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EDUCATION

- 2014 PhD (Food Sciences), Whistler Center for Carbohydrate Research, Department of Food Science, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA
- 2010 MS (Food and Nutritional Sciences), Department of Food Science and Nutrition, California State University-Fresno, CA, USA
- 2007 B. Tech (Dairy Technology), West Bengal University of Animal and Fishery Sciences, Kolkata, India

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- July 2024 onwards: Associate Professor at Department of Food Process Engineering, National Institute of Technology Rourkela, India
- October 2014 to June 2024: Assistant Professor at Department of Food Process Engineering, National Institute of Technology Rourkela, India

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATES

- Aseptic processing and packaging workshop, Department of Food Science, Purdue University (2013).
- Whistler Center for Carbohydrate Research Short Course, Department of Food Science, Purdue University, 2010, 2011, and 2012.

RESEARCH FOCUS

- Valorization of agricultural and food processing products and byproducts by utilizing them in bioactive food packaging systems.
- Formulation and characterization of food-grade emulsion systems as delivery vehicles for active ingredients such as antimicrobial compounds.
- Formulation and characterization of emulgels/hydrogels/oleogels/bigels from food ingredients for the protection and delivery of antimicrobial compounds and probiotics.

PUBLICATIONS (* Corresponding author):

1. Santhosh R, Thakur R, **Sarkar P***, Janaswamy S. 2025. Active bio-nanocomposites from litchi seed starch, tamarind kernel xyloglucan, and lignin nanoparticles to improve the shelf-life of banana (*Musa acuminata*). **Food Chemistry (Elsevier)**. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.foodchem.2024.141327>
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7. Pipaliya R, Basaiawmoit B, Sakure AA, Maurya R, Bishnoi M, Kondepudi KK, Padhi S, Rai AK, Liu Z, **Sarkar P**, Hati S. 2024. Production and characterization of anti-hypertensive and anti-diabetic peptides from fermented sheep milk with anti-inflammatory activity: in vitro and molecular docking studies. **Journal of The Science of Food and Agriculture (John, Wiley, and Sons)**. DOI: [10.1002/jsfa.13617](https://doi.org/10.1002/jsfa.13617)
8. Thakur R, Wickramarachchi S, Pal K, **Sarkar P***. 2024. Gelatin/chitosan-lactate/curcuma hydroethanolic extract-based antimicrobial films: Preparation, characterization, and application on chicken meat. **Food Hydrocolloids (Elsevier)**. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.foodhyd.2024.110075>
9. Pipaliya R, Basaiawmoit B, Sakure A, Maurya R, Bishnoi M, Kondepudi KK, Singh BP, Paul S, Liu Z, **Sarkar P**, Patel A, Hati S. 2024. Peptidomics-based identification of Antihypertensive and Antidiabetic Peptides from sheep milk fermented using *Limosilactobacillus fermentum* KGL4 MTCC 25515 with Anti-inflammatory activity: In-silico, In-vitro, and Molecular docking studies. **Frontiers in Chemistry**. DOI: [10.3389/fchem.2024.1389846](https://doi.org/10.3389/fchem.2024.1389846)
10. Patra A, Prasath VA, Shende AS, Thakur R, Deep B, Madhumathi G, **Sarkar P**. 2024. Effect of pin-to-plate atmospheric cold plasma on technological and nutritional functionality of horse gram (*Macrotyloma uniflorum*) flour. **Journal of Food Process Engineering (John, Wiley, and Sons)**. DOI: [http://doi.org/10.1111/jfpe.14571](https://doi.org/10.1111/jfpe.14571)
11. Ahmed J, Santhosh R, Thakur R and **Sarkar P**. 2024. Starch-based edible packaging: Rheological, thermal, mechanical, microstructural, and barrier properties – A review, **Sustainable Food Technology (RSC)**, DOI: [10.1039/D3FB00211J](https://doi.org/10.1039/D3FB00211J)
12. Santhosh R, **Sarkar P***. 2024. Fabrication of jamun seed starch/tamarind kernel xyloglucan bio-nanocomposite films incorporated with chitosan nanoparticles and their application on sapota

