

## Curriculum vitae

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### • EDUCATION

**2010-2014**



**PhD in skeletal muscle physiology**

Institute for Biomedical Research into Human Movement and Health, Manchester Metropolitan University, UK. PhD Supervisor: Prof Marco Narici

**2008-2010**

**Master by Research (MRes) in skeletal muscle physiology**

IRM, Manchester Metropolitan University, UK

**2003-2008**

**BSc and MSc in Exercise & Sports Sciences**

Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, Milan, IT

### • CURRENT POSITIONS

**2019-**



UNIVERSITY  
of GUELPH

**Assistant Professor (Tenure Track) – to become Associate Professor in Jan 2026**

Department of Biomedical Sciences, University of Padua, IT

**Special Graduate Faculty (2021-)** Department of Human Health & Nutritional Sciences, University of Guelph, CAN

### • PREVIOUS POSITIONS

**2017-2019**

Der **Balgrist**

**Postdoctoral Research Fellow in skeletal muscle plasticity & sports medicine**

Balgrist University Hospital, Department of Orthopedics, University of Zürich (UZH) and Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH), Zürich, CH



University of  
Zurich<sup>UZH</sup>

**2013 - 2017**



The University of  
Nottingham

**Postdoctoral Research Associate and Fellow (2014-2017)**

MRC/ARUK Centre for Musculoskeletal Ageing Research, University of Nottingham, UK

### • TEACHING ACTIVITIES

**2020–2021**

Lecturer- “Muscles as motors” modules- **English Institute of Sport** (teaching coaches of *British Olympic and Paralympic teams*)

**2019–**

Lecturer- **Football Science Institute** Master in *Football injury, reconditioning and prevention* - “Tendon and muscle adaptations in response to eccentric training”

**2019–**

Degree of *Sports Sciences*, Subject: Physiology (Subject Leader), **University of Padua**, IT

### • ORGANISATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

**2019–**

European College of Sports Science (ECSS) 2025 “*Sport and Wellness in Riviera*”, Rimini, IT. **Local organisational committee** and **Head of Volunteers**. ECSS Annual Conference is the biggest European scientific conference for Muscle & Exercise Physiology

### • INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

**2021–**

Special Graduate Faculty, Department of Human Health & Nutritional Sciences, University of Guelph, Canada

**2020–**

School of Doctorate in Biomedical Sciences committee, University of Padua, Italy

**2019–**

Faculty member, Football Science Institute, Granada, Spain

## • REVIEWING ACTIVITIES

- 2022– Editorial board member of “The Journal of Physiology” and “Medicine & Science in Sports & Exercise”
- 2020– Associate Editor for “Translational Sports Medicine”, “Biology (Basel)”, “Science & Medicine in Football” journals
- 2015– Reviewer for 50+ peer reviewed international journals including *Science Advances*, *Journal of Cachexia Sarcopenia and Muscle*, *Sports Medicine*

## • MEMBERSHIPS OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

- 2011– **Member & Fellow of the European College of Sport Science (ECSS)**
- 2023– **Member of ECSS Reviewing Panel**
- 2018– Member of the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM)
- 2020– Member of the International Society of Electrophysiology and Kinesiology (ISEK)
- 2023– Member of the American Physiological Society (APS)

## • GRANTS AWARDED (Total so far- 1'351'137.54 Euros)

- 2019– Balgrist Stiftung, CH – 240'000.00 CHF (CO-I)
- 2021– Italian Ministry of education, IT – 678'305.00 Euros (CO-I)
- 2023– Italian Ministry of education, IT – 205'229.00 Euros (CO-I)
- 2023– Italian Ministry of education, IT – 245'196.00 Euros (PI)

## Track Record

**PUBLICATIONS** (*source: Scopus*)

**Total Publications number** (started in 2014): **91**

**Total Citations Number (CN): 2792; h-index: 26**

### *Top 5 articles*

1. **Franchi MV** et al. Architectural, functional and molecular responses to concentric and eccentric loading in human skeletal muscle *Acta Physiol*, 2014, CN 268
2. **Franchi MV** et al. Regional regulation of focal adhesion kinase after concentric and eccentric loading is related to remodelling of human skeletal muscle *Acta Physiol*, 2018, CN 66
3. **Franchi MV** et al. Skeletal muscle remodeling in response to eccentric vs. concentric loading: Morphological, molecular, and metabolic adaptations. *Front Physiol*, 2017, CN 237
4. **Franchi MV** et al. Ultrasound-derived Biceps Femoris Long Head Fascicle Length: Extrapolation Pitfalls *Med Sci Sport Exerc*, 2020, CN 69
5. Pincheira P, Boswell M, **Franchi MV**, Delp SL, Lichtwark G. Biceps femoris long head sarcomere and fascicle length adaptations after three weeks of eccentric exercise training *J Sport Heal Sci*, 2021, CN 42

### *Invited presentations to internationally established conferences and/or international advanced schools:*

Total number of invited presentations: 28

Noteworthy:

2022 & 2024 **European College of Sports Science invited symposium** (as main proponent).

2022 & 2024 International Society of Electrophysiology and Kinesiology Invited Symposium.

2021 European College of Sports Science webinar. The art of Ultrasound for imaging muscle-tendon

2020 & 2021 ASPETAR Orthopaedic & Sports Medicine Hospital, Qatar. Muscle adaptations to exercise

2019 Berlin Autumn PhD School 2019, HUB, GER. From molecules to morphology and function: an overview of skeletal muscle adaptations to eccentric loading

### *Prizes/ Awards*

**University of Padova Teaching Award 2024** – amongst the top 10% lecturers of the whole university.

**Acta Physiologica Award 2020 Finalist (top 20 articles)- Franchi et al. Acta Physiol 2018**. Winner yet to be decided (2022)

**European College of Sports Science Fellow (FECSS, from 2017)** supporting the goals of ECSS by distinguished activities. FECSS made a significant contribution to the development of sports science through research

**Mognoni Prize 2013, 1st place for young investigator in exercise physiology** (1500 € prize). 10th National Sports Medicine Conference, Saronno, IT

**Article of the month**, Balgrist University Hospital (Zürich, CH) (x2) – Franchi et al. Scientific Reports 2020, Sarto et al. Sports Med 2021 (Last Author)