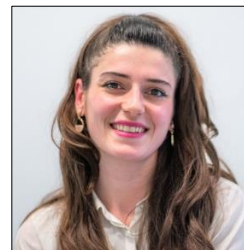


Curriculum Vitae – Besa Emini Veseli

1. Personal information, including the researcher ID:

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| Name | Besa Emini Veseli (OrcID) |
| Date of birth | 27 May 1990 |
| Gender | Female |
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2. Education:

- 05/2016 – 12/2021** **Double doctoral degree** in Pharmaceutical Sciences ([University of Antwerp](#)) and Medical Sciences ([University of Aberdeen](#)) – H2020-MSCA Fellowship (3 yrs) & fellowship from University Research Fund (1 year) – **Belgium**
Prof. Guido De Meyer (University of Antwerp)
Prof. Mirela Delibegovic (University of Aberdeen)
- 14 Dec 2021 Thesis title: “*Search for new therapeutic options to prevent and treat plaque neovascularization and atherogenesis*”
- 09/2018 – 03/2019 University secondment (research stay at University of Aberdeen) – **United Kingdom**
- 05/2016 – 08/2016 Industrial secondment (research stay at Bayer Healthcare Manufacturing S.R.L) - **Italy**
- Career breaks during PhD** – The birth of Hana Veseli (03/2019) – 6 months
Deliza Veseli (03/2021) – 6 months
- 10/2008 – 9/2014** **Master of Pharmaceutical Sciences** (5-year diploma) – University of Prishtina - **Kosovo**
- 11/2013 – 8/2014 **Master thesis and research stay** – Institute of Pharmaceutical/Medicinal Chemistry, Friedrich-Schiller University Jena; **Prof. Oliver Werz - Germany**, title “*Investigation of molecular-pharmacological profile of potential 5-LO/FLAP inhibitors – ERS187*”

3. Employment history:

- 05/2016 – 12/2021** **Doctoral candidate in Pharmaceutical and Medical Sciences** - University of Antwerp and University of Aberdeen; Lab. of Prof. Guido De Meyer and Lab. of Prof. Mirela Delibegovic
- 10/2014 – 10/2015** **Teaching Assistant** – University of Prishtina, Faculty of Medicine
- Delivering [practical courses to third year bachelor](#) and [first year master students of Pharmacy](#). Subjects: [Medicinal Chemistry](#), [Pharmacognosy](#), [Drug analysis](#).
- Re-elected in the next year (2016), but had to resign due to the start of the PhD
- 03/2015 – 08/2015** **GRE Instructor & Remedial math instructor** – American University in Kosovo (part-time)
- [Teaching and helping young students](#) of different fields in mastering the [standardized tests](#) (Graduate Record Examination) important for admission at high rank universities in USA and Europe. [Three of the students won prestigious fellowships](#).

Voluntarily Services:

- 06/2016 – 01/2017** **Article/medical writer** – 'We speak science' Organization (non-profit)
- Helping in [enhancing science education](#) in USA and Europe by writing medical/scientific articles for the wider audience (laymen /non-scientific)
- 10/2014 – 03/2015** **Internship** – Kosovo Medicines Agency
- Assisting in the scientific evaluation of medicines for use in Kosovo.

4. Approved research projects:

- 10/2019 – 10/2020** DOCPRO1-University Research Fund entitled "*Pharmacological approaches to inhibit IP angiogenesis and to stabilize atherosclerotic plaque*" – Laboratory of Physiopharmacology; University of Antwerp.

5. Supervision of junior researchers:

- 10/2017 – 3/2018** International bachelor thesis
Julie Lebrun; Rani Robeyns; Jill Daelemans; Margaux Van den Abbeele; Astrid Lambrecht
Thesis title: "*The glycolytic pathway as a novel pharmacological target in atherosclerosis*"

6. Teaching activities (summary information):

As a distinguished student, right after my graduation I was offered teaching duties at the Department of Pharmacy (Faculty of Medicine, [University of Prishtina](#)). Responsible for performing teaching of practical courses for the subjects of Medicinal Chemistry (**first year Master**), Pharmacognosy and Drug Analysis (**third year Bachelor**). In addition, I was engaged as part-time instructor USAID TLP Immersion courses ([American University in Kosovo](#)), to teach **Remedial Math** and **Graduate Record Examination** (GRE). This was related more to my critical thinking, English language & teaching skills, rather than to my background (Pharmacy).

7. Memberships in panels, boards, etc., and individual scientific reviewing activities:

Panel member of the conference "**Albanian women in STEM**" – Increasing the level of interest in STEM within youth. **21/12/2020**

8. Active memberships in scientific societies, fellowships in renowned academies:

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| European Society of Atherosclerosis (EAS) | 2020 - ongoing |
| National representative of Kosovo in Marie Skłodowska Curie Alumni Association (MSCAA) - <i>advocating the best practice in science and research in Balkans, to reach European and global standards.</i> | 2020 - ongoing |
| European Vascular Biology Organization (EVBO) | 2021 - ongoing |

9. Prizes, awards, fellowships:

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| DocPro1 Fellowship – A University Research Fund for doctoral researcher on EU-funded fellowships, showing excellent results, yet requesting one more year as a standard timing for PhDs in Belgium | 11/2019 – 11/2020 |
| Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellowship - Horizon2020 project " MoGlyNET " – "Modulation of glycolytic flux as a new approach for treatment of atherosclerosis and plaque stabilization: a multidisciplinary study" | 5/2016 – 10/2019 |

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| DAAD Fellowship – German Academic Exchange Service fellowship to attend the “International Summer School of Molecular Medicine” organized by Prof. Dr. Regine Heller (Center of Molecular Biomedicine) | 08/2013 – 09/2013 |
| Fellowship – to attend the “International Summer School on Vaccinology” organized by Prof. Dr. Pierre Van Dame (University of Antwerp) | 07/2015 |
| Fellowship for distinguished students (GPA >9.5/10) – awarded from the University of Prishtina, for 4 academic years | 2009 - 2013 |

10. Personal skills:

Languages:

Albanian (native);

English (full professional proficiency);

French (limited working proficiency); - Learned during the PhD time (level 1 to 5)

Italian (elementary proficiency);

German (elementary proficiency).

Working with laboratory animals:

- FELASA C – Laboratory animal science for scientists (Antwerp)
- ScotPil – Training for personnel working under the Animals Act (Scotland)

11. Career breaks:

The birth of Hana Veseli – 10 March 2019

6 months maternity & breastfeeding leave

The birth of Deliza Veseli – 06 March 2019

6 months maternity & breastfeeding leave