- (*Manilkara zapota*) fruits. **International Journal of Biological Macromolecules**, pp 129625, (Elsevier) DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijbiomac.2024.129625>
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 15. Thakur R, R Santhosh, Kumar Y, Suryavanshi VR, Singhi H, D Madhubabu, Wickramarachchi S, Pal K, **Sarkar P***. 2023. Characteristics and application of animal byproduct-based films and coatings in the packaging of food products. **Trends in Food Science & Technology (Elsevier)**. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tifs.2023.104143>.
 16. Ahmed J, Santhosh R, Thakur R, Mulla M, **Sarkar P**. 2023. Thermo-mechanical, rheological, microstructural, and barrier properties of gum-based edible packaging: A review. **Food Packaging and Shelf Life (Elsevier)**. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.fpsl.2023.101117>
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- byproducts: A review. **Trends in Food Science & Technology (Elsevier)**. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tifs.2021.10.013>
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 35. Rawoath M, Qureshi D, Hoque M, Prasad G, Mohanty B, Alam M, Anis A, **Sarkar P**, Pal K. 2020. Synthesis and characterization of novel tamarind gum and rice bran oil-based emulgels for the ocular delivery of antibiotics- **International Journal of Biological Macromolecules (Elsevier)**. DOI: [10.1016/j.ijbiomac.2020.07.231](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijbiomac.2020.07.231)
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- K. 2019. Preparation and characterization of cocoa butter and whey protein isolate based emulgels for pharmaceutical and probiotics delivery applications-**Journal of Dispersion Science and Technology** (Taylor and Francis). DOI: [10.1080/01932691.2019.1583577](https://doi.org/10.1080/01932691.2019.1583577)
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phytoglycogen octenyl succinate. **Food Biophysics**, 11(4), 311-318 (**Springer**). DOI: [10.1007/s11483-016-9436-5](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11483-016-9436-5)

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Book chapters

1. Santhosh R, Hoque M, Syed I, **Sarkar P**. 2021. Polysaccharide-oil complexes as edible films, In: Food, Medical, and Environmental Applications of Polysaccharides (Elsevier).
2. Hoque M, Gupta S, Santhosh R, Syed I, **Sarkar P**. 2021. Biopolymer-based edible films and coatings for food application, In: Food, Medical, and Environmental Applications of Polysaccharides (Elsevier).
3. Hoque M, Agarwal S, Gupta S, Garg S, Syed I, Rupesh A, Mohapatra N, Bose S, **Sarkar P**. 2020. Lipid nanostructures in food applications, In: Innovations in Food Nanotechnology (Elsevier).
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12. **Sarkar P**, Choudhary R. 2014. Ultraviolet Imaging. In Imaging with Electromagnetic Spectrum: Applications in Food and Agriculture, Springer Berlin Heidelberg.

RESEARCH FUNDING

1. Value addition to agricultural processing by-products: Improving functionality of renewable polymer-based active food packaging materials by reinforcing with chemically tailored nanomaterials- Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration (SPARC) (Value: INR 45,73,740, August 2023-August 2025) **Role: PI [In collaboration with University of Manitoba and University of Waterloo, Canada]**
2. Cinnamon oil-based gelatin-chitosan composite films for active food packaging applications-Department of Science and Technology (DST), (Value: INR 24,56,082, July

2021 to January 2024) **Role: PI [In collaboration with University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka]**

3. Designing emulsion-based antimicrobial delivery vehicles for prolonged protection of fresh-cut fruit systems against food-borne pathogens using papaya as model-Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), (Value: INR 18,05,000, December 2015 to December 2018). **Role: PI**
4. Fabrication of polysaccharide-based protective nano-carriers for enhancing the microbial safety of fresh-cut Indian fruits against *Listeria* spp., *Salmonella* spp., and Coliforms-NIT Rourkela SEED grant (Value: INR 3,50,000, 2016). **Role: PI**
5. Development of a composite optical device employing an artificial intelligence algorithm for evaluating the shelf - life of raw agricultural products-Department of Science and Technology (DST), (Value: INR 26,30,154, January 2023 to January 2025) **Role: CO-PI**
6. Development of cost-effective microwave infrared-UV assisted continuous sterilization process for spices-Ministry of Food Processing Industries-SERB, (Value: INR 53,62,786.00, September 2015 to September 2018). **Role: CO-PI**
7. Designing a low-cost real-time food colour monitoring systems-Department of Science and Technology, (Value: INR 3832872.00). **Role: CO-PI**

GRADUATE STUDENT MENTEES

Doctoral

1. **Chanda Vilas Dhumal**: Formulation and characterization of biopolymer-based edible films with antimicrobial functionality (Graduated in 2020).
2. **Irshaan Syed**: Polysaccharide-based oil-in-water emulsion systems for the prolonged efficacy of hydrophobic antimicrobial compounds (Graduated in 2022).
3. **Santhosh R**: Development and characterization of biodegradable films and coatings from plant byproducts (Current status: Ongoing).
4. **Rahul Thakur**: Bioactive food packaging from animal byproducts (Current status: Ongoing).
5. **Souvik Giri**: Xyloglucan-based next generation food packaging systems.

