

PhD supervisor



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Potential areas for PhD supervision:

- Waste management & Pollution mitigation

Supervising experience:

- 4 PhD students (2 Awarded & 2 ongoing)
- 43 MSc students
- Determination of plastic/microplastic loads in the urban and rural water bodies and their environmental effect
- Climate migration

Employment history in last 5 years:

- 2012 2022: Dept. Of Environmental Sciences, School of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala, H.P., India
- 2022 present: Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Sciences, School of Life Sciences, Pondicherry University, Puducherry, India

Membership of professional association:

Since 2008 ... Alumni of Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Germany

Education – since bachelor degree:

∼ PhD in Science

2002-2007, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, West Bengal, India; Graduate work was carried out at Department of Microbiology, Bose Institute, Kolkata, India.

∼ MSc in Chemistry

1997-1999, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, West Bengal, India; Presidency College, Kolkata.

∼ BSc in Chemistry (Honrs.)

1994-1997, University of Calcutta, Kolkata, West Bengal, India





Selected recent papers:

- Mahajan, R⁺., Verma, S⁺., Chatterjee, S^{*}. Biodegradation of Organophosphorus pesticide Profenofos by the bacterium Bacillus sp. PF1 and elucidation of initial degradation pathway. Environmental Technology (Taylor & Francis), 2021. In Press. DOI:10.1080/09593330.2021.1976282 [2020 IF: 3.247; Citation: 1]
- Verma, S., Singh, D., Chatterjee, S*. Malathion biodegradation by a psychrotolerant bacteria Ochrobactrum sp. M1D and metabolic pathway analysis. Letters in Applied Microbiology (Wiley), 2021. 73 (3): 326-335. Link: doi:10.1111/lam.13517 [2020 IF: 2.85; Citation: 2].
- Sharma, S*., Sharma, V., Chatterjee, S*. Microplastics in the Mediterranean Sea: Sources, Pollution Intensity, Sea Health and Regulatory Policies. Frontiers in Marine Science, section Marine Pollution (Frontiers), 2021, 8: 494 [2020 IF: 4.91; Citation: 6].
- Verma, S., Chatterjee, S*. Biodegradation of Profenofos, an acetylcholine esterase inhibitor by a psychrotolerant strain Rahnella sp. PFF2 and degradation pathway analysis. International Biodeterioration & Biodegradation (Elsevier), 2021, 158:105169 [2020 IF: 4.32; Citation: 7].
- Verma, S., Singh, D., Chatterjee, S*. Biodegradation of Organophosphorus pesticide chlorpyrifos by Sphingobacterium sp. C1B, a psychrotolerant bacterium isolated from apple orchard in Himachal Pradesh of India. Extremophiles (Springer), 2020, 24: 897–908 [2020 IF: 2.39; Citation: 8].
- Mahajan, R., Verma, S⁺., Kushwaha, M⁺., Singh, D., Akhter, Y^{*}., Chatterjee, S^{*}. Biodegradation of di-n-butyl phthalate by psychrotolerant Sphingobium yanoikuyae strain P₄ and protein structural analysis of carboxylesterase involved in the pathway. International Journal of Biological Macromolecules (Elsevier), 2019, 122:806-816 [2020 IF: 6.95; Citation: 20]
- Sharma, S., Chatterjee, S*. Microplastic Pollution, a Threat to Marine Ecosystem and Human Health: A Short Review. Environmental Science and Pollution Research, (Springer), 2017, 24:21530–21547. [2020 IF: 4.22; Citation: 456]

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