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EDUCATION

1996 – 1999
 1994 – 1995
 1991 – 1994
 PhD, University of Cambridge (Supervisor: Prof Andrew B. Holmes)
 B.Sc. (Hons), First Class, National University of Singapore
 B.Sc., National University of Singapore

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Jan 2018 – Chair, School of Physical and Mathematical Sciences,

present Nanyang Technological University

CN Yang Scholars Program, Director, Oct 2013 – present

Cluster Leader, Singapore Membrane Technology Centre (SMTC), Nanyang

Environment & Water Research Institute (NEWRI), Sep 2016 – present

Sept 2016 – Professor, School of Physical and Mathematical Sciences

present Division of Chemistry and Chemical Biology, Nanyang Technological University

School Review Committee for Promotion and Tenure, Feb 2017 – Feb 2018 Chair Advisory Committee members for the 6th Lecturer Promotion Exercise 2017

Division Faculty Search Committee 2017

NTU Research Council (EP1 Chemical Sciences & Chemical Engineering), Sep 2016

- Dec 17

NTU Teaching Council, Sep 2016 - Dec 17

Resource & Advisory Committee, Member, Crescent Hall NTU, Aug 2014 – Dec 17 Program Leader, NITHM (Nanyang Institute of Technology in Health and Medicine) Drug Discovery and Synthetic Biology/Chemical Biology Program, Mar 2013 – Dec

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Apr 2015 – Visiting Professor, Jinan University, Guangzhou, China

Apr 2018

Apr 2012 -

Associate Professor, School of Physical and Mathematical Sciences, Division of

Aug 2016 Chemistry and Chemical Biology, Nanyang Technological University

Associate Chair, Outreach and Undergraduate Admissions, Jan 2013 – May 2014 Assistant Chair, Outreach and Undergraduate Admissions, Oct 2012 – Dec 2012

2010 – Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry

Mar 2012 National University of Singapore

Dean's Chair Professor, 2011 – 2012

Member, Faculty Tenure and Promotion Committee, 2011 - 2012

2010 – 2015 Distinguish Adjunct Professor

Key Laboratory of Natural Medicine and Immuno-Engineering of Henan Province

Henan University, Kaifeng, Henan, P. R. China

May 2003 – Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, National University of Singapore

2009 Chair of Graduate Committee, Medicinal Chemistry Program, Office of Life

Sciences, 2005 - 2010

Member, Graduate Program in Bioengineering, Centre of Life Sciences, 2004 – 2007

Member, Cardiovascular Program, Office of Life Sciences, 2005 – 2007

Mar – Jun 2006 Visiting Scholar

Department of Chemistry, National Taiwan University

2002 – 2003 Research Associate (Supervisor: Prof Robert R. Rando)

Department of Biological Chemistry and Molecular Pharmacology

Harvard Medical School

2000 – 2002 Postdoctoral Fellow (Supervisor: Prof Yoshito Kishi)

Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology, Harvard University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Synthetic Organic Chemistry (Catalysis)
- Biological and Medicinal Chemistry
- Radiochemistry

