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1980: Μεταπτυχιακός υπότροφος στη Βιολογία του ΕΚΕΦΕ Δημόκριτος

1981-1984: Διδακτορικός υπότροφος του Ινστιτούτου Max-Planck, Heidelberg, Prof. Dr. P. Traub

1985: Απόκτηση Διδακτορικού τίτλου από τη Σχολή Θετικών Επιστημών του Πανεπιστημίου Heidelberg.

## Δια βίου μάθηση και διοικητικές δράσεις

1. Σεπτέμβριος, 1983: 'Έλαβα μέρος σε εβδομαδιαίο σεμινάριο της εταιρείας Waters σε θέματα χρήσης και εφαρμογής της χρεματογραφίας υψηλής διακριτικότητας (HPLC)
2. Νοέμβριος, 1988: Εβδομαδιαίο εργαστηριακό σεμινάριο για την τεχνική της παραγωγής μονοκλωνικών αντισωμάτων στο University of London, Royal Postgraduate Medical School, Wolfson Medical Centre, London, England.
3. Νοέμβριος, 1991: Τριών εβδομάδων εργαστηριακό σεμινάριο με θέμα: Nucleic Acid Synthesis and Gene Assembly, Molecular Genetics Laboratory of the International Center For Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, New Dehli, India.
4. 1984-1985: Επισκέπτης ερευνητής στο European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL)
5. 1985-1987: Στρατιωτική θητεία ως έφεδρος αξιωματικός στο ΣΕΜ.
6. 1988-1989: Μεταδιδακτορικός υπότροφος της ΕΟΚ στα πλαίσια του προγράμματος Βιοτεχνολογίας. Εργασία στο Max-Planck for Biophysical Chemistry, Prof. Dr. D. Gallwitz.
7. 1989-1996: Υπεύθυνος του εργαστηρίου Βιοχημείας και Μοριακής Βιολογίας στο EMBL-Hamburg.
8. 1996-1999 Επικ. Καθηγητής Βιοχημείας στο τμήμα Βιολογίας του ΕΚΠΑ
9. 1998 Επισκέπτης Καθηγητής στο Technical University of Harburg - Hamburg. Fellowship of the DGXII of EU Biotechnology program.
10. Επισκέπτης Καθηγητής στο Max-Planck Institute for Cell Biology, Fellowship of the Max-Planck Society (2000)
11. Επιχορήγηση έρευνας από το European Molecular Biology Laboratory (LIP EU Program, 2001)
12. 1999-2002- Μόνιμος Επικ. Καθηγητής Βιοχημείας στο τμήμα Βιολογίας του ΕΚΠΑ
13. 2002-σήμερα. Αναπλ. Καθηγ. στο τμήμα Βιολογίας του ΕΚΠΑ
- Επισκέπτης Καθηγητής στο Technical University of Harburg-Hamburg, με επιχορήγηση από την DAAD, Γερμανική Κυβέρνηση (2003)
14. 2005. Επισκέπτης Καθηγητής στο Πανεπιστήμιο Ulm, στη Γερμανία (Βιολογία και Ιατρική Σχολή) (2005)

15. 2005-07. Αναπλ. Μέλος του Εθνικού Συμβουλίου Έρευνας και Τεχνολογίας ΥΠΑΝ, 2005-2007
16. 2005. Μέλος της κεντρικής οργανωτικής επιτροπής οργάνωσης FEBS 2008 στην Αθήνα (2008)
17. Επισκέπτης Καθηγητής στο Technical University of Harburg-Hamburg, με επιχορήγηση από την DAAD, Γερμανική Κυβέρνηση (2006)
18. Εκλογή Καθηγητής Α' Βαθμίδας στο ΕΚΠΑ, Τμήμα Βιοχημείας (2007)
19. Επισκέπτης Καθηγητής στο University of Regensburg με επιχορήγηση από την DAAD, Γερμανική Κυβέρνηση (2008)
20. 2009-2010 Διευθυντής του Τομέα Βιοχημείας – Μοριακής Βιολογίας του Τμήματος Βιολογίας ΕΚΠΑ
21. 2010-τώρα Αναπληρωτής Επόπτης Σχολής Θετικών Επιστημών ΕΚΠΑ
22. 2011 Στα πλαίσια της 4μηνης εκπαιδευτικής άδειας (2-5/11) επισκέφθηκα και εργάστηκα-ενημερώθηκα στα εξής Ευρωπαϊκά ερευνητικά κέντρα: (α) στο EMBL Hamburg (SAXS πειράματα); (β) Technical University Harburg-Hamburg (Μικροβιακή Βιοτεχνολογία), Academy of Science (Poznan, PL) (Κρυσταλλογραφία); (γ) Netherlands Cancer Institute (Amsterdam) (Συστήματα παραγωγής πρωτεΐνων σε HTP συστήματα); (δ) Medical School Ulm University (Τεχνολογία Διαφορικής Φθωτισμομετρίας) και (ε) Helmholtz Institute for Environmental Sciences (Munich) (Εφαρμογές pyrosequencing for chitinase detection in underground fresh water).

