## Dr Ivanka Jerić

#### **Personal information**

Born September 30, 1970, Zagreb, Croatia; maiden name Žigrović; married, one child (2003).

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#### Education

2000 - PhD in chemistry/organic chemistry at the Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb

1997 - M. Sc in chemistry/organic chemistry at the Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb

1994 - B. Sc. degree in chemistry at the Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb

#### **Current position**

2023 – Tenured Senior Scientist (equivalent to Full professor), Ruđer Bošković Institute, Division of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry

2018 - Assistant Director of the Ruđer Bošković Institute

2016 – Head of the Laboratory for Biomimetic Chemistry, Division of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry, Ruđer Bošković Institute

#### **Previous positions**

2017-2023: Senior Scientist (equivalent to Full professor), Ruđer Bošković Institute, Division of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry

2011-2017: Senior Research Associate, Ruđer Bošković Institute, Division of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry. Work field: organic chemistry, synthesis and characterization of peptidomimetics

2002-2011: Research Associate, Ruđer Bošković Institute, Division of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry. Work field: organic chemistry, synthesis and characterization of peptidomimetics

2000-2002: Senior Assistant - Scientific Novice, Ruđer Bošković Institute, Division of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry. Work field: organic chemistry, synthesis and characterization of peptidomimetics

1997-2000: Assistant- Scientific Novice - Ruđer Bošković Institute, Division of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry. Work field: organic chemistry, synthesis and characterization (NMR spectroscopy and mass spectrometry) of peptides and glycopeptides

1994-1997: Young Assistant- Scientific Novice - Ruđer Bošković Institute, Division of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry. Work field: organic chemistry, synthesis and characterization of peptides and glycopeptides

#### Professional activities and duties

2018 - Assistant Director of the Ruđer Bošković Institute



**2016 –** 2018 Assistant Director for structural funds

**2012** – Coordinator of the RBI Steering committee for structural funds (2012-2018): Dr Jerić coordinates the preparation and implementation of Institute's key infrastructural project "Open scientific infrastructural platforms for innovative applications in economy and society "(O-ZIP) financed by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) (value approx. 100 MEUR).

**2009 – 2011** Member of the RBI Committee for evaluation and reorganization: initiated by the RBI Director and aimed to help RBI transformation into scientifically more prominent and coherent institute.

2008 - 2013 Treasurer of the Croatian Chemical Society

2010. Coordinator of the Organizing Committee of RBI "Open days"

2007-2009 Organizer of the Division OCB seminars

## Fellowships and awards

2015. RBI Special award for outstanding contribution and excellent results

2014. Golden Award for patent at the  $12^{th}$  International Innovation Exhibition

2012. RBI Annual Award for granted patent.

2010. RBI Annual Award for paper published in journal with high impact factor.

2001. Krka Prize Winner (International award given by pharmaceutical company Krka, Novo Mesto, Slovenia)

2001 University of Science and Technology, Department of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry, Hong Kong, China (visiting scientist)

1995 Utrecht Institute for Pharmaceutical Sciences, Department for Medicinal Chemistry, Utrecht, The Netherlands (fellowship)

## Supervision of doctoral and postdoctoral students

**2016-2020** Doctoral student Mladena Glavaš (organic chemistry); Doctoral Thesis "Enediyne compounds in multicomponent reactions". Currently PostDoc at the RBI

**2011-2018** Doctoral student Lidija Brkljačić (analytical chemistry); Doctoral Thesis "Synthesis and evaluation of peptide-based hydrazines for derivatization of carbonyl compounds; development of HPLC-MS/MS method". Currently Professional Advisor at the RBI

**2012-2016** Doctoral student Josipa Suć Sajko (organic chemistry); Doctoral Thesis "Synthesis of peptidomimetics based on hydrazino derivatives of natural amino acids". Currently Professional Advisor at the RBI

**2005-2010** Doctoral student Matija Gredičak (organic chemistry); Doctoral Thesis "Design and synthesis of enediyne-peptide conjugates". Currently Group Leader at the RBI

