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Academic Qualifications

College/ University	Degree
Bethune College, University of Calcutta	B. Sc. in Chemistry Honours
University of Calcutta	M. Sc. in Biochemistry
University of Calcutta	Ph.D. in Biochemistry (Indian Institute of Chemical Biology)

Honours/Awards

Fellow, West Bengal Academy of Science and Technology

Research and Teaching experiences

- Post-Doctoral Fellow: Department of Genetics, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, USA, 1998- 2000.
- Senior Research Associate, Human Genetics Unit, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata, 2001- 2005
- Visiting Scientist, Department of Genetics, Stanford University, Stanford, CA, USA, 2002
- Lecturer, Dept. of Biochemistry, University of Calcutta, April, 2005
- Assistant Professor (stage II & III): April 2009- March 2017
- Associate Professor, April 2017-March 2020
- Professor, April 2020 till date

Research Interest

To decipher the biological processes perturbed in complex diseases namely human malaria, prostate cancer and type 2 diabetes mellitus towards developing improved strategies for the prediction of disease risk and prevention of diseases progression.

Research guidance

Number of scholars awarded Ph.D. degrees: 9

Number of researchers pursuing Ph.D. degree: 5
Number of researchers submitted Ph.D. Thesis: 3

Present Lab-members

Stuti Roy
Supti Das
Nahid Sultana
Akshssmita Somani

Past Lab members

- Dr. Madhumita Basu, Senior Scientist, Target Discovery, MelliCell Inc, Greater Boston
- Dr. Shyamalina Halder, Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry, Asutosh College, Kolkata
- Dr. Ankur Bhowal, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, Vidyasagar College, Kolkata
- Dr. Subhadipa Majumder, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, Surendranath College and Vidyasagar, Kolkata
- Dr. Sanmitra Basu, Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology, Adamas University
- Dr. Teesta Naskar, Post-doctoral researcher at Ichhan School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- Dr. Pramita Chowdhury, State Consultant- Population Control, National Health Mission
- Sharmistha Ghoshal
- Deepmala Karmakar, IIT Roorkee
- Bijurica Chakraborty, MRU, NRS Medical College and Hospital

Completed Projects

- Role of SNPs in the central MHC complex in malarial pathogenesis, DST-SERC- FastTrack, 2005-2008
- Investigating the role of TLR in P. falciparum mediated malarial Pathogenesis, UGC Major Project , 2008-2011
- Impact of Polymorphisms in the Candidate Genes on Prostate Cancer: Association & Functional Analyses, CSIR Extramural Research Grant Scheme, 2009-2012
- Studying the molecular basis of progression of prostate cancer, UGC/UPE/Modern Biology, 2009-2012
- Investigating Molecular Principles of Species Interaction in Rhizosphere: Biochemical and Metagenomic Approaches, UGC/UPE/Modern Biology, 2007-2012 (as one of the co- PIs)
- Elucidation of rhizosphere-effect of Arachis hypogea: Its potential biotechnological application, DBT, Govt. of West Bengal, 2011-2014
- Inventorisation & Database Creation on Microbial Diversity along Indian Coast,
- National Centre for sustainable Coastal Management, Ministry of Environmentand Forests (as a Co-PI), 2013-2015
- Towards understanding host gene regulation in p. falciparum malaria: An insight into disease pathogenesis, SERB, DST, New Delhi, 2014-2017
- Decoding the Genetics of Host-Parasite Interaction during Erythrocyte Invasion by Plasmodium falciparum in Human malaria, University Grants Commission, New Delhi, 2015-2018
- Elucidating the function of TGFb pathway in prostate carcinogenesis, Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi, 2015-2018

- Plasmodium falciparum Merozoite Invasion of Human Erythrocytes: Genetic Perspective & Implications, Dept. of Biotechnology, Govt. of WB, 2015-2019
- Received UPE-II project for the year 2017-2020 as a Project Coordinator and Group Leader: Bacterial Colonization (Thrust area: Plant-microbe interaction)

Ongoing Projects

- A collaborative project with Dr. Basudev Lahiri, IIT-KGP entitled "FTIR based ultrafast detection and quantitative assessment of COVID-19 viral load" funded by Science & Engineering Research Board (SERB) Govt. of India
- UGC-DAE CSR funded research project entitled Delineating precise stages of breast cancer progression using molecular fingerprints generated by infrared vibrational spectroscopy

