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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

I.1 Personal Data

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I.2 Education

- *Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Medical Genetics (Grade Excellent)*
National and Kapodistrian University of Athens School of Medicine, Athens, Greece
Thesis: "Reporting on genetic disorders in the Greek-Cypriot population"
October 2009
- *Medical Degree (Grade Good)*
National and Kapodistrian University of Athens School of Medicine, Athens, Greece
September 1975 – June 1982
- *High School Apolyterion (Grade Excellent)*
Acropoleos Gymnasium, Nicosia, Cyprus
June 1975

I.3 Medical Training

- *Specialisation in Paediatrics*
1st Paediatrics Clinic, P&A Kyriakou Children's Hospital, Athens, Greece
1986-1990
- *Pre-registration (License in General Medicine and Practice)*
Nicosia General Hospital, Nicosia, Cyprus
1983-1985

I.4 Further Postgraduate Training

- *Course in Medical Genetics*
European School of Medical Genetics, Genoa, Italy
1997
- *Fulbright Scholar - Medical Genetics*
Medical Genetics Department (Director Prof. Victor McKusick), Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland, USA
1993
- *Fulbright Scholar - Medical Genetics*
Division of Genetics and Metabolism (Director Dr. Kenneth Rosenbaum), Children's National Medical Center, Washington DC, USA
1993
- *Training in Clinical Genetics*
Medical Genetics Clinic of the 1st Paediatrics Clinic, P&A Kyriakou Children's Hospital, Athens, Greece
1988-1990
- *2nd International Postgraduate Winter Course on "the treatment of the diabetic child and adolescent"*
International Study Group of Diabetes in Children (ISGD), Passo Del Tonale, Italy
1988

I.5 Work Experience

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| 1994 - present | Consultant Paediatrician – Clinical Geneticist, Head of the Department of Clinical Genetics, Archbishop Makarios III Hospital (Paediatrics Department) and the Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics, Nicosia, Cyprus |
| 1991 – 1994 | Consultant Paediatrician, Department of Paediatrics, Famagusta Regional Hospital, Derinia, Cyprus |

I.6 Teaching Experience / Academic Appointments

2010 – 2012	Faculty Member of the Postgraduate (MSc / PhD) course in “Medical Genetics” of the Department of Biological Sciences of the University of Cyprus and the Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics. Teaching: “Introduction to Clinical Genetics and Genetic Counselling”
2001 – 2010	Faculty Member of the European School of Genetic Medicine (ESGM) “Genetic Counselling in Practice” course. Teaching: “Cross Cultural Perspectives in Genetic Counselling” and “Medical Genetics and Public Health: Community Genetics” Workshops: Dysmorphology, Mendelian Inheritance, Hereditary Cancer Syndromes, Setting up Genetic Services
2010	Faculty Member of the European School of Genetic Medicine (ESGM) “Medical Genetics” hybrid course Teaching: “Genetic Counselling and Ethical issues”
2005	Faculty Member of the European School of Genetic Medicine (ESGM) “Cancer Genetics” hybrid course. Teaching: “Genetic Counselling in Hereditary Cancer”
2000 – present	Clinical Genetics training of residents in paediatrics of the Archbishop Makarios III Hospital, Nicosia, Cyprus (practical rotations in the clinic). Teaching annually the “Introduction to Clinical Genetics” course
1997 - 2007	Clinical Genetics training of students of the Nursing School of the Ministry of Health, Nicosia, Cyprus Teaching annually the “Introduction to Clinical Genetics” course
1997 - 2003	Clinical Genetics training of Community Nurses of the Ministry of Health, Nicosia, Cyprus Teaching annually the “Introduction to Clinical Genetics” course
2004	Teaching Intercollege Nicosia (tertiary academic institution) BSc in Biology students introductory subjects on Clinical Genetics and Genetic Counselling as part of their curriculum

I.7 Appointments in International and National Scientific Committees

International

2010 – present	Member of the European Union Committee of Experts on Rare Diseases (EUCERD), Cyprus Representative, National Expert
2012 – present	Member of the European Union Reference Network - Cross-Border Healthcare Expert Group
2005 – 2010	Member of the European Union Rare Diseases Task Force (RDTF), Cyprus Representative, National Expert
2001 - 2006	Member of the European Society of Human Genetics (ESHG) Public and Professional Policy Committee

National

2009 – present	Member of the Steering Committee for the Development of a National Plan for Rare Diseases, Appointed by the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Cyprus
2009 – present	Member of the National Committee for Special Education, Appointed by the Ministry of Education and Culture
2010 – present	Member of the Advisory Committee for the Development of a National Newborn Screening Program, Appointed by the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Cyprus
2005 – 2007	Member of the Cyprus National Committee on “Environment and Child’s Health”, Appointed by the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Cyprus
2002 – 2006	Member of the National Bioethics Committee, Appointed by the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Cyprus
2000 – present	Scientific Advisor, Committee for the protection of the rights of people with a mental handicap
1996 – present	Scientific Advisor, Cyprus Portage Foundation
1995 - 2002	Scientific Associate, The Theotokos Foundation, Mental Retardation Prevention Center, Limassol, Cyprus
1990 – 1991	Scientific Associate in Paediatric Genetics, The Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics, Nicosia, Cyprus

I.8 Academic Awards and Honours*Fellowship from Fulbright / Amideast*

Training in Clinical Genetics, Department of Medical Genetics Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Maryland, USA (under the supervision of Victor McKusick) and Division of Genetics and Metabolism, Children’s National Medical Center, Washington DC, USA (under the supervision of Kenneth Rosenbaum), 1993

