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## Current professional situation

*Jan 2023* Postdoctoral Fellow,  
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Team: Molecular and Translational Oncology

## Professional experience

*Nov 2021* Visiting scholar, Pr. Gabriel Malouf  
*– Oct 2022* Department of Cancer and Functional Genomics, IGBMC, 67400 Illkirch, France  
**Comprehensive characterization of rare urothelial and renal carcinomas**

*Sep 2019* PhD in Bioinformatics, Pr. Fangrong Yan  
*– Dec 2022* Research Center of Biostatistics, China Pharmaceutical University, Nanjing, China  
**Multi-omics integrative profiling in urothelial carcinoma characterization**

*Feb 2018* Visiting scholar, Pr. Xiaoping Su  
*– Jun 2018* Department of Bioinformatics, MD Anderson Cancer Center, 77030 Texas, USA  
**Advanced multi-omics data analysis techniques in oncogenomics**

*Sep 2016* Master in Biostatistics, Pr. Fangrong Yan  
*– Jun 2019* Research Center of Biostatistics, China Pharmaceutical University, Nanjing, China  
**Joint modeling of longitudinal and survival data for ovarian cancer**

*Sep 2012* Bachelor in Management  
*– Jul 2016* Faculty of science, China Pharmaceutical University, Nanjing, China  
**Computing skills in medical information management and system**

## Diplomas

12/2022 PhD (Bioinformatics), China Pharmaceutical University  
06/2019 MSc (Biostatistics), China Pharmaceutical University  
07/2016 BSc (Medical Information Management and System), China Pharmaceutical University

## Language

Mandarin, Chinese (native)  
English (professional fluency)  
Français (elementary; A1)

## Skills and competencies

Proficient in R and Python for statistical analysis, multi-omics integration, and workflow development; experienced with Adobe Illustrator and MS Office for scientific visualization and reporting. Demonstrated strengths in rigorous data analysis, scientific writing, multidisciplinary collaboration, project coordination, and leading complex multi-omics studies.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

### I. Contributions to science

<b>Total PubMed Publications</b>	54
<b>h-index</b>	21
<b>i10-Index</b>	36
<b>Citations</b> (as of 01/01/2026 from Google Scholar)	2284
<b>Total first-author / co-first-author papers</b>	39
<b>Total co-corresponding author papers</b>	6
<b>Patent</b>	3
<b>High-Impact Publications</b> (IF > 10, including roles as first and co-first author)	14
<b>Featured in Journals (IF &gt; 10):</b> <i>Cell Reports Medicine, Nature Communications, Clinical Cancer Research, Genome Biology, Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer, EbioMedicine, Clinical and Translational Medicine, American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine, Critical Care</i>	
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### II. Thesis

#### Molecular Classification of Urothelial Carcinomas

- **Supervisor:** Pr. YAN Fangrong (co-directed by Pr. SU Xiaoping)
- **Defend date:** 29/09/2022

### III. Scientific contribution to the research community

Since my PhD training, I have led the development of **FigureYa**, a standardized visualization and analysis framework for biomedical research, published in *iMetaMed* and selected for the cover of the first issue of the journal in September 2025. I am the first author and principal contributor, having developed and curated more than 300 reproducible tutorials covering biostatistics, bioinformatics, and data visualization across bulk, single-cell, and spatial omics analyses. Each tutorial is designed to reproduce a specific analysis or figure from peer-reviewed studies using annotated code and demonstration datasets, enabling direct reuse by researchers with heterogeneous computational backgrounds. This sustained effort reflects a long-term commitment to reproducible research practices, methodological standardization, and capacity building in translational and medical research. Interactive browser available at: <https://ying-ge.github.io/FigureYa/>.

