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## EDUCATION

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| <b>PhD</b><br>2021-2024                            | <b>Models and Methods for Material and Environmental Sciences</b><br>Project: " <i>Development of new pet radiotracers based on MCTs (Mono Carboxylate Transporters) inhibitors for cancer theranostics</i> "<br>University of Modena and Reggio Emilia<br>Tutor: Prof. Erika Ferrari                                    |
| <b>Master of 2<sup>nd</sup> level</b><br>2021-2021 | <b>Forensic Analytical Methodologies</b><br>University of Rome "Sapienza"<br>Date of achievement: 29.10.2021<br>Thesis: "Fentanil e derivati: metodologie di analisi e <i>case reports</i> "<br>Supervisor: Prof. Stefano Materazzi<br>Grade: 110/110                                                                    |
| <b>Master's Degree</b><br>2018-2020                | <b>Chemical Sciences (LM-54)</b><br>University of Modena and Reggio Emilia<br>Date of achievement: 11.12.2020<br>Thesis: "Pyrimidine derivatives of curcumin as potential targeting vector for theranostic purposes"<br>Supervisor: Prof. Erika Ferrari<br>Grade: 110/110 <i>summa cum laude</i>                         |
| <b>Bachelor's degree</b><br>2015-2018              | <b>Chemistry (L-27)</b><br>University of Modena and Reggio Emilia<br>Achievement date: 20.07.2018<br>Thesis: "Mesoporous bioactive glasses doped with zinc for tissue and bone regeneration"<br>Supervisors: Prof. Gianluca Malavasi, Prof. Sandra Sánchez Salcedo (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)<br>Grade: 110/110 |
| <b>Diploma</b><br>2010-2015                        | <b>Scientific Bilingual Highschool</b> (Italian/German)<br>Liceo Rinaldo Corso, Correggio (RE)<br>Grade: 96/100                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**01.11.2021-31.10.2024**    **Università degli studi di Modena e Reggio Emilia**  
Department of Chemical and Geological Sciences (DSCG)  
Research group of prof. Erika Ferrari

PhD project in the field of Nuclear Medicine. Three main topics were assessed:

1. Synthesis and characterization of small, fluorinated molecules with high affinity for Mono-Carboxylate Transporter 1 (MCT1) aimed to perform early cancer diagnosis through fluorine-18 PET.
2. Synthesis and characterization of a bioconjugate containing a coumarin *targeting vector* portion with high affinity for MCT1 and no3py as a chelating system for copper (II). This bioconjugate is intended to perform theranostic applications for cancers exploiting copper isotopes  $^{61/64/67}\text{Cu}$ .
3. Synthesis and characterization of new sulfonated chelating systems for copper (II). The focus was to assess the effect of the sulfonic groups and the net charge of similar ligands on their ability to coordinate copper (II) and the lipophilicity of the corresponding copper (II) complexes.

**01.05.2023-11.10.2023**    **Université de Bretagne Occidentale (UBO), Brest, France**  
Prof. Raphael Tripier Laboratory (UMR CNRS-UBO 6521)

Visting PhD Student period carried out within the *Erasmus + project in Brest (France)*.

The focus of the stay was the specialization in the synthesis, purification and characterization of polyazamacrocycles for metal coordination. In particular, the synthesis verted on new TACN derivatives for copper (II) coordination and the synthesis of a bioconjugated compound with a coumarin targeting vector portion and no3py chelator for copper (II) for application in nuclear medicine.

**01.2021-06.2021**    **University Clinic of Ulm**  
Department of Nuclear Medicine  
Radiopharmacy and research laboratories

Postgraduate internship experience carried out within the *Erasmus Traineeship project in Ulm (Germany)*.

Experience in radio-pharmacy in quality control of radio-drugs such as:

[Ga-68]PSMA-11, [Ga-68]HA-DOTATATE, [Ga-68]Pentixafor, [C-11]PIB, [C-11]Metionine, [F-18]FDG, [F-18]PSMA, [Tc-99m]PSMA-I+S, [Lu-177]PSMA-I+T, [Lu-177]HA-DOTATATE.

Research experience at the preclinical research laboratory of the department of nuclear medicine of the university clinic of Ulm.

Pharmacokinetic studies on liposomes used as vectors for therapeutic peptides by radiolabeling with  $^{89}\text{Zr}$  for positron emission tomography (PET) and by incorporating "*perfluoro-15-crown-5-ether*" for magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) on  $^{19}\text{F}$ .

