

SHORT CV
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Admission to the Medical School of the National Kapodistrian University of Athens (1989) from which I graduated in July 1995. I specialized in Internal Medicine (1998-2002) and completed my doctoral thesis at the Therapeutic Clinic of the University of Athens. I trained in the USA at the University of Mississippi, USA in a postdoc position for two years. The European Hypertension Society awarded me the title of its clinical specialist hypertension in 2005. In February 2005 I was elected to the position of Lecturer in Internal Medicine at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and then promoted to the position of Assistant Professor (2010), Associate Professor (2016) and Full Professor of Internal Medicine-Hypertension (2020).

In my clinical-research work, the recognition of the Hypertension Center of the Third University Internal Medicine Clinic of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki as a Center of Excellence of the European Society of Hypertension 2011 (Hypertension Center of Excellence) stands out. **From 2017 to 2020 I was the Director of the Emergency Department of Papageorgiou Hospital. From September 2020 until today, I am the Director of the Third University Internal Medicine Clinic of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.** I have served as a member of the General Assembly of the Faculty of Medicine of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, an expert of the Medical School of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, a member of the Doctoral Thesis Committee 2013-2021, a member of the Committee for the Cooperation of Preclinical-Clinical Research Programs, a member of the Committee for the Development of Faculty Members, a member of the Strategic Planning Committee, a Member of the Fellowship Committee, a Member of the Board of Directors of the Center for Biomedical Medical Research (KBIE), an alternate member of the Board of Directors of AHEPA Hospital. **I have been the President (2015-2023) of the Working group on Obesity, Diabetes, and the high-risk patient (EUROPEAN SOCIETY HYPERTENSION) with participation in European programs and clinical research protocols.** I successfully organized during the European Congress on Hypertension in Milan joint sessions with the European Society of Atherosclerosis and EASO. I have received many Greek and international awards and distinctions. I have been president for the organization of international and Greek scientific meetings with the organization of international Satellite Symposia of the European Congress on Hypertension in Greece from 2008 until today. I am the Vice President (President elect) of the Hellenic Society Atherosclerosis and member in the specialty examinations of internal medicine residents in Greece since September 2023. My research includes over 200 papers published in PubMed (<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/?term=kotsis+v>) with a very high impact factor, h-

index of 42 and over 7000 citations. Since 2020 I am the director of the 3rd Department of Internal Medicine of the Aristotle University Thessaloniki Medical School at Papageorgiou Hospital.