

# ***Curriculum vitae***

## ***Raffaella Casotti***

Staff Scientist at Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn since 2000 (Senior Scientist since 2016)

Contract Professor of the University of Naples Federico II (Environmental Impact Assessment) from 2010 to 2016

Research interests: Microbial ecology, microbial plastisphere, bacterial diversity, biological oceanography, phytoplankton ecology, physiology, ecotoxicology, flow cytometry

### ***Education and Training***

Doctorate in Environmental Sciences, University of Messina, Italy

MSc in Natural Sciences at the University of Naples "Federico II"

Visiting Investigator at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole, USA 1988-1990

Contract and Graduate Fellow at the Station Biologique de Roscoff, France 1991-1993

Research Fellow (art. 23) at the Stazione Zoologica "Anton Dohrn" of Naples 1994-1996

### ***Management and Responsibilities***

SZN Representative in the Italian Oceanographic Commission since 2020 and member of Working Group since 2012

Member of the EMBRC Working Group for Omic Observatories of EMBRC (EMOBON) since 2020

Member of the Operational Committee of the European Marine Omics Biodiversity Observation Network (EMOBON) since 2021

Co-Chair of the Consultation event of EuroSea "omics & eDNA in regional ocean observation" November 2020 (to be repeated in February 2023)

Chair-elected of the Gordon Research Conference in Marine Microbes, Il Ciocco (LU) 2012

Vice Chair of the Gordon Conference on Marine Microbes in Tilton (USA) 2010

Member of the Board of the PhD Program in Veterinary Sciences of the Università degli Studi Federico II since 2014

Member of the Comitato di Indirizzo of the Scuola di Scienze Biologiche e Biotecnologiche of the University of Urbino-Carlo Bo since 2017

Member of the Expert Evaluators List of the European Commission (H2020 Advisory Group), of the French Agence National de la Recherche (ANR), of the Italian REPRISE, of the Dutch Research Foundation Flanders (FWO), this last from January 2023.

Member of the Evaluation Committee of the French Institut Méditerranéen d'Océanologie (MIO) in 2022

Member of the Scientific Committee and Evaluation Board of the List of Expert Cytometrists of the Italian Society of Cytometry (GIC) since 2014

Member of the Consiglio Direttivo of the Italian Society of Cytometry (GIC) 2001-2013

Member of the Consiglio di Presidenza of the Associazione Italiana di Oceanografia e Limnologia 2012-2014

Outreach officer for the Research Mode Project "ROSEMELB" within the Network of Excellence MARBEF, 2009-2014

Member of the Task Force of the European Marine Biology Resource Center (EMBRC) for project proposals

Member of the Editorial Boards of the journals *Marine Ecology* from 2009 to 2020; *PLoS One* since 2018; *Journal of Marine Science and Engineering* since 2020

Project Evaluator for the European Commission (FP5, FP6, FP7 (Marie Curie, Integrated Projects and CSA), H2020 (RI))

Project Evaluator for the French Research Agency (ANR), the German one (EVAL-INCO), the Royal Dutch Research Foundation, the Rumanian Research Agency (2016) and the CNR (ship requests), MIUR (PRIN projects), the "Caixa" Foundation (Spain), EuroMarine (projects).

Member of the Selection Committee for the public call for Researcher (T.I.) at the INOGS 2016

Member of the Selection Committee for the public call for Technologist (T.I.) at SZN 2012

Member of the Selection Committee for 8 trainees for the PON EMSO MedIT (written and oral exams) 2014

