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EDUCATION

<u>From September 2013 till now:</u> PhD Student as Marie Curie Early Stage Researcher of the HYTECH project (project website: hytech.dii.unipd.it) on the "Consequences of vegetation patterns for nutrient dynamics and feedback responses" at UMR CNRS 5023 -LEHNA.

<u>2008-2011:</u> Master's Degree in Environmental Sciences and Technologies 110/110 *cum laude*, at the University of Parma (Italy). Thesis: "Radial Oxygen Loss in *Vallisneria spiralis:* ecosystem implications", Università degli Studi di Parma, Feb. 2011.

<u>2005-2008:</u> Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Sciences and Technologies, 110/110 *cum laude*, at the University of Parma. Thesis: "Aquatic and riparian macrophyte communities of the River Baganza: structural and ecological analysis", Università degli Studi di Parma, Sept. 2008.

PUBLICATIONS

- Licci, S., Delolme, C., Marmonier, P., Philippe, M., Cornacchia, L., Gardette, V., Bouma, T. & Puijalon, S. Effect of aquatic plant patches on flow and sediment: the case of *Callitriche platycarpa* and *Elodea nuttallii*. GeoPlanet: Earth and Planetary Sciences, in press
- Cornacchia, L., **Licci, S.**, van de Koppel, J., van der Wal, D., Wharton, G., Puijalon, S. & Bouma, T. Flow velocity and morphology of a submerged patch of the aquatic species *Veronica anagallis-aquatica* L. GeoPlanet: Earth and Planetary Sciences, in press.

PUBLICATIONS, in preparation

• Savickis, J., Licci, S., Zaramella, M., Puijalon, S. & Marion, A. Signatures of mass retention in streams based on vegetation and sediment patterns. In prep, for Hydrobiologia

INTERNATIONAL COMUNICATIONS

- Licci, S., Delolme, C., Marmonier, P., Philippe, M., Cornacchia, L., Gardette, V., Bouma, T. & Puijalon, S. (2015) Effects of aquatic plant patches on flow and sediment characteristics: the case of *Callitriche platycarpa* and *Elodea nuttallii*. XXXIV International School of Hydraulics (ISH), Warsaw (Poland) 11-14 May 2015. Oral communication.
- Cornacchia, L., Licci, S., van de Koppel, J., van der Wal, D., Wharton, G., Puijalon, S. & Bouma, T (2015).
 Flow velocity and morphology of a submerged patch of the aquatic species *Veronica anagallis-aquatica* L..
 XXXIV International School of Hydraulics (ISH), Warsaw (Poland) 11-14 May 2015. Oral communication.
- Licci, S., Marmonier, P., Delolme, C. & Puijalon S. (2015) Interactions between submerged aquatic plant, flow and sediment: effects of patch size and trophic conditions in Callitriche platycarpa. 9th Symposium for European Freshwater Sciences, Geneva (Swiss), 5-10 July 2015. Oral communication.
- Savickis, J., Zaramella, M., Licci, S., Puijalon, S. & Marion, A. (2015) Signature of mass retention in streams based on vegetation and sediment patterns. 14th International Symposium on Aquatic Plants, Edinburgh (UK), 14-18 September 2015. Poster.

• Licci, S., Marmonier, P., Delolme, C. & Puijalon, S. (2015) The role of macrophyte patch length and trophic conditions on flow and sediment characteristics. 14th International Symposium on Aquatic Plants, Edinburgh (UK), 14-18 September 2015. Oral communication.

NATIONAL COMUNICATIONS

- Licci, S., Delolme, C., Marmonier, P., Philippe, M., Cornacchia, L., Gardette, V., Bouma, T. & Puijalon S. Effects on flow and sediment composition of two macrophytes with contrasting morphologies. Netherlands Annual Ecology Meeting (NAEM) 2015, Lunteren (The Netherlands) 10-11 February 2015. Poster.
- Puijalon, S., Licci, S., Delolme, C. & Marmonier, P. (2015) Interactions entre la végétation aquatique, les écoulements et la dynamique sédimentaire. Séminaire OHM Vallée du Rhône, 22 mai 2015, Lyon. Oral communication.

SCIENCE ANIMATION ACTIVITY

- Participation to open day activities as Marie Curie ambassador:
- "Importance of water quality and ponds conservation" to primary schools pupils, October the 24th 2013, Bradford (UK)
- "Fluid in sciences" to primary schools pupils, May the 16th 2014, Stirling (UK)
- "Ecology of aquatic systems" with workshops on aquatic plants, preparatory school students, October the 7th 2014, Villeurbanne (FR)
- "Importance of fish passages and their physical model" practical activities with preparatory school students, May the 22nd 2015 Braunschweig (D)
- "What is a river? Why aquatic plants are important?" to primary schools pupils, October the 1st 2015, Castelfranco Veneto (IT)
- Participation to the organizing committee for the conference « ECOVEG 10 », Lyon, 9th 11th April 2014 http://ecoveg10.sciencesconf.org/
- Participation to the organizing committee for HYTECH 3rd Summer School on "Ecology of aquatic system", Lyon, 3rd -13th October 2014.

RESERCH INTERESTS

- Aquatic ecology.
- Relation between vegetation and aquatic environments (flow, sediment and nutrient conditions).
- Role of submerged macrophytes on water quality and on ecosystems in general.
- Biogeochemistry, including the influence of submerged macrophytes on nitrogen, phosphorous cycling.
- Ecophysiology of aquatic plants.
- Evaluation of water quality and ecological system conditions through macrophyte indexes.
- Interest in field work, mesocosm and flume experiments, data collection and data processing with parametric and multivariate statistics, simulation modeling.

IN SITU AND LABORATORY SKILLS

- Water, sediment and macrophyte sampling.
- Incubations of water, sediment and plants for process measurements.
- Design and carry out experiments in hydraulic flumes (NIOZ-Yerseke, The Netherland).
- Measurements of flow characteristics: discharge, velocity and turbulence with Acoustic Doppler Velocimeter (ADV), Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler (ADCP) and Electromagnetic Flowmeter.
- Optimal skills and knowledge of titration, spectrophotometry, infrared spectroscopy, atomic absorption spectrometry, potentiometry and amperometry for water analysis.
- Laser granulometry for sediment characterization.
- Measurements of plant morphological traits.
- Nutrient and chlorophyll extraction from vegetal tissues.
- Leaf marking technique.
- Macrophyte and fluvial functioning indexes.
- Phytosociological survey.

LINGUISTIC and INFORMATIC SKILLS

Italian (Mother Tongue), **English.** (IELTS certification: overall band score 7/9 – test date 24/09/2011), French (Understanding: C1, speaking:B2, writing: A2).

Computer skills: Microsoft Office Pack; MATLAB, statistic programs (JMP pro 12.0, SigmaPlot 11.0), WinFolia 2001 (for plant morphological traits measurements), GIS software, HTML, JavaScript.