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Università di Milano-Bicocca (UNIMIB), Milano, Italy	Bachelor	2003-2007	Biological Sciences
Università di Milano-Bicocca (UNIMIB), Milano, Italy	Master	2007-2010	Biology
Università di Milano-Bicocca (UNIMIB), Milano, Italy	Student Fellow	2010	Taxonomy, phylogeny, and biodiversity of corals
Università di Milano-Bicocca (UNIMIB), Milano, Italy	Ph.D.	2012-2015	Taxonomy, phylogeny, and biodiversity of corals

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST), Thuwal, Saudi Arabia	Postdoc/Research Scientist	2015-2018/2018	Taxonomy, phylogeny, and biodiversity of corals
Joint Research Center (JRC), Ispra, Italy	Contract Agent	2019	Climate change, fish and coral ecology and evolution
Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn (SZN), Naples, Italy	Researcher III level	2020-2022	Phylogenetics, systematics, ecology, and evolution of corals
Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn (SZN), Genoa, Italy	Researcher III level	2022-present	Phylogenetics, systematics, ecology, and evolution of corals

Appointments and awards

2013: European grant “SYNTHESIS EU”, European Union

2013: International grant “Summer program in Taiwan 2013 for graduate students”, National Science Council of Taiwan, Taipei, Taiwan

2018: International price “Mario Benazzi and Giuseppina Benazzi Lentati” in Evolutionary Biology, Accademia dei Lincei, Roma, Italy

Publications

Author of 58 publications on ISI-journals and 2 book chapters (Google Scholar: H index: 26, on 04th November 2024, https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=j_UXCOCAAAAJ&hl=it&oi=ao)

Peer-reviewed publications:

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6. COKER DJ, DIBATTISTA JD, STAT M, **ARRIGONI R**, REIMER JD, TERRANELO TI, VILLALOBOS R, NOWICKI JP, BUNCE M, BERUMEN ML. 2023. DNA metabarcoding confirms primary targets and breadth of diet for coral reef butterflyfishes. *Coral Reefs* 42, 1–15
7. MAGGIONI D, **ARRIGONI R**, SEVESO D, GALLI P, BERUMEN ML, DENIS V, HOEKSEMA BW, HUANG D, MANCA F, PICA D, PUCE S, REIMER JD, MONTANO S. 2022. Evolution and biogeography of the Zanclea-Scleractinia symbiosis. *Coral Reefs*, 41(3), 779-795
8. TERRANELO TI, **ARRIGONI R**, MARCHESE F, CHIMIENTI G, EWEIDA AA, RODRIGUE M, BENZONI F. 2022. The complete mitochondrial genome of *Dendrophyllia minuscula* (Cnidaria: Scleractinia) from the NEOM region of the northern Red Sea. *Mitochondrial DNA Part B Resources* 5, 848-850.
9. JUSZKIEWICZ DJ, WHITE NE, STOLARSKI J, BENZONI F, **ARRIGONI R**, ARRIGONI R, HOEKSEMA BW, WILSON NG, BUNCE M, RICHARDS ZT. 2022. Phylogeography of recent *Plesiastrea* (Scleractinia: Plesiastreidae) based on an integrated taxonomic approach. *Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution*, 107469.
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 46. MONTANO S, MAGGIONI D, **ARRIGONI R**, SEVESO D, PUCE S, GALLI P. 2015. The hidden diversity of *Zanclaea* associated with scleractinian revealed by molecular data. *PLoS ONE* 10, e0133084
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