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Structured Abstract

Objective: We conducted this systematic review to support the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force in updating its 2014 recommendation on screening for cognitive impairment in older adults. Our review addressed the direct evidence on the benefits and harms of screening for cognitive impairment versus no screening, the test accuracy of screening instruments to detect mild cognitive impairment and dementia, and the benefits and harms of treatment for MCI and mild-to-moderate dementia among community-dwelling older adults ages 65 and older.

Data Sources: We performed an updated search of MEDLINE, PubMed Publisher-Supplied, PsycINFO, and the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials for studies published through January 2019. We supplemented searches by examining reference lists from related articles and expert recommendations and searched federal and international trial registries for ongoing trials.

Study Selection: Two researchers reviewed 11,644 titles and abstracts and 966 full-text articles against prespecified inclusion criteria. We included test accuracy studies that included screening instruments that could be delivered in primary care in 10 minutes or less by a clinician or self-administered in 20 minutes or less compared with a reference standard. We included trials of major pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic interventions in people with MCI or mild to moderate dementia and large, observational studies examining adverse effects of these interventions. We conducted dual, independent critical appraisal of all provisionally included studies and abstracted all important study details and results from all studies rated fair or good quality. Data were abstracted by one reviewer and confirmed by another.

Data Analysis: We synthesized data separately for each key question and within sub-categories of screening instruments and treatments. For diagnostic accuracy studies, we focused on sensitivity and specificity of instruments that were evaluated in more than one study. We conducted a qualitative synthesis of results using summary tables and figures to capture key study characteristics, sources of clinical heterogeneity, and overall results of each study. Quantitative synthesis was limited to test performance of the Mini Mental State Examination (MMSE) (due to insufficient number of homogeneous studies for other instruments) and U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved medications to treat AD on global cognitive outcomes, global function, and harms; nonpharmacologic interventions aimed at the patient on global cognitive outcomes; and caregiver and caregiver-patient dyad interventions on caregiver burden and depression outcomes. We ran random effects meta-analyses using the DerSimonian and Laird method and sensitivity analyses using a Restricted Likelihood Estimation Model with the Knapp-Hartung correction to calculate the pooled differences in mean changes (for continuous data) and pooled risk ratio (for binary data). We used meta-regression to explore potential effect modification by various study, population, and intervention characteristics in cases where 10 or more studies were pooled. We generated funnel plots and conducted tests for small-study effects for all pooled analyses. Using established methods, we assessed the strength of evidence for each question.

Results: Screening (Key Questions 1-3): No published trials examined the direct effect of screening for cognitive impairment on important patient outcomes, including patient, caregiver, and clinician decision-making outcomes or harms. We identified 59 studies that addressed the

diagnostic accuracy of 49 screening instruments to detect cognitive impairment. Most instruments were only studied in a handful of well-designed diagnostic accuracy studies in primary care-relevant populations. The MMSE, a brief test taking 7-10 minutes to complete, remains the most thoroughly studied instrument. The pooled estimate across 15 studies (n=12,796) resulted in 89 percent sensitivity (95% CI, 0.85 to 0.92) and 89 percent specificity (95% CI, 0.85 to 0.93) to detect dementia as a cutoff of \leq 23 or \leq 24. Other screening instruments evaluated in more than one study included the very brief instruments (≤5 minutes) of the CDT, MIS, MSQ, Mini-Cog, Lawton IADL, VF, AD8, and FAQ and the brief instruments (6 to 10 minutes) of the 7MS, AMT, MoCA, SLUMS, TICS with sensitivity to detect dementia usually at 0.75 or higher and specificity at 0.80 or higher for all instruments. For self-administered, longer tests (>10 minutes), only the IQCODE was assessed in more than one study, with sensitivity to detect dementia ranging from 0.80 to 0.88 and specificity ranging from 0.51 to 0.91. Across all instruments, test performance was generally higher in the detection of dementia versus mild cognitive impairment, although confidence intervals overlapped. No studies directly addressed the adverse psychological effects of screening or adverse effects from false-positive or falsenegative testing.

Treatment (Key Questions 4–5): We identified 224 trials and 3 observational studies representing over 240,000 patients and/or caregivers that addressed the treatment or management of MCI or mild to moderate dementia. None of the treatment trials were linked with a screening program; in all cases, trial participants were persons with known mild cognitive impairment (MCI) or dementia.

Pharmacologic Interventions: Based on 45 trials (n=22,431) and 3 observational studies (n=190,076) that evaluated AChEIs (i.e., donepezil, galantamine, rivastigmine) and memantine, these medications may improve measures of global cognitive function in the short term, but the magnitude of change is small. In meta-analyses, the differences in changes between those on AChEIs or memantine compared with those on placebo ranged from approximately 1 to 2.5 points on the ADAS-Cog-11 and 0.5 to 1 point on the MMSE over 3 months to 3 years of followup. AChEIs and memantine appeared to increase the likelihood of improving or maintaining patients' global function by 15 percent (for memantine) to 50 percent (for rivastigmine) in the short term (pooled 95% CI range, 0.49 to 2.69). Other outcome measures were inconsistently reported. Total adverse events and discontinuation due to AEs were more common with AChEIs, but not memantine, compared with placebo. Rates of serious adverse events overall were not higher among those taking medications versus placebo, but individual studies noted increased rates of serious adverse events. Trials evaluating other medications or dietary supplements (k=29; n=6,489), including discontinuing antihypertensives, HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors (atorvastatin and simvastatin), NSAIDs (ibuprofen, naproxen, indomethacin, and celecoxib), gonadal steroids (estrogen [plus or minus progesterone] and testosterone), and dietary supplements and vitamins (multivitamins, B vitamins, vitamin E, and omega-3 fatty acids) showed no benefit on global cognitive or physical function in people with mild to moderate dementia or MCI.

Nonpharmacologic Interventions: We identified 61 trials (n=7,847) that evaluated nonpharmacologic patient-level interventions, including cognitive-focused, exercise, and multicomponent and other interventions. Among all interventions, there was no clear benefit on

global or domain-specific measures of cognitive function compared with control conditions at 3 months to 2 years followup. Effect estimates generally favored the intervention groups over control groups, but the magnitude of effect was inconsistent across trials and represented very wide CIs (ranging from no effect to a large effect). Physical function outcomes, including change in ADLs and IADLs, as well as QOL and mental and neuropsychiatric symptoms, were inconsistently reported. There was, however, a pattern of effect for exercise interventions, with small improvements seen in measures of physical function and symptoms for intervention groups, whereas control groups reported worsening function. Caregiver and caregiver-patient dyad interventions including psychoeducation for the caregiver and care and case management interventions, reported in 88 trials (n=14,880), resulted in a consistent benefit on caregiver burden and depression outcomes. Effect sizes were mostly small, however, and were of unclear clinical significance. Little harm was evident in the few nonpharmacologic intervention trials that reported harms.

Limitations: There is a lack of evidence around how screening for and treating MCI and early-stage dementia impacts decision-making outcomes. Furthermore, there has been little reproducibility in testing specific screening instruments in primary care populations. The treatment literature is limited by a lack of consistency in the specific outcomes reported and short followup duration. It is difficult to interpret the clinical importance of the small average effects seen among treatment trials, and many measures likely have limited responsiveness for patients with less pronounced cognitive impairment. Consistent and standardized reporting of results according to meaningful thresholds of clinical significance would be helpful in interpreting the small average effects on continuous outcome measures. Other important measures such as quality of life, physical function, and institutionalization, were inconsistently reported.

Conclusions: Several brief screening instruments can adequately detect cognitive impairment, especially in populations with a higher prevalence of underlying dementia. There is no empiric evidence, however, that screening for cognitive impairment or early diagnosis of cognitive impairment improves patient, caregiver, family, or clinician decision-making or other important outcomes. Harms of screening for cognitive impairment are not well studied. In general, there is support that AChEIs and memantine and interventions that support caregivers, including those that help coordinate care for patients and caregivers, can result in small improvements in the short term. Unfortunately, the average effects of these benefits are quite small and likely not of clinical significance. Any benefits are further limited by the commonly experienced side effects of medications and the limited availability of complex caregiver interventions. Cognitive stimulation and training, exercise interventions, and other medications and supplements showed some favorable effects on patients' cognitive and physical function, but trial evidence lacked consistency and the estimates of benefit were imprecise. There is less evidence related to screening for and treating MCI. The test performance of the few instruments evaluated to detect MCI was lower than the sensitivity and specificity to detect dementia and there is little evidence for any pharmacologic or nonpharmacologic interventions to preserve or improve patient functioning in people with MCI.

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Chapter 1. Introduction

Purpose

This report will be used by the United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) to update its 2014 recommendation on screening for cognitive impairment in older adults.¹

Condition Definition

Clinical definitions of cognitive disorders have evolved over time. In the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorder Fourth Edition (DSM-IV), published in 1994, dementia was defined as a decline in two or more cognitive domains (memory, attention, language, or visuospatial or executive functioning) that affects social or occupational functioning. In the DSM-5, published in 2013, dementia was subsumed under the broader category of "major neurocognitive disorder" and was defined as a decline in one or more cognitive domains (learning and memory, language, executive function, complex attention, perceptual-motor [visuospatial], or social cognition) that interferes with independence in everyday activities. In the updated nomenclature, any domain could be impaired to meet the definition of dementia whereas in DSM-IV, a decline in memory was required. Furthermore, in DSM-5, a sixth cognitive domain, social cognition, was added. In both cases, these deficits do not occur exclusively during delirium, and are not better explained by another mental disorder, such as schizophrenia.

The dementia syndrome is further classified according to the symptoms and course of the impairment and the suspected underlying pathology. The major causes of the dementia syndrome are: Alzheimer's disease (AD), vascular dementia (VaD), frontotemporal dementia (FTD), Lewy body dementia (LBD), Parkinson's disease with dementia (PDD), and dementia of mixed etiology (most commonly AD and VaD or mixed etiology with VaD). With AD, FTD, LBD, and PDD, abnormal protein deposits that accumulate in the brain are believed to contribute to deterioration of brain function and dementia (amyloid plaques, neurofibrillary tangles, Lewy bodies). Other neuropathological changes associated with dementia can include cortical atrophy, hemorrhage, small-vessel ischemic disease, and neuronal and white matter loss. ⁶ The exact etiological mechanisms for many types of dementia (e.g., AD, FTD, LBD, and PDD), however, have not been clearly defined. For example, amyloid plaques found during brain autopsies are associated with AD and LBD, but these pathological findings are not always consistent with premorbid clinical diagnoses. 8 Other established causes of dementia include depression, alcohol and other substance abuse, medications (e.g., antihistamines), metabolic disorders (e.g., thyroid disorders and diabetes), intracranial tumors, normal pressure hydrocephalus, subdural hematomas, infections (e.g., HIV, prion disease), traumatic brain or anoxic injury, and rare neurodegenerative disorders (e.g., Huntington's disease, progressive supranuclear palsy). 9, 10

Mild cognitive impairment (MCI) is distinguished from dementia as cognitive impairment that is not severe enough to interfere with independence in daily functioning. The nomenclature for MCI is varied and includes cognitive impairment without functional impairment, cognitive impairment no dementia (CIND), mild neurocognitive disorder, and mild cognitive disorder, all

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of which have varied definitions and criteria.¹¹ In the DSM-5, MCI is classified under the broad category of "mild neurocognitive disorder." DSM-5 criteria for MCI include concerns of cognitive impairment by the patient, informant, or clinician; findings of modest cognitive deficits; and absence of interference with daily functioning (even though greater effort or compensatory strategies may be needed).³ This definition is consistent with that used by the International Working Group on Mild Cognitive Impairment.¹² The DSM-5 definition contrasts somewhat with earlier working definitions of MCI, including one of the most commonly used definitions of MCI published by Petersen and colleagues in 1999. The Petersen definition focuses on amnestic MCI, defined as complaints of memory impairment corroborated by an informant, memory impairment on objective testing, normal performance in non-memory cognitive domains, preserved ADLs, and no dementia.^{13, 14} Some research in MCI distinguishes between amnestic and non-amnestic MCI, and between single- or multi-domain MCI.¹⁵⁻¹⁷ Regardless of the nomenclature, MCI is an intermediate but not necessarily transitional cognitive state between normal cognition and dementia.

Prevalence and Burden

Dementia

Dementia is a common condition, with an estimated 2.4 to 5.5 million Americans afflicted.^{4, 6, 18} The prevalence of dementia is likely underestimated given the challenges of diagnosis, particularly in primary care settings.^{19, 20} By 2050, it is projected that AD will affect 13.8 million Americans, owing largely to the increase in the size of the elderly population.²¹ The estimated total health, long-term, and hospice care costs for dementia in the United States were \$200 billion in 2012. Medicare and Medicaid pay approximately 70 percent of those costs. These cost estimates do not include the \$210 billion in uncompensated care that informal caregivers are estimated to provide annually.²²

The prevalence of dementia was estimated at 8.8 percent in 2012 among adults 65 years or older in the United States, a significant decrease from the estimated prevalence of 11.6 percent in 2000.²³ The proportion of dementia caused by different etiologies varies widely between studies due to differences in diagnostic criteria, study setting, and age of participants. A 2017 study that used administrative enrollment and claims data from Medicare beneficiaries aged 68 years and older during the years 2011–2013 found that the most commonly defined dementia subtype was AD (accounting for 43.5% of dementia claims), followed by VaD (14.5%), LBD (5.4%), and FTD (1.0%).²⁴ Similarly, one systematic review found that AD accounted for 56.3 percent of cases, followed by VaD (20.3%) and mixed etiologies (6.2%).²⁵ Other causes, such as PDD and alcohol abuse, were much less common.²⁵ Only 4 percent of dementia cases were due to potentially reversible causes though only 0.6 percent of dementia cases actually reversed to normal cognition in studies that reported followup.²⁵

The prevalence of dementia increases with age. In 2012, the estimated prevalence of dementia in the United States was 3.2 percent in individuals ages 65 to 74 years, rising to 9.9 percent for those ages 75 to 84 years, and 29.3 percent for those 85 years of age or older. Dementia incidence also increases exponentially with age between the ages of 65 and 90 years and doubles approximately every 5 years. One study among nondemented older adults aged 90 year and

older found the overall incidence rate was 18.2 percent per year with rates increasing markedly with age from 12.7% per year in the 90–94-year age group, to 21.2% per year in the 95–99-year age group, to 40.7% per year in the 100+-year age group.²⁷

Dementia prevalence varies by race and ethnicity. A population-based study found the prevalence of dementia in adults ages 71 years and older was 21.3 percent for blacks compared with 11.2 percent for whites. Another study found that the prevalence of AD in older black adults is roughly double (10.5% vs. 5.4%) the prevalence in non-Hispanic whites, while several studies have found the prevalence of AD in Hispanics to be approximately 1.5 times that observed in the white population. Epidemiological data suggests that certain risk factors are more common in blacks and Hispanics than whites, such as hypertension, coronary artery disease, and stroke, which may account for some of the racial disparities observed in AD. There is little consensus, however, on the cause for observed disparities in prevalence.

Dementia prevalence also varies by gender, with more women than men affected. One study estimated that in individuals ages 71 years and older, approximately 16 percent of women had dementia compared with 11 percent of men.²² While previous research suggested higher rates of dementia prevalence in women were related largely to women's longer life expectancy,²² newer research suggests that differences in genetic factors³² and education³³ levels may contribute to disparate prevalence rates by gender as well.

MCI. The prevalence of MCI is even more difficult to ascertain than the prevalence of dementia due to even greater between-study differences in sampling, methods of clinical assessment, and the criteria used to define MCI.²⁹ Estimates of MCI prevalence range widely, from 3 to 42 percent in adults ages 65 years and older.^{34, 35} One systematic review of 35 population-based studies found the median prevalence to be 4.9 percent (range, 0.5%–31.9%) for amnestic MCI, 26.4 percent (range, 3%–42%) for MCI, and 20.6 percent (range, 5.1%–35.9%) for CIND across a broad age range of older adults.³⁵ While the prevalence of MCI and CIND appeared to increase with age, these studies did not identify a consistent relationship with age across different definitions.^{34, 35} Likewise, these studies found no consistent relationship between MCI and gender, race/ethnicity, or education.^{34, 35}

Natural History

Dementia. The most common types of dementia are irreversible and usually progressive, including AD, VaD, LBD, and FTD. Early stages of dementia generally affect instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs), such as money and medication management, shopping, or cooking, along with the ability to learn and retain new information. As the dementia progresses, patients become unable to carry out basic self-care activities of daily living (ADLs), such as dressing, toileting, or grooming. ^{36, 37} The onset and progression of dementia are highly variable and depend in part on the etiology or type. The median survival time from diagnosis of dementia is estimated to range from 4.5 to 6.7 years, although this varies by how onset of disease is defined, age at diagnosis, degree of impairment, and the etiological type of dementia. ^{38, 39} For example, median survival time for AD is thought to be longer than for FTD, and some patients with AD can live as long as 20 years after diagnosis. ^{22, 40-42} The rate of progression of cognitive decline also varies with the type of dementia. Patients with AD, for example, can experience a

decline of 2 points or less per year on the Mini Mental State Examination (MMSE), whereas the decline in those with other types of dementia can be more rapid.⁴³ The rate of decline can also depend on the stage of disease, as patients may experience an accelerated rate of decline as their disease progresses.^{44, 45} In addition to cognitive decline, neuropsychiatric symptoms, such as depression, anxiety, apathy, agitation, aggression, personality changes, and psychosis (e.g., delusions, paranoia, hallucinations), can occur.⁶ Neuropsychiatric symptoms can occur with any type of dementia but tend to be more common with specific types. FTD, for example, is commonly associated with euphoria or disinhibition, whereas PDD and LBD are commonly associated with visual hallucinations. AD is associated with apathy, anxiety, and depression in early stages and agitation and delusions in later stages.⁴⁶⁻⁴⁹

MCI. The rates of stability, progression, and regression of MCI vary markedly between studies. This variation likely reflects the complex underlying pathology as well as differences in diagnostic criteria, population settings, and participants. Variations in diagnostic criteria have implications for understanding the natural history of MCI. For example, the 1999 Petersen criteria defined MCI essentially as amnestic MCI, while broader criteria used by others include categories for amnestic and nonamnestic MCI, and for single- and multidomain MCI. Each category of MCI has different predicted rates of conversion from MCI to dementia. Amnestic MCI and multidomain MCI are more likely to progress to dementia than others. ⁵⁰ Additionally, single-domain MCI is often a precursor of multidomain MCI; therefore, single-domain impairment may be the earliest detectable stage of a progressive condition, but may also be more likely than other MCI subtypes to revert to normal cognition. ⁵⁰⁻⁵²

Overall, there is strong evidence that people with MCI have a much greater risk of progressing to dementia than people with normal cognition. A 2013 systematic review found that an average of 32 percent of people with MCI go on to develop dementia over 5 years.⁵³ This is consistent with a 2009 meta-analysis that found that on average 38 percent of people with MCI went on to develop dementia when followed for at least 5 years. 15 In a subset of five studies included in the 2009 meta-analysis, the annual conversion rate to dementia over a mean followup of 6.0 years was 3.6 percent for individuals with MCI compared with 0.43 percent for healthy subjects (risk ratio [RR], 13.8 [95% confidence interval [CI], 8.44 to 22.6]). Overall, the annual rate of progression from MCI to dementia (adjusted for sample size and dementia type) was 4.9 percent (95% CI, 1.6 to 9.9). The adjusted rate from MCI to AD dementia was 6.8 percent (95% CI, 1.9 to 14.5) and 1.6 percent (95% CI, 0.3 to 9.4) from MCI to VaD. 15 Other studies using different definitions of MCI found cumulative rates of progression to dementia of 22 to 40 percent over mean study times of 5 to 10 years. MCI may also regress to normal cognition over time in 10 to 40 percent of individuals with MCI.^{50, 54, 55} Although several population-based studies have noted an increased risk of mortality in people with MCI compared with those with normal cognition, ⁵⁶-⁶⁰ other studies have found no associated increase in mortality. ^{61, 62}

Risk and Protective Factors

Increasing age is the strongest known risk factor for cognitive decline in general and for AD specifically. ¹⁸ Other proposed risk factors for cognitive decline have varying levels of evidence to support an association. The ε4 allele of the lipoprotein E gene has good observational evidence in whites and Asians as a risk factor for AD. ⁶³ Other risk factors with lower-quality

observational evidence include family history, depression, physical frailty, and low social support. 63-67

In contrast, more years of formal education have been associated with a reduced risk of dementia, likely through multiple causal pathways, including a direct effect on brain development and function and the association between higher levels of education and positive health behaviors and better access to health care.^{4, 23, 68} Likewise, better control of cardiovascular risk factors over the past decade has been associated with declining dementia risk.^{23, 69, 70} Obesity has also been found to be associated with a decreased risk of dementia with the hypothesis that while obesity in mid-life may increase risk for later-life cognitive decline and dementia, obesity at older ages may be associated with cognitive and other health advantages.⁷¹ In addition, several dietary and lifestyle factors have been associated with a decreased risk of dementia, including adequate folic acid intake, low saturated fat and longer-chain omega-3 fatty acid intake, high fruit and vegetable intake, adherence to Mediterranean diet, moderate alcohol intake, cognitive engagement, social engagement, and higher physical activity level.⁷²⁻⁷⁵

Prevention of Cognitive Impairment

There is a robust evidence base exploring the effectiveness of interventions targeting modifiable risk factors that are potentially associated with age-related cognitive decline. In 2017, a comprehensive systematic review was published by Kane and colleagues⁷⁶ on the effectiveness and harms of pharmacological and nonpharmacological interventions to prevent age-related cognitive decline, MCI, and dementia. The review, which was also subsequently published in individual manuscripts,⁷⁷⁻⁷⁹ included 263 studies addressing 13 classes of interventions: cognitive training, physical activity, nutraceuticals, diet, multimodal interventions, hormone therapy, vitamins, antihypertensive treatment, lipid-lowering treatment, NSAIDS, antidementia drugs, diabetes treatment, and "other interventions."

Of the 13 classes of interventions examined, none of the interventions had high strength of evidence to suggest that they delayed or prevented age-related cognitive decline, MCI, or dementia. There were a few interventions types, however, that showed more potential than others in benefiting cognitive performance. For instance, the review found that some forms of cognitive training improved certain domain-specific measures of cognitive function that were targeted by the intervention (i.e., reasoning, executive function, attention, processing speed, and memory) for adults with normal cognition, but there was little evidence to support the transfer of benefits to other cognitive areas or to reduced dementia incidence. Additionally, the benefit for any form of cognitive training beyond 2 years was uncertain. Although the evidence was less compelling, physical activity and vitamin B12 plus folic acid also showed potential benefit on brief cognitive tests and memory. A few specific interventions reached moderate strength of evidence for *no* benefit in cognitive performance including vitamin E in women, angiotensin converting enzyme and thiazide, and angiotensin receptor blockers.⁷⁶

The absence of strong and consistent evidence in support of preventive interventions to delay or reduce onset of MCI and dementia in older adults with normal cognition may largely result from limitations inherent in the included evidence. Most published trials were of limited duration and followup, ranging between 6 months and 4 years. Even at 4 years, this period is substantially

shorter than the expected latency period to reach MCI and dementia, which is thought to initiate years before participants begin to experience any symptoms. Furthermore, most randomized trials were underpowered to detect changes in the incidence of MCI and dementia due to small sample sizes.⁷⁶

Rationale for Screening

It is estimated that 29 to 76 percent of patients with dementia or probable dementia are not diagnosed by primary care physicians. 80-82 That may be because primary care clinicians fail to recognize cognitive impairment during clinic checks that rely on routine history and physical examination. Moreover, the sensitivity of a clinician's diagnosis appears to be strongly related to dementia severity, with few practitioners recognizing mild dementia. Hearly identification of cognitive impairment, through screening, would ideally allow patients and their families to receive care at an earlier stage in the disease process, potentially facilitating discussions regarding decision-making (e.g., health care, financial, legal) while the patient still retains decision-making capacity. Clinical experts and researchers have suggested that the health, psychological, and social benefits from early recognition of dementia include: early education of patients and caregivers on the disease process; early coaching of caregivers in how to manage the patient; advanced planning (e.g., establishing a will, health care proxy, power of attorney, and advance directives; timely discussion of care transitions and appropriate placement options); reduced patient and family anxiety and stress, as well as reduced caregiver burden, blame, and denial; patient safety (e.g., monitoring driving, medication compliance, cooking); and promotion of advocacy for research and treatment development. 85, 86

Screening and Diagnostic Workup for Cognitive Impairment

Many different brief cognitive screening instruments are available to clinicians in primary care. These cognitive tests alone, however, are not diagnostic of dementia or MCI. A positive screening test triggers subsequent diagnostic testing that assesses the level and possible etiology of cognitive impairment. When dementia is suspected, the practitioner should complete a detailed and focused clinical history and physical examination. Family members or other people close to the patient who could provide an accurate history should ideally be present or contacted. This diagnostic workup may also include more comprehensive cognitive and functional assessments (e.g., neuropsychological testing or clinical evaluation by a trained clinician).

A diagnosis of dementia requires that the patient has developed requisite cognitive deficits (impairments in learning and memory, language, executive function, complex attention, perceptual-motor, or social cognition), which can be established with specific tests and interpreted relative to appropriate norms. Practitioners also can order laboratory tests to rule out potentially reversible causes of dementia (e.g., hypothyroidism, vitamin B12 deficiency). Since depression is common and treatable and often presents as cognitive impairment, it is necessary to rule it out in patients with suspected dementia. The American Academy of Neurology currently recommends structural neuroimaging with non-contrast head CT or MRI in the initial evaluation of dementia patients,⁸⁷ although the need for neuroimaging in routine cognitive workups is controversial and may be more useful for those with acute onset or rapid progression or among

those with other symptoms.⁸⁸ Genetic testing for the APOE£4 allele (which increases the risk of developing AD) is not currently recommended, nor is genetic testing for other potential causes of dementia (e.g., specific mutations) unless there is a specific characteristic family history obtained.^{87,89}

Interventions and Treatment for Cognitive Impairment

The goals of treatment for cognitive impairment are to maintain quality of life (QOL) and maximize functional performance by addressing cognitive, mood, and behavioral impairments, as well as to treat any modifiable or reversible causes of impairment. Treatment options for those with MCI and dementia are numerous and include both pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic interventions. FDA-approved pharmacologic treatments include acetylcholinesterase inhibitors (AChEIs) (i.e., donepezil, galantamine, and rivastigmine), memantine, and combination donepezil and memantine (Namzaric®). Donepezil (Aricept®) is approved for the treatment of all stages of AD, whereas galantamine (Razadyne®) and rivastigmine (Exelon®) are indicated for the treatment of mild to moderate AD and mild to moderate dementia associated with PDD (rivastigmine only). Memantine (Namenda®), on the other hand, is indicated for the treatment of moderate to severe AD. None of these medications is specifically FDA-indicated or recommended for the treatment of MCI, although they are used off-label. 90 Other medications, including antiplatelet medications, antihypertension medications, and HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors (statins), are often prescribed for cardiovascular risk reduction, primarily for the treatment of VaD or mixed dementias. Additional therapies have been tested or suggested for preventing or treating cognitive decline or the symptoms related to cognitive decline such as nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDS), gonadal steroids, antipsychotics, anti-diabetes drugs, and dietary supplements. Experimental drug therapies include various immunotherapies targeting beta-amyloid (solanezumab), beta-secretase (verubecestat), and tau protein (AADvac1 vaccine), medications targeting inflammation in the brain (CSP-1103), intravenous immunoglobulin (IVIG), and growth hormone-releasing hormone (GHRH).⁹¹ None of these experimental drug therapies are currently FDA-approved for use in the general population; access to these agents is restricted to individuals taking part in a clinical trial. Nonpharmacologic interventions include those targeting the patient, caregiver, or patient-caregiver dyad, and comprise multidisciplinary or multicomponent approaches, cognitive training, cognitive rehabilitation, cognitive stimulation interventions, exercise, peer support, caregiver counseling and psychoeducation, and case management.

Current Clinical Practice in the United States and Recommendations of Other Groups

Although no professional organizations explicitly recommend routine screening for dementia in asymptomatic adults (**Table 1**), many groups—including the USPSTF, Alzheimer's Association, American Academy of Neurology, American Geriatrics Society, Gerontological Society of America, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Canadian Task Force on Preventive Health Care, European Federation of Neurological Societies, Royal Australian College of Practitioners, and International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics—advise that clinicians assess the cognitive abilities of older adults who present with cognitive or cognitive-related functional

complaints.^{1, 87, 92-98} The Veteran's Health Administration explicitly recommends against screening in asymptomatic adults, regardless of age, given the lack of evidence to support a benefit of identification of early cognitive impairment and adequate evidence of harms from drug therapy.⁹⁶

In 2011, Medicare began covering "detection of cognitive impairment" as part of the new Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) benefit, which is mandated by the Affordable Care Act (ACA).⁹⁹ The AWV requires an assessment of the patient's cognitive function by direct observation with consideration of information obtained via patient reports and concerns raised by informants.⁹⁹ The cognitive assessment is intended to result in the development of a personalized prevention plan in which the provider offers feedback and educates the patient about risks, including risks for cognitive impairment, when indicated. 100 The AWV is mandated by the ACA; however, only 20 percent of the 35 million Medicare Part B enrollees had an AWV in 2016. 101 In 2013, the Alzheimer's Association published recommendations for operationalizing the detection of cognitive impairment during the AWV. It recommended the use of a brief structured assessment (i.e., the General Practitioner assessment of Cognition [GPCOG], Mini-Cog, Memory Impairment Screen [MIS], AD8, or short Informant Questionnaire on Cognitive Decline in the Elderly [IQCODE]) if a health risk assessment reveals signs or symptoms of cognitive impairment, through clinical observation, or via concerns raised by the patient or informant. 102 Likewise, both the National Institute on Aging (NIA) (2014)⁸⁶ and Gerontological Society of America (GSA) (2016)¹⁰³ developed reference guides for primary care providers that describe the benefits of early screening, when to screen, how providers and staff can find time for screening, and how to screen for cognitive impairment. The NIA guide emphasizes and provides access to instruments that require 10 minutes or less to administer, including the AD8, Mini-Cog, and IQCODE, 86 whereas the GSA workgroup specifically endorses the Mini-Cog, GPCOG, and MIS. 103

Previous USPSTF Recommendation

In 2014, the USPSTF concluded that current evidence was insufficient to assess the balance of benefits and harms of screening for cognitive impairment (**I Statement**). At that time, the USPSTF found adequate evidence that some screening tools had sufficiently high sensitivity and specificity to be clinically useful in identifying dementia, but there was inadequate direct evidence on the benefits of screening for cognitive impairment. Additionally, while the evidence showed that several drug therapies and nonpharmacologic therapies, including those targeting caregivers, had a small effect on cognitive function and caregiver burden measures in the short term, the magnitude of the clinically relevant benefits was uncertain.

Chapter 2. Methods

Scope of Review

This review is an update of the 2013 review^{104, 105} that supported the 2014 USPSTF recommendation. Our update includes studies published since the previous review and studies from the previous review that met updated inclusion criteria. We did not make any substantive changes to the scope of the review for this update other than to exclude the medication tacrine from the list of included interventions as it is no longer available in the United States.

Analytic Framework and Key Questions

With input from the USPSTF, we developed an Analytic Framework (**Figure 1**) and five Key Questions (KQs) to guide the search and selection of studies, data abstraction, and data synthesis.

Screening Key Questions (KQs 1–3)

- 1. Does screening for cognitive impairment in community-dwelling older adults in primary care—relevant settings improve decision-making, patient, family/caregiver, or societal outcomes?
- 2. What is the accuracy of screening instruments to detect cognitive impairment in community-dwelling older adults?
- 3. What are the harms of screening for cognitive impairment in community-dwelling older adults?

Treatment/Management Key Questions (KQs 4, 5)

- 4. Do interventions for mild to moderate dementia or mild cognitive impairment in community-dwelling older adults improve decision-making, patient, family/caregiver, or societal outcomes?
- 5. What are the harms of interventions for mild to moderate dementia or mild cognitive impairment in community-dwelling older adults?

Data Sources and Searches

First, we reviewed all included studies in the previous review, ^{104, 105} including those that were part of a systematic review that was previously used in its entirety. ¹⁰⁶ Next, we searched the following databases to identify English-language literature published between January 2012 and January 2019: Ovid MEDLINE, PubMED (for publisher-supplied records only), PsycInfo, and the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials. A research librarian developed and executed the search, which was peer-reviewed by a second research librarian (**Appendix A**). We supplemented our searches by examining the reference lists of other previously published reviews, meta-analyses, and primary studies and from suggestions from experts. We also

searched ClinicalTrials.gov for ongoing trials related to KQ 1, and have conducted ongoing surveillance for relevant literature for all bodies of evidence through June 2019. We imported the literature from these sources directly into EndNote® X9 (Thomson Reuters, New York, NY).

Study Selection

We developed specific criteria to guide our study selection (**Appendix A Table 1**).

Population

For all KQs, we included studies that were relevant to community-dwelling, noninstitutionalized adults ages 65 years and older being seen in primary care in the United States. For screening studies, we excluded studies conducted among patients in hospitals or nursing homes (i.e., skilled nursing facilities, rehabilitation facilities, and intermediate care facilities) or in which patients were selected from referred settings (e.g., memory, neurology, psychogeriatric, Alzheimer's Disease Research Centers). We included only treatment studies conducted among community-dwelling older adults with MCI or mild to moderate dementia. We excluded treatment studies that focused on patients with severe dementia, as most severe cases would likely be clinically identified rather than screen detected. We also excluded primary prevention trials in which treatment was aimed at preventing or delaying the onset of cognitive impairment in older adults without known cognitive impairment.

Screening Instruments

For KQs addressing screening, we included studies that evaluated any brief screening instrument that could be delivered in primary care in 10 minutes or less by a clinician or self-administered in 20 minutes or less. Screening instruments could be administered to the patient or an informant (family member or caregiver), and take place in person, by telephone, or online. We excluded screening done by diagnostic imaging or biomarker testing.

Interventions and Comparators

For KQs addressing the treatment of cognitive impairment, we focused on major pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic interventions intended for use during the early and mild stages of cognitive impairment and aimed at improving patient cognition, physical function, QOL, or to improve caregiver burden or well-being, or a combination of these. We excluded interventions with a primary aim of improving patient behavioral and psychological symptoms of dementia, improving physical performance, or reducing falls. A full list of included and excluded interventions is included in **Appendix A Table 1**.

Comparator interventions included no treatment or waitlist, placebo, usual care, or attention controls. Attention controls included minimal support and "sham" cognitive activities (e.g., working on puzzles, reading the newspaper) or exercise interventions (e.g., light stretching). Usual or standard treatment refers to what would normally be provided in the study setting to participants with dementia, and might include medication, clinic consultations, contact with a

community mental health team, or support from voluntary organizations. We excluded studies comparing two active interventions with no true control group as the focus of this review was not on the comparative effectiveness of various interventions.

Outcomes

We included studies examining the benefits or harms of screening or treatment that reported outcomes on decision-making for patients and families or clinicians (e.g., health care planning, including advance directives; screening and diagnostic decisions; safety planning; legal and financial planning); patient health outcomes (i.e., mortality, health care utilization, institutionalization, global function, cognitive function, physical function, QOL, and neuropsychiatric symptoms including depression and anxiety); caregiver outcomes (i.e., caregiving burden, symptoms of depression and anxiety, QOL); or societal outcomes (e.g., automobile accidents). We excluded studies if they included only patient satisfaction or cost outcomes. For harms, we included studies reporting total adverse events (AEs), withdrawals due to AEs, and serious adverse events (SAEs) that resulted in unexpected medical care, morbidity, or mortality.

Study Design

For KQs 1 and 3, we included randomized and nonrandomized controlled trials that compared individuals who received screening with those who received no screening or usual care. For studies of test accuracy of screening tests (KQ 2), we included studies that reported the sensitivity and specificity (or data that would allow us to calculate the sensitivity and specificity) of a screening test compared with a diagnostic reference standard (i.e., clinical assessment or neuropsychological testing, with explicit diagnostic criteria with or without expert consensus/conference). Studies designed to develop a screening instrument (rather than validate a screening instrument) were excluded unless they had a separate study sample to validate the instrument. We excluded case-control studies and studies that selectively recruited patients with known or clinically suspected dementia or MCI (or cognitively normal controls) due to the high risk of bias in patient selection for these studies. We did, however, include studies among patients with subjective memory complaints (not clinically suspected) because subjective memory complaints are relatively common among older adults. 107

Treatment effectiveness studies (KQ 4) were limited to randomized clinical trials (RCTs) or nonrandomized clinical trials. For harms (KQ 5), we included all trials that were included for the effectiveness question (KQ 4), and cohort or case-control studies with $n\geq1,000$. We excluded open-label extension data because there was not a comparison group.

Because of the large volume of search results, we used a single-screen process (i.e., one reviewer screened for exclusion) for records with terms clearly outside of the scope of the review in the title or abstract (e.g., "mice," "HIV," "brain injury"). Two independent reviewers then screened the titles and abstracts, using the inclusion and exclusion criteria as a guide, of all other records and those not flagged for exclusion during single screening. Subsequently, at least two reviewers assessed the full text of potentially relevant studies using a standard form that outlined the eligibility criteria. Disagreements were resolved through discussion and consensus. Title and

abstract and full-text review were conducted in DistillerSR (Evidence Partners, Ottawa, Canada). We kept detailed records of all included and excluded studies (and the reason for their exclusion) during full-text review.

Quality Assessment

At least two reviewers critically appraised all newly identified eligible studies in DistillerSR. We assigned each study a quality rating of "good," "fair," or "poor" according to the USPSTF's study design-specific criteria. We supplemented these criteria with items from the Newcastle-Ottawa Scale for cohort studies ¹⁰⁹ and the Quality Assessment of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies I and II for studies of diagnostic accuracy ^{110, 111} (**Appendix A Table 2**). Disagreements were resolved by consensus and, if needed, consultation with a third independent reviewer. Because this review was an update of our own work, we did not repeat critical appraisal of the original studies through full dual-quality rating; rather, we confirmed the quality rating during data abstraction. Likewise, we did not systematically critically appraise all of the studies that were previously identified and included from a related systematic review. ¹⁰⁶ In that review, the methodological quality of the included studies was assessed using a modified Jadad scale and included only studies with a minimum score of 3. We critically appraised only studies that scored a 3 of 5 on the Jadad scale to examine whether they were at high risk of bias.

Good-quality studies were those that met nearly all specified quality criteria. For studies of test accuracy, we assigned a good-quality rating if they recruited patients consecutively or randomly, administered the index test blinded to, or at least prior to, the reference standard, used a reference standard that could accurately classify the target condition, interpreted the reference standard independently from the screening test, and administered the screening test and reference standard on the same day to all participants. For treatment studies, we rated them as good quality if comparable groups were assembled initially and maintained throughout the study, reliable and valid measurement instruments were used and applied equally to the groups, procedures for maintaining fidelity to the intervention were in place, followup was adequate (i.e., ≥80% retention overall) and not differential between groups, data were complete, and there was no evidence of selective reporting. Fair-quality studies did not meet these criteria but did not have serious threats to their internal validity related to the design, execution, or reporting of the study.

Studies rated as poor quality had several important limitations or one critical flaw and were excluded from this review. The most common potential risk of bias for diagnostic studies that warranted a poor-quality rating was application of the reference standard to only those patients who screened positive. In these kinds of cases, when missing data are not random, analysis will generate biased estimates of diagnostic accuracy, 112-115 and verification of only screen-positive patients will generally lead to an overestimation of both sensitivity and specificity. Potential risk-of-bias for treatment trials resulting in poor quality ratings included very high attrition (>40%) or differential attrition (>15% between groups), no data on the number of participants with complete data or reasons for missing data, and unclear randomization procedures coupled with imbalances in baseline characteristics between groups.

Data Abstraction

For screening studies (KQ 2), we extracted details about each study's screening instrument(s) (e.g., administration time, language, cut-point); recruitment and inclusion criteria; number of participants approached and analyzed; patient characteristics (i.e., age, sex, race/ethnicity, socioeconomic status [SES]); prevalence of dementia and/or MCI; reference standard details; and diagnostic outcomes for given cut-points (i.e., contingency table, sensitivity, specificity, positive and negative predictive values, area under the curve). When more than one cutoff was reported for a screening instrument, only the optimal cutoff (as indicated by the author or as assessed by the reviewer as the best balance of sensitivity and specificity) was abstracted. For the MMSE, cutoffs of 23, 24, 23/24, or 24/25 were always abstracted.

For treatment trials (KQs 4-5), we extracted details about each study's design (e.g., recruitment and inclusion criteria, number of participants recruited and analyzed); patient characteristics (e.g., proportion with MCI or specific dementia syndromes, age, sex, race/ethnicity, SES); and intervention characteristics (e.g., intervention components, dose/intensity, frequency and duration, interventionists) and control groups. For all outcomes, if a study reported results at more than one followup time point, we abstracted data for all time points at 3 months' followup or longer. Results related to the following outcomes were abstracted: any decision-making outcome (on behalf of the clinician, caregiver, or patient); any societal outcome; patient mortality; institutionalization; health care utilization including hospitalizations and emergency department visits; global function (e.g., Clinical Dementia Rating [CDR], Clinician's Interview-Based Impression of Change – Plus [CIBIC+]); global cognitive function and domain-specific cognitive function; physical function (i.e., activities of daily living and instrumental activities of daily living); patient and caregiver QOL, psychological morbidity, depressive symptoms, and anxiety symptoms; neuropsychiatric symptoms; measures of caregiver burden; and adverse events. A table of the most commonly reported instruments for each outcome, including a description, is provided in **Appendix A Table 3**. Given the already complex nature of this review, we did not abstract caregiver outcomes related to caregiving self-efficacy, caregiving competence or mastery, time spent caregiving, and other measures of perceived needs, mood, or satisfaction with caregiving.

For measures of global cognitive function, we abstracted the Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale (ADAS-Cog) as the primary measure and used the MMSE when the ADAS-Cog was not available. In the rare instance in which neither of these two measures was used, we accepted other measures of global cognitive functioning (e.g., Mattis Dementia Rating Scale, TICS). We abstracted results for domain-specific cognitive function measures (i.e., executive function, memory, attention, and language) qualitatively for each measure in order to compare these results to measures of global cognitive function. For QOL outcomes, we included measures of general QOL (e.g., Short-Form 12 and 36 [SF-12 and SF-36], EuroQol 5-Dimensions [EQ-5D]) and dementia-related QOL (e.g., Dementia Quality of Life [DQOL], Dementia Quality of Life [DEMQOL], Quality of Life in Alzheimer's Disease [QOL-AD]). We only abstracted results for neuropsychiatric symptoms for depression, anxiety, overall psychological morbidity, and composite behavioral and symptoms (e.g., total scores on the Neuropsychiatric Inventory [NPI], frequency scores on the Revised Memory and Behavior Problems Checklist [RMBPC]). Given

the focus of the review and overall volume of results, we did not abstract results for other specific neuropsychiatric symptoms such as agitation, hallucinations, and insomnia.

We abstracted data from each included study into detailed abstraction forms using DistillerSR. One reviewer completed primary data abstraction, and a secondary reviewer checked all data for accuracy and completeness. We contacted authors when data reporting was incomplete, or data points required clarification. In cases where data was only presented in graphical format, we used WebPlotDigitizer© Version 3.10 to extract data and provide estimates of the within-group means and variance at followup. Such data was not abstracted if only group means (and not measures of dispersion or between-group differences) were displayed.

Data Synthesis and Analysis

For test accuracy studies (KQ 2), our primary outcomes of interest were sensitivity and specificity. We synthesized results in summary tables and figures organized by instrument type (according to length of administration) and separated by screening for dementia, MCI and dementia, or MCI only. We categorized these instruments as very brief (administered in ≤5 minutes), brief (administered in 6 to 10 minutes), or longer, self-administered instruments (>10 minutes). We relied on published administration times or administration times reported in the individual studies.

We reported the sensitivity and specificity for the most commonly accepted or reported cutoffs. While we also extracted positive and negative predictive values, we did not focus on these measures because the prevalence of cognitive impairment varied widely across studies. Test performance was either directly extracted from individual study results, calculated using study presented contingency tables, or calculated using the prevalence of cognitive impairment and the reported sensitivity and specificity. We summarized ranges of sensitivity and specificity for each instrument and used figures to visually display the data, as we were unable to quantitatively pool most data given the limited number of studies per instrument by condition, heterogeneity in population or diagnostic criteria, or lack of reporting about cutoffs (and scoring). We conducted quantitative synthesis for only one instrument: the MMSE at a cutoff of 23 or 24 to detect dementia. We ran a bivariate model, which modeled sensitivity and specificity simultaneously, thus accounting for the correlation between these variables.

For treatment trials, we grouped the interventions into four broad categories: 1) FDA-approved medications to treat AD (i.e., AChEIs and memantine); 2) other medications or dietary supplements (e.g., NSAIDs, gonadal steroids, and vitamins); 3) nonpharmacologic interventions aimed primarily at the patient, including: cognitive training, stimulation, and/or rehabilitation; exercise interventions; and multicomponent and other interventions; and 4) nonpharmacologic interventions aimed primarily at the caregiver or caregiver-patient dyad including psychoeducation, care and case management, and other caregiver-focused interventions. Given that there is no agreed-upon classification system for grouping or describing nonpharmacologic interventions, ¹¹⁶ we classified interventions based on the content of the intervention and intended audience, using available taxonomies and definitions where available. We categorized interventions based on how they were described in each study in relation to our working definitions rather than how they were named or classified in the study. We acknowledge that our

categorization scheme represents broad definitions, that there may be some overlap between categories, and that our assignments may not be precise. Nonetheless, given the volume and heterogeneity of evidence, such categorization helped to adequately synthesize and interpret results.

For each body of literature, we conducted qualitative syntheses for each of the commonly reported outcomes, which varied by intervention type. While we also address less commonly reported outcomes, we primarily focus on the commonly reported outcomes due to the bias from selective reporting. We created summary tables to capture the key study characteristics and sources of clinical heterogeneity as well as intervention characteristics for each body of evidence. Additionally, we created tables for each body of evidence that display a summary of results for each primary outcome within that body of evidence. In these summary tables, we focus on the longest duration of followup for each trial.

We conducted meta-analyses on the most commonly reported outcomes for each body of evidence. As a result, pooled analyses were conducted for FDA-approved medications on global cognitive function outcomes, global function outcomes, and harms; for nonpharmacologic patient-level interventions for global cognitive function outcomes; and for caregiver and caregiver-patient dyad interventions for caregiver burden and caregiver depression measures. For consistency across the body of evidence, in quantitative analyses we focused on 6- to 12-month outcomes and included only shorter- or longer-term results when 6- or 12-month outcomes were not available. When more than one treatment group was included in a study, we selected the group that provided the treatment most like that described in other studies for the meta-analyses.

We ran random-effects models using the DerSimonian and Laird (DL) method. ¹¹⁷ For analyses with fewer than 10 trials, we also ran a sensitivity analysis using a more conservative restricted maximum likelihood (REML) analysis with the Knapp-Hartung correction for small samples. ¹¹⁸ Our summary table reflects the results of these more conservative analyses, including the standard deviation of the effect size, Tau. In cases where continuous outcomes were measured using a variety of different instruments with differing scales (e.g., caregiver burden), we analyzed a standardized effect size (Hedge's g) based on the differences in change between groups from baseline to followup. A pooled risk ratio (for binary data) was used to analyze harms outcomes and improvement or maintenance in global function for AChEIs and memantine interventions. When trials only reported results separately for subgroups (e.g., patients with dementia and patients with MCI), we included entries for both subgroups in the meta-analysis.

We examined the association between key study characteristics and effect sizes when possible. This included study quality (i.e., good vs. fair), population characteristics (i.e., age, dementia vs. MCI, and baseline MMSE scores), setting (United States vs. other country), intervention characteristics (i.e., duration of intervention, group- vs. non-group-based cognitive-focused activities), and control conditions (no intervention or usual care vs. sham or minimal interventions). In quantitative analyses with at least 10 trials, we used meta-regressions to explore heterogeneity in effect sizes. For analyses with fewer trials or no quantitative analysis, we visually inspected the results for any patterns of effects. We assessed the presence of statistical heterogeneity among the studies using standard chi-square tests and estimated the magnitude of heterogeneity using the I^2 statistic. Finally, for outcomes with 10 or more trials in

the meta-analysis, we generated funnel plots and ran an Egger's test to evaluate small study effects and potential publication bias. 119, 120

We used Stata version 15.1 (StataCorp LP, College Station, TX) for all analyses. All significance testing was two-sided, and results were considered statistically significant if the p-value was 0.05 or less.

Grading the Strength of the Body of Evidence

We graded the strength of the overall body of evidence for each KQ. We adapted the Evidence-based Practice Center (EPC) approach, which is based on a system developed by the Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation Working Group. During the Court of the five EPC-required domains: consistency (similarity of effect direction and size), precision (degree of certainty around an estimate), reporting bias (potential for bias related to publication, selective outcome reporting, or selective analysis reporting), and study quality (i.e., study limitations). We did not address the fifth required domain—directness—as it is implied in the structure of the KQs (i.e., pertains to whether the evidence links the interventions directly to a health outcome).

Consistency was rated as reasonably consistent, inconsistent, or not applicable (e.g., single study). Precision was rated as reasonably precise, imprecise, or not applicable (e.g., no evidence). The body-of-evidence limitations reflects potential reporting bias, study quality, and other important restrictions in answering the overall KQ (e.g., lack of replication of interventions, nonreporting of outcomes important to patients).

We graded the overall strength of evidence as high, moderate, or low. "High" indicates high confidence that the evidence reflects the true effect and that further research is very unlikely to change our confidence in the estimate of effects. "Moderate" indicates moderate confidence that the evidence reflects the true effect and that further research may change our confidence in the estimate of effect and may change the estimate. "Low" indicates low confidence that the evidence reflects the true effect and that further research is likely to change our confidence in the estimate of effect and is likely to change the estimate. A grade of "insufficient" indicates that evidence is either unavailable or does not permit estimate of an effect. We developed our overall strength of evidence grade based on consensus discussion involving at least two reviewers.

Expert Review and Public Comment

A draft Research Plan was posted on the USPSTF Web site for public comment from June 29 to July 26, 2017. In response to public comment, the USPSTF provided a definition for MCI, clarified the specific etiologies of dementia that would be included, and clarified that studies conducted exclusively among people with potential reversible causes of dementia would be excluded. A final research plan was posted on the USPSTF Web site on October 19, 2017. We made no deviations from the final research plan in the conduct of this review.

USPSTF Involvement

We worked with four USPSTF members at key points throughout this review, particularly when determining the scope and methods and developing the Analytic Framework and KQs. The USPSTF members approved the final Analytic Framework, KQs, and inclusion and exclusion criteria after revisions reflecting the public comment period. AHRQ funded this review under a contract to support the work of the USPSTF. An AHRQ Medical Officer provided project oversight, reviewed the draft report, and assisted in the external review of the report.

Chapter 3. Results

We reviewed 8,397 abstracts and 845 articles for all KQs (**Appendix B**). Overall, we included 286 studies representing over 280,000 older adults. Ninety-one studies were newly identified in this update and 195 were carried forward from the preview review. Consistent with the previous review, no published studies were included that addressed the benefits and harms of screening (KQs 1 and 3). We included 59 studies (8 of which were new) that addressed the test accuracy of screening instruments (KQ 2) and another 224 trials (82 new) and 3 observational studies (1 new) that addressed the benefits and harms of treatment (KQs 4-5).

The lists of included studies and excluded studies (with reasons for exclusion) are available in **Appendix C** and **Appendix D**, respectively. Across all KQs, eight studies included in the previous review were excluded for poor quality upon re-review and an additional 36 new studies were excluded for poor quality due to several methodological issues (**Appendix D**).

Key Questions 1–3: Overall Summary of Results for Screening for Cognitive Impairment

No published trials examined the direct effect of screening for cognitive impairment on patient, caregiver, or societal outcomes, including decision-making outcomes. There is, however, one recently completed large trial (the CHOICE study, NCT01699503) that, per its protocol, is designed to contribute information about the benefits, harms, and costs of routine screening for dementia among older adults ages 65 and older in primary care in the United States. ¹²³ This trial was specifically designed and funded to address the lack of empirical data included in the previous USPSTF review. We discuss this trial, including our plans to incorporate its findings, in more detail below when discussing results for KQ 1.

We identified 59 studies that address the test accuracy of screening for MCI or dementia. Most of these studies were included in the prior USPSTF review; only eight studies were new. To be included in our review, the study had to assess the performance of an instrument that could be administered in less than 10 minutes or self-administered in less than 20 minutes. To facilitate discussion of results, we categorized these instruments as very brief (administered in ≤5 minutes), brief (within 6 to 10 minutes), or longer, self-administered tests (>10 minutes). We included 25 very brief instruments, 20 brief instruments, and 4 longer, self-administered instruments. All these instruments can be administered and scored with minimal training.

Despite a very large body of evidence examining cognitive screening instruments, most instruments have only been tested in a few well-designed studies in populations generalizable to primary care. The tests most relevant to screening in primary care are very brief instruments, with an administration time of 5 minutes or less. Eight very brief instruments were examined in more than one study (CDT, Lawton IADL, MIS, MSQ, Mini-Cog, VF, AD8, FAQ), with sensitivity to detect dementia usually at 0.75 or higher (range 0.43 to 1.0) and specificity at 0.80 or higher (range 0.54 to 1.0). The MMSE, a brief test taking 7-10 minutes to complete, remains the most studied instrument (k=32), but the administration time is longer than ideal for a first

step of screening for cognitive impairment in primary care. For the MMSE, the most commonly reported cut-points to detect dementia were ≤23 and ≤24, although higher and lower cut-points were evaluated in various studies. Pooled estimates across 15 studies (n=12,796) resulted in a sensitivity of 0.89 (95% CI, 0.85 to 0.92) and a specificity of 0.89 (95% CI, 0.85 to 0.93) at a cut-point of ≤ 23 or ≤ 24 for the MMSE. The range of sensitivity contributing to the pooled analysis was 0.77 to 1.0, and the range of specificity was 0.71 to 0.99. Even at cutoffs not pooled, the sensitivity remained at 0.75 or higher for all but one study and the specificity was 0.70 or higher for all but one study. The test accuracy of the MMSE to detect MCI was based on a much smaller body of literature (k=13) with a variety of cutoffs, and resulted in less consistent estimates for test accuracy, with a range in sensitivity from 0.20 to 0.93 and range in specificity from 0.48 to 0.93. The test accuracy of five additional brief tests (7MS, AMT, MoCA, SLUMS, TICS) was reported in more than one study, with sensitivity to detect dementia ranging from 0.74 to 1.0 and specificity ranging from 0.65 to 0.96. For self-administered, longer tests, only one instrument (the IQCODE) was assessed in more than one study, with sensitivity to detect dementia ranging from 0.80 to 0.88 and specificity ranging from 0.51 to 0.91. Across all instruments, test performance was generally higher in the detection of dementia versus mild cognitive impairment, although confidence intervals overlapped. Brief instruments appear to have slightly better test performance in detecting MCI and dementia than very brief instruments although, this difference is likely not statistically significantly different.

No studies directly addressed the adverse psychological effects of screening or adverse effects from false-positive or false-negative testing, although again, we expect the recently completed CHOICE study to contribute answers to this question.

Key Question 1. Does Screening for Cognitive Impairment in Community-Dwelling Older Adults in Primary Care—Relevant Settings Improve Decision Making, Patient-Family/Caregiver, Or Societal Outcomes?

Consistent with the previous review, we did not identify any published trial evidence that addressed whether screening in primary care has an impact on patient, family, clinician, or societal outcomes, including decision-making.

Per its published protocol, one recently completed U.S.-based large trial (NCT01699503) meets inclusion criteria for this review and is expected to contribute evidence to answer this question. Scientists from the Indiana University Center for Aging Research and Regenstrief Institute conducted a randomized controlled dementia screening trial called the CHOICE trial (Cognitive Health Outcomes Investigation of the Comparative Effectiveness). The trial was funded by the National Institute of Aging to provide empiric evidence to address this gap in the literature, as identified in the previous USPSTF review and recommendation. Within this trial, approximately 4,000 individuals ages 65 years and older without a diagnosis of dementia, cognitive impairment, or serious mental illness receiving care at primary care practices within two cities in Indiana were randomized to either screening for dementia using the very brief screening tool, MIS-T, or no screening for dementia. Adults who screened positive for dementia and were subsequently found through diagnostic assessment to have dementia were referred to

the local Aging Brain Care program, which delivers an evidence-based collaborative care model for dementia and depression and is modeled after one of the care management trials included in our review. Primary outcomes, measured at 1, 6, and 12 months, included patients' health-related QOL, mood, and anxiety. The intended secondary outcome was the cost effectiveness of dementia screening in primary care. Measures of advance care planning information (e.g., having power of attorney for health care and/or financial affairs, having a living will, and having life and additional insurance policies) were also intended to be captured. The trial is registered as complete as of November 2017 and published results are expected in 2019. Our hope is to include the findings from this study in the final version of this review.

Key Question 2. What Is the Accuracy of Screening Instruments to Detect Cognitive Impairment in Community-Dwelling Older Adults?

We identified 59 studies (n=38,531) that addressed the accuracy of cognitive impairment screening instruments (**Appendix C**);¹²⁴⁻¹⁸⁰ eight of these studies were newly identified and the other 51 were included in the previous review (**Table 2**).

Study and Population Characteristics

Approximately half of the studies (k=25) were conducted in the United States. The remainder were conducted in Germany (k=6), Australia (k=4), the United Kingdom (k=4), Spain (k=3), France (k=3), South Korea (k=3), Finland (k=2), Ireland (k=2), Taiwan (k=2), and Canada, the Netherlands, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Sweden (1 each). The number of participants screened ranged from 46 to 8805. Thirty-four studies recruited fully or partially from the community and 23 recruited partially or fully from primary care. The remaining two studies recruited patients from either an insurance list¹⁶² or ex-servicemen who were prisoners of war in Japan during World War II. 151 Forty-seven of the 59 studies reported the test accuracy to detect dementia and 35 reported the test accuracy to detect cognitive impairment (inclusive of MCI as well as MCI and dementia combined). Among the 59 studies, the prevalence of cognitive impairment varied widely; dementia ranged from 1 to 47 percent (k=51), mild cognitive impairment (k=29) ranged from 10 to 52 percent, and the prevalence of cognitive impairment (inclusive of MCI and dementia, k=22) ranged from 17 to 90 percent. Mean age ranged from 68 to 95. Percent female ranged from 0 to 100. Race/ethnicity was only reported in 21 studies; six were predominantly or entirely Asian, 11 were predominantly or entirely white, three were predominantly or entirely black, and one was fairly evenly distributed between white, black, and Hispanic. Education was reported in 22 studies with a wide range of education levels; mean years of education ranged from 5 to 16 and those with more than a high school education ranged from 4 to 73 percent.

Instrument and Reference Standard Characteristics

We categorized the screening tests by administration time: very brief (≤5 minutes), brief (6-10 minutes), and longer (>10 minutes, self-administered) (**Table 3**). Of the 59 included studies, 49 screening tests were evaluated. Very few were evaluated in more than one study. Full names that correspond to instrument abbreviations are provided in **Table 3.** Most of the tests (25) fall into

the very brief (≤5 minutes) category. The very brief tests are: 3-Word, 6-Item Screener, AD8, CDT, CoDEx, Dubois 5-Word, FAQ, GPCOG, HVLT, single-item informant memory report, Katz ADL, Lawton IADL, M@T subtests, MF-2, Mini-Cog, MIS/MIS-T, MSQ/SPMSQ, OMC, self-reported subjective memory impairment, STMS, Sweet 16, TMT, TYM subtests, VAT, and VF. The brief tests (20 tests) are: 7MS, AMT, FCR, FOME-abbreviated, Immediate recall, Kendrick, Labyrinth, M@T, MMblind, MMSE, MoCA, OT, SBT, SLUMS, SMMSE, Storandt, TICS/TICS-M, TYM, and Word List Learning, and Word List Recognition. The longer tests (4 tests) are: CAMCI, CAST, CIDS/SCIDS, and IQCODE/Short IQCODE. The tests were typically administered by clinical staff; in a few cases, they were self-administered. Most of the screening instruments directly assessed the cognitive function of the patient (with a few also evaluating physical function), but five queried only the informant (IQCODE, CIDS, FAQ, AD8, and single-item informant memory report), and one collected information from the patient and informant (GPCOG). The cognitive domains assessed varied, but most of the tests addressed memory.

The reference standard used to diagnose dementia or MCI usually consisted of a neuropsychological battery of tests and often was supplemented by a clinical examination, laboratory testing, imaging, assessment of depression and physical function, and/or an informant interview. The reference standard was administered by research staff, neurologists, psychiatrists, psychologists, psychometricians, physicians, and/or nurses, and the diagnosis was usually made by consensus. DSM-IV, DSM-III-R, or DSM-III criteria were most often used to diagnose dementia, sometimes in conjunction with NINCDS-ADRDA¹⁸¹ (for Alzheimer's) and NINDS-AIREN¹⁸² (for vascular dementia) criteria. No studies used DSM-5 criteria. MCI was more variably diagnosed, with criteria including that from the International Working Group on MCI,¹² performance ≥1 or 1.5 SD below normal, performance <10th percentile in at least one cognitive test, a CDR of 0.5, reported impairment that did not meet the criteria for dementia, criteria developed by Petersen,¹⁸³ criteria developed by a specific ADRC, or NINCDS-ADRDA (for amnestic MCI).

We rated 10 studies as good quality and 49 studies as fair quality. Studies that were rated fair quality had a higher risk of bias due to patient selection (volunteers or limited information on how patients were recruited), partial verification (only a subset of participants who screened negative received the full reference standard), incorporation (the screening test was one of the tests included in the reference standard or not independently administered), or disease progression (a lag between the administration of the reference standard and the screening test).

Below we report the test accuracy results grouped by category of screening instrument based on test administration time. Results for all instruments, including those only evaluated in one study, are presented in **Tables 4–6**. Narrative results are only provided for instruments that were evaluated in more than one study.

Very Brief Instruments (≤5 minutes)

The accuracy of 25 very brief screening tests to identify dementia or cognitive impairment was evaluated in 31 studies (n=22,359) (**Table 4**). Only eight very brief tests were reported in more than one study (**Figure 2**). Very brief tests evaluated in only one study are shown in **Figure 3**; these tests had wide variation in sensitivity and specificity and are not discussed in detail. The eight tests evaluated in at least two studies included six tests administered to patients: the CDT

(k=9), MIS/MIS-T (k=5), MSQ/SPMSQ (k=4), Mini-Cog (k=4), verbal fluency (k=6), Lawton IADL (k=2), and two that were informant-based: the AD8 (k=3) and FAQ (k=2). Among all very brief screening tests, sensitivity was generally higher in the detection of dementia compared with the detection of cognitive impairment (inclusive of MCI alone or MCI and dementia diagnoses), although the confidence intervals often overlapped, and the cutoffs were not always adjusted to identify a lower level of impairment. Sensitivity and specificity to detect dementia was above 0.75 (range 0.43 to 1.0) and 0.80 (range 0.54 to 1.0) (respectively) for most studies, while sensitivity and specificity to detect cognitive impairment (MCI alone or MCI and dementia diagnoses) was less consistent.

For the CDT, the sensitivity to detect dementia ranged from 0.75 to 0.98 (95% CI range, 0.61 to 1.0) and specificity ranged from 0.81 to 0.94 (95% CI range, 0.76 to 0.97) (k=4). To detect cognitive impairment, sensitivity ranged from 0.41 to 0.85 (95% CI range, 0.34 to 0.97) and the specificity ranged from 0.44 to 0.83 (95% CI range, 0.33 to 0.87) (k=4). For the Mini-Cog (the CDT plus 3-item word recall), sensitivity ranged from 0.76 to 1.0 (95% CI range, 0.54 to 1.0) to detect dementia (k=4) and from 0.39 to 0.84 (95% CI range, 0.34 to 0.88) to detect cognitive impairment (k=3). Specificity ranged from 0.54 to 0.85 (95% CI range, 0.43 to 0.88) to detect dementia (k=4) and from 0.73 to 0.88 (95% CI range, 0.45 to 0.92) to detect cognitive impairment (k=3). Two studies evaluated the Lawton IADL at various cutoffs (≤ 4 and 6.5); sensitivity ranged from 0.89 to 0.91 (95% CI range, 0.81 to 0.96) and specificity ranged from 0.81 to 0.86 (95% CI range, 0.80 to 0.89). For the MIS/MIS-T at a cutoff of ≤ 4 , sensitivity to detect dementia ranged from 0.43 to 0.86 (95% CI range, 0.24 to 0.94) and specificity ranged from 0.85 to 0.97 (95% CI range, 0.82 to 0.99) (k=5). Test accuracy did not differ by version (MIS versus MIS-T), but the study with the lowest prevalence of dementia had the poorest performance. Only one study evaluated the MIS (4-item free and cued recall) to detect cognitive impairment, with sensitivity of 0.17 (95% CI, 0.13 to 0.22) and specificity of 0.98 (95% CI, 0.96 to 0.99) using the same cutoff of \leq 4. The MSQ and the SPMSQ (a shorter version derived from the MSQ) were only evaluated to detect dementia with a range in sensitivity of 0.92 to 1.0 (95% CI range, 0.44 to 1.0) and range in specificity of 0.83 to 1.0 (95% CI range, 0.76 to 1.0) (k=4). Test performance did not differ by the version (MSO versus the shorter version derived from the MSQ, the SPMSQ). For verbal fluency tests (category or names), sensitivity to detect dementia ranged from 0.68 to 0.98 (95% CI range, 0.48 to 1.0) and specificity ranged from 0.81 to 0.89 (95% CI range, 0.76 to 0.92) (k=5). These studies did not examine the test accuracy to detect cognitive impairment using verbal fluency tests.

Two very brief instruments queried the informant—the AD8 and the FAQ. The AD8 was evaluated in three studies and the FAQ in two. The sensitivity of the AD8 to detect dementia ranged from 0.88 to 0.91 (95% CI range, 0.79 to 0.96) and the specificity ranged from 0.84 to 0.91 (95% CI range, 0.83 to 0.94) (k=2). To detect cognitive impairment, the sensitivity ranged from 0.74 to 0.85 (95% CI range, 0.62 to 0.90)—the lower value corresponding to the assessment of MCI without dementia and the upper value corresponding to cognitive impairment inclusive of MCI and dementia—and the specificity was the same for both at 0.86 (95% CI, 0.78 to 0.91). The sensitivity of the FAQ to detect dementia ranged from 0.87 to 0.94 (95% CI range, 0.62 to 0.98) and the specificity ranged from 0.82 to 0.84 (95% CI, 0.75 to 0.88). To detect cognitive impairment, the sensitivity was 0.73 (95% CI, 0.63 to 0.81) and the specificity was 0.73 (95% CI, 0.61 to 0.82).

Brief Instruments (6–10 Minutes)

The accuracy of 20 brief screening tests to identify dementia or cognitive impairment was evaluated in 48 studies (n=29,950) (**Table 5**). Only six brief tests were evaluated in two or more studies (**Figure 4**). The other 14 brief tests evaluated in only one study are shown in **Figure 5**. All six tests that were evaluated in at least two studies were administered to patients and include: the MMSE (k=32), 7MS (k=2), AMT (k=5), MoCA (k=5), SLUMS (k=2), and TICS/TICS-M (k=4).

The instrument most widely evaluated in the included studies was the MMSE (k=32; n=25,209). The bivariate pooled analysis for the MMSE at a cutoff of \leq 23 or \leq 24 to identify dementia (\leq 23 is the recommended cutoff) resulted in a sensitivity of 0.89 (95% CI, 0.85 to 0.92; I^2 =73.8%) and a specificity of 0.89 (95% CI, 0.85 to 0.93; I^2 =97.7%) (k=15, n=12,796) (**Figure 6**). At cutoffs that were not pooled (\leq 18 to \leq 29.5), the sensitivity of the MMSE to detect dementia ranged from 0.38 to 1.0 (95% CI range, 0.18 to 0.99) and the specificity ranged from 0.67 to 0.96 (95% CI range, 0.53 to 0.99) (**Figure 7**). To detect cognitive impairment, and at a variety of cutoffs (\leq 20 to \leq 29.5), the sensitivity ranged from 0.20 to 0.93 (95% CI range, 0.06 to 1.0) and specificity ranged from 0.48 to 0.93 (95% CI range, 0.42 to 0.97). Use of a higher cut-off (i.e., higher than the recommended \leq 23) does not appear to increase the ability to detect cognitive impairment. The study with the poorest test performance (sensitivity of 0.48 and specificity of 0.48) used a very high cutoff (\leq 29.5 out of a score of 30).

Five additional brief tests were evaluated in more than one study (**Figure 4**). The sensitivity of the 7MS (n=553) to detect dementia was 1.0 in two studies (95% CI range, 0.77 to 1.0) and specificity ranged from 0.95 to 0.96 (95% CI range, 0.91 to 0.98). For the AMT, sensitivity to detect dementia ranged from 0.92 to 1.0 (95% CI range, 0.16 to 1.0) and the specificity ranged from 0.83 to 0.95 (95% CI range, 0.68 to 0.99) (k=2). For the MoCA, sensitivity to detect dementia ranged from 0.78 to 1.0 (95% CI range, 51 to 1.0) and specificity ranged from 0.65 to 0.94 (95% CI range, 0.55 to 0.96) (k=4). To detect cognitive impairment, sensitivity ranged from 0.72 to 0.94 (95% CI range, 0.58 to 0.97) and specificity ranged from 0.75 to 0.84 (95% CI range, 0.61 to 0.90) (k=3). For the SLUMS, to detect dementia, sensitivity for two education subgroups (with different cutoffs selected for each group) ranged from 0.98 to 1.0 (95% CI range, 0.88 to 1.0) and specificity ranged from 0.65 to 0.69 (95% CI range, 0.61 to 0.75). To detect cognitive impairment, sensitivity ranged from 0.74 to 0.95 (95% CI range, 0.61 to 0.98) and specificity ranged from 0.65 to 0.87 (95% CI range, 0.51 to 0.91) (k=2). For the TICS/TICS-M, sensitivity to detect dementia ranged from 0.74 to 0.88 (95% CI range, 0.55 to 0.95) and specificity ranged from 0.87 to 0.93 (95% CI range, 0.83 to 0.95) (k=2). To detect cognitive impairment, sensitivity ranged from 0.71 to 0.82 (95% CI range, 0.53 to 0.94) and specificity ranged from 0.77 to 0.87 (95% CI range, 0.71 to 0.94) (k=3).

Longer, Self-Administered Instruments (>10 Minutes)

The test accuracy of four longer, self-administered tests was reported in eight studies (n=2,271) (**Table 6; Figure 8**). The tests were the CAMCI (k=1), CAST (k=1), CIDS/SCIDS (k=1), and IQCODE/IQCODE-Short (k=5).

The most common instruments evaluated were the full 26-item IQCODE and the 12-item IQCODE-Short. To screen for dementia, sensitivity ranged from 0.80 to 0.83 (95% CI range, 0.55 to 0.97) and specificity ranged from 0.51 to 0.91 (95% CI range, 0.46 to 0.94) (k=4). For detection of cognitive impairment, sensitivity ranged from 0.71 to 0.82 (95% CI range, 0.54 to 0.87) and specificity ranged from 0.69 to 0.92 (95% CI range, 0.63 to 0.95) (k=3). The other three tests were reported in only one study each and reported sensitivity of 0.83 or higher and specificity of 0.87 or higher to detect dementia or cognitive impairment.

Key Question 3. What Are the Harms of Screening for Cognitive Impairment in Community-Dwelling Older Adults?

We found no studies that directly addressed potential adverse psychological effects from screening, adverse effects from unnecessary diagnostic testing (workup for false-positives), adverse effects from labeling or treating someone with dementia without diagnostic testing (false-positives without appropriate followup), or adverse effects from missed or delayed diagnosis (false-negatives). Based on the test accuracy studies included for KQ 2 where most very brief tests had a sensitivity of 75 percent or higher and a specificity of 80 percent or higher, very brief tests could result in up to 20 percent false positives and 25 percent false negatives among older adults screened for dementia. The brief tests performed somewhat better and would likely yield fewer false positives and false negatives; for example, the pooled MMSE resulted in 89 percent sensitivity and 90 percent specificity, which yields approximately 10 percent for both false positives and false negatives.

Key Questions 4, 5: Overall Summary of Results for Treatment and Management of Cognitive Impairment

We identified 224 trials representing over 50,000 patients and/or caregivers and three cohort studies with over 190,000 patients that addressed the treatment or management of MCI or mild to moderate dementia (**Table 7**; **Appendix C**). Forty-eight trials plus three observational studies addressed the benefits and harms of AChEIs and memantine, 29 trials addressed other medications and supplements, 61 trials addressed nonpharmacologic patient-level interventions, and 88 trials addressed caregiver and caregiver-patient dyad interventions (**Table 8**). Just over one-third of this evidence (82/224 studies) was newly identified, with most new evidence related to nonpharmacologic patient-level interventions and caregiver interventions. We discuss the benefits and harms of each type of intervention separately due to the broad range of interventions we examined.

Overall, based on 48 trials (n=22,431) that evaluated **AChEIs** (i.e., donepezil [k=18;n=6,209], galantamine [k=10; n=7,464], rivastigmine [k=8; n=4,569]) and **memantine** (k=12; n=4,189), these medications may improve measures of global cognitive function in the short term, but the magnitude of change is small. In meta-analyses, the differences in changes between those on AChEIs or memantine compared with those on placebo ranged from approximately 1 to 2.5 points on the ADAS-Cog-11 (scale range 0-70) and 0.5 to 1 point on the MMSE (scale range 0-30) over 3 months to 3 years of followup (**Table 9**). There was no clear pattern of effects across outcomes that suggested greater benefit of one medication over another. AChEIs and memantine

appeared to increase the likelihood of improving or maintaining patients' global function by 15 percent (for memantine) to 50 percent (for rivastigmine) in the short term (pooled 95% CI range, 0.49 to 2.69); change at longer followup was not reported. Outcome measures of physical function were only reported in about half the trials and showed mixed results. Other important measures such as neuropsychiatric symptoms and rates of institutionalization were rarely reported; no medication trials included measures of QOL. Only eight trials of medications examined outcomes beyond 6 months, and generally found persistent effects that were consistent with outcomes from shorter timeframes.

Most of the available evidence on the effectiveness of FDA-approved medications came from trials involving people with dementia, particularly among those with moderate versus mild forms of dementia, mostly commonly Alzheimer's disease. Four trials (n=1,919) tested these medications in people with MCI; these trials, testing donepezil and memantine, showed no benefit on global cognitive function. The mean age of participants across medication trials was 74 years old. Only one trial reported an outcome of progression of MCI to AD, finding no differences in the rate of conversion between those on donepezil versus placebo at 3 years.

Overall, side effects from these medications were quite common. Adverse events (AEs) were reported in all 48 trials (n=22,431) in addition to 3 large observational studies (n=190,076). Discontinuation was more common with AChEIs than placebo (13% withdrew for donepezil and rivastigmine, 14% for galantamine, and 8% for placebo) (**Table 9**). Total AEs were also statistically significantly higher for all three types of AChEI versus placebo. In trials that tested various doses of medications, there was some evidence of slightly higher total AEs and withdrawals among arms receiving the higher doses than those with a lower dose (i.e., 10mg vs. 5mg donepezil, 32mg vs. 24mg galantamine, and 6-12mg vs. 1-4mg rivastigmine) although no formal tests of differences between these groups were reported. Memantine appeared to be better tolerated (8% withdrew), with no difference in discontinuation rates or total AEs compared with placebo. Overall, there did not appear to be a difference in total serious adverse events (SAEs) for these medications across trials with limited duration of followup. However, individual studies, including observational evidence, reported increased rates of bradycardia, and relatedly, of syncope, falls, and need for pacemaker placement among those exposed versus unexposed to AChEIs.

Twenty-nine trials (n=6,489) evaluated **other medications or supplements**, including antihypertensives, HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors (atorvastatin and simvastatin), NSAIDs (ibuprofen, naproxen, indomethacin, and celecoxib), gonadal steroids (estrogen [plus or minus progesterone] and testosterone), and dietary supplements and vitamins (multivitamins, B vitamins, vitamin E, and omega-3 fatty acids). None of these had any benefit on global cognition or physical function in people with mild to moderate dementia or MCI (mean age=75 years). Twenty-one of the trials (n=5,688) reported on harms with harms not clearly significantly increased in intervention groups compared with control groups.

We identified 61 trials (n=7,847) that evaluated **nonpharmacologic patient-level interventions**, including cognitive-focused, exercise, and multicomponent and other interventions. In general, these trials were quite small and of limited duration. The body of evidence represented both people with dementia and those with MCI, with a mean age of 76 years across trials. Among all

interventions, there was no clear benefit on global or domain-specific measures of cognitive function compared with control conditions at 3 months to 2 years followup among people with MCI or dementia (Table 9). Effect estimates generally favored the intervention groups over control groups, but the magnitude of effect was inconsistent across trials and represented very wide CIs (ranging from no effect to a large effect). While a pooled analysis of cognitive training, stimulation, and rehabilitation intervention trials found a small, statistically significant mean difference of 1.33 points on MMSE scores (95% CI, 0.29 to 2.37; k=15) favoring cognitivefocused interventions compared with control conditions at 3 to 12 months followup, there was substantial clinical and statistical heterogeneity given these inconsistencies. Furthermore, combining eight trials that reported change in ADAS-Cog scores found a slightly greater improvement of 0.66 points (scale range 0-70 where higher scores indicate greater cognitive impairment) among intervention vs. control group participants, but this difference was not statistically significant (MD, -0.66 [05% CI, -1.60 to 0.29]. There was no evidence that the effect of the interventions was modified based on study, population, or intervention characteristics and no evidence of longer-term effects (up to 2 years) on cognitive function. Physical function outcomes, including change in ADLs and IADLs, as well as QOL and mental and neuropsychiatric symptoms, were inconsistently reported. Cognitive training, stimulation, and rehabilitation interventions consistently resulted in very little change over time in both intervention and control groups or small and relatively equal decline in these measures from baseline to 3 months to 2 years, and few trials reported any statistically significant benefit. For trials of exercise interventions, pooled, conservative estimates of differences in measures of global cognitive function show no to small effects based on the MMSE (MD, 1.17 [95% CI, 0.45 to 1.90]; k=10, n=1,168) and ADAS-Cog (MD, -1.05 [95% CI, -1.60 to 0.29]; k=8; n=1,071) at 3 to 12 months followup. There was, however, a pattern of effect for exercise interventions, with small improvements seen in measures of physical function and symptoms for intervention groups, whereas control groups reported worsening function. The clinical meaningfulness of these differences, however, and the possibility of selective reporting limit this finding. There was no consistent benefit of multicomponent and other patient-level interventions across outcomes. Little harm was evident in the few (k=12, n=2,370) trials that reported harms.

Finally, we included 88 trials (n=14,880) that evaluated the effect of multiple types of **caregiver or caregiver-patient dyad interventions**. Most of the caregiver and caregiver-patient dyad trials randomized greater than 100 participants or dyads, and almost half of the trials took place in the United States (40/88). These trials followed participants for slightly longer durations than the patient-focused intervention trials, with just about half of the trials following participants for 1 year or longer. Over half of the trials targeted caregivers only, while the remaining targeted both the patient and caregiver or the entire family. Almost all included evidence pertained to patients (or their caregivers) with dementia; very few had evidence pertaining to patients with MCI. Also, most trials represented patients with moderate as opposed to mild dementia with a mean age across trials of 78 years.

Overall, there was a consistent benefit of psychoeducation and care and case management interventions on caregiver burden and depression outcomes (**Table 9**). Effect sizes were mostly small, however, and were of unclear clinical significance. Psychoeducation interventions resulted in a small but statistically significant benefit on caregiver burden at 3 to 12 months (standardized mean difference [SMD], -0.24 [95% CI, -0.36 to -0.13]; k=27; n=2,776; I^2 =50.2%) and a

medium effect on caregiver burden was seen for care and case management interventions (SMD, -0.54 [95% CI, -0.85 to -0.22]; k=8; n=1,215; $I^2=82.9\%$). The clinical importance of these changes in self-reported caregiver burden scores is unclear, however, with these standardized effects translating to a between-group difference of approximately 2 to 4 points on the Zarit-22 (scale range 0-88), the equivalent of changing from being bothered "always" to "sometimes" or "almost never" on 1 or 2 of the 22 items. Similarly, small effect sizes were seen for caregiver depression outcomes. Across both outcomes and across trials, the 95% confidence intervals of the study-level between-group differences were often wide, suggesting a range in benefit (or lack thereof) across participants. There was no evidence in our meta-regressions that one type of intervention (psychoeducation vs. care or case management vs. other caregiver or caregiver-patient dyad interventions) was more effective than the others on measures of caregiver burden or caregiver depression. Likewise, there were no study, population, or intervention characteristics that consistently and robustly predicted larger effects on caregiver burden or depression outcomes.

Other outcomes such as caregiver or patient QOL, rates or time to institutionalization, patient mental health and neuropsychiatric symptoms, and patient functional ability were sparsely reported across the trials with no consistent evidence of a benefit. Decision-making and preparation for meeting dementia-related needs were only reported by one trial each with neither finding statistically significant benefit of the interventions versus control conditions on overall scores for these measures. Only four trials (n=486) reported monitoring harms related to the intervention, and no harms were evident.

Key Question 4. Do Interventions for Mild to Moderate Dementia or Mild Cognitive Impairment in Community-Dwelling Older Adults Improve Decision Making, Patient, Family/Caregiver, or Societal Outcomes?

Key Question 5. What Are the Harms of Interventions for Mild to Moderate Dementia or Mild Cognitive Impairment in Community-Dwelling Older Adults?

Pharmacological Interventions

AChEIs and Memantine

In all, 48 fair- to good-quality RCTs (n=22,431) evaluated the effectiveness and harms of AChEIs or memantine for cognitive impairment. We identified 18 donepezil trials (n=6,209), 184-201 10 galantamine trials (n=7,464), 202-211 8 rivastigmine trials (n=4,569) 212-219 and 12 memantine trials (n=4,189). 220-231 Six trials are new, including one on donepezil, 189 one on galantamine, 205 and four on memantine. 221, 222, 224, 227 Three additional, large observational studies (n=190,076), including one new study, evaluated harms related to AChEIs. 232-234

The primary effectiveness outcomes for trials of pharmacologic interventions were measures of global cognitive function and global function (often referred to as overall dementia severity). The ADAS-Cog-11 and MMSE were the most commonly used instruments for assessing global cognitive function. The ADAS-Cog-11 consists of 11 parts including a word recall task, naming objects and fingers, following commands, constructional praxis, ideational praxis, orientation, word recognition task, remembering test directions, spoken language, comprehension, and wordfinding difficulty. The total score ranges from 0-70 and captures the errors for each task; the greater the cognitive impairment, the greater the score. The MMSE combines scores from the five cognitive domains of orientation (10 points), memory (3 points for registration and 3 points for recall), attention/calculation (5 points), language (8 points), and visuospatial abilities (1 point) for a total score ranging from 0-30 where lower scores indicate greater cognitive impairment. Global function was almost exclusively reported as a measure of the clinician's impression of change, typically assessed with the CIBIC+. The CIBIC+ is a comprehensive global measure of detectable change in cognition, function, and behavior based on separate interviews with the patient and an informant. Clinicians assess any change in the patients' condition from baseline with a score ranging from 1 to 7, where 1=very much improved, 4=no change, and 7=very much worse. Other measures of global function such as the Global Deterioration Scale (a clinician's rating based on cognitive change only) were less commonly used. Less than half of the trials of pharmacotherapy reported the effects of the medications on patients' physical function and mental or neuropsychiatric symptoms and no studies reported the effects on QOL. Harms related outcomes were reported by all the included trials.

Study, population, and intervention characteristics of all included studies are presented in **Table 10** and **Table 11**. A summary of results is provided in **Table 12** and detailed results for each outcome are provided in **Appendix E**.

Donepezil

Study and Population Characteristics

Eighteen fair- to good-quality trials involving 6,209 participants evaluated the effectiveness of donepezil for cognitive impairment. Eleven studies (61%) recruited patients partially or fully from the United States. Studies lasted a median of 6 months, with a range of 3 to 36 months. Fifteen studies evaluated donepezil for dementia, while three evaluated donepezil for MCI. The mean baseline MMSE for participants was 22.0, and 52 percent of study participants were women. Most donepezil trials enrolled participants with AD (k=11, n=2,827), but two trials enrolled participants with VaD (n=1,219),^{184,200} two trials enrolled participants with LBD (n=282),^{189,193} and three trials enrolled participants with MCI (n=1,881).^{186,194,197} Only one donepezil study was published since the last review – a study of 142 participants with LBD.¹⁸⁹ Only seven studies reported on race, and these described overwhelmingly white samples: 87 percent in one study and 92 to 100 percent in the others. Only two studies reported on education, with one study reporting a mean of 15 years of education for the sample,¹⁹⁷ and the other study reporting that 53 percent of the sample had 8 to 15 years of education and 47 percent had more than 15 years of education.¹⁸⁶

Intervention Characteristics

The daily dosage of donepezil ranged from 1 to 10 mg, with all trials using 5 to 10 mg per day in at least one trial arm. Most studies started participants on doses of 5 mg per day, increasing to 10 mg per day after 2 to 6 weeks. All control participants were given placebo.

Results

Cognitive function. Differences in global cognitive function favoring donepezil were statistically significant, but generally small and of unclear clinical significance. Fourteen of the 18 studies had sufficient data to meta-analyze cognitive function results using the ADAS-Cog or the MMSE. For ADAS-Cog scores, the pooled between-group mean difference in change was 2.13 points in favor of the intervention group (95% CI, -3.32 to -0.94; k=6; n=1,981; I^2 =64.4%) (**Figure 9**), usually from an improvement in the intervention group of 1 to 4 points and no change or a decline in the placebo group of up to 4 points. Most studies reported differences at 6 months. Only one study followed participants for more than 12 months; ¹⁹⁴ the difference in ADAS-Cog scores for the group treated with donepezil and the group on placebo gradually decreased in magnitude between 6 months and 36 months, but the difference was not statistically significant at any time. Consistent with the findings from the meta-analysis, two studies reported a higher percentage of patients treated with donepezil compared to the placebo group improving by 4 points or more on the ADAS-Cog 13 (37% versus 16% [p=0.02]¹⁹⁸ and 50% versus 32% [pvalue not reported]¹⁹⁷). For MMSE scores, the pooled between-group mean difference in change over 3 to 36 months was 1.24 points (95% CI, 0.81 to 1.67; k=12; n=3,192; I^2 =65.3%,) (**Figure** 10), usually from no change or an improvement of up to 2 points in those on donepezil and no change or a decline of up to 3 points in those on placebo. In the one study that reported longer followup the MMSE score of both the group treated with donepezil and the group on placebo declined over time and the magnitude and direction of the difference between the two groups remained consistent and not statistically significant. 194 The Egger's test of bias was statistically significant (p=0.015) for results for the MMSE indicating a small studies effect, which is a marker of potential publication bias. Due to this potential bias, the pooled estimate may overestimate the true effect.

Findings were similar for all types of cognitive impairment, including AD, LBD, VaD, and MCI. Six donepezil studies reported outcomes on at least one specific cognitive domain. There was no evidence of significant differences in language or memory between participants exposed to donepezil compared with those exposed to placebo, while results were mixed regarding differences in attention or executive functioning between groups.

Global function. Thirteen of the 18 donepezil trials reported global function using measures such as the CIBIC+ or the Clinical Dementia Rating Scale Sum of Boxes. Most trials reported a benefit of donepezil as compared with placebo. In a pooled analysis, participants taking donepezil had a 31 percent higher likelihood of improving or maintaining their global function at 3 to 12 months compared with those on placebo (RR, 1.31 [95% CI, 1.12 to 1.53]; k=9; n=2,440; I^2 =77.4%) (**Figure 11**). Likewise, when looking at continuous measures of global function, there was a small, statistically significant association between donepezil and higher global function at 3 to 11 months (SMD, -0.24 [95% CI, -0.39 to -0.09]; k=8; n=3,302; I^2 =70.7%) (**Figure 12**).

Physical function. Only 7 of 18 donepezil trials reported a measure of physical function. Studies used a wide variety of instruments to measure ADLs or IADLs or a combination of these; only two studies used the same instrument (the ADFACS). Four of these trials reported a statistically significant difference in favor of those randomized to donepezil. While the remaining three trials did not report a statistically significant difference, their results favored the intervention in that they declined less than those on placebo or improved at followup. However, these changes were very small; for example, an improvement of 1–2 points on a scale from 0-100.

Neuropsychiatric symptoms. Six donepezil studies evaluated behavioral and neuropsychiatric symptoms in their trials using the 10- or 12-item Neuropsychiatric Inventory, with mixed findings. Three studies found significant differences in behavioral and neuropsychiatric symptoms between donepezil and placebo groups at 3 to 6 months^{187, 188, 193} whereas the other three studies did not find such differences over 3 to 11 months. ^{186, 189, 199} Of note, in one study of 140 patients with LBD, differences in the Neuropsychiatric Inventory that favored the intervention were seen in those exposed to 5 and to 10 mg of donepezil per day but not those exposed to 3 mg per day. ¹⁹³

Other outcomes. A 3-year study of 769 people with MCI that investigated both donepezil and vitamin E reported progression to AD. ¹⁹⁴ While donepezil was associated with a lower rate of progression from MCI to AD at the end of years 1 (HR=0.42 [95% CI, 0.24 to 0.76]) and 2 (HR=0.64 [95% CI, 0.44 to 0.95]), the rate of progression from MCI to AD at 3 years was not different between donepezil and placebo groups (HR=0.80 [95% CI, 0.57 to 1.13]). Three studies showed a decrease in caregiver burden (two as measured by the Zarit-22). ^{188, 189, 193} This decrease, however, was not always statistically significant and often small (change from baseline ranging from an improvement of 5 points to a decline of 1 point for the caregivers in the group treated with donepezil and from no improvement to a decline of 4 points for caregivers in the control group). Other outcomes, including QOL and rates of institutionalization, were not reported in trials of donepezil. While many of these studies reported mortality as part of their patient tracking throughout the trial, these studies were not designed or powered to detect mortality differences between groups.

Harms. All 18 trials and one observational study reported potential harms of donepezil. Total AEs were statistically significantly higher in the group receiving donepezil (84%) versus the control group (76%) with a pooled RR of 1.10 (95% CI, 1.06 to 1.13; k=12; n=3,212; I^2 =0%) (figure not shown). The most commonly reported adverse events with donepezil were diarrhea and nausea. SAEs were not statistically significantly different between intervention (12%) and control groups (10%) in our meta-analysis (RR, 1.18, [95% CI, 0.99 to 1.40]; k=12; n=4,045; I^2 =0%) (**Figure 13**), although results of individual trials were mixed with some suggesting up to a 70 percent greater risk of SAEs in control participants and others reporting up to an 80 percent greater risk among those on donepezil. Furthermore, individual studies reported increased rates of bradycardia, and, relatedly, of syncope, falls and need for pacemaker placement. $I^{232, 233}$ Study withdrawals due to adverse events were statistically significantly higher in patients receiving donepezil (13%) than in patients receiving placebo (8%) (RR, 1.88 [95% CI, 1.54 to 2.29]; k=13; n=4,124; I^2 =8.8%) (**Figure 14**).

Galantamine

Study and Population Characteristics

Ten fair- to good-quality trials enrolling 7,464 participants assessed the effectiveness of galantamine for cognitive impairment. Only one galantamine study—of 2,045 participants with AD—was published after the last review.²⁰⁵ Five studies (50%) recruited patients in part or fully from the United States. Trials were conducted for 3 to 12 months, with a median of 6 months. All galantamine studies recruited patients with dementia; most studies (k=8; n=6,084) enrolled patients with AD, while one study enrolled patients with VaD (n=788)²⁰² and one study enrolled patients with AD (48%), VaD (43%), or other dementias (9%) (n=592).²⁰⁴ None of the trials of galantamine included patients with MCI. The mean baseline MMSE score was 19.1, and 59 percent of participants were women. Six studies reported race, with white participants accounting for 91 to 100 percent of the sample. Only one galantamine study characterized the education level of the sample; it reported a mean education of 11 years.²⁰⁷

Intervention Characteristics

The daily dosage of galantamine ranged from 8 to 36 mg, with most trials giving 16 to 24 mg per day. Studies generally titrated doses weekly to monthly until the target dose was reached. All control participants were given placebo.

Results

Cognitive function. All 10 studies of galantamine reported the effect of the medication on global cognitive function, using the ADAS-Cog or the MMSE. The pooled between-group mean differences in change in the ADAS-Cog score was 2.13 points in favor of those randomized to receive galantamine (MD, -2.13; 95% CI, -2.94 to -1.32; k=9; n=3,786; I^2 =65.9%) over 3 to 6 months (**Figure 9**). Four studies^{204, 208-210} reported a higher percentage of patients treated with galantamine compared to the placebo group improving by 4 points or more on the ADAS-Cog 11 (difference in proportion improving between groups ranging from 12 to 17 percent, with three studies reporting statistically significant differences). Only one study of 1,765 patients with AD reported MMSE findings,²⁰⁵ with a mean between-group difference of 0.58 points (95% CI, 0.26 to 0.90) over 12 months (**Figure 10**). There was no apparent difference in the effectiveness of galantamine among those with AD versus VaD.

Global function. Nine of the 10 galantamine studies reported a global function outcome. Eight of these reported global function outcomes using the CIBIC+ dichotomized according to the number of patients whose global function was maintained or improved versus those whose global function declined over time. The relative risk indicated a 21 percent higher likelihood of improvement or maintenance in global functioning among those on galantamine versus placebo at 3 to 6 months (RR, 1.21 [95% CI, 1.11 to 1.31]; k=8; n=3,486; I^2 =56.2%) (**Figure 11**). Five studies reported global function using the CIBIC+ on a continuous scale. In all studies, those on galantamine had higher global function scores (5.3) versus those on placebo (5.1), and two of these trials found that difference to be statistically significantly different.^{207, 210}

Physical function. All but one trial of galantamine reported a measure of ADLs or IADLs. Six of the trials demonstrated a benefit in physical function for at least some subgroups taking galantamine at doses of 16 to 32 mg per day compared with those taking placebo. Various instruments and scales were used, so the magnitude of the differences is hard to compare. In most cases, the differences between groups were small, ranging from about 1 to 4 points.

Neuropsychiatric symptoms. Four trials of galantamine evaluated behavioral and neuropsychiatric symptoms using the 10- or 12-item Neuropsychiatric Inventory. Findings were mixed. Two studies reported significant differences favoring galantamine in behavioral and neuropsychiatric symptoms for those taking 14 to 24 mg of galantamine per day compared with those taking placebo at 5 or 6 months. ^{204, 209} In contrast, there were no such differences in two studies of 8 to 32 mg of galantamine per day at 3 to 6 months. ^{203, 208} Of note, one study of 978 patients with AD found differences in the 10-item Neuropsychiatric Inventory at 5 months that favored galantamine at doses of 16 to 24 mg per day, but not at doses of 8 mg per day. ²⁰⁹

Other outcomes. None of the trials of galantamine reported QOL measures or rates of institutionalization. One study examined caregiver burden using the NPI-10 and found no difference between groups. Only one trial carefully ascertained mortality and was intended to determine whether there was mortality benefit from galantamine treatment. This study reported a HR of 0.58 (95% CI, 0.37 to 0.89; p=0.011), indicating that patients treated with galantamine had a higher survival rate than those treated with placebo. The remaining studies reported mortality as part of their patient tracking and were not designed or powered to detect mortality differences between groups.

Harms. All 10 trials of galantamine reported harms. Total AEs were statistically significantly higher for those receiving galantamine treatment (73%) compared with the control group (63%) (RR, 1.14 [95% CI, 1.06 to 1.22]; k=9; n=6,004; I^2 =57.7%) (figure not shown). Eight of nine trials and one observational study reported SAEs with galantamine. Rates of SAEs were similar in those treated with galantamine (12%) versus those taking placebo (11%) (RR, 1.06 [95% CI, 0.91 to 1.24]; k=7; n=4,987; I^2 =97.8%) (**Figure 13**). However, study withdrawals due to adverse events were statistically significantly higher in patients taking galantamine (14%) than in those taking placebo (7%) (RR, 1.98 [95% CI, 1.52 to 2.57]; k=10; n=6,147; I^2 =51.1%) (**Figure 14**).

Rivastigmine

Study and Population Characteristics

Eight fair- to good-quality trials involving 4,569 participants evaluated the effectiveness of rivastigmine for cognitive impairment, none published since the previous review. Four studies (50%) recruited patients partially or fully from the United States. Trials ran for a median of 6 months, with a range from 3 to 6 months. All studies evaluated rivastigmine for dementia, and none enrolled participants with MCI. Five studies enrolled participants with AD (n=3,699),^{212,214,215,218,219} two studies enrolled participants with VaD (n=750),^{213,217} and one study enrolled participants with LBD (n=120).²¹⁶ Four studies reported on race; white participants ranged from 75 to 97 percent. Three studies reported mean years of education of 3.3 years, 9.3 years, and 9.9 years.^{213,217,219}

Intervention Characteristics

The daily dosage of rivastigmine ranged from 1 to 17 mg, with considerable variability in daily dosage. Timing of dose escalation also varied between studies, with dose changes usually occurring weekly or monthly. All eight trials delivered rivastigmine orally; one of these trials also included two groups randomized to a rivastigmine patch (9.5 mg or 17.4 mg per day). All control participants in all studies of rivastigmine were given placebo.

Results

Cognitive function. Differences in cognitive function favored rivastigmine over placebo at 3 to 6 months, although most differences were small. The pooled between-group mean difference in change in ADAS-Cog score favored rivastigmine by 2.43 points (MD: -2.43; 95% CI, -0.75 to -4.10; k=5; n=2,618; I^2 =81.9%) over 3 to 6 months (**Figure 9**). Two studies^{215,218} reported a higher percentage of patients treated with rivastigmine compared to the placebo group improving by 4 points or more on the ADAS-Cog 11 (difference of 9 or 10% between groups, p<0.05 for both studies). The pooled between-group mean difference in change in MMSE score favoring rivastigmine was 0.88 points (95% CI, 0.28 to 1.49; k=6; n=2,415; I^2 =44.9%) (**Figure 10**). These findings held across dementia diagnoses, including AD and VaD.