### Μέλος επιστημονικών εταιρειών

- Ενεργό μέλος της European Chitin Society από το 1993
- Ενεργό μέλος της Ελληνικής Εταιρείας Βιολογικών επιστημών από το 1981
- Ενεργό μέλος της Ελληνικής Εταιρείας Βιοχημείας-Μορ. Βιολογίας από το 1985
- Ενεργό μέλος της Ελληνικής Κρυσταλλογραφικής Εταιρείας από το 2001
- Γενικός Γραμματέας των ALUMNI Heidelberg στην Ελλάδα από το 2002.
- Μέλος της Ελληνικής Εταιρείας Βιοεπιστημών, από το 2004.
- Ενεργό μέλος της διεθνούς εταιρείας για Extremophiles, από το 2005
- Πρόεδρος της Ελληνικής εταιρείας Βιοτεχνολογίας (ΕΛΕΒ) Ιούνιος 2006
- Μάρτιος 2011-τώρα Ακαδημαϊκός εκπρόσωπος σε θέματα πρπτυχιακής και μεταπτυχιακής εκπαίδευσης του Πολυτεχνείου του Harburg-Hamburg (TUHH) στην Ελλάδα.

### Προσκλήσεις για ομιλία σε εθνικά και διεθνή συνέδρια

1. 5th Symposium on Chitin Enzymology, Senigallia, AN, Italy, 10-12 May, 1993.
2. Second International Symposium on Chitin Enzymology, Senigallia, AN, Italy, 8-11 May, 1996
3. 7th International Conference on Chitin and Chitosan Sept 3-5, 1997, Lyon France. Invited speaker

4. Lecture at the Max-Planck for Cell Biology, Dept of Prof. P. Traub. May, 1992.
5. Lecture at the Biochemistry Dept of the Medical School of Kiel University, Oct. 1993.
6. Lecture at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Haddash Medical School. Aug. 1994.
7. Lecture at the IMBB, Enzyme Technology. Prof. B. Bouriotis, Sept. 1994.
8. Lecture in Advanced FEBS Course on Methods in Protein Sequence Analysis. Apr. 30-May, 5 Chalkidiki (1995)
9. Lecture at the Bonn University, Dept of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Aug 1996
10. Lecture at the Hellenic Research Foundation, Athens Greece, 3.2.1997
11. Invited speaker at the 7th International Conference on Chitin and Chitosan Sept 3-5, 1997, Lyon France.
12. Invited speaker and Chairmam at the 2nd International Conference on Extremophiles Aug. 1998, Brest France.
13. Chairman at the 3rd International Conference on Extremophiles, Sept. 3-7, 2000 Hamburg.
14. Chairman at the 4th European Comference on Chitin Enzymology, May. 6-10, 2001, Ancona, Italy
15. Biocat 2002, Hamburg Technical University, NIT, Germany
16. Lecture at the Hellenic Kidney Association, March, 2004, Athens
17. Lecture at the National University of Australia, J. Curtis Medical School, 9.11.2004, Canberra, Australia.
18. Lecture at the Ulm University (Biology Department, Institute of Endocrinology) 01.2004
19. Lecture at the Ulm University (Medical School, Department of InternalMedice) 01.2004
20. Nomination Lecture at the Ulm University (invited from the Ulm University Presidence).
21. Lecture at the Advances in Kidney Research, 18.2.2007 Divani-Caravel, Athens (Chairman)
22. Lecture at the Cyprus Univeristy, Biological Science Dept. 2.2.2007, Nicosia, Cyprus.
23. Lecture at the Department of Biophysical Sciences, Regensburg University, 7/2009.
24. Οργάνωση του 1ου καλοκαιρινού σχολείου Μοριακής Ιατρικής με θέμα: Δομή και λειτουργία πρωτεΐνων. Οι πρωτεϊνικές κινάσεις στόχου νέων φαρμάκων. Συνδιοργάνωση Πανεπιστημίου Ουλμ και Τμήματος Βιολογίας Πανεπιστημίου Αθηνών (Σεπτέμβριος 2010, Πανεπιστήμιο Αθηνών, Τμήμα Βιολογίας)
25. Οργάνωση του 1ου καλοκαιρινού σχολείου Βιοχημείας με θέμα: Από το γονίδιο στην πρωτεΐνη και όχι μόνο..... Τμήμα Βιολογίας Πανεπιστημίου Αθηνών. (Ιούλιος 2011, Πανεπιστήμιο Αθηνών, Τμήμα Βιολογίας)
26. Invited speaker at the Internation Conference of Protein Engineering (Oct/Noe 2011, Kusadasi-Turkey

