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About

Dr. Saadia Zahid is working as Professor in the Atta-Ur-Rahman School of Applied Biosciences. Dr. Saadia Zahid has a PhD in Neuroscience. Dr. Saadia Zahid has published 42 research articles & conference papers having a citation count of 878, carried out 10 projects and filed 0 intellectual property.

Qualifications

PhD in Neuroscience University of Karachi , Pakistan	2005 - 2012
MSc in Biochemistry University of Karachi , Pakistan	2001 - 2003
BSc in Biochemistry University of Karachi , Pakistan	1998 - 2000

Experience

Professor Atta-Ur-Rahman School of Applied Biosciences	2024- Present
Professor Atta-Ur-Rahman School of Applied Biosciences	2024 - 2024
Professor Atta-Ur-Rahman School of Applied Biosciences	2022 - 2024
Associate Professor Atta-Ur-Rahman School of Applied Biosciences	2018 - 2022
Assistant Professor Atta-Ur-Rahman School of Applied Biosciences	2013 - 2018
Assistant Professor Atta-Ur-Rahman School of Applied Biosciences	2012 - 2013
Visiting Professor Georg August University, Göttingen , Georg August University , Germany	2024 - 2024
Visiting Scientist The Salk Institute for Biological Studies , CA, USA	2018 - 2019
Visiting Scholar Georg-August-University, Göttingen , Department of Clinical Chemistry, University Medicine Göttingen, Georg-August-University, Göttingen	2009 - 2010

Awards

Best Researcher	2019
Awarded Best Researcher Award by ASAB for the year 2017-18.	
Fulbright Fellowship	2018
J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR AWARD to conduct Postdoctoral Research at The Salk Institute of Biological Sciences, San Diego, California, United States of America, during 2018-2019 academic year.	
AOHUPO YOUNG SCIENTIST	2012
AOHUPO YOUNG SCIENTIST TRAVEL AWARD from AOHUPO World Congress, May 5-7, 2012, Beijing, China.	
HUPO YOUNG SCIENTIST	2009
HUPO YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD from HUPO 8th Annual World Congress, September, 25-30, 2009, Toronto, Canada.	
AOHUPO/KSMS YOUNG SCIENTI	2007
AOHUPO/KSMS YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD presented at HUPO 6th Annual World Congress, October 6-10, 2007, Seoul, Korea	

Research Projects

National Projects

Brain Awareness Week - Bridging the Gap Between Brain And Community

Funding Agency: IBRO

Amount: PKR 347,787.00

Status: Approved_inprocess

Diversity promotion in neurosciences in Pakistan and South Asian Countries: Moving a step forward

2023

Funding Agency: International Brain Research Organization (IBRO)

Amount: PKR 1,078,928.00

Status: Approved_inprocess

Elucidation Full File of potential effects of anti-diabetics and acetylcholine esterase inhibitors: a comparative analysis for combined therapeutic strategies for type 2 diabetes and Alzheimer's disease.

2017

Funding Agency: HEC

Amount: PKR 2,552,800.00

Status: Completed

Elucidation of the Effects of Amphetamine and Natural Psychostimulant Compounds in Alzheimer's Disease

2015

Funding Agency: HEC

Amount: PKR 5,629,600.00

Status: Completed

Proteomic Identification of Post-translationally Modified and Differentially Expressed Proteins in Aluminum Induced Oxidative Stress Animal Model for Alzheimer's Disease

2013

Funding Agency: HEC

Amount: PKR 500,000.00

Status: Completed

Identification and evaluation of comparative characteristic effects and potential drug targets of Methylphenidate and Rosmarinic acid: A therapeutic approach for Alzheimer's disease

2022

Funding Agency: HEC

Amount: PKR 6,767,000.00

Status: Completed

Analysing the natural anti-HIV mechanisms for their therapeutic implications in vaccine development.

2016

Funding Agency: HEC

Amount: PKR 5,707,000.00

Status: Completed

Elucidation of potential effects of anti-diabetics and acetylcholine esterase inhibitors: a comparative analysis for combined therapeutic strategies for type 2 diabetes and Alzheimer's disease.

