

Luca Dall' Osto

curriculum vitae et studiorum

1. CONTACT DETAILS

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2. EDUCATION

(2003 - 2006) PhD degree in “Environmental and Industrial Biotechnology” at the University of Verona, Faculty of Sciences, IT. Thesis title: “Plant carotenoids: functional genomics of xanthophylls biosynthesis and role in *Arabidopsis thaliana*”

(1996 - 2002) Master degree, summa cum laude in Biotechnology, University of Verona, IT. Thesis title: “Thermal energy dissipation in photosynthesis: a genetic, physiological and biochemical analysis”

3. ACADEMIC CURRICULUM

(2020 -) Full Professor in Plant Physiology (SSD BIO/04) at the University of Verona

(2011 - 2020) Associate Professor in Plant Physiology (SSD BIO/04) at the University of Verona

(2007 - 2011) Assistant Professor in Plant Physiology (SSD BIO/04) at the University of Verona

(2006) Post-doctoral fellow. Department of Science and Technology, University of Verona Fellowship from the FIRB project “Research on abiotic stress resistance of higher plants”.

4. RESEARCH ACTIVITY

My research activity focuses on the molecular physiology of abiotic stress response in photosynthetic organisms, plant and unicellular algae, allowing counteracting adverse environmental conditions. These studies include mechanisms of sensing overexcitation and transducing stress signals into tuning cell metabolism. These mechanisms are determinant for crop productivity and to the efficiency of light use in microalgal growth. I have used the knowledge obtained in these studies for implementing strategies for algal strains domestication for enhanced biomass yield in photobioreactors. This is part of the development of “2nd generation” biofuel products.

Research approach is multidisciplinary in that crosses over various disciplines and made use of combined analytical approaches including genetics, molecular biology, physiology, biochemistry and biophysics. Scale of study is wide: from isolated pigment-binding proteins to organelles, intact cells and whole organisms.

The biological systems currently employed for this research:

- *Arabidopsis thaliana* and *Nicotiana tabacum* (higher plants), useful for reverse genetics, photoprotection and excess-light acclimation analysis, and production of recombinant proteins
- *Chlorella vulgaris* and *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii* (green algae), for developing strains with enhanced light-use efficiency and for studying conversion of solar energy into CO₂-neutral biofuels

Detailed research subjects:

A. Reverse genetics of carotenoid biosynthesis pathway: elucidation of individual xanthophylls in the photoprotection.

- isolation of *Arabidopsis* mutant lines with altered xanthophylls composition and their physiological/biophysical/biochemical characterization
- effects of photooxidative stress on chloroplast biological structures, assessment of reactive oxygen species (ROS) release, ROS scavenging activity, excess energy dissipation by regulative quenching of chlorophyll excited states
- control of chloroplast mRNA translation by xanthophyll species

B. Differential role of the Lhc (light-harvesting complexes) gene family members in the defense of chloroplast against photooxidative stress.

- excitation energy transfer pathways in light-harvesting proteins and photosystem supercomplexes
- molecular mechanisms of non-photochemical fluorescence quenching
- structural organization of photosynthetic supramolecular complexes

- genome editing of Lhcb antenna proteins in *Arabidopsis* with particular reference to their role in resistance to abiotic stresses

C. Triggering molecular responses for chloroplast acclimation to excess light

- ROS effect in modulating expression of target genes, determinant for cell response to photooxidative damage
- comparative analysis of mechanisms by which plants undergo acclimation to different light and temperature conditions

D. Selection of algal strains optimized for biofuel production

- identification of genes controlling biomass yield in green algae
- focus on engineering light penetration in dense cultures typical of photobioreactors, and on modulation of photoprotective mechanisms responsible for resistance to excess light

E. Optimization of lignocellulose degradation processes by exploiting thermostable cell wall hydrolytic enzymes

- isolation of transgenic algal strains producing thermostable cell wall-degrading enzymes
- development of auto-catalytic transgenic tobacco plants accumulating high-temperature activated cell wall-degrading enzymes