Global function. Seven of eight rivastigmine studies reported global function and had sufficient data for a meta-analysis. In the five studies that presented dichotomous measures of global functioning (i.e., improved or maintained versus declined), the relative risk indicated a 50 percent higher likelihood of improvement or maintenance in global functioning for those on rivastigmine compared with those on placebo at 3 to 6 months (RR, 1.50 [95% CI, 1.22 to 1.85]; k=5; n=1,934; $I^2=61.4\%$) (**Figure 11**). In the six studies that presented continuous measures of global function, meta-analysis of the SMD did not find an association between rivastigmine and global function at 6 months (SMD, -0.14 [95% CI, -0.36 to 0.08]; k=6; n=2,535; $I^2=85.7\%$) (**Figure 12**). All studies using the CIBIC+, however, demonstrated an improvement or less of a decline in global function (3 of 4 were statistically significantly different).

Physical function. Seven of eight rivastigmine trials reported physical function outcomes. Four trials found a benefit of rivastigmine at doses of 6 to 17.4 mg per day over 3 to 6 months, with between-group mean differences in change ranging from 1.80 to 3.40 points. ^{214, 215, 218, 219} Two studies also examined a dichotomous version of the Progressive Deterioration Scale and found a statistically significant difference in groups in favor of the group taking rivastigmine. ^{214, 218} Two studies found that doses of 1 to 4 mg per day of rivastigmine were not associated with differences in physical function outcomes, while doses of 6 to 12 mg per day were. ^{214, 218}

Neuropsychiatric symptoms. Four of eight rivastigmine studies evaluated behavioral and neuropsychiatric symptoms in their trials using the 10- and 12-item versions of the Neuropsychiatric Inventory, with mixed results. One study found differences in behavioral and neuropsychiatric symptoms that favored rivastigmine at a dose of 12 mg per day compared with placebo at 5 months. However, the other three studies that reported such outcomes did not find differences between participants taking 3 to 17.4 mg of rivastigmine per day over 6 months compared with those taking placebo. 213, 217, 219 One study examined the effect of rivastigmine on

anxiety symptoms and found no statistically significant difference between the group taking rivastigmine and the group given placebo.²¹⁷

Other outcomes. No rivastigmine studies reported on QOL measures or rates of institutionalization. While many of the studies reported mortality as part of their patient tracking throughout the trial, they were not designed or powered to detect mortality differences between groups.

Harms. All eight trials of rivastigmine plus one observational study reported AEs. Total AEs were statistically significantly higher among patients treated with rivastigmine (90%) versus those on placebo (73%) (RR, 1.23 [95% CI, 1.12 to 1.35]; k=4; n=1,090; I^2 =0%) (figure not shown). While SAE rates were not significantly different between those receiving rivastigmine (14%) and those receiving placebo (12%) (RR, 1.15 [95% CI, 0.92 to 1.43]; k=6; n=2,619; I^2 =10.4%) (**Figure 13**), the results for individual studies were mixed, ranging from a 300 percent greater risk from rivastigmine to a 20 percent greater risk from placebo. Nevertheless, study withdrawals due to AEs were higher in those taking rivastigmine (13%) compared with those taking placebo (6%) (RR, 2.21 [95% CI, 1.54 to 3.17]; k=8; n=3,131; I^2 =57.0%) (**Figure 14**).

Memantine

Study and Population Characteristics

Twelve trials of fair-to-good quality, including four new trials, involving 4,189 participants examined memantine for cognitive impairment. Four studies (33%) recruited patients partially or fully from the United States. Trials were conducted for a median of 6 months and a range of 3 to 48 months. Eleven studies recruited people with dementia, with nine studies recruiting people with AD (n=3,229)^{220-222, 224, 226-229, 231} and two studies recruiting people with VaD (n=900).^{225, 230} One study recruited people with MCI (n=60).²²³ The mean baseline MMSE score was 17.8, a bit lower than the trials of AChEIs, which is to be expected of a medication that has an FDA indication for moderate to severe AD. Women comprised 49 percent of memantine trial samples. Four studies were published after the last review, all of which recruited participants with AD (n=1,380).^{221, 222, 224, 227} Seven studies reported race and one reported ethnicity data; white participants comprised 86 to 100 percent of samples, while Hispanic ethnicity comprised 11 percent of one sample. Two memantine trials reported education, with one study reporting that 78 percent of participants had at least a high school education²²² and another reporting a mean education of 11.5 years for participants.²²⁹

Intervention Characteristics

All trials of memantine used an oral daily dosage of 20 mg, most often achieved by titrating from a starting dose of 5 mg per day and increasing the dose weekly by 5 mg per day. Two studies required all participants (those in intervention and control groups) to be on the rivastigmine patch at 9.5 mg per day²²¹ or galantamine at 24 mg per day.²²⁷ All trials were placebo-controlled, with the exception of one open-label study in which intervention participants received both memantine and rivastigmine and control participants received rivastigmine only (and no placebo).²²¹

Results

Cognitive function. Differences in cognitive function with memantine were generally statistically significant for participants with cognitive impairment. Nine of 12 memantine trials had sufficient data to meta-analyze cognitive function results using the ADAS-Cog or the MMSE. The pooled between-group mean difference in change in ADAS-Cog score was small, but statistically significantly different (MD, -0.88 [95% CI, -0.11 to -1.65]; k=8; n=2,609; I^2 =78.1%) (**Figure 9**) whereas the pooled between-group mean difference in change in MMSE score was not (MD, 0.36 [95% CI, -0.31 to 1.04]; k=5; n=1,217; I^2 =33.2%) (**Figure 10**). One study had longer-term followup (4 years) and found no difference between the group given memantine and the group given placebo for cognitive function. ²²² Findings were clinically marginal regardless of type of cognitive impairment, including AD, VaD, and MCI.

Global function. A smaller proportion of memantine trials reported global function outcomes compared with trials of AChEIs. While the pooled analysis of five trials (n=1,396) reporting results for the CIBIC+ using the random effects model resulted in a small association between memantine and global function favoring memantine (SMD in change, -0.14 [95% CI, -0.27 to -0.01]; k=5; n=1,396; I^2 =32.9%), this result was sensitive to the use of a REML model correcting for small samples, resulting in a more conservative and no longer statistically significant association (MD in change, -0.14, 95% CI: -0.33 to 0.05, I^2 =32.9%) (**Figure 12**). Consistent with the continuous results, two studies reported a dichotomous measure of global function in favor of those on memantine; but this association was not statically significant after using the more conservative REML model (RR 1.15 [95% CI, 0.49 to 2.69]; k=2; n=545) (**Figure 11**).

Physical function. Six of 12 memantine trials reported physical function outcomes. Only one study found statistically significant differences in physical function at 4 and 6 months (but not at 12 months) favoring memantine, but these differences were small in magnitude (between-group mean difference in change at 4 months: 0.48 (95% CI, 0.19 to 0.77) and at 6 months: 0.85 (95% CI, 0.51 to 1.19).²²⁷ The other five trials found no differences in physical function in those exposed and unexposed to memantine. Additionally, only one study had longer-term followup (4 years) and found no difference between the group given memantine and the group given placebo for physical function.²²²

Neuropsychiatric outcomes. Eight memantine trials reported on behavioral and neuropsychiatric symptoms using the 12-item Neuropsychiatric Inventory. Findings were mixed with some trials showing improved scores among those taking memantine and worse scores among those on placebo whereas others reported the opposite (improvement among those on placebo, and not memantine), and only one trial reported a statistically significant benefit of memantine at 3 and 6 months. ²²⁶ The one trial reporting longer term outcomes found no difference at 4 years. ²²²

Other outcomes. One study reported on institutionalization and found a lower rate of nursing home placement in those taking memantine (2/182) compared with those taking placebo (9/187) at 6 months.²²⁴ None of the trials reported measures of QOL. One study conducted a survival analysis and found no statistically significant difference in mortality between memantine and placebo groups over 4 years (HR 1.06; 95% CI, 0.91 to 1.24).²²²

Harms. All 12 trials of memantine reported on harms. Total AE rates were similar between those taking memantine (65%) and those taking placebo (62%) (RR, 1.04 [95% CI, 0.99 to 1.09]; k=11; n=3414; $I^2=0\%$). Rates of SAEs for individual trials were mixed, with some suggesting as much as a 71 percent greater risk of SAEs in control participants and others reporting up to a 68 percent greater risk among those on memantine. Across studies, however, rates of SAEs were not different between intervention and control groups (RR, 0.88 [95% CI, 0.77 to 1.01]; k=10; n=3,350; $I^2=0\%$) (**Figure 13**). Likewise, and in contrast to the AChEIs, withdrawals due to AEs were not significantly different between patients receiving memantine (8%) and those receiving placebo (7%) (RR, 1.26 [95% CI, 0.98 to 1.62]; k=9; n=3,288; $I^2=0\%$) (**Figure 14**).

Other Medications and Supplements

We included 29 trials (n=6,489) that examined the benefits and/or harms of using other medications or supplements for cognitive impairment. Twenty-four of these studies were included in the previous review, while five were newly identified for this update. A variety of different medications and supplements were evaluated, including antihypertensives (k=1, n=385), 235 3-hydroxy-3-methylglutaryl coenzyme A (HMG-CoA) reductase inhibitors (also known as statins; k=4, n=1,153), 236-239 nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDS; k=4, n=837), 240-243 gonadal steroids (k=6, n=337), 244-249 and dietary supplements such as vitamins or omega-3 fatty acids (k=14, n=3,777). 194, 222, 250-261

In general, the primary effectiveness outcomes for these trials were measures of global cognitive function, most often the ADAS-Cog-11 or MMSE. In some trials, however, global cognitive function was a secondary outcome whereas measures of physical function or domain-specific cognitive function, for example, were primary outcomes. Fewer than half of the studies reported a measure of global function. Of those that did, most (9 out of 12 studies) used the CIBIC+; the remaining studies used the CDR-SB and CDR alone or in addition to the CIBIC+. Patient mental and neuropsychiatric symptoms were measured in two-thirds of the trials, typically depression symptoms with a variety of instruments or composite neuropsychiatric symptoms with the NPI-12. A little over half of the studies reported the effect of medications or supplements on physical function and few trials reported a measure of QOL. Harms related outcomes were reported by 20 of the 29 the included trials.

Study, population, and intervention characteristics of all 29 trials are presented in **Table 13** and **Table 14**. A summary of results for all included trials is provided in **Table 15**, while detailed results related to global function, global cognitive function, physical function, neuropsychiatric symptoms, and harms are presented in **Appendix F**.

Antihypertensives

We identified one new study on the effects of discontinuing antihypertensives among participants with cognitive impairment.²³⁵ For 385 participants with MCI who were randomized to discontinue or continue their antihypertensive medication, there were no differences between groups in global cognitive function, executive function, memory, physical function, depressive symptoms, or QOL at 4 months. Similarly, no differences in rates of serious adverse events,

including death, hospitalizations, or vascular events, were seen between those continuing (7.0%) or discontinuing (6.5%) their antihypertensives (p-value not reported).

HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitors

In the four studies (n=1,153) that examined the effects of statins (atorvastatin [k=2] and simvastin [k=2]) for patients with AD dementia, none found differences between intervention and control groups on reported outcomes of global function, global cognitive function, or physical function at 6 to 18 months. ²³⁶⁻²³⁹ One trial (n=63) of three examining neuropsychiatric symptoms found a difference in depression symptoms that favored the intervention of atorvastatin at 80 mg per day at 12 months, ²³⁹ while the other two found no difference. ^{236, 237} None of these three studies found a difference in total neuropsychiatric symptom scores between intervention and control groups.

Two HMG-CoA studies reported harms, with no significant differences in total or serious AEs between the intervention and control groups. While neither study found a difference in mortality rates between groups, they were neither designed nor powered to detect a difference in mortality between the intervention and control.

NSAIDs

None of the four studies of NSAIDs (n=837) (celecoxib 40 mg, ibuprofen 800 mg, indomethacin 100 mg, or naproxen 220 mg daily) found differences between intervention and control groups on reported outcomes of global function, global cognitive function, physical function, neuropsychiatric symptoms, QOL, institutionalization, or caregiver burden at 6 to 12 months in participants with AD dementia. ^{241-243, 250}

All four studies of NSAIDs reported on harms. One trial reporting total AEs found that 229/285 participants (80%) in the intervention and 105/140 participants (75%) in the control group experienced at least one AE, with "generally no significant differences in AEs between groups." Two trials reported no statistically significant difference in SAEs: in one trial, 32/140 participants (23%) in the intervention and 73/285 participants (26%) in the control group experienced a SAE, whereas in the other smaller trial, 5/26 participants (19%) in the intervention group and 1/25 participants (4%) in the control group reported a SAE. None of the four trials reported a statistically significant difference in withdrawals due to AEs. These studies were not designed nor powered to detect a difference in mortality between groups.

Gonadal Steroids

Six studies (n=337), including one new trial, examined the effects of gonadal steroids on patients with dementia, including five studies of estrogen^{244, 245, 247-249} (one of which also used progestin²⁴⁸) and one study of testosterone.²⁴⁶ Daily doses of estrogen for women included 0.625 mg to 1.25 mg of estradiol or conjugated equine estrogens (Premarin) or 120 mg of raloxifene, while daily doses of progesterone for women were 0.5 mg daily; daily doses of transdermal or topical testosterone for men were 75 mg daily. No studies of gonadal steroids showed differences in reported outcomes that favored the intervention, including global function, global cognitive function, domain-specific cognitive function, physical function, neuropsychiatric symptoms,

caregiver burden, or QOL. However, two studies of estrogen or estrogen plus progestin found differences in global function at 1 year that favored the control group.^{247, 248}

Only two of the six trials reported AEs with both finding greater AEs among those on the study medication versus placebo. ^{244, 248} One of the studies, however, found more SAEs reported in participants receiving placebo (3 events/32 participants [9.4%] than in those receiving estrogen plus progestin (0 events/33 participants [0%]; p-value not reported). ²⁴⁸ However, these studies were small and in some cases, events were rare. While four of the studies on gonadal steroids reported mortality, ^{244, 247-249} they were not powered nor designed to detect differences in mortality between groups.

Dietary Supplements

B vitamins. Four studies (n=877) evaluated the efficacy and safety of B vitamin supplementation in the treatment of dementia. $^{250-252,\,254}$ Specific supplementation included folic acid, 251 folic acid plus vitamins B_6 and $B_{12,}^{250,\,252}$ and folic acid plus $B_{12,}^{254}$ One trial 250 required participants to have normal folic acid, B₁₂ and homocysteine levels to be eligible to participate. The other three trials did not restrict inclusion based on baseline homocysteine levels (although no participants were found to have deficiencies) and conducted subanalyses among those with high versus low baseline levels. One 6-month study of 57 individuals with AD who were on AchEIs found that randomization to folic acid was associated with a difference in change from baseline in a combined measure of IADLs and social behavior favoring the intervention at 6 months. ²⁵¹ There were no differences in global cognitive function or attention between groups and no significant differences between those with high versus normal baseline homocysteine levels. Another larger study of 271 participants with MCI found differences in executive functioning that favored those taking B vitamins compared with those on placebo at 24 months, but found no differences in language, memory, or depression.²⁵² In subanalyses, there were differences in global cognition and memory favoring the intervention for patients with baseline homocysteine levels above the median. In the remaining two studies, there were no differences in global function, global cognitive function, domain-specific cognitive function, physical function, or neuropsychiatric symptoms for patients with dementia who were or were not exposed to B vitamins. 250, 254

In two of four studies reporting harms, there were no differences between intervention and control groups in total AEs and SAEs.^{250, 252} One study reported mortality but was not designed or powered to detect a difference in mortality between groups.²⁵⁰

Vitamin E. Three trials, one of which we identified in this update, reported on the effects of vitamin E for cognitive impairment (n=1551). 194, 222, 257 One new parallel group RCT randomized 613 patients with dementia to memantine, vitamin E (alpha tocopherol), or combination memantine plus vitamin E, or placebo, and found differences in ADLs and IADLs that favored vitamin E at 48 months, but no differences in global cognitive functioning or neuropsychiatric symptoms. Two other vitamin E studies, one in patients with dementia and another in patients with MCI who were also on a multivitamin, did not find differences in reported outcomes of global function, global cognitive function, executive function, language, memory, physical function, neuropsychiatric symptoms, or rates of institutionalization between intervention and control groups at 24 to 36 months. 194, 257

The two vitamin E studies that reported AE rates found no differences between intervention and control groups. ^{194, 222} In the longer-term trial of memantine, vitamin E, combination memantine and vitamin E versus placebo, there were no differences in rates of SAEs comparing vitamin E alone versus placebo whereas those on memantine alone or combined memantine and vitamin E did experience greater frequencies of SAEs. ²²² This same study conducted a survival analysis and found no statistically significant difference in survival between vitamin E and placebo groups over 48 months (HR 0.87 [95% CI, 0.67 to 1.13]). ²²² The remaining two studies were not designed or powered to find differences in mortality rates between intervention and control groups.

Omega-3 fatty acids. Six studies (n=1260), including two new studies, reported on the effects of omega-3 fatty acids on cognition, finding mixed results. 253, 255, 256, 258, 259, 261 One study of 39 patients with dementia found that one formulation of omega-3 fatty acids (DHA 675mg + EPA 975 mg/day) was associated with better IADL scores compared with controls, while another formulation (DHA 675 mg + EPA 975 mg + LA 600 mg/day) was associated with both better IADL scores and better MMSE scores (but not ADAS-Cog scores) compared with controls. ²⁵⁸ Another study of 54 people with MCI found differences in depression outcomes at 6 months that favored the intervention groups, which took one of two formulations of omega-3 fatty acids (DHA 1.95g/day or EPA 1.83g/day), but no differences in attention, language or executive function.²⁵⁹ Another study of 485 people with MCI randomized to omega-3 fatty acids (DHA 900 mg/day) found differences in executive function at 6 months that favored the intervention, but no differences in global cognitive function, physical function, neuropsychiatric symptoms or caregiver burden.²⁶¹ The remaining three studies of omega-3 fatty acids (involving DHA or DHA + EPA) did not demonstrate differences between exposed and unexposed patients with MCI or dementia in global function, global cognitive function, domain-specific cognitive function, physical function, or neuropsychiatric symptoms at 4 to 18 months. 253, 255, 256

Three of the six omega-3 fatty acids studies reported harms, and none reported differences in rates of total or serious AEs. These studies were not designed or powered to detect differences in deaths between intervention and control groups.

Multivitamins. The lone study of multivitamins (n=89) did not find any effects on reported outcomes of global cognitive function, memory or physical function in 89 participants with dementia at 6 months.²⁶⁰ There were no differences in rates of adverse events or serious adverse events between groups; deaths were not reported.

Nonpharmacologic Interventions

Patient-Level Nonpharmacologic Interventions

We identified 61 trials (n=7,847) that evaluated nonpharmacologic interventions targeting the patient directly, rather than the caregiver or patient-caregiver dyad. These interventions included: 1) cognitive training, rehabilitation, and/or stimulation (31 arms in 28 trials; n=3,212);²⁶²⁻²⁸⁹ 2) exercise interventions (21 trials; n=2,831);²⁹⁰⁻³¹⁰ and 3) multicomponent and "other" interventions (16 trials; n=2,302).^{278,289,307,310-322} Almost two-thirds of these studies (39 studies) are new to this update; 22 were carried forward from the previous review.

The primary outcome in most patient-level nonpharmacologic interventions was a measure of global- or domain-specific cognitive function. Measures of physical function (ADLs and IADLs) and mental and neuropsychiatric symptoms were reported in approximately half of the trials, with various instruments used. Isolated trials also reported outcome measures related to institutionalization, conversion from MCI to dementia, global function, QOL, or caregiver burden. These results are only mentioned briefly, however, due to the sparse nature of these outcomes and concern of selective reporting.

Given the heterogeneity in interventions, we present results stratified by type of intervention. Study, population, and intervention characteristics for all nonpharmacologic patient-level interventions are presented in **Table 16** and **Table 17**. A summary of results for all included trials is provided in **Table 18**, while detailed results are presented in **Appendix G**.

Cognitive Stimulation, Cognitive Training, and/or Cognitive Rehabilitation

Study and Population Characteristics

Twenty-eight trials (n=3,212) evaluated the effectiveness of cognitive training, stimulation, and/or rehabilitation on improving cognitive or physical function outcomes and mental and behavioral symptoms versus no intervention or an attention control group. Seventeen of the 28 trials were newly identified as part of this update; 11 trials were included in the previous review. We rated only 5 of these trials as good quality and the remaining 22 as fair quality. In general, trials were relatively small (n<100), ranging from 19 to 481 patients randomized (median n randomized = 63). Most were of limited study duration (3 to 6 months followup); only nine trials had followup at 12 months or longer (maximum of 26 months). $^{265, 266, 274-276, 278, 280, 283, 287}$

Eleven of the 28 trials targeted patients with MCI (mean baseline MMSE score ranged from 25.7 to 27.9), 14 targeted patients with dementia (MMSE range, 17.8 to 25.1), and the remaining 2^{265} , ²⁶⁹ targeted patients with either MCI or dementia (MMSE of 26.4 in one study that reported). Among the trials of patients with dementia, all but two^{277, 288} } was exclusively among patients with probable AD. In the remaining trials, most (68% and 83%) had AD, about a tenth had VaD (13% and 7%, respectively), and the remaining diagnoses were PDD or of mixed or other etiology. Most trials recruited patients directly from memory or neurology clinics or some other outpatient clinic. Among the trials targeting patients with MCI, most recruited patients presenting with memory complaints who were free of psychiatric symptoms or disorders. In 4 of the 28 trials, ^{265, 267, 280, 283} participants were required to be on a stable dose (1 month to 2 years) of an AChEI to be enrolled in the trial whereas five other trials 263, 268, 282, 285, 287 specifically excluded patients who were taking an AChEI or memantine. In the remaining trials, the proportion of participants taking an AChEI at baseline ranged from 32 to 92 percent and was similar across intervention and control groups for each individual study. Across trials, the average age of patients ranged from 68 to 83 years (median=76). These trials included an even distribution of both men and women and were conducted mostly in the United States (k=6) and western Europe (k=13). The race/ethnicity and educational level of participants were rarely reported.

Intervention Characteristics

Thirty-one unique cognitive-focused interventions were tested in the 28 trials. We broadly defined these interventions as those that directly or indirectly targeted cognitive functioning as opposed to those that focused primarily on behavioral, emotional, or physical function. Most of the cognitive-focused interventions were cognitive stimulation interventions (defined as engaging the person with dementia in a range of general activities and discussions aimed at general enhancement of cognitive and social functioning or cognitive training activities (defined as a guided practice on a set of standardized tasks designed to reflect particular cognitive functions such as memory, attention or problem-solving one interventions were identified and the interventionist worked with the person and his or her family to devise strategies to address these. In cognitive rehabilitation studies, the emphasis was on improving performance in everyday life rather than on cognitive tests. 323

Most of the cognitive stimulation and training interventions were group-based interventions, but the intensity of activities varied considerably from 1 day a week for 6 weeks to 5 days a week for up to 2 years (median duration=3 months). Most ranged from 45 to 90 minutes per session. Four interventions tested computer-based cognitive training programs consisting of 24 to 52 sessions total over 2 to 6 months; ^{278, 281, 284, 285} 3 of these 4 interventions were among patients with MCI. Three interventions were delivered in the home; ^{270, 273, 274} in two of them caregivers were trained to lead cognitive stimulation or training activities. The few remaining interventions were individual-based, in-person cognitive stimulation or training activities. Across all interventions, the most common interventionists were trained psychologists or neuropsychologists, but others included social workers, occupational and speech therapists, and trained research staff. Where reported, adherence to the interventions was relatively high (e.g., more than 70% of participants completing the full intervention; participants completing 80% of sessions on average).

The comparison groups were highly variable and included no intervention (11 trials with no intervention or waitlist controls), usual care which generally did not include cognitive training (7 trials), brief interventions focused on psychoeducation and support (3 trials), and "sham" cognitive-focused activities (7 trials). In the "sham" control groups, participants took part in non-specific cognitive activities following the same schedule as the intervention group, such as reading the newspaper, completing puzzles, and browsing the Internet, with or without interaction with an interventionist or other participants.

Results

Cognitive function. Twenty of the 28 trials reported results for global cognitive function (e.g., ADAS-Cog, MMSE), with or without reporting domain-specific measures of cognitive function. The remaining eight trials^{262, 264, 267, 268, 281, 285, 286, 289} only reported results for domain-specific measures of cognitive function such as memory, executive functioning, or attention. Overall, there appeared to be a very small to no benefit of cognitive training and stimulation activities on global cognitive function at 3 to 12 months (k=21; n=2,754). In 15 trials that reported effects of the intervention on MMSE scores, the pooled result indicated a statistically significant association between cognitive-focused interventions and improved global cognitive function

compared with control groups at 3 to 12 months; however, the confidence interval was quite wide, ranging from a very small to small effect (MD, 1.33 [95% CI, 0.29 to 2.37]; k=15; n=1341) at 3 to 12 months followup. Additionally, there was substantial statistical heterogeneity in the model ($I^2=91.1\%$), which likely reflects the lack of consistency in the magnitude of effects across studies (**Figure 15**). In general, across all trials, the control groups experienced worsening scores on the MMSE from baseline to up to 12 months followup ranging from 0.4 points (-0.4) to 3.6 (-3.6) whereas the effects in the intervention groups were more variable ranging from a decline of 1.3 (-1.3) to an improvement of 3.8 points. Based on the Egger's test and visual inspection of funnel plots, we found no evidence of small-study effects (an indicator of publication bias) for this outcome.

Similarly, a meta-analysis of six trials reporting the differences in change in ADAS-Cog scores between those taking part in a cognitive-focused intervention versus control conditions found a lack of an association with cognitive improvement at 3 to 12 months followup (MD, -0.66 [95% CI, -1.60to 0.29]; k=8; n=842; I^2 =0%) (**Figure 16**). The absolute change from baseline in ADAS-Cog scores varied across studies from an improvement of 1.5 points to a drop of 4.9 points in the intervention groups and an improvement of 1.0 points to a decline of 5.6 in the control groups. Again, wide confidence intervals within and between studies reflect clinical uncertainty regarding the magnitude of the effects seen.

Four trials that reported a measure of global cognitive function were not included in either meta-analysis due to data reporting limitations^{265, 275} or because they reported a measure other than the ADAS-Cog or MMSE.^{270, 276} None of these trials reported a statistically significant effect of cognitive-focused interventions on global function at 3 to 24 months followup, but the direction of effects was consistent with the meta-analyzed trials. There was no evidence that the effect of the intervention was modified based on study quality (good-fair vs. fair), population (dementia vs. MCI), the duration of the intervention, whether the intervention included group sessions or not, or the control group (sham activities vs. other). In the few trials that reported longer-term effects (at greater than 12 months followup),^{275, 276, 278} consistent between-group effects were seen over time, with cognitive function declining in both intervention and control group participants.

Eight trials reported results related to measures of specific domains of cognitive function without reporting a measure of global cognitive function. ^{262, 264, 267, 268, 281, 285, 286, 289} In general, there was not a consistent benefit of cognitive-focused activities across measures of attention, executive function, language, and memory compared with control conditions. In some cases, mixed effects were found within trials, with some domain-specific measures showing beneficial effects and other measures of the same domain finding no effect. Even within trials that reported both global cognitive function and domain-specific measures, results were inconsistent.

Physical function. Fifteen of the 28 trials reported physical function outcomes (ADL and/or IADL outcomes) with only 3 finding small but statistically significant improvements in measures of ADLs or IADLs among people with MCI or dementia at 5 to 12 months followup. ^{263, 280, 285} The remaining trials showed very little change over time for both intervention and control participants or small and relatively equal decline in measures of physical function over time.

Quality of life. Only 3 of the 12 studies that reported QOL outcomes reported small but statistically significant differences between cognitive-focused interventions and controls. ^{274, 276, 279} Only one of these studies also found significant benefit of cognitive training on global cognitive function; the other two trials found no other benefits of the interventions.

Neuropsychiatric symptoms. Changes in mental health and neuropsychiatric symptoms, including symptoms of depression and anxiety and behavioral problems, were reported by half of the studies (k=14). Again, there was no consistent pattern of effect across trials. Many showed relatively equal declines in self- or informant-based measures of depression or behavioral symptoms in both intervention and control group participants. Though the scales range considerably across these measures (e.g., 0–15 on the Geriatric Depression Scale, 0–38 for the CSDD; 0–144 for the Neuropsychiatric Inventory), most between-group differences did not exceed a 1-point difference in favor of either group.

Harms. One trial²⁷⁸ reported no harms of a cognitive training and sham physical exercises over the course of the 6-month intervention. No other trial reported on harms that occurred during the study.

Exercise Interventions

Study and Population Characteristics

We included 21 trials (n=2,831), 6 of them good quality, that studied the effectiveness of an exercise intervention to improve cognitive function, physical function, and/or neuropsychiatric and depressive symptoms among adults with MCI or dementia. Fourteen of the 21 trials were newly identified as part of this update. Similar to the evidence on cognitive-focused interventions, the number of included participants in the exercise trials was quite small (median n randomized = 95; range 25–494) and the duration of the studies were short (14 of the 21 trials were 6 months or less in duration).

Just less than half of the studies targeted patients with MCI (mean MMSE score ranged from 24.5–27.4) and the other half targeted patients with dementia (mean MMSE score ranged from 18–26.4), one of which limited inclusion to patients with VaD.²⁹¹ Three trials included patients with MCI or dementia with one only enrolling older adults with serious mobility limitations.^{295, 301, 308} Few studies reported what proportion of included participants was currently taking a cognitive medication. The mean age of patients ranged from 67 to 84 years. Both men and women were included in all trials, with most reporting an equal distribution of men and women. One trial²⁹⁰ that had among the most intense exercise interventions (including strength and endurance activities) had a majority male sample (61%), whereas two trials^{299, 308} of dancing interventions had a mostly female samples (78% and 82%). Only 4 of the 21 trials took place in the United States; the remaining 17 were in Europe (k=8), Asia (k=6), Australia (k=2), and Canada (k=1).

Intervention Characteristics

The included exercise interventions were highly variable across the trials. Most involved supervised group-based exercise sessions focused on aerobic activities, strength and resistance

training, and/or balance training that took place in a community setting and were led by an exercise specialist. Four trials included individualized, supervised exercise sessions in the home or community setting^{290, 296, 301, 305} whereas three trials encouraged self- or caregiver-guided exercises at home.^{292, 298, 303} Four trials evaluated the effectiveness of a group-based ballroom dancing intervention^{299, 304} or dance-based intervention^{306, 308} and two trials evaluated the impact of a Tai Chi program.^{293, 309} Only a few studies mentioned specific cognitive training activities as part of the exercise intervention, including dual-task training (e.g., walking while counting backwards) and ballroom dance activities that involve physical, mental, creative, and social components. Interventions were relatively intense, with activities taking place 2-3 days per week for 30 minutes to 2 hours per session. Only six interventions, including the four dancing interventions, lasted more than 6 months.^{290, 297, 299, 304, 306, 308}

In about half of the trials the comparison group consisted of an attention control including general health education relevant for older adults or brief interventions that included supervised "sham" exercise sessions focused on stretching or toning (k=9). In the remaining studies, control participants continued to receive usual care from their medical or memory-specific healthcare provider or were offered the intervention at the end of the trial (i.e., waitlist control).

Results

Cognitive function. All 21 trials reported a measure of global cognitive function or domainspecific cognitive function. Of the 14 trials that reported a measure of global cognitive function, all but two trials^{300, 305} had sufficient data to meta-analyze results related to differences in change in the ADAS-Cog and/or MMSE measures at 3 to 12 months followup. Overall, there was mixed evidence related to the association between exercise interventions and improvement in global cognitive function at 3 to 12 months followup among patients with MCI or dementia. Effect estimates generally favored intervention groups compared with control groups, but findings were inconsistent across trials with nine of the 14 individual trials (6 among patients with MCI^{292, 295,} ^{297, 299, 304, 309} and 3 among patients with dementia ^{298, 302, 306, 319, 321, 322}) reporting a statistically significant benefit of the intervention compared with usual care or no intervention control groups on at least one measure of global cognitive function. The pooled analysis of 10 trials reporting results for the MMSE using resulted in small, statistically significant association (MD in change, 1.17 [95% CI, 0.45 to 1.90]; k=10; n=1,168; $I^2=81.3\%\%$) (**Figure 15**) However, the average mean difference in change in ADAS-Cog-11 scores across six trials that were pooled using the REML model with the Knapp-Hartung correction for small samples indicated no association (MD, -1.05 [95% CI, -3.49 to 1.10]; k=6; n=1,071; I^2 =77.4%) (**Figure 16**). Results related to global cognitive function did not appear to differ according to different study (good vs. fair quality), population (MCI vs. dementia patients), intervention (duration of intervention, inclusion of any group sessions, specific type of exercise [e.g., aerobic activities, resistance training, ballroom dancing, Tai Chi), or control group (no intervention vs. brief or sham activities) characteristics.

Physical function. Change in physical function was variably measured across exercise trials including measures of impairment in ADLs (e.g., bathing, dressing, toileting, eating) with or without measures of impairment in IADLs (e.g., meal preparation, laundry, grocery shopping, travel, finances). Across eleven of the 21 trials measuring physical function, small improvements

were seen in the exercise groups within most trials whereas control groups reported worsening function over 3 to 12 months; five of the 11 trials reported these effects to be statistically significantly different between groups. A pattern was seen, though not definitive, where exercise interventions that included individually tailored instruction or self-guided instruction found effects on measures of ADLs or IADLs whereas those that employed supervised, group-based exercise sessions found no effect. This difference was not statistically tested, however, given the few studies reporting these measures and could be due to other confounding factors.

Quality of life. Only three studies that evaluated an exercise intervention reported a measure of QOL. In all three studies, self-reported or proxy-reported measures of QOL were nearly identical between groups after the intervention and inconsistent patterns of effects across different measures of QOL.

Neuropsychiatric symptoms. Ten trials reported the effects on symptoms of depression or other behavioral and neuropsychiatric symptoms; again, there was a pattern of effect favoring the exercise groups compared with the control groups but differences between groups were small and of unclear clinical magnitude.

Harms. Eight of the 21 trials (n=1,425) reported on harms of an exercise intervention. ^{290, 292, 301, 302, 304-306, 310} The most commonly reported AE in the intervention groups was musculoskeletal problems, including delayed onset muscle soreness, back pain, or specific joint pain. In terms of SAEs, in one trial ³⁰² one case of atrial fibrillation experienced during one of the exercise sessions was deemed to possibly be related to the exercise intervention. In another trial of aerobic exercise, ³⁰¹ one case of back pain related to spinal stenosis was judged to be exacerbated by exercise (either as part of the intervention or the battery of study measures that included a cardiorespiratory treadmill test). One other trial found eight AEs related to the intervention with four deemed as serious (one hospital admission for exercise induced angina, two injurious falls, and one case of substantially worsening hip pain). ³⁰⁶ Two trials ^{290, 302} reported no difference in the proportion of participants experiencing a fracture between intervention versus control groups. Other AEs reported during or following the exercise interventions were deemed by study researchers to not be related to the intervention.

Multicomponent and Other Interventions

Study and Population Characteristics

Sixteen trials (n=2,302), 12 of which are new to this update, included a multicomponent patient-level intervention or an intervention that was fundamentally different from the cognitive-focused and exercise interventions and therefore, are reported separately here (these latter interventions were categorized as "other"). Most were small trials (median n randomized=115; range 24–453) and 10 of the 16 studies took place for 6 months or less, whereas the other 6 ran for 7 to 24 months.

Intervention Characteristics

Each of these 16 trials evaluated different interventions. We categorized seven interventions as a multicomponent intervention. In these interventions, the primary aim was to investigate whether

these multicomponent interventions could slow the cognitive and functional decline of people with cognitive impairment and they typically consisted of a combination of group-based cognitive training and exercise with or without other components such as social activities or psychotherapy/cognitive behavioral therapy. The remaining nine trials, all conducted among patients with early-stage dementia, tested other unique patient-centered interventions. Interventions included diagnosis support and in-home counseling focused on patient wellbeing,³¹⁶ in-home counseling related to goal setting and action planning,³¹⁸ group-based psychotherapy and psychoeducation³¹⁵ or cognitive behavioral therapy²⁸⁹ and a group-based selfmanagement program.³¹⁴ Two trials focused on a multidisciplinary assessment and treatment plan coordination; ^{311, 313} one was specifically for patients with moderate-to-severe dementia who had recently transferred to a dementia-specific residential care facility (mean MMSE=14.8) One trial³¹⁷ aimed to slow functional decline among patients with mild dementia (not VaD) through pharmacologic and nonpharmacological vascular care (using ASA, vitamin B6, folate, statins, and, if indicated, therapies targeting blood pressure, glucose, smoking, and diet/activity). And, the last trial was a four-arm trial comparing the effects of exercise, dietary counseling, and exercise plus dietary counseling with an attention control focused on general cardiovascular health topics.³⁰⁷ Comparison groups of these latter nine trials included usual care provided by general practitioners^{313, 314, 317} or residential care staff,³¹¹ a minimal intervention consisting of weekly home visits not focused on well-being, and a waitlist. 289, 315

Results

Cognitive function. There was no clear effect for maintaining or improving global cognitive function in intervention groups compared with control groups. Only three individual trials^{319, 321, 322} targeting mostly patients with MCI found statistically significantly different differences in global cognitive function at 6 to 9 months followup. The remaining trials showed generally null effects for both domain-specific and global measures of cognitive function, with effect sizes often favoring the control groups (many of which were quite intense in content and delivery). Pooling eight trials that included a multicomponent or "other" intervention that reported changes in MMSE score found an average mean difference between groups of 0.26 in favor of the intervention group, although the confidence interval reflected no difference between groups (95% CI, -0.54 to 1.00; k=8; n=1,238; I^2 =30.3%).

Physical function. Changes in physical function were reported in only five trials with only one – a multicomponent group-based intervention with social, cognitive, and physical components over 6 months – finding a statistically significant benefit of the intervention. ³²² The trial of multicomponent exercise and cognitive training, ²⁷⁸ cognitive behavioral therapy, ²⁸⁹ a multidisciplinary assessment and treatment plan, ³¹³ and the trial of comprehensive vascular care ³¹⁷ did not find that the interventions slowed the progression of decline in ADLs or IADLs at 3 to 24 months followup compared with sham activities or usual care.

Quality of life. The four trials focused on improving patients' well-being and QOL^{289, 314-316} showed no clear benefit of the interventions on measures of QOL in comparison with control groups; only one trial reported greater improvement in the WHO Wellbeing Index (WHO-5) in intervention versus control participants at 6 months. But this same study found no difference in the EQ-5D measure of health-related QOL.³¹⁶ Likewise, one trial testing the effect of a

diagnostic assessment and comprehensive treatment plan found a small effect on caregiver-reported patient QOL at 6 months using the EQ-VAS, but not on other measures of QOL.³¹³

Neuropsychiatric symptoms. There was no clear benefit of these multicomponent interventions or interventions aimed at well-being on any measure of symptoms of depression or anxiety or caregiver-ratings of neuropsychiatric symptoms.

Other outcomes. One study conducted a survival analysis of mortality and found a 63 percent lower risk of death in the multidisciplinary assessment intervention group compared with the usual care control group, although the difference was not statistically significant (95% CI, 0.22 to 1.15; p=0.08). 311

Harms. Five trials^{278, 310, 315, 319, 322} found no differences in the rate of harms between conditions; the remaining 11 trials did not report on harms.

Caregiver and Caregiver-Patient Dyad Interventions

We included 88 trials (n=14,880) that targeted the caregiver or caregiver-patient dyad with the primary aim of improving caregiver outcomes. Over one-third (33/88) of these trials were identified as part of this update and the remaining two-thirds (55/88) were included in the previous review. Most of the trials (k=58; n=9,139) evaluated interventions with some type of psychoeducational component for caregivers. These interventions provided information about dementia and/or caregiving and sought to increase caregiver skills (specific caregiving skills or general skills, such as problem solving, and communication applied to caregiving). Seventeen trials (n=3,039) provided case or care management directed at caregiver-patient dyad with or without psychoeducation for the caregiver. The remaining 13 caregiver-focused intervention trials (n=2,702) evaluated other interventions such as physical activity counseling, social support interventions, and multicomponent dyadic interventions.

There was no one consistent outcome reported across caregiver or caregiver-patient dyad intervention trials. The most commonly reported outcomes of these interventions were selfreported caregiver depressive and other mental health symptoms (reported in 62 of 88 trials) and caregiver burden (reported in 52 of 88 trials). Both outcomes were reported using a variety of self-reported measures. The Center for Epidemiologic Studies Depression Scale (CES-D) was the most commonly used instrument to assess symptoms associated with depression. Response options range from 0 to 3 for each item and scores range from 0 to 60, with high scores indicating greater depressive symptoms. For caregiver burden, the most commonly used instrument was the 22-item Zarit Burden Instrument (Zarit-22). The Zarit-22 measures perceived social, physical, financial, and emotional burden of caregiving, as well as providing a total summary score with a range of 0-88, where higher scores indicate greater burden. Rates of institutionalization or time to nursing home placement was often a primary outcome of caregiver-patient dyad interventions but should be interpreted alongside the results of other important caregiver and patient outcomes. While delay of institutionalization may be one of the most clinically important outcomes to examine within this field, it is potentially inappropriate if it is accompanied by declines in well-being on the part of family caregivers. Other outcomes such as caregiver and patient QOL were inconsistently reported.

Study, population, and intervention characteristics for all caregiver interventions are presented in **Table 19** and **Table 20**. Summary results are provided in **Table 21** and detailed results are provided in **Appendix H**.

Psychoeducation Caregiver Interventions

Study and Population Characteristics

We included 58 trials, representing over 9,139 caregivers or caregiver-patient dyads, that evaluated a caregiver psychoeducational intervention. Twenty-four of these trials are new to this update. We rated most of the studies fair quality given unclear allocation procedures, few baseline imbalances, and relatively high attrition (20–40%). Study sample sizes ranged from 28 to 642 participants, with most randomizing over 100 caregivers or caregiver-patient dyads. Most followed participants for at least 1 year, with three studies including longer-term followup at 3 or 4 years^{344, 354, 376} and one including followup at 12 years.³⁶⁵

Almost three-quarters (74%, 43/58) of the trials targeted the caregiver only with the remaining targeting the caregiver-patient dyad (21%, 12/58) or entire family (5%, 3/58). Most trials required that caregivers provide support to the patient for at least 4 hours a day to be eligible for the study and many limited inclusion to caregivers reporting burden related to caregiving (e.g., Zarit burden score >22) or high psychological distress (e.g., >4 on General Health Questionnaire). Two trials prespecified inclusion to spousal caregivers, 357, 365 and one trial focused specifically on adult caregiving children of dementia patients.³⁴⁴ When reported, the remaining trials included various proportions of spousal, child, and other nonprofessional caregivers. Caregivers were mostly female in all trials (range of female caregivers, 57–100%). The mean age of caregivers ranged from 41 to 75 years. Socioeconomic indicators such as education, income, and employment status were reported inconsistently and variably measured. Among those that reported educational level of caregivers, in most studies more than half of caregivers had at least a high school education with mean years of education ranging from 11 to 16 years. Race/ethnicity of caregivers was sparsely reported. Among the few trials that did report the race of participants, most caregivers and patients were white except for three trials 339, 342, 377 that were limited to Asian caregivers (2 trials in Hong Kong and 1 in the United States). Across all psychoeducation intervention trials, most took place in the U.S. (k=28) or western Europe (k=22). Four trials took place in East Asia (Hong Kong or Taiwan) and four took place in Canada.

In all but three trials, caregivers cared for patients with dementia, mostly characterized as Alzheimer's-type dementia. Two trials included caregivers of patients with either MCI or dementia, 343, 353 and one remaining trial 569 targeted caregivers of "frail community-dwelling older adults characterized as cognitively impaired" with an MMSE less than 23. The average MMSE scores across trials was consistent with patients having moderate, as opposed to mild, dementia (average MMSE score was 16.2 across studies that reported it). The mean age of patients ranged from 68 to 83 years.

Intervention Characteristics

The psychoeducation intervention trials encompassed a wide range of approaches. The most

common format was for interventionists to meet individually with caregivers, dyads, or families, most commonly in participants' homes (k=20). A number of the interventions, however, took place in group settings (k=18) or were provided remotely through telephone counseling, computer-based programs or applications, videos, or a combination of these methods (k=13). Across all psychoeducation interventions, in addition to providing information about dementia and community resources, most interventions also included training in problem solving, communication techniques, and stress management. A variety of additional components were used, including peer or social support (e.g., group support meetings or online forums to interact with peers, to express their concerns, discuss solutions to daily problems, and share their feelings and experiences), supportive counseling (counseling focused on the caregiver's emotional or psychological issues), home safety assessments or information, occupational therapy, and environmental modifications. The interventionists were also highly variable, reflecting the specific components within each intervention and included general educators or counselors, psychologists, nurses, occupational therapists, social workers, and hired and trained research staff. Only two interventions included contact with a geriatrician. 335, 374 The majority of interventions were relatively short (median=4 months) but ranged from 1 month to 2 years, and participants generally meet every 1 to 3 weeks over the course of the interventions.

Most trials included a usual care control group (k=22) or attention controls where caregivers received similar or slightly less contact with an interventionist who provided general dementia education with or without nondirective social support (k=21). The remaining trials included no intervention or waitlist control groups. Usual care was rarely fully described. When it was, most mentioned usual memory or primary care for patients with referrals to outside organization or community resources for caregiver support.

Results

Although there were substantial clinical differences among the interventions evaluated, overall there was a consistent finding of a benefit on caregiver burden and depression outcomes in people caring for patients with mostly moderate dementia. Effect sizes were mostly small, however, and few of the individual trials reported statistically significant differences between groups.

Caregiver burden. The standardized pooled effect for trials reporting sufficient data to be included in the meta-analysis (k=27; n=2,776) showed a small but statistically significant effect (SMD, -0.24 [95% CI, -0.36 to -0.13]; $I^2=50.2\%$) (**Figure 17**). We could not include nine of the trials that reported burden in the meta-analysis because of missing data (e.g., variance) or reporting of an incompatible outcome. $I^{328, 332, 338, 344, 363-365, 370, 381}$ In these studies, the effect sizes were similarly small, with few finding statistically significant group differences. $I^{344, 365}$

The clinical importance of these changes in self-reported caregiver burden scores is unclear. Most studies reported group differences between 0.5 and 5 points on a scale of 0–88 on the Zarit-22. Baseline Zarit-22 scores ranged widely across studies from an average of around 23 to 56 points, and only one study reported average changes of greater than 2.5 points over 6 months followup in the intervention group. To aid in interpretation, we pooled the nine trials that reported change in the Zarit-22 and found an average 2.5-point difference favoring the

intervention group versus control group (MD, -2.47 [95% CI, -3.91 to -1.03]; k=9; n=1,089; I^2 =0%) (forest plot not shown). This is equivalent to a change from being bothered "always" to "sometimes" or "almost never" on one of the 22 items. Across all measure of burden, the confidence intervals of the study-level between-group differences were frequently quite wide, suggesting the possibility that some caregivers showed substantial improvement or benefit in their perceived burden and others did not benefit. Unfortunately, we could not identify what subgroups of caregivers may have benefitted based on study-level data.

Caregiver mental health. Forty-three of the 58 psychoeducation trials reported a measure of caregiver depressive symptoms, using a variety of self-report instruments. Like findings for caregiver burden, the effect sizes for depression outcomes across all trials were relatively small and imprecise. Our meta-analysis included the pooled effect for 37 comparisons (n=4,555) and found a small but statistically significant effect favoring the intervention on depression measures at 3 to 12 months followup (SMD, -0.26 [95% CI, -0.39 to -0.13]; $I^2=76.9\%$) (**Figure 18**). In most cases, caregivers in the intervention groups reported experiencing fewer depressive symptoms over time, whereas caregivers in the control groups reported slightly more symptoms or little change over time. The CES-D, a 20-item instrument (scale of 0-60 with lower scores equaling fewer depressive symptoms), was the most commonly used instrument. Pooling the 20 trials that reported CES-D-measured depressive symptoms resulted in a between-group mean difference of 2.67 points favoring the intervention group (MD, -2.67 [95% CI, -3.85 to -1.48]; k=20; n=2,603; $I^2=65.1\%$) with most trials reporting an approximate 1- to 5-point difference (forest plot not shown). Similar to changes in caregiver burden, the clinical importance of these small changes in depression scores is unclear. A 3-point difference could mean that a person moved from endorsing a single symptom 5 to 7 days to rarely or never in the previous week, or from 3 to 4 days to 1 to 2 days for three symptoms in the previous week.

We could not include 12 trials that reported a measure of depressive symptoms in the meta-analysis due to missing data. 325, 326, 333, 338, 344, 348, 360, 369, 370, 381, 386, 412 In five of these trials, study authors reported statistically significant benefit of the interventions on depressive symptoms. 326, 348, 360, 386, 412 Five trials did not report depressive symptoms but reported measures of other mental health symptoms such as anxiety, perceived stress, and psychological morbidity. 331, 350, 361, 362, 374 These trials, as well as others that reported such measures, found similar patterns of effects with intervention participants reporting slight improvements in mental health symptoms while control group participants reported similar scores over time. Few trials, however, reported statistically significant differences between groups over time.

For both caregiver burden and caregiver depressive symptoms, we visually explored the summary tables and forest plots and ran exploratory meta-regressions to determine if any design, population, or intervention feature explained the variability in effect sizes. These variables included study quality (good vs. fair), new versus previously included trials, U.S.- versus non-U.S.-based trials, mean baseline MMSE of patients being cared for, type of control group (minimal or brief intervention vs. usual care, waitlist, or no intervention), target audience (caregiver and patient or whole family vs. caregiver only), intervention duration, setting of intervention [home vs. not in home], primary intervention format (individual- vs. group-, family-based, or telehealth interventions), and key intervention strategies (training and support vs. training only). For caregiver depression, there was evidence of a difference in effect based on the

type of control group. A statistically significant favorable effect was found when comparing psychoeducation interventions with no treatment or usual care control groups (SMD, -0.44 [95% CI, -0.65 to -0.24]; k=20; n=2,347; I^2 =81.3%), whereas no effect was found when comparing psychoeducation interventions versus attention controls consisting of brief or minimal interventions (SMD, -0.09 [95% CI, -0.25 to 0.06); k=15; n=1,873; I^2 =60.6%) (p-value for difference = 0.036). This same effect was not seen for the outcome of caregiver burden (p=0.815). None of the other variables robustly predicted larger effect sizes for measures of caregiver burden or caregiver depression.

Caregiver quality of life. Only 16 of the 58 trials reported effects of the interventions on caregivers' assessments of their QOL. Patterns of change over time were inconsistent between trials with some trials showing improved mean scores in both intervention and control participants, some showing decreased scores in both groups, and some reporting improvement in intervention participants with declines in control group participants. Seven of the 16 trials reported some statistically significant differences in favor of the intervention groups, but almost all only reported this for one of many measures of QOL within the study or only at shorter versus longer followup. 339, 349, 355, 357, 362, 376, 377

Decision making. One fair-quality trial (n=111) reported the effects of a psychoeducational intervention on caregivers' reports of planning or decision-making related to caring for their relative with dementia.³³⁶ The aim of this study was to test the efficacy of the "Learning to Become a Family Caregiver" program intended for caregivers following the diagnostic disclosure of Alzheimer's disease in a relative. The intervention, delivered through seven 90minute individual sessions over 2 months, was designed to foster a successful transition to the caregiving role by acquiring certain skills to manage stress, plan, and care for a relative. Caregivers randomized to the control arm received usual care provided by local memory care clinics which consisted of putting caregivers in contact with a range of local available services. The relatives with dementia did not take part in the intervention; patients in both groups continued to attend the memory clinics as needed. Three months following the intervention (5 months postbaseline assessment), caregivers in both groups reported statistically significantly better planning for the future care needs of the relative with no difference between groups. Using a six-item Likert-type scale with a range of 6–30 where higher scores equaled greater planning, scores among intervention participants increased from a mean (standard deviation) of 15 (5.84) to 19.67 (5.78), whereas scores for control participants increased from a mean of 15.04 (6.90) to 18.36 (6.84) and no group-by-time effect was found. 336

Patient institutionalization. In terms of patient outcomes, 10 of the 54 trials reported rates of institutionalization or time to nursing home placement as primary or secondary outcomes. ^{326, 344, 354, 355, 365, 373-376, 381} Half of these trials took place in the United States, and most provided followup for 1 year or longer (including 4 trials with 3 or more years followup). Only two trials, both evaluating a version of the New York University Caregiver Intervention (NYUCI), reported statistically significantly favorable effects of the interventions on delaying patient institutionalization. ^{344, 365} In the first trial among spousal caregivers, after 9.5 years of followup, patients whose spouses received the intervention experienced a 28.3 percent reduction in the rate of nursing home placement versus usual care controls (HR=0.717 [95% CI, 0.537 to 0.958], p=0.0247). ³⁴² In the second trial, adapted for adult child caregivers in Minnesota (NYUCI-AC),

after 2 years, two-thirds (66%) of adult child caregivers in the control condition admitted their parent to a residential care setting (assisted living, family care home, or nursing home) compared with 37 percent in the treatment condition. Logistic regression and Cox proportional hazards models found that NYUCI-AC participants were significantly less likely (p<.05) to admit their parents to a residential care setting and delayed their parents' time to admission significantly longer (228.36 days longer on average) than those in the control group.³⁴⁴ In both trials, favorable benefits were also seen for outcomes of caregiver stress, burden, depression, and QOL measures. Other trials reported data on numbers of participants being institutionalized when describing participant attrition; those data are not presented here.

Other patient outcomes. Additional patient outcomes were inconsistently reported across the trials and included changes in patients' global and cognitive function, ADLs and IADLs, mental and behavioral health symptoms, and QOL. Few trials reported statistically significant favorable effects on such outcomes.

Harms. Only three trials (n=326) monitored adverse events during the trial period. Neither found any harms of the intervention. ^{349, 357}

Care/Case Management

Study and Population Characteristics

We broadly labeled these interventions as care or case management interventions (n=3,039). We broadly labeled these interventions as care or case management if the intervention included professional assistance to help arrange, implement, or facilitate services to meet a patient's and family's needs. In all cases, care management was intended for both the caregiver and the patient with dementia (or the patient's entire family). One trial³⁹⁸ extended existing care coordination for patients by also providing care coordination support for caregivers through a personalized caregiver support plan. Six of these 17 trials were new to this update, two of which took place in the United States.^{392, 395}

Four were cluster RCTs, randomizing at the level of the primary care clinician^{383, 396} or practice.^{394, 397} Six trials took place in the United States, six in Europe (Finland, Germany, or Netherlands), one in Australia, three in Hong Kong, and one in Canada. Most recruited participants from primary care, ^{383, 389, 390, 392, 394, 396, 397} with the remaining recruiting from memory clinics or other outpatient clinics, ^{386, 391, 393} health plan membership, ³⁸² local Alzheimer's organization, ³⁸⁴ or other social services or self-referred methods. ^{385, 387, 388, 395, 398} Sample sizes ranged from 72 to 516 caregiver-patient dyads. Collectively, trials within this category of intervention provided the longest followup, with all but one³⁹² following participants for a year or longer. Eight of the 18 trials provided results at 1.5 or 2 years followup.

All care management interventions were intended for patients with dementia. Two trials also included a small proportion of participants with MCI,^{393, 395} and one trial enrolled health plan members whose medical records indicated they had a dementia diagnosis or a symptom code indicating memory loss.³⁸² Baseline mean MMSE scores of patients ranged from mild dementia (22.8) to moderate dementia (13.8). Few (7 trials) reported the proportion of patients being treated for dementia with medication; in those that did, 27 to 78 percent of patients were taking

an AChEI. One trial required patients to be on a stable dose of an AChEI to be eligible for the study. 392

Two trials included only or mainly spousal caregivers;^{388, 392} the others included a fairly even distribution of spouse, child, and other relational caregivers. The mean age of caregivers ranged from 44 to 75 years old while the mean age of patients ranged from 68 to 84. Most caregivers in each trial were female. The gender distribution of patients within trials was more evenly distributed and ranged from 38 to 68 percent females, where reported. Extremely limited data about the race/ethnicity, education, or other socioeconomic variables were provided for patients or caregivers.

Intervention Characteristics

While each intervention was unique, the interventions we categorized as care or case management generally all provided assessment, advice and information, individualized treatment planning, caregiver psychoeducation and skills training, ongoing monitoring, and either referral or care coordination with outside social and health care services (such as occupational and physical therapy, respite care, personal care assistance, social, and social work). Two interventions in the United States were partnerships between an Alzheimer's Association chapter and a managed care plan³⁸² or primary care physicians³⁸⁹ to provide care consultation and individualized treatment plans to families. One trial in the Netherlands compared the effectiveness of care coordination and postdiagnosis treatment provided by a memory clinic with the same service provided only by a general practitioner. ³⁹³ Finally, one trial in Germany provided training for primary care physicians on non-medication-based and medical treatment options for dementia and information and counseling for caregivers; in one intervention arm, the physician suggested that the caregiver attend support groups and receive counseling for up to 2 years, and in the other arm, the physician made the same suggestion but for up to 1 year.³⁹⁴ These interventions were longer than any other category of intervention in general, providing support and care management to caregivers and patients for a year or longer (range 3 months-2 years, median=1 year).

All but two interventions were primarily provided through individual in-person interaction with or without other delivery methods such as group sessions or support groups, telephone contact, or mailed print materials. In the remaining two interventions, information, counseling, and coordination were provided solely by telephone. ^{382, 392} The interventionists varied, but most often included a nurse or other health provider serving as a "case manager" or "care coordinator." Other providers included primary care clinicians, geriatricians, occupational therapists, neurologists, psychiatrists, social workers, and other research staff. Many interventions took a team approach, with different providers providing different components of the intervention. Interaction mostly took place in participants' homes but planning and counseling also took place in a medical setting (i.e., primary care clinic, dementia-specific clinic).

In all trials, the control group consisted of usual care provided by primary care or a memory-specific clinic or organization (k=12) or another minimal intervention (k=5). Usual care varied, based on the study's setting, including country. In most cases, patients continued usual medical care with their primary provider and were given information on other local social and health

services. The two trials that partnered with Alzheimer's Association chapters acknowledged that the control group participants had access to their normal managed or primary care and were able to contact the association independently and use any of its services other than care consultation. The five trials that included minimal attention control groups provided enhanced support for caregivers (e.g., individual counseling sessions) in addition to usual care for patients.

Results

The primary outcome or outcomes of the 17 trials of care and case management interventions differed across trials and included time to institutionalization or nursing home admissions, ³⁸⁶⁻³⁸⁹, ^{394, 395} caregiver outcomes such as burden, strain, caregiving competence and QOL, ^{382, 384-386, 391-393}, ³⁹⁶⁻³⁹⁸ mental and neuropsychiatric symptoms of the patient, ^{383, 392, 396} and patient QOL. ^{393, 397}

Patient institutionalization. Ten of the 17 trials reported rates of patient institutionalization or time to institutionalization. There was a pattern of benefit among patients in intervention versus control groups, with fewer people in the intervention groups placed in nursing homes than those in usual care or a delayed time to institutionalization among intervention versus control participants. Those with dementia who were placed in nursing homes ranged from 5.5 to 32.1 percent among adults in the intervention groups and from 1.5 to 33 percent in the control groups at 1 to 2 years followup. Only three trials reported statistically significant differences related to institutionalization, but all three measures also included other health care utilization or survival measures such as death. 384, 385, 395 In the two disease management trials in Hong Kong, both found significantly less frequent and shorter rates of placements and stays in residential homes or hospital units, including temporary hospitalizations, over the previous 6 months. 384, 385 In the 18month MIND care coordination trial, intervention participants were less likely to permanently leave their home or die compared with controls (30.9% vs. 45.6%; p=0.012) and remained in their homes significantly longer (mean 496 days vs. 445 days; p=0.02). The hazard of leaving the home was decreased by 37 percent after adjusting for whether the caregiver lived in the home (HR, 0.63 [95% CI, 0.42 to 0.94]; p=0.022).³⁹⁵

This MIND care coordination trial was the only trial to include a measure of unmet care needs related to dementia. Using the Johns Hopkins Dementia Care Needs Assessment, evaluators assessed 19 common care needs for participants (71 items) and caregivers (15 items) each as being "fully met" or "unmet." A total percent of unmet needs was calculated ([# of unmet needs/# of needs assessed] *100) as well as the proportion of unmet items in six specific areas: evaluation and treatment of memory symptoms; neuropsychiatric symptom management; home and personal safety; general, specialist and allied health care; daily and meaningful activities; and legal issues/advanced care planning. After 18 months, there was no statistically significant group difference in reduction of total percent of unmet needs; however, the intervention participants had a significantly greater reduction in the proportion of unmet needs in the two domains of safety and legal/advance care planning domains relative to control participants. 395

Caregiver burden. A benefit of care and case management on caregiver burden relative to usual care or other minimal interventions was evident. The effects were relatively larger than those seen for other types of caregiver interventions. Of the 12 trials reporting a measure of caregiver burden, 5 found a statistically significant benefit of caregiver interventions after 6 to 18 months.

The combined standardized effect was -0.54 (95% CI, -0.85 to -0.22; k=8; n=1,215; I^2 =82.9%) (**Figure 17**) among the eight trials that could be pooled, translating to a between-group difference of approximately 3.5 to 4 points on the Zarit-22. Statistical heterogeneity was substantial, consistent with the clinical heterogeneity among the trials and interventions themselves.

Caregiver mental health. Fewer trials (k=7) reported caregiver depression outcomes. While effects trended toward a benefit of care management interventions, the effects were small, and a meta-analysis of available data indicated no association (MD, -0.13 [95% CI, -0.29 to 0.02]; k=4; n=668; $I^2=0\%$) (**Figure 18**).

Caregiver quality of Life. Caregiver QOL was again variably measured, and while self-reported QOL tended to improve in intervention participants and decrease in control participants, few trials reported consistent favorable effects across measures or time.

Other patient outcomes. In terms of patient outcomes, there were mixed findings related to behavioral and neuropsychiatric symptoms, measures of depressive symptoms, and QOL, with some trials finding very small benefits of the intervention on such outcomes and others finding no effects. Besides the one trial that reported a measure unmet care needs related to care coordination, no other trial reported on how care or case management interventions impacted clinician, patient, or family decision-making.

Harms. None of the trials of care or case management interventions reported on adverse events related to the trial.

Other Caregiver and Caregiver-Patient Dyad Interventions

Study, Population, and Intervention Characteristics

We included 13 additional trials (n=2,702) that evaluated a caregiver or caregiver-patient dyad intervention that were unique in their intervention and were categorized as "other" interventions. Only three of these trials were new to this update. Interventions were: physical activity counseling for the caregiver; a multicomponent dyadic intervention; social support only; assessment and treatment planning or multidisciplinary assessment only; or another intervention.

Three fair-quality trials (n=293) focused on increasing physical activity of caregivers with a primary aim of reducing caregiver burden and improving caregivers' QOL. 400, 402, 403 All recruited caregivers of people with dementia. One trial in the United States limited inclusion to female caregivers 403 and another, also in the United States, comprised only spousal caregivers (all of whom ended up being female). 400 The remaining trial in Japan recruited caregivers living with the person with dementia. 402 The majority of women in both U.S. trials were white (>85%); race/ethnicity of caregivers in the Japanese trial was not reported. All three interventions included very little in-person contact with caregivers; rather, counseling and physical activity prescriptions were provided entirely via video and telephone, 400 telephone only, 403 or a one-time prescription for caregivers to participate in moderate-intensity physical activity and pedometer and journal for recording activity. Two additional trials (1 good-quality trial and 1 new fair-quality trial) (n=264) evaluated multicomponent dyadic interventions that included exercise

training, psychoeducation, and skills training to both patients and caregivers in their homes for 3 to 6 months. 408, 410 Each had slightly different aims. In the new trial in the Netherlands, both patients with mild dementia (MMSE=21.0) and the caregivers with whom they lived with simultaneously received exercise training, psychoeducation, communication skills training, and pleasant skills training in an attempt to improve patients' mood, behavior, and physical function as well as caregivers' mood and perceived burden. 408 In the older, good-quality trial, patients with moderate dementia (MMSE=16.7) received exercise training and their caregivers received psychoeducation with an aim of reducing functional dependence and delaying institutionalization of the patient with dementia. 410

Three additional fair-quality trials (n=486) tested the effects of a caregiver social support intervention on caregivers' QOL and well-being. ^{399, 407, 411} Two trials took place in the United States, while the other took place in the United Kingdom. All caregivers were caring for people with dementia, although the severity of dementia was not reported. Most caregivers were female in all three trials (range 64–100%). In two trials, peer volunteers were matched with caregivers and provided informational and emotional support through weekly home visits over the course of 2⁴⁰⁷ or 6 months. ³⁹⁹ In the other, telephone-based support groups were offered to caregivers through 26 weekly calls over 6 months. ⁴¹¹

Three fair-quality trials (n=1,341) focused on providing comprehensive medical and cognitive assessments, including an assessment of caregivers' impressions and well-being, and providing a standardized treatment plan. 401, 405, 406 One each took place in the United States, Australia, and France. In all cases, people with moderate dementia (MMSE range 16.6 to 19.7) and their caregivers took part in the intervention. The intensity of the interventions varied: in the US-based trials, participants took part in 8 sessions over 4 month, in the trial in Australia, patients and caregivers attended a hospital memory clinic on two occasions over the course of a year, whereas in the trial in France, dyads met with a multidisciplinary team twice a year for 2 years.

One additional good-quality trial in the Netherlands (n=301) tested the impact of a provider training program to train professionals in the assessment of and strategies for reducing caregiver burden. And, the final new, good-quality trial evaluated the effects of a Transcendental Meditation® program on the stress and QOL of 17 dementia caregivers in Australia.

Results

None of these trials showed a consistent benefit on patient or caregiver outcomes compared with control conditions. The pooled effects of the few trials reporting caregiver burden (**Figure 17**) or caregiver depressive symptoms (**Figure 18**) found inconsistent and imprecise results. Only one trial (n=160) reported adverse events experienced by the caregivers, with none occurring in either goup over the course of the 2-month intervention.⁴⁰¹

Chapter 4. Discussion

Summary of Evidence

We did not identify any direct evidence on the benefits and harms of screening for cognitive impairment, although there is one in-process trial that may help address this issue. As such, our review answers two primary questions: 1) How well does screening detect dementia or MCI in primary care? and 2) How effective are interventions to improve patient or caregiver outcomes in people with mild to moderate dementia or MCI? We identified over 260 studies that addressed these questions, more than a quarter of which were identified as part of this update. Despite the accumulation of new data, we believe that the conclusions are concordant with the findings of the previous review. 104, 105

Table 22 presents our summary of findings for all KQs as well as our assessment of the strength of evidence for each body of evidence.

Screening

Our review identified a very large body of well-conducted test-accuracy studies that evaluated brief screening instruments in unselected, community-dwelling older adults. In general, these instruments have adequate sensitivity (mostly ≥75%) and specificity (mostly ≥80%) to detect dementia, although estimates vary and the optimal diagnostic thresholds or cutoffs for many of these instruments are unclear. Across all instruments, sensitivity was generally higher in the detection of dementia than in the detection of cognitive impairment (inclusive of MCI alone or MCI and dementia diagnoses), although the confidence intervals often overlapped and the cutoffs were not always adjusted to identify a lower level of impairment. Because many instruments focus preferentially on memory dysfunction (as opposed to other domains of cognitive function) it is thought that some instruments may perform better (or more consistently) for different types of dementia. For instance, memory loss is the hallmark of AD dementia but is not necessarily impaired at an early stage with other types of dementia. Unfortunately, most studies did not specify what types of dementia were identified, although most cases are presumed to be Alzheimer's.

Even though this is a large body of evidence, only a handful of instruments have been evaluated in more than one study and few are very brief instruments that may be more applicable to primary care. The MMSE is the most thoroughly studied instrument, but it has a relatively long administration time (~7–10 minutes) and is not available for use without cost. Our bivariate pooled analysis for the MMSE at a cutoff of \leq 23 or \leq 24 (\leq 23 is the recommended cutoff) resulted in 89 percent sensitivity (95% CI, 0.85 to 0.92; I^2 =58.7%) and 90 percent specificity (95% CI, 0.86 to 0.93; I^2 =97.4%) (k=14, n=11,972) to identify dementia. Among the other instruments examined in at least two studies with adequate test performance to detect dementia among primary care-relevant populations, are: *very brief instruments* such as the Clock Drawing Test, the Memory Impairment Screen (MIS), which includes the Memory Impairment Screen Telephone and Mental State Questionnaire, the Mini-Cog, verbal fluency tests, the AD8, and the Functional Activities Questionnaire; *brief instruments* such as the Abbreviated Mental Test ,

Montreal Cognitive Assessment, 7-Minute Screen, and Saint Louis University Mental Status Examination; and the *longer*, *self-administered* Informant Questionnaire on Cognitive Decline in the Elderly (IQCODE) short and long forms. Four of these instruments (the Mini-Cog, MIS, AD8, and short IQCODE) and the General Practitioner Assessment of Cognitive (GPCOG) are endorsed by the Alzheimer's Association, Gerontological Society of America, or National Institute on Aging for use in primary care. In all cases, administration of these structured screening instruments is advised if signs or symptoms of cognitive impairment are present upon review of a health risk assessment or through clinical observation or if concerns are raised by the patient or informant. ^{102, 103, 413}

Hypothesized Benefits and Harms of Screening

Hypothesized benefits of screening for, or early detection of, cognitive impairment include the ability to: 1) optimize current medical management (e.g., search for potentially treatable or reversible disorders such as medication interactions, depression, and thyroid disease), factor in patient comprehension of and compliance with treatment plans and other conditions, avoid medications with anticholinergic effects, and better manage related symptoms, such as depression and irritability; 2) enhance understanding of the disease, including its symptoms and course and thereby help caregivers and patients better adapt to and manage the diagnosis; 3) help ensure appropriate access to programs and services for patients and families; and 4) ensure risk reduction (e.g., consider strategies to prevent delirium, motor vehicle accidents, medication errors, and financial difficulties). 414 Perhaps the best rationale to routinely screen for cognitive impairment in older adults is that early diagnosis can positively influence decision-making that leads to improved patient outcomes and reduced future costs. This may include facilitating involvement of patient and caregivers in planning medical, educational, and psychosocial interventions to suit their needs; starting early so the patient can still participate in medical, legal, and financial decisions; and making proxy plans. 414 While these are all logical arguments, there is currently little or no empirical evidence, including qualitative evidence, to support them. 415

Screening for cognitive impairment may also have direct or indirect harms as a result of diagnostic inaccuracy (false-positives and false-negatives) and because of the negative emotions and stigmatization that may arise once the patient is diagnosed. 416, 417 We found no trial evidence however, to substantiate or refute concerns about harms of screening. Recent systematic reviews regarding patients' attitudes and preferences about screening for dementia found mixed evidence. Some studies suggested that patients have no concerns and welcome having their memory evaluated, whereas others suggested that few people would agree to routine screening for memory problems for reasons such as stigma. 415, 418 Additional cross-sectional evidence in this review suggested that caregivers and the general public believe they will benefit from being screened for dementia, in part because there are effective treatments and financial benefits. 415, 419, 420 However, a few studies suggest that a high proportion (48 to 67%) of patients who screen positive for cognitive impairment refuse a diagnostic evaluation. 421, 422

Some studies suggest that a dementia diagnosis can be difficult for patients, whereas others find no deleterious associations. One recent study found that patients experienced higher stress, greater depression, and lower QOL with awareness of their diagnosis of MCI or early-stage AD versus those who were unaware of their condition. Similarly, another study found that older adults who knew they were ApoE4 carriers reported more symptoms of cognitive decline and

performed more poorly on measures of memory than adults who were ApoE4 carriers but had no information about their genetic risk. Other studies, however, have found no association between a formal dementia diagnosis and poor psychological health outcomes. Given the cross-sectional nature of the data, these studies have many limitations, and none provided a comprehensive look at the harms (or benefits) of routine screening.

Treatment

Our review was not a comprehensive synthesis of all treatment and management options for people with cognitive impairment; instead, we focused on selected interventions aimed at people with mild to moderate dementia or MCI (i.e., those populations more representative of screen-detected older adults with cognitive impairment). We reviewed available pharmacologic interventions in the United States, including FDA-approved medications for use in AD such as AChEIs and memantine, potentially disease-modifying medications (i.e., antihypertension therapy, HMG Co-A reductase inhibitors, NSAIDs, and gonadal steroids), and vitamins and supplements. Nonpharmacologic interventions represented in this review included focused and complex interventions aimed at the patient (i.e., cognitive-focused interventions, exercise interventions, and multicomponent interventions) and focused and complex interventions aimed at the caregiver or caregiver-patient dyad, including psychoeducation and care management or care coordination interventions.

Overall, based on the large body of evidence, AChEIs (donepezil, galantamine, and rivastigmine) and memantine can improve global cognitive function in the short term. The improvements seen, however, are small and may not be clinically important. On average, differences between people taking these medications versus those receiving placebo favored the medications by only about 1 to 2.5 points on the ADAS-Cog and 0.50 to 1.25 points on the MMSE. The values commonly accepted as clinically important are an ADAS-Cog change of 4 points or more (on a scale of 0– 70) or a MMSE change of 3 points of more (on a scale of 0–30). 106 Given the consistency in the effect estimates across trials and precision in these estimates over time, we are moderately confident that our pooled estimates and the results of the body of evidence lie close to true effects. While measures of global function were less commonly reported, they were still reported in most medication trials. AChEIs and memantine increased the likelihood of improving or maintaining patients' global function by 15 percent (for memantine) to 50 percent (for rivastigmine) in the short term (generally 6 months or less) as compared with placebo. There was limited evidence about the effects of these medications on measures of physical function and other important patient-reported outcomes, and the measures showed mixed results when they were reported. None of the trials of medications reported QOL outcome measures. Almost all available evidence is from trials in people with dementia, particularly those with Alzheimer's disease and those with moderate as opposed to mild forms of dementia. Evidence for these medications in people with MCI is much more limited. Trials of donepezil and memantine in patients with MCI showed no benefit on global cognitive function or in the rate of conversion from MCI to AD.

Side effects are common with all these medications and discontinuation due to adverse effects from AChEIs, but not memantine, was higher in treatment groups than in control groups. While

there did not appear to be an increase in serious adverse events in the medication trials of limited duration, some of the individual studies, including observational evidence, reported increased rates of bradycardia, and relatedly, of syncope, falls and need for pacemaker placement among those exposed versus unexposed to AChEIs. We did not abstract and analyze common adverse reactions, but the types and relative frequencies are well-described. The most common side effects for AChEIs include gastrointestinal symptoms (i.e., nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, anorexia, and abdominal discomfort), central nervous system symptoms (i.e., dizziness, headaches, sleep disturbance, somnolence, confusion, fatigue, depression, and other mood or neuropsychiatric disturbances), and cardiovascular signs/symptoms (i.e., bradycardia, hypertension, syncope, and chest pain). The most common adverse reactions for memantine include gastrointestinal symptoms (i.e., constipation, vomiting), central nervous system symptoms (i.e., dizziness, headaches, somnolence, confusion, fatigue), and cardiovascular signs (i.e., hypertension).

We have limited confidence in the evidence regarding effects of other medications, vitamins, and supplements on important functional outcomes. Although some individual trials reported promising effects particularly for vitamin E supplementation, in general, there was no consistent benefit on cognitive or physical function among those with mild to moderate dementia or MCI within each class of therapy. Harms of these agents were not clearly higher in intervention groups than in control groups.

Most of the new evidence in this review is related to nonpharmacologic patient interventions, namely cognition-focused interventions and exercise interventions among those with mild to moderate dementia (not identified through screening). While there was a relatively large number of studies, most of the individual trials were small (<100 participants). There was no overall evidence that cognitive stimulation, training, or rehabilitation improved global or domainspecific measures of cognitive function at 3 to 12 months followup. Effect estimates generally favored the intervention groups over control groups, but the magnitude of effect was inconsistent in trials and represented very wide CIs (ranging from no effect to a large effect). While a pooled analysis of cognitive training, stimulation, and rehabilitation intervention trials found a small, statistically significant mean difference of about 1.5 points on the MMSE, there was substantial clinical and statistical heterogeneity. Furthermore, there was no overall pooled difference between groups when looking specifically at measures on the ADAS-Cog. There was also no evidence that the effect of the interventions was modified based on study, population, or intervention characteristics and no evidence of longer-term effects on cognitive function. Only about half of the trials evaluating cognition-focused interventions reported other important patient outcomes such as measures of ADLs and IADLs, neuropsychiatric symptoms, or QOL, with most finding very little change over time in both intervention and control participants or small and relatively equal decline in these measures over time. Though the scales range considerably, the majority of between-group differences did not exceed a 1-point difference in favor of either group on any of these measures. Similarly, trials of exercise interventions resulted in no marked improvement in measures of global or domain-specific cognitive function compared with no intervention or usual care. There was a favorable pattern, however, for the effect of exercise interventions on measures of physical function, with those taking part in exercise interventions experiencing small improvements of unclear clinical significance (e.g., by approximately 1 point), whereas control groups reported worsening function over 3 months to 1 year. This evidence is limited by possible selective reporting (only half of the exercise trials

reported this outcome) and considerable heterogeneity in the instruments used to measure these outcomes. Likewise, there was a pattern of effect favoring the exercise groups compared with the control groups for measures of global cognitive function and neuropsychiatric and behavioral symptoms, but differences between groups were small and of unclear clinical magnitude. There were no clear benefits of multicomponent or other patient-level nonpharmacologic interventions on any important patient-reported outcome. Even those trials that specifically targeted improvements in patients' well-being and QOL found no differences between groups on these measures. Regarding all types of patient-level interventions, potential harms were rarely reported. Given the considerable heterogeneity both in the clinical characteristics of these trials and the lack of consistency and precision in the effect sizes across trials, we have low confidence that the pooled effects and patterns of effects we report in this review reflect true average effects. The heterogeneity in each individual intervention arm and differences in the populations, settings, and trial quality made it difficult to disentangle what variables might be driving larger effects, even within subgroups of interventions.

The largest body of evidence in our review included trials evaluating interventions targeting caregivers of those with dementia or the caregiver-patient dyad. Almost all the included evidence pertained to patients (or their caregivers) with dementia; very few included any patients with MCI. Further, most trials represented patients with moderate as opposed to mild dementia and none of the interventions were linked with a standard screening program. In general, these individual trials were larger and longer in duration than the other nonpharmacologic studies (likely due to the younger age and relative health of caregivers compared with patients and therefore, a greater ability to minimize loss to followup). Among trials evaluating a psychoeducation intervention for caregivers, we found that these interventions can reduce caregiver burden and depression more so than no intervention, usual care, or other brief interventions, but the average effects for both outcomes were small. Interpretation of the pooled standardized effect sizes and their 95 percent CIs ranged from very small (about 0.1) to small (about 0.3), representing between-group differences of approximately 0.5 to 3.5 points on the Zarit-22 (88-point scale) or 1.5 to 4 points on the CES-D (60-point scale). In most cases, caregivers in the intervention groups reported experiencing fewer depressive symptoms or a reduced burden over time, whereas caregivers in the control groups reported slightly more symptoms or little change over time. Slightly larger effects on caregiver burden were seen among trials evaluating comprehensive care or case management interventions. The pooled effects of care management interventions versus usual care or other brief interventions on caregiver burden indicated small (0.2) to large (0.8) effects, translating to a between-group difference of approximately 3.5 to 4 points on the Zarit-22. While effects trended toward a benefit of care management interventions on caregiver depression, the effects were small, and pooling all available data indicated no association. Regarding both outcomes and trials, the 95 percent CIs of the study-level between-group differences were often wide, suggesting a range in benefit (or lack thereof) across participants. There was no evidence in our meta-regressions, however, that one type of intervention (psychoeducation vs. care or case management vs. other caregiver or caregiver-patient dyad interventions) was more effective than the others regarding measures of caregiver burden or caregiver depression. Likewise, there were no study, population, or intervention characteristics that consistently and robustly predicted larger effects on caregiver burden or depression outcomes.

Many of these interventions, particularly those employing care management programs, had explicit goals to maximize the ability of both patients and caregivers to keep patients at home or in assisted living settings and out of skilled nursing facilities. There was a pattern of benefit where fewer people in the intervention group were placed in nursing homes (or experienced delayed time to institutionalization) compared with those in usual care, but very few trials found these differences to be statistically significant. While delay of institutionalization may be one of the most clinically important outcomes to examine within this field, it is potentially inappropriate if it is accompanied by increased stress or negative mental and physical health on the part of family caregivers. Few studies, however, have examined this relationship. Other outcomes such as caregiver or patient QOL, patient mental health and neuropsychiatric symptoms, and patient functional ability were sparsely reported across the trials, with no consistent evidence of a benefit. Decision-making and preparation for meeting dementia-related needs were only reported by one trial each, with neither finding statistically significant benefit of the interventions versus control conditions on overall scores for these measures. Only two trials reported monitoring harms related to the caregiver interventions and no harms were evident.

Comparison With Other Existing Systematic Reviews

The findings of our review are consistent with the conclusions of other recent systematic reviews that have examined the test performance of instruments to detect dementia or MCI.^{433, 434} Even with the expansion of scope in these other systematic reviews (e.g., inclusion of any clinical setting, case-control studies), these other reviews also concluded the MMSE is the most-studied instrument with test performance similar to what was seen in our review (pooled sensitivity and specificity of 0.71 and 0.74 to detect MCI and 0.81 and 0.89 to detect dementia). They additionally note that several instruments have comparable test performance as the MMSE, such as the Mini-Cog or MoCA.

Likewise, the findings of our review are generally concordant with those other recent systematic reviews that have synthesized the evidence on the benefits and harms of pharmacological and nonpharmacological interventions in people with MCI and mild-to-moderate dementia. Similar to our review, most of the identified recent reviews of trials testing the effectiveness of AChEIs and memantine found short-term small statistically significant improvements on global cognitive function and global function, as well as increased risk of adverse events compared with placebo groups. Likewise, our findings on the benefits and harms of other medications, vitamins, and supplements are consistent overall with those of comparable reviews, with primarily null findings across all reported outcome types. 441-444

Furthermore, recent reviews of trials evaluating patient-level cognitive-focused and physical activity interventions accord with our findings in that there was little-to-no benefit of the interventions on global and domain-specific cognitive function. Size, 324, 445 Similar to our review, one review of physical activity interventions found a minor improvement in physical function. On the contrary, evidence from recent reviews of studies targeting caregivers of people with dementia was less consistent with our findings. That is, three of the four identified reviews found no benefit for caregiver burden, with inconsistent findings for other outcomes (e.g., depression, quality of life, anxiety) associated with counseling, case management, and

mindfulness-based stress reduction interventions. These discordant findings are primarily due to key differences in scope resulting in lesser evidence bases in each of the respective reviews.

Implementation of Screening

Our review included an examination of brief screening instruments that could be administered in primary care (i.e., before, during, or after visits) by a clinician or primary care staff with minimal training or self-administered by the patient or a close informant. Most of the included instruments are available in the public domain, although the MMSE (which remains the best-studied instrument) is a notable exception. The opportunity cost of screening can be minimized by choosing very brief instruments or those that can be self-administered. However, we acknowledge that there are implications for the subsequent workup of people with screen-detected cognitive impairment, including issues regarding guidance on best practices for satisfactory diagnostic workup, resources and capacity for neuropsychological testing or referral to neurology, psychiatry, or geriatric specialty services (if needed), and the potential for refusal of diagnostic workup and issues around acceptability of further testing and the diagnosis itself.

Routine Screening vs. Case Finding

There is disagreement about the best approach to detect cognitive impairment. Many believe the best approach is to routinely administer a brief cognitive test to all older adults or older adults above a specified age, then provide a diagnostic evaluation or referral for those whose scores are consistent with possible dementia. Also recommended is a stepwise approach of administering a brief cognitive test only to people at high risk for or who have suspected cognitive impairment based on clinician observation, self- (or informant-) reported concerns, or review of a health risk assessment or single item indicating subjective cognitive complaints or concerns related to one's everyday function. This approach can be viewed as a two-step screening process or a casefinding approach: screening with a question on cognitive complaints and an assessment of ADLs/IADLs, followed by administration of a brief instrument designed to assess cognitive impairment. We found no evidence to support or refute this proposed method. We did, however, find one study that used electronic medical record data to identify patients at increased likelihood of having undiagnosed dementia based on their history of stroke and emergency department visits and found a higher likelihood of dementia diagnoses among that group versus controls. 450 Our review focused on screening among older adults without known cognitive impairment and therefore did not address the use of brief cognitive instruments in people with observed deficits (i.e., case-finding). We did, however, include studies that enrolled patients with subjective memory complaints, given the high prevalence of memory complaints in general among older adults. No pattern was seen in the test performance or prevalence of dementia for these studies compared with those that did not have a subjective memory complaint requirement. Further research comparing which criteria (e.g., age, comorbid conditions, functional status, self-reported memory complaint) should lead primary care clinicians to conduct cognitive screening, and perhaps how often screening should be conducted, is needed.

Age at Which to Start (and Stop) Screening

Age is the biggest risk factor for cognitive impairment. Therefore, if screening is advisable, using age to target cognitive screening is a reasonable strategy. While population estimates vary, the best estimates for dementia prevalence in North America are generally low (<5%) before age 75 and rises to approximately 10 percent among 75 to 84-year-olds and nearly 30 percent among those 85 years and older.^{4, 23}

The prevalence of dementia greatly affects the positive predictive value (PPV) of testing and therefore, can be used to infer reasonable ages at which to start screening for cognitive impairment or possibly target subpopulations in which it could be reasonable to start earlier screening. Looking across a range of sensitivities and specificities representative of currently available brief cognitive screening instruments based on our review, it appears that the PPV is greater than 60 percent if the prevalence of underlying dementia approximates 30 percent (**Table 23**). The general prevalence is much lower in populations younger than age 85 years, as are the PPVs across a range of sensitivities and specificities. If screening is advisable, there is no compelling rationale to stop screening based on increasing prevalence with age. Therefore, the rationale for stopping screening should be based on evidence that intervening in the oldest old (age 85 years and older) does not improve important outcomes or the harms of intervening outweigh the potential benefit. Our review does not support or refute this idea. Arguably, cognitive screening in the oldest old may be considered case-finding as opposed to true screening, as the prevalence of memory complaints is extremely high in this group.

Screening Interval

Likewise, at a population level, the timing and frequency of rescreening is partly dependent on the incidence of dementia and the test performance of the cognitive screening instrument (i.e., rescreening can improve the sensitivity to detect dementia). Overall, there is a wide range of incidence rates: The incidence rate grows exponentially with age, and the estimated doubling time of AD incidence in North America is 6 years. ^{27, 451} Incidence rates from one U.S.based longitudinal cohort study demonstrated that rates increase with age, from 11.7 cases per 1,000 person-years at ages younger than 75 years to 32.0 cases per 1,000 person-years at ages 75 to 79 years, 57.5 cases per 1,000 person-years at ages 80 to 84 years, and 95.9 cases per 1,000 person-years at age 85 years or older. 452 If screening is advisable, based on incidence alone, it is reasonable to offer repeated screening, such as annually, and it may be reasonable to increase the frequency of repeated screening with increasing age (or other risk factors), such as more frequent screening in the oldest old (age ≥ 85 years), based on the very high incidence of dementia in this group. Repeated screening will also improve the cumulative sensitivity to detect dementia. Therefore, it may be reasonable to choose an instrument or cutoff for an instrument with very high specificity (e.g., >90%) at the expense of a slightly lower sensitivity, knowing that with repeated screening over time, the cumulative sensitivity will be much higher. Thresholds for acceptable levels of sensitivity and specificity, and therefore choice of instrument and cutoffs, may vary depending on the stakeholder's resources and preferences.

Limitations of Our Approach

Our review has several limitations given our primary aim and target audience—the USPSTF. It was relatively narrow in scope and was not meant to be a comprehensive review of all cognitive screening instruments nor all dementia treatments. We focused on the best-quality evidence for the diagnostic accuracy of cognitive screening instruments in community-dwelling older adults relevant to primary care in the United States. Therefore, we excluded case-control studies, instruments with lengthy administration times, and studies among institutionalized adults or among those selected based on cognitive impairment or clinically suspected cognitive impairment. Additionally, we did not address other important aspects of screening test performance, including the psychometric properties of instruments (besides sensitivity and specificity), the comparative performance of screening instruments, and the ability to improve diagnostic performance by combining screening instruments.

Likewise, our review focused on best-quality evidence for interventions applicable to community-dwelling older adults with screen-detected cognitive impairment. We included only evidence among older adults (or their caregivers) with mild to moderate dementia or MCI and excluded studies among institutionalized older adults and those with severe dementia, trials of experimental therapy, and interventions aimed primarily at symptom management. Despite our best efforts, there may have been some inconsistency in operationalizing these inclusion criteria and in categorizing the interventions due to reporting in individual trials. We also did not address the comparative effectiveness of different types of interventions. Given the heterogeneity in the included evidence, even within subgroups of interventions, we were unable to explain important population or intervention characteristics that predicted larger effects or the minimum components of effective interventions.

Limitations of the Studies and Future Research Needs

Despite such a large body of research on the test accuracy of screening for cognitive impairment, as well as treatment and management of people with dementia and MCI, there are several important limitations and research gaps in the evidence base. First is the lack of evidence around decision-making outcomes. Experts in the field argue that early diagnosis is important because it influences clinical and patient decision-making. While this is a reasonable argument, there is currently little to no empirical evidence to support it. Researchers should conduct screening trials or observational studies to demonstrate changes in decision-making (at a minimum) and patient or caregiver outcomes (as an ideal). Studies examining how (and whether) earlier identification of cognitive impairment or earlier management of patients with dementia and their caregivers influence clinician decision-making (e.g., medical management of comorbid conditions) and patient and family decision-making (e.g., advanced planning) are critical to improving management of this rapidly growing health care problem.

Second, the harms of screening are very poorly studied. Some have argued that the harms of screening, other than the opportunity cost, are minimal given the noninvasive nature of screening and subsequent diagnostic workup. Others have argued that the harms of screening and mislabeling people with dementia are quite real given the variation in practice of diagnostic

confirmation of disease. If a broader adoption of screening for cognitive impairment is implemented in primary care, we need a better understanding of what, or whether, harmful tradeoffs exist.

Third, while there are many well-designed diagnostic accuracy studies, there has been very little reproducibility in testing instruments, at consistent cutoffs and for specific conditions, in primary care populations. Well-conducted diagnostic accuracy studies for the most promising instruments or those currently endorsed in national guidance need to be reproduced in relevant populations. These diagnostic accuracy studies should report adequate baseline population characteristics, including age and education (characteristics known to affect normative values of the instrument). These studies should report multiple cut-points if applicable and be explicit about scoring methods or choice of cut-points (if multiple options exist). Furthermore, studies should be explicit in describing which types of dementia were identified and have large enough samples to report the test accuracy of the instrument in detecting different forms of dementia.

Fourth, while our report did not evaluate the role of biomarkers (i.e., plasma, urine, CSF) or imaging in screening for diseases affecting cognition, such as AD (as this field is still developmental), it is an active field of research focused on early (even preclinical) detection of disease. If these types of tests prove useful in the diagnosis of types of dementia or MCI, they may provide an additional "gold standard" for diagnostic accuracy and calibration. They may also be useful for case-finding or screening purposes, should the eventual discovery of reliable, valid, sensitive, specific, and affordable tests be manifested.

Fifth, a major limitation in the treatment literature is the short followup duration (generally 6 months or less for pharmacologic trials and 1 year or less for nonpharmacologic trials). Dementia is a chronic condition that worsens over time; while one year of observation provides time to monitor changes in most outcomes, it does not provide a long enough observation period for more distal outcomes such as nursing home placement or mortality. Indeed, most of the included evidence did not include reports on rates of institutionalization or mortality, nor was it powered to detect differences in such outcomes. We acknowledge, however, that trials in older adult populations with longer duration and followup run the risk of heightened attrition due to institutionalization and mortality in addition to more general tendencies of attrition seen in longer-term studies.

Sixth, there are numerous challenges surrounding measurement within the treatment literature. In general, trials offer little consistency in the specific outcomes reported. Even within specific outcomes, the wide variation in the measures make cross-study comparisons difficult. A strikingly high number of trials do not fully describe the instruments, including the scale range or direction of benefit, used to measure key outcomes. This makes it nearly impossible to determine the magnitude of change reported in individual studies or to combine seemingly "like" outcomes in pooled analyses. In some cases, in order to be able to combine the most studies possible, we calculated standardized mean differences rather than mean differences according to the original scale of the instruments. These standardized effect sizes are generally harder to interpret and give no indication of the meaningfulness of any differences seen. Where we could, we provided an estimate of what the effect would be based on a standardized effect size to add in interpretation. Development of a set of agreed-upon patient and caregiver measures like those being populated

in the National Institutes of Health Patient-Reported Outcome Measurement Information System would advance this area of research considerably. 455

Seventh, the average treatment effects revealed by this body of evidence are disappointingly small. Consequently, it is difficult to interpret the clinical importance of such small changes. It is also possible that outcome measures themselves may have limited responsiveness (sensitivity to detect change) for patients with less pronounced cognitive impairment. For example, the ADAS-Cog and MMSE may have ceiling effects and therefore be unable to show benefit in people with MCI or even mild dementia. Other important outcomes, such as global function, physical function, QOL, and institutionalization, were inconsistently reported (except for the CIBIC+, as reported in drug trial literature). Inconsistent reporting could be symptomatic of selective reporting or inconsistent use of these outcome measures. Whatever the reason, this limits our ability to interpret effects on these outcomes as a body of literature. Given these challenges in interpreting the clinical significance of benefit (or even lack of benefit) in treatment trials, we suggest that trials should consistently report a constellation of important self-reported and objective outcomes (e.g., emergency visits and institutionalization). This might be difficult given that trials are costly to conduct and followup is limited. For outcome measures with accepted thresholds of clinical significance, consistent and standardized (using same thresholds) reporting of results that is dichotomized into "responders" and "nonresponders" will also be helpful in interpreting the small average effects on continuous outcome measures.

Eighth, the overwhelming majority of evidence is in people with AD, and additional research is needed on the effectiveness of various interventions in other types of dementia, including VaD, FTD, and DLB.

Finally, while our report did not evaluate the effectiveness of experimental therapies targeted to alter the disease process, disease-modifying therapies (e.g., those targeting amyloid-related mechanisms or tau-related mechanisms) to slow cognitive decline are an extremely active area of research. If these therapies are found to truly alter the disease process, there may be reason to change the benefit-to-risk ratio, which could have implications for routine screening for cognitive impairment.

Conclusions

Several brief screening instruments can adequately detect cognitive impairment, especially in populations with a higher prevalence of underlying dementia. There is no empiric evidence, however, that screening for cognitive impairment or early diagnosis of cognitive impairment improves patient, caregiver, family, or clinician decision-making or other important outcomes. Harms of screening for cognitive impairment are not well studied. There is a robust evidence base studying pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic interventions aimed at improving patient function and caregiver well-being. In general, there is support that AChEIs and memantine and interventions that support caregivers, including those that help coordinate care for patients and caregivers, can result in small improvements in the short term. Unfortunately, the average effects of these benefits are quite small and likely not of clinical significance. Additionally, most of the evidence pointing to positive effects is applicable to people with moderate—as opposed to mild—dementia. Therefore, the applicability of the treatment evidence to people with screen-

detected cognitive impairment is unclear. Any benefits are further limited by the commonly experienced side effects of medications and the limited availability of complex caregiver interventions. Cognitive stimulation and training, exercise interventions, and other medications and supplements showed some favorable effects on patients' cognitive and physical function, but trial evidence lacked consistency and the estimates of benefit were imprecise. There is less evidence related to screening for and treating MCI. The test performance of the few instruments evaluated to detect MCI was lower than the sensitivity and specificity to detect dementia, despite more liberal cutoffs, and there is little evidence for any pharmacologic or nonpharmacologic interventions to preserve or improve patient functioning in people with MCI.

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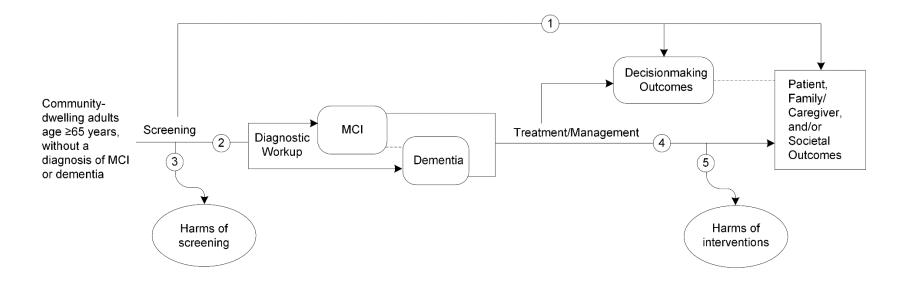
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Figure 1. Analytic Framework



Abbreviation: MCI=mild cognitive impairment.

