

IOLANDA FRANCOLINI

Curriculum Vitae

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Part I – General Information

Full Name	Iolanda Francolini
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Spoken Languages	Italiano, Inglese

Part II – Education

Type	Year	Institution	Notes (Degree, Experience,...)
Degree Industrial Chemistry	2000	Sapienza University of Rome	Full Marks (110/110 e lode)
Qualification for Chemistry Profession	2000	Sapienza University of Rome	Obtained on November 2000, marks 76/100
PhD in Industrial Chemical Processes	2005	Sapienza University of Rome	Cycle XVII, obtained on 16/02/2005, defending a thesis entitled "Polymers with antimicrobial properties: synthesis, characterization and biological evaluation"
Pre-doctorate training	2001	Italian Association of Macromolecules (AIM)	First European Polymer Federation School, XXIII "Mario Farina", School topic: "Training in Elastomers and Rubber Materials", Brescia, June 4-8, 2001
Pre-doctorate training	2002	Turin University, Biotechnology Foundation	National School of Nuclear Magnetic Resonance, Turin, 2-6 September 2002
Pre-doctorate training	2002	Fondazione Iniziative Zooprofilattiche e Zootecniche, Brescia, Italy	Practical/theoretical training course: "Techniques of preparation of cell cultures in vitro", Brescia, 4-6 March 2002
Pre-doctorate training	2002	Fondazione Iniziative Zooprofilattiche e Zootecniche, Brescia, Italy	Advanced Practical/theoretical training course: "Application of cell cultures in vitro", Brescia, 11-13 November 2002

Part III – Appointments

Start	End	Institution	Position
19/03/2001	18/12/2001	Italian Institute of Health (ISS), Rome, Italy	Holder of a professional collaboration research contract, at the Department of Ultrastructures, entitled: "Ultrastructural analysis of drug-releasing polymers".
01/03/2003	31/12/2003	Center for Biofilm Engineering (CBE), Montana State University, Montana, USA	<i>Visiting Scientist</i> at the CBE, laboratory of Prof. Paul Stoodley. The research was focus on: "Development of on-demand drug releasing hydrogels".
01/09/2010	01/09/2011	IRCSS - Santa Lucia Foundation, Rome, Italy	<i>Visiting Scientist</i> at the "Microbial Biofilm Laboratory". The research was focus on: "Application of Field Emission Scanning Electron Microscopy (FESEM) and Confocal Microscopy for morphological characterization of microbial biofilm adherent to polymeric surfaces".
01/01/2004	01/01/2007	Sapienza University of Rome, Dept of Chemistry	Ricercatore Universitario non confermato, SSD CHIM/04
01/01/2007	Current	Sapienza University of Rome, Dept of Chemistry	Ricercatore Universitario Confermato, SSD CHIM/04
31/03/2017	31/03/2023	MIUR	Qualified for the role "Professore II fascia", SC 03/C2, SSD CHIM/04 "Chimica Industriale".
25/10/2018	25/10/2024	MIUR	Qualified for the role "Professore I fascia", SC 03/B2, SSD CHIM/07 "Fondamenti Chimici delle Tecnologie"

Part IV – Teaching experience

Part IV.A – Courses

A.A.	Institution	Lecture/Course
2005/06 2006/07 2007/08 2008/09 2009/10	Sapienza University of Rome	<i>Lecturer</i> of the course: "Laboratorio di Chimica delle Macromolecole" (8 CFU), SSD CHIM/05, Bachelor degree in Industrial Chemistry, Department of Chemistry.
2005/06 2006/07 2007/08 2008/09 2009/10	Sapienza University of Rome	<i>Lecturer</i> of the course "Scienza e Tecnologia dei Materiali" (2 CFU, 1 modulo), SSD ING/IND 22, Bachelor degree in Industrial Chemistry, Department of Chemistry.

