

CURRICULUM VITAE of Dr. GIOVANNI FERRARI, MD

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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SPECIALITIES AND CERTIFICATES

June 2015: European Certificate as Paediatric Allergist (EAACI)
June 2012: Specialist in Allergology and Clinical Immunology (FMH)
June 2010: European Certificate of Excellence in Allergology and Clinical Immunology (EAACI)
June 2008: Specialist in Paediatrics (FMH)

PRESENT JOB AND POSITION

01.12.2020 – today: Allergist (head and owner) at Studio Medico Allergocentro, Private Medical Practice, Via Giovanni Nizzola 2, 6900 Lugano, Switzerland

PAST JOBS AND POSITIONS

01.07.2012 – 31.12.2023: Head of the Allergy Unit, Department of Dermatology, Regional Hospital of Bellinzona e Valli, 6500 Bellinzona, Switzerland
01.07.2012 – 31.03.2016: Head of the Paediatric Allergy Unit, Department of Paediatrics, Regional Hospital of Lugano, 6900 Lugano, Switzerland
01.04.2016 – 30.11.2020: Allergist at Studio Pneumo-Allergologia, Private Medical Practice, Corso Pestalozzi 11, 6900 Lugano, Switzerland
01.09.2020 – 30.06.2024: Teacher at Medical Master School, Università della Svizzera Italiana, 6900 Lugano, Switzerland

EDUCATION

1995 – 2002: University of Zürich: Diploma of Medical Doctor
1991 – 1995: High school of Bellinzona: Matura Type C
1982 – 1991: Primary and secondary schools in Camorino and Giubiasco

TRAINING IN ALLERGOLOGY AND CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY

01.12.2011 – 30.06.2012: Department of Dermatology, Regional Hospital of Bellinzona e Valli
Head Dr. Carlo Mainetti
01.10.2008 – 30.09.2010: Allergy Unit, Department of Dermatology, University Hospital of Zurich
Head Prof. Peter Schmid-Grendelmeier

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

01.10.2010 – 30.09.2011:

School of Paediatrics and Child Health, The University of Western Australia at Princess Margaret Hospital for Children, Perth, Australia, Head Prof. Peter LeSouëf

Theme of the research:

Interaction of allergies and human rhinovirus infections in precipitating severe viral acute lower respiratory infections in children.

Founding:

Foundation Ettore Balli (Bellinzona) & Dr. Pierluigi Crivelli (Lugano)

TRAINING IN PAEDIATRICS

01.05.2008 – 30.06.2008:

Department of Paediatrics, Kantonsspital Baden, Head Dr. Markus Wopmann

01.04.2005 – 30.04.2008:

Children's Clinic, Kantonsspital Aarau, Head Prof. Hanspeter Gnehm

01.01.2004 – 31.12.2004:

Department of Internal Medicine, Regional Hospital of Bellinzona e Valli, Heads Prof. Claudio Marone and Prof. Augusto Gallino

01.01.2003 – 31.12.2003:

Department of Paediatrics, Regional Hospital of Locarno, Head Dr. Luca Buetti

AWARD

June 2007:

Prize PIA-GSK 2007 (Working Group for Paediatrics Immunology and Allergy and GlaxoSmithKline) for the research "IgE-mediated Food Allergies in Swiss Infants and Children".

THESE

Head:

Prof. Philippe Gertsch, Head of the Surgery's Department, Regional Hospital of Bellinzona

Theme:

Formula to Predict the Total Liver Volume in Adults from Body Surface Area and Body Weight

March 2008:

Promotion at the University of Berne

LANGUAGES

Italian:

Mother language

English:

Good written and oral skills

German:

Good written and oral skills

French:

Good written and oral skills

MEMBERSHIPS

- FMH - Federatio Medicorum Helveticorum
- OMCT - Ordine dei Medici del Cantone Ticino
- EAACI - European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology
- SSAI - Swiss Society of Allergology and clinical Immunology – Member of CCS from 2024
- STAI - Società Ticinese di Allergologia e Immunologia – President of the Society 2022 – 2025
- PIA-CH - Swiss Group of Paediatric Allergist and Immunologist
- SSP - Swiss Society of Paediatrics
- APSI - Associazione dei Pediatri della Svizzera Italiana
- CML - Circolo Medico del Luganese

SCIENTIFIC WORKS

Original articles published on journals indexed in Pubmed:

- Peter Eng, Giovanni Ferrari, Oliver Fuchs et al. Kinder mit Atemwegsallergien – Empfehlungen zur Immuntherapie. Swiss Medical Forum 2023; 23 (36): 1282-1285.
- Peter Schmid-Grendelmeier, Barbara Ballmer-Weber, Andreas Bircher, Jörg Faeh, Giovanni Ferrari, Jürgen Grabbe, Arthur Helbling, Oliver Hausmann, Lukas Jörg, di Lucca, Martin Pletscher, Jörg Seebach, Dagmar Simon, François Spertini, Nikhil Yawalkar. Swiss Expert Opinion on Treatment of Chronic Spontaneous Urticaria. Rev med Suisse 2016.
- Dagmar Simon, Peter A. Eng, Siegfried Borelli, Roland Kägi, Christian Zimmermann, Catherine Zahner, Jürgen Drewe, Lorenzo Hess, Giovanni Ferrari, Stephan Lautenschlager, Brunello Wüthrich, Peter Schmid-Grendelmeier. Gamma-Linolenic Acid Levels Correlate with Clinical Efficacy of Evening Primrose Oil in Patients with Atopic Dermatitis. Adv Ther 2014; doi 10.1007/s12325-014-0093-0.
- Cox DW, Bizzantino J, Ferrari G, Khoo SK, Zhang G, Whelan S, Lee WM, Bochkov YA, Geelhoed GC, Goldblatt J, Gern JE, Laing IA, Le Souëf PN. HRV-C Infection in Young Children with Acute Wheeze is Associated with Increased Acute Respiratory Hospital Admissions. Am J Respir Crit Care Med 2013; doi: 10.1164/rccm.201303-0498OC.
- Schuler S, Ferrari G, Schmid-Grendelmeier P and Harr T. Microarray-based component-resolved diagnosis of latex allergy: isolated IgE-mediated sensitization to latexprofilin Hev b8 may act as confounder. Clinical and Translational Allergy 2013; 3: 11, doi: 10.1186/2045-7022-3-11.
- Ferrari G, Eng PA. Nahrungsmittelallergien im Vorschulalter: aktueller Stand der Diagnostik und Therapie. Ther Umsch 2012; 69 (4): 219-24, doi: 10.1024/0040-5930/a000277.
- Ferrari G, Eng PA. IgE-mediated Food Allergies in Swiss Infants and Children. Swiss Med Wkly 2011; 141: w13269; doi: 10.4414/smw.2011.13269.
- Vauthey JN, Abdalla EK, Doherty DA, Gertsch P, Ferrari G et al. Body Surface Area and Body Weight Predict Total Liver Volume in Western Adults. Liver Transpl 2002; 8: 233-40, doi: 10.1053/jlts.2002.31654.

Original articles published on Medical Magazines:

- Ferrari G, Eng PA. Allergien auf Bienen- und Wespengift. Welche Kinder abklären, welche Notfall-Medikamente, wann Immuntherapie? Zeitschrift für Praxispädiatrie 2012; 2: 21-5.
- Ferrari G. Fragen zu Fachleute: Impfung und Allergie. Aha!news 2010; 1: 34.
- Ferrari G, Mura M, Eng PA. Neurodermitis: der Einfluss der Ernährung. Ars Medici 2010; 5: 193-8.
- Ferrari G, Eng PA. Nicht jede Sensibilisierung bedeutet Allergie: Nahrungsmittelallergien im Kindesalter. Dermatologie Praxis 2010; 2: 4-7.
- Ferrari G, Mura M, Eng PA. Neurodermitis: der Einfluss der Ernährung. Schweizerische Zeitschrift für Ernährungsmedizin 2008; 3: 13-7.

LECTURES AT UNIVERSITIES

- Lecture on “Respiratory Tract Hypersensitivity”, Università della Svizzera Italiana, Medical Master School, Lugano, 2021 – 2023
- Lecture on “Gastrointestinal Tract Hypersensitivity”, Università della Svizzera Italiana, Medical Master School, Lugano, 2021 – 2023
- Lecture on “Allergic diseases”, Princess Margaret Hospital for Children, Diploma in Child Health, Perth, Australia, September 21st, 2011.

ACTIVITIES AT CONGRESSES

Invited Talks:

- Invited talk on “Specific immunotherapy”. SGD Virtual Congress 2021, Bern, Switzerland, March 18th, 2021.
- Invited talk on “Update on immunotherapy in Childhood”. AIU Virtual Congress 2021, Bern, Switzerland, January 30th, 2021.
- Invited talk on “Allergy Management of School Age Children – Practical Update”. SSP Annual Congress 2019, Bellinzona, Switzerland, June 7th, 2019.
- Workshop on “Interactive discussion of case reports”, International Molecular Allergy Meeting 2018, Zurich, Switzerland, April 21st, 2018.
- Invited talk on “Future of Omalizumab in treatment of Severe Allergic Asthma”, SSAI Annual Congress 2017, San Gallen, Switzerland, June 1st, 2017.
- Invited talk on “Allergiediagnostik- und Therapie: Was gibt es Neues?”, Tagung der Luzerner Allergologen und klinischen Immunologen, Lucerne, March 17th, 2016.