Figure 2. Test Accuracy of Very Brief Screening Tests Reported in More Than One Study (KQ 2)

			%			
Author,	Target		with			
year	condition	Cutoff	condition	Total	Specificity (95% CI)	Sensitivity (95% CI)
CDT						
Del Ser, 2006	Dementia	NR (Freedman)	11.5	416	0.81 (0.76, 0.84)	0.98 (0.89, 1.00)
Fuchs, 2012	Dementia	≤7 (Sunderland)	5	423		0.89 (0.76, 1.00)
Kirby, 2001	Dementia	≤5 (Sunderland)	6.3	648		0.76 (0.61, 0.86)
Wolf-Klein, 1989	Dementia	Abnormal patterns	38.8	312		0.75 (0.67, 0.82)
Donnelly, 2008	MCI	1 SD (Freedman)	20	100		0.85 (0.62, 0.97)
Ehreke, 2009	MCI	≤9 (Sunderland)	15	3198		0.58 (0.54, 0.63)
Ehreke, 2011	MCI	≤9 (Sunderland)	13.6	428		0.69 (0.56, 0.79)
Lee, 2008	MCI	9/10 (Freedman)	48.2	465		0.41 (0.34, 0.47)
Lawton IADL						
Juva, 1997	Dementia	≤4	13.2	424	0.86 (0.82, 0.89)	0.91 (0.81, 0.96)
Mao, 2018	Dementia	6.5	6.6	8805		0.89 (0.86, 0.91)
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Buschke, 1999	Dementia	4	10.4	483		0.80 (0.67, 0.89)
Holsinger, 2012	Dementia	≤4	3.3	630		0.43 (0.24, 0.64)
Kuslansky, 2002	Dementia	≤4	11.7	240		0.86 (0.69, 0.94)
Lipton, 2003	Dementia	4	9	300		0.78 (0.59, 0.89)
Ranson, 2018	Dementia	≤4	13.9	824		0.82 (0.77, 0.86)
Holsinger, 2012	Cognitive Impairment	≤4	42.5	630	• 0.98 (0.96, 0.99)	0.17 (0.13, 0.22)
MSQ/SPMSQ						
Del Ser, 2006	Dementia	NR	11.5	416	• 0.88 (0.85, 0.91)	0.96 (0.86, 0.99)
Erkinjuntti, 1987	Dementia	≤7	2.5	119	◆ 1.00 (0.97, 1.00)	1.00 (0.44, 1.00)
Fillenbaum, 1990	Dementia	NR	16.4	159	0.90 (0.84, 0.94)	0.92 (0.76, 0.98)
Fillenbaum, 1990	Dementia	≤7	16.4	159	0.83 (0.76, 0.89)	1.00 (0.87, 1.00)
Hooijer, 1992	Dementia	≤7	3.6	358	• 0.98 (0.96, 0.99)	1.00 (0.77, 1.00)
Hooijer, 1992	Dementia	≤7	3.6	358	• 0.97 (0.94, 0.98)	0.92 (0.67, 0.99)
Mini-Cog						
Borson, 2006	Dementia	≤2	41.5	371	0.71 (0.65, 0.77)	0.97 (0.93, 0.99)
Fuchs, 2012	Dementia	≤1	5	423		1.00 (0.82, 1.00)
Holsinger, 2012	Dementia	≤2	3.3	630		0.76 (0.54, 0.90)
Kaufer, 2008	Dementia	0	37.7	146		0.87 (0.76, 0.95)
Borson, 2006	Cognitive Impairment	≤2	62.3	371		0.84 (0.79, 0.88)
Holsinger, 2012	Cognitive Impairment	≤2	42.5	630		0.39 (0.34, 0.45)
Kaufer, 2008	Cognitive Impairment	0	89.7	146		0.66 (0.57, 0.73)
Kaufer, 2008	MCI	0	83.5	91		0.50 (0.38, 0.62)
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Verbal Fluency						
Del Ser, 2006	Dementia	NR	11.5	416		0.98 (0.89, 1.00)
Fuchs, 2012	Dementia	≤12	5	423		0.89 (0.76, 1.00)
Heun, 1998	Dementia	≤30	12.9	287		0.84 (0.69, 0.92)
Lipton, 2003	Dementia	19	9	300		0.68 (0.48, 0.81)
Ranson, 2018	Dementia	≤8	13.9	824	0.89 (0.87, 0.92)	0.78 (0.73, 0.83)
AD8						
Chan, 2016	Dementia	≥4	14.2	309	• 0.91 (0.87, 0.94)	0.91 (0.79, 0.96)
Mao, 2018	Dementia	1.5	6.6	8805		0.88 (0.85, 0.90)
Galvin, 2005	Cognitive Impairment	≥2	52.5	236		0.85 (0.77, 0.90)
Galvin, 2005	мсі	≥2	37.8	180		0.74 (0.62, 0.83)
FAQ						
Cruz-Orduna, 2012	Dementia	≥9	9.4	160	0.82 (0.75, 0.87)	0.87 (0.62, 0.96)
Juva, 1997	Dementia	≥8	14.3	370		0.94 (0.85, 0.98)
Cruz-Orduna, 2012	Cognitive Impairment	≥2	56.3	160		0.73 (0.63, 0.81)
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^{*} MIS-T

[†] MSQ

[‡] Informant target

Figure 2. Test Accuracy of Very Brief Screening Tests Reported in More Than One Study (KQ 2)

Abbreviations: AD8 = 8-item informant interview; CDT = Clock Drawing Test; CI = confidence interval; FAQ = Functional Activities Questionnaire; KQ = key question; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MIS/MIS-T = Memory Impairment Screen/Memory Impairment Screen by Telephone; MSQ/SPMSQ = Mental Health Status Questionnaire/Short Portable Mental Status Questionnaire; NR = not reported

Figure 3. Test Accuracy of Very Brief Screening Tests Reported in One Study (KQ 2)

Test	Author,		Target		with			
name	year	Refid	condition	Cutoff	condition	Total	Sensitivity (95% CI)	Specificity (95% CI)
3-Word	Kuslansky, 2002	1943	Dementia	0	11.7	240	0.65 (0.46, 0.79)	0.85 (0.79, 0.89)
HVLT	Donnelly, 2008	1935	MCI	1 SD	20	100	0.55 (0.32, 0.77)	0.43 (0.32, 0.54)
Informant memory report	Ayalon, 2011	1964	Dementia	>2	31.8	6 47 ◆	0.96 (0.92, 0.98)	0.52 (0.47, 0.56)
Informant memory report	Ayalon, 2011	1964	Cognitive Impairment	>2	60.4	647	0.89 (0.85, 0.92)	0.75 (0.70, 0.80)
Informant memory report	Ayalon, 2011	1964	MCI	>2	42	441	0.81 (0.75, 0.86)	0.75 (0.70, 0.80)
Katz ADL	Juva, 1997	1953	Dementia	≥2	13.3	437	0.81 (0.69, 0.89)	0.83 (0.79, 0.87)
Lawton IADL	Juva, 1997	1953	Dementia	≤4	13.2	424	0.91 (0.81, 0.96)	0.86 (0.82, 0.89)
M@T - Cued recall	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<9	26.3	152	0.80 (0.65, 0.90)	0.78 (0.69, 0.84)
M@T - Encoding	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<9	26.3	152	0.58 (0.42, 0.71)	0.88 (0.81, 0.93)
M@T - Free recall	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<6	26.3	152	0.90 (0.77, 0.96)	0.77 (0.68, 0.84)
M@T - Orientation	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<5	26.3	152	0.38 (0.24, 0.53)	0.83 (0.75, 0.89)
M@T - Semantic	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<14	26.3	152	0.85 (0.71, 0.93)	0.54 (0.44, 0.63)
MF-2	Holsinger, 2012	2168	Dementia	Both yes	3.3	630	0.38 (0.20, 0.60)	0.87 (0.84, 0.89)
MF-2	Holsinger, 2012	2168	Cognitive Impairment	Both yes	42.5	630	0.24 (0.19, 0.29)	0.93 (0.90, 0.95)
ОМС	Fillenbaum, 1990	1938	Dementia	≥11	16.4	159	1.00 (0.87, 1.00)	0.58 (0.49, 0.66)
STMS	Cummings-Vaughn, 2014	1405	MCI	≤32	52.8	108	0.68 (0.56, 0.79)	0.76 (0.63, 0.86)
Self-report	Fuchs, 2012	2148	Dementia	NA	5	423	0.89 (0.76, 1.00)	0.46 (0.41, 0.51)
Sweet 16	Fong, 2011	1967	Dementia	<14	11.8	729	0.99 (0.97, 1.00)	0.72 (0.68, 0.77)
ТМТ	Heun, 1998	1942	Dementia	≤40	12.9	287	0.81 (0.66, 0.91)	0.71 (0.65, 0.76)
TMT A	Donnelly, 2008	1935	MCI	1 SD	20	100	0.30 (0.12, 0.54)	0.90 (0.81, 0.96)
ТМТ В	Donnelly, 2008	1935	MCI	1 SD	20	100	0.43 (0.18, 0.71)	0.86 (0.76, 0.93)
TYM - Calculation	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<4	26.3	152	0.40 (0.26, 0.55)	0.73 (0.64, 0.81)
TYM - Copying	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<1	26.3	152 🔷	0.05 (0.01, 0.17)	0.99 (0.95, 1.00)
TYM - Fluency	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<4	26.3	152	0.73 (0.57, 0.84)	0.66 (0.57, 0.74)
TYM - Free recall	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<3	26.3	152	0.50 (0.35, 0.65)	0.93 (0.87, 0.96)
TYM - Help	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<4	26.3	152	0.13 (0.05, 0.26)	0.93 (0.87, 0.96)
TYM - Naming	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<5	26.3	152	0.13 (0.05, 0.26)	0.96 (0.91, 0.99)
TYM - Orientation	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<10	26.3	152	0.30 (0.18, 0.45)	0.83 (0.75, 0.89)
TYM - Semantic	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<2	26.3	152	0.40 (0.26, 0.55)	0.91 (0.84, 0.95)
TYM - Similarities	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<4	26.3	152	0.53 (0.37, 0.67)	0.68 (0.59, 0.76)
TYM - Visuospatial 1	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<1	26.3	152	0.13 (0.05, 0.26)	0.94 (0.88, 0.97)
TYM - Visuospatial 2	Ozer, 2016	11254	MCI	<4	26.3	152	0.15 (0.07, 0.29)	0.90 (0.83, 0.94)
VAT	Fuchs, 2012	2148	Dementia	7/8	5	423	0.95 (0.86, 1.00)	0.96 (0.94, 0.98)

Figure 3. Test Accuracy of Very Brief Screening Tests Reported in One Study (KQ 2)

Abbreviations: 3-Word = 3-Word Memory Test; ADL = activities of daily living; CI = confidence interval; HVLT = Hopkins Verbal Learning Test; IADL = instrumental activities of daily living; KQ = key question; M@T = Memory Alteration Test; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MF-2 = 2-item functional memory screen; NA = not applicable; OMC = Orientation Memory Concentration; SD = standard deviation; STMS = Short Test of Mental Status; TMT = Trail Making Test; TYM = Test Your Memory; VAT = Visual Association Test

Figure 4. Test Accuracy of Brief Screening Tests Reported in More Than One Study (KQ 2)

Author, year	Target condition	Screened Group	Cutoff	Total	Sensitivity (95% CI)		Specificity (95% CI
7MS							
Del Ser, 2006	Dementia	All	NR	416	→ 1.00 (0.93, 1.00)	•	0.95 (0.92, 0.97)
Solomon, 2000	Dementia	All-extrapolated	≥0.7	137		•	0.96 (0.91, 0.98)
AMT							
Hooijer, 1992	Dementia	All	≤7	358	0.92 (0.67, 0.99)	•	0.95 (0.93, 0.97)
Rait, 2000	Dementia	Gujarati	≤5	101 —	1.00 (0.16, 1.00)	-	0.95 (0.86, 0.99)
Rait, 2000	Dementia	Pakistani	≤ 8	101		→	0.87 (0.68, 0.96)
Rait, 2000	Dementia	All	≤7	96	→ 1.00 (0.54, 1.00)	+	0.83 (0.76, 0.91)
MoCA							
Chan, 2016	Dementia	60 years or older	≤16	309	0.84 (0.71, 0.92)	*	0.89 (0.85, 0.92)
Hsu, 2015	Dementia	All	23.5	276	0.78 (0.51, 0.90)	•	0.94 (0.90, 0.96)
Lee, 2008	Dementia	All	≤22	196	→ 0.98 (0.88, 1.00)	-	0.66 (0.59, 0.73)
Markwick, 2012	Dementia	All	≤25	107	→ 1.00 (0.68, 1.00)	-	0.65 (0.55, 0.73)
Cummings-Vaughn, 2014	Cognitive Impairment	All	≤24	136	→ 0.80 (0.70, 0.87)	-	0.75 (0.61, 0.84)
Lee, 2008	Cognitive Impairment	All	≤22	196	→ 0.94 (0.86, 0.97)	-	0.84 (0.77, 0.90)
Markwick, 2012	Cognitive Impairment	All	≤25	107		+	0.76 (0.65, 0.84)
Cummings-Vaughn, 2014	MCI	All	≤24	108	O.72 (0.59, 0.82)	+	0.75 (0.61, 0.84)
Lee, 2008	MCI	All	≤22	152		-	0.84 (0.77, 0.90)
Markwick, 2012	MCI	All	≤25	99		+	0.76 (0.65, 0.84)
SLUMS							
Tariq, 2006	Dementia	Less than HS edu	≤22.5	214	→ 1.00 (0.88, 1.00)	-	0.69 (0.62, 0.75)
Tariq, 2008	Dementia	HS edu or more	≤24.5	488	→ 0.98 (0.90, 1.00)		0.65 (0.61, 0.70)
Tariq, 2008	Cognitive Impairment	Less than HS edu	≤22.5	214	→ 0.86 (0.76, 0.92)	-	0.86 (0.79, 0.91)
Tariq, 2008	Cognitive Impairment	HS edu or more	≤24.5	488	0.89 (0.84, 0.93)	•	0.87 (0.83, 0.90)
Cummings-Vaughn, 2014	MCI	All	≤26	108	O.74 (0.61, 0.83)	_	0.65 (0.51, 0.76)
Tariq, 2008	MCI	Less than HS edu	≤23.5	187	0.92 (0.81, 0.97)	-	0.81 (0.74, 0.87)
Tariq, 2008	MCI	HS edu or more	≤25.5	433	◆ 0.95 (0.90, 0.98)	+	0.76 (0.71, 0.80)
TICS/TICS-M							
Lipton, 2003	Dementia	All-extrapolated	28	300	0.74 (0.55, 0.87)	•	0.93 (0.89, 0.95)
Manly, 2011	Dementia	All	≤22	377	→ 0.88 (0.77, 0.95)	+	0.87 (0.83, 0.90)
Manly, 2011	Cognitive Impairment	All	≤26	377	0.73 (0.64, 0.80)	+	0.77 (0.71, 0.82)
Vercambre, 2010	Cognitive Impairment	All	31	120	0.71 (0.53, 0.85)	→	0.83 (0.74, 0.89)
Cook, 2009	MCI	All	34	71	0.82 (0.59, 0.94)	→	0.87 (0.76, 0.94)
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Abbreviations: 7MS = 7-Minute Screen; AMT = Abbreviated Mental Test; CI = confidence interval; HS edu = high school education; KQ = key question; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; NR = not reported; SLUMS = Saint Louis University Mental Status Examination; TICS/TICS-M = Telephone Instrument for Cognitive Status/Telephone Interview for Cognitive Status modified

Figure 5. Test Accuracy of Brief Screening Tests Reported in One Study (KQ 2)

Test	Author,	Target	Screened					
name	year	condition	Group	Cutoff	Total		Sensitivity (95% CI)	Specificity (95% CI)
FCR	Del Ser, 2006	Dementia	All	NR	416	-	1.00 (0.93, 1.00)	0.87 (0.83, 0.90)
FOME-abbreviated	Rideaux, 2012	Cognitive Impairment	White	≤20	380	+	0.55 (0.50, 0.60)	0.93 (0.91, 0.96)
FOME-abbreviated	Rideaux, 2012	Cognitive Impairment	Black	≤21	87	—	0.65 (0.55, 0.75)	0.74 (0.64, 0.83)
FOME-abbreviated	Rideaux, 2012	Cognitive Impairment	Latino	≤24	55	\rightarrow	0.93 (0.77, 0.98)	0.57 (0.39, 0.73)
Immediate Recall	Fuchs, 2012	Dementia	All	≤14	423	-	1.00 (0.85, 1.00)	0.83 (0.79, 0.87)
Kendrick Cognitive Tests	Fillenbaum, 1990	Dementia	All	NA	159	—	0.65 (0.46, 0.81)	0.95 (0.90, 0.97)
Labyrinth Test - mistakes	Heun, 1998	Dementia	All	≤3	287	-	0.88 (0.75, 0.96)	0.60 (0.54, 0.66)
Labyrinth Test - seconds	Heun, 1998	Dementia	All	≤80	287		0.58 (0.41, 0.71)	0.84 (0.79, 0.88)
M@T	Ozer, 2016	MCI	All	<40	152	-	0.85 (0.71, 0.93)	0.84 (0.76, 0.90)
MMblind	Resichies, 1997	Dementia	85-95+ years	16/17	243	—	0.73 (0.63, 0.82)	0.78 (0.71, 0.84)
MMblind	Resichies, 1997	Dementia	All	17/18	491	+	0.85 (0.77, 0.91)	0.82 (0.78, 0.86)
MMblind	Resichies, 1997	Dementia	70-84 years	18/19	248		0.81 (0.60, 0.92)	0.89 (0.85, 0.93)
ОТ	Del Ser, 2006	Dementia	All	NR	416	→	0.98 (0.86, 0.99)	0.86 (0.82, 0.89)
SMMSE	Stein, 2015	Dementia	Follow-up 1	≤4	2657	•	0.98 (0.92, 0.99)	0.73 (0.71, 0.75)
SMMSE	Stein, 2015	Dementia	Follow-up 2	≤4	2274	•	0.94 (0.88, 0.97)	0.71 (0.69, 0.73)
Storandt Battery	Fillenbaum, 1990	Dementia	All	≥0	159	-	1.00 (0.87, 1.00)	0.56 (0.48, 0.65)
TYM	Ozer, 2016	MCI	All	<43	152	—	0.63 (0.47, 0.76)	0.87 (0.79, 0.92)
Word List Learning - immediate recall	Heun, 1998	Dementia	All	≤3	287	—	0.82 (0.86, 0.91)	0.77 (0.72, 0.82)
Word List Learning - immediate recognition false alarm	sHeun, 1998	Dementia	All	≤1	287 —		0.23 (0.13, 0.40)	0.77 (0.72, 0.82)
Word List Learning - immediate recognition hit	Heun, 1998	Dementia	All	≤β	287	—	0.57 (0.41, 0.71)	0.71 (0.65, 0.76)
Word List Recognition	Fuchs, 2012	Dementia	All	≤16	423		0.71 (0.49, 0.92)	0.93 (0.91, 0.96)
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Figure 5. Test Accuracy of Brief Screening Tests Reported in One Study (KQ 2)

Abbreviations: CI = confidence interval; FCR = Free and Cued Recall; FOME = Fuld Object Memory Evaluation; MMblind = MMSE version for persons with visual impairment; KQ = key question; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; NR = not reported; SLUMS = Saint Louis University Mental Status Examination; TICS/TICS-M = Telephone Instrument for Cognitive Status/Telephone Interview for Cognitive Status modified

Figure 6. Bivariate Pooled Analysis of Test Accuracy of the MMSE to Detect Dementia at a Cut-Off of ≥23 or ≥24 (KQ)

% Author, Screened with year Group Cutoff Total condition Sensitivity (95% CI) Specificity (95% CI) 283 10.2 0.81 (0.62, 0.90) 0.76 (0.70, 0.81) Brodaty, 2002 ΑII ≤24 Cullen, 2005 ΑII ≤23 1115 3.9 0.91 (0.79, 0.96) 0.87 (0.85, 0.89) Fillenbaum, 1990 **◆** 1.00 (0.87, 1.00) 0.77 (0.70, 0.84) ΑII ≤23 159 16.4 Fong, 2011 ΑII ≤23 709 12.1 0.87 (0.78, 0.95) 0.89 (0.86, 0.92) **◆** 1.00 (0.96, 1.00) Gagnon, 1990 ΑII 24 2730 3.7 0.78 (0.77, 0.80) Grut, 1993 ΑII ≤23 1810 16.8 0.87 (0.83, 0.90) 0.92 (0.91, 0.93) Heun, 1998 ΑII ≤23 0.84 (0.69, 0.92) 0.99 (0.97, 1.00) 287 12.9 Hooijer, 1992 0.77 (0.50, 0.92) ΑII ≤23 358 3.6 0.96 (0.94, 0.98) Kahle-Wrobleski, 2007 Age 90-93 HS edu or less 23 49 30.6 0.87 (0.62, 0.96) 0.94 (0.81, 0.98) Kahle-Wrobleski, 2007 23 0.90 (0.70, 0.97) 0.93 (0.70, 0.99) Age 94-96 HS edu or less 35 57.1 0.90 (0.75, 0.97) Kahle-Wrobleski, 2007 Age 97 or over college grad 23 49 36.7 0.89 (0.67, 0.97) Kay, 1985 ΑII 0.85 (0.70, 0.93) 0.81 (0.75, 0.85) ≤24 274 14.2 Kirby, 2001 ΑII ≤23 648 6.3 0.88 (0.74, 0.95) 0.88 (0.85, 0.90) Ranson, 2018 ΑII ≤23 824 35.3 0.93 (0.90, 0.96) 0.71 (0.67, 0.75) Resichies, 1997 0.78 (0.68, 0.86) ΑII ≤23 449 19.4 0.88 (0.84, 0.91) 0.93 (0.86, 0.97) 0.96 (0.95, 0.97) Stein, 2015 ΑII ≤24 2657 3.2 Waite, 1998 ΑII ≤23 360 27.5 0.84 (0.75, 0.90) 0.88 (0.84, 0.92) Overall 0.89 (0.85, 0.93) 0.89 (0.85, 0.92) .2 .4 .6 .8 0 .2 .4 .6 .8

Abbreviations: CI = confidence interval; HS edu = high school education; KQ = key question; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination

Figure 7. Test Accuracy of the MMSE at Other Cut-Offs (KQ 2)

Author,	Screened				
year	Group	Cutoff	Total	Sensitivity (95% CI)	Specificity (95% CI)
Dementia					
Chan, 2016	60 years or older	≤20	309	0.75 (0.61, 0.85)	0.94 (0.90, 0.96)
Cruz-Orduna, 2012	All	≤18	160	0.80 (0.55, 0.93)	→ 0.86 (0.80, 0.91)
Hsu, 2015	All	28.5	276	0.38 (0.18, 0.61)	0.92 (0.88, 0.95)
Jeong, 2004	All	≤18	235	→ 0.91 (0.79, 0.98)	0.76 (0.69, 0.82)
Kahle-Wrobleski, 2007	Age 90 to 93 some college	22	57 -	◆ 0.92 (0.65, 0.99)	→ 0.96 (0.85, 0.99)
Kahle-Wrobleski, 2007	Age 97 or over HS edu or less	22	32	0.80 (0.55, 0.93)	0.76 (0.53, 0.90)
Kahle-Wrobleski, 2007	Age 94 to 96 some college	25	43	0.88 (0.66, 0.97)	0.80 (0.66, 0.90)
Kahle-Wrobleski, 2007	Age 90 to 93 college grad	25	63	0.82 (0.61, 0.93)	0.85 (0.66, 0.94)
Kaufer, 2008	All	≤26	146	0.82 (0.69, 0.91)	0.67 (0.56, 0.77)
Mao, 2018	All	20.5	8805	0.89 (0.86, 0.91)	◆ 0.82 (0.81, 0.83)
Morales, 1997	Rural	20	160	0.83 (0.63, 0.93)	0.74 (0.66, 0.80)
Rait, 2000	Gujarati	≤23	62	→ 1.00 (0.16, 1.00)	→ 0.95 (0.86, 0.99)
Rait, 2000	All	≤25	96	→ 0.83 (0.76, 0.91)	0.78 (0.69, 0.86)
Rait, 2000	Pakistani	≤26	39	→ 1.00 (0.66, 1.00)	0.77 (0.57, 0.89)
Resichies, 1997	70-84 years	≤26	236	0.80 (0.58, 0.92)	→ 0.82 (0.77, 0.87)
Tarig, 2006	Less than HS edu	≤27.5	214	0.85 (0.68, 0.94)	→ 0.72 (0.65, 0.78)
Tariq, 2006	HS edu or more	≤28.5	488	→ 0.95 (0.85, 0.98)	◆ 0.69 (0.65, 0.73)
Cognitive Impairment					
Cruz-Orduna, 2012	All	≤23	160	0.77 (0.67, 0.84)	0.70 (0.58, 0.79)
Cullen, 2005	All	≤23	1115 -	• 0.72 (0.63, 0.80)	0.89 (0.87, 0.91)
Jeong, 2004	All	≤20	235	→ 0.82 (0.73, 0.89)	0.79 (0.71, 0.86)
Kaufer, 2008	All	≤26	146 →	0.56 (0.47, 0.64)	0.87 (0.62, 0.96)
Rideaux, 2012	Black	≤22	87	0.67 (0.53, 0.79)	0.71 (0.55, 0.83)
Rideaux, 2012	Latino	 ≤24	55	→ 0.93 (0.86, 1.00)	0.71 (0.60, 0.83)
Rideaux, 2012	White	≤25	380 →	0.58 (0.50, 0.66)	→ 0.86 (0.81, 0.90)
Tariq, 2006	Less than HS edu	=27.5	214	- 0.60 (0.49, 0.70)	→ 0.79 (0.71, 0.85)
Tariq, 2006	HS edu or more	≤28.5	488	0.60 (0.53, 0.67)	◆ 0.76 (0.70, 0.80)
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MCI					
Donnelly, 2008	All	1 SD	100 —	0.20 (0.06, 0.44)	→ 0.93 (0.84, 0.97)
Kaufer, 2008	All	≤27	91	0.47 (0.36, 0.59)	0.73 (0.45, 0.92)
Saxton, 2009	All	28	524 →	0.45 (0.39, 0.52)	→ 0.80 (0.75, 0.84)
Tariq, 2006	Less than HS edu	≤28.5	187	- 0.60 (0.46, 0.72)	0.65 (0.57, 0.72)
Tariq, 2006	HS edu or more	≤29.5	433	→ 0.75 (0.67, 0.82) →	- 0.48 (0.42, 0.53)
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Abbreviations: CI = confidence interval; HS edu = high school education; KQ = key question; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination

Figure 8. Test Accuracy of Longer, Self-Administered Tests (KQ 2)

Target condition	Author, year	Cutoff	Total		Sensitivity (95% CI)		Specificity (95% CI)
CAMCI							
MCI	Saxton, 2009	NA	524	+	0.86 (0.83, 0.92)	•	0.94 (0.90, 0.96)
CAST							
Dementia	Swearer, 2002	≤33	46		0.88 (0.53, 0.98)	→	0.95 (0.83, 0.99)
CIDS/SCIDS							
Dementia	Waite, 1998	≥7	360	-	0.89 (0.81, 0.94)	•	0.89 (0.84, 0.92)
Dementia	Waite, 1998	≥4	360	-	0.83 (0.74, 0.89)	+	0.87 (0.82, 0.91)
IQCODE/Short IQCOE	DE						
Dementia	Cruz-Orduna, 2012	≥3.7	160		0.80 (0.55, 0.93)	+	0.77 (0.69, 0.83)
Dementia	Morales, 1997	3.3	160		0.83 (0.63, 0.93)	+	0.83 (0.76, 0.89)
Dementia	Tokuhara, 2006	≥3.5	230	-	0.88 (0.64, 0.97)	•	0.91 (0.87, 0.94)
Dementia	Ayalon, 2011*	>3	647	•	0.88 (0.83, 0.92)	+	0.51 (0.46, 0.55)
Cognitive Impairment	Cruz-Orduna, 2012	≥3.4	160	-	0.71 (0.61, 0.79)	—	0.74 (0.63, 0.83)
Cognitive Impairment	Tokuhara, 2006	≥3.5	230	-	0.74 (0.54, 0.87)	•	0.92 (0.88, 0.95)
Cognitive Impairment	Ayalon, 2011*	>3	647	•	0.82 (0.77, 0.85)	+	0.69 (0.63, 0.74)
MCI	Ayalon, 2011*	>3	441	+	0.75 (0.68, 0.80)	+	0.69 (0.63, 0.74)
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^{*} Short IQCODE

Abbreviations: CAMCI = Computer Assessment of Mild Cognitive Impairment; CAST = Cognitive Assessment Screening Test; CI = confidence interval; CIDS = Concord Informant Dementia Scale; IQCODE = Informant Questionnaire on Cognitive Decline in the Elderly; IQCODE-Short = Informant Questionnaire on Cognitive Decline in the Elderly - short version; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; NA = not applicable; SCIDS = Short Concord Informant Dementia Scale

Figure 9. Pooled Analysis of Change in Global Cognitive Function (Measured by ADAS-Cog-11) (KQ4), AChEIs and Memantine Compared With Placebo, by Medication Type

Study	Total dose/day	Followup, months*	BG MD in Change (95% CI)	% Weight	IG Mean Chg (95% CI) from BL	IG n	CG Mean Chg (95% CI) from BL	CG n
Donepezil								
Black, 2003	10 mg	6 -	-2.24 (-3.35, -1.13)		-1.5 (-2.3, -0.7)	186	0.7 (-0.1, 1.5)	188
Burns, 1999	10 mg	6 -	-2.90 (-3.88, -1.92)	20.33	-1.3 (-2.0, -0.6)	273	1.7 (1.0, 2.4)	274
Petersen, 2005	10 mg	36	-0.06 (-1.41, 1.29)		3.7 (2.8, 4.6)		3.7 (2.8, 4.7)	193
Rogers, 1998	10 mg	3 -	-3.10 (-4.25, -1.95)	18.58	-2.7 (-3.5, -1.9)	155	0.4 (-0.4, 1.2)	150
Tune, 2003	10 mg	6 —	-2.09 (-4.96, 0.78)	6.94	-3.7 (-6.3, -1.0)	14	-1.6 (-2.7, -0.4)	13
Wilkinson, 2003 Subtotal (I-squared	10 mg = 64.4%, p	6 = 0.015)	-2.09 (-3.24, -0.94) -2.13 (-3.01, -1.26)		-2.2 (-3.1, -1.3)	194	-0.1 (-0.9, 0.7)	180
Galantamine Auchus, 2007	16-24 mg	6	-1.40 (-2.28, -0.52)	12 70	-1.7 (-2.3, -1.1)	388	-0.3 (-0.9, 0.3)	379
Brodaty, 2005	16-24 mg		-1.40 (-2.26, -0.52)		-1.6 (-2.3, -0.9)		1.2 (0.6, 1.8)	296
Erkinjuntti, 2002	24 mg	6	-2.70 (-3.76, -1.64)		-1.7 (-2.5, -0.9)		1.0 (0.0, 2.0)	162
Raskind,2000	24 mg	6 —	-2.70 (-3.95, -1.45)		1.9 (1.2, 2.6)		2.0 (1.1, 2.9)	207
Rockwood, 2001	24 mg		-1.70 (-2.79, -0.61)		-1.1 (-1.7, -0.5)		0.6 (-0.3, 1.5)	120
Rockwood, 2006	16-24 mg		-1.70 (-2.73, -0.01)		-1.6 (-2.9, -0.3)	62	0.3 (-1.0, 1.6)	65
Tariot, 2000	24 mg	5	-3.10 (-4.18, -2.02)		-1.4 (-2.2, -0.6)		1.7 (0.9, 2.5)	255
Wilcock, 2000	24 mg	6	-2.90 (-4.15, -1.65)		-0.5 (-1.2, 0.2)		2.4 (1.6, 3.2)	215
Wilkinson, 2001	24 mg	3	-3.00 (-5.23, -0.77)		-1.4 (-3.2, 0.4)	55	1.6 (0.2, 3.0)	82
Subtotal (I-squared			-2.13 (-2.82, -1.44)		-1.4 (-3.2, 0.4)	33	1.0 (0.2, 3.0)	02
Rivastigmine								
Ballard, 2008	3-12 mg	6	-1.00 (-2.05, 0.05)	20.85	-0.7 (-1.4, 0.0)	360	0.4 (-0.3, 1.1)	338
Corey-Bloom, 1998	-	6 -	-4.40 (-5.50, -3.30)		-0.3 (-1.1, 0.5)		4.1 (3.3, 4.9)	234
Feldman, 2007	9.6 ma	6 —	-2.90 (-4.24, -1.56)		-0.2 (-1.1, 0.7)	227		220
Rosler, 1999	6-12 mg	6 —	-2.28 (-3.64, -0.92)		-0.8 (-1.8, 0.2)		1.5 (0.5, 2.3)	225
Winblad, 2007	12 mg	6	-1.60 (-2.70, -0.50)		-0.6 (-1.4, 0.2)		1.0 (0.2, 1.8)	281
Subtotal (I-squared	_	= 0.000)	-2.43 (-3.67, -1.19)	_	,		,	
Memantine								
Bakchine, 2008	20 mg	6	-0.85 (-2.02, 0.32)	13.11	-1.9 (., .)	268	-1.1 (., .)	135
Choi, 2011¶	20 mg	4	-0.66 (-2.81, 1.49)	7.63	-0.7 (-2.1, 0.7)	84	-0.0 (-1.7, 1.6)	74
Dysken, 2014	20 mg	12	-0.97 (-2.99, 1.05)	8.21	3.3 (1.9, 4.7)	116	4.2 (2.8, 5.7)	106
Orgogozo, 2002	20 mg	6 -	-2.00 (-3.55, -0.45)	10.63	-0.4 (., .)	147	1.6 (., .)	141
Peskind, 2006	20 mg	6 -	-1.37 (-2.28, -0.46)		-0.9 (-1.7, -0.2)		0.4 (-0.3, 1.2)	198
Peters, 2015#	20 mg	12	0.26 (0.02, 0.50)	18.46	2.0 (1.8, 2.2)	94	1.7 (1.6, 1.9)	96
Porsteinsson, 2008	_	6	-0.70 (-1.65, 0.25)		0.6 (-1.0, 2.2)	214	1.2 (-0.3, 2.7)	213
Wilcock, 2002	20 mg	6	-1.75 (-3.02, -0.48)		-0.5 (-1.4, 0.3)		-2.3 (-3.2, -1.3)	261
Subtotal (I-squared	_		-0.93 (-1.70, -0.16)		,		, , -/	
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^{*} For all analyses, we focused on 6- to 12-month outcomes and included only shorter- or longer-term results when 6- or 12-month outcomes were not available.

Abbreviations: AChEIs = acetylcholinesterase inhibitors; ADAS-Cog-11 = Alzheimer's disease assessment scale—cognitive subscale (11-items); BG = between-group; BL = baseline; CG = control group; Chg = change; CI = confidence interval; IG = intervention group; KQ = key question; MD = mean difference; mg = milligrams; n = sample size

 $[\]dagger$ Pooled mean difference, -2.13 (95% CI: -3.32 to -0.94); k=6; n=1981; I²=64.4%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

[‡] Pooled mean difference, -2.13 (95% CI: -2.94 to -1.32); k=9; n=3786; I²=65.9%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

^{\$} Pooled mean difference, -2.43 (95% CI: -4.10 to -0.75); k=5; n=2618; I²=81.9%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

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[¶] Both intervention and control groups received 5-10 mg/day rivastigmine plus memantine or placebo

[#] Both intervention and control groups received 24 mg/day galantamine plus memantine or placebo

Figure 10. Pooled Analysis of Change in Global Cognitive Function (Measured by MMSE) (KQ4), AChEls and Memantine Compared With Placebo, by Medication Type

Study	Total dose/day	Followup, months*		BG MD in Change (95% CI)	% Weight	IG Mean Chg (95% CI) from BL	IG n	CG Mean Chg (95% CI) from BL	CG n
Donepezil									
Black, 2003	10 mg	6	-	1.10 (0.50, 1.70)	11.33	1.5 (1.1, 1.9)	195	0.4 (-0.1, 0.8)	194
Doody, 2009	5-10 mg	11	+	0.10 (-0.34, 0.54)	12.63	0.1 (-0.1, 0.3)	379	0.0 (-0.4, 0.4)	378
Feldman, 2001	10 mg	6	—	1.79 (0.85, 2.73)	8.52	1.3 (0.7, 2.0)	131	-0.4 (-1.1, 0.2)	139
Holmes, 2004	10 mg	6	—	1.70 (0.17, 3.23)	5.07	-0.1 (-1.3, 1.1)	41	-1.8 (-2.8, -0.8)	55
Ikeda, 2015	10 mg	3	—	1.60 (0.35, 2.85)	6.48	2.2 (1.4, 3.0)	49	0.6 (-0.4, 1.6)	44
Mazza, 2006	5 mg	6		1.20 (-1.20, 3.60)	2.60	1.2 (-3.6, 1.2)	25	-0.3 (-2.2, 2.7)	26
Mori, 2012	10 mg	3	—	2.40 (0.90, 3.90)	5.21	2.0 (0.9, 3.1)	36	-0.4 (-1.4, 0.6)	31
Petersen, 2005	10 mg	36	+←	0.44 (-0.37, 1.25)	9.56	-2.3 (-2.9, -1.7)	161	-2.8 (-3.3, -2.2)	193
Rogers, 1998	10 mg	3	-	1.30 (0.64, 1.96)	10.80	1.3 (0.8, 1.8)	156	0.0 (-0.5, 0.5)	150
Seltzer, 2004	10 mg	6	—	1.80 (0.72, 2.88)	7.51	1.3 (0.6, 2.0)	91	0.1 (-0.7, 0.9)	55
Wilkinson, 2003	10 mg	6	→	1.15 (0.50, 1.80)	10.88	1.4 (0.9, 1.8)	203	0.2 (-0.2, 0.7)	188
Winblad, 2001	10 mg	12	—	1.70 (0.87, 2.53)	9.42	-0.5 (-1.2, 0.2)	135	-2.2 (-2.7, -1.7)	137
Subtotal (I-square	d = 65.3%,	p = 0.001)	♦	1.24 (0.81, 1.67)	100.00				
Galantamine									
Hager, 2014	24 mg	12	+	0.58 (0.26, 0.90)	100.00	-0.5 (-0.7, -0.3)	874	-1.1 (-1.3, -0.9)	891
Subtotal (I-square	d = .%, p =	.)	◊	0.58 (0.26, 0.90)	100.00				
Rivastigmine									
Agid, 1998	6 mg	3	┿	0.30 (-0.46, 1.06)	18.03	0.3 (-0.3, 0.9)	103	0.0 (-0.5, 0.5)	117
Ballard, 2008	3-12 mg	6	+←	0.60 (-0.22, 1.42)	16.50	0.4 (-0.3, 1.1)	360	-0.2 (-0.6, 0.2)	338
Feldman, 2007	9.6 mg	6	→	1.70 (1.06, 2.34)	21.56	0.3 (-0.1, 0.7)	277	-1.4 (-1.9, -0.9)	220
Mok, 2007	6 mg	6 —	→	- 0.70 (-2.98, 4.38)	1.37	0.6 (-1.7, 2.9)	20	-0.1 (-3.0, 2.8)	19
Rosler, 1999	6-12 mg	6	→	0.88 (0.14, 1.62)	18.70	0.3 (-0.3, 0.9)	199	-0.5 (-1.0, -0.0)	225
Winblad, 2007	12 mg	6	→	0.80 (0.23, 1.37)	23.84	0.8 (0.4, 1.2)	256	0.0 (-0.4, 0.4)	281
Subtotal (I-square	d = 44.9%	p = 0.106)	♦	0.88 (0.45, 1.32)†	100.00				
Memantine									
Choi, 2011§	20 mg	4	→	-0.40 (-1.29, 0.49)	18.81	-0.3 (-0.9, 0.3)	84	0.1 (-0.5, 0.7)	74
Dysken, 2014	20 mg	12		0.29 (-0.68, 1.26)	16.76	-1.1 (-1.8, -0.4)	115	-1.4 (-2.1, -0.7)	106
Orgogozo, 2002	20 mg	6		1.23 (0.23, 2.23)	15.83	1.8 (1.1, 2.4)	105	0.5 (-0.2, 1.3)	108
Porsteinsson, 2008	3 20 mg	6	 • -	0.50 (-0.10, 1.10)	30.14	-0.2 (-0.8, 0.4)	210	-0.6 (-1.2, 0.0)	198
Wilkinson, 2012	20 mg	12		0.24 (-0.66, 1.14)	18.46	-0.4 (-1.4, 0.5)	103	-0.7 (-1.7, 0.2)	114
Subtotal (I-square	d = 33.2%,	p = 0.200)	\diamond	0.36 (-0.10, 0.83)‡	100.00				
NOTE: Weights are	e from rando	om effects analysis							
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^{*} For all analyses, we focused on 6- to 12-month outcomes and included only shorter- or longer-term results when 6- or 12-month outcomes were not available.

Abbreviations: AChEIs = acetylcholinesterase inhibitors; BG = between-group; BL = baseline; CG = control group; Chg = change; CI = confidence interval; Intv = Intervention; IG = intervention group; KQ = key question; MD = mean difference; mg = milligrams; MMSE = mini-mental state examination; n = sample size

[†] Pooled mean difference, 0.88 (95% CI: 0.28 to 1.49); k=6; n=2415; I²=44.9%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

[‡] Pooled mean difference, 0.36 (95% CI: -0.31 to 1.04); k=5; n=1217; I²=33.2%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

[§] Both intervention and control groups received 5-10 mg/day rivastigmine plus memantine or placebo

Figure 11. Pooled Analysis of Risk of Improvement or Maintenance in Global Function (KQ4), AChEls and Memantine Compared With Placebo, by Medication Type

Study	Total dose/day	Followup, months*		RR (95% CI)	% Weight	Events/N, IG	Events/N, CG
Donepezil							
Black, 2003	10 mg	6	+	1.04 (0.91, 1.18)	15.25	140/195	134/194
Burns, 1999	10 mg	6	+	1.29 (1.11, 1.50)	14.65	172/273	134/274
Feldman, 2001	10 mg	6	 → -	1.50 (1.20, 1.89)	12.37	88/140	61/146
Mori, 2012	10 mg	3	│ →	1.93 (1.34, 2.78)	8.72	27/28	15/30
Rogers, 1998	10 mg	3	 	2.12 (1.43, 3.15)	8.00	58/152	27/150
Salloway, 2004	10 mg	6	+	1.00 (0.88, 1.12)	15.46	75/89	93/110
Wilkinson, 2003	10 mg	6	 ◆ -	1.29 (0.94, 1.77)		65/202	47/188
Winblad, 2001	10 mg	12	<u> </u>	→ 2.74 (1.02, 7.39)		13/93	5/98
Rogers, 1996	5 mg	3	-	1.12 (0.93, 1.35)		34/38	32/40
Subtotal (I-squared	= 77.4%, p	= 0.000)	◇	1.31 (1.12, 1.53)†			
Galantamine							
Auchus, 2007	16-24 mg	6	•	1.03 (0.94, 1.12)	17.82	274/363	273/371
Brodaty, 2005	16-24 mg	6	♦	1.19 (1.07, 1.33)	15.60	191/240	173/259
Erkiniuntti, 2002	24 ma	6	+	1.25 (1.08, 1.45)	12.17	213/288	95/161
Raskind,2000	24 mg	6	+	1.29 (1.11, 1.50)	11.82	136/186	111/196
Tariot, 2000	24 mg	5	♦	1.31 (1.12, 1.52)		162/253	128/261
Wilcock, 2000	24 mg	6	 →	1.24 (1.04, 1.48)	10.05	127/206	101/203
Wilkinson, 2001	24 mg	3	→	1.21 (1.00, 1.46)		44/53	57/83
Rockwood, 2001	24-32 mg	3	+	1.29 (1.11, 1.50)		194/240	77/123
Subtotal (I-squared	_		0	1.21 (1.12, 1.30)‡			
Rivastigmine							
Winblad, 2007	12 mg	6	◆	1.22 (1.09, 1.38)	31.35	188/253	169/278
Agid, 1998	6 mg	3	→	1.43 (1.00, 2.04)	17.30	44/103	35/117
Corey-Bloom, 1998	_	6	→	1.49 (0.97, 2.30)		35/145	31/192
Rosler, 1999	6-12 mg	6	 	2.02 (1.47, 2.77)		78/193	44/220
Feldman, 2007	9.6 mg	6	—	1.62 (1.15, 2.29)		67/220	40/213
Subtotal (I-squared	= 61.4%, p	= 0.035)	◇	1.50 (1.22, 1.85)§			
Memantine							
Orgogozo, 2002	20 mg	6	-	1.14 (0.93, 1.40)	40.73	88/147	74/141
Saxton, 2012	20 mg	3	-	1.16 (0.98, 1.37)		97/133	78/124
Subtotal (I-squared	_		>	1.15 (1.01, 1.31)			
NOTE: Weights are	from randon	n effects analysis					
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^{*} For all analyses, we focused on 6- to 12-month outcomes and included only shorter- or longer-term results when 6- or 12-month outcomes were not available.

Abbreviations: AChEIs = acetylcholinesterase inhibitors; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; IG = intervention group; KQ = key question; RR = risk ratio; mg = milligrams; N = sample size

 $[\]dagger$ Pooled mean difference, 1.33 (95% CI: 1.07 to 1.66); k=9; n=2440; I²=77.4%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

 $[\]ddagger$ Pooled mean difference, 1.21 (95% CI: 1.11 to 1.31); k=8; n=3486; I²=56.2%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

[§] Pooled mean difference, 1.49 (95% CI: 1.13 to 1.98); k=5; n=1934; I²=61.4%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

[∥] Pooled mean difference, 1.15 (95% CI: 0.49 to 2.69); k=2; n=545; I²=0.0%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

Figure 12. Pooled Analysis of Change in Global Function (Standardized Mean Difference) (KQ4), AChEls and Memantine Compared With Placebo, by Medication Type

Study	Total dose/day	Followup, months*	Instrument			Hedge's SMD (95% CI)	% Weight	IG, n	CG, n
Donepezil									
Black, 2003	10 mg	6	CDR-SB	→		-0.22 (-0.42, -0.02)	12.60	195	194
Petersen, 2005	10 mg	36	CDR-SB			-0.02 (-0.23, 0.19)	12.23	161	193
Wilkinson, 2003	10 mg	6	CDR-SB	→		-0.21 (-0.41, -0.01)	12.62	203	188
Burns, 1999	10 mg	6	CIBIC+	→		-0.36 (-0.53, -0.19)	13.77	273	274
Doody, 2009	5-10 mg	11	CIBIC+	+		0.00 (-0.14, 0.14)	14.77	379	378
Feldman, 2001	10 mg	6	CIBIC+	→		-0.49 (-0.73, -0.26)	11.27	140	146
Rogers, 1998	10 mg	3	CIBIC+	→		-0.43 (-0.66, -0.20)	11.53	152	150
Winblad, 2001	10 mg	12	GDS			-0.25 (-0.48, -0.01)	11.22	136	140
Subtotal (I-squared	= 70.7%, p	= 0.001)		\Diamond		-0.24 (-0.37, -0.11) [†]	100.00		
Galantamine									
Rockwood, 2006	16-24 mg	4	CIBIC+ •	─		-0.46 (-0.81, -0.10)	100.00	61	65
Subtotal (I-squared	= .%, p = .)					-0.46 (-0.81, -0.10)	100.00		
Rivastigmine									
Mok, 2007	6 mg	6	CDR-SB		_	0.06 (-0.57, 0.68)	7.72	20	19
Ballard, 2008	3-12 mg	6	CIBIC+	→		-0.08 (-0.23, 0.08)	19.06	329	320
Feldman, 2007	9.6 mg	6	CIBIC+	→		-0.46 (-0.65, -0.27)	18.17	222	216
Rosler, 1999	6-12 mg	6	CIBIC+	→		-0.29 (-0.49, -0.10)	18.05	193	220
Winblad, 2007	12 mg	6	CIBIC+	→ -		-0.23 (-0.40, -0.06)	18.65	253	278
Corey-Bloom, 1998	6-12 mg	6	GDS	-		0.27 (0.09, 0.45)	18.35	231	234
Subtotal (I-squared	_	= 0.000)				-0.14 (-0.36, 0.08)‡	100.00		
Memantine									
Choi, 2011	20 mg	4	CDR-SB	─		0.07 (-0.25, 0.38)	13.73	84	74
Peters, 2015 [¶]	20 mg	12	CDR-SB	—		-0.12 (-0.40, 0.17)	15.82	94	96
Orgogozo, 2002	20 mg	6	CIBIC+	→		-0.20 (-0.46, 0.06)	18.02	114	114
Peskind, 2006	20 mg	6	CIBIC+	→		-0.32 (-0.51, -0.12)	25.50	195	198
Porsteinsson, 2008	20 mg	6	CIBIC+	· 📥		-0.04 (-0.23, 0.15)	26.93	214	
Subtotal (I-squared		_	2,0,0			-0.14 (-0.27, -0.01)§			
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^{*} For all analyses, we focused on 6- to 12-month outcomes and included only shorter- or longer-term results when 6- or 12-month outcomes were not available.

Abbreviations: AChEIs = acetylcholinesterase inhibitors; BL = baseline; CG = control group; CDR-SB = Clinical Dementia Rating Scale Sum of Boxes; CI = confidence interval; CIBIC+ = Clinician's Interview-Based Impression of Change with caregiver's input; GDS = Global Deterioration Scale; IG = intervention group; KQ = key question; SMD = standardized mean difference; E = milligrams; E = milligrams;

[†] Pooled mean difference, -0.24 (95% CI: -0.39 to -0.09); k=8; n=3302; I²=70.7%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

[‡] Pooled mean difference, -0.14 (95% CI: -0.43 to 0.15); k=6; n=2535; I²=85.7%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

 $[\]$ Pooled mean difference, -0.14 (95% CI: -0.33 to 0.05); k=5; n=1396; I^2=32.9%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification which resulted to no statistical significance

Both intervention and control groups received 5-10 mg/day rivastigmine plus memantine or placebo

[¶] Both intervention and control groups received 24 mg/day galantamine plus memantine or placebo

Figure 13. Pooled Analysis of Risk of Serious Adverse Events (KQ5), AChEIs and Memantine Compared With Placebo, by Medication Type

Study	Total dose/day	Followup, months*			RR (95% CI)	% Weight	Events/N, IG	Events/N CG
Donepezil								
Black, 2003	10 mg	6	-	-	1.45 (0.95, 2.20)	17.15	45/206	30/199
Burns, 1999	10 mg	6	-	•	0.96 (0.56, 1.64)	10.54	24/273	25/274
Doody, 2009	5-10 mg	11	-1	-	1.16 (0.78, 1.72)	19.55	48/391	41/387
Feldman, 2001	10 mg	6	_	_	1.07 (0.59, 1.95)	8.30	19/144	18/146
Ikeda, 2015	10 mg	3 ←	─	_	0.31 (0.03, 2.90)	0.61	1/49	3/46
Mohs, 2001	10 mg	12	· ·	_	1.39 (0.79, 2.43)	9.58	26/214	19/217
Mori, 2012	10 mg	3	\rightarrow	•	1.84 (0.36, 9.40)	1.13	4/37	2/34
Rogers, 1998	10 mg	3		<u> </u>	0.83 (0.29, 2.41)	2.64	6/158	7/153
Salloway, 2004	10 mg	6	`	_	0.86 (0.27, 2.75)	2.23	5/133	6/137
Seltzer, 2004	10 mg	6			0.99 (0.25, 3.99)	1.55	5/96	3/57
Wilkinson, 2003	10 mg	6	_4		0.87 (0.55, 1.37)	14.60	31/215	32/193
Winblad, 2001	10 mg	12	1_	•	1.77 (1.08, 2.92)	12.13	35/142	20/144
Subtotal (I-squared =				,	1.18 (0.99, 1.40)	100.00	00/142	20/144
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Galantamine								
Auchus, 2007	16-24 mg	6	→	•	1.09 (0.82, 1.46)	28.59	80/396	72/390
Brodaty, 2005	16-24 mg	6	─		0.98 (0.20, 4.83)	0.92	3/326	3/320
Hager, 2014	24 mg	24	•		1.05 (0.83, 1.32)	43.72	129/1024	123/102
Rockwood, 2001	24-32 mg	3	→	_	1.26 (0.57, 2.76)	3.79	21/261	8/125
Rockwood, 2006	16-24 mg	4		•	0.52 (0.19, 1.43)	2.26	5/64	10/66
Tariot, 2000	24 mg	5	-	-	1.18 (0.75, 1.86)	11.35	35/273	31/286
Wilcock, 2000	24 mg	6	→	-	1.05 (0.64, 1.73)	9.37	28/220	26/215
Subtotal (I-squared =	0.0%, p = 0.8	379)	P		1.06 (0.91, 1.24)†	100.00		
Rivastigmine								
Aaid, 1998	6 ma	3			4.00 (0.87, 18.49)	2.03	8/133	2/133
Ballard, 2008	3-12 mg	6	L	_ *	1.37 (0.93, 2.02)	26.71	55/363	38/344
Feldman, 2007	9.6 mg	6	4	_	1.19 (0.78, 1.81)	23.01	40/227	33/222
McKeith, 2000	12 mg	5		_	1.29 (0.55, 3.05)	6.28	10/59	8/61
Rosler, 1999	6-12 mg	6			1.01 (0.69, 1.48)	27.40	44/242	43/239
Winblad, 2007	12 mg	6			0.80 (0.46, 1.38)	14.57	21/294	27/302
Subtotal (I-squared =	_				1.15 (0.92, 1.43) ‡	100.00	211254	211302
	· 10.470, p = 0	.548)	1	•	1.13 (0.32, 1.43)+	100.00		
Memantine								
Choi, 2011§	20 mg	4	→		0.94 (0.24, 3.65)	0.97	4/88	4/83
Dysken, 2014	20 mg	48	♦		0.87 (0.72, 1.05)	49.33	84/155	95/152
Herrmann, 2013	20 mg	6	+	←	1.68 (0.82, 3.46)	3.42	18/182	11/187
Orgogozo, 2002	20 mg	6			0.90 (0.61, 1.32)	11.94	38/165	40/156
Peskind, 2006	20 mg	6	→	_	1.00 (0.56, 1.81)	5.15	20/201	20/202
Peters, 2015	20 mg	12	→	_	1.02 (0.52, 1.98)	4.01	15/112	15/114
Porsteinsson, 2008	20 mg	6	-4		0.90 (0.55, 1.45)	7.58	27/217	30/216
Saxton, 2012	20 mg	3	—		0.29 (0.10, 0.88)	1.49	4/135	13/129
Wilcock, 2002	20 mg	6	· •		0.76 (0.51, 1.13)	11.20	37/295	47/284
Wilkinson, 2012	20 mg	12		-	0.92 (0.50, 1.68)	4.91	17/133	20/144
Subtotal (I-squared =	_		ď		0.88 (0.77, 1.01)	100.00		
NOTE: Weights are fr	om random e	ffects analysis	1					

^{*} Followup was at the end of trial.

Abbreviations: AChEIs = acetylcholinesterase inhibitors; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; IG = intervention group; Intv = intervention; KQ = key question; RR = risk ratio; mg = milligrams; N = sample size

[†] Pooled mean difference, 1.06 (95% CI: 0.88 to 1.29); k=7; n=4987; I²=0.0%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

[‡] Pooled mean difference, 1.15 (95% CI: 0.87 to 1.52); k=6; n=2619; I²=10.4%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

[§] Both intervention and control groups received 5-10 mg/day rivastigmine plus memantine or placebo

Both intervention and control groups received 24 mg/day galantamine plus memantine or placebo

Figure 14. Pooled Analysis of Risk of Withdrawals Due to Adverse Events (KQ5), AChEIs and Memantine Compared With Placebo, by Medication Type

tudy	Total dose/day	Followup, months*			RR (95% CI)	% Weight	Events/N, IG	Events/N CG
Donepezil								
Black, 2003	10 mg	6		—	1.98 (1.23, 3.17)	14.78	45/206	22/199
Burns, 1999	10 mg	6		—	1.86 (1.20, 2.88)	16.73	50/273	27/274
Doody, 2009	5-10 mg	11		<u> </u>	2.23 (1.50, 3.30)	19.87	72/391	32/387
Feldman, 2001	10 mg	6	_	<u>*</u>	1.35 (0.59, 3.11)	5.34	12/144	9/146
Ikeda, 2015	10 mg	3		<u> </u>	0.38 (0.08, 1.84)	1.54	2/49	5/46
Mohs. 2001	10 mg	12	· ·	—	1.69 (0.85, 3.37)	7.57	20/214	12/217
Mori. 2012	10 mg	3		<u> </u>	0.69 (0.17, 2.86)	1.91	3/37	4/34
Rogers, 1996	5 mg	3		•	1.54 (0.27, 8.71)	1.29	3/39	2/40
Rogers, 1998	10 mg	3		<u> </u>	5.16 (1.54, 17.37)	2.60	16/158	3/153
Salloway, 2004	10 mg	6			2.99 (1.52, 5.88)	7.82	29/133	10/137
Seltzer, 2004	10 mg	6	_		1.78 (0.68, 4.64)	4.10	15/98	5/57
Wilkinson, 2003	_	6			1.85 (1.07, 3.19)	11.51	35/215	17/193
Winblad, 2001	10 mg	12				4.92	10/142	9/144
	10 mg	12		0	1.13 (0.47, 2.69)		10/142	9/144
Subtotal (I-squared = 8.8	3%, p = 0.358)			•	1.88 (1.54, 2.29)	100.00		
Galantamine								
Auchus, 2007	16-24 mg	6		—	1.97 (1.27, 3.06)	13.37	54/396	27/390
Brodaty, 2005	16-24 mg	6	-		1.57 (0.84, 2.94)	9.63	24/326	15/320
Erkinjuntti, 2002	24 mg	6		→	2.41 (1.45, 4.02)	11.84	78/396	16/196
Hager, 2014	24 mg	24		*	1.31 (0.97, 1.79)	16.60	87/1024	66/1021
Raskind,2000	24 mg	6		→	3.08 (1.81, 5.23)	11.40	49/212	16/213
Rockwood, 2001	24-32 mg	3		—	6.32 (2.61, 15.30)	6.22	66/261	5/125
Rockwood, 2006	16-24 mg	4	_	—	2.58 (0.52, 12.81)	2.36	5/64	2/66
Tariot, 2000	24 mg	5	-	+	1.41 (0.81, 2.48)	10.95	27/273	20/286
Wilcock, 2000	24 mg	6		—	1.59 (0.93, 2.73)	11.24	31/220	19/215
Wilkinson, 2001	24 mg	3	_	<u> </u>	1.94 (0.82, 4.62)	6.39	10/56	8/87
Subtotal (I-squared = 51	-			♦	1.98 (1.52, 2.57)	100.00		
Rivastigmine	0				0.00 (4.04.0.40)	8.66	40/400	5/133
Agid, 1998	6 mg	3			3.20 (1.21, 8.48)		16/133	
Ballard, 2008	3-12 mg	6			2.44 (1.47, 4.05)	16.02	49/365	19/345
Corey-Bloom, 1998	6-12 mg	6		, 	3.95 (2.39, 6.52)	16.17	66/231	17/235
Feldman, 2007	9.6 mg	6	_	•	1.17 (0.67, 2.06)	14.93	24/227	20/222
McKeith, 2000	12 mg	5		_	1.03 (0.39, 2.77)	8.55	7/59	7/61
Mok, 2007	6 mg	6	_	—	2.00 (0.58, 6.91)	6.23	6/20	3/20
Rosler, 1999	6-12 mg	6		→	3.39 (2.00, 5.75)	15.65	55/242	16/239
Winblad, 2007	12 mg	6	-		1.63 (0.87, 3.04)	13.79	24/297	15/302
Subtotal (I-squared = 57	.0%, p = 0.023))		\Diamond	2.21 (1.54, 3.17)	100.00		
Memantine								
Bakchine, 2008	20 mg	6		—	2.23 (0.94, 5.27)	8.46	28/318	6/152
Choi, 2011§	20 mg	4		•	1.41 (0.41, 4.84)	4.15	6/88	4/83
Herrmann, 2013	20 mg	6	_	—	1.71 (0.77, 3.81)	9.76	15/182	9/187
Orgogozo, 2002	20 mg	6		_*	0.90 (0.50, 1.62)	18.08	19/165	20/156
Peskind. 2008	20 mg	6	7	_	1.91 (0.91, 4.00)	11.42	19/201	10/202
Porsteinsson, 2008	20 mg	6		_	0.76 (0.38, 1.53)	12.89	13/217	17/216
Saxton, 2012	_	3						4/129
	20 mg	6		_	0.71 (0.16, 3.12)	2.87	3/136	
Wilcock, 2002	20 mg	-	7	X	1.30 (0.75, 2.26)	20.34	27/295	20/284
Wilkinson, 2012	20 mg	12	_	×	1.35 (0.66, 2.78)	12.03	15/133	12/144
Subtotal (I-squared = 0.0				~	1.26 (0.98, 1.62)‡	100.00		
NOTE: Weights are from	random effects	analysis						

^{*} Followup was at the end of trial.

Abbreviations: AChEIs = acetylcholinesterase inhibitors; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; IG = intervention group; Intv = intervention; KQ = key question; RR = risk ratio; mg = milligrams; N = sample size

[†] Pooled mean difference, 2.21 (95% CI: 1.43 to 3.42); k=8; n=3131; I²=57.0% based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

 $[\]ddagger$ Pooled mean difference, 1.26 (95% CI: 0.94 to 1.70); k=9; n=3288; I²=0.0%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

[§] Both intervention and control groups received 5-10 mg/day rivastigmine plus memantine or placebo

Figure 15. Pooled Analysis of Change in Global Cognitive Function (Measured by MMSE) (KQ4), Patient-Level Nonpharmalogic Interventions Compared With Controls, by Intervention Type

Study	Pop. category	CG Intv Type	MMSE BL mean	Followup, months*		BG MD in Change (95% CI)	% Weight	IG Mean Chg (95% CI) from BL	IG n	CG Mean Chg (95% CI) from BL	CG n
Cog training											
Bergamaschi, 2013	Dem .	Sham	21.1	12	→	6.32 (4.51, 8.13)	6.20	2.8 (1.5, 4.0)	16	-3.6 (-4.9, -2.3)	16
Buschert, 2011	Dem	Sham	26.4	6	+◆-	1.40 (-0.85, 3.65)	5.62	0.5 (-1.1, 2.1)	8	-0.9 (-2.5, 0.7)	7
Cavallo, 2016	Dem	Sham	22.9	6	→	0.08 (-0.75, 0.91)	7.30	-0.3 (-0.8, 0.2)	38	-0.4 (-1.1, 0.3)	38
Chapman, 2004	Dem	WL	20.9	12	 	0.89 (-1.54, 3.32)	5.38	-1.3 (-2.8, 0.3)	26	-2.1 (-4.2, -0.1)	28
Cove, 2014	Dem	WL	22.6	3	─	0.64 (-1.55, 2.83)	5.70	-0.1 (-1.9, 1.6)	21	-0.8 (-2.1, 0.5)	23
Jelcic, 2012	Dem	Sham	24.7	3	→	3.00 (1.26, 4.74)	6.30	2.0 (0.9, 3.1)	20	-1.0 (-2.3, 0.3)	20
Kurz, 2012	Dem	UC	25.1	9	 ♦ -	0.74 (-0.32, 1.80)	7.09	-1.5 (-2.3, -0.7)	83	-2.2 (-2.9, -1.5)	88
Orrell, 2014	Dem	UC	17.8	6	 ♦−	0.85 (-0.29, 1.99)	7.00	-1.5 (-3.5, 0.6)	123	-2.3 (-4.4, -0.2)	11:
Orrell, 2017	Dem	UC	21.2	6	→	-0.47 (-1.25, 0.31)		-1.0 (-1.5, -0.5)		-0.7 (-1.3, -0.1)	13
Tsantali, 2017	Dem	WL	22.9	12	→	5.30 (4.37, 6.23)		3.8 (3.1, 4.5)	17	-1.5 (-2.1, -0.9)	21
Buschert, 2011	MCI	Sham	26.4	6		0.90 (-0.27, 2.07)	6.97	-1.3 (-2.2, -0.4)	10	-2.2 (-2.9, -1.5)	12
Greenaway, 2012	MCI	None	26.8	6	-	0.20 (-1.03, 1.43)		-0.2 (-0.8, 0.4)	18	-0.4 (-1.4, 0.6)	17
Jeong, 2016	MCI	WL	25.7	9	-4-	-0.40 (-1.21, 0.41)		-0.1 (-0.7, 0.5)	67	0.3 (-0.3, 0.9)	62
Pantoni, 2017	MCI	UC	26.4	12	-	-0.40 (-1.81, 1.01)		-0.7 (-1.9, 0.5)	21	-0.3 (-1.1, 0.5)	22
Tsolaki, 2011	MCI	WL	27.9	6	` - ← -	1.44 (0.26, 2.62)		0.9 (-0.2, 2.0)	104	-0.5 (-1.0, -0.0)	72
Subtotal (I-square	d = 91.1%, p	= 0.000	0)		⊘	1.33 (0.29, 2.37)		(,,		,,	
Exercise											
Hoffmann, 2016	Dem	UC	23.9	4	•	0.50 (0.05, 0.95)	13 48	0.1 (-0.6, 0.8)	102	-0.2 (-1.0, 0.6)	88
Holthoff, 2015	Dem	BI	22.0	6	<u> </u>	1.39 (-0.20, 2.98)		0.1 (-1.1, 1.2)	13	-1.2 (-2.3, -0.1)	14
Pitkälä, 2013	Dem	UC	18.0	12	→	-0.15 (-1.66, 1.36)	8.80	-1.2 (-2.3, -0.1)	51	-1.1 (-2.2, 0.0)	51
Vreugdenhil, 2012	Dem	WL	22.0	4	─	2.60 (-0.31, 5.51)		1.0 (-1.7, 3.7)	20	-1.6 (-2.6, -0.6)	20
Doi, 2017	MCI	AC	25.9	9	 ← `	0.65 (-0.24, 1.54)		0.3 (-0.4, 1.0)	55	-0.4 (-0.9, 0.2)	63
Lam. 2011	MCI	MI	24.5	5	↓	0.10 (-0.52, 0.72)		0.9 (0.5, 1.3)	135	0.8 (0.4, 1.2)	19
Lazarou, 2017	MCI	None	27.2	10	←	1.63 (0.73, 2.53)		0.4 (-0.2, 1.0)	66	-1.2 (-1.9, -0.5)	63
Siu, 2018	MCI	UC	25.0	4	→	1.27 (0.49, 2.05)		1.4 (0.9, 1.9)	80	0.1 (-0.5, 0.7)	80
Suzuki, 2012	MCI	AC	26.7	12		-0.03 (-1.76, 1.70)		-0.5 (-1.8, 0.8)	25	-0.4 (-1.7, 0.9)	25
Venturelli, 2010	MCI+Dem		NR	3	_ →	5.30 (3.75, 6.85)	8.63	0.7 (-0.3, 1.7)	12	-4.6 (-5.7, -3.5)	11
Subtotal (I-square	d = 81.3%, p	= 0.000	0)		◇ *	1.17 (0.45, 1.90)	100.00	(, ,		(, ,	
Multicomponent/oti	ner										
Burgener, 2008	Dem	WL	24.0	5	→	0.90 (-2.93, 4.73)	2.18	0.4 (-1.1, 1.9)	19	-0.5 (-4.0, 3.0)	14
Marshall, 2015	Dem	WL	23.0	5	→	-0.45 (-2.06, 1.16)		-1.1 (-2.7, 0.5)	28	0.0 (-1.3, 1.3)	24
Richard, 2009	Dem	UC	22.3	12	-	0.10 (-1.65, 1.85)	8.85	-2.6 (-3.8, -1.4)	57	-2.7 (-4.0, -1.4)	48
Bae, 2019	MCI	AC	26.9	6	-♦ -	-0.86 (-1.99, 0.27)		-0.5 (-1.4, 0.3)	41	0.3 (-0.4, 1.1)	42
Shimada, 2017	MCI	MI	26.7	9	· •	0.80 (0.20, 1.40)		0.0 (-0.4, 0.4)	154	-0.8 (-1.2, -0.4)	15
Jha, 2013	MCI+Dem	MI	22.0	6 —	→	-0.76 (-4.65, 3.13)		-0.1 (-2.9, 2.8)	17	0.7 (-1.9, 3.3)	17
Straubmeier, 2017	MCI+Dem	WL	19.6	6	` 	1.10 (0.03, 2.17)		0.1 (-0.6, 0.8)	255	-1.0 (-1.8, -0.2)	17
Wolfs, 2008	MCI+Dem		20.2	12	-	0.00 (-1.45, 1.45)		-2.5 (-3.8, -1.2)		-2.4 (-4.2, -0.6)	77
Subtotal (I-square	d = 30.3%, p	= 0.186	6)		Þ	0.26 (-0.32, 0.84)					
NOTE: Weights are	from rando	m effect	s analysis								
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				-8.13		13					
				Favors Control	Favors I	ntervention					

^{*} For all analyses, we focused on 6- to 12-month outcomes and included only shorter- or longer-term results when 6- or 12-month outcomes were not available.

Abbreviations: AC = attention control; BI = brief intervention; BG = between-group; BL = baseline; CG = control group; CG = change; CI = confidence interval; CG = dementia; CG = intervention; CG = intervention; CG = key question; CG = mild cognitive impairment; CG = mean difference; CG = minimal intervention; CG = minimal state examination; CG = sample size; CG = not reported; CG = population; CG = usual care; CG = with CG = minimal state examination; CG = sample size; CG = minimal state examination; CG = sample size; CG = control group; CG = minimal state examination; CG = sample size; CG = control group; CG = minimal state examination; CG = sample size; CG = control group; CG = minimal state examination; CG = sample size; CG = control group; CG = cont

 $[\]dagger$ Pooled mean difference, 0.26 (95% CI: -0.54 to 1.00); k=8; n=1238; I^2=30.3%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification which resulted to no statistical significance

Figure 16. Pooled Analysis of Change in Global Cognitive Function (Measured by ADAS-Cog-11) (KQ4), Patient-Level Nonpharmalogic Interventions Compared With Controls, by Intervention Type

Study	Pop. category	Intv Type	ADAS-cog11 BL mean	Followup, months*	BG MD in Change (95% CI)	% Weight	IG Mean Chg (95% CI) from BL	IG n	CG Mean Chg (95% CI) from BL	CG n
Cog training										
Buschert, 2011	Dem	Sham	14.1	6	-0.70 (-6.03, 4.63)	2.15	-0.7 (-4.6, 3.2)	8	0.0 (-3.6, 3.6)	7
Chapman, 2004	Dem	WL	NR	12	-0.73 (-3.73, 2.27)	6.79	4.9 (2.7, 7.1)	26	5.6 (3.4, 7.8)	28
Cove, 2014	Dem	WL	18.0	3	-0.66 (-4.88, 3.56)	3.43	1.8 (-1.4, 4.9)	21	2.4 (-0.4, 5.2)	23
Kallio, 2018	Dem	UC	21.4	9	-0.30 (-1.93, 1.33)	23.05	2.0 (0.9, 3.1)	76	2.3 (1.1, 3.5)	71
Orrell, 2014	Dem	UC	32.1	6	-0.65 (-3.71, 2.41)	6.50	4.8 (0.1, 9.6)	123	2.1 (-2.8, 6.9)	113
Orrell, 2017	Dem	UC	20.6	6	-0.55 (-2.00, 0.90)	29.06	0.3 (-0.6, 1.3)	134	1.2 (0.3, 2.2)	139
Buschert, 2011	MCI	Sham	9.3	6 -	-3.30 (-6.72, 0.12)	5.21	-1.4 (-3.3, 0.5)	10	1.9 (-1.0, 4.8)	12
Fiatarone Singh, 2014	MCI	Sham	8.4	6	-0.53 (-2.13, 1.07)	23.81	-1.5 (-2.6, -0.3)	24	-1.0 (-2.1, 0.2)	27
Subtotal (I-squared =	0.0%, p = 0	.925)		\rightarrow	-0.66 (-1.44, 0.12)†	100.00				
Exercise										
Lamb, 2018	Dem	UC	21.5	12 -	-1.40 (-2.60, -0.20)	18.59	3.8 (2.5, 5.1)	278	2.0 (0.4, 3.6)	137
Liu-Ambrose, 2016	Dem	UC	10.9	12	-0.63 (-2.33, 1.07)	15.33	-1.1 (-2.3, -0.0)	35	-0.5 (-1.8, 0.7)	35
Vreugdenhil, 2012	Dem	WL	24.7	4 —	-7.00 (-10.49, -3.51)	7.28	-4.9 (-7.1, -2.7)	20	2.1 (-0.6, 4.8)	20
Lam, 2011	MCI	MI	13.5	5	0.70 (-0.27, 1.67)	20.01	2.0 (1.3, 2.7)	135	1.3 (0.8, 1.8)	194
Lautenschlager, 2008	MCI	AC	NR	12	-0.59 (-1.53, 0.35)	20.23	-0.6 (-1.1, 0.2)	85	0.0 (-0.7, 0.6)	85
Suzuki, 2012	MCI	AC	6.6	6	-1.10 (-2.30, 0.10)	18.56	-1.2 (-2.1, -0.3)	24	-0.1 (-1.0, 0.8)	23
Subtotal (I-squared =	77.4%, p =	0.000)		\Diamond	-1.05 (-2.18, 0.08) [‡]	100.00				
Multicomponent/other										
Fiatarone Singh, 2014		Sham	8.1	6	-0.81 (-2.36, 0.74)	37.77	-1.8 (-2.9, -0.7)	27	-1.0 (-2.1, 0.2)	27
Train the Brain, 2017		None	NR	7	-2.17 (-2.99, -1.35)	62.23	-1.4 (-2.0, -0.8)	55	1.1 (0.7, 1.6)	58
Subtotal (I-squared =	56.5%, p =	0.130)		\Diamond	-1.66 (-2.95, -0.36) [§]	100.00				
NOTE: Weights are fro	m random	effects a	nalysis							
				-10.5 0	I 10.5					

^{*} For all analyses, we focused on 6- to 12-month outcomes and included only shorter- or longer-term results when 6- or 12-month outcomes were not available.

Abbreviations: AC = attention control; ADAS-Cog-11 = Alzheimer's disease assessment scale-cognitive subscale (11-items); BI = brief intervention; BG = between-group; BL = baseline; CG = control group; Chg = change; CI = confidence interval; Dem = dementia; Intv = Intervention; IG = intervention group; KQ = key question; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MD = mean difference; MI = minimal intervention; n = sample size; NR = not reported; Pop = population; UC = usual care; WL = waitlist

 $[\]dagger Pooled \ mean \ difference, -0.66 \ (95\% \ CI: -1.60 \ to \ 0.29); \ k=8; \ n=842; \ I^2=0.0\%, \ based \ on \ restricted \ maximum \ likelihood \ method \ with \ Knapp-Hartung \ modification$

[‡] Pooled mean difference, -1.05 (95% CI: -3.49 to 1.10); k=6; n=1071; I²=77.4%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

 $[\]$ Pooled mean difference, -1.66 (95% CI: -10.03 to 6.72); k=2; n=167; I²=56.5%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

Figure 17. Pooled Analysis of Change in Caregiver Burden (Standardized Mean Difference) (KQ4), Caregiver and Caregiver-Patient Dyad Interventions Compared With Controls, by Intervention Type

Burgin 2003 6			Followup,	Burden	Group	Baseline		Hedge's g	%	IG	C
Galin, 2003	Study	Subgroup	months*	Instrument	Category	MMSE		SMD (95% CI)	Weight	n	n
Gillin, 2003 6 RMBPC (total burden) 10 12 2 10 12 4 10 22 4 13 13 13 13 13 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18	Psychoeducation										
Berwig 2017 9	Gitlin, 2008		4	Zarit-10	WL	11.6	+	-0.00 (-0.52, 0.52)	2.91	27	2
Mann-Carrance, 2014 4	Gitlin, 2003		6	RMBPC (total burden)	UC	12.2	♦	-0.29 (-0.58, -0.01)	5.26	89	1
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Galin, 2010 6	Martin-Carrasco, 2014		4	Zarit-22	UC	12.9		-0.04 (-0.30, 0.21)	5.66	115	1
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^{*} For all analyses, we focused on 6- to 12-month outcomes and included only shorter- or longer-term results when 6- or 12-month outcomes were not available.

Abbreviations: AC = attention control; BI = brief intervention; BIZA-D = Berlin Inventory of Caregivers' Burden with Dementia; BG = between-group; BL = baseline; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; Dem = dementia; FCBI = Family Caregiving Burden Inventory; IG = intervention group; KQ = key question; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MBPC = Memory and Behavior Checklist; Mgmt = management; MI = minimal intervention; MMSE = minimal state examination; n = sample

[†] Pooled mean difference, -0.54 (95% CI: -0.96 to -0.12); k=8; n=1215; I²=82.9%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

[‡] Pooled mean difference, -0.45 (95% CI: -2.26 to 1.36); k=5; n=459; I²=89.6%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

Figure 17. Pooled Analysis of Change in Caregiver Burden (Standardized Mean Difference) (KQ4), Caregiver and Caregiver-Patient Dyad Interventions Compared With Controls, by Intervention Type

size; NPI-10 = Neuropsychiatric Inventory-10 item; NPI-12 = Neuropsychiatric Inventory-12 item; NR = not reported; Psychosocial Adj Illness = Psychosocial Adjustment to Illness scale; RMBPC = Revised Memory and Behavior Checklist; SMD = standardized mean difference; UC = usual care; WL = waitlist; Zarit-10 = Zarit Burden Interview-10 item; Zarit-22 = Zarit Burden Interview-22 item

Figure 18. Pooled Analysis of Change in Caregiver Depression (Standardized Mean Difference) (KQ4), Caregiver and Caregiver-Patient Dyad Interventions Compared With Controls, by Intervention Type

Study	Subgroup	Followup, months*	Depression Instrument	Group Category	Baseline MMSE		Hedge's SMD (95% CI)	% Weight	IG n	n
osychoeducation										
Sitlin, 2008		4	CES-D	WL	11.6	-♦ -	-0.25 (-0.78, 0.27)	2.33	27	2
Gitlin, 2003		6	CES-D	UC	12.2	1	-0.03 (-0.29, 0.22)	3.30	118	11
Berwig, 2017		9	PHQ-4	UC	12.4	-	-0.16 (-0.65, 0.34)	2.43	31	3
Mariott, 2000		12	BDI	None	12.5	<u> </u>	-0.88 (-1.66, -0.07)	1.56	13	14
loling, 2012		12	CES-D	UC	12.6	•	-0.19 (-0.47, 0.10)	3.21	96	9
Burgio, 2003		6	CES-D	BI	13.0	← `l	-0.53 (-0.89, -0.17)	2.93	60	6
Teri, 2005		6	CES-D	UC	13.6	انه	-0.53 (-1.02, -0.04)	2.45	32	3
Gallagher-Thompson, 2003	Hispanic	6	CES-D	MI	13.7	` -	0.64 (0.06, 1.23)	2.14	38	1
Gallagher-Thompson, 2003	White	6	CES-D	MI	13.7	→ *	-0.31 (-0.80, 0.17)	2.48	53	2
Curz, 2010		15	MADRS	UC	13.9	7	-0.11 (-0.37, 0.16)	3.28	115	1
Sallagher-Thompson, 2008	Hispanic	6	CES-D	MI	14.1	4	-0.15 (-0.56, 0.27)	2.72	47	4
Sallagher-Thompson, 2008	White	6	CES-D	MI	14.1	<u> </u>	-0.27 (-0.68, 0.13)	2.77	50	4
Coon, 2003	vviiite	6	MAACL	W	14.2	T	-2.52 (-3.09, -1.94)	2.17	41	4
Martindale-Adams, 2013		12	CESD-10	BI	15.4	1	-0.06 (-0.38, 0.25)	3.10	77	7
Cristancho-Lacroix, 2015		6	BDI-II	WL	18.7	I	0.15 (-0.41, 0.71)	2.22	25	2
Graff, 2008		3	CES-D	WL	19.0	. 🕶		2.92	67	8
Martin-Cook, 2005		4	GDS-15	W	19.0		-1.02 (-1.39, -0.66)	2.18	23	2
					10.1	$\overline{}$	0.05 (-0.53, 0.62)			4
/oigt-Radloff, 2011		12	CES-D	MI	20.4	T	0.07 (-0.32, 0.47)	2.80	52	
Bruvik, 2013		12	GDS	BI	21.2	. T	0.00 (-0.28, 0.28)	3.22	93	1
ludge, 2013		3	CES-D	BI	23.0	** .	-0.23 (-0.59, 0.13)	2.93	59	5
Valdorff, 2012		12	GDS	BI	24.1	.,♥	0.22 (-0.02, 0.46)	3.36	128	1
Brennan, 1995		12	CES-D	BI	NR	₹	-0.23 (-0.63, 0.17)	2.78	47	4
Chang, 1999		3	DS,BSI	MI	NR -	* ,	-0.45 (-0.94, 0.04)	2.45	31	3
De Rotrou, 2011		6	MADRS	WL	NR	•	-0.15 (-0.52, 0.22)	2.90	56	
Gallagher-Thompson, 2010		4	CES-D	AC	NR	.=	-0.13 (-0.60, 0.34)	2.53	36	3
Garand, 2014	AD	12	CES-D	AC	NR —	-	-0.67 (-1.42, 0.07)	1.68	13	- 1
Garand, 2014	MCI	12	CES-D	AC	NR —	-	-1.10 (-1.75, -0.45)	1.95	23	2
ivingston, 2013.		12	HADS-D	UC	NR	♦	-0.20 (-0.49, 0.10)	3.18	138	6
osada, 2010.		3	CES-D	UC	NR	→	-0.33 (-0.70, 0.03)	2.91	68	5
Mittelman, 2004		12	GDS	UC	NR	♦	-0.25 (-0.45, -0.06)	3.50	203	2
Vunez-Naveira, 2016		3	CES-D	None	NR	→	-0.20 (-0.70, 0.30)	2.41	30	3
Ostwald, 1999		5	CES-D	WL	NR	-♦ 	-0.30 (-0.73, 0.12)	2.70	60	3
Steffen, 2016		9	BDI-II	MI	NR	 →	0.75 (0.18, 1.32)	2.19	22	3
Fremont, 2015		6	CES-D	MI	NR	♦	-0.33 (-0.58, -0.08)	3.33	133	1
Villiams, 2010		6	CES-D	WL	NR 🛶	- 1	-0.89 (-1.30, -0.47)	2.74	48	
Nilz, 2016		6	CES-D	BI	NR	+	-0.12 (-0.49, 0.25)	2.89	98	3
Nilz, 2018		12	CES-D	UC	NR	\	0.05 (-0.19, 0.29)	3.37	139	1
Subtotal (I-squared = 76.9%,	p = 0.000)					0	-0.26 (-0.39, -0.13)	100.00		
Care/Case Mgmt										
Callahan, 2006		12	PHQ-9	MI	18.0	4	-0.18 (-0.50, 0.15)	23.28	84	6
Samus, 2014		18	GDS	MI	19.1	1	-0.02 (-0.26, 0.22)	42.77	108	1
Bass, 2003		12	CES-D	UC	NR	⊸ Ĭ	-0.26 (-0.58, 0.06)	23.84	94	ě
Fortinsky, 2009		12	CES-D	UC	NR	<u>X</u>	-0.20 (-0.69, 0.29)	10.11	44	3
Subtotal (I-squared = 0.0%, p	= 0.665)	12	023-0	00	NIX	ď	-0.13 (-0.29, 0.02)†	100.00	**	
Other										
otner Prick, 2015		6	CES-D	ВІ	21.0	L.	0.31 (-0.07, 0.68)	19.13	57	
		-							-	1
Charlesworth, 2008		6	HADS-D	UC	NR	▲ T	0.11 (-0.16, 0.38)	25.28	104	
Connell, 2009		13	CES-D	None	NR	T .	-0.25 (-0.59, 0.10)	20.62	69	6
(ing, 2002		12	BDI	AC	NR	△ ▼	0.16 (-0.27, 0.58)	16.68	45	4
Vinter, 2008		6	CES-D	None	NR	→ 1	-0.34 (-0.73, 0.05)	18.29	53	4
Subtotal (I-squared = 53.7%,						P	-0.00 (-0.23, 0.23)‡	100.00		
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^{*} For all analyses, we focused on 6- to 12-month outcomes and included only shorter- or longer-term results when 6- or 12-month outcomes were not available.

Abbreviations: AC = attention control; AD = Alzheimer's disease; BDI = Beck Depression Inventory; BDI-II = Beck Depression Inventory - Second Edition; BI = brief intervention; BG = between-group; BL = baseline; CES-D = Center for

[†] Pooled mean difference, -0.13 (95% CI: -0.39 to 0.12); k=4; n=668; I²=0.0%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

 $[\]ddagger$ Pooled mean difference, -0.0 (95% CI: -0.34 to 0.34); k=5; n=645; I²=53.7%, based on restricted maximum likelihood method with Knapp-Hartung modification

Figure 18. Pooled Analysis of Change in Caregiver Depression (Standardized Mean Difference) (KQ4), Caregiver and Caregiver-Patient Dyad Interventions Compared With Controls, by Intervention Type

Epidemiologic Studies – Depression; CES-D-10 = 10-item Center for Epidemiologic Studies – Depression; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; Dem = dementia; DS, BSI = Brief Symptom Inventory – Depression subscale; GDS = Geriatric Depression Scale; GDS-15 = Geriatric Depression Scale-15 item; HADS-D = Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale; IG = intervention group; KQ = key question; MAACL = Multiple Affect Adjective Checklist; MADRS = Montgomery Asberg Depression Rating Scale; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; Mgmt = management; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MI = minimal intervention; MMSE = mini-mental state examination; n = sample size; NR = not reported; PHQ-9 = Patient Health Questionnaire-9; SMD = standardized mean difference; UC = usual care; WL = waitlist

Table 1. Recommendations From Other Organizations

Organization	Year	Recommendation Statement
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs ⁹⁶	2016	Recommends against routine screening for cognitive impairment in persons of any age. Veteran's Health Administration Clinicians should use dementia warning signs to prompt assessment of cognitive function. If warning signs are present, patients should be evaluated further.
Canadian Task Force on Preventive Health Care (CTFPHC) ⁹³	2016	Recommends against screening asymptomatic older adults (≥65 years) for cognitive impairment (Strong recommendation, low-quality evidence)
Gerontological Society of America (GSA) ⁹⁸	2015	Recommends that primary care providers routinely ask beneficiaries about any noticeable changes in memory of cognition that have occurred since previous office visits during the Medicare Annual Wellness Visit (AWV). Additionally, primary care providers should use their clinical judgment and observational skills to determine whether any changes in memory or cognition since previous encounters with beneficiaries are noticeable during the Medicare AWV.
International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (IAGG) ⁴⁵⁶	2015	Recommends screening to identify early cognitive impairment among individuals with known risk factors for dementia (e.g., subjective cognitive concerns or family history of dementia)
Alzheimer's Association ^{97,}	2013	 Recommends screening for cognitive impairment among: Individuals with memory concerns or other cognitive complaints. Non-memory triggers include personality change, depression, deterioration of chronic disease without explanation, and falls or balance issues Informant reports of cognitive impairment, with or without patient concurrence Medicare beneficiaries, as part of the Annual Wellness Visit
National Institute for Health Care and Excellence (NICE) ⁴⁵⁷	2011	Recommends against screening for dementia in general population.
Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) ⁹⁵	2012	Found no evidence of benefit from screening for dementia in adults over age 65 without symptoms. Symptoms and signs of dementia should be detected opportunistically and assessed using questions addressed to the person and/or their caregiver.
European Federation of Neurological Societies (EFNS) ⁹⁴	2010	No recommendations for general, asymptomatic populations.

