



CSIR-North East Institute of Science & Technology (CSIR-NEIST), Jorhat, Assam, INDIA

Activities: A Glimpse



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ASIA





INDIA

LEGEND

- Country Boundary
- Major Road
- Major River
- Major City
- Other City
- ⚓ Major Sea Port
- Country Capital
- ✈ Major Airport
- Major National Park
- Point of Interest
- Major Lake
- ▲ Major Mt. Peak

Map not to scale

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INDIA

NORTH-EAST ZONE MAP



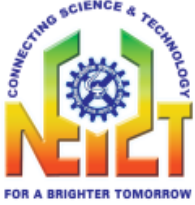
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 - **Few Technologies under development**

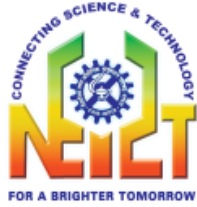
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ABOUT CSIR-NEIST

- Established in 1961 as Regional Research Laboratory ,
Jorhat
- Renamed as CSIR-NEIST, Jorhat in 2007
- **Branch Laboratories:**
 - 1) Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh
 - 2) Imphal, Manipur

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MANDATE : The development of indigenous technologies by utilizing the immense natural resources of north eastern India like petroleum, natural gas, minerals, tea, aromatic and medicinal plants.

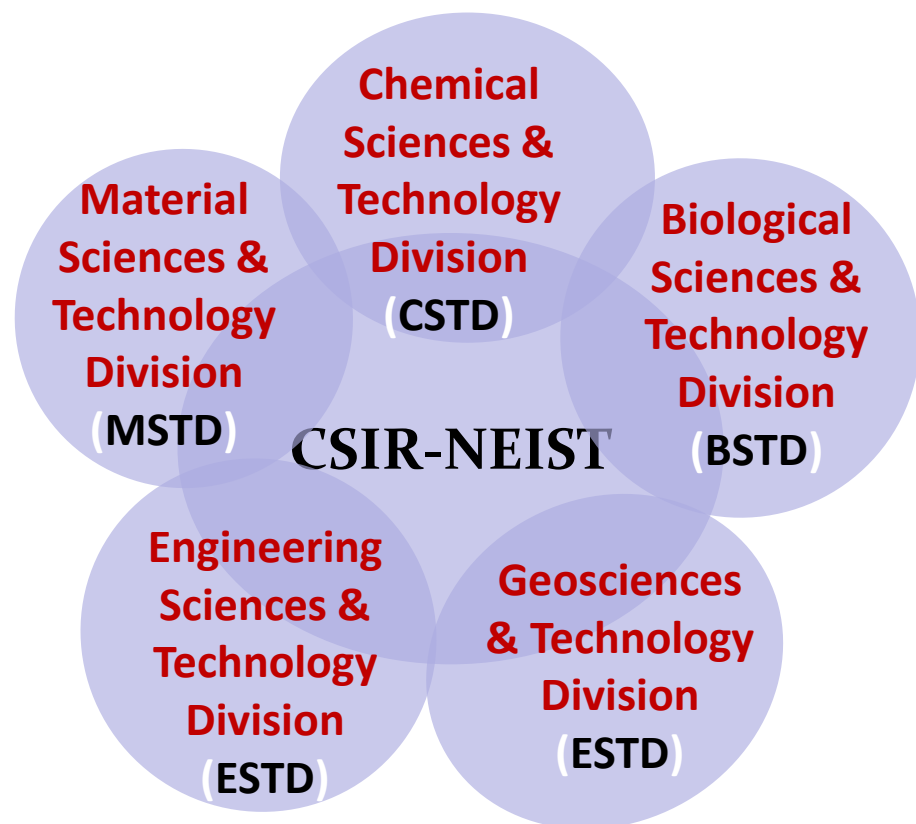
MISSION : To achieve excellence in R&D in frontier areas and to generate and develop Products, Processes and Technologies, which meet international standard in terms of quality, cost and efficiency.

MOTTO : “Connecting Science & Technology for a Brighter Tomorrow”

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R&D EXPERTISE

- Agro-technologies
- Medicinal & Aromatic Plants
- Natural Products Chemistry
- Synthetic Organic Chemistry
- Herbal Formulations & Natural Pesticides
- Bioremediation & Phytoremediation
- Inorganic Chemicals
- Catalysis and Nanomaterials
- Coal Chemistry
- Paper Products & Natural Fibers
- Soil and Building materials
- Membrane Technologies
- Earthquake Seismology
- Geotechnical investigations



➤ Branch Laboratories:

- 1) Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh
- 2) Imphal, Manipur

CSIR-NEIST HUMAN RESOURCES

(As on 30.09.2016)

Regular staff	
Scientists	69 (21*)
Technical Officers/ Assistants	62 (14*)
Administrative staff	85
Tech/Non-Tech	102
Total:	318
* Recruitment in Progress	

Others	
➤ JRF/SRF / PA/RA	: 144
➤ DST Inspire Faculty, WOS-A, Fast Track Young Scientists	: 5
➤ Ramanujan/ Ramalingaswamy Fellows	: 2
➤ CSIR TWAS Fellows	: 2
➤ DBT trainee/student	: 4
➤ Skilled/Unskilled	: 145
➤ Security	: 77
➤ House Keeping	: 64
Total	: 443

❑ **TOTAL: 318+443 = 761**

MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS OVER THE YEARS

TECHNOLOGIES/SERVICES

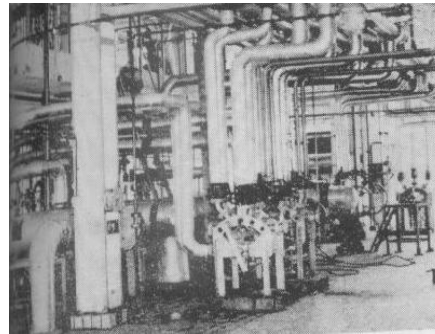
STAKEHOLDERS/ CLIENTS SERVED

➤ PUBLIC:

✓ ONGC, OIL, NRL, NECL, IOCL, MSME, BHEL, NEEPCO, CMPDIL, ICAR, Air Force- Jorhat, etc.

➤ PRIVATE:

✓ Tata Chemicals Ltd., Mumbai; Ashapura Group of Ind., Mumbai; Zydus Cadila Healthcare Ltd., Ahmedabad; Amrit Organic Fertilizer, Duliajan; NE Small Scale Industries Association; Mushroom Dev. Foundation, Guwahati; All Mizoram Farmers' Union, Aizawl; Ethereal Aromatics Pvt. Ltd, Guwahati, etc.



