

Curriculum vitae
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Professional Profile

Developmental psychologist with extensive experience in motor and cognitive development in infancy and early childhood. Currently, tenure-track researcher at Università degli Studi Niccolò Cusano (Rome, Italy), actively involved in teaching and research both at the national and international levels. Research activity focuses on embodied cognition approaches to infant development, including the influence of complementary feeding methods on cognitive trajectories.

Current Position

Tenure-Track Researcher in Developmental and Educational Psychology at the Department of Economic, Psychological, and Communication Sciences, Università degli Studi Niccolò Cusano, Rome, Italy.

Research Interests

- Motor and cognitive development in infancy
- Embodied cognition and early learning
- Infant feeding practices and cognitive outcomes

- Risk markers and developmental pathways for ASD
- Parent-infant interaction and socio-communicative development

Education

2015 – Ph.D. in *Psychology and Cognitive Science* at Sapienza University of Rome (Italy).
Dissertation title: “Motor Planning Abilities in High- and Low-Risk Children for Autism Spectrum Disorder”.

2011 – Master’s Degree in Developmental Psychology, *summa cum laude*, at Sapienza University of Rome (Italy).

Dissertation title: “Intertemporal Choice Performance in Capuchin Monkeys (*Cebus apella*) and Preschool Children”.

Professional Experience

2020–2023 – Senior postdoctoral Research Fellow, ISTC-CNR, “SPOON Project – weaning and cognitive development” (funded by the Italian Ministry of Health - PRIN 2017- PI: Dr. E. Addessi, Co-PI: Prof. F. Bellagamba);

2018–2020 – Post-doctoral fellow at Developmental Neuroscience Lab at Campus Bio-Medico University of Rome;

2016–2018 – Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Campus Bio-Medico University of Rome (NIH-funded project on ASD risk to Jana Marie Iverson);

2011–2015 – Research Assistant, Campus Bio-Medico University of Rome (EU Project IM-CLeVer and NIH funded Projects).

Career Interruptions

- Maternity leaves: Feb 2017–Oct 2017; Jun 2019–Jan 2020.

Other Academic Roles

2025 - University Supervisor for Psychology Students' Internships

2024 to date: Erasmus+ Coordinator – Psychology area, Università Niccolò Cusano

2024 to date: Representative for students with Specific Learning Disabilities - Psychology area, Niccolò Cusano University

2024 to date - Member of the Review Group for Quality Assurance

Teaching Experience

2024 to date - Member of the Academic Board of the PhD Program in "Well-being, Emerging Systems, and Bio-Psycho-Social Complexity" at Niccolò Cusano University for the academic year 2024–2025;

2024 to date – Lecturer of Psychology of Perception course (9 CFU), Master’s Degree Program, Università degli Studi Niccolò Cusano;

2023 to date – Lecturer, Psychology of Disability and Rehabilitation course (9 CFU), Bachelor's Degree Program, Università degli Studi Niccolò Cusano;

2023–2024 – Lecturer of Techniques of Observation and Evaluation of Child Behavior (3CFU)– Bachelor's Degree Program, University of Rome “Tor Vergata”;

2023 to date – Guest Lecturer, Language and Communicative Development in Infancy, Opera Nazionale Montessori, Rome (Italy);

2014–2016 – Teaching Assistant, Developmental Psychology, Sapienza University of Rome;

Collaborations in National and International Projects

- SPOON 2 (Long-term impact of complementary feeding approach in preschool children: developmental outcomes, eating behaviour and food sustainability, MUR (Italian Ministry for University and Scientific Research) -- PRIN 2023 (Progetti di Rilevante Interesse Nazionale) grant number 2017WH8B84
- SPOON Project (2019 Understanding how complementary feeding method longitudinally affects developmental outcomes in young children, MIUR (Italian Ministry for University and Scientific Research) -- PRIN (Progetti di Rilevante

Interesse Nazionale) European Union Next Generation EU, Mission 4 Component 1, CUP B53D23014810006, grant number 2022S8PEY7

