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# <u>Job Objectíve</u>

Research & Development in concurrent with teachings in Biological Sciences and Biotechnology

# <u>Key Research accomplishments</u>

- Scientific contribution on tyrosine kinase inhibitor ZD6474, Caprelsa; FDA approved it for treatment for late-stage (metastatic) medullary thyroid cancer.
- Melanoma differentiation gene-7/ interleukin-24 (*mda*-7/IL-24): Phase I Clinical trial.
- Conditional replication-competent Adenovirus expressing mda-7/Il-24: Recruiting Phase II Clinical trial.
- Use of a Truncated CCN1 Promoter for Cancer Diagnostics, Therapeutics and Theranostics. (Patent).
- **Project Investigator (PI) for 2 year Post-doctoral research grant;** Department of Defense (DoD), Maryland, USA.

## Area of Specialization

Cell and Molecular Biology, Biochemistry, Cancer Biology, Genetics, Protein Production and purification, Stem cell research, Immunology, Molecular-genetic imaging, Nuclear imaging modalities, Nanotechnology.

## Academic Qualifications

PhD, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur, WB, INDIA	2011
MSc (Biotechnology), Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee, INDIA	2004
BSc (Bio-Chemistry), University of Delhi	2002
Division: All degrees obtained are 1 <sup>st</sup> Class	

## Details of employment

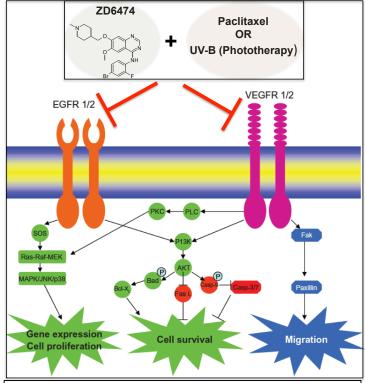
- 1. Post-doctoral Associate: Department of Pharmaceutics, Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy. Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, NJ, USA. October 2015- ongoing.
- 2. Post-doctoral research: Department of Human & Molecular Genetics, School of Medicine, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA, USA. Oct 2010- Sept 2015.

## <u>Research contribution</u>

### **Ph.D Research (2006-2011)**

Molecular & Cell Biology and Cancer Biology: The molecular effect of ZD6474, a dual tyrosine kinase inhibitor of epidermal growth factor receptor and vascular endothelial growth factor receptor on breast cancer progression and treatment.

Abnormalities in gene expression and signaling pathways downstream of the epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) and vascular endothelial growth factor receptor (VEGFR) contribute to the progression, invasion, and maintenance of malignant phenotype in human cancers, including breast. We have shown that breast cancer cells can be selectively programmed to cell death or decreased cell proliferation by targeting dual tyrosine kinase EGFR and VEGFR by tyrosine kinase inhibitor-ZD6474. In combination therapy, ZD6474 enhances the efficacy of chemotherapy (paclitaxel) and radiotherapy (UV-B) by inhibiting cell proliferation, migration and metastasis. The combination of ZD6474 with paclitaxel or UV-B versus either agent alone also more potently



ZD6474, a dual kinase inhibitor of both EGFR and VEGFR in combination with Paclitaxel or radiation (UV-B) inhibits proliferation, cell survival, migration and induces apoptosis in breast cancer cells.

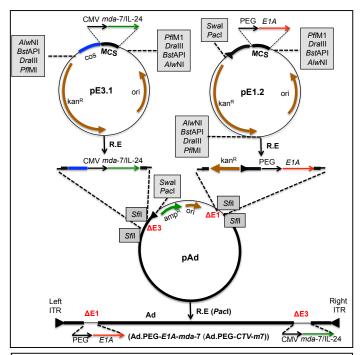
down-regulated the anti-apoptotic bcl-2 protein, upregulated pro-apoptotic signaling events involving the expression of bax, activation of caspase-3 and caspase-7 proteins, and induced poly(ADP-ribose) These polymerase resulting in apoptosis. observations have considerable potential clinical relevance for patients with locally advanced metastatic breast cancer, where clinical studies of dose-intensive paclitaxel therapy and radiotherapy are currently in progress. Moreover, the local administration of chemotherapeutic drugs often leads to nonspecific distribution in the body via circulatory system. This resulted in cytotoxicities to normal cells other than tumor nest. Nanoparticle (AuNp) assisted drug (ZD6474) delivery system will play a crucial role in tissue and site specific drug delivery with lesser cytotoxicity and greater efficiency. The recurring problem of cancer therapies is the development of chemo-resistance. Thus. the development of chemo (paclitaxel)-resistant breast

cancer cell line will help in elucidation of molecules that may be targeted to sensitize and overcome chemo-resistance to conventional therapies.

