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Highest Qualification. : Ph.D.

Area of expertise/Interest. : Phycology, Metabolomics, Natural Product

**Number of Research Scholar Produced: 2** 

Number of Research Scholar Currently working: 5

### **Research Articles:**

- Joardar N, Sen A, *Rath J*, SinhaBabu SP (2021) Inhibition of thioredoxin reductase (TrxR) triggers oxidative stress-induced apoptosis in filarial nematode *Setaria cervi* channelized through ASK-1-p38 mediated caspase activation. Molecular and Biochemical Parasitology (In Press Pre-Proof) DOI: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.molbiopara.2021.111364 (Impact Factor 1.571)
- Shaw P, Sen A, Mondal P, Bhowmik AD, Rath J, Chattopadhyay A (2020). Shinorine ameliorates chromium induced toxicity in zebrafish hepatocytes through the facultative activation of Nrf2-Keap1-ARE pathway. Aquatic Toxicology, 228, 105622. (Impact Factor 4.344).
- 3. Bhakat S, Saha S, Mandal S, *J Rath* (2020) Antibacterial Activity of Desiccated Cyanobacterium Anabaena Sp. Isolated from Terracotta Monuments of Bishnupur, West Bengal. International *Journal of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Drug Research* 12 (2): 94-98.
- 4. Mandal S, Mandal TK, *Rath J* (2019). Investigation of therapeutically active constituents of homeopathy medicine from *Justicia adhatoda* L. and its clinical verification. *Journal of Pharmacognosy and Phytochemistry*, 8(3), 3790-3796.



- Simithy J, Fuanta NR, Alturki M, Hobrath JV, Wahba AE, Pina I, Rath J, Hamann MT, DeRuiter J, Goodwin DC and Calderón AI (2018) Slow-Binding Inhibition of Mycobacterium tuberculosis Shikimate Kinase by Manzamine Alkaloids. Biochemistry, 57 (32), pp.4923-4933. (Impact factor 2.952)
- 6. Mandal S and *Rath J* (2015) Phytochemical and antioxidant activities of ethnomedicinal plants used by fisher folks of Chilika lagoon for Indigenous phytotherapy J Pharmacogn Phytochem. 3: 55-65
- 7. *Rath J*, Mandal S and Adhikary SP (**2014**) Ecophysiology of *Lyngbya aestuarii* to varying salinity regimes *Acta Physiologiae Plantarum*, 36: 409-419 (Impact factor **1.760**).
- 8. Mandal S and *Rath J* (2013) Algal colonization and its ecophysiology on the fine sculptures of terracotta monuments of Bishnupur, West Bengal, India. *International Biodeterioration and Biodegradation* 84: 291-299. (Impact factor 4.074).
- 9. Bhattacharya S, *Rath J* and Ray S (**2013**) Cyanobacteria of soil-crust from forest soils of Birbhum district, West Bengal distribution of species in relation to soil-parameters. Phykos 43:1-8
- 10. Bhattacharya S, Rath J and Ray S (2013) Effect of pH and varying concentration of nitrate, phosphate and iron on morphology, growth and nitrogenase activity in a soil-crust cyanobacteria Scytonema coactile Montagne ex Born et Flah. , Phytomorphology 63 101-111.
- 11. *Rath J*, Mandal S and Adhikary SP (**2012**) Salinity induced synthesis of UV-screening compound scytonemin in the cyanobacterium *Lyngbya aestuarii Photochem photobiol B. Biology* 115: 5-8 (Impact factor **4.383**).
- 12. Bhattacharya S, *Rath J*, Ojha SN and Ray S (**2012**) Soil-crust Cyanobacteria from Alluvial Zone of district Birbhum, West Bengal: Relating species distribution with soil parameters. Phytomorphology 62:13-23
- 13. Bhattacharya S, Rath J and Ray S (2012) Composition, Basic features and distribution of Cyanobacteria in soil crusts A Review. Dynamic Biochemistry, Process Biotechnology and Molecular Biology 6: 1-12.

