

*Curriculum Vitae*

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**RESEARCH INTEREST**

**Primary:** Cognitive Psychology (perception, attention and action), Psycholinguistics (word meanings and concepts), Cognitive ergonomics

**Secondary:** Logic, Philosophy of language

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**RESEARCH EXPERIENCES**

Postdoc, Department of Biomedical, Metabolic and Neural Sciences

**University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, October 2020 – September 2022**

Tutor activities: Supervision of research activities of students in the lab and remotely; Hold a tutor group discussion or question time debate

**University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, October 2019 – September 2022**

Lab Manager (Human Cognition Lab): programming of lab- and web-based experiments by using E-Prime and Gorilla, respectively

**University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, October 2017 - September 2022**

Postdoc, Department of Education and Human Sciences

**University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, October 2017 – September 2020**

Visiting PhD student, School of Arts and Social Sciences, Department of Psychology. Worked in Prof. James Hampton's lab on categorization, concepts and conceptual combination

**City, University of London, October 2014 - June 2015**

PhD student in “Science Cognition and Technology”

**University of Bologna, October 2013 – March 2017**

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**TEACHING EXPERIENCES**

Adjunct Professor

- Psycholinguistics

## **University of Bologna, September 2022 -**

Teaching Assistant:

- General Psychology (Prof. Igor Sotgiu)

## **University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, September 2022 –**

- Cognitive Psychology in digital fields (Prof. Cristina Iani)

## **University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, September 2022 –**

- Introduction to Psychology (Prof. Sandro Rubichi)

## **University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, September 2019 –**

- Cognitive Psychology (Prof. Cristina Iani)

## **University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, March 2020 – May 2020**

- Co-Supervision of Undergraduate Theses:

## **University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, 2018 – 2022**

- *Sulla relazione tra affordance e aprassia*  
by Margherita Davoli, Supervisor Prof. Sandro Rubichi (2022)
- *Orientamento dello sguardo e pianificazione di azioni*  
by Sara Dragoni, Supervisor Prof. Sandro Rubichi (2022)
- *Il ruolo dell'affettività nell'effetto affordance*  
by Simone Tolino, Supervisor Prof.ssa Cristina Iani (2021)
- *Affordance and Simon effects: A study on their relationship*  
by Melissa Crevacore, Supervisor Prof. Sandro Rubichi (2020)
- *Quando l'atto motorio facilita la comprensione linguistica: Affordance e linguaggio in interazione*  
by Sara Gambetta, Supervisor Prof. Sandro Rubichi (2018)

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## **EDUCATION**

**PhD Science, Cognition and Technology (SCT), University of Bologna, 2017**

**Visiting PhD student, City, University of London, October 2014 - June 2015**

**M.A. Philosophical Sciences (*Magna cum laude*), University of Bologna, 2012**

**Master in Literature and Publishing for children, University of Roma Tre, 2005-2006**

**B.A. Philosophy (*Magna cum laude*), University of Bologna, 2005**

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## **GRANTS AND HONOURS**

**Postdoc fellowship**, University of Modena e Reggio Emilia, 2017 – 2022

**Volkswagen Foundation Grant for attending the Summer School “Concepts in Action: Representation, Learning and Applications (CARLA)”, Osnabrück University, 2018**

**Doctoral fellowship**, University of Bologna, 2013 – 2016

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#### SCIENTIFIC REVIEWER

**2017 -**

*Attention, Perception and Psychophysics*

*Cognition*

*Cognitive Science*

*Cortex*

*Frontiers in Psychology*

*Giornale Italiano di Psicologia*

*Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception and Performance*

*Journal of Memory and Language*

**PlosOne (Academic Editor)**

*Psychological Research*

*Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*

*Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology*

*Scientific Reports*

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#### MEMBERSHIPS

- American Psychological Association (APA)
- Associazione Italiana di Psicologia (AIP);
- European Society for Cognitive Psychology (ESCoP)
- Psychonomic Society

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#### PUBLICATIONS

**Scerrati, E.**, Nicoletti, R., Rubichi, S., Scorolli, C. Lugli, L. (2023). Compatibility effects with destination and origin of motion. *Plos one*, 18(2), e0281829. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0281829

**Scerrati, E.**, Rubichi, S. Iani, C. (2022). Does a fearful look prompt to act? The effects of gaze and face emotional expression on manipulable objects. *Frontiers in Psychology: Emotion Science*. doi: 10.3389/fpsyg.2022.927104

Villani, C., D'Ascenzo, S., **Scerrati, E.**, Lugli, L., Ricciardelli, P., Nicoletti, R. (2022). Wearing the face mask affects our social attention over space. *Frontiers in Psychology*. doi: 10.3389/fpsyg.2022.923558

**Scerrati, E.**, D'Ascenzo, S., Lugli, L., Villani, C., Nicoletti, R. (2022). Assessing Interpersonal Proximity Evaluation in the Covid-19 Era: Evidence from the Affective Priming task. *Frontiers in Psychology: Theoretical and Philosophical Psychology*. doi: 10.3389/fpsyg.2022.901730

**Scerrati, E.**, Rubichi, S., Nicoletti, R., Iani, C. (2022). Emotions in Motion: Affective Valence Can Influence Compatibility Effects with Graspable Objects. *Psychological Research*. doi: 10.1007/s00426-022-01688-6.

