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full professor in chemometrics, QSAR and analytical chemistry



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EDUCATION

PhD in food biotechnology

Università degli Studi di Milano 2003 - 2006

Master Degree in Environmental Sciences

(110/110 cum laude) Università degli Studi di Milano-Bicocca 1996 – 2002

INFORMATIC SKILLS

PROFILE

I graduated in Environmental Sciences in 2002 and since then I have been working in chemometrics, analytical chemistry and Quantitative Structure Activity Relationship (QSAR). I am associate professor at the Milano Chemometrics and QSAR Research Group (Department of Earth and Environmental Science, University of Milano - Bicocca).

I have experience in multivariate data analysis (especially supervised classification) applied to both analytical and QSAR data; I also like to code MATLAB toolboxes for the calculation of multivariate models and share them publicly. I am author of more than 100 peer reviewed papers and have been included in the Top 2% Scientists list according to DOI:10.17632/btchxktzyw.5

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Full professor

October 2023 – now

Full professor in chemometrics, QSAR and analytical chemistry at the Milano Chemometrics and QSAR Research Group (Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of Milano - Bicocca).

Associate professor

September 2018 – September 2023

Associate professor in chemometrics, QSAR and analytical chemistry at the Milano Chemometrics and QSAR Research Group (Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of Milano - Bicocca).

Full researcher

September 2015 - August 2018

Researcher in chemometrics, QSAR and analytical chemistry at the Milano Chemometrics and QSAR Research Group (Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of Milano - Bicocca).

Post-doc

March 2014 - February 2015

Post-doc funded by Reach and Colour Italia at the Milano Chemometrics and QSAR Research Group (University of Milano - Bicocca) for the quantitative analysis of relationships between molecular structures and toxicological and chemical-physical properties of dyes.

EC project funding

January 2011 - February 2014

EC funding at the Milano Chemometrics and QSAR Research Group (University of Milano - Bicocca) under the FP7 framework to develop a new, safe, multifunctional accelerator curative molecule which can replace thiourea-based accelerators in the vulcanisation process.

Post-doc

Python and MATLAB

Author of MATLAB toolboxes for multivariate analysis, available at:

http://www.michem.unimib.it

Co-author of HYPER-Tools Graphical User Interface for Hyperspectral Image Analysis https://www.hypertools.org/ January 2007 - December 2010

Post-doc grant (Milano Chemometrics and QSAR Research Group, University of Milano - Bicocca) for the development of an on-line database of molecular structures.

PhD

January 2004 - October 2006

PhD project in food biotechnology (University of Milano): Chemometric characterisation of physical-chemical fingerprints of food products.

Visiting PhD student for 8 months (Jan-May 2005 and Jul-Sep 2006) at the Spectroscopy and Chemometrics Group (The Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University, Copenhagen), world leader in multi-way analysis and chemometrics.

Scholarship

January 2003 - December 2003

Scholarship (University of Milano - Bicocca) for the analysis of quality indices applicable on soils in Lombardia by means of multivariate analysis.

Stage

October 2002 - December 2002

Stage at Synergia S.r.l., consulting company specializing in workplace safety and environmental protection.

Scholarship

April 2002 - September 2002

Scholarship (University of Milano - Bicocca) for the evaluation, selection and development of softwares concerning didactical tests.

ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONAL OFFICES

March 2023 – now

Member of the Presidio della Qualità - Ramo Ricerca (PQA Ricerca) of the University of Milano - Bicocca.

June 2022 - now

Coordinator of the *Gruppo divisionale di Chemiometria della Divisione di Chimica Analitica della Società Chimica Italiana*.

June 2022 - now

Member of the scientific committee of EURIS, Centre for the sustainable use and risk assessment of chemicals at the Department of Earth and Environmental Science, University of Milano – Bicocca.

December 2021 - now

Member of the *Commissione revisione offerta formativa* at the degree in chemical science and technology, University of Milano - Bicocca.

February 2021 - now

Vice coordinator of the Ph.D. Course in Chemical, Geological and Environmental Sciences at the University of Milano - Bicocca.

June 2020 - now

Coordinator of the chemical curriculum of the Ph.D. Course in Chemical, Geological and Environmental Sciences at the University of Milano - Bicocca.

March 2020 - now

Member of the board of the Ph.D. Course in Chemical, Geological and Environmental Sciences at the University of Milano - Bicocca.

