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Prof. M. Divizia was born in Rome in 1951 and he took his scientific high school degree in 1970-71 and the biological degree in 1975-76 with the maximum with lauda.

In the academic years 1976-77 and 1977-78 he organised the student training for the hygiene course in Biological Science.

In 1977 he followed a micro-technique course in Parma, Italy. In 1977 he won two competitive examination at The National Centre for Research. In 1978 he won an annual grant of the Fondazione Cenci-Bolognetti to go for one year in the Institute Pasteur of Brabant-Bruxelles (Belgium). During this period he worked in the Dr. J. Content's laboratory. In the period September 1981 until September 1982 he had a grant from the NIH (National Institute of Health) to spend as Postdoctoral fellow in the laboratory of Prof. C. Baglioni at the New York University at Albany (New York).

In 1984 he won a competitive examination as Researcher at the Tor Vergata University, Department of Public Health, Faculty of Medicine.

In 1987 he became a Master degree in Microbiology with the maximum cum lauda.

In 1988 and 1989 he had two courses at the High Institute of Health, and in 1988 he was invited as specialised in environmental virology.

In 1989 he was for 15 days in the Microbiology Laboratory at the Department of Microbiology, University of Barcelona, Prof. J. Jofre.

In cooperation with Prof.s. Deloince, Peres, Lucena, Bosch, Jofre, Schwartzbrod he wrote a book on Environmental Virology: Virologie du Milieu Hydriques.

During the period 1991-1996 he was coordinator for the project for the improvement of Medical Research Institute in Alexandria, Egypt for the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He spent one month in the Medical Research Institute in 1992 and two months in 1993.

In 1992 he organised and participated at the First European Symposium on Environmental Virology.

During the Fourth National Conference on Public Health (1993) he had a conference on Environmental diagnosis for Hepatitis A virus.

In 1993 he started a collaboration, still in progress, with the Institute of Public Health in Tirane during an UNICEF project, whereas in 1995 he spent few days in the laboratory of Prof. J. Pillot, Institute Pasteur, France. During the cooperation in the Public Health in Tirane he published several papers.

In 1993 he started a cooperation with the "Istituto per la nutrizione delle piante" to prepare a book for standard methods to be applied in environmental virology; at the same time he wrote the official lines to be applied for the C4 parameters in drinking waters.

In 1999 he had a course on hepatitis A virus in Environmental Virology, whereas in June 1999 he had a course on Hepatitis A virus detection and molecular analysis at the Quilmes University, Argentina in the European Project INCO DC, ER3514PL973098.

Starting from November 2000, he became Associated Professor in Hygiene at then University of Tor Vergata.

The Prof. Divizia had several courses in Hygiene and in particular in School of Nursing, Specialisation School of Hygiene, Dentistry, and Engineering, he has project with different University and Institutes in Italy and outside, he has the coordinator of the Environmental Virology at the Hygiene Chair at the Tor Vergata University.

The Prof. Divizia had several grants from University, National Centre of Research, MIUR, a bilateral Project with Prof. R. Deloince, a project FATMA (CNR). In 1991 for more ten years he was financed by ACEA-Roma for the virological analysis of drinking waters. In 1996 he had a grant from the Ministry of Health to analyse the presence of poliovirus in the environment, in the 1998-99 he participated to a project called 1% grant for the Research financed by the High Institute of Health.

In 1998 he had a scientific research project from the MIUR entitled: "Viral enteric hepatitis: epidemiology, environmental diffusion and molecular biology". Head of the project was Prof. Panà. In 1999 he had a grant with Prof. Volpi from the ISPELS: "Electro and electromagnetic fields in vitro, genomic expression and cytomegalovirus reactivation". DIBIA/B50. In 2000 Prof. Divizia had a grant from the Chambre Syndicale des eaux minerales francaise". In 2000 he was co-author of a PRIN entitled: "Molecular epidemiology of the enteric hepatitis". Head of the project was Prof. Panà.

In 2001 he has participated to write the book "Methods for the analysis for the water to be used in agriculture". Coordinator Prof. Mecella, Franco Angeli Editor for the Istituto per l'nutrizione delle piante.

In 2001 he had a project from the ISPELS entitled: "Exposure to the HAV, HEV, Calicivirus and Poliovirus of the wastewater workers". Research n.B/19/DIL/01. In 2001 he had a grant from the Zooprofilattic Institute Latium and Tuscania entitled: "Molluscs for human consumption", whereas in 2002 he had a grant from the Zooprofilattic Institute of Sardinia entitled: "Virus in molluscs, genomic correlation with the human cases". In the period 2002-2004 he had a grant from Laboratori (ACEA) for the virological analysis on cell culture and RT-PCR using the wastewaters.

In 2003 he was co-author of the PRIN: "Molecular epidemiology of the viral enteric infection". Head of the project was Prof. Panà.

In 2004 he had Community European project in the 6^o framework, head Prof. D. Kay: "Methods for concentration and detection Adenovirus and Norovirus in European bathing waters with referent to the revision of bathing water directive 76/160/EEC. Virobathe project.

In 204-2005 he was subcontractor in the 6^o European Community project, head for the Italian counterpart Dott. Tandoi, National Research Council.

In 2004 he wrote a book for the Italian Society of Hygiene: "Molecular methods in public health". Editor. G. Giammanco and S. De Flora.

In 2005 he had a Unit in the Prin, head Prof. Coppola, "New vaccine and epidemiological knowhow for their application".

In November 2006 he became Full Professor in Hygiene at the University of Tor Vergata.

In 2013 he had a project in the 7th European Community Project, Director Prof. Noemi Rozlosnisk, and he was responsible an unit: Aquavir project.

Actually, he has two official courses in Hygiene in Dentistry and Environmental Hygiene Medicine. Moreover starting from 2007 he has President of degree course in Technician for the prevention in the working area and environment" till 2013. Other official courses are in four three-year degrees, in specialization school, in master and one update course for Carabinieri. Starting from 2001 he has Professor at the Catholic University at "Nostra Signora del Buon Consiglio" at Tirane, Albania, He has Author and co-Author of more of 160 papers on Italian and foreign journals.