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## Curriculum Vitae

### Research Interests

**Representation Theory, Mathematical Physics**

### Current Employment

2023 **Associate Professor in Algebra**, *Università di Parma*, Italy

### Previous Appointments

2020 - 2022 **Assistant Professor**, *Università di Parma*, Italy

2017 - 2020 **Research Fellow**, *University of Edinburgh*, UK

2014 - 2017 **Assistant Professor**, *University of Southern California*, Los Angeles, USA

2013 **Research Fellow**, *Hebrew University of Jerusalem*, Israel

### Education

2013 **Ph.D. in Mathematics**, *Northeastern University*, Boston, USA

Advisor: Prof. V. Toledano Laredo

2008 **M.Sc. in Mathematics**, *Sapienza Università di Roma*, Italy

Advisor: Prof. C. De Concini.

2006 **B.Sc. in Mathematics**, *Sapienza Università di Roma*, Italy

Advisor: Prof. M.J. de Resmini

### ASN

*Abilitazione Scientifica Nazionale* alle funzioni di professore universitario di Prima Fascia nel Settore Concorsuale 01/A2 - GEOMETRIA E ALGEBRA. Validità: 24/10/2023 - 24/10/2034.

### Active Research Group Affiliations

**INdAM**, *Istituto Nazionale di Alta Matematica*

Research Group GNSAGA - Gruppo Nazionale Strutture Algebriche, Geometriche ed Applicazioni.

**INFN**, *Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare, Gruppo Collegato di Parma*

Research Group GAST - Gauge and String Theory.

**CaLISTA**, *COST Action 2022-2026*

CA21109 - Cartan geometry, Lie, Integrable Systems, quantum group Theories for Applications.

### Preprints

### Publications

- *The R-matrix of the affine Yangian* (with S. Gautam and C. Wendlandt). **Journal of the European Mathematical Society** (2026). Accepted for publication. arXiv:2309.02377, 57pp.
- *Trigonometric K-matrices for finite-dimensional representations of quantum affine algebras* (with B. Vlaar). **Journal of the European Mathematical Society** (2025), 41pp. Published online first. DOI:10.4171/jems/1686. arXiv:2203.16503.

