

# Curriculum Vitae

## A. Basic Information

NAME, SURNAME (EMAIL)	CURRENT POSITION	BIRTH INFOMATION		
<b>Chung-Chau, HON</b> <a href="mailto:chungchau.hon@riken.jp">chungchau.hon@riken.jp</a>	<b>Research Scientist,</b> Genome Information Analysis Team, Division of Genomic Technology, <b>RIKEN Center for Life Science Technologies,</b> <b>Yokohama, Japan</b>	22/04/1979 Male, Age: <b>35</b> , <b>Hong Kong</b>		
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## EDUCATION and TRAINING

Institution (Location)	Degree / Position	Year	Subject
The University of Hong Kong <b>(Hong Kong)</b>	Bachelor of Science	1998-2001	Molecular Biotechnology, General Bioinformatics <b>Supervisor:</b> Prof. Frederick Chi-Ching Leung <a href="mailto:fcleung@hkucc.hku.hk">fcleung@hkucc.hku.hk</a>
The University of Hong Kong <b>(Hong Kong)</b>	Master of Philosophy	2001-2003	Molecular Virology <b>Supervisor:</b> Prof. Frederick Chi-Ching Leung <a href="mailto:fcleung@hkucc.hku.hk">fcleung@hkucc.hku.hk</a>
IBM Computational Biology Center <b>(New York, USA)</b>	Computational biologist (Intern)	2005	Massively parallel molecular dynamics simulations <b>Supervisor:</b> Dr. Ruhong Zhou <a href="mailto:ruhongz@us.ibm.com">ruhongz@us.ibm.com</a>
The University of Hong Kong <b>(Hong Kong)</b>	Doctor of Philosophy	2003-2008	Population Genetics of Viruses <b>Supervisor:</b> Prof. Frederick Chi-Ching Leung <a href="mailto:fcleung@hkucc.hku.hk">fcleung@hkucc.hku.hk</a>

## EXPERTISE by TOPICS (Duration)

- Genomics and transcriptomics of protozoan parasites (**3 years**);
- Designing and analyzing RNA-Seq experiments (**3 years**);
- Gene regulation by small RNA and long non-coding RNA in protozoan parasites (**2 years**);
- Comparative genomics of closely related species (**3 years**);
- Gene expression analyses using microarray and RNA-Seq (**5 years**);
- Phylogenetics and population genetics of viruses (**8 years**);
- Origins of emerging viral diseases (**8 years**);
- Massively parallel molecular dynamics simulations (**1 year**);

## EXPERTISE by TECHNIQUES (Level)

- Development of custom scripts for analyses of next generation sequencing data (**proficient**);
- Genome-wide mapping of transcription start sites and polyadenylation sites of Pol II transcripts (**proficient**);
- Discovery of cis-regulatory motifs for transcription initiation and polyadenylation (**semi-proficient**);
- Revision of gene models and annotation of antisense transcripts using RNA-Seq (**proficient**);
- Annotation of alternative splicing transcript isoforms using RNA-Seq (**proficient**);
- Characterization of endogenous small RNA populations using RNA-Seq (**proficient**);
- Differential expression and functional enrichment analyses based on next generation sequencing data (**semi-proficient**);
- Weighted gene correlation network analyses using microarray expression data (**semi-proficient**);
- Identification of orthologous and syntenic genes between closely related species (**proficient**);
- Application of Bayesian, parsimony and likelihood methods in population genetics (**semi-proficient**);
- Large scale genotyping of viruses (**proficient**);

## **B. Postdoctoral Employment**

### **I. Research Scientist,**

Genome Information Analysis Team, Division of Genomic Technology,  
RIKEN Center for Life Science Technologies (Yokohama, Japan)

**2014-Now**

- **Topic:** long non-coding RNA
- **Supervisor:** Dr Alistair Forrest; email: [forrest@gsc.riken.jp](mailto:forrest@gsc.riken.jp)

### **II. Senior Postdoctoral Fellow,**

Cellular Biology of Parasitism Unit & Transcriptome and Epigenome Platform of Genopole  
Institute of Pasteur (Paris)

**2011-2014**

- **Topic:** Application of Next Generation Sequencing on Comparative genomics and Transcriptomics of Entamoeba;
- **Supervisor:** Dr Nancy Guillen; email: [nguillen@pasteur.fr](mailto:nguillen@pasteur.fr)

### **III. Postdoctoral Fellow,**

Cellular Biology of Parasitism Unit,  
Institute of Pasteur (Paris)