2010/11	Sapienza University of Rome	<i>Lecturer</i> of the course: “Scienza e Tecnologia dei Materiali Polimerici” (9 CFU), SSD CHIM/04, Master Degree in Industrial Chemistry, Department of Chemistry
2011/12		
2012/13		
2013/14		
2014/15		
2015/16		
2016/17		
2017/18		
2018/19		
2019/20		

Part IV.B – Other teaching activities

Start	End	Institution	Description
2005	Current	Sapienza University of Rome	<i>Tutor</i> of 10 Master Thesis and 27 Bachelor Thesis
2011	Current	Sapienza University of Rome	<i>Member of Commission of Exams</i> of the following courses: “Chimica Industriale”, “Fondamenti di Scienza delle macromolecole Science”, “Macromolecule” of the Bachelor and Master degrees in Industrial Chemistry.
2019	2019	Università degli studi di Camerino	<i>Lecturer</i> (8 hours): “Biomaterials for medical applications” at the Specialization School in Animal health, breeding and livestock production, Matelica (Ma) – March/April 2019.

Part IV.B – Activities in PhD courses

2006 - current	<i>Member of the PhD board</i> of the PhD School in “Chemical Sciences” of the Sapienza University of Rome, Italy
2006	<i>Member for the Commission</i> for the admission to the PhD in Chemical Sciences Cycle XXXII, Sapienza University of Rome

Part V - Organization Activities and Other Institutional Roles

Period	Role
2010 - current	<i>Member of Commission</i> of “Pratiche Studenti” for the Didactic area of Industrial Chemistry, Department of Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy
2010 - 2015	<i>Member of Commission</i> of “Qualità” for of the degrees in Industrial Chemistry, Department of Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy
A.A. 2013/14 A.A. 2015/16 A.A. 2016/17	<i>Reference Professor</i> of the Master Degree in Industrial Chemistry (LM-71), Department of Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy
2016-2018	<i>Member of Commission</i> of “Quality assurance and management (Commissione di

	Gestione dell'Assicurazione della Qualità)" of the degrees in Industrial Chemistry Chemistry Department, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy
A.A. 2017/2018	<i>Tutor Professor</i> of the Master degree in Industrial Chemistry (LM-71), Department of Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy
2018 - current	<i>Reference Professor</i> for "Orientamento in Ingresso" Master degree in Industrial Chemistry (LM-71), Department of Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy.
2018 - current	<i>President of Commission</i> of "Quality assurance and management (Commissione di Gestione dell'Assicurazione della Qualità)" of the degrees in Industrial Chemistry Chemistry Department, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy
2019 - current	<i>Member of Commission</i> "Ricerca e Terza Missione" Department of Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy

Part VI - Society memberships, Awards and Honors

Period	Description
2003	<i>Travel Award</i> for best contribution at the American Society for Microbiology (ASM) Conference "Biofilms 2003", November 1-6, 2003, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.
2012 - Current	<i>Member</i> of "Centro di Ricerca per le nanotecnologie applicate all'Ingegneria" (CNIS) Sapienza
2015 - current	<i>Member</i> of the "Consorzio Interuniversitario Nazionale per la Scienza e Tecnologia dei Materiali" (INSTM)
2016	<i>Award</i> as Worthy Oral Presentation at the 6th Clinical Microbiology Conference, 20-22/10/2016, Rome.
2017	<i>Winner</i> "Fondo per il finanziamento delle attività base di ricerca (FFABR)", secondo il comma 295 della Legge di Bilancio 2017 (Legge 232/2016), assigned by the Italian Ministry of University Education and Research (MIUR)
2017	<i>Attribution</i> by Sapienza of the "Fondo per la premialità art. 9 co.1 L 240/10"
2018	<i>Reviewer Recognition</i> by "International Journal of Biological Macromolecules" (I.F. = 3.909) for "Outstanding contributions in reviewing", May 2018.
2018	<i>Reviewer Recognition</i> by "Colloids and Surface B: Biointerfaces" (I.F. = 3.997) for "Outstanding contributions in reviewing", September 2018.
2018	<i>Attribution</i> by Sapienza of "Fondo per la premialità art. 9 co.1 L 240/10"
2020	<i>Travel Award</i> by MDPI publisher for supporting the editorial activity in the Journal "International Journal of Molecular Science", assigned in January 2020

Part VII – Conference roles

Part VII.A – Scientific committee and chairman activity

2019	<i>Member of the Scientific Committee</i> of the VIII Conference "Young Researchers" 2019, Department of Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy (25-26/06/2019).
2018	<i>Member of the Scientific Committee</i> of the "International Conference on Microbiology & Infectious Diseases", Rome 23- 25/07/2018.