### IV. Publications

#### • Ten representative original articles

##### A) **Computational Oncology: Unraveling Cancer Heterogeneity and Immunotherapy Insights**

1. **Lu X\***, Vano YA\*, Su X\*, Verkarre V, Sun CM, Cheng W, Xu L, Yan F, Kotti S, Fridman WH, Sautes-Fridman C, Oudard S, Malouf GG. Stratification system with dual human endogenous retroviruses for predicting immunotherapy efficacy in metastatic clear-cell renal cell carcinoma. **J Immunother Cancer**. 2025;13(1):e010386. **\*1st co-authors (IF: 10.3)**
2. **Lu X\***, Vano YA\*, Su X\*, Verkarre V, Sun CM, Cheng W, Xu L, Yan F, Kotti S, Fridman WH, Sautes-Fridman C, Oudard S, Malouf GG. Enhanced efficacy of ipilimumab plus nivolumab in angiogenic subtypes of metastatic clear-cell renal cell carcinoma. **NPJ Precis Oncol**. 2025;9(1):134. **\*1st co-authors (IF: 7.9)**
3. **Lu X\***, Vano YA\*, Su X\*, Helleux A, Lindner V, Mouawad R, Spano JP, Rouprêt M, Compérat E, Verkarre V, Sun CM, Bennamoun M, Lang H, Barthelemy P, Cheng W, Xu L, Davidson I, Yan F, Fridman WH, Sautes-Fridman C, Oudard S, Malouf GG. Silencing of genes by promoter hypermethylation shapes tumor microenvironment and resistance to immunotherapy in clear-cell renal cell carcinomas. **Cell Rep Med**. 2023;4(11):101287. **\*1st co-authors (IF: 14.3)**
4. **Lu X\***, Vano Y\*, Helleux A\*, Su X, Lindner V, Davidson G, Mouawad R, Spano JP, Rouprêt M, Elaidi R, Compérat E, Verkarre V, Sun C, Chevreau C, Bennamoun M, Lang H, Tricard T, Cheng W, Xu L, Davidson I, Yan F, Fridman WH, Sautes-Fridman C, Oudard S, Malouf GG. An Enhancer Demethylator Phenotype Converged to Immune Dysfunction and Resistance to Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors in Clear-Cell Renal Cell Carcinomas. **Clin Cancer Res**. 2023;29(7):1279-1291. **\*1st co-authors (IF: 11.5)**

- **Editorial:** Zhou M, Kim WY. Viewing RCC with a DNA Methylation Lens ENHANCES Understanding of ICI Resistance. **Clin Cancer Res.** 2023;29(7):1170-1172.
- 5. Su X\*, **Lu X\***, Bazai SK\*, Dainese L\*, Verschuur A, Dumont B, Mouawad R, Xu L, Cheng W, Yan F, Irtan S, Lindner V, Paillard C, Le Bouc Y, Coulomb A, Malouf GG. Delineating the interplay between oncogenic pathways and immunity in anaplastic Wilms tumors. **Nat Commun.** 2023;14(1):7884. **\*1st co-authors (IF: 16.6)**
- 6. Su X\*, **Lu X\***, Bazai SK\*, Comp  rat E, Mouawad R, Yao H, Roupr  t M, Spano JP, Khayat D, Davidson I, Tannir NN, Yan F, Malouf GG. Comprehensive integrative profiling of upper tract urothelial carcinomas. **Genome Biol.** 2021;22(1):7. **\*1st co-authors (thesis-relevant, IF: 12.3)**

## B) Computational Methodology and Innovation: Advancing Cancer Subtype Classification

- 7. **Lu X**, Meng J, Zhou Y, Jiang L, Yan F. MOVICS: an R package for multi-omics integration and visualization in cancer subtyping. **Bioinformatics.** 2021;36:5539-5541. **(thesis-relevant, IF: 5.8)**
  - **Availability and implementation:** <https://github.com/xlucpu/MOVICS>
  - **Citation:** 197
  - **GitHub:** 144 stars and 45 forks
- 8. Zhu J, Zhu Y, Wang X, Cheng W, Wang S, Yang J, Wang W, Wang Y, Meng J\*, **Lu X\***, Yan F\*. MOVICSshiny: An interactive website for multi-omics integration and visualisation in cancer subtyping. **Clin Transl Med.** 2024;14(3):e1606. **\*co-correspondence (IF: 10.6)**

