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## Welcome

As Conference Chair, I am honored to welcome all participants to the conference organized by **Global Conference Alliance Inc.**, to be held on **May 16–18, 2025, in vibrant Vancouver, Canada.**

This conference offers a remarkable platform for connecting and networking with delegates from around the world across diverse fields such as management, marketing, international business, human resource management, accounting, finance, entrepreneurship, digital marketing, information technology, nursing, healthcare, HRM leadership, social science, engineering, business, and economics. Attendees will engage with dynamic presentations showcasing innovative research and practical applications across both basic and applied disciplines.

In addition to the academic and professional benefits, the event also presents a wonderful opportunity to explore Vancouver—a dynamic city known for its breathtaking natural beauty, multicultural vibrancy, and iconic landmarks like Stanley Park, Granville Island, and the Vancouver Art Gallery. It is an inspiring backdrop for meaningful dialogue and collaboration.

Thank you for choosing to participate in this prestigious gathering. The diversity of our attendees is certain to foster enriching discussions, spark new collaborations, and advance our collective efforts in research and professional growth.



**Dr. Afzalur Rahman**  
CEO & Conference Chair  
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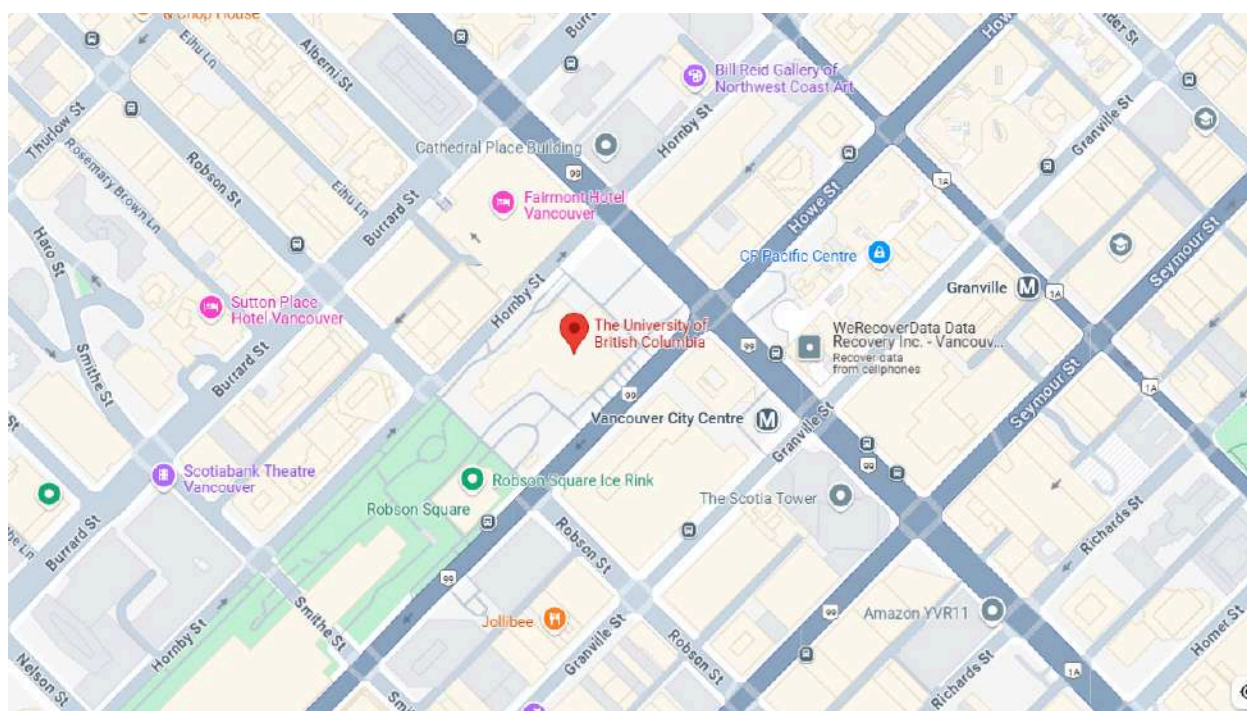
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## Conference Venue

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### Driving & Parking:

The University of British Columbia venue at Room C215 – 800 Robson Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 3B7 is centrally located in downtown Vancouver and easily accessible via major routes such as Georgia Street and Burrard Street. Metered street parking is available around the venue—please check signage carefully for time limits and rates. Several nearby public parkades, including Library Square (350 W Georgia St) and Pacific Centre, provide additional spaces. UBC Robson Square also has underground paid parking, which can be accessed via Howe Street (southbound). Parking fills up quickly during busy hours, so early arrival is strongly advised.

