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Educazione/Attività lavorative

- 2004-2005 Visiting Scientist, Howard Hughes Medical Institute - HHMI, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, MA, USA;
- 2001-oggi Ricercatore a tempo indeterminato dell'Istituto di Genetica Molecolare del Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (IGM-CNR) di Pavia;
- 2000 Scuola Avanzata di Studi Integrati (SAFI), Istituto degli Studi Superiori, Università di Pavia;
- 2000 Dottorato in Scienze Genetiche e Biomolecolari, Università di Pavia;
- 1997 Abilitazione alla professione di biologo, Università di Pavia;
- 1995 Laurea in Scienze Biologiche (110/110, cum laude), Università di Pavia.

Riconoscimenti

- 2001 Borsa di studio del Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR);
- 1997 Borsa di studio Adriano Buzzati Traverso;
- 1996- Borsa di studio Adriano Buzzati Traverso.

Responsabile di Progetto

- 2019-2023 Italian Association for Cancer Research (AIRC) project: 21966
- 2016-2018 Italian Association for Cancer Research (AIRC) project: 17395
- 2014-2015 Fondazione Banca del Monte di Lombardia
- 2011-2014 Worldwide Cancer Research (ex AICR-UK) project: 11-0622
- 2012-2015 Italian Association for Cancer Research (AIRC) project: 11913
- 2005 Short Mobility Grant CNR
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Inviti come oratore

- Interplay between RNA binding proteins and non coding RNA's. Fondazione Mondino di Pavia 27-28th June 2019 (Pavia, Italy)
- Meeting SIICA (Italian Society of Immunology, Clinical Immunology and

Allergology) 25-27 May 2015. Certosa di Pontignano (Siena, Italy)

- The regulation of the metabolism of nucleic acids as a source of new opportunities for therapeutic intervention, PhD in Genetic and Biomolecular Sciences, University of Pavia (Italy), 12-15 April 2011
- Pre-mRNA maturation from molecular biology to pathology” PhD in Genetic and Biomolecular Sciences, University of Pavia (Italy), 18-25 March 2010;
- Meeting EURASNET (“European Alternative Splicing Network of Excellence”), 1-4 March 2010 Lisbon, Portugal
- International Meeting FISV (Italian Federation of Life Sciences), 23-25 September 2009, Riva del Garda, Italy
- Meeting EURASNET (“European Alternative Splicing Network of Excellence”) “Alternative Splicing”, 21-23 May 2008, Krakow, Poland;
- “Alternative Splicing and Disease Workshop”, 18 – 23 February 2008, University of Montpellier II, France
- “Alternate Transcript Diversity – Biology and Therapeutics” EMBL, 21-23 March, 2006, Heidelberg, Germania;
- 8th Annual Meeting of the RNA Society, 1-6 July 2003, Vienna - Austria;
- “RNA day”, 28 January, 2003, La Sapienza University, Rome.

Corsi

“RNA Therapeutics Workshop”, sponsorizzato da Harvard Medical School – Portugal Program and European Network of Excellence on Alternative Splicing, EURASNET, 2010 Lisbona, Portogallo;

“RNA Structure and Function”, International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology - ICGEB, 1996 Trieste, Italia.

Attività di Revisore

Referente di Riviste Internazionali: Science, Nature Communications, Molecular Cancer, Nucleic Acids Research, Trends in Molecular Medicine, Cancers, Scientific Reports, Human Molecular Genetics, PLOS ONE, Atherosclerosis, BMC Cancer, PeerJ, Journal of Experimental & Clinical Cancer Research, Frontiers in Genetics, Aging-us, Future Oncology, Apoptosis, BioMed Research International, International Journal of Molecular Sciences, Acta Biochimica et Biophysica Sinica, FEBS letter, Human Cell, Cellular and Molecular Neurobiology, Oncotarget, Molecular Medicine, DNA and Cell Biology, Journal of Molecular Medicine, World Journal of Gastroenterology, Journal of Cellular Biochemistry, Journal of Cardiovascular Medicine, Gene, Clinical and Experimental metastasis, International Journal of Cancer, Neurological Sciences, Biochimica et Biophysica Acta (BBA).

Referente di Agenzie di Ricerca: University of Rome Tor Vergata (Beyond Borders) Italy, FIRB Giovani 2013 (Italian Ministry of University and Research); AIDS Grant Programme (Italian Ministry of Health); Bandi SIR (Italian Ministry of University and Research), The Wellcome Trust/DBT-India Alliance; The Wellcome Trust, London-UK; "Rita Levi Montalcini Program" (Italian Ministry University and Research); North West Cancer Research Grant Application-UK; ICGEB (International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology) Research Grants (Trieste Italy); French National Research Agency (ANR); ANVUR (Italian National Agency for the Evaluation of the University System and Research).

La Dott.ssa Ghigna è inclusa nel registro degli esperti scientifici indipendenti italiani e stranieri (Ministero dell'Università e Ricerca, <https://reprise.cineca.it>)

Attività di Editore

- **2019. Special Issue:** “Alternative Splicing: Recent Insights into Mechanisms and Functional Role” in *Cells*; ISSN 2073-4409
- **2015. Special Issue:** “Posttranscriptional Regulation and RNA Binding Proteins in Cancer Biology”. *BioMed Research International*.
- **2013. Special Issue:** “Alternative splicing: role in cancer development and progression” in *International Journal of Cell Biology*

Editorial Board

Associate Editor di “Frontiers in Genetics” (RNA section)
<http://journal.frontiersin.org/journal/genetics#editorial-board>

Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale Professore II Fascia

Settori:

- 05-F1 BIOLOGIA APPLICATA
- 05-E2 BIOLOGIA MOLECOLARE
- 05-I1 GENETICA

Premi

Vincitrice nell’anno 2009 di un premio destinato a giovani ricercatori del Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (CNR).

COLLABORAZIONI SCIENTIFICHE

- Prof. Elisabetta Dejana (IFOM-IEO, Milano - Italia);
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PUBBLICAZIONI

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10. Moon H, Cho S, Loh TJ, Oh HK, Jang HN, Zhou J, Kwon YS, Liao DJ, Jun Y, Eom S, **Ghigna C**, Biamonti G, Green MR, Zheng X, Shen H. SRSF2

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- 4.** Valgardsdottir R, Chiodi I, Giordano M, **Ghigna C**, Biamonti G (2004). Nuclear stress bodies: anatomy and physiology of heterochromatin transcription factories. Recent Research Developments in Cell Science, 73-81 ISBN:81-7895, pp 112-6.

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PARTECIPAZIONE A CONGRESSI INTERNAZIONALI

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Ultraconserved DNA elements, alternative splicing and cell identity. The 11° Congresso FISV (Federazione Italiana Scienze della Vita), 23-25 Settembre 2009, Riva del Garda – Italia.

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