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I was born in Milano in 1990 and grown here. I graduated in Biology Applied to Research in Biomedicine at the University of Milan in December 2014. During the university I lived six months in Madrid as an Erasmus visiting student. After the degree I got a 6 months fellowship at Fondazione Filarete in Milano, where I learnt the basics of optical microscopy. In February 2016 I joined the IFOM Imaging TDU, where I stayed for 4 years working as a microscopy technician, mainly focused on confocal microscopy. In April 2020 I moved to Leica microsystems as an Application Specialist for confocal microscopy for Italy, Spain and Portugal and advanced widefield microscopy for Italy.