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## Research Interests

My scientific focus is on building secure and AI driven high scalable computing solutions in the cloud for genomic analysis focused on healthcare and more specifically cancer care and cancer research. Furthermore, to visualize these complex big data entities, I am also interested in spatial computing, Mixed Reality, Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality as solutions to enable immersive asynchronous remote collaboration and data visualization of healthcare and genomic data.

## Education

- December 2013     **M.S. in Computer Science**, *Columbia University*, Department of Computer Science, Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science, New York, NY, USA.  
**Track:** Thesis Research Track  
**GPA:** 3.851/4  
**Thesis:** *Surgical Structured Light for 3D Minimally Invasive Surgical Imaging*
- October 2011     **B.S. in Informatics**, *University of Piraeus*, Department of Informatics, Piraeus, Greece.  
**Track:** Information Systems Track  
**GPA:** 8.5/10  
**Thesis:** *Self Adaptive Robotic Warehouse Management Systems with event and location-based triggers*

## Experience

- Weill Cornell  
Medical College
- April 2020 -  
Present
- Assistant Professor of Research in Physiology and Biophysics,**  
**Assistant Professor of Research in Computational Biomedicine,**  
**Director, AI-XR Lab**  
**Institute for Computational Biomedicine,**  
**Englander Institute for Precision Medicine**
- Maintain, develop and manage efforts pertaining to the Laboratory for Artificial Intelligence and Extended Reality (AI/XR Lab) including leading the development of novel software applications in precision medicine.

- Lead the design and development of novel software solutions supporting the clinical and research activities at the Joint Clinical Genomics Initiative and at the Englander Institute for Precision Medicine.
- Oversee the design, development, and deployment of containerized solutions for the clinical genomics laboratory management system and data analysis, including QC/QA tools.
- Lead the efforts of large-scale genomic analysis in the cloud for both clinic and research activities; coordinate the development of artificial intelligence solutions to support the precision medicine knowledge base and the case review and sign out process.

Weill Cornell  
Medical College

**Senior Research Associate in Computational Biomedicine,  
Institute for Computational Biomedicine, Englander Institute for Precision  
Medicine**

May 2017 – April  
2020

- Lead the design and development of novel software solutions supporting the clinical and research activities at the Joint Clinical Genomics Initiative and at the Englander Institute for Precision Medicine.
- Lead the development of the virtual and augmented reality program for precision medicine.
- Oversee the design, development, and deployment of containerized solutions for the clinical genomics laboratory management system and data analysis, including QC/QA tools
- Lead the efforts of large-scale genomic analysis in the cloud for both clinic and research activities; coordinate the development of artificial intelligence solutions to support the precision medicine knowledge base and the case review and sign out process.

Weill Cornell  
Medical College

**Research Associate in Computational Biomedicine,  
Institute for Computational Biomedicine, Englander Institute for Precision  
Medicine**

April 2015 –  
May 2017

- Lead the search for new ways to leverage technology to advance precision medicine, including the use of Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality.
- Responsible for the design and implementation of the informatics infrastructure of the Englander Institute for Precision Medicine (EIPM), including the design and development of new tools to simplify user interaction with the laboratory information management system and the current IT infrastructure of WCM/NYP, collect and analyze user data and system performance within EIPM, and implement tools to report the results of the genomic analysis to the users via genomic portals.

Weill Cornell  
Medical College

**Programmer Analyst,  
Institute for Computational Biomedicine, Englander Institute for Precision  
Medicine**

March 2014 – April  
2015

Software Development Lead for all clinical and R&D activities of the Englander institution for Precision Medicine.

**Key Responsibilities:** Development of Next-Generation sequencing pipelines, LIS, cancer genomic portals and integrating genomic data to New York Presbyterian's HL7 infrastructure.

Columbia University

**Research Assistant (graduate), Robotics Lab**

September 2012 – March 2014

- **Project 1:** Developed prototype on Surgical Structured Light for 3D minimally invasive surgical imaging.
- **Project 2:** Developed brain computer interfaces for robotic grasping for people with locked-in syndrome.

