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1. PERSONAL DETAILS

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2. ACADEMIC DEGREES

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| 1996 | PhD , Faculty of Biotechnology and Food Engineering, University Paris XI, France (advisor: Isabelle Bouvier) |
| 1993 | MSc (Summa Cum laude), Faculty of Genetics, University Paris XI, France (Advisor:Gerard Leblon) |

3. ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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| 2011 - Present | Associate Professor, Faculty of Medicine, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, Israel |
| 2007 - 2011 | Assistant Professor, Faculty of Medicine, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, Israel |
| 2000 - 2007 | Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Medicine, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, Israel |
| 1996 - 2000 | Postdoctoral fellow, Biological Chemistry, Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel |

4. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (OUTSIDE ACADEMIA)

5. RESEARCH INTERESTS (BRIEFLY)

- My laboratory has a wealth of expertise in the regulation of *E. histolytica* virulence and its adaptation to environmental stresses.
- We focus on understanding the role of epigenetic mechanisms and the gut microbiota in infection, with the aim of discovering new therapeutic approaches.

6. TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2003 - 2014	Parasitology, Director, Medical school pre-clinical, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2003 - 2016	Microbiology- Parasitology (TEAMS), Lecturer, Medical school pre-clinical, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2003 - present	Bacteriology, Lecturer, Medical school pre-clinical, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2004 - 2011	Molecular Parasitology, Director, MSc and PhD students, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2015 - present	Eukaryotic Pathogens, Director, Medical school pre-clinical, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2017 - 2019	Middle East Biology of Parasitism, Lecturer, MSc and PhD students, University of Bern, Switzerland
2021 - present	Microbiology (TEAMS), Director, Medical school pre-clinical, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa

7. ACTIVITIES

2004 - 2019	Member of the animal ethic committee
2011 - 2015	Head of the animal ethic committee
2015 - 2016	Reviewer for the academic promotion board of the University of California, San Diego, USA
2017 - present	Representative of the Technion on the Israel council for the regulation of research in Infectious diseases
2017 - present	Member of the Technion safety committee
2022 - present	Head of the external safety committee of the Israel council for the regulation of research in Infectious diseases

8. DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES

2003 - 2014	Member of the pre-clinical studies committee, Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
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2005 - 2010	Member of the counseling and monitoring committee , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2015 - present	Member of the safety committee at the Faculty of Medicine , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa

9. PUBLIC PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2002 - present	Reviewer for many scientific journals including Nature communication, PLoS Pathogens, PNAS and Antioxidants , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2005 - present	Member of study section:ISF (2005,2008,2012,2017), Israel Ministry of Health (2007), BSF (2011, 2018 as head of the study section board), ANR(2014), GIF (2017), ERA-NET (2016), Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2015	External expert in the Advisory board meeting of INFECT-ERA , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2016	Editor for Frontiers in Cellular and Infection Microbiology , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2018	Editor for Frontiers in Cellular and Infection Microbiology - special issue on “Recent Progresses in Amebiasis” , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2021	Editor for Antioxidants - special issue on "Oxidative stress in Parasites" , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2022 - present	Editorial board member in Antioxidants , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
2022 - present	Review editor in Frontiers in Molecular Biosciences - RNA Networks and Biology , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa

10. MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

- Israel society for Microbiology
- Israel Society for Parasitology, Protozoology and Tropical Diseases.

11. FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS AND HONORS

1997	Lavoisier Fellowship, Biological Chemistry , Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot
1998	The Sir Charles Clore Postdoctoral Fellowship , Biological Chemistry , Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot

- 1999 American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene Young Investigator Award , Biological Chemistry , Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot
- 2007 Moshe Shilo Prize - Israel Society for Microbiology , Medicine , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
- 2007-2012 Excellent Lecturer , Medicine , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
- 2009 Alfred & Yehuda Weissman Award for excellence in teaching , Medicine , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
- 2010 Listed in the book of the 100 best Israeli immigrant scientists published by the Israel Ministry of Immigrant Absorption , Medicine , Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa
- 2024 Alfred Krupp fellows. Senior fellowship for the summer term 2024 at Greifswald University, Greifswald, Germany.

