

A two hundred times Thank You!



Today for 200 temps of the Pascale Institute, and for thousands throughout Italy, all this has ended. They thank you 200 times, but it is a thanks of infinite gratitude. They are two hundred voices that cry out their joy for having been hired. Behind each one, stories of sacrifice and hope that in these days have become confidence in the future.

A daily life of confusion, disorientation, absolute uncertainty. A life made of the present, in which the future fails to make its way. The fatigue becomes the only sensation that prevails and accompanies you. This is the condition of those who have lived for years in precarious employment. He makes his way through time, mind and soul, along with a feeling of exhausting research, the conviction, which later becomes almost certainty of the inevitability of his situation. It is impossible to change it for as much effort and commitment as possible.

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To Pascale the prize “Cento eccellenze Italiane”

In the prestigious Koch Hall of Palazzo Madama, seat of the Senate of the Italian Republic, was held, Thursday, January 16, 2020, the official ceremony for the delivery of the 100 National Ambassadors Award. Awarded also the irccs Pascale, the prestigious award was withdrawn by Prof Franco Buonaguro. The aim of 100 Italian excellences is to reward 100 protagonists of the best Italy, by virtue of the precious contribution made by each of them to the growth of our country.

Telling through the history of 100 Italian excellences the face of beautiful Italy, characters, companies and organizations that with their work contribute and have contributed to enhance the emblem of a distinctive brand recognized all over the world. Organized by the LIBER Association, chaired by verdiana Dell'Anna, in collaboration with the RDE publishing house, 100 National Ambassadors is dedicated to Municipalities, Companies and virtuous entities, engaged in representative areas for each Italian region, such as agri-food, tourism, art and culture, sport and entertainment, food and wine, fashion, manufacturing, innovation, large-scale distribution, credit institutions, housing, shipyards,



Prof Buonaguro represented Pascale and was awarded with a prize

, engineering, automotive, health and wellness, protection of the environment, respect for the law; local authorities and companies on the front lines that bring in Italy and abroad the knowledge of the place of origin and its iconic style, industries that invest in ethics, health and training of employees, as well as companies and organizations ambassadors of a'Italia that knows how to defend its roots and value excellence, with the gaze always turned to progress. To open the evening with thanks and institutional greetings rite, the President of the Free Association that organized the event. Following the publisher Riccardo Dell'Anna, creator of the editorial project and the precious volume 100 National Ambassadors, next release.

Interview with the Scientific Director, prof. Gerardo botti



*President of the Republic Sergio Mattarella
Scientific Director IRCCS Pascale di Napoli Gerardo Botti*

Two hundred workers, among precarious researchers and research support, have achieved a specific legal status in the Institute for some weeks. Highly strategic personnel for our health care system and translational research.

Q. Director, what are the advantages of the Pyramid route?

A. Have inserted the role of translational research within the CCNL. Today, patient welfare is even more at the heart of our SSN, which is among the best in the world. It is not by chance that these hours the news that the Hospital spallanzani has managed to isolate the coronavirus. To demonstrate the importance of investing in research. It is not possible to invest only 1% of national GDP. Where research is done, the cure is better.

Q. How did this happen?

A. There has been the commitment of all management. In particular, as FF (Acting Director of the Scientific Directorate), on 28 December 2017 I took on the responsibility of extending all contracts of the institute's research workers, with a certain management. At that time I had great confidence in the commitment made by the institutions, because in the numerous meetings with the Directorate General of the Ministry of Health, in particular with Director Giovanni leonardi, I understood that there was a strong desire to complete the investigation of the stabilization of research workers, at a time when Campania was experiencing the difficulties due to the police.

Q. Well, has the police department lost sight of the needs of the cancer patient?

A. No! Absolutely not. The Campania Region, despite everything, has worked hard to set up the Campana cancer network coordinated by our Institute. At the same time, in fact, it has disbursed around EUR 150 ml of European funding for Campania oncology. We have benefited from a good share for network projects, infrastructures and highly innovative methodologies. Meanwhile, for the planning and definition of these project activities it was necessary to be able to count on a governance of the research staff, until recently precarious, in order to carry out these activities.

Q. From 2017 to today we have taken three years. What was the path and why?

A. The bodies responsible for defining and implementing the Pyramid[™], in agreement with the trade unions, have succeeded in finding funding and in agreeing on the modalities of initial implementation for the placement of research workers. The real and determined political commitment aimed above all to be as inclusive as possible in the criteria for access to the Pyramid. In this, and I want to emphasize it, there has been the tireless commitment of the President of the Campania Region, on. Vincenzo De Luca, who has always believed in the realization of this path aimed at stabilizing the research staff. And he has found particularly fertile ground in the present Minister of Health, Roberto Speranza. In fact, I had the pleasure of meeting him at the Quirinale last November, on the occasion of the National Research Day. And, a few months after his inauguration, he had very clear the situation of the IRCC and in particular the need to complete the legislative process of the Pyramid as soon as possible.