January 2020 - now

Member of the scientific and didactical council of the University of Milano-Bicocca unit for the inter-university center for the replacement, reduction and refinement of animal testing (3R)

November 2019 - now

Member of the research quality committee at the Department of Earth and Environmental Science, University of Milano - Bicocca.

February 2019 – June 2022

Member of the board of the Gruppo divisionale di Chemiometria della Divisione di Chimica Analitica della Società Chimica Italiana.

November 2018 - September 2024

Member of the Council (qiunta) of the Department of Earth and Environmental Science, University of Milano - Bicocca.

September 2021 – September 2024

Member of the departmental "commissione paritetica" at the Department of Earth and Environmental Science, University of Milano – Bicocca.

October 2018 - January 2022

Quality insurer at the Bachelor degree in chemical science and technology, University of Milano - Bicocca.

SCIENTIFIC PROJECTS and CONSULTANCIES

SafeRubber

Role in the project: research assistant. The SafeRubber project (ga 2-243756, founded by the European Community, Call: SME-2008) has received EC funding under the FP7 framework to develop a new, safe, multifunctional accelerator curative molecule which can replace thiourea-based accelerators in the vulcanisation process.

Environmental ChemOinformatics

Role in the project: research assistant, co-supervisor of long-term and short-term fellows. Environmental ChemOinformatic (ECO) Marie Curie Initial Training Network (ga 238701, founded by the European Community: Marie Curie Initial Training Networks, Call: FP7-PEOPLE-ITN-2008) was a collaborative action of 7 institutions from 5 EU countries to contribute to the education of environmental chemo-informaticians who will receive an advanced training in both environmental sciences and computational in silico methods.

Research activities and coordination in the following scientific consultancies:

- REACH&Colours Italia (2013-2016): QSAR software for the study of dyes properties
- Ruffino s.r.l. (2013-2017), chemical characterisation and advanced statistical tools for the geographical identification of red wines by ICP-MS elemental analysis.
- Athlon Car Lease Italy s.r.l. (2016), multivariate statistical models for the analysis of car price in relation to different marketing scenarios.
- Total Marketing Service France (2014-2015), QSPR to evaluate the relationships between molecular structure and lubrication properties of gasoil additives.
- ENI S.p.A. (2013), scientific consultancy and training course on the use of statistical modelling to characterize raw oils through analytical profiles.
- Demetra s.r.l. (2013), training course on statistic-mathematical methods for the analysis of electronic nosedetected chemical data.

TEACHING: PhD COURSES

Lecturer in the PhD course "Machine learning for multivariate data analysis"

Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of Milano-Bicocca February 2024 (20 hours), July 2023 (16 hours), July 2022 (16 hours), July 2021 (16 hours), July 2020 (16 hours)

Lecturer in the PhD course "International School of Chemometrics"

University of Bilbao and Copenhagen

Module on classification methods: June 2023 (14 hours), June 2022 (14 hours), June 2021 (14 hours), October 2020 (14 hours)

Lecturer in the PhD course "Copenhagen School of Chemometrics"

Department of Food Science, Faculty of Life Sciences, University of Copenhagen

Module on classification methods: May 2019 (14 hours), May 2018 (14 hours), May 2017 (14 hours), June 2015 (14 hours), July 2014 (28 hours), September 2013 (16 hours), November 2010 (12 hours)

Lecturer in the PhD course "The principles of 3Rs in biomedical studies"

School of Medicine and Surgery, University of Milano-Bicocca

Module on Development of QSAR in silico models for the studies on the relationship between structure and molecular properties: June 2022 (2 hour), June 2021 (2 hour)

Lecturer in the PhD course of Chemical Sciences

Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Milan Module on Principal Component Analysis: July 2019 (1 hour)

Lecturer in the PhD course of Pharmaceutical Sciences

Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Milan Module on Principal Component Analysis: May 2015 (6 hours)

TEACHING: MASTER and BACHELOR

Lecturer in the course of Analytical Chemistry

Bachelor degree in chemical science and technology, University of Milano - Bicocca

March-May 2024 (35 hours), March-May 2023 (35 hours), March-May 2022 (35 hours), March-May 2020 (35 hours)

Lecturer in the course of Analytical Methods for the Formulation Chemistry

Master degree in chemical science and technology, University of Milano - Bicocca

March-May 2024 (52 hours), March-May 2023 (48 hours), March-May 2022 (48 hours), March-May 2021 (48 hours)

Lecturer in the course of Instrumental Analytical Chemistry

Bachelor degree in chemical science and technology, University of Milano - Bicocca

