

#BurdenEU webinar

# Activities and achievements of the Italian Global Burden of Disease Initiative

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## The experience of GBD Italian Cardiovascular Diseases Collaborators: how we can work together to use GBD data efficiently

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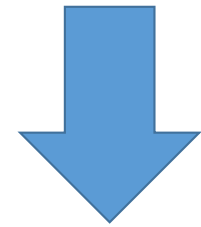
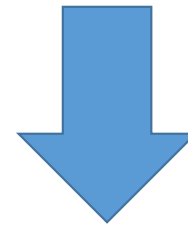
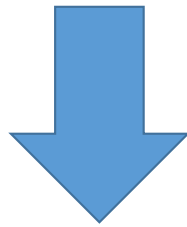
# Creation of GBD Italian Cardiovascular Diseases Collaborators group



March 2019

GBD Italian collaborators  
(n=55/60 members)

Call for Collaborator-Led Publications within Italian initiative



GBD Italian  
neurological diseases  
collaborators

GBD Italian tumor  
collaborators

GBD Italian CVDs  
collaborators

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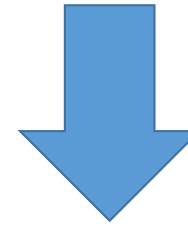
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March-April 2019

GBD Italian CVDs  
collaborators

Application to be part of the group open to all  
members

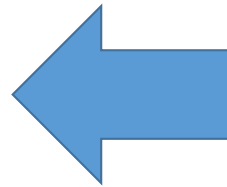


Selection of leading group (5 members) based on:

- Experience in CVDs studies,
- Experience in project management,
- Motivation,

- Possibility of good interaction with other members of the leading group.

Selection of  
group coordinator

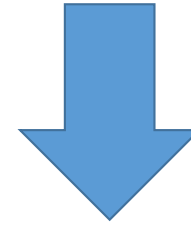


# Definition of first project aims

April-may 2019

GBD Italian CVDs  
collaborators

Review of GBD papers on CVDs and studies on  
Italian CVDs Burden



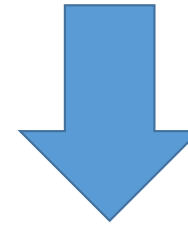
For Italy, sparse data are available about the incidence and prevalence of major CVDs despite the long tradition of epidemiological studies in the country. Even more fragmented is the information for other CVDs, including: abdominal aortic aneurysms, cardiomyopathy, heart failure and atrial-fibrillation.

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April-may 2019

GBD Italian CVDs  
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Review of GBD paper published on CVDs and study  
in the CVDs Italian Burden



Aim:  
proposed by the  
leading group and  
reviewed and validated  
by all group members

Using the GBD estimates, this study aimed to fill the gap  
of knowledge on the global Italian estimates of CVD  
prevalence, mortality and DALYs and their changes from  
1990 to 2017.

Furthermore, the CVD DALYs burden during this time  
frame in Italy was compared to that of the other European  
countries, using the GBD standardized approach that  
makes estimates across countries comparable.

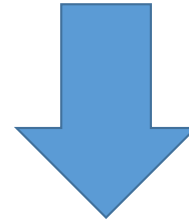
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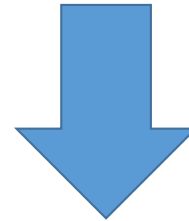
May-June 2019

GBD Italian CVDs  
collaborators

Review of GBD papers published on CVDs



Definition of structure and data by leading group



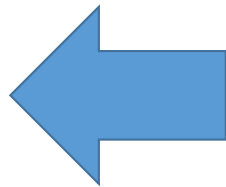
Reviewed and approval by all group members

# Draft the manuscript

June-Dec 2019

**GBD Italian CVDs  
collaborators**

Review by IHME  
leading group  
of CVDs projects



- **Selection of target journal**
- **Task definition and selection of leading group member for each task:**
  - Data extraction and review
  - Creation of Figures and tables
    - Draft of methods section
    - Draft of results section
  - Draft of introduction and discussion
- **Fist draft share with all members for first revision**
- **Revision of the first draft based on comments received and second draft share for revision and final approval.**

# First achievement by GBD Italian CVDs collaborators



Full research report

European Journal of  
**Preventive  
Cardiology**



## **Trends in cardiovascular diseases burden and vascular risk factors in Italy: The Global Burden of Disease study 1990–2017**

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All the work done using GBD data for specific Italian paper gave the possibility to review the data more critically and in more details.

This open the possibility to interact with IHME to improve the Italian GBD estimates based on some discrepancy identified compare to other sources (National institutions, other research projects, etc.)



# After the first project: Regional and National GBD CVDs estimation review



January 2020, Rome

GBD Italian collaborators  
(n=75/80 members)

## Technical Workshop

Italian GBD Initiative: working groups for the evaluation of preliminary regional GBD 2019 estimates



### Working groups on main Diseases

- Cancer
- **Cardiovascular diseases**
- Neuological Diseases
- Renal Diseases
- Maternal and Child Health

### Working groups on Risk factors

- Diabetes
- Cardiovascular diseases
- Occupational Helath
- Alcohol and smoke
- Nutritional risk factors
- Environmental exposures

GBD Italian collaborators voluntarily took part to each groups in relation to expertise.

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## Technical Workshop (January 2020, Rome)

Italian GBD Initiative: working groups for the evaluation of preliminary regional GBD 2019 estimates

During working groups, members discussed their preliminary evaluation of Regional GBD 2019 estimates and scheduled future work with a common evaluation approach.



Each group shared preliminary results of the evaluation to other groups for discussion. Results were then reported to IHME

# After the first project: Regional and National GBD CVDs estimation review



## CVDs group work

### Regional Estimates Comparison

#### - CVDs Mortality

Estimates for calendar years 2010 and 2019 (all ages, men and women separately, for Italy and its subregions) were compared with the national official statistics provided by the Italian National Institute of Statistics (ISTAT) - years 2010 and 2017, and by the WHO for year 2010.

Comparison was done for all CVD as a whole, stroke and Ischemic Heart Diseases subcategories.

#### - CVDs Incidence.

No official data on incidence in the time period considered were available for comparison. We used studies on CVDs Incidence and official healthcare databases from one Italian region.

Main results for the Stroke subgroup were also shared with the neurological group.

# After the first project: Regional and National GBD CVDs estimation review



## CVDs group work

### Final Report

Discrepancies between regional Italian statistics and GBD estimates were collected in a report.

The report was then sent to IHME.

### Issues Discussion

We had an open discussion with IHME members to resolve or understand all issues arising in our report.



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