

Biographical Sketch

Chun-Li Zhang, Ph.D.

Title: Professor with tenure
Appointment: Molecular Biology; Hamon Center for Regenerative Science and Medicine
School: Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences
Degree Program: Neuroscience; Genetics, Development, and Disease

Education

2003-2008: Postdoctoral Fellow; The Salk Institute for Biological Studies
1997-2002: Ph.D. in Genetics and Development; UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas
1990-1993: M.Sc. in Molecular Biology; Wuhan Institute of Virology, Chinese Academy of Sciences
1986-1990: B.Sc. in Biology; Wuhan University, China

Employment

2018 - present: Professor with tenure
Department of Molecular Biology; Center for Regenerative Science and Medicine
UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX
2014 - 2018: Associate Professor with tenure
Department of Molecular Biology; Center for Regenerative Science and Medicine
UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX
2008 - 2014: Assistant Professor in tenure track
Department of Molecular Biology; UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX
1993 - 1997: Assistant Investigator
Wuhan Institute of Virology, Chinese Academy of Sciences

Honors and Awards

2021: L&N (Luigs & Neumann) Distinguished Lecturer, University of Virginia School of Medicine
2018-2022: NIH/CNNT Charter Member
2017: Keynote speaker, GSO at Health Science Center, Texas A&M University
2017: The Judith & Jean Pape Adams Charitable Foundation
2016: The Mobility Foundation Research Award
2015: The Decherd Foundation Research Award
2011: New Scholar in Aging, the Ellison Medical Foundation
2010: Research Award, the Whitehall Foundation
2009: Research Award, the Welch Foundation
2009: NIH Director's New Innovator Award
2009: Scientist Development Award, the American Heart Association
2008: W. W. Caruth, Jr. Endowed Scholar in Biomedical Research.
2005-08: HHMI Fellow of the Life Sciences Research Foundation.

Membership

Society for Neuroscience
International Society for Stem Cell Research
Molecular and Cellular Cognition Society

Research Interests

Adult neurogenesis and regeneration
Glia plasticity and function in diseases
Traumatic brain (TBI) and spinal cord injury (SCI)
Alzheimer's Disease, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease