

Curriculum vitae

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DEGREES

B.Sc **Biology;** First class honours.
University of London
Ph.D **Medicine;** Thesis: Electron Immunocytochemical Study of
Peripheral Peptidergic Nervous System in Normal Tissues &
Inflammatory Bowel Disease. RPMS, University of London
(supervisor Dame JM Polak)

DISTINCTIONS

1972 Girls Public Day School Trust, UK (GPDST) – full mid and high school
scholarship awards & 5th Form School Prize
1979 H. Munro Fox Prize in Biology, Bedford College Prize for best Degree
in Life Sciences in 1979
1982 EMBO two-week training fellowship for practical course in
Cryoultramicrotomy (EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany)
1988 European Science Foundation short-term fellowship, Laboratory of
Molecular Biology (LMB), University of Cambridge, UK
1988 Scientific Consultant to Genentech, San Francisco, USA
1989 European Science Foundation short-term fellowship, Laboratory of
Molecular Biology (LMB), University of Cambridge, UK
1990 Scientific Consultant to Celltech, Slough, UK
1997 Multiple Sclerosis Society of Great Britain & Northern Ireland, Best
Presentation Prize
1997 Scientific Consultant to Amgen, Boulder, USA
1998 Investigator Award -18th European Workshop Rheumatology
Research, Athens
1998-2002 Scientific Consultant to Boehringer Ingelheim Int. GmbH, Vienna,
Austria
2008-2014 International Society of Neuroimmunology (ISNI) -International
Advisory Board (elected).
2002-present European School of Neuroimmunology (ESNI) - Member of scientific
committee (elected), individual course organizing committees and
course instructor.
2012-present Hellenic Academy of Neuroimmunology (HELANI) – founding member
and vice president.
2018- Secretary/Treasurer International Society for Neuroimmunology
(ISNI)

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

2014- present	Head of Department of Immunology , HPI, Athens, Greece
2006- present	Head of Laboratory of Molecular Genetics , HPI, Athens, Greece (Researcher A level)
2000- 2006	Head of Laboratory of Molecular Genetics , HPI, Athens, Greece (Researcher B level)
2000-2006	Scientific Director of the Experimental Animal Unit , HPI, Athens, Greece
2000-2003	Head of Department of Molecular Genetics & Immunology , HPI, Athens, Greece
1994- 2000	Researcher C level , Laboratory of Molecular Genetics, HPI, Athens, Greece
1990- 1994	Postdoctoral Fellow , Laboratory of Molecular Genetics, HPI, Athens, Greece
1987-1990	Visiting Research Fellow , Medical Research Council (MRC), Molecular Neurobiology Unit, Laboratory of Molecular Biology (LMB), University of Cambridge, UK
1983-1985	Wellcome Trust Postdoctoral Fellow , Laboratory of Neurochemistry, Department of Biochemistry, Imperial College of Science, Technology & Medicine, University of London, UK
1983	Senior Research Officer , Department of Histochemistry, Royal Postgraduate Medical School (RPMS), Hammersmith Hospital, University of London, UK
1982	Research Officer , Department of Histochemistry, RPMS, Hammersmith Hospital, University of London, UK
1979-1982	Medical Research Council PhD Scholar , Department of Histochemistry, RPMS, Hammersmith Hospital, University of London, UK
1976-1979	Shrewsbury Council BSc Scholar , Bedford College, University of London, UK

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES & ORGANIZATIONS

2002	European School of Neuroimmunology (ESNI) – member of scientific committee, member of course organizing committee, instructor, representative of Greece until present.
2008	International Society of Neuroimmunology (ISNI) –elected member of International Advisory Board (two 3-year terms)
2007	Member of Society for Neuroscience (SfN)
2008	Member of Hellenic Society for Neurosciences
2012	Vice-President & founding member of Hellenic Academy of Neuroimmunology
2018-	Treasurer-Secretary International Society of Neuroimmunology (ISNI)

HOBBIES

Athletics	Greece race for the cure (breast cancer), 5 Km, September 25, 2016
	UnderArmourRun, Kifisia City Challenge, 11 Km, October 2, 2016
	People Run2, 8 Km, October 16, 2016
	Syros Run, 10 Km, May 26, 2018
	Athens Authentic Marathon, 10 Km, 2018

FUNDING

- 2018-2021 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology-** Research, Development & Innovation Project entitled “Development of an advanced humanized animal model for multiple sclerosis: application for pre-clinical study of new therapies”. Coordinator M. Androutsou, Principal Investigator L. Probert. Duration 36 months (2018 – 2021). Total budget 834.900,71 € (2 partners and 1 company), Laboratory of Molecular Genetics 397.680,71 €.
- 2017-2018 MS Society, UK-** Grant entitled “Is cellular senescence responsible for disability progression in progressive multiple sclerosis? Principal Investigator R Nicholas, Imperial College, London, UK. Participant L. Probert. Duration 9 months (October 2017-June 2018). Budget 40.000,00 UKP.
- 2016-2019 Multiple Sclerosis Trials Collaboration, UK-** Grant entitled “The role of cellular ageing in disability progression in multiple sclerosis”. Co-Principal Investigators L. Probert & D Papadopoulos. Duration 36 months (February 2016-February 2019). Budget 80.400,00 UKP (1 partner).
- 2014-2015 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology-** Bilateral R&T Collaborations - Greece-Israel project entitled “A novel combined approach for the immunotherapy of multiple sclerosis”. Coordinator J. Matsoukas, University of Patras, Greece. Duration 17 months (2014- 2015). Total budget 384.000,00 € (3 partners and 2 companies), Laboratory of Molecular Genetics 40.000,00 €.
- 2011-2015 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology-** Cooperation Project entitled “Pre-clinical and Toxicology Evaluation of Immunodominant Myelin Peptides/Mimetics Conjugated with Mannan towards Clinical Phase I-II Studies: A Potential Therapeutic Vaccine Drug in the Treatment of Multiple Sclerosis (MS)”. Coordinator J. Matsoukas, University of Patras, Greece. Duration 36 months (2011 – 2014). Total budget 2.250.000,00 € (3 partners and 2 companies), Laboratory of Molecular Genetics 586.000,00 €.
- 2010-2013 EC Seventh Framework Programme-** Regional Potential project REGPOT-2010-1 /246083 entitled “Development of a Center of Excellence in Neurosignalling” acronym NeuroSign. Coordinator S. Tzartos, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece. Duration 36 months (2010-2013). Budget for 3 HPI labs (S. Tzartos, R. Matsa, L. Probert) 1.869.910,00 €
- 2005-2010 EC Sixth Framework Programme-** Life Sciences, Genomics and Biotechnology for Health project LSHM-CT-2005-018637 entitled “Neuroprotective strategies for multiple sclerosis” acronym NeuroproMiSe. Coordinator F. Aloisi, . Duration 60 months (2005-2010). Total EC contribution 11.399.997,43 € (20 partners), Laboratory of Molecular Genetics 631.293,89 €.
- 2005-2009 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology Third Community Support Programme 2000-2006.** ΠΕΝΕΔ 03 ΕΔ298 project entitled “Investigation of the immune-regulatory role of Core and the recently identified Core+1 proteins of the Hepatitis C Virus: Application of cutting-edge technologies-prospects for therapy” Coordinator P. Mavromara, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece. PhD studentship for Maria Evangelidou, BSc, MSc. Duration 36 months (2006-2009). Total budget 211.500,00 € (3 partners), Laboratory of Molecular Genetics 62.165,00 €.
- 2005-2009 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology Third Community Support Programme 2000-2006.** ΠΕΝΕΔ 03 ΕΔ827 project entitled “Design, synthesis and biological evaluation of MBP analogues for immunotherapy in multiple sclerosis” Coordinator J. Matsoukas, University of Patras, Greece. PhD studentship for Mary Emmanouil, BSc, MSc. Duration 36 months (2006-2009).

