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EDUCATION			
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE		
University of Bari, Italy	M.D.	1989	Medicine
University of Pavia, Italy	Neurology	1994	Specialization
University of Verona, Italy	Master	2002	Statistic Health and Clinical Epidemiology

Positions and Employments

1995	Consultant Neurologist, Policlinico San Donato, S.Donato Mil.se, Milan
1996	Senior Registrar in Neuropathology, The Walton Center for Neurology & Neurosurgery, National Health Service (NHS), Liverpool, United Kingdom
1997-2000-2001	Consultant Neurologist, Hospital Trust, Chiari-Brescia, Italy Honorary Clinical Immunologist, The Walton Center for Neurology & Neurosurgery, National Health Service (NHS)/University of Liverpool, Liverpool, United Kingdom
2001-	Head of the MS/ALS centre and Consultant Neurologist, Chiari-Brescia, Italy

Scientific and societal impact

- 60 papers, as author or co-author, peer reviewed publications
- Recommendations on CFS/ME for the National Agency for Health Regional Service (AGENAS) of the Italian National Institute of Health, Rome (2014)
- Chairman of the history committee for the Federation of European Neuroscience Societies (FENS) (2014-ongoing)
- EURALS project on collecting data on prevalence of patients affected by Motor Neuron Disorders (MND) in Europe (2004-ongoing)
- Acetyl-carnitine treatment in MND, in collaboration with Pharmacology Institute "Mario Negri", Milan, Italy (2010-2011)
- Award of the European Neuroscience history online project by Federation of European Neuroscience Societies (FENS)(2010)
- PNSEUROPROJECT, European grant to realize a network on rare neuro-onco-immunological syndromes (Neurological Paraneoplastic Syndromes – NPS) with involvement of 20 centres in Europe (1999-2009)
- Paraneoplastic Project, Grant by National Minister of Health to create Italian NPS network (2005-2008)

Biosketch

Our group, in collaboration with prof. Enrica Capelli and scientific committee of the charity *Associazione Malati di CFS*, has the most experience on CFS/ME, in Italy. In 2004, we collected samples and established an Association of patients to provide information and advice about the disease. We have held several national and international meetings to spread information on CFS/ME among physicians, patients and relatives. We have produced peer-reviewed publications and are part of the scientific committee for creating recommendations for the National Agency for Health Regional Service (AGENAS) of the National Institute of Health on CFS/ME published in 2014. Our group has demonstrated over the years experience in immunological disorders with a recent interest in the role of the female gender in CFS/ME. During 1999-2009 I received a European grant for para-neoplastic syndromes and a National grant from the Ministry of Health. I am carrying out research on Multiple Sclerosis (SM)/Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) and I am the chief of a Centre on MS/ALS. I have also been involved in studies on Neuro-Oncology and in Neurodegenerative disorder (ALS).