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Citations	2812
H-Index	30
I-10 index	69

- Date of Birth** : 25th May 1989
- Area of Specialization** : Plant Physiology, Abiotic stress tolerance, Biotic stress, Drought, Heat, Salinity, Nutritional and Resistant Starch

3. EDUCATION

Year of completion 2016-2022	PhD (Plant Physiology, Gold Medalist) , Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI), New Delhi, India Thesis Title: Analysis of Glycemic Index and Associated Attributes in Potato Tubers <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Advisor: Dr. Madan Pal Singh, IARI, New Delhi➤ Final Grade: 8.26/10 or 82.6%
2013-2015	Master of Science (Plant Physiology) , Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI), New Delhi, India <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Study emphases: Plant nutrition, Climate change, Abiotic stress➤ Thesis title: Effect of High [CO₂] on Phosphorus Efficiency in Wheat Grown Under Phosphorus Stress with Different Sulphur Levels➤ Advisor: Dr. Renu Pandey, Mineral Nutrition Lab, IARI, New Delhi➤ Final Grade: 8.63/10 or 86.3%
2009-2013	Bachelor of Science (Agriculture) , Orissa University of Agriculture and Technology, College of Agriculture, Bhubaneswar, Odisha (India) <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Study emphases: Agricultural science, including crop production and its protection➤ Final Grade: 8.18/10 or 81.8%

4. Professional History

Period	Designation	Detail of work
02/07/2018-08/10/2018	Scientist	Posting at ICAR-NAARM, Hyderabad, for Foundation Course for Agricultural Research Service (FOCARS)
09/10/2018-15/12/2023	Scientist	He is an expert worker in the area of abiotic stress such as heat, drought salinity and heavy metal. Moreover, he is also working on the aspect of effect of biotic stress such as fungus, virus and bacteria on plant physiological, biochemical and molecular responses. Apart from this, he also has expertise in the nutritional and quality aspects of starchy crops, including resistant starch, glycemic index, phytonutrients, functional fermented foods and beverages, bioactive compounds, and various processing techniques to enhance these components in food products of starchy crops. He is the recipient of prestigious awards such as the Young Researcher Award, Best PhD Thesis Award, IARI PhD Merit Medal and RD Asana Gold Medal Award and IPA-Kaushalya Sikka Team Award. His findings have generated more than 120 publications in the international peer-reviewed journal.
18/12/2023-Till Date	Scientist	Presently working in the area of abiotic such as drought, heat stress and nutritional aspect of rice and other starchy crops at ICAR-National Rice Research Institute, Cuttack, India.

4. Publication

- Research and Review papers: 125
- Books: 5
- Popular articles: 31
- Technical Bulletins: 2
- Book chapters: 31
- E-publications: 10
- Gene accession number: 55
- Technology granted by ICAR: 2
- h-index: 30, i10-index: 69 with 2812 citations

4. Awards and Recognition

Sl No.	Year	Awards	Institute/University/ Professional society
1.	2023	IPA-Kausalya Sikka Team Award	Indian Potato Association, Shimla
2.	2023	IARI PhD Merit Medal 2022	ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi
3.	2023	R.D. Asana Gold Medal Award 2022	Indian Society of Plant Physiology, New Delhi, India

