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Research Areas/ Areas of Interest

- Transcriptional regulation during drought tolerance and nanoparticle mediated drought recovery in plants

Teaching Experience and Courses Taught

Teaching Experience: 16 years

Courses Taught are as follows

- Fundamentals of Molecular Biology
- Plant Molecular Biology
- Epigenetics & Gene Regulations
- Regulations in Biotechnology
- Cell Biology

Research Projects

- Investigating the role of Dof transcription factor in accumulation of seed storage proteins and nitrogen metabolism during grain development in finger millet
- Cloning and functional validation of drought responsive genes from *Eleusine coracana*

- Molecular Cloning and functional validation of mdar gene of Eleusine coracana for oxidative stress tolerance
- Full Length cloning and in-silico analysis of Myb gene from Eleusine coracana for drought stress tolerance

Publications

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3. Akash Sinha, Megha Bhatt and **Pushpa Lohani (2020)** Identification of superior allele for drought responsive Myb gene in germplasm of Eleusine coracana collected from different regions of Uttarakhand. Accepted for publication in *Research Journal of Biotechnology*
4. Sikha Snehal and **Pushpa Lohani (2018)** Silica nanoparticles: Its green synthesis and importance in agriculture *Journal of Pharmacognosy and Phytochemistry* 7(5): 3383-3393
5. Sarita Kumari, **Pushpa Lohani** and Sumeet Kumar Singh (2020) In silico gene characterisation and Promoter analysis of drought inducible myb gene from Eleusine coracana. *Journal of Pharmacognosy and Phytochemistry*, SP6: 123-127.
6. Devyani Jogran, Jeetendra Singh Bohra and **Pushpa Lohani (2020)** CRISPER-CAS System and Its Applications. *Bulletin of Environment, Pharmacology and Life Sciences*, Vol 9[9]: 172-179
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8. Dinesh Yadav, Nidhi Gupta, Anil Kumar, **Pushpa Lohani**, Munna Singh and U.S. Singh (2009) Role of plant transcription factor-DOF in enhancing nitrogen use efficiency: molecular means for promoting organic farming *Ecosystem Diversity and Carbon Sequestration: Climate Change Challenges and A Way Out for Ushering in Sustainable Future* Daya Pub, 2009, xxiv, 386 p
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10. Shraddha Shrama and **Pushpa Lohani (2018)** In Silico Plant Growth Metabolites. In: *In Silico Approaches For Sustainable Agriculture*: Devendra K. Choudhary,

Manoj Kumar, Ram Prasad, and Vivek Kumar (Eds) (In Press) Springer Nature Singapore Pvt. Ltd., Singapore.

11. Prafull Salvi, Sandeep Arora, **Pushpa Lohani (2012)** Expression of MYB Transcription Factor in *Eleusine coracana*: towards making of drought tolerant plants LAP Lambert Academic Publishing AG & Co KG ISBN 9783848482917