# **Curriculum Vitae**

# Dimitra Alimpoumpa

PERSONAL DETAILS	
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EDUCATION	<b>V</b>
11.2022 - Now	PhD Candidate Ionian University, Department of Food Science and Technology PhD Thesis: "Valorization of cheese whey towards the production of high added value products for the development of novel and functional food products"
10.2019- 09.2022	MSc Degree  Agricultural University of Athens, Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition,  MSc in Food Science & Technology with specialization in: "Processing, Preservation, and Biotechnological Processes in Foods - Development of Bio-Economy Products"  Grade: 8.65 (Excellent)  MSc Thesis: "Lactic acid bacteria biosurfactant production through the utilization of by-products from the food industry"  Agricultural University of Athens, Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition
10.2014- 10.2018	Diploma  Food Technology, Technological University of Ionian Islands, Department of Food Technology,  Grade: 8.6 (Excellent)

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**Thesis**: "Isolation of *S. cerevisiae* strains from grapes of Zakynthos, Lefkada, and Corfu"

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- 2024 Lappa, I.K., Natsia, A., Alimpoumpa, D., Stylianopoulou, E., Prapa, I., Tegopoulos, K., Pavlatou, C., Skavdis, G., Papadaki, A., Kopsahelis, N. (2024). Novel Probiotic Candidates in Artisanal Feta-Type Kefalonian Cheese: Unveiling a Still-Undisclosed Biodiversity. Probiotics & Antimicrobials Prot. (2024) https://doi.org/10.1007/s12602-024-10239-x
- N. (2023). Chapter 17 Biosurfactants production by LAB and emerging applications. In: *Lactic Acid Bacteria as Cell Factories,* Applied Biotechnology Reviews, Montet, D., Ray, R.C., De Carvalho Azevedo, V.A., Paramithiotis, S., (Eds.), Woodhead Publishing, pp. 335-366, ISBN 9780323919302, https://doi.org/10.1016/B978-0-323-91930-2.00001-8

Kachrimanidou, V., Alexandri, M., Alimpoumpa, D., Lappa, I.K., Papadaki, A., Kopsahelis,

- 2022 Kachrimanidou, V., Alexandri, M., Nascimento, M.F., Alimpoumpa, D., Faria, N.T., Papadaki, A., Ferreira, F.C., Kopsahelis, N. (2022). Lactobacilli and *Moesziomyces* derived biosurfactants: Conceptualization of a bio-circular approach for the dairy industry, *Fermentation*, 8(10), 517, https://doi.org/10.3390/fermentation8100517
- 2022 Kachrimanidou, V., Alimpoumpa, D., Papadaki, A., Lappa, I., Alexopoulos K., Kopsahelis, N. (2022). Cheese whey utilization for biosurfactant production: Evaluation of bioprocessing strategies using novel *Lactobacillus* strains. *Biomass Conversion and Biorefinery*, 12, 4621–4635, https://doi.org/10.1007/s13399-022-02767-9
- Eriotou, E., Kopsahelis, N., Lappa, I., Alimpoumpa, D., Diamanti, V., Koulougliotis, D. (2020). Identification of Indigenous Yeast Strains from Spontaneous Vinification of Grapes from the Red Variety Avgoustiatis Zakynthou (Ionian Islands, Greece) and Antioxidant Activity of the Produced Wine, Journal of Food Chemistry & Nanotechnology, 6(2), 48-55, https://doi.org/10.17756/jfcn.2020-083

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# **CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/ETC**

# **Oral and Poster Presentations**

**Alimpoumpa, D.,** Lappa, I.K., Papadaki, A., Kopsahelis, N. (2023). *Development of edible films as protective carriers of a novel Lacticaseibacillus paracasei strain isolated from Kefalonian feta-type cheese* (2023). 10<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Sustainable Solid Waste Management, 21-24 June, Chania, Greece **(oral presentation)** 

