# *Curriculum Vitae* **Fu-Cheng (George) Liang**

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# **EDUCATION/TRAINING**

#### Post-doctoral Scholar, Biophysics/Biochemistry, June 2017

Division of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA, USA Research title: Conformational Dynamics of a Membrane Protein Chaperone Enables Spatially-regulated Substrate Capture and Release Adviser: <u>Prof. Shu-ou Shan</u> **Doctor of Philosophy, Medical Science (Biophysics/Biochemistry focus)**, Aug. 2011 Department of Molecular and Cellular Medicine, Texas A&M Health Science Center, College Station, TX Dissertation: Using Kinetics to Decipher the Mechanism of Protein Transport by the *Escherichia coli* Sec Machinery

Adviser: Prof. Siegfried Musser

#### Master of Science, Chemistry (Biophysics/Biochemistry focus), Jun. 2002

Department of Chemistry, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan

Thesis: Glycosylation of an  $\alpha$ -Helical Hairpin Peptide: A Model System for Studying the Possible Role of Glycosylation in Signal Transduction

Adviser: Prof. Sunney I. Chan

Bachelor of Science, Chemistry (Physical chemistry focus), Jun. 2000

Department of Chemistry, National Chung Cheng University, Chiayi, Taiwan Adviser: <u>Prof. Pi-Tai Chou</u>

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCES**

2022-present Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, TX 76308
 2017-2022 Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, TX 76308

- 1. Decipher the mechanism of protein targeting machinery in Chloroplast.
- 2. Directed evolution of membrane protein chaperone to ameliorate protein aggregation-associated diseases.
- 3. Apply membrane protein chaperone as therapeutics to prevent protein aggregation-associated diseases.
- 2011-2017 Post-doctoral Research: PI: Dr. Shu-ou Shan, Division of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, California Institute of Technology, MC 147-75, Pasadena, CA 91125
  - 1. To understand how membrane protein chaperone is regulated to capture and release of its substrate during the post-translational protein targeting.
  - 2. To understand the structural based of molecular interactions between cpSRP43 and its substrate LHCP by using solution NMR (collaborated with Prof. Peter Wright at Scripps) complemented with mutagenesis analysis.
- 2004-2011Doctoral Research: PI: Dr. Siegfried Musser, Department of Molecular and<br/>Cellular Medicine, Texas A&M Health Science Center, College Station, TX
  - 1. Developed the fluorescence-based transport assay for the *E. Coli* Sec precursor.
  - 2. Applied the real time fluorescence-based transport assay to study:
  - The mechanism of the Sec precursor transport through the SecYEG translocon.
  - Test the SecA insertion/deinsertion model.
  - The effects of a series of charge precursors on the transport mechanism.
  - 3. Applied FRET technique to study the interaction between precursor and SecY.
- 2002-2004 Research Assistant: PI: Dr. Sunney I. Chan, Institute of Chemistry, Academia Sinica, Taiwan

As a professional research assistant, I independently design and execute cutting-edge experiments to address complex biochemical phenomena. My responsibilities encompass solid-phase peptide synthesis and purification, mass spectrometry characterization, NMR structural identification, and protein folding studies.

I have actively contributed to several collaborative projects, including work with Prof. Michael Chan from the Department of Chemistry at Ohio State University to synthesize various dye-labeled peptides, and with Prof. Wun Shain Fann from the Department of Physics at National Taiwan University, utilizing FRET and single-molecule techniques to investigate protein folding mechanisms.

- 2000-2002 Master Research: PI: Dr. Sunney I. Chan, Department of Chemistry, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan
  Studying the effects of glycosylation and phosphorylation on the peptide conformational change and the rate of nucleation of amyloidogenesis.
- 1999-2000 Undergraduate Research: PI: Dr. Pi-Tai Chou, Department of Chemistry, National Chung Cheng University, Chiayi, Taiwan
   Designed/Synthesized the organic compounds to study the excited state double proton transfer.

# **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Protein targeting and transport across cell membrane
- Protein folding and misfolding or amyloid formation
- Membrane protein biogenesis
- Therapeutic treatment of Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease
- Protein structural and functional studies by NMR and fluorescence spectroscopy

# **QUALIFICATION STATEMENT**

I am a highly motivated biophysical chemist with research experiences on studying protein-protein interaction, protein folding and misfolding or aggregation, and protein targeting and translocation across cell membrane.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2024-present	Guest editor for the BIOCELL Journal
2024-present	Guest editor for the JOVE Journal
2024-present	Editorial board member of Molecular Cytology & Disease
2023-present	Editorial board member of Journal of Chemistry and Interdisciplinary
	Research
2022-present	Tenured and Associate Professor of biochemistry, Department of Chemistry,