Phosphamidon pesticide plant

✓ Technologies available for transfer

✓ Types of Consultancy and Analytical services



Mini Cement Plants (> 30 Units)

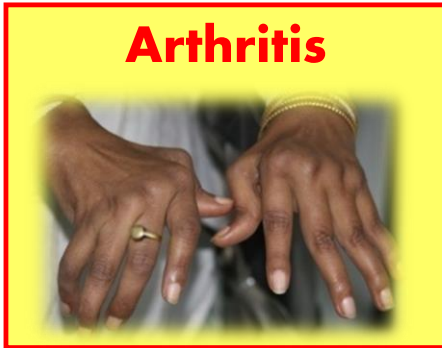
50 (Agro-practices, agro-technologies, bio-fertilizers, building materials, herbal formulations, in-organic chemicals and cottage level technologies)

: 220 (Feasibility reports, geo-technical investigations, coal gradation, water, soil, aromatic oil, minerals, coal, natural gas products)

ACTIVITIES MAKING IMPACT

- ✓ **Technologies for Healthcare, Agriculture and MSME Industries**
- ✓ **Seismicity Studies**

HERBAL ANTI-ARTHRITIS PRODUCT



- ✓ Affordable and herbal solution against Arthritis from rich biodiversity of NE India
- ✓ Effective in both Rheumatoid arthritis and other joint pains
- ✓ **Created Herbal Drugs Processing Unit**
- To maintain consistent quality and to keep the price of the product affordable

New products being developed

1. Spray
2. Cream



- **Technology transferred to:**
M/s Kudos Laboratories India,
New Delhi
- ✓ **Marketing Rights** transferred to 5 Parties from Kolkata, Ahmedabad, Jorhat and Jammu

❖ **More than 100000 tubes supplied so far!**

HERBAL FUNGI-DESTRUCT PRODUCT



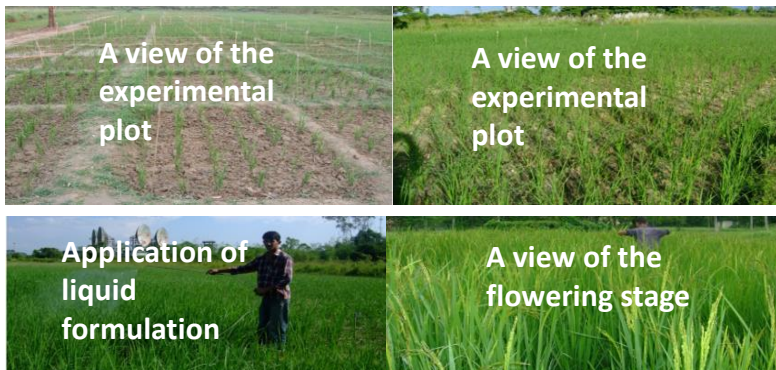
Starting Day to 23rd Day

- ✓ Target specific herbal formulation developed from plants available in NE India
- ✓ Potential for killing various fungi
- ✓ Antifungal potentiality of Fungi-Destruct was evaluated against the pure human pathogenic fungal strains
- ✓ **Marketing Rights transferred to 3 Parties from Kolkata, Gujarat and Assam**
- ✓ **More than 50,000 tubes supplied so far!**

- ✓ Topical application of the formulation to 1600 patients, cured them from pathogenic fungal infection of various types
- **Target Industries:**
Pharmaceutical Companies

TP-16 BIOFERTILIZER FOR SUSTAINABLE CROP YIELD

✓ Field experiments conducted on efficacy of TP-16 bio-fertilizer



✓ Technology transferred to one party in Assam: M/s Amrit Organic, Duliajan

✓ **Technology package:**

Technical knowhow and consultancy for installation and commissioning the plant

✓ **Target Industries:**
Biofertilizer industries

✓ Bioformulation for enhanced soil fertility and increased crop productivity



TP-16

TP-16 Biofertilizer

- Developed liquid and carrier based formulations from a plant growth promoting *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* TP16
- Reduces the use of synthetic Nitrogen urea without compromising the yield
- No toxic residual
- Strain also showed *in vitro* antifungal activity against different rice pathogens

BIOREMEDIATION TECHNOLOGY

(Reclamation of Crude Oil Contaminated Soil)

✓ The technology consists of two phases:

- Bioremediation with the formulation
- Phyto-remediation

✓ **Bioformulation**

- Mixed culture of certain bacteria isolated from soils of Assam
- Provides a Site-specific solution

✓ **New client for Technology Transfer:**

- M/s Better Tomorrow Technologies, Guwahati
(Technology Transferred on Dec 21, 2015)

✓ Reclaimed six contaminated sites of ONGC, Nazira (Assam)

ONGC, Geleky drill site



ONGC, Borholla drill site



✓ **Target Industries:**
Oil industries

BIOFORMULATION FOR BAMBOO AND WOOD CARE

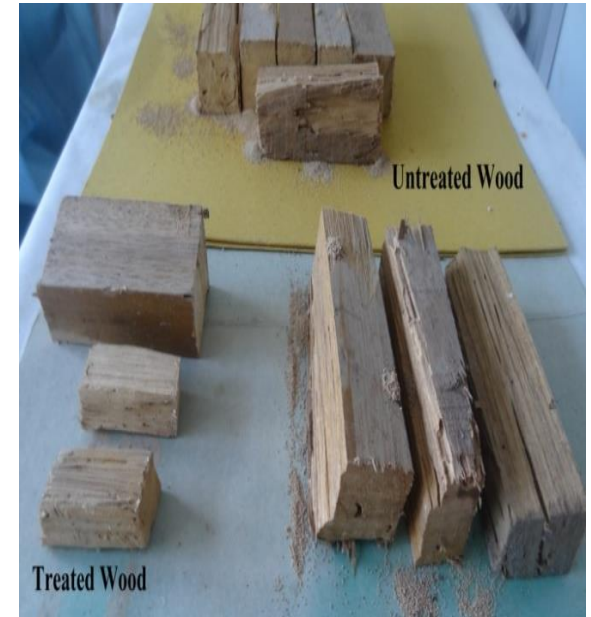
- ✓ Insect and fungal infections on wood and bamboo products have been a serious problem causing huge loss to its artisans and users
- ✓ Climatic conditions of the NE region also responsible for degradation of these products

CSIR-NEIST wood care formulation:

- Prevents damage of wood and bamboo from fungal and insect attack
- Enhances the durability and strength
- Eco-friendly product



Wood Care



Testing of the formulation

✓ **Target industries:** Wood /Plywood

✓ The technology is ready for transfer

✓ Scale of development: Cottage scale (100L / Day)

DISPERSIBLE SOLID DEODORANT

✓ **Solid Deodorant:**

- An eco-friendly solid deodorant & cleaner with mosquito repellent properties
 - Portable deodorant in the form of tablets
 - Easy to handle with longer durability
 - For surface cleaning of floor, tiles, glass & ceramic materials, etc
- ✓ The technology is available for transfer
- ✓ Scale of development: Cottage scale (1500 tablets/Day)

