

Bio: Vera Alverdi received her BS in Chemistry from the University of Padova, Italy in 2001. She performed predoctoral research at the University of Udine, Italy before beginning her Ph.D. thesis work, in January 2005, in the Biomedical and Biotechnological Sciences Department at the University of Udine under Prof. Gennaro Esposito. In addition to her thesis work on “Multiple Approaches of Mass Spectrometry for Protein Functional Investigation”, she collaborated with many other groups in the department and was responsible for the mass spectrometry facility. Furthermore, in 2006 she studied abroad in Albert Heck’s lab at Utrecht University in the Netherlands in the Biomolecular mass spectrometry group where she was also awarded a short-term EMBO fellowship. She received her Ph.D. in 2008 and shortly thereafter she began her postdoc in the lab of Elizabeth Komives at UC San Diego in the Chemistry and Biochemistry Department. Her work there has focused on the kinetic interaction between NF κ B and I κ B α , a large project involving a number of groups in the department. She has presented posters at multiple conferences and has also recently given research talks as well.