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Education and Professional Experience

2021: Senior Researcher

2015: Researcher

1991-2001: Researcher (temporary position)

1990-1991: Research Fellowship at CNR – Center for Mediterranean Pastures, Sassari, Italy.

1987-1990: Bank employee (Agricultural credit)

1986: Degree cum laude in Agricultural Sciences, University of Sassari, Ita

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Native plant species and their multipurpose uses

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Selected publications (max 20)

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11. Ledda L, Deligios P, Farci R, **Sulas L** (2013). Biomass supply for energetic purposes from some Carduae species grown in a Mediterranean rainfed low input cropping system. *Industrial crops and Products*, 47, 218-226.
12. P Deligios, R Farci, **L Sulas**, G Hoogenboom and L Ledda (2013). Predicting

growth and yield of winter rapeseed in a Mediterranean environment: Model adaptation at a field scale. *Field Crops Res.* 144, 100-112.

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