

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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CV OVERVIEW

Corrado Barbui holds an MD degree from the University of Milan and a postdoctoral degree in Psychiatry from the University of Verona. He received training in epidemiology, clinical psychopharmacology and health services research at the Mario Negri Institute for Pharmacological Research, Milan, Italy. He received additional training at the Institute of Psychiatry, King's College, London, where he joined the Editorial team of the Cochrane Collaboration Depression Anxiety & Neuroses Group.

Returning to Italy, he conducted research in the field of psychiatric epidemiology, global mental health, clinical psychopharmacology and health services research. In 2013 he became Director of the *WHO Collaborating Centre for Research and Training in Mental Health and Service Evaluation* of the University of Verona. In 2015 he was appointed Full Professor of Psychiatry, and in 2021 he was elected Chairperson of the Department of Neurosciences, Biomedicine and Movement Sciences of the University of Verona. In 2025, Corrado Barbui was appointed Director of the "Clinical Unit of Adult Psychiatry" of the *Azienda Ospedaliera Universitaria Integrata*, Verona, with clinical responsibility of an acute inpatient ward and a network of outpatient facilities.

Corrado Barbui published so far over 530 scientific articles in international peer-reviewed journals, including papers in the *Lancet*, *BMJ*, *JAMA*, *PLOS Medicine*, *World Psychiatry*, *JAMA Psychiatry*, *Lancet Psychiatry*. He was appointed "Highly Cited Researcher" from Clarivate on several occasions. A list of Professor Corrado Barbui scientific contributions can be accessed at: <http://scholar.google.it/citations?user=xloo8tMAAAAJ>

CURRENT POSITION

- 2025 – Present **Director, Clinical Unit of Adult Psychiatry** - Azienda Ospedaliera Universitaria Integrata di Verona, Italy
- 2021 – Present **Chairperson, University Department of Neuroscience, Biomedicine and Movement Sciences** - University of Verona
- 2015 – Present **Full Professor of Psychiatry** - University of Verona, Italy
- 2013 – Present **Director, *WHO Collaborating Centre for Research and Training in Mental Health and Service Evaluation*** - University of Verona, Italy

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

- 2011 – 2014 **Associate Professor of Psychiatry** - University of Verona, Italy
- 2002 – 2010 **Lecturer in Psychiatry** - University of Verona, Italy
- 2000 – 2001 **Researcher - Head, Laboratory of Epidemiology and Social Psychiatry**, Mario

Negri Institute for Pharmacological Research, Milan, Italy

1998-1999 **Visiting Scholar** - *Section of Epidemiology and General Practice*, Institute of Psychiatry, King's College, London, UK

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- 2000 Qualification as Psychiatrist
- 1997 Qualification as Specialist in Pharmacological Research, Mario Negri Institute for Pharmacological Research, Milan, Italy
- 1993 Qualification as Medical Doctor (MD).

MAIN RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Evidence-based mental health
- Psychiatric epidemiology
- Global mental health
- Clinical psychopharmacology
- Health services research

RECENT GRANTS

- 2024 – present **Principal Investigator**, PNRR-MCNT2-2023-12377225. Anxiety and depressive disorders in people with functional movement disorders: frequency, associated factors and preventative effect of a brief, low-intensity, WHO psychological intervention. NextGenerationEU, Call section: Malattie Croniche non Trasmissibili (MCNT2) ad alto impatto sui sistemi sanitari.
- 2022 – present **Local Principal Investigator**, ADVANCE Study: “Addressing mental health vulnerabilities from adolescence to older age: innovating prevention science for times of change”. European Union’s Horizon Programme under Grant Agreement No. 101080323.
- 2021 – 2024 **Local Principal Investigator**, RESPOND Clinical Trial: “Improving the Preparedness of Health Systems to Reduce Mental Health and Psychosocial Concerns resulting from the COVID-19 Pandemic”. European Union’s Horizon 2020 H2020-SC1-PHE-CORONAVIRUS-2020-2-RTD, Grant Agreement No 101016127.
- 2018 – 2020 **Principal Investigator**, RE-DEFINE EUROPE Clinical Trial (6 recruiting sites): “Effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of Self-Help Plus (SH+) for preventing mental disorders in refugees and asylum seekers in Europe”. European Union’s Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation programme Societal Challenges, Grant Agreement No 779255.
- 2018 – 2020 **Principal Investigator**, RE-DEFINE TURKEY Clinical Trial: “Effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of Self-Help Plus (SH+) for preventing mental disorders in refugees and asylum seekers in Turkey”. European Union’s Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation programme Societal Challenges, Grant Agreement No 779255.
- 2017 – Present **Principal Investigator**, VESPA Clinical Trial (10 recruiting sites in Italy): “Assessing tolerability and efficacy of vortioxetine versus SSRIs in elderly patients with depression: a pragmatic, multicentre, open-label, parallel-group, superiority, randomized trial”. Funded by “*Agenzia Italiana del Farmaco*”, Rome.

