# **Curriculum Vitae**

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## **Educational Qualifications**

Degree	Institution	Year	Details
Ph.D (Botany)	Department of Botany, University of Delhi	2020	Submitted in 2019*
M.Phil (Botany)	Department of Botany, University of Delhi	2013	First division with distinction (University Topper)
MSc. (Botany)	Ramjas College, University of Delhi	2012	First division
BSc. (Botany)	Ramjas College, University of Delhi	2010	First division

\*Title : Comparative Proteome & Lipid Profiling of Indian Seabuckthorn (Himalayan Shrub) for understanding its Stress tolerance & Nanobiotechnological Applications.

#### **Career Profile**

- Assistant Professor (Guest faculty) in Gargi College, Department of Botany, University of Delhi from April till July, 2023.
- Assistant Professor (Ad-hoc) in Kirori Mal College, Department of Botany, University of Delhi from September, 2021 till November, 2022.
- Assistant Professor (Guest faculty) in Gargi College, Department of Botany, University of Delhi from January till April, 2021.
- Assistant Professor (Guest faculty) in Kalindi College, Department of Botany, University of Delhi from September, 2019 till 2020.
- Technical assistant for M.Phil & Ph.D Botany coursework elective paper "Nano-Biotechnology" during academic session 2018-19 in Department of Botany, University of Delhi.
- **Technical assistant** for M.Sc. Botany elective paper "Genomics & <u>Proteomics</u>" in Semester-IV for the academic session **2014-2018** in Department of Botany, University of Delhi.
- UGC-BSR Fellowship (JRF & SRF) for Meritorious Students in Science (2013-2018) at Department of Botany, University of Delhi.

### **Research Interests/Specialization**

Proteomics, High-altitude Stress Biology, Seabuckthorn, Antifreeze proteins, Nanobiotechnology

## **Academic/Administrative Assignments**

- Reviewer, for Journal "3 Biotech" (Springer, Impact factor 2.893).
- Preparation of an advance Skill Enhancement Course (SEC, 2 credits) module "Green Nanobiotechnology - Concepts, Applications & Tools" for NEP framework, 2023 Department of Botany, Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi.

- Resource person in Hands-on-training workshop and Delivered a lecture on "Sustainable applications of Green Nanoparticles" for Certificate course on Nanobiotechnology organised by Kirori Mal College & Institute of Nanomedical Sciences, University of Delhi, 24-25 Sep, 2022.
- Co-guided students for short term research projects along with TIC, Department of Botany, Kirori Mal College under the DBT Star College Scheme.
- External examiner and Member, Board of Paper setters for "Analytical Techniques in Plant sciences (OC)" for undergraduate CBCS examination in May, 2022.
- Member, Admission committee for B.Sc.(H) Botany for academic sessions 2021-22 & 2022-23.
- Co-PI of the (in-house) project "Green Synthesis of Gold Nanoparticles from Rhoeo discolor leaf & study of its Antimicrobial Properties" at Kalindi College, University of Delhi in 2019-20.

#### Academic Assignments in Department of Botany, University of Delhi

- Resource person/Technical support in a series of hands-on-training Plant Proteomics
  Workshops organized every alternate year by Prof. Renu Deswal for training the faculty, research
  scholars and students at Department of Botany, University of Delhi 2021, 2019, 2017, 2015, 2013.
- Technical assistant for M.Sc. Botany elective paper "Genomics & Proteomics" in Semester-III
   (2014-2018) and M.Phil & Ph.D Botany coursework elective paper "Nano-Biotechnology"
   (2018-19) in Department of Botany, University of Delhi.
- President, Delhi University Botanical Society (2014-15), Department of Botany, University of Delhi.
- Organized various Departmental Workshops, Seminars, Plenary Lectures, Annual Reports under the banner of Delhi University Botanical society (DUBS), Department of Botany, University of Delhi.

