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### Personal Information

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### Current Position

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**01/02/2024- Present**      **Research Assistant : smartHEALTH EU programme – Analysis of MRI images for automatic identification and classification of Central Nervous System Diseases using AI algorithms.**  
Foundation of Research and Technology (FORTH), Computational Biomedicine Laboratory (CBML)

### Previous Research Positions

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01.03.2021-15.05.2023      **Principal Investigator: Neuroimaging Correlates of Cognitive and Psychoemotional Manifestations of Systemic Lupus Erythematosus;**  
Department of Radiology, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece

01.12.2019-30.04.2022      **Post-doctoral Researcher: The neural correlates of action and visual perception and multisensory integration in healthy subjects and schizophrenia patients; P.I.: B. Straube, T. Kircher, Department of Psychiatry, Translational Neuroimaging Unit, University of Marburg, Germany**

01.03.2018 - 01.02.2022      **Post-doctoral Researcher: Cognitive, psychoemotional and neuroimaging predictors of disease progression in the early stages of Multiple Sclerosis.; P.I.: E. Kavroulakis, Advisor: E.Papadaki, Department of Radiology, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece**

01.12.2012 - 01.03.2018      **PhD Candidate: Myelin content changes in probable Alzheimer’s disease and Mild Cognitive Impairment; Advisors: E. Papadaki & P. Simos, Department of Radiology, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece**

01.06.2012 – 30.11.2012      **Laboratory Rotation: Diagnosis and Prognosis of neurodegenerative diseases with advanced neuroimaging techniques** Department of Radiology, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece

01.01.2012 - **Laboratory Rotation: Study of the molecular mechanisms involved in the**  
31.05.2012 **regenerative capacity of the CNS; Advisor: I. Charalampopoulos**, Department  
of Pharmacology, University of Crete, Greece

### Education

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12.12.2012 - Department of Radiology, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece, “Myelin  
20.06.2018 content changes in probable Alzheimer’s disease and Mild Cognitive Impairment”,  
PhD in Neurosciences (10/10)

08.10.2010 - Medical School, University of Crete, Heraklion, Greece, MSc “Brain and Mind”  
11.12.2012 Interdisciplinary Program in Cognitive Neuroscience (8.5/10)

30.09.2003 - Department of Biology, University of Crete, BSc in Molecular Biology and  
01.12.2009 Biotechnology (6.5/10)

### Publications

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1. **E. Kavroulakis**, PG. Simos, G. Kalaitzakis, TG. Maris, D. Karageorgou, I. Zaganas, S. Panagiotakis, M. Basta, A. Vgontzas, E. Papadaki. Myelin content changes in probable Alzheimer’s disease and mild cognitive impairment: Associations with age and severity of neuropsychiatric impairment, J Magn Reson Imaging, 2017 Aug 31, doi: 10.1002/jmri.25849
2. **E. Kavroulakis**, N.J. Simos, T.G. Maris, I. Zaganas, S. Panagiotakis, E.Papadaki. Evidence of Age-Related Hemodynamic and Functional Connectivity Impairment: A Resting State fMRI Study. Front Neurosci March, doi.org/ 10.3389/fneur.2021.633500
3. **E. Kavroulakis**, B.M. van Kemenade, B.E. Arikan, T. Kirchner, B. Straube. The effect of self- vs. externally generated actions on timing, duration and amplitude of BOLD response for visual feedback processing. HBM 2022 September, doi.org/10.1002/hbm.26053
4. HE. Savaki\*, **E. Kavroulakis\***, E. Papadaki, TG. Maris, PG. Simos. Action Observation Responses are Influenced by Movement Kinematics and Target Identity, Cereb Cortex, 2021 Jul 14 10.1093/cercor/bhab225. **\*contributed equally**
5. E. Papadaki\*, **E. Kavroulakis\***, G. Kalaitzakis, D. Karageorgou, D. Makrakis, T. Maris, P.G. Simos. Age-related deep white matter changes in myelin and water content: a T2 relaxometry study. J Magn Reson Imaging 2019, doi: 10.1002/jmri.26707. **\*contributed equally**

