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Education:

Ph. D. (Ag.) (1993-1997) : Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi.
M. Sc. (Ag.) (1991-1993) : Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.
B. Sc. (Ag.) (1987-1991) : Visva Bharati University, Shantiniketan.

Career:

1996 – 2000 : Scientist, Indian Institute of Vegetable Research (IIVR), Varanasi
2000 – 2004 : Scientist (Sr. Scale), IIVR, Varanasi
2004 – 2010 : Associate Professor, School of Life Sciences, JNU.
2010 – present : Professor, School of Life Sciences, JNU

Area of Research:

Host – geminivirus Interactions and Transgenic resistance

Research in our laboratory targets interfering with interactions between plant viruses and their hosts, and developing strategies to control begomoviruses in plants. We are currently studying steps of begomovirus pathogenesis especially how they enter into nucleus, replicate, and spread throughout the host. We also aim to identify host genes that respond to infection. Virus replication is regulated by both host-encoded and virus-encoded genes. Similarly, host cells and tissues respond to infection by viruses and either permit or restrict replication and local and long distance spread of infection. We are engaged in studies to determine how successful pathogenesis is established and developing strategies to control infection and to restrict replication and spread of begomoviruses.

Begomoviruses (Family – *Geminiviridae*) are very destructive viruses that can cause devastating diseases in vegetable crops in all tropical regions of the world including India. Their genomes are composed of circular single stranded DNA and they are subjected to gene silencing through an unknown mechanism. We have demonstrated that virulent pseudo-recombination and synergism between two distinct species of begomoviruses, *Tomato leaf curl New Delhi virus* (ToLCNDV) and *Tomato leaf curl Gujarat virus* (ToLCGV-Var) that infect tomato, reasons of which are being investigated in our laboratory. RNAi mediated host recovery and role of suppressors of PTGS in modulating symptom expression is also being analyzed in our laboratory. We have developed virus induced gene silencing (VIGS) vector to identify role of plant gene(s) responsible for either facilitating or restricting viral pathogenesis.

We have been assessing molecular diversity among begomoviruses causing leaf curl disease in chillies, tomato, radish and okra. We have identified several distinct new species of begomoviruses causing severe leaf curl diseases on tomato (*Tomato leaf curl Gujarat virus* & *Tomato leaf curl Patna virus*) on radish (*Radish leaf curl virus*) and also on chillies. We discovered a wealth of infectious viral molecules from chilli and we also found that together they do cause a disease; we are now attempting to determine the molecular mechanisms behind this phenomenon. For the first time, we have demonstrated Koch's postulates using clone DNA molecules associated with chilli leaf curl disease by agroinoculation. Recently, we have initiated to develop strategies for generating broad spectrum resistance against begomoviruses.

Research Projects

A) On-going

1. Structural and Functional analyses of Geminiviral Rep Proteins; by **DST-Indo-South Africa Grant**, 2017-2020.
2. Development of transgenic chilli cv. Bhut Jolokia for resistance to virus causing leaf curl disease using RNA interference; **DBT - North-East Twinning**; 2016-2019.
3. Engineering TOLCV resistance in tomato by single and multiple artificial micro RNAs and synthetic rep gene containing multiple to resist VIGS, **SOL genome Network Project (DBT)**, 2014-2017.
4. Plant virology in the new era-breeding for resistance (BRAVE) **Erasmus Mundus - European Commission**, 2014-2018.

B) Completed

1. Role of Beta C1 in tomato leaf curl virus pathogenesis **DST**, 2014-2017.
2. Identification of host factors conferring natural resistance in paprika, red chillies against chilli leaf curl virus, **DBT**, 2014-2017.
3. Engineering broad-spectrum resistance against geminiviruses, **DBT**, 2011-2016.
4. Development of transgenic resistance against Bhindi yellow mosaic virus, **DBT**, 2012-2015
5. Engineering broad-spectrum resistance against plant-infecting RNA viruses, **CSIR**, 2011-2014.
6. Engineering RNAi mediated broad-spectrum resistance against chilli begomoviruses, **DBT**, 2010-2013.
7. Molecular identification and characterization of virulence factors of Tomato leaf curl virus, **DST**, 2010-2014.

