

Curriculum Vitae of Giovina Ruberti

Personal data

Place Rome (Italy)
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Education

1979 High School Diploma, Liceo Scientifico J.F. Kennedy, Rome (60/60)
1985 Medical Degree University of Rome La Sapienza (cum laude). Tutor Prof. Vincenzo Barnaba

Current Position

2002-present Research Director at the National Research Council (CNR), Institute of Cell Biology (IBC-CNR, 2002-2010) and Institute of Cell Biology and Neurobiology (IBCN-CNR, 2010-present)

Professional Employment History

2002-present Research Director first at IBC-CNR (2002-2010) and then at IBCN-CNR (2010-present)
25/11- 21/12/2010 Acting Director of the IBC-CNR
2001-2002 Senior researcher at the IBC-CNR
1996-2001 Researcher at the IBC-CNR
1992-1996 Research Contract (ex art. 36 law 70/75) at the IBC-CNR
29/12-31/12/89 Research Contract (ex art. 36 law 70/75) at the Institute of Experimental Medicine-CNR
1987-1991 Postdoctoral Fellow at the Department of Medicine, Division of Immunology Stanford University (Laboratory Prof. Garrison Fathman)
1987 Award “Istituto Pasteur-Fondazione Cenci Bolognetti” University of Rome La Sapienza Foundation, for a two years post-doctoral fellowship abroad
02/1987 Visiting Fellow at the German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ) Heidelberg (Laboratory Dr. CM Weyand and Dr. J Goronzy)
1985-1987 Visiting Fellow at the Department of Medicine, Division of Immunology University of Rome La Sapienza (Laboratory Prof. Vincenzo Barnaba)
1984-1985 Visiting Fellow at the Department of Medicine, Division of Virology University of Rome La Sapienza (Laboratory Dr. Stefano Vella and Prof. Giovanni Rocchi)

Appointments

- 2008-2017 Italian Representative (MIUR) for the European Joint Undertaking-Innovative Medicines Initiative (JU IMI) (<http://www.imi.europa.eu/>), As member of the IMI-SRG in these years I have been involved in the elaboration and implementation of the IMI SRA, in the preparation of IMI calls, in the communications of IMI-JU with national institutions and public and private research groups.
- 2009-2017 Italian delegate (MIUR) in the Management Board of the Joint Programming Initiative "A Healthy diet for a healthy life" (JPI-HDHL) (www.healthydietforhealthylife.eu) and elected member of the Steering Committee. I participated to the analysis of the options, assessment of expected impacts and selection of instruments for SRA implementation; organization of Task Forces and preparation of joint initiatives call documents; organization of workshops, meetings and telematic conferences to stimulate and support the participation of national scientific groups to the JPI HDHL Projects.
- 9/2009-6/2012 Collaborator of the DGIR-MIUR for improving the italian competitiveness in european and non-european R&D Programmes and actions
- 2007-2012 Collaborator of the CNR, Department of Life Sciences (DSV). My activity aimed mainly to stimulate and facilitate collaborations of the CNR scientific community with public and private national research organizations, to promote and facilitate networking and participation of CNR scientists to regional, national and international scientific programs and projects
- 2010-2012 Head of the CNR-DSV Project "Molecular mechanisms and signals regulating cell proliferation, cell differentiation and cell death"
- 3/2010-2015 Head of the IBCN-CNR Research group (Comessa) "Signal transduction and multifactorial diseases"
- 2014-present Alternate Delegate (MIUR) in the SC1 Programme Committee (PC) Horizon 2020 for the "Health, demographic change and well-being" configuration. Participation to PC and national meetings and elaboration of documents.
- 2014-present National expert (MIUR) for the SC2 Horizon 2020 "Food security, sustainable agriculture and forestry, marine and maritime and inland water research and the bioeconomy". Participation to national meetings and elaboration of documents.

