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Research Interests:

Cancer biomarker identification, RNA-seq/microarray data analysis, Biological databases development, Gene expression networks.

Publications:

• The Transcription Factor *Elf3* Is Essential for a Successful Mesenchymal to Epithelial Transition.

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• Opinion Article on Comparative transcriptomics between zebrafish and mammals: a road to discovery of conserved and unique signaling pathways in physiology and disease

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• Cholinergic Receptor Nicotinic Alpha 5 (CHRNA5) RNAi is associated with cell cycle inhibition, apoptosis, DNA damage response and drug sensitivity in breast cancer

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