✓ **Target industries:**

Medium & Small scale industries



Dispersible Solid Deodorant



➤ **Technology transferred recently to: M/s DSP Agrofoods & Chemical Industries, Bhubaneswar**

LIQUID DEODORANT & CLEANER

✓ Liquid Deodorant:

- An eco-friendly Liquid deodorant & cleaner with mosquito repellent properties
- For cleaning of floor, tiles, glass & ceramic materials, etc
- No sophisticated machineries involved

✓ Applications/uses:

As deodorant & cleaner in households, hospitals, clinical center, hotels and restaurants etc

- ✓ The technology is available for transfer
- ✓ Successfully commercialized by parties from Assam, Odisha, Tripura and Gujarat
- ✓ Scale of development: Cottage scale (100 L/Day)



Liquid Deodorant & cleaner

✓ Target industries:

Medium & Small scale industries

➤ Technology transferred recently to: M/s DSP Agrofoods & Chemical Industries, Bhubaneswar

HERBAL MOSQUITO REPELLENT INCENSE STICKS

✓ Herbal incense sticks:

- Fragrant and mainly protects against mosquitoes
- Low cost technology for socio-economic development
- Prepared from indigenous plants of NE India
- No sophisticated machineries involved

✓ Applications/uses:

Household domestic use and in hotels /lounges and other rooms

- ✓ The technology is ready for transfer
- ✓ Technology transferred to 4 parties from Assam and Tripura
- ✓ Scale of development: Cottage scale (5000 sticks/day)



Herbal Incense Sticks with Mosquito repellent properties

- ✓ Two Patents filed in India

✓ Target industries:

Medium & Small scale industries

HIGH YIELDING VARIETY OF CITRONELLA

- ✓ Improved variety of Java Citronella with high oil yield content

CSIR-NEIST Jor-Lab C-5 variety

- Superior clone developed through EMS mutant progeny
- Oil yield up to 1.2% essential oil (4 seasons/environment). Available varieties have 0.8-0.9% essential oil
- Obtained 35% Citronellal content, which is better than the known varieties (30%)
- Variety registered at ICAR

Potential users/target industries:

- Cultivators/agencies engaged in commercial cultivation of this valuable aromatic plant
- Perfumery industries



Improved variety of Citronella
(Jor Lab C-5)

Variety released to the farmers by Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India & President, CSIR on the occasion of CSIR Platinum Jubilee Foundation Day Celebration on 26 Sept., 2016

HIGH YIELDING VARIETY OF LEMON GRASS

- ✓ Improved variety of Lemon grass with high oil yield content

CSIR-NEIST Jor-Lab L-8

- Oil yield up to 1% essential oil and herbage yield 260q/ha (4 seasons/ environment). Available varieties have 0.4-0.8% essential oil
- Obtained 78% citral content, which is superior by 22% when compared with the existing varieties
- Variety registered at ICAR

Potential users/target industries:

- Cultivators/agencies engaged in commercial cultivation of this valuable aromatic plant
- Perfumery industries



Improved variety of Lemon grass (Jor Lab L-8)

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MUSHROOM CULTIVATION

Beneficiary: Mr Sapan Sarkar, Laluk, Assam-Arunachal Pradesh border



Before

Marginal farmer

✓ **Income not sufficient to support the family**



Production Unit of Mr S Sarkar



After

- ✓ **Association with CSIR-NEIST since 2013**
- ✓ **Production during September to March: 50 kg/day (average)**
- ✓ **Total income (during production period): Rs 150,000/- per month (Rs.5000/- per day) with sale price of Rs.100 /kg fresh Mushroom**
- ✓ **Supporting family from earnings entirely through Mushroom cultivation**

VSK MINI CEMENT PLANT TECHNOLOGY

- Vertical Shaft Kiln for Portland cement production
25 to 100 TPD capacity
- Advantage of utilizing smaller deposits of limestone
- Stringent measures incorporated in the system design to tackle the pollutants

✓ Technology transferred to 39 parties across India

✓ **Confidentiality Agreement signed with**

- M/s Bhairabi Infrastructures Pvt. Ltd.,
Guwahati for preparing DPR for setting up of
200 TPD plant

