

CURRICULUM VITAE ET STUDIORUM

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Academic CV

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2002-2014: Assistant Professor of Pharmacology, Department of Pharmacy, University of Naples "Federico II" Naples, Italy
2011-2012: Assistant Professor in cardiovascular area IRCSS San Raffaele Pisana, Rome, Italy
2000-2002: Contract Researcher at Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Salerno for the project "Mediators of inflammation and atherosclerotic process"
1997-2000: PhD in Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Naples "Federico II"
1995-1996: Master degree in Pharmacology, University of Naples "Federico II"
1995: First Degree in Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Sciences, , University of Naples "Federico II"

Training at foreign institutions:

Aug.-Sep. 1993: Department of Pharmacology, Faculty of Medical Sciences, Unicamp, Campinas (SP), Brazil; supervisor Prof. Gilberto De Nucci
1998-1999: Yale University School of Medicine, Boyer Center for Molecular Medicine Department of Pharmacology, New Haven, CT, USA supervisor: prof. William C. Sessa

Awards and activities:

2009: Best poster award, XXXIV Congresso Nazionale della Società Italiana di Farmacologia, Rimini 14-17 October
2009: Platinum slide series of European Urology for the article "Hydrogen sulphide is involved in testosterone vascular effect"
2011: High Graded Poster, 10th world congress on inflammation, Paris 25-29 June
2011: Award winner poster section, XIV Congress of the European Shock Society, Taormina 31 Aug-2 Sep
2012: Outstanding Scientific Research Award, Second International Conference on H₂S Biology and Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia, US 19-22 Sep
2012: Cover of Journal of Pharmacological and Experimental Therapeutics, March Vol 340, N.3
2012-2015 Management Committee in European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST)BMBS Action BM1005 http://www.cost.eu/about_cost

Teaching:

2017-2018	Pharmacology and Pharmacotherapy, Department of Pharmacy University of Naples "Federico II"
2017-2018	Applied Pharmacology, Department of Pharmacy University of Naples "Federico II"
2016-2017	Pharmacology and Toxicology, Department of Pharmacy University of Naples "Federico II"
2007-2016:	Pharmacological Biotechnologies, Department of Pharmacy University of Naples "Federico II"
2006-2008:	Cellular and Molecular Pharmacology, Department of Pharmacy University of Naples "Federico II"
2004-2006:	Experimental Toxicology, Master in Pharmacology, Department of Pharmacy University of Naples "Federico II"
2004-2005:	Applied Pharmacology, Department of Biotechnological Sciences, University of Naples "Federico II"
2003-2005:	Biological Assays in pharmacology, Department of Biotechnological Sciences, University of Naples "Federico II"

Main areas of interest:

The research activity of prof. Bucci deals physiological processes in vascular homeostasis and inflammatory-based vascular diseases. In this context it is possible to identify the following topics:

- role of endogenous gasotransmitters (CO, NO, H₂S) in vascular homeostasis and in the development of inflammatory-based vascular diseases
- studies on proteinases activated receptors (PAR1 and PAR2) as a knot between coagulation and inflammation
- pharmacological assays and molecular analysis on natural and/or synthetic compounds as a potential anti-inflammatory and antithrombotic agents
- prof. Bucci has also contributed on the shingosine-1-phosphate and its transduction mechanism as proinflammatory signal in bronchial hyperactivity
- prof. Bucci has actively participated to clarify the molecular mechanisms involved in inflammatory arthropaties in both clinical and experimental settings.

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5. Cirino G., Cicala C., **Bucci M.**, Sorrentino L., Ambrosini G, De Dominicis G. & Altieri D.C. Factor Xa as an interface between coagulation and inflammation. Molecular mimicry of factor Xa association with effector cell protease receptor-1 induces acute inflammation in vivo *J.Clin.Inv.* 99, 2446-2451 (1997)
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7. Pierro E., Cirino G., **Bucci M.**, Lazzarin N., Andreani C.L., Mancuso S., Lanzone A. & Navarra P. Anti phospholipid antibodies inhibit prostaglandin release by decidual cells of early pregnancy: possible involvement of extracellular secretory phospholipase A2 *Fertility & Sterility*, vol.71 n.2 feb. (1999)
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10. Napoli C., Cicala C., D'Armiento F.P., Roviezzo F., Somma P., de Nigris F., Zuliani P., **Bucci M.**, Aleotti L., Casini A., Franconi F. & Cirino G. Beneficial effects of ACE-inhibition with zofenopril on plaque formation and low-density lipoprotein oxidation in watanable heritable hyperlipidemic rabbits *Gen.Pharmacol.* 33, pp467-477 (1999)
11. Ianaro A., Cicala C., Calignano A., Kotelianski V., Gotwals P., **Bucci M.**, Gerli R., Santucci L., Fiorucci S. & Cirino G. Anti-very late antigen-1 monoclonal antibody modulates the development of secondary lesion and T-cell response in experimental arthritis *Lab.Inv.*, vol.80 jan. n.1 p1 (2000)
12. Rudic D.R., **Bucci M.**, Fulton D., Segal S.S. & Sessa W.C. Temporal events underlying arterial remodeling following chronic flow reduction in mice: correlation of structural changes with a deficit in basal nitric oxide synthesis *Circulation Res.* 86, 1160-1166 (2000)
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