Table 2. Study and Population Characteristics of Included Diagnostic Accuracy Studies (KQ 2)

Author, year Quality	Country; recruitment setting	N Screened	Dem, %	MCI, %	Age, mean (range)	Female, %	Race/ Ethnicity, %	SES	Diagnostic Criteria	Reference Standard
Ayalon, 2011 ¹²⁴ Fair	US; Community- based	647	32	29	79 (≥70)	51	NR	Mean edu, years: 11.8	Dementia: NA MCI: Defined as functional impairment per respondent or informant report that did not meet criteria for dementia on neuropsychological measures that was below expectations and ≥1.5 SD below published norms.	Neuropsychological battery, self-report depression measure, standardized neurologic examination, physiological testing, and genetic testing
Ball, 2001 ¹²⁵ Fair	US; Community- based	170 (53 in analysis)	9	NR	76 (≥65)	100	NR	Mean edu, years: 13.6	Dementia: NINCDS- ADRDA MCI: NA	Short Blessed Test, clinical examination, and neuropsychological test battery
Borson, 2006 ¹²⁶ Fair	US; Community- based	371	42	21	NR (NR)	NR	White: 7 Black: 17 Asian: 48 Hispanic: 7 Other: 6	NR	Dementia: CDR≥1 MCI: CDR=0.5	Neuropsychological test battery, informant interview, medical history and examination
Brodaty, 2002* ¹²⁷ Fair	AUS; Primary care	283	29	NR	80 (56-94)	59		% ≤8 years edu: 44.2 % >8 years edu: 55.8	Dementia: DSM-IV MCI: NA	Neuropsychological testing
Buschke, 1999 ¹²⁸ Fair	US; Community- based, Primary care	483	10	NR	80 (≥65)	64	White: 80.7 Black: 16.2 Other: 2.7	, ,	Dementia: DSM-III-R MCI: NA	Neuropsychological test battery
Callahan, 2002 ¹²⁹ Fair	US; Community- based	344	4	22	74 (65-99)	59		Mean (range) edu, years: 10.4 (0-16)		Physical examination and neurologic examination
Chan, 2016 ^{130†} Fair	SGP; Primary care	309	24	NR	72 (≥60)	54		Mean edu, years: 7.93	Dementia: DSM-IV, CDR MCI: NA	Clinical assessment and neuropsychological test battery

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Author, year Quality		N Screened	Dem, %	MCI, %	Age, mean (range)	Female, %	Race/ Ethnicity, %	SES	Diagnostic Criteria	Reference Standard
Cook, 2009 ^{131‡} Fair	US; Community- based, Other medical	71	0	24	75 (≥65)	56	White: 93	Mean edu, years: 16.1	Dementia: NA MCI: NR	Neuropsychological test battery
Cruz-Orduna, 2012 ^{132‡} Fair	ESP; Primary care	160	9	47	72 (>49)	70	NR	Edu, %: None/Incomplete: 44.4	Dementia: Performance < 10th percentile in memory and at least one other domain, cognitive deterioration considered the cause of impairment in function, and confusion state not present. MCI: Performance < 10th percentile in at least 1 test	Neuropsychological test battery
Cullen, 2005 ¹³³ Fair	IRL; Primary care	1115	4	5	75 (≥65)	68	NR	Mean edu, years: 9.9	Dementia: NR MCI: NR	GMS-AGECAT (diagnostic interview)
Cummings- Vaughn, 2014 ^{134†} Good	US; Other medical	136	21	42	79 (66-95)	2	NR	Completed HS: 41%	Dementia: CDR MCI: CDR	CDR
Del Ser, 2006 ¹³⁵ Fair	ESP; Community- based	416	12	NR	79 (>65)	52	NR	% No Formal edu: 25	Dementia: NR MCI: NA	Neuropsychological test battery
Donnelly, 2008 ¹³⁶ Fair	US; Primary care	100	NR	20	78 (65-89)	1	White: 95 Black: 4 Al/AN: 1	Mean edu, years: 12.9	Dementia: NA MCI: ≥1 SD below the normative mean	Dementia Rating Scale
Ehreke, 2009 ¹³⁸ Fair	DEU; Primary care	3198	0	14	80 (≥75)	65	NR	Level of edu: % Low: 61.8 % Middle: 27.5 % High: 10.7	Dementia: NA MCI: Winblad	SIDAM

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Author, year Quality		N Screened	Dem, %	MCI, %	Age, mean (range)	Female, %	Race/ Ethnicity, %	SES	Diagnostic Criteria	Reference Standard
Ehreke, 2011 ¹³⁷ Fair	DEU; Community- based	428	0	14	83 (≥75)	73		% Low edu: 63.5 % Assisted Living/Residential Care: 11.3 in institutional care	Dementia: NA MCI: International Working Group on MCI (Winblad, 2004) - (a) absence of dementia according to DSM-IV or ICD-10; (b) evidence of cognitive decline: subjective cognitive impairment (measured by self-rating or informant report)	SIDAM
Erkinjuntti, 1987 ¹³⁹ Fair	FIN; Community- based	119	2	NR	73 (65-84)	65		% Grade school or less: 85 % Assisted Living/Residential Care: 4	Dementia: NR MCI: NA	Neuropsychological test battery and medical history
Fillenbaum, 1990 ¹⁴⁰ Fair	US; Community- based	164	16	NR	NR (≥65)	58	White: 49.4 Black: 50.6	NR	Dementia: DSM-III and NINCDS/ADRDA MCI: NA	Semi-structured interview, including a modified physical and neurological examination
Fong, 2011 ¹⁴¹ Fair	US; Community- based	709	12	NR	79 (≥70)	60	White: 91	NR	Dementia: DSM-III MCI: NA	Functional status, health information, neuropsychological examination
Fuchs, 2012 ¹⁴² Fair	DEU; Primary care	423	5	NR	82 (75-89)	68		% Low level of edu: 62.2	Dementia: DSM-IV and NINCDS/ADRDA MCI: NA	Neuropsychological test battery, medical and family history, drug inventory, SES, lifestyle, and GDS
Gagnon, 1990 ¹⁴³ Fair	FRA; Community- based	2730	4	NR	75 (≥65)	59		% No edu/Grade School: 66	Dementia: DSM-III MCI: NA	Psychometric tests

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Author, year Quality		N Screened	Dem, %	MCI, %	Age, mean (range)	Female, %	Race/ Ethnicity, %	SES	Diagnostic Criteria	Reference Standard
Galvin, 2005 ¹⁴⁴ Fair	US; Community- based, Primary care, Other medical	236	24	29	78 (55-102)	53	NR	NR	Dementia: DSM-IV and NINCDS/ADRDA MCI: CDR=0.5	Semistructured interview
Grut, 1993 ¹⁴⁵ Fair	SWE; Community- based	1810	14	NR	NR (≥75)	76	NR	% Elementary edu: 52.9	Dementia: DSM-III-R MCI: NA	Clinical examination, family interview, and laboratory tests
Heun, 1998 ¹⁴⁶ Fair	DEU; Community- based	291	13	NR	77 (60-99)	60	NR	Mean edu, years: 9.5	Dementia: DSM-III-R MCI: NA	CIDI and SIDAM
Holsinger, 2012 ¹⁴⁷ Good	US; Primary care	639	3	39	75 (≥65)	7	White: 73 Black: 26 Hispanic: 1 Other: <1	Mean edu, years: 13.0	Dementia: DSM-IV, NINCDS-ADRDA, NINDS-AIREN MCI: Functional impairment due to cognitive impairment that the participant or informant reported that did not meet criteria for dementia (that was fairly mild), and or performance on neuropsychological measure	Clinical interviews, neuropsychological testing, neurological examination, and review of electronic medical records
Hooijer, 1992 ¹⁴⁸ Fair	NLD; Primary care	358	4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	Dementia: GMS, AGECAT MCI: NA	GMS-AGECAT
Hsu, 2015 ^{149†} Good	TWN; Community- based	276	6	NR	68 (≥60)	51	NR	Mean edu, years: 11.4	Dementia: DSM-IV MCI: NA	Neurological examination, function, laboratory tests, imaging
Jeong, 2004 ¹⁵⁰ Good	KOR; Community- based	235	20	23	74 (NR)	66	NR	Median edu, years: 1	Dementia: DSM-IV, NINCDS-ADRDA MCI: DSM-IV (people with cognitive decline	Clinical exam and neuropsychiatric inventory

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Author, year Quality	Country; recruitment setting	N Screened	Dem, %	MCI, %	Age, mean (range)	Female, %	Race/ Ethnicity, %	SES	Diagnostic Criteria	Reference Standard
									who did not meet DSM-IV criteria for dementia)	
Jorm, 1996 ¹⁵¹ Fair	AUS; POWs/ex- servicemen	144	NR	NR	73 (66-83)	0	NR	NR	Dementia: ICD-9 MCI: NR	Neuropsychological test battery
Juva, 1997 ¹⁵² Fair	FIN; Community- based	656	14	NR	80 (75-85)	73	NR	Low edu: 74.4%	Dementia: DSM III-R MCI: NA	CDR followed by a clinical assessment when indicated
Kahle-Wrobleski, 2007 ¹⁵³ Fair	US; Community- based	435	36	28	95 (90-104)	74	NR	>12 years of formal edu: 73%	Dementia: DSM-IV MCI: NR	Neurological examination
Kaufer, 2008 ¹⁵⁴ Fair	US; Other medical	146	38	52	83 (≥65)	79	White: 90	12 years of edu or less: 55%	Dementia: DSM-IV MCI: DSM-IV	Neuropsychological testing, physical examination, and neurologic examination
Kay, 1985 ¹⁵⁵ Fair	AUS; Electoral roll	274	14	NR	NR (≥70)	64	NR	NR	Dementia: DSM-III MCI: NA	GMS-6
Kirby, 2001 ¹⁵⁶ Fair	IRL; Primary care	648	6	NR	75 (≥65)	NR	NR	Mean edu, years: 10.8	Dementia: GMS MCI: NA	GMS-AGECAT (diagnostic interview)
Kuslansky, 2002 ¹⁵⁷ Fair	US; Community- based, Other medical	240	12	NR	79 (>70)	64	White: 72 Black: 28	Mean edu, years: 12.5	Dementia: DSM-III-R; DSM-IV; NINCDS- ADRDA MCI: NA	Medical and social history, neurological examination, neuropsychological testing
Lam, 2008 ¹⁵⁸ Fair	HKG; Community- based	459	10	35	71 (NR)	54	Asian: 100	Mean edu, years: 4.8	Dementia: NINCDS- ADRDA MCI: NR	CDR
Lee, 2008 ¹⁵⁹ Fair	KOR; Community- based, Hospital	196	22	19	70 (≥65)	65	Asian: 100	<6 years edu: 53.1%	Dementia: NR MCI: NR	Neuropsychological test battery
Lee, 2008 ¹⁶⁰ Fair	KOR; Other medical	465	0	48	71 (≥60)	63	NR	Mean edu, years: 6.1	Dementia: NR MCI: NR	Medical history, physical and neurologic examinations, neuropsychological testing, and dementia- related blood tests

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Author, year Quality		N Screened	Dem, %	MCI, %	Age, mean (range)	Female, %	Race/ Ethnicity, %	SES	Diagnostic Criteria	Reference Standard
Lipton, 2003 ¹⁶¹ Fair	US; Community- based, Primary care	300	9	10	79 (≥65)	66	White: 83 Black: 15 Hispanic: 2		Dementia: DSM-III-R MCI: NR	Clinical assessment and a case conference
Manly, 2011 ¹⁶² Fair	US; Insurance list	377	14	18	81 (≥65)	68	White: 30 Black: 35 Hispanic: 34 Other: 1		Dementia: DSM III-R MCI: NR	Medical history and neurologic and physical examination
Mao, 2018 ⁴⁵⁸ Good	TWN; Community- based	10340	9	NR	76 (NR)	52	NR		Dementia: NIA-AA MCI: NA	Medical history, lifestyle factors, MMSE, AD8, CDR, cognitive and functional status
Markwick, 2012 ¹⁶³ Good	GBR; Community- based	107	8	19	76 (NR)	54	NR	23.4%	Dementia: NINCDS- ADRDA, NINCDS- AIREN, Hachinski, DSM-IV MCI: Petersen criteria	Neuropsychological test battery, informant interview, medical history and examination, imaging, blood tests
McDowell, 1997 ¹⁶⁴ Fair	CAN; Community- based	1600	23	30	80 (65-99)	59	NR		Dementia: DSM-III-R MCI: NR	Medical and family history, 3MS, physician's mental status assessment, and physical and neurological examination
Morales, 1997 ¹⁶⁵ Fair	ESP; Community- based	160	13	NR	73 (61-96)	68	NR		Dementia: DSM-III-R MCI: NA	Neurological and neuropsychological assessment
Ozer, 2016 ^{166†} Fair	GBR; Primary care	152	0	26	78 (≥75)	NR	NR		Dementia: NA MCI: Petersen criteria	Neuropsychological test battery, ADL, adult reading test
Rait, 2000 ¹⁶⁷ Fair	GBR; Primary care	101	11	NR	69 (≥60)	52	Asian: 100	, , ,	Dementia: GMS MCI: NA	GMS-AGECAT
Rait, 2000 ¹⁶⁸ Fair	GBR; Primary care	96	11	NR	69 (60-85)	50	Black: 100		Dementia: GMS MCI: NA	GMS-AGECAT

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Author, year Quality	Country; recruitment setting		Dem, %	MCI, %	Age, mean (range)	Female, %	Race/ Ethnicity, %	SES	Diagnostic Criteria	Reference Standard
Ranson, 2018 ⁴⁵⁹ Good	US; Community- based	824	35	NR	82 (70-110)	58	White: 72.2 Black: 18.0 Hispanic: 9.8	Mean edu, years: 10.1	Dementia: DSM-III-R and DSM-IV MCI: NA	Neuropsychological test battery, clinical examination, depression screen, and informant interview
Resichies, 1997 ¹⁶⁹ Fair	DEU; Community- based	516	20	NR	NR (≥70)	NR	NR	NR	Dementia: NR MCI: NA	GMS-A interview and History and Aetiology Schedule interview
Rideaux, 2012 ¹⁷⁰ Fair	US; Community- based	701	26	32	80 (≥70)	55	White: 72 Black: 18 Hispanic: 10	Mean edu, years: 10.3	Dementia: DSM-IV MCI: NR	Medical examination and neuropsychological test battery
Saxton, 2009 ¹⁷¹ Good	US; Community- based, Primary care	524	0	44	73 (≥60)	65	White: 94	Mean edu, years: 13.5	Dementia: University of Pittsburgh ADRC MCI: University of Pittsburgh ADRC	Neuropsychological test battery, medical history, depression scale, IADL, subjective memory complaints
Solomon, 2000 ¹⁷² Fair	US; Primary care	137	10	NR	77 (61-88)	67	NR	Mean edu, years: 11.8	Dementia: NINCDS- ADRDA MCI: NA	Medical history, history of cognitive complaints, physical examination, and neuropsychological testing
Stein, 2015 ^{173†} Good	DEU; Primary care	2657	3	NR	81 (≥75)	65		% Level of edu: Low=61 Middle=27 High=12	Dementia: DSM-IV MCI: NA	SIDAM
Swearer, 2002 ¹⁷⁴ Fair	US; Community- based, Primary care	46	17	NR	81 (NR)	65	NR	Mean edu, years: 14.4	Dementia: DSM-IV MCI: NA	Neuropsychological testing
Tariq, 2006 ¹⁷⁵ Fair	US; Primary care	702	12	26	75 (NR)	NR	NR	% HS edu or more: 69.4	Dementia: DSM-IV MCI: DSM-IV	Physical examination, laboratory testing, and mental status examination
Tokuhara, 2006 ¹⁷⁶ Fair	US; Primary care	230	7	10	74 (65-96)	66	Asian: 100	Mean edu, years: 12.2	Dementia: Benson and Cummings	Interview data, cognitive testing, and assessment of function

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Quality	Country; recruitment setting	N Screened	Dem, %	MCI, %	Age, mean (range)		Race/ Ethnicity, %	SES	Diagnostic Criteria	Reference Standard
									MCI: CASI<74 and CDR>0	
Vannier-Nitenberg, 2016 ^{177†} Fair	FRA; Primary care	585	1	30	71 (≥65)	47	NR		Dementia: NINCDS- ARDA MCI: NINCDS-ARDA (amnestic MCI)	Neuropsychological test battery
Vercambre, 2010 ¹⁷⁸ Fair	FRA; Community- based	120	8	15	79 (NR)	100	NR	NR	Dementia: NR MCI: NR	Neuropsychological test battery
Waite, 1998 ¹⁷⁹ Fair	AUS; Community- based	630	28	NR	84 (78-99)	55	NR	Mean edu, years: 10	Dementia: DSM-IV criteria A and B MCI: NA	Medical history, neuropsychological test battery, and detailed medical and neurological examination
Wolf-Klein, 1989 ¹⁸⁰ Good	US; Other medical	312	47	NR	77 (58-99)	70	NR	NR	Dementia: NINCDS- ADRDA MCI: NA	History taking and physical examination

^{*} Required memory problems if aged 50-74 years

Abbreviations: 3MS = Modified Mini-Mental State Examination; ADL = activities of daily living; ADRC = Aging and Disability Resource Center; AI/AN = American Indian/Alaskan Native; AUS = Australia; CAN = Canada; CASI = Cognitive Abilities Screening Instrument; CDR = Clinical Dementia Rating; Dem = dementia; DEU = Germany; DSM = Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders; Edu = education; EPICES = Evaluation of Deprivation and Inequalities in Health Examination Centers; ESP = Spain; FIN = Finland; FRA = France; GBR = Great Britain/United Kingdom; GDS = Global Deterioration Scale; GMS-AGECAT = Geriatric Mental State - Automated Geriatric Examination for Computer Assisted Taxonomy; HKG = Hong Kong; IADL = instrumental activities of daily living; ICD-9 = International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems-9th revision; ICD-10 = International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems-10th revision; IRL = Ireland; KOR = Korea; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; N = number of participants; NA = not applicable; NINCDS/ADRDA = National Institute of Neurological and Communicative Diseases and Stroke/Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association; NINDS-AIREN = National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke and Association Internationale pour la Recherché et l'Enseignement en Neurosciences; NLD = Netherlands; NR = not reported; SD = standard deviation; SES = socioeconomic status; SGP = Singapore; SIDAM = Structured Interview for the Diagnosis of Dementias of the Alzheimer type and Multi-infarct dementia and dementias of other etiology; SWE = Sweden; TWN = Taiwan

[†] New study

[‡] Recruited patients with memory concerns

Table 3. Screening Test Characteristics, by Category of Test (KQ 2)

Category	Test name (Target)*	Description	Domains
Very brief (5 minutes	3-Word	3-item recall	Memory
or less)	6-Item Screener	3-item recall plus 3 orientation questions	Memory
	AD8 (informant)	Asks informant about judgment, less interest in hobbies, repeats things,	Memory, Executive
		trouble using tools, forgets month or year, finances, trouble remembering	Functioning, Apraxia,
		appointments or daily things	Agnosia
	Clock Drawing Test, CDT	Clock draw; variety of scoring methods	Executive Functioning,
			Apraxia
	Cognitive Disorders Examination	3-word test, simplified clock test and 5 spatial orientation questions from	Memory, Executive
	test, CoDEx	the MMSE	Functioning, Apraxia
	Dubois five-word test	Recall of 5 word list	Memory
	Functional Activities Questionnaire,	Activities and independent activities of daily living, ability to remember	Memory, Executive
	FAQ (informant)	appointments, ability to keep track of current events, understanding books	Functioning, Apraxia
		Recall, orientation, recent news recall. Patient questionnaire is paired with	
	Cognition, GPCOG (patient and informant)	wordfinding, ADLs	Functioning, Aphasia
	Hopkins Verbal Learning Test, HVLT	Immediate recall of objects	Memory
	Katz Activities of Daily Living, Katz	Activities of daily living	Executive Functioning,
	ADL		Apraxia, Agnosia
	Lawton Instrumental Activities of	Independent activities of daily living	Executive Functioning,
	Daily Living, Lawton IADL		Apraxia, Agnosia
			Memory, Executive
	MF-2 (patient and informant)	, , ,	Functioning
	Mini-Cog	3-item recall plus clock draw	Memory, Executive
			Functioning, Apraxia
		4-item recall, either spontaneous or cued recall	Memory
		4-item recall, either spontaneous or cued recall administered by	Memory
	Telephone, MIS-T	telephone	
	Mental State Questionnaire, MSQ	Memory, orientation, naming, attention	Memory
	Orientation Memory Concentration, OMC	Memory, orientation, concentration	Memory
	Single-item (informant)	Asks about patient memory	Memory
	Short Portable Mental Status Questionnaire, SPMSQ	Orientation, memory, attention	Memory
		Orientation, memory, attention	Memory
	Self-report memory impairment	Yes/No question: Do you feel like your memory is getting worse?	Memory

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Category	Test name (Target)*	Description	Domains
	Sweet 16	Orientation (identification of person, place, time, and situation),	Memory
		registration, digit spans (tests of verbal memory), and recall	
	Trail Making Tests, TMT	Different versions have patients go to different numbers/letters	Executive Functioning
	Visual Association Test, VAT	Visual association and recall	Memory, Apraxia
	Verbal Fluency, VF	Asks participant's name, and asks them to list as many different animals,	Memory, Aphasia,
		first names, or similar objects as possible in 1 min	Executive Function
Brief (6-10 minutes)	7-Minute Screen, 7MS		Memory, Executive Functioning, Aphasia, Apraxia, Agnosia
	Abbreviated Mental Test, AMT	Orientation, memory, name objects, attention tests	Memory, Agnosia
	Free and Cued Recall, FCR	Controlled learning of a card with 4 pictures; each with a semantic cue; the patient counts backwards by threes for 20 seconds (as interference for working memory) and then has 3 recall trials without then with the semantic cues	Memory
	Abbreviated Fuld Object Memory Evaluation, FOME-abbreviated	Participants attempt to identify 10 common items concealed in a bag and are asked to recall the 10 items 3 different times. Each time after identifying the items, participants receive a semantic fluency distractor task for 60, 30, and 30 seconds, respectively	Memory
	Immediate Recall		Memory
	Kendrick Cognitive Tests	Recall of outline pictures of common items and speed of copying 10 rows of 10 digits each. Scoring guidelines permit 2 determinations: distinction between dementia and normal and distinction between dementia, depression, and normal	Memory
	Labyrinth Test - mistakes	Patient is asked to draw a line that successfully navigates through a maze	Apraxia
	Labyrinth Test - seconds	Patient is asked to draw a line that successfully navigates through a maze	
	Memory Alteration Test, M@T		Memory
	MMblind	Excludes items from MMSE requiring vision: naming, reading, comprehension, copying, writing, and instructions to handle a sheet of paper, resulting in a maximum score of 22	Memory, Aphasia
	Mini-Mental State Examination, MMSE	writing	Memory, Aphasia, Apraxia, Agnosia
	Montreal Cognitive Assessment. MoCA	similarities, orientation, attention	Memory, Executive Functioning, Aphasia, Apraxia, Agnosia
	Benton's Orientation Test, OT		Memory
	Short Blessed Test, SBT	Temporal orientation, attention, and short-term memory test	Memory

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Category	Test name (Target)*	Description	Domains
	Saint Louis University Mental Status Examination, SLUMS	Orientation, 5-item recall, math, animals, attention, clock, figures, story	Memory, Executive Functioning, Aphasia, Apraxia, Agnosia
	Storandt Battery	Word fluency and trailmaking	Executive Functioning, Aphasia
	Telephone Instrument for Cognitive Status, TICS	Orientation, repetition, naming, and calculations are some of the items covered	Memory, Executive Functioning
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	Test Your Memory, TYM	Orientation, ability to copy a sentence, semantic knowledge, calculation, verbal fluency, similarities, naming, visuospatial abilities, recall of copied sentence	Memory, Executive Functioning, Aphasia, Apraxia
	Word List Learning - immediate recall	Immediate recall and recognition tasks. Recognition task is composed of 8 targets and 8 distractors	Memory
		Immediate recall and recognition tasks. Recognition task is composed of 8 targets and 8 distractors	Memory
		Tests immediate and delayed memory, and learning ability of non-associated verbal material. Patients are asked to recall as many of ten words as possible, immediately after having read them. After 5-10 minutes, patients are again asked to recall as many of the ten words presented before as possible, without seeing them. Finally, patients are asked to recognize the ten words among a list of 20 words.	Memory
Longer, Self- administered	Computer Assessment of Mild Cognitive Impairment, CAMCI	Orientation, figure identification, picture recall, word recall, attention, "virtual environment" (follow directions while driving)	Memory, Executive Functioning, Apraxia
aummotorou	Cognitive Assessment Screening Test, CAST	Memory, orientation, naming, copy a sentence, copy a figure, addition, fill out a check, clock draw, plus multiple questions about memory	Memory, Executive Functioning, Aphasia, Apraxia, Agnosia
			Memory, Executive Functioning, Aphasia, Agnosia
	Informant Questionnaire on Cognitive Decline in the Elderly, IQCODE (informant)	Asks informant about changes in cognitive function, physical function, patient personality and behavior	Memory, Executive Functioning, Apraxia, Agnosia
	Short Informant Questionnaire on Cognitive Decline in the Elderly, IQCODE-Short (informant)	Same as full IQCODE, except has 16 rather than 26 questions	Memory, Executive Functioning, Apraxia, Agnosia
If not patient		Questions for informant about perceived changes in memory and ability to find their way around	Memory, Executive Functioning, Agnosia

*If not patient

Table 4. Test Performance of Very Brief Screening Instruments, by Instrument and Target Condition (KQ 2)

Test name	Target condition	Author, year		% (n/N) with condition	Total n	Cutoff	Sens (95% CI)	Spec (95% CI)	PPV (95% CI)	NPV (95% CI)	AUC (95% CI)
3-Word	Dementia	Kuslansky, 2002 ¹⁵⁷	All	12 (28/240)	240	0	0.65 (NR)	0.85 (NR)	0.37 (NR)	NR	0.80 (NR)
6-Item Screener	Dementia	Callahan, 2002 ¹²⁹	All	4 (15/344)	344	≥3	0.887 (NR)	0.880 (NR)	0.248 (NR)	0.994 (NR)	0.95 (NR)
	Cognitive Impairment	Callahan, 2002 ¹²⁹	All	26 (91/344)	344	≥2	0.742 (NR)	0.802 (NR)	0.574 (NR)	0.896 (NR)	0.86 (NR)
AD8	Dementia	Chan, 2016* ¹³⁰	60 years or older	24 (113/478)	309	≥4	0.91 (NR)	0.91 (NR)	0.63 (NR)	0.98 (NR)	0.97 (0.95, 0.99)
			75 years or older	24 (113/478)	110	≥4	0.90 (NR)	0.88 (NR)	0.79 (NR)	0.94 (NR)	0.95 (0.91, 0.99)
			79 years or older	24 (113/478)	59	≥4	0.87 (NR)	0.82 (NR)	0.84 (NR)	0.85 (NR)	0.90 (0.81, 0.98)
		Mao, 2018		9 (917/10340)	8805	1.5	0.88 (NR)	0.84 (NR)	NR	NR	0.90 (0.89, 0.92)
			Edu Elem School	NR	NR		0.84 (NR)	0.87 (NR)	NR	NR	0.90 (0.88, 0.92)
			Edu illiterate		NR	1.5	, ,	0.74 (NR)	NR	NR	0.89 (0.88, 0.91)
			Edu Jr HS or higher		NR	1.5	0.82 (NR)	0.92 (NR)	NR	NR	0.91 (0.88, 0.95)
			Men	NR	NR		0.87 (NR)	0.87 (NR)	NR	NR	0.91 (0.89, 0.93)
			Women	NR	NR	1.5	0.88 (NR)	0.82 (NR)	NR	NR	0.90 (0.88, 0.91)
	MCI	Galvin,		29 (68/236)	180	≥2	NR	NR	NR	NR	0.834 (NR)
	Cognitive Impairment	2005 ¹⁴⁴	All	53 (124/236)	236	≥2	0.85 (NR)	0.86 (NR)	0.76 (NR)	0.84 (NR)	0.904 (NR)
CDT	Dementia	Ball, 2001 ¹²⁵	All	9 (10/170) (estimated)	53	NR	0.67 (NR)	0.69 (NR)	0.39 (NR)	0.91 (NR)	NR
		Del Ser, 2006 ¹³⁵	All	12 (48/416)	416	NR (Freedman)	0.979 (NR)	0.807 (NR)	0.398 (NR)	0.996 (NR)	0.927 (NR)
		Fuchs, 2012 ¹⁴²	All	5 (21/423)	423	≤7 (Sunderland)		0.837 (0.801 0.873)	0.207 (0.120, 0.295)	0.994 (0.986, 1.00)	0.856 (0.733, 0.978)
		Kirby, 2001 ¹⁵⁶	All	6 (41/648)	648	≤5 (Sunderland)	NR)	NR	NR	NR	NR (NR)
		Wolf-Klein, 1989 ¹⁸⁰	All	47 (147/312)	312		NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
	MCI	Donnelly, 2008 ¹³⁶	All	20 (20/100)	100	1 SD (Freedman)	0.85 (0.62, 0.97)	0.44 (0.33, 0.55)	0.27 (0.17, 0.40)	0.92 (0.79, 0.98)	0.73 (NR)

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Test name	Target condition	Author, year	Screened group	% (n/N) with condition	Total n	Cutoff	Sens (95% CI)	Spec (95% CI)	PPV (95% CI)	NPV (95% CI)	AUC (95% CI)
		Ehreke, 2009 ¹³⁸	All-MCI modified	14 (58/428)	3198	≤9 (Sunderland	0.594 (NR)	0.597 (NR)	NR	NR	0.616 (NR)
			All-MCI original	14 (58/428)	3198	≤9 (Sunderland	0.582 (NR)	0.573 (NR)	NR	NR	0.595 (NR)
		Ehreke, 2009 ¹³⁸	All	14 (58/428)	428	≤9 (Sunderland	0.69 (NR)	0.63 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
			All	14 (58/428)	428	≥2 (Shulman)	0.76 (NR)	0.58 (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR
		Lee, 2008 ¹⁶⁰	All	48 (224/465)	465	1/2 (CERAD)	0.430 (NR)	0.853 (NR)	0.245 (NR)	0.784 (NR)	0.656 (0.606, 0.706)
			All	48 (224/465)	465	9/10 (Freedman)	0.407 (NR)	0.830 (NR)	0.210 (NR)	0.748 (NR)	0.653 (0.604, 0.701)
			All	48 (224/465)	465	6/6.5 (Todd)	0.444 (NR)	0.813 (NR)	0.209 (NR)	0.716 (NR)	0.661 (0.613, 0.710)
			All	48 (224/465)	465	7/8 (Rouleau)	0.564 (NR)	0.718 (NR)	0.182 (NR)	0.559 (NR)	0.669 (0.621, 0.717)
CoDEx	Cognitive Impairment	Vannier- Nitenberg,	All	31 (182/585)	491	NA	0.320 (NR)	0.848 (NR)	0.480 (NR)	0.739 (NR)	NR (NR)
Dubois five- word test	Cognitive Impairment	2016* ¹⁷⁷	All	31 (182/585)	554	≤9	0.283 (NR)	0.892 (NR)	0.544 (NR)	0.733 (NR)	NR (NR)
FAQ	Dementia	Cruz-Orduna, 2011 ¹³²		9 (15/160)	160	≥9	0.8667 (NR)	0.8207 (NR)	0.3333 (NR)	0.9835 (NR)	0.91 (0.84, 0.96)
	Dementia	Juva, 1997 ¹⁵²	All	14 (93/656)	370	≥8	0.94 (NR)	0.84 (NR)	0.50 (NR)	NR (NR)	0.96 (0.92, 0.98)
	Cognitive Impairment	Cruz-Orduna, 2011 ¹³²	All	56 (90/160)	160	≥2	0.7333 (NR)	0.7286 (NR)	0.7765 (NR)	0.68000 (NR)	0.77 (0.69, 0.84)
GPCOG	Dementia	Brodaty, 2002 ¹²⁷	All	29 (82/283)	202	≤10	0.82 (NR)	0.83 (NR)	0.67 (NR)	0.92 (NR)	0.91 (0.86, 0.95)
HVLT	MCI	Donnelly, 2008 ¹³⁶	All	20 (20/100)	100	1 SD	0.55 (0.32, 0.77)	0.43 (0.32, 0.54)	0.19 (0.10, 0.32)	0.79 (0.64, 0.90)	0.55 (NR)
Informant	Dementia	Ayalon,	All	32 (206/647)	647	>2	NR [′]	NR ´	NR	NR [′]	NR
memory	MCI	2011 ¹²⁴	All	29 (185/647)	441	>2	0.811 (NR)	0.753 (NR)	0.246 (NR)	0.188 (NR)	0.85 (NR)
report	Cognitive Impairment		All	60 (391/647)	647	>2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

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Test name	Target	Author, year	Screened	% (n/N) with	Total n	Cutoff	Sens	Spec	PPV	NPV	AUC
	condition			condition			(95% CI)	(95% CI)	(95% CI)	(95% CI)	(95% CI)
Katz ADL	Dementia	Juva, 1997 ¹⁵²	All	14 (93/656)	437	≥2	0.81 (NR)	0.83 (NR)	0.42 (NR)	NR (NR)	0.90 (0.80, 0.94)
Lawton IADL	Dementia	Juva, 1997 ¹⁵²	All	14 (93/656)	424	≤4	0.91 (NR)	0.86 (NR)	0.49 (NR)	NR (NR)	0.95 (0.91, 0.98)
		Mao, 2018 ⁴⁵⁸	All	9 (917/10340)	8805	6.5	0.89 (NR)	0.81 (NR)	NR	NR	0.925 (0.915, 0.935)
			Edu Elem School	NR	NR	6.5	0.87 (NR)	0.82 (NR)	NR	NR	0.916 (0.898, 0.934)
			Edu illiterate	NR	NR	6.5	0.89 (NR)	0.75 (NR)	NR	NR	0.913 (0.898, 0.929)
			Edu Jr HS or higher	NR	NR	6.5	0.94 (NR)	0.88 (NR)	NR	NR	0.947 (0.917, 0.978)
			Men	NR	NR	6.5	0.93 (NR)	0.78 (NR)	NR	NR	0.926 (0.910, 0.942)
			Women	NR	NR	6.5	0.86 (NR)	0.84 (NR)	NR	NR	0.928 (0.915, 0.940)
M@T - Cued recall	MCI	Ozer, 2016*166	All	26 (40/152)	152	<9	0.80 (NR)	0.78 (NR)	0.29 (NR)	0.97 (NR)	0.86 (0.78, 0.93)
M@T - Encoding	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<9	0.58 (NR)	0.88 (NR)	0.35 (NR)	0.95 (NR)	0.79 (0.70, 0.87)
M@T - Free recall	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<6	0.90 (NR)	0.77 (NR)	0.30 (NR)	0.99 (NR)	0.88 (0.82, 0.94)
M@T - Orientation	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<5	0.38 (NR)	0.83 (NR)	0.20 (NR)	0.92 (NR)	0.61 (0.50, 0.71)
M@T - Semantic	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<14	0.85 (NR)	0.54 (NR)	0.17 (NR)	0.97 (NR)	0.74 (0.65, 0.83)
MF-2	Dementia	Holsinger, 2012 ¹⁴⁷	All	3 (21/630)	630	Both yes	0.38 (0.20, 0.60)	0.87 (0.84, 0.89)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
	Cognitive Impairment		All	42 (268/630)	630	Both yes	0.24 (0.19, 0.29)	0.93 (0.90, 0.95)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
Mini-Cog	Dementia	Borson, 2006 ¹²⁶	All	42 (154/371)	371	≤2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

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Test name	Target	Author, year	Screened	% (n/N) with	Total n	Cutoff	Sens	Spec	PPV	NPV	AUC
	condition		group	condition			(95% CI)	(95% CI)	(95% CI)	(95% CI)	(95% CI)
		Fuchs, 2012 ¹⁴²	All	5 (21/423)	423	≤1	1.00 (0.824, 1.00)	0.852 (0.841, 0.884)	0.234 (0.153, 0.340)	1.00 (0.989, 1.00)	0.956 (0.931, 0.982)
		Holsinger, 2012 ¹⁴⁷	All	3 (21/630)	630	≤2	0.76 (0.54, 0.90)	0.73 (0.69, 0.76)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
		Kaufer, 2008 ¹⁵⁴	All	38 (55/146)	146	0	0.87 (0.76, 0.95)	0.54 (0.43, 0.64)	0.53 (NR)	0.88 (NR)	0.706 (NR)
	MCI		All	52 (76/146)	91	0	0.50 (0.38, 0.62)	0.73 (0.45, 0.92)	0.90 (NR)	0.22 (NR)	0.617 (NR)
	Cognitive Impairment	Borson, 2006 ¹²⁶	All	62 (231/371)	371	≤2	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
		Holsinger, 2012 ¹⁴⁷	All	42 (268/630)	630	≤2	0.39 (0.34, 0.45)	0.78 (0.73, 0.82)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
		Kaufer, 2008 ¹⁵⁴	All	90 (131/146)	146	0	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
MIS	Dementia	Buschke, 1999	All	10 (50/483)	483	4	0.80 (NR)	0.96 (NR)	0.69 (NR)	0.98 (NR)	0.94 (NR)
		Holsinger, 2012 ¹⁴⁷	All	3 (21/630)	630	≤4	0.43 (0.24, 0.64)	0.93 (0.90, 0.95)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
		Kuslansky, 2002 ¹⁵⁷	All	12 (28/240)	240	≤4	0.86 (NR)	0.97 (NR)	0.80 (NR)	NR	0.93 (NR)
		Ranson, 2018 ⁴⁵⁹	All	35 (291/824)	824	≤4	0.82 (0.77, 0.86)	0.85 (0.82, 0.88)	0.48 (0.42, 0.53)	0.97 (0.96, 0.97)	NR
	Cognitive Impairment	Holsinger, 2012 ¹⁴⁷	All	42 (268/630)	630	≤4	0.17 (0.13, 0.22)	0.98 (0.96, 0.99)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
MIS-T	Dementia	Lipton, 2003 ¹⁶¹	All- extrapolated	9 (27/300)	300	4	0.78 (NR)	0.93 (NR)	0.52 (NR)	NR (NR)	0.92 (NR)
MSQ	Dementia	Fillenbaum, 1990 ¹⁴⁰	All	16 (26/159)	159	≤7	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
		Hooijer, 1992 ¹⁴⁸	All	3.6 (13/358)	358	≤7	0.923 (NR)	0.983 (NR)	0.667 (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
ОМС	Dementia	Fillenbaum, 1990 ¹⁴⁰	All	16 (26/159)	159	≥11	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR
Self-report	Dementia	Fuchs, 2012 ¹⁴²	All	5 (21/423)	423	NA	0.895 (0.757, 1.00)	0.458 (0.409, 0.506)	0.073 (0.039, 0.506)	0.989 (0.974, 1.00)	NR
SPMSQ	Dementia	Del Ser, 2006 ¹³⁵	All	12 (48/416)	416	NR	0.958 (NR)		0.522 (NR)	0.993 (NR)	0.978 (NR)
	Dementia	Erkinjuntti, 1987 ¹³⁹	All	2 (3/119)	119	≤7	1.00 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	NR

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Test name	Target condition	Author, year	Screened	% (n/N) with condition	Total n	Cutoff	Sens (95% CI)	Spec (95% CI)	PPV (95% CI)	NPV (95% CI)	AUC (95% CI)
		Cillaga bayyas	group		159	NR	• •		· · · · · ·		NR
	Dementia	Fillenbaum, 1990 ¹⁴⁰	All	16 (26/159)			NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	
	Dementia	Hooijer, 1992 ¹⁴⁸	All	3.6 (13/358)	358	≤7	1.0 (NR)	0.968 (NR)	0.542 (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)
STMS	MCI	Cummings- Vaughn,	All	42 (57/136)	108	≤32	0.68 (NR)	0.76 (NR)	0.76 (NR)	0.68 (NR)	0.77 (0.68, 0.86)
	Cognitive Impairment	2014* ¹³⁴	All	62 (85/136)	136	≤32	0.78 (NR)	0.76 (NR)	0.85 (NR)	0.67 (NR)	0.84 (0.77, 0.90)
Sweet 16	Dementia	Fong, 2011 ¹⁴¹	All	1 (86/709)	729	<14	0.99 (0.97, 1.00)	0.72 (0.68, 0.77)	0.33 (0.28, 0.39)	1.00 (0.99, 1.00)	0.97 (NR)
ТМТ	Dementia	Heun, 1998 ¹⁴⁶	All	13 (37/287)	287	≤40	0.81 (NR)	0.71 (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	0.836 (0.756, 0.916)
TMT A	MCI	Donnelly, 2008 ¹³⁶	All	20 (20/100)	100	1 SD	0.30 (0.12, 0.54)	0.90 (0.81, 0.96)	0.43 (0.18, 0.71)	0.84 (0.74, 0.91)	0.72 (NR)
TMT B	MCI		All	20 (20/100)	100	1 SD	0.43 (0.18, 0.71)	0.86 (0.76, 0.93)	0.35 (0.14, 0.62)	0.89 (0.80, 0.95)	0.66 (NR)
TYM - Calculation	MCI	Ozer, 2016*166	All	26 (40/152)	152	<4	0.40 (NR)	0.73 (NR)	0.14 (NR)	0.92 (NR)	0.58 (0.47, 0.69)
TYM - Copying	MCI	Ozer, 2016*166	All	26 (40/152)	152	<1	0.05 (NR)	0.99 (NR)	0.85 (NR)	0.95 (NR)	0.52 (0.49, 0.67)
TYM - Fluency	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<4	0.73 (NR)	0.66 (NR)	0.19 (NR)	0.96 (NR)	0.72 (0.63, 0.82)
TYM - Free recall	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<3	0.50 (NR)	0.93 (NR)	0.44 (NR)	0.94 (NR)	0.72 (0.62, 0.82)
TYM - Help	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<4	0.13 (NR)	0.93 (NR)	0.17 (NR)	0.91 (NR)	0.53 (0.43, 0.64)
TYM - Naming	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<5	0.13 (NR)	0.96 (NR)	0.27 (NR)	0.91 (NR)	0.54 (0.43, 0.65)
TYM - Orientation	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<10	0.30 (NR)	0.83 (NR)	0.16 (NR)	0.91 (NR)	0.57 (0.46, 0.67)
TYM - Semantic	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<2	0.40 (NR)	0.91 (NR)	0.33 (NR)	0.93 (NR)	0.67 (0.56, 0.77)
TYM - Similarities	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<4	0.53 (NR)	0.68 (NR)	0.16 (NR)	0.93 (NR)	0.61 (0.51, 0.72)
TYM - Visuospatial 1	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<1	0.13 (NR)	0.94 (NR)	0.19 (NR)	0.91 (NR)	0.50 (0.40, 0.61)

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TYM - Visuospatial 2	MCI		All	26 (40/152)	152	<4	0.15 (NR)	0.90 (NR)	0.14 (NR)	0.91 (NR)	0.53 (0.42, 0.63)
VAT	Dementia	Fuchs, 2012 ¹⁴²	All	5 (21/423)	423	7/8	0.952 (0.861, 1.00)	0.960 (0.941 0.979)	,0.556 (0.393, 0.718)	0.997 (0.992, 1.00)	0.981 (0.963, 0.999)
VFT	Dementia	Del Ser, 2006 ¹³⁵	All	12 (48/416)	416	NR	0.979 (NR)	0.839 (NR)	0.443 (NR)	0.996 (NR)	0.975 (NR)
VFT	Dementia	Fuchs, 2012 ¹⁴²	All	5 (21/423)	423	≤12	0.895 (0.757 1.00)	0.883 (0.851 0.914)	,0.266 (0.157, 0.374)	0.994 (0.987, 1.00)	0.918 (0.833, 1.002)
VFT	Dementia	Lipton, 2003 ¹⁶¹	All- extrapolated	9 (27/300)	300	19	0.68 (NR)	0.88 (NR)	0.36 (NR)	NR (NR)	0.89 (NR)
VFT	Cognitive Impairment	Vannier- Nitenberg, 2016* ¹⁷⁷	All	31 (182/585)	553	NA	0.247 (NR)	0.885 (NR)	0.506 (NR)	0.712 (NR)	NR (NR)
VFT - animals	Dementia	Ranson, 2018 ⁴⁵⁹	All	35 (291/824)	824	≤8	0.78 (0.73, 0.83)	0.90 (0.87, 0.92)	0.55 (0.48, 0.61)	0.96 (0.95, 0.91)	0.92 (NR)
VFT - animals and names	Dementia	Heun, 1998 ¹⁴⁶	All	13 (37/287)	287	≤30	0.84 (NR)	0.81 (NR)	NR	NR	0.902 (0.806, 0.998)
VFT - animals category	Dementia	Heun, 1998 ¹⁴⁶	All	13 (37/287)	287	≤14	0.81 (NR)	0.83 (NR)	NR (NR)	NR (NR)	0.886 (0.828, 0.942)
VFT - repeated animal names	Dementia	Heun, 1998 ¹⁴⁶	All	13 (37/287)	287	≤1	0.31 (NR)	0.76 (NR)	NR	NR	0.533 (0.423, 0.643)
VFT - repeated first names * New study	Dementia	Heun, 1998 ¹⁴⁶	All	13 (37/287)	287	≤1	0.32 (NR)	0.70 (NR)	NR	NR	0.512 (0.402, 0.622)

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: 3-Word = 3-Word Memory Test; AD8 = 8-item informant interview; ADL = activities of daily living; AUC = area under the curve; CDT = Clock Drawing Test; CERAD = Consortium to Establish a Registry for Alzheimer's Disease; CI = confidence interval; CoDEx = Cognitive Disorders Examination test; FAQ = Functional Activities Questionnaire; GPCOG = General Practitioner Assessment of Cognition; HVLT = Hopkins Verbal Learning Test; IADL = instrumental activities of daily living; KQ = key question; M@T = Memory Alteration Test; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MF-2 = 2-item functional memory screen; MIS/MIS-T = Memory Impairment Screen/Memory Impairment Screen by Telephone; MSQ/SPMSQ = Mental Health Status Questionnaire/Short Portable Mental Status Questionnaire; N = number of participants; NA = not applicable; NPV = negative predictive value; NR = not reported; OMC = Orientation Memory Concentration; PPV = positive predictive value;

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SD = standard deviation; STMS = Short Test of Mental Status; TMT = Trail Making Test; TYM = Test Your Memory; Sens = sensitivity; Spec = specificity; VAT = Visual Association Test; VFT = Verbal Fluency Test

Table 5. Test Performance of Brief Screening Instruments, by Instrument and Target Condition (KQ 2)

Test name	Target	Author, year	Screened	Percent (n/n)		Cutoff	Sens (95%	Spec	PPV (95%	NPV (95%	AUC (95%
	condition		Group	with condition	n		CI)	(95% CI)	CI)	CI)	CI)
7MS	Dementia	Del Ser, 2006 ¹³⁵	All	12 (48/416)	416	NR	1.00 (NR)	, ,	0.786 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	0.996 (NR)
		Solomon, 2000 ¹⁷²	All	10 (13/137)	137	≥0.7	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
AMT	Dementia	Brodaty, 2002 ¹²⁷	All	29 (82/283)	269	≤7	0.42 (NR)	0.93 (NR)	0.71 (NR)	0.80 (NR)	0.78 (0.71, 0.84)
		Hooijer, 1992 ¹⁴⁸	All	3.6 (13/358)	358	≤7	0.923 (NR)	0.954 (NR)	0.429 (NR)	NR	NR
		Rait, 2000 ¹⁶⁸	All	6 (6/96)	96	≤7	1.0 (0.54, 1.0)	0.83 (0.76, 0.91)	NR	NR	NR
		Rait, 2000 ¹⁶⁷	Gujarati	11 (13/120)	62	≤5	1.0 (0.16, 1.0)	0.95 (0.858, 0.99)	NR	NR	NR
			Pakistani	NR	39	≤6	1.0 (0.664, 1.0)	0.867 (0.684, 0.956)	NR	NR	NR
FCR	Dementia	Del Ser, 2006 ¹³⁵	All	12 (48/416)	416	NR	1.00 (NR)	0.872 (NR)	0.505 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	0.994 (NR)
FOME- abbreviated	Cognitive Impairment	Rideaux, 2012 ¹⁷⁰	Black	57 (401/701)	87	≤21	0.65 (0.55, 0.75)	0.74 (0.64, 0.83)	0.76 (0.67, 0.85)	0.62 (0.52, 0.72)	NR
			Latino	57 (401/701)	55	≤24	0.93 (NR)	0.57 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
			White	57 (401/701)	380	≤20	0.55 (0.50, 0.60)	0.93 (0.91, 0.96)	0.83 (0.80, 0.87)	0.80 (0.75, 0.84)	NR
Immediate Recall	Dementia	Fuchs, 2012 ¹⁴²	All	5 (21/423)	423	≤14	1.00 (1.00, 1.00)	0.828 (0.790, 0.865)		1.00 (1.00, 1.00)	0.957 (0.927, 0.987)
Kendrick Cognitive Tests	Dementia	Fillenbaum, 1990	All	16 (26/159)	159	NA	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Labyrinth Test - mistakes	Dementia	Heun, 1998 ¹⁴⁶	All	13 (37/287)	287	≤3	0.88 (NR)	0.60 (NR)	NR	NR	0.802 (0.716, 0.888)
Labyrinth Test - seconds	Dementia	Heun, 1998 ¹⁴⁶	All	13 (37/287)	287	≤80	0.56 (NR)	0.84 (NR)	NR	NR	0.725 (0.592, 0.858)
М@Т	MCI	Ozer, 2016*166	All	26 (40/152)	152	<40	0.85 (NR)	0.84 (NR)	0.37 (NR)	0.98 (NR)	0.91 (0.85, 0.96)
MMblind	Dementia	Resichies, 1997 ¹⁶⁹	70-84 years	, ,	248	18/19	0.812 (NR)	0.894 (NR)		NR	NR
			85-95+ years	20 (100/491)	243	16/17	0.734 (NR)	0.781 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
			All	20 (100/491)	491	17/18	0.849 (NR)	0.821 (NR)	NR	NR	NR

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	condition			with condition			CI)	(95% CI)	CI)	CI)	CI)
MMSE	Dementia	Brodaty, 2002 ¹²⁷	All	29 (82/283)	283	≤24	0.81 (NR)	0.76 (NR)	0.57 (NR)	0.90 (NR)	0.85 (0.80,
											0.90)
		Callahan,			344	≤24			0.248 (NR)		
		2002 ¹²⁹			344	≤23	0.952 (NR)		0.242 (NR)		
		Chan, 2016* ¹³⁰	older	,	309	≤20	0.75 (NR)	0.94 (NR)	0.66 (NR)	0.96 (NR)	0.92 (0.88, 0.97)
			75 years or older	24 (113/478)	110	≤17	0.71 (NR)	0.92 (NR)	0.82 (NR)	0.86 (NR)	0.87 (0.79, 0.94)
			79 years or older	24 (113/478)	59	≤19	0.81 (NR)	0.86 (NR)	0.86 (NR)	0.80 (NR)	0.84 (0.74, 0.95)
		Cruz-Orduna, 2011 ¹³²	All	9 (15/160)	160	≤18	0.8000 (NR)	0.8621 (NR)	0.5750 (NR)	0.9766 (NR)	0.89 (0.82, 0.95)
		Cullen, 2005 ¹³³	All	4 (44/1115)	1115	≤23	0.909 (NR)	0.871 (NR)		NR	NR
		Fillenbaum, 1990 ¹⁴⁰	All	16 (26/159)	159	≤23	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
		Fong, 2011 ¹⁴¹	All	1 (86/709)	709	≤23	0.87 (0.78, 0.95)	0.89 (0.86, 0.92)	, 0.52 (0.44, 0.60)	0.98 (0.99) 0.99)	, 0.95 (NR)
		Gagnon, 1990 ¹⁴³	All	4 (10/2730)	2730	24	1.00 (NR)	0.78 (NR)	0.15 (NR)	NR	NR
		Grut, 1993 ¹⁴⁵	All	14 (255/810)	1810	≤23	0.87 (NR)	0.92 (NR)	0.68 (NR)	NR	NR
		Heun, 1998 ¹⁴⁶	All	13 (37/287)	287	≤23	0.84 (NR)	0.99 (NR)	NR	NR	0.988 (0.880, 1.0)
			All	13 (37/287)	287	≤24	0.92 (NR)	0.96 (NR)	NR	NR	0.988 (0.880, 1.0)
	Dementia	Hooijer, 1992 ¹⁴⁸	All	3.6 (13/358)	358	≤23	0.769 (NR)	0.965 (NR)	0.455 (NR)	NR	NR
		Chan, 2016*130	13 years edu or more	6 (16/276)	97	27.5	0.63 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
			6 years edu or less	6 (16/276)	61	24.5	0.79 (NR)	0.75 (NR)	NR	NR	0.7965 (0.60, 0.99)
			60-69 years	6 (16/276)	171	25.5	0.85 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	NR	NR	0.8925 (0.83, 0.96)
				6 (16/276)	91	24.5	0.87 (NR)	0.38 (NR)	NR	NR	0.6456 (0.44, 0.85)
			7-12 years edu	6 (16/276)	118	28.5	0.41 (NR)	0.88 (NR)	NR	NR	0.6290 (0.45, 0.81)
			80 years or more	6 (16/276)	14	28.5	0.27 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	NR	NR	0.5758 (0.19, 0.96)
				6 (16/276)	276	28.5	0.38 (NR)	0.92 (NR)	NR	NR	0.6976 (0.56, 0.83)

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	condition		Group	with condition	n		CI)	(95% CI)			CI)
			Men	6 (16/276)	136	28.5	0.35 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	NR	NR	0.6717
											(0.51, 0.84)
			Women	6 (16/276)	140	25.5	0.77 (NR)	0.67 (NR)	NR	NR	0.7317
											(0.50, 0.96)
ı		J.	All	20 (46/235)	235	≤18	0.91 (0.79, 0.98)	0.76 (0.69, 0.82)	NR	NR	0.89 (NR)
		Jorm, 1996 ¹⁵¹	All	NR	NR	≤26	0.67 (NR)	0.85 (NR)	NR	NR	0.81 (NR)
l		Kahle-Wrobleski, 2007 ¹⁵³	Age 90 to 93 college grad	36 (155/435)	63	25	0.82 (NR)	0.80 (NR)	NR	NR	0.90 (NR)
			Age 90 to 93 some college	36 (155/435)	57	22	0.92 (NR)	0.96 (NR)	NR	NR	0.98 (NR)
			Age 90-93 HS edu or less	36 (155/435)	49	23	0.87 (NR)	0.94 (NR)	NR	NR	0.92 (NR)
			Age 94 to 96 college grad	36 (155/435)	74	24	0.85 (NR)	0.80 (NR)	NR	NR	0.92 (NR)
l	Dementia	Kahle-Wrobleski, 2007 ¹⁵³	Age 94 to 96 some college	36 (155/435)	43	25	0.88 (NR)	0.85 (NR)	NR	NR	0.94 (NR)
			Age 94-96 HS edu or less	36 (155/435)	35	23	0.90 (NR)	0.93 (NR)	NR	NR	0.94 (NR)
				36 (155/435)	49	23	0.89 (NR)	0.90 (NR)	NR	NR	0.95 (NR)
				36 (155/435)	32	22	0.80 (NR)	0.76 (NR)	NR	NR	0.93 (NR)
			Age 97 or over some college	36 (155/435)	33	24	0.94 (NR)	0.88 (NR)	NR	NR	0.93 (NR)
		·	All	38 (55/146)	146	≤26	0.91)	0.77)	0.60 (NR)		0.854 (NR)
		Kay, 1985 ¹⁵⁵	All		274	≤24	0.846 (NR)	0.808 (NR)	`	1	NR
		Kirby, 2001 ¹⁵⁶	All	6 (41/648)	648	≤23	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

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Test name	Target	Author, year	Screened	Percent (n/n)	Total	Cutoff	Sens (95%	Spec	PPV (95%	NPV (95%	AUC (95%
	condition		Group	with condition	n		CI)	(95% CI)	CI)	CI)	CI)
		Lam, 2008 ¹⁵⁸	All	10 (44/459)	459	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0.811 (NR)
		McDowell, 1997 ¹⁶⁴	All	23 (368/1600)	1600	24	0.63 (NR)	0.89 (NR)	NR	NR	0.89 (NR)
		Mao, 2018 ⁴⁵⁸	All	9 (917/10340)	8805	20.5	0.89 (,)	0.82 (,)	(,)	(,)	0.93 (0.92, 0.94)
			Edu Elem School	NR	NR	21.5	0.89 (,)	0.85 (,)	(,)	(,)	0.94 (0.92, 0.95)
			Edu illiterate	NR	NR	15.5	0.89 (,)	0.91 (,)	(,)	(,)	0.95 (0.94, 0.96)
			Edu Jr HS or higher	NR	NR	24.5	0.90 (,)	0.80 (,)	(,)	(,)	0.94 (0.92, 0.97)
			Men	NR	NR	21.5	0.87 (,)	0.85 (,)	(,)	(,)	0.93 (0.92, 0.94)
			Women	NR	NR	17.5	0.84 (,)	0.90 (,)	(,)	(,)	0.94 (0.25, 0.95)
		Morales, 1997 ¹⁶⁵	Rural	13 (34/257)	160	20	0.83 (NR)	0.74 (NR)	0.34 (NR)	0.95 (NR)	NR
		Rait, 2000 ¹⁶⁸	All	6 (6/96)	96	≤25	0.83 (0.76, 0.91)	0.78 (0.69, 0.86)	NR	NR	NR
	Dementia	Rait, 2000 ¹⁶⁷	Gujarati	11 (13/120)	62	≤23	1.0 (0.16, 1.0)	0.95 (0.858, 0.99)	NR	NR	NR
			Pakistani	NR	39	≤26	1.0 (0.664, 1.0)	0.767 (0.573, 0.894)	NR	NR	NR
		Ranson, 2018 ⁴⁵⁹	All	35 (291/824	824	≤23	0.931 (0.896, 0.958)	0.713 (0.672, 0.751)	(0.313,	0.985 (0.977, 0.990)	0.94 (NR)
		Resichies, 1997 ¹⁶⁹	70-84 years	20 (100/491)	236	≤26	0.80 (NR)	0.824 (NR)		NR	NR
			85-95+ years	20 (100/491)	213	≤23	0.851 (NR)	0.753 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
		Resichies,	All	20 (100/491)	449	≤24	0.841 (NR)	0.831 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
		1997 ¹⁶⁹	All	20 (100/491)	449	≤23	0.78 (NR)	0.876 (NR)		NR	NR
		Stein, 2015*173	All	3 (86/2657)	2657	≤24	0.930 (NR)	0.959 (NR)	0.432 (NR)	0.997 (NR)	0.979 (0.965, 0.993)
		Tariq, 2006 ¹⁷⁵	HS edu or more	12 (82/702)	488	≤28.5	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
			Less than HS edu	12 (82/702)	214	≤27.5	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

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Test name	Target	Author, year	Screened	Percent (n/n)		Cutoff		Spec			AUC (95%
	condition		Group	with condition			CI)	(95% CI)			CI)
		Waite, 1998 ¹⁷⁹	All	28 (99/360)	360	≤23	0.84 (NR)	0.88 (NR)			0.93 (NR)
	MCI	Donnelly, 2008 ¹³⁶	All	20 (20/100)	100	1 SD	0.20 (0.06,		0.40 (0.12,		0.72 (NR)
							0.44)	0.97)	,	0.89)	
	MCI	Kaufer, 2008 ¹⁵⁴	All	52 (76/146)	91	≤27	0.47 (0.36, 0.59)	0.73 (0.45, 0.92)	0.90 (NR)	0.22 (NR)	0.666 (NR)
	MCI	Saxton, 2009 ¹⁷¹	All	44 (228/524)	524	28	0.45 (NR)	0.80 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
	MCI	Tariq, 2006 ¹⁷⁵	HS edu or more	26 (180/702)	433	≤29.5	0.75 (NR)	0.48 (NR)	0.38 (NR)	0.82 (NR)	0.643 (NR)
	MCI		Less than HS edu	26 (180/702)	187	≤28.5	0.60 (NR)	0.65 (NR)	0.38 (NR)	0.82 (NR)	0.671 (NR)
	Cognitive Impairment	Callahan, 2002 ¹²⁹	All	26 (91/344)	344	≤25	0.715 (NR)	0.873 (NR)	0.669 (NR)	0.895 (NR)	0.84 (NR)
	Cognitive Impairment	Cruz-Orduna, 2011 ¹³²	All	56 (90/160)	160	≤23	0.7667 (NR)	0.7000 (NR)		0.7000 (NR)	0.82 (0.76, 0.88)
	Cognitive Impairment	Cullen, 2005 ¹³³	All	9 (97/1115)	1115	≤23	0.722 (NR)	0.894 (NR)		NR	NR
	Cognitive Impairment	Jeong, 2004 ¹⁵⁰	All	42 (100/235)	235	≤20	0.82 (0.73, 0.89)	0.79 (0.71, 0.86)	NR	NR	0.89 (NR)
	Cognitive Impairment	Jorm, 1996 ¹⁵¹	All	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0.70 (NR)
	Cognitive Impairment	Kaufer, 2008 ¹⁵⁴	All	90 (131/146)	146	≤26	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Cognitive Impairment	Lam, 2008 ¹⁵⁸	All	45 (206/459)	459	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0.961 (NR)
	Cognitive Impairment	McDowell, 1997 ¹⁶⁴	All	53 (848/1600)	1600	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0.77 (NR)
	Cognitive Impairment	Rideaux, 2012 ¹⁷⁰	Black	57 (401/701)	87	≤22	0.67 (NR)	0.71 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
	Cognitive Impairment	_	Latino	57 (401/701)	55	≤24	0.93 (0.86, 1.0)	0.71 (0.60, 0.83)	0.93 (0.64, 0.87)	0.71 (0.83, 0.99)	NR
	Cognitive Impairment		White	57 (401/701)	380	≤25	0.58 (NR)	0.86 (NR)			NR
	Cognitive Impairment	Tariq, 2006 ¹⁷⁵	HS edu or more	37 (262/702)	488	≤28.5	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Cognitive Impairment		Less than HS edu	37 (262/702)	214	≤27.5	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Cognitive Impairment	Vercambre, 2010 ¹⁷⁸	All	23 (28/120)	120	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0.72 (NR)

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Test name	Target	Author, year	Screened	Percent (n/n)	Total	Cutoff	Sens (95%	Spec	PPV (95%	NPV (95%	AUC (95%
	condition	, -		with condition			CI)	(95% CI)	CI)	CI)	CI)
MoCA	Dementia	Chan, 2016*130	60 years or older	24 (113/478)	309	≤16	0.84 (NR)	0.89 (NR)	0.56 (NR)	0.97 (NR)	0.94 (0.92, 0.97)
	Dementia		75 years or older	24 (113/478)	110	≤12	0.76 (NR)	0.88 (NR)	0.76 (NR)	0.88 (NR)	0.88 (0.82, 0.95)
	Dementia		79 years or older	24 (113/478)	59	≤12	0.81 (NR)	0.86 (NR)	0.86 (NR)	0.80 (NR)	0.87 (0.78, 0.96)
	Dementia	Hsu, 2015* ¹⁴⁹	13 years edu or more	6 (16/276)	97	22.5	0.92 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
	Dementia	Hsu, 2015*149	6 years edu or less	6 (16/276)	61	20.5	0.89 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	NR	NR	0.9709 (0.91, 1.00)
	Dementia		60-69 years	6 (16/276)	171	23.5	0.84 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	NR	NR	0.9625 (0.90, 1.00)
	Dementia			6 (16/276)	91	23.5	0.67 (NR)	0.88 (NR)	NR	NR	0.8244 (0.71, 0.94)
	Dementia		7-12 years edu	6 (16/276)	118	23.5	0.80 (NR)	0.90 (NR)	NR	NR	0.8465 (0.75, 0.94)
	Dementia		80 years or more	6 (16/276)	14	22.0	0.73 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	NR	NR	0.8788 (0.69, 1.00)
	Dementia		All	6 (16/276)	276	23.5	0.78 (NR)	0.94 (NR)	NR	NR	0.8913 (0.83, 0.96)
	Dementia		Men	6 (16/276)	136	22.5	0.84 (NR)	0.88 (NR)	NR	NR	0.8882 (0.79, 0.98)
	Dementia		Women	6 (16/276)	140	23.5	0.76 (NR)	1.00 (NR)	NR	NR	0.8984 (0.81, 0.99)
	Dementia	Lee, 2008 ¹⁵⁹	All	22 (44/196)	196	≤22	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Dementia	Markwick, 2012 ¹⁶³	All	8 (8/107)	107	<26	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	MCI	Cummings- Vaughn, 2014*134		42 (57/136)	108	≤24	0.72 (NR)	0.75 (NR)	0.76 (NR)	0.70 (NR)	0.77 (0.68, 0.86)
	MCI		All	42 (57/136)	108	≤25	0.81 (NR)	0.55 (NR)	0.67 (NR)	0.72 (NR)	0.77 (0.68, 0.86)
	MCI	Lee, 2008 ¹⁵⁹	All	19 (37/196)	152	≤22	0.89 (NR)	0.84 (NR)	0.65 (NR)	0.96 (NR)	0.94 (0.90, 0.98)
	MCI	Markwick, 2012 ¹⁶³	All	19 (20/107)	99	<26	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Cognitive Impairment	Cummings- Vaughn, 2014*134		62 (85/136)	136	≤24	0.80 (NR)	0.75 (NR)	0.84 (NR)	0.69 (NR)	0.83 (0.77, 0.90)

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Test name	Target	Author, year	Screened	Percent (n/n)	Total	Cutoff	Sens (95%	Spec	PPV (95%	NPV (95%	AUC (95%
	condition		Group	with condition			CI)	(95% CI)	CI)	CI)	CI)
	Cognitive		All	62 (85/136)	136	≤25	0.86 (NR)	0.55 (NR)	0.76 (NR)	0.70 (NR)	0.83 (0.77,
	Impairment										0.90)
	Cognitive	Lee, 2008 ¹⁵⁹	All	41 (81/196)	196	≤22	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Impairment										
	Cognitive	Markwick,	All	26 (28/107)	107	<26	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Impairment	2012 ¹⁶³									
ОТ	Dementia	,	All	. ,	416	NR	0.958 (NR)		0.464 (NR)		
SBT	Dementia	Ball, 2001 ¹²⁵	All	9 (10/170) (estimated)	53	>8	0.40 (NR)	0.89 (NR)	0.67 (NR)	0.87 (NR)	NR
SLUMS	Dementia	Tariq, 2006 ¹⁷⁵	HS edu or more	12 (82/702)	488	≤24.5	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Dementia		Less than HS edu	12 (82/702)	214	≤22.5	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	MCI	Cummings- Vaughn, 2014*134	All	42 (57/136)	108	≤26	0.74 (NR)	0.65 (NR)	0.70 (NR)	0.69 (NR)	0.74 (065, 0.84)
	MCI	Tariq, 2006 ¹⁷⁵	HS edu or more	26 (180/702)	433	≤25.5	0.95 (NR)	0.76 (NR)	0.74 (NR)	0.93 (NR)	0.643 (NR)
	MCI		Less than HS edu	26 (180/702)	187	≤23.5	0.92 (NR)	0.81 (NR)	0.64 (NR)	0.97 (NR)	0.927 (NR)
	Cognitive Impairment	Cummings- Vaughn, 2014*134	All	62 (85/136)	136	≤25	0.72 (NR)	0.75 (NR)	0.82 (NR)	0.61 (NR)	0.82 (0.75, 0.89)
	Cognitive Impairment	Tariq, 2006 ¹⁷⁵		37 (262/702)	488	≤24.5	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Cognitive Impairment		Less than HS edu	37 (262/702)	214	≤22.5	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
SMMSE	Dementia	Stein, 2015*173	All	3 (86/2657)	2657	≤4	0.976 (NR)	0.711 (NR	0.101 (NR)	0.998 (NR)	0.909 (0.884, 0.935)
Storandt Battery	Dementia	Fillenbaum, 1990 ¹⁴⁰	All	16 (26/159)	159	≥0	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
TICS	Dementia	Lipton, 2003 ¹⁶¹	All	9 (27/300)	300	28	0.74 (NR)	0.93 (NR)	0.34 (NR)	NR	0.86 (NR)
	Dementia	Manly, 2011 ¹⁶²	All	14 (53/377)	377	≤22	0.88 (NR)	0.87 (NR)	0.51 (NR)	0.98 (NR)	0.94 (NR)
	Cognitive		All	32 (121/377)	377	≤26	0.73 (NR)	0.77 (NR)	0.59 (NR)	0.86 (NR)	0.81 (NR)
	Impairment										
	Cognitive Impairment	Vercambre, 2010 ¹⁷⁸	All	23 (28/120)	120	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0.78 (NR)
TICS-M	MCI	Cook, 2009 ¹³¹	All	24 (17/71)	71	34	0.824 (NR)	0.870 (NR	0.667 (NR)	0.940 (NR)	0.933 (NR)
TICS-M	Cognitive Impairment	Vercambre, 2010 ¹⁷⁸	All	23 (28/120)	120	31	0.71 (NR)	0.83 (NR)	0.56 (NR)	0.90 (NR)	0.83 (NR)

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Test name	Target	Author, year	Screened	Percent (n/n)	Total	Cutoff	Sens (95%	Spec	PPV (95%	NPV (95%	AUC (95%
	condition		Group	with condition	n		CI)	(95% CI)	CI)	CI)	CI)
TYM	MCI	Ozer, 2016*166	All	26 (40/152)	152	<43	0.63 (NR)	0.87 (NR)	0.35 (NR)	0.95 (NR)	0.80 (0.72, 0.88)
Word List Learning - immediate recall	Dementia	Heun, 1998 ¹⁴⁶	All	13 (37/287)	287	≤3	0.82 (NR)	0.77 (NR)	NR	NR	0.871 (0.814, 0.928)
Word List Learning - immediate recognition false alarms	Dementia		All	13 (37/287)	287	≤1	0.23 (NR)	0.77 (NR)	NR	NR	0.515 (0.401, 0.629)
Word List Learning - immediate recognition hi	Dementia t		All	13 (37/287)	287	≤6	0.57 (NR)	0.71 (NR)	NR	NR	0.670 (0.562, 0.778)
Word List Recognition	Dementia	Fuchs, 2012 ¹⁴²	All	5 (21/423)	423	≤16	0.706 (0.489, 0.922)	0.933 (0.908, 0.957)	0.308 (0.163, 0.453)	0.987 (0.975, 0.998)	0.881 (0.784, 0.978)

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: 7MS = 7 Minute Screen; AMT = Abbreviated Mental Test; AUC = area under the curve; CI = confidence interval; edu = education; FCR = Free and Cued Recall; FOME-abbreviated = Fuld Object Memory Evaluation – abbreviated version; M@T = Memory Alteration Test; MMblind = MMSE version for persons with visual impairment; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; MoCA = Montreal Cognitive Assessment; n = number of participants analyzed; NPV = negative predictive value; NR = not reported; OT = Benton's Orientation Test; PPV = positive predictive value; SBT = Short Blessed Test; Sens = sensitivity; SLUMS = Veterans Affairs Saint Louis University Mental Status; Spec = specificity; TICS = Telephone Instrument for Cognitive Status; TICS-M = Telephone Interview for Cognitive Status modified; TYM = Test Your Memory

Table 6. Test Performance of Longer, Self-Administered Screening Instruments, by Instrument and Target Condition (KQ 2)

Test name	Target condition	Δuthor vear	Screened Group	Percent (n/n) with condition	Total n	Cutoff	Sens (95% CI)		PPV (95% CI)	NPV (95% CI)	AUC (95% CI)
CAMCI	MCI	Saxton, 2009 ¹⁷¹	All	44 (228/524)	524	NA	0.86 (NR)	0.94 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
CAST	Dementia	Swearer, 2002 ¹⁷⁴	All	17 (8/46)	46	≤33	0.88 (NR)	0.95 (NR)	NR	NR	NR
CIDS	Dementia	Waite, 1998 ¹⁷⁹	All	28 (99/360)	360	6/7	0.89 (NR)	0.89 (NR)	NR	NR	0.91 (NR)
		Cruz-Orduna, 2011 ¹³²	All	9 (15/160)	160	95/96	0.8000 (NR)	0.7671 (NR)	0.2609 (NR)	0.9739 (NR)	0.85 (0.76, 0.94)
	Dementia	Jorm, 1996 ¹⁵¹	All	NR	NR	3.27/3.30	0.79 (NR)	0.65 (NR)	NR	NR	0.77 (NR)
		Morales, 1997 ¹⁶⁵	Rural	13 (34/257)	160	86	0.83 (NR)	0.83 (NR)	0.45 (NR)	0.97 (NR)	NR
IQCODE		Tokuhara, 2006 ¹⁷⁶	All	7 (16/230)	230	3.5	0.875 (NR)	0.911 (NR)	0.424 (NR)	0.99 (NR)	NR
	Cognitive	Cruz-Orduna, 2011 ¹³²	All	56 (90/160)	160	87/88	0.7111 (NR)	0.7429 (NR)	0.7805 (NR)	0.6667 (NR)	0.75 (0.67, 0.82)
	Impairment	Jorm, 1996 ¹⁵¹	All	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0.75 (NR)
		Tokuhara, 2006 ¹⁷⁶	All	17 (39/230)	230	3.5	0.739 (NR)	0.922 (NR)	0.515 (NR)	0.969 (NR)	0.87 (NR)
	Domontio	Ayalon, 2011 ¹²⁴	All	32 (206/647)	647	>3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
IQCODE-	Dementia	Jorm, 1996 ¹⁵¹	All	NR	NR	3.31/3.38	0.75 (NR)	0.68 (NR)	NR	NR	0.77 (NR)
Short	MCI	Ayalon, 2011 ¹²⁴	All	29 (185/647)	441	>3	0.748 (NR)	0.690 (NR)	0.309 (NR)	0.251 (NR)	0.77 (NR)
	Cognitive	Ayalon, 2011 ¹²⁴	All	60 (391/647)	647	>3	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Impairment	Jorm, 1996 ¹⁵¹	All	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	0.74 (NR)
SCIDS	Dementia	Waite, 1998 ¹⁷⁹	All	28 (99/360)	360	3/4	0.83 (NR)	0.87 (NR)	NR	NR	0.89 (NR)

Abbreviations: AUC = area under the curve; CAMCI = Computer Assessment of Mild Cognitive Impairment; CAST = Cognitive Assessment Screening Test; CI = confidence interval; CIDS = Concord Informant Dementia Scale; IQCODE = Informant Questionnaire on Cognitive Decline in the Elderly; IQCODE-Short = Informant Questionnaire on Cognitive Decline in the Elderly - short version; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; n = number of participants analyzed; NPV = negative predictive value; NR = not reported; PPV = Positive predictive value; SCIDS = Short Concord Informant Dementia Scale

Table 7. Trial and Population Characteristics: Summary Across All Intervention Types (KQ 4 and 5)

Intervention Type	No. trials*	No. new studies (%)	No. randomized	No. studies (%) good quality	No. studies (%) conducted in U.S.‡	Median study duration, months (range)	Mean age, years [†]	No. studies (%) with condition	Mean baseline MMSE	% Female [†]
FDA-approved medication	48	6 (12)	22,431	4 (8)§	24 (50)	6 (3-48)	74	MCI: 4 (8) Dem: 44 (92)	19.5	55
Donepezil	18	1 (6)	6,209	0 (0)	11 (61)	6 (3-36)	73	MCI:3 (17) Dem: 15 (83)	22.0	52
Galantamine	10	1 (10)	7,464	0 (0)	5 (50)	6 (3-12)	74	Dem: 10 (100)	19.1	59
Rivastigmine	8	0 (0)	4,569	0 (0)	4 (50)	6 (3-6)	73	Dem: 8 (100)	18.4	57
Memantine	12	4 (33)	4,189	4 (33)	4 (33)	6 (3-48)	76	MCI: 1 (8) Dem: 11 (92)	17.8	49
Other medication or supplement	29	5 (17)	6,489	6 (21)	16 (55)	12 (3-48)	75	MCI: 5 (17) Dem: 23 (79) MCI/Dem: 1 (3)	22.3	52
Antihypertensives	1	1 (100)	385	0 (0)	0 (0)	4 (NA)	81	MCI: 1 (100)	26.0	59
HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitors	4	0 (0)	1,153	0 (0)	3 (75)	12 (6-18)	74	Dem: 4 (100)	21.2	54
Dietary Supplements	14	3 (21)	3,777	4 (29)	7 (50)	12 (4-48)	75	MCI: 4 (29) Dem: 9 (64) MCI/Dem: 1 (7)	23.0	46
Gonadal Steroids	6	1 (17)	337	1 (17)	4 (67)	6 (3-12)	76	Dem: 6 (100)	20.1	95
NSAIDs	4	0 (0)	837	1 (25)	2 (50)	12 (12-12)	74	Dem: 4 (100)	20.1	56
Patient	61	39 (64)	7,847	13 (21)	13 (21)	6 (3-26)	76	MCI: 25 (41) Dem: 28 (46) MCI/Dem: 8 (13)	23.1	59
Cognitive Training, Stimulation, or Rehabilitation	28	17 (61)	3,212	5 (18)	6 (21)	6 (3-26)	76	MCI: 12 (43) Dem: 14 (50) MCI/Dem: 2 (7)	23.3	57
Exercise Interventions	21	14 (67)	2,831	6 (29)	4 (19)	6 (3-18)	75	MCI: 9 (43) Dem: 9 (43) MCI/Dem: 3 (14)	23.4	62
Multicomponent and Other Interventions	16	12 (75)	2,302	2 (12)	4 (25)	6 (3-24)	76	MCI: 7 (44) Dem: 6 (38) MCI/Dem: 3 (19)	22.8	59
Caregiver	88	33 (38)	14,880	13 (15)	40 (45)	9 (3-144)	78	MCI: 0 Dem: 84 (95) MCI/Dem: 4 (5)	17.6	56
Psychoeducation Interventions	58	24 (41)	9,139	6 (10)	28 (48)	6 (3-144)	78	Dem: 56 (97) MCI/Dem: 2 (3)	16.2	54

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Intervention Type	No. trials*	No. new studies (%)	No. randomized	No. studies (%) good quality	No. studies (%) conducted in U.S.‡	Median study duration, months (range)	Mean age, years [†]	No. studies (%) with condition	Mean baseline MMSE	% Female [†]
Care/Case Management	17	6 (35)	3,039	4 (24)	6 (35)	12 (6-24)	79	Dem: 15 (88) MCI/Dem: 2 (12)	19.8	58
Other Interventions	13	3 (23)	2,702	3 (23)	6 (46)	12 (3-24)	79	Dem: 13 (100)	19.1	57
Total	224	82 (37)	50,265	35 (16)	91 (41)	6 (3-144)	76	MCI: 33 (15) Dem: 178 (79) MCI/Dem: 13 (6)	19.9	56

^{*} Studies can be counted in more than one intervention type.

Abbreviations: Dem = dementia; FDA = US Food and Drug Administration; HMG-CoA = β -Hydroxy β -methylglutaryl-CoA; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; No. = number; NSAIDs = nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs

[†] Values reported for patients (not caregivers)

[‡] Including studies that were conducted in multiple countries, of which the US was one country.

^{§ 27} of these studies originated from a systematic review that was included in the previous review and were not quality rated again. For this table, they were all counted as "fair."

Table 8. Intervention Characteristics: Summary Across All Intervention Types (KQ 4 and 5)

Intervention Category	Intervention Type	No. Trials*		Median (Range) of Intervention Duration, Months	Summary of Control Group Characteristics
	Donepezil	18	Daily dosage ranged from 1 to 10 mg, with most trials using 5 to 10 mg per day.	6 (3-12)	Placebo controlled.
	Galantamine	10	Daily dosage ranged from 8 to 36 mg, with most trials used 16 to 24 mg per day.	6 (4-24)	Placebo controlled.
AChEIs and Memantine (k=48)	Rivastigmine		Daily dosage of oral rivastigmine ranged from 1 to 12 mg, with considerable variability in daily dosage. Three trials examined the rivastigmine patch, with daily dosages of 9.5 mg, 12 mg and 17.4 mg.	` ,	Placebo controlled.
	Memantine	12	Daily dosage of 20 mg. In two trials, both intervention and control participants were also given galantamine (24 mg) or rivastigmine (9.5 mg).	6 (3-48)	Placebo controlled, except for one open-label study. Two studies gave all participants an additional AChEI.
	Antihypertensive	1	Discontinuation of antihypertensive medication.	,	Usual care consisting of continuation of antihypertensive treatment.
	HMG-CoA Reductase Inhibitors	4	Two studies of Atorvastatin (80 mg daily dosage), and two studies of Simvastatin (daily dosages ranged from 40-80 mg).	14 (6-18)	Placebo controlled, except for one study of Atorvastatin in which participants received 10 mg of Donepezil along with a placebo.
Other Medications and Supplements (k=29)	NSAIDs		Four studies of different NSAIDs: One study of Celecoxib (400 mg daily dosage), one study of Ibuprofen (800 mg daily dosage), one study of Indomethacin (100 mg daily dosage) and omeprazole (20 mg daily dosage), and one study of Naproxen (440 mg daily dosage).	12 (12-12)	Placebo controlled, except for one study of Indomethacin that provided control participants with omeprazole (20 mg) along with a placebo, and another study of Ibuprofen that provided control participants with esomeprazole (20 mg).
	Gonadal Steroids	6	Four studies of estrogen (daily dosage ranging from 0.625-120 mg). One study of estrogen and progestin (1.5 mg daily dosage) and one study of testosterone (75 mg daily dosage).	,	Placebo controlled.
	Dietary Supplements	14	Four studies of B vitamins (variable combinations and daily dosages of B vitamins and folic acid). Three studies of vitamin E with daily dosages ranging from 1,000 to 2,000 IU.	10 (4-48)	Placebo controlled, except for four studies: One study of b vitamins provided participants with an AChEI along with a placebo. Two studies of omega-3 fatty acids provided participants with dietary supplements along with or included

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Intervention Category	Intervention Type	No. Trials*	Summary of Intervention Characteristics	Median (Range) of Intervention Duration, Months	
			Six studies of omega-3 fatty acids (variable combinations and doses of DHA, EPA, and LA). One study of multivitamins (daily dosage: mecobalamin [0.5 mg] + multivitamin supplement that contained folic acid, pyridoxine HCl, ferrous [60 mg], nicotinamide [10 mg], calcium carbonate [250 mg], riboflavin [2 mg], thiamine mononitrate [3 mg], calcium pantothenate [1 mg], ascorbic acid [100 mg]).		in the placebo; one placebo containing safflower oil (containing 2.2 g linoleic acid) and the other containing isocaloric oil (1 g corn oil, 0.6 g linoleic acid). One study of vitamin E provided participants with a multivitamin containing 15 IU vitamin E along with a placebo.
Nonpharmacologic Patient-Level Interventions (k=61)	Cognitive Training, Cognitive Stimulation, or Cognitive Rehabilitation	28	Interventions that directly or indirectly targeted cognitive functioning through cognitive stimulation (engaging the person with CI in a range of activities and discussions aimed at general enhancement of cognitive and social functioning), cognitive training (guided practice on a set of standardized tasks designed to reflect particular cognitive functions such as memory, attention, or problem-solving), and/or cognitive rehabilitation (setting personally relevant goals related to performance in everyday life with patient and family and devising strategies to address these). Most cognitive-focused activities were group-based interventions, but the intensity of activities varied considerably from 1 day a week for 6 weeks to 5 days a week for up to two years with most sessions ranging from 45 to 90 minutes per session. Most common interventionists were trained psychologists or neuropsychologists. Four studies tested computer-based cognitive training programs.	3 (1-24)	Highly variable ranging from no intervention or waitlist (11 trials), usual care not including cognitive-focused activities (7 trials), brief interventions including psychoeducation and social support (3 trials), and "sham" cognitive-focused activities (7 trials).
	Exercise Interventions	21	Most exercise interventions included supervised group- based exercise sessions focused on aerobic activities, strength and resistance training, and/or balance training that took place in a community setting and were led by an exercise specialist. Four trials included individualized, supervised exercise sessions in the home or community setting whereas three trials encouraged self- or caregiver-guided exercises at home. Two trials evaluated the effectiveness of a group-based	6 (3-12)	Over half of the trials provided attention control groups including general health education relevant for older adults or brief interventions including supervised "sham" exercise sessions focused on stretching or toning (k=12). In the remaining trials, control groups received usual care with or without

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Intervention Category	Intervention Type	No. Trials*	Summary of Intervention Characteristics	Median (Range) of Intervention Duration, Months	
			ballroom dancing intervention and one trial evaluated the impact of Tai Chi. Most interventions took place for 2-3 days per week for 30 minutes to 2 hours per session.		being offered the intervention at the end of the trial (k=9).
	Multicomponent and Other Interventions	16	Interventions in this group were all unique. Two trials included multicomponent interventions consisting of combined exercise with cognitive training or cognitive behavioral therapy and support groups. Three trials targeted patient well-being through diagnostic support and in-home counseling, group-based psychoeducation, and a self-management program and the remaining trial focused on vascular care through pharmacological and nonpharmacological interventions.	6 (2-24)	Highly variable, ranging from usual care provided by general practitioners (k=4); minimal or sham interventions (k=5); attention-control interventions (k=2); waitlist (k=4); or no intervention (k=1).
	Psychoeducation Interventions	58	Wide range of approaches with the most common format consisting of interventionists meeting individually with caregivers, dyads, or families, most commonly in participants' homes; however, a substantial number of interventions took place in group settings or were provided remotely through telephone counseling, computer-based programs or applications, videos, or a combination of these methods. Most interventions provided information about dementia and community resources and also included training in problem solving, communication techniques, and stress management. A variety of additional components were used, including peer or social support, supportive counseling, home safety assessments or information, occupational therapy, and environmental modifications. The interventionists were highly variable, including general educators or counselors, psychologists, nurses, occupational therapists, social workers, and hired and trained research staff. Most interventions involved multiple modes of delivery and included 10-15 sessions, with each session ranging from 30- to 120-minutes.	4 (1-24)	Highly variable, ranging from no intervention or waitlist (k=19); attention-control interventions (k=3); brief interventions (k=12) primarily consisting of basic educational materials about dementia caregiving (k=8), information on local resources (k=2), and some providing additional brief (10-15-min) telephone support calls with research staff or a social worker (k=3); minimal interventions (k=15) that were similar to the brief interventions, but had more intensive (20-60 min) telephone calls offering social support and tips for behavior management; and usual care interventions (k=39) consisting of standard care provided to dementia caregivers, which varied largely by country.
	Care/Case Management	17	Interventions included professional assistance to help arrange, implement, or facilitate services to meet a	12 (3-24)	Minimal interventions (k=5) involving enhanced usual care (k=3)

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Intervention Category	Intervention Type	No. Trials*	Summary of Intervention Characteristics	Median (Range) of Intervention Duration, Months	Summary of Control Group Characteristics
			patient's and family's needs and generally all provided assessment, advice and information, individualized treatment planning, caregiver psychoeducation and skills training, ongoing monitoring, and either referral or care coordination with outside social and health care services (such as occupational and physical therapy, respite care, personal care assistance, social, and social work). Interventionists varied, but most often included a nurse or other health provider serving as a "case manager" or "care coordinator."		and in-home visits by occupational therapists and primary care staff (k=2). The remaining control groups received usual care (k=12) consisting of standard care provided to dementia caregivers, which varied largely by country.
	Other Interventions	13	Interventions in this group were all unique. Interventions included: Physical activity counseling for the caregiver (k=3) provided in-person and remotely by educators/counselors or was entirely self-administered. Multicomponent dyadic intervention (k=2) delivered at home by psychologists or home health specialists. Social support only (k=3) delivered at home or community settings by peers and trained research staff. Assessment and treatment planning or multidisciplinary assessment only (k=3) delivered in medical settings by primary care staff. Provider training (k=1) delivered at home by nurses or psychologists. Transcendental meditation (k=1) delivered in community settings by a educators/counselors.	6 (2-24)	Variable, included attention-control (k=1) or no intervention (k=4); usual care (k=5) of standard care provided to dementia caregivers, which varied largely by country; a brief intervention (k=1) monthly mailings of general information and three brief emotional support telephone calls and minimal interventions (k=2), which varied by intervention type (exercise – pedometer provided; multidisciplinary assessment – biweekly telephone contact).

Abbreviations: AChEI = acetylcholinesterase inhibitor; DHA = docosahexaenoic acid; EPA = eicosapentaenoic acid; HMG-CoA = β-Hydroxy β-methylglutaryl-CoA; IU = International Unit; k = number of trials analyzed; LA = linoleic acid; mg = milligrams; No. = number; NSAIDs = nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs

^{*} Studies can be counted in more than one intervention type.

Table 9. Meta-Analyses Results: Summary Across All Intervention Types (KQ 4 and 5)

Main intervention	Intervention type	Outcome	Pooled mean	95% CI [†]	k	N	P ²	Tau
category			difference in change*					
FDA Medications	Donepezil	GCF – ADAS-Cog	-2.13	-3.32 to -0.94	6	1,981	64.4	0.90
		GCF – MMSE	1.24	0.81 to 1.67	12	3,192	65.3	0.57
		GF (cont)	-0.24	-0.39 to -0.09	8	3,302	70.7	0.15
		GF (dichot)	1.33	1.07 to 1.66	9	2,440	77.4	0.23
		SAEs	1.18	0.99 to 1.40	12	4,045	0.0	0
		Withdrawals	1.88	1.54 to 2.29	13	4,124	8.8	0
	Galantamine	GCF – ADAS-Cog	-2.13	-2.94 to -1.32	9	3,786	65.9	0.84
		GCF – MMSE	NA	NA	1	1,765	NA	NA
		GF (cont)	NA	NA	1	126	NA	NA
		GF (dichot)	1.21	1.11 to 1.31	8	3,486	56.2	0.07
		SAEs	1.06	0.88 to 1.29	7	4,987	0.0	0
		Withdrawals	1.98	1.52 to 2.57	10	6,147	51.1	0.28
	Rivastigmine	GCF – ADAS-Cog	-2.43	-4.10 to -0.75	5	2,618	81.9	1.21
		GCF – MMSE	0.88	0.28 to 1.49	6	2,415	44.9	0.39
		GF (cont)	-0.14	-0.43 to 0.15	6	2,535	85.7	0.25
		GF (dichot)	1.49	1.13 to 1.98	5	1,934	61.4	0.16
		SAEs	1.15	0.87 to 1.52	6	2,619	10.4	0
		Withdrawals	2.21	1.43 to 3.42	8	3,131	57.0	0.38
	Memantine	GCF – ADAS-Cog	-0.88	-1.65 to -0.11	8	2,609	78.1	0.69
		GCF – MMSE	0.36	-0.31 to 1.04	5	1,217	33.2	0.27
		GF (cont)	-0.14	-0.33 to 0.05	5	1,396	32.9	0.09
		GF (dichot)	1.15	0.49 to 2.69	2	545	0.0	0
		SAEs	0.88	0.77 to 1.01	10	3,350	0.0	0
		Withdrawals	1.26	0.94 to 1.70	9	3,288	0.0	0
Nonpharm Patient	Cognitive Stimulation and	GCF – ADAS-Cog	-0.66	-1.60 to 0.29	8	842	0	0
Level	Training	GCF – MMSE	1.33	0.29 to 2.37	15	1,384	91.1	1.91
	Exercise	GCF – ADAS-Cog	-1.05	-3.49 to 1.10	6	1,071	77.4	1.62
		GCF – MMSE	1.17	0.45 to 1.90	10	1,168	81.3	0.98
	Multicomponent and Other	GCF – ADAS-Cog	-1.66	-10.03 to 6.72	2	167	56.5	0.72
	Interventions	GCF – MMSE	0.26	-0.54 to 1.00	8	1,238	30.3	0.55
Caregiver	Psychoeducation Interventions	CGR burden	-0.24	-0.36 to -0.13	27	2,776	50.2	0.20
		CGR depression	-0.26	-0.39 to -0.13	37	4,555	76.9	0.35
	Care or Case Management	CGR burden	-0.54	-0.96 to -0.12	8	1,215	82.9	0.45
		CGR depression	-0.13	-0.39 to 0.12	4	668	0.0	0
	Other Caregiver or Caregiver-	CGR burden	-0.30	-2.26 to 1.36	5	459	89.6	1.36
	Patient Dyad Interventions	CGR depression	-0.00	-0.34 to 0.34	5	645	53.7	0.20

^{*} For dichotomous outcomes, this represents a RR.

[†] For analyses with <10 studies, the REML method was used to calculate the CI

Table 9. Meta-Analyses Results: Summary Across All Intervention Types (KQ 4 and 5)

Abbreviations: ADAS-Cog = Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-Cognitive Subscale; CGR = caregiver; CI = confidence interval; cont = continuous; dichot = dichotomous; FDA = US Food and Drug Administration; GCF = global cognitive function; GF = global fu

Table 10. AChEls and Memantine: Study Characteristics, by Medication Type (KQ 4 and 5)

Medication	Author, year (Study name)	Quality	Country	N randomized	Population	Baseline MMSE, mean	Age, mean	Female, %
Donepezil	307 Vascular Dementia Study Group)	Fair-Good	US, GBR, AUS, CAN, DEU, IRL	603	Dem	21.8 [†]	74	45
Donepezil	Burns, 1999 ¹⁸⁵	Fair-Good	GBR, AUS, BEL, CAN, FRA, DEU, IRL, NZL, ZAF	818	Dem	20	72	57
Donepezil	Doody, 2009 ¹⁸⁶	Fair	US	821	MCI	27.5	70	46
Donepezil	Feldman, 2001 ¹⁸⁷	Fair-Good	AUS, CAN, FRA	290	Dem	11.8 [‡]	74	61
Donepezil	Holmes, 2004 ¹⁸⁸	Fair-Good	GBR	96	Dem	21	79	62
Donepezil	Ikeda, 2015*189	Fair	JPN	142	Dem	20.4	78	58
Donepezil	Krishnan, 2003 ¹⁹⁰	Fair-Good	US	67	Dem	19.3	73	72
Donepezil	Mazza, 2006 ¹⁹¹	Fair-Good	ITA	51	Dem	18.7	68	54
Donepezil	Mohs, 2001 ¹⁹²	Fair	US	431	Dem	17.1	75	63
Donepezil	Mori, 2012 ¹⁹³	Fair	JPN	140	Dem	19.6	79	66
Donepezil	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴	Fair	US, CAN	769	MCI	27.3	73	46
Donepezil	Rogers, 1996 ¹⁹⁶	Fair-Good	US	161	Dem	18.8	72	60
Donepezil	Rogers, 1998 ¹⁹⁵ (Donepezil Study Group)	Fair-Good	US	468	Dem	19.5	74	64
Donepezil	Salloway, 2004 ¹⁹⁷ (Donepezil 401 MCI Study)	Fair-Good	US	269	MCI	27.4	72	42
Donepezil	Seltzer, 2004 ¹⁹⁸ (Donepezil 402 Study)		US	153	Dem	24.2	74	54
Donepezil	Tune, 2003 ¹⁹⁹	Fair-Good	US	28	Dem	21.1	73	75
Donepezil	Wilkinson, 2003 ²⁰⁰ (Donepezil 308 Study)	Fair-Good	US, GBR, AUS, CAN, DEU, IRL	616	Dem	21.8	75	40
Donepezil	Winblad, 2001 ²¹¹ (Donepezil Nordic Study Group)	Fair-Good	DNK, FIN, NLD, NOR, SWE	286	Dem	19.3	72	46
Galantamine	Auchus, 2007 ²⁰² (GAL- INT-26)	Fair	US	788	Dem	20.3	72	36
Galantamine	Brodaty, 2005 ²⁰³ (GAL-INT-10)	Fair-Good	US, AUS, CAN, NZL, ZAF	971	Dem	18	76	64
Galantamine	INT-6)	Fair-Good	GBR, CAN, DNK, FIN, FRA, DEU, IRL, ISR, NLD, POL	592	Dem	20.5	75	47
Galantamine	Hager, 2014* ²⁰⁵	Fair	CZE, FRA, DEU, GRC, ITA, LTU, RUS,	2045	Dem	19	73	65

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Medication	Author, year (Study name)	Quality	Country	N randomized	Population	Baseline MMSE, mean	Age, mean	Female, %
			SVK, EST, LVA, SVN, ROU, UKR					
Galantamine	Raskind, 2000 ²⁰⁶ (Galantamine USA - Study Group (GAL-USA-1))	Fair-Good	US	636	Dem	19.3	75	62
Galantamine	Rockwood, 2001 ²⁰⁸ (GAL-INT-2)		US, GBR, AUS, CAN, NZL, ZAF	386	Dem	19.7	75	56
Galantamine	Rockwood, 2006 ²⁰⁷ (Video- Imaging Synthesis of Treated Alzheimer's disease (VISTA))	Fair	CAN	130	Dem	20.3	78	63
Galantamine	Tariot, 2000 ²⁰⁹ (Galantamine USA - Study Group (GAL-USA-10))	Fair-Good	us	978	Dem	17.8	77	64
Galantamine	Wilcock, 2000 ²¹⁰ (Galantamine International-1-Group Study (GAL-INT-1))	Fair-Good	GBR, CAN, FIN, FRA, DEU, NLD, NOR, SWE	653	Dem	19.3	72	63
Galantamine	Wilkinson, 2001 ²¹¹	Fair-Good	GBR	285	Dem	18.6	74	58
Rivastigmine	Agid, 1998 ²¹²	Fair-Good	GBR, AUT, BEL, CZE, DNK, FIN, FRA, DEU, IRL, NOR, SVK, SWE, CHE	402	Dem	NR	69	56
Rivastigmine	Ballard, 2008 ²¹³ (Vascular Dementia Trial studying Exelon (VantagE))	Fair	US, GBR, AUT, CAN, FRA, DEU, ITA, KOR, RUS, ESP, TWN	710	Dem	19.2	73	38
Rivastigmine	Corey-Bloom, 1998 ²¹⁴	Fair-Good	US	699	Dem	19.7	74	61
Rivastigmine	Feldman, 2007 ²¹⁵ (Study 304)	Fair	GBR, AUS, CAN, IRL, ITA, ZAF	678	Dem	18.6	71	59
Rivastigmine	McKeith, 2000 ²¹⁶	Fair-Good	GBR, ITA, ESP	120	Dem	17.8	74	43
Rivastigmine	Mok, 2007 ²¹⁷	Fair	HKG	40	Dem	13.2	75	60
Rivastigmine	Rosler, 1999 ²¹⁸ (B303 Exelon Study)	Fair-Good	US, AUT, CAN, FRA, DEU, CHE	725	Dem	19.9	72	59
Rivastigmine	Winblad, 2007 ²¹⁹ (Investigation of transDermal Exelon in ALzheimer's disease (IDEAL))	Fair	US, CHL, CZE, DNK, FIN, DEU, GTM, ISR, ITA, KOR, MEX, NOR, PER, POL, PRT, RUS, SVK, SWE, TWN, VEN	1195	Dem	16.5	74	66

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Medication	Author, year	Quality	Country	N randomized	Population	Baseline MMSE,	Age, mean	Female, %
	(Study name)					mean		
Memantine	Bakchine, 2008 ²²⁰	Good	GBR, AUT, BEL, DNK, FIN, FRA, GRC, LTU, NLD, POL, ESP, SWE		Dem	18.7	74	63
Memantine	Choi, 2011*221	Fair	KOR	172	Dem	16.6	75	80
Memantine	Dysken, 2014* ²²² (TEAM- AD VA)	Good	US	613	Dem	21	79	3
Memantine	Ferris, 2007 ²²³	Fair	US	60	MCI	28.8	67	65
Memantine	Herrmann, 2013*224	Fair	CAN	369	Dem	11.8	75	58
Memantine		Fair-Good	BEL, FRA, CHE	321	Dem	16.9	76	47
Memantine	Peskind, 2006 ²²⁶ (MEM- MD-10)	Fair-Good	US	403	Dem	17.3	78	59
Memantine	Peters, 2015*227	Fair	DEU	226	Dem	22.2	72	64
Memantine	Porsteinsson, 2008 ²²⁸ (MEM-MD-12)	Good	US	433	Dem	16.8	75	52
Memantine	Saxton, 2012 ²²⁹ (MEM- MD-71)	Good	AUS, NZL, ZAF	265	Dem	15.8	75	58
Memantine	Wilcock, 2002 ²³⁰ (MMM500)	Fair-Good	GBR	579	Dem	17.6	77	48
Memantine	Wilkinson, 2012 ²³¹	Fair	GBR, FRA, DEU, CHE	278	Dem	16.9	74	57
Any AChEI	Gill, 2009 ²³²	Good	CAN	81,302	Dem	NR	80	61
Any AChEI	Hernandez, 2009 ²³³	Good	US	11,328	Dem	NR	74	4
Any AChEI	Thavorn, 2014 ²³⁴	Fair	CAN	97,446	Dem	NR	82	64

^{*} New Study

Abbreviations: AUS = Australia; AUT = Austria; BEL = Belgium; CAN = Canada; CHE = Switzerland; CZE = Czech Republic; Dem = Dementia; DEU = Germany; DNK = Denmark; ESP = Spain; EST = Estonia; FIN = Finland; FRA = France; GBR = Great Britain/United Kingdom; GRC = Greece; GTM = Guatemala; HKG = Hong Kong; IRL = Ireland; ISR = Israel; ITA = Italy; JPN = Japan; KOR = Korea; LEADe = Lipitor's Effect in Alzheimer's; Dementia; LVA = Latvia; LTU = Lithuania; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MEX = Mexico; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; N = number of participants; NLD = Netherlands; NOR = Norway; NR = not reported; NZL = New Zealand; PER = Peru; POL = Poland; PRT = Portugal; ROU = Romania; RUS = Russia; SVK = Slovakia; SVN = Slovenia; SWE = Sweden; TWN = Taiwan; UKR = Ukraine; VEN = Venezuela; ZAF = South Africa

[†] Least squares mean

[‡] Standardized MMSE

Table 11. AChEIs and Memantine: Interventions Characteristics, by Medication Type (KQ 4 and 5)

Author, year	Country	Pop cat	Medication (total daily dose)	Duration, weeks	Intervention details	CG description
Black, 2003 ¹⁸⁴ Fair-Good	US, GBR, AUS, CAN, DEU, IRL	Dem	IG1: Donepezil (10 mg) IG2: Donepezil (5 mg)	24	IG1: Started at 5 mg qd and increased to 10 mg qd after 4 weeks IG2: 5 mg qd	Placebo
Burns, 1999 ¹⁸⁵ Fair-Good	GBR, AUS, BEL, CAN, FRA, DEU, IRL, NZL, ZAF	Dem	IG1: Donepezil (10 mg) IG2: Donepezil (5 mg)	24	IG1: Started with 5 mg qd and increased 10 mg qd after 7 days IG2: 5 mg qd	Placebo
Doody, 2009 ¹⁸⁶ Fair	US	MCI	Donepezil (5-10 mg)	48	5 mg qd for 6 weeks followed by 10 mg qd for remainder of 28 weeks; allowed to reduce down to 5 mg qd if tolerability issues.	Placebo
Feldman, 2001 ¹⁸⁷ Fair-Good	AUS, CAN, FRA	Dem	Donepezil (10 mg)	24	Started with 5 mg qd for first 28 days, then increased dose to 10 mg qd. Study medication could be reduced to 5 mg qd at any time during study to improve tolerability	Placebo
Holmes, 2004 ¹⁸⁸ Fair-Good	GBR	Dem	Donepezil (10 mg)	24	Run-in was open label phase with 5 mg qd, for 6 weeks, then 10 mg qd for further 6 weeks, then patients randomized to placebo or 10 mg qd for further 12 weeks.	Placebo
Ikeda, 2015* ¹⁸⁹ Fair	JPN	Dem	IG1: Donepezil (10 mg) IG2: Donepezil (5 mg)	12	IG1: Treatment began with 3 mg qd for 2 weeks then dose increased to 5 mg qd, then to 10 mg qd at week 6. IG2: Started at 3 mg qd for 2 weeks, then dose increased to 5 mg qd.	Placebo
Krishnan, 2003 ¹⁹⁰ Fair-Good	US	Dem	Donepezil (10 mg)	24	Started at 5 mg qd for first 28 days, then 10 mg qd thereafter	Placebo
Mazza, 2006 ¹⁹¹ Fair-Good	ITA	Dem	Donepezil (5 mg)	24	5 mg qd	Placebo
Mohs, 2001 ¹⁹² Fair	US	Dem	Donepezil (10 mg)	54	Started at 5 mg qd for first 28 days and 10 mg qd thereafter	Placebo
Mori, 2012 ¹⁹³ Fair	JPN	Dem	IG1: Donepezil (10 mg) IG2: Donepezil (5 mg) IG3: Donepezil (3 mg)	12	IG1: Titrated from 3 mg qd for 2 weeks, 5 mg qd for 4 weeks and then 10 mg qd for 6 weeks. IG2: Titrated from 3 mg qd for 2 weeks up to 5 mg qd. IG3: 3 mg qd	Placebo
Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴ Fair	US, CAN	MCI	Donepezil (10 mg)	156	Started at 5 mg qd, then increased to 10mg qd after 6 weeks	Placebo + multivitamin containing 15 IU Vitamin E

Table 11. AChEls and Memantine: Interventions Characteristics, by Medication Type (KQ 4 and 5)

Author, year	Country	Pop cat	Medication (total daily dose)	Duration, weeks	Intervention details	CG description
Rogers, 1996 ¹⁹⁶ Fair-Good	US	Dem	IG1: Donepezil (5 mg)	12	IG1: 5 mg qd for 12 weeks followed by 2 week placebo washout period	Placebo
			IG2: Donepezil (3 mg) IG3: Donepezil (1 mg)		IG2: 3 mg qd for 12 weeks followed by 2 week placebo washout period	
					IG3: 1 mg qd for 12 weeks followed by 2 week placebo washout period	
Rogers, 1998 ¹⁹⁵ Fair-Good	US	Dem	IG1: Donepezil (10 mg) IG2: Donepezil (5 mg)	15	IG1: Started at 5 mg qd during week 1 and increased to 10 mg qd weeks 2-12, followed by placebo washout weeks 13-15	Placebo
			icz. Donopozii (o mg)		IG2: 5 mg qd for 12 weeks followed by placebo washout weeks 13-15	
Salloway, 2004 ¹⁹⁷ Fair-Good	US	MCI	Donepezil (10 mg)	24	Started at 5 mg qd and increased to 10 mg qd after 42 days	Placebo
Seltzer, 2004 ¹⁹⁸ Fair-Good	us	Dem	Donepezil (10 mg)	24	Started at 5 mg and increased to 10 mg qd after 6 weeks	Placebo
Tune, 2003 ¹⁹⁹ Fair-Good	US	Dem	Donepezil (10 mg)	24	Started at 5 mg qd for first 28 days and then increased to 10 mg qd after 28 days	Placebo
Wilkinson, 2003 ²⁰⁰ Fair-Good	US, GBR, AUS, CAN, DEU, IRL	Dem	IG1: Donepezil (10 mg) IG2: Donepezil (5 mg)	24	IG1: Started at 5 mg qd and increased to 10 mg qd after 28 days	Placebo
i ali-Good			iGZ. Donepezii (5 mg)		IG2: 5 mg qd	
Winblad, 2001 ²⁰¹ Fair-Good	NOR, SWE	Dem	Donepezil (10 mg)	52	Started on 5 mg qd for 28 days, and then 10 mg qd. If required, a dose reduction to 5 mg qd was permitted.	Placebo
Auchus, 2007 ²⁰² Fair	US	Dem	Galantamine (16-24 mg)	26	4 mg bid for 4 weeks followed by 8 mg bid for 4 weeks; dosage could be maintained or increased to 12 mg bid (after additional 4 weeks, maintained or reduced to 8 mg bid for tolerability). Mean (SD) dose over entire treatment, 16.4 (3.98) mg qd	Placebo
Brodaty, 2005 ²⁰³ Fair-Good	US, AUS, CAN, NZL, ZAF	Dem	IG1: Galantamine (16-24 mg)	26	IG1: Run-in period: placebo for 4 weeks; Titrated from initial dosage of 4 mg bid for weeks 1 through 4; weeks 5 through 8 titrated to 8 mg bid; after 8 weeks, 8- or 12-mg	
			IG2: Galantamine (16-24 mg)		bid IG2: Run-in period: placebo for 4 weeks; Titrated from initial dosage of 8 mg qd in morning with placebo in the	

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Author, year	Country	Pop cat	Medication (total daily dose)	Duration, weeks	Intervention details	CG description
					evening for weeks 1 through 4; weeks 5 through 8 titrated to 16 mg qd in morning with placebo in evening; after 8 weeks, 16- or 24-mg qd in morning	
Erkinjuntti, 2002 ²⁰⁴ Fair-Good	GBR, CAN, DNK, FIN, FRA, DEU, IRL, ISR, NLD, POL	Dem	Galantamine (24 mg)	26	After 4 weeks placebo run-in period, started 4 mg qd in the first week, with weekly increments of 4 mg qd until reached 24 mg qd in week 6.	Placebo
Hager, 2014* ²⁰⁵ Fair	CZE, FRA, DEU, GRC, ITA, LTU, RUS, SVK, EST, LVA, SVN, ROU, UKR	Dem	Galantamine (24 mg)	104	12 week titration period started at 8 mg qd, then increased to 16 mg qd, and up to 24 mg qd. Galantamine maintained at stable dose of at least 16 mg qd for next 21 months.	Placebo
Raskind, 2000 ²⁰⁶ Fair-Good	US	Dem	IG1: Galantamine (24 mg) IG2: Galantamine (32 mg)	26	IG1: Following a 4-week run-in period, started at 8 mg qd for the first week, followed by 16 mg qd in the second and 24 mg qd in the third week. In the fourth week, continued to receive the 24 mg qd dose for an additional 5 months. IG2: Following a 4-week run-in period, started at 8 mg qd for the first week, followed by 16 mg qd in the second and 24 mg qd in the third week. In the fourth week, dose was increased to 32 mg qd dose for an additional 5 months.	
Rockwood, 2001 ²⁰⁸ Fair-Good	US, GBR, AUS, CAN, NZL, ZAF	Dem	Galantamine (24-32 mg)	12	Started at 4 mg bid for 1 week, increased to 8 mg bid for the 2nd week and 12 mg bid for the 3rd week; during week 4 increased to 16 mg bid at the discretion of the investigator based on tolerance and by the end of the 4th week, the investigator could red	
Rockwood, 2006 ²⁰⁷ Fair	CAN	Dem	Galantamine (16-24 mg)	16	16 to 24 mg qd; 1 tablet bid with food. Titrated from 8 mg qd (4 mg bid) for 4 weeks; 16 mg qd for another 4 weeks At end of 8 weeks, dose could be increased to 24 mg qd depending on tolerability. At 12 weeks, dose could be reduced to 16 mg qd.	
Tariot, 2000 ²⁰⁹ Fair-Good	US	Dem	IG1: Galantamine (24 mg) IG2: Galantamine (16 mg)	21	IG1: Started at 4 mg bid for 4 weeks, then 8 mg bid for 4 weeks, and then maintenance dose at 12 mg bid from weeks 9 to 21	Placebo
			IG3: Galantamine (8 mg)		IG2: Started at 4 mg bid for 4 weeks followed by 8 mg bid for 17 weeks	

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Author, year	Country	Pop cat	Medication (total daily dose)	Duration, weeks	Intervention details	CG description
					IG3: Started at 4 mg bid for 4 weeks followed by 8 mg bid for 17 weeks	
Wilcock, 2000 ²¹⁰ Fair-Good	GBR, CAN, FIN, FRA, DEU, NLD, NOR, SWE	Dem	IG1: Galantamine (24 mg) IG2: Galantamine (32 mg)	26	IG1: Started at 4 mg bid for one week, increasing to 8 mg bid for second week, and in the third week increased to 12 mg bid which was continued for rest of the study (5 months). IG2: Started at 4 mg bid for one week, increasing to 8 mg bid for second week, increasing to 12 mg bid for the third week, and in the fourth week increased to 16 mg bid which was continued rest of the study (5 months).	
Wilkinson, 2001 ²¹¹ Fair-Good	GBR	Dem	IG1: Galantamine (24 mg) IG2: Galantamine (36 mg) IG3: Galantamine (18 mg)	12	IG1: After a 2-week washout period, started at 4 mg bid; increased progressively at 2- to 3-day intervals until the target dosage level of 8 mg tid was achieved after 8 days - then followed by 10 weeks of continuous fixed medication. IG2: After a 2-week washout period, started 4 mg bid; increased progressively at 2- to 3-day intervals until the target dosage level of 12 mg tid was achieved after 14 days - then followed by 10 weeks of continuous fixed medication. IG3: After a 2-week washout period, started at 4 mg bid; increased progressively at 2- to 3-day intervals until the target dosage level of 6 mg tid was achieved after 5 days - then followed by 10 weeks of continuous fixed medication.	
Agid, 1998 ²¹² Fair-Good	GBR, AUT, BEL, CZE, DNK, FIN, FRA, DEU, IRL, NOR, SVK, SWE, CHE	Dem	IG1: Rivastigmine (6 mg) IG2: Rivastigmine (4 mg)	13	IG1: Started at 1 mg bid and titrated to 2.5 mg bid for 3 weeks, then maintained 3 mg bid for 10 weeks. IG2: Started at 1 mg bid and titrated to 1.5 mg bid for 1 week, then maintained 2 mg bid for 12 weeks.	Placebo
Ballard, 2008 ²¹³ Fair	US, GBR, AUT, CAN, FRA, DEU, ITA, KOR, RUS, ESP, TWN	Dem	Rivastigmine (3-12 mg)	24	Treatment began with 1.5 mg bid and doses were increased by 1.5 mg bid at every 4 week interval over 16 weeks. The highest well-tolerated dose was maintained for the duration of the study. Mean dose by the end of the study was 9.6 mg qd.	Placebo

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Author, year	Country	Pop cat	•	Duration, weeks	Intervention details	CG description
Corey-Bloom, 1998 ²¹⁴ Fair-Good	US	Dem	IG1: Rivastigmine (6-12 mg) IG2: Rivastigmine (1-4 mg)	26	IG1: Started at 3 mg bid and dose was titrated weekly to 6 mg bid during weeks 1-7; and during flexible dose maintenance phase weeks 8-26, doses increased within	Placebo
					the assigned range (6-12 mg qd) until maximum dose or maximum tolerated dose was achieved.	
					IG2: Started at 0.5 mg bid and dose was titrated weekly to 2 mg bid during weeks 1-7; and during flexible dose	
					maintenance phase weeks 8-26, doses increased within the assigned range (1-4 mg qd) until maximum dose or maximum tolerated dose was achieved.	
Feldman, 2007 ²¹⁵	GBR, AUS, CAN, IRL, ITA, ZAF	Dem	IG1: Rivastigmine (9.6 mg)	26	IG1: 2-12 mg qd given tid, mean 9.6 mg qd	Placebo
Fair			IG2: Rivastigmine (8.9 mg)		IG2: 2-12 mg qd given bid, mean 8.9 mg qd	
McKeith, 2000 ²¹⁶ Fair-Good	GBR, ITA, ESP	Dem	Rivastigmine (12 mg)	20	Started with 1.5 mg bid rivastigmine or placebo; doses escalated by 1.5 mg bid for a max of 2 weeks at each dose until 6 mg bid or maximum well tolerated maintenance dose reached. Titration lasted up to 8 weeks.	Placebo
Mok, 2007 ²¹⁷ Fair	HKG	Dem	Rivastigmine (6 mg)	26	Started at 1.5 mg bid and increased to 3 mg bid after 4 weeks	Placebo
Rosler, 1999 ²¹⁸ Fair-Good	US, AUT, CAN, FRA, DEU, CHE	Dem	IG1: Rivastigmine (6-12 mg) IG2: Rivastigmine (1-4 mg)	26	IG1: Dosages increased weekly in steps of up to 1.5 mg qd during weeks 1-12; must be within target range by week 7. Decreases were not permitted during the first 12 weeks. Mean dose 10.4 mg qd by the end of the study.	Placebo
					IG2: Dosages increased weekly in steps of up to 1.5 mg qd during weeks 1-12; must be within target range by week 7. Decreases were not permitted during the first 12 weeks. Mean dose 3.7 mg qd by the end of the study.	
Winblad, 2007 ²¹⁹ Fair	DUS, CHL, CZE, DNK, FIN, DEU, GTM, ISR, ITA, KOR, MEX, NOR,	Dem	IG1: Rivastigmine (12 mg) IG2: Rivastigmine (17.4 mg)	24	IG1: 12 mg qd capsule titrated from 3 mg qd to maximum 12 mg qd in 4-week steps over 16 weeks. IG2: 20 square centimeter patch (17.4 milligrams/24	Placebo
	PER, POL, PRT, RUS, SVK, SWE, TWN, VEN		IG3: Rivastigmine (9.5 mg)		hours), titrated in 5 square cm patches to the target dose in 4-week steps over 16 weeks. Patients maintained at their highest tolerated dose.	