Microsoft

**Internal Sales Education Specialist**

December 2011 – July 2012

Worked closely with universities and K-12 schools in Greece to provide cloud solutions and generally fulfill education institution needs in IT. Recipient of the Language Champion Award for the contribution to the Windows 8 International Review Program.

Microsoft

**Microsoft Student Partner**

November 2006 – December 2011

Member of Developers Platform Evangelists (DPE) group. Tasks included: administering the departmental Microsoft Developer Network Academic Alliance (MSDNAA) subscription, organizing technical presentations (for students) involving Microsoft products, advising students entering Microsoft's worldwide "Imagine Cup" programming contest, and setting up and moderating the studentguru.gr community website.

## Honors and Awards

November 2015

**Nominee**, Forbes 30 under 30 in the Science and Healthcare categories

July 2012

**Language Champion Award** for Contribution to the Windows 8 International Review Program

June 2012

**Fulbright Scholar**, U.S Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs

June 2012

**Scholarship** (for M.S. studies), Harry D. Triantafillu Scholarship Fund Award, Institute of International Education

October 2011

**Salutatorian**, University of Piraeus, Department of Informatics

October 2011

Graduated **summa cum laude**, University of Piraeus, Department of Informatics

November 2010

**Semi-Finalist**, Imagine Cup IT Challenge, Microsoft

December 2009

**Honorary Scholarship**, Hellenic American University

- December 2009      **2<sup>nd</sup> place winner**, Athens Startup Weekend 2
- November 2008      **Semi-Finalist**, Imagine Cup IT Challenge, Microsoft

## Teaching

### Teaching Assistant

- Created and graded homework, midterms, and final exams; prepared project material and gave lectures (Numbers in parentheses indicate enrollment).

COMS W4733 Computational Aspects of Robotics, Columbia University  
Instructor: Prof. Peter Allen, Fall 2013 (60)

## Certifications

- December 2011      Udacity – Introduction to Artificial Intelligence - (top 10%)
- October 2010      MCP, MCTS - 70-680: Microsoft Technology Specialist – Windows 7, Configuration
- June 2007          MCP, MCTS - 70-680: Microsoft Technology Specialist – Windows Vista, Configuration

