

# Curriculum Vitae

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name and surname	<b>OLIVER VUGREK</b>
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## WORK EXPERIENCE

Date (from – until)	2016 - present
Institution	Rudjer Boskovic Institute, Division of Molecular Medicine, Zagreb, Croatia
Position	Head, Laboratory for advanced genomics
Date (from – until)	2012 - 2015
Institution	Rudjer Boskovic Institute, Division of Molecular Medicine, Zagreb, Croatia
Position	Head, Division of Molecular Medicine
Work field	Biomedicine and Health
Date (from – until)	2009 - 2012
Institution	Rudjer Boskovic Institute, Division of Molecular Medicine, Zagreb, Croatia
Position	Research associate, Head of Translational Medicine Group
Work field	Molecular and Cell Biology
Date (from – until)	2006-2008:
Institution	Rudjer Boskovic Institute, Division of Molecular Medicine, Zagreb, Croatia
Position	Research associate, Head of Molecular Pathology Laboratory
Work field	Molecular and Cell Biology
Date (from – until)	1999-2005
Institution	Rudjer Boskovic Institute, Division of Molecular Medicine, Zagreb, Croatia
Position	Senior assistant
Work field	Molecular and Cell Biology
Date (from – until)	1997-1998
Institution	Australian National University, Research School of Biological Sciences, Canberra, Australia.
Position	Postdoctoral research scientist
Work field	Molecular and Cell Biology
Date (from – until)	1996.
Institution	Max-Planck-Institute for Cell Biology, Ladenburg, Germany.
Position	Postdoctoral fellow

Work field	Molecular and Cell Biology
Date (from – until)	1992-1995
Institution	Max-Planck-Institute for Cell Biology, Ladenburg, Germany.
Position	Doctoral fellow
Work field	Molecular and Cell Biology

#### EDUCATION

Date	1995
Place	Heidelberg, Germany.
Institution	Ruprechts Karl University of Heidelberg, Germany
Title of qualification awarded	PhD (magna cum laude) in Biology
Date	1992
Place	Ulm, Germany.
Institution	Albert Einstein University of Ulm, Germany.
Title of qualification awarded	Degree (Diploma) in Biology
Date	1985
Place	Marbach, Germany
Institution	Friedrich-Schiller-Gymnasium Marbach
Title of qualification awarded	Final exam (Abitur)

#### TRAINING

Year	2012
Place	Karlsruhe, Germany
Institution	Agilent Technologies
Subject and skills covered	Certificate of Achievement za 'Cytogenomics Software familiarization, introduction to algorithms and application to clinical cases interpretation'
Year	2011
Place	Vienna, Austria
Institution	IAEA-WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organization)
Subject and skills covered	Certificate for advanced Innovation, Technology Transfer and Successful Technology Licensing in Research & Development Institutions
Year	2010
Place	Vienna, Austria
Institution	IAEA-WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organization)
Subject and skills covered	Certificate for Innovation Promotion, Technology Transfer and Successful Technology Licensing
Year	1997-1998
Place	Canberra, Australia
Institution	Australian National University, RSBS, Canberra, Australia
Subject and skills covered	Genetics, molecular and cell biology, biochemistry, recombinant DNA technology; microscopy
Year	1996
Place	Ladenburg, Germany
Institution	Max-Planck-Institute for Cell Biology
Subject and skills covered	Genetics, molecular and cell biology, biochemistry, recombinant DNA technology, microscopy
Year	1992-1995.
Place	Ladenburg, Germany
Institution	Max-Planck-Institute for Cell Biology
Subject and skills covered	molecular and cell biology, recombinant DNA technology, microscopy

<b>MOTHER TONGUE</b>	<b>Croatian</b>
<b>ENGLISH LANGUAGE</b>	
Speaking	Very good
Writing	Very good
Reading	Very good

**OTHER FOREIGN LANGUAGES**

Language	<b>German</b>
Speaking	Excellent (mother tongue)
Writing	Excellent (mother tongue)
Reading	Excellent (mother tongue)

**RESEARCH AND OTHER PROJECTS****(LEADER AND ASSOCIATES; FUNDING SOURCE)**

**2025-2028:** EASIGEN-DS Design study for a European infrastructure on advanced genomics technologies (Proposal ID 101187908). HORIZON-INFRA-2024-DEV-01. Budget 3M EUR (IRB 70.000,00 EUR). Project start 02/2025.

