Lorenzo Fabbri

PhD Student

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Research Interests

- Environmental and social determinants of **chronic diseases**, especially cancer and cardio-metabolic conditions.
- Life-course epidemiology.
- Transparent causal inference and evidence triangulation.

Academic Appointments

Postdoctoral Researcher

Barcelona Institute for Global Health (Barcelona, ES)

Oct 2025 - NA

PhD Student

Barcelona Institute for Global Health (Barcelona, ES)

Jun 2021 - Sep 2025

Student Research Assistant Fellowship

Università della Svizzera italiana (Lugano, CH)

Mar 2017 - May 2017

Education

PG Certificate in Public Health

London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (London, GB)

Oct 2025 - Present

- Basic Epidemiology (PHM101).

Graduate Certificate in Theoretical Statistics and Probability

The Open University (Milton Keynes, GB)

Oct 2024 - Present

- Mathematical statistics (M347): 91/100 With Distinction.

PhD Programme in Biomedicine

Universitat Pompeu Fabra (Barcelona, ES)

Sep 2021 - Sep 2025

- Thesis: Early Life Exposure to Environmental Chemicals and Neurodevelopment through Childhood and Adolescence.
- Supervisor: Prof. Martine Vrijheid.

M.Sc. in Quantitative and Computational Biology

Università degli Studi di Trento (Trento, IT)

Oct 2017 - Oct 2019

- Thesis (FBK, Trento (IT)): Machine Learning for Predictive Drug Induced Hepatotoxicity. Supervised by: Dr. Cesare Furlanello, Dr. Marco Chierici, Prof. Enrico Domenici.
- Internship (HITS, Heidelberg (DE)): Machine and Deep Learning for Predictive Unbinding Kinetics of Kinases. Supervised by: Prof. Rebecca Wade, Dr. Daria Kokh, Prof. Raffaello Potestio.
- Final mark: 110/110 With Honors.

M.Sc. Student in Computational Science

Università della Svizzera italiana (Lugano, CH)

Sep 2016 - Jul 2017

- Project (USI, Lugano (CH)): Investigation by Computational Techniques of Channelopaties related to Sodium Channels. Supervised by: Prof. Vittorio Limongelli, Prof. Daniele Di Marino.

B.Sc. in Biotechnology

University of Parma (Parma, IT)

Oct 2012 - Feb 2016

- Thesis (RWTH, Aachen (DE)): Whole Body PBPK Modeling of Valproic Acid. Supervised by: Prof. Elena Maestri, Prof. Lars M. Blank, Dr. Henrik Cordes.

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- Final mark: 103/110.

Research Visits

Master's thesis		
Fondazione Bruno Kessler (Trento, IT)	Jun 2019 - Oct 2019	
Master's internship HITS (Heidelberg, DE)	Mar 2019 - May 2019	
Bachelor's thesis RWTH Aachen University (Aachen, DE)	Apr 2015 - Aug 2015	
Grants and Fellowships		
Causal Inference for Environmental Mixtures [declined] ATHLETE (Barcelona, ES)	2024	
Causal Inference for Environmental Mixtures [declined] Centro de Investigación Biomédica en Red (Madrid, ES)	2024	
Meritatamente 2023 Società Unione Mutuo Soccorso (San Marino, SM)	2024	
Meritatamente 2022 Società Unione Mutuo Soccorso (San Marino, SM)	2022	
Erasmus+ Traineeship Programme Scholarship University of Trento (Trento, IT)	2019	
Faculty of Informatics Scholarship Università della Svizzera italiana (Lugano, CH)	2016	
Erasmus Traineeship Programme Scholarship University of Parma (Parma, IT)	2015	
Honors and Awards		
Student Tuition Waiver [declined] CAUSALab Summer Courses on Causal Inference	2024	
Outstanding Abstract by a Student International Society for Environmental Epidemiology	2022	
Publications		