#### Post-doctoral Research (2010-2015):

Genetics, oncology, molecular biology, transgenic animal models of cancer, Molecular imaging, targeted delivery and chemistry:

Gene therapy in pancreatic cancer in combination with chemoprevention agent or small molecule inhibitor: Pancreatic cancer remains one of the deadliest of all cancers despite aggressive surgical treatment combined with adjuvant radiotherapy and chemotherapy. Chemo-resistance and radio-resistance are the principal causes of failure of pancreatic cancer patients to respond to therapy. Conditionally replication competent adenovirus (CRCA)-based cancer gene therapy is an innovative strategy for treating cancers displaying inherent resistance to treatment. Limitations of current adenovirus (Ad)-based gene therapies for malignant tumors include lack of cancer-specificity, and effective and targeted delivery. To remedy this situation, CRCAs have been designed that express *E1A*, necessary for Ad replication, under the control of a cancer-specific progression elevated gene-3 promoter (PEG-Prom) with concomitant expression of an immunomodulatory cytokine, such as *mda*-7/IL-24 under the control of a ubiquitous and strong cytomegalovirus promoter (CMV-Prom) from the E3 region. These bipartite CRCAs, when armed with a transgene, are called cancer terminator viruses (CTVs), i.e., Ad.PEG-E1A-CMV-*mda*-7 (Ad.PEG-CTV-*m*7) because of their universal effectiveness in cancer treatment irrespective of genetic alterations in tumor cells. In addition to their selective oncolytic effects in tumor cells, the potent 'bystander antitumor' properties of MDA-



Cloning of conditionally replication competent Adenovirus; Ad.PEG-E1A-mda-7 (Ad.PEG-CTV-m7). Cancer selective PEG-prom regulating the expression of E1A is inserted into the deleted E1A ( $\Delta E1A$ ) and CMV regulating mda-7 /IL-24 gene in the deleted E3 ( $\Delta E3$ ) of Adenovirus plasmid (pAd).

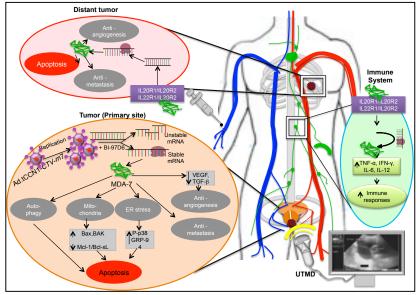
cancers where all other strategies have proven ineffective.

7/IL-24 embody the CTVs with expanded treatment properties for both primary and distant cancers. Pancreatic cancer cells display a "translational block" of mda-7/IL-24 mRNA, limiting production of MDA-7/IL-24 protein and cancer-specific apoptosis. Specific chemopreventive agents inducing reactive oxygen species abrogate this "translational block" resulting in pancreatic cancer-specific killing. This combination synergistically induces mda-7/IL-24-mediated cancerspecific apoptosis by inhibiting anti-apoptotic Bcl-xL and Bcl-2 protein expression and inducing an endoplasmic reticulum (ER) stress response through induction of BiP/GRP-78, which is most evident in chimeric-modified non-replicating Ad.5/3-mda-7- and replicating Ad.5/3-PEG-CTV-m7 infected pancreatic cancer cells. Moreover, Ad.5/3-PEG-CTV-m7 combination with POH sensitizes therapy-resistant MIAPaCa-2 cell lines over-expressing either Bcl-2 or Bcl-xL to mda-7/IL-24-mediated apoptosis. Ad.5/3-PEG-CTV-m7 plus POH also exerts a significant antitumor 'bystander' effect in vivo suppressing both primary and distant site tumor growth. This novel chemoprevention gene therapy (CGT) strategy holds promise for both prevention and treatment of pancreatic

### <u>Research grant:</u>

#### Developing an effective therapy for prostate cancer. (2011-2013):

Despite recent advances, treatment options for advanced prostate cancer (CaP) remain limited. We are pioneering approaches to treat advanced CaP that employ conditionally replication-competent oncolytic adenoviruses that simultaneously produce a systemically active cancer-specific therapeutic cytokine, *mda*-7/IL-24, Cancer Terminator Viruses (CTV). A truncated version of the CCN1/CYR61 gene promoter, tCCN1-Prom, was more active than progression elevated gene-3 promoter (PEG-Prom) in regulating transformation-selective transgene expression in CaP and oncogene-transformed rat embryo cells. Accordingly, we developed a new CTV, Ad.tCCN1-CTV-*m*7, which displayed dose-dependent killing of CaP without harming normal prostate epithelial cells *in vitro* with significant anti-cancer activity *in vivo* in both nude mouse CaP xenograft and transgenic Hi-*myc* mice (using ultrasound targeted microbubble (MB)-destruction, UTMD, with decorated MBs). Resistance to *mda*-7/IL-24-induced cell death is correlated with overexpression of Bcl-2 family proteins. Inhibiting Mcl-1 using an enhanced BH3 mimetic, BI-97D6, sensitized CaP cell lines to mda-7/IL-24-induced



apoptosis. Combining BI-97D6 with Ads expressingmda-7/IL-24 promoted ER stress, decreased anti-apoptotic Mcl-1 expression and enhanced *mda*-7/IL-24 expression through