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	Midwestern State University
2022-present	Biophysical Society member
2021-present	American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
2021-present	MSU Health Professions Advisory Committee
2020-present	Faculty Director, Jointed Admission Medical Program (JAMP), Midwestern
	State University
2019-present	Evaluator of the UGROW Symposium at Midwestern State University
2019-present	MSU Sponsored Programs Administration Development (SPAD) committee
2019-present	Texas Higher education Chemistry Field of Study committee
2019-present	MSU Academic Readmission Committee
2019-2023	MSU Faculty Forum Committee
2019	Chair of the Wichita Falls-Duncan section of the American Chemical Society
	(ACS), 2019
2018-present	Adviser of Gamma Sigma Epsilon for Chemistry honor society at Department
	of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2018	Chair-elect of the Wichita Falls-Duncan section of the American Chemical
	Society (ACS), 2018
2017-2022	Assistant Professor of biochemistry, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern
	State University
2017-present	Associate member of Graduate Faculty, Department of Biology, Midwestern
	State University
2017-present	Faculty Adviser Tau Kappa Epsilon at Midwestern State University
2017-present	American Chemical Society member
2017-present	Evaluator of the Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity Forum at
	Midwestern State University
2017-present	Reviewer of enhancing undergraduate research endeavors and creative
	activities (EURECA) at Midwestern State University
2011-2017	Post-doctoral scholar, Division of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering,
	California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA
	Adviser: Prof. Shu-ou Shan
2009-2015	Biophysical Society member
2004-2011	PhD student, Department of Molecular and Cellular Medicine, Texas A&M
	Health Science Center, College Station, TX
	Adviser: Prof. Siegfried Musser
2002-2004	Research Assistant, Institute of Chemistry, Academia Sinica,
	Adviser: Prof. Sunney I. Chan

2000-2002	MS student, Department of Chemistry, National Taiwan University,
	Adviser: Prof. Sunney I. Chan
1999-2000	Independent study in Prof. Pi-Tai Chou's lab
1999-2000	President, Student Association of Department of Chemistry, National Chung
	Cheng University

# **TEACHING EXPERIENCES**

Courses taught in Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University

2024 Fall	Graduate course Biochemistry I (BIOL 5243)
2024 Fall	Undergraduate course Biochemistry I (CHEM 4243)
2024 Fall	Biochemistry lab (CHEM 4242)
2024 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2024 Summer	Online General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2024 Spring	General Chemistry (CHEM 1143)
2024 Spring	Online General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2024 Spring	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2024 Spring	Graduate course Biochemistry II (BIOL 5253)
2024 Spring	Undergraduate course Biochemistry II (CHEM 4253)
2023 Fall	General Chemistry (CHEM 1143)
2023 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2023 Fall	Biochemistry lab (CHEM 4242)
2023 Fall	Graduate course Biochemistry I (BIOL 5243)
2023 Fall	Undergraduate course Biochemistry I (CHEM 4243)
2023 Summer	Online General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2023 Spring	General Chemistry lab (CHEM 1141)
2023 Spring	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2023 Spring	Graduate course Biochemistry II (BIOL 5253)
2023 Spring	Undergraduate course Biochemistry II (CHEM 4253)
2022 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)-Section 101
2022 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)-Section 102
2022 Fall	Biochemistry lab (CHEM 4242)
2022 Fall	Graduate course Biochemistry I (BIOL 5243)
2022 Fall	Undergraduate course Biochemistry I (CHEM 4243)
2022 Summer	Online General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2022 Spring	General Chemistry (CHEM 1243)

2022 Spring	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2022 Spring	Graduate course Biochemistry II (BIOL 5253)
2022 Spring	Undergraduate course Biochemistry II (CHEM 4253)
2021 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)-Section 101
2021 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)-Section 102
2021 Fall	Biochemistry lab (CHEM 4242)
2021 Fall	Graduate course Biochemistry I (BIOL 5243)
2021 Fall	Undergraduate course Biochemistry I (CHEM 4243)
2021 Summer	Online General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2021 Spring	General Chemistry lab (CHEM 1141)
2021 Spring	Chemistry seminar (CHEM 4001)
2021 Spring	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2021 Spring	Graduated course Biochemistry II (BIOL 5253)
2021 Spring	Undergraduate course Biochemistry II (CHEM 4253)
2020 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)-Section 101
2020 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)-Section 102
2020 Fall	Biochemistry lab (CHEM 4242)
2020 Fall	Graduate course Biochemistry I (BIOL 5243)
2020 Fall	Undergraduate course Biochemistry I (CHEM 4243)
2020 Spring	On-line General Chemistry (CHEM 1243)
2020 Spring	On-line General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2020 Spring	On-line Graduate course Biochemistry II (BIOL 5253)
2020 Spring	On-line Undergraduate course Biochemistry II (CHEM 4253)
2019 Fall	Chemistry seminar (CHEM 4001)
2019 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)-Section 101
2019 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)-Section 102
2019 Fall	Biochemistry lab (CHEM 4242)
2019 Fall	Graduate course Biochemistry I (BIOL 5243)
2019 Fall	Undergraduate course Biochemistry I (CHEM 4243)
2019 Spring	General Chemistry lab (CHEM 1141)
2019 Spring	General Chemistry (CHEM 1243)
2019 Spring	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2019 Spring	Graduate course Biochemistry II (BIOL 5253)
2019 Spring	Undergraduate course Biochemistry II (CHEM 4253)
2018 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)-Section 101
2018 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)-Section 102

