

Curriculum Vitae (3 pages)

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EDUCATION/TRAINING (starting from most recent)

- **2001-2005:** Postdoctoral Research Fellow with Prof. Janet Rossant, Samuel Lunenfeld Research Institute (Canada).
- **2000-2001:** MRC Postdoctoral Research Fellow, with Prof. Stephen Charnock-Jones and Prof. Stephen Smith, Pathology Dept., University of Cambridge (UK).
- **1996-2000:** Wellcome Trust Postdoctoral Research Fellow with Prof. Anne Ferguson-Smith and Prof. Graham Burton, Anatomy Dept., University of Cambridge (UK).
- **1992-1996:** Wellcome Trust Prize PhD student obtaining a **PhD** in 'Developmental Biology', Molecular Pathology Dept., with Prof. Paul Brickell, UCL, University of London (UK).
- **1988-91:** Undergraduate student obtaining a **BSc (Hons) Degree** (2:1) in 'Molecular Biology', Queen Mary, University of London (UK).

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR APPOINTMENTS (starting from most recent)

- **2013-today:** Associate Professor and Head of the 'Embryology and Stem Cell Lab', Department of Biological Sciences, University of Cyprus (Cyprus).
- **2005-2013:** Assistant Professor and Head of the 'Embryology and Stem Cell Lab', Department of Biological Sciences, University of Cyprus (Cyprus).

SELECTED AWARDS (starting from most recent)

- **2010-2013:** 'Research grant award' (105,000 Euros), 'Research Promotion Foundation', (PENEK/0609/90), **Cyprus**.
- **2010-2012:** 'Research grant award' (80,000 Euros), 'Research Promotion Foundation', (PENEK/0609/89), **Cyprus**.
- **2010-2012:** 'Research grant award' (90,000 Euros), 'University of Cyprus research body', (Code: Ets2), **Cyprus**.
- **2006-2007:** 'Equipment Start-up fund award' (256,000 Euros), 'University of Cyprus', **Cyprus**.
- **2001-2004:** 'Postdoctoral Research Fellowship', Samuel Lunenfeld Research Institute, **Canada**.
- **2000-2001:** 'MRC Postdoctoral Research Fellowship', University of Cambridge, **UK**.
- **1996-2000:** 'Wellcome Trust Postdoctoral Fellowship', University of Cambridge, **UK**.
- **1992-1995:** 'Wellcome Trust Prize PhD studentship', UCL University of London, **UK**.
- **1993-1995:** 'The A.G. Leventis Foundation Postgraduate Scholarship', UCL University of London, **UK**.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Research in my Lab uses embryos and embryo-derived stem cells from mice to study mammalian development. We are currently **focused on** understanding the genetic and cellular basis of: (a) extraembryonic tissue development (main focus on trophoblast and placenta) and (b) the influences of early extraembryonic tissues (mainly the trophoblast) on early embryo patterning/gastrulation. To this end, the discoveries of my Lab include: (1) Demonstration that trophoblast signaling is not only required for gastrulation initiation, but also for its progression after primitive streak formation (*Polydorou and Georgiades, 2013, Nature communications*). (2) Establishment of lentivirus-mediated gene knockdown in trophoblast stem (TS) cells as a new tool for gene function studies in these stem cells (*Odiatis and Georgiades, 2010, Placenta*). (3) Discovery of new aspects about placental development about the clinically important remodeling of placental spiral arteries (*Charalambous, Elia, Georgiades, 2012, BBRC; Elia, Charalambous, Georgiades, 2011, BBRC*). (4) Establishment of the first serum-free/chemically defined mouse embryo culture system for studying early mammalian postimplantation development (*Drakou and Georgiades, 2015, BBRC*).

EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBER

- **2016-today:** Journal: '*Scientific Reports*' (UK)
- **2011-today:** Journal: '*Stem Cell Discovery*' (USA)
- **2011-today:** Journal: '*Anatomy Domain*' of "*The Scientific World Journal*" (USA)

MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER/GRANT EVALUATOR

- **Reviewer** for many manuscripts from several Journals including '*Development*', '*Annals of Medicine*', '*PLoS Computational Biology*' and '*Biotechniques*'.
- **Evaluator** for Medical Research Council (MRC) grant applications (UK)

MEMBER OF PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES/ORGANISATIONS

- **1996-today:** *British Society for Developmental Biology* (UK)
- **2005-today:** *The A. G. Leventis Foundation Scholars Association* (Cyprus)
- **1996-2001:** *Corpus Christi College, University of Cambridge* (UK)

INVITED SPEAKER (selected talks)

