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### Educational Qualifications:

S. No.	Degree	Subject	Place	Year
1	BSc (H)	Microbiology	Swami Shradhanand College, University of Delhi, Delhi	1997
2	MSc (H)	Microbiology	Department of Microbiology, Panjab University, Chandigarh	1999
3	Ph.D.	Microbiology	Department of Microbiology, University of Delhi South Campus, New Delhi	2008

### Positions Held:

Time Line	Place	Designation
24 <sup>th</sup> August, 2017-Till date	Department of Protein Chemistry and Technology, CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru, India	<b>Principal Scientist</b>
21 <sup>st</sup> January to April 20, 2019	Michael Smith Laboratories, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. <b>Mentor: Prof. Harry Brumer</b>	<b>CSIR-Raman Research Fellow</b>
24 <sup>th</sup> August, 2013-23 <sup>rd</sup> August, 2017	Department of Protein Chemistry and Technology, CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru, India	<b>Senior Scientist</b>
24 <sup>th</sup> August, 2009-23 <sup>rd</sup> August, 2013	Department of Protein Chemistry and Technology, CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru,	<b>Scientist</b>

	India	
7 <sup>th</sup> July, 2008 to 18 <sup>th</sup> August, 2009	Reliance Life Sciences, Navi Mumbai, India	<b>Research Scientist</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> May, 2007 to 4 <sup>th</sup> July, 2008	International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB), New Delhi, India	<b>Post Doctoral Fellow</b>

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- ❖ Understanding the molecular basis of the prebiotic action of small oligosaccharides derived from mannan based gums in candidate probiotics.