**06.2020 - 12.2020**    **University of Modena and Reggio Emilia**

Department of Chemical and Geological Sciences  
Organic and inorganic synthesis laboratory  
**Internship in the research laboratory**

Experience of curricular internship during the Master's degree course at the research group of Prof. Erika Ferrari.

Research project in the field of organic synthesis and coordination chemistry for pharmaceutical purposes, with the production of the thesis entitled:

*"Pyrimidine derivatives of curcumin as potential targeting vector for theranostic purposes"*

**01.2018 - 06.2018    Universidad Complutense de Madrid**

Department of Pharmacy  
Biochemistry and bio-inorganic chemistry laboratory  
**Internship in the research laboratory**

Experience of curricular internship during the Bachelor's degree course carried out as part of *the Erasmus + project* in Madrid (Spain) at the research group of Prof. Antonio J. Salinas.

Research project in the biomedical field with the production of the thesis entitled:

*"Mesoporous bioactive glasses doped with zinc for tissue and bone regeneration"*

## CHEMICAL EXPERTISE

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### *Organic Synthesis*

- 1D and 2D  $^1\text{H}/^{13}\text{C}/^{19}\text{F}$  NMR.
- Flash Liquid Chromatography and MPLC.
- High Performance Liquid Chromatography coupled with Mass Spectrometry (HPLC-MS).
- Infrared Spectroscopy (FT-IR).

### *Complexation studies and thermodynamics*

- UV-Vis spectroscopy.
- 1D and 2D  $^1\text{H}/^{13}\text{C}/^{195}\text{Pt}$  NMR.

### *In vitro pre-clinical assays*

- *In Vitro* stability studies through Simulated Plasma.
- Cellular Cultures with biomaterials.
- Aseptic preparation under Laminar-Flow.

## PARTICIPATION TO SCHOOLS

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**2024**

PhD Winter School on Inorganic Materials Synthesis, Characterization and Sustainability, Brixen. (INOMAT2024)

European School of Medicinal Chemistry ESMEC, 41st Advanced Course of Medicinal Chemistry and Seminar for PhD students (ESMEC2024)

- 2022** The XLVI edition of the "Attilio Corbella" International Summer School on Organic Synthesis (**ISOS 2022**)
- European School of Medicinal Chemistry ESMEC, 41st Advanced Course of Medicinal Chemistry and Seminar for PhD students (**ESMEC2022**)
- The Fourth International Symposium on Technetium and Other Radiometals in Chemistry and Medicine (**TERACHEM**)

## PARTICIPATION TO CONGRESSES

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- 2024** French - Italian Coordination Chemistry days, Strasbourg. (**JCC2024**)
- X NAZIONAL CONGRESS GICR (Brescia).
- XXVIII Congresso Nazionale della Società Chimica Italiana.
- 2023** XXII Giornata della chimica dell'ER (Parma). (**XXII GcC-ER 2023**)
- Merck Young Chemists' Symposium 2023, Rimini. (**MYCS2023**)
- Radiochemistry network for young researchers. (Arcispedale S. Maria Nuova RE)
- "Optimizing Imaging and Dose-Response in RadiotherapieS" workshop. (**OIDRRS 2023**)
- 2022** The Fourth International Symposium on Technetium and Other Radiometals in Chemistry and Medicine. (**TERACHEM**)
- 44th International Conference on Coordination Chemistry. (**ICCC 2022**)
- Autumn Meeting for Young Chemists in Biomedical Sciences. (**AMYC Biomed 2022**)
- XXI Giornata della Chimica Emilia Romagna, Bologna. (**XXI GcC-ER 2022**)
- 2021** XX Giornata della Chimica dell'Emilia Romagna, Ferrara. (**XX GcC-ER 2021**)

## POSTER PRESENTATIONS

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- 2024** Matteo Mari, Jennifer Storch, Mattia Asti, Veronique Patinec, Raphael Tripier, Erika Ferrari. " Development of coumarin-no3py derivatives for theranostic applications in nuclear medicine" (**JCC2024**)

Matteo Mari "Small fluorinated molecules for MCT1 targeting in nuclear medicine" (ESMEC2024)

**2022**

M. Mari\*, F. Mariani, M. Asti, E. Ferrari. "Design and synthesis of MCT1 targeting molecules for diagnostic application" (ISOS 2022)

Matteo Mari\* "Synthesis and radiolabeling evaluations on pyrimidinic curcumin derivatives for colorectal cancer imaging" (ESMEC2022)

Matteo Mari, Maria Letizia Piacentini, Mattia Asti, Erika Ferrari. "Pyrimidinic curcumin derivatives for colorectal cancer diagnosis: synthesis, characterization and cold labelling" (AMYC Biomed 2022)

