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EDUCATION

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

August 2018

Ph.D. in Plant Breeding, Genetics, and Biotechnologies

Henan Agricultural University/Michigan State University, China/USA

June 2013

M.S. in Plant Pathology

Beijing Agricultural College, China

January 2005

B.S. in Agronomy

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Postdoctoral Research Associate

PI: Addie Thompson

2019.2- present

- > Dissecting the genetic control of the plant architecture-related traits in Maize
- > Deploying genomic prediction for the traits with different heritability in Maize
- > Calibrating the power function for maize total leaf area estimation
- > Validation of Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) measurements to manual phenotyping
- > Developing a high throughput phenotyping platform (HTP) based model for nitrogen fixation in dry bean

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Research Assistant

PI: Dechun Wang

2013.8-2018.8

- ➤ Dissected the genetic architecture underlying field resistance to sudden death syndrome (SDS) in soybean using bi-parental QTL mapping approach
- ➤ Led soybean marker-assisted selection for aphid, phytophthora, and SCN resistance
- > Organized the crossing of soybean breeding materials in the field
- ➤ Cooperated with several institutes within North Central Soybean Research Program for soybean sudden death syndrome regional test and executed the trial at Michigan
- Participated in the field evaluation of soybean commercial trials and breeding materials
- ➤ Coordinated with the researchers from Plant pathology department on the study of resistance to SDS phytotoxins

Assisted the phenotyping, genotyping, and analysis in the resistance breeding for aphid, white mold, and Pythium

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Temporary Research Assistant

PI: Dechun Wang

2012.3 -2013.5

- ➤ Compared different methods for linkage map construction using high-density SNPs
- Executed the SNP BeadChip genotyping with Illumina system
- Participated in soybean crossing, field evaluation, and harvesting
- > Developed the greenhouse bioassay for soybean sudden death syndrome screening

Henan Agricultural University, Zhengzhou, China

Graduate student researcher

PI: Honglian Li

2010.9-2011.8

- Assisted the project of "risk evaluation of cereal cyst nematode and its management in wheat"
- > Performed the temporal phenotyping of cereal cyst nematode

Beijing Agricultural College, Beijing, China

Intern

PI: Wenlin Jin

2001.3-2005.1

- ➤ Investigated the spatial distribution patterns of *Callosobruchus chinensis* eggs in adzuki bean fields
- > Evaluated the agronomic traits of adzuki bean

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Teaching Assistant

2016 & 2018 Spring

- Lectured the sections of linkage map construction and QTL mapping in quantitative genetics courses (CSS 941, graduate level)
- ➤ Developed the learning materials for Ici-mapping section which can be used for both linkage map construction and QTL mapping
- > Solved the problems that students met during whole course learning
- Assisted the graduate students with their project analysis
- > Evaluated and Graded assignments, project, and final presentations

PUBLICATIONS

R Tan, P Collins, J Wang, Z Wen, et al., (2019). Different loci associated with root and foliar resistance to sudden death syndrome (*Fusarium virguliforme*) in soybean. Theor Appl Genet. doi: 10.1007/s00122-018-3237-9

R Tan, B Serven, Z Zhang, P Collins, Z Wen, et al., (2018). QTL mapping and epistatic interaction analysis of field resistance to sudden death syndrome (*Fusarium virguliforme*) in soybean. Theor Appl Genet. doi: 10.1007/s00122-018-3110-x

Z Wen, **R Tan**, S Zhang, P Collins, J Yuan et al., (2018). Integrating GWAS and gene expression data for functional characterization of resistance to white mold in soybean. Plant Biotechnology Journal.doi:10.1111/pbi.12918

Z Wen, **R Tan**, J Yuan , C Bales , W Du , S Zhang , MI Chilvers, C Schmidt , Q Song , PB Cregan , D Wang (2014) Genome-wide association mapping of quantitative resistance to sudden death syndrome in soybean. BMC Genomics .15:809

H Chang, **R Tan**, G Hartman, H Sang, Z Wen et al., (2019). Characterization of soybean STAY-GREEN genes in susceptibility to foliar chlorosis of sudden death syndrome. Plant Physiology. doi: https://doi.org/10.1104/pp.19.00046

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