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Education/Training/Experience

Institute and Location	Degree / Function	Year	Field of Study
Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn, Napoli (Italy)	Researcher	2021-present	Integrative taxonomy and ecology of benthic community
CoNISMA-Università del Salento (Italy)	Project Manager	2021-2021	SEAVIEWS (Project N° ADRION951)
Università Politecnica delle Marche (Italy)	Postdoc	2013-2020	Study of the benthic community of hard and soft bottom in the Mediterranean Sea at different scale level
Università Politecnica delle Marche (Italy)	Ph.D. in Marine Ecology and Biology	2009-2012	Morphology and Ecology of Stylasteridae (Cnidaria, Hydrozoa)
Università Politecnica delle Marche (Italy)	Master's degree in Marine Biology	2006-2009	Hydroids and Sponges associated with Octocorals from the Indo-Pacific Ocean: Taxonomical and Morphological aspects
Università di Pisa (Italy)	Master's degree in Environmental	1998-2005	Study of the effect of the increasing sedimentation on a coralligenous

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Appointments and awards

2020 Editor of WORMS for the Stylasteridae family.

2019 AMF/AMRI Visiting Collections Fellowship (Australian Museum). Project title: “Stylasterid corals from the Australian Museum: identification and biogeographic implications” at Australian Museum (Sydney, Australia).

2019 SYNTHESYS + Project which is financed by European Community <http://www.synthesys.info/>. Project title: “Stylasterids corals from the deep-sea seamounts of New Caledonia Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)” at Muséum National d’Histoire Naturelle (Paris, France).

2018 JOHN & LAURINE PROUD FELLOWSHIP founded by The Lizard Island Reef Research Foundation. Project title: “Stylasterid corals at Lizard Island” at the Australian Museum’s Lizard Island Research Station, Great Barrier Reef (Australiana).

2015 Smithsonian Short Term Visitor at the National Museum of Natural History (NMNH) (USA) to study the Stylasteridae collection.

2013 Project title “HyDRa: Hydroid Diversity of the Northern Red Sea” at the Marine Station IUI, Eilat (Israel) financed by the European Project “ASSEMBLE” (EU FP7 research infrastructure initiative comprising a network of marine research stations <http://www.assemblemarine.org/>).

2012 Grant for the access to the SYRMEP at the Elettra Synchrotron Light Laboratory, Trieste (Italy) (<http://www.elettra.eu/>).

2011 SYNTHESYS Project financed by European Community Research Infrastructure Action (FP7 Integrating Activities Programme <http://www.synthesys.info/>) at the Netherlands Centre for Biodiversity Naturalis di Leiden (The Netherland).

2011 SYNTHESYS Project financed by European Community Research Infrastructure Action (FP7 Integrating Activities Programme <http://www.synthesys.info/>) at the Natural History Museum in London (United Kingdom).

Publications

Author of 42 publications on ISI-journals (h index: 11)

List of publications peer-reviewed of the last 10 years (2010-present):

D. Maggioni, A. Garese, D. Huang, B.W. Hoeksema, R. Arrigoni, D. Seveso, P. Galli, M.L. Berumen, E. Montalbetti, D. Pica, F. Torsani, S. Montano (2021). Diversity, host specificity and biogeography in the Cladocorynidae (Hydrozoa, Capitata), with description of a new genus. *Cladistics*, in press.

D. Pica, L. Galanti, L. Pola (2021). First records of the seagrass *Halophila stipulacea* in Sardinia (Tyrrhenian Sea, Italy). In: Orfanidis, S.; Alvito, A.; Azzurro, E.; Badreddine, A.; Ben Souissi, J.; Chamorro, M.; Crocetta, F.; Dalyan, C.; Fortic, A.; Galanti, L.; et al. New alien mediterranean biodiversity records (March 2021). *Mediterr. Mar. Sci.* 2021, 22, 180–198.