- EU project “Im-Clever” (Intrinsically Motivated Cumulative Learning Versatile Robots FP7-EU-ICT 2008)
- NIH project R21 “Sensor-based technology in the study of motor skills in infants at risk for ASD”
- NIH Project R01 “Reaching, posture, object exploration, and language development in children at high and low risk for ASD”
- MEDIA Project (Music: EmboDiment In Action – funded by Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma)

Awards

Best Poster Award at the Protolang Conference (8th Edition) – Way to (Proto)language conference series, Rome, 27–28 September 2023. Pecora, G., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Ciolli, M., Iaboni, E., Palladino, N., Di Prete, A., Farrow, C., Shapiro, L., Galloway, A., Chiarotti, F., Caravale, B., Gastaldi, S., Addressi, E., Bellagamba, F. *Self-feeding and intentional communication during the meal in 12-month-old infants.*

Awarded a €2,000 merit grant for researchers and research fellows to strengthen their professional position and enhance the research system in the Lazio Region (Italy)– Annual Call 2022, funded by Regione Lazio (PR FSE 2021–2027).

Poster Award at the “Giornate di Neuropsicologia dell’Età Evolutiva 2022,” XVII Edition, Online, 19–22 January 2022. Pecora, G., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Barca, L., Chiarotti, F., Borghi, A.M., Gasparini, C., Caravale, B., Bombaci, I., Gastaldi, S., Bellagamba, F., Addressi, E. *Sleep and child development during the first 8 months of life.*

Peer-Review Activity

Reviewer for:

- *Scientific Reports*
- *Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders*

- *Journal of Healthcare Engineering*
- *Journal of Communication Disorders*

Publications

1. Di Prete, A., Caruso, G. M., Del Grosso, D., Giacomini, E., Picuno, S., Trappetti, G., Focaroli, V., ... & Addessi, E. (2025). Maternal responsiveness to child receptiveness and fullness cues from 8 to 24 months of age and their relation with complementary feeding approach and language proficiency. *Appetite*, 108224.
2. Paoletti, M., Focaroli, V., Pecora, G., Barr, R., Chiarotti, F., Caravale, B., ... & Bellagamba, F. (2025). Maternal Media Use and Infant Media Exposure are Associated with Developmental Outcomes at 4 and 8 Months. *Parenting*, 25(1), 66-101.
3. Focaroli, V., Chiaro, M., Battaglia, M. V., Guidetti, L., & Velardi, A. (2024). Educational Intervention on Awareness of Health-Damaging Behaviors in Educators. *Sports*, 12(12), 348.
4. Focaroli, V., Taffoni, F., Velardi, A., Caravale, B., & Keller, F. (2024). Object Exploration and Manipulation in Infants at Typical vs. Elevated Likelihood for ASD: A Review. *Children*, 11(7), 825.
5. Iverson, J.M., Britsch, E.R., Schneider, J.L., Plate, S.N., Focaroli, V., Taffoni, F., Keller, F. (2024). Reaching while learning to sit: capturing the kinematics of co-developing skills at home. *Developmental Psychobiology*, <https://doi.org/10.1002/dev.22527>.
6. Di Prete, A., Del Grosso, D., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Pecora, G., Hodges, E.A., Galloway, A., Farrow, C., Chiarotti, F., Caravale, B., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Bellagamba, F., Addessi, E. (2023). Complementary feeding approach and maternal responsiveness in 8- and 12-month-old Italian infants: a longitudinal study. *Appetite*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.appet.2023.107028>.
7. Pecora, G., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Barca, L., Chiarotti, F., Borghi, A. M., Gasparini, C., Caravale, B., Bombaci, I., Gastaldi, S., Bellagamba, F., Addessi,