2018 Fall	Biochemistry lab (CHEM 4242)
2018 Fall	Graduate course Biochemistry I (BIOL 5243)
2018 Fall	Undergraduate course Biochemistry I (CHEM 4243)
2018 Spring	General Chemistry lab (CHEM 1141)
2018 Spring	General Chemistry (CHEM 1143)
2018 Spring	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2018 Spring	Graduate course Biochemistry II (BIOL 5253)
2018 Spring	Undergraduate course Biochemistry II (CHEM 4253)
2017 Fall	General Chemistry lab (CHEM 1241)
2017 Fall	General Organic and Biological Chemistry (CHEM 1303)
2017 Fall	Biochemistry lab (CHEM 4242)
2017 Fall	Graduate course Biochemistry I (BIOL 5243)
2017 Fall	Undergraduate course Biochemistry I (CHEM 4243)

# **RESEARCH MENTORING EXPERIENCES**

2024-Fall	Mentoring biology graduate student, Isabella Makelaar, and advising master
	thesis defense, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2024-Fall	Mentoring Welch scholars, Kara Rodgers, Andrea Granados Millan and Shane
	Chitwood, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2024-Summer	Mentoring UGROW students, Andrea Granados Millan, entitled "Exploring
	the Impact of Salt on Protein Aggregation Kinetics in Familial Alzheimer's
	Disease Mutations", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2024-Summer	Mentoring biology graduate student, Isabella Makelaar, Department of
	Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2024-Spring	Mentoring Welch scholars, Andrew Vann, Kara Rodgers and Isabella
	Makelaar, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2024-Spring	Mentoring EURECA students, Abigail Guinan, entitled "Using Membrane
	Protein Chaperone to Disrupt the Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation: A
	Potential Treatment for Parkinson Disease", Department of Chemistry,
	Midwestern State University
2023-Fall	Mentoring EURECA students, Abigail Guinan, entitled "Using Membrane
	Protein Chaperone to Disrupt the Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation: A
	Potential Treatment for Parkinson Disease", Department of Chemistry,
	Midwestern State University
2023-Fall	Mentoring Welch scholars, Connor Mitchell, Andrew Vann, Kara Rodgers and

Isabella Makelaar, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University Mentoring Welch scholars, Connor Mitchell, Andrew Vann, Kara Rodgers and 2023-Summer Isabella Makelaar, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University 2023-Summer Mentoring UGROW students, Abigail Matthew, entitled "Membrane Protein Chaperone Prevents and Disrupts Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation: A Potential Treatment for Parkinson's disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University Mentoring Welch scholars, Connor Mitchell, Andrew Vann, Hunter Ordner, 2023-Spring Kara Rodgers and Isabella Makelaar, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University 2023-Spring Mentoring High School student, Chaitanya Reddy, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University 2023-Spring Mentoring EURECA students, Abigail Guinan, entitled "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent and Disrupt the Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation in Parkinson Disease" Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University 2023-Spring Mentoring EURECA students, Abigail Matthew, entitled "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent Familial Mutant of Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation in Parkinson Disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University 2022-Fall Mentoring Welch scholar, Connor Mitchell, Andrew Vann, Hunter Ordner, Kara Rodgers and Isabella Makelaar, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University 2022-Fall Mentoring Biology student, Abigail Guinan, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University 2022-Fall Mentoring High School student, Chaitanya Reddy, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University 2022-Fall Mentoring EURECA students, Abigail Matthew, entitled "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent Familial Mutant of Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation in Parkinson Disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University 2022-Summer Mentoring Welch scholar, Connor Mitchell, Hunter Ordner, Kara Rodgers and Isabella Makelaar, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University Mentoring Welch scholar, Connor Mitchell, Hunter Ordner, Sebastian Chavira 2022-Spring and Kara Rodgers and Isabella Makelaar, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University