- C. Di Camillo, S. Arossa, D. Pica, A. Bastari, F. Torsani, C. Cerrano (2021). Phenology of *Anemonia viridis* and *Exaiptasia diaphana* (Cnidaria: Anthozoa) from marine temperate ecosystems. Mediterranean Marine Science, 22 (1): 40-50.
- L. Pola, B. Calcinai, D. Pica, C. Di Camillo, D. Martin, C. Cerrano (2020). Updating the current knowledge on the relationships between *Haplosyllis chamaeleon* Laubier, 1960 (Annelida, Syllidae) and *Paramuricea clavata* (Risso, 1826) (Cnidaria, Plexauridae) in the Mediterranean Sea. Marine Biodiversity, 50(6): 105
- B. Calcinai, G. Belfiore, D. Pica, F. Torsani, M. Palma, C. Cerrano (2020). Porifera from Ponta do Ouro (Mozambique). European Journal of Taxonomy, in press.
- D. Maggioni, R. Arrigoni, D. Seveso, P. Galli, M.L. Berumen, V. Denis, B.W. Hoeksema, D. Huang, F. Manca, D. Pica, S. Puce, J.D. Reimer, S. Montano (2020). Evolution and biogeography of the *Zanclea*-Scleractinia symbiosis. Coral Reefs, on line
- C. Roveta, D. Pica, B. Calcinai, F. Girolametti, C. Truzzi, S. Illuminati, A. Annibaldi, S. Puce (2020). Hg Levels in Marine Porifera of Montecristo and Giglio Islands (Tuscan Archipelago, Italy). Applied Science 10, 4342; doi:10.3390/app10124342
- A. Zweifler, N. Simon-Blecher, D. Pica, B.K.K. Chan, J. Roth, Y. Achituv (2020). A stranger among us: the occurrence of *Cantellius* (Balnoidea: Pyrgomatidae) an epibiont of scleractinias in stylasterids (Hydrozoa). Zoological Journal of the Linnean Society, 190(4): 1077–1094.
- L. Pola, C. Cerrano, D. Pica, V. Markantonatou, M.C. Gambi, B. Calcinai (2020). Macrofaunal communities in the Gioia Canyon (Southern Tyrrhenian Sea, Italy). European Zoological Journal, 87(1):122–130.
- C. Cerrano, A. Bastari, B. Calcinai, C. Di Camillo, D. Pica, S. Puce, L. Valisano, F. Torsani (2019). Temperate mesophotic ecosystems: gaps and perspectives of an emerging conservation challenge for the Mediterranean Sea. European Zoological Journal, 86(1):370-388
- D. Pica, N. Bloecher, A. Dell'Anno, A. Bellucci, T. Pinto, L. Pola, S. Puce (2019). Dynamics of a biofouling community in finfish aquaculture: a case study from the South Adriatic Sea. Biofouling, 35(6):696-709.
- C. Roveta, D. Pica, S. Puce (2019). The cnidome of *Olindias muelleri* (Cnidaria: Hydrozoa: Limnomedusae) from South Adriatic Sea. Zoomorphology, 138(4):437-442.
- S.D. Cairns, D. Pica (2019). A new *Distichopora* species (Cnidaria: Stylasteridae) from the mesophotic zone of Palau. Pacific Science 73(4):493-499.
- F. Manca, S. Puce, A. Caragnano, D. Maggioni, D. Pica, D. Seveso, P. Galli, S. Montano (2019). Symbiont footprints highlight the diversity of scleractinian-associated *Zanclea* hydrozoans (Cnidaria, Hydrozoa). Zoologica Scripta, 48:399-410.
- C. Roveta, G. Bavestrello, M. Montefalcone, D. Pica, S. Puce (2019). Asymmetrical distribution of *Distichopora violacea* (Cnidaria: Hydrozoa) in four Maldivian atolls. European Zoological Journal, 86:9-19.

