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EDUCATION

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09.1998 - 02.2001	MSc. Department of Chemistry, University of Crete, Greece. Title of thesis: Synthesis of 7-hydroxy-substituted coumarin derivatives and study of their properties as fluorescent zinc indicators
10.1993 – 07.1997	B.Sc. Department of Chemistry, University of Crete, Greece, Mark: 7.63/10

RESEARCH/WORKING EXPERIENCE

12.2018 - 11.2021	Current position Postdoctoral Research Scientist , Laboratory Medicine, Laboratory of Clinical Microbiology and Microbial Pathogenesis, School of Medicine, University of Crete, Greece Group Head: Professor G. Chamilos Field of work: Delineating molecular mechanisms of PHAGosome dysFUNCTION underlying Sepsis Immunosuppression: A Roadmap to Personalized Medicine in Sepsis
02.2015 - 11.2018	Previous position Postdoctoral Research Scientist , Laboratory Medicine, Laboratory of Clinical Microbiology and Microbial Pathogenesis, School of Medicine, University of Crete, Greece Group Head: Professor G. Chamilos Field of work: Dissecting the role of LC3-associated phagocytosis in sepsis-induced immunosuppression
01.2011 – 01.2015	Previous position Postdoctoral Research Scientist , Laboratory Medicine, Laboratory of Clinical Microbiology and Microbial Pathogenesis, School of Medicine, University of Crete, Greece Group Head: Professor G. Chamilos Field of work: Investigating the mechanism of LC3-associated phagocytosis induction during Aspergillosis
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Postdoctoral Research Scientist, Cellular and Developmental Biology, Lab of Cell Cycle and Division, Department of Biology, University of Crete, Greece

Group Head: Ass. Professor G. Zachos

Field of work: Investigating the mechanism by which Chk1 regulates Aurora-B during mitosis

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Postdoctoral Research Scientist, Basic Sciences, Laboratory of Biochemistry, School of Medicine, University of Crete, Greece

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PUBLICATIONS

- **Akoumianaki T.**, Vaporidi K., Diamantaki E., Pene F., Beau R., Gresnigt M.S., Gkountzinopoulou M., Venihaki M., El-Benna J., Samonis G., Le K.T.T., Kumar V., Georgopoulos D., van de Veerdonk F.L., Netea M.G., Latge JP., Chamilos G. Uncoupling of IL-6 signaling and LC3-associated phagocytosis drives immunoparalysis during sepsis. *Cell Host and Microbe.* 29(8):1277-1293 (2021) DOI: [10.1016/j.chom.2021.06.002](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chom.2021.06.002)
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