



**DOTTORATO DI RICERCA IN
BIOINGEGNERIA E BIOINFORMATICA**

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PhD THESIS EVALUATION FORM

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Year**	2024
PhD Student	Alessandro De Carlo
Reviewer	Benjamin Ribba
Reviewer Affiliation	Industry
Date of the review	17.12.2024

Title of the PhD thesis*	Reinforcement Learning and PK/PD modelling for precision dosing
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Overall Assessment. Please suggest a possible outcome of the evaluation among the choices:

- ☐ PhD thesis not ready to be defended;
- ☐ PhD awardable;
- ☒ PhD awardable *cum laude* (top 10%)

Evaluation Table 1 of 2 (Please tick as appropriate: 4 – Excellent, 3 – Very Good, 2 – Good, 1 – Fair, 0 – Poor, Not App: Not Applicable). Please add a short comment if the evaluation is Fair or Poor

Scientific soundness and significance	4	3	2	2	0	Not App	Comment
Wide relevance/interest of the research theme	X						
Objectives well defined and scientifically supported		X					It would have been interesting to have a deeper reflection on the specific pain points the work is trying to address
Adequacy of the methodological approach		X					More exhaustive landscaping of RL approaches beyond QL would have been beneficial
Quality of the experimental setup		X					Similarly, more exhaustive list of methods and experimental setups would have been beneficial
Novelty of the approach	X						
Contribution to knowledge in the field	X						
Quality of the results	X						
Discussion and conclusions valid and properly supported		X					It would have been interesting to further discuss the results and conclusions from the angle of applicability and limitations

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Evaluation Table 2 of 2 (Please tick as appropriate: 4 – Excellent, 3 – Very Good, 2 – Good, 1 – Fair, 0 – Poor, Not App: Not Applicable). Please add a short comment if the evaluation is Fair or Poor

Written Document	4	3	2	1	0	Not App	Comment
Quality of the Abstract (is it exhaustive?)	X						
Document organization. Suitable balance of the component parts of the thesis	X						
Adequacy of the references	X						
Clarity	X						
Communication effectiveness	X						
Properly supported discussion and conclusions	X						

Comments/Notes

Please add here any further comments/notes that might be useful to the PhD Candidate for improving the final version of the thesis.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FOLLOWING SECTION WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE PhD CANDIDATE

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