## **Awards & Distinctions**

- 2021, Worldwide First Seabuckthorn Proteome Data Repository of all the three different Indian Seabuckthorn species growing in the Himalayas. Dataset submitted in PRIDE 'PRoteomics IDEntifications database' with accession number "PXD023184".
- 2021, Best Poster award in International conference on "Nanomedicine: Biomolecules for Human Health (NBHH), Small molecules - Big opportunities" at Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi, India (Received cash prize of Rs. 3000/-).
- 2020, Research article (Sharma & Deswal, 58-76; Vol 68, January issue) published & highlighted on Cover Page of Physiologia Plantarum (Impact Factor: 5.081).
- 2019, Best poster award in 3<sup>rd</sup> National Conference of Seabuckthorn Association of India on "Seabuckthorn: Translating Research into Sustainable Utilization & Conservation" held at Department of Botany, University of Delhi (*Received cash prize of Rs. 5000/-*).
- 2017, Best poster award in 86<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Society of Biological Chemists on "Emerging Discoveries in Health & Agricultural Sciences" held at J.N.U, Delhi, India.
- 2017, Best poster award at National Conference on Seabuckthorn on "Improving Health & Sustainable Development of Himalayan Region", organised by Seabuckthorn Association of India, Defence Institute of High Altitude Research (DIHAR) & Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council held at DIHAR, Leh-Ladakh, India. (Received cash prize of Rs. 5000/-).

- 2016, Research article highlighted on Cover page of Journal of Proteins & Proteomics.
- 2014-15, President, Delhi University Botanical Society, Department of Botany, University of Delhi.
- 2013-18, University Grants Commission Fellowship for Meritorious students in Science.
- 2013, Second Best Article award for article "Plant Proteomics" published in "The Botanica". (Received cash prize of Rs. 1000/-).
- 2012-13, University topper in M.Phil (Botany), Department of Botany, University of Delhi.
- 2004-05, Prefect, Army School, Mathura Cantonment.

## Subjects taught

- Plant Anatomy & Embryology (Life Sciences II Year)
- Anatomy of Angiosperms (B.Sc. (H) Botany II Year)
- Analytical Techniques in Plant Sciences (B.Sc. (H) Botany & Life Sciences III Year)

## **Publications (Peer-Reviewed/Indexed Journals)**

Total Impact factor : 38.5
Total Publications : 19
Indexed/Peer Reviewed Journals : 14
Popular Articles : 03
Book Chapter/Proceedings : 02

### **Publications (Peer-Reviewed)**

- 1. Kailash Yadav, Meenakshi Arya, Satya Prakash, **Bhavana Sharma Jha**, Preet, Abhishek, Renu Deswal **(2023)**. *Brassica juncea* leaf cuticle contains xylomannan showing antifreeze activity on leaf surface. **Planta**, **258:44** (IF **4.3**). *Novel finding of AFPs in Brassica*.
- 2. **Bhavana Sharma Jha\***, Kriti Bharadwaj\*, & Renu Kathpalia **(2022)**. Biofabrication & optimization of silver nanoparticles synthesized using *Campsis* sp. to explore their antimicrobial properties. **Indian Journal of Biochemistry & Biophysics**, 59(12), 1176-83. (**IF** 1.476).
- 3. Renu Kathpalia, Vibha G. Checker, **Bhavana Sharma** & Tanushri Saxena **(2022)**. Environmental Nanotechnological applications for Sustainable agriculture. **Indian Journal of Biochemistry & Biophysics**, 59(11), 1056-68. ISSN No: 0975-0959. **(IF 1.476)**.
- 4. **Bhavana Sharma** & Renu Deswal **(2021)**. Comparative proteome profiling of seabuckthorn leaves from low altitude 'Sikkim' & high altitude 'Himachal Pradesh' Himalayan regions hints towards differential stress adaptive responses. **Journal of Proteins & Proteomics, ISSN No**: **2524-4663**. **(Springer, IF 1.0\*\*)**. **Worldwide First Seabuckthorn Proteome Repository**.
- Bhavana Sharma\*, Vibha G. Checker\* & Renu Kathpalia (2021). Nanoinformatics A newly introduced tool for research. Indian Journal of Biochemistry & Biophysics, 59(4), 431-439. ISSN No: 0975-0959. (IF 1.918).
- 6. Bhavana Sharma & Renu Deswal (2020). Ecophysiolomic analysis of stress tolerant Himalayan shrub Hipppophae rhamnoides shows multifactorial acclimation strategies induced by diverse environmental conditions. Physiologia Plantarum, 68, 58-76. ISSN No: 1399-3054. (IF 6.4). # Research highlighted on the cover page of Physiologia Plantarum.

