

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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WORK EXPERIENCE

May 2019 – Present

Pathology assistant and University researcher Head of the Clinical Research Laboratory

Fondazione IRCCS – Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori – Milano (INT), Division of Pathology

University of Milan, School of Medicine

- Departmental activities: macroscopic examinations, histological examinations (breast and head & neck cancer), intraoperative diagnosis, molecular pathology
- Research activities
- Teaching activities for students of the School of Medicine and degree courses in Biology and Audiology

August 2016 – April 2019

Pathology assistant

Istituto Europeo di Oncologia, Milano

- Departmental activities: macroscopic examinations, histological examinations (breast, urologic, thoracic, colorectal, gynaecologic, skin and soft tissues pathology), intraoperative diagnosis, molecular pathology
- Research activities
- Tutorial activities for students of the School of Medicine and Surgery

July 2012 – July 2016

Pathology resident

Istituto Europeo di Oncologia, Milano; Fondazione IRCCS – Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori – Milano; Ospedale Luigi Sacco, Milano; Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico, Milano; Ospedale San Paolo, Milano.

- Departmental activities (macroscopic examinations, histological examinations, intraoperative diagnosis, molecular pathology, autopsic procedures)
- Research activities
- Teaching activities for students of the School of Medicine and Surgery

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

July 2012- July 2016

Degree in Pathology, 70/70 cum laude

School of Anatomic Pathology, University of Milan

Thesis discussed: "Prognostic and predictive value of tumor infiltrating lymphocytes in triple negative breast cancer"

October 2011 - February 2012

Habilitation to Physician Practice

2005 – 2011

Degree in Medicine, 110/110 cum laude

University of Milan, School of Medicine

Thesis discussed: "Hystopathologic and molecular assessment of breast cancer sentinel lymph node"

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2000-2005

Liceo scientifico Giordano Bruno, Melzo (MI), High school

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s) Italian

Other language(s)
ENGLISH

UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
C2	C2	C1	C1	C2

Levels: A1/A2: Basic user - B1/B2: Independent user - C1/C2 Proficient user
[Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#)

Communication skills • Good communication skills gained through my experience in team working

Organisational / managerial skills • leadership (currently responsible for a team of 7 people)

Medical and research skills

I am a fully trained pathologist, with peculiar expertise in solid malignancies. I had the chance to work with leading pathologists, including Prof. Viale, Prof. Pruneri (breast pathology), Dott. Carinelli, Dr. Carcangiu (gynaecopathology), Prof. Pelosi and Dr. Barberis (lung pathology), thus reaching full independence and high proficiency in routine diagnostic activities in several pathology fields.

My research activity is focused on the identification of molecular lesions and predictive and prognostic factors, mainly in breast, head and neck and ovarian neoplasms. In particular, I am actively involved in research on the role of inflammatory tumour infiltrate (TILs) in solid neoplasms, and I collaborate with the "International Immuno-Oncology Biomarker working group", led by Roberto Salgado, Sherene Loi and Carsten Denkert, and devoted to the study of the TILs, at first mainly in the mammary field, subsequently in several solid human neoplasms, and to the creation of standards for the evaluation of inflammatory infiltrate.

I am an active member of the Molecular Advisory Board and Steering Committee of the international clinical trial AURORA (Aiming to Understand the Molecular Aberrations in Metastatic Breast Cancer), of the Breast International Group (BIG), led by Prof. Martine Piccart and Dr. Philippe Aftimos. In this context, my role is to evaluate the pathogenicity and possible actionability of somatic and germinal mutations in patients with metastatic breast cancer, subjected to mutational analysis by massive parallel sequencing (panel of 411 genes, ONCODNA S.A.).

I am the head of the Clinical Research Laboratory (CRAB) in INT, a group of biologists and technician devoted to translational research and involved in several institutional research activities, providing assistance to several research group performing histopathological diagnosis, immunohistochemical analysis (on Dako and Ventana platforms) and transcriptomic analysis (Nanostring nCounter), and running independent research activities. In particular, I am involved in a number of research projects, including projects of epigenetic and transcriptomic characterization of breast carcinoma and clinical studies evaluating the role of metabolic interventions in breast cancer treatment. In this contest, my group is performing spatially-resolved transcriptomic analysis by GeoMx Digital Spatial Profiler (Nanostring) and single cell analysis (10x Genomics Chromium), closely cooperating with our institutional Bioinformatic facility.

I am the coordinator of INT Molecular Tumor Board, providing gene variants annotations and targeted therapy recommendations for 400 advanced/metastatic cancer patients per year (NGS testing on Thermofisher Ion S5 and Illumina Nextseq500 platforms).

I also took part in the centralized pathology review of patients' samples in the trial "APHINITY" of the Breast International Group, sponsored by Hoffmann-La Roche/Genentech, under the supervision of the Prof. Viale (histopathology, biological characteristics in immunohistochemistry and FISH). During these years I have therefore acquired clinical-diagnostic skills and confidence with different methods, including immunohistochemistry, immunofluorescence, confocal microscopy, evaluation of tumours in murine models, DNA isolation, next generation sequencing and bioinformatic analysis of results.

My research activity is documented in 100 works on indexed journals, with over 4200 citations and an

H-score of 26 (Scopus). I am co-author of a chapter in the book "Breast Cancer: Innovations in Research and Management" (Veronesi U., Goldhirsch A., Veronesi P., Gentilini O., Leonardi M.C.; Springer International Publishing). I am section editor for "Tumori Journal", and revisor for a number of international scientific journals (The Breast, Breast Cancer Research and Treatment).

