

Curriculum Vitae

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Educational Qualification:-

- I have done Ph.D. entitled “**Oxazolidine based nsP3 Protease of CHIKV Inhibitor: Designing, Virtual Screening, Docking and Molecular Dynamics Simulations**” on February 2021, at Department of Chemistry, University of Delhi, New Delhi India 110007 under the supervision of **Prof. Prashant Singh**.
- I have published more than 28 research articles in reputed journals with more than 90 impact factor and 430 citations.
- MD simulations was done at SCFBio, IIT Delhi in the research group of **Prof. B. Jayaram**.
- M. Sc. in **Applied Chemistry** from Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedker University, (A Central University) Lucknow, U.P. India in 2013.
- B. Sc. in **Chemistry & Botany** from University of Lucknow, U.P. India in 2011.

Achievements:-

- First position** in oral presentation in the International conference “*Recent trends in drug discovery and development*” department of Chemistry (Under the aegis of IQAC) Maitreyi College, University of Delhi, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi on October 8-9, 2021
- Junior Research Fellow (January, 2016 – December, 2017):** Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR), New Delhi, India.
- Senior Research Fellow (January 01, 2018 – August 09, 2020):** Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR), New Delhi, India.
- Qualified** Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE) February 2016.
- Qualified** Council of Scientific & Industrial Research – Junior Research Fellow (CSIR-JRF) in June 2016 conduct by CSIR, New Delhi, India.

✚ **Qualified** Council of Scientific & Industrial Research – Junior Research Fellow (CSIR-JRF) June 2015 conduct by CSIR, New Delhi, India.

✚ **Qualified** Council of Scientific & Industrial Research – National Eligibility Test (CSIR-NET Lectureship) December 2013 conduct by CSIR, New Delhi, India.

Research and Professional Experience:-

✚ Working as Assistant Professor in Maitreyi College, University of Delhi at undergraduate level from 24 November, 2020 to till now.

✚ Worked as Assistant Professor in Lady Irwin College, University of Delhi at undergraduate level from 10 August, 2020 to 23 November, 2020.

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I have also worked on the inhibition of nsP3 and nsP2 of CHIKV along with COVID-19.

International Publications:-

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- simulations to find promising candidates against the Mpro of nCoV to combat the COVID-19: A systematic review in *Journal of Infection and Public Health*, **2022**, 15, 1326-1349. (**Impact Factor:** 7.7)
5. Meena, M. K.; **Kumar, D.**; Kumari, K.; Kaushik, N. K.; Kumar, R. V.; Bahadur, I.; Vodwal, L.; Singh, P. Promising inhibitors of nsp2 of CHIKV using molecular docking and temperature-dependent molecular dynamics simulations in *Journal of Biomolecular Structure and Dynamics*. **2022**, 40 (13), 5827-5835. (**Impact Factor:** 5.235)
 6. Kumar, A.; **Kumar, D.**; Kumar, R.; Singh, P.; Chandra, R.; Kumari, K. DFT and docking studies of designed conjugates of noscapines & repurposing drugs: promising inhibitors of main protease of SARS-CoV-2 and falcipain-2 in *Journal of Biomolecular Structure and Dynamics*. **2022**, 40 (6), 2600-2620. (**Impact Factor:** 5.235)
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 9. **Kumar, D.**; Meena, M. K.; Kumar, V.; Singh, P.; Bahadur, I., Impact of Temperature on Structural Changes in nsp2 and nsp3 of CHIKV: Molecular Dynamics Simulations in *Research Square*. **2022**, 1-9.
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27. **Kumar, D.**; Athar, M.; Kumar, G. Methods And Techniques Employed For Sugar Decolorization in *LAP LAMBERT Academic Publishing*. **2014**, *1*, 1-72.

Posters presented in national/ international conference:-

1. Poster presentation in “National Seminar on Biophysika” at centre for interdisciplinary research in basic science **Jamia Millia Islamia**, New Delhi 110025 on 20 November **2018**.
2. Poster presentation in “Recent Frontiers in Chemistry” in Department of Chemistry, **HNB Garhwal University**, Srinagar Garhwal – 246174 Uttarakand from 27th-28th April, **2018**.

