



# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DELL'AQUILA

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**Curriculum scientifico**

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(30/05/83) Laurea in Ingegneria Chimica Università di Napoli 110/110 e lode;  
(1985) Contrattista Dipartimento di Ingegneria Chimica (Univ. Napoli) su progetti afferenti al PFE-2 ENEA;  
(1989-1991) Ricercatore presso il Dipartimento di Ingegneria Industriale (Cassino);  
(1989) Dottore di Ricerca in Ingegneria Chimica;  
(1991) Ricercatore di Chimica Applicata, Università di L'Aquila  
(1993-1995) Professore supplente di Principi di Ingegneria Biochimica  
(Diploma Universitario in Ingegneria Chimica) Università degli Studi di L'Aquila;  
(1993-2000) Professore supplente di Principi di Ingegneria Biochimica  
(Laurea Quinquennale in Ingegneria Chimica) Università degli Studi di L'Aquila;  
(2000 ad oggi) Professore Associato di Principi di Ingegneria Chimica

## **Incarichi istituzionali**

Vicepresidente CDCS in Ingegneria Chimica, Università di L'Aquila;  
Presidente del CAD in Ingegneria Chimica (2012-2018);

Membro del comitato direttivo Fondazione Filauro;

Membro del Collegio dei docenti del Dottorato di Ricerca in Ingegneria Industriale, dell'Informazione e di economia

Referee per "Industrial and Engineering Chemical Research", "Chemical Engineering Journal"

Membro del Collegio dei Revisori progetti PRIN

## **Insegnamenti impartiti**

PRINCIPI DI INGEGNERIA BIOCHIMICA D.U. 1993-1995

PRINCIPI DI INGEGNERIA BIOCHIMICA 1993-2019

PRINCIPI DI INGEGNERIA CHIMICA c. i. METODI MATEMATICI PER L'INGEGNERIA CHIMICA 2002

FONDAMENTI DELLE OPERAZIONI UNITARIE DELL'INDUSTRIA CHIMICA 2003-2019

FONDAMENTI DEI PROCESSI DI SEPARAZIONE DELL'INDUSTRIA AGROALIMENTARE 2008-2010  
FLUID DYNAMICS 2010-2012

ELEMENTI INTRODUTTIVI DI INGEGNERIA CHIMICA 2019-2022

PRINCIPI DI INGEGNERIA CHIMICA 2022 ad oggi

## FENOMENI DI TRASPORTO 2021 ad oggi

### **Attività di ricerca**

Il Prof. Alberto Gallifuoco svolge ininterrottamente attività scientifica da 40 anni ed è autore di circa 100 pubblicazioni di cui oltre 70 su riviste internazionali e proceedings di congressi internazionali con referee.

Bioteecnologie industriali;

Ingegneria delle reazioni biochimiche;

Energia da biomassa;

Processi idrotermici di conversione energetica di scarti industriali.

### **Versione in Inglese**

(30/05/83) Degree in Chemical Engineering University of Naples 110/110 cum laude;

(1985) Contractor Department of Chemical Engineering (Univ. Napoli) on projects related to PFE-2 ENEA;

(1989-1991) Researcher at the Department of Industrial Engineering (Cassino);

(1989) PhD in Chemical Engineering;

(1991) Researcher in Applied Chemistry, University of L'Aquila

(1993-1995) Substitute Professor of Principles of Biochemical Engineering

(University Diploma in Chemical Engineering) University of L'Aquila;

(1993-2000) Substitute Professor of Principles of Biochemical Engineering

(Five-year degree in Chemical Engineering) University of L'Aquila;

(2000 to present) Associate Professor of Principles of Chemical Engineering

### **Institutional duties**

CDCS Vice-President in Chemical Engineering, University of L'Aquila;

President of CAD in Chemical Engineering (2012-2018);

Member of the management committee of the Filauro Foundation;

Member of the Academic Board of the PhD in Industrial, Information and Economics Engineering

Referee for "Industrial and Engineering Chemical Research", "Chemical Engineering Journal"

Member of the Board of Auditors of PRIN projects

## **Teachings**

PRINCIPLES OF BIOCHEMICAL ENGINEERING D.U. 1993-1995

PRINCIPLES OF BIOCHEMICAL ENGINEERING 1993-2019

PRINCIPLES OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERING and MATHEMATICAL METHODS FOR CHEMICAL ENGINEERING 2002

FUNDAMENTALS OF UNIT OPERATIONS OF THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY 2003-2019

FOUNDATIONS OF THE SEPARATION PROCESSES OF THE AGRI-FOOD INDUSTRY 2008-2010

FLUID DYNAMICS 2010-2012

INTRODUCTORY ELEMENTS OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERING 2019-2022

PRINCIPLES OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERING 2022 to date

TRANSPORT PHENOMENA 2021 to date

## **Research activity**

Industrial biotechnology;

Engineering of biochemical reactions;

Biomass energy;

Hydrothermal energy conversion processes of industrial waste.

