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CURRENT POSITION: PhD Student

ACADEMICS

2021 – PRESENT	<u>University of Genova & Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna</u> Ph.D. IMEG – Doctorate in Mechanical Engineering, Energy, and Management, curriculum Mechanics, Measurements and Materials, cycle XXXII, on Design Methods and Optimization Tools for the Development of Upper Limbs Exoskeletons.	Genova & Pisa, Italy
	Visiting Graduate Researcher at University of California Los Angeles (UCLA), Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Flexible Research Group, for research activities in compliant medical devices (September 25, 2023, to March 24, 2024).	Los Angeles, United States
2021 - 2022	IANUA, Scuola Superiore of the University of Genova Master II level in Change Management – curriculum Sustainability Sciences and Technologies (110/110). Thesis title: "Eco-Programming of Industrial Robots for Sustainable Manufacturing".	Genova, Italy
2018 – 2020	<u>University of Genova</u> Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering – Design and Production (110/110 with honors and dignity of print). Thesis title: "Preliminary Design and Virtual Prototyping of an Exoskeleton for Upper Limbs". MASTER THESIS AWARD 2021 – Special Mention , <i>ADM – National Association of Industrial Engineering Design and</i> <i>Methods.</i>	Genova, Italy
2015 - 2018	<u>University of Genova</u> Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering (110/110). Thesis title: "Design of the Elastic Element Rear End of the Mantis Mobile Robot".	Genova, Italy
OTHER TITLES		
Jun. 2021	<u>University of Genova</u> Professional Qualification to Practice as an Engineer.	Genova, Italy
2018 - 2020	IANUA, Scuola Superiore of the University of Genova Course of excellence: License Diploma, master level, curriculum Sustainability Science and Technology.	Genova, Italy
May 2019	University of Genova Training experience: Certificate with successful final examination "Module C" of the Training Course for "Prevention and Protection Service Managers" integral part of the "Environmental and Occupational Safety and Transversal Skills Course".	Genova, Italy
2016 - 2018	IANUA, Scuola Superiore of the University of Genova Course of excellence: License Diploma, first level, curriculum Sustainability Science and Technology.	Genova, Italy

SHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Nov. 2021 – PRESENT	Scholarship holder on competitive call for the Ph.D. IMEG – Doctorate in Mechanical Engineering, Energy, and Management, curriculum Mechanics, Measurements and Materials, cycle XXXII at the University of Genova & Institute of Mechanical Intelligence of the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Pisa, Italy.	Genova & Pisa, Italy
Feb. – Oct. 2021	Scholarship holder on competitive call for Postgraduate Research Activities on Exoskeletal Systems for Rehabilitation Purposes at the PercRo Perceptual Robotics Laboratory of the Institute of Mechanical Intelligence of the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Pisa, Italy.	Pisa, Italy
Sept. – Dec. 2019	Scholarship holder on competitive call for the European Union Program, Erasmus+ Mobility for the purpose of study at the University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom.	Edinburgh, United Kingdom
Abroad Experiences		
Sept. 2023 – March 2024	<u>University of California Los Angeles (UCLA)</u> Visiting Graduate Researcher (PhD Student) on compliant mechanisms.	Los Angeles, US
Sept. – Dec. 2019	<u>University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom.</u> European Union Program, Erasmus+ Mobility for the purpose of study.	Edinburgh, UK

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Publications

- 1. G. Vazzoler, S. Shimohara, G. Berselli1, J. B. Hopkins, "Design Methodology and Physical Prototyping of a Binary Stiffness, Rotary Motion, Compliant Mechanism with Multiple, Decoupled, Degrees-of-Freedom", *International Design Engineering Technical Conferences & Computers and Information in Engineering Conference (IDETC-CIE 2024)*, <u>ACCEPTED</u>.
- G. Vazzoler, C. Camardella, M. Gabardi, S. Marcheschi, M. Solazzi, G. Berselli, A. Frisoli, "Design and Performance Assessment of a Modular, Cable-Driven, 3-DoFs Exoskeleton for Orthopedic and Post-Stroke Rehabilitation of the Wrist", IEEE/ASME Transactions on Mechatronics, 2024 (*Q1 Journal Article*, <u>UNDER REVISION</u>).
- **3. G. Vazzoler**, C. Camardella, M. Gabardi, S. Marcheschi, M. Solazzi, G. Berselli, A. Frisoli, "Evaluating Efficacy of Continuous Assistance Control during Orientation Tasks with an Active Wrist Exoskeleton", *21st International Conference on Advanced Robotics (ICAR 2023)*, <u>doi:</u> 10.1109/ICAR58858.2023.10406536.
- M. Gallerani, G. Vazzoler, G. De Novi, M. P. Ottensmeyer, R. Razzoli, G. Berselli, "Integrated Design and Prototyping of a Robotic Eye System for Ocular and Craniofacial Trauma Simulators", *International Journal on Interactive Design and Manufacturing*, 2023 (Q2 Journal Article, doi: 10.1007/s12008-023-01364-y).
- G. Vazzoler, G. Berselli, A. Frisoli, "A Concept for a Gravity-Balanced Upper-Limb Exoskeleton", 4th Italian Conference for Robotics and Intelligent Machines (I-RIM 2022) (BEST PAPER AWARD, finalist), <u>https://zenodo.org/records/7531238</u>.
- 6. F. Merlo, G. Vazzoler, G. Berselli, "A Computer-Aided Tool for the Energy Optimization of Industrial Robots in Manufacturing Applications", *International Joint Conference on Mechanics, Design Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing (JCM 2022) (In book: Advances on Mechanics, Design Engineering and Manufacturing IV), 2023*, doi: 10.1007/978-3-031-15928-2 1.
- 7. F. Merlo, G. Vazzoler, G. Berselli, "Eco-Programming of Industrial Robots for Sustainable Manufacturing via Dynamic Time Scaling of Trajectories", *Robotics and Computer-Integrated Manufacturing*, 2023 (*Q1 Journal Article*), doi: 10.1016/j.rcim.2022.102420.
- 8. F. Merlo, G. Vazzoler, G. Berselli, "Eco-Programming of Industrial Robots for Sustainable Manufacturing", 31st International Conference on Flexible Automation and Intelligent Manufacturing (FAIM 2022), fast track to RCIM journal (BEST PAPER AWARD).
- 9. G. Vazzoler, P. Bilancia, M. Fontana, A. Frisoli, G. Berselli, "Analysis and Preliminary Design of a Passive Upper Limb Exoskeleton", *IEEE Transactions on Medical Robotics and Bionics, 2022 (Special*