3. Poster presentation in “National Science Day 2018” jointly organized by Indian Academy of Science, Bangalore and Indian National Science Academy, Delhi on 28 February **2018** at **INSA Delhi, India**.
4. Poster presentation in “Recent Advance in Chemical Sciences towards Green & Sustainable Environment: Swachh Bharat Abhiyan Perspective” at **Aditi Mahavidyalaya** (University of Delhi) New Delhi on 10-11 Oct. **2017**.
5. Poster presentation in “National Seminar on Biophysics” at centre for interdisciplinary research in basic science **Jamia Millia Islamia**, New Delhi 110025 on **2017**.
6. Presented poster in “Trends in Research and Innovations in Life Sciences” at Undergraduate level” in **DDU College University of Delhi** on 30 March **2016**.

Conference/ workshop attended:-

1. Oral presentation in “sustainable Future for Humanity: The new learning curve” at Maitreyi College, University of Delhi, New Delhi, India on 24 February, 2021.
2. Participated in one week national online FDP jointly organized by Guru Angad Dev Teaching Learning Centre, SGTB Khalsa College, University of Delhi, New Delhi, India from 15 December, 2021 to 21 December, 2021.
3. Participated in “Bioinformatics Workshop on Genomics, Proteomics, Drug Design and High Performance Computing” at the Supercomputing Facility for Bioinformatics and Computing Biology, **Indian Institute of Technology Delhi** from 8th-14th December **2018**.
4. Participated in “One day workshop on Molecular Modelling” at **Atma Ram Sanatan Dharma College**, University of Delhi, New Delhi on 3rd January **2018**.
5. Participated in “One day workshop on Archival Sciences” at **Atma Ram Sanatan Dharma College**, University of Delhi, New Delhi on 20 February **2018**.
6. Participated in “One day Faculty Development Programme” at **Atma Ram Sanatan Dharma College**, University of Delhi, New Delhi on 10th November **2017**.

Research Summary

Aim of my Ph.D. work was based on *in silico* drug design to find potential drug molecules against nsP3 protease of CHIKV. From the literature survey, it is found that derivatives of Oxazolidine are a class of synthetic antibacterial agents that act as a protein synthesis inhibitor on the ribosomal 50S subunit of the bacteria.

Oxazolidine-2, 4-dione is a compound that forms the core structure of a variety anticonvulsant drugs including Dimethadione, Ethadione, Paramethadione and Trimethadione. Oxazolidines were used for the treatment and prevention of metabolic bone disorders, anticancer agent against A549 (lung) and DU145 (prostate) cancer cells, muscle relaxants, good activity against bacterial as well viral infections. For this study, I have designed five chemical reactions using oxazolidine-2, 4-dione (OZD) to get potential molecules based on literature knowledge. In general, these chemical reactions are based on one-pot multicomponent reactions (MCRs) that rearrangement of atoms of the reactants to create a novel molecules i.e., product molecules.

Designing: Drug libraries are collections of molecules which are designed to interact with target proteins, frequently a family of nsP3 protease of CHIKV. The designing process starts with the selection of a suitable scaffold, to which recognition of substituents or side chains. It was designed 200 molecules of each scheme by changing the alkyl groups (R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 & R_5) in benzaldehyde moiety to get 1000 drug molecules that are derivatives of product molecules through ChemDraw and Marvin Sketch.

