

Biography Marco G. Patti

Marco G. Patti was born and raised in Catania, Italy. He graduated from the University of Catania, School of Medicine in 1981. Between 1983 and 1986 he did research at the University of California San Francisco studying gastrointestinal physiology under the supervision of Dr. Carlos Pellegrini and Dr. Lawrence Way. Between 1986 and 1993, he completed a Residency in General Surgery at UCSF. After completion of his residency, he did a fellowship in esophageal cancer at the Queen Mary Hospital in Hong Kong, under the supervision of Professor John Wong.

In 1994, he joined the faculty of the Department of Surgery of the University of California San Francisco and over the following 14 years, he became Professor of Surgery in Residence and the Director of the Center for the Study of Gastrointestinal Motility and Secretion.

In 2008, he joined the faculty of the University of Chicago, Pritzker School of Medicine as Professor of Surgery and Director of the Center for Esophageal Diseases.

In 2016, he moved to the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill as Professor of Medicine and Surgery, and Co-Director of the Center of Esophageal Diseases and Swallowing.

.Dr. Patti's clinical activity focuses on foregut disorders. Over the years, he has given major contribution to the diagnosis and treatment of gastroesophageal reflux disease and achalasia. Dr. Patti has published more than 280 manuscripts in peer review journals, 130 book chapters, and 6 books. He is a member of numerous scientific organizations including the American College of Surgeons, the American Surgical Association, the Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract. He is also Past President of the International Society for Digestive Surgery and Past President of the International Society of Surgery. He was Congress President for the World Congress of Surgery in August 2017 in Basel, Switzerland. He has lectured extensively in North and South America, Europe and Asia.

During his career, he has mentored hundreds of fellows from all over the world, particularly from Italy. In recognition of this activity, on October 8, 2011 the Italian Government awarded Dr. Patti the Carlo Urbani Award "Il Medico d'Italia", the highest recognition for dedication to education.