

Curriculum vitae

Personal information

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Academic education:

Sep 2008~Jun 2013 China Pharmaceutical University, Ph.D of Pharmacokinetics

Scientific career:

Since May 2024 Deputy director, State Key Laboratory of Natural Medicine,
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Research interests

The main focus of my research is on the study of host-microbe co-metabolism and neurosensory mechanism for the metabolite signals along the gut-brain axis. Using interdisciplinary neuroscience and metabolic regulation approaches, I am interested to uncover novel signaling molecules for gut-brain crosstalk, decipher the sensory mechanisms, and probe the targets for depressive disorder and its gut comorbidity such as colitis.

Honors and Awards

2022 National High Level Youth Talent Program of China
2021 Jiangsu Provincial Award for Science and Technology Progress

Representative publications:

(1) LS Cheng, HQ Wu, XY Cai, YY Zhang, SQ Yu, YL Hou, Z Yin, QY Yan, Q Wang, TP Sun, GJ Wang, YG Yuan,* XL Zhang, * HP Hao, * and **X Zheng*** A Gpr35 tuned gut-brain metabolic axis regulates depressive-like behavior. **Cell Host & Microbe**,

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(2) W Wei, YL Liu, YL Hou, SQ Cao, Z Chen, YY Zhang, XY Cai, QY Yan, ZG Li, YG Yuan*, GJ Wang*, **X Zheng***, Haiping Hao*. Psychological Stress-induced Microbial Metabolite Indole-3-acetate Disrupts Intestinal Cell Lineage Commitment. **Cell Metabolism**, (2024) 36(3):466-483.e7. (Cover paper)

(3) **Zheng X**, Cai X, Hao H*. Emerging targetome and signalome landscape of gut microbial metabolites. **Cell Metabolism**. (2022)34(1):35-58.

(4) Hou Y, Wei W, Guan X, Liu Y, Bian G, He D, Fan Q, Cai X, Zhang Y, Wang G, **Zheng X***, Hao H*. A diet-microbial metabolism feedforward loop modulates intestinal stem cell renewal in the stressed gut. **Nature Communications** (2021) 12, 271.

(5) Zhang Y#, Fan Q#, Hou Y#, Zhang X, Yin Z, Cai X, Wei W, Wang J, He D, Wang G, Yuan Y*, Hao H*, **Zheng X***. Bacteroides species differentially modulate depression-like behavior via gut-brain metabolic signaling. **Brain Behavior Immunity** (2022) 102, 11-22. (ESI highly cited paper)

(6) Liu Y, Hou Y, Wang G, **Zheng X***, Hao H*. Gut Microbial Metabolites of Aromatic Amino Acids as Signals in Host-Microbe Interplay. **Trends Endocrinol Metab** (2020) 31, 818-834. (ESI highly cited paper)