- 14. Mandal S, *Rath J* and Adhikary SP (**2011**) Adaptation strategies of the sheathed cyanobacterium *Lyngbya majuscula* to ultraviolet-B *Photochem photobiol B. Biology* 102: 115-122 (Impact factor 4.383).
- 15. Padhi B.K, *J. Rath* and Padhi P.K (**2010**) Diatoms for assessing the ecological condition of inland freshwater bodies. World Rev of Sci, Technol & Sust. Development 7: 352-359.
- 16. Samad L.K, J. Rath and S. P. Adhikary (2008) Growth response and protein profile of two different Scytonema species from cave walls and soil crusts in light and dark. Algological Studies 127: 49-60.
- 17. *Rath J.* and S.P. Adhikary (2007) Response of the estuarine cyanobacterium *Lyngbya* aestuarii to UV-B radiation. *J. Appl. Phycol* 19: 529-536. (Impact Factor: 3.016)
- 18. Ratha S.K., M. Jena, *J. Rath* and S.P. Adhikary (2007) Three Ecotypes of *Compsogon coeruleus* (Rhodophyta) from Orissa State, East Coast of India. *Algae* (*Korean Journal of Phycology*) 22 (2): 1-10. (Impact Factor: 2.914)
- 19. *Rath J.* and S.P. Adhikary (2006) Marine macro-algae of Orissa, east coast of India. *Algae* (*Korean Journal of Phycology*) 21(1): 49-59. (Impact Factor: 2.914)
- 20. *Rath J.* and S.P. Adhikary (**2006**) Seasonal variation of phytoplankton in Chilika Lake, east coast of India. *Seaweed Res. Utiln.* 28 (1): 43-48.
- 21. *Rath J.* and S.P. Adhikary (2005) Distribution of marine macro-algae at different salinity gradients in Chilika lake, east coast of India *Ind. J. Mar. Sc.* 34 (2): 237-241. (Impact Factor: 0.328)
- 22. Rath J. and S.P. Adhikary (2004) Effect of alkali treatment on the yield and quality of agar from *Gracilaria verrucosa* (Rhodophyta, Gracilariales) occurring at different salinity gradient of Chilika lake *Ind. J. Mar. Sc.* 33 (2): 202-205. (Impact Factor: 0.328)
- 23. *Rath J.* and S.P. Adhikary. (2003) Growth response of selected micro-algae of Chilika Lake to different salinity *Seaweed Res. Utiln.* 25 (1&2): 127-130.

- 24. *Rath, J.* and S.P. Adhikary (2002) Growth and spectral characteristics of four algae and agar yield of *Gracilaria verrucosa* at different salinity gradients of Chilika lake. *Seaweed Res. Utiln.* 24 (1): 41- 46.
- 25. Panda P.C., A.K. Pattnaik, *J. Rath* and S.N. Patnaik (**2002**) "Flora of Chilika lake and its immediate neighborhood: A Check-List" *J. Econ. Taxon. Bot* (26) 1-20.
- 26. *Rath J* and S.P. Adhikary. (2001) UV absorbing pigment in the seaweeds of Chilika lake." *Seaweed Res. Utiln.* 23(1&2): 163-168,
- 27. *Rath J* and S.P. Adhikary. (2001) Effect of UV-B on the UV absorbing pigments of seaweeds of Chilika Lake *Seaweed Res. Utiln.* 23(1&2): 169-174.

#### **Book Publications:**

- **1.** Mandal S and *Rath J* (2015) Extremophilic Cyanobacteria for Novel Drug Development. Springer, USA pp. 92. (ISSN- 1864-8118; ISBN 978-3-319-12008-9).
- 2. Adhikary S.P., M. Jena and J. Rath (2009) Freshwater algae of coastal districts of Orissa state, India. *Bibliotheca Phycologica*, Band 115. Willkommen bei den Verlagen E.Schweizerbart, Borntraeger and Cramer Science Publishers, Stuttgart, Germany pp.166 36 plates ISBN: 978-3-443-60042-6; ISSN: 0067-8066.
- **3.** *Rath, J* and S.P. Adhikary (**2005**) **Algal Flora of Chilika Lake**. Daya Publishing House, New Delhi. Xiv + 206 p., 30 col. Plts., ISBN: 8170353513.

## **CHAPTERS IN EDITED BOOKS**

- **1.** Bhakat S, Mandal S and **Rath J** (**2020**) Biofilm of Cyanobacteria: Environmental Applications *In*: Arumugam M, Kathiresan S, Nagaraj S (ed.) Applied Algal Biotechnology. Nova Scientific Publisher, New York, USA pp 311-330.
- 2. Rath J, Jena M and Adhikary SP (2013) Biodiversity Analysis of Soil and Fresh water Algae of Eastern and North Eastern Regions of India In: G.P. Mishra and Asha Gupta (ed.) Ecorestoration and Biodiversity conservation, Aavishkar Publishers Distributors, Jaipur pp. 32-54.
- 3. Rath J and Adhikary SP (2011) Chilika lake and its Biodiversity In: Phycodiversity Aspects and Prospects. Ed. Prasad PK, Daya Publishing House, New Delhi (Now Astral International (P) Ltd) Delhi pp. 134-152.

