

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Sex male | Date of birth 16/12/1955 | Nationality France/Israel

WORK EXPERIENCE

2008 - today

Aggregate Professor of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care/ Senior Anaesthesia Consultant

Department of Medical and Surgical Sciences, Medical School of the University of Bologna/ Bologna's University Teaching Hospital.

Major activities: Responsible of the Hospital's Acute Pain Service, the hospital inpatients Pain Service and the centre of Pain Therapy for outpatients with chronic pain; member of the 'Pain free Hospital' committee; Pain medicine and Anaesthesia and Intensive care research and teaching (multiple courses a year on Anaesthesia, Intensive care and Pain Medicine and Therapy for graduate and postgraduate students of the Bologna's University Medical, Residency, Nursing and Master Schools).

2005 - 2007

Assistant Professor of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care/ Senior Anaesthesia Consultant

Department of Surgery and Anaesthesiology Sciences, Medical School of the University of Bologna/Bologna's University Teaching Hospital.

Major activities: Responsible of the Hospital's Acute Pain Service, the hospital inpatients Pain Service and the centre of Pain Therapy for outpatients with chronic pain; member of the 'Pain free Hospital' committee; Pain medicine and Anaesthesia and Intensive care research and teaching (multiple courses a year on Anaesthesia, Intensive care and Pain Medicine and Therapy for graduate and post-graduate students of the Bologna's University Medical, Residency, Nursing and Master Schools).

2004 Researcher and Anaesthesia Consultant

Scholarship from the Bologna's University Department of Surgery and Anaesthesiology Sciences with clinical assignments at the Bologna's University Teaching Hospital (Azienda Universitaria-Ospedaliera di Bologna Policlinico S. Orsola-Malpighi), Italy.

Major activities: Development and implementation of the Acute Pain Service of the Bologna's University Teaching Hospital.

2002-2003

Scientific/research Advisor

'Pain Therapy and Palliative care Centre' of the Infermi Hospital and at Pain school (ISAL) of Rimini, Italy.

Major activities: Conducting and developing activity of study and research on the biological consequences of chronic pain treatment with opioids. In particular, the subjects of this activity were the nociceptin levels in the cerebrospinal fluid of chronic pain patients with or without intrathecal administration of morphine; long-term intra-thecal morphine influence on major compounds of the endocrine system in the elderly population; and, biological consequences of long-term intrathecal administration of opioids. Currently the collaboration with this centre continue as external Scientific Advisor and as a teacher.

1998-2002

Resident

Post-Graduate School of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care, University of Bologna, Italy Major activities: Anaesthesia and Intensive Care residency

1995-1998

PhD Student

Laboratory of Neurophysiology, Department of Human and General Physiology, University of Bologna, Italy.

Conducting research, neurophysiological experiments and neuronal activity registration from primates' brain with regard to the neurophysiology of vision. Business or sector Human Physiology and Neurophysiology

1990-1994

Junior Assistant - Medical Student internship



Laboratory of Neurophysiology, Department of Human and General Physiology, University of Bologna, Italy

Conducting research, neurophysiological experiments and neuronal activity registration from primates' brain with regard to the neurophysiology of vision. Business or sector Human Physiology and Neurophysiology

MAJOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2011 Master Degree

Master's course in Directory functions for the Management of Health Services, the University of Bologna School of Health Sciences.

Scholarship at the University of Bologna

Scholarship from the Bologna's University Department of Surgery and Anaesthesiology Sciences with clinical assignments at the Bologna's University Teaching Hospital (Azienda Universitaria-Ospedaliera di Bologna Policlinico S. Orsola-Malpighi), Italy.

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²⁰⁰² Visiting Fellow

'Pain Therapy Centre' of the Brigham and Women's teaching Hospital of the Harvard Medical School, Boston USA,

Major activities: Acquiring important professional notions and techniques for the treatment of acute and chronic pain.

