

# Maria Grazia Magro, PhD

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## Overview

Dr. Magro has a background in molecular cell biology and more than ten years of experience between research and science management at top-level international research institutions. Between 2014 and 2019 Dr. Magro gradually took responsibility for activities in the area of Strategy Development and Analysis at the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL), Europe's intergovernmental research organisation – with over 1800 staff across six sites in five countries – and a world-renowned centre of excellence for life science research and services. As Strategy and Analysis Manager, Dr. Magro supported and advised EMBL's top management in a variety of strategic and operational activities, including strategic planning and communication, performance monitoring, reporting, analysing science policy, and representing EMBL externally. She joined Human Technopole in February 2019, as Head of Strategy and Scientific Affairs, where she manages activities in the areas of scientific strategy, institutional policy, and scientific management and administration.

## Career history

**Head of Strategy and Scientific Affairs, Human Technopole (Milan, Italy)**  
**February 2019 – present**

**Strategy & Analysis Manager, European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Heidelberg, Germany)**  
**July 2016 – January 2019**

**Strategy & Analysis Officer, European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Heidelberg, Germany)**  
**November 2014 – June 2016**

**Postdoctoral research fellow, Paul Langerhans Institute Dresden (Dresden, Germany)**  
**July 2012 – October 2014**

**Doctoral research fellow, Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cell Biology and Genetics & Paul Langerhans Institute Dresden (Dresden, Germany)**  
**November 2007 – June 2012**

**Graduate research fellow, Department of Cellular and Molecular Pathology, "Federico II" University of Naples (Naples, Italy)**  
**December 2006 – October 2007**

**Research trainee, "Ceinge - Biotechnologie Avanzate" (Naples, Italy)**  
**April 2005 – November 2006**

## Academic qualifications

**Ph.D. in Cell Biology (*Magna cum Laude*), June 2012**  
International Max Planck Research School for Biomedicine and Bioengineering & TU Dresden (Dresden, Germany)

**Degree in Biological Sciences, Biomolecular Curriculum (110/110 *cum Laude*), November 2006**

**Classical High School Diploma (97/100), July 2000**

### **Achievements and awards**

- Supported and coordinated the production of EMBL's five-year strategic plan, the **EMBL Programme 2017–2021**
- Collected information, developed content and coordinated production of the **EMBL Annual Report** 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017
- Authored/co-authored **research and review papers** in the field of pancreatic beta-cell biology, published in high-profile international scientific journals
- Awarded **MeDDriveStart Grant** from the Medical Faculty of the TU Dresden with biennial research budget (2013-2014)
- Awarded **DIGS-BB Fellowship** and individual research budget from the Dresden international Graduate School for Biomedicine and Bioengineering (November 2007 – November 2011)
- Awarded "**Erasmus – European Community Programme**" **Scholarship**. Attended the "*Universidad de Alcalá*" School of Biological Sciences (Alcalá de Henares, Spain) (September 2003 – July 2004)

### **Languages**

**Italian, English, Spanish and German**