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- National University of Singapore: CM1121 Basic Organic Chemistry; CM3221Organic Synthesis and Spectroscopy; CM4223 Asymmetric Synthesis; CM3291 Advance Experiments in Organic and Inorganic Chemistry (Lab Module); CM5224 Emerging Concepts in Medicinal Chemistry (Coordinator); CM5291 Experiments in Medicinal Chemistry (Lab Module, Coordinator)
- Nanyang Technological University: CM 3031 Organic Reaction Mechanism and Synthesis;
 CM9082 Drug Design and Discovery, CY1500 Introduction to Research Methodology
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- 6. Y.Kobayashi, **C.H.Tan** and Y.Kishi. Stereochemical assignment of the C21-C38 portion of the Desertomycin/Oasomycin class of natural products via universal NMR databases: Prediction. *Angewandte Chemie International Edition English*, 2000, 39, 4279 4281.
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- 41. **C. H. Tan**, Chiral Brønsted Base Catalyzed Enantioselective Reactions, Department of Chemistry, **University of Science and Technology of China**, Hefei, 4 Nov 2011.
- 42. **C. H. Tan**, Organic Dye-Catalyzed Photoredox Chemistry Using Visible Light, Department of Biology and Chemistry, **City University of Hong Kong**, 26 Nov 2011.
- 43. **C. H. Tan**, Chiral Brønsted Base Catalyzed Enantioselective Reactions, West China School of Pharmacy, **Sichuan University**, Chengdu, 23 Aug 2012.
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- 50. C. H. Tan, Chiral Brønsted Base Catalyzed Enantioselective Reactions, School of Chemistry and Environment, South China Normal University, China, 20 Dec 2012.
- 51. **C. H. Tan**, Development of Chiral Drugs through Organocatalysis, Center for Gene and Cell Engineering, Institute of Biomedical and Health Engineering, **Shenzhen Institutes of Advanced Technology**, Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), China, 21 Dec 2012.
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- 70. **C. H. Tan**, Enantioselective Brønsted Base Reactions Guanidine and Pentanidium Catalysts, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, **National Chung Cheng University**, Taiwan, 3 Feb 2015.
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- C. H. Tan, Enantioselective Brønsted Base Reactions Guanidine and Pentanidium Catalysts, Indian Institute of Science, Education and Research Bhopal (IISERB), Bhopal, India, Department of Chemistry, 18 May 2015.
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- 82. **C. H. Tan**, Pentanidium and Bisguanidinium As Phase Transfer and Ion Pair Catalysts, Department of Chemistry, **Monash University**, Australia, 7 Jun 2016.
- 83. C. H. Tan, Chiral Cationic Ion Pair Catalysis, Institute of Advanced Synthesis, Nanjing Tech University, China, 12 Oct 2016.
- 84. C. H. Tan, Chiral Cationic Ion Pair Catalysis, School of Pharmacy, Fudan University, China, 20 Dec 2016.
- 85. **C. H. Tan**, Chiral Cationic Ion Pair Catalysis, Department of Chemistry, **East China Normal University**, Shanghai, China, 21 Dec 2016.
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- 88. C. H. Tan, Chiral Cationic Ion Pair Catalysis, Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Kyushu University, 14 Feb 2017.
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- 91. **C. H. Tan**, Chiral Cationic Ion Pair Catalysis, College of Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Sciences, **Qingdao Agriculture University**, China, 17 Feb 2017.
- 92. **C. H. Tan**, Chiral Cationic Ion Pair Catalysis, Department of Chemistry, Graduate School of Science, **Kyushu University**, Japan, 20 Feb 2017.
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- 94. **C. H. Tan**, Chiral Cationic Ion Pair Catalysis, Department of Chemistry, **University of British Columbia**, Canada, 11 May 2017.
- 95. **C. H. Tan**, Chiral Cationic Ion Pair Catalysis, State Key Laboratory of Applied Organic Chemistry, **Lanzhou University**, China, 30 Oct 2017.
- 96. C. H. Tan, Chiral Cationic Ion Pair Catalysis, Research School of Chemistry, Australian National University, Australia, 16 May 2018.
- 97. C. H. Tan, Chiral Cationic Ion Pair Catalysis, l'UFR de chimie, Sorbonne Université and Institut Parisien de Chimie Moléculaire, France, 14 Jun 2018.
- 98. C. H. Tan, Chiral Cationic Ion Pair Catalysis, Department of Chemistry, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, 10 Aug 2018.

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- Development of a Novel Hetero Diels-Alder Reaction for the Synthesis of Fused Cyclic Polyether Class of Bioactive Compounds (ARF) R-143-000-196-101 01.05.2003 to 31.03.2006 \$124315.70
- Catalysis of Cycloaddition Reactions Using Ureas, Thioureas and Amidines Ions (ARF) R-143-000-222-112 01.02.2004 to 31.01.2007 \$123000
- 3. Novel Engineered Cells through Cell Surface Engineering (OLS seed fund)