6. **E. Kavroulakis**, P. Simos, S. Papadopoulou, S. Dimitriou, D. Karageorgou, A. Vakis, E. Papadaki. Cerebral Perfusion disturbances in traumatic brain injury: A preliminary study about direct and indirect effects on memory and psychoemotional outcome. *Hellenic Journal of Radiology* 2016 October, vol 1: 11-26
7. P. Simos, **E. Kavroulakis**, T. Maris, E. Papadaki, T. Boursianis, G. Kalaitzakis, E. Savaki. Neural foundations of goal directed overt and covert actions. *NeuroImage* 2017 May 15;152:482-496
8. Papadaki E, **Kavroulakis E**, Bertias G, Fanouriakis A, Karageorgou D, Sidiropoulos P, Papastefanakis E, Boumpas DT, Simos P. Regional cerebral perfusion correlates with anxiety in neuropsychiatric SLE: evidence for a mechanism distinct from depression. *Lupus*. 2019 Dec;28(14):1678-1689. doi: 10.1177/0961203319887793.
9. E. Papadaki, **E. Kavroulakis**, K. Manolitsi, D. Makrakis, E. Papastefanakis, P. Tsagaraki, S. Papadopoulou, A. Zampetakis, M. Malliou, A. Vakis, P. Simos. Cerebral perfusion disturbances in chronic mild traumatic brain injury correlate with psychoemotional outcomes. *Brain Imaging Behav*. 2020 Jul 30. doi: 10.1007/s11682-020-00343-1.
10. T. Panou, **E. Kavroulakis**, V. Mastoredemos, S. Pouli, G. Kalaitzakis, E. Spyridaki, T.G. Maris, P. Simos, E. Papadaki. Myelin content changes in Clinically Isolated Syndrome and Relapsing-Remitting Multiple Sclerosis: Associations with lesion type and severity of visuomotor impairment. *Mult Scler Relat Disord*. 2021 Jun 23; 54:103108. doi: 10.1016/j.msard.2021.103108.
11. E. Papadaki, A. Fanouriakis \*, **E. Kavroulakis \***, D. Karageorgou, P. Sidiropoulos, G. Bertias, P. Simos, DT. Boumpas. Neuropsychiatric lupus or not? Cerebral hypoperfusion by perfusion-weighted MRI in normal appearing white matter in primary neuropsychiatric lupus erythematosus. *Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases*, 2017 December 19, doi: 10.1136/annrheumdis-2017-212285.  
**\*contributed equally**
12. G. Kalaitzakis, **E. Kavroulakis**, T. Boursianis, S. Veneti, L. Kontopodis, K. Marias, E. Papadaki, A. Karantanas, T. Maris. Magnetic relaxation measurements on tissue mimicking phantoms: comparisons between different fitting algorithms in MRI T2 calculations. *Physica Medica*. 2014 Jan 1; E118- E119, doi: 10.1016/j.ejmp.2014.07.337

13. E Kosteletou, PG Simos, **E Kavroulakis**, D Antypa, TG Maris, AP Liavas, PA Karakasis, E Papadaki. Improving the Sensitivity of Task-Related Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Data Using Generalized Canonical Correlation Analysis. *Front. Hum. Neurosci.*, 14 December 2021 <https://doi.org/10.3389/fnhum.2021.771668>
14. NJ Simos, SI Dimitriadis, **E Kavroulakis**, GC Manikis, G Bertias, P Simos, TG Maris, E Papadaki. Quantitative Identification of Functional Connectivity Disturbances in Neuropsychiatric Lupus Based on Resting-State fMRI: A Robust Machine Learning Approach. *Brain Sci.* 2020 Oct 25;10(11):777. doi: 10.3390/brainsci10110777
15. D. Antypa, N.J. Simos, **E. Kavroulakis**, G. Bertias, A. Fanouriakis, P. Sidiropoulos, D.T. Boumpas, E. Papadakis. Anxiety and depression severity in neuropsychiatric SLE are associated with perfusion and functional connectivity changes of the frontolimbic neural circuit: A resting-state functional MRI study. *Lupus Science and Medicine* 2021 Apr;8(1):e000473. doi: 10.1136/lupus-2020-000473.
16. E. Papadaki, NJ. Simos, **E. Kavroulakis**, G. Bertias, D. Antypa, A. Fanouriakis, T. Maris, P. Sidiropoulos, DT. Boumpas. Converging evidence of impaired brain function in systemic lupus erythematosus: changes in perfusion dynamics and intrinsic functional connectivity. *Neuroradiology.* 2022 Mar 6. doi: 10.1007/s00234-022-02924-x. Online ahead of print. PMID: 35249129
17. E. Papadaki, A. Fanouriakis, **E. Kavroulakis**, D. Karageorgou, P. Sidiropoulos, G. Bertias, P. Simos, DT. Boumpas. "Response to eLetter Wallace". *Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases.* *Ann Rheum Dis.* 2018 Jan 23. pii: annrheumdis-2018-212949. doi: 10.1136/annrheumdis-2018-212949.
18. A. Pentari, G. Tzagkarakis, P. Tsakalides, P. Simos, G. Bertias, **E. Kavroulakis**, K. Marias, N. J. Simos, and E. Papadaki, "Changes in resting-state functional connectivity in neuropsychiatric Lupus: A dynamic approach based on recurrence quantification analysis," *Elsevier Biomedical Signal Processing and Control*, vol. 72, part A, 2022, pages 103285, ISSN 1746-8094, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bspc.2021.103285>.
19. E. Papadaki, V. Mastoredemos, T. Panou, S. Pouli, E. Spyridaki, **E. Kavroulakis**, G. Kalaitzakis, T.G. Maris, P. Simos. T2 Relaxometry Evidence of Microstructural Changes in Diffusely