✓ **Target Industries:**

✓ Cement manufacturing industries

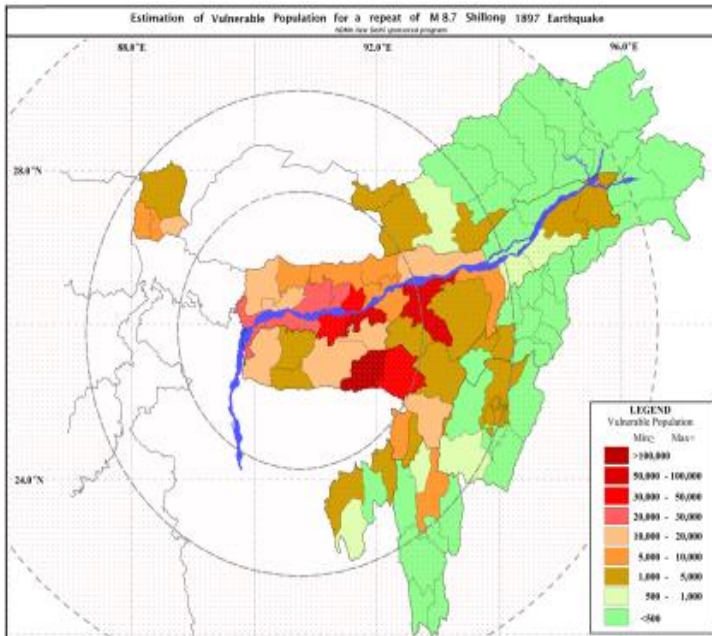


✓ VSK cement plant

SEISMICITY STUDIES

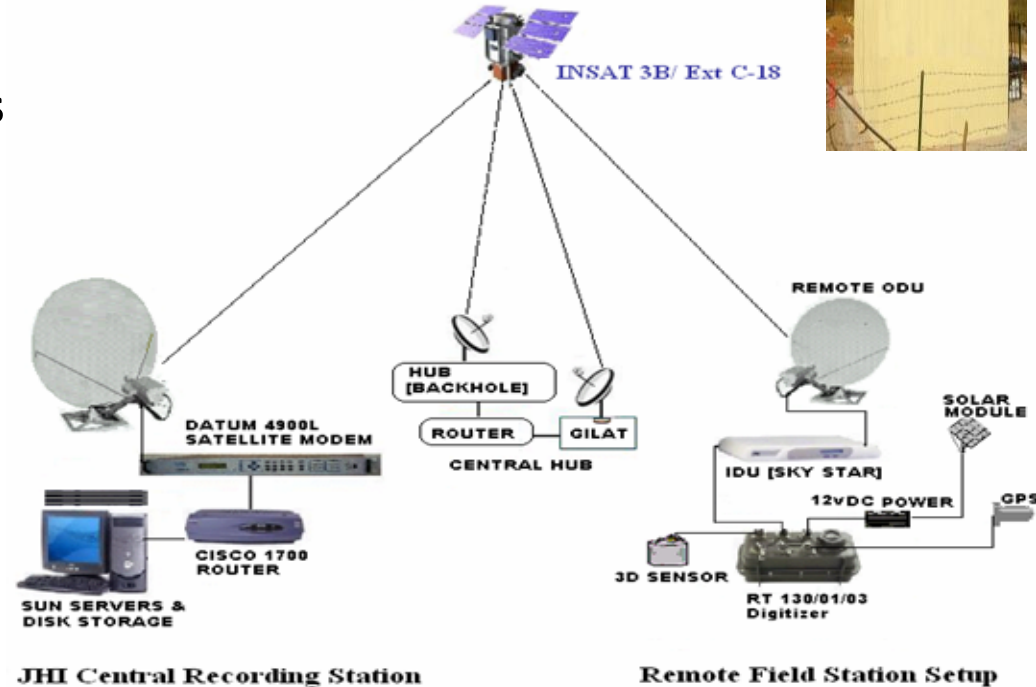
Expertise developed in the areas like-

- ✓ Real-time Seismic Detection & Location
- ✓ Hazard-Risk-Vulnerability Assessment
- ✓ Earthquake Scenario Building
- ✓ Seismic precursor related studies



Earthquake scenarios to simulate ground acceleration for different intensity zones under GIS platform

TOPOLOGY: JHI WIDE AREA NETWORK
On-line/Real-time Seismic Monitoring



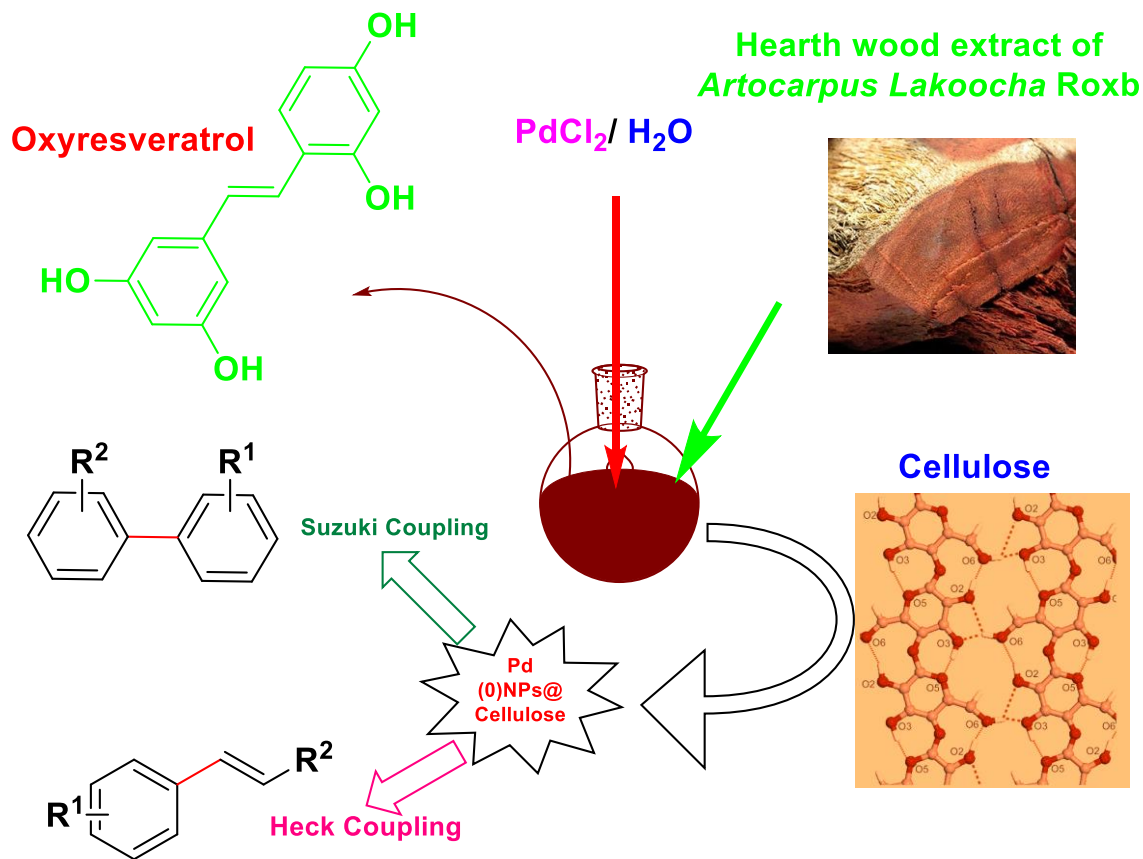
Wide-area seismic net-work of 27 high resolution observatories

Some of the **CURRENT R&D PROGRAMS**

- Few Technologies under development

Synthesis and reactivity of cellulose supported Pd-nano particles

Efficient catalyst for Suzuki and Heck coupling reactions in water under microwave irradiation. The catalyst can be recycled up-to ten times without losing its activity significantly.