**2016-2018** Postdoc student Kristina Vlahoviček Kahlina; Development of carbohydratebased building blocks and synthesis of glycomimetics by multicomponent reactions. Currently Professional Advisor at the Faculty of Agronomy, Unversity of Zagreb

**2010-2012** Postdoc student Matija Gredičak; Development of enediyne-based tweezers and cyclic compounds. Currently Group Leader at the RBI

Currently supervisor of 3 PhD students

2004-2023 Supervisor of 11 Diploma Theses: Faculty of Science, Faculty of Chemical Engineering and Technology, Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, University of Zagreb

## **Teaching activities**

Teaching title: Full professor at the University of Rijeka (2021-).

**2010-today:** Postgraduate PhD Study in Organic Chemistry, *Course (elective)*: Synthesis of peptides/proteins and their conjugates, University of Zagreb

**2011 -today**: PhD Study in Medicinal Chemistry (organized by RBI, University of Rijeka and Fidelta Zagreb. *Course (mandatory)*: Methods in peptide, carbohydrate and nucleoside synthesis.

Course (elective): Synthesis of peptides/proteins and their conjugates

## Organization of scientific meetings

**2017, June 25-28:** Xth Joint Meeting of Medicinal Chemistry, Dubrovnik, Croatia. Dr. Jerić was member of the Organizing Committee.

**2016**, **May 11-12**: New Platforms for Molecular Solutions in Research and Development. Dr. Jerić was Coordinator of the Organizing Committee. 2-Days workshop; 106 participants, 22 lectures

**2016**, **April 24-28**: The 'Game of Epigenomics' Conference, Dubrovnik, Croatia. Dr. Jerić was Coordinator of the Organizing Committee. 5-Days workshop; 98 participants, 34 lectures.

**2015, November 16-18**: The InnoMol Genomics & Bioinformatics Workshop, Zagreb, Croatia. Dr. Jerić was Coordinator of the Organizing Committee. 3-Days workshop; 93 participants, 11 lectures and hands-on session.

**2015, June 1-3:** The InnoMol Molecular Interactions Workshop, Zagreb, Croatia. Dr. Jerić was Coordinator of the Organizing Committee. 3-Days workshop; 87 participants, 8 lectures and hands-on session.

**2015, April 26-29:** 3rd Croatian Microscopy Congress, Zadar, Croatia. Dr. Jerić was Coordinator of the Organizing Committee. 4 Days conference; 94 participants, 32 lectures.

**2014, October 22-24:** The InnoMol Bioimaging Workshop, Zagreb, Croatia. Dr. Jerić was Coordinator of the Organizing Committee. 3-Days workshop; 120 participants, 9 lectures and hands-on session.

**2014, April 7-9:** The InnoMol Proteomics Workshop, Zagreb, Croatia. Dr. Jerić was Coordinator of the Organizing Committee. 3-Days workshop; 82 participants, 11 lectures and hands-on session.

**2003, September 10–15**: 13th European Symposium on Organic Chemistry (ESOC 2003), Cavtat, Croatia. Dr. Jerić was a member of the Organizing Committee. The symposium has brought together more than 400 participants; 13 plenary lectures, 23 invited lectures and 46 oral presentations, 251 poster presentations.

# Memberships

Member of the European Peptide Society: scientific association (1998-)

Member of the Croatian Chemical Society: scientific association (1998-)

## Additional trainings

RER/0/031 Regional Workshop on Communication the Relevance of Research and Development for Stakeholders' Priorities, 29. 3.-1. 4. 2011. Vienna, Austria

Innovation and Entrepreneurship Workshop, 8. 3. 2012. Zagreb, Croatia (Presenter: Dr Lisa Cowey MBA PG Cert IP T3I Oxford UK)

## Projects

**2023-2027** HRZZ project: "Increasing the conformational diversity of peptides with non-proteinogenic amino acids" **principal investigator** 

