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ESPERIENZA PROFESSIONALE

Dal 2017	Professore Ordinario di Endocrinologia (MED13) Università degli Studi di Milano
Dal 2001 al 2017	Professore Associato di Endocrinologia (MED13) Dipartimento di Scienze Farmacologiche e Biomolecolari , Università degli Studi di Milano
DAL 1992 AL 2001	Ricercatore Universitario, Istituto di Endocrinologia e Dipartimento di Endocrinologia, Università degli Studi di Milano
1987	Postdoctoral fellow at the Centre of Neurochimie, Strasbourg, France

ISTRUZIONE E FORMAZIONE

1988	PhD in Scienze Endocrinologiche e Metaboliche Università degli Studi di Milano
1982	Laurea in Chimica e Tecnologia Farmaceutiche, Facoltà di Farmacia Università degli Studi di Milano

COMPETENZE PERSONALI

LIngua madre	Italiano
Altre lingue	Inglese
Competenze Comunicative	Ottime capacità comunicative ottenuta grazie all'esperienza di docente Universitario e di relatore a conferenze Internazionali e Nazionali
Competenze organizzative e gestionali	Leader di un gruppo di ricerca da piu di 20 anni Esperienza nel'organizzazione e nel coordinamento di un gruppo di ricerca e coordinazione di progetti su scala nazionale ed internazionale

ULTERIORI INFORMAZIONI

Pubblicazioni

Autore di 221 pubblicazioni in riviste peer-review
H Index: **57**

Citazioni

Numero totale citazioni: 9005

Conferenze Seminari

Ultimi 7 anni-Invited speakers a:
2016- 29th ECNP Congress, Vienna, Austria
2016- 9th European Congress of Andrology, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.
2016- XII National Congress of Italian Society for Andrology and Sexual Medicine, Roma, Italy.
2017- 11th Annual Meeting Organization for the Study of Sex Differences, Montreal, Quebec
2018- Colegio Colombiano de Neurociencias, Bogotà, Colombia.
2018- The new challenge of biomedicine: The study of gender-specific disease in basic and clinical sciences, Roma, Italy
2019- 21st Congress of the European Society for Sexual Medicine, Ljubljana, Slovenia
2020- Breaking the Frontiers of Endocrine Body-Brain Signaling, Mdrid, Spain
2022- 60 anos Dept de Fisiologia, Biofisica y Neurociencias-Mexico City
2022- Androgen Society Annual Meeting 2022- Orlando-Florida, USA

Progetti/Grants

Responsabile e coordinatore di progetti finanziatida Agenzie Italiane (Ministero dell'Università e Ricerca, Ministero della Salute), Fondazioni (CARIPLO, Telethon, FISM, Post-Finasteride Syndrome Foundation), Comunità Europea (RTD program).

Organizzazione di Congressi

1998- POC “IV International Congress of Neuroendocrinology” Kitakyushu, Japan.
2000- Organizzatore della tavola rotonda “Hormones, Glia and Myelin in Central and Peripheral Nervous System” -IV European meeting on glial cell function in health and disease, Barcelona, Spain.
2000- Organizzatore del Simposio “Growth factor-gonadal steroid interactions in hypothalamic function” -Forum of European Neuroscience 2000, Brighton, UK.
2004- POC “4th Forum of European Neuroscience” Lisbon, Portugal.
2006- POC “12th International Congress on Hormonal Steroids and Hormones & Cancer” Athens, Greece.
2007 Organizzatore del 1° Meeting del Gruppo Italiano di Scienze Neuroendocrine (GISNe), Torino, Italia.
2009- Organizatore del Congresso Nazionale della Società Italiana di Neuroscienze, Milano, Italia
2010 Organizzatore del 4° Meeting GISNe, Torino, Italia.
2010- Organizzatore del National Meeting of PhD students in Neuroscience, Busto Arsizio, Italy.
2011- Organizzatore del 5° Meeting GISNe, Torino, Italia.
2013- POC "XI European Meeting on Glial Cells in Health and Disease" Berlin, Germany
2014- LOC "Federation of European Neurosciences" 2014, Milano, Italia.

