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### Education

Ph.D. Candidate, Microbiology

2015-Current

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Ithaca, NY, US

- Major advisor: Martin Wiedmann, Department of Food Science
- Minor advisors: Michael Stanhope (Genomics); Daniel Buckley (Soil Science)

**Exchange Ph.D. student** 

2019-Current

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Cambridge, MA, US

· Advisor: Otto Cordero, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

M.S., Environmental Sciences

2011-2014

**PEKING UNIVERSITY** 

Beijing, China

• Advisor: Yi Huang, Department of Environmental Sciences

**B.S.**, Ecology

2007-2011

University of Science & Technology Beijing

Beijing, China

## Research Interests\_

Microbial evolution and ecology / Microbial biogeography / Environmental microbiology / Evolutionary and ecological genomics / Population genetics / Microbial genomics / Foodborne pathogens

# Research Experience \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Graduate Research Associate**

2016-Current

FIELD OF MICROBIOLOGY, CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Ithaca, NY, US

• Lead projects (i) Biogeography and microevolution of edaphic Listeria in natural environment across US, (ii) Micoevolutionary pattern of antimcrobial-resistant Salmonella enterica, and (iii) Influence of landscape on biogeography of E. coli in watershed.

Research Associate 2014-2015

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES, PEKING UNIVERSITY

Beijing, China

Led project Biogeography and assembly of bacterial communities in lakes on Yungui Plateau, China.

# Graduate Research Assistant

2011-2014

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES, PEKING UNIVERSITY

Beijing, China

• Involved in projects (i) Toxicity and ecology of oil contaminated soil in oil fields of China, (ii) Global Environment Outlook 5, and (iii) Regionalization of Dianchi Basin, China.

# **Publications**

- [1] **Liao J**, Orsi RH, Carroll LM, Kovac J, Ou H, Zhang H, Wiedmann M. 2018. Serotype-specific evolutionary patterns of antimicrobial-resistant *Salmonella enterica*. BMC Evol Biol 19:132
- [2] Huang Y, Wang J, Chen H, **Liao J**, Huang M. Oil contamination and toxicity assessment of soil in main oil fields in China. Science Press, Beijing, China. June 2018 (Book in Chinese)
- [3] **Liao J**, Wiedmann M, Kovac J. 2017. Genetic stability and evolution of the *sigB* allele, used for *Listeria sensu stricto* subtyping and phylogenetic inference. Appl Environ Microbi ol 83:e00306-17
- [4] **Liao J**, Cao X, Wang J, Zhao L, Sun J, Jiang D, Huang Y. 2017. Similar community assembly mechanisms underlie similar biogeography of rare and abundant bacteria in lakes on Yungui Plateau, China. Limnol Oceanogr 2:723-735
- [5] Cao X, Wang J, **Liao J**, Gao Z, Jiang D, Sun J, Zhao L, Huang Y, Luan S. 2016. Bacterioplankton communities response to key environmental variables in plateau freshwater lake ecosystems: a structural equation modeling analysis. Sci Total Environ 580:457-467

- [6] **Liao J**, Zhao L, Cao X, Sun J, Gao Z, Wang J, Jiang D, Fan H, Huang Y. 2016. *Cyanobacteria* are assembled via niche process influenced by water physicochemical property, lake morphology and watershed land-use. Sci Rep 6: 36357
- [7] Liao J, Cao X, Zhao L, Wang J, Gao Z, Wang MC, Huang Y. 2016. The importance of neutral and niche processes for bacterial community assembly differs between habitat generalists and specialists. FEMS Microbiol Ecol 92: fiw174
- [8] Wang J, Cao X, Chai L, **Liao J**, Huang Y, Tang X. 2016. Oxidative damage of naphthenic acids on the *Eisenia fetida* earthworm. Environ Toxico 31:1337-1343
- [9] **Liao J**, Wang J, Jiang D, Wang M, Huang Y. 2015. Long-term oil contamination causes similar changes in microbial communities of two distinct soils. Appl Microbiol Biotechnol 99: 10299-10310
- [10] **Liao J**, Wang J, Huang Y. 2015. Bacterial community features are shaped by geographic location, physicochemical properties and oil contamination of soil in main oil fields of China. Microb Ecol 70:380-389
- [11] Cao X, Wang, J, **Liao J**, Huang Y, Sun J. 2015. The threshold responses of phytoplankton community to nutrient gradient in a shallow eutrophic lake. Ecol Indic 61:258-267
- [12] Wang J, Cao X, Chai L, **Liao J**, Huang Y, Tang X. 2015. Quantification and characterization of naphthenic acids from soil of oil exploring areas in China by GC/MS. Anal Methods 7:2149-2154
- [13] Wang J, Cao X, **Liao J**, Huang Y, Tang X. 2015. Carcinogenic potential of PAHs in oil-contaminated soils from the main oil fields across China. Environ Sci Pollut R 22:10902-10909
- [14] Yang Y, Wang J, **Liao J**, Xie S, Huang Y. 2015. Abundance and diversity of soil petroleum hydrocarbon egrading microbial communities in oil exploring areas. Appl Microbiol Biotechnol 99:1935-1946
- [15] Yang Y, Wang J, **Liao J**, Xie S, Huang Y. 2014. Distribution of naphthalene dioxygenase genes in crude oil contaminated soils. Microb Ecol 68:785-793
- [16] **Liao J**, Cao X, Wang J, Huang Y. 2014. Basin-scale aquatic ecosystem health assessment with composite indices of chemistry and aquatic biota: a case study of Dianchi Lake. Acta Sci Circumst 34(7):1845-1852 (in Chinese)
- [17] Liao J, Huang Y. 2013. Global trend in aquatic ecosystem research from 1992 to 2011. Scientometrics 98:1203-1219
- [18] **Liao J**, Huang Y. 2013. Research progress on using index of biological integrity to assess aquatic ecosystem health. Chin J Appl Ecol 24(1):295-302 (in Chinese)
- [19] **Liao J**, Wen H, Su Y, Cao X, Huang Y. 2012. The assessment for habitat security of aquatic ecosystem: a case study on Taizi River sub-basin, Benxi River. Ecol & Environ Sci 21(7):1277-128 (in Chinese)

