

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Current Status: PhD student (year 5) (Bioinformatics and Systems Biology Program), School of Bioresources and Technology and School of Information Technology, King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (KMUTT), Bangkok, Thailand.

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EDUCATIONAL PROFILE:

2019-2019 (10 months): Internship at Cyanolab, Institute of Biology III, University of Freiburg, Germany.

2018-2018 (15 days): Short-term Study at Saitama University, Japan.

2014-Present: PhD student (Bioinformatics and Systems Biology Program), King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (KMUTT), Bangkok, Thailand.

2014-2014 (46 days): Short-term Study at Osaka University, Japan.

2011-2014: Master's Student (Bioinformatics and Systems Biology Program), King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (KMUTT), Bangkok, Thailand.

2007-2011: Bachelor of Science (Biology), Mahidol University, Thailand.

RESEARCH & EXPERIENCES:

PhD thesis “Exploring new functional photosynthetic genes in photosynthetic prokaryote by gene neighborhood analysis”

Short description: Photosynthetic proteins, especially auxiliary factors, are difficult to identify in wet lab and by common computational approaches. In this work, I developed a new approach using genome neighborhood feature and machine learning approach for identifying photosynthetic proteins and their function (<http://bicep.kmutt.ac.th/photomod>). Also, a new method to visualize genome neighborhood, called photomodGNN is developed.

Internship project 1 (at University of Freiburg) “Identification of small regulatory RNA (sRNA) in *Synechocystis* sp. PCC 6803”

Short description: Many regulatory sRNAs were identified using several conditions of RNA-sequencing, but the function of these sRNA remains to be elucidated. In this work, I integrate computational tools e.g. GLASSgo (sRNA homolog prediction tool) and CopraRNA (sRNA function prediction tool) as a pipeline. Then, I applied the pipeline to automatically identify sRNA function by using the input sequence from transcriptome data of *Synechocystis* sp. PCC 6803.

Internship project 2 (at University of Freiburg) “Bioinformatics analysis of SR1 dual-function RNA from *Bacillus subtilis*”

Short description: SR1 is a regulatory sRNA from the *Bacillus subtilis* which the function remains to be elucidated. In this work, I identified the distribution of SR1 sRNA among Bacterial domain, and also analyzed the diversity of protein-coding sequence, the conservation of gene synteny and potential gene target of SR1. I showed that SR1 is conserved in 12 genera and the function is involved in sporulation and reproduction.

Master’s thesis “Computational design of new peptides based on cyclotide scaffold as HIV-1 gp120 competitive inhibitor”

Short description: Gp120 is an HIV envelope glycoprotein that use for initiating replication cycle. Current gp120-targeting drug is inefficient due to structural barrier of gp120. Cyclotide is a natural

peptide that holds anti-HIV feature. In this work, I constructed a new computational method to automatically modify cyclotide molecule to bind to gp120 protein to increase anti-HIV feature. The method consists of many molecular modelling tools (e.g. 3D modelling, docking and binding scoring) connected as a pipeline which is optimized by genetic algorithm.

Bachelor's senior projects “*The role of gadd45 β in stress response of cholangiocarcinoma cells*”

Short description: Growth arrest and DNA-damage-inducible, beta, also known as *gadd45 β* is involved in the regulation of growth and apoptosis. Its role in cancer cell line, especially the common cancer in Thailand cholangiocarcinoma, remains unclear. In this study, I observed the expression of *gadd45 β* in the level of transcription (RT-PCR) and translation (Western blot assay) in response to drugs of cholangiocarcinoma cell line.

Mini-project

1. Construction of dynamic model of starch accumulation pathway in cassava root
2. Identification of potential secondary metabolites in bloom-forming cyanobacteria via comparative genomic analysis
3. Identification of core conserved coding genes in photosynthetic prokaryotes genome (154 genomes)
4. Building web-based application of miRNA (<http://bicep.kmutt.ac.th/HeteroMirPred>) and non-coding RNA (<http://bicep.kmutt.ac.th/HLRF>) predictions using Flask environments and python programming
5. Building web site for BiCEP research group (<http://bicep.kmutt.ac.th/>)
6. Building web site for Science and Industrial Park (SAI) King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (KMUTT) (<http://www.sai.kmutt.ac.th>)

COMPUTATIONAL SKILLS:

Computational Languages: Python, R and Unix command line

Bioinformatics Tools: Sequence alignment and clustering (BLAST, clustalW, MCL) phylogenetic reconstruction (MEKA, BioPython.Phylo), Network analysis (Cytoscape), Comparative genomic analysis (CMGbiotools), Next-generation sequencing (Bowtie2, Cufflinks), Molecular modelling

(Modeller, Zdock, Rosetta tools, Pymol), Machine learning (Weka, Meka), Database construction (SQLite), etc.

Language Skills: English, Thai (Mother tongue)

LABORATORY SKILLS:

1. Basic biological techniques (e.g. cell culture, DNA extraction, Protein extraction)
2. Basic molecular biology techniques (e.g. PCR, RT-PCR, gene cloning, Western blot, MTT assay).

SCHOLARSHIP:

Received a Short-term Study Scholarship from Japan-Asia Youth Exchange Program in Science for short-term study in Saitama University (1-15 March 2018)

Received a PhD Scholarship from Petchra Pra Jom Klao Research Scholarship, King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (KMUTT), Bangkok, Thailand. (For 3 years)

Received a Short-term Study Scholarship from Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO) for short-term study in Osaka University (12 Sep 2014 - 27 Oct 2014)

Received a Masters Scholarship from Bioinformatics and Systems Biology Program, School of Bioresources and Technology and School of Information Technology, King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (KMUTT), Bangkok, Thailand. (For 2 years)

RECENT TRAINING & WORKSHOP ATTENDED:

Metagenomics Analysis Workshop (as participant), King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (Bang Khun Thian), Bangkok, Thailand (November 23-25, 2016)

Biological Data Analysis Using Perl Programming (as organizer), King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi, Bangkok, Thailand (April 23, 2016).

Biological Data Analysis Using R Programming (as organizer), King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi, Bangkok, Thailand (March 5, 2016).

Comparative Microbial Genomics Analysis Workshop (as participant and organizer), King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi, Bangkok, Thailand (November 30 - December 4, 2015).

Bioinformatics and Drug Design (as lecturer and organizer), King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi, Bangkok, Thailand (November 1, 2014).

PUBLICATIONS:

Proceeding

Sangphukieo, A., Nawae, W., Laomettachit, T., Supasitthimethee, U., & Ruengjitchatchawalya, M. (2015). A new computationally designed cyclotide as a potential HIV-1 gp120 inhibitor. 10th International Symposium of the Protein Society of Thailand. Chulabhorn Research Institute, Don Muang, Bangkok, Thailand.

Journal

Sangphukieo, A., Nawae, W., Laomettachit, T., Supasitthimethee, U., & Ruengjitchatchawalya, M. (2015). Computational design of hypothetical new peptides based on a cyclotide scaffold as HIV gp120 inhibitor. PloS one, 10(10), e0139562.

REPOSITORIES:

Github: <https://github.com/asangphukieo>

Dockerhub: <https://hub.docker.com/u/asangphukieo>

ACADEMIC REFERENCES:

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