2000-2002-2004-2006-2008-2010-2012 International Symposium on Neurobiology and Neuroendocrinology of Aging” Bregenz, Austria.

2001-2003-2005-2007-2009-2011-2013-2015-2017-2019-2022 Organizer of International Meeting “Steroids and Nervous System” Torino, Italy.

Altre Attività

2001-2007 Rappresentante Europeo nel Direttivo dell' International Neuroendocrine Federation
2005-2009 Membro del Direttivo della Società Italiana di Neuroscienze (SINS)
2005-2009 Membro della Commissione Scientifica della Società Italiana di Endocrinologia (SIE)
2006-on Membro del Direttivo GISNe
2006-on Membro del Direttivo del Centro di Eccellenza per Malattie Neurodegenerative (CEND
2010-2011 Membro della Commissione di aggiornamento scientifico della SIE **2011-2013** Member of Scientific Commission of SIE
2011-2013 Membro della Commissione Regionale (Lombardia) della SIE
2013-2017 Membro del Direttivo della SIE
Attività Editoriale-Guest Editor:
Brain Res. Rev. 37:1-384, 2001/Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences volume 1007, anno 2003/ Neuroscience 138:733-1048, 2006/ J. Mol. Neurosci, 28:1-102, 2006/ Neurochem. Int. 52:503-904, 2008/ Brain Res. Rev. 57: 271-605, 2008/ Psychoneuroendocrinology 34, supplement 1, December 2009 ISSN 0306-4530/ Neuroscience 191: 2011/ Neuroendocrinology, 24: 1-248, 2012/ J. Neuroendocrinol., 25: 957-1237, 2013/ Prog.Neurobiol. 113: 1-136, 2014/ J. Steroid Biochem. Mol. Biol., 160: 1-226, 2016/ Neurosci. Biobehav. Rev. 67: 1-146, 2016/J. Neuroendocrinol, 30, 2019/ Frontiers in Neuroendocrinology,48:1-78, 2019

Memberships

Società Italiana di Endocrinologia (SIE)
Società Italiana di Neuroscienze (SINS)

ALLEGATI

Lista delle pubblicazioni Scientifiche

Dati Personali

Autorizzo il trattamento dei miei dati personali ai sensi del Decreto Legislativo 30 giugno 2003, n. 196 (Codice in materia di protezione dei dati personali) e sue successive modifiche e integrazioni, nonché del Regolamento UE 679/2016 (Regolamento Generale sulla Protezione dei dati o, più brevemente, RGPD).

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Celotti F., Apud J.A., Melcangi R.C., Masotto C., Tappaz M., Racagni G. Endocrine modulation of GABA-ergic innervation in the rat fallopian tube. Endocrinology 118:334-339,1986.

Celotti F., Melcangi R.C., Negri-Cesi P., Ballabio M. and Martini. A comparative study of the metabolism of testosterone in the neuroendocrine structures of several animal species. Neuroendocrinology lett. 8:227-235,1986.

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Negri-Cesi P., Celotti F., Melcangi R.C., Zanisi M. and Motta M. Tamoxifen does not block the inhibitory effect of testosterone on FSH release in rat. Acta Endocrinol. 114:84-89,1987.

Celotti F., Melcangi R.C., Negri-Cesi P., Ballabio M. and Martini L. Differential distribution of the 5α-reductase in the central nervous system of the rat and the mouse: are the white matter structures of the brain target tissue for testosterone action? J. Steroid. Biochem. 26:125-129,1987.

Negri-Cesi P., Celotti F., Melcangi R.C. and Martini L. Androgen metabolism in the male hamster.1. Metabolism of testosterone in the pituitary gland and in the brain of animals exposed to different photoperiods. J. Steroid Biochem. 28:179-184,1987.

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