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Curriculum Vitae

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Riepilogo

Da 1 novembre 2017 Professore Associato di Malattie Apparato respiratorio presso Università degli Studi di Trieste. Direttore della Scuola di Specializzazione in Malattie dell'Apparato respiratorio dell'università degli studi di Trieste.

Da settembre 2000 ad oggi è Direttore della Struttura Complessa Pneumologia triestina (ora dell'Azienda Sanitaria Universitaria Giuliano-Isontina (ASUGI) che comprende: 17 posti-letto di degenza Pneumologica, di cui 8 di UTIR, Day-Hospital, Pneumologia Interventistica, Attività ambulatoriale e territoriale, Riabilitazione pneumologica, Fisiopatologia respiratoria. La S.C. Pneumologia di ASUGI ricovera circa 1200 pazienti/anno tra degenza ordinaria e DH, effettua circa 1500 prestazioni di pneumologia interventistica/anno ed eroga all'anno circa 46000 prestazioni specialistiche pneumologiche per esterni.

Attrazione su non residenti 30%. Il Centro diretto dal Dr. Confalonieri fa parte della rete europea delle malattie rare polmonari ERN-LUNG ed è Centro coordinatore della rete regionale FVG per le malattie rare polmonari. Insegna Malattie dell'Apparato Respiratorio come Professore Associato dall'1/11/2017 e precedentemente a contratto nei Corsi di Laurea in Medicina e Chirurgia e in Fisioterapia dell'Università di Trieste, e nei Corsi di Specializzazione in Medicina Interna, Radiodiagnostica, Malattie dell'Apparato Cardiovascolare, Medicina dello Sport e dell'esercizio fisico, Medicina d'Emergenza-Urgenza, Geriatria, Nefrologia, Medicina del Lavoro, Dermatologia e Venerologia dell'Università degli Studi di Trieste, oltre che della Scuola di Specializzazione in Malattie dell'Apparato respiratorio dell'Università degli Studi di Modena e della Scuola di Spec. in Chirurgia Toracica dell'Università degli Studi di Padova. Il Dr.

Confalonieri ha ottenuto l'abilitazione scientifica nazionale per il settore concorsuale 6/D1 nel Bando 2012 (DD n.222/2012). E' stato visiting professor nel 2015 al Temple Lung Center di Philadelphia (TLC) diretto dal Prof. G.J. Criner. Coordina un progetto di ricerca su terapia con miRNA nella fibrosi polmonare idiopatica finanziato da Fondazione CRTrieste in collaborazione con TLC di Philadelphia e ICGEB (International Center for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology). E' stato coordinatore di trial clinici internazionali pionieristici sulla ventilazione non invasiva e sui cortisonici nelle polmoniti acquisite in comunità, entrambi pubblicati sulla maggiore rivista respiratoria internazionale (Am J Respir Crit Care Med rispettivamente 1999 e 2005). E' stato responsabile per conto dell'AIPO (Associazione Italiana Pneumologi Ospedalieri) dell'Area Scientifica Terapia Intensiva e Riabilitazione e del Gruppo di Studio Terapia Intensiva Respiratoria svolgendo in tale ruolo da coordinatore di Studi nazionali su ventilazione non invasiva e UTIR pubblicati su riviste internazionali (rispettivamente European Respiratory Journal e Thorax).

Ha partecipato a più di 300 Corsi, Congressi e Seminari in qualità di relatore ed è coordinatore-organizzatore dell'evento scientifico annuale di aggiornamento medico scientifico "PneumoTrieste". Ha pubblicato (per lo più come primo, secondo o ultimo nome) 237 articoli scientifici su riviste indicizzate, tra cui le maggiori del settore respiratorio, ottenendo un elevato numero di citazioni (11335) con H-index 53 (Fonte Scopus consultato il 16/12/2025). Fa parte dell'Editorial Board di Scientific Reports, di Respiratory Medicine, di Respiratory Research, di Monaldi Archives for Chest Disease, di Rassegna dell'Apparato Respiratorio, di Current Respiratory Medicine, Frontiers in Medicine, è stato Editor-in-Chief di Shortness of Breath. E' referee per le maggiori riviste internazionali del settore respiratorio e medicina interna: The Lancet, JAMA, American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine, European Respiratory Journal, Thorax, Chest, Respiratory Medicine, Annals of Internal Medicine, Scientific Reports, Gene, Respiration, Respiratory Care, Intensive Care Medicine, Critical Care, Lung, American Journal Cell Respiratory Molecular Biology, Cochrane Reviews, Clinical Drug Investigations, etc.

