

Curriculum vitae **Paola Allavena**

NAME Paola ALLAVENA
DATE of BIRTH April 24th, 1955
CITIZENSHIP Italian
POSITION Group Leader, Department of Immunology and Inflammation
Clinical and Research Institute Humanitas
tel. +39/02/82245112 - fax +39/02/82245101
E mail: paola.allavena@humanitasresearch.it

www.humanitas-research.org/category/principal-investigator/allavena

Paola Allavena, graduated at the Medical School of the University of Milan and received a PhD in Immunology and Allergology. Since 2005 she is at the Clinical and Research Institute Humanitas (Milano, Italy) and leads the Laboratory of Cellular Immunology. She has a long standing interest in the field of cancer research, tumor immunology, inflammation and chemokines. Her collaborative group actively contributed to understand the links between chronic inflammation and tumor progression, by studying in particular the expression of inflammatory mediators in the tumor microenvironment. A special focus of her scientific research is the role of Tumor-Associated Macrophages and strategies to target them in therapeutic settings.

Education

1980 M.D. Medical School, University of Milano
1984 Specialist in Allergology and Clinical Immunology, University of Milano

Research Experience

1981-1984 Fellow at the National Cancer Institute, NIH, Bethesda (MD) USA
Biological Therapeutics Branch supported by a fellowship from the Fogarty Center
1984-1986 Research Associate, Lab of Immunology, "Mario Negri" Institute, Milano
1987- 2005 Chief, Laboratory Cellular Immunology, "Mario Negri" Institute, Milano
2005 to date Group Leader, Laboratory Cellular Immunology, Clinical and Research Institute Humanitas

Fields of Interest :

Paola Allavena has a long-standing interest in the biology of tumors and in the relationship between cancer and inflammation. The main research lines relate to the interaction between innate immune cells, in particular tumor-associated macrophages (TAM) and cancer cells.

Teaching Experience

2014-present Contract Professor at the Humanitas University - Rozzano Milano
2010 to date Coordinator of the Doctoral Programme of Immunology and Immunopathology at ICH in collaboration with the Open University, Milton Keynes, UK
2009-2013 Partner of the "Advanced Teaching and TRaining for Adoptive Cell Therapy" Initial Training Network funded by the European Commission FP7. (CTR. 238778)
2009-2015 Partner of the "Structured International Post Doc program" (SIPOD) co-funded by the European Commission FP7. (CTR. 600399)

Scientific Publications in peer reviewed journals

Paola Allavena is author of 229 PubMed-listed publications with H index 72 at March 2016.

Highly cited papers: 36 articles received more than 200 citations.

Top cited articles: Cancer Cell, 132 cits; Nature 2008, 3550 citations; Trends in Immunology 2004, 1917 cits;

Trends in Immunology 2002, 1886 cits; J.Exp.Med 1998, 1870 cits; J. Immunol 2000, 1071 cits; Carcinogenesis 2009, 758 cits; Eur.J.Cancer 2006, 597 cits; J.Immunol 1998, 590 cits.