

Laboratory of Neurodegenerative Diseases

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Abstract

Research, as we all know is the only way for new Knowledge. We have run many research projects in Greece. I am going to present the recent ones in order to find new collaborators for future applications. European Projects: 1. "How to best meet the needs of people with dementia with severe behavioral disturbances. Toward a respectful and cost-effective model" – RECAGE" The RECAGE project will tackle one of the most challenging problem arising during the clinical course of dementia: the so-called Behavioral and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia (BPSD). European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation program. <http://www.recageproject.eu/> 2. "A global ecosystem for the independent and healthy living of elder people with mild cognitive impairments" (ehcoBUTLER). Pilot-based, multidisciplinary, collaborative study designed to test the socio-economic benefits from the deployment of several innovative and user led ICT pilot projects based on different business models in order to be able to translate promising results into scalable practice across Europe. <https://cordis.europa.eu/project/id/643566> 3. "Remote Assessment of Disease and Relapse- Alzheimer's Disease" (RADAR-AD). A European project to assess the use of Remote Monitoring Technology in detection of impairments in functional components of tasks of daily living that occurred below the threshold of clinical scale detection or disability questionnaires in patients in various stages of AD. <https://www.radar-ad.org/> 4. "Story2remember: Using Drama and Storytelling in Dementia Care" An innovative Erasmus+ project that proposes a methodology based on creative drama and storytelling, by creating a training program for health care professionals in Dementia care settings. Story2remember aims to improve quality of life of both Patients with Dementia (PwD) and their caregivers, to improve health care professionals' skills, to increase social inclusion of PwD and to raise social awareness on dementia issue. <https://story2remember.eu/> 5. "Intergenerational CONtact between students and people with Dementia through CreaTive education". The iCONNECT project is comprised from six European Organizations/ Institutions, is funded by the Erasmus+ funding program (KA2 - Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices) and focuses on innovative practices in supporting the social engagement of Higher Educational Institutions in promoting via intercultural and intergenerational support the social inclusion of older people with dementia. <https://www.iconnectdementia.eu/>.

Biography:

Dr. Magda Tsolaki, MD, PhD, was born in Thessaloniki, Greece in 1954 and has spent most of her time there. She has been a Professor of Neurology since 2010, a Neuropsychiatrist since 1983 and she has worked at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki since 1982, as well as at the 3rd Department of Neurology of Aristotle University of Thessaloniki since 1988. She has been the main author/co-author of 48 Books, has participated with 506 abstracts in Greek Conferences, with 403 abstracts in English International or European Conferences, is the first author/co-author of 285 papers in Greek journals, and in 376 international journals -310 in PubMed with Impact Factor=1134.845, h-index=52, with more than 10.445 citations-. She has been a reviewer for Conferences and Journals (261) and has organized 27 national conferences on the AD and five international ones. She was one of the three or seven advisory members for 18 doctoral theses-completed, has created the Greek Alzheimer Association in 1995 and the Greek Federation of Alzheimer's disease in 2007 - she is also the Chair of this Federation. In this capacity, she has given 310 lectures throughout Greece, as well as on TV and radio. She has participated in 40 research programmes and 37 clinical trials. In total, she has received 48 awards..

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