Research projects

- (2019 -) Coordinator of research unit VR, PRIN 2017 “From natural to artificial light-harvesting systems: unveiling fundamental processes towards a bio-inspired materials design” (prot. 201795SBA3_004).
- (2017 - 2019) Project “HuntingLight” (Programma Ricerca di Base), granted by UniVR. Principal Investigator.
- (2017 - 2018) Project “Espressione di enzimi termostabili degradativi della parete cellulare nell’alga verde *C. reinhardtii* attraverso trasformazione cloroplastica” (FSE 2017), granted by Regione Veneto. Principal Investigator.
- (2016 - 2017) Project “Espressione di idrolasi termostabili della parete cellulare in *N. tabacum*” (FSE 2016), granted by Regione Veneto. Principal Investigator.

- (2014 - 2017) Project “HyperCell” (Joint Project 2014), granted by UniVR and Zuccato Energia srl. Principal Investigator
- (2013) Research activity – Project “Selection of unicellular algal strains optimized for biofuel production and CO₂ fixation in photobioreactors”, granted by Algasoil srl.
- (2010 - 2013) Research activity – EU project (7th Framework Programme) “SunBioPath”, grant agreement n. 245070, at the Department of Biotechnology, University of Verona. Supervisor: Prof. R. Bassi.
- (2010 - 2012) Research activity on mechanism of photoprotection in higher plants, PRIN 2008 “Productivity and molecular mechanisms of photoprotection in photosynthetic organisms” (prot. 2008XB774B).
- (2008 - 2010) Coordinator of research unit VR3, PRIN 2007 “Regulation of protein turnover in chloroplasts and chromoplasts” (prot. 20073YHRLE_003).
- (2007 – 2008) Research on drought stress in higher plants, PRIN 2006 project “Structural and functional analysis of the photosynthetic apparatus on genotypes of *Z. mays* during cold and drought stress”, (prot. 2006073258_002).
- (2006 – 2007) Research within the framework of FIRB project “National laboratory of genomic and post-genomic of organisms of agricultural interest” (prot. RBLA0345SF_002) at the Department of Science and Technology, University of Verona.
- (2006) Research fellow, research on abiotic stress resistance of higher plants - FIRB project “Research network on genomic of plant response to environmental stress” (prot. RBNE01LACT_002).

Research visits

- (2014) Visiting scientist at the University of Lund, Sweden – Dept. of Chemical Physics (Prof. D. Zigmantas). Research on the roles of major light-harvesting complexes in the mechanism of thermal energy dissipation, measured through ultrafast transient absorption spectroscopy (funded by LaserLab Europe 7thFP and UniVR CooperInt 2014).
- (2013) Visiting scientist at the Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel (Prof. Ziv Reich). The research dealt with the characterization of thylakoid membrane dynamics in a new Lhcb knock-out mutant in *A. thaliana*.
- (2012 - 2013) Visiting scientist at the University of California, Berkeley – Dept. of Plant and Microbial Biology (Prof. K.K. Niyogi). Research on the roles of light-harvesting complexes in the modulation of the excitation energy dissipation, studied by means of transient absorption techniques (ps timescale) (funded by UniVR CooperInt 2012).
- (2012) Visiting scientist at the University of Groningen, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, The Netherlands (Prof. Egbert Boekema), and at the Laboratory of Biophysics,

- Wageningen University, The Netherlands (Prof. Herbert van Amerongen). Characterization of a new Lhcb knock-out mutant in *A. thaliana*.
- (2009 - 2010) Visiting scientist at the Max Planck Institute of Molecular Plant Physiology Potsdam – Golm, Germany (Dr. Maria Piques). Characterization of a xanthophyll-mediated, post-transcriptional regulation of chloroplastic genes expression in *A. thaliana*.
- (2005 - 2007) Visiting scientist at the LGBP (Laboratoire de Biophysique et Genetique des Plantes), Faculté des Sciences de Luminy, Marseille, France. Research on the spectroscopic investigation of triplet excited states of carotenoids on both purified proteins and intact leaves, through techniques of transient absorption (ns timescale).
- (2003) Visiting student at the Institute de Biologie Physico-Chimique, Paris, France. The project concerned the spectroscopic characterization of the mechanism of thermal energy dissipation on WT e mutant *Arabidopsis* plants.