1998 - 2002 Specialist In Anaesthesia and Intensive Care 'Cum Laude'

Residency at the Bologna's University Post-Graduate School of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care. Graduation in 2002 having discussed an experimental dissertation titled "Medicine without pain; Pain therapy education in Medical School".

1995-1998 Phd in Neurosciences

Laboratory of Neurophysiology, Department of Human and General Physiology, University of Bologna, Italy (Organization Office University of L'Aquila, Italy)

Conducting research, neurophysiological experiments and neuronal activity registration from primates' brain with regard to the neurophysiology of vision. Business or sector: Human Physiology and Neurophysiology.

Discussion of dissertation (saccadic eye movement neurones in the primate brain) and PhD degree conferred in 2000.

1995 MD Degree 'Cum Laude'

University of Bologna School of Medicine, Italy

Graduation having discussed an experimental thesis dealing with Physiopathology and Therapy of Cancer and Vascular Pain.



PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s)

Hebrew

Other language(s)

Italian

English

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Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user

Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Communication skills

- Excellent communication skills gained through my experience as graduate and post-graduate teacher.
- Excellent communication skills gained through my experience as a speaker in National and International scientific and non scientific meetings.
- Excellent communication skills gained through my experience as Pain Therapy physician

Organisational / managerial skills

Excellent organisational / managerial and leadership skills which were acquired during my clinical activity as the head of the APS and chronic pain centre of Bologna's Teaching Hospital; and as senior research assignments.

Job-related skills

Replace with any job-related skills not listed elsewhere. Specify in what context they were acquired. Example:

• good command of quality control processes (currently responsible for graduate and post-graduate students at the Bologna' University Medical School)

Computer skills

good command of Microsoft Office™ tools, Reffernce Manager, SPSS, Stata, Statview, Corel, internet.

