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**2000-2002** PhD in "Crops Productivity", University of Sassari, Italy

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**1996-1998** Research contract at the Department of Agronomic Science and Plant Genetic of the University of Sassari

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