

# Curriculum Vitae

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Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, University of the Punjab Lahore

**HEC Approved Supervisor: Yes**

**Cumulative Impact Factor: 350**

*Awards: Research Productivity as eminent Researcher of the year awards for consecutive five years 2019, 2020, 2021 from University of Lahore, Lahore, Pakistan and 2022, 2023 from University of the Punjab Lahore, Pakistan*

### Working Experience

Position	Institute/University	Period (m/dd/yyyy)	
		From	To
Assistant Professor	Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, University of the Punjab Lahore	30-05-2022	-
Associate Professor	Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, University of Lahore, Lahore	02/01/2022	30-05-2022
Assistant Professor	Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, University of Lahore, Lahore	09/11/2017	01/31/2022
Post-Doctoral Research Associate	Centre of Excellence in Molecular Biology, University of the Punjab, Lahore Pakistan	06/24/2015	12/31/2017
Assistant Professor	Centre of Excellence in Molecular Biology, University of the Punjab, Lahore Pakistan	06/19/2014	06/23/2015
Research Associate	Centre of Excellence in Molecular Biology, University of the Punjab, Lahore Pakistan	02/01/2013	06/18/2014
National Internship Program	EDOR Faisalabad	06/06/2009	06/05/2010
B.Sc. (Hons.) Internship	Sugarcane Research Institute, Ayub Agriculture Research Institute, Faisalabad, Pakistan	Feb-2007	June-2007

### Educational Background

Name of Examination Passed	Institution/Board/ University	Date of obtaining Certificate/ Degree	Major Subject
SSC	Board of Intermediate & Secondary Education, Lahore	06/30/2000	Science
HSSC	Board of Intermediate & Secondary Education, Lahore	08/31/2002	Pre-Medical
B.Sc. (Hons.)	University of Agriculture Faisalabad	07/09/2007	Plant Genetics
M.Sc. (Hons.)	University of Agriculture Faisalabad	09/03/2009	Plant Genetics

PhD	University of Agriculture Faisalabad	05/23/2014	Plant Genetics
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✚ **PhD Research title**

*Genetic evaluation of maize (Zea mays L.) accessions for grain and fodder yield.*

✚ **M.Sc. (Hons.) Research title**

*Estimation of genetic variability and trait association in chickpea (Cicer arietinum L.) genotypes.*

**Expertises**

- ✚ Web site designing and development
- ✚ Illumina Sequencing
- ✚ Sangar sequencing
- ✚ Metaproteomics data analysis
- ✚ Flourscent Microscopy
- ✚ Microarray
- ✚ DNA/RNA Extraction
- ✚ cDNA Synthesis
- ✚ Q-PCR,
- ✚ RT-PCR
- ✚ qRT-PCR data analysis
- ✚ Cloning
- ✚ Transformation in *E. coli*, *Pichia* and Plants (Gene gun & *Argobacterium* method)
- ✚ Protein Purification
- ✚ Western Blotting
- ✚ X-ray crystallography
- ✚ Confocal Microscopy
- ✚ Flow Cytometry
- ✚ Analytical biochemical assay (HPLC, GC)
- ✚ spectroscopy

**Statistical Approach**

Analysis of variance techniques, Least significant difference tests, Genetic components analysis, simple correlation, Genotypic correlation, phenotypic correlation, environmental correlation, regression analysis, path coefficient analysis, principle component analysis, biplot analysis, line × tester analysis, diallel analysis, combining ability analysis. I have expertise in biostatistics and well trained in using Microsoft Excel, SPSS-16.0, Minitab-16.1, Genstat-12, Tassel-5, Network-5.0.0, Structure-2.3.4, PopGene.S2, Ultra Edit, TBtools-II, MEGA11 and Statistix-8.1 software applications

**Computer skills**

- ✚ Windows
- ✚ Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- ✚ Internet (Web site designing and development)
- ✚ All kinds of general purpose Hardware & Software

**Linguistic approach**

- ✚ English (Good in Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening)
- ✚ Urdu (Good in Reading, Speaking, Listening)
- ✚ Punjabi (Good in Speaking, Listening)

