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Academic activities

- 1977 Degree in Medicine *cum laude*, University of Pavia School of Medicine
- 1977-1980 Lecturer, Histochemistry Centre of the Italian National Research Council
- 1979 G. Zorzoli Prize for Histochemical Studies, University of Pavia
- 1981-1989 Clinical Assistant in Internal Medicine, Policlinico S. Matteo Research Hospital, Pavia
- 1982 Specialist in Internal Medicine, University of Pavia
- 1984 Outside Resident, Rheumatology Centre Lariboisière Hospital, Paris
- 1986 Specialist in Rheumatology, University of Genoa
- 1990-1996 Senior Physician in Internal Medicine and Rheumatology
- 1997-2000 Head of the Rheumatology Unit, Policlinico S. Matteo Research Hospital, Pavia
- 1993-2000 Adjunct Professor of Rheumatology
- 2000-present Full Professor of Rheumatology, University of Pavia
- 2000-present Director, Academic Division of Rheumatology, Policlinico S. Matteo Foundation and University of Pavia
- 2001-present Director of the Academic Postgraduate School of Rheumatology, University of Pavia and University of Brescia
- 2010-present Director of the Doctoral School in Internal Medicine and Therapeutics, University of Pavia

Congress Organisation

- 2004, 2008-2010 President, Annual National Congresses of the Italian Society of Rheumatology
- 2004 President, International Conference on Sex Hormones, Pregnancy and

Rheumatic Diseases

- 2010 Co-President, EULAR Congress in Rome
- 2011 Co-chairman, XIV Mediterranean Congress of Rheumatology

Scientific Boards and International Activities

- 1995-2001 and 2004-2010 Executive Committee, Italian Society of Rheumatology
- 1995-2001 Secretary General, Italian Society of Rheumatology
- 2007-2010 President, Italian Society of Rheumatology
- 2006-2007 and 2011-present Vice-president (executive), Italian Foundation for Arthritis Research (FIRA)
- 2009-2010 Scientific Committee, EULAR
- Editorial Boards: Joint Bone Spine, Clin Exp Rheumatol, Open Rheumatol J, Reumatismo, Curr Rheumatol Rev, JCRMM
- 2001 WHO Collaborating Centre Consensus Meeting on Anti-Cytokine Therapy in Rheumatoid Arthritis
- 2003 European Collaborating Polymyalgia Rheumatica Group (Subcommittee of ESCISIT)
- 2009 Steering Committee, Treat to Target initiative
- 2010 Steering Committee, COMORA initiative

Main fields of investigation

- Biomarkers in Rheumatoid Arthritis, Systemic Sclerosis and Sjogren's Syndrome
- Immunopathology, Chemokines and Lymphocyte Homing in Rheumatoid Arthritis
- Interventional Rheumatology (synovial biopsy, salivary gland biopsy, ultrasound-guided procedures)
- Therapy of Rheumatoid Arthritis and Polymyalgia Rheumatica

References

- More than 260 peer reviewed papers (indexed in PubMed).
- The impact factor for the last 5 years (2006-2010) is 386.