

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## Professional experience

<b>Junior Professor</b> <b>Institut de Science et d'Ingénierie Supramoléculaires (ISIS)</b> <b>Université de Strasbourg and CNRS, France</b> Principal investigator of the Laboratory of Driven Chemical Processes	<i>April 2021 (expected) -</i>
<b>Research fellow (RTDA) in chemistry</b> <b>University of Trieste, Italy</b> Mentor: Prof. M. Prato Research topic: carbon nanodots and non-equilibrium systems. I have contributed to deepen the structural characterization of carbon dots and expanded the potential of chiral carbon dots. See e.g. publication #28 I have also been involved in the management of the group, including grant preparation. In 2020 Prof. Prato and his team were awarded the ERC Advanced grant with the project e-DOTS.	<i>November 2018 - March 2021 (expected)</i>

<b>Postdoctoral researcher</b> <b>University of Padova, Italy</b> Supervisor: Prof. L. J. Prins Research topic: non-equilibrium self-assembly. I have contributed to introduce the concept of molecular ratchets in the field of non-equilibrium self-assembly. See publication #23	<i>January 2017, June 2018</i>
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## Education

<b>PhD Student in Chemistry</b> <b>University of Bologna, Italy</b> Supervisor: Prof. A. Credi Research topic: molecular devices and machines. I have contributed to the development of the first autonomous self-assembling artificial molecular machine, a light-driven molecular pump. See publication #4	<i>January 2014, December 2016</i> <i>defended May 2017</i>
<b>Master degree in Photochemistry and Molecular Materials</b> <b>University of Bologna, Italy</b> 110/110 cum Laude	<i>October 2011, October 2013</i>

<b>Bachelor degree in Chemistry</b> <b>University of Trieste, Italy</b> 110/110 cum Laude	<i>October 2008, July 2011</i>
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<b>High school diploma</b> <b>Liceo Scientifico "J. da Ponte", Italy</b> 100/100	<i>September 2003, July 2008</i>
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## Publications

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I am author of 29 peer-reviewed publications, also in renowned journals like Nature Nanotechnology (2), Angewandte Chemie (5), Chem (2) and PNAS (1). The publications that I co-authored received collectively more than 700 citations (Google Scholar).

