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Education

Graduate and Post Graduate Education:

Obtained Ph.D. degree from the Department of Bacteriology, Hirosaki University, Hirosaki, Japan, 1989.

Obtained M.Sc. degree from the Department of Microbiology, University of Dhaka, Dhaka, 1985 (session 1981).

Obtained B.Sc. (Honours) degree from the Department of Biochemistry, University of Dhaka, Dhaka, 1982 (session 1980).

Employment Experience

Post-Doctoral Research:

August, 2000 – August, 2002: Visiting Research Fellow, Department of Medicine, Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia, U.S.A. Worked with Professor Lance L. Simpson on the mechanism of botulinum toxin in gut epithelial cells.

December, 1997 – March, 1998: Visiting Scholar, Department of Bacteriology, Hirosaki University, Hirosaki, Japan. Worked with Professor Jin-ichi Sasaki on the anti-tumor activity of the BCG 64 kDa surface protein.

April, 1994 – March, 1994: Science and Technology Fellow, National Institute for leprosy Research, Tokyo, Japan. Worked with Dr. Hiroko Nomaguchi on the characterization of the 65 kDa heat shock protein from *Mycobacterium leprae*.

Academic Appointments

Present position: Professor, Department of Microbiology, University of Dhaka, Dhaka.

October, 2018- October, 2019: Professor, Microbiology, School of Life Sciences, Independent University, Bangladesh. Dhaka.

April, 2003 – September, 2018: Professor, Department of Microbiology, University of Dhaka, Dhaka.

September, 1997 – March, 2003: Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology, University of Dhaka, Dhaka.

March, 1993 – September, 1997: Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology, University of Dhaka. Dhaka.

March, 1991- March, 1993: Lecturer, Department of Microbiology, University of Dhaka. Dhaka.

Award/Honour

Elected Fellow, Bangladesh Academy of Sciences.

Memberships in Academic/Professional Societies

Life Member, Bangladesh Society for Immunology (BSI)
Life Member, Bangladesh Society of Microbiologists (BSM)
Life Member, Bangladesh Biochemical Society (BBS)
Life Member, The Society of Global Network of Bangladeshi Biotechnologists (GNOBB)

Positions in Academic/Professional Societies

Past General Secretary, Bangladesh Society for Immunology (BSI)
Past Observer Representative to Federation of Immunological Societies of Asia and Oceania (www.fimsa.org)
Past General Secretary, Bangladesh Society of Microbiologists (www.bsm.org.bd)
Vice President, The Society of Global Network of Bangladeshi Biotechnologists (www.gnobbb.org)

Membership in Academic Bodies

Member, Editorial Board, Bangladesh Journal of Microbiology
Member, Editorial Board, Bangladesh Medical Research Council Bulletin
Member, Editorial Board, IMC Journal of Medical Science

Research Collaborations/Funding

- a. International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), Vienna, Austria
- b. Ministry of Science and Information & Communication Technology, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
- c. Bangladesh Medical Research Council, Dhaka.
- d. Graduate School of Health Sciences, Hirosaki University, Aomori, Japan
- e. Department of Biology, University of Bergen, Norway
- f. Bangladesh Academy of Science-United States Department of Agriculture (BAS-USDA), Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- g. Ministry of Education, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Administrative duty

Chairman, Department of Microbiology, University of Dhaka, Dhaka-1000, September, 1997-August, 2000.

Research Publications

Shaly, N.J., Pervez, M.M., Huq, S., Ahmed, D., **Ahsan, C.R.**, Sarmin, M., Afroze, F., Nuzhat, S. Chisti, M.J. and Ahmed, T. 2022. Invasive Fungal Infections in Under-Five Diarrheal Children: Experience from an Urban Diarrheal Disease Hospital. *Life* 12: 94. <https://doi.org/10.3390/life12010094>.

Sharmin, S., Sabikunnahar, B., Aditya, A., Khan, M.A.K., Nessa, A., **Ahsan, C.R.** and Yasmin, M. 2021. Genotypic distribution and prevalence of human papillomavirus infection in an apparently healthy female population in Bangladesh. *IJID Regions* 1:130–134.

