



# Davide Barbagallo - Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum

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## ABOUT ME

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Davide Barbagallo graduated cum laude in Biological Sciences at the University of Catania in 2004. In the same year he qualified as a biologist. In 2009 he obtained the title of PhD in Biology, Human Genetics and Bioinformatics and since then he has carried out university teaching activities in various study courses in the medical area. In 2017 he specialized in Medical Genetics. He obtained the National Scientific Qualification as Associate Professor of Biology in 2017. Davide Barbagallo's research activity focuses on the study of the expression and function of non-coding RNAs in different models of biomedical interest. In particular, in recent years, Davide Barbagallo has specialized in the study of the expression, function and molecular mechanisms of circular RNAs in glioblastoma multiforme.

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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### Specialty in Medical Genetics

*University of Messina* [ 07/2017 ]

**Address:** Messina (Italy)

**Field(s) of study:** Applied Biology / Medical Genetics , The human non-coding RNAs miR-671-5P, CDR1AS, circ\_SHPRH, circ\_SMARCA5 are new candidates in the pathogenesis of Glioblastoma Multiforme - Tutor: Prof. Michele Purrello

**Final grade :** 50/50 with distinction

### PhD in Biology, Human Genetics and Bioinformatics

*University of Catania* [ 10/2009 ]

**Address:** Catania (Italy)

**Field(s) of study:** Applied Biology , Pathogenomics of the Human Apoptotic Machinery: identification of new candidate genes for Diabetes - Tutor: Prof Michele Purrello

### Master degree in Biological Sciences

*Università degli Studi di Catania* [ 10/2004 ]

**Address:** Catania (Italy)

**Field(s) of study:** Applied Microbiology , Rapid method of characterization of the structure of Tn1546 by LONG-PCR-RFLP in a sample of Enterococcus spp. - Tutor: Prof. Stefania Stefani

**Final grade :** 110/110 with distinction

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### **Assistant Professor of Biology and Genetics**

*Dept. of Biomedical and Biotechnological Sciences - University of Catania* [ Current ]

City: Catania

Country: Italy

#### **Scientific fields of interest:**

- 1) Study of the expression, function and molecular mechanisms of circular RNAs in glioblastoma multiforme
- 2) Identification of non-coding RNAs as non-invasive markers for the early diagnosis of neoplasms

#### **Teaching activity:**

Teaching in various degree courses (master and bachelor degree courses) in the medical area

### **Post Doc**

*Dept. of Biomedical and Biotechnological Sciences - University of Catania* [ 03/08/2016 – 02/08/2018 ]

City: Catania

Country: Italy

Research on Long Non Coding RNAs Expression Profiles in Cells and Exosomes from Colorectal Cancer Patients: Molecular Data and Translational Implications under the tutorship of Prof Michele Purrello (Dept. of Biomedical and Biotechnological Sciences - University of Catania)

### **Travel Grant Award from Fondazione Umberto Veronesi**

*Fondazione Umberto Veronesi* [ 01/04/2017 – 30/09/2017 ]

City: Aarhus

Country: Denmark

Research on the pathogenetic and diagnostic role of circRNAs in glioblastoma multiforme, under the tutorship of Dr. Thomas Hansen, Department of Molecular Biology and Genetics, Aarhus University (Denmark)

### **Research fellowship**

*Dept. of Biomedical and Biotechnological Sciences - University of Catania* [ 15/07/2014 – 14/07/2015 ]

City: Catania

Country: Italy

Research on the identification of small non-coding RNAs as markers of cellular identity and pathology, under the tutorship of Prof Michele Purrello (Dept. of Biomedical and Biotechnological Sciences - University of Catania)

### **Post Doc**

*Dept. of Biomedical and Biotechnological Sciences - University of Catania* [ 03/08/2009 – 02/08/2013 ]

City: Catania

Country: Italy

Research on molecular markers related to follicular and oocyte quality and implantation mechanisms, under the guidance of Prof Cinzia Di Pietro (Dept. of Biomedical and Biotechnological Sciences - University of Catania)