29. "Optical processes in carbon nanocolloids"  
**G. Ragazzon**,\* A. Cadrelan, E. V. Ushakova, Y. Wang, D. M. Guldi,\* A. L. Rogach,\* N. A. Kotov,\* M. Prato\* *Chem*, **2020**, in press, DOI:10.1016/j.chempr.2020.11.012.
28. "Mapping the Surface Groups of Amine-Rich Carbon Dots Enables Covalent Catalysis in Aqueous Media"  
G. Filippini,\* F. Amato, C. Rosso, **G. Ragazzon**,\* A. Vega-Peña, X. Companyó,\* L. Dell'Amico, M. Bonchio, M. Prato\* *Chem*, **2020**, 6, 3022 - 3037.
27. "Disulfide-linked allosteric modulators for multi-cycle kinetic control of DNA-based nanodevices"  
E. Del Grosso, I. Ponzo, **G. Ragazzon**, L. J. Prins, F. Ricci *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2020**, 59, 21058 - 21063.
26. "Individual-molecule perspective analysis of chemical reaction networks: the case of a light-driven supramolecular pump"  
A. Sabatino, E. Penocchio, **G. Ragazzon**, A. Credi, D. Frezzato *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2019**, 58, 14341 - 14348.
25. "Fuel-responsive allosteric DNA-based aptamers for the transient release of ATP and cocaine"  
E. Del Grosso, **G. Ragazzon**, L. J. Prins, F. Ricci *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2019**, 58, 5582 - 5586. Journal back cover.
24. "Substrate-induced self-assembly of cooperative catalysts"  
P. Solís Muñana<sup>†</sup>, **G. Ragazzon**<sup>†</sup>, J. Dupont, C. Z-J. Ren, L. J. Prins, J. L.-Y. Chen *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2018**, 57, 16469 - 16474.
23. "Energy consumption in chemical-fuel driven self-assembly"  
**G. Ragazzon**, L. J. Prins. *Nat. Nanotechnol.*, **2018**, 13, 882 - 889.
22. "Redox-Switchable Calix [6] arene-Based Isomeric Rotaxanes"  
V. Zanichelli, M. Bazzoni, A. Arduini, P. Franchi, M. Lucarini, **G. Ragazzon**<sup>\*</sup>, A. Secchi\*, S. Silvi\*, *Chem. Eur. J.*, **2018**, 24, 12370-12382. Special issue: young chemist's.
21. "Pt<sup>0</sup><sub>2</sub> clusters within a MOF catalyse low-temperature cyanide production, CO<sub>2</sub> methanation and alkene hydrogenation"  
M. Mon, M. A. Rivero-Crespo, J. Ferrando-Soria, A. Vidal-Moya, A. Leyva-Pérez, A. Corma, J. C. Hernández-Garrido, M. López-Haro J. J. Calvino, **G. Ragazzon**, A. Credi, D. Armentano, E. Pardo *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2018**, 57, 6186 - 6191.
20. "Dissipative synthetic DNA-based receptors for the transient load and release of molecular cargo"  
E. Del Grosso, A. Amadio, **G. Ragazzon**, L. J. Prins, F. Ricci *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, **2018**, 57, 10489 - 10493. Journal back cover.
19. "Remote electrochemical modulation of pK<sub>a</sub> in a rotaxane by co-conformational allostery"  
**G. Ragazzon**, C. Schäfer, P. Franchi, S. Silvi, B. Colasson, M. Lucarini, A. Credi, *Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. U.S.A.*, **2018**, 115, 9385 - 9390.
18. "Electrochemically Triggered Co-Conformational Switching in a [2] catenane Comprising a Non-Symmetric Calix [6] arene Wheel and a Two-Station Oriented Macrocycle"  
V. Zanichelli, L. Dallacasagrande, A. Arduini, A. Secchi, **G. Ragazzon**, S. Silvi, A. Credi, *Molecules*, **2018**, 23, 1156.

17. "Efficient supramolecularly-assisted synthesis of calix[6]arene-based oriented pseudorotaxanes and rotaxanes"  
G. Orlandini, **G. Ragazzon**, V. Zanichelli, A. Secchi, S. Silvi, M. Venturi, A. Arduini, A. Credi, *Org. Biomol. Chem.*, **2017**, 15, 6753.
16. "Electrochemically controlled supramolecular switches and machines"  
**G. Ragazzon**, M. Baroncini, P. Ceroni, A. Credi, M. Venturi in "Comprehensive Supramolecular Chemistry II", J. Atwood, G. Gokel (Eds.), Elsevier, Oxford, Vol. 2, pp 343 - 368.
15. "Covalent capture of oriented calix[6]arene rotaxanes by a metal-free active template approach"  
G. Orlandini, **G. Ragazzon**, V. Zanichelli, A. Secchi, S. Silvi, M. Venturi, A. Arduini, A. Credi, *ChemComm*, **2017**, 53, 6172.
14. "Thermodynamic insights on a bistable acid-base switchable molecular shuttle with strongly shifted co-conformational equilibria"  
**G. Ragazzon**, A. Credi, B. Colasson, *Chem. Eur. J.*, **2017**, 23, 2149 - 2156.
13. "Plugging a bipyridinium axle into multichromophoric calix[6]arene wheels bearing naphthyl units at different rims"  
G. Orlandini, **G. Ragazzon**, V. Zanichelli, L. Degli Esposti, M. Baroncini, S. Silvi, M. Venturi, A. Credi, A. Secchi, A. Arduini, *ChemistryOpen*, **2017**, 6, 1, 64 - 72.
12. "Azobenzene photoisomerization: an old reaction for activating new molecular devices and materials"  
M. Baroncini, **G. Ragazzon**, S. Silvi, M. Venturi, A. Credi, in *Photochemistry: Volume 44*, **2016**, A. Albini, E. Fasani (Eds.), RSC Press, Cambridge, pp. 296-323.
11. "Light-driven molecular machines based on Ruthenium polypyridine complexes: strategies and recent advances"  
B. Colasson, A. Credi, **G. Ragazzon**, *Coord. Chem. Rev.*, **2016**, 325, 125 - 134.
10. "Structural changes of a doubly spin-labelled chemically driven molecular shuttle probed by PELDOR spectroscopy"  
P. Franchi, V. Bleve, E. Mezzanina, C. Schäfer, **G. Ragazzon**, M. Albertini, D. Carbonera, A. Credi, M. Di Valentin, M. Lucarini, *Chem. Eur. J.*, **2016**, 22, 8745 - 8750. Journal inside back cover.
9. "Synthesis and characterization of constitutionally isomeric oriented calix[6]arene-based rotaxanes"  
V. Zanichelli, **G. Ragazzon**, A. Arduini, A. Credi, P. Franchi, G. Orlandini, M. Venturi, M. Lucarini, A. Secchi, S. Silvi, *Eur. J. Org. Chem.*, **2016**, 1033 - 1042.
8. "An artificial molecular transporter"  
C. Schäfer, **G. Ragazzon**, B. Colasson, M. La Rosa, S. Silvi, A. Credi, *ChemistryOpen*, **2016**, 5, 2, 120 - 124.
7. "Synthesis by ring closing metathesis and properties of an electroactive calix[6]arene [2]catenane"  
G. Orlandini, V. Zanichelli, A. Secchi, A. Arduini, **G. Ragazzon**, A. Credi, M. Venturi, S. Silvi, *Supramol. Chem.*, **2016**, 28, 427 - 435.
6. "Light powered artificial molecular pumps: a minimal approach"  
**G. Ragazzon**, M. Baroncini, S. Silvi, M. Venturi, A. Credi, *Beilstein J. Nanotechnol.*, **2015**, 6, 2096 - 2104.
5. "The ethernal youth of azobenzene: new photoactive molecular and supramolecular devices"  
M. Baroncini, **G. Ragazzon**, S. Silvi, M. Venturi, A. Credi, *Pure Appl. Chem.*, **2015**, 87, 6, 537 - 545.

