

Roberto Giovanardi was born on August 1st, 1976 in Modena, Italy. He received the Laurea degree in Chemistry from the University of Modena and Reggio E. in 2000 and the Ph.D. degree in Materials Engineering from the University of Modena and Reggio E. in 2004. He was Assistant Professor at University of Modena and Reggio E. (from 2008 to 2016) and he is now Associate Professor at the same University, where currently he teaches the courses of 'Material Science and Metallurgy' and 'Corrosion and Protection of metallic materials' at the bachelor of Mechanical Engineering and at the Master Degree of Material Engineering respectively.

The more relevant topics of research during his post-doc activity were: applied electrochemistry, study of metal/solution interfaces during adsorption and electroplating processes, corrosion resistance of metallic alloys and protective coating for metals.

In particular he has developed an electrochemical model for the reduction of Cr(VI) during chromium electroplating, suitable processes to replace Cr(VI) or reduce its concentration in electrochemical baths and alternative coatings that shows properties similar to hard chromium.

Latest research are focused on the following topics:

- 1) electrodeposition of chromium from Cr(III) solutions;
- 2) thermochemical and post-thermochemical treatments to improve corrosion and wear resistance of steel and stainless steels;
- 3) development of chemical and electrochemical methods for the recovery of precious metals from electric and electronic wastes;
- 4) development of electrochemical treatments for the cleaning of TIG welds on austenitic stainless steel to improve the corrosion resistance of joint;
- 5) optimization of the anodizing process for heat-treated aluminum alloys.

Total number of publications: 79 papers on international scientific journals (peer reviewed), 11 papers on national journals, more than 60 proceedings in national and international conference, inventor of 1 patent.

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