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## **Scientific Education**

B.Sc. in Chemistry National University of Athens, Athens, Greece
 M.Sc. in Biochemistry University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada
 Ph.D. in Molecular Cell Biology European Molecular Biology Laboratory

(EMBL), University of Heidelberg, Heidelberg, Germany 1995

## Career Focus

My main interest lies in the research of pathogenesis of infectious diseases and in particular in the study of pathogen-host cell interactions using molecular cellular biology and modern light microscopy imaging techniques. I am keen in exploring the translational aspect of this field of research.

# Scientific knowledge and technical shills

Cell Biology, biochemistry, molecular biology, membrane biology, cancer biology, virology, parasitology, bacteriology. Specialist knowledge acquired in nucleoside transport systems, microtubule dynamics and mitosis, pathogen host interaction field (*Chlamydia*, HCV, *Leishmania*), in light microscopy and imaging techniques, flow cytometry and cell sorting, recombinant protein expression, generation of antibodies, *in vitro* cell assays, drug cytotoxicity assays.

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May 2010-Current Researcher B (tenure)

Department of Microbiology & Light Microscopy unit,

Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece

Jan 2002- May 2010 Researcher C (tenured track)

Department of Microbiology & Light Microscopy unit,

Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greece

Jan 2000 -Dec 2001 Associate Scientist

Hellenic Pasteur Institute, Athens, Greec.

Oct 1996 - Dec 1999 EMBO and ARC Post-Doctoral Fellow

The Pasteur Institute, Paris, France

Jun 1996 - Sept 1996 Visiting Post-Doctoral Fellow

Dep. of Biochemistry, U. of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada

Jul 1995 - Feb 1996 Post-doctoral Fellow

EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany

Jan 1991 – Jul 1995 Pre-doctoral Fellow

EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany

Jan 1987 - Dec 1990 Graduate Teaching and Research Assistant

Dep. of Biochemistry, U. of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.

Sept 1986 - Dec 1986 Graduate Teaching Assistant

Dep. of Chemistry, U. of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada

## Research Publications

**Publications**Peer-reviewed

- 1. Kalliampakou K. Kouri E., <u>Boleti H.</u>, Pavli O., Maurousset L., Udvardi M., Katinakis P., Rémi Lemoine, and Flemetakis E. (2010). Cloning and functional characterization of *Lj*PLT4, a plasma membrane xylitol H<sup>+</sup>- symporter from *Lotus japonicus*. *Mol. Memb. Biol. In press*
- **2.** <u>Boleti H.</u>, Smirlis D., Dalagiorgou G., Meurs E., Christoforidis S., & Mavromara.P. (2010). ER targeting and retention of the HCV NS4B protein relies on the concerted action of multiple structural features including its transmembrane domains. *Mol. Memb. Biol.* 27(1):50-74
- **3.** Smirlis D, <u>Boleti H</u>, Gaitanou M, Soto M, Soteriadou K. (**2009**). Leishmania donovani RAN-GTPase interacts at the nuclear rim with linker histone H1. Biochem J. 10;424(3):367-74.
- **4.** Karanasios E, <u>Boleti H</u>, Simos G. (2008). Incorporation of the Arc1p tRNA-binding domain to the catalytic core of MetRS can functionally replace the yeast Arc1p-MetRS complex. J Mol Biol. Sep 5;381(3):763-71.
- 5. Vassilaki N, <u>Boleti H</u>, Mavromara P.(2008). Expression studies of the HCV-1a core+1 open reading frame in mammalian cells. *Virus Res.* 133(2):123-35.
- **6.** Vassilakt N, <u>Boleti H</u>. and Mavromara P. ( **2007**). Expression studies of the core+1 protein of the hepatitis C virus 1a in mammalian cells: the influence of the core protein and proteasomes on the intracellular levels of core+1. *FEBS J*. 274(16):4057-74
- 7. Ibrahim-Granet, O., Philippe,B., **Boleti, H.**, Boisvieux-Ulrich, E., Prévost, MC., Grenet, D., Stern, M., and JP Latgé. (2003). Phagocytosis and intracellular fate of *Aspergillus fumigatus* conidia in alveolar macrophages. *Infection and Immunity*, 71(2):891-903
- 8. <u>Boleti. H.</u>, Karsenti, E. Vernos, I. (2001). The use of dominant negative mutants to study the function of mitotic motors in the in vitro spindle assembly assay in Xenopus egg extracts. *Methods in Molecular Biology*, 164, 173-89
- **9. Boleti, H.,** Ojcius, D. and Dautry-Varsat, A. (**2000**). Fluorescent labelling of intra-cellular bacteria in living host cells. *J. Microbiological Methods*, 1;40 (3): 265-274
- **10.** Poupel, O., <u>Boleti H.</u>, Axisa, S., and Tardieux, I. (**2000**). Toxfilin, a novel actin binding protein from *Toxoplasma gondii*, sequesters actin monomers and caps actin filaments. *J. Mol. Biol. of the Cell*, 11(1): 355-68
- **11. Boleti, H.,** Benmerah, A., Ojcius, D., Cerf-Bensussan, N., Dautry-Varsat, A. (**1999**). Chlamydia infection of epithelial cells expressing dynamin and Eps15 mutants:clathrin-independent entry into cells and dynamin-dependent productive growth. *J. of Cell Science*, 112:1487-1496
- **12.** Wittmann, T., <u>Boleti, H.,</u> Antony, C., Karsenti, E, and Vernos, I. (**1998**). A leucine zipper targets Xklp2 to a dynein/dynactin containing complex that accumulates at microtubule minus ends during mitosis. *J. Cell Biol.* 143 (3), 673-685
- **13.** <u>Boleti, H.</u>, Karsenti, E., Vernos, I. (1996). Xklp2, a new Xenopus centrosomal Kinesin Like Protein Required for centrosome separation during mitosis. *Cell*, 84: 49-59
- 14. Karsenti, E., Boleti, H, Vernos, I. (1996). The role of microtubule dependent motors in centrosome movements and spindle pole organization during mitosis. *Seminars in Cell & Devel. Biol.*, 7, 367-378