4.	2022	Best Thesis Award (Plant Physiology)	Society of Agroecological Sustainability, Odisha	
5.	2021	Best Poster Award on “Effect of Potato Apical Leaf Curl disease on Resistant starch and Glycemic index of Potato (<i>Solanum tuberosum</i> L.” Presented in International Potato e-Conference 2021, ICAR-Central Potato Research Institute, Shimla, 23-26 th November 2021	Indian Association	Potato
6.	2021	Best Poster Award on “Standardization of a one-step reverse transcription recombinase polymerase amplification protocol for rapid and sensitive detection of potato virus X in potato.” Presented in International Potato e-Conference 2021, ICAR-Central Potato Research Institute, Shimla, 23-26 th November 2021	Indian Association	Potato
7.	2021	Best Oral Presentation Award on “Vacuum impregnation: A novel tool for development of ascorbic acid fortified potato and its products.” Presented in International Potato e-Conference 2021, ICAR-Central Potato Research Institute, Shimla, 23-26 th November 2021.	Indian Association	Potato
8.	2021	Best Poster Award on “Morpho-molecular identification and characterization of potato dry rot caused by <i>Fusarium proliferatum</i> in India.” Presented in International Potato e-Conference 2021, ICAR-Central Potato Research Institute, Shimla, 23-26 th November 2021.	Indian Association	Potato
9.	2021	Best Oral Presentation for research topic on “Effect of Fusarium dry rot on postharvest quality attributes of potato tubers” organized by Division of Plant Pathology, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi during August 18-20, 2021 at ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi, India. Technical session 6: Postharvest quality, value addition, export and entrepreneurship.	Indian Phytopathology and ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi	
10.	2021	Best Oral Presentation for research topic “Glycemic Response of Starchy Crops: Postharvest factors affecting starch digestibility” presented at International Conference on “Postharvest Disease Management and Value Addition of Horticultural Crops” organized by Division of Plant Pathology, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi during August 18-20, 2021 at ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi, India. Technical session 6: Postharvest quality, value addition, export and entrepreneurship.	Indian Phytopathology and ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi	
11.	2021	Young Achiever Award (2021) , presented by Institute of Scholar, Bengaluru.	INSC	
12.	2020	Best Poster Award (1st Position) for research paper “Potato as a bioenergy crop for fuel ethanol production: perspective and challenges” in the theme Potato Biotechnology and Omics at Global Potato Conclave- 2020, Gandhinagar Gujarat, India	Indian Association	Potato
13.	2020	Best Poster Award (3rd Position) for research paper “Standardization of Protocol for <i>Chaetomium globosum</i> mediated synthesis of nanosilver and evaluation of its antifungal properties” in the theme “Potato Disease Management”	Indian Association	Potato

14.	2020	Dr. Mukhtar Singh Memorial Best Oral Presentation Award (2nd Position) on “Genome-wide landscape of carotenoid biosynthesis pathway genes in potato” at Global Potato Conclave-2020, Gandhinagar Gujarat, India	Indian Potato Association
15.	2020	Best Poster Award (3rd Position) for research paper “Standardization of Protocol for Chaetomium globosum mediated synthesis of nanosilver and evaluation of its antifungal properties” in the theme “Potato Disease Management”	Indian Potato Association
16.	2020	Best Poster Award (1st Position) for research paper “Application of high throughput plant phenomics technique for potato” in the theme Post-Harvest Management and Value Addition at Global Potato Conclave- 2020, Gandhinagar Gujarat, India	Indian Potato Association
17.	2018	All India Rank – 5th , Agricultural Research Scientist examination-2016 conducted by Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India.	Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India.
18.	2018	AIASA Gold Medal Award (2018) presented by AIASA, New Delhi.	AIASA, New Delhi.
19.	2017	Young Scientist Award (2017) , presented by AIASA, New Delhi.	AIASA, New Delhi
20.	2016	Best Paper Presentation at National Seminar on Plant Genomics and Biotechnology-2016, Bhubaneswar, India	Odisha University of Agriculture and Technology, Bhubaneswar
21.	2016	Awarded with A+ grade in Green Revolution Global Certification Program by ICCE, sponsored by United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
22.	2016	All India Rank – 5th in AICE-SRF(PGS)-2016	(Indian Council of Agricultural Research)
23.	2015	Senior Research Fellowship- ICAR-SRF-PGS-2016	(Indian Council of Agricultural Research)
24.	2013	All India Rank – 5th , All India Entrance Examination for Admission to Master Degree Programmes in Agriculture and Allied Sciences, ICAR- 2015	(Indian Council of Agricultural Research)
25.	2013	Junior Research Fellowship – ICAR-JRF-PGS (Indian Council of Agricultural Research)	(Indian Council of Agricultural Research)

DETAILS OF MEMBERSHIP

SN	Membership	Involvement in Profession Society	Society
1.	Life Member	Life Member, Indian Potato Association, ICAR-Central Potato Research Institute, Shimla, India	IPA, ICAR-Central Potato Research

