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- **Actual Positions:** Confirmed Researcher at the Department of Sciences and Technologies, Scientific Sector: BIO-11, University of Sannio, Via Port'Arsa, 11, 82100 Benevento, Italy;
- Staff Researcher at Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Faculty of Pharmacy, University Complutense, Madrid, Spain.
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ACADEMIC EDUCATION

- 1995-2000: B.Sc. in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at the (University of Sannio, and University of Naples, Naples, Federico II, Italy)
- 2001-2013: Post graduate Training at CNR, Institute of food science, Avellino, Italy and Clinical pathology laboratory, Fatebenefratelli Hospital, Benevento, Italy
- 2004-2009: PhD in Life Sciences, (University of Sannio, Benevento, Italy)
- 2010-2013: Researcher of Molecular Biology (University of Sannio, Benevento, Italy)
- 2015-2017: Staff Scientist at the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Faculty of Medicine, Complutense University, Madrid, Spain
- 2013-today: Confirmed Researcher (University of Sannio, Benevento, Italy)

ACADEMIC COMMITTEES AND INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2011-present: Teaching activities in Molecular Biology, member examination committee and responsibilities in the practical lab sessions included designing laboratory course program and content. Teaching Supervisor for the final examination Degree (1st Level) in Biotechnology and Master Degree (2nd Level) in Biology.
- 2013-present: Board member committee assignments thesis and practical activities lab sessions, Department of Sciences and Technologies University of Sannio, Benevento, Italy

SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES AND CONFERENCES

- **The main research interest concerns: a) The role of centrosome linker in health and diseases; b) Identification of novel biomarkers of the tumor microenvironment as therapeutic targets; c) The role of tumor microenvironment in cancer development and drug resistance.**
- Author of over 35 publications in scientific journal concerning basic cancer research
- Prizes: Santa Cruz best paper prize 2013
- 2015-present: Editorial Board Member of Scientific Reports (NPG), Gastroenterology Research and practice (Hindawi)
- 2014-present: member of scientific society euroscicon, controlling cancer summit; Italian society of Cancerology
- Invited speaker in the following congresses:
 - a) Control cancer summit 2013-2015 London, UK
 - b) BIT's annual Congress of MolMed 2013-2015
 - c) Emirates Surgical Pathology Conference 2014-2015
 - d) International Conference & Exhibition on Pathology 2014-2015
 - e) BIT's 8th Annual World Cancer Congress Korea-2014-2015

EDITORIAL AND REVIEW ACTIVITIES

BMC cancer; Oncogene (Nature Group); Journal of Translational Medicine; Gastroenterology Research and Practice; PLOSone; World Journal of Gastroenterology; Scientific Reports (Nature Group); Human Pathology, British Journal of Cancer (Nature Group), Open Biology.

SCIENTIFIC COLLABORATIONS

Departments of Surgery, Medical Oncology and Pathology of the “Fatebenefratelli” Hospital, Benevento, Italy; Departments of Oncology and Anatomic Pathology Rummo Hospital, Benevento, Italy; Department of Diagnostic and Pathology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Verona; Department of Biotechnology, Faculty of Science, University of Verona, Italy; II University of Naples, Department of General Pathology, Naples, Italy; Center for Oncology Research “Pascale Institute“ Naples, Italy; Department of Pathology, Konkuk University School of Medicine, Seoul, Korea; Department of Pathology, University of Athens, School of Medicine, Attikon University Hospital, Athens, Greece; National Centre of Pathology, Vilnius University Santariskiu Clinics Affiliate, Lithuania; Institute of Pathology, University Hospital Erlangen, Erlangen, Germany; Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Faculty of Pharmacy, Complutense University, Madrid, Spain. Dr. Elmar Schiebel, Zentrum für Molekulare Biologie der Universität Heidelberg (ZMBH), DKFZ-ZMBH Allianz, Heidelberg, Germany.

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR FOR THE FOLLOWING RESEARCH PROJECT:

- Identification of novel therapeutic target of the tumor microenvironment (Roche Pharmaceuticals, 2013)
- DNA hypo/hypermethylation in cancer: decrypt the epigenetic basis of the paradox. (Epigen, 2011).
- Identification of novel genes causing colonic rhabdoid tumors.
- Role of immune cells and inflammatory response in aggressive cancers.
- "Progettazione, sintesi e studi Biologici di farmaci innovativi verso importanti target nella terapia del cancro" (PRIN MIUR 2012)
- Prize by for research production (MIUR, 2017)

TEACHING ACTIVITY

- 2011-present: Teaching activities in Molecular Biology, member examination committee and responsibilities in the practical lab sessions included designing laboratory course program and content. (n.12 CFU).
- 2011-present: Teaching Supervisor for the final examination Degree (1st Level) in Biotechnology and Master Degree (2nd Level) in Biology.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- 2012-present: Coordinator, lecturer and member examination committee, in the course of Molecular Biology with laboratory which is integral part of the course Degree (1st Level) in Biotechnology, Department of Sciences and Technologies University of Sannio, Benevento, Italy.
- 2013-present: Board member committee assignments thesis and practical activities lab sessions, Department of Sciences and Technologies University of Sannio, Benevento, Italy
- 2014-present: Member committee to design schedule quality assurance of the Department of Sciences and Technologies “SUA-CdS” to ensure an acceptable standards of educational programmes and infrastructure according to the regulations of the Italian Ministry of Education.
- 2015-2018 Reviewer for Czech Health Research Council.
- 2017-today Council Member of the *Gerson Lehrman Group (GLG)*