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Author, year	Country	Pop cat	Medication (total daily dose)	Duration, weeks	Intervention details	CG description
					IG3: 10 square centimeter patch (9.5 milligrams/24 hours), titrated in 5 square cm patches to the target dose in 4-week steps over 16 weeks. Patients maintained at their highest tolerated dose.	
Bakchine, 2008 ²²⁰ Good	GBR, AUT, BEL, DNK, FIN, FRA, GRC, LTU, NLD, POL, ESP, SWE	Dem	Memantine (20 mg)	24	Three week up titration then 21 weeks of 20 mg qd (10 mg bid)	Placebo
Choi, 2011* ²²¹ Fair	KOR	Dem	Memantine (20 mg) + Rivastigmine (9.5 mg)	16	Starting at baseline (end of run-in period for rivastigmine, considered as week 0, titrated in 5 mg weekly increments from a starting dose of 5 mg qd to 20 mg qd at week 4. Memantine use concurrent with 10 cm ² (9.5 mg qd) Rivastigmine patch.	
Dysken, 2014* ²² Good	² US	Dem	Memantine (20 mg)	208	Titrated over 4 weeks to maintenance dosage of 10 mg bid.	Placebo
Ferris, 2007 ²²³ Fair	US	MCI	Memantine (20 mg)	12	Titrated from 10 mg (5 mg bid) to 20 mg (10 mg bid) daily over a 1 month period.	/Placebo
Herrmann, 2013* ²²⁴ Fair	CAN	Dem	Memantine (20 mg)	24	Titrated in 5 mg weekly increments from starting dose of 5 mg qd to 20 mg qd beginning at Week 4	Placebo
Orgogozo, 2002 ²²⁵ Fair-Good	BEL, FRA, CHE	Dem	Memantine (20 mg)	28	2-week placebo run-in period. Started at 5 mg qd at week 1, 10 mg qd at week 2, and 15 mg qd at week 3; patients received 20mg qd of memantine for remainder of followup	Placebo
Peskind, 2006 ²²⁶ Fair-Good	US	Dem	Memantine (20 mg)	24	After 7-14 day single-blind placebo lead-in, started at 5 mg qd and titrated in 5-mg weekly increments to final dose of 20 mg qd (administered as two 5-mg tablets bid) on day 22	Placebo
Peters, 2015*227 Fair	DEU	Dem	Memantine (20 mg)	52	Memantine titrated over 4 weeks in steps of 5 mg qd up to 20 mg qd.	Placebo + Galantamine (24 mg qd)
Porsteinsson, 2008 ²²⁸ Good	US	Dem	Memantine (20 mg)	24	20 mg qd (four 5 mg tablets qd at bedtime); initial dose of 5 mg qd titrated in 5 mg weekly increments until reached final dose on day 22. Transient-dose adjustments permitted during weeks 3-8 for subjects with tolerability issues	Placebo
Saxton, 2012 ²²⁹ Good	AUS, NZL, ZAF	Dem	Memantine (20 mg)	12	Titrated in weekly increments of 5 mg reaching maximum target dose of 10 mg bid by week 4.	Placebo

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Author, year	Country	Pop cat	Medication (total daily dose)	Duration, weeks	Intervention details	CG description
Wilcock, 2002 ²³⁰ Fair-Good	GBR	Dem	Memantine (20 mg)	28	Single blind run-in using placebo only for 2 weeks and double-blind treatment phase after randomization (28 weeks). Patients titrated up to daily dose of 20 mg starting at 5 mg daily with weekly increments of 5 mg,	Placebo
Wilkinson, 2012 Fair ²³¹	GBR, FRA, DEU, CHE	Dem	Memantine (20 mg)	52	20 mg qd. Titrated up from 5 mg qd to target dose of 20 mg qd (increased 5 mg qd once a week during a 4 week dose escalation period); mean memantine dose ranging from 8.7-21.6	

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Abbreviations: AUS = Australia; AUT = Austria; BEL = Belgium; bid = twice a day; CAN = Canada; CG = control group; CHE = Switzerland; cm² = square centimeter; CZE = Czech Republic; Dem = Dementia; DEU = Germany; DNK = Denmark; ESP = Spain; EST = Estonia; FIN = Finland; FRA = France; GBR = Great Britain/United Kingdom; GRC = Greece; GTM = Guatemala; HKG = Hong Kong; IG = intervention group; IRL = Ireland; ISR = Israel; ITA = Italy; IU = International Unit; JPN = Japan; KOR = Korea; LVA = Latvia; LTU = Lithuania; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MEX = Mexico; mg = milligram; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; N = number of participants; NLD = Netherlands; NOR = Norway; NZL = New Zealand; PER = Peru; POL = Poland; PRT = Portugal; Pop cat = population category; qd = once a day; ROU = Romania; RUS = Russia; SVK = Slovakia; SVN = Slovenia; SWE = Sweden; tid = three times a day; TWN = Taiwan; UKR = Ukraine; VEN = Venezuela; ZAF = South Africa

Table 12. AChEls and Memantine: Summary of Results, by Medication Type (KQ 4 and 5)

Medication	Author, year Quality	Pop cat		mean	FU (mo.)		Global Cognitive Function	Domain-specific Cognitive Function		Neuro Symptoms	Other
Donepezil	Black, 2003 ¹⁸⁴ Fair-Good			74	6	↑ (CDR-SB)	IG1: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (MMSE) IG2: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (MMSE)		IG1: ↔ (ADL/IADL), ↔ IADL IG2: ↔ (ADL/IADL), ↑ IADL		NR
Donepezil	Burns, 1999 ¹⁸⁵ Fair-Good	Dem	818	72	6	1 \ / /	IG1: ↑ (ADAS-Cog) IG2: ↑ (ADAS-Cog)		IG1: ↑ (ADL/IADL) IG2: ↑ (ADL/IADL)	NR	NR
Donepezil	Doody, 2009 ¹⁸⁶ Fair	MCI	821	70	11	↔ (CIBIC+), ↔ (CDR-SB)	↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE)	↔ (Attention)	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR
Donepezil	Feldman, 2001 ¹⁸⁷ Fair-Good	Dem	291	74	6	↑ (CIBIC+[D])	↑ (MMSE)	NR	↑ (ADL/IADL), ↑ (ADL), ↑ (IADL)	↑	NR
Donepezil	Holmes, 2004 ¹⁸⁸ Fair-Good	Dem	96	79	3	NR	↑ (MMSE)	NR	NR	↑	↑ (CGR Burden)
Donepezil	Ikeda, 2015* ¹⁸⁹ Fair	Dem	142	78	3	NR	IG1: ↑ (MMSE) IG2: ↔ (MMSE)	NR	NR		IG1: ↔ (CGR Burden) IG2: ↔ (CGR Burden)
Donepezil	Krishnan, 2003 ¹⁹⁰ Fair-Good	Dem	67	73	6	NR	↑ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Donepezil	Mazza, 2006 ¹⁹¹ Fair-Good	Dem	76	68	6	↑ (CGI Item 2)	↔ (MMSE)	↑ (Attention)	NR	NR	NR
Donepezil	Mohs, 2001 ¹⁹² Fair	Dem	431	75	12	↑ (CDR/ADL/IADL[D])	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Donepezil	Mori, 2012 ¹⁹³ Fair	Dem	140	79	3		IG2: ↑ (MMSE)	IG1: ↔ (Attention), ↑ (EF), ↔ (Language) IG2: ↑ (Attention), ↑ (EF), ↔ [‡] (Language)	NR	IG3: ↔	IG1: ↑ (CGR Burden) IG2: ↔ (CGR Burden) IG3: ↔ (CGR Burden)

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Medication	Author, year Quality	Pop cat	N rand	Age, mean	FU (mo.)	Global Function	Global Cognitive Function	Domain-specific Cognitive Function	Physical Function	Neuro Symptoms	Other
								IG3: ↑ (Attention), ↔ (EF), ↔ (Language)			
Donepezil	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴ Fair	MCI	769	73	36	↔ (CDR-SB), ↔ [†] (GDS)	↔ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE)	↔ (EF), ↔ [‡] (Language), ↔ [‡] (Memory)	↔ (IADL)	NR	↑ (Dementia Incidence)
Donepezil	Rogers, 1996 ¹⁹⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	161	72	3	$\begin{array}{l} IG1: \leftrightarrow (CDR\text{-SB}) \\ IG2: \leftrightarrow (CDR\text{-SB}) \\ IG3: \leftrightarrow (CDR\text{-SB}) \end{array}$	$IG1: \uparrow (ADAS-Cog),$ $\leftrightarrow (MMSE)$ $IG2: \uparrow (ADAS-Cog),$ $\leftrightarrow (MMSE)$ $IG3: \leftrightarrow (ADAS-Cog),$ $\leftrightarrow (MMSE)$	NR	$\begin{array}{c} IG1: \leftrightarrow (ADL) \\ IG2: \leftrightarrow (ADL) \\ IG3: \leftrightarrow (ADL) \end{array}$	NR	NR
Donepezil	Rogers, 1998 ¹⁹⁵ Fair-Good	Dem	468	74	4	IG1: ↑ (CIBIC+[D]), ↔ (CDR-SB) IG2: ↑ (CIBIC+[D]), ↔ (CDR-SB)	IG1: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (MMSE) IG2: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (MMSE)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Donepezil	Salloway, 2004 ¹⁹⁷ Fair-Good	MCI	270	72	6	↔ (CGIC-MCI [D])	↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (ADAS-Cog [D])	↔ (Attention), ↔ (Memory)	NR	NR	NR
Donepezil	Seltzer, 2004 ¹⁹⁸ Fair-Good	Dem	153	74	6	NR	↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (ADAS-Cog [D]), ↑ (MMSE)	↔ (Memory)	NR	NR	NR
Donepezil	Tune, 2003 ¹⁹⁹ Fair-Good	Dem	28	73	6	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR
Donepezil	Wilkinson, 2003 ²⁰⁰ Fair-Good	Dem	616	75	6	IG1: ↑ (CIBIC+[D]), ↑ (CDR-SB) IG2: ↑ (CIBIC+[D]), ↑ (CDR-SB)	IG1: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (MMSE) IG2: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (MMSE)	NR	IG1: ↔ (ADL/IADL) IG2: ↔ (ADL/IADL)	NR	NR
Donepezil	Winblad, 2001 ²⁰¹ Fair-Good	Dem	286	72	12	↔ (GBS), ↑ (GDS[D])	↑ (MMSE)	NR	↑ (ADL/IADL)	NR	NR
Galantamine	Auchus, 2007 ²⁰² Fair	Dem	788	72	6	↔ (CIBIC+[D])	↑ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL))NR	NR
Galantamine	Brodaty, 2005 ²⁰³ Fair-Good	Dem	971	76	6	IG1: ↑ (CIBIC+[D]) IG2: ↔ (CIBIC+[D])		NR	IG1: ↑ (ADL/IADL) IG2: ↑ (ADL/IADL)	IG1: ↔ IG2: ↔	NR

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Medication	Author,	Pop	N		FU	Global Function	Global Cognitive		Physical	Neuro	Other
	year Quality	cat	rand	mean	(mo.)		Function	Cognitive Function	Function	Symptoms	
Galantamine	Erkinjuntti, 2002 ²⁰⁴ Fair-Good	Dem	592	75	6	↑ (CIBIC+[D])	↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (ADAS-Cog [D])	NR	↑ (ADL/IADL)	↑	NR
Galantamine		Dem	2051	73	12	NR	↑ (MMSE)	NR	↑ (ADL/IADL)	NR	NR
Galantamine	Raskind, 2000 ²⁰⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	636	75	6	IG1: ↑ (CIBIC+[D]) IG2: ↔ (CIBIC+[D])	IG1: ↑ (ADAS-Cog) IG2: ↑ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Galantamine	Rockwood 2001 ²⁰⁸ Fair-Good	,Dem	386	75	3	↑ (CIBIC+[D])	↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (ADAS-Cog [D])	NR	↑ (ADL/IADL)	\leftrightarrow	NR
Galantamine	Rockwood 2006 ²⁰⁷ Fair	, Dem	130	78	4	↔ (CIBIC+)	↑ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)		NR
Galantamine	Tariot, 2000 ²⁰⁹ Fair-Good	Dem	978	77	5	↑ (CIBIC+[D])	IG1: \uparrow (ADAS-Cog), \uparrow (ADAS-Cog [D]) IG2: \uparrow (ADAS-Cog), \uparrow (ADAS-Cog [D]) IG3: \leftrightarrow (ADAS-Cog [D]) \leftrightarrow (ADAS-Cog [D])	NR	IG1: ↑ (ADL/IADL) IG2: ↑ (ADL/IADL) IG3: ↔ (ADL/IADL)	IG1: ↑ IG2: ↑ IG3: ↔	IG1: ↔ (CGR Burden) IG2: ↔ (CGR Burden) IG3: ↔ (CGR Burden)
Galantamine	Wilcock, 2000 ²¹⁰ Fair-Good	Dem	653	72	6	IG1: ↑ (CIBIC+[D]) IG2: ↑ (CIBIC+[D])	IG1: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (ADAS-Cog [D]) IG2: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (ADAS-Cog [D])	NR	IG1: ↔ (ADL/IADL) IG2: ↑ (ADL/IADL)	NR	NR
Galantamine	Wilkinson, 2001 ²¹¹ Fair-Good		285		3	↔ (CIBIC+)	IG1: ↑ (ADAS-Cog) IG2: ↔ (ADAS-Cog) IG3: ↔ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	IG1: ↔ (ADL/IADL [D]) IG2: ↔ (ADL/IADL [D]) IG3: ↔ (ADL/IADL [D]) IG3: ↔ (ADL/IADL [D])	NR	NR
Rivastigmine	Agid, 1998 ²¹² Fair-Good	Dem	402	69	3	NR	IG1: ↑ (MMSE) IG2: ↑ (MMSE)	IG1: $\leftrightarrow^{\ddagger}$ (Attention), $\leftrightarrow^{\ddagger}$ (Memory) IG2: \leftrightarrow (Attention), $\leftrightarrow^{\ddagger}$ (Memory)	$IG1: \leftrightarrow (ADL),$ $\leftrightarrow (IADL)$ $IG2: \leftrightarrow (ADL),$ $\leftrightarrow (IADL)$	NR	NR

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	Author, year Quality	Pop cat	N rand	Age, mean	FU (mo.)		Global Cognitive Function	Domain-specific Cognitive Function	,	Neuro Symptoms	Other
	Ballard, 2008 ²¹³ Fair		710	73	6	↔ (CIBIC+), ↔ (GDS)	↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)		NR
	Corey- Bloom, 1998 ²¹⁴ Fair-Good	Dem	699	74	6	$\begin{array}{l} IG1: \leftrightarrow (CIBIC+[D]), \\ \uparrow (GDS) \\ IG2: \leftrightarrow (CIBIC+[D]), \\ \leftrightarrow (GDS) \end{array}$	$IG1: \uparrow (ADAS-Cog),$ $\leftrightarrow (ADAS-Cog [D]), \uparrow$ (MMSE) $IG2: \leftrightarrow (ADAS-Cog),$ $\leftrightarrow (MMSE)$	NR		NR	NR
	Feldman, 2007 ²¹⁵ Fair	Dem	678	71	6	$\begin{array}{l} IG1:\uparrow(CIBIC+[D]),\\ \leftrightarrow(GDS)\\ IG2:\leftrightarrow(CIBIC+[D]),\\ \leftrightarrow(GDS) \end{array}$	IG1: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (ADAS-Cog [D]), \leftrightarrow (MMSE) IG2: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), \leftrightarrow (ADAS-Cog [D]), \leftrightarrow (MMSE)		IG1: ↔ (ADL/IADL) IG2: ↔ (ADL/IADL)	NR	NR
	McKeith, 2000 ²¹⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	120	74	5	NR	↔ (MMSE)	NR	NR	1	NR
	Mok, 2007 ²¹⁷ Fair	Dem	40	75	6	↔ (CDR-SB)	↔ (MMSE)	↔ (EF)	↔ (IADL)	\leftrightarrow	↔ (Anxiety)
Rivastigmine	Rosler, 1999 ²¹⁸ Fair-Good	Dem	725	72	6	IG1: ↑ (CIBIC+[D]), ↑ (GDS) IG2: ↔ (CIBIC+[D]), ↔ (GDS)	IG1: \uparrow (ADAS-Cog), \uparrow (ADAS-Cog [D]), \uparrow (MMSE) IG2: \leftrightarrow (ADAS-Cog), \leftrightarrow (ADAS-Cog [D]), \leftrightarrow (MMSE)	NR		NR	NR
	Winblad, 2007 ²¹⁹ Fair	Dem	1195	74	6	$IG2: \leftrightarrow (CIBIC+[D])$	IG1: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑	(EF) IG2: ↑ (Attention), ↔ (EF) IG3: ↑ (Attention), ↔	(ADL/IADL) IG2: ↑ (ADL/IADL)	IG1: ↔ IG2: ↔ IG3: ↔	NR
	Bakchine, 2008 ²²⁰ Good	Dem	470	74	6	↔ (CIBIC+)	↔ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	\leftrightarrow	NR
	Choi, 2011* ²²¹ Fair	Dem	172	75	4	↔ (CDR-SB)	\leftrightarrow (ADAS-Cog), \leftrightarrow (MMSE)	↔ (EF)	↔ (ADL/IADL)	\leftrightarrow	NR

Table 12. AChEIs and Memantine: Summary of Results, by Medication Type (KQ 4 and 5)

Medication		Pop cat	N rand	Age, mean		Global Function	Global Cognitive Function	Domain-specific Cognitive Function	Physical Function	Neuro Symptoms	Other
Memantine	Dysken, 2014* ²²² Good	Dem	613	79	48	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE)		↔ (ADL/IADL))↔	NR
Memantine	Ferris, 2007 ²²³ Fair	MCI	60	67	3	NR	NR	↔ (Attention), ↔ (Memory)	NR	NR	NR
Memantine	Herrmann, 2013* ²²⁴ Fair	Dem	369	75	6	NR	↔ (SIB)	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	↔ (Institutionalization)
Memantine	Orgogozo, 2002 ²²⁵ Fair-Good	Dem	321	76	6	\leftrightarrow (ADCS-CGIC), \leftrightarrow (CIBIC+[D]), \leftrightarrow (GBS)	↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL), ↔ (IADL)	NR	NR
Memantine	Peskind, 2006 ²²⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	403	78	6	↑ (CIBIC+)	↑ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	1	NR
Memantine	Peters, 2015* ²²⁷ Fair	Dem	226	72	12	↔ (CDR-SB)	↔ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	\longleftrightarrow	NR
Memantine	Porsteinss on, 2008 ²²⁸ Good		433	75	6	↔ (CIBIC+)	\leftrightarrow (ADAS-Cog), \leftrightarrow (MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	\longleftrightarrow	NR
Memantine	Saxton, 2012 ²²⁹ Good	Dem	265	75	3	↔ (ADCS-CGIC[D])	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Memantine	Wilcock, 2002 ²³⁰ Fair-Good	Dem	579	77	6	NR	↑ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Memantine	Wilkinson, 2012 ²³¹ Fair			74	12	NR	↑ (MMSE)	↔ [‡] (EF), ↑ (Language)	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR

NOTE: Arrows represent study-reported results.

Symbol Legend:

- ↑ = Statistically significant between-group difference in favor of intervention group

 ↔ = No statistically significant difference between groups or no clear between-group difference (not reported).

- † Results are statistically significant for at least one timepoint
- ‡ Mixed results from multiple tests assessing same cognitive domain

^{*} New study

Table 12. AChEIs and Memantine: Summary of Results, by Medication Type (KQ 4 and 5)

Abbreviations: ADL = Activities of Daily Living; ADAS-Cog = Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; ADCS-CGIC = Alzheimer's Disease Cooperative Stud – Clinical Global Impression of Change scale; CIBIC+ = Clinician's Interview-Based Impression of Change with caregiver's input; CDR-SB = Clinical Dementia Rating Scale Sum of Boxes; CGI = Clinical Global Impression scale; CGR = caregiver; D = dichotomized; Dem = dementia; EF = executive functioning; FU = followup; GBS = Gottfries-Brane-Steen scale; GDS = Global Deterioration Scale; IADL = Instrumental Activities of Daily Living; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; mo. = months; NR = not reported; Pop cat = population category

Table 13. Other Medications and Supplements: Study Characteristics, by Agent (KQ 4 and 5)

Medication	Medication	Author, year	Quality	Country	N	Population	Baseline MMSE,	Age, mean	Female, %
type		(Study name)			randomized		mean		
Antihypertensive	Discontinuation of	Moonen, 2015*235	Fair	NLD	385	MCI	26 [†]	81	59
	antihypertensive	(DANTE)							
HMG-CoA	Atorvastatin	Feldman, 2010 ²³⁶	Fair	US	640	Dem	22.0	74	52
reductase		(LEADe)							
inhibitor									
HMG-CoA	Simvastatin	Sano, 2011 ²³⁷	Fair	US	406	Dem	20.4	75	59
reductase									
inhibitor									
HMG-CoA	Simvastatin	Simons, 2002 ²³⁸	Fair	DEU	44	Dem	17.5	68	55
reductase									
inhibitor									
HMG-CoA	Atorvastatin	Sparks, 2005 ²³⁹	Fair	US	63	Dem	20.8	78	36
reductase		(Alzheimer's Disease							
inhibitor		Cholesterol-Lowering							
		Treatment (ADCLT)							
		trial)							
NSAID	Naproxen	Aisen, 2003 ²⁴⁰	Good	US	229	Dem	20.9	74	53
NSAID	Indomethacin	de Jong, 2008 ²⁴¹	Fair	NLD	51	Dem	19.6	72	65
NSAID	lbuprofen	Pasqualetti, 2009 ²⁴²	Fair	ITA	132	Dem	20.0	74	63
NSAID	Celecoxib	Soininen, 2007 ²⁴³	Fair	US, GBR,	425	Dem	19.7	74	55
				AUS, BEL,					
				FIN, FRA,					
				DEU, NLD					
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2000 ²⁴⁵	Fair	US	42	Dem	19.5	78	100
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2015*244	Good	US	42	Dem	20.3	76	100
Gonadal steroid	Testosterone	Lu, 2006 ²⁴⁶	Fair	US	18	Dem	22.0	70	0
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Mulnard, 2000 ²⁴⁷	Fair	US	120	Dem	20.7	75	100
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen plus	Valen-Sendstad,	Fair	NOR	65	Dem	21.9	81	100
	progestin	2010 ²⁴⁸							
Gonadal steroid		Wang, 2000 ²⁴⁹	Fair	TWN	50	Dem	16.2	72	100
Dietary	B vitamins (including	Aisen, 2008 ²⁵⁰	Good	US	409	Dem	21.0	76	56
supplement	folic acid)								
Dietary	B vitamins (including	Connelly, 2008 ²⁵¹	Fair	GBR	57	Dem	24.0	76	71
supplement	folic acid)							<u> </u>	
Dietary	B vitamins (including	de Jager, 2012 ²⁵²	Fair	GBR	271	MCI	NR	77	64
supplement	folic acid)	(VITACOG)							
Dietary	Vitamin É	Dysken, 2014*222	Good	US	613	Dem	21.0	79	3
supplement		(TEAM-AD VA)							

Table 13. Other Medications and Supplements: Study Characteristics, by Agent (KQ 4 and 5)

Medication type	Medication	Author, year (Study name)	Quality	Country	N randomized	Population	Baseline MMSE, mean	Age, mean	Female, %
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Freund-Levi, 2006 ²⁵³	Fair	SWE	204	Dem	23.4	74	54
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Kwok, 2011 ²⁵⁴	Fair	HKG	140	Dem	16.6	78	64
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴	Fair	US, CAN	769	MCI	27.3	73	46
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Phillips, 2015* ²⁵⁵	Fair	GBR	76	MCI + Dem	NR	71	55
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Quinn, 2010 ²⁵⁶	Fair	US	402	Dem	20.7	76	52
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Sano, 1997 ²⁵⁷	Good	US	169	Dem	12.3	73	66
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 and LA	Shinto, 2014* ²⁵⁸	Fair	US	39	Dem	21.8	76	44
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids - DHA	Sinn, 2012 ²⁵⁹	Fair	AUS	54	MCI	27.2	74	32
Dietary supplement	Multivitamin	Sun, 2007 ²⁶⁰	Fair	JPN	89	Dem	18.7	75	49
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Yurko-Mauro, 2010 ²⁶¹	Good	US	485	MCI	28.2	70	58

^{*} New Study

Abbreviations: AUS = Australia; AUT = Austria; BEL = Belgium; CAN = Canada; CHE = Switzerland; CZE = Czech Republic; Dem = Dementia; DEU = Germany; DNK = Denmark; ESP = Spain; EST = Estonia; FIN = Finland; FRA = France; GBR = Great Britain/United Kingdom; GRC = Greece; GTM = Guatemala; HKG = Hong Kong; IRL = Ireland; ISR = Israel; ITA = Italy; JPN = Japan; KOR = Korea; LEADe = Lipitor's Effect in Alzheimer's; Dementia; LVA = Latvia; LTU = Lithuania; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MEX = Mexico; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; N = number of participants; NLD = Netherlands; NOR = Norway; NR = not reported; NZL = New Zealand; PER = Peru; POL = Poland; PRT = Portugal; ROU = Romania; RUS = Russia; SVK = Slovakia; SVN = Slovenia; SWE = Sweden; TWN = Taiwan; UKR = Ukraine; VEN = Venezuela; ZAF = South Africa

[†] Median

Table 14. Other Medications and Supplements: Intervention Characteristics, by Agent (KQ 4 and 5)

Author, year Quality	Country	Pop cat	Medication (total daily dose)	Duration, weeks	Intervention details	CG description
Moonen, 2015* ²³⁵ Fair	NLD	MCI	Discontinuation of antihypertensive treatment	16	During a 6-week period after randomization, the discontinuation of antihypertensive treatment according to an algorithm composed by the investigators; and until a maximum increase of 20 mm Hg in SBP was reached. Treatment was restarted when DBP was 120 mm	Usual care (continuation of anti- hypertensive treatment)
Feldman, 2010 ²³⁶ Fair	US	Dem	Atorvastatin (80 mg)	72	80 mg qd and donepezil 10 mg qd	Placebo + donepezil (10 mg qd)
Sano, 2011 ²³⁷ Fair	US	Dem	Simvastatin (40 mg)	78	Started at 20 mg qd of simvastatin for 6 weeks and increased to 40-mg qd for remainder of 18-month study.	Placebo
Simons, 2002 ²³⁸ Fair	DEU	Dem	Simvastatin (80 mg)	26	40 mg qd for 4 weeks; 80 mg qd for rest of the study	Placebo
Sparks, 2005 ²³⁹ Fair	US	Dem	Atorvastatin (80 mg)	52	80 mg qd (given two 40 mg tablets qd)	Placebo
Aisen, 2003 ²⁴⁰ Good	US	Dem	Naproxen (440 mg)	52	220 mg bid	Placebo
de Jong, 2008 ²⁴¹ Fair	NLD	Dem	Indomethacin (100 mg)	52	50 mg bid and omeprazole 20 mg qd	Placebo bid + omeprazole (20 mg qd)
Pasqualetti, 2009 ²⁴² Fair	ITA	Dem	lbuprofen (800 mg)	52	400 mg bid	Placebo + esomeprazole (20 mg) placebo
Soininen, 2007 ²⁴³ Fair	US, GBR, AUS, BEL, FIN, FRA, DEU, NLD		Celecoxib (400 mg)	52	200 mg bid	Placebo
Henderson, 2000 ²⁴⁵ Fair	US	Dem	Estrogen (1.25 mg)	16	Given daily as a single oral tablet of 1.25 mg for 16 weeks.	Placebo
Henderson, 2015* ²⁴⁴ Good	US	Dem	Estrogen (120 mg)	52	Started at two 60-mg tablets qd and continued through the end of the study.	Placebo

Table 14. Other Medications and Supplements: Intervention Characteristics, by Agent (KQ 4 and 5)

Author, year Quality	Country	Pop cat	Medication (total daily dose)	Duration, weeks	Intervention details	CG description
Lu, 2006 ²⁴⁶ Fair	US	Dem	Testosterone (75 mg)	24	Applied three packets of 25 mg of T-gel on three different sites in the morning after showering or bathing for total dose of 75 mg.	Placebo
Mulnard, 2000 ²⁴⁷ Fair	US	Dem	IG1: Estrogen (0.625 mg) IG2: Estrogen (1.24 mg)	52	IG1: Given one 0.625 mg and one identical placebo tablet qd for 12 months followed by a 3 month single-blind placebo washout period IG2: Given two 0.625 mg tablets qd for 12 months followed by a 3 month single-blind placebo washout period	Placebo
Valen- Sendstad, 2010 ²⁴⁸ Fair	NOR	Dem	Estrogen plus progestin (1.5 mg)	52	Given 1 tablet containing 1 mg of estradiol and 0.5 mg norethisterone qd	Placebo
Wang, 2000 ²⁴⁹ Fair	TWN	Dem	Estrogen (1.25 mg)	12	Given 1.25 mg of conjugated estrogen (Premarin); taken orally qd	Placebo
Aisen, 2008 ²⁵⁰ Good	US	Dem	B vitamins (including folic acid) (31 mg)	78	31 mg qd for 78 weeks	Placebo
Connelly, 2008 ²⁵¹ Fair	GBR	Dem	B vitamins (including folic acid) (1 mg)	26	1 mg qd combined with AChEI of clinician's choice	Placebo and AChEI of clinician's choice
de Jager, 2012 ²⁵² Fair	GBR	MCI	B vitamins (including folic acid) (0.8 mg folic acid, 0.5 mg cyanocobalamin and 20 mg pyridoxine HCl)	104	NR	Placebo
Dysken, 2014* ²²² Good	US	Dem	Vitamin E (2000 IU)	208	Alpha tocopherol at 1000 IU bid. Memantine placebo was titrated over 4 weeks.	Placebo
Freund-Levi, 2006 ²⁵³ Fair	SWE	Dem	Omega-3 fatty acids (4 g)	26	Four 1g capsules qd	Isocaloric placebo oil (1 g corn oil, 0.6 g linoleic acid); vitamin E 4 mg added to each packet.
Kwok, 2011 ²⁵⁴ Fair	HKG	Dem	B vitamins (including folic acid) (6 mg)	104		Placebo
Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴ Fair	US, CAN	MCI	Vitamin E (2000 IU) and multivitamin	36	Started at 1000 IU qd, then increased to 2000 IU (1000 IU bid) after 6 weeks	Placebo + multivitamin containing 15 IU vitamin E

Table 14. Other Medications and Supplements: Intervention Characteristics, by Agent (KQ 4 and 5)

Author, year Quality	Country	Pop cat	, , ,	Duration, weeks	Intervention details	CG description
Phillips, 2015* ²⁵⁵ Fair	GBR	MCI + Dem	Omega-3 fatty acids (625 mg DHA + 600 mg EPA)		Started at a total of 625 mg of DHA and 600 mg of EPA	Placebo
Quinn, 2010 ²⁵⁶ Fair	US	Dem	Omega-3 fatty acids (2 g)	78	1 g bid	Placebo
Sano, 1997 Good	US	Dem	Vitamin E (1.818 g)	104	0.909 g bid	Placebo
Shinto, 2014* ²⁵⁸ Fair	US	Dem	IG1: Omega-3 fatty acids (675 mg DHA + 975 mg EPA)	52	IG1: Fish oil concentrate containing a daily dose of 675 mg DHA + 975 mg EPA	Placebo
Sinn, 2012 ²⁵⁹ Fair	AUS	MCI	IG1: Omega-3 fatty acids – DHA (1.95 g) IG2: Omega-3 fatty acids – EPA (1.83 g)	26	IG1: 1.95 g qd IG2: 1.83 g qd	Placebo (safflower oil containing 2.2 g linoleic acid qd)
Sun, 2007 ²⁶⁰ Fair	JPN		Multivitamin (Mecobalamin [0.5 mg] + multivitamin supplement that contained folic acid, pyridoxine HCI, ferrous [60 mg], nicotinamide [10 mg], calcium carbonate [250 mg], riboflavin [2 mg], thiamine mononitrate [3 mg], calcium pantothenate [1 mg], ascorbic acid [100 mcg], iodine [100 mcg], copper [150 mcg], vitamin B12 [3 mcg], vitamin A (4,000 IU) and vitamin D3 [400 IU])	26	To be taken after breakfast.	Placebo
Yurko- Mauro, 2010 ²⁶¹ Good	US	MCI	47	24	900 mg qd	Placebo

^{*} New Study

Abbreviations: AChEI = acetyl-cholinesterase-inhibitor; AUS = Australia; BEL = Belgium; bid = twice a day; CAN = Canada; CG = control group; cm² = square centimeter; DBP = diastolic blood pressure; Dem = Dementia; DEU = Germany; DHA = docosahexaenoic acid; EPA = eicosapentaenoic acid; FIN = Finland; FRA = France; g = grams; GBR = Great Britain/United Kingdom; HKG = Hong Kong; IG = intervention group; ITA = Italy; IU = International Unit; JPN = Japan; KOR = Korea; LVA = Latvia; LTU = Lithuania; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; mcg = microgram; mg = milligram; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; N = number of participants; NLD = Netherlands; NOR = Norway; Pop cat = population category; qd = once a day; SBP = systolic blood pressure; SWE = Sweden; tid = three times a day; TWN = Taiwan

Table 15. Other Medications and Supplements: Summary of Results, by Agent (KQ 4 and 5)

Medication type	Medication	Author, year Quality	_		0 /		Global Function	Global Cognitive Function	Domain- specific Cognitive Function		Neuro Symptoms	Other
Antihypertensive	Discontinuation of antihypertensive	2015* ²³⁵	MCI	385	81	4	NR	↔ (MMSE)	↔ (EF, Memory)	↔ (ADL/IADL)	↔ (Dep)	↔ (QOL)
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin	Feldman, 2010 ²³⁶ Fair	Dem	640	74	18	↔ (CIBIC+, CDR-SB)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	↔ (NPS)	NR
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin	Sano, 2011 ²³⁷ Fair	Dem	406	75	18	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	↔ (NPS)	NR
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin	Simons, 2002 ²³⁸ Fair	Dem	44	68	6	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11), ↑ (MMSE)	NR	NR	NR	NR
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin	Sparks, 2005 ²³⁹ Fair	Dem	63	78	12	↔ (CIBIC+)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	↑ (Dep)	NR
NSAID	Naproxen	Aisen, 2003 ²⁴⁰ Good	Dem	229	74	12	↔ (CDR-SB)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	↔ (NPS)	↔ (QOL)
NSAID	Indomethacin	de Jong, 2008 ²⁴¹ Fair	Dem	51	72	12	↔ (CIBIC+)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, MMSE)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	↔ (CGR Burden)
NSAID	lbuprofen	Pasqualetti, 2009 ²⁴² Fair	Dem	132	74	12	↔ (CDR-SB, CIBIC+)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, MMSE)	NR		↔ (Dep, NPS)	
NSAID	Celecoxib	Soininen, 2007 ²⁴³ Fair	Dem	425	74	6	↔ (CIBIC+)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, ADAS-Cog 11 [D], MMSE)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	↔ (QOL)
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2000 ²⁴⁵ Fair	Dem	42	78	4	↔ (CIBIC+, CIBIC+ [D])	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, ADAS-Cog 11 [D])	↔ (Attention), ↑ (EF), ↔* (Memory)	↔ (IADL)	↔ (Dep)	NR

Table 15. Other Medications and Supplements: Summary of Results, by Agent (KQ 4 and 5)

Medication type	Medication	Author, year Quality			0 /		Global Function	Global Cognitive Function	Domain- specific Cognitive Function		Neuro Symptoms	Other
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2015* ²⁴⁴ Good	Dem	42	76	12	↔ (CDR, CDR-SB)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, MMSE)	 ↔ (Attention, EF, Language), ↔* (Memory) 	↔ (ADL/IADL)	↔ (NPS)	↔ (CGR Burden)
Gonadal steroid	Testosterone	Lu, 2006 ²⁴⁶ Fair	Dem	18	70	6	↔ (CIBIC+)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11)	↔ (EF, Memory)	NR	↔ (Dep, NPS)	↔ (QOL)
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Mulnard, 2000 ²⁴⁷ Fair	Dem	120	75	12	IG1: ↓ (CDR), ↔ (CIBIC+, CIBIC+ [D]) IG1: ↓ (CDR), ↔ (CIBIC+, CIBIC+ [D])	IG1: ↔ (ADAS- Cog 11, MMSE) IG2: ↔ (ADAS- Cog 11, MMSE)	IG1: ↔ (Attention, Language, Memory) IG2: ↔ (Attention, Language, Memory)	↔ (ADL)	↔ (Dep)	NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen plus progestin	Valen- Sendstad, 2010 ²⁴⁸ Fair	Dem	65	81	12	lG1: ↔ (GDS)	↔ (MMSE)	↔ (Attention, Language, Memory)	↔ (ADL)	↔ (Dep)	NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Wang, 2000 ²⁴⁹ Fair	Dem	50	72	3	↔ (CDR, CIBIC+)	↔ (MMSE)	NR	NR	↔ (Anx, Dep, NPS)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Aisen, 2008 ²⁵⁰ Good	Dem	409	76	18	↔ (CDR-SB)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	↔ (NPS)	↔ (QOL)
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Connelly, 2008 ²⁵¹ Fair	Dem	57	76	6	↑ (Unspecified [D])	↔ (MMSE)	↔ (Attention)	↑ (IADL)	NR	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	de Jager, 2012 ²⁵² Fair	MCI			24	NR	NR	↑ (EF) ↔ (Language, Memory)	NR	↔ (Dep)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Dysken, 2014* ²²² Good	Dem	613	79	48	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, MMSE)	NR	↑ (ADL/IADL)	↔ (NPS)	NR

Table 15. Other Medications and Supplements: Summary of Results, by Agent (KQ 4 and 5)

Medication type	Medication	Author, year Quality			-		Global Function	Global Cognitive Function			Neuro Symptoms	Other
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Freund-Levi, 2006 ²⁵³ Fair	Dem		74	6	↔ (CDR, CDR-SB)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 13, MMSE)	NR		↔ (Dep, NPS)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Kwok, 2011 ²⁵⁴ Fair	Dem	140	78	24	NR	↔ (MDRS, MMSE)	↔ (Attention, EF, Memory)		↔ (Dep, NPS)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴ Fair	MCI	769	73	36	↔ (CDR-SB, ↔ GDS)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, ADAS-Cog 13, MMSE)	↔* (EF, Language) ↔ (Memory)	↔ (IADL)	NR	↔ (Dementia Incidence)
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Phillips, 2015* ²⁵⁵ Fair	MCI + Dem	76	71	4	NR	NR		↔ (ADL/IADL)	↔ (Dep)	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Quinn, 2010 ²⁵⁶ Fair	Dem	402	76	18	↔ (CDR-SB)	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	↔ (NPS)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Sano, 1997 ²⁵⁷ Good	Dem	169	73	24	↔ (CDR [D])	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, MMSE)	NR	↑ (ADL [D])	NR	↔ (Institutionalization)
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 and LA	Shinto, 2014* ²⁵⁸ Fair	Dem	39	76	12	NR	IG1: \leftrightarrow (ADAS- Cog 11), \leftrightarrow (MMSE) IG2: \leftrightarrow (ADAS- Cog 11), ↑ (MMSE)	NR	IG1: ↔ (ADL), ↑ (IADL) IG2: ↔ (ADL), ↑ (IADL)		NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids - DHA	Sinn, 2012 ²⁵⁹ Fair	MCI	54	74	6	NR	NR	IG1: ↔ (Attention, Language), ↔* (EF) IG2: ↔ (Attention, EF, Language)		IG1: ↑ (Dep) IG2: ↑ (Dep)	↔ (QOL)
Dietary supplement	Multivitamin	Sun, 2007 ²⁶⁰ Fair	Dem	89	75	6	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog 11, MMSE)	↔* (Memory)	↔ (ADL, IADL)	NR	NR

Table 15. Other Medications and Supplements: Summary of Results, by Agent (KQ 4 and 5)

Medication	Medication	Author, year	Pop	N	Age,	FU	Global	Global	Domain-	Physical	Neuro	Other
type		Quality	cat	rand	mean	(mo.)	Function	Cognitive	specific	Function	Symptoms	
								Function	Cognitive			
									Function			
Dietary	Omega-3 fatty	Yurko-	MCI	485	70	6	NR	↔ (MMSE)	↑ (EF), ↔*	\leftrightarrow (ADL)	↔ (Dep)	NR
supplement	acids	Mauro,							(Memory)			
		2010 ²⁶¹										
		Good										

NOTE: Arrows represent study-reported results.

Symbol Legend:

- \uparrow = Statistically significant between-group difference in favor of intervention group
- \leftrightarrow = No statistically significant difference between groups or no clear between-group difference (not reported).
- ↓= Statistically significant between-group difference in favor of control group

Abbreviations: ADAS-Cog 11 = Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; 11-item; ADAS-Cog 13 = Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; 13-item; ADL = Activities of Daily Living; Anx = anxiety; CDR = Clinical Dementia Rating Scale; CDR-SB = Clinical Dementia Rating Scale Sum of Boxes; CIBIC+ = Clinician's Interview-Based Impression of Change with caregiver's input; D = dichotomized; Dem = dementia; Dep = depression; DHA = docosahexaenoic acid; EF = executive functioning; FU = followup; GDS = global deterioration scale; HMG-CoA = β-Hydroxy β-methylglutaryl-CoA; IADL = Instrumental Activities of Daily Living; IG = intervention group; LA = linoleic acid; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; NPS = Composite neuropsychiatric symptoms; NR = not reported; N rand = number of participants randomized; NSAID = Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drug; Pop cat = population category; QOL = quality of life

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Author, year (Study name)	Quality	Country	N rand	Population	Baseline MMSE, mean	Age, mean	Female, %	AChEI or memantine use, %
Cognitive Stimulation,								,
Training, and Rehabilitation								
Amieva, 2016* ²⁷⁵ (ETNA3)	Good	FRA	481	Dem	21.5	79	58	88
Belleville, 2018 ²⁸⁹ (MEMO+)	Fair	CAN	145	MCI	NR	72	55	NR
Bergamaschi, 2013* ²⁸⁰	Fair	ITA	32	Dem	21.1	78	NR	100
Buschert, 2011 ²⁶⁹	Fair	DEU	39	MCI + Dem	26.4	73	51	41
Cahn-Weiner, 2003 ²⁶⁷	Fair	US	34	Dem	24.7	77	59	100
Cavallo, 2016* ²⁸⁴	Good	ITA	80	Dem	22.9	76	64	92
Chapman, 2004 ²⁶⁶	Fair	US	54	Dem	20.9	76	54	NR
Cove, 2014* ²⁷⁷	Fair	GBR	68	Dem	22.6	77	47	57
Fiatarone Singh, 2014*278 (SMART[a])	Fair	AUS	78	MCI	27.0	70	68	NR
Greenaway, 2012 ²⁷¹	Fair	US	40	MCI	26.8	72	61	NR
Herrera, 2012* ²⁸¹	Fair	FRA	22	MCI	27.3	77	50	NR
Hyer, 2016* ²⁸⁵	Fair	US	77	MCI	26	75	53	0
Jelcic, 2012*282	Fair	ITA	40	Dem	24.7	82	82	0
Jeong, 2016*274	Fair	KOR	293	MCI	25.7	70	63	34
Kallio, 2018 ²⁸⁸ (FINCOG)	Fair	FIN	147	Dem	20.5	83	72	83
Kinsella, 2009 ²⁶⁴	Fair	AUS	54	MCI	26.0	77	57	NR
Kurz, 2012 ²⁷² (CORDIAL)	Fair	DEU	201	Dem	25.1	74	44	NR
Nousia, 2018 ²⁸⁶	Fair	GRC	50	Dem	NR	76	72	NR
Olazaran, 2004 ²⁶⁵	Fair	ESP	84	MCI + Dem	NR	74	60	100
Orrell, 2014* ²⁷⁹	Good	GBR	236	Dem	17.8	83	64	32
Orrell, 2017* ²⁷³	Good	GBR	356	Dem	21.2	78	46	76
Pantoni, 2017 (RehAtt) ²⁸⁷	Fair	ITA	46	MCI	26.4	75	35	0
Quayhagen, 1995 ²⁷⁰	Fair	US	63	Dem	NR	74	35	NR
Rapp, 2002 ²⁶⁸	Fair	US	19	MCI	27.6	74	58	0
Troyer, 2008 ²⁶²	Fair	CAN	54	MCI	27.9	75	54	NR
Tsantali, 2017* ²⁸³	Fair	GRC	63	Dem	22.9	74	NR	100
Tsolaki, 2011 ²⁶³	Fair	GRC	196	MCI	27.9	68	72	0
Vidovich, 2015*276 (PACE)	Good	AUS	160	MCI	NR	75	54	NR
Exercise Interventions								
Baker, 2010 ²⁹⁶	Fair	US	33	MCI	27.4	70	52	NR
Blumenthal, 2018 ³⁰⁷ (ENLIGHTEN)	Fair	US	160	MCI	NR	65	66	NR
Dawson, 2016* ³⁰⁵	Fair	US	26	Dem	20.8	74	56	NR
Doi, 2017* ³⁰⁴	Good	JPN	134	MCI	25.9	76	48	0

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Ho, 2018 ³⁰⁸	Fair	HKG	204	MCI + Dem	NR	79	82	NR
Hoffmann, 2016*302 (ADEX)	Good	DNK	200	Dem	23.9	70	56	96
Holthoff, 2015*303	Fair	DEU	30	Dem	22.0	72	50	100
Hong, 2017*300	Fair	KOR	25	MCI	NR	77	64	NR
Karssemeijer, 2019 ³¹⁰	Fair	NLD	115	Dem	22.4	80	46	21
Lam, 2011 ²⁹³	Fair	HKG	389	MCI	24.5	78	76	NR
Lamb, 2018 ³⁰⁶ (DAPA)	Good	GBR	494	Dem	21.9	77	61	55
Lautenschlager, 2008 ²⁹² (FAB)	Good	AUS	170	MCI	NR	68	51	NR
Lazarou, 2017* ²⁹⁹	Fair	GRC	154	MCI	27.2	67	78	NR
Liu-Ambrose, 2016* ²⁹¹ (PROMOTE)	Fair	CAN	70	Dem	26.4	74	51	NR
Morris, 2017* ³⁰¹ (ADEPT)	Good	US	76	MCI + Dem	25.4	73	51	NR
Pitkälä, 2013* ²⁹⁰ (FINALEX)	Good	FIN	210	Dem	18.0	78	39	96
Schwenk, 2010 ²⁹⁴	Fair	DEU	61	Dem	21.4	82	64	NR
Siu, 2018 ³⁰⁹	Fair	HKG	160	MCI	25.0	NR	74	0
Suzuki. 2012 ²⁹⁷	Fair	JPN	50	MCI	26.7	76	46	NR
Venturelli, 2010 ²⁹⁵	Fair	ITA	30	MCI + Dem	NR	84	NR	NR NR
Vreugdenhil, 2012 ²⁹⁸	Fair	AUS	40	Dem	22.0	74	60	63
Multicomponent and Other	ı alı	A03	40	Dem	22.0	7 -	00	03
Interventions								
Bae, 2019 ³²⁰	Fair	JPN	83	MCI	26.9	76	48	NR
Bellantonio, 2008 ³¹¹	Fair	US	100	Dem	14.8	82	63	NR
Belleville, 2018 ²⁸⁹ (MEMO+)	Fair	CAN	145	MCI	NR	72	55	NR
Blumenthal, 2018 ³⁰⁷ (ENLIGHTEN)	Fair	US	160	MCI	NR	65	66	NR
Burgener, 2008 ³¹²	Fair	US	43	Dem	24.0	77	46	NR
Jha, 2013* ³¹⁶	Fair	GBR	48	MCI + Dem	22.0	79	67	NR
Karssemeijer, 2019 ³¹⁰	Fair	NLD	115	Dem	22.4	80	46	21
Marshall, 2015* ³¹⁵ (Living Well with Dementia)		GBR	58	Dem	23.0	76	57	81
Quinn, 2016*314 (SMART[b])	Good	GBR	24	Dem	23.6	76	25	NR
Richard, 2009 ³¹⁷	Fair	NLD	123	Dem	22.3	76	57	32
Rovner, 2018 ³¹⁸	Good	US	221	MCI	25.7	76	79	0
Shimada, 2017 ³²¹	Fair	JPN	308	MCI	26.7	72	50	0
Straubmeier, 2017 ³²²	Fair	DEU	453	MCI + Dem	19.6	81	61	28
(DeTMAKS)								

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(Study name)					MMSE,			memantine
					mean			use, %
Train the Brain Consortium,	Fair	ITA	113	MCI	25.6	74	49	NR
2017 ³¹⁹ (TTB)								
Wolfs, 2008 ³¹³	Fair	NLD	230	MCI + Dem	20.0	78	64	14

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: AChEI = acetyl-cholinesterase-inhibitor; ADEPT = Alzheimer's Disease Exercise Program Trial; ADEX = Preserving Cognition, Quality of Life, Physical Health and Functional Ability in Alzheimer's Disease: The Effect of Physical Exercise; AUS = Australia; CORDIAL= Cognitive Rehabilitation and Cognitive-behavioral Treatment for Early Dementia in Alzheimer Disease; DAPA = Dementia and Physical Activity; DeTMAKS = Dementia Day Care Motor, Activities of daily living, Cognitive, Social; DEU = Germany; ENLIGHTEN = Exercise and Nutritional Interventions for coGnitive and Cardiovascular HealTh Enhancement; ESP = Spain; FAB = Fitness for the Aging Brain; FIN = Finland; FINALEX = Finnish Alzheimer Disease Exercise Trial; FINCOG = Finnish Cognitive Training Trial; MEMO = Methode d'Entrainement pour Memoire Optimale; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; FRA = France; GBR = Great Britain/United Kingdom; GRC = Greece; HKG = Hong Kong; ITA = Italy; JPN = Japan; KOR = Korea; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; N = number of participants; NLD = Netherlands; NR = not reported; PACE = Promoting Healthy Ageing with Cognitive Exercise; PROMOTE = Promotion of the Mind Through Exercise; RehAtt = Rehabilitation of Attention; SMART(a) = Study of Mental and Resistance Training; SMART(b) = Self-management group intervention for people with early-stage dementia; TTB = Train the Brain

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Cognitive Stimulation, Training, and Rehabilitation						
Amieva, 2016* ²⁷⁵ Good	FRA	Dem	IG1: Cognitive training IG2: Cognitive rehabilitation	IG1: Group-based cognitive training for 1 d/wk, 90 min/d for first 3 months followed by maintenance sessions once every 6 months for the next 21 months plus separate caregiver support group sessions. IG2: Individualized cognitive rehabilitation for 1 d/wk, 90 min/d over the first 3 months followed by maintenance sessions once every 6 months for the next 21 months plus ongoing caregiver support through telephone calls.	24	UC: Patients received usual care while caregivers were offered the same support group sessions as cognitive training intervention arm.
Belleville, 2018 ²⁸⁹ Fair	CAN	MCI	IG1: Cognitive training IG2: Other	1	2.2	WL: Offered cognitive training intervention after study ended.
Bergamaschi, 2013* ²⁸⁰ Fair	ITA	Dem	Cognitive training	Group-based cognitive training over 5 one-month cycles over 1 year. Each cycle was 5 d/wk (20 sessions total) for 90 min/d.	12	Sham: Group-based cognitive activities during multiple, daily sessions (total # of sessions NR).
Buschert, 2011 ²⁶⁹ Fair	DEU	MCI + Dem	Cognitive stimulation and training	Group-based cognitive stimulation therapy and cognitive training over 20 sessions for 90 min/d over 6 months; stimulation and training activities were conducted and tailored separately for MCI and AD patients.	6	Sham: Paper-pencil cognitive exercises for self-study plus 6 monthly group-based sessions to review self-study exercises.
Cahn-Weiner, 2003 ²⁶⁷ Fair	US	Dem	Cognitive training	Group-based cognitive training focused specifically on memory training for 1 d/wk over 6 weeks.	2	BI: Group-based general education and support regarding aging and dementia 1 d/wk for 6 weeks.

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Cavallo, 2016* ²⁸⁴ Good	ITA	Dem	Cognitive training	Computerized, individual-based cognitive training ("Brainer1") with neuropsychologist for 3 d/wk, 30 min/d over 3 months.		Sham: Computerized cognitive training sessions following same schedule as intervention (3 d/wk, 30 min/d) with neuropsychologist, but with general Internet browsing, reading, and games and no structured cognitive training.
Chapman, 2004 ²⁶⁶ Fair	US	Dem	Cognitive stimulation	Group-based cognitive stimulation therapy for 1 d/wk, 90 min/d over 2 months.	2	WL: Caregivers encouraged to attend education classes that were also offered to intervention group and offered stimulation program at end of study.
Cove, 2014* ²⁷⁷ Fair	GBR	Dem	IG1: Cognitive stimulation IG2: Cognitive stimulation	IG1: Group-based cognitive stimulation therapy for 1 d/wk, 45 min/d over 3 months plus caregiver training on cognitive stimulation during two 60-180 min group sessions. IG2: Group-based cognitive stimulation therapy for 1 d/wk, 45 min/d over 3 months.		WL: Offered intervention after completion of study.
Greenaway, 2012 ²⁷¹ Fair	US	MCI	Cognitive training	Dyad training on the use of a calendar and note-taking system ("Memory Support System") to teach adaptation to memory loss (versus memory improvement) during 12 sessions for 60 min/session over 1.5 months.	1.5	None: Given same calendar as intervention group and encouraged to use it on their own without further instruction.
Herrera, 2012* ²⁸¹ Fair	FRA	MCI	Cognitive training	Computerized, individual-based cognitive training focused on memory and attention with neuropsychologist supervision for 2 d/wk, 60 min/d over 3 months.	3	Sham: Paper-pencil general cognitive activities following same schedule as intervention (2 d/wk, 60 min/d) with neuropsychologist
Hyer, 2016* ²⁸⁵ Fair	US	MCI	Cognitive training	Computerized, individual-based cognitive training ("Cogmed QM©") focused on working memory fo 25 sessions, 40 min/session over 1-2 months.		Sham: Computerized cognitive training sessions following same schedule as intervention (25 sessions, 40 min/session) and same general activities as Cogmed but without adaptivity based on individual's performance.

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Jelcic, 2012* ²⁸² Fair	ITA	Dem	Cognitive stimulation	Group-based cognitive stimulation therapy (Lexical-Semantic Stimulation) for 2 d/wk, 60 min/d over 3 months.	3	Sham: Group-based unstructured cognitive stimulation following same schedule as intervention (2 d/wk, 60 min/d) including creative work, reading plus discussion, and activities for improving verbal skills.
Jeong, 2016* ²⁷⁴ Fair	KOR	MCI	IG1: Cognitive training IG2: Cognitive training	IG1: Group-based cognitive training for 2 d/wk, 90 min/d over 3 months. IG2: Home-based cognitive training using print-based materials for 5 d/wk for 3 months with	3	WL: Offered cognitive training after study ended.
				visits to the clinic every week in the 1st month and every other week in the 2nd and 3rd months to check and discuss homework materials.		
Kallio, 2018 ²⁸⁸ Fair	FIN	Dem	Cognitive training	Group-based cognitive training focused to stimulate sub-skills of executive function for 2 d/wk, 45 min/d for 12 weeks.	3	UC: Usual care with routine treatment at a day care center twice a week for 6 hrs/d.
Kinsella, 2009 ²⁶⁴ Fair	AUS	MCI	Cognitive rehabilitation	memory difficulties for 1 d/wk, 90 min/d over 5 weeks.	1.25	WL: Offered intervention after study ended.
Kurz, 2012 ²⁷² Fair	DEU	Dem	Cognitive rehabilitation	Individualized cognitive rehabilitation 1 d/wk, 60 min/d over 3 months.	3	UC: Site-specific standard medical management including occupational therapy, physiotherapy, carer counseling, carer support groups, or medication alone.
Nousia, 2018 ²⁸⁶ Fair	GRC	Dem	Cognitive training	Individual cognitive training sessions for 2 d/wk, 60-min/d.	3	UC: Standard care.
Olazaran, 2004 ²⁶⁵ Fair	ESP	MCI + Dem	Cognitive stimulation	Group-based cognitive stimulation therapy 2 d/wk, 210 min/d over 1 year plus telephone helpline for caregivers.	12	MI: Psychosocial support (not described) plus telephone help-line for caregivers.
Orrell, 2014* ²⁷⁹ Good	GBR	Dem	Cognitive stimulation	Group-based maintenance cognitive stimulation therapy for 1 d/wk, 45 min/d for 6 months following a 7 week cognitive stimulation program.	6	UC: Site-specific usual care following a 7 week cognitive stimulation program.

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Orrell, 2017* ²⁷³ Good	GBR	Dem	Cognitive stimulation	Home-based caregiver-led cognitive stimulation therapy for 3 d/wk, 30 min/d over 6 months.	6	UC: Site-specific usual care excluding cognitive stimulation, but including group-based activities such as gardening and support groups.
Pantoni, 2017 ²⁸⁷ Fair	ITA	MCI	Cognitive training	Individual cognitive training 1 d/wk, 120-min/d over 5 months.	5	UC: Instructed to continue usual activities and provided with standard care (medication and clinic consultations).
Quayhagen, 1995 ²⁷⁰ Fair	US	Dem	Cognitive stimulation	Home-based caregiver-led cognitive stimulation therapy for 1 d/wk, 60 min/d over 3 months.	3	WL: Offered training on cognitive stimulation after study ended.
Rapp, 2002 ²⁶⁸ Fair	US	MCI	Cognitive training	Group-based cognitive training focused on memory enhancement for 1 d/wk, 120 min/d over 6 weeks.	1.5	None: Given copies of intervention print materials after study ended.
Troyer, 2008 ²⁶² Fair	CAN	MCI	Cognitive stimulation	Group-based cognitive stimulation therapy focused on memory enhancement for 10 sessions, 120 min/session over 6 months.	6	WL: Offered intervention after study ended.
Tsantali, 2017* ²⁸³ Fair	GRC	Dem	IG1: Cognitive training IG2: Cognitive stimulation	IG1: Individual-based cognitive training focused on memory enhancement for 3 d/wk, 90 min/d for 4 months. IG2: Individual-based non-specific cognitive stimulation activities for 3 d/wk, 90 min/d for 4 months.	4	WL: Offered intervention after study ended.
Tsolaki, 2011 ²⁶³ Fair	GRC	MCI	Cognitive stimulation and training	Group-based cognitive training, cognitive stimulation therapy, and cognitive-behavioral therapy for 3 d/wk, 90 min/d over 6 months.	6	WL: Offered intervention after study ended.
Vidovich, 2015 ²⁷⁶ Good	AUS	MCI	Cognitive rehabilitation, training, stimulation	Group-based cognitive training, stimulation, and rehabilitation for 2 d/wk, 90 min/d for 5 weeks.	1	MI: Group-based general education on healthy aging for 2 d/wk, 90 min/day over 5 weeks.
Exercise Interventions						
Baker, 2010 ²⁹⁶ Fair	US	MCI	Exercise	Supervised individual-based aerobic exercise for 4 d/wk, 45-60 min/d over 6 months.	6	MI: Prescribed stretching and balance exercises.
Blumenthal, 2018 ³⁰⁷ Fair	US	MCI	IG1: Exercise and diet counseling IG2: Exercise	IG1: Supervised exercise for 3 d/wk, 45-min/d over three months; unsupervised home exercise sessions 3 d/wk, 45min/d over subsequent three months; and dietary counseling for 1 d/wk, 30-	6	AC: Instructed to maintain their normal activities, and educational calls on CVD health-related topics 1 d/wk, 30-min/d for three months and

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			IG3: Diet counseling	min/d for three months and 2 d/month, 30-min/d over subsequent three months IG2: Supervised exercise for 3 d/wk, 45-min/d over three months; unsupervised home exercise sessions 3 d/wk, 45min/d over subsequent three months IG3: Dietary counseling for 1 d/wk, 30-min/d for three months and 2 d/month, 30-min/d over subsequent three months.		2 d/month for subsequent three months.
Dawson, 2016* ³⁰⁵ Fair	US	Dem	Exercise	Supervised individual, home-based functional strength and balance exercises for 2 d/wk over 3 months.	3	WL: Maintain normal activities.
Doi, 2017* ³⁰⁴ Good	JPN	MCI	Exercise	Supervised group-based ballroom dancing for 1 d/wk, 60 min/d over 10 months.	10	AC: Three 90-min health education classes on general older adult health topics.
Ho, 2018 ³⁰⁸ Fair	HKG	MCI + Dem	Exercise	IG1: Dance-movement group-based intervention for 2 d/wk, 60-min/d over three months. IG2: Supervised group-based exercise intervention for 2 d/wk, 60-min/d over three months.	IG1: 3 IG2: 12	WL: Usual care plus wait list intervention.
Hoffmann, 2016* ³⁰² Good	DNK	Dem	Exercise	Supervised group-based aerobic exercise for 3 d/wk, 60 min/d over 4 months.	4	UC: Treatment as usual with access to memory clinic staff as needed.
Holthoff, 2015* ³⁰³ Fair	DEU	Dem	Exercise	Self-guided individual, home-based lower body exercises on computer-controlled movement trainer for 3 d/wk, 30 min/d over 3 months.	3	BI: Monthly clinic visits and general advice on changing inactive habits and increasing physical activity.
Hong, 2017* ³⁰⁰ Fair	KOR	MCI	Exercise	Supervised group-based M42resistance exercises using elastic band for 2 d/wk, 60 min/d over 3 months.	3	None: Maintain normal activities.
Karssemeijer, 2019 ³¹⁰ Fair	NLD	Dem	IG1: Multicomponent IG2: Exercise	IG1: Supervised combined cognitive-aerobic exercise sessions for 3 d/wk, 30-50 min/d for 3 months. IG2: Supervised aerobic exercise sessions for 3 d/wk, 30-50 min/d for 3 months.	3	Sham: Relaxation and stretching exercises for 3 d/week, 30-min/d over 3 months.

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Lam, 2011 ²⁹³ Fair	HKG	MCI	Exercise	Supervised group-based and self-guided Tai Chi for minimum of 1 d/wk, 30 min/d over 2-3 months		MI: Supervised stretching and toning exercises at same intensity as intervention group (1 d/wk for 30 min/day).
Lamb, 2018 ³⁰⁶ Good	GBR	Dem	Exercise	Dance-movement group-based intervention for 2 d/wk, 60-min/d over three months.	12	WL: Usual care plus wait list intervention.
Lautenschlager, 2008 ²⁹² Good	AUS	MCI	Exercise	Self-guided individually-tailored aerobic exercise for 3 d/wk, 50 min/d (minimum of 150 min/wk) + workbook over 6 months.	6	AC: Educational material about general health topics, excluding physical activity.
Lazarou, 2017* ²⁹⁹ Fair	GRC	MCI	Exercise	Supervised group-based ballroom dancing for 2 d/wk, 60 min/d over 10 months.	10	None: Maintain normal activities.
Liu-Ambrose, 2016* ²⁹¹ Fair	CAN	Dem	Exercise	Supervised group-based aerobic exercise for 3 d/wk, 60 min/d over 6 months.	6	UC: Usual care plus monthly educational materials about vascular cognitive impairment and healthy diet.
Morris, 2017* ³⁰¹ Good	US	MCI + Dem	Exercise	Supervised individual-based aerobic exercise for 3-5 d/wk, 30-50 min/d (150 min/wk) over 6 months.	6	MI: Supervised non-aerobic exercises (core strengthening, resistance bands, modified tai chi, modified yoga) at same intensity as intervention group (3-5 d/wk for 30-50 min/d).
Pitkälä, 2013* ²⁹⁰ Good	FIN	Dem	IG1: Exercise IG2: Exercise	IG1: Supervised group-based exercise focused on endurance, balance, strength training, and executive functioning for 2 d/wk, 60 min/d over 1 year. IG2: Supervised home-based individually-tailored	12	UC: Usual care plus general advice on nutrition and exercise.
				functional mobility exercises for 2 d/wk, 60 min/d over 1 year.		
Schwenk, 2010 ²⁹⁴ Fair	DEU	Dem	Exercise	Supervised group-based resistance-balance and functional-balance training, including specific dual-task training for concurrent motor or cognitive tasks for 2 d/wk, 120 min/d over 3 months.	3	MI: Supervised group-based motor placebo training including flexibility exercises, calisthenics, and ball games while seated for 2 d/wk, 60 min/d over 1 year.

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Siu, 2018 ³⁰⁹ Fair	HKG	MCI	Exercise	Supervised group-based Tai Chi for 2 d/wk, 60-min/d over 4 months and telephone followup for emotional support and reinforcement of intervention.	4	UC: Usual care and advised to attend recreational activities provided by their elderly centers and to continue their daily activities.
Suzuki, 2012 ²⁹⁷ Fair	JPN	MCI	Exercise	Supervised group-based exercise including aerobic exercise, strength training, balance retraining, and dual-task training for 2 d/wk, 90 min/d over 1 year.	12	AC: Three general health education classes.
Venturelli, 2010 ²⁹⁵ Fair	ITA	MCI + Dem	Exercise	Supervised group-based resistance training for 3 d/wk, 45 min/d over 3 months plus usual physical therapy.		UC: Usual physical therapy including electrostimulation, massage, and passive leg movement on bed as well as bingo, music therapy, and patchwork.
Vreugdenhil, 2012 ²⁹⁸ Fair	AUS	Dem	Exercise	Self- and caregiver-guided home-based exercise including aerobic exercise, strength and balance training recommended to be performed daily over 4 months.		WL: Usual care plus wait list intervention.
Multicomponent and Other Interventions						
Bae, 2019 ³²⁰ Fair	JPN	MCI	Multicomponent	Multicomponent group-based intervention with supervised exercise and cognitive and social activities 2d/wk, 90-min/d.	6	AC: Two 90-min health education classes about oral care and nutrition.
Bellantonio, 2008 ³¹¹ Fair	US	Dem	Multidisciplinary assessment	Four multidisciplinary assessments by geriatrician, physical therapist, dietitian, and medical social worker and associated care recommendations provided over 9 months to new dementia-specific assisted living patients.	9	UC: Medical evaluation by primary care physician within 7 days of admission.
Belleville, 2018 ²⁸⁹ Fair	CAN	MCI	IG1: Cognitive training IG2: Other	IG1: Group-based cognitive training for 1 d/wk, 120 min/d for 2 months followed by one intensive booster session delivered three months later. IG2: Group-based cognitive behavioral therapy for 1 d/wk, 120 min/d for 2 months followed by one intensive booster session delivered three months later.	2.2	WL: Offered cognitive training intervention after study ended.

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Blumenthal, 2018 ³⁰⁷ Fair	US	MCI	IG1: Exercise and diet counseling IG2: Exercise IG3: Diet counseling	IG1: Supervised exercise for 3 d/wk, 45-min/d over three months; unsupervised home exercise sessions 3 d/wk, 45min/d over subsequent three months; and dietary counseling for 1 d/wk, 30-min/d for three months and 2 d/month, 30-min/d over subsequent three months IG2: Supervised exercise for 3 d/wk, 45-min/d over three months; unsupervised home exercise sessions 3 d/wk, 45min/d over subsequent three months IG3: Dietary counseling for 1 d/wk, 30-min/d for three months and 2 d/month, 30-min/d over subsequent three months.	6	AC: Instructed to maintain their normal activities, and educational calls on CVD health-related topics 1 d/wk, 30-min/d for three months and 2 d/month for subsequent three months.
Burgener, 2008 ³¹² Fair	US	Dem	Multicomponent	Multicomponent group-based intervention with exercise classes for 3 d/wk, 60 min/d and cognitive behavioral therapy and support groups 1 d/wk, 90 min/d over 5 months.	5	WL: Offered intervention after 5 months.
Fiatarone Singh, 2014* ²⁷⁸ Fair	AUS	MCI	IG1: Multicomponent IG2: Cognitive training	IG1: Computerized, group-based cognitive training ("COGPACK") and group-based progressive resistance training for 2 d/wk, 100 min/d over 6 months. IG2: Computerized, group-based cognitive training ("COGPACK") for 2 d/wk, 45 min/d over 6 months plus a 30 min of sham physical exercises of stretching and seated calisthenics during each session.	6	Sham: Sham cognitive training 2 d/wk, 30 min/d of watching videos and responding to questions regarding video content plus 30 min of sham physical exercises of stretching and seated calisthenics during each session.
Jha, 2013* ³¹⁶ Fair	GBR	MCI + Dem	Other	Psychiatric assessment, counseling, and support for 1 d/month, 60 min/d over 6 months.	6	MI: General counseling to patient and caregiver (not focused on wellbeing or quality of life) for 1 d/month, 60 min/d over 6 months.
Karssemeijer, 2019 ³¹⁰ Fair	NLD	Dem	IG1: Multicomponent IG2: Exercise	IG1: Supervised combined cognitive-aerobic exercise sessions for 3 d/wk, 30-50 min/d for 3 months. IG2: Supervised aerobic exercise sessions for 3 d/wk, 30-50 min/d for 3 months.	3	Sham: Relaxation and stretching exercises for 3 d/week, 30-min/d over 3 months.

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Author, year Quality	Country	Pop cat	Intervention type	Brief intervention group description	Duration, months	Brief control group description
Marshall, 2015* ³¹⁵ Fair	GBR	Dem	Other	Group-based psychotherapy and psychoeducation for 1 d/wk, 75 min/day over 2.5 months.	2.5	WL: Offered intervention after study ended.
Quinn, 2016* ³¹⁴ Good	GBR Dem		Other	Group-based self-management program for 1 d/wk, 90 min/d over 2 months.	2	UC: Routine memory clinic services including psychiatry, psychology, occupational therapy, and social services.
Richard, 2009 ³¹⁷ Fair	NLD	Dem	Other	Vascular care targeting hypercholesterolemia and hypertension including medications, exercise, diet and smoking cessation during outpatient visits every 3 months for 24 months.	24	UC: Physicians followed general guidelines for treatment for vascular risk factors in older adults.
Rovner, 2018 ³¹⁸	US	MCI	Other	Five in-home 60-min behavioral activation (goal- setting and action plans) intervention over 4 months and six in-home 60-min followup maintenance sessions over subsequent 20 months.	4	Sham: Five in-home 60-min general supportive therapy sessions over 4 months and six in-home 60-min followup maintenance sessions over subsequent 20 months.
Shimada, 2017 ³²¹ Fair	JPN	MCI	Multicomponent	Group-based physical and cognitive exercises for 1 d/wk, 90 min/d over 9 months	9	MI: Three 90-minute health promotion classes and three booster calls over 9 months.
Straubmeier, 2017 ³²² Fair	DEU	MCI + Dem	Multicomponent	Multicomponent group-based intervention with social, cognitive, and physical components for 5 d/wk, 120-min/d over 6 months.	6	WL: Offered intervention after 6 months.
Train the Brain Consortium, 2017 ³¹⁹ Fair	ITA	MCI	Multicomponent	Multicomponent group-based intervention with twice daily 30-min/d cognitive training; music therapy 1 d/wk, 60-min/d; monthly 60-min movie and discussion sessions; and supervised exercise 3 d/wk, 60-min/d.	7	None: Maintain normal activities.
Wolfs, 2008 ³¹³ Fair	NLD	MCI + Dem	Other	Multidisciplinary diagnostic assessment with results and recommended treatment and management plan sent to general practitioner ("Diagnostic Observation Center for Psychogeriatric Patients" [DOC-PG]).	NR	UC: Diagnosis by general practitioner or outside service.

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: AC = attention control; AUS = Australia; BI = brief intervention; CG = control group; d = day; Dem = dementia; DEU = Germany; ESP = Spain; FIN = Finland; FRA = France; GBR = Great Britain/United Kingdom; GRC = Greece; HKG = Hong Kong; ITA = Italy; JPN = Japan; KOR = Korea; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MI = minimal intervention; min = minutes; NLD = Netherlands; NR = not reported; Pop cat = population category; UC = usual care; wk = week; WL = waitlist

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Author, year Quality	Pop cat	N rand	Age, mean	FU (mo.)	Global Function	Global Cognitive Function	Domain-Specific Cognitive Function	Physical Function	Quality of Life	Mental Health and Behavioral Symptoms	Other
Cognitive Stimulation, Training, and Rehabilitation											
Amieva, 2016* ²⁷⁵ Good	Dem	481	79	24	NR	IG1: ↔ (ADAS-Cog) IG2: ↔ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	IG1: ↔ (ADL/IADL) IG2: ↔ (ADL/IADL)	IG1: ↔ IG2: ↔	IG1: ↔ (D, NPS) IG2: ↔ (D, NPS)	IG1: ↔ (CGR Burden, Institutionalization, Dementia Incidence) IG2: ↔ (CGR Burden, Institutionalization, Dementia Incidence)
Belleville, 2018* ²⁸⁹ Fair	MCI	145	72	6	NR	NR	↔ [†] (Memory)	↔ (ADL)	\leftrightarrow	↔ (A, D)	NR
Bergamaschi, 2013* ²⁸⁰ Fair	Dem	32	78	12	NR	↑ (MMSE)	↑ (EF) ↔ [†] (Memory)	↑ (ADL), ↔ (IADL)	NR	↔ (D)	NR
Buschert, 2011 ²⁶⁹ Fair	MCI + Dem	39	73	6	NR	MCI: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE) Dem: ↔ (ADAS- Cog), ↔ (MMSE)		NR		MCI: ↑ (D) Dem: ↔ (D)	NR
Cahn-Weiner, 2003* ²⁶⁷ Good	Dem	34	77	3	NR	NR		↔ (ADL/IADL))NR	NR	NR
Cavallo, 2016* ²⁸⁴ Good	Dem	80	76	6	NR	↔ (MMSE)	↑ (Attention) ↔ [†] (EF) ↑ (Language) ↔ [†] (Memory)	NR	NR	↔ (A, D)	NR
Chapman, 2004 ²⁶⁶ Fair	Dem	54	76	12	\leftrightarrow	↔ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)) ↔	↔ (NPS)	↑ (CGR Burden)
	Dem	72	77	3	NR	IG1: ↔ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE)	NR	NR	IG1: ↔ IG2: ↔	NR	NR

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Author, year Quality	Pop cat	N rand	Age, mean	FU (mo.)	Global Function	Global Cognitive Function	Domain-Specific Cognitive Function	Physical Function	Quality of Life	Mental Health and Behavioral Symptoms	Other
						IG2: ↔ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE)					
Fiatarone Singh, 2014 ²⁷⁸ Fair	MCI	100	70	18	NR	IG2: ↔ (ADAS-Cog)	IG2: ↔ (EF), ↔ (Memory)	IG2: ↔ (IADL)	NR	NR	NR
Greenaway, 2012* ²⁷¹ Fair	MCI	40	72	6	NR	↔ (MMSE)	↔ (Memory)	NR	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	↑ (CGR Burden, CGR MH [D]) ↔ (CGR QOL)
Herrera, 2012 ²⁸¹ Fair	MCI	22	77	6	NR	NR	↔ [†] (Attention) ↔ [†] (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Hyer, 2016* ²⁸⁵ Fair	MCI	77	75	5	NR	NR	↔ [†] (EF) ↔ (Memory)	↑ (IADL)	NR	NR	NR
Jelcic, 2012* ²⁸² Fair	Dem	40	82	3	NR	↑ (MMSE)	↔ [†] (Attention) ↔ (EF) ↔ [†] (Language) ↔ [†] (Memory)	↔ (IADL)	NR	NR	NR
Jeong, 2016* ²⁷⁴ Fair	MCI	293	70	9	IG1: ↔ IG2: ↑	IG1: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE) IG2: ↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE)	$IG1: \leftrightarrow (EF), \leftrightarrow (Memory)$ $IG2: \leftrightarrow (EF), \leftrightarrow (Memory)$	IG1: ↔ (IADL) IG2: ↔ (IADL)	' I	$ G1: \leftrightarrow (D), \uparrow (NPS)$ $ G2: \leftrightarrow (D), \leftrightarrow (NPS)$	NR
Kallio, 2018* ²⁸⁸ Fair	Dem	147	83	9	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	
Kinsella, 2009 ²⁶⁴ Fair	MCI	54	77	4	NR	NR	↔ (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Kurz, 2012 ²⁷² Fair	Dem	201	74	9	NR	↔ (MMSE)	NR	↔ (IADL)	\leftrightarrow	\leftrightarrow (D), \leftrightarrow (NPS)	
Nousia, 2018 ^{*286} Fair	Dem	50	76	3.5	NR	NR	↑ (Attention) ↑ (EF) ↑ (Language) ↔ [†] (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Olazaran, 2004 ²⁶⁵ Fair	MCI + Dem	84	74	12	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE)	NR	↔ (IADL)	NR	↑ (D)	NR
Orrell, 2014* ²⁷⁹ Good	Dem	236	83	6	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	↑ (Self- rated), ↔ (Proxy- rated)	↔ (NPS)	↔ (CGR QOL)

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Quality	Pop cat		mean	FU (mo.)		Global Cognitive Function		Physical Function	Quality of Life	Mental Health and Behavioral Symptoms	Other
Good	Dem		78	6	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL))↔	\leftrightarrow (D), \leftrightarrow (NPS)	↔ (CGR QOL, CGR MH, CGR Burden)
Pantoni, 2017*287 Fair	MCI	46	75	12	NR	↔ (MMSE)	 ↔ (Attention) ↔ (EF) ↔ † (Memory) 	\leftrightarrow (ADL), \leftrightarrow (IADL), \leftrightarrow (ADL/IADL)	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR
Quayhagen, 1995 ²⁷⁰ Fair	Dem	95	74	9	NR	↑ (MDRS)	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Rapp, 2002 ²⁶⁸ Fair	MCI	19	74	6	NR	NR	↔† (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	NR
	MCI	54	75	6	NR	NR	↔ [†] (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Tsantali, 2017* ²⁸³ Fair	Dem	63	74	12	NR	IG1: ↑ (MMSE) IG2: ↔ (MMSE)	IG1: ↑ (Language), ↑ (Memory) IG2: ↔ (Language), ↔ [†] (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Tsolaki, 2011 ²⁶³ Fair	MCI	196	68	6	NR	↑ (MMSE)	NR	↑ (ADL)	NR	NR	NR
Vidovich, 2015* ²⁷⁶ Good	MCI	160	75	24	NR	↔ (CAMCOG-R)	<pre>↔ † (Attention)</pre>	NR	1	↔ (D)	↔ (Dementia Incidence)
Exercise											
Interventions Baker, 2010 ²⁹⁶ Fair	MCI	33	70	6	NR	NR	↑ (Attention) ↑ (EF)	NR	NR	NR	NR
	MCI	160	65	6	\leftrightarrow	NR	↔ (EF) ↔ (Language) ↔ (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	↔ (Dementia Incidence)
Dawson, 2016* ³⁰⁵ Fair	Dem	26	74	3	NR	NR	↔ (EF)	↔ (ADL/IADL))NR	NR	↔ (Institutionalization
Doi, 2017* ³⁰⁴ Good	MCI	201	76	9	NR	↑ (MMSE)	 ↔ (Attention) ↔ (EF) ↔[†] (Memory) 	NR	NR	NR	→ (Dementia Incidence)
Ho, 2018* ³⁰⁸ Fair	MCI + Dem	204	79	12	NR	NR	IG1: ↔ (Attention) ↔ (EF)	IG1: ↔ (IADL) IG2: ↔ (IADL)	' I	IG1: \leftrightarrow (D), \leftrightarrow (NPS)	NR

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Author, year Quality	Pop cat	N rand	Age, mean	FU (mo.)	Global Function	Global Cognitive Function	Domain-Specific Cognitive Function	Physical Function	Quality of Life	Mental Health and Behavioral Symptoms	Other
										$\begin{array}{c} IG2; \leftrightarrow (D), \leftrightarrow \\ (NPS) \end{array}$	
Hoffmann, 2016* ³⁰² Good	Dem	200	70	4	NR	↔ (MMSE)	↔ (EF) ↔ (Language)	↔ (ADL/IADL))↔	↔ (D) ↑ (NPS)	NR
Holthoff, 2015* ³⁰³ Fair	Dem	30	72	6	NR	↔ (MMSE)	↑ (EF)	↑ (ADL)	NR	↑ (NPS)	
Hong, 2017* ³⁰⁰ Fair	MCI	25	77	3	NR	↔ (MoCA)	<pre>↔[†] (Attention) </pre> ↔ (EF) ↔ (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Karssemeijer, 2019* ³¹⁰ Fair	Dem	115	80	6	NR	NR	↔ (EF) ↔ (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	↔ (SAE)
Lam, 2011 ²⁹³ Fair	MCI	389	78	5	↑	↔ (ADAS-Cog), ↔ (MMSE)	<pre>↔ (Attention) ↔ (EF) ↔ (Language) ↔ (Memory)</pre>	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow (D), \leftrightarrow (NPS)	NR
Lamb, 2018* ³⁰⁶ Good	Dem	494	77	12	NR	↑ (ADAS-Cog)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	↔ (Self- rated), ↔ (Proxy- rated)	↔ (NPS)	↔ (CGR Burden, CGR QOL)
Lautenschlager, 2008 ²⁹² Good	MCI	170	68	17	1	↑ (ADAS-Cog)		NR	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR
Lazarou, 2017* ²⁹⁹ Fair	MCI	154	67	10	↑	↑ (MMSE)	↑ (Attention)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	NR
Liu-Ambrose, 2016* ²⁹¹ Fair	Dem	70	74	12	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog)	↔ (EF)	↔ (ADL/IADL)	NR	NR	NR
Morris, 2017* ³⁰¹ Good	MCI + Dem	76	73	6	NR	NR	↔ (EF) ↔ (Memory)	↑ (ADL/IADL)	NR	↔ (D)	NR

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Author, year Quality	Pop cat	N rand	Age, mean	FU (mo.)	Global Function	Global Cognitive Function	Domain-Specific Cognitive Function	Physical Function	Quality of Life	Mental Health and Behavioral Symptoms	Other
Pitkälä, 2013* ²⁹⁰ Good	Dem	210	78	12	NR	IG1: ↔ (MMSE) IG2: ↔ (MMSE)	IG1: ↔ (EF) IG2: ↔ [†] (EF)	IG1: ↔ (ADL/IADL) IG2: ↑ (ADL/IADL)	NR	$\begin{array}{l} IG1: \leftrightarrow (D), \leftrightarrow \\ (NPS) \\ IG2: \leftrightarrow (D), \leftrightarrow \\ (NPS) \end{array}$	IG1: ↔ (Institutionalization) IG2: ↔ (Institutionalization)
Schwenk, 2010 ²⁹⁴ Fair	Dem	61	82	3	NR	NR	↔ (EF)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Siu, 2018* ³⁰⁹ Fair	MCI	160	NR	4	NR	↑ (MMSE)	NR	↑ (IADL)	NR	NR	NR
Suzuki, 2012 ²⁹⁷ Fair	MCI	50	76	6	NR	↔ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (MMSE)	↔ [†] (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Venturelli, 2010 ²⁹⁵ Fair	MCI + Dem	30	84	3	NR	↑ (MMSE)	NR	↑ (ADL)	NR	NR	NR
Vreugdenhil, 2012 ²⁹⁸ Fair	Dem	40	74	4	NR	↑ (ADAS-Cog), ↑ (MMSE)	NR	↑ (ADL/IADL)	NR	↔ (D)	↔ (CGR Burden)
Multicomponent and Other Interventions											
Bae, 2019* ³²⁰ Fair	MCI	83	76	6	NR	↔ (MMSE)		NR	NR	↔ (D)	↔ (AE, SAE)
Belleville, 2018* ²⁸⁹ Fair	MCI	145	72	6	NR	NR	↔ (Memory)	↔ (ADL)	\leftrightarrow	↔ (A, D)	NR
Blumenthal, 2019* ³⁰⁷ Fair	MCI	160	65	6	IG1: ↔ IG3: ↔	NR	IG1: ↑ (EF) ↔ (Language) ↔ (Memory) IG3: ↔ (EF) ↔ (Language) ↔ (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	IG1: ↔ (Dementia Incidence) IG3: ↔ (Dementia Incidence)
Bellantonio, 2008 ³¹¹ Fair	Dem	100	82	9	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	↔ (Institutionalization
Burgener, 2008 ³¹² Fair	Dem	43	77	5	NR	↔ (MMSE)	NR	NR	NR	↔ (D)	NR

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	Pop cat	N rand	Age, mean	FU (mo.)	Global Function	Global Cognitive Function	-	Physical Function	Quality of Life	Mental Health and Behavioral Symptoms	Other
Fiatarone Singh, 2014 ²⁷⁸ Fair	MCI	100	70	18	NR	IG1: ↔ (ADAS-Cog)	IG1: ↔ (EF), ↔ (Memory)	IG1: ↔ (IADL)	NR	NR	NR
	MCI + Dem	48	79	6	NR	↔ (MMSE)	NR	NR	↔ (EQ- 5D), ↑ (WHO- 5)	↔ (D)	↔ (CGR Burden)
Karssemeijer, 2019* ³¹⁰ Fair	Dem	115	80	6	NR	NR	↔ (EF) ↔ (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	↔ (SAE)
Marshall, 2015* ³¹⁵ Fair	Dem	58	76	5	NR	↔ (MMSE)	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	
Quinn, 2016* ³¹⁴ Good	Dem	24	76	6	NR	NR	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	↔ (A, D)	NR
Richard, 2009 ³¹⁷ Fair	Dem	123	76	24	NR	↔ (MMSE)	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)	NR	↔ (NPS)	↔ (Institutionalization
Rovner, 2018* ³¹⁸ Good	MCI	221	76	24	NR	↔ (MMSE)	↔ (Attention) ↑ (EF) ↔ (Language) ↔ † (Memory)	NR	NR	↔ (D)	
Shimada, 2018* ³²¹ Fair	MCI	308	72	9	NR	↑ (MMSE)	↔ [†] (EF) ↔ [†] (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	↔ (AE, Falls, Hospitalization)
	MCI + Dem	453	81	6	NR	↑ (MMSE)	NR	↑ (ADL)	NR	↔ (NPS)	↔ (AE)
Train the Brain Consortium, 2017* ³¹⁹ Fair	MCI	113	74	7	NR	↑ (ADAS-Cog)	↔ (Attention) ↔ [†] (EF) ↔ (Memory)	NR	NR	NR	↔ (AE)
	MCI + Dem	230	78	12	\leftrightarrow	↔ (MMSE)	NR	↔ (IADL)	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D, NPS)	

NOTE: Arrows represent study-reported results.

Symbol Legend:

^{↑ =} Statistically significant between-group difference in favor of intervention group

⇔ = No statistically significant difference between groups or no clear between-group difference (not reported).

