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Skills

- Coding (C / C++)
- Capacity Building
- Skill Development Programs
- Entrepreneurship Bootcamp
- Hackathons
- Government Relations
- Partnerships and Collaboration

Education Background

Ph.D. in Biotechnology – Integral University (2016)

Thesis: Study on Cyanobacterial Phytochemicals as a Potent Source of **UV Protectants**

M.Tech. in Biotechnology – (2011)

Silver Medalist

B.Tech. in Biotechnology (2008)

Silver Medalist

About Me

Experienced biotechnology professional entrepreneurship ecosystem enabler with experience in research, and innovation. Serving as the Director of Integral Startups Foundation, Centre for Incubation & Entrepreneurship Development (The Incubation Centre of Integral University, recognized by Government of Uttar Pradesh), I have mentored startups, organized high-impact events, and contributed to the growth of early-stage ventures. My academic foundation includes a Ph.D. in Bioengineering, where I cyanobacterial focused on leveraging phytochemicals for UV protection. Additionally, I have a proven track record in pharmaceutical leadership, having served as Director at Wasazra Pharmaceuticals Limited for over six years.

Professional Experience

Director – Integral Startups Foundation, Integral University Presently

- Spearhead the Incubation Centre, Integral Startups Foundation- Centre Incubation Entrepreneurship Development (recognized by Government of Uttar fostering Pradesh). innovation and supporting startups.
- Mentored over 20 startups and led entrepreneurship bootcamps, hackathons, and funding drives.
- Collaborated with government bodies, leaders, academic industry and institutions sustainable to build а entrepreneurial ecosystem.

Director - Wasazra Pharmaceuticals Limited Duration: 6 Years (2017-2023)

Directed strategic planning for company's expansion and growth initiatives.

Key Participations & Organizational Leadership

- Led the Participation of Incubation Centre at the UP International Trade Show at Noida, representing Integral Startups Foundation (September 2024).
- As the Nodal Centre Head, Organized the Innovation, Design & Entrepreneurship Bootcamp (IDE) in collaboration with the Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell (Govt. of India) and AICTE (Govt. of India) -September 2024.
- Co-organized & delivered an expert talk at Global Bio India 2024 Roadshow at Technology Development and Innovation Centre (TDIC), BIRAC BioNest, CSIR-Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (IITR)
- Co-organized the Google I/O Extended Event at Integral University, in association with Google Developer Groups, TensorFlow, and StartInUP.
- Led Expert session at the Nutrition for Health Summit (October 2023) in association with the International Society for Medical Food and Nutrition (KGMU) and Biotech Park (Council of Science & Technology, U.P., Govt. of U.P.)
- co-organized the "School to Startup" event for successful pre-incubation and subsequent launch of 18 startups, each founded by students from Grade 2 to Grade 9 on February 14, 2024
- Organized Young Founders Hunt to develop entrepreneurial skills among school students (July 2023).
- Led the Participation of Incubation Centre at the UP International Trade Show at Noida, representing Integral Startups Foundation (September 2023).

Research Experience

CSIR-National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow

 Conducted Differential Expression Analysis of DXS and DXR genes from Withania somnifera, focusing on key metabolic pathways.

Centre for Transgenic Plant Development, Jamia Hamdard, Delhi

 Led research on Optimization of Genetic Transformation of Artemisia annua using Agrobacterium tumefaciens with the GUS gene to enhance transgenic plant development.

Department of Endocrinology, Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow

 Engaged in endocrinology related research with a focus on gene expression and its implications for medical sciences.

Selected Publications

- "Role of Cyanobacterial Bioactive Compounds in the Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus: An In-Silico Study" Published in Zenodo | DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.13827478
- "Algal Bioactive Compounds in the Cosmeceutical Industry: A Review" Published in *Phycologia* | DOI: 10.2216/15.58.1
- "Alterations in the Antibacterial Potential of Synechococcus spp. PCC 7942 under UV-B Radiations on Skin Pathogens" Published in Saudi Journal of Biological Sciences | Impact Factor: 2.802
- "UV-B Protecting Activity of Synechococcus spp. PCC 7942 by Antioxidative Defense System" Published in International Journal of Pharma and Biosciences | Embase (ELSEVIER)
- "Evaluation of Antioxidant and Antibacterial Potentials of Nigella Sativa L. Suspension Cultures under Elicitation" Published in Biomed Research International | Impact Factor: 2.276

Awards & Honors

- **Silver Medalist** M.Tech. and B.Tech. Biotechnology
- First Prize in Paper Presentation at Bioved Research Institute of Agriculture and Technology, Integral University (2014).
- **Deming Award** for Case Study Presentation at ICSQCC (2001).
- Excellence Awards- 2023 from 'The Lucknow Tribune'
- Certificate of Appreciation at Nutrition for Health Summit 2023 organized under the Council of Science & Technology, Govt. of U.P.

Mentor & Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Enabler

As a mentor, I actively support early-stage startups and entrepreneurs in navigating the challenges of the innovation landscape. My guidance has led to the successful incubation of numerous ventures, contributing to their growth and market scalability.