12. GRADUATE STUDENTS

Completed PhD theses

- 2006 Fisher Ohad ,The Role of DNA Methylation in the Parasite *Entamoeba histolytica* ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2008 Harony Hala (currently an Associate Professor at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, USA (research on autism)). ,DNA Methylation and Targeting of LINE Retrotransposons in *Entamoeba histolytica* and *Entamoeba invadens* ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2009 Lavi Tal ,Characterization of a Novel Methylated DNA Binding Protein in the Protozoan Parasite *Entamoeba histolytica* ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2011 Tovy Ayala (currently a PI at Novartis Research Institute (NIBR), Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA (research on epigenetics and gene therapy)) ,The Function of Ehmeth an *E.histolytica* Dnmt2 homolog, and the Meaning of its Interaction with Enolase ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2012 Katz Sophia ,The *E.histolytica* Methylated LINE Binding Protein(EhMLBP) Serves as a Bridge between Environmental Stress Response and Epigenetic Regulation ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2014 Alterzon Sharon (currently a PI at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, USA (research on diabetes)) ,Identification of Dihydropyrimidine Dehydrogenase as a Virulence Factor Essential for the Survival of *Entamoeba Histolytica* in Glucose-Poor Environment ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2014 Hertz Rivka ,Proteins S-Nitrosylation and Dnmt2 Mediated Resistance to Nitrosative Stress in the Parasite *Entamoeba histolytica* ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2016 Shahi Preeti ,Adaptive Response of the Parasite *Entamoeba Histolytica* to Nitrosative and Oxidative Stresses ,(Ankri Serge)

- 2020 Nagaraja Shruti ,Queuine-Driven Regulation of Entamoeba Histolytica Virulence and Resistance to Oxidative Stress ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2021 Shaulov Dvir Yana ,Study of the Interplay Between the Parasite Entamoeba histolytica and Enteric Bacteria During Oxidative Stress and a Multi-Omics Characterization of the Effect of Auranofin on the Parasite ,(Ankri Serge)

Completed MSc Theses

- 2002 Riahi Yael Ester , Characterization of New Targets for the Interruption of Differentiation and Pathogenesis of Entamoeba Parasites ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2003 Elnekave Keren , Catabolism of L-arginine in Entamoeba histolytica: Involvement in the Growth and in the Virulence of the Parasite ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2005 Abed Mona , Applications of RNAi in the Protozoan Parasite Entamoeba histolytica ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2006 Barnes Sabina , Epigenetic Regulation of Entamoeba Histolytica Heat Shock Protein 100 (EHsp100) Expression ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2008 Isakov Elada , Trichostatin A Regulates Peroxiredoxin Expression and Virulence of the Parasite Entamoeba histolytica ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2011 Kushnir Oded , The Effect of Environmental Changes on the Epigenetic Machinery of Entamoeba histolytica ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2017 Manor Shiran , Adaptation of Entamoeba histolytica to nitrosative stress: insights into the role of arginase in the adaptation process ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2018 Shaulov Dvir Yana , Study of the Protective Effect Against Oxidative Stress that Enteropathogenic Bacteria Escherichia Coli 055 Confers to the Parasite Entamoeba histolytica ,(Ankri Serge)
- 2020 Sarid Lotem , Insights into the Role of Queuine Produced by the Gut Microbiome on E. histolytica's Transcriptome ,(Ankri Serge)

PhD Theses in Progress

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| start 2020 - expected 2023 | Lotem Sarid , Insights into the queuosine salvage machinery in Entamoeba histolytica ,(Ankri Serge) |
| start 2020 - expected 2024 | Jun Ye , Insights into the regulation of Entamoeba histolytica transcriptome by queuine ,(Ankri Serge) |
| start 2021- expected 2025 | Eva Zantidenas , Interaction between Entamoeba histolytica and bacterial biofilms ,(Ankri Serge) |

MSc Theses in Progress

13. SPONSORED LONG-TERM VISITORS AND POST-DOCTORAL

ASSOCIATES

MD thesis students

2016, Michael Kirschenbaum, Alternative strategies for the therapeutic treatment and prophylaxis of Amebiasis.