### ***Responsibilities at SZN***

Coordinator of the Core Facility “Management and Ecology of Temperate and Polar Coastal Areas”, the Fishery Service, the Stabulario and the Service of Taxonomy and Identification of Marine Phytoplankton of the SZN 2012-2014  
Coordinator of the PhD Program of the SZN 2012- 2017  
Member of the Seminar Committee of SZN 2012-2014  
Member of SZN “Struttura Tecnica per il Piano della Performance” 2012-2014  
Responsible for Management of R/V Vettoria 2012-2014  
Scientific Manager of the Agreement between SZN and Istituto Nazionale di Oceanografia e di Geofisica Sperimentale 2017  
Scientific Manager of the Agreement between SZN and Università degli Studi di Urbino Carlo Bo since 2017  
Scientific Manager of the Agreement between SZN and Università Politecnica delle Marche 2014-2017  
SZN Representative for project proposals in the framework of the “Marine Observatory” 2016  
Member of 11 Testing Committee (Commissioni di Collaudo di beni e servizi) of SZN (10 as President) 2014-2016  
Member of 4 Tender Committee (2 as President) 2014-2017  
Scientific Manager of the Agreement between SZN and Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Mezzogiorno for the project “Prevalenza e caratterizzazione molecolare di ceppi di Clostridium difficile isolati da molluschi eduli lamellibranchi di diversa origine” 2014  
SZN Responsible for the Commissa “TERNA1-Attuazione del piano di monitoraggio ambientale nell’area marina interessata della realizzazione dell’elettrodotto 150 kV “Nuova Stazione Elettrica Capri-CP Torre Annunziata Centro” 2014-2019.  
Coordinator of the internal Program 5 of SZN “Meccanismi che regolano i processi biologici e l’ecologia del plancton” 2014  
Responsabile Unico del Procedimento for the EMSO MedIT Project 2014  
Scientific Manager of the Agreement between SZN and Istituto Nazionale di Geofisica e Vulcanologia (INGV) for projects EMSO MedIT and IRMA 2013-2016  
SZN Representative in the event “Napoli-Shanghai” organized by the Consolato Generale d’Italia at Shanghai 2013  
RUP for the International Course in Microbial Ecology” 2012  
Member of 25 Selecting Committee for Assegni di Ricerca, Bourses or Contratti di Collaborazione della SZN (13 as President) 2011-2020  
Scientific Manager of the Agreement between SZN and the National Science Council of Taiwan 2008-2016

### ***Organization of Courses and Scientific Meetings***

2016 Chair of the Session “Agriculture, soil, forest mirobiology, Environmental, marine, aquatic, Geomicrobiology” of the VI International Conference on Environmental, Industrial and Applied Microbiology, Barcelona (Spain)  
Co-Coordinator and Teacher of the ”International Course in Microbial Ecology” within the Project INCOMMET, Naples 2012  
Chair-elected of the Gordon Research Conference “Marine Microbes, Il Ciocco (LU) 24-28 Giugno 2012.  
Co-Coordinator and Teacher of the Course on Environmental applications of Cytometry at the National School of the Italian Society of Cytometry 2001-2013  
Co-coordinator and Teacher of the Summer Course in “Plankton Bloom Dynamics . An integrative approach using molecular and genomic tools” Barcelona (Spain) 2007  
Member of the Scientific Committee of the Advanced Course “Chemical ecology and bioassay methods” within the Network of Excellence “MARBEF” Tjarno (Sweden) 2006  
Coordinator and Teacher of the Advanced Course “The Role of Flow cytometry in Marine Biodiversity and Ecosystem Functioning” within the Network of Excellence “MARBEF”, Naples 2004  
Member of the Scientific Committee of the XVIII Conferenza Nazionale di Citometria, Rome 2001

### ***Professional Affiliations***

American Society of Limnology and Oceanography (ASLO) since 1989  
American Geophysical Union (AGU) since 1989  
International Society for Analytical Cytology (ISAC) 2006-2012  
Associazione Italiana di Limnologia e Oceanografia (AIOL)  
Società Italiana di Citometria (GIC) since 2000  
Marie Curie Fellowship Association (MCFA) since 2000  
Società Italiana di Biologia Marina (SIBM) 1987-2005

## **Mentoring, examinations and referee**

Supervisor of 8 PhD candidates (6 for the Open University, 2 of the University of Messina), co-supervisor of 1 from University of Naples Federico II; Supervisor of 6 MSc thesis

Examiner of 2 Doctorates in France, 1 in China, 2 in the UK, 5 in Australia and 1 Habilitation à Diriger la Recherche in France. Panel Chair of 3 English PhD theses (Open University).

