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SUMMARY: *As an Associate Professor in the Department of Crop and Soil Sciences at Washington State University (WSU), I have a multidisciplinary background with dual Ph.D. degrees, one in Statistical Genetics and one in Animal Breeding. Since 2005, I have published over 100 peer-reviewed articles garnering over 24,000 citations with an h-index of 51 (Google Scholar). My research is dedicated to developing innovative analytical methods and computing tools using statistics, statistical learning, machine learning, and artificial intelligence (AI) to advance genomic and phenomic research toward the sustainability of food production and healthcare management. The developed software packages directly interact with public stakeholders, including TASSEL, GAPIT, FarmCPU, BLINK, iPAT, and MMAP for genomics, GRID, GridFree, and ROOSTER for phenomic computer vision, and AI4Everyone for general audience to develop AI systems without requiring programming skills. Since joining WSU in 2014, I have secured 14 grants from a variety of sources, including WSU, Murdock Foundation, USDA, NSF, and DOE, which total \$3M in direct funding for my lab plus \$5M in funding for collaborative research. In 2015, I developed a graduate-level course in Statistical Genomics, which I have taught for seven cycles. I am recognized as an Associate editor (PLOS Genetics), journal reviewer (Nature Genetics, Nature Methods, and PLOS Genetics), and grant panelist (USDA, NSF, Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada, BBSRC, and Swiss National Science Foundation). I was invited to write a review on software engineering for Briefings in Bioinformatics and two articles for Plant Breeding Reviews. I have been invited to give presentations and workshops in multiple countries, including the US, Canada, Sweden, the UK, France, Thailand, and China. Since 2018, I have been the workshop organizer for the annual international Conference of Plant and Animal Genome. In 2021, I was honored with the CAHNRS' Early Career Excellence Award at WSU.*

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EDUCATION

- 1995-1998 Ph.D., *Statistical Genetics*
Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, USA
Dissertation: Power and accuracy of detecting linkage between quantitative trait loci and genetic markers
- 1988-1991 Ph.D., *Animal Breeding and Genetics*
Northeast Agricultural University, Harbin, China
Dissertation: Theory of genetic resources conservation and its application in Chinese Swine populations
- 1985-1988 M.S., *Animal Breeding and Genetics*
Jilin Agricultural University, Changchun, China
Dissertation: The method of minimizing inbreeding in domestic animals
- 1978-1982 B.S., *Animal Science*
Jilin Agricultural University, Changchun, China

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

- 2015-2022 **Washington Grain Commission Distinguished Professorship**
- 2019-Present **Associate Professor**
Department of Crop and Soil Sciences, Washington State University, Pullman, WA, USA
- 2014-2018 **Assistant Professor**
Department of Crop and Soil Sciences, Washington State University, Pullman, WA, USA
- 2011-2013 **Senior Research Associate**
Institute for Genomic Diversity, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA
- 2002-2010 **Research Associate**
Institute for Genomic Diversity (2005-2010) and Department of Animal Science (2002-2005), Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA
- 1998-2001 **Postdoctoral Fellow**
Department of Animal Science, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA
- 1993-1994 **Associate Professor**
Institute of Animal Science, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Science, Beijing, China
- 1991-1993 **Assistant Professor**
Institute of Animal Science, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Science, Beijing, China
- 1982-1985 **Lecturer**
Jilin Agricultural Science and Technology University, Jilin, China

GRANT SUPPORT

Extramural Funding

USDA

8/1/2020-7/31/2024 (PI)

“FACT: Predicting Wheat Hagberg Falling Number from Near Infrared Spectrometers” (Award number 2020-67021-32460), \$500,000.

USDA

8/1/2022-7/31/2025 (Co-PI)

“Targeted Genomic Assisted Improvement of Seed Protein Concentration” (Award number 5820902024), \$176,423.

Washington Research Foundation Commercialization Gap Fund

1/1/2024-12/31/2024 (PI)

“Computer Aided Grain Inspection of Club Wheat Identification” (Award number PG00022460), \$50,000.

Washington Research Foundation Commercialization Gap Fund

1/1/2022-12/31/2024 (PI)

“A fast wheat quality inspection method” (Award number PG00020471), \$40,000.

USDA

2/15/2019-2/14/2023 (PI)

“Genomics-Enabled Satellite Phenomics For Wheat Breeding In The Palouse” (Award number 2019-67013-29171), \$500,000.

USDA

9/1/2018-8/31/2022 (PI)

“Genomics Enabled Purging Selection to Develop 200 Alfalfa Inbred Lines Toward High Yield Hybrid Production” (Award number 2018-70005-28792), \$295,000.

Washington Grain Commission

4/1/2021-6/30/2025 (PI)

“Intelligent Prediction and Association Tool to Facilitate Wheat Breeding” (Award number 134574-001), \$293,463.

NSF

8/1/2020-8/31/2024 (Co-PI, PI: Dr. Thomas W Okita)

“EAGER: The RNA Landscape as defined by RNA binding proteins” (Award number ISO 2029933), \$600,000.

Washington Wheat Foundation

1/1/2018-12/31/2021 (PI)

“Equipment for wheat research”, Total direct cost: \$28,738 (\$3,000, 2018; \$6,738, 2019; \$7,000, 2020; \$7,000, 2021, and \$5000, 2022).

NSF

5/16/2017-5/15/2021 (Co-PI, PI: Dr. Ananth-Kalyanaraman)

“A Scalable Framework for Visual Exploration and Hypotheses Extraction of Phenomics Data using Topological Analytics” (Award number DBI 1661348), \$783,163 (\$109,400 to Dr. Zhang).

DOE

8/1/2016-7/31/2021 (Co-PI, PI: Dr. Jack Brown)

“Developing Non-Food Grade Brassica Biofuel Feedstock Cultivars with High Yield, Oil Content, and Quality for Low-Input Production Dryland Systems” (Award number DESC0016366), \$1,200,000 (\$332,925 to Dr. Zhang).

USDA

2/15/2016-2/14/2021 (Co-PI, PI: Dr. Arron Carter)

“Next Generation Variety Development and Education for Grains, Apples, Alternative Crops, and Cool Season Legumes” (Award number 2016-68004-24770), \$3,000,000 (\$234,705 to Dr. Zhang).

USDA

10/15/2015-10/14/2020 (Co-PI, PI: Dr. Camille Steber)

“Molecular Genetic Architectures for Increasing Pre-harvest Sprouting Tolerance in White Wheat” (Award number 2015-05798), \$422,000.

M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust

1/1/2017-12/31/2019 (Co-PI, PI: Dr. Kiwamu Tanaka)

“Acquisition of an Automated Phenotyping System to Enable the Next Generation of Plant Phenomics-Genomics Study” (Award number 2016049:MNL), \$480,000.

Washington Grain Commission

5/1/2018-6/30/2021 (PI)

“Intelligent Prediction and Association Tool to Facilitate Wheat Breeding” (Award number 126593), \$259,848.

Washington Grain Commission

5/1/2015-6/30/2018 (PI)

“Intelligent Prediction and Association Tool to Facilitate Wheat Breeding” (Award number 126593), \$220,667.