2017. Ari Gordon, Elucidation of the role of N-acetylornithine deacetylase (NAOD) in the formation of stress granules in the parasite *Entamoeba histolytica*

2018. Shai Vanunu, Development of a model of pig intestinal tissue for the study of amoebic dysentery.

Post-Doc students

2011 Ayala Tovy

2012 Sophie Katz

2015 Ajay Rana

2020 Shruti Nagaraja.

Visiting students

2015. Jessica Borbolla Vázquez, PhD student from the Infectómica y Patogénesis Molecular CINVESTAV, Mexico, Mexico.

14. RESEARCH GRANTS

Competitive

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| 2000 - 2003 | Israeli Science Foundation, Encystation in <i>Entamoeba</i> : Induction, gene expression and regulation, 135000 USD, ANKRI SERGE (PI) |
| 2001 - 2002 | Israel Ministry of Health, Involvement of Ehserp, an <i>E.histolytica</i> serine proteinase inhibitor (serpin), in the evasion of the host defenses, 10000 USD, ANKRI SERGE (PI) |
| 2004 - 2005 | Israel Ministry of Health, Insights into the role of 5-cytosine DNA methyltransferase 2 (DNMT2) by using the human parasite <i>Entamoeba histolytica</i> as a model organism, 20000 USD, ANKRI SERGE (PI) |
| 2004 - 2006 | Center for the Study of Emerging Diseases, Epigenetic regulation of virulence in the protozoan parasite <i>Entamoeba histolytica</i> , 48000 USD, ANKRI SERGE (PI) |
| 2004 - 2007 | Israel Science Foundation, DNA methylation in <i>Entamoeba</i> parasites: characterization of Ehmeth and its role in the control of gene expression, virulence and differentiation, 88000 USD, ANKRI SERGE (PI) |

- 2005 - 2007 Indian-Israeli Research Cooperation in Biotechnology, Nanotechnology, Advanced Materials. Israel Ministry of Science and Technology, A genomic and proteomic analysis of nuclear matrix components to identify their role in regulation of gene expression in the human pathogen *Entamoeba histolytica*, 50000 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI), Anuradha Lohia (CO) (PI)
- 2006 Israel Ministry of Health, Proteomic analysis of *Entamoeba histolytica* parasite following treatment with Trichostatin A, 5000 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI)
- 2007 - 2010 Israel Science Foundation, Decoding the epigenetic language of the protozoan parasite *Entamoeba histolytica*: How DNA methylation is sensed by this organism?, 108500 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI)
- 2008 - 2010 Niedersachsen Program, Characterization of a new methylated DNA binding protein in the parasite *Entamoeba histolytica*, 134100 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI), Ralf Ficner (CO) (PI)
- 2009 - 2011 Israel Ministry of health, Characterization of a novel methylated DNA binding protein in the protozoan parasite *Entamoeba histolytica*, 50000 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI), Frank Lyko (CO), Albert Jeltsch (CO), Gunder Reuter (CO), Mark Helm (CO), Ann Ehrenhofer-Murray (CO), Wolfgang Nellen (grant coordinator). (PI)
- 2009 - 2015 The German Research Foundation Consortium, Biochemistry and Biological function of Dnmt2 methyltransferase, 120000 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI)
- 2010 - 2014 Israel Science Foundation, From DNA methylation to its recognition: Response to some environmental stresses and crosstalk of the *Entamoeba histolytica* unique epigenetic components, 280000 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI)
- 2015 - 2018 INFECT-ERA (ERA-NET), *Entamoeba histolytica*-bacterium interaction and the role of this interaction in intestinal pathogenesis, 80200 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI and grant coordinator), Nancy Guillen (CO), Alok Bhattacharya (CO), Michael Lalk (CO), Jean-Yves Coppee (CO). (PI and grant coordinator)
- 2016 - 2020 Israel Science Foundation, A new perspective on the relationship between *Entamoeba histolytica* and enteropathogenic bacteria: the role of queuine as a nutritional regulator of *Entamoeba histolytica* virulence, 285800 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI)
- 2016 - 2020 U.S.-Israel Binational Science Foundation, tRNA modifications in *Entamoeba histolytica*, 96200 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI), Peter Dedon (CO) (PI)
- 2017 MIT-Israel Seed Fund Award, tRNA modifications in *Entamoeba histolytica*., 24750 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI), Peter Dedon (CO) (PI)
- 2019 - 2022 Israel Science Foundation- National Research Foundation Singapore., Fighting Amebiasis with bacteria: a combined approach with natural probiotics and engineered bacteria, 293600 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI), In Young Whang (CO) (PI)

