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Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum



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Biosketch

I am a structural geologist with a strong background in detailed and autonomous fieldwork combined with multidisciplinary and multiscale analytical techniques such as optic and electronic microscopy, low-temperature thermochronology, thermal maturity analyses of sedimentary rocks, geothermobarometry and thermal modelling of wells data. I applied such combination of fieldwork and labwork to the study of tectonically complex areas, either in deeply structured orogenic belts, in structurally inverted sedimentary basins, and in belt-basin junction systems. Through countless hours of samples processing and analysis I have gained a great experience in the lab, acquiring sensibility and learning how to carefully manage it. At present, I am performing a detailed structural survey along the Northern Pedepenninic margin in order to characterize active and capable faults and hence evaluate the seismic risk associated to them, in cooperation with Regione Emilia-Romagna.

Current positions

01/03/2022 - Present **Research associate** at the Department of Biological, Geological and Environmental Sciences (BiGeA), Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna (UniBo). Piazza di Porta San Donato, 1 40126 Bologna (BO), Italy. Supervisors: Prof. Giulio Viola, Prof. Gianluca Vignaroli. Project title: "Local seismic risk associated to active and capable faults along the Emilian Padan-Apenninic margin".

Education

- 01/11/2018 - 17/06/2022 **Ph.D. in Earth Sciences** (Stratigraphy and Basin Analysis, GEO/02). XXXIV Cycle, Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna. Thesis defended on June 17th 2022, final mark: Excellent *cum Laude*. Title: “*Subsidence history, thermal maturity, and structural inversion of the Greater Caucasus-Kura-Adjara-Trialeti basin system of central-eastern Georgia*”. Supervisor: Prof. William Cavazza (UniBo); co-supervisors: Prof. Massimiliano Zattin (Univ. Padua), Prof. Sveva Corrado (Univ. Roma Tre), Dr. Andrea Schito (Univ. Aberdeen).
- 01/10/2015 - 24/04/2018 **M.Sc. in Earth Sciences** (LM-74 class) at the “A. Desio” Department of Earth Sciences, University of Milan. Title: “*Multiscale Structural Analysis of the Riffelberg-Garten Unit in the Upper Valtournenche, Zermatt-Saas, Western Alps*”. Supervisor: Prof. Maria Iole Spalla (UniMi); co-supervisor: Dr. Davide Zanoni (UniMi). Final mark: 110/110 *cum laude*.
- 20/09/2012 - 14/10/2015 **B.Sc. in Geological Sciences** (L-34 class) at the “A. Desio” Department of Earth Sciences, University of Milan. Title: “*Meso- and Microstructural analysis of the contact zone between the Piemonte Nappe and the Sesia-Lanzo Zone (Lanzo Valley, Western Alps)*”. Supervisor: Prof. Maria Iole Spalla (UniMi); co-supervisors: Prof. Michele Zucali (UniMi) and Dr. Davide Zanoni (UniMi). Final mark: 110/110 *cum laude*.
- 10/09/2007 - 07/07/2012 High School degree at Liceo Scientifico “G. Galilei”, Erba (CO, Italy). Thesis title: “*The Grigne geology*”. Final mark 96/100.

Work experience

- 01/04/2021 - 30/06/2022 **Tutor** for the Geological Sciences section of Piano Lauree Scientifiche project at BiGeA Department Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna (UniBo). Referee: Prof. Roberto Braga.
- 21/02/2022 - 12/05/2022 **Didactic tutor** for laboratory exercises within the Mineralogy course, held by Prof. Giorgio Gasparotto. B.Sc. in Geological Sciences at BiGeA Department Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna (tot 24h).
- 01/04/2018 - 31/08/2018 **Research Assistant** at the “A. Desio” Department of Earth Sciences, University of Milan. Project devoted to the structuring of the dataset acquired during the master’s degree thesis. One of the outputs was a geological map at the 1:10.000 scale of the Breuil

Dell. Such map was presented as a poster at the SGI – SIMP Congress in Catania (12-14 September 2018).

25/04/2018 - 31/10/2018 **Teacher** at ABC Study (Chiasso, Switzerland). I helped secondary and high school students in their studies, home delivery in the Ticino region of Switzerland.

01/10/2017 - 31/03/2018 **Tutor** for the PLS project at the “A. Desio” Department of Earth Sciences, University of Milan (tot 150h). I offered didactic support activities during the practical lessons of the first year’s courses of the B.Sc. in Geological Sciences. Furthermore, I organised study activities in the afternoon, in preparation to the exams, which were also devoted to contrast the abandonment of students between the first and second year of the B.Sc.

