

*Laboratory of Biological Chemistry
University of Ioannina Medical School*

1 *Cell Signaling & Membrane Trafficking*

T. Fotsis

Professor, 1996 (IBEI/ITE)

3 *Oxidative Stress Signaling*

D. Galaris

Professor, 1990

7 *Thymosins...*

M. Frangou

Associate Professor, 1984

4 *Histone chaperones &
Chromatin Remodeling*

T. Papamarcaki

Associate Professor, 1991 (IBEI/ITE)

6 *Active Transport Machines*

S. Frillingos

Associate Professor, 2000

5 *Order and Disorder in Chromatin Proteins*

A. Politou

Assistant Professor, 2001 (IBEI/ITE)

2 *Membrane Trafficking & Signaling*

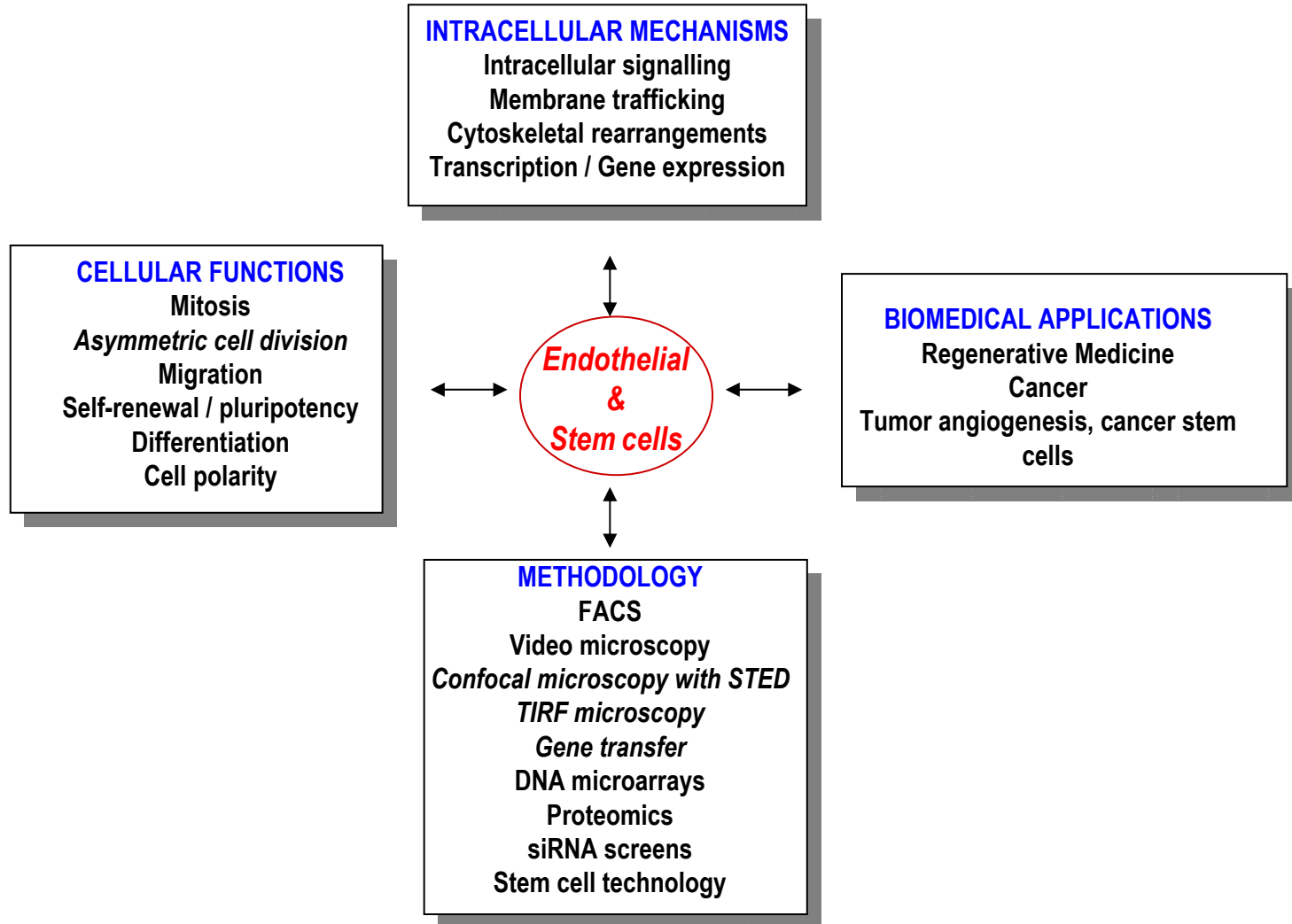
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Assistant Professor, 2001 (IBEI/ITE)

T. Fotsis

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Cell Signaling and Membrane Trafficking: the VEGF and TGF β family cascades



T. Fotsis

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Cell Signaling and Membrane Trafficking: the VEGF and TGF β family cascades

PEOPLE

Independent Researcher 1
Post-doctoral 4
PhD Students 3
Technician 1

Ph.D 6, M.Sc 6, B.Sc 3

*Endothelial
&
Stem cells*

<2000-2010



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*Cancer Res (n=3)
Oncogene
JBC (2002)
Eur J Bioch
Eur J Cell Biol.
Am J Physiol..(2009)
Cancer Invest
Cancer
BMC Cancer
J Steroid Bioch
Mol Nutr Food Res
FEBS J (2009)*

GRANTS

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PYTH05
HRA02
HUM NETWORKS
PENED01
EC-FP5 (3)
PENED99

