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EDUCATION & RESEARCH

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Bethesda, MD, U.S.A.

Research Fellow

2016–present

- National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
- Advisor: Dr. David J. Clark

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Bethesda, MD, U.S.A.

Visiting Fellow

2013–2016

- National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
- Advisor: Dr. David J. Clark

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Piscataway, NJ, U.S.A.

Ph.D.

2007–2013

- Department: Physics
- Dissertation: “Statistical Mechanics of Nucleosomes”
- Committee: Profs. Alexandre V. Morozov (advisor), Anirvan M. Sengupta, Gyan Bhanot, Joel L. Lebowitz, and James R. Broach (outside member)
- Cumulative GPA: 3.90 / 4

Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, CJ, Romania

B.Eng.

2007–2013

- Department: Physics
- Thesis: “Differential Geometry in General Relativity and Yang-Mills Theory”
- Advisor: Professor Emil Vinteler
- Thesis GPA: 10 / 10
- Cumulative GPA: 9.83 / 10
- Graduated as valedictorian

AWARDS

Richard J. Plano Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award	2009
Silver Medal at the International Physics Olympiad, Indonesia	2002
Excellency Diploma awarded by the President of Romania	2001, 2002
Bronze Medal at “Tuymaada” International Olympiad, Russia	2001
First Prize at Romanian National Physics Olympiad	1999, 2000, 2002

PUBLICATIONS

12. **Chereji RV***, Ocampo J*, Clark DJ – MNase-sensitive complexes in yeast: nucleosomes and non-histone barriers, Accepted in Molecular Cell.

*** These authors contributed equally**

11. Ocampo J*, **Chereji RV***, Eriksson PR, Clark DJ – The ISW1 and CHD1 ATP-dependent chromatin remodelers compete to set nucleosome spacing in vivo, Nucleic Acids Res. 44 (10), 4625-4635 (2016)

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10. Qiu H*, **Chereji RV***, Hu C, Cole HA, Rawal Y, Clark DJ, Hinnebusch AG – Genome-wide cooperation by HAT Gcn5, remodeler SWI/SNF, and chaperone Ydj1 in promoter nucleosome eviction and transcriptional activation, Genome Res. 26 (2), 211-225 (2016)

*** These authors contributed equally**

9. **Chereji RV***, Kan T-W*, Grudniewska MK, Romashchenko AV, Berezikov E, Zhimulev IF, Guryev V, Morozov AV, Moshkin YM – Genome-wide profiling of nucleosome sensitivity and chromatin accessibility in Drosophila melanogaster, Nucleic Acids Res. 44 (3): 1036-1051 (2016)

*** These authors contributed equally**

8. **Chereji RV**, Morozov AV – Functional roles of nucleosome stability and dynamics, Brief. Funct. Genomics 14 (1), 50-60 (2015)

7. Cole HA, Ocampo J, Iben JR, **Chereji RV**, Clark DJ – Transcription of Induced Genes in Yeast Correlates with Differential Loss of Histone H2A-H2B Dimers from Coding Regions, Nucleic Acids Res. 42 (20), 12512-12522 (2014)

6. Ganguli D*, **Chereji RV***, Iben JR, Cole HA, Clark DJ – RSC-dependent Constructive and Destructive Interference between Opposing Arrays of Phased Nucleosomes in Yeast, Genome Res. 24 (10), 1637-1649 (2014)

*** These authors contributed equally**

5. **Chereji RV**, Morozov AV – Ubiquitous nucleosome crowding and unwrapping in the yeast genome, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 111 (14), 5236-5241 (2014)

4. Elfving N*, **Chereji RV***, Bharatula V, Björklund S, Morozov AV, Broach JR – A dynamic interplay of nucleosome and Msn2 binding regulates kinetics of gene activation and repression following stress, Nucleic Acids Res. 42 (9), 5468-5482 (2014)

*** These authors contributed equally**

3. Petrenko N, **Chereji RV**, McClean MN, Morozov AV, Broach JR – Noise and interlocking signaling pathways promote distinct transcription factor dynamics in response to different stresses, Mol. Biol. Cell 24 (12), 2045-2057 (2013)

2. **Chereji RV**, Morozov AV – Statistical mechanics of nucleosomes constrained by higher-order chromatin structure, J. Stat. Phys. 144 (2), 379-404 (2011)

1. **Chereji RV**, Tolkunov D, Locke G, Morozov AV – Statistical mechanics of nucleosome ordering by chromatin-structure-induced two-body interactions, Phys. Rev. E 83 (5), 050903 (2011)

MANUSCRIPTS IN
PREPARATION

1. **Chereji RV***, Ramachandran S*, Henikoff S – Chemical cleavage mapping provides new insights into nucleosome spacing and phasing, In preparation.
*** These authors contributed equally**
2. **Chereji RV**, Elfving N, Bharatula V, Blomberg J, Larsson M, Morozov AV, Broach JR, Björklund S – Mediator binds to boundaries of chromosomally interacting domains and to proteins involved in DNA looping, In preparation.
3. Johnson TA*, **Chereji RV***, Stavreva DA, Morris S, Hager GL, Clark DJ – Alternate Modes of Glucocorticoid Receptor Interaction with Enhancer and Promoter Chromatin, In preparation.
*** These authors contributed equally**
4. Chang HW, **Chereji RV**, Kulaeva OI, Morozov AV, Gurova K, Studitsky VM – Anti-cancer drugs curaxins inhibit FACT action during Pol II transcription, In preparation.
5. Rawal Y, Qiu H, **Chereji RV**, Clark DJ, Hinnebusch AG – Chromatin remodeler SWI/SNF and histone chaperone Nap1 cooperate in removing H2B-containing non-nucleosomal structures that compete with PIC assembly, In preparation.

