

Curriculum Vitae

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- **General Information.**

Nationality: Italian

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- **Educations**

2002. Graduation from the University of the Study of Naples "FEDERICO II" with the highest grade and honours (*summa cum laude*).

2007. PhD graduation from the University of the Study of Naples "FEDERICO II" in Genetics and Molecular Medicine.

- **Positions**

2006. Visiting scientist, Institute of Cancer Research, Columbia University, NYC, USA.

2007-2008. Post-doctoral research fellow, AIRC, Italy.

2008-2010. AIRC Triennial Post-doc research fellow, AIRC Naples Oncogenomic Center, Italy

2009. Visiting scientist, Institute of Cancer Research, Columbia University, NYC, USA.

2011. Post-doctoral research, DBSF, University of Naples 'Federico II', Naples, Italy

2011. Visiting scientist, European Institute of Oncology, IEO, Milan, Italy.

2012-to date. Researcher in Genetics, University of Naples Federico II

- **Synopsis of research interest and activity.**

- Functional and biochemical characterization of the RNAPII phosphates FCP1 complex. - Functional and biochemical characterization of interaction between Myc and p14ARF. - Physical and functional interaction between P-TEFb and Myc

- Role of the BER, Base Excision Repair, enzymes in the Myc induced transcription.

- Epigenetics chromatin changes of Myc target genes.

- Role of LSD1 demethylase in Neuroblastoma.

- Genome-wide mapping of 8-oxodG in human and mouse cell line and its functional correlation with transcription and DNA replication.

- Bioinformatics tools required for the analyses of DIP-Seq, ChIP-Seq, GRO-Seq, RNA-Seq.

- **Teaching activities**

2015-2018, Professor of Genetics at University of Naples Federico II.

- **Commissions of trust (if applicable)**

Reviewer panel member of:

- MIUR (Italy) for evaluation of GRANT (FIRB, PRIN, SIR)

- ANR (National Research Agency, France) for evaluation of Generic Call 2017

- Scientific Journal (BBA, Plos One, Oncotarget, Oncogene, etc).

- **Prize**

"Francesca Martini" Award - SIBBM 2016 "Frontiers in Molecular Biology" Naples, 16-18 June 2016

- **Publications**

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 - 4. Ambrosio S, Di Palo G, Napolitano G, **Amente S**, Dellino GI, Faretta M, Pelicci PG, Lania L, Majello B. Cell cycle-dependent resolution of DNA double-strand breaks. *Oncotarget.* 2016 Jan 26;7(4):4949-60.
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 - 6. Ambrosio S*, **Amente S***, Napolitano G, Di Palo G, Lania L, and Majello B. MYC impairs resolution of site-specific DNA double-strand breaks repair. *Mutat Res.* Feb 2015.
 - 7. Napolitano G*, **Amente S***, Lavadera ML, Di Palo G, Ambrosio S, Lania L, Dellino GI, Pelicci PG, Majello B. Sequence-specific double strand breaks trigger P-TEFb-dependent Rpb1-CTD hyperphosphorylation. *Mutat Res.* 2013 Sep; 749(1-2):21-7.
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 - 10. Damiano S, Petrozziello T, Ucci V, **Amente S**, Santillo M, Mondola P. Cu-Zn superoxide dismutase activates muscarinic acetylcholine M1 receptor pathway in neuroblastoma cells. *Mol Cell Neurosci.* 2013 Jan;52:31-7.
 - 11. **Amente S**, Lavadera ML, Palo GD, Majello B. SUMO-activating SAE1 transcription is positively regulated by Myc. *Am J Cancer Res.* 2012;2(3):330.
 - 12. Damiano S, Fusco R, Morano A, De Mizio M, Paternò R, De Rosa A, Spinelli R, **Amente S**, Frunzio R, Mondola P, Miot F, Laccetti P, Santillo M, Avvedimento EV. Reactive oxygen species regulate the levels of dual oxidase (Duox1-2) in human neuroblastoma cells. *PLoS One.* 2012;7(4):e34405.
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 - 14. **Amente S**, Zhang J, Lavadera ML, Lania L, Avvedimento EV, Majello B. Myc and PI3K/AKT signaling cooperatively repress FOXO3a-dependent PUMA and GADD45a gene expression. *Nucleic Acids Res.* 2011 Dec;39(22):9498-507.
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