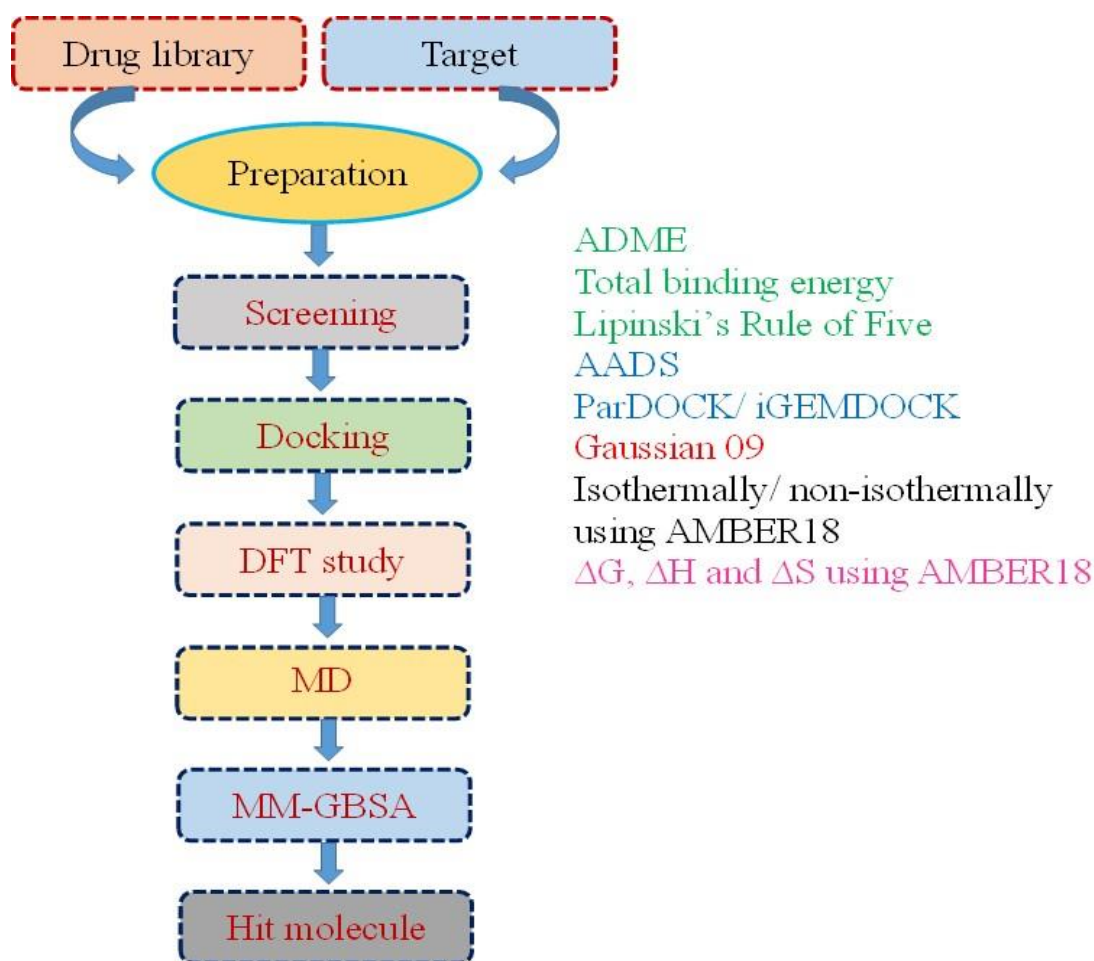
Screening: Virtual screening protocol were used to screen drug libraries from designed databases. It depends on the aim and on the knowledge availability for nsP3 protease of CHIKV target protein. Further, the activity of top hit drug molecules were studied through ADME properties.

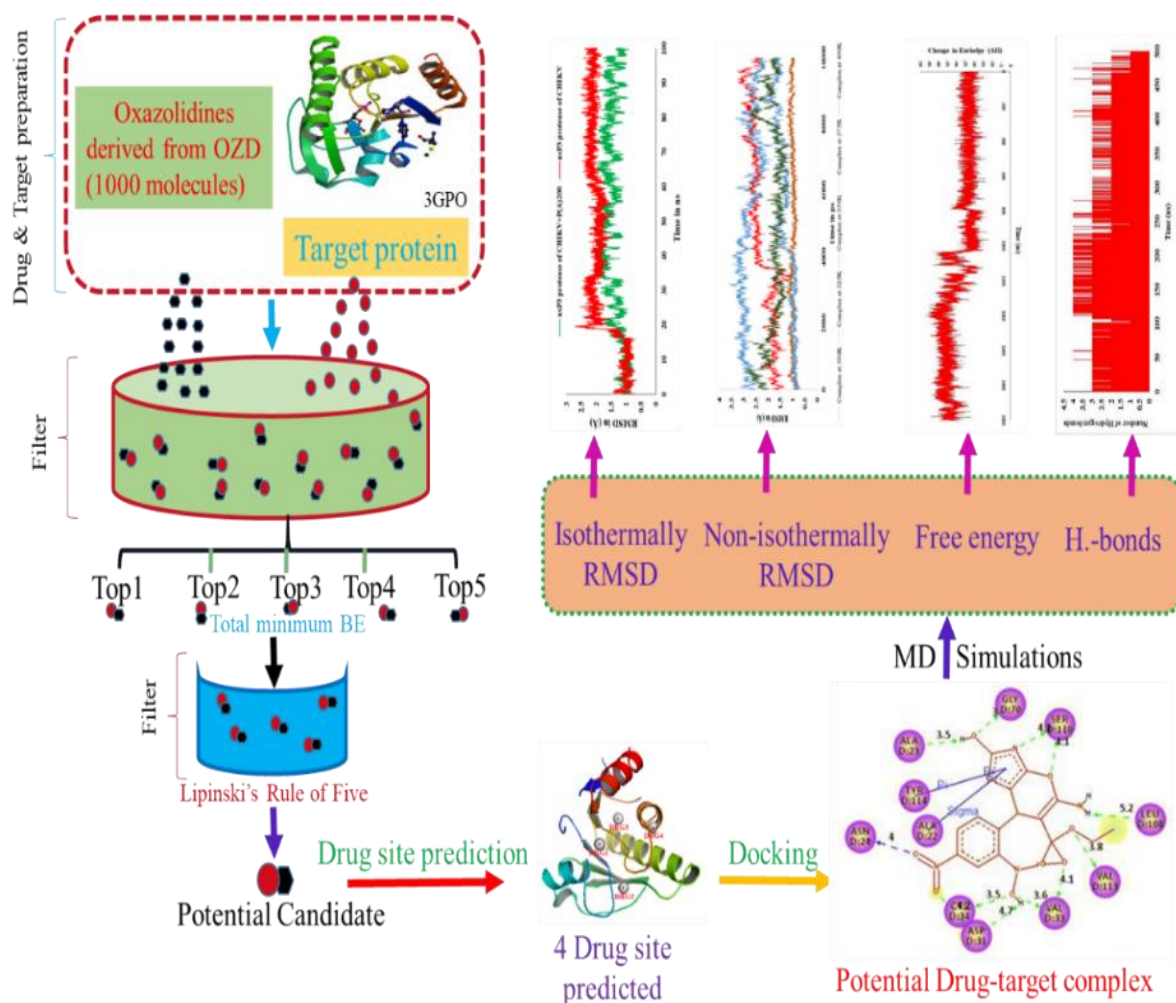
Docking: It is used to predict the binding strength of protein-ligand complex between two molecules using ParDOCK. This studies were performed using ParDOCK web server which is available on SCFBio-iitd.res.in from IIT Delhi India.