D'Ascenzo, S., **Scerrati, E.**, Villani, C., Lugli, L., Nicoletti, R. (2022). Does Social distancing affect the processing of brand logos? *Brain and Behavior*, e2501. doi: 10.1002/brb3.2501

**Scerrati, E.**, Marzola, G., Villani, C., Lugli, L., D'Ascenzo, S. (2021). Nuovi scenari per gli esperimenti in psicologia: la modalità online. *Giornale Italiano di Psicologia*, 4, 843-863. doi: 10.1421/104144

D'Ascenzo, S., **Scerrati, E.**, Villani, C., Lugli, L. (2021). Processi cognitivi e pandemia: L'influenza del distanziamento sociale sull'elaborazione di loghi commerciali. *Giornale Italiano di Psicologia*, 2, 577-585. doi: 10.1421/102710

**Scerrati, E.**, Iani, C., Rubichi, S. (2021). Does the activation of motor information affect semantic processing? In L. Bechberger, K.U. Kühnberger, M. Liu (Eds.), *Concepts in Action: Representation, Learning and Application*. Springer Nature. doi: 10.1007/978-3-030-69823-2\_7

**Scerrati, E.**, Lugli, L., Scorolli, C. (2020). Quando immaginare gli effetti di un'azione genera compatibilità spaziale: Uno studio preliminare. *Giornale Italiano di Psicologia*, 3(4), 981-989. doi: 10.1421/100084

**Scerrati, E.**, D'Ascenzo, S., Lugli, L., Iani, C., Rubichi, S., & Nicoletti, R. (2020). Exploring the role of action consequences in the handle-response compatibility effect. *Frontiers in Human Neuroscience*, 14. doi: 10.3389/fnhum.2020.00286

**Scerrati, E.**, Iani, C., Lugli, L., Nicoletti, R., Rubichi, S. (2020). Do my hands prime your hands? The hand-to-response correspondence effect. *Acta Psychologica*, 203, 103012. doi: 10.1016/j.actpsy.2020.103012

**Scerrati, E.**, Iani, C., Lugli, L., Rubichi, S. (2019). C'è un effetto di potenziamento dell'azione con oggetti bimanuali? *Giornale Italiano di Psicologia*, 46(4), 987-996. doi: 10.1421/95573

**Scerrati, E.**, Lugli, L., Nicoletti, R., Borghi, A.M. (2019). Is the Acoustic Modality Relevant for Abstract Concepts? A Study with the Extrinsic Simon Task. In M. Bolognesi, G. J. Steen (Eds.), *Perspectives on Abstract Concepts: Cognition, language and communication* (pp. 101-118). Amsterdam: John Benjamins. doi: 10.1075/hcp.65.06sce

**Scerrati, E.**, D'Ascenzo, S. (2018). Effetti di corrispondenza con oggetti a funzione implicita versus esplicita. *Giornale italiano di psicologia*, 45(3), 669-676. doi: 10.1421/92818

**Scerrati, E.**, Lugli, L., Nicoletti, R., Umiltà, C. (2017). Comparing Stroop-like and Simon Effects on Perceptual Features. *Scientific Reports*, 7(1), 1-11. doi: 10.1038/s41598-017-18185-1

Yearsley, J.M., Barque-Duran, A., **Scerrati, E.**, Hampton, J.A. & Pothos, E.M. (2017). The Triangle Inequality Constraint in Similarity Judgments. *Progress in Biophysics and Molecular Biology*, 130, 26-32. doi: 10.1016/j.pbiomolbio.2017.03.005

**Scerrati, E.**, Lugli, L., Nicoletti, R. Borghi, A.M. (2017). The Multilevel Modality-Switch Effect: What Happens When We See the Bees Buzzing and Hear the Diamonds Glistening. *Psychonomic Bulletin & Review*, 24(3), 798-803. doi: 10.3758/s13423-016-1150-2.

**Scerrati, E.**, Baroni, G., Borghi, A.M., Galatolo, R., Lugli, L., Nicoletti, R. (2015). The Modality-Switch Effect: Visually and Aurally Presented Prime Sentences Activate Our Senses. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 6, 1668. doi: 10.3389/fpsyg.2015.01668

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## CONFERENCES

**2022, ISRE**, International Society for Research on Emotion Conference, poster: *The combined effect of gaze and face emotion on action*. Los Angeles, California, USA 15-18 luglio.

**2021, AIP**, Associazione Italiana di Psicologia - XXVII Congresso Nazionale della sezione di Psicologia Sperimentale, mini-talk: *Effetti di priming affettivo durante la pandemia: differenze individuali*. Online Meeting, September 8-10

**2020 Psychonomic Society** – 61st Annual Meeting, poster: *The effect of gaze-oriented attention on handle-response compatibility effects*, Online Meeting, November 19-21.

