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### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **EDUCATION**

-Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb, Croatia

1999 Ph.D. (biology)

1993 M.Sc. (biology)

1990 B.Sc. (biology, molecular biology)

#### **POSITION**

-since 1990 - Department of Biology, Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb, Croatia

since 2013 - Associate Professor;

2004-2013 - Assistant Professor:

2000-2004 - Assistant;

1995-1999 - Researcher

1990-1995 - Junior Researcher

## **RESEARCH ACTIVITY**

## Research projects

a) Researcher on the projects funded by the Croatian Ministry of Science, Education and Sports of the Republic of Croatia (MZOS)

2007-2013 "Molecular responses of Croatian endemic and rare plant species to stress" (principal investigator: B. Pevalek-Kozlina)

2007-2013 "Organization and function of plant cells and tissues upon the oxidative stress" (principal investigator: H. Lepeduš)

2002-2006 "Stress condition effect on Croatian endemic and endangered plant species" (principal investigator: B. Pevalek-Kozlina)

1996-2002 "Effects of chemicals on physiological processes in plants" (principal investigator I. Regula)

1992-1996 junior researcher on the project "Investigation of some plant hormones in plant development" (principal investigator: I. Regula)

## b) Other projects

June-November 2011 – cooperation on the project BICRO (PoC): "System for measurement of oxygen and hydrogen produced by metabolism of single-cell photosynthetic organisms.

1999 – cooperation with University of Cologne, entitled "Verification of xenobiotica removal from contaminated water by constructed wetlands with Lemna test"

1997-2000 — leader of the project for young investigators funded by MZOS "Evaluation of oil industry waste waters and chemicals toxicity by plant test systems"

#### **Publications**

Number of scientific papers: 25 in research journals (14 in *Current Contents* journals); 6 scientific papers in conference proceedings

Number of citations (Web of Science): 205 (February 2015), h-index = 7

**List of publications at** http://bib.irb.hr/lista-radova?autor=177161

#### **TEACHING ACTIVITIES**

-since 1990 at the Department of Biology, Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb

## Undergraduate study

2004 – obligatory course "Plant Physiology" for undergraduate students of Molecular Biology

1990 – laboratory exercises in "Plant Physiology" for students of Biology

2008 – elective course "Metabolism of plants under stress conditions" for undergraduate students of Molecular Biology

2007 – elective course "Bioassays" for undergraduate students of Molecular Biology

## Graduate study

2010 - elective course "Structure and Function of Photosynthetic Membranes" for graduate students of Molecular Biology

2009 - elective course "Stress physiology and Defence Mechanisms in Plants" for graduate students of Experimental Biology

## Postgraduate study

2008 – "Interaction of Plants and Environment" - postgraduate study programme - biology

2006 – "Molecular Mechanisms of Plant responses to stress" - postgraduate study programme - biology

### Mentorship

-supervisor of one Doctoral Thesis, one Master Thesis, 9 Graduate Theses and 10 Baccalaureus Theses

#### PROFESSIONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES

## Membership and activities in science organisations

Croatian Society of Plant Biologists

**Croatian Biological Society** 

Croatian Toxicological Society

Federation of European Societies of Plant Biology (FESPB)

1995-1997 - treasurer of Croatian Society of Plant Physiologists

2007 2009 - president of Croatian Society of Plant Physiologists (since 2009 Croatian Society of Plant Biologists)

# Other activities

- -since 2013 technical editor of the journal Acta Botanica Croatica
- -since 2000 member of organizing committee of three home scientific meetings; member of scientific committee of two home and one international meeting.