Prof. Alberto Gallifuoco has been carrying out uninterrupted scientific activity for 40 years and is the author of about 100 publications of which over 70 in international journals and proceedings of international conferences with referee.

## Main publications

Alfani F., Cantarella M., **Gallifuoco A.**, Scardi V.

"Enzyme stability and glucose inhibition in cellulose saccharification"

*Annals N.Y. Acad. Sci.* **434**, 39-43 (1984)

Cantarella M., Scardi V., **Gallifuoco A.**, Tafuri M.G. and Alfani F.

"Yeast cell entrapment in polymeric hydrogels: a kinetic study in membrane reactors"

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Cantarella M., Cantarella L., **Gallifuoco A.**, Pezzullo L. and Alfani F.

"Immobilization of Acid Phosphatase in 2-hydroxyethylmethacrylate gels"

*Polymers in Medicine II*, **34**, 117-126 (1986)

Alfani F., Cantarella L., **Gallifuoco A.**, Pezzullo L., Cantarella M. and Scardi V.

"Characterization of the  $\beta$ -glucosidase activity associated with immobilized cellulase from *Aspergillus niger*"

*Annals N.Y. Acad. Sci.* **501**, 503-507 (1987)

Cantarella M., Cantarella L., Cirielli G., **Gallifuoco A.** and Alfani F.

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Alfani F., Cantarella L., Cantarella M., **Gallifuoco A.**, Scardi V.

"Thermodinamic Analysis of the stability enhancement of acid phosphatase by gel immobilization in proteins"

*Latin American Applied Research* **20**, 47-51, (1990)

**Gallifuoco A.**, Annetta A., Alfani F., Colella C. and Cantarella M.

"Exploratory study on separation of water-ethanol vapour mixtures: selective adsorption on natural zeolites."

*Gas Separation Technology* **8**, 521-526 (1990)

Alfani F., **Gallifuoco A.**, Cantarella M.

"Study of Michaelis-Menten kinetics with linear-type product inhibition in ultrafiltration membrane reactors: mathematical model, experimental and datacorrelation"

*Chem. Eng. J. and Biochem. Eng. J.* **43**, B43-B51 (1990)

Alfani F., Cantarella L., **Gallifuoco A.** and Cantarella M.

"Membrane reactors for the investigation of product inhibition on enzyme activity?"

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Cantarella M., Cantarella L., Cirielli G., **Gallifuoco A.** and Alfani F.

"Product inhibition studies in membrane reactors"

*Annals N.Y. Acad. Sci.* **613**, 279-289 (1991)

Cantarella M., Cantarella L., **Gallifuoco A.**, Alfani F.

"Invertase activity of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* cells entrapped in poly-2-hydroxy-ethylmethacrylate gels: kinetic and thermostability study in membrane reactors."

*J. of Biotechnology* **24**, 159-168, (1992)

Cicarelli P., Astarita G., **Gallifuoco A.**

"Continuous kinetic lumping of catalytic cracking processes"

*AIChE Journal* **38**, 7, 1038-1044, (1992)

Cantarella M., Cantarella L., **Gallifuoco A.** and Alfani F.

"Enzymatic Hydrolysis of Cellulose in Water-Immiscible Solvent Systems"

*Annals N.Y. Acad. Sci.* **672**, 318-322 (1992)

Colella C., Pansini M., and Alfani F., Cantarella M., and **Gallifuoco A.**

"Selective water adsorption from aqueous ethanol-containing vapours by phillipsite rich volcanic tuff"

*Microporous Materials* **3**, 219-226 (1994)

Alfani F., Cantarella M., **Gallifuoco A.** and Colella C.

"Synthetic zeolites as carrier for enzyme immobilization in laboratory-scale fixed bed columns"

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Alfani F., Cantarella M., **Gallifuoco A.** and Romano V.

"On the effectiveness factor of immobilized enzymes with linear mixed-type product inhibition kinetics"

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Alfani F., Cutarella N., **Gallifuoco A.**, Cantarella M. and Golini P., Franzosi G., Bianchi D.

"Preliminary investigation for the continuous enzymatic production of 7-aminocephalosporanic acid"

*Annals N.Y. Acad. Sci.* **750**, 491-495 (1995)

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"Pectin degradation in UF-membrane reactors with commercial pectinases?"

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A study in different reactor configurations?"

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**Gallifuoco A.**, D'Ercole L., Alfani F., Cantarella M., Spagna G., Pifferi P.G.

"On the use of chitosan immobilized  $\beta$ -glucosidase in wine-making:  
kinetics and enzyme inhibition?"

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*Biocatalysis and Biotransformations*, **16**, 395-409 (1998)

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Papa A.A., Di Carlo, A., Bocci, E., Taglieri L., Del Zotto, L., **Gallifuoco A.**

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**Gallifuoco A.**, Taglieri L., Papa A.A., Di Carlo A..

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**Gallifuoco A.**, Papa, A.A., Spera A., Taglieri L., Di Carlo A.

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