II. PUBLICATIONS**A. Peer-reviewed publications in international journals**

Citation Index (until December 2012)

Without self-citations: 196

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1. Tanteles GA, **Christophidou-Anastasiadou V**. Ocular phenotype of Mowat-Wilson syndrome in the first reported Cypriot patients: An under-recognised association. Clin Dysmorphol. *Submitted*
2. Kousoulidou L, Tanteles G, Moutafi M, Sismani C, Patsalis PC, **Anastasiadou V**. 263.4 kb deletion within the *TCF4* gene consistent with Pitt-Hopkins syndrome, inherited from a mosaic parent with normal phenotype. Eur J Med Genet. *Submitted*

3. Kousoulidou L, Moutafi M, Nicolaidis P, Hadjiloizou S, Christophi C, Paradesiotou A, **Anastasiadou V**, Sismani C, Patsalis PC. Screening of 50 Cypriot patients with autism spectrum disorders or autistic features using 400K custom array-CGH. *Eur J Hum Genet. Submitted*
4. Georgiou T, Christopoulos G, Anastasiadou V, Hadjiloizou S, Cregeen D, Jackson M, Mavrikiou G, Kleanthous M, Drousiotou A. The first family with Tay-Sachs disease in Cyprus: Genetic analysis reveals a nonsense (c.78G>A) and a silent (c.1305C>T) mutation and allows preimplantation genetic diagnosis. *Submitted*
5. Dixit A, McKee S, Mansour S, Mehta S, Tanteles G, **Anastasiadou V**, Patsalis P, Martin K, McCullough S, Suri M, Sarkar A. 7q11.23 Microduplication: a recognizable phenotype. *Clin Genet.* 2012 Feb 27. [Epub ahead of print]
6. Amelang K, Anastasiadou-Christophidou V, Beck S, Constantinou C, Johansson A, Lundin S. Learning to eat strawberries in a disciplined way. Normalization practices following organ transplantation. *Ethnologia Europaea* 2011; 41:2
7. Sismani C, **Anastasiadou V**, Kousoulidou L, Parkel S, Koumbaris G, Zilina O, Bashiardes S, Spanou E, Kurg A, Patsalis PC. 9 Mb familial duplication in chromosome band Xp22.2-22.13 associated with mental retardation, hypotonia and developmental delay, scoliosis, cardiovascular problems and mild dysmorphic facial features. *Eur J Med Genet.* 2011; 54(5):e510-5.
8. Neocleous V, Skordis N, Portides G, Efstathiou E, Costi C, Ioannou N, Pantzaris M, **Anastasiadou V**, Deltas C, Phylactou LA. RET proto-oncogene mutations are restricted to codon 618 in Cypriot families with multiple endocrine neoplasia 2. *J Endocrinol Invest.* 2011; 34(10):764-9.
9. Sismani C, Kitsiou-Tzeli S, Ioannides M, Christodoulou C, **Anastasiadou V**, Stylianidou G, Papadopoulou E, Kanavakis E, Kosmaidou-Aravidou Z, Patsalis PC. Cryptic genomic imbalances in patients with de novo or familial apparently balanced translocations and abnormal phenotype. *Mol Cytogenet.* 2008; 1:15.
10. Soini S, Aymé S, Matthijs G; **Public and Professional Policy Committee and Patenting and Licensing Committee.** Patenting and licensing in genetic testing: ethical, legal, and social issues. *Eur J Hum Genet.* 2008; 16 Suppl 1:S10-50.
11. Aymé S, Matthijs G, Soini S; **ESHG Working Party on Patenting and Licensing.** Patenting and licensing in genetic testing: recommendations of the European Society of Human Genetics. *Eur J Hum Genet.* 2008; 16 Suppl 1:S10-9.
12. **ESHG Working Party on Patenting and Licensing.** Patenting and licensing in genetic testing. *Eur J Hum Genet.* 2008; 16(4):405-11.
13. Neocleous V, Aspris A, Shahpenterian V, Nicolaou V, Panagi C, Ioannou I, Kyamides Y, **Anastasiadou V**, Phylactou LA. High frequency of 35delG GJB2 mutation and absence of del (GJB6-D13S1830) in Greek Cypriot patients with nonsyndromic hearing loss. *Genet Test.* 2006; 10(4):285-9.
14. Loizidou M, Marcou Y, **Anastasiadou V**, Newbold R, Hadjisavvas A, Kyriacou K. Contribution of BRCA1 and BRCA2 germline mutations to the incidence of early-onset breast cancer in Cyprus. *Clin Genet.* 2007; 71(2):165-70.
15. Neocleous V, Portides G, **Anastasiadou V**, Phylactou LA. Determination of the carrier frequency of the common GJB2 (connexin-26) 35delG mutation in the Greek Cypriot population. *Int J Pediatr Otorhinolaryngol.* 2006; 70(8):1473-7.