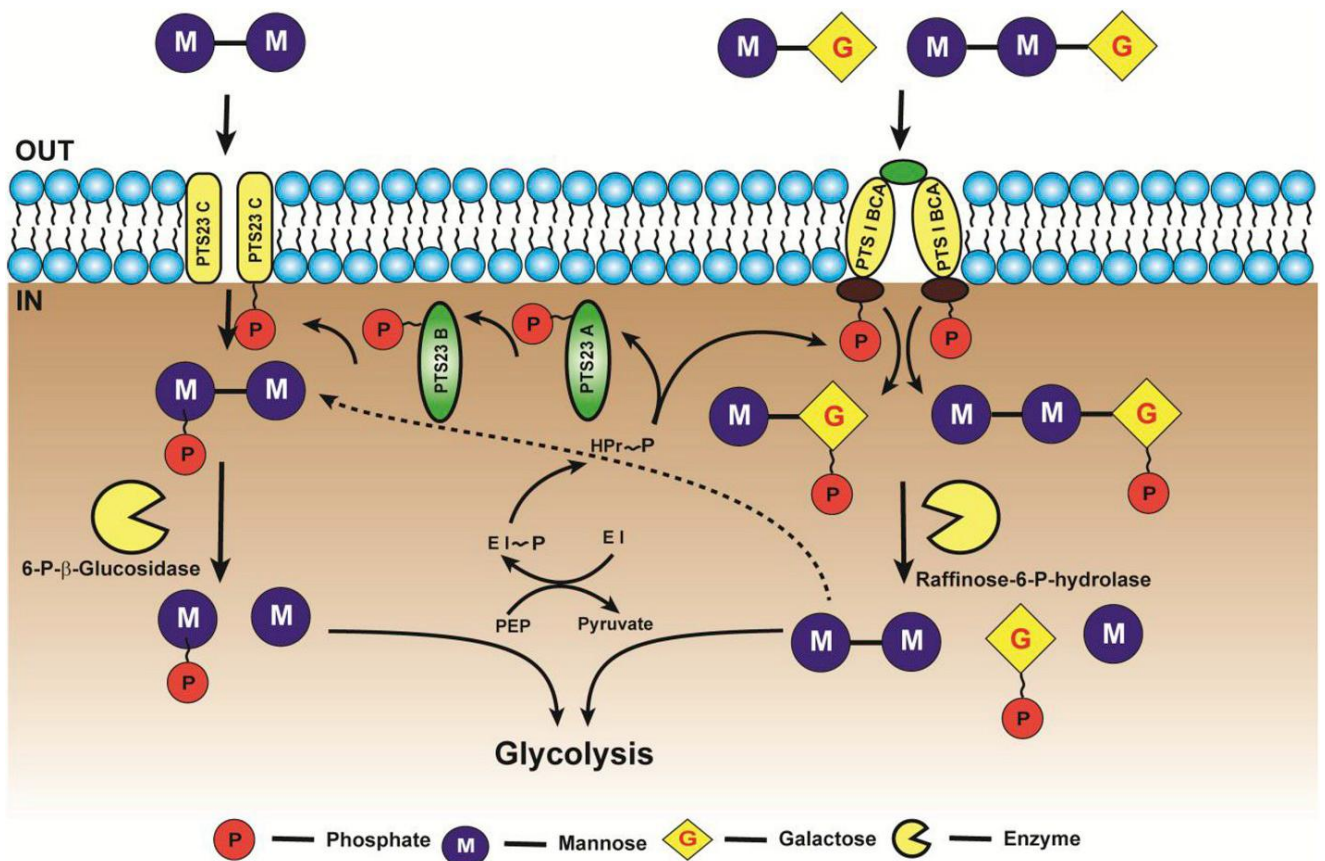


Fig. Pictorial representation of the pathway involved in the uptake and catabolism of short chain GMOS in *Lactobacillus plantarum* WCFS1. (Panwar et al., 2020 Food Microbiology. 86: 103336)

Molecular engineering of enzymes in order to understand their structure-function relationships

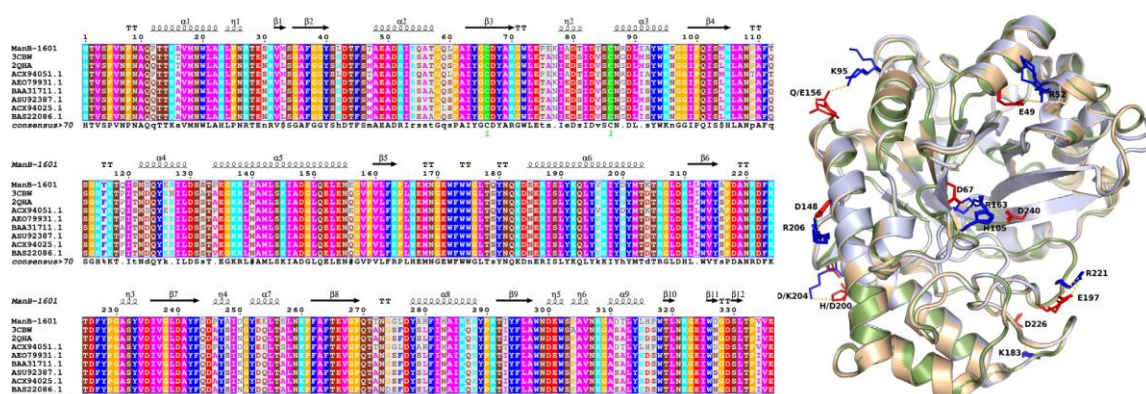


Fig. Degree of conservation among salt bridge residues in GH26 endo-mannanases from *Bacillus* spp. (A) Multiple sequence alignment of GH26 endo-mannanases. The position of salt bridge residues are indicated with arrow. (B) Superimposition of three-dimensional structure of ManB-1601 (gray) with BCman (green) and BsMan26A (wheat). Amino acid residues participating in salt bridges are highlighted in red (acidic) and blue (basic). All sequences, except ManB-1601, are labeled according to their GenBank accession number and PDB ID. (Kaira et al., 2019, International Journal of Biological Macromolecules. 133, 1236-1241)

❖ Unravelling the mechanisms responsible for thermo-stability in Glycosyl Hydrolases with special focus on metal-protein interactions.