- *Boundary transfer matrices arising from quantum symmetric pairs* (with B. Vlaar).  
**Indagationes Mathematicae** (2025), 33pp. Article in press.  
Special Issue dedicated to Tom Koornwinder.  
DOI:10.1016/j.indag.2025.05.008. arXiv:2410.21654.
- *Tensor  $K$ -matrices for quantum symmetric pairs* (with B. Vlaar).  
**Communications in Mathematical Physics** 406 (2025), no. 5, art. 100.  
DOI:10.1007/s00220-025-05241-5. arXiv:2402.16676, 42pp.
- *Monodromy of the Casimir connection of a symmetrisable Kac–Moody algebra* (with V. Toledano Laredo).  
**Inventiones Mathematicae** 236 (2024), 124pp.  
DOI:10.1007/s00222-024-01242-8. arXiv:1512.03041.
- *Pure braid group actions on category  $\mathcal{O}$  modules* (with V. Toledano Laredo).  
**Pure and Applied Mathematics Quarterly** 20.1 (2024), 51 pp.  
Special Issue dedicated to Corrado De Concini.  
DOI:10.4310/PAMQ.2024.v20.n1.a3. arXiv:2208.05331.
- *Generalized Schur–Weyl duality for quantum affine symmetric pairs and orientifold KLR algebras* (with T. Przydziedzki).  
**Advances in Mathematics** 435 (2023), Part B, 109383, 52pp.  
DOI:10.1016/j.aim.2023.109383. arXiv:2204.04123.
- *On a conjecture of Khoroshkin and Tolstoj* (with S. Gautam and C. Wendlandt).  
**International Mathematics Research Notices - IMRN**, 2023 (2023) no.24, 17pp.  
DOI:10.1093/imrn/rnac334. arXiv:2206.14857. Oberwolfach Report.
- *Universal  $K$ -matrices for quantum Kac–Moody algebras* (with B. Vlaar).  
**Representation Theory** 26 (2022), 61pp.  
DOI:10.1090/ert/623. arXiv:2007.09218.
- *Continuum Kac–Moody algebras* (with F. Sala and O. Schiffmann).  
**Moscow Mathematical Journal** 22 (2022) no.2, 48pp.  
DOI:10.17323/1609-4514-2022-22-2-177-224. arXiv:1812.08528.
- *Quantization of continuum Kac–Moody algebras* (with F. Sala).  
**Pure and Applied Mathematics Quarterly** 16 (2020) no.3, 55pp.  
Special Issue dedicated to Kyoji Saito.  
DOI: 10.4310/PAMQ.2020.v16.n3.a5. arXiv:1903.01413.
- *An explicit isomorphisms between quantum and classical  $\mathfrak{sl}_n$*  (with S. Gautam).  
**Transformation Groups** 25 (2020) no.4, 36pp.  
DOI:10.1007/s00031-019-09543-6. arXiv:1712.03601.
- *Coxeter categories and quantum groups* (with V. Toledano Laredo).  
**Selecta Mathematica (N.S.)** 25 (2019), no.3, 97pp.  
DOI:10.1007/s00029-019-0490-y. arXiv:1610.09741.
- *Uniqueness of Coxeter structures on Kac–Moody algebras* (with V. Toledano Laredo).  
**Advances in Mathematics** 347 (2019), 104pp.  
DOI:10.1016/j.aim.2019.02.022. arXiv:1508.01945.
- *A 2–categorical extension of Etingof–Kazhdan quantisation* (with V. Toledano Laredo).  
**Selecta Mathematica (N.S.)** 24 (2018), no.4, 89pp.  
DOI:10.1007/s00029-017-0381-z. arXiv:1610.09744.
- *A DG-extension of symmetric functions arising from higher representation theory* (with I. Egilmez, M. Hogancamp, A. Lauda).  
**Journal of Combinatorial Algebra** 2 (2018), no.2, 45pp.  
DOI:10.4171/JCA/2-2-3. arXiv:1704.00713.

## Other

- *The Interplay of  $R$ -matrices and Quantum Groups* (Proceedings of the conference GABY 2024).  
**Advances in Group Theory and Applications** 20 (2025), pp. 60.  
DOI:10.32037/agta-2025-001.

- *Generalized Schur-Weyl dualities, quantum affine symmetric pairs, and orientifold Khovanov-Lauda-Rouquier algebras* (with T. Przydzicki).  
Contribution in **Oberwolfach Report: Three Facets of R-matrices**, 17-23 October 2021  
DOI: 10.4171/OWR/2021/51
- *Quasi-Coxeter categories and a relative Etingof-Kazhdan functor* (with V. Toledano Laredo).  
Superseded by the publications Sel. Math. N.S. 2018 and 2019. arXiv:1212.6720, 63pp.

## Thesis

- **Monodromy theorems in the affine setting**, Ph.D. Thesis  
hdl.handle.net/2047/d20003201

## Research Grants

- 2024-2026 **PRIN - Progetto di Ricerca di Rilevante Interesse Nazionale, Algebraic Aspects of 2dQFT with reflection symmetry**, PRIN ID: 2022HMBTTL - CUP: D53C24003390001  
Role: co-Principal Investigator and Local Coordinator of the Research Unit at the University of Parma.  
Scope: Research Funds. Amount: €125.162,00. Website: UNIPR, SAPIENZA
- 2024-2026 **Progetto di Ricerca INdAM 2024 - Linea 2 Consolidator Grants, Bispectrality and Boundary Phenomena in Quantum Groups**, CUP: E53C23001740001  
Role: Principal investigator. Scope: Research Funds. Amount: €30.000,00.
- 2024-2025 **Progetto d'Ateneo Università di Parma, Bispectrality and Boundary Phenomena in Quantum Groups**, Bando di Ateneo per la Ricerca 2024 Linea D.  
Role: Principal investigator. Scope: Research Funds. Amount: €23.891,00.
- 2023-2024 **Progetto d'Ateneo Università di Parma, Quantum groups at root of unity and integrable systems with boundary**, Bando di Ateneo per la Ricerca 2022 Linea B (Young Researchers) - Partially funded by Fondazione Cariparma.  
Role: Principal investigator. Scope: Research Funds. Amount: €8.500,00.
- 2021-2022 **Progetto d'Ateneo Università di Parma, Reflection Symmetries arising from quantum loop algebras**, Bando di Ateneo per la Ricerca 2020 Linea B (Young Researchers) - Partially funded by Fondazione Cariparma.  
Role: Principal investigator. Scope: Research Funds. Amount: €8.500,00.
- 2020 **Programma per giovani ricercatori Rita Levi Montalcini 2018 (D.M. 511 - 24/8/2020)**  
Role: Principal investigator. Scope: Salary and Research Funds. Amount: €180,481.44 + €43,000.  
Notes: *grant declined*. [Link](#).
- 2015-2017 **AMS-Simons Travel Grant, AMS-Simons Foundation**  
Role: Principal Investigator. Scope: Research Funds. Amount: \$4,000