## Citation indices up to 2025 February

<u>Citation indices</u>	All	Since 2020
<u>Citations</u>	7329	5097
<u>h-index</u>	45	35
<u>i10-index</u>	184	138

## Students supervised

1. M.Phil: 45
2. PhD: 2

\* = Indicated as corresponding author of publication

## Some important Publications

1. Anjum, Sumreen, Mubeen Sarwar, Adnan Mukhtar, Tanveer Hussain, Mehwish Liaquat, Alia Batool, Muhammad Waqar Alam, **Qurban Ali\***, and M. Irfan Ashraf. (2025). *Impact of rhizobacterial inoculation in plant growth medium to mitigate lead stress in Tomato (Solanum lycopersicum L.)*. *Scientific Reports* 15, no. 1: 707. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-024-84648-x> (**Impact Factor = 3.84, HEC = W category**); Nature Publishing Group, London
2. Khalid, Namra, Muhammad Umer Khan, Raima Rehman, Shamsa Kanwal, Tazeen Zahid, Muhammad Usman Ghani, Ayesha Iftikhar, **Qurban Ali\***, and Muhammad Arshad Javed (2025). *Unraveling the genetic connections for mitochondrial DNA control region and breast cancer susceptibility*. *Sci Rep* 15, 4821 (2025). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-025-89115-9> **Impact Factor = 3.84, HEC = W category**); Nature Publishing Group, London
3. Ibrahim, Saooda, Muhammad Umer Khan, Saadia Noreen, Safia Firdous, Iqra Khurram, Raima Rehman, Muhammad Arshad Javed, and **Qurban Ali\***. (2025). *Advancing brain tumor therapy: unveiling the potential of PROTACs for targeted protein degradation.* *Cytotechnology* 77, no. 2 (2025): 54. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10616-025-00716-8> (**Impact Factor = 2.0, HEC = W category**); Nature Publishing Group, London
4. Arshad, Samreen, Muhammad Luqman Qadir, Nazim Hussain, **Qurban Ali\***, Shiming Han, and Daoud Ali. (2025). *Advances in CRISPR/Cas9 technology: shaping the future of photosynthetic microorganisms for biofuel production*. *Functional Plant Biology* 52, no. 2 (2025). FP24255 <https://doi.org/10.1071/FP24255> (**Impact Factor = 2.60, HEC = W category**); CSIRO Publishing Group, Australia
5. Rasheed, Muhammad Umar, Aiman Malik, Muhammad Zeshan Haider, Adnan Sami, Muhammad Shafiq, **Qurban Ali**, Muhammad Arshad Javed, and Ansar Ali. (2025). *NPRI-like genes in Theobroma cacao: Evolutionary insights and potential in enhancing resistance to Phytophthora megakarya*. *PLoS one* 20, no. 2: e0318506. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0318506> (**Impact Factor = 2.90, HEC = W category**); Plos Publishing Group, USA
6. Muhammad Akram Shahzad Khokhar, Malik Ihsan Ullah Khan, Arif Malik, Haleema Saadia, Gul Zaib, **Qurban Ali**, (2025). *Exploring phytochemical interventions targeting Cyclin-D, MELK, and LUZP in triple-negative breast cancer: in-vitro and in-silico approach*. *Modern Phytomorphology*, 19: 336 – 350. (**Impact Factor = 0.03, HEC = X category**) <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.200121>
7. Muhammad Akram Shahzad Khokhar, Malik Ihsan Ullah Khan, Arif Malik, Haleema Saadia, Gul Zaib, **Qurban Ali**, (2025). *Molecular insights into phytochemical-protein interactions: A paradigm shift in breast cancer therapy*. *Modern Phytomorphology*, 19: 336 – 350. (**Impact Factor = 0.03, HEC = X category**) <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.200121>
8. **\*Qurban Ali**, Sami, A., Haider, M.Z. Muhammad Ashfaq, Muhammad Arshad Javed. *Antioxidant production promotes defense mechanism and different gene expression level in Zea mays under abiotic stress*. *Sci Rep* 14, 7114 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-024-57939-6> (**Impact Factor = 4.996, HEC = W category**); Nature Publishing Group, London
9. Bhatti MHT, Han S, Sami A, Haider MZ, Shafiq M, Ali M, Ahmad S, **Qurban Ali\***, Sabir IA, Manzoor MI. (2024). *Genome-wide analysis of XTH gene family in cucumber (Cucumis sativus) against different insecticides to enhance defense mechanism*. *Plant Stress*, Volume 13, 2024, 100538. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.stress.2024.100538>. (**Impact Factor = 6.8, HEC = X category**)