### Accessibility:

The University of British Columbia venue at Room C215, 800 Robson Street, Vancouver, BC is committed to providing an accessible and inclusive environment for all attendees. The facility offers wheelchair-accessible entrances, elevators, and designated accessible restrooms. Additional accommodations include automatic doors, wide hallways, and accessible seating arrangements to ensure all participants can navigate and engage comfortably. On-site staff will also be available to provide assistance and support as needed.

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## Conference Schedule

### May 16 -18, 2025 Vancouver, Canada

**Disclaimer:** Please note the main conference day is 17th May, 2025 and the conference will be held at **University of British Columbia**. If you need any help on the 16th May, 2025, please let us know by reaching out to our Hotline & Whatsapp number **+1 672-971-2088**. Otherwise, we are eager to have you on board on the conference day.

- **Friday, May 16, 2025** – Arrival of the participants in **Vancouver, Canada**
- **Saturday, May 17, 2025 (Conference Day)** – Registration, opening speech, keynote speech, and technical sessions:
- **Registration will start from 01:00 PM, Gate Closes at 1:30 PM**

Activity List, Saturday, 17 May 2025 (Conference Day)	Time
Registration and Lunch	1:00 PM - 1:30 PM
Opening Remarks by Conference Chair	1:30 PM - 1:40 PM
Ice Breaking Session	1:40 PM - 2:00 PM
<b>Technical Session 1: Human Rights, Immigration, and Refugees</b> Keynote Speech by Yasmin Jahir (virtual)	2:00 PM - 2:20 PM
<b>Technical Session 2: Medicine, Nursing, Healthcare; Mental Health and Wellness; Medical and Health Science; Healthcare Policy and Management; Pharmacy &amp; Pharmaceutical Science</b> Keynote Speech by Dr. Neeta Nagra	2:20 PM - 2:40 PM
<b>Break</b>	2:40 PM - 2:45 PM
<b>Technical Session 3: Business Management and Economics; African Business and Technology; Supply Chain Management; Digital Marketing and Technology; E-commerce and Internet Marketing</b> Keynote Speech by Swati Passi	2:45 PM - 3:10 PM
<b>Technical Session 4: Renewable Energy and Environmental Sustainability; Agribusiness and Agricultural Economics; Aquaculture and Blue Economy; Climate Change and Global Warming</b>	3:10 PM - 3:30 PM

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Keynote Speech by Dr. Tracy Adole	
Break	3:30 PM - 3:35 PM
<b>Technical Session 5: Human Resource Management, Front Line Leadership</b> Keynote Speech by Dr. Michael Provitera (virtual)	3:35 PM - 3:55 PM
<b>Technical Session 6: International Business and Marketing</b> Author presentation by Dr. Paul Clark	3:55 PM - 4:15 PM
<b>Technical Session 7: Hospitality and Tourism Management</b> Keynote Speech by Dr. Afzalur Rahman (virtual)	4:15 PM - 4:30 PM
Photo Session and Certificate Giving Ceremony	4:30 PM - 4:40 PM
Closing Remarks	4:40 PM - 4:50 PM
Testimonials	4:50 PM - 5:00 PM

- **Sunday, May 18, 2025** – City Tour (optional to the participants)

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## Conference Committee

### Keynote Speech



**Dr. Afzalur Rahman**

*Doctor of Business Administration – DBA in International Business (USA)*

*Certified International Trade Professional – CITP (Canada)*

*Former Professor of Business Management – Douglas College (Canada)*

Dr. Afzalur Rahman is a distinguished international business professional with over 15 years of experience in the field of global trade. His contributions have significantly advanced the understanding and management of international trade, impacting both local and international business landscapes. Dr. Afzalur Rahman is also dedicated to fostering academic growth by offering premier training, conference hosting, and event planning services to scholars and researchers, supporting the exchange of knowledge within the business community.

Dr. Afzalur Rahman holds a Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) in International Business and a Master of Business Administration (MBA) in Finance. His undergraduate degree in Business Administration and Management was earned at the University of Windsor, Canada. He is a Certified International Trade Professional (CITP) and a Chartered Professional in Human Resources (CPHR), underscoring his expertise in both international trade and human resource management.