- E. (2022). Infant sleep and development: Concurrent and longitudinal relations during the first 8 months of life. *Infant Behavior and Development*, 67, 101719.
8. Gasparini, C., Caravale, B., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Pecora, G., Bellagamba, F., Gastaldi, S., Addessi, E. (2022). Online Assessment of Motor, Cognitive, and Communicative Achievements in 4 Month-Old Infants. *Children*, 9(3), 424.
9. Addessi, E., Tierno, V., Focaroli, V., Rossi, F., Gastaldi, S., De Petrillo, F., Paglieri, F. & Stevens, J. R. (2021). Are capuchin monkeys (*Sapajus* spp.) sensitive to lost opportunities? The role of opportunity costs in intertemporal choice. *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B*, 376(1819), 20190674.
10. Taffoni, F., Focaroli, V., Visco, A. M., Noce, F., & Lubrano, R. (2020). New methods and tools to assess nutritive sucking in newborns: effect of different feeding bottles on nutritive performance. *Journal of Biological Regulators and Homeostatic Agents*, 34(5 Suppl. 3), 137-146.
11. Taffoni, F.*, Focaroli V.*, Keller, F., Iverson, J.M. (2019). Motor performance in a shape sorter task: a longitudinal study from 14 to 36 months of age in children with an older sibling ASD. *PLOS ONE*, 14 (5).
12. Focaroli, V., Iverson, J.M. (2017), Children's Object Manipulation: a tool for knowing the external world and communicative development. In Di Stefano, N., Bertolaso, M. (ed), *The Hand*, Springer, Cham, pp. 19-27.
13. Di Stefano, N., Focaroli, V., Giuliani, A., Formica, D., Taffoni, F., & Keller, F. (2017). A new research method to test auditory preferences in young listeners: Results from a consonance versus dissonance perception study. *Psychology of Music*, 45(5), 699-712.
14. Taffoni, F., Di Perna, L., Formica, D., Focaroli, V., Keller, F., & Di Stefano, N. (2017). A sensor-based approach to study sound perception in children. *International Journal of Computer Applications in Technology*, 55(3), 173-182.
15. Focaroli, V., Taffoni, F., Parsons, S.M., Keller, F., Iverson, J.M. (2016). Performance of Motor Sequences in Children at Heightened vs. Low Risk for ASD: A Longitudinal Study from 18 to 36 Months of Age. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 7, 724. <http://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2016.00724>.

16. Di Perna, L., Di Stefano, N., Formica, D., Focaroli, V., & Taffoni, F. (2016). The sound of actions: A new tool to study music perception in young children. In 2016 38th Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society (EMBC) (pp. 2063-2066). IEEE.
17. Focaroli, V., Taffoni, F., Iverson, J.M. (2015). Abilità di pianificazione motoria nei bambini a sviluppo tipico e con Disturbo dello Spettro Autistico. *Psicologia Clinica dello Sviluppo*, Il Mulino.
18. Bellagamba, F., Addessi, E., Focaroli, V., Pecora, G., Maggiorelli, V., Pace, B., Paglieri, F. (2015). False belief understanding and “cool” inhibitory control in 3-and 4-year-old Italian children. *Frontiers in Psychology*, section Cognitive Science.
19. Taffoni, F., Focaroli, V., Tamilia, E., Keller, F., J.M. Iverson (2014). "A Technological Approach to Studying Motor Planning Ability in Children at High Risk for ASD". EMBC 2014.
20. Taffoni, F., Tamilia E., Focaroli, V., Formica, D., Ricci, L., Di Pino, G., Baldassarre, G., Mirolli, M., Guglielmelli, E., Keller, F. (2014). Development of goal-directed action selection guided by intrinsic motivations: an experiment with children. *Experimental Brain Research*: 1-11.
21. Addessi, E., Bellagamba, F., Delfino, A., De Petrillo, F., Focaroli, V., Macchitella, L., ... & Paglieri, F. (2014). Waiting by mistake: symbolic representation of rewards modulates intertemporal choice in capuchin monkeys, preschool children and adult humans. *Cognition*, 428-441.
22. Paglieri, F., Focaroli, V., Bramlett, J., Tierno, V., McIntyre, J. M., Addessi, E., Evans, T. A., Beran, M. J. (2013). The hybrid delay task: can capuchin monkeys (*Cebus apella*) sustain a delay after an initial choice to do so? *Behavioural Processes*, 94, 45–54.
23. Addessi, E., Paglieri, F., Beran, M. J., Evans, T., Macchitella, L., De Petrillo, F., Focaroli, V. (2013). Delay choice versus delay maintenance: different measures of delayed gratification in capuchin monkeys (*Cebus apella*). *Journal of Comparative Psychology*, doi: 10.1037/a0031869.

