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Current Research Interest

Our current research interest is in investigating the application of nanostructured materials in biomedical fields, such as cancer therapy and antimicrobial activity, while assessing their potential risks and toxicological effects on human and environmental health. Owing to their unique physicochemical properties, nanoscale materials may cause biological consequences, including inflammation, free oxygen radical generation, oxidative stress, and ultimately apoptosis. Such knowledge will not only improve nanoscale material safety strategies for the protection of both human and environmental health, but it will also aid in the development of biomedical applications of nanostructures.

Academic/Research Experience (>20 years)

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| Nov 2022- Present- | Professor , King Abdullah Institute for Nanotechnology,
King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia |
| Oct 2017- Oct 2022- | Associate Professor , King Abdullah Institute for Nanotechnology,
King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia |
| Feb 2010- Sep 2017- | Assistant Professor , King Abdullah Institute for Nanotechnology,
King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia |
| Oct 2007-Jan 2010- | Research Scientist , Centre for Tissue Regeneration and Engineering,
Department of Biology, University of Dayton, Ohio, USA |

May 2005-Sep 2007 - Senior Research Fellow, Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (Formerly known as Industrial Toxicology Research Centre), Lucknow, India

May 2003-April 2005- Junior Research Fellow, Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (Formerly known as Industrial Toxicology Research Centre), Lucknow, India.

Oct 2002-March 2003-Project Fellow, Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology, Hyderabad, India

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Education

Ph.D. **Biochemistry** in 2007 from Jamia Hamdard (Hamdard University), New Delhi, India. Thesis title “Environmental exposure to leas and assessment of associated health risks among children”. Supervisor- Dr. M.K.J. Siddiqui Co-Supervisor: Waseem Siddiqui

M.S. **Biotechnology, 1st Division** in 2001 from V.B.S. Purvanchal University, Jaunpur, India. Thesis title “Genetic diversity within and between two endogamous populations”. Thesis Supervisor: Dr. Lalji Singh Co-supervisor: Dr. D.D. Dubey

B.S. **Chemistry, Zoology and Botany 1st Division** in 1997 from V.B.S. Purvanchal University, Jaunpur, India

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International Awards and Recognitions

2024 **Listed in World Top 2% Scientists by Stanford University, USA**

2023 **Listed in World Top 2% Scientists by Stanford University, USA**

2022 **Listed in World Top 2% Scientists by Stanford University, USA.**

2021 **Listed in World Top 2% Scientists by Stanford University, USA**

2020 **Listed in World Top 2% Scientists by Stanford University, USA.**

2018 **Highly Cited Researcher-2018 by Clarivate Analytics. <https://hcr.clarivate.com/>**
Subject: Pharmacology & Toxicology

2017 **Highly Cited Researcher-2017 by Clarivate Analytics. <https://hcr.clarivate.com/>**
Subject: Pharmacology & Toxicology

2017 **King Saud University Award for Scientific Excellence**
Category: Best Research Quality, Subject: Science and Engineering
(The award was conferred by the Governor of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)

2007-08 Recipient of **Oakridge Associated Universities (ORAU) Postdoctoral Fellowship, USA**

- 2006** Recipient of **International Travel Grant Award** from Council of Scientific Industrial Research (CSIR), Government of India
- 2005-07** Recipient of **Senior Research Fellowship Award** from Council of Scientific Industrial Research (CSIR), Government India
- 2003-05** Recipient of **Junior Research Fellowship Award** from Council of Scientific Industrial (CSIR), Government of India
- 2004:** Recipient of **Best Poster Award** in International Conference on Health, Occupation and Environment in Unorganized Sector- Problems and Road Maps, 2004 (ICHOE-2004), Indian Institute of Toxicological Research Centre (IITR), India.
- 2002** Qualified **National Eligibility Test (NET) for Lectureship and Junior Research Fellowship** conducted jointly by Council of Scientific Industrial Research-University Grant Commission (**CSIR-UGC**), Government of India (I was one of the top ranked candidates in this highly competitive national level examination)
- 2002** Second Position in Order of Merit of Master’s Degree Program at University Level
- 1994** First Position in Order of Merit of 10+2 Examination at School Level

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Current Teaching

MSc in Nanoscience and Applied Nanotechnology Joint Program Nanotoxicology

Courses Code: NAN522

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Supervisions

- Supervising several undergraduate and Master Students every year.
 - Co-supervision Ph.D. student: **ZabnAllah M. Alzairi (Student ID: 437105687)**, Registered at Department of Physics and Astronomy, King Saud University. Title: Improvement of Physicochemical Properties of Metal-Doped Oxide Nanoparticles and Graphene-Based Nanocomposites for Diagnostic and Therapy Applications. Year 2019-2024.
 - Co-supervision of Master Student: **Essa Awad Al-Harbi (Student ID: 431105465)**. Registered at Department of Physics and Astronomy, King Saud University. Thesis title: Synthesis, Physiochemical characterization and biological response of iron oxide nanoparticles. Year: 2013-2015.
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Regular reviewers for the Journals: Scientific Reports, Nanomedicine: NBM, Nanomedicine (Lond.), International Journal of Nanomedicine, Environmental Science & Technology, Nanoscale, Toxicology, Environmental Toxicology, Archives of Environmental Contamination & Toxicology, Environmental Health, Archives of Gynecology & Obstetrics, Science of the Total Environment, Clinica Chimica Acta, Clinical Biochemistry, Human and Experimental Toxicology, Toxicology International, Chemosphere and Journal of Nanoparticle Research, etc.