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Dr. Rahman's academic journey began as a professor of international business management at Thompson Rivers University, Canada. He has since held teaching and research positions at prestigious institutions including the University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University, University Canada West, Columbia College, and Douglas College. His research interests span Business Strategy, International Business, International Marketing, Global Entrepreneurship, Retailing Management, and Human Resource Management. He has published numerous peer-reviewed articles on these subjects, contributing to the broader understanding of topics such as international trade theory, regional economic integration (NAFTA, ATPDEA, BRICS), foreign direct investment, and cross-cultural communication.

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### *Keynote Speech*



**Neeta Nagra**

*Founder, Fit To Be Strong Leader*

Dr. Neeta Nagra is an internationally recognized healthcare leader, author, and leadership coach. Holding a Doctor of Education in Leadership, a Master of Business Administration, and advanced degrees in Mental Health and Psychiatric Nursing, she brings extensive expertise to her diverse roles. As the founder of the NEWW app, Dr. Nagra supports nurses by providing free, specific self-care resources. Her work extends to writing, where she explores leadership and the impact of her global travels, including visits to the seven wonders of the world. Dr. Nagra also coaches individuals from various cultural backgrounds, helping them succeed in Canadian professional settings. She enjoys outdoor activities like hiking and paddleboarding to maintain her well-being.

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### **Keynote Speech**



**Dr. Tracy Adole**  
*Coquitlam College*

Dr. Tracy Adole is a dynamic and innovative organisational leader with over 16 years of experience in program management, research and development, and science-policy integration. A Certified Project Management Professional, she brings a strong background in data-driven approaches and innovative methods for strategic planning and decision-making. Her work spans local, national, and international levels—engaging communities, industries, NGOs, and government institutions.

Tracy holds a Ph.D. in Geography and Environment from the University of Southampton, UK, and currently teaches Physical Geography at Coquitlam College. She also provides research consulting and project management services to educational institutions, research organisations, and non-profits. Her core focus is leveraging data, technology, and partnerships to drive practical solutions for a wide range of environmental initiatives.

Tracy also volunteers in leadership roles with city councils, charities, and public library programs. Outside of work, she enjoys playing piano and chess.

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### **Keynote Speech**



**Swati Passi**  
*LaSalle College*

Swati Passi is an accomplished academic and corporate professional with a Master's degree in Business and currently pursuing a Doctorate in Business Administration (DBA). With over eight years of extensive experience in marketing and business development, Swati has honed her expertise in driving strategic initiatives and fostering growth within organizations.

Currently, she serves as a full-time faculty member in the Associate of Arts program at LaSalle College in Vancouver and teaches marketing courses at Yorkville University. Swati is passionate about empowering students with the knowledge and skills necessary to excel in the dynamic business landscape. Her dedication to education, combined with her practical experience, positions her as a valuable mentor and leader in the academic community.

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## *Keynote Speech*



### **Dr. Michael Provitera**

*Founder and President of Motivational Leadership Training*

*Founder of the Level UP Leadership Model*

*Business Expert Press Editor*

*Certified Coach & Facilitator of the Reflective Best Self Exercise*

*Management Consultant*

Dr. Michael J. Provitera is an Associate Professor of Management and Certified Positive Psychology Coach and Facilitator. Mike is an editor for Business Expert Press in the Organizational Behavior and Human Resource Management Collection. His focus is on improving organizational effectiveness and enhancing individual success. He has trained over 1000 executives and taught management to over 2000 undergraduate and graduate students.

Clients of his have been Pfizer, Trane, CEO Business, Interval International, and the City of North Miami. Michael is sought by reporters for quotes in prominent media such as Forbes, US News & World Report, The Daily News, Fox Business, Higher Ed Jobs, Hr.Com, NBC News, and The Washington Times.

Michael has published over fourteen books and over one-hundred articles and case studies. His children's book series is called Happy Go Lucky. His motivation books and leadership books have helped thousands of people not only lead themselves but also lead others. His children's books have been sent to Tanzania, Eastern Africa, to an Orphanage and school there.