INSTITUTIONAL ROLES

- 2021 – Present **Chairperson**, Department of Neuroscience, Biomedicine and Movement Sciences, University of Verona
- 2018 – 2023 **Chairperson**, Committee for Compliance with the Code of Ethics, University of Verona
- 2019 – 2021 **Chairperson**, Master's Degree in Medicine and Surgery, University of Verona
- 2017 – 2020 **Rector's Delegate**, Institutional Review Board Committee, University of Verona
- 2016 – 2021 **Chairperson**, Research Committee of the Department of Neuroscience, Biomedicine and Movement Sciences, University of Verona

SCIENTIFIC OUTPUT

Publications

Professor Corrado Barbui published so far **over 530 full papers** in international scientific Journals. A list of Professor Corrado Barbui scientific contributions can be accessed at: <http://scholar.google.it/citations?user=xloo8tMAAAAJ>

h-index (GOOGLE SCHOLAR): 90 (lifetime); 63 (last five years)

Citations (GOOGLE SCHOLAR): 38348 (lifetime); 18361 (last five years)

i10-index (GOOGLE SCHOLAR): 372 (lifetime); 232 (last five years)

Selection of recent publications

Purgato M, Tedeschi F, Turrini G, Cadorin C, Compri B, Muriago G, Ostuzzi G, Pinucci I, Prina E, Serra R, Tarsitani L, Witteveen AB, Roversi A, Melchior M, McDaid D, Park AL, Petri-Romão P, Kalisch R, Underhill J, Bryant R, Mediavilla Torres R, Ayuso-Mateos JL, Felez Nobrega M, Haro JM, Sijbrandij M, Nosè M, **Barbui C. Effectiveness of a stepped-care programme of WHO psychological interventions in a population of migrants: results from the RESPOND randomized controlled trial.** *World Psychiatry.* 2025 Feb;24(1):120-130.

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M, Patel V, Furukawa TA, Cuijpers P, Barbui C. **Psychotherapies for Generalized Anxiety Disorder in Adults: A Systematic Review and Network Meta-Analysis of Randomized Clinical Trials.** *JAMA Psychiatry.* 2024 Mar 1;81(3):250-259.

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Acarturk C, Uygun E, Ilkkursun Z, Carswell K, Tedeschi F, Batu M, Eskici S, Kurt G, Anttila M, Au T, Baumgartner J, Churchill R, Cuijpers P, Becker T, Koesters M, Lantta T, Nosè M, Ostuzzi G, Popa M, Purgato M, Sijbrandij M, Turrini G, Välimäki M, Walker L, Wancata J, Zanini E, White RG, van Ommeren M, Barbui C. **Effectiveness of a WHO self-help psychological intervention for preventing mental disorders among Syrian refugees in Turkey: a randomized controlled trial.** *World Psychiatry.* 2022 Feb;21(1):88-95.

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Barbui C, Purgato M, Abdulmalik J, Acarturk C, Eaton J, Gastaldon C, Gureje O, Hanlon C, Jordans M, Lund C, Nosè M, Ostuzzi G, Papola D, Tedeschi F, Tol W, Turrini G, Patel V, Thornicroft G. **Efficacy of psychosocial interventions for mental health outcomes in low-income and middle-income countries: an umbrella review.** *Lancet Psychiatry.* 2020 Feb;7(2):162-172.

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