

INTERDEM MEMBERS – BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE



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PRESENT POSITION (e.g. Director of.....): 1. Health care psychologist 2. Program leader young-onset dementia research program

HIGHEST ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION (e.g. PhD, MD etc.): PhD

PROFILE OF MEMBER:

As a senior researcher and program leader at the Radboud University Medical Center, Christian Bakker is involved in several research projects on dementia, health care services and (psychosocial) interventions in dementia. He supervises several PhD's on dementia research in both people with dementia and their caregivers living in the community as well as families in which the person with dementia is institutionalized in a long-term care facility. As a clinician he is involved as a psychologist and program manager at the Centre for Specialized care in Young-onset Dementia of the Groenhuysen care group in Roosendaal in the Netherlands. Christian Bakker is also board member of the Dutch Knowledge Centre on Young-onset Dementia and chairs the scientific board of the Knowledge Centre. Furthermore, he is an active member of the International Psychogeriatric Association (IPA).

AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

1. Young-onset dementia
2. Neuropsychiatric symptoms in dementia
3. Psychosocial interventions for the management of neuropsychiatric symptoms in dementia
4. Neuropsychological assessment and psychological treatment in frail elderly and people with dementia.
5. Psychosocial support for caregivers of people with dementia
6. Health care services and care programmes for people with dementia

KEY PUBLICATIONS (Maximum 5):

1. **Bakker C**, de Vugt ME, van Vliet D, Verhey FR, Pijnenburg YA, Vernooij-Dassen MJ, et al. Predictors of the time to institutionalization in young- versus late-onset dementia: results from the Needs in Young Onset Dementia (NeedYD) study. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*. 2013;14(4):248-53.
2. **Bakker C**, de Vugt ME, van Vliet D, Verhey FR, Pijnenburg YA, Vernooij-Dassen MJ, et al. The relationship between unmet care needs in young-onset dementia and the course of neuropsychiatric symptoms: a two-year follow-up study. *International psychogeriatrics / IPA*. 2013:1-10.
3. **Bakker C**, de Vugt ME, van Vliet D, Verhey FR, Pijnenburg YA, Vernooij-Dassen MJ, et al. The Use of Formal and Informal Care in Early Onset Dementia: Results From the NeedYD Study. *The American journal of geriatric psychiatry : official journal of the American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry*. 2012.
4. Gerritsen AA, **Bakker C**, Verhey FR, de Vugt ME, Melis RJ, Koopmans RT, et al. Prevalence of Comorbidity in Patients With Young-Onset Alzheimer Disease Compared With Late-Onset: A Comparative Cohort Study. *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association*. 2016.
5. Koopmans RT, Reinders R, van Vliet D, Verhey FR, de Vugt ME, Bor H, **Bakker C**. Prevalence and correlates of psychotropic drug use in community-dwelling people with young-onset dementia: the NeedYD-study. *International psychogeriatrics / IPA*. 2014:1-7.

RELEVANT RESEARCH ACTIVITY:

Please indicate for past 5 years only (i) Grants Awarded: Names of Investigators; Years; Title of Project; name of awarding agency (ii) PhD and other projects: Title, start or completed date.

1. The course and clinical characteristics, in particular care needs and neuropsychiatric symptoms in young-onset dementia (NeedYD-II study) 2014-2018
2. The development and clinical trial of a care program for the management of neuropsychiatric symptoms in young-onset dementia (Beyond-II study) 2015 – 2017
3. The development and clinical trial of a web-based intervention for caregivers of people with young-onset dementia (Rhapsody Study) 2014 – 2017 and implementation 2018 – 2019
4. The development and clinical trial of an intervention aimed at empowering people with young-onset dementia in retaining a sense of usefulness in everyday life (SPANKRACHT I and SPANKRACHT II project) 2014 – 2018
5. Palliative care in young-onset dementia (Care4youngdem project) 2016 – 2022
6. Implementation of the young-onset dementia care standard in the Netherlands, the development of an e-health intervention for family members of a person with young-onset dementia and educational programs for health care professionals involved in the support of people with young-onset dementia (UNICITY-project) 2017 - 2021
7. Prevalence of young-onset dementia, early and timely recognition of dementia in the young and access to care (PRECODE-study) 2018 – 2022

CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS/ONGOING PROJECT TITLE:

See relevant research activity