

## **Appointment of New Director General in the Hellenic Pasteur Institute**

**Professor George P. Patrinos has been elected and appointed Director General of the Hellenic Pasteur Institute by decision of the Ministers of Development P. Theodorikakos and of Health A. S. Georgiadis, *Gov.Gazette* 208/12.03.2025**

George P. Patrinos is elected General Director and Director of Research of the Hellenic Pasteur Institute in Athens, Greece and serves as Professor of Pharmacogenomics and Pharmaceutical Biotechnology in the University of Patras, School of Health Sciences, Department of Pharmacy in Patras, Greece. He also holds adjunct Full Professorships at Erasmus MC, Faculty of Medicine, Department of Pathology (Clinical Bioinformatics Unit) in Rotterdam (the Netherlands) and the United Arab Emirates University, College of Medicine and Health Sciences, Department of Genetics and Genomics and since May 2023 he serves as the Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Board of the ASPIRE Abu Dhabi Precision Medicine Research Institute in Al-Ain, Abu Dhabi (UAE). He served for almost 7 years as Chair of the Global Genomic Medicine Collaborative (G2MC) and for 12.5 years as Full Member and Greece's National representative in the Committee for Human Medicinal Products, Pharmacogenomics Working Party of the European Medicines Agency (EMA).

George is the founder of the Laboratory of Pharmacogenomics and Individualized Therapy, the first officially established academic pharmacogenomics laboratory in Greece. His group has keen interest in research covering disciplines from wet and dry lab and public health genomics projects, all focusing on pharmacogenomics and personalized medicine. In particular, his research interests involve discovery work and clinical implementation of pharmacogenomics, with participation in several prospective pharmacogenomics clinical studies focusing in particular on psychiatry but also cardiology and oncology, genomics of rare disorders and transcriptional regulation of human fetal globin genes. Moreover, George's group is internationally renowned for its involvement in developing National/Ethnic Genetic databases to document the genetic heterogeneity in different populations worldwide and of genome informatics tools to translate genomic information into a clinically meaningful format. Also, George's group has a keen interest in public health genomics to critically assess the impact of genomics to society and public health.

George has more than 340 publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals, some of them in leading scientific journals, such as *The Lancet*, *Lancet EBioMedicine*, *Nature*, *Nature Genetics*, *Nature Rev Genet*, *Nucleic Acids Res*, *Genes Dev*, *iScience*. Also, he has co-authored and co-edited more than 15 textbooks, among which the renowned textbook "Molecular Diagnostics", published by Academic Press, now in its 3<sup>rd</sup> edition. He is the Editor of "Translational and Applied Genomics" book series, published by Elsevier and the Editor-In-Chief of the prestigious *Pharmacogenomics Journal (TPJ)*, published by Nature Publishing Group, while he is Associate Editor and member of the editorial board of several high impact scientific journals and a member of several international boards and advisory and evaluation committees.

Apart from that, George is the main co-organizer of the Golden Helix Conferences, an international meeting series on Pharmacogenomics and Personalized Medicine with more than 55 conferences organized in more than 40 cities and 20 countries worldwide.