

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## FORMAZIONE UNIVERSITARIA

Settembre 1991 - aprile  
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## CARRIERA UNIVERSITARIA

1/03/2003 – OGGI

19/04/1996 –  
28/02/2003

### **Borsa post dottorato**

Dipartimento di Elettronica del Politecnico di Torino

**Dottorato di Ricerca** in Ingegneria Informatica e dei Sistemi  
Politecnico di Torino

### **Borsa di studio**

Dipartimento di Automatica e Informatica del Politecnico di  
Torino per il progetto finalizzato "Ottimizzazione diagnostica in  
epatologia: elaborazioni dati" della Regione Piemonte

**Laurea** in Scienze dell'Informazione

Università di Torino

### **Ricercatore confermato**

afferre al settore scientifico disciplinare ING-INF/06 –  
Bioingegneria elettronica e informatica

### **Ricercatore confermato**

afferre al settore scientifico disciplinare A04B – Ricerca  
operativa

## ATTIVITA' ORGANIZZATIVA

- Dall'anno accademico 2000/2001 attiva a livello organizzativo nella definizione dell'offerta formativa nei corsi di laurea e di laurea magistrale in Ingegneria Biomedica del Politecnico di Torino.
- Da ottobre 2018 Vice Coordinatore del Collegio di Ingegneria Biomedica (<https://didattica.polito.it/collegi/cl010/it>).
- Da gennaio 2019 a gennaio 2021 coordinatrice del Master in Telemedicina ([https://didattica.polito.it/master/telemedicina/2019/master\\_in\\_un\\_click](https://didattica.polito.it/master/telemedicina/2019/master_in_un_click)).

## ATTIVITA' DIDATTICA

L'attività didattica si riferisce ai seguenti settori:

- Progettazione di software medicali
- Strumenti di process modeling applicati ai processi clinici
- Metodi di ottimizzazione locale, meta euristiche
- Machine learning
- Artificial intelligence
- Teoria della decisione
- Telemedicina
- Applicazioni legate al supporto alla decisione nei processi di diagnosi, definizione della terapia, monitoraggio del paziente, miglioramento della qualità del processo di cura

## DOTTORATO

- Tutore di 7 dottorandi
- Didattica svolta per gli studenti di dottorato:

POLITECNICO di TORINO – Dottorato Ingegneria Biomedica e

Anno Accademico	Titolare dell'insegnamento
2012/2013	Intelligent systems for biomedical data interpretation
2011/2012	Intelligent systems for biomedical data interpretation
2010/2011	Intelligent systems for biomedical data interpretation

POLITECNICO di TORINO – Dottorato Bioingegneria e Scienze medico-chirurgiche

Anno Accademico	Titolare dell'insegnamento
2020/2021	Data mining for the analysis of clinical studies

## ATTIVITA' DI RICERCA

L'attività di ricerca consiste in:

- Utilizzo delle tecniche di process modeling per la definizione delle specifiche di software medicali, analisi di processi clinici, analisi e costruzione di PDTA
- Sviluppo di strumenti per l'aggregazione e/o l'interpretazione di dati, immagini e segnali biomedici con tecniche di machine learning e intelligenza artificiale
- Applicazione di tecniche di data mining a data set ottenuti attraverso studi clinici.
- Sviluppo di sistemi di supporto alla decisione clinica basati su conoscenza.

## INDICATORI RELATIVI A TUTTA LA PRODUZIONE SCIENTIFICA

Numero articoli	Numero, totale di citazioni	H-index	Fonte Banca dati
28	894	14	GOOGLE SCHOLAR
25	513	10	SCOPUS
20	293	7	WEB OF SCIENCE

## COLLABORAZIONI

Componente gruppo di ricerca Biolab del DET-Politecnico di Torino a partire dagli anni 90. A partire dall'inizio degli anni 2000 coordino il sottogruppo legato all'applicazione delle tecniche di intelligenza artificiale/machine learning e dei metodi di clinical process modeling.

Nell'ambito di queste attività sono state portate avanti le seguenti collaborazioni:

- University College Dublin, School of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, referente Prof. M. Lowery (dal 2020)
- Università di Modena-Reggio Emilia, Dipartimento di Scienze Biomediche, Metaboliche e Neuroscienze – Gruppo di Endocrinologia e Metabolismo, referente Prof. D. Santi (dal febbraio 2021)
- Università di Torino, DIPARTIMENTO: Dipartimento di Oncologia – Gruppo di Urologia, referente Prof. F. Porpiglia (dal febbraio 2020)
- Università di Torino - Dipartimento di Scienze Chirurgiche, ISTITUTO: IRCCS Candiolo – Dipartimento di Radiodiagnostica, referente Prof. D. Regge (da giugno 2015)
- Università di Torino, Dipartimento di Oncologia – Gruppo di Radioterapia, referente Prof. U. Ricardi (da giugno 2017)

- Università di Torino, Dipartimento di Scienze Chirurgiche – Gruppo di Anestesiologia, referente Dott. V. Fanelli (da maggio 2020)
- A.O.U. Città della Salute e della Scienza di Torino, Struttura Complessa di Ematologia Universitaria - Centro Emofilia Adulti, Centro di Riferimento Regionale per le Malattie Trombotiche ed Emorragiche dell'adulto, referente Dott.ssa Alessandra Borchiellini (da novembre 2017)
- A.O.U. Città della Salute e della Scienza di Torino, Struttura Complessa di Ematologia Universitaria, referente Prof. M. Boccadoro (da aprile 2010 a maggio 2018)
- Università di Genova, Dipartimento di Informatica, Bioingegneria, Robotica e Ingegneria dei sistemi, referente Prof. M. Fato in collaborazione con la radiologia dell'ospedale Gaslini (da ottobre 2016 a settembre 2019)

**ASSOCIAZIONI  
SCIENTIFICHE**

Componente Consiglio direttivo SIBIM (<https://www.sibim.it/>)  
da giugno 2020  
IEEE – EMBS, CIS, Computer, WIE  
AAMI

**PRIMA LINGUA**

**ITALIANO**

**ALTRE LINGUE**

**INGLESE**

- Capacità di lettura
- Capacità di scrittura
- Capacità di espressione orale

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Inoltre, il sottoscritto autorizza al trattamento dei dati personali, secondo quanto previsto dalla Legge 675/96 del 31 dicembre 1996.

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