October 2018 (14 hours), October 2017 (14 hours), October 2016 (14 hours)

Laboratory of Chemometrics

Master degree in chemical science and technology, University of Milano - Bicocca

January 2024 (12 hours), January 2023 (12 hours), January 2022 (12 hours), January 2021 (12 hours), January 2020 (12 hours), January 2019 (12 hours), January 2018 (12 hours), January 2017 (12 hours), December 2015 (12 hours), January 2014 (10 hours), January 2013 (24 hours)

Laboratory of Instrumental Analytical Chemistry

Bachelor degree in chemical science and technology, University of Milano - Bicocca

December 2018 (30 hours), December 2017 (30 hours), December 2016 (36 hours), December 2015 (36 hours)

Laboratory of Analytical Chemistry

Bachelor degree in chemical science and technology, University of Milano - Bicocca

April 2024 (32 hours), April 2023 (32 hours), April 2022 (32 hours), April 2021 (32 hours), April 2020 (40 hours), April 2019 (52 hours), April 2018 (20 hours), April 2017 (24 hours), April 2016 (20 hours), April 2015 (20 hours), October 2013 (20 hours), October 2012 (24 hours), October 2009 (56 hours)

Bachelor degree in environmental science and technology, University of Milano - Bicocca

October-November 2023 (20 hours), October-November 2022 (30 hours), October-November 2021 (30 hours), October-November 2020 (30 hours), November 2019 (20 hours), November 2018 (20 hours), November 2016 (20 hours), November 2015 (20 hours)

Lecturer in the course of Advanced Chemometrics

Master degree at the Department of Food Science, Faculty of Life Sciences, University of Copenhagen (Denmark) Module on multivariate classification: December 2011 (7.5 ECTS)

Lecturer in the course of Multivariate Analysis

Master degree in industrial biotechnology, University of Milano - Bicocca

Module on multivariate classification: December 2014 (4 hours), November 2013 (8 hours), November 2012 (8 hours)

Lecturer in the course of Basics of Statistical and Multivariate Analysis

Bachelor Degree in Optics and Optometry, University of Milano - Bicocca May 2014 (16 hours), April 2013 (18 hours)

TEACHING: SEMINARS and INVITED COURSES

University of the Basque Country

September 2024

Beyond linear in classification. An introduction to Support Vectors Machine, Random Forest and Artificial Neural Networks, course on advanced classification methods at the University of the Basque Country (Bilbao) supported by Erasmus+ program

September 2023

Chemometrically Speaking 5 – Classification, course on advanced classification methods at the University of the Basque Country (Bilbao) supported by Erasmus+ program

Scuola Superiore di Chimica Analitica per Dottorandi

12 june 2025

Introduction to Chemometrics: principles and methods

Chemometric strategies for the fusion and multiblock analysis of data from different analytical platforms

University of Burgos

October 2023

Invited lecture: An introduction to classification for modelling chemical data

Short course: A deep insight into Support Vector Machines (SVM)

Chemometric Group of Copenhagen, University of Copenhagen

January 2023

On-line seminar "Chemometrics and molecular fingerprints to enhance LC-MS/MS spectral match"

NIEHS Clustering Classification Virtual Workshop - National Institutes of Health (NIH)

October 2022

On-line seminar on unsupervised clustering and supervised classification

Winter School (combining NIR spectroscopy and Chemometrics)

January 2022

Course on multivariate classification and regression in the framework of NIR spectroscopy (SISNIR).

IV Winter School of Chemometrics

August 2019

Course on multivariate classification at the IV Winter School of Chemometrics

Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul (Porto Alegre, Brasil)

Winter School (combining NIR spectroscopy and Chemometrics)

January 2019

Course on multivariate classification in the framework of NIR spectroscopy (Univeristà degli Studi di Milano).

NMR laboratory of the State General Laboratory (Nicosia, Cyprus)

June 2016

Seminar "Chemometric analysis for the evaluation of analytical data" at the State General Laboratory (Nicosia, Cyprus) and course "SIMCA for isotopic and analytical data regarding food and drink authenticity".

University of Azuay (Cuenca, Ecuador)

January 2016

Course (80 hours) on Chemometrics and QSAR applied to molecules of biological interest.

University of Bolzano (Italy)

May 2014

Seminar on multivariate analysis of isotopic data at the Department of Science and Technology.

Pontificia Universidad Javeriana (Bogota, Colombia)

May 2013

Seminar on Multivariate Analysis as a tool for the development and control of bioprocesses.