Abnormal White Matter in Relapsing-Remitting Multiple Sclerosis and Clinically Isolated Syndrome: Impact on Visuomotor Performance. *J Magn Reson Imaging* 2021 May 6. doi: 10.1002/jmri.27661.

20. Simos NJ, Manolitsi K, Luppi AI, Kagialis A, Antonakakis M, Zervakis M, Antypa D, **Kavroulakis E**, Maris TG, Vakis A, Stamatakis EA, Papadaki E. Chronic Mild Traumatic Brain Injury: Aberrant Static and Dynamic Connectomic Features Identified Through Machine Learning Model Fusion. *Neuroinformatics*. 2022 Dec 2. doi: 10.1007/s12021-022-09615-1. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 36456762.
21. Antypa D, Simos NJ, Panou T, Spyridaki E, Kagialis A, Kosteletou E, **Kavroulakis E**, Mastorodemos V, Papadaki E. Distinct hemodynamic and functional connectivity features of fatigue in clinically isolated syndrome and multiple sclerosis: accounting for the confounding effect of concurrent depression symptoms. *Neuroradiology* 2023 June. doi.org/10.1007/s00234-023-03174-1
22. Pentari A, Simos N, Tzagarakis G, Kagialis A, Bertsiaris G, **Kavroulakis E**, Gratsia E, Sidiropoulos P, Boumpas DT, Papadaki E. Altered hippocampal connectivity dynamics predicts memory performance in neuropsychiatric lupus: a resting-state fMRI study using cross-recurrence quantification analysis. *Lupus Science & Medicine* 2023;10:e000920. doi: 10.1136/lupus-2023-000920
23. G. Kalaitzakis, E. Papadaki, **E. Kavroulakis**, T. Boursianis, K. Marias, TG. Maris. Optimising T2 relaxation measurements on MS patients utilising a multi-component tissue mimicking phantom and different fitting algorithms in T2 calculations. *Hellenic Journal of Radiology* 2019 June.

### **Scientific Conference Oral & Poster Presentations (selection)**

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#### *Oral presentations*

**E. Kavroulakis**, G. Kalaitzakis, V. Mastorodimos, P. Simos, T. Maris & E. Papadaki .Multi-echo T2 relaxation technique in Multiple Sclerosis. Hellenic Meeting of Radiology 2015, Athens, Greece.

**E. Kavroulakis**, P. Simos, E. Papadaki, T. Boursianis, G. Kalaitzakis, T. Maris & E. Savaki .Brain Circuits engaged in Mental Simulation of Action: An fMRI study. Hellenic Meeting of Radiology 2015, Athens, Greece.

**E. Kavroulakis**, S.Dimitriou, V. Mastorodimos, T. Maris, P. Simos & E. Papadaki. Resting State fMRI in Multiple Sclerosis & Clinically Isolated Syndrome (CIS). Hellenic Meeting of Radiology 2015, Athens, Greece.

**E. Kavroulakis**, P.Simos, G.Kalaitzakis, T. Maris, I. Zaganas, S. Panagiotakis, A. Vgontzas, E. Papadaki . Multi-Echo T2 Relaxation Technique in Dementia, BCR 2016, Thessaloniki, Greece.

**E.Kavroulakis**, P. Simos, V.Mastorodimos, I. Zaganas, T. Maris, E.Papadaki. Application of Resting State fMRI in MS, Lupus and Dementia. Hellenic Meeting of Radiology 2017, Alexandroupoli. Greece.

#### *Poster presentations*

**E. Kavroulakis**, G. Kalaitzakis, V. Mastorodimos, P. Simos, T. Maris & E. Papadaki. Multi-echo T2 relaxation technique in Multiple Sclerosis. FENS 2015, Thessaloniki, Greece.