2014	<i>Member of the Organizing Committee</i> of the International Meeting e “Biofilm-based healthcare-associated infections: from microbiology to clinics”, Rome, 9-10/10/2014.
2009	<i>Member of the Organizing Committee</i> of the “First European Congress on Microbial Biofilm”, Rome, 2-5, September, 2009.
2009	<i>Chairperson</i> at the International Conference “First European Congress on Microbial Biofilm”, Rome, 2-5, September, 2009.

Part VII.B - Invited and Oral Presentations to conferences

Year	Description
2019	<i>Invited speaker</i> , Bristol University, Colston AMR Society Symposium, Bristol 13-14/November/2019. Presentation title: “Antimicrobial biomaterials: chemical and physical approaches”.
2018	<i>Keynote speaker</i> at the “Word Congress on Advanced Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering”, Rome, 17- 18/10/2018. Presentation title: “Polymeric and inorganic nanomaterials as promising tools for the battle against microbial biofilms”.
2018	<i>Keynote speaker</i> at the International Conference on Microbiology & Infectious Diseases, Rome, 23- 25/07/2018. Presentation title: “The Application of Nanotechnology for Prevention and Treatment of Microbial Biofilm based Infections”.
2016	<i>Invited Speaker</i> at the “6th Clinical Microbiology Conference”, Rome, 20-22/10/2016. Presentation title: “Development of innovative coatings for anti biofilm medical devices”.
2010	<i>Speaker</i> at the XXXIII International Conference on Microbial Ecology and Disease, Athene, Greece, il 6-10/September/2010. Presentation title: “Novel intrinsically antimicrobial polymers to control biofilm formation on medical devices”.
2009	<i>Invited Speaker</i> at the “First European Congress on Microbial Biofilm”, tenutosi a Rome, 2-5, September, 2009. Presentation title: “Novel strategies to prevent and control biofilm growth on central venous catheters”.
2006	<i>Speaker</i> at the 34° Congress of the Italian Society for Microbiology, Genova, 15-18/October/2006. Presentation title: “Poliuretani funzionalizzati a rilascio combinato di rifampicina/cefamandolo e polietilenglicole sono in grado di prevenire la colonizzazione batterica e l’insorgenza di antibiotico-resistenza”.
2005	<i>Speaker</i> at the I workshop Nazionale “Biofilm microbici 2005”, Rome 20-21/June/2005. Presentation title: “Biomateriali a rilascio di agenti antimicrobici per lo sviluppo di dispositivi medici antibiofilm”.
2004	<i>Speaker</i> at the 32° Congress of the Italian Society for Microbiology, Milan, 26-29/September/2004. Presentation title: “L’acido usnico inibisce la formazione di biofilm in <i>S. aureus</i> e interferisce con i fenomeni di quorum sensing in <i>P. aeruginosa</i> ”.
2003	<i>Speaker at the</i> American Society for Microbiology Conference “Biofilms 2003”, Victoria British Columbia, Canada, 1-6/November/2003. Presentation title: “Controlled ultrasonic antibiotic release from hydrogel coatings for biofilm prevention”.
2001	<i>Speaker</i> at the XV Congress of the Italian Association of Macromolecules (AIM), Trieste, Italy, 24-27/September/2001. Presentation title: “Preparazione di

	superfici polimeriche antibatteriche per la prevenzione di infezioni”.
2001	<i>Speaker</i> at the 29° Congress of the Italian Society for Microbiology, Genova, Italy, 7-10/November/2001. Presentation title: “Efficacia dell’adsorbimento di antibiotici per la prevenzione delle infezioni associate ai cateteri: nuovi approcci sperimentali”.
2001	<i>Speaker</i> at the 21° Congress of the Italian Society for Chemotherapy, Florence, Italy, 2-5/December/2001. Presentation title: “Adsorbimento multistrato di un antibiotico sperimentale beta lattamico a matrici polimeriche diverse: un nuovo approccio sperimentale per la prevenzione delle infezioni associate ai cateteri vascolari”.

