

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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EDUCATION/TRAINING <i>(Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as</i>			
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	YEAR(s)	FIELD OF STUDY
Jining Medical College, China	M.D	1982	Medicine
Shandong Medical University, China	M.S.	1991	Cardiovasology
Uppsala University, Sweden	Ph.D.	2002	Physiology & Cell Biology

A. Personal Statement

Tubuloglomerular feedback (TGF) is an intrarenal regulatory process by which increased flow *via* increases of NaCl delivery at the macula densa causes the afferent arteriole to constrict, thereby decreasing glomerular filtration rate (GFR) and tubular flow and preventing NaCl delivery to the distal nephron from increasing excessively. The mechanisms of TGF regulation have been studied both *in vitro* by microperfusion and *in vivo* by micropuncture. However, the long-term roles of TGF responsiveness are only assumptions from these acute experiments. We still do not know whether TGF play any roles in control of salt-water balance and hemodynamics. The major focus of our research is to determine the significance of TGF responsiveness in physiological and pathological situations, such as in volume homeostasis, salt-sensitive hypertension, acute kidney injury, chronic kidney diseases and diabetic nephropathy.

We utilize state-of-the-art and/or sophisticated techniques such as microperfusion of kidney tubules and arterioles *in vitro*, micropuncture *in vivo*, fluorescent imaging in perfused tubules or arterioles, laser capture microdissection, molecular biology, cell biology, whole-animal physiology, and tissue specific knockout and transgenic animal models.

B. Positions and Honors

Positions and Employment:

1984 – 1988	Resident, Internal Medicine, Guangrao Hospital of Dongying City, China
1988 – 1991	Fellowship, Cardiology Department, Shandong Medical University, Master's degree in Cardiology, China
1991 – 1998	Cardiologist, Cardiology Department, Shandong Province Hospital.
1998 – 2002	Ph.D. student/Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Cell Biology, Uppsala University, Sweden.
2002 – 2007	Associate Staff Investigator/Research Scientist, Hypertension and Vascular Research Division, Henry Ford Hospital.
2007 – 2008	Senior Staff Investigator, Hypertension and Vascular Research Division, Henry Ford Hospital.
2008 – 2010	Assistant Professor, Department of Physiology & Biophysics, Director, Renal Microcirculatory Central Laboratory Division of Nephrology, Department of Medicine University of Mississippi Medical Center
2010 – 2014	Associate Professor, Department of Physiology & Biophysics, Director, Renal Microcirculatory Central Laboratory

2014 – date
Division of Nephrology, Department of Medicine
University of Mississippi Medical Center
Professor, Department of Molecular Pharmacology and Physiology,
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Honors and Awards:

2003 New Investigator Travel Award, American Heart Association.
2004 New Investigator Award for U.S. Fellows, American Heart Association.
2005 Young Investigator Award, Inter-American Hypertension Society.
2009 Excellence in Research Gold Award, University of Mississippi Medical Center

C. Selected peer-reviewed publications (in chronological order).

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 10. **Liu R**, Persson AEG. Angiotensin II Stimulates Calcium and Nitric Oxide Release From Macula Densa Cells Through AT1 Receptors. *Hypertension.* 2004;43:649-53.
 11. Persson AEG, Ollerstam A, **Liu R**, Brown R. Mechanisms for macula densa cell release of renin. *Acta Physiol Scand.* 2004;181:471-4.
 12. **Liu R**, Ren Y, Garvin J L, Carretero O A. Superoxide enhances tubuloglomerular feedback by constricting the afferent arteriole. *Kidney Int.* 2004;66:268-74.
 13. Ren Y, Carretero OA, **Liu R**, Garvin GL. Role of macula densa adenosine triphosphate (ATP) in tubuloglomerular feedback. *Kidney Int.* 2004;66:1479-85.
 14. **Liu R**, Persson AEG. Simultaneous changes of cell volume and cytosolic calcium concentration in macula densa cells caused by alterations of luminal NaCl concentration. *J Physiol.* 2005;563:895-901.
 15. **Liu R**, Carretero OA, Ren Y, Garvin JL. Increased intracellular pH at the macula densa activates nNOS during tubuloglomerular feedback. *Kidney Int.* 2005;67:1837-43,
 16. Ren Y, Garvin JL, **Liu R**, Carretero OA. Possible mechanism of efferent arteriole (Ef-Art) tubuloglomerular feedback. *Kidney Int.* 2007;71:861-6.
 17. **Liu R**, Garvin JL, Ren Y, Pagano PJ, Carretero OA. Depolarization of the macula densa induces superoxide production via NAD(P)H oxidase. *Am J Physiol Renal Physiol.* 2007;292:F1867-72.
 18. Ren Y, Garvin JL, **Liu R**, Carretero OA. Crosstalk between the connecting tubule and the afferent arteriole regulates renal microcirculation. *Kidney Int.* 2007;71:1116-21.
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19. **Liu R**, Carretero OA, Ren Y, Wang H, Garvin JL. Intracellular pH regulates superoxide production by the macula densa. PMID: PMC2536876. *Am J Physiol Renal Physiol.* 2008;295:F851-6.
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Research Support

