

INTERDEM Academy Annual publication award 2024-2025



Rules and regulations:

- Participation is open for early-stage researchers who are a member of INTERDEM Academy. We define early-stage researcher for this competition as **current PhD students, post docs or other position**, who are at a **maximum of 3 years after receiving their degree** (please provide us with the date of approval of PhD, if applicable). *We are happy to take career gaps/other circumstances into account; an exception on this criterium can be discussed with and granted by the INTERDEM Academy coordinating center.*
- Only **one article** of which the early-stage researcher is **first author** can be sent in.
- Articles should be published or accepted for publication in the year prior to the call (*January 2024 until December 2024*). If it concerns a not yet published article, **proof** regarding the **acceptation by the journal** should be sent with.
- Along with the manuscript, a **motivation letter of 500 words** max, arguing how this article is in line with the INTERDEM mission, needs to be submitted. Additionally, we ask you to include **some specification on your individual role** in the creation and realization of the article (e.g., research idea, execution, writing process, follow-up and dissemination). This motivation letter will strongly guide the final judging. Please note that the following aspects will be taken into consideration by our jury, and therefore should be addressed to some extent in your letter:
 - Originality of your presented work/innovational aspects
 - Involvement of PwD and their supporters
 - Relevance/potential impact on PwD and their supporters
 - Theoretical importance
 - Adequate methodology and statistics
 - Topic in line with INTERDEM mission*
- The articles will be independently reviewed by a jury (*INTERDEM and Academy members from different centers*). Based on detailed jury assessments according to the criteria mentioned above, a top three will be selected, from which a winner will be chosen and two runner ups. The winner will receive a €1000, - prize, and the two runners-up will each receive €500, -. This money is meant for a course/conference/training to support your careerdevelopment. After allocation, a plan needs to be proposed, and approved by the Academy coordinating center. Reimbursement will be based on declaration of actual costs.
- The top three will be asked to provide a **blog** (in English) about their article, to be published on the INTERDEM website. The winner will also be invited to give a **short presentation** during the next INTERDEM meeting prior to the next annual Alzheimer Europe Conference (6-8 October, Bologna, Italy).



Timeline 2024-2025	
February 18, 2025	Call for articles 2024/2025 announced
April 2, 2025	Deadline for submission (6pm CET)
June 2025	The winner and the two runners-up will be informed via email
Presumably 6th of October 2025	Presentation of winning article at annual INTERDEM meeting prior to the next annual Alzheimer Europe Conference

* To what extent is this described research in line with the mission of INTERDEM?

(for emphasized INTERDEM research topics, see for instance the 2019 INTERDEM manifesto)

1. Research on Early, Timely and Quality Psychosocial Interventions in Dementia
2. To actively disseminate this and enhance practice, policy and the quality of life of people with dementia and their supporters, across Europe.
3. To place people with dementia and their supporters at the center of European research and practice, by actively involving them in developing these activities.