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**Keynote Speech**



**Yasmin Jahir**  
*Director of Operations*  
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- **Dr. Afzalur Rahman**, Former Professor of Business Management – Douglas College
- **Dr. Michael Henry**, Thompson Rivers University, Canada; Dean, School of Business & Economics – Adviser
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## Authors' Presentation Review

**Saturday 17th May, 2025**

Name and Affiliation	Title
<b>Dr. Paul Clark</b> <i>Thompson Rivers University</i>	<b>Global Awareness Map Assignment: Basic Knowledge for Students in International Business (Working Title)</b>

Name and Affiliation	Title
<b>Nyama Simon Kwabena</b> <i>Ghana Health Service</i>	<b>Assessing the Effectiveness of Obesity Interventions in Ghana</b>

Name and Affiliation	Title
<b>Faegheh Hamzavisarkhaei</b> <i>Dr. Hamzavi Pharmacy</i>	<b>New Therapeutic Prospects and Current Potentials of Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors and Machine-Learning Models in Breast Cancer</b>

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Name and Affiliation	Title
<b>Golpar Golmohammadzadeh</b> <i>Faculty of Pharmacy, Mazandaran University of Medical Sciences</i>	<b>Polymorphisms and Levels of Diazinon and Malathion in the Etiology of Breast Cancer: A Case- Control Study in Northern Iran</b>

Name and Affiliation	Title
<b>Getahun Baye Berihun</b> <i>Bahir Dar University</i>	<b>Crop Breeding for Low Input Farming Systems and Appropriate Breeding Strategies</b>

Name and Affiliation	Title
<b>Yabdoo Kwabena</b> <i>Ministry of Local Government, Agriculture</i> <b>Co-author: Joseph Akyeh</b> <i>Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology</i>	<b>The Role of Supply Chain Visibility in Reducing Post-harvest Losses</b>

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- ❖ PowerPoint or PDF files (files should be copied to the conference laptop at the beginning of each session)

**Duration of each presentation:**

- ❖ Regular oral presentation – 10 minutes including Q&A
- ❖ Keynote speech – 20 minutes

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## Authors' Presentation Schedule

**Saturday 17th May, 2025**

Name and Affiliation	Title & Abstract
<p><b>Dr. Paul Clark</b></p> <p><i>Thompson Rivers University</i></p>	<p><b>Global Awareness Map Assignment: Basic Knowledge for Students in International Business (Working Title)</b></p> <p><b>Abstract</b>            An individual's understanding of international commercial and political events and topics is heavily dependent on an appreciation of world geography. Faculty teaching courses in International Business are often challenged by students lack awareness of basic international geographic knowledge. Students are unfamiliar with the country locations, sizes, and proximities to other countries. Additionally, students often lack knowledge of continent locations and sizes, major transportation routes, and key geopolitical chokepoints such as the Strait of Malacca, the Strait of Hormuz, and the Panama and Suez Canals. These weaknesses in geographic literacy restrict students' ability to understand many topics related to international business and geopolitics.</p> <p>To address these challenges, the purpose of the Global Awareness Map Assignment is to develop students' basic geographic knowledge. Through the use of the Global Awareness Map Assignment, students are challenged to gain a foundational understanding of the international geography, and a priori, an essential level of the international business environment. This exercise asks students to draw a detailed, freehand map of the world from memory. This assignment promotes active engagement with world geography and supports the broader pedagogical goals of developing international awareness among business students (Leask, 2009).</p>

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	<p>Keywords: Geopolitics, geographic literacy, geopolitical literacy, international business, learning activity,</p> <p>PEST / CAGE analysis, institutional environment, experiential education, international management.</p>
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Name and Affiliation	Title & Abstract
<p><b>Nyama Simon Kwabena</b></p> <p><i>Ghana Health Service</i></p>	<p><b>Assessing the Effectiveness of Obesity Interventions in Ghana</b></p> <p><b>Abstract</b></p> <p>Obesity continues to be a significant public health issue worldwide. It is commonly linked to negative effects on the health and well-being of individuals. Particularly in children, obesity has been shown to hinder their intellectual, psychological, and social development. Furthermore, it is associated with the long-term risk of diseases such as hypertension, cardiovascular conditions, and diabetes. In this regard, it becomes imperative to search for obesity interventions that are effective in dealing with this public health problem. Proceeding from this backdrop, this study generally aims to assess interventions aimed at reducing obesity in Ghana. Specifically, it aims to identify the risk factors for obesity in the country, assess its impact on individual health and well-being, evaluate the nature of obesity interventions in Ghana, and determine their effectiveness. The research employed a secondary methodology, focusing on evidence gathered from prior studies. Data were sourced exclusively from empirical research, primarily through journal articles, conference proceedings, and grey literature, including government reports and expert evaluations. The findings indicate that the risk factors contributing to obesity include socio-economic deprivation, unhealthy eating habits, fast food consumption, a sedentary lifestyle, and inadequate parental care. The results further confirm that obesity adversely affects child development, leading to psychological and emotional issues such as low self-esteem, diminished self-confidence, and depression, as well as poor academic performance and</p>

