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Academic Qualifications

2012-2017	Ph.D. in Biomedical Sciences, Area of Specialization: Bioinformatics Institute of Chinese Medical Sciences, University of Macau, China
2007-2010	M.E. in Bioinformatics, Biological information science and technology institute, Harbin Medical University, China
2003-2007	B.S. in Biotechnology (Biopharmaceuticals), College of Life Science, Nanchang University, China

Working experiences

2020-present	Assistant Professor, State Key Laboratory of Quality Research in Chinese Medicine, Macau University of Science and Technology, Macao
2017-2020	Post-doctoral, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Macau, Macao Analyst, Beijing Genomics Institute at Shenzhen (BGI-shenzhen)
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Publications

Representative Papers published as First author or Corresponding author

1. Prioritizing pathway signature using deep learning approach: a novel strategy for Traditional Chinese Medicine Formula generation and optimization. *Briefings in Bioinformatics*. Volume 26, Issue 4, July 2025, bbaf403. **(Corresponding author)**
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3. Ultrasound-responsive nanobubble-mediated sonodynamic therapy sensitizes disulfidptosis in the treatment of liver hepatocellular carcinoma. *Ultrasonics Sonochemistry*. Volume 118, July 2025, 107368. **(Corresponding author)**
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9. A Neural Network–Based Scoring System for Predicting Prognosis and Therapy in Breast Cancer. *Current Protocols*. 2024 Aug;4(8):e1122 **(Corresponding author)**
10. Oxyimperatorin attenuates LPS-induced microglial activation in vitro and in vivo via suppressing NF-κB p65 signaling. *Biomedicine & Pharmacotherapy*. 2024 Apr;173:116379

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11. Transcriptional Landscape of Immune-Response 3' -UTR Alternative Polyadenylation in Melanoma. *Int J Mol Sci.* 2024 Mar 6;25(5):3041. (Corresponding author)
12. Tanshinone IIA induces ER stress and JNK activation to inhibit tumor growth and enhance anti-PD-1 immunotherapy in non-small cell lung cancer. *Phytomedicine.* 2024 Jun;128:155431 (Co-first author)
13. MMP3C: An in-silico framework to depict cancer metabolic plasticity using gene expression profiles. *Briefings in Bioinformatics.* 2023 Nov 22;25(1):bbad471 (Corresponding author)
14. Systemic Pharmacology and Bioinformatics: Exploring the Modern biological Mechanisms of Rhubarb in the Treatment of Papillary Thyroid Carcinoma. *MedComm - Future Medicine.* 2023 Volume2, Issue4 (Corresponding author)
15. MIRS: An AI Scoring System for Predicting the Prognosis and Therapy of Breast Cancer. *Iscience.* 2023 Oct 26;26(11):108322. (Co-first author)
16. Metabolic Pathway Pairwise-Based Signature as a Potential Non-Invasive Diagnostic Marker in Alzheimer's Disease Patients. *Genes.* 2023 Jun 17;14(6):1285. (Corresponding author)
17. CDKN2A-mediated molecular subtypes characterize the hallmarks of tumor microenvironment and guide precision medicine in Triple Negative Breast Cancer. *Front Immunol.* 2022 Aug 16;13:970950. (Corresponding author)
18. Three patterns of sensitization to mugwort, timothy, birch and their major allergen components revealed by Latent class analysis. *Molecular Immunology.* 2022 May;145:59-66. (Corresponding author)
19. Landscape analysis of Matrix Metalloproteinases unveils key prognostic markers for patients with breast cancer. *Front Genet.* 2022 Jan 6;12:809600. (Corresponding author)
20. Comprehensive transcriptome analysis of peripheral blood unravels key lncRNAs implicated in ABPA and asthma. *PeerJ.* 2021 Jun 24;9:e11453. (Co-first author)
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25. Re-analysis of the coral *Acropora digitifera* transcriptome reveals a complex lncRNAs-mRNAs interaction network implicated in Symbiodinium infection. *BMC Genomics.* 2019 Jan 16;20(1):48. (Co-first author)
26. Identification of long non-coding RNAs in two anthozoan species and their possible implications for coral bleaching. *Sci Rep.* 2017 Jul 13;7(1):5333. (First author)
27. Genome-guided Investigation of Antibiotic Substances produced by *Allosalinactinospora lopnorenensis* CA15-2T from Lop Nor region, China. *Sci Rep.* 2016 Feb 11;6:20667. (Co-first author)
28. The transcriptome of the zoanthid *Protopalythoa variabilis* (Cnidaria, Anthozoa) reveals several predicted toxin-like and venom-auxiliary polypeptides. *Genome Biol Evol.* 2016 Oct 5;8(9):3045-3064. (Co-first author)
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Academic and social institutions

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