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## OVERVIEW

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Physicist, expert of scattering techniques for soft matter sciences and molecular biophysics. The main topics of my research activity are in the physics of soft matter and bio-systems. My research activity is focused on the study of structure and dynamics of bio-based and soft matter systems. My work is mostly based on the use of scattering techniques (of neutrons, X-rays and visible light) at large-scale facilities. During the early stage of his career, he studied the formation, the structure and the dynamic of lipid-saccharide nanoparticles and hydrogels designed for drug delivery applications. Later, I have contributed to scientific developments in the fields of bio-membranes and their interaction with particular emphasis on the investigation of structural rearrangements in lipid-based systems. In 2021, my work on lipid flip-flop featured in the Soft Matter Emerging Investigators Issue of the Soft Matter Journal (Royal Society of Chemistry). Throughout my research activity, I have often privileged interdisciplinary and international collaborations, as documented by my list of collaborators, which has allowed me to publish in high impact journals and to secure fundings and access to large-scale facilities.

## WORK EXPERIENCES

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<b>Researcher, <i>tenured</i></b> <i>Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche, Institute for Complex Systems Sapienza University of Rome, Italy</i>	2023–now
<b>Assistant Professor</b> <i>Università Politecnica delle Marche Department of Life and Environmental Sciences, Italy</i>	2020–2023
<b>Scientist, <i>tenured</i></b> <i>Coordinator of the <a href="#">Partnership for Soft Condensed Matter</a> Institut Laue-Langevin, Grenoble, France</i>	2014–2020
<b>Postdoctoral fellow</b> <i>Institut Laue-Langevin, Grenoble, France</i>	2011–2013
<b>Postdoctoral Fellow</b> <i>Università degli Studi di Parma, Italy</i>	2010

## EDUCATION

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<b>PhD in Physics</b> <i>Università degli Studi di Parma, Italy</i> “Structure and dynamics of lipid-saccharide complexes” Thesis advisor: Prof. A. Deriu	2007–2009
<b>Master degree in Condensed Matter Physics</b> <i>Università degli Studi di Parma, Italy</i>	2004–2006

110/110 Cum Laude. Academic advisor: Prof. A. Deriu

### **Bachelor degree in Physics**

2001–2004

*Università degli Studi di Parma, Italy*

110/110. Academic advisors: Dr. C. Mondelli and Prof. A. Deriu

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

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- Habilitation to Full Professorship in Italian Universities in section 03/A2 – *Physical Chemistry - Models and methods for chemistry* (valid from 05/06/2023 to 05/06/2034)  
Evaluation available: 
- Habilitation to Full Professorship in Italian Universities in section 02/D1 – *Applied physics* (valid from 04/06/2021 to 04/06/2032)  
Evaluation available: 
- Habilitation to function as research director (HDR - Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches) – (obtained the 22 October 2018 at Université Grenoble-Alpes, Doctoral School in Physics, Grenoble, France)
- Qualified to function as Associate Professor in Italian Universities in section 02/B1 – *Experimental physics of matter* (valid from 30/03/2018 to 30/03/2029)  
Evaluation available: 

## **RESEARCH FUNDING AND COMPETITIVE AWARDS**

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- Fondo Solidarietà Scientifica - UNIVPM , “Purchase and commissioning of a QCM-D apparatus for the investigation of solid-supported lipid layers”, 8 k€ (PI, 2020-2021).
- Röntgen-Ångström cluster, “A planar three phase interaction apparatus for Neutron Reflectometry”, 900 k€ (co-PI, 2016-2019).
- **> 80 days’ beamtime awarded** as PI to the Institut Laue-Langevin, the ISIS neutron source, the Paul-Scherrer Institute and the Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin, “”, total commercial value  $\sim$  600 k€ (Research Leader, 2008-now).

