

CURRICULUM VITAE



PERSONAL INFORMATION

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PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2024 – Present
Associate Professor, Department of Forensic Medicine, Bioethics, Deontology and Medical Law, Victor Babeș University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara (UMFVBT)

2013 – 2024
Senior Lecturer, Department of Forensic Medicine, Bioethics, Deontology and Medical Law, Victor Babeș University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara (UMFVBT)

2008 – Present
Senior Consultant (Primary physician) in Forensic Medicine, confirmed by Order of the Ministry of Public Health no. 1971/03.12.2008, Institute of Forensic Medicine Timișoara (clinical integration)

2001 – 2008
Specialist in Forensic Medicine, confirmed by Order of the Ministry of Health and Family no. 866/2001, Institute of Forensic Medicine Timișoara (clinical integration)

1997 – 2012
Assistant Lecturer, Department of Forensic Medicine, Bioethics, Deontology and Medical Law, Victor Babeș University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara (UMFVBT)

1997 – 2001
Resident Physician in Forensic Medicine, Institute of Forensic Medicine Timișoara

1996 – 1997
Full-time PhD Candidate, Victor Babeș University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara, Department of Forensic Medicine

1995 – 1996
Laboratory Technician, Victor Babeș University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara, Department of Forensic Medicine

1994 – 1995
Intern Physician, Timișoara County Clinical Hospital

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Secondary and Higher Education

1987-1993

Victor Babeş University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara, graduated with a Medical Doctor (MD) degree, Diploma no. 123/01.02.1994

1982-1986

Mathematics–Physics High School No. 1 “Informatics” Timișoara, graduated with a Baccalaureate Diploma no. 98/05.07.1986, with a Professional Qualification Certificate in Programming, Operations and Analysis (Informatics profile), no. 13/05.07.1986.

PhD in Medicine, thesis defended on 03.12.2010, confirmed by Order of the Ministry of Education, Research, Youth and Sports (MECTS) no. 4387/06.06.2011

Postgraduate, Doctoral and Specialist Training

2025, March 4 – April 4

Course: “*The Complexity of Malpractice Cases in Contemporary Medical Practice*”, University Chair of Professional Legislation in Dental Medicine and the University Clinic of Forensic Medicine, Bioethics, Deontology and Medical Law, Victor Babeş University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara (UMFVBT)

2023, June 7, Eforie Nord, Romania

Course: “*Medico-Legal Approach to Sexual Violence*”, Romanian Society of Legal Medicine

2022, May 5–7, Braşov, Romania

Course: “*Ethical Values in Contemporary Society. Professional Error and Ethical Dilemmas during the COVID-19 Period*”, Transilvania University of Braşov

2021, October 22, Sighișoara, Romania

Course: “*The Role of Charting Dental Anomalies in Human Identification*”, Romanian Society of Legal Medicine

2021, October 22, Sighișoara, Romania

Course: “*DNA Databases: An Overview*”, Romanian Society of Legal Medicine

2021, October 21, Sighișoara, Romania

Course: “*Women’s Role in Forensic Science and in Crimes*”, Romanian Society of Legal Medicine

2021, October 11, Timișoara, Romania

Course: “*Advances in Human Identification Methods*”, Victor Babeş University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara (UMFVBT)

2020, August 28, Timișoara, Romania

Webinar: “*Forensic Pathology in COVID-19 and/or SARS-CoV-2 Positive Cases*”, Romanian College of Physicians and Romanian Society of Legal Medicine

2018, May 24, Cheile Grădiștei, Romania

Course: “*Missing Persons Genetic Identification from Skeletal Remains*”, Romanian Society of Legal Medicine

2017, May 25, Murighiol, Romania

Course: “*Current Issues in Forensic Toxicology*”, Romanian Society of Legal Medicine

2015, Timișoara, Romania

Course: “*Forensic Case Management System*”, within the project “*National Forensic Medicine Registry and Training of Users and Administrators*”, CDO SMIS 49912

2015, Timișoara, Romania

Theoretical and Practical Training Course for Teaching Staff, Department of Psycho-Pedagogical Didactics, Modules I and II, West University of Timișoara (UVT)

2014, October 23–25, Timișoara, Romania

Postgraduate Course: *“Forensic Investigation of Sexual Assaults – Particularities in Minor Victims”*, UMFVBT

2013, December 11–12, Timișoara, Romania

Course: *“Ethics and Professionalism in Day Surgery”*, Romanian Society of Ambulatory Surgery