2017

Funding Agency: HEC

Amount: PKR 2,418,257.00

Status: Completed

Evaluation of Therapeutic Potential of Resveratrol in Metals-Induced Neurotoxicity.

2019

Funding Agency: HEC

Amount: PKR 4,440,000.00

Status: Completed

Strengthening of Proteomics Facility at Neurobiology Laboratory for Elucidation of Proteomic Biomarkers for Alzheimer's disease and other neurodegenerative disorders

2018

Funding Agency: HEC

Amount: PKR 2,990,000.00

Status: Completed

International Projects

Research Articles

A critical address to advancements and challenges in computational strategies for structural prediction of protein in recent past

2025

Shumaila Khan Saadia Zahid Nida Fatima Ali

Computational Biology and Chemistry, Volume:117, Article Number 108430

Impact Factor: 2.600 Quartile: 2 DOI: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compbiolchem.2025.108430	
Combined pharmacological and computational approaches unraveling the protective effects of <i>Cassia angustifolia</i> extract against NANO2 - induced neurodegeneration and hepatotoxicity <i>Muhammad Yaseen Aisha Naveed Muhammad Qasim Hayat Saadia Zahid Junaid Arshad Mubarra Tahir Mashooq Ahmad Bhat Shabina Ishtiaq Ahmed Humaira Ismatullah Qaisar Mansoor</i> <i>Food Bioscience</i> , Volume 63, Article Number 105645 Impact Factor: 4.800 Quartile: 1 DOI: 10.1016/j.fbio.2024.105645	2025
Rosmarinus officinalis extract ameliorates cognitive deficits and hippocampal neurogenesis in mice model of diabetes mellitus <i>Tahzeen Fatima Zujaja tul Misbah Sanila Amber Saadia Zahid</i> <i>Gene Reports</i> , Volume 35, Article Number 101917 Impact Factor: 1.000 Quartile: 4 DOI: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.genrep.2024.101917	2024
CMS121: a novel approach to mitigate aging-related obesity and metabolic dysfunction <i>Saadia Zahid Alcir L Dafre Jessica Jorge Probst Antonio Currais Jingting Yu David Schubert Pamela Maher</i> <i>Aging</i> , Volume 16, Issue 6, Pages 4980-4999 Impact Factor: 3.9 Quartile: 2 DOI: 10.18632/aging.205673	2024
An in silico approach to identify potential downstream targets of miR-153 involved in Alzheimer's disease <i>Sanila Amber Prof. Dr. Saadia Zahid</i> <i>Frontiers In Genetics</i> , Vol: 15 Impact Factor: 3.7 Quartile: 2 Citations: 2 DOI: 10.3389/fgene.2024.1271404	2024
Sex-specific effects of neuromodulatory drugs on normal and stress-induced social dominance and aggression in rats <i>Sara Ishaq Saadia Zahid Touqeer Ahmed</i> <i>Psychopharmacology</i> , Pages 1-14 Impact Factor: 3.4 Quartile: 2 Citations: 4 DOI: 10.1007/s00213-023-06503-7	2023
Ameliorative effects of probiotics in AICβ-induced mouse model of Alzheimer's disease <i>Maryam Hamid Saadia Zahid</i> <i>Applied Microbiology and Biotechnology</i> , Vol:107, Pages:5803-5812 Impact Factor: 5.0 Quartile: 1 Citations: 12 DOI: https://doi.org/10.1007/s00253-023-12686-y	2023
Mass Spectrometry based identification of site-specific proteomic alterations and potential pathways underlying the pathophysiology of schizophrenia <i>Ayesha Khan Saadia Zahid Beena Hasan Abdul R Asif Nikhat Ahmed</i> <i>Molecular Biology Reports</i> , Pages 1-13 Impact Factor: 2.742 Quartile: 4 DOI: https://doi.org/10.1007/s11033-023-08431-3	2023
The Geroprotective Drug Candidate CMS121 Alleviates Diabetes, Liver Inflammation, and Renal Damage in db/db Leptin Receptor Deficient Mice <i>Saadia Zahid Alcir L. Dafre Antonio Currais Jingting Yu David Schubert Pamela Maher</i> <i>International Journal of Molecular Sciences</i> , Volume 24(7), Article Number 6828 Impact Factor: 6.208 Quartile: 1 Citations: 8 DOI: 10.3390/ijms24076828	2023
Ursolic acid and rosmarinic acid ameliorate alterations in hippocampal neurogenesis and social memory induced by amyloid beta in mouse model of Alzheimer's disease <i>Fatima Javed Mirza Saadia Zahid</i> <i>Frontiers in Pharmacology</i> , Volume 13, Article Number 1058358 Impact Factor: 5.988 Quartile: 1 Citations: 12 DOI: 10.3389/fphar.2022.1058358	2022

