# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

#### **Personal Information**

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#### Education

September 1991 – March 1997 Bachelor Degree in Chemistry, Department of

Chemistry, University of Crete.

September 2012 Accepted in the inter-disciplinary Postgraduate studies

Program of "Protein Biotechnology", Master of

Science Degree.

Department of Biology, Department of Chemistry,

University of Crete.

Work Experience

March 2009 – today ProFI - Proteomics Facility at IMBB

http://profi.imbb.forth.gr/

FORTH, Heraklion

Position Technical Assistant

Activities - Responsibilities a) Operation and Maintenance of LC-MS instruments.

b) Sample preparation, data processing and validation

c) Students training on mass spectrometry based

proteomic analysis

d) Financial and operational administration

**February 2000 – February 2009** Microchemistry Lab, IMBB

FORTH, Heraklion

Position Technical Assistant Activities - Responsibilities a) DNA Sequencing

b) Synthesis, purification and labeling of

oligonucleotides.

c) Maintenance and technical support of

oligonucleotides' synthesizer.

Jun 99 - Oct 99, Jun 92- Aug 92,

Jun 91-Aug 91:

Position Quality Control

Vathypetrou S.A. "The Coca Cola Company",

Heraklion

## Research

- In-Solution separation of Membrane proteins/Hydrophobic peptides, according to their isoelectric point (OFFgel Agilent Technologies), ProFI
- Comparative proteomics of testes and ovaries of Medfly-V8, in the presence or absence of *Wolbachia*, to identify proteins that are involved in cytoplasmic incompatibility, Symbiomics (THALIS, GGET, 2012)

### **Publications**

- G. Petekidis, D. Vlassopoulos, G. Fytas, N. <u>Kountourakis</u>, and S. Kumar. Association Dynamics in Solutions of Hairy Rod Polymers. Macromolecules 1997, 30,919-931.
- Papanastasiou, M., Orfanoudaki, G., Koukaki, M., <u>Kountourakis, N.</u>, Sardis, M.F., Aivaliotis, M., Karamanou, S. and Economou, A. (2012) The Escherichia coli Peripheral Inner Membrane Proteome.
  - Molecular and Cellular Proteomics March 2013:599-610
- K. Bakela, <u>N. Kountourakis</u>, M. Aivaliotis and I. Athanassakis (2015) Soluble MHC-II proteins promote suppressive activity in CD4+ T cells Immunology vol. 144,158-169, January 2015.

### **Presentations**

- Symbiomics 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, Al. Fleming BSRC, Athens, 2013
- Symbiomics 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, Al. Fleming BSRC, Athens, 2013
- Symbiomics "Kick off" meeting, Orthodox Academy of Crete, Kolymbari, 2012
- 'Small molecule analysis at ProFI' 2<sup>nd</sup> Greek Orbitrap User's Meeting, (GOrUM-02) Heraklion, IMBB, FORTH 2012
- 'Off-gel separation of peptides as a front end to an Orbitrap MS-based proteomics flow' 2<sup>nd</sup> Greek Orbitrap User's Meeting,(GOrUM-02) Heraklion, IMBB, FORTH 2012
- 'Sample Preparation Methods for LC-MS/MS analysis' 1<sup>st</sup> Greek Orbitrap User's Meeting,(GOrUM-01) Heraklion, IMBB, FORTH 2010

#### **Posters**

- Aivaliotis, M., Portaliou, A., Balabanidou, V., <u>Kountourakis</u>, N., Orfanoudaki, G., Karamanou, S. and Economou, A. (2011) Dissecting Type III Protein Secretion Mechanism in Enteropathogenic Escherichia coli by Dynamic Complexome and Secretome Analysis.
  - EMBO practical workshop on Protein-Protein and Protein-Nucleic Acid Crosslinking and Mass Spectrometry, Göttingen 2011
- Portaliou, A., Aivaliotis, M., <u>Kountourakis</u> N., Balabanidou, V., Karamanou, S. and Economou, A. (2011) Global analysis of the Type III protein secretion system of enteropathogenic *Escherichia coli*.
  - International workshop on Functional and Structural Proteomics, Athens 2011