2011, January 13, Oradea, Romania

Continuing Education Course: *“Intervention Protocols in Mass Casualty Incidents”*, European Regional Development Fund, Cross-Border Cooperation Programme Hungary–Romania 2007–2013 (HURO/0801/153), Mobile Forensic Medicine Laboratory for Emergency Situations in the Cross-Border Area

2011, January 13–15, Oradea, Romania

Continuing Education Course: *“Medico-Legal Aspects of Victim Identification in Mass Casualty Incidents and Disasters”*, Bihor College of Physicians, University of Oradea

2010, April 13–14, Timișoara, Romania

PRIME Course for Medical Educators: *Energising the Teacher–Student Relationship*, University of Brighton and Partnership in International Medical Education (PRIME)

2010, September 23–25, Timișoara, Romania

Postgraduate Course: *“Certification of Death. Establishing the Diagnosis of Death. Preparation of the Medical Certificate of Death”*, UMFVBT

2010, October 28–30, Timișoara, Romania

Postgraduate Course: *“Forensic Investigation of Sexual Assaults”*, UMFVBT

2009, November 12–14, Timișoara, Romania

Postgraduate Course: *“Methodological Aspects in Forensic Examination and Expertise”*, UMFVBT

2009, October 15–17, Timișoara, Romania

Postgraduate Course: *“Forensic Expertise in Human Identification”*, UMFVBT

2009, February 18–21, Timișoara, Romania

Postgraduate Course: *“Methodology of Forensic Expertise in Severe Bodily Injury”*, UMFVBT

2009, January 15–17, Timișoara, Romania

Postgraduate Course: *“Particular Aspects in Forensic Examination and Expertise”*, UMFVBT

2007, November 21–24, Timișoara, Romania

Postgraduate Course: *“Methodology of Forensic Expertise of the Consequences of Severe Bodily Injury”*, UMFVBT

2007, May 29, Sibiu, Romania

Postgraduate Course: *“Forensic Toxicology”*, Romanian Society of Legal Medicine

2007, February 21–23, Brașov, Romania

Course: *Working Standards within the Epidemiological Indicator “Deaths Resulting from Drug Use”*, Twinning Project RO-04/IB/JH-08 — Strengthening the Institutional Capacity of Romanian Agencies in Drug Demand Reduction, National Anti-Drug Agency Romania

Professional Specialization Courses

2002, March 16–23, Timișoara, Romania

Multidisciplinary Training Seminar on Sexual Abuse and Child Maltreatment, Piedmont Region, Timiș County Council, General Directorate for Child Rights Protection

2000, July, Timișoara, Romania

Continuing Education Course: “*Early Care of the Newborn*”, UMFVBT

2009, December, Arad, Romania

Training Course: “*Internal Auditor for Quality Management Systems*”, organized in accordance with SR EN ISO 9001:2008 and SR EN ISO 9001:2003 standards; upon completion, awarded the qualification of Internal Auditor, according to Certificate no. CEG-23-09 (11.12.2009), issued by Consexpert Grup SRL

1998, January, Netherlands

Course: “*Romaneth II – Motor Vehicle Accident Insurance*”, Nederlands Bureau der Motorrijtuigverzekeraars, Netherlands

1997, April 10–28, Netherlands

Course: “*Romaneth I – Medical Liability*”, Van Veeren Medisch Adviseurs, Kerckwijk, Netherlands

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

European standards for competitive postdoctoral training programs in advanced research management and medico-legal psychiatric expertise, POSDRU

89/1.5/S/64123, 2009–2012; Project Director: Prof. Dr. Vasile Astărăstoie; contract value: 8,787,232 RON

2016 – 07.10.2025

Vice-President of the Ethics Committee, UMFVBT

07.10.2025 – present

President of the Ethics Committee, UMFVBT

2009 – present

Quality Management Officer (ISO 9001 system), Institute of Forensic Medicine Timișoara

2012 – present

Member of the Medical Review and Control Committee at the Institute of Forensic Medicine Timișoara

MEMBERSHIP IN RESEARCH TEAMS

Assistant Director in:

Improving the quality of teaching activities through the application of deontological rules and ethics within the academic community and in relations with students – acronym CADET-UMFT. Project Director: Prof. Dr. Alexandra Enache.

