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## EDUCATION

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- **Ph. D. in Biological Sciences (evolutionary biology focus)** 2014  
University at Buffalo, The State University of New York
  - Advisor: Katharina Dittmar
  - Dissertation: Molecular evolution and ecology of fleas and flea-associated microbial organisms in light of horizontal gene transfer.
- **M. S. in Biological Sciences (molecular biology focus)** 2009  
University at Buffalo, The State University of New York
- **B. S., in Biological Sciences** 2007  
Fudan University

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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- **Assistant Professor** 2020 – present  
School of Life Sciences; Biodesign Center for Fundamental and Applied Microbiomics,  
Arizona State University
- **Postdoctoral Scholar** 2016 – 2020  
Department of Pediatrics, University of California San Diego  
Supervisor: Rob Knight
- **Postdoctoral Fellow** 2014 – 2016  
Department of Genomic Medicine, J. Craig Venter Institute  
Supervisor: Sarah Highlander
- **Research Assistant** 2008 – 2011  
New York State Center of Excellence in Bioinformatics and Life Sciences
- **Undergraduate Researcher** 2005 – 2007  
Fudan University, Lab of Molecular Immunology

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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Google Scholar profile: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=mjkV0pUAAAAJ>

Total papers: 84, citations: 31,159, h-index: 46, i10-index: 73.

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- McDonald D, Jiang Y, Balaban M, et al. Greengenes2 unifies microbial data in a single reference tree. *Nature Biotechnology*. 2024. 42(5):715-718.
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- Fu T, Huan T, Rahman G, et al. Paired microbiome and metabolome analyses associate bile acid changes with colorectal cancer progression. *Cell Reports*. 2023. 42(8):112997.
- Wang Z, Dalton KR, Lee M, et al. Metagenomics reveals novel microbial signatures of farm exposures in house dust. *Frontiers in Microbiology*. 2023. 14:1202194.
- Morton JT, Jin DM, Mills RH, et al. Multi-level analysis of the gut-brain axis shows autism spectrum disorder-associated molecular and microbial profiles. *Nature Neuroscience*. 2023. 26(7):1208-1217.
- Singh K, Pituch P, Zhu Q, et al. Distinct Nausea Profiles Are Associated With Gastrointestinal Symptoms In Oncology Patients Receiving Chemotherapy. *Cancer Nursing*. 2023. 46(2):92-102.
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- Haziza LN, Sepich-Poore GD, Livyatan I, et al. Pan-cancer analyses reveal cancer type-specific fungal ecologies and bacteriome interactions. *Cell*. 2022. 185(20):3789-806.e17.

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## BOOK CHAPTERS

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- Zhu Q, Mirarab S. *Assembling a Reference Phylogenomic Tree of Bacteria and Archaea by Summarizing Many Gene Phylogenies*. In *Environmental Microbial Evolution - Methods in Molecular Biology*. Ed. Luo H. pp. 137-165. Humana, New York, NY. 2022.
- Dittmar K, Zhu Q, Hastriter MW, Whiting MF. Evolutionary history of Siphonaptera: fossils, origins, vectors. In *Parasite Diversity and Diversification - Evolutionary Ecology Meets Phylogenetics*. Ed. Morand S, Krasnov BR, Littlewood DTJ. p. 230. Cambridge University Press. 2015.

## BIOINFORMATICS TOOLS (SELECTED)

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GitHub profile: <https://github.com/qiyunzhu>

- **Scikit-bio**: Versatile Python library for bioinformatics.
- **Woltka**: Phylogeny-guided shotgun metagenomic data analysis tool.
- **Web of Life** (WoL): Reference phylogenetics tree of bacterial and archaeal genomes.
- **BinaRena**: Interactive graphical interface for manual observation and binning of metagenomic contigs.
- **HGTector**: Genome-wide detection of horizontal gene transfer based on BLAST hit distribution statistics.

## PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

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- Zhu Q, Morton JT, McDonald D, et al. Expanding Python library scikit-bio for efficient multi-omic data integration and complex community modeling. *ISMB and BOSC*. Montreal, Canada. 2024.
- Zhu Q. Decoding the fungal dimension of microbiomes. Pre-conference webinar of *Microbiome Data Congress*. Virtual. 2023.
- Secaira-Morocho H, Gonzales-de-Salceda L, Chede A, et al. A comprehensive analysis of diversity and evolution of cell size among bacterial and archaeal species. *Evolution*. Albuquerque, USA. 2023.
- Roush D, Hakim D, Gonzalez A, et al. Synchronized decoding of functional capacities and compositions of metagenomes in a sweep. *RECOMB-CG*. San Diego, USA. 2022.
- Zhu Q. BinaRena: Interactive Visualization and Binning of Metagenomic Contigs. *RECOMB-CG*. San Diego, USA. 2022.
- Zhu Q, Mai U, Pfeiffer W, et al. A Reference Phylogeny of More Than 10,000 Microbial Genomes. *ASM Microbe*. Atlanta, USA. 2018. (oral + poster)

