# Martina Bergant Marušič Curriculum vitae

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### **Education:**

2006 - PhD in Biotechnology, University of Ljubljana, Biotechnical Faculty

2001 - University Degree in Biology (B.Sc.) University of Ljubljana, Biotechnical Faculty, Department of Biology

Academic title: Associate Professor in the field of molecular and cell biology

Research title: Senior Researcher

# **Employment:**

2017 -	Laboratory for Environmental and Life Sciences, University of Nova Gorica, Slovenia
2012-16	Center for Biomedical Sciences and Engineering, University of Nova Gorica, Slovenia
2006-12	Laboratory for Environmental Research, University of Nova Gorica (UNG), Slovenia
2002-06	Blood Transfusion Centre of Slovenia, Ljubljana, Slovenia

# Research work abroad:

2001	Institute of Molecular Plant Sciences, Leiden University, Netherlands, research work
2010-13	Postdoctoral research work (Tumour virology group, ICGEB, Trieste, Italy)
2008	Postdoctoral research work (Tumour virology group, International Centre for
	Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB), Trieste, Italy)

### **Fellowships and Awards:**

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2011- 2013	ICGEB long-term postdoctoral fellowship
2008, 2010	ICGEB short-term fellowship
2009	International Papillomavirus Society Travel Award (25 International Papillomavirus
	Conference, Malmo, Sweden)
2001	PhD fellowship awarded by the Slovenian Research Agency - ARRS for the duration of 4 years
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# Management responsibilities:

2017-	Director of the PhD programme Molecular Genetics and Biotechnology, Graduate
	School, University of Nova Gorica
2014-16	Deputy head of the Center for biomedical sciences and engineering, University of Nova
	Gorica
2009-10	Deputy director of the PhD programme Molecular Genetics and Biotechnology,
	Graduate School, University of Nova Gorica

### **Committees:**

Governing Board of SMASH - training program co-funded by the Marie Skłodowska-
Curie COFUND Actions (MSCA COFUND)
Member of the Commission for GMO management, Ministry of Agriculture and
Environment, Republic of Slovenia
Member of Senate of the School for Environmental Sciences, University of Nova Gorica
Member of the Scientific Council of the doctoral programme Environmental Sciences,
UNG Graduate School
Member of the Management Board of the Centre for Functional Genomics and Bio-
Chips, Medical faculty, University of Ljubljana (representative for UNG)

2010- Quality Assurance Committee, University of Nova Gorica, coordinator for Graduate

School

**Editor:** 

2022- Review Editor: Frontiers in Cellular and Infection Microbiology

#### **Professional memberships:**

Slovenian Biochemical Society, Slovenian Immunology Society, Slovenian Microbiology Society, The American Society for Cell Biology, Ljubljana Speleological Society

#### Pedagogic work:

2016- Lectures, course **Cell biology**, Bachelor's program in Viticulture and Enology, Faculty for Viticulture and Enology, UNG

2015- Lectures, course **Biochemistry**, Bachelor's program in Viticulture and Enology, Faculty

for Viticulture and Enology, UNG

2014- Lectures, course **Biotechnology and Environment**, Bachelor's program Environment,

School of Environmental Sciences, UNG,

### Mentorships:

 Mentored or supervised 3 PhD students (2 students finished, 1 on-going), 6 undergraduate students (2 Bs thesis and 4 Master thesis), 2 post-doctoral fellows and more than 10 short-term exchange students of all levels (ERASMUS+, CMEPIUS, Bilateral projects, ....)

# **Projects (Principal Investigator):**

2020-2023	Role of APOBEC proteins in the oncogenesis of HPV viruses (ARRS research project; J3-2518)
2014-2016	Understanding the molecular basis of infection by oncogenic human papillomaviruses (ICGEB-CRP project)
2016-2017	Toxicity of ambient aerosols in Tuzla region (Bosna and Herzegovina), Bilateral project
	Slovenia - Bosnia and Herzegovina (BI-BA/16-17-036)
2011-2013	The role of HPV L2 protein and sorting nexin 17 in HPV infection (post-doctoral research project at ICGEB)
2008-2010	Role of PML proteins in the anti-viral immune response (post-doctoral research project – ARRS)

### **Research programmes:**

2022-2028	Comparative oncology for tackling rare cancers (P3-0428), ARRS research programme,
	coordinator: University of Nova Gorica
2018-2022	Analytics and Chemical Characterization of Materials and Processes (P1-0034); ARRS
	research programme, coordinator: National Institute of Chemistry

#### **Publications:**

29 scientific research and review articles, 1 chapter in a monograp, 775 citations (Scopus), H-index 13

# Full list of publications:

https://bib.cobiss.net/bibliographies/si/webBiblio/bib201 20230216 134430 22361.html For the publications search in PubMed and other data bases please use: Author »Bergant« and »Bergant Marusic«