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PRESENT OCCUPATION

Co-director of the *Center for Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Studies* (CAMNES).

Adjunct Lecturer of “Archaeology and Religion” at the *Institute for Prehistoric Archaeology of the Near East, Masaryk University, Brno (Czech Republic)*.

Adjunct Lecturer of “Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East” at the *Scuola di Specializzazione in Beni Archeologici (Università di Firenze)*.

Core competences: Archaeology of Religion and Funerary Practices in the Upper Mesopotamia during the Early Bronze Age; Architecture of the Middle Bronze Age in Eastern Anatolia, IIIrd millennium Pottery of the Syrian-Jezirah.

Field expert in Ancient Near Eastern Archaeology. From 2005 to 2010 field director of the Italian/American Archaeological Mission at *Hirbermerdon Tepe (Diyarbakir, Turkey)*. From 2009 to 2010 field-director of the Turkish Archaeological Mission at *Kuriki (Batman, Turkey)*. From 1998 to 2000 member of the Italian Archaeological Mission at *Hatra (Iraq)*. From 1993 to 2006 member of the Italian Archaeological Mission at *Tell Barri (Syria)*.

Since July 2006, assistant curator of the “Mesopotamian and Anatolian Collections” of the *National Archaeological Museum of Florence*.

2003-2010 topic coordinator for the *Burial Practices in the Groups of Jezirah and Tigridian Regions inside the ARCANE PROJECT (Associated Regional Chronologies for the Ancient Near East and the Eastern Mediterranean)*. Project of European Centre for Upper Mesopotamia Studies funded by the European Science Foundation.

EDUCATION

- Doctorate (Ph.D.) with fellowship (2003-2005) in Ancient History (Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East) - *Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali”* - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence).

Dissertation: “*Usi e costumi funerari nella regione del Medio e Alto Khabur durante la prima metà del III millennio a.C.*” (Burial Customs in the Middle and Upper Khabur Region during the first half of the III millennium BC).

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- BA, MA Degree in Humanities (*Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East* – Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence).
Thesis: "*Le pratiche funerarie a Tell Barri/Kahat durante il Bronzo Medio, in relazione all'area siro-mesopotamica settentrionale*" (Burial Customs at Tell Barri/Kabat during the Middle Bronze Age, in relation to the Syro-Mesopotamian Region).
[Discussion 2/6/2000; Evaluation: 110/110 with honours].

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES, SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS:

- 1999: Research Project funded by the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence entitled: "*Ricerche sulla produzione ceramica del sito di Tell Barri (Siria)*". (Research on the pottery production in the site of Tell Barri (Syria).
- 2001: Research fellowship (“assegno di ricerca”) from Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence:
"*Ricerche archeologiche a Tell Barri e nella Siria nord orientale*". (Archaeological Research at Tell Barri in north-eastern Syria).
Analytical and typological study of the pottery excavated in the G Area at Tell Barri dated back to the Accadian, post-Accadian/Ur III and Isin-Larsa (Early Bronze Age IV – Middle Bronze Age I) periods.
- 2002: Research fellowship (“assegno di ricerca”) from Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence:
"*Ricerche archeologiche a Tell Barri e nella Siria nord orientale*". (Archaeological Researches at Tell Barri in north-eastern Syria)
Analytical and typological study of the pottery excavated in the G and B Areas at Tell Barri dated back to the Early Dynastic I-III (Early Bronze Age I-III).
- 2002: Project for young researcher funded by the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence:
"*1933, Kakzu (Iraq): il primo scavo archeologico italiano in Mesopotamia. Progetto di informatizzazione e digitalizzazione dei dati relativi ai materiali scavati e conservati nei Musei di Firenze e Baghdad*". Kakzu (Iraq): the first Italian Archaeological Excavation in Mesopotamia. Project of computerization and digitalization of the data regarding the materials excavated and stored in the Museums of Florence and Baghdad).
- 2006: Research fellowship (“assegno di ricerca”) from Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence:
"*La trasformazione socio-economica e culturale dell'insediamento di Tell Barri (Siria), nell'Alto Khabur durante il Bronzo Antico*". (The Socio-Economic and Cultural Evolution of the Tell Barri Settlement, in the Upper Khabur Region, during the Early Bronze Age).
- 2008: Research fellowship (“assegno di ricerca”) from Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence:
"*Aree sacre e luoghi di culto nella Jezirah durante il Bronzo Antico*". (Sacred Areas and Cultic Places in Jezirah, during the Early Bronze Age).