Matteo Mari, Sara Bertani, Alice Sgarbi, Jennifer Storch, Mattia Asti, Erika Ferrari. "Coumarin derivatives for MCT1 targeting: road to a radio-theranostic approach in oncology" (XXI GcC-ER 2022)

**2021**

Matteo Mari, Debora Carrozza, Michele Iori, Pier Cesare Capponi, Sara Rubagotti, Mattia Asti, Erika Ferrari. "Development of a new ligand based on Amino-pyrimidine Curcumin for theranostic applications" (GdC-ER 2021)

## ORAL PRESENTATIONS

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**2024**

Matteo Mari, Mattia Asti, Veronique Patinec, Raphael Tripier, and Erika Ferrari "Sulfonated no3py derivative for Cu(II) chelation in nuclear medicine" (INOMAT2024)

M. Mari, J. Storch, E. Frignani, M. Asti, V. Patinec, R. Tripier, A. Zambon, and E. Ferrari "Targeting MCT1: from fluorine to copper in nuclear medicine" (XXVIII Congresso Nazionale della Società Chimica Italiana)

**2023**

Matteo Mari, Alice Sgarbi, Jennifer Storch, Mattia Asti, Veronique Patinec, Raphael Tripier, Erika Ferrari. "Coumarin derivatives for MCT1 targeting in nuclear medicine: from fluorine to copper" (OIDRRS 2023)

Matteo Mari. "Labelled small molecules targeting Mono Carboxylate Transporters: preliminary results" (Radiochemistry Network)

Matteo Mari, Jennifer Storch, Mattia Asti, Veronique Patinec, Raphael Tripier, Alfonso Zambon, and Erika Ferrari "Small molecules to target MCT1: from fluorine to copper in nuclear medicine" (GdC-ER 2023)

Matteo Mari, Jennifer Storch, Mattia Asti, Veronique Patinec, Raphael Tripier, and Erika Ferrari "Coumarin derivatives for nuclear medicine: targeting MCT1 with fluorine and copper" (MYCS2023)

## TEACHING

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**2024-today**

**Formation for high school teachers**

Expert for the formation of high school teacher for the use of UV-Vis spectrophotometer with students. Theoretical and practical lessons. (12 hours)

## TUTOR ACTIVITIES

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- 2022**      **Classroom Tutor**  
Tutoring in General and Inorganic Chemistry for the Degree Course in Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Technologies (30 hours)
- Laboratory Tutor**  
Tutoring in Organic Chemistry for the Degree Course in Chemistry (30 hours)
- 2021**      **Classroom Tutor**  
Tutoring in General and Inorganic Chemistry for the Degree Course in Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Technologies (30 hours)
- 2020**      **Classroom Tutor**  
Tutoring in General and Inorganic Chemistry for the Degree Course in Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Technologies (20 hours)
- 2021-Today** Co-Supervisor of 6 bachelor theses and 3 master theses.

## PUBLICATIONS

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- 2024**      *"Bridging pyrimidine hemicurcumin and Cisplatin: Synthesis, coordination chemistry, and in vitro activity assessment of a novel Pt(II) complex"* ; Matteo Mari, Matteo Boniburini, Marianna Tosato, Francesca Zanni, Filippo Bonini, Francesco Faglioni, Laura Cuoghi, Silvia Belluti, Carol Imbriano, Mattia Asti, Erika Ferrari ; Journal of Inorganic Biochemistry (2024)  
doi.org/10.1016/j.jinorgbio.2024.112702
- 2023**      *"Radiolabeled Chalcone Derivatives as Potential Radiotracers for  $\beta$ -Amyloid Plaques Imaging"* ; Pier Cesare Capponi; Matteo Mari; Erika Ferrari; Mattia Asti ; Molecules (2023) 10.3390/molecules28073233
- "Development of Stable Amino-Pyrimidine-Curcumin Analogs: Synthesis, Equilibria in Solution, and Potential Anti-Proliferative Activity"* ; Matteo Mari, Matteo Boniburini, Marianna Tosato, Luca Rigamonti, Laura Cuoghi, Silvia Belluti, Carol Imbriano, Giulia Avino, Mattia Asti and Erika Ferrari ; IJMS (2023) 10.3390/ijms241813963
- 2022**      *"Curcumin-Based  $\beta$ -Diketo Ligands for Ga<sup>3+</sup>: Thermodynamic Investigation of Potential Metal-Based Drugs"* ; Matteo Mari, Debora Carrozza, Gianluca Malavasi, Ettore Venturi, Giulia Avino, Pier Cesare Capponi, Michele Iori, Sara Rubagotti, Silvia Belluti, Mattia Asti and Erika Ferrari ; Pharmaceuticals (2022) 10.3390/ph15070854
- 2021**      *"Applications of Radiolabelled Curcumin and Its Derivatives in Medicinal Chemistry"* ; Matteo Mari, Debora Carrozza, Erika Ferrari and Mattia Asti ; IJMS (2021) 10.3390/ijms22147410

