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1. What are your key areas of interest and research?

The chest was my first professional passion and continues to be so. My early research focused on the possibilities of the chest x-ray in the evaluation of changes in the pulmonary circulation in various lung and heart pathological conditions. CT allowed me to further develop my interest in thoracic radiology, focusing on imaging of lung tumors, and deepening research on pulmonary circulation with CT.

2. What are the major challenges in your field?

There are many: some internal to our discipline and others external. Among the first, to emphasise the need to be increasingly clinical radiologists, competent and updated, capable of being valid consultants for our clinical colleagues and specialists helping in patient management, providing more accurate diagnosis and able to make accurate therapeutic decisions. Among the external challenges are the development of molecular imaging and personalised medicine.

3. What is your top management tip?

It is very important to have a vision and share it in order to develop a strategy and motivate people.

4. Your career highlight?

The current position of Professor of Radiology of one of the most prestigious Italian Medical schools and President of the largest Radiological Society of the world are certainly my career highlights.

5. If you had not chosen this career path you would have become a...?

I love music and I wanted to be a singer, but I sing so out of tune that I don't dare sing in the shower.

6. Your leisure interests?

Music, going to movies, long mountain walks and (knees permitting), skiing.

7. Your favourite quote?

There are two quotes:

- "It's not the place that make the person, it's the person that makes the place."
- "People come and go, but institutions stay."

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