- 2010: Research fellowship from Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence:
"Aree sacre e luoghi di culto nella Jezirah durante il Bronzo Antico". (Sacred Areas and Cultic Places in Jezirah, during the Early Bronze Age).
- 2003-2010. In charge of the inventories of Tell Barri in the Regional Group of *Jezirah* inside the ARCANE PROJECT (Associated Regional Chronologies for the Ancient Near East and the Eastern Mediterranean). Project of European Centre for Upper Mesopotamia Studies funded by the European Science Foundation and coordinated by Pierre de Miroschedji, Marc Lebeau and Elena Roava.

COURSES AND LECTURES UNDERTAKEN AT UNIVERSITY

- 2003: Lecturer (temporary position) of Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. P. E. Pecorella). Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence. Series of lessons [75 hours] titled: “*La ceramica in archeologia*” (Pottery in Archaeology).
- 2004: Lecturer (temporary position) of Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. P. E. Pecorella). Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence. Series of lessons [25 hours] titled: “*La ceramica in archeologia*” (Pottery in Archaeology).
- 2005: Lecturer (temporary position) of Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. P. E. Pecorella). Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence. Series of lessons [50 hours] titled: “*La ceramica in archeologia*” (Pottery in Archaeology).
- 2006: Lecturer (temporary position) of Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. Stefania Mazzoni). Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence. Series of lessons [25 hours] titled: “*La ceramica in archeologia*” (Pottery in Archaeology).
- 2006: Lecturer (temporary position) of *Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East* at the Specialization School of Archaeology (Università di Firenze). Series of lessons [10 hours].
- 2007: Lecturer (temporary position) of Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. Stefania Mazzoni). Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence. Series of lessons [25 hours] titled: “*Tecniche dello scavo archeologico*”. (Techniques of Archaeological Excavation).
- 2007: Lecturer (temporary position) of *Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East* at the Specialization School of Archaeology (Università di Firenze). Series of lessons [12 hours].
- 2008: Lecturer (temporary position) of Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. Stefania Mazzoni). Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence. Series of lessons [25 hours] titled: “*Le antichità orientali del Museo del Louvre*”. (The Near Eastern Antiquities of the Louvre Museum).

- 2008: Lecturer (temporary position) of *Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East* at the Specialization School of Archaeology (Università di Firenze). Series of lessons [12 hours].
- 2008-2009: Lecturer (temporary position) of Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. Stefania Mazzoni). Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence. Series of lessons [25 hours] titled: *“L’uomo e la morte. Percorsi di analisi delle pratiche funerarie dalla Preistoria alla Classicità”*. (The man and the Death. Perspectives of Analysis of the Burial Practices from Prehistory to the Classical Period).
- 2009-2010: Lecturer (temporary position) of Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. Stefania Mazzoni). Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence. Series of lessons [15 hours] titled: *“La documentazione archeologica negli scavi vicino-orientali”*. (Archaeological Documentation in the Near East Excavations).
- 2010: Lecturer (temporary position) of *Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East* at the Specialization School of Archaeology (Università di Firenze). Series of lessons [12 hours].
- 2010-2011: Lecturer (temporary position) of Laboratory for students related with the Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East (Prof. Stefania Mazzoni). Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence. Series of lessons [15 hours] titled: *“La documentazione archeologica negli scavi vicino-orientali”*. (Archaeological Documentation in the Near East Excavations).
- 2012: Lecturer (temporary position) of *Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East* at the Specialization School of Archaeology (Università di Firenze). Series of lessons [12 hours].
- 2013/2014: Lecturer (temporary position) of *Archaeology and Art History of the Ancient Near East* at the Scuola di Specializzazione in Beni Archeologici (Università di Firenze). Series of lessons [10 hours].
- 15/3/2003: Lecture at the Department of Archaeology – University of Turin – School of Specialisation in Archaeology.
“Per un approccio metodologico alle pratiche funerarie” (Methodological Approach to Burial Practices).
- 18/10/2003: Lecture at the Department of Archaeology – University of Naples – Course of Archaeology of the Roman Provinces.
“Tombe e rituali funerari in Mesopotamia: il caso di Tell Barri” (Tombs and Funerary Rituals in Mesopotamia: the case of Tell Barri).
- 4/12/2003: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence – Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East.
“Le pratiche funerarie a Tell Barri (Siria)” (Funerary Practices at Tell Barri (Syria)).
- 20/11/2004: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence – Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East.
“Le pratiche funerarie nella Mesopotamia settentrionale durante il Bronzo Medio: il caso di Tell Barri (Siria)” (Funerary Practices in Upper Mesopotamia during the Middle Bronze Age: the case of Tell Barri (Syria)).
- 10/3/2005 Lecture at the Department of Archaeology – University of Turin – Course of Archaeological Methodology.