- McCall L, Callewaert C, Zhu Q, et al. Impact of Urbanization and Westernization on the Human-Environment Microbiome and Metabolome. *ASM Microbe*. Atlanta, USA. 2018.
- Zhu Q, Jones MB, Highlander SK. Pathogen Discovery in Travelers' Diarrhea of Unknown Etiology by Metagenomic Sequencing. *ASM-NGS*, Washington, D.C., USA. 2015.
- Zhu Q, Dittmar K. Systematic detection of horizontal gene transfer patterns in Rickettsia using a new method based on Blast hit distribution statistics. *SMBE*. Chicago, USA. 2013.
- Zhu Q, Dittmar K. HGtector: a new approach to prediction of horizontal gene transfer based on Blast hit distribution statistics. *GLBIO*. Pittsburgh, USA. 2013.

## RESEARCH GRANTS

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- **NSF DBI:** **2412446.** Center: PIPP Phase II: Theme 4: Pandemic ESCAPE: Environmental Surveillance Center for Assessing Pathogen Emergence. Role: Senior personnel (23%). ASU PI: Matthew Scotch. Lead PI: Scott Berry (UKY). Amount: \$6,094,449. 2024 – 2031
- **ABRC:** **RFGA2023-008-15.** Enhancing infectious disease detection in Arizona: novel computational approaches to pathogen identification in microbiome data. Role: PI (100%). Amount: \$225,000. 2024 – 2027
- **DOE BER:** **DE-SC0024320.** Expanding Python library scikit-bio for efficient multi-omic data integration and complex community modeling. Role: Lead PI (50%). Co-Is (subawards): James Morton (Gutz Analytics), Rob Knight (UC San Diego). Amount: \$1,049,998. 2023 – 2026
- **NSF XSEDE:** **BIO210103.** Inference and application of a largest and hierarchically organized microbial reference phylogeny. Role: Lead PI. Co-PIs: Rob Knight, Siavash Mirarab, and Wayne Pfeiffer. Amount: Computing resources (equivalent to \$10,513.40). 2021 – 2022

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Instructor, Arizona State University

- **BIO/MBB/MAT 355:** Introduction to Computational Molecular Biology (3 credits) 2021 – present
- **BIO/MIC 494/598:** Microbiome Data Science (3 credits) 2021 – present
- Guest lectures: MIC 598: Microbial Diversity and Environmental Processes, BIO 549: Phylogenetic Biology and Analysis, SEA 598: Marine Microbial Ecology Seminar, EVO 610: Research Areas of Evolution, MIC 501: Foundations in Microbiology, BIO/MIC 498/591: Programming for Biologists
- Quantitative Research for the Life and Social Sciences Program 2021

### Teaching assistant, University at Buffalo

- BIO 200: Evolutionary Biology, BIO 201: Cell Biology, BIO 400/500: Bioinformatics and Genome Analysis, BIO 205/215: Biological Chemistry, BIO 302: Molecular Biology

## MENTORING EXPERIENCE

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### Research group (Zhu Lab), Arizona State University

- Software engineer: 1, postdoctoral scholars: 2, graduate students: 5, undergraduate students: 14, high school student: 1, summer intern students: 2.

**Thesis advisory committee member, Arizona State University**

- Doctorate: 14, Master's: 5, Bachelor's: 2.

**ACADEMIC SERVICES**

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**Peer-reviewer for journals**

- *Advanced Science, Bioinformatics, Bioinformatics and Biology Insights, BMC Genomics, BMC Microbiology, Cell Reports Methods, eLife, European Journal of Clinical Microbiology & Infectious Diseases, Evolutionary Bioinformatics, Frontiers in Microbiology, Gene (Elsevier), Genome Biology, IEEE/ACM Transactions on Computational Biology and Bioinformatics, Journal for ImmunoTherapy of Cancer, Journal of Hazardous Materials, Microbial Ecology, Microbiological Research, Microbiome, Molecular Metabolism, mSystems, Nature Biotechnology, Nature Communications, Nature Reviews Genetics, npj Biofilms and Microbiomes, Nucleic Acids Research, PeerJ, PLOS Computational Biology, PLOS One, PLOS Pathogens, PNAS Nexus, Scientific Reports, SOJ Genetic Science.*

**Peer-reviewer for whole books**

- Springer Nature

**Peer-reviewer for funding agencies**

- Department of Energy (DOE), USA, German Research Foundation (DFG), Germany, National Institutes of Health (NIH), USA, National Science Foundation (NSF), USA, Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU), USA

**Guest editor for journal**

- *Evolutionary Bioinformatics* 2014 – 2015

**Conference organization**

- **Workshop organizer and instructor:** Multi-omic data integration for microbiome research using scikit-bio. *ISMB*, Montreal, Canada 2024
- **Committee member and session chair:** *Microbiome Data Congress*. Boston, USA 2023
- **Session chair:** Bioinformatics, Genomics (co-chair: Kaixiong Ye). *ICIBM*. Philadelphia, USA 2022
- **Session chair:** Metagenomics & Genome Rearrangments. *RECOMB-CG*. San Diego, USA 2022