8/27/2011-8/26/2014 (Co-PI, PI: Dr. Dorothy Ainsworth)

Harry M. Zweig Memorial Fund for Equine Research

“The Genetic Basis of Recurrent Laryngeal Neuropathy (RLN) in Thoroughbreds”, \$297,000.

National Institutes of Health (1R21AR055228-01A1)

12/01/2008-11/20/2010 (Co-PI, PI: Dr. Rory Todhunter)

“Fibrillin 2 and Developmental Genetics of Hip Dysplasia in a Canine Model”, \$225,000.

National Natural Science Foundation, China (39200088)

01/01/1993-12/31/1995 (PI)

“Study on the Genetic Conservation for the Population Undergoing Selection”, 40,000 RMB (Chinese currency, RenMinBi).

Intramural Funding

University of Georgia Research Foundation

10/1/2021-9/30/2022 (Co-PI, PI: Zenglu Li)

“An intelligent and high-throughput imaging system for soybean cyst nematode phenotyping” (Project No. 2220-172-0150, Subaward No. SUB00002652), \$15,000 (direct cost).

Emerging Research Issues at Washington State University

1/30/2015-7/1/2017 (PI)

“A Single Step Approach to Map Genes Underlying Phenotypes in Multiple Environments”, \$80,000 (direct cost).

CAHNRS Undergraduate Internships at Washington State University

5/1/2015-12/30/2015 (PI)

“Upgrading Software to Enhance Biological and Agricultural Research”, \$6,500 (direct cost).

Office of Research at Washington State University

7/1/2015-12/30/2016 (Co-PI, PI: Dr. Zhihua Jiang)

“Neurogenetics and Neurogenomics of Addiction Vulnerability”, \$22,500 (direct cost).

Cornell Advanced Technology - Biotechnology

7/1/2006-6/30/2007 (Co-PI, PI: Dr. Rory Todhunter)

“Incipient Events in Osteoarthritis: Models, Microarrays, SNPs, and Natural Diseases”, \$50,000 annual direct costs.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2015-present **Instructor** for *Statistical Genomics* at Washington State University. The course was initiated as one credit in the Department of Crop and Soil Sciences (CROP_SCI 512) in 2015. The following year, the course was promoted to an annual, three-credit course and listed as CROP_SCI 545. Currently, the course is cross-listed by multiple departments from multiple colleges, including the Department of Animal Sciences (ANIM SCI 545), the Department of Horticulture (HORT 545), and the Department of Plant Pathology (PL P 545) from the College of Agriculture, Human, and Natural Resource Sciences, and the School of Biology

(BIOLOGY 545) from the College of Art and Sciences. The course syllabus, teaching documents and student evaluations are available on the course website: <http://zzlab.net/teaching>.

2023: [Flyer](#), [syllabus](#), [student evaluation](#), [slides](#), [R code](#), and [homework](#)

2021: [Flyer](#), [syllabus](#), [student evaluation](#), [slides](#), [R code](#), and [homework](#)

2020: [Flyer](#), [syllabus](#), [student evaluation](#), [slides](#), [R code](#), and [homework](#)

2018: [Flyer](#), [syllabus](#), [student evaluation](#), [slides](#), [R code](#), and [homework](#)

2017: [Syllabus](#), [student evaluation](#), [slides](#), [R code](#), and [homework](#)

2016: [Flyer](#), [syllabus](#), [student evaluation](#), [slides](#), [R code](#), and [homework](#)

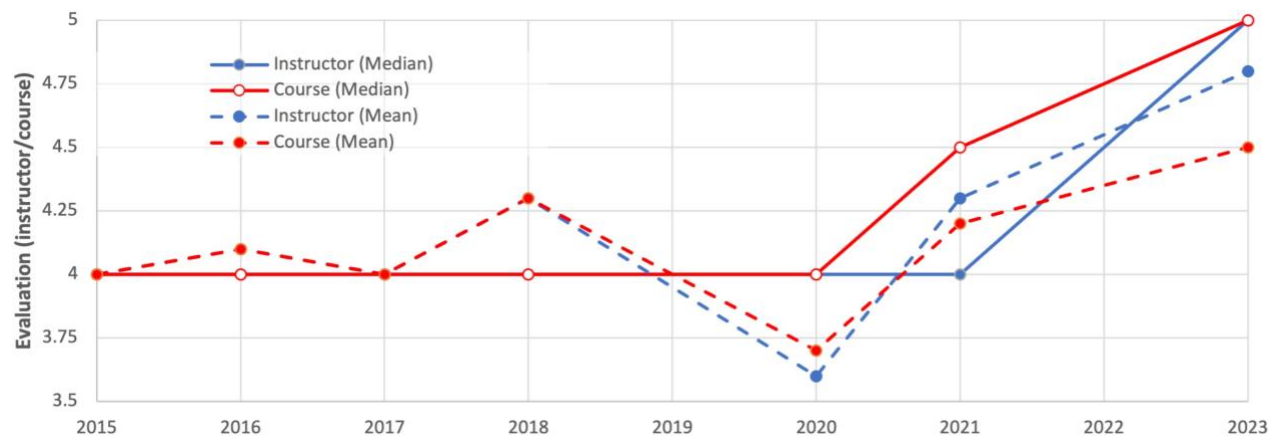
2015: [Flyer](#), [syllabus](#), and [student evaluation](#)

Summary of Student Evaluation on Statistical Genomics (2015-2023)

Year	Credit	Student		Student learned*		Instructor#		Course#	
		Number	Response	Mean	Median	Mean	Median	Mean	Median
2015	1	11	27%	3.7	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
2016	3	19	79%	3.5	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.0
2017	3	7	100%	3.3	3.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
2018	3	13	100%	3.8	4.0	4.3	4.0	4.3	4.0
2020	3	9	100%	3.6	4.0	3.6	4.0	3.7	4.0
2021	3	6	100%	3.3	3.0	4.3	4.0	4.2	4.5
2023	3	9	67%	3.8	4.0	4.8	5.0	4.5	5.0

*4-Great deal, 3- Fair amount, 2-Little, 1-Not much

#5-Outstanding, 4-Above average, 3-Average, 2-Below average, 1-Poor



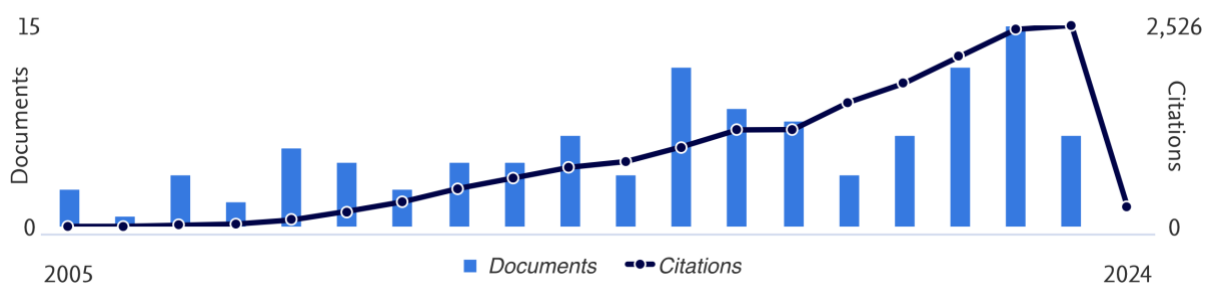
2008-2009 **Course Project Supervisor** for *Applied Statistical Analysis* (STSCI 501–502) at Cornell University. Principal Component Analysis and Mixed Linear Model in SAS were taught. The project generated a publication in the *Journal of Applied Statistics* (2012, 40:235–251).