Digital and Bioinformatic skills

- Excellent knowledge of the computer in Windows and MacOS environment, and of the main programs (Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Access).
- Basic knowledge of programming languages and statistics programs (R).
- Excellent knowledge of bioinformatics tools, from catalogues of somatic and germinal mutations (COSMIC, cBioPortal, ClinVar, GnomAD, ExAC, dbSNPdatabase, IARC TP53 database, BRCA Exchange), multiple sequence alignment tools (BLAST, ClustalW2, ClustalOmega, Panther, Muscle), in silico functional prediction tools (FATHMM, Sift, PolyPhen, Provean, CADD).

Driving licence B

Presentations Conferences Seminars Memberships

- Speaker at the PMMP (Gruppo Italiano di Patologia Molecolare e Medicina di Precisione) national congress, organized by Prof. Umberto Malapelle and Prof. Fabio Pagni, held in Florence on 11-12/04/2025, with the presentation "Come costruire una sezione di patologia molecolare in anatomia patologica. Regolamenti e norme nell'era MTB"
- Speaker at the congress "EMPOWERing talks: State of the Art and Translational Research in Breast and Ovarian cancer", organized by Dr. Benedetta Pellegrino, held in Parma on 04/04/2025, with the presentation "Translational and Clinical applications of Single Cells Transcriptomic"
- Speaker at the seminar "Thinking Juliet. La paziente al centro dei tumori ginecologici", organized by Prof. Stefano Uccella and Prof. Massimo Piergiuseppe Franchi, held in Verona on 05/04/2024, with the presentation " biomarcatori predittivi di risposta alla terapia nel tumore dell'endometrio"
- Speaker at the congress "Precision Medicine and Genomic Profiling Networking Forum. Putting personalized medicine into the practice!" held in Skopje, Macedonia, on 23/11/2023, with the presentation "Precision Oncology in the Pathology laboratory".
- Speaker at the congress "Oncologia ginecologica su misura. La fine della "taglia unica", held in Milan on 30/11/2023, with the presentation "HRD e BRCA: come implementare l'uso di questi biomarcatori nella pratica clinica".
- Speaker at the congress "Spotlight on Gynaecological Cancer", held in Brescia on 09/06/2023, organized by Prof.ssa Nicoletta Colombo, Prof. Giorgio Valabrega e Dr. Francesco Raspagliesi, with the presentation "CGP, HRD & BRCA: come si integra il dato molecolare nella decisione clinica".
- Speaker at the conference "GI NEXT 2023", held on 27/01/2023, organized by Dr. Filippo Pietrantonio and Dr. Margherita Ratti, with the presentation entitled: "From traditional histology to NGS: the new way of calling GI tumors".
- Speaker at the conference "2nd Milan Cancer Meeting, Innovations in Prevention, Research and Care", held on 23-24/09/2022 in Milan, organized by Prof. Francesco Petrella and Giovanni Corso, with the presentation entitled "Triple negative breast cancer heterogeneity: from pathology to single cell sequencing".
- Speaker at the conference "Digital therapy and home oncology: the future of integrated cancer care between hospital and territory", organized by Prof. Daniele Generali, held on 18/09/2021 electronically, with the presentation entitled: "Health professions in the era of Digital Oncological Therapy: from teleclinic to tele-pathology, through tele-laboratory"
- Speaker at the conference "Current issues of diagnosis and treatment of organs' neoplasms of the thoracic cavity", held on 16-17/09/2021 in Vinnytsia, Ukraine, with the presentation entitled: "The molecular characterization of NSCLC: the pathologist point of view".

- Speaker at the conference "8th ESO-ESMO Arab and Southern European Countries Masterclass in Clinical Oncology", held in Limassol, Cyprus, on 23-27/01/2020, with the presentation entitled "What the clinician needs to know from the breast pathologist".
- Speaker at the conference "Current issues of diagnostics and treatment of oncological diseases of the reproductive sphere", held on 19-20/09/2019 in Vinnytsia, Ukraine, with presentations entitled: "The molecular characterization of NSCLC: the pathologist point of view" e "Intratumor heterogeneity".
- Speaker at the congress: "Update on major salivary gland tumors", held in Alghero on 3-5/10/2019, with the presentation entitled: "Genomic characterization of salivary gland cancer: the role of pathology in personalized treatment".
- Speaker at the congress "ESMO Breast Cancer", held in Berlin on 2-4 May 2019, with the presentation entitled: "Markers of response and resistance to PD-L1 inhibition in solid tumour types - lessons for breast cancer".
- Speaker at the conference "Course of immunotherapy in oncology 2018", organized by the Italian Association of Medical Oncology and the Italian Society of Pathological Anatomy (AIOM-SIAPEC), held in Turin on 5-6/09/2018, with the presentation entitled: "TILs".
- Speaker at the conference "Course of immunotherapy in oncology", organized by the Italian Association of Medical Oncology and the Italian Society of Pathological Anatomy (AIOM-SIAPEC), held in Bari on 8-9/11/2018, with the presentation entitled: "TILs".
- Speaker at the congress "Conquer Breast, advanced course for the management of patients with breast cancer", held in Milan on 14-16 September 2017, with the presentation entitled "Role of the immune system in breast cancer: TILs and immune-checkpoints".
- Speaker at the 2016 SIAPEC congress, held in Genoa (23-26/11/2016), with the presentation entitled "The tumor inflammatory infiltrate in breast cancer"
- Speaker in English at the 2014 SIAPEC congress, in Florence, with the presentation entitled "RANK/RANKL expression by immunohistochemistry in young breast cancer patients at diagnosis and during pregnancy: association with clinicopathologic features, gene expression profiles, tumor infiltrating lymphocytes (TILs) and patient outcome".

01/06/2025



Publications

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