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Anto Budiharjo is currently Associate Professor in the Department of Biology at Diponegoro University - Indonesia, where he has been since 1997. He then moved to Biotechnology Study Program in the same university since 2018 - present.

Anto earned his Bachelor of Biology at Diponegoro University in 1996 and Master of Biotechnology from Flinders University of South Australia in 2003. He received his Dr. rer. nat. in Microbiology from the Humboldt University - Germany in 2011. He continued as visiting researcher at Korea Research Institute of Bioscience and Biotechnology (KRIBB) in South Korea (2012 - 2013), San Diego State University (SDSU) US from 2014 - 2015, Suranaree University of Technology (SUT) in Thailand (2017 - 2018) and Chulalongkorn University in Thailand (2019).

His research interests lie in biotechnology, ranging from microbiology, metagenomic, to molecular biology. Much of his work has been on plant growth promoting bacteria and microbial of fermented food. In addition, he worked on metagenomic of unique environments (mud volcano, steam vents, freshwater sponge, breast milk). In the mycology area, he has been working on entomopathogenic fungi and freshwater sponge-symbiotic fungi.