**2024-2028:** GOE - Genome of Europe. DIGITAL-2023-CLOUD-AI-04-GENOME (ID: 101168231). 01.10.2024 - 01.04.2028). Budget 40M EUR (IRB 610.000,00 EUR).

**2024-2025:** NPOO 'Dokazivanje inovativnog koncepta - Drugi Poziv', C3.2.R3-I1.05 projekt "Dokazivanje inovativnog koncepta za karakterizaciju genskih varijanti nepoznatog značaja (VUS)". Budget 66.000,00 EUR.

**2022-2026:** GDI - Genomic Data Infrastructure, funded from the European Union's Digital Europe Programme under grant agreement number 101081813; 40 million EUR, Principal investigator

2019-2023: HRZZ IP IP-2018-01-5632: Molecular aspects of pathogenic processes in AHCY deficiency (Croatian Science Foundation); 985.340,48 HRK; Principal investigator

2019-2022: Centre of competence in molecular diagnostics (CEKOM); 2.204.739,05 HRK (**PI**: Oliver Vugrek).

2018-2020: Integrated test for identification of genetic changes linked to infertility (Genom-IGT) ; collaborator 928.819,30 HRK.

2013-2016: FP7-REGPOT-2012-2013-1 **Project Coordinator** - Enhancement of the Innovation Potential in SEE through new Molecular Solutions in Research and Development. Grant agreement no: 316289 (Project start 1.6.2013; EUR 4,738,978).

2013: FP7 PRIME-XS-consortium project grant: SILAC analysis of human S-Adenosyl homocysteine hydrolase deficiency (**PI**: Oliver Vugrek).

2012-2013: DAAD bilateral grant. Research Project 'SAHH deficiency: Epigenetic characterization of a novel human methylation disorder' (**PI's**: Dr. Oliver Vugrek and Dr. Ulrich Zechner (Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Germany). (poject granted: URBROJ: 533-06-12-0002).

2010-2012: **Project leader** for grant of IPA Regional Development Component in Croatia between Institute Rudjer Boškovic and Medical Faculty Zagreb (EUR 491,485):'Creation of research related infrastructure for Translational Medicine and Applied Genomics.

2010-2011: DAAD bilateral grant. Research Project 'AHCY deficiency: Proteomics of a new methylation disorder in human' (**PI's**: Dr. Oliver Vugrek and Dr. Gerhard Mittler (Max-Planck-Institute for Immunobiology, Freiburg, Germany).

2009-2010: CROATIA-ISRAEL JOINT RESEARCH PROGRAM (USD 100,000 for 2 years; 03-1209/1-2009); Research project 'Molecular dynamics of S-Adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase (AHCY) and its role in regulation of gene expression (**PI's**: Dr. Oliver Vugrek and Dr. Yaron Shav-Tal (Bar-Ilan University, Ramat Gan, Israel).

2007-2012: **Project leader** Croatian Ministry of Science and Technology project 098-0000000-2463 (EUR 15,000/year); Research Project: 'S-Adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase (AHCY) deficiency: Molecular Mechanisms of a new human disease' (**PI** Dr. Oliver Vugrek).

2009: **Project leader** Croatia – France bilateral grant (2 month staff exchange; 15.10 - 15. 12. 2009) for the project: S-Adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase (AHCY) and its role in methylation.

2002-2007: **Project leader** Competitive grant from from the Croatian Ministry of Sciences (Grant 0098086; 10,000 EUR per year).

**TEACHING****(UNDERGRADUATE, GRADUATE , POSTGRADUATE STUDY PROGRAMMES)**

since 2003: Leader of courses 'From disease to gene – from gene to function: Role of recombinant proteins in functional genomics, and Translational Medicine – From disease to gene (Postgraduate lecturer at the Medical Faculty Zagreb)

since 2008: Leader of course 'omics' methods: Application in research of new disorders  
(Postgraduate lecturer at the Natural Sciences and Mathematics Faculty Zagreb)

**MENTORSHIP OF DEFENDED DOCTORAL AND MASTER DISSERTATIONS****AND TRAINING OF YOUNG RESEARCHERS AND SCIENTISTS**

Doctoral dissertations:

Ivana Tlak Gajger: PhD obtained 26. 02. 2010

Robert Belužić: PhD obtained 24. 05. 2010.