## **SYNERGISTIC ACTIVITIES**

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- **Member of the Central Selection Panel** for the COFUND project PRISMAS at the Max IV synchrotron (Lund, SE) (2023–now).
- **Member of the Proposal Review Panel** for the Deuteration and Macromolecular Crystallisation platform (DEMAX) at the European Spallation Source (ESS) (2022–now).
- **Referee** for more than 20 peer-reviewed journals.
- **Consulting expert** for the soft matter panel at the Institut Laue-Langevin (2019 – 2020).
- **Executive board member** of the UK Neutron Scattering Group - Institute of Physics (2018 – 2020).
- **College Secretary** (soft matter) at the Institut Laue-Langevin (2015 – 2017).
- **Executive board Secretary** of the Italian Neutron Scattering Society (SISN) (2014 – 2016).

## ORGANIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

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- Proposed and chaired BILL 2019, [Bilayers at the ILL](#), 11–13 December 2019, Grenoble.
- Organiser for the [Interfaces workshop](#), 10–12 October 2018, Grenoble.
- Proposed and chaired RheoSAS2016, [In-situ rheology for neutron and X-ray scattering techniques](#).
- Proposed and chaired LiQ2015, [Current Frontiers in Liquid-Liquid interfaces](#).
- Other events organization: organisers for 5 national and international workshop and events.

## SKILLS

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- Computer skills: Fortran, C++, Matlab, Visual Basic, Matlab, OriginPro, Igor.
- Language skills: **Italian** (Mother Tongue), **English** (Fluent spoken and written), **French** (Fluent spoken, fluent reading, basic written)

## THESES SUPERVISED

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1. *Amanda Eriksson Skog* – PhD in chemistry 2020-now “*Lund University*”
2. *Moritz Frewein* – PhD in physics 2018-2020 “Coupling of Leaflet Structure and Collective Fluctuations in Asymmetric Lipid Vesicles” *ILL & University of Graz*
3. *Tetiana Mukhina* – PhD in physics 2016-2019 “Out-of-equilibrium fluctuations in active membranes” *ILL & University of Strasbourg*
4. *Olivia Pabois* – PhD in food science 2016-2019 “Understanding the interfacial behaviour of bile salts to better engineer lipid emulsions” *ILL & King’s College London*
5. *Michal Belička* – PhD in pharmaceutical sciences 2012-2013 “Neutrons in studies of phospholipid bilayers and bilayer–drug interaction” *ILL & Comenius University, Bratislava*

Supervisor for more than 10 master students since 2010.

## TEACHING

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@ *Marche Polytechnic University*

- 2022-2023: **C/C++ programming**  
24 hours/year of frontal lectures for the master’s degree in Applied Molecular Biology.
- 2022: **General Physics**  
48 hours/year of frontal lectures and tutorials for the undergraduate degree in Environmental Sciences and Civil Protection.
- 2020-2022: **General Physics**  
56 hours/year of frontal lectures and tutorials for the Undergraduate Degree in Forest and Environmental Sciences.
- 2021-2022: **Dynamic light scattering: theory and applications**  
8 hours of frontal lectures and tutorials for the PhD course in Life Sciences.

- 2021: **Structural dynamics in biological systems**  
8 hours/year of frontal lectures for the PhD course in Life Sciences.

@ *International Schools:*

- 2022: **3rd International Summer School on Microgels**  
Microgels at liquid interfaces: what can neutron reflectometry tell us?
- 2014–2017, 2022: **Giornate Didattiche SISN**  
A brief introduction to Specular Neutron Reflectometry
- 2017 – now: **HERCULES**  
X-Ray and neutron reflectivity in biophysics

@ *University of Naples, Physical Chemistry Dept.:*

- Autumn 15: **Small angle scattering and neutron reflectometry**  
10 hours frontal lectures for the PhD course in Physical Chemistry and Engineering.

## **PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PAPERS**

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**h-index 19, 925 citations (source: Scopus, May 2023)** [[Scopus](#)][[Publons](#)][[Google Scholar](#)]  
Publications for which I am corresponding author are marked with \*.