## QUALIFICATIONS

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### **National Scientific Qualification as Associate Professor in Applied Biology**

[ 04/2017 – Current ]

## **Qualification as a Professional Biologist**

[ 12/2004 – Current ]

## **DIDACTIC ACTIVITIES**

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**Professor with a temporary appointment for Biology and Genetics (SSD BIO/13) within the nursing bachelor degree (academic years from 2009/2010 to 2019/2020)**

[ 10/2009 – 09/2020 ]

**Professor with a temporary appointment for Applied Biology (SSD BIO/13) within the Techniques of cardiocirculatory fisiopathology bachelor degree (SSD BIO/13) (Academic year 2019/2020)**

[ 10/2019 – 09/2020 ]

**Professor with a temporary appointment for Biology and Genetics (SSD BIO/13) within the Medicine and Surgery and Dentistry master degrees (Academic years 2013/2014 and 2014/2015)**

[ 04/2013 – 10/2015 ]

**Professor with a temporary appointment for Analysis of the transcriptome (SSD BIO/13) within the PhD programme in Biology, Human Genetics and Bioinformatics (XXVIII cycle)**

[ 09/2014 – 10/2014 ]

**Professor with a temporary appointment for Genomic methodologies and Laboratory techniques (SSD BIO/13)**

[ 09/2009 – 12/2009 ]

**Qualified Tutor within the degree courses in Orthoptics and Medical Biotechnologies, University of Catania**

[ 02/2019 ]

**Exam committee member**

[ 10/2009 – 09/2020 ]

Exam committee member in several degree courses at University of Catania

## **AWARDS**

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**International Journal of Molecular Sciences 2019 Best Paper Award**

[ 12/2019 ]

**Awarded of a travel grant from Fondazione Umberto Veronesi - April to September 2017**

[ 04/2017 – 30/09/2017 ]

Fellowship at Aarhus University (Denmark) under the tutorship of Prof. Thomas B Hansen

**Awarded as best young researcher in Biological Sciences from Accademia Gioenia (Catania, Italy) - June 2012**

[ 06/2012 ]

## **EDITORIAL AND PEER REVIEW ACTIVITIES**

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**Guest editor for the Special Issue: “Noncoding RNAs in Health and Disease” International Journal of Genomics**

[ 03/2017 ]

## Peer-reviewer for several international journals

Principali riviste:

- ✓ Brain (Oxford)
- ✓ Molecular Therapy - Nucleic Acids
- ✓ Cancers
- ✓ Genomics
- ✓ Gene
- ✓ Neurosciences
- ✓ International Journal of Molecular Sciences
- ✓ Clinical and Translational Medicine

## External peer reviewer for research projects

[ 09/2019 – Current ]

Evaluation of Academic research project Beyond Borders (Università degli Studi di Roma "Tor Vergata")

Evaluation of a project within HRUK Covid-19 Research Grant

## Editorial Board Member of International Journal of Molecular Sciences (secion of Molecular Oncology)

[ 16/12/2020 – Current ]

## Topic Editor of the Special Issue: "Non-coding RNAs in Glioblastoma Multiforme" for the International Journal of Molecular Sciences

[ Current ]

## RESEARCH GRANTS

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### Awarded with "STARTING GRANT" from University fo Catania

[ 10/10/2020 – Current ]

PI of the project: "Multifaceted **Epi**genetic Landscape of **Circ**SMARCA5 in **Gli**oblastoma Multiforme" (EpiCGli) (10 KEuros)

### Awarded from the italian league for the cure against tumours (LILT)

[ 07/2016 ]

PI of the project: "Analysis of circRNAs as diagnostic and prognostic markers of Glioblastoma Multiforme" (10 KEuros)

### Member of a research group - Title of the Project: "Determination of the Expression Profile of LncRNAs in Cells and Exosomes of Patients with Colorectal Carcinoma: Molecular Data and Translational Implications" - PI: Prof. Michele Purrello

