

# Dementia and interaction – intersections between research and communication training

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Dementia and interaction - intersections between research and communication training

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**Research Abstract**

Aging is a growing challenge in modern western societies where the life expectancy has been

steadily increasing. Aging is related to the occurrence of dementias, affecting various cognitive areas, e.g. language. The project Dementia and interaction – Intersections of research and communication training (1.8.2013–31.7.2018) studies interaction patterns in mono- and multilingual encounters between carers and elderly with dementia in Finland. Research data consist of video recorded interactions and field notes from three group homes. The project combines methods of conversation analysis and ethnography. The project includes two sub-projects: (1) Changing communication in severe dementia and (2) Multilingualism in dementia care. The project provides new theoretical knowledge about dementia and interaction, and is applicable in the field of nursing and welfare.

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