SCIMECA MANUEL, PhD



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Date of Birth: May 23, 1983 Nationality: Italian

SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITY

Bibliometric Indicators (Scopus):

• Total publications: 157

• H-index: 32

• Total citations: 3,552

National Scientific Qualification (ASN) – Full Professor, 06/MEDS-26

World's Top 2% Scientist (2025) – Stanford University

Sspeaker at 25 national and international conferences

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- 2015 PhD in *Medical Biotechnology and Translational Medicine*, University of Rome "Tor Vergata"
- 2011 MSc in *Medical Biotechnology*, University of Rome "Tor Vergata"
- 2009 BSc in Cellular and Molecular Biology, University of Rome "Tor Vergata"

RECENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **2025 present**: Associate Professor, University of Rome "Tor Vergata", Department of Experimental Medicine (MED/26-A)
- **2022 2025**: Researcher, University of Rome "Tor Vergata", Department of Experimental Medicine (MED/26-A)
- **2019 present**: Adjunct Professor, Saint Camillus International University of Health and Medical Sciences
- 2017 present: Adjunct Professor, San Raffaele Telematic University

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

University of Rome "Tor Vergata"

- Coordinator Master's Program in Pathological Anatomy Techniques, Molecular Pathology and Digital Pathology
- Course Units:
 - o 8059913 Practical Medicine III (Medicine and Surgery) 1 CFU
 - o 8059863 Clinical Practice IV (Medicine and Surgery) 1 CFU
 - o 8058802 Pathological Anatomy I (Biomedical Laboratory Techniques) 1 CFU
 - 8058793 Clinical Biochemistry, Clinical Molecular Biology and Applied Statistics
 1 CFU
 - 8058799 Microbiology and Clinical Microbiology (Biomedical Laboratory Techniques) – 1 CFU

Saint Camillus International University of Health and Medical Sciences

• Foundations of Histopathology / Pathological Anatomy (MED/04-A) – 4 CFU

San Raffaele Telematic University, Rome

• 0672204MED08 – Musculoskeletal Disorders and Physical Exercise – 2 CFU

GRANT

Principal Investigator (PI):

- *INAIL BRIC 2022 (ID#68)* "Carcinogenic potential of asbestos fibers, nanoparticles and heavy metals in a working-age population: from subcellular analysis to artificial intelligence" (€120,000; 2022–2024)
- PRIN 2022 (Italian Ministry of University and Research) "Novel mediators, predictive biomarkers and therapeutic targets for breast cancer metastatic disease" (€199,000; Grant 2022TXHFSA)

Deputy Coordinator, Spoke 1 − *HEAL ITALIA Partnership* (PE6, PNRR Mission 4, Component 2 − NextGenerationEU; €7,350,000; PI: Prof. Candi)

Co-Principal Investigator (Co-PI):

- International Exchanges 2022 Cost Share Program "Transmission electron microscopy of archived esophageal cancer biopsies with asbestos exposure" (\$12,000; Co-PI: D. Middleton, Queen's University Belfast; 2022–2023)
- Life Science Advanced Diagnostics (HLS-DA) Italian Ministry of Health, Complementary Plan to PNRR (€600,000; PI: Prof. Alessandro Mauriello)

Collaborator:

- Consolidate the Foundation (2015) "Vitamin D crosstalk between bone and muscle in the elderly" (€18,000; PI: Prof. Umberto Tarantino)
- *Horizon 2020 (GA No. 833456)* "Cybersecurity framework for reliable and trusted digital service chains" (€4,684,700; PI: A. Duzha, MAGGIOLI S.p.A.)
- Beyond Borders (2019) "ZNF750 transcription factor in breast and prostate cancer progression" (€16,000; PI: Prof. Elena Bonanno)
- *INAIL BRIC 2019 (ID#58)* "Ultrastructural and elemental analysis of asbestos and heavy metal bioaccumulation in human tumors" (€120,000; PI: Prof. Elena Bonanno)
- Horizon 2020 (GA No. 101017453) "Knowledge at your fingertips: clinical knowledge for humanity" (€8,479,900; PI: Prof. Vittorio Colizzi)

SPIN-OFFS AND PATENTS

- **Co-founder**, *TMALab S.r.l.*, University of Rome "Tor Vergata"
- Co-founder, OrchidealLab S.r.l.
- Patent (pending):

Pentraxin 3 (PTX3) protein for the treatment and in vitro diagnosis of osteoporosis (Brev/gc [A18256-00], IT 102017000081653; Inventors: Dr. Manuel Scimeca, Prof. Umberto Tarantino)

AWARDS

- **2016:** Best Project Award Italian Group for the Study of Severe Osteoporotic Disorders: "The Role of Heavy Metals Accumulation in Osteoporosis"
- **2017:** Best Scientific Contribution *ORTOMED Congress 2017:* "Cellular and Molecular Profile of Sarcopenia in Osteoporotic and Osteoarthritic Patients"
- **2021:** *USERN Award Nominee* Top-rank Q1 publications (first author)
- **2022:** ERNST RUSKA Award Nominee 2023 Pioneering Studies in Transmission Electron Microscopy

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES MEMBERSHIP

- Since 2025: Society for Environmental Geochemistry and Health (SEGH)
- Since 2022: Italian Society for Translational Research and Health Professions (SIRTEPS)
- 2021–2022: Italian Society of Clinical Pathology and Laboratory Medicine (SIPMeL)
- 2018–2022: Italian Society of Pathology (SIAPEC)
- 2018–2020: European Society of Pathology (ESP)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS (LAST 5 YEARS)

- **Servadei F, Scimeca M**, Palumbo V, et al. *Aging and Sex Modify the Risk of Carotid Plaque Thrombosis Related to Dyslipidemic Profile*. **Stroke**. 2025;56(10):2879–2887. doi:10.1161/STROKEAHA.125.051754 equally first author
- **Pecorari R**, Mancini M, Smirnov A, ... **Scimeca M**, et al. *p63 and ZNF148 cooperate to regulate head and neck squamous cell carcinoma*. **PNAS.** 2025;122(28):e2500579122. doi:10.1073/pnas.2500579122
- Camaioni A, ... Scimeca M, et al. Silica encapsulation of ZnO nanoparticles reduces their toxicity for cumulus cell–oocyte complex expansion. Part Fibre Toxicol. 2021;18(1):33. doi:10.1186/s12989-021-00424-z
- Mauriello A, Scimeca M, et al. Thromboembolism after COVID-19 vaccine in patients with preexisting thrombocytopenia. Cell Death Dis. 2021;12(8):762
- **Servadei F, Scimeca M**, et al. Risk of carotid plaque instability in women with metabolic syndrome and hypertriglyceridemia. **Cardiovasc Diabetol.** 2021;20(1):98

FULL PUBLICATION LIST:

https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/?term=scimeca+manuel+

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