## **Curriculum Vitae**



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#### Positions Held:

Position	Affliation	Time Period
Scientific Officer 'E'	Advanced Centre for	Present
Co-investigator	Treatment Research and	
Mulherkar Lab	Education in Cancer, Navi	
	Mumbai, India	
DBT Research Associate	University Dept. of	Jan 1994 - August 1994
	Chemical Technology	_
	[UICT] Mumbai, India	
Lecturer	Dept. of Biochemistry, M S	April1992 - Dec1993
	University of Baroda,	
	Vadodara, India	

# Area of Specialization:

- Molecular Biology
- Biochemistry

#### Research Experience:

- Minimal Residual Disease in solid tumours [ Breast & Thoracic malignancies]
- Drugs to increase gap junctions to enhance the bystander effect for tumour cell kill by prodrug activation strategy.[Gene Therapy]
- Assessing ECM proteins in the Plasma of Gastrointestinal and Head & Neck Cancer Patients as plausible markers of malignancy [ Cancer Biomarkers]
- Preclinical studies using Adenovirus Herpes simplex Thymidine Kinase / Ganciclovir for Oro-Pharyngeal Squamous Cell Carcinoma and large-scale preparation of Clinical Grade Vector

### Awards and Fellowships:

- Best Poster Award in the International Symposium on Recent Advances in Biotherapeutics, Reliance Institute of Life Sciences, DALSC, Navi Mumbai, India Feb 13-14, 2009
- Oral Presentation at the meeting of the International Society for Cell and Gene Therapy, UCC, Cork, Ireland: September 2-4, 2009
- Sister Institute Associate, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, USA Nov 2009-Feb 2010

### Membership in Professional Societies

- Indian Association of Cancer research
- Indian Society of Cell Biology

#### Publications:

Neah Likhite and **Ujjwala Warawdekar** (2011) A Unique Method for Isolation and Solubilization of Proteins after extraction of RNA from Tumour Tissue Using Trizol J Biomol Tech. 2011 Apr;22(1):37-44.

**UM Warawdekar**, SM Zingde, KSN Iyer, P Jagannath, AR Mehta and NG Mehta. (2006) Elevated Levels and Fragmented Nature of Cellular Fibronectin in the Plasma of Gastrointestinal and Head & Neck Cancer Patients. Clin Chim Acta. 2006 Oct; 372 (1-2): 83-93.

# Book Chapter

**Ujjwala Warawdekar** and Rita Mulherkar.(2010) Suicide Gene Therapy: A Promising Strategy for Cancer Gene Therapy **Cancer Gene Therapy,2010**: 25-39 ISBN: 978-81-308-0410-1 Editor: Masatoshi Tagawa

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Project Title	Role	Funding Agency	Sanction Number	Sanction Date
Use of HDAC inhibitors and other drugs to enhance bystander effect for tumour cell kill by prodrug activation strategy	Principal Investigator	Council of Scientific and Industrial Research		2008 -2010