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### Education

- ✓ 1995, B.Sc. Agronomy and Plant Breeding, University of Tehran
- ✓ 1998, M.Sc. Plant Breeding, University of Tehran
- ✓ 2003, Ph.D. Plant Genetics and Breeding, University of Tehran

### Research Interest

- ✓ Wheat breeding

### Positions

- ✓ Winter and Facultative wheat breeder, SPII, Iran, 2003-2012
- ✓ Head of durum wheat breeding program, SPII, Iran, 2012 to 2017
- ✓ Deputy Director General for SPII, Iran, 2014 to 2017
- ✓ Winter wheat Breeder in Iran-CIMMYT joint project "Increasing the productivity of wheat and wheat-based systems in Iran", 2017 to ...

### Achievements

- ✓ Sharing in Release of five winter and facultative bread wheat cultivars, **Mihan**, **Zare** and **Uroum**, **Heydari** and **Zarrineh** for cold climate zone of Iran, 2010
- ✓ Release of **Shabrang**, a durum wheat cultivar for warm and drought climate zone of Iran, 2015
- ✓ Release of **Hana**, a durum wheat cultivar for temperate climate zone of Iran, 2016
- ✓ Release of **Aran**, a durum wheat cultivar for warm and drought climate zone of Iran, 2018

## **Publication**

### **Books:**

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- 3- Jalal Kamali, M.R., Najafi Mirak, T., and Asadi H.2012. Wheat: Research and Development Strategies in Iran. Agriculture education press. Karaj, Iran (In Persian)

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8. Nourbakhsh, A., Zali, A., Hoseinzadeh, A. and Najafi Mirak, T., 2008. Genetic study of resistance to Russian Wheat Aphid, Diuraphis nexia (Morduiko), in advanced durum wheat (*Triticum turgidum* var. durum) lines. Iranian J. Crop Sci. 10(2): 125-135. (In Persian)
9. Rahimzadeh, R. and Najafi Mirak, T., 2009. Effect of planting methods and plant density on grain yield and agronomic characteristics of sunflower (*Helianthus annuus L.*) under rainfed conditions. Iranian J. Crop Sci. 11(2): 123-135. (In Persian)
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- Irrigated and Post-Anthesis Drought Stress Conditions in Cold Regions of Iran.  
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11. Rahimi, B., Yazdansepas, A., Sadegpour, N., Taeb, M. and Najafi Mirak, T., 2008. Using analysis of variance based methods for stability analysis of grain yield in Iranian winter wheat genotypes. 10<sup>th</sup> Iranian Genetic Congress. Tehran, Iran. (In Persian)
12. Rahimi, B., Sadegpour, N., Yazdansepas, A., Taeb, M. and Najafi Mirak, T., 2008. Genotype by environment interaction effect on grain yield stability in Iranian winter wheat genotypes by using AMMI model. 10<sup>th</sup> Iranian Genetic Congress. Tehran, Iran. (In Persian)
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