

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: **Giorgio Racagni**
Place and date of birth: Milan (Italy), October 16, 1947
Citizenship: Italian
Marital Status: Married

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH POSITIONS

July, 1966 Graduation from High School
November, 1966 Enter the University of Pavia, School of Pharmacy
1968 - 1969 Undergraduate student at the Institute of Pharmaceutical Chemistry, University of Pavia.
July, 1970 Ph.D. in Pharmacology (full marks cum laude).
1971 Postgraduate Fellow at the Institute of Pharmacology and Pharmacognosy, University of Milan.
1972 Fellowship from the Ministry of Health, at the Institute of Pharmacology and Pharmacognosy, University of Milan.
1973 - 1974 Visiting Fellow at the National Institute of Mental Health, Laboratory of Mental Health, Laboratory of Preclinical Pharmacology, Saint Elisabeth's Hospital, Washington D.C., U.S.A.
1974 - 1975 Visiting Associate at the National Institute of Mental Health, Laboratory of Preclinical Pharmacology, Saint Elisabeth's Hospital, Washington D.C., U.S.A
1985 - present Director of the Center of Neuropharmacology, University of Milan.
2010 Director, Department of Pharmacological and Biomolecular Sciences, University of Milan

UNIVERSITY POSITIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

1973 - 1976	Assistant Professor of Pharmacology at the Institute of Pharmacology and Pharmacognosy, University of Milan.
1976 - 1986	Associate Professor of Pharmacology at the Institute of Pharmacology and Pharmacognosy, University of Milan.
1977 - 1979	Professor of Neuropharmacology at the Postgraduate School of Pharmacology, School of Medicine, University of Milan.
1978 - 1984	Professor of Neuropsychopharmacology at the Postgraduate School of Neurosurgery, School of Medicine, University of Pavia.
1979 - present	Professor of Neuropharmacology at the Postgraduate School of Pharmacology, School of Pharmacy, University of Milan.
1981 - present	Professor of Neuropharmacology at the Postgraduate School of Toxicology, School of Pharmacy, University of Milan.
1982 - 1988	Professor of Psychopharmacology at the Postgraduate School of Psychiatry, School of Medicine, University of Naples.
1982 - present	Professor of Psychopharmacology at the Postgraduate School of Psychiatry, School of Medicine, University of Milan.
1985 - present	Director of the Center of Neuropharmacology, University of Milan.
1986 - 1989	Full Professor of Pharmacology University of Pavia.
1989 - present	Full Professor of Pharmacology, University of Milan.

HONOURS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

1977	Award for Scientific Research Activity from the University of Milan.
1984 - present	President of the Scientific Committee of the Center of Neuropharmacology, University of Milan
1985 - present	Foreign Correspondence Member of the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology.
1985 - 1991	Secretary General and Treasurer of the World Federation of Societies of Biological Psychiatry (W.F.S.B.P.).
1986	International Duphar Award for scientific research activity in the field of neuropharmacology.
1986 - 1990	Secretary General of the Collegium Internationale Neuropsychopharmacologicum (C.I.N.P.).
1986 - 1989	Councillor of the Italian Society of Biological Psychiatry.
1986 - present	Director of the World Health Organization (W.H.O.) Collaborating Center for Research and Training in Mental Health, Italy.
1987 - 1995	Councillor of the European College of Neuropsychopharmacology (E.C.N.P.).
1989 - present	Vice-President of the Italian Society of Biological Psychiatry.
1990 - 1992	President Elect of the Collegium Internationale Neuropsychopharmacologicum (C.I.N.P.)
1990 - present	Member of the Scientific Council of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research
1991	Winner of the "Anna-Monika Prize" for outstanding research in the field of Affective Disorders
1991	Winner of the "Korsakoff Prize" delivered by the Russian Academy of Sciences for outstanding research in Biological Psychiatry
1991 - 1997	Vice-President of the World Federation of Societies of Biological Psychiatry (W.F.S.B.P.)
1992 - 1994	President of the Collegium Internationale Neuropsychopharmacologicum (C.I.N.P.)
1994 - present	Member of the "President Committee" of the Collegium Internationale Neuropsychopharmacologicum (C.I.N.P.)
1995 - present	Member of the WHO Expert Advisory Panel on Neurosciences
1996	President of the "Comitato per le Patologie del Sistema Nervoso Centrale" of the Ministero della Sanità
1998	President of the Italian Society of Neuropsychopharmacology
1997	Member of the Board of Directors of the International Academy on Brain and Nervous System Health