Collaborations

Dr. Michel Havaux, Département de Ecophysiologie Végétale et de Microbiologie, Laboratoire d'Ecophysiologie de la Photosynthèse, Saint-Paul-lez-Durance, France.

Prof. Alexander Ruban, The School of Biological and Chemical Sciences, Queen Mary University of London

Dr. Emilie Wientjes, Laboratory of Biophysics, Wageningen University, The Netherlands.

Dr. Giovanni Giuliano, Ente per le Nuove tecnologie, l'Energia e l'Ambiente (ENEA), Unità Biotecnologie, Centro Ricerche Casaccia, Roma.

Prof. Krishna K. Niyogi, University of California at Berkeley, Dept. of Plant and Microbial biology, Berkeley, CA.

Prof. Alfred Holzwarth, Max Plank Institute for Bioinorganic Chemistry, Mülheim an der Ruhr, Germany.

Prof. Harry Frank, Department of Chemistry, University of Connecticut, Storrs CT.

Prof. Christophe Robaglia e Dr. Reiner Hienerwadel, Laboratoire de Génétique et Biophysique des Plantes (LGBP), Département d'Ecophysiologie Végétale et Microbiologie –CEA-CNRS Université de la Méditerranée Aix-Marseille II, France.

Dr. Giovanni Finazzi, Institut de Recherches en Technologies et Sciences pour le Vivant, CEA Grenoble, France.

Prof. Roberta Croce, Department of Biophysical Chemistry, Groningen Biomolecular Sciences and Biotechnology Institute, University of Groningen, The Netherlands.

Prof. Donatas Zigmantas, Chemical Physics, Lund University, Sweden.

Prof. Herbert van Amerongen, Laboratory of Biophysics, Wageningen University, The Netherlands.

Dr. Shizue Matsubara, Forschungszentrum Jülich ICG-3 (Phytosphäre), Jülich, Germany

Prof. Ziv Reich, Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel

Prof. Masamitsu Wada, Department of Biology, Graduate School of Science, Kyushu University, Fukuoka, Japan

Prof. Donatella Carbonera, Dipartimento di Scienze Chimiche, Università di Padova, Italy
Prof. Massimo Maffei, Dipartimento di Scienza della Vita, Università di Torino, Italy
Prof. Joseph Hirschberg, Dept. of Genetics, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel
Dr Johannes Stuttmann, Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg, Halle, Germany
Prof. Gabriela Schlau-Cohen, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, MA

5. PARTICIPATION TO INTERNATIONAL/NATIONAL MEETINGS

International/National congress participation as invited speaker

International

Dall'Osto L. “Complementary roles of LHCs in the rapid dissipative response to excess light”. International Congress on Biophysics of Photosynthesis: from molecules to the field, Rome, October 2nd-4th, 2019. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Searching for pigment clusters catalyzing photoprotective response in the antenna system of higher plants”. 17th International Congress on Photobiology, Barcelona, August 25th-30th, 2019. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “*In vivo* functional architecture of carotenoid-chlorophyll clusters regulating fast photoprotection response in higher plants”. Gordon Conference Research on Carotenoids, Newry (ME), June 17th-22nd, 2018. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Improving light-use-efficiency and biomass yield of plants by modulating photoprotective mechanisms”. 17th Congress of the European Society of Photobiology, Pisa, September 4th-8th, 2017. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Green biotechnology: improving ROS resistance leads to improved light energy conversion efficiency for biomass and biofuels”. 12th International Conference on Reactive Oxygen and Nitrogen species in plants, Verona, June 24th-26th, 2016. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Domestication of *Chlorella sorokiniana* strains for improved light use efficiency in photobioreactors”. 13th FISV Congress, Pisa, September 24th-27th, 2014. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Control of thylakoid membrane composition by xanthophylls”. 16th International Congress on Photosynthesis – St. Louis MI, August 11th-16nd, 2013. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Plant xanthophylls: specific roles in the organization and photoprotection capacity of the photosynthetic apparatus”. International Congress of Photosynthesis, Société Française de Photosynthèse, Paris - May 16th – 17th, 2011. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Functional genomics of carotenoid biosynthetic pathway reveals specific function for xanthophylls species in photosynthesis and photoprotection”. International Workshop on Photosynthesis, Ried bei Kochel am See - München, September 28th – October 1st, 2008. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Identification of gene products involved in feed-back de-excitation”. XIV International Congress on Photosynthesis – Glasgow, July 17th-22nd, 2007. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Photosynthesis without Lutein”. 14th International Symposium on Carotenoids – Edimburgh, July 17th-22nd, 2005. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Photosynthesis without Lutein”. Les journées de la société française de photosynthèse (SFF), Paris – June 2nd, 2004. *Invited speaker.*