Masters

1. **Lohith Kumar DH**: Designing and Characterization of Emulsion-Based Matrices for The Encapsulation of Bioactive Oils Using Polysaccharides (Graduated).
2. **Sivapratha Sivabalan**: Development of a Multilayer Emulsion System for The Protection of Polyunsaturated Fatty Acids in Flaxseed Oil (Graduated).
3. **Monjurul Hoque**: Synthesis and Characterization of Nanocomposite Food Packaging Films from Tamarind Kernel Powder and Zinc Oxide Nanoparticles (Graduated).
4. **Debarshi Nath**: Synthesis and Characterization of Tamarind Kernel Powder-Based Food Packaging Films Incorporated with Halloysite Nanoclay and trans-Cinnamaldehyde (Graduated).
5. **Yaghuvendra Kumar**: Fabrication and characterization of food packaging films from defatted pumpkin seed meal and halloysite (Graduated).
6. **Dasarigandla Madhu Babu**: Impact of cold plasma on the material properties of pea protein isolate-based packaging films (Graduated).
7. **Bindu Sravanthi**: Novel food packaging materials from tamarind seed polysaccharides modified with cellulose nanoparticles.

TEACHING

- Food chemistry (3 credits)
- Food chemistry lab (2 credits)
- Food microbiology and safety (3 credits)
- Food microbiology and safety lab (2 credits)
- Food ingredients and additives (3 credits)
- Food analysis and quality control (3 credits)
- Advanced food testing lab (2 credits)
- Functional Foods and Nutraceuticals (3 credits)
- Dairy process engineering (3 credits)
- Dairy process engineering lab (2 credits)

SCIENTIFIC PRESENTATIONS

1. Thakur R, Wickramarachchi S, Pal K, **Sarkar P**. 2024. Multifunctional gelatin/ chitosan lactate/ curcuma hydroethanolic extract based food packaging films for enhanced shelf life of chicken meat: a comprehensive characterization and application study. 22nd IUFOST World Congress of Food Science and Technology, Italy [Poster presentation].
2. Santhosh R, **Sarkar P**. 2022. Fabrication of jackfruit seed starch/tamarind kernel xyloglucan/zinc oxide nanoparticles-based biodegradable films for food packaging applications. 21st IUFOST World Congress of Food Science and Technology, Singapore [Poster presentation].
3. Syed I, Banerjee P, **Sarkar P**. 2019. Antimicrobial Effect of Citral-Based Emulsions against *Escherichia coli* MTCC 443 on Fresh-Cut Papaya Surface. International Association for Food Protection (IAFP) Annual Meeting, Louisville, KY, USA [Poster presentation].
4. CV Dhumal, Bandara N, **Sarkar P**. 2019. Carvacrol and citral-loaded sago starch/guar gum bi-phasic edible films shows improved antimicrobial efficacy. Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) Annual Meeting and Food Expo, New Orleans, LA, USA [Poster presentation].
5. CV Dhumal, **Sarkar P**. 2018. Sago starch and guar gum composite films: optimization of physical and optical properties using Box-Behnken design and its characterization. 19TH IUFOST World Congress of Food Science and Technology, India [Poster presentation].
6. Irshaan Syed, **Sarkar P**. 2018. Influence of ultrasonication and processing parameters on stability of carvacrol loaded emulsions. 19TH IUFOST World Congress of Food Science and Technology, India [Poster presentation].
7. Irshaan Syed, **Sarkar P**. 2018. Impact of carvacrol and cinnamaldehyde loaded oil-in-water emulsions stabilized with starch Octenyl succinate on foodborne pathogens. 19TH IUFOST World Congress of Food Science and Technology, India [Poster presentation].
8. CV Dhumal, **Sarkar P**. 2017. Formulation of antimicrobial-loaded edible films from polysaccharides and proteins. 2nd Innovations in Food Packaging, Shelf Life and Food Safety Conference, Munich, Germany [Poster presentation].
9. Irshaan Syed, **Sarkar P**. 2017. Impact of antimicrobial-loaded emulsion system stabilized with gum arabic on food borne pathogens. 2nd Innovations in Food Packaging, Shelf Life and Food Safety Conference, Munich, Germany [Poster presentation].

