CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

Feb. 2012 PhD in "Polymer Science and its Applications", Department of

Chemistry, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece.

Apr. 2007 MSc in "Polymer Science and its Applications", Department of

Chemistry, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece.

July 2004 BSc in Physics, Department of Physics, University of Ioannina,

Greece.

RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

Feb. 2012 - Dec. 2014 Postdoctoral researcher at Theoretical and Physical Chemistry

Institute, National Hellenic Research Foundation, Athens, Greece.

SCIENTIFIC INTERESTS

- Physicochemical characterization and self-assembly studies of macromolecules in solution: amphiphilic block copolymers, polyelectrolytes, polyelectrolyte block copolymers, proteins, polymeric micelles, polyelectrolyte nanoparticles, protein-polyelectrolyte complexes.
- Preparation protocols for the development of block polyelectrolyte micelles and nanoparticles, as well as electrostatically self-assembled macromolecular complexes.
- Structural studies of proteins.
- *In* and *ex situ* adsorption studies of amphiphilic block copolymer micelles and polyelectrolyte micelles, protein adsorption into polyelectrolyte brushes, layer-by-layer deposition and formulation of protein-polyelectrolyte multilayers.

SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

Dynamic and static light scattering, Electrophoretic light scattering, Fluorescence spectroscopy, Circular dichroism spectroscopy, Non-invasive vibrational spectroscopic



techniques (ATR-FTIR, NIR, Raman), UV-Vis spectroscopy, Differential scanning microcalorimetry, Isothermal titration calorimetry

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. A. Papagiannopoulos, <u>M. Karayianni</u>, G. Mountrichas, S. Pispas, A. Radulescu, "Self-assembled nanoparticles from a block polyelectrolyte in aqueous media: structural characterization by SANS", *J. Phys. Chem. B*, **2010**, *114* (22), 7482-7488.
- 2. <u>M. Karayianni</u>, G. Mountrichas, S. Pispas, "Solution behavior of poly(sodium(sulfamate-carboxylate)isoprene), a pH sensitive and intrinsically hydrophobic polyelectrolyte", *J. Phys. Chem. B*, **2010**, *114* (33), 10748-10755.
- 3. M. Karayianni, S. Pispas, G. D. Chryssikos, V. Gionis, S. Giatrellis, G. Nounesis, "Complexation of lysozyme with poly(sodium(sulfamate-carboxylate)isoprene)", *Biomacromolecules*, **2011**, *12* (5), 1697-1706.
- 4. <u>M. Karayianni</u>, S. Pispas, "Complexation of stimuli-responsive star-like amphiphilic block polyelectrolyte micelles with lysozyme", *Soft Matter*, **2012**, *8* (33), 8758-8769.