## C) Quantitative Oncology: Statistical and Epidemiological Insights into Cancer Outcomes

- 9. **Lu X**, Bernhard JC, Margue G, et al. Racial differences in kidney cancer histology and outcome: A nationwide study from the UroCCR Cohort. **Cancer.** 2025;131(20):e70120. **(IF: 5.0)**
  - **Conference:** ASCO Genitourinary Cancers Symposium 2025, San Francisco, USA (oral presentation).
  - **Editorial:** Infield J and George D.J. What we can learn from a national tumor pathology registry. **Cancer.** 2025;131: e70221.
- 10. **Lu X**, Tawanaie Pour Sedehi N, Su X, Yan F, Alhalabi O, Tannir NM, Malouf GG. Racial Disparities in MiT Family Translocation Renal Cell Carcinoma. **Oncologist.** 2023;28(11):1009-1013. **(IF: 5.8)**
  - **Editorial:** Campbell P, Gebrael G, Agarwal N. Racial Disparities and Molecular Insights in Translocation Renal Cell Carcinoma: Advancing Understanding and Treatment Approaches. **Oncologist.** 2023;28(11):925-927.

## • Additional original articles

- 11. **Lu X\***, Li K\*, Li Z\*, Lin A\*, Zhao L\*, Shen R\*, Xu Z\*, Gao J\*, Lv D, Zhang Y, Ye T, Shen J, Chen Y, Huang H, Hao Z, Zeng D, Wang H, Guo S, Wang W, Xiong Y, Li Y, Li H, Gao J, Liu Q, Wei B, Shi J, Cheng S, Li G, Tang Y, Lin E, Xu H, Feng G, He Y, Sun Y, Liu X, Wang Y, Song W, Song J, Tian S, Zhang Y, Zhang J, Xu Z, Song C, Zhang Y, Wu H, Gao C, Hu E, Yang C, Lou J, Wang D, Wang X, Luo P, Yu G and Ge Y. FigureYa: A Standardized Visualization Framework for Enhancing Biomedical Data Interpretation and Research Efficiency. **iMetaMed.** 2025;1:e70005. **\*1st co-authors**
- 12. **Lu X\***, Vano YA\*, Su X\*, Verkarre V, Sun CM, Cheng W, Xu L, Yan F, Kotti S, Fridman WH, Sautes-Fridman C, Oudard S, Malouf GG. Enhanced efficacy of ipilimumab plus nivolumab in angiogenic subtypes of metastatic clear-cell renal cell carcinoma. **NPJ Precis Oncol.** 2025;9(1):134. **\*1st co-authors (IF: 7.9)**
- 13. **Lu X\***, Meng J\*, Wang H\*, Zhou Y, Zhou J, Ruan X, Chen Y, Ye Y, Su L, Fan X, Yan H, Jiang L, Yan F. DNA replication stress stratifies prognosis and enables exploitable therapeutic vulnerabilities of HBV-associated hepatocellular carcinoma: An *in-silico* precision oncology strategy. **The Innovation Medicine.** 2023;1(1), 100014. **\*1st co-authors**
- 14. **Lu X\***, Meng J\*, Su L\*, Jiang L, Wang H, Zhu J, Huang M, Cheng W, Xu L, Ruan X, Yeh S, Liang C, Yan F. Multi-omics consensus ensemble refines the classification of muscle-invasive bladder cancer with stratified prognosis, tumour microenvironment and distinct sensitivity to frontline therapies. **Clin Transl Med.** 2021;11(12):e601. **\*1st co-authors (research letter, thesis-relevant, IF: 10.6)**
- 15. **Lu X\***, Meng J\*, Zhu J\*, Zhou Y, Jiang L, Wang Y, Wen W, Liang C, Yan F. Prognosis stratification and personalized treatment in bladder cancer through a robust immune gene pair-based signature. **Clin**

