FRANCESCO FERRARI - Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION

February 2008 - University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy

Doctoral degree in Biotechnology and Molecular Medicine.

September 2004 - University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy

Laurea degree, in Medical Biotechnologies - graduation mark 110/110 Lode (summa cum laude).

(Italian laurea degree ante DM 509/99, i.e. before Bologna process for a unified European framework of higher education, equivalent to MS degree after Bologna process).

RESEARCH POSITIONS

November 2019 - present – IGM-CNR, Institute of Molecular Genetics "Luigi Luca Cavalli-Sforza", Pavia, Italy "Primo ricercatore" (senior researcher) - National Research Council (CNR)

January 2015 - present – IFOM, the FIRC Institute of Molecular Oncology, Milan, Italy Group leader, Computational Genomics Laboratory.

May 2010 - November 2014 - Harvard Medical School, Boston MA, USA

Postdoctoral research associate at the Center for Biomedical Informatics. Supervisor: prof. Peter J. Park.

January 2008-April 2010 – University of Padova, Italy

Postdoctoral research fellow. Supervisors: prof. Stefania Bortoluzzi and Silvio Bicciato.

2005-2007 - University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy

Graduate student in the Biotechnology and Molecular Medicine program. Supervisor: prof. Sergio Ferrari

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

September-October 2009 - Leiden University Medical Center, Leiden, The Netherlands

Visiting postdoctoral fellow – HPC Europa transnational access grant.

November-December 2007 – Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel

Visiting graduate student – Sergio Lombroso program for cancer research fellowship.

REASEARCH GRANTS

FRRB - Fondazione Regionale per la Ricerca Biomedica "Collaborative projects 2018" grant (2020 - 2022)

Project title: "A prospective clinical study integrating multiomics and advance coronary imaging for risk stratification in coronary atherosclerosis. INTESTRAT-CAD (INTEgrated STRAtification Tools in Coronary Artery Disease)" Role in the project: Partner PI (one of the 5 partner PIs in the grant).

Cariplo Foundation "Research on ageing diseases 2017" grant (04/01/2018 - 03/31/2021)

Project title: "Dissecting the role of heterochromatic conformation in age-related sarcopenia and frailty" Role in the project: Partner PI (one of the 4 partner PIs in the grant).

Vodafone Foundation Dreamlab project (2018 - 2019)

Project title: "Using genome 3D architecture to develop personalized medicine approaches" Role in the project: PI

Italian Ministry of Health - "Finalized research 2016" grant (03/15/2019 - 03/14/2022)

Project title: "Molecular mechanisms of alloreactive memory T cell anti-tumor responses in human allogeneic transplantation: implications for adoptive T cell transfer"

Role in the project: Partner PI (one of the 2 partner PIs in the grant).

Research grant by the French Muscular Dystrophy Association (AFM-Téléthon) (03/28/2017 - 03/27/2019).

Project title: "Deciphering the role of the heterochromatin conformation in Emery Dreifuss Muscular Dystrophy (EDMD)." Role in the project: Team leader (one of the 4 partner PIs in the grant).

AIRC Start-Up grant 2015 (grant #16841) by Italian Association for Cancer Research (01/01/2016 - 12/31/2021).

Project title: "Identification of enhancers regulating lung cancer genes: an integrated epigenomic and computational approach."

Five years grant for the establishment of a research team as a young independent PI at IFOM, Milan, Italy.