1995-1997 **Teaching Assistant** for *Statistical Methods for Biologists* at Michigan State University

STT 464 Statistical Methods for Biologists I (Instructor: Rob Templeman)
 STT 464 Statistical Methods for Biologists II (Instructor: Rob Templeman)
 1982-1985 **Instructor** for *Genetics* and *Biological Statistics* at Jilin Agricultural College. Each course was taught for three semesters.

PUBLICATIONS

ORCID: [0000-0002-5784-9684](https://orcid.org/0000-0002-5784-9684), [Web of Science](#) (*h-index* = 40, citations > 16,000), [Scopus](#) (*h-index*=43, citations >17,000), [Google Scholar](#) (*h-index* = 51, citations > 24,000) * = corresponding authorship, and # = equal authorship. First or corresponding authorship rate: 41.7% (last five years) and 42.7% (all-time).



Peer-reviewed articles

2023 (6 article)

113. Lanzhi Li, Xingfei Zheng, Jiabo Wang, Xueli Zhang, Xiaogang He, Liwen Xiong, Shufeng Song, Jing Su, Ying Diao, Zheming Yuan, **Zhiwu Zhang*** & Zhongli Hu*, **Joint analysis of phenotype-effect-generation identifies loci associated with grain quality traits in rice hybrids**. Nature Communication, 2023, <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-023-39534-x>
112. Zhou Tang, Meinan Wang, Michael Schirrmann, Karl-Heinz Dammer, Xianran Li, Robert Brueggeman, Sindhuja Sankaran, Arron H Carter, Michael O Pumphrey, Yang Hu*, Xianming Chen*, and **Zhiwu Zhang***, **Affordable High Throughput Field Detection of Wheat Stripe Rust Using Deep Learning with Semi-Automated Image Labeling**. Computers and Electronics in Agriculture, 2023, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compag.2023.107709>
111. Bosen Zhang, Haiyan Huang, Laura E. Tibbs-Cortes, Adam Vanous, Zhiwu Zhang, Karen Sanguinet, Kimberly A. Garland-Campbell, Jianming Yu, Xianran Li, **Streamline unsupervised machine learning to survey and graph indel-based haplotypes from pan-genomes**. Molecular Plant, 2023, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.molp.2023.05.005>
110. Chun-Peng James Chen*, Yang Hu, Xianran Li, Craig F. Morris, Stephen Delwiche, Arron H. Carter, Camille Steber, **Zhiwu Zhang**, **An independent validation reveals the potential to predict Hagberg–Perten falling number using spectrometers**. The Plant Phenome Journal, 2023, <https://doi.org/10.1002/ppj2.20070>
109. Zhou Tang, Yang Hu*, and **Zhiwu Zhang***, **ROOSTER: An image labeler and classifier through interactive recurrent annotation**. F1000Research, 2023, <https://doi.org/10.12688/f1000research.127953.1>
108. Fan Zhang, Junmei Kang, Ruicai Long, Mingna Li, Yan Sun, Fei He, Xueqian Jiang, Changfu Yang, Xijiang Yang, Jie Kong, Yiwen Wang, Zhen Wang, **Zhiwu Zhang***, and

Qingchuan Yang, **Application of machine learning to explore the genomic prediction accuracy of fall dormancy in autotetraploid alfalfa**. Horticulture Research, 2022, <https://doi.org/10.1093/hr/uhac225>.

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107. Yang Hu, Stephanie M Sjoberg, Chunpen James Chen, Amber L Hauvermale, Craig F Morris, Stephen R Delwiche, Ashley E Cannon, Camille M Steber*, **Zhiwu Zhang***, **As the number falls, alternatives to the Hagberg–Perten falling number method: A review**. Comprehensive Reviews in Food Science and Food Safety, 2022, <https://doi.org/10.1111/1541-4337.12959>.
106. Yao Zhou, Zhiyang Zhang, Zhigui Bao, Hongbo Li, Yaqing Lyu, Yanjun Zan, Yaoyao Wu, Lin Cheng, Yuhang Fang, Kun Wu, Jinzhe Zhang, Hongjun Lyu, Tao Lin, Qiang Gao, Surya Saha, Lukas Mueller, Zhangjun Fei, Thomas Städler, Shizhong Xu, **Zhiwu Zhang**, Doug Speed & Sanwen Huang*, **Graph pangenome captures missing heritability and empowers tomato breeding**. Nature, 2022, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1038/s41586-022-04808-9>.
105. Xianran Li, Tingting Guo, Guihua Bai, **Zhiwu Zhang**, Deven See, Juliet Marshall, Kimberly A Garland-Campbell, Jianming Yu, **Genetics-inspired data-driven approaches explain and predict crop performance fluctuations attributed to changing climatic conditions**. Molecular Plant, 2022, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.molp.2022.01.001>.
104. Chun-Peng J Chen, Gota Morota, Kiho Lee, **Zhiwu Zhang**, Hao Cheng, **VTag: a Semi-Supervised Pipeline for Tracking Pig Activity with a Single Top-View Camera**. Journal of Animal Science, 2022, <https://doi.org/10.1093/jas/skac147>.
103. Wesley Crump, Cameron Peace, Zhiwu Zhang, Per McCord, **Fruit cracking and firmness DNA test development and evaluation in sweet cherry**. Fruit Research, 2022, <https://doi.org/10.48130/FruRes-2022-0014>.
102. YP Fu, YT Dai, KWT Chethana, ZH Li, L Sun, CT Li, HL Yu, RH Yang, Q Tan, DP Bao, YJ Deng, SX Wang, YF Wang, FH Tian, LL Qi, LL Shu, PS Jia, LC Chen, MY Chen, QX Hu, H Tan, TT Song, **ZW Zhang**, G Bonito, GI Zervakis, SJ Xiao, KD Hyde, Y Li, XH Yuan, **Large-scale genome investigations reveal insights into domestication of cultivated mushrooms**. Mycosphere, 2022, DOI: [10.5943/mycosphere/si/1f/4](https://doi.org/10.5943/mycosphere/si/1f/4).
101. KS Sandhu, LF Merrick, S Sankaran, **Zhiwu Zhang**, Arron Carter, **Prospectus of Genomic Selection and Phenomics in Cereal, Legume and Oilseed Breeding Programs**. Frontiers in Genetics, 2022, <https://doi.org/10.3389/fgene.2021.829131>.
100. Chenggen Chu, Shichen Wang, Jackie C Rudd, Amir MH Ibrahim, Qingwu Xue, Ravindra N Devkota, Jason A Baker, Shannon Baker, Bryan Simoneaux, Geraldine Opena, Haixiao Dong, Xiaoxiao Liu, Kirk E Jessup, Ming-Shun Chen, Kele Hui, Richard Metz, Charles D Johnson, **Zhiwu Zhang**, Shuyu Liu, **A new strategy for using historical imbalanced yield data to conduct genome-wide association studies and develop genomic prediction models for wheat breeding**. Molecular Breeding, 2022, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11032-022-01287-8>.
99. LF Merrick, AB Burke, **Zhiwu Zhang**, and Arron Carter, **Comparison of Single-Trait and Multi-Trait Genome-Wide Association Models and Inclusion of Correlated Traits in the Dissection of the Genetic Architecture of a Complex Trait in a Breeding Program**. Frontiers in Plant Science, 2022, <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpls.2021.772907>.