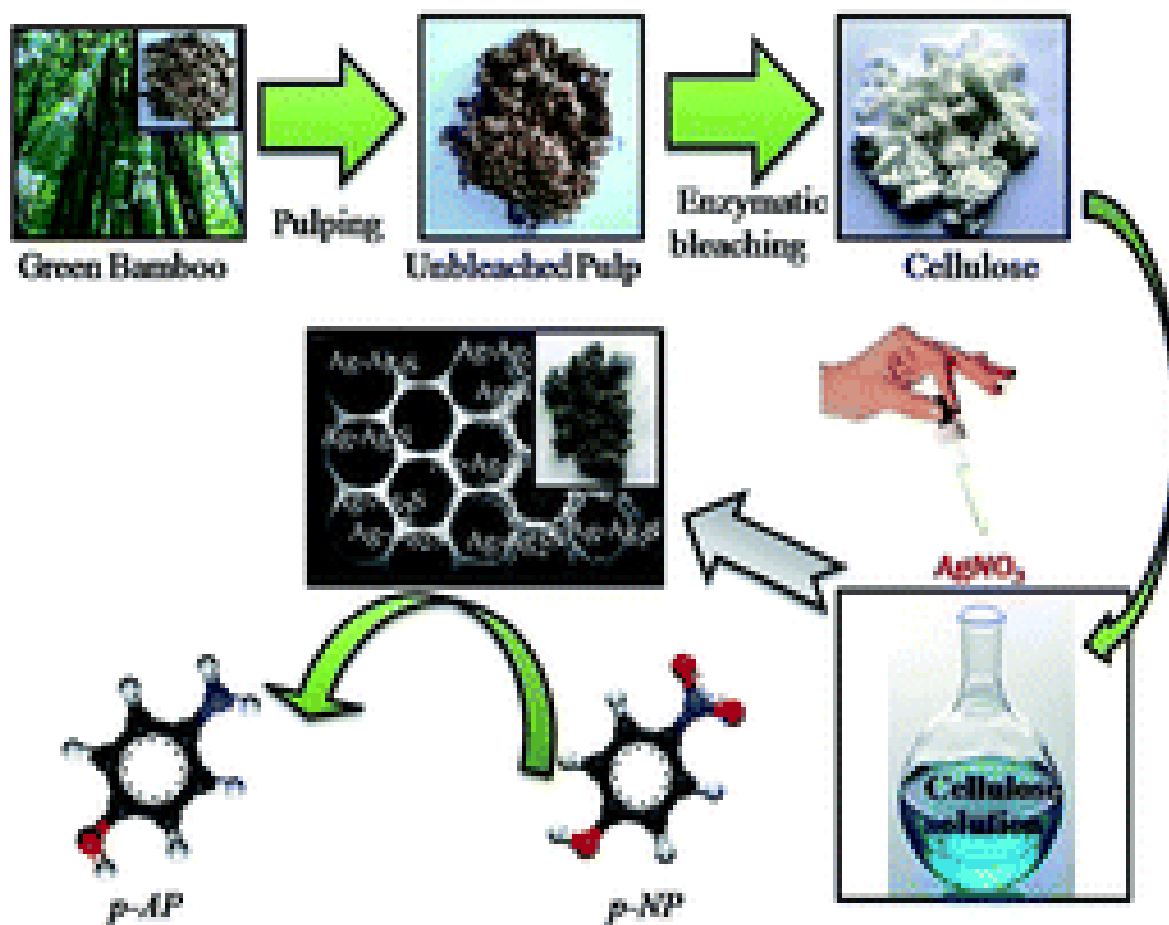


Synthesis of Ag–Ag₂S Janus nanoparticles supported on an environmentally benign cellulose template and their catalytic applications

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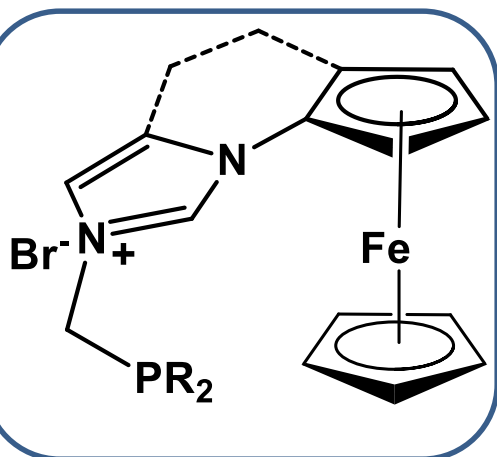
Non-Innocent Ligands in Homogeneous Catalysis

Choice of Ligands

- NHC
- Phosphine
- Ferrocene functionalized

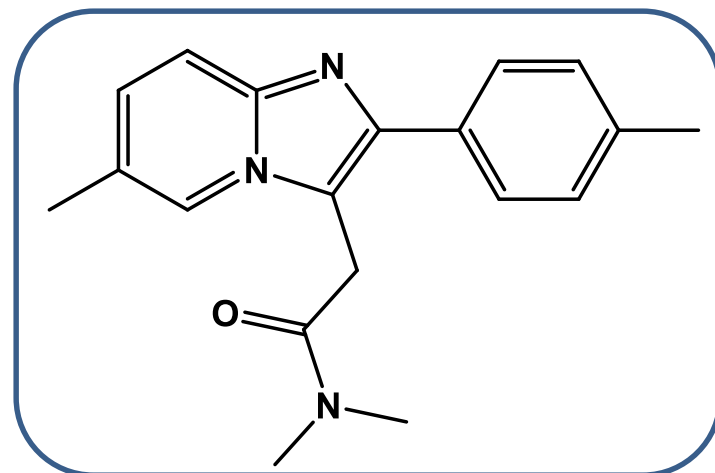
Choice of Metals

- First-row transition metals
- Ru, Rh, Ir, Pd, Mo



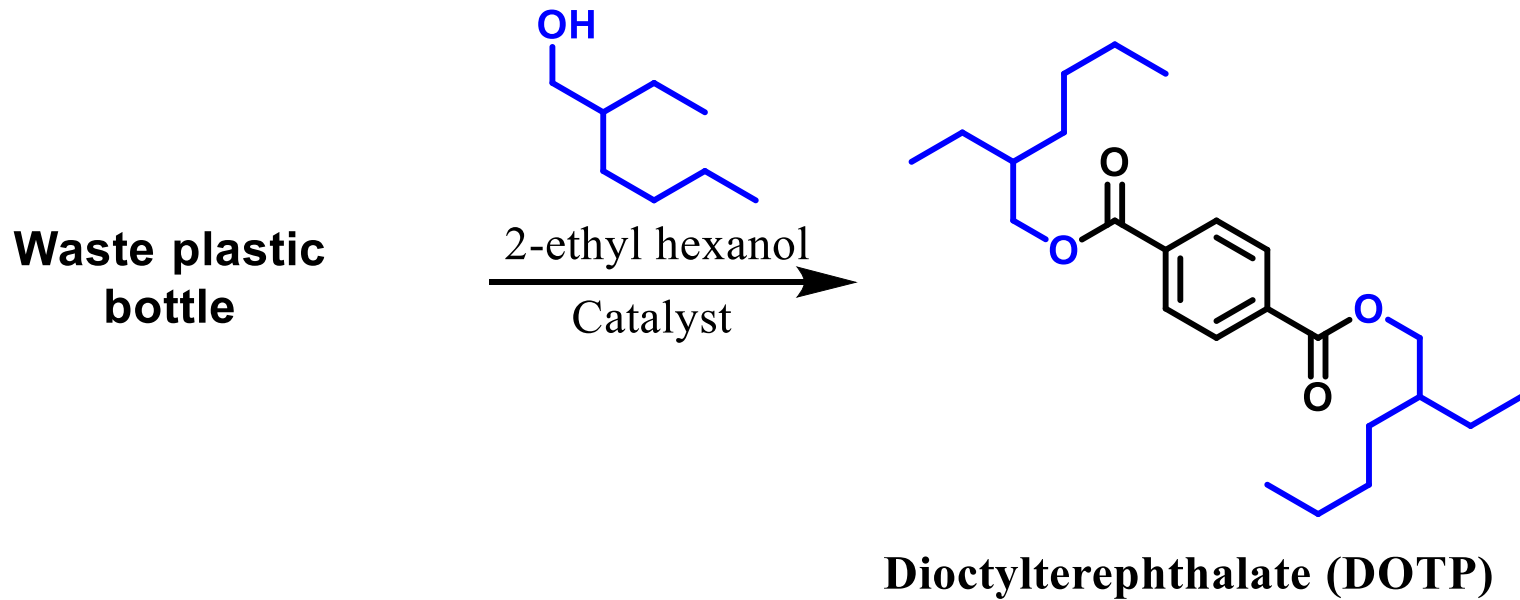
Catalysis Reactions

- Hydroamination
- C-C bond formation
- Water splitting
- Nitrogen fixation
- Hydrogen production
- Drug molecules synthesis



Process for the preparation of dioctyl terephthalate (DOTP) from waste PET bottle

DOTP is a non-toxic plasticizer used in polymer industries.