Committees

- 2007-2010 Member of the working group (GdL): Technology Transfer, CNR-DSV
- 2008-2011 Member of the GdL FRIEnd, Female Researchers in Europe Window
- 2010-2011 Member of the GdL Polo BioNeuro coordinated by the CNR-DSV to elaborate a working document for the development of a centre of excellence in biology and neuroscience in the North Area of Rome
- 1995-present Member of CNR-Committees for the selection of post-doctoral fellows and researchers at the IBC (1995-2010) and at the IBCN (2010-present)

2010-2011 Member of CNR-Committees for the evaluation of candidates to CNR staff positions in CNR-Institutes of the DSV

Scientific activity

Trained in immunology, cellular biology and molecular biology at the University of Rome La Sapienza (1984-1987) and at the Stanford University's School of Medicine (1987-1991), I acquired considerable expertise and experience in the study of complex biological processes including cell growth and cell fate of hematopoietic cells, signal transduction pathways mediated by immune cell surface receptors such as T cell receptor and Major histocompatibility antigens, mouse genetics and analysis of immunological phenotypes in healthy and autoimmune disease models. In 1992, I established a Signal Transduction laboratory at the IBC-CNR (now IBCN-CNR), committed to the discovery of mechanisms controlling programmed cell death in physiology, cancer and autoimmune diseases. More recently, I coordinated two large multidisciplinary projects, one focused on cancer biology, supported by the Ministry of Economics and Finances (CNR Project "Innovative drugs and biotechnology networks of Quality" (FaReBio di Qualità) and involving research groups of the CNR-IBCN, -IBBE (Institute of Biomembranes and Bioenergetics, Bari), -IBIM (Institute of Biomedicine and Molecular Immunology, Palermo) and the second focused on Schistosomiasis, supported by MIUR (Project CNR-CNCCS) and involving research groups of the CNR-IBCN and IRBM Science Park. Both projects aim to: i) develop cellular and murine models and functional studies for the discovery of innovative lead targets/compounds potentially relevant for unmet medical needs; ii) integrate skills, qualities, strengths, expertise and competencies of the CNR; iii) facilitate collaboration with small and medium enterprises and improve regional innovation in the field of drugs and diagnostic tools discovery.

In summary, the scientific activity has been mainly directed to the following thematic areas:

- Structure/function relationship between TCR and antigen recognition in physiology and autoimmune diseases
- Proteins of the Death Domain Fold family (i.e. Fas Receptor, FADD, TRADD and Caspases): apoptotic and non apoptotic functions (i.e. cell cycle, cell adhesion and cell migration);
- Innovative Drugs: Cellular, parasites and murine models and functional studies (Molecular mechanisms of drug resistance in lung cancer model systems; Lead targets/compounds identification for Schistosomiasis)

Scientific coordination of national and international Research Projects

1993-1995	VI-VII-VIII AIDS Research Project (National Institute of Health, ISS) "Polymorphisms and expression analysis of the pro-apoptotic Fas gene in healthy and HIV positive individuals"
1995-1997	AIRC (Italian Association for Cancer Research) "Regulation of Fas-mediated apoptosis"
1996	IX AIDS Project (ISS) "Role of Fas in T lymphocyte depletion in HIV infection: Fas variants and identification of genes involved in apoptotic signal transduction pathways"
1996-1998	Telethon "Role of Fas and Fas Ligand in the pathogenesis of type I diabetes".
1997-1998	AIDS (ISS) "Regulation of Fas-mediated apoptosis. Strategies to interfere with increased susceptibility to apoptosis in HIV infection"
1998-2000	AIRC "Identification and characterization of mechanisms that regulate the CD95 induced apoptotic signal"

- 2001 AIRC “Trafficking and compartmentalization analysis of apoptotic elements regulating Fas and FADD signaling”
- 2002 Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Innovative USA Grant “Role of T1DM associated CTLA-4 Polymorphisms on protein Trafficking and Compartmentalization”
- 2005 CNR-curiosity driven Project (*Ricerca a tema libero*) “FADD and TRADD non apoptotic functions”

