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### Specialty Certification

1987                      Diplomate-Cardiology : University of Milan-Italy  
1991                      Ph.D. Respiratory Diseases: University of Milan-Italy  
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### University appointments

JUNE 1991-MAY 1992      Ricercatore universitario (Assistant Professor)  
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   Cardiothoracic Department, University of Milan-Italy  
JANUARY 2012                Professore Ordinario (full Professor) Respiratory Medicine,  
   Department Pathophysiology and Transplantation, University of  
   Milan-Italy

-Member of Board of Directors University of Milan 2016-2024  
-Head Department Pathophysiology and Transplantation, University of Milan, Italy 2015-2016  
-Director of the School of Specialty in Respiratory Diseases University of Milan Italy 2005-2009  
and 2013-14

### Hospital appointments

-Head of Cardio-thoracic Unit, Dept of Transplantation Units, Fondazione Ospedale Maggiore  
Policlinico Ca' Granda, Milan Italy 2015-2017  
-Head Internal Medicine Department, Respiratory Medicine and Adult Cystic fibrosis referral  
Center 2017-

### Honors

- President European Respiratory Society 2012-13  
-Head of Respiratory Infection Assembly, European Respiratory Society (member of the Executive  
Committee) 2005-2008  
-Member of the ERS task force on Guidelines for LRTIs management 2003-2010  
- Member of the ERS task force on Electronic Cigarettes 2015-2018  
-Member of the ERS task force on Guidelines for European Respiratory Society guidelines for the  
management of adult bronchiectasis. 2016-2017  
-Member of the Executive Committee of the Italian Respiratory Society (SIMeR) 2000-2010

- President of the Italian Respiratory Society (SIP/IRS) 2015-17
- President of the Italian Respiratory Society Research Center (SIP/IRS) 2017-18

Founder and Member of Steering Committee of European Bronchiectasis Registry (EMBARC)  
Founder and Member of Executive Committee of the Italian Bronchiectasis Registry (IRIDE)  
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#### Editorial Boards

1. -Pulmonary Pharmacology and Therapeutics (Associate Editor)
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#### **Main Publications:**

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- 3.F.Biasi, D.Sommariva, R.Cosentini, B.Cavaiani, A.Fasoli. "Bezafibrate inhibits HMGCoA reductase activity in incubated blood mononuclear cells from normal subjects and patients with heterozygous familial hypercholesterolemia". *Pharm.Res.* vol.21, n.3, 247-254, May-June 1989.
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6. R.Cosentini, F.Biasi, D.Sommariva, C.Tosi, A.Fasoli. "Effects of bezafibrate on biosynthesis of cholesterol and on degradation of native and acetylated LDL in incubated human monocytes" *Drugs Exptl Clin Res* XVIII,6,245-250,1992
7. F.Biasi, D. Legnani, VM. Lombardo, GG. Negretto, E. Magliano, R. Pozzoli, F. Chiodo, A. Fasoli, L. Allegra. "*Chlamydia pneumoniae* infection in acute exacerbations of COPD" *Eur Respir J*, 1993,6,19-22.
8. F. Biasi, R. Cosentini, D. Legnani, F.Denti, L. Allegra. "Incidence of Community-acquired pneumonia caused by *Chlamydia pneumoniae* in Italian patients" *Eur J Clin Microbiol Infect Dis* 1993,9(12):696-99
9. F. Biasi, R. Cosentini, M. Clerici Shoeller, A. Lupo, L. Allegra. "*Chlamydia pneumoniae* seroprevalence in immunocompetent and immunocompromised populations in Milan" *Thorax* 1993,48:1261-1263
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and basic science perspectives. WD Lyman and A. Rubinstein eds. Annals of New York Academy of Sciences, 1993;693:286-288.

11. PC Braga, G. Piatti, M. Dal Sasso, S. Maci, F. Blasi. "Thymomodulin stimulates phagocytosis in vitro by rat macrophages and human polymorphonuclear cells" J Chemother 1993;5,313-316

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13. PC Braga, G. Piatti, M. Dal Sasso, S. Maci, F. Blasi. "The in vitro effects of Ceftibuten on the host defense mechanism" Chemotherapy, 1994;40:37-41

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15. R. Ronchetti, F. Blasi, E. Grossi, A. Pecori et al. "The role of azithromycin in treating children with community-acquired pneumonia" Current Therapeutic Research 1994;55 (8):965-970.

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This study addressed the possible role of C.pneumoniae infection in the pathogenesis of multiple sclerosis  
Role: Co investigator

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Atypicals involvement in upper respiratory tract infection in children  
This was the first study on a large sample of children showing the importance of the role of these pathogens in upper RTIs  
Role: Co-investigator

-Ospedale Maggiore Milano GRANT 260-01-2002 University of Milan Grant FIRST 2002  
02/2003-11/2003  
Proteomic analysis of exhaled breath condensate from healthy smokers  
The study showed the presence of Keratin in exhaled breath condensate of smokers, a possible marker of metaplasia  
Role: PI

-Istituto Superiore di Sanità Roma and Ospedale Maggiore Milano GRANT 260-01-2003  
08/2004-12/2004  
New assays for the diagnosis of SARS  
Two new serologic assays were published  
Role: Coinvestigator

-Pfizer unrestricted grant and Ospedale Maggiore 260-02-2003 01/2003-02/2004  
Role of atypical pathogens in recurrent respiratory infections in children  
Randomized prospective study on the role of azithromycin in preventing recurrences of RTIs  
Role : Co-investigator

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Azithromycin in the prophylaxis of respiratory recurrences in patients with tracheostoma  
Role: PI

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Role: PI

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Role: PI

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Project acronym: GRACE

Project full title: Genomics to combat Resistance against Antibiotics in Community-acquired LRTI in Europe

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Role: Co-chair WP12 Educational workpackage and Co-investigator WP 8,9,10  
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-Fondazione Cà Granda IRCCS Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico 2010-2012 Project 260-325-140  
Management of Lung Transplantation: from animal model to human lung regeneration

Role: Coordinator

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infezione and cardiovascolare events

Role: Coordinator

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Resistance in Europe

Role: Participant

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Project Full name: Inhaled Antibiotics in Bronchiectasis and Cystic Fibrosis. Contract 115721

Role: WP leader

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polmone" Progetto ARS01\_00530 (Salute)

Role: Project Leader-Principal Investigator

-Fondazione CARIPLO 2017 Bando "Ricerca Biomedica sulle malattie legate all'invecchiamento"  
**Molecular targeting of COPD and Bronchiectasis during aging with a PI3K-derived peptide**

Role: Project Leader-Principal Investigator

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