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Abbreviations: A = Anxiety; ADAS-Cog = Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; ADL = Activities of Daily Living; AE = adverse events; D = Depression; Dem = Dementia; EF = executive functioning; FU (mo.) = followup (months); CGR = caregiver; IADL = Instrumental Activities of Daily Living; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MH = mental health; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; NPS = Composite neuropsychiatric symptoms; NR = not reported; N rand = number of participants randomized; Pop cat = population category; Psych = psychological; QOL = quality of life; SAE = serious adverse events

^{*} New study

[†] Mixed results from multiple tests assessing same cognitive domain

Table 19. Caregiver and Caregiver-Patient Dyad Interventions: Study Characteristics, by Intervention (KQ 4 and 5)

Author, year (study name)	Quality	Country	Audience	N rand	Caregiver age, mean	_	Caregiver female, %	Patient BL MMSE, mean
Psychoeducation I	l nterven	tions			age, mean	rype	remaie, 70	WINGE, IIIeaii
Barnes, 2018*325	Fair	GBR	Caregiver	55	67	Spouse: 67	77	24
Damos, 2010	. u	ODIC	Carogivor		Γ'	Child: 29	l' '	<u> </u>
						Other: 4		
Belle, 2006 ³²⁶	Fair	US	Caregiver	642	61	Spouse: 43	83	13.0
(REACH II)	. u		Carogivor	0.12	Γ'	Child: 48		10.0
(112/101111)						Other: 9		
Berwig, 2017*327	Fair	DEU	Caregiver	92	73	Spouse: 89	66	12.4
(GE-REACH)			ourog.vo.	02	, 0	Child: NR		1.2
(02 : 12 : 10 : 1)						Other: 11		
Brennan, 1995 ³²⁸	Fair	US	Caregiver	102	60	Spouse: 68	67	NR
			J			Child: 28		
						Other: NR		
Bruvik, 2013* ³²⁹	Good	NOR	Caregiver +	230	64	Spouse: 53	77	21.2
			Patient			Child: 40		
						Other: 7		
Burgio, 2003 ³³⁰	Fair	US	Caregiver	140	63	Spouse: 50	79	13.0
(REACH -			oan og. vo.			Child: NR		1010
Birmingham)						Other: 50		
Chang, 1999 ³³¹	Fair	US	Caregiver	87	66	Spouse: 89	NR	NR
,			J			Child: NR		
						Other: NR		
Chu, 2011 ³³²	Fair	TWN	Caregiver	85	NR	Spouse: 32	57	NR
3.1.4, 20.1.			oan og. vo.		[Child: 64		
						Other: NR		
Coon, 2003 ³³³	Fair	US	Caregiver	169	64	Spouse: 57	100	14.2
			J	1.00		Child: 43		
						Other: NR		
Cristancho-Lacroix,	Fair	FRA	Caregiver	49	62	Spouse: 37	65	18.7
2015* ³³⁴						Child: 59		
						Other: 4		
De Rotrou, 2011 ³³⁵	Fair	FRA	Caregiver	157	65	Spouse: 57	68	NR
·						Child: 29		
						Other: NR		
Ducharme, 2011 ³³⁶	Fair	CAN	Caregiver	121	61	Spouse: 34	79	NR
						Child: 52		
						Other: 14		
Duggleby, 2018*337	Fair	CAN	Caregiver	199	64	Spouse: 49	81	NR
(MT4C)						Child: 46		
						Other: 5		
Finkel, 2007 ³³⁸	Fair	US	Caregiver	46	65	Spouse: 44	68	NR
						Child: 53		
						Other: NR		
Fung, 2002*339	Fair	HKG	Caregiver	60	NR	Spouse: 50	63	NR
						Child: 29		
						Other: 21		
Gallagher-	Fair	US	Caregiver	257	57	Spouse: NR	100	13.7
Thompson, 2003 ³⁴⁰						Child: NR		
(REACH - Palo Alto)						Other: NR		
Gallagher-	Fair	US	Caregiver	184	58	Spouse: 38	100	14.1
Thompson, 2008 ³⁴¹						Child: NR		
						Other: 62		
Gallagher-	Good	US	Caregiver	76	59	Spouse: 13	87	NR
Thompson, 2010*342	2					Child: NR		
	1	1			1	Other: NR	1	1

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Author, year (study name)	Quality	Country	Audience	N rand	Caregiver age, mean	Caregiver type	Caregiver female, %	Patient BL MMSE, mean
Garand, 2014* ³⁴³	Fair	US	Caregiver	73	65	Spouse: 75 Child: NR Other: NR	78	NR
Gaugler, 2013* ³⁴⁴ (NYUCI-AC)	Fair	US	Family	107	50	Spouse: 0 Child: 100 Other: 0	94	NR
Gitlin, 2001 ³⁴⁵	Fair	US	Caregiver	202	60	Spouse: 25 Child: NR Other: 75	73	NR
Gitlin, 2003 ³⁴⁷ (REACH - Philadelphia)	Fair	US	Caregiver	255	61	Spouse: 35 Child: NR Other: NR	74	12.2
Gitlin, 2008 ³⁴⁶	Fair	US	Caregiver + Patient	60	65	Spouse: 62 Child: 38 Other: 0	88	11.6
Gitlin, 2010 ³⁴⁸ (ACT)	Fair	US	Caregiver	272	66	Spouse: 51 Child: NR Other: NR	82	13.0
Gitlin, 2010 ⁴⁶⁰ (COPE)	Fair	US	Caregiver + Patient	237	62	Spouse: 38 Child: NR Other: 62	89	13.4
Graff, 2006 ³⁴⁹	Fair	NLD	Caregiver + Patient	135	64	Spouse: 58 Child: 32 Other: 10	70	19.0
Hebert, 2003 ³⁵⁰	Fair	CAN	Caregiver	144	60	Spouse: 61 Child: NR Other: NR	80	NR
Hepburn, 2005 ³⁵¹	Fair	US	Caregiver	215	66	Spouse: 66 Child: NR Other: NR	76	17.7
Joling, 2012 ³⁵²	Fair	NLD	Family	192	70	Spouse: 94 Child: NR Other: NR	70	12.6
Judge, 2013* ³⁵³ (ANSWERS)	Fair	US	Caregiver + Patient	128	65	Spouse: 60 Child: NR Other: NR	74	23.0
Koivisto, 2016* ³⁵⁴ (ALSOVA)	Fair	FIN	Caregiver + Patient	236	66	Spouse: 70 Child: 23 Other: 6	66	21.5
Kurz, 2010 ³⁵⁵ (AENEAS)	Fair	AUT, DEU, CHE	Caregiver	292	62	Spouse: 58 Child: 38 Other: NR	69	13.9
Kwok, 2013* ³⁵⁶	Fair	HKG	Caregiver	42	NR	Spouse: 10 Child: 87 Other: 3	71	NR
Laakkonen, 2016* ³⁵⁷	Fair	FIN	Caregiver + Patient	136	75	Spouse: 100 Child: 0 Other: 0	62	20.8
Livingston, 2013* ³⁵⁸ (START)	Good	GBR	Caregiver	260	59	Spouse: 42 Child: 44 Other: 15	68	NR
Losada, 2010 ³⁵⁹	Fair	ESP	Caregiver	167	60	Spouse: 35 Child: 59 Other: 6	83	NR

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Author, year (study name)	Quality	Country	Audience	N rand	Caregiver age, mean	Caregiver type	Caregiver female, %	Patient BL MMSE, mean
Mariott, 2000 ³⁶⁰	Fair	GBR	Caregiver	28	64	Spouse: 52 Child: 41 Other: 7	69	12.5
Martin-Carrasco, 2009 ³⁶²	Fair	ESP	Caregiver	115	58	Spouse: 55 Child: 36 Other: 9	69	18.7
Martin-Carrasco, 2014* ³⁶¹ (EDUCA-II)	Fair	ESP	Caregiver	238	62	Spouse: 49 Child: 45 Other: 6	77	12.9
Martin-Cook, 2005 ³⁶³	Fair	US	Caregiver + Patient	49	NR	Spouse: 92 Child: 6 Other: 2	70	19.4
Martindale-Adams, 2013* ³⁶⁴ (CONNECT)	Fair	US	Caregiver	154	66	Spouse: 72 Child: 23 Other: 5	84	15.4
<u> </u>	Fair	US	Family	406	71	Spouse: 100 Child: 0 Other: 0	60	NR
Nunez-Naveira, 2016* ³⁶⁶	Fair	DNK, POL, ESP	Caregiver	77	NR	Spouse: NR Child: NR Other: NR	64	NR
Ostwald, 1999 ³⁶⁷	Fair	US	Caregiver + Patient	117	66	Spouse: 66 Child: 28 Other: NR	65	NR
Roberts, 1999 ³⁶⁸	Fair	CAN	Caregiver	77	62	Spouse: 52 Child: 45 Other: NR	70	NR
Schoenmakers, 2010 ³⁶⁹	Fair	BEL	Caregiver	62	63	Spouse: 46 Child: 34 Other: 20	76	NR
Steffen, 2016*371	Good	US	Caregiver	74	60	Spouse: 52 Child: 43 Other: 10	100	NR
Spaulding-Wilson, 2018* ³⁷⁰	Fair	US	Caregiver	104	63	Spouse: 45 Child: 52 Other: 3	73	NR
Teri, 2005 ³⁷²	Fair	US	Caregiver	95	65	Spouse: 55 Child: 31 Other: 14	70	13.6
Tremont, 2015*373	Fair	US	Caregiver	250	63	Spouse: 51 Child: 42 Other: 7	78	NR
Ulstein, 2007 ³⁷⁴	Fair	NOR	Caregiver	180	65	Spouse: 70 Child: 28 Other: NR	64	20.8
Voigt-Radloff, 2011 ³⁷⁵	Fair	DEU	Caregiver + Patient	141	65	Spouse: 56 Child: 37 Other: 6	71	20.4
Waldorff, 2012 ³⁷⁶ (DAISY)	Good	DNK	Caregiver + Patient	330	66	Spouse: 65 Child: 26 Other: 9	67	24.1
Wang, 2011* ³⁷⁷	Fair	HKG	Caregiver + Patient	80	41	Spouse: 40 Child: 38 Other: 22	65	17.4

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Author, year	Quality	Country	Audience	N rand	Caregiver	Caregiver	Caregiver	Patient BL
(study name)					age, mean	type	female, %	MMSE, mean
Williams, 2010 ³⁷⁸	Fair	US	Caregiver	116	60	Spouse: 41 Child: 50 Other: 9	78	NR
Wilz, 2016* ³⁷⁹	Fair	DEU	Caregiver	176	62	Spouse: NR Child: NR Other: NR	82	NR
Wilz, 2018* ³⁸⁰ (Tele.TAnDem)	Good	DEU	Caregiver	273	64	Spouse: 60 Child: 38 Other: 2	81	NR
Wright, 2001 ³⁸¹	Fair	US	Caregiver	93	60	Spouse: 45 Child: 38 Other: 17	76	NR
Care/Case Manage	ement Into	ervention	S					
Bass, 2003 ³⁸²	Fair	US	Caregiver + Patient	182	NR	Spouse: NR Child: NR Other: NR	NR	NR
Callahan, 2006 ³⁸³	Fair	US	Caregiver + Patient	153	61	Spouse: 44 Child: 36 Other: 20	89	18.0
Chien, 2008* ³⁸⁵	Fair	HKG	Family	88	44	Spouse: 32 Child: 36 Other: 32	64	17.4
Chien, 2011* ³⁸⁴	Good	HKG	Caregiver + Patient	92	45	Spouse: 27 Child: 39 Other: 34	66	NR
Chu, 2000 ³⁸⁶	Fair	CAN	Caregiver + Patient	75	NR	Spouse: NR Child: NR Other: NR	73	22.8
Eloniemi-Sulkava, 2009 ³⁸⁸	Good	FIN	Caregiver + Patient	125	75	Spouse: 100 Child: 0 Other: NR	62	13.8
Eloniemi-Sulvaka, 2001 ³⁸⁷	Fair	FIN	Caregiver + Patient	100	64	Spouse: 56 Child: 34 Other: 10	69	14.8
Fortinsky, 2009 ³⁸⁹	Fair	US	Caregiver + Patient	84	62	Spouse: 45 Child: 46 Other: 9	69	NR
Jansen, 2011 ³⁹⁰	Fair	NLD	Caregiver + Patient	99	63	Spouse: 40 Child: 48 Other: 9	70	22.3
Lam, 2010 ³⁹¹	Fair	HKG	Caregiver + Patient	102	NR	Spouse: 29 Child: 60 Other: NR	74	17.8
Mavandadi, 2017*	Fair	US	Caregiver + Patient	75	70	Spouse: 83 Child: NR Other: NR	97	NR
Meewsen, 2012 ³⁹³ (AD-Euro)	Good	NLD	Caregiver + Patient		64	Spouse: 54 Child: 41 Other: 5	70	22.7
Menn, 2012 ³⁹⁴	Fair	DEU	Caregiver + Patient	390	59	Spouse: 32 Child: 59 Other: 9	73	18.7
Samus, 2014* ³⁹⁵ (MIND)	Fair	us	Caregiver + Patient	303	67	Spouse: 43 Child: 48 Other: 9	75	19.1

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Author, year	Quality	Country	Audience	N rand	Caregiver	Caregiver	Caregiver	Patient BL
(study name)					age, mean	type	female, %	MMSE, mean
Thyrian, 2017* ³⁹⁶ (DelpHi)	Fair	DEU	Caregiver + Patient		NR	Spouse: NR Child: NR Other: NR	NR	22.8
Vickrey, 2006 ³⁹⁷	Good	US	Caregiver + Patient		66	Spouse: 55 Child: 39 Other: 6	69	NR
Xiao, 2016* ³⁹⁸	Fair	AUS	Caregiver	72	56 [†]	Spouse: 26 Child: NR Other: NR	84	NR
Other Interventions	3							
Charlesworth, 2008 ³⁹⁹	Fair	GBR	Caregiver	236	68	Spouse: 67 Child: NR Other: NR	64	NR
Connell, 2009 ⁴⁰⁰	Fair	US	Caregiver	157	67	Spouse: 100 Child: 0 Other: NR	100	NR
Gitlin, 2018* ⁴⁰¹ (TAP-VA)	Fair	US	Caregiver + patient	160	72	Spouse: 87 Child: NR Other: 13	98	16.6
Hirano, 2011 ⁴⁰²	Fair	JPN	Caregiver	36	74	Spouse: NR Child: NR Other: NR	68	18.3
King, 2002 ⁴⁰³	Fair	US	Caregiver	100	63	Spouse: 53 Child: 47 Other: 0	100	NR
Leach, 2015* ⁴⁰⁴ (TRANSCENDENT)	Good	AUS	Caregiver	17	66	Spouse: 65 Child: 35 Other: 5	88	NR
LoGiudice, 1999 ⁴⁰⁵	Fair	AUS	Caregiver + Patient	50	61	Spouse: 54 Child: 36 Other: 10	78	17.0
Nourhashemi, 2010 ⁴⁰⁶ (PLASA)	Fair	FRA	Caregiver + Patient	1131	NR	Spouse: NR Child: NR Other: NR	NR	19.7
Pillemer, 2002 ⁴⁰⁷	Fair	US	Caregiver	147	58	Spouse: 40 Child: 60 Other: 0	71	NR
Prick, 2015* ⁴⁰⁸	Fair	NLD	Caregiver + Patient	111	72	Spouse: 90 Child: NR Other: 10	72	21.0
Spijker, 2011 ⁴⁰⁹	Good	NLD	Caregiver	301	59	Spouse: 28 Child: 52 Other: 6	73	NR
Teri, 2003 ⁴¹⁰	Good	US	Caregiver + Patient	153	NR	Spouse: NR Child: NR Other: NR	NR	16.7
Winter, 2006 ⁴¹¹	Fair	US	Caregiver	103	67	Spouse: 41 Child: NR Other: NR	100	NR

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: ACT = Advancing Caregiver Training; AENEAS = A European Network for the Evaluation of Alzheimer Support groups; ALSOVA = Alzheimer's Disease Follow-up Study; ANSWERS = Acquiring New Skills While Enhancing Remaining Strengths; AUS = Australia; AUT = Austria; BL = baseline; BEL = Belgium; CAN = Canada; CHE = Chile;

[†] Median

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CONNECT = Telephone Support for Dementia Caregivers; COPE = Care of Persons with Dementia in their Environments; DAISY = Danish Alzheimer Intervention Study; DelpHi = Dementia: Life- and Person-Centered Help in Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania; DEU = Germany; DNK = Denmark; ESP = Spain; FIN = Finland; FRA = France; GBR = Great Britain/United Kingdom; GE-REACH = German Adaptation of Resources for Enhancing Alzheimer's Caregiver Health; HKG = Hong Kong; JPN = Japan; MIND = Maximizing Independence at Home; MT4C = My Tools 4 Care; N rand = number of participants randomized; NLD = Netherlands; NOR = Norway; NR = not reported; NYUCI = New York University Caregiver Intervention; NYUCI-AC = New York University Caregiver Intervention-Adult Child; PLASA = Plan de Soin et d'Aide dans la maladie d'Alzheimer or "Specific Care and Assistance Plan for Alzheimer Disease"; POL = Poland; REACH = Resources for Enhancing Alzheimer's Caregiver Health; START = STrAtegies for RelaTives; TAP-VA = Tailored-Activity Program-Veterans Affairs; Tele.TAnDem = Telephone-based CBT for Family Caregivers of People With Dementia; TRANSCENDENT = Transcendental Meditation for the improvement of health and wellbeing in community-dwelling dementia caregivers; TWN = Taiwan

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Country		Audience	• • •		Brief control group description
Intervent	71			,	
GBR	Individual psychoeducation			2	BI: One 60-min general support session to discuss any issues identified at the point of referral.
US	Individual psychoeducation		and support through nine 90-min in-home sessions and three 30-min telephone sessions plus 5 structured telephone support group	6	BI: Educational materials and two 15-min phone calls.
DEU	Individual psychoeducation		social support through nine 90-min in-home	6	UC: Care as usual corresponding with available services determined by German Care Insurance.
US	Telehealth psychoeducation		moderated support ("ComputerLink") with access	12	BI: In-person training on identifying local services and resources
NOR	Individual psychoeducation	+ Patient	and support through five 60-min individual counseling sessions, 2 half-day seminars, and	12	BI: Information on local services.
US	Individual psychoeducation		group workshop, eleven 60-min in-home	12	BI: Minimal support control delivered through five 15-min telephone calls focused on empathetic and active listening and generic educational materials.
US	Telehealth psychoeducation	Caregiver	Videos demonstrating assisted modeling behaviors specific to dressing and eating plus reinforcing telephone calls 1 d/wk over 12 weeks.	3	MI: Telephone calls on same schedule as intervention (1 d/wk over 12 weeks) to assess general well-being, but offered no specific strategies for dressing or eating.
TWN	Group-based psychoeducation		through 12 weekly group sessions over 3 months.	3	UC: Standard care provided in Taiwan (not described).
US	IG1: Group- based psychoeducation IG2: Group- based		anger management through 8 weekly 120-min sessions over 4 months.	4	WL: Offered either anger management or depression management intervention after study ended.
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Author, year Quality	Country	Intervention	Audience	Brief intervention group description	Duration, months	Brief control group description
Cristancho-Lacroix, 2015* ³³⁴ Fair	FRA	Telehealth psychoeducation		Computer-based psychoeducation program and support ("Diapason") with 12 sessions intended for 1 d/wk, 15-30 min/d for 3 months.	3	WL: Offered intervention after study ended.
De Rotrou, 2011 ³³⁵ Fair		Group-based psychoeducation		Group-based psychoeducation through 12 weekly 120-min sessions over 3 months.	3	WL: Offered intervention after study ended.
Duggleby, 2018* ³³⁷ Fair	CAN	Individual psychoeducation	Caregiver	Self-administered web-based psychoeducation for 3 months	3	WL: Participants received a copy of the publicly available Alzheimer's Society's "The Progression of Alzheimer's Disease" booklet via email and were offered access to the intervention website after three months.
Ducharme, 2011 ³³⁶ Fair	CAN	Individual psychoeducation		Individual-based "Learning to Become a Family Caregiver" program consisting of psychoeducation sessions for 1 d/wk, 90 min/d over 7 weeks.	2	UC: Usual care provided by memory clinics including referrals to local services.
Finkel, 2007 ³³⁸ Fair	US	Telehealth psychoeducation	Caregiver	Computer- and telephone-based psychoeducation and moderated support ("Computer-Telephone Integration System") including 2 in-home sessions and 12 sessions conducted via computer/telephone over 6 months.	6	BI: Basic educational materials and 2 brief telephone check-in calls.
Fung, 2002* ³³⁹ Fair	HKG	Group-based psychoeducation	Caregiver	Group-based psychoeducation program through 12 weekly 60-min sessions over 3 months.	3	UC: Standard family services provided by dementia care center (Hong Kong) including culturally tailored medical assessment and treatment, advice and referrals to social welfare services, and monthly educational talks in dementia care and social and recreational activities
Gallagher- Thompson, 2003 ³⁴⁰ Fair	US	Group-based psychoeducation		Group-based "Coping with Caregiving" psychoeducation class through 10 weekly 120-min group sessions followed by 8 monthly 120-min booster sessions over 10 months.	10	MI: Written educational materials and brief, regularly scheduled empathetic telephone support calls.
Gallagher- Thompson, 2008 ³⁴¹ Fair	US	Group-based psychoeducation		Group-based "Coping with Caregiving" psychoeducation class through 12 weekly 120-min classes over 4 months.	4	MI: Written educational materials and seven 15-30 min empathetic telephone support calls.
Gallagher- Thompson, 2010* ³⁴² Good	US	Telehealth psychoeducation	Caregiver	Culturally-tailored psychoeducational/ cognitive behavioral skill training program delivered via 150 min DVD with 3 telephone check-in calls.	3	AC: General 150-min DVD on dementia with 3 telephone check-in calls.

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Author, year	Country	Intervention	Audience			Brief control group description
Quality		type			months	
Garand, 2014* ³⁴³ Fair	US	Individual psychoeducation	Caregiver	Individual problem-solving therapy including 6 in- person sessions, 90 min/session over 3 months followed by 3 telephone contacts, 45 min/call over 1.5 months.	4.5	AC: In-person and telephone counseling focused on nutrition following same schedule as intervention (6 in-person sessions and 3 telephone contacts).
Gaugler, 2013* ³⁴⁴ Fair	US	Family-based psychoeducation	Family	"New York University Caregiver Intervention - adapted for adult child caregivers" consisting of 6 individual and family counseling sessions, support group participation, and ad hoc counseling in-person or via phone or e-mail over 4 months.	4	MI: Biannual project newsletter and quarterly check-in calls including ad hoc consultations as necessary.
Gitlin, 2001 ³⁴⁵ Fair	US	Individual psychoeducation		Individual in-person psychoeducation sessions and home environmental modifications during five 90-min biweekly home visits over 3 months.	3	UC: Usual care not described; given education materials and booklet describing home environmental safety tips after study was over.
Gitlin, 2003 ³⁴⁷ Fair	us	Individual psychoeducation		Individual-based "Environment Skill-Building Program" including psychoeducation, problemsolving training, and adaptive equipment provided through five 90-min home visits and one 30-min telephone call over 6 months followed by maintenance sessions over another 6 months.	12	UC: Usual care not described; given information on local resources.
Gitlin, 2008 ³⁴⁶ Fair	US	Individual psychoeducation		Individual-based "Tailored Activity Program" including customized activities to address neuropsychiatric and functional needs through six 90-min home visits and two 150-min telephone contacts over 4 months.	4	WL: Offered intervention after study ended.
Gitlin, 2010 ⁴⁶⁰ Fair	US	Individual psychoeducation		Individual-based intervention including assessments, caregiver education, and caregiver training for up to 10 occupational therapy home visits and 1 in-person and 1 telephone call with a nurse over 4 months.	4	MI: Up to 3 20-min telephone calls and mailed materials.
Gitlin, 2010 ³⁴⁸ Fair	US	Individual psychoeducation	Caregiver	Individual-based "Advancing Caregiver Training" consisting of activities to address patient-, caregiver-, and environmental-based needs through up to 9 occupational therapy visits, 1 inhome and 1 telephone nursing session, and 3 brief telephone contacts over 4 months.	6	None: Offered 2-hr in-home workshop involving education and tips for managing problem behaviors after study ended.
Graff, 2006 ³⁴⁹ Fair	NLD	Individual psychoeducation		In-home, individual-based occupational therapy during ten 60-min sessions over 5 weeks.	1	WL: Offered intervention after study ended.

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Author, year	Country	Intervention	Audience	O	Duration,	Brief control group description
Quality		type			months	
Hebert, 2003 ³⁵⁰ Fair	CAN	Group-based psychoeducation		Group-based psychoeducation through 15 weekly 120-min sessions over 4 months.	4	UC: Referred to regular support group program offered by local Alzheimer's Society (Canada) or health care organizations in their region.
Hepburn, 2005 ³⁵¹ Fair	US	Group-based psychoeducation	Caregiver	"Partners in Caregiving" group-based psychoeducation program through 6 weekly 120-min sessions over 6 weeks.	1.5	WL: Offered intervention after study ended.
Joling, 2012 ³⁵² Fair	NLD	Family-based psychoeducation		Family- and individual-based counseling through 2 individual counseling session and 4 family counseling sessions over 1 year.	12	UC: Standard care provided by the Netherland's community health services, which does not include support groups.
Judge, 2013* ³⁵³ Fair	US	Individual psychoeducation	+ Patient	and cognitive rehabilitation program consisting of six 90-min individual sessions over 3 months.	3	BI: Standardized education resource packet and information on local resources.
Koivisto, 2016* ³⁵⁴ Fair	FIN	Group-based psychoeducation	+ Patient	through 4 group-based courses (for 16 days total) over 2 years.	24	UC: Basic counseling by a memory nurse at time of diagnosis and followed up with their normal healthcare system.
Kurz, 2010 ³⁵⁵ Fair	AUT, DEU, CHE	Group-based psychoeducation		Group-based psychoeducation through 7 bi- weekly 90-min sessions and 6 bi-monthly refresher sessions over 15 months.	15	UC: One standard individual counseling session.
Kwok, 2013* ³⁵⁶ Fair	HKG	Telehealth psychoeducation		Telephone-based psychoeducation and training for 1 d/wk, 30 min/d plus educational DVD over 12 weeks.	3	BI: Educational DVD about dementia caregiving.
Laakkonen, 2016* ³⁵⁷ Fair	FIN	Group-based psychoeducation	_	Group-based psychoeducation and support through 8 weekly 4-hr sessions over 8 weeks.	2	UC: Standard care provided by Finnish health and social service system.
Livingston, 2013* ³⁵ Good	⁸ GBR	Individual psychoeducation		Individual-based "START" psychoeducation and support program consisting of eight 60-min inhome sessions over 2-3 months.	2-3	UC: Standard care for the family member with dementia including pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic treatment and caregiver support.
Losada, 2010 ³⁵⁹ Fair	ESP	Group-based psychoeducation		Group-based psychoeducation through 12 weekly 90-120-min sessions over 3 months.	3	UC: Standard care or assistance provided by social and health centers in Spain plus offered intervention after study ended.
Mariott, 2000 ³⁶⁰ Fair	GBR	Individual psychoeducation		Individual-based psychoeducation during 14 sessions every other week over 7 months.	7	None: No intervention.
Martin-Carrasco, 2009 ³⁶² Fair	ESP	Individual psychoeducation		Individual-based "Psychoeducational Intervention Program" through eight 90-min sessions over 4 months.	4	UC: Standard care for caregivers including information on dementia and local resources and on-demand in-person and phone support.

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Author, year	Country	Intervention	Audience			Brief control group description
Quality	E00	type			months	
Martin-Carrasco,	ESP	Group-based		Group-based "Psychoeducational Intervention	3	UC: Standard care from day center or
2014* ³⁶¹		psychoeducation		Program" consisting of 7 sessions, 90-120-min		memory clinic including information for
Fair				each over 3 months.†	4	caregivers.
Martin-Cook,	US	Individual		Individual-based psychoeducation through 4	1	WL: Given information on local resources
2005 ³⁶³		psychoeducation	+ Patient	weekly sessions over 1 month.		and offered intervention after study ended.
Fair			<u></u>			
	US	Telehealth		, , , , ,	12	BI: General print materials on dementia
2013*364		psychoeducation		support through fourteen 60-min telephone group		and safety and information on local
Fair				sessions plus workbook over 12 months.		resources; offered intervention workbook
						and one workshop after study ended.
Mittelman, 2004*365	US	Family-based		Family- and individual-based counseling through	≥4	UC: Standard services provided by the
Fair		psychoeducation		two 60-180-min individual counseling sessions		NYU Alzheimer's Disease Center including
				and four 60-180-min family counseling sessions,		information and advice on request plus
				weekly support groups, and ad hoc counseling as		access to same support groups and ad
				needed over 4 months.		hoc counseling provided to intervention
						group.
Nunez-Naveira,	DNK,	Telehealth	Caregiver	App-based psychoeducation and support	3	None: No intervention.
2016* ³⁶⁶	POL,	psychoeducation		("UnderstAID application") with 5 different		
Fair	ESP			learning modules, a calendar and note-taking		
				section, a moderated social networking section,		
				and options for receiving personalized feedback.		
Ostwald, 1999 ³⁶⁷	US	Group-based	Caregiver	"Minnesota Family Workshop" group-based	3	WL: Offered intervention after study
Fair		psychoeducation	+ Patient	psychoeducation program through 7 weekly 120-		ended.
		[min sessions over 7 weeks.		
Roberts, 1999 ³⁶⁸	CAN	Individual	Caregiver	Individual-based problem-solving training through	6	UC: Access to community and respite
Fair		psychoeducation		up to 10 in-home or telephone sessions over 6		services by other nurses and volunteer
				months.		agencies.
Schoenmakers,	BEL	Individual	Caregiver		12	UC: Access to usual care systems.
2010 ³⁶⁹		psychoeducation		through 4 home visits and 12 telephone calls	-	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Fair				over 1 year and ad-hoc care counselor support.		
Spaulding-Wilson,	US	Group-based			0.07	WL: Offered intervention after study
2018* ³⁷⁰		psychoeducation	ou.og.vo.	day workshop.	0.01	ended.
Fair		, 51.100440411011		3,		
Steffen, 2016*371	US	Telehealth	Caregiver	Video- and telephone-based psychoeducation	3	MI: Basic education and support via an
Good		psychoeducation		consisting of ten 30-min video segments, a		Alzheimer's Basic Care Guide and seven
		, 511000000011011		workbook, and ten telephone calls over 14		20-min telephone calls every other week.
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Author, year	Country	Intervention	Audience	Brief intervention group description	Duration,	Brief control group description
Quality		type			months	
Teri, 2005 ³⁷² Fair	US	Individual psychoeducation	Caregiver	Individual-based psychoeducation program "STAR-Caregivers" consisting of 8 weekly in- home treatment sessions followed by 4 monthly phone calls over 6 months.	6	UC: Standard medical care including nonspecific advice and support routinely provided by nurses and primary physicians or community support services with no specific behavior-management training.
Tremont, 2015* ³⁷³ Fair	US	Telehealth psychoeducation	Caregiver	Individual, telephone-based psychoeducation provided over sixteen 30-60 min calls over 6 months.	6	MI: Non-directive telephone support following same schedule as intervention (sixteen 30-60 min calls over 6 months).
Ulstein, 2007 ³⁷⁴ Fair	NOR	Group-based psychoeducation	J	Group-based psychoeducation consisting of one 3-hr educational program and six 2-hr group meetings over 4.5 months.	4.5	UC: Patients received standard memory clinic care and caregivers were offered to talk with an experienced nurse and offered advice and ad hoc counseling as needed.
Voigt-Radloff, 2011 ³⁷⁵ Fair	DEU	Individual psychoeducation	+ Patient	Individual-based psychoeducation and support through three home visits and two telephone calls over 1 year.	1.25	MI: Usual care and 60 min of community occupational therapy consultation.
Waldorff, 2012 ³⁷⁶ Good	DNK	Group-based psychoeducation	+ Patient	Individual- and group-based psychoeducation and support through up to 7 individual counseling sessions for both patient and caregiver, five 2-hr educational group courses, and up to 8 followup phone calls over 8-12 months.	8-12	BI: General information and guidance about dementia and information and referral to local resources at 6 and 12 months.
Wang, 2011* ³⁷⁷ Fair	HKG	Group-based psychoeducation	+ Patient	Group-based psychoeducation program "Family Mutual Support Programme in Dementia Care" through 8 bi-weekly 120-min sessions over 6 months.		UC: Standard family services provided by dementia care center (Hong Kong) including culturally tailored medical assessment and treatment, advice and referrals to social welfare services, and monthly educational talks in dementia care and social and recreational activities.
Williams, 2010 ³⁷⁸ Fair	US	Telehealth psychoeducation		Video- and telephone-based psychoeducation consisting of ten 7-10-min video segments, a workbook, and five telephone calls over 5 weeks.	1.25	WL: Offered intervention after study ended.
Wilz, 2016* ³⁷⁹ Fair	DEU	Telehealth psychoeducation	Caregiver		3	BI: Written educational material on dementia, dementia caregiving, and local resources.
Wilz, 2018* ³⁸⁰ Good	DEU	Telehealth psychoeducation	Caregiver	Telephone-based psychoeducation and training through 12 50-min sessions over 6 months.	6	UC: Written educational material about dementia and caregiving.

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Author, year Quality	Country	Intervention type	Audience	Brief intervention group description	Duration, months	Brief control group description
Wright, 2001 ³⁸¹ Fair	US	Individual psychoeducation	Caregiver	Individual-based psychoeducation and support through three home visits and two telephone calls over 1 year.	12	None: No intervention.
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Bass, 2003 ³⁸² Fair	US	Care/Case Management + Psychoeducation		Partnership between local Alzheimer's Association and managed care plan to provide care consultation and individualized treatment plans to families over 1 year through regular telephone calls (12 calls per year on average).	12	UC: Standard care provided by managed care and ability to contact Alzheimer's Association on their own.
Callahan, 2006 ³⁸³ Fair	US	Care/Case Management + Psychoeducation		Care management for patients and caregivers including pharmacotherapy treatment and individualized caregiver psychoeducation and support through monthly in-person sessions and telephone-based support groups over 1 year.	12	MI: Augmented usual care including 40-90 min of counseling by geriatric nurse practitioner, written consultation note to PCP communicating results of diagnostic assessment, and materials describing local resources.
Chien, 2008* ³⁸⁵ Fair	HKG	Care/Case Management + Psychoeducation	Family	Care management for patients and caregivers including assessment, education, support, and referrals including twelve 2-hr group sessions and monthly home visits over 6 months.	6	MI: Routine care provided by Hong Kong Dementia Care Center including pharmacotherapy, social and recreational activities, and materials for caregivers plus 6 monthly psychoeducation group sessions for caregivers.
Chien, 2011* ³⁸⁴ Good	HKG	Care/Case Management + Psychoeducation	+ Patient	Dementia Family Care Programme including assessment, education, support, and referrals including ten 2-hr individual sessions.	6	MI: Routine care provided by Hong Kong Dementia Care Center including pharmacotherapy, social and recreational activities, and materials for caregivers plus 6 monthly psychoeducation group sessions for caregivers.
Chu, 2000 ³⁸⁶ Fair	CAN	Care/Case Management + Psychoeducation	_	Multicomponent "Early Home Care Program" including case management with education, referrals to community services, ongoing monitoring, supportive counseling, and skills training through monthly in-person or telephone contacts in addition to conventional home care (occupational and physical therapy, respite care, personal care assistance, social work, nursing) over 1.5 years.	18	UC: Conventional home care program provided by local Canadian Home Care Program, but not including case management.

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Author, year	_	Intervention	Audience	Brief intervention group description	1	Brief control group description
Quality		type			months	
				physician suggested that caregiver attend support groups and receive counseling for up to 1 year.		
Samus, 2014* ³⁹⁵ Fair	US	Care/Case Management + Psychoeducation	+ Patient	Dementia Care Needs Assessment and care coordination including two home visits and monthly contact with families over 18 months.	18	MI: Received results of Dementia Care Needs Assessment, recommendations for each unmet need, and brief resource guide with local and national aging organizations.
Thyrian, 2017* ³⁹⁶ Fair		Care/Case Management + Psychoeducation		Care management and interdisciplinary collaboration including assessment and individualized treatment plans, medication management, and caregiver support including 6 home visits over 6 months and ongoing telephone support for remaining 6 months.	12	UC: Usual primary care provided to patients and caregivers in Germany (not described).
Vickrey, 2006 ³⁹⁷ Good		Care/Case Management + Psychoeducation	Caregiver + Patient	Care coordination for 18 months including communication within and between organizations, Internet-based care management, collaborative care planning with caregivers, caregiver self-management support, ongoing follow-up, and provider education.	18	UC: Usual care provided by primary care clinics.
Xiao, 2016* ³⁹⁸ Fair	AUS	Care/Case Management + Psychoeducation		Extending usual care coordination for patient to also support caregivers through quarterly home visits and monthly telephone calls over 1 year.	12	UC: Care coordination for patient provided as part of usual care in Australia and optional activities for caregivers including monthly support group meetings and information sessions.
Other Intervention	าร					
Charlesworth, 2008 ³⁹⁹ Fair		Social support		"Befriending" intervention matching trained volunteers with caregivers to provide emotional and informational support through weekly home visits over at least 6 months.	6	UC: Standard care provided by local health, social, or voluntary services.
Connell, 2009 ⁴⁰⁰ Fair	US	Physical activity counseling	Caregiver	"Health First" video- and telephone-based counseling to encourage physical activity provided through 14 telephone calls over 6 months.	6	None: No intervention.
Gitlin, 2018* ⁴⁰¹ Fair	US	Multidisciplinary assessment	Caregiver + patient	Multidisciplinary assessment and tailored care plan involving 8 treatment sessions over 4 months.	4	MI: Biweekly telephone-based dementia education sessions (8 30-min contacts) over 4 months.

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Author, year Quality	Country	Intervention type	Audience	Brief intervention group description	Duration, months	Brief control group description
Hirano, 2011 ⁴⁰² Fair	JPN	Physical activity counseling	Caregiver	One-time prescription to participate in moderate- intensity physical activity 3 times per week over the course of 3 months.	3	MI: Carried a pedometer that recorded daily steps and asked to record their daily progress of exercise amount in a journal.
King, 2002 ⁴⁰³ Fair	US	Physical activity counseling	Caregiver	Prescription to participate in moderate-intensity physical activity at least 4 d/wk, 30-40 min/d provided through weekly and then monthly telephone calls plus daily logs over 12 months.	12	AC: Nutrition education provided at same intensity as intervention (weekly and then monthly telephone calls) over 12 months.
Leach, 2015* ⁴⁰⁴ Good	AUS	Other	Caregiver	Transcendental Meditation® program delivered in-person through twelve 30-90 min sessions over 3 months.	3	None: Offered 4-week healthy lifestyle education program (4 weekly 90-min sessions) after study ended.
LoGiudice, 1999 ⁴⁰⁵ Fair	AUS	Assessment and Treatment Planning	Caregiver + Patient	Attended hospital memory clinic on 2 occasions for assessment and referral to appropriate services.	NR	UC: Patients received same medical and cognitive assessments and caregivers received same interview as intervention group and all questions were answered and referrals back to primary care physician were encouraged.
Nourhashemi, 2010 ⁴⁰⁶ Fair	FRA	Multidisciplinary assessment and treatment plan	Caregiver + Patient	Multidisciplinary assessment and tailored care plan once every 6 months over 24 months.	24	UC: Standard medical care provided at community health centers.
Pillemer, 2002 ⁴⁰⁷ Fair	US	Social support	Caregiver	"Peer Support Project" providing one-on-one peer support through up to 8 weekly 120-min visits over 2 months.	2	None: No intervention.
Prick, 2015* ⁴⁰⁸ Fair	NLD	Multicomponent dyadic		Multicomponent dyadic intervention including exercise training, psychoeducation, communication skills training and pleasant skills training through eight 1-hr in-home sessions over 3 months.	3	BI: Monthly mailings with general information and 3 monthly 10-min telephone calls to provide emotional support.
Spijker, 2011 ⁴⁰⁹ Good	NLD	Provider training	Caregiver	"Systematic Care Program for Dementia" consisting of training professionals in the assessment of and strategies for reducing caregiver burden including screening, psychosocial support, and care coordination with medical, home, and respite care.	12	UC: Standard care provided by the Netherland's community mental health services (not described).
Teri, 2003 ⁴¹⁰ Good	US	Multicomponent dyadic		Multicomponent dyadic intervention including an exercise intervention for patients and caregiver psychoeducation through twelve 60-min in-home visits over the first 3 months and three 60-min followup sessions over the next 3 months.	6	UC: Monthly mailings with general information and 3 monthly 10-min telephone calls to provide emotional support.

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Author, year	Country	Intervention	Audience	Brief intervention group description	Duration,	Brief control group description
Quality		type			months	
Winter, 2006 ⁴¹¹	US	Social support	Caregiver	Telephone-based group social support through	6	None: No intervention.
Fair				26 weekly telephone calls over 6 months.		

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: AC = attention control; AUS = Australia; AUT = Austria; BI = brief intervention; BL = baseline; BEL = Belgium; CAN = Canada; CHE = Chile; DEU = Germany; d = day; DNK = Denmark; ESP = Spain; FIN = Finland; FRA = France; GBR = Great Britain/United Kingdom; HKG = Hong Kong; hr = hour; IG = intervention groups; JPN = Japan; MI = minimal intervention; min = minute; NLD = Netherlands; NOR = Norway; NR = not reported; NYU = New York University; POL = Poland; TWN = Taiwan; UC = usual care; wk = week; WL = waitlist

[†] Based on "Coping with Caregiving" Intervention tested in Gallagher-Thompson, 2003 and Gallagher-Thompson, 2008

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Author, year	Intervention Type	N	FU	Caregiver	Caregiver	Caregiver	Patient	Patient Mental	Other Patient
Quality		rand	(mo.) [†]	Burden	Mental Health Symptoms	QOL	Institutionalization	Health and Behavioral Symptoms	Outcomes
Psychoeducation									
Interventions									
Barnes, 2018* ³²⁵	Individual	55	3	NR	↔ (A, D)	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	NR
	psychoeducation								
Belle, 2006 ³²⁶	Individual	642	6	NR	↑ (D)	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
	psychoeducation								
Berwig, 2017*327	Individual	92	9	↑	↔ (A, D)	\leftrightarrow	NR	↑ (NPS)	NR
	psychoeducation								
Brennan, 1995 ³²⁸	Telehealth	102	12	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
	psychoeducation								
Bruvik, 2013*329	Individual	230	12	NR	↔ (D)	NR	NR	↔ (D)	NR
Good	psychoeducation								
Burgio, 2003 ³³⁰	Individual	140	6	Black: ↔	Black: ↔ (A, D)	NR	NR	Black: ↔ (NPS)	NR
	psychoeducation			White: ↔	White: \leftrightarrow (A, D)			White: ↔ (NPS)	
Chang, 1999 ³³¹	Telehealth	87	3	NR	↔ (A, D)	NR	NR	NR	↔ (ADL)
Fair	psychoeducation								, ,
Chu, 2011 ³³²	Group-based	85	4	\leftrightarrow	↑ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
	psychoeducation								
Coon, 2003 ³³³	Group-based	169	6	NR	IG1: ↔ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Fair	psychoeducation				IG2: ↔ (D)				
Cristancho-	Telehealth	49	6	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D, PS)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	NR
Lacroix, 2015* ³³⁴	psychoeducation								
Fair									
De Rotrou, 2011 ³³⁵	Group-based	157	6	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	\leftrightarrow (GCF), \leftrightarrow
Fair	psychoeducation								(ADL/IADL)
Ducharme,	Individual	121	8	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
2011 ³³⁶	psychoeducation								
Fair									
Duggleby,	Individual	199	6	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	NR
2018* ³³⁷	psychoeducation								
Fair									
Finkel, 2007 ³³⁸	Telehealth	46	6	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
	psychoeducation								
Fung, 2002* ³³⁹	Group-based	60	4	↑	NR	↑	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
Fair	psychoeducation								

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Author, year Quality	Intervention Type	N rand	FU (mo.) [†]	Caregiver Burden	Caregiver Mental Health Symptoms	Caregiver QOL	Patient Institutionalization	Behavioral	Other Patient Outcomes
Gallagher- Thompson, 2003 ³⁴⁰ Fair	Group-based psychoeducation	257	6	Hisp: ↔ White: ↔	Hisp: \leftrightarrow (D) White: \leftrightarrow (D)	NR	NR	Symptoms NR	NR
Gallagher- Thompson, 2008 ³⁴¹ Fair	Group-based psychoeducation	184	6	Hisp: ↔ White: ↔	Hisp: \leftrightarrow (D, PS) White: \leftrightarrow (D, PS)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Gallagher- Thompson, 2010* ³⁴² Good	Telehealth psychoeducation	76	4	↑	↔ (D)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	NR
Garand, 2014* ³⁴³ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	73	12	NR	MCI pt: ↑ (A, D) Dem pt: ↑ (A, D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Gaugler, 2013* ³⁴⁴ Fair	Family-based psychoeducation	107	18/36	1	↑ (D)	\leftrightarrow	<u> </u>	↔ (NPS)	NR
Gitlin, 2001 ³⁴⁵ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	202	3	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	↔ (ADL, IADL)
Gitlin, 2003 ³⁴⁷ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	255	6	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	↔ (ADL, IADL)
Gitlin, 2008 ³⁴⁶ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	60	4	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	NR	↔ (D, NPS)	↔ (Pt QOL)
Gitlin, 2010 ³⁴⁸ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	272	4	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	↑ (ADL/IADL), ↔ (ADL), ↑ (IADL)
Gitlin, 2010 ⁴⁶⁰ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	237	6	↑	↑ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Graff, 2006 ³⁴⁹ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	135	3	NR	↑ (D, PM)	1	NR	↑ (D)	↑ (ADL/IADL)
Hebert, 2003 ³⁵⁰ Fair	Group-based psychoeducation	144	4	\leftrightarrow	↔ (A)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	NR
Hepburn, 2005 ³⁵¹ Fair		215	12	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Joling, 2012 ³⁵² Fair	Family-based psychoeducation	192	17	NR	↔ (A, D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Judge, 2013* ³⁵³ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	128	3	NR	↑ (D)	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	NR

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Quality	Intervention Type	N rand	FU (mo.) [†]	Caregiver Burden	Caregiver Mental Health Symptoms	Caregiver QOL	Institutionalization	Patient Mental Health and Behavioral Symptoms	Other Patient Outcomes
	Group-based psychoeducation	236	36	NR	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
Kurz, 2010 ³⁵⁵ Fair	Group-based psychoeducation	292	15	NR	↔ (D)	\leftrightarrow	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
Kwok, 2013* ³⁵⁶ Fair	Telehealth psychoeducation	42	3	↑	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Laakkonen,	Group-based psychoeducation	136	9	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	NR
Livingston, 2013* ³⁵⁸ Good	Individual psychoeducation	260	24	NR	↔ (A, D, PM)	NR	NR	NR	↔ (Pt QOL)
	Group-based psychoeducation	167	3	NR	↑ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Mariott, 2000 ³⁶⁰ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	28	12	NR	↑ (D, PM)	NR	NR	↔ (D)	↔ (GCF), ↑ (ADL/IADL)
Martin-Carrasco, 2009 ³⁶² Fair	Individual psychoeducation	115	10	↑	↑ (PM)	↑ ‡	NR	NR	NR
Martin-Carrasco,	Group-based psychoeducation	238	4	\leftrightarrow	↔ (PM)	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	NR
Martin-Cook,	Individual psychoeducation	49	4	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	NR	NR	
Martindale-Adams, 2013* ³⁶⁴ Fair	Telehealth psychoeducation	154	12	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Mittelman,	Family-based psychoeducation	406	48/60	\uparrow	↑ (D)	NR	↑	↔ (NPS)	NR
Nunez-Naveira,	Telehealth psychoeducation	77	3	NR	↔ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Ostwald, 1999 ³⁶⁷	Group-based psychoeducation	117	5	\leftrightarrow	↑ (D)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	↔ (GCF)

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Author, year Quality	Intervention Type	rand	FU (mo.) [†]	Caregiver Burden	Caregiver Mental Health Symptoms	Caregiver QOL	Institutionalization	Behavioral Symptoms	Other Patient Outcomes
Roberts, 1999 ³⁶⁸ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	77	12	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Schoenmakers, 2010 ³⁶⁹ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	62	12	NR	↑ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Steffen, 2016*371 Good	Telehealth psychoeducation	74	9	↑	↑ (A, D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Spaulding-Wilson, 2018* ³⁷⁰ Fair	Group-based psychoeducation	104	6	\leftrightarrow	$\uparrow (PS), \leftrightarrow (A, D)$	NR	NR	NR	NR
Teri, 2005 ³⁷² Fair	Individual psychoeducation	95	6	↑	↑ (D)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	↔ (Pt QOL)
Tremont, 2015*373 Fair	Telehealth psychoeducation	250	6	1	↑ (D)	\leftrightarrow	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
Ulstein, 2007 ³⁷⁴ Fair	Group-based psychoeducation	180	12	NR	↔ (PS)	NR	\leftrightarrow	↔ (NPS)	NR
Voigt-Radloff, 2011 ³⁷⁵ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	141	6, 12	NR	↔ (D)	\leftrightarrow	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	↔ (ADL/IADL), ↔ (Pt QOL)
Waldorff, 2012 ³⁷⁶ Good	Group-based psychoeducation	330	36	NR	↔ (D)	\leftrightarrow	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D, NPS)	\leftrightarrow (GCF), \uparrow (ADL/IADL), \leftrightarrow (Pt QOL)
Wang, 2011* ³⁷⁷ Fair	Group-based psychoeducation	80	6	↑	NR	1	NR	NR	↔ (GCF)
Williams, 2010 ³⁷⁸ Fair	Telehealth psychoeducation	116	6	NR	↔ (A, D, PS)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Wilz, 2016* ³⁷⁹ Fair	Telehealth psychoeducation	176	6	NR	↔ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Wilz, 2018* ³⁸⁰ Good	Telehealth psychoeducation	273	12	NR	↔ (D)	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	NR
Wright, 2001 ³⁸¹ Fair	Individual psychoeducation	93	12	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
	ement Intervention	ns							
Bass, 2003 ³⁸² Fair	Care/Case Management	182	12	NR	↑ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Callahan, 2006 ³⁸³ Fair	Care/Case Management	153	17	\leftrightarrow	↑ (D)	NR	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D), ↑ (NPS)	↔ (GCF), ↔ (ADL/IADL)

Table 21. Caregiver and Caregiver-Patient Dyad Interventions: Summary of Results, by Intervention (KQ 4 and 5)

Quality	Intervention Type	N rand	FU (mo.) [†]	Caregiver Burden	Caregiver Mental Health Symptoms	Caregiver QOL	Patient Institutionalization	Patient Mental Health and Behavioral Symptoms	Other Patient Outcomes
Chien, 2008*385		88	12	↑	NR	↑	↑	↑ (NPS)	↔ (GCF)
Fair	Management								
	Care/Case Management	92	18	↑	NR	↑	1	↑ (NPS)	↔ (GCF)
Chu, 2000 ³⁸⁶ Fair	Care/Case Management	75	17	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
,	Care/Case Management	125	24	NR	NR	NR	↔ §	NR	NR
,	Care/Case Management	100	12	NR	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
•	Care/Case Management	84	12	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
Jansen, 2011 ³⁹⁰ Fair	Care/Case Management	99	12	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	↔ (Pt QOL)
Lam, 2010 ³⁹¹ Fair	Care/Case Management	102	12	1	↔ (PM)	\leftrightarrow	NR	↔ (D, NPS)	↔ (GCF), ↔ (Pt QOL)
Mavandadi, 2017* ³⁹² Fair	Care/Case Management	75	6	↑	NR	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	NR
Meewsen, 2012 ³⁹³ Good	Care/Case Management	175	12	NR	↑ (A, D)	\leftrightarrow	NR	↔ (D)	↔ (GCF), ↔ (ADL/IADL)
Menn, 2012 ³⁹⁴		390	24	↔	NR	NR	IG1: ↔ IG2: ↔	NR	$\begin{array}{c} IG1: \leftrightarrow (GCF), \leftrightarrow \\ (ADL), \leftrightarrow (IADL), \leftrightarrow \\ (Pt \ QOL) \\ IG2: \leftrightarrow (GCF), \leftrightarrow \\ (ADL), \leftrightarrow (IADL), \leftrightarrow \\ (Pt \ QOL) \end{array}$
· ·	Care/Case Management	303	12, 18	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	\leftrightarrow	↑	↔ (D, NPS)	↑ (Pt QOL)
Thyrian, 2017*396		516	12	\uparrow	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	↑ (D)	\leftrightarrow (GCF), \leftrightarrow (ADL/IADL), \leftrightarrow (Pt QOL)
Vickrey, 2006 ³⁹⁷ Good	Care/Case Management	408	17	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	↑ (Pt QOL)

Table 21. Caregiver and Caregiver-Patient Dyad Interventions: Summary of Results, by Intervention (KQ 4 and 5)

Author, year Quality	Intervention Type	N rand	FU (mo.) [†]	Caregiver Burden	Caregiver Mental Health Symptoms	Caregiver QOL	Institutionalization	Behavioral Symptoms	Other Patient Outcomes
Xiao, 2016* ³⁹⁸	Care/Case	72	12	1	NR	1	NR	↔ (NPS)	NR
Fair	Management								
Other Intervention				L	1 (4 5)	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	h	h
Charlesworth, 2008 ³⁹⁹ Fair	Social support	236	22	NR	↔ (A, D)	\leftrightarrow	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
Connell, 2009 ⁴⁰⁰ Fair	Physical activity counseling	157	12	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D, PS)	NR	NR	NR	NR
Gitlin, 2018* ⁴⁰¹ Fair	Multidisciplinary assessment	160	8	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	\leftrightarrow (AE), \leftrightarrow (PF), \leftrightarrow (Pt QOL)
Hirano, 2011 ⁴⁰² Fair	counseling	36	3	↑	NR	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	NR
King, 2002 ⁴⁰³ Fair	Physical activity counseling	100	12	\leftrightarrow	↔ (A, D, PS)	NR	NR	↔ (NPS)	NR
Leach, 2015* ⁴⁰⁴ Good	Other	17	6	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR	NR
Logiudice, 1999 ⁴⁰⁵ Fair	Assessment and treatment planning		12	\leftrightarrow	↔ (PM)	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
Nourhashemi, 2010 ⁴⁰⁶ Fair	Multidisciplinary assessment and treatment plan	1131	22	NR	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	↔ (ADL/IADL)
Pillemer, 2002 ⁴⁰⁷ Fair	Social support	147	6	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Prick, 2015* ⁴⁰⁸ Fair	Multicomponent dyadic	111	6	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D), ↑ (NPS)	↔ (Pt QOL)
Spijker, 2011 ⁴⁰⁹ Good	Provider training	301	12	NR	NR	NR	\leftrightarrow	NR	NR
Teri, 2003 ⁴¹⁰ Good	Multicomponent dyadic	153	6, 17, 24	NR	↔ (D)	NR	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	↑ (Pt QOL)
Winter, 2006 ⁴¹¹ Fair	Social support	103	6	\leftrightarrow	↔ (D)	NR	NR	NR	NR

NOTE: Arrows represent study-reported results.

Symbol Legend:

^{↑ =} Statistically significant between-group difference in favor of intervention group

 $[\]leftrightarrow$ = No statistically significant difference between groups or no clear between-group difference (not reported).

^{↓=} Statistically significant between-group difference in favor of control group

Table 21. Caregiver and Caregiver-Patient Dyad Interventions: Summary of Results, by Intervention (KQ 4 and 5)

- * New study
- † Longest followup. Some studies have more than one FU listed because longest followup differed by outcome
- ‡ Statistically significantly favored IG on 7 of 8 subscales of the SF-36
- § Results statistically significant for at least one timepoint

Abbreviations: A = anxiety; ADL = Activities of Daily Living; D = depression; DEM = dementia; FU = followup; GCF = global cognitive function; Hisp = Hispanic; IADL = IADL = Instrumental Activities of Daily Living; IG = intervention group; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; mo. = months; NPS = Composite neuropsychiatric symptoms; NR = not reported; N rand = number of participants randomized; PM = psychological morbidity; PS = perceived stress; Pt = patient; QOL = quality of life;

Table 22. Summary of Evidence

Key Question Instrument or Treatment	Studies (k) Study Designs, Observati ons (n)	Summary of Findings	Consistency and Precision*	Other Limitations	Strength of Evidence*	Applicability
KQ 1	k=0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
KQ 2 Very brief instruments	k=31 cross sectional studies (6 new) n=22,359	25 instruments. To detect dementia sensitivity was usually at 0.75 or higher and specificity at 0.80 or higher. Across all very brief instruments, the detection of MCI was less consistent, with a wide range in sensitivity and specificity.	Reasonably consistent and precise (dementia) Inconsistent and imprecise (MCI)	Large number of instruments with little replication.	Moderate evidence of adequate sensitivity and specificity	Broad inclusion of older adult populations with a wide range of underlying dementia and MCI
KQ 2 Brief instruments	k=48 cross sectional studies (7 new) n=29,950	20 instruments. For the MMSE, to detect dementia, 15 studies (n=12,796) resulted in a pooled sensitivity of 0.89 (95% CI, 0.85 to 0.92) and a specificity of 0.89 (95% CI, 0.85 to 0.93). For other brief instruments reported in more than one study, sensitivity ranged from 0.74 to 1.0 and specificity ranged from 0.65 to 0.96. Across all brief instruments, the detection of MCI was less consistent, with a wide range in sensitivity and specificity.	Reasonably consistent and precise (dementia) Inconsistent and imprecise (MCI)	Large number of instruments with little replication, except for the MMSE.	Moderate evidence of adequate sensitivity and specificity	Broad inclusion of older adult populations with a wide range of underlying dementia and MCI. Administration time less useful for primary care screening.
KQ 2 Longer, self- administered instruments	k=8 cross sectional studies (0 new) n=2,271	4 instruments. Only the IQCODE was assessed in more than one study, with sensitivity to detect dementia ranging from 0.80 to 0.88 and specificity ranging from 0.51 to 0.91. To detect MCI, sensitivity ranged from 0.71 to 0.82 and specificity ranged from 0.69 to 0.92.	Reasonably consistent (dementia and MCI) Precise (dementia and MCI)	Few instruments, little replication.	Moderate evidence of adequate sensitivity and specificity	Broad inclusion of older adult populations with a wide range of underlying dementia and MCI
KQ 3	k=0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

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Key Question Instrument or Treatment	Studies (k) Study Designs, Observati ons (n)	Summary of Findings	Consistency and Precision*	Other Limitations	Strength of Evidence*	Applicability
KQ 4 AChEIs and memantine	k=48 RCTs (6 new) n=22,431	Medications may improve measures of global cognitive function in short-term, but magnitude of differences between drug versus placebo groups was small. Pooled results indicate differences in change ranging from approximately 1 to 2.5 points in favor of drug groups on the ADAS-Cog-11 (range 0-70). For donepezil: MD, -2.13 95% CI: -0.94 to -3.32, k=6, n=1,981, I²=64.4%). For galantamine: MD, -2.13 (95% CI, -1.32 to -2.94, k=9, n=3,786, I=65.9). For rivastigmine: -2.43 (95% CI: -0.75 to -4.10, k=5, n=2,618, I²=81.9%). For memantine: -0.88 (95% CI: -0.11 to -1.65, k=8, n=2,609, I2=78.1%). Using accepted thresholds of clinical benefit, the average benefit across patients is not clinically significant. AChEIs and memantine increased the likelihood of improving or maintaining patient's global function (e.g., using a CIBIC+) by 15 percent (for memantine) to 50 percent (for rivastigmine) in the short-term (pooled 95% CI range, 0.49 to 2.69). Pooled continuous change found small effect sizes (SMDs ranging from 0.14 to 0.46). Other important measures such as mental health and neuropsychiatric symptoms and rates of institutionalization were rarely reported; no trials included measures of QOL.	Reasonably consistent Precise	Evidence of a small studies effect for the pooled result for global cognitive function measured by the MMSE for donepezil, indicating the possibility of publication bias. Few trials included followup longer than 6 months.	Moderate evidence of a small benefit	Older adults with dementia (mainly AD), particularly among those with moderate versus mild forms. Unclear representation of ethnic minorities and those of varying education levels. Doses of medications applicable to common use.
KQ 4 Other medications and supplements	k=29 RCTs (5 new) n=6,489	No evidence that antihypertensives, vitamins or omega-3 fatty acids, gonadal steroids, HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors, or NSAIDS are beneficial for any cognitive, functional or other outcome at 3 months to 4 years of followup.	Reasonably consistent Imprecise	Small trials often with differential attrition between groups. Lack of consistency in formulations and dosages of agents used.	Low evidence of no benefit	Older adults with mild to moderate dementia. Unclear representation of ethnic minorities and those of varying education levels.

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Key Question Instrument or Treatment	Studies (k) Study Designs, Observati ons (n)	Summary of Findings	Consistency and Precision*	Other Limitations	Strength of Evidence*	Applicability
KQ 4 Nonpharmac ologic patient-level interventions	k=61 RCTs (39 new) n=7,847	No clear benefit of cognitive stimulation, training, or rehabilitation, exercise interventions, multicomponent interventions, and other interventions on global and domain-specific cognitive function compared with controls at 3 months to 2 years followup among persons with MCI or dementia. Effect estimates generally favored intervention groups, but the magnitude of effects was inconsistent across trials and represented very wide CIs. Measures related to physical function, QOL, and mental and neuropsychiatric symptoms were only reported by half or less of the trials for each intervention group and few found robust differences between groups.	Reasonably consistent Imprecise	Small studies of limited duration. Types of outcomes, specific measures, and duration of followup was highly variable across trials.	Low evidence of small to no benefit	Broad range of older adults with MCI and mild and moderate dementia. Very sparse reporting of clinical characteristics of the included patients such as race/ethnicity and education. Virtually no data on effect modification by important clinical differences. Many complex interventions may not be widely available in the U.S.

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Key Question Instrument or Treatment	Studies (k) Study Designs, Observati ons (n)	Summary of Findings	Consistency and Precision*	Other Limitations	Strength of Evidence*	Applicability
KQ 4 Caregiver and caregiver-patient dyad interventions	k=88 RCTs (33 new) n=14,880	Consistent benefit of psychoeducation and care and case management interventions on caregiver burden and depression outcomes. However, effect sizes were mostly small and are of unclear clinical significance. For caregiver burden, the standardized pooled effect was - 0.24 (95% CI, -0.36 to -0.13]; I²=50.2%; k=27; n=2,776) for psychoeducation interventions and -0.54 (95% CI, -0.85 to -0.22); k=8; n=1,215; I²=82.9%) for care and case management interventions. Other outcomes such as caregiver or patient QOL, rates or time to institutionalization, patient mental health and neuropsychiatric symptoms, and patient functional ability were sparsely reported across the trials with no consistent evidence of a benefit. Decision-making and preparation for meeting dementia-related needs were only reported by one trial each with neither finding statistically significant benefit of the interventions versus control conditions on overall scores for these measures.	Reasonably consistent Precise	Little evidence of longer-term effects; inconsistency in outcomes and specific measures across trials with many providing little data on precise scales used.	Moderate evidence of small benefit	Generally applicable to caregivers of persons with moderate dementia. Many complex interventions may not be widely available in the U.S.
KQ 5 AChEIs and memantine	k=48 RCTs (6 new) n=22,431 k=3 obs. studies (1 new) n=190,076	Side effects from medications were common. Withdrawal or discontinuation was more common with AChEls (13% withdrawing for donepezil and rivastigmine, 14% for galantamine) than placebo (8%). Memantine appeared to be better tolerated, with no difference in withdrawal rates (8%) compared with placebo (8%). In total, there did not appear to be a difference in total SAEs for these medications across trials with limited duration of followup. However, individual studies, including observational evidence, reported increased rates of bradycardia, and relatedly, of syncope, falls and need for pacemaker placement among those exposed versus unexposed to AChEls.	Reasonably consistent Precise	The definitions of serious adverse events, which likely vary, were rarely described in the included studies.	Moderate evidence of harm	Mostly represented patients with moderate dementia.

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Key Question Instrument or Treatment	Studies (k) Study Designs, Observati ons (n)	Summary of Findings	Consistency and Precision*	Other Limitations	Strength of Evidence*	Applicability
KQ 5 Other medications and supplements	k=21 RCTs (4 new) n=5,688	Across interventions, harms were not clearly significantly increased in intervention vs. control groups.	Reasonably consistent Precise	Small trials often with differential attrition between groups. Lack of consistency in formulations and dosages of agents used.	Low evidence of no harm	Older adults with mild to moderate dementia. Unclear representation of ethnic minorities and those of varying education levels.
KQ 5 Nonpharmac ologic patient-level interventions	k=12 RCTs (11 new) n=2,370	Little evidence of harms from good quality studies. Evidence of greater musculoskeletal problems among persons taking part in exercise interventions versus comparators. One trial reported one case of atrial fibrillation among one patient during an exercise session.	Reasonably consistent Precise	Sparse reporting of harms. Trials of exercise interventions more likely to report monitoring harms than cognitive training or other interventions	Low evidence of no harm [†]	Applicable to patients with mild-to-moderate dementia and MCI.
KQ 5 Caregiver and caregiver-patient dyad interventions	k=4 RCTs (3 new) n=486	No harms evident.	NA	Sparse reporting of harms for patients or caregivers.	Low evidence of no harm [†]	Generally applicable to caregivers of persons with moderate dementia.

^{*} For KQ 4, consistency, precision, and strength of evidence, assessments were based on primary outcomes within each body of evidence. For AChEIs and memantine, assessments were for cognitive function and global function outcomes. For, other medications and supplements assessments were for cognitive function. For nonpharmacologic patient-level interventions, assessments were for cognitive function, physical function, and neuropsychiatric symptoms. For caregiver and caregiver-patient dyad interventions, assessments were for caregiver burden and depression outcomes.

Abbreviations: AChEIs = acetylcholinesterase inhibitors AD = Alzheimer's disease; CI = confidence interval; CIBIC+ = Clinicians' Interview-Based Impression of Change plus informant input; CG = control group; HMG-CoA = 3-hydroxy-3-methyl-glutaryl-CoA reductase; IG = intervention group; K = number of trials; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; N = population size; n = sample size; NA = not applicable; NR = not reported; NSAIDs = Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs; obs = observational; RCT = randomized controlled trial; SAE = serious adverse events; vs = versus

[†] No hypothesized serious harms of nonpharmacologic patient or caregiver interventions. Thus, despite few trials reporting this outcome, we have low confidence that the finding of no harm in these two trials reflects this body of evidence.

Table 23. Positive and Negative Predictive Values for Various Sensitivity and Specificity Values, by Age Group

	Age Group, years	Dementia prevalence, percent*	PPV, percent	NPV, percent
Sensitivity 70	65-74	3	10	99
Specificity 80	75-84	10	28	96
	85+	30	60	86
Sensitivity 80	65-74	3	20	99
Specificity 90	75-84	10	47	98
	85+	30	77	91
Sensitivity 90	65-74	3	22	100
Specificity 90	75-84	10	50	99
	85+	30	79	95

^{*} Dementia prevalence based on 2012 data reported by Langa and colleagues. ²³

Abbreviations: PPV = positive predictive value; NPV = negative predictive value.

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Key:
/ = MeSH subject heading
* = truncation
* preceding a word = major focus
$ = truncationLL
ab = word in abstract
exp = explode
fs = MeSH subheading
hw = subject heading word
id = identifier
kf = keyword heading [word not phrase indexed]
kw = keyword
md = methodology
mp = mapping alias (searches within: Title (TI), Abstract (AB), Subject Headings Word (HW), Table of
     Contents Titles/Headings (TC), Original Title (OT), Test & Measures (TM), and Key Phrase Identifiers
     (ID) fields)
pt = publication type
ti = word in title
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Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials (CENTRAL)

#1 dementia:ti,kw or alzheimer*:kw #2 (cognitive next impairment*):ti,kw #3 (cognitive next decline):ti,kw #4 (cognitive next loss):ti,kw #5 (cognitive next disorder*):ti,kw #6 (cognition next disorder*):ti,kw 446-#6 #7 #8 (screen* or instrument or instruments):ti,ab,kw #9 (assess* or tool* or test* or evaluat* or questionnaire*):ti,kw #10 #8 or #9 #11 #7 and #10 #12 (sensitivit* or specificit*):ti,ab,kw #13 "ROC Curve":ti,ab,kw #14 "predictive value":ti,ab,kw #15 accuracy:ti,ab,kw #16 (False next Negative*):ti,ab,kw #17 (False next positive*):ti,ab,kw #18 (Diagnostic next Error*):ti,ab,kw #19 Reproducibility:ti,ab,kw #20 (Reference next Value*):ti,ab,kw #21 (Reference next standard*):ti,ab,kw #22 (Observer next Variation*):ti,ab,kw #23 {or #12-#22}

#24	#7 and #23
#25	statin*:ti,ab,kw
#26	(antihypertensive* or diuretic* or (beta next blocker*) or (alpha next blocker*) or (ace next inhibitor*) or
	"calcium channel" or vasodilator*):ti,ab,kw
#27	(nsaid* or nonsteroidal):ti,ab,kw
#28	aspirin:ti,ab,kw
#29	(hormone* or estrogen* or estradiol or Medroxyprogesterone or Progesterone or androgen* or testosterone
	or Dehydroepiandrosterone or Norethindrone):ti,ab,kw
#30	(cholinesterase or donepezil or galantamine):ti,ab,kw
#31	memantine:ti,ab,kw
#32	(folic or folate or "vitamin b" or bl or b2 or b6 or b12):ti,ab,kw
#33	(antioxidant* or "vitamin e" or "ascorbic acid" or ascorbate or "vitamin c" or "beta carotene"):ti,ab,kw
#34	(omega* or "fatty acid" or "fatty acids" or linolenic or "mediterranean diet"):ti,ab,kw
#35	(exercis* or "physical activity" or "physical training" or "strength training" or "resistance training" or "aerobic
	training" or "cardiovascular training" or "endurance training" or "flexibility training" or relaxation or walking or
	yoga or "tai chi" or danc*):ti,ab,kw
#36	(caregiv* or carer* or "self help" or "family therapy" or "social support" or "skills training" or
	education):ti,ab,kw
#37	(counsel* or psychotherapy or (behavio* next therap*) or (cognitive next therap*)):ti,ab,kw
#38	(engage* or "cognitive exercise" or "cognitive exercises"):ti,ab,kw
#39	("case management" or "care management"):ti,ab,kw
#40	(multicomponent or multidisciplinary or multimodal):ti,ab,kw
#41	("multi component" or "multi disciplinary" or "multi modal"):ti,ab,kw
#42	{or #25-#41}
#43	#7 and #42
#44	#11 or #24 or #43 Publication Year from 2012 to 2017

Dementia/Mild cognitive impairment

Screening trials

- 1 Dementia/
- 2 Alzheimer Disease/
- 3 Dementia, Vascular/
- 4 Dementia, Multi-Infarct/
- 5 Frontotemporal Lobar Degeneration/

- 6 Lewy Body Disease/
- 7 dementia.ti.
- 8 Neurocognitive Disorders/
- 9 Cognition Disorders/
- 10 Cognitive Dysfunction/
- 11 cognitive impairment*.ti.
- 12 cognitive decline.ti.
- 13 cognitive loss.ti.
- 14 cognitive disorder*.ti.
- 15 cognitive dysfunction*.ti.
- 16 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15
- 17 Mass screening/
- 18 screen*.ti,ab.
- 19 17 or 18
- 20 16 and 19
- 21 *Dementia/di
- 22 *Alzheimer Disease/di
- 23 *Neurocognitive Disorders/di
- 24 *Cognition Disorders/di
- 25 *Cognitive Dysfunction/di
- 26 20 or 21 or 22 or 23 or 24 or 25
- 27 clinical trials as topic/ or controlled clinical trials as topic/ or randomized controlled trials as topic/
- 28 meta-analysis as topic/ (17142)
- 29 (clinical trial or controlled clinical trial or meta analysis or randomized controlled trial or pragmatic clinical trial).pt.
- 30 random*.ti,ab.
- 31 control groups/ or double-blind method/ or single-blind method/ (184630)
- 32 clinical trial*.ti,ab.
- 33 controlled trial*.ti,ab.
- 34 (metaanaly* or meta analy*).ti,ab.
- 35 27 or 28 or 29 or 30 or 31 or 32 or 33 or 34
- 36 26 and 35
- 37 Animals/ not (Humans/ and Animals/)
- 38 36 not 37
- 39 limit 38 to (english language and yr="2012 -Current")

40 remove duplicates from 39

Dementia/Mild cognitive impairment

Test performance of screening instruments

- 1 Dementia/
- 2 Alzheimer Disease/
- 3 Dementia, Vascular/
- 4 Dementia, Multi-Infarct/
- 5 Frontotemporal Lobar Degeneration/
- 6 Lewy Body Disease/
- 7 dementia.ti.
- 8 Neurocognitive Disorders/
- 9 Cognition Disorders/
- 10 Cognitive Dysfunction/
- 11 cognitive impairment*.ti.
- 12 cognitive decline.ti.
- 13 cognitive loss.ti.
- 14 cognitive disorder*.ti.
- 15 cognitive dysfunction*.ti.
- 16 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15
- 17 Mass screening/
- 18 neuropsychological tests/ or mental navigation tests/
- 19 (screen* or instrument or instruments).ti,ab.
- 20 (assess* or tool* or test* or evaluat* or questionnaire*).ti,kf.
- 21 17 or 18 or 19 or 20
- 22 "Sensitivity and Specificity"/
- 23 "Predictive Value of Tests"/
- 24 ROC Curve/
- 25 Receiver operat*.ti,ab.
- 26 (sensitivit* or specificit*).ti,ab.
- 27 predictive value.ti,ab.
- 28 accuracy.ti,ab.
- 29 False Negative Reactions/
- 30 False Positive Reactions/

- 31 Diagnostic Errors/
- 32 "Reproducibility of Results"/
- 33 Reference Values/
- 34 Reference Standards/
- 35 Observer Variation/
- 36 Psychometrics/
- 37 Psychometric\$.ti,ab.
- 38 22 or 23 or 24 or 25 or 26 or 27 or 28 or 29 or 30 or 31 or 32 or 33 or 34 or 35 or 36 or 37
- 39 16 and 21 and 38
- 40 Animals/ not (Humans/ and Animals/)
- 41 39 not 40
- 42 limit 41 to (english language and yr="2012 -Current")
- 43 remove duplicates from 42

Dementia/Mild cognitive impairment

Screening harms

- 1 Dementia/
- 2 Alzheimer Disease/
- 3 Dementia, Vascular/
- 4 Dementia, Multi-Infarct/
- 5 Frontotemporal Lobar Degeneration/
- 6 Lewy Body Disease/
- 7 dementia.ti.
- 8 Neurocognitive Disorders/
- 9 Cognition Disorders/
- 10 Cognitive Dysfunction/
- 11 cognitive impairment*.ti.
- 12 cognitive decline.ti.
- 13 cognitive loss.ti.
- 14 cognitive disorder*.ti.
- 15 cognitive dysfunction*.ti.
- 16 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15
- 17 Mass screening/
- 18 screen*.ti,ab.

- 19 17 or 18
- 20 16 and 19
- 21 *Dementia/di
- 22 *Alzheimer Disease/di
- 23 *Neurocognitive Disorders/di
- 24 *Cognition Disorders/di
- 25 *Cognitive Dysfunction/di
- 26 20 or 21 or 22 or 23 or 24 or 25
- 27 adverse effects.fs.
- 28 adverse*.ti,ab.
- 29 harm*.ti,ab.
- 30 Anxiety/
- 31 anxiety.ti,ab.
- 32 Depression/
- 33 depression.ti,ab.
- 34 Depressive Disorder/
- 35 labeling.ti,ab.
- 36 labelling.ti,ab.
- 37 labeled.ti,ab.
- 38 labelled.ti,ab.
- 39 Stress, Psychological/
- 40 27 or 28 or 29 or 30 or 31 or 32 or 33 or 34 or 35 or 36 or 37 or 38 or 39
- 41 26 and 40
- 42 Animals/ not (Humans/ and Animals/)
- 43 41 not 42
- 44 limit 43 to (english language and yr="2012 -Current")
- 45 remove duplicates from 44

Dementia/Mild cognitive impairment

Treatment trials

- 1 Dementia/
- 2 Alzheimer Disease/
- 3 Dementia, Vascular/
- 4 Dementia, Multi-Infarct/

- 5 Frontotemporal Lobar Degeneration/
- 6 Lewy Body Disease/
- 7 dementia.ti.
- 8 Neurocognitive Disorders/
- 9 Cognition Disorders/
- 10 Cognitive Dysfunction/
- 11 cognitive impairment*.ti.
- 12 cognitive decline.ti.
- 13 cognitive loss.ti.
- 14 cognitive disorder*.ti.
- 15 cognitive dysfunction*.ti.
- 16 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15
- 17 Hydroxymethylglutaryl-CoA Reductase Inhibitors/
- 18 statin*.mp.
- 19 lovastatin.mp.
- 20 simvastatin.mp.
- 21 cerivastatin.mp.
- 22 atorvastatin.mp.
- 23 rosuvastatin.mp.
- 24 pravastatin.mp.
- 25 fluvastatin.mp.
- 26 17 or 18 or 19 or 20 or 21 or 22 or 23 or 24 or 25
- 27 Antihypertensive Agents/
- 28 Antihypertensive*.ti,ab.
- 29 Diuretics/
- 30 Diuretic*.ti,ab.
- 31 exp Adrenergic beta-Antagonists/
- 32 Adrenergic beta Antagonist*.ti,ab.
- 33 beta blocker*.ti,ab.
- 34 exp Adrenergic alpha-Antagonists/
- 35 Adrenergic alpha Antagonist*.ti,ab.
- 36 alpha blocker*.ti,ab.
- 37 Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme Inhibitors/
- 38 ace inhibitor*.ti,ab.
- 39 Angiotensin Converting Enzyme Inhibitor*.ti,ab.

- 40 Calcium Channel Blockers/
- 41 Calcium Channel Blocker*.ti,ab.
- 42 Vasodilator Agents/
- 43 Vasodilator*.ti,ab.
- 44 27 or 28 or 29 or 30 or 31 or 32 or 33 or 34 or 35 or 36 or 37 or 38 or 39 or 40 or 41 or 42 or 43
- 45 Aspirin/
- 46 aspirin*.ti,ab.
- 47 45 or 46
- 48 Anti-Inflammatory Agents, Non-Steroidal/
- 49 Nonsteroidal Anti Inflammatory Agent*.ti,ab.
- 50 Non steroidal Anti Inflammatory Agent*.ti,ab.
- 51 Nonsteroidal Antiinflammatory Agent*.ti,ab.
- 52 Non steroidal Antiinflammatory Agent*.ti,ab.
- 53 NSAID*.ti,ab.
- 54 Diclofenac/
- 55 Diclofenac.ti,ab.
- 56 Ibuprofen/
- 57 Ibuprofen.ti,ab.
- 58 Indomethacin/
- 59 Indomethacin.ti,ab.
- 60 Ketoprofen/
- 61 Ketoprofen.ti,ab.
- 62 Ketorolac/
- 63 Ketorolac.ti,ab.
- 64 Naproxen/
- 65 Naproxen.ti,ab.
- 66 Piroxicam/
- 67 Piroxicam.ti,ab.
- 68 Salicylates/
- 69 Salicylate*.ti,ab.
- 70 Sulindac/
- 71 Sulindac.ti,ab.
- 72 Cyclooxygenase Inhibitors/
- 73 Cyclooxygenase Inhibitor*.ti,ab.
- 74 Cyclooxygenase 2 Inhibitors/

- 75 Cyclooxygenase 2 Inhibitor*.ti,ab.
- 76 COX 2 Inhibitor*.ti,ab.
- 48 or 49 or 50 or 51 or 52 or 53 or 54 or 55 or 56 or 57 or 58 or 59 or 60 or 61 or 62 or 63 or 64 or 65 or 66 or 67 or 68 or 69 or 70 or 71 or 72 or 73 or 74 or 75 or 76
- 78 Gonadal Steroid Hormones/
- 79 Hormone Replacement Therapy/
- 80 Estrogen Replacement Therapy/
- 81 Estradiol/
- 82 Estrogens/
- 83 "Estrogens, Conjugated (USP)"/
- 84 Medroxyprogesterone Acetate/
- 85 Progesterone/
- 86 Progesterone Congeners/
- 87 Androgens/
- 88 Testosterone/
- 89 Dehydroepiandrosterone/
- 90 Dehydroepiandrosterone Sulfate/
- 91 Norethindrone/
- 92 Hormone Replacement Therapy.ti,ab.
- 93 estrogen*.ti,ab.
- 94 Estradiol.ti,ab.
- 95 Medroxyprogesterone.ti,ab.
- 96 Progesterone.ti,ab.
- 97 Androgen*.ti,ab.
- 98 Testosterone.ti,ab.
- 99 Dehydroepiandrosterone.ti,ab.
- 100 Norethindrone.ti,ab.
- 101 78 or 79 or 80 or 81 or 82 or 83 or 84 or 85 or 86 or 87 or 88 or 89 or 90 or 91 or 92 or 93 or 94 or 95 or 96 or 97 or 98 or 99 or 100
- 102 Cholinesterase inhibitors/
- 103 Cholinesterase Inhibitor*.ti,ab.
- 104 Anticholinesterase*.ti,ab.
- 105 Galantamine/
- 106 Galantamine.ti,ab.
- 107 rivastigmine.ti,ab.

- 108 donepezil.ti,ab.
- 109 102 or 103 or 104 or 105 or 106 or 107 or 108
- 110 Memantine/
- 111 Memantine.ti,ab.
- 112 110 or 111
- 113 folic acid/
- 114 folic acid.ti,ab.
- 115 folate.ti,ab.
- 116 Vitamin B Complex/
- 117 Thiamine/
- 118 Thiamine.ti,ab.
- 119 Thiamin.ti,ab.
- 120 Thiamine Monophosphate/
- 121 Thiamine Pyrophosphate/
- 122 Thiamine Triphosphate/
- 123 Vitamin B 1.ti,ab.
- 124 Vitamin B1.ti,ab.
- 125 Riboflavin/
- 126 Riboflavin.ti,ab.
- 127 Vitamin B 2.ti,ab.
- 128 Vitamin B2.ti,ab.
- 129 Vitamin B 6/
- 130 Vitamin B 6.ti,ab.
- 131 Vitamin B6.ti,ab.
- 132 Pyridoxine/
- 133 Pyridoxine.ti,ab.
- 134 Vitamin B 12/
- 135 Vitamin B 12.ti,ab.
- 136 Vitamin B12.ti,ab.
- 137 Cobamides/
- 138 Hydroxocobalamin/
- 139 Cobalamin.ti,ab.
- 140 Cyanocobalamin.ti,ab.
- 141 Cobamides.ti,ab.
- 142 Hydroxocobalamin.ti,ab.

- 143 113 or 114 or 115 or 116 or 117 or 118 or 119 or 120 or 121 or 122 or 123 or 124 or 125 or 126 or 127 or 128 or 129 or 130 or 131 or 132 or 133 or 134 or 135 or 136 or 137 or 138 or 139 or 140 or 141 or 142
- 144 Antioxidants/
- 145 Antioxidant*.ti,ab.
- 146 Vitamin E/
- 147 Vitamin E.ti,ab.
- 148 alpha-Tocopherol/
- 149 Tocopherols/
- 150 Tocopherol*.ti,ab.
- 151 Ascorbic acid/
- 152 Ascorbic acid.ti,ab.
- 153 Vitamin C.ti,ab.
- 154 ascorbate.ti,ab.
- 155 beta carotene/
- 156 beta carotene.ti,ab.
- 157 144 or 145 or 146 or 147 or 148 or 149 or 150 or 151 or 152 or 153 or 154 or 155 or 156
- fatty acids, omega-3/ or alpha-linolenic acid/ or docosahexaenoic acids/ or neuroprostanes/ or eicosapentaenoic acid/
- 159 Omega 3.ti,ab.
- 160 n 3 Fatty Acid*.ti,ab.
- 161 Linolenic Acids/
- 162 Linolenic Acid*.ti,ab.
- 163 Fatty Acids, Essential/
- 164 Dietary Fats, Unsaturated/
- 165 Fish Oils/
- 166 fish oil*.ti,ab.
- 167 diet* fatty acid*.ti,ab.
- 168 Diet, Mediterranean/
- 169 Mediterranean diet*.ti,ab.
- 170 158 or 159 or 160 or 161 or 162 or 163 or 164 or 165 or 166 or 167 or 168 or 169
- 171 Exercise/
- 172 Exercise Therapy/
- 173 Exercise Movement Techniques/
- 174 Physical Fitness/
- 175 Cardiorespiratory Fitness/

176 Physical Conditioning, Human/ 177 Walking/ 178 Stair Climbing/ 179 Circuit-Based Exercise/ 180 Resistance Training/ 181 exercis*.ti,ab. 182 physical activity.ti,ab. 183 physical training.ti,ab. 184 strength training.ti,ab. 185 resistance training.ti,ab. 186 aerobic training.ti,ab. 187 cardiovascular training.ti,ab. 188 endurance training.ti,ab. 189 flexibility training.ti,ab. 190 Relaxation/ 191 Relaxation Therapy/ 192 relaxation.ti,ab. Tai Ji/ 193 Tai Chi.ti,ab. 194 195 walking.ti,ab. 196 Yoga/ 197 yoga.ti,ab. 198 Dancing/ 199 (dancing or dance).ti,ab. 200 171 or 172 or 173 or 174 or 175 or 176 or 177 or 178 or 179 or 180 or 181 or 182 or 183 or 184 or 185 or 186 or 187 or 188 or 189 or 190 or 191 or 192 or 193 or 194 or 195 or 196 or 197 or 198 or 199 201 Caregivers/ 202 caregiver*.ti,ab. 203 caregiving.ti,ab. 204 (carer or carers).ti,ab. 205 Self-Help Groups/ 206 self help.ti,ab.

care giver*.ti,ab.

Family Therapy/

family therapy.ti,ab.

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- 210 Social Support/
- 211 social support*.ti,ab.
- 212 skills training.ti,ab.
- 213 Health Education/
- 214 health education.ti,ab.
- 215 education.fs.
- 216 education, continuing/ or education, medical, continuing/ or education, nursing, continuing/
- 217 201 or 202 or 203 or 204 or 205 or 206 or 207 or 208 or 209 or 210 or 211 or 212 or 213 or 214 or 215 or 216
- 218 Counseling/
- 219 Directive Counseling/
- 220 Cognitive Therapy/
- 221 cognitive therap*.ti,ab.
- 222 psychotherapy/ or psychotherapy, brief/
- 223 Behavior Therapy/
- 224 behavio* therap*.ti,ab.
- 225 psychotherap*.ti,ab.
- 226 counsel*.ti,ab.
- 227 218 or 219 or 220 or 221 or 222 or 223 or 224 or 225 or 226
- 228 (cognitive* adj3 engage*).ti,ab.
- 229 (creative* adj3 engage*).ti,ab.
- 230 (cognitive* adj3 stimulat*).ti,ab.
- 231 cognitive training.ti,ab.
- 232 cognitive intervention*.ti,ab.
- 233 group reminiscence.ti,ab.
- 234 reality orientation.ti,ab.
- 235 Reality Therapy/
- 236 reality therapy.ti,ab.
- 237 cognitive exercis*.ti,ab.
- 238 228 or 229 or 230 or 231 or 232 or 233 or 234 or 235 or 236 or 237
- 239 Case Management/
- 240 Patient Care Management/
- 241 care manage*.ti,ab.
- 242 case manage*.ti,ab.
- 243 239 or 240 or 241 or 242
- 244 ((multicomponent or multi component or multidisciplinary or multi disciplinary or multimodal or multi modal)

- adj3 (treatment* or program* or intervention*)).ti,ab.
- 245 26 or 44 or 47 or 77 or 101 or 109 or 112 or 143 or 157 or 170 or 200 or 217 or 227 or 238 or 243 or 244
- 246 16 and 245
- 247 clinical trials as topic/ or controlled clinical trials as topic/ or randomized controlled trials as topic/
- 248 meta-analysis as topic/
- (clinical trial or controlled clinical trial or meta analysis or randomized controlled trial or pragmatic clinical trial).pt.
- 250 random*.ti,ab.
- 251 control groups/ or double-blind method/ or single-blind method/
- 252 clinical trial*.ti,ab.
- 253 controlled trial*.ti,ab.
- 254 (metaanaly* or meta analy*).ti,ab.
- 255 247 or 248 or 249 or 250 or 251 or 252 or 253 or 254
- 256 246 and 255
- 257 Animals/ not (Humans/ and Animals/)
- 258 256 not 257
- 259 limit 258 to (english language and yr="2012 -Current")
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Dementia/Mild cognitive impairment

Treatment harms

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- 1 Dementia/
- 2 Alzheimer Disease/
- 3 Dementia, Vascular/
- 4 Dementia, Multi-Infarct/
- 5 Frontotemporal Lobar Degeneration/
- 6 Lewy Body Disease/
- 7 dementia.ti.
- 8 Neurocognitive Disorders/
- 9 Cognition Disorders/
- 10 Cognitive Dysfunction/
- 11 cognitive impairment*.ti.
- 12 cognitive decline.ti.
- 13 cognitive loss.ti.

- 14 cognitive disorder*.ti.
- 15 cognitive dysfunction*.ti.
- 16 1 or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 or 10 or 11 or 12 or 13 or 14 or 15
- 17 Hydroxymethylglutaryl-CoA Reductase Inhibitors/
- 18 statin*.mp.
- 19 lovastatin.mp.
- 20 simvastatin.mp.
- 21 cerivastatin.mp.
- 22 atorvastatin.mp.
- 23 rosuvastatin.mp.
- 24 pravastatin.mp.
- 25 fluvastatin.mp.
- 26 17 or 18 or 19 or 20 or 21 or 22 or 23 or 24 or 25
- 27 Antihypertensive Agents/
- 28 Antihypertensive*.ti,ab.
- 29 Diuretics/
- 30 Diuretic*.ti,ab.
- 31 exp Adrenergic beta-Antagonists/
- 32 Adrenergic beta Antagonist*.ti,ab.
- 33 beta blocker*.ti,ab.
- 34 exp Adrenergic alpha-Antagonists/
- 35 Adrenergic alpha Antagonist*.ti,ab.
- 36 alpha blocker*.ti,ab.
- 37 Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme Inhibitors/
- 38 ace inhibitor*.ti,ab.
- 39 Angiotensin Converting Enzyme Inhibitor*.ti,ab.
- 40 Calcium Channel Blockers/
- 41 Calcium Channel Blocker*.ti,ab.
- 42 Vasodilator Agents/
- 43 Vasodilator*.ti,ab.
- 44 27 or 28 or 29 or 30 or 31 or 32 or 33 or 34 or 35 or 36 or 37 or 38 or 39 or 40 or 41 or 42 or 43
- 45 Aspirin/
- 46 aspirin*.ti,ab.
- 47 45 or 46
- 48 Anti-Inflammatory Agents, Non-Steroidal/

- 49 Nonsteroidal Anti Inflammatory Agent*.ti,ab.
- 50 Non steroidal Anti Inflammatory Agent*.ti,ab.
- 51 Nonsteroidal Antiinflammatory Agent*.ti,ab.
- 52 Non steroidal Antiinflammatory Agent*.ti,ab.
- 53 NSAID*.ti,ab.
- 54 Diclofenac/
- 55 Diclofenac.ti,ab.
- 56 Ibuprofen/
- 57 Ibuprofen.ti,ab.
- 58 Indomethacin/
- 59 Indomethacin.ti,ab.
- 60 Ketoprofen/
- 61 Ketoprofen.ti,ab.
- 62 Ketorolac/
- 63 Ketorolac.ti,ab.
- 64 Naproxen/
- 65 Naproxen.ti,ab.
- 66 Piroxicam/
- 67 Piroxicam.ti,ab.
- 68 Salicylates/
- 69 Salicylate*.ti,ab.
- 70 Sulindac/
- 71 Sulindac.ti,ab.
- 72 Cyclooxygenase Inhibitors/
- 73 Cyclooxygenase Inhibitor*.ti,ab.
- 74 Cyclooxygenase 2 Inhibitors/
- 75 Cyclooxygenase 2 Inhibitor*.ti,ab.
- 76 COX 2 Inhibitor*.ti,ab.
- 48 or 49 or 50 or 51 or 52 or 53 or 54 or 55 or 56 or 57 or 58 or 59 or 60 or 61 or 62 or 63 or 64 or 65 or 66 or 67 or 68 or 69 or 70 or 71 or 72 or 73 or 74 or 75 or 76
- 78 Gonadal Steroid Hormones/
- 79 Hormone Replacement Therapy/
- 80 Estrogen Replacement Therapy/
- 81 Estradiol/
- 82 Estrogens/

- 83 "Estrogens, Conjugated (USP)"/
- 84 Medroxyprogesterone Acetate/
- 85 Progesterone/
- 86 Progesterone Congeners/
- 87 Androgens/
- 88 Testosterone/
- 89 Dehydroepiandrosterone/
- 90 Dehydroepiandrosterone Sulfate/
- 91 Norethindrone/
- 92 Hormone Replacement Therapy.ti,ab.
- 93 estrogen*.ti,ab.
- 94 Estradiol.ti,ab.
- 95 Medroxyprogesterone.ti,ab.
- 96 Progesterone.ti,ab.
- 97 Androgen*.ti,ab.
- 98 Testosterone.ti,ab.
- 99 Dehydroepiandrosterone.ti,ab.
- 100 Norethindrone.ti,ab.
- 101 78 or 79 or 80 or 81 or 82 or 83 or 84 or 85 or 86 or 87 or 88 or 89 or 90 or 91 or 92 or 93 or 94 or 95 or 96 or 97 or 98 or 99 or 100
- 102 Cholinesterase inhibitors/
- 103 Cholinesterase Inhibitor*.ti,ab.
- 104 Anticholinesterase*.ti,ab.
- 105 Galantamine/
- 106 Galantamine.ti,ab.
- 107 rivastigmine.ti,ab.
- 108 donepezil.ti,ab.
- 109 102 or 103 or 104 or 105 or 106 or 107 or 108
- 110 Memantine/
- 111 Memantine.ti,ab.
- 112 110 or 111
- 113 folic acid/
- 114 folic acid.ti,ab.
- 115 folate.ti,ab.
- 116 Vitamin B Complex/

117 Thiamine/ 118 Thiamine.ti,ab. 119 Thiamin.ti,ab. 120 Thiamine Monophosphate/ 121 Thiamine Pyrophosphate/ 122 Thiamine Triphosphate/ 123 Vitamin B 1.ti,ab. 124 Vitamin B1.ti,ab. 125 Riboflavin/ 126 Riboflavin.ti,ab. 127 Vitamin B 2.ti,ab. 128 Vitamin B2.ti,ab. 129 Vitamin B 6/ 130 Vitamin B 6.ti,ab. 131 Vitamin B6.ti,ab. 132 Pyridoxine/ 133 Pyridoxine.ti,ab. 134 Vitamin B 12/ 135 Vitamin B 12.ti,ab. Vitamin B12.ti,ab. 136 137 Cobamides/ 138 Hydroxocobalamin/ 139 Cobalamin.ti,ab. 140 Cyanocobalamin.ti,ab. 141 Cobamides.ti,ab. 142 Hydroxocobalamin.ti,ab. 143 113 or 114 or 115 or 116 or 117 or 118 or 119 or 120 or 121 or 122 or 123 or 124 or 125 or 126 or 127 or 128 or 129 or 130 or 131 or 132 or 133 or 134 or 135 or 136 or 137 or 138 or 139 or 140 or 141 or 142 Antioxidants/ 144 Antioxidant*.ti,ab. 145 Vitamin E/ 146 147 Vitamin E.ti,ab.

Tocopherols/

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alpha-Tocopherol/

Tocopherol*.ti,ab.

- 151 Ascorbic acid/
- 152 Ascorbic acid.ti,ab.
- 153 Vitamin C.ti,ab.
- 154 ascorbate.ti,ab.
- 155 beta carotene/
- 156 beta carotene.ti,ab.
- 157 144 or 145 or 146 or 147 or 148 or 149 or 150 or 151 or 152 or 153 or 154 or 155 or 156
- fatty acids, omega-3/ or alpha-linolenic acid/ or docosahexaenoic acids/ or neuroprostanes/ or eicosapentaenoic acid/
- 159 Omega 3.ti,ab.
- 160 n 3 Fatty Acid*.ti,ab.
- 161 Linolenic Acids/
- 162 Linolenic Acid*.ti,ab.
- 163 Fatty Acids, Essential/
- 164 Dietary Fats, Unsaturated/
- 165 Fish Oils/
- 166 fish oil*.ti,ab.
- 167 diet* fatty acid*.ti,ab.
- 168 Diet, Mediterranean/
- 169 Mediterranean diet*.ti,ab.
- 170 158 or 159 or 160 or 161 or 162 or 163 or 164 or 165 or 166 or 167 or 168 or 169
- 171 Exercise/
- 172 Exercise Therapy/
- 173 Exercise Movement Techniques/
- 174 Physical Fitness/
- 175 Cardiorespiratory Fitness/
- 176 Physical Conditioning, Human/
- 177 Walking/
- 178 Stair Climbing/
- 179 Circuit-Based Exercise/
- 180 Resistance Training/
- 181 exercis*.ti,ab.
- 182 physical activity.ti,ab.
- 183 physical training.ti,ab.
- 184 strength training.ti,ab.

185 resistance training.ti,ab. 186 aerobic training.ti,ab. 187 cardiovascular training.ti,ab. 188 endurance training.ti,ab. 189 flexibility training.ti,ab. 190 Relaxation/ 191 Relaxation Therapy/ 192 relaxation.ti,ab. 193 Tai Ji/ Tai Chi.ti,ab. 194 195 walking.ti,ab. Yoga/ 196 197 yoga.ti,ab. Dancing/ 198 199 (dancing or dance).ti,ab. 200 171 or 172 or 173 or 174 or 175 or 176 or 177 or 178 or 179 or 180 or 181 or 182 or 183 or 184 or 185 or 186 or 187 or 188 or 189 or 190 or 191 or 192 or 193 or 194 or 195 or 196 or 197 or 198 or 199 201 Caregivers/ 202 caregiver*.ti,ab. 203 caregiving.ti,ab. 204 (carer or carers).ti,ab. 205 Self-Help Groups/ 206 self help.ti,ab. 207 care giver*.ti,ab. 208 Family Therapy/ 209 family therapy.ti,ab. 210 Social Support/ 211 social support*.ti,ab. 212 skills training.ti,ab. 213 Health Education/ health education.ti,ab. 214 215 education.fs. 216 education, continuing/ or education, medical, continuing/ or education, nursing, continuing/

Counseling/

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201 or 202 or 203 or 204 or 205 or 206 or 207 or 208 or 209 or 210 or 211 or 212 or 213 or 214 or 215 or 216

- 219 Directive Counseling/
- 220 Cognitive Therapy/
- 221 cognitive therap*.ti,ab.
- 222 psychotherapy/ or psychotherapy, brief/
- 223 Behavior Therapy/
- 224 behavio* therap*.ti,ab.
- 225 psychotherap*.ti,ab.
- 226 counsel*.ti,ab.
- 227 218 or 219 or 220 or 221 or 222 or 223 or 224 or 225 or 226
- 228 (cognitive* adj3 engage*).ti,ab.
- 229 (creative* adj3 engage*).ti,ab.
- 230 (cognitive* adj3 stimulat*).ti,ab.
- 231 cognitive training.ti,ab.
- 232 cognitive intervention*.ti,ab.
- 233 group reminiscence.ti,ab.
- 234 reality orientation.ti,ab.
- 235 Reality Therapy/
- 236 reality therapy.ti,ab.
- 237 cognitive exercis*.ti,ab.
- 238 228 or 229 or 230 or 231 or 232 or 233 or 234 or 235 or 236 or 237
- 239 Case Management/
- 240 Patient Care Management/
- 241 care manage*.ti,ab.
- 242 case manage*.ti,ab.
- 243 239 or 240 or 241 or 242
- 244 ((multicomponent or multi component or multidisciplinary or multi disciplinary or multimodal or multi modal) adj3 (treatment* or program* or intervention*)).ti,ab.
- 245 26 or 44 or 47 or 77 or 101 or 109 or 112 or 143 or 157 or 170 or 200 or 217 or 227 or 238 or 243 or 244
- 246 16 and 245
- 247 safety/
- 248 safety.ti,ab.
- 249 adverse event*.ti,ab.
- 250 adverse effects.fs.
- 251 adverse effect*.ti,ab.
- 252 adverse outcome*.ti,ab.

- 253 side effect*.ti,ab.
- 254 product surveillance, postmarketing/
- 255 "Drug-Related Side Effects and Adverse Reactions"/
- 256 Long Term Adverse Effects/
- 257 Adverse reaction*.ti,ab.
- 258 Adverse drug reaction*.ti,ab.
- 259 drug toxicity/
- 260 drug toxicity.ti,ab.
- 261 Harm*.ti,ab.
- 262 247 or 248 or 249 or 250 or 251 or 252 or 253 or 254 or 255 or 256 or 257 or 258 or 259 or 260 or 261
- 263 case-control studies/
- 264 retrospective studies/
- 265 cohort studies/
- 266 longitudinal studies/
- 267 follow-up studies/
- 268 prospective studies/
- 269 Cross-Sectional Studies/
- 270 cohort.ti,ab.
- 271 longitudinal.ti,ab.
- 272 follow up.ti,ab.
- 273 followup.ti,ab.
- 274 prospective*.ti,ab.
- 275 retrospective*.ti,ab.
- 276 comparison group*.ti,ab.
- 277 control group*.ti,ab.
- 278 observational.ti,ab.
- 279 nonrandom*.ti,ab.
- 280 database*.ti,ab.
- 281 population*.ti,ab.
- 282 cross sectional.ti,ab.
- 283 263 or 264 or 265 or 266 or 267 or 268 or 269 or 270 or 271 or 272 or 273 or 274 or 275 or 276 or 277 or 278 or 279 or 280 or 281 or 282
- 284 246 and 262 and 283
- 285 Animals/ not (Humans/ and Animals/)
- 286 284 not 285

- 287 limit 286 to (english language and yr="2012 -Current")
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Dementia/Mild cognitive impairment

Screening

PsycInfo

- 1 Dementia/
- 2 Dementia with Lewy bodies/
- 3 Senile Dementia/
- 4 Vascular Dementia/
- 5 Alzheimer's Disease/
- 6 Cognitive Impairment/
- 7 cognitive impairment\$.ti.
- 8 cognitive decline.ti.
- 9 cognitive loss.ti.
- 10 cognitive disorder\$.ti.
- 11 or/1-10
- 12 Screening/
- 13 Health Screening/
- 14 Screening Tests/
- 15 (screen\$ or instrument or instruments).ti,ab,id.
- 16 12 or 13 or 14 or 15
- 17 11 and 16
- 18 treatment outcome.md.
- 19 experiment controls/
- 20 controlled trial\$.ti,ab,id,hw.
- 21 clinical trial\$.ti,ab,id,hw.
- 22 random\$.ti,ab,id,hw.
- 23 placebo\$.ti,ab,id,hw.
- 24 meta analy\$.ti,ab,hw,id.
- 25 metaanaly\$.ti,ab,hw,id.
- 26 or/18-25 (238994)
- 27 Psychometrics/
- 28 Test Validity/
- 29 Interrater Reliability/

- 30 validity.ti,ab,id.
- 31 reliability.ti,ab,id.
- 32 psychometrics.ti,ab,id.
- 33 Receiver operat\$.ti,ab,id.
- 34 ROC curve\$.ti,ab,id.
- 35 sensitivit\$.ti,ab,id.
- 36 specificit\$.ti,ab,id.
- 37 predictive value.ti,ab,id.
- 38 accuracy.ti,ab,id.
- 39 false positive\$.ti,ab,id.
- 40 false negative\$.ti,ab,id.
- 41 miss rate\$.ti,ab,id.
- 42 error rate\$.ti,ab,id.
- 43 or/27-42
- 44 Anxiety/
- 45 Anxiety Disorders/
- 46 "Depression (Emotion)"/
- 47 Labeling/ (2507)
- 48 Psychological Stress/
- 49 adverse\$.ti,ab,id.
- 50 harm\$.ti,ab,id.
- 51 anxiety.ti,ab,id.
- 52 depression.ti,ab,id.
- 53 (labeling or labelled or labelled).ti,ab,id.
- 54 or/44-53
- 55 17 and (26 or 43 or 54)
- 56 17 and 55
- 57 limit 56 to (english language and yr="2012 -Current")

Dementia/Mild cognitive impairment

Treatment

PsycInfo

- 1 Dementia/
- 2 Dementia with Lewy bodies/
- 3 Senile Dementia/

- 4 Vascular Dementia/
- 5 Alzheimer's Disease/
- 6 Cognitive Impairment/
- 7 cognitive impairment\$.ti.
- 8 cognitive decline.ti.
- 9 cognitive loss.ti.
- 10 cognitive disorder\$.ti.
- 11 or/1-10
- 12 (multicomponent\$ or multidisciplinary or multimodal or multi component or multi disciplinary or multi modal).mp.
- 13 (case management or care management).mp.
- 14 (cognitive training or cognitive intervention\$ or counseling or cognitive therapy).mp.
- 15 (reminiscence or reality therapy).mp.
- 16 (Cognitive\$ adj3 engage\$).mp.
- 17 (behavio\$ therap\$ or cognitive behavio\$ therap\$ or psychotherapy).mp.
- 18 (Caregiv\$ or carer).mp.
- 19 support group\$.mp.
- 20 (self help or family therapy or social support).mp.
- 21 (health education or continuing education).mp.
- 22 (exercis\$ or physical activity).mp.
- 23 ((physical or strength or resistance or aerobic or cardiovascular or endurance or flexibility) adj training).mp.
- 24 (relaxation or tai chi or walking or yoga or dancing or dance).mp.
- 25 (Caregiv\$ or carer).mp.
- 26 (self help or family therapy or social support or support group*).mp.
- 27 (health education or continuing education or skills training).mp.
- 28 (behavio\$ therap\$ or cognitive behavio\$ therap\$ or psychotherapy).mp.
- 29 (cognitive training or cognitive intervention\$ or counseling or cognitive therap\$).mp.
- 30 (Cognitive\$ adj3 (engage\$ or stimulat\$)).mp.
- 31 (creative adj4 engage\$).mp.
- 32 (creative adj3 engage\$).mp.
- 33 (reminiscence or reality therapy or reality orientation).mp.
- 34 (case management or care management).mp.
- 35 (multicomponent or multidisciplinary or multimodal or multi component or multi disciplinary or multi modal).mp.
- 36 or/12-35
- 37 11 and 36
- 38 treatment outcome.md.