2022-2023	Mentoring Computer Science graduate student, Leslie Cook, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2022-Spring	Mentoring Biology senior student, Viviana James, Brett Mitchell and Justlyn Ferrol Department of Chemistry Midwestern State University
2021-Fall	Mentoring Welch scholar, Connor Mitchell and Hunter Ordner, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2021-Fall	Mentoring Post-baccalaureate student, Porscha Weaver, Dirgha Vora and Leslie Cook, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2021-Summer	Mentoring Welch scholar, Connor Mitchell, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2021-Summer	Mentoring Post-baccalaureate student, Leah Slade, Ryan Smith, Porscha Weaver and Dirgha Vora, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2021-Spring	Mentoring Welch scholars, Leah Slade and Hunter Ordner, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2021-Spring	Mentoring Senior students, Porscha Weaver and Dirgha Vora, entitled "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Rescue the Phenotype in a Fly Model of Parkinson's disease" Department of Chamistry Midwestern State University
2021-Spring	Mentoring Senior students, Ryan Smith, entitled "Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone as a Treatment to Ameliorate Tau Protein Aggregation",
2021-Spring	Mentoring EURECA students, Christopher Sun, entitled "Applying Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Amyloid Beta
2020-Fall	Aggregation", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University Mentoring EURECA students, Christopher Sun, entitled "Applying Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Amyloid Beta
2020-Fall	Aggregation", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University Mentoring EURECA students, Porscha Weaver and Dirgha Vora, entitled "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Rescue the Phenotype in a Fly Model of Parkinson's disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State
2020-Fall	University Mentoring EURECA students, Dianna Daniel and Ryan Smith, entitled "Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone as a Treatment to Ameliorate Tau Protein Aggregation", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2020-Fall	Mentoring Welch scholars, Leah Slade and Hunter Ordner, Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University

2020-Fall	Mentoring Welch scholars, Chaniqua Moses and Ajani Thomas, entitled
	"Synthesis of Effective Drug to Inhibit Amyloid Beta Aggregation",
	Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2020-July	Mentoring UGROW students, Blanca Turner and Dianna Daniel, entitled "
	Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent Amyloid Plaques and
	Neurofibrillary Tangle Formation in Alzheimer's Disease", Department of
	Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2020-Spring	Mentoring EURECA students, Dianna Daniel and Ryan Smith, entitled
	"Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone as a Treatment to Ameliorate Tau
	Protein Aggregation", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2020-Spring	Mentoring EURECA students, Porscha Weaver and Dirgha Vora, entitled
	"Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Rescue the Phenotype in a Fly Model
	of Parkinson's disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State
	University
2019-present	Mentoring graduate students, James Denton, entitled "Utilization of Amber
	Suppression to Determine the Substrate Binding Sites on Membrane Protein
	Chaperone", Department of Chemistry/Biology, Midwestern State University
2019-Fall	Mentoring EURECA students, Dianna Daniel, entitled "Utilize Membrane
	Protein Chaperone as a Treatment to Ameliorate Tau Protein Aggregation",
	Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2019-Fall	Mentoring EURECA students, Prisca Mbonu, entitled "Directed Evolution of
	Membrane Protein Chaperone to Ameliorate Protein Aggregation-Associated
	Diseases", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2019-July	Mentoring UGROW students, Prisca Mbonu, Christopher Sun, Dolly
	Mombeyarara, and Cheslin Maloney, entitled "Apply Membrane Protein
	Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Protein Aggregation Associated
	Diseases", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2019-Spring	Mentoring EURECA students, Prisca Mbonu, entitled "Directed Evolution of
	Membrane Protein Chaperone to Ameliorate Protein Aggregation-Associated
	Diseases", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2018-July	Mentoring UGROW students, Kameron Shrum and Tyler Jones, entitled "
	Decipher the Mechanism of Protein Targeting Machinery in Chloroplast"
	Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
2017-2018	Mentoring Welch scholars, Maddison Allison, Kameron Shrum, James Denton,
	Danielle Dowe, Teri Douglas, Shermali Ratnasinghe and Matthew Mitchell
	Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University

2016-2017	Coaching 2016 Science Olympiad in Field elementary school, Pasadena,
	California
2016-2017	Mentoring SURF undergraduate and exchange students, Wen-Hua Lee and
	XiangXinyao, in Division of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, California
	Institute of Technology
2014-2015	Mentoring high school students, Chris Chi, on protein NMR assignment in
	Division of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, California Institute of
	Technology
2013-2014	Mentoring SURF undergraduate students, Samantha Piszkiewicz, in Division
	of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, California Institute of Technology
2010-2011	Mentoring research assistant, Anita Pokharel, in Department of Molecular and
	Cellular Medicine, Texas A&M Health Science Center
2001-2002	Mentoring master student, Lily Y-L Lee, in Institute of Chemistry, Academia
	Sinica
2000-2001	Teaching Assistant of the course "General Chemistry Laboratory" with
	science teacher, She, Jui-Lin, in Department of Chemistry, National Taiwan
	University

#### THESIS COMMITTEES

2024-Spring Isabella Makelaar, "Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent and Disrupt Alpha-synuclein Protein Aggregation in Parkinson's disease"
 2024-Fall Merina Guiste, "A Comparison of Oxygen-Regulated Metabolic Adaptations in Escherichia coli Using a Lung Mucus Model"

