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CURRENT POSITION:

Post-Doc Fellow University of Bucharest (ICUB)

APPOINTMENTS:

- 2018, October-2020, September – **Principal investigator** with a **Post-doctoral Fellowship** at University of Bucharest. *Project title*: “From the Vegetative Soul to Metabolism in Early Modern Philosophy and Biomedicine” *Mentor*: prof. Vlad Alexandrescu
- 2018, February-2019, February – **Post-doc Fellow** at Herzog August Bibliothek, Wolfenbüttel, Germany. *Project title*: “Transforming the *Anima Vegetativa* between 16th and 17th Centuries”.
- 2017, October-2018, September – **Adjunct Professor** at University of Padua, Italy. Teaching commitments in History of Medicine (24 hours).
- 2017, October-2018, January – **Kristeller-Popkin Fellow** Research period at Utrecht University, the Netherlands. *Project title*: “Descartes’s Botanical studies and his Complex Collaborations with Renieri, Huygens, and Regius”. With the JHP Travel Fellowship
- 2017, February-September – **Adjunct Professor** at University of Padua, Italy. Teaching commitments in History of Medicine and Bioethics (60 hours).
- 2016, May-August – **Post-doc Fellow** at Bar-Ilan University (BIU), Tel Aviv, Israel. *Promotor*: prof. Ohad Nachtomy
- 2015, November-2016, April – **DAAD Post-doc Fellow** at the Gotha Research Centre of the University of Erfurt, Forschungszentrum Gotha (FZG) der Universität Erfurt, Germany.
- 2015, November-December – **Extension IRH Post-Doc Fellow** at the Institute for Research in the Humanities, University of Bucharest (IRH-UB), Romania.
- 2015, May-October – **IRH Post-Doc Fellow** at the Institute for Research in the Humanities, University of Bucharest (IRH-UB), Romania. *Promotor*: prof. Vlad Alexandrescu

VISITING:

- 2020, April – **Visiting Researcher** at High School of Economics in Moscow (HSE), Moscow, Russia, promotor prof. Stefan Hessbruggen-Walter.
- 2020, January-February – **Visiting Researcher** at Max Planck Institute for the History of Science (MPI), Berlin, Germany, promotor dr. Katja Krause.
- 2019, October – **Visiting Researcher** at ‘Centro Interdipartimentale di Studi sulla Storia delle Idee’ (CIRSI), Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia, Italy, promotor prof. Berenice Cavarra.
- 2019, June-July – **Visiting Researcher** at ‘Centro Dipartimentale di Studi su Descartes Ettore Lojacono’, Università del Salento, Lecce, Italy, promotor prof. Franco Aurelio Meschini

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2019, April-May – **Visiting Researcher** at the ‘Institut d’Histoire des Représentations et des Idées dans les Modernités’, ENS Lyon, France, promotor prof. Delphine Antoine-Mahut.

2018, December – **Visiting Researcher** at ‘Centro Dipartimentale di Studi su Descartes Ettore Lojacono’, Università del Salento, Lecce, Italy, promotor prof. Igor Agostini.

2013, October-December – **Visiting Researcher** at Warburg Institute, London University, United Kingdom, with prof. Guido Giglioni.

2012, January-March – **Visiting PhD Student** at Utrecht University, Department of Philosophy, Utrecht, The Netherlands. With a grant from the University of Parma: 2000 €. Supervisor: Prof. Theo Verbeek.

2006, September-2007, March – **Visiting Erasmus Student** at Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, France. Erasmusm Socrates 081 Philosophy Grant (Università di Bologna). Tutors: prof. W. Tega, prof. P. Guenancia.

EDUCATION:

May 21, 2013. **Ph.D. in Philosophy and Anthropology**. University of Parma. Diss. *Esperienza e metodo. Descartes e la storia naturale nell'ordine della Mathesis*. Judgment: EXCELLENT. Supervisors: Prof. S. Caroti, Prof. Th. Verbeek. Jury: prof. G. Paganini, M. Savini, M. Torrini.

March 25, 2009. **M.A. in History of modern philosophy**. University of Bologna. Diss. *Memory or Ingenium. Descartes, Ancient's books and the science of intellect* 110/110 cum Laude.

