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Research/Teaching Experience in various institutions

Research

- **Post-Doctoral Fellow**: Aug. 1970 - July 1971 at Dept. of Zoology, Delhi Univ., (with Prof. S.R.V. Rao)
- **Overseas Scholar of the Royal Exhibition of 1851**: Nov. 1972 to Oct. 1973 at Inst. of Animal Genetics, Edinburgh
- **Research Associate**: Nov. 1973at the Dept. of Genetics, Univ. of Nijmegen, Holland
- **Fulbright Senior Scholar**: Nov. 1984 to May 1985at Dept. of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry, Univ. of California, Irvine and at Dept. of Biology, MIT, Cambridge, USA

Teaching

- **Lecturer**, Dept. of Zoology, Burdwan University, Burdwan from Aug. 1971 to May 1972
- **Lecturer**, Dept. of Zoology, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad: from June 1972-Sept. 1976
- **Reader** in Zoology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi: from 24 Sept. 1976 to 23 Sept 1984
- **Professor in Zoology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi: from 24 Sept. 1984 to 30.06.2011**; **Dean, Faculty of Science (Nov.20, 2008 – July 27, 2010); Professor Emeritus and DAE-Raja Ramanna Fellow (July 1, 2011-Oct 4, 2015)**
- Course Coordinator, M. Sc. in Molecular & Human Genetics (1999-2004), and Founder Head, Department of Molecular & Human Genetics (Sept. 2004 to Sept. 2007); Dean, Faculty of Science (2009-2010)

Professional Recognition:

1. **DST-Ramanna Fellowship (2009-2012)**
2. **DAE-Raja Ramanna Fellowship (2011-2015)**
3. **B.H.U. Professor Emeritus (2011-2015)**
4. **INSA Senior Scientist (13 Jan. 2016-12 Jan 2019)**
5. **BHU Distinguished Professor (Dec 2016 – lifetime)**
6. **NASI Senior Scientist (13 Jan 2019 – continuing)**
7. **SERB Distinguished Fellow (to commence from April 1, 2019)**

RESEARCH AWARDS & HONORS

1. **Overseas Scholarship of the Royal Commission for the Exhibition of 1851**, U.K. (1972)
2. **Medal for Young Scientists** by Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi (1975)
3. **Career Award in Sciences** by University Grants Commission, New Delhi (1979)
4. **Fulbright Senior Scholar Grant,** USA (1984-85)
5. **National Lecturer**: University Grants Commission (1989)

6. **S.S. Bhatnagar Prize** (CSIR) in Biological Sciences (1989)
7. **Fellow, Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi** (1993)
8. **Fellow, Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore** (1994)
9. **J.C. Bose Award in Life Sciences** by University Grants Commission, New Delhi (1998)
10. **Sunder Lal Hora Medal, Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi** (2002)
11. **IXth Professor S. P. Ray-Chaudhuri 75th Birthday Endowment Lecture, Indian Society of Cell Biology** (2002).
12. **Fellow, National Science Academy of India, Allahabad** (2002)
13. **Prof. C.N.R. Rao Education Foundation Award for Excellence in Research at Banaras Hindu University** (2007)
14. **18th G. J. S. Rao Memorial Award Lecture 2011** (Dept. Biochemistry, IISc, Bangalore)
15. **Indian National Science Academy (New Delhi) Jawaharlal Nehru Birth Centenary Visiting Fellowship 2009**
16. **DST-Ramanna Fellowship (2009-2012)**
17. **DAE-Raja Ramanna Fellowship (2011-2015)**
18. **B.H.U. Professor Emeritus (2011-2015)**
19. **INSA Senior Scientist (2016-)**
20. **BHU Distinguished Professor (2017-)**
21. **B. C. Guha Memorial Lecture, Dept. Biotechnology, Calcutta University, Kolkata (2017)**
22. **Cell Stress Society International (USA) Senior Fellow (2017)**
23. **INSA Aryabhata Medal 2018**
24. **IASTAM Zandu International (Indian Citizen) Award for Excellence in Field of Ayurveda and/or Natural Products Award 2019**
25. **NASI Senior Scientist Platinum Jubilee Fellowship**
26. **SERB Distinguished Fellowship 2019**

