Curriculum Vitae Ilaria Pecorari

# PERSONAL INFORMATION

# Ilaria Pecorari



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Sex Female | Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY) 08/11/1988 | Nationality Italian

#### **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

#### November 2015 -present

# Graduate School (PhD)

PhD Course of Nanotechnology - University of Trieste

• PhD project: Characterization of the mechanical properties of cells with genetic modifications

J-1 VISA - Exchange visitor program - Research scholar (October 2017 - May 2018)

School of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, University of Colorado Denver (Aurora, US)

 Cell culture, cell behavior characterization, interactions between cells and different substrates, adenoviral vectors, immunoblotting, microscopy, atomic force microscopy on living cells

**J-1 VISA – Exchange visitor program – Research scholar** (June 2017 – October 2017)

UTHealth, Center for Cardiovascular Genetics (Houston, US)

• Investigation of the response of cell cultures to uniaxial stretch, interactions between cells and different substrates, microscopy

Erasmus + Traineeship (March 2016 – August 2016)

Institute for Biophysics, Department of Nanotechnology, BOKU (Vienna, AT)

 Cell culture, cell adhesion and antifouling experiments, atomic force microscopy on living cells, paper writing, paper reviewing, seminar presentation

# 2011-2014

# Master's Degree in Clinical Engineering

University of Trieste

 Thesis Title: 'Proposal of a reference standard for the achievement of clinical laboratories in Africa: an interdisciplinary perspective on innovative and sustainable technological solutions'

#### 2007-2010

### Bachelor's Degree in Electronic Engineering

University of Trieste

• Thesis Title: 'Evaluating mechanical properties of cells with atomic force microscopy'

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

### October 2014 - September 2015

# Safety Engineer

Intertek Italia S.p.A. (Campoformido (UD), IT)

 Certification of safety and performances of electrical products, household and professional, in accordance with national and international Standards (IEC, UL, CSA, SASO, etc.)

# April 2014 - September 2014

### Internship

Intertek Italia S.p.A. (Campoformido (UD), IT)

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### March 2013 - December 2013

#### Tutor

Department of Engineering and Architecture – University of Trieste

• Tutoring students, supporting teachers during entrance exams and other activities, website update

#### August 2013

### Internship

Elettronica Biomedicale s.r.l. (Trieste, IT)

• Evaluation, scheduling and optimisation of technical interventions on laboratory equipment

### March 2013 - August 2013

# Professional partnership

Department of Engineering and Architecture - University of Trieste

### December 2011 - January 2012

# Work under an independent contractor agreement

Department of Industrial Engineering and Information Technology – University of Trieste

### January 2011 - November 2011

### Professional partnership

Department of Industrial Engineering and Information Technology – University of Trieste

 Assessment of mechanical properties of living cells with atomic force microscopy; development of a conditioning device coupled with atomic force microscope

### July 2010 - December 2010

# Internship

Department of Industrial Engineering and Information Technology – University of Trieste

- Assessment of cells' mechanical properties with atomic force microscopy, cell culture

#### PERSONAL SKILLS

# Mother tongue(s)

### Italian

### Other language(s)

UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
C1	C1	C1	C1	C1

# English (autocertification)

### Communication skills

- Teamwork: I worked with various types of team, in both research and company settings. I laid the foundations for the partnership between my research group and BOKU University in Vienna (AT).
- Intercultural skills: I am used to work in an international environment. I lived in Austria for 6 months and in US for almost 1 year. I like to be in contact with different cultures, sharing experiences and backgrounds.
- Multidisciplinary skills: I successfully collaborated with scientists having different backgrounds (biologists, physicists, engineers, medical doctors, etc.) since I strongly believe that a multidisciplinary approach is crucial to address most questions.

# Organisational / managerial skills

- Independence and self-management: during my PhD I learned to work independently, plan and perform experiments.
- Management by objectives: I am used to work in a deadline-oriented environment. I am also able to focus on quality and economical objectives thanks to my experience at Intertek Italia S.p.A.
- Excellent coping skills.

### Job-related skills

- Good practice at using electronical instrumentation such as oscilloscopes, multimeters, power meters, data acquisition units gained through my experience at Intertek Italia S.p.A.
- I can work independently and efficiently with sophisticated equipment, e.g. atomic force microscope.