- 7. **Bhavana Sharma**, Shaweta Arora, Dinabandhu Sahoo & Renu Deswal **(2019)**. Comparative fatty acid profiling of Indian seabuckthorn showed altitudinal gradient species-specific variations. **Physiology & Molecular Biology of Plants**, 26, 1-9. ISSN: 0974-0430. (IF- 3.4).
- Bhavana Sharma, Ravi Gupta, Dinabandhu Sahoo & Renu Deswal (2019). Purification of dual-functioning chitinases with hydrolytic & antifreeze activities from *H. rhamnoides* seedlings.
   Journal of Proteins & Proteomics, 10, 69-81. ISSN No: 2524-4663. (Springer, IF – 1.0\*\*).
- Bhavana Sharma & Renu Deswal (2018). Single pot synthesised nanoparticles using H. rhamnoides leaf & berry extract showed shape dependent differential nanobiotechnological application. Artificial Cell, Nanomedicine, & Biotechnology, 1-11. ISSN No: 1399-3054. (IF 6.343). First report on seabuckthorn gold nanoparticles.
- 10. Bhavana Sharma, Dinabandhu Sahoo & Renu Deswal (2018). Single-step purification & characterization of antifreeze proteins from leaf & berry of a freeze tolerant shrub Hippophae. rhamnoides. Journal of Separation Science, 41, 3938-3945. ISSN: 1615-9314. (IF 3.614). Worldwide, first report on AFPs purified from naturally growing seabuckthorn.
- 11. Amarjeet Singh, Bhavana Sharma & Renu Deswal (2018). Green silver nanoparticles from novel Brassicaceae cultivars with enhanced antimicrobial potential than earlier reported Brassicaceae members. Journal of Trace Elements in Medicine & Biology, 47, 1-11. ISSN: 1878-3252. (IF 3.995).
- 12. Bhavana Sharma, Ravi Gupta & Renu Deswal (2016). Mining the Protein Repertoire of a Himalayan Shrub, H. rhamnoides for Antifreeze Proteins. Journal of Proteins & Proteomics, 7(2) 199-211. ISSN: 2524-4663. # Research highlighted on the cover page of the Journal.
- 13. **Bhavana Sharma** & Renu Deswal **(2014).** Antifreeze Proteins In Plants: An Overview with an Insight into the Detection Techniques including Nanobiotechnology. **Journal of Proteins & Proteomics**, 5(2), 89-107. ISSN: 2524-4663.
- **14.** Renu Deswal, Jasmeet K. Abat, Ankita Sehrawat, Ravi Gupta, Prakriti Kashyap, Shruti Sharma, **Bhavana Sharma**, Antonio Masi, et al. **(2014).** First Systematic Plant Proteomics Workshop in Botany Department, University of Delhi: Transferring Proteomics Knowledge to Next-generation Researchers & Students. **Proteomics**, 14, 1581-1586. ISSN: 1615-9861. (IF 5.393).

### **Popular Articles**

- Renu Deswal, Meenakshi Arya, Satya P. Chaurasia, Yaiphabi C. Sougrakpam, Priyanka Babuta, Bhavana Sharma & Shruti Sharma. (2017). Proteome Analysis of *Brassica*, Seabuckthorn & *Dioscorea* for Dissecting Abiotic (Cold/Freezing) Stress Signalling & Redox Modulation. The Botanica, 67, 24-33. ISSN No: 0045-2629.
- 2. Bhavana Sharma, Ravi Gupta & Renu Deswal (2013). Seabuckthorn-The New Age Sanjeevani. The Botanica, 62-63, 44-52. ISSN No: 0045-2629.
- 3. Bhavana Sharma & Renu Deswal (2013). Plant Proteomics: Driving Force Behind Current Plant Sciences. The Botanica, 62-63, 160-172. ISSN No: 0045-2629. Awarded second best article award with cash prize of Rs. 1000/-

### **Book chapter/Proceedings**

1. Ravi Gupta, **Bhavana Sharma** & Renu Deswal **(2022).** Deciphering the Proteomes & Nanotechnological Potential of an Unexplored Plant Seabuckthorn. In: Sharma, P.C. (editor) **The** 