# **GRANT WRITING AND ACQUISITION**

- 2024 NIH R16 proposal entitled: Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent and Disrupt Protein Aggregation-Associated Disease.
- 2023 NIH S10 proposal entitled: Advanced Microscopy Station: Epifluorescence, Total Internal Reflection Fluorescence, Differential Interference Contrast.
- 2023 NIH R16 proposal entitled: Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Protein Aggregation-Associated Disease.
- 2023 Welch Research grant entitled: Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent and Disrupt Protein Aggregation.
- 2022 Co-PI for Jean Dreyfus Lectureship for Undergraduate Institutions

- 2022 NIH R16 proposal entitled: Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Protein Aggregation-Associated Disease.
- 2021 NIH R15 proposal entitled: Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone and Chemical Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Protein Aggregation-Associated Disease.
- 2020 NSF MRI proposal entitled: Acquisition of an 80 MHz NMR to enhance undergraduate and faculty research at Midwestern State University.
- 2019 NSF MRI proposal entitled: Acquisition of a 80 MHz NMR to enhance undergraduate and faculty research at Midwestern State University.
- 2019 NSF CAREER proposal entitled: Characterize and Apply Novel Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent Protein Aggregation in Vitro.
- 2018 NSF MRI proposal entitled: Acquisition of a 500 MHz NMR to enhance undergraduate and faculty research at Midwestern State University

# **RESEARCH GRANT**

#### MSU Undergraduate Student Research Funding

- 2024 Award UGROW project (\$500) with student, <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u> and Andrea Granados Millan, entitled "Exploring the Impact of Salt on Protein Aggregation Kinetics in Familial Alzheimer's Disease Mutations", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
- 2024 Spring, Award EURECA project (\$500) with student, <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u> and Abigail Guinan, entitled "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Disrupt the Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation: A Potential Treatment for Parkinson Disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
- 2023 Fall, Award EURECA project (\$500) with student, <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u> and Abigail Guinan, entitled "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Disrupt the Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation: A Potential Treatment for Parkinson Disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
- 2023 Award UGROW project (\$500) with student, <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u> and Abigail Matthew, entitled "Membrane Protein Chaperone Prevents and Disrupts Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation: A Potential Treatment for Parkinson's disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
- 2023 Spring, Award EURECA project (\$500) with student, <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u> and Abigail Guinan, entitled "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent and Disrupt the Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation in Parkinson Disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University

- 2022 Fall and 2023 Spring, Award EURECA project (\$500) with student, <u>Fu-Cheng</u> <u>Liang</u> and Abigail Matthew, entitled "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent Familial Mutant of Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation in Parkinson Disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
- 2020 Fall and 2021 Spring, Award EURECA project (\$500) with student, <u>Fu-Cheng</u> <u>Liang</u>, and Christopher Sun, entitled "Applying Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Amyloid Beta Aggregation", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
- 2020 Award UGROW project (\$500) with students, <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u>, Blanca Turner and Dianna Daniel, entitled "Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent Amyloid Plaques and Neurofibrillary Tangle Formation in Alzheimer's Disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
- 2019 Fall to 2020 Fall, Award EURECA project (\$500) with students, <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u>, Dianna Daniel and Ryan Smith, entitled "Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone as a Treatment to Ameliorate Tau Protein Aggregation", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
- 2020 Spring and 2020 Fall, Award EURECA project (\$500) with students, <u>Fu-Cheng</u> <u>Liang</u>, Porscha Weaver and Dirgha Vora, entitled "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Rescue the Phenotype in a Fly Model of Parkinson's disease", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
- 2019 Spring and 2019 Fall, Award EURECA project (\$500) with student, <u>Fu-Cheng</u> <u>Liang</u> and Prisca Mbonu, entitled "Directed Evolution of Membrane Protein Chaperone to Ameliorate Protein Aggregation-Associated Diseases", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
- 2019 Award UGROW project (\$500) with students, <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u>, Prisca Mbonu, Christopher Sun, Dolly Mombeyarara, and Cheslin Maloney, entitled "Apply Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Protein Aggregation Associated Diseases", Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University
- 2018 Award UGROW project (\$500) with students, <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u>, Kameron Shrum and Tyler Jones, entitled" Decipher the Mechanism of Protein Targeting Machinery in Chloroplast" Department of Chemistry, Midwestern State University

#### **Research and Development Funding**

• Award MSU Fall 2024 intramural grant with the total amount of \$9350 for the project titled "Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperones as Therapeutics to Prevent and Disrupt Protein Aggregation in Parkinson's disease"