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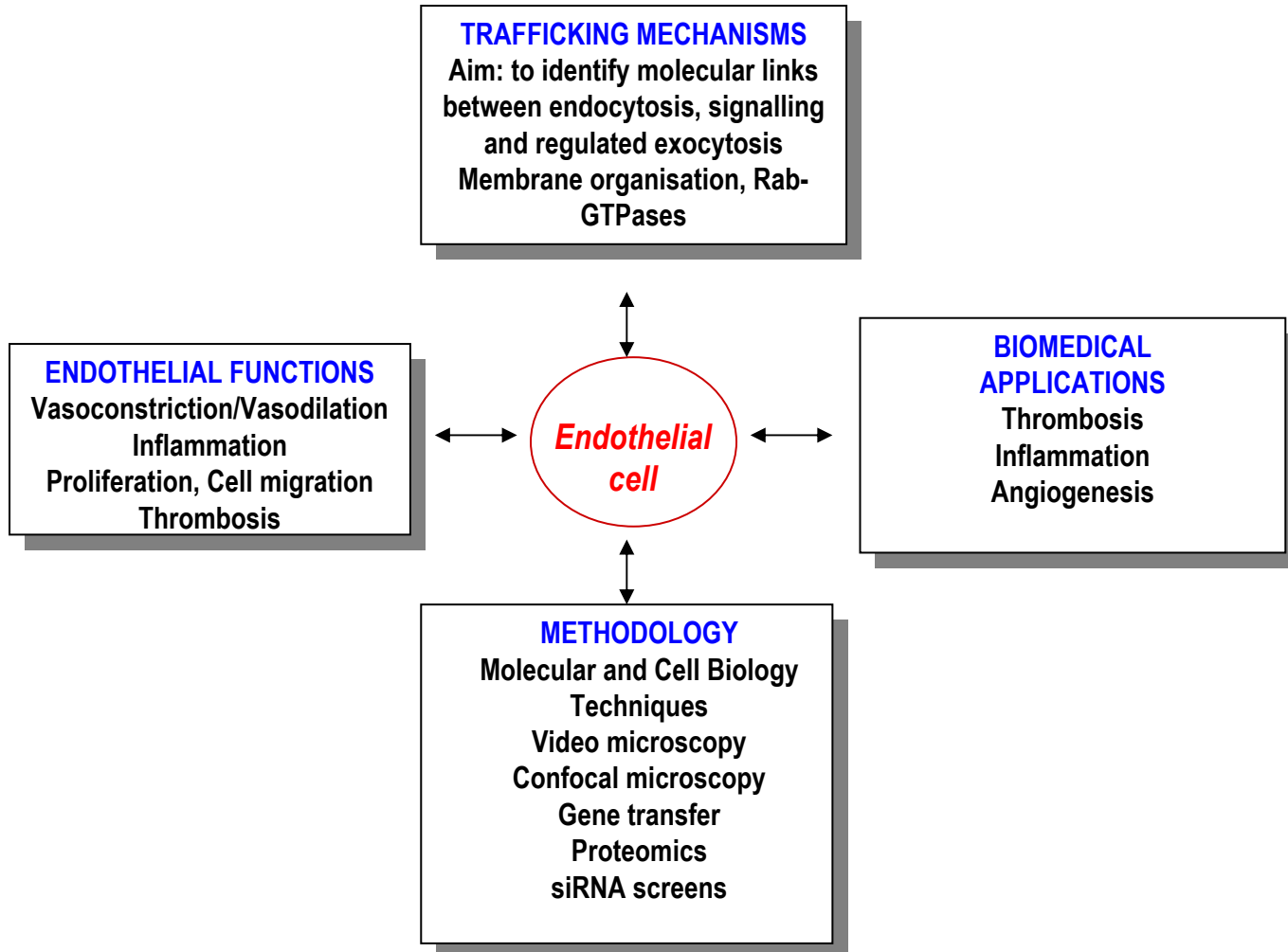
THEMES

VEGF signalling in angiogenesis
VEGF signalling in hemangioblast
differentiation
TGF β signalling in hES/hiPS cells
(pluripotency/differentiation)
TGF β signalling, cell polarity and
asymmetric cell division
Small GTPases in endosome dynamics
and cell signalling
Molecular mechanisms of the action of
phytochemicals (flavonoids)

S. Christoforidis

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Membrane Trafficking & Signaling

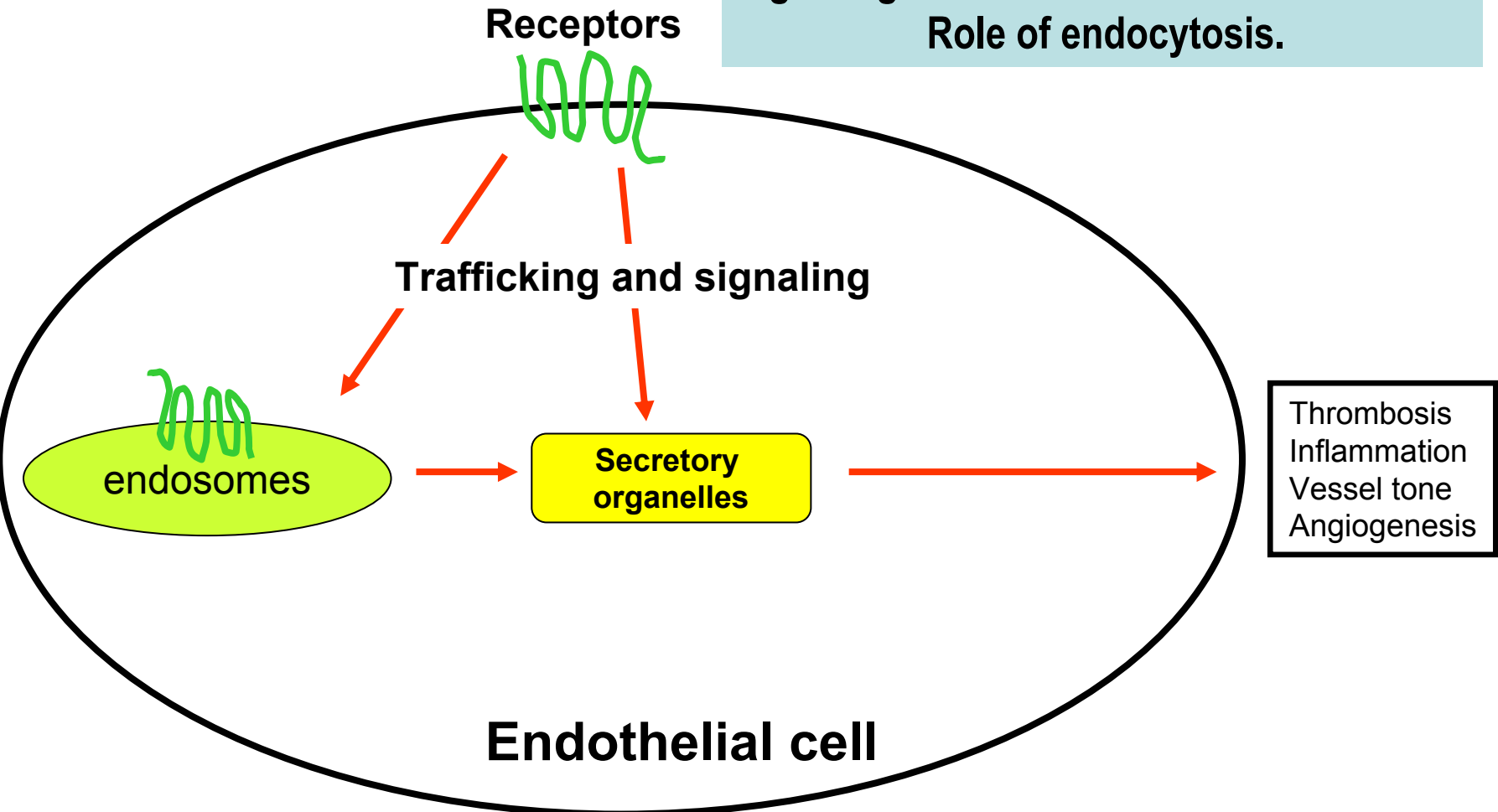


S. Christoforidis

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Membrane Trafficking & Signaling

Signaling for secretion in endothelial cells.
Role of endocytosis.



