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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

Degree	Year	Institution	Division / %age
Ph.D.(Molecular genetics)	1993 - 1997	University of Wales, Bangor, Gwynedd, UK	Excellent
M.Sc. (Hons.) Plant Breeding & Genetics	1986 - 1988	University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Pakistan	1 st Division (73%)
B.Sc. (Hons.) Plant Breeding & Genetics	1982 - 1986	University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Pakistan	1 st Division (68%)
Higher Secondary School Courses (HSSC)	1980 - 1982	Government Superior Science College, Karachi, Pakistan	2 nd Division (55%)
Secondary School Courses (SSC)	1979	Government High School, Sahiwal, Pakistan	1 st Division (65%)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Research Promoter** at the University of Agriculture, Pakistan (1982 To date)
- > Post-Graduate Research Fellow, University of Wales, Bangor, UK
- > Senior Scientific Officer, Central Cotton Research Institute, Multan, Pakistan. (1997-2006)
- Senior Scientific Officer, Central Cotton Research Institute, Sakrand, Pakistan. (2006-2007)
- Assistant Professor, Institute of Biotechnology, Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan, Pakistan (2007 to 2011)
- *Director*, Central Cotton Research Institute, Multan (13.05.2011 to 14.08.2011)
- > Officer Incharge, Cotton Research Station, Ghotki (15.08.2011 to 31.01.2017)
- **Director**, Central Cotton Research Institute, Multan (01.02.2017 to date)

PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS

More than 40 research papers published in reputed national and international journals.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- i) Since my Bachelor and Master Degrees, I have been massively involved in *Biostatistics* and *Hybrid Seed Production*.
- ii) I also have expertise in *Molecular Variations* in *Sclerosopra graminicola* Downy Mildew pathogen of Pearl Millet. During my PhD investigations, I have investigated Molecular Variations between and within Isolates of *Sclerosopra graminicola* of different countries (India and Africa). I have developed a protocol for Molecular studies of this pathogen with RAPD (Random Amplified Polymorphic DNA) and PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction).

- iii) Additionally, I have an experience of RFLP (Restricted Fragment Length Polymorphism) technique. I have scrutinised in the DNA of single oospore and single Zoospore Isolates of the pathogen. Furthermore research is being exploited for *Markers Assisted Selection* for the Downy Mildew resistance in Pearl Millet.
- iv) I am involved in the project of "the development of transgenic plant of cotton". Two new Cotton cultivars developed i.e. CIM-511, CIM-512, having maximum boll weight in Pakistan.
- v) 3000 strains of cotton have been developed having different trait for example Coloured cotton, Okra Leaf cultivar, Short Duration, Heat resistance etc.
- vi) Molecular characterization of encestors of the Gossypium hirsutum.
- vii) Identification of DNA markers linked to various traits (Virus resistance, 40 polymorphisims has been identified between virus resistant and virus susceptible genotypes) in cotton.
- viii) Identification of Monosome.
- ix) Genetic analysis of cotton gene pool revealed by RAPD-PCR.
- x) Interspecific hybridization for transffering the desirable traits from wild to cultivated cotton. A hybrid of *Gossypium hirsutum and Gossypium arboreum* was developed to solve the problem of leaf curl virus in cotton.
- xi) Development of transgenic cotton (**Bt** Cotton) resistant to bollworms and having desirable fibre characteristics at CCRI Multan. Introduced first time Local cotton cultivar with Bt. gene in the Pakistan. CIM-443GE, CIM-448GE, CIM-511, CIM-512 etc. were developed. Moreover, Bt. Cyto-515, Bt CIM-343, Bt. CIM-632 and Bt. CIM-663 are under field testing stage.

VARIETAL EVOLUTION AT CRS, GHOTKI

Top ranking Bt cotton strains in NCVT 2013 to 2019 i.e., GH-142, Baghdadi, Mubarak, Deebal, Haddi, Hamaliya, Sultan, Sanabaland Non-Bt strain Hammad were developed.

