# Ji Hu (胡霁)

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# EDUCATION

#### National Institute of Biological Sciences, Beijing Ph.D. in Neurobiology

Dissertation: "Detection of near-atmospheric concentrations of CO2 by an olfactory subsystem in the mouse"

Institute of Neuroscience, Chinese Academy of Sciences 2003-2005 Ph.D. candidate in Neuroscience, transferred to National Institute of Biological Sciences

# Huazhong University of Science and Technology

B.S., major: Biotechnology

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

## Assistant Professor, ShanghaiTech Unvierisity

- To develop new techniques to illuminate deep brain structure and dynamics. (Optogenetics, Transgene/virus based neural tract tracing, Multiple optetrode recording, Grin lens based deep brain Ca<sup>2+</sup> imaging)

- To investigate how the odorant information are encoded in higher brain area.

- To investigate the neural mechanism for mood regulation

## Principal Investigator, Xi'an Jiaotong Unvierisity

- To develop new techniques to illuminate deep brain structure and dynamics.

#### Postdoctoral Associate, Massachusetts Institute of Technology 2009-2013 Advisor: Li-Huei Tsai

- Investigated the mechanism of neurodegeneration at the circuitry level and applied the optogenetical approaches to restore the learning and memory after neurodegeneration.

#### Postdoctoral Associate, National Institute of Biological Sciences 2008-2009

Advisor: Minmin Luo

- Identified the role of GC-C in midbrain dopamine neuron using perforated patch recording and behavioral analysis.

## Ph.D. Student, National Institute of Biological Sciences, Beijing

Institute of Neuroscience, Chinese Academy of Sciences 2003-2008 Advisor: Minmin Luo

2014-present

1999-2003

2005-2008

2013-2014

- Revealed that mammalian necklace olfactory system is dedicated to detect atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>.

#### Undergraduate Research Assistant, Huazhong University of Science and Technology 1998-1999

Advisor: Anlian Qu

- Designed the electrical circuitry to control micro-manipulator for patch recording.

#### PUBLICATIONS

**1.** Hu J\*, Zhong C\*, Ding C, Chi Q, Walz A, Mombaerts P, Matsunami H, and Luo M(2007) Detection of near-atmospheric concentrations of CO2 by an olfactory subsystem. *Science* 317:953-957. (\*co-first author)

**2.** Sun L, Wan H, **Hu J**, Han J, Matsunami H, and Luo M (2009) Guanylyl cyclase-D in the olfactory CO2 neurons is activated by bicarbonate. *PNAS* 106:2041-2046.

**3.** Luo M, Sun L, and **Hu J** (2009) Neural detection of gases—carbon dioxide, oxygen in vertebrates and invertebrates. *Curr Opinion Neurobiol* 19:354-361.

**4.** Gao L, **Hu J**, Zhong C and Luo M (2010) Integration of CO2 and odorant signals in the mouse olfactory bulb. *Neuroscience* 170:881-892.

**5.** Gong R\*, Ding C\*, **Hu J**\*, Lu Y, Liu F, Mann E, Xu F, Cohen MB and Luo M\* (2011) Role for the membrane receptor guanylyl cyclase-C in attention deficiency and hyperactive behavior. *Science* 333:1642-1646. (\*co-first author)

6. **Hu J**, Tsai L. Recovery of learning and memory by optogenetical stimulation of basal forebrain cholinergic system after severe neurodegeneration. in preparation