[ 01/2015 ]

Granted by University fo Catania (FIR 2014)

## MEMBERSHIPS

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### Member of the Italian Association of General and Molecular Biology and Genetics (AIBG)

[ 09/2006 – Current ]

## Enrolled in the register of the Order of Biologists

[ 02/2010 – Current ]

### ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

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#### **Member of the scientific committee of the International School in "Advanced Molecular Systems BioMedicine and Complex Pathological Phenotypes"**

Member of the scientific committee of the International School in "Advanced Molecular Systems BioMedicine and Complex Pathological Phenotypes", Catania, 18-20 Giugno 2014.

#### **Tutor for the International School in Advanced Molecular Systems BioMedicine and Complex Pathological Phenotypes**

(i) *Tutor* per the International School: "Stem Cells: Biology, BioTechnology, Medical Applications", Acitrezza (CT), 1-5 October 2007. Title of the tutorial: "Structure and Functions of microRNAs"

(ii) *Tutor* per the International School: "Molecular BioMedicine, Medical Genomics and BioInformatics", Pantelleria (TP), 18-25 June 2005. Title of the tutorial: "Molecular Bases of Cancer";

(iii) *Tutor* per the International School: "Proteomes and Proteins", Lipari (ME), 9-22 July 2006. Title of the tutorial: "Structure and Functions of Proteins".

### PUBLICATIONS

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#### **1. The Immunohistochemical Expression of the Serine and Arginine-Rich Splicing Factor 1 (SRSF1) Is a Predictive Factor of the Recurrence of Basal Cell Carcinoma: A Preliminary Study on a Series of 52 Cases.**

[2022]

Broggi G, **Barbagallo D**, Lacarrubba F, Verzì AE, Micali G, Purrello M, Caltabiano R. *Medicina (Kaunas)*. 2022 Jan 17;58(1):139. doi: 10.3390/medicina58010139. **I.F.: 2.430 (Q2)**

#### **2. Competing endogenous RNA network mediated by circ\_3205 in SARS-CoV-2 infected cells**

[2022]

**Barbagallo D**, Palermo CI, Barbagallo C, Battaglia R, Caponnetto A, Spina V, Ragusa M, Di Pietro C, Scalia G, Purrello M. Competing endogenous RNA network mediated by circ\_3205 in SARS-CoV-2 infected cells. *Cell Mol Life Sci*. 2022 Jan 17;79(2):75. doi: 10.1007/s00018-021-04119-8. **I.F.: 9.261 (Q1)**

#### **3. MicroRNA-Mediated Regulation of the Virus Cycle and Pathogenesis in the SARS-CoV-2 Disease**

[2021]

Battaglia R, Alonzo R, Pennisi C, Caponnetto A, Ferrara C, Stella M, Barbagallo C, **Barbagallo D**, Ragusa M, Purrello M, Di Pietro C.

*Int J Mol Sci*. 2021 Dec 7;22(24):13192. doi: 10.3390/ijms222413192. **I.F.: 5.924 (Q1)**

#### **4. FUS driven circCNOT6L biogenesis in mouse and human spermatozoa supports zygote development.**

[2021]

Chioccarelli T, Falco G, Cappetta D, De Angelis A, Roberto L, Addeo M, Ragusa M, **Barbagallo D**, Berrino L, Purrello M, Ambrosino C, Cobellis G, Pierantoni R, Chianese R, Manfredola F. FUS driven circCNOT6L biogenesis in mouse and human spermatozoa supports zygote development. *Cell Mol Life Sci*. 2021 Dec 22;79(1):50. doi: 10.1007/s00018-021-04054-8. **I.F.: 9.261 (Q1)**

## 5. Do Extracellular RNAs Provide Insight into Uveal Melanoma Biology?

[2021]