98. William Wesley Crump, Cameron Peace, **Zhiwu Zhang**, and Per McCord, **Detection of breeding-relevant fruit cracking and fruit firmness QTLs in sweet cherry via pedigree-based and genome-wide association approaches**. *Frontiers in Plant Science*, 2022, <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpls.2022.823250>.
97. Ruicai Long, Fan Zhang, **Zhiwu Zhang**, Mingna Li, Lin Chen, Xue Wang, Wenwen Liu, Tiejun Zhang, Long-Xi Yu, Fei He, Xueqian Jiang, Xijiang Yang, Changfu Yang, Zhen Wang, Junmei Kang, Qingchuan Yang, **Genome assembly of alfalfa cultivar zhongmu-4 and identification of SNPs associated with agronomic traits**. *Genomics, Proteomics & Bioinformatics*, 2022, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gpb.2022.01.002>.

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96. Yang Hu, and **Zhiwu Zhang***, **GridFree: a python package of imageanalysis for interactive grain counting and measuring**. *Plant Physiology*, 2021, <https://doi.org/10.1093/plphys/kiab226>.
95. Zhou Tang, Atit Parajuli, Chunpeng James Chen, Yang Hu, Samuel Revolinski, Cesar Augusto Medina, Sen Lin, **Zhiwu Zhang*** and Long-Xi Yu*. **Validation of UAV-based alfalfa biomass predictability using photogrammetry with fully automatic plot segmentation**. *Scientific Reports*, 2021, [doi: 10.1038/s41598-021-82797-x](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-021-82797-x).
94. Jiabo Wang* and **Zhiwu Zhang***, **GAPIT Version 3: Boosting Power and Accuracy for Genomic Association and Prediction**. *Genomics, Proteomics and Bioinformatics*, 2021, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gpb.2021.08.005>.
93. Lilin Yin, Haohao Zhang, Zhenshuang Tang, Jingya Xu, Dong Yin, **Zhiwu Zhang**, Xiaohui Yuan, Mengjin Zhu, Shuhong Zhao, Xinyun Li, Xiaolei Liu, **rMVP: A Memory-efficient, Visualization-enhanced, and Parallel-accelerated tool for Genome-Wide Association Study**. *Genomics, Phenomics and Bioinformatics*, 2021, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gpb.2020.10.007>.
92. Laura Tibbs Cortes, **Zhiwu Zhang**, and Jianming Yu. **Status and prospects of genome-wide association studies in plants**. *The Plant Genome*, 2021, [DOI: 10.1002/tpg2.20077](https://doi.org/10.1002/tpg2.20077).
91. Matthew T. McGowan, **Zhiwu Zhang** & Stephen P. Ficklin, **Chromosomal characteristics of salt stress heritable gene expression in the rice genome**. *BMC Genomic Data*, 2021, <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12863-021-00970-7>.
90. Karansher Singh Sandhu, Dennis Nicuh Lozada, **Zhiwu Zhang**, Michael O Pumphrey, Arron Hyrum Carter. **Deep Learning for Predicting Complex Traits in Spring Wheat Breeding Program**. *Frontiers in Plant Science*, 2021, [doi: 10.3389/fpls.2020.613325](https://doi.org/10.3389/fpls.2020.613325).
89. Haixiao Dong, He Li, Yingjie Xue, Shengzhong Su, Shipeng Li, Xiaohui Shan, Hongkui Liu, Nan Jiang, Xuyang Wu, **Zhiwu Zhang** and Yaping Yuan*. **E183K Mutation in Chalcone Synthase C2 Causes Protein Aggregation and Maize Colorless**. *Frontier of Plant Science*, 2021, <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpls.2021.679654>.
88. Kelly Swarts, Eva Bauer, Jeffrey C Glaubitz, Tiffany Ho, Lynn Johnson, Yongxiang Li, Yu Li, Zachary Miller, Cinta Romy, Chris-Carolin Schön, Tianyu Wang, **Zhiwu Zhang**, Edward S Buckler, Peter Bradbury. **Joint analysis of days to flowering reveals independent temperate adaptations in maize**. *Heredity*, 2021, <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41437-021-00422-z>.

87. Chandler R. Keller, Yang Hu, Kelsey F. Ruud, Anika E. VanDeen, Steve R. Martinez, Barry T. Kahn, Zhiwu Zhang, Roland K. Chen and Weimin Li. **Human Breast Extracellular Matrix Microstructures and Protein Hydrogel 3D Cultures of Mammary Epithelial Cells**. *Cancers*, 2021, <https://www.mdpi.com/2072-6694/13/22/5857>.

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86. Wei Huang, Ping Zheng, Zhenhai Cui, Zhuo Li, Yifeng Gao, Helong Yu, You Tang, Xiaohui Yuan, and Zhiwu Zhang*. **MMAp: A Cloud Computing Platform for Mining the Maximum Accuracy of Predicting Phenotypes from Genotypes**. *Bioinformatics*, 2020, <https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btaa824>.
85. Ying Wu, Fan Lin, Yao Zhou, Jie Wang, Shuai Sun, Bin Wang, Zhibin Zhang, Guo Li, Xiuyun Lin, Xutong Wang, Yue Sun, Qianli Dong, Chunming Xu, Lei Gong, Jonathan F Wendel*, Zhiwu Zhang*, Bao Liu*. **Genomic mosaicism due to homoeologous exchange generates extensive phenotypic diversity in nascent allopolyploids**. *National Science Review*, 2020, <https://doi.org/10.1093/nsr/nwaa277>.
84. James Chen and Zhiwu Zhang. **GRID: A Python Package for Field Plot Phenotyping Using Aerial Images**. *Remote Sensing*, 2020, <https://www.mdpi.com/2072-4292/12/11/1697>.
83. Liyuan Liu, Jinghang Zhou, Chunpeng James Chen, Juan Zhang, Wan Wen, Jia Tian, Zhiwu Zhang*, Yaling Gu*. **GWAS-Based Identification of New Loci for Milk Yield, Fat, and Protein in Holstein Cattle**. *Animals*, 2020, <https://doi.org/10.3390/ani10112048>.
82. Zhenhai Cui, H Dong, A Zhang, Y Ruan, S Jiang, Y He, and Zhiwu Zhang*. **Assessment of the Potential for Genomic Selection To Improve Husk Traits in Maize**. *G3: Genes, Genomes, Genetics*, 2020, <https://doi.org/10.1534/g3.120.401600>.
81. Zhenhai Cui, H Dong, A Zhang, Y Ruan, S Jiang, Y He, and Zhiwu Zhang*. **Denser Markers and Advanced Statistical Method Identified More Genetic Loci Associated with Husk Traits in Maize**. *Scientific Reports*, 2020, <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-020-65164-0>.
80. Lu Liu, Meinan Wang, Zhiwu Zhang, Deven R See, Xianming Chen. **Identification of Stripe Rust Resistance Loci in US Spring Wheat Cultivars and Breeding Lines Using Genome-wide Association Mapping and Yr Gene Markers**. *Plant Disease*, 2020, <https://doi.org/10.1094/PDIS-11-19-2402-RE>.
79. Feixiong Luo, Kate Evans, John L Norelli, Zhiwu Zhang, Cameron Peace. **Prospects for achieving durable disease resistance with elite fruit quality in apple breeding**. *Tree Genetics & Genomes*, 2020, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11295-020-1414-x>.

