



Academic Personnel Short Profile / Short CV

University:	University of Nicosia
Surname:	Christofidou
Name:	Maria
Rank/Position:	Adjunct Lecturer
Faculty:	Life and Health Sciences
Department:	Life Sciences
Scientific Domain: *	Biological Sciences and Genetics

** Field of Specialization*

Academic qualifications (list by highest qualification)				
Qualification	Year	Awarding Institution	Department	Thesis title (Optional Entry)
PhD	2010	University of Manchester, UK	Epidemiology and Health Sciences Department	"Genetic Basis of Childhood Eczema: Investigation of Candidate Genes"
MSc	2005	University of Glasgow, UK	Section of Medical Genetics Division of Developmental Medicine Faculty of Medicine	
BSc	2004	Northumbria University, UK		



Employment history in Academic Institutions/Research Centers – List by the three (3) most recent

Period of employment		Employer	Location	Position
From	To			
October 2013	Present	University of Nicosia Medical School	Cyprus	PBL Tutor
October 2011	Present	University of Nicosia	Cyprus	Adjunct Lecturer
May 2011	March 2016	The Mediterranean Center for Cancer Research	Cyprus	Research Affiliate
February 2009	May 2009	University of Manchester	UK	Laboratory Demonstrator

Key <u>refereed</u> journal papers, monographs, books, conference publications etc. List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected –(max total 10)						
Ref. Number	Year	Title	Other authors	Journal and Publisher / Conference	Vol.	Pages
1	2024	Exploring the Dynamic Relationship between the Gut Microbiome and Body Composition across the Human Lifespan: A Systematic Review	Komodromou, I.; Andreou, E.; Vlahoyiannis, A.; Christofidou, M.; Felekkis, K.; Pieri, M.; Giannaki, C.D.	Nutrients	16	660
2	2023	Detection of SARS-CoV-2-Specific Antibodies in Human Breast Milk and Their Neutralizing Capacity after COVID-19 Vaccination: A Systematic Review.	Nicolaidou V, Georgiou R, Christofidou M, Felekkis K, Pieri M, Papaneophytou C	Int J Mol Sci.	24(3)	2957
3	2019	Effects of orange and fresh orange juice to plasma glucose, triglycerides, Cholesterol, insulin responses and hba1c. An acute postprandial study.	Andreou E, Ioannou E, Stavrou N, Christofidou M, Christoforou C, Georgaki E	41 st ESPEN Congress on Clinical Nutrition and Metabolism		

Research Projects. List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected (max total 10)				
Ref. Number	Date	Title	Funded by	Project Role*
1	October 2022 - present	Investigation of the computer literacy of students in the Life and Health Sciences	N/A	Scientific/Project Coordinator
2	October 2020 - present	Investigation of the types and uses of health data databases in Cyprus hospitals	N/A	Scientific/Project Coordinator
3	March 2020 - present	The association between maternal folic acid supplementation and risk of childhood leukaemia: A systematic review focusing on the potential role of nutritional epigenetics	N/A	Scientific/Project Coordinator
4	October 2018 - present	Investigation of the impact of the socioeconomic status on treatment and overall survival of children with cancer.	N/A	Scientific/Project Coordinator
5	01/01/06 - 31/12/09	Genetic Basis of Childhood Eczema: Investigation of Candidate Genes	MRC	PhD Student

*Project Role: i.e. Scientific/Project Coordinator, Research Team Member, Researcher, Assistant Researcher, other

**Academic Consulting Services and/or Participation in Councils / Boards/ Editorial Committees.
List the five (5) more recent (Optional Entry)**

Ref. Number	Period	Organization	Title of Position or Service	Key Activities
1	07/24 - Present	HRDA	Certified Vocational Training Instructor (HRDA)	Trainer and consultant for adult educators. I deliver the program "Certification of Vocational Training Trainers SEP/CYQF/EQF5 – Path 1"
2	02/19 - Present	βίος-Society of Biological Sciences in Cyprus	Member	Founding member of the Society. I was involved in the organization of the 1 st βίος-SBSC National Conference in October 2022
3	03/13 - 06/25	"One Dream, One Wish" ("Ένα Όνειρο Μια Ευχή"), the Cyprus association for children with cancer and related diseases	Member of the Board of Directors	Represent the foundation in events and talks, where I get the chance to talk about the volunteer work and the foundation's actions. Involved in the organization and running of various fundraising events.
4	05/06 - 07/17	European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology	Junior member	