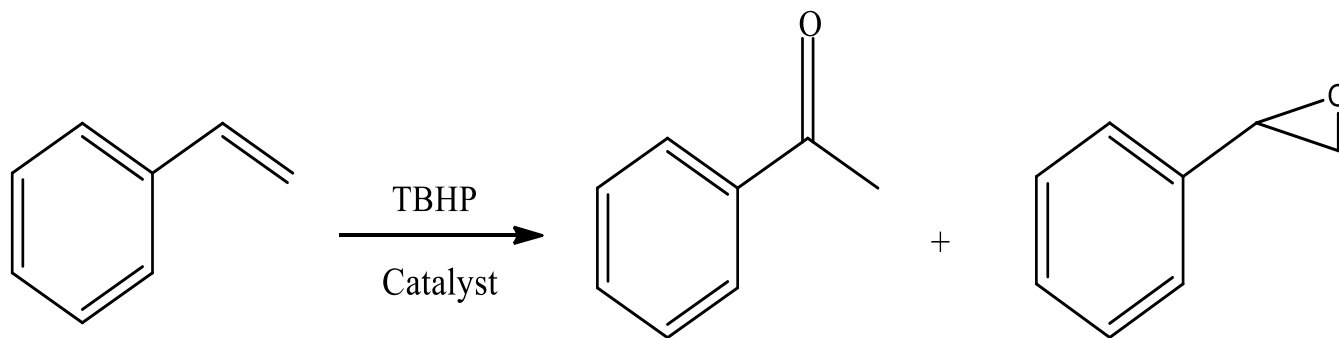


Synthesis and Reactivity of Nanoporous Metal–Silica Composites – Novel Heterogeneous Catalysts for Selective Oxidation Reactions.

DST, New Delhi, India and Russian Foundation for Basic Research (RFBR)
Dr Lakshi Saikia (Indian-PI), Dr Oxana A Kholdeeva (Russian-PI): Boreskov
Institute of Catalysis, Novosibirsk; Russia

Au-Ag bimetallic nanoparticles on SBA-15 in a core shell type arrangement

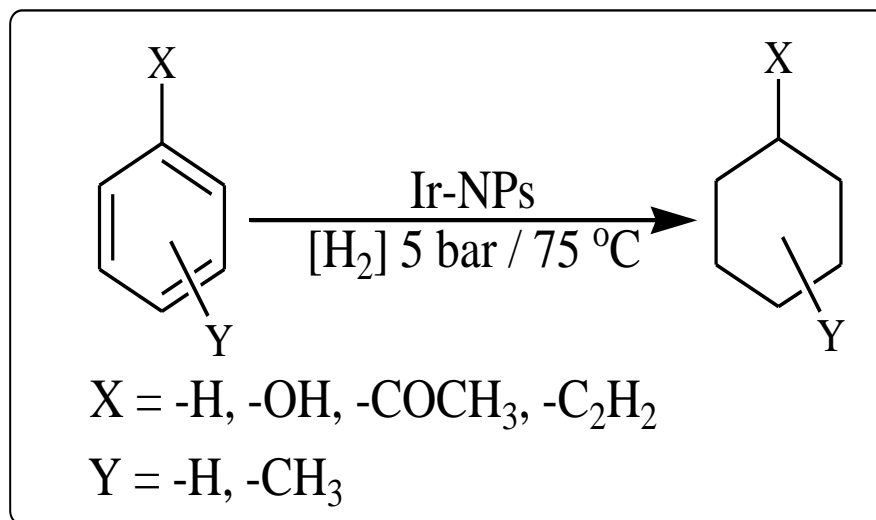
The catalytic oxidation of styrene showed conversion up to 65 %
with both aldehyde and epoxide as product.



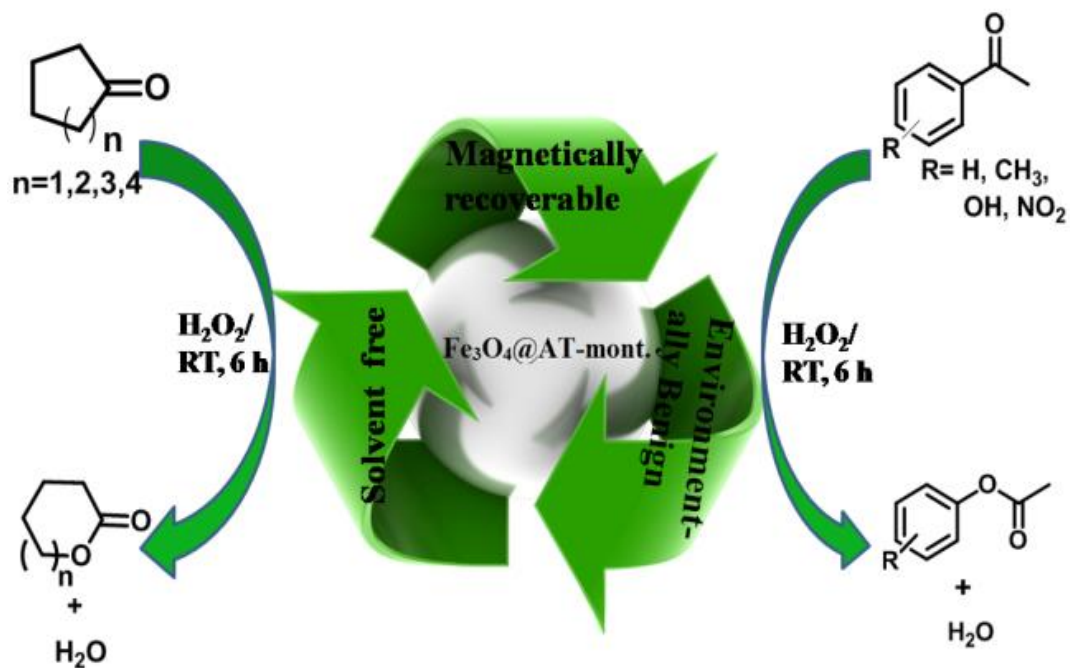
Catalyst-Ag@Au-Ag-ap/SBA 15

Scheme - Schematic representation of oxidation of styrene with TBHP

Aromatic ring hydrogenation catalysed by efficient Ir(0)-nanoparticles supported nanoporous montmorillonite composite under solvent free condition



Stabilized Fe_3O_4 magnetic nanoparticles into nanopores of modified montmorillonite clay: A highly efficient catalyst for Baeyer-Villiger oxidation under solvent free condition



Nano oxidic Membrane by Green Chemical Approach

Silica-Layered Double Hydroxide (LDH) core shells of different binary and ternary LDHs in non-aqueous solvent at various SiO_2 : LDH and fabricated core-shell coated monolithic nano catalytic reactor for decomposition of toxic gases like N_2O .