## Research Training

- 2026 **Postdoc Supervision, Dr. Simone Castellan, University of Parma**  
1-Year Postdoctoral Fellowship funded by PRIN Grant 2022HMBTTL
- 2025 **Postdoc Supervision, Dr. Alessandro Carotenuto, University of Parma**  
1-Year Postdoctoral Fellowship funded by University of Parma
- 2019-2020 **IAD Action Grant, Institute for Academic Development, University of Edinburgh**  
Role: Coordinator. Scope: Academic projects aimed at PhD students and Postdocs. Amount: £6,500

## Fellowships

- 2013 **Dissertation Completion Fellowship**, Northeastern University  
01/01/2013–30/04/2013. Scope: Semester salary (4 months, research only). Amount: approx. \$18,000
- 2011 **Ling-Ma Fellowship**, Northeastern University  
01/06/2011–31/07/2011. Scope: Summer Salary (research only). Amount: approx. \$5,000
- 2008 **University Excellence Fellowship**, Northeastern University  
2008–2013. Scope: Additional research funds. Amount: \$25,000

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## Visiting positions

- 2026 **Erwin Schrödinger International Institute for Mathematics and Physics, ESI**, Vienna, Austria  
Research in Groups with J. Li, T. Przędziecki, and B. Vlaar - 2 weeks
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Research in Groups with J. Li, T. Przędziecki, and B. Vlaar - 2 weeks
- 2025 **International Centre for Mathematical Sciences**, Edinburgh, UK  
Research in Groups with J. Li, T. Przędziecki, and B. Vlaar - 2 weeks
- 2024 **Beijing Institute for Mathematical Sciences and Applications**, Beijing, China  
Research visit - 2 weeks
- 2023 **Centro Internazionale per la Ricerca Matematica**, Trento, Italy  
Research in Pairs with S. Gautam and C. Wendlandt - 3 weeks
- 2021 **Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut Oberwolfach**, Germany  
Research in Pairs with S. Gautam and C. Wendlandt - 2 weeks
- 2019 **Aspen Center for Physics**, Colorado, USA  
Summer Program - 3 weeks
- 2017 **Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques IHES**, France  
Research visit - 1 month
- 2015 **IAS Park City Mathematical Institute**, Utah, USA  
Summer Program - 3 weeks
- 2014 **Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques IHES**, Paris, France  
Research visit - 1 month
- 2014 **Hebrew University**, Jerusalem, Israel  
Research visit - 1 months
- 2012 **Columbia University**, NY, USA  
Research visit - 4 months
- 2012 **Forschungsinstitut für Mathematik, ETH**, Zurich, Switzerland  
Research program - 1 month

