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- 60. Agro-processing Sector: Finding a Doable Answer, Concept Paper by Prof. B K Konwar (2016). Brain Storming Meeting "Doable Solutions to the Problems in Growth of Agro-processing (Sector) in North East India", December 7<sup>th</sup>, Indian Institute of Crop Processing Technology (IICPT), MoFPI, Govt. of India, Guwahati.
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#### Major Research Findings of Prof Bolin Kumar Konwar

- 1. Agrobacterium tumefacien-mediated genetic transformation of sugar beet with NPT II and GUS genes. Electroporation-mediated transient expression of GUS gene in sugar beet protoplasts. Standardised the rapid in vitro culture technique of sugar beet.
- 2. Developed green gram varieties AAU 34 and AAU 39.
- 3. Isolation and culture of tea protoplasts. Genetic trasformation of tea with Agrobacterium rhizogenes carrying the Ri plasmid. Isolated and multiplied 12 strains each of anaerobic bacteria and fungi involved in the degradation of tea pruning litters and tea garden weeds. TV 15 clones were nationally registered at the NBPGR, New Delhi with RAPD-based genetic fingerprinting.
- Developed a bacterial consortium which can degrade crude oil contaminant in 180 days for soil reclamation. Isolated bacterial bio-surfactant 55% superior to SDS in crude oil recovery.
- 5. Chrom no. of E. linguiformis (tetraploid) 48. The plant (specially rhizome) was assessed to contain 86% flavoury compound anethole. The chemical can potentially be used as food and medicine as additive. The plant is thus a better source for anethole against anise seed (82%) and funnel seed (75%). The chemical structure of anethole is determined (1-methoxy-4-(1-propenyl)-benzene).
- 6. The crude protein content in the fruit of Spondias pinnata is determined to be 3.34%, reducing sugar 69.56 mg g<sup>-1</sup>, crude fibre 23.07 mg g<sup>-1</sup>, phosphorous 0.483 mg g<sup>-1</sup>, iron 0.043 mg g<sup>-1</sup>, calcium 5.97 mg g<sup>-1</sup> and potassium 83.60 mg g<sup>-1</sup>. The fruit also contains 0.06% '3 β-hydroxyolea-12-en-28-oic acid' commonly known as 'oleanolic acid'. The acid is antimicrobial against Staphylococcus aureus and Bacillus subtilis.
- 7. Leaf of Streblus asper is assessed to contain protein and fat 16.73% and 1.029±0.029%, respectively. The ash content is 8.1 mg g<sup>-1</sup>, starch 12.05 mg g<sup>-1</sup> and reducing sugar 1.15 mg g<sup>-1</sup>; as well as high content of crude fibre (17.08 mg g<sup>-1</sup>). Also lupeol [i.e. Lup-20(29)-en-3 β-ol'] 0.05%.
- 8. Chrom no of Zanthoxylum oxyphyllum 36 (diploid), Rubus alceifolius 28 (tetraploid) and Meyna spinosa 44 (tetraploid). Tender leaves of the plants contain antimicrobial compound 2-methylheptyl isonicotinate against B. subtilis, E. coli, K. pneumoniae, S. aureus and yeast C. albicans, where as the mature fruits of M. spinosa contain oleanolic acid and oleanol. Genome size of Zanthoxylum oxyphyllum is 3.79 (3.70 x 10<sup>9</sup>), Rubus alceifolius 2.84 (2.77 x 10<sup>9</sup>) and Meyna spinosa 3.93 (3.84 x 10<sup>9</sup>).
- 9. Chrom no of Xanthosoma caracu is 26, X. sagittifolium 26, Amorphophallus paeoniifolius 28: all diploid, but Colocasia esculenta with 28 is tetraploid. The genome size of the tetraploid species is 14.1 pg (C-value).
- 10. Total phenolic and flavonoid content is high in A. paeoniifolius. The DPPH free radical scavenging property is the highest in X. caracu and blood coagulation enhancing property high in X. sagittifolium. Five polyphenolic compounds, 3,4-dihydroxy benzoic acid, 3,4-

