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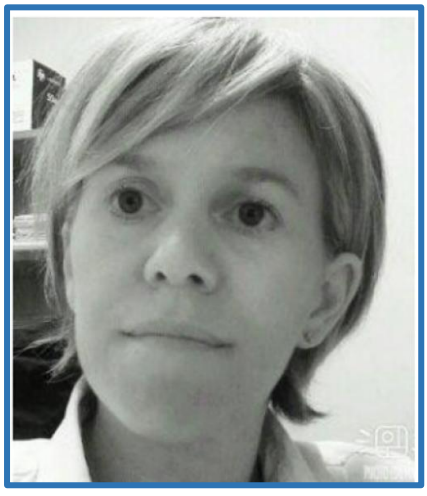
CONSIGLIO DIRETTIVO (9 membri)

Prof. Roberta Censi | Università di Camerino

Roberta Censi is Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Technology at the School of Pharmacy, University of Camerino, where she also serves as Delegate for the International Research and Coordinator of the PhD curriculum in Pharmaceutical, Nutraceutical and Food Sciences. After graduating with honors in Industrial Pharmacy, she obtained an international PhD in Pharmaceutical Sciences (joint degree between the University of Camerino and Utrecht University, NL). She is Principal Investigator of several national and European projects within the Horizon Europe, FISA, and FIS programs, securing more than €4 million in competitive funding. Awarded the L'Oréal-Unesco For Women in Science Fellowship and the Houwink Prize in the Netherlands, she contributes to technology transfer through patents and spin-offs. Her work bridges fundamental research and translational innovation in the field of advanced biomaterials, hydrogels, and nanosystems for controlled drug delivery. She is a board member of the Italian Society for Biomaterials (SIB), invited speaker at major international conferences including CRS 2025 in Philadelphia (invited keynote speaker), and has contributed to the organization of (inter)national conferences, including the 34th Annual Conference of the European Society for Biomaterials ESB 2025 in Turin.

Prof. Rossella Dorati | Università di Pavia



Rossella Dorati ha conseguito il Ph.D. in Chimica e Tecnologia Farmaceutiche presso l'Università di Pavia nel 2002 ed è attualmente Professore Associato di Tecnologia Farmaceutica (SSD CHIM/09) presso lo stesso Ateneo, dove ha iniziato la sua carriera accademica come Ricercatore nel 2010.

Ha svolto esperienze di ricerca internazionale presso il College of Pharmacy, University of Kentucky (USA) (2005–2006) e presso lo US Army Institute of Surgical Research, San Antonio, Texas (2015 -2017).

La sua attività scientifica si concentra sullo sviluppo di sistemi di drug delivery micro- e nanoparticellari a base di polimeri biodegradabili e biocompatibili per il rilascio di proteine, peptidi e siRNA. Negli ultimi anni si è dedicata in particolare a strategie di drug delivery localizzato per la riduzione delle cicatrici da ferita, partecipando a progetti finanziati finalizzati al trasferimento tecnologico dei risultati della ricerca verso il mercato. Collabora inoltre con l'Università di Milano nello sviluppo di dispositivi medici e DDS in un progetto di economia circolare, basato sull'utilizzo di materie prime derivate da scarti vegetali.

È autrice di 116 pubblicazioni su riviste internazionali peer-reviewed (3.709 citazioni, h-index 30 – Scopus, settembre 2025) e inventrice di quattro brevetti, due dei quali in fase di trasferimento tecnologico.

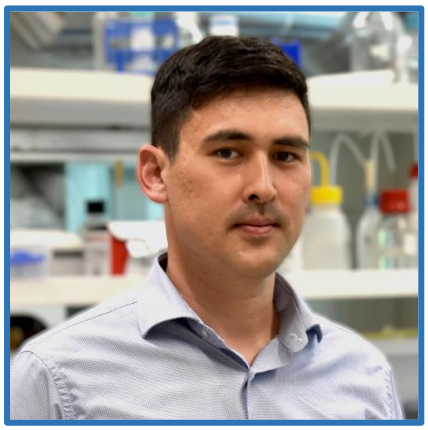
Prof. Calogero Fiorica | Università di Palermo