- 2002** Member of the New York Academy of Sciences
- 2011** Member of the Board for the evaluation of Research and Development Projects, Italian Agency for Medicine (AIFA), Ministry of Health, Italy.

MEMBERSHIP OF NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

- Italian Society of Pharmacology (SIF)
- Association of Biologists in Pharmacy (ABF)
- European Society of Neuroscience (ESN)
- International Brain Research Organization (IBRO)
- American Society for Neuroscience
- International Society of Psychoneuroendocrinology (ISPNE)
- Collegium Internationale Neuropsychopharmacologicum (CINP)
- Italian Study Group on Brain Aging
- Italian Society of Neuroscience
- American College of Neuropsychopharmacology (ACNP)
- World Federation Societies of Biological Psychiatry (WFSBP)
- European College of Neuropsychopharmacology (ECNP)
- British Association of Psychopharmacology
- Italian Society of Neuropsychopharmacology
- Italian Society of Biological Psychiatry
- International Academy on Brain and Nervous System Health

RESEARCH ACTIVITY

Three main areas of research in the field of neuropsychopharmacology are currently being carried on:

- Neurobiology of affective and schizophrenic spectrum disorders.
- Mechanism of action of antidepressant and antipsychotic drugs.
- Molecular mechanism underlying neuroprotection and neuroexcitotoxicity.

The research activity of Prof. Racagni is documented by 435 scientific publications and by 50 books in the field of neuroscience contributing to different international educational and scientific programmes in Neuropsychopharmacology and Biological Psychiatry.

EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBERSHIP AND REFEREE

Pharmacological Research

Psychopharmacology

Journal of Neurochemistry

Neuroscience Letters

Neuropharmacology

Psychoneuroendocrinology

Experientia

Biochemical Pharmacology

European Journal of Pharmacology

Fundamental and Clinical Pharmacology

Human Psychopharmacology

Progress in Neuropsychopharmacology and Biological Psychiatry

Functional Neurology

European Journal of Pharmacology Molecular Pharmacology Section

Brain Research

European Neuropsychopharmacology

Depression

International Journal of Serotonin Research

Current Topics in Pharmacology

Life Sciences

Journal of Bipolar Disorder

International Journal of Neuropsychopharmacology

ORGANIZATION OF NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

- 1973** Workshop in Neuropsychopharmacology, Milan, Italy.
- 1977** International Symposium on "Endorphins", Brescia, Italy.
- 1979** International Symposium on "Long-term Effects of Neuroleptics", Montecarlo, Principaute de Monaco.
- 1980** XI Congress of the Society of Psychoneuroendocrinology, Florence, Italy.
- 1981** International Symposium on "Typical and Atypical Antidepressants", Taormina, Italy.
- 1982** International Workshop on "Application of Behavioural Pharmacology in Toxicology", Capri, Italy.
- Symposium on "Molecular Mechanisms in the action of Drugs Active in Mania and Depression", within the 13th CINP Congress, Jerusalem, Israel.
- 1983** Symposium on "GABA and Endocrine Function", within the 14th International Congress of the Society of Psychoneuroendocrinology, New York, U.S.A.
- 1984** XIV Congress of the Collegium Internationale Neuropsychopharmacologicum (CINP), Florence, Italy.
- International Workshop on "Chronic Treatments in Neuropsychiatry", Montecatini, Italy.
- Symposium on "Psychotherapeutic Drugs in the Study of Hypothalamic Pituitary Regulation and Abnormal Behaviour", within the 15th International Congress of the Society of Psychoneuroendocrinology, Vienna, Austria.
- 1985** Meeting of W.H.O. Collaborative Centres in Biological Psychiatry, Capri, Italy.
- International Workshop on "Peptides and Ion Transport", Florence, Italy.
- International Workshop on "GABA and Endocrine Function", Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- CINP Special Symposium on "Psychotropic Drug Receptors and Brain Function: from Molecular Bases to Clinical Implication" within the 24th Congress of the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology, Maui, Hawaii.
- 1986** International Workshop on "Anxious Depression: Assessment and Treatment", Milan, Italy.
- Symposium on "Receptor Regulation and Receptor-Receptor Interactions: Pharmacological and Clinical Aspects", within the 15th CINP Congress, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 1987** Regional Meeting of the Italian Society of Pharmacology on "Pharmacology and Neuronal Transmission", Pavia, Italy.

- 1988** W.H.O. International Workshop on "Anxiety Disorders: Biological and Clinical Aspects", Rome, Italy.
- Symposium on "Molecular Biology in Neuropsychopharmacology", within the 16th C.I.N.P. Congress, Munich, Germany.
- 1991** 5th World Congress of Biological Psychiatry, Florence, Italy.
- 1st Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on "Serotonin receptor subtypes: pharmacological significance and clinical implications" Montecarlo, Principaute de Monaco
- 2nd Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on "Treatment of age-related cognitive dysfunction: pharmacological and clinical evaluation" Montecarlo, Principaute de Monaco
- 3rd Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on "Target receptors for anxiolytics and hypnotics: from molecular pharmacology to therapeutics" Montecarlo, Principaute de Monaco.
- 1992** 4th Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on "New generation of antipsychotic drugs: novel mechanisms of action" Montecarlo, Principaute de Monaco.
- Corso residenziale "I recettori: dalla biologia molecolare alle applicazioni cliniche", Roma, Italy.
- Inaugural Workshop of the European Decade of Brain Research under the patronage of the Commission of the European Community on "New pharmacological approaches in the therapy of depressive disorders", Bruxelles, Belgium.
- Inaugural Session of the European Decade of Brain Research under the patronage of the Commission of the European Community on "European developmments in brain research", Bruxelles, Belgium.
- Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on "New developments in the therapy of allergic disorders and asthma" Montecarlo, Principaute de Monaco.
- 1993** International symposium on "Worldwide decade of the Brain", organized with CNR and under the patronage of the Commission of the European Community, Rome, Italy
- C.I.N.P President's Workshop organized by the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on "Recent Advances in the treatment of neurodegenerative disorders and cognitive dysfunction", Capri, Italy.
- Consensus Conference on "Classic and Newer Antidepressants", Saint Tropez, France.
- C.I.N.P Regional Workshop on "Current therapeutical approaches in panic and other anxiety disorders", Montecarlo, Principauté de Monaco.

