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Professional and Scientific Career:

Research Fellow, Assistant and Associate Professor of Gastroenterology at the Gastroenterology Department of the University Hospitals of Turin, Italy from 1975 to 1997 (Head: Prof. Giorgio Verme): during this period director of the Laboratory of Liver Pathology. Visiting Scientist at the Hepatitis Section of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH, Bethesda Maryland, USA (Head: Prof. R.H. Purcell) and at the Division of Molecular Virology and Immunology of Georgetown University Rockville, MD, USA (Head: Prof. J.L. Gerin) from 1979-1981. From 1997 to 2001 Director of the Gastroenterology and Hepatology Unit at the University Hospital of Pisa, Italy and coordinator of the Functional Area of Medicine. From 2001-2010 Chief Scientific Officer of the Foundation "Ca Granda" National Institute of Translational Research (IRCCS) Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico of Milan, Italy. From 2010 to date Director of General Medicine 2, Liver and Digestive Disease, University Hospital of Pisa, Italy.

Major research interests have been the aetiology and pathogenesis of chronic liver disease and hepatocellular-carcinoma. FB authored as principal, co-investigator or senior investigator 11 manuscripts describing the original discovery and characterization of 3 major hepatitis viruses: hepatitis Delta virus, hepatitis C virus and hepatitis B HBeAg negative virus.

FB authored and co-authored 313 scientific cited papers (Scopus), Citations = 13096, H.Index 50.