**Transl Med.** 2021;11(6):e453. **\*1st co-authors (IF: 10.6)**

16. **Lu X\***, Ji C\*, Jiang L\*, Zhu Y, Zhou Y, Meng J, Gao J, Lu T, Ye J, Yan F. Tumour microenvironment-based molecular profiling reveals ideal candidates for high-grade serous ovarian cancer immunotherapy. **Cell Prolif.** 2021;54(3):e12979. **\*1st co-authors (IF: 8.5)**
17. **Lu X\***, Zhou Y\*, Meng J\*, Jiang L, Gao J, Fan X, Chen Y, Cheng Y, Wang Y, Zhang B, Yan H, Yan F. Epigenetic age acceleration of cervical squamous cell carcinoma converged to human papillomavirus 16/18 expression, immunoactivation, and favourable prognosis. **Clin Epigenetics.** 2020;12(1):23. **\*1st co-authors (IF: 6.7)**
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22. **Lu X**, Jiang L, Zhang L, Zhu Y, Hu W, Wang J, Ruan X, Xu Z, Meng X, Gao J, Su X, Yan F. Immune Signature-Based Subtypes of Cervical Squamous Cell Carcinoma Tightly Associated with Human Papillomavirus Type 16 Expression, Molecular Features, and Clinical Outcome. **Neoplasia.** 2019;21(6):591-601. **(IF: 4.8)**
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Specific epigenetic age acceleration patterns among four molecular subtypes of gastric cancer and their prognostic value. **Epigenomics**. 2021;13(10):767-778. **\*1st co-authors (IF: 2.5)**

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35. Zhou Y\*, **Lu X\***, Meng J\*, Wang X\*, Zhang Q, Chen J, Wang Q, Yan F, Li X. Neo-adjuvant radiation therapy provides a survival advantage in T3-T4 nodal positive gastric and gastroesophageal junction adenocarcinoma: a SEER database analysis. **BMC Cancer**. 2021;21(1):771. **\*1st co-authors (IF: 4.3)**
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## V. Economical and clinical transfer

### • Economic evaluation

I have contributed to the development of three Chinese patent applications related to molecular classification systems for genitourinary tumors, reflecting my involvement in translational bioinformatics and clinically oriented algorithm development. These include:

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| 2023 | <b>China Patent Application</b> , # CN116246709A - A molecular classification model for renal clear cell carcinoma based on multi-omics data and its establishment method (co-inventor)             |
| 2023 | <b>China Patent Application</b> , # CN112530581A - A system of immune molecular classification for patients with prostate cancer and its applications (co-inventor)                                 |
| 2021 | <b>China Patent Application</b> , # CN112735521A - An immune classification system for guiding the selection of patients suitable for anti-PD-1/PD-L1 immunotherapy in bladder cancer (co-inventor) |

### • Clinical evaluation

My involvement in the BIONIKK trial (NCT02960906), the first prospective trial stratifying metastatic ccRCC patients by transcriptomic subgroups for immunotherapy versus targeted therapy, reflects my commitment to advancing precision oncology. I contributed to study design, multi-omics analyses, and the interpretation of biomarkers of treatment response, with a particular focus on epigenetic determinants. This work led to the identification of the tumor enhancer demethylation (TED) phenotype, the development of the epigenetic silencing index (iMES) predictive of primary resistance to first-line immunotherapy, and the implementation of simplified molecular stratification frameworks, including a dual genomic feature-based model and angiogenic tumor phenotypes, to predict immune checkpoint inhibitor efficacy. These findings, published in *Clinical Cancer Research*, *Cell Reports Medicine*, *Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer*, and *NPJ Precision Oncology*, have been recognized in a dedicated editorial, underscoring their translational relevance and their contribution to biomarker development in immuno-oncology. In parallel, I have actively disseminated clinically oriented research through presentations at major international oncology meetings, including ASCO and AACR, notably on population-based outcomes analyses using the UroCCR database and on the molecular characterization of rare kidney cancers such as collecting duct carcinoma.

