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Brief Professional Profile

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Raffaele De Caro received Medical degree cum laude on 1980 in Padova. Specialisation cum laude in Pathology (Padova, 1984) and Legal Medicine (Padova, 1987). At the Medical School of the University of Padova Assistant Professor in Human Anatomy from 1981, Associate Professor from 1992 and Full professor from 2000. Director of the Department of Human Anatomy and Physiology from 2004 to 2011. President of the School of Medicine of Padova since 2007. Visiting scientist at University of Sheffield in 1988, University of Heidelberg (Germany) in 1990 for Plastination of human cadaver, at the "International School of Neuroscience", (Prof. E. Costa, G.M. Edelman e R. Levi Montalcini) in 1990, Italy. He personally made 3000 cadaver dissections for research and teaching. Author of 150 in extenso papers. Associate editor of Surg. Radiol. Anat., member of the editorial board of Clin. Anat. and reviewer for J Anat, Anat Record.

Educational activity

Teaching activity is developed at University of Padova

Main Research Topics

The research is devoted to embryogenesis of cerebral vessels, the nuclei of the human medulla involved in the continuous monitoring and autonomic regulation of respiratory and cardiovascular functions, anatomy and topography of the retroperitoneal fibroadipose tissue of the human pelvis, ileal neobladder mucosa, anatomy of the hepatic vessels and segmentation of the human liver, Gross Anatomy(nervous, cardiovascular, alimentary, urinary and reproductive systems), Clinical anatomy of superficial and deep fascias.

Membership and Appointment

Member of Italian Association of anatomy and histology, President of European Association of Clinical Anatomists, Fellow of British Association of Clinical anatomists, American Association of Clinical anatomists. Coordinator of research projects supported by the italian university ministry (MIUR) from 1987.