

Biosketch of Pierangelo Luporini

Born. 1940 in Lucca, Italy

Education and Academic Positions Degree in Biological Sciences, University of Pisa, 1964. Assistant to the chair of Zoology, University of Pisa, 1965-1975. Full professor in Zoology, University of Camerino, 1976-2013. Emeritus in Zoology since 2015.

Organizer of scientific meetings. 4th European Conference on Ciliate Biology (1979); LII Congresso Nazionale di Zoologia (1988); 4th European Congress of Protistology and 10th European Conference on Ciliate Biology (2003).

Positions in societies. President of Società Italiana di Protozoologia; Secretary of Unione Zoologica Italiana; Coordinator of Biology/Medicine Section in National Program of Research in Antarctica.

Awards. Honorary Member of International Society of Protistology, Società Italiana di Protistologia, Società Italiana di Immunobiologia Comparata, Unione Zoologica Italiana.

Patronyms. Luporinophrys, a new genus of 'flagship' ciliates from Venezuela, named by W. Foissner, Eur. J. Protistol., 2005; *Nothoholosticha luporinii*, a new species from intertidal sediment in Southern China, named by T. Zhang et al., Frontiers in Marine Sciences, 2020.

Editorial Activities. Editor-in-Chief of publications of Unione Zoologica Italiana. Member of Board of Reviewers of Eur. J. Protistol., Acta Protozool., J. Euk. Microbiol., Biology.

Publications. About 150 research articles in peer-reviewed journals (including multidisciplinary journals such as PNAS and Nature), about 20 reviews and chapters in books, and various contributions to encyclopedias and popular scientific journals.