Publications

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2. Plasmodium vivax vaccine candidate MSP1 displays conserved B-cell epitope despite high genetic diversity. Ghoshal S, Datta Kanjilal S, Sengupta S. *Infect Genet Evol.* 2021 May 20;93:104929. doi: 10.1016/j.meegid.2021.104929
3. Molecular crosstalk between CUEDC2 and ERα influences the clinical outcome by regulating mitosis in breast cancer. Roy S, Saha S, Dhar D, Chakraborty P, Singha Roy K, Mukherjee C, Gupta A, Bhattacharyya S, Roy A, Sengupta S, Roychoudhury S, Nath S. *Cancer Gene Ther.* 2022 Nov;29(11):1697-1706. doi: 10.1038/s41417-022-00494-x. Epub 2022 Jun 22. PMID: 35732909
4. Adiponectin Genetic Variant and Expression Coupled with Lipid Peroxidation Reveal New Signatures in Diabetic Dyslipidemia. Ghoshal K, Chatterjee T, Chowdhury S, Sengupta S, Bhattacharyya M. *Biochem Genet.* 2021 Jun;59(3):781-798. doi: 10.1007/s10528-021-10030-5. Epub 2021 Feb 4. PMID: 33543406
5. Road Map to Understanding SARS-CoV-2 Clinico-Immunopathology and COVID-19 Disease Severity. Karmakar D, Lahiri B, Ranjan P, Chatterjee J, Lahiri P, Sengupta S. *Pathogens.* 2020 Dec 23;10(1):5. doi: 10.3390/pathogens10010005. PMID: 33374748
6. Population genetic and biophysical evidences reveal that purifying selection shapes the genetic landscape of Plasmodium falciparum RH ligands in Chhattisgarh and West Bengal, India. Ghoshal S, Chowdhury P, Ray S, Mitra M, Kanjilal SD, Sen S, Dasgupta AK, Sengupta S. *Malar J.* 2020 Oct 14;19(1):367. doi: 10.1186/s12936-020-03433-z. PMID: 33054833
7. Non-synonymous amino acid alterations in PfEBA-175 modulate the merozoite ligand's ability to interact with host's Glycophorin A receptor. Chowdhury P, Ray S, Chakraborty A, Sen S, Dasgupta AK, Sengupta S. *Infect Genet Evol.* 2020 Nov;85:104418. doi: 10.1016/j.meegid.2020.104418. Epub 2020 Jun 16. PMID: 32561295
8. E2F5 promotes prostate cancer cell migration and invasion through regulation of TFPI2, MMP-2 and MMP-9. Karmakar D, Maity J, Mondal P, Shyam Chowdhury P, Sikdar N, Karmakar P, Das C, Sengupta S. *Carcinogenesis.* 2020 Dec 31;41(12):1767-1780. doi: 10.1093/carcin/bgaa043. PMID: 32386317

9. Evaluating the role of hsa-miR-200c in reversing the epithelial to mesenchymal transition in prostate cancer. Basu S, Chaudhary A, Chowdhury P, Karmakar D, Basu K, Karmakar D, Chatterjee J, Sengupta S. *Gene*. 2020 Mar 10;730:144264. doi: 10.1016/j.gene.2019.144264. Epub 2019 Nov 21. PMID: 31759982
10. Diversity analysis of MSP1 identifies conserved epitope organization in block 2 amidst high sequence variability in Indian Plasmodium falciparum isolates. Ghoshal S, Gajendra P, Datta Kanjilal S, Mitra M, Sengupta S. *Malar J*. 2018 Dec 3;17(1):447. doi: 10.1186/s12936-018-2592-y.
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12. Endorsing cellular competitiveness in aberrant epithelium of oral submucous fibrosis progression: neighbourhood analysis of immunohistochemical attributes. Anura A, Kazi A, Pal M, Paul RR, Sengupta S, Chatterjee J. *Histochem Cell Biol*. 2018 Jul;150(1):61-75
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24. Impact of plant development on the rhizobacterial population of *Arachis hypogaea*: a multifactorial analysis. *J Basic Microbiol*. 2015 Jul;55(7):922-8.

25. Pyrosequencing based profiling of the bacterial community in the Chilika Lake, the largest lagoon of India. *Genom Data*. 2015 Apr 11;4:112-4.
26. Plant-microbe Cross-talk in the Rhizosphere: Insight and Biotechnological Potential. *Open Microbiol J*. 2015 Mar 31;9:1-7.
27. Oxidative stress-related genes in type 2 diabetes: association analysis and their clinical impact. *Biochem Genet*. 2015 Jun;53(4-6):93-119.
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Book chapters

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Membership in scientific bodies

- President, Calcutta-Chapter Human Genetics (CC-HuGe)
- Member of Executive Committee, Kolkata Chapter of Society of Biological Chemists (India) (SBC)
- Member of Indian Society of Human Genetics (ISHG)
- Member of Science Congress Association
- Member of Indian Association of Cancer Research (IACR)