Total budget 180.000,00 € (6 partners), Laboratory of Molecular Genetics 42.908,00 €.

- 2006-2011 European Cooperation in the Field of Scientific and Technical Research:** COST Action BM0603: "Inflammation in Brain Disease" (NEURINFNET). Coordinator T Owens, University of Southern Denmark, Odense, Denmark. Duration 48 months (2006-2011). Scientific missions between partner countries are funded.
- 2005-2010 European Cooperation in the Field of Scientific and Technical Research:** COST Action B30: "Neural Regeneration and Plasticity" (NEREPLAS). Coordinator J-M Delgado-Garcia, University Pablo de Olavide, Seville, Spain. Duration 48 months (2005-2010). Scientific missions between partner countries are funded.
- 2003-2006 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology Third Community Support Programme 2000-2006.** Bilateral R&T Collaborations - Greece-France project entitled "Evaluation of the role of angiopoietin-1 as a neuroprotective mediator of the blood-brain barrier in cerebral ischaemia and experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis". Coordinator L. Probert. Duration 24 months (2004- 2006). Budget for Greek contribution 25.000,00 €.
- 2004-2006 Hellenic Pasteur Institute Research Grant** - Project entitled "Study of the role of core/core+1 proteins of hepatitis C in hepatic carcinoma using transgenic mice". Coordinator P. Mavromara, Laboratory of Molecular Virology, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece. Duration 24 months (2004-2006). Total budget 25.000,00 € (2 partners).
- 2003-2006 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology Third Community Support Programme 2000-2006.** Project YB/76 entitled "New Directions in Immunotherapy of Multiple Sclerosis using Novel Cyclic Analogues of the 87-99 Epitope of Myelin Basic Protein alone or conjugated with Mannan". Coordinator J. Matsoukas, University of Patras, Greece. Duration 40 months (2003- 2006). Total budget 320.000,00 € (8 partners), Laboratory of Molecular Genetics 36.150,00 € .
- 2003-2005 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology Third Community Support Programme EPAN 2000-2006.** Bilateral R&T Collaborations - Greece-USA project entitled "Development of a Neural Network for Brain Inflammatory Diseases". Coordinator L. Probert. Duration 24 months (2003- 2005). Budget for Greek contribution 64.850,00 €.
- 2002-2004 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology Third Community Support Programme EPAN 2000-2006.** Bilateral R&T Collaborations - Greece-France project entitled "Evaluation of the neuroprotective properties of FLIP during experimental cerebral ischaemia using transgenic technology". Principal Investigator L. Probert, Ph.D. Duration 36 months (2002- 2004). Budget for Greek contribution 24.652,00 €.
- 2000-2002 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology Third Community Support Programme EPAN 2000-2006.** Bilateral R&T Collaborations - Greece-China project entitled "Role of FLIP in the regulation of experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis in transgenic animals". Coordinator L. Probert. Duration 24 months (2000-2002). Budget for Greek contribution 15.250,00 €.
- 2000-2002 Hellenic Pasteur Institute Research Grant** - Project entitled "Roles of cellular FLIP and viral NS5A as modulators of death receptor-mediated neuronal apoptosis *in vivo*". Coordinator L. Probert. Duration 24 months (2000-2002). Total budget: 14.674,00 € (2 partners).
- 1999-2001 Hellenic Pasteur Institute Research Grant** - Project entitled "Biological function of selected viral proteins from hepatitis C". Coordinator U. Georgopoulou, Laboratory of Molecular Virology, Hellenic Pasteur Institute,

Athens, Greece. Duration 24 months (1999-2001). Total budget: 14.674,00 € (2 partners).

2000-2002 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology EPET II Programme - PENED 99 project 99ED349 entitled "Design, synthesis and biological action of peptide mimetics of Myelin Basic Protein that antagonize the development of experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis (EAE) in laboratory animals, for the therapy of multiple sclerosis". Coordinator A. Mouzaki, University of Patras, Greece. PhD studentship for Era Taoufik, BSc, MSc. Duration 36 months (2000-2002). Total budget 146.735,00 € (3 partners).

1998-2002 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology EPET II Programme- EKBAN project 115 entitled "Peptide Mimetics-The New Generation of Therapeutics". Co-ordinator J. Matsoukas, University of Patras, Greece. Duration 36 months (1998-2002). Total budget 821,717 Euro (10 partners), Laboratory of Molecular Genetics 12.000,00 €.

1996-1999 EU Fourth Framework Programme 1994-1998. BIOTECH 2 project BIO4CT-960174 entitled "Modeling human neuroinflammatory and demyelinating disease in transgenic and mutant animals". Coordinator L. Probert. Duration 36 months (1996-1999). Total EC contribution 1,315,000 € (9 partners); Laboratory of Molecular Genetics 300.000,00 €.

1996-1997 Greek General Secretariat of Science and Technology - PENED 1995 Research Project entitled "Generation and Characterisation of Transgenic Models of Human Neuroinflammatory Disease in Transgenic Mice". Coordinator L. Probert. PhD studentship for George Kassiotis, BSc. Duration 24 months (1996-1997). Total budget 23.478,00 €.

2000-2006 Bioindustrial Programmes with national and international pharmaceutical companies, or collaboration with academic community for a) pre-clinical testing of pharmaceuticals in models of chronic immune diseases, b) licensing of transgenic mice to for-profit organizations, c) development of new transgenic lines, chimaeric mouse systems.

