



Pier Giuseppe Pelicci

Professor Pier Giuseppe Pelicci was born in Gubbio, Italy in 1956. After graduating in medicine summa cum laude at the University of Perugia, Italy, in 1981, he spent four years at the Department of Pathology of the New York University Medical Center as post-doctoral fellow, working on the structure of immunoglobulin and T-cell receptor genes in normal and neoplastic lymphoid cells (in particular the Ig-myc translocations of B-cell lymphomas). In 1986, professor Pelicci moved to the University of Perugia where he became head of the Laboratory of Molecular Biology. There he cloned the translocation breakpoints of the acute promyelocytic leukaemia (PML) 15;17 translocation and the SH2-containing Shc, Sli and Rai proteins. In 1994 he became professor of oncology at the University of Parma and is now full professor of pathology at the University of Milan. In 1995 he joined the European Institute of Oncology in Milan as chairman of the Department of Experimental Oncology, where his laboratory is working on mechanisms of growth control, leukemogenesis, and on mechanisms that regulate life-span in mammals. Professor Pelicci holds eight patents and is author of 244 publications in peer-reviewed journals.