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Research areas: LC-MS-based Chemical Proteomics and Application, Quality Standards of Traditional Chinese Medicines, Natural Product Chemistry

Professor and PhD supervisor of the State Key Laboratory of Quality Research in Chinese Medicines, Macau University of Science and Technology. She has rich experience in the research of Chinese medicines, especially in the use of advanced technologies such as mass spectrometry, nuclear magnetic resonance and their hyphenated technology, databases and molecular networking to identify the bioactive and/or toxic components, elucidate the mechanism of action, and improve quality standards for traditional Chinese medicines (TCMs). In recent years, research interests have focused on the following three directions. The first is the development of methods for chemical proteomics and their applications. A series of LC–MS-based chemical proteomics approaches were established and successfully applied to determine the mechanism of action of drugs and screen for covalent antidepressant drugs. The second category includes quality standards for TCMs and

classic famous prescriptions as well as product development. Using our developed metabolomics approaches, the components of TCMs, especially those with medicinal and food origins, were fully revealed. The third is the methods for the rapid discovery of bioactive components of TCMs and their application. By integrating LC–MS/NMR, molecular networking, virtual screening, and other advanced technologies, the rapid screening, identification and structure–activity relationships can be achieved. Moreover, some original approaches were developed for the identification of macromolecules, some bioactive polysaccharides were obtained, and some of them have been applied to 3D printing. Seven Science and Technology Development Fund projects, Macau SAR (FDCT) projects, including 1 Key R&D Project (AKP) and 1 Joint Scientific Research Project with the National Natural Science Foundation of China (FDCT-NSFC), were hosted, and 1 FDCT project was cohosted. She has published more than 120 SCI papers in a number of international journals, including *Environ Sci Technol*, *Food Hydrocolloid*, *Int J Biol Macromol*, *TRAC-Trend Anal Chem*, *Med Res Rev*, *Anal Chem*, *Food Chem*, etc. She has applied for and granted 9 international patents and 13 Chinese patents. One ISO standard has been approved.

Academic Qualifications

- 1999.7 Ph. D. China Pharmaceutical University, Nanjing, Jiangsu Province, China
 1994.7 B. Sc. West China University of Medical Sciences, Chengdu, Sichuan Province, China

Working Experiences

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 2007.11 – 2011.8 Research Associate, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
 2003.12 – 2007.10 Associate Professor, The National Center for Drug Screening, Shanghai Institute of Materia Medica, CAS
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Representative publications in recent 3 years (*Corresponding author)

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 - 8) J Han, QY Yang, Z Zheng, **N Li***, JL Wu*. Bromine signature coded derivatization LC-MS for specific profiling of carboxyl or carbonyl-containing metabolites in *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* infection. *Talanta* **2025**, 285, 127345.
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 - 11) S Zhang, F Yan, F Luan, Y Chai, **N Li***. YW Wang, ZL Chen, DQ Xu, YP Tang*. The pathological mechanisms and potential therapeutic drugs for myocardial ischemia reperfusion injury. *Phytomedicine* **2024**, 129, 155649.

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- 13) YL Zuo, SL Gong, L Zhang, J Zhou, JL Wu*, **N Li***. A Deep Mining Strategy for Peptide Rapid Identification in *Lactobacillus reuteri* Based on LC–MS/MS Integrated with FBMN and De Novo Sequencing. *Metabolites* **2024**, 14(9), 467.
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