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CAREER OBJECTIVES

A seasoned professional in the realm of agricultural sciences with 5 years of working experience in laboratory conditions actively seeking a career opportunity in the field of Plant Physiology, Plant Tissue Culture, Plant Breeding, and Molecular Biology within an institution. I aim to establish a long-term commitment, continually enhance my skills, and contribute to the growth of Agriculture and Plant Sciences.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Plant Tissue Culture | Crop Improvement | Ploidy Manipulation | Double haploid induction | Embryo rescue | Plant Molecular Biology | Plant Physiology | Plant Developmental Biology | Plant Epigenetics | Cryopreservation | Plant Bioinformatics | Plant biotechnology |

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Agricultural Specialization [02/12/2019 – Current] [Expected Thesis Defense by March 2024], *Czech University of Life Sciences, Prague, Czechia*

Thesis: Exploring the Potential of *In-vitro* Polyploidization for Genetic Improvement of Medicinal Plants

Master of Science in Agricultural Biotechnology [21/07/2017 – 04/07/2019]

Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda Educational and Research Institute, Kolkata, India

Thesis: Comparative study of the growth behavior of in-vivo and in-vitro plants of *Withania* somnifera with their antifungal activity. [Certificate]

Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology [20/07/2014 – 06/2017]

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology, West Bengal, India [Certificate]

TECHNICAL SKILLS

In vitro Polyploidization | Mutagenesis | Flow-cytometry | Chromosome counting | Nucleic Acid Extraction | Molecular Characterization using molecular markers | Gene Expression | RT-qPCR | NGS library preparation | RNA-Seq data analysis (using R) | Functional Annotation and Pathway Analysis | WGCNA analysis | Plant Tissue and Organ Culture | Virus Elimination | Synthetic Seed Production | Callus Culture | Microscopy | Encapsulation Vitrification | Cryopreservation | Microtome and tissue embedding | SPAD | PhotosynQ | Handy PEA+ | CIRUS-3 | GC/MS sample preparation and data analysis | Bioassays to assess plant stress and physiology including Antioxidant enzyme assay, Proline content, Chlorophyll estimation, etc. | Principal component analysis |

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

>>> Scientific laboratory technician

Laboratory of Plant Tissue Cultures, Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Czechia [01/01/2021 – Current]

Roles:

Media Preparation | Glassware and Equipment Sterilization | Surface Sterilization, Micropropagation, and Subculturing | Inventory Management | Helping and Guiding Bachelor and Master Students | Maintaining Safety Measures

>>> Research Assistant

Crop Research Institute, Prague [31/07/2020 – 31/10/2021]

Research Area: Plant-Virus Interaction (Worked with Triticum, Brassica, and Nicotiana spp.)

Roles:

Experiment Designing | Homogenize Plant samples | Extracting RNA & DNA from samples | cDNA synthesis | real-time PCR |

PEDAGOGICAL ACTIVITY

>>> Undergraduate Lecturer | Faculty of Tropical AgriSciences, Czech University of Life Sciences, Prague, CZ

Subject: Tropical Agricultural Systems (IRI007E)

- Batch 2022/2023 (40 students)
- Batch 2021/2022 (29 students)
- Batch 2020/2021 (25 students)

>>> Graduate student mentor | Laboratory of Plant Tissue Cultures, FTA, CZU

 Mentored four students: 3 Bachelor's and 1 Master's student, providing guidance in their experiments and research projects in Plant tissue culture and biotechnology.

TRAINING AND INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Internship at Slovak University of Agriculture, Nitra, Slovakia
[01/11/2021 - 31/12/2021]

Throughout my internship, I conducted an investigation into the impact of ploidy levels on medicinal herbs belonging to the Lamiaceae family. This study involved the utilization of advanced instrumentation dedicated to the assessment of plant photosynthesis, including PhotosynQ, SPAD, Multiplex, CIRAS, and Dual PAM. Additionally, I refined my proficiency in data analysis, ensuring precise interpretation and the derivation of insightful conclusions from the acquired datasets. [Certificate]

>>> Summer Training at Universitat Politècnica de València, Valencia, Spain [13/07/2021 – 22/07/2021]

Topic: In vitro Techniques and Research of Mediterranean Plant Biodiversity [Certificate]

PROJECTS PARTICIPATED

 Genetic improvement of medicinal plants through biotechnological interventions - (IGA FTZ-20233105)
 [04/2022 - 12/2023]

Role: Co-investigator

 Development of polyploid genotypes in Mentha spicata using in vitro somatic polyploidization -(IGA FTZ-20223101)
 [01/2021 – 12/2022]

Role: Co-investigator

In vitro induced polyploidy in *Thymus camphoratus* Hoffmanns (IGA FTZ 20213113) - (IGA FTZ-20213105)

Role: Co-investigator

In vitro indukovaná polyploidie u Celosia argenta L. (IGA FTZ-20205004) [04/2019 – 12/2020]

Role: Co-investigator

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

>>> The 3rd International Electronic Conference on Agronomy

Enhancing Essential Oil Yield and Agronomical Traits in *Melissa officinalis* L. through Synthetic Polyploidization [Virtual Conference, 15/10/2022 – 30/10/2022] Link: https://sciforum.net/paper/view/14966

>>> Tropentag 2022

Development of polyploid genotypes in *Mentha spicata* using in vitro somatic polyploidization [Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Czech Republic, 14/09/2022 – 16/09/2022] Link: http://dx.doi.org/10.13140/RG.2.2.22828.95361

>>> Tropentag 2021

Genetic and morphological stability of autopolyploid *Thymus vulgaris* L. and changes in its anatomy and physiology [University of Hohenheim, Germany, 15/09/2021 - 17/09/2021]

>>> ELLS Scientific Student Conference 2020

Effect of zinc oxide and titanium dioxide nanoparticles on in vitro micropropagation of *Monarda didyma* L. from nodal segments [University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna, Austria] [19/11/2020 - 21/11/2020]

REVIEW ACTIVITY

Participated as an academic reviewer for the following Prestigious journals:

- Journal of Plant Growth Regulation
- Scientia Horticulture
- Pest Management Science

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

>>> Josef Hlávka Award for Outstanding Ph.D. Achievement [October 2023]

The prize is intended for talented students up to the age of 33 who have shown special ability and intellectual creativity in their branch. [Link]

>>> Rector's Award for Excellence publication output 2023 [November 2023]

Recognized with the Rector's Award for delivering an exemplary publication as a Ph.D. student at the Czech University of Life Sciences, highlighting a significant contribution to research. [Link]

DRIVING LICENCE

European type B1 (20/06/2022 – 20/06/2032) European type B (20/06/2022 – 20/06/2032)

REFERENCES

Dr. Eloy Fernández-Cusimamani | PhD. Supervisor | Email: eloy@ftz.czu.cz
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