## **Author Profile**



P. G. Cozzi

The author presented on this page has recently published his 10th article since 2000 in Angewandte Chemie: "Stereoselective Reactions with Stabilized Carbocations": P. G. Cozzi, F. Benfatti, Angew. Chem. 2010, 122, 264–267; Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2010, 49, 256–259.

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1989-1994 Research associate with C. Scolastico (Milan), M. Cinquini and F. Cozzi (Milan), and

C. Floriani (Lausanne)

**Professional** 1994–2000 Assistant Professor in collaboration with A. Umani-Ronchi, University of Bologna

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Current research The development of new catalytic enantioselective reactions through the use of organometallic

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**Hobbies:** Mathematics, reading, playing guitar, running

## **I chose chemistry as a career because** ... it is a nice combination of theory and practice.

would have liked to have discovered ... football!

**M**y favorite subject at school was ... History.

When I wake up I ... prepare breakfast for my wife and myself.

The biggest challenge facing scientists is ... to find renewable sources of energy.

If I wasn't a scientist, I would be ... a chef.

The secrets of being a successful scientist are ... enthusiasm, tenacity—and hard work.

If I could go back in time and do any experiment, it would be ... sitting under a tree, waiting for an apple to fall on my head!

A good work day begins with ... my train arriving on time!

My favorite food is ... risotto.

My favorite author was ... Italo Calvino in the 1980s, Raymond Carver in the 1990s, and Björn Larsson now.

My favorite book is ... "Life: A User's Manual" by Georges Perec.

If I could be described as an animal it would be ... a cat.

My worst habit is ... to not listen to advice from friends and co-workers.

## My 5 top papers:

- "The First Catalytic Enantioselective Nozaki-Hiyama Reaction": M. Bandini, P. G. Cozzi, P. Melchiorre, A. Umani-Ronchi, Angew. Chem. 1999, 111, 3558-3561; Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 1999, 38, 3357-3359.
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