2019 (5 articles)

78. Meng Huang, Xiaolei Liu, Yao Zhou, Ryan M. Summers and Zhiwu Zhang*. **BLINK: A Package for Next Level of Genome Wide Association Studies with Both Individuals and Markers in the Millions**. *GigaScience*, 2019. <https://doi.org/10.1093/gigascience/giy154>.
77. Jinghang Zhou, Liyuan Liu, Chunpeng James Chen, Menghua Zhang, Xin Lu, Zhiwu Zhang*, Xixia Huang* and Yuangang Shi*. **Genome-wide association study of milk and reproductive traits in dual-purpose Xinjiang Brown cattle**. *BMC Genomics*, 2019. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12864-019-6224-x>.
76. Ying-hui Li, Delin Li, Yong-qing Jiao, James C Schnable, Yan-fei Li, Hui-hui Li, Huai-zhu Chen, Hui-long Hong, Ting Zhang, Bin Liu, Zhang-xiong Liu, Qing-bo You, Yu Tian, Yong Guo, Rong-

- xia Guan, Li-juan Zhang, Ru-zhen Chang, **Zhiwu Zhang**, Jochen Reif, Xin-an Zhou, Patrick S Schnable, Li-juan Qiu. **Identification of loci controlling adaptation in Chinese soya bean landraces via a combination of conventional and bioclimatic GWAS.** *Plant biotechnology journal*, 2019. <https://doi.org/10.1111/pbi.13206>.
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6. Jiabo Wang, Jianming yu, Alex Lipka, and Zhiwu Zhang*. **Interpretation of Manhattan Plots and Other Outputs of Genome-Wide Association Studies.** *Genome Wide Association Studies Methods in Molecular Biology*, vol 2481, 2022. Humana, New York, NY. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-1-0716-2237-7_5
5. Jiabo Wang, You Tan, and Zhiwu Zhang*. **Performing Genome-Wide Association Studies with Multiple Models Using GAPIT.** In: Torkamaneh, D., Belzile, F. (eds) *Genome-Wide Association Studies. Methods in Molecular Biology*, vol 2481, 2022. Humana, New York, NY. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-1-0716-2237-7_13

4. Matthew McGowan, Jiabo Wang, Haixiao Dong, Xiaolei Liu, Yi Jia, Xianfeng Wang, Hiroyoshi Iwata, Yutao Li, Alexander E Lipka, and **Zhiwu Zhang***. **Ideas in Genomic Selection with the Potential to Transform Plant Molecular Breeding: A Review**. *Plant Breeding Review Vol 45* (eds. Irwin Goldman), John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 2021. pp. 273-320, <https://doi.org/10.1002/9781119828235.ch7>, also available as [Preprint](#), [Publication](#), and [Google Book](#).
3. Atit Parajuli, Long-Xi Yu, Michael Peel, Deven See, Steve Wagner, Steve Norberg, and **Zhiwu Zhang***. **Self-incompatibility, Inbreeding Depression, and Potential to Develop Inbred Lines in Alfalfa**. *The Alfalfa Genome* (eds. Long-Xi Yu and Chittaranjan Kole), Springer Press. 2021. pp. 255-269, available as [Preprint](#) and [Publication](#), or [Google Book](#).
2. Haixiao Dong, Zhao Li, Guanghui Hu, Yaping Yuan, and **Zhiwu Zhang***. **The Genetic Architecture and Breeding Towards Cold Tolerance in Maize: Review**. *Molecular Breeding in Wheat, Maize and Sorghum* (eds. Mohammad Anwar Hossain, Mobashwer Alam, Saman Seneweera, and Sujay Rakshit), CABI Press. 2021, <https://www.cabi.org/bookshop/book/9781789245431/>, or [Google Book](#).
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SOFTWARE RELEASED

I have developed multiple computer software packages for public use and two for private use. Most of the public software packages are hosted on the Zhiwu Zhang Lab website (<http://zzlab.net>). The website has received over 9,000 returning users. These packages include the widely-used GAPIT, which has received over 2,000 citations.

- **GridFree**: To count and measure specific objects in images with supervised classification using principal components. See publication on [Plant Physiology](#) by Yang Hu and Zhiwu Zhang. More information is provided on the GRID website: <https://zzlab.net/GRID>.
- **GRID**: To automatic extract plot information on images with grid patterns. See publication on [Remote Sensing](#) by Chunpeng James Chen and Zhiwu Zhang. More information is provided on the GRID website: <https://zzlab.net/GRID>.

- **MMAF**: Mining the Maximum Accuracy of prediction. See publication on [Bioinformatics by Huang et al.](#) More information is provided on the MMAF website: <http://zzlab.net/MMAF>.
- **iPat**: Intelligent Prediction and Association Tool. See publication on [Bioinformatics by Chen and Zhang](#). More information is provided on the iPat website: <http://zzlab.net/iPat>.
- **BLINK**: Bayesian-information and Linkage-disequilibrium Iteratively Nested Keyway. See [publication by Huang and et al.](#) More information is provided on the BLINK website: <http://zzlab.net/blink>.
- **FarmCPU**: Software for Genome-Wide Association Studies. See [publication by Liu et al. in PLoS Genetics](#). More information is provided on the FarmCPU website: <http://zzlab.net/FarmCPU>.
- **GAPIT**: Genome Association and Prediction Integrated Tool. See publications by [Lipka et al. in Bioinformatics](#) and [Tang et al. in Plant Genome](#). More information is provided on the GAPIT website: <http://zzlab.net/GAPIT>.
- **TASSEL**: The mixed model component for QTL association analysis to incorporate kinship. See [publication by Bradbury et al. in Bioinformatics](#). More information is provided on the TASSEL website: <http://www.maizegenetics.net/tassel>.
- **MTDFREML – MTDFARM**: To perform multiple trait genetic analysis using arbitrary kinship including pedigree and marker based kinship. See [publication by Zhang et al. in Journal of Animal Science](#). More details can be found at <http://zzlab.net/MTDFREML>.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 **Cornell University**, [Confusion and prospection of Genomic Prediction to Incorporate Genome Wide Association Study](#), Departmental Seminar for Plant Breeding, Ithaca, NY, USA, January 23, 2024.
- International Conference of Plant and Animal Genome**, [Modeling Complex Data Structure in GWAS Using BLINK](#), San Diego, USA, January 15, 2024.
- 2023 **64th World Statistics Conference**, AI Winter of Genomic Prediction, Ottawa, Canada. July 16-20, 2023.
- International Conference of Plant and Animal Genome**, Software Engineering for Genomic and Phenomic Research, San Diego, USA, January 15, 2023.
- Washington State University**, Confusion and prospection of Genomic Prediction to Incorporate Genome Wide Association Study, Guest lecture for Venkata Krishna Jandhyala on *Seminar in Statistics (State 591)*, Department of Statistics, October 18, 2023.

