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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Professor	2017. 09 – Present	Dept. of Biological Sciences, KAIST
Associate Professor	2012. 03 – 2017. 08	Dept. of Biological Sciences, KAIST
Group Leader	2013. 05 – 2017. 06	Center for Cognition and Sociality, IBS
Assistant Professor	2008. 02 – 2012. 02	Dept. of Biological Sciences, KAIST
Co-Investigator	2005. 11 – 2008. 01	Dept. of Chemical and Systems Biology, Stanford
Senior Research Scientist	2003. 11 – 2008. 01	Dept. of Chemical and Systems Biology, Stanford
Research Associate II	2002. 11 – 2003. 10	Dept. of Molecular Pharmacology, Stanford University
Post-doc.	2000. 05 – 2002. 10	Dept. of Molecular Pharmacology, Stanford University
Post-doc.	1999. 11 – 2000. 04	Dept. of Cell Biology, Duke University

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	1996. 3 - 1999. 8	Gyeongsang National University, Biochemistry (Advisor; Moo Je Cho, Ph.D.)
M.S.	1994. 3 - 1996. 2	Gyeongsang National University, Biochemistry (Advisor; Moo Je Cho, Ph.D.)
B.S.	1987. 3 - 1994. 2	Gyeongsang National University, Agricultural Chemistry (3 Years Military Service)

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIP

2022	Prize of academic excellence	KAIST
2021	S-OIL Outstanding THESIS AWARD	The Korean Academy of Science and Technology
2020	Red Ribbon Lecture Award	KSMCB Winter Conference 2020
2019	The author of the Month (October)	Nature Methods
2015, 2016, 2017	The year KAIST KI Research	KAIST Institute
2017	Scientist of the Month	Korea Ministry of Education, Science and Technology
2017	Top 25 Selected Researches of 5 years	Institute for Basic Science
2016	KAIST KI Excellent Research Award	KAIST Institute
2016	2015 KAIST Top 10 Selected Researches	KAIST
2009	Gyeongsang PEOPLE	Gyeongsang National University
2009	Outstanding FDC PA	KAIST
2003	KOSEN AWARD	The Global Network of Korean Scientists & Engineers
1999	KOSEF FELLOWSHIP	Korea Science and Engineering Foundation (KOSEF)
1999	BEST Ph.D. THESIS	The Korean Society for Molecular Biology
1998	BEST POSTER	'98 Korea-Japan Joint Symposium of Molecular Biology
1997	BEST THESIS	The Korean Society for Biochemistry

Breakthroughs in biology and medicine have followed the development of novel technologies creating new avenues of investigation and therapeutics.

My group have been developing new bio-imaging, optogenetics and chemogenetics technologies to study important biological phenomena and cellular functions in various cells and animals. We are conducting researches by applying our technologies in cell growth, cell migration, cell death, cancer cell metastasis and brain functions, which are regulated through signaling pathways composed of a variety of secondary messengers and numerous signaling proteins. By developing new bio-imaging and optogenetics/chemogenetics technologies, the complex cellular processes in living cells and animals can be studied at the molecular, cellular and animal levels.

"Our ultimate goal is to provide new paradigms for future therapeutics through chemogenetics, optogenetics, *in vivo* stem cell and cell therapy."

Molecular Optogenetic toolbox (Heo group) Receptors

OptoTrks	Optogenetic activation of TrkA, B, C Application in axon specification	<i>Nature Comm. (2014)</i> <i>Cell Chem. Biol. (2019); JMB (2020)</i>
OptoFGFR	Optogenetic activation of FGFR1 Application in cell migration	<i>Chem. Biol. (2014)</i> <i>PNAS (2016)</i>
Other OptoRTKs and OptoReceptors	Optogenetic activation of TGFβR Various receptors including other RTKs (Receptor Tyrosine Kinases)	<i>ACS Syn. Biol. (2018)</i> <i>BBRC (2020)</i> <i>Science Advances (2020)</i>

Intracellular proteins and molecules

LARIAT	Various intracellular proteins Applications in fly development Applications in cell migration	<i>Nature Methods (2014)</i> <i>Nature Comm. (2017)</i> <i>PNAS (2016)</i>
IM-LARIAT mRNA optogenetics Ras/Rho sensors CRY2clust Optobody PA-Flp recombinase Opto-vTrap	Diverse intracellular membranes mRNA optogenetic modulation Intensiometric Ras/Rho biosensors Super sensitive optogenetic oligomerization Antibody (intrabody and nanobody) Transcranial genetic manipulation Optogenetic inhibition of synaptic transmission	<i>Nature Chemical Biology (2016)</i> <i>Nature Cell Biology (2020)</i> <i>Nature Comm. (2019)</i> <i>Nature Comm. (2017)</i> <i>Nature Methods (2019)</i> <i>Nature Comm. (2019)</i> <i>Neuron (accepted)</i>

Second messengers

OptoSTIM1 monSTIM1 (Monster)	Control of Ca ²⁺ channel & mouse memory Ultra-light sensitive optoSTIM1 variant	<i>Nature Biotechnology (2015)</i> <i>Nature Comm. (2020)</i>
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RESEARCH AREAS

Synthetic cell biology & Optogenetic Medicine
RNA optogenetics & Antibody optogenetics

Bio-imaging (molecule, cell and *in vivo* imaging)
Optogenetics (molecule, cell and *in vivo* optogenetics) & Optogenetic therapeutics
Chemogenetics (molecule, cell and *in vivo* chemogenetics) & Chemogenetic therapeutics
Molecular and cellular therapeutics & In vivo stem cell biology\
mRNA therapeutics

PUBLICATIONS

Co-first author*
Co-corresponding author#

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