# **Contribution To Expanding the Genetic Alphabet, Genetic Code and SNPs Genotyping for Personalized Medicine: Click Chemistry and Sonogashira Coupling As Key Synthetic Protocols Adopted In All**

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Pd (II) mediated C-C coupling 2-(iodoethynyl)-1,1'-biphenyl

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Triazolyl Nitrobenzene Nucleoside Stabilizes an Abasic Site [Bag *et al. To be* Communicated.]





#### Ends Free Molecular Beacon [Bag et al. Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett. 2009, 19, 6392.]

425

525

Wavelength (nm)

625

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## **Contributions to Expanding the Genetic Codes**



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#### Aromatic Triazolo-Amino Acids Scaffolded Trichromophoric β-sheet Pentapeptide-Dual Path to Excimer Emission [Bag *et al. RSC Advances* 2016, *6*, 72654.]



Monitoring Chemical Cleavage of Triazolyl β-Lactams by Fluorescence [Bag et al. J. Phochem.Photobiol. A:Chemistry 2018, 353, 464.]



**<u>Current Focus</u>**:

Incorporation of Triazolyl/Tetrazolyl/Other Unnatural Amino Acids into Proteins by Nonsense Suppression Codon Method





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# <u>Contributions to Synthetic Methodology /</u> <u>Physical Organic Chemistry</u>

Photocatalytic Click Reaction and Glaser Coupling Using a Smart and Multitalented Nanocomposite Photocatalyst [Bag *et al. To be* Communicate; Patent Under Process]



Reactivity of Enediyne-Nucleobase Hybrids: Effect of Intramolecular π-Stacking [Bag & Basak *et al.*, *Tetrahedron* 2012, *68*, 8600.]





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R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub> = Electron withdrawing R<sub>3</sub> = Electron donating

6a-e

Minor

5а-е

Major

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<sup>radation</sup> Methylene Blue Sensing by I<sub>2</sub>/TiO<sub>2</sub>Nanoparticles

Biomimetic Synthesis of Silver Nanoparticles Using Bhimkol Peel Extract as Biological Waste: Its Antibacterial Activity and Role of Ripen Stage of the Peel Bag et al. Curr. Nanomater., 2020, (In Print)

Synthesis of Highly Structured Spherical Ag@Pt Core-shell NPs using Bio-analytes for Electrocatalytic Pb(II) Sensing Bag et al. Sens. Actuat. B 2020, XX, XX (In Print)





#### Collaborative Work: Mechanistic Studies on Garratt-Braverman Cyclization [Das, Joyee; <u>Bag,\* Subhendu Sekhar</u>; Basak\*, Amit, *J. Org. Chem.* 2016, *81*, 4623. ]



#### **Collaborative Work: Selective Tagging of HCAII and Penicillin Binding Proteins** with Azido Naphthalimide Carboxylic Acids [*Chem. Commun.* 2017, *53*, 13015 (Outside Back Cover Page).]





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Showcasing collaborative research from the group of Dr A Basa at Department of Chemistry and School of Bioscience and Dr A S Chosh at Department of Biotechnology IIT Kharagpur Use of azidonaphthalimide carboxylic acids as fluorescent templates with a built-in photoreactive group and a flexible links simplifies protein labeling studies: applications in selective taggit of HCAII and penicillin binding proteins celective fluorescent labeling of proteins in a mixture resembles a fishing scenario. Actidonaphthalimide carboxylic acids as luorescent inplates endowed with a photoreactive group and a liner simplifies the design of protein labeling agents. Success abeling of HCAII and BPIs via separate attachment of selectivity and file sulfornamide and ampicilin make the template miversally appealing.



## **Contributions to Biomedical Sciences**



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#### Label Free Detection of Mismatched, Abasic and Bulge DNA Lesions Using A Fluorescent Unnatural Nucleoside

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Stabilization of an Abasic Site Paired Against Non-Nucleosidic Base Surrogate [Bag et al. To be Communicated.]

 $A_{P} = \Phi$ Model Abasic THF  $[T_{m} (OxoPy8: \Phi) = T_{m} (A:T)] \Phi$ 

OxoPys



<sup>NH2</sup>dG

 $\lambda_{ex} = 355 \text{ nm};$  $\lambda_{em} = 460/535 \text{ nm}$ 





#### Fluorescent Photoswitchable Nucleoside: Photoregulation of DNA Hybridization

[Bag & Saito et al., Tetrahedron Letters 2009, 50, 1403.]







Fluorescence Response Upon hybridisation



I<sup>st</sup> Generation G-quenched MB Probe: On/Off Sensing of Target DNA Sequences and SNPs Typing [Bag & Saito *et al.*, *Chem. Commun.*, 2007, 43, 4492 (Chemical Biology Research Article 2007, 12.)]



FINAL CONCLUSION and FUTURE SCOPE

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As a continuation of our research on unnatural amino acid and  $\beta$ -turn/sheet peptidomimetics, we recently devoted ourselves in synthesising potent peptidomimetic inhibitor of coronavirus main protease and thus decided to contribute to the society. The design involves the utilisation of our already reported dipeptide mimetic amino acid scaffold in both the cases. We propose that the variation of P1/P2 would lead to potent  $\alpha$ -keto amide inhibitor. On the same line we expect that the designed N-3 analogue could be a better candidate for inhibiting **SARS-CoV M**<sup>pro</sup>s

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In this crisis and as a continuation of the research efforts for the synthesis of novel nucleosides, Dr. Bag has recently involved in collaborative work with Prof. Isao Saito, Kyoto University, Japan, for developing antiviral nucleosides such as Avigan and AICAR analogs. Considering the effectiveness of Avigan against Coronavirus and the side effects of other nucleoside based drugs, they came up with target designed analogs. Their preliminary model study suggested replacing the ribose by linear alcohol as in acyclovir. Furthermore, the triazole containing bases shows strong interaction and binding effect reflecting their activity to stop the extension of RNA of the virus. This collaborative work would yield a highly effective COVID-19 drug.

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# **Current/Future Focus**

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