TEACHING ACTIVITY

ORGANIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

- 2018 **Athens International Master's Programme in Neuroscience** - Neuroimmunology course organizer, established 2017.
- 2013 **Twenty-sixth Meeting of the Hellenic Neuroscience Society jointly with FP7 REGPOT NEUROSIGN**, "Understanding Brain Function to Treat Dysfunction", Evgenidio Foundation, Athens, Greece. Symposium organizer and chairperson, "Inflammation and degeneration in the nervous system", speakers Prof. Trevor Owens (University of Southern Denmark, Odense, Denmark), Ms Maria Karamita (Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece), Prof. Malu Tansey (Emory University, Atlanta, USA), Spiros Georgopoulos (Biomedical Research Foundation, Athens, Greece). 29 November - 1 December 2013.
- 2012 **Second Workshop of the EU Regpot-NeuroSign Project**, "Functional analysis of CNS infiltrating cells during the development of CNS autoimmunity, injury and repair", Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece, 4-7 December 2012.
- 2009 **Fourth General Meeting of the EU NeuroproMiSe Consortium**, Athens Caravel, 8-10 November 2009.
- 2004 **Seventh International Congress of Neuroimmunology (ISNI)**, Venice, Italy. Symposium organizer and chairperson, "Signaling Mechanisms in Brain Inflammation"
- 2002-present **European School of Neuroimmunology (ESNI)**. Member of scientific & organizing committees.
Fifteenth ESNI Course, Prague, Czech Republic, June 2015. Programme committee, chair and lecturer
Ninth ESNI Course, Istanbul, Turkey, September 2009. Programme committee, one-day symposium organizer and chair, "Basic and clinical aspects of neuroinflammation" with talk "Neuronal control of brain inflammation".
Seventh ESNI Course, Oxford, UK, September 2007. Programme committee, one-day symposium organizer and chair, "Inflammation in neuroimmunology:basic mechanisms".
Sixth ESNI Course, Thessaloniki, Greece, September 2005. Talk "Immunoregulation of Th1 and Th2 responses in Neuroinflammation".
Fourth ESNI Course, Barcelona, Spain, September 2003. Programme committee, one-day symposium organizer and chair, "Neurodegeneration and Immunoregulation".
Third ESNI Course, Tampere, Finland, September 2002. Talk "Cytokine mediated brain damage".
- 1998 **Fifth International Congress of Neuroimmunology (ISNI)**, Montreal, Canada. Symposium organizer and chair, "TNF and Neuroimmune Responses".

1989 **International Meeting on Inflammatory Bowel Disease**, Athens Hilton, Greece.

ORGANIZATION OF SEMINARS AT HPI

2018 **David Baker**, Professor, Queen Mary University of London, UK. "Models for multiple sclerosis: EAE a model for the autoimmune components of MS". September 2018.

2018 **David Baker**, Professor, Queen Mary University of London, UK. "MS models: translational approach", September 2018.

2018 **Naoto Kawakami**, Professor, Institute of Clinical Neuroimmunology, LMU, Munich, Germany. "T cell interactions with the BBB". September 2018.

2018 Trevor Owens, Professor, Univ. of Southern Denmark, Odense, Denmark. "Basic principles of BBB, cell migration into CNS". September 2018.

2012 **Christopher Linington**, Professor and Chair in Neuroimmunology, Institute of Infection Immunity and Inflammation Medicine, University of Glasgow, UK. "Progressive multiple sclerosis - dysregulation of fibroblast growth factor 9 expression contributes to lesion development in the CNS". July 2012.

Christopher Linington, Professor and Chair in Neuroimmunology, Institute of Infection Immunity and Inflammation Medicine, University of Glasgow, UK. "Experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis: a valid model for multiple sclerosis?". December 2012.

Hans Lassmann, Professor, Medical University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria. "How to translate mechanisms from basic experimental studies to human multiple sclerosis". December 2012.

David Baker, Professor, Barts and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry. "Use and abuse of animal models of multiple sclerosis". December 2012.

Roland Liblau, Centre de Physiopathologie de Toulouse-Purpan, Toulouse, France. "T cells and CNS autoimmunity".

Edgar Meinl, Professor, Max-Planck-Institute of Neurobiology, Munich, Germany. "B cells and CNS autoimmunity". December 2012.

George Kollias, Professor, Biomedical Sciences Research Centre Alexander Fleming, Vari, Greece. "Endothelial pathways in the regulation of CNS autoimmunity and repair". December 2012.

Hartmut Wekerle, Professor, Max-Planck-Institute of Neurobiology, Munich, Germany. "In vivo imaging of immune-CNS cell interactions".

Maria Evangelidou, Postdoctoral fellow, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece. "T cell- neuron interactions in the CNS". December 2012.

Roberto Furlan, Clinical Researcher, San Raffaele Scientific Institute, Milan, Italy. "Propagation of neuroinflammation by extracellular membrane vesicles". December 2012.

Vivian Tseveleki, Postdoctoral fellow, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece. "Re-establishing immune tolerance for multiple sclerosis therapy". December 2012.

Antonio Uccelli, Professor, University of Genova, Genova, Italy. "Mesenchymal stem cells: Basics and therapeutic potential for multiple sclerosis". December 2012.

Nikolaos Grigoriadis, Professor, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Thessaloniki, Greece. "Stem cells as therapies for multiple sclerosis: Are we ready for clinical trials?" December 2012.

- Krzysztof Selmaj**, Professor, Medical University of Lodz, Lodz, Poland. "Immune intervention leading to progress in multiple sclerosis therapy". December 2012.
- 2009 **David Attwell**, Jodrell Professor of Physiology, University College, UK. "Neurotransmitter signaling to oligodendrocytes in health & disease". May 2009.
- 2004 **John Quackenbush**, Professor of Computational Biology & Biostatistics, Dana Farber Cancer Institute & Harvard School of Public Health. Boston, USA. "Using Microarrays & Bioinformatics to Explore Biology". February 2004.
- 1997 **Yvonne de Kozak**, Head of Laboratory of Ophthalmic Immunopathology, INSERM, Paris. "Cytokines and nitric oxide in two ocular models of inflammation: LPS-induced uveitis and experimental autoimmune uveoretinitis". February 1997.
- 1996 **Jan Bauer**, Professor of Neuropathology, Div. of Neuroimmunology, Brain Research Institute, Vienna, Austria. "T-cell apoptosis in inflammatory brain lesions: destruction of T cells does not depend on antigen recognition". June 1996.