10. Arsalan Ahmad, Shiming Han, Adnan Sami, Muhammad Zeshan Haider, \*Qurban Ali, Muhammad Shafiq, Daoud Ali, Javaid Iqbal, Muhammad Aamir Manzoor, Irfan Ali Sabir, Yuexia Wang. *Genome-wide identification of Cytochrome P450 gene in Fall Armyworm (Spodoptera frugiperda) in response to insecticide resistance*, *Plant Stress*, Volume 14, (2024), 100579. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.stress.2024.100579> (Impact Factor = 6.8, HEC = X category)
11. Awan MF, Ali S, Sarwar MF, Shafiq M, Arif U, Qurban Ali\*, et al. (2024) *Over expression of modified Isomaltulose Synthase Gene II (ImSyGII) under single and double promoters drive unprecedented sugar contents in sugarcane*. *PLoS ONE* 19(11): e0311797. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0311797> (Impact Factor = 3.2, HEC = W category)
12. Naeem, S., Wang, Y., Han, S. MZ Haider, A Sami, M Shafiq Qurban Ali\* et al. *Genome-wide analysis and identification of Carotenoid Cleavage Oxygenase (CCO) gene family in coffee (coffee arabica) under abiotic stress*. *BMC Genom Data* 25, 71 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12863-024-01248-4> (Impact Factor = 1.9, HEC = X category); Nature Publishing Group, London
13. Amjad, M., Wang, Y., Han, S. S. MZ Haider, A Sami, Batool, A. M Shafiq Qurban Ali\* et al. (2024). *Genome wide identification of phenylalanine ammonia-lyase (PAL) gene family in Cucumis sativus (cucumber) against abiotic stress*. *BMC Genom Data* 25, 76 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12863-024-01259-1> (Impact Factor = 1.9, HEC = X category); Nature Publishing Group, London
14. Ishfaq Q, Sami A, Zeshan Haider M, Ahmad A, Shafiq M, Qurban Ali\*, Batool A, Haider MS, Ali D, Alarifi S, Islam MS and Manzoor MA (2024). *Genome wide identification of the NPR1 gene family in plant defense mechanisms against biotic stress in chili (Capsicum annum L.)*. *Front. Microbiol.* 15:1437553. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fmicb.2024.1437553> (Impact Factor = 4.0, HEC = W category)
15. Khan, M.U., Zahid, T., Sabar, M.F. Masoo, T. Qurban Ali\*, Han S. Ahmad, A.. *Ethnogenetic analysis reveals the Bronze Age genetic affiliation of Yashkuns with West Eurasians*. *Sci Rep* 14, 31414 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-024-83136-6> (Impact Factor = 4.996, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
