



## Europass Curriculum Vitae

### Personal information

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Date of birth	07 January 1973
Title	DVM PhD
Administration	Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Piemonte, Liguria e Valle d'Aosta
Occupation or position held	Employed as DVM in the Specialist diagnostics Department
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### Work experience

	<b>Dates</b> <b>From 01st January 2017 to date</b>
Occupation or position held	Employed as DVM PhD at Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Piemonte, Liguria e Valle d'Aosta. Permanent position.
Main activities and responsibilities	Food control activities. Research activities related to the National Reference Centre for Veterinary and Comparative Oncology and genetic traceability of food
Name and address of employer	Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Piemonte, Liguria e Valle d'Aosta
Type of business or sector	Animal Health, Food safety, Genetics
	<b>Dates</b> <b>From 01st October 2015 to 31th December 2016</b>
Occupation or position held	Employed as DVM in the Local Authority of the Italian Ministry of Health. Permanent position.
Main activities and responsibilities	Monitoring of the zoonosis and transmissible animal diseases in livestock
Name and address of employer	ASL3 Genovese
Type of business or sector	Animal Health
	<b>Dates</b> <b>From 01st May 2011 to 30th September 2015</b>
Occupation or position held	Research Scientist at the Laboratory of Genetics and Immunobiochemistry in the Neuroscience Department. Not permanent position.
Main activities and responsibilities	Involvement in the management and organization of the research activities related to animal genetic characterization, animal biodiversity and genetic resistance to disease of livestock. Studies on population genetics related to wildlife, exotic and domestic animals. Set up of methods for molecular genetic studies. Gene expression studies by real-time qPCR. Bioinformatics and statistical analyses of genetic data. Drawing up project and writing of scientific articles. Internal and external training.
Name and address of employer	Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Piemonte, Liguria e Valle d'Aosta.
Type of business or sector	Animal Health, Genetics

<b>Dates</b>	<b>From 22nd June 2015 to 3rd July 2015</b>
Occupation or position held	Visiting scientist at the Center for Conservation and Evolutionary Genetics Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute, scientific director Dr Robert C.Fleischer..
Main activities and responsibilities	Next Generation Sequencing techniques applied to conservation and forensic genetics
Name and address of employer	Center for Conservation and Evolutionary Genetics- Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute.
Type of business or sector	Population and conservation genetics. Forensic genetics.
<b>Dates</b>	<b>From 1st June 2015 to 19th June 2015</b>
Occupation or position held	Visiting scientist at the R&D lab directed by Dr Bruce Budowle, Applied Genetics At the University of North Texas Health Science Center
Main activities and responsibilities	Wet lab activities on library preparation and human forensic MPS (Massively Parallel Sequencing) data analysis.
Name and address of employer	Institute of Applied Genetics at the University of North Texas Health Science Center- Fort Worth-Texas.
Type of business or sector	Forensic Genetics
<b>Dates</b>	<b>From 8th May 2015 to 28th May 2015</b>
Occupation or position held	Visiting scientist at the Veterinary Genetics Laboratory (VGL), University of California-Davis directed by Dr Cecilia Penedo
Main activities and responsibilities	Experience in domestic animals genotyping and in the development of assays for the detection of genetic disease using genetic marker panels. Experience in protocols and data analysis for animal forensic genetics.
Name and address of employer	Veterinary Genetics Laboratory (VGL), University of California-Davis
Type of business or sector	Animal Health, Forensic Genetics
<b>Dates</b>	<b>From 15 April 2009 to 30 April 2011</b>
Occupation or position held	Research Fellow as DVM at the Laboratory of Genetics and Immunobiochemistry in the Neuroscience Department.
Main activities and responsibilities	Drawing up projects, wet lab activity (mainly sequencing, microsatellite analysis, Real Time qPCR, molecular diagnostic PCRs), data analysis, preparing research findings for publications, writing scientific papers. Internal and external training.
Name and address of employer	Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Piemonte, Liguria e Valle d'Aosta
Type of business or sector	Animal Health, Genetics
<b>Dates</b>	<b>from 01 January 2009 to 14 April 2009</b>
Occupation or position held	Research Fellow as Ph.D student in Biotechnology Applied to Veterinary Sciences and Animal Husbandry at the Department of Animal Pathology, Hygiene and Veterinary Public Health- Institute of Infectious Diseases.
Main activities and responsibilities	Wet lab activity (mainly RT PCR, PCR and cell cultures), data analysis mainly dealing with infectious disease diagnostics, genetic resistance to disease.
Name and address of employer	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Milan.
Type of business or sector	Animal Health, Infectious Diseases, Genetics.
<b>Dates</b>	<b>from 08 July 2002 to 07 July 2003 from 01 June 2004 to 15 December 2008</b>

