



Publications and new products

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Dear friends,

I grew up in a musical family and started singing at a very young age. In fact, we all loved singing and playing so much that our parents made us kids took up piano lessons very early. Thank our parents, we also grew up listening to a variety of different music, even though country music stood out to us.

Today I'd like to tell you the story about my father, born on the 22nd May 1927 and no longer with us, because of difficulties in health care caused last year by covid-19.

He lived in a small village in central Italy. Despite the world war, he made up his studies and became a scientist in chemistry and toxicology. After getting married to his tender and very young fiancée, he moved to Rome and together started a family with five children and, later on, 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Throughout his life, he devoted himself to studying, writing books and essays, acting as an Italian representative at the European Union, and teaching at the university, which he did even after he retired and until he could. Music was one of his greatest loves in life; he loved playing his harmonica and make music together, which we pleasantly did nearly until the end, making us feel united.

He lived his last years with dementia and reached the point he only knew us as some people passing by and even did not know us by our names. What was stunning, though, was that we could still connect through singing and playing music. No book, no tale, nor therapy could give us our father or grandfather back like music did, instead.

Today, the number of people affected by Alzheimer's disease is growing bigger and bigger, and I am sure anyone of you could tell about a case among his/her relatives or friends. Though, I believe sharing experiences is crucial and can give support to the families affected.

New Alzheimer's drug aducanumab is creating new hopes – by the way, read the [interesting post](#) published on The Conversation blog last June 11th – although further research is still needed. However, Alzheimer's disease awareness is rising in many countries, and many websites collecting stakeholders and families' experiences exist. For example, in New Zealand, the [Alzheimer New Zealand](#) website “represents people living with dementia at a national level by raising awareness of dementia, providing information and resources, advocating for high-quality services, and promoting research about prevention, treatment, cure and care”. Through their excellent Strategic Framework and work, they want to move towards a world without dementia. Besides receiving support and advice, people can share [one's own story](#), explore new possibilities, and be involved through this website. So please, surf it and enjoy the stories told.

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- **Performance evaluation of three semantic expansions to query PubMed**
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- **Application of bibliometrics in medicine: a historical bibliometrics analysis**
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Salman Bin Naeem
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Health literacy: the role of NHS Library and Knowledge Services
Joanne Naughton, Kerry Booth, Paula Elliott, Morag Evans, Maria Simoes and Suzanne Wilson

FROM THE WEB

- **PatientView and myhealthapps.net**

PatientView is a UK-based research, publishing, and consultancy group, born out of a belief that the patients' views should be considered in all-important healthcare decisions. It was formed in response to the powerful new global patient movement. PatientView organisation acts worldwide to connect with the health Non-Governmental Organisations comprising the patient movement. Patient organisations are in an excellent position to provide valued insights since they are the only stakeholder to interact across every facet of the healthcare system. In addition, they hold resilient views about the experiences and needs of patients with whom they are familiar, their country's healthcare policies, and systems and technologies' values (digital and mobile).

Myhealthapps.net, brought to us by PatientView, brings together the world's favourite healthcare apps – tried and tested by people, to find trusted apps and support people or someone people care for. Each app is classified to make it easier for users to find ones relevant to them. [Check here](#) to learn more about their methodology and how apps are classified.



- **Even ancient queens and kings sometimes have to move**

Last April 3rd, Middle East BBC news showed how Egyptian mummies passed through Cairo in ancient rulers' parade. It was a luxurious vision that saw 22 mummies - 18 kings and four queens - transported from the existing Egyptian Museum to their new resting place 5km away. They were conveyed in chronological order of their reigns - from the 17th Dynasty ruler, Seqenenre Taa II, to Ramses IX, who reigned in the 12th Century BC. In BBC's words, "each mummy was carried on a decorated vehicle fitted with special shock-absorbers and surrounded by a motorcade, including replica horse-drawn war chariots". The main attractions were King Ramses II, who ruled for 67 years and is remembered for signing the first known peace treaty, and Queen Hatshepsut, who became monarch even though at her time women did not become pharaohs. Read the [BBC's captivating post](#) and watch the 18 kings and four queens stunning parade.

SOME INTERESTING FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

ICML+AHILA 2021

June 21-25, 2021, Pretoria, South Africa

Info: <https://icml2021.org/>

July 5-8, 2021, Istanbul, Turkey

EAHIL 2021 Online Workshop

Info: <https://etkinlik.marmara.edu.tr/eahil2021>

... and we hope, many more to come!

Please feel free to contact me (letizia.sampaolo@iss.it) if you have any further suggestion about events you would like to promote.