

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL INFORMATION



Name: ZACHARENIA (ZENIA)

Surname: SARIDAKI

Title: MD, PhD – Medical Oncologist

Present Position: **President of the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HeSMO) (2nd run 2023 – 2025)**

Present Position: Director Medical Oncologist, 1st Oncology Dept. Metropolitan Hospital, Athens and Scientific Director of the Oncology Department «ASKLEPIOS Diagnosis» – “Asklepeion” Crete Clinic, Heraklion Crete (Private Sector)

Nationality: Hellenic

DOB: 18-07-1972

Place of Birth: Heraklion, Crete – Greece

Phone: +30 6944550786

Email: zeniasar@gmail.com

PROFESSIONAL CAREER – DISTINCTIONS

- 2024:** **Head of the Working Group for the creation of the National Cancer Registry** (since February 2024, by joint ministerial decision of the Minister of Health, Mr. Adonis Georgiadis, and the Deputy Minister, Mr. Marios Themistocleous)
- 2024:** **Member of the non-remunerated Control Committee of the Electronic Pre-Approval System of the National Organization for Healthcare Services (E.O.P.Y.Y.)** (from April 2024, appointed by decision of the Minister of Health, Mr. Adonis Georgiadis)
- 2023:** **Second term as President of the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HESMO) (2nd run 2023-2025)**
- 2023:** **Re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HESMO) (April 2023 – 6th term)**
- 2022** **Director of the First Oncology Clinic at Metropolitan Hospital, Athens.**
- 2021:** **1st election as President of the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HESMO) (2021-2023) – the first woman and the youngest person elected to this position in the history of the Society**
- 2021:** **Re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HESMO) (April 2021 – 5th term)**
- 2019:** **Re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HESMO) (April 2019 – 4th term) and first-time election as Vice President of the Board**

- 2017:** Re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HESMO) (April 2017 – **3rd term, elected as Special Secretary of the Board**)
- 2015:** Re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HESMO) (April 2015 – **2nd term, elected as Special Secretary of the Board**)
- 2014:** **Deputy Managing Editor of the official English-language journal of the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HESMO), *Forum of Clinical Oncology (FCO)*** (from 2014 until the end of 2017)
- 2013:** Elected member of the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HESMO) (April 2013 – **1st term, elected as Special Secretary of the Board**).
- Since 2012:** **Scientific Director of the Oncology Department at "Asklipios Diagnosis"** (since March 2012).
- Since 2012:** **Collaborator at the private clinic "Asklepieion of Crete"** in Heraklion, Crete.

PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ONCOLOGY SOCIETIES & NETWORKS

- 2024:** Member of the **Global Guidelines Advisory Group (GAG)** of the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) (since June 2024)
- 2023:** Member of the **Central and Eastern European Regional Council** of the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO), representing Greece (since December 2023)
- 2022:** Member of the **National Societies Committee** of the European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO), representing Greece (since July 2022)
- 2017:** Member of the **Scientific Committee of the Hellenic Cooperative Oncology Group (HeCOG)**, co-coordinator of the GI group.
- 2014:** **Co-founder and member of the Coordinating Committee** of the group **"Women in Oncology – W4O Hellas"**
- 2014:** Member of the **Hellenic Young Oncologists Group (ONEO)** until 2014
- 2010:** Member of the **European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO)** (since January 2010)
- 2008:** Active Junior Member of the **American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO)** (since January 2008)
- 2008:** Member of the **Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HESMO)** (since December 2008)
- 2003-2006:** Junior Member of the **European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO)** (from September 2006 to December 2009)

PUBLICATIONS & CONFERENCES

- **Author or co-author in 83 articles in cited peer reviewed scientific journals** (3057 citations, 27 h-index, 726.628 total impact factor, 8.755 average impact factor)
- Author or co-author of **56 scientific publications** in international journals
- Co-author of **3 scientific books**

- **Organizer or Co-organizer, as a member of the Organizing or Scientific Committee**, in over 60 national and international conferences, serving as **Chair** in more than 10 of them
- **Invited speaker** at more than 200 national and international conferences
- **Invited Chair** for lectures and roundtable discussions at over 150 national and international conferences
- **Oral and poster presentations** at more than 100 national and international conferences
- **Chair of the Organizing Committee for the Annual Panhellenic Conferences of HESMO** (2022, 2023, 2024), and the upcoming 2025 Conference, which will be held during the term of my Presidency of the Board of the Society

