



Verna Marta

WORK EXPERIENCE

16/12/2024 – CURRENT – Monza, Italy

SENIOR PAEDIATRICIAN – PEDIATRIC HEMATOLOGY AND BONE MARROW TRANSPLANT UNIT, IRCCS SAN GERARDO DEI TINTORI

15/10/2013 – 16/12/2024 – Monza, Italy

SENIOR PAEDIATRICIAN – PEDIATRIC HEMATOLOGY AND BONE MARROW TRANSPLANT UNIT, FONDAZIONE MBBM

2023 – CURRENT – Mosul, Iraq

PROJECT LEADER IN INTERNATIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM – AVSI PEOPLE FOR DEVELOPMENT

Start up of the first paediatric haematopoietic stem cell transplant unit

2018 – 2022 – Asuncion, Paraguay

PROJECT LEADER IN INTERNATIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM – MY CHILD MATTERS GRANT

Start up of the first paediatric haematopoietic stem cell transplant unit

2017 – 2022 – Asuncion (Paraguay), Sulaymaniyah (Iraq), Ciudad de Guatemala (Guatemala)

PROJECT MANAGER IN INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS – ERASMUS PLUS - EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

Education and training on paediatric haematopoietic stem cell transplant activity

2014 – 2018 – Sulaymaniyah, Iraq

PROJECT MANAGER IN INTERNATIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM – ITALIAN MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Start-up of the first haematopoietic stem cell transplant unit

2006 – 2015 – Roma, Italy

EUROPEAN EXPERT – EMA (EUROPEAN MEDICINES AGENCY)

Paediatric Investigation Plan evaluation

03/2009 – 09/2013 – Parma, Italy

SENIOR PAEDIATRICIAN – PEDIATRIC HEMATOLOGY AND ONCOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF PARMA

Oncology and haematology

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

10/2014 – 10/2016

MASTER'S DEGREE – Tor Vergata University

European master on paediatric medicines development and evaluation

01/2013 – 12/2014
MASTER'S DEGREE – Sapienza University, Roma

Master in paediatric oncology

09/2003 – 10/2008
POST-GRADUATE DEGREE IN PEDIATRICS – Parma University

09/1997 – 07/2003
DEGREE IN MEDICINE – Parma University

● **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Mother tongue(s): **ITALIAN**

Other language(s):

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
Listening		Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
ENGLISH				
B2		B2	B2	B2
SPANISH	B1	B1	A2	B1
				A2

● **DIGITAL SKILLS**

Microsoft Word Microsoft Excel Power Point

● **PUBLICATIONS**

1. Castelli M, Micò MC, Grassi A, Algarotti A, Lussana F, Finazzi MC, Rambaldi B, Pavoni C, Rizzuto G, Tebaldi P, Vendemini F, Verna M, Bonanomi S, Biondi A, Balduzzi A, Rambaldi A, Gotti G. Safety and efficacy of narsoplimab in pediatric and adult patients with transplant-associated thrombotic microangiopathy: a real-world experience. Bone Marrow Transplant. 2024 Aug;59(8):1161-1168. doi: 10.1038/s41409-024-02305-3. Epub 2024 May 21. PMID: 38773280; PMCID: PMC11296948.
2. Verna M, Canesi M, Conter V, Faulkner L, Rovelli AM, Silvestri D, Majolino I, Biondi A, Nawfal Abdullah C, Faeq Mohammed V. A Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation Startup in Iraqi Kurdistan: Results in Thalassemia Patients and Analysis of the Methodology. Transplant Cell Ther. 2023 May;29(5):329.e1-329.e7. doi: 10.1016/j.jtct.2023.01.018. Epub 2023 Jan 20. PMID: 36690277.
3. Carpenter PA, Kang HJ, Yoo KH, Zecca M, Cho B, Lucchini G, Nemecek ER, Schultz KR, Stepensky P, Chaudhury S, Oshrine B, Khaw SL, Harris AC, Verna M, Zubarovskaya L, Lee Y, Wahlstrom J, Styles L, Shaw PJ, Dalle JH. Ibrutinib Treatment of Pediatric Chronic Graft-versus-Host Disease: Primary Results from the Phase 1/2 iMAGINE Study. Transplant Cell Ther. 2022 Nov;28(11):771.e1-771.e10. doi: 10.1016/j.jtct.2022.08.021. Epub 2022 Aug 28. PMID: 36044977.
4. Brivio E, Cossio A, Borra D, Silvestri D, Prunotto G, Colombini A, Verna M, Rizzari C, Biondi A, Conter V, Valsecchi MG, Balduzzi A. Osteonecrosis in paediatric acute lymphoblastic leukaemia: Incidence, risk factors, radiological patterns and evolution in a single-centre cohort. Br J Haematol. 2022 Jun;197(5):602-608. doi: 10.1111/bjh.18147. Epub 2022 Apr 1. PMID: 35362095; PMCID: PMC9323502.
5. Svec P, Elfeky R, Galimard JE, Higham CS, Dalissier A, Quigg TC, Bueno Sanchez D, Han Lum S, Faraci