INVITED SEMINARS & TALKS

- 2018 **The role of TNF in the CNS- animal models.** The 5th Panhellenic Meeting of the Hellenic Academy of Neuroimmunology for Multiple Sclerosis, Thessaloniki, December 6-9, 2018.
- 2018 **TNF in demyelination and remyelination in the CNS.** Clinical Neuroimmunology Seminars, University of Athens Medical School, Athens, 4 May, 2018.
- 2017 **Towards humanized models for multiple sclerosis.** Transgenic technologies in modeling human diseases: principles, associated technologies, animal management and ethics. Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, June 5-13, 2017.
- 2015 **Animal models for multiple sclerosis.** The 3rd Panhellenic Meeting of the Hellenic Academy of Neuroimmunology for Multiple Sclerosis, Athens, November 19-22, 2015.
- Animal models of neuroinflammatory diseases: strengths and weaknesses.** International Joint Israel-Greek-Italian Neuroimmunological Meeting, Elounda, Crete, 11-14 June 2015.
- Animal models of neuroinflammatory diseases: strengths and weaknesses.** The 15th ESNI Course, Prague, Czech Republic, June 1-4, 2015.
- Animal models for multiple sclerosis.** The 3rd Scientific Forum: From Washington to Porto Heli, Porto Heli, Greece, May 29- June 1, 2015.
- 2014 **Therapeutic approaches for the treatment of CNS autoimmunity and neuroinflammation.** University of Vigo, Vigo, Spain, October 24, 2014.
- Animal models for multiple sclerosis.** The 2nd Scientific Forum: From Philadelphia to Porto Heli, Porto Heli, Greece, June 13-15, 2014.
- 2012 **Neuronal control of CNS inflammation.** The Joint Israeli-Greek Neuroimmunological Meeting 2012, Porto Carras Hotel, Chalkidiki, Greece, June 29-July 2, 2012.
- 2011 **Re-establishing peripheral tolerance to CNS antigens for therapy in multiple sclerosis.** Hotel Cape Sounio, Attiki, Greece, September 30-October 2, 2011.

- Tuning TNF as a target for therapy in CNS inflammation.** Seventh Aegean Meeting on Neurological Therapeutics, Capsis Convention Centre, Heraklion, Crete, May 27-28, 2011.
- De-sensitization of the immune system for therapy in multiple sclerosis.** 62nd Meeting of the Hellenic Society for Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Athens, Greece, December 2011.
- 2010 **The TNF-NF κ B signaling axis in CNS neurons in health and disease.**
 COST Action B30, Nereplias, Final Meeting, Carmona, Spain, June 2010.
 Fifth NeuroproMiSe Meeting, Rome, Italy, 21-22 October 2010.
- 2009 **Role of the neuronal TNFRI/ NF- κ B signaling axis in the maintenance of CNS immune privilege and neuroprotection.** New developments in multiple sclerosis research, Groningen, The Netherlands, June 2009.
Neuronal Control of Inflammation. Ninth ESNI Course, Istanbul, Turkey, September 2009.
 Fourth NeuroproMiSe Meeting, Athens, Greece, 9-10 November 2009.
- 2008 **Role of neuronal TNF ligand/receptor signalling axis in the maintenance of CNS immune privilege and neuroprotection.** Twenty-second Annual Meeting of the Hellenic Society for Neuroscience, Athens, Greece, October 2008.
 Workshop on CNS Inflammation and Third NeuroproMiSe General Meeting, Toulouse, France, 3-5 November 2008.
Autoimmune neurodegenerative syndromes. Hellenic Research Foundation Workshop- Recent advances in the pathophysiology and treatment of neurodegenerative diseases, Athens Greece, June 2008.
Neuronal Control of Myelination. Gordon Research Conference Myelin, Il Ciocco, Italy, May 2008.
- 2007 Second NeuroproMiSe Meeting, Bonn, Germany, 12-13 November 2007.
- 2006 **Death receptor signaling pathways control neuron fate following ischemic injury.** COST Action B30, Nereplias, First Meeting, Carmona, Spain, November 2006.
 First NeuroproMiSe Meeting, Rome, Italy, 6 November 2006.
- 2005 **Immunoregulation of Th1 and Th2 responses in neuroinflammation.**
 Sixth ESNI Course, Thessaloniki, Greece, September 2005.
- 2004 **Death receptor signaling pathways control neuron fate following ischemic injury.** Seventh International Congress of Neuroimmunology (ISNI), Venice, Italy, September 2004.
Immunoregulatory role of c-FLIP_L in T lymphocytes. Keystone Symposium on Regulatory T cells, Banff, Canada, September 2004.
Visualisation of proliferative and cytotoxic mechanisms induced by TNF in transgenic mice as a means for understanding the development of inflammatory lesions. Educational Seminars in Science & Technology "Applications of Methodology in Light Microscopy in Biomedical Research and Diagnosis". Hellenic Pasteur Institute, May 2004.
- 2003 **Animal Models in Understanding Autoimmune Diseases.** Fourth Conference of Medical Chemistry: Drug Discovery and Design. University of Patras, Departments of Chemistry & Pharmacology, March 2003.
- 2002 **Neuroprotective effects of TNF/p55TNFR signaling in vivo following experimental ischemia are mediated by NF- κ B.** Ninth TNF Superfamily Congress, San Diego, USA. September 2002.
Cytokine-mediated brain damage. Third ESNI Course Tampere, Finland, September 2002.