## **FUNDING OF RESEARCH PROJECTS**

My research program is driven by a commitment to elucidating the molecular mechanisms that underlie therapeutic resistance and to improving outcomes for patients with rare and aggressive cancers. Over the years, I have built complementary research directions that bridge fundamental biology and translational impact, which has naturally prompted me to pursue competitive funding aligned with these priorities. My interest in pediatric rare tumors led to a successful Rally Foundation award supporting an in-depth genomic investigation of translocation renal cell carcinomas. In parallel, my work on immune escape mechanisms in metastatic ccRCC resulted in funding from the Fondation de France to advance a multi-omics project centered on tumor-specific MHC class II (tsMHC-II+), microenvironment dynamics, and immunotherapy resistance. These **PI grants** include:

- 01/01/2026-01/01/2029 **Fondation de France** – Cancer Resistance of Treatments  
€250,000 for three years *Unraveling tsMHC-II+ Tumor-Immune Interactions and B Cell–Neutrophil Dynamics in Immunotherapy Resistance of Metastatic Clear Cell Renal Cell Carcinoma* [Identifier: WB-2025-56907]
- 01/07/2025-01/07/2027 **Rally Foundation** – A Collaborative Pediatric Cancer Research Awards Program  
\$100,000 for two years *Molecular Underpinnings of Translocation Renal Cell Carcinomas* [Identifier: 25FN19]

## **SCIENTIFIC MANAGEMENT**

### **• Academic involvement**

My scientific involvement within the *Molecular and Translational Oncology* team combines methodological expertise with a growing leadership role. I actively contribute to the design, execution, and interpretation of multi-omics and clinical research projects, working closely with oncologists, pathologists, molecular biologists, and computational scientists. This multidisciplinary environment has enabled me to structure analytical strategies, coordinate workflows, and guide key scientific decisions throughout each project. Beyond technical contributions, I play a central role in scientific communication (preparing figures, drafting manuscripts, and supporting submissions to high-impact journals) and I also ensure the dissemination of our work by presenting studies at national and international conferences through invited talks and poster presentations. These activities have strengthened both the visibility and influence of our research. I further support the cohesion of the team by organizing discussions, harmonizing analytical approaches, and ensuring methodological rigor across ongoing studies. Through this combination of scientific expertise, communication, and organizational responsibility, I contribute to the team's overall efficiency, innovation, and productivity while progressively developing my own independent research direction.

### **• Mentoring**

I am responsible for mentoring Master's students and co-mentoring PhD students, in collaboration with Pr. Malouf, especially those who have limited backgrounds in statistics or bioinformatics. My role includes teaching basic R programming skills, assisting in the interpretation of statistical results, and aiding in their understanding of multi-omics bioinformatics analyses. These mentoring activities are conducted within a multidisciplinary environment, where we jointly contribute to research projects. The students I have mentored or am co-mentoring include:

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| Nov 2024 – Oct 2025 | Nissrine BERRY, 2 <sup>nd</sup> year of Master, surgeon, Strasbourg      |
| Nov 2024 – Aug 2025 | Marie WIESER, 2 <sup>nd</sup> year of Master, pathologist, Strasbourg    |
| Since May 2023      | Antonin FATTORI, 3 <sup>rd</sup> year of PhD, pathologist, Strasbourg    |
| Feb 2023 – Nov 2024 | Justine GANTZER, oncologist, PhD, Strasbourg                             |
| Jan 2023 – Nov 2024 | Nassim TAWANAIE POUR SEDEHI, urologist, PhD, Strasbourg                  |
| Since Jan 2024      | Li XU, 3 <sup>rd</sup> year of PhD, bioinformatician, Strasbourg         |
| Since Jun 2024      | Wenxuan CHENG, 3 <sup>rd</sup> year of PhD, bioinformatician, Strasbourg |

My experience contributing to community-wide tutorial resources for reproducible biomedical analysis, including the *FigureYa* framework, informs my mentoring practice and facilitates efficient skill transfer to clinicians, pathologists, and junior researchers.