- 2019 - 2022 Niedersachsen program, Molecular and Structural Characterization of Entamoeba histolytica tRNA-guanine transglycosylase. An integrated study using structural biology and physiology, 166000 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI), Teresa Carlomagno (PI)
- 2021 - 2024 Ministry of Science and Technology, Mechanisms of Entamoeba histolytica adaptation to Auranofin, 191567 USD, **ANKRI SERGE** (PI)

Industrial and other sources

15. PUBLICATIONS

15.1 Theses

Ankri Serge, (1996), "Genetic and Biochemical study of proline biosynthesis in response to hyperosmotic stress in Corynebacterium glutamicum", advisor: Gerard Leblon, University of Orsay, Paris 13, France.

15.2 Refereed papers in professional journals

1-**Ankri , S.**, Reyes, O., and Leblon, G. Electrotransformation of highly DNA-restrictive Corynebacteria with synthetic DNA. Plasmid, 35(1):62-6. 1996.

2-**Ankri , S.**, Reyes, O., and Leblon, G. Improved electro-transformation of highly DNA-restrictive corynebacteria with DNA extracted from starved Escherichia coli. FEMS Microbiology Letters, 140(2-3):247-51. 1996.

3-**Ankri , S.**, Bouvier, I., Reyes, O., Predali, F., and Leblon, G. A Brevibacterium linens pRBL1 replicon functional in Corynebacterium glutamicum. Plasmid, 36(1):36-41. 1996.

4-**Ankri , S.**, Serebrijski, I., Reyes, O., and Leblon, G. Mutations in the Corynebacterium glutamicum proline biosynthetic pathway: a natural bypass of the proA step. Journal of Bacteriology, 178(15):4412-9. 1996.

5-**Ankri , S.**, Padilla-Vaca, F., Stolarsky, T., Koole, L., Katz, U., and Mirelman, D. Antisense inhibition of expression of the light subunit (35 kDa) of the Gal/GalNac lectin complex inhibits Entamoeba histolytica virulence. Molecular Microbiology, 33(2):327-37. 1999.

6-Padilla-Vaca, F., **Ankri , S.**, Bracha, R., Koole, L.A., and Mirelman, D. Down regulation of Entamoeba histolytica virulence by monoxenic cultivation with Escherichia coli O55 is related to a decrease in expression of the light (35-kilodalton) subunit of the Gal/GalNac lectin. Infection and Immunity, 67(5):2096-102. 1999.

7-**Ankri , S.**, Stolarsky, T., Bracha, R., Padilla-Vaca, F., and Mirelman, D. Antisense inhibition of expression of cysteine proteinases affects Entamoeba histolytica-induced formation of liver abscess in hamsters. Infection and Immunity, 67(1):421-2. 1999.

8-**Ankri , S.**, Stolarsky, T., and Mirelman D. Antisense inhibition of expression of cysteine proteinases does not affect Entamoeba histolytica cytopathic or haemolytic activity but inhibits phagocytosis. Molecular Microbiology, 28(4):777-85. 1998.