- Invited talk on “Food intolerances in childhood – practical approach”, AIU Congress 2016, Grindelwald, Switzerland, February 6th, 2016.
- Invited talk on “ISAC – clinical experiences”, ImmunoDay 2014, Lausanne, Switzerland, December 4th 2014.
- Invited talk on “Atopic Dermatitis in children”, Zürcher Dermatologische Fortbildungstage, Zürich, Switzerland, June 13th, 2013.
- Invited talk on “Bee and wasp venom allergy – a Swiss perspective”, ASCIA Annual Congress Western Australia Immunology Day 2011, Perth, Australia, July 2nd, 2011.

Posters:

- Rabuffetti A, Mainetti C, Ferrari G. Dupilumab treatment for severe atopic dermatitis: South Switzerland experience. SSAI Annual Congress 2019, Lugano, Switzerland, September 7th 2019.
- Casgnola L, Garzoni L, Ferrari G, Gualco G. A not so common case of shock. SSP Annual Congress 2019, Bellinzona, Switzerland, June 7th 2019.
- Pelloni L, Mainetti C, Beltraminelli H, Ferrari G. Successful treatment of normocomplementemic urticarial vasculitis with IL-1 receptor antagonist Anakinra: a case report. SAM 2017, Zurich, Switzerland.
- Ferrari G, Bizzintino J, Cox DW, Laing IA, Schmid-Grendelmeier P and Le Souëf PN. HRV-C infection is associated with higher sensitisations to aeroallergens in infants and children as determined by allergen biochip. Annual Meeting of the European Association of Allergy and Clinical Immunology 2013, Milan, Italy.
- Desmond W. Cox, Siew-Kim Khoo, Joeline Bizzintino, Giovanni Ferrari, Guicheng Zhang, Wai-Ming Lee, Yury A. Bochkov, Gary C. Geelhoed, James Gern, Jack Goldblatt, Ingrid A. Laing, Peter N. Le Souef. Young Children Presenting To An Emergency Department With An Acute Lower Respiratory Illness Due To Human Rhinovirus Have Increased Respiratory Admissions To Hospital. American Thoracic Society 2012, International Conference, San Francisco (California, USA).
- Ferrari G, Eng PA. IgE-mediated Food Allergies in Swiss Infants and Children. World Allergy Congress 2007, Bangkok, Thailand.
- Ferrari G, Eng PA. IgE-mediated Food Allergies in Swiss Infants and Children. European Association of Allergy and Clinical Immunology 2007, Göteborg (Sweden).
- G Ferrari, R Vandoni, G Galeazzi, Ph Gertsch. Prediction of standard hepatic volume: formula using morphometric criteria in a Caucasian population. International Association of Surgeons and Gastroenterologists 2001 in Heraklion (Crete). *Published on Hepatogastroenterology 2001; Vol. 48, Suppl. 1.*
- G Ferrari, R Vandoni, G Galeazzi, Ph Gertsch. Formule prédictive du volume hépatique à partir de critères morphométriques dans une population d’adultes caucasiens. Swiss Society of Surgeons 2001 in Lucerne. *Published on Swiss Surgery 2001; Vol. 7, Suppl. 1.*

Oral presentations:

- Ferrari G, Eng PA. IgE-mediated Food Allergies in Swiss Infants and Children. Swiss Society of Paediatrics 2007 in Zürich. *Published on Swiss Med Wkly 2007; Vol. 137, Suppl. 158.*
- Ferrari G, Eng PA. IgE-mediated Food Allergies in Swiss Infants and Children. Swiss Society of Allergy and Clinical Immunology 2007 in Basel. *Published on Swiss Med Wkly 2007; Vol. 137, Suppl. 157.*

BROSCHURES FOR PATIENTS, SPECIALISTS AND GENERAL PRACTICERS

- B. Ballmer-Weber, A. Helbling, Ph. Eigenmann, G. Ferrari. Allergie e intolleranze alimentari. Centro Allergie Svizzera Aha! 2017.
- Ph. Spring, A. Bircher, G. Ferrari, C. Mainetti. Dermatiti da contatto. Centro Allergie Svizzera Aha! 2017.
- A. Helbling, Th. Harr, U. Steiner, Y. Mueller, G. Ferrari. Angioedema, cause e fattori scatenanti. Centro Allergie Svizzera Aha! 2016.
- A. Helbling, P. Schmid-Grendelmeier, F. Spertini, G. Ferrari. Orticaria, cause e fattori scatenanti. Centro Allergie Svizzera Aha! 2014.
- Giovanni Ferrari, Stefan Wöhrl, Rudolf Valenta, Werner Aberer, Zsolt Szepfalusi, Heimo Breiteneder. Diagnostica allergologica molecolare: guida basata sul documento di consenso sulla diagnostica allergologica molecolare WAO-ARIA-GA2LEN 2013. ThermoFisher Scientific 2014.