S. Christoforidis

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Membrane Trafficking & Signaling

*Endothelial
cell*

PEOPLE

PhD Students 2
MSc Student 1
Technician 1

Ph.D 1, M.Sc 1, B.Sc 3

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JBC (2005)
Cell, Nature
PLoS Biol
J Cell Biol.
Proteomics
Methods
Mol Memb Biol (2010)
Bioch Pharm (2009)

2001-2010



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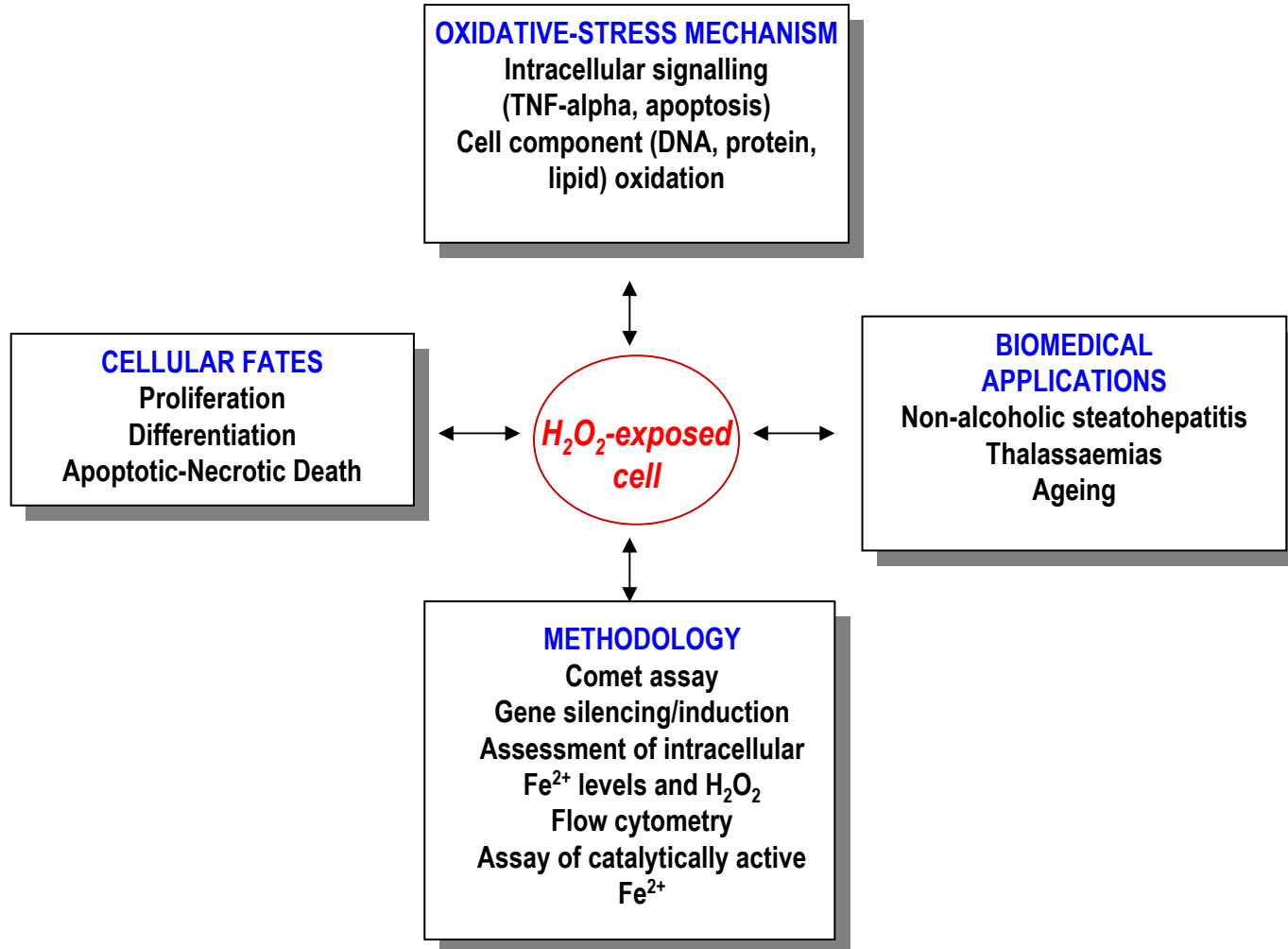
THEMES

Importance of endothelium in
thrombosis and inflammation
Role of endosomal trafficking in
endothelial cells, connection
with signal transduction mech.
Role of rafts/caveolae in endothelial
purinergic receptor signalling

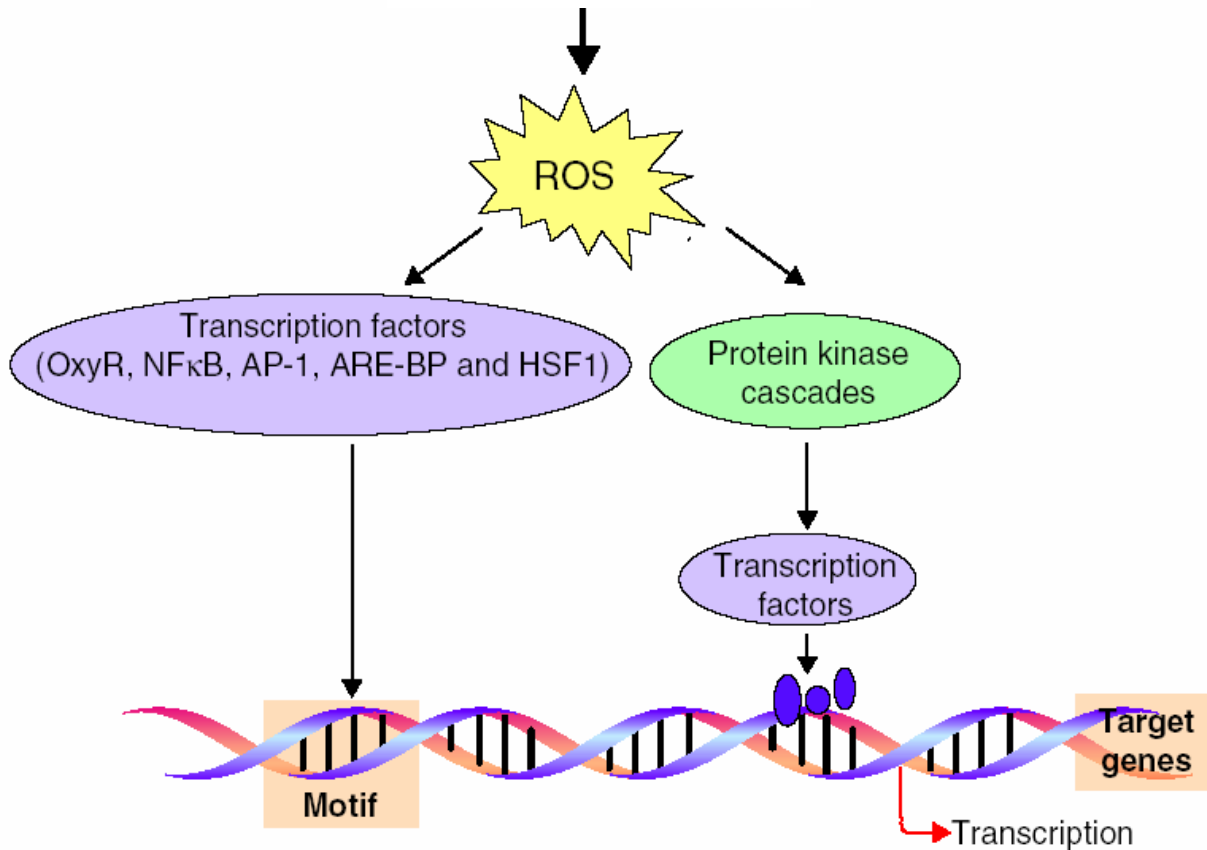
D. Galaris

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Free Radical and Oxidative Stress