16. Hadjisavvas A, Papasavva T, Loizidou M, Malas S, Potamitis G, Christodoulou C, Pavlides G, Papamichael D, Klonis C, Nasioulas G, **Anastasiadou V**, Kyriacou K. Novel germline mutations in the APC gene of Cypriot patients with familial and sporadic adenomatous polyposis. *Clin Genet.* 2006; 69(5):404-9.
17. Soini S, Ibarreta D, **Anastasiadou V**, Aymé S, Braga S, Cornel M, Coviello DA, Evers-Kiebooms G, Geraedts J, Gianaroli L, Harper J, Kosztolanyi G, Lundin K, Rodrigues-Cerezo E, Sermon K, Sequeiros J, Tranebjaerg L, Kääriäinen H; ESHG; ESHRE. The interface between assisted reproductive technologies and genetics: technical, social, ethical and legal issues. *Eur J Hum Genet.* 2006; 14(5):588-645.
18. Georgiou T, Stylianidou G, **Anastasiadou V**, Caciotti A, Campos Y, Zammarchi E, Morrone A, D'azzo A, Drousiotou A. The Arg482His mutation in the beta-galactosidase gene is responsible for a high frequency of GM1 gangliosidosis carriers in a Cypriot village. *Genet Test.* 2005; 9(2):126-32.
19. Drousiotou A, Stylianidou G, **Anastasiadou V**, Christopoulos G, Mavrikiou E, Georgiou T, Kalakoutis G, Oladimeji A, Hara Y, Suzuki K, Furihata K, Ueno I, Ioannou PA, Fensom AH. Sandhoff disease in Cyprus: population screening by biochemical and DNA analysis indicates a high frequency of carriers in the Maronite community. *Hum Genet.* 2000; 107(1):12-7.
20. Xenophontos SL, Pierides A, Demetriou K, Avraamides P, Manoli P, Ayrton N, Skordis N, **Anastasiadou V**, Miltiadous G, Cariolou MA. Geographical clustering of low density lipoprotein receptor gene mutations (C292X; Q363X; D365E & C660X) in Cyprus. *Hum Mutat.* 2000; 15(4):380.
21. Patsalis PC, Sismani C, Hettinger JA, Boumba I, Georgiou I, Stylianidou G, **Anastasiadou V**, Koukoulli R, Pagoulatos G, Syrrou M. Molecular screening of fragile X (FRAXA) and FRAXE mental retardation syndromes in the Hellenic population of Greece and Cyprus: incidence, genetic variation, and stability. *Am J Med Genet.* 1999; 84(3):184-90.
22. Furihata K, Drousiotou A, Hara Y, Christopoulos G, Stylianidou G, **Anastasiadou V**, Ueno I, Ioannou P. Novel splice site mutation at IVS8 nt 5 of HEXB responsible for a Greek-Cypriot case of Sandhoff disease. *Hum Mutat.* 1999; 13(1):38-43.
23. Patsalis PC, Sismani C, Hadjimarcou MI, Rose N, Stylianidou G, Koukoulli R, **Anastasiadou V**, Deltas CC, Middleton L. Cytogenetic and fragile X molecular testing of individuals with mental retardation of unknown etiology. *Genet Couns.* 1997; 8(1):1-6.
24. Hara Y, Ioannou P, Drousiotou A, Stylianidou G, **Anastasiadou V**, Suzuki K. Mutation analysis of a Sandhoff disease patient in the Maronite community in Cyprus. *Hum Genet.* 1994; 94(2):136-40.
25. Karayanni C, **Anastasiadou V**, Spyropoulou M, Delis D, Khalil I, Lepage V, Papanicolaou M, Varla M, Stavropoulou A, Bartsocas CS. Genetic predisposition and IDDM in Greece. *Genet Couns.* 1993; 4(3):181-6.
26. Michelakakis H, Delis D, **Anastasiadou V**, Bartsocas C. Ineffectiveness of captopril in reducing cystine excretion in cystinuric children. *J Inherit Metab Dis.* 1993; 16(6):1042-3.

27. Middleton LT, **Anastasiades V**, Panayidou K, Georghiou D, Kalli E, Gabriel G, Myrianthopoulos NC. New hereditary malformation syndrome of unusual facial appearance, skeletal deformities, and musculoskeletal and sensory defects. **Am J Med Genet.** 1992 Dec 1; 44(6):757-61.
28. Bartsocas CS, Karayanni C, **Anastasiadou V**, *et al.* Increased HLA DR2 incidence in Greek patients with insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus reflects no protective effect. **Am J Hum Genet** 1990; 48 (Suppl): A207.

B. Book Contributions

1. Patsalis PC, Sismani C, Hadjimarcou M, Stylianidou G, Koukouli R, **Anastasiadou V**. (1998). Molecular Diagnosis and Frequency of the Fragile X Syndrome in the Cypriot Population. In Bartsocas SC and Beighton P (Eds.), **Genetic Counseling in the Dawn of the 21st Century**, Zeta Medical Publications ISBN: 960-7144-45-7
2. Christophidou Anastasiadou V (1998). Applications of Cloning in Medicine. In Kalokairinou E, Kleanthous M (Eds.), “Η κλωνοποίηση και ο σύγχρονος άνθρωπος”, University of Cyprus Press (pp 29-41).

C. Abstracts in peer-reviewed conferences / meetings

I have (co)authored several hundreds of abstracts included in proceedings of national and international meetings. Detailed records are kept since 2006.

