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Employment

Chair, Department of Chemistry, Michigan Tech, Houghton, MI	2023-
Professor (Tenured), Department of Chemistry, Michigan Tech, Houghton, MI	2023-
Chair, Department of Chemistry, University of Winnipeg	2015-2023
Visiting Professor, College of Pharmacy, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH	2021-2022
Professor (Tenured), Department of Chemistry, University of Winnipeg	2001-2023
Adjunct Professor, Department of Chemistry, University of Manitoba	2002-2021
Adjunct Professor, International Centre for Chemical and Biological Science University of Karachi, Karachi, Pakistan	2018-
Visiting Professor, Department of Chemistry, Bradley University, Peoria, IL	2008-2009
Research Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL	2000-2001
Postdoctoral Research Associate, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL	1998-2000
Assistant Professor, Petroleum and Petrochemicals Research Institute, King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	1997-98
Research Officer, H.E.J. Research Institute of Chemistry, University of Karachi, Karachi, Pakistan	1995-1997

Education

PhD (Chemistry), University of Karachi, Karachi, Pakistan	1996
MSc (Chemistry), University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Pakistan	1989
BSc University of Karachi, Karachi, Pakistan	1987

Administrative Work at the University of Winnipeg

Departmental Level Committee Work

Department Personnel Committee
Department Review Committee
Visiting Lecturer Committee
Instrumental Committee
Curriculum Committee,
Community Outreach Committee
Search Committees for Chemistry
Student Award Committee,
Ad Hoc Committee on Graduate Studies
Department Research Committee
Lab Fee Spending Committee
Lab Teaching Evaluation Committee
Red River College, Joint Program

University Level Committee Work

Coordinator, Biochemistry Program
Faculty Appeal Committee
Curriculum Planning Committee
Teaching Development Committee

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Distinguished Lecture Committee
Academic Standards Committee
UW Radiation Safety Committee
Senate
Senate Executive
Senate Budget Review Committee
Senate Nominating Committee
Ad Hoc Committee on the Senate Standing Rules
Study Leave Committee
Faculty and Staff Award Committee
Faculty Tenure and Promotion Committee
Dean Search Committee
Science Chair Council
Academic Misconduct Appeal Committee
University of Winnipeg Faculty Association
Board of Regents
TPCAC

Selected Professional Related Activities

Funding raising for Department of Chemistry, Michigan Tech scholarships and events (USD \$52,000) 2025
Funding raising for Department of Chemistry, University of Winnipeg scholarships and events (over Canadian \$80,000) 2015-2019
Organized the Canadian Institute of Chemistry (CIC) AGM at the University of Winnipeg in June 2003
Arranged to collect funds for the CIC Student Award Night held at the University of Winnipeg in October 2003
Organized CIC AGM at the University of Winnipeg in August 2005
Treasurer, Biological and Medicinal Chemistry, Canadian Society of Chemistry 2006-2007
Member, Organizing Committee, 10th International Symposium on Natural Product Chemistry, January 2006, Karachi
Fund raising (\$ 10,000) for symposia in Biological and Medicinal Chemistry Division, Canadian Society of Chemistry 2006-2007.
Member of Organizing Committee, 90th Canadian Society of Chemistry Conference, May 2007, Winnipeg.
Member, International Advisory Committee, The First Conference on Science Diplomacy and Developments in Chemistry, November 2012, Egypt
Member, International Advisory Committee, 4th International Symposium-cum-Training Course on Molecular Medicine and Drug Research, International Center for Chemical and Biological Sciences, University of Karachi, Pakistan, January, 2013
Member, International Advisory Committee, First International Conference for Biochemical and Chemical Sciences, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Pakistan, February 24-26, 2014
Member, International Advisory Committee, 1st International Conference on Advancements in Biotechnology, Government College for Women University, Faisalabad, Pakistan, March 2016
Member Advisory Committee, Manitoba Chemistry Symposium Series, Winnipeg, MB, 2018-

Teaching Activities:

Undergraduate Courses:

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Organic Chemistry; Organic Synthesis; Spectroscopy: Structure Determination of Organic Compounds; Inorganic Chemistry II: Coordination and Organometallic Chemistry; Synthetic Organic Medicinal Chemistry; Reaction Mechanisms; Medicinal Chemistry; Research Project in Chemistry; Directed Studies in Chemistry; Professional in Chemistry

Graduate Courses:

Florida Atlantic University

Synthesis and Characterization of Organic Compounds

University of Manitoba

Total Synthesis of Natural Products; Synthetic Organic Medicinal Chemistry; MS and NMR Characterization of Natural Products

Students supervised:

Students supervised for undergraduate research:

- 2001 Hla Y. Win
- 2002 Jason Nachtigall, David Holt, Joe Ackerman, Mark Mcansoy
- 2003 Peter Wojeiechowski, Leigha Conci, Navtej Dhaliwal, Orysia Zaporozan, Ammanda Lambrecht
- 2004 Shabnam Bashiri, Tim McDowell, Jordon Betteridge, Courtney Didduck, Leif Larsen, Steve Towski
- 2005 Chiomi Sasaki, Emmanuel Schaub, Zhang Wong, Yang Liu, Robert Vanderchili, Annu Arora, Younas Negasi, Younathan Gebrekidan
- 2006 Emilie Coudiere, Chad Inverson, Drew Harwanik, Nathan Mbong
- 2007 Stephanie Van Den Bosch, Elikana Gale, Grant Pidwinski, Tina Khoury
- 2008 Laura Marginet, Elena Bykova,
- 2009 Daniel Kozra, Cheuk Lam, Wing Lau, David Grace, Xiang Li, Yang Li, Jacelyn Tan
- 2010 Tyler Atichson, Aboud Zaid, Demaris Tan, Ursula Hrysio, William Rings
- 2011 Caitlin Bartel, Sear Noodrat, Irena Kovacevic, Jacob Koir, Andrew Wakeman, Eyobe Asus, Breanne Berg
- 2012 Keara Haswell, Eugene Balashovets, Katherina Singh Kang, Jaisal Parshotam, Jennifer Bao
- 2013 Mike Myschyshyn, Joshua Ferguson, Robyn Thorington, Robert Emes, Jessica Parshotam, Alla Pyrryma, Jingfang Zhao, Tharmini Rathinagopal, Tasnim H. Beacon, Vivin S. Zacharia
- 2014 Ian A McAmmond, Maria K. E. Palazo, Samar Mraiza, Patrick O. Bello, Alex Hutfluss, Matthew Wiebe, Matthew M. Levesque, Kevin Sharma, Steven Reda, Anju Aravind
- 2015 Andrea Dypiangco, Alejandro A. Luchoni, Ande Che, Mandeep Brar, Rachel William, Jenella L.Co,
- 2016 Fernando Esposito, Regine Ayano Abseyinghe, Josh H. Koria, Rajprit Sidhu, Aviegaille B. Icbn, Joseph Maiko Soriano, Jake J. Blackner, Ryan M. Cantor, Joseph Maiko Soriano, Anthony I. Okeke, Salfie Bhathal
- 2017 Lucy Wong, Navjot Kaur, Alissa Yangirov, Ivander Singh, Andres Garcia Fiola, Aiyub Haidar
- 2018 Becklu Negash, Chimonosa Njkou, Michael Allieu, Andrew Fast, Jessica Fries, Emma Wolf, Oluwatobiloba Ajayi, Amandeep Jassal
- 2019 Spencer Ferbers, Harjot Sindhu, Mahida Ahmad, Chantal Dozois, Abram Neufeld, Gurleen Cheema, Amandeep Jassal
- 2020 Anna Wade, Justine Bercier-eyer, Sabha Chandi, Shivani Sharma, Nathan Clatworthy, Cadie Arbez-Rondeau. Ashley King, Thomas Manuel
- 2021 Jhaniel James, Sabha Chandi, Jashandeep Kaur, Shivani Sharma, Anna wade, Chris-Tiann Roberts, Lwam H. Kidane

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- 2022 Ruhi Akhter, Sumaiya Abas, Deepkanwal Thind, Arshdeep Warha, Liu Kwan Nok, Hannah Cole, Dhaya Shankaran P, Camille Faure, Shivi Goyal, Mystica Amonnyi, Sarah Thmopson, Navjot Kaur Rai, Amamda Remmetter
- 2023 Melissa Harward, Marcela Collaguazo, Jibril Hussein, Corey Vaughn Daryl Sanderson, Biement Abera Beiment Abera, Manav Desai

Research Technicians

April Mcelrea, Abin James and Jemima Manual

Supervision of Graduate Students (M.Sc./Ph.D.)

