

Belgian Ageing Studies

<https://www.neurodegenerationresearch.eu/cohort/belgian-ageing-studies/>

Cohort Acronym

BAS

Cohort type

General population-based cohort

Disease

Participant type

No diagnosis

Profile

Recruitment Period 2006 - present

Sample size at start or planned sample size if still recruiting

Estimated Current Sample Size

Age at Recruitment >60

Gender Male and Female

Abstract

The Belgian Ageing Studies project (BAS) was developed by researchers at the Free University of Brussels (Vrije Universiteit Brussel) and University College Ghent (Hogeschool Gent). Established in the early 2000s, the BAS team engages in the scientific study of the social aspects of ageing.

The aim of the research programme of the Belgian Ageing Studies is to:

1. Provide an instrument to measure the living conditions and quality of life of older people in Belgian municipalities.
2. Promote evidence-based policy at the local level by providing input and mobilizing knowledge for planning and inclusive policy programmes.
3. Support the process of creating age-friendly communities.
4. Examine trends in particular municipalities by conducting follow-up studies.

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Country Belgian

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Funders (Core support)

Variables Collected

Brain related measures:

Mental health

Functional rating:

N/A

Anthropometric:

N/A

Physical:

Hearing and Vision

Biological samples:

N/A

Genotyping:

N/A

Brain imaging:

N/A

Brain banking:

N/A

Lifestyle:

Physical activity

Socio-economic:

Education, Ethnic group, Family circumstances, Housing and accommodation, Income and finances, Informal support, Marital status, Occupation and employment, Unpaid care

Health service utilisation:

Formal health and social care service utilisation including private care