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Research Interests

Cancer epidemiology, causal inference, and evidence triangulation.

Academic Appointments

Postdoctoral Researcher <i>Barcelona Institute for Global Health</i> Maternal, Child and Reproductive Health	Oct 2025 – Mar 2026 Barcelona, ES
PhD Student <i>Barcelona Institute for Global Health</i> Childhood and Environment	Jun 2021 – Sep 2025 Barcelona, ES
Student Research Assistant Fellowship <i>Università della Svizzera italiana</i> Faculty of Informatics	Mar 2017 – May 2017 Lugano, CH

Education

Máster universitario de Análisis Económico <i>Universitat Oberta de Catalunya</i>	Mar 2026 – Present Barcelona, ES
Máster de Formación Permanente en Salud Pública <i>UNED</i>	Dec 2025 – Present Madrid, ES
Diploma de Experto Universitario en Métodos Avanzados de Estadística Aplicada <i>UNED</i>	Dec 2025 – Present Madrid, ES
PG Certificate in Public Health <i>London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine</i> Basic Epidemiology (PHM101)	Oct 2025 – Present London, GB
Graduate Certificate in Theoretical Statistics and Probability <i>The Open University</i> Mathematical Statistics (M347): 91/100 With Distinction	Oct 2024 – Present Milton Keynes, GB
PhD Programme in Biomedicine <i>Universitat Pompeu Fabra</i> Faculty of Health and Life Sciences Thesis: Early Life Exposure to Environmental Chemicals and Neurodevelopment through Childhood and Adolescence. Supervisor: Prof. Martine Vrijheid	Sep 2021 – Sep 2025 Barcelona, ES
M.Sc. in Quantitative and Computational Biology <i>Università degli Studi di Trento</i> CIBIO Thesis (FBK, Trento): Machine Learning for Predictive Drug Induced Hepatotoxicity. Supervised by: Dr. Cesare Furlanello, Dr. Marco Chierici, Prof. Enrico Domenici. Internship (HITS, Heidelberg): Machine and Deep Learning for Predictive Unbinding Kinetics of Kinases. Supervised by: Prof. Rebecca Wade, Dr. Daria Kokh, Prof. Raffaello Potestio. Final mark: 110/110 With Honors	Oct 2017 – Oct 2019 Trento, IT
M.Sc. Student in Computational Science <i>Università della Svizzera italiana</i> Faculty of Informatics Project (USI, Lugano): Investigation by Computational Techniques of Channelopathies Related to Sodium Channels. Supervised by: Prof. Vittorio Limongelli, Prof. Daniele Di Marino	Sep 2016 – Jul 2017 Lugano, CH
B.Sc. in Biotechnology <i>University of Parma</i> Dipartimento di Scienze Chimiche, della Vita e della Sostenibilità Ambientale Thesis (RWTH, Aachen): Whole Body PBPK Modeling of Valproic Acid. Supervised by: Prof. Elena Maestri, Prof. Lars M. Blank, Dr. Henrik Cordes. Final mark: 103/110	Oct 2012 – Feb 2016 Parma, IT

Research Visits

Master's thesis <i>Fondazione Bruno Kessler</i> Data Science for Health Unit	Jun 2019 – Oct 2019 Trento, IT
Master's internship <i>HITS</i> Molecular and Cellular Modeling Group	Mar 2019 – May 2019 Heidelberg, DE
Bachelor's thesis <i>RWTH Aachen University</i> Institute of Applied Microbiology	Apr 2015 – Aug 2015 Aachen, DE

Grants and Fellowships

Meritatamente 2023 <i>Società Unione Mutuo Soccorso</i>	Mar 2024 – Sep 2024
Causal Inference for Environmental Mixtures [declined] <i>ATHLETE</i>	Mar 2024 – Jun 2024
Causal Inference for Environmental Mixtures [declined] <i>Centro de Investigación Biomédica en Red</i>	Jun 2024 – Sep 2024
Meritatamente 2022 <i>Società Unione Mutuo Soccorso</i>	2022
Erasmus+ Traineeship Programme Scholarship <i>University of Trento</i>	Mar 2019 – May 2019
Faculty of Informatics Scholarship <i>Università della Svizzera italiana</i>	Sep 2016 – May 2017
Erasmus Traineeship Programme Scholarship <i>University of Parma</i>	Apr 2015 – Aug 2015

