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Education

Laurea in Physics, University of Bologna

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Research Experience

RNA-SEQ and NGS data analyst
Fondazione Edmund Mach
Analysis of High-Throughput biological data:
RNA-Seq Statistical Analysis.
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2013 - Present
San Michele all'Adige, Trento, Italy

Bioinformatician
CBM, Cluster in Biomedicine
Analysis of High-Throughput biological data:
Microarray and RNA-Seq Statistical Analysis.
Advisor: Remo Sanges, Ph.D.

2008 - 2013
Trieste, Italy

PhD course in Molecular Genetics
ICGEB, Protein Structure and Bioinformatics
Performance assessment and Benchmarking of protein structure
prediction algorithms.
Advisor: Sàndor Pongor, Ph.D., D.Sc.

2005 - 2008
Trieste, Italy

Bioinformatician, Microarray Analysis
CRO - Centro di Riferimento Oncologico
cDNA microarray statistical analysis.
Supervisor: Dr. Valter Gattei

2003 - 2005
Aviano, Italy

Abroad Research Experience

Marie Curie Fellowship at Dept. of Hematology
and Oncology, University Medical Center
Göttingen, Germany, University

July 2010 - August 2010

Teaching Experience

Instructor, METHADA 2020, Training school in
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Instructor, Statistics Applied to Biological Problems, ICGEB, Trieste	Summer 2011
Instructor, Bioinformatics II, Universit di Trieste	Spring 2011
Lecturer, Introduction to the Analysis of Microarray Data, SynBiosis, Brno	Summer 2010

Research and Professional Interests

Data mining and machine learning techniques applied at high-throughput data from biology.

Publications

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