- Animal Models in Understanding Autoimmune Diseases.** Third Conference of Medical Chemistry: Drug Discovery and Design. University of Patras, Departments of Chemistry & Pharmacology, March 2002.
- Functional genetics in mice.** Harakopeio University, Athens. January 2002.
- Towards understanding multiple sclerosis; modeling of disease mechanisms and therapeutic approaches in animals.** Postgraduate Seminars in Immunology, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, January 2002.
- 2001 **Role of the TNF receptor family in cell death & survival in the CNS.** FEBS Advanced Course "From Differentiation to Death of Nerve Cells". Spetses, Greece, September 2001.
- The role of TNF in EAE/MS: modeling of disease mechanisms and therapeutic approaches in animals.** Fourteenth National Conference of Italian Immunology Society, Abano, Italy. June 6-9, 2001.
- Transgenic Mice, Models for Human Disease,** Educational Seminars "Modern Diagnostic Methodology in Infectious & Autoimmune Diseases", Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, April 2001.
- Use of Animal Models for Understanding Multiple Sclerosis.** Second Conference of Medical Chemistry: Drug Discovery and Design. University of Patras, Departments of Chemistry & Pharmacology, March 2001.
- 2000 **Cross-talk between the immune and the nervous system: role of TNF in glial cell function and implications for pathology.** Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Hellenic Society for Neuroscience, Patras, October 2000.
- 1999 **TNF-mediated protection of the eye during retina-targeted autoimmune disease studied in knockout mice,** Institute of Ophthalmic Research, INSERM, Paris, October 1999.
- Transgenic and Knockout Models of TNF-induced Inflammation and Demyelination,** Neurological Clinic, University Hospital of Szeged, Hungary, February 1999.
- TNF and its receptors in CNS Function: Friend and Foe.** Institute for Medical Research, Budapest, Hungary, February 1999.
- The use of transgenic and knockout mice for the analysis of the immune and inflammatory activities of TNF in the CNS.** Medical School, University of Athens, January 1999.
- 1998 **Transgenic and Knockout Models of TNF-induced Inflammation and Demyelination.** Ares-Serono, Geneva, Switzerland, November 1998.
- The TNF/TNF receptor system in CNS Disease: studies in transgenic & mutant mice.** Fifth ISNI Congress, Montreal, Canada, August 1998.
- TNF ligand/receptor signalling induces MS-type plaques in the CNS of transgenic mice.** Fifth International Congress of Neuroimmunology (ISNI), Montreal, Canada, August 23-27, 1998.
- TNF and receptors in CNS function: Friend and Foe.** Seventh TNF Congress, Hyannis, MA, USA, May 1998.
- Transmembrane TNF signalling through p75TNFR induces inflammatory ischemia in the CNS of transgenic mice.** Seventh TNF Congress, Hyannis, MA, USA, May 1998.
- Transgenic models of TNF-alpha induced demyelination.** Third European Meeting on Glial Function, Athens, Greece, May 1998.
- Local TNF/p55TNF receptor signaling in the CNS of transgenic mice models multiple sclerosis.** Eighteenth European Workshop for Rheumatology Research. Athens, March 1998.
- 1997 **TNF-mediated CNS inflammation and demyelination models chronic and acute multiple sclerosis.** International Symposium: Immunopathology of Multiple Sclerosis, University of Vienna, Austria, November 1997.

- TNF-triggered CNS inflammation, demyelination and T cell autoreactivity in transgenic mice: A role for mature lymphocytes in disease modulation but not disease initiation.** Thirteenth European Immunology Meeting, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, June 1997.
- 1996 **Autoimmune reactivity in a transgenic model of TNF alpha-triggered CNS inflammation and demyelination.** First Joint Meeting of the International Cytokine Society (ICS)/International Society for Cytokine Research (ISICR), Geneva, Switzerland, October 1996.
- Transgenic animal models of TNF-mediated CNS pathology.** Sixth International TNF Congress, Rhodes, May 1996.
- 1995 **Transgenic animal models of human neurodegenerative diseases: aiding drug design.** Biomed Workshop - Amino Acids, Peptides and Proteins/Drug Discovery and Design, University of Patras, Greece, November 1995.
- 1994 Text & Narrative for the Educational Video : **“Transgenic Mice”** showing transgenic technologies, Laboratory of Molecular Genetics, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, produced by the Agricultural Bank of Greece within the framework of the European programme COMMET/AGROBIOTECH. 1994.
- 1993 **Technologies for Analyzing Gene Expression & Function.** Seminars in Molecular Biology, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, November 1993.
- 1989 **Abnormalities of the enteric neuropeptide system in inflammatory bowel disease.** International Meeting on IBD, Athens, April 1989.
- 1983 **The ultrastructural localisation of neuropeptide Y (NPY)-immunoreactivity within the gut and its association with sympathetic nerves.** The 146th Meeting of the Pathological Society of Great Britain & Ireland, Edinburgh, Scotland. July 1983.
- 1983-1984 Teaching & Practical Demonstrations to undergraduate Biochemistry students in course **“Hormone Action”** and supervision of two undergraduate student research projects. Imperial College of Medicine, Science & Technology, University of London.
- 1981 **Substance P and VIP are present in distinct subpopulations of p-type enteric neurons.** The 143rd Meeting of the Pathological Society of Great Britain & Ireland, Dundee, Scotland, July 1981.
- 1980 **Ultrastructure of the gut innervation.** Postgraduate Histopathology Seminars; Mini-Symposium on Distribution and Tissue Localisation of Regulatory Peptides of the Gut, RPMS, Hammersmith Hospital, October 1980.
- 1980 **Immunoelectroncytochemistry of substance P.** Presented at the Meeting of Royal Society of Medicine, (Pathology Section), London, October 1980.
- 1979-1984 Teaching & Supervision during Postgraduate Course in **Histochemistry & Immunocytochemistry.** Royal Postgraduate Medical School, Hammersmith Hospital, University of London.
- 1979-1983 Teaching undergraduate students in **Anatomy, Physiology, Biology, Immunology, Electrophysiology and Electron Microscopy Courses.** University of London.

SUPERVISION OF DOCTORAL THESES

1. **Irini Papazian, MSc.,** Biologist
 “Different roles of soluble and transmembrane TNF during the development of inflammation of the CNS”.
 Department of Medicine, School of Life Sciences, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece.
2. **Maria Karamita,** Molecular Biologist

- “The role of cell-specific depletion of the transcription factor NF- κ B in the development of inflammation and demyelination during neuroinflammatory disease of the CNS using conditionally gene-targeted mice”.
- Department of Medicine, School of Life Sciences, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. March 2016. Currently Civil Servant, Greek National Health System (EOPYY), Kalymnos, Greece.
3. **Vassiliki Kyrargyri**, Biologist
 “The role of the transcription factor NF- κ B in neuron physiology and in diseases of the central nervous system” .
 Department of Medicine, School of Life Sciences, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. September 2014. Subsequently postdoctoral fellow, UCL Neuroscience, Physiology and Pharmacology, London, UK (2015-2018). Currently, postdoctoral fellow, Laboratory Molecular Genetics, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece.
 4. **Androniki Voulgari-Kokota**, Molecular Biologist
 “Role of innate CNS inflammation in signaling neural and bone marrow-derived stem cells recruitment and tissue repair”.
 Department of Medicine, School of Life Sciences, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. June 2012. Currently research assistant, Diagnostic Department, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece.
 5. **Maria Evangelidou**, Biologist
 "Study of the role of caspase 8 in T lymphocyte differentiation and function using in vitro and transgenic mouse systems".
 Department of Medicine, School of Life Sciences, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. June 2010. Currently research assistant, Diagnostic Department, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece.
 6. **Mary Emmanouil**, Biologist
 “Study of the cellular basis of TNF signaling during CNS inflammation, demyelination and repair in a mouse model of multiple sclerosis”.
 Department of Medicine, School of Life Sciences, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. February 2010. Currently research assistant, Diagnostic Department, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece.
 7. **Giorgos Pissas**, Biologist
 “Study of the role of the hepatitis C virus core/core+1 proteins in hepatic carcinoma using transgenic mice”.
 Department of Medicine, School of Life Sciences, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece.
 8. **Erasmia Taoufik**, Biologist
 “Study of the role of tumour necrosis factor (TNF) in cerebral ischaemia”.
 Department of Medicine, School of Life Sciences, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. July 2007. Currently Researcher level C, Laboratory of Cellular & Molecular Neurobiology, Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece.
 9. **Vivian Tseveleki**, Biochemist
 “Study of the role of the apoptosis signaling pathway in T lymphocytes during immune responses. The contribution of death receptors of the TNF superfamily”.
 Department of Medicine, School of Life Sciences, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. December 2006. Currently employed by Pharmaceutical Company, Athens, Greece.
 10. **Ioanna Dagliani**, Chemist
 “Study of the structure and biological activity of peptide mimetics of myelin basic protein (MBP)”.
 Department of Chemistry, School of Life Sciences, University of Patras, Greece. November 2002.