Ad.tCCN1-CTV-m7 and BI-97D6 eradicates prostate cancer: Ad.tCCN1-CTV-m7 was mixed with targeted microbubble (MB) specific to bind with prostate tumor vasculature overexpressing VCAM, and injected i.v followed by delivery in the prostate region by ultrasound targeted microbubble destruction (UTMD) approach. Following infection, Ad.tCCN1-CTV-m7 selectively replicates in CaP cells with surplus production of *mda*-7/IL-24, which on translation produced secretory cytokine MDA-7/IL-24. MDA-7 induced apoptosis via Bcl-2 dependent (mitochondria), ER stress or toxic autophagy in prostate tumor (primary site of infection). BI-97D6 synergistically co-operates with Ad.tCCN1-CTV-m7 in inducing cancer specific apoptosis. BI-97D6 also stabilized mda-7/IL-24 mRNA further enhancing the activity of mda-7/IL-24. The secreted MDA-7/IL-24 acts on adjacent uninfected CaP cells or tumor located distantly (lung, bone metastasis) via receptor dimerization and signal transduction culminating into cancer-specific apoptosis. It can also activate anti-tumor-immune responses in further exhilarating the antitumor effect of MDA-7/IL-24, and thus eradicates CaP including metastasis

mRNA stabilization selectively in CaP cells. In Hi-*myc* mice, the combination induced enhanced apoptosis and tumor growth suppression. These studies highlight therapeutic efficacy of combining a BH3 mimetic with a novel CTV, supporting potential clinical applications for treating advanced CaP.

#### **Patent:**

#### Use of a truncated CCN1 promoter for cancer diagnostics, therapeutics and theranostics:

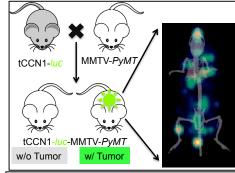


Figure 1: Genetically modified (Canmet-view) mouse to view cancer and metastases. Transgenic mouse containing tCCN1-luc vector crossed with breast cancer MMTV-PyMT mouse to generate tCCN1-luc-MMTV-PyMT mouse that upon transformation yield luminescence signal as observed via Bioluminescence imaging system.

Recombinant vectors in which expression of one or more elements (e.g. genes required for viral replication, detectable imaging agents, therapeutic agents, etc.) are driven by a truncated CCN1 cancer selective promoter (tCCN1-Prom) are provided, as are cells and transgenic animals that contain such vectors. The vectors are used in cancer therapy and/or diagnostics, and the transgenic mice are used to monitor cancer progression, e.g. in screening assays. As a proof-of-principal we have developed a double transgenic mice (tCCN1-luc-Hi-mvc and tCCN1-luc-PyMT-MMTV) by crossing transgenic tCCN1-luc mice with established transgenic cancer mice (Hi-mvc and PyMT-MMTV) mice of various origin that upon transformation (development of cancer) activated the CCN1prom leading to the subsequent expression of the linked luciferase transgene as detected by non-invasive bioluminescence imaging approach to monitor tumor kinetics. We have also shown successfully that these double transgenic cancer mice could be explored and used in clinical settings in observing the subsequent treatment outcome of various anticancer agents.

## Professional Recognitions, Awards, and Fellowships received

- **Project Investigator** (PI) for 2 year Post-doctoral fellowship grant (W81XWH-11-1-018) (Developing an Effective Therapy for Prostate Cancer) from Department of Defense, U.S. Army Medical Research and Material Command.
- Received Travel grant from Department of Defense, U.S. Army Medical Research and Material Command to defend my Late breaking abstract and to attend the Annual Meeting 2013 held at Washington DC organized by American Association for Cancer Research.
- Received Travel grant from Department of Biotechnology, India and also from Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur, India to attend the international symposium "VIII Madrid Breast Cancer Conference", Madrid, Spain (June 2009)
- Won first prize in poster presentation in International Conference "Emerging Trends in Biological Sciences", KIIT Bhubaneswar, Bhubaneswar, India. Oct 2008.
- Won first prize in National Level Technical Festival "Cognizance-2004" held at IIT Roorkee for model making competition "The Motifs".
- Won first prize in National Level Technical Festival "Cognizance-2004" held at IIT Roorkee for Poster making competition.
- Awarded CSIR-JRF (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research- Junior Research Scholar) and screened for SPM (Shyma Prasad Mukherjee) award on the merit basis for NET Examination (June 2004).
- Awarded scholarship for Masters programme (**Rank 3** in admission exam for PG (Biotechnology), IIT Roorkee) in Biotechnology on Merit basis sponsored by DBT (Department of Biotechnology, India) (June 2002).

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