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### You are kindly invited to the

# INN – *Open Neuroscience Forum*

## Maria Paola Cecchini

Dept. Of Neurosciences, Biomedicine and Movement Sciences **"The importance of smell and taste function** 

in health and disease"

## Lorenzo Schiaffino

Dept. Of Neurosciences, Biomedicine and Movement Sciences **"Neuroprotective effect of combined epigenetic drugs in a amyotrophic lateral sclerosis murin model"** 



Aula Magna Gavazzi 2:00 p.m.

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## Maria Paola Cecchini

Associate Professor at the Department of Neuroscience, Biomedicine and Movement Science at the University of Verona. Dr. Cecchini's research is directed at the evaluation of the chemical senses, in particular the study of olfaction and taste performance in humans, in various physiological and pathological conditions (e.g. Parkinson's disease, Down syndrome). For years she has been working with the Smell & Taste Clinic of the Department of Otorhinolaryngology of the University of Dresden School of



Medicine, Germany, coordinated by Prof. Thomas Hummel and various groups from the University of Verona.

### **Lorenzo Schiaffino**

He is a PhD Candidate/research fellowship holder at the Department of Neuroscience, Biomedicine and Movement Science University of Verona, Italy. He studies innovative therapeutic approaches to cure Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), an overwhelming neurodegenerative disease affecting the motor neurons in the central nervous system.

In particular, he tested the effects of a combination of two epigenetic drugs, resveratrol and MS-275, on a murine model of ALS: the SOD1(G93A) mouse.