4. "Light-powered autonomous and directional molecular motion of a dissipative self-assembling system"  
**G. Ragazzon**, M. Baroncini, S. Silvi, A. Credi, *Nat. Nanotechnol.*, **2015**, 10, 70 - 75. Personally designed journal cover. Highlights: E. Sevick, *Nat. Nanotechnol.*, **2015**, 10, 18 - 19; O. Graydon, *Nat. Photon.*, **2015**, 9, 13.
3. "Photochemically controlled molecular machines with sequential logic operation"  
T. Avellini, M. Baroncini, **G. Ragazzon**, S. Silvi, M. Venturi, A. Credi, *Isr. J. Chem.*, **2014**, 54, 553 - 567.
2. "Ruthenium(II) Complexes Based on Tridentate Polypyridine Ligands that Feature Long-lived Room-Temperature Luminescence"  
**G. Ragazzon**, P. Verwilst, S. A. Denisov, A. Credi, G. Jonusauskas, N. D. McClenaghan, *ChemComm*, **2013**, 49, 9110 - 9112.
1. "Design of photoactivable metallodrugs: selective and rapid light-induced ligand dissociation from half-sandwich  $[\text{Ru}(9\text{-aneS}_3(\text{N-N}'))(\text{py})]^{2+}$  complexes"  
**G. Ragazzon**, I. Bratsos, E. Alessio, L. Salassa, A. Habtemariam, R. J. McQuitty, G. J. Clarkson, P. J. Sadler, *Inorg. Chim. Acta*, **2012**, 393 - Special Issue: Metals in Medicine, 230 - 238.

<sup>+</sup> equal contribution

<sup>\*</sup> corresponding author

## Divulgative articles

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3. "Molecole a senso unico", (One way molecules - in italian)  
G. Ragazzon. Independent contribution to "European Young Chemist Award: premiata la Chimica Italiana"  
M. Pavone, G. Ragazzon, D. Leonori, F. Monti, F. Bella *La Chimica e l'Industria WEB*, **2016**, 3, 8 - 13.
2. "Pompe molecolari azionate dalla luce" (Light-driven molecular pumps - in italiano)  
G. Ragazzon, M. Baroncini, S. Silvi, M. Venturi, A. Credi, *La Chimica e l'Industria*, **2015**, 97, 35 - 39.
1. "Molecole in azione" (Molecules in action - in italiano)  
G. Ragazzon, *Sapere*, **2015**, 2, 45.

