

The "Ospedali Riuniti" in Foggia Start Treating **Covid-19 Patients with Oxygen Ozone Therapy**

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With a resolution signed on April 16, Dr. Vitangelo Dattoli, General Manager of the University Hospital "Ospedali Riuniti" of Foggia, announced the authorization of the non-profit clinical trial for the use of ozone as an adjuvant in the current emergency by Covid-19. The medical protocol used will be the one formulated by SIOOT (Scientific Society of Ozone Ozone Therapy).

The experimentation will be carried out in the Anaesthesia and Resuscitation Department with the assignment given to Professor Lucia Mirabella.

The resolution follows the decision of the Ethics Committee that expressed a favourable opinion on 14 April 2020.

The confirmation that the Ospedali Riuniti di Foggia will begin to use ozone oxygen to treat people positive for Covid-19 is good news, which confirms the practice of ozone therapy as a means to fight the coronavirus.

In an attempt to learn more about how these developments have come about, "Orbisphera" interviewed Dr. Giuseppe Masiello, a surgeon associated with SIOOT and an expert in pain therapy.

Dr. Masiello works at the Hospice "Villa Eden" in Turi and practices ozone therapy at the Polimedical IGEA in Capurso. Two medical facilities in the province of Bari.

Dr. Masiello's interest in ozone started about four years ago, when he was trying to find a cure for a painful fibromyalgia his wife suffered from.

Looking for information on the type of pathology and specialists able to propose treatment protocols, Masiello discovered the Scientific Society of Ozone Ozone Therapy (SIOOT) and met Prof. Marianno Franzini.

He then went to Gorle, where his wife started to treat fibromyalgia with ozone oxygen. The results were excellent. Hence the idea of introducing ozone therapy in Puglia as well.

For about three years Dr. Masiello has been using ozone therapy to treat hernias and disc protrusions, various pains from inflammation, viral infections such as labial and genital herpes, and shingles, better



known as St. Anthony's Fire. Thanks to ozone oxygen, it also treats ulcers and arteriopathies with great effectiveness.

"With 5 or 6 sessions of ozone oxygen - explained Masiello - it is possible to cure shingles in a certain and lasting way, eliminating the risk of pain or latent infections".

In March 2018, Dr. Masiello spoke at the International Congress on Ozone Oxygen which took place at the Pontifical Seraphicum Faculty in Rome, presenting work carried out on 15 cases of patients whose lower limbs had been amputated.

Ozone oxygen contributed to the resumption of blood circulation and the definitive closure of ulcers. Even the very infected sores have healed clearly.

These experiences enabled Dr Masiello to gain a thorough understanding of the viral action of ozone. For this reason, as soon as the number of cases of Covid-19 increased in Italy, he felt almost daily with Prof. Franzini to contribute to the study of a treatment protocol that would use ozone oxygen against the coronavirus.

Masiello spoke with several colleagues about the healing qualities of ozone. Among them also the General Director of the "Ospedali Riuniti" in Foggia, Dr. Vitangelo Dattoli, who took the opportunity and started the authorization procedure to use ozone oxygen as a cure for Covid-19 patients.

All interested parties, starting with Professor Lucia Mirabella who heads the Anaesthesia and Resuscitation Department, declared themselves available and attentive.

The intervention of Professor Gilda Cinella, who, as director of the Anaesthesia and Resuscitation Department of the "Ospedali Riuniti" of Foggia, on April 10th presented to the Interprovincial Ethics Committee the request for authorization to test ozone oxygen on Covid-19 positive patients.

The application specified that the project is "non-profit" and does not entail any financial burden for the Hospital. Ozone oxygen treatment services do not involve the purchase of medicines and are part of normal care services.

According to what Dr. Masiello says, it will take at least ten days to get the first results, and at that point the Director General himself will communicate them.

Meanwhile, a study entitled "Potential mechanisms by which the oxygen-ozone (O2-O3) therapy could contribute to the treatment against the coronavirus COVID-19" has been published in the European Review for Medical and Pharmacological Sciences.



The study presents the results of 46 Covid-19 positive patients treated with oxygen-ozone therapy. The authors are: Luigi Valdenassi, Marianno Franzini, Giovanni Ricevuti, Luca Rinaldi, Umberto Tirelli.

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