- 9-**Ankri , S.**, Miron, T., Rabinkov, A., Wilchek, M., and Mirelman, D. Allicin from garlic strongly inhibits cysteine proteinases and cytopathic effects of *Entamoeba histolytica*. *Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy*, 41(10):2286-8. 1997.
- 10-Zhang, Z., Wang, L., Seydel, K.B., Li, E., **Ankri , S.**, Mirelman, D., and Stanley, S.L. *Entamoeba histolytica* cysteine proteinases with interleukin-1 beta converting enzyme (ICE) activity cause intestinal inflammation and tissue damage in amoebiasis. *Molecular Microbiology*, 37(3): 542-8. 2000.
- 11-Katz, U., **Ankri , S.**, Stolarsky, T., Nuchamowitz, Y., and Mirelman, D. *Entamoeba histolytica* expressing a dominant negative N-terminal truncated light subunit of its Gal/GalNac lectin are less virulent. *Molecular Biology of the Cell*, 13(12): 4256-65. 2002.
- 12-Lauwaet, T., Oliveira, M.J., Callewaert, B., De Bruyne, G., Saelens, X., **Ankri , S.**, Vandenabeele, P., Mirelman, D., Mareel, M., Leroy, A. Proteolysis of enteric cell villin by *Entamoeba histolytica* cysteine proteinases. *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, 278(25):22650-6. 2003.
- 13-Siman-Tov, R., and **Ankri , S.** Nitric oxide inhibits cysteine proteinases and alcohol dehydrogenase 2 of *Entamoeba histolytica*. *Parasitology Research*, 89(2): 146-149. 2003.
- 14-Riahi, Y., Siman Tov, R., and **Ankri , S.** Molecular Cloning, expression and Characterization of a serine proteinase inhibitor gene from *Entamoeba histolytica*. *Molecular and Biochemical Parasitology*, 133(2):153-162. 2004.
- 15-Fisher, O., Siman Tov, R., and **Ankri , S.** Characterization of cytosine methylated regions and 5-cytosine DNA methyltransferase (EhMeth) in the protozoan parasite *Entamoeba histolytica*. *Nucleic Acids Research*, 1(32): 287-297. 2004.
- 16-Elnekave, K., Siman Tov, R., and **Ankri , S.** Consumption of L-arginine mediated by *Entamoeba histolytica* L-arginase (EhArg) inhibits amebicidal activity and nitric oxide production by activated macrophages. *Parasite Immunology*, 25(11):597-608. 2004.
- 17-Salzberg A., Fisher, O., Siman Tov, R., and **Ankri , S.** Identification of methylated sequences in genomic DNA of adult *Drosophila melanogaster*. *Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications*, 322(2):465-469. 2004.
- 18-Banerjee, S., Fisher, O., Lohia, A. and **Ankri , S.** *Entamoeba histolytica* DNA methyltransferase (EhMeth) is a nuclear matrix protein that binds EhMRS2, a DNA that includes a scaffold /matrix attachment region (S/MAR). *Molecular and Biochemical Parasitology*, 139:91-97. 2005.
- 19-Abed, M. and **Ankri , S.** Molecular characterization of *Entamoeba histolytica* RNase III and AGO2, two RNA interference hallmark proteins. *Experimental Parasitology*, 3(110):265-269. 2005.
- 20-Bernes S., Siman Tov, R., **Ankri , S.** Epigenetic and classical activation of *Entamoeba histolytica* Heat Shock Protein 100 (EHsp100) expression. *FEBS Letters*, 579:6395-6402. 2005.
- 21-Moncada, D.M., Keller, K., **Ankri , S.**, Mirelman, D., Chadee, K. Antisense Inhibition of *Entamoeba histolytica* Cysteine Proteases Inhibits Colonic Mucus Degradation. *Gastroenterology*, 130(3):721-730. 2006.
- 22-Harony, H., Bernes, S., Siman-Tov, R., **Ankri , S.** DNA methylation and targeting of LINE retrotransposons in *Entamoeba histolytica* and *Entamoeba invadens*. *Molecular and Biochemical Parasitology*, 147(1):55-63. 2006.

