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CK has been appointed as the Drugs Co-ordinator for Greece in February 2019.

CK is a clinical academic, working as a Consultant in Addiction Psychiatry in England and the same time having a clinical research portfolio exceeding 1 million pounds. He is currently Honorary Senior Lecturer at Imperial College London working with Professors David Nutt and Anne Lingford- Hughes. He is also Honorary Senior Lecturer at St Andrew's University of Scotland, working with Professor Alex Baldacchino.

CK studied medicine in Thessaloniki Greece and continued his psychiatric training in London since 1994. He has an MSc on psychological Medicine (1997) from the University of London and a PhD from King's College London (2009).

He has received several awards in the UK, including the best employee award from his two NHS employers (2011 and 2016) and the prestigious HSJ Award for Clinical Research Impact (2015). He is currently the Chief Investigator for the Structured Preparation for Alcohol Detoxification (SPADe trial) funded by NIHR UK. His most recent publications include the chapter on "Motivational Interviewing and Behavioural Change" for the Textbook of the International Society of Addiction Medicine and the Frontiers in Psychiatry review and position paper on "Pre-habilitation in Alcohol Dependence".