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CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL DETAILS

NAME: BUSHRA SADIA
DESIGNATION: Professor and Director
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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Plant Protoplast technologies (Protoplast-to-plant regeneration, Protoplast fusion)
- Plant Transformation: PCR, RT PCR, Southern blot, GUS histo/ fluorometric assays
- Cryopreservation of plant cell suspension and meristems
- Doubled haploid production in wheat
- DNA fingerprinting, Association analysis and GWAS in plants

EDUCATION

PhD in Plant Sciences (1998-2002), School of Biosciences, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK
MSc Hons. Agriculture (1992-94), majoring Plant Breeding and Genetics, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad. Pakistan (CGPA 4.00/4.00)
BSc. Hons. Agriculture (1987-1991), majoring Plant Breeding and Genetics, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad. Pakistan (CGPA 3.95/4.00)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director (CABB): 15.04.2023 till present
Professor BPS (Biotechnology): Centre of Agricultural Biochemistry and Biotechnology (CABB) University of Agriculture, Faisalabad (UAF), 22.03.2022 till present
Associate Professor BPS (Biotechnology): Centre of Agricultural Biochemistry and Biotechnology (CABB) University of Agriculture, Faisalabad (UAF), 2015 till present
Chair Biotechnology: U.S.-Pakistan Center for Advanced Studies in Agriculture and Food Security (USPCAS-AFS) University of Agriculture, Faisalabad (UAF), 2015 -2017
Assistant Professor Tenured (Biotechnology): Centre of Agricultural Biochemistry and Biotechnology (CABB) University of Agriculture, Faisalabad (UAF), 2009-2014
Assistant Professor Regular (Biotechnology): Centre of Agricultural Biochemistry and Biotechnology (CABB) University of Agriculture, Faisalabad (UAF), 2007-2009
Assistant Botanist: Agri. Biotechnology Research Institute, AARI, Faisalabad, Pakistan, 2003-2007; Pulses Research Institute, AARI, Faisalabad, Pakistan, 1998-2003
Assistant Research Officer: Agri. Biotechnology Research Institute, AARI, Faisalabad, Pakistan, 1993-1998

HONORS

1987-1994- Education Board (Sargodha, Pakistan) Merit Scholarship for FSc, BSc (Hons) studies
1991- Bronze medal in BSc Hons. Agriculture, UAF
1998- Commonwealth Scholarship for PhD Studies in UK
2001- Student travel award from The Royal Society, UK
2001- Student travel award from Society for In vitro Biology, USA
2001- Wilton R. Earle award for the best poster presentation from Society for In vitro Biology, USA

2002- Postdoctoral Research Fellowship USDA-ARS, USA for research on *Agrobacterium*-mediated transformation of sorghum

JOURNAL ARTICLES:

- Liaquat, I., R Munir, NA Abbasi, B Sadia, A Muneer, F Younas, MF Sardar, M Zahid and S Noreen. 2024. Exploring zeolite-based composites in adsorption and photocatalysis for toxic wastewater treatment: Preparation, mechanisms, and future perspectives. *Environmental Pollution*, p.123922.
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- Hussain, S., B Sadia, HA Sadaqat and FS Awan. 2023. Evaluation of yield components and heat susceptibility of Pakistani wheat (*Triticum Aestivum* L.) germplasm subjected to induced terminal heat stress. *Pak. J. Bot.* 55(3). DOI:10.30848/PJB2023-3(37).
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- Numan, M., SA Bukhari, MU Rehman, G Mustafa and B Sadia. 2021. Phylogenetic analyses, protein modeling and active site prediction of two pathogenesis related (PR2 and PR3) genes from bread wheat. *PloS one*, 16(9), p.e0257392
- Yasmeen, S., MM Khan, SAM Abbas, B Sadia and M Azam. 2021. Evaluation of fungicides against phytophthora and fusarium (root rot spp.) of citrus rootstocks seedlings. *J. glob. innov. agric. soc. sci.*, 9, pp.145-154
- Habib, M, FS Awan, B Sadia and MA Zia. 2020. Genetic dissection of yield enhancing traits in pakistani spring wheat genotypes. *Pak. J. Agri. Sci*, 57(5), pp.1243-1251
- M Habib, FS Awan, B Sadia, MA Zia. 2020. Genome-Wide Association Mapping for Stripe Rust Resistance in Pakistani Spring Wheat Genotypes. *Plants*, 9(9), p.1056
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- Kabir Z, A Wahid, M Arfan and B. Sadia. 2018. Role of medium supplementation of ethylene biosynthesis inhibitors in improving grain yield and quality in rice. Int. J. Agric. Biol., 20: 761–768
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- Arshad SF, B Sadia, FS Awan and MJ Jaskani. 2017. Estimation of genetic divergence among sorghum germplasm of Pakistan through multivariate tools. Int. J. Agric. Biol., 19: 1099–1106
- Altaf S, IA. Khan, B Sadia, MJ Jaskani and AA Khan. 2017. Initiation and maintenance of cell suspension cultures of two citrus species for protoplast isolation. Int. J. Agric. Biol., 19: 08–12
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BOOK CHAPTERS

- FS Awan, B Sadia, J Altaf, M Habib, K Hameed and S Hussain. 2021. Genetic Variability through Induced Mutation. In Genetic Variation. IntechOpen

- Sadia B, FS Awan, J. Altaf, F Saleem S Frogh Arshad, ABin Umar and M Nasir. 2021. Exploring plant genetic variations with morphometric and molecular markers: Sorghum. In: Genetic Diversity. Rafael Maia, Editor. (ISBN 978-1-83881-097-9) IntechOpen.
- B Sadia, Awan FS, Saleem F, Razzaq A and Irshad B. 2019. Sorghum: an important annual feedstock for bioenergy. In: Biomass for Bioenergy - Recent Trends and Future Challenges. Abd El-Fatah Abomohra, Editor. <https://www.intechopen.com/books> , ISBN 978-1-78923-988-1
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- Fozia Saleem, B Sadia and FS Awan. 2017. Control of Aflatoxin Production Using Herbal Plant Extract, Aflatoxin-Control, Analysis, Detection and Health Risks, Dr. Lukman Abdur'Uf (Ed.), InTech, DOI: 10.5772/intechopen.69867. Available from: <https://www.intechopen.com/books/aflatoxin-control-analysis-detection-and-health-risks/control-of-aflatoxin-production-using-herbal-plant-extract>

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Completed Projects (As PI):

- Micropropagation and Commercial Exploitation of Papaya (*Carica papaya*): A Potential Candidate for Dengue Fever Treatment (EFS, UAF)
- Creation and Exploitation of Seedless Citrus Using Protoplast Technology (Funded by HEC)
- Climate Smart Wheat: Development of heat and drought tolerant wheat for Pakistan (Funded by USAID)
- Genetic improvement of sorghum as biofuel feedstock using high throughput phenomics and genomic approaches (Funded by USAID)

STUDENTS SUPERVISED

- PhD: Completed = 2 Ongoing = 5
- MPhil / MSc Hons Agri Biotechnology: 65 (Completed), 5 (Ongoing)

MEMBERSHIPS

- Member editorial board Agricultural Sciences Journal (ASJ)
- Member editorial board The Pakistan Journal of Agricultural Sciences (PAKJAS)
- Borlaug's Global Rust Initiative (BGRI), Cornell University, USA
- Member Organization for Women in Science for the Developing World (OWSD)
- Member International Association for plant Biotechnology
- Member Commonwealth Alumni Association
- Nottingham Alumni students Association
- Member senate University of Agriculture, Faisalabad
- Member UAF Finance Committee
- Member Affiliation Committee
- Convener Ethics committee, UAF