PERSONAL INFORMATION

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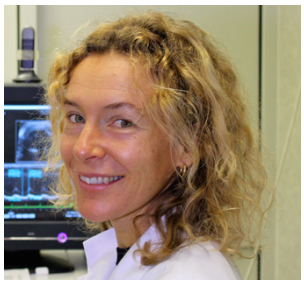

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Marital status Married, two children, born on 19/10/2009 and 20/12/2011

WORK EXPERIENCE

2021-	Co-Group Leader, Experimental CardioOncology and CardioVascular Ageing Unit, Centro Cardiologico Monzino
2016-	University of Trieste, Italy Associate Professor
2015-	International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB), Trieste Group Leader, Cardiovascular Biology Programme Managing Office, Scientific Coordinator
2022-	Member of the Scientific Council of Collegio Fonda, Trieste
2022-	Advisor of FIT (Fondazione Internazionale Trieste per il progresso e la liberta' delle scienze)
2019-2023	Member of the Ethical Committee for the Regione FVG (CEUR)
2018-2020	Member of the board of directors of the Burlo Garofolo Foundation, Trieste, Italy
2015-2019	Regione FVG, Commission for Culture Scientific Expert
2008-2014	International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB), Trieste Post-doc/Staff Scientist, Molecular Medicine
2006-2007	Flanders Interuniversity Institute for Biotechnology (VIB), *University KU Leuven, Belgium* Post-doc, Center for Transgene Technology & Gene Therapy

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2023	National Scientific Qualification ("Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale") as Full Professor

	acquired for the following sectors: 05/E2 (Molecular Biology), 06/A2 (General and Clinical Pathology)
2017	National Scientific Qualification ("Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale") as Associate Professor acquired for the following sectors: 05/E2 (Molecular Biology), 05/F1 (Applied Biology), 06/A2 (General and Clinical Pathology)
2001-2005	PhD International School for Advanced Studies (ISAS, SISSA), PhD in Molecular Genetics *cum laude* Thesis topic: Gene therapy for the induction of therapeutic angiogenesis and tissue regeneration
2001	Medical Professional License University of Bologna, 110/110, admitted to the Board of physicians, surgeons and orthodontists of Trieste (n.3633)
1994-2000	Degree in Medicine University of Trieste, 110/110 with honours Thesis topic: Gene therapy for the prevention of arterial restenosis after angioplasty
1993-1996	Participation in the 1st Edition of the Masters in Science Communication International School for Advanced Studies (ISAS, SISSA), Trieste
1989-1994	Scientific high school degree High School Galileo Galilei, Trieste, 60/60

TEACHING ACTIVITY

2009-	Departments of Medicine and Life Sciences, University of Trieste Professor of Gene and Cell Therapy (BIO/11)
2024-	Faculty board member (Collegio Docenti) in the PhD program in Precision Medicine and Innovative Therapies, University of Trieste
2016-2023	Faculty board member (Collegio Docenti) in the PhD program in Biomolecular Sciences, University of Trento
2009-2011	Faculty of Medicine and Surgery, University of Trieste Professor of Molecular Biology and Molecular Biology of Organs and Tissues (BIO/11)
2000-2004	"Scuola Normale Superiore" SNS, Pisa Teacher in the Course of Molecular Biology (series of seminars on the biology of stem cells and their clinical applications)

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue: Italian

Other languages

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
French	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1

Communication skills

In my daily life, I constantly interact with multiple professionals, of various background, education and nationality. As a MD with ample experience in wet research, I have often coordinated the translational aspects of scientific research. I have presented the results of my research activities, as either oral presenter or invited speaker, at numerous national and international congresses. At the same time, I have been actively involved and organized in educational and outreach activities (Trieste NEXT, Genoa Science Festival, European Researchers' Night, "Trieste Science and the City" public conferences, etc.).

I have always cultivated a passion for sport and am still part of a track team, mostly engaged in trail running. In 1992 I obtained the license from the Italian National Olympic Committee (CONI) to become track coach and have worked as a trainer for several years.