The Development of Novel Cell Surface Chemistry (ARF) R-143-000-274-112 01.08.2005 to 31.07.2008 \$113977 5. Inhibitor design through the structural study of human cystathionine-γ-lyase/ inhibitor complex (cross-fac – ORE) R-143-000-311-123 01.11.2006 to 31.10.2007 \$35000 The Bifunctional Organocatalytic Approach to the Butenolide Synthon (ARF) R-143-000-337-112 01.07.2007 to 30.06.2010 7. Development of Novel Catalysts and Catalytic Technologies (ARF – seed for RCE) R-143-000-342-112 01.10.2007 to 30.09.2009 \$156000 The Development of Selective Inhibitors based on the Structural and Mechanistic Studies of Cystathionine-gamma-lyase (BMRC) R-143-000-350-305 01.01.2008 to 31.12.2010 \$493000 9. Bio-inspired Chemistry Based on Guanidines and Guanidiniums (ARF) R-143-000-461-112 11.02.2011 to 10.02.2012 10. Flavins as Biomimetic Organocatalysts for Green Chemistry (GSK-EDB) R-143-000-460-592 01.08.2010 to 31.07.2014 \$384000 (M4061004.110.500000) 11. Practical Approaches for the Preparation of Chiral Bioactive Compounds (NTU funds) M4080946 01.05.2012 to 31.03.2016 \$800000 12. Shedding light on the action mechanisms of organosulfur in promoting heart health: development of evidence-based dietary supplement from alliums (A*STAR-BMRC-SERC Nutrition and Food Science Grant, SERC 112 177 0036) M4061048 18.08.2012 to 17.08.2015 \$957060 (as Co-PI, \$226500) 13. Graphene oxide and its hydrids as carbocatalysts and recyclable catalysts (AcRF Tier 1) 01.03.2013 to 28.02.2015 RG 6/12 M4011018 \$99000 14. Development of Practical Enantioselective Catalysis (NTU funds) M4081324 01.05.2014 to 30.04.2017 \$180000 15. Development of Pentanidiums as a Phase Transfer Catalysts for Practical Asymmetric Synthesis (AcRF Tier 1) M4011372 01.03.2015 to 28.02.2017 \$150000 16. Advancement of 11C Radiolabeling and Microfluidic Technologies for PET Imaging (NMRC) M4061613 01.03.2015 to 28.02.2018 \$1440000 17. Development of Bisguanidinium for Ion-Pairing Catalysis with Organometallic Anions (AcRF Tier 1) M4011663 01.11.2016 to 31.10.2018 \$100000 18. Synthetic Channel-Based Biomimetic Membranes for Desalination M4095046.C30 01.05.2016 to 30.04.2019 \$3855700 (as Co-PI, \$632000) 19. Halogen Bonding in Catalysis - Reaction Development and Computational Studies (AcRF Tier M4062100 02.01.2017 to 01.01.2020 S\$633,728.01 (as Co-PI \$446896.80)

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AFFILIATION

- Singapore National Institute of Chemistry (President, Mar 2017 present)
- Federation of Asian Chemical Societies (FACS), Executive Committee Member, Council Member for South East Asia and PNG (Aug 2017 present)
- Cambridge Commonwealth Society
- Singapore Catalysis Society (SCS)

AWARDS AND HONORS

- JSPS Fellowship for Research in Japan (2018)
- New Phase Asian Core Programme Lectureship Award from China (2014)
- Asia Core Program Lectureship Award from Taiwan (2013)
- SPMS Teaching Excellence Award AY2012/2013 (2013)
- NUS Faculty of Science, Dean's Chair Professorship (2011)
- GSK-SNIC Organic Chemistry Award (2011)
- The 5th International Conference on Cutting-Edge Organic Chemistry in Asia (ICCEOCA-5) Lectureship Award from Korea (2010)
- The 5th International Conference on Cutting-Edge Organic Chemistry in Asia (ICCEOCA-5) Lectureship Award from China (2010)
- Young Chemist Award (2009)
- Young Scientist Award (2009)
- CRISP award (2009)
- JSPS New Scientific Exchange Program (2009)
- Asia Core Program Lectureship Award from Hong Kong (2008)
- Asia Core Program Lectureship Award from Japan (2008)
- UK-Singapore Partners In Science Collaboration Development Awards (2008)

AWARDS and ACHIVEMENTS OF STUDENTS UNDER SUPERVISION

- Jackson Leow Dasheng Kiang Ai Kim Scholarship, Astar Postdoctoral Fellowship
- Lin Shishi Lijen Industrial Medal for best honours project, CRISP award for best UROPS student in Faculty, Schering-Plough Gold Medal for best UROPS in Chemistry
- Ng Yu Rui Schering-Plough Gold Medal for best UROPS in Chemistry
- Loh Weitian Singapore National Institute of Chemistry for Best MSc thesis 2010
- Ye Weiping CEO and Founder of Raffles PharmaTech
- Fu Xiao Runner up 2010, Reaxys PhD Prize (international award)
- Liu Hongjun Best Research Publication Award 2010, Best Graduate Researcher Award 2010, World Future Foundation PhD Prize in Environmental and Sustainability Research 2011 (international award); CEO and Founder of Agplus Technologies
- Kee Choon Wee President Graduate Fellowship
- Ma Ting Finalist 2011, Reaxys PhD Prize (international award)
- Goh Kien Soon Sim Geok Soo Medal 2012, Best MSc thesis
- Chen Wenchao SNIC poster award (ISCOC-ISCIC 2016)
- Cao Weidi SNIC poster award (ISCOC-ISCIC 2016)
- Cui Xiyang Journal of Organic Chemistry Poster Award (1st Singapore Japan Germany Trilateral Symposium on Precision Synthesis & Catalysis 2017)
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- Wang Chao Professor, Nanjing Technological University
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- 1. Ye Weiping (Phd, 2006) Chiral Guanidine Catalyzed Michael Reactions
- He Lijuan (MSc, 2006, co-supervision) Engineering Aggregates with Chemical Linkers for Tissue Engineering Applications