- 2022 **International Plant & Animal Genome Conference XXIX**, *Bulk Sequencing Identified Numerous Genetic Loci Associated with Alfalfa Growth Vigor during Self-Pollination Inbreeding*, San Diego, January 8-12, 2022.
- 2020 **International Plant & Animal Genome Conference XXVIII**, *High Throughput Image Techniques in Breeding*, San Diego, January 11, 2020.
- 2019 **University of Georgia**, *See beyond what we can see*, Athens, GA, August 30, 2019.
International Plant & Animal Genome Conference XXVII, *iPat, a tool to perform gene mapping and genomic prediction*, San Diego, January 12, 2019.
Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, *See beyond what we can see*, Beijing, China, November 10, 2019.
- 2018 **International Plant & Animal Genome Conference XXVI**, *Gene Mapping by Segregation: From Mendel to BSA and Beyond*, San Diego, January 15, 2018.
International Conference of Genetics Applied to Livestock Production, *GWAS and GS Are as Easy as Clicking and Dragging with iPat*, Auckland, New Zealand, February 10-14, 2018.
University of Idaho, *Saving the Babies from the Bathwater in Genome-Wide Association Studies*, Moscow, Idaho, January 19, 2018.
- 2017 **Keynote Speaker**, *Incubating BLUP Method for Full Spectrum of Complex Traits*, Umeå Plant Science Centre, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, SE-901 83 Umeå, June 18-21, 2017.
International Plant & Animal Genome Conference XXV, *BLUP Alphabet for Genomic Prediction*, San Diego, CA, January 14-18, 2017.
- 2016 **Iowa State University**, *Saving the Babies from the Bathwater in Genome-Wide Association Studies*, Ames, IA, March 27-29, 2016.
Mathematical Biology Seminar at Washington State University, *Upgrade the Compartments of Mixed Linear Model to Reduce Both False Positives and False Negatives in Gene Mapping*, Pullman, September 20, 2016.
<http://www.math.wsu.edu/faculty/xueying/PastMathBiologySeminar.html>
- 2015 **Agricultural Genomics 2015 — from Variation to Improved Production**, *Saving the Babies from the Bathwater in Genome-Wide Association Studies*, Shenzhen,

China, November 16-18, 2015.

<http://www.nature.com/natureconferences/ag2015/speakers.html>

University of California at Riverside, *Saving the Babies from the Bathwater in Genome-Wide Association Studies*, February 11, 2015.

International Plant & Animal Genome Conference XXIII (Statistical Genomics Workshop), *Getting Power Back from Population Structure and Kinship in Genome-Wide Association Studies*, San Diego, CA, April 11, 2015.

<https://pag.confex.com/pag/xxiii/webprogram/Session2712.html>

2014 **Presentation Series from Experts**, *Dissecting Genetic Architecture of Complex Traits*. Heilongjiang Academy of Agricultural Science, Harbin, China, April 9, 2014.

2013 **International Plant & Animal Genome Conference XXI (Statistical Genomics Workshop)**, *Kinship Evolution for Genome Prediction and Association Studies*. San Diego, CA, January 13, 2013.

<https://pag.confex.com/pag/xxi/webprogram/Session1586.html>

2012 **International Plant & Animal Genome Conference XX (Statistical Genomics Workshop)**, *Integration of Genome Association And Prediction*, San Diego, CA, January 15, 2012.

<https://pag.confex.com/pag/xx/webprogram/Session1069.html>

2011 **Nanjing Agricultural University, National Soybean Improvement Center**, *Integration of Genome Association and Prediction*, Nanjing, China, July 5, 2011.

China Agricultural University, National Maize Improvement Center, *Advances of Statistical Methods for Genome-Wide Association Studies*, Beijing, China, July 2, 2011.

2010 **Cornell University Center for Vertebrate Genomics**, *Canine Dysplasia is Predictable by Genotyping*, Ithaca, NY, November 9, 2010.

6th SJTU_CU Workshop on Modern Agriculture and Biotechnology, *Adaptation of Mixed Model for Genome-Wide Association Studies*, Shanghai, China, October 9-11, 2010.

Center for Agricultural biotechnology, Kasetsart University, *Adaptation of Mixed Model for Genome-Wide Association Studies*, Kamphaeng Saen Campus, Thailand, March 20, 2010.

Plant Breeding for Commercial Organization Workshop, Kasetsart University, *Molecular Breeding*, Kamphaeng Saen Campus, Thailand, March 22, 2010.

- 2009 **Department of Agronomy, University of Nebraska, *Adaptation of Mixed Model for Genome-Wide Association Studies***, Lincoln, NE, November 20, 2009.
- 2008 **Nutrition and Genomics Laboratory, JM-USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging at Tufts University, *Mixed Model for Genome-Wide Association Studies***, Boston, MA, November 14, 2008.
- 2007 **62nd Northeastern Corn Improvement Conference, Cornell University, *Association Mapping by Using TASSEL Software to Incorporate Background QTL Effect***, Ithaca, NY, February 16, 2007.

INSTRUCTED WORKSHOPS

- **Genomic Prediction**, Chinese Academy of Forestry, Beijing, China, September 6-10, 2023 (Eighty participants onsite and over 1,000 online). Website: [Genomic Prediction Workshop](#).
- **Co-instructor with Patrick Carter, High Throughput Genomic Data analyses**, Southeast Nationality University, Chendu, China, November 11-15, 2019.
- **Genome-Wide Association Studies**, Chansha Agricultural University, Changsha, China, July 27-30, 2017. Website: <http://zzlab.net/GWAS2017CHANGSHA>.
- **Genomic Prediction**, Northeast Agricultural University, Harbin, China, December 26-29, 2016. Website: <http://zzlab.net/GS2016Harbin>.
- **Genome-Wide Association Studies**, Huazhong Agricultural University, Harbin, China, July 4-9, 2016. Website: <http://zzlab.net/GWAS2016WUHAN>.
- **Assessment of Statistical Power and False Discovery in Genome-Wide Association Studies**, Department of Agronomy, Iowa State University, Ames, IA, March 27-28, 2016. Website: <http://zzlab.net/WorkshopISU>.
- **Mapping Genes by Using Genome-Wide Association Studies**, Washington State University, Pullman, WA, February 23-27, 2015. Website: <http://zzlab.net/WSUGWAS>.
- **Methods and Tools for Genome-Wide Association Studies**, College of Veterinary Medicine, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, June 14, 2013.
- **Genomic Mapping Workshop**, USDA ARS, Lubbock, TX, Oct 25-26, 2006.

ADVISOR, SUPERVISOR, AND MENTOR ROLES

Major advisor (current students: 4, graduated students: 6)

Meijing Liang: 2021-present, Ph.D. Student. Research Project: Genomic prediction.

