

Cognitive Function and Ageing Studies Wales

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Cohort Acronym

CFAS Wales

Cohort type

General population-based cohort

Disease

Alzheimer's disease, Dementia (unclassified), Mild cognitive impairment (MCI), Parkinson's disease

Participant type

No diagnosis

Profile

Recruitment Period 2011

Sample size at start or planned sample size if still recruiting 3500

Estimated Current Sample Size 0 to 4,999

Age at Recruitment >65

Gender Male and Female

Abstract

CFAS Wales aims to interview a representative sample of 3,750 people aged 65 and over in two areas in Wales (Gwynedd and Swansea). Using established and standardised techniques it will collect data that will enable the investigation of cognitive impairment, depression, physical disability and healthy active life expectancy for the whole group and within social groups. It will provide a foundation for other collaborative studies that investigate biomarkers and other early indications of risk of cognitive decline, such as imaging. It will investigate factors that may delay the onset of dementia, specifically focussing on the role of bilingualism and social networks. As the participants reside in a bilingual area this is a key opportunity.

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Variables Collected

Brain related measures:

Behaviour, Cognitive function, Mental health, Neurological

Functional rating:

Individual physiological, Individual psychological

Anthropometric:

Weight

Physical:

Cardiovascular, Hearing and Vision, Musculoskeletal, Reproductive, Respiratory

Biological samples:

Saliva

Genotyping:

N/A

Brain imaging:

N/A

Brain banking:

N/A

Lifestyle:

Alcohol, Dietary habits, Physical activity, Smoking

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