

Curriculum Vitae

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Personal

Personal Details

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Objective & Career Plan

As an enthusiastic senior doctor with a level of significant clinical experience in Greece along with a research background, and higher specialist training in Thoracic Surgery in UK, I'd like to provide to my patients the best medical services.

Registration

- 10/2006 Full Registration as a Medical Practitioner,
Medical Association of Thessaloniki, Greece.
Reference number: G1/26174
- 07/2015 Full Registration as a Medical Practitioner,
General Medical Council, London, UK.
GMC Reference number: 7514398 (paused)

Education & Qualifications

12/2020 - 04/2022 M.Sc. in Management of Health and Social Care. Postgraduate Program.
(Level 7 EQF) Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece
Class of award: Excellent - 9.70 (Scale 1 to 10).

01/2012 – 06/2019 Doctorate in Medical Science, Histology Department, Medical School,
(Level 8 EQF) Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece.
Class of award: Excellent - A

18/05/2016 National Board of Cardiothoracic Surgery
(Level 8 EQF) Region of Central Macedonia, Prefect of Thessaloniki,
Prefectural Authority of Thessaloniki, Greece.

01/2011 - 12/2012 M.Sc. in Endovascular techniques. Transnational Postgraduate Program.
(Level 7 EQF) Collaboration between University of Athens and Dept. of Surgical
Sciences University of Milan - Bicocca, (3.2.2012), Greece.
Class of award: Excellent - 9.90 (Scale 1 to 10).

25/10/2006 Licence to practice Medicine, Ref. numb: G1/26174. Hellenic Republic,
Region of Central Macedonia, Prefect of Thessaloniki,
Prefectural Authority of Thessaloniki, Greece.

02/1999 - 10/2006 MB.BS Degree (ptychio) in Medicine, Hellenic Republic,
(Level 6 EQF) Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, School of Medicine, Thessaloniki, Greece.
Class of award: Very Good - 6.75 (Scale 1 to 10).

- 09/1996 - 11/1998 Bachelor's Degree (ptychio) in Medical Laboratories, Hellenic Republic,
(Level 6 EQF) Faculty of Sciences of Health and Providence,
Technological Educational Institution of Thessaloniki, Greece.
Class of award: Very Good - 8.30 (Scale 1 to 10)
- 09/1994 - 06/1996 Degree (ptychio) in Medium Technical Professional Nursing Faculty, Hellenic
(Level 5 EQF) Republic, General Hospital "G. Papanikolaou", Thessaloniki, Greece.
Class of award: Excellent - 18.83 (Scale 1 to 20).
- 09/1989 - 06/1992 High School, Hellenic Republic, Thessaloniki, Greece.
(Level 3 EQF) Class of award: Excellent - 18.60 (Scale 1 to 20).
- 29/08/2015 IELTS (academic)
CEFR Level: B2 - Overall Band Score:6,5
Test Report Form Number:15GR001527KLEA026A

Resuscitation

- 10-11/01/2015 Advance Life Support (ALS) Provider, European Resuscitation Council
Certificate Number: 30-15-106507-03-18 (Valid until:10 Jan 2020)

Prizes & Grants

- 1st Prize for the Best work in field of Lung Cancer of national symposium
"The benefit of trimodality treatment in patients with NSCLC and N2 disease"
26th Hellenic Pulmonary Congress
9-12 /11/2017, Athens, Greece
- 1st Prize for the Best work of national symposium
"Surgical treatment of Pancoast tumours after neoadjuvant chemo radiotherapy. Twelve years
experience (1999-2010)"
3rd Working Group Symposium of Greek Society of Cardiothoracic Thoracic Surgeons
8-10 /04/2011, Ioannina, Greece
- 2nd Prize for the Best work of national IT Forum
"Medical information system supporting medication"
2nd National Technology Forum
08/05/2015, Thessaloniki, Greece
- 3rd Prize for the Best work of national Congress
"Modified pleural tenting for prevention of anastomotic leak after Ivor Lewis
esophagogastrectomy"
1st Congress of General Surgery
25-27/05/2012, Thessaloniki, Greece

Employment History

Current Employment

- 11/2019 - today Scientific Director of Thoracic Surgery Department
Interbalkan Medical Center, Thessaloniki, Greece (47 months).
Private Practice
- 02/2020 – today Senior Managing Director
Synthalia Information Technology Ltd, Dublin, Ireland (44 months)
- 2001 – today Scientific Director
Ergobyte Information Technology S.A., Thessaloniki, Greece (20 years)

