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PRESS RELEASE

**A McGill University Professor is hosted as Greek Diaspora Fellow in the
Laboratory of Biochemistry of the Medical Faculty in Larissa**

In the context of the Greek Diaspora Fellowship Program, funded by the Stavros Niarchos Foundation (SNF) and administered by the Institute of International Education (IIE) in collaboration with the Fulbright Foundation in Greece, the Laboratory of Biochemistry of the Medical Faculty, University of Thessaly in Larissa is hosting Dr. Antonis Koromilas, Professor of Molecular Oncology in the Medical School of McGill University in Montreal, Canada. Dr. Koromilas, who was born and raised in Larissa, obtained his first degree and his PhD from the Department of Chemistry of the Aristotelian University of Thessaloniki. He then worked as post-doctoral researcher in Kyoto University, in the laboratory of Dr. Tasuku Honjo (Nobel Prize in Medicine, 2018) and, since 1993, he has been a faculty member of the Oncology Department of McGill University and a project Director at Lady Davis Institute-Sir Mortimer B. Davis Jewish General Hospital. His research interests focus on the molecular mechanisms of protein synthesis in cancer cells and their implications in cancer treatment with chemotherapeutic drugs. In Larissa, Dr. Koromilas has delivered a series of open seminars on molecular oncology to students and faculty members of the Postgraduate Programs “Clinical Applications of Molecular Medicine” of the Medical Department and “Advanced Experimental & Computational Biosciences” of the Biochemistry & Biotechnology Department. He is also participating in the training of young researchers, members of the hosting Laboratory of Biochemistry. Dr. Koromilas is also working together with the director of the host laboratory, Biochemistry Professor Dr. George Simos, for the development of joint educational and research programs, aiming at bringing closer and forming a strong collaboration between the University of Thessaly and McGill University, which is among the thirty top Universities in the world rankings. Dr. Koromilas will be in Larissa till the end of July and is willing to provide advice and information to students who are interested to follow postgraduate studies or research in Canada.



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Dr. Koromilas (bottom right) in conversation with students and faculty members of the Medical Faculty and the Department of Biochemistry & Biotechnology of the University of Thessaly, after the end of one of his seminars on Molecular Oncology.