Calogero Fiorica si è laureato nel 2007 in Chimica e Tecnologia Farmaceutiche presso l'Università di Palermo, dove nel 2011 ha conseguito il Dottorato di Ricerca in "Tecnologie delle sostanze biologicamente attive". Nel 2008 ha svolto un periodo di formazione presso il Kroto Research Institute, University of Sheffield dove ha approfondito le proprie competenze nella caratterizzazione biologica di sistemi polimerici 3D per applicazione nella medicina rigenerativa.
Dal 2015 al 2022 è stato Ricercatore presso il Dipartimento di Scienze e Tecnologie Biologiche Chimiche e Farmaceutiche dell'Università di Palermo. Dal 2022 è Professore Associato nel Settore Scientifico Disciplinare CHEM-08/A presso lo stesso Dipartimento.
La sua attività di ricerca si concentra sulla produzione e caratterizzazione di biomateriali polimerici avanzati per applicazioni in medicina rigenerativa e rilascio controllato di farmaci. È autore di oltre 90 articoli scientifici su riviste internazionali, due brevetti e più di 40 comunicazioni a congressi.

Prof. Rosa Maria Iacobazzi | Università di Bari Aldo Moro

Rosa Maria Iacobazzi is Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Technology and Regulatory Affairs (SSD CHEM-08/A) at the Department of Pharmacy-Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Bari Aldo Moro. She graduated in Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Technology at the University of Bari and in 2017 obtained her PhD in "Technologies of Biologically Active Substances," SSD CHIM/09, from the University of Palermo. She then worked as a health researcher in the Nanotechnology and Experimental Pharmacology Lab at IRCCS Istituto Tumori Giovanni Paolo II in Bari, and in 2021 became RTD-b researcher at the Department of Pharmacy-Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Bari. Her research focuses on the design, development, and technological characterization of conventional and innovative pharmaceutical forms, with emphasis on nano drug and nucleic acid delivery systems, including biomimetic hybrid nanosystems, for cancer therapy and imaging. She is coauthor of 77 publications in peer-reviewed journals, h-index 25, 1866 citations (Scopus), 2 national/international patents, and numerous conference abstracts.

Dr. Thomas Lee Moore | Università di Napoli Federico II



Dr. Thomas Moore received his BSc in Bioengineering in 2009 from Clemson University (Clemson, USA) and continued for his PhD in the Nanomedicine laboratory of Prof. Frank Alexis. In 2014, he joined the group of Prof. Alke Fink at the Adolphe Merkle Institute (Fribourg, Switzerland) as a postdoctoral researcher. In 2018, he was awarded a fellowship to work with Prof. Paolo Decuzzi at the Istituto Italiano di Tecnologia (Genoa, Italy). Since December 2023, he has been Assistant Professor (RTD-B) in the Department of Pharmacy at the University of Naples Federico II (Naples, Italy).

Thomas has been an active member of the Controlled Release Society (CRS) since 2019. He has served on the CRS Young Scientist Committee (2022–2025), was an active member of the CRS Italia Young Scientist Communication team, and was trainee representative on the Board of Directors of the Bioinspired & Biomimetic Delivery Focus Group (2020–2022).

Prof. Silvia Pescina | Università di Parma

Silvia Pescina holds a PhD in Biopharmaceutics-Pharmacokinetics and is Associate Professor of Drug Delivery at the Department of Food and Drug, University of Parma. From 2012 to 2016 she was Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Parma. Research Fellow from 2016 to 2019 and Assistant Professor from 2019 to 2022 at the Department of Food and Drug, University of Parma.

From October 2019 she is Docent in Drug Delivery at University of Helsinki (Finland). She is currently Scientific and Technical Manager of Micro4Nano, an EU funded project within the H2020-MSCA-RISE and Supervisor of NanoRet and Renascent, two EU funded projects within the HORIZON-MSCA-PF. From 2023 she is counsellor of the CRS - Italy Chapter. From 2025 she is member of the Executive Commitee of the ULLA Consortium (European university consortium for pharmaceutical sciences).

Silvia Pescina is author/co-author of 60 papers published in international peer-reviewed journals.