Barbagallo C, Platania CBM, Drago F, **Barbagallo D**, Di Pietro C, Purrello M, Bucolo C, Ragusa M. Do Extracellular RNAs Provide Insight into Uveal Melanoma Biology? *Cancers (Basel)*. 2021 Nov 25;13(23):5919. doi: 10.3390/cancers13235919. I.F.: **6.639 (Q1)**

## 6. Molecular profiling of follicular fluid microRNAs in young women affected by Hodgkin lymphoma

[2021]

Caponnetto A, Battaglia R, Ragusa M, **Barbagallo D**, Lunelio F, Borzì P, Scollo P, Purrello M, Vento ME, Di Pietro C. *Reprod Biomed Online*. 2021 Aug 15:S1472-6483(21)00371-0. doi: 10.1016/j.rbmo.2021.08.007. Online ahead of print. IF: **3.828**

## 7. VECTOR: An Integrated Correlation Network Database for the Identification of CeRNA Axes in Uveal Melanoma

[2021]

Barbagallo C, Di Maria A, Alecci A, **Barbagallo D**, Alaimo S, Colarossi L, Ferro A, Di Pietro C, Purrello M, Pulvirenti A, Ragusa M. *Genes (Basel)*. 2021 Jun 29;12(7):1004. doi: 10.3390/genes12071004. IF: **4.096 (Q2)**

## 8. Serum Extracellular Vesicle-Derived circHIPK3 and circSMARCA5 Are Two Novel Diagnostic Biomarkers for Glioblastoma Multiforme

[2021]

Stella M, Falzone L, Caponnetto A, Gattuso G, Barbagallo C, Battaglia R, Mirabella F, Broggi G, Altieri R, Certo F, Caltabiano R, Barbagallo GMV, Musumeci P, Ragusa M, Pietro CD, Libra M, Purrello M, **Barbagallo D**. *Pharmaceuticals (Basel)*. 2021 Jun 27;14(7):618. doi: 10.3390/ph14070618. IF: **5.863 (Q1)**

## 9. LINC00483 Has a Potential Tumor-Suppressor Role in Colorectal Cancer Through Multiple Molecular Axes.

[2020]

Brex D, Barbagallo C, Mirabella F, Caponnetto A, Battaglia R, **Barbagallo D**, Caltabiano R, Broggi G, Memeo L, Di Pietro C, Purrello M, Ragusa M. LINC00483 Has a Potential Tumor-Suppressor Role in Colorectal Cancer Through Multiple Molecular Axes. *Front Oncol*. 2021 Jan 20;10:614455. doi: 10.3389/fonc.2020.614455. eCollection 2020. I.F.: **4.848 (Q2)**

## 10. Diagnostic Utility of the Immunohistochemical Expression of Serine and Arginine Rich Splicing Factor 1 (SRSF1) in the Differential Diagnosis of Adult Gliomas

[2021]

Broggi G, Salvatorelli L, **Barbagallo D**, Certo F, Altieri R, Tirrò E, Massimino M, Vigneri P, Guadagno E, Maugeri G, D'Agata V, Musumeci G, Ragusa M, Barbagallo GMV, Russo D, Caltabiano R. *Cancers (Basel)*. 2021 Apr 26;13(9):2086. doi: 10.3390/cancers13092086. IF: **6.639 (Q1)**

## 11. The GAUGAA Motif Is Responsible for the Binding between circSMARCA5 and SRSF1 and Related Downstream Effects on Glioblastoma Multiforme Cell Migration and Angiogenic Potential.

