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### Formazione

Dottorato in Chimica, Università di Catania, 1996  
Laurea in Chimica, Università di Catania, 1992

### Esperienza professionale

- Coordinatore progetto europeo HORIZON 2020, ULTRAPLACAD (ULTRAsensitive PLAsmonic devices for early CAncer Diagnosis) Maggio 2015- Ottobre 2018.
- Presidente del Comitato di Garanzia Finanziamento Ricerca di Ateneo - FIR 2014 Università di Catania. (2014)
- Membro Consiglio di Amministrazione Consorzio Catania Ricerche. Ott. 2014- 28 Marzo 2017
- Componente Consiglio Direttivo Consorzio Interuniversitario “Istituto Nazionale di Biostrutture e Biosistemi” 2013- ad oggi
- Coordinatore Gruppo Divisionale Spettroscopia Analitica (Società Chimica Italiana) 2013-2016.
- Management Committee substitute member European COST Action TD1003 Bio-inspired nanotechnologies: from concepts to applications 2011-2014.
- Presidente Corso di Laurea Magistrale in Chimica Biomolecolare (LM-54) 2010- 2015.
- Membro Giunta del Gruppo Interdivisionale Spettroscopie Raman ed Effetti Ottici non Lineari (Società Chimica Italiana) 2009-2012
- Membro Giunta Gruppo Divisionale Spettroscopia Analitica (Società Chimica Italiana) 2009-2012
- Professore Ordinario di Chimica Analitica (CHIM/01), Università di Catania, 2005 – ad oggi
- Associato, Istituto di Biostrutture e Bioimmagini, Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche, 2004 – 2015
- Componente Consiglio Direttivo Divisione di Chimica Analitica della Società Chimica Italiana, 2019- ad oggi
- Componente Commissione Ricerca dell’Università degli Studi di Catania, Dic. 2019- ad oggi
- Ricercatore, Chimica Analitica (CHIM/01), Università di Catania, 2003 – 2005
- Visiting Researcher, *Interface Analysis Centre*, Bristol University (U.K.), Feb-Ago 1994

### Premi

Premio dell’Accademia Gioenia per la Chemica 1994  
The Best Researcher Award, Università di Catania, 2013

## **Finanziamenti**

### **Ente finanziatore italiano**

- Prin 2005, Responsabile Unità (MIUR)
- Prin 2007, Responsabile Unità (MIUR).
- Prin 2009, Responsabile Unità (MIUR).
- HIPPOCRATES, PON02\_00355, 2012-2015, resp. unità INBB (MIUR).
- Plast\_ICs, PON02\_00355\_3416798, 2012-2015, resp. unità INBB (MIUR)
- PROFOOD, PON02\_00451\_3133441, 2012-2015, resp. unità INBB (MIUR).
- NANOMAX, 2013 (CNR).
- AHM fo CuHe (Advanced Green Materials for Cultural Heritage) (PNR 2015-2020, MIUR) 2018-2021
- Prin 2017, Responsabile Unità (MIUR) 2019-2022

### **Ente finanziatore internazionale**

-ULTRAPLACAD (ULTRASensitive PLAsmonic devices for early CAncer Diagnosis)

**Coordinatore del progetto** (Horizon 2020 grant agreement n. 633937), 2015-2018 (Commissione Europea, Bruxelles)

Il consorzio coinvolto comprende 13 partner distribuiti in 7 nazioni europee. Tra i 13 partner sono comprese 5 aziende europee (Scriba Nanotechnologie , Italia; Ginolis, Finlandia; Future Diagnostics Solution, Olanda; Horiba Jobin Yvon, Francia; Amires, Repubblica Ceca). Il Parlamento Europeo ha citato il progetto ULTRAPLACAD come tra i 5 più significativi progetti Europei per le ricerche relative al cancro (<https://www.what-europe-does-for-me.eu/en/portal/2/C02>)

-AiPBAND (An Integrated Platform for Developing Brain Cancer Diagnostic Techniques) (H2020-MSCA-ITN-2017) Principal Investigator, 2018-2021 (Commissione Europea, Bruxelles)

