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QUALIFICATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Postdoctoral fellow, Harvard Medical School, 2010-2011

Ph.D., Harvard University, 2004-2010

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MAJOR RESEARCH INTERESTS

Membrane assembly and lipid trafficking in Gram-negative bacteria and mycobacteria

Membrane protein biochemistry

Chemical biology

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

1. Thong SH, Ercan B, Torta F, Fong ZY, Wong HYA, Wenk MR, Chng SS[#] (2016) Defining key roles for auxiliary proteins in an ABC transporter that maintains bacterial outer membrane lipid asymmetry. *eLife* 5:e19042. ([#]corresponding author)
2. Chong ZS, Woo WF, Chng SS[#] (2015) Osmoporin OmpC forms a complex with MlaA to maintain outer membrane lipid asymmetry in *Escherichia coli*. *Mol Microbiol* 98:1133-1146. ([#]corresponding author)
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5. Chimalakonda G, Ruiz N, Chng SS, Garner RA, Kahne D, Silhavy TJ (2011) Lipoprotein LptE is required for the assembly of LptD by the β -barrel assembly machine in the outer membrane of *Escherichia coli*. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA* 108:2492-2497.
6. Freinkman E, Chng SS, Kahne D (2011) The complex that inserts lipopolysaccharide into the bacterial outer membrane forms a two-protein plug-and-barrel. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA* 108:2486-2491.
7. Ruiz N, Chng SS, Hiniker A, Kahne D, Silhavy TJ (2010) Non-consecutive disulfide bond formation in an essential integral outer membrane protein. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA* 107:12245-12250.
8. Chng SS,* Gronenberg LS,* Kahne D (2010) Proteins required for lipopolysaccharide assembly in *Escherichia coli* form a trans-envelope complex. *Biochemistry* 49:4565-4567. (* These authors contributed equally.)
9. Chng SS, Ruiz N, Chimalakonda G, Silhavy TJ, Kahne D (2010) Characterization of the two-protein complex in *Escherichia coli* responsible for lipopolysaccharide assembly at the outer membrane. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA* 107:5363-5368.
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