Atit Parajuli 2019-present, Ph.D. Student. Research Project: Development of 200 inbred alfalfa lines.

Zhou Tang: 2019-present, Ph.D. Student. Research Project: Wheat variety recognition on satellite imagery.

Matthew McGowan: 2016-2022, Ph.D. Student. Research Project: Genotype calling for SNP and structural variation, Current: Scientist at KromaTiD.

Chun-Peng Chen: 2016-2021, Ph.D. Student. Research Project: Intelligent Prediction and Association Tool, Current: Assistant Professor at Virginia Tech.

Samuel Revolinski: 2018-2019, M.S. Student. Research Project: High throughput phenotyping. Current: Postdoctoral Research Associate at Washington State University.

Yuanhong Song: 2017-2019, M.S. Student. Research Project: Explain variables of NDVI on satellite imagery, Current: Data Scientist at Bayer R&D Services LLC.

Jiabo Wuang: 2014-2018, Ph.D. Dissertation: Expanding the BLUP alphabet for genomic prediction adaptable to the genetic architectures of complex traits. Current: Assistant professor at Sichuan Minzu University.

Yao Zhou: 2014-2017, Ph.D. Dissertation: Systematic bias of correlation coefficient may explain negative accuracy of genomic prediction. Current: Professor, Institute of Plant Science at Chinese Academy of Sciences.

You Tang: 2014-2017, Ph.D. Dissertation: GAPIT Version 2: An enhanced integrated tool for genomic association and prediction. Current: Professor at Jilin Agricultural College

Guanghui Hu: 2013-2017, Ph.D. Dissertation: Genome-wide association study identified multiple genetic loci on chilling resistance during germination in maize. Current: Professor at Heilongjiang Academy of Agricultural Sciences.

Staff, postdoctoral researchers, and undergraduate students

Hatice Sari: 2022-present, Postdoctoral Researcher. Research Project: Genome wide association study and genomic prediction.

Renan Uhdre: 2022-present, Postdoctoral Researcher. Research Project: Genome wide association study and genomic prediction.

Yang Hu: 2019-2022, Postdoctoral Researcher. Research Project: Hyperspectral image analysis and artificial intelligence.

Isabel Vales: 2014-2015, Research Scientist. Research Area: Genomic prediction. Dr. Vales is now an Associate Professor at Texas A&M University.

Meng Huang: 2014-2017, Postdoctoral Researcher. Research Project: Genome-wide association study on complex traits. Current: Research Scientist at University of North Texas, Health Science Center at Fort Worth.

Ryan Summers: 2014-2018, Undergraduate Student. Research Project: Non-CPU computation.

Visiting scientists

Shipeng Li: 2018-2019, Visiting Professor. Research Project: Meta analyses on gene expression in maize.

Zhenhai Cui: 2018-2019, Visiting Professor. Research Project: Gene mapping for husk in maize.

Yongping Fu: 2014-2015, Visiting Professor. Research Project: Gene profiling of mushroom.

Xiaohui Yuan: 2014-2015, Visiting Professor. Research Project: High performance computing.

Mengjin Zhu: 2014-2015, Visiting Professor. Research Project: Genome-wide association study.

Yongxiang Li: 2012, Visiting Scientist. Research Project: Genome-wide association study for genetic resistance for northern and southern leaf blight in maize.

Qishan Wang: 2011, Visiting Scientist. Research Project: An improved mixed linear model for genome-wide association studies. The manuscript is in the process of preparation. Dr. Wang is currently an Associate Professor at Shanghai Jiaotong University, China.

Visiting students

Taseer Naqvi: 2022, Visiting student. Research Project: Genomic research in wheat.

Fan Zhang: 2020-2021, Visiting student. Research Project: Genomic research in alfalfa.

Sorour Arzhang: 2019-2020, Visiting Student. Research Project: Genome-wide association study in maize.

Arfa Anjun: 2018-2019, Visiting Student. Research Project: Bioinformatics.

Reena Rani: 2018-2019, Visiting Student. Research Project: GWAS in soybean.

Iqra Ishaag: 2018-2019, Visiting Student. Research Project: GWAS in wheat.

Liyuan Liu: 2018-2019, Visiting Student. Research Project: Genome-wide association study.

Jinghang Zhou: 2018-2019, Visiting Student. Research Project: Genome-wide association study.

Xu Zhang: 2014-2016, Visiting Ph.D. Student. Research Project: Identification of genes controlling cattle growth.

Ying Wu: 2015-2016, Visiting Ph.D. Student. Research Project: Identification of genes controlling agronomic traits in rice.

Hsuan Chen: 2014-2015, Visiting Ph.D. Student. Research Project: Statistical genomics.

Zhao Li: 2014-2015, Visiting Ph.D. Student. Research Project: Freezing tolerance of maize.

Xiaolei Liu: 2013-2015, Visiting Ph.D. Student. Research Project: Iterative usage of fixed and random effect models for powerful and efficient genome-wide association studies.

Meng Li: 2009-2011, Visiting Ph.D. Student. Research Project and the title of the related publication is “Enrichment of statistical power for genome-wide association studies”, BMC Biology 2014, 12:73.

Zhengkui Zhou: 2009-2011, Visiting Ph.D. Student. Research Project and the title of the related publication is “Differential Genetic Regulation of Canine Hip Dysplasia and Osteoarthritis”, PLoS One 2010, 5(10): e13219. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0013219.

Xihui Sheng: 2009-2010, Visiting Ph.D. Student. Research Project and the title of the related publication is “Differential Genetic Regulation of Canine Hip Dysplasia and Osteoarthritis”, PLoS One 2010, 5(10): e13219. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0013219. Current: Assistant Professor of Genetics at Beijing Agricultural College.

Graduate advisory committee

1. Zhaslan Akhmetov (Crop Science, Dr. Karen Sanguinet) 2023-
2. Swarnita Chakraborty (Molecular Plant Science, Dr. Nairanjana Dasgupta) 2020-2023
3. John Hadish (Molecular Plant Science, Dr. Stephen Ficklin) 2018-2023
4. Joseph Daniel Crawford (Biology, Dr. Asaph Cousins) 2018-2022
5. Karansher Singh Sandhu (Crop and Soil, Dr. Arron Carter) 2018-2022
6. Lance Merrick (Crop and Soil, Dr. Mike Pumphrey) 2018-2022
7. Cristina Ocana Gallegos (Crop and Soil, Dr. Kevin Murphy) 2018-2022

8. Samuel Prather (Crop and Soil, Dr. Mike Pumphrey) 2018-2022
9. William Crump (Horticulture, Dr. Per Hilding McCord) 2018-2022
10. Evan Craine (Horticulture, Dr. Scot Hulbert) 2018-2022
11. Feixiong Luo (Horticulture, Dr. Cameron Peace) 2016-2019
12. Ragupathi Nagarajan (CSS, Dr. Kulvinder Gill) 2014-2017
13. Stephanie Sjoberg (CSS, Dr. Arron Carter) 2016-2019
14. Wilson Craine (CSS, Dr. Scot Hulbert) 2016-2021
15. Ahsan Khan (CSS, Dr. Kulvinder Gill) 2015-2019
16. Md Nurul Amin (CSS, Dr. Rebecca McGee) 2015-2017

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PLoS One (5)	G3 (2)
GigaScience (1)	

Committee Memberships

Bioinformatics Certificate Oversight Committee, 2018-present, Washington State

University, Pullman, WA (<https://sbs.wsu.edu/graduate-certificate-in-bioinformatics>)

Executive Committee Member, Molecular Plant Sciences Program, 2017-2022,

Washington State University, Pullman, WA.

