

Cristina Farmaki

Curriculum Vitae



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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- January 2011 – present* FOUNDATION FOR RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY (FORTH) CRETE, GREECE
Computational BioMedicine Laboratory (CML) Heraklion, Greece
- **Research in** design and implementation of practical BCIs, EEG analysis for individualization of SSVEP-based BCIs and improving their performance.
 - Epilepsy-related EEG analysis, detection and prediction of epileptic seizures.
 - EEG findings in schizophrenia: study of the sensory gating deficit in patients suffering from schizophrenia and cocaine addicts.
 - Study of EEG oscillatory patterns during perception of bistable images.
 - Brain Computer Interfaces, EEG analysis, Statistical analysis and Machine Learning, experience with performing EEG experiments, programming Arduino microcontrollers, EEG functional connectivity analysis
- Supervisors: Principal Researcher Vangelis Sakkalis
- July 2009 – August 2010* FOUNDATION FOR RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY (FORTH) CRETE, GREECE
Computational BioMedicine Laboratory (CML) Heraklion, Greece
- **Research in** medical image analysis for the development of algorithms and software dedicated to extract pathophysiological information from patients suffering from cancer.
 - MRI image analysis, statistical analysis, medical image segmentation and registration
- Supervisor: Associate Professor Kostas Marias

EDUCATION

- 2006 – 2009 UNIVERSITY OF CRETE CRETE, GREECE
Computer Science Department
M.Sc. in BioMedical Engineering
- Thesis topic: *A spatially adaptive active contour approach for improving semi-automatic cancer image segmentation*
- 2000 – 2006 UNIVERSITY OF PATRAS – POLYTECHNIC SCHOOL PATRAS, GREECE
Diploma (M.Sc. equivalent) in Electrical Engineering and Computer Technology
- 1994 - 2000 GENERAL HIGH SCHOOL OF KIATO KIATO, GREECE
High School Degree

PUBLICATIONS

In Scientific Journals

Farmaki C., Sakkalis V., Loesche F., & Nisiforou E.A. (2019). Assessing Field Dependence–Independence Cognitive Abilities Through EEG-Based Bistable Perception Processing. *Frontiers in Human Neuroscience*, 13:345, doi: 10.3389/fnhum.2019.00345.

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Giannakaki K., Giannakakis G., **Farmaki C., & Sakkalis V. (2017).** Emotional state recognition using advanced machine learning techniques on EEG data. *30th IEEE International Symposium on Computer-Based Medical Systems*, Thessaloniki, Greece, 22-24 June 2017.

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Makri D., **Farmaki C., & Sakkalis V. (2015).** Visual fatigue effects on Steady State Visual Evoked Potential-based Brain Computer Interfaces. *7th International IEEE/EMBS Conference on Neural Engineering (NER)*, 2015.

Sakkalis V., Giannakakis G., **Farmaki C., Mousas A., Pediaditis M., Vorgia P., & Tsiknakis, M.N. (2013).** Absence seizure epilepsy detection using linear and nonlinear EEG analysis methods. *35th Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology*.

Giannakakis G., Sakkalis V., Pediaditi, M., **Farmaki C., Vorgia P., & Tsiknakis M.N. (2013).** An approach to absence epileptic seizures detection using approximate entropy. *35th Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology*.

Vorgia P., Giannakakis G., Sakkalis V., Pediaditis M., **Farmaki C., Voutoufianakis S., & Tsiknakis, M.N. (2013).** Ανίχνευση αφαιρέσεων με χρήση προσεγγιστικής εντροπίας. του 8ου Πανελληνίου Συνεδρίου Επιληψίας.

Farmaki C., Mavrigiannakis K., Marias K., Zervakis M.E., & Sakkalis V. (2010). Assessment of Automated Brain Structures Segmentation based on the Mean-shift Algorithm: Application in Brain Tumor. *ITAB2010*, Corfu, Greece, November 2-5.

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LANGUAGES

Greek : Native competence

English: Certificate of **Proficiency** (University of Michigan)

Spanish: Diploma de Español como lengua extranjera (nivel b2)

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

Skills

- Experienced with MS office suite
- Experienced with programming (C++, Matlab, Python, Arduino)
- Experienced with **fMRI analysis** and **EEG analysis**
- Image and signal processing, Machine Learning, Statistical analysis

Voluntary work

- Volunteering position in the non-governmental organization “Nataté”, San Cristobal de Las Casas, Chiapas, México, September - November 2010

Interests - Leisure activities

- Contemporary dance, photography, volunteering

CONFERENCES ATTENDANCE

- **World Congress on Medical Physics and Biomedical Engineering**, 7 – 12 September 2009, Munich, Germany
- **E-Health Forum**, 25 – 26 October 2016, Athens, Greece

PARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH PROJECTS

- **ContraCancrum-** Clinically Oriented Translational Cancer Multilevel Modelling (ICT-2007.5.3: Virtual Physiological Human).
- **TUMOR**, Transatlantic TUmour MOdel Repositories (Information Society and Media Directorate General)

- **AI-CARE**, Advanced Knowledge Management Systems with Internet Computational Efficiency and Applications in Health Care (Cooperation 2011 - 11SYN-6-2009)
- **iAMA** - Interpreting Άτομα με Αναπηρία, a reliable brain-computer communication system enabling patients suffering from severe neuromuscular paralysis to act independently and socialize (RESEARCH – CREATE – INNOVATE, project code: T1EDK-01675).

REFERENCES

Available upon request