**2020-2027** ERDF project "Open Scientific Infrastructural Platforms for Innovative Applications in Economy and Society" (O-ZIP) **project coordinator** 

**2020-2023** RDI project: "Development of innovative formulations of clinical nutrition" is conducted in collaboration with pharmaceutical company Belupo, **project coordinator** 

**2020-2023** RDI project: "ONE – Research and development of the new generation meals for the survival" **associate** 

**2016-2018** RDI project: "Cedevita Healthy OTG – Development of a new, healthier and low-calorie vitamin instant drink" **associate** 

**2016-2017** CRO-AUT bilateral project: "Expanding the chemical space by glycomimetic structures" **principal investigator** 

**2015-2019** HRZZ project: "The assembly of peptidomimetics by multicomponent reactions" **principal investigator** 

**2013-2016** FP7- REGPOT-2012-2013-1 project: "Enhancement of the Innovation Potential in SEE through new Molecular Solutions in Research and Development", **WP leader** 

**2013-2015** HRZZ project "Nonlinear sparse component analysis with applications in chemometrics and pathology", **associate** 

**2007-2012** MSES project "Chemical modifications of natural compounds", associate; (PI Dr. Lidija Varga Defterdarović (Dr. Štefica Horvat))

**2002-2006** MSES project "Design and synthesis of biologically active peptides, glycopeptides and biomarkers", associate; (PI Dr. Štefica Horvat)

**1996-2002** MSES project "Development of receptor-selective analogs of bioactive peptides", associate (PI Dr. Štefica Horvat)

**1994-1996** MSES project "Synthesis and properties of bioactive glycoconjugates", associate; (PI Dr. Štefica Horvat)

MSES = Ministry of Science, Education and Sports

HRZZ = Croatian Science Foundation

## Invited talks

2024: "Synthesis of non-proteinogenic amino acids, Organska kemija u Hrvatskoj, Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Zagreb, Croatia

2023: "Synthesis of non-proteinogenic amino acids", 8<sup>th</sup> Symposium of chemistry students, Zagreb, Croatia

2021: "Multicomponent reactions towards new amino acid scaffolds", Institute of Chemistry, Technology and Metallurgy, Belgrade, Serbia.

2021 "NMR spectroscopy in elucidation of stereoselectivity of multicomponent reactions" Adriatic NMR, Primošten, Croatia.

2019: "How to mimic Nature" Summer School of Science, Požega, Croatia.

2018. TAIEX Workshop on Amino Acid Analysis in Different Products, Cairo, Egypt.

2017: "Multicomponent approach to natural product-like compounds" XXV. Croatian Meeting of Chemists and Chemical Engineers. Poreč, Croatia.

2016: "Tailoring peptidomimetics for different functions" *22. Slovenian chemical days,* Ljubljana, Slovenia

2016: "Functional Peptidomimetics: From Catalysis to Interactions with Biomolecules" Shanghai Institute of Organic Chemistry, Shanghai, China

2009: "Application of HPLC-MS in biotechnology research" *1st International Symposium of Biotech Students,* Zagreb, Croatia

2007: "Enediyne peptidomimetics" XX. Croatian Meeting of Chemists and Chemical Engineers. Zagreb, Croatia

2001: "Glycopeptide mimetics as "puzzles" in understanding the biological phenomena" XXXI. Krka Prize. XI. International symposium. Novo mesto, Slovenia

## List of publications

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- 6. Glavaš, M., Gredičak, M., Štefanić, Z., **Jerić, I.**\* Synthesis of 14-membered enediyne-embedded macrocycles. *Org. Biomol. Chem.* 20 (2022) 3823-3834.
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- 11. Vlahoviček-Kahlina, K., Štefanić, Z., Vazdar, K., **Jerić, I.**\* N-Alkylated C-Glycosyl Amino Acid Derivatives: Synthesis by a One-Pot Four-Component Ugi Reaction. *Chempluschem*, **85** (2020), 838–844.
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