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1989 M.D. Degree *cum laude* at the Catholic University of Rome, Italy

1994 Postgraduate degree *cum laude* at the Postgraduate School of Internal Medicine, Catholic University of Rome, Italy

1994-1998: Fellowship at the Medical Oncology Division of Policlinico Universitario "A. Gemelli", Catholic University of Rome, Italy

2002 Postgraduate degree *cum laude* at the Postgraduate School of MedcOncology, University of Rome Tor Vergata, Italy

2003-2010: Senior Medical Oncologist at the Department of Medical Oncology - San Filippo Neri Hospital of Rome

Current position

Since 2010, Researcher associate at the Department of Systems Medicine - School of Medicine, University of Rome Tor Vergata, Italy; Assistant Professor of Medical Oncology, Chair of Medical Oncology - School of Medicine, University of Rome Tor Vergata, Italy

Since 2015, Senior Assistant at the Medical Oncology Division of the "Policlinico Universitario Tor Vergata", Rome.

Research activity

Preclinical

2004-2006: Component of Research Unit "Antitumor immunochemotherapy: antigen remodelling and silencing of Th2 immune response" (Ministero dell'Università e Ricerca Scientifica e Tecnologica, MURST).

2005-2006: Component of Research Unit "Anticancer immunochemotherapy: drug-induced upregulation of CEA expression *in vitro* and interaction between oxaliplatin and 5-fluorouracil", MURST.

2007-present: Component of Research Unit "Combined therapy with antineoplastic and immune agents: preclinical and clinical studies", MURST.

Clinical trials

2001-present: Co-investigator in several translational phase II-III clinical trials, mainly evaluating new drugs and combinations in solid tumors (colorectal, breast, pancreatic cancer)

Translational studies

- 1) Studies on pharmacological modulation of tumor associated antigens *in vitro* and *in vivo*.

- 2) Clinical development of targeted anticancer agents in solid tumors (phase II-III trials), particularly antiangiogenic drugs in combination with standard chemoradiotherapy of locally advanced rectal cancer;
- 3) Studies on a novel method to detect circulating tumour cells based on pharmacological induction of tumor markers.
- 4) Studies on autophagy as prognostic/predictive factor in cancer patients.
- 5) Therapeutic drug monitoring of anticancer drugs exploiting nanotechnologies.

2012-present: Principal investigator in translational trials aimed at defining the potential role of biological markers as predicting factors of endocrine toxicity induced by anticancer cytotoxic and targeted agents.

Teaching activity

2004-present: Professor of Medical Oncology, Postgraduate School of Medical Oncology, of Radiotherapy, of Urology, of Gynecology, and of Emergency Medicine of the University of Rome Tor Vergata.

2010-present: Assistant Professor of Medical Oncology University of Rome Tor Vergata and Professor of Oncology at the Nursery School and at the Podiatrist School, University of Rome Tor Vergata.

2013-present: Professor of Medical Oncology at Catholic University Our Lady of Good Counsel – School of Medicine, Tirana - Albania.

Membership in Scientific Societies

European Society of Medical Oncology

Italian Society of Medical Oncology

BIBLIOMETRIC PARAMETERS:

Author/co-author of 52 full papers in Medline-based journals and of 10 book chapters. H-index: 16. Citation number (WoS): 792; Sum of times cited without self-citations: 759.

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