Prof. Anna Maria Piras | Università di Pisa

Anna M. Piras is an Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Technology at the University of Pisa, since 2020. She graduated in Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Technology (2002) and, in 2006, received the European Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering Doctoral Award from the European Society for Biomaterials.
She currently serves as International Coordinator for the Area of Pharmacy at the University of Pisa, is a board member of the Marine Pharmacology Center in Pisa, a member of the National Interuniversity Consortium on Material Science & Technology, and of the Interuniversity Centre for 3R Principles.
Her research mainly focuses on the design and application of macromolecular complexes and polymeric nanostructures for drug delivery, with particular emphasis on pulmonary, oral, ocular, and injectable routes. Her work is supported by funding from public bodies (MUR, Tuscany Region, European grants) and Pharma/MedTech companies.
She is the co-author of 88 peer-reviewed journal articles, 5 book chapters, and 10 patents.

Prof. Stefano Salmaso | Università di Padova

Stefano Salmaso has been Full Professor of Pharmaceutical Technology at the University of Padova since 2017. He earned a Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Sciences from Padova in 2004 and completed training at the Universities of Paris-Sud XI and Strasbourg. He later served as an associate scientist at Northeastern University (Boston) and as assistant then associate professor at Padova. His work centers on “smart,” engineered nanocarriers for targeted delivery of small molecules and biologics. His research is funded by the University of Padova; the European Commission (FP7, ESF, MSCA/ITN, Next-Generation EU); Italian ministries (PRIN–MUR, Ministry of Economic Development); foundations (Cariparo, Cystic Fibrosis); and biopharma partners (MedImmune/AstraZeneca, GSK, Fidia, Nuova OMPI). He collaborates with 20+ international groups on therapeutic systems for cancer, ocular diseases, infections, and vaccination. He coordinates the Master’s degree in Pharmaceutical Biotechnology at Padova, serves on the editorial boards of the Journal of Controlled Release and Drug Delivery, and since 2023 has been President of the CRS Italy Chapter.

Prof. Barbara Stella | Università di Torino

Barbara Stella is an Associate Professor at the University of Turin. She graduated in Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Technology and obtained her Ph.D. through a co-tutored research project between Italy and France. After being awarded fellowships at the University of Turin and the University of Paris XI, she was appointed Assistant Professor at the University of Turin. Her research focuses primarily on: the development of lipid and polymer nanoparticles for the delivery of drugs against cancer and neuromuscular diseases; the functionalization of nanocarriers with targeting moieties able to specifically recognize antigens expressed on the target cell surface; the conjugation of drugs with proteins and polymers aimed at enhancing bioavailability and efficacy. From 2023 to 2025, she served as a member of the CRS Italy Chapter Executive Council. She is the author of around 80 papers in international journals, over 160 conference abstracts, and 4 patents in the field of drug delivery.

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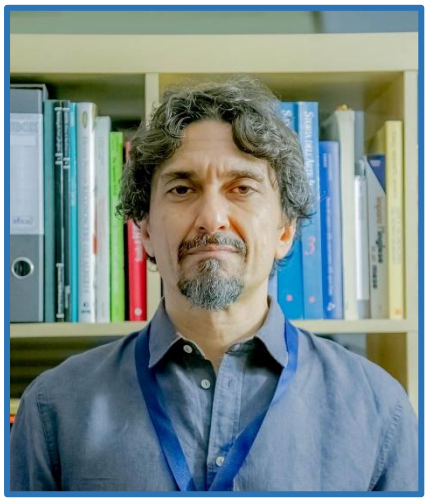
Prof. Roberta Cavalli | Università di Torino

Roberta Cavalli è Professore Ordinario di Tecnologia Farmaceutica, presso il Dipartimento di Scienza e Tecnologia del Farmaco - Università di Torino. È titolare dei seguenti corsi di insegnamento: Tecnologia, Socioeconomia e Legislazione Farmaceutiche; Formulazione e fabbricazione industriale di medicinali biotecnologici; Sviluppo di formulazioni topiche e dermatologiche; Advanced Drug Delivery Systems. È Presidente del Corso di Laurea Magistrale in Chimica e Tecnologia Farmaceutiche, Coordinatrice Dottorato in Scienze Farmaceutiche e Biomolecolari. Roberta Cavalli ha un'esperienza pluriennale nella progettazione e nello sviluppo di sistemi di veicolazione di farmaci basati sia su approcci convenzionali sia nanotecnologici, nonchè della loro caratterizzazione in vitro e in vivo e sui modelli animali, evidenziata da numerose pubblicazioni internazionali, comunicazioni a congressi e brevetti. Co-autore di oltre 270 pubblicazioni su riviste internazionali e co-inventore di oltre 30 brevetti. Numero di citazioni superiore a 13000, H index 67.

