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Curriculum Vitae



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Academic background

-PhD in Molecular Medicine, 2012-2017, School of Advanced Technologies in Medicine , Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran.

-MSc in Medical Parasitology, 2004-2007, School of Medicine, Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences, Tehran, Iran.

-BSc in Medical Laboratory, 2002-2004, School of Allied Medical Sciences, Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences, Tehran, Iran.

Title of Thesis:

- PhD : Investigation of immunogenic effects of *Syphacia obvelata* in treatment of experimental DSS-colitis mouse model.

Supervisors: Dr. Nariman Mossafa, Dr. Hamid Asadzadeh Aghdaei.

- MSc : Cloning and expression of recombinant Echinococcus granulosus antigen B, in pQE-30 expression vector.

Supervisors: Dr. Bahram Kazemi

Awards and Honors

-Membership in Iran's National Elites Foundation.

- Ranked Third, in the Ph.D Entrance Examination held by Ministry of Health and Medical Education, 2012.

- Ranked Second, among Ph.D students in the Board exam, 2015.

- Ranked First, in the MSc Entrance Examination held by Ministry of Health and Medical Education, 2004.

Research Skills:

-Computer Sciences and Genetic engineering software:

- Microsoft Office, Data search engines.
- Bioinformatics software : SnapGene, primer 3, bioedit, Oligo7, Gene Runner , Allele ID.....
- Phylogenetic software such as: MEGA 6-10
- Gene expression software such as: REST
- Statistical software such as: SPSS, Graph Pad Prism
- Reference manager software : Endnote , Mendeley

-Research experience:

- DNA and RNA extraction methods.
- PCR (Nested-PCR , RFLP-PCR,)
- Real-time PCR
- Cloning and expression of recombinant proteins in bacteria and mammalian cells.
- Protein extraction and analysis methods (BCA, Bradford, ELISA, Affinity chromatography , SDS - PAGE , Western blotting, Gel diffusion, in vitro cytotoxicity assay , LDH release assay.....)
- Cell culture techniques , PBMC isolation from whole blood cell .
- Flow cytometry
- Gene transfer to bacterial and mammalian cells.

- Working with animal models
- Proficiency in a variety of routine and specific tests for parasites and related diseases.

Work Experience

- School of Advanced Technologies in Medicine , Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran. July 2020 – present **Assistant Professor.**
- Parasitology Department of Shahid Beheshti, University of Medical Science, Tehran, Iran, 2007- 2020(July) :
 - Laboratory Supervisor
 - Teaching at Postgraduate Degree (MSc,PhD).
 - Collaboration in more than 20 PhD and MSc theses.

Research Interests :

- Cell therapy, Immunotherapy, Gene therapy, Tissue engineering, Regenerative medicine , Molecular parasitology, Immunoparasitology.

Published Articles:

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- Comparison of Three Commonly Used Genetic Markers for Detection of Leishmania Major: An Experimental Study. H Behniafar, VM Vaziri, SJS Tabaei, N Taghipour Ethiopian Journal of Health Sciences.2021. 31 (4).
- Inhibition of anti-inflammatory cytokines, IL-10 and TGF- β , in Leishmania major infected macrophage by miRNAs: A new therapeutic modality against

leishmaniasis. F Hamidi, S Mohammadi-Yeganeh, MHM Hoseini, SJS Tabaei, Niloofar Taghipour, Zohreh Lasjerdi, Mostafa Gholamrezaei, Ali Haghighi *Microbial Pathogenesis* 2021.153.

-The Effects of Particulate Matter on C57BL/6 Peritoneal and Alveolar Macrophages, H Rahmani, S Sadeghi, N Taghipour, M Roshani, D Amani, T Ghazanfari *Iranian Journal of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology* 2020.

-Presence and diversity of Leishmania RNA virus in an old zoonotic cutaneous leishmaniasis focus, northeastern Iran: haplotype and phylogenetic based approach. R Saberi, M Fakhar, H Hajjarian, A Ataei-Pirkooh, M Mohebbali, Niloofar Taghipour, Hajar Ziaei Hezarjaribi, Yousef Moghadam, Abouzar Bagheri, *International Journal of Infectious Diseases* 2020, 101, 6-13.

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- Chitosan-based Scaffolds, Suitable Structures for Wound Healing Dressing: A Short Review. Niloofar Taghipour, Niloofar Deravi, Mohsen Rahimi. *Journal of Regeneration, Reconstruction & Restoration" Triple R*. 22 July 2020.

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-Candidate antigenic epitopes for vaccination and diagnosis strategies of Toxoplasma gondii infection: A review. AJ Mamaghani, A Fathollahi, A Spotin, M mehdi Ranjbar, M Barati. Somayeh Aghamolaie, Maryam Karimi, Niloofar Taghipour, Mohammad Ashrafi, Seyyed Javad Seyyed Tabaei. *Microbial pathogenesis* 2019.137.

-Detection of spiked Fasciola hepatica eggs in stool specimens using LAMP technique, S Ghodsian, S Rouhani, S Fallahi, SJ Seyyedtabaei, N Taghipour, *Iranian journal of parasitology*2019. 14 (3), 387.

-Immunomodulatory effect of Syphacia obvelata in treatment of experimental DSS-induced colitis in mouse model. Taghipour N, Mosaffa N, Aghdaei HA, Rostami- Nejad M, Weinstock JV, Shahnavaaz S, Zali MR. *Sci Rep*. 2019 Dec 13;9(1):19127.

-Syphacia obvelata: A New Hope to Induction of Intestinal Immunological Tolerance in C57BL/6 Mice. Taghipour N, Mosaffa N, Rostami-Nejad M, Homayoni MM, Mortaz E, Aghdaei HA, Zali MR. *Korean J Parasitol*. 2017 Aug;55(4):439-444.

