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Dr Francesco Papaleo (born in Scicli, RG, November 1977) is a tenured senior researcher, group leader of the Genetics of Cognition laboratory, at the Istituto Italiano di Tecnologia (IIT), Genova, Italy. The goal of our research effort is to investigate the mechanisms underlying social and cognitive processes which are altered in neurodevelopmental and psychiatric disorders. To reach this goal, his laboratory uses a cross-disciplinary approach including detailed studies in genetically modified mice and parallel clinical investigations. Dr Papaleo spearheaded his line of research through previous research experience at the University of Padova (Italy, 1996-2002), University of Bordeaux (France, 2002-2005) and at the National Institute of Mental Health in Bethesda (USA, 2005-2010).