




PERSONAL INFORMATION



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Gender Female | Date of birth Mar 9 1993 | Nationality Italy

WORK EXPERIENCE

Oct 2020 - present

Research fellow

Experimental psychologist for two European projects:

1. IM-TWIN: from Intrinsic Motivations to Transitional Wearable INtelligent companions for autism spectrum disorder

2. PlusMe: Transitional Wearable Companions for the therapy with children with Autism Spectrum Disorders

Istituto di Scienze e Tecnologie della Cognizione , via San Martino della Battaglia, 44 - ROMA (RM) Italy

Mar 2019 - Mar 2020

Internship

Hypothesis drafting, protocol definition, execution and analysis of the results of the following experiments:
- Aesthetic affordance: aimed at exploring how a particular feature of objects (the shape) affects emotion. The goal is to assess whether aesthetic emotion can be examined through changes in the autonomic nervous system

- Affordance and emotions: aimed at analyzing whether the passive view of emotional images influences the motor response to dangerous / neutral objects

- Affordance and smartphone: analyze if the smartphone can elicit many more affordances than other devices

- Empath-AI: measurement of the physiological response to emotional images through biosensors

- Affordance, EEG and peripersonal space: investigate whether EEG evidence supports the functioning of an inhibitory mechanism that interferes with the coding of dangerous objects and whether this mechanism can be affected by the distance of an object

Institute of Cognitive Sciences and Technologies - CNR , Via S. Martino della Battaglia,44,00185 Roma RM - ROMA (RM) Italy

Jan 2018 - Jul 2018

Internship

Planning and execution of a research project in fMRI, including the creation of run, the recruitment of participants, acquisition of data and the data analysis.

Fondazione Santa Lucia IRCCS , Via Ardeatina,306/354 - ROMA (RM) Italy

Nov 2014 - Mar 2015

Internship

Participation in a research project aimed at the Italian validation of the RAT (The Remote Associates Test) and the identification of gender differences regarding divergent thinking and convergent thinking.

Università degli Studi dell'Aquila , Via Giovanni di Vincenzo,16/B,67100 - L'AQUILA (AQ) Italy

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2016 - 2018

NEUROSCIENZE COGNITIVE E RIABILITAZIONE PSICOLOGICA

EQF level 7

Sapienza Università di Roma - Faculty of Medicine and Psychology

2nd level-cycle degree/Master of Science (2 years)

2012 - 2016

SCIENZE PSICOLOGICHE APPLICATE

EQF level 6

Università degli Studi dell'AQUILA - Department of Life, Health and Environmental Sciences

1st level-cycle degree/Bachelor (3 years)

Postgraduate studies

TRAINING COURSE

2018

Corso di formazione sulle problematiche di sicurezza in RM

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s)

Italian

Foreign language(s)

English

UNDERSTANDING				SPEAKING				WRITING	
Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production			
B1	Independent	B1	Independent	B1	Independent	B1	Independent	B1	Independent

Levels: A1/A2: Basic user - B1/B2: Independent user - C1/C2: Proficient user
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Digital competences

SELF-ASSESSMENT				
INFORMATION PROCESSING	COMMUNICATION	CONTENT CREATION	SAFETY	PROBLEM SOLVING
Independent user	Proficient user	Independent user	Proficient user	Proficient user

Digital competences - Self-assessment grid

Basic digital competence:**OFFICE AUTOMATION**

Office Suite: Microsoft Office (Highly Specialised) | **Presentation Software:** Microsoft PowerPoint (Highly Specialised) | **Spreadsheets:** Microsoft Excel (Highly Specialised) | **Word Processors:** Microsoft Word (Highly Specialised)

APPLICATION SOFTWARE

CAD - Assisted Design: Autodesk 3ds (Foundation) | **Statistical analysis:** R Studio (Highly Specialised), SPSS (Highly Specialised)

COMPUTER PROGRAMMING

Markup languages: LaTeX (Highly Specialised) | **Programming languages:** Python (Intermediate)

GRAPHICS AND MULTIMEDIA

GIMP (Highly Specialised) | **Video Editing and Processing:** Kdenlive (Highly Specialised)

PUBLICATIONS

Conference proceedings

"Leveraging curiosity to encourage social interactions in children with Autism Spectrum Disorders"; F. Giocondo, N. Faedda, G. Cavalli, V. Sperati, B. Özcan, F. Giovannone, C. Sogos, V. Guidetti, G. Baldassarre ; international conference of Human-Computer Interaction CHI 2022 (2022)

"'X-8': An Experimental Interactive Toy to Support Turn-Taking Games in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders" ; Özcan B., Sperati V., Giocondo F., Baldassarre G. ; Communications in Computer and Information Science, vol 1419 ; Stephanidis C., Antona M., Ntoa S. (eds) HCI International 2021 - Posters. HCII 2021 (2021)

[10.1007/978-3-030-78635-9_32](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-78635-9_32)

Journal articles

"Motor inhibition to dangerous objects: Electrophysiological evidence for task-dependent aversive affordances" ; Magda Mustile, Flora Giocondo, Daniele Caligiore, Anna M. Borghi, Dimitrios Kour ; Journal of cognitive neuroscience (2021)

pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33571078/

"Spinocerebellar ataxia: a critical review of cognitive and socio-cognitive deficits" ; Flora Giocondo and Giuseppe Curcio ; International Journal of Neuroscience (2017)

doi.org/10.1080/00207454.2017.1377198