

Curriculum Vitae  
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**EDUCATION**

- 1995** Bachelor of Science in Chemistry, Chemistry Dept., University of Crete, Greece.
- 1994** Courses on “Basic concepts of Organometallic Chemistry”, Dr David Grove University of Utrecht, NL. (*Erasmus program*)
- 1994** Courses on “Non Aqueous Coordination Chemistry”, Professor Peter Edwards, University of Wales, College of Cardiff, UK. (*Erasmus program*)
- 1994** Courses on “Inorganic Photochemistry and Photocatalysis”, Professor Andrea Maldotti, University of Ferrara, Italy. (*Erasmus program*)
- 1994** Courses on “Metals in life”, Dr Theofanidis, Athens University, Greece. (*Erasmus program*)
- 1995** Courses on “Laser Application in Medicine”, V.E.M.M.O., School of Medicine, University of Crete, Greece (*E.K.T.*)
- 2002** Ph.D. in Clinical Chemistry, School of Medicine, University of Crete.

**PhD thesis**

Dermitzaki E. Neuropeptides and apoptosis [dissertation]. Medical School, University of Crete, 2002.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

<b>2005- Present</b>	Course on “Laboratory Medicine” (Undergraduate MD program, Medical School, University of Crete)
<b>2003- 2007</b>	Course on “Chemistry” (Undergraduate program, Crop Science Dept, Technological Educational Inst, Crete, Greece).
<b>2003- 2007</b>	Course on “Chemistry” (Undergraduate program, Floriculture & Greenhouse Crops Dept, Technological Educational Inst, Crete, Greece).
<b>2005- 2006</b>	Lectures on “Laboratory Medicine” (Undergraduate program, School of Medicine, University of Crete, Crete, Greece).
<b>1996- Present</b>	Training of undergraduate, MSc and PhD students and post-doctoral fellows, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Hellenic Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology  
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## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

<b>4/2008- Present</b>	Tenure Scientist, Clinical Chemistry Lab., Laboratory Medicine Dept, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece.
<b>5/2009-7/2009</b>	Visiting Researcher, team Nutriomic U872 INSERM, Centre des Cordeliers, Paris, France.
<b>2005- 3/2008</b>	Research Scientist, Clinical Chemistry Lab., Laboratory Medicine Dept, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece.
<b>2002- 2005</b>	Postdoctoral Fellow, Clinical Chemistry Lab., Laboratory Medicine Dept, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece.
<b>2/2005-4/2005</b>	Visiting Researcher, Molecular Neuroendocrinology Dept., Max Planck Institute for Experimental Medicine, Goettingen, Germany.

## **AWARDS**

<b>10/2000-10/2001</b>	Post graduate scholarship leading to PhD, sponsored by ELKE (Special Account for Research Funds), University of Crete, Greece.
<b>2/2000-7/2001</b>	Scholarship titled “Synthetic Construction of Biodrastic analogues for Gonadotrophin Surge Attenuating Factor – GnSAF”. Sponsored by EPPET II, University of Thessaly, Greece.
<b>2/2002</b>	2nd award of the Greek Endocrine Society for the best speech given in the 29th Panhellenic Congress of Endocrinology and Metabolism for the project titled: “Corticotropin-Releasing Hormone induces Fas ligand production and apoptosis in PC12 cells via activation of p38 mitogen-activated protein kinase”.
<b>11/2002</b>	1st award of the Hellenic Society of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology for the best speech given in the 54th meeting of Hellenic Society of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology for the project titled: “Corticotropin-releasing hormone induces apop-

	tosis in PC12 cells through Fas Ligand and p38 MAPK kinase”.
<b>10/2004</b>	1st award of the German Society of Endocrinology (DGE) for the best abstract titled: “The Corticotropin-Releasing Factor (CRF) family of neuropeptides via the CRHR2 receptors induces the expression of Toll Like Receptor-4 (TLR4) expression in macrophages through activation of the transcription factor PU.1”, presented in the 8th Annual Meeting of the Neuroendocrinology Section, Berlin, Germany.
<b>11/2006</b>	1st award of the Meeting of Greek Clinical Chemistry for the best abstract titled: “Adiponectin and inflammation: Study on the action mechanism of Adiponectin in activating and altering sensitivity of macrophages”.
<b>Report of Grants:</b>	
1. : EKVAN 98-66, GGET	
Title: Development of new methods for neoplasms diagnosis	
PI: Stournaras Christos	
Role: Investigator	
2. : EPPET II, GGET	
Title: “Synthetic Construction of Biodrastic analogues for Gonadotrophin Surge Attenuating Factor –GnSAF”	
PI: Messinis John	
Role: Investigator	
3. : EPEAEK II, EU	
Title: “The role of Corticotropin Releasing Hormone (CRH) in vascularization and cellular movement”	
PI: Margioris Andrew	
Role: Investigator	
4. : privately funded	
Title: “Immunomodulation by tumour-derived neuropeptides”	
PI: Tsatsanis Christos	
Role: Investigator	
5. : privately funded	
Title: “The role of CRH in adrenals”	
PI: Margioris Andrew	
Role: Investigator	
6. : Institutional funded, (duration: 2 years, started: 01/09/10)	
Title: “Molecular mechanisms underlying the effect of CRH on inflammation induced analgesia”	
PI: Venihaki Maria	
Role: Senior investigator	
7. : Institutional funded, (duration: 2 years, started: 01/09/10)	
Title: “Role of adipose derived stem cells in wound healing of lean and obese mice”	
PI: Venihaki Maria	
Role: Senior Investigator	

