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Research Interest

Our research aims to dissect the genetic mechanism underlying the most important economical traits in chicken breeding. We are particularly interested in studying the genetic mechanisms that regulate the complex, polygenic traits in computational and bioinformatic ways and to decipher how these contribute to adaptation and evolution.

Education & Working Experience

2016.03 – Now	associated professor in department of animal science and technology,
	Huazhong Agricultural University
2013.08 - 2015.12	Postdoc in computational genetics, Swedish University of Agricultural
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