Free Radical and Oxidative Stress



D. Galaris

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Free Radical and Oxidative Stress

PEOPLE

Post-doctoral 2
PhD Students 3

Ph.D 4, B.Sc 6

*H₂O₂-exposed
cell*

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Free Rad Biol Med (7)
Free Rad Res (n=3)
Biochem J (n=2)
J Med Chem
Curr Pharm Des
Free Rad Res(2008)
Cancer Lett (2008)
Hormones (2008)
Exp Gerontol
Am J Kidney Dis
Int J Cardiol
Int J Surg (2007)
J Biomed Opt (2008)

GRANTS

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PYTH05 (2)
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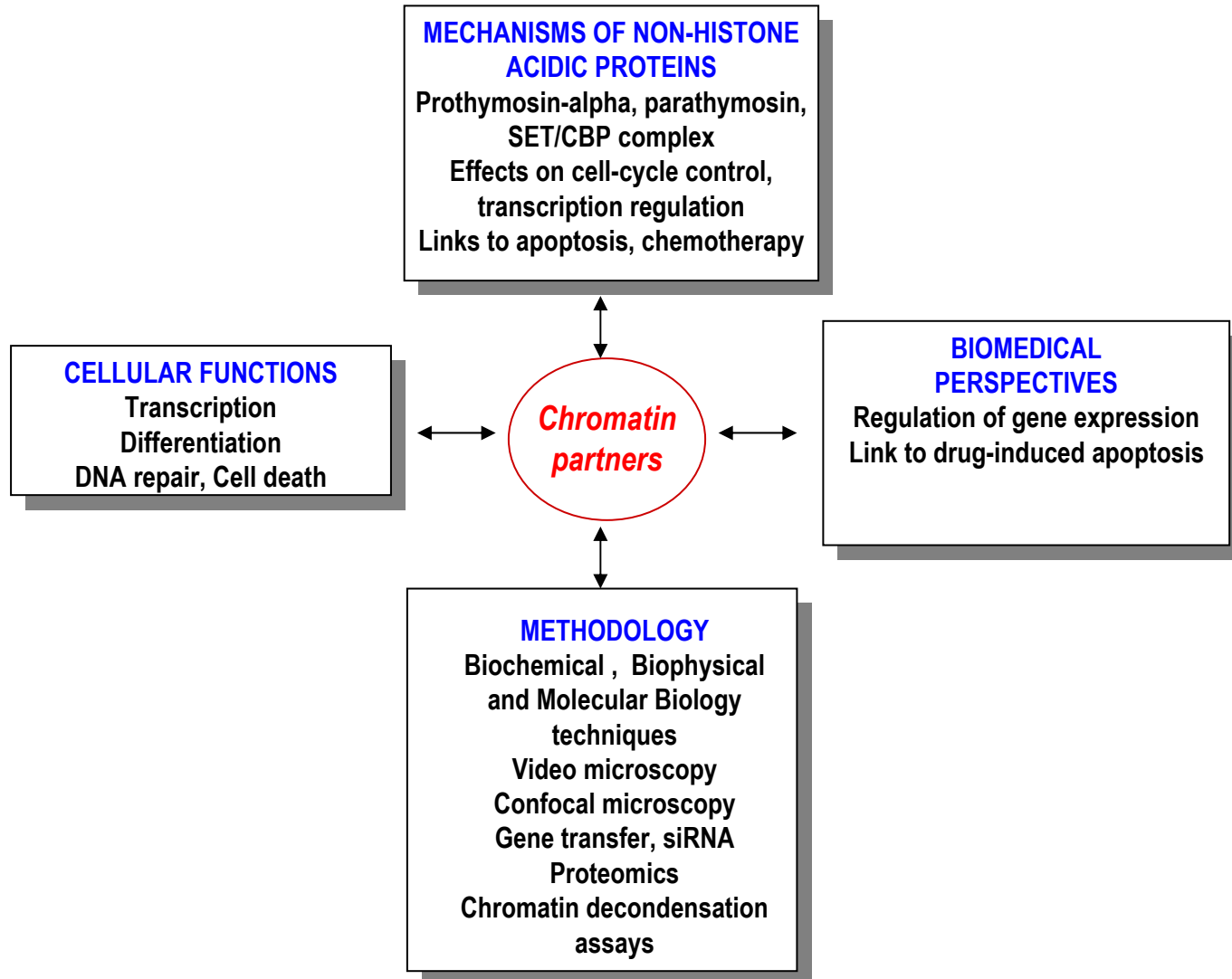
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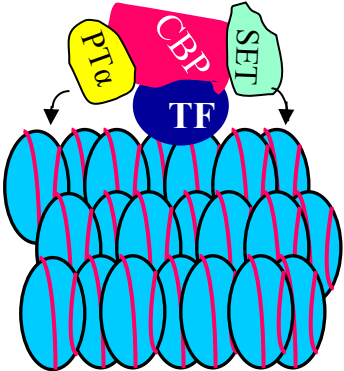
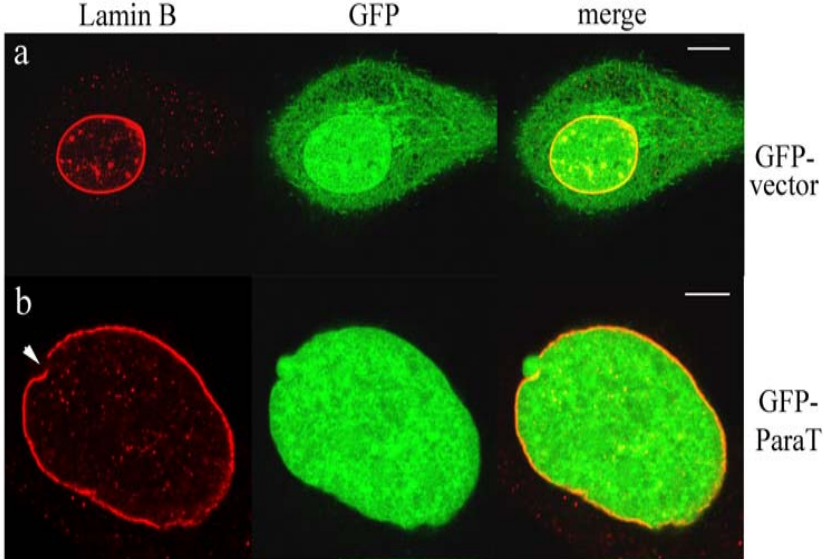
Role of H₂O₂ and catalytically active Fe²⁺ in apoptotic and in TNF-alpha signalling
Assaying catalytically active Fe²⁺ in cells with flow cytometry
Effects of bioreactive substances on intracellular Fe²⁺ homeostasis
Oxidative stress & Fe²⁺ homeostasis in non-alcoholic steatohepatitis