Honors and Awards

Student Tuition Waiver [declined] <i>CAUSALab Summer Courses on Causal Inference</i>	Jun 2024 Boston, US
Outstanding Abstract by a Student <i>International Society for Environmental Epidemiology</i>	Sep 2022 Herndon, US

Publications

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Fabbri L, Andrušaitytė S, Basagaña X, Bhopal S, Bustamante M, Cheung RW, Gražulevičienė R, Guxens M, Kadawathagedara M, Kampouri M, Maitre L, Marquez S, Montazeri P, Myridakis A, Slama R, Thomsen C, Vrijheid M. Prenatal and childhood exposure to mixtures of environmental chemicals and adolescence attentional problems: a triangulation study. *Environment International*. 2025;206:109927. doi:10.1016/j.envint.2025.109927
- Fabbri L, Robinson O, Basagaña X, Chatzi L, Gražulevičienė R, Guxens M, Kadawathagedara M, Sakhi AK, Maitre L, McEachan R, Philippat C, Pozo J, Thomsen C, Wright J, Yang T, Vrijheid M. Childhood exposure to non-persistent endocrine disruptors, glucocorticosteroids, and attentional function: A cross-sectional study based on the parametric g-formula. *Environmental Research*. 2025;264:120413. doi:10.1016/j.envres.2024.120413
- Warkentin S, Stratakis N, Fabbri L, Wright J, Yang TC, Bryant M, Heude B, Slama R, Montazeri P, Vafeiadi M, Gražulevičienė R, Brantsæter AL, Vrijheid M. Dietary patterns among European children and their association with adiposity-related outcomes: a multi-country study. *International Journal of Obesity*. 2025;49(2):295-305. doi:10.1038/s41366-024-01657-6
- Stratakis N, Anguita-Ruiz A, Fabbri L, Maitre L, González JR, Andrusaityte S, Basagaña X, Borràs E, Keun HC, Chatzi L, Conti DV, Goodrich J, Gražulevičienė R, Haug LS, Heude B, Yuan WL, McEachan R, Nieuwenhuijsen M, Sabidó E, Slama R, Thomsen C, Urquiza J, Roumeliotaki T, Vafeiadi M, Wright J, Bustamante M, Vrijheid M. Multi-omics architecture of childhood obesity and metabolic dysfunction uncovers biological pathways and prenatal determinants. *Nature Communications*. 2025;16(1). doi:10.1038/s41467-025-56013-7
- Güil-Oumrait N, Stratakis N, Maitre L, Anguita-Ruiz A, Urquiza J, Fabbri L, Basagaña X, Heude B, Haug LS, Sakhi AK, Iszatt N, Keun HC, Wright J, Chatzi L, Vafeiadi M, Bustamante M, Gražulevičienė R, Andrušaitytė S, Slama R, McEachan R, Casas M, Vrijheid M. Prenatal Exposure to Chemical Mixtures and Metabolic Syndrome Risk in Children. *JAMA Network Open*. 2024;7(5):e2412040. doi:10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2024.12040
- Fabbri L, Garlandtézec R, Audouze K, Bustamante M, Carracedo , Chatzi L, Ramón González J, Gražulevičienė R, Keun H, Lau CHE, Sabidó E, Siskos AP, Slama R, Thomsen C, Wright J, Lun Yuan W, Casas M, Vrijheid M, Maitre L. Childhood exposure to non-persistent endocrine disrupting chemicals and multi-omic profiles: A panel study. *Environment International*. 2023;173:107856. doi:10.1016/j.envint.2023.107856
- Thiel C, Cordes H, Fabbri L, Aschmann HE, Baier V, Smit I, Atkinson F, Blank LM, Kuepfer L. A Comparative Analysis of Drug-Induced Hepatotoxicity in Clinically Relevant Situations. *PLOS Computational Biology*. 2017;13(2):e1005280. doi:10.1371/journal.pcbi.1005280

ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

- Distinct tumor microenvironment signatures predict outcomes and correlate with PD-L1 in HPV-independent vulvar cancer.

