

# Curriculum Vitae

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### PERSONAL INFORMATION

**Place of Birth:** Hamedan, Iran.

**Language:** English, Persian (Mother Tongue)

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### EDUCATION BACKGROUND

**2005** BSc, Medical Laboratory Science, Iran University of Medical sciences, Iran

**2008** MSc, Medical Biotechnology, Tabriz University of Medical sciences, Iran

**2012** Visiting Researcher, Wellman Center for Photomedicine at Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston USA

**2013** PhD, Nanobiotechnology, Tarbiat Modares University, Iran

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### Thesis

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**M.Sc. thesis:** “Identification and cloning of ECM33 homologue gene of *Aspergillus Niger* and preparation of a gene construct for its functional disruption”, (2003-2007)

**PhD thesis:** “gene therapy of prostate cancer by chitosan nanoparticle containing ODNs of Anti sense EGFR and Anti sense Bcl-2”, (2008-2013)

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## Honors and Grants

**03/2011** IRANIAN NANOTECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE COUNCIL Research Prize due to research on gene delivery systems

**09/2016**, Ranked 34th among all faculty members in Iran, by Iran Science Elites Federation (ISEF), IRAN in 2016

**2016**, Granted by Iran Science Elites Federation (ISEF), as a distinguished researcher with high-impact published papers

**2015-2016**, Grant for taking two POSTDOCs, from Iran Science Elites Federation (ISEF)

**2015-2016**, Grants (Several times), from IRANIAN NANOTECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE COUNCIL, as research prizes for high-impact published papers.

**2016** Our article "Smart micro/nanoparticles in stimulus-responsive drug/gene delivery systems" selected as the Best article of Iran University of Medical Sciences in 2016.

**2017** Our article “Smart nanostructures for cargo delivery: Uncaging and activating by light”, JACS, selected as distinguished article by Iran Science Elites Federation (ISEF)

**2016** Our article: "pH-Sensitive stimulus-responsive nanocarriers for targeted delivery of therapeutic agents" selected among 10 hot-papers of Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews: Nanomedicine and Nanobiotechnology in 2016

**2017** Our article “Smart nanostructures for cargo delivery: Uncaging and activating by light”, distinguished to be among the "Spot Lights" of JACS journal.

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## Faculty Academic Appointments

**05/2003-05/2005** Chair of student research committee, Iran University of Medical Science (Committee Service)

**09/2008-09/2011** Lecturer Biological Department, **I.A.U.V.** (Islamic Azad University- Varamin-Pishva Branch)

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**05/2012-12/2012** Visiting Researcher Wellman center at **MGH** and **Harvard Medical School**, Boston

**01/2014- Present** Assistant Professor Medical Nanotechnology Department **IUMS** (Iran University of Medical Science)

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## **Report of Local Teaching and Training**

### **Teaching of Students in Courses:**

**08/2009-05/2011**, Biotechnology, Lecturer, I.A.U.V. , BSc students /years, (Islamic Azad University-Varamin- Pishva Branch), (100 Hours /year)

**01/2014- Present**, Nanobiotechnology, Nanotoxicology, IUMS, MSc students (Iran University of Medical Science)

**01/2014- Present**, Introduction to nanotechnology, Nanomaterial, IUMS, students, (Iran University of Medical Science)

### **Laboratory and Other Research Supervisory and Training Responsibilities:**

**2013-Present**, Supervisor and Advisor of MSc students and PhD students

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## **RESEARCH & REVIEW ARTICLES (In-print or other)**