1. C. Costi, C. Shammass, **V. Anastasiadou**, G. Tanteles, E. Spanou, Y. Kyamides, V. Neocleous, LA Phylactou, “The genetic basis of non-syndromic hearing loss in Cyprus”, **3rd International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 16-18 November 2012
2. R. Pentaliotis, M. Loizidou, C. Flouri, I. Neophytou, Y. Marcou, E. Kakouri, E. Spanou, **V. Anastasiadou**, A. Hadjisavvas, K. Kyriacou, “The significance of CHEK2 gene in familial breast cancer in Cyprus”, **3rd International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 16-18 November 2012
3. K. Christodoulou, C. Votsi, P. Nicolaou, A. Georgiou, M. Pantzaris, S. Papacostas, K. Kleopa, YP Christou, G. Tanteles, **V. Anastasiadou**, T. Kyriakides, E. Zamba-Papanicolaou, “Epidemiology of ataxias in the Cypriot population”, **3rd International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 16-18 November 2012
4. CM Christou, A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, “Functional significance and cancer risk assessment of BRCA1 unclassified variants (UVs) identified in Cypriot families”, **3rd International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 16-18 November 2012
5. A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, C. Flouri, I. Neophytou, Y. Marcou, E. Kakouri, E. Spanou, T. Delikurt, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, “Hereditary breast cancer: genetics and pathology”, **3rd International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 16-18 November 2012

6. H. Katugampola, J. Say, M. Toumba, V. Neocleous, C. Shamma, E. Efstathiou, **V. Anastasiadou**, LA Phylactou, N. Skordis, J. Allgrove, “A case of Camurati Engelmann disease with endocrine complications due to a missense mutation of the TGFB1 gene”, **British Society for Paediatric Endocrinology and Diabetes**, Leeds, UK, 7 - 9 November 2012
7. GA Tanteles, A. Hadjisavvas, K. Kleopa, M. Loizidou, K. Kyriacou, **V. Anastasiadou**, “First reported cases of oculo-dento-digital dysplasia (ODDD) in Cyprus, caused by a novel *GJA1* mutation”, **XII Neuromediterranée Conference**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 2-4 November 2012
8. **V. Anastasiadou**, AM Kotti, E. Spanou-Aristidou, T. Delikurt, GA Tanteles, “An unusual cause of seizures and eye malformations. First report of two Cypriot patients with Mowat-Wilson syndrome”, **XII Neuromediterranée Conference**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 2-4 November 2012
9. **V. Christophidou Anastasiadou**, GA Tanteles, “The ocular phenotype of Mowat - Wilson syndrome. An under-recognised association”, **Manchester Dysmorphology Conference**, Manchester, UK, 22 – 25 October 2012
10. GA Tanteles, **V. Christophidou Anastasiadou**, M Suri, A Sarkar, “ Two patients with oculoauriculofrontonasal syndrome (OAFNS) and negative array-CGH analyses”, **Manchester Dysmorphology Conference**, Manchester, UK, 22 – 25 October 2012
11. **VC Anastasiadou**, T. Delikurt Tuncalp, E. Spanou Aristidou, A. Kotti, G. Tanteles, “The Home Coming of Genetic Counsellors: The Cyprus Experience”, **European Human Genetics Conference 2012**, Nuremberg, Germany, 23-26 June 2012
12. GA Tanteles, T. Delikurt, E. Spanou, AM Kotti, **VC Anastasiadou**, “Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva (FOP) in Cyprus: First case report and management issues”, **European Human Genetics Conference 2012**, Nuremberg, Germany, 23-26 June 2012
13. L. Kousoulidou, M. Moutafi, P. Antoniou, P. Nicolaidis, C. Christophi, A. Paradisiotou, **V. Anastasiadou**, PC Patsalis, “Screening of 50 Cypriot patients with autism using 400K custom array-CGH”, **European Human Genetics Conference 2012**, Nuremberg, Germany, 23-26 June 2012
14. J. Hettinger, P. Evangelidou, C. Sismani, **V. Anastasiadou**, PC Patsalis, “Screening of a cohort of patients with intellectual disabilities from Cyprus using a high-resolution 400K microarray”, **European Human Genetics Conference 2012**, Nuremberg, Germany, 23-26 June 2012
15. T. Delikurt, GR Williamson, **V. Anastasiadou**, H. Skirton, “Systematic review of research related to barriers to access to genetic services”, **European Human Genetics Conference 2012**, Nuremberg, Germany, 23-26 June 2012
16. C. Costi, C. Shamma, **V. Anastasiadou**, G. Tanteles, E. Spanou, Y. Kyamides, V. Neocleous, LA Phylactou, “The genetic basis of non-syndromic hearing loss in Cyprus”, **European Human Genetics Conference 2012**, Nuremberg, Germany, 23-26 June 2012
17. L. Kousoulidou, M. Moutafi, M. Ioannides, C. Sismani, **V. Anastasiadou**, P. Patsalis, “18q21.1 microdeletion in a patient with phenotype similar to Pitt-Hopkins syndrome, inherited from mosaic patient”, **8th European Cytogenetics Conference**, Porto, Portugal, 2-5 July 2011

