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	PhD	July 2007
	Certification in Medical Oncology – Hellenic Boards	September 2008
	ESMO (European Society of Medical Oncology) Certification in Medical Oncology	September 2008

Prizes/Awards/Grants

- HE.S.M.O. (Hellenic Society of Medical Oncology)2006 Grant – for a research program in Hellas
 - 6-9 February, 2007 Paris, France,18th International Congress on Anti-Cancer Treatment - *Best 2 posters*
 - HE.S.M.O. 2008 Grant “Constantinos Tentas” – for a clinical research program
 - P. M. Weinberger, Z.Yu , **P. Kountourakis**, C. Sasaki, D. Kowalski, D. Rimm, R.Camp , A. Psyri
Molecular Classification of HPV associated Head Neck Cancer
September 21-24 2008, Annual Meeting, Chicago ,U.S.A. ,”AAO-HNS”
(Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery August 2008 ,Vol. 139, Issue 2, Page P91), 2nd Prize

Current Appointment

1/7/10: Consultant - Department of Medical Oncology, Bank of Cyprus Oncology Centre, Nicosia, Cyprus

Previous Appointments Held

1/2/2010 - 30/6/10: Research Associate, Cancer Immunology and Immunotherapy Department, Saint Savas Anticancer Hospital, Athens

30/3/2010- 31/5/10: Consultant, First Department of Medical Oncology, Ygeia Hospital, Athens

8/7/09 - 15/1/10: Fellow, Gastrointestinal Medical Oncology Department, University of Texas, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston-Texas, U.S.A.

6/11/08 - 8/6/09: Locum Consultant - Department of Medical Oncology, Bank of Cyprus Oncology Centre

8-2008-11/2008: Associate, First Department of Medical Oncology, Saint Savas Hospital, Athens

7/ 2006 – 7/2008: Fellow, Medical Oncology, First Department of Medical Oncology, Saint Savas Hospital, Athens

7/ 2005-6 / 2006: Fellow, Medical Oncology Department, School of Medicine, Yale University, U.S.A.

3/ 2005-6 /2005: Associate, Second Propaedeutic Clinic-Oncology unit, University of Athens , ATTIKON General Hospital

5/ 2002-2/ 2005: Resident in Internal Medicine, University of Athens, Second Propaedeutic Clinic-Oncology unit, ATTIKON General Hospital

2/2001-2/2002: Resident in Internal Medicine, Acting Sub-Lieutenant, Greek Navy – Naval Port, Naval Hospital of Salamina.

12/2000-2/2001: Resident in General Surgery, Acting Sub-Lieutenant, Greek Navy – Naval Port, Naval Hospital of Salamina

3/2000 -12/2000: Acting Sub-Lieutenant, responsible for supervising paramedical officers of tank landing ships. Member of a multidisciplinary team that amended the directive on the medical equipment of ships

- 12/1998 – 3/2000: Resident in General Practice, Hellenic NHS
– Government, Health Center of Milos island, Postgraduate mandatory Service
- 11/1998 -12/2000: Resident in Cardiology, Second Cardiology Clinic, General Hospital Evangelismos, Athens
- 10/1998 – 11/1998: Resident in General Surgery - First Surgery Clinic, General Hospital Evangelismos, Athens
- 9/1998 – 10/1998: Resident in Internal Medicine, First Internal Medicine Clinic, General Hospital Evangelismos, Athens

PhD

October 2003 – July 2007

Study of expression of HER family in colorectal cancer. Correlation with clinicopathological parameters.

University of Athens, School of Medicine

Membership of Professional Bodies

Hellenic Society for Medical Oncology (HESMO)

European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO)

American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO)

Publications

Original papers – reviews - case reports

- 1) D. Pectacides, M. Pectasides, D. Farmakis, A. Gaglia, A. Koumarianou, M. Nikolaou, M. Kountourakis, G. Papaxoinis, P. Mitrou, T. Economopoulos, S.A.Raptis

Oxaliplatin plus high-dose leucovorin and 5-fluorouracil (FOLFOX 4) in platinum-resistant and taxane-pretreated ovarian cancer: a phase II study

(Gynecologic Oncology 2004; 165-172)

- 2) S. Papageorgiou, T. Economopoulos, **P. Kountourakis**, D. Rontogianni, E. Papageorgiou , S. Raptis

Extramedullary involvement in a case of acute myelomonocytic leukaemia

(Haema 2004; 7(3): 363-365)