Previous Employment

- 06/2018 - 05/2022 Medical Reviewer
Health Insurance Audit Management Services Company
MedNet Greece S.A. (47 months)
- 04/2018 – 02/2021 Senior Managing Director
DataLife Information Technology Ltd, Thessaloniki, Greece (34 months)
- 09/2016 - 11/2019 Consultant in Thoracic Surgery
at Interbalkan Medical Center, Thessaloniki, Greece (38 months).
Private Practice
- 05/2016 - 08/2016 Consultant in Cardiothoracic Surgery
at AHEPA University Hospital, Thessaloniki, Greece (4 months).
Clinical Director: Prof. K. Anastasiadis
- 12/2015 - 05/2016 Senior Specialist Registrar (SpR) in Cardiothoracic Surgery
at AHEPA University Hospital, Thessaloniki, Greece (5 months).
Educational Supervisor: Prof. K. Anastasiadis
- 09/2012 - 12/2015 Clinical Fellow in Thoracic Department at St. James' Institute of Oncology,
University Hospital, The Leeds Teaching Hospital Trust, NHS, UK (4 months)
Educational Supervisor: Prof. K. Papagiannopoulos
- 04/2012 - 09/2015 Senior Specialist Registrar (SpR) in Cardiothoracic Surgery at AHEPA
University Hospital, Thessaloniki, Greece (39 months).
Educational Supervisor: Prof. K. Anastasiadis
- 12/2011 – 04/2012 Senior Specialist Registrar (SpR) in Cardiothoracic Surgery at Theagenio
General Cancer Hospital of Thessaloniki, Greece (4 months).
Educational Supervisor: Dr C. Tsilikas
- 11/2008 – 12/2011 Specialist Registrar (SpR) in General Surgery at Theagenio
General Cancer Hospital of Thessaloniki, Greece (37 months).
Educational Supervisor: Dr G. Chrysafis

02/2007 – 11/2008 Scientific associate in the Department of Pulmonary – Oncology at Theagenio General Cancer Hospital of Thessaloniki, Greece (21 months).
Educational Supervisor: Dr J. Angel

Clinical Experience

Over the past fifteen years, since commencing my career in Cardiothoracic Surgery, I have gained extensive and broad experience in all aspects of the speciality. I have updated my personal practices and knowledge by reflective practice and self-directed learning, as well as attending internal and external seminars, courses and meetings.

Thoracic Surgery

- Bronchoscopy
- Endoscopic tracheobronchial surgery
- Lung cancer surgery
- Malignant pleural effusions
- Mesothelioma surgery
- Chest wall tumours surgery
- Chest wall deformities surgery
- Oesophageal surgery
- VATS (Video assisted thoracic surgery)
- RATS (Robotic assisted thoracic surgery)
- Infusion ports
- Hyperthermic perfusion
- Multidiscipline therapies

Cardiac Surgery

- Coronary arteries surgery
- Valve surgery
- Thoracic aortic surgery
- Minimal invasive extracorporeal circulation technologies

Medical Information System Technology & Projects

- International Medicine Platform – RxReasoner (www.rxreasoner.com)
- Galen Medicines Compedium - Rx (www.galinos.gr)

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- DataLife Clinic Management - Health Information System (HIS)
- galinos.office - EMR (Electronic Medical Records) (www.galinos.office.gr)
- Web Dictionary of Medical Terminology (Greek↔English)
- Innopolis Knowledge Exchange

Generic Skills

Experience in communicating information in an effective, clear and supportive manner to patients and their families, relatives and carers, other members of the healthcare team and to non-medical staff. I am comfortable in communicating prognosis, risks and therapeutic options in an empathic and inclusive manner, including breaking bad news.

Clinical Governance and Audit

I participated in multidiscipline and scientific councils about lung cancer for several years.

Management

I enjoy organisational responsibilities, and consider myself to be an organised and capable person who can be effective, motivate others and achieve set targets. I have also learnt to set timescales and manage my own workload effectively in my present post.

My achievements include:

- Scientific Director of Ergobyte S.A.
(2001 - today)
- Scientific Director of Thoracic Surgery Department
Interbalkan Medical Center of Thessaloniki
- Elected President of Thoracic Surgery TeamWork of Hellenic Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgeons Society (HCTSS)
(11/2022 – today)
- Elected Secretary of Business Council of Hellenic Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgeons Society (HCTSS)
(11/2022 – today)
- Elected Councilor of Medical Greek Council
(11/2022 – today)
- Managing Director of Datalife Ltd
(2018 - 2020)
- Medical Reviewer of Mednet S.A.
(2018 - today)

- Elected Regent to the European Society of Thoracic Surgeons (ESTS) (2018 - today)
- Elected Councilor to the Board of Greek Society of Cardiothoracic Surgeons (2016 - today)
- National Residents' Representative of Greek Society of Cardiothoracic Surgeons (2014 - 2016)
- Residents' Representative of Scientific Council "Theagenio" Cancer Hospital of Thessaloniki (2009-2012)
- Researches Committee of Aristotelian University of Thessaloniki for Photograph Assiduity of magazine of university "CAMPUS" (2003 – 2006)
- Chief Resident of Cardiothoracic Department of AHEPA University Hospital of Thessaloniki (2014-today)
- Scientific-social events organizing

Teaching

I have always enjoyed teaching, and have developed my experience in a number of different areas, which include teaching medical students and midwifery/nursing staff informally. I use a range of teaching styles appropriate to the subject and audience. I seek feedback to continually improve my teaching skills.

