

# Curriculum Vitae

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## FORMAZIONE TITOLI

2018 (oct)-now Associate Professor of Industrial Bioengineering – University of Palermo, Engineering Department, viale delle Scienze building 6, 90128, Palermo (Italy)

2011-2018 Associate Professor of Material Science and Technology

2006-2011 Assistant Professor of Chemical Engineering  
2001-2005 Post Doctoral Fellowship  
2001-2004 MASTER in biomaterials (CIRMI), Milano  
1998-2000 PhD (XIII cycle), University of Palermo  
1997 Master Degree in Chemical Engineering (110/100 cum laude).  
1996 Erasmus projects (Loughborough University of Technology, UK)  
1994-1995 Universitary Stages atAGIP (Gela, Porto Torres, Italy)

## ATTIVITA' DIDATTICA

### 1. *Teaching Duties*

- *Materials and processes for tissue engineering, Materials and processes for tissue and biochemical engineering, Tissue Engineering, Applied Chemistry, Applied Chemistry and Materials Science and Technology, Chemical Process Design, Fundamentals of Biochemical Engineering, Polymeric Materials*, for the courses of Chemical Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Energy Engineering, Materials Engineering, Environmental Engineering at University of Palermo

### 2. *Tutorials*

- *Fundamentals of Chemical Engineering, Unitary Operations of Chemical Engineering, Chemical and Petrochemical Plants, Fundamentals of Chemistry and Physics of Macromolecules, Fundamentals of Biochemical Plants*, for the courses of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnologies at University of Palermo

### 3. *Other teaching experiences*

- Seminars on *Numerical Methods for Chemical Engineering, Energy and Mass Balances, Industrial Polymers and*

*Applications, General Chemistry, Chemistry and Physics of polymers, Fundamentals of Materials for orthopedics, Prostheses and regenerative Medicine, Fundamentals of Materials, Fundamentals of Material Processing, Polymer Injection Molding* within several projects financed by EU (PON SIB 01-01827, PON 0200355 PLASTics, PONa300273)

- Numerous seminars upon invitations in several international institutions: *University of Halle (Germany), University of Texas at Austin (USA), University of San Sebastian (Spain), DSM Research (The Netherlands)*
- Lecture in the GRICU School 2019 "Green Chemistry and Chemical Engineering", "Chemical Engineering for Biomedical Applications", Palermo, 3-6 luglio 2019
- Lecture in the GRICU School 2015 " Biological and bioprocess engineering", Padova, 7-11 settembre 2015
- Tutor of 50 master students' theses and 40 undergraduate students' theses
- Tutors of 4 PhD students
- Member of the *PhD Teaching Board in Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)*, University of Palermo

## **RICERCHE FINANZIATE**

- "Conversione di Piattaforme Off Shore per usi multipli eco-sostenibili - PlaCE" PON 2014-2020
- "Identificazione di sistemi di rilascio ottimali per i Nucleic Acid Based Drugs e studio dei meccanismi di azione in alcuni modelli di patologie umane infiammatorie e tumorali", PRIN 2010, UO Palermo2, 2012-2015
- "Materiali biodegradabili a porosità controllata per applicazioni biomediche", PRIN 2008, UO Palermo, 2010-12
- "SIBAR – Sistemi di Irrigazione Biodegradabili per l'impiego di Acque Reflue urbane per le produzioni alimentari", P.O.N. Ricerca e competitività 2007/2013
- Progetto "Collettore Idea Sole – Innovativa piastrella per l'utilizzo di energia solare per il riscaldamento di liquidi" finanziato dal Ministero dell'Ambiente, 2011-2013
- "SOLUZIONI AVANZATE BASATE SU BIOMATERIALI A MATRICI COMPOSITE COMPLESSE PER LA RIPARAZIONE E LA RIGENERAZIONE DELLA CARTILAGINE ARTICOLARE MEDIANTE TECNICHE MININVASIVE ", PON-SIB, P.O.N. Ricerca e competitività 2007/2013
- Termoporazione Dinamica Irreversibile (DIT), linea di intervento 4.1.1.1 del PO FESR 2007/2013
- ECO-FLACONI - packaging eco-sostenibile per detergenti a ridotto impatto ambientale" P.O. FESR 2007/2013, linea di intervento 4.1.1.2
- "Characterization of the no-flow temperature of semicrystalline thermoplastics" (responsabile scientifico), finanziato da DSM Research, 2008;