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### Computer skills

- Excellent command of Microsoft Office<sup>™</sup> tools
- Good command of C++
- Sufficient command of Matlab®
- Good command of R
- Good command of ImageJ
- Good command of Origin® and GraphPad Prism

# Other skills

- I played the piano for eight years
- I like to organize and take part to events for communicating science to a general audience (e.g. Contestant in final round of "FameLab-Trieste", February 22, 2017, Trieste (IT); volunteering at TriesteNext, September 2018)

#### **Driving licence**

Italian driving licence type B

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### **Publications**

- **Pecorari I.**, Codan B., Martinelli V., Maggiolino S., Fior R., Sbaizero O., "Mechanical properties of 3T3 fibroblasts due to fixation assessed using atomic force microscopy" (2011) Proceedings of Nanotechltaly 2011 Venice, 23 25 November 2011, ISBN 978-88-6140-119-8. (peer review).
- Cortese A., Pecorari I., Musi R., Putoto G., Nunziata E., "Standardization of clinical laboratories in Africa: a multidisciplinary approach to innovative and sustainable technical solutions" Proceedings of Appropriate Healthcare Technologies for Low Resource Settings (AHT 2014), London (UK) September 17-18, 2014. (peer review).
- Putoto G, Cortese A., Pecorari I., Musi R., Nunziata E., "Harmonization of clinical laboratories in Africa: a multidisciplinary approach to identify innovative and sustainable technical solutions", Diagnosis. Volume 2, Issue 2, Pages 129–135, DOI: 10.1515/dx-2014-0071, June 2015.
- Moreno-Cencerrado A., Iturri J., Pecorari I., Vivanco M.D.M., Sbaizero O., Toca-Herrera J.L., "Investigating Cell-Substrate and Cell-Cell Interactions by Means of Single-Cell-Probe Force Spectroscopy", Microscopy Research and Technique. Volume 80, Issue 1, Pages 124–130, DOI: 10.1002/jemt.22706, January 2017 (Epub June 25, 2016).
- **Pecorari I.**, Puzzi L., Sbaizero O., "Atomic force microscopy and lamins: A review study towards future, combined investigations", Microscopy Research and Technique. Volume 80, Issue 1, Pages 97-108, DOI: 10.1002/jemt.22801, January 2017 (Epub November 17, 2016).
- Borin D., Pecorari I., Pena B., Sbaizero O., "Novel insights into cardiomyocytes provided by atomic force microscopy", Seminars in Cell and Developmental Biology. Volume 73, Pages 4-12, DOI: 10.1016/j.semcdb.2017.07.003, January 2018 (Epub July 4, 2017) (shared co-authorship).
- Pecorari I., Borin D., Sbaizero O., "A perspective on the experimental techniques for studying lamins", Cells. Volume 6, Issue 4, 33, DOI: 10.3390/cells6040033, October 2017 (shared coauthorship).
- Pecorari I., Chen S.N., Mestroni L., Taylor M., Sbaizero O., "Biomechanical characterization of cardiac fibroblasts in an *in vitro* progeria model", NanoInnovation 2018, Rome (IT), September 11-14, 2018 (Poster and oral communication).

### Seminars and Workshops

- INSTM, XVII Scuola nazionale di scienza dei materiali (September 26-30, 2011): "Governare la complessità dei materiali: sistemi ibrido-funzionali e biomimetici".
- "NMBS 2015" workshop, "New synchrotron radiation and optical techniques for nanoscale microscopy of biological systems: from single molecules to cells", Trieste (IT), December 9-10, 2015.
- BioBash Essentials workshop, Ljubljana (SLO), February 15-19, 2016: "Bioinformatics, including Linux, NGS and Python basics".
- "Training in Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Technology Transfer", Trieste (IT), February 13-15, 2017.
- CEI Cooperation Activity VII Spring School on "ICT, economical and organizational issues for e-health integration in the enlarged Europe", Koper (SLO), May 22-24, 2017.
- "Introduction to laboratory animal science", Center for laboratory animal medicine and care, UTHealth Health Science Center, Houston (Texas, US), June 26, 2017.
- "Practical research methodology mice and rats", Center for laboratory animal medicine and care, UTHealth Health Science Center, Houston (Texas, US), June 28, 2017.

Awards

• "Fernando Tommasini Award" for the most comprehensible talk, PhD Course in Nanotechnology, Trieste (IT), January 25, 2018.

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