Part VIII – Editorial activity

2019 - current	<i>Guest Editor</i> of the Special Issue “Chitosan Functionalizations, Formulations and Composites”, International Journal of Molecular Science (I.F. = 4.183), MDPI Publisher.
2019 - current	<i>Member of the Reviewer Board</i> of “Polymers” (I.F. = 3.164), MDPI Publisher.
2018	<i>Guest Editor</i> of the Special Issue: “Polymeric Systems as Antimicrobial or Antifouling Agents”, International Journal of Molecular Science (I.F. = 4.183), MDPI Publisher.
2016	<i>Guest Editor</i> of the Special Issue "Antimicrobial Polymers", International Journal of Molecular Science (I.F. = 3.687), MDPI Publisher.
2014 - 2019	<i>Co-authors of three Book chapters</i> for RSC publisher, Woodhead Publisher and Springer
2013 - current	<i>Member of the Editorial Board</i> of “International Journal of Molecular Science (I.F.= 3.687), section “Materials Science”.
2004 - current	<i>Reviewing activity</i> for numerous journals in the field of Material Science including Acta Biomaterialia, Scientific Reports, Polymers, Journal of Biomaterials Science-Polymer Edition, Progress in Organic Coatings, Applied Science, Colloids and Surface B, International Journal of Biological Macromolecules, Molecules, Journal of Biotechnology, Journal Biomedical Materials Research Part B, Material sciences and Engineering C.

Part IX - Funding Information

Part IX.A - Grants as PI-Principal Investigator

Year	Title	Program	Grant value
2019	Principal Investigator of the Research Project: “Sintesi di polimeri bioattivi a base di eugenolo”.	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n. RP11916B459A8D63	4.000,00 euro
2017	Principal Investigator of the Research Project: “Sviluppo di nanomateriali polimerici antimicrobici”	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n. RP11715C785E4434	3.200,00 euro
2016	Principal Investigator at the Research	Sapienza University of Rome	4.000,00 euro

	Project: "Sviluppo di matrici polimeriche bioattive per il wound healing"	Progetto n. RP116154C95A8DC4	
2015	Principal Investigator at the Research Project: "Sviluppo di nanoparticelle magnetiche funzionalizzate per l'immobilizzazione enzimatica"	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n. C26A15LP27	4.000,00 euro
2014	<i>Principal Investigator</i> at the Research Project: "Polimeri antimicrobici a base di sostanze naturali bioattive".	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n. C26A14584K	8.000,00 euro
2013	<i>Principal Investigator</i> at the Research Project: "Cationic polymer nanoparticles for the treatment of lung infections by inhalation therapy".	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n. C26A13YYBK	12.000,00 euro

Part IX.B - Grants as I-Investigator

2018	Investigator at the Research Project "BioCerMat" funded by Lazio region in the framework of the nell'ambito del Regional Operational Program (POR).	Regional Operational Program (POR). Project n: A0112-2016-13358	80.980,65 euro
2018	Investigator at the Research Project: "Studio delle transizioni di polimeri allo stato amorfo mediante spettroscopia MTFTIR e calorimetria DSC". Principal Investigator Prof. A. Piozzi, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome.	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n: RM11816435F88EF6	14.000,00 euro
2011	Investigator, at the Research Project: "Nanovettori magnetici core-shell a base di ferrite di manganese per il rilascio mirato di acido usnico" Principal Investigator Prof. A. Piozzi, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome.	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n: C26A11SWNJ	32.818,00 euro
2010	Investigator, at the Research Project: "Polimeri intrinsecamente antimicrobici per la prevenzione ed il controllo della contaminazione batterica di dispositivi medici" Principal Investigator Prof. A. Piozzi, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome.	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n: C26A10A8WM	9.000,00 euro
2009	Investigator, at the Research Project: "Nuove strategie per la preparazione di scaffold per l'ingegneria tissutale" Principal Investigator Prof. A. Piozzi, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n: C26F09F9FN	7.760,00 euro