Lucija Kovačević: PhD obtained 12.6.2017

Filip Rokić: PhD obtained 19.06.2024.

Ivana Pavičić: PhD obtained 26.6.2024.

Masters dissertations

Ivana Mijić 02. 11. 2006

Maja Regović; 21. 12 2007

Atida Selmani; 21. 12. 2007

Mirjana Polović: 12. 02. 2013

Filip Rokić: 29.2.2016

Martina Sajfert: 23. 02. 2018

Ena Šimunić: 17.02.2020

**AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

Award by director of Rudjer Boskovic Institute of for exceptional contribution to research at RBI in 2010

**ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCES****(ORGANIZATION OF HOME AND INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE EVENTS )**

Organizer of International Conference 'Game of Epigenomics, April 24 - 28, 2016, Dubrovnik, Croatia.

Co-organizer of the 3rd Croatian Microscopy Congress with international participation April 26 - 29, 2015, Zadar, Croatia.

Organizer of workshops and minisymposia at Ruđer Bošković Institute, Zagreb, Croatia (100 participants each):

- Proteomics Workshop, April 7-9, 2014
- Bioimaging Workshop: October 20-22, 2014.
- Molecular Interactions Workshop, June 1-3, 2015.
- Genomics & Bioinformatics Workshop, November 16-18, 2015
- New Platforms for Molecular Solutions in Research and Development: May 11-12, 2016

Minisymposium:

- 'Opening of the Next Generation Sequencing Facility', March 26, 2016
- INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL SUMMER SCHOOL IN MOLECULAR MEDICINE, SIGNAL TRANSDUCTION, COURSE No. 5; Dubrovnik, Croatia, 28. 05.- 02. 06.2000

**MEMBERSHIP IN SCIENCE ORGANIZATIONS AND BODIES****(CHRONOLOGICALLY; HOME AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND BODIES)**

2005 Croatian Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

2008 Croatian Society of Human Genetics

**COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND WORK GROUPS****(CHRONOLOGICALLY; HOME AND INTERNATIONAL)**

2010- Committee for intellectual property of the Rudjer Bošković Institute

2012-2021 Member of the evaluation committee for institutional support for projects, University of Rijeka  
 2014-2016 Member of the board of the Croatian Science Foundation for project evaluation  
 2016- Board member of the Croatian Science Foundation for monitoring projects in the field of natural sciences.  
 2017 – member of the FEBS Fellowships Committee (until 12/2020)  
 2020 - member of the Commission for the implementation of the declaration on cooperation towards obtaining at least one million sequenced genomes of the EU by 2022.  
 2020 - National representative of the special group 'Signatories of the Declaration of cooperation 'Towards access to at least 1 million sequenced genomes in the EU by 2022'.  
 2021 – National representative of the Republic of Croatia in the working group 1+MG WG12 The Genome of Europe (GoE) at the European Commission.