- Award MSU Spring 2024 Office of Sponsored Programs and Research (OSPR) equipment grant with the total amount of \$24,950 for the purchasing of LM10 Microfluidizer
- Award 2023 Robert A. Welch Equipment grant (Grant No: Q-AO-0007-20230405) with a total amount of \$75,000 for one year as a co-Principal Investigator. This grant is intended to improve a department's capabilities in chemical research and to give faculty and students a richer laboratory experience.
- Award Robert A. Welch departmental research fund (ID# AO-0001) with an annual direct costs of \$45,000 during 2023 2026 as a co-Principal Investigator. This grant is used to support chemistry faculty's research as well as provide scholarship for chemistry students to sponsor their undergraduate research program at MSU.
- Award 2023 American Chemical Society (ACS) Summer Experiences for the Economically Disadvantaged (SEED) grant with a total amount of \$3200 as a co-Principal Investigator. Project SEED gives grants to ACS certified institutions and industry who are able to recruit high school students to do summer research in chemistry. Project entitles "Biophysical and Biochemical Characterization of a Familial Mutant Protein in Parkinson Disease".
- Award 2022 Intramural Proposal Development Grants program from MSU's Office of Sponsored Programs and Research. This grant is used to prepare the grant proposal and submit to an external funding agency.
- Award Texas Legislature-funded JAMP undergraduate school to support students to apply for medical school and provide the guidance to apply for the JAMP.
- Award 2017 MCOSM internal research funding for the proposal entitled "Protein Targeting in Chloroplast".
- Award 2017 MCOSME startup funding \$10,000 per year for three years

# HONOR AND TRAINING PROGRAM

2024	Award MCSOME Favorite Chemistry Professor
2020-2021	Faculty member of the year, Student Government Association, Midwestern
	State University
2020	Tri-Beta Professor of Month, Midwestern State University
2020	MCOSME faculty research award, Midwestern State University
2015	2015 Biophysical Society Educational Committee Travel Award
2004-2011	Research Assistantship for participating in NIH project in College of Medicine
	Texas A&M Health Science Center
2007/04	Awarded "Junior Category 2nd Placement for Poster Presentation" by 12th

Annual Student Research Symposium in College of Medicine Texas A&M Health Science Center

2003/03 Awarded Travel Fellowship provided by "Glycoscience Research Education Foundation", and amount: NT30000 2002/06 Awarded "Master Thesis Excellent Poster Presentation" by Department of Chemistry, National Taiwan University 2000/09 Award "Ministry of Education Scholarship for Graduate Students" by Department of Chemistry, National Taiwan University for two years 2000/09 Traineeships for participating in Academia Sinica program project "Carbohydrate Chemistry and Biochemistry of Glycoconjugates" Participated in "Biotechnology Core Techniques" in National Taiwan 2000/07 University 1999/09 Traineeships for participating in National Science Council undergraduate student's research project "Excited state double proton transfer" 1999/07 Ranked first in the class of 45 students; therefore, has been awarded "THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD" by the National Chung Cheng University via the recommendation of the Department of Chemistry and Administration, and amount: NT30000

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- Christopher Sun, Leah Slade, Prisca Mbonu, Hunter Ordner, Connor Mitchell, Matthew Mitchell and <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u>, (2024) *The FEBS Journal*, **291**, 158-176, "Membrane Protein Chaperone and Sodium Chloride Modulate the Kinetics and Morphology of Amyloid Beta Aggregation" *Impact Factor* = 5.6
- Alex Siegel, Camille Z. McAvoy, Vinh Lam, <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u>, Gerard Kroon, Emily Miaou, Patrick Griffin, Peter E. Wright, Shu-ou Shan (2020) *Journal of Molecular Biology*, 432, 166708, "A Disorder-to-Order Transition Activates an ATP-Independent Membrane Protein Chaperone." *Impact Factor = 5.4; Citation = 6*
- Peng Wang, <u>Fu-Cheng Liang</u>. Daniel Wittmann, Alex Siegel, Shu-ou Shan, and Bernhard Grimm (2018) *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America*, 115, E3588-E3596, "Chloroplast SRP43 Acts as a Chaperone for Glutamyl-tRNA Reductase, the Rate-limiting Enzyme in Tetrapyrrole Biosynthesis." *Impact Factor = 11.2; Citation = 48*
- 4. Fu-Cheng Liang, Gerard J. Kroon, Camille McAvoy, Chris Chi, Peter Wright and Shu-ou

Shan, (2016) Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, 113(12), E1615-E1624 "Conformational Dynamics of a Membrane Protein Chaperone Enables Spatially-regulated Substrate Capture and Release." Impact Factor = 11.2; Citation = 41

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- 14. Fu-Cheng Liang, Dianna Daniel and Ryan Smith, "Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone as a Treatment to Ameliorate Tau Protein Aggregation"

