# Curriculum Vitae (July 2012) **Dr. Hilal Zaid, Ph.D.**

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# **Personal Details**

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# **Higher Education**

1999-2005: M.Sc. & Ph.D. – The Department of Life Sciences (Major:

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology), Ben-Gurion University of

the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel.

Thesis Title: Divalent Cation Binding Sites in mitochondrial porin:

Characterization, Localization and Function in

Mitochondrial Activities in Cell's Life and Death.

**Supervisor:** Prof. Varda Shoshan-Barmatz.

**2004-2005:** Teaching Certificate, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel.

1995-1998: B.Sc. – The Department of Life Sciences (Major: Biochemistry),

Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel. **Research Project**: Mitochondria Biogenesis in Yeast.

Supervisor: Dr. Cloud Aflalo.

#### **Scientific Record**

Since 2009 – Researcher, Al-Qasemi Academic College (Research center).

**2008-2009(February)-Research Associate**, The Department of Life Sciences, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel .

2008-2009 – Lecturer, Achva College, Israel.

**2005-2008 - Postdoctoral fellow** – Cell Biology Programme, The Hospital for Sick

Children , Toronto, ON, Canada.

**Project title**: Insulin-dependent Interactions of Proteins with Glucose

Transporter-4.

# Scholarships, Fellowships and awards

2002 – 2005: Scholarship for Excellent Arab PhD students. The Council for

Higher Education - Planning and Budgeting Committee, Israel.

2005 Excellent Poster Presentation Award- Zolotowski Center for

Neurosciences annual retreat. Mitzpe Ramon, Israel.

2007 Post-Doctoral INMD Travel Award, Canadian Institutes of Health

Research - Institute of Nutrition, Metabolism and Diabetes (CIHR-

INMD).

2006 - 2008: Postdoctoral Fellowship, the Hospital for Sick Children Research

Training Centre – Research training Competition (RESTERCOMP).

**2008-2010**: Ministry of Absorption Fellowship for returning Israelis Scientists.

### **Patents**

20080274962 Voltage Dependent Anion Channel (Vdac1) Compositions and Methods of Use Thereof for Regulating Apoptosis 11-06-2008 (European Patent Application EP1856145).

# **Membership in Professional Societies**

- 1. European Foundation for the Study Diabetes (EFSD)
- 2. Israel Society for Cancer Research
- 3. The Israeli Society for Complementary Medicine

# **International Conferences organization**

- Scientific committee of "The First Regional Scientific Conference on Traditional Arabic and Islamic Medicine", Al-Qasemi Academy, Baqa, Israel. January 2010.
- 2. Scientific committee of "Integration of Traditional Medicine in Research and Clinic", Al-Qasemi Academy, Baqa, Israel. May 2011.

# **Editorial Experience**

**2007** Reviewer of manuscripts for the 'Journal of General Physiology'.

2010 Reviewer of manuscripts for 'JAMI'A'.

**2011** Reviewer of manuscript s for 'Evidence-based Complementary and Alternative Medicine (eCAM)'.

# **Special Invitations**

- 1. July 2010, Visiting Scientist, one month at the Klip lab; The Hospital for Sick Children, Program in Cell Biology, Totonto, ON, Canada. Participating in Insulin Resistance Treatments project.
- 2. February 2010, Invited Lecturer for Biology and Agriculture high school teachers. "Insulin Resistance treatment by medicinal plants: From tradition to Mechanism". Neer-Haemik, Israel.
- 3. May 2010. Invited Lecturer at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Conference on Biotechnology Research and Applications in Palestine. "Palestinian Plants Increase glucose disposal by skeletal muscle cell line". Al-Najah National University, Palestine.

# **Supervision**

## PhD thesis:

Sliman Qiadan (2011-present) "Novel anti-diabetic natural drug candidates: from herbs to identification of chemical structure and molecular mechanism". Cosupervisors: Dr. Bashar Saad (QRC) and Dr. Yoel Sasson (Hebrew University, Jerusalem).

#### Master thesis:

Said Khasid (2011/2012) "Cancer cell lines sensitivity to apoptosis induction by Palestinian medicinal plants: mechanism(s) and doses". Co-supervisor Dr. Nael Abo Hassan (Al-Najah National University, Nablus).

# **Semester projects:**

- 1. Hanan Hosainiah and Layali Tayeh (2009/2010) "Identification of medicinal plants apoptotic induction mechanism in cancer cell lines".
- 2. Hagar Abo-Ras and Rania Hateeb (209/2010) "Curcumin mechanism of apoptotic induction in cancer cell lines".

- 3. Athamney Abed and Abu-Sablan Riham (2010/2011) "Mechanism of apoptosis induction by Fig's milk"
- 4. Jorban Fatemah and Adaaf Amani (2010/2011) "Insulin resistance treatment by Olea europea L, and Atriplex halimus L".
- 5. Kabaha samah and Melhem Hadeel (2010/2011) "The action mechanism of traditional Arab plants in treating diabetes type II".