- **Organization of the research group or team**
  - **Director of the IGBMC: Frédéric Dardel**
  - **Department of Molecular and Translational Oncology (PI: Pr. Gabriel Malouf)**
    - Gabriel MALOUF (PU-PH) (oncologist)
    - Jean-Emmanuel KURTZ (PU-PH) (oncologist)
    - Bernard GOICHOT (PU-PH) (internal medicine)
    - Philippe BALTZINGER (PHU) (endocrinologist)
    - Xiaofan Lu (post-doc)
    - Fatima ALHOURANI (post-doc)
    - Antonin FATTORI (PhD 3<sup>rd</sup> year) (pathologist)
    - Wenxuan CHENG (PhD 3<sup>rd</sup> year) (bioinformatician)
    - Li XU (PhD 3<sup>rd</sup> year) (bioinformatician)
    - Farah AL ZOOR (PhD 1<sup>st</sup> year)
    - Laetitia BOUCAULT (engineer)

## **TEACHING**

During my PhD training (2019–2021) at the Research Center of Biostatistics and Computational Pharmacy, I served as a teaching assistant for intensive statistical modeling courses delivered each summer to undergraduate and graduate students from China Pharmaceutical University preparing for the National College Student Statistical Modeling Competition. I led three two-hour sessions per week, covering advanced statistical modeling methods and their practical applications. In addition to formal teaching, I supervised multiple student teams during the three-day national competition and provided methodological guidance throughout their project preparation. Beyond these activities, I assisted Professor Yan in mentoring junior master's students on research projects involving large-scale genomic data analysis and joint modeling of longitudinal and survival outcomes. My role included defining project objectives, organizing regular progress meetings, and guiding students through analytical strategies and interpretation of results.

## **SCIENTIFIC ANIMATION AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

### • **Invited presentations at conferences**

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| 26/06/2025 | Epigenetic Determinants of Response to Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors in Clear-Cell Renal Cell Carcinoma: Insights from BIONIKK Clinical Trial<br>12th FMTS Scientific Meeting, Strasbourg, France<br><b><i>invited for oral presentation</i></b>               |
| 27/04/2025 | Comprehensive molecular characterization reveals hallmarks of collecting duct carcinoma<br>AACR Annual Meeting 2025 in Chicago, Illinois<br><b><i>invited for poster presentation</i></b>   |
| 14/03/2025 | Epigenetic Determinants of Response to Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors in Clear-Cell RCC<br>1ères Journées de recherche en Immuno-Oncologie, Strasbourg, France<br><b><i>invited for oral presentation</i></b>   |
| 15/02/2025 | Racial Disparities in Renal Cell Carcinoma (RCC) Histology and Outcomes: Insights from the French Kidney Cancer Research Network (UroCCR-191)<br>ASCO Genitourinary Cancers Symposium 2025, San Francisco, USA<br><b><i>invited for oral presentation</i></b> |
| 27/11/2024 | Unveiling tumor heterogeneity in renal cell carcinoma with spatial transcriptomics on tissue microarrays<br>Séminaire de transcriptomique spatiale in situ XENIUM, Illkirch, France<br><b><i>invited for oral presentation</i></b>                            |
| 28/04/2023 | An enhancer demethylator phenotype converged to immune dysfunction and resistance to immune checkpoint inhibitors in clear-cell renal cell carcinomas   |



