







# Zebrafish lab facility, Daulat Ram College

The zebrafish lab facility was set up in October 2015, jointly by the Biochemistry department and Zoology department in collaboration with CSIR-IGIB, Mathura Road, Delhi, and Sansriti Foundation Delhi. The facility has been funded by Star Innovation projects DU, Star College project DBT, Govt. of India, and Innovation projects DU. It was developed with the aim of providing an alternative *in vivo* non –invasive model system for science education, teaching and research.

The state of the art temperature and photo-period controlled facility houses an automated recirculatory fish habitat system, RO water plant, stereo-microscopes, inverted microscope with digital display screen (Evos) and fluorescent microscope (Nikon). Apart from ongoing research projects, the facility provides training in zebrafish model system to faculty and students. Till date ~ 150 faculty members and ~750 students from various science streams from different Delhi University Colleges have participated in various workshops and training programs conducted by the zebrafish lab facility.

Summer internship programs are available to under-graduate and postgraduate students to get hands-on training and research experience.

Zebrafish lab facility also serves as a resource center to provide zebrafish and embryos to other colleges/ departments and research institutes to support teaching and lab practicals.

### **Faculty associated:**

Dr. Padmshree Mudgal, Biochemistry Department (Incharge Zebrafish lab Facility padmshree.m@gmail.com)

Dr. Chitra Bhasin, Zoology Department (Superannuated)

Dr. Radhika Gupta, Biochemistry Department

Dr. Anita Mangla, Biochemistry Department

#### **Collaborations:**

Dr. Adita Joshi, Sansriti Foundation, Delhi

### **Project granted:**

1. Innovation Project DRC (301): Zebra Fish as a Biosensor for assessing Yamuna River water quality in Delhi NCT region.

PI: Dr. Chitra Bhasin, Dr. Padmshree Mudgal, Dr. Anita Mangla, Dr. Madhu

2. Star Innovation Project, Delhi University (2016-19): Evaluating The Effects Of Common Food Additives On Vertebrate Development And Organogenesis Using Zebra Fish As A Model System.

PI: Dr. Padmshree Mudgal, Dr. Chitra Bhasin, Dr. Anita Mangla, Dr. Madhu

## Papers Published:

- 1. Mudgal P., Bhasin C., Joshi A., Gupta R. (2021) Zebrafish: A Versatile Learning Tool. Resonance. Nov 2021: 26(11): 1483-1601
- 2. Gupta R, Ranjan S, Yadav A, Verma B, Malhotra K, Madan M, Chopra O, Jain S, Gupta S, Joshi A, Bhasin C, Mudgal P. (2019) Toxic Effects of Food Colorants Erythrosine and Tartrazine on Zebrafish Embryo Development. Curr Res Nutr Food Sci 2019; 7(3). <a href="https://bit.ly/20FNYLM">https://bit.ly/20FNYLM</a>
- 3. Bhasin C., Mudgal P., et.al. 2016. Zebrafish Early Stage Developmental Defects as Indicator of Site Specific Water Composition of River Yamuna. DU Journal of Undergraduate Research and Innovation. Volume 2, Issue 1pp 40 45, 2016 <a href="http://journals.du.ac.in/ugresearch">http://journals.du.ac.in/ugresearch</a>

#### **Poster Presented:**

- 1. Poster Presented at "The 9th Zebrafish Disease Models Conference". Oct. 4-7, 2016. Singapore:
  - Mudgal P. Zebrafish as a bio-sensor to assess the impact of water pollution on human health.
  - 2. Poster presented at "International Conference on green chemistry in Environmental Sustainability and Chemical Education. (ICGC 2016), 17<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2016.Daulat ram College, Delhi.
    - a. Bhasin C., Mudgal P., et.al. Zebrafish as an early embryonic development model to assess specific and combined health impact of heavy metal contamination in river Yamuna in Delhi NCT region.
    - b. Madhu, Bhasin C., Mudgal P., et.al. Zebrafish, as an early embryonic development model to assess the health impact of pesticide contamination in river Yamuna in Delhi NCT region.
  - 3. Poster presented and abstract printed in proceedings of "International Conference in Frontiers in Biochemistry and Biotechnology: Strategies to combat human diseases", 12th 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 at Shivaji College, University of Delhi.
    - a. Kaur M., Gupta R., Bhasin C., Joshi A. and Mudgal P. Study of anxiolytic activity of Ayurvedic drugs using zebrafish larval stress response assays.