- M, Cole T, Pichler H, Benítez-Carabante MI, Horakova J, Gonzalez-Vicent M, Yanir A, Fagioli F, Wölfl M, von der Weid N, Protheroe R, Krivan G, Speckmann C, James B, Avcin SL, Bertrand Y, Verna M, Riha P, Patrick K, Cesaro S, Kalwak K, Bierings M, Büchner J, Mellgren K, Prohászka Z, Neven B, Lankester A, Corbacioglu S. Use of ecilizumab in children with allogeneic haematopoietic stem cell transplantation associated thrombotic microangiopathy - a multicentre retrospective PDWP and IEWP EBMT study. *Bone Marrow Transplant.* 2023 Feb;58(2):129-141. doi: 10.1038/s41409-022-01852-x. Epub 2022 Nov 4. PMID: 36333550.
6. Rodrigues EM, Ardissino G, Pintarelli G, Capone V, Mariotti J, Verna M, Bernardo ME, Faraci M, Tozzi M, Bucalossi A, Schiavello E, Biassoni V, Guidetti A, Carotti A, Facchini L, Terruzzi E, Giglio F, Zecca M, Onida F, Caroti L, Cesaro S, Consonni D, Cugno M, Porcaro L. Gene Abnormalities in Transplant Associated-Thrombotic Microangiopathy: Comparison between Recipient and Donor's DNA. *Thromb Haemost.* 2022 Jul;122(7):1247-1250. doi: 10.1055/s-0041-1740498. Epub 2021 Dec 29. PMID: 34965590.
 7. Perruccio K, Menconi M, Galaverna F, Pagliara D, Carraro F, Fagioli F, Calore E, Biffi A, Baretta V, Massei MS, Capolsini I, Faraci M, Verna M, Soncini E, Caniglia M, Locatelli F, Cesaro S; AIEOP Infectious Disease and Stem Cell Transplantation Working Parties. Safety and efficacy of brincidofovir for Adenovirus infection in children receiving allogeneic stem cell transplantation: an AIEOP retrospective analysis. *Bone Marrow Transplant.* 2021 Dec;56(12):3104-3107. doi: 10.1038/s41409-021-01285-y. Epub 2021 Oct 4. PMID: 34608274.
 8. Faulkner L, Verna M, Rovelli A, Agarwal RK, Dhanya R, Parmar L, Sedai A, Kumari A, Ramprakash S, Raghuram CP, Mehta P, Elizabeth S, Khalid S, Batool A, Ghilani SK, Fatima I, Zara T, Marwah P, Soni R, Trivedi D, Conter V, Canesi M, Othman D, Faeq V, Kleinschmidt K, Yesillipek A, Lam CG, Howard SC, Corbacioglu S; Pediatric Diseases Working Party of the European Blood and Marrow Transplantation Group. Setting up and sustaining blood and marrow transplant services for children in middle-income economies: an experience-driven position paper on behalf of the EBMT PDWP. *Bone Marrow Transplant.* 2021 Mar;56(3):536-543. doi: 10.1038/s41409-020-0983-5. Epub 2020 Sep 7. PMID: 32893265; PMCID: PMC7943417.
 9. González-Vicent M, Verna M, Pochon C, Chandak A, Vainorius E, Brundage T, Mozaffari E, Nichols G, Rao K. Current practices in the management of adenovirus infection in allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplant recipients in Europe: The AdVance study. *Eur J Haematol.* 2019 Mar;102(3):210-217. doi: 10.1111/ejh.13194. Epub 2019 Jan 11. PMID: 30418684; PMCID: PMC6850370.
 10. Brivio E, Verna M, Migliorino GM, Foresti S, Zucchini N, Rovelli A. Isavuconazole-induced Acute Liver Failure in a Pediatric Patient With Invasive Aspergillosis. *Pediatr Infect Dis J.* 2019 Oct;38(10):1035-1037. doi:10.1097/INF.0000000000002418. PMID: 31568141.
 11. Peri AM, Verna M, Biffi S, Alagna L, Longhi B, Migliorino GM, Foresti S, Bandera A, Rovelli A, Rizzari C, Gori A, Colombini A. Combination Antifungal Therapy for Invasive Mold Infections Among Pediatric Patients with Hematological Malignancies: Data from A Real-Life Case-Series. *Pathog Immun.* 2019 Sep 5;4(2):180-194. doi: 10.20411/pai.v4i2.299. PMID: 31538132; PMCID: PMC6742350.
 12. Michelozzi IM, Pievani A, Pagni F, Antolini L, Verna M, Corti P, Rovelli A, Riminucci M, Dazzi F, Biondi A, Serafini M. Human aplastic anaemia-derived mesenchymal stromal cells form functional haematopoietic stem cell niche in vivo. *Br J Haematol.* 2017 Nov;179(4):669-673. doi: 10.1111/bjh.14234. Epub 2016 Aug 2. PMID: 27480905.
 13. Majolino I, Mohammed D, Hassan D, Ipsevich F, Abdullah C, Mohammed R, Palmas A, Possenti M, Noori D, Ali D, Kareem H, Salih S, Vacca M, Del Fante C, Ostuni A, Frigato A, Massei MS, Manna A, Vasta S, Gabriel M, Verna M, Rovelli A, Conter V, Ali K, Othman D. Initial Results of Peripheral-Blood Stem-Cell Mobilisation, Collection, Cryopreservation, and Engraftment After Autologous Transplantation Confirm That the Capacity-Building Approach Offers Good Chances of Success in Critical Contexts: A Kurdish-Italian Cooperative Project at the Hiwa Cancer Hospital, Sulaymaniyah. *J Glob Oncol.* 2018 Sep;4(4):1-8. doi: 10.1200/JGO.17.00101. Epub 2017 Dec 15. PMID: 29244631; PMCID: PMC6180781.
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 15. Majolino I, Othman D, Rovelli A, Hassan D, Rasool L, Vacca M, Abdalrahman N, Abdullah C, Ahmed Z, Ali D, Ali K, Broggi C, Calabretta C, Canesi M, Ciabatti G, Del Fante C, De Sapio E, Dore G, Frigato A, Gabriel M, Ipsevich F, Kareem H, Karim D, Leone R, Mahmood T, Manna A, Massei MS, Mastria A, Mohammed D, Mohammed R, Najmaddin K, Noori D, Ostuni A, Palmas A, Possenti M, Qadir A, Real G,

