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Ph.D. Kanpur University, Kanpur, India, 1987

#### **Research Interests:**

- Effect of drug and alcohol abuse on pathogenesis of AIDS.
- Identification of target of immune responses in HIV-1 during natural infection
- Compartmentalization of HIV during natural infection
- Vaccine approaches in monkey model of AIDS

#### **Research Grants:**

5R01AA015045-03 (Kumar) Alcohol and AIDS: Pathogenesis and Immunity in Macaque 5R21AI059361-02 (Kumar) Immune Targets during Natural Dengue Infection

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## Research Publications (2006 only):

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