Molecular Dynamics Simulations: The Molecular Dynamics simulations of nsP3 protease of CHIKV with and without drug molecules were performed with pmemd modules of AMBER18 suite, utilizing the ff14SB force field at isothermally and non-isothermally.

MM-GBSA Method: Using MM-GBSA method to calculate relative change in binding free energy of complex system with and without drug molecules. From trajectories of MD simulation, the relative binding energy terms of complex, target, drug and difference in drug-target-complex at 100 ns, 500 ns and 2000 ns are calculated by the given equations.

DFT Study: Through density function theory (DFT), it was used to calculate the LUMO - HOMO energy gap (ΔE) or E_{Gap} from B3LYP method with the basis set 6-311G* using Gaussian. By using E_{HOMO} and E_{LUMO} energy values for top five hit drug molecules to calculate electronic terms such as chemical potential (μ), global electronegativity (χ) and chemical hardness (η) global electrophilicity (ω) respectively were estimated based on **Equation** as given below.





Hands on Computational tools to develop biologically potential candidates:-

Computational tools
ChemDraw and Marvin Sketch

Applications
 It is the drawing tool of choice for chemists to create or design compound library.

iGEMDOCK

It is an integrated and easy to use environment which is especially useful for post-screening analysis and inferring pharmacological interactions from screening compounds.

RASPD

A web server for preliminary screening of drug molecules from ZINC database and screening from designed compound libraries on the basis of binding affinity (ΔG).

Gaussian 09

It is used for geometry optimization, transition state, intermediate, HOMO-LUMO gap and reaction mechanism study through DFT theory.

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It was used for the preparation of target protein and adding of some missing atoms/ions and removal of some extra atoms/ions.

AADS	Active site or drug site on target protein was predicted by AADS web server.
ParDOCK	It is used for selective or rigid docking of drug molecules into the cavity of target protein.
Pymol; MMV; Chemira; LigPlus; Discovery Studio.	These are computer based software, a molecular visualization system and it can produce high-quality 3D images of small molecules, biological macromolecules, such as proteins and drug-target complex systems.
Gusar; Swiss ADME; Molinspiration	A web server for prediction of Acute toxicity and biological activity score of top screened molecules.
AMBER18	Amber is a suite of bio-molecular simulation programs and it was used to simulate drug-target complex and also predicted binding affinity of drug-target complex through MM-GBSA method.

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Declaration:

I hereby declare that the particulars furnished herein by me are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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