July 17, 2006. **B.A. in Political Philosophy**. University of Bologna. Diss. *The Measure of the Learned in Politics: The Aristotelian Case, Happiness or Uselessness?*

PRIZES AND AWARDS:

2019-2020: awardee of the grant **VivaMente: the Garden of Ideas**, Institutio Santoriana, Fondazione Comel, for the organization of an academic event --- 3,000 €

2018-2020: awardee of a Post-Doctoral fellowship from the Romanian government CNSC-UEFSCIDI (international selection, **ranked 1st** of 122 applications) --- 53,697.00 €

2018: University of Padua conference funding, “Vegetative Powers” --- 6,500.00 €

2018: Dpt. of Medicine & Dpt. of Philosophy funding, “Vegetative Powers” --- 2,000.00 €

2018: SSHM conference funding, “Vegetative Powers” --- 600.00 £

2017—2018: JHP Kristeller-Popkin Travel Fellowship --- 4,000.00 \$

2017: RSA Annual Meeting Travel Grant --- 500.00 \$

2017: GNSFC Biennial Conference Grant, Università degli studi di Bologna --- 200.00 €

MEMBERSHIPS AND EDITORIAL ADVISORY:

2018-present: **Member** of the Editorial Committee for the ‘Monographic Series in History of Medicine’ by L’Erma di Bretschneider (director: Fabio Zampieri).

2018-present: **Member** of the History of Science Society (HSS)

2017-present: **Member** of the Editorial Board for the Monographic Series: *Palgrave Studies in Medieval and Early Modern Medicine* (series editor: J. Barry, F. Bigotti).

2017-present: **Member** of the Society for the Social History of Medicine (SSHM)

2015-present: **Member** of Renaissance Society of America (RSA), USA

2015-present: DAAD-Alumni (DE)

2015-present: **Member** of the National Group of Basics and History of Chemistry (Italy)

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS (a short selection):

a. Authored monographs

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1. *Medicina e fisiologia in René Descartes, filosofo del poële e del tavolo anatomico*, in process for Aracne Editrice, Roma. Forthcoming 2020 – accepted.

b. Edited Volumes

1. *Plants, Gardens, and Materia medica in the History of Medicine and Science*, ed. by F. Baldassarri, A. Touwaide, De Gruyter, “Medical Traditions”. Forthcoming 2021.
2. *Vegetative Powers: The Roots of Life in Ancient, Medieval and Early Modern Natural Philosophy*, ed. by F. Baldassarri, A. Blank, Cham: Springer, “International Archives of the History of Ideas”. Forthcoming 2020 – accepted.
3. *Scientiae in the History of Medicine*, ed. by F. Baldassarri, F. Zampieri, Roma: L’Erma di Bretschneider, “Storia della medicina”. Forthcoming 2020 – accepted.

c. Edited Fascicles

1. *Seeds, Plants, and Fruits: Early Modern Investigations of Vegetal Bodies*, ed. by F. Baldassarri, in *Nuncius: Journal of the Material and Visual History of Science* (Brill), in process. Forthcoming 2020.
2. *Manipulating Flora: Seventeenth-Century Botanical Practices and Natural Philosophy*, ed. by F. Baldassarri, O. Matei, in *Early Science and Medicine* (Brill), vol. 23/5-6, December 2018.
Reviewed on *Gardens and Landscapes of Portugal*, 6/1 (2019), pp. 53-55.
3. *Controversies in Intellectual History and Medicine: The Case of Losers, Heretics, and Outsiders*, ed. by F. Baldassarri, in *Society&Politics*, vol. 12/1, Spring 2018.
4. *Gardens as Laboratories. The History of Botany through the History of Gardens*, ed. by F. Baldassarri, O. Matei, in the *Journal of Early Modern Studies* (ZetaBooks), vol. 6/1, Spring 2017.
Reviewed on *Society and Politics*, 11/2 (2017), pp. 194-196.