I regularly teach medical students from Medical School of Aristotle University on clinical examination and viva practice as part of their preparation for their final examinations in cardiothoracic surgery and students of postgraduate programs (PPS "Extracorporeal Circulation Techniques - Technology of Heart Surgical Devices" & PPS "Clinical and Industrial Pharmacology - Clinical Toxicology").

I recently completed my training as a trainer by following the training program entitled "Training of Adult Lifelong Learning Trainers", of the Center for Education and Lifelong Learning (KEDIVIM) of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH).

Information Technology

- Knowledge and use of PC in environment Windows 10 OS, Mac OS, Linux OS, Android OS
- Medical Informatics (research and applications)
- Photoshop (exceptional level)
- PowerPoint (exceptional level)
- Word (exceptional level)
- Excel (good level)
- SPSS v.20 (basic level)

Research Experience

PrescIT, Smart, Personalized and Interoperable Electronic Prescribing Platform (07/2020-10/2023)

Investigator

Panacea, a Semantic-enabled Drug Recommendations Discovery Framework (2013-2015)

Investigator

Single center Clinical Study (2011-2014)

Video-assisted Hyperthermic Pleural Chemoperfusion vs Talc Pleurodesis for Refractory Malignant Pleural Effusions.

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT01409551

Sub-investigator

Multicenter Clinical Study EPO-ANE-4001 (2006-2009)

Observational safety study of administration of erythropoietin in patients with anemia after chemotherapy for solid tumors

Sub-investigator

Multicenter Clinical Study C-TOR (2007-2008)

Tobacco Overview of Risk – C-TOR

Sub-investigator

Publications

Research Articles in International Scientific Journals (Peer Review)

60 publications and 936 Citations, h-index:17, i10-index:24 by Scholar

Abstracts in International Scientific Journals

Publications (22)

Research Articles in International Scientific Journals

Publication (1)

Abstracts in National Scientific Journals

Publications (35)

Presentations

International

Oral Presentations (7)

Posters (17)

National

Oral Presentations (87)

Posters (65)

Invited Contributions

International

Reviewer (5)

Chapter in a book (1)

References in book (3)

National

Books (1)

Lectures (58)

Workshops, Courses and Meetings

Workshops - Courses

Training of Adult Lifelong Learning Trainers

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, School of Medicine

24-04-->18/06/2023, Thessaloniki, Greece

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EMEA Complex segmentectomies

SFITS – University Hospital of Geneva (HUG), Switzerland
3-4/05/2023, Centre Hospitalier Universitaire Vaudois (CHUV) – Lausanne, Switzerland

Robotic Thoracic Surgery

University College London Hospital (UCLH)

14-15/11/2019, London, UK

First ESTS-ERS collaborative course on thoracic oncology, a multidisciplinary update on potentially operable lung cancer

11-13/02/2019, Hamburg, Germany

Rocket Indwelling Pleural Catheter (IPC) Workshop

10-11/07/2018, Leicester, UK

Practical Skills Workshops, ESTS Hands on Course

29-30/05/2017, Innsbruck, Austria

Advance Life Support (ALS) Provider, European Resuscitation Council

10-11/01/2015, Thessaloniki, Greece

Chest Wall Surgery Course, ESTS School

04-06/11/2015, Hamburg, Germany

International Workshop in Vaccine and Drug Ontology Studies

VDOS 2013

8-9/07/2013, Montreal, Canada

20th European Conference on General Thoracic Surgery

10-13/06/2012, Essen, Germany

Hands on thoracoscopic course

EACTS

12-14/03/2010, Thessaloniki, Greece

Meetings

International Annual Congresses (24)

National Congresses (42)

National Forum (3)

Symposiums (15)

Seminars (16)

Scientific Meetings (76)

Total (176)

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Memberships

Hellenic Medical Association of Thessaloniki
Greek Medical Council
General Medical Council, UK
Cardiothoracic Surgery Network (CTSNet)
European Society of Thoracic Surgeons (ESTS)
Greek Association of Cardiothoracic Surgeons
Greek Lung Association
Society of Lung Diseases and Occupational Diseases of the Chest
Minimal invasive Extracorporeal Technologies international Society (MiECTiS) - Founding Member

Interests

I enjoy travelling, reading, music and imaging

Referees

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