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Lilly-Asian Scientific Excellence Award, 2006

Burroughs Wellcome Fund Career Awards in the Biomedical Sciences, 2005

Massachusetts General Hospital Fund for Medical Discovery (FMD) Award, 2004

Major Professional Activities:

Editorial Board Member, *EMBO reports*, 2013-

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Ad hoc reviewer for *Nature*, *Nature Cell Biology*, *Development*, *Molecular Biology of the Cell*, *Developmental Biology*, *Developmental Dynamics*, *Autophagy*, *JBC*, *Cell Death and Differentiation*, *Cell Research*.

Publications:

Zhao, Y.G., Zhao, H.Y., Miao, L., Wang, L., Sun, F. and **Zhang, H.** (2012) The p53-induced gene *Ei24* is an essential component of the basal autophagy pathway. *The Journal of Biological Chemistry* (in press).

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- Lu, Q., Yang, P.G., Huang, X.X., Hu, W.Q., Guo, B., Wu, F., Lin, L., Kovács, A.L., Yu, L. and **Zhang, H.** (2011) The WD40 repeat PtdIns(3)P-binding protein EPG-6 regulates progression of omegasomes to autophagosomes. *Developmental Cell* 21, 343-357.
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- Yang, P.G. and **Zhang, H.** (2011) The coiled-coil domain protein EPG-8 plays an essential role in the autophagy pathway in *C. elegans*. *Autophagy* 7, 159-165.
- Ren, H.Y. and **Zhang, H.** (2010) Wnt signaling controls temporal identities of seam cells in *Caenorhabditis elegans*. *Developmental Biology* 345, 144-155.
- Tian, Y., Li, Z.P., Hu, W.Q., Ren, H.Y., Tian, E., Zhao, Y., Lu, Q., Huang, X.X., Yang, P.G., Li, X., Wang, X.C., Kovács, A.L., Yu, L. and **Zhang, H.** (2010) *C. elegans* screen identifies autophagy genes specific to multicellular organisms. *Cell* 141, 1042-1055.
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- Xia, D., Huang, X.X., and **Zhang, H.** (2009) The temporally regulated transcription factor *sel-7* controls developmental timing in *C. elegans*. *Developmental Biology* 332, 246-257.
- Tian, E., Wang, F.X., Han, J.H., and **Zhang, H.** (2009) *epg-1* functions in autophagy-regulated processes and may encode a highly divergent Atg13 homolog in *C. elegans*. *Autophagy* 5, 608-615.
- Zhao, Y., Tian, E., and **Zhang, H.** (2009) Selective autophagic degradation of maternally-loaded germline P granule components in somatic cells during *C. elegans* embryogenesis. *Autophagy* 5, 717-719.
- Zhang, Y.X., Yan, L.B., Zhou, Z., Yang, P.G., Tian E., Zhang, K., Zhao, Y., Li, Z.P., Song, B., Han, J.H., Miao, L., and **Zhang, H.** (2009) SEPA-1 mediates the specific recognition and degradation of P granule components by autophagy in *C. elegans*. *Cell* 136, 308-321.
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- Xia, D., Zhang, Y.X., Huang, X.X., Sun, Y.Y., and **Zhang, H.** (2007) The *C. elegans* CBFbeta homolog, BRO-1, regulates the proliferation, differentiation and specification of the stem cell-like seam cell lineages. ***Developmental Biology*** 309, 259-272.
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- Yang, Y., Sun, Y.Y., Luo, X., Zhang, Y.X., Chen, Y.Y., Tian, E., Lints, R., and **Zhang, H.** (2007) *Polycomb*-like genes are necessary for specification of dopaminergic and serotonergic neurons in *Caenorhabditis elegans*. ***PNAS*** 104, 852-857.
- Zhang, T.T., Sun Y.Y., Tian, E., Deng, H.S., Zhang, Y.X., Luo, X., Cai, Q.Q., Wang, H., Chai, J.J., and **Zhang, H.** (2006) RNA-binding proteins SOP-2 and SOR-1 form a novel PcG-like complex in *C. elegans*. ***Development*** 133, 1023-1033.
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Invited reviews:

Mijaljica, D., Nazarko, T.Y., Brumell, J.H., Huang, W.P., Komatsu, M., Prescott, M., Simonsen, A., Yamamoto, A., **Zhang, H.**, Klionsky, D.J., Devenish, R.J., (2012) Receptor protein complexes are in control of autophagy. *Autophagy* (in press).