- 3)**D. Pectasides, M. Nikolaou, D. Farmakis, I. Kanakis, A Gaglia, **P. Kountourakis**, N.K. Karamanos, T. Economopoulos, S.A. Raptis
Clinical Value of Bone Remodelling Markers in Patients with Bone Metastases Treated with Zoledronic Acid
(Anticancer Research 2005;25:1457-1464)
- 4)**E. Papageorgiou, T. Economopoulos, S. Papageorgiou, V. Pappa, N. Xiros, P. Tsirigotis, **P. Kountourakis**, J. Dervenoulas, S. Raptis
Treatment of high risk myelodysplastic syndromes and acute myeloid leukaemia following MDS with idarubicin and cytosine arabinoside supported by granulocyte-macrophage colony stimulating factor: a single center experience
(Haema 2005; 8(2): 262-268)
- 5)**E. Papageorgiou, S. Valsami, **P. Kountourakis**, T. Argyrakos, S. Papageorgiou, T. Economopoulos
Simultaneous presentation of acute myeloid leukemia and multiple myeloma-a rare case with poor prognosis
(Haema 2006; 9 (3): 439-442)
- 6)****P. Kountourakis**, K. Pavlakis, D. Rontogianni, N. Xiros, E. Patsouris, D. Pectasides, T. Economopoulos
Prognostic Significance of Her 3 and Her 4 protein expression in colorectal adenocarcinomas
(BMC Cancer 2006 ; 6:46)
- 7)****P. Kountourakis**, K. Pavlakis, D. Rontogianni, N. Xiros, E. Patsouris, D. Pectasides, T. Economopoulos
Clinicopathological significance of EGFR and HER-2/NEU in colorectal adenocarcinomas
(Cancer J 2006 ; vol. 12, 3, May/June, 229-236)
- 8)**A.Psyrrī*, **P. Kountourakis***, Z. Yu, C. Papadimitriou, S. Markakis, R.L. Camp, T. Economopoulos, M.A. Dimopoulos
Analysis of p53 Protein Expression Levels on Ovarian Cancer Tissue Microarray using Automated Quantitative Analysis (AQUA) elucidates Prognostic Patient Subsets
(Annals of Oncology 2007 ; Apr;18(4):709-715)
- 9)**A.Ardavanis, **P. Kountourakis**, S.Maliou, M.Vassilakopoulou, S.Basioukas, F.Kyriakou, S. Koumna, G.Rigatos
Gemcitabine and oral vinorelbine as salvage treatment in patients with advanced anthracycline- and taxane-pretreated advanced breast cancer
(Anticancer Res. 2007 Jul-Aug;27(4C):2989-2992)
- 10)**K. Pavlakis, **P. Kountourakis**, E. Stathopoulos, D. Rontogianni,

M. Kafousi, M. Derivianaki, N. Xiros, D. Pectasides, T. Economopoulos
HER-2/neu protein expression, cellular localization and gene amplification in colorectal carcinoma
(Applied Immunohistochemistry and Molecular Morphology 2007; 15(4):441-445)

11) P. Kountourakis, A. Ardavanis, I. Mantzaris, D. Mitsaka, G. Rigatos
Urachal Mucinous Adenocarcinoma : A Case Report
(J BUON 2007; 12(4):547-548)

12) A.Ardavanis, P. Kountourakis, G.Orphanos, G.Rigatos
Low doses of capecitabine in breast cancer patients with symptomatic bone marrow infiltration: a case study
(Anticancer Res. 2008 Jan-Feb;28(1B):539-541)

13) A.Koumarianou A, P.Kountourakis, T.Economopoulos .
Vaccine strategies in the treatment of low-grade non-Hodgkin lymphoma
(J Steroid Biochem Mol Biol. 2008 Apr;109(3-5):230-232)

14)A.Ardavanis, P.Kountourakis, F.Kyriakou, S.Malliou, I.Mantzaris, A. Garoufali, I.Yiotis, A. Scorilas, N.Baziotis, G.Rigatos
Trastuzumab plus taxane as salvage therapy for heavily pre-treated relapsed HER2 negative/ HER2-ECD positive metastatic breast cancer
(Oncologist- 2008 Apr;13(4):361-369)

15) P. Kountourakis, K. Kandylis, D. Daskalopoulou, G. Rigatos
Sarcomatoid differentiation of renal cell carcinoma : a clinical case with literature review
(J BUON - 2008 Apr-Jun;13(2):281-3)

16) Psyrra A. *, P. Kountourakis *, A. Scorilas, S. Markakis, D. Kowalski, R.Camp, E.P.Diamandis, M.A. Dimopoulos
Human Tissue Kallikrein 7, a novel biomarker for advanced ovarian carcinoma using a novel in-situ quantitative method of protein expression
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17) A. Ardavanis, D. Doufexis, P. Kountourakis, G. Rigatos
A Kaposi's sarcoma complete clinical response after sorafenib administration
(Ann Oncol 2008 Sep;19(9):1658-9)