Occupation or position held	Research Fellow as DVM at the National Reference Centre for Veterinary and Comparative Oncology- Genoa
Main activities and responsibilities	Drawing up project, wet lab activity (mainly sequencing, RT PCR, Real Time PCR, cDNA-cloning, molecular diagnostic PCR), data analysis, preparing research findings for scientific communications and publications mainly concerning cancer genetics, veterinary and comparative oncology, animal biodiversity, food microbiology, food hygiene and food testing. Internal and external training.
Name and address of employer	Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Piemonte, Liguria e Valle d'Aosta
Type of business or sector	Animal Health, Food Control, Oncology.
<b>Dates</b>	<b>from 15 September 2003 to 15 December 2003</b>
Occupation or position held	Stage at the Biotechnology and GMO's Unit (Institute for Health and Consumer Protection- IHCP)
Main activities and responsibilities	Wet Lab activity (PCR, Real Time qPCR and ELISA), data analysis.
Name and address of employer	European Commission- Joint Research Centre, Ispra
Type of business or sector	Food hygiene and food testing, GMOs analysis
<b>Dates</b>	<b>from April 1999 to July 2002</b>
Occupation or position held	Clinical veterinarian in private structures.
Main activities and responsibilities	Clinical and surgical activities.
Name and address of employer	Veterinary clinic Baroni-Scapin, Genoa-Italy
	Veterinary clinic Dott. Valentino Bogliolo di Alassio (SV)-Italy
	Genovese Veterinary Center, Genoa-Italy
Type of business or sector	Pet care, Animal Health.
<b>Dates</b>	<b>from April 2001 to August 2001</b>
Occupation or position held	Consultant
Main activities and responsibilities	Nutritional consultancy and formulation of daily food rations and of new products.
Name and address of employer	Novavet S.p.A, Genoa- Italy
Type of business or sector	Pet food.
<b>Education and training</b>	
<b>Dates</b>	<b>3 February 2012</b>
Title of qualification awarded	PhD degree in "Biotechnology Applied to Veterinary Sciences and Animal Husbandry"
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Expression profile of immune response genes in goats with experimentally induced <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> mastitis
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine- University of Milan.
Level in national or international classification	Postgraduate academic degree
<b>Dates</b>	<b>3 July 2006</b>
Title of qualification awarded	Degree of specialization in "Inspection of animals and animal-originated products".
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Food inspection, food microbiology, food hygiene and food testing, validation of molecular biology techniques for food and feed control.

Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine- University of Milan.																																		
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<b>Dates</b>	<b>Academic Year 2002/2003</b>																																		
Title of qualification awarded	Master in "Monitoring and traceability of genes and transgenes in environmental and alimentary matrices"																																		
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Food hygiene, molecular biology techniques for feed and food testing, GMOs analysis.																																		
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Faculty of Agricultural Science - University of Milan.																																		
Level in national or international classification	Postgraduate academic degree																																		
<b>Dates</b>	<b>22 March 1999</b>																																		
Title of qualification awarded	Doctor in Veterinary Medicine																																		
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Graduate program of the Veterinary Medicine course.																																		
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Organizational Skills	<p>Ability to manage responsibilities related to the activity and coordination of research projects funded by public and private institutions.</p> <p>Experience in coordination of research activities in collaboration with universities and scientific hospitalization and treatment institute.</p> <p>Skills in the organization and coordination of the analysis laboratory activities.</p>																																		

