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Educational/Training

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE	YEAR(s)	FIELD OF STUDY
University of Milan, Milan, Italy	M.D	1986	Medicine Genetics
University of Milan, Milan, Italy	PhD	1990	Oncology
National Research Council Institute of Biotechnology (ITB) Segrate (Milan)- Italy	Post doc.	1991	Molecular Biology CNR, Milan, Italy
National Research Council Institute of Biotechnology (ITB) Segrate (Milan)- Italy	Researcher	1998	Molecular Biology

A. POSITION AND HONORS

Positions and Employment

1993-1998	Senior Investigator, Institute of Biomedical Technology, Segrate (Milan) Italy
1999-2001	Researcher at Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche, Institute of Biomedical Technology, Segrate (Milan) Italy
1998-2002	Professor of Biotechnology, University of Milan, Pharmacology Faculty.
2002—2006	Associate Professor, CNR, Institute of Biomedical Technology, Segrate (Milan) Italy
2006- 2011	Director of Research at CNR Institute of Biomedical Technology, Segrate (Milan) Italy
2011-present	Director of Research at CNR, IRGB, Milan Unit
2006-present	Head of Unit of “Omenn and Wiskott Aldrich group” at Telethon Institute for Gene Therapy, San Raffaele, Milan, Italy
2008-present	Head of Human Genome Unit, Istituto Clinico Humanitas, Milan Italy
July 2019- Sept2020	Director of the Institute of Genetics and Biomedicine (IRGB) -CNR

Other experiences and Professional Memberships

Academic and International Activities

1999-present	Reviewer for Primary Immunodeficiency Association (PiA) and Association Francaise contre les Myopathies (AFM)
2000-present	Responsible for data bank of Rag Defects and Osteopetrosis : http://www.uta.fi/bioinfo
2000-2006	Head of the Genetic Working Party- European Society for Immunodeficiencies
2008-present	Coordinator of the Retrospective Study on Osteopetrosis – Inborn Error Group (EBMT)
2010-2014	Secretary of the European Society of Immunodeficiency (ESID)

International Journal Reviewer:

Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology
Journal of Clinical Immunology
Journal of Leukocyte Biology
Blood
Bone and Osteoporosis Inter.
Journal of Bone and Mineral Research
Molecular Therapy
Expert Opinion on Orphan Drug
Frontiers in Immunology

International Journal Board Member

Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology, Journal of Clinical Immunology, Frontiers in Immunology

Grant Reviewer:

Action Medical Research for Children (UK)

Agence Nationale delle Recherche (ANR_AFM) (France)
Fondation pour le Recherche Medicale Equipe FRM (France)
Centre Hospitalier Regionael Universitarie Montpellier (France)
Primary Immunodeficiency Association (PiA) and Association Francaise contre les Myopathies (AFM)
External Panel Reviewer, ERC Starting Grants
Member of the Panel Board of Advanced ERC Grants

Patent:

Genetic markers for bone mass. The University Court of the University Aberdeen (Scotland)
Patent N. 03737357.8-2402-GB0300470
Date of filing: 04.02.03

Honors

2005 Winner, 2005 “Descartes Prize for Research”
2008 Member of Kunkel Society of Immunology

Meeting Organizer Committee

2012 2nd International Workshop of Translational Medicine, Istituto Clinico Humanitas, Rozzano (Milan)
2012 ESID Biennial Meeting – Florence
2017 4th Meeting of Translational Immunology of pathogenesis ad therapy of immunemediated diseases, Palermo
2019 5th Meeting of Translational Immunology of pathogenesis ad therapy of immunemediated diseases, Milano

Invited Presentations to peer-reviewed internationally established conferences

26 May 2002 Invited speaker at the 29th European Symposium on Calcified Tissue (ECTS), Zagreb
10 May 2004 Invited speaker at ESID Spring Meting, Prague
May 2004 Invited speaker at XI Biennial Meeting of the European Society of Immunodeficiency, Versailles
6 October 2006 Invited speaker at IPOPI, XII Biennial Meeting of the European Society of Immunodeficiency, Budapest

