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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Nucleosome positioning, Chromatin organization, Gene regulation, Chromatin remodeling factors, Statistical Mechanics, Biophysics

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

2016 - Present Research Fellow

NICHD, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD, U.S.A.

Adviser: Dr. David J. Clark

2013 - 2016 Visiting Fellow

NICHD, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD, U.S.A.

Adviser: Dr. David J. Clark

2007 - 2013 Ph.D.

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

Physics Department

Adviser: Professor Alexandre V. Morozov Thesis: Statistical Mechanics of Nucleosomes

Cumulative GPA: 3.90 / 4

2002 - 2007 B.Eng.

Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj, Romania

Faculty of Physics

Graduated as valedictorian

Adviser: Professor Emil Vinteler

Thesis: Differential Geometry in General Relativity and Yang-Mills Theory

Thesis GPA: 10 / 10 Cumulative GPA: 9.83 / 10

AWARDS

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

SCHOLARSHIPS

2010 - 2013	Graduate Assistantship, Rutgers University
2008 - 2010	Teaching Assistantship, Rutgers University
2007 - 2008	Excellence Fellowship, Rutgers University
2002 - 2007	University Merit Scholarship, Babeş-Bolyai University
2002 - 2007	Romanian Ministry of Education Scholarship
2002 - 2007	"Petrom" Scholarship, OMV Petrom S.A.

PUBLICATIONS

- [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)
- [2] Chereji RV, Morozov AV Statistical mechanics of nucleosomes constrained by higher-order chromatin structure, J. Stat. Phys. 144 (2), 379-404 (2011)
- [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)
- [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, Nucl. Acids Res. 42 (9), 5468-5482 (2014)
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- [5] Chereji RV, Morozov AV Ubiquitous nucleosome crowding and unwrapping in the yeast genome, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. 111 (14), 5236-5241 (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)
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- [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, Nucl. Acids Res. 42 (20), 12512-12522 (2014)
- [8] Chereji RV, Morozov AV Functional roles of nucleosome stability and dynamics, Brief. Funct. Genomics 14 (1), 50-60 (2015)

PUBLICATIONS (CONTINUED)

- [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, Nucl. Acids Res. 44 (3): 1036-1051 (2016)
- * These authors contributed equally
- [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. Published in Advance, doi: 10.1101/gr.196337.115 (2016)
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- [11] Ocampo J*, Chereji RV*, Eriksson PR, Clark DJ Interplay among different ATP-dependent chromatin remodeling machines determines nucleosome spacing on active and inactive genes, Nucl. Acids Res. Published in Advance, doi: 10.1093/nar/gkw068 (2016)
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PRESENTATIONS

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September, 2012	Biophysical Society Pennsylvania Network Meeting,
	Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA (poster)
November, 2012	The 8th Gotham-Metro Condensed Matter Meeting,
	The New York Academy of Sciences, New York, NY (poster)
December, 2012	108th Statistical Mechanics Conference,
	Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ (contributed talk)
February, 2013	Biophysical Society 57th Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (poster)
March, 2013	APS March Meeting, Baltimore, MD (contributed talk)
June, 2013	University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, CA (invited talk)
June, 2013	National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD (invited talk)
September, 2013	BioMaPS Institute for Quantitative Biology Student Seminar,
	Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ (invited talk)
February, 2014	Biophysical Society 58th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA (poster)
March, 2014	APS March Meeting, Denver, CO (contributed talk)
April, 2014	10th Annual NICHD Fellows Meeting, Washington, DC (poster)
June, 2014	NICHD Scientific Retreat, NIH, Bethesda, MD (poster)
June, 2014	PGD Seminar, NIH, Bethesda, MD (seminar)
September, 2014	CSHL Epigenetics & Chromatin Meeting, Cold Spring Harbor, NY (poster)
February, 2015	Biophysical Society 59th Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD (poster)
March, 2015	APS March Meeting, San Antonio, TX (invited talk + contributed talk)
March, 2015	Keystone Symposia: DNA Methylation / Epigenomics, Keystone, CO (poster)
April, 2015	NCI Symposium on Chromosome Biology, NIH, Bethesda, MD (poster)
April, 2015	Chromatin-DECODE Seminar, NIH, Bethesda, MD (invited talk)

PRESENTATIONS (CONTINUED)

May, 2015 11th Annual NICHD Fellows Meeting, Washington, DC (poster)

May, 2015 PGD Seminar, NIH, Bethesda, MD (seminar)

June, 2015 FASEB conference: Transcription, Chromatin, and Epigenetics, Palm Beach, FL

(poster)

July, 2015 34th Summer Symposium in Molecular Biology,

Penn State University, State College, PA (poster)

September, 2015 NIH Research Festival, NIH, Bethesda, MD (poster)

January, 2016 PGD Seminar, NIH, Bethesda, MD (seminar)

February, 2016 Biophysical Society 60th Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA (poster)

March, 2016 APS March Meeting, Baltimore, MD (contributed talk)

April, 2016 12th Annual NICHD Fellows Meeting, Washington, DC (poster)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Summer, 2012 General Physics II Summer, 2010 General Physics II

Spring, 2010 Extended Analytical Physics II Fall, 2009 Extended Analytical Physics I

Summer, 2009 General Physics II

Spring, 2009 Extended Analytical Physics II Fall, 2008 Extended Analytical Physics I

TEST SCORES

August, 2008 Ph.D. Candidacy Examination, overall percentage: 89.1%

November, 2006 GRE Subject: Physics, score: 990 / 990

OTHER SKILLS

MATLAB, R, Bash, LaTeX, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign, Adobe Dreamweaver

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITES

Reviewer Biophysical Journal, Epigenetics

Member American Physical Society, Biophysical Society

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