

D-MEM SEMINAR

Patrizia Porazzi

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October 23, 2024 – 4.45 PM

Aula C11, via Colombo

From Developmental Models to CAR-T Therapies: a Journey in Experimental Medicine and Cancer Research

Patrizia earned her PhD in Medical Biotechnologies from the University of Milan, followed by post-doctoral training in experimental hematology and cancer biology. This post-doctoral experience sparked her passion for advancing immunotherapy for relapsing hematologic malignancies, shaping the vision for her career. To pursue this goal, she joined Dr. Ruella's team at the University of Pennsylvania's Center for Cellular Immunotherapies (CCI) as a senior research investigator. Her work focuses on developing innovative, rationally designed approaches using chimeric antigen receptor T cells (CAR-T) to treat relapsing/refractory leukemia and lymphoma. During her seminar, primarily aimed at new PhD students in Experimental Medicine, Patrizia will present the results achieved throughout her career, which began in Milan and continued in the U.S. She will highlight both the challenges and rewards of her journey in the scientific field.

Her current position is Senior Research Investigator and Associate Director in the Ruella's Laboratory Division of Hematology and Oncology and Center for Cellular Immunotherapies, Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