**E. Kavroulakis**, P. Simos, E. Papadaki, T. Boursianis, G. Kalaitzakis, T. Maris, E. Savaki . Brain Circuits engaged in Mental Simulation of Action: An fMRI study. FENS 2015, Thessaloniki, Greece.

G. Kalaitzakis, **E. Kavroulakis**, T. Boursianis & T. Maris. Magnetic relaxation measurements on tissue mimicking phantoms: comparison between different fitting algorithms in MRI T2 calculations. European Congress of Medical Physics, 2014, Athens, Greece.

S. Dimitriou, **E. Kavroulakis**, V. Mastorodimos, T. Maris & E. Papadaki. Hemodynamic (T2\* Perfusion) and Structural (DWI/Tractography) changes in patients with Multiple Sclerosis and Clinically Isolated Syndrome. Hellenic Meeting of Radiology 2013, Crete, Greece

E. Papadaki, **E. Kavroulakis**, G. Kalaitzakis, T. Boursianis, T. Maris, E. Savaki, P. Simos. Neural Foundations Of Goal Directed Overt And Covert Actions. ESNR 2016 Annual Meeting, Belgrade, Serbia.

**E. Kavroulakis**, P. Simos, E. Papadaki, G. Kalaitzakis, T. Boursianis, T. Maris, E. Savaki. Brain Networks for Overt and Covert Actions: AN fMRI study. 16<sup>th</sup> Austrian fMRI/2<sup>nd</sup> Alpine Chapter Symposium.

D. Tsolakopoulos, A. Despoti, D. Kasselimis , **E. Kavroulakis** , G. Angelopoulou , E. Korompoki, A. Tountopoulou, S. Vassilopoulou, G Papageorgiou, I Evdokimidis, C. Potagas. Verbal and visuospatial working memory deficits in left and right hemisphere stroke. 27<sup>th</sup> European Stroke Conference, Athens, Greece.

G. Papageorgiou, D. Kasselimis, **E. Kavroulakis**, G. Angelopoulou, D. Tsolakopoulos, A. Tountopoulou, E. Korompoki , S. Vasilopoulou , I. Evdokimidis, C. Potagas. Investigating the neural substrate of aphasic errors during naming. 27<sup>th</sup> European Stroke Conference, Athens, Greece.

#### **Memberships**

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European Brain Behaviour Society (EBBS)

Federation of European Neuroscience Societies (FENS)

## **Fellowships**

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| 2021 - 2023 | Hellenic Foundation for Research and Innovation, Fellowship for Principal Investigator<br>Department of Radiology, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece  |
| 2019 - 2022 | TRR/SFB 135 project, DFG, Fellowship for Post-Doctoral Research, Department of<br>Psychiatry, University of Marburg, Germany.   |
| 2019-2020   | Hellenic Foundation for Research and Innovation, Fellowship for Post-Doctoral<br>Research, Department of Radiology, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece   |
| 2018-2019   | Horizon 2020-Personalized Medicine, Fellowship for Post-Doctoral Research:<br>Predicting effective adaptation to breast cancer to help women BOUNCE back (project<br>ID 777167), Department of Radiology, Medical School, University of Crete, Greece |
| 2013 - 2015 | Graduate Research Assistant: Mental Simulation of Action-MESI. Aristeia II Program,<br>Operational Programme for Education and Lifelong Learning 2007-2013 of the NSRF  |

### **Teaching, Supervising, & Mentoring Activities**

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- 2014 – 2019 Co-supervision of Bachelor, Master and PhD students  
University of Crete: S. Dimitriou, S. Papadakos, M. Leonidou, G. Kipros, D. Karageorgou, D. Makrakis. E. Kosteletou
- 2019-2022 Co-supervision of master and PhD students  
University of Marburg, Germany: E. Oddy, C. Schmitter,
- 2015-2018 Introduction to Neuroimaging Course, MSc “Brain and Mind” Interdisciplinary Program in Cognitive Neuroscience, Department of Medicine, University of Crete
- 2023 Introduction to Neuroimaging Course, MSc “Brain and Mind” Interdisciplinary Program in Cognitive Neuroscience, Department of Medicine, University of Crete
- 2023 Systemic Neuroscience course, MSc “Graduate Program in Neuroscience”, Department of Medicine, University of Crete
- 2024 Biopsychology course, BSc “Graduate Program in Psychology”, Metropolitan College, Heraklion, Crete, Greece

### **Workshops (selection)**

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- 2022 Human Brain Mapping Educational Courses. Marburg, Germany.
- 2021 Statistical Parametric Mapping (SPM) course. London, UK.