18)P. Kountourakis, A. Psyrra, A. Scorilas, S. Markakis, D. Kowalski, R.Camp, E.P.Diamandis, M.A. Dimopoulos
Prognostic value of human kallikrein 6 protein expression levels in advanced ovarian cancer evaluated by automated quantitative analysis
(Clinical Sci 2008 Nov;99(11):2224-9)

- 19)** A. Garoufali, F. Kyriakou, **P. Kountourakis**, I. Yioti, S. Malliou, A. Nikaki, E.Kardara, I.Frangos, S.Koumna, N.Baziotis, A. Scorilas, A. Ardavanis
ECD-HER2: A useful marker for the initial workup and follow-up of HER-2 positive breast cancer
(J BUON 2008 Jul-Sep;13(3):409-13)
- 20)** A.Ardavanis,**P.Kountourakis**,I.Mantzaris,S.Malliou,D.Doufexis,M. Thomopoulos, D. Sykoutri, I. Fragos, G. Rigatos
Bevacizumab added to the irinotecan and capecitabine combination for advanced colorectal cancer: an active, well-tolerated and convenient regimen
(Anticancer Res 2008 Sep-Oct;28(5B):3087-92)
- 21)** **P.Kountourakis**, N.ArnoGiannaki, I.StavriniDes, N.ApostoliKas, G.Rigatos
Concomitant presentation of a gastric adenocarcinoma and gastrointestinal stromal tumor in a woman with polymyalgia rheumatica : a case report and review of the literature .
(World J Gastroenterol 2008 Nov 21;14(43):6750-2)
- 22)** **P. Kountourakis**, A. PsyrrI, A. Scorilas, S. Markakis, D. Kowalski,R.Camp, E.P.Diamandis , M.A. Dimopoulos
Prognostic significance of human kallikrein 8 protein expression levels in advanced ovarian cancer by using automated quantitative analysis
(Thrombostasis Haemost 2009 Mar;101(3):541-6)
- 23)** P. M. Weinberger, Z. Yu, **P. Kountourakis**, C. Sasaki, B.G. Haffty, D. Kowalski, M.A. Merkley, D.L. Rimm, R.L. Camp, A. PsyrrI
Defining Molecular Phenotypes of Human Papillomavirus Associated Oropharyngeal Squamous Cell Carcinoma: Validation of Three-class Hypothesis
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- 24)** A.Ardavanis, D. Doufexis, **P. Kountourakis**, S. Malliou, A. Karagiannis, E. Kardara, D. Sykoutri, C. Margari , G. Rigatos
Salvage therapy of pretreated advanced breast cancer with bevacizumab and paclitaxel every two weeks
(BMC Cancer 2009 Sep 23;9:338)
- 25)** A.Ardavanis, D.Sykoutri, **P. Kountourakis**, D. Doufexis, D. Korkolis, H.Tzerbini, I.Skarlatos , E. Mosa G. Rigatos
Paraneoplastic Cerebellar Degeneration in a Patient with Pseudomyxoma Peritonei and Breast Cancer: Case Report and a Literature Review
(InVivo 2009 Sep-Oct;23(5):835-838)
- 26)** A. Ardavanis, **P.Kountourakis**, A.Karayiannis, D. Doufexis, A. Tzovaras, G.Rigatos
Biweekly Gemcitabine (GEM) in Combination with Erlotinib (ERL): an active and convenient regimen for advanced pancreatic cancer
(Anticancer Res 2009 Dec;29(12):5211-5217)

27) N. Arnogiannaki, I. Martzoukou, **P. Kountourakis**, E. Dimitriadis, A. Papathanasaki, E. Nastoulis, M. Gazalidou, A. Fida, N. Apostolikas, N. J. Agnantis
Synchronous presentation of GISTS and other primary neoplasms: a single center experience
(In Vivo 2010 Jan-Feb;24(1):109-115)

28) T. Rampias, E. Boutati, C. Sasaki, **P. Kountourakis**, P. Weinberger, A. Psyri
Activation of Wnt signaling pathway by Human Papillomavirus (HPV) E6 and E7 oncogenes in HPV16+ oropharyngeal squamous carcinoma cells
(Molecular Cancer Research 2010 Mar;8(3):433-443)