2.	Life Member	Life Member, Indian Society of Plant Physiology, New Delhi, India	Institute, Shimla, India Indian Society of Plant Physiology, New Delhi, India
3.	Honorary Life Member	Honorary Life Member, Asian PGPR Society of Sustainable Agriculture, USA	Asian PGPR Society of Sustainable Agriculture, USA
4.	Life Member	Life Member, Association of Rice Worker (ARRW), ICAR-National Rice Research Institute, Cuttack, India	ICAR-National Rice Research Institute, Cuttack, India
5.	Life Member	Life Member, All India Agricultural Students Association, NASC Complex, New Delhi, India	All India Agricultural Students Association, NASC Complex, New Delhi
6.	Life member	Life Professional member of Institute of Scholars (InSc)	Institute of Scholar (InSc)
7.	Councilor (Elected)	Indian Potato Association, North Zone	Indian Potato Association, North Zone
8.	Member	Life member of the Society for Ecological Sustainability, Odisha	Society for Ecological Sustainability, Odisha

DETAILS OF EDITORSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL JOURNALS

SN	Editorial Position	Name of the Journal
1.	Associate Editor	Frontiers in Microbiology
2.	Associate Editor	Plant Physiology Report
3.	Academic Editor	PLOS ONE
4.	Guest Associate Editor	Scientia Horticulturae
5.	Guest Associate Editor	South African Journal of Botany
6.	Editorial Board	BMC Plant Biology
7.	Guest Associate Editor	Frontiers in Plant Science
8.	Guest Associate Editor	Frontiers in Agronomy
9.	Review Editor	Frontiers in Nutrition
10.	Guest Associate Editor	Horticulturae
11.	Review Editor	Frontiers in Genetics
12.	Review Editor	Frontiers in Plant Science

Best 20 publications

S N	Year	Authors, Year of publication, Title of the article etc	Journal Name	Citation Total	IF 2022	NAAS Rating (IF+6)
1.	2021	Lal, M. K., Singh, B., Sharma, S., Singh, M. P., & Kumar, A. (2021). Glycemic index of starchy crops and factors affecting its digestibility: A review. <i>Trends in Food Science and Technology</i> , 111(6), 741–755. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tifs.2021.02.067	<i>Trends in Food Science and Technology</i>	101	16.002	20.00
2.	2020	Thakur, N., Raigond, P., Singh, Y., Mishra, T., Singh, B., Lal, M. K., & Dutt, S. (2020). Recent updates on bioaccessibility of phytonutrients. <i>Trends in Food Science and Technology</i> , 97, 366–380. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tifs.2020.01.019	<i>Trends in Food Science and Technology</i>	141	16.002	20.00
3.	2021	Lal, M. K., Tiwari, R. K., Kumar, R., Naga, K. C., Kumar, A., Singh, B., Raigond, P., Dutt, S., Chourasia, K. N., Kumar, D., Parmar, V., & Changan, S. S. (2021). Effect of potato apical leaf curl disease on glycemic index and resistant starch of potato (<i>Solanum tuberosum</i> L.) tubers. <i>Food Chemistry</i> , 359, 129939. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.foodchem.2021.129939	<i>Food Chemistry</i>	52	9.231	15.23
4.	2023	Kumar, R., Lal, M. K.*, Tiwari, R. K., Chourasia, K. N., Kumar, A., Kumar, R., Sharma, S., & Singh, B. (2023). Investigating the Interplay between Tomato Leaf Curl New Delhi Virus Infection, Starch Metabolism and Antioxidant Defence System in Potato (<i>Solanum tuberosum</i> L.). <i>Antioxidants</i> , 12(7), 1447. (*Corresponding author) https://doi.org/10.3390/antiox12071447	<i>Antioxidants</i>	3	7.0	13.0
5.	2023	Devi, R., Sharma, E., Thakur, R., Lal, P., Kumar, A., Altaf, M. A., Singh, B., Tiwari, R. K., Lal, M. K.*, & Kumar, R. (2023). Non-dairy prebiotics: Conceptual relevance with nutrigenomics and mechanistic understanding of the effects on human health. <i>Food Research International</i> , 170, 112980. (*Corresponding author) https://doi.org/10.1016/J.FOODRES.2023.112980	<i>Food Research International</i>	3	7.425	13.425
6.	2023	Kumar, A., Dash, G. K., Sahoo, S. K., Lal, M. K., Sahoo, U., Sah, R. P., Ngangkham, U., Kumar, S., Baig, M. J., Sharma, S., & Lenka, S. K. (2023). Phytic acid: a reservoir of phosphorus in seeds plays a dynamic role in plant and animal metabolism. <i>Phytochemistry Reviews</i> 2023, 1–24. https://doi.org/10.1007/S11101-023-09868-X	<i>Phytochemistry Reviews</i>	5	7.741	13.74
7.	2023	Mukherjee, P., Suriyakumar, P., Vanchinathan, S., Krishnan, V., Lal, M. K., Jha, P. K., Chinnusamy, V., Anand, A., & Prasad, P. V. V. (2023). Hydrogen Peroxide and GA3 Levels Regulate the High Night Temperature Response in Pistils of Wheat (<i>Triticum aestivum</i> L.). <i>Antioxidants</i> 2023, Vol. 12, Page 342,	<i>Antioxidants</i>	4	7.68	13.68

