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Dr. Tomaselli’s clinical expertise includes acquired and inherited cardiac arrhythmias such as atrial fibrillation, ventricular tachycardia and heritable diseases of cardiac rhythm such as long QT syndrome. His research is focused on the fundamental basis of excitability in the heart and his laboratory studies this problem at multiple levels of integration from molecules and cells to abnormalities of heart rhythm in patients. More recently his work has also focused on the role of the major molecular determinant of selectivity, the outer pore, on slow inactivation gating, and in the electrical remodeling that occurs in the context of structural heart disease.
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