- 53.\* A.E. Skog, G. Corucci, M.D. Tully, G. Fragneto, Y. Gerelli and M. Skepö – *Interaction of a histidine-rich antimicrobial saliva peptide with model cell membranes: the role of histidines* – *Langmuir*, **2023**, –, –, DOI: [10.1021/acs.langmuir.3c00498](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.langmuir.3c00498)
52. M.P.K. Frewein, P. Piller, E.F. Semeraro, O. Czakkel, Y. Gerelli, L. Porcar, and G. Pabst – *Distributing Aminophospholipids Asymmetrically Across Leaflets Causes Anomalous Membrane Stiffening* – *Biophys. J.*, **2023**, –, –, DOI: [10.1016/j.bpj.2023.04.025](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bpj.2023.04.025)
51. Y. Correa, S. Waldie, M. Thépaut, S. Micciulla, Y. Gerelli, M. Moulin, F. Fieschi, R. Del Giudice, H. Pichler, V. T. Forsyth, M. Haertlein, A. Le Brun, T. Darwish, J. Brinck, T. Wodaje, M. Jansen, C. Martín, F. Roosen-Runge and M. Cárdenas – *HDL function is modulated by the SARS-CoV-2 Spike protein and this depends on the type of lipids present* – *J. Colloid Interface Sci.*, **2023**, 645, 627–638, DOI: [10.1016/j.jcis.2023.04.137](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcis.2023.04.137)
- 50.\* A. Armanious, Y. Gerelli, S. Micciulla, H. Pace, R. Welbourn, M. Sjöberg, B. Agnarsson and F. Höök – *Probing the Separation Distance between Biological Nanoparticles and Cell Membranes Mimics Using Neutron Reflectometry with Sub-Nanometer Accuracy* – *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **2022**, 144, 20726–20738, DOI: [10.1021/jacs.2c08456](https://doi.org/10.1021/jacs.2c08456)
49. M.P.K. Frewein, P. Piller, E. F. Semeraro, K. Batchu, F.A. Heberle, H.L. Scott, Y. Gerelli, L. Porcar and G. Pabst – *Interdigitation-induced Order and Disorder in Asymmetric Membranes* – *J. Membrane Biol.*, **2022**, 255, 407–421, DOI: [10.1007/s00232-022-00234-0](https://doi.org/10.1007/s00232-022-00234-0)
48. C. Minnelli, P. Moretti, E. Laudadio, Y. Gerelli, A. Pigozzo, T. Armeni, R. Galeazzi, P. Mariani, G. Mobbili – *Tuning Curvature and Phase Behavior of Monoolein Bilayers by Epigallocatechin-3-gallate: Structural Insight and Cytotoxicity* – *Colloids Surf B Biointerfaces*, **2022**, 209, 112171, DOI: [10.1016/j.colsurfb.2021.112171](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.colsurfb.2021.112171)
- 47.\* L. Tavagnacco, G. Corucci and Y. Gerelli – *Interaction of caffeine with model lipid membranes* – *J. Phys. Chem. B*, **2021**, 125, 10174–10181, DOI: [10.1021/acs.jpccb.1c04360](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpccb.1c04360)