- "COntamination for PA Aliphatic Diolates" Cooperazione tra il Cnr e la Dm, 2007; Research, 2004-2007;
- "Polymers Injection Advanced Moulding" (PIAM), EU- Coordination action VII framework, 2004-2007;
- "Solidification of PBT/PET blends in relation to processing" finanziato da DSM Research, 2004-2006;
- "Scaffold polimerici riassorbibili per applicazioni biomedicali" fondi di Ateneo ex 60%, 2004-2006;
- "Cinetica di cristallizzazione, struttura e processabilità di nanocompositi e miscele con gomme a base di polistirene sindiotattico" PRIN, UO Palermo, 2002-2004;

## ASSOCIAZIONI SCIENTIFICHE

Polymer Processing Society - PPS

Associazione Italiana d'Ingegneria dei Materiali - AIMAT

Consorzio Interuniversitario di Scienza e Tecnologia dei Materiali - INSTM

European Association of Material Forming - ESAFORM

Gruppo Ricercatori Ingegneria Chimica dell'Università - GRICU

Latin Association on Vascular Research - LIAC

Gruppo Italiano Bionegneria

## PUBBLICAZIONE

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Referred International Journals

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pulmonary epithelial  
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La Carrubba, Vincenzo,  
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**ENGINEERING**, vol. 6,  
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Gothenburg, Sweden.,  
August 19-21

#### **Chapters in Books**

1 2018

Liliana Liverani,  
Vincenzo Guarino,  
Vincenzo La Carrubba,  
Aldo R Boccaccini,  
Porous Biomaterials and  
Scaffolds for Tissue  
Engineering, in  
Encyclopedia of  
Biomedical Engineering,  
pp. 188-202, <https://doi.org/10.1016/B978-0-12-801238-3.998>

2 2012

La Carrubba V, Brucato V (2012). Solidification of Polypropylene Under Processing Conditions – Relevance of Cooling Rate, Pressure and Molecular Parameters. In: (a cura di): Fatih Dogan, *Polypropylene*. p. 429-458, INTECH, ISBN: 978-953-51-0636-4

3 2011

La Carrubba V, Carfi Pavia F, Gherzi G, Brucato V (2011). Polylactide biodegradable scaffolds for tissue engineering applications phase separation-based techniques. In: (a cura di): Felton Gary P, *Biodegradable Polymers: Processing, Degradation and Applications*. p. 109-206, HAUPPAUGE NY 11788-3619:Nova Science Publishers, Inc., ISBN: 978-161209534-9

#### **Presentations to International Meetings**

2018

- IEEE 4th International Forum on Research and Technologies for Society and Industry, RTSI 2018 Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers

Inc., Palermo, Sept  
10-13 2018

- 6th International  
Conference on  
Manufacturing  
Research, Skowde,  
Sweden Sept 11-13  
2018

2017

- 5th International  
Conference on  
Manufacturing  
Research, ICMR 2017;  
University of Greenwich  
London; United  
Kingdom. September  
7-9, 2017

- XXXIII LIAC Meeting  
on Vascular Research,  
Bordeaux (France), Nov  
29-Dec1, 2017

2016

- TERMIS - Americas  
Conference and  
Exhibition, San Diego  
(USA), 11-14 Dec 2016

- XXXII LIAC Meeting on  
Vascular Research,  
Ustica (Italy), Sept  
14-17, 2016

2015

- 5th international  
conference on  
Biofoams, Sorrento  
(Italy), Oct 13-16, 2015

- International  
Conference on Polymer

Processing with  
Resulting Morphology  
and Properties: Feet in  
the Present and Eyes at  
the Future, GT70 2015;  
Salerno (Italy), Oct  
15-17, 2015

- Euro Membrane  
conference 2015,  
Aachen (Germany)  
September 7-10 2015

- International Material  
Research Congress  
2015. Cancun (Mx),  
August 16-20 2015

#### 2014

- XXX LIAC Meeting on  
Vascular Research,  
Valladolid (Spain), Oct  
22-25, 2014

#### 2013

- Polymer Processing  
Society 29th Annual  
Meeting, Nurember,  
(Germany) July 5-19  
2013

- First International  
Symposium on Vascular  
Tissue Engineering.  
Leiden (The  
Netherlands), May  
28-29 2013

- 4th International  
Conference on  
Biofoams 2013. Toronto  
(Canada), August 27-29  
2013

- European Polymer  
Congress (EPF 2013).  
Pisa (Italy), June, 16 -  
21, 2013

- XXIX LIAC Meeting on  
Vascular Research,  
Alghero (Italy), Sept  
18-21, 2013

2012

- TERMIS Meeting.  
Vienna (Austria),  
September 5-8 2012.