Vice Chair of Hatch Fund Project in Plant Breeding, 2017-2021, Washington State

University, Pullman, WA.

Department Website Committee Member, 2016-2019, Washington State University, Pullman, WA.

Department Mentoring Taskforce Committee Member, 2018-2019, Washington State University, Pullman, WA.

Board Member for Community of Emerald Pointe, 2017-2019, Management of Real Estate Property, Pullman, WA.

Employee Assembly for Minorities, 2002-2003, Cornell University.

Employee Assembly for Communications, 2001-2002, Cornell University.

Volunteer and Leadership Activities

Wrote an article for Wheat Life (published February 2017) to help recruit farmers to attend the Pacific Northwest Portland Tour.

Substitute Mathematics Teacher, 2007-2008, Northeast Elementary School, Ithaca Public School System, Ithaca, NY.

Volunteer Safety Guard for Public Skating, 2000-2002, The Rink at Lansing, NY.

Advisor of Panda Coed Volleyball, Cornell.

President of the Ph.D. Graduate Student Association, 1988-1990, Northeast Agricultural University, Harbin, China.

President of the Graduate Student Association, 1985-1987, Jilin Agricultural University, Changchun, China.

Judge of Showcase for Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities, Washington State University, 2017

Judge of Showcase for Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities, Washington State University, 2018

Judge of Research Exposition, The Graduate and Professional Student Association, Washington State University, 2019

Judge of Student Poster Awards, Plant Science Symposium at Washington State University, 2019

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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American Association Agronomy (ASA)

AWARDS AND RECONGNITIONS

- **WSU CAHNRS Early Career Excellence Award, [2021](#)** (The purpose of this award is to acknowledge outstanding contributions in research, teaching and/or extension in any CAHNRS discipline during the early phases of a faculty member's academic career. Eligible candidates must have less than ten years of experience in a faculty appointment)
- **IPS Chair** of 65th World Statistics Conference, [Statistical Concourse of Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence](#), The Hague, Austria. September 5-9, 2025.
- **IPS Chair** of 65th World Statistics Conference, [ChatGPT: Challenges And Opportunities To Statistical Research And Education](#), The Hague, Austria. September 5-9, 2025.

- **IPS Chair** of 64th World Statistics Conference, [Statistical Concourse of Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence](#), Ottawa, Canada. July 16-20, 2023.
- **Workshop Organizer** for the International Plant & Animal Genome Conference, [2018](#), [2019](#), [2020](#), [2022](#), [2023](#), and [2024](#)
- **Long Service Award** from PLOS ONE Editorial Board, February 28, 2023.
- **Recognition Award** from the Nature Publication Group for contribution to referencing papers, 2012.
- **The most cited author of PLoS Genetics in 2016**
<https://exaly.com/journal/13871/plos-genetics/top-authors/2016>
- **The third most cited author at Cornell University in 2010**
<https://exaly.com/institution/123787/cornell-university/top-authors/2010>
- **The sixth most cited author at Washington State University in 2016**
<https://exaly.com/institution/126424/washington-state-university/top-authors/2016>
- **Young Scientist Scholarship**, the 5th World Congress of Genetics Applied to Livestock Production, Canadian International Development Agency, Canada (August 1994).

COURSEWORK

Michigan State University (Ph.D.)

- STT 441 **Probability and Statistics-Probability**: Probability models and basic statistics at an intermediate mathematical level. Discrete, continuous, univariate, and multivariate distributions. Random variables. Normal approximation. Sampling distributions, parameter estimation, and elementary tests of hypotheses.
- STT 442 **Probability and Statistics- Statistics**: Estimation, tests of hypotheses, confidence intervals. Goodness of fit, non-parametric methods. Linear models, multiple regression, ANOVA.
- STT 825 **Sample Surveys**: Application of statistical sampling theory to survey designs. Simple random, stratified, and systematic samples. Sub-sampling, double sampling. Ratio and regression estimators.
- STT 841 **Linear Statistical Models**: Linear models are among the most frequently used.. Simple and multiple regression analysis and the analysis of variance are statistical methodologies based on linear models. These methods provide a means of studying the relationship between one dependent variable and explanatory variables when the dependent variable is also affected by some random error.
- STT 842 **Categorical Data Analysis**: Analysis of categorical and ordinal data: contingency tables; chi square tests; exact tests; log-linear models; measures of association; logistic regression; generalized linear models.
- ANS 943 **Techniques of Analyzing Unbalanced Research Data**: Linear model techniques to analyze biological research data characterized by missing and unequal number of observations in classes. Simultaneous consideration of multiple factors. Prediction of breeding values and estimation of population parameters from variance and covariance components.

Cornell University (Postdoctoral Employee Continuing Education)

- COMS 211 **Computers and Programming**: Project course that introduces students to the ways of software engineering using the Java programming language. The course requires the design and implementation of several large programs.
- COMS 213 **C++ Programming**: An intermediate introduction to the C++ programming language and the C/C++ standard libraries. Topics include basic statements, declarations, and types; stream I/O; user-defined classes and types; derived classes, inheritance, and object-oriented programming; exceptions and templates. Recommended for students who plan to take advanced courses in computer science that require familiarity with C++ or C.
- COMS 280 **Discrete Structures**: Covers the mathematics that underlies most of computer science. Topics include mathematical induction; logical proof; propositional and predicate calculus; combinatorics and discrete mathematics; basic probability theory; basic number theory; sets, functions, and relations; partially ordered sets; and graphs. These topics are discussed in the context of applications to many areas of computer science, including game playing, the RSA cryptosystem, data mining, load balancing in distributed systems, properties of the Internet, and web searching.
- COMS 381 **Introduction to Theory of Computing**: Introduction to the modern theory of computing: automata theory, formal languages, and effective computability.
- COMS 432 **Introduction to Database Systems**: Introduction to modern database systems. Concepts covered include storage structures, access methods, query languages, query processing and optimization, transaction management, recovery, database design, XML, and XQuery. The course focuses on the design and internals of database systems.
- COMS 482 **Introduction to Analysis of Algorithms**: Develops techniques used in the design and analysis of algorithms, with an emphasis on problems arising in computing applications. Example applications are drawn from systems and networks, artificial intelligence, computer vision, data mining, and computational biology. This course covers four major algorithm design techniques (greedy algorithms, divide-and-conquer, dynamic programming, and network flow), computational complexity focusing on NP-completeness, and algorithmic techniques for intractable problems (including identification of structured special cases, approximation algorithms, and local search heuristics).
- COMS 501 **Software Engineering**: Introduction to the practical problems of specifying, designing, and building large, reliable software systems. Students work in teams on projects for real clients. This work includes a feasibility study, requirements analysis, object-oriented design, implementation, testing, and delivery to the client. Additional topics covered in lectures include professionalism, project management, and the legal framework for software development.