



GRAN SASSO
SCIENCE INSTITUTE

Curriculum vitae

AREA OF INTEREST AND RESEARCH

- Development of particle detection techniques
- Cosmic Ray physics
- Neutrino and Dark Matter physics
- Scientific space missions with Micro- and Mini-satellites
- Detection of particles in space
- Design of hybrid payloads for studies related to the development of life in space
- Detection techniques applicable to cultural heritage

WORK EXPERIENCE

09/2024 – present	<i>Associate Professor</i> , Gran Sasso Science Institute (GSSI), L'Aquila, Italy
09/2021 – 08/2024	<i>Assistant Professor</i> , Gran Sasso Science Institute (GSSI), L'Aquila, Italy
09/2017 – 07/2021	<i>Research Scientist</i> , New York University Abu Dhabi (NYUAD), Abu Dhabi, UAE
11/2014 – 08/2017	<i>Assistant Research Scientist</i> , New York University Abu Dhabi (NYUAD), Abu Dhabi, UAE
10/2013 – 10/2014	<i>Post-doc Associate</i> , New York University Abu Dhabi (NYUAD), Abu Dhabi, UAE
06/2010 – 08/2013	<i>Post-doc Associate</i> , Gran Sasso National Laboratory (LNGS) of INFN, Assergi (AQ), Italy
11/2007 – 05/2010	<i>Art. 2222</i> , Laboratori Nazionali del Gran Sasso (LNGS) of INFN, Assergi (AQ), Italy

BIBLIOMETRIC INDICATORS

- *INSPIRE*: H-INDEX: **40** - CITATIONS: **11192**
- *WEB OF SCIENCE*: H-INDEX:**36** - CITATIONS: **6894**
- *SCOPUS*: H-INDEX:**36** - CITATIONS: **7798**

EDUCATION

2004-08	University of L'Aquila: Ph.D. in Physics - "Study and realization of a resistive plate chamber system for the VETO planes and the magnetic spectrometers of the OPERA experiment", Supervisors: Prof. Piero Monacelli, Dr. Carlo Gustavino
1999-2004	University of L'Aquila: Degree in Physics - "Study of Glass Resistive Plate Chambers", Supervisors: Prof. Piero Monacelli, Dr. Carlo Gustavino

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- 2019 National Scientific Qualification (ASN) for the role of Associate Professor 02/A1.
- 2013 EU Reserve list EPSO/CAST/S/5/2013 (FG IV).

ACADEMIC BOARD

- From 2023 Doctorate course in Astroparticle Physics, GSSI.
- From 2023 Doctorate course in Innovative Technologies for Space Missions and Radiation Detection, GSSI.

TEACHING

- 2024 Course instructor for “**Introduction to Nuclear and Particle Physics**”, Doctorate course in Innovative Technologies for Space Missions and Radiation Detection, GSSI, GSSI
- 2022-24 Course instructor for “**HE-3: High Energy Radiation Measurements (LAB)**”, Doctorate course in Astroparticle Physics, GSSI
- 2022-24 Course instructor for “**HE-5: Front-end and readout electronics**”, Doctorate course in Astroparticle Physics, GSSI
- 2013-19 Assistant for the course “**Advanced Physics Laboratory**”, Division of Science, NYUAD
- 2017-18 Guest Lecturer for the course “**Instrumentation, Sensors and Actuators**”, Engineering Department, NYUAD
- 2016-19 Guest Lecturer for the course “**The ”7 Wonders”**”, Division of Science, NYUAD
- 2016-17 Guest Lecturer for the course “**Quantum Theory and Relativity**”, Division of Science, NYUAD
- 2016-17 Guest Lecturer for the course “**Conserving Our Global Heritage through Science**”, Division of Science, NYUAD
- 2016-17 Guest Lecturer for the course “**Space**”, Division of Science, NYUAD

FUNDING

- 2023-2025 **COSMIC “Controlled Space Microecological system supporting eCopoiesis”**, PRIN: Research Projects of National Interest, Italy.
Role: *Co-Principal Investigator*
Allocated funds: *64,525 EUR*
- 2018-2021 **The LIGHT-1 mission**, The Space Agency of the United Arab Emirates, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.
Role: *Co-Principal Investigator*
Allocated funds: *100,000 USD*
- 2014-2016 **The XENON Dark Matter Project at NYUAD**, New York University Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.
Role: *Co-Principal Investigator*
Allocated funds: *350,000 USD*

2021-Present, Gran Sasso Science Institute - Research/Teaching

- Technical Manager of the NUSES space mission;
- Design and development of the scientific and technological component of the NUSES space mission;
- Operation of the LIGHT-1 mission payload and data analysis;
- Characterization of the SiPM timing for the plastic scintillator detector of the HERD mission.
- Member of the Local Committee of the UHECR conference (October 3-7, 2022) held at GSSI.
- Member of the Local Committee of the Hands On school (September 25 - October 6, 2023) held at the Gran Sasso National Laboratories.
- Co-Supervisor of the GSSI PhD student in Astroparticle Physics, Leandro Silveri.
- Co-Supervisor of the SST (Space Science and Technology) PhD student, Iqra Siddique.
- Supervisor of the PhD student in Innovative Technologies for Space Missions and Radiation Detection, Giulio Fontanella.
- Student mentoring and academic services.