Student Graduated

- 2005 Zaheer Uddin Babar
- 2007 Chibuike Udenigwe, Sarfraz Akhtar, Jordan Bettridge
- 2008 Drew Hawranik, Kosmulalage S. Kalhari
- 2009 Shams-ul-Haq Zahid
- 2010 Wadim Matochko, Chad Iverson
- 2011 Anthony Agomuoh, Ahmed Shoqafi
- 2012 Cheuk Wing Lam
- 2013 Uvarani Chokkalingam
- 2014 Nadia Asif, Manal AlMalki
- 2015 Madiha Sahar Khan, Chandra Prakash, Madiha Riasat, Talent Makhanya
- 2017 Madelyn N. Moawad, Thangaraj Arasakumar, Mohamed S. M. A. E. Hafez
- 2018 Rehab Ahmed
- 2019 Onyema T. Chukwubuka, Aneesa
- 2020 Aisha Majeed, Sania Izhar
- 2021 Hadeel Alhazmi, Samantha Tinkler
- 2022 Renaud Arousseau
- 2024 Simran Sidhu, Omowunmi Aworinde
- 2025 Peter Agyemang

Graduate Student Supervision in Progress

2024-2028: Jiji Geyesa, Krishna Pokharel, Henry Lanquaye, Reyn White, Adonis Amoli

Postdoctoral Fellows and Visiting Scientists:

- 2023 Dr. Peter Edjidike
- 2018 Dr. seyed Abdulmajid Ayatollahi
- 2010 Dr. Julius K.Adesanwo
- 2008 Dr. Nighat Sultana
- 2007 Dr. Muhammad Qaisar and Dr. Muhammad Zubair
- 2006 Dr. Haq Nawaz Bhatti
- 2004 Dr. Radhika Samarasekera and Dr. K.D. P. Hemalal
- 2003 Dr. Amal M. Youssef
- 2002 Dr. Ilkay Orhan

Served as Member of PhD Advisory/Examination Committee (60 students at the following universities)

University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB
University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK
University of Wollongong NSW, Australia
University of Technology, Selangor, Malaysia

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Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India
Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur, India
Anna University, Chennai, India
Durban University of Technology, Durban, South Africa
Khyber Pukhunkhwa Agriculture University, Peshawar, Pakistan
Islamia University, Bhawalpur, Pakistan
University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Muzaffarabad, Pakistan
Federal Urdu University of Science and Technology, Karachi, Pakistan
University of Peshawar, Peshawar, Pakistan
University of Karachi, Karachi, Pakistan

