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Current job description

- Assistant Professor of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine
- Senior Virologist at the National Retrovirus Reference Center, Medical School University of Athens, responsible for HIV drug resistance testing, HBV-DNA (ISO 15189:2007), HBV-genotyping, HLA-B*5701 testing, HCV-genotyping and HIV-DNA.
- Primary investigator at the Department of Hygiene Epidemiology and Medical Statistics, Medical School University of Athens involved in the fields of molecular epidemiology, molecular diagnostics and drug resistance of viruses

Why do you want to be a board member?

- To look for potential funding
- To further promote and strengthen collaborations among the ESAR members
- To work towards translating research findings in the field of molecular epidemiology into practical guidelines
- Up to date, ESAR has collected a large number of data across Europe. My intension is to build working groups of young investigators among ESAR members and to prepare new research proposals related to resistance studies and applications to Public Health

What is your contribution to ESAR?

- Contributing data since 2002
- Participating in meetings and conference calls
- Member of the scientific committee of the European HIV & Hepatitis Meeting since 2003
- Primary investigator of several studies related to the global and European HIV dispersal (phylogeographic studies)
- Participating in research protocols
- Participating in guideline panels
- Presenting ESAR collaborative studies at scientific conferences
- Analyzing data as part of the ESAR collaborative studies
- Promoting ESAR collaboration to national meetings

What is your vision for ESAR?

- To continue this active collaboration through opening new research avenues
- To try to get the most of the existing experience among the ESAR members and the data
- To continue the guidelines panel