

Prof. RENATA AURICCHIO

Full Professor of General and Specialized Pediatrics (MEDS-20/A)



PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Biosketch

Academic & Clinical Appointments

- **Research Center Director:** Director of the Interuniversity Center "European Laboratory for the Study of Food-Induced Diseases (ELFID)" at the University "Federico II" in July 2024.
- **Clinical Leadership:** Head of the Regional Reference Center for Celiac Disease at AOU "Federico II" (since November 2017) and the Ward Head for Specialized Pediatrics (since January 2023).
- **Gastroenterology Management:** Serves as the Head of the Day Hospital and Pediatric Clinical Gastroenterology and Dyslipidemia Outpatient Clinic, alongside managing the 2nd Level Program in Clinical Gastroenterology.
- **Medical Director:** Working as a Medical Director at AOU "Federico II" with an exclusive relationship since 2006.

Research Leadership & Funding Success

Prof. Auricchio has built a distinguished profile as a principal investigator and scientific coordinator, securing prominent national and international grants:

- **International Grants:** Serves as Unit Head for the European project *HORIZON-HLTH-2022-STAYHLTH-02 (INITIALISE)*, securing €203,750 over 5 years. She also received the *ESPGHAN Networking Funding 2017 (€25,000)* as the main applicant for the "NeoCel" project.
- **National PNRR & PRIN Funding:** Operates as Unit Head for a PNRR Proof of Concept 2022 project (€120,000) and a PNRR pediatric screening algorithm project (€318,000). Additionally, she is the Scientific Coordinator and Unit Head for a PRIN project focused on celiac disease diagnosis (€229,518).
- **Multicenter Studies:** Acts as the local Scientific Head for major initiatives including the European-funded "Prevent CD" multicenter study and the "NEOCEL" celiac disease prevention project.

Scientific Production & Bibliometrics

According to Scopus tracking, Prof. Auricchio has maintained a high-impact, prolific publication record:

- **Total Publications:** 136 papers published *in extenso*.
- **Authorship Leadership:** Highly represented in primary authorship slots, including 12 papers as first author, 2 as joint-first author, 17 as second author, and 18 as senior/last author.
- **Citation Impact:** Accumulated 6,139 total citations, maintaining an average of 45.1 citations per paper and an **H-index of 36**.
- **Cumulative Impact Factor:** Achieved a total Impact Factor (IF) of 1147.01, with an average IF of 8.4 per publication.
- **Core Research Tracks:** Her primary investigative axes encompass the prevention and natural history of celiac disease, identification of innovative diagnostic biomarkers, genetics of gastrointestinal disorders, the gut's role in type 1 diabetes pathogenesis, and early cardiovascular risk prevention in children.

International & National Society Leadership

- **ESPGHAN:** A member since 2006 and a core participant in the Celiac Disease Working Group since 2007, she was appointed Secretary of the Celiac Disease Study Group in 2023.
- **ISSCD & ESSCD:** Acts as the Head of the international study group "Before Celiac Disease (B4CeD)" for the International Society for the Study of Celiac Disease since 2024 and was a Board Member of the European Society for the Study of Celiac Disease from 2017 to 2024.
- **SIGENP (Italian Society of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition):** Served in multiple governance roles, including Board Member (2013–2016) and Area Head for food-related diseases across multiple terms (2010–2013; 2022–present).

Editorial Roles & Academic Service

- **Journal Editorship:** Serves as Associate Editor for the *Journal of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition* and Deputy in Chief Editor for *Journal of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition Reports* since February 2020.
- **Academic Specialization Leadership:** Appointed Vice Director of the Pediatrics Specialization School at University "Federico II" as of June 2025.
- **Thesis Supervision:** Acted as the primary thesis advisor (relatore) for 32 MD theses, 16 Masters' in nursing theses, and 24 Pediatric Nursing theses.