# **Presentations**

### Microbiome, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Meeting

Jul., 2019

POSTER PRESENTER

Cold Spring Harbor, NY, US

• Comparative genomics reveals different population structures associated with host and geographic origin in antimicrobial-resistant Salmonella enterica

## **Microbiology Graduate Seminar, Cornell University**

*Mar., 2019* 

**ORAL PRESENTER** 

Ithaca, NY, US

• Nationwide distribution of *Listeria* in soil from natural environment

### **Biology of Genomes, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Meeting**

May, 2018

POSTER PRESENTER

Cold Spring Harbor, NY, US

• Serotype-specific evolutionary pattern of antimicrobial-resistant Salmonella enterica.

#### **Microbiology Graduate Seminar, Cornell University**

Apr., 2018

**ORAL PRESENTER** 

Ithaca, NY, US

• Serotype-specific evolutionary pattern of antimicrobial-resistant Salmonella enterica

#### **Ecological & Evolutionary Genomics, Gordon Research Conference**

Jul., 2017

POSTER PRESENTER

Biddeford, ME, US

• Genetic stability and evolution of the sigB allele used for Listeria subtyping and phylogenetic inference

## Microbiology Graduate Seminar, Cornell University

Mar., 2017

ORAL PRESENTER

Ithaca, NY, US

• Genetic stability and evolution of sigB allele of Listeria sensu stricto

#### M.S. Dissertation Seminar; Peking University

**ORAL PRESENTER** 

• The physicochemical property and microbial structure of oil contaminated soils

Beijing, China

Jun., 2014

Jul., 2012

# The $6^{\it th}$ SNU-PKU-KU Environmental Workshop; Seoul National University

**ORAL PRESENTER** 

Seoul, South Korea

• Conservation of Chinese ecosystems: strategy and challenge

#### The $6^{\it th}$ TU-USTB Joint Meeting on Sciences & Engineering Design; Tohoku University

Jul., 2010

ORAL PRESENTER

Sendai, Japan

Beijing, China

2008

• The influence of climate change on human ecology

## Reviewer Activities \_\_\_\_\_

**Journals** Int Biodeterior Biodegradation / Scientometrics / Fund Appl Limnol / Ecotox Environ Safe

### Skills\_\_\_

**Biology** Microbial isolation and culture / Molecular biology (DNA) / Whole genome sequencing / Comparative genomics

**Bioinformatics** Programming (Python) / Multivariate analysis (R)

**Languages** English, Chinese

# Teaching Experience \_\_\_\_\_

Teaching assistant Feb.-May, 2018

BIOMI2900 GENERAL MICROBIOLOGY, CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Ithaca, NY, US

Teaching assistant Sep. 2011-Jan. 2012

ENVIRONMENTAL ECOLOGY, PEKING UNIVERSITY

# Leadership & Outreach \_\_\_\_\_

Social chair, Field of Microbiology Students (FoMS), Cornell University 2017-2018

**Student representative**, The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Retreat of the Center for Infection & Pathobiology, Cornell

Apr. 2017

University

Vice-captain, PKUI Team, Solar Decathlon China 2012-2013

**Vice-president**, College Student Union, Peking University 2012-2013

Vice-president, College Student Union, University of Science & Technology Beijing2009-2010Volunteer, Beijing Olympic GamesJul.-Aug./2008

## Honors & Awards

**Graduate Research Assistantship**, Cornell University 2016-Current

Conference & Research Travel Grants, Cornell University 2017-2019

**Cornell Graduate Fellowship**, Cornell University 2015-2016

**Graduate Research Assistantship**, Peking University 2011-2014

Sander Scholarship, Peking University

**Academic Innovation Award**, Peking University

**Honor Student for Excellent Academic Records**, Peking University 2012

The  $2^{nd}$  Prize of Academic Innovation Contest, Peking University 2012

National Scholarship, China 2010

National Inspirational Scholarship, China 2009

**Freshmen Scholarship**, University of Science & Technology Beijing

Student Innovation Program Scholarship, University of Science & Technology Beijing