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Academic Profile

2017 **Ph.D.** (Biological Science), Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (CSIR-IIIM), Jammu, India.

2010 **Bachelor of Technology** (Biotechnology), Amity University, Noida, UP, India.

Research Interests

- TB Biology, TB drug discovery and development.
- Technologies evaluating PK/PD of TB drugs.
- TB diagnostics.
- Anti-bacterial drug discovery
- Novel drug targets.
- Elucidation of mode of action of novel leads.
- Exploring and combating bacterial resistance mechanisms.
- Bacterial pathogenesis.
- Bio-safety and bio-containment.
- Computational biology

Professional Experience

Dec, 2022-till date Assistant Professor, Dept. of Biomedical Engg., Central University of Rajasthan, Ajmer (RJ), India.

March, 2022-Nov, 2022 Scientist, Foundation for Neglected Diseases Research (FNDR), Bengaluru, India.

• (2022) EMBO travel grant to present poster at NACARB-2022, Ascona, Switzerland.

Jan, 2019-Jan, 2022 Young Scientist, School of Biotechnology, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.

- (2019) Young Scientist research grant awarded by Dept. of Health Research (DHR), Govt. of India (*Research grant worth RupeesForty Six Lakhs*).
- Published research articles in reputed journals as corresponding author and senior co-author.
- Active collaborations with medicinal chemists, pharmacologists and computational biologists on various projects.

Feb, 2018-Jan, 2019	Scientist, Bio-safety Support Unit, Regional Center for Biotechnology,
	Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Faridabad, India.

June, 2017-Feb, 2018 MHRD Post-doctoral Fellow, Indian Institute Technology (IIT) Roorkee, India.

July, 2016-May, 2017 Adhoc Faculty, Biotechnology Dept., National Institute of Technology (NIT) Raipur, India.

Aug, 2010- Mar, 2016 Ph.D. Scholar (Biological Science) at Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (CSIR), Jammu, India.

- Published research articles in leading journals as primary author and co-author.
- Active participator at institutional outreach activities.
- (2016) **Poster Prize** on World TB day symposium organized by AIIMS Delhi.
- (2015) **Best Patent Award** by CSIR-IIIM (Govt. of India).
- (2013) Award for "Significant contribution in Discovery Biology for novel scaffolds in Tuberculosis" by CSIR-IIIM (Govt. of India)
- (2010) Qualified the country-wide research fellowship exam GATE.

No. of Publications, Book Chapters, Books edited Patents & Sponsored projects

Total publications	25	
International journals	24	
National journals	1	
Book Chapters (International publishers)	5	
Book	1	
National patents	1	
International patents	10	
Sponsored project	1 (Funded by DHR (Govt. of India), Rs.46 lakhs /-)	

Selected Publications

- Shikimate kinase inhibitors: An update on promising strategy against *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*. Vikrant Singh Rajput*,
 Ashish Runthala and Inshad Ali Khan* (*Corresponding Author) (2023). Current Drug Targets.
 Doi:10.2174/1389450124666230208102645.
- Cis elements: Added Boost to the Directed Evolution of Plant Genes. Harisomayajula Valli, Devi Prasanna, **Vikrant Singh Rajput***, Wuriti Sridhar, N.N.V. Sakuntala, Padamata Harshavardhan and Ashish Runthala* (*Corresponding Author) (2022). Journal of Pure and Applied Microbioogy. https://doi.org/10.22207/JPAM.16.1.68
- 1,3,4-oxadiazole conjugates of capsaicin as potent NorA efflux pump inhibitors of *Staphylococcus aureus*. Fatima Naaz, Arif Khan, Anchala Kumari, Intzar Ali, Faiz Ahmad, Bilal Ahmad Lone, Nazia Ahmad, Inshad Ali Khan, **Vikrant Singh Rajput***, Abhinav Grover*, Syed Shaf^{i*(*}Corresponding Author) (2021). Bioorganic Chemistry. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bioorg.2021.105031.
- An Immunoinformatics approach to design a multi-epitope vaccine against *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* exploiting secreted exosome proteins. Rahul Sharma[#], **Vikrant Singh Rajput**[#], Salma Jamal, Abhinav Grover and Sonam Grover (**#Authors contributed equally**) (2021). Nature Scientific Reports. https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-021-93266-w.
- Engineering a Multi Epitope Vaccine Against SARS-CoV-2 By Exploiting Its Non Structural and Structural Proteins. Vikrant Singh Rajput^{*} Ritika Sharma, Anchala Kumari^{*} Nidhi Vyas, Vijay Prajapati and Abhinav Grover (2021). Journal of Biomolecular and Structure Dynamics. https://doi.org/10.1080/07391102.2021.1924265
- Dual inhibition of SARS-CoV-2 Spike and Main Protease through a repurposed drug, Rutin. Anchala Kumari, Vikrant Singh Rajput, Priya Nagpal, Himanshi Kukrety, Sonam Grover and Abhinav Grover (2020). (#Authors contributed equally). Journal of Biomolecular and Structure Dynamics. https://doi.org/10.1080/07391102.2020.1864476
- Benzothiazole derivative as a novel *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* shikimate kinase inhibitor: Identification and elucidation of its allosteric mode of inhibition. Rukmankesh Mehra#, **Vikrant S. Rajput**#, Monica Gupta, Reena Chib, Priya Wazir. Amit Kumar, Inshad A. Khan and Amit Nargotra (2016) (**#Authors contributed equally**). Journal of Chemical Information and Modeling. DOI: 10.1021/acs.jcim.6b00056.
- Screening of anti tubercular library identifies novel Shikimate kinase inhibitors of *M. tuberculosis*. **Vikrant Singh Rajput**, Rukmankesh Mehra, Sanjay Kumar, Amit Nargotra and Inshad A. Khan (2015). Applied Microbiology and Biotechnology. DOI: 10.1007/500253-015-7268-8.

Patents

Singh, P. P.; Munagala, G.; Kushalava, R.Y.; Khan, I. A.; Kalia, N. P.; **Singh**, **V. R**.; Nargotra, A.; Sawant, S. D.; Vishwakarma, Ram Aarey. 6-Nitro-2,3-dihydroimidazo[2,1-b] oxazoles and a process for the preparation thereof.

S. no.	Country/Organization	Legal Staus	Patent No.
1.	India		IN2954DE2013A
2.	European Union		EP3052503A1
3.	European Union	ACTIVE	EP3052503B1
4.	Spain		ES2707362T3
5.	Japan	Filling Date:	JP2016531898A
6.	Japan	2013-10-04	JP6532457B2
7.	Taiwan		TW201514184A
8	Taiwan	Anticipated expiration:	TWI654192B
9.	USA	2034-03-31	US2016244462A1
10.	USA	-	US9845330B2
11.	WIPO		WO2015049693A

Books Edited

Drugs and a Methodological Compendium (2023) (Springer) ISBN-13:978-9811979514, Ed. Vikrant Singh Rajput & Ashish Runthala.

I hereby affirm that all the details mentioned here are correct to the best of my knowledge.