Pontificia Universidad Javeriana (Bogota, Colombia)

May 2013

Course of Multivariate Analysis applied to Microbiological data (12 hours).

Università degli Studi del Piemonte Orientale (Italy)

March 2012

Chemometrics and Experimental Design course (16 hours) at the Master in Materials for Energy and Environment.

University of Copenhagen (Denmark)

December 2011

Seminar on Classification methods in chemometrics at Department of Food Science, Faculty of Life Sciences.

National University of Colombia (Bogota, Colombia)

March 2011

Course on chemometrics (12 hours).

University of Milano - Bicocca

October 2010

Assistant in the training course on Experimental Design (32 hours) in the project Formulation and developing of new products in cosmetic companies.

National University of Colombia (Bogota, Colombia)

February 2010

Course on chemometrics (20 hours) in the framework of the project Selection of physical chemical indicators for cataloguing Colombian apicultural products.

University of Loja (Ecuador)

November 2008

Course on chemometrics and basic multivariate modelling (16 hours),

University of Cuenca (Ecuador)

October 2008

Course (30 hours) of advanced modelling and applications on environmental and technological problems (modelistica superior aplicada a problemas tecnologicos y gestion ambiental) for the Master of technological management.

National University of Colombia (Bogotá, Colombia)

November 2006

Course on chemometrics (20 hours) at the National University of Colombia in Bogota, during the cooperation program between IILA (Institute Italo - Latino Americano) and the National University of Colombia.

Supervisor:

Giacomo Baccolo, Integration of omics-data based on advanced chemometric approaches. PhD in chemistry, University of Milano-Bicocca / University of Copenhagen, discussed May 2022

Cecile Valsecchi, Novel machine learning approaches to detect nuclear receptors modulators. PhD in chemistry, University of Milano-Bicocca, discussed January 2022

Co-supervisor:

Matteo Cassotti, QSAR study of aquatic toxicity by chemometrics methods in the framework of REACH regulation. PhD in chemistry, University of Milano-Bicocca, March 2015

Faizan Sahigara, Tools for prediction of environmental properties of chemicals by QSAR/QSPR within REACH. An applicability domain perspective. PhD in environmental science, University of Milano-Bicocca, June 2013, Marie Curie ITN Environmental Chemoinformatics (ECO) project

Kamel Mansouri, New molecular descriptors for estimating degradation and fate of organic pollutants by QSAR/QSPR models within REACH. PhD in environmental science, University of Milano-Bicocca, June 2013, Marie Curie ITN Environmental Chemoinformatics (ECO) project

Tutor

Enmanuel Cruz Munoz, Geochemical study of sulfide minerals persistence in the sedimentary records, University of Milano-Bicocca

Valentina Bellotti, Synthesis and characterization of amphiphilic block-copolymer nano-object prepared by PET-RAFT PISA polymerization as confined systems for up conversion, University of Milano-Bicocca, 2024

External reviewer:

Fabio Fornari, Innovative materials for miniaturized sample preparation techniques, environmental and food packaging applications. University of Parma, 2023

Martina Foschi, Geographical traceability of traditional food products by multi-elemental and spectroscopic profiling methods combined with chemometrics, University of l'Aquila

Giorgia Orlandi, Development of Multivariate Image Analysis Methods for Food Colour Characterization. University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, 2019

Eleonora Amante, Eleonora Amante:

Title of the Thesis: Chemometric interpretation of targeted and untargeted metabolomics for the investigation of clinical diseases and sport induced deviations. University of Torino, 2019

Ainara Lopez, Near-infrared spectroscopy and hyperspectral imaging for non-destructive quality inspection of potatoes. University of Navarre (Spain), 2016

SUPERVISION BACHELOR and MSc

Master degree in chemistry

Martina Peracchi, Valutazioni delle funzionalità di un nuovo polimero di origine naturale in prodotti make-up, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), July 2023

Alberto Azrak, New anti-perspirant deodorants for cosmetic applications, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), November 2022

Alessandro Bordin, Formulazione di una sospensione stabile di PTFE micronizzato in basi minerali e sintetiche, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), November 2022

Martina Barbagallo, Development and validation of deep-learning strategies for the prediction of the molecular structure by LC-MS/MS spectra, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), November 2021

Leonardo Fedrigotti, Experimental Design and Chemometrics for innovative formulation of fragrance in Fast Moving Consumer Goods, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), November 2021