- dihydroxycinnamic acid, trans-in-hydroxycinnamic acid, 4-hydroxy-3-methoxycinnamic acid and 4-hydroxy-3,5-dimethoxybenzoic acid were isolated from Colocasia species.
- 11. C. esculenta possesses high amylase content with the smallest starch granule size. The biggest starch granule size and highest relative crystallinity are recorded in A. paeoniifolius starch. Due to small granule size C. esculenta starch is the most suitable for composite preparation with polyaniline. The starch-polyaniline composite has clear formation of three new types of composites having better antioxidant activity along with biocompatibility.
- 12. The small granule-sized starch of C. esculenta is suitable for baby food formulation as well as for making fine printing paper, plastic sheets as binder with orally active ingredients, and as carrier material in cosmetics. There is a potential of this starch in cosmetic, paper, textile and photographic industries. C. esculenta starch can be used in the synthesis of edible films.
- 13. Three different PHA producing bacterial isolates were recovered from the crude oil contaminated soil of Assam. One isolate was identified to be Bacillus circulans MTCC8167. The optimum growth and production of PHA was found to be pH 7, and 37°C. Biopolymers possessed high degree of thermal as well as melting stability.
- 14. Biopolymers isolated from P. aeruginosa JQ796859, B. circulans MTCC8167 and P. aeruginosa JQ866912 were assessed to be poly (3-hydroxyvalerate) co- (5-hydroxydecenoate) (P-3HV-5-HDE), poly-3-hydroxybutyrate-co-3-hydroxyvalerate (P-3HB-3HV) & poly-3-hydroxyvalerate-co-5-hydroxydecenoate-co-3-hydroxyoctadecenoate (P-3HV-5HDE-3HODE), respectively. Mol wt of the biopolymers is in the range of 5.6 X 10<sup>3</sup> to 4.2 X 10<sup>4</sup> Da and the polydispersity index bears a narrow value in the range of 1.05 to 1.21. The polymers possess luminescence property and are biodegradable by microbial action.
- 15. The PHA of B. circulans MTCC8167 is useful in enhancing the stabilization of colloidal solution of SNP. Incorporating the metal oxide nanoparticles with biopolymer, the intensity of the emission peak could be increased. The resulting nanocomposites could be used for further application as sensors. A 540-bp PCR product proved the presence of mcl biosynthesis genes phaC1/C2 in the bacterial strains P. aeruginosa JQ796859 and P. aeruginosa JQ866912.
- 16. A selective and sensitive PHA/AuNPs/HRP/ITO biosensor based nanocomposite probe was developed for direct determination of artemisinin in bulk and spiked human serum. The method possessed distinct advantage over other existing methods regarding sensitivity, selectivity, time saving and minimum detectability.
- 17. The compound eclalbasaponin (C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>62</sub>O<sub>8)</sub> and aliphatic compound C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> were isolated from Eclipta alba; C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>5</sub> from in Aloe barbadens.DPPH scavenging assay confirmed eclalbasaponin and aloenin to possess higher radical scavenging property than standard gallic acid and quercetin. These two compounds possessed regeneration ability in the case of warfarin induced alopecia (animals) as compared to the standard drug minoxidil. Hair folicle regeneration time and completion of hair growth are much faster due to eclalbasaponin treatment as compared to aloenin and minoxidil treated ones. No adverse effect is observed up to 15 days in the case of animals treated topically with eclalbasaponin and aloenin, hair follicle regeneration started on 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> day in the case of eclalbasaponin, aloenin and minoxidil treated animals, respectively.
- 18. High biomass yield, attractive biochemical profile and high energy content in the microalgal strains Chlorella spp. KJ499988, Scenedesmus spp. KF279644 and Parachlorella kessleri KF163441 offers strong candidature as bioenergy feedstocks. Mass culture of P. kessleri in permanently inundated water bodies is possible. Chlorella spp. KJ499988 biomass could be used as feedstock for bio and thermo-chemical conversions.

- P. kessleri KF163441 deoiled cake could be directly used as a feedstock for bio-oil production. However, biodiesel from yeast was found to be superior to microalgal biodiesel with regard to calorific value and cetane number.
- 19. Soil metagenomic DNA was successfully used to clone the lipase gene (KBS-plip1: 891 bp) in to the expression vector pET-32a. The transformed E. coli cells having KBS-plip1 cloned pET-32a could produce lipase enzyme in tributyrin (1%) agar medium. The purified industrial enzyme was found to be stable in different solvents, temperature 37°C and pH 7.5.

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