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1. Arranz A, Venihaki M, Mol B, Androulidaki A, **Dermitzaki E**, Rassouli O, Ripoll J, Stathopoulos N, Gomariz RP, Margioris AN\* and Tsatsanis C\*. The impact of stress on tumor growth: peripheral CRF mediates tumor-promoting effects of stress. *Mol Cancer*, 2010;9:261 (*IF=3.693*)  
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2. Malliaraki N, **Dermitzaki E**, Margioris AN. Biochemical markers of metabolic inflammation (*under preparation*)(*Invited Review*) (*IF=1.741*)
3. **Dermitzaki E**, Tsatsanis C Gravanis A, Margioris AN. The Calcineurin-Nuclear Factor of Activated T cells signalling pathway mediates the effect of Corticotropin Releasing Factor and related neuropeptides on catecholamine synthesis (*submitted in Journal of Cellular Physiology*) (*IF=5.22*)
4. Androulidaki A, **Dermitzaki E**, Venihaki M, Karagianni E, Rassouli O, Andreakou E, Stournaras C, Margioris AN, Tsatsanis C. Corticotropin Releasing Factor promotes breast cancer cell motility and invasiveness. *Mol Cancer*, 2009;8:30-35 (*IF=3.693*; *citations:1*)
5. Tsatsanis C, **Dermitzaki E**, Venihaki M, Chatzaki E, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2007) The corticotropin-releasing factor (CRF) family of peptides as local modulators of adrenal function. *Cellular Mol Life Sci*, 64(13):1638-55 (*IF=5.24*; *citations:3*)
6. **Dermitzaki E**, Tsatsanis C, Minas V, Chatzaki E, Charalampopoulos I, Venihaki M, Androulidaki A, Lambropoulou M, Spiess J, Michalodimitrakis E, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2007) Corticotropin-releasing factor (CRF) and the Urocortins differentially regulate catecholamine secretion in human and rat adrenals, in a CRF receptor type-specific manner. *Endocrinology*, 148(4):1524-38 (*IF=5.236*; *citations:5*)
7. Charalampopoulos I, Alexaki VI, Tsatsanis C, Minas V, **Dermitzaki E**, Lazaridis I, Vardouli L, Stournaras C, Margioris AN, Castanas E, Gravanis A. (2006) Neurosteroids as Endogenous Inhibitors of Neuronal Cell Apoptosis in Aging. *Ann NY Acad Sci*, 1088:139-52 (*IF=1.8*; *citations:26*)
8. Tsatsanis C, Zacharioudaki V, Androulidaki A, **Dermitzaki E**, Charalampopoulos I, Minas V, Gravanis A and Margioris AN (2006) Peripheral Factors in the Metabolic Syndrome. The Pivotal Role of Adiponectin. *Ann NY Acad Sci*, 1083:185-95 (*IF=1.8*; *citations:5*)
9. Tsatsanis C, Androulidaki A, **Dermitzaki E**, Gravanis A and Margioris AN (2007) Corticotropin Releasing Factor receptor 1 (CRF1) and CRF(2) Agonists exert an anti-inflammatory effect during the early phase of inflammation suppressing LPS-induced TNF-alpha release from macrophages via induction of COX-2 and PGE(2). *J Cell Physiol*, 210(3):774-83. (*IF=5.22*, *citations:17*)