- **Seabuckthorn Genome.** Compendium of Plant Genomes. Springer. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-11276-8\_7, Print **ISBN** 978-3-031-11275-1, **(Springer, 24 November 2022)**.
- Bhavana Sharma & Renu Deswal (2015). Extraction & Purification of Antifreeze proteins in Hippophae rhamnoides seedling berry & leaf. In Proceedings of Conference of International Seabuckthorn Association on "Seabuckthorn: Emerging technologies for Health protection & Environmental conservation" 289-298, 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2015, New Delhi. ISBN No: 8170355205.
  - \* Equal contribution, \*\* Projected Impact factor

## **Resource person**

- 2022, Resource person in hands-on-training workshop and delivered a lecture on "Sustainable Application of Green Nanoparticles" for Second Certificate course on Nanobiotechnology organised by Kirori Mal College & Institute of Nanomedical Sciences, University of Delhi, 24-25 Sep, 2022.
- 2021, Rapporteur in Conference entitled "Next Generation Proteome Mining & Nano-Bio interactions for Better Plant Health" organized by Delhi University Botanical Society (DUBS), University of Delhi, India on 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2021.
- 2021, Resource person in hands-on-training 5<sup>th</sup> Plant Proteomics Workshop held in Department of Botany, University of Delhi from 23-27<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2021.
- 2019, Technical resource person in hands-on-training 4<sup>th</sup> Plant Proteomics Workshop & National Conference "Seabuckthorn Genomics, Proteomics & Metabolomics" held in Department of Botany, University of Delhi from 23-27 Dec, 2019.
- 2019, Technical support in 3<sup>rd</sup> National Conference on Seabuckthorn: Translating research into sustainable utilization & conservation held in Department of Botany, University of Delhi.
- 2017, Technical support in hands-on-training 3<sup>rd</sup> Plant Proteomics Workshop "Mining Proteome & Deep Proteome (sub-cellular proteome analysis, depletion, affinity enrichment) & beyond" held at Department of Botany, University of Delhi, India from 19<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> Dec, 2017.
- **2015, Technical support** in hands-on-training **2**<sup>nd</sup> **Plant Proteomics Workshop** held at Department of Botany, University of Delhi, India from 21<sup>st</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2015.
- 2013, Technical support in hands-on-training 1<sup>st</sup> Plant Proteomics Workshop held at Department of Botany, University of Delhi, India from 26<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2013.
- 2014, Organizing Secretary, National Seminar on "Does climate change influence food & energy security?" for Prof. B.M. Johri Rolling Shield Competition.
- Compilation of Manual for the Plant Proteomics Workshop held in 2019, 2017, 2015 & 2013

### Presentation/Participation in Webinars/Conferences/Workshops/FDPs

- 2022, Attended an online **National Conference** on "Sustainable Environmental Perspectives: A Journey From Ancient India" organized by Environmental Studies & Department of Botany, Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College, University of Delhi, in association with Paryavaran Gatividhi Sharanya (NGO), Delhi, India on 5-6<sup>th</sup> June, 2022.
- 2022, Attended an online International Conference cum Workshop on "Proteomics, Transcriptomics & Molecular Drug Design: An Integrated Omics Approach" organized by