- b. Mall P., Saja A., Kathuria S., Bhasin C., Joshi A., Gupta R., Mudgal P. To assess the impact of food additives on learning and memory in zebrafish model.
- c. Gupta R., Kaur M., Joshi A., Bhasin C. and Mudgal P. Erythrosine induces oxidative damage in zebrafish.
- 3. Poster presented at the "International E-Conference on "Recent Trends in Drug Discovery and Development" organized by the Department of Chemistry, under the aegis of IQAC, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi on 8th and 9th October 2021
  - a. Sachdeva R., Prakash C., Sachdeva G., Gupta K., Joshi N., Shubham, Gupta R., Dr Mudgal P. Stress Response Assays with Zebrafish Larvae to Study Anxiolytic Activity of Ayurvedic drugs.

### Invited talks delivered by Dr. Padmshree Mudgal on Zebrafish model system:

- Webinar talk on 'Zebrafish Model System', Organized by Department of Biochemistry, Shivaji College, University of Delhi (under the aegis of DBT sponsored Star College Scheme) on Zoom Meeting: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83281224416?pwd=dVhscVZGUWFQaXhlZjhNVGZieXlZZZ209">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83281224416?pwd=dVhscVZGUWFQaXhlZjhNVGZieXlZZ209</a> on May 8, 2020 03:00 PM India.
- Gave a webinar talk on 22 Oct,20 at 3.15 pm on 'Zebrafish Model System' at
   https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/41645c4e-f15a-4326-b33f-29e924559315
   for BTech Biotechnology students of Amity Institute of Biotechnology
- 3. Keynote speaker at "2nd Global summit on Food science and nutrition 2021" 29-30th of October in Vienna, Austria, on "Assessment of Health Impact of food colorants using Zebra fish model system"
- 4. Invited talk on "ZEBRAFISH MODEL SYSTEM: A TOOL FOR DRUG DISCOVERY" in International E-Conference on "Recent Trends in Drug Discovery andDevelopment" organized by the Department of Chemistry, under the aegis of IQAC, Maitreyi College, University of Delhi on 8th and 9th October 2021.
- 5. Invited talk on "Zebrafish An ideal Model Organism for Human Research" 21<sup>st</sup> January,2022 at 'Skill Enhancement Workshop on Model Organism and Visual Experimentation -Zebrafish and JoVE', organized by CHRYSALIS, The Biological Science Society, Sri Venkateswara College, University of Delhi.

Awards:

1. Award Certificate for Most Significant research outcomes for Innovation Project (2015-16) DRC: 301: Zebra Fish as a Biosensor for assessing Yamuna river water quality in Delhi NCT region.







### UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

# Certificate of Appreciation

This is to certify that

The Project Investigators and Students of the Project Code DRC 301 titled 'Zebra Fish as a Biosensor for assessing Yamuna river water quality in Delhi NCT region' of Daulat Ram College presented their research work as poster at the 94th Foundation Day of University of Delhi at Viceregal Lodge on May 01, 2016

Principol Investigators : Dr. Chitra Bhasin, Dr. Padmshree Mudgal, Dr. Anita Garg Mangla, Dr.Madhu. Students: Varsha Singh, Sakshi Jain, Kritika Sharma, Kirti Saluja, Yogita Kapoor, Priyanka Kandola, Maniki Mathur, Nikita Khatri, Alisha Arara

REGISTRAR UNIVERSITY OF DELIVI

#### UNIVERSITY OF DELHI



Research Display at the Convocation Ceremony

Certificate of Most Significant Research Outcomes

Project Code: DR 301

Project Title:

Zebra Fish as a Biosensor for assessing Yamuna River Water Quality in Delhi NCT Region

College: Daulat Ram College

Prof. Ajay Kumar Dean Research PS&MS

Prof. M.M. Chaturvedi Dean Research LS Prof. Pami Dua Chairperson, Research Council Dr. Deepika Bhaskar Coordinator, Innovation Desk





