“*Le pratiche funerarie in Giazira durante il III e II millennio a.C.*” (Burial Practices in Jezirah during the III and II millennium BC).

- 23/11/2005: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.
“*L’alta valle del Tigri tra il Bronzo Antico e il Bronzo Medio. Risultati preliminari degli scavi a Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turchia)*” (The Upper Tigris Valley between the Early and the Middle Bronze Age. Preliminary Results of the Excavations at Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turkey).
- 4/12/2005: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence - Course of Archaeology and History of Art of the Ancient Near East.
“*Introduzione agli aspetti teorici dell’archeologia della morte*” (Introduction to the Theoretical Approaches to the Archaeology of Death).
- 28/4/2006: Lecture at the Institute for the Mycenaean and Aegean-Anatolian Studies – Rome.
“*L’alta valle del Tigri tra il Bronzo Antico e il Bronzo Medio. Risultati preliminari degli scavi a Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turchia)*” (The Upper Tigris Valley between the Early and the Middle Bronze Age. Preliminary Results of the Excavations at Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turkey).
- 8/5/2006: Lecture at the Department of Archaeology – University of Venice.
“*L’alta valle del Tigri tra il Bronzo Antico e il Bronzo Medio. Risultati preliminari degli scavi a Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turchia)*” (The Upper Tigris Valley between the Early and the Middle Bronze Age. Preliminary Results of the Excavations at Hirbemerdon Tepe (Turkey).
- 19/5/2006: Lecture at the Department of Archaeology – University of Palermo.
“*Recenti sviluppi dell’archeologia funeraria nella Mesopotamia settentrionale*” (Recent Studies on the Funerary Archaeology of the Upper Mesopotamia).
- 5/12/2006: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity – University of Warsaw.
“*The Ninevite V Period at Tell Barri in Jezirah*”.
- 24/3/2007: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.
“*Il periodo Ninevite 5 a Tell Barri ed in Giazira*” (The Ninevite V Period at Tell Barri in Jezirah).
- 31/3/2007: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.
“*Hirbemerdon Tepe Archaeological Project (2003-2006)*”.
- 26/1/2008: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.
“*La Mesopotamia settentrionale tra la fine del IV e l’inizio del III millennio a.C.*” (Crisis and regeneration. The Upper Mesopotamia between the end of the fourth and the beginning of the third millennium B.C.).
- 21/2/2008: Lecture at the National Archaeological Museum - Florence.
“*Note su alcuni pezzi delle antichità mesopotamiche ed anatoliche del Museo Archeologico di Firenze.*” (Some remarks about Mesopotamian and Anatolian collections of the National Archaeological Museum of Florence).
- 03/11/2008: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.
“*Il fenomeno della cultura Uruk*” (The Uruk Culture Phenomenon).



- 19/10/2009: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.
“*Il processo archeologico*” (The Archaeological Process).
- 20/10/2009: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.
“*Approcci teorici nell’archeologia del Vicino Oriente Antico*” (Theoretical Approach in the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East).
- 21/10/2009: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence.
“*Le culture ceramiche preistoriche del Vicino Oriente*” (Prehistory of the Ancient Near East).
- 22/04/2010: Lecture at the Department of Antiquity – University of Brno.
“*Exploring Tell, Hüyük and Tepe. Different methods of field research in the Ancient Near East sites*”.
- 22-23/03/2011: Lectures at the Department of Antiquity – University of Brno.
“*Methods of field research in the Ancient Near East sites*”.
“*Archaeology of Religion*”.
- 28/10-7/11/2013: Lectures at the Department of Antiquity – University of Brno.
“*Archaeology of Religion*” (MA COURSE-FALL SEMESTER, 25 h.)