Q. The institution today is a reference point in the world, what future prospects?

A. The Pascale has now entered a circuit of national and international recognition of translational research, thanks to the efficiency of many researchers become undisputed leaders of oncology. Today I can only hope that, with a more tranquil programming, the results of translational research in our institute are given up to implement and the citizen can increase his sense of trust in our institution, reducing passive mobility to a minimum. And this will only be possible if, together with prestigious results of cancer research, we can combine all the processes of humanization essential to the welfare of the cancer patient. This will be our next challenge.

Pyramid of Research.. to the conquest of dignity!

It is now almost 15 years since Europe adopted The European Charter for Researchers, a set of general principles on the role of scientific researchers and the rights/duties that govern their working relationship with employers and/or funding bodies.

Since then, scientific research in health care in our country had continued to use atypical contracts to frame the professionalism of the research sector, without recognizing structurally its existence and generating a set of fragmented professionals and (consequently) unable to stand united in the struggle for the conquest of working dignity. Yet the enormous potential of scientific research, both in terms of jobs and of the socio-economic progress of our country, has led the institutions to a long interlocution with the category, which has now culminated in the implementation of an ad hoc professional path, “Pyramid of Research” and in the integration of health research professionals in the health care sector. This is a historically relevant recognition, which at Pascale involves about 200 precarious sector. Among these 200 professionals, researchers Luigi portella and Stefania Cocco, share with us some reflections, as well as the satisfaction of being, finally, professionally recognized.

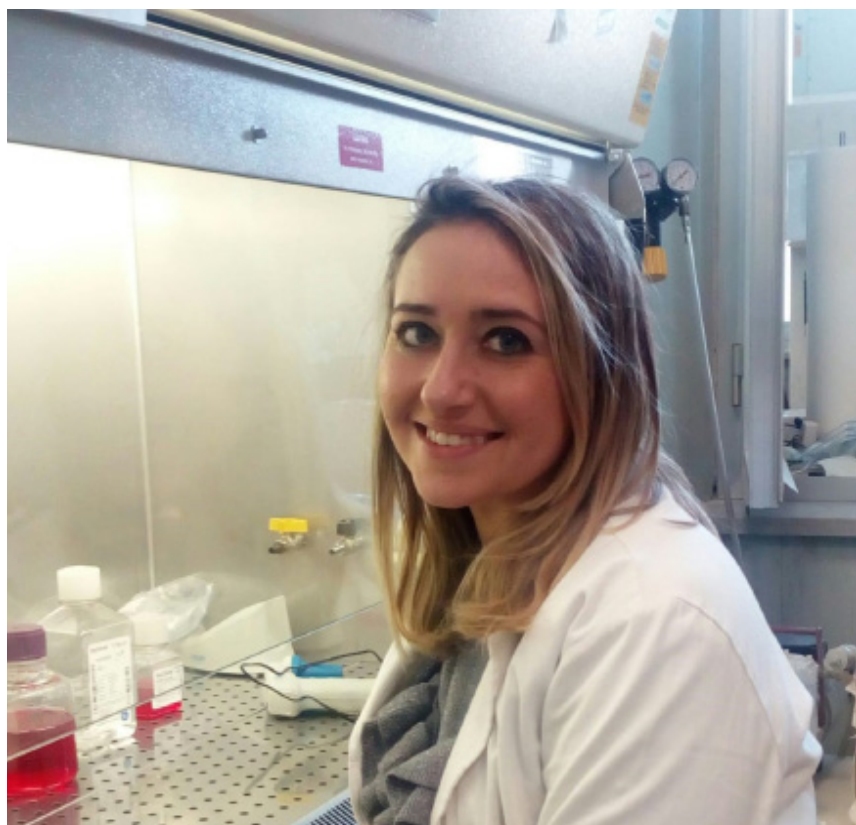


Researcher Luigi Portella

Q. The acquisition of a fixed-term employment contract as a Health Researcher in Naples is certainly a significant achievement. What do you think will change, practically, in your work? And in your personal sphere?

A. Luigi: In everyday life virtually nothing, we will continue to work and fight to achieve our goals as we have always done; whereas a research project lasts on average 3-5 years, we will have the possibility to face the work with more calm and with a design vision congrua to what are the average time of conclusion of a project. This new serenity will also have repercussions in the personal sphere: the possibility of making a mortgage, for example, is certainly an achievement “of normality”.

A. Stefania: Being recognized as researchers in Italy is a great achievement, especially if this happens in the south. This change will certainly have a positive impact on the scientific production of us researchers. In all these years of uncertainty, many have decided to go abroad or change jobs. Finally, a real contract “” rekindles the hope of the few left behind and drives us to believe more in our work and to do even better. From a private point of view, making long-term projects still requires courage, even if the 5-year perspective allows us to have a little more serenity in the management of our lives.



Researcher Stefania Cocco

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What do you think we should do as a category of workers, to consolidate the changes that are taking place and make them a starting point and not an end point for our profession?

Q. Can the recognition of the role of Health Researcher be, in your opinion, the beginning of a new perspective of work, in Italy and in Naples, for future generations?

