Tour Report

Report on participation of the ICMR International Fellow (ICMR-IF) in Training/Research abroad

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3. Frontline area of research in which training/research was carried out: Use of nanotechnology to leverage the pharmacological effect of Cannabis

4. Name & address of Professor and host institute: Prof. Shimon Ben-Shabat, Director-School of Pharmacy, Department of Biochemistry & Pharmacology, Faculty of Health Sciences, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev P.O. Box 653 Beer-Sheva 84105, ISRAEL.

5. Highlights of work conducted:

Nanoparticles of CBD (Canabidol), a non-psychoactive compound of Cannabis plant were prepared by nano-precipitation technique, size was measured using nanosight. The CBD nanoparticles of size less than 200 nm and pure CBD were subjected to THP-1 cells (differentiated) for cell toxicity studies using XTT Protocols.

Discussion of future plans for collaborations:

- i) Technique/expertise acquired: Nanoformulations of CBD and their evaluations, Cell culture techniques, Cell toxicity studies.
- ii) Research results, including any papers, prepared/submitted for publication: Under preparation
- iii) Proposed utilization of the experience in India: I have planned to continue the further work in India in my lab.

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