EXCAVATION ACTIVITIES

- 1993-2006: member of the Italian Archaeological Mission at *Tell Barri (Syria)*
[Director: Prof. P. E. Pecorella, Department of Antiquity “G. Pasquali” - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence (1993-2005) and Prof. R. Pierobon Benoit, University “Federico II” of Naples (2006)].
http://www.dssg.unifi.it/_onr/Tell%20Barri/tellbarrihp.htm
 - 1993: *Area Supervisor*: Field H: Byzantine Period; Field E: Parthian Period; Field G (Sectors A-D 7-10): Post-Assyrian Period.
 - 1994: Session of studies: Drawing of Pottery.
 - 1995: *Area Supervisor*: Field G (Sectors A-D 1-6): Mitannian Period; Field Bs: Accadian and Early Dynastic III periods.
 - 1996: *Area Supervisor*: Field G (Sectors A-D 1-6): Old Babylonian Period; Field J: Bizantine, Sasanian, Parthian, Ellenistic, Achemenian Periods.
 - 1997-2005: *Area Supervisor*: Field G (Sectors A-D 1-6): Isin-Larsa, Post-Accadian/Ur III, Accadian, Early Dynastic I-IIIa-b Periods (Excavation of the *Ninevite V Sacred Area*). Analytical and typological study of the III millennium pottery.
 - 2006: *Area Supervisor*: Field G (Sectors A-D 1-6): Early Dynastic II Period; Field B: Early Dynastic I-II Periods. Analytical and typological study of the III millennium pottery.
- 1998-2000: member of the Italian Archaeological Mission at *Hatra (Iraq)* [Director Prof. R. Ricciardi Venco, Università di Torino].
<http://hal9000.cisi.unito.it/wf/DIPARTIMEN/Scienze-An/Ricerche-area-archeologica/Vicino-e-Medio-Oriente/Scavo-di-Hatra--Iraq-/index.htm>



- 1998 (April and May): *Area Supervisor*. Sounding Te 1, Te 4 and Te 24 inside the *Temenos*: Ellenistic and Parthian Periods.
- 1998 (October): *Area Supervisor*. Sounding Te 1, Te 4 and Te 24 inside the *Temenos*: Ellenistic and Parthian Periods.
- 2000: *Field Director*. Sounding Te 1, Te 4 and Te 24 inside the *Temenos*: Ellenistic and Parthian Periods.

- 2005-2010: field director of the Italian/American Archaeological Mission at *Hirbermerdon Tepe (Diyarbakir, Turkey)* [Director Dr. Nicola Laneri (IsIAO, Roma); Co-Director Dr. Mark Schwartz (Department of Anthropology, Grand Valley State University Allendale, MI)]. <http://www.gvsu.edu/hirbemerdonteproject>
 - 2005-2010: *Field Director*: Area A (High Mound): Iron Age and Middle Bronze Age I-II periods. Area B (Lower Town): Iron Age, Middle Bronze Age I-II and Chalcolithic periods. Area C (High Mound): Iron Age. Area D (Early Bronze Age)

- Since 2009 co-director of the Turkish Archaeological Mission at *Kuriki (Batman, Turkey)* [Director: Assis. Prof. Elif Genç (Department of Archaeology, Dumlupinar University - Kutahya, Turkey)]
 - 2009-2010: *Field Director* of the Areas A & B (Parthian and Chalcolithic periods).

- 1995 - 1996: Member of the Expeditions at Cosma and Cervi Caves (Lecce, Italy) Department of Prehistory – University of Florence [Director Dr. Mara Guerri].
 - Topographic survey inside the caves.

- 1996 - 1997: Excavations at Sesto Fiorentino (Firenze, Italy) - Department of Prehistory and Paleethnology – University of Siena [Director: Prof. Lucia Sarti]
 - Excavation, graphic and photographic documentation, inventory and classification of the archaeological materials dated back to the Neolithic and Bronze Age.