Histone Chaperones and Chromatin Remodeling

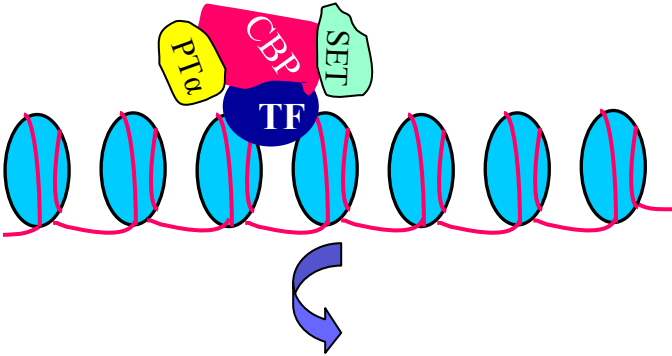


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Histone Chaperones and Chromatin Remodeling



→
chromatin decondensation



**Transcription, replication
DNA repair and apoptosis**

Histone Chaperones and Chromatin Remodeling

*Chromatin
partners*

PEOPLE

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Undergraduate 1

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Inst. Pasteur, F. Gounari, USA, G.
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*EMBO Reports
JBC (2005)
FEBS Lett
BBRC
BMC-Bioch (2009)
JBC
BBA (2008)
JMB (2009)*

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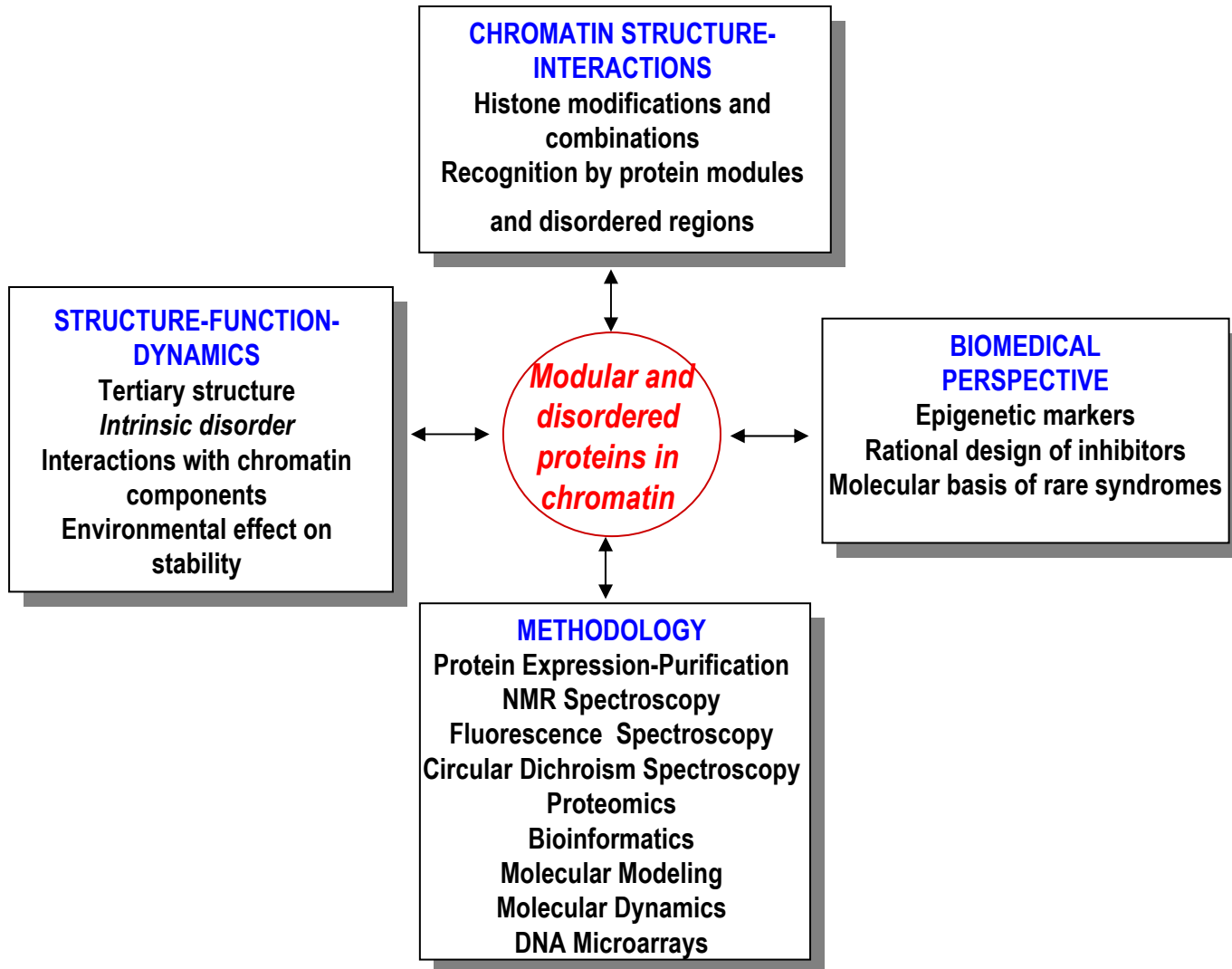
PYTH05 (2)
PENED99 (2)

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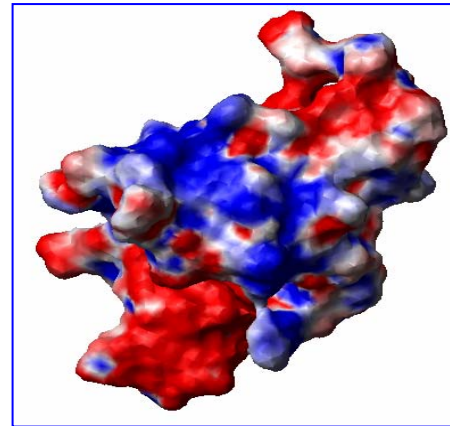
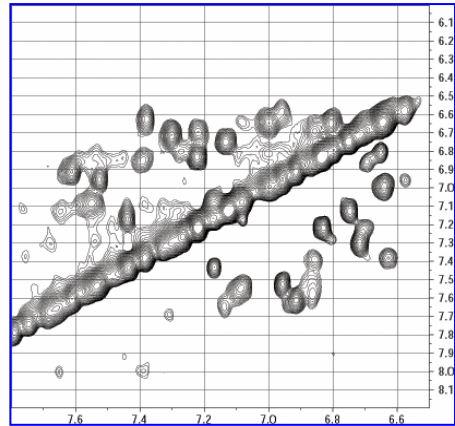
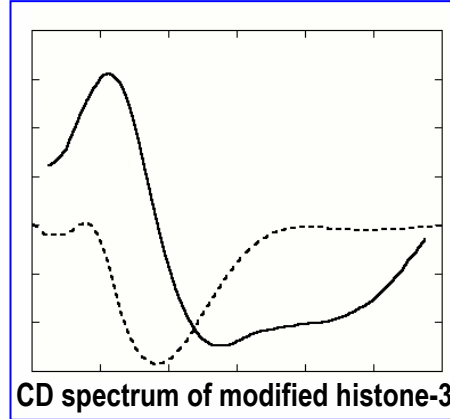
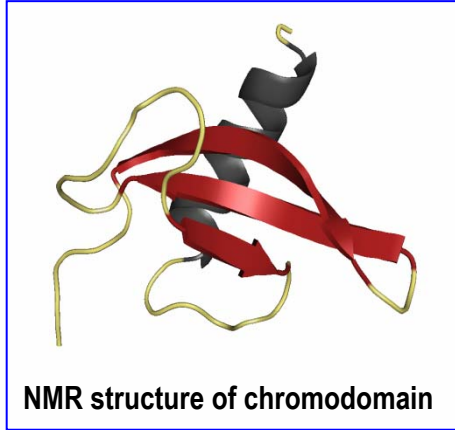
Protein-protein interactions & role of
histone chaperones in chromatin
remodeling
Connection of chromatin remodellers
with cancer cell apoptosis
related to chemotherapy
Histone chaperons in ontogenetic
models (*zebrafish*)