RELEVANT EVENTS

2013-2021, New York University Abu Dhabi - Research

- Design and set-up of the astroparticle laboratory at NYUAD;
- Design, realization and characterization of X-ray and gamma-ray detectors based on photodiodes coupled to scintillating crystals;
- Design, realization and characterization of muon tracking systems with SiPM;
- Development and characterization of cryogenic electronics for the operation of photomultipliers and Multi-Pixel Photon Counters (MPPC) sensitive to the VUV wavelength range;
- Design, simulation, realization, characterization and commissioning of the LIGHT-1 (former RAADSAT) mission payload;
- Development and assembly of the X-ray fluorescence scanner (XRF) of the NYUAD basic technological platform for measurements of interest for Cultural Heritage;
- R&D of 3D printed components for high vacuum applications for operations of interest in Cultural Heritage (MACHINA);
- Participation in the operations of XENON100-XENON1T-XENONnT;
- Convener WG5: "Light and Charge readout and DAQ" of the DARWIN experiment;
- Processing of observational data from the SWIFT space mission using the Open Universe and Firmamento platforms;
- Coordinator of outreach activities of the NYUAD astroparticle laboratory;
- Mentoring of students and research assistants (undergraduate).

2003-2013, Gran Sasso National Laboratories - Service/Research

- Design, R&D, characterization and serial production of glass resistive plate chambers for the VETO system of the OPERA experiment;
- Realization of the OPERA experiment VETO system (200 m² of sensitive area);
- Realization and characterization of the first batch of Multigap Resistive Plate Chambers (MRPC) of the EEE experiment;
- Design and realization of professional instrumentation (cloud chambers, particle detectors, muon tracking systems) for the study and real-time visualization of cosmic rays;
- Institutional communication and scientific information, interface with press and media;
- Organization of national and international science and physics schools for students and educators;
- Design and setting up of content for Museums and Science Centers.

ROLES OF RESPONSIBILITY

- 2024-present **Technical Manager** of the NUSES mission.
- 2022-present **Responsible** for the Electronics and DAQ system of the Zirè payload of the NUSES mission.
- 2021-present **Member** of the DAMPE collaboration.
- 2021-present **Member** of the HERD collaboration.
- 2021-present **Member** of the NUSES collaboration.
- 2014-2021 **Member** of the XENON collaboration.
- 2014-2021 **Manager** Director of the Astroparticle Laboratory at NYUAD and responsible for the development of detectors for the space environment, cosmic ray tracking systems, environmental monitoring and cryogenic applications.
- 2014-2016 **Co-Principal Investigator** of the grant *The XENON Dark Matter Project at NYUAD* funded through "NYUAD Research Enhancement Fund (REF)".
- 2016-2021 **Member** of "Emirates Space and Innovation Group (ESIG)", the National Institute of the United Arab Emirates for scientific and technological activities related to Space.
- 2016-2021 **Member** of the DARWIN collaboration.
- 2016-2021 **Member** of the INFN network for cultural heritage (CHNET) and Co-Responsible for the NYUAD node.
- 2017-2018 **Run Coordinator** of XENON1T.
- 2018 Offline data quality **manager** of XENON1T.
- 2018-present **Co-Principal Investigator** of the LIGHT-1 project, a 3U Cubesat mission with the aim of revealing Terrestrial Gamma-ray Flashes, mapping the South Atlantic Anomaly and qualifying the technology used.
- 2018-present **Head** of the design of the LIGHT-1 scientific and technological payload, construction, testing, commissioning and in-flight operations.
- 2019-present **Member** of the Open Universe project development group, a UN initiative aimed at increasing the usability of scientific data produced by space missions.
- 2021-present **Co-Principal Investigator** of the Firmamento project, an instrument that allows to discover and study blazars starting from existing multi-wavelength observations.

- 2019-2021 **Convener** of the working group "Light and Charge readout and DAQ" of the DARWIN experiment.
- 2019-present **Member** of the Center for Astro, Particle, and Planetary Physics at NYUAD.
- 2003-2010 **Member** of the OPERA experiment.
- 2003-2010 **Co-Responsible** for the OPERA experiment VETO system.
- 2003-2008 **Responsible** for the development, standardization and construction of glass resistive plate chambers for the instrumentation of the OPERA experiment VETO system.
- 2003-2010 **Co-Responsible** for the OPERA experiment XPC system.
- 2004-2013 **Member** of the Extreme Energy Event (EEE) project collaboration.
- 2008 **Responsible** for the commissioning of the OPERA experiment VETO system.
- 2008 **Responsible** for the commissioning of the OPERA experiment XPC system.
- 2009-2012 **Co-Responsible** for the Gran Sasso - Princeton summer school (4 editions).