[2021]

**Barbagallo D\***, Caponnetto A\*, Barbagallo C, Battaglia R, Mirabella F, Brex D, Stella M, Broggi G, Altieri R, Certo F, Caltabiano R, Barbagallo GMV, Anfuso CD, Lupo G, Ragusa M, Di Pietro C, Hansen TB, Purrello M. The GAUGAA Motif Is Responsible for the Binding between circSMARCA5 and SRSF1 and Related Downstream Effects on Glioblastoma Multiforme Cell Migration and Angiogenic Potential. *Int J Mol Sci*. 2021 Feb 7;22(4):1678. doi: 10.3390/ijms22041678. I.F.: **4.556 (Q1)** \* Equal contribution

## **12. Peritumoral Microenvironment in High-Grade Gliomas: From FLAIrectomy to Microglia-Glioma Cross-Talk.**

[2021]

Altieri R\*, **Barbagallo D\***, Certo F, Broggi G, Ragusa M, Di Pietro C, Caltabiano R, Magro G, Peschillo S, Purrello M, Barbagallo G. Peritumoral Microenvironment in High-Grade Gliomas: From FLAIrectomy to Microglia-Glioma Cross-Talk. *Brain Sci.* 2021 Feb 6;11(2):200. doi: 10.3390/brainsci11020200. **I.F.: 3.332 (Q2) \* Equal contribution**

## **13. Enrichment and Correlation Analysis of Serum miRNAs in Comorbidity Between Arnold-Chiari and Tourette Syndrome Contribute to Clarify Their Molecular Bases.**

[2020]

Mirabella F, Gulisano M, Capelli M, Lauretta G, Cirnigliaro M, Palmucci S, Stella M, **Barbagallo D**, Di Pietro C, Purrello M, Ragusa M, Rizzo R. Enrichment and Correlation Analysis of Serum miRNAs in Comorbidity Between Arnold-Chiari and Tourette Syndrome Contribute to Clarify Their Molecular Bases. *Front Mol Neurosci.* 2021 Jan 5;13:608355. doi: 10.3389/fnmol.2020.608355. eCollection 2020. **IF: 4.057 (Q2)**

## **14. Uncharacterized RNAs in Plasma of Alzheimer's Patients Are Associated with Cognitive Impairment and Show a Potential Diagnostic Power.**

[2020]

Barbagallo C, Di Martino MT, Grasso M, Salluzzo MG, Scionti F, Cosentino FII, Caruso G, **Barbagallo D**, Di Pietro C, Ferri R, Caraci F, Purrello M, Ragusa M. Uncharacterized RNAs in Plasma of Alzheimer's Patients Are Associated with Cognitive Impairment and Show a Potential Diagnostic Power. *Int J Mol Sci.* 2020 Oct 15;21(20):7644. doi: 10.3390/ijms21207644. **I.F.: 4.556 (Q1)**

## **15. LncRNA LINC00518 Acts as an Oncogene in Uveal Melanoma by Regulating an RNA-Based Network.**

[2020]

Barbagallo C, Caltabiano R, Broggi G, Russo A, Puzzo L, Avitabile T, Longo A, Reibaldi M, **Barbagallo D**, Di Pietro C, Purrello M, Ragusa M. LncRNA LINC00518 Acts as an Oncogene in Uveal Melanoma by Regulating an RNA-Based Network. *Cancers (Basel).* 2020 Dec 21;12(12):3867. doi: 10.3390/cancers12123867. **I.F.: 6.126 (Q1)**

## **16. Potential Associations Among Alteration of Salivary miRNAs, Saliva Microbiome Structure, and Cognitive Impairments in Autistic Children.**

[2020]

Ragusa M, Santagati M, Mirabella F, Lauretta G, Cirnigliaro M, Brex D, Barbagallo C, Domini CN, Gulisano M, Barone R, Trovato L, Oliveri S, Mongelli G, Spitale A, **Barbagallo D**, Di Pietro C, Stefani S, Rizzo R, Purrello M. Potential Associations Among Alteration of Salivary miRNAs, Saliva Microbiome Structure, and Cognitive Impairments in Autistic Children. *Int J Mol Sci.* 2020 Aug 27;21(17):6203. doi: 10.3390/ijms21176203. **I.F.: 4.556 (Q1)**

## **17. Ovarian aging increases small extracellular vesicle CD81 + release in human follicular fluid and influences miRNA profiles.**

[2020]