- Shrif R, Valdatta C, Vasta S, Verna M, Vittori M, Yousif A, Zallio F, Calisti A, Quattrocchi S, Girmenia C. The Start-Up of the first Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation Center in the Iraqi Kurdistan: a Capacity-Building Cooperative Project by the Hiwa Cancer Hospital, Sulaymaniyah, and the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation: an Innovative Approach. *Mediterr J Hematol Infect Dis*. 2017 Apr 15;9(1):e2017031. doi: 10.4084/MJHID.2017.031. PMID: 28512560; PMCID:PMC5419198.
16. Foresti S, Di Bella S, Rovelli A, Sala A, Verna M, Bisi L, Nisii C, Gori A. Tigecycline Lock Therapy for Catheter-Related Bloodstream Infection Caused by KPC-Producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae* in Two Pediatric Hematological Patients. *Antimicrob Agents Chemother*. 2015 Dec;59(12):7919-20. doi: 10.1128/AAC.01855-15. Epub 2015 Oct 12. PMID: 26459892; PMCID: PMC4649240.
17. Vanelli M, Virdis R, Contini S, Corradi M, Cremonini G, Marchesi M, Mele A, Monti F, Pagano B, Proietti I, Savina F, Verna M, Vitale R, Zanzucchi M, Brighenti F, Vittadini E, Del Rio D, Scazzina F, Porcu A. A hand-made supplementary food for malnourished children. *Acta Biomed*. 2014 Dec 17;85(3):236-42. PMID: 25567460.
18. Dodi I, Raggi V, Verna M, Tchana B, Vignali D, Bandello MA, Lacava S, Izzi GC, Agnetti A. Atypical Kawasaki disease with coronary aneurysm in infants. *Ital J Pediatr*. 2011 Apr 17;37:19. doi: 10.1186/1824-7288-37-19. PMID: 21496328; PMCID: PMC3102615.
19. Vottero A, Pedori S, Verna M, Pagano B, Cappa M, Loche S, Bernasconi S, Ghizzoni L. Final height in girls with central idiopathic precocious puberty treated with gonadotropin-releasing hormone analog and oxandrolone. *J Clin Endocrinol Metab*. 2006 Apr;91(4):1284-7. doi: 10.1210/jc.2005-1693. Epub 2006 Jan 31. PMID: 16449342.
20. Pelizzi M, Verna M, Vanelli M. A case report of visceral leishmaniasis in the Tharaka District, Kenya. *Acta Biomed*. 2006 Aug;77(2):103-5. PMID: 17172190.

● NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- SIP (Società Italiana di Pediatria)
- GITMO (Gruppo Italiano Trapianto Midollo Osseo)
- AIEOP (Associazione Italiana Emato-Oncologia Pediatrica)
- EBMT (European society for Blood and Marrow Transplantation)

● EXPERTISE

Paediatric oncology and haematology
Paediatric stem cell transplantation
Paediatric infectious disease
Paediatric first aid
Paediatric drug and clinical trial development
Capacity building project in low middle income countries

● CERTIFICATIONS

Certifications

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