Journal articles

- [1] Lorenzo Fabbri, Oliver Robinson, Xavier Basagaña, Leda Chatzi, Regina Grauleviien, Mònica Guxens, Manik Kadawathagedara, Amrit Kaur Sakhi, Léa Maitre, Rosemary McEachan, Claire Philippat, Óscar J. Pozo, Cathrine Thomsen, John Wright, Tiffany Yang and Martine Vrijheid. 'Childhood Exposure to Non-Persistent Endocrine Disruptors, Glucocorticosteroids, and Attentional Function: A Cross-Sectional Study Based on the Parametric g-Formula'. In: Environmental Research 264 (1st Jan. 2025), p. 120413. ISSN: 0013-9351. DOI: 10.1016/j.envres.2024. 120413. pmid: 39577729. URL: https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S001393512402320X (visited on 25/11/2024).
- [2] Nikos Stratakis, Augusto Anguita-Ruiz, **Lorenzo Fabbri**, Léa Maitre, Juan R. González, Sandra Andrusaityte, Xavier Basagaña, Eva Borràs, Hector C. Keun, Lida Chatzi, David V. Conti, Jesse Goodrich, Regina Grazuleviciene, Line Småstuen Haug, Barbara Heude, Wen Lun Yuan, Rosemary McEachan, Mark Nieuwenhuijsen, Eduard Sabidó, Rémy Slama, Cathrine Thomsen, Jose Urquiza, Theano Roumeliotaki, Marina Vafeiadi, John Wright, Mariona Bustamante and Martine Vrijheid. 'Multi-Omics Architecture of Childhood Obesity and Metabolic Dysfunction Uncovers Biological Pathways and Prenatal Determinants'. In: *Nature Communications* 16.1 (14th Jan. 2025), p. 654. ISSN: 2041-1723. DOI: 10.1038/s41467-025-56013-7. URL: https://www.nature.com/articles/s41467-025-56013-7 (visited on 15/01/2025).
- 3] Nuria Güil-Oumrait, Nikos Stratakis, Léa Maitre, Augusto Anguita-Ruiz, Jose Urquiza, **Lorenzo Fabbri**, Xavier Basagaña, Barbara Heude, Line Småstuen Haug, Amrit Kaur Sakhi, Nina Iszatt, Hector C. Keun,

- John Wright, Leda Chatzi, Marina Vafeiadi, Mariona Bustamante, Regina Grazuleviciene, Sandra Andruaityt, Rémy Slama, Rosemary McEachan, Maribel Casas and Martine Vrijheid. 'Prenatal Exposure to Chemical Mixtures and Metabolic Syndrome Risk in Children'. In: *JAMA Network Open* 7.5 (23rd May 2024), e2412040. ISSN: 2574-3805. DOI: 10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2024.12040. URL: https://doi.org/10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2024.12040 (visited on 16/07/2024).
- [4] Sarah Warkentin, Nikos Stratakis, **Lorenzo Fabbri**, John Wright, Tiffany C. Yang, Maria Bryant, Barbara Heude, Remy Slama, Parisa Montazeri, Marina Vafeiadi, Regina Grazuleviciene, Anne Lise Brantsæter and Martine Vrijheid. 'Dietary Patterns among European Children and Their Association with Adiposity-Related Outcomes: A Multi-Country Study'. In: *International Journal of Obesity* (27th Oct. 2024), pp. 1–11. ISSN: 1476-5497. DOI: 10.1038/s41366-024-01657-6. pmid: 39465309. URL: https://www.nature.com/articles/s41366-024-01657-6 (visited on 12/12/2024).
- [5] Lorenzo Fabbri, Ronan Garlantézec, Karine Audouze, Mariona Bustamante, Ángel Carracedo, Leda Chatzi, Juan Ramón González, Regina Grauleviien, Hector Keun, Chung-Ho E Lau, Eduard Sabidó, Alexandros P Siskos, Rémy Slama, Cathrine Thomsen, John Wright, Wen Lun Yuan, Maribel Casas, Martine Vrijheid and Léa Maitre. 'Childhood Exposure to Non-Persistent Endocrine Disrupting Chemicals and Multi-Omic Profiles: A Panel Study'. In: Environment International (26th Feb. 2023), p. 107856. ISSN: 0160-4120. DOI: 10.1016/j.envint.2023.107856. URL: https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0160412023001290 (visited on 27/02/2023).
- [6] Christoph Thiel, Henrik Cordes, **Lorenzo Fabbri**, Hélène Eloise Aschmann, Vanessa Baier, Ines Smit, Francis Atkinson, Lars Mathias Blank and Lars Kuepfer. 'A Comparative Analysis of Drug-Induced Hepatotoxicity in Clinically Relevant Situations'. In: *PLOS Computational Biology* 13.2 (2nd Feb. 2017), e1005280. ISSN: 1553-7358. DOI: 10.1371/journal.pcbi.1005280. URL: https://journals.plos.org/ploscompbiol/article?id=10.1371/journal.pcbi.1005280 (visited on 20/09/2023).