Order and disorder in chromatin proteins



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Order and disorder in chromatin proteins



2D-NMR spectrum of TUDOR domain

Electrostatic surface
of dMi-2 chromodomain

Order and disorder in chromatin proteins

PEOPLE

Post-doctoral 2
MSc Students 1
Undergraduate 1

Post-doc 1, PhD 3, MSc 1, BSc 4

*Modular and
disordered
proteins in
chromatin*

2002-2010



GRANTS

Greece-Pol06
PENED03 (2)
PYTH05 (3)
EPAN03
HRA02
IKYDA(Germ)04
RoyalSoc03

300,000

20,000

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JMB (2004)
BMC-Bioch (2009)
EMBO J
FASEB J
JBC (n=3)
Hum Mol Gen
Biochemistry
Biopolymers
Mol Gen Metab
Front Biosc (2009)
J Cell Sci (2009)
JACS (2009)

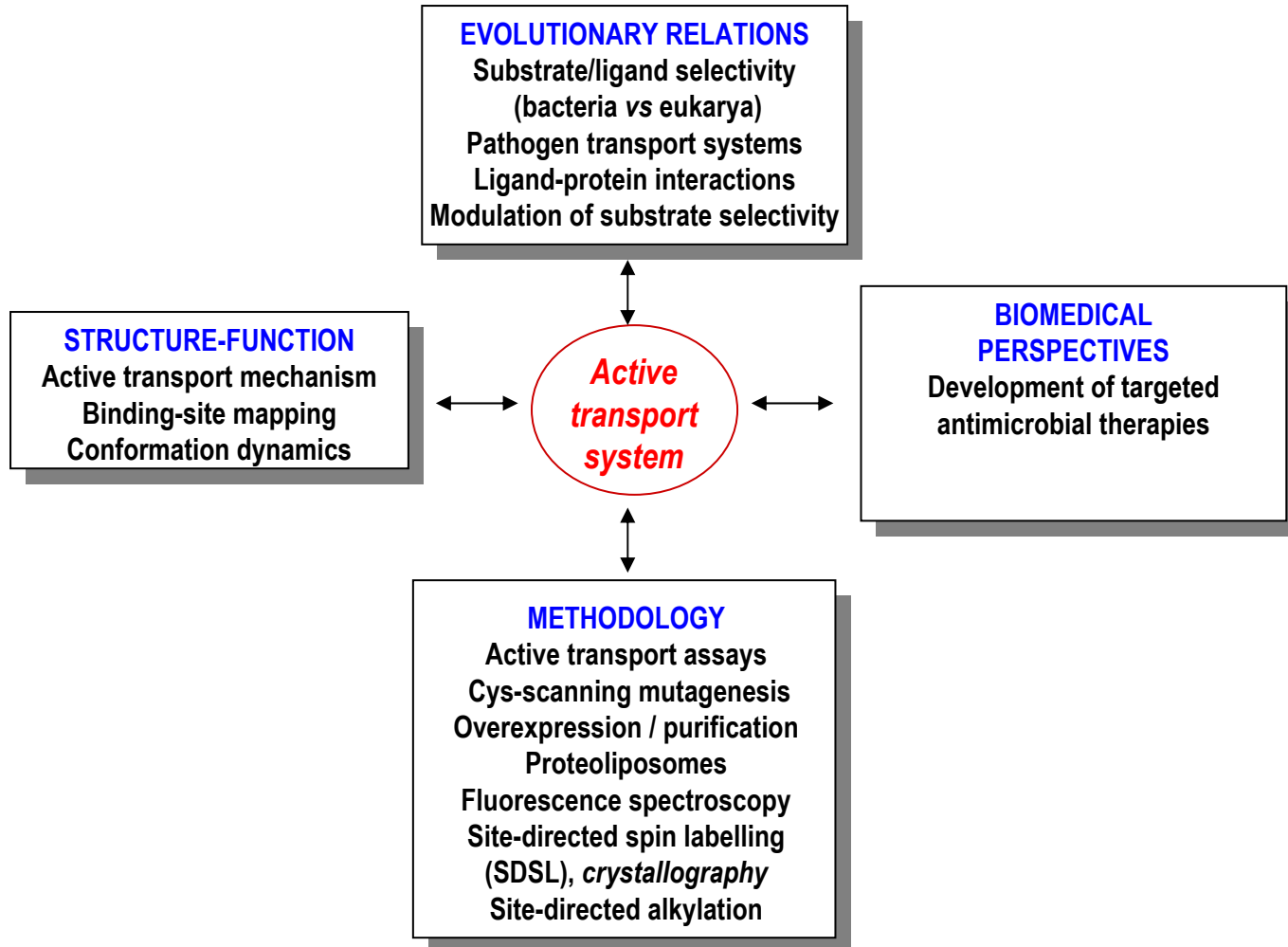
THEMES

Structure-function of proteins and domains involved in chromatin remodelling & gene regulation (chromodomains, TUDOR domains, modified histones)
Conformation dynamics/stability of biomolecules
Spectroscopic structure-analysis of macromolecules/complexes
Expression profiling of chromatin-related proteins