27. Οργάνωση του Διεθνούς Συνεδρίου Extremophiles (Santorini Sept 2013)

### Δημοσιεύσεις σε διεθνή περιοδικά και βιβλία

1. Nelson W. J., Vorgias C. E. and Traub P. (1982) A rapid method for the large scale purification of the intermediate filament protein vimentin by single-stranded DNA cellulose affinity chromatography. *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun.* 106, 1141-1147.
2. Traub P., Nelson W. J., Kühn S. and Vorgias C. E. (1983) The interaction in vitro of the intermediate filament protein vimentin with naturally occurring RNAs and DNAs. *J. Biol. Chem.* 258, 1456-1466.
3. Vorgias C. E. and Traub P. (1983) Isolation of glial fibrillary acidic protein from bovine brain white matter and its purification by affinity chromatography on single-stranded DNA cellulose. *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Comm.* 115, 68-75.
4. Traub P. and Vorgias C. E. (1983) Involvement of the N-terminal polypeptide of vimentin in the formation of intermediate filaments. *J. Cell Sci.* 63, 43-67.
5. Vorgias C. E. and Traub P. (1983) Isolation, purification and characterisation of the intermediate filament protein desmin from porcine smooth muscle. *Prep. Biochem.* 13, 227-243.
6. Traub P. and Vorgias C. E. (1984) Differential effect of arginine modification with 1,2-cyclohexanedione on the capacity of vimentin and desmin to assemble into intermediate filaments and to bind to nucleic acids. *J. Cell Sci.* 65, 1-20.
7. Traub P., Vorgias C. E. and Nelson W. J. (1985) Interaction in vitro of the Neurofilament Triplet Proteins from Spinal Cord with Natural RNAs and DNAs. *Mol. Biol. Rep.* 10, 129-136.
8. Vorgias C. E. and Traub P. (1986) Nucleic acid-binding activities of the intermediate filament subunits desmin and glial fibrillary acidic protein. *Z. Naturforsch.* 416, 897-909.
9. Vorgias C. E. and Traub P. (1986) Efficient degradation in vitro of all intermediate filament subunits proteins by the Ca<sup>2+</sup>-activated neutral thiol proteinase from Ehrlich Ascite Tumor cells and procine kidney. *Bioscience Reports* 6, 57-64.
10. Zimmermann H.-P., Plagens U., Vorgias C. E. and Traub P. (1986) Changes in the organization of non-epithelial intermediate filaments induced by triethyl lead chloride. *Exp. Cell Res.* 167, 360-368.
11. Kuehn S., Vorgias C. E. and Traub P. (1987) Interaction in vitro of non-epithelial intermediate proteins with supercoiled plasmid DNA. *J. Cell Sci.* 87, 543-554.
12. Vorgias C. E., Peridis G. A., Traub P. and Sekeris C. E. (1988) Colchicine, colcemide and cytochalasin-b do not affect translocation of the glucocorticoid hormone-receptor in rat thymocytes or ehrlich ascites cells. *Bioscience Reports* 8, 193-197.
13. Gallwitz D., Haubruck H., Molenaar C., Prange R., Putzicha M., Schmitt H.-D., Vorgias C. E. and Wagner P. (1988) Structural and functional analysis of ypt proteins, a family of ras-related