#### SCIENTIFIC PAPERS

1. Menzel D, Vugrek O, Frank S, Elsner-Menzel C: Protein phosphatase 2A, a potential regulator of actin dynamics and organelle motility in the green alga *Acetabularia*. European Journal of Cell Biology 1995, 67: 179-187. (IF 3.31; Q3; Citations 11)
2. Whittington A T, Vugrek O, Wei K, Hasenbein N G, Sugimoto K, Rashbrooke M C, Wasteneys G O: MOR1 is essential for organizing cortical microtubules in plants. Nature 2001, 411: 610-613. (IF 34.48; Q1; Citations=238).
3. **Vugrek O**, Moepps B: Hamy3, a novel type 100kD myosin from sunflower. Journal of Experimental Botany 2002, 53: 769-771. (IF 4.27; Q1; Citations=4).
4. **Vugrek O**, Menzel D and Frank S: Suppressor tRNA mediated bacterial expression system for *Acetabularia* genes containing UAA and UAG glutamine codons. Phycologia 2002, 41: 590-593. (IF 1.22; Q2; Citations=1).
5. **Vugrek O\*** (2003). Ten years of plant myosin genetics. Review. Periodicum Biologorum 105 (3): 229-236
6. **Vugrek O\***, Moepps B and Schraudolf H (2003). Poly(A)-binding proteins from the fern *Anemia phyllitidis*. Periodicum Biologorum 105 (3): 251-256.
7. **Vugrek O**, Sawitzky H, Menzel D: Class XIII myosins from the green alga *Acetabularia*: Driving force in organelle transport and tip growth? Journal of Muscle Research and Cell Motility 2003, 24 (1): 87-97. (IF 1.66; Q4; Citations=8).
8. Barić I, Fumić K, Glenn B, Ćuk M, Schulze A, Finkelstein J D, Jill James S, Mejaški-Bošnjak V, Pažanin L, Pogribny I P, Radoš M, Sarnavka V, Šćukanec-Špoljar M, Allen R H, Stabler S, Uzelac L, Vugrek O, Wagner C, Zeisel S, Mudd H: S-adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase deficiency in a human: A genetic disorder of methionine metabolism. PNAS USA 2004, 101(12): 4234-4239. (IF 9.73; Q1; Citations=82).
9. Barić I, Ćuk M, Fumić K, Vugrek O, Allen RH, Glenn B, Maradin M, Pazanin L, Pogribny I, Rados M, Sarnavka V, Schulze A, Stabler S, Wagner C, Zeisel SH, and Mudd SH: S-Adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase deficiency: A second patient, the younger brother of the index patient, and outcomes during therapy. Journal of Inherited Metabolic Disease 2005, 28(6): 885 – 902. (IF 4.07; Q1; Citations=35).
10. Buist NRM, Glenn B, Vugrek O, Wagner C, Stabler S, Allen RH, Pogribny I, Schulze A, Zeisel SH, Baric I, and Mudd SH: S-Adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase deficiency in a 26-year-old man. Journal of Inherited Metabolic Disease 2006; 29: 538-545. (IF 4.07; Q1; Citations=28).
11. Belužić R, Ćuk M, Pavkov T, Fumić K, Barić I, Mudd SH, Jurak I, **Vugrek O**: A single mutation at tyrosine 143 of human S-adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase renders the enzyme thermosensitive and effects the oxidation state of bound co-factor NAD. Biochemical Journal 2006: 400: 245-253. (IF 5.16; Q1; Citations=9).
12. Fumić K, Belužić R, Ćuk M, Pavkov T, Kloor D, Barić I, Mijić I, **Vugrek O**: Functional analysis of human S-adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase isoforms SAHH-2 and SAHH-3. European Journal of Human Genetics 2007: 15, 347-351. (IF 4.319; Q1; Citations=4).
13. Beluzic R, Cuk M, Pavkov T, Baric I, and **Vugrek O**: S-Adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase (AdoHcyase) deficiency: Enzymatic capabilities of human AdoHcyase are highly effected by changes to codon 89 and its surrounding residues. Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications 2008, 368: 30-36. (IF 2.6; Q3; Citations=5).
14. Tlak Gajger I, Vugrek O, Pinter Lj, Petrinec Z (2009): „Nozevit patties“ treatment of honeybees (*Apis mellifera*) for the control of Nosema disease. American Bee Journal, 149, 11; 1053-1056

