

CURRICULUM VITAE
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Languages	Italian, mother tongue English, fluent Russian , working knowledge	Email	frpezzella@gmail.com
Research Interests:	Cerebrovascular diseases and Neurocritical Care Gender medicine and Stroke Implementation Science Neuroscience and Affective Disorders Neuropsychology and Neuropsychiatry Forensic Medicine Neuroimaging in cognitive function disorders and stroke. Clinimetrics		

Academic Qualifications and Activities

- MD, **Medicine and Surgery** (1997), with Honors, Sapienza University - Rome
- Specialization in **Neurology** (2002), with Honors, Sapienza University - Rome
- **Ph. D in Experimental Neurology** (2005), with Honors, Sapienza University - Rome
- **MSc, Cerebrovascular Diseases** (2005-2007), Sapienza University - Rome
- **MBA, Executive Master in Management of Health and Social Care Organizations** (2006-2008), CORGESAN/EMMAS, Bocconi University – Milan
- **MSc, Neuropsychology and Neuropsychiatry** (2012-2013), LUMSA University, Rome, Italy
- **MSc, Neurophthalmology (2017-2018) University of Parma**, Parma Italy
- **Researcher, Neurology** (2005 – 2007) , Faculty of Medicine, Sapienza University - Rome
 - NIH Stroke Scale Italian Version- Author and Reviewer,
 - mRankin Scale Italian Version -Author and Reviewer,
- **Researcher, University of Florence for the EIS_European Implementation Score Project Project (FP7-HEALTH)**
- **Guest Lecturer, Neurology** (2005 – 2006), Faculty of Medicine, Sapienza University - Rome
- **Guest Lecturer, Health-care Business Management** (2005 – 2008), Faculty of Medicine, Sapienza University - Rome
- **Guest Lecturer, Health-care Business Management** (2007 – 2015), Faculty of Medicine, Tor Vergata University – Rome

Areas of Expertise

- Neurology, Stroke and Cerebrovascular Diseases, research and management
- Neurodegenerative Diseases, research and management
- Neurocritical care, research and management
- Gender Medicine and Stroke, research and management
- Affective Disorders, research and management
- Neurology, Parkinson’s Disease, research and management
- Management of Clinical Services in Public and Private Hospitals
- Health Care Management and Organization
- Implementation Science
- Forensic Medicine

Present Position

- Stroke Neurologist, Stroke Unit, Emergency Department, San Camillo Hospital, Rome (since July 2008)
- Stroke Neurologist Consultant for the National Agency for Regional Health Services, Rome, Italy (since June, the 1st 2022)

Other Present Activities

- **ESO- European Stroke Organization, Chair, Task Force for Ukraine**
- **Stroke Clinical Pathways Consultant, AGENAS, Italy**
- **ESO-European Stroke Organization, Co-Chair European Stroke Action Plan Implementation Committee (May 2019-Current)**
- **Science Communication Manager COST Action CA18118 (IReNe)**, a EU funded program under the ESO EAST coordination, for the Implementation Research Network in Stroke Care. (2018-current)
- **ESO-European Stroke Organization, ESO-EAST Steering Committee member (2015-current)**
- **ISA-Italian Stroke Association, Executive Board member, Regional Coordinator for Lazio Region (2016-current)**
- **Angels Initiative- Coordinator Lazio Region (May 2019-current)**
- **ANEU-Italian Association of Neurocritical Care, Executive Board member, Treasurer**
- **Stroke Prevention and Educational Awareness Diffusion, SPREAD Guidelines Author; chapters: Gender Medicine, Cognitive and Behavioural consequences of stroke, Primary Prevention, Research Future Directions (<http://www.iso-spread.it>)**
- **Clinical and Scientific Advisory Services, Neurology, Istituto di Psicopatologia, Rome Italy**
- **Private practice, Neurology, Neuropsychiatry and Neurosonology, Forensic Medicine**

CLINICAL TRIALS

- **THALES: Site Principal Investigator (2018-till end of study)**
- **RIFS: Site Principal Investigator (2019-till end of study)**
- **PACIFIC -STROKE Site Principal Investigator (2020- till end of study)**

Previous Positions and Activities (Academic, Clinical and Advisory Appointments)

- **WHO, NCD Project Office, WHO Office Moscow, Consultant 11.04.2016-30.05.2016; 19.09.2016-30.10.2016**
- **WHO, NCD Project Office, Regional Office for Europe Consultant: March 8-11/ 2017 April 10-13/2017; June 2017; September 2017; June- December 2018; November 2018-February 2019; March 2019-June 2019 February 2020-December2020.**
- **WHO Ukraine, Stroke Consultant Sept 2021 – Dec 2021**
- **Consultant, Hospital Networks Division, Public Health Department, Lazio Regional Government 2019-2021**

Jul 2009- March 2011 Nov 2012-May 2013	Resercher, Department of University of Florence, fo the EIS Project, Development of a European Implementation Score for measuring implementation of research into healthcare practice using vascular disease as an example (Project reference: 223153, Funded under: FP7-HEALTH)
Nov 2006–Oct 2008	Researcher , University “La Sapienza”, Rome, Italy. Research: Managing patient workflow and imaging strategies in neurodegenerative disorders and Stroke. Development of clinimetric tools. Clinical activity: Cognitive function disorders outpatient clinic, stroke clinic. Teaching activity: Assistant Instructor of neurology.
Dec 2007-Dec2009	Scientific Advisor, European Biomedic Foundation, Rome Scientific Review and Qualitative Research
Jul-2002-June 2008	Chief – Complex disabilities rehabilitation Unit –Nomentana Hospital, Rome, Italy Both residential and day-clinic ward dedicated to diagnose and rehabilitation of major cognitive and motor disabilities due to trauma, stroke, neurodegenerative disorders

- Nov'02-Mar'05 **Scientific Advisor- Agency of Public Health of Lazio Region**
Development of the Stroke Surveillance System of Lazio Region.
Development of stroke prevention strategies and stroke awareness.
- Nov'02- May'06 **PhD student**
Department of Neuroscience,
University "La Sapienza"-Policlinico Umberto I, Rome
Development of clinimetric tools (Italian version of the NIH Stroke Scale, and Rankin Scale training programme)
- December 2006-May
2009 **Clinical Advisory Services, Neurology,**
M. Giuseppina Vannini Hospital, Rome ;
- January 2005-2010 **Scientific Advisory Services, Neurology**
○ Clinical Trials Review and Support, Boheringer Ingelheim - Italy, Milan
- July 2007-2009 ○ Clinical Studies, Peer Review, Scientific Writing, IRCCS C. Mondino, Pavia

Other Diplomas

- 1989 Certificate of Proficiency of English as a foreign language (grade A)
- 2002 Advanced Life Support Diploma, European Resuscitation Council
- 2002 Stroke Summer School, EUSI, Helsinki, FI
- 2018 Advanced Life Support Diploma, European Resuscitation Council

Registrations

- 2000 General Medical Council, Rome, Italy
- 2000-2005 General Medical Council, London, Great Britain (full)

Honors and awards

- 2000 Prize "Premio Ayala", University "La Sapienza" Rome, Italy
- 2020 The *Angel Spirit of Excellence Award*, a prize given to those who embodied
"excellence in stroke care".

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