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Education

2004-2008: Ph.D. in Immunology and Cellular Biology at the Department of Biomedical Sciences and Human Oncology, University of Torino

1999-2004: BS/MS Degree in Medical Biotechnology at University of Torino. Graduated summa cum laude

Current position

December 2019-present: Assistant Professor, Department of Molecular Biotechnology and Health Sciences, University of Torino

Scientific training

April 2016-December 2019: Senior Scientist, Dr Jänne Laboratory Medical Oncology Department, Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, USA

November 2009 – March 2016: Postdoc, Dr Barbacid Laboratory, Experimental Oncology Department, CNIO, Madrid, Spain

December 2008 - November 2009: Post Doctoral Fellow in Prof R. Chiarle laboratory, CeRMS (Center of Research in Experimental Medicine), University of Torino, Italy

2004-2008: PhD training in Prof R. Chiarle laboratory, CeRMS (Center of Research in Experimental Medicine), University of Torino, Italy

Publications

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- mutated in a dileucine internalization motif reinstates IFNgamma signaling and apoptosis in human T lymphocytes. *Immunol Lett.* 2010; 2010.
- 15) Di Paolo D*, Ambrogio C*, Pastorino F, ..., Perri P. Selective Therapeutic Targeting of the Anaplastic Lymphoma Kinase With Liposomal siRNA Induces Apoptosis and Inhibits Angiogenesis in Neuroblastoma. *Mol Ther.* 2011. *equally contributed
- 16) Bosio Y, Berto G, Camera P, Bianchi F, **Ambrogio C**, Claus P, Di Cunto F. PPP4R2 regulates neuronal cell differentiation and survival, functionally cooperating with SMN. *Eur J Cell Biol.* 2012
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- 43) Menotti M, **Ambrogio C**, ..., Chiarle R. Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome protein (WASP) is a tumor suppressor in T cell lymphoma. *Nat Med.* 2018
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Meetings and Communications (speaker, last 5 years)

- 1) CNIO-Frontiers Meeting: "NEW TRENDS IN ANTICANCER DRUG DEVELOPMENT", Madrid, Spain, (March 22-25, 2015). *Oral presentation.*
- 2) EACR-AACR-SIC 2015 Conference, "From cancer biology to the clinic", Firenze, Italy, (June 20-23, 2015). *Oral presentation.*
- 3) ESMO 2016 Personalized Medicine Symposium, "Signaling Pathways in Cancer", Barcelona, Spain, (March 4-5, 2016). *Invited speaker.*
- 4) Tongji University, Shanghai, School of Life Science and Technology Program, Shanghai, China, (September 12-13, 2016). *Invited speaker.*
- 5) ESMO 2017-EACR, Madrid, Spain (September 8-12, 2017). *Oral presentation.*
- 6) 2017 NCI RAS Initiative Symposium, Frederick, USA (December 6-8, 2017). *Oral presentation.*
- 7) 2018 AACR RAS Meeting, San Diego, USA (December 9-12, 2018). *Invited speaker.*
- 8) 2019 RAS Symposium, Santander, Spain (May 16-18, 2019). *Invited speaker.*
- 9) RAS Initiative, NIH, Frederick, (July 18, 2019). *Invited speaker.*
- 10) "Rising Stars seminar series", NIH Bethesda, (July 19, 2019). *Invited speaker.*
- 11) HansonWade RAS-Targeted Drug Discovery Summit, Boston, (September 16-19, 2019). *Invited speaker.*
- 12) University of Copenhagen, (November 7, 2019). *Invited speaker.*
- 13) Sixth AACR-IASLC International Joint Conference: Lung Cancer Translational Science from the Bench to the Clinic, San Diego, USA (January 11 - 14, 2020). *Invited speaker.*
- 14) University of Zurich, (February 12, 2020). *Invited speaker.*
- 15) HansonWade, 2nd RAS-Targeted Drug Discovery Summit (Virtual), Boston, (September 14-16, 2020). *Invited speaker.*
- 16) 9th Annual PREDiCT Tumor Models Meeting (Virtual), London, December 1-3, 2020. *Invited speaker.*
- 17) Precision Medicine for RAS pathway mutations in cancer (Virtual), Manchester, (December 8-9, 2020). *Keynote lecture.*
- 18) IASLC 2020 World Conference on Lung Cancer (Virtual), Singapore, (January 28-31, 2021), *Invited speaker.*
- 19) INSIDE - The dark side of the cell (Virtual), Vienna, (February 11-12, 2021), *Invited speaker.*
- 20) UNITO-POLITO CONFERENCE SERIES IN CANCER, Nanoscience in Cancer Immunotherapy, (March 9-11, 2021).

- Virtual Event, *Invited speaker*.
- 21) UCSF, San Francisco, "10 years in the RAS-MAPK field, from genetic mouse models to translational oncology", (April 27, 2021), Virtual Event, *Invited speaker*.
 - 22) Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer Drug Development Summit, (July 13-15, 2021), Virtual Event, *Invited Speaker*.
 - 23) ESMO 2021-EACR, Paris, France (September 16-19, 2021). *Invited Speaker*.

Awards

- 2020: Award "Marcellina Gilli" for Entrepreneur Women in Italy
- 2020: Listed in the 2020 "40 under 40" by Fortune (Italy)
- 2019: Award "Premio Chianello" for Oncology Research
- 2019: Award "Fondazione Lorini" for under-40 young scientists in cancer research
- 2018: Scientific Merit Award from the Lung Cancer Research Foundation (LCRF)
- 2014: Award Com.it.Es (Organization of Italians abroad), category "University and Research".
- 2014: Best Poster presentation award EACR-23 meeting, "From Basic Research to Personalized Cancer Treatment", Munich, Germany, (July 5-8, 2014).
- 2012: Proffered Paper Award EACR-22, Barcelona, Spain, (July 7-10).
- 2012: AECC (Spanish Association Against Cancer) Postdoctoral Award, personally conferred by the Queen of Spain
- 2009: Award "Silvia Fiocco" for Lymphoma and Leukemia Research, Accademia dei Lincei-Roma, personally conferred by the Italian President Giorgio Napolitano
- 2008: Award "Fondazione Costa" for cancer research
- 2007: SIBBM Prize (Italian Society of Biophysics and Molecular Biology) (please see <http://www.sibbm.org/premio2007.php>)

Projects and Funding

- 2021-2026: ERC Consolidator Grant, funded budget €2.000.000.
- 2021-2022: SRA (Scientific Research Agreement) Revolution Medicine, \$ 300.000.
- 2020-2023: Harvard-Armenise Career Development Grant, funded budget \$1.000.000.
- 2020-2023: "Ramon y Cajal" Excellence Grant, Ministry of Health and Innovation (Spain), 500.000 euros (declined).
- 2018-2020: Principal Investigator, Lung Cancer Research Foundation (LCRF) grant, funded budget \$150.000.
- 2017-2018: Principal Investigator of the Wong Funds in Translational Oncology (DFCI, Boston), funded budget \$150.000.
- 2016-2018: Stand Up To Cancer, Lung Cancer Dream Team.
- 2012-2017: AECC (Spanish Association Against Cancer) Postdoctoral Fellowship (5 years).
- 2009-2011: CNIO-Caja Navarra International Postdoctoral Program
- 2009-2012: Principal Investigator of the MFAG-2009 funded by AIRC (Italian Association for Cancer Research), funded budget for the project: €150.000.