

Departmental Faculty	Medicine and Surgery
Research theme	Identification of clinical and biological associations between specific patho/genotypes of inflammatory arthritis and metabolic/endocrine diseases
Brief description of the research	Endocrine/metabolic diseases are a common comorbidity in inflammatory arthritis. In this research program, we will extensively evaluate the clinical characteristics of patients with rheumatoid arthritis with concurrent type 2 diabetes mellitus and patients with psoriatic arthritis with concurrent metabolic syndrome. Additionally, the target tissue of inflammatory arthritis, the synovium, will be compared in populations with and without endocrine/metabolic comorbidities, also using omics approaches. Furthermore, synoviocyte and immune system cell cultures from patients with inflammatory arthritis (rheumatoid arthritis and psoriatic arthritis) with and without endocrine/metabolic comorbidities will be performed to assess the role of potential pathogenetic or pharmacological molecules, such as GLP-1, leptin, and adiponectin.
Scientific Supervisor	Prof. Roberto Giacomelli
Scientific Disciplinary Sector	MED/16 – Rheumatology
Language knowledge and skills	English B2
Date of the interview	26 <sup>th</sup> February 2024, at 12:00 am Remote candidates on Microsoft Teams platform

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