

PERSONAL INFORMATION
Purrello Roberto
University of Catania
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• **EDUCATION**

1979 Laurea in Chemistry, full marks and honor
Department of Chemical Sciences, University of Catania, Catania, Italy

• **CURRENT POSITIONS**

2000 - Full Professor, Department of Chemical Sciences, University of Catania, Catania, Italy
2014 - Member of National Council of University – Area 03
2014 - 2020 Chair of the Department of Chemical Sciences, Catania
2014 - 2020 Member of the Academic Senate

• **PREVIOUS POSITIONS IN ITALY AND ABROAD**

2003 - 2005 Visiting (Prof. N. Berova), Department of Chemistry, Columbia University, NY, NY, USA
(one month every year)
2000 (6 monts) Visiting fellow (Prof. K. Smith), Department of Chemistry, Davis University, CA, USA
1990 – 2000 Visiting (Prof. R. Pasternack), Department of Chemistry, Swarthmore College,
Swarthmore, PA, USA **(two months every year)**
1991 - 2000 Associate Professor, Department of Chemical Sciences, University of Catania, Italy
1988 - 1989 Visiting Scholar, Department of Chemistry, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, USA
1989 - 1990 Research Assistant, Department of Chemistry, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, USA
1983 - 1991 Assistant Professor, Department of Chemical Sciences, University of Catania, Catania,
Italy

• **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

2005 “Lady Davis” Professorship, Technion - Israel Institute of Technology
1988 - 89 Scholarship received from CNR, Italy

• **INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

2019 - 2020 President of Scuola Superiore di Catania
2014 - 2020 Chairman, Department of Chemical Sciences, University of Catania, Catania, Italy
2015 - Member of the National University Council (CUN)
2015 - 2020 Member of the Academic Senate
2011 - 2013 Member GEV of the Council of Experts for the Evaluation of Quality of Research in the
Italian University system (VQR)
2012-2014 Component of the commission for national certification for associate and full professor
(ASN)
2012 - 2014 Coordinator of the Doctorate in Chemistry, Department of Chemical Sciences,
University of Catania, Catania, Italy
2011 - 2014 President of the Division of “Chemistry of Biological Systems” of the Italian Society of
Chemistry

2010 - 2012 Vice-chairman, Department of Chemical Sciences, University of Catania, Catania, Italy
 2007 - 2011 Vice-President of the Division of "Chemistry of Biological Systems" of the Italian Society of Chemistry

• **COMMISSIONS OF TRUST (selection)**

Reviewer for *Nature*, *Nature Chemistry*, *Angewandte Chemie*, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, et al.

2010 - Editorial Board, Chirality
 1990 - Reviewer for the Italian Ministry
 2012 - Reviewer for the Czech Ministry
 2005 - 2010 Reviewer for ACS Petroleum Research Fund
 2012 - 2014 Member of the National Committee for Scientific evaluation (ASN)

Listed among the Top Italian Scientist

Total number of citations, more than 4500

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• **ORGANISATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS (selection)**

2002–2007 Member of the COST action D27 (Prebiotic Chemistry and Early Evolution)
 2007- Co-organizer and member of the scientific committee of annual meeting of the Division of "Chemistry of Biological Systems" of the Italian Society of Chemistry.
 2008-2012 Member of the COST action CM0703 (System Chemistry)
 2010 – Member of the International Scientific Committee of the "International Conferences on Chiroptical Spectroscopy"
 2010 Organizer of the COST Meeting of the action CM0703
 2010 Co-organizer (together with Prof. Nina Berova, Columbia University, NY, USA), at ICPP-6 (International Conference of Porphyrins and Phtalocyanines) of a Symposium titled "Porphyrins and Nucleic Acids"
 2012 Co-organizer (together with Prof. Nina Berova, Columbia University, NY, USA), at ICPP-7 of a Symposium titled "Porphyrins and phtalocyanines in Chiral Molecular and Supramolecular Systems"
 2013 Co-organizer and Co-founder of the First Italian Meeting on Porphyrinoids, Roma 1-3 July 2013
 2014 Co-organizer (together with Prof. Nina Berova, Columbia University, NY, USA), at ICPP-8 of a Symposium titled "Chirality and Biomimetic Systems"
 2014 Co-organizer and Co-founder of the First Italian Meeting on Chirality "ChirItaly", Pisa 18-20 June 2014
 2016 Co-organizer (together with Prof. Nina Berova, Columbia University, NY, USA), at ICPP-9 of a Symposium titled "Chirality and Biomimetic Systems"
 2020 Co-organizer (together with Prof. Nina Berova, Columbia University, NY, USA) at ICPP-10 of Symposium