June 2007 Invited speaker at International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS), Jackson Hole Wyoming, USA
May 2008 Invited speaker at Second Course of Dysphormology, Bertinoro
June 2008 Invited speaker at Kunkel Society Meeting- Santa Margherita
25 June 2009 Invited speaker at 5th International Conference on Children's Bone Health
11 February 2010 Invited speaker at USGEB, Palazzo dei Congressi, Lugano, Switzerland
5 October 2011 Invited speaker Ospedale Bambin Gesu', Rome (Host: Prof. Paolo Rossi)
23 November 2011 Invited speaker at 6th European Workshop on Immune Mediated Inflammatory Diseases, Nice
23 January 2012 Invited speaker at University of NewCastle, Department of Immunology NewCastle (UK). Seminar (Host: Prof. A. Cant)
8-10 March 2012 Invited speaker 2nd African Society of Immunodeficiency (ASID), Hammamet,

	Tunisia
3-6 October 2012	Invited speaker at 15th ESID Biennial Meeting, Florence
5 September 2012	Invited Chairperson at European Congress of Immunology (ECI), Glasgow
8 April 2013	Invited speaker at 39th Annual Meeting of European Group for Blood and Bone Marrow Transplantation(EBMT), London
June 2013	Invited speaker at AIEOP, Rome
6 February 2014	Invited speaker at The 100 J Project Meeting, Antalya
Ocother 2014	Invited speaker at XVI Biennial Meeting of the European Society of Immunodeficiency, Prague.
12-14 June 2014	Invited speaker “Wiskott-Aldrich Syndrome from the B cell point of view”. Frontiers in Immunology, From Molecules to Diseases. Stockholm
June 2015	Invited speaker at International Conference on Children and Bone’s Health, ICCBH, Salzburg
9 October 2015	Invited speaker at “Intestinal Microbiota in Omenn Syndrome”. Ospedale Bambin Gesu’
10 October 2015	Invited speaker Conference on Autoimmunity in Severe Combined Immunodeficiency” Ospedale Pediatrico Bambin Gesu Rome
13 November 2015	Invited speaker at XV Congresso S.I.O.M.M.S. Bologna
6 November 2016	Invited speaker at FPID, Newport Beach, DC
15 June 2016	Invited speaker at Forum in Bone and Minerla Research, Torino
1 December 2017	Invited speaker at BSRT Meeting, Berlin
18 October 2017	Invited speaker at the Annual Meeting of the Scandinavian Society for Immunology
28 March 2017	Invited speaker at the 4 th Conference of Translational Medicine on pathogenesis and therapy of immune mediated diseases
9 June 2017	Invited speaker at II Update in Immunologia
26 Maggio 2017	Invited speaker at Ricerca traslazionale come ausilio per il management del paziente con Immunodeficienze Primitive
1 May 2018	Invited speaker at Brown Bag Seminar, NIH USA
25 May 2018	Invited speaker ECTS, Valencia
18 January 2019	Invited speaker 2 Journee Recherche FAI ² R/CRI IMIDIATE, Paris
22 March 2019	Invited speaker at Kunkel Society, New York

Grants:

1995-1998	Project E.0945 Telethon Grant entitled ‘Identification of the gene responsible for T-B- severe combined immunodeficiency’. Principle Investigator- 1995-1998
1999-2001	Telethon Grant "SCID due to defects in VDJ recombination : human studies and animal models E0917. 2002-2005 Scientific Responsible for AFM (Association Francaise contre le Myopathie) e Comitato Telethon "Terapia Genica delle Immunodeficienze combinate gravi
2002-2006	Ministry of Education and Research-FIRB Italian Grant: “Deciphering cell identify and cell differentiation mechanisms in the post-genome era by using three paragdimatic systems: breast, bone and lymphocytes.
2006-2010	Scientific Responsible for Telethon Project A04 " Basic Biology of Omenn syndrome"