## Research stays

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### **Prof. T. Aida**

*August 2015, February 2016*

The University of Tokyo/Riken Center, Wako, Japan  
Research topic: radical-based supramolecular polymers

### **Dr. N. D. McClenaghan**

*August 2013, December 2013*

Institute des Sciences Moléculaires UMR 5255 CNRS/Université Bordeaux I, France  
Research topic: photoactive metal complexes (publication #2)

### **Prof. P. J. Sadler**

*February 2011, June 2011*

Warwick University, UK  
Research topic: metal complexes with potential anticancer activity (publication #1)

## Awards & scholarships

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### *International:*

**European Young Chemist Award - PhD Level, gold medal** September 2016

The European Young Chemist Award is the most important european recognition in chemistry at the PhD level.

### *National:*

**Junior prize “Organic chemistry for the environment, energy and nanoscience” - Italian Chemical Society** (based on post-doctoral work) September 2019

**Best PhD thesis in photochemistry 2017 - Italian Group of Photochemistry** September 2017

**Best PhD thesis in inorganic chemistry 2017 - Italian Chemical Society** June 2017

**Levi prize 2016 - mention** April 2017

Levi Prize recognizes an outstanding contribution (publication #4) from a young member of the Italian Chemical Society.

**NEST prize 2014 for research in nanoscience** November 2015

NEST prize is awarded to the first author of the best italian paper of the year in experimental nanoscience (publication #4).

### *Scholarships:*

**Collegio Superiore Student** September 2011, June 2014  
**Università di Bologna, Italy**

Collegio Superiore is the Excellence Institution of Bologna University: only about one student every thousand belongs to this Institution (for more information please visit [www.collegio.unibo.it](http://www.collegio.unibo.it)).

**Collegio Univeritario per le Scienze “Luciano Fonda” Student** September 2008, July 2011  
**Università degli Studi di Trieste, Italy**  
A merit-based scholarship (for more information please visit [www.collegiofonda.it](http://www.collegiofonda.it))

## Invited presentations at Institutes

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6. “Non-equilibrium motion and assembly at the nanoscale”, ISIS, Strasbourg, 12 October 2020
5. “A chemical view on artificial energy transduction”, University of Luxembourg (host: Prof. Esposito), Luxembourg, 23 September 2019
4. “The common origin of nonequilibrium motion and assembly”, ISIS (host: Prof. Hermans), Strasbourg, 20 September 2019
3. “Molecular machines at equilibrium and away from it”, University of Trieste, Trieste, 18 December 2017
2. “Energy landscape of molecular machines”, Université de Lorraine - CNRS, Nancy, 3 November 2016
1. “Energy landscape of supramolecular systems”, ISOF-CNR, Bologna, 16 June 2016

## **Invited presentations**

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6. 49<sup>th</sup> National Congress of the Organic Chemistry Division of the Italian Chemical Society, 8 - 12 September 2019, Torino, Italy  
Oral presentation (**keynote**)
5. “Self-assembly away from equilibrium”, Modena Award, 3 May 2019, Padova, Italy  
Invited talk
4. 46<sup>th</sup> National Congress of Inorganic Chemistry, 10 - 13 September 2018, Bologna, Italy  
Oral presentation (**keynote**)
3. Italian Photochemistry Meeting 2017, 14 - 16 December 2017, Perugia, Italy  
Oral presentation (**keynote**)
2. CV clinic Day 2017, 10 April 2017, Bologna, Italy  
Levi Prize mention recipient talk (**keynote**)
1. NanotechItaly, November 25 - 28, 2015, Bologna, Italy  
NEST prize recipient talk (**keynote**)

## **Participation to conferences, schools & workshops - excluded keynote lectures**

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Besides invited presentations, I participated to 16 meetings, presenting 9 contributed talks and 6 posters (3 poster prizes awarded, on 3 different topics).