16. Kalsoom, A., Altaf, A., Sarwar, M. T. Maqbool, MAB Ashraf, H Sattar, G. Shabbir, Qurban Ali\*, MA Arshad. *GC-MS analysis, molecular docking, and apoptotic-based cytotoxic effect of Caladium lindenii Madison extracts toward the HeLa cervical cancer cell line*. *Sci Rep* 14, 18438 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-024-69582-2> (Impact Factor = 4.996, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
17. Suddal, T., Awan, M.F., Ali, S. Sarwar MS, Iqbal S, Qurban Ali\*, et al. *Target prediction of potential candidate miRNAs from Oryza sativa to silence the Pyricularia oryzae genome in rice blast*. *Sci Rep* 14, 21813 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-024-72608-4> (Impact Factor = 4.996, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
18. Khan, M.U., Sakhawat, A., Rehman, R. Wali AH, Ghani MU, Areeba A, Javed MA, Qurban Ali\* et al. *Identification of novel natural compounds against CFTR p.Gly628Arg pathogenic variant*. *AMB Expr* 14, 99 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13568-024-01762-9> (Impact Factor = 3.50, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
19. Sardar, S., Rahman, A.U., Khan, B. MA Khan, MK Iqbal, M Hasnain, NZ Khan MA Javed, Qurban Ali\*. *Vaccinium macrocarpon Based Fe-Doped Zno Nanoparticles as an Alternate Against Resistant Uropathogens*. *BioNanoSci.* (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12668-024-01576-w> (Impact Factor = 3.00, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
20. Isha Zafar, Munazzah Malik, Mian Muhammad Mubasher, Muhammad Tariq, Qurban Ali\*, Ajaz Ahmad, Muhammad Bilal, Shiming Han. *Identification of therapeutic targets for polycystic ovary syndrome using network pharmacology and computer simulations*. *Farmacia*, 72:893-903. <https://doi.org/10.31925/farmacia.2024.4.18> (Impact Factor = 1.50, HEC = W category)
21. Anwar, Saba, Jin-Liang Peng, Kashif Rafiq Zahid, Yu-Ming Zhou, Qurban Ali, and Chong-Rong Qiu. 2024. *Cystic Fibrosis: Understanding Cystic Fibrosis Transmembrane Regulator Mutation Classification and Modulator Therapies" Advances in Respiratory Medicine* 92, no. 4: 263-277. <https://doi.org/10.3390/arm92040026> (Impact Factor = 1.80, HEC = X category)
22. Islam, S., Hussain, E.A., Shujaat, S. MU Khan, Qurban Ali\*, Saif ul Malook, Daoud Ali. *Antibacterial potential of Propolis: molecular docking, simulation and toxicity analysis*. *AMB*