- **4. Rath J**, S Mandal and Padhi BK (**2010**) Prospective in Diatom Nanotechnology *In*: M.K. Das (ed.) Algal Biotechnology, Daya Publishing House, New Delhi pp. 25-35.
- 5. Rath J and Adhikary SP (2010) Biodiversity of Chilika lake, east coast of India *in:* diversity of lower plant Eds. Gupta, R.K. and Kumar, M. IK International Publishing House Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, pp.121-136.
- **6. Rath J** and Mandal S (**2009**) Sequestration of Heavy metals from Waste water Effluent by Micro-algae *in:* **Environmental Microbiology** Eds. Mishra BB, Nanda DR and Dave SR. A P H Publication Corporation, New Delhi, pp. 55-70.
- 7. Mondal S, Mandal S and Rath J (2009) Photochromatic adaptation of marine cyanobacteria *Lyngbya aestuarii* (Mertens) Liebman ex Gomont *in:* Advances in plant biology Eds. Mandal, S and Bhattacharya S. Binapani Educational and Welfare Trust, Sriniketan, pp.289-297.
- **8.** *Rath. J.* and S.P. Adhikary (**2008**) Biodiversity Assessment of Algae of Chilika Lake, East Coast of India *In*: Mohanty, Pratap K. (Ed.) Monitoring and Modelling Lakes and Coastal Environments. Springer.
- Rath. J. and S.P. Adhikary (2007) Bioprospecting of marine algae In: Gupta R. K and V D. Pandey (eds.) Advances in Applied phycology. Daya Publishing house, New Delhi. Pp 42-55.

### **ONGOING RESEARCH PROJECTS:**

- As PI: Project entitled "Unlocking cryptic and anti-quorum sensing natural products of cyanobacteria from stressed habitats in search of novel antibiotics against antimicrobial resistance" Funded by SERB, DST, Govt. Of India (Approved Budget 46,71,370/- for 3 years)
- As PI: Project entitled "Exploration of DHA (docosahexaenoic acid) producing algae from wetlands of West Bengal for maternal supplement and neurodevelopment of young children's of West Bengal" Funded by WBDST, Govt. Of West Bengal (Approved Budget 10,80,000/- for 3 years)

## **COMPLETED RESEARCH PROJECTS:**

- As PI: Project entitled "Algal diversity of East Calcutta wetland, Ramsar site and evaluation of its phycoremediation potential" Funded by UGC, New Delhi. (Approved Budget 7,47,000 /- for 3 years)
- As Co-PI: Project entitled "Molecular taxonomy of stress tolerant cyanobacteria and characterization of stress proteins and antioxidant defense systems in selected anhydrobiotes" Funded by Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India. (Approved Budget 29,93,000 /- for 3 years)
- As Co-PI: Project entitled "Prospecting chemical components from Cyanobacteria to deal with UV Radiation" Funded by CSIR, Govt. of India. (Approved Budget 19,76,000 /- for 3 years)

# **Membership / Partner:**

- Phycological Society of America
- Euglena International Network (EIN)
- Society of wetland Scientist (SWS), USA
- World Federation of Culture Collections (WFCC)
- Alumni of UNITED NATIONS INSTITUTE FOR TRAINING AND RESEARCH (UNITAR)
- Indian Phycological society
- Association of Microbiologist of India (Life Member)
- Member of The American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)
- Seaweed Research & Utilization Association of India (Life Member)
- Partner of UNESCO affiliated "Expert Center for Taxonomic Identification" (ETI)

### **ACADEMIC VISIT TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES:**

- 1. The University of Mississippi, **USA**
- 2. University of Alabama, Birmingham, USA
- 3. The University of Adelaide, Australia
- 4. WFCC- Florianopolis, Brazil
- 5. University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna, Austria
- 6. Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia

- 7. Alfred Wegener Institute (AWI), Bremerhaven, Germany
- 8. United Nations Institute for training and Research, Kushiro, Japan
- 9. United Nations Institute for training and Research Hiroshima, Japan
- 10. South African National Biodiversity Institute- Durban, South Africa
- 11. Wageningen University **The Netherlands**