**2008-2011**

- **Topic:** Genomics of Entamoeba;
- **Supervisor:** Dr Nancy Guillen; email: [nguillen@pasteur.fr](mailto:nguillen@pasteur.fr)

## **C. Competitive External Funds**

### **I. Agence Nationale Recherche Genomic Grant 2010**

**2010-2013**

- **Title:** Understanding the Pathogenicity of *Entamoeba* Using Comparative Transcriptomics and Phylogenomics
- **Amount:** €641,744 (US\$869,258), in total for 3 years;
- **Role:** Proposal writing, project management, corresponding author, high throughput sequencing data analysis

## **D. Skill Sets**

### **I. Computational Skills (Level)**

- Perl scripting (**proficient**);
- Unix command line, system maintenance and software compiling and installation (**proficient**);
- Shell scripting (**semi-proficient**);
- Python scripting (**amateur**);

### **II. Next Generation Sequencing Data Analysis Skills (Level)**

- Basic read data mapping using **bowtie**, **tophat**, **eXpress**, **SOAP** etc (**proficient**);
- Basic read data format handling using **samtools**, **picard**, **bamtools**, **fastqc** etc (**proficient**);
- Discovery of transcription start sites and polyadenylation sites using **custom scripts** (**proficient**);
- Transcriptome assembly using **cufflinks** and **custom scripts** (**proficient**);
- Genome-wide discovery of cis-regulatory motifs using **MEME suite** and **custom scripts** (**proficient**);
- Annotation of long non-coding and antisense transcripts using **custom scripts** (**proficient**);

### **III. Gene Expression Data and System Biology Analysis Skills (Level)**

- Differential expression analyses using **DESeq**, **Cuffdiff**, **EdgeR** etc (**proficient**);
- Functional enrichment analyses using **GSEA**, **GOSeq**, **FUNC\_hyper**, etc (**proficient**);
- Gene co-expression network analyses using **WGCNA**, **Cytoscape** and **custom scripts** (**semi-proficient**);

### **IV. Comparative Genomic Analysis Skills (Level)**

- Identification of orthologous genes using **orthoMCL** and **inparanoid** (**proficient**);
- Identification of syntenic genes using **DAGChainer** etc (**semi-proficient**);
- Genome-wide protein family clustering and classification using spectral clustering (**SCPS**) (**proficient**);

### **V. Phylogenetic and Population Genetics Analysis Skills (Level)**

- Bayesian based molecular clock and coalescent analyses using **BEAST** (**proficient**);
- Likelihood based selection pressure analyses using **PAML** and **HyPhy** (**semi-proficient**);
- Large scale phylogeny reconstruction using **PAML**, **PAUP\***, **mrBayes**, **BEAST** etc (**proficient**);

## D. Publications

(Abstracts can be found at <http://genomebytes.wordpress.com/publications/>)