d. Peer Reviewed Articles

1. “The Mechanical Life of Plants: Descartes on Botany”, in *British Journal for the History of Science*, 52/1, 2019, pp. 41-63. [in English]
2. “I moti circolari nella meccanica della vita in Descartes: embriologia e nutrizione nella medicina e nella botanica”, in *Physis: Rivista di Storia della scienza*, 2018, pp. 71-88. [in Italian]
3. “Descartes’ Bio-Medical Study of Plants: Vegetative Activities, Soul, and Power”, in *Early Science and Medicine*, vol. 23/5-6, 2018, pp. 509-529. [in English]
4. “Introduction: Do Winners Take it All?”, in *Society&Politics*, vol. 12/1, 2018, pp. 5-10.
5. “«[P]er experientiam scilicet, vel deductionem». Descartes’ Battle for *Scientia* in the Early 1630s”, in *Historia Philosophica*, 15, 2017, pp. 115-133. [in English]
Reviewed on *Bulletin Cartésien XLVIII*, in *Archives de philosophie* 82/1 (2019), p. 221
6. “«Libri inutili, compendi e libri 'primarii'. Descartes tra lettura e scrittura della filosofia”, in *Giornale critico della filosofia italiana*, vol XII, 2016/2-3, pp. 324-342. [in Italian]
7. “Introduction: Garden as Laboratories. A History of Botanical Science”, in *Journal of Early Modern Studies*, vol. 6/1, 2017, pp. 9-19. [in English]
8. “Descartes e il *Principe*. Il declino della politica nell'ordine della ragione”, in *Intersezioni. Rivista di storia delle idee*, 34, 2014: 361-380. [in Italian]

e. Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

1. “Failures of Mechanization: The Vegetative Power and Early Cartesians, Regius, La Forge, and Schuyf”, in *Vegetative Powers: The Roots of Life in Ancient, Medieval and Early Modern Natural Philosophy*, ed. by F.

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Baldassarri, A. Blank, Cham: Springer. (forthcoming)

2. "Introduction: Missing a Soul that Endows Bodies with Life", with A. Blank, in *Vegetative Powers: The Roots of Life in Ancient, Medieval and Early Modern Natural Philosophy*, ed. by F. Baldassarri, A. Blank, Cham: Springer. (forthcoming).
3. "Beeckman's Corpuscular Study of Plants", in *Isaac Beeckman in Context*, ed. by K. van Berkel, A. Clements, A. van Dixhoorn, Amsterdam: Amsterdam University Press, 2020 (forthcoming).
4. "Santorio and Descartes: The Quantification and Mechanization of Passions", in *Santorio Santori and the Emergence of Quantified Medicine. Corpuscularianism, Technology and Experimentation (1614-1790)*, ed. by F. Bigotti, J. Barry, MacMillan Palgrave. (forthcoming)
5. "Descartes and Padua: A Network of Scholars in the Emergence of a Modern Medical Science", in *Scientiae in the History of Medicine*, ed. by F. Baldassarri, F. Zampieri, Roma: L'Erma di Bretschneider. (forthcoming)
6. "Seeking Intellectual Evidence in Sciences: The Role of Botany in Descartes' Therapeutics", in *Evidence in the Age of the New Sciences*, ed. by J.A.T. Lancaster, R. Raiswell, Springer, 2018: 47-75.
7. "Né l'alchimia, né la chimica. Minerali, pietre, metalli: Descartes, la meccanica dei corpi naturali e la medicina", in Atti del XVI Convegno Nazionale *Storia e Fondamenti della Chimica*, a cura di M. Taddia, Roma, Edizioni Accademia dei XL, 2016: 243-252.
8. "La Pietra di Bologna da Descartes a Spallanzani. Sviluppo di un modello scientifico tra curiosità, metodo, analogia, esempio e prova empirica" in *Nel nome di Lazzaro*, Centro Studi Lazzaro Spallanzani, Pendragon, 2014: 35-54.

f. Entries of Encyclopedia, Lexicon, Dictionaries

1. "Descartes, René", in *Encyclopedia of Renaissance Philosophy*, ed. M. Sgarbi, Cham, Springer, forthcoming (2019).
2. "Botany and Medicine", in *Encyclopedia of Early Modern Philosophy and Sciences*, ed. D. Jalobeanu and Ch. Wolfe, Cham, Springer, forthcoming (2019).
3. "Anima vegetativa", in *Nouvel Index Scolastico-Cartésien*, ed. I. Agostini *et alii*, forthcoming (2020).
4. "Immutatio", in *Nouvel Index Scolastico-Cartésien*, ed. by I. Agostini *et alii*, forthcoming (2020).