- 3. Nguyen Thi Thuy Linh (MSc, 2006) Functionalization of cellular membrane by cholesterol-dendrimer conjugates
- 4. Shen Juan (Phd, 2008) Chiral Guanidine Catalyzed Diels-Alder Reactions of Anthrones
- 5. Xu Junye (Phd, 2008) Tandem Conjugate Addition-Elimination Reactions Promoted by Chiral Pyrrolines
- 6. Guan Yanyi (MSc, 2008) Pharmaceutically Relevant In Vivo H2S Donors
- 7. Loh Wei Tian (MSc, 2009) Organocatalytic Conjugate Addition Reactions
- 8. Leow Dasheng Jackson (Phd, 2009) Chiral Guanidine Catalyzed Enantioselective Protonation Reactions
- 9. Soh Ying Teck (Phd, 2009) Organocatalytic Reactions of 3-Hydroxy-2-pyrone and N-Arylsulfonyl-3-hydroxy-2-pyridone
- 10. Fu Xiao (Phd, 2010) Chiral Guanidine and Guanidium Salt Catalyzed Enantioselective Phosphorus-Carbon Bonds Formation Reactions
- Zhang Yan (Phd, 2010) Guanidine Catalyzed Enantioselective Desymmetrization of meso-Aziridine
- 12. Liu Hongjun (Phd, 2010) Bronsted Base Catalyzed Enantioselective Isomerisation and Tandem Isomerisation Reactions
- 13. Huang Shufen (MSc, 2010, co-supervision) Functional and inhibitory studies on cystathionine-Gamma-Lyase (CSE)
- 14. Mo Xuejun (Phd, 2011, co-supervision) Rapid Construction of Mechanically-Confined Multi-Cellular Structures Using Dendrimeric Inter-Cellular Linker
- 15. Wang Jianmin (Phd, 2011) Bicyclic guanidine catalyzed enantioselective allylic addition reactions
- 16. Zhao Yujun (Phd, 2011) Alpha-Fluorinated aromatic ketone as nucleophile in asymmetric organocatalytic C-N and C-C bonds formation reactions.
- 17. Ng Tao Tao Magdeline (Phd, 2011, co-supervision) Studies of new properties and applications of G-quadruplex DNA
- 18. Yang Yuanyong (Phd, 2012) Pentanidium-catalyzed hydroxylation of oxindoles with molecular oxygen
- 19. Feng Wei (Phd, 2012) Brønsted-base Catalyzed Tandem Isomerization Intramolecular-Diels-Alder (IMDA) Reactions The first enantioselective total synthesis of α-yohimbine
- 20. Pan Yuanhang (Phd, 2012) Guanidine Catalyzed Enantioselective Mannich Reaction: Towards the Synthesis of β-Amino Acids
- 21. Farhana binte Moinodeen (MSc, 2012) Pentanidium-catalyzed α-hydroxylation
- 22. Kee Choon Wee (Phd, 2014) Halogen Chemistry: Bromination and Fluorination via C-H Functionalization and Theoretical Investigation of Halogen Bonding in Catalysis
- 23. Zong Lili (Phd, 2014) Enantioselective Synthesis of Chiral Sulfoxides Using Pentanidium Catalysis

- 24. Dong Sheng (MSc, 2014) The Syntheses of Bis-guanidium Salts and Their Applications in Asymmetric Mukaiyama Type Sn2 Alkylation Reactions
- 25. Chen Li (Phd, 2016) Bisguanidinium Catalyzed Enantioselective Phase-Transfer Desymmetrizations

(Nanyang Technological University)