2008	Investigator, at the Research Project: "Macromolecole biodegradabili di interesse farmaceutico: sintesi e caratterizzazione" Principal Investigator Prof. Lucio D'Ilario, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n: C26A08EE8N	10.000,00 euro
2008	Investigator, at the Research Project: "Processi di cristallizzazione di poliesteri impiegati in campo medico" Principal Investigator Prof. A. Piozzi, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n: C26F08W43A	5.000,00 euro
2007	Investigator, at the Research Project: "Sistemi nanostrutturati ferrite/albumina per rilascio mirato di farmaci: caratterizzazione chimico-fisica e biologica" Principal Investigator Prof. Lucio D'Ilario, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n: C26A07RZPP	12.000,00 euro
2007-2009	Investigator, Scientific Research Project of relevant National Interest (PRIN) dal titolo: "Materiali bioattivi a base di poliesteri: sintesi, modificazioni e caratterizzazione" Principal Investigator Prof. Emo Chiellini, Università di Pisa. Local Principal Investigator Prof. M. Delfini, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome,	PRIN 2006 – prot. 2006038548 Italian Ministry of University Education and Research (MIUR)	350.000,00 euro Unità: 52.760,00 euro
2006	Investigator, at the Research Project: "Preparazione di particelle composite polimeriche magnetiche per applicazioni nel settore biomedico" Principal Investigator Prof. Lucio D'Ilario, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n: C26A06B7PB	8.000,00 euro
2005	Investigator, at the Research Project: "Preparazione ed ottimizzazione di nuove formulazioni polimeriche a rilascio di molecole biologicamente attive" Principal Investigator Prof. Lucio D'Ilario, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome	Sapienza University of Rome Progetto n: C26A050931	9.500,00 euro
2004-2006	Investigator, Scientific Research Project of relevant National Interest (PRIN): "Formulazione di Nuovi Materiali Polimerici Bioattivi per Applicazioni nel Settore dell'Ingegneria Tissutale", Principal Investigator Prof. Emo Chiellini, Università di Pisa. Local	PRIN 2004 – Italian Ministry of University Education and Research (MIUR)	540.000,00 euro Unità: 38.300,00 euro

	Principal Investigator Prof. A. Piozzi, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome.		
2002-2004	Investigator, Scientific Research Project of relevant National Interest (PRIN): "Nuovi sistemi polimerici nanostrutturati per azioni mirate di principi attivi macromolecolari in tecniche emergenti di ingegneria tissutale e farmacologia avanzata", Principal Investigator Prof. Emo Local Principal Investigator locale Prof. A. Piozzi, Dept. Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome	PRIN 2002 – Italian Ministry of University Education and Research (MIUR). Project n. 2002034343_005	542.000,00 euro Unità: 69.500,00 euro

Part X – Research Activities

X.A – Research topics

My main research interest concerns polymer chemistry, and specifically the synthesis, functionalization and physico-chemical characterization of polymers, including polyurethanes, polysters, polyacrylamides, for advanced applications in biomedicine and biotechnology. In the followings, my research is summarized in four main areas.

Keywords

Brief Description

Antimicrobial Polymers	Antimicrobial polymers represent a very promising class of materials with unique characteristics for fighting microbial infections and microbial resistance development. In this context, different approaches have been pursued over the years including i) drug loading onto properly functionalized polymers (mainly polyurethanes); ii) synthesis of intrinsically bioactive cationic polymers (mainly polyacrylamides); and iii) Synthesis of antifouling polyethylene-glycol (PEG)-based polymers. The research has also concerned the physicochemical characterization of polymers by several techniques (FTIR, 1H-NMR, thermal analysis (DSC, TGA), mechanical tests (stress-strain), dynamomechanics and wettability) in order to find out possible relationship between structure and antimicrobial performance of these materials. The developed polymers have been investigated as potential coatings for implantable medical devices or as matrices for wound dressings.
Polyurethanes	
Cationic Polyacrylamides	
Microbial Biofilms	
Medical devices	
Antioxidant polymers	Oxidative stress has been identified as a key factor in many diseases, including vascular damage, neurodegenerative diseases and cancer, as well as among the causes of failure of implantable medical devices. Systemic delivery of antioxidants is hampered by poor absorption, loss of bioactivity, and limited half-life. In this framework, antioxidant polymers have been emerged as promising materials for localized, sustained antioxidant activity. Research in this field concerned the synthesis of catechol-bearing polymers obtained by either polymerization of acrylic monomers containing catechol groups or by functionalization of biopolymers (mainly chitosan) with natural antioxidant. Physico-chemical and
Catechols	
Chitosan	
polyacrylates	

biological characterization of the synthesized polymeric matrices was carried out and application of the developed antioxidant polymeric derivatives in the biomedical field or in the food industry was investigated.

