

CURRICULUM VITAE

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I. PERSONAL DATA

Present Assignment: Research Molecular Biologist, USDA –ARS, Grain, Forage and Bioenergy Research Unit, Lincoln, NE. 332 Keim Hall, East Campus, Lincoln, NE 68583-0939.
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II. EDUCATION

Ph.D. 1984 University of California-Davis
M.Sc. 1976 Botany. University of Delhi, Delhi, India
B.Sc (Honors) 1974 Botany. University of Delhi, Delhi, India

III. ACADEMIC AWARDS AND HONORS

2004: Appointed as Adjunct Professor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

1996: Promoted to Associate Professor and Fellow of the Graduate College, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

1990: Promoted to Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

1987: Full travel and registration award to attend and present research at the Tenth Annual Symposium in Plant Physiology at the University of California-Riverside, January 8-10.

1983: DuPont Travel Award, Department of Agronomy and Range Science, University of California-Davis.

1976-1978: Doctoral Fellowship, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, India.

1974-1976: Merit Fellowship, Indian Council of Agricultural Research.

IV. POSITIONS HELD

2003-Present: Research Molecular Biologist, USDA-ARS
Grain, Forage and Bioenergy Research Unit, Lincoln, NE
& Adjunct Professor of Agronomy, Horticulture and Entomology
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583

1996-2003: Associate Professor, Center for Biotechnology & Department of Biochemistry,

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University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0718.

1989-1995: Assistant Professor, Center for Biotechnology & Department of Biochemistry
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0718.

1984-1989: Research Associate, Department of Biochemistry
University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68583-0718.

1980-1984: Research Assistant, Department of Agronomy and Range Science
University of California-Davis, Davis, CA 95616.

1979-1980: Post-Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Botany
University of California-Davis, Davis, CA 95616.

1976-1978: Research Fellow, Department of Botany, University of Delhi
Delhi, India.

1974-1976 : Junior Research Fellow, Department of Botany, University of Delhi
Delhi, India.

V. ACADEMIC/SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

Served on several hiring committees as a member or chair.

- Graduated 6 PhD students, 4 MS student and several undergraduate students (Honors Theses).
- Co-advised 6 PhD students and 5 MS students
- Serve on 6 MS and 6 PhD supervisory committees.

VI. GRANTS

CURRENT GRANTS

2014-2019: “Exploiting natural diversity to identify alleles and mechanisms of cold adaption in switchgrass”. USDA-DOE Feedstock Genomics Program, Co-PI. NIFA Award Number: 2014-67009-22310. GS-\$109,999

2016-2020: “Genetics and Genomics of Pathogen Resistance in Switchgrass”. USDA-DOE Feedstock Genomics Program, Co-PI. DOE Award Number: DE-SC0016108. \$1,019,326

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PENDING GRANTS

2020-2025: "Systems Level Understanding of Switchgrass Cold Hardiness and Microbiome for Sustainable Biomass Yields". DOE-BER. Co-PI.

PREVIOUS GRANTS AWARDED

1990-1991: "Soybean root nodule proteins", University of Nebraska-Lincoln Research Council.

1991-1992: "Design and synthesis of peptidase substrates", University of Nebraska-Lincoln Research Council.

1992-1993: "Molecular cloning and site-directed mutagenesis of a leghemoglobin gene, Lba, from soybean root nodules", Center for Biotechnology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. 1 of 4 PIs.

1992-1993: "Protein phosphatase substrates", Center for Biotechnology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. 1 of 2 PIs.

1992-1994: "The role of acetylcholine in plant signal transduction pathways: An interdisciplinary investigation", Center for Biotechnology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. 1 of 3 PIs.

1995-1996: Development of wheat gluten binders for textile print pastes, IANR-ARD-Dean=s Office. 1 of 2 PIs.

1993-1996: Chloroplast Protein Phosphatase, NSF. 1 of 2 PIs.

