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A. PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

College/University	<u>Location</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>Degree</u> & <u>Year</u>
Peking University	Beijing, China	Computer Science	B.S., 1984
Grinnell College	Grinnell, Iowa, United States	Psychology	B.A., 1990
Harvard University	Cambridge, MA United States	Psychology/ Comp. Neurosci. Computational	Ph.D., 1995
Salk Institute Howard Hughes Med Institute	La Jolla, CA USA	Neuroscience	Post Doc Fellow, 1997

B. ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2016-present	
2016	Kong
2016-present	Adjunct Research Professor, Mind Resource Network, Albuquerque, NM, USA
2012-2014	Program Director, Cognitive Neuroscience Program, National Science Foundation. Arlington, VA. USA.
2014-2016	Program Director, Office International Science & Engineering (China Program), National Science Foundation. Arlington, VA. USA.
2004-2016	Associate Professor, Psychology (primary) and Neuroscience (adjuct), Univ. of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM. USA
2004-2005	Visiting Professor, Institute of Cognitive Science, University College London, London, UK.
2001-2002	Visiting Professor, Laboratory of Neuroendocrinology, Rockefeller University, New York, NY. USA.
1997-2004	Assistant Professor, Psychology (primary) and Neuroscience(adjuct), Univ. of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM. USA

1984-1986 Software Engineer, Software Institute, Chinese Academy of Science, China

C. SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Romeo, R. D., Tang, A. C. & Sullivan, R. M. (2017). Early-Life Experiences: Enduring Behavioral, Neurological, and Endocrinological Consequences. In *Hormones, Brain and Behavior*, 3rd edition, Vol 5. Oxford: Academic Press; 2017. pp. 133–158.
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- 11. **Tang, A. C.**, Sutherland, M. T., Sun, P., Zhang, Y., Nakazawa, M., Korzekwa, A., Yang, Z. & Ding, M. (2007). Top-down versus bottom-up processing in the human brain: distinct directional influences revealed by integrating SOBI and granger causality. In *International Conference on Independent Component Analysis and Signal Separation* (pp. 802-809). Springer, Berlin, Heidelberg.
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Summary of Research & Service

My research spans many levels of analysis across many disciplines, from whole cell patch, extracellular electrophysiology, neuroendocrinology, psychopharmacoloary, computational modeling, developmental psychobiology, human MEG and EEG, and source separation and localization involving both animal model systems and human subjects. My research has two major themes: (a) enhancement of cognitive, social, emotional, and neural development in animal models and its translation to human development with focus on the role of early experience of stress and maternal influence; (b) development of high-density EEG based brain imaging to enable the study of a learning brain in children and elderly individuals as well as patient populations in the real world context.

Taking leave from academia, I served for two years as the Program Director for the Cognitive Neuroscience Program at the United States National Science Foundation (NSF) conducting reviews of proposals, making funding recommendations, managing the CogNeuro portfolio, coordinating co-funding of highly interdisciplinary projects across units of NSF that span the fields of social, behavioral, and economic sciences, computer information science and engineering, biological sciences, and mathematical and physical sciences. I further served for one and half years as the China Program Director in the Office of International Science & Engineering, NSF, handling review, making funding recommendation, and managing a variety of China related awards for US-China collaboration across all disciplines represented by NSF.

Most recently I took the position of an inaugural director for the newly established Laboratory of Neuroscience for Education (NfE Lab, NfE.edu.hku.hk) at the Faculty of Education, the University of Hong Kong (HKU). The vision of the NfE Lab is to innovate education by leveraging cutting edge neuroscience findings and neuro-technology. The NfE Lab grounds its basic neuroscience research in the context of actual challenges faced by students, parents, teachers, and policy makers---and works to connect the laboratories with the classrooms and homes where real world learning takes place. Its missions are (1) to enhance learning capacity, (2) to improve teaching effectiveness, and (3) to inform policy.