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## Conference Talks

- 2026 **Physical Mathematics 2026**, *Seul National University, South Korea*  
June 15–19, 2026 [Link](#)
- 2026 **Q-SPHERE 2026**, *Radboud University, Netherlands*  
June 8–12, 2026 [Link](#)
- 2026 **XI International Workshop on Non-associative Algebras**, *Università di Bari, Italy*  
April 13–17, 2026 [Link](#)
- 2026 **Quantum Groups Days**, *Université de Lille, France*  
April 2–3, 2026 [Link](#)
- 2025 **New Perspectives in Quantum Representation Theory**, *ICMS, Edinburgh, UK*  
November 17–21, 2025. [Link](#)
- 2025 **The RepNet Launch Party**, *University of York, UK*  
July 29–30, 2025 [Link](#)
- 2025 **All around Integrability**, *University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy*  
June 3-4-5, 2025. [Link](#)
- 2025 **Solving the Yang–Baxter Equation. New Frontiers and Approaches**, *Levico Terme, Italy*  
May 4–8, 2025. [Link](#)
- 2024 **Hopf algebras and Monoidal Categories**, *Università di Ferrara, Italy*  
September 3-6, 2024. [Link](#)
- 2024 **RTISART-2024: Representation Theory, Integrable Systems and Related Topics**, *BIMSA, China*  
July 8-12, 2024. [Link](#)
- 2024 **Perspectives in Representation Theory - 9ECM Satellite Conference**, *Coimbra, Portugal*  
July 1-3, 2023. [Link](#)

- 2024 **Higher structures 2024**, *Caprarola, Italy*  
February 29 - March 2, 2024. [Link](#)
- 2023 **Taipei Conference in Representation Theory VII**, *Taipei, Taiwan*  
December 18-22, 2023. [Link](#)
- 2023 **VI International Workshop on Non-associative Algebras**, *Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, Spain*.  
June 19-23, 2023. [Link](#)
- 2023 **Higher structures 2023**, *Caprarola, Italy*  
February 15-17, 2023. [Link](#)
- 2022 **New trends in Hopf algebras and Monoidal Categories**, *Università di Torino, Italia*.  
September 6-9, 2022. [Link](#)
- 2021 **Three facets of R-matrices**, *Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut Oberwolfach, Germany*  
October 17-22, 2021 - [Link](#)
- 2020 **Tensor Categories, Quantum groups, and Related Topics**, *Nottingham, UK*  
June 29 - July 1, 2020 - [Link](#)
- 2019 **Lie Theory Session, XXI Congress of the Italian Mathematical Union**, *Pavia, Italy*  
September 2019 - [Link](#)
- 2019 **Moduli Spaces, Representation Theory and Quantization**, *RIMS, Kyoto University*  
June 2019 - [Link](#)
- 2019 **Geometry and Mathematical Physics Workshop**, *Loughborough University*  
March 2019 - [Link](#)
- 2019 **Representation theory, gauge theory and integrable systems**, *Kavli IPMU, Tokyo*  
February 2019 - [Link](#)
- 2019 **Aspects of Higher Representation Theory**, *Brussels, Belgium*  
January 2019 - [Link](#)
- 2017 **Conference on Geometric Representation Theory**, *University of Glasgow*  
July 2017 - [Link](#)
- 2015 **US–Mexico Conference in Representation Theory and Noncommutative algebra**, *UNAM, Mexico City*  
January 2015 - [Link](#)
- 2014 **Algebraic Geometry and Representation Theory in Rome**, *Università Roma Tre, Italy*  
December 2014
- 2014 **Second Joint International Meeting IMU–AMS, Special Session on Mirror Symmetry and Representation Theory**, *Tel Aviv University, Israel*  
June 2014 - [Link](#)
- 2014 **Quantum groups, Deformation and Geometry - A Conference in memory of J. Donin**, *Bar-Ilan University, Israel*  
June 2014 - [Link](#)
- 2013 **AMS Meeting**, *University of California Riverside*  
November 2013 - [Link](#)

## Lecture Series

- 2024 **GABY: Groups & Algebras in Bicocca for Young algebraists**, *Università di Milano Bicocca, Italy*  
June 17-21, 2024. [Link](#)

## Organization of conferences and workshops

- 2024 **New Perspectives in Yangians and Quantum Affine Algebras**, *Parma, Italy*, October 1-3, 2024.  
Organizers: A. Appel, C. Meneghelli. [Link](#)
- 2024 **Quantization in Representation Theory, Derived Algebraic Geometry, and Gauge Theory**, *SwissMAP Research Station at Les Diablerets, Switzerland*, September 16-20, 2024.  
Organizers: A. Appel, L. Bossinger, G. Felder, M. Porta, F. Sala, O. Schiffmann. [Link](#)