## Publications

### Journal Articles

- [J.17] Barnes J, Brendel M, Gao VR, Rajendran S, Kim J, Li Q, Malmsten JE, Sierra JT, Zisimopoulos P, **Sigaras A**, Khosravi P, Meseguer M, Zhan Q, Rosenwaks Z, Elemento O, Zaninovic N, Hajirasouliha I. A non-invasive artificial intelligence approach for the prediction of human blastocyst ploidy: a retrospective model development and validation study. *Lancet Digit Health*. 2023 Jan;5(1):e28-e40. doi: 10.1016/S2589-7500(22)00213-8. PMID: 36543475.
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- [J.14] Kadri S, Sboner A, **Sigaras A**, Roy S. Containers in Bioinformatics: Applications, Practical Considerations, and Best Practices in Molecular Pathology. *J Mol Diagn.* 2022 May;24(5):442-454. doi: 10.1016/j.jmoldx.2022.01.006. Epub 2022 Feb 18. PMID: 35189355.
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- [J.12] Khosravi P, Lysandrou M, Eljalby M, Li Q, Kazemi E, Zisimopoulos P, **Sigaras A**, Brendel M, Barnes J, Ricketts C, Meleshko D, Yat A, McClure TD, Robinson BD, Sboner A, Elemento O, Chughtai B, Hajirasouliha I. A Deep Learning Approach to Diagnostic Classification of Prostate Cancer Using Pathology-Radiology Fusion. *J Magn Reson Imaging.* 2021 Aug;54(2):462-471. doi: 10.1002/jmri.27599. Epub 2021 Mar 14. PMID: 33719168; PMCID: PMC8360022.
- [J.11] Guo C, Crespo M, Gurel B, Dolling D, Rekowski J, Sharp A, Petremolo A, Sumanasuriya S, Rodrigues DN, Ferreira A, Pereira R, Figueiredo I, Mehra N, Lambros MBK, Neeb A, Gil V, Seed G, Terstappen L, Alimonti A, Drake CG, Yuan W, de Bono JS, Robinson D, Van Allen EM, Wu YM, Schultz N, Lonigro RJ, Mosquera JM, Montgomery B, Taplin ME, Pritchard CC, Attard G, Beltran H, Abida W, Bradley RK, Vinson J, Cao X, Vats P, Kunju LP, Hussain M, Tomlins SA, Cooney KA, Smith DC, Brennan C, Siddiqui J, Mehra R, Chen Y, Rathkopf DE, Morris MJ, Solomon SB, Durack JC, Reuter VE, Gopalan A, Gao J, Loda M, Lis RT, Bowden M, Balk SP, Gaviola G, Sougnez C, Gupta M, Evan YY, Mostaghel EA, Cheng HH, Mulcahy H, True LD, Plymate SR, Dvinge H, Ferraldeschi R, Flohr P, Miranda S, Zafeiriou Z, Tunariu N, Mateo J, Perez-Lopez R, Demichelis F, Robinson BD, Schiffman M, Nanus DM, Tagawa ST, **Sigaras A**, Eng KW, Elemento O, Sboner A, Heath EI, Scher HI, Pienta KJ, Kantoff P, Rubin MA, Nelson PS, Garraway LA, Sawyers CL, Chinnaiyan AM. CD38 in Advanced Prostate Cancers. *European Urology.* 2021 Mar 5. doi: 10.1016/j.eururo.2021.01.017
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- [J.7] Khosravi P, Kazemi E, Zhan Q, Malmsten JE, Toschi M, Zisimopoulos P, **Sigaras A**, Lavery S, Cooper LA, Hickman C, Meseguer M. Deep learning enables robust assessment and selection of human blastocysts after in vitro fertilization. *NPJ digital medicine*. 2019 Apr 4;2(1):1-9.  
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- [J.6] Sailer V, Eng KW, Zhang T, Bareja R, Pisapia D, **Sigaras A**, Bhinder B, Romanel A, Wilkes D, Sticca E, Cyrta C, Rao R, Sahota S, Pauli C, Beg S, Motanagh S, Kossai M, Fontunge J, Puca L, Rennert H, Xiang JZ, Greco N, Kim R, MacDonald TY, McNary T, Blattner-Johnson M, Schiffman MH, Faltas BM, Greenfield JP, Rickman D, Andreopoulou E, Holcomb K, Vahdat LT, Scherr DS, Koen van Besien, Barbieri CE, Robinson BD, Fine HA, Ocean AJ, Molina A, Shah MA, Nanus DM, Pan Q, Demichelis F, Tagawa ST, Song W, Mosquera JM, Sboner A, Rubin MA, Elemento O, and Beltran H Integrative Molecular Analysis of Patients With Advanced and Metastatic Cancer. *JCO Precision Oncology* 2019 :3, 1-12.  
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## Conference Proceedings