- A. Bastari, D. Pica, F. Ferretti, F. Micheli, C. Cerrano (2018). CORRIGENDUM: Sea pens in the Mediterranean Sea: diversity distributions and opportunities for ecosystem recovery. ICES Journal of Marine Science (2018), 75(6):2289–2291.
- D. Pica, B. Calcinai, A. Poliseno, E. Trainito, C. Cerrano (2018). Distribution and phenotypic variability of the Mediterranean gorgonian *Paramuricea macrospina* (Cnidaria, Octocorallia). European Zoological Journal, 85:393-409.
- A. Rosso, E. Di Martino, D. Pica, L. Galanti, C. Cerrano, M. Novosel (2018). Non-indigenous bryozoan species from natural and artificial substrata of Mediterranean submarine caves. Marine Biodiversity 48:1345–1355.
- M. Palma, M. R. Casado, U. Pantaleo, G. Pavoni, D. Pica, C. Cerrano (2018). SfM-Based method to asses gorgonian forests (*Paramuricea clavata* (Cnidaria, Octocorallia)). Remote Sensing 10, 1154.
- C.G. Di Camillo, C. Gravili, D. De Vito, D. Pica, S. Piraino, S. Puce, C. Cerrano (2018). The importance of applying Standardized Integrative Taxonomy (SIT) to describe marine benthic organisms and to collect ecological data. The Hydrozoa as example. Invertebrate Systematics 32:794–802.
- D. Pica, G. Bavestrello, S. Puce (2018). First record of *Lepidopora* (Hydrozoa: Stylasteridae) from the North Pacific Ocean with the description of a new species. Pacific Science 72(2):245–250.
- R. Danovaro, E. Nepote, M. Lo Martire, C. Ciotti, G. De Grandis, C. Corinaldesi, L. Carugati, C. Cerrano, D. Pica, C.G. Di Camillo, A. Dell'Anno (2018). Eco-sustainable impact of beach nourishment on macrofaunal recruitment/settlement in coastal sediments of the Adriatic Sea (Central Mediterranean). Marine Pollution Bulletin, 128:259–266.
- A. Bastari, D. Pica, F. Ferretti, F. Micheli, C. Cerrano (2018). Sea pens in the Mediterranean Sea: diversity distributions and opportunities for ecosystem recovery. ICES Journal of Marine Science 75 (5):1722–1732.
- A. Tribollet, D. Pica, S. Puce, S.E. Campbell, G Radtke, S. Golubic (2017). Euendolithic *Conchocelis* stage (Bangiales, Rhodophytes) in the skeletons of live stylasterid reef corals. Marine Biodiversity, 48:1855-1862.
- M.C. de Francesco, C. Cerrano, D. Pica, D. D'Onofrio, A. Stanisci (2017). Characterization of Teatina coast marine habitats (central Adriatic Sea) toward an Integrated Coastal Management. Oceanography and Fishery. 5(1): 555653.
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- D. Seveso, S. Montano, D. Pica, D. Maggioni, P. Galli, V. Allevi, A. Bastari, S. Puce (2016). *Pteroclava krempfi*-octocoral symbiosis: new information from the Indian Ocean and the Red Sea. Marine Biodiversity 46(6):483-487.
- B. Calcinai, M. Bertolino, G. Bavestrello, S. Montori, M. Mori, D. Pica, L. Valisano, C. Cerrano (2015) Comparison between the sponge fauna living outside and inside the coralligenous bioconstruction. A quantitative approach. Mediterranean Marine Science 16(2):413-418.
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- S. Montano, R. Arrigoni, D. Pica, D. Maggioni, S. Puce (2015) New insights into the symbiosis between *Zanclea* (Cnidaria, Hydrozoa) and scleractinians. Zoologica Scripta 44:92-105.
- D. Pica, C. Cerrano, S. Montori, D.M. Makapedua, S. Puce (2014) A surviving out-of-water stylasterid. Marine Biodiversity, 44 (4):469-470.
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- B. Calcinai, G. Bavestrello, M. Bertolino, D. Pica, D. Wagner, C. Cerrano (2013). Sponges associated with octocorals in the Pacific Ocean with the description of four new species. Zootaxa 3617(1):1-61.
- E. Gaino, F. Scoccia, D. M. Makapedua, D. Pica, G. Bavestrello, S. Puce (2013). Some spermatogenic steps in *Distichopora* sp. (Cnidaria, Hydrozoa, Stylasteridae): ultrastructural aspects. Zoomorphology, 132(2):121-128.
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