Battaglia R, Musumeci P, Ragusa M, **Barbagallo D**, Scalia M, Zimbone M, Lo Faro JM, Borzì P, Scollo P, Purrello M, Vento EM, Di Pietro C. Ovarian aging increases small extracellular vesicle CD81 + release in human follicular fluid and influences miRNA profiles. *Aging (Albany NY).* 2020 Jun 17;12(12):12324-12341. doi: 10.18632/aging.103441. **I.F.: 4.831 (Q1)**

## **18. CircNAPEPLD is expressed in human and murine spermatozoa and physically interacts with oocyte miRNAs.**

[2019]

Ragusa M\*, **Barbagallo D\***, Chioccarelli T, Manfrevola F, Cobellis G, Di Pietro C, Brex D, Battaglia R, Fasano S, Ferraro B, Sellitto C, Ambrosino C, Roberto L, Purrello M, Pierantoni R, Chianese R. CircNAPEPLD is expressed in human and murine spermatozoa and physically interacts with oocyte miRNAs. *RNA Biol.* 2019 Sep;16(9):1237-1248. doi: 10.1080/15476286.2019.1624469. **I.F.: 5.477 (Q1) \* Equal contribution**

## **19. PARP-14 Promotes Survival of Mammalian $\alpha$ but Not $\beta$ Pancreatic Cells Following Cytokine Treatment.**

[2019]

D'Angeli F, Scalia M, Cirnigliaro M, Satriano C, Barresi V, Musso N, Trovato-Salinaro A, **Barbagallo D**, Ragusa M, Di Pietro C, Purrello M, Spina-Purrello V. PARP-14 Promotes Survival of Mammalian  $\alpha$  but Not  $\beta$  Pancreatic Cells Following Cytokine Treatment. *Front Endocrinol (Lausanne).* 2019 May 3;10:271. doi: 10.3389/fendo.2019.00271. eCollection 2019. **I.F.: 3.634 (Q2)**

## **20. Extracellular Vesicles in Human Oogenesis and Implantation.**

[2019]

Andronico F, Battaglia R, Ragusa M, **Barbagallo D**, Purrello M, Di Pietro C. Extracellular Vesicles in Human Oogenesis and Implantation. *Int J Mol Sci.* 2019 May 1;20(9). pii: E2162. doi: 10.3390/ijms20092162. **I.F.: 4.183 (Q2)**

## **21. CircSMARCA5 Regulates VEGFA mRNA Splicing and Angiogenesis in Glioblastoma Multiforme Through the binding of SRSF1.**

[2019]

**Barbagallo D**, Caponnetto A, Brex D, Mirabella F, Barbagallo C, Lauretta G, Morrone A, Certo F, Broggi G, Caltabiano R, Barbagallo GM, Spina-Purrello V, Ragusa M, Di Pietro C, Hansen TB, Purrello M. CircSMARCA5 Regulates VEGFA mRNA Splicing and Angiogenesis in Glioblastoma Multiforme Through the binding of SRSF1. *Cancers (Basel).* 2019 Feb 7;11(2). pii: E194. doi: 10.3390/cancers11020194. **I.F.: 6.162 (Q1)**

## **22. Identification of extracellular vesicles and characterization of miRNA expression profiles in human blastocoel fluid.**

[2019]

Battaglia R, Palini S, Vento ME, La Ferlita A, Lo Faro MJ, Caroppo E, Borzi P, Falzone L, **Barbagallo D**, Ragusa M, Scalia M, D'Amato G, Scollo P, Musumeci P, Purrello M, Gravotta E, Di Pietro C. Identification of extracellular vesicles and characterization of miRNA expression profiles in human blastocoel fluid. *Scientific Reports.* 2019 Jan 14;9(1):84. doi: 10.1038/s41598-018-36452-7. **I.F.: 4.011 (Q1)**

## **23. Upregulated microRNAs in Membranous Glomerulonephropathy are associated with significant downregulation of IL6 and MYC mRNAs.**

[2019]