PROJECTS DEVELOPED

> Improvement of cotton genotypes through genetic engineering & biotechnology.

OBJECTIVE

> I would like to peruse for the *Molecular Genetics*.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

➤ Besides good academic record, I have also taken a good and an active participation in Muslim Activities as the *President* of <u>Bangor Islamic Society (BIS)</u>. Bangor Islamic Society was established in Bangor in 1962 and it is affiliated with Student Union of the University of Wales, Bangor, UK.

SUPERVISOR OF PHD/MPHILL SCHOLARS OF BZU

- Many PhD and MPhil scholars are completing their studies under my supervision.
- > Four PhD scholars from Institute of Pure and Applied Biology BZU, Multan completed their studies.
- Six MPhill Scholar Institute of Pure and Applied Biology BZU, Multan has completed their studies.
- > One MPhill Scholar from the Department of Chemistry, BZU, Multan has completed her studies.

EXTERNAL EXAMINAR FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

On the panel of University of Punjab, Lahore and Bahauddin Zakarya University, Multan for PhD/MPhil/MSc examinations

ESTABLISHMENT OF BIOTECH LAB

A well-equipped Biotechnology Laboratory established at Central Cotton Research Institute, Multan.

LIST OF RESEARCH PUBLICATION

- 1. Mahmood, Z., D.S. Shaw and J.R. Witcombe (1995). Molecular variation in *Sclerospora graminicola* Downy Mildew pathogen of Pearl Millet. International Symposium on Downy Mildews, 29 August 2 September, Thunersee, Switzerland.
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- 3. Ahmad, G., S.A. Malik, Z. Mahmood, M.Z. Iqbal, S. Ahmad and S. Ahmad. (2002). Effect of cotton leaf curl virus disease on morphology, yield and fibre characteristics of susceptible lines/cultivars of cotton (*Gossypium hirsutum* L.). Asian J. of Plant Sciences, 1(6):705-707
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- 12. Khan, K., A.R. Soomro, A. Perveen, Z. Mahmood, and Muhammad, I. Khan. (2004) Some investigations on sowing period effect on seed cotton yield in D. I. Khan. The Indus Cottons 1(2): 88-91.
- 13. Illahi, N., A.R. Soomro, Z. Mahmood, and K. Khan. (2004) To study whether fiber characters of cotton are under influence of planting dates. The Indus Cottons 1(2): 35-39.
- 14. Soomro, A.R., N. Illahi, Z. Mahmood, and K. Khan. (2004) How picking dates affect ginning outturn and fiber characteristics in cotton. The Indus Cottons 1(2): 29-34.
- 15. Mahmood, Z., Mohammad Q. Alam, A. A. Dasti and A. R. Soomro. (2004) Ancestors of *Gossypium hirsutum*: A molecular study. *International Symposium on "Strategies for sustainable cotton production: A Global Vision" Dharwad, India from 23-25th November*
- 16. Mahmood, Z., A. R. Soomro, K. Khan, N. Illahi & Muhammad Ishaq. (2005) Seedcotton yield comparison between transgenic Bt-cotton and non-transgenic Commercial Cotton. The Indus Cottons 2(1): 72-74.
- 19. Ahmad, G., S. A. Malik, Z. Mahmood and Muhammd Jamil. (2005) Inheritance pattern of cotton leaf curl virus resistance in upland cotton. The Indus cotton 2(2): 144-146.
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- 4. Sheikh, A.L., Z. Mahmood and Z. I. Anjum. (2000). Genetic engineering-Ghzai killat ka hal. The Pakistan Cottongrower. Vol.4(3):7-8.
- 5. Sheikh, A.L. and Z. Mahmood (2000). Bt. Cotton: A source to minimize environmental pollution. The Pakistan Cottongrower. Vol.4(3):9.
- 6. AbdulAziz and Z. Mahmood (2005). Kapas Ki Kasht Ke Lia Safarshat. The Pakistan Cottongrower. Vol.9(1):13-15.
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