Coordinator of a research unit within Networking Research Projects

- 1994-1997 Human Capital and Mobility European Commission “Signal transduction mechanisms that control the activation, growth and apoptosis of T lymphocytes”
- 1996-1997 CNR Strategic Project “Cell cycle and apoptosis” – IBC-CNR unit: “Modulation of Fas and FasL in physiologic and pathological conditions”
- 1997-1999 Biomed 2 EC “Surface receptor-induced apoptosis in transformed cells: defining the molecular events involved in TNF-R1 and Fas apoptotic signaling”
- 1998-2000 CNR *Progetto Finalizzato Biotecnologie* “Regulation of Fas-mediated apoptosis. Strategies to interfere with apoptotic signaling”
- 1998-2000 Training and Mobility European Commission “Regulation of apoptosis in tissue homeostasis and cancer: role of TNF-R1 and Fas”
- 2000-2001 CNR Strategic Project “Post-genomics technologies” - IBC-CNR unit: “Identification of novel genes that modulate the apoptotic process”
- 2002-2003 MIUR-CNR Project Functional genomics–Function of genes at the cellular and organism level. The IBC-CNR unit coordinated also research groups of the University of Rome Tor Vergata and of the University of Udine “**C**Ontrolling **M**odulated **E**lements **T**ransducing **A**poptosis (COMETA)”
- 2005-2007 Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation-Telethon. “IDDM12 Locus Analysis in T1DM: Identification and Characterization of Functional Polymorphisms”
- 2012-2013 MIUR-PRIN2009 “Resistance to target therapy and ErbB receptors inhibitors”
- 2011-2013 Project “Innovative drugs and biotechnology networks of Quality” (FaReBio di Qualità) supported by a grant from the Italian Ministry of Economics and Finances to the CNR. IBCN-CNR Unit: “Laboratory node for Innovative drug discovery: cellular and murine models and functional studies. The IBCN-CNR unit coordinates also research groups of IBBE-CNR and IBIM-CNR.
- 2012-2017 Project CNR-CNCCS “Collezione di composti chimici ed attività di screening” Public-private project in collaboration with IRBM Science Park srl.
- 2012-2017 Project CNR-CNCCS Schistodiscovery– “Schistosomiasis - Innovative drugs discovery”, in collaboration with IRBM Science Park
- 2013-2016 Progetto premiale “Medicina personalizzata” BBT (Biomarcatori, Bersagli, Tumori) - Identificazione di biomarcatori e bersagli in tumori umani

polmonari farmaco-resistenti ed in tumori neuroendocrini per approcci diagnostici e terapeutici innovativi.

- 2014-2015 CNR-Regione Lazio Sviluppo di piattaforme scientifiche e tecnologiche e di librerie molecolari ad alto contenuto innovativo applicate a malattie rare e trascurate. SP3 Approcci di ricerca traslazionale per Malattie Rare e Trascurate. WP4 Sviluppo piattaforme di drug discovery per target epigenetici Public-private project in collaboration with IRBM Science Park srl. "Schistosomiasis: identification of epigenetic targets"
- 2016-2018 PRIN 2015 20154JRJPP "Towards multi-stage drugs to fight poverty related and neglected parasitic diseases: synthetic and natural compounds directed against Leishmania, Plasmodium and Schistosoma life stages and assessment of their mechanisms of action".

Reviewer Activity

Scientific Journals

BBA Molecular Cell Research, Cell Death and Differentiation, Cell Death and Disease, Journal of Biological Chemistry, Journal of Experimental Medicine, Journal of Immunology, European Journal of Immunology, Oncogene, Ontotarget, Scientific Reports, Parasite & Vectors, Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry, PLoS One, PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases, International Journal of Antimicrobial Agents, Parasitology International.

Granting Agencies

National Institute of Health (Italy), Multiple sclerosis association (Italy), AIRC (Italy), National Science Foundation (USA), Swiss National Science Foundation (CH).

Teaching and Training Activity

Invited teaching lectures (4-6 hours/year) on apoptosis and cancer at the Faculty of Mathematical, Physical and Natural Sciences of the University of Rome La Sapienza (1992-2012);
Supervisor and Thesis Tutor of 12 undergraduate students of the Faculty of Mathematical, Physical and Natural Sciences of the University of Rome La Sapienza (1992-present);
Supervisor and Thesis Tutor of 6 PhD students in Genetics and Molecular Biology School of Genetics and Molecular Biology, PhD school in Molecular Biology and Medicine of the University of Rome La Sapienza (1995-present);
Tutor of 6 postdoctoral fellowships (FIRC, EC, Fondazioni Buzzati-Traverso), and 5 young researchers (assegni di ricerca)
Training of 4 technicians