### **Contratti di ricerca con aziende**

- A.T.S. s.r.l., contratto di ricerca CNR, 2004
- Neutron contratto di ricerca CNR, 2006
- Meridionale Impianti S.p.A., contratto di ricerca, 2006
- Dipietrogroup s.r.l. contratto di ricerca, 2012

## **Valutazione progetti di ricerca**

Sono stato consultato quale revisore di progetti di ricerca dalle seguenti istituzioni ed organismi di ricerca :

- MIUR** (PRIN, VQR, Futuro in Ricerca)
- **The Netherlands Foundation for Fundamental Research on Matter (FOM)**, Olanda.
- **Austrian Institute of Technology** (Austria)
- **Research and Innovation SERI** (Swiss Confederation)
- **Dutch National Science Foundation** (Olanda)
- **Foundation for Polish Science** (Polonia)
- **European Commission: reviewer** (Horizon 2020 ERC consolidator)
- **European Commission: monitore** (Horizon 2020 FET-Open)

## **Attività di ricerca**

Biosensori e microfluidica; Nuovi metodi per la diagnosi clinica; Sistemi molecolari e biomolecolari all’interfaccia solido/liquido.

**Comunicazioni a congresso su invito:** oltre 100 presentazioni di cui 42 tra presentazioni ad invito a congressi e workshop nazionali ed internazionali.

### **Relazioni a congressi e seminari su invito**

- V Seminario Nazionale di Spettroscopia Analitica, Gargnano, 2001.
- IV Scuola Nazionale di Chimica per i Beni Culturali. Vetro e Ceramica, Altare (SV), 2002.
- Università di Lecce, 15 Novembre 2002.
- Università di Parma, 21 Settembre 2004
- Neotron, Modena 17 Marzo 2006
- STMicroelectronics, Catania 24 Maggio 2006
- Scuola Nazionale di Chimica Analitica per Dottorandi, Roma, 26 Settembre 2006
- LASERION 2007, 1-6 Luglio 2007 Tegernsee, Germania.
- Workshop on Nano-Bio-Photonics: Converging Science and Technologies Status and Perspectives, Rome, 14 September 2007.
- Workshop su Biosensori per l'ambiente e per la salute, Rome, 9-10 October 2007.
- First BioInterface School, Lecce, 16 Novembre 2007
- SCI Convegno Congiunto sezioni Calabria e Sicilia, 4- Dicembre 2007.
- European Materials Research Society Spring Meeting, Strasbourg (France), 9 Giugno 2009.
- Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche, Bologna, 15 June 2010
- University of Parma, 18 June 2010
- LASERION 2010, 7-10 July 2010 Tegernsee, Germany.
- TECHNART 2011, 26 29 April 2011 Berlin, Germany.
- NANOMED Italy-Sweden Bilateral Meeting, 29-30 Settember 2011, Stockholm, Sweden.
- University of Torino, 21 November 2011
- Advanced laser-based techniques in art conservation, diagnostics and analysis, 21 June 2012, Heraklion, Greece
- Department of Chemistry, 22 June 2012, University of Crete, Greece
- XXIII Congresso della Divisione di Chimica Analitica della Società Chimica Italiana, 16-20 Settembre 2012, Isola D'Elba, Italy (Keynote)
- Micro and Nanosystems in Biochemical Analysis, 17-20 October 2012, Warsaw, Poland
- Bioelectrochemistry 2013, 17-21 March 2013, Bochum, Germany
- Laserion 2013, 3-6 July 2013, Tegernsee, Germany.
- 4th Summer Symposium on Nanomaterials and their application to Biology and Medicine, 15th-18th June 2014, Poznań, Poland
- CEITEC Annual Conference on “Frontiers in material and life sciences”, 21th – 24th October 2014, Brno, Czech Republic.
- 3rd International Conference BioPhotonics 2015, 20th-22nd May 2015, Florence, Italy
- 5th Summer Symposium on Nanomaterials and their application to Biology and Medicine, 14th-18th June 2015, Zakopane, Poland.
- GS2015, 15th-17th June 2015, Parma, Italy
- Orbitaly 2015, 10-11 September 2015, Modena, Italy.
- AIT- Austrian Institute of Technology, 30th June 2016, Vienna, Austria.
- Nano and Photonics 2017, 24 March 2017, Mauterndorf, Austria.
- TRACE workshop, 29 June 2017, Dublin, Ireland.
- Dipartimento di Chimica “Ugo Schiff”, Università degli Studi di Firenze, 6 Settembre 2017.
- Winter School on Biophotonics and Bioelectronics, 22 February 2018, Hirshegg, Austria.