18. M. Moutafi , L. Kousoulidou , **V. Anastasiadou**, P. Patsalis, “11q25 duplication in two siblings with moderate to severe mental retardation, autism and dysmorphic features, detected using Agilent custom 400K array CGH”, **8th European Cytogenetics Conference**, Porto, Portugal, 2-5 July 2011
19. **VC Anastasiadou**, E.S. Aristidou, A.M. Kotti, A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, Y. Marcou, E. Kakouri, D. Papamichael, T. Delikurt, K. Kyriacou, “Cancer Genetic Counselling in Cyprus: Review of the first six years”, **European Human Genetics Conference 2011**, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 28-31 May 2011
20. A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, Y. Marcou, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, “Multiple metachronous malignancies affecting a single female patient with three primary malignancies: a case report”, **2011 Bi-annual Cyprus Anti-Cancer Society International Symposium**, Limassol, Cyprus, 11-13 March 2011
21. A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, Y. Marcou, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, “The genetics of familial breast cancer genetics in Cyprus; identification of novel mutations in the Cypriot population”, **2011 Bi-annual Cyprus Anti-Cancer Society International Symposium**, Limassol, Cyprus, 11-13 March 2011
22. A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, C. Flouri, Y. Marcou, E. Aristidou-Spanou, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, “Multiple metachronous malignancies affecting a single female patient with three primary malignancies: a case report”, **2nd International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 26-27 November 2010
23. A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, C. Flouri, I. Neophytou, T. Delikurt, E. Aristidou-Spanou, M. Daniel, E. Kakouri, P. Papadopoulos, S. Malas, D. Papamichael, C. Klonis, G. Ioannidis, Y. Marcou, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, “Cancer Genetics services in Cyprus over the last five years”, **2nd International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 26-27 November 2010
24. V. Neocleous , G. Portides , **V. Anastasiadou**, N. Ioannou , M. Pantzaris, C. Deltas, N. Skordis, L. Phylactou, “RET proto-oncogene mutations are restricted to codon 618 in Cypriot families with Familial Medullary Thyroid Carcinoma/Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia 2A”, **49th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Paediatric Endocrinology (ESPE)**, Prague, Czech Republic, 22-25 September 2010
25. S. Ourani, A. Drousiotou, G. Mavrikiou , T. Georgiou, I. Stylianou, S. Hadjiloizou, **V. Christophidou-Anastasiadou**, “Juvenile Tay Sachs disease in a 5 year old Cypriot boy”, **SSIEM Annual Symposium**, Istanbul, Turkey, 31 August - 3 September 2010
26. **V Christophidou Anastasiadou**, ES Aristidou , A. Kotti, T. Delikurt, “Reporting on genetic disorders and syndromes in Cyprus”, **European Human Genetics Conference 2010**, Gothenburg, Sweden, 12-15 May 2010
27. T. Delikurt, E. Aristidou-Spanou, A. Kotti, **V. Anastasiadou**, “Access to Genetic Services in Cyprus”, **European Human Genetics Conference 2010**, Gothenburg, Sweden, 12-15 May 2010
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31. A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, T. Michael, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, "Cancer genetics; the experience in Cyprus", **10th International Symposium on Mutations in the Genome, Mutation Detection MMIX**, Paphos, Cyprus, 28 May – 1 June 2009
32. **V. Anastasiadou**, T. Delikurt, K. Theochari, A. Kotti, E. Aristidou-Spanou , "Cross Cultural Communication in Genetic Services: Experiences in creating a network", **European Human Genetics Conference 2009**, Vienna, Austria, 23-26 May 2009
33. C. Christodoulou, E. Panayiotou, G. Koumbaris, D. Rajan, T. Fitzgerald, S. Gribble, S. Clayton, C. Hatzisevastou, A. Kurg, S. Kitsiou Tzeli, **V. Anastasiadou**, N. Scordis, Z. Kosmaidou, J. Vermeesch, A. Mavrou, A. Kolialexi, A. Yalla, I. Georgiou, N. Carter, P.C. Patsalis, "Identification of underlying mechanisms in X-chromosome disorders", **Marie Curie - Genome Architecture in Relation to Disease - Higher Order Genome Architecture**, Edinburgh, Scotland, 1–5 April 2009
34. A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, C. Gurkan, T. Michael, E. Mavrogiannou, Y. Marcou, E. Kakouri, A. Adamou, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, "Familial breast cancer: genetics and pathology", **1st International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 3-4 October 2008
35. V. Neocleous, A. Aspris, V. Shahpenterian, V. Nicolaou, C. Panagi, I. Ioannou ,G. Stylianidou, Y. Kyamides, **V. Anastasiadou**, LA Phylactou, "Identification of Inherited Deafness in Cyprus", **1st International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 3-4 October 2008
36. C. Sismani, G. Koumbaris, **V. Anastasiadou**, G. Stylianidou, S. Hadjiloizou, P. Evangelidou, P.C. Patsalis, "Investigation of cryptic chromosomal imbalances in patients with mental retardation and/or multiple congenital abnormalities using array-CGH", **1st International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 3-4 October 2008
37. **VC Anastasiadou**, ES Aristidou, A. Hadjisavvas, Y. Marcou, E. Kakouri, T. Delikurt, K. Kyriacou, "Breast cancer genetic counseling in Cyprus: first epidemiological data", **European Human Genetics Conference 2008**, Barcelona, Spain, 31 May - 2 June 2008
38. **VC Anastasiadou**, ES Aristidou, A. Kotti, T. Delikurt, D. Georgiou, A. Hadjisavvas, K. Kyriacou, "Biallelic BRCA2 - the first Greek Cypriot family reported", **European Human Genetics Conference 2008**, Barcelona, Spain, 31 May - 2 June 2008
39. V. Neocleous, **V. Anastasiadou**, M. Pantzaris, N. Skordis, LA Phylactou, "Underrepresentation of the RET sequence variants G691S and S904S in patients with a common C618R RET proto-oncogene mutation", **European Human Genetics Conference 2008**, Barcelona, Spain, 31 May - 2 June 2008