24. Ventricelli, M., Focaroli, V., De Petrillo, F., Macchitella, Paglieri, F., Addressi, E. (2013). How capuchin monkeys (*Cebus apella*) behaviorally cope with increasing delay in a self-control task. *Behavioural Processes*, 100, 146–152.
25. Taffoni, F., Focaroli, V., Formica, D., Guglielmelli, E., Keller, F., Iverson, J.M. (2012). Sensor-based technology in the study of motor skills in infants at risk for ASD. *Biomedical Robotics and Biomechatronics (BioRob)*, 2012 4th IEEE RAS & EMBS International Conference, 24-27 Giugno 2012, 1879 – 1883.
26. Addressi, E., Paglieri, F. & Focaroli, V. (2011). The ecological rationality of delay tolerance: insights from capuchin monkeys. *Cognition*, 119, 142-147.

Scientific conferences

1. Pecora, G., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Ciolli, M., Iaboni, E., Palladino, N., Di Prete, A., Farrow, C., Shapiro, L., Galloway, A., Chiarotti, F., Caravale, B., Gastaldi, S., Addressi, E., Bellagamba, F. Autonomous feeding and linguistic markers of social comprehension in the first two years of life. Poster presentation by Giulia Pecora at CLASTA Days, Milan, 17-18 May 2024.
2. Pecora, G., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Ciolli, M., Iaboni, E., Palladino, N., Di Prete, A., Farrow, C., Shapiro, L., Galloway, A., Chiarotti, F., Caravale, B., Gastaldi, S., Addressi, E., Bellagamba, F. Self-feeding and communicative development during the first two years of life: concurrent and longitudinal associations. Poster presentation by Giulia Pecora at XXIV ICIS Congress, Glasgow, 8-11 July 2024.
3. Di Prete, A., Caruso, G.M., Del Grosso, D., Giacomini, E., Picuno, S., Trappetti, G., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Pecora, G., Hodges, E., Galloway, A., Farrow, C., Chiarotti, F., Caravale, B., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Bellagamba, F., Addressi, E. Complementary feeding and maternal responsiveness in 8 to 24-month-old infants: a longitudinal study. Poster presentation by Alice Di Prete at XXIV ICIS Congress, Glasgow, 8-11 July 2024.
4. Focaroli, V., Pecora, G., Paoletti, M., Caravale, B., Chiarotti, F., Farrow, C., Galloway, A., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Bellagamba, F., Addressi, E. Relation

between complementary feeding approaches and child development in the first two years of life: a longitudinal study. Poster presentation by Valentina Focaroli at XXIV ICIS Congress, Glasgow, 8-11 July 2024.