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environment. Taghipour N, Molaei M, Mosaffa N, Rostami-Nejad M, Asadzadeh Aghdaei H, Anissian A, Azimzadeh P, Zali MR. *Gastroenterol Hepatol Bed Bench*. 2016 Winter;9(1):45-52.

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-Prevalence of *Trichinella* spp. Infections in Hunted Wild Boars in Northern Iran. Rostami A, Khazan H, Kazemi B, Kia EB, Bandepour M, Taghipour N, Mowlavi G. *Iran J Public Health*. 2018 Dec;46(12):1712-1719.

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Research projects and thesis done and ongoing:

-The synergic effect of TGF- β 3 and FGF-2 on tendo/ligamentogenesis of human periodontal ligament stem cells.

- Evaluation of the effect of "Zinc" oral supplement on the expression of genes, oxidative and antioxidant enzyme levels and inflammatory markers in patients with a history of multiple myeloma undergoing autologous bone marrow transplantation compared with placebo

- Evaluation of the efficiency of exosomes of AMSCs loaded in three-layer polyurethane-chitosan/gelatin-cellulose acetate scaffold in wound healing full thickness of skin in Rat model

- Design of bio-mimetic artificial skin, with exosomes derived from human umbilical cord stem cells for chronic wounds healing (diabetic foot ulcer) in Diabetic mouse model.

- Design and evaluation of *Leishmania major* recombinant poly-epitopic construct as the Laboratory diagnosis of human cutaneous leishmaniasis
- Evaluation of Immunomodulatory Effects of *Syphacia obvelata* Antigens on Lymphocytes Isolated from Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) Patients.
- In vitro evaluation of Neutrophil Extracellular Traps (NETs) in the exposure to *Leishmania major* and salivary gland homogenates (SGH) of *Phlebotomus papatasi* in human neutrophils.
- In Vitro evaluation of Arginase1 (ARG1) and inducible nitric oxide synthase (iNOS) genes expression in the macrophages of Murrin models infected with *Leishmania major* in the exposure to salivary gland homogenates (SGH) of sand fly vector
- Comparison of the prevalence of *Toxoplasma* and *Toxocara* infection in chronic kidney disease (CKD) patients by immunological
- Prevalence of strongyloidiasis in immunocompromised patients in health centers of selected cities of Iran during 2020
- Evaluation the effect of synthetic miRNA inhibitor of IL-10 and TGF- β on *Leishmania major* infected macrophages
- Investigation of the effect of microRNA overexpression or downregulation on apoptosis induction in Iranian strain *Leishmania major*(MRHO/IR/75/ER)-infected macrophage
- AND 22 other projects

Participation in International Congresses

***Oral presentation:**

-14th International Congress of Immunology and Allergy:

Immunomodulatory effect of *syphacia obvelata* in the treatment of experimental colitis induced by sodium dextran sulfate in a mouse model

-The Sixth National and the First Regional Congress on Parasitology and Parasitic Diseases:

Subcloning and expression of recombinant *Echinococcus granulosus* antigen B for diagnosis of hydatidosis

-The 7th National and the second Regional Congress on Parasitology and Parasitic Diseases:

- 1) Evaluation of *Cryptosporidium* subgenotype based on GP60 polymorph gene analysis in children with diarrhea.
- 2) Molecular identification of release amoebae isolated from rivers and waters of recreational areas of Tehran and Gilan provinces.
- 3) Genetic diversity of *Plasmodium vivax* dihydrofolate reductase-thymidylate synthase gene in Hormozgan province.
- 4) Frequency and molecular analysis of *Cryptosporidium* species in cattle in Qazvin province.

*Poster

*4th International Congress and the 11th National Congress of Parasitology and Parasitic Diseases of Iran (NICOPA11):

- 1) Comparison of Three Common Molecular Markers for Detection of *Leishmania* DNA by PCR
- 2) *mmu-miR-27a* as a candidate miRNA which targets Inflammatory cytokines involved in *Leishmania major*-infected macrophage

* The 3rd International & 10th National Congress of Parasitology & Parasitic Diseases of Iran:

The expression profiles and role of miRNAs in induction of apoptosis in *Leishmania major* -infected macrophage cells: An in vitro study

*2nd International and 9th National Congress of Parasitology and Parasitic Diseases of Iran

Molecular surveillance of *Plasmodium vivax* and *Plasmodium falciparum* DHFR mutations in isolates from southern Iran.

*First International & 12th Iranian Congress of Microbiology:

- 1) Identification of free living amoebae in recreational Hot springs of Ardabil Province, Iran
- 2) The first report of *Hartmannella vermiformis* & *Vannella persistens* isolation from public areas of Tehran by molecular methods
- 3) Potentially pathogenic free living amoebae isolated from ophthalmology wards in Tehran, Iran

*Tropical Medicine and International Health:

Contamination of hospital wards with pathogenic free living amoebae in Tehran, Iran.

*The 4th Conference of the Scandinavian-Baltic for parasitology (SBSP):

The first report of *Hartmannella vermiformis* & *Vannella persistens* isolation from public areas of Tehran by molecular methods

*ICOPA XII Melbourne:

Isolation of *acanthamoeba* belong to t4 and t5 genotypes from surface waters of recreational areas, tehran, iran

*European congress of Clinical Microbiology and Infection Diseases:

Identification of leishmania species from human cutaneous leishmaniasis in Gonbad using PCR method

Book:

- Cryptosporidium and Cryptosporidiosis. Ali Haghghi, Akbar Keshavarz, Niloofar Taghipour. (compilation, in Persian)