- EUPOC 2012 - Porous  
Polymer-based systems:  
from design to  
application. Gargnano  
(Italy), June 3-7 2012

- 6th International  
Conference on Times of  
Polymers (TOP) and  
Composites; Ischia  
(Italy). June 12-14 2012

- 3rd International  
Conference on Industrial  
Biotechnology. Palermo  
(Italy) June 24-27 2012.

- XXVIII LIAC Meeting  
on Vascular Research,  
Grenoble (France), Oct  
3-6, 2012

2011

- The Polymer  
Processing Society 27th  
Annual Meeting".  
Marrakech (Morocco),  
May 10-14, 2011

- The 14th International  
Conference on Material  
Forming ESAFORM  
2011, Belfast (UK), April  
27-29 2011.

- Advances in Polymer  
based Materials and  
Related Technologies, a

workshop in honour of  
Mimmo Acierno's 70th  
birthday. Capri (Italy),  
May 29- June 1 2011

- XXVII LIAC Meeting on  
Vascular Research,  
Logrono (Spain), Oct  
5-8, 2011

2010

- 23rd European  
Conference on  
Biomaterials. Tampere,  
Finland, September  
11-15 2010

- XXX Meeting of the  
Italian Society for The  
study of the connective  
tissue (SISC). Palermo  
(Italy), October 27-29,  
2010

- 5TH INTERNATIONAL  
CONFERENCE ON  
TIMES OF POLYMERS  
TOP AND  
COMPOSITES. Ischia  
(Italy), June 20-23, 2010

2009

- Polymerfest, 40 years  
of "Polymer Research"  
at University of Palermo,  
Palermo (Italy), August  
30-Sept 2, 2009

- 2nd Maghreb  
Conference on  
Desalination and Water  
Treatment. Hammamet  
(Tunisia), December  
20-23 2009

2008

Processing Society 24th  
PPS-24 The Polymer  
Annual Meeting. Salerno  
(Italy), June 15-19, 2008

2007

- 10th ESAFORM  
Conference on Material  
forming. Zaragoza  
(Spain), 18-20 April 2007

- The 23rd annual  
meeting of the Polymer  
Processing Society.  
Salvador-Bahia, Brazil,  
May 27-31, 2007

- Polymer Blends 9th  
European Symposium.  
Palermo (Italy),  
September 9-12, 2007

2006

- COST P12 Conference  
2006, Crystallisation and  
Structure Formation of  
Polymers. Mittelwihr,  
(France) October 8-11,  
2006

- The 9th International  
Conference on Material  
Forming ESAFORM  
2006. Glasgow  
(Scotland), April 25-28,  
2006

2005

- 21st Annual Meeting of  
the Polymer Processing  
Society. Lepzig  
(Germany), June 19-23,  
2005

- The 8th ESAFORM Conference on Material Forming. Cluj Napoca (Romania), April 27-29, 2005

2004

- COST P12 Conference 2004, Structuring of Polymers. Napoli (Italy), October 27-30, 2004

- The 7th ESAFORM Conference on Material Forming ESAFORM 2004. Trondheim (Norway) April 28-30, 2004

2003

- Polymer Processing Society regional meeting. Athens (Greece), September 14-17 2003

- The 6th International ESAFORM Conference on Material Forming, Salerno (Italy), April 28-30 2003

- Polymer Crystallization and Structure Formation in Processing. Linz, Austria, September 19-20, 2003

2002

- Polymer Processing Society, 18th Annual Meeting. Guimaraes (Portugal), June 16-20, 2002

The 5th ESAFORM  
conference on Material  
Forming. Krakow  
(Poland) April 14-17,  
2002

2001

- Polymer Processing  
Society, 17th Annual  
Meeting. Montreal,  
Canada, May 31- June  
4, 2001

- 3rd ESAFORM  
conference on Material  
Forming. Liège  
(Belgium) 23-25 April,  
2001

- 7th European  
Conference on  
advanced Materials and  
Processing, EUROMAT.  
Rimini (Italy) June  
10-14, 2001

2000

- Polymer Processing  
Society XVI regional  
meeting, Zlin (Czech  
Republic), August  
15-18, 2000

- 2nd ESAFORM  
conference on Material  
Forming. Stuttgart  
(Germany), April 11-14  
2000

1999

- Polymer Processing  
Society, 15th Annual  
Meeting. 's  
Hertogenbosch (The  
Netherlands), May 31-

June 4 1999

1998

- 1st ESAFORM  
conference on Material  
Forming. Sophia–  
Antipolis (France),  
March 17-20, 1998