National

Dall'Osto L. “Biogas con enzimi termofili ricombinanti per la degradazione della cellulosa”. Convegno Seci Energia / Gruppo Maccaferri “JCUBe – Open Innovation Call” – Zola Predosa (BO), April 6th, 2018. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Prospettive della domesticazione di alghe unicellulari per la produzione di biocombustibili”. Convegno dell'Accademia dei Lincei “La sfida dei Terawatt: quale ricerca per l'energia del futuro?” - Roma, November 5th-6th, 2013. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Interaction between chloroplast relocation and xanthophyll cycle in regulation of photosynthesis and photoprotection of *Arabidopsis thaliana*”. Congresso della Società Italiana di FotoBiologia – Pisa, June 13th – 14th, 2013. *Invited speaker.*

Dall'Osto L. “Functional genomics of carotenoid biosynthetic pathway reveals specific function for xanthophylls species in photosynthesis and photoprotection”. XLVII Congresso della Società Italiana di Fisiologia Vegetale – Pisa, June 30th – July 2nd, 2008. *Invited speaker.*

International/National congress participation

15th FISV Congress - Roma, September 18th-21st, 2018

SIBV-SIGA Congress – Pisa, September 19th-22th, 2017

17th International Congress on Photosynthesis – Maastricht, August 7th-12th, 2016.

SIBV-SIGA Congress – Milan, September 8th-11th, 2015

12th FISV Congress - Roma, September 24th-27th, 2012

1st SIBV congress – Verona, June 30th – July 2nd, 2009

13th International Congress of Photosynthesis – Palais des Congrès, Montreal – August 29th – September 3rd, 2004.

6. SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

Global H-index: 33/35 (scopus.com/ Google Scholar, updated at 10/11/2019)

https://scholar.google.it/citations?user=QxFb_pEAAAAJ&hl=it

Luca Dall'Osto authored 59 articles in peer-reviewed journals and 2 book chapters. These were cited 3315/4467 times, with 195/262.8 average citations per year, 56.2/75.7 average citations per item (according to Scopus/Google Scholar, updated at 18/02/2020). Luca Dall'Osto is part of the "Top Italian Scientists" category "Natural & Environmental Sciences" (www.topitalianscientists.org).