1995-1996: Acquisition of the PerSeptive Instruments BioCAD Workstation, USDA-NRICGP. 1 of 2 PIs.

1995-1998: Enzymes influencing leghemoglobin in legumes, USDA-NRICGP. 1 of 2 PIs.

1998-2000. Soy protein allergens, Pioneer Hibred International. 1 of 3 PIs.

1999-2004. NSF-EPSCOR, Bioinformatics, 1 of several PIs

1999-2003. NIH-BRIN, Functional Genomics, 1 of several PIs.

2003: NIH-COBRE, Establish Redox Biology Center (Collaborator)

2004-2007: NIH: Vitamin-dependent modification of histones. Co-PI

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Mentor: NIH-BRIN: Nebraska Research Network in Functional Genomics. July 1, 2004 through June 30 2009.

2011-2012 “Micro/nanomechanical studies of switchgrass composition and cellulose breakdown kinetics” funded through the UNL-Energy Sciences Research, Co-PI.

2009-2013: “The hunt for green every April: Factors affecting fitness in switchgrass”. DOE-USDA Feedstocks Genomics Program. US Department of Energy Grant Number DE-AI02-09ER64829PI.

2011-2016: “Mitigating insect herbivory of warm-season bioenergy grasses - getting ahead of the curve”. USDA-NIFA Competitive Grants Program, PI. NIFA Award Number: 2011-67009-30096. \$997,741

VII. RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research interests lie in the general domain of plant biology and biofuels. I have focused on understanding the molecular, physiological and biochemical aspects of plant development, cell function, senescence and response to environmental stress. Additionally, I have collaborations with other scientists encompassing a variety of disciplines.

VIII. TEACHING INTERESTS

Plant biochemistry & physiology; Nitrogen fixation; General botany; Plant development; Biomass crops genomics and utilization.

IX. RESEARCH EXPERTISE

Extensive experience in biochemistry, molecular biology, analytical methodology and plant developmental physiology including, protein purification, enzymology, mutagenesis, cloning, and expression of recombinant proteins and peptides. Biology of energy crops and their utilization. Enjoy collaborative work.

X. TEACHING EXPERIENCE

I have taught an Introductory Biochemistry course for non-majors.

I have developed and taught a course entitled: Research Techniques in Biochemistry. This was a joint upper level undergraduate/beginning graduate student laboratory/lecture course. The course focused on developing skills associated with analyzing and characterizing proteins. It exposed students to several aspects of protein analyses, such as spectrophotometry, enzyme kinetics, gel electrophoresis, immunoblotting techniques and protein purification.

I have taught courses in Plant Physiology and Plant development as a Teaching Assistant during my Ph. D. Program. I have guest –lectured in several classes since 2003.

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XI. PUBLICATIONS

Chapters in Books

G. Sarath, and F.W. Wagner. (1989) Immunodetection of Nitrogenase, In: *Modern Method of Plant Analysis*. Springer-Verlag, Heidelberg. 9, 227-239.

G. Sarath, R.S. de la Motte, and F.W. Wagner. (1989) Assay of Proteases, In: *Proteolytic Enzymes-A Practical Approach*. IRL Press, London. pp 25-55.

G. Sarath, M.G. Zeece, and A.R. Penheiter. (2001) Assay of Proteases, In: *Proteolytic Enzymes-A Practical Approach*. IRL Press, London.

G. Sarath, and S.D. Schwartzbach. (2001) Use of GFP as a reporter for the analysis of sequence-specific proteases (Unit 21.14). *Current Protocols in Protein Science*.

G. Camporeale, N. Kothapalli, G. Sarath, and J. Zemleni (2005) Roles for biotinylation of histones in chromatin structure, In: *Nutrients and Cell Signaling*, J. Zemleni and K. Dakshinamurti (eds.). Taylor and Francis Group. Boca Raton, FL. pp: 277-296.