- **2014:** "MRC University of Edinburgh Centre for Reproductive Health Seminars" *University of Edinburgh* (UK)
- **2012:** "Departmental Seminar", Department of Anatomy and Embryology, *University of Goettingen* (Germany)
- **2011:** *EMBO Workshop* "Lineage Commitments: Extraembryonic-Embryonic Interfaces", *Leuven* (Belgium)
- **2009:** "International Conference: Medical Applications of Stem Cells", *Limassol* (Cyprus)
- **2008:** "Departmental Seminar", *King's College London School of Medicine* (UK)
- **2006:** Conference "Great Lakes Mammalian Development", *Toronto* (Canada)
- **2005:** *Institute Seminar* at 'Samuel Lunenfeld Research Institute', *Mount Sinai Hospital* (Canada)
- **2004:** *Workshop* 'Model systems and scientific inference: Crossing the species boundaries', *MIT* (USA)
- **2003:** *XIIth World Congress "Gestational Trophoblastic Diseases"*, *Harvard Medical School* (USA)
- **2000:** "Tripartite Conference of the Anatomical Society", *University of Cambridge* (UK)

RESEARCH COLLABORATORS

- **Prof. Janet Rossant:** Peter Gilgan Centre for Research and Learning, *The Hospital for Sick Children and Department of Molecular Genetics, University of Toronto* (Canada)
- **Prof. Graham Burton:** Centre for Trophoblast Research, *University of Cambridge* (UK)
- **Dr Tilo Kunath:** MRC Centre for Regenerative Medicine, *University of Edinburgh* (UK)

- **Dr Andrew Groves:** Program in Developmental Biology, [Baylor College of Medicine \(USA\)](#)

SELECTED PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Birol, O., Ohyama, T., Edlund, R. K., Drakou, K., **Georgiades, P.**, & Groves, A. K. (2016). The mouse Foxi3 transcription factor is necessary for the development of posterior placodes. *Developmental biology*, 409, 139-151.
- Drakou, K., & **Georgiades, P.** (2015). A serum-free and defined medium for the culture of mammalian postimplantation embryos. *Biochemical and biophysical research communications*, 468(4), 813-819.
- Polydorou, C., & **Georgiades, P.** (2013). Ets2-dependent trophoblast signalling is required for gastrulation progression after primitive streak initiation. *Nature communications*, 4, 1658.
- Charalambous, C., Drakou, K., Nicolaou, S., & **Georgiades, P.** (2013). Novel Spatiotemporal Glycome Changes in the Murine Placenta During Placentation Based on BS-I Lectin Binding Patterns. *The Anatomical Record*, 296, 921-932.
- Charalambous, F., Elia, A., & **Georgiades, P.** (2012). Decidual spiral artery remodeling during early post-implantation period in mice: investigation of associations with decidual uNK cells and invasive trophoblast. *Biochemical and biophysical research communications*, 417(2), 847-852.
- Elia, A., Charalambous, F., & **Georgiades, P.** (2011). New phenotypic aspects of the decidual spiral artery wall during early post-implantation mouse pregnancy. *Biochemical and biophysical research communications*, 416(1), 211-216.
- Odiatis, C., & **Georgiades, P.** (2010). New insights for Ets2 function in trophoblast using lentivirus-mediated gene knockdown in trophoblast stem cells. *Placenta* 31, 630-640.
- **Georgiades, P.**, Cox B, Gertsenstein M, Chawengsaksophak K, Rossant, J. (2007). Trophoblast-specific gene manipulation using lentivirus-based vectors. *BioTechniques* 42:317-325.
- **Georgiades, P.**, & Rossant, J. (2006). *Ets2* is necessary in trophoblast for normal embryonic anteroposterior axis development. *Development* 133, 1059-1068.
- **Georgiades, P.**, Ferguson-Smith AC, Burton, G.J. (2002). Comparative developmental anatomy of murine and human definitive placentae. *Placenta* 23, 3-19.
- **Georgiades, P.**, Watkins M, Burton GJ, Ferguson-Smith, A.C. (2001). Roles for genomic imprinting and the zygotic genome in placental development. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA* 98, 4522-4527.
- **Georgiades, P.**, Watkins M, Surani MA, Ferguson-Smith, A.C. (2000). Parental origin-specific developmental defects in mice with uniparental disomy for chromosome 12. *Development* 127, 4719-28.
- Takada S, Tevendale M, Baker J, **Georgiades P**, Campbell E, Freeman T, Johnson MH, Paulsen M, Ferguson-Smith AC (2000) Delta-like and gtl2 are reciprocally expressed, differentially methylated linked imprinted genes on mouse chromosome 12. *Current Biology* 10, 1135-8.
- **Georgiades P**, Chierakul C, Ferguson-Smith AC (1998) Parental origin effects in human trisomy for chromosome 14q: implications for genomic imprinting. *Journal of Medical Genetics* 35, 821-824.
- **Georgiades P**, Wood J, Brickell PM (1998) Retinoid X receptor-gamma gene expression is developmentally regulated in the embryonic rodent peripheral nervous system. *Anatomy and Embryology* 197, 477-484. (5**).
- **Georgiades P** and Brickell PM (1998) Regulation of retinoid X receptor-gamma gene transcript levels in rat heart cells. *Cell Biology International* 22, 457-463. (2**).
- **Georgiades P** and Brickell PM (1997) Differential expression of the rat retinoid X receptor gamma gene during skeletal muscle differentiation suggests a role in myogenesis. *Developmental Dynamics* 210, 1-10.