29) E. Pectasides, Ann Marie Egloff, **P. Kountourakis**, C. Sasaki, B. Burtness, G. Fountzilas, U. Dafni, T. Zamboukas, D. Rimm, J. Grandis, A. Psyri
Nuclear Localization of Signal Transducer and Activator of Transcription 3 (STAT3) in Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma Is Associated with a Better Prognosis
(Clin Cancer Res 2010 Apr 15;16(8):2427-2434)

30) **P.Kountourakis**, I.Missitzis, D.Doufexis, V.Zobolas, G.Pissakas, N.Arnogiannaki, S.Maliou, A.Sotiropoulou, A.Ardavanis
Neoadjuvant sequential epirubicin and docetaxel followed by surgery-radiotherapy and post-operative docetaxel or gemcitabine/vinorelbine combination based on primary response: a multimodality approach for locally advanced breast cancer
(J Cancer Res Clin Oncol 2011;137(2):221-228)

31) **P. Kountourakis**, A. Ardavanis
Visual and hearing loss due to colorectal meningeal carcinomatosis. A case based review
(Clin Adv Hematol Oncol. 2010 Aug;8(8):567-568)

32) **P.Kountourakis**, D.Doufexis, S.Malliou, A.Karagiannis, E.Kardara, C. Margari, D.Sykoutri, A.Tzovaras, A.Ardavanis
Bevacizumab combined with 2-weekly paclitaxel as first-line therapy for metastatic breast cancer: a single-center observational study
(Anticancer Res. 2010 Jul; 30(7):2969-2971)

33) EG. Iliopoulos, **P.Kountourakis**, MV.Karamouzis, D.Doufexis, A. Ardavanis, CN.Baxevanis, G.Rigatos, M.Papamichail, SA.Perez
A phase I trial of adoptive transfer of allogeneic natural killer (NK) cells in patients (pts) with advanced non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)
(Cancer Immunol Immunother. 2010 Dec;59(12):1781-1789)

34) **P.Kountourakis**, AM.Correa, WL.Hofstetter, JH.Lee, MS.Bhutani, DC.Rice, R. Komaki, DM.Maru, WA.Ross, A.Vaporciyan, SG.Swisher, JA.Ajani

Combined modality therapy of cT2N0M0 esophageal cancer: the University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center experience
(Cancer 2011; 117(5):925-930)

35) E.Pectasides, T. Rampias, **P. Kountourakis**, C.Sasaki, D. Kowalski, G. Fountzilas, T. Zaramboukas, D. Rimm,B. Burtness, A. Psyrri
Comparative Prognostic Value of Epidermal Growth Factor (EGFR) Quantitative Protein Expression Compared With Fluorescent In Situ Hybridization for Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma (HNSCC)
(Clin Cancer Res 2011; 17(9):2947-2954)

36) K.Papademetriou, A.Ardavanis, **P.Kountourakis**
Neoadjuvant therapy for locally advanced breast cancer: focus on chemotherapy and biological targeted treatments' armamentarium
(J Thorac Dis 2010; 3:160-170)

37) **P.Kountourakis**, K.Papademetriou, A.Ardavanis, D.Papamichael
Barrett's esophagus: treatment or observation of a major precursor factor for esophageal cancer?
(J BUON 2011; 16(3):425-430)

38) F.Kyriakou, **P.Kountourakis**, D.Papamichael
Targeted agents: review of toxicity in the elderly metastatic colorectal cancer patients
(Targeted Oncol 2011 Dec;6(4):245-251)

39) Vassiliou V, Papamichael D, Lutz S, Eracleous E, **Kountourakis** P, Polyviou P, Michaelides I, Shoukris M, Andreopoulos D
Presacral Extramedullary Hematopoiesis in a Patient with Rectal Adenocarcinoma: Report of a Case and Literature Review
(J Gastrointest Cancer. 2012 Feb 10)

40) Papadimitriou K, Vassiliou V, **Kountourakis** P, Polyviou P, Andreopoulos D, Papamichael D
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Bilateral de quervain syndrome after aromatase inhibitor administration: a case report and review of the literature
(Case Report Med. 2012;2012:810428)

42) **Kountourakis** P, Dokou A, Kardara E, Kaltsas S, Doufexis D, Tzovaras A, Mourgela S, Ardavanis A

Bevacizumab Therapy May Contribute to Irradiation Deferral in Patients With Breast Cancer and With Central Nervous System Metastases: Findings of a Case Series
(Clin Breast Cancer. 2012 May 19)

43) Kountourakis P, Ajani JA, Davila M, Lee JH, Bhutani MS, Izzo JG
Barrett's Esophagus: A Review of Biology and Therapeutic Approaches
(Gastrointest Cancer Res. 2012 Mar;5(2):49-57)