Driving licence

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Publications

Selected Publications

- Samolsky Dekel BG, Ghedini S, Gori A, Vasarri A, Di Nino G, Melotti RM. Lasting Prolonged-Release Tapentadol for Moderate/Severe Non-Cancer Musculoskeletal Chronic Pain. Pain Ther. 2015 Jan 6. [Epub ahead of print] PMID 25558866. DOI 10.1007/s40122-014-0030-6
- Samolsky Dekel BG, Gori A, Vasarri A, Adversi M, Di Nino G, Melotti RM. Psychometric properties and validation of the Italian version of the Mainz pain staging system as a tool for pain-patients referral selection. J Eval Clin Pract. 2014 Oct;20(5):622-30. doi: 10.1111/jep.12185. Epub 2014 Jun 5.
- Samolsky Dekel BG, Tomasi M, Vasarri A, Gori A, Adversi M, Castagnoli A, Di Nino G, Melotti RM.
 Opioid titration with sustained-release oxycodone and immediate-release morphine for moderate/severe cancer pain: a pilot assessment of the CoDem protocol. J Opioid Manag. 2014 Jan-Feb;10(1):29-38. doi: 10.5055/jom.2014.0189.
- Melilli G, Samolsky Dekel BG, Frenquelli C, Mellone R, Pannuti F. Transdermal opioids for cancer pain control in patients with renal impairment. J Opioid Manag. 2014 Mar-Apr;10(2):85-93. doi: 10.5055/jom.2014.0197.
- B.G. Samolsky Dekel, G.F. Di Nino, R.M. Melotti. Staging patients with chronic Low Back Pain: a first step in stratified pain treatment. Medicina E Chirurgia Ortopedica 2013;4: 76-82. ISSN 2039-8794
- B.G. Samolsky Dekel, S. Varani, R.A. Samolsky Dekel, G. Di Nino, R.M. Melotti. Pain control in the continuity of care. Clinical Management Issues 2014; 8 (3) 83-90
- Di Nino G, Adversi M, Samolsky Dekel BG, Fodale V, Rosa G, Melotti RM.
 Peri-operative risk management in patients with Alzheimer's disease. J Alzheimers Dis. 2010;22 Suppl 3:121-7. doi: 10.3233/JAD-2010-101299. Review.
- Samolsky Dekel BG, Melotti RM, Gargiulo M, Freyrie A, Stella A, Di Nino G. Pain management in peripheral arterial obstructive disease: oral slow-release oxycodone versus epidural I-bupivacaine. Eur J Vasc Endovasc Surg. 2010 Jun;39(6):774-8. Epub 2010 Mar 23.
- Rita Maria Melotti, Boaz Gedaliahu Samolsky Dekel, Francesca Carosi, Ennio Ricchi, Paolo Chiari, Rocco D'Andrea, GianFranco Di Nino. Categories of congruence between inpatient self-reported pain and nurses evaluation. European Journal of Pain Eur J Pain. 2009 Oct;13(9):992-1000. doi: 10.1016/j.ejpain.2008.11.019. Epub 2008 Dec 31.
- W. Raffaeli, BG. Samolsky Dekel, RM. Melotti, D. Righetti, A. Caminiti, M. Balestri, D. Sarti, G. Fanelli. Long-term intrathecal morphine influence on major compounds of the endocrine system in elderly population. European Journal of Pain.2009.08.002
- 11. BG. Samolsky Dekel, RM Melotti, F. Carosi, FD Spinelli, R. D'Andrea, GF Di Nino. "Major abdominal surgery and post-operative pain control. Are protocols enough?" Transplantation Proceedings, 40, 1218–1220 (2008)
- 12. BG Samolsky Dekel, C. Morett, F. Sangiorgi, RM. Melotti, GF. Di Nino. La via peridurale: confronto tra metodiche di somministrazione. PATHOS 2007;14:1 pp 11-16
- 13. Raffaeli W, Samolsky Dekel BG, Landuzzi D, Caminiti, Righetti D, Balestri M, Montanari F, Romualdi P, Candeletti S. Nociceptin levels in the cerebrospinal fluid of chronic pain patients with or without intrathecal administration of morphine. J Pain Symptom Manage 2006;32(4) pp. 372-377
- Raffaelli W, Salmosky-Dekel BG. Biological consequences of long-term intrathecal administration of opioids. Minerva Anestesiol. 2005 Jul-Aug;71(7-8):475-8.
- 15. Melotti RM, Samolsky Dekel BG, Ricchi E, Chiari P, Di Giacinto I, Carosi F, Di Nino G. Pain prevalence and predictors among inpatients in a major Italian teaching hospital. A baseline survey towards a pain free hospital. Eur J Pain. 2005 Oct;9(5):485-95. Epub 2004 Nov 6
- 16. Maioli MG, Squatrito S, Samolsky-Dekel BG, Sanseverino ER. Corticocortical connections between frontal periarcuate regions and visual areas of the superior temporal sulcus and the adjoining inferior parietal lobule in the macaque monkey. Brain Res. 1998 Apr 6;789(1):118-25.

Project

Between 2001 and 2002 Dr Samolsky-Dekel promoted a vast research program at the Bologna's Teaching Hospital that aimed at the definition of pain prevalence and predictors among inpatients in a major Italian teaching hospital, the quantification of categories of congruence between inpatient self-reported pain and nurses evaluation in the hospital context as well as the issues of pain education in Medical, Residency and nursing schools. The results of this research program helped to obtain a better definition of pain therapy issues at the Bologna's University Teaching Hospital.

Miscellaneous

Besides the aforesaid teaching, clinical and academic activities, he has participated as speaker in numerous national and international congresses, and he is the author of numerous publications regarding the issues of Pain, Neurosciences and Anaesthesia (see below for selected publications). His research activity focuses on pain evaluation in acute and chronic pain contexts, post-operative pain treatment, opioid titration and interference with biological systems, chronic pain patients prognostic issues and cancer pain.

From 2015 he was appointed as the Scientific Director of the non-profit International Foundation called 'No Pain' of Malta, Europe.

Bologna, 16/06/2015 Dr Boaz Samolsky-Dekel