

# IMPROVE STUDY RECRUITMENT BY USING THE JOIN DEMENTIA RESEARCH SERVICE

## What is Join Dementia Research?

Join Dementia Research is an easy-to-use service with more than 50,000 volunteers registered to take part in dementia research. The service can put you in touch with volunteers across the country, with or without a dementia diagnosis who are interested in taking part.

## How can the service help me as a researcher?

Join Dementia Research has thousands of registered volunteers who want to be involved in dementia research. By adding your study to the service, you can find potential participants who match to your eligibility criteria.

The service helps researchers to improve study recruitment, enabling studies to be delivered on time and to target.

## HOW CAN I ADD MY STUDY?

All ethically approved dementia studies from across the UK that are suitable to recruit from a register, can use the Join Dementia Research service. This includes commercial companies and even studies that are already open can be added.

Studies on the NIHR Clinical Research Network (CRN) Portfolio are routinely considered for inclusion on Join Dementia Research as part of the CRN set-up process.

If your study is not on the NIHR CRN Portfolio and you would like to use the service, please complete our study application form: [bit.ly/study-application-form](https://bit.ly/study-application-form)

If you'd like to discuss your study, email us at [jdr.support@nihr.ac.uk](mailto:jdr.support@nihr.ac.uk)


### Want to find out more?

There's lots of information on our website.

Have a look at our page for researchers at [bit.ly/researcher-information](https://bit.ly/researcher-information)

Alternatively, you can get in touch with us at [jdr.support@nihr.ac.uk](mailto:jdr.support@nihr.ac.uk)

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# THOUSANDS OF VOLUNTEERS ARE READY TO TAKE PART IN YOUR RESEARCH



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TO JOIN DEMENTIA  
RESEARCH AND FIND  
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PARTICIPANTS**

## **YOUR QUESTIONS**



### **What information will I be able to see?**

Authorised researchers will see a list of registered volunteers who match to their basic study criteria. This will include demographic and basic medical information (such as dementia diagnosis and medication). You will also be able to see if a volunteer is interested in your study, if they are involved in another study, and how they prefer to be contacted (i.e. by email, telephone).

As an authorised researcher of Join Dementia Research you can use the service to assess the feasibility of a possible study, you will see the number of Join Dementia Research registered volunteers in particular geographical areas. You can filter using anonymised unidentifiable demographic data (e.g. age, diagnosis) and other study criteria.

### **What support and training is available?**

The Join Dementia Research team are available to support you during the application process and there is lots of information on our website.

**Visit:** [bit.ly/researcher-information](https://bit.ly/researcher-information)

If you are applying for your study to use Join Dementia Research, you will need to complete our online training course in order to gain access to the volunteer database.

## **WHY USE JOIN DEMENTIA RESEARCH?**

“ Recruiting through the Join Dementia Research service enabled us to access the attitudes and opinions of over 3,000 people, many of whom had been personally affected by dementia. The process was relatively easy and the support was first-rate.

**Professor Richard Cheston**  
University of the West of England

“ Nearly half of the people on our Alzheimer's drug study were recruited through Join Dementia Research.

**Dr Penny Foulds**  
Dementia Researcher, MAC Clinical Research

“ Join Dementia Research has enabled me to work with volunteers based throughout the whole of the UK- something which would have been impossible for me to do on my own.

**Anne-Marie Greenaway**  
PhD student