- (FunSPA, 2011)
- Aivaliotis, M., Portaliou, A., Balabanidou, V., Orfanoudaki, G., <u>Kountourakis</u>, N., Karamanou, S. and Economou, A. (2011) Elucidating Type III Protein Secretion Mechanism in Enteropathogenic *Escherichia coli* by Dynamic Complexome Analysis.
  - International workshop on Functional and Structural Proteomics, Athens 2011 (FunSPA 2011)
- Aivaliotis, M., Portaliou, A., Balabanidou, V., <u>Kountourakis</u>, N., Karamanou, S. and Economou A. (2011) Complexome dynamics during Type III protein secretion.
   Summer school on Computational Mass Spectrometry Based Proteomics, Max Planck Institute Munich, 2011
- Portaliou, A., <u>Kountourakis</u>, N., Aivaliotis, M., Balabanidou, V., Karamanou, S. and Economou A. Analysis of the secretome of enteropathogenic *Escherichia coli*.
   4<sup>th</sup> Summer School of Proteomics Biotechnology, Crete, 2010
- Aivaliotis, M., Balabanidou, V., Portaliou, A., <u>Kountourakis</u>, N., Karamanou, S. and Economou, A. (2010) Global and targeted complexome analysis of the cytosolic proteome of Enteropathogenic *Escherichia coli* using Native-PAGE combined with nLC-LTQ Orbitrap MS.
  - 1st International Proteomics Conference on Crete- IPCC01, 2010
- E. Stratidaki, N. <u>Kountourakis</u>, E. Roditakis and A. Tsagkarakou Microsatellite genotyping in the insect Bemisia tabaci (Hemiptera Aleyrodidae) using a 48-capillary array electrophoresis system. 54<sup>th</sup> Conference EEBMB, Ioannina, 2002

#### **Seminars**

- 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the German Society of Mass Spectrometry (DGMS 2011), Dortmund, Germany, 2011
- Seminar on 'Liquid Chromatography Mass Spectrometry' in the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the German Society of Mass Spectrometry (DGMS 2011), Dortmund, Germany, 2011
- Informatics Seminar Greek Physicists Association, Heraklion, 2001-2002
- Training in MWG in systems for synthesis and purification of oligonycleotides (oligo 2000, PSF). Technical Support for Oligo 2000, Ebersberg, Germany

# Member of Scientific-Organizing Committee

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Greek Orbitrap User's Meeting, (GOrUM-02) Heraklion, IMBB, FORTH 2012
- Workshop 'From Proteins to Proteomics', ProFI Lab, IMBB, FORTH 2012
- Workshop 'Functional and Structural Proteomics' (FunSPA 2011), Athens, Pasteur Institute
- Workshop 'Methods of Samples preparation for Proteomics Analysis', ProFI Lab, IMBB, 2011
- 1<sup>st</sup> Greek Orbitrap User's Meeting, (GOrUM-01) Heraklion, IMBB, FORTH, 2010
- 1<sup>st</sup> International Proteomics Conference on Crete, (IPCC-01) IMBB, FORTH, 2010
- Workshop 'Methods of Proteomics Analysis', ProFI Lab, IMBB, 2010

## Teaching Experience

- Workshop: 'From Proteins to Proteomics', ProFI Lab, IMBB, 2012
- Workshop: 'Methods of Samples preparation for Proteomics Analysis', ProFI Lab, IMBB, 2011
- Workshop 'Methods of Proteomics Analysis', ProFI Lab, IMBB, 2010

 Training of bachelor student Gionis Ioannis of the department of Biology, University of Crete, on oligonucleotides' synthesis and DNA sequencing, Microchemistry Lab 2004

## **Technical Skills**

- Isolation of proteins
- Separation/purification of proteins
  Gel Based approach(SDS PAGE, Native PAGE, 2DE),
  Gel Free approach (SCX Chrom, Affinity Chrom., SEC, OFFgel)
- Digestion of Proteins (In-gel, In Solution)
- Separation of peptides (Reverse Phase Chrom., OFFgel)
- Data Processing of Proteomic Analysis
- Operation and maintenance of LTQ Orbitrap XL with ETD (Thermo Scientific)
- Operation and maintenance of Easy nLC I, Easy nLC 1000 (Thermo Scientific)

# Computer Skills

- DNA sequencing Software: e-Seq Software (Li Cor)
- Proteomic Analysis software: Proteome Discoverer 1.3 (Thermo Scientific), Scaffold Software), Delta2D 4.2 (Decodon), Mascot search algorithm (Matrix Sciences), Sequalgorithm (Thermo Scientific)
- Unix, Windows
- Microsoft Office: Word, Excel, Access, Power Point
- Programming Language: Visual Basic

# Languages

- English, FIRST CERTIFICATE
- German, Basic Level