11. **Giorgos Kassiotis, Biologist**
 “Generation & characterization of transgenic mouse models for human neuroinflammatory diseases”.
 Section of Genetics, Developmental and Molecular Biology, Department of Biology, School of Life Sciences, Aristotelion University of Thessaloniki, Greece. July 2000. Currently Researcher at MRC National Institute for Medical Research, Immunoregulation Group, London, UK.
12. **Katerina Akassoglou, Biologist**
 “Study of the role of tumour necrosis factor (TNF) in the nervous system by use of transgenic mice”.
 Department of Biology, School of Life Sciences, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. June 1998. Currently Professor of Neurology, UCSF, USA.

SUPERVISION OF MASTERS PROJECTS

1. **Athena Boutou, B.Sc. Biology, M.Sc.** student Athens International Masters Program in Neurosciences, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. Research Project entitled “Study of the mechanism by which TNF inhibits myelin phagocytosis by macrophages”. September 2018-July 2019.
2. **Anastasia Dagonaki, B.Sc. Biology, M.Sc.** student Molecular & Applied Physiology course (supervised by Prof. M. Koutsilieris), School of Medicine, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. Research Project entitled “Study of the role of T cell energy in myelin-specific T cells upon their migration into the CNS”. March 2016- July 2017.
3. **Pantelis Xenias, B.Sc. Biology, M.Sc.** student Molecular Medicine course (supervised by Prof. N. Anagnou), School of Medicine, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. Rotation June 2014- September 2014. M.Sc. Research Project entitled “Study of the role of T cell proliferation in the development of experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis”. October 2014- August 2015.
4. **Fotios Lampros, B.Sc. Biology, M.Sc.** student Southern Denmark University, Denmark. M.Sc. Research Project entitled “Evaluation of mannan-conjugated myelin antigens as an immunotherapy strategy for inducing T cell tolerance and protection against experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis in an HLA-DR2 humanized mouse model for multiple sclerosis”. September 2014- August 2015.
5. **Eirini Sfyroera, B.Sc. Biology, MSc** student Molecular Medicine course (supervised by Prof. N. Anagnou), School of Medicine, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. Rotation February 2014-June 2014.
6. **Eirini Papazian, B.Sc. Biology, M.Sc.** student, Molecular and Applied Physiology course (supervised by Prof. M Koutsilieris), School of Medicine, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece., project entitled “Study of the changes in phenotype induced in cortical neuron cultures by mesenchymal stem cells during neuroprotection against glutamate-induced cell death”, February 2012-December 2012.
7. **Nikos Simos, B.Sc. Mathematics, M.Sc.** student Bioinformatics course, Wageningen University, Netherlands. MSc Research Project entitled "Approaches to analyze and integrate data from microarray gene expression analyses of brain in three mouse models of human CNS neurodegenerative disease". March-May 2006.

SUPERVISION OF UNDERGRADUATE PROJECTS (“DIPLOMATIKI”)

1. **Eleni Tsoukala, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece.** 4th year B.Sc. project, title “Study of the role of neuronal TNFR1 in vitro and in vivo in

- models of neuroprotection and neurotoxicity using conditional gene-targeting in mice” September 2017-July 2018.
2. **Athena Boutou**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. 4th year B.Sc. project, title “Study of the mechanisms of neuroprotection mediated by TNF receptors 1 and 2 *in vivo* using conditionally gene-targeted mice” September 2016-July 2017.
 3. **Lida Iliopoulou**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. 4th year B.Sc. project, title “Study of the mechanisms of neuroprotection mediated by TNF receptors 1 and 2 *in vitro* and *in vivo* using conditionally gene-targeted mice” October 2015-June 2016.
 4. **Maria Avloniti**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. 4th year B.Sc. project, title “Analysis of the interactions between dendritic cells and T lymphocytes in the induction of immune tolerance for the therapy of autoimmune diseases of the central nervous system”, October 2014-July 2015.
 5. **Marina Papoulia**, Department of Biological Applications and Technologies, University of Ioannina, Greece. 4th year B.Sc. Project entitled “Study of the role of NF-κB in brain microglial cells during neurodegenerative disease using transgenic mouse models”. July 2012, September 2012-December 2013.
 6. **Michael Makryllos**, Molecular Biology & Genetics student, University of Thrace, Greece. 4th year Undergraduate Project entitled “Design and construction of a conditional BACs transgene for expression of the human TNFR1 in mice”. February 2009- June 2011.
 7. **Areti Manta**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. 4th year Undergraduate Project entitled “Study of the role of caspase 8 in T cell activation through the T cell receptor using caspase 8 mutants in human T lymphocytes (Jurkat cells)”. December 2007- June 2008.
 8. **Sophia Beina**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. 4th year Undergraduate Project entitled “Study of the cell-specific roles of NF-κB in the development of CNS inflammation in a multiple sclerosis model”. October 2007- May 2008.
 9. **Michael Koutrollos**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. 4th year Undergraduate Project entitled “Study of the role of the neuronal NF-κB/FLIP axis in neuroprotection during experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis”. October 2006- May 2007.
 10. **Maria Karamita**, Molecular Biology & Genetics student, University of Thrace, Greece. 4th year Undergraduate Project entitled “Characterization of a conditional gene targeting system in endothelial cells with the aim of investigating the role of inflammation in the brain”. March-September 2006.
 11. **Athanassia Stathopoulou**, Molecular Biology & Genetics student, University of Thrace, Greece. 4th year Undergraduate Project entitled “Study of the role of caspase 8 in T cell function through the use of siRNA” March 2005- August 2005.
 12. **Thomas Alexandris**, Biotechnology student, University of Aberdeen, Scotland. 4th year Undergraduate Project entitled “Study of the role of the long isoform of c-FLIP (c-FLIPL) in TNF/TNFR1 induced NF-κB activation and cytoprotection”. October 2004-August 2005.
 13. **Orestis Argyros**, Molecular & Cellular Biology student, University of Aberdeen, Scotland. 4th year Undergraduate Project entitled “Role of TNF in the cells of the oligodendrocyte lineage”. October 2002-August 2003.
 14. **Elena Odiatou**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. 4th year Undergraduate Project entitled “Study of the role of TNF in experimental autoimmune uveitis using transgenic mice”. October 2001-August 2002.

