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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION

Ph D (Apr'04-Mar'07) Tokyo Univ. of Agriculture, Japan

M Sc. (Apr'00-Mar'02) Tokyo Univ. of Agriculture, Japan

Research Student (Jul'99-Mar'00) Tokyo Univ. of Agriculture, Japan

B Tech.(Food) ('91-'96) Tribhuwan University, Nepal

CURRENT STATUS

Associate Professor, in Department of Biotechnology, School of Science, at Kathmandu University, Nepal.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Regional Surveillance Asst.(Oct'96-Oct'97) HMG/WHO Project, Nepal

Volunteer (Jun'98-Sep'98) SKMT, Nepal

Technical Officer (Sep'98-Nov'98) Kathmandu Dairy, Nepal

Technical Officer (Nov'98-Jul'99) Gold Beverages Ltd

Res. Associate (Apr'02-Mar'04)

Tokyo Univ of Agr., Japan

Post Doctoral Fellow (Jul'07-May'08) UBC, Vancouver, Canada

Assistant Professor (Feb '09- May '18) Kathmandu University, Nepal

Scientific Consultant (Oct '10- Jan '13) Everest Biotech Company, UK/Nepal

Post Doctoral Fellow (Jan`13-Jun`13) DKFZ/Univ of Heidelberg, Germany

Trainee (Aug'13-Sept'13) ICGEB, New Delhi

Associate Professor (May '18-till present) Kathmandu University, Nepal

KEY AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Molecular Biology
Energy Research
Medicinal Plant and Cancer Research
Nutritional Biochemistry

GRANTS

- International Foundation of Science, Sweden, To study the anti cancer effect of medicinal Plants of Nepal.
- NORAD, Norway, To study potentiality of using agriculture wastes as source of bioethanol and using it as biofuel, which has Everest Biodiesel Company as its Industry partner.
- ❖ NAST/ADB grant for bioethanol project
- ❖ NARTC grant for medicinal plants research
- UGC Collaborative Research Grant for Medicinal plants and Cancer Research
- ❖ TWAS Grant for Medicinal plants and Cancer Research

AWARDS and HONORS

- Salt Trading stipend during Bachelor's Degree
- Rotary Scholarship during Masters Degree
- Japanese Govt. (Monbukagakusho) Scholarship during PhD degree
- First, Oratory Contest, Dharan Jaycees, Nepal
- 4th at SAARC Quiz contest

PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC SERVICE, TRAININGS

- Reviewer, Journal of Food Science and Technology, Nepal.
- Member, Biotechnology Society of Nepal
- Treasurer, Nepal Food Technology Students Association, 1991-92
- Executive Member, Nepalese Students Association in Japan, 2005-06
- Member, Editorial Board, Journal of Tropical Life Science
- Chief Editor, Nepal Journal of Biotechnology

- Ex Comm Member, Nepal Food Scientists and Technologists Association(NEFOSTA), 2012-2014
- Ex Comm Member, Nepal University Teachers Association(NUTA), 2012-
- Three Weeks Training in Stockholm, Sweden regarding Intellectual Property Rights, Nov-Dec, 2015, organized by WIPO and SIDA.

ORAL and POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- 'Geriatrics and their Nutritional requirements', TU, Nepal, '94
- 'Nutritional Study of Mustard oil', Tokyo Univ. of Ag, Japan, '02
- 'Physiological Study of Mustard Oil', Japan Nutr Society, Japan, '02
- 'Biotechnology: Understanding the molecular mechanism of life', Knowledge transfer seminar, NESAJ, Japan, '05
- ❖ 'Identification and characterization of molecular interactions between Mortalin/mthsp70, Bclxl and Bcl2: significance in p53 function and drug resistance', IUBMB, Japan, '06
- 'Molecular interactions between Mortalin/mthsp70 and Bclxl and its functional significance', Lorne Cancer Conference, Australia, '07
- ❖ 'Identification and characterization of molecular interactions between Mortalin/mthsp70, Bclxl and Bcl2: significance in p53 function and drug resistance' Tokyo Univ. of Agr., '07
- ❖ 'An introduction to Cancer Biology and functional significance of Mortalin-Bclxl interaction'., JUSAN, Nepal, '07
- ❖ 'Study of molecular interactions between Mortalin/mthsp70, Bclxl and Bcl2: significance in p53 function', INBS, Nepal '07
- ❖ 'Induction of senescence in human cancer cells by management of Mortalin', 2nd Intl Workshop on cell regulations in division and arrest, Japan, '07
- ❖ 'To study the potentiality of agriculture wastes as a source of xylose/glucose for production of ethanol and using it as biofuel' Renewable Energy Conference, Nepal 2012
- 'Merger of medicinal plants and biotechnology based research: Pathway analysis and molecular mechanism of action, Natural Product Conference, Nepal, 2012
- 'Characterization and functional significance of cellulolytic and xylanolytic microbes isolated from Nepal and their utilization for lignocellulosic biomass degradation' Renewable Energy Conference, Nepal 2013
- Invited Speaker, 'Characterization and functional significance of cellulolytic and xylanolytic microbes isolated from Nepal and their utilization for lignocellulosic biomass degradation' Bio-Energy Conference, Nepal 2014.

