

Curriculum Vitae

Personal information **Fabrizio De Ponti**

Work experience

1. Employer: University of Bologna
 - Start date: Jan 2005
 - End date: current
 - Position: Full Professor of Pharmacology
 - Activities: • Dean of the School of Medicine (2015_2018) • Teaching of Pharmacology/Clinical Pharmacology (2005_present) • Coordinator of a Research Team (2005_present): clinical pharmacology, drug safety, pharmacoepidemiology, gastrointestinal pharmacology
 - Country: Italy
2. Employer: University of Bologna
 - Start date: Nov 1998
 - End date: Dec 2004
 - Position: Associate Professor of Pharmacology
 - Activities: Research (Pharmacology), Teaching
 - Country: Italy
3. Employer: University of Pavia
 - Start date: Nov 1991
 - End date: Oct 1998
 - Position: Assistant Professor
 - Activities: Research (Pharmacology), Teaching
 - Country: Italy
4. Employer: University of Turin
 - Start date: Feb 1986
 - End date: July 1990
 - Position: PhD Student
 - Activities: Research into Gastrointestinal Pharmacology
 - Country: Italy
5. Employer: Mayo Clinic, Rochester
 - Start date: March 1985
 - End date: Feb 1986
 - Position: Research Fellow
 - Activities: Research into Gastrointestinal Motility
 - Country: United States

Education and training

1. Further qualification: Degree in Pharmacy (cum laude, 2002), University of Pavia, Italy
2. Postgraduate medical training: Specialisation in Clinical Pharmacology (cum laude, 1994), University of Pavia, Italy
3. PhD in Pharmacology (1990), University of Turin, Italy
4. Validation of medical qualification in the USA: Foreign Medical Graduate Examination in the Medical Sciences (1985), Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates, United States
5. MD degree
 - Start date: 1977
 - End date: 1983
 - Qualification: MD degree (cum laude, 1983)
 - Organisation: University of Pavia
 - Country: Italy

Additional information

Publications

I have authored/coauthored **over 200 publications**;

h-index = **66** as of April 24, 2025 according to Google Scholar: [Link to Google Scholar publications](#)

citations approx. 14,300 since 1985; approx. 4,700 since 2020 (according to Google Scholar)

Listed among **Top Italian Scientists in Biomedical Sciences**:

https://topitalianscientists.org/tis/3814/Fabrizio_De_Ponti_-_Top_Italian_Scientist_in_Biomedical_Sciences

Areas of interest

Clinical Pharmacology: translating clinical research into clinical practice (appropriate use of medicines); pharmacoepidemiology; regulatory pharmacology; drug safety: drug-induced long QT syndrome, drug-induced liver injury

Basic Pharmacology: plasticity in the enteric nervous system; mechanisms in the drug-induced long QT syndrome

Projects

FP7 funded project (2010_2013): ARITMO (ID: 241679): Study of the arrhythmogenic potential of different

classes of medicines (<https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/241679>)

REGULATORY EXPERIENCE (assessment of marketing authorization applications for human medicinal products)

- Member of the Secretariat for Research and Clinical Trials, Italian Medicines Agency (AIFA, 2016-present)
- External Expert of the Board of Directors of the Italian Medicines Agency (2017-2018)
- Member of the Commission for Assessment and Authorization at AIFA (2010-2012)
- Member of the Commission for Mutual Recognition/Decentralized Procedures at AIFA (2005-2010)
- Member of the Working Group on Therapeutic Innovation (2006)
- Member of the Commission for Mutual Recognition Procedures at the Italian Ministry of Health (2001-2005)

European Medicines Agency (EMA): Expert appointed by the Italian Competent Authority (2000, 2017).

SCIENTIFIC EVALUATION OF RESEARCH PROPOSALS

- Scientific evaluation of projects proposed for EU funding to the European Commission (2007-2010)
- Other scientific evaluations:
 - Italian Ministry of Education
 - The Wellcome Trust (London, UK)
 - Agence National de la Recherche (France)
 - The Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development
 - National Centre for the Replacement, Refinement and Reduction of Animals in Research (NC3Rs, UK)
 - National Centre for Research and Development (Poland)
 - Austrian Science Fund
 - Ministry of Science and Technology of the Republic of Serbia
 - Italian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
 - The Eli and Edythe L. Broad Foundation (Los Angeles, CA, USA)

ETHICAL EVALUATION OF RESEARCH PROPOSALS

- Ethical evaluation of EU-funded projects for the European Commission (2015-present)

Review of clinical trials according to the European Directive / Regulation

- Independent Ethics Committee of the Area Vasta Emilia Nord - Italy (Member 2018-2023)
- Independent Ethics Committee of the Cremona-Mantova-Lodi Area, Italy (Member 2013-present)
- Independent Ethics Committee of the Piacenza Local Health Authority, Italy (Chair: 2013-2017)
- Independent Ethics Committee of the University Hospital, Bologna, Italy (Member 1999-2005; Chair 2005-2009)
- Independent Ethics Committee of the Hospital of the Province of Lodi, Lodi, Italy (Member: 1994-2013)

Other ethics reviews:

- Review of experimental protocols with animals according to the European Directive: Institutional Review Board for animal experiments - University of Bologna (2014-2021)
- Review of experimental protocols not related to the above fields (including social sciences and psychology): Institutional Board for ethical review of research projects - University of Bologna (2010-2016)

Memberships

- Mayo Alumni Association, Rochester, MN, U.S.A. (1986-present)
- Italian Pharmacological Society (SIF) (1988-present)
- Italian Group for the Study of Digestive Tract Motility (GISMAD) (1988-present)
- Italian Society of Gastroenterology (SIGE) (1989-2018)
- Functional Brain-Gut Research Group (U.S.A.) (1992-2018)
- Italian Association of Immunopharmacology (1992-2004)
- The Calcium Club (1993-2000)
- American Gastroenterological Association (AGA) (1993-2018)
- Italian Association for Laboratory Animal Sciences (AISAL) (1994-present)
- European Biomedical Research Association, Italian Section (1998-2012)
- Drug Utilization Research Group (2003-2009)
- British Pharmacological Society (2012-present)
- European Association for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics (2018-present)
- Association for Medical Education in Europe (2016-present)

Other Relevant Information

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Institutional web page (University of Bologna): <https://www.unibo.it/sitoweb/fabrizio.deponi/cv-en>

Associate Editor in Scientific Journals (2025):

- Pharmacology and Therapeutics
- Drug Safety
- BMC Pharmacology and Toxicology

Honorary Clinical Professor at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China (2018-2020)

I attended the 2nd International Awareness Session for International Regulators, Non-Governmental Organisations and Academia, 8 and 9 March 2018, European Medicines Agency, London

Proficiency in English: Cambridge Proficiency Examination (UK, grade A)

2024 recipient of the **EACPT Education Award for lifelong activities in Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics Education** (<https://eacpt.org/working-groups/education/education-awards/>)