Multitargeted Molecular Docking and Dynamic Simulation Studies of Bioactive Compounds from Rosmarinus officinalis against Alzheimer's Disease <i>Fatima Javed Mirza Saadia Zahid Sanila Amber Sumera Hira Jabeen Noreen Asim Syed Adnan Ali Shah</i> <i>Molecules</i> , Volume 27, Issue 21, Article Number 7241 Impact Factor: 4.6 Quartile: 2 Citations: 26 DOI: https://doi.org/10.3390/molecules27217241	2022
Molecular Docking and Molecular Dynamics Studies Reveal Secretory Proteins as Novel Targets of Temozolomide in Glioblastoma Multiforme <i>Sumera Farha Anwer Maaz Waseem Areeba Fatima Nishat Malik Amjad Ali Saadia Zahid</i> <i>Molecules</i> , Volume 27, Issue 21, Article Number 7198 Impact Factor: 4.6 Quartile: 2 Citations: 40 DOI: https://doi.org/10.3390/molecules27217198	2022
Rosmarinus officinalis and Methylphenidate Exposure Improves Cognition and Depression and Regulates Anxiety-Like Behavior in Aβ1-42-Induced Mouse Model of Alzheimer's Disease <i>Nishat Malik Sanila Amber Saadia Zahid</i> <i>Frontiers in Pharmacology</i> , Volume 13, Article Number 943163 Impact Factor: 5.988 Quartile: 1 Citations: 8 DOI: https://doi.org/10.3389/fphar.2022.943163	2022
Rosmarinic acid and ursolic acid alleviate deficits in cognition, synaptic regulation and adult hippocampal neurogenesis in an Aβ1-42-induced mouse model of Alzheimer's disease <i>Fatima Javed Mirza Sanila Amber Sumera Deebea Hassan Saadia Zahid Touqeer Ahmed</i> <i>Phytomedicine</i> , Volume 83, Article Number 153490 Impact Factor: 6.656 Quartile: 1 Citations: 78 DOI: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.phymed.2021.153490	2021
Effect of oxidative stress and calcium deregulation on FAM26F (CALHM6) expression during hepatitis B virus infection <i>Kehkshan Jabeen Uzma Malik Sajid Mansoor Shaheen Shahzad Saadia Zahid Aneela Javed</i> <i>BMC Infectious Diseases</i> , Volume 21, Article Number 228 Impact Factor: 3.669 Quartile: 3 Citations: 10 DOI: https://doi.org/10.1186/s12879-021-05888-0	2021
Amyloid beta induced Neurotoxicity Impairs Cognition and Adult hippocampal Neurogenesis in a Mouse Model for Alzheimer's disease <i>Touqeer Ahmed Sanila Amber Sumera Fatima Javed Mirza Muhammad Asif Deebea Hassan Saadia Zahid</i> <i>Current Alzheimer Research</i> , Volume 17 (11), Pages 1033-1042 Impact Factor: 3.047 Quartile: 2 Citations: 10 DOI: 10.2174/1567205017666201224162730	2020
Methylphenidate and Rosmarinus officinalis improves cognition and regulates inflammation and synaptic gene expression in Aβ1-42-induced neurotoxicity mouse model <i>Saadia Zahid Anibah Khalid Umme Aimen Abbasi Sanila Amber Sumera Fatima Javed Mirza Muhammad Asif Aneela Javed</i> <i>Molecular Biology Reports</i> , Volume 47, Pages 7861–7870 Impact Factor: 2.316 Quartile: 4 Citations: 13 DOI: https://doi.org/10.1007/s11033-020-05864-y	2020
The neurogenic effects of rosmarinic acid in a mouse model of type 2 diabetes mellitus <i>Mahnoor Ali Saadia Zahid</i> <i>Brazilian Journal of Pharmaceutical Sciences</i> , Volume 56, Article Number e18772, Pages 1-8 Impact Factor: 1.321 Quartile: 4 Citations: 1 DOI: https://doi.org/10.1590/s2175-979020200003180772	2020
Potential Effects of Glibenclamide on Protein Expression in Aβ1-42-Induced Neurotoxicity: Implications in Neurodegenerative Disorder <i>Maria Majeed Saadia Zahid</i> <i>NUST Journal of Natural Sciences</i> , Volume 4, No. 2, Pages 51-63 Impact Factor: 0 DOI: N/A	2018
Data integration for functional annotation of regulatory single nucleotide polymorphisms associated with Alzheimer's disease susceptibility. <i>Sanila Amber Saadia Zahid</i>	2018