- 39 experiment controls/
- 40 controlled trial\$.ti,ab,id,hw.
- 41 clinical trial\$.ti,ab,id,hw.
- 42 random\$.ti,ab,id,hw.
- 43 placebo\$.ti,ab,id,hw.
- 44 meta analy\$.ti,ab,hw,id.
- 45 metaanaly\$.ti,ab,hw,id.
- 46 or/38-45
- 47 37 and 46
- 48 Anxiety/
- 49 Anxiety Disorders/
- 50 "Depression (Emotion)"/
- 51 Psychological Stress/
- 52 exp "side effects (treatment)"/
- 53 safety.ti,ab,id.
- 54 adverse\$.ti,ab,id.
- 55 harm\$.ti,ab,id.
- 56 anxiety.ti,ab,id.
- 57 depression.ti,ab,id.
- 58 or/48-57
- 59 37 and 58
- 60 47 or 59
- 61 limit 60 to (english language and yr="2012 -Current")

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- training"[tiab] OR "flexibility training"[tiab] OR relaxation[tiab] OR walking[tiab] OR yoga[tiab] OR "tai chi"[tiab] OR danc*[tiab]
- #20 multicomponent[tiab] OR multidisciplinary[tiab] OR multimodal[tiab] OR "multi component"[tiab] OR "multi disciplinary"[tiab] OR "multi modal"[tiab]
- #19 "case management"[tiab] OR "care management"[tiab]
- #18 engage*[tiab] OR "cognitive exercise"[tiab] OR "cognitive exercises"[tiab]
- #17 counsel*[tiab] OR psychotherapy[tiab] OR behavio* therap*[tiab] OR cognitive therapy*[tiab]
- #16 caregiv*[tiab] OR carer*[tiab] OR "self help"[tiab] OR "family therapy"[tiab] OR "social support"[tiab] OR "skills training"[tiab] OR education[tiab]
- #15 omega*[tiab] OR "fatty acid"[tiab] OR "fatty acids"[tiab] OR linolenic[tiab] OR "mediterranean diet"[tiab]
- #14 antioxidant*[tiab] OR "vitamin e"[tiab] OR "ascorbic acid"[tiab] OR ascorbate[tiab] OR "vitamin c"[tiab] OR "beta carotene"[tiab]
- #13 folic[tiab] OR folate[tiab] OR "vitamin b"[tiab] OR bl[tiab] OR b2[tiab] OR b6[tiab] OR b12[tiab]
- #12 cholinesterase[tiab] OR donepezil[tiab] OR galantamine[tiab] OR memantine[tiab]
- #11 hormone*[tiab] OR estrogen*[tiab] OR estradiol[tiab] OR Medroxyprogesterone[tiab] OR Progesterone[tiab] OR androgen*[tiab] OR testosterone[tiab] OR Dehydroepiandrosterone[tiab] OR Norethindrone[tiab]
- #10 aspirin[tiab]
 - #9 nsaid*[tiab] OR nonsteroidal[tiab]
- #8 statin*[tiab] OR antihypertensive*[tiab] OR diuretic*[tiab] OR beta blocker*[tiab] OR alpha blocker*[tiab] OR ace inhibitor*[tiab] OR "calcium channel"[tiab] OR vasodilator*[tiab]
- #7 #1 AND #6
- #6 sensitivit*[tiab] OR "ROC Curve"[tiab] OR "predictive value"[tiab] OR accuracy[tiab] OR false negative*[tiab] OR false positive*[tiab] OR diagnostic error*[tiab] OR reproducibility[tiab] OR reference value*[tiab] OR reference standard*[tiab] OR observer variation*[tiab]
- #5 #3 OR #4
- #4 (cognitive[ti] AND screen*[ti])
- #3 #1 AND #2
- #2 screen*[tiab] OR instrument[tiab] OR instruments[tiab] OR assess*[ti] OR tool*[ti] OR test*[ti] OR evaluat*[ti] OR questionnaire*[ti]
- #1 dementia[ti] OR "cognitive impairment"[ti] OR "cognitively impaired"[ti] OR "cognitive impairments"[ti] OR "cognitive loss"[ti] OR "cognitive decline"[ti] OR "cognitive disorder"[ti] OR "cognitive disorders"[ti] OR mci[ti]

Appendix A Table 1. Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria

	Included	Excluded
Condition	KQs 1–3: Any cognitive impairment (mild cognitive impairment* or dementia [†])	KQs 4, 5: Severe dementia
	KQs 4, 5: Mild cognitive impairment* or mild to moderate dementia [†]	
Populations	 KQs 1–3: Community-dwelling older adults (including those residing in independent living facilities) age ≥65 years (or studies with a mean age ≥65 years) without a current diagnosis of mild cognitive impairment or dementia; informal caregivers taking some responsibility for the care of the patient, such as a spouse, partner, relative, or friend KQs 4–5: Community-dwelling older adults (including those residing in independent living facilities) age ≥65 years (or studies with a mean age ≥65 years) with a current diagnosis of mild cognitive impairment or dementia; informal caregivers taking some responsibility for the care of the patient, such as a spouse, partner, relative, or friend 	Studies comprised exclusively of persons diagnosed with depression or psychosis, alcohol use disorder, HIV/AIDS, Down syndrome, posttraumatic brain injury, metabolic disorders, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, or stroke Persons living in special settings outside of the community (e.g., hospitals, nursing or care homes, rehabilitation centers, other long-term care facilities) Professional caregivers who are formally or professionally trained and paid a salary
Settings	Primary care outpatient settings (ambulatory care), home, residential care facilities, assisted living facilities, and adult foster care	All KQs: Hospitals, intermediate care facilities (e.g., nursing homes, rehabilitation facilities, subacute care facilities), emergency departments, or other settings not generalizable to primary care KQs 1–3: Studies in which participants are recruited from memory, dementia, geropsychiatry, or neurology clinics
Screening	Screening instruments that can be delivered in primary care in ≤10 minutes by the clinician or ≤20 minutes by the patient; informant instruments	Screening instruments that take >10 minutes for clinician administration or >20 minutes for self-administration; biomarkers (cerebrospinal fluid, blood plasma, urine) or imaging (computed tomography, magnetic resonance imaging, positron emission tomography)
Interventions	Use of medications approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (alone or in combination) for the treatment of dementia: Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors (donepezil, galantamine, rivastigmine) NMDA (N-methyl-D-aspartate) receptor antagonists (memantine) Use of other medications or dietary supplements: Medications aimed at cardiovascular risk reduction for treatment of vascular dementia (antiplatelet medications, antihypertension medications, HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors) Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (ibuprofen, naproxen, indomethacin, celecoxib) Gonadal steroids (estrogen, progesterone, testosterone) Vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants (B vitamins and folate, vitamins C and E, beta-carotene, omega-3 fatty acids)	dementia (i.e., antipsychotics, antiepileptics, antidepressants, selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors) • Medications not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of dementia or not available in

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Comparisons	 Cessation of medications that may be contributing to cognitive impairment (e.g., anticholinergic medications, benzodiazepines) Nonpharmacologic interventions aimed primarily at the patient, including cognitive training, rehabilitation, or stimulation, with or without motor skills training interventions; exercise interventions; nutrition counseling; multidisciplinary care interventions involving assessment and care coordination; and education-only interventions Nonpharmacologic interventions aimed primarily at the caregiver or caregiver-patient dyad KQs 1, 3: No screening, usual care KQ 2: Reference standard (clinical assessment or neuropsychologic testing with explicit diagnostic criteria, with or without expert consensus/conference) KQs 3–5: No intervention Usual care Wait list Attention control Minimal intervention KQs 1, 4: Decisionmaking outcomes: For patients and family/caregivers: Health care, legal, and financial planning (e.g., advanced directives); safety planning; living arrangements For clinicians: Health care planning, including advanced directives; patient and caregiver education; safety planning; monitored medication use; screening and diagnostic decisions (e.g., cancer screening); and other treatment or management decisions Patient-related outcomes: Health-related quality of life Incident dementia Overall dementia severity Cognitive function Physical function (e.g., activities of daily living, instrumental activities of daily living) Global function Dementia-related symptoms/behaviors (e.g., neuropsychiatric disturbances, insomnia, depression, agitation, verbal aggression, apathy) 	KQs 1, 4: Decisionmaking outcomes: Cost-related outcomes Patient-related outcomes: Cost-related outcomes; patient satisfaction (other than health-related quality of life); biomarker protein levels, brain matter volume, and brain cell activity level; function markers (e.g., Timed Up and Go Test, 6-meter timed walk, Functional Reach Test) Family/caregiver-related outcomes: Cost-related outcomes; family/caregiver satisfaction (other than caregiver burden and health-related quality of life) Societal outcomes: Cost-related outcomes KQ 2: Cost-related outcomes KQ 3, 5: Patient or family/caregiver dissatisfaction (other than psychological harms or patient adherence)
	 depression, agitation, verbal aggression, apathy) Safety (falls, other accidents) Unanticipated health care utilization (emergency use/hospitalizations) Institutionalizations/nursing home admissions Medication adherence/compliance/errors Family/caregiver-related outcomes: (a priori defined as primary or secondary outcomes in the trial)	

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	Included	Excluded
	 Health-related quality of life Global stress/distress Caregiver burden Depression Anxiety 	
	Societal outcomes: Safety (e.g., automobile accidents) KQ 2: Sensitivity, specificity, likelihood ratios, positive and negative predictive values, area under the curve KQ 3: Paradoxical effects (unwanted or unexpected direction of effects of outcomes), psychological harms (depression, anxiety), and harms due to labeling	
	(psychological harms, insurance status, loss of driving privileges) KQ 5: Serious adverse events (e.g., death, serious adverse drug reactions), adverse reactions from medications, unexpected medical attention (e.g., emergency department visits, hospitalizations), paradoxical effects (unwanted or unexpected direction of effects of outcomes), and psychological harms (depression, anxiety)	
Timing of outcome assessment	KQs 1, 4: ≥3 months after baseline KQs 3, 5: No minimum followup	KQs 1, 4: <3 months after baseline
Countries	Studies conducted in countries categorized as "Very High" on the 2014 Human Development Index (as defined by the United Nations Development Programme)	Studies conducted in countries that are not categorized as "Very High" on the 2014 Human Development Index
Study designs	KQs 1, 4: Randomized, controlled trials; nonrandomized, controlled trials KQ 2: Diagnostic accuracy studies KQs 3, 5: Randomized, controlled trials; nonrandomized, controlled trials; open-label extensions of KQ 4 trials; cohort or case-control studies	KQs 1, 4: Observational studies KQ 2: Case-control studies KQ 3, 5: Case series, case reports KQ 5: Cohort or case-control studies with <1,000 participants
Publication language	English	Languages other than English
Study quality	Fair- or good-quality studies	Poor-quality studies (according to design- specific USPSTF criteria)

^{*} Mild cognitive impairment is distinguished from dementia by virtue of causing cognitive impairment that is not severe enough to interfere with independence in daily function, although the nomenclature, definitions, and criteria may vary within the included body of evidence.

Abbreviations: KQ = key question; USPSTF = United States Preventive Services Task Force

[†] Includes major dementia syndromes due to Alzheimer's disease, vascular dementia, frontotemporal dementia, dementia with Lewy bodies, and dementia of mixed etiology.

Appendix A Table 2. Study Design-Specific Quality Rating Criteria*

Study Design	Adapted Quality Criteria
Cohort studies, adapted	Bias arising in randomization process or due to confounding
from Newcastle-Ottawa Scale ¹⁰⁹	Balance in baseline characteristics
Scale	No baseline confounding
	No time-varying confounding
	Bias in selecting participants into the study
	No evidence of biased selection of sample
	Start of followup and start of intervention coincide
	Bias due to departures form intended interventions
	Participant intervention status is clearly and explicitly defined and measured
	Classification of intervention status is unaffected by knowledge of the outcome or risk of the outcome
	Bias in classifying interventions
	Fidelity to intervention protocol
	Participants were analyzed as originally allocated
	Bias from missing data
	bias from missing data
	Outcome data are reasonably complete and comparable between groups
	Confounding variables that are controlled for in analysis are reasonably complete
	 Reasons for missing data are similar across groups Missing data are unlikely to bias results
	• Missing data are unlikely to bias results
	Bias in measurement of outcomes
	Blinding of outcome assessors
	Outcomes are measured using consistent and appropriate procedures and instruments across treatment groups
	No evidence of biased use of inferential statistics
	Bias in reporting results selectively
	No evidence that the measures, analyses, or subgroup analyses are selectively reported

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Study Design	Adapted Quality Criteria
Diagnostic accuracy	Patient Selection
studies, adapted from the	
Quality Assessment of	Was a consecutive or random sample of patients enrolled?
Diagnostic Accuracy	Did the study avoid inappropriate exclusions?
Studies (QUADAS) I ¹¹⁰ and	Index Test
II ¹¹¹ instrument	Ware the index test as also interpreted with sort he and also of the enforcement at all and as alter
	Were the index test results interpreted without knowledge of the reference standard results? If a threshold was used two it present sifed as was a results after the results.
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	Reference Standard
	Is the reference standard likely to correctly classify the target condition?
	Were the reference standard results interpreted without knowledge of the index test?
	Were staff trained in the use of the reference standard?
	Was fidelity of the reference standard monitored or reported?
	Flow and Timing
	Was there an appropriate interval between the index test and reference standard?
	Did all patients receive a reference standard?
	Did all patients receive the same reference standard? Was all patients included in the analysis?
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adapted from U.S.	Bias arising in the randomization process or due to confounding
Preventive Services Task	 Valid random assignment/random sequence generation method used Allocation concealed
Force Manual ¹⁰⁸	Balance in baseline characteristics
	Bias in selecting participants into the study
	CCT only: No evidence of biased selection of sample
	Bias due to departures from intended interventions
	• Fidelity to the intervention protocol
	Low risk of contamination between groups
	Participants were analyzed as originally allocated
	Bias from missing data
	No, or minimal, post-randomization exclusions
	Outcome data are reasonably complete and comparable between groups
	Reasons for missing data are similar across groups
	Missing data are unlikely to bias results
	Bias in measurement of outcomes
	Blinding of outcome assessors
	Outcomes are measured using consistent and appropriate procedures and instruments across treatment groups
	No evidence of biased use of inferential statistics
	Bias in reporting results selectively
	No evidence that the measures, analyses, or subgroup analyses are selectively reported No evidence that the measures, analyses, or subgroup analyses are selectively reported No evidence that the measures, analyses, or subgroup analyses are selectively reported

^{*} All randomized clinical trials were classified as good, fair, or poor according to the USPSTF Procedure Manual 108

Domain/Scale	Description	Number of items; range; direction	Clinical Interpretation
Global Cognitive Function	Memory, orientation, language, praxis, etc.		
Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale- cognitive subscale (ADAS- Cog-11) ^{461, 462}	 Cognitive subscale of the ADAS that includes 11 tasks that include both subject-completed tests and observer-based assessments Specific tasks include word recall, naming objects and fingers, commands, constructional praxis, ideational praxis, orientation, word recognition, and language Most sensitive in moderate-stage patients, but not those in mild stage 	11; 0–70; higher scores worse	Interpretation of score: ⁴⁶² No impairment: 0 Severe impairment: 70 Interpretation of change: ¹⁰⁶ A change of 4 points or more on the ADAS-Cog scale is considered a clinically important improvement for mild to moderate dementia
Mini-Mental State Exam (MMSE) ⁴⁶³	 Clinician administered patient evaluation Assesses 5 cognitive domains: orientation, memory (registration and recall), attention/calculation, language, and visuospatial abilities 	11; 0–30; higher scores better	Interpretation of score: ⁴⁶³ No impairment: 30 Severe impairment: 0 Interpretation of change: ¹⁰⁶ A change of 3 points or more is considered clinically important
Global Function	Summary outcome assessment of overall severity of condition		Any improvement in global function is considered clinical improvement; however, results depend on an individual physician's perception.
Clinician's Interview-Based Impression of Change with Caregiver Input (CIBIC+) ⁴⁶⁴	semi-structured interview covering change in cognition, behavior, function		Interpretation of score: ⁴⁶⁴ Marked improvement: 1 Moderate improvement: 2 Minimal improvement: 3 No change: 4 Minimal worsening: 5 Moderate worsening: 6 Marked worsening: 7
Clinical Dementia Rating (CDR)/CDR-Sum of Boxes (CDR-SB) ⁴⁶⁵	 Clinician administered semi-structured interview of patient and a reliable collateral source (e.g., family member) Characterizes six domains of cognitive functional performance applicable to ADRD: memory, orientation, judgement & problem solving, community affairs, home & hobbies, and personal care 	CDR-SB: 6; 0–18; higher scores worse	Interpretation of score: ⁴⁶⁵ CDR: No dementia: 0 Questionable dementia: 0.5 Mild dementia: 1 Moderate dementia: 2 Severe dementia: 3

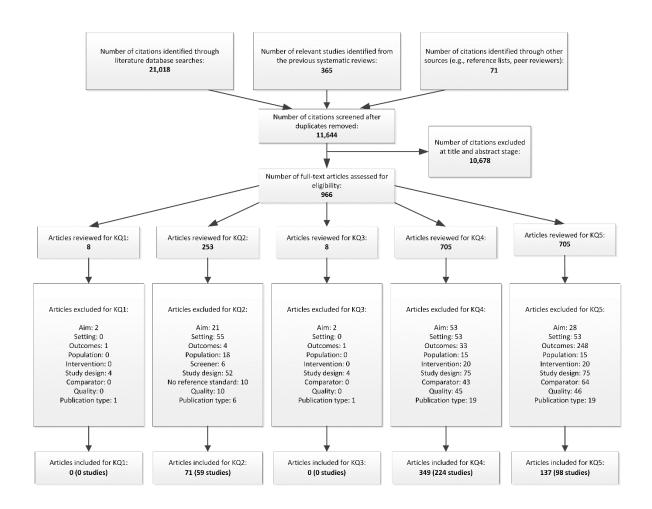
Domain/Scale		Number of items; range; direction	Clinical Interpretation
Global Deterioration Scale (GDS) ⁴⁶⁶	 Clinician rated based on cognitive change only Provides caregivers an overview of the stages of cognitive function from a primary degenerative dementia such as AD 	NA (unstructured interview); 1–7; higher scores worse	Interpretation of score.466 No decline: 1 Very mild cognitive decline: 2 Mild cognitive decline (MCI): 3 Moderate cognitive decline: 4 Moderately severe cognitive decline: 5 Severe cognitive decline: 6 Very severe cognitive decline: 7
Physical Function	Activities of daily living (ADLs) and Instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs)		
Alzheimer's Disease Cooperative Study Activities of Daily Living (ADCS-ADL ₂₃) (23- item version) ⁴⁶⁷	 Informant rated interview developed to evaluate ADL abilities over time and detect changes in patients with mild-to-moderate AD, such as using household appliances, choosing clothes to wear, bathing, and toileting 	23; 0–78; higher scores better	Interpretation of score: ⁴⁶⁷ Higher scores indicate less functional impairment
Disability Assessment for Dementia (DAD) ⁴⁶⁸	caregiver/informant Intended specifically for the assessment of basic ADLs (hygiene, dressing, continence, and eating) and IADLs (meal preparation, telephoning, going on an outing, finance and correspondence, leisure, and housework) in patients with AD. Each activity is evaluated according to three executive factors: initiation, planning-organization, and performance		Interpretation of score. ⁴⁶⁸ Higher scores indicate less functional disability
Lawton & Brody Instrumental Activities of Daily Living Scale (Lawton IADL) ⁴⁶⁹	 surrogate report Measures 8 domains of function: ability to use telephone, shopping, food preparation, housekeeping, laundry, mode of transportation, responsibility for own medications, and ability to handle finances 	8; 0–8-point scale; higher scores better	Interpretation of score: ⁴⁶⁹ Low function, dependent: 0 High function, independent: 8
Patient Mental Health and Neuropsychiatric	Depression and composite neuropsychiatric symptom scores		
Symptoms Cornell Scale for Depression in Dementia (CSDD) ⁴⁷⁰	 Information obtained from interview of a caregiver/informant as well as form direct observation and interview of the patient Designed to assess major depression in elderly people with dementia based on mood-related signs, behavioral disturbance, physical signs, cyclic functions, and ideational disturbance 	19; 0–38; higher scores worse	Interpretation of score.⁴70 Absence of significant depression symptoms: <6 Probable depression: ≥10 Definite major depression: ≥18

Domain/Scale	Description	Number of items; range;	Clinical Interpretation		
Geriatric Depression Scale (GDS)/GDS-15 item (GDS- 15) ⁴⁷¹	Designed to detect depression in the elderly, assessment is based on self-report	GDS: 30; 0–30; higher scores worse GDS-15: 15; 0–15; higher scores worse	Interpretation of score: GDS: Normal: 0–9 Mild depression: 10–19 Severe depression: ≥20 GDS-15: Normal: 0–5 Presence of depression (indicates further evaluation needed): 6–10 Definite depression: ≥11		
Neuropsychiatric Inventory (NPI-10 ⁴⁷² or NPI-12 ⁴⁷³)	 NPI-10: Caregiver/informant interview of 10 behavioral symptom domains rated on a scale based on frequency and severity (delusions, hallucinations, agitation/aggression, dysphoria, anxiety, euphoria, apathy, disinhibition, irritability/lability, and aberrant motor behavior) NPI-12: Caregiver/informant interview of 10 behavioral symptom domains (delusions, hallucinations, agitation/aggression, dysphoria, anxiety, euphoria, apathy, disinhibition, irritability/lability, and aberrant motor behavior) and 2 neurovegetative domains (sleep and appetite) rated on a scale based on frequency and severity 	NPI-10: 10; 0–120; higher scores worse NPI-12: 12; 0–144; higher scores worse	Higher scores indicate more behavioral disturbance for both NPI and RMBPC. Unclear interpretation of specific scores.		
Revised Memory and Behavior Problems Checklist (RMBPC) (Total Number of Behavioral and Memory Problems or Total Frequency of Memory and Behavioral Problems) ⁴⁷⁴	 Caregiver-administered paper-and-pencil measure Portion of the RMBPC focused on the frequency and total number of problematic behaviors (memory-related problems, depression, and disruptive behaviors) in patients with dementia 	RMBPC (Total): 24; 0–24; higher scores worse RMBPC (Frequency): 24; 0–96; higher scores worse			
Caregiver Depressive Symptomatology					
Center for Epidemiologic Studies – Depression Scale (CES-D) ⁴⁷⁵	 Scores represent depressed affect, absence of positive affect or anhedonia, somatic activity or inactivity, and interpersonal challenges 	20; 0–60; higher scores worse	Interpretation of score. ^{352, 475} Clinically significant depression: ≥16		
Beck Depression Inventory (BDI-I, II) ⁴⁷⁶	 Self-rated scale that evaluates key symptoms of depression including mood, pessimism, sense of failure, self-dissatisfaction, guilt, punishment, self-dislike, self-accusation, suicidal ideas, crying, irritability, social withdrawal, 	21; 0–63; higher scores worse	Interpretation of score: Minimal depression: 0–13 Mild depression: 14–19 Moderate depression: 20–28 Severe depression: 29–63		

Domain/Scale	Description	Number of items; range; direction	Clinical Interpretation
	indecisiveness, body image change, work difficulty, insomnia, fatigability, loss of appetite, weight loss, somatic preoccupation, and loss of libido		
Caregiver Burden			
Zarit Burden Interview-22 item (Zarit-22) ⁴⁷⁷	 Caregiver-rated or clinician-administered interview Measures perceived social, physical, financial, and emotional burden of caregiving 	22; 0–88; higher scores worse	Higher scores indicate greater caregiver burden for Zarit-22 and RMBPC. Unclear interpretation of specific scores.
Revised Memory and Behavior Problems Checklist (RMBPC) – Total caregiver reaction to problem behaviors ⁴⁷⁴	caregiver's reaction to problematic behaviors (memory-related problems, depression, and disruptive behaviors) in patients with dementia	24; 0–96; higher scores worse	
Patient and Caregiver Qua	ality of Life		
Quality of Life in Alzheimer's Disease (QOL- AD) ⁴⁷⁸	 Patients and caregivers typically complete the QOL-AD separately 13-items that measure the domains of physical condition, mood, memory, functional abilities, interpersonal relationships, ability to participate in meaningful activities, financial situation, and global assessments of self as a whole and QOL as a whole 	13; 13–52; higher scores better	Higher scores indicate better quality of life for all listed QOL instruments. Unclear interpretation of specific scores.
Dementia Quality of Life (DEMQOL) ⁴⁷⁹	 Patient- or proxy-reported Addresses 5 domains: daily activities and looking after yourself, health and well-being, cognitive functioning, social relationships and self-concept 		
EuroQOL-5 dimensions (EQ-5D) ⁴⁸⁰	 Patient- or proxy-reported health-related quality of life Has 2 core components: a description of the respondent's own health using a health state classification system with 5 dimensions (mobility, self-care, usual activities, pain/discomfort, and anxiety/depression) and a rating on a visual analog thermometer scale 	5; 0–100; higher scores better	

Domain/Scale	Description	Number of items; range; direction	Clinical Interpretation
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Short Form Health Survey –	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	SF-36: 36; 0–100; higher scores	
36 Item (SF-36)/Short Form	, ,	better	
Health Survey –12 Item	 Organized into 8 multi-item scales including 	SF-12: 12; 0–100; higher scores	
(SF-12) ⁴⁸¹	physical functioning; role limitations due to	better	
	physical health (Role functioning/physical); role		
	limitations due to emotional problems (Role		
	functioning/emotional); energy/fatigue (vitality);		
	emotional well-being (mental health); social		
	functioning; pain; general health		

Appendix B. Literature Flow Diagram



Below is a list of included studies and their ancillary publications (indented below main results publication):

KQ1 and KQ3

No studies were identified.

KQ2

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Exclusion Code and Definition

E1. Study relevance

E1b. Treatment trial with primary prevention; healthy population without dementia or MCI

E2. Study design

E2a. Not an included study design (be more specific if E2b-E2e apply)

E2b. Comparative effectiveness

E2c. Followup <3 months (does not apply for harms)

E2d. Case-control (for KQ2 only)

E2e. Cohort or case-control n<1000 (KQ5 only)

E2f. No comparator/unexposed group (specific to harms outcomes)

E3. Setting

E3a. Not conducted in 'very high' HDI country

E3b. Intermediate care facility (nursing home, rehabilitation facility, subacute care)

E3c. Other unrepresentative setting (hospital, emergency department; KQ2: memory, dementia clinics)

E4. Population

E4a. Mean age <65 years

E4b. Exclusively among those with depression or psychosis, alcohol use disorder, HIV/AIDS, Down syndrome, posttraumatic brain injury, metabolic disorders, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, or stroke

E4c. Severe dementia

E4d. Professional caregiver

E4e. Not representative of community-dwelling population (e.g., patients needed to have a sign of cognitive decline during the clinical investigation) (KQ2 only)

E5. Outcomes: No relevant outcomes

E6a. Screener: Not a relevant screening instrument (e.g., time for test administration too long [>10 min clinician, >20 min self], assessment battery [vs. screening instrument])

E6b. Intervention: Not one of the specified interventions/treatments

E6c. Intervention aim: Focused on improving symptoms (mood, neuropsychiatric symptoms) or functional performance or reducing falls

E7b. Does not use a reference standard

E7c. Study quality (general)

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Medication	Quality	Pop cat	Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	Time, mo.	mean (SD)	IG n at FU	mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	CG mean change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p-value
Donepezil	Black, 2003 ¹⁸⁴ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	20.9 [‡] (0.7) [§]	186	NR	-1.52 (0.40) [§]	20.1 [‡] (0.7) [§]	188	NR	0.72 (0.40) [§]	NR, <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	21.2 [‡] (0.8)§	185	NR	-0.96 ⁱⁱ (0.39) [§]	20.1 [‡] (0.7) [§]	188	NR	0.72 (0.40) [§]	NR, <0.01
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	21.8 [‡] (0.3)§	195	NR		21.7 [‡] (0.3)§	194	NR	0.39 (0.23) [§]	NR, <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	6	21.9 [‡] (0.3) [§]	196	NR		21.7 [‡] (0.3) [§]	194	NR	0.39 (0.23) [§]	NR, <0.05
Donepezil	Burns, 1999 ¹⁸⁵ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	NR	202	NR	-1.90 (0.31) [§]	NR	219	NR	0.37 (0.30) [§]	NR, <0.0001
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	NR	202	NR	-1.70 (0.37) [§]	NR	219	NR	1.31 (0.38) [§]	NR, <0.0001
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	NR	273	NR		NR	274	NR	1.66 (0.36) [§]	LSM Change=-2.9, <0.0001
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	3	NR	211	NR	-1.54 (0.29) [§]	NR	219	NR	0.37 (0.30) [§]	NR, <0.0001
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	4	NR	211	NR	-0.58 (0.35) [§]	NR	219	NR	1.31 (0.38) [§]	NR, 0.0002
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	NR	271	NR		NR	274	NR	1.66 (0.36) [§]	LSM Change=-1.5, 0.0021
Donepezil	Doody, 2009 ¹⁸⁶ Fair	MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-89)	IG1	11	18.3 (6.6)	379	NR	-1.0 (0.4)§	18.2 (7.0)	378	NR	-0.13 (0.4)§	MDC (SE)=-0.9 (0.37), 0.01
Donepezil		MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	11	27.5 (1.9)	379	NR	0.1 (0.1)§		378	NR	0.0 (0.2)§	NS "
Donepezil	Feldman, 2001 ¹⁸⁷ Fair-Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	11.72 (0.35)§	127	NR	1.79 (0.35) [§]	11.97 (0.34)§	132	NR	0.23 (0.34) [§]	NR, 0.0004
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	11.72 (0.35)§	131	NR	1.34 (0.34) [§]	11.97 (0.34)§	139	NR	-0.42 (0.34) [§]	MDC=1.79, <0.0001
Donepezil	Holmes, 2004 ¹⁸⁸ Fair-Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	21.1 (0.9)§	41	NR	-0.1 (0.6)§	20.8 (0.6)§	55	NR	1.8 (0.5)§	NR, 0.02
Donepezil	Ikeda, 2015*189 Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	20.3 (4.8)	49	NR	2.2 (0.4)§		44	NR	0.6 (0.5)§	MDC (95% CI)=1.6 (0.3, 2.8), 0.016
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	3	20.6 (4.1)	43	NR	1.4 (0.5)§	20.3 (4.2)	44	NR	0.6 (0.5)§	MDC (95% CI)=0.8 (- 0.5, 2.1), 0.232
Donepezil	Krishnan, 2003 ¹⁹⁰ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	26.51 (12.13)	31	NR	-2.06 (NR)	26.44 (12.29)	30	NR	1.22 (NR)	NR, <0.007
Donepezil	Krishnan, 2003 ¹⁹⁰ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	26.51 (12.13)	30	NR		26.44 (12.29)	29	NR	1.60 ^{II} (NR)	NR, <0.04
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	26.51 (12.13)	34	NR		26.44 (12.29)	32	NR	3.2 (NR)	NR, <0.04

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Donepezil	Fair-Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	18.55 (3.47)	25	NR	1.2 (-3.6, 1.2) [¶]	18.80 (3.63)	26	NR	-0.25 (- 2.17, 2.67) [¶]	MDC (95% CI)=1.2 (- 1.2, 3.6), 0.06
Donepezil	Mori, 2012 ¹⁹³ Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	19.8 (4.4)	36	NR	2.0 (3.3)	18.3 (4.7)	31	NR	-0.4 (2.7)	MDC (95% CI)=2.4 (0.9, 3.9), <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	3	19.8 (4.4)	32	NR	3.4 (3.2)	18.3 (4.7)	31	NR	-0.4 (2.7)	MDC (95% CI)=3.8 (2.3, 5.3), <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG3	3	20.4 (4.1)	35	NR	1.6 (3.8)	18.3 (4.7)	31	NR	-0.4 (2.7)	MDC (95% CI)=2.0 (0.4, 3.7), 0.013
Donepezil	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴ Fair	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	11.28 (4.5)	NR	NR	-0.61 (3.79)	11.03 (4.2)	NR	NR	-0.13 (3.34)	
Donepezil		MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	11.28 (4.5)	NR	NR	0.17 (3.73)	11.03 (4.2)	NR	NR	0.61 (4.10)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	ÀDAŚ-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	18	11.28 (4.5)	NR	NR	1.08 (4.37)	11.03 (4.2)	NR	NR	1.29 (4.71)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	ÀDAŚ-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	24	11.28 (4.5)	NR	NR	1.22 (4.79)	11.03 (4.2)	NR	NR	1.49 (5.07)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	ÀDAŚ-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	30	11.28 (4.5)	NR	NR	2.71 (5.21)	11.03 (4.2)	NR	NR	2.98 (5.62)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	36	11.28 (4.5)	161	NR	3.68 (5.95)	11.03 (4.2)	193	NR	3.74 (6.97)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG1	6	17.72 (6.2)	NR	NR	-1.23 (4.74)	17.40 (6.0)	NR	NR	-0.09 (4.38)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG1	12	17.72 (6.2)	NR	NR	-0.55 (5.20)	17.40 (6.0)	NR	NR	0.60 (4.96)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG1	18	17.72 (6.2)	NR	NR	0.03 (5.64)	17.40 (6.0)	NR	NR	0.99 (6.07)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG1	24	17.72 (6.2)	NR	NR	0.35 (6.23)	17.40 (6.0)	NR	NR	1.02 (6.27)	NR
Donepezil	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴ Fair	MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG1	30	17.72 (6.2)	NR	NR	2.05 (6.74)	17.40 (6.0)	NR	NR	2.65 (7.02)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG1	36	17.72 (6.2)	161	NR	3.12 (7.39)	17.40 (6.0)	193	NR	3.72 (8.54)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	27.25 (1.8)	NR	NR	0.06 (2.03)	27.35 (1.8)	NR	NR	-0.36 (2.02)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	27.25 (1.8)	NR	NR	-0.31 (2.25)	27.35 (1.8)	NR	NR	-0.80 (2.34)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	18	27.25 (1.8)	NR	NR	-0.52 (2.46)	27.35 (1.8)	NR	NR	-1.02 (2.61)	NR
Donepezil		MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	24	27.25 (1.8)	NR	NR	-0.98 (2.54)	27.35 (1.8)	NR	NR	-1.49 (2.90)	NR

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Donepezil		MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	30	27.25 (1.8)	NR	NR	-1.47 (3.04)	27.35 (1.8)	NR	NR	-1.77 (3.24)	
Donepezil		MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	36	27.25 (1.8)	161	NR	-2.31 (3.72)	27.35 (1.8)	193	NR	-2.75 (4.04)	NR
Donepezil	Rogers, 1996 ¹⁹⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	29.1 (NR)	38	NR	-2.5 (-8.0, 7.0)#	27.2 (NR)	40	NR	0.7 (-7.0, 14.5)#	NR, <0.01
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	3	29.2 (NR)	40	NR	-1.4 (- 12.0, 11.0)#	27.2 (NR)	40	NR	0.7 (-7.0, 14.5)#	NR, <0.05
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG3	3	26.6 (NR)	41	NR	-0.9 (- 11.3, 12.0)#	27.2 (NR)	40	NR	0.7 (-7.0, 14.5)#	NS
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	18.0 (NR)	38	NR	2.0 (-1.0, 7.0)#	18.2 (NR)	40	NR	1.2 (-6.0, 8.0)#	NS
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	3	18.6 (NR)	40	NR	0.9 (-7.0, 5.0)#	18.2 (NR)	40	NR	1.2 (-6.0, 8.0)#	NS
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG3	3	19.6 (NR)	41	NR	0.6 (-4.0, 7.0)#	18.2 (NR)	40	NR	1.2 (-6.0, 8.0)#	NS
Donepezil	Rogers, 1998 ¹⁹⁵ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	26.4 (0.89)§	155	NR	-2.7 [∥] (0.43)§	25.3 (0.87)§	150	NR	0.4 (0.43)	MDC (95% CI)=-3.1 (-4.22, -1.92), <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	3	26.4 (0.92)§	156	NR	-2.1 (0.43) [§]	25.3 (0.87)§	150	NR	0.4 (0.43) §	MDC (95% CI)=-2.5 (-3.59, -1.29), <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	19.35 (0.40)§	156	NR	1.3 (0.24) [§]	19.80 (0.35)§	150	NR	0.04 (0.25)	MDC (95% CI)=1.3 (0.65, 1.97), <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	3	19.39 (0.39)§	156	NR	1.0 [∥] (0.25) [§]	19.80 (0.35)§	150	NR	0.04 (0.25)	MDC (95% CI)=1.0 (0.33, 1.65), <0.004
Donepezil	Salloway, 2004 ¹⁹⁷ Fair-Good	MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG1	6	20.0 (6.2)	130	NR	-3.1 (0.5) [§]	19.5 (6.9)	132	NR	-1.2 (0.5)§	NR, 0.006
Donepezil		MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (D)	IG1	6	NA	130	105 (80.8)**	NR	NA	132	86 (65.2)**	NR	NR
Donepezil		MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (D)	IG1	6	NA	130	65 (50.0)††	NR	NA	132	42 (31.8) ^{††}	NR	NR
Donepezil		MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (D)	IG1	6	NA	130	29 (22.3) ^{‡‡}	NR	NA	132	16 (12.1) ^{‡‡}	NR	NR
Donepezil	Seltzer, 2004 ¹⁹⁸ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG1	3	21.0 (7.9)	79	NR	-1.52 (0.63)§	21.3 (6.8)	51	NR	0.39 (0.68)§	NR, 0.03
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG1	4	21.0 (7.9)	70	NR	-1.32 (0.68)§	21.3 (6.8)	49	NR	0.29 (0.65)§	NR, NR

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Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)		6	21.0 (7.9)	91	NR	-1.64 (0.50)§	21.3 (6.8)	55	NR	, ,	MDC=-2.3, 0.001
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 13 (D)	IG1	6	NA	67	25 (37.3) ^{††}	NR	NA	45	7 (15.6) ^{††}	NR	NR, 0.02
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	24.1 (1.7)	79	NR	1.60 (0.37)§	24.3 (1.3)	51	NR	0.39 (0.38)§	NR, 0.04
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	24.1 (1.7)	91	NR	1.34 (0.36)§	24.3 (1.3)	55	NR	0.09 (0.42)§	MDC=1.8, 0.002
Donepezil	Tune, 2003 ¹⁹⁹ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	21.86 (6.59)	14	NR	-3.98 (3.46)	21.81 (10.00)	13	NR	-2.95 (3.40)	MDC (95% CI)=NR, (-3.75, 1.69), 0.459
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	21.86 (6.59)	14	NR	-3.65 (5.03)	21.81 (10.00)	13	NR	-1.56 (2.07)	MDC (95% CI)=NR, (-5.18, 1.00), 0.186
Donepezil	Wilkinson, 2003 ²⁰⁰	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	20.6 [‡] (0.7) [§]	172	NR	-2.97 (0.41) [§]	18.8 [‡] (0.7)§	167	NR	-0.91 [∥] (0.38) [§]	NR, <0.001
Donepezil	Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	20.6 [‡] (0.7)§	163	NR	-2.62 (0.48) [§]	18.8 [‡] (0.7)§	160	NR	-0.16 (0.44) [§]	NR, <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	20.6 [‡] (0.7)§	194	NR	-2.19 (0.44) [§]	18.8 [‡] (0.7)§	180	NR	-0.10 (0.39) [§]	NR, <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	3	20.8 [‡] (0.7)§	183	NR	-2.62 (0.35) [§]	18.8 [‡] (0.7)§	167	NR	-0.91 (0.36) [§]	NR, <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	4	20.8 [‡] (0.7) [§]	173	NR	-2.18 (0.35) [§]	18.8 [‡] (0.7) [§]	160	NR	-0.16 (0.38) [§]	NR, <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	20.8 [‡] (0.7) [§]	199	NR	-1.75 (0.33) [§]	18.8 [‡] (0.7) [§]	180	NR	-0.10 (0.39) [§]	NR, <0.01
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	21.5 [‡] (0.3)§	179	NR	1.66 (0.17) [§]	22.2 [‡] (0.3)§	174	NR	0.29 (0.24) [§]	NR, <0.001
Donepezil	Wilkinson, 2003 ²⁰⁰	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	4	21.5 [‡] (0.3)§	169	NR	1.47 (0.23) [§]	22.2 [‡] (0.3)§	166	NR	0.62 (0.23) [§]	NR, <0.05
Donepezil	Fair-Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	21.5 [‡] (0.3)§	203	NR	1.38 (0.23) [§]	22.2 [‡] (0.3)§	188	NR	0.23 (0.24) [§]	NR, <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	3	21.8 [‡] (0.3)§	185	NR	1.39 (0.23) [§]	22.2 [‡] (0.3)§	174	NR	0.29 (0.22) [§]	NR, <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	4	21.8 [‡] (0.3) [§]	175	NR	1.57 (0.21) [§]	22.2 [‡] (0.3)§	166	NR	0.62 (0.23) [§]	NR, <0.01
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	6	21.8 [‡] (0.3) [§]	202	NR	1.38 (0.22) [§]	22.2 [‡] (0.3)§	188	NR	0.23 (0.24) [§]	NR, <0.001
Donepezil	Winblad, 2001 ²⁰¹ Fair-Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	19.37 (4.37)	127	NR	0.69 (0.27) [§]	12.26 (4.54)	128	NR	-0.12 (0.29) [§]	NR, 0.053

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Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	19.37 (4.37)	121	NR	0.43 [∥] (0.34) [§]	12.26 (4.54)	120	NR	-1.05 [∥] (0.30)§	NR, <0.001
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	8	19.37 (4.37)	104	NR	0.02 (0.40) [§]	12.26 (4.54)		NR	-1.12 [∥] (0.39) [§]	NR, 0.019
Donepezil		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	19.37 (4.37)	135	NR	-0.49 [∥] (0.34) [§]	12.26 (4.54)	137	NR	-2.19 [∥] (0.25)§	NR, <0.001
Galantamine	Auchus, 2007 ²⁰² Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	lG1	6	22.9 (9.5)	388	NR	-1.7 (6.0)	22.5 (9.5)	379	NR	-0.3 (6.4)	NR, 0.001
Galantamine	Brodaty, 2005 ²⁰³ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	lG1	3	27.3 (0.55)§	296	NR	-2.5 (0.30)§	26.1 (0.54)§	296	NR	0.2 (0.31)§	NR
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	27.3 (0.55)§	296	NR	-1.6 (0.36)§	26.1 (0.54)§	296	NR	1.2 (0.33)§	MDC (95% CI)= NR, (-3.70, -1.86), <0.01
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	lG2	3	26.3 (0.54)§	290	NR	-2.0 (0.31)§	26.1 (0.54)§	296	NR	0.2 (0.31)§	NR
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	lG2	6	26.3 (0.54)§	291	NR	-1.3 (0.31)§	26.1 (0.54)§	296	NR	1.2 (0.33)§	MDC (95% CI)= NR, (-3.34, -1.49), <0.001
Galantamine	Erkinjuntti, 2002 ²⁰⁴	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	lG1	6	22.3 (8.8)	290	NR	-1.7 (0.4) [§]	(9.9)	162	NR	1.0 (0.5)§	MDC=-2.7, <0.0001
Galantamine	Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1 (AD)	6	NR	152	NR	-1.0 (0.46) [§]	NR	87	NR	1.8 (0.60)§	MDC (95% CI)=-2.7 (-4.16, -1.17), 0.0005
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1 (VaD)	6	NR	121	NR	-2.4 (0.59)§	NR	67	NR	-0.4 (0.78)§	MDC (95% CI)=-1.9 (-3.88, 0.08), 0.06
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	6	NA	290	102 (35.2) ^{††}		NA		36 (22.2) ^{††}	NR	NR, 0.005
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG1	6	NR	290	NR	-2.4 (0.4) [§]		162	NR	0.9 (0.6)§	MDC=-3.2, <0.0001
Galantamine	Hager, 2014* ²⁰⁶ Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	19.0 (4.12)	873	NR	0.15 (2.73)	19.0 (4.04)		NR	-0.28 (2.94)	
Galantamine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	19.0 (4.12)	874	NR	-0.51 (0.11) [§]	19.0 (4.04)	891	NR	-1.09 (0.12)§	NR, <0.05
Galantamine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	18	19.0 (4.12)	874	NR	-1.07 (0.13)§	19.0 (4.04)		NR	-1.74 (0.13)§	NR, <0.05
Galantamine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	lG1	24	19.0 (4.12)	874	NR	-1.41 (0.12)§	19.0 (4.04)	891	NR	-2.14 (0.13)§	NR, <0.001
Galantamine	Raskind, 2000 ²⁰⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	24.8 (0.7)§	202	NR	1.9 (0.36) [§]	25.7 (0.8)§	207	NR		NR, <0.001
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	25.8 (0.8)§	197	NR	-1.4 (0.44)§	25.7 (0.8)§	207	NR	2.0 (0.45)§	NR, <0.001

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Galantamine	Rockwood, 2001 ²⁰⁸	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	25.6 (0.65)§	239	NR	-1.1 (0.33)§	24.7 (0.85)§			, ,	NR, <0.01
Galantamine	Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	NA	239	72 (30.1)	NR	NA	120	27 (22.5)	NR	NS
Galantamine	Rockwood, 2006 ²⁰⁷ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	24.2 (6.4)	62	NR	-1.64 (- 2.94, <i>-</i> 0.27)¶	27.9 (8.4)	65	NR	0.29 (-1.02, 1.65) [¶]	NR, 0.04
Galantamine	Tariot, 2000 ²⁰⁹ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	5	29.0 (0.7)§	253	NR	-1.4 (0.39)§	29.4 (0.6)§	255	NR	1.7 (0.39)§	NR, <0.001
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	5	ΝA	211	78 (37.0)††	NR	NA	225	44 (19.6) ^{††}	NR	NR, <0.001
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	5	NA	211	56 (26.5) ^{‡‡}	NR	NA	225	19 (8.4) ^{‡‡}	NR	NR, <0.01
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	5	29.4 (0.7)§	253	NR	-1.4 (0.35)§	29.4 (0.6)§	255		1.7 (0.39)§	NR, <0.001
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG2	5	NA	253	40 (15.8) ^{††}		NA	255	19 (7.4) ^{††}	NR	NR, <0.01
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG2	5	NA	208	74 (35.6) ^{‡‡}	NR	NA	225	44 (19.6) ^{‡‡}		NR, <0.001
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG3	5	27.8 (0.9)§	126	NR	0.4 (0.52) [§]	29.4 (0.6)§	255	NR	1.7 (0.39)§	NS
Galantamine	Wilcock, 2000 ²¹⁰ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	25.4 (9.4)	220	NR	-0.5 (0.38)§	24.7 (9.3)			2.4 (0.41)§	MDC (95% CI)=-2.9 (-4.1, -1.6), <0.001
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	6	NA	220	138 (62.7)**		NA	215	88 (40.9)**	NR	PD (95% CI)=21.5 (12.0, 31.0), <0.001
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	6	NA	220	64 (29.1) ^{††}	NR	NA	215	32 (14.9) ^{††}		PD (95% CI)=14.0 (6.0, 22.0), <0.001
Galantamine	Wilcock, 2000 ²¹⁰ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	26.2 (10.4)	217	NR	-0.8 (0.43)§	24.7 (9.3)	215		2.4 (0.41)§	MDC (95% CI)=-3.1 (-4.4, -1.9), <0.001
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG2	6	NA	217	130 (59.9)**	NR	NA		88 (40.9)**	NR	PD (95% CI)=19.5 (10.0, 29.0), <0.001
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG2	6	NA	217	70 (32.2)††	NR	NA	215	32 (14.9) ^{††}	NR	PD (95% CI)=17.0 (9.0, 25.0), <0.001
Galantamine	Wilkinson, 2001 ²¹¹	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	26.7 (1.1)§	55	NR	-1.4 (0.9) [§]	26.9 (1.0)§	82	NR	1.6 (0.7)§	MDC=NR, <0.01
Galantamine	Fair-Good	Dem	ADAŚ-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	3	25.7 (1.1)§	51	NR	-0.7 (0.7)		82	NR	1.6 (0.7)§	MDC=NR, 0.08
Galantamine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG3	3	26.0 (0.9)§	81	NR	-0.1 (0.7)		82	NR	1.6 (0.7)§	MDC=NR, NS
Rivastigmine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	NR	103	NR	0.3 (3.1)	NR	117	NR	-0.0 (2.6)	NR

Medication	Quality	Pop cat	Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	Time, mo.	mean (SD)	IG n at FU	mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)		mean (SD)	CG mean change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p-value
Rivastigmine	Agid, 1998 ²¹² Fair-Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	3	NR	111	NR	0.0 (3.3)	NR	117	NR	-0.0 (2.6)	NR
Rivastigmine	Ballard, 2008 ²¹³ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	23.0 (9.9)	360	NR	-0.7 (0.38)§	23.7 (9.8)	338	NR	0.4 (0.38)§	MDC=-1.0, 0.029
Rivastigmine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	19.2 (4.1)	360	NR	0.4 (0.38)§	19.2 (3.9)	338	NR	-0.2 (0.18)§	MDC=0.6, 0.007
Rivastigmine	Corey-Bloom, 1998 ²¹⁴	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	22.3 (NR)	169	NR	-1.0 (NR)	21.7 (NR)	216	NR	2.3 (NR)	NR, <0.001
Rivastigmine	Fair-Good	Dem	ADAŚ-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	22.3 (NR)	157	NR	-0.6 (NR)	21.7 (NR)	201	NR	3.5 (NR)	NR, <0.001
Rivastigmine	1	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	22.3 (NR)	231	NR	-0.31 (- 1.08, 0.49)¶	21.7 (NR)	234	NR	4.09 (3.32, 4.86) [¶]	MDC=-4.40, <0.001
Rivastigmine	-	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	6	NA	145	81 (55.9)**	NR	NA	192	52 (27.1)**	NR	NS
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	3	22.4 (NR)	223	NR	1.4 (NR)	21.7 (NR)	216	NR	2.3 (NR)	NR
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	4	22.4 (NR)	208	NR	1.8 (NR)	21.7 (NR)	201	NR	3.5 (NR)	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine	1	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	22.4 (NR)	233	NR	2.36 (1.59, 3.13)¶	21.7 (NR)	234	NR	4.09 (3.32, 4.86) [¶]	NR
Rivastigmine	_	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	19.62 (NR)	145	NR	0.30 (NR)	20.00 (NR)	192	NR	-0.79 (NR)	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	6	19.5 (NR)	194	NR	-0.34 (NR)	20.0 (NR)	192	NR	-0.79 (NR)	NR
Rivastigmine	Feldman, 2007 ²¹⁵ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	28.1 (12.5)	227	NR	-0.2 (7.3)		220	NR	2.8 (7.2)	MDC=-2.9, <0.001
Rivastigmine	_	Dem	ADAŚ-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	3	ΝA	227	68 (30.0)††	NR	ΝΑ	220	36 (16.4) ^{††}	NR	NR, ≤0.001
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	4	NA	227	75 (33.0) ^{††}	NR	NA	220	28 (12.7) ^{††}	NR	NR, ≤0.001
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	6	NA	227	52 (22.9)††	NR	NA	220	28 (12.7) ^{††}	NR	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	27.7 (12.3)	228	NR	1.2 (7.2)	28.5 (12.3)	220		2.8 (7.2)	MDC=-1.6, 0.019
Rivastigmine	-	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG2	3	NA	228	53 (23.2) ^{††}	NR	NA	220	36 (16.4) ^{††}	NR	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG2	4	NA	228	57 (25.0)††	NR	NA	220	28 (12.7) ^{††}	NR	NR, ≤0.001

Medication		Pop cat	Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	Time, mo.	mean (SD)		mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	CG mean change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p-value
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)		6	NA	228	41 (18.0) ^{††}		NA		28 (12.7) ^{††}		NS
Rivastigmine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	18.1 (4.7)	277	NR	0.3 (3.6)	18.6 (4.7)	220	NR	-1.4 (3.6)	NR
Rivastigmine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	6	18.8 (4.7)	228	NR	-0.6 (3.6)	18.6 (4.7)	220	NR	-1.4 (3.6)	NR
Rivastigmine	McKeith, 2000 ²¹⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	5	17.9 (4.7)	41	NR	1.5 (NR)	17.8 (4.4)	51	NR	-0.1 (NR)	NR, 0.072
Rivastigmine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	13.0 (4.2)	20	13.6 (5.8)	NR	13.6 (6.0)	19	13.5 (6.8)	NR	NR, 0.563
Rivastigmine	Rosler, 1999 ²¹⁸ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	NR	191	NR	-1.85 (NR)	NR	226	NR	-0.08 (NR)	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	NR	179	NR	-0.90 (NR)	NR	218	NR	1.21 (NR)	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	NR	199	NR	-0.83 (- 1.79, 0.19)¶	NR	225	NR	1.45 (0.47, 2.33) [¶]	NR, <0.001
Rivastigmine	1	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	6	NA	199	53 (26.6)††	NR	NA	225	40 (17.8) ^{††}	NR	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine	_	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	3	NR	226	NR	0.13 (NR)	NR	226	NR	-0.08 (NR)	NS
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	4	NR	219	NR	0.60 (NR)	NR	218	NR	1.21 (NR)	NS
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAŚ-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	NR	226	NR	1.24 (0.37, 2.23)¶	NR	225	NR	1.45 (0.47, 2.33) [¶]	NS
Rivastigmine	Rosler, 1999 ²¹⁸ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG2	6	NA	226	36 (15.9) ^{††}	NR	NA	225	40 (17.8) ^{††}	NR	NS
Rivastigmine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	NR	199	NR	0.34 (- 0.25, 0.85)	NR	225	NR	-0.54 (- 0.99, - 0.01)¶	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	6	NR	225	NR		NR	223	NR	-0.54 (- 0.99, - 0.01)¶	NR, NR
Rivastigmine	Winblad, 2007 ²¹⁹ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	27.9 (9.4)	253	NR	-0.6 (6.2)	28.6 (9.9)	281	NR	1.0 (6.8)	NR, 0.003
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	27.4 (9.7)	262	NR	-1.6 (6.5)		281	NR	1.0 (6.8)	NR, <0.001
Rivastigmine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG3	6	27.0 (10.3)	248	NR	-0.6 (6.4)	28.6 (9.9)	281	NR	1.0 (6.8)	NR, 0.005

Medication	Author, year	Pop	Instrument	Int arm	Time,	IG BL	IG n at	IG FU	IG mean	CG BL	CG n	CG FU	CG mean	Between group
	Quality	cat	(range) [†]		mo.	mean (SD)		mean (SD)	(SD) from BL	mean (SD)	at FU	(SD)	change (SD) from BL	difference, p-value
Rivastigmine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	16.4 (3.0)	256	NR	0.8 (3.2)	16.4 (3.0)	281	NR	0.0 (3.5)	NR, 0.002
Rivastigmine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	6	16.6 (2.9)	262	NR	0.9 (3.4)	16.4 (3.0)	281	NR	0.0 (3.5)	NR, <0.001
Rivastigmine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG3	6	16.7 (3.0)	250	NR	1.1 (3.3)	16.4 (3.0)	281	NR	0.0 (3.5)	NR, 0.002
Memantine	Bakchine, 2008 ²²⁰	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	25.9 (10.4)	268	NR	-2.46 (NR)	24.9 (9.7)	135	NR	-0.70 (NR)	MDC (95% CI)=-1.76 (-2.69, -0.83), 0.000
Memantine	Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	25.9 (10.4)	266	NR	-2.26 (NR)	24.9 (9.7)	135	NR	-0.98 (NR)	MDC (95% CI)=-1.29 (-2.33, -0.25), 0.016
Memantine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	25.9 (10.4)	268	NR	-1.93 (NR)	24.9 (9.7)	135	NR	-1.08 (NR)	MDC (95% CI)=-0.85 (-2.02, 0.32), 0.156
Memantine	Choi, 2011* ²²¹ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	29.1 (8.6)	84	NR	-0.7 (6.6)	27.7 (9.8)	74	NR	-0.04 (7.1)	NR, 0.83
Memantine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	4	16.9 (4.3)	84	NR	-0.3 (2.9)	16.7 (4.7)	74	NR	0.1 (2.8)	NR, 0.49
Memantine	Dysken, 2014* ²²² Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	19.5 (7.9)	131	NR	1.06 (- 0.10, 2.32) [¶]	19.1 (8.1)	128	NR	3.04 (1.81, 4.28) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	19.5 (7.9)	116	NR	3.27 (1.91, 4.72) [¶]	19.1 (8.1)	106	NR	4.24 (2.81, 5.70) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	18	19.5 (7.9)	84	NR	5.63 (3.90, 7.48) [¶]	19.1 (8.1)	88	NR	6.04 (4.25, 7.86) [¶]	NR
Memantine	Dysken, 2014* ²²² Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	24	19.5 (7.9)	76	NR	6.69 (4.53, 8.91) [¶]	19.1 (8.1)	69	NR	6.70 (4.43, 8.97) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	30	19.5 (7.9)	51	NR	7.61 (5.00, 10.28) [¶]	19.1 (8.1)	48	NR	8.91 (6.20, 11.62) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	36	19.5 (7.9)	36	NR	8.29 (5.20, 11.45)	19.1 (8.1)	35	NR	10.76 (7.58, 13.96) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	42	19.5 (7.9)	27	NR	8.21 (5.02, 11.46) [¶]	19.1 (8.1)	25	NR	10.60 (7.30, 13.92) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	48	19.5 (7.9)	142	NR	6.38 (0.70) [§]	19.1 (8.1)	140	NR	7.78 (0.70) [§]	MDC (95% CI)=-1.39 (-2.85, 0.07), 0.25

Medication		Pop cat	Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	mo.	mean (SD)		mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	CG mean change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p-value
Memantine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	20.8 (3.8)	131	NR	-0.25 (- 0.79, 0.31) [¶]	20.8 (3.8)	128	NR	-0.33 (- 0.90, 0.22) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	20.8 (3.8)	115	NR	-1.10 (- 1.76, - 0.42) [¶]	20.8 (3.8)	106	NR	-1.39 (- 2.08, - 0.69) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	18	20.8 (3.8)	85	NR	-2.64 (- 3.50, - 1.73) [¶]	20.8 (3.8)	88	NR	-2.21 (- 3.09, - 1.31) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	24	20.8 (3.8)	75	NR	-3.46 (- 4.50, - 2.38) [¶]	20.8 (3.8)	70	NR	-2.90 (- 3.99, - 1.80) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	30	20.8 (3.8)	52	NR	-3.80 (- 5.01, - 2.56) [¶]	20.8 (3.8)	47	NR	-3.27 (- 4.53, - 2.00) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	36	20.8 (3.8)	36	NR	-4.27 (- 5.79, - 2.72) [¶]	20.8 (3.8)	36	NR	-3.88 (- 5.42, - 2.31) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	42	20.8 (3.8)	27	NR	-4.62 (- 6.17, - 3.01) [¶]	20.8 (3.8)	26	NR	-4.68 (- 6.29, - 3.05) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	48	20.8 (3.8)	140	NR	-3.05 (0.33) [§]	20.8 (3.8)	137	NR	-3.16 (0.33) [§]	MDC (95% CI)=0.12 (-0.61, 0.84), 0.84
Memantine	Herrmann, 2013* ²²⁴ Fair	Dem	SIB (0-133)	IG1	6	82.25 (1.16)§	159	NR	-2.34 (0.76)§	81.98 (1.00)§	165	NR	-1.86 (0.75) [§]	MDC (95% CI)=-0.48 (-2.30, 1.34), 0.60
Memantine	Orgogozo, 2002 ²²⁵	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	20.6 (9.55)	147	NR	0.48 (0.49)	21.5 (8.71)	141	NR	-0.34 (0.30)	NR
Memantine	Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	20.6 (9.55)	147	NR	-0.4 (NR)	21.5 (8.71)	141	NR	1.6 (NR)	MDC (95% CI)=-2.0 (-3.60, -0.49), 0.0016
Memantine		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	ŇR	105	NR	1.75 (3.38)	NR	108	NR	0.52 (4.07)	NR, 0.0121
Memantine	Peskind, 2006 ²²⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	27.2 (11.01)	177	NR	-1.20 (0.48) [§]	27.3 (9.74)	177	NR	-0.10 (0.48) [§]	NR, <0.05
Memantine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	27.2 (11.01)	163	NR	-1.10 (0.56) [§]	27.3 (9.74)	172	NR	0.40 (0.56) [§]	NR, <0.05
Memantine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	27.2 (11.01)	196	NR	-0.93 (5.46)	27.3 (9.74)	198	NR		LSM Change (95% CI)=-1.37 (-2.3, - 0.48), 0.003

Medication	Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	mo. ĺ			mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)	CG n at FU	mean (SD)		Between group difference, p-value
Memantine	Peters, 2015*227 Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1		20.2 (7.0)§	91	NR	-1.12 (0.57)	18.9 (6.6)§	93	NR	-0.29 (0.57)	NS
Memantine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	20.2 (7.0)§	90	NR	-0.29 (0.72)	18.9 (6.6)§	85	NR	0.11 (0.71)	NS
Memantine		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	20.2 (7.0)§	94	NR	2.00 (0.86)	18.9 (6.6)§	96	NR	1.74 (0.85)	NR, 0.831
Memantine	Porsteinsson, 2008 ²²⁸	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	27.9 (10.98)		28.5 (12.83)	NR	26.8 (9.88)	213	28.0 (11.94)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=-0.7 (-1.8, 0.1), 0.184
Memantine	Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	16.7 (3.68)	210	16.5 (5.38)	NR	17.0 (3.63)	198	16.4 (5.08)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=0.5 (- 0.1, 1.1), 0.123
Memantine	Wilcock, 2002 ²³⁰ Fair-Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	NR	266	NR	-0.53 (7.02)	NR	261	NR	-2.28 (7.77)	MDC (95% CI)=-1.75 (-3.023, -0.49), 0.0005
Memantine	Wilkinson, 2012 ²³¹ Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	16.7 (2.4)	103		-0.43 (0.49)§	17.1 (2.4)	114		_	MDC (SE) : 0.24 (0.46), NS

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: AD = Alzheimer's disease; ADAS-Cog 11 = Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; 11-item; ADAS-Cog 13 = Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; 13-item; Adj MD = adjusted mean difference; BL = baseline; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; D = results are dichotomized; Dem = dementia; FU = followup; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; LSM = least squares mean; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MDC = mean difference in change; MDRS = Mattis Dementia Rating Scale; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; mo. = months; PD = proportion difference; Pop cat = population category; NR = not reported; NS = Not statistically significant; SD = standard deviation; VaD = vascular dementia

[†] Higher scores indicate better outcomes for all instruments except for ADAS-Cog 11 and ADAS-Cog 13 where lower scores indicate better outcomes

[‡] Least squares mean

[§] Standard error

^{||} Least squares mean change

^{¶ 95%} confidence interval

[#] Range

^{**} N (%) of participants improving by ≥0 points

^{††} N (%) of participants improving by ≥ 4 points

 $[\]ddagger \ddagger N$ (%) of participants improving by ≥ 7 points

Medication	Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Outcome	Instrument*	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG n at FU	IG FU n (%)		(%)	Between group difference, p- value
Donepezil	Black, 2003 ¹⁸⁴ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	195	140 (71.8)	194	(69.1)	NR
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	6	196	152 (77.6)	194	134 (69.1)	NR
Donepezil	Burns, 1999 ¹⁸⁵ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	273	172 (63.0)	274	134 (48.9)	NR
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	6	211	154 (73.0)	274	134 (48.9)	NR
Donepezil	Feldman, 2001 ¹⁸⁷ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	140	88 (62.8)	146	61 (41.8)	NR, <0.0001
Donepezil	Mohs, 2001 ¹⁹² Fair	Dem	Number (%) of participants without clinically evident functional decline (CDR/ADL/IADL)	CDR/ADL/IADL (0-365)	IG1	12	207	123 (59.4)	208	92 (44.2)	NR
Donepezil	Mori, 2012 ¹⁹³ Fair	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	3	28	27 (96.4)	30	15 (50.0)	NR
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	3	31	26 (83.9)	30	15 (50.0)	NR
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG3	3	32	30 (93.8)	30	15 (50.0)	
Donepezil	Rogers, 1996 ¹⁹⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	3	38	34 (89.5)	40	32 (80.0)	NR

Medication	Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Outcome	Instrument*	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG n at FU	IG FU n (%)			Between group difference, p- value
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	3	40	33 (82.5)		32 (80.0)	
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG3	3	41	34 (82.9)	40	32 (80.0)	NR
Donepezil	Rogers, 1998 ¹⁹⁵ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	3	152	58 (38.2)	150	27 (18.0)	NR
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	3	153	49 (32.0)		27 (18.0)	
Donepezil	Salloway, 2004 ¹⁹⁷ Fair-Good	MCI	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CGIC-MCI (1-7)	IG1	6	89	75 (84.3)	110	93 (84.5)	NS
Donepezil	Wilkinson, 2003 ²⁰⁰ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	202	65 (32.2)	188	47 (25.0)	NR, 0.047
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	6	202	79 (39.1)	188	47 (25.0)	NR, 0.004
Donepezil	Winblad, 2001 ²⁰¹ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants improved from baseline (GBS)	GBS (0-162)	IG1	3	129	52 (40.3)	129	40 (31.0)	NR
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants improved from baseline (GBS)	GBS (0-162)	IG1	6	122	47 (38.5)	121	39 (32.2)	NR
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants improved from baseline (GBS)	GBS (0-162)	IG1	12	93	29 (31.2)	97	21 (21.6)	NR
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants improved from baseline (GDS)	GDS (1-7)	IG1	3	128	13 (10.2)	130	8 (6.2)	NR
Donepezil	Winblad, 2001 ²⁰¹ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants improved from baseline (GDS)	GDS (1-7)	IG1	6	122	14 (11.5)	121	8 (6.6)	NR
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants improved from baseline (GDS)	GDS (1-7)	IG1	8	105	15 (14.3)	105	7 (6.7)	NR

Medication	Author, year	Pop	Outcome	Instrument*	Int arm	Time,	IG n at	IG FU n	CG n	at CG FU n	Between group
	Quality	cat				mo.	FU	(%)	FU	(%)	difference, p- value
Donepezil		Dem	Number (%) of participants improved from baseline (GDS)	GDS (1-7)	IG1	12	93	13 (14.0)	98	5 (5.1)	NR, 0.047
Galantamine	Auchus, 2007 ²⁰² Fair	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	363	274 (75.5)	371	273 (73.6)	NR
Galantamine	Brodaty, 2005 ²⁰³ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	240	191 (79.6)	259	173 (66.8)	NR
Galantamine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	6	246	180 (73.2)	259	173 (66.8)	NR
Galantamine	Erkinjuntti, 2002 ²⁰⁴ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	288	213 (74.0)	161	95 (59.0)	PD=0.15, 0.001
Galantamine	Raskind, 2000 ²⁰⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	186	136 (73.1)	196	111 (56.6)	NR
Galantamine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	6	171	118 (69.0)	196	111 (56.6)	NR
Galantamine	Rockwood, 2001 ²⁰⁸ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	3	240	194 (80.8)	123	77 (62.6)	NR
	Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	5	253	162 (64.0)	261	128 (49.0)	NR, <0.001
Galantamine	Tariot, 2000 ²⁰⁹ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	5	256	169 (66.0)	261	128 (49.0)	NR, <0.001

Medication	Author, year	Pop	Outcome	Instrument*	Int arm	Time,	IG n at	IG FU n	CG n a	tCG FU n	Between group
	Quality	cat				mo.	FU	(%)	FU	(%)	difference, p- value
Galantamine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG3	5	128	68 (53.1)	261	128 (49.0)	NR
Galantamine	Wilcock, 2000 ²¹⁰ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	206	127 (61.7)	203	101 (49.8)	NR, <0.05
Galantamine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	6	198	130 (65.7)	203	101 (49.8)	NR, <0.001
Galantamine	Wilkinson, 2001 ²¹¹ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-5)	IG1	3	53	44 (83.0)	83	57 (68.7)	NR
Galantamine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-5)	IG2	3	47	41 (87.2)	83	57 (68.7)	NR
Galantamine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-5)	IG3	3	79	67 (84.8)	83	57 (68.7)	NR
Rivastigmine	Agid, 1998 ²¹² Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating moderate or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤2)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	3	103	44 (42.7)	117	35 (29.9)	NR, 0.05
Rivastigmine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating moderate or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤2)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	3	111	35 (31.5)	117	35 (29.9)	NS
Rivastigmine	Corey-Bloom, 1998 ²¹⁴ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	145	35 (24.1)	192	31 (16.1)	
Rivastigmine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	6	194	49 (25.3)	192	31 (16.1)	NR

Medication	Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Outcome	Instrument*	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG n at FU	IG FU n (%)		(%)	Between group difference, p- value
Rivastigmine	Feldman, 2007 ²¹⁵ Fair	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	3	220	66 (30.0)		, ,	NR, 0.001
Rivastigmine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	4	220	67 (30.5)			NR, 0.001
Rivastigmine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	220	67 (30.5)	213	40 (18.8)	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	3	215	62 (28.8)	213	34 (16.0)	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	4	215	47 (21.9)	213	40 (18.8)	NS
Rivastigmine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	6	215	49 (22.8)	213	40 (18.8)	NS
Rivastigmine	Rosler, 1999 ²¹⁸ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	193	78 (40.4)			NR, <0.001
Rivastigmine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	6	224	71 (31.7)	220	44 (20.0)	NR, <0.01
Rivastigmine	Winblad, 2007 ²¹⁹ Fair	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	253	188 (74.3)	278	169 (60.8)	NR
Rivastigmine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG2	6	260	179 (68.8)	278	169 (60.8)	NR

	Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Outcome	Instrument*	Int arm	Time, mo.				(%)	Between group difference, p- value
Rivastigmine	Winblad, 2007 ²¹⁹ Fair	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG3	6	248	182 (73.4)	-	169 (60.8)	NR
Memantine	Orgogozo, 2002 ²²⁵ Fair-Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CGIC (1-7)	IG1	6		74 (79.6)	94	66 (70.2)	NR, 0.227
Memantine		Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6		88 (59.9)	141	74 (52.5)	NR
Memantine	Saxton, 2012 ²²⁹ Good	Dem	Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤4)	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	3	133	97 (72.9)	124	78 (62.9)	NR

^{*} Lower scores indicate better outcomes for all instruments

Abbreviations: CDR-SB = Clinical Dementia Rating Scale Sum of Boxes; CG = control group; CGI = Clinical Global Impression scale; CIBIC+ = Clinician's Interview-Based Impression of Change with caregiver's input; Dem = dementia; FU = followup; GBS = Gottfries-Brane-Steen scale; GDS = Global Deterioration Scale; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; mo. = months; PD = proportion difference; Pop cat = population category; n = number of participants analyzed; NR = not reported

Medication	Author, year Quality	Instrument (range)*	Pop cat	Int arm		IG BL mean (SD)	IG n at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)		CG FU mean (SD)	change	Between group difference, p- value
Donepezil	Black, 2003 ¹⁸⁴	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA		3.9 (NR)		NA	194	4.0 (NR)	NR	NR
Donepezil	Fair-Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	6	NA	196	3.8 (NR)		NA	194	4.0 (NR)	NR	NR
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	6	6.1 [†] (0.2) [‡]	195	NR	-0.25 [§] (0.11) [‡]	$(0.2)^{\ddagger}$	194	NR	0.11 [§] (0.12)	NR, <0.05
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG2	6	6.4 [†] (0.2) [‡]	196	NR	-0.01§ (0.12)‡	6.1† (0.2)	194	NR	0.11 [§] (0.12) [‡]	NS
Donepezil	Burns, 1999 ¹⁸⁵ Fair-Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	3	ΝΑ	202	3.90 (0.06) [‡]	NR	NA	219	4.23 (0.06) [‡]	NR	NR, 0.0001
Donepezil		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	4	NA	202	4.00 (0.07) [‡]	NR	NA	219	4.45 (0.07) [‡]	NR	NR, <0.0001
Donepezil		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA	273	4.12 (0.07) [‡]	NR	NA	274	4.51 (0.06) [‡]	NR	NR, 0.0002
Donepezil		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	3	NA	211	4.02 (0.07) [‡]	NR	NA	219	4.23 (0.06) [‡]	NR	NR, 0.0010
Donepezil		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	4	NA	211	4.08 (0.06) [‡]	NR	NA	219	4.45 (0.07) [‡]	NR	NR, 0.0326
Donepezil		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	6	NA	271	4.22 (0.08) [‡]	NR	NA	274	4.51 (0.06) [‡]	NR	NR, 0.0072
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	3	NR	202	NR	-0.18 [§] (0.08) [‡]	NR	219	NR	0.15 [§] (0.08) [‡]	NR, 0.0014
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	4	NR	202	NR	-0.17 [§] (0.11) [‡]	NR	219	NR	0.33 [§] (0.11) [‡]	NR, 0.0006
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	6	NR	273	NR	-0.06 [§] (0.10) [‡]	NR	274	NR	0.36 [§] (0.10) [‡]	-0.4, 0.0033
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG2	3	NR	211	NR	-0.17 [§] (0.08) [‡]	NR	219	NR	0.15 [§] (0.08) [‡]	NR, 0.0021
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG2	4	NR	211	NR	-0.02 [§] (0.10) [‡]	NR	219	NR	0.32 [§] (0.11) [‡]	NR, 0.0154
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG2	6	NR	271	NR	0.06 [§] (0.10) [‡]	NR	274	NR	0.36 [§] (0.10) [‡]	0.3, 0.0344
Donepezil	Doody, 2009 ¹⁸⁶ Fair	CIBIC+ (1-7)	MCI	IG1	11	NA	379	3.9 (0.1) [‡]	NR	NA	378	3.9 (0.1) [‡]	NR	NS
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	MCI	IG1	11	1.5 (0.9)	379	NR	0.0 (0.1)‡	1.5 (0.9)	378	NR	0.1 (0.1)	NS
Donepezil	Feldman, 2001 ¹⁸⁷	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	3	NA	127	3.58 [†] (0.08) [‡]	NR	NA	132	4.06 [†] (0.08) [‡]	NR	NR, <0.0001
Donepezil	Fair-Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	4	NA	122	3.72 [†] (0.09) [‡]	NR	NA	126	4.26 [†] (0.10) [‡]	NR	NR, <0.0001

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Donepezil		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA		4.04 [†] (0.09) [‡]		NA	146	$(0.09)^{\ddagger}$	NR	MD=-0.54, <0.0001
Donepezil	Mazza, 2006 ¹⁹¹ Fair-Good	CGI Item 2 (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	4.5 (0.76)	25	NR		5.05 (0.99)	26		0.15 (- 0.02, 0.3)	MDC (95 CI)%=-1.6 (- 2.2, -0.9), <0.001
Donepezil	Mohs, 2001 ¹⁹² Fair	CDR/ADL/IADL (0-365)	Dem	IG1	12		207	357 [¶] (NR)			208	208 [¶] (NR)		NR
Donepezil	Mori, 2012 ¹⁹³	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	3			3.1 (NR)			30		NR	NR
Donepezil	Fair	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	3	NA	31	3.0 (NR)	NR	NA	30	4.3 (NR)	NR	NR
Donepezil		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG3	3	NA	32	3.2 (NR)	NR	NA	30	4.3 (NR)	NR	NR
Donepezil	Petersen,	CDR-SB (0-18)	MCI	IG1	12	1.80 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.25 (0.92)	1.87 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.40 (1.28)	NR
Donepezil	2005 ¹⁹⁴	CDR-SB (0-18)	MCI	IG1	18	1.80 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.51 (1.18)	1.87 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.72 (1.55)	NR
Donepezil	Fair	CDR-SB (0-18)	MCI	IG1	24	1.80 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.87 (1.55)	1.87 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.97 (1.76)	NR
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	MCI	IG1	30	1.80 (0.8)	NR	NR		1.87 (0.8)		NR	1.26 (2.15)	NR
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	MCI	IG1	36	1.80 (0.8)	161	NR	1.60 (2.09)	1.87 (0.8)	193	NR	1.64 (2.55)	NR
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	MCI	IG1	6	1.80 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.05 (0.66)	1.87 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.14 (0.86)	NR
Donepezil		GDS (1-7)	MCI	IG1	12	2.66 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.11 (0.57)	2.72 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.15 (0.65)	NR
Donepezil		GDS (1-7)	MCI	IG1	18	2.66 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.19 (0.66)	2.72 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.27 (0.73)	NR, <0.05
Donepezil		GDS (1-7)	MCI	IG1	24	2.66 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.32 (0.73)	2.72 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.38 (0.81)	NR
Donepezil		GDS (1-7)	MCI	IG1	30	2.66 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.45 (0.78)	2.72 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.48 (0.87)	NR
Donepezil		GDS (1-7)	MCI	IG1		2.66 (0.6)		NR	0.59 (0.89)	2.72 (0.6)	193	NR	0.56 (0.99)	NR
Donepezil		GDS (1-7)	MCI	IG1	6	2.66 (0.6)	NR	NR		2.72 (0.6)		NR	0.07 (0.53)	
Donepezil	Rogers, 1996 ¹⁹⁶ Fair-Good	CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	3	7.3 (NR)	38	NR	0.11 (-2.0, 3.0)#	6.7 (NR)	40		0.10 (-2.0, 3.0) [#]	NS
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG2	3	6.9 (NR)	40	NR	0.23 (-3.0, 6.0)#	6.7 (NR)	40		0.10 (-2.0, 3.0)#	NS
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG3	3	6.6 (NR)	41	NR	0.18 (-2.0, 5.0)#	6.7 (NR)	40		0.10 (-2.0, 3.0)#	NS
Donepezil	Rogers, 1998 ¹⁹⁵ Fair-Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	3	NA	152	Mean (SE): 3.8 (0.08) [‡]		NA	150	Mean (SE): 4.2 (0.07)	NR	MD (95% CI)=-0.4 (- 0.55, -0.13), 0.008
Donepezil	Rogers, 1998 ¹⁹⁵ Fair-Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	3	NA	153	3.9 (0.08) [‡]	NR	NA	150	4.2 (0.07) [‡]	NR	MD (95% CI)=-0.3 (- 0.50, -0.08), 0.003

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Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	3	7.18 (0.20) [‡]		NR		(0.18)‡	150	NR	-0.14 [§] (0.11) [‡]	MDC (95% CI)=NR (- 0.46, 0.12), NS
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG2		6.85 (0.18) [‡]		NR		(0.18)‡	150	NR	0.14 [§] (0.11) [‡]	MDC (95% CI)=NR (- 0.25, 0.33), 0.32
Donepezil	Wilkinson,	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1				3.9 (NR)		NA	188	4.1 (NR)	NR	NR, 0.047
Donepezil	2003 ²⁰⁰	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	6			3.7 (NR)		NA	188	4.1 (NR)	NR	NR, 0.004
Donepezil	Fair-Good	CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	6	6.1 (0.2)‡		NR	-0.21 [§] (0.12) [‡]	, ,	188	NR	0.16 [§] (0.13) [‡]	NR, 0.03
Donepezil		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG2	6	$(0.2)^{\ddagger}$		NR	-0.15 [§] (0.12) [‡]	, ,	188	NR	0.16 [§] (0.13) [‡]	NR, 0.07
Donepezil	Winblad, 2001 ²⁰¹	GBS (0-162)	Dem	IG1	12	29.51 (17.33)	138	NR	8.05 [§] (1.53) [‡]	29.77 (17.84)	144	NR	11.47 [§] (1.48) [‡]	NR, 0.054
Donepezil	Fair-Good	GBS (0-162)	Dem	IG1	3	29.51 (17.33)	129	NR	1.56 [§] (1.35) [‡]	29.77 (17.84)	129	NR	2.78 [§] (1.03) [‡]	NS
Donepezil		GBS (0-162)	Dem	IG1	6	29.51 (17.33)	122	NR	1.78§ (1.30)‡	29.77 (17.84)	121	NR	4.93 [§] (1.38) [‡]	NR, 0.046
Donepezil		GBS (0-162)	Dem	IG1	8	29.51 (17.33)	105	NR	3.87 [§] (1.86) [‡] (2.01, 5.43)		105	NR	9.14 [§] (1.88) [‡] (7.26, 10.99)	NR, 0.012
Donepezil		GDS (1-7)	Dem	IG1	12	4.15 (0.83)	136	NR	0.25 [§] (0.07) [‡]	4.16 (0.90)	140	NR	0.44 [§] (0.06) [‡]	NR, 0.014
Donepezil		GDS (1-7)	Dem	IG1	3	4.15 (0.83)	128	NR		4.16 (0.90)	130	NR	-0.30 (NR)	NR, 0.26
Donepezil		GDS (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	4.15 (0.83)	122	NR	0.01\\$ (0.07)\\$	4.16 (0.90)	121	NR	0.17 [§] (0.17) [‡]	NR, 0.004
Donepezil		GDS (1-7)	Dem	IG1	8		105	NR	0.09§ (0.07)‡	4.16 (0.90)	105	NR	0.37 [§] (0.08) [‡]	NR, 0.011
	Brodaty, 2005 ²⁰³	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6			5.3 (NR)			259	5.1 (NR)	NR	NR
Galantamine	Fair-Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	6			5.3 (NR)			259	5.1 (NR)	NR	NR
Galantamine		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA	186	5.3 (NR)	NR	NA	259	5.1 (NR)	NR	NR
Galantamine	2000 ²⁰⁶ Fair-Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	6	NA	171	5.3 (NR)	NR	NA	259	5.1 (NR)	NR	NR

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Galantamine	Rockwood, 2001 ²⁰⁶ Fair-Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	3	NA	240	5.3 (NR)	NR	NA	259	5.1 (NR)	NR	NR
Galantamine	Rockwood, 2006 ²⁰⁷ Fair	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	4	NA	61	5.3 (NR)	NR	NA	259	5.1 (NR)	NR	0.03
Galantamine	Wilcock, 2000 ²¹⁰	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA		5.3 (NR)		NA	259	(,	NR	NR, <0.05
Galantamine		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	6	NA		5.3 (NR)		NA	259		NR	NR, <0.001
Rivastigmine	Ballard, 2008 ²¹³ Fair	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA	329	4.0 (1.31)	NR	NA	320	4.1 (1.27)	NR	MD=0.1, NS
Rivastigmine		GDS (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	4.0 (0.8)	365	NR	-0.1 (0.85)	4.0 (0.8)	345	NR	0.0 (0.69)	MDC=0.1, NS
Rivastigmine	Corey-Bloom, 1998 ²¹⁴ Fair-Good	GDS (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	4.0 (NR)	231	NR	-0.13 (-0.22, -0.04)		234	NR	-0.32 (- 0.41, - 0.23)	MDC (95% CI): 0.19 (0.06, 0.32), <0.030
Rivastigmine		GDS (1-7)	Dem	IG2	6	4.0 (NR)	233	NR	-0.16 (-0.25, -0.07)	3.9 (NR)	234	NR	-0.32 (- 0.41, - 0.23)	NR
Rivastigmine	Feldman, 2007 ²¹⁵	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA	222	3.9 (1.3)	NR	NR	216	4.5 (1.3)	NR	Cohen's d=0.46, NR
Rivastigmine	Fair	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	6	NA	222	4.1 (1.3)	NR	NR	216	4.5 (1.3)	NR	Cohen's d=0.31,
Rivastigmine		GDS (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	4.1 (0.9)	227	NR	0.0 (0.7)	4.1 (0.9)	222	NR	-0.3 (0.7)	NR
Rivastigmine		GDS (1-7)	Dem	IG2		4.0 (0.9)	227	NR	-0.2 (0.7)	4.1 (0.9)	222	NR	-0.3 (0.7)	NR
Rivastigmine	Mok, 2007 ²¹⁷ Fair	CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	6	8.7 (5.1)	20	9.4 (5.5)	NR	9.1 (4.6)	19	9.5 (5.4)	NR	NR, 0.787
Rivastigmine	Rosler, 1999 ²¹⁸ Fair-Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	3	NA	191	3.88 (NR)	NR	NA	226	3.96 (NR)	NR	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	4	NA	179	3.85 (NR)	NR	NA	218	4.09 (NR)	NR	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA	193	3.88 (NR)	NR	NA	220	4.32 (NR)	NR	NR, <0.001
Rivastigmine		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	6	NA	224	4.17 (NR)	NR	NA	220	4.32 (NR)	NR	NR, >0.05
Rivastigmine	Rosler, 1999 ²¹⁸ Fair-Good	GDS (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NR	198	NR	-0.03 (-0.13, 0.13)	NR	223	NR	-0.24 (- 0.31, - 0.09)	NR, <0.05

Medication	Author, year Quality	Instrument (range)*	Pop cat	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG BL mean (SD)	IG n at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	change (SD)	CG BL mean (SD)	CG n at FU	CG FU mean (SD)	change	Between group difference, p- value
Rivastigmine		GDS (1-7)	Dem	IG2	6	NR	225	NR	-0.20 (-0.31, -0.09)	NR	223	NR	-0.24 (- 0.31, - 0.09)	NR
Rivastigmine	Winblad,	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA		3.9 (1.3)		NA	278	4.2 (1.3)	NR	NR, 0.009
Rivastigmine		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG2	6	NA		4.0 (1.3)		NA	278	4.2 (1.3)	NR	NR, 0.054
Rivastigmine	Fair	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG3	6	NA		3.9 (1.2)		NA	278	4.2 (1.3)	NR	NR, 0.01
Memantine	Bakchine, 2008 ²²⁰ Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	3	NA	267	5.3 (NR)	NR	NA	259	5.1 (NR)	NR	MD (95% CI)=-0.21 (- 0.40, -0.02), 0.033
Memantine		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	4	NA	268	5.3 (NR)	NR	NA	259	5.1 (NR)	NR	MD (95% CI)=-0.28 (- 0.49, -0.06), 0.012
Memantine		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA	268	5.3 (NR)	NR	NA	259	5.1 (NR)		MD (95% CI)=-0.07 (- 0.30, 0.15), 0.523
Memantine	Choi, 2011** ²²¹ Fair	CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	4	5.92 (3.08)		NR	,	5.84 (3.51)	74	NR	0.34 (1.55)	NR, 0.71
Memantine	Orgogozo, 2002 ²²⁵	CGIC (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA	116	3.58 (1.09)	NR	NA	117	3.85 (1.19)	NR	NR, 0.0938
Memantine	Fair-Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA	114	3.82 (1.39)	NR	NA	114	4.11 (1.48)	NR	NR, 0.284
Memantine		GBS (0-162)	Dem	IG1	6	NR	114	NR	-0.36 (15.38)	NA	118	NR	3.38 (16.34)	NR, 0.1194
Memantine	Peskind, 2006 ²²⁶	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	3	NA	178	3.99 (0.80)	NR	NA	179	4.18 (0.85)	NR	NR, 0.02
Memantine	Fair-Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	4	NA	167	4.17 (0.88)	NR	NA	172	4.43 (0.90)	NR	NR, 0.03
Memantine		CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA	195	4.20 (0.96)	NR	NA	198	4.52 (1.06)	NR	NR, 0.004
Memantine	Peters, 2015**227	CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	12	5.0 (1.5) [‡]	94	NR	1.14 (0.25)	4.8 (1.4) [‡]	96	NR	1.17 (0.25)	NR, 0.921
Memantine	Fair	CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1		5.0 (1.5) [‡]		NR		4.8 (1.4)‡		NR	0.44 (0.26)	NS
Memantine		CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	6	5.0 (1.5) [‡]	87	NR	0.32 (0.15)	4.8 (1.4) [‡]	90	NR	0.22 (0.14)	NS
Memantine	Peters, 2015**227 Fair	CDR-SB (0-18)	Dem	IG1	9	5.0 (1.5) [‡]	86	NR	0.40 (0.20)	4.8 (1.4) [‡]	91	NR	0.51 (0.19)	NS

Medication	Author, year Quality				-	_	IG n at FU	mean	change (SD)		at FU	mean (SD)	(SD) from	Between group difference, p- value
Memantine	Porsteinsson, 2008 ²²⁸ Good	CIBIC+ (1-7)	Dem	IG1	6	NA	214	4.38 (1.00)	NR	NA	-	4.42 (0.96)		MD (95% CI)=0.0 (-0.2, 0.2), 0.843

^{*} Lower scores indicate better outcomes for all instruments

Abbreviations: BL = baseline; CDR-SB = Clinical Dementia Rating Scale Sum of Boxes; CG = control group; CGI = Clinical Global Impression scale; CI = confidence interval; CIBIC+ = Clinician's Interview-Based Impression of Change with caregiver's input; Dem = dementia; FU = followup; GBS = Gottfries-Brane-Steen scale; GDS = Global Deterioration Scale; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MDC = mean difference in change; mo. = months; Pop cat = population category; NR = not reported; NS = not statistically significant; SD = standard deviation

[†] Least squares mean

[‡] Standard error

[§] Least squares mean change

^{■ 95%} confidence interval

[¶] Median

[#] Range

^{**} New study

Medication			- ,	Int		IG BL		IG FU	IG mean	CG BL		CG FU	CG mean	Between group
	Quality		range, direction)	arm		mean (SE)		mean (SE)	change (SE or 95% CI) from BL	(SE)		mean (SE)	change (SE or 95% CI) from BL	difference, p-value
Donepezil	,			IG1	6	15.3*	180	NR	0.53† (0.38)	15.9*	189	NR	1.44† (0.42)	NR
Donepezil	Fair-Good		(ADFACS, 0-54, ↓) ADL/IADL	IG2	6	(0.7) 17.3*	181	NR	0.64† (0.36)	(0.7) 15.9*	180	NR	1.44† (0.42)	NR
Donepezii		Dem	(ADFACS, 0-54, ↓)	IG2	O	(0.8)	101	INIX	0.041 (0.30)	(0.7)	100	INIX	1.44' (0.42)	INIX
Donepezil				IG1	6	NR	189	NR	0.13 [†] (0.27)	NR	180	NR	0.87† (0.32)	NR
Donepezil	-	Dem		IG2	6	NR	181	NR	-0.02 [†] (0.25)	NR	180	NR	0.87† (0.87)	NR, <0.05
Donepezil	Burns, 1999 ¹⁸⁵ Fair-Good		ADL/IADL (IDDD - performance scale, 33-231, ↓)	IG1	3	69.85 (1.71)	202	67.94 (0.40)	NR	69.84 (1.68)	219	69.75 (0.74)	NR	NR, 0.0085
Donepezil			performance scale, 33-231, ↓)	IG1		69.85 (1.71)		68.66 (0.40)	NR	69.84 (1.68)		70.93 (0.48)	NR	NR, 0.0033
Donepezil		Dem	performance scale, 33-231, ↓)	IG1		69.85 (1.71)	273	69.30 (0.46)	NR	69.84 (1.68)	274	71.45 (1.94)	NR	NR, 0.0072
Donepezil		Dem	ADL/IADL (IDDD - performance scale, 33-231, ↓)	IG2	3	67.78 (1.61)	211	68.94 (0.36)	NR	69.84 (1.68)	219	69.75 (0.74)	NR	NR
Donepezil			ADL/IADL (IDDD - performance scale, 33-231, ↓)	IG2	4	67.78 (1.61)	211	69.46 (0.40)	NR	69.84 (1.68)	219	70.93 (0.48)	NR	NR
Donepezil			ADL/IADL (IDDD - performance scale, 33-231, ↓)	IG2	6	67.78 (1.61)	271	70.36 (0.45)	NR	69.84 (1.68)	274	71.45 (1.94)	NR	NR, 0.0072
Donepezil	Feldman, 2001 ¹⁸⁷		ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 100, ↑)			52.11 (2.07)	127	NR	1.51 [†] (1.28)	54.07 (2.00)	132	NR	-3.16 [†] (1.22)	NR, 0.0037
Donepezil	Fair-Good		ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 100, ↑)			52.11 (2.07)	134	NR	-0.74 [†] (1.31)	54.07 (2.00)		NR	-8.98 [†] (1.40)	MDC=8.23, <0.0001
Donepezil			IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, NR, †)	IG1	6	64.34 (2.06)	144	NR	NR	63.88 (1.97)		NR	NR	MDC=6.83, <0.0001
Donepezil			↑)	IG1		7.90 (0.43)	144	NR	NR	7.63 (0.41)		NR	NR	MDC=1.32, 0.0015
Donepezil	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴		ÍÁDL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)	IG1	12	46.49 (4.3) [‡]	NR	NR	-1.41 (4.48) [‡]	45.87 (5.2) [‡]		NR	-1.44 (5.00) [‡]	NR
Donepezil	Fair	MCI	IADL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)	IG1	18	46.49 (4.3) [‡]	NR	NR	1.78 (5.02)‡	45.87 (5.2) [‡]	NR	NR	-2.34 (6.02) [‡]	NR
Donepezil		MCI	IADL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)	IG1	24	46.49 (4.3) [‡]	NR	NR	-3.09 (6.24) [‡]	45.87 (5.2) [‡]	NR	NR	-3.43 (6.73) [‡]	NR

	, ,	cat	,	Int arm		IG BL mean (SE)	at FU	IG FU mean (SE)	change (SE or 95% CI) from BL	mean (SE)	at FU	CG FU mean (SE)	CG mean change (SE or 95% CI) from BL	Between group difference, p-value
Donepezil		MCI	IADL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)	IG1	30	46.49 (4.3) [‡]	NR	-4.44 (7.39)‡	NR	45.87 (5.2) [‡]	NR	-5.00 (8.05) [‡]	NR	NR
Donepezil			IADL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)	IG1	36	46.49 (4.3) [‡]	161	NR	-6.26 (8.67) [‡]	45.87 (5.2) [‡]	193	NR	-6.39 (8.99) [‡]	NR
Donepezil			IADL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)	IG1	6	46.49 (4.3) [‡]	NR	NR	-0.21 (3.43) [‡]	45.87 (5.2) [‡]	NR	NR	-1.06 (4.54) [‡]	NR
Donepezil	Rogers, 1996 ¹⁹⁶ Fair-Good		ADL/IADL (Unified ADL, NR, ↓)	IG1	3	105.5 (NR)	38	NR	-3.1 (-36, 15)§	92.4 (NR)	40	NR	1.5 (-38, 57)§	NR, NS
Donepezil		Dem	ADL/IADL (Unified ADL, NR, ↓)	IG2	3	98.8 (NR)	40	NR	0.6 (-21, 30)§	92.4 (NR)	40	NR	1.5 (-38, 57)§	NR, NS
Donepezil			ADL/IADL (Unified ADL, NR, ↓)	IG3	3	94.7 (NR)	41	NR	4.0 (-25, 97)§	92.4 (NR)	40	NR	1.5 (-38, 57)§	NR, NS
Donepezil	Wilkinson, 2003 ²⁰⁰	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADFACS, 0-54, ↓)	IG1	6	16.1* (0.7)	203	NR	-0.23 [†] (0.40)	15.1* (0.7)	188	NR	0.76† (0.39)	NS
Donepezil	Fair-Good	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADFACS, 0-54, ↓)	IG2		15.7* (0.7)		NR	0.11 [†] (0.45)	15.1* (0.7)		NR	0.76† (0.39)	NS
	Winblad, 2001 ²⁰¹ Fair-Good	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADFACS, 0-54, ↓)	IG1		52.77 (20.58) [‡]	93	NR	-11.19 [†] (NR)	52.93 (20.45) [‡]		NR	-15.25 [†] (NR)	NR, <0.05
Galantamine	Auchus, 2007 ²⁰² Fair		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1		48.3 (17.2) [‡]	388	NR	0.8 (9.78)	45.9 (16.8) [‡]	379	NR	0.2 (9.12)	NR, 0.789
Galantamine	Brodaty, 2005 ²⁰³		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1		52.0 (0.90)	279	NR	1.1 (0.47)	54.5 (0.87)	281	NR	-0.3 (0.46)	NR
Galantamine	Fair-Good	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1		52.0 (0.90)	242	NR	-1.0 (0.05)	54.5 (0.87)	258	NR	-2.7 (0.56)	NR (95% CI)=(0.22, 3.04), 0.018
Galantamine			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG2		53.5 (0.88)		NR	0.4 (0.48)	54.5 (0.87)		NR	-0.3 (0.46)	NR
Galantamine	Brodaty, 2005 ²⁰³ Fair-Good		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG2		53.5 (0.88)	245	NR	0.0 (0.48)	54.5 (0.87)	258	NR	-2.7 (0.56)	NR (95% CI)=(1.09, 3.91), <0.001
Galantamine	Erkinjuntti, 2002 ²⁰⁴ Fair-Good		ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 100, ↑)	IG1	6	NR	288	NR	0.2 (0.9)	NR	161	NR	-4.4 (1.3)	MDC=4.6, 0.0017
Galantamine	Hager, 2014 ^{∥206} Fair		ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 100, ↑)	IG1		61.8 (21.61) [‡]	811	NR	-4.55 (14.68) [‡]	60.9 (21.09)‡		NR	-6.50 (16.17) [‡]	NR, 0.009
Galantamine		Dem	ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 100, ↑)	IG1		61.8 (21.61) [‡]	810	NR	-8.16 (17.25) [‡]	60.9 (21.09)‡		NR	-10.81 (18.27) [‡]	NR, 0.002