### I. Genomics and Transcriptomics

1. Zhang, Q., Siegel, T.N., Martins, R.M., Wang, F., Cao, J., Gao, Q., Cheng, X., Jiang, L., **Hon, C.-C.**, Scheidig-Benatar, C., Sakamoto H., Turner L., Jensen A. T. R., Claes A., Guizetti J., Malmquist N.A, and Scherf A. (2014) Exonuclease-mediated degradation of nascent RNA silences genes linked to severe malaria. *Nature*, 10.1038/nature13468.
2. Reynolds, D., Cliffe, L., Förstner, K., **Hon, C.-C.**, Siegel, T and Sabatini, R. Regulation of Transcription Termination by Glucosylated Hydroxymethyluracil, Base J, in Leishmania major and Trypanosoma brucei. (2014) *Nucleic Acids Res* **in press**.
3. **Hon,C.-C.**, Weber, C., Sismeiro, O., Proux, C., Koutero, M., Deloger, M., Das, S., Agrahari, M., Dillies, M.-A., Jagla, B., Coppee, J.Y., Bhattacharya, A. and Guillen, N. (2012) Quantification of stochastic noise of splicing and polyadenylation in Entamoeba histolytica. *Nucleic Acids Res*, 10.1093/nar/gks1271. (*Corresponding and first author*).
4. Vasquez,J.-J., **Hon,C.-C.**, Vanselow J.T., Schlosser A. and Siegel, T.N (2013). Comparative ribosome-profiling reveals extensive translational complexity in different Trypanosoma brucei life-cycle stages. *Nucleic Acids Res* 10.1093/nar/gkt1386
5. Thibeaux, R., Weber, C., **Hon,C.-C.**, Dillies, M.-A., Copee, J.Y., Labruye, E. and Guillen, N. (2013). Identification of the virulence landscape essential for Entamoeba histolytica invasion of the human colon. *PLoS Pathogens*, 9(12):e1003824.
6. Njoya, E.M., Weber, C., Hernandez-Cuevas, N.A., **Hon,C.-C.**, Janin, Y., Kamini, M.F.G., Moundipa, P.F and Guillén, N (2013). Bioassay-guided fractionation of Codiaeum variegatum's aqueous extract killing Entamoeba histolytica target ceramide biosynthesis. *PLoS Negl Trop Dis*, 8(1): e2607.
7. **Hon,C.-C.**, Weber,C., Koutero,M., Coppée,J.-Y., Deloger,M and Guillen,N. Surveying Entamoeba histolytica transcriptome using massively parallel cDNA sequencing. In '**Amebiasis: Biology and Pathogenesis of Entamoeba**' by SPRINGER **In Press**. (*Corresponding and first author*)
8. Janbon, G., Ormerod, K. L., Paulet , D., Byrnes, E., Chatterjee, G., Yadav, V., **Hon,C.-C.**, A., Cuomo, C. A., Dietrich, F. S., Billmyre, Brunel, F., Bahn Y.-S., Chen, W., Chen, Y., Chow E. W. L., Coppée, J.Y., Floyd-Averette, A., Gaillardin C., Gerik, K. J., Goebels, C., Goldberg, J., Gonzalez-Hilarion S., Gujja, S., Hamlin, J. L., Hsueh, Y.-P., Ianiri, G., Jones, S., Kodira, C. D., Lam, W., Marra, M., Mesner, L. D., Mieczkowski, P.A., Moyrand, F., Nielsen, K., Proux, C., Rossignol, T., Schein1, J. E., Sun, S., Wood, I. A., Zeng, Q., Neuvéglise, C., Newlon, C. S., Perfect, J. R., Lodge, J. K., Idnurm, A., Stajich, J. E., Kronstad, J. W., Sanya, K., Heitman, J., Fraser, J., Cuomo C. A. and Dietrich F. (2013). The genome sequence of Cryptococcus neoformans var. grubii reveals complex mechanisms of RNA expression and virulence plasticity. *PLoS Genetics* 10.1371/journal.pgen.1004261
9. Siegel, N, **Hon,C.-C.**, Zhang,Q., Lopez-Rubio,J.J., Coppée,J.-Y., Sismeiro,O and Scherf,A. (2014) Strand-specific RNA-Seq reveals widespread and developmentally regulated transcription of natural antisense transcripts in *Plasmodium falciparum*. *BMC Genomics* 10.1186/1471-2164-15-150
10. Santi-Rocca,J., Smith,S., Weber,C., Pineda,E., **Hon,C.-C.**, Saavedra,E., Olivos-García,A., Rousseau,S., Dillies,M.-A., Coppée,J.-Y. and Guillén, N (2012) Endoplasmic reticulum stress-sensing mechanism is activated in Entamoeba histolytica upon treatment with nitric oxide. *PLoS ONE*, 7, e31777.
11. Marquay Markiewicz,J., Syan,S., **Hon,C.-C.**, Weber,C., Faust,D. and Guillen,N. (2011) A proteomic and cellular analysis of uropods in the pathogen Entamoeba histolytica. *PLoS Negl Trop Dis*, 5, e1002.
12. **Hon,C.-C.**, Nakada-Tsukui,K., Nozaki,T. and Guillen,N. (2009) Dissecting the actin cytoskeleton of Entamoeba histolytica from a genomic perspective. *In Anaerobic Parasitic Protozoa: Genomics and Molecular Biology*. Edited by G. C. Clark, P. J. Johnson & A. R.D. Tucson AZ, USA: Caister Academic Press. (*First author*)
13. Yeung,Y.S., Yip,C.W., **Hon,C.-C.**, Chow,K.Y.C., Ma,I.C.M., Zeng,F. and Leung,F.C.C. (2008) Transcriptional profiling of Vero E6 cells over-expressing SARS-CoV S2 subunit: insights on viral regulation of apoptosis and proliferation. *Virology*, 371, 32–43.