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## Abstracts

- [A.12] Perez N, Elemento O, Sboner A, **Sigaras A**. Building the Healthcare Metaverse: Leveraging Mixed Reality Guides to Augment Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) in a Precision Medicine Laboratory. *In JOURNAL OF MOLECULAR DIAGNOSTICS* 2022 Nov 1 (Vol. 24, No. 10, pp. S85-S86). doi: 10.1016/S1525-1578(22)00284-7
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- [A.9] Sboner A, Sternberg C, Mosquera JM, Song W, Kluk M, Tam W, Rennert H, Pisapia D, Catalano J, Cheang G, Wilkes D, Bulaon D, Martin LM, **Sigaras A**, Eng K, Bareja R, Kim R, Loda M, Elemento O. Abstract IA33: Precision medicine at Weill Cornell Medicine/New York Presbyterian: Breaking silos, integrating resources, being inclusive **Cancer Epidemiol Biomarkers Prev** June 1 2020 (29) (6 Supplement 2) IA33; doi: 10.1158/1538-7755.DISP19-IA33
- [A.8] Sboner A, Eng K, Zisimopoulos P, **Sigaras A**, Simi M, Ramazanoglu S, Spiewack M, Oakley J, Parmar S, Tang J, Catalano J, Kim R, Tam W, Kluk M, Song W, Elemento O. Building Scalable and Robust Informatics Systems for Clinical Genomic Assays in the Precision Medicine Era **In JOURNAL OF MOLECULAR DIAGNOSTICS** (Vol. 22, No. 5, pp. S6-S6). STE 800, 230 PARK AVE, NEW YORK, NY 10169 USA: ELSEVIER SCIENCE INC.
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- [A.6] **Sigaras A**, Wilkes D, Hebding C, Martin LM, Bulaon D, Catalano J, Mosquera JM, Sternberg C, Loda M, Weinstein H, Song W, Elemento O, Sboner A. Mixed Reality for a Precision Medicine Laboratory: The Future Is Now!. **In JOURNAL OF MOLECULAR DIAGNOSTICS** 2019 Nov 1 (Vol. 21, No. 6, pp. 1172-1172). doi:10.1016/S1525-1578(19)30391-5
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## Posters

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# Reviewing Activities

## Journals

Review Editor for Virtual Reality in Medicine - Journal of Frontiers in Virtual Reality

## Talks, Lectures

### Invited Talks

- 10/01/2022      **AI and XR opportunities in Clinical Education and Care Delivery**  
Virtual Healthcare in the Mainstream Symposium & Research Forum 2022  
Weill Cornell Medicine
- 03/18/2021      **Metaverse: The Next Frontier in Medicine?**  
Institute for Computational Biomedicine, Research in Progress Seminar Series  
Weill Cornell Medicine
- 06/29/2021      **XR in Medicine in the era of Precision Medicine**  
Stanford Healthcare Innovation Lab
- 05/16/2021      **XR in Medicine in the era of Precision Medicine**  
9<sup>th</sup> International Summer School in Medical Biosciences Research & Management  
World Hellenic Biomedical Association
- 01/15/2021      **XR in Medicine in the era of Precision Medicine**  
Institute for Computational Biomedicine, Research in Progress Seminar Series  
Weill Cornell Medicine
- 07/24/2020      **XR in Medicine**  
2nd Biomedical Big Data Symposium  
New York City College of Technology, City University of New York
- 02/14/2020      **AI and Mixed Reality in Precision Medicine**  
2nd Biomedical Big Data Symposium  
New York City College of Technology, City University of New York
- 01/31/2020      **Mixed Reality in Precision Medicine**  
NYU Tandon School of Engineering, New York, NY
- 10/28/2019 –  
10/29/2019      **Digital Technologies for Clinical Care – Panelist**  
**Artificial Intelligence for Cancer – Discussion Leader**  
Precision Medicine Research Symposium  
Cornell Tech and Weill Cornell Medicine, New York, NY
- 10/25/2019 –  
10/26/2019      **XR in Healthcare**  
R Lab Master Class 2019

- 06/05/2019 **XR in Medicine in the era of Precision Medicine**  
R Lab Well 2019
- 06/19/2019 **Big Data Visualization and Spatial Computing in Precision Medicine**  
Biomedical Big Data Summer Bootcamp 2019  
Weill Cornell Medicine
- 02/15/2019 **Big Data in Precision Medicine**  
1st Biomedical Big Data Symposium  
New York City College of Technology, City University of New York
- 06/20/2018 **Big Data Visualization - Mixed Reality, Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality**  
Biomedical Big Data Summer Bootcamp 2018  
Weill Cornell Medicine
- 01/11/2017 **How HoloLens transforms Healthcare**  
Microsoft Reactor, Grand Central Tech, NY
- 11/21/2008 **Introduction to Robotics with MS Robotics Studio**  
Microsoft, Athens, Greece
- 01/29/2008 **Robotics Warehouse Project**  
Selected presentation/talk to the Chairman of Microsoft, Bill Gates and Kostas Karamanlis, Prime Minister of Greece at the inaugural opening of the Microsoft Innovation Center in Greece  
Microsoft Innovation Center, Greece
- 12/17/2007 **Introduction to Robotics with MS Robotics Studio and LEGO Mindstorms NXT**  
IEEE hosted event  
University of Patras, Greece