External Funding for Nanomedicine & Nanotoxicology Lab

Project #1

Title: Determination of genotoxicity of engineered nanomaterials

Role: Principal Investigator

Funding agency: National Plan for Science and Technology (NPST), Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Project Number: 10-NAN1201-02

Duration: August 2011- July 2013.

Budget: Saudi Riyal 1.5 Million

Status: Completed

Project #2

Title: Toxicity of nanomaterials

Role: Co-Investigator

Funding Agency: Deanship of Scientific Research, King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Research Group Number: RGP-VPP-308

Duration: From 2013- 2017

Budget: Saudi Riyadh 150,000 annually

Project #3

Title: Exploring the mechanisms of preferential killing of cancer cells by engineered zinc oxide nanomaterials: Potential implications in cancer therapy

Role: Principal Investigator

Funding agency: National Plan for Science, Technology, and Innovation (MAARIFAH), King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Project Number: 13-NAN908-02

Duration: Recommended

Budget: Saudi Riyal 2.0 Million

Status: Completed

Project #4

Title: Nanobiology

Role: Principle Investigator

Funding Agency: Deanship of Scientific Research, KSU, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Research Group Number: RG-1439-72

Budget: SR 150,000 annually

Status: Completed

Project #5**Title: Biomedical application of Nanocomposites****Role:** Principle Investigator**Funding Agency:** IFKSU-Phase II, Deanship of Scientific Research, KSU, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia**Year:** 2022-2023**Status:** Completed**Project #6****Title: Anticancer potential of green synthesized nanocomposites****Role:** Principle Investigator**Funding Agency:** IFKSU-Phase III, Deanship of Scientific Research, KSU, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia**Year:** 2023**Status:** Continuing**Peer Reviewed Journal Publication (WOS indexed)****Year 2024**

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- breast (MCF-7) cancer cells. **RSC Advances** 2024,14, 37697-37708. <https://doi.org/10.1039/D4RA07039A>
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 182. M.A. Majeed Khan, Parul Choudhary, Anees A. Ansari, **Maqsood Ahamed**, Sushil Kumar, Mohammed Shahabuddin, Abu ul Hassan S. Rana. Facile production of Ag-Co₃O₄/rGO nanocomposite and its enhanced photocatalytic and electrochemical activities for practical applications. **Diamond and Related Materials.** Volume 141, January 2024, 110675. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.diamond.2023.110675>
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170. **Maqsood Ahamed***, Khan MAM. Enhanced Photocatalytic and Anticancer Activity of Zn-Doped BaTiO₃ Nanoparticles Prepared through a Green Approach Using Banana Peel Extract. **Catalysts** 2023(June), 13, 985. <https://doi.org/10.3390/catal13060985>
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Organization of Training Programs/Workshops

- Organized a workshop on the topic “Nanostructures for Biomedical Applications (NBA-2022)” on 09- February-2022 at King Abdullah Institute for Nanotechnology, King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

Invited Speakers/Oral Presentations/Lectures (Selected)

- Lecture delivered at KAIN-KSU seminar series on the topic “Biomedical applications of engineered nanostructures” date 25-December-2024.
- Lecture delivered on the topic “Nanocomposites for cancer therapy” at the workshop “Biosensing technologies at KSU: Recent and future advances” on 06-December-2023 at the King Abdullah Institute for Nanotechnology, King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- Oral communication on the topic “Anticancer performance of green prepared Mo-ZnO/RGO nanocomposites: Investigation of possible mechanism” at the International Conference and Exhibition for Science (ICES-2023), held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, on February 06-08, 2023
- Lecture delivered on the topic “ZnO-based nanostructures for cancer therapy” at the workshop on “Nanostructures for Biomedical Applications (NBA-2022)” on 09 February 2022 at the King Abdullah Institute for Nanotechnology, King Saud University, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- INVITED SPEAKER on the topic “Nanotechnology: Biomedical Application and Human Health” at VBS Purvanchal University 31 July, 2016, Jaunpur, India
- INVITED SPEAKER at 6th International Conference on Drug Discovery and Therapy. Feb 10-12, 2014. Dubai, UAE.
- ORAL PRESENTATION at International Conference on Advances in Free radicals, Redox Signaling and Translational Antioxidant Research and XII Annual Meeting of the Society for Free Radical

Research-India during Jan30-Feb01, 2013 at CSIR-Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (CSIR-IITR), Lucknow, India.

- INVITED SPEAKER at “Halal Food Control Workshop” organized by Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA) on Feb12, 2012, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- INVITED SPEAKER at the conference “Second World Conference on Nanomedicine and Drug Delivery (WCN-2011) March 11-13, 2011, held at Kottayam, Kerala, India
- ORAL PRESENTATION at SETAC North America 30th Annual Meeting. Human-Environment Interactions: Understanding Change in Dynamic Systems Hilton Riverside. 19 - 23 November 2009. New Orleans, Louisiana, USA,
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Conferences/seminars/summits (Selected)

1. Attended international Conference on Conjoined Twins-2024 organized by King Salman Humanitarian Aid & Relief Centre (KSrelief) in Saudi Arabia held at the Hilton Riyadh Hotel, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from 24-25 November 2024.
2. Attended Local Content Forum held at Misk city, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from 20-22 November 2024.
3. Attended Global Logistics Forum held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from 12 -14 October 2024.
4. Attended Global AI Summit (GAIN), held at the King Abdulaziz International Conference Center (KAICC), Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from 10-12 September 2024.

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