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S. Frillingos

Active Transport Machines

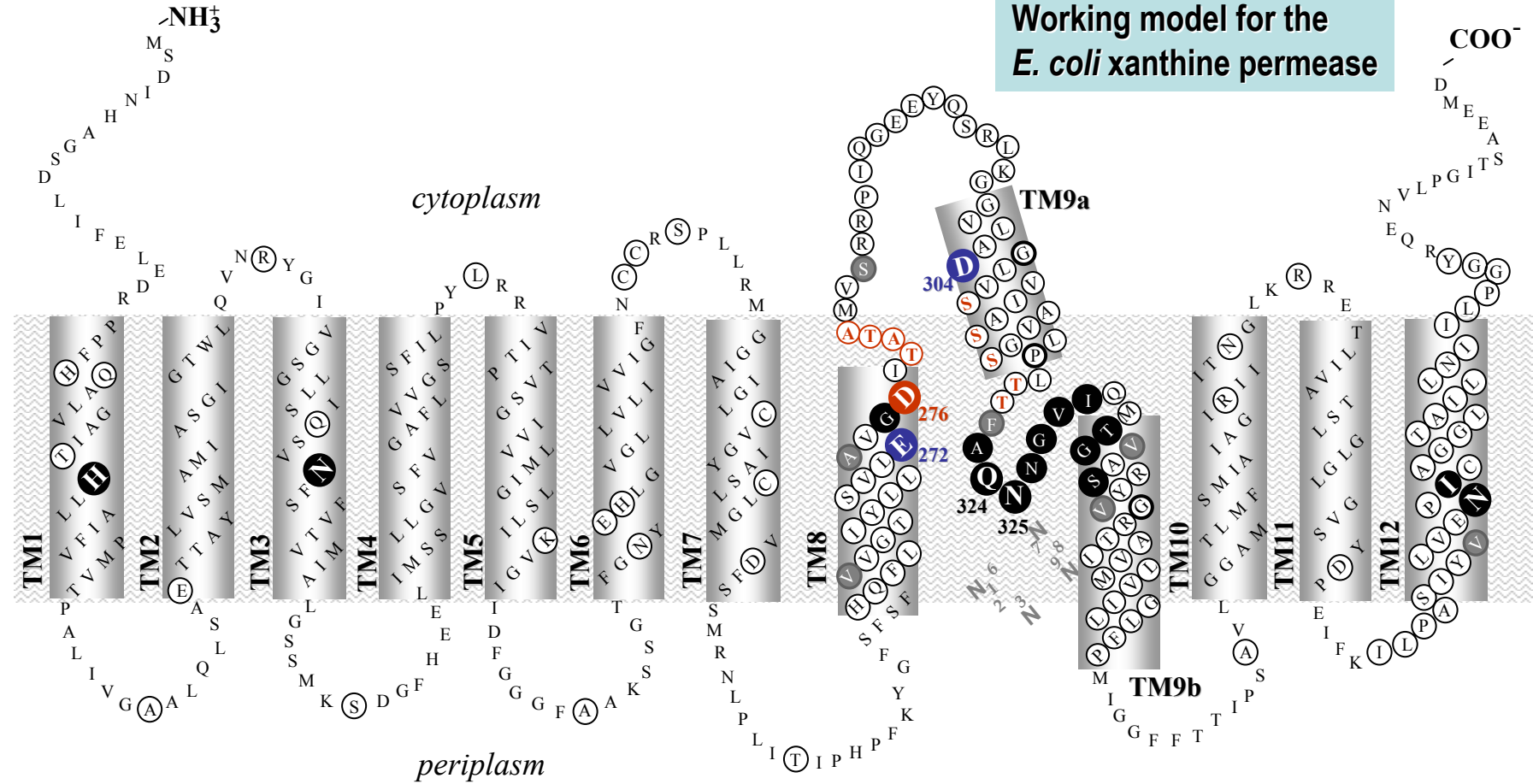


S. Frilingos

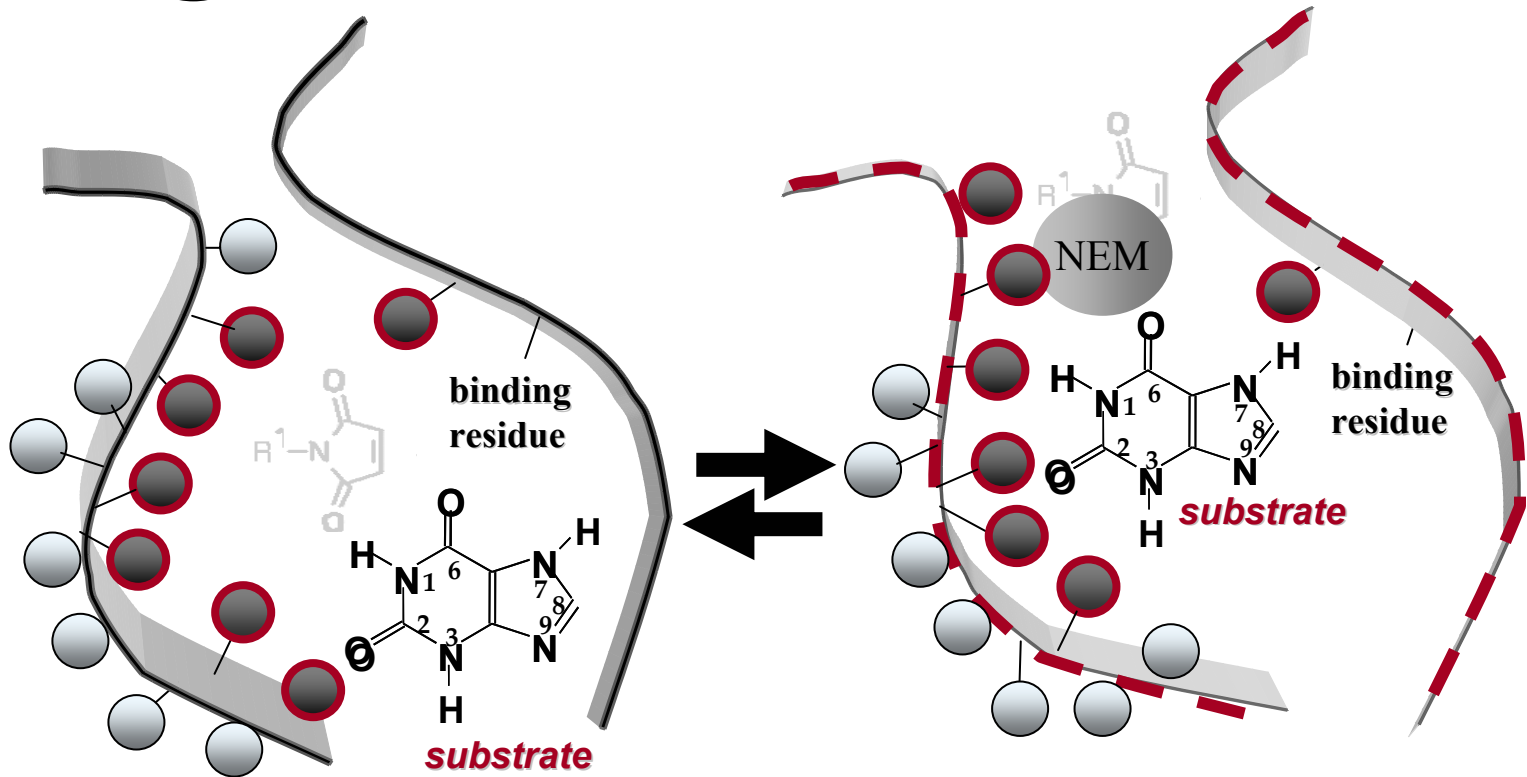
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Active Transport Machines

Working model for the
E. coli xanthine permease



Active Transport Machines



S. Frillingos

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Active Transport Machines

Active
transport
system

2002-2010



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Undergraduate 1

Ph.D 2, M.Sc 4, B.Sc 7

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JBC (n=4)
Mol Membr Biol (2)
JMB (2008)
JBC (2009)
JBC (2010)
PNAS (2007)
Fungal Gen Biol
Biochemistry
Prot Exp Purif(2009)