		12(2), 342. https://doi.org/10.3390/ANTIOX12020342				
8.	2022	Mishra, U. N., Jena, D., Sahu, C., Devi, R., Kumar, R., Jena, R., Irondi, E. A., Rout, S., Tiwari, R. K., Lal, M. K.* , Baig, M. J., & Kumar, A. (2022). Nutrigenomics: An inimitable interaction amid genomics, nutrition and health. <i>Innovative Food Science & Emerging Technologies</i> , 82, 103196. (*Corresponding author) https://doi.org/10.1016/J.IFSET.2022.103196	<i>Innovative Food Science & Emerging Technologies</i>	14	7.104	13.10
9.	2021	Kumar, A., Singh, B., Raigond, P., Sahu, C., Mishra, U. N., Sharma, S., & Lal, M. K.* (2021). Phytic acid: Blessing in disguise, a prime compound required for both plant and human nutrition. <i>Food Research International</i> , 142, 110193. (*Corresponding author) https://doi.org/10.1016/j.foodres.2021.110193	<i>Food Research International</i>	105	7.425	13.43
10.	2023	Kumar, R.; Kaundal, P.; Tiwari, R.K.; Lal, M.K.* ; Kumari, H.; Kumar, R.; Naga, K.C.; Kumar, A.; Singh, B.; Sagar, V.; Sharma, S. Development of Reverse Transcription Recombinase Polymerase Amplification (RT-RPA): A Methodology for Quick Diagnosis of Potato Leafroll Viral Disease in Potato. <i>Int. J. Mol. Sci.</i> 2023 , <i>24</i> , 2511. (*Corresponding author) https://doi.org/10.3390/ijms24032511	<i>International Journal of Molecular Sciences</i>	22	6.21	12.21
11.	2022	Lal, M.K.* ; Sharma, E.; Tiwari, R.K.; Devi, R.; Mishra, U.N.; Thakur, R.; Gupta, R.; Dey, A.; Lal, P.; Kumar, A.; Altaf, M.A.; Sahu, D.N.; Kumar, R.; Singh, B.; Sahu, S.K. Nutrient-Mediated Perception and Signalling in Human Metabolism: A Perspective of Nutrigenomics. <i>Int. J. Mol. Sci.</i> 2022 , <i>23</i> , 11305. (*Corresponding author) https://doi.org/10.3390/ijms231911305	<i>International Journal of Molecular Sciences</i>	12	6.21	12.21
12.	2022	Kumar, D., Lal, M. K.* , Dutt, S., Raigond, P., Changan, S. S., Tiwari, R. K., Chourasia, K. N., Mangal, V., & Singh, B. (2022). Functional Fermented Probiotics, Prebiotics, and Synbiotics from Non-Dairy Products: A Perspective from Nutraceutical. In <i>Molecular Nutrition and Food Research</i> (p. 2101059). John Wiley & Sons, Ltd. (*Corresponding author) https://doi.org/10.1002/mnfr.202101059	<i>Molecular Nutrition and Food Research</i>	33	6.575	12.58
13.	2021	Tiwari, R. K., Bashyal, B. M., Shanmugam, V., Lal, M. K. , Kumar, R., Sharma, S., Vinod, Gaikwad, K., Singh, B., & Aggarwal, R. (2021). Impact of Fusarium dry rot on physicochemical attributes of potato tubers during postharvest storage. <i>Postharvest Biology and Technology</i> , 181, 111638. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.postharvbio.2021.111638	<i>Postharvest Biology and Technology</i>	43	6.751	12.75