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41. A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, C. Gurkan, T. Michael, E. Mavrogiannou, Y. Marcou, E. Kakouri, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, "Familial breast cancer genetics; molecular and cellular biology at crossroads". **Recent Advances in Health and Medical Sciences (RAHMS) International Conference**, Paphos, Cyprus, 7 -12 March 2008
42. M. Loizidou, A. Hadjisavvas, Y. Markou, S. Malas, A. Adamou, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, "Association studies for discovering new breast cancer genes: do they exist?", **International forum for the study of Familial and Early Breast Cancer**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 18-21 October 2007
43. A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, Y. Markou, S. Malas, A. Adamou, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, "The spectrum of BRCA mutations in Cypriot families with breast ovarian cancer" **International forum for the study of Familial and Early Breast Cancer**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 18-21 October 2007
44. C. Sismani, **V. Anastasiadou**, S. Parkel, L. Kousoulidou, O. Zilina, S. Bashiardes, E. Spanou, A. Kurg, P.C Patsalis, "A familial duplication of Xp22.2 analysed with high resolution X chromosome specific array-MAPH methodology", **13th International Workshop on Fragile X and X-Linked Mental Retardation**, Venezia, Italy, 3-6 October 2007
45. A. Drousiotou, **V. Anastasiadou**, G. Stylianidou, E. Mavrikiou, G. Mavrikiou, M. Dionysiou, T. Georgiou, "Lysosomal Storage Disorders in Cyprus", **16th ESGLD Workshop**, Perugia, Italy, 27-30 September 2007
46. C. Sismani, S. Kitsiou-Tzeli, M. Ioannides, **V. Anastasiadou**, G. Stylianidou, E. Papadopoulou, Z. Kosmaidou, E. Kanavakis, A. Kolialexi, A. Mavrou , PC Patsalis PC, "Array-CGH characterization of familial and de novo "apparently balanced" translocations in patients with abnormal phenotype", **European Cytogenetic Conference**, Istanbul, Turkey, 7-10 July 2007
47. V. Neocleous, A. Aspris , V. Shahpenterian, V. Nicolaou, C. Panagi, I. Ioannou, Y. Kyamides, **V. Anastasiadou**, LA Phylactou, "High Frequency of 35delG *GJB2* mutation and absence of del(*GJB6-D13S1830*) in Greek Cypriot patients with nonsyndromic hearing loss", **European Human Genetics Conference 2007**, Nice, France, 16-19 June 2007
48. C. Sismani, S. Kitsiou-Tzeli, M. Ioannides, **V. Anastasiadou**, G. Stylianidou, E. Papadopoulou, Z. Kosmaidou, E. Kanavakis, A. Kolialexi, A. Mavrou , PC Patsalis PC, "Array-CGH characterization of familial and de novo "apparently balanced" translocations in patients with abnormal phenotype", **European Human Genetics Conference 2007**, Nice, France, 16-19 June 2007
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50. A. Hadjisavvas, M. Loizidou, A. Adamou, Y. Markou, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, "Genetic epidemiology of breast cancer; Results of a population based study in Cyprus", **16th International Conference on Chelators (ICOC) for the Treatment of Thalassaemia, Cancer and Other Diseases related to Metal and Free Radical Imbalance and Toxicity**, Limassol, Cyprus, 25-31 October 2006
51. P. Evangeliou, C. Sismani, **V. Anastasiadou**, S. Parkel, L. Kousoulidou, O. Zilina, S. Bashiardes, E. Spanou, G. Koumbaris, A. Kurg, PC Patsalis, "A familial duplication of Xp22.2 analysed with high resolution X chromosome specific array-MAPH (Multiplex Amplifiable Probe Hybridization) methodology", **3rd Marie Curie Conference and Training Courses on array-CGH and Molecular Cytogenetics**, Leuven, Belgium, 13-16 September, 2006
52. C. Sismani, **V. Anastasiadou**, S. Parkel, L. Kousoulidou, O. Zilina, S. Bashiardes, E. Spanou, A. Kurg, PC Patsalis, "A familial duplication of Xp22.2 analysed with high resolution X chromosome specific array-MAPH methodology", **11th International Congress of Human Genetics**, Brisbane, Australia, 6-10 August 2006
53. C. Sismani, **V. Anastasiadou**, S. Parkel, L. Kousoulidou, O. Zilina, S. Bashiardes, E. Spanou, A. Kurg, PC Patsalis, "A familial duplication of Xp22.2 analysed with high resolution X chromosome specific array-MAPH methodology", **European Human Genetics Conference 2006**, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 6-9 May 2006
54. V. Neocleous, **V. Anastasiadou**, G. Portides, LA Phylactou, "Determination of the Carrier Frequency of the Common GJB2 (Connexin-26) 35delG Mutation in the Greek Cypriot Population", **European Human Genetics Conference 2006**, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 6-9 May 2006
55. A. Hadjisavvas, T. Papasava, M. Loizidou, S. Malas, Y. Michaelides, G. Potamitis, C. Christodoulou, G. Pavlides, D. Papamichael, G. Nasioulas, **V. Anastasiadou**, K. Kyriacou, "Genetics of Familial Colorectal Cancer; the Experience in Cyprus", **8th Marianna Lordos Cancer Seminar and EU COST Action B20**, Larnaka, Cyprus, 10 - 12 February 2006
56. A. Hadjisavvas, AM Kotti, E. Spanou, K. Kyriacou, **V. Anastasiadou**, "A report on the recently introduced services of genetic counseling to patients and families with familial cancer syndromes", **8th Marianna Lordos Cancer Seminar and EU COST Action B20**, Larnaka, Cyprus, 10 - 12 February 2006

III. INVITED LECTURES

I have given over 100 invited lectures. Detailed records are kept since 2006.

1. Genetic testing and counselling for hereditary cancer syndromes in Cyprus, **10th World Hellenic Biomedical Congress**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 22-25 November 2012.
2. Introduction to genetics and speech and language disorders, **Genetic syndromes that affect speech, language, feeding and learning seminar** organized by the Association of registered speech - language pathologists, Nicosia, Cyprus, 10 November 2012.
3. Introduction to Clinical Genetics, **Department of Childhood and Adolescent Psychiatric**, Archbishop Makarios III Hospital, Nicosia, Cyprus, 9 November 2012.

