

Curriculum vitae

PERSONAL INFORMATION



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Sex Male | Date of birth 07/01/1972 | Nationality Italian

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

1998–2001

PhD in Physics

EQF level 8

University of Bologna, Bologna (Italy)

Thesis title: Hybrid systems of HMMs and Neural Networks for protein structure prediction.

1991–1997

Master Degree in Physics

EQF level 7

University of Bologna, Bologna (Italy)

Thesis title: Prediction of Foldons in proteins

WORK EXPERIENCE

31/03/2017–Present

Licensed for Full Professorship in Biochemistry (BIO/10) from the ASN national committee

23/05/2016–Present

Director of the International 2-year Master (Laurea Magistrale Internazionale) in Bioinformatics

EQF level 7

University of Bologna (Italy)

01/02/2015–Present

Associate Professor in Biochemistry (BIO/10)

University of Bologna (Italy)

Research activity in Computational Biology and Bioinformatics at the Biocomputing Group of the University of Bologna.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Institutional appointments

ELIXIR-IIB

Italian Node of the ELIXIR European Infrastructure for Life Science Information

- Since 2017: National contact person for the "Interoperability" Platform
- April 2018-January 2019: Local technical coordinator for the University of Bologna node

SIB

Italian Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

- Since 2015: Elected coordinator of the group "Computational and Systems Biology" .

UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA

- Since 2018: Member of the Third-Mission commission (in representation of the Biological area).
- Since 2018: Member of the Research commission of the Department FaBiT.
- 2014-2017: Member of the panel "Biological sciences" of the Commission for the evaluation of the

research activity (VRA).

- 2014-2017: Member of the Research commission of the Department BiGeA.

Previous experiences

- 01/10/2006–31/01/2015: Assistant professor in Biochemistry (BIO/10) University of Bologna, Bologna (Italy)
- 01/10/2005–30/09/2006: Contract Researcher (Young Researcher contract) for the FIRB2003 Project “LIBI: International Laboratory of Bioinformatics”. University of Bologna, Bologna (Italy)
- 01/08/2003–31/07/2006: Contract Researcher (Assegno di Ricerca) for the FIRB2001 Project “Bioinformatics for Genomics and Proteomics”, University of Bologna, Bologna (Italy)
- 02/05/2002–30/04/2006: Fellow Researcher. Fellowship from the CNR Target Project on Molecular Genetics National Council for Research (CNR), Roma (Italy)
- 01/03/2001–28/02/2002: Fellow Researcher INBB Consortium- Istituto Nazionale di Biostrutture e Biosistemi, Roma (Italy)

Research Activity

Protein folding and theoretical molecular Biophysics

Since 1996, PLM has been involved in theoretical investigations on problems related to the protein folding by means of computational tools, mainly based on neural networks and genetic algorithms. In particular, the analysis of the predictive properties of feed-forward neural networks enabled the definition of an entropic criterion for selecting segments in alpha-helical structure that are likely to be the nucleation sites for the protein folding.

Development of tools for the prediction of protein structure and function

Since 1997 PLM is involved in the design and development of tools based on machine learning techniques for the prediction of structural and functional features of proteins, starting from their residue sequences. In particular, PLM designed and implemented hybrid systems of neural networks (NN) and hidden Markov models (HMM) able also to elaborate the information contained in sequence profiles out of multiple sequence alignments. These tools have been adopted for developing predictors for -) the topology of membrane proteins, both with alpha-helical and beta-barrel structures; -) the bonding state of cysteine residues in proteins; -) the presence and localization of GPI-anchors; -) the presence and localization of target peptides and signal peptides.

He contributed to the development of the Bologna Annotation Resource (BAR)

Prediction of the relationship between SNPs and diseases

PLM collaborated in the implementation of SNPs&GO, a tool based on SVM for predicting whether a residue mutation is conducive to human disease. For the first time, this tool exploits the information contained in functional annotations encoded with the Gene Ontology terms. Several independent evaluations assessed that SNPs&GO is one of the best performing tools, among those available for the specific task at hand.