- **Boleti, H.,** Coe, I., Baldwin, S.A., Young. J.D., Cass, C.E. (1997). Molecular Identificatin of the equilibrative NBMPR-sensitive (es) nucleoside transporter and demonstration of an equilibrative NBMPR-insensitive (ei) transport activity in human erythroleukemia (K562) cells. *Neuropharmacology J.*, 36 (9), 1167-117
- **16.** <u>Boleti, H.</u> & Cass. C.E. (1992). Nitrobenzylthioinosine-insensitive nucleoside transport processes of K562 cells. Proc. Amer. Assoc. Cancer Res., 33:18
- **17.** <u>Boleti, H.</u>, Cass, CE. (1991). Nucleoside transport in K562 human erythroleukemia cells. Int. J. Purine and Pyrimidine Res., 2:35

### Reviews-Electronic publications:

- **Boleti H. & Robotis, J.F** (2004). Viral Hepatitis . xPharm 1.0, edited by S.J. Enna dn David, B. Bylund, Published by, Inc. Elsevier. http://www.xpharm.com/xpharm/citation?Article\_ID=1477
- **Boleti H.** (2004). Chlamydia Infections. *xPharm 1.0*, edited by S.J. Enna dn David, B. Bylund, Published by, Inc. Elsevier. <a href="http://www.xpharm.com/xpharm/citation?Article\_ID=1477">http://www.xpharm.com/xpharm/citation?Article\_ID=1477</a>
- **Boleti, H.**, Thomaidou, D. (2004). Modern imaging techniques of multiple parameter light microscopy *BIO*, 10: 58-59 (Greek journal for Biotechnology, the environment and the man).

#### **Grants**

Throughout the years I was able to apply and successfully be granted the following fellowships and grants enabling me to support my scientific work:

### **International programs**

Programs in which I participated either as the coordinator or as a member of a team

- **2000-2002** International network of Pasteur Institutes mobility grant Personal grant
- 2003-2005 ACIP (Actions Concertées des Institus Pasteur)
  - o Coordinators: Dr H.Boleti-Dr P. Mavromara
  - o **Participating Instituts:** Hellenic Pasteur Institue, Institut Pasteur Paris, IP Vietnam, Cambodge, St. Petersbourg,
- 2003-2005 -INSERM-FRANCE
  - o Personal colaboration with Hepacivirus lab, Institut Pasteur Paris
- 2003-2006: PTR (Program Transversaux-Institut Pasteur

