

**Paola Costelli - Curriculum vitae et studiorum**

### **Personal details**

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- Education**

  - 1987. Degree in Biological Sciences at the University of Torino discussing a thesis entitled: ‘Pathogenesis of cancer cachexia in an experimental model’;
  - 1990. Qualification as Biologist;
  - 1993. PhD in Experimental and Molecular Pathology, discussing a thesis entitled ‘Study about the pathogenesis of cancer cachexia’;
  - 1993. Fellow of the European Economic Community (now Marie Curie Fellowships) for a stage (from 4/3/1993 to 3/12/1993) at the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, University of Barcelona, Spain, under the supervision of Prof. Josep M. Argilés;
  - 1994. Post-doc fellow at the Department of Experimental Medicine and Oncology at the University of Torino (from 13/05/1994 to 13/05/1996);
  - 1997. Fellow of the Gruppo di Cooperazione in Cancerologia (from 01/01/1997 to 15/04/1998). Research project: ‘The molecular basis of cell and tissue damage induced by tumor necrosis factor-alpha’;
  - 1997. Fellow of the Consorzio Interuniversitario Biotecnologie for a 3 months stage (from 13/01/1997 to 11/04/1998) at the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, University of Barcelona, Spain, under the supervision of Prof. Josep M. Argilés.

### ***Professional experiences and current position***

- 1997. Professor at the School of Science of the University of Torino holding a short course about the ‘Role of cytokines in pathology: molecular, cellular and pathophysiological aspects’;
  - 1998. Laboratory assistant at the Department of Experimental Medicine and Oncology, University of Torino;
  - 1999-2006. Assistant professor, School of Science, University of Torino;
  - 2006-2017. Associate professor of General pathology, University of Torino;
  - December 22, 2017-. Full professor of General pathology, University of Torino.

### **Teaching activity:**

- Degree in Industrial Biotechnologies, School of Science  
Teaching of Molecular Immunology from 1998 to 2003;  
Member of the examining board for the course of Pathophysiology;
  - Bachelor (formerly Degree) in Biological Sciences, School of Science  
Teaching of Immunology since 2001;  
Member of the examining board for the courses of General Pathology, Cellular Pathology, and Molecular Pathology;

- Master in Cellular and Molecular Biology, School of Science  
Teaching of Immunopathology from 2005 to 2015;  
Teaching of Oncology and Molecular Pathology since 2016;  
President of the Master from Academic Year 2015-2016 to 2020-2021;
- Master in Dietary Sciences and Human Nutrition, School of Science and School of Medicine  
Teaching of Pathological Aspects of Nutrition, since 2012;
- Specialty School in Clinical Pathology, School of Medicine  
Teaching of Immunology in 1999;  
Teaching of Immunopathology since 2000;
- Teacher in the PhD School in 'Health and Life Sciences', curriculum 'Medicine and Experimental Therapy', School of Medicine.

### **Research main topics**

Study of the mechanisms underlying the pathogenesis of muscle wasting in cancer cachexia, particularly focusing on the alterations of proteostasis and myogenesis.

### **Main projects as PI:**

Paola Costelli was the PI in different projects funded by: University of Torino, Regione Piemonte, Italian Government (MIUR), Italian Association for Cancer Research (AIRC), Compagnia di San Paolo, Fondazione Cariplo, World Antidoping Association (WADA), EIT-FOOD (EU). She actually holds grants from the Food4Health joint program and from AIRC.

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