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Curriculum Vitae

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Working experience

Dates	Jul 2021 – up today
Occupation or position held	MD Haematologist
Main activities and responsibilities	Outpatient Clinics in Lymphoma Unit
Name and address of employer	Lymphoma Unit Prof.Dr med E. Zucca, Department of Oncology, Prof. Gillessen, Oncology Institute of Southern Switzerland, Bellinzona (Switzerland)
Dates	Feb 2020 – Jun 2021
Occupation or position held	MD Haematologist
Main activities and responsibilities	Outpatient Clinics in haematology
Name and address of employer	Department of Haematology, Prof. Dr. med. Georg Stüssi, Oncology Institute of Southern Switzerland, Bellinzona (Switzerland)
Dates	Apr 2019 – Jan 2020
Occupation or position held	Resident
Main activities and responsibilities	Outpatient and Inpatient Clinics, Management of Lymphoproliferative Disorders and Chronic Myeloid Leukemia; co-investigator in phase II-III clinical trials in patients with CML
Name and address of employer	Department of Haematology, Prof. Dr med GA Palumbo, Policlinico G. Rodolico, University of Catania (Italy)
Dates	Jan 2018 – Mar 2019
Occupation or position held	Clinical Fellow
Main activities and responsibilities	Outpatients lymphoma clinics and co-investigator in phase I-III clinical trials in patients with lymphoma
Name and address of employer	Lymphoma Unit and New Drugs Prof.Dr med E. Zucca, PD. Dr med A. Stathis. Oncology Institute of Southern Switzerland, Bellinzona (Switzerland)
Dates	Jan 2015 - Dec 2017
Occupation or position held	Resident
Main activities and responsibilities	Outpatient and Inpatient Clinics, Management of Lymphoproliferative Disorders, acute leukemia, bone marrow transplantation.
Name and address of employer	Department of Haematology, Prof. Dr med F. Di Raimondo, Policlinico G. Rodolico, University of Catania (Italy)

Dates Mar 2013- Jul 2014
Occupation or position held Postgraduate Internship
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Education and training

Dates Sep 2021-up today
Title of qualification awarded PhD student
Name and Type of organization USI-Università della Svizzera Italiana (Lugano)- Prof. Dr med D. Rossi
providing education and training IOR Institute of Oncology Research (Switzerland)-

Dates 11 Jan, 2020
Title of qualification awarded Specialty Degree in hematology – Graduated with honours - 70/70 cum Laude,
Name and Type of organization University of Catania, Faculty of Medicine and Surgery (Italy)- Prof. Dr med F. Di Raimondo,
providing education and training Policlinico G. Rodolico, University of Catania (Italy)

Dates 14 Mar, 2013
Title of qualification awarded Medical Doctor Degree – Graduated with honours - 110 /110 cum Laude, Thesis Title:
Name and Type of organization “Identificazione delle mutazioni del gene BCOR nelle leucemie acute mieloidi e studio delle sue
providing education and training funzioni in modelli in vitro”, Prof Dr med MP Martelli
University of Perugia, Faculty of Medicine and Surgery (Italy)

Dates 2005
Title of qualification awarded Diploma Maturità Scientifica – Grade 100/100
Name and type of organization “1° Istituto di Istruzione Superiore Archimede”; Liceo Scientifico, Secondary School, Rosolini (Italy)
providing education and training

Languages Italian native, English

Licensure College of Physicians Siracusa, since 2013
Swiss Recognition of medical degree (MEBEKO), in 2019
FMH in Hematology, 2020

Award(s) and recognition(s) December 2020: “Bando giovani ricercatori”, AFRI
December 2014: “Premio Fondazione Severi”, MD graduation award

Certificates GCP certificates 2018, Introduction to Research Ethics; Research Ethics Evaluation; Informed Consent; Good Clinical Practice (GCP-E6(R2) 2016)
Certificate of competence in lymphoma (CCL4), European School of Oncology and University of Ulm , February 2019 -November 2020
CTU-Biostatistics course, November 30th and December 10th, 2020

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