# Stefka M. Delimitreva, PhD, Associate Professor



## Curriculum vitae

## **EDUCATION**

Major specialty – Biotechmology	1997-1990
Faculty of Biology, University of Sofia "St. Kliment Ohridski", Sofia, Bulgaria	
Master program – Gene and Cell Engineering	
Master Thesis – "Registration of circulating immune complexes and their antigen	1990-1992
characteristics in patients with insulin dependent diabetes mellitus"	
Laboratory of Molecular Immunology and Hybridomas, Department of Biochemistry,	
Faculty of Biology, University of Sofia "St. Kliment Ohridski", Sofia, Bulgaria	
PhD Embryology	2001-2005
Dissertation – "Chromosomal disorders, nuclear and cell destruction in preimplantation	
human embryos"	
Laboratory of In Vitro Fertilization and Preimplantation Embryology, Department of	
Biology, Medical University of Sofia, Bulgaria	

## ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

TEBRITOT TE QUITE TOTTIONS	
TEMPUS-course "Principles of Molecular Biology"	1994/95
Medical University of Sofia	academic year
Postgraduate qualification "Human Biology"	1995-1998
Medical University of Sofia	
Modern Teaching Technologies	February
Medical University of Sofia	2000
In Vitro Maturation of Mammalian Oocytes	January-

German Primate Center, Department of Reproductive Biology, Goettingen, Germany	March 2003
Lecture course "The cytoskeleton in development and pathology" organized by	June 2010
European Cytoskeletal Forum and The Swedish Association	
for Cytoskeletal Research, Stockholm, Sweden	

#### PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Assistant Professor	Department of Biology, Medical University of Sofia, Bulgaria	1993
Senior Assistant Professor	Department of Biology, Medical University of Sofia, Bulgaria	1998
Head Assistant Professor	Department of Biology, Medical University of Sofia, Bulgaria	2002
Associate Professor	Department of Biology, Medical University of Sofia, Bulgaria	2012

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Laboratory practicals and seminars for medical, dental and pharmacy students in Bulgarian	since 1993
Lectures for medical, dental and pharmacy students in Bulgarian	since 2002
Laboratory practicals and seminars for medical, dental and pharmacy students in English	since 2002
Lectures for medical, dental and pharmacy students in English	since 2005

### INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

For the period 2005-2008 – guest researcher in The German Primate Center, Department of Reproductive Biology, Goettingen, Germany.

### **SUPERVISOR EXPERIENCE**

Since 2006 till now – supervisor or co-supervisor of five Master students. Recently – co-supervisor of a PhD student.

#### RESEARCH PROJECTS

1994-1997	Grant L-431 / 94 - Ministry of Education and Science, Bulgaria
	Pilot development of models for preimplantation diagnosis based on mouse and
	human preimplantation embryos.
1997-1999	Grant MU-BM-17 / 96 - Ministry of Education and Science, Bulgaria
	Estimation of aneuploidy rate for several chromosome pairs and its relationship
	with morphology and developmental potential for mouse and /or human
	preimplantation embryos in vitro.
2002-2003	Grant 22 / 2002 - Medical University - Sofia, Bulgaria
	Investigation of the most frequent aneuploidies in human preimplantation
	embryos with different level of apoptosis.
2003-2005	German Primate Center, Goettingen, Germany
	Chromosome integrity in <i>in vitro</i> matured marmoset oocytes.
2006	German Primate Center, Goettingen, Germany
	Study of the phenotype labial adhesion in common marmosets and its
	relationship to the mixed sexual chimerism.
2007-2008	Grant 40 / 2007 - Medical University - Sofia, Bulgaria

	Estimation of ovarian reserve – analysis of the ploidy and the chromatin status of
	oocytes from surgically recovered ovarian tissue.
2008	German Primate Center, Goettingen, Germany
	Techniques for chromosome investigations of marmoset gametes and embryos.
2007-2010	Grant L-311 / 07 - Ministry of Education and Science, Bulgaria and German
	Primate Center, Goettingen, Germany
	Investigation of chromosome and cytoskeletal defects in oocytes and
	preimplantation embryos – main causes for early embryonic loss in mammals.
2009-2010	Grant 14 / 2009 - Medical University – Sofia, Bulgaria
	Microstructural genome alternations in idiopathic azoospermy and oligospermy in
	peripheral blood and ejaculate – DNA microchips analysis.
2009-2010	Grant 15 / 2009 - Medical University – Sofia, Bulgaria
	Nuclear matrix and intermediate filaments (IF) in mouse oocytes and cumulus
	cells.
2012-2013	Grant 37 / 2012 - Medical University – Sofia, Bulgaria
	Investigation of cytokeratin and vimentin intermediate filaments in polycystic
	ovaries (PCOS).
2012-2013	Grant 36 / 2012 - Medical University – Sofia, Bulgaria
	Changes in nuclear lamina organization and distribution of nuclear pore
	complexes during different stages of in vitro maturation of mouse oocytes.
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Selected publications