- Department of Botany, Zakir Husain College in collaboration with Plant Molecular Genetics Laboratory, Department of Botany, University of Delhi, India on 25-27<sup>th</sup> May, 2022.
- 2022, Attended a one week (online) Interdisciplinary Faculty Development Programme on "Environmental Sustainability & Climate Change" organized by Miranda House College in collaboration with Mahatma Hansraj Faculty Development Centre Hansraj College, University of Delhi, Delhi, India on 4-8 April, 2022.
- 2021, Participated & presented a Poster entitled "Nanoinformatics a newly introduced tool for research" in two day International conference on "Nanomedicine: Biomolecules for Human Health (NBHH), Small molecules Big opportunities" at Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi, India on 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2021. (Best Poster with cash prize of Rs. 3000/-).
- 2021, Attended two day International conference via virtual platform on "Post Conference Workshop on Nanomedicine (NBHH), Small molecules - Big opportunities" held at Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi, India on 29<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2021.
- 2021, Participated & presented a Poster entitled "Environmental Nanotechnology Perks, Challenges & Risk Assesment" in Virtual Conference entitled "Next Generation Proteome Mining & Nano-Biointeractions for Better Plant Health" organized by Delhi University Botanical Society, University of Delhi, India on 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2021.
- **2021**, Attended a Virtual **Conference** entitled "Next Generation Proteome Mining & Nano-Biointeractions for Better Plant Health" organized by Delhi University Botanical Society, University of Delhi, India on 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> Dec, 2021.
- 2019, Awarded First prize for best poster presentation "Exploring Seabuckthorn, a Himalayan Wonder plant for Understanding its Stress tolerance & Nanobiotechnological Applications" at 3<sup>rd</sup> National Conference of Seabuckthorn Association of India on "Seabuckthorn: Translating Research into Sustainable Utilization & Conservation" held at Department of Botany, University of Delhi, India. (Received cash prize of Rs. 5000/-).
- 2019, Presented poster on "Hippophae rhamnoides a cold tolerant wonder plant with potential biomedical & nanotechnological applications" at 6<sup>th</sup> World congress in Nanomedical sciences
   & chemistry Biology interface 2019 & Conference on Science & technology for the future of mankind held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 2018, Oral presentation on "Nanobiotechnological potential of the underutilized Himalayan shrub, Seabuckthorn for decontaminating fabric dye containing waste water" at 2<sup>nd</sup> National Conference of SAI on "Seabuckthorn-Technologies for Cultivation Environmental Conservation Nutrition Security & Health Protection" by Seabuckthorn Association of India held at Shimla.
- 2017, Awarded First prize for best poster presentation "Exploring Nanobiotechnological Potential of Novel North Indian varieties of Brassicaceae for Antimicrobial Potential at National Conference "Emerging Discoveries in Health & Agricultural Sciences" held at J.N.U, Delhi, India.
- 2017, Awarded First prize for best poster presentation "Exploring the Nanobiotechnological Potential of a Himalayan Shrub, Hippophae rhamnoides for Azo Dyes Decontamination" in National Conference on Seabuckthorn for Improving Health & Sustainable Development of Himalayan Region, held at DIHAR, Leh-Ladakh, India. (Received cash prize of Rs. 5000/-)
- 2016, Participated in International Conference on Functional & Interaction Proteomics & 8<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of Proteomics Society, India organised by NIPGR, Delhi, India.

- 2015, Oral presentation on "Proteome mining of Hippophae rhamnoides, a cold tolerant Himalayan shrub to identify & purify dual functioning antifreeze proteins & their potential application for cryopreservation of Red Blood Cells" at Proteomics Society of India (PSI) Delhi chapter meeting in AlIMS, Delhi, India.
- 2015, Oral presentation on "Extraction & Purification of dual functioning Antifreeze proteins in Hippophae rhamnoides Seedling, Berry & Leaf" in "7<sup>th</sup> Conference of International Seabuckthorn Association" held at NASC Complex, New Delhi, India.
- 2015, Presented poster on "Purification of Chitinases, the Dual Functioning Proteins from *H. rhamnoides* a Cold Tolerant Himalayan Shrub & Testing its Efficacy for Cryopreservation of RBCs" in "International Conference on Low Temperature Science & Biotechnological Advances" at NASC Complex, New Delhi, India.
- 2014, Presented poster on "Proteome analysis suggest a cross talk between nitric oxide & cold stress signalling" in "International Symposium on Plant Signalling & Behaviour" held at Department of Botany, University of Delhi, Delhi, India.
- **2014**, Participated in **International Proteomics Workshop** in 6<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of Proteomics Society, India held at Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), **Mumbai**, India.

## **Professional Societies Memberships**

- Member, Society of Biological Sciences (SBSC), India
- Member, Seabuckthorn Association of India (SAI).
- Lifetime Member, Delhi University Botanical Society (DUBS), Department of Botany, D.U, India.

## **Social Responsibilities**

I believe in the saying "Practice what we preach". We have some ethical responsibility, a constitutional opportunity & a moral obligation to help others.

To contribute towards this responsibility, I am also associated with various social activities like:

- 1. Funding education of an economically weak girl child.
- 2. Feeding, fostering & taking care of stray cows, birds & animals. Thus, inspiring others be kind/compassionate towards other human beings, nature and animals.
- 3. Guidance & Financial support to the needy.
- 4. Encouraging students to inculcate a sense of intellectual curiosity, right scientific temperament along with social responsibility & high moral values which would enable them to become a better version of themselves and serve the Society & Nation in holistic manner.

I dream of a world where everyone is living in harmony with each other and nature.