RESEARCH GRANTS AWARDED

Natural Product Chemistry Research, (\$100,000), Michigan Tech, Houghton MI (PI A. Ata)
Centre for Molecular Determination, (\$ 300,000), Canadian Foundation of Innovation, (PIs J. Ritch, A. Ata and C. Wiebe) 2022-2023.
Phytochemical Studies on Medicinally Important Plants (\$ 45,000), Natural Science and Engineering Research Council, Canada-Discovery Development Grant (PI A. Ata), 2020-23.
Phytochemical Studies on Medicinally Important Plants (\$5,000), The University of Winnipeg Grant (PI A. Ata), 2020.
Mass Spectrometer for use in Chemistry Research at the University of Winnipeg (\$ 121,000), Natural Science and Engineering Research Council, Canada Research Tool and Instrument Grant, (PI A. Ata), 2019.
Mass Spectrometry of Bioactive Natural Products (\$7,500), Major Research Grant, University of Winnipeg (PI A. Ata), 2019.
First Manitoba Chemistry Symposium (\$ 2000), Conference Grant, University of Winnipeg (PI A. Ata), 2018.
Novel Enzyme Inhibiting Natural Products from Aboriginal Medicinal Plants of Manitoba and Their Chemo-Enzymatic Synthesis (\$ 2000), Travel Grant, University of Winnipeg (PI A. Ata), 2016.
Phytochemical Studies on Medicinally Important Plants (\$ 140,000), Natural Science and Engineering Research Council, Canada-Discovery Grant (PI A. Ata), 2015-2020.
Exploiting the Benefits of Conifer of Fungal Endophytes, (\$ 29,000), Manitoba Hydro Forest Enhancement Program, MB (PIs A. Ata and P. Holloway), 2014-2016.
Phytochemical Studies on Medicinally Important Plants (\$ 26,000), Natural Science and Engineering Research Council, Canada-Discovery Grant (PI A. Ata), 2014.
Development of UV-VIS-NIR Spectrophotometry Technique for Wine Chemical Analysis (\$25,000), Natural Science and Engineering Research Council, Canada-Engage Grant (PI A. Ata), 2014.
Exploiting the Benefits of Conifer of Fungal Endophytes, (\$ 29,542), Manitoba Hydro Forest Enhancement Program, MB (PIs: A. Ata and P. Holloway), 2012-2014
Identification of Bioactive Natural Products from Plants, (\$ 54,000) Manitoba Health Research Council (Current Name: Research Manitoba), MB (PI A. Ata), 2010-2011.
Phytochemical Studies on Medicinally Important Plants (\$ 27,000), Natural Science and Engineering Research Council, Canada-Discovery Grant (PI A. Ata), 2009.
400 MHz NMR for Chemistry Research (\$ 97,450), Natural Science and Engineering Research Council, Canada Research Tool and Instrument Grant, (PI A. Ata) 2008.
400 MHz NMR for Chemistry Research (\$ 150,000), University of Winnipeg, 2008

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Fungal Catalysis of Marine Natural Product (US\$ 2,500), American Society of Pharmacognosy, USA (PI A. Ata) 2008.

Microbial Transformations of Bioactive Natural Products (\$10,000) Graduate Exchange Student Program, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trades, Government of Canada (PI A. Ata), 2008.

Discovery of New Pharmaceuticals From Medicinally Important Plants of Pakistan, (US\$ 10,000), Higher Education Commission of Pakistan, 2007.

Identification of Glutathione S-Transferase (GST) Inhibiting Natural Products from a Marine Soft Coral of Genus *Cladiella*, (\$ 2,500) American Society of Pharmacognosy (PI A. Ata), 2006.

Discovery of Bioactive Natural Products form the Flora of Manitoba (\$ 129,000), MAFRI, Government of Manitoba, (PIs: Holloway and A. Ata), 2006.

Microbial Transformation of Bioactive Natural Products (US\$ 2,500) American Society of Pharmacognosy USA (PI A. Ata), 2005.

Discovery of Anti-Malarial Natural Products (\$ 5,000), The University of Winnipeg (PI A. Ata), 2005.

Phytochemical Studies on Medicinally Important Plants, (\$125,000), Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council, Canada-Discovery Grant (PI A. Ata), 2004-2008.

Discovery of New Pharmaceuticals from Medicinally Important Plants (\$ 3,000), The University of Winnipeg Major Internal Research Grant (PI A. Ata), 2004.

Microbial Transformation of Bioactive Natural Products (\$ 5,000), Pfizer Canada (PI A. Ata), 2004.

Synthesis of Hydroxyquinoline Derivatives, Aminohydroxy-chromene, Aminocoumarin and their Anti-bacterial Activities (\$ 750), The University of Winnipeg, Discretionary Grant (PI A. Ata), 2004.

Plants Natural Products Chemistry- A Drug Discovery Program (\$ 4,000), The University of Winnipeg Major Internal Research Grant, (PI A. Ata), 2003.

Travel Grant for ASP Meeting, (\$ 750), The University of Winnipeg, (PI A. Ata), 2003.

Microbial Transformations of Bioactive Sesquiterpenes (US\$ 2,500), American Society of Pharmacognosy, USA (PI A. Ata), 2003.

