# **ERIKA MAGHRABY**

# **EDUCATION**

#### PhD | Università degli Studi di Pavia | 2021 – In progress

- Course name: Genetics, Molecular and Cellular Biology
- Thesis Title: "Study of etiopathogenetic mechanism and development of advanced experimental models for leukodystrophies"
- Supervisor: Professor Cristina Cereda
- Tutors: Professor Elena Botta, Doctor Donata Orioli

#### Master's Degree | Università degli studi di Milano | 2018 - 2021

- Course name: Pharmaceutical Biotechnology Department of PharmaceuticalSciences
- Thesis Title: "Long non-coding RNAs as new potential targets in Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis: characterization of ZEB1-AS1 in different in vitro experimental models"
- Internship at "Pediatric Clinical Research Center Romeo and Enrica Invernizzi" University of Milan

#### Bachelor's Degree | Università degli studi di Milano | 2014 - 2018

- Course name: Herbal Sciences and Technologies Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Thesis title: "Fingerprinting HPLC-UV/DAD and microscopic analysis (SEM-TEM) of seeds derived from Nigella sativa e Nigella damascena"
- Erasmus + traineeship at Vest Vasile Goldis University of Arad, Romania Institute of Life Science
- Internship at Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences University of Milan

#### High School | I.T.S.O.S "Marie Curie", Cernusco Sul Naviglio (MI) | 2009 - 2014

- Course name: Biology and chemistry laboratory technician
- Internship at "Istituto Delle Vitamine S.P.A." Segrate 20090 (MI) ITALY
- Internship at "Irish Blood Transfusion Service" Cork, IRELAND



### WORK EXPERIENCES

# Master's Degree Internship | Pediatric Clinical Research Center, Milan

#### July 2020 – June 2021

Research in the field of neurodegenerative disorders, epigenetics and obesity with a particular focus on the role of long non-coding RNAs in pathogenesis of human diseases.

#### Bachelor's Degree Internship | Institute of Life science, Arad & Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Milan

#### April 2017 – July 2018

Electron Microscopy, HPLC and Mass Spectrometry analysis of plant-derived samples.

### High School Internships | Istituto delle Vitamine, Segrate Italy & Irish Blood Transfusion Service, Cork Ireland

#### April 2013 – October 2013

Research in the field of blood disorders in blood cells derived from patients with iron deficiency with particular focus on formulation of new vitamin-derived drugs.



## SKILLS

- Use of SEM (Scanning Electron Microscope) and TEM (Transmission Electron Microscope) and relative softwares.
- Sample preparation for SEM and TEM according to protocols, using ultramicrotomefor the sectioning of the samples and Manual Agar sputter coater.
- Using of HPLC and HPLC-MS for sample purification and analysis
- Molecular biology techniques (RNA and DNA purification, qPCR, Real-Time PCR, ddPCR, Viability Assays (Live&Dead, MTT), Western blot, Immunofluorescence, CRISPR-cas9 and RNA pulldown).
- Cell biology techniques (Cell culture, Transfection of SH-SY5Y cells, RNA interference, isolation of PBMCs form peripheral blood and buffy coats)
- Computer skills: ability to use Biorender ; ability to collect, analyze and present data with Office package (Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Access).

# CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCIENCE

- RNA-seq characterization of sex-differences in adipose tissue of obesity affected patients: computational analysis of differentially expressed coding and non-coding RNAs.
  Rey F, Messa L, Pandini C, Maghraby E, Barzaghini B, Garofalo M, Micheletto G, Raimondi MT, Bertoli S, Cereda C, Zuccotti GV, Cancello R, Carelli S. JPM, MDPI, April 2021, 10.3390/jpm11050352.
- Oxygen sensing in neurodegenerative diseases: current mechanisms, implication of transcriptional response and pharmacological modulation.
  - Rey F, Messa L, Maghraby E et al. In review for "Antioxidants and Redox Signalling".
- Role of IncRNAs molecules in adipogenic differentiation: focus on four sense/antisense pairs Rey F, Messa L, Maghraby E, Launi R, Barzaghini B, Colli M, Raimondi MTR, Zuccotti GV, Carelli S. In preparation.

Rey F, Messa L, Pandini C, **Maghraby E**, Barzaghini B, Garofalo M, Micheletto G, Raimondi MT, Bertoli S, Cereda C, Zuccotti GV, Cancello R, Carelli S. JPM, MDPI, April 2021, 10.3390/jpm11050352.

Implications for the IncRNA ZEB1-AS1 in sporadic ALS: deregulation in neuronal differentiation and characterization of a novel disease pathway.
Rey F, Pandini C, Barzaghini B, Maghraby E et al. In preparation.

# ABSTRACTS

- Study of the oncogenic IncRNA ZEB1-AS1 in sporadic ALS: implication for neuronal differentiation and identification of a novel disease pathway.
  Rey F, Pandini C, Maghraby E, Gagliardi S, Zuccotti GV, Cereda C, Carelli S, 3rd BraYn, Virtual Congress, 25-26 November 2020.
- Role of the IncRNA ZEB1-AS1 in sporadic ALS: deregulation in neuronal differentiation and characterization of a novel disease pathway.
  Rey F, Pandini C, Maghraby E, Barzaghini B, Bordoni M, Raimondi M, Pansarasa O, Gagliardi S, Cereda C, Zuccotti V, Carelli S. ENCALS - European network to cure ALS, VirtualCongress, 12-14 May 2021.

# LANGUAGES

Mother tongue Italian

|         | UNDERSTANDING |         | SPEAKING              |                      | WRITING |
|---------|---------------|---------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------|
|         | Listening     | Reading | Spoken<br>interaction | Spoken<br>production |         |
| English | C1            | B2      | B2                    | B2                   | B2      |
| French  | B1            | B1      | B1                    | B1                   | B1      |