Articles under review and revising

1. Prenatal and Childhood Exposure to Mixtures of Environmental Chemicals and Adolescence Attentional Problems: A Triangulation Study. Under review at *Environment International*.

Software packages

causaleffects: Estimating causal effects

https://github.com/lorenzoFabbri/causaleffects

2024

myphd: A easy to use package for common tasks in epidemiology and causal inference research projects

https://github.com/isglobal-cep/myphd

2024

replicating-papers: Replicating papers from the epidemiology and causal inference literature

https://github.com/lorenzoFabbri/replicating-papers

2024

Conferences, Workshops, and Talks

Research presentations and conference participation

See https://figshare.com/authors/Lorenzo Fabbri for posters.

A precision environmental health approach to childhood obesity and metabolic dysfunction: identifying biological pathways and prenatal determinants

ISEE Annual Conference, Santiago (CL)

2024

Prenatal Exposure to Chemical Mixtures and Metabolic Syndrome Risk in European Children

ISEE Annual Conference, Santiago (CL)

2024

Childhood exposure to non-persistent endocrine disrupting chemicals and multi-omic profiles: a panel study

ISEE Annual Conference, Athens (GR)

2022

Childhood exposure to non-persistent endocrine disrupting chemicals and multi-omic markers in a population-based child cohort

EURION Cluster Annual Meeting (online)

2022

Childhood exposure to non-persistent endocrine disrupting chemicals and multi-omic markers in a population-based child cohort

International Prenatal Programing and Toxicity Meeting (online)

2022

putation putation Fortable MPI Support for Approximate Bayesian Computation	
Platform for Advanced Scientific Computing Conference, Lugano (CH)	2017
Talks and workshops See https://github.com/lorenzoFabbri/talks for slides and materials. Transparent causal inference for observational epidemiology Colicino Group, NYC (via Zoom)	Jan 2025
Continuing Education	
Spring School in Causal Inference with Observational Data Causal Insights, Leeds (UK)	Apr 2022
Computational Bayesian methods using brms in R Physalia Courses, online	Feb 2022
ELIXIR Omics Integration and Systems Biology National Bioinformatics Infrastructure Sweden, online	Sep 2021
Advanced Statistics: Statistical Modelling Swiss Institute of Bioinformatics, online	Aug 2021
Alpine Exposome Summer School Inserm and ATHLETE, online	Jun 2021
Metabolomics Data Processing and Data Analysis University of Birmingham, online	Feb 2021
Mendelian Randomisation Imperial College London, online	May 2020
Image Analysis and Modeling of Complex Biological Dynamics University of Wurzburg, Wurzburg (DE)	Sep 2017
Effective High Performance Computing Summer School CSCS and University of Lugano, Lugano (CH)	Jul 2017
MARVEL School on Variationally Enhanced Sampling University of Lugano, Lugano (CH)	Feb 2017
Advanced Course in Alternatives to Animal Experimentation University of Genova, Genoa (IT)	Nov 2015
Service	
Referee	
Scientific Reports (1). Working groups International Society for Environmental Epidemiology Students and New Researchers Network	2022 - 2023
COnsortium of METabolomics Studies Early Career Scientist Working Group	2022 - 2023
Professional memberships Centro de Investigación Biomédica en Red (CIBERESP) Member	2024 - 2025
Society for Longitudinal and Lifecourse Studies Member	2024 - Present
Society for Epidemiologic Research Member	2021 - 2024

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Efficient and Portable MPI Support for Approximate Bayesian Com-

Skills

Languages Italian (native), English (C1, IELTS 7.0), Spanish (basic)

Programming LanguagesR, Python, MATLAB, CMarkup LanguagesLaTeX, Quarto/RMarkdown

Software Development git, SLURM, High Performance Scientific Computing