BIOCONTROL OF RED SPIDER MITE IN TEA CROP

- Development of a herbal pesticide from a locally available plant
- Effective against a major tea pest, Red Spider Mite (RSM), which largely affects production and quality of tea produced

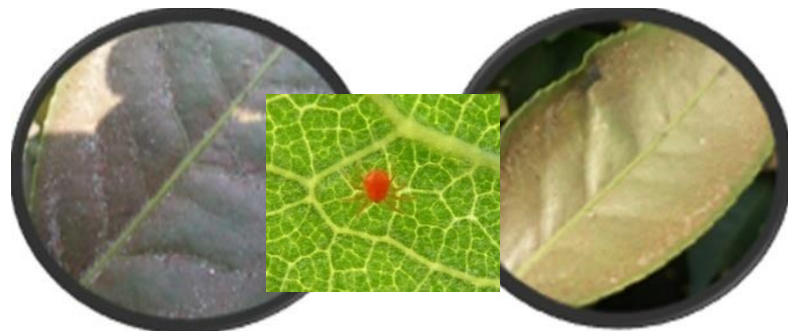
✓ One patent filed in India

Target Industries:

- ✓ Tea producing companies
- ✓ Biofertilizer companies

✓ **Collaboration with Tata Chemicals Ltd., Mumbai for further research & field trials**

Infected tea leaves by RSM



✓ **Anti-RSM extract**

NOVEL HERBAL EXTRACT AGAINST LUNG CANCER

Development of novel anti-lung cancer product from natural sources of NE India through vapor inhalation

Major Findings

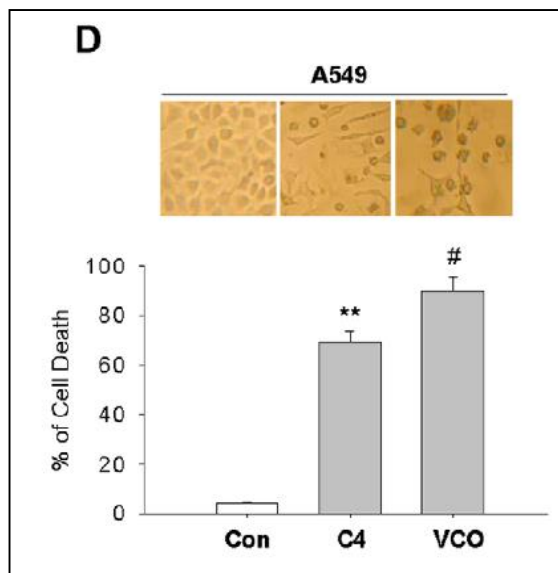
- Effective herbal oil found against lung cancer cell line
- Observed significant pain killing property too

✓ One Patent filed in India and abroad

Target industries:

✓ Pharmaceutical industries

✓ **Collaboration with M/s Zydus Cadila, Ahmedabad for various animal and clinical studies**

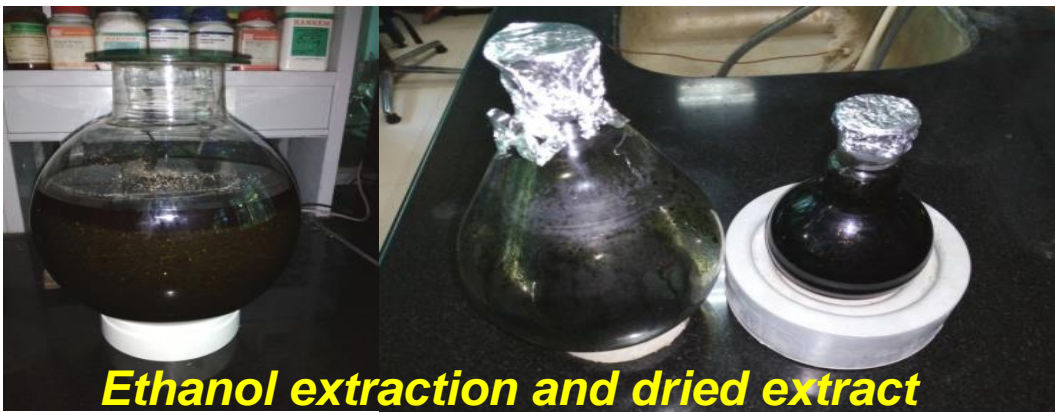


(D) Effect of VCO (C2:C3:C4 as 1:1:1) and C4 on cell death at 72 h was observed by MTT assay, which was visualized by microscopic images

- Proposal submitted for grant under CSIR-NMITLI for further research
- Collaborative efforts with Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan under NEEP project

HERBAL ANTI-HYPERTENSIVE DRUG

- Scientifically validate the blood pressure lowering properties of *Clerodendrum colebrookianum* (Local name: Nephapu)
- Development of a herbal drug for treatment of high blood pressure



Target industries:
✓ Pharmaceutical industries

Activities so far:

- Extraction of the plant material with ethyl alcohol completed
- Bioassay of dried plant extract is in progress in collaboration with **CSIR-CDRI and CSIR-CCMB**

HERBAL ANTI-ACNE FACE CREAM

✓ Cost-effective and herbal face cream against acne



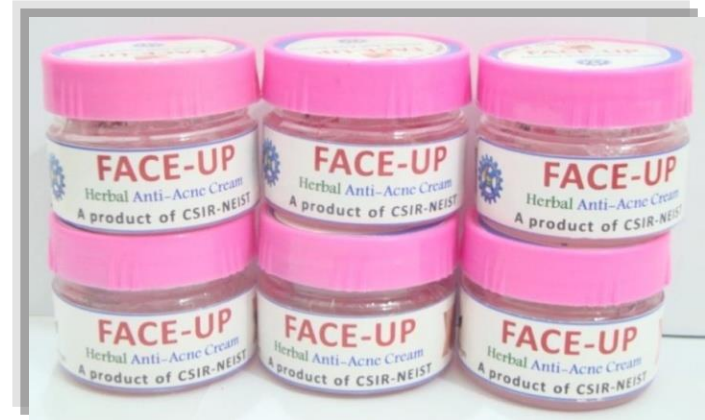
Pre-application.