A. Luigi: It's certainly a first and very important step for which we thank all those who have played a role in this, from the directors of the IRCCS to the political forces who wanted and believed in this reform. From our point of view, it is important to make it clear that it must be completed. For example, the access criteria for those who come after the first application need to be clarified, so that graduates can have a clear idea of the career path they are offered. We thus make mobility between Italy and abroad bi-directional, and we hope that the experience abroad will be a choice and an opportunity for growth, rather than a forced exile.

A. Stefania: It's definitely an important signal, it means that times are changing and that institutions finally recognize the importance of scientific research, investing in it. I hope that the next generations will benefit. Certainly there is still work to be done, the change must be above all cultural and must be considered to be in place, certainly not concluded.

Luigi: however, we aspire to increasing stability. The productivity assessments provided for in the contract, which are still being defined, must be balanced with respect to the Italian administrative context and, although the fixed number"" represents a poorly sustainable condition in today's economic environment, new formulas must be found to balance productivity with the stability to which every human being, before working, is entitled.

Stefania: Researchers who "ce l'made" have the moral duty to be an example, demonstrating with their results how important this work is for the whole community; and how much investing in research can give back so much to this country, both in economic and prestige terms.

by Chiara Ciardiello

Campania Prize 2019. The best deserve a prize. awarded three excellences of the institute

The prestigious recognition created by the President and journalist Donato Alfani, and promoted by the Association "Made in Italy", with the sponsorship of the Campania Region, the Order of Journalists of Campania, the Regional Council of Campania, of the Metropolitan City of Naples and the Municipality of Camposano, in collaboration with Dubai Village, has been assigned to three excellences of the National Institute of Tumori IRCCS "Fondazione Pascale": professors Paolo Ascierto, Franco Perrone and Gaetano Facchini, awarded at the same time for medicine and research. Bringing out the best, talent and creative genius is the goal of the Campania®2019 Award, which this year has developed into a whole day, starting from the morning with street food and food route accompanied by the conference on innovation strategies for development. The 2019 edition was also characterized by the intense presence of Medicine. "The Campania Prize confirms itself as an event of national excellence—says President Donato Alfani— The slogan "the best deserve a" it represents the truth because all the winners have been selected on the basis of merit, skills and innovation in their own professional sectors".

A prize that grows and doubles confirming its capacity for aggregation and diffusion throughout the region, with the presence of more than 90 awards, selected by a jury of experts and a chairmanship committee composed of the directors of the Campania media.



Collects the prize, Paolo Ascierto, Franco Perrone, Gaetano Facchini



New Managing Director of the Institute

Dr. Leonardo Miscio is the new Managing Director of the Institute for Health Care since 1 January 2020. He graduated in medicine and surgery at the University of Bologna and specialized at the Catholic University of the Sacred Heart of Rome.

Prior to this appointment, Director Leonardo Miscio was, from 2017 to 2019, director of the Mater Dei Hospital in Bari, while from 1993 to 2017 he worked in San Giovanni Rotondo, in the House relief of suffering directing, in recent years, the complex structure of the clinical government of the Health Directorate. We met him at his workplace, smiling and hospitable. "I am honoured and proud– the director Leonardo Miscio– of this assignment begins. In Campania, the Institute is the regional centre of reference for the diagnosis and treatment of neoplastic diseases, recognized as the cancer center of polyspecialist reference (CORP) with diagnostic/stadiative, therapeutic and follow-up functions Oncology and Cancer Center of Multi-Specialist Reference to Scientific Character (CORPUS), to which are also attributed other specific functions in the cancer network of the Region. Today it is, in fact, an excellence at national and international level.

All this represents a responsibility for me, but also a stimulus". We leave his study with the awareness of seeing each other again within a few months for a first budget.



*The health director Leonardo Miscio
with the General Director Attilio Bianchi*

To Pascale inaugurated the first School in Italy for Training in Psycho-oncological Clinic



Marco Bellani, Leonardo Miscio, Gerardo Botti, Gabriella De Benedetta, Antonello Pinto.

The Italian Society of Psycho-Oncology (sipo) in collaboration with the National Cancer Institute of Naples - irccs - G. Pascale Foundation and the Italian Association of Medical Oncology (aiom), established at Pascale, for the biennium 2019-2021, the School of Training in Psycho-oncological Clinics. The School – says the Scientific Director, prof. Gerardo botti - has the purpose of giving the students a professional training suitable for the exercise of the clinical activity of psycho-Oncology (prevention, diagnosis, treatment and research) and to promote collaboration and integration of the different professions present in the field of oncology». «It is with pride – declared the Corporate Health Director, dr. Leonardo Miscio and Dr. Antonio Pinto, Director of the Department of Hematology of the Institute– that today the institute can have the first school in Italy of psycho-oncology».

The functional profile contributes to the acquisition and expression of highly specialized theoretical-practical, technical and scientific skills in order to be able to operate in the field of psycho-Oncology. The occupational outlets – says Marco bellani, President and Director of the School - are such for which the obtained title allows the enrolment to the list of psycho-oncologists accredited by sipo and the exercise of professional services of Psycho-oncology Clinic, both in the public and private-social sectors». The school's director is Gabriella De Benedetta, vice president and psycho-oncologist of the oncological haematology of irccs Pascale.

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