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Education

Sep 2014 – Now **École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne**
Doctor of Philosophy, Nanoplasmonic biosensors
Lausanne, Switzerland

Aug 2011 – Jul 2014 **Tsinghua University**
Master of Engineering (Research based), Biomedical Engineering
Beijing, China

Aug 2007 – Jul 2011 **Tsinghua University**
Bachelor of Engineering, Biomedical Engineering
Beijing, China

Research Experience

Sep 2014 – present **Doctoral Research Assistant**
École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Institute of Bioengineering
Lausanne, Switzerland

Aug 2010 – Jul 2014 **Research Assistant**
Tsinghua University, Department of Biomedical Engineering
Beijing, China

Primary & Stem cell culture; ESCs' hepatic and cardiac differentiation;
Biomaterial; Rheological characterization; Microfabrication by photo-/soft-lithography
and laser ablation

Jun 2010 – Aug 2010 **Visiting student**
Johns Hopkins University, Department of Biomedical Engineering
Baltimore, United States

Human bone marrow stromal cell culture, chondrogenic differentiation and
characterization; Bioreactor set up

Sep 2009 – Jun 2010 **Undergraduate researcher**
Tsinghua University, Department of Biomedical Engineering
Beijing, China

Mouse breast cancer xenograft generation; Whole-body hyperthermia therapy for
mouse breast cancer

Awards & Grants

Jan 2017 SPIE-MKS Research Excellence Award, San Francisco, USA

Jan 2016 Award: Best Poster Prize, 51st Winter Seminar, Klosters, Switzerland

Oct 2013 Scholarship: Xinjiang Economic and Technological Development Zone of Urumqi, Tsinghua University

Oct 2012 Scholarship: The GuangHua Educational Scholarship, Tsinghua University

Oct 2010 Scholarship: The Widjaya Scholarship for Tsinghua University

Oct 2009 Scholarship: Freudenberg German language competition, Tsinghua University

Skills & Activities

Skills Lable-free biosensor, cytokine secretion analysis, single-cell analysis, Biomaterials, 3D Cell Culture, Tissue Engineering

Languages Chinese (Native), English (Working proficiency), French (daily communication)

Publications

Peer-reviewed journal articles

1. **Li, X.**, Soler, M., Szydzik, C., Khoshmanesh, K., Schmidt, J., Coukos, G., Mitchell, A., and Altug, H. (2018). Label-Free Optofluidic Nanobiosensor Enables Real-Time Analysis of Single-Cell Cytokine Secretion. **Small** 14, 1800698.
2. **Li, X.**, Soler, M., Özdemir, C.I., Belushkin, A., Yesilköy, F., and Altug, H. (2017). Plasmonic nanohole array biosensor for label-free and real-time analysis of live cell secretion. **Lab Chip** 17, 2208–2217.
3. **Li, X.**, Zhao, H., Qi, C., Zeng, Y., Xu, F., and Du, Y. (2015). Direct intercellular communications dominate the interaction between adipose-derived MSCs and myofibroblasts against cardiac fibrosis. **Protein Cell** 6, 735–745.
4. Zeng, Y., Chen, C., Liu, W., Fu, Q., Han, Z., Li, Y., Feng, S., **Li, X.**, Qi, C., Wu, J., et al. (2015). Injectable microcryogels reinforced alginate encapsulation of mesenchymal stromal cells for leak-proof delivery and alleviation of canine disc degeneration. **Biomaterials** 59, 53–65.
5. Zhao, H., **Li, X.***, Zhao, S., Zeng, Y., Zhao, L., Ding, H., Sun, W., and Du, Y. (2014). Microengineered in vitro model of cardiac fibrosis through modulating myofibroblast mechanotransduction. **Biofabrication** 6, 045009. (*Equal contribution)
6. Liu, W., Li, Y., Zeng, Y., Zhang, X., Wang, J., Xie, L., **Li, X.**, and Du, Y. (2014). Microcryogels as injectable 3-D cellular microniches for site-directed and augmented cell delivery. **Acta Biomaterialia** 10, 1864–1875.
7. Yao, R., Wang, J., **Li, X.**, Jung Jung, D., Qi, H., Kee, K.K., and Du, Y. (2014). Hepatic Differentiation of Human Embryonic Stem Cells as Microscaled Multilayered Colonies Leading to Enhanced Homogeneity and Maturation. **Small** 10, 4311–4323.

8. Zhao, S., Shen, Z., Wang, J., Li, X., Zeng, Y., Wang, B., He, Y., and Du, Y. (2014). Glycerol-Mediated Nanostructure Modification Leading to Improved Transparency of Porous Polymeric Scaffolds for High Performance 3D Cell Imaging. *Biomacromolecules* 15, 2521–2531.
9. Li, X., Zhang, X., Zhao, S., Wang, J., Liu, G., and Du, Y. (2014). Micro-scaffold array chip for upgrading cell-based high-throughput drug testing to 3D using benchtop equipment. *Lab Chip* 14, 471–481.
10. Jin, C., Zhang, J., Li, X., Yang, X., Li, J., and Liu, J. (2013). Injectable 3-D Fabrication of Medical Electronics at the Target Biological Tissues. *Scientific Reports* 3, srep03442.

Conference Paper

1. Li, X., Soler, M., Belushkin, A., Yesilköy, F., and Altug, H. (2018). Optofluidic nanoplasmonic biosensor for label-free live cell analysis in real time. In **Plasmonics in Biology and Medicine XV**, (International Society for Optics and Photonics), p. 105090E.
2. Soler, M., Li, X., Belushkin, A., Yesilkoy, F., and Altug, H. (2018). Towards a point-of-care nanoplasmonic biosensor for rapid and multiplexed detection of pathogenic infections. In **Plasmonics in Biology and Medicine XV**, (International Society for Optics and Photonics), p. 105090I.

Book Chapters

1. Chen, H., Li, X. and Du, Y. (2012) 1D~3D Nano-engineered Biomaterials for Biomedical Applications, in **Integrated Biomaterials for Biomedical Technology** (eds M. Ramalingam, A. Tiwari, S. Ramakrishna and H. Kobayashi), **John Wiley & Sons, Inc.**, Hoboken, NJ, USA. doi: 10.1002/9781118482513.ch1
2. Li, X., Wittkowske C., Yao R., Du, Y. (2012). Hydrogel as Stem Cell Niche for In Vivo Applications in Regenerative Medicine. In **Biomaterials and Stem Cells in Regenerative Medicine**, M. Ramalingam, S. Ramakrishna, and S. Best, eds. (**CRC Press.**), ISBN: 978-1439879252