Organisational/managerial skills

At present I lead a team of 25 researchers (10 post-docs, 5 PhD students, 4 undergraduate students, 5 visiting scientists and 1 research assistant). From 2015 to 2019 I acted as the Head of the Bioexperimentation Facility at ICGEB. Currently I serve as the Scientific Coordinator of ICGEB Programmes (Fellowships, Collaborative Research Programme and Meetings and Courses). I coordinate national and international projects with Hospitals and Universities. Since 2000, I have supervised numerous students defending their thesis at the University of Trieste, at the SNS, Pisa, at the University of Rijeka (Slovenia) and at the Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium).

I have organized many national and international congresses, including the "JRC-ICGEB Joint Expert Meeting on Genome" in Trieste, in 2019 and 2016, the "US imaging in cardiac and vascular medicine: from pre-clinical to clinical studies" workshop in Trieste in 2019 and 2017 and the Workshop "High Content Imaging and Data Science for Virtual

Screening and Drug Discovery" in Bled, Slovenia (2019); the Workshop "Genome editing to generate cellular and animal models of human diseases" in Cape Town (South Africa) and the Course "Genetics and model organisms in human disease research: workshop on Assisted Reproductive Technologies (ART) in the Laboratory Mouse" in Rome, Italy (2022), the "1st IMPACT COST Innovation Grant meeting" in Trieste Italy and the course "Latest Advances in Genome Editing and ART Technologies in Laboratory Mice" in Montevideo, Uruguay (2023).
I have acted as the coordinator of several INTERREG Italy-Slovenia (TRAIN, COHERENCE) and Italy-Austria (InCARDIO, PROMOS), as well as the ERA4Health CARDINNOV RESCUE project, involving academic and industrial partners, as well as patient associations, focused on fostering innovation in the health sector.

Job-related skills

My major research interests veer toward the development of innovative therapies for cardiovascular disorders, with a particular focus on the induction of new blood vessel formation and cardiac regeneration. During my medical and post-doctoral training, I acquired advances skills in animal surgery, particularly for the implementation of models of cardiovascular disorders (arterial restenosis, peripheral ischemia, myocardial infarction, heart failure, apical resection, heterotopic heart transplantation). During my post-doc in Belgium, I acquired complementary competences in the use of simpler animal models, including Zebrafish, Xenopus and Drosophila, as well as in the generation and handing genetically modified animals. More recently, I have become interested in understanding the mechanisms by which laser light interacts with biological tissues. I am familiar with sophisticated techniques and instrumentation in the fields of molecular biology and molecular medicine (including cell culture, real-time PCR, fluorescence and confocal microscopy, flow cytometry and cell sorting, laser microdissection, next generation and single cell sequencing, genome editing and high throughput screening).
I have co-authored over 135 scientific publications in international peer-reviewed journals and written 12 invited reviews and book chapters.
Since 2014, I have represented the ICGEB at the UN Agency Committee for Bioethics, which serves as a key inter-agency mechanism for sharing information among intergovernmental organizations on issues related to bioethics, with the purpose of fostering better cooperation and coordination. In this field I am particularly interested in the regulatory and ethical aspects governing the use of genetic engineering, gene therapy and genome editing in different countries.

Digital competence	Skilled in the use of major PC and Mac software, as well software for bioinformatics, statistics, graphics and image processing
Driving license	Type B licence

