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WORK EXPERIENCE

- Dates (from - to) 2021 -
- Name and address of the employer Italian Agency for Cooperation and Development, project AID
Universidade Eduardo Mondlane - Center for Biotechnology
Maputo, Mozambique
- Type of business or sector International Cooperation
- Occupation or position held **Scientific Coordinator**

- Dates (from - to) 2020-
- Name and address of the employer Università degli Studi di Genova – Department of Earth, Environmental and Life Sciences
- Type of business or sector Academic
- Occupation or position held **Researcher RTDa – Microbiology (BIO/19)**

- Dates (from - to) 2017 – 2020
- Name and address of the employer DUPC2 project SMALL
IHE -Delft Institute for Water Education, Delft, The Netherlands
Maputo, Mozambique
- Type of business or sector International Cooperation
- Occupation or position held **Local Project Manager**

- Dates (from - to) 2017 – 2020
- Name and address of the employer Università degli Studi di Sassari - Department of Biomedical Sciences
- Type of business or sector Academic
- Occupation or position held **Post-doctoral fellow**

- Dates (from - to) 2012 – 2017
- Name and address of the employer
Università degli Studi di Sassari - Department of Biomedical Sciences
Universidade Eduardo Mondlane - Center for Biotechnology
Maputo, Mozambique
- Type of business or sector Academic
- Occupation or position held **Post-doctoral fellow**

- Dates (from - to) 2012 – 2020
- Name and address of the employer
Italian Agency for Cooperation and Development, projects AID10524,
AID11096.
Universidade Eduardo Mondlane - Center for Biotechnology
Maputo, Mozambique
- Type of business or sector International Cooperation
- Occupation or position held **Project Manager**

- Dates (from - to) 2012 – 2017
- Name and address of the employer
Università degli Studi di Sassari - Department of Biomedical Sciences
Universidade Eduardo Mondlane - Center for Biotechnology
Maputo, Mozambique
- Type of business or sector Academic
- Occupation or position held **Post-doctoral fellow**

- Dates (from - to) 2010 – 2012
- Name and address of the employer
Maryland Pathogen Research Institute, University of Maryland College Park,
MD, USA
- Type of business or sector Academic
- Occupation or position held **Post-doctoral fellow**

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- Dates (from - to) 2006-2010
- Name and type of organisation providing education and training
University of Maryland College Park - Maryland Pathogen Research Institute
- Principal subjects/occupational skills covered
Genomics and molecular epidemiology of mobile genetic elements in *Vibrio cholerae*
- Title of qualification awarded **PhD**

- Dates (from - to) 2005-2006
- Name and type of organisation providing education and training
University of Maryland - Center for Marine Biotechnology
- Principal subjects/occupational skills covered
Ecology, genomics and evolution of *Vibrios*
- Title of qualification awarded

- Dates (from - to) 1997 - 2004
- Name and type of organisation providing education and training
Università degli Studi di Roma - Sapienza
- Principal subjects/occupational skills covered
Mobile genetic elements in *Vibrio cholerae*
- Title of qualification awarded **B.S. in Biology**

TEACHING

- 2020 - University of Genoa. Lecturer. Courses: Molecular microbiology; Microbiology; Microbiology applied to the conservation and restoration of cultural heritage, Fundamentals of Bioinformatics.
- 2014-2020 University E. Mondlane. Master in Biotechnology, lecturer.
Courses: Introduction to biotechnology, biotechnology laboratory, molecular biology, host-pathogen interaction, Fundamentals of Bioinformatics.
- 2012-2020 University E. Mondlane. Supervisor of 6 Master thesis and one Doctoral dissertation
- 2003-2004 Sapienza University of Rome. Teaching assistant. General Microbiology class.

RESEARCH

- 2021 - Genomic evolution of *Vibrio cholerae* in the aquatic environment in areas affected by Cyclone IDAI in Mozambique. University of Genoa, Center of Biotechnology, University Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Mozambique; Italian Agency for Cooperation and Development.
- 2020 - Antibiotic resistance in marine microorganisms. University of Genoa
- 2020 - CIRCLES Controlling mIcRobiomes CircuLations for bETter food Systems. H2020
- 2018-2021 SMALL Water supply and sanitation in small towns: the urban-rural intersection. Mozambique UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education, Delft, The Netherlands
- 2016-2020 Molecular characterization and antibiotic resistance of *E. coli* isolated from children in Mozambique. National Institute of health of Mozambique; Center of Biotechnology, University Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Mozambique; Italian Agency for Cooperation and Development
- 2016-2019 Antibiotic resistance in *E. coli* isolated from cattle in Mozambique. Center of Biotechnology, University Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Mozambique; USDA, USA, Italian Agency for Cooperation and Development.
- 2015-2020 The occurrence and distribution of Rickettsia of zoonotic importance at Limpopo National Park in ticks, domestic animals, rodents and humans, using molecular and serological approaches. Center of Biotechnology, University Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Mozambique; Italian Agency for Cooperation and Development.
- 2012-2014 Molecular characterization of pathogenic *E. coli* isolated from patients admitted to the Pediatric wards of the Central Hospital of Maputo. Department of Microbiology, School of Medicine; Center of Biotechnology, University Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Mozambique; Italian Agency for Cooperation and Development.
- 2012-2014 Epidemiology of *Vibrio cholerae* in Mozambique. National Institute of health of Mozambique; Center of Biotechnology, University Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Mozambique; Italian Cooperation and Development Agency.
- 2012-2014 White spot syndrome virus detection and molecular characterization in shrimps. Center of Biotechnology, University Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Mozambique.
- 2012-2014 Human rickettsiosis. Center of Biotechnology, University Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Italian Agency for Cooperation and Development.
- 2009-2012 Ecology of *Vibrio cholerae* in Bangladesh. NIH, USA; University of Maryland College Park, Maryland; Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, US and the ICDDR, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- 2006-2011 Evaluation of Ballast water treatment systems. University of Maryland, State of Maryland and US Maritime Administration, Maryland, US.
- 2006-2008 Validation of Insigna bioinformatic platform. University of Maryland Center for Bioinformatics and Computational Biology, College Park, Maryland, US.
- 2002-2004 Environmental monitoring of a cholera endemic area in Mozambique. Sapienza University of Rome, AICS.

PERSONAL SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

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| MOTHER TONGUE | ITALIAN |
| OTHER LANGUAGES | ENGLISH , C1 WRITTEN AND SPOKEN; TOEFL (2006); GRE (2006); ACADEMIC WRITTEN ENGLISH CERTIFICATION, UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND (2008) PORTUGUESE , INTERMEDIATE (LEVEL B) WRITTEN AND SPOKEN |
| SCIENTIFIC SKILLS AND COMPETENCES | Molecular microbiologist with 20 years of experience in research focused on microbial genomics, HGT in microbial evolution, molecular epidemiology of enteric pathogens, genetic mechanisms underlying AMR, international public health. |
| RELEVANT ROLES AND COMPETENCES | Ten years experience in managing and supervising international scientific cooperation projects in Mozambique funded by the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS) promoting higher education, training and research in bioscience in Mozambique. Participation to international research projects as principal investigator: SMALL Water supply and sanitation in small towns: the urban-rural intersection. Center of Biotechnology, University Eduardo Mondlane, UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education, Delft, The Netherlands. Antibiotic resistance in <i>E. coli</i> isolated in Mozambique. Center of Biotechnology, University Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Mozambique; USDA, Beltsville, USA, |
| PUBLICATION INDEXES (SCOPUS) | NUMBER OF PUBLICATIONS: 53 TOTAL NUMBER OF CITATIONS: 1724 H-INDEX: 19 |

PUBLICATIONS

Taviani E, van den Berg H, Nhassengo F, Ngulube, Paulo J, Pedro O, Ferrero G, Occurrence of waterborne pathogens and antibiotic resistance in water supply systems in a small town in Mozambique. BMC microbiology 2022, 22(1) pp. 1-11

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Mondlane-Milisse A, Pedro O, Brito DR, Mulandane FC, De-Araújo L, Leão-Buchir J, Faliq J, Monjane-Mabuié A, Penina E, Omar MI, Ibraimo SV. White spot syndrome virus (WSSV) prevalence in wild and aquaculture crustacean populations from Mozambique, assessed by molecular diagnosis. Rendiconti Lincei. Scienze Fisiche e Naturali. 2022 Apr 16:1-1.

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Taviani, E., Pedro, O. Impact of the aquatic pathobiome in low-income and middle-income countries (LMICs) quest for safe water and sanitation practices. *Current Opinion in Biotechnology* 2022, 73, pp. 220–224

Taviani, E., Muchongo, A., Kim, S.W., Van Kessel, J.A.S., Haley, B.J. Genomic Analysis of Antibiotic-Resistant and-Susceptible *Escherichia coli* Isolated from Bovine Sources in Maputo, Mozambique. *Foodborne Pathogens and Disease* 2021, 18(6), pp. 426–435

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Magaia, V., Taviani, E., Cangi, N., Neves, L. Molecular detection of *Rickettsia africae* in *Amblyomma* ticks collected in cattle from Southern and Central Mozambique. *Journal of Infection in Developing Countries* 2020, 14(6), pp. 614–622

Santona A, Taviani E, Hoang HM, Fiamma M, Deligios M, Ngo TVQ, Van Le A, Cappuccinelli P, Rubino S, Paglietti B. Emergence of unusual vanA/vanB(2) genotype in a highly mutated vanB(2)-vancomycin-resistant hospital-associated *E. faecium* background in Vietnam. *Int J Antimicrob Agents*. 2018 Oct 10. pii:S0924-8579(18)30197-3. doi: 10.1016/j.ijantimicag.2018.07.006.

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conjugative element in *Vibrio cholerae*." FEBS Letters 583(22): 3630-3636

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Genova, 28.10.2022

Signature