Microbial Transformation of Bioactive Marine Natural Products (US \$ 20,800/year), Cottrell College Science Award, Research Corporation, USA (PI A. Ata), 2002-2004.

Isolation of New Pharmaceutical Agents from South Asian Medicinal Plants (\$ 15,000), UW-CHIR (Canadian Institute of Health Research), (PIs: A. Ata and Co-PI- P. Hollway) 2002-2003.

Microbial Transformations of Pseudopterins-2002 Pfizer Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (US\$ 5,000), Pfizer corporation, USA (PI A. Ata), 2002.

Synthesis of Anti-inflammatory Agents (\$ 50,000), Cronus Pharma, (PIs: A. Ata and Alaa S. Abd-el-Aziz), 2002-2003.

Discovery of Novel Anti-Microbial Agents, (\$ 1,400) Human Resources Canada, 2002.

Fungal Transformations of Marine Natural Products (\$ 5,000). The University of Winnipeg Major Internal Research Grant, (PI A. Ata), 2002.

Discovery of New Pharmaceutical Agents and Microbial Transformation of Bioactive Natural Products” (\$ 15,000) University of Winnipeg Start-up Grant, 2001.

Collection of Marine Microorganisms and Biosynthesis of Marine Natural Products” Funding for May 2002 Twelve days ship time aboard the R/V Bellows (US \$34,000), Florida Institute of Oceanography (PIs: R. Kerr and A. Ata), 2001.

Biosynthesis of Marine Natural Products, Funding for May 2001 Twelve days ship time aboard the R/V Bellows (US\$24,000), Florida Institute of Oceanography (PIs: R. Kerr and A. Ata), 2000.

Development of Plant-Based Pesticides (US \$ 50,000), Department of Science and Technology, Pakistan (PIs Atta-ur-Rahman, M. Iqbal Choudhary and A. Ata), 1996-1997.

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Microbial Transformations of Bioactive Natural Products (US\$ 5000), Third World Academy of Sciences, Italy, (PI A. Ata), 1996.

INVITED LECTURES AT UNIVERSITIES

Department of Chemistry and Center of Advanced Studies in Chemistry, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India, November 22, 2024.

Department of Chemistry, Northern Michigan University, Marquette, MI, November 19, 2024.

Department of Chemistry, Michigan Technological University, Houghton MI, April 15, 2023.

Department of Chemistry, Augusta University, Augusta, GA, February 16, 2023.

Department of Chemistry, University of Illinois, Normal, IL, USA Feb 2022

Department of Chemistry, University of Tennessee at Martin, TN, February 2020

Faculty of Science, Langara College, Vancouver, BC, May 2019

Faculty of Science, University of New Brunswick, NB, May 2017

Department of Chemistry, Eastern Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN February, 2107

Akhuwat First University, Faisalabad Pakistan, January, 2017.

Department of Chemistry, Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore, Pakistan, February 2014.

Department of Chemistry, University of Faisalabad, Faisalabad, Pakistan, June 2013.

Department of Chemistry, Forman Christian College, Lahore, Pakistan, January 2011.

Department of Chemistry, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan, October 2010.

Department of Applied Sciences, Papua New Guinea University of Technology, Lae, Papua New Guinea, December 2009.

Department of Chemistry, Cape Breton University, Sydney, NS, March 2009.

Department of Natural Sciences, Western New Mexico University, Silver City March 2008.

Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Bradley University, Peoria, IL, USA, April 2007.

Department of Chemistry, University of Arkansas, Fort Smith, AR, USA, April 2007.

Department of Chemistry, University of Peshawar, Peshawar, Pakistan, Jan 2006

Department of Chemistry, Allama Iqbal Open University, Islamabad, Pakistan, Jan. 2006.

H.E.J. Research Institute of Chemistry, International Institute for Chemical and Biological Sciences, University of Karachi, Karachi, Pakistan, Dec. 2005.

Institute of Chemistry, Punjab University, Lahore, Pakistan, Dec. 2005.

Department of Chemistry, G.C. University, Faisalabad, Pakistan, Dec. 2005.