01/06/2017 - 25/08/2017 **Trainee** at Schlumberger Italiana S.p.A., Lambrate (MI), Italy (tot 150h). I did the interpretation of a 2D array of seismic sections in the Danish Central Graben (North Sea), creating a 3D model of a salt diapir and of the surrounding deformed and faulted sedimentary successions. Referee: Ivan Guerra.

01/02/2015 - 20/06/2015 **Trainee** at “Studio Geologico Paolo Dal Negro” (tot 150h), Villaguardia (CO), Italy. I took part in a number of studies, including assistance in geognostic and penetrometric studies, fieldwork, topographic and GPS surveys, GPR surveys, excavations for foundation building.

10/06/2011 - 31/07/2011 **Trainee** at Lechler S.p.A., Como (CO), Italia. I worked as assistant at the Foreign Customer Service, keeping telephonic and telematic contacts with worldwide clients, both in English and French languages.

Teaching and Dissemination

30/05/2022 **Invited Talk** for the students of the “Structural Geology and Tectonics” course of the B.Sc. in Geological Sciences at the University of Milan “La Statale”, held by Prof. Maria Iole Spalla and Dr. Manuel Roda (30th May 2022, 2h).

16/05/2022 **Invited Talk** for the students of the “Geology” course of the M.Sc. in Earth Sciences at the University of Milan “La Statale”, held by Proff. Michele Zucali and Fabrizio Felletti (16th May 2022, 2h).

March-April 2022 Support and assistance during two daily didactic fieldtrips in the Northern Apennines, focused on the Epiligurian Units (18th March, near Veggio, BO) and on the condensed upper Tuscan Succession (8th April, near Monsummano Terme, PT), within the “Geologic

- Fieldwork” course (B.Sc.), held by Prof. Gianluca Vignaroli at Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna.
- Nov 2018 - Jun 2022 Support and assistance during the exams of the courses “Geology of Italy” (B.Sc.) and “Basin Analysis” (M.Sc.), held by Prof. William Cavazza at Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna.
- 04/02/2022 **Invited Lesson** titled “Topography and online platforms consulting” for the attendees of the Base Skitouring course 2022 at the National School of Skitouring “P. Gilardoni” of Como (CO, Italy) (1h).
- 07/12/2021 **Invited Talk** for the students of the “Basin Analysis” course of the M.Sc. in Geological Sciences at the University of Pavia, held by Dr. Chiara Amadori (7th December 2021, 1h).
- 13/11/2021 **Invited Lesson** titled “Geology e Glaciology” for CAI instructors attending the courses for Regional Instructors of Mountaineering and of Free Climbing, Bergamo (BG, Italy) (2h).
- Nov 2018 - Oct 2021 Support and assistance during the didactic fieldtrips (Calabria, 1-4 November 2018; Liguria, 1-3 November 2019; Piacenza-Parma-Reggio Emilia Epiligurian Units, 22-23 October 2021) within the “Basin Analysis” course (M.Sc.), held by Prof. William Cavazza at Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna.
- Nov 2020 Virtual field-trip and teaching (6h) within the course of “Basin Analysis” (M.Sc.), held by Prof. William Cavazza at Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna, regarding the case study of the Adjara-Trialeti Basin structural inversion (Georgia, Caucasus).
- Nov 2019 Teaching of didactic module “Basins linked to flexural subsidence” (6h) within the “Basin Analysis” course (M.Sc.), held by Prof. William Cavazza at Alma Mater Studiorum University of Bologna.

Awards and Bursaries

- 2022 Early Career Scientist’s Travel Support grant to attend the European Geosciences Union General Assembly (EGU GA), Vienna (Austria), 23-28 May 2022.
- 2012 Study grant (500€) for study merit from Lechler S.p.A. (Como, Italy), after passing the maturity exam with a mark higher than 90/100.
- 2011 Study grant (250€) for study merit from Lechler S.p.A. (Como, Italy), after passing the fourth year of high school with an average mark higher than 8/10.

- 2010 Study grant (250€) for study merit from Lechler S.p.A. (Como, Italy), after passing the third year of high school with an average mark higher than 8/10.
- 2009 Study grant (250€) for study merit from Lechler S.p.A. (Como, Italy), after passing the second year of high school with an average mark higher than 8/10.
- 2008 Study grant (250€) for study merit from Lechler S.p.A. (Como, Italy), after passing the first year of high school with an average mark higher than 8/10.