Local Coordinator Assistant in:

National Registry of Forensic Medicine, Operational Programme: Increase of Economic Competitiveness; Priority Axis: ICT for private and public sectors; Major Area of Intervention: “Development and increased efficiency of electronic public services”; Operation: “Support for the implementation of e-Health applications,” central level; SMIS reference number: 49912; Financing contract: 1968/324central/27.04.2015.

Member of the national research team in:

Optimization of population screening methods regarding drug consumption among drivers: new directions for prevention and control. Project Director: Prof. Dr. Dan Dermengiu; contract no.: 42153 – 2008–2011; contract value: 215,000 RON.

**TEACHING AND
TRAINING ACTIVITIES**

Member of the national research team in:

Analysis of risk factors for female criminality and implementation of coordinated institutional policies for its reduction – CNCSIS Project no. 456/2007, West University of Timișoara, Faculty of Law and Administrative Sciences. Project Director: Prof. Dr. Viorel Pașca.

Member of the national research team in:

Correlations between the external morphology of the liver and the intraparenchymal distribution of angio- and bilio-architecture elements – anatomical bases for resection surgery and liver transplantation. CEEX Project no. 175/2006; Funding: 1,478,800 RON, State Budget; Duration: 26 months (01.09.2006 – 30.10.2008). Project Director: Prof. Petru Matusz.

Member of the national research team in:

Correlations between the intraparenchymal distribution of angio- and bilioarchitecture elements and segmentation of the caudate lobe – anatomical bases for resection surgery and liver transplantation. PC Project no. 2167/2007; Duration: 01.09.2007 – 31.08.2010. Project Director: Prof. Petru Matusz.

Workshop Coordinator: *“Theoretical and Practical Considerations Regarding the Clinical and Forensic Approach to Mechanical Injuries”*, 25th Edition of the International Congress for Medical Students and Young Doctors (MEDIS), Timișoara, April 2–6, 2025, UMFVBT, SSMT.

Workshop Coordinator: *“Vulnerability of Young People”*, SCOME, April 10, 2024, UMFVBT.

Conference Coordinator: *“Equal Opportunities in Medicine”*, TRANSMED, Timișoara, December 5, 2023, UMFVBT.

Bioethics Circle Coordinator: SCORP, SSMT, April 26, 2022, UMFVBT.

Bioethics Circle Coordinator: *“Considerations Regarding the Communication of Bad News in Medical Practice”*, SCORP, SSMT, November 19, 2020, UMFVBT.

Workshop Coordinator: *“Forensic Medicine: Interface between Medicine and Justice”*, International Congress for Medical Students and Young Doctors (MEDIS), Timișoara, March 16–19, 2017, UMFVBT, SSMT.

Conference Coordinator: *“Ethical Values in the Physician–Patient Relationship”*, Bioethics Students Circle, SCORP Department, November 24, 2016, UMFVBT.

Workshop Coordinator: *“Ethical Tools in Communication with the Vulnerable Patient”*, TIMMED Conference 2016, UMFVBT.

Lecture: *“Forensic Expertise in Cases of Suicide by Mechanical Means”*, Department of Forensic Medicine, Bioethics, Deontology, and Medical Law, UMFVBT, May 16, 2013.

Lecture: *“Introductory Notions Regarding the Specific Features of Forensic Practice”*, Department of Forensic Medicine, Bioethics, Deontology, and Medical Law, UMFVBT, November 15, 2012.

**ORGANIZATIONAL
SKILLS AND
COMPETENCIES**

Member/Organizer of conferences and congresses:

- **Balkan Academy of Forensic Sciences**, Constanța, Romania, 2005.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- **Scientific Communications Session of Drăgan European University**, Lugoj, Romania, 17–18.05.2002.
- **Inter-county Forensic Medicine Meeting**, “Processing of regulations regarding forensic medical activity,” Reșița, Romania, 20–22.10.2000.
- **Criminalistics and Forensic Medicine Conference**, “*Juridical and medico-legal criteriological interferences*,” Lugoj, Romania, 11–12.05.2000.

PERSONAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

Mother tongue

Romanian

Foreign languages

English: Advanced proficiency
Italian: Intermediate proficiency

Computer skills

User - Microsoft Word, Excel, MS Outlook, Powerpoint

Driver’s licence

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SOCIAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

Excellent organizational, interpersonal, and communication skills; flexibility; empathy; strong listening abilities; team-oriented.

HOBBIES

Music — jazz and blues;
Collector of Romanian ethnographic artifacts