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## **EDUCATION AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:**

2014-present	Postdoctoral Scholar in Dept. of Plant Sciences, University of California, Davis, CA, US Supervised by Dr. Jeffrey Ross-Ibarra
2008-2014	Ph.D. in Interdepartmental Genetics, Iowa State University, Ames, IA, US Supervised by Dr. Patrick Schnable
2005-2008	M.S. in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, China Agricultural University, Beijing, CHN
2001-2005	B.S. in Bioengineering, China Agricultural University, Beijing, CHN

#### **AWARDS:**

Nov. 2013	Sui Tong Chan Fung Fund for the Promotion of Study and
	Research in Genetics
Feb. 2012	Spring 2012 W. Young and W.E. Loomis travel award
Oct. 2010	Fall 2010 W. Young and W.E. Loomis travel award
2008-2012	PhD Scholarship from CSC (Chinese Scholarship Council)
2002	Scholarship for outstanding learning, China Agricultural University

## **PUBLICATIONS:**

- 1. **J Yang**, CT Yeh, RL Fernando, JCM Dekkers, DJ Garrick, D Nettleton, and PS Schnable. Identification and cross-validation of maize loci controlling Kernel Row Number (KRN) variation via GWAS. PLOSONE. In press
- 2. **J Yang**, H Jiang, CT Yeh, JA Jeddeloh, D Nettleton, and PS Schnable. Identification of SNPs controlling maize Kernel Row Number (KRN) via an

Extreme Phenotype Genome-Wide Association Study (XP-GWAS). The Plant Journal. In press

- 3. S Liu, K Ying, CT Yeh, **J Yang**, R Swanson-Wagner, W Wu, T Richmond, et al. (2012). Changes in genome content generated via segregation of non-allelic homologs. The Plant Journal: for cell and molecular biology, 72(3), 390–9. doi:10.1111/j.1365-313X.2012.05087.x
- 4. L Koesterke, D Stanzione, M Vaughn, SM Welch, W Kusnierczyk, **J Yang**, CT Yeh, D Nettleton, and PS Schnable. (2011). An Efficient and Scalable Implementation of SNP-Pair Interaction Testing for Genetic Association Studies. 2011 IEEE International Symposium on Parallel and Distributed Processing Workshops and Phd Forum, 523–530. doi:10.1109/IPDPS.2011.190

## PAPERS IN PREPARATION:

- 1. **J Yang**, L Li, H Jiang, CT Yeh, RL Fernando, JCM Dekkers, DJ Garrick, D Nettleton, and PS Schnable. A GWAS for trait-associated SNPs that exhibit dominance effects provides insight into the origin of heterotic groups.
- 2. **J Yang**, A Kusmec, T Yoshihara, W Zhang, D Nettleton, E Spalding, and PS Schnable. Moon phase correlates with maize root growth in a genotype-specific manner.
- 3. **J Yang**, S Mezmouk, A Baumgarten, ES Buckler, KE Guill, MD McMullen, RH Mumm, and J Ross-Ibarra. Incorporation of evolutionary constraint improves genomic prediction of hybrid phenotype.

#### PATENT APPLICATIONS:

PS Schnable, **J Yang**, RA Swanson-Wagner, D Nettleton. 2011. QTL regulating ear productivity traits in maize. U.S. Patent No. 8779233. Filed July 12, 2011.

PS Schnable, **J Yang.** 2013, Identification of QTLs and trait-associated SNPs controlling six yield component traits in maize.

PS Schnable, A OTT, J Yang. 2014, Intercrossed ex-PVP lines.

#### TEACHING:

Guest lecture, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015, RNA-seq: Experimental design and differential expression analysis.

#### **PEER REVIEWS:**

Peer reviewed papers for The Plant Cell and BMC genomics.

#### **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS:**

Plant Sciences Departmental Seminar, UC Daivs, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, Using next-generation sequencing for genome-wide association and prediction in plants.

Huazhong Agricultural University, March. 24th, 2014, Big Data meets Genetics: GWAS and Genomic Selection of Yield Related Traits in Maize.

56<sup>th</sup> Annual Maize Genetics Conference, March. 14th, 2014, Insights into Heterosis.

Gordon Research Conference on Quantitative Genetics and Genomics, Feb. 18th, 2013, GBS-enabled GWAS: Identification and Validation of Kernel Row Number-associated SNPs in Maize.

Spring Semester 2012 AB&G Seminar Series, Iowa State University, Feb. 7th, 2012 Identification and validation of maize loci controlling a yield component trait via 2nd generation Bayesian-based GWAS.

#### **SELECTED POSTERS & ABSTRACTS:**

54<sup>th</sup> Annual Maize Genetics Conference, March 15th-18th, 2012.

**J Yang**, W Wu, CT Yeh, DJ Garrick, J Yu, D Nettleton, PS Schnable, Identification and validation of maize loci controlling a yield component trait via 2<sup>nd</sup> generation Bayesian-based GWAS.

53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Maize Genetics Conference, March 18th-21st, 2011.

**J Yang**, DJ Garrick, JCM Dekkers, CT Yeh, J Yu, D Nettleton, PS Schnable, Bayesian-based GWAS: identification of loci controlling variation in yield component traits in the Nested Association Mapping (NAM) population.

The Plant & Animal Genome XVIII Conference, Jan. 9th-13th, 2010. **J Yang**, RA Swanson-Wagner, D Nettleton, PS Schnable, Fine mapping a QTL regulating variation in kernel row number in maize.

The Plant & Animal Genome XVII Conference, Jan. 10th-14th, 2009. **J Yang**, RA Swanson-Wagner, D Nettleton, PS Schnable, Identification of QTLs controlling heterosis for seedling dry weight and cob weight in maize.

#### STATISTICAL SHORT COURSES:

Animal Breeding & Genetics Short Courses, Summer 2010 at Iowa State University.

Summer Institute in Statistical Genetics, Module 15: Mixed Models in Quantitative Genetics and Module 20: Advanced R Programming for Bioinformatics, 2011 at University of Washington.