SUPERVISION OF PRACTICAL LABORATORY EXPERIENCE

1. **Konstantinos Kontodimas**, Biology student, Boston University, Boston, USA. Practical laboratory experience for 2 weeks during 2nd year of BSc degree, July 2018.
2. **Orestis Katsoulis**, Biology student, University of Newcastle, England, UK. Practical laboratory experience for 1.5 months during 2nd year of BSc degree, June-July 2018.
3. **Ioanna Pyromali**, Biology student, University of Newcastle, England, UK. Practical laboratory experience for 1.5 months during 2nd year of BSc degree, June-July 2018.
4. **Katerina Panagiotidi**, Biology student, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, UK. Practical laboratory experience for 2 weeks during 2nd year of BSc degree, July 2018.
5. **Katerina Loupasaki**, IB High School student, Athens College, Athens. Practical laboratory experience for 2 week at end of 1st year IB course, July 2018.
6. **Alexander Patellis**, Biology student, University of Crete, Greece. Practical laboratory experience for 1 month during 2nd year of BSc degree, July 2017.
7. **Magda Kreouzi**, Medical student, Medical School of National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. Practical laboratory experience for 1 month during 1st year of Medical degree, June 2017.
8. **Afroditi Piniailidi**, Forensic Biology student, Manchester Metropolitan University, Manchester, UK. Practical laboratory experience for 1.5 months during 2nd year of BSc degree June-July 2017.
9. **Lily Kokoti**, Medical student, Medical School of National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. Practical laboratory experience (histopathology) during 5th year of Medical degree, May-July 2017.
10. **Anna Maria Mavriyiannaki**, IB High School student, Moraitis School, Athens. Practical laboratory experience for 1 week at end of 2nd year IB course, July 2016.
11. **Elena Markoulaki**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. Practical laboratory experience for 1 month during 2nd year of BSc degree, August 2016.
12. **Evi Vlachou**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. Practical laboratory experience for 2.5 months during 2nd year of BSc degree, June-August 2016.
13. **Lida Iliopoulou**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. Practical laboratory experience for 4 months during 2nd year of BSc degree, July 2015-October 2015.
14. **Chris Vrettos**, IB High School student, Moraitis School, Athens. Practical laboratory experience for 1 week at end of 2nd year IB course, July 2014. Now undergraduate student in Biology at UCL, London, UK.
15. **Dafni Tzini**, IB High School student, Moraitis School, Athens. Practical laboratory experience for 1 week at end of 2nd year IB course, July 2014.
16. **Maria Avloniti**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. Practical laboratory experience for 4 months during 2nd year of BSc degree with project title "Analyzing dendritic cell-T cell interactions in autoimmune disease of the central nervous system", February 2014-June 2014.
17. **Eleni Hatzivagia**, Biochemistry & Biotechnology student, University of Thessalia, Greece. Practical laboratory experience for 2 months during 2nd year of BSc degree, July 2013-August 2013.
18. **Panayiotis-Orpheas Protopsaltis**, Biology student, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. Practical laboratory experience for 3 months during 2nd year of BSc degree, February-May 2008.
19. **Konstantina Ioannidou**, Biology student, University of Patras. Practical laboratory experience in 4th year of BSc degree, January-July 2011.
20. **Amalia Stantzou**, Biology student, Universite Pierre et Marie Curie, Paris, France. Practical laboratory experience in 2nd year of BSc degree, June-July 2008.

21. **Christos Georgiadis**, Biochemistry student, College of Life Sciences, University of Dundee, UK. Practical laboratory experience in 2nd year of BSc degree “Gene expression profiling of CNS diseases in mouse models for the discovery of specific pathogenic pathways and innate tissue defense responses”. June-July 2007.
22. **Eirini Papadaki**, Biochemistry & Biotechnology student, University of Thessalia, Greece. July-August 2004.
23. **Marianna Georgakopoulou**, Psychology student, Panteon University, Athens, Greece. October 2002-August 2003.
24. **Sandrine Billet**, Biochemistry student, University Pierre et Marie Curie (Paris VI). “Study of the role of FLIP as a regulator of T cell function during experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis”. July- August 2000.

SPECIALIZED TRAINING & TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE

Members of my research team are encouraged to attend specialized courses and to visit other Institutes in the context of ongoing research collaborations so that they can further their knowledge and technical expertise, and also transfer this knowledge to HPI. Following are main examples:

Flow cytometry (FACS)

- PhD student participation in International School of Flow Cytometry (IFCS) “Antigen Specific T Cell Flow Cytometry”, Munich, Germany, September 2003 (Vivian Tseveleki, supported by IFCS stipend).
- PhD student hosted for four months in the Laboratories of Professor Andreas Radbruch and Dr. Alexander Sheffold, DRFZ German Rheumatology Research Centre, Berlin, Germany (Vivian Tseveleki, supported by studentship from DAAD- German Academic Exchange Service, Bonn, Germany).

cDNA microarrays and bioinformatics

- PhD student participation in EMBO practical course “DNA Microarrays: Applications and Data Analysis”, September 2001, EMBL Heidelberg, Germany (Vivian Tseveleki, supported by EMBO stipend)
- PhD student hosted for two one-month periods in the Laboratory of Dr. John Quackenbush, The Institute for Genomic Research, Washington, USA. March 2004, July 2004 (Vivian Tseveleki, supported by research grant from Greek Secretariat of Science & Technology, Bilateral R&T Collaboration Greece-USA).

Conditional gene targeting in mice

- PhD student participation in EMBO practical course “Mouse Genome Engineering by Site-Specific recombinases”, September 2001, Brunswieg, Germany (Era Taoufik, supported by EMBO stipend).

Modern methods in neuropathology

- PhD student hosted for two months by Professor Hans Lassmann, Laboratory of Experimental Neuropathology, Brain Research Institute, Medical University of Vienna, Austria. September 1996 (Katerina Akassoglou, supported by EMBO fellowship).
- PhD student participation in the one-week COST Action Neurinfnet Training School, Neuroimmune Interactions held in Braga, Portugal, June 2009 (Maria Karamita, supported by ESF COST Action Neurinfnet BM0603).
- PhD student hosted for one month by Professor Hans Lassmann, Laboratory of Experimental Neuropathology, Brain Research Institute, Medical University of Vienna, Austria. May 2011 (Maria Karamita, supported by ESF COST Action Neurinfnet BM0603 STSM).