Davide Crucitti, Consensus based Multi-Target classification of drugs interaction with P-glycoprotein, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), November 2021

Martina Caserta, Enhancing compound identification: application of deep learning to predict molecular structures from mass spectra, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), July 2021

Maria Cairoli, Multicolor flow cytometry and chemometrics for understanding the effects of prolonged physical exercise on the human innate immune system, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), February 2021

Erika Colombo, NMR spectroscopy and chemometric methods applied to heparin: detection of contaminants and comparison of production sites, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), February 2021

Francesca Gritti, Sviluppo, ottimizzazione e convalida di un metodo analitico per la determinazione di impurezze di NDMA in ranitidina, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), September 2020

Pietro Bertani, A multivariate approach at the thermodynamic properties of polyamino polycarboxylic complexes with paramagnetic and other endogenous metal ions, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), September 2020

Magda Collarile, Multi-target qsar models to predict nuclear receptor modulation, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), July 2020

Genny Cau, In silico modelling for androgen and estrogen disrupting potential of chemicals, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), March 2019, (Erasmus at Helmholtz Zentrum München)

Claudio Marchesi, Metodi chemiometrici per il pretrattamento e l'elaborazione multivariata di profili cromatografici per la valutazione della shelf-life di prodotti alimentari, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), October 2018

Chiara Arienti, Chemoinformatic approaches for the prediction of molecular toxicologic activity, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), July 2018

Mattia Coppolino, Study and application of chemometric "data fusion" techniques for the integration of chemical data, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), September 2017

Alessandro Fabbrica, Chemoinformatic strategy for the development of in silico models releated to the molecular interaction with androgen receptor, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), July 2017

Matteo Cassotti, Evaluation of performance and toxicological relevance of accelerators used in the vulcanization process of polychloroprene rubbers, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), October 2011

Master degree in environmental sciences

Matteo Mastropierro, Multivariate analysis of environmental omics data for an untargeted freshwater quality alarm, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), October 2018

Cecile Valsecchi, Chemoinformatic protocol to search for relevant structural alerts of environmental interest, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), October 2017

Fabrizio Biganzoli, Comparison of recent advances in consensus modelling of environmental and toxicological QSAR predictions, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), November 2016

Filippo Gravino, Design of chemometric and QSAR solutions to develop inhibitors of trehalase as insecticides, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), October 2015

Bachelor degree in chemistry

Giovanni Caccamo, Sviluppo di metodi analitici per l'estrazione di composti organici da matrici polimeriche e da poli(ossido di 2,6 difenil-p-fenilene), University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), November 2019

Davide Boldini, Development of a chemometric algorithm for classification of stains via spectroscopic approaches, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), September 2019

Carlo Gariboldi, Development of a chemometric data fusion model for predicting quality parameters of micellar solutions, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), September 2019

Martina Basili, Studio delle interferenze derivanti dalla matrice e dalla procedura preparativa per l'analisi di campioni ambientali mediante tecnica ICP-OES, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), September 2019

Federica Porta, Sviluppo di metodiche spettroscopiche IR per l'analisi di microplastiche in ambiente marino, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), September 2019

Gianluca Beretta, Analisi dei parametri di qualità di prodotti esistenti, denominati masterbatch bianchi, nel trasferimento delle produzioni da una linea standard ad un nuovo impianto ad alta automazione, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), February 2019

Lorenzo Guaita, Caratterizzazione reologica di poliammide 6.6, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), February 2019

Alessio Minghinelli, Sviluppo di metodiche analitiche mediante GCMS per la determinazione di parametri non tabellati del D.LGS. 152/06, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), February 2019

Emanuele Baffi, Taratura di quantometro ottico per la determinazione del bario in matrice di piombo e caratterizzazione di un sottoprodotto del ciclo produttivo del piombo, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), September 2018

Erika Colombo, Characterisation of pollen with vibrational spetroscopy and chemometrics, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), July 2018

Maria Cairoli, Evaluation of NIR data pretreatment for the characterisation of pharmaceutical tablets, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), July 2018

Giorgia Conti, Acque destinate al consumo umano. Analisi dei microinquinanti emergenti: screening mediante HPLC-HRMS di composti farmaceutici persistenti, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), March 2018

Mattia Pagnoncelli, Determinazione di azoto totale in acque reflue e scarichi industriali: confronto tra ossidazione catalitica ad alta temperatura e metodo ossidativo con persolfato, University of Milano - Bicocca (Italy), November 2017