Signatures in cancer immunotherapy, ARC Symposium, Paris, France  
**invited for poster presentation**

10/07/2021 Development of an R package for multi-omics integration: Application in urothelial carcinoma  
7<sup>th</sup> International Statistical Genetics and Genomics Forum, Chongqing, China  
**invited for oral presentation**

- **Scientific outreach and media recognition**

- Invited interview by the American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) during the AACR Annual Meeting 2025, highlighting research on rare renal cancers and translational genomics; featured in AACR News (June 18, 2025; <https://www.aacr.org/blog/2025/06/18/researchers-showcase-how-aacr-project-genie-is-powering-new-insights-into-cancer-care/>).

- **Membership in scientific societies**

- AACR, Associate Membership (05/11/2024-31/12/2025)
- ASCO, Membership (12/02/2025-31/01/2026)

- **Professional services**

- Editorial roles:

- Early Career Editorial Board Member, Med Research (Since 2025)
- Early Career Editorial Board Member, Medicine Advances (Since 2025)
- Guest editor, Frontiers in Genetics (2023-Present)
- Guest editor, Frontiers in Cell and Developmental Biology (2023-Present)

- Reviewer roles:

- Reviewer for several renowned journals including *Nature Communications* (IF: 14.7), *MedComm* (IF: 10.7), *Briefings in Bioinformatics* (IF: 9.5), *NPJ Precision Oncology* (IF: 8.0), *Bioinformatics* (IF: 5.8), *Journal of Translational Medicine* (IF: 7.4), *Molecular Oncology* (IF: 6.6), *Cancer Immunology*, *Immunotherapy* (IF: 5.1), *Gene & Immunity* (IF: 5.0), *The Innovation Medicine*, *Scientific Reports*, *Journal of Cancer Research and Clinical Oncology*, *Discovery Oncology*, *Translational Oncology*, *Frontiers in Oncology*, *Frontiers in Immunology*, *Life Sciences*, and *International Immunopharmacology* (2020-Present)

- **Preprints**

Authored six preprints on bioRxiv, all subsequently peer-reviewed and published in reputable journals (<https://www.biorxiv.org/search/author1%3AXiaofan%2BLu%2B>).

- **Collaborations**

- **Principle scientific collaborations**

- Pr. Gabriel Malouf – IGBMC, Illkirch, France
- Pr. Wolf Herman Fridman – Equipe labellisée Ligue contre le Cancer, Paris, France
- Dr. Yann-Alexandre – Vano Institut du Cancer Paris CARPEM, Paris, France
- Pr. Xiaoping Su – MD Anderson Cancer Center, Texas, USA

- **Participation in the collective life of the lab**

- I am in charge of guiding new team members in basic statistical skills and the interpretation of bioinformatics results.
- I am responsible for ensuring the accuracy of the statistical methods used in the research of all laboratory members.
- I have been responsible for organizing the team's weekly academic seminars for one year.

## **SCIENTIFIC PRIZES AND AWARDS**

- **Major international and national distinctions**

30/06/2025 Young Researcher Oncology Prize – 12<sup>th</sup> FMTS Scientific Meeting, Strasbourg, France  
14/03/2025 AACR-Kidney Cancer Association Scholar-in-Training Award, Chicago, Illinois, USA

- **Selected competitive awards**

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| 2020 | National Scholarship of the People's Republic of China   |
| 2019 | Excellence Award, 6 <sup>th</sup> National College Students Statistical Modeling Contest – Biomedical Category |
| 2018 | Second Prize, “HW Cup” – 15th China Post-Graduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling                             |
| 2015 | Excellence Award, “Cisco Cup” Information Technology Competition, China Pharmaceutical University              |

- **Academic excellence during training**

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| 2019 – 2021 | Multiple doctoral scholarships, including first-class and excellence awards, China Pharmaceutical University |
| 2013 – 2014 | Undergraduate excellence scholarships, China Pharmaceutical University                                       |