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Augusto Caraceni, was born in Milan on August, the 8th 1960, where he lives with his wife and two sons. After graduating from medical school at the Università degli Studi di Milano in 1985, he was board certified in Clinical Neurophysiology (1988) and in Neurology (1993) at the Università di Pavia.

While training in pain therapy and in palliative care at the National Cancer Institute of Milan in 1986 with Vittorio Ventafridda, Dr Caraceni participated in the WHO program to test and disseminate the WHO ladder for cancer pain relief. He was also a Clinical Fellow in Neurology and Palliative care at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, in New York in 1994.

His main previous office was the vicepresidency of the European Association of Palliative Care 2006-2010. His clinical and research experience include the palliative treatment of advanced cancer, neurological complications of cancer, cancer pain classification assessment and treatment with particular attention to opioid analgesics, and symptom control with a special interest in delirium.

He is the author of more than 160 scientific articles in indexed journals, on palliative care, cancer pain and cancer care and of more than 80 other publications. With Luigi Grassi, he published the monographic book, "Delirium: acute confusional states in palliative medicine", Oxford University Press 2nd ed 2011 and is presently responsible of the Cancer pain guidelines development group of the European Association for Palliative Care.