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- Andrea Granados Millan and Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) Poster Presentation, MSU 23<sup>th</sup> Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Forum, "Exploring the Impact of Salt on Protein Aggregation Kinetics in Familial Alzheimer's Disease Mutations"
- 2. George Liang (2024) **Oral Presentation**, UGROW workshop at Midwestern State University, "Principle and Hands-on Operations of Fluorescence Spectroscopy"

- Andrea Granados Millan and Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) Oral Presentation, 19<sup>th</sup> Annual UGROW Symposium at Midwestern State University, "Exploring the Impact of Salt on Protein Aggregation Kinetics in Familial Alzheimer's Disease Mutations"
- George Liang (2024) Oral Presentation, Invited Speaker to MSU Honors class (MWSU 2003), entitled "Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent and Disrupt Protein Aggregation in Alzheimer's disease"
- 5. Sydney Macdonald, Zaniya Medlin and Dr. Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) Poster presentation, MSU 22<sup>nd</sup> Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Forum, "Deciphering the Binding Profiles of Lecanemab, Aducanumab, and Gantenerumab to Various Amyloid-Beta Forms: Insights into Efficacy and Side Effects in Alzheimer's disease Clinical Trials"
- Crae Jackson and Dr. Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) Poster presentation, MSU 22<sup>nd</sup> Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Forum, "Unraveling the Bi-directional Relationship between Periodontitis and Diabetes: Strategies for Effective Treatment (Literature Review)"
- Kara Rodgers and Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) Poster presentation, MSU 22<sup>nd</sup> Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Forum, "Membrane Protein Chaperone Modulates the Kinetics and Morphology of Tau Aggregation: A Potential Treatment for Alzheimer's disease"
- 8. Andrew Vann and Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) **Oral presentation**, MSU 22<sup>nd</sup> Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Forum, "Leveraging membrane protein chaperones to mitigate familial mutant amyloid beta aggregation: Prospective therapeutic approach for early-onset Alzheimer's disease"
- 9. Kara Rodgers and Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) **Poster presentation**, 8th Annual Symposium on Brain Health at Texas Tech HSC, "Membrane Protein Chaperone Modulates the Kinetics and Morphology of Tau Aggregation: A Potential Treatment for Alzheimer's disease"
- 10. Andrew Vann and Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) Poster presentation, 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium on Brain Health at Texas Tech HSC, "Leveraging membrane protein chaperones to mitigate familial mutant amyloid beta aggregation: Prospective therapeutic approach for early-onset Alzheimer's disease"
- 11. Isabella Makelaar and Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) **Poster presentation**, 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium on Brain Health at Texas Tech HSC, "Utilizing membrane protein chaperone to prevent and disrupt alpha synuclein protein aggregation in Parkinson's disease" (Best poster presentation award)
- 12. Connor Mitchell, and Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) **Poster Presentation,** Great Plains Honors Conference "Membrane Protein Chaperone Affects the Kinetics and Morphology of Amyloid Beta Aggregation" (Best poster presentation award)

- 13. Kara Rodgers and Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) Poster presentation, American Chemical Society (ACS) National Meeting in New Orleans "Membrane Protein Chaperone Modulates the Kinetics and Morphology of Tau Aggregation: A Potential Treatment for Alzheimer's disease"
- 14. Andrew Vann and Fu-Cheng Liang (2024) **Poster presentation**, American Chemical Society (ACS) National Meeting in New Orleans, "Leveraging membrane protein chaperones to mitigate familial mutant amyloid beta aggregation: Prospective therapeutic approach for early-onset Alzheimer's disease"
- 15. Abigail Matthew and Dr. Fu-Cheng Liang (2023) Oral presentation, MSU 21<sup>st</sup> Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Forum, "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent and Disrupt Familial Mutant of Alpha Synuclein Protein Aggregation in Parkinson's disease"
- 16. Abigail Guinan and Dr. Fu-Cheng Liang (2023) Poster presentation, MSU 21<sup>st</sup> Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Forum, "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Disrupt the Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation: A Potential Treatment for Parkinson's disease"
- 17. Kara Rodgers and Fu-Cheng Liang (2023) Poster presentation, American Chemical Society (ACS) Southwest Regional Meeting (SWRM), "Membrane Protein Chaperone Modulates the Kinetics and Morphology of Tau Aggregation: A Potential Treatment for Alzheimer's disease"
- 18. Andrew Vann and Fu-Cheng Liang (2023) Poster presentation, American Chemical Society (ACS) Southwest Regional Meeting (SWRM), "Leveraging membrane protein chaperones to mitigate familial mutant amyloid beta aggregation: Prospective therapeutic approach for early-onset Alzheimer's disease"
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- 20. George Liang (2023) **Oral Presentation**, UGROW workshop at Midwestern State University, "Principle and Hands-on Operations of Fluorescence Spectroscopy"
- 21. Abigail Matthew and Fu-Cheng Liang (2023) **Oral Presentation**, 18<sup>th</sup> Annual UGROW Symposium at Midwestern State University, "Membrane Protein Chaperone Prevents and Disrupts Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation: A Potential Treatment For Parkinson's disease"