Barbagallo C, Passanisi R, Mirabella F, Cirnigliaro M, Costanzo A, Lauretta G, **Barbagallo D**, Bianchi C, Pagni F, Castorina S, Granata A, Di Pietro C, Ragusa M, Malatino L, Purrello M. Upregulated microRNAs in Membranous Glomerulonephropathy are associated with significant downregulation of IL6 and MYC mRNAs. *J Cell Physiol.* 2019 Aug;234(8):12625-12636. doi: 10.1002/jcp.27851. **I.F.: 4.522 (Q2)**



## **24. LncRNA UCA1, upregulated in CRC biopsies and downregulated in serum exosomes, controls mRNA expression by RNA-RNA interactions.**

[2018]

Barbagallo C, Brex D, Caponnetto A, Cirnigliaro M, Scalia M, Magnano A, Caltabiano R, **Barbagallo D**, Biondi A, Cappellani A, Basile F, Di Pietro C, Purrello M, Ragusa M. LncRNA UCA1, upregulated in CRC biopsies and downregulated in serum exosomes, controls mRNA expression by RNA-RNA interactions. 2018. *Mol Ther Nucleic Acids*. 2018 Sep 7;12:229-241. doi: 10.1016/j.omtn.2018.05.009. **I.F.: 5.660 (Q1)**

## **25. CircSMARCA5 Inhibits Migration of Glioblastoma Multiforme Cells by Regulating a Molecular Axis Involving Splicing Factors SRSF1/SRSF3/PTB.**

[2018]

**Barbagallo D**, Caponnetto A, Cirnigliaro M, Brex D, Barbagallo C, D'Angeli F, Morrone A, Caltabiano R, Barbagallo GM, Ragusa M, Di Pietro C, Hansen TB, Purrello M. CircSMARCA5 Inhibits Migration of Glioblastoma Multiforme Cells by Regulating a Molecular Axis Involving Splicing Factors SRSF1/SRSF3/PTB. *Int J Mol Sci*. 2018 Feb 6;19(2). pii: E480. doi: 10.3390/ijms19020480. **I.F.: 3.687 (Q2)**

## **26. Noncoding RNAs in Health and Disease.**

[2018]

**Barbagallo D**, Vittone G, Romani M, Purrello M. Noncoding RNAs in Health and Disease. *Int J Genomics*. 2018 Jan 22;2018:9135073. doi: 10.1155/2018/9135073. eCollection 2018. **I.F.: 1.904 (Q3)**

## **27. Asymmetric RNA distribution among cells and their secreted exosomes: biomedical meaning and considerations on diagnostic applications.**

[2017]

Ragusa M, Barbagallo C, Cirnigliaro M, Battaglia R, Brex D, Caponnetto A, **Barbagallo D**, Di Pietro C, Purrello M. Asymmetric RNA distribution among cells and their secreted exosomes: biomedical meaning and considerations on diagnostic applications. *Front Mol Biosci*. 2017 Oct 4;4:66. doi: 10.3389/fmolb.2017.00066. eCollection 2017.

## **28. Molecular crosstalk among Noncoding RNAs: a new network layer of genome regulation in cancer.**

[2017]

Ragusa M, Barbagallo C, Brex D, Caponnetto A, Cirnigliaro M, Battaglia R, **Barbagallo D**, Di Pietro C, Purrello M. Molecular crosstalk among Noncoding RNAs: a new network layer of genome regulation in cancer. *Int J Genomics*. 2017;2017:4723193. doi: 10.1155/2017/4723193. Epub 2017 Sep 24. **I.F.: 1.904 (Q3)**

## **29. Expression and Regulatory Network Analysis of miR-140-3p, a New Potential Serum Biomarker for Autism Spectrum Disorder.**

[2017]

