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Study

Self-Reported Hearing Aid Use and Risk of Incident Dementia

Age-related hearing loss is a risk factor for developing dementia, and a research letter published in JAMA Neurology found that using hearing aids could reduce this risk.

Webinars

World Alzheimer's Report 2025 launch

Join ADI for the annual launch of the World Alzheimer Report on 18 September 2025. This year is focusing on the essential, yet often overlooked, area of dementia rehabilitation.

Social care for young onset dementia: raising social workers' awareness

This webinar taking place on Wednesday 15th October 2025 from 12.30-1.30pm will introduce a resource that has been co-produced to improve social workers' understanding of young onset dementia, so that they are in a better position to respond effectively to those living with or supporting someone with the condition.

Social care for young onset dementia: the financial impact

This webinar taking place on Wednesday 19th November 2025 from 12.30-1.30pm will highlight the role of social care in enabling families affected by young onset dementia to plan for and cope with the financial challenges.

Blogs

Prevention in name only: Are national dementia plans delivering on their promises?

With dementia rates rising fast, prevention is critical. But do countries' plans reflect that urgency? This new paper analyses 16 national dementia strategies—and finds good intentions often aren't backed by clear actions.

An unexpected link between pancreatic cancer and dementia could help us beat the disease

An unexpected link has been found between pancreatic cancer and dementia. Researchers discovered that cells in pancreatic pre-cancers behave similarly to a process seen in dementia, which could offer new ways to understand and prevent it. The study is <u>published</u> in <u>Developmental Cell</u>.















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News

<u>'Left in the dark' - One in five people affected by dementia get no support: the true impact of dementia laid bare</u>

One in five people affected by dementia have received no health care, social care or financial support, according to a new in-depth report. Of those who received support, fewer than half were satisfied with it, with only 29% saying dementia-related health care was easy to access.

Three-minute test helps identify people at greater risk of Alzheimer's, trial finds

A three-minute brainwave test can detect memory problems linked to Alzheimer's disease long before people are typically diagnosed, raising hopes that the approach could help identify those most likely to benefit from new drugs for the condition. In a small trial, the test flagged specific memory issues in people with mild cognitive impairment, highlighting who was at greater risk of developing Alzheimer's. Trials in larger groups are under way. Details are published in Brain Communications.

Women with Alzheimer's have unusually low omega fatty acid levels, study finds

Analysis of blood samples finds women with the disease have 20% lower levels, a pattern not seen in men. The study is published in the Alzheimer's & Dementia journal.

"An early dementia diagnosis is hugely important, especially right now"

Researcher Dr Calum Hamilton at Newcastle University talks about his research, his hopes for the future, and what we can all do to improve diagnosis.

Eight phases of FTD

John Hirst shares his wife's experience of frontotemporal dementia.

AAIC 2025: The future of Alzheimer's research is here

This year's <u>Alzheimer's Association International Conference</u> (AAIC) was one of the most hopeful in recent memory. Held in Toronto, the event brought together over 19,000 scientists and clinicians from around the world, sharing more than 6,000 talks and projects featuring results and new ideas that could push the field of dementia research forward, bringing us closer to a cure.

Five key takeaways from this year's dementia conferences

Hannah Gardner, Consultant Admiral Nurse for Children and Young People, shares her key learnings from this year's dementia conferences.

New dementia care resource shows promise but does not reduce psychiatric hospital admissions

An online toolkit designed to improve crisis support for people with dementia has been welcomed by healthcare staff. However, new research has found that it did not lead to a reduction in psychiatric hospital admissions.













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Cats develop dementia in a similar way to humans

Cats develop dementia in a similar way to humans with Alzheimer's disease, leading to hopes of a breakthrough in research, according to scientists. The discovery has been hailed as a "perfect natural model for Alzheimer's" by scientists who believe it will help them explore new treatments for humans. The study is published in the <u>European Journal of Neuroscience</u>.

NHS supporting record numbers of people living with dementia

A record half a million people have received a dementia diagnosis on the NHS, as the health service ramps up support for the country's biggest killer. New NHS figures published this week show 506,549 people have received a dementia diagnosis, compared to 490,163 this time last year.

How AI is accelerating the race to understand dementia

Could AI one day help us predict changes in the brain and ultimately prevent dementia? Dr Mathieu Bourdenx, Senior Research Fellow at the UK Dementia Research Institute (UKDRI) at UCL, is using an 'AI scientist', which he hopes could transform how we make scientific discoveries.