Publications

- 2022 **Gusmeo T.**, Schito A., Corrado S., Alania V., Enukidze O., Zattin M., Pace P., Cavazza W., 2022. *Tectono-thermal evolution of central Transcaucasia: Thermal modelling, seismic interpretation, and low-temperature thermochronology of the eastern Adjara-Trialeti and western Kura sedimentary basins (Georgia)*. *Journal of Asian Earth Sciences* 237
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jseaes.2022.105355>
- 2021 **Gusmeo T.**, Cavazza W., Alania V., Enukidze O., Zattin M., Corrado S., 2021. *Structural inversion of back-arc basins – The Neogene Adjara-Trialeti fold-and-thrust belt (SW Georgia) as a far-field effect of the Arabia-Eurasia collision*. *Tectonophysics* 803
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tecto.2020.228702>
- 2021 Corrado S., **Gusmeo T.**, Schito A., Alania V., Enukidze O., Conventi E., Cavazza W., 2021. *Validating intraplate deformation styles from the Adjara-Trialeti fold-and-thrust belt to the Greater Caucasus (Georgia) through multi-proxy thermal maturity datasets*. *Marine and Petroleum Geology* 130
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.marpetgeo.2021.105141>
- 2021 Alania V., Pace P., Corrado S., **Gusmeo T.**, Beridze T., Sadradze N., Tevzadze, N., 2021. *Preliminary structural interpretation of a seismic profile across the frontal sector of the eastern Achara-Trialeti fold-and-thrust belt*. *Bulletin of the Georgian National Academy of Sciences* 15, 4, pp. 74-79

Conferences Abstracts and Communications

- 2022 **Gusmeo T.**, Schito A., Cavazza W., Corrado S., Zattin M., Alania V., Enukidze O., and Pace P.: *Contrasting subsidence-exhumation patterns in the hinterland of the Africa-Eurasia collision zone: the eastern Adjara-Trialeti, western Kura and central Greater Caucasus inverted sedimentary basins (Georgia)*. 91° SGI-SIMP (Italian Geological Society and Italian Society of Mineralogy and Petrography) joint Congress “Geosciences for a sustainable future”, Torino (IT), 19-21 Sep 2022. Oral. <https://doi.org/10.3301/ABSGI.2022.02>
- 2022 Cavazza W., **Gusmeo T.**, Zattin M., Corrado S., Alania V., Enukidze O., Schito A., and Pace P.: *The Adjara-Trialeti fold-and-thrust belt (Georgia): Neogene structural inversion of a Paleogene back-arc basin in the hinterland of the Arabia-Eurasia collision zone*. AAPG Europe Geoscience Workshop, Trabzon (TR), 6-7 September 2022. Oral.
- 2022 **Gusmeo T.**, Cavazza W., Zattin M., Corrado S., Schito A., Alania V., and Enukidze O.: *Burial and exhumation history of the Georgian sector of the central Greater Caucasus*. EGU General Assembly 2022, Vienna (AT), 23-27 Apr 2022, EGU22-110. <https://doi.org/10.5194/egusphere-egu22-110>. Oral.
- 2021 **Gusmeo T.**, Cavazza W., Alania V., Enukidze O., Zattin M., Corrado S., and Schito A.: *Miocene structural inversion of the Paleogene Adjara-Trialeti back-arc basin (SW Georgia, Caucasus) in the context of the Arabia-Eurasia collision zone*. AGU Fall Meeting 2021, New Orleans (LA) and Online Everywhere, 13-17 December 2021. Oral.
- 2021 **Gusmeo, T.**, Cavazza, W., Alania, V., Enukidze, O., Zattin, M., and Corrado, S.: *Miocene structural inversion of the Adjara-Trialeti back-arc basin as a far-field effect of the Arabia-Eurasia collision*. EGU General Assembly 2021, online, 19–30 Apr 2021, EGU21-179, <https://doi.org/10.5194/egusphere-egu21-179>, 2020. Oral.
- 2021 **Gusmeo T.**, Corrado S., Schito A., Alania V., Enukidze O., Conventi E., and Cavazza W.: *Using multi-proxy thermal maturity datasets to validate deformation styles from the Adjara-Trialeti fold-and-thrust belt to the Greater Caucasus (Georgia)*. BeGeoscientists 2021 “A Young Network”, 1° young geoscientists Congress,