M. Zeece, J. Markwell, G. Sarath and X. Gu (2006) Proteomic assessment of allergens in foods, In: *Detecting allergens in foods*, S.F. Koppelman and S.L. Hefle (eds.). CRC Press. Boca Raton, FL. pp: 144-157.

K.P. Vogel, G. Sarath, A.J. Saathoff, and R.B. Mitchell (2011) Switchgrass. p. 341-380. In: N.G. Halford and A.Karp (Eds.) *Energy Crops*. The Royal Society of Chemistry, Cambridge, UK.

L.E. Bartley, Y.Wu, A.J. Saathoff and G. Sarath (2013) Switchgrass genetics and breeding challenges. In: *Bioenergy Feedstocks. Breeding and Genetics*. M.C. Saha, H. Bhandari, and J. Bouton (Eds.). Wiley and Sons. New York

Symposium Proceedings

F.W. Wagner, G. Sarath (1987) Biochemical changes in stressed and senescent soybean root nodules. In: *Plant Senescence: Its Biochemistry and Physiology*. The American Society of Plant Physiologists. pp 190-197.

Journal Articles

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2. G. Sarath, H.C. Cohen, F.W. Wagner (1986) High-performance liquid chromatographic

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separation of leghemoglobins from soybean root nodules. *Anal. Biochem.* 154: 224-231.

3. G. Sarath, N.E. Pfeiffer, C.S. Sodhi, F.W. Wagner (1986) Bacteroids are stable during dark-induced senescence of soybean root nodules. *Plant Physiol.* 82: 346-350.

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6. C. Lin, G. Sarath, J.A. Frank and R.J. Krueger. (1991) Bivalent ACTH antagonists: Influence of peptide and spacer component on potency enhancement. *Biochem Pharmacol.* 41: 789-795.

7. Y-H. Wang, S.M.G. Duff, L. Lepiniec, C. Cretin, G. Sarath, S.A. Condon, J. Vidal, P. Gadai, and R. Chollet. (1992) Site-directed mutagenesis of the phosphorylatable serine (ser8) in C4 phosphoenolpyruvate carboxylase from sorghum. *J. Biol. Chem.* 267: 16759-16762.

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9. D.A. Dalton, L.M. Baird, L. Langeberg, C. Taugher, W.R. Anyan, C.P. Vance and G. Sarath. (1993) Subcellular localization of oxygen defense enzymes in soybean (*Glycine max* [L]. Merr) root nodules. *Plant Physiology.* 102: 481-487.

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12. S.M.G. Duff, G. Sarath and W.C. Plaxton (1994) The role of acid phosphatases in plant phosphorous metabolism. *Physiol Plant.* 90: 791-800.

13. L. Ji, M. Becana, G. Sarath and R.V. Klucas (1994) Cloning and sequence analysis of a cDNA encoding ferric leghemoglobin reductase from soybean nodules. *Plant Physiol.* 104: 453-459.