# **Research Fund:**

**Ministry of Absorption**, Israel, Medicinal plants sensitize cancer chemotherapy, 2010-2011 (180,000 NIS).

**Ministry of National Infrastructure**, Israel, Combination of Arab traditional medicinal plants and Dead-Sea Climatographic Therapies for the treatment of psoriasis, 2010 -2011 (150,000 NIS).

**MOFET Research Fund**, Israel, Traditional antidiabetic treatments- from herbs to molecular mechanisms, 2011-2012 (20,000 NIS).

**The Arab American University Research Fund**, Palestine, In vitro evaluation of anti-apoptotic effects of medicinal plants as a promising strategy in cancer therapy, 2012-2013 (28,000 NIS).

# Teaching Experience

**2008-present:** Lecturer- Al-Qasemi Academic College, Baka, Israel.

2011-present: Lecturer (Associate Professor)- Arab American University, Jenin.

**2008-2009: Research Associate**, The Department of Life Sciences, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel

2008-2009: Lecturer (Biochemistry) Achva College.

2002 – 2004: Students laboratory course (advanced biochemistry) coordinator,Dept.of Life Sciences, Ben-Gorion University (BGU), Israel.

**1998 - 2002**: Teaching assistant, the Dept. of Life Sciences, BGU, Israel.

1998 – 2005: Biology teacher and coordinator at high school ("Bagrut" students), Kosaife village, Israel

# Courses taught (for higher education students)

Biochemistry, Protein engineering, Advanced & Basic Biochemistry lab, Introduction to Biotechnology, Plant Physiology lab, Medicinal plants, Pharmacology, Genetics.

#### Technical experience

**Protein and Biochemical •**cell fractionation •enzyme assays •western blots •ELISA •protein chromatography (ion-exchange, gel-filtration, and affinity) •SDS-PAGE •protein phosphorylation assays • Proteoliposomes preparation • proteins Pull-down Immunoprecipitation.

**Molecular and cellular •**PCR • DNA libraries (cDNA and genomic) • site-directed mutagenesis • DNA sequencing • protein knock-down (siRNA) • epitope tagging • protein expression • microscopy (light, fluorescence, and immunofluorescence) • database mining.

**Tissue culture** • Mammalian Tissue culture (two major metabolic diseases cell culture models: Cancer and diabetes) • Yeast and bacteria.

**Animal biochemistry and metabolism** • study of carbohydrate metabolism in rats. Design animal experiments, test drugs for its in vivo influence.

# **List of publications**

#### **Papers**

- 1. **Zaid H**, Ismael-Shanak S., Michaeli A. and Rayan A (2012) Computerized techniques for modeling 3D structure of H4 receptor. *Frontiers in Bioscience*; 17: 232-247.
- 2. **Zaid H**., Silbermann M., Ben-Areyieh E. and Saad B. (2012). Greco-Arab and Islamic herbal-derived anti-cancer modalities: From tradition to molecular mechanisms. *eCAM*; 2012: 1-13.
- 3. Kaadan S., Saad B., **Zaid H.** (2012). *In vitro* evaluations of safety and efficacy of traditionally used Greco-Arab and Islamic medicine-based anti-diabetic herbs. (Submitted to *eCAM*).
- 4. Rayan A., **Zaid H**. and Goldblum A. (2012) Implication of ISE for indexing molecules for their hERG liability. *In preparation*.
- 5. Kraeva N., <u>Zaid H.</u>, Rossi A.E., Goonasekera S., Frodis W., Sharma P., Zvaritch E., Kraev A., Dirksen R., MacLennan D.H. and Riazi S. (2012). Novel Excitation-Contraction Uncoupler *RYR1* Mutations in Patients with Central Core Disease. (*Submitted to the Neuromuscular Diseases Journal*).
- 6. **Zaid H.,** Said O., Hadieh B. and Saad B. (2012) Diabetes prevention and treatment with Greco-Arab and Islamic-based natural products. *JAMI'A*; 15; 19-38.
- 7. Abo-Galion A. Kamil A., Rezekallah H. **Zaid H.** and Saad B. (2012) Arab and Islamic herbal Cancer treatment. (In Arabic) *JAMI'A*; 15; 161-176.
- 8. Hadieh B, Masalha M, Zaid H, Abo Farich B, Said O and Saad B (2011). Anti-Inflammatory effects of herbal-derived factors are mediated by down regulation of pro-inflammatory cytokines. New Volume special for the second conference on Biotechnology and its application in Palestine.
- 9. <u>Zaid H</u>, Raiyn J, Nasser, A., Saad B and Rayan A. (2010). Physicochemical Properties of Natural Based Products versus Synthetic Chemicals. *The Open Nutraceuticals Journal*; 3: 194-202.
- 10. **Zaid H** and Saad B (2010). Cancer treatment in the Arab-Islamic medicine: Integration of tradition with modern experimental trails. *JAMI'A*, 14, 13-40.
- 11. **Zaid H,** Rayan A., Said O. and Saad B (2010). Cancer treatment by Greco-Arab and Islamic herbal medicine. *The Open Nutraceuticals Journal*, 3: 203-212.