- 2006-2010 Scientific Responsible for Telethon Project A02 " Gene Therapy of Wiskott Aldrich syndrome"
- 2007-2010 Scientific responsible for Nobel CARIPLO "Genetics and functional genomics of myelomonocytic cells"
- 2009-2012 Scientific responsible for Fondazione CARIPLO Project " Cellular and molecular mechanisms of autoimmune manifestations in primary immunodeficiency due to partial defects in V(D)J recombination"
- 2010-2015 EC FP7 2010 call- CELL-PID: Translational research on cell based immunotherapy.
- 2010-2012 Responsible Research Project "Novel Approaches exploiting gene targeting and cell reprogramming in stem cells based regenerative medicine". PRIN 2009 (2008SR75557)
- 2011-2016 Scientific responsible of Telethon Core grant "Autoimmunity in Primary Immunodeficiencies".
TIGETA3 Telethon A3: Dissection of cellular and molecular mechanisms underlying autoimmunity in Omenn syndrome. Euro 512.600
TIGET A2 Telethon A2: Cellular and molecular basis of autoimmunity of Wiskott Aldrich syndrome. Euro 533.700
- 2011-2013 Induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSC) in the treatment of TCIRG1-dependent osteopetrosis: a step by step reproduction of the entire therapeutic process in the mouse. Minister of Health RF-2009-1499542
- 2012-2015 Molecular and cellular bases of intestinal mucosal pathology in Omenn Syndrome. Fondazione CARIPLO 2012-0519. Euro 240.000
- 2013-2017 EC FP72012 call-SYBIL: "System biology for the functional validation for genetic determinants of skeletal diseases" Grant . 602300. Euro 496.800
- 2016-2020 Horizon 2020GRANT AGREEMENT NO: 666908: "Developing genetic Medicines for Severe Combined Immunodeficiency (SCIDNET)" Euro 473.000
- 2017-2020 PRIN 2015_ Ministry of Education and Research "New experimental therapies for genetic skeletal diseases". Euro 83.506
- 2018-2022 Recomb "Stem-cell based gene therapy for recombination deficient SCID (RECOMB)". Euro 532.500/ Participant
- 2019-2021 PRIN 2017 Ministero della Educazione e Ricerca "Advanced genetic engineering to study and treat monogenic"

SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

Dr Villa has published more than 190 papers in international scientific journals for a total citation of 8558 and Scopus "h" index of 51. ORCID: <http://orcid.org/0000-0003-4428-9013>

The main focus of her research has been the molecular and cellular dissection of severe combined immunodeficiencies. In her early career, Anna Villa identified the genes responsible for different forms of severe combined immunodeficiency (SCID). In particular, she identified Jak3 as the gene responsible for T⁺B⁻ SCID published on Nature in 1995 and later she discovered mutations in WAS gene in patients suffering from X-linked thrombocytopenia (*Nature Genetics*, 1995). During the following years, she addressed her studies to a peculiar form of SCID, named Omenn syndrome, characterized by activated T cells and absence of B cells in the presence of high level of IgE (*Cell*, 1998). She was able to characterize the molecular defects underlying this enigmatic immunodeficiency. She showed that hypomorphic mutations in Rag1 and Rag2 genes impairing but not abolishing the protein activities, are responsible for this peculiar SCID form. She focused her analysis on the molecular and biochemical effects of these mutations trying to correlate the clinical signs of Omenn syndrome with the molecular defects. To further address the pathophysiology of this disease, she generated a murine model carrying a hypomorphic mutation in Rag2 gene found in an Omenn patient (*Journal of Clinical Investigation*, 2007). Thanks to the availability of this mouse model, which well recapitulates the human phenotype, she was able to demonstrate defects in the mechanisms of central and peripheral tolerance. She also performed studies on regulatory T cells in patients demonstrating a defect in suppression activity function. Defects in B cells in OS mouse model and patients have been also analysed (*JEM*, 2010). In parallel with the identification of genes involved in SCID, Anna Villa has addressed her studies to the efficacy and safety of gene therapy of Wiskott Aldrich syndrome, a complex and severe X-linked disorder characterized by microthrombocytopenia, eczema, immunodeficiency, and increased risk to develop autoimmunity. Using third generation of lentiviral vector carrying human WAS gene driven by its own promoter, she demonstrated that gene therapy can restore functional defects in T cells and more recently in B cells. Thanks to the preclinical studies, a lentiviral vector based clinical trial for the human WAS disease is now undergoing at the San Raffaele Institute (*Science*, 2013, *JCI* 2015, *JACI* 2015). In parallel with gene therapy studies, she has also analyzed the pathophysiology of Wiskott Aldrich syndrome demonstrating that the lack of WASp causes a defect in maturation and function of iNKT cells (*JEM*, 2009), dendritic cells and B cells (*JEM* 2013, *JACI* 2014, *JCI* 2015). She is currently evaluating the follow up of gene therapy patients focusing on B cell and platelet defects.