- Naples, 7-10 October 2021.
<https://doi.org/10.3301/ABSGI.2021.04>. *Oral*.
- 2021 **Gusmeo T.**, Corrado S., Schito A., Alania V., Enekidze O., Conventi E., and Cavazza W.: *Using multi-proxy thermal maturity datasets to validate deformation styles from the Adjara-Trialeti fold-and-thrust belt to the Greater Caucasus (Georgia)*, SGI Congress 2021 “Geology Without Borders”, online, 14-16 September 2021. <https://doi.org/10.3301/ABSGI.2021.03>. *Oral*.
- 2018 **Gusmeo T.**, Spalla M. I., Tartarotti P., Zanoni D., Gosso G., 2018. *Structural-geological survey of an eclogitized chaotic complex: the Riffelberg-Garten Unit in the Breuil dell (Zermatt-Saas Zone, Italian Western Alps)*. SGI-SIMP Congress, Catania 12-14.09.2018. *Poster*.
- 2018 Spalla M. I., Gosso G., **Gusmeo T.**, Rebay G., Roda M., Zanoni D., Zucali M., 2018. *Tectonic mixing of continental and oceanic crustal slices at the boundary of southern Sesia-Lanzo Zone: a reinterpretation of tectonic units in the Piemonte Zone*. Crustaman International Conference, Trest', Czech Republic 31/08 – 02/09/2018. *Oral*.

Organisation of International Conferences

- 2022 **Lead Convener** of the session TS10.2: “Tectono-thermal evolution of fossil and active sedimentary basins”, European Geosciences Union General Assembly 2022, Vienna (Austria). 23-27 May 2022.
- 2014 Helper for the organisation and logistics within the joint Congress SGI-SIMP 2014, Milan (MI), Italy. 12-14 September 2014.

Skills and Expertise

- Optic microscopy analysis of thin sections and polished grain mounts in transmitted light, and of single grains, including hand-picking, in reflected light.
- Electron microscopy analysis (>1000 spots and 10 maps for chemical analysis with the EPMA, >200 spots for chemical analysis with the SEM).
- Geothermobarometric analysis to reconstruct P-T-(d)t paths.
- Low-temperature thermochronology (AHe, AFT, ZHe, ZFT, trapped-charge).
- Geochronology on various minerals (Ar-Ar, K-Ar, U-Pb, U-Th, fluid inclusions).
- Multiscale, detailed geologic-structural fieldwork.
- Statistic structural analysis both in fragile and ductile settings.

- Thermal maturity analyses on organic matter (Pyrolysis, Vitrinite reflectance, Raman spectroscopy) and clay minerals (XRD, XRF, KI, I% in I-S mixed layers).
- 1D thermal modelling of wells data.
- Seismic sections interpretation.
- Softwares: ArcGIS, QGIS, Stereonet, FaultKin, Wintensor, TrackKey, Radial Plot, BinomFit, HeFTy, BasinMod 2D, Petrel E&P, SigmaPlot, Perplex, Illustrator, Office package, R, Autocad.

Languages

Italian Native language.

English Excellent written and oral skills. FIRST Certificate (Level B2) by Cambridge University.

French Good written and oral skills. DELF-B2 Certificate (Level B2) by Institute Français.

Professional Memberships

Italian Geological Society, Italian Group of Structural Geology, European Geosciences Union, American Geophysical Union.

Driving licences

A (car) and B (motorbike) licenses.

Other memberships and skills

2013 - Present Ski Touring instructor at Scuola Nazionale di Scialpinismo “P. Gilardoni” of Como (CO, Italy). Since January 2019 Regional Instructor of Ski Touring for Lombardia.

2015 - Present Alpinism and climbing instructor at Scuola di Alpinismo “Nosedà - Muschiàlli” of Como (CO, Italy).

2018 - Present Mountain Running athlete for team G.S.A. Cometa (Pusiano, CO, Italy). Good results gained in international skyrunning, trail running and vertical running races around the Alps and Apennines.

2020 - Present Ski Mountaineering athlete for team A.S. Premana (Premana, LC, Italy). Good results in international Ski Mountaineering races in the Alps and Apennines.

1993 – Present Member of CAI (Italian Alpine Federation).

2016 - 2020 Ski Mountaneering athlete for team A.S. Premana (Premana, LC, Italy). Good results in international Ski Mountaineering races in the Alps and Apennines.

2016-2018 Member of the Italian Delegation within the Erasmus + Project “Climbing for Everybody”, involving Italy, Croatia, Slovenia, Slovakia, Czech Republic and Hungary.

2011 - Present Blood donor at AVIS (Italian Association of Blood Donors).

2012 - Present Volunteer and member of the board of the charitable association “Il Poeta Sognatore Simone” of Lipomo (CO, Italy).

2012 - 2015 Theatre Actor.

2009 - 2010 Basketball Coach.

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