Participation as a member of the coordinating team

**Coordinator:** P. Mavromara-Molecular Virology lab-Hellenic Pasteur Institute *Colaborating Instituts*: Hellenic Pasteur Institut, Insitut Pasteur of Paris and Pasteur Instituts of Cambodge, Vietnam, St. Petersburg, Cameroun, Roumania

### **Greek government funded programs**

Programs in which I participated as the coordinator or as a collaborating scientists for the design and the realization of the projects

- 2002-2004 Hellenic Pasteur Institute Research grant Scientific Responsible
- 2004-2006 Grant from the Greek General Secretariat of Research and Technology in the context of the European program "Human Networks for training in Research and Technology" Establishment of the Greek Light Microscopy Network
   Coordinator of the project and of the Network
- 2006-2007 Grant from General Secretariat of Research and Technology in the context of the Program "OPEN DOORS"
   Member of the Scientife team

#### **Teaching Experience**

Over the course of my training and work, I have acquired significant teaching experience. It consists of:

- formal lectures and seminars directed towards postgraduate students pursuing a career in Biochemistry and Medicine and laboratory technicians
- practical teaching in the laboratory to both Biochemistry, Medicine and Dietetics undergraduate students and postgraduate students on subjects related to Biochemistry, Molecular and Cell Biology as well as Light Microscopy techniques
- teaching of Secondary Education teachers on advances in biosciences.

### Management Experience

### Organization of Conferences/Courses/Workshops

- Organiser of a Practical Workshop on Light Microscopy. A workshop addressed to scientists
  working at the Pasteur Institute in Paris. With the colaboration of ZEISS, Leica and Photonic
  Science (Paris, April 1998).
- Organiser of Practical Workshops on "Applications of Light Microscopy on Biomedical Research and Diagnosis" addressed to Biologists and Medical Doctors in Greece. Hellenic Pasteur Institute (Athens, May 2004 and April 2005)
- <u>Coordinator</u> of a series of workshops on Light Microscopy in the context of a program financed by
  the Greek General Secretariat of Research and Technology in the context of the European program
  "Human Networks for training in Research and Technology". As a result, The Greek Light
  Microscopy Network was established having as members the universities of Ioannina, Crete and
  Athens, the Hellenic Pasteur Institute, the Institute for Biomedical Research in Ioannina and three
  private companies (2004-2006)
- Organiser of three day workshops for secondary education teachers with the aim of offering
  training and information about the recent advances in the biomedical sciences in the context of the
  program "Open Doors" financed by the Greek Ministry of Development, Division for Research
  and Technology. The project was developed in collaboration with EMBL (2005-2007)
- <u>Co-organizer</u> of the **SET ROUTES** event "Opening Gateways to Science with Invited international speakers from research and science politics who talked about their career paths and their experiences on working in different scientific areas. The event was aimed at university undergraduate and post-graduate students and scientists from all levels. http://www.set-routes.org/university/calendar/athens\_nov08/index.html

### Awards/Honors

•	Excellence Award from the Greek Ministry for Education	
	for the academic year	1982-1983
•	The Greek Canadian Association Scholarship	1988
•	Graduate Teaching Assistantship and Research Assistantship,	
	Department of Biochemistry, University of Alberta.	1987-1991
•	EMBL pre-doctoral Fellowship	1991-1995
•	EMBL post-doctoral Fellowship	1995-1996
•	EMBO post-doctoral Fellowship	1996-1998
•	TMR post-doctoral Fellowship	1997-1999
•	Post-doctoral Fellowship	
	Fondation pour la Recherche Médicale (FRM)	1998-1999
•	Post-doctoral Fellowship	
	Association pour la Recherche contre le Cancer (ARC)	1998-1999
•	Research grant, The Pasteur Institute, Paris, France	2000-2002
•	EMBO short-term Fellowship	2000
•	Fellowship from the French Embassy in Greece (EGIDE)	2005

### **Memberships**

- Representative of the HPI in the ELMnet (European Light Microscopy Network)
- Member of the Hellenic Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.
- Member of the Comité d'Animation Scientifique Internationale-Advisory Scientific Committee-(COMASI) of the International Network of the Pasteur Institutes and Associated Institutes 2002-2005). The committee evaluated applications for the organisation of international courses within the Pasteur Institute network as well as research proposals submitted for funding at the Direction des Affaires Internationales of the Institut Pasteur, Paris.
- **SET-ROUTES** School & University ambassador <a href="http://www.set-routes.org/university/profiles/index.html">http://www.set-routes.org/university/profiles/index.html</a>