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Past and current financial support for scientific activity	2025 – GO!2025 36.500€ Al confine tra pelle e cuore: le emozioni della scienza nella lotta contro il cancro (PI) 2024 - 3DCARDIO I-NEST PNRR, 75.000€ (co-PI); ITA-SLO 2021-2027 COHERENCE 1.071.322€, 363,968€ to my group (coordinator), ITA-AUS 2021-2027 PROMOS, 1.144.883€, 412,532€ to my group (coordinator); FISA CANCEL 1.572.386,04€ (PI). 2023 - TiiLT (Preclinical development of a 3rd-generation interleukin-2 targeted to inflammatory sites) Horizon RIA, project number 101080897 (co-PI) 400,000€; PRIN – McHeart (Mechanotransduction in the HEART), 106,000€ (coordinator); Italian Foundation for Cystic Fibrosis, GenDelCF, Gene Delivery for Cystic Fibrosis, 314,000€ (co-PI); PRIN-PNRR – Dissecting the role of Nova2 in tumor angiogenesis, 125,000€ (co-PI); WWCR – From cardiac contraction to cancer therapy, 158,000£ (PI); ERA4Health RESCUE 1.441.800€ total, 280800€ to my group (coordinator) 2022 - Beneficientia Stiftung (CAGE, Cardiac mechanical stimulation to halt cancer progression, PI), 45,000€ 2021 - Beneficientia Stiftung (AMATER, PI), 45,000€; MOIRe program from Mochida Therapeutics, 50,000$ 2020 – Associazione Italiana per la Ricerca sul Cancro IG2020 Id24529 (PI) 489,000€; Interreg ITA-AUS InCARDIO 2020-2022, 1.132.876€ (coordinator); Beneficientia Stiftung (EMERITA, PI), 25,000€; Bayer Grants4Targets, 20,000€ 2019 – FVG Region, Ricerca Clinica (CURIoSA, PI), 84,000€; FVG Region, Ricerca Clinica (HEARTzheimer, co-PI), 30,300€; Roche Prize (PI) awarded to Simone Vodret in my group 50,000€ 2018 – Fondazione CRTrieste (co-PI), 100,000€; PREFER POR-FESR 2018-2021 (co-PI), 719,000€ 2017 – Interreg ITA-SLO TRAIN (high Throughput screening and big data Analysis for INnovation) 2017-2020, 1.057.146,89€ (coordinator); LaSerNET 2017-2019 - Support to laser therapy as a treatment of oral mucositis/stomatitis/dermatitis in oncological patients in Serbia, 92.000€; ADHERE (A biocompatible Device for wound Healing and Revascularization), MadeinTS, 24,000€

2016 – Associazione Italiana per la Ricerca sul Cancro IG2016 Id19032 (PI) 228,000€; Fondazione CRTrieste (co-PI) 100,000€

2015 – K-Laser R&D agreement, 60,000€ (co-PI), Academy of Sciences of Moldova (co-PI) 20,000€

2009 - Associazione Italiana per la Ricerca sul Cancro MFAG 2009 (PI), 150,000€

2008 - Bando Giovani Ricercatori (co-PI), 600,000€

2006 – Marie Curie Intra-European Post-Doctoral Fellowship (1 year), Scholarship for the Keystone Meeting "Mechanisms of cardiac disease and regeneration", Santa Fe, New Mexico (USA)

2001 - PhD fellowship SISSA (4 years)

1995-2000 Fellowship 'Aldo Duca'

Honours and prizes

2025 – Elected Member of Council of the European Vascular Biology Organization (EVBO)

2024 - Guido Tarone Award by the Heart Failure Association, European Society of Cardiology

2018 – Elected Nucleus Member of the Working Group of Myocardial Function of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC)

2017 – IT Women in the fields of invention and innovation ITWIIN Best Inventor Prize

2016 – "Premio di Vetro" (Glass Prize), Trieste Municipality to women for excellence in the fields of art, work and sport

2015 – Best e-poster, Annual Congress of the ESC, London, UK

2012 – Selection for Italia x 10, an event organized by Telecom Italia to highlight young national talents

2010 - Young Investigator Award, European Society for Gene and Cell Therapy (ESGCT) XVIII Congress, Milan, Italy

2006 - Young Investigator Award, Heart Failure 2006 Congress (Helsinki, Finland)

2004 – Prize "Rosa di Cristallo" (Crystal Rose Prize), Trieste Municipality to promising young citizens

1993 - National prize for the best manuscript in French, "Alliance Française"