Department of Chemistry, Eastern Washington University, Cheney, WA, May 2004.

Department of Chemistry, University of Regina, Regina, SK, Canada, March 2004.

Department of Chemistry, Saint Xavier Francis University, NS, Canada Sept. 20, 2003.

Department of Chemistry, Purdue University Calumet, Hammond, IN, May 2003

Department of Chemistry, Acadia University, Wolfville, NS, Canada, March 10, 2003.

Department of Chemistry, University of Texas Pan American, Edinburg, TX, April 09, 2002.

Department of Chemistry, Minot State University, Minot, ND 58707, USA, March 2002.

Department of Chemistry, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Pakistan, February 2002.

Department of Chemistry, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, Canada, March 2002.

Department of Chemistry, The University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, Canada, January, 2001.

Department of Chemistry, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada, April, 2001.

Department of Chemistry, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL-33431, USA, October 2000.

King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, August 1997.

INVITED/PLENARY SPEAKER AT CONFERENCES

Natural Products Chemistry Based Drug Discovery Program: Hopes and Disappointments, 4th International Conference on Chemical & Pharmaceutical Sciences: Innovation to Commercialization, Forman Christian College (A Chartered University) Lahore, Pakistan, January 22-24, 2025.

Natural Products and Pharmaceutical Industry, International Symposium Drug Discovery and Development, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Pakistan, March 4-5, 2024.

Enzyme Inhibiting Natural Products from Medicinally Important Plants of Manitoba, Recent Advances in Photonics and Physical Sciences, Govt. College for Women University, Faisalabad, Pakistan, March 7-9, 2023.

Natural Products and Their Biomedical Applications, 3rd international conference on "Chemical and Pharmaceutical Sciences: New Trends in Medicinal & Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Lahore, Pakistan, January 29-31, 2020.

Bioactive Natural Products from Medicinally Important Plants, 3rd International Conference on Recent Innovation in Pharmaceutical Sciences, Riphah International University, Islamabad, Pakistan, March 13-14, 2019

Synthesis of Bioactive Heterocyclic Compounds, 1st International Conference on "Drug Discovery against Cancer and other Diseases (DDCD-2019), University of Swabi, Pakistan February 11, 12, 2019.

Plant Natural Product Chemistry and Drug Discovery, Current Approaches and Emerging Trends for the Development and Discovery of Drug, COMSATS Institute of Information Technology, Abbottabad, K.P.K., June 28-30, 2018.

Nature and Drug Discovery Program, International Conference on Chemical and Pharmaceutical Sciences: Recent Approaches and Applications, Lahore, Pakistan, January 17-19, 2018.

Natural Product Based Drug Discovery Program: Hopes and Disappointments, 28th National and 16th International Chemistry Conference on Global Challenges and Chemistry, Department of Chemistry, Federal Urdu University, Karachi, Pakistan Nov 20-22, 2017.

Plant Natural Product Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Industry: Hopes and Disappointments, Current Research in Chemical and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Department of Chemistry, Forman Christian College University, Lahore, Pakistan January 18-20, 2017.

Novel Enzyme Inhibiting Natural Products from Aboriginal Medicinal Plants of Manitoba and Their Chem-Enzymatic Synthesis. 29th International Symposium on the Chemistry of Natural Products (ISCNP-29) and the 9th International Conference on Biodiversity (ICOB-9), September 24-27, 2016, Izmir, Turkey.

Novel Biomedical Agents from Medicinally Important Plants and their Biosynthesis, International Conference on Biochemistry, Biotechnology and Biomaterials, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, February 22-24, 2016.

Nature: A Source of New Lead Drug Candidate Molecules, First International Conference on Advancement on Biotechnology, Faisalabad, Pakistan, March 30-31, 2016.

Plants: A Source of New Lead Drug Candidate Molecules, **A. Ata**, 5th International Symposium-Cum-Training Course on Molecular Medicine and Drug Research (MMDR-5), January 12-15, 2015, Karachi, Pakistan.

