

Short Curriculum Vitae

Dr Konstantinos Vemmos is an Internist, with special interest in the prevention and treatment of cerebrovascular disease since 1989 (Stroke Medicine). He graduated from the Medical School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens in 1974. MD thesis 1982: "Pacing site and left ventricular myocardial contractility" (experimental study), National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

Dr Vemmos has served in the Department of Clinical Therapeutics of the University of Athens at the hospital "Alexandra" from 1978 to 2012 as a consultant and, later on, as a Director in the National Health System. In 1989, under the supervision of Professor Mouloupoulos, the 1st Acute Stroke Unit in Greece was established at the "Alexandra" University Hospital, the clinical responsibility of which was assigned to Dr. Vemmos. During the years 1991-1992 he trained as a Clinical Stroke Research Fellow in the Department of Neurology (Stroke Service) of New England Medical Center, TUFTS University. In 1992 he has reorganized the first Acute Stroke Unit in Greece in the department of Clinical Therapeutics of the University of Athens (Alexandra Hospital) and he was director from 1992 until 2012.

He is a fellow member of the European Stroke Organization, the World Stroke Organization and a founding member of the "Hellenic Cardiovascular Research Society". Since 2014 he is the elected president of the Hellenic Stroke Association. Dr. Vemmos is the co-editor of the journal "HEART VESSELS & BRAIN" and co-organizer of the annual Conference "Heart, Vessels & Stroke". He is a founding member of the Institute for the Study and Education in Thrombosis and Antithrombotic Therapy (IMETHA). He has published more than 180 scientific articles in international literature with more than 6,300 citations (SCOPUS, h -index 42). He has participated in international conferences with more than 200 abstracts and has given the last years more than 300 lectures on stroke fields. The main topics of his scientific research are epidemiology and prevention of stroke, acute phase of stroke management, stroke risk factors, and prognosis of stroke. He is also a reviewer in several international medical journals and has authored chapters in scientific books as well as a large number of articles in medical journals and newspapers.