4. Applications of genetic testing in every-day paediatric practice, **Postgraduate Seminar of the Paediatric Clinic of the Makarios III Hospital**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 28-29 April 2012.
5. The Cyprus experience of genetic testing and counselling, **Familial Cancer Management Seminar** organized by the Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics and the Cyprus Oncology Society, Nicosia, Cyprus, 21 March 2012.
6. National strategic plan for rare diseases, **Development of the National Strategy for Rare Diseases workshop** organized by the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus, 1 March 2012.
7. Inheritance and Cancer, **Seminar series organized by the Christina Apostolou Foundation**, Larnaca, Limassol, Nicosia, Cyprus, 9,16 & 24 November 2011.
8. Genetic diseases and early intervention in Cyprus, **1st Pancyprian Conference on Early Children Intervention**, Limassol, Cyprus, 4-5 November 2011.
9. Introduction to Clinical Genetics, **Whole day seminar for paediatrics and adolescence psychiatry nurses** organized by the Ministry of Health, Nicosia, Cyprus, 1 November 2011.
10. Genetic predisposition and breast cancer, **Europa Donna Cyprus**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 18 October 2011.
11. Rare diseases - Prevention and early diagnosis in Cyprus, **Development of the National Strategy for Rare Diseases workshop** organized by the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus, 23 June 2011.
12. The role of diagnosis and genetic counseling in the inclusion of patients with rare diseases, **Family Action for the Inclusion of People with Intellectual Disabilities in Society - Inclusion Europe, Europe in Action 2011 Conference**, Larnaca, Cyprus, 12-14 May 2011.
13. Genetic diseases in the Cypriot population, for the club «ΦΙΛΑΝΘΕΙΣ and ΙΚΕΠΑΝΑ», Nicosia, Cyprus, 11 January 2011.
14. Rare diseases: European dimension, national plan, **Cyprus Society of Human Genetics Annual Meeting**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 24 February 2011.
15. Genetic counselling in cancer patients, **Bank of Cyprus Oncology Centre**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 10 February 2011.
16. Clinical Genetics Clinic and Rare diseases, **Cyprus Alliance for Rare Diseases (CARD)**, Nicosia, Cyprus, February 2011.
17. Challenges in genetic counselling, **2nd International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 26-27 November 2010.
18. TAG project-Cyprus data, **2nd Together Against Genodermatoses (TAG) Working Session**, Rome, Italy, 22-23 October 2010.
19. Adolescence to Adulthood of children with special needs and children with rare genetic conditions, **From Adolescence to Adulthood - Normality and Psychopathology International Conference**, organized by the Cyprus Psychiatric Society with the collaboration of WPA section of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and WPA Section of Preventative Psychiatry, Larnaca, Cyprus, 9-12 September 2010.

20. Genetic Counselling and Ethical issues, **European School of Genetic Medicine 23rd Course in Medical Genetics**, Hybrid Course, Nicosia, Cyprus, 23-28 May 2010.
21. Recording of genetic diseases in the Cypriot population, **Postgraduate Seminar of the Paediatric Clinic of the Makarios III Hospital**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 15 May 2010.
22. Mental retardation from the clinical geneticist's scope, **Paediatrics Clinic of the Makarios III Hospital**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 19 April 2010.
23. National Strategic Plan for Rare Diseases – Presentation of the first draft, **Ministry of Health of the Republic of Cyprus**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 22 March 2010.
24. Clinical Genetics Clinic and Rare Diseases, **Cyprus Alliance for Rare Diseases (CARD)**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 10 March 2010.
25. TAG project-Cyprus data, **1st Together Against Genodermatoses (TAG) Working Session**, Athens, Greece, 22-25 May 2009.
26. Down syndrome in Cyprus: the genetics clinic view, **Association of registered speech – language pathologists annual meeting**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 9 October 2009.
27. Reflections of a personal route, **8th Hellenic Paediatric Neurology Conference**, Athens, Greece, 13-14 December 2008.
28. **The Gene Net Cyprus Project**, Gene Net Cyprus Kick off Meeting, Nicosia, Cyprus, 30 October 2008.
29. Eulogy: When personality traits influence science and society, **1st International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 3-4 October 2008.
30. Gaucher's disease – the experience of the Clinical Genetics Clinic in Cyprus, **21st Annual Medical Conference "Hippocrates Days"** organized by Medical Society of Nicosia-Kerynia "Hippocrates", Nicosia, Cyprus, 29-30 March 2008.
31. Genetic Counselling in Hereditary Cancer, **International forum for the study of Familial and Early Breast Cancer**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 18-21 October 2007.
32. Neurofibromatosis and other neurocutaneous syndromes, **Lecture Series for the Cyprus Paediatrics Society and the Paediatrics Department of the Makarios III Hospital**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 2007.
33. Genetic disorders that affect speech, language and feeding, **Association of registered speech – language pathologists annual meeting**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 13 May 2006.
34. Indications for genetic investigations, **Annual Conference of the Cyprus Paediatric Society**, Nicosia, Cyprus, March 2006.
35. The role and services of clinical genetics in Cyprus, **Ministry of Health**, March 2006.
36. A report on the recently introduced services of genetic counselling to patients and families with familial cancer syndromes, **8th Marianna Lordos Cancer Seminar and EU COST Action B20**, Larnaka, Cyprus, 10- 12 February 2006.