8. Molecular diversity of begomoviruses causing chilli leaf curl disease and identification of virulence factors, **DBT**, 2007-2010.
9. Strategy for engineering broad-spectrum resistance against geminiviruses, **DBT**, 2006-2010.
10. Molecular determinants of supervirulent pseudo-recombinant and asymmetric synergism between genomic components of two distinct begomoviruses causing severe leaf curl disease on tomato in India, **International Foundation for Science**, Sweden, 2006-2008.
11. Molecular Characterization of Pepper leaf curl geminivirus and development of DNA based screening technique, **DST**, 2005-2008.
12. Development of transgenic cowpea (*Vigna unguiculata* L.) resistant to cowpea golden mosaic geminivirus, **ICAR** (2000 - 2003).
13. Molecular characterization of whitefly transmitted geminiviruses infecting selected leguminous vegetable crops, **ICAR Lal Bahadur Shastri young Scientist award project** (2001 – 2004).
14. Detection and differentiation of whitefly transmitted geminiviruses infecting cucurbitaceous vegetable crops, **ICAR**, 2003-2004.

Awards and Honour

1. **Fellow** of the **National Academy of Sciences India** during 2017.
2. **Fellow** of the **National Academy of Agricultural Sciences** during 2017.
3. **Jawahar Lal Nehru Award** by the **Indian Council of Agricultural Research** (ICAR), New Delhi during 1998.
4. **Pran Vohra Award** by the **Indian Science Congress Association** during 2005.
5. **Lal Bahadur Shastri Award** by the **Indian Council of Agricultural Research** (ICAR), New Delhi during 2000.
6. **Dr. Harbhajan Singh Award** by the **Indian Society of Vegetable Science** during 2005.
7. **BOYSCAST** fellowship by the **Department of Science and Technology**, Govt. of India, during 2002 for one year Advanced training in Molecular Virology at Danforth Plant Science Center, Saint Louis, Missouri, USA.
8. **Best student of** Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI), New Delhi during 1997.
9. **IARI Merit medal** during 1997.
10. **Best student of Plant Pathology**, IARI, New Delhi during 1997.
11. **Best student of Plant Pathology of** Banaras Hindu University (BHU), Varanasi 1993.
12. **Best Oral paper presentation** in the National Symposium on Biotechnology of Plant Protection held at BHU, Varanasi 2000.
13. **IARI Senior Research Fellowship** by the IARI, New Delhi 1993.

Membership

1. Life member of Indian Science Congress Association.
2. Life member of Indian Phytopathological Society.
3. Life member of Indian Virological Society.

Patents

S Chakraborty and N Kushwaha. (2015) "Chilli leaf curl virus based vector for tissue specific (phloem) silencing of endogenous gene and over-expression of foreign genes". Patent application no. 2620/DEL/2015 filed on 24.08.2015.

S Chakraborty, N Kushwaha and AK Singh. (2015) "Development of Chilli leaf curl virus DNA-based chimeric construct for efficient plant inoculation". Patent application no. 2619/DEL/2015 filed on 24.08.2015.

Publications

A) Published papers

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- 6) Ved Prakash, D Ragunathan and **S Chakraborty***. (2017) Overview of plant RNA dependent RNA polymerases in antiviral defense and gene silencing. *Indian Journal of Plant Physiology* **22**(4):493–505.
- 7) R Vinoth Kumar, H C Prasanna, Achuit K Singh, D Ragunathan, G K Garg and **S Chakraborty*** (2016) Molecular genetic analysis and evolution of begomoviruses and betasatellites causing yellow mosaic disease of bhendi. *Virus Genes* (DOI:10.1007/s11262-016-1414-y)

- 8) A K Singh, N K Kushwaha, **S Chakraborty*** (2016) Synergistic interaction among begomoviruses leads to the suppression of host defense-related gene expression and breakdown of resistance in chilli. *Applied Microbiology and Biotechnology* 100:4035–4049
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- 14) N Kushwaha, PP Sahu, M Prasad, **S Chakraborty***. (2015) Chilli leaf curl virus infection highlights the differential expression of genes involved in protein homeostasis and defense in resistant chilli plants. *Applied Microbiology and Biotechnology* 99(11): 4757-4770.
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4. S Basu, VK Sharma, D Bhattacharyya, **S Chakraborty**. 2014. An Overview of Antiviral RNA Silencing in Plant: Biogenesis, Host-Virus Interaction and Potential Applications In Approaches to Plant Stress and their Management (R. K Gaur and P Sharma, Eds.) pp317-337, (Springer).
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6. **Chakraborty S**. 2008. Tomato Leaf Curl Viruses from India. Encyclopedia of Virology, 5 vols. (B.W.J. Mahy and M.H.V. Van Regenmortel, Editors), pp. 124-133 Oxford: Elsevier.
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