<p><i>Gene</i> , Volume 672, Pages 115-125</p> <p>Impact Factor: 2.638 Quartile: 2 Citations: 7</p> <p>DOI: 10.1016/j.gene.2018.06.011</p>	
<p>Neuroprotective effects of Foeniculum vulgare seeds extract on lead-induced neurotoxicity in mice brain.</p> <p><i>Syed Adnan Ali Shah Touqeer Ahmed Saadia Zahid Sheharbano Bhatti</i></p> <p><i>Drug and Chemical Toxicology</i> , Volume 41(4), Pages 399-407</p> <p>Impact Factor: 1.946 Quartile: 3 Citations: 27</p> <p>DOI: 10.1080/01480545.2018.1459669</p>	2018
<p>Syzygium aromaticum ethanol extract reduces AIC13-induced neurotoxicity in mice brain through regulation of amyloid precursor protein and oxidative stress gene expression</p> <p><i>Sanila Amber Syed Adnan Ali Shah Touqeer Ahmed Saadia Zahid</i></p> <p><i>Asian Pacific Journal of Tropical Medicine</i> , Volume:11, Issue:2, Page 123-130</p> <p>Impact Factor: 1.772 Quartile: 3 Citations: 6</p> <p>DOI: 10.4103/1995-7645.225019</p>	2018
<p>Protective effects of Nigella sativa L. seed extract on lead induced neurotoxicity during development and early life in mouse models</p> <p><i>Syed Adnan Ali Shah Syed Adnan Ali Shah Touqeer Ahmed Saadia Zahid Umer Javed Butt</i></p> <p><i>Toxicology Research</i> , Volume: 7 Issue: 1 Pages: 32-40</p> <p>Impact Factor: 1.593 Quartile: 4 Citations: 20</p> <p>DOI: 10.1039/c7tx00201g</p>	2018
<p>Alterations in adult hippocampal neurogenesis, aberrant protein s-nitrosylation, and associated spatial memory loss in streptozotocin-induced diabetes mellitus type 2 mice</p> <p><i>Aneeqa Noor Saadia Zahid</i></p> <p><i>Iranian Journal of Basic Medical Sciences</i> , Volume: 20 Issue: 10 Pages: 1159-1165</p> <p>Impact Factor: 1.514 Quartile: 4 Citations: 22</p> <p>DOI: 10.22038/IJBMS.2017.9366</p>	2017
<p>Isolation and identification of flavonoids from anticancer and neuroprotective extracts of Trigonella foenum graecum</p> <p><i>Shabina Ishtiaq Ahmed Muhammad Qasim Hayat Saadia Zahid Muhammad Tahir1 Qaisar Mansoor Muhammad Ismail Kristen Keck Robert Bates</i></p> <p><i>Tropical Journal of Pharmaceutical Research</i> , Volume: 16 Issue: 6 Pages: 1391-1398</p> <p>Impact Factor: 0.444 Quartile: 4 Citations: 17</p> <p>DOI: 10.4314/tjpr.v16i6.25</p>	2017
<p>Effect of Metformin on Adult Hippocampal Neurogenesis: Comparison with Donepezil and Links to Cognition</p> <p><i>Sara Ahmed Zahra Mahmood Shoaib Naiyer Hashmi Inga Zerr Saima Zafar Aneela Javed Saadia Zahid</i></p> <p><i>Journal of Molecular Neuroscience</i> , Volume 62, Issue 1, Pages 88-98</p> <p>Impact Factor: 2.454 Quartile: 3 Citations: 60</p> <p>DOI: 10.1007/s12031-017-0915-z</p>	2017
<p>Pharmacological Effects of Turmeric on Learning, Memory and Expression of Muscarinic Receptor Genes (M1, M3 and M5) in Stress-induced Mouse Model</p> <p><i>Aliya Khalid Rabia Shakeel Saira Justin Ghazala Iqbal Saadia Zahid Syed Adnan Ali Shah Tauqeer Ahmad</i></p> <p><i>Current Drug Targets</i> , Volume: 18 Issue: 13 Pages: 1545-1557</p> <p>Impact Factor: 3.112 Quartile: 2 Citations: 4</p> <p>DOI: https://doi.org/10.2174/1389450118666170315120627</p>	2017
<p>Differential S-nitrosylation of proteins in Alzheimer's disease</p> <p><i>Saadia Zahid Rizma Khan Micheal Oellerich Nikhat Ahmed A. R. Asif</i></p> <p><i>Neuroscience</i> , Volume 256, Pages 126-136</p> <p>Impact Factor: 3.357 Quartile: 2 Citations: 82</p> <p>DOI: 10.1016/j.neuroscience.2013.10.026</p>	2014
<p>Differential expression of proteins in brain regions of alzheimer's disease patients</p> <p><i>Saadia Zahid Michael Oellerich Abdul R Asif Nikhat Ahmed</i></p> <p><i>Neurochemical Research</i> , Volume 39, Pages 208-215</p> <p>Impact Factor: 2.593 Quartile: 3 Citations: 32</p> <p>DOI: 10.1007/s11064-013-1210-1</p>	2014