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14. H-K. Jun, G. Sarath and F.W. Wagner (1994) Detection and purification of modified leghemoglobins from soybean root nodules. *Plant Sci.* 100: 31-40.
15. L. Ji, M. Becana, G. Sarath, L. Shearman and R.V. Klucas (1994) Over-expression in *Escherichia coli* and characterization of a soybean ferric leghemoglobin reductase. *Plant Physiol.* 106: 203-209.
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17. V.K. Pedibhotla, J.R. Sauer, G. Sarath and D.W. Stanley-Samuelson (1994). Prostaglandin biosynthesis and subcellular localization of PGH synthase activity in lone star tick, *Amblyomma americanum*. *Insect Biochem. Mol. Biol.* 25: 1027-1039.
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- “Application of functional genomic tools for exploring switchgrass feedstocks improved through divergent selection”. 27th Symposium on Biotechnology for Fuels and Chemicals, April 29-May 1, 2005, Denver, CO.
- “Modification of herbaceous biomass composition to enhance ethanol yields in a biorefinery”. *Agricultural Biotechnology: Today and Tomorrow*, Gordon Research Conference. March 11-March 16, (2007), Ventura, CA.
- “Fuels from herbaceous feedstocks: A switchgrass-centric perspective”. National American Chemical Society Meetings. March 22-March 28, (2007). Chicago, IL.
- "Cell wall composition and accessibility to hydrolytic enzymes is differentially altered in divergently bred switchgrass (*Panicum virgatum* L.) genotypes," 29th Symposium on Biotechnology for Fuels and Chemicals, April 29-May 1, 2007, Denver, CO.
- “Switchgrass and sorghum for biofuels”. Invited seminar at Coe College, Cedar Rapids, IA, March 8, 2008.
- “Switchgrass for biofuels: Insights through microscopy. Annual Meetings of the Microscopy Society of America, August 3-7, 2008, Albuquerque, NM
- “Switchgrass, lignin, enzymes and ethanol”. 30th Symposium on Biotechnology for Fuels and Chemicals, May 2 – May 5, 2008, New Orleans, LA.
- “Sustainable herbaceous biofuel production: Implications and impact”. Second UNU-GIST symposium. October 19-21 2008, Gwangju, Korea.
- “Genetic modification of switchgrass for increased ethanol production”. Annual Meeting of the Korean Society of Applied Biochemistry. October 22, 2008. Daegu, Korea.

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- “Switchgrass for biofuels – if this aint chemistry what is?” Invited seminar, Creighton University, Omaha, NE. September 17, 2009
- “Switchgrass a cool warm-season grass”. Invited seminar. Department of Agronomy, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, NE. February 12, 2010
- “Discovering traits controlling winter-hardiness and spring regrowth in diverse switchgrass germplasm”. 32nd Symposium on Biotechnology for Fuels and Chemicals, April 19-22, 2010, Clearwater Beach, FL.
- “The Hunt for Green Every April: phenotypic and metabolomic analysis of nutrient remobilization in Switchgrass”. XIX Plant and Animal Genome Conference, January 15-19 2011, San Diego, CA.
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- “Switchgrass for biology – so cool for a hot field”. Graduate Seminar, University of Nebraska at Omaha, March 9, 2011.
- “Using basic tools to understand switchgrass development”. Seminar at South Dakota State University. October 14, 2011.
- “Sustainable Perennial Feedstocks for Second and Third Generation Conversion Platforms”. Talk within the Fuels Panel, at the Heartlands Transatlantic Conference on Food and Fuels, October 16-18, 2011, Lincoln, NE
- “ARS Biomass Research Centers, establishment, goals, future needs and partnerships. Talk at the Biofuels symposium at the Annual Meetings of the Entomological Society of America, November 13, 2011 – cancelled due to family illness.
- “Switchgrass Molecular Biology 101”. Seminar for Center for Grassland Studies, University of Nebraska at Lincoln, November 28, 2011.
- “Building improved crown and rhizome transcriptomes to evaluate seasonal changes in switchgrass populations with divergent winter survival”. Talk at the Annual DOE Feedstocks Genomics Meeting, San Diego, January 14, 2012
- “Crown and rhizome transcriptomes from upland and lowland tetraploid switchgrasses”. Talk at the 34th Symposium on Biotechnology for Fuels and Chemicals, April 30-May 3, 2012, New Orleans, LA.
- “Switchgrass, cell walls and pyrolysis” at the 35th Symposium on Biotechnology for Fuels and Chemicals, Portland, OR, 2013.
- “Genetic resources for the improvement of switchgrass (*Panicum virgatum* L.) for biomass and forage” at the XXIII International Grass Congress, New Delhi, India, 2015.
- “Switchgrass metabolism”, Department of Agronomy and Horticulture, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE, 2017.
- “Molecular genetics of host plant resistance in switchgrass”, Department of Entomology, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, 2018.