- 1997: Excavations at Poggio la Croce - Radda in Chianti (Siena, Italy). In collaboration with *Cooperativa Archeologica "Archeoprogetti"*.
 - Excavation of the Etruscan settlement, graphic and photographic documentation, inventory and classification of the archaeological materials dated back to the Neolithic and Bronze Age.

- 1997: Project of Experimental Archaeology at Natural Park of Cavriglia (Arezzo- Italy). In collaboration with *Cooperativa Archeologica "Archeoprogetti"*.
 - Reconstruction of a Prehistoric village with students of primary and secondary schools.

EXHIBITIONS AND WORKS IN MUSEUMS

- June 1998: Photographic Exhibition: "*Tell Barri (Kabat), 5000 anni di storia*", in collaboration with the Universities of Florence and Naples (Napoli - Teatro S. Carlo).

- February 1999: Photographic Exhibition: "*Tell Barri (Kabat), 5000 anni di storia*", in collaboration with the Universities of Florence and Naples (Firenze - Museo Archeologico Nazionale).
- 2002: Project for young researcher funded by the Department of Antiquity "G. Pasquali" - Faculty of Letters and Philosophy – University of Florence:
"1933, Kakzu (Iraq): il primo scavo archeologico italiano in Mesopotamia. Progetto di informatizzazione e digitalizzazione dei dati relativi ai materiali scavati e conservati nei Musei di Firenze e Baghdad". Kakzu (Iraq): the first Italian Archaeological Excavation in Mesopotamia. Project of computerization and digitalization of the data regarding the materials excavated and stored in the Museums of Florence and Baghdad).
- Since July 2006, assistant curator of the *Mesopotamian and Anatolian Collections* of the *National Archaeological Museum of Florence*. Collections are composed by seals, figurines, pottery and metal objects.
- February 2007. Exhibition: "*Paolo Emilio Pecorella. 25 anni di attività a Tell Barri (Kabat)*", in collaboration with the University of Naples and the General Direction of the Antiquities and Museums of Syria (Damascus – National Archaeological Museum).
- 1 December 2007 – 4 May 2008. Exhibition: "*Egeo, Cipro, Siria e Mesopotamia. Dal collezionismo allo scavo archeologico. In onore di Paolo Emilio Pecorella*", in collaboration with the National Archaeological Museum of Florence, the Italian Archaeological Mission at Tell Barri (Syria) and the General Direction of the Antiquities and Museums of Syria.

PUBLICATIONS

A. Peruzzetto, S. Valentini, "I sondaggi recenti nel Temenos di Hatra", in *TOPOI* 10/1 (2000), pp. 159-178.

S. Valentini, "Alcune considerazioni sugli ipogei paleobabilonesi rinvenuti a Tell Barri/Kahat", in *Orient Express* 3/Eté (2001), pp. 82-85.

S. Valentini, "Gli ipogei funerari in Mesopotamia: aspetti di tecnologia ed evoluzione della copertura a volta, in riferimento agli esempi di Tell Barri/Kahat, Siria), in *Bollettino degli Ingegneri* n°1/2 (2002), pp. 6-19.

S. Valentini, "Alcune note sui sostegni bicromi rinvenuti nella Giazira", in *Orient-Express* 3/Eté (2003), pp. 74-79.

S. Valentini, "Le pratiche e l'ideologia funeraria a Tell Barri/Kahat durante il Bronzo Medio, in relazione all'area siro-mesopotamica settentrionale", in *Studi Micenei ed Egeo-Anatolici* XLV/2 (2003), pp. 273-305.

S. Valentini, "La tecnologia della volta impiegata a Tell Barri negli ipogei funerari del Bronzo Medio", in *Atti del I Convegno nazionale degli studenti di archeologia (23-25 maggio 2003)*, Istituto Universitario Orientale (Napoli), www.iuo.it/centri/cisa/index.htm (published on line).

