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Personal Information

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Military Service: Completed 09/01/2010

Profile

Molecular Biologist by training. I am now a Project Leader with Project Management and R&D experience in academia, global pharma and biotech environments. I have led and managed research and commercial projects in the non clinical and clinical setting with a results-oriented mindset, with emphasis on quality and timelines aspects. I have a demonstrated ability to distill complex scientific and organizational concepts into clear and concise message, while I enjoy engaging with stakeholders. I am a member of PMI and currently studying for my PMP examination.

Prior to the PM role, I had wide exposure to competitive intelligence and medical/scientific affairs roles, as well academic/institutional R&D roles, with some experience into university lecturing (UK).

I have strong business acumen, experience in dealing effectively with first-time situations and a genuine interest in understanding and analyzing every step of portfolio and project management. Known for driving results while using a transparent, motivating and enthusiastic approach.

Current Appointment and Work Experience

- Apr 2022 - **Project Leader** - Pharmathen, Greece – Innovative formulations / Medicines
Current
- Key Responsibilities:**
- Project Leader activities in drug development - R&D assets (original and generics).
 - Leading Competitive Intelligence activities in tandem with the Business Development Team.
 - Facilitate information exchange with Functional lines, Business Development Leaders, Project Leaders, Safety and Clinical Teams and Senior Management.
 - Provide credible data, insight and recommendations to facilitate project and resource prioritization discussions.
 - Due Diligence and New Tech On-Boarding Activities with R&D and Business Development Leaders.
- May 2021 - **Senior Project Manager** - Pharmathen, Greece – Innovative formulations / Medicines
Apr 2022
- Key Responsibilities:**
- Project Management and Leading Activities in R&D
 - Work with technical project team members to build clinical and/or non-clinical drug development plans.
 - Cross functional activities to expedite project planning, monitoring and quality.
 - Provide credible data, insight and recommendations to facilitate project and resource prioritization discussions
 - *Communication:* Facilitate information exchange with Functional lines, Project

Leader, CMC leader, Safety Leader and Senior Management.

Mar 2020 - **Project Manager**

Apr 2021 GlaxoSmithKline, UK - Portfolio, Project & Resource Management

Key Responsibilities:

- *Project Plan Preparation, Management, Maintenance, Monitoring and Alignment:* Accountable to and work with Project Leader and technical project team members to build and manage drug development plans using a defined work package milestone library. Facilitate strategy execution and decision-making.
- *Resource Management:* Influence direction of project development utilizing credible data, scenario planning and insights to aid decision-making.
- *Risk-Budget management:* Identify Risks and ensure plan is active and routinely discussed in the matrix team. Conduct periodic health checks of the Plans to ensure quality of project planning and control. Establish and manage internal budget (FTE/IPE) in Planisware and external budget (EPE) in Hyperion.
- *Team Ops:* Overseeing strategy execution. Ensuring team meetings have structure and purpose, action plan and communication with Senior Stakeholders.
- *Communication:* Facilitate information exchange with Functional lines, Project Leader, CMC leader, Safety Leader and Senior Management.
- *Governance:* Assist in preparation of documents including detailed reports and slide decks to key governance meetings. Assist in scenario planning and analysis.

Feb 2017 - **Biology Leader / Investigator**

Feb 2020 GlaxoSmithKline, UK - Medicinal Science and Technology / Cell Therapy.

Key Responsibilities:

- Program Leader of a competitive intelligence task force designed to pinpoint game-changing solutions for cell therapy modalities and CMC process.
- Engagement with sponsors and stakeholders regarding scientific affairs.
- WP leader for several novel biopharmaceutical assets. Responsible for designing/developing the asset from target validation through to Candidate Selection, in Oncology, Immunoinflammation and Respiratory.
- Preparation of literature analyses, participation in local & international scientific congresses and providing scientific updates.
- Organizing, coordinating, conducting and completing Advisory Boards and Investigator Meetings.
- Single point of accountability for the design and execution of the departmental conference strategy.

June 2011 - **Research Fellow – Group Leader**

Jan 2017 Biomedical Research Foundation of the Academy of Athens (BRFAA)
Division of Pharmacology – Pharmacotechnology

Key Responsibilities:

- Secured and managed a four-year fellowship grant, accountable for scientific plan design and execution, budget management, data integrity, toxicity studies.
- Lead and managed a small team responsible for addressing key pharmacological questions regarding the biology and PK/PD of small molecules and peptide-based therapeutics for cancer treatment.
- Dissemination of results in conferences and global networking for collaborations.
- Engagement with Senior management, Oncology KOLs and cross-departmental stakeholders regarding scientific affairs.
- Assist in regulatory affairs of generic medicines and interaction with EOF.

Jan 2010 - **Research Associate in Cancer Therapeutics**



June 2011 Imperial College London and King's College London, London, U.K.
National Heart and Lung Institute, and Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences

Key Responsibilities:

- Development of thermally sensitive liposomal drug formulations.
- Dissemination of results in conferences and global networking for collaborations.
- Trouble-shooting tasks, and strategic decision making with the Group Leaders.
- Supervision of students (PhD – MSc level) on a daily basis.