14. Wang,Y., Zeng,F., **Hon,C.-C.**, Zhang,Y. and Leung,F.C.C. (2008) The mitochondrial genome of the Basidiomycete fungus Pleurotus ostreatus (oyster mushroom). *FEMS Microbiol Lett*, 280, 34–41.
15. Wong,R.T.-Y., **Hon,C.-C.**, Zeng,F. and Leung,F.C.C. (2007) Screening of differentially expressed transcripts in infectious bursal disease virus-induced apoptotic chicken embryonic fibroblasts by using cDNA microarrays. *J Gen Virol*, 88, 1785–1796.
16. Zeng,F., **Hon,C.-C.**, Sit,W.-H., Chow,K.Y.-C., Hui,R.K.-H., Law,I.K.-M., Ng,V.W.-L., Yang,X.-T., Leung,F.C.C. and Wan,J.M.-F. (2005) Molecular characterization of Coriolus versicolor PSP-induced apoptosis in human promyelotic leukemic HL-60 cells using cDNA microarray. *Int J Oncol*, 27, 513–523.
17. Cheung,K.H., **Hon,C.-C.**, and Leung,F.C.C. (2003) Illustration of Enhanced Features of Visual Genome Explorer Beta 2.1 by Comparative Analysis of Helicobacter pylori Strains 26695 and J99 Genomes. *Biocomputing: Computer Tools for Biologists*.
18. **Hon,C.-C.**, Chow,Y.C., Zeng,F.Y. and Leung,F.C.C. (2003) Genetic authentication of ginseng and other traditional Chinese medicine. *Acta Pharmacol Sin*, 24, 841–846. (*First author*)

## **II. Phylogenetics and Population Genetics**

19. Lam,T.T.-Y., Chong,Y.L., Shi,M., **Hon,C.-C.**, Li,J., Martin,D.P., Tang,J.W.-T., Mok,C.-K., Shih,S.-R., Yip,C.W., Jiang, J., Hui, R.K., Pybus, O.G., Holmes, E.C., and Leung, F.C.C. (2013) Systematic phylogenetic analysis of influenza A virus reveals many novel mosaic genome segments. *Infect Genet Evol*, 10.1016/j.meegid.2013.03.015.
20. Lam,T.T.-Y., **Hon,C.-C.**, Lemey,P., Pybus,O.G., Shi,M., Tun,H.M., Li,J., Jiang,J., Holmes,E.C. and Leung,F.C.C. (2012) Phydynamics of H5N1 avian influenza virus in Indonesia. *Mol Ecol*, 21, 3062–3077.
21. Shi,M., Lam,T.T.-Y., **Hon,C.-C.**, Hui,R.K.-H., Faaberg,K.S., Wennblom,T., Murtaugh,M.P., Stadejek,T. and Leung,F.C.C. (2010) Molecular epidemiology of PRRSV: a phylogenetic perspective. *Virus Res*, 154, 7–17.
22. Li,Y., Ge,X., **Hon,C.-C.**, Zhang,H., Zhou,P., Zhang,Y., Wu,Y., Wang,L.-F. and Shi,Z. (2010) Prevalence and genetic diversity of adeno-associated viruses in bats from China. *J Gen Virol* 91, 2601–2609.
23. Shi,M., Lam,T.T.-Y., **Hon,C.-C.**, Murtaugh,M.P., Davies,P.R., Hui,R.K.-H., Li,J., Wong,L.T.-W., Yip,C.W., Jiang,J.-W., and Leung,F.C.C. (2010) Phylogeny-based evolutionary, demographical, and geographical dissection of North American type 2 porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome viruses. *J Virol*, 84, 8700–8711.
24. Yuan,J., **Hon,C.-C.**, Li,Y., Wang,D., Xu,G., Zhang,H., Zhou,P., Poon,L.L.M., Lam,T.T.-Y., Leung,F.C.C., and Shi,Z. (2010) Intraspecies diversity of SARS-like coronaviruses in Rhinolophus sinicus and its implications for the origin of SARS coronaviruses in humans. *J Gen Virol*, 91, 1058–1062. (*Equally contributed first author*)
25. Lam,T.T.-Y., **Hon,C.-C.**, and Tang,J.W. (2010) Use of phylogenetics in the molecular epidemiology and evolutionary studies of viral infections. *Critical Reviews in Clinical Laboratory Sciences*, 47, 5–49.
26. Yip,C.W., **Hon,C.-C.**, Shi,M., Lam,T.T.-Y., Chow,K.Y.-C., Zeng,F. and Leung,F.C.C. (2009) Phylogenetic perspectives on the epidemiology and origins of SARS and SARS-like coronaviruses. *Infect Genet Evol*, 9, 1185–1196.
27. **Hon,C.-C.**, Lam,T.T.-Y., Yip,C.W., Wong,R.T.-Y., Shi,M., Jiang,J., Zeng,F. and Leung,F.C.C. (2008) Phylogenetic evidence for homologous recombination within the family Birnaviridae. *J Gen Virol*, 89, 3156–3164. (*First author*)
28. **Hon,C.-C.**, Lam,T.-Y., Shi,Z.-L., Drummond,A.J., Yip,C.W., Zeng,F., Lam,P.-Y. and Leung,F.C.C. (2008) Evidence of the recombinant origin of a bat severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS)-like coronavirus and its implications on the direct ancestor of SARS coronavirus. *J Virol*, 82, 1819–1826. (*First author*)
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31. Lam,T.T.-Y., **Hon,C.-C.**, Pybus,O.G., Kosakovsky Pond,S.L., Wong,R.T.-Y., Yip,C.W., Zeng,F. and Leung,F.C.C. (2008) Evolutionary and transmission dynamics of reassortant H5N1 influenza virus in Indonesia. *PLoS Pathog*, 4, e1000130.

