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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2020 – Present – Freelance agronomist, plant pathologist and plant pests control specialist working with (historical gardens, ornamental and forestry nurseries, hippodromes and sport fields).
- 2003-2020 – Mycologist, Phytosanitary Service Laboratory, Lombardy Region, Italy
- 2001-2003 – Researcher, Fondazione Minoprio, Vertemate con Minoprio (CO), Italy

EDUCATION

- 1996-2001 – Master's degree in plant protection, University of Milan, Milan, Italy

SCIENTIFIC INTERESTS

- Identification and management of emerging pests and diseases in ornamental plants, in gardens and nurseries
- Integrated and biological pest and disease management
- Pest and diseases monitoring in historical gardens, ornamental and forestry nurseries, and sport facilities.

PUBLICATIONS

- Andrea Taddei, **Andrea Tantardini**, Keitaro Eda (2019). "First record of azalea bollworm, *Earias roseifera* (Lepidoptera:Nolidae) in Europe". Eur. J. Entomolol. 116:235-239, 2019.
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- Cavagna B., Saracchi M., **Tantardini A.** (2008). "Field survey, morphology and genetics of *Valsa ceratosperma* in a pear orchard in Lombardy, northern Italy". 9th International Congress of Plant pathology" - ICCP 2008 - Torino 25/08/2008
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- **Tantardini A.**, et al. (2004). "First report of *Discula destructiva* on ornamental dogwood in Lombardia". *Atti XI Congresso Nazionale SIPaV 2004*. Abstract n.108: 77