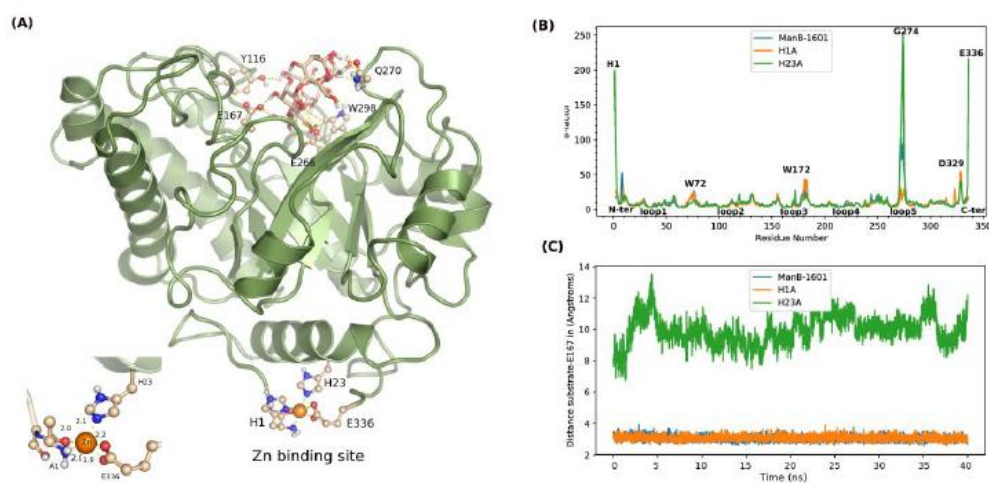


Figure (A) Cartoon representation of ManB-1601 model protein. Metal binding site residues (H1, H23 and E336), catalytic residues (E167 and E266) and some of substrate binding residues (Y116, Q270 and W298) are shown in ball and stick representation. The substrate (G2M4) is embedded in the cavity present in a  $(\alpha/\beta)_8$  catalytic domain region. A inset, H1A in penta coordinated geometry due to loss of coordination of imidazole ring. (B-C) Molecular dynamic simulation analysis of Zn<sup>2+</sup> site mutants as compared to ManB-1601 [26]. (B) predicted B-factor per residue with respect to average structure of molecular dynamics run and (C) changes in the distance between the E167 (catalytic acid/base residue) and glycosidic bond of G2M4. (Kaira et al., 2019, Enzyme and Microbial Technology. 133, 1236-1241)

- ❖ Fabrication of nanomaterials as immobilization supports for Glycosyl Hydrolases in order to improve their biochemical properties.

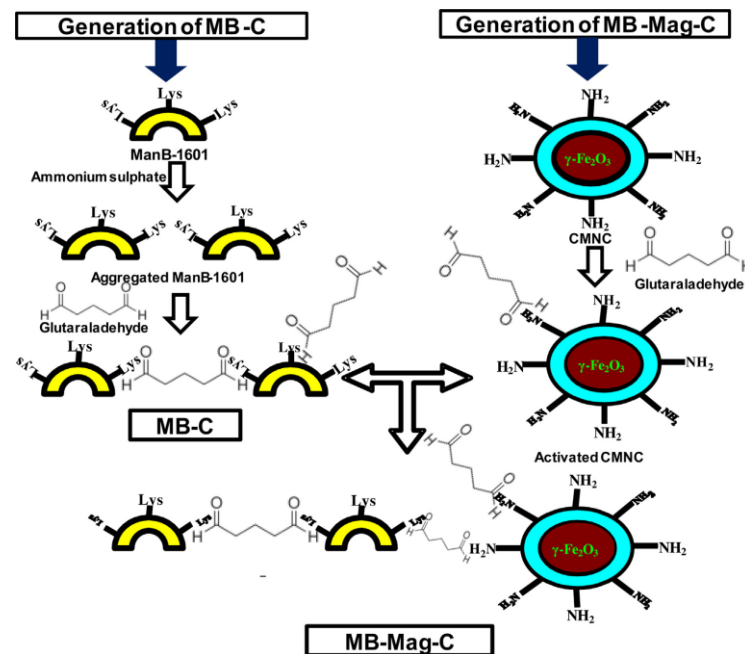


Fig. Schematic representation for the preparation of MB-C and MB-Mag-C. (Panwar et al., 2017 International Journal of Biological Macromolecules. 105(1), 1289-1299.)

- ❖ Industrial application of enzymes in food and related areas.

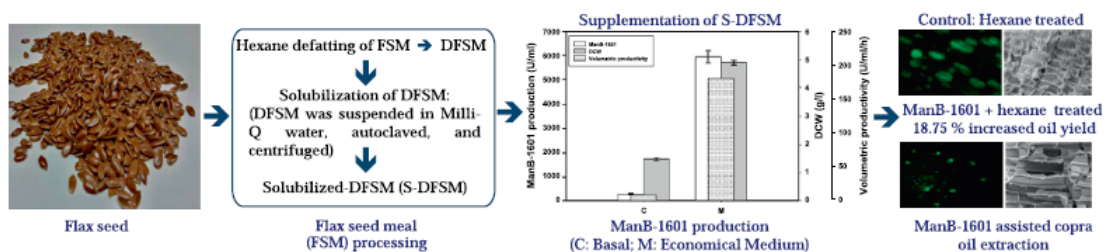


Fig. Extraction of oil from copra using recombinant endo-mannanase (Kaira et al., 2016, Bioresource Technology, 209: 220–227.)

In order to pursue the above-mentioned research interests, my laboratory uses interdisciplinary studies encompassing Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, Microbiology, Biotechnology, Biophysics, Food Science and Carbohydrate Chemistry

## Publications

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- Lactocaseibacillus casei* in cut pineapple matrix: Optimization, survival under gastrointestinal stress and storage stability studies. **Journal of Food Processing and Preservation**. 45 (2): e15132. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jfpp.15132> **Impact Factor: 2.190**
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- production using agro-industrial residues, biochemical characterization and application in dephytinization. **Waste and Biomass Valorization**. 8(4), 1105-1118. **Impact Factor: 2.851**
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### ***Publications as part of conference proceedings***

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### **Research Projects (Currently pursuing and Completed)**