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THEMES

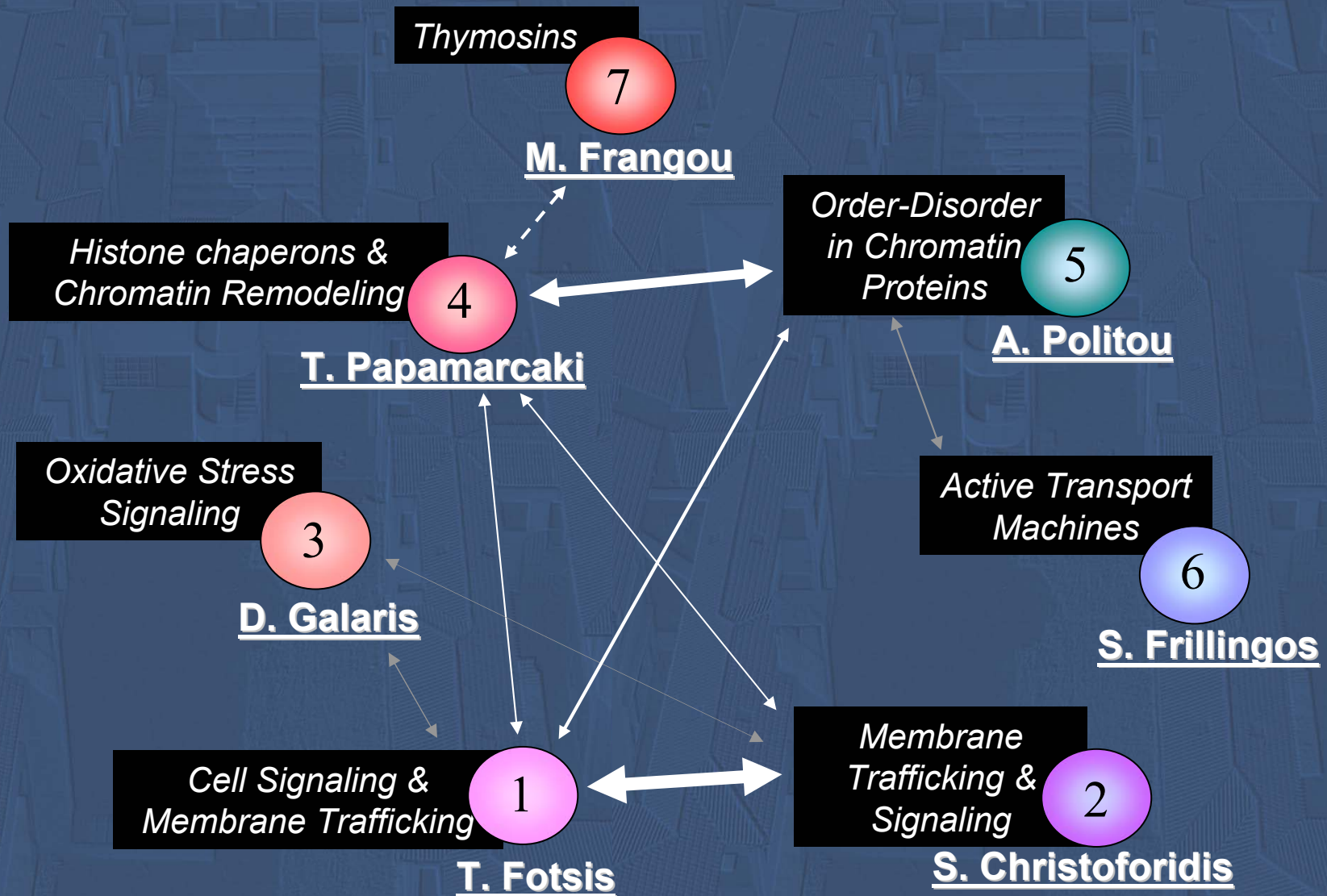
Structure-function analysis of the
Nucleobase/Ascorbate (NAT)
transporter family (purines)
Lactose permease (LacY)
mechanistic homologues
Pathogenic fungal transporters
Neurotransmitter amino-acid
transporter (SERT) homologue

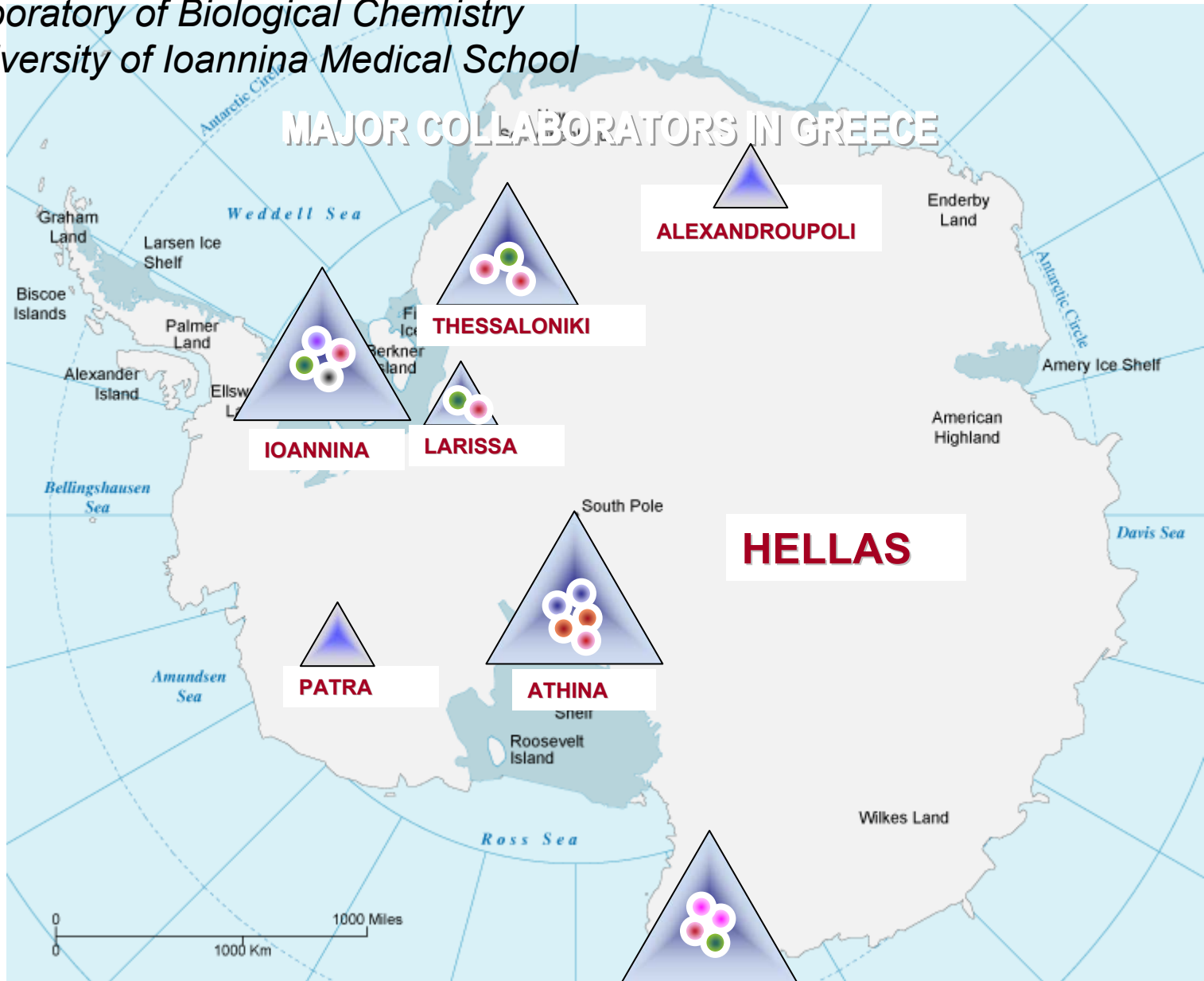
PUBLISHED OUTPUT

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ASSIMILATED INPUT (2000-10)

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