g. Book Reviews

1. Q. Hiernaux, B. Timmermans, *Philosophie du végétal*, Paris: Vrin, 2018, on *History and Philosophy of the Life Sciences*, forthcoming.
2. Lucas J. Mix, *Life Concepts from Aristotle to Darwin: On Vegetable Souls*, Cham: Palgrave Macmillan, 2018, on *Hopos: The journal of the International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science*, 9/2 (2019): 423-426.
3. J. Dupèbe (ed. and trans.), *Apologie contre Leonhart Fuchs* by Michel Servet, Geneva, Droz, 2017, on *Renaissance Quarterly*, 72.1 (2019): 246-248.
4. G. Manning, C. Klestinec (eds.), *Professors, Physicians and Practices in the History of Medicine: Essays in Honor of Nancy Siraisi*, Cham, Springer, 2017, on *Gesnerus: Swiss Journal of the History of Medicine and Sciences*, vol. 75/2 (2018): 278-279.
5. S. D'Agostino, *Esercizi spirituali e filosofia moderna. Bacon, Descartes, Spinoza*, Pisa: ETS, 2017, on *Quaestio*, 18 (2018): 333-336.
6. F. Zampieri, *Il metodo anatomico-clinico fra meccanicismo ed empirismo. Marcello Malpighi, Antonio Maria Valsalva e Giovanni Battista Morgagni*, Roma, L'Erma di Bretschneider, 2016, on *Medical History*, 62/3 (2018): 387-89.
7. D. Antoine-Mahut, S. Gaukroger (eds.), *Descartes' Treatise on Man and its Reception*, Switzerland, Springer,

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2016, on *British Journal for the History of Philosophy*, 26/6 (2018): 1234-1236.

8. H. Fisher, V.R. Remmert, J. Wolschke-Bulmahn (eds.), *Gardens, Knowledge, and the Sciences in the Early Modern Period*, Switzerland, Springer, 2016, on *ISIS - HSS*, 108/4 (2017): 897-8.
9. R. Andrault, *La raison des corps. Mécanisme et science médicale*, Paris, Vrin, 2016, on *Early Science and Medicine*, 22/4 (2017): 381-383.
10. D. Brancher, *Quand l'esprit vient aux plantes. Botanique sensible et subversion libertine (XVIe-XVIIe siècles)*, Genève, Droz, 2015, on *Renaissance Quarterly*, 69/4 (2016): 1476-1477.
11. É. Cassan (ed. by), *Bacon et Descartes. Genèses de la modernité philosophique*, Lyon, ENS Éditions, 2014, on *Bruniana&Campanelliana*, XXI/1 (2015): 227-229.

CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS & LECTURES (a selection):

I. EVENTS ORGANIZATION

- May, 2020 **International Conference Co-Organization**, with Fabio Zampieri and CSMBR. Conference title: "Medicine in the Philosophy of Descartes: Lights & Shadows". At Pisa, Fondazione Comel. May 15-16, 2020.
Website: https://csnbr.fondazionecomel.org/vivamente/vivamente_2020/
- March, 2020 **International Conference Co-Organization**, with Matthias Roick. Conference title: "Telling a Different Story: Non-Linear Narratives in Early Modern History". At University of Bucharest. March 19-20, 2020.
<https://fbaldassarriphilosophy.wordpress.com/home/research/conferences/telling-a-different-story/>
- October 2019 **International Conference Co-Organization**, with prof. Berenice Cavarra. Conference title: "Anti-Mechanicism and Neo-Vitalism". At University of Modena and Reggio Emilia (Italy). October 9-10, 2019. (Member of programme committee.)
- July 2019 **Session Organization** for the History of Science Society (HSS) Annual Meeting, Utrecht (NL).
Panel title: "Herbs, Plants, and Vegetal Bodies: Botanical Knowledge in Medical, Naturalistic, and Philosophical Contexts" --- Co-Organization with *Institute for the Preservation of Medical Traditions*
Speakers: [Dominic Olariu](#) (Erfurt University), [Sara R. Kyle](#) (University Central Oklahoma), [Florike Egmond](#) (Leiden University), [Federica Rotelli](#) (Firenze), [Alain Touwaide](#) (UCLA)
- June 2019 **Session Organization** for Scientiae 2019, Belfast (GB-NIR).
Panel title: "Seeds, Plants, and Fruits: Early Modern Investigation of Vegetal Bodies".
Speakers: [Francesco Luzzini](#) (Max Planck Institut, Berlin), [Lucie Cermakova](#) (Charles University, Prague), [Fabrizio Baldassarri](#) (Bucharest University), [Christoffer Basse Eriksen](#) (Aarhus University).
- November 2018 **Session Organization** for the History of Science Society (HSS) Annual Meeting, Seattle (US).
Panel title: "Plants as Case Study in the History of Philosophy, Science, and Medicine".
Speakers: [Marilena Panarelli](#) (Università del Salento), [Marimer Carrion](#) (Emory University), [Fabrizio Baldassarri](#) (HAB/Bucharest University), [Gabriel Finkelstein](#) (University of Colorado), [Norbert Peeters](#) (Leyden University).
- September 2018 **International Conference Co-Organization**, with PD. Dr. Andreas Blank, prof. F. Zampieri.
Conference Title: "Vegetative Powers". September 12-13, 2018.
Website: <https://vegetativepowers.wordpress.com/>
- April 2017 **Symposium organization** for the British Society for the History of Philosophy Conference, Sheffield (UK).