Section entitled on 20th International Conference on Advanced Robotics - ICAR2021) (Journal Article), doi: 10.1109/TMRB.2022.3186903.

 G. Vazzoler, P. Bilancia, M. Fontana, A. Frisoli, G. Berselli, "Preliminary Design and Virtual Prototyping of an Upper Limb Exoskeleton", 20th International Conference on Advanced Robotics (ICAR 2021), doi: 10.1109/ICAR53236.2021.9659373.

Memberships

ASME – The American Society of Mechanical Engineers • IEEE – Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

Chair/co-Chair in international conferences

SMASIS 2023 – ASME's Premier Conference on Smart Materials, Adaptive Structures, and Intelligent Systems, Austin, Texas, USA, 10-13 Sept. 2023.

Reviewer for international journals

ASME – Journal of Mechanical Design, ISSN: 1050-0472 • IEEE/ASME – Transaction on Mechatronics, ISSN: 1083-4435 • IEEE – Robotics and Automation Magazine, ISSN: 1070-9932 • IEEE – Transactions on Haptics, ISSN: 19391412 • Elsevier – International Journal of Mechanical Sciences, ISSN: 207403 • Elsevier – Mechanism and Machine Theory, ISSN: 0094-114X • Springer International Journal on Interactive Design and Manufacturing, ISSN: 19552513 • Springer, Journal of the Brazilian Society of Mechanical Sciences and Engineering, ISSN: 16785878.

Reviewer for international conferences

ASME – SMASIS, Conference on Smart Materials, Adaptive Structures, and Intelligent Systems • IEEE – ICAR, International Conference on Advanced Robotics • IEEE – ICORR, International Conference on Rehabilitation Robotic • IEEE – ICRA, International Conference on Robotics and Automation • IEEE – RoboSoft, International Conference on Soft Robotics • IEEE – WHC, World Haptics Conference • JCM, International Joint Conference on Mechanics, Design Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing.

NOTABLE ACADEMIC PROJECTS

2023 – 2026	University of Genova
(ONGOING)	EU Project SMERF: Preparing companies for a greener future. Budget: 2.49 m€.
2022 – 2026 (ONGOING)	<u>University of Genova</u> EU Project IntelliMan: AI-Powered Manipulation System for Advanced Robotic Service, Manufacturing and Prosthetics. Budget: 4.5 m€.
2022 – 2026	University of Genova
(ONGOING)	EU Project Fit4MedRob: Fit for Medical Robotics (MUR (PNRR)). Budget: 1.8 m€.
2020 - 2023	Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna National research project RoboGym: Robotic Gym for shoulder and upper limb rehabilitation. Budget: 350 000 €.

PATENTS

- 1. **Esoscheletro robotico di polso,** deposit: 13/10/2023; inventors: G. Berselli, A. Frisoli, M. Gabardi, M. Solazzi, G. Vazzoler.
- 2. Arto Protesico Superiore Motorizzato Avente una Configurazione Costruttiva Ottimizzata, deposit: 27/09/2023; inventors: G. Berselli, M. Baggetta, G. Vazzoler, G. Palli, C. Melchiorri.

ACTIVITIES AT UNIVERSITY LEVEL

University of Genova

Teaching support from 2021 (ONGOING) for the courses of Prof. Giovanni Berselli.

- Assistant Instructor (Master's Degree Course in Mechanical Engineering Design and Production (Cod. 9269, class LM-33)): Design of Automatic Machinery and Robots (Cod. 86927) (Italian) • Design of Automatic Machinery and Robots (Cod. 98960) (English).
- *Member of the examination board* (Bachelor's Degree Course in Mechanical Engineering (Cod. 8720, class L-9); Master's Degree Course in Mechanical Engineering Design and Production (Cod. 9269,

class LM-33): Industrial Technical Design (Cod. 56657) (Italian) • Design of Automatic Machinery and Robots (Cod. 86927) (Italian) • Design of Automatic Machinery and Robots (Cod. 98960) (English).

• *Supervisor* of Bachelor's and Master's students.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

2018 - 2019	<u>University of Genova</u> Part-time collaboration activities (secretary work).
2012 - 2020	<u>Personal job/Hobby</u> Study aid in Math/Physics/English for elementary/high school students (family and friends) • Work aid as a commercial agent (dad's job).

LANGUAGES CERTIFICATES

Feb. 2023	Duolingo English Test, 120/160 (EU level C1/C2)
Dec. 2019	<u>Erasmus+ OLS</u> Diploma of English as a foreign language (EU level C1).
	Cambridge English Language Assesment, University of Cambridge First Certificate in English (EU level B2).

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Softwares MATLAB • PTC Creo • ANSYS Mechanical APDL/Workbench • MBD RecurDyn • Windows Office Package • Adobe Illustrator • LaTeX.

Genova, Italy, 05/08/2024