- 1. Song Zhijian (MSc, 2014) Hydrogen Sulfide Releasing Compounds: Synthesis, Characterization and Anti-cancer effect study
- 2. Xue Hansong (MSc, 2015) Mechanistic Insights Into Bicyclic Guanidine-Catalyzed Reactions From Microscopic and Macroscopic Perspectives
- 3. Chen Wenchao (MSc, 2016) Bis-guanidinium Salts Catalyzed Enantioselective Phase-Transfer Alkylations of Cyclic Ketones and Silyl Enol Ethers
- 4. Ye Xinyi (MSc, 2016) Bisguanidiums Catalyzed Enantioselective Oxidation of Sulfides to Sulfoxides
- Teng Bo (Phd, 2016) Enantioselective Alkylation Reactions Using Silylamide as Brønsted Probase
- 6. He Wei (Phd, 2017) The Study of Halogen Bonding Induced Reactions
- 7. Jiang Huan (Phd, 2017) Enantioselective Arylation and Vinylation of Allylic Bromides Catalyzed by Guanidinium and Copper(I) Salt
- 8. Wang Yang (Phd, 2017) Iron Nitrosyl Complexes and Its Applications in Organic Catalysis
- 9. Chin Kek Foo (Phd, 2017) Enantioselective Epoxidation of Protected Allylic and Homoallyic Amines via Chiral Cationic Ion-Pairing Catalysis
- 10. Cui Xiyang (Phd, 2018) Asymmetric Allylic Alkynylation Catalyzed by Guanidine Copper(I) Complex
- 11. Ge Yichen (Phd, 2018) Copper(I)/Guanidine Catalyzed Asymmetric Allylic Borylation Reactions
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CONSULTANCY

- Tenure report, City University of Hong Kong
- Czech Science Foundation, reviewer for proposal
- Innovation and Technology Commission, The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, reviewer for proposal (2017)
- Reviewer, Academia Sinica Research Award for Junior Research Investigators (2017)
- Member of panel to evaluate the courses at Singapore Polytechnic, School of Chemical and Life Sciences. To recommend and validate their curriculum and interview students and make suggestions for improvement.

- Member of panel for 5-Yearly Course Review for Diploma in Perfumery and Cosmetic Science (DPCS), Singapore Polytechnic (2015)
- Consultant to the Health Science Authority for the preparation and identification of side products
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- Ciba Specialty Chemical Industries, consultancy and co-supervision of Ciba Specialty Chemicals Jurong Fellow
- Technical Advisory Board Member Singapore Emulsion Fuel Pte Ltd

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- Co-founder, Chairman and Chief Scientific Advisor, AgPlus Pte Ltd, Singapore
- Chief Scientific Officer, Raffles PharmaTech, Huizhou, China

CITATION (Google Scholar)

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Accounts of Chemical Research, ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces, ACS Catalysis, ACS Combinational Chemistry, Asian Journal of Organic Chemistry, Angewandte Chemie, Advanced Synthesis and Catalysis, Australian Journal of Chemistry, Beilstein Journal of Organic Chemistry, Biomaterials, Bioorganic Chemistry, Bioorganic and Medicinal Chemistry, Bioorganic Chemistry Letters, Chemistry Select, Chemical Communications, Chemical Reviews, Chemical Sciences, Chemical Society Reviews, Chemistry An Asian Journal, ChemCatChem, ChemSusChem, Chemistry A European Journal, Chirality, Chinese Journal of Chemistry, European Journal of Organic Chemistry, Journal of Molecular Catalysis A Chemical, Journal of the American Chemical Society, Journal of Organic Chemistry, Minireviews in Organic Chemistry, Molecules, New Journal of Chemistry, Organic and Biomolecular Chemistry, Organic Chemistry Frontiers, Organic Letters, Research on Chemical Intermediates, RSC Advances, Synthetic Communications, Synlett, Synthesis, Tetrahedron, Tetrahedron Letters, Tetrahedron Asymmetry.

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SERVICE AS EDITOR

- Guest Editor, Australian Journal of Chemistry, Research Front, 'The chemistry of guanidine, guanidinium and guanidinate compounds'.
- Guest Editor, Molecules, Special Issue, 'Brønsted Base Catalysis in Organic Synthesis'.
- Guest Editor, Synlett, Synlett Cluster, "Asymmetric Brønsted Base Catalysis".

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- Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) of Singapore National Research Foundation (NRF)
- Evaluation Committee of the 2nd Synthetic Biology R&D Programme (SBP) Grant Call.