Prediction of the subcellular localization of eukaryotic proteins

PLM collaborated in the implementation of BaCeLo, a decision tree of support vector machines (SVM) able to discriminate up to four different localizations in animals and fungi and up to five localizations in plants. BaCeLo represents the state of the art in the prediction of subcellular localization of eukaryotic proteins.

NGS data analysis in a Systems Biology context

PLM participated in different projects involving the analysis of NGS data on DNA and RNA of different species (human, *Triticum aestivum*, pig). In particular, he applied his expertise in structural and functional annotation of gene products and in characterization of the effect of variations.

He also participated to the development of NET-GE, a tool for functional enrichment, useful to target pathways shared by groups of genes (carrying variations or differentially expressed)

Protein modeling and investigations on the structure-function relationship

PLM studies the structure-function relationship using tools for protein modelling, molecular dynamics simulations, and molecular docking. In collaboration with experimental groups PLM achieved the following results: -) the computation of the three-dimensional models of proteins from thermophilic

organisms, in order to elucidate the features conducive to thermostability; -) the modelling and dynamic simulations of enzymes immobilized in membranes in bioreactors, in order to study the effects of immobilization on the structural stability; -) the simulation of the destabilizing effect of the double mutation at positions 7 and 14 on the sperm whale myoglobin; -) the simulation of the mobility of tryptophan residues in the beta-galactosidase from *Sulfolobus solfataricus* and the correlation with its fluorescence emission properties; -) the discovery and characterization of a fusogenic peptide in the glycoprotein H of *Herpes simplex* virus; -) the modelling of the C-terminal segment of the subunit B of the glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase from *Spinacea olearia*; this peptide is particularly important for the regulation of the enzyme in relation to dark/light metabolisms.

Teaching activities

- 2006-current: Teaching activity at the International Master Degree in Bioinformatics of the University of Bologna (courses: Bio-medical databases, Elements of Computational Biology, Models of Biological Systems, Systems and In Silico Biology, Laboratory of Bioinformatics, Programming for Bioinformatics)
- June 2013: Lectures on "NGS Data Analysis" at the training school of PON project "Applicazione di biotecnologie molecolari e microrganismi protocologici per la caratterizzazione e valorizzazione delle filiere lattiero-casearia e prodotti da forno di produzioni tipiche." (S. Margherita al Belice, AG)
- October 2012: Lectures on "Programming in Perl for NGS data analysis". RGB NET (Cost Action) Training School on "Rabbit and Pig Genome analysis" (Norwich, UK)
- January 2012: Special course in "Basic and Advanced Bioinformatics" at Sultan Qaboos University (Muscat, Oman)
- Academic Years 2004-2008: Special Course on "Probabilistic models for biological sequences" at Complutense University in Madrid (Spain), Master in Bioinformatics.
- Academic Years 2002-2006: Course on "Fisica Computazionale Applicata alle Macromolecole" at University of Trento, Degree in Biomedical Physics and Technology
- April 2006: Assistant to the course "Pills of Bioinformatics". Universidad Tecnica Particular de Loja (Ecuador)
- April 2003: Special Course on "HMMs, Basics and applications to molecular biology" at Bioinformatics Group of Sanofi-Synthélabo (Labège, Toulouse, Francia)
- Academic Year 2000-2001: Course module "Modellistica Molecolare" at University of Ferrara, Degree in Biology.

Editorial activity

Since 2017: member of the Editorial Board of "Computation"
Since 2019: Associate Editor of "BMC Bioinformatics"

Reviewer for many Journals, among which: Bioinformatics, PLoS Computational Biology, PLoS One, Nucleic Acids Research, Journal of Molecular Biology, Human Mutation, BMC Bioinformatics, BMC Genomics, BMC Systems Biology, Amino acids, Proteins, BioSystems, Journal of Genetics

