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Prof. Ferraguti graduated in 1987 in Medicine at the University of Modena (Italy) where he also completed a Clinical Nutrition residency. After a postgraduate training at the Dept. Histology and Neurobiology, Karolinska Institutet (Sweden), with Prof. K. Fuxe and then at the Dept. Human Physiology, University of Modena (Italy), with Prof. L. Agnati, he joined in 1991 the Glaxo Medicines Research Centre in Verona (Italy) as a research scientist. From 1993-97 Prof. Ferraguti headed the Mol. Pharmacol. Laboratory of the Dept. Pharmacology at the Glaxo Medicines Research Centre.

In 1998, he moved to the Dept. Pathology of the University of Cambridge (U.K.) as a Senior Research Associate and in 2000 was recruited by the MRC Anatomical Neuropharmacology Unit-Dept. Pharmacology, University of Oxford, (U.K.) as band 3 Scientist, working with Prof. P. Somogyi. He received a call from the Medical University of Innsbruck (Austria) in 2003 first as an Assistant Prof. and then as Prof. of Neuropharmacology at the Dept. Pharmacology. Since 1st October 2011, he is the director of the Dept. Pharmacology of the Medical University of Innsbruck, and from December 2016 he is the Speaker of the PhD program “Signal Processing in Neurons (SPIN)”, one of the excellence doctoral programs funded by the Austrian Science Fund. In 2018 he became a member of the DANA foundation and in 2020 the president of the Austrian Neuroscience Association. He has been a visiting Prof. at the National Institute for Physiological Sciences in Okazaki (Japan) and the Institute of Neuroscience of the National Yang-Ming University in Taipei (Taiwan).

His research focuses on the structure and function of metabotropic glutamate receptors and on the neural mechanisms underlying emotional information processing.

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