10. Sivapratha S, **Sarkar P**. 2016. Comparison of Emulsions Stabilized by Anionic and Cationic Biopolymers-at Asian Food Safety and Security Association (AFSA) Conference on "Food Safety and Food Security", 15th-17th September [Poster presentation].
11. Irshaan Syed, **Sarkar P**. 2016. Effect of Ultrasonication Parameters on the Stability of Oil-in-Water Emulsions. Asian Food Safety and Security Association (AFSA) Conference on "Food Safety and Food Security" 15th-17th September [Poster presentation].
12. Irshaan Syed, **Sarkar P**. 2016. Influence of pH on Emulsification Behavior of Gum Arabic Oil-in-Water Emulsions. International Conference on Emerging Technologies in Agricultural and Food Engineering (ETAE), IIT Kharagpur, 27-30 December [Poster presentation].
13. CV Dhumal, **Sarkar P**. 2016. Formulation of edible films from whey proteins. International Conference on Emerging Technologies in Agricultural and Food Engineering (ETAE), IIT Kharagpur, 27-30 December [Poster presentation].
14. Lohith Kumar DH, **Sarkar P**. 2015. Influence of biopolymer concentration on physical and rheological properties of flaxseed oil-in-water emulsion-at XXIV Indian Convention of Food Scientists and Technologists, India [Poster presentation].
15. Delivery systems and functional materials in food science, 2014- at Department of Chemistry, National Institute of Technology Rourkela, India [Oral presentation].
16. **Sarkar P**, Yao Y. 2013. Starch octenyl succinate stabilized emulsion for the protection of nisin activity in a cantaloupe juice food model-at the IFT Annual Meeting and Food Expo, Chicago IL [Poster presentation].
17. **Sarkar P**, Yao Y. 2013. Comparative study on nisin adsorption to PG-OS nanoparticles in aqueous and emulsion based systems- at the Whistler Center for Carbohydrate Research Meeting, Purdue University [Poster presentation].
18. **Sarkar P**, Bhunia A, Yao Y. 2012. Adsorption of nisin with phytyglycogen octenyl succinate- at the IFT Annual Meeting and Food Expo, Las Vegas, NV.
19. **Sarkar P**, Yao Y. 2012. Study on the interaction between phytyglycogen octenyl succinate nanoparticles and nisin- at the Whistler Center for Carbohydrate Research Meeting, Purdue University [Poster presentation].
20. **Sarkar P**, Yao Y. 2011. Quantification of nisin-A using liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry for PG-OS nanoparticle mediated controlled delivery- at the Whistler Center for Carbohydrate Research Meeting, Purdue University [Poster presentation].
21. **Sarkar P**, Choudhury G. 2010. Peach Pomace Utilization using Twin Screw Extrusion Processing"- at the IFT Annual Meeting and Food Expo, Chicago, IL [Poster presentation].
22. **Sarkar P**, Choudhury G. 2010. "Extrusion Processing of Fruit Pomace"- at the Central California Research Symposium, CSU-Fresno [Poster presentation].
23. **Sarkar P**, Choudhury G. 2010. "Extrusion of Fruit Processing Co-products"- at the Graduate Research and Creative Activities Symposium, CSU-Fresno [Poster presentation].
24. Choudhary R, **Sarkar P**. 2009. "Correlation of Composition and Physical Properties on Texture of Market *Rasogolla*"- at the IFT Annual Meeting and Food Expo, Anaheim, CA [Poster presentation].
25. Choudhary R, **Sarkar P**. 2007. "Correlation between Chemistry, Rheology and Microstructure of *Rasogolla* (an acid coagulated Indian dairy product)"- at the International Conference on Traditional Dairy Foods, National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal, India [Poster presentation].

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND HONORS

1. Full membership of Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Honor Society (2023).

2. 3rd position winner of Carbohydrate Division poster competition-IFT Annual Meeting and Food Expo 2013, Chicago.
3. Division finalist in Carbohydrate Division poster competition-IFT Annual Meeting and Food Expo 2012, Las Vegas.
4. Graduate Research Assistantship from Purdue University for pursuing PhD program in Food Technology.
5. MS thesis nominated for Outstanding Thesis Award from the Department of Food Science and Nutrition-CSU Fresno.
6. Graduate Student Research and Creative Activities Merit Award from the Division of Graduate Studies, California State University-Fresno for pursuing MS thesis research.
7. Travel Grant Scholarship from the Division of Graduate Studies, California State University-Fresno for presenting MS research at the 2010 IFT Annual Meeting and Food Expo at Chicago, IL.
8. Student Monitorship Award from IFT for attending Annual Meeting and Food Expo at Anaheim, 2009.
9. Tuition Waiver Scholarship from the International Programs and the Jordan College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology, California State University-Fresno.
10. Graduate Research Assistantship from California State University for pursuing MS program in Food and Nutritional Sciences.
11. University Merit Scholarship from WBUAFS-India during BTech program.

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