ACTIVE

R01DK099276 (Liu)	06/01/2014—05/31/2018	3.6 calendar
NIH/NIDDK	\$995,064	
Primary cilia and modulation of the renal microcirculation		
Role: PI		

The major goal of this project is to study the role of primary cilia on the macula densa regulated by the tubular flow in control of renal hemodynamics and salt-water balance.

R01DK098582 (Liu)	09/01/2013– 05/31/2017	3.6 calendar
NIH/NIDDK	\$1,327,000	
Tubuloglomerular feedback and salt-sensitive hypertension.		
Role: PI		

The major goals of this project are to study the expression and role of splice variants of NOS1 expressed in the macula densa in control of tubuloglomerular feedback, salt-water balance and blood pressure.

13POST14220006 (Mentor)	01/01/2013– 12/31/2014
AHA post-doctoral fellowship award for Y. Lu.	\$99,000
Nitric oxide in the macula densa protects against Ang II-induced hypertension and renal injury	
Role: Mentor	

This project examines the protective role of nitric oxide in the macula densa in the development of hypertension and renal injury.

PAST

11POST7840039 (Mentor) 7/1/2011– 6/31/2013
AHA post-doctoral fellowship award for Y. Fu. \$98,000
Renal NO bioavailability and hypertension.
Role: Mentor
This project investigates the interactions between nitric oxide and superoxide in the macula densa in hypertensive animals.

R01HL086767-03 (Liu) 08/10/2007 – 05/31/2012
NIH/NHLBI \$1,650,000
Regulation of Macula Densa Superoxide during Tubuloglomerular Feedback.
Role: PI
The major goal of this study is to investigate the factors that regulate superoxide production by the macula densa during tubuloglomerular feedback.

R01HL086767-02S1 (Liu) 07/15/2009 - 06/30/2011
NIH/NHLBI \$217,856
Regulation of Macula Densa Superoxide during Tubuloglomerular Feedback.
Role: PI
This is an administrative supplement award for grant R01HL086767.

R01 DK073401(Juncos) 7/1/2006– 6/30/2011
NIH/NIDDK \$1,525,000
Subpressor ANGII Determines Acute & Chronic Renal Injury.
Role: Co-Investigator
The major goals of this project are to define how the balance between inflammation (MCP-1) and heme oxygenase affect renal function and determine the severity/progression of hypertension and renal injury.

SDG – AHA (0630288N) (Liu) 01/01/2006 – 12/31/2009
AHA \$260,000
Regulation of Macula Densa NAD(P)H Oxidase Activity during Tubuloglomerular Feedback.
Role: PI
This study investigates some of the factors that regulate NAD(P)H oxidase activity of the macula densa during tubuloglomerular feedback.

Grant-in-Aid – AHA (0555563Z) (Ren) 7/1/2005 -- 6/30/2007
Mechanisms of myogenic response in spontaneously hypertensive rat (SHR)
Role: Co-Investigator
This study investigates factors that are involved in myogenic response in hypertensive animals.
