

Forty Years of Neurodegenerative Research in Thessaloniki 13 September 2023



Aristotle University Research Dissemination Center (KEDEA)

Meeting Program

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	Coordinator: Konstantinos Xanthopoulos
10:00-10:15	Efstratios Stylianidis, Vice Rector for Research and Lifelong Learning, Professor, School of Spatial
	Planning and Development, Faculty of Engineering, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
	Theodoros Dardavesis , Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences, Professor, School of Medicine,
	Faculty of Health Sciences, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
	Kyriakos Kachrimanis , Chair of the School of Pharmacy, Professor, School of Pharmacy, Faculty of Health Sciences, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
	Chairs: Konstantinos Xanthopoulos and Christos Panagiotidis
10:15-10:45	Hermann Schätzl, Associate Dean Research and Professor of Prion Biology and Immunology,
	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada
	Title: How sunny islands and snowy mountains shaped the development of anti-prion strategies.
10:45-11:15	Magdalini Polymenidou, Associate Professor for Biomedicine, Department of Quantitative
	Biomedicine, University of Zurich, Switzerland
	Title: The role of TDP-43 in neurodegenerative diseases
11:15-11:45	Spyros Petrakis, Researcher, Institute of Applied Biosciences, CERTH, Greece
	Title: Development of therapeutic strategies and cell models for human neurodegenerative
	diseases
11:45-12:15	Chairs: Eirini Kanata and Aggelos Kannelis
	Evgenia Salta, Group leader, Laboratory of Neurogenesis & Neurodegeneration, NIN
	Amsterdam, Netherlands
	Title: From Thessaloniki to Amsterdam: A journey of unexpected events and findings (zoom
12:15-12:45	session)
	Nina Papavasiliou , Professor, Division of Immune Diversity, German Cancer Research Center, Heidelberg, Germany
	Title: There and Back Again: a career at the conceptual cutting edge of science (zoom session)
12:45-13:15	Vasileios Petrou, Assistant Professor and Chancellor Scholar, Department of Microbiology,
	Biochemistry & Molecular Genetics, Rutgers New Jersey Medical School
	Title: Tales of structural biology from New York and New Jersey (zoom session)
13:15-14:15	Coffee Break
14:15-14:35	Chair: Dimitra Dafou and Nikolaos Grigoriadis
	Konstantinos Xanthopoulos, Associate Professor, School of Pharmacy, Aristotle University of
	Thessaloniki
	Title: From Trypanosomes to plant extracts: Exploring novel therapeutic approaches in Prion
	diseases
14:35-14:55	Eirini Kanata , Senior Researcher, School of Pharmacy, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
	Title: RNA editing in Prion disorders
14:55-15:10	Ruth Gabizon, Professor, School of Medicine-Researchers-Hadassah Medical Center, Israel
	Title: The making of a smart food supplement: Bridging nature and science for the prevention of neurodegenerative diseases (zoom session)
15:10-16:10	Brief salutations from old friends
16:10-17:00	Theodoros Sklaviadis, Professor, School of Pharmacy, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
	Title: Wine(byproducts) to combat neurodegenerative diseases
17:00-19:00	Wine Reception

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