Novel Bioactive Natural Products from Medicinally Important Plants, **A. Ata**, Exploring New Avenues in Medicinal Chemistry: Opportunities & Challenges, Jan. 21-23, 2015, Lahore, Pakistan.

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Novel Biomedical Agents from Aboriginal Medicinally Important Plants of Canada, **A. Ata**, Drug Discovery and Therapy World Congress 2015, July 22-25, 2015, Boston, MA.

Anti-Diabetic Compounds from Medicinally Important Plants, First International Conference for Biochemical and Chemical Sciences, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Pakistan, February 24-26, 2014.

Plants: A Source of New Lead Drug Candidate Molecules, 14th Asian Symposium on Medicinal Plants, Spices and Other Natural Products, University of Karachi, Pakistan, December 9-12, 2013.

Natural Product Chemistry Based Drug Discovery. 4th International Symposium-cum-Training Course on Molecular Medicine and Drug Research, International Center for Chemical and Biological Sciences, University of Karachi, Pakistan, January 07-10, 2013.

Lead Antimicrobial Compounds from Plants. 13th International Symposium on Natural Product Chemistry, International Center for Chemical and Biological Sciences, University of Karachi, Pakistan September 22-25, 2012.

Plants and Health Care system. The First Conference on Science Diplomacy and Developments in Chemistry, Alexandria, Egypt, November 24-26, 2012.

Natural Products with Enzyme Inhibitory Activities. 95th Canadian Society of Chemistry, Calgary, May 2012.

Naturally Occurring Enzyme Inhibitors and Their Pharmaceutical Applications. 50th Anniversary Meeting, Phytochemical Society of North America. Fairmont Orchid, Hawaii December 10-15, 2011.

Small Molecules and Their Importance in Pharmaceutical Industry. 10th International and 22nd National Chemistry Conference, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Pakistan November 21-23, 2011.

Natural Products and their Biomedical Applications. 12th International Symposium of Natural Product Chemistry, November 22-25, 2010, Karachi, Pakistan.

Naturally Occurring Enzyme Inhibitors and Their Pharmaceutical Applications. 11th Eurasia Conference on Chemical Sciences, October 6-10, 2010, Dead Sea, Jordan.

Novel GST Inhibiting Natural Products From Medicinally Important Plants. 6th Conference on Medicinal and Aromatic Plants of Southeast European Countries, Antalya, Turkey April 18-22, 2010.

Novel Bioactive Natural Products from Marine and Terrestrial Sources. 10th Eurasia Conference on Chemical Sciences, Manila, Philippines, January 2008.

GST and AChE Inhibiting Natural Products from Medicinally Important Plants . International Conference on Biodiversity and Natural Products (*ICOB-6* & *ISCNP-26*), , Canada, July 13-18, 2008.

Novel Bioactive Natural Products from Marine and Terrestrial Sources. 9th Eurasia Conference on Chemical Sciences, Antalya, Turkey, September 09-13, 2006.

Novel Bioactive Natural Products from the Medicinally Important Plants of Manitoba. 10th International Symposium on Natural Products Chemistry, H.E.J. Research Institute of Chemistry at International Center for Chemical and Biological Sciences, Karachi, Pakistan January 06-10, 2006.

MEMBERSHIP

American Chemical Society

American Society of Pharmacognosy

Canadian Chemistry Society

Phytochemical Society of North America

The Chemical Society of Pakistan

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International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry

AWARDS

Clifford J. Robson Memorial Award for Excellence in Teaching	2007-2008
Best Scientist Award	
9 th Eurasia Conference on Chemical Sciences, Antalya, Turkey	2006
Best Mentor Award	
Sanofi BioGENEius Challenge Canada (SBCC) (Manitoba)	2011-12
Exceptional Merit Award	2003-2019
University of Winnipeg (Every year)	
Cottrell College Science Award, Research Corporation, USA	2002-2004
Third World Academy of Sciences, Italy	
Research Grant Award	1995-1996
University Grants Commission Scholarship, Pakistan	1992-1994
Bismillah Bibi Scholarship, Pakistan	1995-1996
Middle Standard Scholarship, Pakistan	1980-1981

