RECAGE observational study

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The treatment of Behavioural and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia (BPSD) continue to raise difficult problems. Both the pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic therapies often fail to achieve the expected results. The aim of this study is to assess the short- and long-term efficacy of a quite novel intervention, the Special Care Unit for patients with BPSD (SCU-B) as well as its cost-effectiveness.

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Respectful Caring for the Agitated Elderly: Observational Study to Improve the Living Situation of People with Dementia Presenting Behavioral Disturbances

We are looking for participants to take part in a three-year observational study (funded by the European Union’s Horizon 2020 research and innovation program). This European project aims to improve the care of people with dementia presenting disease-related behavioral disturbances or so-called behavioral and psychological symptoms of dementia (BPSD). To do so, this study will examine whether clinical centers endowed with a special medical care unit for patients with BPSD (SCU-B) compared to those without a SCU-B convers an added value to said patients.

Whom are we looking for?
Persons diagnosed with dementia that:
- show behavioral disturbances such as restlessness, apathy, depression, aggressivity or irritability
- live at home or in an assisted living facility
- have a caregiver that can accompany them to study visits

What does a study participation provide you with?
- During a period of three years, you will receive regular follow-up examinations every six months
- Total duration of each study visits: three hours
- Content of the study visits: questionnaires regarding your cognitive and physical health
- Individual benefits: on-going examination of current cognitive abilities
- Potential benefits to the general public: improve the clinical care of persons with dementia presenting behavioral disturbances

If you or someone you know might be interested in participating, please contact us for further information!

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