

## **Prof. Malay C. Saha,** The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation, USA

Dr. Saha obtained his PhD degree from North Dakota State University, Fargo, ND, USA, on molecular breeding and genetics and joined the Noble Foundation in 2002. He was involved in the release of six forage type small grains cultivars.

Research interest of his group is in molecular genetics and

breeding with emphasis on abiotic stress tolerance, nutrient use efficiency and feedstock quality. The long term objectives of his program are to understand the genetic mechanisms of drought tolerance, summer dormancy, forage digestibility and nitrogen use efficiency. The main species of interest include tall fescue, bermudagrass and switchgrass.