Present and Past Collaborations

- University of Copenhagen (Denmark): Prof. Anders Krogh
- BIOSAPIENS EU Consortium
- Sabanci University and Acibadem University (Turkey): Prof. Ugur Sezerman
- CAS-MPG Partner Institute for Computational Biology in Shanghai (China): Dr. Christine Nardini
- CHIRON Vaccines SpA: Dr. Giulio Ratti
- CNR Institute for Protein Biochemistry and Enzymology in Naples: Prof. Mosè Rossi
- CNR Institute for Biomembranes and Bioenergetics in Bari: Prof. Graziano Pesole
- Università di Padova: Prof. Piero Fariselli
- Second University of Napoli: Prof. Gustavo Damiano Mita, Prof. Gaetano Irace
- University of Milano-Bicocca: Prof. Paolo Tortora
- University of Rome "La Sapienza": Prof. Anna Tramontano
- University of Ferrara: Prof. Carlo Bergamini

- Quilmes University (Argentina): prof. Gustavo Parisi

Honours and awards

The paper: **Martelli PL, Fariselli P, Krogh A and Casadio R (2002) A sequence-profile-based HMM for predicting and discriminating beta barrel membrane proteins- Bioinformatics 18: S46-S53** presented at the 10th International Conference on "Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology" (ISMB02), Edmonton Canada, 3-7/8/2002 won the SGI best paper award

Main Grants and Projects

- Since Nov 2018: Coordinator of a WP of the H2020 project "CIRCLES: Controlling mlcRobomes CircuLations for bEtter food Systems".
- 2018-2021: Responsible of the PhD project "Metodi innovativi per l'analisi di Big Data Omici" funded by the Emilia-Romagna Region (POR FSE 2014-20)
- 2011-2015: coordinator of the Bologna University Unit for the PRIN Project "Integration of experimental and computational approaches for the study of human pathologies".

Organization activities

- Workshop of the Group "Computational and Systems Biology", Italian Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology: Bologna, Italy- 9 July 2019. Chair
- Short course on "Protein-protein interaction", Groups "Proteine" and "Computational and Systems Biology", Italian Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology: Bologna, Italy- 8 July 2019. Chair
- FEBS Workshop 2018 - The molecular basis of diseases: Can we infer phenotypes from protein variant analysis? Bologna 23-25 May 2018- Co-chair
- Bologna Winter Schools in Bioinformatics: from 1999 to 2018 (19 editions: <http://biocomp.unibo.it/bws.html>). Organizing committee-
- Workshop of the Group "Computational and Systems Biology", Italian Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology: Accademia delle Scienze, Bologna, Italy- 28 June 2017. Chair
- Workshop (Italian Society of Biochemistry-Group of Computational and Systems Biology/SYSBIO): "Dalle molecole alle funzioni biologiche complesse: Il metodo computazionale". Accademia delle Scienze, Bologna, Italy- 12 July 2016. Chair
- Proteine 2016 Congress. Dissecting Biological Complexity at the Molecular Level. Bologna, Italy- 30 March - 1 April 2016. Organizing Committee

Bibliometry

SCOPUS (July 2019):

Documents: 115, Total number of citations: 3084, h-index: 31

Publications

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- Voskanian A, Katsonis P, Lichtarge O, Pejaver V, Radivojac P, Mooney SD, Capriotti E, Bromberg Y, Wang Y, Miller M, Martelli PL, Savojardo C, Babbi G, Casadio R, Cao Y, Sun Y, Shen Y, Garg A, Pal D, Yu Y, Huff CD, Tavtigian SV, Young E, Neuhausen SL, Ziv E, Pal LR, Andreoletti G, Brenner S, Kann MG. Assessing the performance of in-silico methods for predicting the pathogenicity of variants in the gene CHEK2, among Hispanic females with breast cancer (2019) Human Mutation. In press
- Savojardo C, Bruciaferri N, Tartari G, Martelli PL*, Casadio R. DeepMito: accurate prediction of protein submitochondrial localization using convolutional neural networks (2019) Bioinformatics. In press
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 - Savojardo C, Babbi G, Bovo S, Capriotti E, Martelli PL*, Casadio R. Are machine learning based methods suited to address complex biological problems? Lessons from CAGI-5 challenges (2019) Human Mutation. In press
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