- 12. **Zaid H,** Talior-Volodarsky I, Antonescu CN and Klip A. (2009). GAPDH binds GLUT4 reciprocally to Hexokinase-II and regulates glucose transport activity. *Biochem J.* 419(2):475-84.
- 13. **Zaid H**, Antonescu CN, Randhawa VK, Klip A. (2008). Insulin action on glucose transporters through molecular switches, tracks and tethers. *Biochem J.*15;413(2):201-15.
- 14. Talior-Volodarsky I, Randhawa VK, <u>Zaid H</u>, Klip A. (2008). Alphaactinin-4 is selectively required for insulin-induced GLUT4 translocation. *J Biol Chem.* 2008 Sep 12;283(37):25115-23.
- 15. Shoshan-Barmatz V, Keinan N and <u>Zaid H</u> (2008). Uncovering the role of VDAC in the regulation of cell life and death. J Bioenerg Biomembr. 2008 Jun;40(3):183-91.
- 16. Abu- Hamad S., Zaid H., Israelson A., Nahon E. and Shoshan-Barmatz V.(2008). Hexokinase-I protection against apoptosic cell death is mediated via interation with the Voltage Dependent Anion Channe-1: mapping the site of binding. *J Biol Chem* 283(19):13482-90.

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- 17. Israelson A (\*), **Zaid H (\*)**, Abu-Hamad S (\*), Nahon E, Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2008). Mapping the ruthenium red-binding site of the voltage-dependent anion channel-1. *Cell Calcium* 43(2):196-204.
- 18. Israelson A., Abu-Hamad S., Zaid H., Nahon E. and Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2006). Localization of the Voltage-Dependent Anion Channel-1 Ca<sup>2+</sup>-Binding Sites. *Cell Calcium* 41(3):235-44.
- 19. <u>Zaid H.(\*)</u>, Abu-Hamad S.(\*), Israelson A., Nathan I. and Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2005). The voltage-dependent anion channel modulates apoptotic cell death. *Cell death and differentiation*. 12(7):751-60.
- 20. Yehezkel G., Hadad N., **Zaid H.**, Sara Sivan and Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2005). Nucleotide-binding sites in the voltage-dependent anion channel: Characterization and localization. *J Biol Chem.* 281(9):5938-46.
- 21. Gincel D., **Zaid H.** and Shoshan-Barmatz V.. (2001). Calcium binding and translocation by voltage-dependent anion channel: a possible regulatory mechanism in mitochondrial function. *Biochemical J.* 15;358 (Pt 1):147-55.

#### **Book chapters**

22. Saad B., **Zaid H**., and Said O. (2012) Tradition and Perspectives of Diabetes Treatment in Greco-Arab and Islamic Medicine. In: Bioactive Food as Dietary Interventions for Diabetes. Edited by Ronald R. Watson (*In Press*).

- 23. <u>Zaid H.</u>, and Saad B. (2012) State of the Art of Diabetes Treatment in Greco-Arab and Islamic Medicine. In: Bioactive Food as Dietary Interventions for Diabetes. Edited by Ronald R. Watson (*In Press*).
- 24. Said O., **Zaid H**., and Saad B. (2011) Greco-Arab and Islamic herbal medicine and cancer treatment/prevention. In: Bioactive Foods and Extracts: Cancer Treatment and Prevention. Edited by Watson R.R and Preedy V.R, CRC Press.