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2. Vecchi V., Barera S., Bassi R., **Dall'Osto L.** (2020) Potential and challenges of improving photosynthesis in algae. *Plants*, 9, 67. ISSN: 2223-7747. PMID: 31947868.
3. Ordon J., Bressan M., Kretschmer C., **Dall'Osto L.**, Marillonnet S., Bassi R., Stüttmann J. (2020) Optimized Cas9 expression systems for highly efficient Arabidopsis genome editing facilitate isolation of complex alleles in a single generation. *Functional & Integrative Genomics*, 20:151-162. ISSN: 1438-7948. PMID: 30796544.
4. **Dall'Osto L.**, Cazzaniga S., Zappone D., Bassi R. (2020) Monomeric light harvesting complexes enhances excitation energy transfer from LHCI to PSII and control their lateral spacing in thylakoids. *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*, 1861(4). ISSN: 0005-2728. PMID: 31226317.
5. **Dall'Osto L.**, Guardini Z., Barera S., Benedetti M., Mannino G., Maffei M. M., Bassi R. (2019) Combined resistance to oxidative stress and reduced antenna size enhances light-to-biomass conversion efficiency in *Chlorella vulgaris* cultures. *Biotechnology for Biofuels*, 12:211. ISSN: 1754-6834. PMID: 31534480.
6. Dikaios I., Schiphorst C., **Dall'Osto L.**, Alboresi A., Bassi R., Pinnola A. (2019) Functional analysis of LHCSR1, a protein catalyzing NPQ in mosses, by heterologous expression in *Arabidopsis thaliana*. *Photosynthesis Research*, 142(3):249-264. ISSN: 0166-8595. PMID: 31270669.
7. Kondo T., Gordon J.B., Pinnola A., **Dall'Osto L.**, Bassi R., Schlau-Cohen G. (2019) Microsecond and millisecond dynamics in the photosynthetic protein LHCSR1 observed by single-molecule correlation spectroscopy. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 116(23):11247-11252. ISSN: 0027-8424. PMID: 31101718.
8. Benedetti M., Vecchi V., Betterle N., Natali A., Bassi R., **Dall'Osto L.** (2019) Design of a highly thermostable hemicellulose-degrading blend from *Thermotoga neapolitana* for the treatment of lignocellulosic biomass. *J. Biotechnology*, 296: 42-52. ISSN: 0168-1656. PMID: 30885654.
9. Benedetti M., Vecchi V., Barera S., **Dall'Osto L.** (2018) Biomass from microalgae: the potential of domestication towards sustainable biofactories. *Microbial Cell Factories*, 17(1): 173. ISSN:1475-2859 PMID: 30414618.
10. Pinnola A., Alboresi A., Nosek L., Semchonok D., Rameez A., Trotta A., Barozzi F., Kouril R., **Dall'Osto L.**, Aro E.-M., Boekema E.J., Bassi R. (2018) A LHCB9-dependent photosystem I megacomplex induced under low light in *Physcomitrella patens*. *Nature Plants*, 4(11): 910-919. ISSN: 2055-026X. PMID: 30374091.