46. L. Silvestrini, N. Belhaj, L. Comez, Y. Gerelli, A. Lauria, V. Libera, P. Mariani, P. Marzullo, M. G. Ortore, A. Palumbo Piccionello, C. Petrillo, L. Savini, A. Paciaroni, F. Spinozzi – *Dimer-monomer equilibrium of SARS-CoV-2 main protease as affected by small molecule inhibitors. A biophysical investigation* – **Sci. Rep.**, **2021**, 11, 9283, DOI: [10.1038/s41598-021-88630-9](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-021-88630-9)
- 45.\* T. Mukhina, Y. Gerelli, A. Hemmerle, A. Koutsioubas, J. Daillant, T. Charitat and G. Fragneto – *Insertion and activation of functional Bacteriorhodopsin in a floating bilayer* – **J. Colloid Interface Sci.**, **2021**, 597, 370–382, DOI: [10.1016/j.jcis.2021.03.155](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcis.2021.03.155)
44. S. Waldie, F. Sebastiani, M. Moulin, R. Del Giudice, N. Paracini, F. Roosen-Runge, Y. Gerelli, S. Prevost, J. C. Voss, T. A. Darwish, N. Yepuri, G. Strohmeier, H. Pichler, S. Maric, V. T. Forsyth, M. Haertlein and M. Cárdenas – *ApoE and ApoE nascent-like HDL particles at model cellular membranes: Effect of protein isoform and membrane composition* – **Front. Chem.**, **2021**, 9, 630152, DOI: [10.3389/fchem.2021.630152](https://doi.org/10.3389/fchem.2021.630152)
- 43.\* O. Pabois, R. M. Ziolk, C. D. Lorenz, S. Prévost, N. Mahmoudi, M. W. A. Skoda, R. J. L. Welbourn, M. Valero, R. D. Harvey, M. M.-L. Grundy, P. J. Wilde, I. Grillo, Y. Gerelli and C. A. Dreiss – *Morphology of bile salts micelles and mixed micelles with lipolysis products, from scattering techniques and atomistic simulations* – **J. Colloid Interface Sci.**, **2021**, 587, 522–537, DOI: [10.1016/j.jcis.2020.10.101](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcis.2020.10.101)
- 42.\*<sup>1</sup> Lionel Porcar and Y. Gerelli – *On the lipid flip-flop and phase transition coupling* – **Soft Matter**, **2020**, 16, 7696–7703, DOI: [10.1039/D0SM01161D](https://doi.org/10.1039/D0SM01161D)
- 41.\* Y. Gerelli – *Applications of neutron reflectometry in biology* – **EPJ Web of Conferences**, **2020**, 236, 04002, DOI: [10.1051/epjconf/202023604002](https://doi.org/10.1051/epjconf/202023604002)
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1. ECIS 2018 (*Keynote*), Ljubiana (SLO) 2–7 September 2018  
*Slow lipid flip-flop revealed by neutron scattering experiments*

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8. 17th Zsigmondy Colloquium 2022, Aachen (DE) 6–8 April 2022  
*Phase transition behaviour in planar lipid bilayers*
7. UK Neutrons and Muons Science and User Meeting 2019, Warwick (UK) 29 April 2019  
*Support Laboratories and Infrastructures at the ILL*
6. NNSP workshop on low-dimensional systems, Lillestrøm (NO) 14–15 May 2018  
*Structure and interactions of lipid membranes as seen by neutron reflectometry and diffraction*
5. UK Neutron and Muon Science and User Meeting, University of Warwick (UK) 27–29 June 2017  
*Slow lipid flip-flop revealed by Neutron Reflectometry*
4. SINE2020 Workshop of the Data Treatment Software workpackage, Grenoble (FR) 24–25 April 2017  
*Analysis for soft and bio-relevant thin films: needs and bottlenecks*
3. Nordic Workshop on Scattering from Soft & Biological Matter, Oslo (NO) 12–13 January 2017  
*Molecular transport in lipid membranes: lipid exchange and translocation processes investigated by neutron scattering*
2. Science Symposium on Advances in Sample Environment and Experimental Control, Lund (SE) 10–11 September 2015  
*The Partnership for Soft Condensed Matter in Grenoble: advanced support and complementary techniques for SAS experiments*
1. ILL-Luxembourg Workshop, University of Luxembourg (LU) 11 June 2014  
*Neutron scattering and model lipid membranes*

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25. Biophysics@Rome 2023, Rome (IT) 19–20 April 2023  
*Probing the separation distance between nanoparticles and cell membrane mimics with sub-nanometer accuracy*
24. Second DiSVA-MaSBiC Annual Symposium - Protein Structure and Function in Biology, Medicine and Nanotechnology, Ancona (IT) 13–14 October 2022  
*To understand the antimicrobial activity of the salivary protein Histatin 5*

