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Academic Career

B.S., 1987, Ewha Womans University.; Ph.D., 1999, State University of New York at Buffalo; Post-doc, 1997-2001, Northwestern University (supervisor: Prof. Richard B. Silverman); Molecular Modeler/Computational Chemist, 2001-2005, Tripos, Inc.; Assistant Professor, 2005-2011, Ewha Womans University.; Associate Professor, 2011-2016, Ewha Womans University; Professor, 2016-present, Ewha Womans University; Chair, 2015-2017, Department of Pharmacy, College of Pharmacy, Ewha Womans University; Director, 2020-present, "Global AI Drug Discovery Center"; President, 2022-present, the Korean Biophysical Society; Chair of the Expert Committee on Life Sciences and Medicine, 2021-present, Presidential Advisory Council on Science and Technology of Korea; Associate Editor, 2023-present, ACS Medicinal Chemistry Letters

Selected Publications

1. "Albumin-binding photosensitizer capable of targeting glioma via the SPARC pathway" X. Li, J. S. Oh, Y. Lee, E. C. Lee, M. Yang, N. Kwon, T. W. Ha, D-Y. Hong, Y. Song, H. K. Kim, B. H. Song, S. Choi*, M. R. Lee*, J. Yoon*, Biomaterials Research, 2023, 27, 6412-6423
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8. "In Vivo Albumin Traps Photosensitizer Monomers from Self-Assembled Phthalocyanine Nanovesicles: A Facile and Switchable Theranostic Approach" X. Li, S. Yu, Y. Lee, T. Guo, N. Kwon, D. Lee, S. C. Yeom, Y. Cho, G. Kim, J.-D. Huang*, S. Choi*, K. T. Nam*, J. Yoon*, Journal of the American Chemical Society, 2019, 141(3), 1366-1372 (Cover)
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