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Panel title: “Rethinking The Vegetative Soul in 16th and 17th-century Philosophy. Vegetative Forms, Potencies, Operations, and (Vital) Energy”.

Speakers: Andreas Blank (Paderborn/Bard College), Anna Tropia (HU-Berlin), Fabrizio Baldassarri (Bar-Ilan), Raphaële Andraut (ENS Lyon).

March-April
2017

Panel organization for the RSA Conference, Chicago. March 30-April 1, 2017

Panel title: “Disclosing the Vegetative Soul. Metaphysical, Physiological, and Botanical Intersections from Late Scholastics to Early Modernity”.

Speakers: Dr. Martin Klein (Topoi/HU Berlin), Dr. Andreas Blank (Paderborn/Bard College), Dr. F. Baldassarri (Bar-Ilan).

January 2016

International Conference Co-Organization, with prof. Dana Jalobeanu, Dr. Oana Matei. Conference Title: “Manipulating Flora. Gardens as Laboratories in the Renaissance and Early Modern Europe”. January 20-21, 2016.

Website: <http://manipulatingflora.wordpress.com>

November 2015

CELFIS Seminar, University of Bucharest.

Invited speaker, prof. Franco Aurelio Meschini. November 11, 2015.

Report title: “Lacteal Vessels in Descartes’ Theory of Digestion”

2. INVITED SPEAKER/PARTICIPANT

November 2019

Report Title: Curiosity and the order of nature in early modern philosophy

Invited speaker at *Wunderkammer* (events co-organized by the Department of Philosophy of the University of Trieste), org. Cinzia Ferrini. 30 November 2019.

October 2019

Report Title: “Same Machine, Different Structure: The Continuity between Plants and Animals in Early Modern Natural Philosophy and Medicine”

Invited Speaker at “Analogies et modèles végétaux en médecine dans l’antiquité à l’age classique”.

Organizers: Arnaud Mace. Université de France-Comté, Besançon, 17-18 October 2019.

June 2019

Report Title: “Early Modern Philosophy of Botany and the Stone Guest: Pseudo-Aristotle’s *De Plantis*”

Invited Speaker at “Περὶ φυτῶν. Trattati greci di botanica in Occidente e in Oriente”. Organizers: **Maria Fernanda Ferrini, Guido Giglioni**. June 10-11, 2019.

May 2019

Invited participant at “The Foundations of Another Modernity. Seventeenth Century Alternative Philosophies”. At **ENS de Lyon**. Organizers: Delphine Antoine-Mahut, Pierre Girard, Gianni Paganini, Susana Seguin. May 17-18.

March 2019

Report Title: “Spirits and Juices in Descartes’ Natural Philosophy”

Invited Speaker at **Summer School in the History of Medicine**: “The Kiln, The Alembic, and The Clockwork: Early Modern Representations of the Body and its Changing Matter”. Organizers: Domus Comeliana, Institutio Santoriana. March 29-31, 2019

February 2019

Report Title: “Plants versus Machines: Life in the Cartesian Mechanization of the Vegetative Soul”.

Invited speaker at *Premodern Conversations*, **Max-Planck Institut for the History of Science in Berlin**. Organizers Maria Avxentevskaya and Katja Krause. February 7, 2019.