Invited Seminars and Talks

Invited seminars/webinars (2025) Imperial College London, UK; University of Birmingham, UK. (2024) MRC and UCT Cape Town, South Africa, University of Edinburgh, European Vascular Biology Organization Webinar series; (2023) ICABB Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India; (2021) Cardiology Institute Monzino, Italy; (2020) European Vascular Biology Organization Webinar series; Stem Cell Research Italy; (2019) at the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Experimental and Clinical Traumatology, Vienna, Austria; (2018) at the University of Innsbruck, Austria and Josef Stefan Institute, Lubiana, Slovenia; (2016) at the Molecular Biotechnology Center (MBC), Turin, Italy, International Clinical Research Center (FNUSA-ICRC), Brno, Czech Republic; University of Udine Italy; University of Zagreb, Croatia; (2015) at the University of Vipava, Slovenja; (2013) at the University of Milan, Italy, Max Planck Institute for Molecular Biomedicine, Muenster, Germany; (2011) at the University of Forlì, Italy,(2009) at the Vesalius Research Center, Leuven, Belgium, (2004) at the New York Medical School, NY, USA.

Invited speaker/chair at numerous Italian and international meetings (2025) Gordon Research Conference on Angiogenesis, Newport, RI, HFA Winter Meeting Wien, Austria; Joint Meeting of the

ESC Working Groups on Myocardial Function and Cellular Biology of the Heart, Naples, Italy (2024) International Society for Heart Research annual meeting, Toulouse, France, European Society of Cardiology annual meeting London, UK, Frontiers in CardioVascular Biomedicine, Amsterdam, The Netherlands; HFA Winter Meeting, Sophia Antipolis Nice, France; (2023) Frontiers in Cardiac and Vascular Biology, Tel Aviv, Israel; Joint Meeting of the ESC Working Groups on Myocardial Function and Cellular Biology of the Heart, Naples, Italy; International Society for Heart Research annual meeting, Porto, Portugal; Imperial Vulnerable Patient and Plaque Meeting, Malta; (2022) 13th International Conference on Bone Morphogenetic Proteins, Dubrovnik, Croatia; 19th Dutch-German Joint Meeting of the Molecular Cardiology Working Groups, Maastricht, The Netherlands; ESC congress, Barcelona, Spain; Frontiers in CardioVascular Biomedicine 2022, Budapest, Hungary; "Advances in heart failure, cardiomyopathies and pericardial disease", Trieste, Italy; "THE 46TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE MALAYSIAN SOCIETY FOR BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY", Selangor, Malaysia; XXV Congresso Nazionale Società Italiana Genetica Umana, Trieste, Italy; CNIC Cardiac Regeneration Conference, Madrid, Spain. (2021) CARDIO RNA COST action meeting, EMBO Workshop: Cardiomyocyte Biology, Ascona, Switzerland, Heart Failure 2021, Eurobiotech, Krakow, Poland, Termis workshop Cell-Matrix interaction and mechanobiology in regenerative medicine; (2021 and 2020) Heart Failure Association (HFA) Winter Meeting, Les Diablerets, Switzerland; (2020) Frontiers in Cardiovascular Biomedicine, Budapest, Hungary; (2019) the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) meeting, Paris, the Meeting of the Working Groups on Myocardial Function and Cellular Biology of the Heart of the ESC, Naples, Italy, CardioNet Meeting, Barcelona, Spain, High Content Imaging and Data Science for Virtual Screening and Drug Discovery, Bled, Slovenia, Future maternal-fetal medicine between research and sanitary care, Trieste, Italy, Regeneration without scarring, Udine, Italy, (2018) the Heart Failure Association (HFA) Winter Meeting, Les Diablerets, Switzerland, the Gordon Research Conference on Cardiac Regulatory Mechanisms, New London NH, (2017) the Gordon Research Seminar on Angiogenesis, Newport, RI, the "Mouse genetics, models for human diseases" Course, Trieste, Italy, (2016) the Forum "Driving change for US and Italian Innovation systems: finding better ways to learn from each other", Trieste, (2015), the XX Congress of Italian Society of Cardiovascular Research (SIRC), Imola, , the ESGCT and FSGT Collaborative Congress, Helsinki, Finland, the International Conference for Bioeconomy, Tianjin, China, the Meeting of the International Society for Heart Research, European Section (ISHR-ES), Bordeaux, France, the Workshop SIICA "Angiogenesis: basi molecolari e implicazioni terapeutiche", Certosa di Pontignano, Siena, the "Epigenetic mechanisms to design repair solutions" in Vipava, Slovenia, (2013) the "Cellule staminali e cuore: cantieri dal future", organized by the "Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna", Pisa, Italy ; the Annual Meetings of the Working Group on Myocardial Function and the Working Group on Cellular Biology of the Heart, Varenna (also 2015); (in 2011) the 72° National Congress "Società Italiana di Cardiologia" SIC , Rome, (2010) the Presidential Young Investigator Symposium at the XVIII ESGCT Annual Congress, Milan.