5. Pecora, G., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Ciolli, M., Iaboni, E., Palladino, N., Di Prete, A., Farrow, C., Shapiro, L., Galloway, A., Chiarotti, F., Caravale, B., Gastaldi, S., Addessi, E., Bellagamba, F. Self-feeding and intentional communication during meals in 12-month-old infants. Poster presentation by Giulia Pecora at Protolang 8 Conference, Rome, 27-28 Sept 2023.
6. Caravale, B., Galloway, A., Gastaldi, S., Gasparini, C., Bellagamba, F. The relationship between complementary feeding modes and oromotor functioning at 8 and 12 months. Oral contribution by Barbara Caravale at the symposium “Feeding development in the early years of life: cognitive and relational aspects,” AIP Development and Education Section Conference, Foggia, 25-27 Sept 2023.
7. Focaroli, V., Pecora, G., Chiarotti, F. Complementary feeding and child development in the first 18 months of life: a longitudinal study. Oral presentation by Valentina Focaroli at AIP Development and Education Section Conference, Foggia, 25-27 Sept 2023.
8. Miraglia, M., Focaroli, V., Pecora, G., Chiarotti, F., Galloway, A., Gasparini, C., Addessi, E. The relationship between complementary feeding and oromotor functioning at 8 and 12 months. Oral contribution by Martina Miraglia at the symposium “Feeding development in the early years of life: cognitive and relational aspects,” AIP Development and Education Section Conference, Foggia, 25-27 Sept 2023.
9. Timmins, H., Schneider, J.L., Focaroli, V., Taffoni, F., Keller, F., Iverson, J.M. Imprecise and precise object placement tasks: a longitudinal study in children at typical vs. elevated developmental risk. Mini talk by Valentina Focaroli at SRCD 2023, Salt Lake City, USA, 23-25 March 2023.
10. Focaroli, V., Caravale, B., Gasparini, C., Chiarotti, F., Farrow, C., Gastaldi, S., Addessi, E. The relationship between weaning style and infant development

during the first year of life: a longitudinal study. Mini talk by Valentina Focaroli at XXX AIP Congress, Padova 27-30 Sept 2022.

11. Di Prete, A., Del Grosso, D., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Pecora, G., Hodges, E.A., Galloway, A.T., Farrow, C., Addressi E. Complementary feeding and maternal responsiveness in a longitudinal sample of 8- and 12-month-old infants. Oral communication by Elsa Addressi at XXX AIP Congress, Padova 27-30 Sept 2022.
12. Di Prete, A., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, V., Pecora, G., Hodges, E., Galloway, A., Farrow, C., Chiarotti, F., Caravale, B., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Bellagamba, F., Addressi, E. Complementary feeding and maternal responsiveness in 8-month-old infants. Poster presented by Elsa Addressi at XXIII International Congress of Infant Studies, Ottawa 7-10 Jul 2022.
13. Pecora, G., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Barca, L., Chiarotti, F., Borghi, A.M., Gasparini, C., Caravale, B., Bombaci, I., Gastaldi, S., Bellagamba, F., Addressi, E. Infant sleep and development during the first 8 months of life. Poster presented by Giulia Pecora at XXIII International Congress of Infant Studies, Ottawa 7-10 Jul 2022.
14. Bellagamba, F., Paoletti, M., Focaroli, V., Pecora, G., Barr, R., Chiarotti, F., Caravale, B., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Addressi, E. The content and the context of infant media exposure is differentially associated with developmental outcomes. Poster presented by Francesca Bellagamba at XXIII International Congress of Infant Studies, Ottawa 7-10 Jul 2022.
15. Caravale, B., De Cicco, M., Miraglia, D., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Pecora, G., Chiarotti, F., Galloway, A., Farrow, C., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Bellagamba, F., Addressi, E. Oral-motor development and complementary feeding approach in 8-month-old infants. Poster presented by Elsa Addressi at XXIII International Congress of Infant Studies, Ottawa 7-10 Jul 2022.
16. Pecora, G., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Barca, L., Chiarotti, F., Borghi, A.M., Gasparini, C., Caravale, B., Bombaci, I., Gastaldi, S., Bellagamba, F. Addressi, E. Sleep and child development in the first 8 months of life. Poster presented