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- April 2018 “Descartes: New Texts/New Perspectives”. Organized by prof. *Daniel Garber* (Princeton University). Paris, **Institut Etudes Avancée**. Invited participant. April 19-20, 2018.
- November 2017 Report Title: “Dis-continuità in Descartes: dall’Uomo (1633) alla Descrizione del corpo umano (1647)”. Invited speaker at *Seminario di Storia della Scienza*, Università Roma-Tre. Organizer prof. **Antonio Clericuzio**. November 15, 2017.
- September 2017 Report title: “In The Garden of Descartes: Botanical Experimentation, Mathematical Sciences, and Landscape Design”. Invited speaker at “First International Congress of Danube Region Botanical Gardens – Transdisciplinarity in Plant Science”, Arad.
- November 2016 Report title: “Etres vivants et corps inertes. Classification et histoire naturelle à l’époque de Descartes”. Paper presentation at the Conference: *L’ordre du vivant*. Universität Basel. Organizer prof. **Dominique Brancher** and **Jean-Claude Monferran**. November 17, 2016.
- June 2016 Report title: “Changing Descartes’ Biology through his Botanical Studies”. Colloquium at Università di Bergamo, *Early Modern Galenism and Botany*. Organizer prof. **Niccolò Guicciardini**. June 24, 2016.
- May 2014 Report title: “From the “Passion of Soul” to the medicine of mind. Descartes’ patient Elisabeth”. Invited speaker at: **Warburg Institute Colloquia** in *Early Modern Medicine of the Mind*, (London). Organizers **Sorana Corneanu**, **Guido Giglioni**, and **Charles Wolfe**. May 30-31, 2014.

3. PEER REVIEWED CONFERENCES

- July 2019 Report Title: “The Mechanical Life of Plants in 17th-Century Natural Philosophy”, panel session: “Herbs, Plants, and Vegetal Bodies: Botanical Knowledge in Medical, Naturalistic, and Philosophical Contexts”
Speaker at: **HSS Annual Meeting**. Utrecht, NL. July 23-27, 2019.
- June 2019 Report Title: “A Clockwork Orange: Citruses and Fruits in Early Modern Philosophy”, panel session: “Seeds, Plants, and Fruits: Early Modern Investigations of Vegetal Bodies”
Speaker at: **Scientiae 2019**. Belfast, June 12-15, 2019.
- April 2019 Report Title: “Laws of Nature in Living Nature: A Cosmological Reference in Descartes’ Study of Plants”.
Speaker at: “**Laws of nature**: the emergence of a new concept in early modern Europe”. ICUB-Bucharest, April 16, 2019.
- November 2018 Report Title: “Plants as Models in Early Modern Medicine: The Case of Jean Riolan the Younger, William Harvey, and Marcello Malpighi”, panel session: “Plants as Case Study in the History of Philosophy, Science, and Medicine”
Speaker at: **HSS Annual Meeting**. Seattle, Washington. November 1-4, 2018.
- October 2018 Report Title: “A Green Thread from Galen to the Early Modern Medicine: The Analogy between Animals and Plants”
Speaker at *Galen and the Early Moderns*, Venice (Italy). Organized by **Matteo Favaretti Camposampiero** and **Emanuela Scribano**. October 25-26, 2018.
- September 2018 Report Title: “Beeckman’s mechanical philosophizing with plants: a source to Descartes?” Speaker at *Isaac Beeckman in Context. Science, the Arts, and Culture in the Early Dutch Republic*, Middelburg

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(NL). Organized by **Klaas van Berkel, Raffaele Pisano**. September 27-28, 2018.

- October 2017 Report Title: “*Lutherus Medicorum: Paracelsus and alchemy*”. Speaker at the “XVII Convegno di Storia e Fondamenti della Chimica”, October 10-12, 2017, Rome. Organizer: prof. M. Taddia. October 10-12, 2017. With grant.
- May 2017 Report Title: “A Path to Corpuscularism. Santorio’s Medicine in Descartes’ Studies of Metabolic Activities”. Speaker at *Humours, Mixtures, Corpuscles. A Medical Path to Corpuscularism in the Seventeenth Century*, Pisa (Domus Comeliana). May 18-20, 2017.
- April 2017 Report Title: “Early Modern Reinterpretations of the Vegetative Soul in Alchemical and Mechanical Strands. The case of René Descartes and Guy de La Brosse”.
Speaker at **BSHP Annual Conference**, Sheffield 2017.
- March-April 2017 Report Title: “The Functions of the Vegetative Soul in XVII-century Alchemical and Mechanical Interpretative Strands”.
Speaker at **RSA Annual Meeting**, Chicago, 2017.
- October 2016 Report Title: “Mechanizing the Vegetative Soul. Descartes and Digestion”.
Speaker at: **7th Bucharest Colloquium in Early Modern Science: From natural history to science: the emergence of experimental philosophy**. Organized by Dana Jalobeanu. October 24-26, 2016.
- March 2015 Report title: “Descartes’ Botanical Studies and the Dutch Experimental Communities: Methodical Experiments, Catalogs, Natural Histories”
Speaker at: **RSA Conference 2015**, Berlin. Panel session: *Early Modern Experiment and Its Communities II: Medicine and Physiology*, organizers Cesare Pastorino, Dana Jalobeanu. March 26-28, 2015.
- March 2015 Report title: “Between Dead and Living Bodies. Rethinking Descartes’ Sciences of Life”. Speaker at: **New York City Workshop in Early Modern Philosophy**, Fordham University, (New York). Organizers Ohad Nachtomy (Bar-Ilan), Reed Winegar (Fordham). March 7-8, 2015.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR (FULL TEACH RESPONSIBILITY)

