

What's your next choice: Any job? A career? A PhD first?

And, how are you preparing?

Here is a workshop designed to assist to you!

We plan even a small trip to another town. But, how well we plan the **journey of the rest of our life?**

[After all, we spend almost 1/3rd of the rest of our life-time with our career!]

Why not spare 1 or 2 days to learn about numerous job & career opportunities, in India & abroad?

Shodhaka brings you the best opportunity in this regard: The workshop reviews various job options (with / without PhD), and intends to explain ways to plan the career, preparation of an effective CV and ways to be successful in interviews – through discussions, case

"Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending." Maria Robinson

"SCOPE in life sciences (biotechnology, bioinformatics included) will be there as long as there is life. We just have to find our niche among career options & prepare well!"

- Dr. Kshitish Acharya

When? The workshop is announced for groups of students on demand (on Sundays/holidays from 10 am to 5 pm).

Where? The workshop can be organized (once a year or on demand) usually on Sundays at IBAB, Biotech Park, Electronic city, Bengaluru, 560 100, Karnataka State.

But, to reduce your time, effort and expenses, Shodhaka can organize the workshop in your department / college!

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The career planning workshop intends to provide orientation and useful tips for career planning in general, as well as specific information on the types of companies, jobs, salary structures etc. The interactive sessions will include mock exercises in job application processes, including interviews and also educate participants about job and career options in the areas of life sciences (biotechnology, bioinformatics, microbiology, biochemistry etc).

The workshop is designed and organized by Dr. Kshitish Acharya

After research experience in Indian Institute of Science and University of Virginia (USA), he led the research and production unit of a biotech-company before joining IBAB as a faculty. He has conceived and set up a very special laboratory course in bio-techniques. This program has been highly successful with more than 95% placement record of students over 6 batches. Dr. Acharya also has experience in screening more than 400 candidates for several positions; he has also placed students in various organizations.

Creating awareness about career planning is his passion. He has given several talks and written articles (see below) on topics related to human resource development and career planning. The workshops conducted by him in the past have been very successful.

Some of the related talks and articles by Dr. Kshitish Acharya are listed here:

1. *Review of the book: Career development in bioengineering and biotechnology; By Madhavan, G., Oakley B. and Ken, L. (eds); Springer Science + Business Media (New York) Current Science 96, 293 (2009).*

2. *A lecture delivered at Bangalore Bio 2005: 'A perspective on current training in India in the areas of biotechnology and bioinformatics'.*

3. *The Biotech-Bioinfo Interface in the Context of Education and Growth of the Biotechnology Industry in India Today 2006 Biovistas (full-text available at www.ibab.ac.in).*

Contents of the career planning workshop:

- A) Interactive session on career planning vs. jobs
- B) An overview of various jobs and career options in biotechnology, bioinformatics and life sciences.
- C) An overview- companies and institutes in India.
- D) Discussions on preparation for PhD-based research career (including applying for PhD abroad); discussions on other higher studies, importance of internships and choices for the same
- E) How to make better job-application?
- F) How to prepare better for interviews?
- G) Growth after landing in the first job
- H) Significance of general professional skills

Shodhaka has successfully conducted such workshops in the past and the participants have been extremely satisfied. Their feedbacks can be found on our website.

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