BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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 Designation: Principal Scientist

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4. Education

S. No.	Institution	Degree	Field of Study
	Place	Awarded	
1.	BR Nahata College of Pharmacy - [BRNCP], Mandsaur	B.Pharmacy	Pharmaceutical Sciences
2.	Indian Institute Of Information Technology, Allahabad India	M.Tech	Bioinformatics
3.	Vellore Institute of Technology, University, Vellore, India.	Ph.D	Bioinformatics

5. Position

S. No.	Institution Place	Position	From (Date)	To (date)
1.	Himalayan Bioresource Technology Palamour (H.P.)	Senior Principal Scientist	2023	Till Date
2.	Department of Biotechnology, CSIR-Institute of Himalayan Bioresource Technology, Palampur (H.P.) India	Principal Scientist	2018	2023
3.	Department of Biotechnology, CSIR-Institute of Himalayan Bioresource Technology, Palampur (H.P.) India	Senior Scientist	2014	2018
4.	School of Bio Sciences and Technology, Vellore Institute of Technology, University, Vellore, India.	Associate Professor	2013	2014
5.	Italian Institute for Genomic Medicine, Torino, Italy (Formerly known as; Human Genetics Foundation (HuGeF))		2012	2013
6.	J	Assistant Professor	2007	2012

6. Key Publications:

1) A comparative study on inclusion complex formation between formononetin and β-cyclodextrin derivatives through multiscale classical and umbrella sampling simulations.

Vijay Kumar Bhardwaj and and Rituraj Purohit* Carbohydrate Polymers 310 (2023) 120729

2) Mechanistic behavior and subtle key events during DNA clamp opening and closing in T4 bacteriophage Vijay Kumar Bhardwaj, Aaron Oakley and Rituraj Purohit* International Journal of Biological Macromolecules (2022) 208: 11-19

3) Identification of 11β-HSD1 inhibitors through enhanced sampling methods. Rahul Singh, Vijay Kumar Bhardwaj, Pralay Das, and Rituraj Purohit* Chemical Communications (2022) DOI: 10.1039/D1CC06894F

4) Integrating microsecond timescale classical and biased molecular dynamics simulations to screen potential molecules for BRD4-BD1.

Vijay Kumar Bhardwaj, Pralay Das and Rituraj Purohit* Chaos, Solitons and Fractals (2023) 167:113061

5) Taming the ringmaster of the genome (PCNA): Phytomolecules for anticancer therapy against a potential non-oncogenic target.

Vijay Kumar Bhardwaj and Rituraj Purohit*
Journal of Molecular Liquids (2021) 337:116437.

6) Himalayan bioactive molecules as potential entry inhibitors for the human immunodeficiency virus.

Vijay Kumar Bhardwaj, Rituraj Purohit* and Sanjay Kumar Food Chemistry (2021) 347:128932

7) Explicit-solvent molecular dynamics simulations revealed conformational regain and aggregation inhibition of I113T SOD1 by Himalayan bioactive molecules.

Sachin Kumar, Vijay Kumar Bhardwaj, Rahul Singh and Rituraj Purohit* Journal of Molecular Liquids (2021) 339: 116798

8) Structural based study to identify new potential inhibitors for Dual Specificity Tyrosine- Phosphorylation-Regulated Kinase..

Vijay Kumar Bhardwaj, Rahul Singh, Jatin Sharma, Pralay Das and Rituraj Purohit* Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine. (2020) 194:105494

9) Benchmarking the ability of novel compounds to inhibit SARS-CoV-2 main protease using Steered molecular dynamics simulations.

Rahul Singh, Vijay Kumar Bhardwaj, Pralay Das, Dhananjay Bhattacherje, Grigory V. Zyryanov and Rituraj Purohit*

Computers in Biology and Medicine (2022) 146: 105572

10) A new insight into protein-protein interactions and the effect of conformational alterations in PCNA Vijay Kumar Bhardwaj and Rituraj Purohit* International Journal of Biological Macromolecules (2020) 148:999-1009

11) Use of long term Molecular Dynamics Simulation in predicting cancer associated SNPs.

Ambuj Kumar and Rituraj Purohit*

PLOS Computational Biology (2014) 10(4): e1003318

Total number of refereed journals – 147 (120 as corresponding author)