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	<p>difficulties in social interactions. Additionally, the study highlights that obesity interventions in Ghana include prohibitions on the sale and advertising of unhealthy foods, school-based educational initiatives involving parents and teachers, social marketing campaigns, informational leaflets, fiscal strategies to lower the cost of healthy foods, urban design policies promoting physical activities like walking and cycling, behavior modification efforts, enhanced nutritional labeling, and provision of resources. Again, based on the results emerging, the study finds that obesity interventions that require little agency demands from individuals tend to be more effective. Policy and research implications of the study's findings are finally discussed.</p> <p>Keywords: assessing, effectiveness, obesity, interventions</p>
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<p><b>Faegheh Hamzavisarkhaei</b></p> <p><i>Dr. Hamzavi Pharmacy</i></p>	<p><b>New Therapeutic Prospects and Current Potentials of Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors and Machine-Learning Models in Breast Cancer</b></p> <p><b>Abstract</b>  Breast cancer (BC) ranks among the most prevalent malignant tumors, with its incidence rising annually, posing a significant risk to women's physical and mental health. Triple negative breast cancer (TNBC) represents a distinct molecular subtype of BC characterized by poor prognosis and the absence of human epidermal growth factor receptor-2, estrogen and progesterone receptors. Historically, chemotherapy served as the main therapeutic approach. Nevertheless, with the emergence of the immunotherapy era, substantial advancements have been made in the management of TNBC, offering new therapeutic prospects for this challenging disease. In this context, we reviewed the results of cutting-edge clinical trials to assess the effect of immune checkpoint inhibitors targeting programmed cell death protein 1 (PD-1) and programmed death protein ligand 1 (PD-L1) together with chemotherapy. This review outlines the key treatment approaches for immunotherapy in patients with BC with particular emphasis on TNBC. Additionally, we provide an overview the potential of the current machine-learning models and artificial intelligence (AI) tools that utilize clinicopathological data, including straightforward blood tests, to anticipate the success of immunotherapies, specifically immune checkpoint inhibitors, in patients diagnosed with cancer.</p> <p><b>Keywords:</b> Therapeutic Prospects; Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors; Machine-Learning Models; Breast Cancer</p>

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<p><b>Golpar Golmohammadzadeh</b></p> <p><i>Faculty of Pharmacy, Mazandaran University of Medical Sciences</i></p>	<p><b>Polymorphisms and Levels of Diazinon and Malathion in the Etiology of Breast Cancer: A Case-Control Study in Northern Iran</b></p> <p><b>Abstract</b></p> <p>1 Department of Toxicology and Pharmacology, Faculty of Pharmacy, Mazandaran University of Medical Sciences, Sari, Iran</p> <p>Xenobiotic-Metabolizing Enzymes (XMEs) play a crucial role in the detoxification of various products resulting from cancer therapies. In the process of xenobiotic metabolism, cytochrome P450s, also known as monooxygenases, along with Glutathione S-transferases (GSTs), are essential as they facilitate hydroxylation reactions and the conjugation of glutathione (GSH) to a diverse range of xenobiotics. The extensive use of pesticides in northern Iran is recognized as a significant risk factor for the development of breast cancer. These substances undergo detoxification through phase I and II enzymatic processes. This study aims to investigate the relationship between polymorphisms in CYP1A1(rs4646421), CYP1B1(rs1056836),CYP2C8(rs1058930),CYP19A1(rs749292), and GSTP1(rs1695), as well as serum concentrations of the pesticides Diazinon and Malathion, and the risk of breast cancer in Northern Iran. This cross-sectional case-control study involved the recruitment of 72 patients and 51 healthy individuals. The participants underwent genotyping for gene polymorphisms using the PCR-RFLP technique, while the quantification of toxins was performed using the GC-MS method. The results of the experiments showed that there were significant relationships between two groups and the age of the patients was significantly higher than the control group (<math>p=0.044</math>). Regarding the relationship between the genotypes of each gene and breast cancer risk, using a logistic regression model in two normalized and age-adjusted models, it was determined that in CYP2C8 genotype, those having the CG allele, increased the risk of breast cancer in adjusted model (<math>CI=95\%1.11,75.84</math>).In the CYP19A1 gene of individuals with GA genotype, the risk of breast cancer increased in non-adjusted model (<math>CI=95\% 1/52-27/21</math>) about the CYP1B1</p>