- 2021 **Quantization in Derived Algebraic Geometry and Representation Theory**, *Casa Matematica Oaxaca, Mexico*, May 2–7, 2021  
Organizers: A. Appel, M. Porta, F. Sala, O. Schiffmann. Cancelled due to Covid Emergency. [Link](#).
- 2019 **Quantum groups and integrable systems - 56th ARTIN Meeting**, *University of Edinburgh*, Nov. 28–29, 2019  
Organizers: A. Appel, D. Valeri.
- 2016 **US–Mexico Conference in Representation Theory, Categorification, and Noncommutative algebra**, *University of Southern California, Los Angeles*, May 30 - June 3, 2016  
<http://www-bcf.usc.edu/~lauda/US-MEX-2016/conference2016.html>  
Organizers: A. Appel, A. Lauda, C. Geiss, M. Yakimov
- 2014 **Workshop on Categorification and Representation Theory**, *University of Southern California, Los Angeles*, October 30–31, 2014  
Organizers: A. Appel, A. Lauda, D. Rose

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## Young Researchers Meetings in Algebra and Geometry

- since 2025 **YRMAG Steering Committee**, Member
- 2025 **Young Researchers Meeting in Algebra and Geometry in Modena**, September 10–12, 2025  
Funded by INdAM-GNSAGA, Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia. [Link](#)  
Organizers: A. Appel, L. Capuano, F. Carocci, C. Felisetti, F. Sala, R. Svaldi, M. Talpo
- 2024 **Young Researchers Meeting in Algebra and Geometry in Milano**, September 23–25, 2024  
Funded by INdAM-GNSAGA, Università di Milano. [Link](#)  
Organizers: A. Appel, F. Binda, L. Pertusi, F. Sala, R. Svaldi, M. Talpo
- 2023 **Young Researchers Meeting in Algebra and Geometry in Roma**, September 20–22, 2023  
Funded by INdAM-GNSAGA, Università di Roma Tre. [Link](#)  
Organizers: A. Appel, F. Binda, L. Capuano, F. Sala, M. Talpo
- 2022 **Young Researchers Meeting in Algebra and Geometry in Trieste**, September 28–30, 2022  
Funded by INdAM-GNSAGA, SISSA, Università di Pisa. [Link](#)  
Organizers: A. Appel, A. Lerario, F. Sala, S. Scherotzke, N. Sibilla, M. Talpo
- 2021 **Young Researchers Meeting in Algebra and Geometry in Pisa**, September 30 - October 1, 2021  
Funded by INdAM-GNSAGA, Università di Pisa, Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa, Politecnico di Milano.  
Organizers: A. Appel, A. Hochenegger, M. Porta, F. Sala, S. Scherotzke, M. Talpo

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## Teaching - Graduate Courses - PhD Level

### Topics in Representation Theory

Since 2022, I offer **every year** a 24h advanced course in Representation Theory. This is part of the joint Ph.D. Program of the Universities of Parma, Modena/Reggio Emilia, and Ferrara. The course is typically held online, and the participation is open to graduate students from other universities.

- 2021 **Yangians in geometry and representation theory**  
Joint course with University of Pisa and University of Rome Tor Vergata.
- 2016 **Infinite-dimensional Lie groups**  
University of Southern California Los Angeles
- 2015 **Quantum groups and differential equations**  
University of Southern California Los Angeles

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## Academic duties and responsibilities

- since 2025 **Responsabile dell'Assicurazione della Qualità**, *Corso di Laurea in Matematica*  
Department of Mathematics, Physics, and Computer Science - University of Parma
- since 2023 **Commissione Mobilità Internazionale**, *International Mobility Committee*  
Department of Mathematics, Physics, and Computer Science - University of Parma
- since 2023 **Redazione Web**, *Web Editorial Board*  
Department of Mathematics, Physics, and Computer Science - University of Parma
- since 2021 **Comitato di Area 01**, *Scientific Committee - Mathematics and Computer Science*  
Department of Mathematics, Physics, and Computer Science - University of Parma

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## Languages

Italian, English, French

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## Research Profiles

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