Referee for several international scientific journals such as Nature, PNAS, Journal of Plankton Research, Cytometry, Limnology and Oceanography, Marine Biology, Aquatic Toxicology, PLoS One, Protist

## **Current Projects**

- 2022-2026 HORIZON-CL6-2022-BIODIV-010-01 (Observing and mapping biodiversity and ecosystems, with particular focus on coastal and marine ecosystems) Project Observing And Mapping Marine Ecosystems-NEXT Generation Tools (OBAMA-NEXT) (319.176,00 euro to SZN). SZN Principal Investigator.
- 2022-2026 HORIZON-CL6-2021-BIODIV-01-03MARINE BIODIVERSITY ASSESSMENT AND PREDICTION ACROSS SPATIAL AND HUMAN SCALES (BIOcean5D) (€727.937,50 to SZN). Partner, responsible for sampling and data gathering and elaboration
- 2020-2023 Project JPI Ocean “MicroplastiX” (150.000,00 euro to SZN) Integrated approach on the fate of microplastics, towards healthy marine ecosystems. SZN Principal Investigator and Co-Coordinator of WP3
- 2020-2022 Italian Project “SNAPSHOT”. SZN Project Manager and coordinator of activities. Member of the writing team
- 2020-2024 H2020 “AtlantECO”. Partner, Responsible for estimates of microplastics and microbial communities estimates in the Atlantic Ocean
- 2020- 2023 H2020-BG-2018-2020 Project “TechOceans” “Technologies for Ocean Sensing” (163.400,00 euro to SZN). Partner, responsible for testing of new cytometric and genomic sensors
- 2018- 2022 H2020-BG-2018-2020 Project “EuroSea” “European Contribution to the Future of the Seas and Oceans Flagship Initiative” (220.000,00 euro to SZN). Partner, Responsible for networking of ocean observatories and Member of the Gender and Diversity Board

## **Past Projects**

- 2018-2021 Project PON “Place” ARS01\_00891 “Conversione di Piattaforme Offshore per usi multipli ecosostenibili – PlaCE”. (700.000,00 euro to SZN). Responsible for water column sampling of marine bacteria and phytoplankton through flow cytometry
- 2018-2020 Progetto Bandiera MicroMare – (100.000,00 euro). Co-PI Scientific Responsible for the analyses of bacterial communities on microplastics in the Gulf of Naples and their effects on the sea urchins
- 2015 French ENVIMED MENAPHY project (Training- travel support). Responsible for training in high frequency flow cytometry
- 2015 Contratto IZP ME2 (Istituto Zooprofilattico Per il Mezzogiorno) “Prevalenza e caratterizzazione molecolare di ceppi di *Clostridium difficile* isolati da molluschi eduli lamellibranchi di diversa origine” (4.250 €). Coordinator for sampling and analyses
- 2015 –Giunta Regionale della Campania - Finanziamento di 1 Assegno di Ricerca (24.500 euro). Recruitment and training of a trainee on the characterization of bacterial communities through CARD-FISH and flow cytometry
- 2014-2019 Commessa TERNA (476.410,00 euro to SZN) for environmental monitoring. SZN Project Manager and Coordinator for sampling and analyses
- 2014-2015 Convenzione di Ricerca STRATEGIA MARINA (100.000,00 euro). Project Management and Coordination of sampling and data acquisition and report elaboration
- 2013 Project CEFA (Funzionamento degli ecosistemi costieri in un Oceano Antartico in cambiamento) National Program in Antarctic Research. Responsible of Operational Unit SZN
- 2013 Premiale MIUR “IRMA” (Implementation and Remote connection of a platform for the real time monitoring of MArine microorganisms” Fondi MIUR (388.100,00 €). Science and Project Manager
- 2013-2014 Project SZN n.5 “Meccanismi che regolano i processi biologici e l’ecologia del plancton (87.349,00). Project Manager and Responsible for bacterial communities characterization in the Gulf of Naples
- 2013-2016 PON3 PAC00044 EMSO MED IT (2.006.180,00 € to SZN). SZN Project Manager and Science Manager, WP2 Coordinator
- 2013-2016 Progetto Bandiera Nazionale RITMARE (2012-2015 SP3\_WP2\_AZ1\_UO2 and SP3\_WP3\_AZ1\_UO3 (200.000 € 85.700,00+114.300,00 per il I periodo). Coordinator of 2 Unità Operative of the for 1) application of

continuous flow cytometry for marine plankton monitoring in the Gulf of Naples and the Northern Adriatic Sea 2) bacterial communities characterization by coupling flow cytometry, CARD-FISH, metagenomics and metatranscriptomics 2013-2015