Isolation and manipulation of T lymphocytes for study in vitro and in vivo

- PhD student hosted for two months by Professor Hartmut Wekerle, Max-Planck-Institute of Neurobiology, Martinsried, Germany, July 1996 (Giorgos Kassiotis, supported by an EMBO fellowship).
- Postdoctoral researcher hosted for two weeks by Professor Hartmut Wekerle and Dr Guru Krishnamoorthy, Max-Planck-Institute of Neurobiology, Martinsried, Germany, November 2009 to learn to isolate CNS-infiltrating monocytes from mice with EAE and to induce adoptive T cell transfer EAE (Dr Vivian Tseveleki, supported by COST Action Neurinfnet BM0603 STSM).

Electrophysiology-induction of LTP and LTD in acute murine hippocampal slices

- PhD student hosted for three months by Dr Ana Sebastiao, University of Lisbon, Portugal, February-April 2009 (Vassiliki Kyrargiri, supported by ESF COST Action Nereplas B30 STSM).
- PhD student hosted for two weeks by Professor David Attwell, Department of Neuroscience, Physiology and Pharmacology, University College London, September 2010 (Vassiliki Kyrargiri, supported by ESF COST Action Neurinfnet BM0603 STSM).

Experimental cerebral ischemia and spinal cord injury

- Researcher hosted for five days by Professor Nikolaus Plesnila, Laboratory of Experimental Stroke Research, Institute for Stroke and Dementia Research (ISD), LMU Munich Medical School, December 2012, to acquire expertise in modeling and analyzing cerebral stroke and spinal cord injury in mice (Dr Era Taoufik, supported by FP6 REGPOT program).

Multiphoton microscopy for live imaging in spinal cord and brain

- Postdoctoral researcher hosted for two weeks in the laboratory of Dr Naoto Kawakami, Max-Planck-Institute of Neurobiology, Martinsried, Germany, March 2011 to acquire expertise in the use of multiphoton microscopy, which allows deep tissue penetration in tissue slices and live anaesthetized mice, and, without thermal damage. Using T cell transfer techniques important features of inflammatory neurodegeneration such as neuro - immune interactions were visualized during the development of CNS pathology (Dr Maria Evangelidou, supported by FP6 REGPOT program).

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TRANSGENIC MOUSE DISEASE MODELS DEVELOPED

Mouse name	Phenotype	Reference
Tg1278 huTNF (regulated huTNF expression)	normal	Keffer et al (1991) <i>EMBO J.</i> 10:4025
Tg197 huTNF-globin (huTNF in synoviocytes)	rheumatoid arthritis	Keffer et al (1991) <i>EMBO J.</i> 10:4025
Tg7 CD2-huTNF	normal	Probert et al (1993) <i>J. Immun.</i> 151:1894

(huTNF in T cells)			
Tg211 CD2-huTNF-globin (huTNF in T cells)	cachexia/ septic shock	Probert et al (1993) <i>J. Immunol.</i> 151:1894	
Tg6074 muTNF-globin (muTNF in oligos)	multiple sclerosis	Probert et al (1995) <i>PNAS USA</i> 92:11294 Akassoglou et al (1998) <i>AJP</i> 153: 801	
TgK21 GFAP-huTNFΔ1-12-globin (tm huTNF in astrocytes)	multiple sclerosis CMT	Akassoglou et al (1997) <i>J.Immunol.</i> 158: 438 Akassoglou et al (1998) <i>Am.J.Path.</i> 153: 801	
TgK742 NFL-huTNF-globin (huTNF in neurons)	encephalitis	Akassoglou et al (1997) <i>J.Immunol.</i> 158: 438	
TgK3, TgK11, TgK14 NFL-huTNFΔ1-12-globin (tm huTNF in neurons)	normal	Akassoglou et al (1997) <i>J.Immunol.</i> 158: 438	
Tg36 CD2-huFLIPL (huFLIP in T cells)	normal	Tseveleki et al (2004) <i>J.Immunol.</i> 173: 6619	
Tg6988 NFL-muFLIP-IRES-EGFP (muFLIP in neurons)	normal	Taoufik et al (2007) <i>J Neurosci.</i> 27: 6633	
Tg4617 NFL-dnIkB-IRES-EGFP (dnIkB in neurons)	normal	Casals et al, submitted for publication 2014.	
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 87. Probert L. Symposium Organizer and Chairperson- Signalling Mechanisms in Brain Inflammation (co-chaired with Dr Jon Sedgwick, Eli Lilly Co., CA, USA). The 7th

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 93. Haralambous S. Course participant "Cytopreservation of mouse germplasm" Monterotondo Scalo, Rome, Italy, November 6-7, 2003.
 94. Tseveleki V. Course participant in International Flow Cytometry School "Antigen Specific T Cell Flow Cytometry", Munich, Germany, September 2003.
 95. Probert L. Symposium Organizer and Chairperson- Neurodegeneration and Immunoregulation (co-chaired with Prof. Nils Gilhus, Oslo, Norway). The 4th European School of Neuroimmunology (ESNI) Course, Barcelona, Spain, September 2003.
 96. Taoufik E. Immunoregulatory mechanisms in neuroprotection. The 4th European School of Neuroimmunology (ESNI) Course, Barcelona, Spain, September 2003 (invited talk).
 97. Argyros O, Tseveleki V, Bauer J, Taoufik E, van Roojen N, Lassmann H, Probert L. Functional dissociation of the central and peripheral effects of TNF in the development of CNS inflammation and demyelination in transgenic mice. Fourth European School of Neuroimmunology Course, Barcelona, Spain, September 2003 (poster presentation, O Argyros).
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 102. Probert L. Cytokine mediated brain damage. Third European School of Neuroimmunology Course, Tampere, Finland, September 11-14, 2002 (invited talk).

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110. Tseveleki V. Course participant EMBO practical course "DNA Microarrays: Applications and Data Analysis", Heidelberg, Germany, September 2001.
111. Probert L. The role of TNF in experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis/ multiple sclerosis: modeling of disease mechanisms and therapeutic approaches in animals. Fourteenth National Conference of the Italian Immunology Society, Abano, Italy, June 6-9, 2001 (plenary lecture). *Minerva Biotechnologica; J. Biotechnol. Mol. Biol.* June 2001, 13 (3): 184.
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- by cytokines: critical role of tumor necrosis alpha. Thirteenth International Congress of Eye Research, Paris 1998 (oral presentation, Y de Kojak).
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