- *ECRS 2024: The 28th European Cosmic Ray Symposium*, September 23 - September 27 2024, Hvar, Croatia Talk: *The Zire' instrument onboard the NUSES space mission* https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hhSiF3s0kLW2dVuXdHz72gvuyqH5zyeI/view?usp=share_link
- *ICHEP 2024: International Conference on High Energy Physics*, July 18 - July 24, 2022 Prague - Czech Republic Talk: *The Scientific Payload of the NUSES space mission* https://indico.cern.ch/event/1291157/contributions/5904770/attachments/2900828/5086978/AdrianoDiGiovanni_ICHEP2024_Final.pdf
- *EPS-HEP 2023: European Physical Society Conference on High Energy Physics (EPS-HEP)*, Aug 20 - 25, 2023 Amburg - Germany Talk: *The NUSES space mission* <https://indico.desy.de/event/34916/contributions/146956/>
- *ASAPP 2023: Advances in Space AstroParticle Physics: frontier technologies for particle measurements in space*, June 19 - June 23, 2023, Perugia - Italy Talk: *LIGHT-1: A 3U Cubesat Mission for the detection of Terrestrial Gamma-Ray Flashes* <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1208314/contributions/5342879/>
- *AtmoHEAD 2022: Atmospheric Monitoring for High Energy Astro Particle Detectors*, July 13 - July 15, 2022 Villa Orlandi - Anacapri - Italy Talk: *LIGHT-1: A 3U Cubesat Mission for the detection of Terrestrial Gamma-Ray Flashes* <https://agenda.infn.it/event/30210/contributions/171134/>
- *ICHEP 2022: International Conference on High Energy Physics*, July 6 - July 13, 2022 Bologna - Italy
Talk: *LIGHT-1: A 3U Cubesat Mission for the detection of Terrestrial Gamma-Ray Flashes* <https://agenda.infn.it/event/28874/contributions/169581/>
- *ICHEP 2022: International Conference on High Energy Physics*, July 6 - July 13, 2022 Bologna - Italy
Talk: *The NUSES space mission* <https://agenda.infn.it/event/28874/contributions/169555/>
- *PM2021: 15th Pisa Meeting on Advanced Detectors*, May 22 - May 28, 2022 La Biodola - isola D'Elba - Italy
Talk: *The Scientific Payload of LIGHT-1: A 3U Cubesat Mission for the detection of Terrestrial Gamma-Ray Flashes* <https://agenda.infn.it/event/22092/contributions/167312/>
- *The Firmamento Workshop, Citizen Researcher, NYUAD*, 13/04/2023 Abu Dhabi - UAE.
Talk: *Nano- to Mini-satellite and Firmamento*
- *TEDx Talk*, 27/10/2018 Dubai - United Arab Emirates. *How the Universe Shapes its Mind*
- *ICHEP 2020: International Conference on High Energy Physics*, July 28 - August 06, 2020 Prague - Czech Republic. Talk: *The DARWIN experiment: the ultimate detector for direct dark matter search* https://indico.cern.ch/event/868940/contributions/3814883/attachments/2080576/3496653/DARWIN_ICHEP.pdf
- *ICASIPM 2018: International Conference on the Advancement of Silicon Photomultipliers*, June 11 - June 15, 2018 Schwetzingen - Germany. Talk: *Cryogenic Readout Electronics for a MPPC Based Array Operating at Liquid Xenon Temperature* <https://indico.gsi.de/event/6990/session/9/contribution/1/material/slides/0.pdf>

- *CNNP2017: Conference on Neutrino and Nuclear Physics*, October 15 - October 21, 2017 Catania - Italy. Talk: *A Multi-Pixel Photon Counter detector prototype for direct detection of scintillation light in liquid xenon* https://agenda.infn.it/event/12166/contributions/12631/attachments/9324/10529/Adriano_VUV4_CNNP.pdf
- *LIDINE2017: Light Detection In Noble Elements*, September 22 - September 24, 2018 SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory - Stanford, USA. Talk: *Cryogenic readout for multiple VUV4 Multi- Pixel Photon Counters in liquid xenon* <https://indico.physics.lbl.gov/indico/event/545/contributions/1224/>
- *TIPP2017: Technology and Instrumentation in Particle Physics*, May 22 - May 26, 2017 Beijing International Convention Center, Beijing, China. Talk: *A stand alone muon tracking detector based on the use of Silicon Photomultipliers* <https://indico.ihep.ac.cn/event/6387/session/31/contribution/66>
- *Rencontres de Moriond - Cosmology 2016*, March 19 - March 26, 2016 La Thuile - Italy. Talk: *The XENON1T Dark Matter experiment* http://moriond.in2p3.fr/J16/transparencies/2_monday/1_morning/1_digiovanni.pdf

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