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## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

### - Etiopathogenetic role of different viruses in autoimmune and lymphoproliferative diseases:

*a- identification of HCV as main triggering factor of cryoglobulinemic vasculitis (mixed cryoglobulinemia);*

*possible role of HEV and HBV in mixed cryoglobulinemia*

*b- identification of HCV as triggering factor of a high percentage of patients with B-cell non-Hodgkin's lymphoma*

*c- possible role of HCV in porphyria cutanea tarda, autoimmune hepatitis, autoimmune thyroiditis, and type 2 diabetes*

*d- possible role of HCV in papillary thyroid cancer*

*e- possible role of HCMV and parvovirus B19 in systemic sclerosis (scleroderma)*

- **Serological studies and therapeutic trials on different rheumatic disorders** (rheumatoid arthritis, SLE, systemic sclerosis, mixed cryoglobulinemia);

- **Etiopathogenesis, clinical features, survival, and treatment of mixed cryoglobulinemia** (cryoglobulinemic vasculitis) patients;

- **Etiopathogenesis and clinical follow-up of Raynaud's phenomenon and systemic sclerosis** including classification criteria, visceral involvement (heart, lung), survival, and treatment;

- **Role of plasmapheretic and dietetic treatments** in some rheumatic disorders (cryoglobulinemic vasculitis, SLE, scleroderma).

## Publications:

### 1. chapters textbooks:

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12. Ferri C, Colaci M, Manfredi A. Vasculiti sistemiche (capitolo 165) in: G. Gasbarrini, A. Gasbarrini, A. Rossi, *Trattato di Medicina Interna*, Verduci 2011.
13. Antonelli A, Ferri C, Fallahi Poupack. The endocrinology of liver disease. Chapter 10.2.2. Wass JAH and Stewart PM: *Oxford Textbook of Endocrinology and Diabetes*. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Oxford.
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20. Clodoveo Ferri, Marco Sebastiani, Dilia Giuggioli. Vasculiti dei piccoli vasi. In: *Reumatologia*. Ed. UNIREUMA; Idelson-Gnocchi 2013.
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