- by Giulia Pecora at Giornate di Neuropsicologia dell'Età Evolutiva, XVII edizione. 19-22 Jan 2022.
17. Paoletti, M., Focaroli, V., Pecora, G., Barr, R., Chiarotti, F., Caravale, B., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Addessi, E., Bellagamba, F. Media exposure and cognitive and communicative development in 8-month-old infants. Poster presented by Melania Paoletti at Giornate di Neuropsicologia dell'Età Evolutiva, XVII edizione. 19-22 Jan 2022.
 18. Caravale, B., De Cicco, M., Miraglia, D., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Pecora, G., Chiarotti, F., Galloway, A., Farrow, C., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Bellagamba, F., Addessi, E. Complementary feeding and oromotor function in 8-month-old children. Poster presented by Barbara Caravale at Giornate di Neuropsicologia dell'Età Evolutiva, XVII edizione. 19-22 Jan 2022.
 19. Di Prete, A., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Pecora, G., Hodges, E., Galloway, A., Farrow, C., Chiarotti, F., Caravale, B., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Bellagamba, F., Addessi, E. Complementary feeding and maternal responsiveness in 8-month-old infants. Poster presented by Elsa Addessi at Giornate di Neuropsicologia dell'Età Evolutiva, XVII edizione. 19-22 Jan 2022.
 20. Focaroli, V., Carrillo M.A., Gastaldi, S., Addessi, E. Maternal breastfeeding and psychomotor development in children aged 4 and 8 months: a longitudinal study. Poster presentation by Valentina Focaroli at XXXIII AIP Congress, Developmental Psychology department, Bari 20-22 Sept 2021.
 21. Pecora, G., Paoletti, M., Focaroli, V., Gasparini, C., Bombaci, I., Caravale, B., Gastaldi, S., Chiarotti, F., Bellagamba, F., Addessi, E. Sleep in early life: relationship with maternal mental health and cognitive development in pandemic time. Poster presented by Giulia Pecora at XXXIII AIP Congress, Developmental Psychology Department, Bari 20-22 Sept 2021.
 22. Addessi, E., Farrow, C., Webber, C., Bellagamba, F., Chiarotti, F., Blissett, J., Galloway, A.T., Shapiro, L., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Pecora, G., Caravale, B., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S. Is a baby-led weaning style related to motor and language development? Some preliminary evidence from two cultures. Oral

communication by Elsa Addessi at Protolang Conference-online, Dusseldorf, 6-8 Sept 2021.

23. Focaroli V., Paoletti M., Pecora G., Carrillo, M.A., Caravale, B., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Chiarotti, F., Bellagamba, F., Addessi, E. Maternal breastfeeding and psychomotor development in infants 4 months of age. Poster presented by Valentina Focaroli at Giornate di Neuropsicologia dell'età evolutiva 2021-XVI, Online 20-23 Jan 2021.
24. Pecora, G., Paoletti, M., Focaroli, V., Bombaci, I., Caravale, B., Gastaldi, S., Chiarotti, F., Borghi, A. M., Barca, L., Bellagamba, F., Addessi, E. Maternal mental health and infant sleep: possible associations in non clinical sample. Poster presented by Giulia Pecora at Giornate di Neuropsicologia dell'Età Evolutiva 2021, XVI Edizione, Online 20-23 Jan 2021.
25. Bellagamba, B., Caravale, B., Chiarotti, F., Galloway, A., Farrow, C., Focaroli, V., Paoletti, M., Pecora, G., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Addessi, E. Project Spoon (Weaning and Cognitive Development): a longitudinal study on the effects of complementary feeding mode in the first two years of life. Poster presented by Francesca Bellagamba at Giornate di Neuropsicologia dell'Età Evolutiva 2021, XVI Edizione, Online 20-23 Jan 2021.
26. Paoletti, M., Focaroli, V., Pecora, G., Caravale, B., Gastaldi, S., Chiarotti, F., Barr, R., Addessi, E., Bellagamba, F. Media exposure in early childhood: role of temperament and socio-emotional development. Poster presented by Melania Paoletti at Giornate di Neuropsicologia dell'Età Evolutiva 2021, XVI Edizione, Online 20-23 Jan 2021.
27. Focaroli V., Paoletti, M., Pecora, G., M.A., Caravale, B., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Chiarotti, F., Bellagamba, F., Addessi, E. Breastfeeding and cognitive development in 4-month-old children. Poster presented by Valentina Focaroli 11th Annual Budapest CEO Conference on Cognitive Development (BCCCD 21) – Virtual – January 4-8, 2021.
28. Focaroli V., Paoletti M., Pecora G., Carrillo, M.A., Caravale, B., Gasparini, C., Gastaldi, S., Chiarotti, F., Bellagamba, F., Addessi, E. Maternal breastfeeding and psychomotor development in infants 4 months of age. Poster presented by

