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The Laboratory of Pharmaceutical Engineering established on June 2007, has evolved from Department of Molecular and Pharmaceutical Biotechnology affiliated to the School of Biotechnology at Jiangnan University, is committed to microbial metabolic engineering and biopharmaceutical research direction.

Due to powerfully innovative ability, more than 20 research projects, including some projects from National Significant Drug Initiative Program, 973 Program, 863 Program, National Science and Technological Support Key Projects Program, NSF Program from Chinese Government, as well as national cooperation projects, have been taken charge of or part in by the team members of this Lab.

Research interests

- Development and application of gene
 recombinant peptide/protein drugs
- Research and development in microbial metabolic engineering
- 3. Development and application of new biocatalysts
- Research and utilization in edible and medicinal fungi
- Optimizing traditional industrial microbiological processes utilizing modern biological technology

Fig. 1 Outline of pathways for L-arginine biosynthesis from Lglutamate.

Dotted lines indicate feedback inhibition.

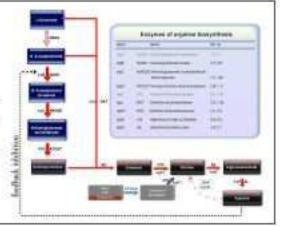






Fig.2 Morphology in nature of edible and medicinal mushrooms



Fig.3 Morphology of mushrooms in submerged culture

Selected Publications

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Awards & Honors

The First Prize for Science and Technology Progress of China General Chamber Of Commerce in 2009

Lab Members

Professor

Zhenghong Xu Jingsong Shi

Research Associate

Hongyu Xu Xiaomei Zhang Wenfang Dou Zhengming Lu Heng Li Hui Li Yan Geng

Technical Staff

Dandan Zhang Jianying Qian

More than 10 undergraduate students, and more than 40 graduate students have been enrolled every year.