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Academic Qualifications

- Ph.D. (Biochemistry) in 2002 from North Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong, India.
- M.Sc. (Biochemistry) in 1994 from NEHU, Shillong, India.
- B.Sc. (Chemistry) in 1992 from NEHU, Shillong, India.

Professional Experience

- Associate Professor of Biochemistry (1998-present) in the Department of Biochemistry, St. Edmund's College, Shillong 793 003, India. http: www.sec.edu.in
- DBT-Overseas Visiting fellow for research on molecular endocrinology at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Bronx, New York, USA. March-July, 2016.
- Postdoctoral Research Fellow in molecular toxicology from North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, USA (Nov 2003- August 2004).
- NIH Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Gene Regulation from the NIEHS, NIH, Research Triangle Park, NC, USA (May 2002-Nov 2003).

Publications in the last 5 years (Peer-reviewed)

- Ranhotra HS. Discrete interplay of gut microbiota L-tryptophan metabolites in host biology and disease. Mol Cell Biochem. 2023. Published online 20 Oct, 2023 (Publisher: Springer Nature)
- Ranhotra H S. Estrogen-related receptor alpha in select host functions and cancer: new frontiers. Mol Cell Biochem. 2022, May; 477(5):1349-1359. (Publisher: Springer Nature)
- Hao Li, Harmit S Ranhotra, Sridhar Mani, Zdeněk Dvořák, Harry Sokol, Rolf Müller. Human microbial metabolite mimicry as a strategy to expand the chemical space of potential drugs. *Drug Discov Today*, 2020, Sep; 25(9):1575-1579.
- Dvořák Z, Kopp F, Costello CM, Kemp JS, Li H, Vrzalová A, Štěpánková M, Bartoňková I, Jiskrová E,
 Poulíková K, Vyhlídalová B, Nordstroem LU, Karunaratne CV, Ranhotra HS, et al. Targeting the Pregnane
 X Receptor using microbial metabolite mimicry. EMBO Molecular Medicine. 2020; Apr 7;12(4): e11621.
- Ranhotra H S. The estrogen-related receptors in metabolism and cancer: newer insights. *J Recept Signal Transduct Res.* 2018; 38(2):95-100.

Research grants awarded:

- Expressional studies on the orphan nuclear estrogen-related receptor alpha during type 1 diabetes in mice. Funding agency: UGC, India. 2012-13.
- Studies on the orphan estrogen-related receptor alpha expression during calorie restriction in mice. Time: 2 years (2007-09). Funding agency: DST, GoI, New Delhi, India. (Amount: Rs 811,000.00).
- Project title: Evaluation of clinically significant blood constituents amongst the aged Khasi population of Meghalaya. Time: 1year (2007). Funding agency: UGC, India. (Amount: Rs 50,000.00).