

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Sex Male | Date of birth 07/01/1966 | Nationality Italian

POSIZIONE ATTUALE

Professore Ordinario di Malattie dell'apparato visivo

Direttore della Clinica Oculistica, Università di Genova
Facente Funzione della Divisione di oculistica dell'Ospedale
Policlinico San Martino di Genova
Direttore della scuola di specializzazione di Oftalmologia
Coordinatore del Corso di Ortottica
Direttore della banca degli occhi Melvin Jones ETS

Esperienze di lavoro

[Add separate entries for each experience. Start from the most recent.]

2000-2002	Dirigente medico di primo livello, Istituto G Gaslini, Genova
2002-2006	Dirigente medico di primo livello , Ospedale Policlinico San Martino, Genova
2006-2023	Professore Associato di oftalmologia, Università di Genova, DiNOGMI
Since Nov 2023	Professore Ordinario di Oftalmologia
Since 2012	Membro della dottorato di ricerca in medicina sperimentale
Since 2002	Professore presso l'Università di Genova
Since 2018	Docente presso la Scuola Europea di studi avanzati in Oftalmologia, Lugano, CH

EDUCAZIONE E FORMAZIONE

[Add separate entries for each course. Start from the most recent.]

1984-1990	Medical Degree
1990-1994	Residency in Ophthalmology, University of Genoa, Italy
1995-1996	Post-doctoral fellowship in Glaucoma, UBC, Vancouver, BC, Canada
1996-1997	Post-doctoral fellowship in Neuro-oftalmologia, UBC, Vancouver, BC, Canada
1998-2000	Research Fellowship, Jules Gonin, University of Lausanne, CH
2004-2006	PhD, University of Genoa, Italy
Jul-Aug 2011	Research Fellowship, UPMC, Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Replace with
European
Qualification
Framework (or other)
level if relevant

CAPACITÀ PERSONALI

Mother tongue(s) Italian

Other language(s)

UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
Good level	Good level	Good level	Good level	Good level

Communication skills

Good communication skills gained through my experience as opinion leader in eye imaging, perimetry, optic nerve disease, structure-function relationship.

Organisational / managerial skills

Past president of the Italian glaucoma register
Past president of the North-west ophthalmological society
President of the Italian Perimetry and Imaging Society

Job-related skills

Responsible for quality audit for the Hospital eye clinic
Responsible for quality audit for the Orthoptics

Computer skills

Good command of Microsoft Office™ tools, SPSS, Acrobat,

Other skills

▪ Running, volleyball, windsurf, wingsurf

Driving licence

Driving licence category: B
Sailing licence category: Beyond 6 miles

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Publications
Presentations
Projects
Conferences
Seminars
Honours and awards
Memberships
References

Author of 449 publications or abstracts, among these 160 publications with IF

Here are the last 10 relevant publications:

- Ferrandez B, Ferreras A, Calvo P, Abadia B, Fogagnolo P, Wang YW, Marin JM, Iester M. Retinal sensitivity is reduced in patients with obstructive sleep apnea. Invest Ophthalmol Vis Sci 2014;55:7119-25. DOI:10.1167/iov.14-143.
- Iester MM, Wollstein G, Bilonick RA, Xu J, Ishikawa H, Kagemann L, Schuman JS. Agreement among graders on Heidelberg retina tomograph (HRT) topographic change analysis (TCA) glaucoma progression interpretation. Br J Ophthalmol. 2015 Apr;99(4):519-23.
- Rossetti L, Iester M, Tranchina L, Ottobelli L, Coco G, Calcatelli E, Ancona C, Cirafici P, Manni G. Can Treatment With Citicoline Eyedrops Reduce Progression in Glaucoma? The Results of a Randomized Placebo-controlled Clinical Trial. J Glaucoma. 2020 Jul;29(7):513-520. doi: 10.1097/IJG.0000000000001565.PMID: 32541370
- Cappelli F, Caudano F, Marengo M, Testa V, Masala A, Sindaco D, Macri A, Traverso CE, Iester M, Ricciarelli R. Evaluating the Correlation between Alzheimer's Amyloid- β Peptides and Glaucoma in Human Aqueous Humor. Transl Vis Sci Technol. 2020 Apr 25;9(5):21. doi: 10.1167/tvst.9.5.21. eCollection 2020 Apr.PMID: 32821493
- Cirafici P, Maiello G, Ancona C, Masala A, Traverso CE, Iester M. Point-wise correlations between 10-2 Humphrey visual field and OCT data in open angle glaucoma. Eye (Lond). 2021;35:868-876. doi: 10.1038/s41433-020-0989-7.
- Testa V, De Santis N, Scotto R, Pastorino CE, Cellerino M, Olivari S, Morlacchi AJ, Inglese M, Uccelli A, Traverso CE, Iester M. Neuroaxonal Degeneration in Patients With Multiple Sclerosis: An Optical Coherence Tomography and in Vivo Corneal Confocal Microscopy Study. Cornea. 2020 Oct;39(10):1221-1226. doi:10.1097/ICO.0000000000002396. PMID: 32732697
- Testa V, De Santis N, Scotto R, Della Giustina P, Ferro Desideri L, Cellerino M, Cordano C, Inglese M, Uccelli A, Vagge A, Traverso E, Iester M. Corneal epithelial dendritic cells in patients with multiple sclerosis: an in vivo confocal microscopy study. J Clin Neurosci 2020;81:139-143
- Gazzard G, Kolko M, Iester M, Crabb DP on behalf of the educational club of ocular surface and glaucoma (ECOS-G) members. A scoping review of quality of life questionnaires in glaucoma patients. J Glaucoma 2021;30(8):732-743.
- Congdon N, Azuara-Blanco A, Solberg Y, Traverso CE, Iester M, Cutolo CA, Bagnis A, Aung T, Fudenberg SJ, Lindstrom R, Samuelson T, Singh K, Blumenthal EZ, Gazzard G, on behalf of GLAUrious study group. Direct selective laser trabeculoplasty in open angle glaucoma study design: a multicentre, randomized, controlled, investigator-masked trial (GLAUrious). Br J Ophthalmol 2021;aug 25:bjophthalmol-2021-319379. Doi: 10.1136/bjophthalmol-2021-319379.
- Cappelli F, Cutolo CA, Olivari S, Testa V, Sindaco D, Pizzomo C, Ciccione S, Traverso CE, Iester M. Trabeculectomy versus Xen gel implant for the treatment of open-angle glaucoma: a 3-year retrospective analysis. BMJ Open Ophthalmology 2022;7:e000830. doi:10.1136/bmjophth-2021-000830.

