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Graduated in February 1990 at the Florence University in Agricultural Science, working on drought stress in higher plants. From the 1989 to the 1990 he worked with an Erasmus-EU fellowship at the Max-Planck-Institut für Züchtungsforschung, Köln on isolation of barley genes responsive to drought and cold stress. From 1991 to 1995 he worked as PhD student at the Max-Planck-Institut für Züchtungsforschung, Köln, working group of Prof. Dr. D. Bartels, on drought stress in resurrection plants.

He has spent other 4 years in Germany working for a first post-Doctoral position at the University of Tübingen, Lehrstuhl für Allgemeine Genetik, Prof. Dr. V. Hemleben, (1995-97) on gene transcriptional regulation in potato and tomato polymerase I system. A second post-Doctoral experience was focused on maize genomics at the Max-Planck-Institut für Züchtungsforschung, Köln, department of Prof. Dr. F. Salamini (1997-99). Since 1999 he has a permanent position as research fellow at the Foundation E. Mach/Istituto Agrario of S. Michele all'Adige, S. Michele (TN) Italy, leading the Genome Projects „Advanced Biology“ in Grape and Apple. Coordinator of the two whole genome sequencing of grapevine and apple, he becomes the head of the department of Genetics and Biology of Fruit Crops at IASMA the 1st of September 2005. Since the 1st of April of 2008 he is I level research fellow (Senior management), Head of the Area Genomics and Crop Biology.

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