- Twente University, Mesa+, 17 May 2018, Enschede, The Netherlands.
- Bioelectrochemistry, Surfaces, and more... 2019, 6 February 2019, Tulln, Austria.
- MADIA workshop.11-12 June 2019. Bologna
- PIERS 2019, PhotonIcs & Electromagnetics Research Symposium, 17-20 June 2019, Rome.
- Workshop “From Molecules to Devices”, 6 December 2019, Parma.
- European Conference on Novel Technologies for In Vitro Diagnostics – DIATECH 2020, 26-29 January 2020, Leuven, Belgium (Keynote).
- -Biomedical Engineering Division, University of Glasgow. Online meeting. 24 March 2021.

**Publicazioni:** 108 contributi pubblicati in riviste internazionali peer-reviewed e libri pubblicati da case editrici internazionali.

**Libri:**

- E. Ciliberto, G. Spoto, Eds., *Modern Analytical Methods in Art and Archaeology*, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 2000.
- G. Spoto, R. Corradini, Eds., *Detection of Non-Amplified Genomic DNA*, Springer, 2012.

**Pubblicazioni (2005 - 2021)**

37. E. De Giglio, S. Cometa, L. Sabbatini, P.G. Zambonin, G. Spoto,  
“Electrosynthesis and analytical characterization of PMMA coatings on titanium substrates as barrier against ion release”, *Analytical and Bioanalytical Chemistry*, Springer-Verlag Heidelberg, Gennaio 2005, 381(3), 626 - 633.
38. G. Arena, R.. P. Bonomo, A. Contino, C. Sgarlata, G. Spoto, G. Tabbi  
“Influence of the coordination geometry on the physicochemical properties of a copper(II) complex with a tailor made calixarene-based ligand bearing dipyridyl pendants. An ESR, UV-Vis and CV study” *Dalton Transactions*, The Royal Society of Chemistry, London (U.K.), 2004, (20), 3205 – 3211.
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“Ordered anchored cavities at work: A new and rapid SPR-based method for the detection of trace amounts of Cs+”. *New Journal of Chemistry*, The Royal Society of Chemistry, London (U.K.), Novembre, 2005, 29, 1393 - 1395.
40. G. Grasso, R. D’Agata, E. Rizzarelli, G. Spoto, L. D’Andrea, C. Pedone, A. Picardi, A. Romanelli, M. Fragai, K. Joo Yeo \*  
“Activity of Anchored Human Matrix Metalloproteinase-1 Catalytic Domain on Au (111) Surfaces Monitored by ESI-MS”. *Journal of Mass Spectrometry*, Wiley Interscience, Dicembre, 2005, 40, 1565-1571.
41. R. D’Agata, G. Grasso, G. Iacono, G. Spoto, G. Vecchio  
“A Surface Plasmon Resonance Imaging study of the lectin recognition of a new SOD mimic bioconjugate”. *Organic & Biomolecular Chemistry*, The Royal Society of Chemistry, London (U.K.), Febbraio, 2006, 4; 610-612.
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“Chemical Methods in Archaeology” Kirk-Othmer Encyclopedia of Chemical Technology, Concise, 5th Edition, (ISBN 978-0-470-04748-4), John Wiley & Sons Inc., New York., (USA) Maggio 2007, 73-75.

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“In Situ AP/MALDI-MS characterization of anchored MMPs”, Journal of Mass Spectrometry, Wiley Interscience, Dicembre 2006; 41: 1561–1569
- 44 G. Grasso, M. Fragai, E. Rizzarelli, G. Spoto, K.J. Yeo,  
“A new methodology for monitoring the activity of cdMMP-12 anchored and freeze-dried on Au (111)”, Journal of the American Society for Mass Spectrometry, Maggio 2007, 18(5), 961-969.
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“Electron transport properties of calix[4]arene based systems in a metal-molecule-metal junction: characterization by conducting-atomic force microscopy and theoretical calculations”, New Journal of Chemistry, The Royal Society of Chemistry, London (U.K.), 2007, 31(5), 756-761.
- 46 R. D’Agata, G. Grasso, S. Parlato, S. Simone, G. Spoto,  
“The Use of Atmospheric Pressure Laser Desorption Mass Spectrometry for the Study of Iron-Gall Ink”, Applied Physics A, Springer, Berlin (Germania). 2007, 89, 91-95. Invited paper
- 47 . G. Grasso, E. Rizzarelli, G. Spoto  
AP/MALDI-MS complete characterization of Insulin fragments produced by the interaction of IDE with bovine Insulin, Journal of Mass Spectrometry Wiley Interscience, Dicembre 2007, 42, 1590-1598.
48. M. Licciardello, R. D’Agata, G. Grasso, S. Simone, G. Spoto,  
Atmospheric Pressure Laser Desorption Mass Spectrometry based methods for the study of traditional painting materials, in Laser in Conservation of Artworks, (Ed. M. Castillejo), Taylor & Francis, London, 2008, 67-72.
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Real-time binding kinetics monitored with surface plasmon resonance imaging in a diffusion-free environment, The Open Spectroscopy Journal, Bentham Science Publishers, 2008, 1, 1-9.
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How the binding and degrading capabilities of insulin degrading enzyme are affected by ubiquitin, Biochimica et Biophysica Acta - Proteins and Proteomics, Elsevier, 2008, 1784, 1122-1126.
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Ultrasensitive Detection of DNA by PNA and Nanoparticle-Enhanced Surface Plasmon Resonance Imaging, ChemBioChem, Wiley Interscience, Agosto, 2008, 9(13), 2067-2070
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Enzyme solid-state support assays: a surface plasmon resonance and mass spectrometry coupled study of immobilized insulin degrading enzyme, EUROPEAN BIOPHYSICS JOURNAL WITH BIOPHYSICS LETTERS, Springer, 2009, 38(4), 407-414.
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The Proteolytic Activity of Insulin-Degrading Enzyme: a Mass Spectrometry Study

Journal of Mass Spectrometry Wiley Interscience, 2009, 44(5), 735-741.

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Surface plasmon resonance imaging e acidi peptido nucleici: un approccio combinato per la rivelazione ultrasensibile di DNA, La Chimica & l'Industria, (2009), 5, 92-97.
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"Surface Plasmon-based Optical Detection of DNA by Peptide Nucleic Acids"  
Minerva Biotecnologica: Journal on Biotechnology and Molecular Biology, Minerva Medica, (2008), 20, 165-174.
57. Rosangela Marchelli, Emanuela Licandro, Michele Saviano, Giuseppe Spoto, Monica Borgatti Roberto Gambari  
"PNA targeting the "RNA world": micro RNA next?"  
Minerva Biotecnologica: Journal on Biotechnology and Molecular Biology, Minerva Medica, (2008), 20, 183-188.
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"MALDI, AP/MALDI and ESI techniques for the MS detection of amyloid- $\beta$  peptides", International Journal of Mass Spectrometry, Elsevier, (2009), 282(1-2), 50-55.
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"Microfluidic Networks for Surface Plasmon Resonance Imaging Real-Time Kinetics Experiments", Microchemical Journal, Elsevier, (2009), 93, 82–86.
60. G. Grasso, L. D'Urso, E. Messina, F. Cataldo, O. Puglisi, G. Spoto, G. Compagnini  
"A mass spectrometry and surface enhanced Raman spectroscopy study of the interaction between linear carbon chains and noble metals", Carbon, (2009), 47(11), Elsevier, 2611-2619.
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In Situ Identification of Organic Components of Ink Used in Books from the 1900s by Atmospheric Pressure Matrix Assisted Laser Desorption Ionization Mass Spectrometry ", Applied Physics A, Springer, (2009), 97, 263-269. Invited paper
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"The Role of Linear Carbon Chains on the Aggregation of Copper, Silver and Gold Nanoparticles"  
The Journal of Physical Chemistry C, (2010), 114, 907–915.
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"Spatially Resolved MS in the Study of Art and Archaeological Objects" in "Handbook of Mass Spectrometry", First Edition. Ed. Mike S. Lee, John Wiley & Sons, New York, 2012.
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"Ultrasensitive detection of non-amplified genomic DNA by nanoparticle-enhanced Surface-Plasmon Resonance Imaging", Biosensors & Bioelectronics, Elsevier, (2010), 25, 2095–2100.

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“Detection of non amplified genomic DNA by advanced SPRI methods”, La Chimica & l’Industria, (2010), 7, 140-145.
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Surface Plasmon Resonance Imaging (SPR-I), peptide nucleic acid (PNA) probes and nanoparticle-enhancement for PCR-free ultrasensitive detection of beta-thalassemia mutations in human genomic DNA. International Journal of Molecular Medicine, (2010), 26; S61 ISSN: 1107-3756.
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“Copper(I) and copper(II) inhibit A $\beta$  peptides proteolysis by insulin-degrading enzyme differently: implications for metallostasis alteration in Alzheimer’s disease”, Chemistry – A European Journal, (2011), 17(9), 2752–2762.
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“Ultrasensitive Detection of Non Amplified Genomic DNA” in Sensors and Microsystems, Eds. G. Neri, N. Donato, A. D'Amico, C. Di Natale, Springer, 2011, 485-493.
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“Spatially Resolved Mass Spectrometry: Applications in the Study of Art and Archaeological Objects”, TRAC – Trends in Analytical Chemistry, (2011), 30(6), 856-863.
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“Detection of genomic disorders in unamplified human genomic DNA using an ultrasensitive surface plasmon resonance imaging method” International Journal of Molecular Medicine (2011), 28, S59.
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“Functionalized gold nanoparticles for the ultrasensitive DNA detection” Analytical and Bioanalytical Chemistry, Springer-Verlag, (2012) 402, 1759–1771. (Selected Hot Article)
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“Laser spectroscopies for elemental and molecular analysis in art and archaeology” Applied Physics A, Springer, (2012) 106, 339–361.
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“Direct Detection of Point Mutations in Non-amplified Human Genomic DNA” Analytical Chemistry. American Chemical Society, (2011) 83(22), 8711-8717.
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“Peptide Nucleic Acid Molecular Beacons for the Detection of PCR Amplicons in Droplet-Based Microfluidic Devices” Analytical and Bioanalytical Chemistry, Springer-Verlag, (2013), 405 (2-3) 615-624. DOI: 10.1007/s00216-011-5638-3.
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“Surface plasmon resonance-based methods”, in Detection of Non Amplified Genomic DNA, Eds. R. Corradini, G. Spoto, Springer-Verlag, 2012 (ISBN 978-94-007-1225-6).
76. R. D'Agata, G. Spoto

- “Artificial DNAs and surface plasmon resonance” Artificial DNA: PNA & XNA, Landes Biosciences, 2012, 3(2), 45-52.
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Metal ions affect insulin-degrading enzyme activity Journal of Inorganic Biochemistry (2012) 117, 351-358, doi: 10.1016/j.jinorgbio.2012.06.010
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“Surface Plasmon Resonance Imaging for Nucleic Acid Detection” Analytical and Bioanalytical Chemistry, 2013, 405 (2-3), 573-584.
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“Cyclodextrin-functionalised gold nanoparticles via streptavidin: a supramolecular approach” Supramolecular Chemistry, 25(8), 2013, 465-473
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“Detection of unamplified genomic DNA by a PNA-based microstructured optical fiber (MOF) Bragg-grating optofluidic system”. Biosensors and Bioelectronics 63 (2015) 248–254.
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“Isothermal circular strand displacement polymerization of DNA and microRNA in digital microfluidic devices”, Analytical & Bioanalytical Chemistry 407 (2015) 1533–1543. special issue “Rising Stars and Top Experts”
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Digital microfluidic devices for isothermal circular strand displacement polymerization of microRNAs. International Journal of Molecular Medicine, Vol. 36, Suppl 1, 2015, pag. S106.
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Surface Plasmon Resonance For The Label-Free Detection of Alzheimer's  $\beta$ -Amyloid Peptide Aggregation. *Analytical & Bioanalytical Chemistry* (2016) 408 (3), 849-854. DOI: 10.1007/s00216-015-9172-6.

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Cyclodextrin polymers as carriers for the platinum-based anticancer agent LA-12. *RSC Advances*. (2016) 6, 12461-12466.

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