- Expr* **14**, 81 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13568-024-01741-0> (Impact Factor = 3.50, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
23. Akram, A., Sakhawat, A., Ghani, M.U. Umar MU, Rehman R, \*Qurban Ali, et al. *Silibinins and curcumin as promising ligands against mutant cystic fibrosis transmembrane regulator protein*. *AMB Expr* **14**, 84 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13568-024-01742-z> (Impact Factor = 3.50, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
  24. Tahir, U., Zameer, M., Fruk, S. Y., Ghauri, B. A., Javed, M. A., \*Qurban Ali., F, Ali, Ali, D. (2024). *Isolation, and Characterization of Petroleum Oil-Degrading Bacteria from Petroleum Contaminated Soil*. *Geomicrobiology Journal*, 1–8. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01490451.2024.2372291> (Impact Factor = 2.2, HEC = X category)
  25. Tabassum, N., Shafiq, M., Fatima, S. Tahir, S. Tabassum, B. \*Qurban Ali, Muhammad Arshad Javed *Genome-wide in-silico analysis of ethylene biosynthesis gene family in Musa acuminata L. and their response under nutrient stress*. *Sci Rep* **14**, 558 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-023-51075-3> (Impact Factor = 4.996, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
  26. Jadoon, S., \*Qurban Ali, Sami, A. et al. *DNA damage in inhabitants exposed to heavy metals near Hudiana drain, Lahore, Pakistan*. *Sci Rep* **14**, 8408 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-024-58655-x> (Impact Factor = 4.996, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
  27. Sarwar, Muhammad Farhan, Mudassar Fareed Awan, Sajed Ali, Ajaz Ahmad, Saif ul Malook, and Qurban Ali. "In-silico characterization of LSDV132 protein divulged its BCL-2-like nature." *Heliyon* (2024): e27657. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.heliyon.2024.e27657> (Impact Factor = 4.0, HEC = W category)
  28. Anjum, S., Sarwar, M., \*Qurban Ali et al. *Assessment of bioremediation potential of Calotropis procera and Nerium oleander for sustainable management of vehicular released metals in roadside soils*. *Sci Rep* **14**, 8920 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-024-58897-9> (Impact Factor = 4.996, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
  29. Hussain, M., Javed, M.M., Sami, A. Shafiq, M., \*Qurban Ali, et al. *Genome-wide analysis of plant specific YABBY transcription factor gene family in carrot (Dacus carota) and its comparison with Arabidopsis*. *BMC Genom Data* **25**, 26 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12863-024-01210-4> (Impact Factor = 2.90, HEC = W category)
  30. Maqsood, Q., Sumrin, A., \*Qurban Ali. et al. In-silico analysis of ribosome inactivating protein (RIP) of the Cucurbitaceae family. *AMB Expr* **14**, 61 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13568-024-01718-z> (Impact Factor = 3.70, HEC = X category)
  31. Fatima Arshad , Awais Altaf , Madeeha Shahzad Lodhi , Arif Malik , Huma Sattar , Sara Zahid , Muhammad Imran Naseer , Toriki S. Abojamel , Absarul Haque , \*Qurban Ali. *Evaluating the Therapeutic Efficacy of Swertia Chirayita in Liver Cancer Management*. *Journal of Biological Regulators and Homeostatic Agents*. 2024, 38(2): 1385-1408 <https://doi.org/10.23812/j.biol.regul.homeost.agents.20243802.110> (Impact Factor = 3.20, HEC = X category)
  32. Hafiz Muhammad Rehman , Wardah Shoaib , Muhammad Naveed Khan , Numan Yousaf , Fareeha Bashir , Hamid Bashir , \*Qurban Ali , Shiming Han. *A Comprehensive In Silico Study of the NDB-IL-24 Fusion Protein for Tumor Targeting: A Promising Anti-Cancer Therapeutic Candidate*. *Journal of Biological Regulators and Homeostatic Agents*. 2024, 38(4): 3449-3461 <https://doi.org/10.23812/j.biol.regul.homeost.agents.20243804.274> (Impact Factor = 3.20, HEC = X category)
  33. Saima Jamil , Amin Ullah , Sadia Butt , Jamshaid Ahmad , Muhammad Ajmal Khan , Zafar Abbas Shah , Sajjad Ahmad , Ajaz Ahmad , Sher Ali , \*Qurban Ali. *Genetic Variability of Untypable Hepatitis C Virus Isolates Based on 5'-Untranslated Region*. *Journal of Biological Regulators and Homeostatic Agents*. 2024, 38(1): 585-593 <https://doi.org/10.23812/j.biol.regul.homeost.agents.20243801.48> (Impact Factor = 3.20, HEC = X category)
  34. Shan, M.A., Khan, M.U., Ishtiaq, W. Rehman R. Khan, S. Javed, MA. Qurban Ali\*. *In silico analysis of the Val66Met mutation in BDNF protein: implications for psychological stress*. *AMB Expr* **14**, 11 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13568-024-01664-w> (Impact Factor = 3.70, HEC = X category)