Advisor activities

Mohammad Shahbazy, Exploratory analysis of excitation-emission fluorescence data from colorectal cancer with oblique rotation of factors and self-organizing maps, Institute for Advanced Studies in Basic Sciences (Iran), September 2013

Cristian Rojas Villa, Aplicación del aprendizaje automático para la predicción del gusto de moléculas orgánicas, Universidad Nacional de Córdoba, November 2021

REFEREE and EDITORIAL BOARD ACTIVITY

Editorial Board Member, Chemometrics and Intelligent Laboratory Systems (peer-reviewed, Elsevier)

Review Editor, Frontiers in Analytical Science – Chemometrics (peer-reviewed, Frontiers)

Continuative activity as referee for the following peer reviewed international journals: African Journal of Agricultural Research Algorithms for Molecular Biology Analyst

Analytica Chimica Acta (top referee 2008)

Analytical Chemistry

Analytical & Bioanalytical Chemistry

Atmospheric Environment

Central European Journal of Chemistry

Chemical Reviews

Chemometrics and Intelligent Laboratory Systems

Environmental Pollution

European Food Research and Technology

Food and Bioprocess Technology: An International Journal

IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics

International Journal of Molecular Sciences

International Journal of Pharmaceutics

Iranian Journal of Mathematical Chemistry

Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry

Journal of Biomedical Science and Engineering

Journal of Chemical Information and Modeling

Journal of Chemometrics

Journal of Chromatography A

Journal of Computational Chemistry

Journal of Computer-Aided Molecular Design

Journal of Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Analysis (top referee 2006)

Journal of the Iranian Chemical Society

Mechanical Systems and Signal Processing

Molecular informatics

SAR and QSAR in Environmental Research

Science of the Total Environment

Spectrochimica Acta Part A: Molecular and Biomolecular Spectroscopy

Talanta

PARTECIPATION TO SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

Young researcher forum on sustainable biomass and climate change, 19-22 October 2021, Milan (Italy)

Chemometrics Open Day - La Chemiometria oggi: un confronto aperto, 16 June 2021, on line workshop

CHEMINFOICD3-03: Chemoinformatics North Carolina Workshop Series and International Conference on Drug Design & Discovery 2021, on-line event, Bilbao, Spain-München, Germany-Chapell Hill, Durham, USA

The International Conference on Contemporary Issues in Data Science, 5-8 March 2019, Zanjan (Iran)

PARTECIPATION TO ORGANISING COMMITTEE

Symposium of Young Chemometricians 2025, bertinoro (Italy), 3-6 febraury 2025

Workshop di Chemiometria 2024, Ravenna (Italia), 27-29 may 2024

Centro 3R IV annual meeting, Milano (Italia), 13-15 september 2023

XI Colloquium Chemiometricum Mediterraneum, Padova (Italia), 27-30 june 2023

Chemometrics Open Day - La Chemiometria oggi, on-line, 9 february 2023

Chemometrics Open Day - La Chemiometria oggi: un confronto aperto, on-line, 16 june 2021

VIII Colloquium Chemiometricum Mediterraneum, Bevagna (Italia), 30 giugno - 4 july 2013

PUBLICATIONS

PhD Thesis

Chemometric characterisation of physical-chemical fingerprints of food products

D. Ballabio

PhD thesis, University of Milano (2006), discussed on 22/01/2007

Papers on peer reviewed international journals:

116. Development of Quantitative Structure–Anti-Inflammatory Relationships of Alkaloids C. Rojas, D. Muñoz, I. Corder, B. Tenesaca, D. Ballabio Chemistry Proceedings, 2024, 16, 77

115. Condensed phase membrane introduction mass spectrometry: A new frontier for the real-time monitoring of hazardous chemical migration from food contact materials

M. Piergiovanni, V. Termopoli, C. Maffezzoni, N. Riboni, V. Consonni, F. Bianchi, M. Mattarozzi, D. Ballabio, M. Careri Green Analytical Chemistry, 2025, 12, 100199

114. Oxidative weathering of pyrite in acidic environments: Data-driven experimental evaluation coupled with Raman hyperspectral imaging