## Guest Lectures

- 03/01/2023 **AI and Medical Extended Reality in the Era of Precision Medicine**  
Biomedical Informatics Colloquium, New York City College of Technology, City University of New York  
Host: Prof: Pegah Khosravi
- 02/01/2023 **AI and Medical Extended Reality in the Era of Precision Medicine**  
Functional Interpretation of High-Throughput Data, Weill Cornell Medicine  
Host: Prof: Andrea Sboner
- 12/05/2022 **AI and Medical Extended Reality in the Era of Precision Medicine**  
Topics in Pathophysiology, Deree College, The American College of Greece  
Host: Prof: Alexia Victoria Polissidis
- 02/16/2022 **Medical Extended Reality in the Era of Precision Medicine**  
Biomedical Informatics Colloquium, New York City College of Technology, City University of New York

Host: Prof. Eugenia Giannopoulou

- 11/17/2021 **Medical Extended Reality in the Era of Precision Medicine**  
Data Structures and Algorithms for Computational Biology, Weill Cornell Medicine  
Host: Prof. Iman Hajirasouliha
- 10/13/2021 **Medical Extended Reality in the Era of Precision Medicine**  
Virtual and Augmented Reality, Cornell Tech  
Host: Prof. Harald Haraldsson
- 12/04/2020 **XR in Medicine in the era of Precision Medicine**  
Hostos Community College, City University of New York  
Hosts: Prof. Yoel Rodriguez, Prof Anna Ivanova
- 11/21/2019 **Mixed Reality in Precision Medicine**  
Virtual and Augmented Reality, Cornell Tech  
Host: Prof. Harald Haraldsson
- 12/2/2015 **Precision Medicine**  
Bioinformatics II, New York City College of Technology, City University of New York  
Host: Prof. Eugenia Giannopoulou
- 11/24/2011 **Intro to Programming in C++ and C#**  
Introduction to Programming, University of Piraeus, Greece  
Host: Prof. Ioannis-Christos Panagiotopoulos
- 12/16/2010 **Introduction to Expression Blend**  
Human Computer Interaction, University of Piraeus, Greece  
Host: Prof. Maria Virvou
- 12/09/2010 **Introduction to Sketchflow**  
E-learning, University of Piraeus, Greece  
Host: Prof. Symeon Retalis

## Selected Press and Media Coverage

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<https://news.weill.cornell.edu/news/2022/12/harnessing-artificial-intelligence-technology-for-ivf-embryo-selection>
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- 05/28/2020 **Protocol**, *Coronavirus sent us home. Will VR bring us back together?*  
<https://www.protocol.com/vr-headset-future-of-work>
- 07/15/2019 **CNN**, *Would you trust an algorithm to diagnose an illness?*  
<https://www.cnn.com/2019/07/15/business/artificial-intelligence-healthcare/index.html>
- 04/24/2019 **NYP - Health Matters**, *Behind the Latest Advance in IVF Treatment*  
<https://healthmatters.nyp.org/behind-the-latest-advance-in-ivf-treatment/>
- 04/11/2019 **Cornell Chronicle**, *Researchers test using AI to optimize IVF embryo selection*  
<https://news.cornell.edu/stories/2019/04/researchers-test-using-ai-optimize-ivf-embryo-selection>
- 04/05/2019 **Wired**, *AI Could Scan IVF Embryos to Help Make Babies More Quickly*  
<https://www.wired.com/story/ai-could-scan-ivf-embryos-to-help-make-babies-more-quickly/>
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