- Cohort Profile Update: The Human Early Life Exposome (HELIX) Cohort.

SOFTWARE

forrest: Publication-Ready Forest Plots [\[link\]](#)

Software | CRAN: Contributed Packages, 2026

orcidtr: Retrieve Data from the ORCID Public API [\[link\]](#)

Software | CRAN: Contributed Packages, 2026

causatr: Causal Effects Estimation [\[link\]](#)

Software | In development

negatr: Negative Control Analysis [\[link\]](#)

Software | In development

manuscripts: Scientific Manuscript Template [\[link\]](#)

Software | In development

Talks

See github.com/lorenzoFabbri/talks for slides and materials.

Transparent causal inference for observational epidemiology

Invited talk | Colicino Group, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (via Zoom), Jan 2025

Posters

1. **A precision environmental health approach to childhood obesity and metabolic dysfunction: identifying biological pathways and prenatal determinants** [\[link\]](#)
Poster | ISEE Conference Abstracts, 2024
2. **Prenatal Exposure to Chemical Mixtures and Metabolic Syndrome Risk in European Children** [\[link\]](#)
Poster | ISEE Conference Abstracts, 2024
3. **Childhood exposure to non-persistent endocrine disrupting chemicals and multi-omic markers in a population-based child cohort** [\[link\]](#)
Poster | ISEE Conference Abstracts, 2022
4. **Childhood exposure to non-persistent endocrine disrupting chemicals and multi-omic markers in a population-based child cohort** [\[link\]](#)
Poster | EURION Cluster Annual Meeting, 2022
5. **Childhood exposure to non-persistent endocrine disrupting chemicals and multi-omic markers in a population-based child cohort** [\[link\]](#)
Poster | PPTOX-VII International Conference, 2022
6. **Efficient and Portable MPI Support for Approximate Bayesian Computation** [\[link\]](#)
Poster | Platform for Advanced Scientific Computing, 2017

Continuing Education

Spring School in Causal Inference with Observational Data <i>Causal Insights</i>	Apr 2022 Leeds, GB
Computational Bayesian methods using brms in R <i>Physalia Courses</i>	Feb 2022 Berlin, DE
ELIXIR Omics Integration and Systems Biology <i>National Bioinformatics Infrastructure Sweden</i>	Sep 2021 Uppsala, SE
Advanced Statistics: Statistical Modelling <i>Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics</i>	Aug 2021 Lausanne, CH
Alpine Exposome Summer School <i>INSERM</i>	Jun 2021 Paris, FR
Metabolomics Data Processing and Data Analysis <i>University of Birmingham</i>	Feb 2021 Birmingham, GB
Mendelian Randomisation <i>Imperial College London</i>	May 2020 London, GB
Image Analysis and Modeling of Complex Biological Dynamics <i>University of Würzburg</i>	Sep 2017 Würzburg, DE
Effective High Performance Computing Summer School <i>CSCS - Swiss National Supercomputing Centre</i>	Jul 2017 Lugano, CH

MARVEL School on Variationally Enhanced Sampling
University of Lugano
Advanced Course in Alternatives to Animal Experimentation
University of Genoa

Feb 2017
Lugano, CH
Nov 2015
Genoa, IT

Service

PEER REVIEW

- *Scientific Reports* (1 review)

WORKING GROUPS

Students and New Researchers Network <i>International Society for Environmental Epidemiology</i>	2022 – 2023 Herndon, US
Early Career Scientist Working Group <i>COnsortium of METabolomics Studies</i>	2022 Bethesda, US

MEMBERSHIPS

- Sociedad Española de Epidemiología
- Society for Longitudinal and Lifecourse Studies
- Centro de Investigación Biomédica en Red (CIBERESP)
- Society for Epidemiologic Research (Student/PostDoc)

Skills

Category	Details
Languages	Italian (native), English (C1, IELTS 7.0), Spanish (basic)
Programming	R, Python, MATLAB, C
Markup	LaTeX, Quarto/RMarkdown
Tools	git, SLURM, High Performance Scientific Computing