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- Chowdhury, F.M., **Ahsan, C.R.** and Birkeland, N.K. 2021. Oral immunization of *Escherichia albertii* strain DM104 induces protective immunity against *Shigella dysenteriae* type 4 in mouse model. *Acta Microbiologica et Immunologica Hungarica*. 68: DOI: 10.1556/030.2021.01431.
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- Fujioka, M., Yoshioka, S., Ito, M. and **Ahsan, C.R.** 2021. Biochemical and molecular properties of *Escherichia albertii* isolated from human urine and stool specimens. *Japanese J. Infectious Dis*. 74:604-606.
- Chowdhury, F.M., Birkeland, N.K. and **Ahsan, C.R.** 2020. Comparison of Immunogenicity and Protective Efficacy of the Intranasal and Intraperitoneal Immunization Routes of *Escherichia albertii* Strain DM104 in Mouse Model. *Bangladesh J. Microbiol*. 37: 38-41.
- Ahsan, C.R.** and Ferdous, T. 2020. Characterization of *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* organisms isolated from shrimps and shrimp fields located in the coastal areas of Bangladesh. *Int. J. Infect. Dis*. 101: 150.
- Rume, F.I., Karim, M.R., Biswas, P.K., Yasmin, M. and **Ahsan, C.R.** 2020. Climate change and its influence on occurrence and distribution of Anthrax in Bangladesh. *Int. J. Infect. Dis*. 101: 411
- Alam, K., Rabbi, F., **Ahsan, C.R.** and Sultana, S. 2020. Seasonal Variation and Molecular Characterization of *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* Isolated from Karnaphuni River and Estuary of Chittagong, Bangladesh. *Bioresearch Communications*. 6: 904-13
- Amin, M.N., Yasmin, M., Akhtar, M.Z. and **Ahsan, C.R.** 2020. Molecular Pattern of Anti-malarial Drug Resistance of *Plasmodium falciparum* in Bangladeshi Troops Working in Endemic Areas of Bangladesh and Africa. *Bangladesh J. Microbiol*. 37: 1-6.
- Ahsan, C.R.**, Begum, K., Kabir, E., Nur-E-Kamal, A. and Talukder, K.A. 2020. Enterotoxic, neurotoxic and cytotoxicity demonstrated by shiga toxin (2d) producing *Escherichia coli* in experimental models. *Bangladesh Med. Res. Council Bull*. 46: 41-47.
- Jilani, M.S.A., Hock, T.T., Mazumder, S., Rahman, F., Mohiuddin, M., **Ahsan, C.R.**, Haq, J.A. 2020. Detection of antibodies to recombinant truncated flagellin and sonicated whole cell antigen of *Burkholderia pseudomallei* in acute melioidosis and in healthy Bangladeshi individuals. *IMC J. Med. Science* 14: 47-52.
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Hossain, M.J., Biswas, S., Shahriar, M., Chowdhury, M.M., Islam, S. and **Ahsan, C.R.** 2018. Phytochemical Screening, Antimicrobial Activity, Antioxidant Capacity and *in vivo* Anticancer Activity of *Lannea coromandelica* Bark Extracts. *IOSR J. Pharm. Biol. Sci.* 13: 19-25.

Islam, M.N., Ahmed, D., Hossain, M.A., **Ahsan, C.R.** and Yasmin, M. 2018. Prevalence of Metallo- β -lactamase Producing Non-fermentative *Pseudomonas* Species from Clinical Isolates in Dhaka, Bangladesh. *Mymensingh Med J.* 27:89-94.

Chowdhury, F.M., Rahman, M.Z., Sarkar, M.M.H., Rabbi, F., Khan, S.I., **Ahsan, C.R.**, and Birkeland, N. 2017. Protection against shigellosis caused by *Shigella dysenteriae* serotype 4 in guinea pigs using *Escherichia albertii* DM104 as a live vaccine candidate strain. *Acta Microbiologica et Immunologica Hungarica.* 64: 151–164.

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