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	Master of Science in Neurobiology <i>University of Pavia, Pavia, Italy.</i> Concentration in neurophysiology	2006
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Research Experience:

- May 2017-2020: Postdoctoral fellow, Dr. Menno Witter, Kavli Institute, NTNU, Trondheim, Norway.
- July 2014-April 2017: Postdoctoral fellow, Dr. Bernardo Rudy, Department of Neuroscience, NYU, New York City, USA.
- February 2013-June 2014: Research Associate, Dr. Marco Martina. Department of Physiology, Northwestern University, Chicago, USA.
- February 2010-December 2012: Postdoctoral fellow, Dr. Johan Storm, Department of Physiology, University of Oslo, Norway.
- October 2006-November 2009: Graduate student, Dr. Jacopo Magistretti, Department of Physiology, University of Pavia, Italy.

Teaching experience:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2021: Two lectures at the Master in Neuroscience at NTNU <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Methods in neurophysiology ○ Microcircuit organization • 2020: Lecture “Methods in neurophysiology” for the Master in Neuroscience, NTNU, Norway • 2019: Lecture “Methods in neurophysiology” for the Master in Neuroscience, NTNU, Norway • August 2014: teaching assistant for Electrophysiological methods course at NYU
Editorial activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guest Associate Editor for Frontiers in Neural Circuits: Research Topic “Biogeography of the cortex: cell-type diversity across cortical regions and its functional implications” • Reviewer for Frontiers in Neural Circuits and for Behavioral and Brain Functions
Invited Presentations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bristol Neuroscience, University of Bristol, December 2020 • Nencki Institute of Experimental Biology, June 2020 • Kavli NDI-X Speakers Series, December 2019 • Department of Physiology, University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway. August 20, 2019 • Instituto de Neurociencias, Alicante, Spain. Christmas Meeting, 19-20 December 2018 • University of Pavia, Italy. “Career Day” for the Neurobiology Master. December 19, 2017 • University of Pavia, Italy. December 22, 2011
Awards:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2020: Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship • 2018: Seal of Excellence of the European Commission; • 2018: FENS-IBRO/PERC Travel grant; • 2017: Seal of Excellence of the European Commission; • 2006-2009: Ph.D. Studentship at the University of Pavia; • 2005: University of Pavia studentship for Neurobiology
Organization of scientific meetings:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022- JANUBET Symposium for Young Researchers in the exchange program Norway-Japan • 2017 “Career Day” for the Neurobiology Master, University of Pavia, Italy, co-organizer
Participation in institutional activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since 2021: Co-organizer of the Kavli Institute Seminar Series • 2019-2020 Secretary of the YROCK (Young Researcher Organization of the Neural Computation and the Kavli Institute for Systems Neuroscience) • 2020: Co-organizer of the departmental Journal Club at the Kavli Institute for Systems Neuroscience, NTNU, Norway • 2018-2020: Organizer of the Witter Lab Meeting, NTNU, Norway

Memberships:

- Italian Society for Neuroscience;
 - Norwegian Neuroscience Society
 - Federation of European Neuroscience Societies;
 - Society for Neuroscience (USA);
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