Hybrid Polymeric magnetic nanoparticles	Engineered magnetic nanoparticles (MNPs) possess unique properties and hold great potential in biomedicine and biotechnology applications. With their magnetic properties, MNP can be applied in targeted drug delivery, imaging as well as supports for enzyme immobilization. The functionalization of MNP with polymers permit to introduce functional groups for drug or enzyme binding. In this context, MNPs based on manganese and iron oxides have been synthesized, characterized in terms of morphological, dimensional and magnetic properties and coated with different functionalized polymers to obtain hybrid nanoparticles. Such systems were used for the adsorption and release of drugs or for immobilization of enzymes, specifically lipases and laccases. Drug loaded MNPs were studied in terms of drug release kinetics and biological activity while enzyme-loaded MNPs were characterized in terms of catalytic activity of the immobilized enzyme and suitability for industrial processes.
Drug release	
Immobilized enzymes	

Polymer composites	Polymer composites are widely applied in numerous biomedical applications such as dental, tissue engineering, and wound dressings, due to their outstanding properties and ability to combine properties of different materials. Indeed, the mechanical and thermal characteristics of different polymers can be improved by incorporating proper fillers. In this framework, the research was focused on preparation and physico-chemical characterization of biopolymer-based composites using silica or graphene oxide as reinforcing fillers. Chitosan-graphene oxide composites were investigated as composite materials for bone tissue engineering. Preliminary evaluation of the use of these materials as solid supports for analytical and environmental applications was also carried out.
Chitosan	
Graphene oxide	
Silica	
Tissue engineering	

X.B – Research collaborations

2001 - Current	Prof. Antonella Piozzi	Department of Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome
2001 - Current	Prof. Gianfranco Donelli	Italian Institute of Health (ISS) – IRCSS Fondazione Santa Lucia, Rome, Italy
2001 - 2004	Dr. Roberta Di Rosa	Faculty of Medicine and Psychology, Sapienza University of Rome
2002-2004	Prof. Mario Venditti	Department of Public Health and Infectious Diseases, Sapienza University of Rome
2003 - current	Prof. Paul Stoodley	Department of Orthopaedics, Ohio State University, Ohio, USA
2003	Prof. Buddy Ratner	Department of Bioengineering, University of Washington, USA
2004 - current	Prof. Andrea Martinelli	Department of Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome
2004 - 2016	Prof. Lucio D’Ilario	Department of Chemistry, Sapienza University

		of Rome
2006-2007	Prof. J.B. Kaplan	Department of Oral Biology, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, Newark, USA.
2009-2011	Dr. Paola Di Bonito	Department of Infectious, Parasitic and Immune-mediated Diseases, Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Roma
2009	Prof. L. Tighzert	Ecole Supérieure d'Ingénieurs en Emballage et Conditionnement, Reims Cedex, France
2010-Current	Dr. Claudia Vuotto	IRCSS Fondazione Santa Lucia, Rome, Italy
2012-2013	Prof. Vesna Antic	Faculty of Agriculture, University of Belgrade, Serbia
2013- 2019	Dr. Loris Pietrelli	ENEA Casaccia research center, Rome
2013-current	Dr. Luisa Migneco	Department of Chemistry, Sapienza University of Rome
2014	Prof. Steven Percival	Surface Science Research Centre, University of Liverpool, UK.
2015	Dr. Franco Padella	ENEA Casaccia research center, Rome.
2015	Dr. Lucia Ricci-Vitiani	Italian Institute of Health (ISS), Rome.
2015	Dr. Adriano Boni	Adolphe Merkle Institute (AMI) Center, University of Fribourg, Svizzera
2016	Dr. Wafi Siala	Catholic Univ Louvain, Louvain Drug Res Inst, Pharmacol Cellulaire & Mol, Belgium
2016 - current	Dr. Pamela Pasetto	Institut des Molécules et Matériaux du Mans, Le Mans Université, Le Mans, France
2017-2019	Prof. Martin Garnett	School of Pharmacy, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK.
2017-current	Dr. Vincenzo Taresco	School of Chemistry, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK.
2017-current	Dr. A. Scotto D'Abusco	Department of Biochemical Sciences "A. Rossi Fanelli", Sapienza University of Rome.

