

**Table 2.** Comparison between the Dropout group (DRO) and the Non-Dropout group (NODRO) (t-test) on STIPO variables and distribution of neurotic and borderline subjects within the two groups.

<b>Variables</b>	<b>DOG</b>	<b>NODOG</b>	<b>Test</b>
IDENTITY investimenti	3.56	2.64	t = - 2.392, df = 38, p < .05
ID coerenza e continuità	3.17	2.36	t = - 2.771, df = 38, p < .005
ID autovalutazione	3.06	2.73	n.s.
ID senso degli altri	3.44	3	n.s.
ID total	3.56	3.18	n.s.
Quality of OBJECT RELATIONS	2.94	2.86	n.s.
REL intime e sessuali	2.94	2.5	n.s.
REL modello operativo interno	2.55	3	n.s.
REL total	2.81	3.39	n.s.
PRIMITIVE DEFENSES	3.39	3.14	n.s.
ADAPTIVE COPING vs CHARACTER RIGIDITY	3.67	3.18	n.s.
Quality of AGGRESSION autodiretta	3.22	3.68	n.s.
Quality of AGGRESSION eterodiretta	3.06	2.86	n.s.
AGG total	3.56	3.32	n.s.
MORAL VALUES	3.39	2.86	n.s.
REALITY TESTING	1.68	1.72	n.s.
<i>neurotic</i> <i>borderline</i>	2 16	11 11	$\chi^2 = 6.825, df = , p < .05$