



CURRICULUM VITAE

Name and Title

Dr Sofia Chatzikyriakou, MD, Ph.D
Cardiologist- Electrophysiologist

Specialty

Cardiology and Electrophysiology

Place of work & Position

Metropolitan General Hospital
Director of Electrophysiology and Pacing Department

Education

09/1998- 07/2004 Degree (Ptychio) in Medicine, Hellenic Republic, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece. Grade: “Excellent 8.96”

03/2005- 02/2006 Rural general practitioner at Sikorrhachi, Alexandroupolis, Greece

10/2005- 02/2009 Doctorate- Thesis at Cardiology Department of Medical School of Democritus University of Thrace, Alexandroupolis, Greece

08/05/2009- 03/01/2011 Trainee in internal medicine at General Hospital Asklepieion Voula, Greece

18/04/2011- 17/04/2015 Trainee in cardiology at Onassis Cardiac Surgery Centre, Athens, Greece

08/2014 Certified in transthoracic echocardiography by the European Association of Cardiovascular Imaging (EACVI) of the European Society of Cardiology

06/2015 Successfully passed the European exams in General Cardiology by the European Society of Cardiology

27/07/2015 Successfully passed the national board exams in cardiology and acquired medical license in the specialty of cardiology in Greece

11/01/2016- 30/06/2017 Fellow in clinical and interventional electrophysiology in OLV Hospital, Aalst, Belgium

10/2016 Authorized medical license in the specialty of Cardiology in Belgium. INAMI 1-82074-92-730

07/2017 EHRA (European Heart Rhythm Association) certified electrophysiologist specialist Level 1

09/2018 EHRA certified electrophysiology specialist Level 2

Professional experience

01/07/2017- 30/04/2019 Cardiologist- electrophysiologist in Erasme Hospital ULB (Universite Libre de Bruxelles)

01/05/2019- 01/05/2022 Cardiologist- electrophysiologist at Clinic Saint Jean, Brussels

18/08/2022 till today Private cardiology office

01/06/2022 έως 31/05/2024 Deputy director of the Electrophysiology and Pacing Department at Metropolitan General Hospital, Athens

01/06/2024 till today Director of the Electrophysiology and Pacing Department at Metropolitan General Hospital, Athens

Scientific/ Clinical interest

Extensive clinical experience in cardiac diseases, urgent and non-urgent, with special emphasis on arrhythmias and their diagnosis and treatment with simple and complex interventions (electrophysiological study, ablation of supraventricular and ventricular arrhythmias, isolation of pulmonary veins, pacemaker and defibrillator implantation- single chamber, double chambers, biventricular-, conduction system pacing and left atrial appendage occlusion)

Publications/ Research

- **08/1999- 09/1999:** Student fellow at the immunology and infectious diseases laboratory at Abramson Research Centre of the Children Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA
- **10/2005- 02/2009:** Thesis “Study of the collagen type I metabolism peptides in chronic heart failure patients” at Cardiology Department of Medical School of Democritus University of Thrace in Greece.
- **2005 until now:** Participated as a speaker at medical courses, multicenter trials, research projects and clinical studies at Cardiology Department of Medical School of Democritus University of Thrace, at Cardiology Department of Onassis Cardiac Surgery Centre, at Arrhythmia Unit of OLV Hospital in Aalst in Belgium, at the Cardiology Department of

Erasme Hospital in Brussels, at the Cardiology department of the Clinic Saint Jean in Brussels, in Belgium and at Metropolitan General Hospital

- Attending numerous medical congresses, presenting oral presentations (10), posters (43) and as invited speaker (16)
- Publications in international journals (22) at Pubmed and writer of a book chapter at General Methods in Biomarker Research and their Applications ISBN 978-94-007-7740-8

Honors & awards

Scholarships

- Scholarships and prizes of Good Standing from the Public Scholarships Foundation in Greece for the five of six academic years of Medical Studies
- **01/01/2016- 31/12/2016** Fellowship Grant in electrophysiology from the Hellenic Society of Cardiology
- Grants from the Onassis Foundation to participate in seminars- lectures during medical studies
- Grants from the European Heart Rhythm Association to participate at the EHRA congresses

Prizes

- 2000- 2017 Five prizes for scientific work in panhellenic and international congresses.
- 06/2017 Best case presentation for the EHRA Young EP clinical cases session at EHRA Europace- Cardiostim 2017 Congress, Vienna

Memberships

- 2011 Greek Ambassador of the Club 35 of the European Echocardiography Association
- Member of the medical council of Athens
- Member of the Hellenic Society of Cardiology
- Member of the Belgian Society of Cardiology till 2023
- Member of the Belgian Heart Rhythm Association till 2023
- Member of the European Society of Cardiology
- Member of the European Heart Rhythm Association

Languages

Greek (mother language), french and english fluently, dutch level A2

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