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## REPORT

# Postdoctoral scientist Recruitment

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# Research Infrastructures for the control of vector-borne diseases

## INFRAVEC-2

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According to the Grant Agreement for INFRAVEC-2-731060, we have posted the advertisement for one (1) Postdoctoral Researcher position at the Vontas laboratory. The text for the INFRAVEC-2 open position post has been published on June 16, 2017 (IMBB P.N. 10260/7-11-2017) at the website of the Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology-FORTH ([http://www.imbb.forth.gr/jobs/081117\\_Vontas.pdf](http://www.imbb.forth.gr/jobs/081117_Vontas.pdf)), the EURAXESS portal and the DIAYGEIA System ADA: 6K2P469HKY-ΛΦ7.

The desired qualifications of the applicants involved a PhD in Biology/Molecular Biology with emphasis on genomics; Experience in analysis of insect molecular biology, insect genomics and insecticide resistance datasets using bioinformatics methods, tools and protocols. Proven record of skills in bioinformatics, insect genomics, developing curated databases and ability to collaborate in a team is necessary. Excellent knowledge of English.

Four applications were submitted to the Principal Investigator (PI) in charge i.e. John Vontas in response to the advertised position (Ref # OPZ-0060):

1. Dr Antonis Koussounadis: experienced computational biologist, no experience in insects, 11 publications, 8 first author.
2. Dr Panagiotis Ioannidis: experienced in insect genomics, 23 publications, 5 first author.
3. Dr Dimitrios Konstantinou: experienced in many techniques of molecular biology and cell/tissue culture, no experience in insects, 6 publications, 1 first author.
4. Dr Stavros Stathopoulos: experienced in insect molecular biology, 5 publications, 1 first author.

Prof. John Vontas, Prof. Vassilis Bouriotis and Prof. Michael Kokkinidis are the aforementioned scientists in charge on behalf of FORTH that consist the evaluation committee for the selection of postdoctoral scientists. The committee convened on November 28 and evaluated the applications that has been submitted for the open call regarding the position offered in the laboratory of Professor John Vontas.

After carefully considering the qualifications of each candidate, the evaluation committee decided that **Dr Panagiotis Ioannidis is the best qualified and most relevant applicant for this position.**

Dr Panagiotis Ioannidis is expert in both insect molecular biology and insect genomics with 23 publications in highly ranked Journals, including first authorship in *Genome Biology and Evolution* in 2017. Also Dr Ioannidis has extensive experience in analyzing ortholog genes in several insect species, as proved by his work in *OrthoDB*.

The applicant has been accordingly informed about the outcome of the evaluation process and was invited to sign a contract with IMBB-FORTH.

Heraklion, December 1, 2017

The selection committee:

John Vontas

Vassilis Bouriotis

Michael Kokkinidis