Prof. Ida Genta | Università di Pavia

Prof. Ida Genta is full professor of Pharmaceutical Technology (SSD CHEM-08/A) in the Department of Drug Sciences at the University of Pavia. She is the coordinator of the II level Master's degree in Pharmacy. Since 2015, Delegate Councillor of the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, and since 2023, Vice-President of the Interdepartmental Research Center on Advanced Materials and Devices (MADE).
Her main research line deals with tailored formulations of targeted smart nanocarriers (antibody-conjugated and/or specific biopolymers) for the tunable and selective delivery of synthetic drugs and macromolecules (i.e. proteins, RNAs, mDNAs) as well as diagnostics/contrast agents. Great expertise on developing GMP-oriented microfluidics-based techniques and apparatus for the manufacturing of lipidic and polymeric nanocarriers. She is deeply involved in designing and developing of 2D/3D scaffolds for tissue regeneration (bone, cartilage, soft tissues) by electrospinning and 3D printing technologies and combining biocompatible synthetic/natural polymers and/or small entities (i.e., peptides, newly synthetized peptides and peptidomimetics).

Prof. Stefano Giovagnoli | Università di Perugia



Stefano Giovagnoli è laureato in chimica presso Univ. Perugia. Dopo un periodo nel settore R&D presso GSK (Ware, UK), ha conseguito il dottorato in Chimica e Tecnologia del Farmaco presso Univ. Perugia spendendo un periodo di studio e ricerca presso Univ. Kentucky, Lexington (KE, USA), nei laboratori del Prof. Patrick P. DeLuca. Dopo un periodo di PostDoc presso la School of Pharmacy di Univ. Kentucky, ha assunto la posizione di ricercatore presso il Dipartimento di Scienze Farmaceutiche dell'Univ. Perugia dove è attualmente Professore Associato. I principali interessi di ricerca includono strategie per la veicolazione di proteine terapeutiche, polveri respirabili per il trattamento di patologie polmonari, nanoparticelle organiche e inorganiche per il rilascio mirato di farmaci. Il Prof. Giovagnoli serve come Editor e Board per diverse riviste internazionali. E' membro AAPS, AITUN, SCI, Italian CRS Chapter, ADRITELF, The Aerosol Society.

Prof. Angela Lopedota | Università di Bari Aldo Moro

Angela Assunta Lopedota is Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Technology and Regulatory Affairs at the University of Bari Aldo Moro.
Academic Experience
Contract Professor, University of Calabria (1998–2000)
Post-doctoral Fellow in Pharmaceutical Chemistry, University of Bari (2001–2002)
Researcher in Pharmaceutical Technology, University of Bari (since 2002)
Visiting Researcher, Goethe University, Frankfurt (six months 2003)
Associate Professor, University of Bari Aldo Moro (since 2015)
National Scientific Qualification as Full Professor (2023)
Research Achievements
120 publications in peer-reviewed journals, h-index 36, 3239 citations (Scopus Source), national and international patents, presentations at international and national conferences
Research Focus
Innovative formulations for age-related conditions, especially paediatric patients
Microparticles via prilling/vibration and spray drying for human, veterinary, and dietary supplement applications
Microfluidics and 3D printing for advanced and personalized medicine
Modified cyclodextrins for enhanced drug delivery
Teaching
Extensive experience in Pharmaceutical Technology (CHEM 08/A) at undergraduate and postgraduate levels, at the University of Bari Aldo Moro and the Catholic University "Our Lady of Good Counsel" (Tirana, Albania).

