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Education history

- **M.Sc.:** Medical Microbiology, Ahvaz Jundishapur University of Medical Sciences, Ahvaz, Iran. 2005
- **PhD:** Medical Bacteriology, Isfahan University of Medical Sciences, Isfahan, Iran, 2005-2011.
- **PhD thesis:** Molecular characterization of Nontuberculous mycobacteria (NTM), and *Nocardia* spp.

Employment history

- 2011-2014: Assistant professor, Health Research Institute, Infectious and Tropical Diseases Research Center, Ahvaz Jundishapur University of Medical Sciences, Ahvaz, Iran
- 2014- up to now: Assistant professor, Department of Epidemiology, Pasteur Institute of Iran, Tehran, Iran

Main responsibility

2011-2014:

- Head of Laboratory of Infectious and Tropical Diseases Research Center, Ahvaz Jundishapur University of Medical Sciences

- Processing of clinical samples for isolation, characterization, antimicrobial susceptibility testing of *M. tuberculosis* and other pathogenic mycobacteria
- Quality control and biosafety in BSL2 Laboratory
- Develop standards and SOPs in clinical laboratory
- Training of postgraduate students and laboratory staffs

2014- up to now:

- Establishing national reference laboratory of Plague, Tularemia and Q Fever, Pasteure Institute of Iran, Tehran, Iran
- Head of national reference laboratory of Plague, Tularemia and Q Fever, Pasteure Institute of Iran, Tehran, Iran
- Processing of clinical samples for monitoring and detection of Plague, Tularemia and Q Fever
- Quality control and biosafety in BSL2 plus Laboratory
- Develop standards and SOPs in BSL2 plus Laboratory
- Training of postgraduate students and laboratory staffs

Research Focus:

- **Emerging and reemerging infectious disease**
 - a. Nontuberculous mycobacteria as emerging pathogens
 - b. Multidrug resistance *M. tuberculosis*
 - c. Monitoring of Plague, Tularemia and Q Fever in public and in wildlife.
- **Molecular epidemiology of Emerging and reemerging infectious disease**

Professional experience

- Characterization based on phenotypic techniques
- Susceptibility testing (proportional method and broth microdilution test).
- Chemotaxonomy identification of Nontuberculous mycobacteria.
- Molecular identification
- Phylogenetic analysis

- Riboprinting, PFGE typing, RAPD typing, ERIC typing and sequenced based typing (Multilocus sequence typing or MLST) for investigation of molecular epidemiology
- Serological and Molecular monitoring of Plague, Tularemia and Q Fever

Publications

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- Pourahmad F, **Hashemi Shahraki A**, Heidarieh H, Khosravi A, and Shojaei H. First Report on the Isolation of *Mycobacterium europaeum* from an Immunocompromised Patient in Iran. *Japanes Journal of Infectious Diseaseas.* 2012,(Accepted).
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