Honours and awards

March 93: International Research Program of Baush & Lomb.
November 93: Società Italiana di Oftalmologia, best semeiotic paper
1995 grant for a postdoctoral fellowship: Canada
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November 96: Società Italiana di Oftalmologia, best semeiotic paper
November 97: Società Italiana di Oftalmologia, best project
February 98: National selection for the International Chibret Award
November 98: Società Italiana di Oftalmologia, research grant for Lousanne
January 2000: National selection award: European Chibret Award
November 2000: Società Italiana di Oftalmologia, best semeiotic paper
November 2001: Società Italiana di Oftalmologia, best semeiotic paper
November 2002: Società Italiana di Oftalmologia: Research project, first position
November 2007: Società Italiana di Oftalmologia: Research project, third position
October 2009: Prof. Grignolo award for the best paper in the meeting (SONO 2009)
October 2014: Prof. Boles Carenini award for the best glaucoma paper in the meeting (SONO 2014)
November 2016: Società Italiana di Oftalmologia: Research project, second position
November 2017: Società Italiana di Oftalmologia: Research project, first position
October 2023: Zingirian Lecture

Reviewer of national and international grants

- 2023 - Grant review for Health and Medical Research Fund under The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR)
- 2022 - Grant review for Health and Medical Research Fund under The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR)
- 2020 - Grant review for Health and Medical Research Fund under The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR)
- 2018 - Grant review for Health and Medical Research Fund under The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR)
- 2014 - Grant review for Health and Medical Research Fund under The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR)
- 2011 - Swiss National Science Foundation: request for an expertise
- 2011 - Uit Zicht
- 2008 – Prin

Brief Summary of Relevant Clinical Research Experience:

date	trial	phase	indication
2001	Mementin	III	Ophthalmology
2003	Xalacom vs Cosopt	IV	Ophthalmology
2005	Multiple Sclerosis Novartis	II-III	Neurology
2009	Multiple Sclerosis Actelion	III	Neurology
2008	Citicolina –Neukron Ofta	VI	Ophthalmology
2012	Alzheimer Rilapladib	III	Neurology
2013	Multiple sclerosis Teva	III	Neurology
2013	Alzheimer Roche	III	Neurology
2015	Allergan Bimatoprost SR	III	Ophthalmology
2015	Aerie Pharmaceutical Mercury	III	Ophthalmology
2015	Citicolina coll – OMK1	VI	Ophthalmology
2016	H2020	I	Ophthalmology
2017	LT4032-301THÉA	III	Ophthalmology
2017	LEVODESA_04-2017	III	Ophthalmology
2022	Latanoprost	IV	Ophthalmology
2024	Iridium gel	IV	Ophthalmology
2024	OMK1 Europeo	IV	Ophthalmology
2024	Bimatoprost	IV	Ophthalmology

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Genova, 13/06/2025

Prof. Michele Iester, MD, PhD