11. Bressan M., Bassi R., **Dall'Osto L.** (2018) Light harvesting complex I is essential for Photosystem II photoprotection under variable light conditions in *Arabidopsis thaliana*. ***Environmental and Experimental Botany***, 154: 89-98. ISSN: 0098-8472. DOI: 10.1016/j.envexpbot.2018.03.003.
12. Bressan M., Bassi R., **Dall'Osto L.** (2018) Loss of LHCI system affects LHCII re-distribution between thylakoid domains upon state transitions. ***Photosynthesis Research***, 135(1-3): 251-261. ISSN: 0166-8595. PMID: 28918549.
13. Zhao L., Cheng D., Huang X., Chen M., **Dall'Osto L.**, Xing J., Gao L., Li L., Wang Y., Bassi R., Peng L., Rochaix J.-D., Huang F. (2017) A Light Harvesting Complex-like protein in maintenance of photosynthetic components in *Chlamydomonas*. ***Plant Physiology***, 174(4): 2419-2433. ISSN: 0032-0889. PMID: 28637830.
14. Kondo T., Pinnola A., Chen W.J., **Dall'Osto L.**, Bassi R. and Schlau-Cohen G. (2017) Single-molecule spectroscopy of LHCSR1 protein dynamics identifies two distinct states responsible for multi-timescale photosynthetic photoprotection. ***Nature Chemistry***, 9(8): 772-778. ISSN: 1755-4330. PMID: 28754946.
15. **Dall'Osto L.**, Cazzaniga S., Bressan M., Paleček D., Židek K., Niyogi K.K., Fleming G.R., Zigmantas D., Bassi R. (2017) Two mechanisms for dissipation of excess light in monomeric and trimeric light-harvesting complexes. ***Nature Plants***, 3:17033. ISSN: 2055-026X. PMID: 28394312.
16. Pii Y., Alessandrini M., **Dall'Osto L.**, Guardini K., Prinsi B., Espen L., Zamboni A., Varanini Z. (2016) Time-resolved investigation of molecular components involved in the induction of NO₃⁻ high affinity transport system in maize roots. ***Front. Plant Sci.*** doi: 10.3389/fpls.2016.01657. ISSN: 1664-462X. PMID: 27877183.
17. Bressan M., **Dall'Osto L.**, Bargigia I., Alcocer M. J. P., Viola D., Cerullo G., D'Andrea C., Bassi R., Ballottari M. (2016) LHCII can substitute for LHCI as an antenna for Photosystem I but with reduced light-harvesting capacity. ***Nature Plants***, 2: 16131. ISSN: 2055-026X. PMID: 27564313.
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19. Ware A. M., **Dall'Osto L.**, Ruban A. (2016) An *in vivo* quantitative comparison of photoprotection in *Arabidopsis* xanthophyll mutants. ***Front. Plant Sci.*** doi: 10.3389/fpls.2016.00841 ISSN: 1664-462X. PMID: 27446097.
20. Borisova-Mubarakshina M., Ivanov B.N., Vetoshkina D.V., Lubimov V.Y., Fedorchuk T.P., Naydov I.A., Kozuleva M.A., Rudenko N.N., **Dall'Osto L.**, Cazzaniga S., Bassi R. (2015) Long-term acclimatory response to excess excitation energy: evidence for a role of hydrogen peroxide in the regulation of photosystem II antenna size. ***J. Exp. Bot.***, 66(22): 7151-7164. ISSN: 0022-0957. PMID: 26324464.
21. **Dall'Osto L.**, Bressan M., Bassi R. (2015) Biogenesis of Light Harvesting Proteins. ***Biochim. Biophys. Acta*** 1847(9): 861-871. ISSN: 0005-2728. PMID: 25687893.
22. **Dall'Osto L.**, Unlu C., Cazzaniga S., van Amerongen, H. (2014) Disturbed excitation energy transfer in *Arabidopsis thaliana* mutants lacking minor antenna complexes of Photosystem II. ***Biochim. Biophys. Acta*** 1837(12): 1981-1988. ISSN: 0005-2728. PMID: 25291424.

23. Cazzaniga S., **Dall'Osto L.***, Scibilia L., Szaub J., Ballottari M., Purton S. and Bassi R. (2014) Domestication of the green alga *Chlorella sorokiniana*: reduction of antenna size improves light-use efficiency in a photobioreactor. *Biotechn. Biofuels* 7(1): 157. E-ISSN: 1754-6834. PMID: 25352913.
24. Peterson R.B., Oja V., Eichelmann H., Bichele I., **Dall'Osto L.**, Laisk A. (2014) Fluorescence F_0 of photosystems II and I in developing C_3 and C_4 leaves, and implications on regulation of excitation balance. *Photosynth. Res.* 122(1): 41-56. ISSN: 0166-8595. PMID: 24817180.
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27. Cazzaniga S., **Dall'Osto L.***, Kong S.-G., Wada M., Bassi R. (2013) Interaction between avoidance of photon absorption, excess energy dissipation and zeaxanthin synthesis against photooxidative stress in *Arabidopsis*. *Plant J.* 76(4): 568-579. ISSN: 0960-7412. PMID: 24033721.
28. Pinnola A., **Dall'Osto L.**, Gerotto C., Morosinotto T., Bassi R., Alessandro Alboresi A. (2013) Zeaxanthin binds to light-harvesting complex stress-related protein to enhance nonphotochemical quenching in *Physcomitrella patens*. *Plant Cell* 25(9): 3519-3534. ISSN: 1040-4651. PMID: 24014548.
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30. **Dall'Osto L.**, Holt N.H., Kaligotla S., Fuciman M., Cazzaniga S., Carbonera D., Frank H.A., Alric J., Bassi R. (2012) Zeaxanthin protects plant photosynthesis by modulating chlorophyll triplet yield in specific light-harvesting antenna subunits. *J. Biol. Chem.* 287(50): 41820-34. ISSN: 0021-9258. PMID: 23066020.
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7. REVIEWER

International journals

Plant Physiology, Plant Journal, BMC Plant Biology, BBA Bioenergetic, Plant BioSystems, Scientific Reports, Cell Research, Journal of Integrative Plant Biology, Environmental & Experimental Botany, New Phytologist,

Plant Biology, J. Photochem. Photobiol., J. Plant Interaction, Molecular Plant, J. Phycology, Photosynthesis Research, Planta.