Technical skills and competences	I am vet with a background in molecular biology and genetics currently working as research scientist at the Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Piemonte, Liguria e Valle d'Aosta. My interest has ranged from basis underlying genetic resistance to disease of livestock to population genetics for animal conservation, forensic genetics, in recent years I have mostly turned to genetics applied to veterinary oncology and the genetic traceability of foods. I am familiar with the main molecular biology techniques for diagnostics, gene expression and genome-based studies.
Computer skills and competences	Good knowledge of the Windows operating systems and products, familiar with the use of Macintosh and Linux systems. Good knowledge in the consultation of genomic and bioinformatics databases and in using software for collection, alignment, management and analysis of sequence and microsatellite results. Basic practice in using software for population genetics data analysis.
<b>Licence</b>	Cat B (Driving Italian licence) Open Water SSI
<b>National and International Publications</b>	<p><b>H index:</b> 11</p> <p>-Polymorphisms associated to bovine paratuberculosis: investigation of their role in DNA-protein interactions and transcriptional regulation. Aryngazihev B, Beltramo C, Dondo A, Karymsakov T, Varelio K, Goria M, Di Blasio A, Nodari S, Colussi S, Modesto P, Daugaliyeva A, Acutis PL, Daugaliyeva S, Peletto S. Vet Ital. 2020 Aug 6. doi: 10.12834/VetItt.2325.13205.1.</p> <p>- Hepatitis E virus research in wild boars during 2017/2018 and 2018/2019 hunting seasons. Chiara Masotti, Roberta Battistini, Walter Mignone, Enrica Berio, Monica Dellepiane, Tiziana Andreoli, Elisabetta Razzuoli, Simone Peletto, Pierluigi Acutis, Chiara Beltramo, Paola Modesto, Valeria Listorti, Carlo Ercolini, Laura Serracca. Large Animal Review 2020; 26: 149-151</p> <p>-Equus caballus papillomavirus type 2 (EcPV-2) in co-occurring vulvar and gastric lesions of a pony. Ilaria Porcellato, Paola Modesto, Katia Cappelli, Katia Varelio, Simone Peletto, Chiara Brachelente, Isabella Martini, Luca Mechelli, Angelo Ferrari, Alessandro Ghelardi, Elisabetta Razzuoli. Research in Veterinary Science doi.org/10.1016/j.rvsc.2020.06.003</p> <p>-Modulation of Type I Interferon System by African Swine Fever Virus. Elisabetta Razzuoli, Giulia Franzoni, Tania Carta, Susanna Zinelli, Massimo Amadori, Paola Modesto, Annalisa Oggiano. Pathogens 2020, 9, 209</p> <p>-Comparison of macrophage responses to African swine fever viruses reveals that the NH/P68 strain is associated with enhanced sensitivity to type I IFN and cytokine responses from classically activated macrophages. Giulia Franzoni, Elisabetta Razzuoli, Silvia Dei Giudici, Tania Carta, Grazia Galleri, Susanna Zinelli, Mauro Ledda, Pierpaolo Angioi, Paola Modesto, Simon Graham, Annalisa Oggiano. Pathogens. 2020 Mar 12;9(3). pii: E209. doi: 10.3390/pathogens9030209</p> <p>-Yersinia enterocolitica-specific modulation of innate immune responses in jejunal epithelial cells. Razzuoli E, Vencia W, Modesto P, Franzoni G, Giudici SD, Parisi E, Ferrari A, Amadori M. Vet Microbiol. 2020 Mar;242:108596. doi: 10.1016/j.vetmic.2020.108596. Epub 2020 Jan 24.</p> <p>-Co-Occurrence of gastric and vulvar lesions in a pony infected by Equus Caballus Papillomavirus Type 2. I. Porcellato, P. Modesto, C. Brachelente, K. Cappelli, K. Varelio, I. Martini, L. Mechelli, A. Ferrari, A. Ghelardi and E. Razzuoli. J. Comp. Path. 2020, Vol. 174: 193</p>

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- A single nucleotide variant in the promoter region of the CCR5 gene increases susceptibility to arthritis encephalitis virus in goat. Silvia Colussi, MSc; Rosanna Desiato; Chiara Beltramo; Simone Peletto; Paola Modesto; Maria Grazia Maniaci; Valentina Campia; Antonio Quasso; Sergio Rosati; Luigi Bertolotti; Giuseppe Ru; Pier Luigi Acutis. BMC Vet Res. 2019 Jul 6;15(1):230
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