

Curriculum vitae

Dragan Stajic

Education

- March 2018 **PhD degree in Evolutionary Biology** at Instituto Gulbenkian de Ciência (IGC), Oeiras, Portugal; Project: “The role of epigenetic mechanisms in adaptive evolution”; Supervisors: Dr. Lars Jansen (Epigenetic Mechanisms Group), Dr. Lilia Perfeito (Evolution and Genome Stability);
- Dec. 2012 **Master degree in Molecular Biology and Physiology** at Faculty of Biology, University of Belgrade, Serbia; Major: Genetic engineering and Biotechnology/ Experimental medicine; GPA: 9.15 (10 denoting the highest possible mark); Project: “Expression of endoglin in brown adipose tissue of rats”; Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Aleksandra Korac

Current research activities

- May 2018- present **Postdoctoral Fellow** at IGC, Oeiras, Portugal
Supervisors: Dr. Isabel Gordo (Evolutionary Biology Group), Dr. Claudia Bank (Evolutionary Dynamics Group)
Project: Developing a mathematical model that would explain the adaptation dynamics of a biological system that contains epigenetic system of inheritance.

Fellowships

- 2013 **PhD Fellowship (SFRH/BD/52170/2013)** Funded by Portuguese Research Council (FCT), Portugal
- 2018 **Postdoctoral Fellowship (PREPARE project)** Funded by Portuguese Research Council (FCT) and JPIAMR (Joint Programming Initiative on Antimicrobial Resistance), Portugal

Awards

- 2016 **Best poster award** for the poster presented at the XII Meeting of Portuguese Association for Evolutionary Biology (XII ENBE)

Oral communications

- 2017 **“The role of epigenetic mechanisms in adaptive evolution”**, Gordon Conference
“Molecular Mechanisms in Evolution”, Stonehill College, USA
- 2017 **“The role of epigenetic mechanisms in adaptive evolution”**, Conference of European
Society for Evolutionary Biology (ESEB-2017), Groningen, Netherlands
- 2017 **“The role of epigenetic mechanisms in adaptive evolution”**, XIII Meeting of
Portuguese Association for Evolutionary Biology (XIII ENBE), Faro, Portugal
- 2018 **“Epigenetic gene silencing alters the mechanisms and rate of evolutionary
adaptation”**, “Epigenetics and adaptation” Symposium of the II Joint Congress on
Evolutionary Biology- Montpellier, France

Poster communications

- 2014 **“The role of epigenetic mechanisms in adaptive evolution”**, X Meeting of
Portuguese Association for Evolutionary Biology (X ENBE), Lisbon, Portugal
- 2016 **“The role of epigenetic mechanisms in adaptive evolution”**, XII Meeting of
Portuguese Association for Evolutionary Biology (XII ENBE), Aveiro, Portugal

Publications in peer-reviewed journals

D. Stajic, L. Perfeito, L. Jansen. Epigenetic gene silencing alters the mechanisms and rate of evolutionary adaptation. *Nature Ecology&Evolution*. (in print)

Other academic activities

Peer- review as a referee for the Special Issue of Heredity “Evolutionary Consequences of Epigenetic Inheritance”