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	<p>gene, people with two genotypes of CG+GG were associated with a higher risk of breast in non- adjusted (CI=95% 1.197,5.71) and adjusted model (CI=95% 1.31,6.57). In CYP2C8gene, the G allele had a protective effect on breast cancer and decreased the risk of breast cancer (P=0.02) and in GSTP1gene, the G allele increased the risk of breast cancer (P=0.0480). Moreover, in CYP1B1 gene, G allele decreased the risk of breast cancer (P=0.0271). Regarding the serum levels of OPs, Diazinon in the case group had a much lower level than the control group but (p&lt;0.001) there was a significant relationship between serum levels of Diazinon and risk of breast cancer (p&lt;0.001). The results of the current study confirmed the association between CYP2C8(rs1058930), CYP19A1(rs749292) and CYP1B1(rs1056836) gene polymorphisms and increased the risk of breast cancer. Also, there was a significant relationship between serum levels of Diazinon and risk of breast cancer in women in Northern Iran. The results of this study indicated that CYP2C8(rs1058930), CYP19A1(rs749292) and CYP1B1(rs1056836) gene polymorphisms were associated with breast cancer and there was a significant relationship between serum level of Diazinon and risk of breast cancer. Screening these genes, polymorphisms can be used to prognosticate disease, prevent disease progression, and be used as appropriate therapeutic intervention. Keywords: Diazinon; Malathion; Breast Cancer</p>
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<p><b>Getahun Baye Berihun</b></p> <p><i>Bahir Dar University</i></p>	<p><b>Crop Breeding for Low Input Farming Systems and Appropriate Breeding Strategies</b></p> <p><b>Abstract</b></p> <p>Resource poor farmers practice low input farming system; and yet, most breeding programs gave less attention to this huge farming system which serve as a source of food and income for several people in developing countries. The high input conventional breeding system appears to have failed to adequately meet the needs and requirements of 'difficult' environments operating under this system. Moreover, the unavailability of resources for crop production is getting for their peaks, the environment is maltreated by excessive use of agrochemicals, crop productivity reaches its plateau stage, particularly in the developed nations, the world population is increasing, and food shortage sustained to persist for poor societies. In various parts of the world, genetic gain at the farmers' level remains low which could be associated with low adoption of crop varieties, which have been developed under high input systems. Farmers usually use their local varieties and apply minimum inputs as a risk-avoiding and cost-minimizing strategy. This evidence indicates that the conventional high-input plant breeding system has failed to feed the world population, and the world is moving further away from the United Nations' goals of ending hunger, food insecurity, and malnutrition. In this review, we discussed the rationality of focused breeding programs for low-input farming systems and, the technical aspect of crop breeding that accommodates future food needs and its significance for developing countries in the decreasing scenario of resources required for crop production. To this end, the application of exotic introgression techniques like polyploidization, pan-genomics, comparative genomics, and De novo domestication as a pre-breeding technique has been discussed in the review to exploit the untapped genetic diversity of the crop wild relatives (CWRs). Desired recombinants developed at the pre-breeding stage are exploited through appropriate breeding approaches such as evolutionary plant breeding (EPB), rhizosphere-related traits breeding, and participatory</p>

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	<p>plant breeding approaches. Populations advanced through evolutionary breeding like composite cross populations (CCPs) and rhizosphere-associated traits breeding approach that provides opportunities for improving abiotic and biotic soil stress, nutrient acquisition capacity, and crop microbe interaction in improved varieties have been reviewed. Overall, we conclude that low input farming system is a huge farming system that requires distinctive breeding approaches, and the exotic pre-breeding introgression techniques and the appropriate breeding approaches which deploy the skills and knowledge of both breeders and farmers are vital to develop heterogeneous landrace populations, which are effective for farmers practicing low input farming across the world.</p> <p>Key words: Low input farming, evolutionary plant breeding, composite cross population, participatory plant breeding,</p>
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