2012-2015 FP7 EC CSA INCOMMET (Improving National Capacities in Observation and Management of Marine Environment in Tunisia) (36.427€ to SZN). Responsible for training in flow cytometry and TOK through stages at SZN. Member of Steering Committee. SZN Project manager

2012-2015 Contratto ISCHIA GAS (since 2012) (Monitoring of Posidonia prairies in Ischia) (372.400 €). Sampling coordinator, SZN project manager

2012-2016 EC CBC- ENPI S&T Med Project (Sustainability and Tourism in the Mediterranean Area) (480.137 € to SZN). Project Manager and Science Manager for SZN. Coordinator of WP7 (Sites Monitoring)

2010 Progetto Premiale MIUR “MICGEN” MICrobial GENomics – Fondi MIUR (10.000,00 € circa). Scientific responsible for bacterial metagenomics, project manager

2003-2006 ISMAR – OBASI (45.000,00 euro). Partner, Coordinator of the sampling and data collection, fund management

### **Public Engagement**

2022 Tutor for the Marine Biology Course PTOF of Liceo Genovesi di Napoli with the Lega Navale Italiana, Sezione di Napoli

2022 Organizer of the cycle of seminars “La Scienza ci lega” at the Lega Navale Italiana, Sezione di Napoli

2020 Presenter at the Comitato “Le Monache”

2019 Presenter at the Museo Virtuale of Ercolano

2018 Presenter at “Futuro Remoto - Rigenerazioni”, Naples

2016 Presenter at “Futuro Remoto - Il Mare”, Naples

2014 Presenter at the Event “La Scienza è donna” Città della Scienza

2014 Collaborator for video material (videobrochure) of the SZN

2013 Partner for the Meeting “Mare Nostrum” of the Rotary Club Napoli Castel Sant’Elmo

2013 Collaborator for video material of the Exposition “Fridtjof Nansen, Esploratore e Scienziato” Città della Scienza

2013 Collaborator for the Event “Ecologicamente: la Fiera dei Beni Comuni” in Naples

2012 Member of the Comitato “Scienza e Società” of SZN for the meeting on the “Guarigione”

2012 - Tutor for the Progetto PON “L’ambiente marino Azione C3 FSE 2010-764- Programmazione dei Fondi Strutturali Europei 2007/2013-Iniziativa “LE(g)ALI AL SUD: UN PROGETTO PER LA LEGALITA’ IN OGNI SCUOLA” Gennaio-Aprile 2012

2011 Progject TWIST - Gender Day of Città della Scienza. Public Presentation

2010 member of the Comitato di Redazione of SZN

1999- Expert Trainer at the Istituto Professionale “G.Falcone” di Sava (TA)

### **Scientific Publications (\*corresponding author) Google Scholar H index 33; 4245 citations**

Zingone A., **Casotti R.**, Ribera D’Alcalà M., Scardi M., Marino D. (1995) “St. Martin’s summer”: the case of autumn phytoplankton bloom in the Gulf of Naples (Mediterranean Sea). *Journal of Plankton Res.* 17(3): 575-593.

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Ribera D’Alcalà M., Carrada G.C., **Casotti R.**, Modigh M., Saggiomo V. E Vescia S. 1985. Osservazioni sulla distribuzione verticale di ossigeno e clorofilla a nelle acque esterne al Golfo di Napoli. *Nova Thalassia* 7(3): 129-135.

Carrada G.C., **Casotti R.**, Modigh M. E Saggiomo V. 1991. Presence of *Gymnodinium catenatum* (Dinophyceae) in a coastal Mediterranean lagoon. *J. Plankton Res.* 13(1): 229-238.

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Vaulot D., Partenski F. e **Casotti R.** 1993- Application of flow cytometric and microfluorometric DNA measurements to phytoplankton studies. *ICES Marine Sciences Symposia*, 197: 286.

Marie D., **Casotti R.**, Simon N., Partensky F. e Vaulot D. 1993- Flow cytometric measurements of Prochlorococcus and bacteria cell concentration, cell scatter, pigment fluorescence and cell cycle. In: *Prochlorococcus workshop*, Station Biologique de Roscoff, 40-44.

Cariou V., **Casotti R.**, Birrien J.-L. and Vaulot D. 1994- The initiation of *Phaeocystis* colonies. *Journal of Plankton Research* 16, 5: 457-470.

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