E. Cruz Muñoz, F. Gosetti, S. Andò, D. Ballabio, E. Garzanti Science of The Total Environment, 2024, 954, 176284

113. Extended multivariate comparison of 68 cluster validity indices. A review

R. Todeschini, D. Ballabio, V. Termopoli, V. Consonni

Chemometrics and Intelligent Laboratory Systems 2024, 251, 105117

112. Effectiveness of molecular fingerprints for exploring the chemical space of natural products.

D. Boldini, D. Ballabio, V. Consonni, R. Todeschini, F. Grisoni, S.A. Sieber Journal of Cheminformatics 2024, 16, 35

111. Kernel-based mapping of reliability in predictions for consensus modelling

V. Consonni, R. Todeschini, M. Orlandi, D. Ballabio

Chemometrics and Intelligent Laboratory Systems 2024, 246, 105085

110. Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Methods to Evaluate Cardiotoxicity following the Adverse Outcome Pathway Frameworks

E. Viganò, D. Ballabio, A. Roncaglioni

Toxics 2024, 12, 87

109. Comparison of machine learning approaches for the classification of elution profiles

G. Baccolo, H. Yu, C. Valsecchi, D. Ballabio, R. Bro

Chemometrics and Intelligent Laboratory Systems 2023, 243, 105002

108. Enhanced Visualization and Interpretation of XMCD-PEEM Data Using SOM-RPM Machine Learning

S.Y. Wong, S.L. Harmer, W. Gardner, A.K. Schenk, D. Ballabio, P.J. Pigram

Advanced Materials Interfaces 2023, 2300581

107. Effect of data preprocessing and machine learning hyperparameters on mass spectrometry imaging models W. Gardner, D.A. Winkler, D.L.J. Alexander, D. Ballabio, B.W. Muir, P.J. Pigram Journal of Vacuum Science and Technology A 2023, 41, 063204

106. Classification-based machine learning approaches to predict the taste of molecules: A review C. Rojas, D. Ballabio, V. Consonni, D. Suárez-Estrella, R. Todeschini

105. Characterization of pyrite weathering products by Raman hyperspectral imaging and chemometrics techniques E. Cruz Muñoz, F. Gosetti, D. Ballabio, S. Andò, O. Gómez-Laserna, J.M. Amigo, E. Garzanti, E. Microchemical Journal 2023, 190, 108655

104. Exploring the relationship between polymer surface chemistry and bacterial attachment using ToF-SIMS and selforganizing maps

S.Y. Wong, A.L. Hook, W. Gardner, C.Y. Chang, Y. Mei, M.C. Davies, P. Williams, M.R. Alexander, D. Ballabio, B.W. Muir, D.A. Winkler, P.J. Pigram

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ORAL PRESENTATIONS AT CONGRESSES

Oral presentation and lectures:

- 35. Multitask modelling for QSAR and analytical applications
- D. Ballabio
- 9th Iranian Chemical Society Biennial Chemometrics Seminar, 18-19 October 2023, Qazvin (Iran), invited lecture
- 34. Univariate vs Multivariate for Clustering and Classification
- D. Ballabio
- Clustering and Classification Workshop, 3-4 October 2022, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, invited lecture

33. Enhancing LC-MS/MS spectral searching with multi-task neural networks and molecular fingerprints

D. Ballabio, V. Consonni, F. Gosetti, V. Termopoli, R. Todeschini

18th Chemometrics in Analytical Chemistry Conference, 29 August – 1 September 2022, Rome (Italy)

32. Tailoring supervised classification to data: an overview

D. Ballabio

Second Chemometric Symposium of Iranian Chemical Society, 11 – 12 May 2022, Tabriz (Iran), held on line, invited lecture

31. High-Level Data Fusion to classify chemical data from multiple analytical sources

D. Ballabio

XI Argentine Conference of Analytical Chemistry, 30 November - 3 December 2021, Corrientes (Argentina) held on line, invited lecture

30. Quantitative Structure Activity Relationships (QSARs): introduction and applications

D. Ballabio

Application of Artificial Intelligence to nuclear forensics, 17 - 18 November 2021 (on line), invited lecture

29. Consensus prediction of Androgen receptor activity within the CoMPARA project

D. Ballabio, C. Valsecchi, F. Grisoni, V. Consonni, K. Mansouri, R. Todeschini

IX Colloquium Chemiometricum Mediterraneum, 12 -14 June 2019, Menorca (Spain)

28. Multivariate classification of chianti red wines based on massive sampling and ICP-MS element composition

D. Ballabio, B. Bronzi, C. Brilli, G.M. Beone, M.C. Fontanella, R. Todeschini, V. Consonni

XXVII Congresso della Divisione di Chimica Analitica della Società Chimica Italiana (SCI), Bologna (Italy), 16 -20 September 2018