Her group is now involved in the correction of RAG defects and in close collaboration with Notarangelo group (NIH) she has optimized a gene editing platform to correct RAG1 defect in CD34⁺ cells. In parallel, she has tested a novel conditioning approach based on the use of immunotoxin conjugated to anti-CD45 (*JACI*, 2020)

Anna Villa has also strongly contributed to the molecular dissection of another important genetic disease. In the last years, she has directed her interests to a heterogeneous group of bone diseases, named Osteopetrosis. These studies represent the beginning of the molecular dissection of this complex and heterogenous inherited bone defects.

Her group has indeed identified TCIRG1 as the gene responsible for autosomal recessive form of osteopetrosis (ARO) (*Nature Genetics*, 2000) and later she contributed to the characterization of two other forms of ARO due to defect in Grey Lethal and Pleckstrin genes, respectively (*Nature Medicine*, 2003; *Journal of Clinical Investigation*, 2007). More recently her group has described RANKL and RANK as genes responsible for the osteoclast poor Osteopetrosis (*Nature Genetics*, 2007; *Am J Human Genetics*, 2008). The molecular dissection of ARO has important implication not only for the molecular diagnosis, but also for the treatment of the disease. RANKL dependent ARO forms cannot be cured by bone marrow transplantation and the recognition of this molecular

defect could candidate these patients to alternative therapeutic approaches. To this end, *Rankl*^{-/-} mice have been treated with the soluble form of RANKL demonstrating the feasibility and efficacy of this substitutive treatment as preclinical model of ARO caused by defect in this molecule (*J. Bone Miner Res* 2012). In parallel with these studies, her team has contributed to further understand the spectrum of clinical manifestations in autosomal recessive and dominant forms caused by defects in *C1CN7* gene. Finally, analysis of exome sequencing has allowed identifying novel cases of *CTSK* gene mutations in patients originally diagnosed as intermediate osteopetrosis.

Currently, Villa's group is involved in the identification of candidate genes responsible for novel forms of ARO and ADO by genome wide sequencing and in parallel testing novel gene correction approaches. To this end, her lab has recently established a cellular data bank of induced Pluripotent stem cells (iPSC) obtained from patients carrying defects in the main genes involved in ARO forms. The generation of this cellular lines source represents a disease modelling relevant for the comprehension of the molecular and cellular bases of the disease and for testing novel cellular therapeutic approaches (*Stem Cell Reports*, 2015). To this regard, in the past Villa's group has performed pioneer studies aimed at understaining the feasibility and efficacy of in utero stem cell transplantation in the murine model of osteopetrosis (*Proc Natl Acad Sci*, 2005). More recently, her group has tested and optimized a novel strategy to correct *TCIRG1* gene defect by gene targeting in murine iPSC obtained from the murine model of osteopetrosis (*oc/oc* mouse). Finally, Villa's group has generated a third generation lentiviral vector carrying human RANKL gene to cure osteoclast-poor form of ARO caused by defects in *rankl* molecule. Experiments to test the efficacy of this gene therapy approach to cure RANKL defective osteopetrosis are currently ongoing.

PUBLICATIONS

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