32. Ma,C.M., **Hon,C.-C.**, Lam,T.-Y., Li,V.Y.-Y., Wong,C.K.-W., de Oliveira,T. and Leung,F.C.C. (2007) Evidence for recombination in natural populations of porcine circovirus type 2 in Hong Kong and mainland China. *J Gen Virol*, 88, 1733–1737.
33. **Hon,C.-C.**, Lam,T.-Y., Drummond,A., Rambaut,A., Lee,Y.-F., Yip,C.W., Zeng,F., Lam,P.-Y., Ng,P.T.W. and Leung,F.C.C. (2006) Phylogenetic analysis reveals a correlation between the expansion of very virulent infectious bursal disease virus and reassortment of its genome segment B. *J Virol*, 80, 8503–8509. (*First author*)
34. Guan,Y., Peiris,J.S.M., Zheng,B., Poon,L.L.M., Chan,K.H., Zeng,F.Y., Chan,C.W.M., Chan,M.N., Chen,J.D., Chow,K.Y.C. **Hon,C.-C.**, Hui, K.H., Li, J., Li, V.Y.Y., Wang, Y., Leung, S.W., Yuen, K.Y. and Leung F.C. (2004) Molecular epidemiology of the novel coronavirus that causes severe acute respiratory syndrome. *Lancet*, 363, 99–104.
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36. Zeng,F.Y., Chan,C.W.M., Chan,M.N., Chen,J.D., Chow,K.Y.C., **Hon,C.-C.**, Hui,K.H., Li,J., Li,V.Y.Y., Wang, C.Y. Hui, K.H., Li, J., Li, V.Y.Y., Wang, C.Y., Wang, P.Y., Guan, Y., Zheng, B., Poon, L.L.M., Chan, K.H., Yuen, K.Y., Peiris, J.S.M., and Leung F.C. (2003) The complete genome sequence of severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus strain HKU-39849 (HK-39). *Exp. Biol. Med. (Maywood)*, 228, 866–873.

### **III. Molecular Virology and Immunology**

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39. Chow,K.Y., Yeung,Y.S., **Hon,C.-C.**, Zeng,F., Law,K.M. and Leung,F.C. (2008) SARS coronavirus and apoptosis. *Hong Kong Med J*, 14 Suppl 4, 8–13.
40. Yip,C.W., Yeung,Y.S., Ma,C.M., Lam,P.-Y., **Hon,C.-C.**, Zeng,F. and Leung,F.C.C. (2007) Demonstration of receptor binding properties of VP2 of very virulent strain infectious bursal disease virus on Vero cells. *Virus Res*, 123, 50–56.
41. Yip,C.W., **Hon,C.-C.**, Zeng,F., Chow,K.Y.C., Chan,K.H., Peiris,J.S.M. and Leung,F.C.C. (2007) Naturally occurring anti-Escherichia coli protein antibodies in the sera of healthy humans cause analytical interference in a recombinant nucleocapsid protein-based enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay for serodiagnosis of severe acute respiratory syndrome. *Clin. Vaccine Immunol.*, 14, 99–101.
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### **IV. Massively Parallel Molecular Dynamics Simulations**

46. Zhou,R., Eleftheriou,M., **Hon,C.-C.**, Germain,R.S., Royyuru,A.K. and Berne,B.J. (2008) Massively parallel molecular dynamics simulations of lysozyme unfolding. *IBM J Res Dev*, 52, 19–30.