Wu, F., and **Zhang, H.** (2011) Dance of the yeast ATGs and worm EPGs. *The Biochemist* 33, 20-22.

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Kovács, A.L. and **Zhang, H.** (2010) Role of autophagy in *Caenorhabditis elegans*. *FEBS letters* 584, 1335-1341.

Sun, Y.Y. and **Zhang, H.** (2005) A unified mode of epigenetic gene silencing: RNA meets *Polycomb* group proteins. *RNA biology* 2, 8-10.

Invited talk:

1. Department of Cancer Biology, University of Massachusetts Medical School, MA (Worcester), November 5, 2012
2. 6th International Symposium on Autophagy, Japan (Okinawa), October 30, 2012
3. School of Life Sciences and School of Medicine, Tsinghua University, Beijing, July 6, 2012
4. Gordon Research Conference, Autophagy in Stress, Development & Disease, California, March 15, 2012
5. Division of Life Science, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, January 17, 2012
6. College of Life Sciences, Capital Normal University, Beijing, December 28, 2011
7. Zing Conferences: Autophagy conference, Mexico, December 9, 2011
8. EMBO conference: Autophagy in Health and Disease, Israel, November 1, 2011
9. Blood Center, Suzhou University, China, October 13, 2011
10. Cold Spring Harbor Asia-Developmental Control of Sex, Growth, and Cellular Fate, Suzhou, China, October 13, 2011
11. The second Japan-Sino autophagy symposium, Shonan, Japan, October 6, 2011
12. The 12nd Chinese Cell Biology Conference, Beijing, July 17, 2011
13. Student invited seminar, College of Life Sciences, Peking University, June 1, 2011
14. Life Sciences Institute, Zhejiang University, May 23, 2011
15. Nanqiang Lecture, Xiamen University, April 29, 2011
16. College of Life Sciences, Huazhong University of Science and Technology, March 26, 2011

17. The Inaugural Xiamen Winter Symposium, Xiamen, February 21, 2011
18. Institute of Biological Sciences, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, December 21, 2010
19. Symposium on *C. elegans* development and aging, National Taiwan University, December 18, 2010
20. 1st Sino-Japan symposium on autophagy, Xi'an, October 15, 2010
21. 2010 National Symposium of Developmental Biology, Beijing, September 17, 2010
22. Department of Physiology and Cell Biology, Tokyo Medical and Dental University (at Tokyo), Japan, July 14, 2010
23. Honor lecture at the Cell Research Award Ceremony, Shanghai, July 8, 2010
24. College of Life Sciences, Nankai University, Tianjing, June 28, 2010
25. 10th Annual Meeting of the Protein Science Society of Japan (at Sapporo), June 16, 2010
26. Frontiers in Developmental, Stem cell and Systems Biology Symposium, Beijing, May 12, 2010
27. Department of Anatomy, Cell and Developmental Biology, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, Hungary, May 3, 2010
28. Gordon Research Conference, Autophagy in Stress, Development & Disease, Italy, April 26, 2010
29. Institute of Genetics and Developmental Biology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, April 7, 2010
30. RIKEN, Center for Developmental Biology, Japan, September 30, 2009
31. 5th International Symposium on Autophagy, Japan, September 25, 2009
32. Department of Molecular Microbiology and Immunology, Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California, June 26, 2009
33. Department of Life Science, Changung University, Taiwan, June 19, 2009
34. Institute of Molecular Medicine, Peking University, May 7, 2009
35. Molecular Mechanisms of Developmental Timing (HHMI Janelia Farm Research Campus), May 2008
36. CAS International Symposium on Model Organisms and Diseases (Beijing), October 2006
37. 15th International *C. elegans* Meeting (Los Angeles, California), July 2005