**2020 AIP**, Associazione Italiana di Psicologia - XXVI Congresso Nazionale della sezione di Psicologia Sperimentale, mini-talk: *Does action representation facilitate word processing?* Online Meeting, September 2-4 settembre

**2019 ESCoP** 21st Conference of the European Society for Cognitive Psychology, poster presentation: *Unconfounding compatibility effects with graspable objects*. Tenerife, Spain, September 25-28

**2019 AIP**, Associazione Italiana di Psicologia - XXV Congresso Nazionale della sezione di Psicologia Sperimentale, mini-talk: *Il ruolo della valenza emotiva in compiti di compatibilità spaziale con oggetti afferrabili*. Milan, Italy, September 18-20

**2019 AIP**, Associazione Italiana di Psicologia - XXV Congresso Nazionale della sezione di Psicologia Sperimentale, mini-talk: *Effetti di corrispondenza con oggetti afferrabili: uno studio sulle caratteristiche degli stimoli*. Milan, Italy, September 18-20

**2019 International Convention of Psychological Science (ICPS)**, poster presentation: *Do my hands prime your hands? Effects of (grasped) handles on keypress responses with two-handled objects*. Paris, France, March 7-9

**2018 Cognitive Structures (CoSt18)** Linguistic, Philosophical, and Psychological Perspectives, oral presentation: *The modifier effect with unknown subcategories*. Düsseldorf, Germany, September 12-14

**2018 CARLA workshop**, Concepts in Action: Representation, Learning and Application, oral presentation: *Does the activation of motor information affect semantic processing?* Osnabrück, Germany, August 11-12

**2018 AIP**, Associazione Italiana di Psicologia - XXIV Congresso Nazionale della sezione di Psicologia Sperimentale, poster presentation: *Effects of (grasped) handles alignment on keypress responses with two-handled objects.* Madrid, Spain, July 3-6

**2018 Cognitive Science Arena (CSA)**, poster: *Is there an affordance effect with two-handled objects?* Brixen (Bz), Italy, February 23-24

**2016 Abstract Concepts Symposium**, Structure, Processing and Modeling, poster: *A study on abstract concepts with the extrinsic Simon task.* Amsterdam, The Netherlands, November 18

**2016 CogSci**, Recognizing and Representing Events: Integrating Psychological, Philosophical, Linguistic, Computational and Neural Perspectives, poster: *Seeing the Bees Buzz and Hearing the Diamonds Glisten: The Effect of the Mode of Presentation of Stimuli on the Modality-Switch Effect.* Philadelphia, PA, USA, August 10-13

**2016 Emergent Meaning workshop**, Neural, Social, and Computational Perspectives, poster: *Does the Mode of Presentation of Stimuli Affect Modality-Switching Costs? A Study with the Lexical Decision Task.* Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA, USA, August 10

**2016 ICT conference**, International Conference on Thinking, poster: *Is the color of "Culture" visual or auditory? A study on abstract concepts with the Extrinsic Simon task.* Brown University, Providence, RI, USA, August 4-6

**2016 ModelAct conference**, Action, Language and Cognition, poster: *Is the acoustic modality relevant for abstract concepts? An investigation with implicit measures.* Rome, Italy, June 6-7

**2015 ESCoP**, 19th Conference of the European Society for Cognitive Psychology, poster: *Visually and aurally presented prime sentences automatically activate our senses.* Paphos, Cyprus, September 17-20

**2015 AIP**, Associazione Italiana di Psicologia - XXI Congresso Nazionale della sezione di Psicologia Sperimentale, oral presentation: *Il ruolo della modalità del contenuto e del modo di presentazione dello stimolo nella determinazione del modality-switch effect.* Rovereto, Italy, September 10-12

**2015 EPS workshop**, Language in context: An ecological turn to embodied language, poster: *The modality-switch effect: New insights from language processing.* London, United Kingdom, January 10-11

**2014 AIP**, Associazione Italiana di Psicologia - XX Congresso Nazionale della Sezione di Psicologia Sperimentale, oral presentation: *Il Modality-switch Effect in uno studio sui concetti: evidenze a favore di un priming percettivo di tipo linguistico.* Pavia, Italy, September 15-17

**2014 ESLP conference**, Embodied and Situated Language Processing, poster: *The Modality-switch effect: New insights from language processing.* Rotterdam, The Netherlands, August 19-21

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## **INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOLS**

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- Bayesian Hypothesis Testing: A JASP workshop  
online, August 2021
  - Concepts in Action: Representation, Learning and Application (CARLA) fully funded by Volkswagen Foundation  
Osnabrück University; Osnabrück - Germany, August 2018
  - 20<sup>th</sup> Cognitive Science Summer School  
New Bulgarian University; NBU, Sofia - Bulgaria, July 2013
  - Summer School of Logic  
University of Milan; Gargnano - August 2012
  - Summer School of Logic  
University of Milan; Gargnano - August 2011
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## **MATERNITY AND PARENTAL LEAVE**

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**Maternity leave**, 8 May 2021- 13 October 2021

**Parental leave**, 1 February 2022 – 31 July 2022

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