VERSATILE FUNCTIONS OF RND3/RHOE IN HEART AND BRAIN

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Rnd3, also called RhoE, is a small GTPase. It has been believed that Rnd3 functions as an endogenous inhibitor of Rho kinase signaling. The talk will expand the current knowledge of this concept and demonstrate the diversified functions of Rnd3 in heart and brain development, calcium handling and angiogenesis.

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Chang has dedicated his career to the investigation of molecular and cellular mechanisms involved in cardiac maladaptive remodeling as a result of various pathological conditions including ischemia/reperfusion, hemodynamic stress, and hyperlipidemia. The ultimate goal from his mechanistic studies is to provide clinical translation for the prevention and treatment of heart disease. His lab has been very successful taking comprehensive and molecular approaches in the generation and analysis of clinically-relevant genetic mouse models, and in mechanistic studies.

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