

Dr. Pier Luigi Meroni



Dr. Pier Luigi Meroni is full professor of Rheumatology at the University of Milan and head of the Allergy, Clinical Immunology & Rheumatology Unit of the Department of Internal Medicine.

His clinical and scientific works focus on autoimmune/rheumatic diseases, particularly on the pathogenic role of serum autoantibodies.

He has published more than 290 papers in peer-reviewed journals. He has authored and edited 2 books and written 20 book chapters.

His editorial activity is characterized by his inclusion in the editorial board of several journals in the field of rheumatology and autoimmunity.

He organized the IVth International Congress on Antiphospholipid Antibodies (Sirmione 1990) and he is co-chairman of the Vth International Congress on Autoimmunity (Sorrento 2006) and of the 12th International Congress on Anti-phospholipid Antibodies (Firenze 2007). Dr. Meroni has been the scientific organizer of the MENARINI DIAGNOSTICS International Symposia on Autoimmunity since 2001.

Dr. Meroni received the Roussel Prize in 1997 (Rome) for the studies on the age-associated immune-deficit and the EULAR Prize in 2005 (Vienna) for the researches on the infectious etiology of anti-phospholipid syndrome.

Recently he has been nominated Chairman of the IUIS/WHO/AF/CDC Committee for the standardization of diagnostic tests for rheumatic diseases, and he is the Italian Representative of EASI (European Autoimmunity Standardization Initiative).