After 1 month of application.



→ After 2 months of application



✓ Herbal cream for protecting face skin from humidity, dust and other environmental factors causing acne and burning problem

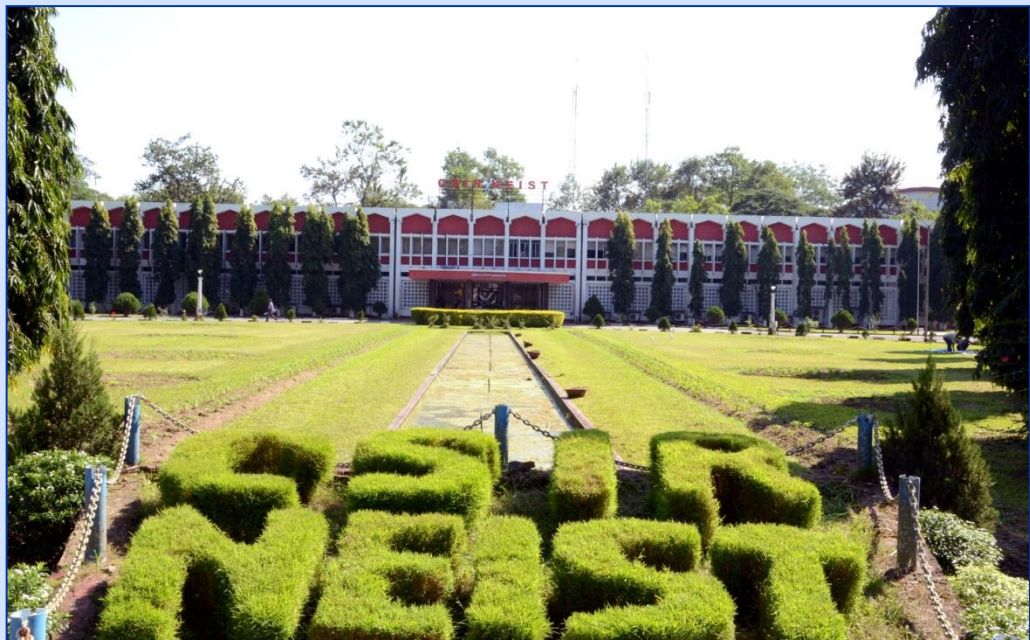
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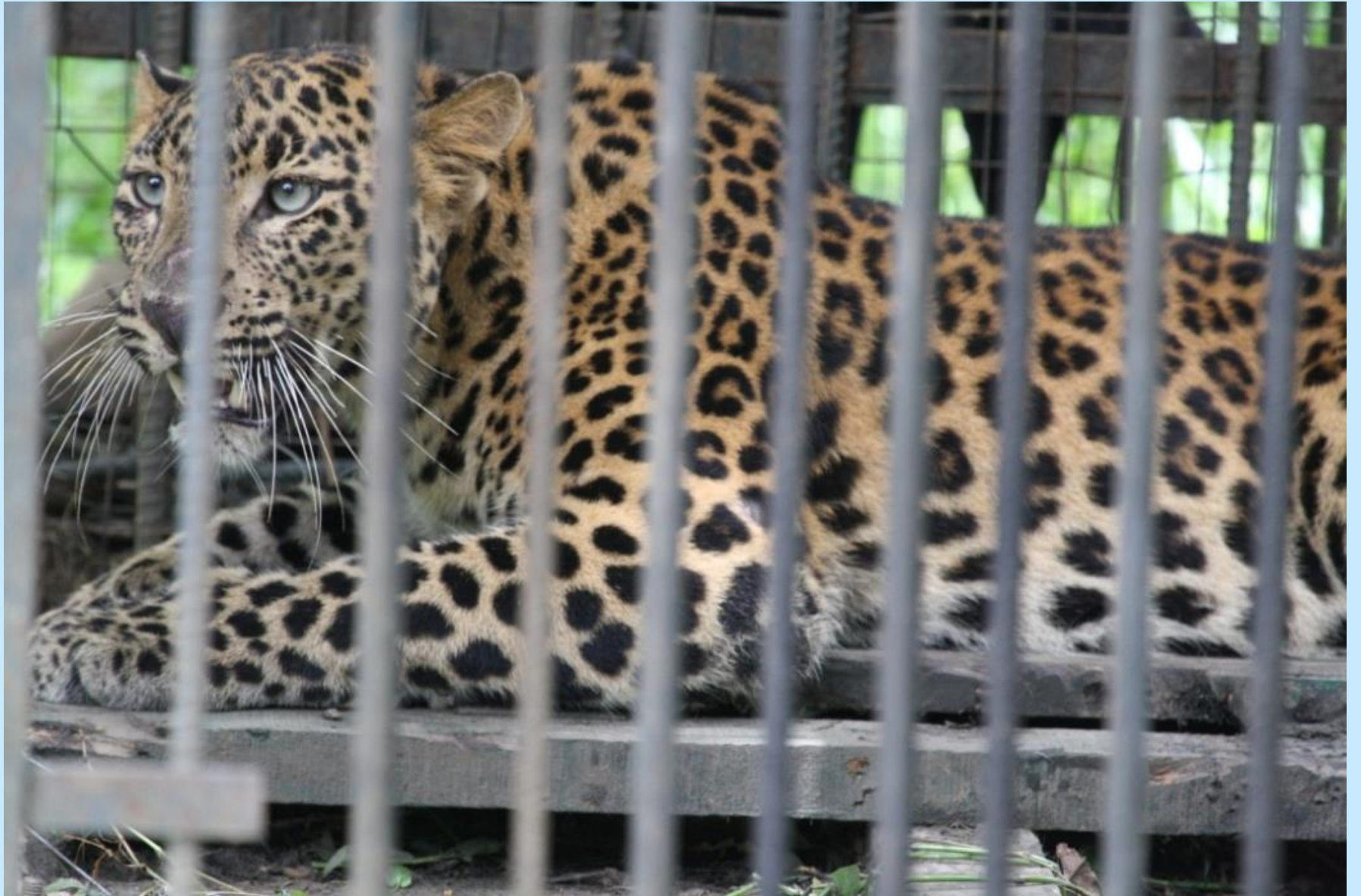
- Found better result and effect in reducing black spot or scars and acne.
- Cream tested on some volunteers.

HERBAL ANTI-FUNGAL FORMULATION FOR DOMESTIC ANIMAL



- **Effective against dermal infection of animals**
- **Protect infected wounds from housefly**
- **Herbal formulation**







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