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Prof. Rafat Siddiqui is Professor (Tenured) and Director of Food Chemistry and Nutrition Science Laboratory, Agriculture Research Station, Virginia State University, Petersburg. Prof. Rafat completed his BSc (1978) MSc (1980) degrees in Biochemistry from the University of Karachi, Pakistan and went on to complete his PhD in 1988 from the Australian National University Canberra, Australia.

At present, Prof. Siddiqui's research interests are in the area of cancer, inflammation, and cardiovascular diseases. His research emphasis is on the synergistic modulation of chronic diseases by a combination of nutrients and drugs. Furthermore, his research focuses on the health benefits of grape pomace, green papaya, pomegranate, plums, ginger, and turmeric extracts.

Furthermore, he has published 25 invited articles, 105 peer-reviewed and 135 conference abstracts. In addition, he has authored 2 books, 5 book chapters and has 1 US Patent to his name. Prof. Siddiqui won the: Howard Hughes Research Fellowship-Vanderbilt University, Nashville (1989-1991), T. A. Kleckner award on the outstanding research proposal by The American Heart Association (1999) and the Outstanding Faculty Award-Virginia State University, Petersburg, Virginia, USA (2020)

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