- 23-Fisher, O., Siman-Tov, R., **Ankri, S.** Pleiotropic phenotype in *Entamoeba histolytica* overexpressing DNA methyltransferase (EhMeth). *Molecular and Biochemical Parasitology*, 147(1):48-54. 2006.
- 24-Lavi, T., Isakov, E., Harony, H., Fisher, O., Siman-Tov, R., **Ankri, S.** Sensing DNA methylation in the protozoan parasite *Entamoeba histolytica*. *Molecular Microbiology*, 62(5):1373-1386. 2006. (cover page)
- 25-Isakov, E., Siman-Tov, R., Weber, C., Guillen, N., **Ankri, S.** Trichostatin A regulates peroxiredoxin expression and virulence of the parasite *Entamoeba histolytica*. *Journal of Molecular and Biochemical Parasitology*, 158(1):82-94. 2008.
- 26-Lavi, T., Siman-Tov, R., **Ankri, S.** EhMLBP is an essential constituent of the *Entamoeba histolytica* epigenetic machinery and a potential drug target. *Molecular Microbiology*, 69(1):55-66. 2008.
- 27-Lavi, T., Siman-Tov, R., **Ankri, S.** Insights into the mechanism of DNA recognition by the methylated LINE binding protein EhMLBP of *Entamoeba histolytica* *Molecular and Biochemical Parasitology*, 166(2):117-25. 2009.
- 28-Tovy, A., Siman Tov, R., Gaentzsch, R., Helm, M., **Ankri, S.** A new nuclear function of the *Entamoeba histolytica* glycolytic enzyme enolase: The metabolic regulation of cytosine-5 methyltransferase 2 (Dnmt2) activity. *PLoS PATHOGENS*, 6(2):e1000775. 2010. (This article has been recommended by F1000 and classified as Good).
- 29-Tovy, A., Hofmann, B., Helm, M., **Ankri, S.**, In vitro tRNA methylation assay with *Entamoeba histolytica* DNA and tRNA methyltransferase Dnmt2 (EhMeth) enzyme. *Journal of Visualized Experiments, J Vis Exp.* 19,(44). pii: 2390. doi: 10.3791/2390. 2010.
- 30-Schulz, E.C., Tietzel, M., Tovy, A., **Ankri, S.**, Ficner, R. Structure analysis of *Entamoeba histolytica* enolase. *Acta Crystallogr D Biol Crystallogr.* 67, 619-27. 2011.
- 31-Tovy, A., Hertz, R., Siman-Tov, R., Syan, S., Faust, D., Guillen, N., **Ankri, S.** Glucose starvation boosts *Entamoeba histolytica* virulence. *PLoS Negl Trop Dis.*, 5(8):e1247. 2011.
- 32-Schulz, E.C., Roth, H.M., **Ankri, S.**, Ficner, R. Structure analysis of *Entamoeba histolytica* DNMT2 (EhMeth). *PLoS One.*,7(6):e38728. 2012.
- 33-Katz, S., Kushnir, O., Tovy, A., Siman Tov, R., **Ankri, S.** The *Entamoeba histolytica* methylated LINE-binding protein EhMLBP provides protection against heat shock. *Cell Microbiol.* 14(1), 58-70. 2012
- 34-Baumel-Alterzon, S., Weber, C., Guillén, N., **Ankri, S.** Identification of dihydropyrimidine dehydrogenase as a virulence factor essential for the survival of *Entamoeba histolytica* in glucose-poor environments. *Cell Microbiol.* 15(1), 130–144. 2013.
- 35-Katz, S., Trebicz-Geffen, M., **Ankri, S.** Stress granule formation in *Entamoeba histolytica*: cross-talk between EhMLBP, EhRLE3 reverse transcriptase and polyubiquitinated proteins. *Cell Microbiol.*16(8):1211-23. 2014.
- 36-Hertz, R., Tovy, A., Kirschenbaum, M., Geffen, M., Nozaki, T., Adir, N., **Ankri, S.** The *Entamoeba histolytica* Dnmt2 homolog (EhMeth) confers resistance to nitrosative stress. *Eukaryot Cell.* 13(4):494-503. 2014.
- 37-Shanmugam, R., Aklujkar, M., Schäfer, M., Reinhardt, R., Nickel, O., Reuter, G., Lovley, D.R.,