#### **Abstracts and Presentations**

- 25. Qaadan S., AboFarech B., **Zaid H**. and Saad B. (2012) Anti-Oxidative and anti-diabetic plants action mechanism. Regional conference, Aqaba, Jordan.
- 26. **Zaid H.** (2011). Obesity and diabetes: Morbidity and Treatment with Herbal Medicine. Joint Conference of the Israeli Society for Complementary Medicine of the Israel Medical Association and Al-Qasemi Research Center. Baka, Israel.
- 27. **Zaid H.,** Said O and Saad B. (2010). Arab Herbal Medicine-based Combination of Four Anti-Diabetes Plants Stabilizes a Physiological Blood Glucose Level. The 46<sup>th</sup> EASD Annual Meeting, Stockholm, Sweden. **The abstract is published in the Diabetologia Journal.**
- 28. Hadieh B., Zaid H., Abo-Farich B., Abo-Much A., Said O., Milner Y., and Saad B. (2010). The anti-psoriatic effects of herbal-derived factors as new drugs for combined psoriasis therapies. Israel Jordan Research Cooperation Conference Aqaba, Jordan.
- 29. **Zaid H.**, Said O and Saad B. (2010). Palestinian Plants Increase glucose disposal by skeletal muscle cell line. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Conference on Biotechnology Research and Applications in Palestine. An-Najah National University, Palestine.
- 30. **Zaid H.** and Klip A.(2007). GAPDH and Hexokinase-II interaction with GLUT4: A possible GLUT4-Metabolon. The American Diabetes Assossiation (ADA) 67<sup>th</sup> scientific Session. Chicago, IL, USA.
- 31. **Zaid H.**, Talior I., and Klip A. (2006). GAPDH-GLUT4 interaction: characterization and possible function in insulin-regulated glucose uptake. 10th Annual CDA/CSEM Professional Conference and Annual Meetings. Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
- 32. **Zaid H.,** Talior I. and Klip A. (2006). Characterization of GLUT4-GAPDH binding sites and possible implications for glucose uptake. 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Conference of the Canadian Society of Biochemistry,

- Molecular and Cellular Biology. Niagara-on-the-Lake Ontario, Canada. The abstract is published in the <u>Biochemistry and Cell Biology</u> Journal.
- 33. **Zaid H.**, Abu-Hamad S. and Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2005). Identification of Hexokinase-I and ruthenium red binding sites in the Voltage Dependent Anion Channel. The 14<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Calcium and Calcium Binding Proteins in Health and Disease. Banff, Alberta, Canada.
- 34. Israelson A., **Zaid H.** and Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2005). Azido ruthenium specific labeling of Ca<sup>2+</sup>-binding proteins and localization of VDAC Ca<sup>2+</sup>-binding sites. The 14<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Calcium and Calcium Binding Proteins in Health and Disease. Banff, Alberta Canada.
- 35. Abu-Hamad S., Zaid H., Israelson A. and Shoshan Barmatz V. (2005). The voltage-dependent anion channel modulates apoptotic cell death. Zlotowski Center for Neuroscience annual retreat. Mitzpe Ramon, Israel. **EXCELLENT POSTER PRESENTATION AWARD**.
- 36. Shoshan-Barmatz V., **Zaid H.**, Abu-Hamad S., Israelson A. (2005). A single mutation in VDAC prevents the interaction of hexokinase and ruthenium red with VDAC and their protective effect against apoptotic cell death. Biophysical Society 49<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting. California, US.
- 37. Abu-Hamad S., **Zaid H.**, Israelson A. and Shoshan Barmatz V. (2004). The voltage-dependent anion channel modulates apoptotic cell death. Annual meeting of the Israel Society for Physiology and Pharmacology. Maaleh Hahamisha, Israel. **EXCELLENT POSTER PRESENTATION** at the ISPP annual meeting on 23-9-04.
- 38. **Zaid H.**, Abu-Hamad S., Israelson A. and Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2004) "The voltage-dependent anion channel modulates apoptotic cell death" The 8<sup>th</sup> European Calcium Society Conference. Cambridge, UK.
- 39. **Zaid H.**, Israelson A., Sivan S. and Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2003) "Divalent Cation/Calcium Binding Sites in VDAC: Identification, Localization and Function in the Regulation of the channel Activities" Israel Society for Physiology and Pharmacology 2003 annual meeting.
- 40. Shoshan-Barmatz V., Gincel D., **Zaid H.** and Yehezkel G. (2002) "VDAC possesses ATP and divalent cations binding sites that regulate mitochondrial PT". Membrane Transport Proteins: Physiological & Pathological Implications, Gordon Research Conference.
- 41. **Zaid H.**, Gincel D. and Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2002) "divalent cations binding and modulation of VDAC" Israel Society for Physiology and Pharmacology 2002 annual meeting.

- 42. **Zaid H.**, Gincel D. and Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2002) "divalent cations binding and modulation of VDAC". 7<sup>th</sup> European symposium on calciumbinding proteins in normal and transformed cells. Brussels, Belgium.
- 43. Gincel D., **Zaid H.** and Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2000) "Calcium translocation and binding by VDAC as a possible regulatory mechanism in mitochondrial function." IUBMB 18<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.
- 44. Shoshan-Barmatz V., Gincel D. and **Zaid H.** (2000) "Calcium binding and translocation by VDAC: a possible regulatory mechanism in mitochondrial function." 3<sup>rd</sup> Albany Conference on Frontiers of Mitochondrial research.
- 45. Gincel D., **Zaid H.** and Shoshan-Barmatz V. (2000) "Calcium binding and translocation by VDAC: a possible regulatory mechanism in mitochondrial function." Israel Society for Physiology and Pharmacology 2000 annual meeting.