- 1994** C.I.N.P. Regional Workshop on "Critical issues in the treatment of affective disorders", Paris, France.
- XIX C.I.N.P. Congress, June 27-July 1, Washington D.C., USA
- Consensus Conference on "Recent advances in the treatment of insomnia", Saint Tropez, France.
- Educational Workshop on "Practical issues in the diagnosis and management of mood disorders", Copenhagen, Denmark.
- Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on "Preclinical and Clinical Strategies for the Treatment of Neurodegenerative, Cerebrovascular and Mental Disorders", Tokyo, Japan
- 1995** Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on "Critical Issues in the Treatment of Schizophrenia", Florence, Italy.
- Consensus Meeting on "Clinical and Therapeutic Guidelines for Depot Neuroleptic Treatment in Schizophrenia", Borgo Pretale, Siena, Italy
- X Congress of the Italian Society of Neuropsychopharmacology, Venice, Italy.
- VIII Congress of the European College of Neuropsychopharmacology, Venice, Italy.
- Educational Workshop on "Practical Issues in Clinical Research of Schizophrenia", Venice, Italy
- 1996** Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on "New Therapeutic Indications of Antidepressants", Bruges, Belgium
- Consensus Meeting on Dysthymia, Capri (Italy)
- Symposium on "Advances in Schizophrenia: US and European Perspectives" at the APA Meeting, New York (USA)
- Symposium on "Health Policies and Pharmacoeconomics. An International Perspective" at the WPA Meeting, Madrid (Spain)
- Consensus Meeting on "New therapeutic indications of antidepressants", San Juan, Puerto Rico (USA)
- 1997** Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on "Mental Disorders in the Elderly: New Therapeutic Approaches", Rome (Italy)
- 1998** Consensus Meeting on Social Phobia, Courchevel (France)
- Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on "Novel Therapeutic Strategies in the Schizophrenic Spectrum and Mood Disorders", Venice (Italy)
- Consensus Meeting on Depression in the Elderly, Capri (Italy)
- Consensus Meeting on "Depression and Sleep Disorders", Porto Cervo
- Consensus Meeting on "Treatment Resistant Depression", St. Tropez, (France)

Consensus Meeting on “The Relevance of Noradrenaline in the Treatment of Depression”, St. Jean de Cap Ferrat, (France)

Consensus Meeting on “Novel Therapeutic Strategies in Schizophrenic Spectrum Disorders” San Juan – Puerto Rico

1999 Consensus Meeting on “Post Traumatic Stress Disorders”, Courchevel (France), (22-23 January)

Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on “Neurocognitive impairment in schizophrenic and Alzheimer’s disorders: therapeutic approaches”, Paris (France)

President of the Regional Congress of the World Federation of Societies of Biological Psychiatry, Florence (Italy)

2000 Consensus Meeting on “Generalised Anxiety Disorder”, Courchevel (France), (18-19 January)

XII Congress of the Italian Society of Neuropsychopharmacology, Chia Laguna, Domus de Maria, Cagliari (7-10 June)

Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on “Depression and Anxiety Spectrum Disorders: from Neurobiology to Novel Pharmacological Treatments”, Milan (6-7 September)

2001 Workshop of the International Academy for Biomedical and Drug Research on “Bipolar Spectrum Disorders: Therapeutic Advances”, Florence (16-17 November)

2002 XIII Congress of the Italian Society of Neuropsychopharmacology , Milan (9-13 July)

2004 XIV Congress of the Italian Society of Neuropsychopharmacology , Bologna (1-4 June)

2006 XV Congress of the Italian Society of Neuropsychopharmacology , Genova (6-9 June)

2007 International Conference “Cognitive Dysfunctions in Schizophrenia and Mood Disorders: Clinical aspects, mechanisms and therapy”, Brixia (17-19 January).

2008 International Conference “Newer vs older pharmacological treatments for schizophrenia and mood disorders: selected areas of strength and weakness”, Brixia (13-15 March)

XVI Congress of the Italian Society of Neuropsychopharmacology, Milan (24-26 June)

2009 International Conference “Antipsychotics and Antidepressants: are the labels appropriate or too restrictive?”, Brixia (7-9 May)

2010 International Conference “Towards tailored therapies in psychiatry: Relevance of biological, psychopathological and environmental factors”, Brixia (May13-15)

“1st Mediterranean Advanced Course of Psychopharmacotherapeutics” “Unipolar depression”, Milan (28-30 October)

- 2011** International Conference “Standards of care in clinical psychopharmacology: what future?”, Brixia (30 June – 2 July)
- “2nd Mediterranean Advanced Course of Psychopharmacotherapeutics”. “Anxiety and Mood Disorders”, Cascais (Portugal) (26-29 October).