14.	2020	Singh, A., Raigond, P., Lal, M. K. , Singh, B., Thakur, N., Changan, S. S., Kumar, D., & Dutt, S. (2020). Effect of cooking methods on glycemic index and in vitro bioaccessibility of potato (<i>Solanum tuberosum</i> L.) carbohydrates. <i>Lwt</i> , 127, 109363. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.lwt.2020.109363	<i>LWT Food Science and Technology</i>	37	6.056	12.06
15.	2023	Tiwari, R.K.; Lal, M.K.* ; Kumar, R.; Sharma, S.; Sagar, V.; Kumar, A.; Singh, B.; Aggarwal, R. Impact of <i>Fusarium</i> Infection on Potato Quality, Starch Digestibility, In Vitro Glycemic Response, and Resistant Starch Content. <i>J. Fungi</i> 2023 , 9, 466. (*Corresponding author) https://doi.org/10.3390/jof9040466	<i>Journal of Fungi</i>	7	5.72	11.72
16.	2023	Sharma, E., Lal, M. K. , Gulati, A., & Gulati, A. (2023). Biochemical Characterization of γ -Glutamyl Transpeptidase from <i>Bacillus altitudinis</i> IHB B1644 and Its Application in the Synthesis of l-Theanine. <i>Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry</i> . https://doi.org/10.1021/ACS.JAFC.3C00295	<i>Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry</i>	3	5.90	11.90
17.	2023	Lal, P., Tiwari, R. K., Behera, B., Yadav, M. R., Sharma, E., Altaf, M. A., Jena, R., Ahmad, A., Dey, A., Kumar, A., Singh, B., Lal, M. K.* , & Kumar, R. (2023). Exploring potato seed research: a bibliometric approach towards sustainable food security. <i>Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems</i> , 7, 1229272. (*Corresponding author) https://doi.org/10.3389/FSUFS.2023.1229272	<i>Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems</i>	2	5.01	11.01
18.	2022	Lal, M.K.* , Tiwari, R.K., Jaiswal, A., Luthra, S.K., Singh, B., Kumar, S., Gopalakrishnan, S., Gaikwad, K., Kumar, A., Paul, V. and Singh, M.P., 2022. Combinatorial interactive effect of vegetable and condiments with potato on starch digestibility and estimated in vitro glycemic response. <i>Journal of Food Measurement and Characterization</i> , pp.1-13. (*Corresponding author) https://doi.org/10.1007/s11694-022-01354-w	<i>Journal of Food Measurement and Characterization</i>	8	3.01	9.01
19.	2022	Lal, M.K.* , Singh, B., Tiwari, R.K., Kumar, S., Gopalakrishnan, S., Gaikwad, K., Kumar, A., Paul, V. and Singh, M.P., 2022. Interactive Effect of Retrogradation and Addition of Pulses, Cooking Oil on Predicted Glycemic Index and Resistant Starch of Potato. <i>Starch □ Stärke</i> , p.2100221. (*Corresponding author) https://doi.org/10.1002/star.202100221	<i>Starch □ Stärke</i>	11	2.688	8.69
20.	2022	Lal, M.K. , Sharma, N., Adavi, S.B., Sharma, E., Altaf, M.A., Tiwari, R.K., Kumar, R., Kumar, A., Dey, A., Paul, V. and Singh, B., 2022. From source to sink: mechanistic insight of photoassimilates synthesis and partitioning under high temperature and elevated [CO ₂]. <i>Plant Molecular Biology</i> , pp.1-20. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11103-022-01274-9	<i>Plant Molecular Biology</i>	36	4.335	10.34