- 2017—2018 Course: Pharmacology (Medical Humanities), MED/02 – DIMED, Medicina e Chirurgia, Università di Padova (24 hours—2 cfu).
Title course: “L’arte lunga: una storia della medicina”
- 2016—2017 Course: Pharmacology (Medical Humanities), MED/02 – DIMED, Medicina e Chirurgia, Università di Padova (24 hours—2 cfu).
Title course: “L’arte lunga: una storia della medicina”
- 2016—2017 Course: Pharmacology (Medical Humanities), MED/02 – DIMED, Medicina e Chirurgia, Università di Padova (24 hours—2 cfu).
Title course: “L’arte lunga: una storia della medicina—2”
- 2016—2017 Course: Bioethics, MED/02 – DIMED, Medicina e Chirurgia, Università di Padova (12 hours—1 cfu).
Title course: “Bioethics”

GUEST LECTURER

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- December 2018 **Invited Class Lecture** at Università del Salento, Lecce. Title course : Momenti di storia della filosofia in francese: da Descartes a Merleau-Ponty. Prof. Igor Agostini. December 10, 2018.
Report title: “Early Modern French Vegetal Literature: The Case of Libertine Culture”
- May 2018 **Invited Class Lecture** at Università del Salento, Lecce. Title course: Storia della medicina, prof. Franco Aurelio Meschini. May 21, 2018.
Report title: “An Overlooked Part of Aristotelian Biology: Botany” [In Italian]
- November 2016 **Invited Class Lecture** at Università del Salento, Lecce. Title course: Storia della filosofia, prof. I. Agostini. November 30, 2016.
Report title: “Immutatio – From Scholastics to Descartes” [in Italian]
- October 2016 **Invited Class Lecture** at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan. Title course: “Percorsi della modernità tra la rivoluzione scientifica e l’idealismo”, Storia della filosofia. Prof. M. Lenoci, E. Rapetti. October 12, 2016.
Report Title: “1630s and 1640s Descartes’ Physics”. [in Italian]
- May 2016 **Invited Class Lecture** at Universität Basel. Title course “Descartes: la fable du monde” (43490-01), Prof. Dominique Brancher. May 3, 2016.
Report Title: “Les textes de Descartes: lectures et écritures”. [In French]

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENTS (PUBLICATIONS & COLLABORATIONS):

a. Edited volume

1. Editor of fascicle-section. Title: “La fenomenologia della violenza in Stanley Kubrick. Filosofia, arte e narrazione” [*The Phenomenology of Violence in Kubrick's Cinema: Epistemology, philosophy and narrative*], ed. by F. Baldassarri, P. Caracciolo; on *Rifrazioni. Dal cinema all’oltre*, vol. 16, anno 8 (May 2016), pp. 24-155.

b. Articles

1. “Intro” to *The Phenomenology of Violence in Kubrick's Cinema: Epistemology, philosophy and narrative*, in *Rifrazioni. Dal cinema all’oltre*, vol. 16, anno 8 (May 2016), pp. 25-29. [with P. Caracciolo]
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3. “La pietra di Bologna: alla scoperta di una curiosità”, in *La pietra delle meraviglie*, Crexida, Bologna 2016, pp. 22-25. [This is a historical reconstruction of the Bologna stone for the leaflet of the theatrical performance.]

c. Professional collaborations

1. *Scientific advisory for the theatrical performance* “La meraviglia. Lo strano caso della pietra fosforica Bononiensis”. On stage in Summer-Fall-Winter 2016/2017/2018 – Group Crexida, directed by Angelica Zanardi. [Scientific consultation about the history and the interpretation of the Bologna Stone, the philosophy of wonder, the evolution of scientific approaches.]