15. Vugrek O, Belužić R, Nakić N, Mudd SH: S-Adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase (AHCY) deficiency: Two novel mutations with lethal outcome. *Human Mutation*, 2009; 30 (4): E555-E565. (IF 6.89; Q1; Citations=8).
16. Grubbs R, Vugrek O, Deisch J, Wagner C, Stabler S, Allen R, Barić I, Rados M, Mudd SH: S-Adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase deficiency: two siblings with fetal hydrops and fatal outcomes. *Journal of Inherited Metabolic Disease* 2010, 33 (6):705-13. (IF 4.07; Q1; Citations=6).
17. Tlak Gajger I, Vugrek O, Petrinec Z, D Grilec and Z Tomljanović (2010). Detection of Nosema ceranae in honey bees from Croatia. *Journal of Apicultural Research and Bee World* 49, 2010 (4): 340-341.
18. Tlak Gajger I, Vugrek O, D. Grilec, Z. Petrinec (2010). Prevalence and distribution of Nosema ceranae in Croatian honeybee colonies. *Veterinarni Medicina* 55, 2010 (9): 457-462.
19. Honzik T; Magner M; Krijt J; Sokolova J; Vugrek O; Beluzic R; Baric I; Hansikova H; Elleder M; Vesela K; Bauerova L; Ondruskova N; Jesina P; Zeman J; Kozich V: Clinical picture of S-adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase deficiency resembles phosphomannomutase 2 deficiency. *Molecular Genetics and Metabolism* (2012); 107 (3), 611-613. doi:10.1016/j.ymgme.2012.08.014. (IF 3.193; Q2; Citations=1).
20. Crnolatac I, Tumir LM, Lesev NY, Vasilev AA, Deligeorgiev TG, Mišković K, Glavaš-Obrovac Lj, Vugrek O, Piantanida I: Probing the Structural Properties of DNA/RNA Grooves with Sterically Restricted Phosphonium Dyes: Screening of Dye Cytotoxicity and Uptake. *ChemMedChem* 2013; DOI:10.1002/cmdc.201300085. (IF 2.835; Q2; Citations=0).
21. Perin N, Martin-Kleiner I, Nhili R, Laine W, David-Cordonnier M-H, Vugrek O, Karminski-Zamola G, Kralj M, Hranjec M (2013) Biological activity and DNA binding studies of 2-substituted benzimidazo[1,2-a]quinolines bearing different amino side chains. *Medicinal Chemistry Communication* (IF: 2.72). 09/2013; 4:1537-1550. doi:10.1039/c3md00193h
22. Geyer H, Hartung E, Mages H W, Weise C, Beluzic R, Vugrek O, Jonjic S, Kroczek R A, Voigt S (2013). Cytomegalovirus expresses the chemokine homologue vXCL1 capable of attracting XCR1+CD4- dendritic cells. *Journal of Virology* (IF: 5.08; Q1). 10/2013; DOI:10.1128/JVI.02330-13.
23. Strauss KA, Ferreira C, Bottiglieri T, Zhao X, Arning E, Zhang S, Zeisel SH, Escolar ML, Presnick N, Puffenberger EG, Vugrek O, Kovacevic L, Wagner C, Mazariegos GV, Mudd SH, Soltys K. Liver transplantation for treatment of severe S-adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase deficiency. *Mol Gen and Metabolism* 116 (2015), 44-52. doi:10.1016/j.ymgme.2015.06.005
24. Motzek A, Knežević J, Switzeny OJ, Barić I, Belužić R, Strauss KA, Puffenberger EG, Mudd SH, **Vugrek O**, Zechner U (2016). Abnormal hypermethylation at imprinting control regions in patients with S-adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase (AHCY) deficiency, *PLoS ONE* 11 (3):e0151261. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0151261>. Q1
25. Muñoz-Torres P M, Rokić F, Belužić R, Grbeša I, **Vugrek O** (2016). msBiodat analysis tool, big data analysis for high-throughput experiments. *BioData Mining* (2016) 9:26. DOI 10.1186/s13040-016-0104-6.
26. Lepur A, Kovačević L, Belužić R, **Vugrek O** (2016). Combining Unique Multiplex Gateway Cloning and Bimolecular Fluorescence Complementation (BiFC) for High-Throughput Screening of Protein-Protein Interactions. *Journal of Biomolecular Screening*, 21 (10), 1100-1111. DOI: 10.1177/1087057116659438
27. Adela Štimac, Jelena Trmčić Cvitaš, Leo Frkanec, Oliver Vugrek, Ruža Frkanec (2016). Design and syntheses of mono and multivalent mannosyl-lipoconjugates for targeted liposomal drug delivery. *International Journal of Pharmaceutics*, DOI: 10.1016/j.ijpharm.2016.06.123.
28. Grbeša I, Kalo A, Belužić R, Kovačević L, Lepur A, Rokić F, Hochberg H, Kanter I, Simunović V, Muñoz-Torres PM, Shav-Tal Y, **Vugrek O** (2017). Mutations in S-adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase (AHCY) effect its nucleocytoplasmic distribution and capabilities for interaction with S-adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase-like 1 protein. *European Journal of Cell Biology*, 96(6):579-590. doi: 10.1016/j.ejcb.2017.05.002.
29. Teofilović Knežević N., Bihi, M, Stojković Radić M, Tumir L, Ester K, Kralj M, Majhen D, Oršolić N, Lepur A, Vrbanec D, Markotić A, Dembić Z, Weber A N R, Piantanida I, Vugrek O, Diken M, Knežević J (2017). 1-ethyl-3-(6-methylphenanthridine-8-il) urea modulates TLR3/9 activation and induces selective pro-inflammatory cytokine expression in vitro.

- Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry Letters, 27(7), 1530–1537.  
<http://doi.org/10.1016/j.bmcl.2017.02.048>
30. Mikačić I, Belužić R, Vugrek O, and Plavljanić Đ (2018). A Proximity Extension Assay (PEA)-based method for quantification of bevacizumab. *J. Pharma. Tox. Meth.*; 92, 20–23.  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.vascn.2018.02.008>
31. Cokarić Brdovčak, M., Zubković, A., Ferenčić, A., Šoša, I., Stemberga, V., Cuculić, D., Rokić F, Vugrek O, Hackenberg M, Jurak, I. (2018). Herpes simplex virus 1 miRNA sequence variations in latently infected human trigeminal ganglia. *Virus Research*, 256, 90–95. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.virusres.2018.08.002>;
32. Belužić, L., Grbeša, I., Belužić, R., Park, J. H., Kong, H. K., Kopjar, N., ... Vugrek, O\*. (2018). Knock-down of AHCY and depletion of adenosine induces DNA damage and cell cycle arrest. *Scientific Reports*, 8(1), 14012. <http://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-018-32356-8>.
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34. Ozretic P, da Silva Filho MI, Catalano C, Sokolovic I, Vukic-Dugac A, Šutic M, Kurtovic M, Bubanovic G, Popovic-Grle S, Skrinjaric-Cincar S, **Vugrek O**, Jukic I, Rumora L, Bosnar M, Samardžija M, Bals R, Jakopovic M, Försti A, and Kneževic J (2019). Association of NLRP1 Coding Polymorphism with Lung Function and Serum IL-1Concentration in Patients Diagnosed with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease(COPD). *Genes* 2019, 10, 783; doi:10.3390/genes10100783.
35. Jurak I, Rukavina T, Vugrek O (2020). Successful sequencing of the first SARS-CoV-2 genomes from Croatian patients. *Croatian Med. J.* doi: [10.3325/cmj.2020.61.302](https://doi.org/10.3325/cmj.2020.61.302)
36. Geographical and temporal distribution of SARS-CoV-2 clades in the WHO European Region, January to June 2020. *Eurosurveillance Euro Surveill.* 2020;25(32); <https://doi.org/10.2807/1560-7917.ES.2020.25.32.2001410>.
37. Katja K. Dumić, Darko Anticevic, Jelena Petrinovic-Doresic, Tamara Zigman, Kamelija Zarković, Filip Rokic, Oliver Vugrek (2020). Lowe syndrome – Old and new evidence of secondary mitochondrial dysfunction. *European Journal of Medical Genetics* 63 (2020) 104022. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ejmg.2020.104022>.
38. Vlaić J, Jović O, Kosalec I, Vugrek O, Což-Rakovac R, Šmuc T (2021). In Vitro Confirmation of Siramesine as a Novel Antifungal Agent with In Silico Lead Proposals of Structurally Related Antifungals. *Molecules* 2021, 26, 3504. <https://doi.org/10.3390/molecules26123504>.
39. Rokić F, Trgovec-Greif L, Sučić N, Čemeljić N, Cekinović Grbeša Đ, Svedružić Ž, Rukavina T, Vugrek O, Jurak I (2021). Diverse SARS-CoV-2 variants preceded the initial COVID-19 outbreak in Croatia. *Archives of Virology* (2021) 166:1735–1739. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00705-021-05029-7>.
- Other papers:
- 1 Menzel D, **Vugrek O** (1997). Muskelproteine in Pflanzenzellen. *Biologie in unserer Zeit* 27. Jahrg. 1997, Nr. 3: 195-203.
  - 2 Barić, I; Ćuk, M; Glenn, B.; Maradin, M; Sarnavka, V; Radoš, M; **Vugrek O**; Pažanin, L; Mudd, S H; Fumić, K: Manjak S-adenozilhomocistein hidrolaze - novootkrivena nasljedna bolest kao uzrok kongenitalne miopatije. *Neurologia Croatica*. 53 (2004) 3; 110.
  - 3 Belužić R, **Vugrek O\***: S-adenosylhomocysteine hydrolase (AHCY ) deficiency: A natural model system for methylation research. *Rad 508. Medical Sciences* 35(2010): 77-92.
  - 4 Taki, H; Gomi, T; Knuckley, B; Thompson, RP; **Vugrek, O**; Hirata, K; Miyahara, T; Shinoda, K; Hounoki, H; Sugiyama, E; Usui, I; Urakaze, M; Tobe, K; Ishimoto, T; Inoue, R; Tanaka, A; Mano, H; Ogawa, H; Mori, H. Purification of enzymatically inactive peptidylarginine deiminase type 6 from mouse ovary that reveals hexameric structure different from other dimeric isoforms. *Advances in Bioscience and Biotechnology*. 2 (2011); 304-310.
  - 5 Barić I, Erdol S, Saglam H, Lovrić M, Belužić R, Vugrek O, Blom HJ, Fumić K (2016). Glycine N-methyltransferase deficiency-a member of dysmethylating liver disorders? Book series JIMD Reports, Vol 31, 101-106. DOI: 10.1007/8904\_2016\_543
  - 6 Vugrek O (2017) Exploring new avenues of innovation. *Impact* 4: 6-8. <https://doi.org/10.21820/23987073.2017.4.6>