Protein expression profiling of nuclear membrane protein reveals potential biomarker of human hepatocellular carcinoma2013

Rizma Khan Saadia Zahid Yu-Jui Yvonne Wan Jameson Forster A-Bashar Abdul Karim Atta M Nawabi Abid Azhar M Ataur Rahman Nikhat Ahmed
Clinical Proteomics , Volume 10(1), Article Number 6
Impact Factor: N/A | Citations: 18
DOI: 10.1186/1559-0275-10-6

Phosphoproteome profiling of substantia nigra and cortex regions of Alzheimer's disease patients2012

Saadia Zahid Michael Oellerich Abdul R Asif Nikhat Ahmed
Journal of Neurochemistry , Volume 121, Issue 6, Pages 954-963
Impact Factor: 3.973 | Quartile: 2 | Citations: 40
DOI: 10.1111/j.1471-4159.2012.07737.x

Conference Proceedings

Computational screening of secretory proteins with brain-specific expression in Glioblastoma multiforme2022

Sumera Sanila Amber Fatima Javed Mirza Amjad Ali Saadia Zahid
1st International Conference on Engineering and Applied Natural Sciences, res.country(224,)
Citations: N/A
DOI: 10.21203/rs.3.rs-930442/v1

Book Chapters

Clinical Proteomics: Diagnostics and Prognostic Markers of Cancer2022

Saima Zafar Aniq Saeed Saadia Zahid
In: Book on Cancer Biomarkers in Diagnosis and Therapeutics, 1st Edition, Chapter 4, Pages 83-99
Citations: 1
DOI: https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-16-5759-7_4

Role of aluminium in Post-Translational Modifications and Neurological Disorders2021

Saadia Zahid Sanila Amber Fatima Javed Mirza
In: Book on Biochemical Mechanisms of Aluminium Induced Neurological Disorders, Chapter 3, Pages 66-80
Citations: N/A
DOI: 10.2174/9781681088839121010005

Editorial Activities

Applied Microbiology and Biotechnology	2023
Reviewed Papers for Journals	
Impact Factor: 5.43	
	2023
Edited Journal Issue / Proceeding / Book	
Impact Factor: 4.08	
Frontiers in Neuroscience	2023
Reviewed Papers for Journals	
Impact Factor: 4.3	
	2022
Reviewed Papers for Journals	
Impact Factor: 5.13	
	2022
Reviewed Papers for Journals	
Impact Factor: 5.13	
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