



## CiQUS Lecture



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Bifunctional ligands for enantioselective  
Ag(I) and Au(I) catalysis



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### Biosketch:

Allegra Franchino was trained in asymmetric catalysis both during her BSc and MSc degrees at the University of Milan (Gennari group) and RWTH Aachen, and her PhD studies at the University of Oxford under the guidance of Prof. Darren Dixon (2013–2017). After a brief stint in industry, in September 2018 she joined the Echavarren group at ICIQ, supported by a 3-year MSCA COFUND fellowship, investigating gold and H-bond donor catalysis for alkyne activation. She then spent a year in the Morandi lab at ETH Zurich, working on amination reactions.

In September 2022, she started her independent career at Durham University, UK. Her group works on the combination of transition-metal complexes and organocatalysts for the synthesis of enantioenriched added-value products from unsaturated feedstock substrates.