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Dr. Ma Wenzhe received his Ph.D. in Pharmacology from the Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences, in 2005. He completed his postdoctoral training at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) shortly thereafter. In 2012, Dr. Ma joined the State Key Laboratory of Quality Research in Chinese Medicine at Macau University of Science and Technology as an Assistant Professor. He was promoted to Associate Professor in 2018 and Professor in 2025. Dr. Ma has published papers in top journals, including the *New England Journal of Medicine*, *Nature Communications*, *Free Radical Biology and Medicine*, *Pharmacological Research*, *EBioMedicine*, *Phytomedicine*, *Acta Pharmacologica Sinica*, *Drug Discovery Today*, *Antioxidants*, and *British Journal of Pharmacology*, either as the first author or corresponding author. He has led seven projects funded by the Macau Science and Technology Development Fund. Dr. Ma is the first inventor on four Australian patents, two US patents, and three Chinese patents. He also contributed to the National Health and Family Planning Commission's "13th Five-Year Plan" textbook, "Molecular Toxicology."

Research Interests:

- Mitochondrial Metabolism in Tumorigenesis and Cancer Therapy
- Anti-Cancer Natural Products

Education:

2002-2005	Ph.D.	Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, Chinese Academy of Sciences, China
1999-2002	M.S.	China Pharmaceutical University, China
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2007-2012	Research Fellow, Center for Molecular Medicine, National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, National Institutes of Health
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Research Funds (PI):

1. 2025/03-2028/03, Science and Technology Development Fund (FDCT) of Macau, 0075/2024/RIB2, Development of CRISPR-based on-site nucleic acid detection platforms for traditional Chinese medicine
2. 2023/01-2026/01, Science and Technology Development Fund (FDCT) of Macau, 0105/2022/A2, 7-azaindole derivative DA-5 induces ferroptosis in triple-negative breast cancer
3. 2021/01-2023/12, Hong Kong-Macao Joint Research and Development Fund of Wuyi University, 2019WGALH12, Investigating the Effects and Mechanisms of PARP Inhibitors in Parkinson's Disease
4. 2020/09-2023/09, Science and Technology Development Fund (FDCT) of Macau, 0036/2020/A1, The role and mechanism of action of statins in cancer prevention of Li-Fraumeni syndrome
5. 2020/04-2021/08, Science and Technology Development Fund (FDCT) of Macau, 0039/2020/A, Development and application of COVID-19 virus point-of-care testing reagent
6. 2019/06-2022/06, Science and Technology Development Fund (FDCT) of Macau, 0013/2019/A1, Antiglioma effects and mechanisms of action of novel mutant IDH1 inhibitors WM17 and APTM
7. 2016/02-2019/02, Science and Technology Development Fund (FDCT) of Macau, 034/2015/A1, Screening for glucose metabolism modulators with anticancer activities
8. 2013/11-2016/05, Science and Technology Development Fund (FDCT) of Macau, 088/2012/A3, Application of PCR array in mechanism of action study of neo-tanshinlactone against breast cancer and drug screening with similar mechanism
9. 2012/11-2013/11, Faculty Research Grants, Macau University of Science and Technology, 0270, Construction and application of PCR array in mechanism of action study of TCM with anticancer activities

Patents (Lead Inventor) :

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9. Use of nobiletin in cancer treatment, 2017. 11. 07, United States Patent，US 9,808,477 B2
10. Use of tangeretin in cancer treatment, 2017. 11. 07, United States Patent，US 9,808,439 B2
11. Use of nobiletin in cancer treatment, 2015. 10. 08, Australia，2015101287
12. Use of tangeretin in cancer treatment, 2015. 10. 08, Australia, 2015101288

Book Chapter:

1. *Molecular Toxicology*（分子毒理學），The National Health and Planning Commission's "Thirteenth Five-Year Plan" Planning material, People's Health Publishing House, 1st edition, 2017, 2nd edition, 2021

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