1. Nasser B, Soleimani N, Rabiee N, Kalbasi A, Karimi M, Hamblin MR. Point-of-care microfluidic devices for pathogen detection. *Biosensors and Bioelectronics*. 2018.
2. Malekzad H, Zangabad PS, Mohammadi H, Sadroddini M, Jafari Z, Mahlooji N, et al. Noble metal nanostructures in optical biosensors: basics, and their introduction to anti-doping detection. *TrAC Trends in Analytical Chemistry*. 2018.
3. Malekzad H, Mirshekari H, Sahandi Zangabad P, Moosavi Basri S, Baniasadi F, Sharifi Aghdam M, et al. Plant protein-based hydrophobic fine and ultrafine carrier particles in drug delivery systems. *Critical reviews in biotechnology*. 2018;38(1):47-67.
4. Jahromi MAM, Zangabad PS, Basri SMM, Zangabad KS, Ghamarypour A, Aref AR, et al. Nanomedicine and advanced technologies for burns: Preventing infection and facilitating wound healing. *Advanced drug delivery reviews*. 2018;123:33-64.
5. Ghasemi A, Rabiee N, Ahmadi S, Lolasi F, Borzogomid M, Kalbasi A, et al. Optical Assays Based on Colloidal Inorganic Nanoparticles. *Analyst*. 2018.
6. Farjadian F, Moghoofei M, Mirkiani S, Ghasemi A, Rabiee N, Hadifar S, et al. Bacterial components as naturally inspired nano-carriers for drug/gene delivery and immunization: Set the bugs to work? *Biotechnology advances*. 2018.
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  11. Malekzad H, Zangabad PS, Mirshekari H, Karimi M, Hamblin MR. Noble metal nanoparticles in biosensors: recent studies and applications. *Nanotechnology reviews*. 2017;6(3):301-29.
  12. Karimi M, Sahandi Zangabad P, Baghaee-Ravari S, Ghazadeh M, Mirshekari H, Hamblin MR. Smart nanostructures for cargo delivery: uncaging and activating by light. *Journal of the American Chemical Society*. 2017;139(13):4584-610.
  13. Ghasemi A, Amiri H, Zare H, Masroor M, Hasanzadeh A, Beyzavi A, et al. Carbon nanotubes in microfluidic lab-on-a-chip technology: current trends and future perspectives. *Microfluidics and Nanofluidics*. 2017;21(9):151.
  14. Karimi M, Zare H, Bakhshian Nik A, Yazdani N, Hamrang M, Mohamed E, et al. Nanotechnology in diagnosis and treatment of coronary artery disease. *Nanomedicine*. 2016;11(5):513-30.
  15. Karimi M, Sahandi Zangabad P, Ghasemi A, Amiri M, Bahrami M, Malekzad H, et al. Temperature-responsive smart nanocarriers for delivery of therapeutic agents: applications and recent advances. *ACS applied materials & interfaces*. 2016;8(33):21107-33.
  16. Karimi M, Mirshekari H, Basri SMM, Bahrami S, Moghoofei M, Hamblin MR. Bacteriophages and phage-inspired nanocarriers for targeted delivery of therapeutic cargos. *Advanced drug delivery reviews*. 2016;106:45-62.
  17. Karimi M, Mirshekari H, Aliakbari M, Sahandi-Zangabad P, Hamblin MR. Smart mesoporous silica nanoparticles for controlled-release drug delivery. *Nanotechnology Reviews*. 2016;5(2):195-207.
  18. Karimi M, M Moosavi Basri S, Vossoughi M, S Pakchin P, Mirshekari H, R Hamblin M. Redox-sensitive smart nanosystems for drug and gene delivery. *Current Organic Chemistry*. 2016;20(28):2949-59.
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  20. Karimi M, Eslami M, Sahandi-Zangabad P, Mirab F, Farajisafiloo N, Shafaei Z, et al. pH-Sensitive stimulus-responsive nanocarriers for targeted delivery of therapeutic agents. *Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews: Nanomedicine and Nanobiotechnology*. 2016;8(5):696-716.
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26. Jahromi MAM, Karimi M, Azadmanesh K, Manesh HN, Hassan ZM, Moazzeni SM. The effect of chitosan-tripolyphosphate nanoparticles on maturation and function of dendritic cells. *Comparative Clinical Pathology*. 2014;23(5):1421-7.

27. Vatansever F, de Melo WC, Avci P, Vecchio D, Sadasivam M, Gupta A, et al. Antimicrobial strategies centered around reactive oxygen species–bactericidal antibiotics, photodynamic therapy, and beyond. *FEMS microbiology reviews*. 2013;37(6):955-89.

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## Books

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## Conferences And Presentations

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3. **Mahdi Karimi**, Yazdanparast A , Aref A, Beyzavi A. Microfluidic as a useful tool in cell biology and technology. 3rd Iranian Congress on Medical Mycology, April 2014.

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## **Narrative Report**

My main research interests are broadly in the area of nanobiotechnology. This area concentrates on gene and drug delivery via smart and targeted nanoparticles to cancer cells or stem cells. At present time, I have focused on designing smart and targeted polymeric nanoparticles for ODNs as well as gene delivery systems to target cancer cells, especially, prostate and breast cancer cells. As well, the combined approaches of microfluidic technology, nanotechnology and tissue engineering is of my high interest.