Memberships European Society of Cardiology (ESC), Heart Failure Association (HFA), Working Groups on

Myocardial Function and Cellular Biology of the Heart of the ESC, European Vascular Biology Organization (EVBO) "Società Italiana Ricerche Cardiovascolari" (SIRC), European Society for Gene and Cell Therapy (ESGCT), International Society for Heart Research (ISHR)

Patents

Patent n. 102023000010590, Priority date: 25/05/2023, Apparatus for the prevention of cancer recurrence

Patent n. EP22190802, Priority date: 17/08/2022, Soft end-effector for cell volumetric stimulation (SORCE)

Patent n. RM2011A000685, microRNAs for cardiac regeneration through induction of cardiac myocyte proliferation

Patent n. MBP16915-EP, EMID2 protein as anti-cancer treatment

File n. 102019000017234, anti-microRNAs for the treatment of leiomyoma

Reviewer/ Panels activity/ Editorial activity

2021 – 2023 – 2025 Member of the European Research Council (ERC) Starting Grant Panel, LS7

2024 – Member of the Evaluation panel for La Caixa, Spain

2022 – 2024 Member of the International Review Panel of the BHF/DZHK/DHF International Cardiovascular Research Partnership Awards

2023 Member of the "High Council for the Evaluation of Research and Higher Education" (Hcéres), France

2019 – Member of MED6 Panel for FWO (Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek – Vlaanderen) and numerous National Foundations (Cariverona, Caripadova)

2019 – Member of the Advisory Board of EBioMedicine journal

Since 2007 - Reviewer for numerous international peer-reviewed journals, including Nature Biotechnology, Circulation, Journal of Clinical Investigation, PNAS, The FASEB Journal, Journal of the National Cancer Institute, AJP-Heart and Circulatory Physiology, European Journal of Cancer, Wound Repair and Regeneration, Stem Cell Reports, Nature Scientific Reports, Blood

Publications

More than 140 original manuscripts in international, peer-reviewed journals (h-index 52, according to SCOPUS).

Full publication list:

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4. Spazzapan M, Pegoraro S, Vuerich R, Zito G, Balduit A, Longo E, Pascolo L, Toffoli M, Meshini G, Mangogna A, Ros G, Buonomo F, Romano F, Lombardelli L, Papa G, Piccinni MP, Zacchigna S, Agostinis C, Bulla R, Ricci G. Endothelial cell supplementation promotes xenograft revascularization during short-term ovarian tissue transplantation. Bioact Mater. 2025 Apr 16;50:305-321.
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10.1038/s44161-025-00623-3.
6. Saxena S, Volpe MC, Agostinis C, Vodret S, Ring NAR, Colliva A, Vuerich R, Braga L, Cook-Calvete A, Romano F, Zito G, Lorenzo GD, Ura B, Ricci G, Pinamonti M, Bulla R, Zacchigna S. Anti-miRNA therapeutics for uterine fibroids. Biomed Pharmacother. 2025 Feb 28;185:117946.
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