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Present position

Professor, School of Electrical and Computers Engineering, National Technical University of Athens
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Education

- 1972 Department of Physics, University of Athens
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- 1977 National Center of Scientific Research, Master in Biosciences
- 1980 School of Physics, University of Athens
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Research interests

- ❖ Biophotonics-Nanobiophotonics
- ❖ Linear and Non-Linear Imaging Microscopy
- ❖ Functional Imaging of Cells
- ❖ Laser-Tissue Interactions
- ❖ Photodynamic Therapy and Photodiagnosis
- ❖ Free Radicals and Anti-oxidants
- ❖ Optical Imaging and Fluorescence Imaging
- ❖ Fluorescence Imaging Tomography
- ❖ Biosensors
- ❖ Applied Biophysics
- ❖ Membranes - Biological Macromolecules

Scientific activities

- ❖ Member of various working groups and teams of experts appointed by the Greek Ministry of Education
- ❖ Member of various working groups and teams of experts appointed by the Greek General Secretary of Research and Technology
- ❖ Evaluator of research proposals of the Greek General Secretary of Research and Technology.
- ❖ Member and Raporteur in European Evaluation Committees in FP6 [Life Science and Health 2004-2005-2006, Human Capital and Mobility 2004-2005-2006, NEST 2004-2005-2006, Bioethics 2004-2005-2006, SMEs Go Health]

- ❖ Member and Raporteur in European Evaluation Committees in FP7 [HEALTH, 2007, FOOD AND NUTRITION 2007-2008, KBBE 2008-2009]
- ❖ Reviewer of papers in several journals
- ❖ Project leader or workpackage leader in several National and International Projects [BRIGHT, BRIGHTER, ESPRIT, EPAN, SYN, PENED e.t.c.]
- ❖ Member of Evaluation Committees of Scientific Staff at Greek Universities.
- ❖ Supervisor of more than 50 Diploma and 15 M.Sc theses at the National Technical University of Athens
- ❖ Supervisor of 11 completed Ph.D Theses (five of them have been Awarded) and currently supervisor of 5 Ph.D. Theses
- ❖ Chair or Member of the organizing and/or scientific committee of 20 International Conferences on Biomedical Engineering, Oxidative Stress, Biomedical Lasers e.t.c.
- ❖ Director of the Biomedical Optics and Applied Biophysics Lab

Selected Publications

(more than 400 citations)

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2. D. Gorpas, P. Maragos and **D. Yova**, "A New Morphological Segmentation Algorithm for Biomedical Imaging Applications", Image Processing: Machine Vision Applications II, Proc. SPIE, 7251:72510C (2009)
3. D. Gorpas, K. Politoploulos, **D. Yova** and S. Andersson-Engels, "Data Fitting and Image Fine Tuning Approach to Solve the Inverse Problem in Fluorescence Molecular Imaging" Imaging, Manipulation and Analysis of Biomolecules, Cells and Tissues VI, Proc. SPIE, 6859:68591H (2008)
4. E. Alexandratou, D. Yova, D. Gorpas et al., "Texture Analysis of Tissues in Gleason Grading of Prostate Cancer", Imaging, Manipulation and Analysis of Biomolecules, Cells and Tissues VI, Proc. SPIE, 6859:685904 (2008)
5. M. Kyriazi, E. Alexandratou, **D. Yova** and M. Rallis, "Topical Photodynamic Therapy of Murine Non-Melanoma Skin Carcinomas with Aluminium Phthalocyanine Chloride and Diode Laser: Pharmacokinetics, Tumor Response and Cosmetic Outcomes", Photodermatol. Photoimmunol. Photomed., 24:87-94 (2008)
6. E. Alexandratou, V. Atlamazoglou, T. Thireou Et Al., "Evaluation Of Machine Learning Techniques for Prostate Cancer Diagnosis And Gleason Grading", Special Issue on: "Classify the Classifiers: Investigating the Optimum Classification Technique Per Case In Bioinformatics", International Journal of Computational Intelligence In Bioinformatics And Systems Biology, (2008)
7. D. Gorpas, K. Politopoulos and **D. Yova**, "A Binocular Machine Vision System for Three-Dimensional Surface Measurement of Small Objects", Comput. Med. Imag. Grap., 31:625-637 (2007).
8. S. Psilodimitrakopoulos, G. Filippidis, Christos Kouloumentas and **D. Yova**, "Combined Two Photon Excited Fluorescence and Second Harmonic Generation Imaging Microscopy of Collagen Structures", Multiphoton Microscopy in the Biomedical Sciences VI, Proc. Spie, 6089: 60891p (2006).
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11. E. Alexandratou, A. Sofou, P. Maragos, **D. Yova**, N.Kavantzas, "Computer Vision Algorithms In Dna Ploidy Image Analysis", Imaging, Manipulation and Analysis of Biomolecules, Cells and Tissues, 6088: 60880o (2006).
12. D. Gorpas, K. Politopoulos, E. Alexandratou, **D. Yova**, "A Binocular Machine Vision System for Non Melanoma Skin Cancer 3D Reconstruction", Multimodal Biomedical Imaging, 6081: 60810d (2006).
13. A. Johansson, J. Svensson, S. Andersson-Engels, N. Bendsoe, K. Svanberg, E. Alexandratou, M. Kyriazi, **D. Yova**, S. Gräfe, and T. Trebst, "Fluorescence and absorption assessment of a lipid mTHPC formulation following topical application in a skin tumor model", JBO, 12(03), 034026 (2006).
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