16. Colloquium: “Machine learning meets chemistry”, February 17 - 18, 2020, Turin, Italy
15. Workshop on Low-Dimensional Materials, July 22-23, 2019, San Sebastian, Spain  
Oral presentation
14. Perspectives in Supramolecular Chemistry, July 15, 2019, Padova, Italy  
Oral presentation
13. European Winter School of Physical Organic Chemistry, January 27 - February 1, 2019, Bressanone, Italy  
Poster presented, **poster prize winner**
12. 12<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Supramolecular and Macroyclic Chemistry ISMSC 2017, July 2 - 6, 2017, Cambridge, UK  
Poster presentation
11. Supramol2017, 18 - 21 June 2017, Santa Margherita di Pula, Italy  
Oral presentation
10. 12<sup>th</sup> EChems Meeting, 6 - 9 June 2017, Milano Marittima, Italy  
Oral presentation
9. Joint Congress of the French and Italian Photochemists and Photobiologists, November 19 - 22, 2016, Bari, Italy  
Oral presentation
8. 6<sup>th</sup> EuCheMS Chemistry Congress, 11 - 15 September 2016, Seville, Spain  
Oral presentation and European Young Chemist finalist talk
7. 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Molecular Sensors and Molecular Logic Gates MSMLG 2016, 24 - 28 July, 2016, Bath, UK  
Poster presented, **poster prize winner**

6. CEMSupra 2016, January 13 - 14, 2016, Tokyo, Japan  
Poster presented
5. 10<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Supramolecular and Macrocyclic Chemistry ISMSC 2015, June 28 - July 2, 2015, Strasbourg, France  
Oral presentation
4. Italian Photochemistry Meeting, November 27 - 29, 2014, Besate, Italy  
Oral presentation
3. TSRC Workshop “Molecular Rotors, Motors and Switches”, June 30 - July 4, 2014, Telluride (CO), USA  
Poster presented
2. European Winter School of Physical Organic Chemistry, February 2 - 7, 2014, Bressanone, Italy  
Poster presented, **poster prize winner**
1. VI Corso Nazionale di Introduzione alla Fotochimica (VI national introductory course to photochemistry), June 3 - 6, 2013, Bologna, Italy

## **Reviewer activity**

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I served as a reviewer for ACS Applied Polymer Materials, ACS Nano, Nature Communications, Chemical Communications and Photochemical and Photobiological Sciences.

I served as a young reviewer (supervised) for ACS Nano, Advanced Functional Materials, Advanced Materials, Angewandte Chemie, Chemical Science, Chemical Society Reviews, JACS, Nanoscale, Nature Communications, Nature Nanotechnology, Materials Today.

## **Teaching activities**

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### **Appointed teacher:**

Organic Chemistry II - Laboratory course. Undergraduate degree in Science and technology for environment and nature (2<sup>nd</sup> year undergraduate students). University of Trieste AY 2018/2019, 2019/2020 and 2020/2021, 36 hours, ca. 40 students

### **Tutor:**

Organic Chemistry I - exercises. Undergraduate degree in Chemistry (1<sup>st</sup> year undergraduate students). University of Trieste AY 2018/2019 and 2020/2021, 12 hours, ca. 30 students

Laboratory assistant for the 3<sup>rd</sup> organic chemistry lab in the chemistry undergraduate degree (3<sup>rd</sup> year undergraduate students), Padova University, AY 2016/2017 and 2017/2018, for a total of 83 hours)

Laboratory assistant for the general chemistry lab in the chemistry undergraduate degree (1<sup>st</sup> year undergraduate students), Bologna University, AY 2014/2015 and 2015/2016, for a total of 93 hours)

Laboratory assistant for the ecology and chemistry course (teaching of chemistry) in the education science course (4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> year undergraduates, 16 hours), Bologna University, AY 2014/2015

## **Language skills**

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Italian    mother tongue  
English    fluent

## **Other interests**

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In addition to my scientific duties I also enjoy science divulgation (see e. g. [www.esperluette-research-outreach.com](http://www.esperluette-research-outreach.com)) and took part in a few science festivals and divulgative conferences.