



INTERDEM MEMBERS – BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE



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PROFILE OF MEMBER:

AREAS OF EXPERTISE: health (services), culture sensitive care, dementia, (neuro)psychology, psychometric validation, measurement scales/diagnostics, geriatric, intercultural research, culture sensitive education, research, healthcare

KEY PUBLICATIONS (Max. 5):

1. Parlevliet J. L., Uysal-Bozkir Ö., Goudsmit M., van Campen J. P., Kok R. M., ter Riet G., Schmand B., and de Rooij S. E. (2016) Prevalence of mild cognitive impairment and dementia in older non-western immigrants in the Netherlands: a cross-sectional study. *Int J Geriatr Psychiatry*, 31: 1040– 1049. DOI: 10.1002/gps.4417.
2. Duran-Kıraç G., Uysal-Bozkir Ö., Uittenbroek R., van Hout H., Broese van Groenou M.I. (2022). Accessibility of health care experienced by persons with dementia from ethnic minority groups and formal and informal caregivers: A scoping review of European literature. *Dementia* (London). 21(2):677-700. DOI: 10.1177/14713012211055307.
3. Vissenberg R., Uysal O, Goudsmit M., van Campen J., Buurman-van Es B. (2018) Barriers in providing primary care for immigrant patients with dementia: GPs' perspectives. *BJGP Open*; 2 (4): bjgpopen18X101610. DOI: 10.3399/bjgpopen18X101610.
4. Goudsmit M., Uysal-Bozkir Ö., Parlevliet J. L., van Campen J. P., de Rooij S. E., & Schmand B. (2017). The Cross-Cultural Dementia Screening (CCD): A new neuropsychological screening instrument for dementia in elderly immigrants. *Journal of clinical and experimental neuropsychology*, 39(2), 163–172. DOI: 10.1080/13803395.2016.1209464
5. Uysal-Bozkir Ö. & Franzen S. & Goudsmit M. (2022). Approach to Neuropsychological Assessment of Moroccan Patients in the Netherlands. DOI:10.4324/9781003051862-45.

RELEVANT RESEARCH ACTIVITY:

- 2022 Start - A voice for persons with dementia and informal caregivers: a discrete choice experiment to determine drivers to keep persons with dementia at home for as long as possible. Focus subpopulation Immigrants in the Netherlands. Role: Project member, PI: Janet MacNeil Vroomen.
- 2022 Start - Consortium SPREAD+ (Sustainable and PeRsonalisEd Advances in Dementia care). PI's: Marjolein de Vugt, Debby Gerritsen, Sytse Zuidema, Simone de Bruin. WorkPackage 6 (WP), which focusses on intersectionality and diversity as a cross project theme for all work packages. There is input from the Identification, Recognition, and Risk Reduction of Dementia from an Intersectionality Perspective (IRIS*) consortium. Role: member of WP6 and IRIS. WP-lead: Carolien Smits (Pharos).
- 2019 Finished - ZonMw – Memorabel project 'Niet-westerse migranten met dementie: hoe bereiken we ze met passende zorg?'. Role: PostDoc, PI: B. Buurman-van Es. <https://www.huisarts-migrant.nl/inhoud/uploads/2016/07/Zorgpad-migranten-met-dementie.pdf>
- 2016 Finished - PhD Thesis 'Health status of older migrants in the Netherlands: Cross-cultural validation of health scales'. Universiteit van Amsterdam. Supervisors: B.A. Schmand and S.E.J.A. de Rooij.

CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS/ONGOING PROJECT TITLE:

Currently, I am conducting various research activities and making my contributions to research projects of fellow researchers, all working in the field around dementia and/or care of low-literate elderly (with migration background).

In 2019, we gave an overview of the Healthcare pathway for older migrants with dementia. In different stages of dementia there are issues to tackle. Healthcare professionals (in primary care) partly have the resources, but the

offer is not always clear for a professional, but also not for care users. Partly it is necessary to work on the competencies of professionals working in the field of dementia care. When the diagnosis, often at a later stage is clearer, a phase follows where we see that the use of professional care is much lower than among native elderly. These patients and their caregivers experience barriers to care and support and has other preferences. Everyone needs to receive the right type and quality of care, and support for caregivers.

With the aging population, and considering aging in place, I aim to work on the realizability and feasibility of projects to outcomes that can be integrated into care, education and research.

HOW DO YOU INTEND TO CONTRIBUTE TO INTERDEM:

I would like to share my expertise is in the field of working with specific target groups, cross-cultural research, healthcare, and offer my knowledge and insights about adaptation and validation of measuring instrument for elderly people with limited health literacy, different language, and cultural background.

The upcoming years and in collaboration with others, including my (professional) network, I could advance my expertise in this field by joining forces with other colleagues in the field to work on the knowledge gaps around dementia in those with limited health literacy migrants.