- 2022 Kachrimanidou, V., Alimpoumpa, D., Alexandri, M., Papadaki, A., Kopsahelis, N. (2022).
  Biosurfactant Production Using GRAS Lactobacilli: Process Optimization and Food Product
  Development, 30<sup>th</sup> International Conference of FFC, Mediterranean Diet, Functional Foods
  and Bioactive Compounds: Science and Practice, 23-25 September, Lemnos, Greece (oral presentation)
- 2022 Lappa, I., Alimpoumpa, D., Natsia, A., Papadaki, A., Kopsahelis N. (2022). Profiling of wild-type LAB isolated from Feta-type cheese of Kefalonia island as candidate probiotic starters, 30<sup>th</sup> International Conference of FFC, Mediterranean Diet, Functional Foods and Bioactive Compounds: Science and Practice, 23-25 September, Lemnos, Greece (poster presentation)
- 2022 Kachrimanidou, V., Alimpoumpa, D., Trantou, E., Topalidou, P., Alexandri, M., Papadaki, A., Kopsahelis, N. (2022). *Implementation of novel lactobacilli isolates from diversified sources for biosurfactants production*. 41<sup>st</sup> International Congress of the Society for Microbial Ecology in Health and Disease (SOMED), 14-16 June, Alexandroupolis, Greece (oral presentation)
- Lappa, I., Albani, N., Natsia, A., Alimpoumpa, D., Papadaki, A., Kopsahelis, N. (2022).
  Putative probiotic features of wild type LAB isolated from Feta- Type cheese of Kefalonia island. 41<sup>st</sup> International Congress of the Society for Microbial Ecology in Health and Disease (SOMED), 14-16 June, Alexandroupolis, Greece (oral presentation)
- 2021 Alimpoumpa, D., Kachrimanidou, V., Papadaki, A., Lappa, I.K., Eriotou, E., Kopsahelis, N. (2021). Evaluation of diversified bioprocessing schemes for biosurfactants production from Lactobacillus strains using cheese whey. 8<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Sustainable Solid Waste Management, 23-25 June, Thessaloniki, Greece (oral presentation)

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2018	Eriotou, E., Kopsahelis, N., <b>Alimpoumpa, D.</b> , Diamanti, V., Kampioti, A., Koulougliotis, D.
	(2018). Kefalonian Olive Oils: Oleocanthal and Oleacin Abundance and Antioxidant Activity.
	IFT18, 15-18 July, Chicago, USA (poster presentation)

**2018** Koulougliotis, D., Kopsahelis, N., **Alimpoumpa, D**., Diamanti, V., Eriotou, E. (2018). *Wild Yeast Isolation and Wine Production from Grapes of the Local Variety "Kakotrygis" Grown in Corfu Island (Greece)*. IFT18, 15-18 July, Chicago, USA **(poster presentation)** 

# 2023 Invited oral presentation

Alimpoumpa, D. (2023). Biosurfactant Production from Lactobacillus strains Trough the Valorization of Dairy Industry Side Streams: Development of a Closed- Loop Process. Webinar "Microbe Innovations for Functional and Sustainable Food Systems", 20 January, webinar organized by Applied Sciences Journal

# **Workshops**

Alimpoumpa, D. (2023). Cheese whey utilization for the production of edible films as encapsulation carriers for lactic acid bacteria. Workshop at the Ionian University within the framework of the Foodbiomes Infrastructure titled "Sustainable food systems: Back to the future", June 2, Argostoli, Kefalonia (oral presentation)

#### **PRIZES**

**3rd Prize of excellent oral presentation during the 41st International Congress of the Society for Microbial Ecology in Health and Disease (SOMED)**: "Kachrimanidou V., **Alimpoumpa D.,** Trantou E., Topalidou P., Alexandri M., Papadaki A., Kopsahelis N., *Implementation of novel lactobacilli isolates from diversified sources for biosurfactants production. 41st International Congress of the Society for Microbial Ecology in Health and Disease (SOMED) 22 14-16 June, Alexandroupolis, Greece* 

PARTICIPA	ARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH PROJECTS	
2021-	"Microbiome Applications in Food Systems, FOODBIOMES".	
2023	Scientific co-ordinator for Ionian University: Dr N. Kopsahelis	
07.2019-	"Chemical building blocks from versatile MSW biorefinery – [PERCAL]",	
09.2019	Agricultural University of Athens, Scientific co-ordinator: A. Koutinas	

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07.2017-

12.2019

"Quality upgrade of local wines of the Ionian Islands using native yeasts"

(MIS: 5006342), Technological University of Ionian Islands,

Scientific co-ordinator: Dr D. Koulougliotis

#### LANGUAGE AND COMPUTER SKILLS

English, Level B2 (University of Michigan)

ECDL, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)

#### **OTHER**

# 2022 Organizing Committee

"Bio-economy and the development of innovative products for the food industry," within the research program Food Innovation RI, Department of Food Science and Technology, Ionian University, June 10, Argostoli, Kefalonia

# **Summer Schools**

Agricultural University of Athens "Valorization of agro-industrial residues and side streams for the development of a sustainable bio-economy", 28-29 May, Athens, Greece

# **Participation in Competitions**

ECOTROPHELIA 2023 Product Description: Strained yogurt 2% and fava bean vegetable dessert with bacterial culture and plant extracts promoting consumer health, in eco-friendly packaging with an edible coating made of whey protein and industrial hemp protein, respectively

# **Laboratory Supervision of Undergraduate Thesis Projects**

Ionian University, Department of Food Science and Technology, Laboratory supervision of thesis projects in the Laboratory of Food Chemistry and Industrial Fermentations

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