INVITED TALKS

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| Departmental Seminar, Department of Computational and Systems Biology,
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA | Dec 2016 |
| Departmental Seminar, Department of Biological Sciences,
Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA | Dec 2016 |
| Biophysics Seminar, Physics Department,
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN | Nov 2016 |
| PGD Seminar, NIH, Bethesda, MD | Jan 2016 |
| PGD Seminar, NIH, Bethesda, MD | May 2015 |
| Chromatin-DECODE Seminar, NIH, Bethesda, MD | Apr 2015 |
| APS March Meeting, San Antonio, TX (invited talk + contributed talk) | Mar 2015 |
| PGD Seminar, NIH, Bethesda, MD | Jun 2014 |
| BioMaPS Institute for Quantitative Biology Student Seminar,
Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ | Sep 2013 |
| David Clark laboratory invited talk, NIH, Bethesda, MD | Jun 2013 |
| Jun Song laboratory invited talk, UCSF, San Francisco, CA | Jun 2013 |

OTHER
PRESENTATIONS

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| NCI Symposium on Chromosome Biology, NIH, Bethesda, MD (poster) | Nov 2016 |
| CSHL Epigenetics & Chromatin Meeting,
Cold Spring Harbor, NY (poster) | Sep 2016 |
| NICHD Scientific Retreat, NIH, Bethesda, MD (poster) | Sep 2016 |
| 12 th Annual NICHD Fellows Meeting, Washington, DC (poster) | Apr 2016 |
| APS March Meeting, Baltimore, MD (contributed talk) | Mar 2016 |
| Biophysical Society 60 th Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA (poster) | Feb 2016 |
| NIH Research Festival, NIH, Bethesda, MD (poster) | Sep 2015 |
| 34 th Summer Symposium in Molecular Biology,
Penn State University, State College, PA (poster) | Jul 2015 |

	FASEB conference: Transcription, Chromatin, and Epigenetics, Palm Beach, FL (poster)	Jun 2015
	11 th Annual NICHD Fellows Meeting, Washington, DC (poster)	May 2015
	NCI Symposium on Chromosome Biology, NIH, Bethesda, MD (poster)	Apr 2015
	Keystone Symposia: DNA Methylation / Epigenomics, Keystone, CO (poster)	Mar 2015
	Biophysical Society 59 th Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD (poster)	Feb 2015
	CSHL Epigenetics & Chromatin Meeting, Cold Spring Harbor, NY (poster)	Sep 2014
	NICHD Scientific Retreat, NIH, Bethesda, MD (poster)	Jun 2014
	10 th Annual NICHD Fellows Meeting, Washington, DC (poster)	Apr 2014
	APS March Meeting, Denver, CO (contributed talk)	Mar 2014
	Biophysical Society 58 th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA (poster)	Feb 2014
	APS March Meeting, Baltimore, MD (contributed talk)	Mar 2013
	Biophysical Society 57 th Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (poster)	Feb 2013
	108 th Statistical Mechanics Conference, Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ (contributed talk)	Dec 2012
	The 8 th Gotham-Metro Condensed Matter Meeting, The New York Academy of Sciences, New York, NY (poster)	Nov 2012
	Biophysical Society Pennsylvania Network Meeting, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA (poster)	Sep 2012
PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES	Reviewer	
	• Independent: Biophysical Journal, Epigenetics, PLoS ONE	
	• Jointly with my advisor: Genome Research	
	Service	
	• Chair of the DDB Fellows' seminar committee	2016–present
	• Member of the Chromatin-DECODE seminar committee	2016–present
	• Co-chair of the DDB Fellows' seminar committee	2015–2016
	Member	
	• American Physical Society, Biophysical Society	
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	General Physics II	Summer 2012
	General Physics II	Summer 2010
	Extended Analytical Physics II	Spring 2010
	Extended Analytical Physics I	Fall 2009
	General Physics II	Summer 2009
	Extended Analytical Physics II	Spring 2009
	Extended Analytical Physics I	Fall 2008
SCHOLARSHIPS	Graduate Assistantship, Rutgers University	2010–2013
	Teaching Assistantship, Rutgers University	2008–2010
	Excellence Fellowship, Rutgers University	2007–2008

	University Merit Scholarship, Babeş-Bolyai University Romanian Ministry of Education Scholarship "Petrom" Scholarship, OMV Petrom S.A.	2002–2007 2002–2007 2002–2007
TEST SCORES	Ph.D. Candidacy Examination, overall percentage: 89.1% GRE Subject: Physics, score: 990 / 990	Aug 2008 Nov 2006
TECHNICAL SKILLS	<p>Programming/Scripting Languages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently used: MATLAB, R, Python, Bash • Used in the past: Basic, C, Fortran, FoxPro, Pascal <p>Genomic Data Analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATAC-seq, Chemical mapping data, ChIP-exo, ChIP-seq, DNase-seq, FAIRE-seq, MNase-seq, NET-seq, RNA-seq <p>Other skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chimera, \LaTeX, Illustrator, InDesign, Dreamweaver 	
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