1997

- Polymer Processing  
Society –Europe/Africa  
Region Meeting.  
Gothenburg (Sweden),  
August 19-21, 1997

**Presentations in Italian  
Meetings**

2018

- Congresso Nazionale  
Società Italiana  
Biomateriali. Rende  
(Cosenza), 6-8 giugno  
2018

2015

- Congresso Nazionale  
Società Italiana  
Biomateriali. Ancona,  
3-5 giugno 2015

**2014**

- XII convegno nazionale AIMAT 2014.  
Lecce, 21-24 settembre 2014

- XXI Convegno dell'Associazione Italiana di Scienza e Tecnologia delle Macromolecole. Torino, 14-19 settembre 2014

- I materiali biocompatibili per la medicina. Convegno nazionale della Società italiana biomateriali Palermo, 2-4 luglio 2014

**2013**

- IX convegno nazionale sulla scienza e tecnologia dei materiali. Bari, 30 giugno - 3 luglio 2013

**2012**

- XII Convegno della Società Italiana di Reologia. Ustica, 3-6 luglio 2012

- Congresso Nazionale Biomateriali. Lecce, 18-20 giugno 2012

**2011**

- XX Convegno Italiano di Scienza e Tecnologia delle Macromolecole. Terni, 4-8 settembre 2011

**2006**

- Quarto Congresso del  
dipartimento di biologia  
cellulare e dello  
sviluppo. Palermo,  
20-21 Dicembre 2006

- 8° Convegno  
Nazionale AIMAT.  
Palermo, June 27-July  
1, 2006

**2005**

- Congresso annuale del  
Dipartimento di Biologia  
Cellulare e dello  
Sviluppo "A. Monroy ".  
Palermo, 21-22  
Dicembre 2005

**2004**

- Convegno GRICU  
2004 Nuove Frontiere di  
Applicazione delle  
Metodologie  
dell'Ingegneria Chimica.  
Ischia, 12-15 Settembre  
2004

**2001**

- XV Convegno Italiano  
di Scienza e Tecnologia  
delle Macromolecole.  
Trieste, 24-27  
Settembre 2001

- III Convegno INSTM  
Nazionale sulla Scienza  
e Tecnologia dei  
Materiali. Trento, 18-20  
Giugno 2001

2000

- Convegno AIMAT.  
Spoleto, 17-21 luglio  
2000

1999

- Il Convegno Nazionale  
sulla Scienza e  
Tecnologia dei Materiali.  
Acireale, 14-16 ottobre  
1999

1998

- Convegno GRICU.  
Ferrara, 22-25  
settembre 1998

#### **Italian Patents**

- Brevetto  
RM2009A00007  
depositato il 18/02/2009  
dal titolo  
"PROCEDIMENTO DI  
PREPARAZIONE DI  
SCAFFOLD  
POLIMBRICI  
PREANGIOGENIZZATI"

- Brevetto PA2010 A  
000023 depositato nel  
2010 dal titolo "Sistema  
biocompatibile di  
supporto per la  
piantumazione di  
organismi vegetali in  
ambiente marino"

- Brevetto  
102016000005975  
presentato il 22/01/2016  
dal titolo "Bioreattore a  
perfusione  
autosufficiente monouso  
per crescite cellulari 3D"

- Brevetto  
102016000033555  
depositato in data  
01/04/2016 dal titolo  
"Tessuti bio-ibridi  
impiegabili nei trapianti  
e procedimento per la  
loro preparazione"

## AMBITI DI RICERCA

Research activity is focused on the following topics:

- *modelling and characterization of phase separation processes aimed to the synthesis of biodegradable polymeric scaffolds for tissue engineering applications (skin, bone, osteochondral and vascular tissue engineering): mechanical and biological characterization, development of innovative materials*
- *modelling and experimental analysis on crystallization kinetics of thermoplastic polymers under processing conditions*
- *development of on line tools (indentation test) for modelling, control and optimization of injection moulding*
- *modelling and experimental analysis of injection moulding of polymeric materials (shrinkage e warpage, No-Flow Temperature, polymeric composites)*

The aforementioned activity, pursued in the framework of several research project, is documented by more than *70 publications* on international ISI journals, by *4 patents*, by more than *100 extended abstracts* of international conferences, by seminars given in various international scientific institutions and Congress keynote presentations.

Peer-reviewer of several scientific journals (Journal of Polymer Science, Journal of Applied Polymer Science, Polymer, Polymer International, International Journal of Heat and Mass Transfer, Heat and Mass Transfer, Polymer Engineering and Science, Macromolecular Materials and Engineering, Polymer Bulletin, Materials Letters, etc.)