Cirnigliaro M, Barbagallo C, Gulisano M, Domini CN, Barone R, **Barbagallo D**, Ragusa M, Di Pietro C, Rizzo R, Purrello M. Expression and Regulatory Network Analysis of miR-140-3p, a New Potential Serum Biomarker for Autism Spectrum Disorder. *Front Mol Neurosci*. 2017 Aug 10;10:250. doi: 10.3389/fnmol.2017.00250. eCollection 2017. **I.F.: 3.902 (Q2)**

### **30. Non-coding RNAs in the Ovarian Follicle.**

[2017]

Battaglia R, Vento ME, Borzì P, Ragusa M, **Barbagallo D**, Arena D, Purrello M, Di Pietro C. Non-coding RNAs in the Ovarian Follicle. *Front Genet*. 2017 May 12;8:57. doi: 10.3389/fgene.2017.00057. eCollection 2017. **I.F.: 4.151 (Q1)**

### **31. miRNAs in the vitreous humor of patients affected by idiopathic epiretinal membrane and macular hole.**

[2017]

Russo A, Ragusa M, Barbagallo C, Longo A, Avitabile T, Uva MG, Bonfiglio V, Toro MD, Caltabiano R, Mariotti C, Boscia F, Romano MR, Di Pietro C, **Barbagallo D**, Purrello M, Reibaldi M. miRNAs in the vitreous humor of patients affected by idiopathic epiretinal membrane and macular hole. *PLoS One*. 2017 Mar 22;12(3):e0174297. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0174297. eCollection 2017. **I.F.: 2.766 (Q1)**

### **32. MicroRNAs Are Stored in Human MII Oocyte and Their Expression Profile Changes in Reproductive Aging.**

[2016]

Battaglia R, Vento ME, Ragusa M, **Barbagallo D**, La Ferlita A, Di Emidio G, Borzì P, Artini PG, Scollo P, Tatone C, Purrello M, Di Pietro C. MicroRNAs Are Stored in Human MII Oocyte and Their Expression Profile Changes in Reproductive Aging. *Biol Reprod*. 2016 Dec;95(6):131. doi: 10.1095/biolreprod.116.142711. Epub 2016 Nov 9. **I.F.: 3.184 (Q1)**

### **33. Altered expression of miRNAs and methylation of their promoters are correlated in neuroblastoma.**

[2016]

Maugeri M\*, **Barbagallo D\***, Barbagallo C, Banelli B, Di Mauro S, Purrello F, Magro G, Ragusa M, Di Pietro C, Romani M, Purrello M. Altered expression of miRNAs and methylation of their promoters are correlated in neuroblastoma. *Oncotarget*. 2016 Dec 13;7(50):83330-83341. doi: 10.18632/oncotarget.13090. **I.F.: 5.168 (Q1) \***  
**Equal contribution**

### **34. Epigenetic dysregulation in neuroblastoma: A tale of miRNAs and DNA methylation.**

[2016]

Parodi F, Carosio R, Ragusa M, Di Pietro C, Maugeri M, **Barbagallo D**, Sallustio F, Allemanni G, Pistillo MP, Casciano I, Forlani A, Schena FP, Purrello M, Romani M, Banelli B. Epigenetic dysregulation in neuroblastoma: A tale of miRNAs and DNA methylation. *Biochim Biophys Acta*. 2016 Dec;1859(12):1502-1514. doi: 10.1016/j.bbagr.2016.10.006. Epub 2016 Oct 15. **I.F.: 5.179 (Q1)**

### **35. miRNAs Plasma Profiles in Vascular Dementia: Biomolecular Data and Biomedical implications.**

[2016]

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## ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (SELECTION)

### Identification of a new Molecular Network within Human Glioblastoma Multiforme (GBM): circSMARCA5 Regulates VEGFA mRNA Splicing and Angiogenesis by Binding to SRSF1

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### The role of circular RNA SMARCA5 (circSMARCA5) in the pathogenesis of Glioblastoma Multiforme.

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### miR-296-3p, miR-298-5p and their downstream networks are causally involved in the higher resistance of mammalian pancreatic $\alpha$ cells to cytokine-induced apoptosis as compared to $\beta$ cells.

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