S. Valentini, "Değirmentepe (Malatya) / Habibuğarı / Mamolu Höyüğü / Piroit Höyük / Emsiyetepe", in S. Anastasio, M. Lebeau & M. Sauvage, with a contribution by A. Pruss, *Atlas of Preclassical Upper Mesopotamia (=Subartu XIII)*, Turnhout: Brepols 2004, pp. 75, 102, 134, 218, 246.

S. Valentini, "La ceramica del III millennio dell'Area G di Tell Barri", in P. E. Pecorella (a cura di), *Tell Barri/Kabat. La campagna del 2002*, Firenze 2005, pp. 85-90.

- E. Galli, S. Valentini, “The Death Cult in the Middle Bronze Age Mesopotamia. Interpretation of the Archaeological Evidence through the Cuneiform Text: a Trial Approach”, in *Orient-Express* 2 (2006), pp. 57-61.
- N. Laneri, A. D’Agostino, M. Schwartz, S. Valentini, and G. Pappalardo, “A preliminary report of the archaeological excavations at Hirbemerdon Tepe, southeastern Turkey, 2005”, in *Anatolica* 32 (2006), pp. 153-188.
- N. Laneri, A. D’Agostino, S. Valentini, “Alla ricerca dei Hurriti. Scavi a Hirbemerdon Tepe”, in *Archeologia Viva* 118 (Luglio/Agosto 2006), pp. 54-59.
- S. Valentini, “Communal Places of Worship in Jezirah during the EJ II-IIIa period (2750-2550 BC)”, in Proceedings of the International Symposium, Cult and sanctuary through the ages (From the Bronze Age to the Late Antiquity). (□ astá-Paperní□ ka, Slovakia 16-19 November 2007), in *ANODOS* 6-7 (2006-2007), pp. 475-486.
- S. Valentini, “Le antichità mesopotamiche e anatoliche”, in M. C. Guidotti, F. Lo Schiavo and R. Pierobon Benoit, *Egeo, Cipro, Siria e Mesopotamia. Dal collezionismo allo scavo archeologico. In onore di Paolo Emilio Pecorella (Catalogue of the exhibition)*, Livorno: Sillabe 2007, pp. 198-215.
- N. Laneri, S. Valentini and A. D’Agostino, “Hirbemerdon Tepe: a late third to mid second millennium BC settlement of the upper Tigris valley”, in *Anatolian Studies* 57 (2007), pp. 77-86.
- N. Laneri, M. Schwartz, J. Ur, S. Valentini, A. D’Agostino, R. Berthon, and M.M. Halde, “The Hirbemerdon Tepe Archaeological Project 2006-2007: A Preliminary Report on the Middle Bronze Age ‘architectural complex’ and the Survey of the Site Catchment Area”, in *Anatolica* 34 (2008), pp. 177-239.
- S. Valentini, “Ninivite 5 Pottery from Tell Barri in Jezirah”, in H. Kühne, R. M. Czichon, and F. J. Kreppner (eds.), *Proceedings of the 4th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (29 March-3 April 2004, Freie Universität Berlin), Volume 2: Social and Cultural Transformation: The Archaeology of Transitional Periods and Dark Ages. Excavations Reports*, Wiesbaden: Harrasowitz Verlag 2008, pp. 259-272.
- S. Valentini, “Tell Barri: Tendenze evolutive nella ceramica del Protodinastico”, in R. Pierobon Benoit (a cura di), *Tell Barri - Storia di un insediamento antico tra Oriente e Occidente. Atti del convegno di Napoli (24-25 Novembre 2005)*, in *La Parola del Passato*, vol LXIII (2008) – Fascicolo I-IV (CCCLVIII-CCCLXI della serie), pp. 203-219.
- S. Valentini, “The Jezirah Burnished Ware”, in *Antiguo Oriente*, Volumen 6 (2008), pp. 25-38.
- S. Valentini, “Ritual Objects in the “rural shrines” at Tell Barri, in the Khabur region, during the Ninevite 5 period”, in J. M. Córdoba, M. Molist, M. Carmen Pérez, I Rubio, S. Martínez (eds.), *Proceedings of the 5th International Congress on the Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (Madrid, 3-8 Aprile 2006)*, Madrid: Centro Superior de Estudios sobre el Oriente Próximo y Egipto 2008, pp. 345-357.
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