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  11. Alexaki VI, **Dermitzaki E**, Charalampopoulos I, Kampa M, Nifli AP, Gravanis A, Margioris AN, Castanas E (2006) Neuronal differentiation of PC12 cells abolishes the expression of membrane androgen receptors. *Exp Cell Res*, 312(15):2745-56. (*IF: 4.0; citations:5*)
  12. Tsatsanis C\*, Androulidaki A\*, Alissafi T, Charalampopoulos I, **Dermitzaki E**, Roger T, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2006) Corticotropin- Releasing Factor and the Urocortins Induce the Expression of TLR4 in Macrophages via Activation of the Transcription Factors PU.1 and AP-1. *J Immunol*, 176(3): 1869-77. (*IF:6.486; citations:28*)
  13. Charalampopoulos I, Alexaki VI, Lazaridis I, **Dermitzaki E**, Avlonitis N, Tsatsanis C, Calogeropoulou T, Margioris AN, Castanas E and Gravanis A (2006) G protein-associated, specific membrane binding sites mediate the neuroprotective effect of Dehydroepiandrosterone. *FASEB J*, 20(3):577-9. (*IF=6.82; citations:28*)
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  15. Tsatsanis C\*, Androulidaki A\*, **Dermitzaki E**, Charalampopoulos I, Spiess J, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2005) Urocortin 1 and Urocortin 2 induce macrophage apoptosis via CRFR2 receptor. *FEBS Lett*, 579(20):4259-64. (*IF:3.843; citations:32*)
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16. Charalampopoulos I, **Dermitzaki E**, Vardouli L, Tsatsanis C, Stournaras C, Margioris AN, Gravanis A (2005) Dehydroepiandrosterone sulfate and allopregnanolone directly stimulate catecholamine production via induction of tyrosine hydroxylase and secretion by affecting actin polymerization. *Endocrinology*, 146(8):3309-18. (*IF= 5.236; citations:29*)
  17. **Dermitzaki E**, Tsatsanis C, Charalampopoulos I, Androulidaki A, Alexaki I, Castanas E, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2005) Corticotropin-Releasing Hormone Activates Protein Kinase C in an isoenzyme-specific manner. *BBRC*, 327(3): 828-836. (*IF=2.9; citations:7*)
  18. Charalampopoulos I, Tsatsanis C, **Dermitzaki E**, Alexaki VI, Castanas E, Margioris AN, Gravanis A (2004) Dehydroepiandrosterone and allopregnanolone protect sympathoadrenal medulla cells against apoptosis, via antiapoptotic Bcl-2 proteins. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA*, 101(21): 8209-14. (**IF=10.5; citation:53**)

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20. **Dermitzaki E**, Gravanis A, Venihaki M, Stournaras C, Margioris AN (2001) Opioids suppress basal and nicotine-induced catecholamine secretion via a stabilizing effect on actin filaments. *Endocrinology*, 142(5): 2022-31. (**IF=5.236**; *citations:17*)
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23. Kampa M, Margioris AN, Hatzoglou A, **Dermitzaki E**, Denizot A, Henry J-F, Oliver C, Gravanis A, Castanas E (1999) kappa1-opioid binding sites are the dominant opioid binding sites in surgical specimens of human pheochromocytomas and in a human pheochromocytoma (KAT45) cell line. *Eur J Pharmacol*, 364(2-3): 255-262. (**IF=2.4**; *citations:9*)
24. Venihaki M, Ain K, **Dermitzaki E**, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (1998) KAT45, a noradrenergic human pheochromocytoma cell line producing corticotropin-releasing hormone. *Endocrinology*, 139(2): 713-22. (**IF:5.151**; *citations:19*)

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2. Zoumakis M, Margioris AN, Makrigiannakis A, **Dermitzaki I**, Fraidakis M, Gravanis A (1997) Paracrine effects of endometrial corticotropin-releasing hormone (CRH) on human endometrial stromal cell differentiation. *8<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the European Neuroendocrine Association (ENEA)*, France.
3. Zoumakis E, Margioris AN, **Dermitzaki I**, Gravanis A (1998) Corticotropin-releasing hormone (CRH) regulates the release of prostaglandin E2 (PGE2) and interleukin-6 (IL-6) from human endometrial stromal cells, in culture. *4<sup>th</sup> European Congress of Endocrinology*.
4. Stournaras C, **Dermitzaki I**, Koukouritaki E, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (1998) The inhibitory effect of opioids on catecholamines' secretion from tumoral adrenal chromaffin cells involves the induction of actin polymerization. *4<sup>th</sup> European Congress of Endocrinology*.
5. **Dermitzaki E**, Gravanis A, Chatzaki E, Margioris AN (1998) Opioids exert a paracrine anti-apoptotic effect on the PC12 rat pheochromocytoma cell line. *80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Endocrine Society*, USA.
6. Stournaras C, **Dermitzaki I**, Koukouritaki E, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (1998) The induction of actin polymerization by opioids may be part of the mechanism by which they inhibit catecholamine secretion. *80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Endocrine Society*, USA.
7. Zoumakis E, **Dermitzaki I**, Margioris AN, Makrigiannakis A, Gravanis A (1998) Cross-talk between endometrial corticotropin-releasing hormone (CRH) and prostaglandin E2 (PGE2) to control endometrial stroma differentiation. *80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Endocrine Society*, USA.
8. **Dermitzaki E**, Gravanis A, Chatzaki E, Margioris AN (1999) Opioids exert a rapid protective effect on serum deprivation-induced apoptosis. *81<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Endocrine Society*, USA.
9. **Dermitzaki E**, Chatzaki A, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (1999) Opioids exert a rescuing effect on PC12 cells apoptosis This effect is characterized by rapid onset and short duration and involves Bcl-2 related proteins. *9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the European Neuroendocrine Association (ENEA)*, Denmark.
10. Tsatsanis C, Agelaki S, **Dermitzaki E**, Gravanis A and Margioris AN (2000) Blockade of Corticotropin-Releasing Hormone (CRH)-R1 receptors improves survival of LPS-induced peritonitis, in mice. *50<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Hellenic Society of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology*, Greece.
11. **Dermitzaki E**, Tsatsanis C, Androulidaki A, Gravanis A and Margioris AN (2001) The CRH effect on apoptosis and Fas ligand production is mediated by PKC. *Annual Meeting of the Hellenic Endocrine Society*, Greece.
12. **Dermitzaki E**, Tsatsanis C, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2002) Corticotropin-Releasing Hormone induces Fas ligand production and apoptosis in PC12 cells