- Ehrenhofer-Murray, A., Nellen, W., **Ankri , S.**, Helm, M., Jurkowski, T.P., Jeltsch, A. The Dnmt2 RNA methyltransferase homolog of *Geobacter sulfurreducens* specifically methylates tRNA-Glu. *Nucleic Acids Res.* 42(10):6487-96. 2014.
- 38-Hertz, R., Ben Lulu, S., Shahi, P., Trebicz-Geffen, M., Benhar, M., **Ankri , S.** Proteomic Identification of S-Nitrosylated Proteins in the Parasite *Entamoeba histolytica* by Resin-Assisted Capture: Insights into the Regulation of the Gal/GalNAc Lectin by Nitric Oxide. *PLoS One.*13,9(3):e91518. 2014.
- 39-Shahi, P., Trebicz-Geffen, M., Nagaraja, S., Alterzon-Baumel, S., Hertz, R., Methling, K., Lalk, M., **Ankri , S.** Proteomic Identification of Oxidized Proteins in *Entamoeba histolytica* by Resin-Assisted Capture: Insights into the Role of Arginase in Resistance to Oxidative Stress. *PLoS Negl Trop Dis.* 10(1):e0004340. 2016.
- 40-Jeltsch, A., Ehrenhofer-Murray, A., Jurkowski, T.P., Lyko, F., Reuter, G., **Ankri , S.**, Nellen, W., Schaefer, M., Helm, M. Mechanism and biological role of Dnmt2 in Nucleic Acid Methylation. *RNA Biol.* 27:1-16. 2016.
- 41-Shahi, P., Trebicz-Geffen, M., Nagaraja, S., Hertz, R., Alterzon-Baumel, S., Methling, K., Lalk, M., Mazumder, M., Samudrala, G., **Ankri , S.** N-acetyl ornithine deacetylase is a moonlighting protein and is involved in the adaptation of *Entamoeba histolytica* to nitrosative stress. *Sci Rep.* 6:36323. 2016.
- 42-Trebicz-Geffen, M., Shahi, P., Nagaraja, S., Vanunu, S., Manor, S., Avrahami, M., **Ankri , S.** Identification of S-Nitrosylated (SNO) Proteins in *Entamoeba histolytica* Adapted to Nitrosative Stress: Insights into the Role of SNO Actin and in vitro Virulence. *Front. Cell. Infect. Microbiol.* 7: 192 2017.
- 43- Varet, H. #, Shaulov, Y. #, Sismeiro, O., Trebicz-Geffen, M., Legendre, R., Coppée, J.Y., **Ankri , S.**# and Guillen, N.#. Enteric bacteria boost defences against oxidative stress in *Entamoeba histolytica*. *Sci Rep.*13,8(1):9042. 2018.
#Co-first author. #Co-corresponding author. (This article has been recommended by F1000 and classified as Very Good).
- 44- Shaulov, Y., Shimokawa, C., Trebicz-Geffen, M., Nagaraja, S., Methling, K., Lalk, M., Weiss-Cerem, L., Lamm, A.T., Hisaeda, H., **Ankri , S.** *Escherichia coli* mediated resistance of *Entamoeba histolytica* to oxidative stress is triggered by oxaloacetate. *PLoS Pathog.*,14(10):e1007295. 2018. (This article has been recommended by F1000 and classified as Very Good).
- 45- Malik, A., Dalal, V., **Ankri , S.**, Tomar, S. Structural insights into *Entamoeba histolytica* arginase and structure-based identification of novel non-amino acid based inhibitors as potential antiamebic molecules. *FEBS J.* 286(20):4135-4155. 2019.
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