

# *Menico Rizzi*

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## *Biography*

Menico Rizzi graduated in chemistry at the University of Pavia Italy and received a PhD in Structural biology at the same University. EMBO fellow at EMBL Hamburg, Germany is currently full professor of Biochemistry at the University of Piemonte Orientale, Novara, Italy. He is an expert in structural biology and enzymology and the head of a group investigating enzymes and proteins of medical interest, with a particular focus on poverty-linked diseases. Prof. Rizzi has a successful record as a group leader in European Commission funded projects under the FP5, FP6 and FP7 and received funding also from National Agencies and Private Foundations. Visiting scientist/professor at the University of York (UK), University of Kyoto (JP) and at the Japanese National Institute for infectious disease (Tokyo). Reviewer for several funding agencies (e.g. Human frontiers science program) and for many scientific journals (e.g. Nature, Nature structural and molecular biology). Member of the scientific committee of several National and International Congresses including FEBS and FASEB meetings and lecturer in International PhD Schools supported by UNESCO. Past President of the “Protein Chemistry” division of the Italian Society of Biochemistry and expert member for biological sciences of the Italian National Agency for the evaluation of university and research (ANVUR). Prof. Rizzi joined the International Nonproprietary Name Programme of the World Health Organization at the beginning of 2016 as an expert member. At the University of Piemonte Orientale he has been coordinator of the PhD program in Pharmaceutical biotechnologies, member of the Academic Senate, Deputy Rector for scientific research and is currently the President of the Evaluation advisory board.