27. QSAR models to predict properties of dyes for regulatory use

D. Ballabio, V. Consonni, A. Mauri, V. Alberti, M. Locatelli, R. Todeschini

QSAR 2018, 11-15 June 2018, Bled (Slovenia)

26. High-level data fusion: perspectives in QSAR and analytical applications

IX Colloquium Chemiometricum Mediterraneum, 27-30 June 2017, Arles (France), invited lecture

25. Data integration to increase quality and reliability of QSAR predictions

SETAC Europe 27th Annual Meeting, 7-11 May 2017, Bruxelles (Belgium)

24. Development of QSAR models to predict environmental and toxicological properties of chemicals Symposium on QSAR modelling,9 March 2017, Copenhagen, (Denmark), invited lecture

23. PCA toolbox for MATLAB

Italian Chemometric workshop, 15-17 February 2017, Vietri sul mare (Italy)

22. High-level fusion methods to classify samples associated to multiple analytical sources

XVI Chemometrics in Analytical Chemistry (CAC 2016), Barcelona (Spain), 6-10 June 2016

21. Recent advances in consensus modelling of multiple analytical chemical data

XXV Congresso della Divisione di Chimica Analitica della Società Chimica Italiana (SCI), Trieste (Italy), 13-17 September 2015

20. A novel unsupervised method for reducing the dimensionality of large QSAR datasets

16th International Workshop on Quantitative Structure-Activity Relationships in Environmental and Health Sciences (QSAR2014), Milan (Italy), 16-20 June 2014

19. Multivariate analysis applied to bioprocesses

V International Congress of Industrial Microbiology, Bogotà (Colombia), 8-10 May 2013

18. How to build a predictive QSAR model ECO summer school, Verona (Italy), 11 June 2012

17. Kohonen and CP-ANN toolbox for MATLAB Italian Chemometric workshop, Albano laziale, Roma (Italy), 26-28 May 2011

16. Optimisation of neural network architectures by means of genetic algorithms
XII Convegno della Divisione di Chimica Analitica della Società Chimica Italiana, Como (Italy), 13-16 September 2010

15. Optimisation of Counter-Propagation Artificial Neural Networks by means of genetic algorithms VII Colloquium Chemiometricum Mediterraneum, Granada (Spain), 21-24 June 2010

14. Principal component analysis (PCA), theory and examples Introductive course on multivariate analysis and quantitative structure - activity relationships (QSAR), Milan (Italy), 19 May 2009

13. Kohonen Maps and Counterpropagation Artificial Neural Networks Toolbox for MATLAB 8th Iranian Workshop on Chemometrics, Zanjan (Iran), 7-9 February 2009, invited speaker

12. MOLMAP: chemometric strategy based on Kohonen Maps 8th Iranian Workshop on Chemometrics, Zanjan (Iran), 7-9 February 2009, invited speaker

11. Introduction to the application of multivariate analysis in food science III Jornadas de Cienca y Tecnologia, Univesidad del Azuay, Cuenca (Ecuador), 12 November 2008

10. Multivariate analysis applied to food science Segundo Congreso Ecuatoriano de Ingenieria en Alimentos, Loja (Ecuador), 5-7 November 2008, invited speaker

9. Chemometric application for the quality monitoring of rheological profiles: case study Italian Chemometric workshop, Pisa (Italy), 14-15 May 2008

8. Statistic tools for PQR (Product Quality Review)
Product Quality Review, Milan (Italy), 4 March 2008

7. Moderne tecniche di analisi multivariata applicate ai processi alimentari - Multivariate Analysis and food processes (PAT)

Metodi Analitici Rapidi per il Settore Agro Alimentare, Milan (Italy), 2 October 2007

6. Classification of multiway data based on the MOLMAP approach VI Colloquium Chemiometricum Mediterraneum, Saint-Maximin (France), 5-7 September 2007

5. Selection and characterisation of electronic nose sensors by means of Hasse distances Italian Chemometric workshop, Modena (Italy), 15-16 February 2007

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3. Chemometrics for the authentication and characterization of food products
11th Workshop on the Developments in the Italian PhD Research on Food Science and Technology, Teramo (Italy), 2729 September, 2006

2. Introduction to Chemometrics. Tools for multivariate analysis of chemical data Joint PAT Workshop, Pomezia (Italy), 6 April 2006

1. 3-way chemometric application on sensory data: the chilli flavoured meat balls experience Italian Chemometric workshop, Varenna (Italy), 26-27 May 2005