Valentina Focaroli at III International Brazelton Congress, Online 17-19 Dec 2020.

29. Roemer E. J., Schneider J. L., Focaroli V., Taffoni F., Keller F., Iverson J. M. Reaching while learning to sit in infants at typical and Elevated Likelihood of Autism. Oral Communication by Emily Roemer at Virtual Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD 2021), April 7-9 2021.
30. Focaroli, V., Taffoni, F., Keller, F., Iverson, J.M. Abilità di pianificazione motoria nei bambini ad alto rischio e basso rischio di ASD. Poster presented by Valentina Focaroli at AIP Congress, Parma 24-26 Sept 2015.
31. Focaroli, V., Taffoni, F., Tamilia, E., Keller, F., Iverson, J.M. Motor planning ability in children at High vs. Low Risk for Autism Spectrum Disorder. Poster presented at XIX Biennial International Conference on Infant Studies. Berlino - Luglio 2014.
32. Focaroli, V., Taffoni, F., Tamilia, E., Keller, F., Iverson, J.M. Motor Planning ability in a manipulation task in typically developing children: preliminary results. Poster presented by Valentina Focaroli at Simposio PAED 2013, Percezione, Azione e Apprendimento in età evolutiva, Roma 22 Novembre 2013, Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma.
33. Focaroli, V., De Petrillo, F., Macchitella, Addessi, E., Paglieri, F. Does the intertemporal choice task measure the ability to delay gratification? An experimental study in capuchin monkeys (*sapajus spp*), a South American monkey. Oral communication by Valentina Focaroli at XXVI AIP congress, department of developmental psychology, Milano 19-21 Sept 2013.
34. Focaroli, V., De Petrillo, F., Macchitella, L., Maggiorelli, V., Pace, Pecora, G., Rossi, S., Bellagamba, F., Addessi, E., Paglieri, F. The role of tokens in intertemporal choices in capuchin monkeys (*sapajus spp*) and preschool children. Oral communication by Valentina Focaroli at CODISCO Conference, 24-26 Sept 2012, Rome.
35. Focaroli, V., Pecora, G., Delfino, A., De Petrillo, F., Macchitella, L., Maggiorelli, V., Pace, B., Rossi, S. Sbaffi, A., Tasselli, I., Bellagamba, F., Addessi, E., Paglieri, F. The role of tokens in intertemporal choice in capuchins

- (*Cebus apella*), prechool children and adult humans. Oral communication by Valentina Focaroli at the “Intertemporal Day”, Maggio 29 2012, ISTC-CNR, Roma.
36. Addessi, E., Bellagamba, F., Paglieri, F., Focaroli, V., Maggiorcelli, V., Pecora, G. & Pace, B. Are you greedy or impatient? Effect of reward type on intertemporal choice in preschool children. Poster presented by Francesca Bellagamba at XV European Conference on Developmental Psychology, Bergen, 23-27 Aug 2011.
 37. Focaroli, V., De Petrillo, F., Paglieri, F. & Addessi, E. Why capuchin monkeys (*Cebus apella*) have the patience of saint? A comparative analysis of five primate species' performance in the intertemporal choice task. Oral communication by Valentina Focaroli at XX Italian Conference of Primatology (API), Bussolengo 10-13 Aprile 2011.
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