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I am a biophysicist who develops novel imaging technologies to understand the fundamental principles of gene expression.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2017- Assistant Professor. Institute for Systems Genetics, Department of Cell Biology, NYU School of Medicine
- 2013-2016 Project Scientist. Transcription Imaging Consortium, HHMI Janelia Research Campus
- 2012-2013 Instructor. Albert Einstein College of Medicine
- 2007-2012 Research fellow (advisor: Robert H Singer). Albert Einstein College of Medicine
- 2002-2007 Doctoral student (advisor: Vincent Croquette). Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris.
- 2001 Undergraduate Research Assistant. (advisor: Carlos Bustamante). U.C. Berkeley.

EDUCATION

- 2002-2006 *Ph.D. Biophysics*. Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris. Single Molecule Studies of DNA Mechanics and Helicase activity (advisor: Vincent Croquette) *Highest Distinction*
- 2001-2002 *M.S. Solid State Physics*. Université Pierre & Marie Curie, Paris VI
- 1999-2001 *B.S. Physics*. Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris

PUBLICATIONS

Updated list available from [Google Scholar Citations](#) or [NCBI My Bibliography](#)

Long X, Colonell J, Wong AM, Singer RH, **Lionnet T*** (2016) Quantitative mRNA imaging throughout the entire *Drosophila* Brain. *bioRxiv*, <https://doi.org/10.1101/096388> ***Corresponding author**

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Deng W, Shi X, Tjian R, **Lionnet T**, Singer RH. (2015) CASFISH : CRISPR/Cas9-mediated in situ labeling of genomic loci in fixed cells. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*, 112 (38), 11870-11875 [PMC](#)

Treck T, Grosch M, York A, Shroff H, **Lionnet T**, Lehman R. (2015) Drosophila germ granules are structured and contain homotypic mRNA clusters. *Nature Communications*, 6:7962 [PMC](#)

Kalo A, Kanter I, Shraga A, Sheinberger J, Tzemach H, Kinor N, Singer RH, **Lionnet T**, Shav-Tal Y. (2015) Cellular Levels of Signaling Factors Are Sensed by β -actin Alleles to Modulate Transcriptional Pulse Intensity. *Cell Reports* 11(3) 419-32 [PMC](#)

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Neuman KC, Saleh OA, **Lionnet T**, Lia G, Allemand JF, Bensimon D, Croquette V (2005). Statistical determination of the step size of molecular motors. *J. of Phys. : Condens. Matter*, 17: S3811-20 [PMC](#)

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AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2011 Albert Einstein College of Medicine Dennis Shields Postdoctoral Award
2008-2011 Human Frontier Science Foundation Long Term Fellowship
2002-2006 French Ministry of education - Paris VII University Graduate Fellowship
1999 Admitted to Ecole Normale Supérieure. *Ranked 3rd in nation-wide competitive exam*

SERVICE

- 2016 Member of the site visit review panel for the Laboratory of Receptor Biology and Gene Expression, Center for Cancer Research, National Cancer Institute, NIH, Bethesda
2014-present Member of the Janelia Advanced Imaging Center Review Committee
2014 Organizer of the Janelia Conference “Long Range Genome Organization and Transcription Dynamics” (Co-organizers: Carl Wu, Wendy Bickmore)
2013-present Member of Transcription Imaging Consortium Steering Committee

PATENTS APPLICATIONS

- Gonen T, Gonen S, **Lionnet T**, Baker D, DiMaio F, English BP, Rouault H. Self-Assembling Two Dimensional Protein Arrays. US20160369264 12/22/2016
Singer R, Deng W, **Lionnet T**, Decker, MW. Genomic Probes. WO/2016/061523 ; 04/21/2016
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TEACHING

- 2016 Quantitative Imaging, Temple Bioengineering Department (Invited Lecture)
2004-2007 Graduate Biophysics Teaching Asst, Université P. & M. Curie, Paris
2003-2005 Undergraduate Physics Teaching Asst. Université P. & M. Curie, Paris

INVITED TALKS

- 2016 NYU Langone Medical Center, Institute of Systems Genetics:
2016 ABRF Meeting, Fort Lauderdale: New Imaging Tools to Quantify Gene Expression Regulation in Living Cells
2016 Chemistry & Biochemistry Dept, UCLA: Imaging and Quantifying Transcription Regulation in Living Cells
2015 Gladstone Institute (San Francisco): "Imaging and Quantifying Transcription Regulation in Living Cells"
2015 Seeing is Believing: Imaging the Processes of Life (EMBL Symposium). "Imaging Endogenous Histone Modifications and Transcription in Living Cells"
2015 Genetic Control of Development and Evolution (EMBO-Institut Pasteur, Paris) "Mechanism of Transcriptional Regulation Through Spatiotemporal Modulation of Regulators in Living Cells"
2015 Transcription Imaging Consortium Annual Meeting (Janelia Research Campus): "*Single molecule mechanisms of transcription activation*"
2014 Transcription Imaging Consortium Annual Meeting (Janelia Research Campus): "*Single molecule mechanisms of transcription activation*"
2014 Stowers Institute "Imaging Transcription Dynamics in Live Cells".
2014 Janelia Long Range Genome Organization and Transcription Dynamics Conference. "Mechanisms of Transcription Activation at the Single Molecule Level".
2013 Cold Spring Harbor Single Cell Analyses Meeting. "Probing transcription regulation in live cells, one mRNA at a time"

- 2012 Max Delbrück Center, Berlin, Germany. “Probing transcription regulation in live cells, one mRNA at a time”
- 2012 Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain. “Probing transcription regulation in live cells, one mRNA at a time”
- 2012 Biology Department, New York University. “Probing transcription regulation in live cells, one mRNA at a time”
- 2011 Courant Institute, New York University. “Probing transcription regulation in live cells, one mRNA at a time”
- 2011 EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany. “Probing transcription regulation in live cells”
- 2011 IGBMC, Strasbourg, France. “Probing transcription regulation in live cells”
- 2011 Institut Curie, Paris, France. “Probing transcription regulation in live cells”
- 2009 Human Frontier Science Program Annual Meeting, Tokyo, Japan. “Imaging Transcription of a Single Endogenous Gene in Live Cells”
- 2007 American Physical Society Meeting, Denver, CO. “Dynamics of Single Molecule DNA”
- 2006 European Science Foundation workshop, Barcelona, Spain. “Single Molecule Analysis of gp41 Helicase Reveals a Passive Unwinding Mechanism”
- 2006 Young researchers and Life Sciences, Institut Curie, France. “Uncovering Helicase Mechanism Using Magnetic Tweezers”

BOOKS & PROCEEDINGS

- Le Grimallec C, Milhiet P, Perez E, Pincet F, Aime JP, Emiliani V, Thoumine O, **Lionnet T**, Croquette V, Allemand JF, Bensimon D. Nanoforce and Imaging. *in Nanoscience: Nanobiotechnologies & Nanobiology*. Ed. P. Boisseau, M. Lahmani, Springer 2009.
- Allemand JF, Bensimon D, Charvin G, Croquette V, Lia G, **Lionnet T**, Neuman KC, Saleh OA, Yokota H. Studies of DNA-Protein Interactions at the Single Molecule Level with Magnetic Tweezers. *in Controlled Nanoscale Motion in Biological and Artificial Systems*. Ed. H. Linke, A. Mansson, Proceedings of the Nobel Symposium 2005.
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