- via activation of p38 mitogen-activated protein kinase. ***29<sup>o</sup> Panhellenic Congress of Endocrinology and Metabolism***, Greece.
13. **Dermitzaki E**, Tsatsanis C, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2002) Corticotropin-Releasing Hormone (CRH) induces Fas ligand production and apoptosis via activation of p38 MAPK. ***12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the European Neuroendocrine Association (ENEA)***, Germany.
  14. Tsatsanis C, Aggelaki S, Androulidaki A, **Dermitzaki E**, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2002) CRH and Urocortin exert a direct effect on macrophages. ***12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the European Neuroendocrine Association (ENEA)***, Germany.
  15. Tsatsanis C, **Dermitzaki E**, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2002) Corticotropin-Releasing Hormone (CRH) induces Fas ligand production and apoptosis via activation of p38 MAPK. ***84<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Endocrine Society***, USA.
  16. Tsatsanis C, Androulidaki A, **Dermitzaki E**, Charalampopoulos I, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2002) ‘Urocortin induce macrophage apoptosis: A new family of neuro-immunomodulators’ ***54<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Hellenic Society of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology***, Greece.
  17. **Dermitzaki E**, Tsatsanis C, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2003) The CRH effect on apoptosis and Fas ligand production is mediated by PKC. ***12<sup>th</sup> Balkan Congress of Endocrinology & the 30<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Congress of Endocrinology and Metabolism***, Greece.
  18. **Dermitzaki E**, Tsatsanis C, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2003) The CRH effect on apoptosis and Fas ligand production is mediated by PKC. ***Apoptosis***, Luxemburg.
  19. **Dermitzaki E**, Tsatsanis C, Androulidaki A, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2003) The CRH effect on apoptosis and Fas ligand production is mediated by PKC. ***85<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Endocrine Society***, USA.
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  21. Charalampopoulos I, Tsatsanis C, **Dermitzaki E**, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2003) Neurosteroids protect adrenal medulla cells against serum-deprivation-induced apoptosis, via the anti-apoptotic BCL-2 proteins. ***85<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Endocrine Society***, USA.
  22. Tsatsanis C, Lionaki E, **Dermitzaki E**, Androulidaki A, Gravanis A and Margioris AN (2003) The pro-apoptotic effect of Corticotrophin-releasing hormone (CRH) and the anti-apoptotic effect of the pro-survival factor Heregulin

in serum deprivation-induced apoptosis involve activation of the p38MAPK. **55<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Hellenic Society of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology**, Greece.

23. Androulidaki A, Tsatsanis C, **Dermitzaki E**, Agelaki S, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2003) CRH augments macrophage activation while Urocortin promotes their apoptosis. **12<sup>th</sup> Balkan Congress of Endocrinology & the 30<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Congress of Endocrinology and Metabolism**, Greece.
24. Tsatsanis C, Androulidaki A, **Dermitzaki E**, Gravanis A, Margioris AN (2003) Urocortins possess immunomodulatory properties by acting directly on macrophages and T-cells. **55<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Hellenic Society of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology**, Greece.
25. Charalampopoulos I, Tsatsanis C, **Dermitzaki E**, Alexaki I, Castanas E, Margioris AN, Gravanis A (2004) Neurosteroids protect sympathoadrenal cells against apoptosis, regulating multiple prosurvival factors. **12<sup>th</sup> Euroconference on Apoptosis**, Luxemburg.
26. Charalampopoulos I, **Dermitzaki E**, Vardouli C, Tsatsanis C, Stournaras C, Margioris AN, Gravanis A (2004) Neurosteroids stimulate catecholamine secretion and synthesis in adrenomedullary cells. **56<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Hellenic Society of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology**, Greece.
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