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### Professional History

- 2019: Professor of Biochemistry, School of Medicine, University of Crete, Heraklion, Greece
- 2009: Associate Professor of Biochemistry, School of Medicine, University of Crete, Heraklion, Greece
- 1999: Assistant Professor of Biochemistry, School of Medicine, University of Crete, Heraklion, Greece
- 1993: Lecturer of Biochemistry, School of Medicine, University of Crete, Heraklion, Greece
- 1990-1993: Visiting Assistant Professor of Biochemistry, School of Medicine, University of Crete, Heraklion, Greece
- 1986-1989: Research Associate, Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, (I.M.B.B.), Heraklion, Crete, Greece
- 1984-1986: Tutor in Biochemistry, Conservatoire National des Arts et Metiers - CNAM, Lille, France

### Research Interests

1. Nuclear plasticity. Structure and function of the nuclear envelope. Dynamics of nuclear envelope in mitosis.  
Nucleo-cytoplasmic transport and sub-cellular distribution of cytoplasmic and plasma membrane proteins.
2. Microtubule - tubulin dynamics, effect of antimitotic drugs.
3. Characterization of circulating tumor cells and exosomes in the blood of cancer patients. Establishment of new markers for the identification of circulating tumor stem cells.



## **Representative Publications**

1. Polioudaki H., A. Chantziou, K. Kalyvianaki, P. Malamos, G. Notas, D. Mavroudis, M. Kampa, E. Castanas and P.A. Theodoropoulos (2019). Nuclear localization of PD-L1: artifact or reality? *Cellular Oncol.*, 42(2): 237-242
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9. Theodoropoulos, P.A., H. Polioudaki, O. Kostaki, S.P. Derdas, V. Georgoulias, C. Dargemont and S.D. Georgatos (1999). Taxol affects nuclear lamina and pore complex organization and inhibits import of karyophilic proteins into the cell nucleus. *Cancer Res.*, 59: 4625-4633.
10. Georgatos, S.D. A. Pyrpasopoulou and P.A. Theodoropoulos (1997). Nuclear envelope breakdown in mammalian cells involves stepwise lamina disassembly and microtubule-driven deformation of the nuclear membrane. *J. Cell Sci.*, 110: 2129-2140. ..