EDUCATION – SPECIALIZATION – RESEARCH

- 2012:** **Unpaid Scientific Collaborator at the University Pathology-Oncology Clinic, University General Hospital of Heraklion (PaGNI), Crete**, working on oncological research programs and postdoctoral researcher in the Cancer Biology Laboratory, Medical School, University of Crete (until 2014)
- 2010:** **Research Fellowship awarded by the Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology (HESMO)** for one year of post-graduating training abroad (protocol number: 2936/17-02-2011)
- 2010:** **Full-time paid postdoctoral research scientist at the Center for Human Genetics O&N1, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven**, and the Department of Digestive Oncology, University Hospital Gasthuisberg, Leuven, **Belgium** (1/12/2010 – 30/11/2011) under the **supervision of Professor Sabine Tejpar**
- 2007:** **Co-investigator in the Clinical Trials Unit, Department of Medical Oncology, University General Hospital of Heraklion (PaGNI)**, and **postdoctoral researcher at the Laboratory of Tumor Biology, Medical School, University of Crete**, from October 2007 to November 2010
- 2007:** **European Certification in Medical Oncology (ESMO Examination)** (September 2007 – 2012)
- 2007:** **Medical Oncology Specialty Certification – 6 years duration** (24/9/2007)
- 2007:** **Academic visitor at Oxford University** between February and June 2007, in the Medical Oncology Unit of Churchill and John Radcliffe Hospitals, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacology at Radcliffe Infirmary under the **supervision of Professor David J. Kerr**
- 2006:** **Training in Radiotherapy** as part of the Medical Oncology specialization at the Radiotherapy Clinic, University General Hospital of Heraklion (PaGNI) (1/12/2006-31/1/2007)
- 2003:** Began the **second three years of the Medical Oncology specialization at the University General Hospital of Heraklion (PaGNI)** (15/9/2003)
- 2002:** **Research Fellow at the Clinical Trials Unit, Pathology Oncology Clinic, University General Hospital of Heraklion (PaGNI)** (5/11/2002-14/9/2003).

- 2002:** **Ph.D.** awarded for the Thesis titled “Genetic analysis of microsatellite DNA sequence in skin cancer” – Medical School, University of Crete, 6/11/2002 – Grade: “Distinction”
- 2002:** **Completion of the first three years of the General Pathology specialization, including 6 months of Hematology** for the Medical Oncology specialization at the University General Hospital of Heraklion (PaGNI) (4/11/2002)
- 2001:** **Visiting researcher at the Genomic Instability Group of the Roy Castle International Center for Lung Cancer Research, Liverpool, UK** (20/10/2001 to 16/11/2001)
- 1999:** Began the **first three years of the General Pathology specialization, including 6 months of Hematology for the Medical Oncology specialization** (3/11/1999) at the University General Hospital of Heraklion (PaGNI) (**total duration of Medical Oncology specialization: 6 years**)
- 1997:** Commenced **rural medical service**
- 1997:** Approval by the Assembly of the Medical School, University of Crete (18/12/1997), **to conduct a PhD dissertation titled “Genetic analysis of microsatellite DNA sequence in cutaneous neoplastic lesions”**
- 1997:** **Medical degree from the University of Crete** with a grade of 8.01/10 – duration of studies: 6 years
- 1996:** **Three-month undergraduate clinical activity through the ERASMUS exchange program** at the Pediatric Clinic, Hôpital Universitaire des Enfants "Reine Fabiola", Université Libre de Bruxelles, Faculté de Médecine (**Belgium**)
- 1994:** **Three-month undergraduate clinical activity through the ERASMUS exchange program** at the Pulmonology Clinic, Hôpital Civil de Strasbourg, Université Louis-Pasteur, Faculté de Médecine de Strasbourg (**France**)
- 1991:** **Admitted to the Medical School of the University of Crete** (numerous clausus) through national examinations
- 1990:** **High school diploma** from a Greek General High School (Grade: 19.5/20)