IV. COMPETITIVE RESEARCH FUNDING

From European Commission, Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation, Telethon and other funding sources. The list of grants in the last 6 years with principal investigator role (single PI or one of several PIs (Co-PI)) includes:

2007 – 2013	Funder: European Commission, FP7 Title: ORPHANET (European Collaboration for Rare Diseases) Role: PI from Cyprus
2010 – 2012	Funder: Telethon Cyprus Title: Functional significance and cancer risk assessment of BRCA1 and BRCA2 uncharacterized/unclassified variants (UVs) in Cypriot families Role: Investigator
2009 – 2012	Funder: EUROPE AID – EU-Cyprus Civil Society Title: Epidemiology of cancer in Cyprus Role: Investigator
2009 – 2011	Funder: European Commission, FP7 Title: Improving Health Care and Social Support for Patients and Family affected by Severe Genodermatoses – Together Against Genodermatoses (TAG) Role: Co-PI
2009 – 2011	Funder: Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation Title: High Resolution Genetics Investigation of Autism in Cyprus Role: Investigator
2008 – 2011	Funder: European Commission, FP7 Title: Improving Diagnosis of Mental Retardation in Children in Central Eastern Europe and Central Asia through Genetic Characterisation and Bioinformatics / Statistics Role: Investigator
2007 – 2008	Funder: UNDP Public Health Grants Title: Epidemiology of Cancer in Cyprus Role: Investigator
2006 – 2008	Funder: UNDP Public Health Grants Title: Genetics website and information to patients and clinicians Role: PI
2006 – 2008	Funder: Research Promotion Foundation Title: Genetic Investigation of syndromes with X Chromosomal anomalies Role: Investigator

2006 – 2007	Funder: Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation Title: Development of a novel method to detect large rearrangements in the <i>BRCA1</i> and <i>BRCA2</i> genes in patients from Cyprus and Slovenia (Bilateral program Cyprus-Slovenia) Role: Investigator
2005 – 2007	Funder: Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation Title: Cloning and expression of BRCA mutations in in-vitro systems Role: Investigator
2005 - 2006	Funder: American Embassy-Federal Assistance Award Title: Bicomunal campaign for genetic disorders Role: PI
2004 – 2007	Funder: European Commission, FP5 Title: ORPHANET (European Collaboration for Rare Diseases) Role: PI from Cyprus
2004 – 2007	Funder: European Commission, FP5 Title: Challenges of Biomedicine-Socio culture contexts, European Governance and Bioethics Role: PI from Cyprus
2003 – 2006	Funder: Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation Title: Genetic and linguistic factors in the growth of speech Role: Investigator

V. SUPERVISION

A. High School / Undergraduate supervision

Over the years I've supervised and trained over 50 high school and undergraduate summer students who spent between 1-3 months in the clinic during the summer vacations.

B. Postgraduate supervision

Postgraduate students whose entire research project and thesis were (are being) completed within the department (and were/are under my supervision):

Mrs Turem Delikurt, for her PhD thesis project titled "Genetic Counselling in the Turkish Cypriot Community" (registered at the University of Plymouth, Plymouth, UK). October 2010 - now.

Postgraduate students preparation for MSc in Genetic Counselling (1 year training):

- Ms Ourania Anastasiou
- Mr Kristian Theochari.
- Mrs Turem Delikurt
- Ms Demetra Georgiou

VI. REGISTERED MEMBERSHIPS

Since 2009	Member of the Hellenic Society for the Study of Inborn Errors of Metabolism
Since 2003	Founding Member of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics (CSHG)
Since 1998	Member of the European Society of Human Genetics (ESHG)
Since 1992	Member of the Hellenic Association of Medical Geneticists
Since 1990	Member of the Cyprus Paediatric Society
Since 1984	Member of the Cyprus Medical Association

VII. COMMITTEE WORK AND ACTIVITIES

VII.1 Committee work

2010 – 2011	Elected President of the Board of Directors of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics
2004 – 2006	Elected Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics

VII.2 Organizing / Scientific committees

I have served in the organizing and scientific committee for over 50 national / international conferences / workshops. Detailed records are kept since 2008.

Member of the Organizing and Scientific committee of the “Together Against Genodermatoses (TAG) Seminar”, 12-13 November 2011

Member of the Scientific committee of the 3rd International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics, Solon Triantafyllides Conference Hall, Bank of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus, 16-18 November 2012

Member of the Organizing Committee of the Postgraduate Seminar of the Paediatric Clinic of the Makarios III Hospital, Nicosia, Cyprus, 28-29 April 2012

Member of the Organizing Committee of the Workshop on the Development of a Strategic Plan for Rare Diseases, Ministry of Health, Nicosia, Cyprus, 1 March 2012

Member of the Organizing Committee of the Workshop on the Development of a Strategic Plan for Rare Diseases, Ministry of Health, Nicosia, Cyprus, 23-24 June 2011

Chairperson of the Organizing and Scientific committee of the 2nd International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics, Solon Triantafyllides Conference Hall, Bank of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus, 26-27 November 2010

Member of the Scientific Committee of the international conference “From Adolescence to Adulthood - Normality and Psychopathology International Conference”, organized by the Cyprus Psychiatric Society with the collaboration of WPA section of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and WPA Section of Preventative Psychiatry, Larnaca, Cyprus, 9-12 September 2010

Chairperson of the Organizing Committee of the UNDP Gene Net Cyprus Networking Meeting, Chateau Status, Nicosia, Cyprus, 30 October 2008

Member of the Organizing and Scientific committee of the 1st International Conference of the Cyprus Society of Human Genetics, Solon Triantafyllides Conference Hall, Bank of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus, 3-4 October 2008