nucleotide-binding proteins in eucaryotic cells. In: The Guanine - Nucleotide Binding Proteins, Common Structural and Functional Properties, Edited by L. Bosch, B. Kraal and A. Parmeggiani, NATO ASI Series, Life Sciences Vol. 165, 257-264.

14. Haubruck H., Prange R., Vorgias C. E. and Gallwitz, D. (1989) The ras-related mouse ypt1 protein can functionally replace the YPT1 gene product in yeast EMBO J. 8, 1427-1432.
15. Wilson K. S., Vorgias C. E., Tanaka I., White W. S. and Kimura M. (1990) The thermostability of DNA binding protein HU from thermophilic and mesophilic bacilli. Protein Engineering 4,11-22.
16. Vorgias C. E., Kingswell A. J., Dauter Z., Wilson K. S. (1991) Cloning, overexpression, purification and crystallisation of ribosomal protein L9 from *Bacillus stearothermophilus*. FEBS Lett. 286, 204-208.
17. Vorgias C. E., Lemaire H-G. and Wilson K. S. (1991) Overexpression and Purification of the Galactose Operon Enzymes from *E. coli*. Protein Expr. Purif. 2, 330-338.
18. Vorgias C. E. and Wilson K. S. (1991) A rapid method for the purification of recombinant integration host factor. Protein Expr. Purif. 2, 317-320.
19. Padas M. P., Wilson K. S. and Vorgias C. E. (1992) DNA binding protein from mesophilic and thermophilic bacilli: cloning, overexpression and purification. Gene 117, 39-44.
20. Vorgias C. E., Kingswell A. J., Dauter Z. and Oppenheim A. B. (1992) Crystallisation of recombinant chitinase from the cloned chiA gene of *Serratia marcescens*. J. Mol. Biol. 226, 897-898.
21. Tews I., Dauter Z., Oppenheim A. B. and Vorgias C. E. (1992) Crystallisation of recombinant chitobiase from *Serratia marcescens*. J. Mol. Biol. 228, 696-697.
22. Sayers Z., Brouillon P., Vorgias C. E., Nolting H. F., Hermes C. and Koch M. H. J. (1993) Cloning and expression of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* copper-metallothionein gene in *Escherichia coli* and characterisation of the recombinant protein. Eur. J. Biochem. 212, 521-528.
23. Vorgias C. E., Tews I., Perrakis A., Wilson K. S. and Oppenheim, A. B. (1993) Purification and characterisation of the recombinant chitin degrading enzymes chitinase and chitobiase from *Serratia marcescens*. In Chitin Enzymology (Muzzarelli, R. A. A. ed.) pp 417-422.
24. Perrakis A., Wilson K. S., Chet. I., Oppenheim, A. B. and Vorgias C. E. (1993) Phylogenetic relationships of chitinases. In Chitin Enzymology (Muzzarelli, R. A. A. ed.) pp 217-232.
25. Rypniewski W. R., Perrakis A., Vorgias C. E. and Wilson K. S. (1994) Evolutionary divergence and conservation of trypsins. Protein Eng. 7, 57-64.
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29. Perrakis A., Tews I., Dauter Z., Oppenheim, A. B., Chet I., Wilson K. S. and Vorgias C. E. (1994) Crystal structure of a bacterial chitinase at 2.3 Ang. resolution. Structure 2, 1169-1180.
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33. Boelens R., Vis H., Vorgias C. E., Wilson K. S. and Kaptein R. (1996) Structure and dynamics of the DNA binding protein HU from *Bacillus stearothermophilus* by NMR Spectroscopy. Biopolymers 40, 553-559.
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- Concanavalin A with 4'-nitrophenyl-a-D-mannopyranoside and 4'-nitrophenyl-a-D-glucopyranoside. *J. Struct. Biol.* 116, 345-355.
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