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Biography

Dr. Rovera was born in 1972 in Varese.

She attended Medical School at the University of Pavia (located in Varese) and in 1997 attained a final degree with a thesis on the "Correlation between blood transfusions and postoperative infective complications" with a final evaluation of 110/110 cum Laude.

In 1997 she started her residency in General Surgery, at the University of Insubria-Varese, attending the Department of Surgery under the supervision of Professor Renzo Dionigi.

During these years she participated in several clinical studies involving risk factors for postoperative infections, breast cancer and lung cancer screening.

Since 1997, she has actively participated in the lung cancer screening program in the province of Varese.

She completed her surgical training in General Surgery in 2003 with a final evaluation of 50/50 cum laude.

Qualifications and awards

Assistant Professor in General Surgery, University of Insubria –Varese

1992: Banca Popolare di Luino e di Varese grant (5.000.000 ITL);
1993: Banca Popolare di Luino e di Varese grant (5.000.000 ITL);
1996: Fondazione Famiglia Legnanese grant (4.000.000 ITL); 1997:
AVIS Varese grant (2.000.000 ITL).

Research interests

Dr. Rovera is involved in several clinical research studies regarding breast cancer surgery and radioimmuno-guided node dissection in breast cancer; risk factors for postoperative infections and postoperative sepsis.

Teaching experience and appointments

Dr. Francesca Rovera has been appointed as clinical lecturer in Surgery by the University of Insubria in Varese, where she is currently giving lectures to medical students, nurses as well as physiotherapists.

Representative publications

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Clinical interests

Dr. Francesca Rovera is an active member of the surgical staff of the Department of Surgical Sciences at the University of Insubria (Head professor Renzo Dionigi). She is mainly involved in breast cancer surgery as well as several elective and emergency procedures. She has performed several surgical procedures as first surgeon and as assistant.