Fellowships:

1. **Fellow, Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi** (1993)
2. **Fellow, Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore** (1994)
3. **Fellow, National Academy of Sciences India, Allahabad** (2002)
4. **Senior Fellow, Cell Stress Society International, USA** (2017)

Membership of Learned Bodies/Committees

1. Indian Society of Cell Biology: Life Member; Executive Committee Member (1977-78); Joint Secretary (1979-80); Vice-President (1987-88); Secretary (1989-90), President (1997-98)
2. Environmental Mutagen Society of India (Life Member)
3. Genetics Society of America: Emeritus Member
4. RNA Society (USA): Member
5. Indian Society of Developmental Biology (Life Member, Governing Board, 1996-2000; President, 2000-02)
6. Prof. S. P. Ray-Chaudhuri Memorial Foundation (Secretary, 1995-06), President (2007-2012)
7. Cell Stress Society International (Life Member)
8. Society for Scientific Values, India (Life Member)
9. Indian National Science Academy: Member of the Executive Council of (2004-05) and Vice-President (2006), Convenor, INSA Panel for Science Education (2006-10, 2016-) Member, INSA Panel for Science Education (2014-); Vice-President (2014-17)

Membership of Editorial Boards of Research Journals

1. Current Science (1996-2001)

2. Journal of Biosciences, Indian Academy of Sciences & Springer (1999-)
3. RNA Biology, Taylor & Francis (2003-)
4. Cell Stress & Chaperones, Springer(2006-)
5. Annals of Neurosciences, Karger (2009-)
6. Editor-in-Chief, Proceedings of the Indian National Science Academy (2014-2018)
7. Annals of Ayurvedic Medicine (2017-)
8. Integrative Medicine Case Reports (2020-)

Research projects

Completed: 33 specific research projects funded by various national agencies like UGC, INSA, DAE, CSIR, DST, DBT.

In progress: 2 SERB Distinguished Fellowship project and DBT project

Ph. D. Supervision

32 students received Ph.D.; **4 currently working**

Current research interests

1. Regulation and functions of the noncoding *hsrω* gene of *Drosophila*
2. Fly models of neurodegenerative disorders
3. Stress proteins in *Drosophila* tumours
4. *Drosophila* as a model system for studying cellular mode of action of Ayurvedic formulations

Research & other publications

1. Original Research papers: 134
2. Scientific Reviews: 21
3. Full length papers in Symposia proceedings: 13
4. Chapters in books: 11
5. Edited books/special issues of journals: 6
6. Other publications, mostly dealing with issues related to research/education/science policy etc: 96

Major Research Contributions

1. Cellular autonomy of hyperactivity of the single X-chromosome in male *Drosophila*, its faster replication and lack of spreading of hyperactivity to an autosomal segment inserted in the male X chromosome in *Drosophila* (1967-70)
2. Active transcription in heterochromatin in *Drosophila* (1973-74)
3. Temporal order of replication of independent replication units in polytene chromosomes in different cell types of *Drosophila* (1970-90)
4. Existence of two classes of active replicons in *Drosophila* and synchronous firing of all euchromatic replicons in early S-phase in *Drosophila* (1984-1986)
5. Pioneering and life-time contributions to biology of the *hsrω* long-non-coding RNA gene in *Drosophila* (reviewed in 1989, 2003, 2011, 2017)
   a) Identification, evolutionary conservation and characterization of **the first non-coding RNA gene (*hsrω*) in *Drosophila*** (1982)
   b) Prediction that non-coding RNAs have important roles in cellular regulatory networks (1989, 1996, 1999)
   c) Identification of *hsrω* non-coding RNA based Omega speckles in *Drosophila* (2000)
   d) The lncRNAs in defined speckles and RNA bodies may have a role in sequestering RNA-processing proteins (1999-continuing)
   e) The *hsrω* lncRNAs impact i) induced apoptosis, (2009), ii) expanded polyQ-based neurodegeneration (2006-2011), iii) JNK- and Ras –signaling (1996, 2016-continuing), iv) RNA pol II and hnRNP dynamics in normal and stressed cells (1999; 2012, 2015- continuing)

f) Over- or down-regulation of *hsrω* transcripts affect expression of many GO pathways in common as well as unique manner (2016-continuing)
g) Over-expression of Hsp83 in near absence of *hsrω* lncRNAs results in phenocopy of *l(2)gl* mutant and synthetic lethality in *Drosophila* (2018)