- 7 Lepur A, Vugrek O. (2018). Bimolecular Fluorescence Complementation to Visualize Protein-Protein Interactions in Human Cells Based on Gateway Cloning Technology. Methods Mol Biol. 2018;1794:259-267. doi: 10.1007/978-1-4939-7871-7\_17.

#### OTHER RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

(CHIEF EDITOR OR EDITOR OF RESEARCH BOOK, HOME AND INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH JOURNALS, HOME AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS AND OTHER)

Reviewer of several international scientific journals:

- Journal of Human Genetics
- Cellular Physiology and Biochemistry
- Naunyn-Schmiedeberg Archives of Pharmacology
- BBA-Proteins and Proteomics

Editorial board member:

- ISRN Genomics
- Current Research in Chemical Sciences

#### OTHER IMPORTANT SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Project Management and writing of competitive project grants on international level (FP6, FP7, ESF, HFSP, HHMI etc)

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND NOTES

More than 20 invited and selected lectures at international and domestic scientific gatherings, institutions and societies.

Conferences: European Precision Medicine Conference, Barcelona, Spain, 29-30. 6. 2017; Game of Epigenomics, Dubrovnik, 24.-28. 2106; FEBS3+, Opatija 2012; Congress of the Croatian Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (HDBMB); 03 - 07 October 2006, Vodice.

Invited lectures at the University of Dresden, Mainz, Muenchen, Innsbruck, Naples; Wuerzburg in the period 2005-2015); Radioncial lecture: Scienion-Diagnostics 3.0, Berlin 2013). invited lecture at the 19th Health Fair, Vinkovci, 2015; Faculty of Pharmaceutical Biochemistry, University of Zagreb 2013); eStudent Association, 2013.

Active participation in more than 15 international scientific meetings and workshops.

Author of 9 chapters in books (Methods in molecular biology; editor Ambriović Ristov A, et al, 2007).

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