



Evmorfia Konstantakou, PhD



**HBA-USA Election
Board of Directors 2023-2026**

Professional profile (Expertise, degrees, current position, previous positions)

Evmorfia (Eumorphia) Konstantakou, PhD is an Instructor in Medicine at Harvard Medical School. She is a Cancer Biologist, currently focusing on mechanisms of development and therapy of brain and prostate cancers at Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center. She received her Bachelor degree and PhD from National and Kapodistrian University of Athens and she continued her post-doctoral training at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School on 2016.

Scientific profile (Research interests, publication record, distinctions & awards)

Her research currently focuses on the understanding of the biology of CNS Hemangioblastomas, a rare brain tumor, in order to identify the cell origin of the disease and the mechanisms underlying the tumor formation, and to uncover and validate targets for therapy. Additionally, she studies the impact of inhibitors related to cell metabolism and DNA damage on prostate cancer. She is an author of 19 original articles, 1 review and 1 book chapter (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/mynchi/evmorfia.konstantakou.1/bibliography/public/>) She received the following scholarships/fellowships: a) PhD Fellowship from Hellenic State Scholarships Foundation "IKY"(National competition), Athens, Greece, b) Postdoctoral Research Fellowship from European (and National contribution) Research Grant, "Thalis", Athens, Greece and c) Bertucci Postdoctoral Fellowship, MGH, Boston, USA

Priorities regarding activities that the HBA-USA should undertake

- Strengthen the connections between Greek scientists in Greece and USA.
- Enhance the opportunities and support of Greek young scientists in USA

Time commitment that the candidate can take during his term as a BD member:

Less than 4 hours/month _____
4-10 hours/month x
10-20 hours/month _____
More than 20 hours/month _____

Highest position that the candidate would prefer to hold in the BD (more than one can be selected):

President _____
Vice-President _____
General Secretary _____
Treasurer _____
Appointed Secretary _____
Councilor _____
Any of the above x

Additional comments that the Candidate wants to make:

As a Postdoc and Instructor at HMS/MGH I was always trying to connect with young scientists in Greece and help them to expand their experience in USA. Now, through a well established organization, as HBA USA, I will have the opportunity to further support these actions and help any kind of collaborations between Greek scientists in Greece and USA.