

Alessandra Monni

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EDUCATION

- October 2015**
present **PhD student in Psychology and Cognitive Science**
University La Sapienza of Rome
PhD project: "Effects of approach and avoidance on mental and physical health: emotional and cognitive mechanisms".
- September 2008**
April 2011 **Master of Science Degree in Clinical and Health Psychology**
University of Florence, Italy
110/110 cum laudae
Defended research thesis on 'Depression vulnerability and memory of facial expressions'
Supervisor: Prof. C. Caudek.
- September 2005**
December 2008 **Bachelor of Science Degree in Clinical and Community Psychology**
University of Florence, Italy
Final examination on 'Vulnerability to psychopathology: risk and protective factors in elderly'.

EXPERIENCE

- March 2014**
October 2014 **Unit of Clinical Psychology, Santa Chiara University Hospital**
Pisa (Italy)
Volunteer research assistant – Research on neurobiological correlates of mood state: Involved in exploration of regional homogeneity (ReHo) with resting-state fMRI technique performing data analysis with AFNI software (Analysis of Functional NeuroImages, <http://afni.nimh.nih.gov/>) (Cox, 1996). I am currently working on the final manuscript.
- February 2014**
July 2014 **Department of Neurosciences, Psychology, Pharmacology and Child Health University of Florence**
Florence (Italy)
Volunteer research assistant – Research on depression vulnerability and behavioral evidence: involved in research on startle eyeblink, lie detection and time perception in individual vulnerable to depression.

March 2013	Stella Maris Foundation – Calambrone Hospital
September 2013	Scientific Institute for Research, Hospitalization and Health Care Pisa (Italy) <u>Internship</u> : Child neuropsychology assessment (Wisc-IV, WPPSI-III, BVN, Leiter-R, Griffiths, Uzgiris-Hunt) and interventions for neurodevelopmental (e.g., dyslexic rehabilitation).
September 2012	National Research Council (CNR) - Institute of Clinical Physiology
March 2013	Pisa (Italy) <u>Internship</u> : Elementary training in psychopathological therapy for bipolar and anxiety disorder.
July 2011	Center for Neuroscience and Cognitive Systems
April 2012	Italian Institute of Technology IIT Rovereto (TN), Italy <u>Research assistant</u> : Action-perception research, involved in the use of complex systems (Optotrack Certus NDI) and designing and programming experiments, testing and analyzing data.

TRAININGS

September 2016	Summer school in methodology - Italian Psychology Association (5-10 September 2016, Bertinoro - Italy) “Mediator and moderator variables: application on generalized linear mixed models”
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SCHOLARSHIPS

- Academic years 2009/2010: Scholarship “DSU Toscana” - University of Florence
- Academic year 2007/2008 and 2008/2009: Scholarship “Homo sapiens sapiens” - National Insurance Institute for Employees of Public Administration
- Academic year 2009/2010: “Scholarship for deserving students” -Sardinia Region

LANGUAGES

- Italian: mother tongue
- English: intermediate

SKILLS

- Software: excellent knowledge of MS Excel, MS Word, MS Power Point.
Good knowledge of Gimp II, R-project, Latex.

PUBBLICATIONS

Caudek, C., Monni, A. (2013) "Do you remember your sad face? The roles of negative cognitive style and sad mood" *Memory*, 21(8), 891-903.

Monni, A., Caudek, C. "Sad benefit on self-face working memory: the effect of depression vulnerability" *Science of Experiential and Qualitative Spaces - SEQS Workshop Rovereto 19-22 February 2012, Italy*.

Monni, A., Caudek, C., Domini, F. (Publication in VSS 2012 Abstracts) "Sad benefit on self-face working memory: the effect of depression vulnerability" *Vision Sciences Society (VSS) Naples 11-16 May 2012, Florida*.

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