Part XI – Summary of Scientific Achievements

Product type	Number	Data Base
Papers on international peer-review journals	63	Scopus
Book Chapters	3	Scopus
Papers <i>Epub ahead of print</i>	1	PubMed
Total number of publications including papers and Book Chapters	67	Scopus + PubMed
H index	21	Scopus
H index normalized for the academic years	1.19	
Total Number of citations	1502 (excluding citations from book chapters)	Scopus
Average citations per paper	23.84 (1502/63)	Scopus
Total Impact Factor (considering IF of publication year = IF _{py} and 63 paper)	184.06	Scopus
Average Impact Factor per publication (only the 63 papers present on Scopus were considered)	2.92	Scopus
Number of papers in the last 10 years	47 (2008-2019) 48 (2009-2020)	Scopus
Number of citations in the last 15 years	1321 (2004-2019) 1092 (2005-2020)	Scopus
H index in the last 15 years	21 (2004-2019) 19 (2005-2020)	Scopus

Part XII- List of publications

XII.A – Publications in peer-reviewed journals

*Corresponding Author; I.F._{py}=Impact Factor publication year

Paper	I.F. (2018 JCR)	I.F. _{py}	Cit.
1. Francolini I* , Taresco V, Martinelli A, Piozzi A. Enhanced performance of <i>Candida rugosa</i> lipase immobilized onto alkyl chain modified-magnetic	3,553	3,553	0

	nanocomposites. <i>Enzyme Microb. Technol.</i> 2020 , 132: 109439 Doi: 10.1016/j.enzmictec.2019.109439.			
2.	Francolini I* , Piozzi A. Polymeric systems as antimicrobial or antifouling agents. <i>Int. J. Mol. Sci.</i> 2019 , 20(19), 4866 Doi: doi.org/10.3390/ijms20194866	4,183	4,183	0
3.	Francolini I , Giansanti L, Piozzi A, Altieri B, Mauceri A, Mancini G. Glucosylated liposomes as drug delivery systems of usnic acid to address bacterial infections. <i>Colloids Surf B Biointerfaces</i> , 2019 , 181, 632-638. Doi: 10.1016/j.colsurfb.2019.05.056	3,973	3,973	1
4.	Francolini I* , Silvestro I, Di Lisio V, Martinelli A, Piozzi A. Synthesis, characterization, and bacterial fouling-resistance properties of polyethylene glycol-grafted polyurethane elastomers. <i>Int. J. Mol. Sci.</i> 2019 , 20(4), 1001. Doi: 10.3390/ijms20041001; Cit = 6.	4,183	4,183	3
5.	Francolini I , Perugini E, Silvestro I, Lopreiato M, Scotto d'Abusco A, Valentini F, Placidi E, Arciprete F, Martinelli A, Piozzi A. Graphene oxide oxygen content affects physical and biological properties of scaffolds based on chitosan/graphene oxide conjugates. <i>Materials</i> 2019 , 12(7), 1142. Doi: 10.3390/ma12071142.	2,972	2,972	3
6.	Francolini I* , Piozzi A. Role of antioxidant molecules and polymers in prevention of bacterial growth and biofilm formation. <i>Curr Med Chem</i> 2019 , <i>Epub ahead of print</i> doi: 10.2174/0929867326666190409120409	3,894	3,894	0
7.	Di Lisio V, Sturabotti E, Francolini I , Piozzi A, Martinelli A. Isotactic polypropylene reversible crystallization investigated by modulated temperature and quasi-isothermal FTIR. <i>J Polym Sci B Polym Phys</i> 2019 ; 57(14): 922-931. Doi: 10.1002/polb.24847.	2,596	2,596	0
8.	Di Lisio, V.; Sturabotti, E.; Francolini, I. ; Piozzi, A.; Martinelli, A. Effects of annealing above tg on the physical aging of quenched plla studied by modulated temperature FTIR. <i>J Polym Sci B Polym Phys</i> 2019 ; 57(3): 174-181. doi:10.1002/polb.24769.	2,596	2,596	1
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