Publications in peer reviewed journals

1. Franco A, Barnaba V, Levrero M, **Ruberti G**, Van Dyke A, Bonavita MS, Balsano F. Effect of 28 consecutive days lymphoblastoid interferon (alpha-IFN) administration on hepatitis B virus related chronic liver disease. *J Hepatol.* 1986;3 Suppl 2: S239-43.
2. Barnaba V, Levrero M, Franco A, **Ruberti G**, Musca A, Bonavita MS, Balsano F. Characterization of effector cells in lymphocytotoxicity to autologous hepatocytes in HBsAg-positive and autoimmune chronic active hepatitis (CAH). *Liver* 1986; 6(1): 45-52.
3. Barnaba V, **Ruberti G**, Levrero M, Balsano F. In vitro induction of HBsAg-specific CD8 CD11 human suppressor T cells. *Immunology* 1987; 62(3): 431-8.
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5. Franco A, Barnaba V, **Ruberti G**, Benvenuto R, Balsano C, Musca A. Liver-derived T cell clones in autoimmune chronic active hepatitis: accessory cell function of hepatocytes expressing class II major histocompatibility complex molecules. *Clin Immunol Immunopathol.* 1990; 54(3):382-94.
6. Puré E, K Inaba, MT Crowley, L Tardelli, MD Witmer-Pack, **G Ruberti**, CG Fathman and RM Steinman. Antigen processing by epidermal Langerhans cells correlates with the level of biosynthesis of major histocompatibility complex class II molecules and expression of invariant chain. *J. Exp. Med.* 1990; 172: 1459-1469.
7. McClure GC, **G Ruberti**, CG Fathman, HA Herlich and AB Begovich. DRB1*Ly10- a new DRB1 allele and its haplotypic association. *Immunogenetics* 1990; 32: 214-217.
8. **Ruberti G**, AB Begovich, AC Steere, W Klitz, HA Erlich and CG Fathman. Molecular analysis of the role of the HLA class II genes, DRB1, DQA1, DQB1 and DPB1 in susceptibility to Lyme Arthritis. *Human Immunol.* 1991; 31: 20-27.
9. **Ruberti G**, A Gaur, CG Fathman and AM Livingstone. The T cell receptor repertoire influences V β element usage in response to myoglobin. *J. Exp. Med.* 1991; 174: 83-92.
10. **Ruberti G**, AM Livingstone, JS Danska, A Gaur, and CG Fathman. Analysis of the ternary complex of antigen, MHC and T cell receptor: the influence of the T cell receptor V β repertoire on the V β gene element usage. *Res. Immunol.* 1991; 142: 491-493.
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12. Gaur A, **Ruberti G**, Haspel R, Mayer JP, Fathman CG. Requirement for CD8+ cells in T cell receptor peptide-induced clonal unresponsiveness. *Science* 1993; 259(5091):91-4.
13. **Ruberti G**, V Paragas, K Dewey and CG Fathman. Selection for amino acid sequence and J β element usage in β chain of DBA/2V β a and DBA/2V β b derived myoglobin specific T cell clones. *J. Immunol.* 1993; 151: 6185-6194.
14. Fiucci, G., **Ruberti, G**. Detection of polymorphisms within the FAS cDNA gene sequence by GC clampdenaturing gradient gel electrophoresis. *Immunogenetics* 1994; 39 (6): 437-439.
15. Cascino, I., Fiucci, G., Papoff, G., **Ruberti, G**. Three functional soluble forms of the human apoptosis-inducing Fas molecule are produced by alternative splicing *J of Immunol* 1995; 154 (6): 2706-2713.
16. Cifone, MG, Roncaioli, P, De Maria, R, Camarda, G, Santoni, A, **Ruberti, G**, Testi, R. Multiple pathways originate at the Fas/APO-1 (CD95) receptor: Sequential involvement of phosphatidylcholine specific phospholipase C and acidic sphingomyelinase in the propagation of the apoptotic signal *EMBO Journal* 1995; 14 (23): 5859-5868.
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19. Cascino I, Papoff G, Eramo A, Ruberti G. Soluble Fas/Apo-1 splicing variants and apoptosis. *Front Biosci.* 1996; 1:d12-8. Review.
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21. Baiocchi, RA, Khatri, VP, Lindemann, MJ, Ross, ME, Papoff, G, Caprio, AJ, Caprio, TV, Fenstermaker, R, **Ruberti, G**, Bernstein, ZP, Caligiuri, MA. Phenotypic and functional analysis of Fas (CD95) expression in primary central nervous system lymphoma of patients with acquired immunodeficiency syndrome. *Blood* 1997; 90 (5): 1737-1746.
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Patents

Domanda di brevetto internazionale N. di deposito WO2016/008977 presso EPO in data 16/07/2017 -IRBM Science Park SpA, CNCCS Scarl, CNR "Use of Perhexiline" Inventori: **G. Ruberti**, C. Lalli, A. Guidi (IBCN-CNR), A. Bresciani, N. Gennari, G. Paonessa, E. Nizzi (IRBM Science Park).