Journal Referee

Journal of Natural Products, Tetrahedron Letters, Tetrahedron, Steroids, Bioorganic Medicinal Chemistry, Bioorganic Medicinal Chemistry Letters, Biochemical Systematics and Ecology, Canadian Journal of Chemistry, Canadian Journal of Microbiology, Natural Product Research,, Natural Product communications, Archive der Pharmazie, Heterocycles, European Journal of Organic Chemistry, Journal of Chemical Ecology, Organic Letters, Letters in Organic Chemistry, Magnetic Resonance in Chemistry, Food Chemistry, Pharmaceutical Biology, Phytochemistry, Australian Journal of Chemistry, Central Journal of Chemistry, Current Medicinal Chemistry, Chemical Biology, Current Bioactive Compounds, Fitoterapia, Bioorganic Chemistry, Chemistry and Biodiversity, and Journal of Molecular Catalysis.

Member of Editorial Boards

Current Pharmaceutical Biotechnology (2017-Present)
Journal of Chemical Society of Pakistan (2007-Present)
Mediterranean Journal of Chemistry (2024-Present)
Journal Research and Reports in Biodiversity Studies (2010-2016)
Journal of Natural Pharmaceuticals (2010-2015)
Biotechnology (2005-2008)
Journal of Biological Sciences (2005-2008)
American Journal of Food Technology (2005-2008)

External Reviewer of Institutions/Grants

Canada Research Coordinating Committee: New Frontiers in Research Funds, Canada
Czech Science Foundation, Czech Republic

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Foundation for Science and Technology, Portugal
National Science Foundation, USA
International Science Foundation, Sweden
Applied Scientific Research Fund, Jordan
Applied Scientific Research Fund, Jordan
Applied Scientific Research Fund, Jordan
Arab Science and Technology Foundation, UAE
Nipissing University
Lund University, Sweden
Purdue University Calumet, USA
NSERC
Canadian Foundation of Innovation
North Carolina Biotechnology Center, USA

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS:

Chapters in Books

1. Carbohydrates: Classification and Biosynthesis. S. Sandhu, S. Naz, I.P Ejidike, and **A. Ata**. In: Organic Synthesis. Editor: Ahindra Nag, CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL, USA, 2024 (in press).
2. Biosynthesis of steroids and related compounds, **A. Ata**. In: Organic Synthesis. Editor: Ahindra Nag, CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL, USA, 2024 (in press).
3. Role of nanotechnology in medicine: opportunities and challenges. I. P. Ejidike, O. Ogunleye, M. O. Bamigboye, O. M. Ejidike, **A. Ata**, M. O. Eze. In: Biogenic Nanomaterials for Environmental- Principles, Practices, and Opportunities Sustainability. Editors: H. S. Clayton, V. U. Nwankwo, J. O. Fatokun. M. P. Shah, N. Bharadvaja, L. Kumar. Springer, Cham., pp. 353-375, 2024.
4. Bioactive natural products from medicinal plants, **A. Ata**. In: Drug Discovery and Design Using Natural Products. Editor: Jorddy N. Cruz, Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-35205-8_14, pp. 417-434, 2023.
5. Synthesis of bioactive heterocyclic compound, **A. Ata** and S. Naz. In: Organic Synthesis. Editor: Ahindra Nag, CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL, USA, pp. 137-150, 2022.
6. Exploring medicinal plants for the development of natural enzyme inhibitors, S. Naz, P. Holloway, **A. Ata**, B. Sener In Evidence-Based Validation of Herbal Medicine, Ed. P. K. Mukherjee, Elsevier Science Publishers, Amsterdam, pp. 671-690. 2022.
7. Antinutritional factors and biological constraints in the utilization of plant protein Foods, A Ali, S Devarajan, A Manickavasagan, **A Ata**. In Plant Protein Foods, Eds. A. Manickavasagan, L.-T. Lim and A. Alai, Springer Nature, Switzerland, pp.407-438, 2022
8. Biosynthesis of Bioactive Natural products, **A. Ata** and K. Friesen In: Organic Synthesis. Editor: Ahindra Nag, CRC press, Boca Raton, FL, USA, pp. 305-317, 2022.
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