Publications

1. **Pancione M**, N Forte, L Sabatino, E Tomaselli, D Parente, A Febbraro, V Colantuoni. Reduced β-catenin and PPARγ expression levels are associated to colorectal cancer metastatic progression: correlation with TAMs, COX-2 and patients' outcome: Human PATHOLOGY 2009; 40:714-25.
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3. **Pancione M**, N Forte, A Fucci, L Sabatino, A Febbraro, A Di Blasi, B Daniele, D Parente, V Colantuoni. Prognostic role of β-catenin and p53 expression in the metastatic progression of sporadic colorectal cancer. Human PATHOLOGY 2010; 41:867-876.
4. **Pancione M**, N Forte, S Campione, A Napolitano, D Parente, L Sabatino, A Febbraro, V Colantuoni. The high expression of p53 in sporadic colorectal carcinoma is associated with metastasis and decreased survival. PATHOLOGICA 2010;102:51-56.
5. Persico, M; **Pancione, M**; Fucci, A.; Sabatino, L.; Pasquali, D.; Masarone, M.; La Mura, V.; Persico, E.; Vecchione, R.; Colantuoni, V. Hepatic Retinol Binding Protein 4 (Rbp-4) Levels Are Significantly Related To The Steatohepatitis Grade (Compromission) But Not With Hcv Infection. *Digestive and Liver Disease* vol. 42 February, 2010. p. S49 (published as Abstract)
6. **Pancione M**, A Di Blasi, L Sabatino, A Fucci, AM Dalena, N Palombi, P Carotenuto, B Daniele, N Normanno, V Colantuoni. A novel case of rhabdoid colon carcinoma associated with a CIMP+ phenotype and BRAF mutation. Human PATHOLOGY. 2011;42:1047-52
7. D Pasquali, L Circelli, A Faggiano, **Pancione M**, A Renzullo, R Elisei, C Romei, G Accardo, VR Coppola, M De Palma, F Grimaldi, P Ferolla, A Colao, V Colantuoni. CDKN1B V109G Polymorphism a New Prognostic Factor in Sporadic Medullary Thyroid Carcinoma. European Journal of Endocrinology. 2011;164:397-404
8. L Sabatino, A Fucci, **Pancione M**, V Carafa, A Nebbioso, C Pistore, F Babbo, C Votino, C Laudanna, M Ceccarelli, L Altucci, IM Bonapace, V Colantuoni. UHRF1 coordinates peroxisome proliferator activated receptor gamma (PPARG) epigenetic silencing and mediates colorectal cancer progression. Oncogene 2012 Dec 6;31(49):5061-72.
9. **Pancione M**, Remo A, Colantuoni V. Genetic and epigenetic events generate multiple pathways in colorectal cancer progression. Patholog Res Int. 2012;2012:509348.

10. Sabatino L, Fucci A, **Pancione M**, Colantuoni V. PPARG Epigenetic Deregulation and Its Role in Colorectal Tumorigenesis. *PPAR Res.* 2012;2012:687492.
11. Fucci A, Colangelo T, Votino C, **Pancione M**, Sabatino L, Colantuoni V. The role of peroxisome proliferator-activated receptors in the esophageal, gastric, and colorectal cancer. *PPAR Res.* 2012;2012:242498.
12. Remo A, **Pancione M**, Zanella C, Vendraminelli R. Molecular Pathology of Colorectal Carcinoma. A systematic review centred on the new role of Pathologist. *Pathologica* 2012.
13. **Pancione M**, A Remo, L Sabatino, C Votino , A Fucci , C Zanella , A Di Blasi, G Lepore, B Daniele, F Femizia, N Normanno, R Vendraminelli, E Manfrin, V Colantuoni. Right-sided rhabdoid colorectal tumors might be related to the Serrated Pathway; *Diagnostic Pathology* 2013 Feb 20;8:31
14. Remo A, Zanella C, **Pancione M**, Astati L, Piacentini P, Cingarlini S, Bonetti SA, Micheletto C, Talamini A, Chilosì M, Vendraminelli R, manfrin E. Lung metastasis from TTF-1 positive sigmoid adenocarcinoma. Pitfalls and management. *Pathologica* 2013.
15. Colangelo T, Fucci A, Votino C, Sabatino L, **Pancione M**, Laudanna C, Binaschi M, Bigioni M, Maggi CA, Parente D, Forte N, Colantuoni V. MicroRNA-130b promotes tumour progression and is associated with poor prognosis in colorectal cancer. *Neoplasia* 2013 Oct; 15(10): 1218-31.
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17. Sabatino L, **Pancione M**, Votino C, Colangelo T, Lupo A, Novellino E, Lavecchia A and Colantuoni V. The emerging role of the β -catenin-PPAR γ axis in the pathogenesis of colorectal cancer. *World Journal of Gastroenterology* 2013. In press
18. Pagnotta SM, Laudanna C, **Pancione M**, Sabatino L, Votino C, Remo A, Cerulo L, Zoppoli P, Manfrin E, Colantuoni V and Ceccarelli M. Ensemble of Gene Signatures Reveals Novel Biomarkers in Colon Cancer through PPAR γ and TNF Signaling. *PLOSOne* 2013 Aug 19;8(8): e72638.
19. Ferrara G, **Pancione M**, Votino C, Quaglino P; Tomasini M, Santucci M, Pimpinelli M, Sabatino L, Colantuoni V. A specific DNA methylation profile correlates with a high risk of disease progression in stage I classical (Alibert-Bazin type) mycosis fungoides. *British Journal of Dermatology*, November 1, 2013.
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