# **Department of Biotechnology**

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#### **Professional Overview**

PhD in Biochemistry from Rashtrasant Tukdoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Microbial degradation of Lignin (2009)

M.Sc. (Biochemistry) Post Graduate Teaching Department of Biochemistry, Nagpur University, Nagpur (1997)

## **Administrative Responsibilities**

Member, Board of Studies in Biotechnology from 2007-2008

Member Board of Studies 2009 - 2012

Member Examination Committee

Member, University Software and Antivirus Technical Committee

Member, Discipline Committee

Recognized Ph.D Supervisor of Biotechnology

### **Achievements**

Qualified SET Lecturership (Maharashtra), February 2002.

Qualified CSIR-UGC NET Lecturership, June 2002.

#### **Project sanctioned**

UGC funded project worth Rs 11,26,800/- on "Application of Accacia and rice husk lignin in the synthesis of biopolymers, biofilms and resins"

### **Selected Publications**

Harit jha\* and M Patil (2011) Biopulping of sugarcane bagasse using Manganese peroxidase from *Penicillium oxalicum isolate-1Romanian Biotechnological Letters Vol. 16, No. 6, 2011* 

Sapre, M., **Jha, H.**, Dhake, J.D. and Patil, M.B. (2006). Studies on production of thermostable alkaline cellulase-free xylanase by *S. racemosum cohn* with special reference to the effect of zeolites Vol 8 (2), 323 – 327.

MP Sapre, **H. Jha,** M.B.Patil (2005). Purification and Characterization of a thermoalkalophilic xylanase from *Bacillus species*. Vol 21, No.5, 649 – 654

Sapre MP, **Jha H**, Patil MB (2005). Purification and characterization of a thermostable cellulase free xylanase from *Syncephalastrum racemosum* cohn. 51(6), 327 – 34.

**Jha H,** Syed SN, Parkhi V, Bhandarkar MR and Patil M (2005). Comparative Biochemical and RAPD – PCR fingerprinting analysis of ligninolytic fungi *Penicillium oxalicum* and *Phanerochaete chrysosporium*.. Vol 7, No(3), 569 – 575.

#### **Book Chapter**

**Jha H.** (2009) Tannin: Structure, Synthesis and biodegradation, In: Ehtnoforestry: The Future of Indian Forestry, Ed S.C. Tiwari, Published by Bishen Singh Mahendra Pal Singh, Dehradun, India, 355-369