

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

2022-	Doctorate	Medical Physiopathology University of Turin, Italy
2019-2022	Master in Science	Molecular Biology & Genetics Bogazici University, Turkiye
2014-2019	Bachelor science	Molecular Biology & Genetics Gebze Technical University, Turkiye

Experience

2019-2022	Teaching assist.	Laboratory lessons for BS. students <i>“Biochemistry laboratory Cell Biology laboratory”</i> Bogazici University, Turkiye
2018	Research intern	<i>“Analysis of cancer tissues from osteosarcoma and liposarcoma patients.”</i> Stem Cell and Gene Therapies Research & Applied Center, Kocaeli University, Turkey PI: Prof. Yusufhan Yazır

Experience

2018	Research intern	<i>“Investigation of upstream and downstream pathways of SIK2 protein and its role in ER stress.”</i> Obesity and Diabetes laboratory, Gebze Technical University, Turkiye PI: Prof. Ferruh Özcan
2018	Research intern	<i>“Analysis of cancer tissues from osteosarcoma and liposarcoma patients.”</i> Stem Cell and Gene Therapies Research & Applied Center, Kocaeli University, Turkey PI: Prof. Yusufhan Yazır
2017	Research intern	<i>“Characterizing bacterial specimens from Sea of Marmara.”</i> Bacteriology laboratory, Gebze Technical University, Turkey PI: Asst. Prof. Sonay Özkan

Projects

2022-	PhD. Thesis	<i>“Klotho engineered extracellular vesicle in chronic kidney disease preclinical models”</i> PI: Prof. Benedetta Bussolati
2019-2022	MSc. Thesis	<i>“Investigation of The Effects of SUMO Modification Two Critical Proteins: A Pathogenic NEK1 Mutant That Drives ALS Pathogenesis and The CRISPR-Associated Cas9 Protein”</i> PI: Assoc. Prof. Umut Şahin

Publications

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| 2023 | Ergunay, T. , Collino, F., Bianchi, G. et al. Extracellular vesicles in kidney development and pediatric kidney diseases. <i>Pediatr Nephrol</i> (2023).
https://doi.org/10.1007/s00467-023-06165-9 |
| 2022 | Ergünay, T. , Ayhan, Ö., Celen, AB. et al. Sumoylation of Cas9 at lysine 848 regulates protein stability and DNA binding. <i>Life Sci Alliance</i> (2022).
https://doi.org/10.26508/lsa.202101078 |

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| 2020-2022 | Project support (119N095), “SUMO-related pathogenesis of Nek1-related Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) and its role in a potential treatment”, Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TUBITAK), Türkiye |

Skills

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| Wet lab | <p>Cell culture techniques (passaging, transfection, transduction and CRISPR)</p> <p>Extracellular vesicle studies (isolation, characterization, analysis and uptake assays)</p> <p>Protein-based assays (Immunoprecipitation, immunofluorescence, immunoblot, flow cytometry, proximity ligation assay, and ELISA)</p> <p>Microscopy (fluorescence and confocal microscopy)</p> <p>Nucleic acid studies (RNA and DNA isolation, PCR, RT-PCR, qPCR, and site directed mutagenesis)</p> |
| Software | <p>Data analysis tools (ImageJ, Graphpad Prism, Image Lab, FlowJo)</p> <p>Sequence design tools (Benchling, Snapgene and Jalview)</p> <p>Protein modelling (PyMOL)</p> |

Published artworks

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References

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