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"Agregação" in Molecular Genetics, Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia da Universidade Nova de Lisboa (FCT/UNL), 1989; Ph.D. in Biology/Molecular Genetics, (FCT/UNL), 1981; Degree in Biology ("Licenciatura"/MSc), Faculdade de Ciências, Universidade de Lisboa, 1969

PRESENT APPOINTMENTS: Starting date, position, institution

1999-present: Full Professor, Instituto de Tecnologia Química e Biológica da Universidade Nova de Lisboa (ITQB/UNL)
1989-present: Head, Laboratory of Molecular Genetics, ITQB/UNL
1990-present: Senior Research Associate, The Rockefeller University, NY, USA

OTHER APPOINTMENTS/POSITIONS: Dates in reverse chronological order, positions, institutions

1985-1999: Associate Professor, FCT/UNL, Lisbon
1988 (3-month period) and 1989-1990 (sabbatical year): Visiting Professor, Laboratory of Microbiology, The Rockefeller University, New York, NY, USA
1986 (3-month period): Visiting Professor, Laboratory of Microbiology and Immunology, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, USA
1981-1985: Assistant Professor FCT/UNL, Lisbon
1976-1981: Lecturer, FCT/UNL, Lisbon
1977-1979 and 1981-1984 (3-month periods): Visiting Scientist, National Institute for Medical Research, Mill Hill, London, UK
1974-1989: PhD student/Postdoctoral Fellow/Investigator, Gulbenkian Institute of Science, Oeiras
1970-1974: Lecturer, Universidade de Luanda, Angola

MAIN SCIENTIFIC AREA OF RESEARCH

Microbial genetics

OTHER SCIENTIFIC AREAS INTEREST

Genetics, biochemistry and molecular biology of Gram-Positive bacteria and phages, including mechanisms of antibiotic resistance and spread of resistance genes and clones.

SUPERVISING EXPERIENCE

Supervisor and/or Co-Supervisor of Postdoctoral fellows (>18), PhD students (38), Master Degree students (10) and Undergraduate- and Research students (150). From the 36 PhD students 36 finished their Ph. D. Thesis between 1990 and 2016; currently supervises/co-supervises 6 Ph.D. students.

PROJECTS SUPERVISION

Large experience as Principal Investigator and Co-Principal Investigator of more than **50** Projects funded either by National (JNICT, FCT, FCG) or International Grant Agencies (EU, NATO, NIH).

MEMBERSHIP IN SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

American Society for Microbiology (ASM)

Society of General Microbiology (SGM)

European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (ESCMID)

Portuguese Society for Microbiology (SPM)

Portuguese Society for Biochemistry (SPB)

PUBLICATIONS: [275]

Ph. D. Thesis [1]

Análise Molecular da Transdução de *Bacillus subtilis* pelo Bacteriófago SPP1. Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia da Universidade Nova de Lisboa. July 13 1981.

Book Chapters [8]

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8. Miragaia, M. and H. de Lencastre. 2014. *Staphylococcus aureus* e outros *Staphylococcus*. In *Microbiologia Médica*. Part IV: Bacteriologia Médica. Chapter 20. 1st Edition. LIDEL, Lisbon, Portugal.

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8. Santos, M. A., H. de Lencastre, and L. J. Archer. 1983. *Bacillus subtilis* mutation blocking irreversible binding of bacteriophage SPP1. *J. Gen. Microbiol.* **129**:3499-504.
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10. Santos, M. A., H. de Lencastre, and L. J. Archer. 1984. Homology between phages SPP1, 41c, 22a, p15 and SP6 of *Bacillus subtilis*. *J. Gen. Virol.* **65**:2067-72.
11. Estrela, A.I., H. de Lencastre, and L.J.Archer. 1986. Resistance of a *Bacillus subtilis* mutant to a group of temperate bacteriophages. *J. Gen. Microbiol.* **132**:411-5.
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