

# Luca Beltrame

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## Education

- 2005–2007 **Ph.D. in Molecular Medicine**, *University of Milano*, Milano, Italy.
- 1996–2002 **Master's degree in Pharmaceutical Biotechnology**, *University of Milano*, Milano, Italy, Evaluation: 103/110.
- 1995 **Maturità scientifica**, *Istituto Salesiano S.Ambrogio*, Milano, Italy, Final evaluation: 49/60.

## Ph.D. Thesis

- Title *Identification of deregulated metabolic pathways by transcriptomic analysis in renal cell carcinoma samples*
- Supervisor Dr.ssa Cristina Battaglia
- Description A bioinformatics approach based on pathway analysis is proposed in this work, in order to identify common deregulated pathways in samples from renal cell carcinoma samples.

## Master thesis

- Title *Study on the structure-function relationship of KAAT1, a Na<sup>+</sup>/K<sup>+</sup> dependent amino acid transporter*
- Supervisor Prof. Franca V. Sacchi
- Description A structure-function relationship study on the KAAT1 amino acid transporter from *Manduca sexta* using functional expression in *Xenopus laevis* oocytes.

## Attended courses

- March 2006 **6th Bioinformatics course**, *European School of Genetic Medicine*, Bertinoro di Romagna, Italy.
- June 2008 **NuGO Hands-on microarray data analysis course**, *University of Maastricht*, Maastricht, The Netherlands.

## Work experience

- March 2011–current **Bioinformatics work on microarray data for the Mario Negri Institute**, *Department of Oncology, Mario Negri Research Institute*, Milano, Italy.  
Research fellowship in Dr.Sergio Marchini's Translational Genomics unit to work on data analysis for microarray data and integration of heterogeneous data in the field of preclinical oncology.
- 2008–March 2011 **Bioinformatics work on microarray data for the University of Florence**, *Department of Pharmacology, University of Florence*, Florence, Italy.  
Research fellowship in Dr.Duccio Cavalieri's group to work on data analysis techniques for microarray data, especially regarding pathway analysis and database integration, on the fields of immunology and nutrigenomics.
- 2004–March 2009 **Bioinformatics work in the field of solid state tumors at Dr. Cristina Battaglia's laboratory**, *Centre of excellence CISI, University of Milano*, Milano, Italy.  
Data analysis of renal cell carcinoma data obtained through microarray experiments.
- 2003–2004 **Cellular and molecular biology research on mouse neuronal development at Dr. Vania Broccoli's laboratory**, *DIBIT, San Raffaele Scientific Park*, Segrate, Italy.  
Investigation of the expression of the ARX gene in primary cultured neurons.

2002-2003 **Work at Prof. Marco Parenti's laboratory on the function of caveolin-1 in neuronal development**, DiMeSAB, University of Milano-Bicocca, Monza, Italy.  
Analysis of the CAV-1 protein expression in cell cultures mimicking different neuronal development states.

## Miscellaneous experience

- April 2008 Participant and speaker at the **DC-THERA Annual Meeting** (Athens, Greece)
- June 2008 Teacher at the **NuGO hands-on microarray data analysis course** (Maastricht, The Netherlands) on the subject of pathway analysis
- November 2008 Speaker at the **I-ATLAS 2008: International Workshop on Gene Signalling Pathway Analysis and Representation for the Dendritic Cell** (Firenze, Italy) with the talk "Eu.Gene - a bioinformatic environment to query microarray databases with a pathway based logic"
- May 2009 Participant and speaker at the **DC-THERA Annual Meeting** (Marseille, France)

## Computer skills

OS	Linux, UNIX, Windows		
programming	Python, R	scripting	Bash
GUI toolkits	Qt		
typography	L <small>A</small> T <small>E</small> X	image processing	GIMP
web design	XHTML, CSS	office suites	Openoffice.org, Microsoft Office
bioinformatics	functional annotation, pathway analysis, gene expression, data processing		

## Skills

- Writing Very good technical and non-technical writing skills

## Languages

- Italian **Native**  
English **Very good**  
Japanese **Basic**

## Interests

- Pathway analysis Analysis of differentially regulated pathways in microarray data sets, as a viable alternative to traditional gene-based approaches.
- Bioinformatics Bioinformatics and related topics in particular the aspects related to data integration, network topology reconstruction, and pathway analysis.
- Open Source promotion Involved in the promotion of free and open source software, in particular KDE (<http://www.kde.org>)
- Open Source contribution Contributed patches and code to the KDE Applications and Workspace and to the tablib project (<http://www.tablib.org>)

## Publications

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