- ❖ Invited Speaker, 'International Seminar on Natural Resource Utilization' India, 2015
- ❖ Invited Speaker 'Intellectual Property Rights', BSN, Nepal, 2016
- ❖ Invited Speaker, South Asian Biotechnology Conference, Colombo, Sri Lanka, 2018
- Keynote Speaker, St Xavier College, Nepal, Oct 2018

PUBLICATIONS

Anil Singh Basnyat , Abhimanyu Jha , R Pathak , **Bhupal Govinda Shrestha**, 'Study of Serum Lactate Dehydrogenase and Gamma-Glutamyl Transpeptidase in Breast Cancer Patients Receiving Chemotherapy'. The journal of tropical life science. , April 2017, Vol. 7, No. 1, pp. 128 – 132

Jaya Bhandari, Pratiksha Thapa, Prasodhan Niraula, Nita Thapa, Nikita Shrestha, **Bhupal Govinda Shrestha** Study of Phytochemical, Anti-Microbial, Anti-Oxidant, Phytotoxic, and Immunomodulatory Activity Properties of Bauhinia variegata The journal of tropical life science, January 2017; Vol. 7, No. 1, pp. 83 – 90,

Anil Singh Basnyat, Prabin Gyawali, Abimanyu Jha, Prabodh Risal, **Bhupal Govinda Shrestha**. Evaluation of Serum Lipids and C-peptide among Breast Cancer Patients with Chemotherapy. ACCLM 2016;2(2):8-14

Jaya Bhandari, BushraTaj Muhammad, Pratiksha Thapa and **Bhupal Govinda Shrestha**. Study of phytochemical, anti-microbial, anti-oxidant, and anti-cancer properties of Allium wallichii. BMC Complementary and Alternative Medicine (2017) 17:102.

Nita Thapa, Pratiksha Thapa, Jay Bhandari, Prasodhan Niraula, Nikita Shrestha, **Bhupal G. Shrestha**. Study of Phytochemical, Antioxidant and Antimicrobial Activity of Artocarpus heterophyllus. Nepal Journal of Biotechnology, Dec. 2016; Vol.4;No.1:47-53

Gunjan Bisht, Sagar Rayamajhi, Biplab KC, Siddhi Nath Paudel, Deepak Karna and **Bhupal G. Shrestha**; Synthesis, Characterization, and Study of In Vitro Cytotoxicity of ZnO-Fe3O4 Magnetic Composite Nanoparticles in Human Breast Cancer Cell Line (MDA-MB-231) and Mouse Fibroblast (NIH 3T3); Nanoscale Research Letters; 2016; 11;537

Sanjaya Ghimire, Shakep Bhattarai, Sailesh Phuyal, Bimal Thapa and **Bhupal Govinda Shrestha**, Isolation and Screening of Potential Cellulolytic and Xylanolytic Bacteria from Soil Sample for Degradation of Lignocellulosic Biomass. Nov 2016, J of Tropical Life Science; 6(3); 165-169

Biplab KC, Siddhi Nath Paudel, Sagar Rayamajhi, Deepak Karna, Sandeep Adhikari, **Bhupal G. Shrestha** and Gunjan Bisht, Enhanced preferential cytotoxicity through surface modification: synthesis, characterization and comparative in vitro evaluation of TritonX-100 modified and unmodified zinc oxide nanoparticles in human breast cancer cell line (MDA-MB-231), Apr 2016; *Chemistry Central Journal*, 10:16

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Pritish Shrestha, Sandeep Adhikari, Basanta Lamichhane, **Bhupal Govinda Shrestha**; Phytochemical Screening of the Medicinal Plants of Nepal; IOSR Journal of Environmental Science, Toxicology and Food Technology 1(6):11-17

S Adhikari, B Lamichhane, P Shrestha, **BG Shrestha**, 'Effect of Invitro Zinc (II) supplementation on Normal and Cancer Cell lines.' International Journal for Research in Applied Science & Engineering Technology; Volume 3 Issue I, Jan 2015

Jaya Bhandari, Asma Naqvi, Prasodhan Niraula, Pratikshya Thapa, Nita Thapa, Nikita Shrestha and **Bhupal Govinda Shrestha** 'Phytochemical screening, antioxidant assay of juniperus recurva and study of it's in vitro cytotoxicity against breast cancer cell lines' International Journal of Pharma and Bio Sciences; 6(3): 1134 – 1145, July 2015

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Srishti Rana, Sandeep Adhikari, Tika Bahadur Karki, **Bhupal Govinda Shrestha**, 'To study the potentiality of agriculture wastes as a source of xylose/glucose for production of ethanol and using it as biofuel'. Rentech Symposium, Compendium, Vol 1, Mar 2012

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Mycobacterium tuberculosis and SLC11A1 Polymorphism in Multidrug Resistance Tuberculosis in Central Development Region of Nepal Using PCR-RFLP Technique: A Pilot Study', Nepal Journal of Biotechnology, Jan 2011, Vol. 1, No 1:14-21.

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CC Deocaris, N Widodo, K Kaur, K Yamazaki, **BG Shrestha**,SC Kaul and R Wadhwa, 'Mortalin sentisizes Human cancer cells to MKT-077 induced senescence', **Cancer Lett** 2007 Jul 18;252(2):259-269.

N Widodo,K Kaur, **BG Shrestha**,A Nagpal, Y Takagi, SC Kaul and R Wadhwa, 'Selective Killing of Cancer Cells by Leaf Extract of Ashwagandha: Identification of a Tumor Inhibitory Factor and The First Molecular Insights to its Effect', **Clinical Cancer Res**, 2007 Apr1;13(7):2298-306.

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BG Shrestha, T lijima, Y Yamamoto, A Maekawa and T Tadokoro, 'Evaluation of mustard seed and oil varieties as grown or used in Nepal', **J for the Integrated Study of Dietary Habits**, Vol. 14, No. 2, 2003