23. Italian Soft Days 2020, ~~Bari (IT)~~ *online edition* 21–25 September 2020  
***On the lipid flip-flop and phase transition coupling***
22. 9th International Colloid Conference, Sitges (ES) 16–19 June 2019  
***Structural processes in supported lipid bilayers: from phase transitions to lipid flip-flop***
21. 5th International Conference on Soft Matter (ICSM2019), Edinburgh (UK) 3–7 June 2019  
***Phase transition behaviour in single solid-supported lipid bilayer***
20. Membranes Beyond, Hamilton (CA) 2–4 July 2018  
***Slow lipid flip-flop revealed by neutron reflectometry experiments***
19. FisMat Conference & SISN annual meeting, Trieste (IT) 1–6 October 2017  
***Slow lipid flip-flop revealed by neutron reflectometry***
18. SoftComp Annual Meeting, Venezia (IT) 29–31 May 2017  
***What's in your coffee? A supramolecular perspective***
17. Synchrotron and Neutron Scattering in Biomaterials and Soft Matter workshop, Malmö (SE) 26–28 October 2016  
***Molecular transport in lipid membranes investigated by neutron scattering***
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***Lipid exchange and translocation processes investigated by neutron reflectometry***
15. 16th International Conference on Organized Molecular Films (ICOMF16)–LB16, Helsinki (FI) 25–29 July 2016  
***Lipid exchange and translocation processes investigated by neutron reflectometry***
14. 6th European Neutron Scattering Conference, Zaragoza (ES) 31 August–4 September 2015  
***Molecular transport in lipid membranes: lipid exchange and translocation processes investigated by neutron reflectometry***
13. SoftComp Annual Meeting, Portonovo (IT) 8–11 June 2015  
***Neutron Reflectometry, a perfect tool to study soft interfaces: from membranes to liquid-liquid interfaces***
12. QENS/WINS 2014, Autrans (FR) 12–16 May 2014  
***Multi-scale investigation of dynamics in lipid-based systems***
11. Annual Meeting of the Italian Neutron Scattering Society, Milano (IT) 11–12 September 2013  
***Lipid rearrangement in supported bilayers: a neutron reflectometry study***
10. NMI3-II/FP7 Satellite Meeting: Advanced Neutron Tools for Soft and Biomaterials, Berlin (DE) 21 June 2013  
***ILL works towards biological relevant membranes: from synthetic to natural systems***
9. SoftComp Annual Meeting, Rimini (IT) 27–31 May 2013  
***Lipid rearrangement in supported bilayers: a neutron reflectometry study***
8. 245th ACS meeting, division of Physical Chemistry, New Orleans (US) 7–8 April 2013  
***Lipid rearrangement in supported bilayers: a neutron reflectometry study***
7. SoftComp Annual Meeting, Heraklion (GR) 28 May–2 June 2012  
***Lipid rearrangement in supported bilayers: a neutron reflectometry study***

6. GEMXV, Paris (FR) 2–4 April 2012  
*Lipid rearrangement in supported bilayers: a neutron reflectometry study*
5. BILL2011, Grenoble (FR) 12–14 January 2011  
*Conformational and segmental dynamics in liposomes*
4. Annual Meeting of the Italian Neutron Scattering Society, Rome (IT) 22–23 June 2010  
*Conformational and segmental dynamics in lipid-based systems*
3. Annual Meeting of the Italian Neutron Scattering Society, Sirolo (IT) 25–26 June 2009  
*Dynamics of lipid nanoparticles for drug delivery*
2. 9th Conference on Quasi Elastic Neutron Scattering, Villigen (CH) 10–13 February 2009  
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*Lipid/polysaccharide nanovectors for drug delivery*

## **SEMINARS AND COLLOQUIA**

Since 2010, I have given more than 20 seminars and colloquia on my research topics at research institutes and universities.