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Prof. Bice Conti | Università di Pavia

Full professor of Pharmaceutical Technology and Regulatory aspects of drug products at the Dept. of Drug Sciences, University of Pavia, I coordinate the EMJMD NANOMED. In my career, I was associate professor at the University of Catania and postdoc at the College of Pharmacy, University of Kentucky, USA.
My scientific research focuses on drug delivery and tissue engineering, encompassing design and development, through emerging manufacturing techniques such as electrospinning, microfluidics and 3Dprinting, of drug loaded liposomes, polymer nanoparticles and biodegradable polymer scaffolds as platform for soft tissue regeneration (i.e. vascular grafts and biomimetic esophagus), and their physical-chemical characterization. I collaborate with Italian and foreign academics, companies, and hospitals. I am currently involved in PNNR PE13 INF-ACT (Italian Ministry of University) and Immunohub (Italian Health Dept) projects for the delivery of anti-infective and immunomodulatory drugs. I am member of the editorial boards of international peer reviewed Journals, and scientific associations CRS, AAPS. Author of 201 publications in International peer-reviewed journals, 6386 citations, 43 h-index (Scopus 28/08/2025) 2 patents.

Prof. Paolo Decuzzi | Fondazione Istituto Italiano di Tecnologia

Paolo Decuzzi is a Senior Scientist and Professor of Biomedical Engineering at the Italian Institute of Technology in Genoa – Italy where, in July 2015, established the Laboratory of Nanotechnology for Precision Medicine returning in Europe after 10 years of activities conducted in different Clinical Research Institutions in Houston (Texas – USA). Decuzzi is a board member of multiple scientific associations, institutions, and advisory panels, including the Controlled Release Society, IIT, ERC, and the Academic Biotech Accelerator SPARK at Stanford. His multidisciplinary research focuses on the rational design of nanoconstructs and implantable devices for the treatment and imaging of various diseases, including cancer, cardiovascular, metabolic, and neurological disorders. In this context, Decuzzi has published 200+ scientific manuscripts and generated 10+ patents. His activities have been funded by multiple US and EU organizations and private corporations totaling over $15 million.

Prof. Pietro Matricardi | Università di Roma La Sapienza

Pietro Matricardi is a Full Professor at Tor Vergata University of Rome, Italy. His research focuses on developing new materials based on polysaccharides for drug delivery and tissue engineering applications. He conducts studies on macro and micro hydrogel systems, tablets, microspheres, and self-assembling polysaccharide nanohydrogels. He pays particular attention to Interpenetrating Polymer Networks and nanohydrogels composed of polysaccharides or polysaccharide/synthetic polymer systems.
Currently, he teaches "Pharmaceutical Technology and Legislation" at Tor Vergata University. Previously, he taught "Pharmaceutical Technology and Legislation," "Nanotechnology," and "Polymers for Pharmaceuticals" at Sapienza University, where he instructed students in the Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Technology program.
Pietro Matricardi earned his M.Sc. (Laurea) in Chemistry in 1989 and his Ph.D. in 1993 from Sapienza University of Rome. In 1993, he joined the Lepetit Group at their Anagni site. In 1994, he transitioned to the risk assessment unit of INAIL. In 2004, he became an Associate Professor in the Drug Chemistry and Technologies Department at Sapienza University of Rome. In 2019 and 2021, he was appointed Associate Professor and Full Professor. He finally joined the Department of Biology at Tor Vergata University of Rome in 2025.
Pietro Matricardi serves as a guest editor and is a member of the editorial board for several journals in the fields of drug delivery, pharmaceutics, and carbohydrate polymers. He has published over 115 papers in international peer-reviewed journals and holds five patents. Additionally, he has participated as a lecturer at numerous conferences, written a book, and contributed to various book chapters.

Prof. Rosario Pignatello | Università di Catania

Professore Ordinario di Tecnologia e Legislazione Farmaceutiche presso il Dipartimento di Scienze del Farmaco e
della Salute dell'Università di Catania, del quale è Direttore dal 2018. Dallo stesso anno è componente del Senato Accademico dell'Ateneo di Catania.
E' attualmente componente del Collegio dei Probiviri del CRS Italy Chapter.
L'attività didattica riguarda principalmente gli ambiti della Tecnologia farmaceutica e della Legislazione sanitaria e ambientale.
L'attività scientifica si concentra su alcuni settori della tecnologia farmaceutica innovativa, in particolare la preparazione e caratterizzazione di sistemi micro- e nanoparticellari polimerici e lipidici per la veicolazione ed il targeting di farmaci all'occhio, al cervello e al colon.
E' Editor o membro del comitato editoriale di diverse riviste internazionali del settore, editore di diverse Special issues del settore e autore di alcuni volumi sul drug delivery.