#### **Grant-in Aid (GAP)**

1. **Evaluating the role of galactomanno-oligosaccharides as potential therapy for inflammatory bowel disease using omics based approaches (GAP 0597)**. Funded by Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi (Feb, 2021 to Jan, 2024). **Role: Principal Investigator.**
2. **Understanding key proteins/enzymes of probiotic lactobacilli involved in  $\beta$ -manno-oligosaccharides catabolism (GAP0523)**. Funded by Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology, New Delhi (Dec-2017 to Dec, 2020). **Role: Principal Investigator.**
3. **Production, structure-function studies of neutral/alkaline bacterial phytase and assessment of potential in de-phytinization of oil cake rich animal feed (GAP 0431)**. Funded by Science and Engineering Research Board, Department of Science and Technology, New Delhi, India. (July, 2013-July, 2016). **Role: Principal Investigator.**

#### **Biological Science Cluster (BSC)**

1. **Nano-materials: Applications and Impact on Safety, Health and Environment (NanoSHE)''** under Biological Sciences Cluster. Nodal Lab: CSIR-IITR (BSC0112). Funded by CSIR, New Delhi, India. (April, 2012 to March, 2017). **Role: Principal Investigator.**

2. **A database for the carbohydrate digestive products of Indian Foods 12<sup>th</sup>-Five year plan project entitled WELFO** at CSIR-CFTRI (BSC0202). Nodal Lab: CSIR-CFTRI Funded by CSIR, New Delhi, India. (April, 2012 to March, 2017). Role: Member
3. **Anti-microbial agents from natural and synthetic sources for increasing the shelf life of fresh foods under XII FYP - New initiatives to boost agricultural productivity through maximizing pre and post harvest yields (AGROPATHY)**. Nodal Lab: CSIR-CFTRI Funded by CSIR, New Delhi, India. (2013 - 2014). Role: Member

### Major Laboratory Projects (MLP)

1. Functional ingredients of therapeutic value from protein rich products. Funded by CSIR-CFTRI. Duration: 2010-2012. Role: Principal Investigator.
2. Beneficiation of proteins, enzymes, protein derived products and nutraceuticals from oilseeds and cereals: biochemical and biophysical characterization targeting specific end applications. Funded by CSIR-CFTRI. Duration: 2012-2014. Role: Member
3. Harnessing proteins and micro-constituents of flax (*Linum usitatissimum*) seed and pumpkin (*Cucurbita* sp.) seed and peel for health benefits (MLP 0153). Funded by CSIR-CFTRI. Duration: 2014-2016. Role: Member

### Invited talks

- 1) Talk entitled "Structural diversity and molecular basis for prebiotic potential of short chain  $\beta$ -manno-oligosaccharides in probiotic *Lactobacillus* sp. at the Annual Conference of Association of Microbiologist of India, 2019 at **Central University of Haryana, Mahendergarh, Haryana, India, 15-18<sup>th</sup> November, 2019**
- 2) Talk entitled "Rational designing and genetic engineering approaches to understand thermal stability and substrate hydrolysis in ManB-1601: A GH26 endo-mannanase from *Bacillus* sp." **at laboratory of Dr. D. Wade Abbott, Lethbridge Research and Development Centre, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Government of Canada, Lethbridge, Alberta. April 1, 2019.**
- 3) Talk entitled " $\beta$ -manno-oligosaccharides from galactomannans: Production, structural characterization and molecular basis of their utilization in probiotic *Lactobacillus* sp" **at the laboratory of Dr. Alisdair Boraston, Associate Professor, Department**

of Biochemistry and Microbiology, University of Victoria, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. April 11, 2019.

### **Scholarships & Awards**

- SERB Young Scientist start-up grant.
- Young Scientist Award (2005-2006) in Industrial Microbiology from Association of Microbiologist of India (AMI).
- Senior Research Fellowship (SRF) from Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Ministry of Science and Technology, Govt. of India, New Delhi.
- Senior Research Fellowship (SRF) from Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF), Govt. of India, New Delhi.
- CSIR-Raman Research Fellowship 2018

### **Reviewer for Journals**

FASEB, Biotechnology Letters, Applied Microbiology and Biotechnology, Bioresource Technology, LWT-Food Science and Technology, Process Biochemistry, Biotechnology for Biofuels, Carbohydrate Polymers, International Journal of Biological Macromolecules, Indian Journal of Microbiology, Annals of Microbiology, Journal of Food Science and Technology, Waste and Biomass Valorisation, Preparative Biochemistry and Biotechnology and FEBS open Bio

### **Presentation in Conference/Symposia**

1. Monica P and **Mukesh Kapoor (2019)**. Heterologous expression and biochemical characterization of GH11 endo- $\beta$ -1,4 xylanase from *Bacillus subtilis* for industrial applications. In: 7<sup>th</sup> Bioprocessing India conference, Dec 14-16, 2019, CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru, India.
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