

Table 2.

The most prolific 50 Italian anesthesiologists and intensive care specialists of the last 5 years together with their affiliations. Online supplement of “Buratti L. Where are Italian anesthesiologists and intensive care specialists publishing? A quantitative analysis of publication activity. HSR Proceedings in Intensive Care and Cardiovascular Anesthesia 2009;2:48-52” available on www.itacta.org

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Ranking	Author	Affiliation	N of indexed papers
1	Antonelli, Massimo	Università Cattolica Sacro Cuore, Roma	76
2	Zangrillo, Alberto	Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele di Milano	74
3	Landoni Giovanni	IRCCS Ospedale San Raffaele di Milano	72
4	Stocchetti, Nino	Università di Milano	69
5	Casati, Andrea	Università di Parma	65
6	Gattinoni, Luciano	Università di Milano	57
7	Gullo, Antonino	Università di Catania	56
8	Pelosi, Paolo	Università dell’Insubria, Varese	54
9	Morelli, Andrea	Università La Sapienza di Roma	50
10	Ori, Carlo	Università di Padovax	49
11	Pietropaoli, Paolo	Università La Sapienza di Roma	48
12	Conti, Giorgio	Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Roma	46
13	Ranucci, Marco	IRCCS Policlinico San Donato	42
14	Biancofiore, Gianni	Azienda Ospedaliera Universitaria Pisana	40
15	Citerio, Giuseppe	Azienda Ospedaliera San Gerardo, Monza	39
16	Silvestri, Luciano	Azienda Ospedaliera di Gorizia	38
17	Ranieri, V. Marco	Università di Torino	37
18	Crescenzi, Giuseppe	IRCCS Ospedale San Raffaele di Milano	36
19	<i>Tufano, Rosalba</i>	<i>Università Federico II, Napoli</i>	35
20	Iapichino, Gaetano	Università di Milano	30
21	Fanelli, Guido	Università di Parma	29
22	Pietrini, Domenico	Università Cattolica Sacro Cuore, Roma	29
23	Feltracco, Paolo	Università di Padova	28
24	Chiumello, Davide	Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico Milano	27
25	Pappalardo, Federico	IRCCS San Raffaele, Milano	26
25	Rosa, Giovanni	Università La Sapienza di Roma	26
25	Santamaria, Letterio B	Università di Messina	26
28	Berti, Marco	Università di Parma	25
28	Latronico, Nicola	Università di Brescia	25
28	Micaglio, Massimo	Università di Padova	25
31	Fumagalli, Roberto	Università di Milano	23
31	Guarracino, Fabio	Azienda Universitaria Ospedaliera Pisana	23
31	Proietti, Rodolfo	Università Cattolica Sacro Cuore, Roma	23
34	Pesenti, Antonio	Università Bicocca, Milano	21
34	Tritapepe, Luigi	Università La Sapienza di Roma	21
36	<i>Astuto, Marinella</i>	<i>Università di Catania</i>	20
36	Caironi, Pietro	Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico Milano	20
36	Faenza, Stefano	Policlinico S. Orsola, Bologna	20
36	Mistraletti, Giovanni	Università di Milano	20
36	Navalesi, Paolo	Fondaz. San Maugeri, Pavia	20
36	Pellis, Tommaso	Ospedale Civile, Pordenone	20
42	<i>Bignami, Elena</i>	<i>IRCCS Ospedale San Raffaele di Milano</i>	19
42	Cavaliere, Franco	Università Cattolica Sacro Cuore, Roma	19

42	<i>Conte, Valeria</i>	<i>Ospedale Maggiore Policlinico Milano</i>	19
42	Danelli, Giorgio	Università di Parma	19
42	<i>Franco, Annalisa</i>	<i>IRCCS Ospedale San Raffaele di Milano</i>	19
47	Albertin, Andrea	IRCCS Multimedica, Milano	18
47	Bigatello, Luca M.	Università dell'Insubria, Varese	18
47	Leykin, Yigal	Ospedale Civile, Pordenone	18
47	Paoletti, Francesco	Università di Firenze	18
47	<i>Rocco, Monica</i>	<i>Università La Sapienza di Roma</i>	18

Methods

The Scopus database was searched for publications (2004-2009) to identify the most prolific authors among Italian anesthesiologists and intensive care specialists working in Italy.

Italian anesthesiologists and intensive care specialists working in Italy were identified as follows: A) Every Professor of Anesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine listed in www.cpoar.org (last accessed March 31st 2009); B) All the first and last names of authors who published in *Minerva Anestesiologica* from January 2008 To April 2009; C) All the present SIAARTI (Società Italiana di Anestesia, Rianimazione e Terapia Intensiva) representatives and all the candidates for the 2009 elections listed in www.siaarti.it (last accessed February 28th 2009); D) Co-authors of the previously identified nominees were identified using Scopus; E) Authors of papers published in international journals were also identified.

We obtained a total of 321 names and identified the number of publications from January 2004 to May 2009 as indexed in the Scopus database (www.scopus.com) searching for the surname and initial of the author in the "Health sciences" section under "Authors".

The 50 most prolific Italian anesthesiologists and intensive care specialists of the last 5 years are listed in Table 2 together with their affiliations. Most of them are from academic institutes. Six out of 50 most prolific authors were female.

Despite its obvious limitations such as the choice of a single database (Scopus), the absence of important qualitative indicators (e.g. impact factor, citation index), the inclusion of any type of publication (a letter to the editor or reviews counted like a randomized controlled study) and the possible exclusion of important scholars, this is the most up-to-date and comprehensive attempt to perform a quantitative analysis of publishing in Italy.

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