Review panel membership

- (2019) Chilean National Science and Technology Commission
- (2018) Academy of Finland
- (2017) Member of the scientific evaluation PLANT panel, Academy of Finland
- (2016) Agence Nationale de la Recherche, France
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- (2013 - 2019) Czech Science Foundation
- (2012 - 2020) National Science Centre (NCN), Poland
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Editorial Board membership

- (2019 -) Review Editor, Frontiers in Plant Science
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- (2016 - 2018) Lecturer, ESP Photobiology School, Brixen
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- (2009 -) Lecturer in “Plant secondary metabolism and metabolic engineering”, master degree in Biotechnology LM7, University of Verona. 6 CFU.
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- (2002 - 2007) Teaching assistant, course of “Plant Biochemistry” and “Biotechnology and abiotic stress”, Faculty of Science, University of Verona , held by Prof. Roberto Bassi.

Supervisor of undergraduate/PhD students

- (2017 -) Main supervisor, Valeria Vecchi (PhD thesis) “Improving light-to-biomass conversion efficiency in wild type and mutant strains of *C. vulgaris*”. Secondary supervisor, Zeno

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- (2014 - 2017) Main supervisor, Mauro Bressan (PhD thesis) “Role of the PSI peripheral antenna in the acclimation of *Arabidopsis* to changing light conditions”. Main supervisor, Ernesto Mitruccio (M.Sc. thesis), Gianluca Zorzi (Bachelor’s thesis), Edoardo Righetti (Bachelor’s thesis), Federico Aimi (Bachelor’s thesis).
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- (2012 - 2015) Secondary supervisor, Stefano Cazzaniga (PhD thesis) “Improving microalga *Chlorella* to increase growth in bioreactor and biodiesel yield”.
- (2010 - 2014) Main Supervisor, Michela Ronzani (PhD thesis) “Role of protein turnover in plant chloroplast”.
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- (2008) Co-supervisor of Silvia de Bianchi, who was awarded of the "Ben Amour" prize for the best thesis work, Italian Society of Photobiology.
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- (2004) Organization and management of post-graduate training stage, Dr. Stefano Cazzaniga (Degree in Biomedical Biotechnology).

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- (2015 -) Referente CdS (coordinator), MSc LM-7 Agri-food Biotechnology.
- (2013 -) Member of Teaching staff, PhD in Biotechnology.
- (2007 - 2013) Member of Teaching staff, Doctoral School in Molecular, Environmental and Industrial Biotechnology.
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- (2018) Pre-examinator of PhD thesis: “Study of carbon metabolism in plants: from enzymes to the organism, from physiology to stress”, Dr. L. Guerrieri (University of Bologna);

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- (2017) Member, Organizing Committee – Winter School “Plant biotechnology and environmental sustainability”, Canazei – January 15th-20th
- (2016) Opponent in PhD defences: Dr. N. Di Giacinto, University of Bologna, “Cysteine-based redox modifications in the regulation of Calvin-Benson cycle enzymes from *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii*”; Dr. C. Pirone, University of Bologna, “Disentangling the role of transitory starch storages in plant development and in osmotic stress response”.
- (2013 - 2017) Counsellor, Italian Society of Plant Biology.

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- (2015 / 2017) Member, Scientific Committee – Joint Congresses SIBV-SIGA, Milan 2015 and Pisa 2017
- (2007 - 2012) Lecturer at the “Research Days” organized by Faculty of Science, University of Verona, Degree in Biotechnology

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