- 22. Hunter Ordner, Chris Sun, Connor Mitchell, Matthew Mitchell, and Fu-Cheng Liang (2023) Poster Presentation, 67<sup>th</sup> Biophysical Society Annual Meeting in San Diego "Membrane Protein Chaperone Affects the Kinetics and Morphology of Amyloid Beta Aggregation"
- 23. Kara Rodgers and Fu-Cheng Liang (2023) **Poster presentation**, MSU 20<sup>th</sup> Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity forum "Membrane Protein Chaperone Modulates the Kinetics and Morphology of Tau Aggregation: A Potential Treatment for Alzheimer's disease"
- 24. Abigail Guinan and Fu-Cheng Liang (2023) **Poster presentation**, MSU 20<sup>th</sup> Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity forum "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent Familial Mutant of Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation in Parkinson Disease"
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- 26. Abigail Matthew, Abigail Guinan and Fu-Cheng Liang (2022) Poster presentation, MSU 19<sup>th</sup> Undergraduate Research & Creative Activity forum "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent Familial Mutant of Alpha-Synuclein Protein Aggregation in Parkinson Disease"
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- 32. Christopher Sun and Fu-Cheng Liang (2021) **Poster Presentation**, Midwest Regional Undergraduate Research, Scholarly and Creative Activity Conference "Applying Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Amyloid Beta Aggregation"

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- 34. Christopher Sun and Fu-Cheng Liang (2021) **Poster Presentation**, Virtual UGRCAF at Midwestern State University "Applying Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Amyloid Beta Aggregation" (First place in poster presentation)
- 35. Leah Slade and Fu-Cheng Liang (2020) **Poster Presentation**, Virtual UGRCAF at Midwestern State University "Concentration of Sodium Chloride Determines the Aggregation Kinetics and Morphology of Amyloid Beta"
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- 37. Dianna Daniel, Blanca Turner, and George Liang (2020) **Oral Presentation**, UGROW Symposium at Midwestern State University "Utilizing Membrane Protein Chaperone to Prevent Amyloid Plaques and Neurofibrillary Tangle Formation in Alzheimer's Disease"
- 38. George Liang (2020) **Oral Presentation**, UGROW workshop at Midwestern State University "Principles of Fluorescence Spectroscopy and Protein Purification"
- 39. Shermali Ratnasinghe and George Liang (2020) **Poster Presentation**, Abilene Christian University virtual undergraduate research festival "Identification of Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Protein Aggregation of Alzheimer's disease"
- 40. Dianna Daniel, Ryan Smith and George Liang (2020) **Poster Presentation**, Virtual UGRCAF at Midwestern State University "Utilize Membrane Protein Chaperone as a Treatment to Ameliorate Tau Protein Aggregation"
- 41. Dirgha Vora, Porscha Weaver, George Liang and Jon Scales (2020) **Poster Presentation**, Virtual UGRCAF at Midwestern State University "Using Membrane Protein Chaperone to Rescue the Phenotype in a Fly model of Parkinson's disease"
- 42. Prisca Mbonu, Christopher Sun and Fu-Cheng Liang (2020) Oral Presentation, National Conference on Undergraduate Research in Bozeman, Montana (cancelled due to COVID19) "Applying Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Alzheimer's Disease"
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- 46. Shermali Ratnasinghe and George Liang (2019) **Poster Presentation**, UGRCAF at Midwestern State University "Utilize Membrane Protein Chaperone to Suppress the Amyloid Beta Aggregation" (First place in poster presentation)
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- 49. Prisca Mbonu and George Liang (2019) **Oral Presentation**, UGRCAF at Midwestern State University "Directed Evolution of Membrane Protein Chaperone to Ameliorate Protein Aggregation-associated Disease"
- 50. Dolly Mombeyarara, Cheslin Maloney and George Liang (2019) **Oral Presentation**, UGRCAF at Midwestern State University " Applying Membrane Protein Chaperone as Therapeutics to Prevent Parkinson's Disease"
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- 55. Kameron Shrum, Tyler Jones and F.C. Liang (2019) **Poster Presentation**, Texas Undergraduate Research Day at the Capital "Deciphering the Mechanism of Protein Targeting Machinery in Chloroplasts"
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- 59. <u>F.C. Liang</u>, Gerard J. Kroon, Camille McAvoy, Chris Chi, Peter Wright and Shu-ou (2017) Oral Presentation, 22<sup>nd</sup> Biophysics Conference in I-Shou University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan "Conformational Dynamics of a Membrane Protein Chaperone Enables Spatially-regulated Substrate Capture and Release"
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