E' stato membro eletto del Comitato Esecutivo dell'Associazione Italiana Pneumologi Ospedalieri (AIPO) ed è membro attivo di American Thoracic Society, European Respiratory Society, Fellow dell'American College of Chest Physicians e socio dell'American Association for the Advancement of Science. Per conto dell'European Respiratory Society ha fatto parte delle Task Force su Noninvasive ventilation, Tuberculosis,

Respiratory High dependency Care Unit che hanno portato a rispetti documenti pubblicati sull'European Respiratory Journal. E' stato membro di gruppi scientifici intersocietari nazionali su Fibrosi Polmonare idiopatica, e deficit di alfa1-antitripsina. E' stato temporary advisor dell'OMS per un progetto di controllo della tubercolosi in Romania.

Istruzione e Formazione

Attività di insegnamento e qualifiche

- Professore Associato MED/10 presso Università degli Studi di Trieste, insegna presso Corso di laurea magistrale in Medicina e Chirurgia, oltre che in numerose Scuole di Specializzazione.
- Idoneità scientifica nazionale 6/D1 (MED10) I fascia
- Prof. a contratto Malattie Apparato Respiratorio (MED/10) da 2002 a 2018
- Professore a contratto Scuola di Specializzazione Malattie Apparato Respiratorio c/o Università degli Studi di Modena dal 2000 al 2018
- Prof. a contratto Malattie Apparato Respiratorio (MED/10) Scuola di Spec. in Chirurgia Toracica - Università di Padova
- Prof. Malattie Apparato Respiratorio (MED/10) Scuole di Specializzazione Università di Trieste: Geriatria, Radiodiagnostica, Medicina Interna, Malattie dell'Apparato Cardiovascolare, Medicina del Lavoro, Dermatologia e Venerologia, Medicina d'Emergenza-Urgenza, Nefrologia
- docente di Microbiologia e di Malattie Apparato Respiratorio presso la Scuola Infermieri Professionali di Crema
- Relatore a più di 400 Meeting/Corsi nazionali e internazionali
- Visiting Professor a Temple Lung Center (Direttore G.J.Criner)
- Coordinatore Master Universitario I° livello in "Fisioterapia e Riabilitazione Respiratoria" - Università di Trieste
- Direttore Master II° livello Università degli Studi di Trieste in "Disturbi Respiratori nel Sonno"

Formazione

Specializzazione in Malattie dell'Apparato Respiratorio A.A. 1991/1992 c/o Università degli Studi di Milano

Specializzazione in Diabetologia e Malattie del Ricambio A.A. 1991/1992 c/o Università degli Studi di Parma

Laurea in Medicina e Chirurgia A.A. 1984/1985 c/o Università degli Studi di Milano

Esperienze Lavorative

- Direttore Struttura Complessa Pneumologia Azienda Sanitaria Universitaria Giuliano Isontina (prima ASUGI, ASUITS, Azienda Ospedali Riuniti di Trieste) dal 25/9/2000 ad oggi
- Dirigente medico I livello (modulo B) U.O. Pneumologia Azienda Ospedaliera "Ospedali Riuniti di Bergamo"
- Aiuto ospedaliero U.O. Pneumologia - Ospedale di Piacenza Azienda Sanitaria Locale N.2 di Piacenza
- Assistente medico ospedaliero di Pneumologia Azienda Ospedaliera "Ospedale Maggiore di Crema"
- Assistente medico ospedaliero di Medicina Interna Azienda Sanitaria Locale di Crema
- Assistente medico ospedaliero di Medicina Interna Azienda Sanitaria Locale di Fiorenzuola d'Arda

Altre Esperienze Lavorative

- Temporary Advisor per W.H.O. per programma nazionale di controllo della tubercolosi in Romania
- Membro della Commissione tecnica ospedaliera dell'Azienda Ospedaliera-Universitaria "Ospedali Riuniti di Trieste" per il progetto di ristrutturazione con nuovo IRCCS Burlo-Garofolo a Cattinara

(Cittadella della Salute)

- Componente Collegio di Direzione Azienda Sanitaria Universitaria Integrata di Trieste (prima Azienda Ospedaliero-Universitaria "Ospedali Riuniti di Trieste")

