Marco Alessandro Pierotti

Dr.Pierotti graduated in 1973 in Biological Sciences at the University of Milan and started working at the Fondazione IRCCS Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori (INT) in Milan. From 1978 to 1980 he was Visiting Investigator at the Laboratory of Chemical Cancerogenesis of the NCI-NIH Bethesda (MD) and Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Laboratory of Viral Oncology of the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Institute in New York. In 2006, Dr. Pierotti was appointed Scientific Director of the Fondazione IRCCS Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori in Milan, where, since 1970, he had already held various positions, including Director of the Department of Experimental Oncology.

Since 1988, he has been Professor of Molecular Genetics of Cancer at the Postgraduate School of Oncology, University of Milan Medical School and co-director of the Laboratory of Molecular Diagnosis at the INT. In 2014 (September) he resigned from his position at INT to take the charge of President and CEO of Nerviano Medical Sciences (NMS) srl, one of the biggest oncological pharma company in Europe. In 2015 (April) he leaved the Company and took the position of Scientific Coordinator of the researches of the Institute of Pediatric Researches (IRP) in Padua devoted to study molecular aspects of the main pediatric diseases with particular focus on pediatric onco-hematology. The Institute was created by a private Charithy, The City of Hope Foundation of Monte Malo (Vi).

Since 2000 he is still Senior Group leader of the Molecular Genetics of Cancer group at the Institute FIRC of Molecular Oncology (IFOM, Milan). Past President (2006 – 2008) of the Italian Cancer Society, Dr. Pierotti is a member of the American Association for Cancer Research and of its Advisory Board and the Laboratory Research Awards Selection Committee. He has been also President (2006 – 2008) of the European Association for Cancer Research (EACR) and in this role was among the founders of the Europen CanCer Organisation (ECCO) where he was appointed as member of the Policy Committee.

In recent years, he was the Italian Representative at the Scientific Committee of the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), Lyon. From 2006 to 2014 he has been appointed as Scientific Secretary of Alleanza Contro il Cancro (ACC) promoted by the Italian Ministry of Health. In 2008 he was Member of the Evaluation of the Research Program Functional and Structural Genomics for DKFZ. He was an expert for the Oncology Research Projects of the European Community and was a consultant in oncology research for the Ministries of Research of different Countries. From 2006 to 2014 he was the chairs of the regional Project ,

The Region Lombardy Oncological Network (ROL) selected in 2014 by the EC as one of the best example of oncological network. His appointments in the Organisation of European Cancer Institutes (OECI) started in 2007 when he took the position of Vice – President. From 2008 he was the President – elect and then the President of the Organization. Finally, in 2014 he was appointed OECI Executive Secretary.

Over the years, Dr. Pierotti has been Principal Investigator or Head of several national and international research grants, funded by both private and public bodies. His authorship includes over 470 publications that deal with various aspect of experimental oncology including studies on immunology, biochemistry and molecular biology using both experimental and human tumors.

In addition, since its fifth edition he is the first author of the chapter on "Oncogenes" in the most reputed textbook *Cancer Medicine* (Holland-Frei). The metrics of his scientific activity is summarised by an H index of 89 and total citations of 32.441(Google scholar October 2016).