35. Sami, A., Han, S., Haider, M.Z. *et al.* *Genetics aspect of vitamin C (Ascorbic Acid) biosynthesis and signaling pathways in fruits and vegetables crops.* *Funct Integr Genomics* **24**, 73 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10142-024-01352-9> (Impact Factor = 3.90, HEC = W category)
36. Khatoun, N., Alam, Z., Hussain, I. Rameen K., \*Qurban Ali, *et al.* *Comprehensive analysis of Seriphidium kurramense: GC/MS profiling, antibacterial and antibiofilm activities, molecular docking study and in-silico ADME profiling.* *Discov Appl Sci* **6**, 107 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s42452-024-05761-0> (Impact Factor = 2.80, HEC = X category)
37. Iftikhar, A., Farooq, R., Akhtar, M. Khalid, H., Hussain, N. \*Qurban Ali, Malook, SU. Ali D. *Ecological and sustainable implications of phosphorous-solubilizing microorganisms in soil.* *Discov Appl Sci* **6**, 33 (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s42452-024-05683-x> (Impact Factor = 2.60, HEC = X category)
38. Peng Jin-liang, Kashif Rafiq Zahid, Zhou Yu-ming, Qurban Ali, Qiu Chong-Rong, (2024). *Nanotechnology to Treat Sepsis.* *Genetics and Molecular Research.* 23 (2): gmr34059. (Impact Factor = 0.60 HEC = X category)
39. Haider MZ, Sami A, Shafiq M, Anwar W, Ali S, \*Qurban Ali, Muhammad S, Manzoor I, Shahid MA, Ali D and Alarifi S (2023) *Genome-wide identification and in-silico expression analysis of carotenoid cleavage oxygenases gene family in Oryza sativa (rice) in response to abiotic stress.* *Front. Plant Sci.* 14:1269995.doi: <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpls.2023.1269995> (Impact Factor = 5.60, HEC = W category)
40. Batool, F., Hassan, S., Azam, S. Zunaira Sher, \*Qurban Ali, Bushra Rashid. *Transformation and expressional studies of GaZnF gene to improve drought tolerance in Gossypium hirsutum.* *Sci Rep* **13**, 5064 (2023). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-023-32383-0> (Impact Factor = 4.996, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
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42. Iqbal, Adnan, Sibgha Aslam, Sidra Akhtar, \*Qurban Ali, Abdul Qayyum Rao, and Tayyab Husnain. *Over-expression of GhACTIN1 under the control of GhSCFP promoter improves cotton fiber and yield.* *Sci Rep* **13**, 18377 (2023). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-023-45782-0> (Impact Factor = 4.996, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
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44. Zahid, Sara, Arif Malik, Suleyman Waqar, Fatima Zahid, Nusrat Tariq, Ali Imran Khawaja, Waqas Safir, Faisal Gulzar, Javeid Iqbal, and \*Qurban Ali. *Countenance and implication of B-sitosterol, B-amyryn and epiafzelechin in nickel exposed Rat: in-silico and in-vivo approach.* *Sci Rep* **13**, 21351 (2023). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-023-48772-4> (Impact Factor = 4.996, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
45. Khurram, Iqra, Muhammad Umer Khan, Saooda Ibrahim, Ayman Saleem, Zaman Khan, Muhammad Mubeen, Arooj Khawar, and \*Qurban Ali. *Efficacy of cell-free DNA as a diagnostic biomarker in breast cancer patients.* *Sci Rep* **13**, 15347 (2023). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-023-42726-6> (Impact Factor = 4.996, HEC = W category); Nature Publishing Group, London
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48. Farid, N.; Ullah, A.; Khan, S.; Butt, S.; Khan, A.Z.; Afsheen, Z.; El-Serehy, H.A.; Yasmin, H.; Ayaz, T.; \***Qurban Ali**. *Algae and Hydrophytes as Potential Plants for Bioremediation of Heavy Metals from Industrial Wastewater*. *Water* 2023, 15, 2142. <https://doi.org/10.3390/w15122142> (Impact Factor = 3.40, HEC = W category).
  49. Said Hassan, Bashir Ahmad, Muhammad Waseem Khan, Zafar Abbass Shah, Amin Ullah, Sana Ullah, Dilfaraz Khan, Muhammad Rizwan, Ajaz Ahmad, \***Qurban Ali**, Prashant Kaushik, and Semih Yilmaz. *Cytotoxic Activity of Phytoconstituents Isolated from *Monotheca buxifolia* against Hepatocellular Carcinoma Cell Line HepG2: In Vitro and Molecular Docking Studies*. *ACS Omega* 2023 8 (37), 33572-33579. <https://doi.org/10.1021/acsomega.3c03705> (Impact Factor = 4.10, HEC = W category)
  50. Muhammad Aown Sammar Raza, Adnan Noor Shah, Muhammad Asghar Shahid, Muhammad Nawaz, Muhammad Arif Ibrahim, Rashid Iqbal, Muhammad Usman Aslam, Sezai Ercisli, and **Qurban Ali**. *Nano-Biochar Enhances Wheat Crop Productivity by Vindicating the Effects of Drought: In Relation to Physiological and Phenological Stages*. *ACS Omega* 2023 8 (41), 37808-37819. <https://doi.org/10.1021/acsomega.3c01629> (Impact Factor = 4.10, HEC = W category)
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