Principali temi di ricerca

- Ventilazione non invasiva nella insufficienza respiratoria acuta e cronica riacutizzata
- Epidemiologia e attività delle Unità di Terapia Intensiva Respiratoria (UTIR) in Italia e in Europa
- Trattamento con cortisonici delle polmoniti gravi comunitarie, sepsi e ARDS
- Studio dell'espettorato indotto per la valutazione della flogosi bronchiale in asma, BPCO, valori normalità
- Pneumopatie infiltrative diffuse, malattie rare polmonari e Ipertensione polmonare
- Rigenerazione polmonare con particolare riguardo all'ARDS e al ruolo delle citocheratine
- Ruolo dei microRNA nella Terapia della Fibrosi polmonare
- Uso della luce al Sincrotrone per studi toracopolmonari
- Telemedicina
- Intelligenza artificiale applicata alla medicina respiratoria
- Trattamento delle forme severe di COVID-19
- studio con risonanza magnetica nucleare a basso campo (LF-NMR) di espettorato

Studi clinici, progetti di ricerca, registri

- Reponsabile progetto di ricerca su Telemedicina per ridurre i ri-ricoveri da BPCO riacutizzata
- Responsabile progetto di ricerca in "Applicazione intelligenza artificiale per casi di polmonite severa"
- Responsabile e coordinatore Progetto di Ricerca "Terapia con microRNA della fibrosi polmonare idiopatica" che vede la partecipazione di ICGEB e Temple Lung Center ed è finanziato da Fondazione CRTrieste
- Coordinatore Trial clinico randomizzato internazionale su NIV in severe CAP (Italia – USA, Memphis, TN)
- Coordinatore Trial Clinico randomizzato internazionale su Hydrocortisone in severe CAP (Italia – USA, Memphis, TN)
- Coordinatore 1° Censimento UTIR in Italia
- Coordinatore Studio su Carta del rischio per fallimento NIV in BPCO riacutizzata (Italian NIV group)
- Membro dell'Advisory Board e P.I. dello Studio clinico randomizzato BENEFIT (bosentan for CPETH)
- Membro del Comitato scientifico del Progetto RAPIDO (DRG in Pneumologia)
- P.I. del RCT HERMES su Roflumilast in COPD
- P.I. del RCT MUSIC su Macicentan in IPF
- P.I. del RCT CAPACITY su Pirfenidone in IPF
- P.I. del RCT ooBUD-02 su dispositivo per asma bronchiale
- P.I. Trial 205.251 su fluticasone-salmeterolo nella BPCO
- P.I. BY217/M2-112RATIO: tiotropio nella BPCO
- P.I. trial 205.247 tiotropio con riabilitazione nella BPCO
- P.I. Trial "INPULSIS" su Nintedanib in IPF
- P.I. RCT su sildenafil in pazienti BPCO e PH
- P.I. RCT PATENT-1 riociguat per ipertensione polmonare

- P.I. "The Italian multicentre study on noninvasive ventilation in COPD patients"
- Membro Gruppo IDA e Registro Italiano

Affiliazioni Società Scientifiche e ruoli

- American Thoracic Society
- European Respiratory Society
- Task Force "Epidemiology of respiratory intermediate care units in Europe"
- Membro Task Force "Noninvasive ventilation"
- Membro Task Force "Management of tuberculosis in Europe"
- American College of Chest Physicians Fellowship
- Associazione Italiana Pneumologi Ospedalieri (AIPO) Membro eletto Comitato Esecutivo Consigliere Nazionale, Coordinatore Area Scientifica Terapia Intensiva e Riabilitazione, Responsabile Gruppo di Studio Terapia Intensiva Respiratoria, Presidente AIPO regione FVG

Attività editoriale

- Membro Editorial Board "Respiratory Research"
- Membro Editorial Board "Respiratory Medicine"
- Membro Editorial Board "Scientific Reports"
- Membro Editorial Board "Frontiers in Medicine"
- Editor-in-Chief "Shortness of Breath"
- Editorial Board "Current Respiratory Medicine Review"
- Editorial Board "Monaldi Archives for Chest Diseases"
- Membro Comitato Editoriale "Rassegna di Patologia dell'Apparato Respiratorio"
- Referee delle seguenti riviste internazionali: The Lancet, JAMA, American Journal of respiratory and critical care medicine, Thorax, Chest, European Respiratory Journal, European Respiratory review, Respiratory medicine, Respiratory care, Respiration, Intensive Care Medicine, Critical Care, Monaldi Archives for Chest Diseases, Respiratory research, American Journal of Respiratory Cell and Molecular Biology, Cochrane reviews, Lung, etc.

Capitoli di libri

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