Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 1998 B. S., Biology, Nanchang University, Jiangxi, China
- 2001 M.S., Zoology, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China
- 2007 M.S., Microbiology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL, USA
- 2011 Ph.D., Cell and Developmental Biology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL, USA

POSITIONS

- 04/2017-Current, Assistant Professor, Wayne State University School of Medicine, Detroit, MI, USA
- 07/2016-03/2017, Research Investigator, University of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor, MI, USA
- 06/2011-06/2016, Postdoctoral fellow, University of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor, MI, USA
- 01/2007-05/2011, Graduate student research assistant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL, USA.
- 08/2005-12/2006, Graduate student research assistant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL, USA.
- 08/2003-05/2005, Graduate student research assistant, University of Houston, TX, USA
- 07/2001-07/2003, Research Associate, Shanghai Institute of Planned Parenthood Research (a WHO collaborating Center in China), Shanghai, China
- 09/1998-06/2001, Graduate student research assistant, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China

TEACHING AND SUPERVISORY EXPERIENCE

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

- Trained and supervised three undergraduate students as a senior graduate student 2007-2009
- Teaching assistant, Laboratory course of Experimental Techniques in Cell Biology (MCB253), 2005-2010
- Feedback from students included positive comments on my approachability, courtesy, knowledge of material and teaching strategies.
- Named to the campus-wide List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students (4 times).

University of Houston

Teaching assistant, Genetics Laboratory (BIOL 3201), 2003-2004

PUBLICATIONS

- 1. **He Y.**, Hara H., and Núñez G. Mechanism and regulation of NLRP3 inflammasome activation. *Trends Biochem Sci.* 2016 41 (12): 1012-1021.
- He Y., Zeng M., Y., Yang D., Motro B., and Núñez G. Nek7 is an essential mediator of NLRP3 activation downstream of potassium efflux. *Nature*. 2016 Feb 18; 530(7590):354-7
- 3. Yang D., **He Y.**, Muñoz-Planillo R., Liu Q. and Núñez G. Caspase-11 Requires the Pannexin-1 Channel and the Purinergic P2X7 Pore to Mediate Pyroptosis and Endotoxic Shock. *Immunity*. 2015 43(5) 923–932.
- Suzuki S, Franchi L, He Y, Munoz-Planillo R, Mimuro H, et al.. ShigellaType III Secretion Protein MxiI Is Recognized by Naip2 to Induce Nlrc4 Inflammasome Activation Independently of Pkcd. *PLoS Pathog* 2014 10(2): e1003926. doi:10.1371/journal.ppat.1003926
- Byrne M., Kimura Y., Kapoor A., He Y., Mattam K., Hasan K., Olson L., Wang F., Kenis P., Rao C.V. Oscillatory Behavior of Neutrophils Under Opposing Chemoattractant Gradients Supports a Winner-Take-All Mechanism. *PLoS One.*, 2014 Jan 21;9(1):e85726

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- He, Y., Li, D., Cook, S., Yoon, M., Kapoor, A., Rao, C. V., Kenis, P., Chen, J. and Wang, F. Mammalian Target of Rapamycin and Rictor control neutrophil chemotaxis by regulating Rac/Cdc42 activity and actin polymerization. *Mol Biol Cell.* 2013 Nov;24(21):3369-80.
- He, Y., Franchi, L., Núñez, G. The Protein Kinase PKR is Critical for LPS-Induced iNOS Production, but Dispensable for Inflammasome Activation in Macrophages. *Eur J Immunol*. 2013 May;43(5):1147-52.
- He, Y., Franchi, L., Núñez, G. TLR Agonists Stimulate Nlrp3-Dependent IL-1β Production Independently of the Purinergic P2X7 Receptor in Dendritic Cells and In Vivo. *J Immunol*. 2013 Jan 1;190 (1):334-9.
- 10. **He, Y.,** Kapoor, A., Cook, S., Liu, S., Xiang, Y., Rao, C. V., Kenis, P., and Wang, F. The non-receptor tyrosine kinase Lyn controls neutrophil adhesion by recruiting the CrkL/C3G complex to and activating Rap1 at the leading edge. *J Cell Science*, 2011 124, 2153-2164.
- Shin, M.E., He, Y., Li, D., Chowdhury, F., Collin, O., Na, S., Pei, S., de Lanerolle, P., Schwartz, M.A., Wang, N., and Wang, F. Spatiotemporal organization, regulation and functions of tractions during neutrophil chemotaxis. *Blood*, 2010 116, 3297-310.

CONFERENCE POSTERS/ABSTRACTS

- He Y., Zeng M.Y., Yang D., Motro and Núñez G. Nek7 is an essential mediator of NLRP3 activation downstream of potassium efflux. *The American Association of Immunologists* (AAI) 2016 Annual Meetings, May 13-17, 2016, Seattle, WA. (Oral and Poster Presentation)
- He Y., Franchi L., Núñez G. TLR Agonists Stimulate Nlrp3-Dependent IL-1β Production Independently of the Purinergic P2X7 Receptor in Dendritic Cells and In Vivo. *Gordon Research Seminar/Conference-Phagocytes*. June 8-14 2013, Waterville Valley, NH. (Oral and Poster Presentation)
- 3. He Y., Kapoor A. Wang F. The Non-receptor Tyrosine Kinase Lyn Is Required for De-Adhesion during Neutrophil Chemotaxis. *American Society for Cell Biology (ASCB)*

2009 Annual Meetings, December 5-9, San Diego, CA.

- M. Shin, Y. He, D. Li, S. Na, F. Chowdhury, Y. Poh, O. Collin, P. de Lanerolle, M. A. Schwartz, N.Wang, F. Wang. Spatiotemporal Organization, Regulation and Functions of Tractions during Neutrophil Chemotaxis. *American Society for Cell Biology (ASCB) 2009* Annual Meetings, December 5-9, San Diego, CA.
- Kapoor A., Kimura Y., He Y., Wright C., Wang F., Kenis P. and Rao C.V.. Microfluidic Gradient Platforms: Tools to Understand Immune Cell Behavior. American Institute of Chemical Engineer (AIChE) 2011 Spring Meeting & 7th Global Congress on Process Safety. March 13-17, Chicago, IL
- Kapoor A., Kimura Y., He Y., Wang F., Kenis P. and Rao C.V. Analysis of Protein Localization in Neutrophil Chemotaxis Using Microfluidic Gradient Platforms. *American Institute of Chemical Engineer (AIChE) 2010 Annual Meeting.* November 7-12, Salt Lake City, UT
- Kapoor A., Kimura Y., He Y., Cook S., Wang F., Kenis P. and Rao C.V. Analysis of Neutrophil Migration in Response to Complex Gradients Using Microfluidic Platforms. *American Institute of Chemical Engineer (AIChE) 2009 Annual Meeting*. November 8-13, Nashville, TN

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2016 AAI Trainee Abstract Award
- 2015 Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award
- 2014 Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award
- 2009 Predoctoral Student Travel Award, American Society of Cell Biology (ASCB)
- 2007 John G. and Evelyn Hartman Heiligenstein Award for Outstanding Teaching Assistant in Molecular and Cellular Biology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2007

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- 2009-2011 Member, American Society of Cell Biology
- 2012-present Member, American Association of Immunologists