6. The hnRNPA1 homolog Hrp36 in *Drosophila* essential for maintenance of telomere integrity (2015-16)

7. Established *Drosophila* as a model for cell and molecular biological studies on actions of standard Ayurvedic formulation and demonstrated that Amalaki Rasayana and Rasa-Sindoor (a mercury and sulfur based formulation) show biological effects in fly model similar to those indicated in classical Ayurvedic texts and both of them are very effective in suppressing neurodegeneration associated with Huntington's or Alzheimer's diseases – also confirmed in mouse model (2011-2019)

PUBLICATIONS (other than Research: mostly related to Education and policy issues in Science)

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2. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1982) *Drosophila* test system for monitoring genetic damages. In "Evaluation Of Mutagenic And Carcinogenic Potential Of Environmental Agents", ed. R. K. Bhattacharya (Environmental Mutagen Society of India): 20-26
3. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1982) Sister chromatid exchange. IN "Evaluation Of Mutagenic And Carcinogenic Potential Of Environmental Agents", ed. R. K. Bhattacharya (Environmental Mutagen Society of India): 80-84
4. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1987) Drosophila: a practical approach (ed. D.B. Roberts, IRL Press, UK). Ind. J. Exp. Biol. (Book-review) **25**: 352
5. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1989) *Drosophila* - more useful than ever before for experimental studies. Cell Biol. Newsletter **11**: 16-25
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7. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1991) Biology teaching and habitat destruction. Current Science (Correspondence) **61**: 431
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9. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1991) New approaches in *Drosophila* Genetics. Cent. Commem. Publ. -1991 (Holkar Science College, Indore): 97-106
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11. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1991) Heat shock response in *Drosophila*. Biology Education (Spl. issue on *Drosophila*, Guest ed. **S. C. Lakhotia**) **8**: 194-204
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17. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1994) Palaeobiochemistry - Bridging the gap between the living and dead. Current Science **66**: 815-816
18. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1995) Text book of Molecular Biology (K. Sivarama Sastry, G. Padmanaban & C. Subramanyam, Macmillan India Ltd., New Delhi, 1995). Current Science (Book Review) **69**: 627-628
19. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1995) The 1995 Nobel Prize in Medicine: a tribute to the power of formal Genetics. Current Science (News) **69**: 797-801
20. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1997) Cell and Molecular Biology (S. C. Rastogi, New Age International (P) Ltd., New Delhi, 1996). Current Science (Book Review) **72**:524-525
21. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1997) Deteriorating higher education: heavy price for inaction. Current Science (Correspondence) **73**:6
22. P. Csermely & **S. C. Lakhotia** (1998) Molecular biology of stress responses in India. (Meeting Review). Cell Stress & Chaperones **3**: 1-5
23. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1998) Annual Review of Cell and Molecular Biology 1998. Current Science (Book Review) **75**: 515-517
24. **S. C. Lakhotia** (1999) Stress-inducible cellular responses (U. Fiege et. al., 1996). J. Cytol. Genet. (Book Review) **32**: 159-160
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26. **S. C. Lakhotia** (2000) Biology today: urgent need for an integrative approach. Current Science (Meeting Report) **78**: 1414-1415
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30. **S. C. Lakhotia** (2002) Biology in India. Biology International **43**: 32-36
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42. **S. C. Lakhotia** and N. Mukunda (2009) Science Academies recommend a broad-based education in sciences: Summary of presentations and open discussions. In: Restructuring Post-School Science Teaching Programmes. A brief Report published jointly by Indian National Science Academy, Indian Academy of Sciences, National Academy of Sciences India
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