## AWARDS AND HONOURS

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**2024** Awarded with Conference Grant by the Division on Inorganic Chemistry of the **Società Chimica Italiana** for the attendance to the PhD Winter School on Inorganic Materials Synthesis, Characterization and sustainability, Brixen. (INOMAT2024)

Awarded with Conference Grant by the Division on Inorganic Chemistry of the **Società Chimica Italiana** for the attendance to the French - Italian Coordination Chemistry days, Strasbourg. (JCC2024)

**2023** Awarded with Conference Grant for the attendance to "Optimizing Imaging and Dose-Response in Radiotherapies" workshop. (OIDRRS, Erquy, 2023)

**2022** Awarded with Travel Grant by the SRS (Society of Radiopharmaceutical Sciences) for the attendance to TERACHEM 2022: The Fourth International Symposium on Technetium and Other Radiometals in Chemistry and Medicine (11-18 September 2022).

**2021** Awarded with Conference Grant by the Division on Inorganic Chemistry of the **Società Chimica Italiana** for the attendance to the XXVII National Congress of the Italian Chemical Society (14-23 September 2021).

## HABILITATION

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**2021** Professional Habilitation in Chemistry obtained at University of Modena and Reggio Emilia with exam on 16.06.2021.

## LANGUAGES

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**Italian:** native speaker

**English:** C1, TOEFL obtained in 2015, score: 96/120

**Spanish:** B2 DELE certified in 2019

**German:** B1

**French:** A2/B1

## SOFTWARE

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**Microsoft Office:** Good knowledge of Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook packages

**Topspin/Mestrenova:** software for the visualization and analysis of NMR spectra

**Matlab:** basic knowledge of "PLS Toolbox" for chemometric analysis

**PyES:** Good knowledge of PyES software to calculate and plot speciation distribution diagrams of ligands and metal complexes.

## TRANSVERSAL SKILLS

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- Able to work in a team and share expertise.
- Great ability to plan and schedule work.
- Gladly available for written or oral communications.
- Good skills in leading bachelor or master students during their traineeships.

## MEMBERSHIPS

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**2021- Today GICR** (Gruppo Interdisciplinare di Chimica dei Radiofarmaci)  
**2021- Today SCI** (Italian Chemical Society), Inorganic and Organic Chemistry Divisions  
**2022- 2023 SRS** (Society of Radiopharmaceutical Sciences)  
**2024- Today ESMI** (European Society for Molecular Imaging)

## EXPERIENCES ABROAD

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| <b>05.2023 – 11.10.2023</b> | <b>ERASMUS+</b><br>PhD internship at Université de Bretagne Occidentale (UBO)<br>At Prof. Raphael Tripier Laboratory (UMR CNRS-UBO 6521 "CEMCA")<br>Brest, France                    |
| <b>01.2021 – 06.2021</b>    | <b>ERASMUS TRAINEESHIP</b><br>Postgraduate internship at "Universitätsklinikum Ulm"<br>Department of Nuclear Medicine<br>Ulm, Germania                                               |
| <b>01.2018 – 06.2018</b>    | <b>ERASMUS +</b><br>Curricular internship at the Universidad Complutense de Madrid<br>Department of Pharmacy<br>Biochemistry and bio-inorganic chemistry laboratory<br>Madrid, Spain |
| <b>06.2014 – 07.2014</b>    | <b>LEONARDO MOBILITY PROJECT</b><br>Training internship at "Vsmpto Tirus GmbH"<br>Sales<br>Frankfurt am Main, Germany                                                                |
| <b>06.2013</b>              | <b>SUMMER SCHOOL</b><br>Period of summer school abroad at "The Bournemouth School of English"<br>Bournemouth, United Kingdom                                                         |

## CONTACTS FOR REFERENCES

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Il sottoscritto dichiara che quanto indicato nella presente domanda corrisponde al vero ai sensi dell'art.46 e 47 D.P.R. 445/2000 ed esprime il proprio consenso affinché i dati personali forniti possano essere trattati nel rispetto del D.lgs n.196/03, e del Regolamento UE n. 2016/679, per gli adempimenti connessi alla presente procedura.