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Research Grants/Projects

2020-2023	Dr. Neher's Biophysics Laboratory for Innovative Drug Discovery
2019-2022	Modulation of gut microbiota to enhance efficacy of anti-PD1 immunotherapy in non-small
	cell lung cancer
2018	Targeting T cell metabolic checkpoint to restore anti-cancer activity using Chinese herbal
	medicine
2016-2019	Role and therapeutic intervention of reactive oxygen species and redox balance in regulation
	of non-small cell lung cancer
2015-2016	Next SeqTM 500 Next generation DNA sequencer
2015-2016	Next SeqTM 500 Next generation DNA sequencer work station
2014-2015	Identification of novel metabolic biomarkers associated with lung adenocarcinoma
	target-based therapy resistance for network-based drug discovery with Chinese herbal
	medicine
2013-2015	Investigation on the novel candidate anti-cancer drug from Chinese herbal medicine by

modulating metabolic profiles of cancer cells

Academic and Professional Membership

- Macau Life Science Institute / Honorary Advisor
- The Speciality Committee on Immunology of Traditional Chinese Medicine of the World Federation of Chinese Medicine Societies / Executive Council

Professional Qualifications and Awards

2018	Science and Technology Award of Higher Education of China (First Class), Ministry of
	Education, China
2018	Zhong Zhu Medicine & Life Science Excellent Teacher Award (Research Award-Special
	Class)
2017	Zhong Zhu Medicine & Life Science Excellent Teacher Award (Research Award-Special
	Class)
2015	Science and Technology Award of Higher Education of China (First Class), Ministry of
	Education, China 2014
2014	Macau Science and Technology Award (Natural Science Second Prize 2014)
2013	Macau Bank of China Research Award