Virgilio Program
Annual Meeting 2026
October 27, 2026 - 14.00-18.00

14.00 – 14.30 WELCOME ADDRESS
- **Chiara Torre**, Vice Rector for Teaching and Learning, University of Milan
- **Francesco Blasi**, President of the Managing Committee - Faculty of Medicine, University of Milan
- **Silvia Della Bella**, Virgilio Program Director, University of Milan

14.30 – 15.00 THE PHYSICIAN-SCIENTIST CAREER – Keynote Lectures
"The Physician-Scientist: Building Bridges Between Research and Clinical Medicine"
Paolo Corradini, Virgilio Program mentor, University of Milan

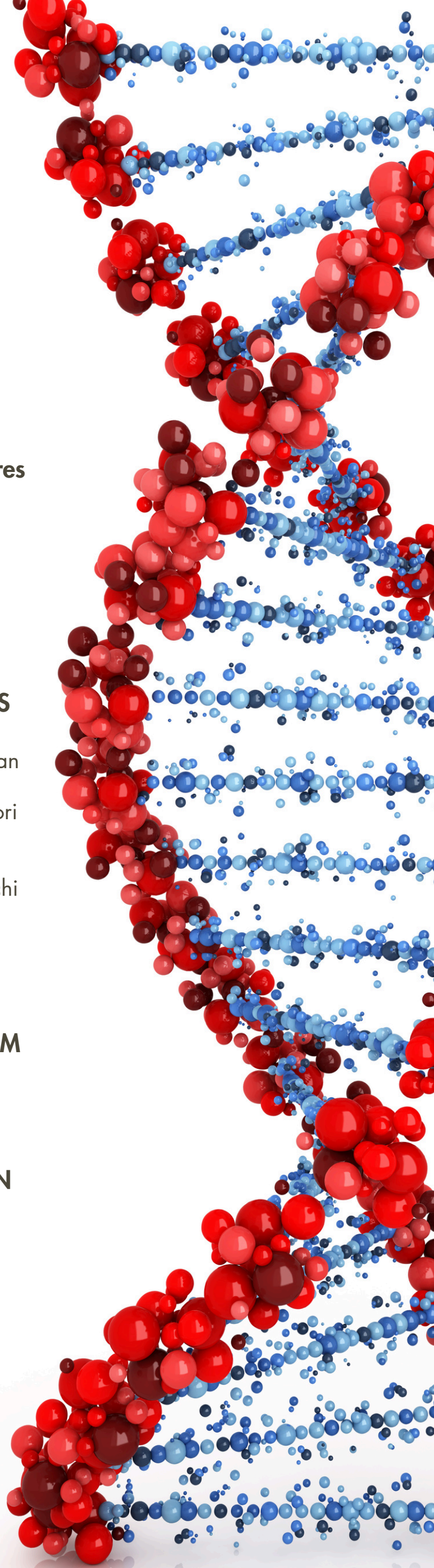
"From Virgilio Student to Research Fellow: A Path from Medicine to Fundamental Science"
Francesco Luciano, alumnus Virgilio Program 1st cohort, University of Milan

15.00 – 16.00 ROUND TABLE: THE ROLE OF PHYSICIAN-SCIENTISTS IN ITALIAN RESEARCH-INTENSIVE HOSPITALS
Moderator: Prof. Massimo Locati, Virgilio Program Mentor, University of Milan
- **Fabio Blandini,** Scientific Director, Fondazione IRCCS Ca' Granda
- **Paolo Corradini,** Scientific Director ff, IRCCS Istituto Nazionale dei Tumori
- **Pietro Invernizzi,** Scientific Director, IRCCS Ospedale San Gerardo dei Tintori
- **Cristina Messa**, Scientific Director, IRCCS Fondazione Don Carlo Gnocchi
- **Giuseppe Lauria Pinter**, Scientific Director, IRCCS Istituto Neurologico Besta
- **Luigi Maria Terracciano**, Scientific Director, IRCCS Istituto Clinico Humanitas

16.00 – 16.30 GRADUATION CEREMONY – 6th VIRGILIO PROGRAM COHORT
Testimonials from Students, Tutors and Faculty
Awarding of Diplomas

16.30 – 16.50 NURTURING THE NEXT GENERATION OF PHYSICIAN SCIENTISTS
Fondazione Cariplo
Fondazione Vollaro

16.50 – 17.00 CLOSING REMARKS
- **Silvia Brunelli,** Virgilio Program Director, University of Milano-Bicocca
- **Marinos Kallikourdis**, Virgilio Program Director, Humanitas University



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