



Curriculum Vitae

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1. Educations:

- **Second Postdoctoral Fellowship** (Aug 2023 – Sep 2025)
- **First Postdoctoral Fellowship** (Dec 2021 – Jan 2023)
- **Ph.D.** (09/2016–02/2021) Vali-e-Asr University of Rafsanjan, Iran. (19.13)
 - **Sabbatical** in CBGP, INRAE, CIRAD, IRD, Montpellier SupAgro, Univ Montpellier, Montpellier, France.
 - **Thesis:** Taxonomic Study of Superfamily Tetranychoida in Some Areas of Kerman Province
- **M.Sc.** (2010–2013) Shahid Bahonar University of Kerman, Kerman, Iran. (18.17)
Major- spider mite taxonomy
 - **Thesis:** The investigation of Spider Mites (Acari: Tetranychidae) fauna of Baft township and Molecular detection of important economic and symbiotic species in this family
- **B.Sc.** (2004–2009) Shahid Bahonar University of Kerman, Kerman, Iran. (16.02)
Major- Plant Protection.

2. Honors & Awards

2.1. Fellowships & Awards from Iran's National Elites Foundation (INEF):

- **Shahid Shahriari Award (Jahat):** Allocation of employment quota for recruitment as a faculty member, year (2025).
- **Shahid Mousavi Award:** Selected for recruitment in state executive agencies (2022).
- **Shahid Chamran Fellowship:** Awarded a Postdoctoral research grant (2021).
- **Shahid Vezvaei Fellowship:** Received a grant supporting scientific and cultural activities of outstanding students (2019–2020).
- **Shahid Syyad Shirazi Fellowship:** Granted alternative specialized military service for elite researchers (2013).

2.2. Other Academic Honors:

- **Scientific Discovery:** Discovered and described over 20 mite species new to science.
- **Distinguished Student Researcher:** Vali-e-Asr University of Rafsanjan (2019).
- **Top Ph.D. Student:** Ranked 1st in educational performance among Ph.D. students, Vali-e-Asr University of Rafsanjan (2016–2017).
- **Dr. Karim Kamali Award:** Recognized by the Acarological Society of Iran (2016).
- **Distinguished Researcher of Kerman Province:** (2013).
- **Distinguished Student Researcher:** Shahid Bahonar University of Kerman (2013).

3. Membership:

Acarological Society of Iran

4. Refereeing of journals:

- ✓ *Systematic & Applied Acarology*
- ✓ *International Journal of Acarology*
- ✓ *zootaxa*
- ✓ *Experimental and Applied Acarology*
- ✓ *Scientific Reports*
- ✓ *Persian Journal of Acarology*
- ✓ *Acarologia*

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2. BASTANI-RAD, D., LATIFI, M., MAHDAVI, S.M. & ESFANDIARPOUR-BOROUJENI, I. (2025) First record of *Augeriflechtmannia penisinuosus* (Acari: Tetranychidae) in Asia, from Iran. *Persian Journal of Acarology*, 14(4), 1140401. <https://doi.org/10.22073/pja.v14i4.86901>

3. MAHDAVI, S.M., ASADI, M. & MODARRES, S.A. (2025) A catalog of superfamily Tetranychoidae (Acari: Trombidiformes) from Iran. *Acarologia*, 65(2), 602–646. <https://doi.org/10.24349/3wta-5ato>.
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