Education

Oct 2004 - **PhD in Cell/Gene Therapy - Imperial College London**
Sep 2008 Department of Chemistry, University of London, U.K.

Sep 1999 - **BSc in Molecular Biology with Industrial Placement - Aberdeen University**
July 2004 Aberdeen, U.K. Upper Second Honours (2:1)

Further Training & Development

Feb 2017 - **GlaxoSmithKline Funded Courses:**
Current Certification in:

- MSL / Medical Affairs Training
- PMP Certification
- Advanced PK/PD
- Management Essentials
- 6 Sigma Team Dynamics
- First Line Leader

June 2016 **GCP Training certificate: An Introduction to ICH GCP Guidelines.**

Association of Clinical Research Professionals, eLearning Course

- ICH-GCP Standards and Principles - Regulatory Status in U.S., E.U. & Japan
- Role and Responsibilities of the Sponsor and the Investigator
 - Trial Set Up
 - Quality Assurance & Control
 - Informed Consent
 - Adverse Event Reporting

Sep 2011 - **Experience of working in a GLP – ISO:17025 certified environment.**

Dec 2016 Pharmacology – Pharmacotechnology Division, BRFAA, Greece

- Maintenance and calibration of LC-MS/MS instrumentation
- Bioanalysis according to EMEA guidelines
- Principles of Health and Safety
- Generation of SOPs
- Generation of research protocols and reports.

Feb 2015 - **How to start-up and manage an anti-cancer oriented small biotech company**

July 2015 SEV-Hellenic Federation of Enterprises, Greece

- Search for international Patents (EPO, WIPO)
- Management of Sponsors
- Generation of a Business Plan
- SWOT analysis
- Marketing Techniques

July 2011 - **Training and experience in the process of drug approval (generics) by the Greek Regulatory Agency (EOF).**

June 2012 Pharmacology – Pharmacotechnology Division, BRFAA, Greece.



Fellowships - Grants - Fund Raising Ability

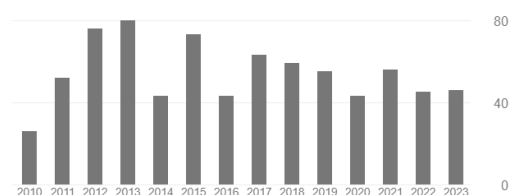
- Feb 2015 Enterprise idea of how to start-up and manage an anti-cancer oriented small biotech
 July 2015 company selected for completion by the "SEV - Ekkinisi" workshop (CAPTAIN, no:1989).
- Feb 2012 4-year EU-FP7 Research Fellowship for distinctive postdocs, by the Greek Ministry of
 Feb 2016 Education (LS7-1682/17156/ 6.12.10), to develop targeted anti-cancer molecules.
 Research was performed in the Biomedical Research Foundation of the Academy of
 Athens, division of Pharmacology - Pharmacotechnology.
- Sep 2004 4-year fully funded PhD Fellowship at Imperial College London through "Mitsubishi
 Sep 2008 Chemicals" and IC-Vec Ltd for developing novel gene therapy vectors and therapies.

Honours & Awards

- Mar 2020 Innovation, Performance, Trust (IPT) Award (best among peers in department) - GSK
 Jan 2020 Bronze Recognition Award for Conference Strategy Success - GSK
 Nov 2020 Silver Recognition Award for Program lead in Competitive Intelligence- GSK
 Sep 2020 Silver Recognition Award for Program lead in Treg Biology
 Jan 2019 Bronze Recognition Award for Conference Strategy Success - GSK
 Nov 2018 Bronze Recognition Award for WP lead in Treg Biology - GSK
 Oct 2017 Bronze Recognition Award for cell therapy modality WP completion - GSK
 Mar 2015 **Travel grant** to attend the AACR satellite workshop "Tumor Angiogenesis and Vascular
 Normalization: Bench to Bedside to Biomarkers" (Orlando, USA).
 Apr 2014 **Travel grant** to attend the annual meeting of the American Association for Cancer
 Research (San Diego, USA).
 Feb 2014 **Travel grant** for the oral presentation at the 11th International Symposium on GnRH
 (Salzburg, Austria).
 Apr 2013 **Travel grant** to attend the annual meeting of the American Association for Cancer
 Research (Washington DC, USA).
 June 2012 **Travel grant** for poster presentation at the 22nd Conference of the European Association
 for Cancer Research (Barcelona, Spain).
 June 2011 **Two products of my PhD research were purchased** by the German Biotech Company
 Plasmid Factory GmbH and are currently commercially available.
 June 2010 **Travel grant** for the oral presentation at the 17th Annual Meeting of the German Society
 for Gene Therapy (Munich, Germany).
 June 2008 **Travel grant** for the oral presentation and 2nd place in the Fairbairn Award at the 5th
 British Society of Gene Therapy (Edinburgh, U.K.).
 June 2007 **Travel grant** for Oral Presentation in the 15th European Society for Gene Therapy
 (Rotterdam, Holland).
 June 2004 **Selected** as a lead graduate to represent the University of Aberdeen brochure for
 prospective students.

Publications (n = 45 / n = 2 book chapters) – Dec 2023 Data (Google Scholar)

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