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Galantamine	Rockwood, 2001 ²⁰⁸ Fair-Good	Dem	ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 100, ↑)	IG1		73.0 (1.91)		NR	-0.4 (0.76)	69.1 (1.42)		NR	-5.2 (1.18)	NR, <0.001
Galantamine	Rockwood, 2006 ²⁰⁷ Fair	Dem	ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 100, ↑)	IG1	4	76.4 (19.7) [‡]	NR	NR	NR	70.6 (21.4) [‡]	NR	NR	NR	ES=0.28, 0.13
Galantamine	Tariot, 2000 ²⁰⁹ Fair-Good		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)			51.9 (1.0)	253	NR	-1.5 (0.6)	52.3 (0.9)		NR	-3.8 (0.6)	NR, <0.01
Galantamine			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)			51.6 (0.9)	255	NR	-0.7 (0.5)	52.3 (0.9)		NR	-3.8 (0.6)	NR, <0.001
Galantamine			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)			54.2 (1.2)		NR	-3.2 (0.8)	52.3 (0.9)		NR	-3.8 (0.6)	NR
Galantamine	Wilcock, 2000 ²¹⁰		ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 100, ↑)			69.9 (21.4) [‡]	212	NR	-3.2 (1.02)	66.6 (22.5) [‡]		NR	-6.0 (1.08)	MDC (95% CI)=2.8 (-0.6, 6.1), 0.1
Galantamine			ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 100, ↑)			69.6 (20.6) [‡]	214	NR	-2.5 (1.07)	66.6 (22.5) [‡]		NR	-6.0 (1.08)	MDC (95% CI)=3.4 (0.1, 6.7), <0.05
Galantamine	Wilkinson, 2001 ²¹¹		D) `	IG1	3	NA	56	50 (89.3)¶	NR	NA	87	65 (74.7)¶	NR	NR
Galantamine	Fair-Good		D)	IG2		NA	54	42 (77.8)¶	NR	NA		65 (74.7)¶	NR	NR
Galantamine			ADL/IADL (PDS, D)			NA	88	72 (81.8)¶	NR	NA	87	65 (74.7)¶	NR	NR
Rivastigmine	Agid, 1998 ²¹² Fair-Good		ADL (NOSGER ADL subscale, 1-5, ↓)	IG1		NR		NR	-0.1 (2.1)‡	NR		NR	0.1 (2.7)‡	NR
Rivastigmine			ADL (NOSGER ADL subscale, 1-5, ↓)	IG2	3	NR	111	NR	0.2 (2.8)‡	NR	117	NR	0.1 (2.7)‡	NR
Rivastigmine			ADL (NOSGER ADL subscale, 1-5, ↓)	IG1	3	NR	103	NR	-0.7 (3.5)‡	NR	117	NR	-0.2 (3.3) [‡]	NR
Rivastigmine	Agid, 1998 ²¹² Fair-Good		ADL (NOSGER ADL subscale, 1-5, ↓)	IG2	3	NR	111	NR	0.0 (3.3) [‡]	NR	117	NR	-0.2 (3.3) [‡]	NR
Rivastigmine	Fair		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)			46.7 (17.7) [‡]	365	NR	-0.1 (0.59)	46.4 (17.2) [‡]	345	NR	-0.7 (0.60)	MDC (95% CI)=0.6, NS
Rivastigmine	Corey-Bloom, 1998 ²¹⁴	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)	IG1	3	NR	169	NR	-0.7 (NR)	NR	216	NR	-1.9 (NR)	NR
Rivastigmine	Fair-Good	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)	IG1	4	NR	157	NR	-0.6 (NR)	NR	201	NR	-4.0 (NR)	NR, <0.05

Medication Author, year	Pop	ADL or ADL,	Int	Time	IG BL	IG n	IG FU	IG mean	CG BL	CG n	CG FU	CG mean	Between group
Quality	cat	(Instrument, range, direction)	arm	, mo.	mean (SE)	at FU	mean (SE)	change (SE or 95% CI) from BL	mean (SE)	at FU	mean (SE)	change (SE or 95% CI) from BL	difference, p-value
Rivastigmine		ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)			NR			0.19) `	NR		NR	-4.90 (-6.22, - 3.58)	MDC (95% CI)=3.38 (1.51, 5.25), <0.001
Rivastigmine	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)	IG2	3	NR	223	NR	-3.6 (NR)	NR	216	NR	-1.9 (NR)	NR
Rivastigmine	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)	IG2	4	NR	208	NR	-3.4 (NR)	NR	201	NR	-4.0 (NR)	NR
Rivastigmine	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)	IG2	6	NR	233	NR	-5.19 (-6.52, - 3.86)	NR	234	NR	-4.90 (-6.22, - 3.58)	NR
Rivastigmine	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, D)	IG1	6	NA	145	36 (24.8)#	NR	NA	192	29 (15.1)#	NR	NR, 0.006
Rivastigmine	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, D)	IG1	6	NA	194		NR	NA	192	29 (15.1)#	NR	NS
Rivastigmine Feldman, 2007 ²¹⁵	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)	IG1	6	49.2 (19.8) [‡]	225	NR	-1.5 (11.3) [‡]	49.0 (19.6) [‡]	221	NR	-4.9 (11.2) [‡]	NR
Rivastigmine Fair	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)	IG2	6		227	NR	-2.6 (11.1) [‡]	49.0 (19.6) [‡]	221	NR	-4.9 (11.2) [‡]	NR
Rivastigmine Mok, 2007 ²¹⁷ Fair		IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-8, ↑)	IG1	6	2.3 (0.7) [‡]	20	2.3 (0.5) [‡]	NR	2.3 (0.6) [‡]	19	2.2 (0.8) [‡]	NR	NR, 0.299
Rivastigmine Rosler, 1999 ²¹⁸ Fair-Good			IG1	3	NR	191		0.48 (NR)	NR	226	NR	0.12 (NR)	NS
Rivastigmine	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)	IG1	4	NR	179	NR	0.08 (NR)	NR	218	NR	-0.99 (NR)	NS
Rivastigmine	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)	IG1	6	NR	198	NR	0.5 (-1.32, 2.52)	NR	223	NR	-2.23 (-4.02, - 0.38)	NR, <0.05
Rivastigmine	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)	IG2	3	NR	226	NR	-0.90 (NR)	NR	226	NR	0.12 (NR)	NS
Rivastigmine	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, 0- 100, ↑)	IG2	4	NR	219	NR	-1.78 (NR)	NR	218	NR	-0.99 (NR)	NS
Rivastigmine Rosler, 1999 ²¹⁸ Fair-Good	Dem		IG2	6	NR	225	NR	-3.31 (-5.10, - 1.50)	NR	223	NR	-2.23 (-4.02, - 0.38)	NR, >0.05
RivastigmineWinblad, 2007 ²¹⁹ Fair		ADL/IADL (PDS, D)	IG1	6	NA	198	66 (33.3)#	NR	NA	223	45 (20.2)#	NR	NR, <0.01
Rivastigmine Winblad, 2007 ²¹⁹	Dem	ADL/IADL (PDS, D)	IG2	6	NA	225	45 (20.0)#	NR	NA	223	45 (20.0)#	NR	NR, >0.05
RivastigmineFair		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	49.3 (15.8) [‡]	254		-0.5 (9.5)	49.2 (16.0) [‡]	281	NR	-2.3 (9.4) [‡]	NR, 0.04
Rivastigmine	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG2	6	47.6 (15.7) [‡]	263	NR	0.0 (11.6)	49.2 (16.0) [‡]	281	NR	-2.3 (9.4) [‡]	NR, 0.02

Medication	Author, year Quality	cat	range, direction)	Int arm	, mo.	IG BL mean (SE)	at FU	IG FU mean (SE)	change (SE or 95% CI) from BL	mean (SE)	at FU	CG FU mean (SE)	CG mean change (SE or 95% CI) from BL	Between group difference, p-value
Rivastigmine			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)			50.1 (16.3) [‡]		NR	-0.1 (9.1)	49.2 (16.0) [‡]		NR	-2.3 (9.4)‡	NR, 0.01
Memantine	Bakchine, 2008 ²²⁰ Good		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1		NR	268	NR	-0.67 (NR)	NR		NR	-0.19 (NR)	MDC (95% CI)=- 0.48 (-1.8, 0.85), 0.480
Memantine			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	NR	267	NR	-1.99 (NR)	NR	134	NR	-2.08 (NR)	MDC (95% CI)=0.09 (-1.52, 1.70), 0.912
Memantine	Choi, 2011 1221 Fair		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	4	51.0 (13.8) [‡]	84	NR	-1.4 (7.9)	52.4 (15.9) [‡]	74	NR	-2.4 (8.5) [‡]	NR, 0.50
Memantine	Dysken, 2014 ²²²		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	12	57.3 (14.2) [‡]	119	NR	-7.08 [†] (-9.39, - 4.64)	56.8 (13.7) [‡]	112	NR	-8.14 [†] (-10.5, -5.73)	NR
Memantine	Good		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1		57.3 (14.2) [‡]	95	NR	-9.39 [†] (-12.1, - 6.55)	56.8 (13.7) [‡]	96	NR	-10.2 [†] (-13.0, -7.40)	NR
Memantine	_		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	24	57.3 (14.2) [‡]	80	NR	-14.0 [†] (-17.4, - 10.7)	56.8 (13.7) [‡]	77	NR	-16.2 [†] (-19.6, -12.8)	NR
Memantine	Dysken, 2014 ²²²		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	30	57.3 (14.2) [‡]	64	NR	-18.4 [†] (-22.1, - 14.4)	56.8 (13.7) [‡]	54	NR	-19.7 [†] (-23.7, -15.6)	NR
Memantine	Good		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	36	57.3 (14.2) [‡]	38	NR	-18.9 [†] (-23.5, - 14.0)	56.8 (13.7) [‡]	33	NR	-24.8 [†] (-29.7, -19.9)	NR
Memantine			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	42	57.3 (14.2) [‡]	38	NR	-23.6 [†] (-28.7, - 18.3)	56.8 (13.7) [‡]	33	NR	-28.1 [†] (-33.5, -22.7)	NR
Memantine			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	48	57.3 (14.2) [‡]	142	NR	-14.98 [†] (1.10)	56.8 (13.7) [‡]	140	NR	-16.96 [†] (1.11)	MDC (95% CI)=1.98 (-0.24, 4.20), 0.40
Memantine	Dysken, 2014 ^{ll222} Good		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	57.3 (14.2) [‡]	139	NR	-2.47 [†] (-4.30, - 0.59)	56.8 (13.7) [‡]	135	NR	-4.54 [†] (-6.42, -2.68)	NR
Memantine	Orgogozo, 2002 ²²⁵ Fair-Good		ADL (NOSGER ADL subscale, 1-5, ⊥)	IG1	6	NR	93	NR	0.40 (NR)	NR	95	NR	0.19 (NR)	NR, 0.931
Memantine			ADL (NOSGER ADL subscale, 1-5, ↓)	IG1	6	NR	116	NR	1.05 (NR)	NR	118	NR	0.34 (NR)	NR, 0.321
Memantine	Peskind, 2006 ²²⁶ Fair-Good		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	57.2 (14.77) [‡]	196	NR	-2.07 [†] (7.14) [‡]	56.2 (13.11) [‡]		NR	-1.77 [†] (7.18) [‡]	NR, 0.63
Memantine	Peters, 2015 ²²⁷ Fair		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1		62.1 (10.5) [‡]	94	NR	-6.83 (1.33) [‡]	62.1 (12.9) [‡]	96	NR	-6.16 (1.34) [‡]	NR, 0.719

	Author, year Quality	cat	,	Int arm	_	_	at FU	mean (SE)	change (SE or	mean	at	mean (SE)		Between group difference, p-value
Memantine			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	4	62.1 (10.5) [‡]	77	NR	-0.92 (0.90) [‡]	62.1 (12.9) [‡]	74	NR	-1.40 (0.92) [‡]	NS
Memantine			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	62.1 (10.5) [‡]	72	NR	-2.53 (1.09) [‡]	62.1 (12.9) [‡]	77	NR	-3.38 (1.05) [‡]	NS
Memantine	Porsteinsson, 2008 ²²⁸ Good	_	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	54.7 (14.44) [‡]	214	51.8 (15.89) ‡	NR	54.8 (13.08) [‡]	_	52.0 (15.70) [‡]		MDC (95% CI)=-0.2 (-1.6, 1.3), 0.816

^{*} Least squares mean

Abbreviations: ADL = Activities of Daily Living; ADCS-ADL = Alzheimer's Disease Cooperative Study Activities of Daily Living 23 items; ADFACS = Alzheimer's Disease Functional Assessment and Change Scale; BL = baseline; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; D = dichotomized; DAD = Disability Assessment for Dementia scale; Dem = dementia; ES = effect size; FU = followup; IADL = Instrumental Activities of Daily Living; IDDD = Interview for Deterioration in Daily Living Activities in Dementia; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MDC = mean difference in change; mo. = months; PDS = Progressive Deterioration Scale; Pop cat = population category; NA = not applicable; NOSGER = Nurses' Observation Scale for Geriatric Patients scale; NR = not reported; NS = not statistically significant; PSMS = Physical Self-Maintenance Scale; SE = standard error

[†] Least squares mean change

[‡] Standard deviation

[§] Range

[|] New study

[¶] Number (%) of participants demonstrating no change, improvement, or much improvement on PDS

[#] Number (%) of participants demonstrating clinically meaningful improvement (≥10% improvement in PDS total score)

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Medication	Author, year	Pop cat	Symptom	Int	Time,	IG BL	IG n	IG FU	IG mean	CG BL	CG r	CG FU	CG mean	Between group
	Quality		(Instrument, range†)	arm	mo.	mean (SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	mean (SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	difference, p-value
Donepezil	Doody, 2009 ¹⁸⁶ Fair	MCI	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	11	4.0 (7.3)	379	NR	1.8 (0.5) [‡]	3.4 (5.8)	378	NR	3.4 (5.8) [‡]	NS
Donepezil	Feldman, 2001 ¹⁸⁷ Fair-Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	3	19.55 (1.48) [‡]	127	NR	-4.69 [§] (1.22) [‡]	19.30 (1.45)	132	NR	-3.06 [§] (1.14) [‡]	NR
Donepezil		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	4	19.55 (1.48) [‡]	122	NR	-3.86 [§] (1.39) [‡]	19.30 (1.45)	126	NR	-0.47 [§] (1.29) [‡]	NR
Donepezil		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	19.55 (1.48) [‡]	138	NR	-4.6 [§] (1.24) [‡]	19.30 (1.45)	144	NR	1.0 [§] (1.19) [‡]	MDC=-5.64, 0.0005
Donepezil	Holmes, 2004 ¹⁸⁸ Fair-Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG1	6	14.3 (1.4) [‡]	41	NR	-2.9 (1.6) [‡]	15.1 (1.8) [‡]	55	NR	3.3 (2.1)‡	NR, 0.02
Donepezil	Ikeda, 2015* ¹⁸⁹ Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)		3	16.6 (11.7)	49	NR	-5.5 (1.4) [‡]	20.5 (15.0)	44	NR	-6.4 (1.5) [‡]	MDC (95% CI)=0.9 (-3.1, 4.9), 0.660
Donepezil		Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)		3	18.9 (15.3)	45	NR	, ,	20.5 (15.0)	44	NR	-6.4 (1.5) [‡]	MDC (95% CI)=3.0 (-1.0, 7.1), 0.143
Donepezil	Mori, 2012 ¹⁹³ Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG1	3	19.5 (12.8)	35	NR	-8.0 (12.8)	18.3 (8.9)	32	NR	0.3 (17.5)	MDC (95% CI)=-8.3 (-15.8, -0.9), 0.019
Donepezil		Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG2	3	14.0 (8.3)	32	NR	-5.5 (6.7)	18.3 (8.9)	32	NR	0.3 (17.5)	MDC (95% CI)=-5.8 (-12.4, 0.8), 0.047
Donepezil		Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG3	3	20.7 (12.8)	35	NR	-3.9 (22.0)	18.3 (8.9)	32	NR	0.3 (17.5)	MDC (95% CI)=-4.2 (-13.9, 5.6), 0.602
Donepezil	Tune, 2003 ¹⁹⁹ Fair-Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	3	18.36 (12.40)	14	NR	0.91§ (14.50)		13	NR	-1.52 [§] (13.30)	NR (95% CI)=NR (- 7.50, 12.37), 0.652
Donepezil		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	18.36 (12.40)	14	NR	5.40§ (17.80)		13	NR	2.65§ (14.00)	NR (95% CI)=NR (- 9.87, 15.39), 0.688
Galantamine	Brodaty, 2005 ²⁰³ Fair-Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	12.6 (NR)	242	NR	-0.9 (0.73)‡	10.3 (NR)	258	NR	0.6 (0.62)‡	NR (95% CI)=NR (- 3.42, 0.23), 0.102
Galantamine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG2	6	11.2 (NR)	245	NR	-0.6 (0.66) [‡]	10.3 (NR)	258	NR		NR (95% CI)=NR (- 1.85, 1.82), 0.941
Galantamine	Erkinjuntti, 2002 ²⁰⁴ Fair-Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG1	6	12.2 (12.98)	279	NR	-1.2 (0.6) [‡]	11.4 (11.27)	154	NR	1.0 (0.9) [‡]	MDC=-2.2, 0.0164
Galantamine		Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG1	3	9.2 (0.66) [‡]	241	NR	-0.3 (0.70)‡	9.4 (1.01) [‡]	123	NR	0.5 (0.65)‡	NS
Galantamine	Tariot, 2000 ²⁰⁹ Fair-Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG1	5	11.9 (0.8) [‡]	253	NR	0.0 (0.8)‡	11.0 (0.7) [‡]	262	NR	2.0 (0.7)‡	NR, 0.03
Galantamine	Tariot, 2000 ²⁰⁹ Fair-Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG2	5	12.4 (0.8) [‡]	255	NR	-0.1 (0.7) [‡]	11.0 (0.7) [‡]	262	NR	2.0 (0.7)‡	NR, 0.04
Galantamine		Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG3	5	12.9 (1.2) [‡]	129	NR	2.3 (1.0) [‡]	11.0 (0.7) [‡]	262	NR	2.0 (0.7)‡	NR

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Medication	Author, year	Pop cat	Symptom	Int	Time,	IG BL	IG n	IG FU			CG n			Between group
	Quality		range†)	arm	mo.	mean (SD)	FU	mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	(SD)	at FU	(SD)	change (SD) from BL	difference, p-value
Rivastigmine	Ballard, 2008 ²¹³ Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	13.4 (12.5)	364	NR	-1.4 (0.63) [‡]	12.9 (11.5)	342	NR	-1.8 (0.64) [‡]	MDC=0.4, NS
Rivastigmine	McKeith, 2000 ²¹⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG1	5	23.2 (15.0)	47	NR	-5.0 (16.2)	20.2 (14.2)	53	NR	-1.2 (10.7)	MDC (95% CI)=-3.8 (-1.6, 9.2), 0.048
Rivastigmine	Mok, 2007 ²¹⁷ Fair	Dem	Anxiety (NPI, Anxiety subscale, 0- 12)	IG1	6	0.8 (1.9)	20	0.3 (0.7)	NR	0.2 (0.5)	19	0.2 (0.7)	NR	NR, 0.346
Rivastigmine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)		6	15.0 (14.6)		11.4 (9.4)	NR	9.5 (6.5)	19	10.4 (11.3)	NR	NR, 0.282
Rivastigmine	Winblad, 2007 ²¹⁹ Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	15.1 (14.1)		NR	-2.2 (11.9)	14.9 (15.7)	281	NR	-1.7 (13.8)	NR, 0.51
Rivastigmine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG2	6	15.1 (13.4)	263	NR	-2.3 (13.3)	14.9 (15.7)	281	NR	-1.7 (13.8)	NR, 0.69
Rivastigmine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)		6	13.9 (14.1)	248	NR	-1.7 (11.5)	14.9 (15.7)	281	NR	-1.7 (13.8)	NR, 0.74
Memantine	Bakchine, 2008 ²²⁰ Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	3	NR	268	NR	-1.37 (NR)	NR	135	NR	, ,	MDC (95% CI)=- 0.35 (-1.96, 1.26), 0.671
Memantine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	NR	267	NR	-1.45 (NR)	NR	134	NR	-2.73 (NR)	MDC (95% CI)=1.28 (-0.5, 3.05), 0.159
Memantine	Choi, 2011* ²²¹ Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	4	14.7 (18.4)	84	NR	1.2 (10.8)	13.3 (18.7)	74	NR	1.0 (15.8)	NR, 0.88
Memantine	Dysken, 2014* ²²² Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)			8.0 (NR)	139	NR	-0.26§ (-2.26, 1.89)¶	8.0 (NR)	135	NR	0.47 [§] (-1.62, 2.57) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)			8.0 (NR)		NR	2.70) [¶] `	8.0 (NR)	112	NR	3.53) [¶] `	NR
Memantine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1		8.0 (NR)	94	NR	1.14 [§] (-1.62, 4.00) [¶]	8.0 ^{II} (NR)	96	NR	6.87) [¶] `	NR
Memantine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)			8.0 (NR)		NR	7.81) [¶]	8.0 (NR)	75	NR	3.59 [§] (0.004, 7.19) [¶]	
Memantine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	30	8.0 (NR)	64	NR	2.57 [§] (-0.73, 5.98)¶	8.0 (NR)	55	NR	1.68 [§] (-1.88, 5.21) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	36	8.0 (NR)	45	NR	3.17 (-0.83, 7.31) [¶]	8.0 (NR)	41	NR	0.60 [§] (-3.63, 4.83) [¶]	NR
Memantine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	42	8.0 (NR)	38	NR		8.0 (NR)	33	NR	3.63 [§] (-2.01, 9.31) [¶]	NR
Memantine	Dysken, 2014* ²²² Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1		8.0 (NR)	142	NR		8.0 ¹ (NR)	140	NR	2.26 [§] (1.01) [‡]	MDC (95% CI)=- 0.39 (-2.47, 1.70), 0.94

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Medication	Author, year	Pop cat	Symptom	Int	Time,	IG BL	IG n				CG n			Between group
	Quality		(Instrument, range [†])	arm	mo.	mean (SD)			change (SD) from BL		at FU		change (SD) from BL	difference, p-value
Memantine	Herrmann,	Dem	NPS (NPI-12,	IG1	6	30.94	_	•	-3.90 (1.24) [‡]	` '	165		_	MDC (95% CI)=1.23
Wemanine	2013* ²²⁴ Fair	Dem	0-144)	IG I	0	(1.17) [‡]	139	INIX	-3.90 (1.24)	(1.03) [‡]	103	INIX	-3.13 (1.23)	(-1.75, 4.21), 0.42
Memantine	Peskind, 2006 ²²⁶ Fair-Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	3	11.5 (13.20)	183	NR	-	12.2 (13.00)	179	NR		LSM change (95% CI)=-2.4 (-4.7, -0.2), 0.035
Memantine		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	11.5 (13.20)	196	NR		12.2 (13.00)	198	NR		LSM change (95% CI)=-2.34 (-4.5, - 0.18), 0.03
Memantine	Peters, 2015* ²²⁷ Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 8-96)	IG1	12	NR	94	NR	NR	NR	96	NR	NR	NR, 0.106
Memantine	Porsteinsson, 2008 ²²⁷ Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	11.8 (13.11)	212	12.9 (14.48)		12.3 (13.28)	209	12.6 (14.56)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=0.3 (-1.7, 2.4), 0.743
Memantine	Wilkinson, 2012 ²³¹ Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	12	13.1 (12.8)	103	NR		12.8 (12.4)	114	NR	NR	MDC (SE)=0.56 (1.19), NS

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: BL = baseline; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; Dem = dementia; FU = followup; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; LSM = least squares mean; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MDC = mean difference in change; mo. = months; NPI-10 = Neuropsychiatric Inventory-10 item; NPI-12 = Neuropsychiatric Inventory-12 item; NPS = Composite neuropsychiatric symptoms; NR = not reported; NS = not statistically significant; SD = standard deviation; SE = standard error

[†] Lower scores indicate better outcomes for all instruments

[‡] Standard error

[§] Least squares mean change

[∥] Median

^{¶ 95%} CI

Appendix E Table 6. AChEls and Memantine: Detailed Results for Harms, by Medication Type

Medication	Author, year Quality		Int arm	mo.	IG n at FU	(%) with event	FU	(%) with event	Between group difference, p-value
Donepezil	Black, 2003 ¹⁸⁴ Fair-Good	Adverse events		6	206	195 (94.7)		176 (88.4)	·
Donepezil		Adverse events		6	198	176 (88.9)		176 (88.4)	·
Donepezil		Serious adverse events	IG1	6	206	45 (21.8)	199	30 (15.1)	NR
Donepezil		Serious adverse events		6	198	32 (16.2)	199	30 (15.1)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	206	45 (21.8)	199		NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	6	198	22 (11.1)	199	22 (11.1)	NR
Donepezil	Burns, 1999 ¹⁸⁵ Fair-Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	6	273	24 (8.8)	274	25 (9.1)	NR
Donepezil		Serious adverse events	IG2	6	271	24 (8.9)	274	25 (9.1)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	273	50 (18.3)	274	27 (9.9)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	6	271	24 (8.9)	274	27 (9.9)	NR
Donepezil	Doody, 2009 ¹⁸⁶ Fair	Adverse events	IG1	11	391	318 (81.3)	387	267 (69.0)	NR
Donepezil		Serious adverse events	IG1	11	391	48 (12.3)	387	41 (10.6)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events		11	391	72 (18.4)			NR
Donepezil	Feldman, 2001 ¹⁸⁷	Adverse events		6	144	120 (83.3)		117 (80.1)	
Donepezil	Fair-Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	6	144	19 (13.2)	146	,	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	144	12 (8.3)	146	9 (6.2)	NR
Donepezil	Holmes, 2004 ¹⁸⁸ Fair-Good			6	41	, ,	55	, ,	NR
Donepezil	Ikeda, 2015* ¹⁸⁹ Fair	Adverse events		3	49	34 (69.4)	46	31 (67.4)	NR
Donepezil		Adverse events	IG2	3	47	30 (63.8)	46	31 (67.4)	NR

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Medication	Author, year Quality	Outcome	Int arm	mo.	IG n at FU	IG FU N (%) with event	FU	CG FU N (%) with event	Between group difference, p-value
Donepezil		Serious adverse events	IG1	3	49	1 (2.0)	46	3 (6.5)	NR
Donepezil		Serious adverse events	IG2	3	47	4 (8.5)	46	3 (6.5)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	3	49	2 (4.1)	46	5 (10.9)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	3	47	10 (21.3)	46	5 (10.9)	NR
Donepezil	Krishnan, 2003 ¹⁹⁰	Adverse events	IG1	6	34	32 (94.1)	33	28 (84.8)	NS
Donepezil	Fair-Good	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	34	0 (0.0)	33	1 (3.0)	NR
Donepezil	Mazza, 2006 ¹⁹¹ Fair-Good		IG1	6	25	4 (16.0)	26	0 (0.0)	NR
Donepezil	Mohs, 2001 ¹⁹² Fair	Serious adverse events	IG1	12	214	26 (12.1)	217	19 (8.8)	NR
Donepezil			IG1	12	214	20 (9.3)	217	12 (5.5)	NR
Donepezil	Mori, 2012 ¹⁹³ Fair		IG1	3	37	32 (86.5)	34	24 (70.6)	NR
Donepezil		Adverse events	IG2	3	33	27 (81.8)	34	24 (70.6)	NR
Donepezil		Adverse events	IG3	3	35	24 (68.6)	34	24 (70.6)	NR
Donepezil		Serious adverse events	IG1	3	37	4 (10.8)	34	2 (5.9)	NR
Donepezil		Serious adverse events		3	33	2 (6.1)	34	2 (5.9)	NR
Donepezil		Serious adverse events	IG3	3	35	2 (5.7)	34	2 (5.9)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	3	37	3 (8.1)	34	4 (11.8)	NR
Donepezil			IG2	3	33	1 (3.0)	34	4 (11.8)	NR
Donepezil	Mori, 2012 ¹⁹³ Fair	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG3	3	35	3 (8.6)	34	4 (11.8)	NR

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Medication	Author, year Quality	Outcome	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG n at FU		CG n at FU		Between group difference, p-value
Donepezil	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴ Fair	Adverse events	IG1	36	253	221 [†]	259	64 [†]	NR, <0.01
Donepezil	Rogers, 1996 ¹⁹⁶ Fair-Good	Adverse events	IG1	3	39	26 (66.7)	40	26 (65.0)	NR
Donepezil		Adverse events		3	40	27 (67.5)	40	26 (65.0)	NR
Donepezil		Adverse events		3	42	, ,	40	26 (65.0)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	3	39	3 (7.7)	40	2 (5.0)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	3	40	2 (5.0)	40	2 (5.0)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG3	3	42	5 (11.9)	40	2 (5.0)	NR
Donepezil	Rogers, 1998 ¹⁹⁵ _Fair-Good	events		3	158	124 (78.5)		106 (69.3)	
Donepezil		Adverse events	IG2	3	157	106 (67.5)	153	106 (69.3)	NR
Donepezil	<u>e</u> 3	Serious adverse events	IG1	3	158	6 (3.8)	153	7 (4.6)	NR
Donepezil		Serious adverse events		3	157	6 (3.8)	153	7 (4.6)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	3	158	16 (10.1)	153	3 (2.0)	NR
Donepezil		due to adverse events		3	157	7 (4.5)	153	3 (2.0)	NR
Donepezil	Salloway, 2004 ¹⁹⁷	Adverse events	IG1	6	132	116 (87.9)	137	100 (73.0)	NR, ≤0.03
Donepezil	Fair-Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	6	133	5 (3.8)	137	6 (4.4)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	133	29 (21.8)	137	10 (7.3)	NR
Donepezil	Seltzer, 2004 ¹⁹⁸ Fair-Good	Adverse events	IG1	6	96	67 (69.8)	57	37 (64.9)	NR
Donepezil		Serious adverse events	IG1	6	96	5 (5.2)	57	3 (5.3)	NR
Donepezil	Seltzer, 2004 ¹⁹⁸ Fair-Good		IG1	6	96	15 (15.6)	57	5 (8.8)	NR

Medication	Author, year Quality	Outcome	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG n at FU		CG n at FU	(%) with	Between group difference, p-value
Donepezil	Tune, 2003 ¹⁹⁹ Fair-Good	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	14	0 (0.0)	14	0 (0.0)	NR
Donepezil	Wilkinson, 2003 ²⁰⁰	Adverse events		6	215	197 (91.6)	193	167 (86.5)	NR
Donepezil	Fair-Good	Adverse events		6	208	188 (90.4)	193	, ,	NR
Donepezil		Serious adverse events	IG1	6	215	31 (14.4)	193	32 (16.6)	NR
Donepezil		Serious adverse events	IG2	6	208	28 (13.5)	193	32 (16.6)	NR
Donepezil			IG1	6	215	35 (16.3)	193	17 (8.8)	NR
Donepezil		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	6	208	21 (10.1)	193	17 (8.8)	NR
Donepezil	Winblad, 2001 ²⁰¹	Adverse events	IG1	12	142	116 (81.7)	144	109 (75.7)	NR
Donepezil	Fair-Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	12	142	35 (24.6)	144	20 (13.9)	NR
Donepezil			IG1	12	142	10 (7.0)	144	9 (6.3)	NR
Galantamine	Auchus, 2007 ²⁰² Fair		IG1	6	396	301 (76.0)	390	278 (71.3)	NR
Galantamine		Serious adverse events	IG1	6	396	80 (20.2)	390	72 (18.5)	NR
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	396		390	27 (6.9)	NR
Galantamine	Brodaty, 2005 ²⁰³ Fair-Good	Adverse events	IG1	6	326	235 (72.1)	320	224 (70.0)	NR
Galantamine		Adverse events	IG2	6	319	253 (79.3)	320	224 (70.0)	NR
Galantamine		Serious adverse events	IG1	6	326	3 (0.9)	320	3 (0.9)	NR
Galantamine		Serious adverse events	IG2	6	319	3 (0.9)	320	3 (0.9)	NR
Galantamine	Brodaty, 2005 ²⁰³ Fair-Good		IG1	6	326	24 (7.4)	320	15 (4.7)	NR

Medication	Author, year Quality		Int arm	Time, mo.	IG n at FU	(%) with event	FU	(%) with event	Between group difference, p-value
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events		6	319		320	15 (4.7)	NR
Galantamine	Erkinjuntti, 2002 ²⁰⁴	Adverse events	IG1	6	396	330 (83.3)	196	133 (67.9)	NR
Galantamine	Fair-Good	due to adverse events	IG1	6	396	78 (19.7)	196	16 (8.2)	NR
Galantamine	Hager, 2014* ²⁰⁵ Fair	Adverse events	IG1	24	1024	553 (54.0)	1021	496 (48.6)	NR
Galantamine		Serious adverse events	IG1	24	1024	129 (12.6)	1021	123 (12.0)	NR
Galantamine			IG1	24	1024	87 (8.5)	1021	66 (6.5)	NR
Galantamine	Raskind, 2000 ²⁰⁶	Adverse events	IG1	6	212	195 (92.0)	213	168 (78.9)	NR
Galantamine	Fair-Good	Adverse events	IG2	6	211	195 (92.4)	213	168 (78.9)	NR
Galantamine		Serious adverse events	IG1	6	212	NR	213	NR	NS
Galantamine		Serious adverse events	IG2	6	211	NR	213	NR	NS
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	212	49 (23.1)	213	16 (7.5)	NR
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	6	211	67 (31.8)	213	16 (7.5)	NR
Galantamine	Rockwood, 2001 ²⁰⁸		IG1	3	261	225 (86.2)	125	79 (63.2)	NR
Galantamine	Fair-Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	3	261	21 (8.0)	125	8 (6.4)	NR
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	3	261	66 (25.3)	125	5 (4.0)	NR
Galantamine	Rockwood, 2006 ²⁰⁷	Adverse events	IG1	4	64	54 (84.4)	66	41 (62.1)	NR
Galantamine	Fair	Serious adverse events	IG1	4	64	5 (7.8)	66	10 (15.2)	NR
Galantamine	Rockwood, 2006 ²⁰⁷ Fair	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	4	64		66	2 (3.0)	NR
Galantamine	Tariot, 2000 ²⁰⁹ Fair-Good	Adverse events	IG1	5	273	219 (80.2)	286	206 (72.0)	NR

Medication	Author, year Quality		Int arm	mo.	IG n at FU	(%) with event	FU	(%) with event	Between group difference, p-value
Galantamine		Adverse events		5	279	206 (73.8)		,	NR
Galantamine		Adverse events		5	140	106 (75.7)	286	206 (72.0)	NR
Galantamine		Serious adverse events	IG1	5	273	35 (12.8)	286	31 (10.8)	NR
Galantamine			IG2	5	279	28 (10.0)	286	31 (10.8)	NR
Galantamine		Serious adverse events		5	140		286		NR
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	5	273	27 (9.9)	286	20 (7.0)	NR
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	5	279	19 (6.8)	286	20 (7.0)	NR
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG3	5	140	9 (6.4)	286	20 (7.0)	NR
Galantamine	Wilcock, 2000 ²¹⁰		IG1	6	220	182 (82.7)	215	165 (76.7)	NR
Galantamine		Adverse events	IG2	6	218	194 (89.0)	215	165 (76.7)	NR
Galantamine		Serious adverse events	IG1	6	220	28 (12.7)	215	26 (12.1)	NR
Galantamine		Serious adverse events	IG2	6	218	28 (12.8)	215	26 (12.1)	NR
Galantamine			IG1	6	220	31 (14.1)	215	19 (8.8)	NR
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	6	218	48 (22.0)	215	19 (8.8)	NR
Galantamine	Wilkinson, 2001 ²¹¹	Adverse events	IG1	3	56	33 [†]	87	38 [†]	NR
Galantamine	Fair-Good	Adverse events	IG2	3	54	38 [†]	87	38 [†]	NR
Galantamine	-	Adverse events	IG3	3	88	49 [†]	87	38 [†]	NR
Galantamine	Wilkinson, 2001 ²¹¹ Fair-Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	3	56	0 (0.0)	87	3 (3.4)	NR
Galantamine		Serious adverse events	IG2	3	54	5 (9.3)	87	3 (3.4)	NR

Medication	Author, year Quality	Outcome	Int arm	mo.	IG n at FU	IG FU N (%) with event	CG n at FU	(%) with event	Between group difference, p-value
Galantamine		Serious adverse events		3	88	6 (6.8)	87		NR
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	3	56	10 (17.9)	87	8 (9.2)	NR
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	3	54	24 (44.4)	87	8 (9.2)	NR
Galantamine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG3	3	88	19 (21.6)	87	8 (9.2)	NR
Rivastigmine	Agid, 1998 ²¹² Fair-Good	Adverse events	IG1	3	133	133 [†]	133	38 [†]	NR
Rivastigmine		Adverse events	IG2	3	136	67 [†]	133	38 [†]	NR
Rivastigmine		Serious adverse events	IG1	3	133	8 (6.0)	133	2 (1.5)	NR
Rivastigmine		Serious adverse events	IG2	3	136	7 (5.1)	133	2 (1.5)	NR
Rivastigmine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	3	133	16 (12.0)	133	5 (3.8)	NR
Rivastigmine			IG2	3	136	14 (10.3)	133	5 (3.8)	NR
Rivastigmine	Ballard, 2008 ²¹³ Fair	Serious adverse events	IG1	6	363	55 (15.2)	344	38 (11.0)	NR
Rivastigmine		Withdrawals due to adverse events		6	365	49 (13.4)			NR
Rivastigmine	Corey-Bloom, 1998 ²¹⁴	Adverse events	IG1	6	231	NR	235	NR	NS
Rivastigmine	Fair-Good	Adverse events	IG2	6	233	NR	235	NR	NS
Rivastigmine			IG1	6	231	66 (28.6)	235	17 (7.2)	NR
Rivastigmine	Corey-Bloom, 1998 ²¹⁴ Fair-Good		IG2	6	233	19 (8.2)	235		NR
Rivastigmine		Adverse events	IG1	6	227	208 (91.6)	222	169 (76.1)	NR

Medication	Author, year Quality	Outcome	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG n at FU	(%) with event	FU	(%) with event	Between group difference, p-value
Rivastigmine	Feldman, 2007 ²¹⁵	Adverse events		6	228	208 (91.2)		169 (76.1)	
Rivastigmine	Fair	Serious adverse events		6	227		222	33 (14.9)	NR
Rivastigmine		Serious adverse events	IG2	6	228	40 (17.5)	222	33 (14.9)	NR
Rivastigmine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	227	24 (10.6)	222	20 (9.0)	NR
Rivastigmine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	6	228	38 (16.7)	222	20 (9.0)	NR
Rivastigmine	McKeith, 2000 ²¹⁶	Adverse events	IG1	5	59	54 (91.5)	61	46 (75.4)	NR
Rivastigmine	Fair-Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	5	59	10 (16.9)	61	8 (13.1)	NR
Rivastigmine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	5	59	7 (11.9)	61	7 (11.5)	NR
Rivastigmine	Mok, 2007 ²¹⁷ Fair	Adverse events	IG1	6	20	12 (60.0)	20	10 (50.0)	NR
Rivastigmine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	20	6 (30.0)	20	3 (15.0)	NR
Rivastigmine	Rosler, 1999 ²¹⁸ Fair-Good	Adverse events	IG1	6	242	220 (90.9)	239	172 (72.0)	NR
Rivastigmine		Adverse events	IG2	6	242	172 (71.1)	239	172 (72.0)	NR
Rivastigmine		Serious adverse events	IG1	6	242	44 (18.2)	239	43 (18.0)	NR
Rivastigmine		Serious adverse events	IG2	6	242	44 (18.2)	239	43 (18.0)	NR
Rivastigmine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	242	55 (22.7)	239	16 (6.7)	NR
Rivastigmine		Withdrawals due to adverse events		6	242	18 (7.4)	239	16 (6.7)	NR
Rivastigmine	Winblad, 2007 ²¹⁹ Fair	Serious adverse events		6	294	21 (7.1)	302	27 (8.9)	NR
Rivastigmine		Serious adverse events	IG2	6	303	36 (11.9)	302	27 (8.9)	NR

Medication	Author, year Quality	Outcome	Int arm	mo.	IG n at FU	IG FU N (%) with event	FU	(%) with event	Between group difference, p-value
Rivastigmine		Serious adverse events	IG3	6	291	23 (7.9)	302	27 (8.9)	NR
Rivastigmine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	297	24 (8.1)	302	15 (5.0)	NR
Rivastigmine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	6	303	26 (8.6)	302	15 (5.0)	NR
Rivastigmine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG3	6	293	28 (9.6)	302	15 (5.0)	NR
Memantine	Bakchine, 2008 ²²⁰	Adverse events	IG1	6	318	178 (56.0)	152	80 (52.6)	NR
Memantine	Good	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	318	28 (8.8)	152	6 (3.9)	NR
Memantine	Choi, 2011* ²²¹ Fair	Adverse events	IG1	4	88	47 (53.4)	83	42 (50.6)	NR, 0.71
Memantine		Serious adverse events	IG1	4	88	4 (4.5)	83	4 (4.8)	NR
Memantine			IG1	4	88	6 (6.8)	83	4 (4.8)	NR, 0.82
Memantine	Dysken, 2014* ²²²	Adverse events	IG1	48	155	97 (62.6)	152	89 (58.6)	NR
Memantine	Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	48	155	84 (54.2)	152	95 (62.5)	NR
Memantine	Ferris, 2007 ²²³ Fair	Adverse events	IG1	3	30	19 (63.3)	30	20 (66.7)	NR
Memantine		Serious adverse events	IG1	3	30	0 (0.0)	30	0 (0.0)	NR
Memantine	Herrmann, 2013* ²²⁴	Adverse events	IG1	6	182	138 (75.8)	187	136 (72.7)	NR
Memantine	Fair	Serious adverse events	IG1	6	182	18 (9.9)	187	11 (5.9)	NR
Memantine		due to adverse events	IG1	6	182	15 (8.2)	187	9 (4.8)	NR
Memantine	Orgogozo, 2002 ²²⁵ Fair-Good	Adverse events	IG1	6	165	125 (75.8)	156	115 (73.7)	NR
Memantine	. 3 5565	Serious adverse events	IG1	6	165	38 (23.0)	156	40 (25.6)	NR

Medication	Author, year Quality	Outcome	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG n at FU	IG FU N (%) with event	CG n at FU		Between group difference, p-value
Memantine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	165	19 (11.5)	156	20 (12.8)	NR
Memantine	Peskind, 2006 ²²⁶	Adverse events	IG1	6	201	143 (71.1)	202	149 (73.8)	NR
Memantine	Fair-Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	6	201	20 (10.0)	202	20 (9.9)	NR
Memantine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	201	19 (9.5)	202	10 (5.0)	NR, 0.09
Memantine	Peters, 2015*227 Fair	Adverse events	IG1	12	112	89 (79.5)	114	80 (70.2)	NR, 0.108
Memantine		Serious adverse events	IG1	12	112	15 (13.4)	114	15 (13.2)	NR
Memantine	Porsteinsson, 2008 ²²⁸ Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	6	217	27 (12.4)	216	30 (13.9)	NR
Memantine			IG1	6	217	13 (6.0)	216	17 (7.9)	NR
Memantine	Saxton, 2012 ²²⁹ Good		IG1	3	135	66 (48.9)	129	64 (49.6)	NR
Memantine		Serious adverse events	IG1	3	135	4 (3.0)	129	13 (10.1)	NR
Memantine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	3	136	3 (2.2)	129	4 (3.1)	NR
Memantine	Wilcock, 2002 ²³⁰ Fair-Good	Adverse events	IG1	6	295	226 (76.6)	284	212 (74.6)	NR
Memantine		Serious adverse events	IG1	6	295	37 (12.5)	284	47 (16.5)	NR
Memantine		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	295	27 (9.2)	284	20 (7.0)	NR
Memantine	Wilkinson, 2012 ²³¹	Adverse events	IG1	12	133	32 (24.1)	144	22 (15.3)	NR
Memantine	–Fair	Serious adverse events	IG1	12	133	17 (12.8)	144	20 (13.9)	NR
Memantine * Now study	Wilkinson, 2012 ²³¹ Fair		IG1	12	133	15 (11.3)	144	12 (8.3)	NR

^{*} New study † Number of events reported

Abbreviations: CG = control group; FU = followup; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; mo. = months; n (%) = number (percentage) of participants reporting events

Medication type	Intervention	Author, year Quality	cat	(range) [†]		Time, mo.	IG BL mean (SD)	at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	mean (SD)	at FU	CG FU mean (SD)		Between group difference, p- value
	Discontinuation of antihypertensive	Moonen, 2015* ²³⁵ Fair		MMSE (0-30)		4	26 [‡] (NR)	180		1.15 (0.85, 1.45) [§]	(NR)	176	NR	0.81 (0.51, 1.12) [§]	NR, 0.12
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin	Feldman, 2010 ²³⁶ Fair		ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)			22.3 (9.1)	296		0.17 (0.27) [¶]	22.5 (9.9)		NR	0.35 (0.26) [¶]	LSM change (SE)=-0.18 (0.38), 0.63
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin			ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)		6	22.3 (9.1)	263	NR	0.36 (0.34) [¶]	22.5 (9.9)	308	NR	0.79 (0.32) [¶]	LSM change (SE)=-0.42 (0.47), 0.36
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	11	22.3 (9.1)	236		3.61 (0.45) [¶]	22.5 (9.9)		NR	4.12 (0.42) [¶]	LSM change (SE)=-0.51 (0.61), 0.41
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin			ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)		18	22.3 (9.1)	202		5.98 (0.56) [¶]	22.5 (9.9)		NR	6.82 (0.52) [¶]	LSM change (SE)=-0.84 (0.76), 0.27
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	21.8 (3.2)	295		0.11 (0.16) [¶]	21.9 (3.2)	316	NR	-0.07 (0.15) [¶]	(SE)=0.17 (0.22), 0.42
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	21.8 (3.2)	263	NR	-0.28 (0.17) [¶]	21.9 (3.2)	308	NR	-0.45 (0.16) [¶]	LSM change (SE)=0.16 (0.24), 0.49
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	11	21.8 (3.2)	236	NR	-0.96 (0.22) [¶]	21.9 (3.2)	278	NR	-1.35 (0.21) [¶]	LSM change (SE)=0.39 (0.31), 0.20
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	18	21.8 (3.2)	205	NR	-1.66 (0.26) [¶]	21.9 (3.2)	234	NR	-2.18 (0.24) [¶]	LSM change (SE)=0.52 (0.35), 0.14
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin	Sano, 2011 ²³⁷ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	24.5 (9.7)	204	NR	1.89 (5.35)	23.9 (10.5)		NR	1.11 (5.32)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin	Sano, 2011 ²³⁷ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	24.5 (9.7)	204	NR	2.51 (5.61)	23.9 (10.5)	202	NR	2.32 (5.9)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	24.5 (9.7)	204	NR	5.79 (7.76)	23.9 (10.5)	202	NR	5.36 (6.95)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	18	24.5 (9.7)	204	NR	9.51 (9.48)	23.9 (10.5)	202	NR	8.18 (8.7)	NS

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HMG-CoA	Simvastatin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	20.0	204	NR	-0.52	20.7	202	NR	-0.1 (3.1)	NS
reductase							(4.5)			(2.74)	(4.9)				
inhibitor															
HMG-CoA	Simvastatin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	20.0	204	NR	-0.72	20.7	202	NR	-0.89 (3.23)	NS
reductase							(4.5)			(3.26)	(4.9)				
inhibitor															
HMG-CoA	Simvastatin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	20.0	204	NR	-2.47 (3.8)	20.7	202	NR	-2.28 (4.08)	NS
reductase							(4.5)				(4.9)				
inhibitor															
HMG-CoA	Simvastatin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	18	20.0	204	NR	-4.23	20.7	202	NR	-3.75 (4.38)	NS
reductase							(4.5)			(4.77)	(4.9)				
inhibitor															
HMG-CoA	Simvastatin	Simons,	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11	IG1	6	29.4	20	NR	4.1 (6.5)	33.2	17	NR	3.4 (7.0)	NS
reductase		2002 ²³⁸		(0-70)			(10.4)				(11.3)				
inhibitor		Fair													
HMG-CoA	Simvastatin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6		20	17.2	NR	17.1	17	14.4	NR	NR, <0.02
reductase							(5.0)		(4.8)		(4.9)		(5.6)		
inhibitor															
HMG-CoA	Atorvastatin	Sparks,	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11	IG1	3	20.6	32	20.5	NR	19.9	31	20.7	NR	NS
reductase		2005 ²³⁹		(0-70)			$(1.73)^{\P}$		(NR)		(1.73) [¶]		(NR)		
inhibitor		Fair													
HMG-CoA	Atorvastatin		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11	IG1	6	20.6	32	18.8	NR	19.9	31	22.1	NR	NR, 0.003
reductase				(0-70)			$(1.73)^{\P}$		(1.4) [¶]		(1.73) [¶]		(1.9)		
inhibitor															
HMG-CoA	Atorvastatin		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11	IG1	8			20.8	NR	19.9	31	22.8	NR	NR, 0.18
reductase				(0-70)			$(1.73)^{\P}$		(1.5) [¶]		(1.73) [¶]		(1.5) [¶]		
inhibitor															
HMG-CoA	Atorvastatin		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11	IG1	12	20.6		20.3	NR	19.9	31	23.6	NR	NR, 0.055
reductase				(0-70)			$(1.73)^{\P}$		(1.7)¶		(1.73) [¶]		(2.0)¶		
inhibitor															
HMG-CoA	Atorvastatin	Sparks,	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3		32	20.2	NR		31	20.5	NR	NS
reductase		2005 ²³⁹					$(0.61)^{\P}$		(NR)		$(0.76)^{\P}$		(NR)		
inhibitor		Fair													
HMG-CoA	Atorvastatin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	21.09	32	21.2	NR		31	19.4	NR	NR, 0.46
reductase							$(0.61)^{\P}$		(8.0)		$(0.76)^{\P}$		(1.0) [¶]		
inhibitor															
HMG-CoA	Atorvastatin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	8		32	20.7	NR		31	18.1	NR	NR, 0.41
reductase							$(0.61)^{\P}$		$(0.7)^{\P}$		$(0.76)^{\P}$		(1.1) [¶]		
inhibitor															

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HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin			MMSE (0-30)			21.09 (0.61) [¶]		20.3 (0.9)¶	NR	20.52 (0.76) [¶]	31	18.1 (1.1) [¶]	NR	NR, 0.25
NSAID	Naproxen	Aisen, 2003 ²⁴⁰ Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	24.4 (10.2)	118	30.2 (13.9)	5.8 (8.0)	24.2 (9.6)	111	29.9 (13.7)	5.7 (8.2)	MDC (SE) (95% CI)=-0.1 (1.07) (-2.24, 2.04), 0.96
NSAID	Indomethacin	de Jong, 2008 ²⁴¹ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	20.2 (8.3)	20	NR	4.8 (5.8)	19.7 (8.8)	23	NR	3.9 (4.5)	MDC (95% CI)=0.9 (-2.2, 4.1), NR
NSAID	Indomethacin		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	20.2 (8.3)	19	NR	7.8 (7.6)	19.7 (8.8)	19	NR	9.3 (10.0)	MDC (95% CI)=-1.5 (-7.5, 4.5), NR
NSAID	Indomethacin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	19.1 (4.1)	20	NR	-2.3 (3.2)	20.2 (3.9)	23	NR	-2.4 (3.6)	MDC (95% CI)=-0.1 (-2.1, 1.9), NR
NSAID	Indomethacin		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	19.1 (4.1)	19	NR	-3.4 (4.3)	20.2 (3.9)	19	NR	-5.4 (5.5)	MDC (95% CI)=-1.6 (-4.8, 1.6), NR
NSAID	Ibuprofen	Pasqualetti, 2009 ²⁴² Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	26.8 (10.6)	66	NR	-3.0 (1.3)¶	25.6 (10.7)	66	NR	-3.1 (1.3)¶	MDC (95% CI)=0.1 (-2.7, 2.9), 0.951
NSAID	Ibuprofen		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	19.7 (3.0)	66	NR	2.1 (0.5)¶	20.3 (3.8)	66	NR	2.7 (0.5)¶	MDC (95% CI)=-0.6 (-1.8, 0.5), 0.288
NSAID	Celecoxib	Soininen, 2007 ²⁴³ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	24.8 (10.7)	263	NR	0.77 [∥] (NR)	24.6 (10.1)	124	NR	0.69 (NR)	NR, 0.897
NSAID	Celecoxib	-raii	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	24.8 (10.7)	274	NR	1.64 (NR)	24.6 (10.1)	135	NR	2.15 (NR)	NR, 0.461
NSAID	Celecoxib	Soininen, 2007 ²⁴³	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	24.8 (10.7)	278	NR	4.39 ^{II} (NR)	24.6 (10.1)	135	NR	5.00 (NR)	NR, 0.541
NSAID	Celecoxib	–Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	12	NA	278	158 (56.8)#	NR	NA	135	85 (63.0)#	NR	NS
NSAID	Celecoxib		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	19.8 (4.2)	255	NR	-2.3 (NR)	19.4 (3.9)	128	NR	-2.0 (NR)	NR, 0.244

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Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2000 ²⁴⁵ -Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	25.1 (2.2)¶	17	26.9 (2.6)¶	1.8 (1.2)¶	26.8 (2.8)¶	17	27.3 (2.5)¶	0.5 (1.7)¶	MDC =1.3, >0.1
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	-raii	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (D)	IG1	4	NA	17	2 (11.8)**	NR	NA	17	5 (29.4)**	NR	NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2015* ²⁴⁴ Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	24.3 (11.0)	21	NR	-1.5 (NR)	25.8 (12.0)	21	NR		ES (95% CI)=-0.33 (- 0.66, 0.003), 0.048
Gonadal steroid				ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)			24.3 (11.0)		NR	-0.7 (NR)	25.8 (12.0)	21	NR		ES (95% CI)=-0.22 (- 0.54, 0.10), 0.18
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	9	24.3 (11.0)		NR	-1.1 (NR)	25.8 (12.0)	21	NR		ES (95% CI)=-0.21 (- 0.52, 1.10), 0.17
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	24.3 (11.0)	21	NR	3.2 (NR)	25.8 (12.0)	21	NR		ES (95% CI)=-0.03 (- 0.44, 0.39), 0.89
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	21.2 (4.9)	21	NR	-0.8 (NR)	19.4 (6.2)	21	NR		ES (95% CI)=-0.05 (- 0.44, 0.35), NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	21.2 (4.9)	21	NR	-2.5 (NR)	19.4 (6.2)	21	NR		ES (95% CI)=-0.17 (- 0.65, 0.31), NR
Gonadal steroid	Testosterone	Lu, 2006 ²⁴⁶ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	25.0 (13.2)	5	27.4 (8.4)	2.4 (5.0)	25.2 (8.9)	6	28.3 (10.3)	3.2 (7.3)	NR, 0.82
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Mulnard, 2000 ²⁴⁷	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	NR	42	NR	6.3 (8.7)	NR	39	NR	3.6 (4.7)	NR, 0.09
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Fair D	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	12	NR	39	NR	4.8 (5.4)	NR	39	NR	3.6 (4.7)	NR, 0.32
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	20.2 (4.7)	42	NR	-2.7 (3.5)	21.1 (3.3)	39	NR	-3.1 (4.1)	NR, 0.48

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Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	12	20.8 (4.2)	39	NR	-2.7 (3.9)	21.1 (3.3)	39	NR	-3.1 (4.1)	NR, 0.64
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen plus progestin	Valen- Sendstad, 2010 ²⁴⁸ Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	22.0 (4.3)	29	19.9 (4.7)	NR	21.8 (3.9)	26	19.8 (4.9)	NR	MDC (SD)=- 0.1 (3.1), 0.90
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Wang, 2000 ²⁴⁹ Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	16.1 (4.3)	25	NR	0.2 (3.3)	16.2 (4.2)	25	NR	0.2 (2.5)	NR, 0.975
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Aisen, 2008 ²⁵⁰ Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	22.43 (9.0)	234	NR	1.58 (5.61)	22.63 (8.6)	161	NR	1.51 (4.68)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	22.43 (9.0)	232	NR	2.44 (6.04)	22.63 (8.6)	156	NR	1.72 (4.74)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	22.43 (9.0)	216	NR	4.42 (6.61)	22.63 (8.6)	143	NR	4.46 (6.32)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	18	22.43 (9.0)	197	NR	7.38 (9.72)	22.63 (8.6)	136	NR	6.54 (8.17)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	20.98 (3.4)	235	NR	-0.17 (3.02)	20.91 (3.7)	164	NR	-0.67 (2.89)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	20.98 (3.4)	231	NR	-0.44 (3.19)	20.91 (3.7)	160	NR	-1.13 (3.13)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	20.98 (3.4)	215	NR	-1.64 (3.84)	20.91 (3.7)	147	NR	-1.8 (3.56)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Aisen, 2008 ²⁵⁰ Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	18	20.98 (3.4)	206	NR	-2.65 (4.56)	20.91 (3.7)	140	NR	-3.08 (4.46)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Connelly, 2008 ²⁵¹ Fair		MMSE (0-30)		6	23.48 (4.1)	23	NR	0.09 (3.3)	23.5 (2.75)	18	NR	0.22 (2.67)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Dysken, 2014* ²²² Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	18.5 (8.8)	126	NR	1.37 (0.13, 2.63) [§]	19.1 (8.4)	128	NR	3.04 ^{II} (1.81, 4.28) [§]	NR

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							(9D)	FU	(SD)	(SD) from BL	(30)	FU	(SD)	from BL	difference, p- value
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	12	18.5 (8.8)	114	NR	2.38 (0.98, 3.82) [§]	19.1 (8.4)	106	NR	4.24 (2.81, 5.70) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)		18	18.5 (8.8)	89	NR	4.33 ^{II} (2.57, 6.12) [§]	(8.4)	88	NR	6.04 ^{II} (4.25, 7.86) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	24	18.5 (8.8)	82	NR	4.32 (2.16, 6.47) [§]	19.1 (8.4)	69	NR	6.70 (4.43, 8.97) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	30	18.5 (8.8)	56	NR	7.86 (5.30,	19.1 (8.4)	48	NR	8.9 (6.20, 11.62) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)		36	18.5 (8.8)	42	NR	8.99 ^{II} (6.02, 12.00) [§]	19.1 (8.4)	35	NR	10.76 ⁱⁱ (7.58, 13.96) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	42	18.5 (8.8)	27	NR	10.34 (7.22, 13.49) [§]	19.1 (8.4)	25	NR	10.60 ⁱⁱ (7.30, 13.92) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	48	18.5 (8.8)	135	NR	5.97 (0.70) [¶]	19.1 (8.4)	137	NR	7.78" (0.70)¶	MDC (95% CI)=-1.80 (- 3.28, -0.33), 0.10
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			,		6	21.3 (3.3)	126		-0.34" (- 0.90, 0.22)§	20.8 (3.8)	128	NR	-0.34 (-0.91, 0.23) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	12	21.3 (3.3)	115	NR	-0.96 ^{II} (- 1.62, - 0.27) [§]	20.8 (3.8)	106	NR	-1.39 ^{II} (-2.08, -0.69) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	18	21.3 (3.3)	89	NR	-2.00 (- 2.86, - 1.12) [§]	20.8 (3.8)	88	NR	-2.21 (-3.09, -1.31) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	24	21.3 (3.3)	83	NR	-2.63 (- 3.65, - 1.58) [§]	20.8 (3.8)	70	NR	-2.90 (-3.99, -1.80) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Dysken, 2014* ²²² Good		MMSE (0-30)		30	21.3 (3.3)	56	NR	-3.67" (- 4.86, - 2.47) [§]	20.8 (3.8)	47	NR	-3.27 ^{II} (-4.53, -2.01) [§]	
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			MMSE (0-30)		36	21.3 (3.3)		NR	-4.98" (- 6.44, - 3.51)§	20.8 (3.8)	36	NR	-3.88 (-5.43, -2.31) [§]	
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	42	21.3 (3.3)	27	NR	-4.85" (- 6.41, - 3.28)§	20.8 (3.8)	26	NR	-4.68 (-6.29, -3.05) [§]	NR

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type		Quality	cat	(range) [†]	arm	mo.	mean (SD)		mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	mean (SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	group difference, p- value
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	48	21.3 (3.3)	136	NR	-2.97 ^{II} (0.33) [¶]	20.8 (3.8)	137	NR	-3.16 (0.33) [¶]	MDC (95% CI)=0.19 (- 0.54, 0.92), 0.84
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Freund-Levi, 2006 ²⁵³	Dem	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG1	6	25.7 (NR)	91	27.7 (NR)	NR	27.2 (NR)	87	28.3 (NR)	NR	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	23.6	91	22.8	NR	23.2	87	22.4	NR	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Kwok, 2011 ²⁵⁴ Fair	Dem	MDRS (0- 144)	IG1	24	104.2 (13.0)	59	NR	-6 ⁺⁺ (-14, -2)	103.7 (10.6)	53	NR	-6 ⁺⁺ (-15, 0)	NR, 0.841
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	24	16.5 (4.9)	59	NR	-2++ (-5, 0)	16.6 (4.6)	53	NR	-2 ⁺⁺ (-5, 0)	NR, 0.998
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	11.48 (4.4)		NR	-0.16 (4.19)	11.03 (4.2)	NR	NR	-0.13 (3.34)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Fair		ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)		12	11.48 (4.4)		NR	0.91 (4.21)	(4.2)	NR	NR	0.61 (4.10)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	18	11.48 (4.4)		NR	1.19 (4.32)	11.03 (4.2)	NR	NR	1.29 (4.71)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	24	11.48 (4.4)		NR	1.93 (5.13)	11.03 (4.2)	NR	NR	1.49 (5.07)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)			11.48 (4.4)		NR	3.01 (5.57)	(4.2)	NR	NR	2.98 (5.62)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)			11.48 (4.4)		NR	4.59 (6.54)	(4.2)	193	NR	3.74 (6.97)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)			18.04 (6.0)		NR	-0.47 (5.06)	17.40 (6.0)	NR	NR	-0.09 (4.38)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)		12	18.04 (6.0)		NR	0.27 (5.20)	(6.0)	NR	NR	0.60 (4.96)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴		ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)		18	18.04 (6.0)		NR	0.49 (5.42)	(6.0)	NR	NR	0.99 (6.07)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Fair		ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)			18.04 (6.0)		NR	1.15 (6.37)	(6.0)	NR	NR	1.02 (6.27)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG2	30	18.04 (6.0)	NR	NR	2.48 (6.68)	17.40 (6.0)	NR	NR	2.65 (7.02)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0-85)	IG2	36	18.04 (6.0)	185	NR	3.98 (7.56)	17.40 (6.0)	193	NR	3.72 (8.54)	NR

Medication type	Intervention	Author, year Quality		Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	Time, mo.	mean		IG FU mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from	CG BL mean (SD)		CG FU mean (SD)	CG mean change (SD) from BL	difference, p-
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	6	27.20 (1.9)	NR	NR	-0.53 (2.28)	27.35 (1.8)	NR	NR	-0.36 (2.02)	value NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	12	27.20 (1.9)	NR	NR	-0.54 (2.28)	27.35 (1.8)	NR	NR	-0.80 (2.34)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	18	27.20 (1.9)	NR	NR	-0.96 (2.61)	27.35 (1.8)	NR	NR	-1.02 (2.61)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			,		24	27.20 (1.9)	NR		-1.21 (2.78)	27.35 (1.8)	NR	NR	-1.49 (2.90)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			, ,		30	27.20 (1.9)	NR		-1.75 (3.09)	27.35 (1.8)		NR	-1.77 (3.24)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			, ,		36	27.20 (1.9)	185		-2.20 (3.64)	27.35 (1.8)		NR	-2.75 (4.04)	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Quinn, 2010 ²⁵⁶		ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)		6	(8.9)	215		2.7 (1.8, 3.3)§	23.96 (9.2)		NR	3.1 (2.0, 3.9)§	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty	Fair		ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70) ADAS-Cog 11		12 18	23.77 (8.9) 23.77	190 173		4.0 (3.0, 5.0) [§] 7.98 (6.51,	23.96 (9.2) 23.96	139 127	NR NR	5.5 (4.4, 6.7) [§] 8.27 (6.72,	NR MDC (95%
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids		Dem	(0-70)	IGT		(8.9)	173	INK	9.45)§	(9.2)	127	NK	9.82)§	NDC (95% CI)=NR (NR, NR), 0.41
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids				IG1		20.9 (3.6)	173	NR	-3.70 (- 4.44, - 2.96)§	20.3 (3.7)		NR	-4.04 (-4.85, -3.23)§	MDC (95% CI)=NR (NR, NR), 0.88
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Sano, 1997 ²⁵⁷		ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)		24	NR		NR	8.3 (NR)	NR	84	NR	6.7 (NR)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Good		MMSE (0-30)		24	11.3 (5.7)		NR	-4.6 (NR)	13.3 (4.9)	84	NR	-4.6 (NR)	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Shinto, 2014* ²⁵⁸		ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)			31.8 (9.4)¶		NR	4.4 (2.2)¶	32.2 (9.5)¶	11	NR	3.2 (2.1)¶	NR, 0.86
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Fair		ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	12	29.0 (7.1)¶	12	NR	2.8 (2.0)¶	32.2 (9.5)¶	11	NR	3.2 (2.1)¶	NR, 0.98
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Shinto, 2014* ²⁵⁸	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	20.7 (2.7)¶		NR	-1.63 (0.97) [¶]	22.2 (3.1) [¶]	11	NR	-1.59 (1.09)¶	,
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Fair		, ,	IG1	12	20.7 (2.7) [¶]		NR	-4.3 (1.3)¶	22.2 (3.1) [¶]	11	NR	-4.6 (1.4)¶	NR, 0.80
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids				IG2		22.5 (3.0)¶		NR	0.83 (0.80)¶	22.2 (3.1) [¶]	11	NR	-1.59 (1.09)¶	
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids		Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	12	22.5 (3.0)¶	12	NR	-1.0 (0.7)¶	22.2 (3.1) [¶]	11	NR	-4.6 (1.4)¶	NR, <0.01

Medication type	Intervention	Author, year Quality	_			,	mean	at	mean	change	mean	at	mean	change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p- value
Dietary supplement	Multivitamin	Sun, 2007 ²⁶⁰ Fair		ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	24.0 (12.3)	45	NR	0.67 (- 2.33, 3.69)§	21.2 (10.5)	44	NR	-0.9 (-2.77, 0.85)§	NR, 0.34
Dietary supplement	Multivitamin	Sun, 2007 ²⁶⁰ Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	18.7 (4.6)	45	NR	0.15 (- 1.06, 1.35) [§]	18.6 (5.3)	44	NR	0.41 (-1.12, 1.93)§	NR, 0.79
	Omega-3 fatty acids	Yurko- Mauro, 2010 ²⁶¹ Good	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	28.3 (1.3)		28.0 (1.9)	-0.4 (0.12) [¶]	28.2 (1.3)	242	27.9 (1.9)	-0.3 (0.11) [¶]	MDC (SE)=0 (0.15), 0.866

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: ADAS-Cog 11 = Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; 11-item; ADAS-Cog 13 = Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; 13-item; BL = baseline; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; D = results are dichotomized; Dem = dementia; ES = effect size; FU = followup; HMG-CoA = β-Hydroxy β-methylglutaryl-CoA; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; LSM = least squares mean; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MDC = mean difference in change; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; mo. = months; Pop cat = population category; NR = not reported; NS = Not statistically significant; NSAID = Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drug; SD = standard deviation; SE = standard error

[†] Higher scores indicate better outcomes for all instruments except for ADAS-Cog 11 and ADAS-Cog 13 where lower scores indicate better outcomes

[†] Median

^{§ 95%} CI

Least squares mean change

[¶] Standard error

[#] Number (%) of participants who demonstrated deterioration (≥4 point increase) on ADAS-Cog 11

^{**} Number (%) of participants who improved by ≥4 points (decreasing) on ADAS-Cog 11

^{††} Median change (IQR)

type	Medication	Author, year Quality	cat	Instrument (range) [*]	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG BL mean (SD)	at FU	IG FU Imean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)	at FU	CG FU mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin	Feldman, 2010 ²³⁶ Fair			IG1	11	5.7 (2.4)	272	NR	1.34 [§] (0.14) [‡]	5.9 (2.5)	296	NR	1.35 [§] (0.13) [‡]	LSM change (SE)=-0.01 (0.19), 0.96
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin			,	IG1	18	5.7 (2.4)	208	NR	(0.18)‡	5.9 (2.5)		NR	2.11 [§] (0.17) [‡]	LSM change (SE)=-0.12 (0.25), 0.63
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	3	NR	293	4.2 [†] (0.04) [‡]	NR	NR	310	4.2 [†] (0.04) [‡]	NR	MD (SE)=0.010 (0.058), 0.8654
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	NR	258	4.3 [†] (0.06) [‡]	NR	NR	306	4.4 [†] (0.03) [‡]	NR	MD (SE)=0.032 (0.073), 0.6578
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	9	NR	244	4.6 [†] (0.07) [‡]	NR	NR	283	4.6 [†] (0.06) [‡]	NR	MD (SE)=-0.021 (0.081), 0.7937
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	12	NR	233	4.8 [†] (0.07) [‡]	NR	NR	272	4.8 [†] (0.07) [‡]	NR	MD (SE)=-0.034 (0.083), 0.6817
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	15	NR	222	4.9 [†] (0.06) [‡]	NR	NR	264	5.0 [†] (0.07) [‡]	NR	MD (SE)=0.019 (0.090), 0.8363
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	18	NR	297	4.9 [†] (0.06) [‡]	NR	NR	317	5.1 [†] (0.07) [‡]	NR	MD (SE)=0.160 (0.086), 0.628
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin	Sparks, 2005 ²³⁹ Fair	Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	3	NR	32	NR	-0.36 (NR)	NR	31	NR	-0.40 (NR)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	NR	29	NR	-0.53 (NR)	NR	27	NR	-0.68 (NR)	NR, 0.62
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	8	NR	26	NR	-0.57 (0.16) [‡]	NR	22	NR	-0.90 (0.14) [‡]	NR, 0.058
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	12	NR	25	NR	-0.73 (0.20) [‡]	NR	21	NR	-1.04 (0.15) [‡]	NR, 0.07
NSAID	Naproxen	Aisen, 2003 ²⁴ Good	Dem	CDR-SB (0-18)	IG1	12	6.0 (2.9)	118	8.3 (4.0)	2.3 (2.3)	5.5 (2.5)	111	7.7 (3.9)	2.2 (2.3)	NR, 0.89

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NSAID	Indomethacin	de Jong, 2008 ²⁴¹ Fair	Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	NR	20	5.1 (0.8)	NR	NR	23	5.3 (0.7)NR	MD (95% CI)=- 0.2 (-0.6, 0.2), NS
NSAID	Indomethacin		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	12	NR	19	5.6 (0.8)	NR	NR	19	5.7 (0.7)NR	MD (95% CI)=- 0.1 (-0.5, 0.3), NS
NSAID	lbuprofen	Pasqualetti, 2009 ²⁴² Fair	Dem	CDR-SB (0-18)	IG1	12	4.5 (2.0)	66	NR	-1.7 (0.3) [‡]	4.4 (2.1)	66	NR	-1.3 (0.4) [‡]	MDC (95% CI)=- 0.4 (-1.2, 0.4), 0.324
NSAID	lbuprofen		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	12	NR	66	4.0 (0.2)‡	NR	NR	66	3.9 (0.2) [‡]	NR	MD (95% CI)=0.1 (-0.4, 0.5), 0.741
NSAID	Celecoxib	Soininen, 2007 ²⁴³ Fair	Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	3	NR	261	4.25 [†] (NR)	NR	NR	122	4.30 [†] (NR)	NR	NR, 0.571
NSAID	Celecoxib	-rair	Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	NR	276	4.51 [†] (NR)	NR	NR	135	4.40 [†] (NR)	NR	NR, 0.277
NSAID	Celecoxib	1	Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	12	NR	279	4.92 [†] (NR)	NR	NR	135	4.83 [†] (NR)	NR	NR, 0.446
NSAID	Celecoxib	1	Dem	CIBIC+ (D)	IG1	12	NA	278	201 (72.0)	NR	NA	135	99 (73.3)	NR	NS
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2000 ²⁴⁵	Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	4	NR	18	4.2 (0.2)‡	NR	NR	18	4.2 (0.1) [‡]	NR	MD=-0.1, >0.1
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	-Fair	Dem	CIBIC+ (D)	IG1	4	NA	18	13 (72.2)¶	NR	NA	18	14 (77.8)¶	NR	NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2015 ^{244#} Good	Dem	CDR (0-3)	IG1	6	1.0 (0.5)	21	NR	0.2 (NR)	1.2 (0.6)	21	NR	0.2 (NR)	ES (95% CI)=0.08 (-0.57, 0.74), NS
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	CDR (0-3)	IG1	12	1.0 (0.5)	21	NR	0.5 (NR)	1.2 (0.6)	21	NR	0.3 (NR)	ES (95% CI)=0.30 (-0.56, 1.16), NS
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	CDR-SB (0-18)	IG1	6	5.5 (3.0)	21	NR	0.8 (NR)	6.8 (3.1)	21	NR	1.0 (NR)	ES (95% CI)=- 0.07 (-0.58, 0.44), NS
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	1	Dem	CDR-SB (0-18)	IG1	12	5.5 (3.0)	21	NR	2.6 (NR)	6.8 (3.1)	21	NR	2.0 (NR)	ES (95% CI)=0.18 (-0.39, 0.75), NS
Gonadal steroid	Testosterone	Lu, 2006 ²⁴⁶ Fair	Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	6	NR	6	4.7 (0.49)	NR	NR	9	5.0 (0.49)	NR	NR, 0.30

Medication type		Quality	cat	Instrument (range)*	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG BL mean (SD)	at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Mulnard, 2000 ²⁴⁷	Dem	CDR (0-5)	IG1	12	1.2 (0.5)	42	NR	0.4 (0.7)	1.0 (0.5)	39	NR	0.2 (0.4)	NR, 0.03
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Fair	Dem	CDR (0-5)	IG2	12	1.1 (0.5)	39	NR	0.5 (0.6)	1.0 (0.5)	39	NR	0.2 (0.4)	NR, 0.01
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-5)	IG2	12	NR	39	5.2 (0.9)	NR	NR	39	5.0 (1.1)	NR	NR, 0.36
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	12	NR	42	5.1 (0.9)	NR	NR	39	5.0 (1.1)	NR	NR, 0.66
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	CIBIC+ (D)	IG1	12	NA	42	33 (78.6) ^{II}	NR	NA	39	28 (72.0)	NR	NR, 0.73
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	CIBIC+ (D)	IG2	12	NA	39	31 (79.5) ^{II}	NR	NA	39	28 (72.0)	NR	NR, 0.73
	Estrogen plus progestin	Valen- Sendstad, 2010 ²⁴⁸ Fair	Dem	GDS (1-7)	IG1	12	4.2 (0.6)	29	5.1 (0.7)	NR	4.4 (0.6)	26	5.0 (0.7)	NR	MDC (SD)=0.1 (0.6), 0.43
Gonadal steroid		Wang, 2000 ²⁴⁹	Dem	CDR (0-3)	IG1	3	1.3 (0.5)	25	NR	0.0 (0.4)	1.2 (0.4)	25	NR	0.1 (0.4)	NR, 0.366
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Fair	Dem	CIBIC+ (1-7)	IG1	3	NR	25	NR	-0.2 (1.0)	NR	25	NR	-0.2 (0.8)	NR, 0.944
supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	CDR-SB (0-18)	IG1	6	5.61 (2.7)	231	0.69 (1.67)	NR	5.85 (2.9)	159	0.79 (2.9)	NR	NR, 0.57
supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	CDR-SB (0-18)	IG1	12	5.61 (2.7)	214	1.5 (1.92)	NR	5.85 (2.9)	144	1.6 (2.12)	NR	NR, 0.57
supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	CDR-SB (0-18)	IG1	18	5.61 (2.7)	200	2.58 (2.45)	NR	5.85 (2.9)	139	2.51 (2.57)	NR	NR, 0.57
Supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Connelly, 2008 ²⁵¹ Fair	Dem	NR	IG1	6	NA	28	20 (71.4)**	NR	NA	21	8 (38.1)**	NR	NR, 0.02
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	2006 ²⁵³	Dem	CDR (0-3)	IG1	6	1.0 (NR)	91	1.1 (NR)	NR	1.1 (NR)	87	1.1 (NR)	NR	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Fair	Dem	CDR-SB (0-18)	IG1	6	5.8 (NR)	91	6.2 (NR)	NR	6.0 (NR)	87	6.5 (NR)	NR	NR

Medication type		Quality	cat	. 3,	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG BL mean (SD)	at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	BL	mean (SD)	at FU	CG FU mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	
Dietary supplement		Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴		,	IG2	6	1.78 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.17 (0.70)	1.87 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.14 (0.86)	NR
supplement		Fair		,	IG2	12	1.78 (0.8)		NR	0.51 (1.21)	1.87 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.40 (1.28)	NR
supplement	Vitamin E			,	IG2	18	1.78 (0.8)	NR	NR	0.75 (1.44)	, ,		NR	0.72 (1.55)	
supplement	Vitamin E			,	IG2	24	1.78 (0.8)	NR	NR	1.02 (1.76)	, ,		NR	0.97 (1.76)	
supplement	Vitamin E			,	IG2	30	1.78 (0.8)	NR	NR	1.26 (1.89)	1.87 (0.8)	NR	NR	1.26 (2.15)	NR
supplement	Vitamin E			,	IG2	36	1.78 (0.8)	185	NR	1.67 (2.18)	, ,		NR	1.64 (2.55)	
supplement	Vitamin E			GDS (1-7)	IG2	6	2.64 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.11 (0.49)	, ,		NR	0.07 (0.53)	
supplement	Vitamin E			GDS (1-7)	IG2	12	2.64 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.21 (0.61)	, ,		NR	0.15 (0.65)	
supplement	Vitamin E			GDS (1-7)	IG2	18	2.64 (0.6)		NR	0.27 (0.73)	, ,		NR	0.27 (0.73)	
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			GDS (1-7)	IG2	24	2.64 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.42 (0.80)	2.72 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.38 (0.81)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		MCI	GDS (1-7)	IG2	30	2.64 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.51 (0.85)	2.72 (0.6)	NR	NR	0.48 (0.87)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		MCI	GDS (1-7)	IG2	36	2.64 (0.6)	185	NR	0.64 (0.96)	, ,	193	NR	0.56 (0.99)	
supplement		2010 ²⁵⁶		, ,	IG1	6	5.61 (2.62)		NR	1.2 (0.9, 1.5) ^{††}	5.77 (2.61)		NR	1.1 (0.8, 1.4) ^{††}	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Fair	Dem	CDR-SB (0-18)	IG1	12	5.61 (2.62)		NR	1.8 (1.5, 2.1) ^{††}	5.77 (2.61)		NR	2.0 (1.6, 2.4) ^{††}	NR
supplement				,	IG1	18	5.61 (2.62)		NR	3.30)††	5.77 (2.61)		NR	2.93 (2.44, 3.42) ^{††}	
supplement		Sano, 1997 ²⁵⁷ Good		, ,	IG1	24	NA	85	41 (48.2) ^{‡‡}	NR	NA	84	43 (51.2) ^{‡‡}	NR	NS

^{*} Lower scores indicate better outcomes for all instruments

[†] Least squares mean

[‡] Standard error

[§] Least squares mean change

Number (%) of participants demonstrating functional deterioration (CIBIC + score 5-7)

[¶] Number (%) of participants demonstrating minimal, moderate, or marked improvement (CIBIC+ score ≤3)

[#] New study

** Number (%) of participants who improved or had no deterioration in MMSE score, as well as evidence of global function improvement on the basis of behavioral and/or functional assessment

†† 95% CI

‡‡ Number (%) of participants receiving a score of 3 on the CDR

Abbreviations: BL = baseline; CDR = Clinical Dementia Rating Scale; CDR-SB = Clinical Dementia Rating Scale Sum of Boxes; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; CIBIC+ = Clinician's Interview-Based Impression of Change with caregiver's input; D = dichotomized; Dem = dementia; ES = effect size; FU = followup; GDS = Global Deterioration Scale; HMG-CoA = β-Hydroxy β-methylglutaryl-CoA; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; LSM = least squares mean; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MD = mean difference; MDC = mean difference in change; mo. = months; Pop cat = population category; NA = not applicable; NR = not reported; NS = not statistically significant; NSAID = Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drug; SD = standard deviation; SE = standard error

Medication type	Medication	Author, year Quality		ADL or ADL, (Instrument, range, direction)	Int arm	Time, mo.	mean	at	mean	change (SD)			FU	change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p-value
Antihypertensive	Discontinuation of antihypertensive	Moonen, 2015* ²³⁵ Fair	MCI	ADL/IADL (GARS, 18-72, ↓)	IG1	4	23 [†] (NR)	180		-0.77 (-1.33, -0.20) [‡]	22 [†] (NR)	176	NR	-0.05 (-0.62, 0.52) [‡]	NR, 0.08
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin	Feldman, 2010 ²³⁶ Fair	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADFACS, 0-54, ↓)		6	13.2 (8.9)	285	NR	2.51 [§] (0.30) ^{II}	13.1 (8.5)	311	NR	2.06 [§] (0.29) ^{II}	LSM change (SE)=0.45 (0.41), 0.27
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin			ADL/IADL (ADFACS, 0-54, ↓)		11	(8.9)	233			(8.5)	279		4.55 [§] (0.40)	LSM change (SE)=0.40 (0.58), 0.49
reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin			ADL/IADL (ADFACS, 0-54, ↓)		18	(8.9)	214		7.36 [§] (0.54) ^{II}	(8.5)	256		6.91 [§] (0.50) ^{II}	LSM change (SE)=0.45 (0.74), 0.54
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin	Sano, 2011 ²³⁷ Fair		ADL (ADCS-ADL, 0-27, ↓)	IG1	3	67.2 (10.0)	204	NR	-1.54 (7.44)	68.6 (10.4)	202	NR	-1.2 (6.09)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Dem	ADL (ADCS-ADL, 0-27, ↓)	IG1	6	67.2 (10.0)	204	NR	-3.66 (8.18)	68.6 (10.4)	202	NR	-3.95 (8.42)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Dem	ADL (ADCS-ADL, 0-27, ↓)	IG1	12	67.2 (10.0)	204	NR	-7.45 (10.18)	68.6 (10.4)	202	NR	-6.21 (10.94)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Dem	ADL (Dependency Scale, 0-5, ↓)	IG1	3	5.2 (2.3)	204	NR	-0.04 (0.85)	4.9 (2.3)	202	NR	-0.15 (0.87)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Dem	ADL (Dependency Scale, 0-5, ↓)	IG1	6	5.2 (2.3)	204	NR	-0.1 (1.04)	4.9 (2.3)	202	NR	-0.21 (0.83)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Dem	ADL (Dependency Scale, 0-5, ↓)	IG1	12	5.2 (2.3)	204	NR	-0.26 (1.02)	4.9 (2.3)	202	NR	-0.36 (0.96)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin			ADL (Dependency Scale, 0-5, ↓)	IG1	18	5.2 (2.3)	204	NR	-0.48 (1.09)	4.9 (2.3)	202	NR	-0.53 (1.1)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin	Sano, 2011 ²³⁷ Fair	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	18	67.2 (10.0)	204		-10.47 (13.37)	68.6 (10.4)	202	NR	-9.62 (13.86)	NS

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				range, direction)			(SD)	FU	(20)	from BL	mean (SD)	FU	mean (SD)		difference, p-value
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin	Sparks, 2005 ²³⁹ Fair	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	38.8 (1.93) ^l		37.2 (2.10)	NR	(1.85) ^{II}		33.6 (2.35)	NR	NR, 0.263
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)		12	38.8 (1.93) ^l		31.2 (2.25) ^{II}	NR	41.2 (1.85) ^{ll}	NR	27.6 (2.33)	NR	NR, 0.226
NSAID	Naproxen	Aisen, 2003 ²⁴⁰ Good	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	12	60.0 (13.1)	118	51.3 (16.3)	-8.7 (10.5)	62.8 (11.4)	111	51.3 (16.3)	-11.5 (11.2)	NR, 0.14
NSAID	Ibuprofen	Pasqualetti, 2009 ²⁴² Fair		ADL (Katz Index, 0-6, ↑)	IG1	12	NR	66	ŇR	-0.5 (0.2)	NR	66	ŇR		MDC (95% CI)=-0.1 (- 0.6, 0.4), 0.756
NSAID	lbuprofen	Pasqualetti, 2009 ²⁴² Fair	Dem	IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-8,	IG1	12	NR	66	NR	-0.5 (0.2)	NR	66	NR	, ,	MDC (95% CI)=0.2 (- 0.3, 0.6), 0.483
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2000 ²⁴⁵ Fair	Dem	IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-54, ↑)	IG1	4	14.7 (2.0)	18	17.6 (2.6)	2.9 (1.1)	13.2 (2.0)	18	16.1 (2.3)	2.9 (1.5)	MDC=0.0, >0.1
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2015* ²⁴⁴ Good	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	63.5 (12.4)	21	NR	-6.9 (NR)	58.3 (14.8)	21	NR		ES (95% CI)=-0.48 (- 0.82, -0.15), 0.006
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	12	63.5 (12.4)	21	NR	-9.1 (NR)	58.3 (14.8)	21	NR	, ,	ES (95% CI)=-0.34 (- 0.84, 0.18), NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Mulnard, 2000 ²⁴⁷	Dem	ADL (Dependency Scale, 0-5, ↓)	IG1	12	NR	42	NR	0.4 (0.8)	NR	39	NR	0.4 (1.1)	NR, 0.59
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Fair	Dem	ADL (Dependency Scale, 0-5, ↓)	IG2	12	NR	39	NR	0.5 (1.0)	NR	39	NR	0.4 (1.1)	NR, 0.21
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen plus progestin	Valen- Sendstad, 2010 ²⁴⁸ Fair	Dem	ADL (Barthel Index, 0-20, ↑)	IG1	12	19.4 (1.2)	29	18.5 (3.1)	NR	19.2 (1.2)	26	19.1 (1.3)		MDC (SD)=-0.5 (1.8), 0.36
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Aisen, 2008 ²⁵⁰ Good	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	61.31 (11.6)	231	NR	-3.28 (7.99)	59.66 (12.9)	160	NR	-2.86 (7.8)	NR

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Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	12	61.31 (11.6)	220	NR	-7.38 (9.97)	59.66 (12.9)	147	NR	-7.82 (10.0)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	18	61.31 (11.6)			-10.96 (12.36)	59.66 (12.9)	140	NR	-10.0 (11.09)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Connelly, 2008 ²⁵¹ Fair	Dem	IADL (NOSGER IADL subscale, 5- 25, ↓)	IG1	6	18.7 (4.61)	23	NR	0.61 (3.6)	18.22 (4.28)	18	NR	-2.06 (4.17)	NR, 0.03
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Dysken, 2014* ²²²		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78)	IG2	6	56.6 (14.9)	134		-1.73 [§] (-3.61, 0.15) [‡]	56.8 (13.7)	135	NR	-4.54§ (-6.42, -2.68)‡	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Good	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78)	IG2	12		122	NR	-4.30 [§] (-6.69, -1.94) [‡]	56.8 (13.7)	112	NR	-8.14 [§] (-10.5, -5.73) [‡]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG2	18		103	NR	-8.03 [§] (-10.7, -5.25) [‡]		96	NR	-10.2 [§] (-13.0, -7.40) [‡]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG2	24		88	NR	-11.9 [§] (-15.2, -8.64) [‡]		77	NR	-16.2 [§] (-19.6, -12.8) [‡]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)		30	(14.9)		NR	-15.9 [§] (-19.7, -12.0) [‡]	(13.7)		NR	-19.7 [§] (-23.7, -15.6) [‡]	
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG2	36	56.6 (14.9)	51	NR	-19.7 [§] (-24.3, -15.1) [‡]	56.8 (13.7)	41	NR	-24.8 [§] (-29.7, -19.9) [‡]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG2	42	56.6 (14.9)	39	NR	-25.2§ (-30.3, -20.3)‡	56.8 (13.7)	33	NR	-28.1 [§] (-33.5, -22.7) [‡]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)		48	56.6 (14.9)	140		-13.81 [§] (1.11)	(13.7)	140	NR	-16.96 [§] (1.11)	MDC (95% CI)=3.15 (0.92, 5.39), 0.03
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Freund-Levi, 2006 ²⁵³ Fair	Dem	ADL/IADL (DAD, 0-46, ↑)	IG1	6	33.5 (NR)	89	31.8 (NR)	NR	33.1 (NR)	85	30.5 (NR)	NR	NR, 0.34
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴	MCI	IADL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)	IG2	6	45.82 (4.6)	NR	NR	-0.34 (4.29)	45.87 (5.2)	NR	NR	-1.06 (4.54)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Fair	MCI	IADL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)	IG2	12	45.82 (4.6)	NR	NR	-1.08 (4.90)		NR	NR	-1.44 (5.00)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			IADL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)	IG2	18	45.82 (4.6)	NR	NR	-2.13 (5.76)	45.87 (5.2)	NR	NR	-2.34 (6.02)	NR

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				range, direction)			(SD)	FU	(SD)	from BL	mean (SD)	FU	mean (SD)	from BL	difference, p-value
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴	MCI	IADL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)	IG2	24	45.82 (4.6)	NR	NR	-2.84 (6.16)	45.87 (5.2)	NR	NR	-3.43 (6.73)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Fair		IADL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)		30	45.82 (4.6)			, ,	(5.2)	NR		-5.00 (8.05)	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E			IADL (ADCS-MCI- ADL, 0-53, ↑)			45.82 (4.6)			, ,	(5.2)	193		-6.39 (8.99)	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Phillips, 2015* ²⁵⁵ Fair	MCI + Dem	ADL/IADL (Bristol ADL, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	4	2.62 (5.28)	37	3.35 (7.10)	NR	4.72 (7.34)	39	5.38 (8.07)	NR	NR, 0.595
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Quinn, 2010 ²⁵⁶ Fair		0-27,`↓)		6	NR	219		-4.5 (-5.8, - 3.4) [‡]	NR		NR	-3.2 (-4.6, - 2.0) [‡]	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids			0-27,`↓)	IG1	12	NR	192		-6.4 (-8.0, - 5.2) [‡]	NR		NR	-6.7 (-8.3, - 5.1) [‡]	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids			0-27,`↓)	IG1	18	NR	178		-11.51 (- 13.45, - 9.57)‡	NR	130	NR	-10.43 (- 12.45, - 8.41)‡	NR, 0.38
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Sano, 1997 ²⁵⁷ Good	Dem	ADL (Dependency Scale, D)	IG1	24	NA	85	65 (76.5) ¶	NR	NA	84	72 (85.7) ¶	NR	NR, 0.039
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Shinto, 2014* ²⁵⁸	Dem	ADL (ADCS-ADL, 0-27, ↓)	IG1	12	2.2 (0.3)	11	NR	2.5 (1.0)	3.3 (1.0)	11	NR	2.9 (0.7)	NR, 0.82
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 and LA	Fair	Dem	ADL (ADCS-ADL, 0-27, ↓)	IG2	12	1.5 (0.6)	12	NR	1.3 (0.8)	3.3 (1.0)	11	NR	2.9 (0.7)	NR, 0.15
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids		Dem	IADL (ADCS-ADL, 0-14, ↓)	IG1	6	10.8 (1.1)	11	NR	1.29 (0.75)	10.0 (1.8)	11	NR	1.53 (0.75)	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids			IADL (ADCS-ADL, 0-14, ↓)		12	10.8 (1.1)			0.7 (1.0)	(1.8)		NR	4.2 (0.9)	NR, <0.01
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 and LA			IADL (ADCS-ADL, 0-14, ↓)		6	6.8 (1.9)		NR	1.51 (0.6) ^{II}	(1.8) ^{II}		NR	1.53 (0.6)	NR, NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 and LA			IADL (ADCS-ADL, 0-14, ↓)		12	6.8 (1.9)		NR	0.9 (1.1)	(1.8) [∥]			4.2 (1.1)	NR, 0.01
Dietary supplement	Multivitamin	Sun, 2007 ²⁶⁰ Fair		ADL (Barthel Index, 0-6, ↑)	IG1	24	NR		NR	0.36) [‡]		44	NR	-0.19 (-0.57, 0.20) [‡]	·
Dietary supplement	Multivitamin			IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-8, ↑)	IG1	6	NR	45	NR	0.04 (-1.01, 1.08) [‡]	NR	44	NR	0.04 (-0.41, 0.33) [‡]	NR, 0.89
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Yurko-Mauro, 2010 ²⁶¹ Good	MCI	ADL (ADCS-ADL, 0-27, ↓)	IG1	6	NR	241	NR	-2.0 (0.3)	NR	242	NR	-1.7 (0.3)	NR, <0.59

- * New study
- † Median
- ± 95% CI
- § Least squares mean change
- | Standard error
- ¶ Number (%) of patients receiving a higher score on Dependence Scale at followup

Abbreviations: ADL = Activities of Daily Living; ADCS-ADL = Alzheimer's Disease Cooperative Study Activities of Daily Living 23 items; ADFACS = Alzheimer's Disease Functional Assessment and Change Scale; BL = baseline; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; D = dichotomized; DAD = Disability Assessment for Dementia; Dem = dementia; ES = effect size; FU = followup; GARS = Groningen Activity Restriction Scale; HMG-CoA = β-Hydroxy β-methylglutaryl-CoA; IADL = Instrumental Activities of Daily Living; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; Katz Index = Katz Index of Independence in Activities of Daily Living; LSM = least squares mean; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MDC = mean difference in change; mo. = months; n = number of participants analyzed; NOSGER = Nurses' Observation Scale for Geriatric Patients scale; NA = not applicable; NR = not reported; NS = Not statistically significant; NSAID = Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drug; Pop cat = population category; SD = standard deviation; SE = standard error

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Antihypertensive	Discontinuation of antihypertensive			Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	4	1 [‡] (NR)			-0.05 (- 0.29, 0.19)§	1 [‡] (NR)		NR	-0.19 (- 0.43, 0.05)§	NR, 0.41
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin	Feldman, 2010 ²³⁶ Fair		NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)		6	9.7 (11.5)	285		(0.52)¶	(10.3)	309	NR	0.42 (0.50)¶	LSM change (SE)=0.59 (0.72), 0.41
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin			NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)		11	9.7 (11.5)	231		1.03 (0.66)¶	(10.3)		NR	1.89 (0.61)¶	LSM change (SE)=-0.86 (0.90), 0.34
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	18	9.7 (11.5)	215		2.15 (0.88) [¶]	9.6 (10.3)	255	NR	3.25 (0.81) [¶]	LSM change (SE)=-1.1 (1.20), 0.36
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin	Sano, 2011 ²⁵⁷ Fair		NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)		3	9.2 (10.5)	204	NR	-0.64 (8.61)	, , ,		NR	0.21 (8.02)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	6	9.2 (10.5)	204	NR	-0.09 (9.61)	7.8 (8.3)	202	NR	1.26 (9.16)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	12	9.2 (10.5)	204	NR	1.95 (10.64)	7.8 (8.3)	202	NR	3.60 (10.38)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	18	9.2 (10.5)	204	NR	3.21 (12.71)	7.8 (8.3)	202	NR	3.78 (10.73)	NS
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin	Sparks, 2005 ²³⁹ Fair		Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	12	5.25 (0.69)¶	25	3.75 (1.91)¶	NR	6.61 (0.88)¶	21	8.16 (1.76)¶	NR	NR, 0.04
NSAID	Naproxen	Aisen, 2003 ²⁴⁰ Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	12	9.4 (9.6)	118	13.1 (14.4)	3.7 (12.5)	8.7 (10.6)	111	12.2 (12.8)	3.4 (11.9)	NR, 0.76
NSAID	Indomethacin	de Jong, 2008 ²⁴¹ Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0- 120)	IG1	6	11.2 (12.0)	20	NR	1.7 (14.0)	7.1 (6.7)	23	NR	-0.3 (4.9)	MDC (95% CI)=3.6 (-2.9, 10.1), NR
NSAID	Indomethacin		Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0- 120)	IG1	12	11.2 (12.0)	19	NR	3.2 (18.1)	7.1 (6.7)	19	NR	9.4 (14.0)	MDC (95% CI)=-4.6 (- 15.8, 6.6), NR
NSAID	Ibuprofen	Pasqualetti, 2009 ²⁴² Fair		Dep (GDS, 0- 30)	IG1	12	NR	66	NR	0.2 (0.5)¶	NR	66	NR	-0.1 (0.5)¶	MDC (95% CI)=0.4 (-0.8, 1.5), 0.545

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NSAID	Ibuprofen		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	12	NR	66	NR	-2.2 (2.0)¶	NR	66	NR	-1.3 (2.2)¶	MDC (95% CI)=-0.9 (-5.3, 3.4), 0.669
NSAID	Celecoxib	Soininen, 2007 ²⁴³	Dem	NPS (BEHAVE- AD1, 0-75)	IG1	3	4.6 (4.8)	266	NR	0.25 (NR)	5.0 (5.5)	124	NR	0.30 (NR)	NR, 0.897
NSAID	Celecoxib	Fair	Dem	NPS (BEHAVE- AD1, 0-75)	IG1	6	4.6 (4.8)	275	NR	1.01 (NR)	5.0 (5.5)		NR	0.28 ^{II} (NR)	NR, 0.122
NSAID	Celecoxib		Dem	NPS (BEHAVE- AD1, 0-75)	IG1	12	4.6 (4.8)	276	NR	1.46 ^{II} (NR)	5.0 (5.5)	135	NR	1.18 ^{II} (NR)	NR, 0.655
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2000 ²⁴⁵	Dem	Dep (MADRS, 0-60)	IG1	4	9.7 (2.0)¶	18	9.8 (1.8)¶	0.2 (1.6)¶	10.9 (2.1)¶	18	12.0 (2.1)¶	1.1 (1.4)¶	MDC=-0.9, >0.1
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Fair		Dep (GDS, 0- 30)	IG1	4	17.8 (1.4)¶		16.4 (1.9)¶	-1.4 (1.4)¶	16.5 (1.8)¶	18	15.8 (1.9)¶	-0.7 (1.2)¶	MDC=-0.7, >0.1
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2015* ²⁴⁴ Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0- 120)	IG1	6	5.2 (6.6)	21	NR	0.7 (NR)	5.8 (7.8)	21	NR	3.1 (NR)	ES (95% CI): -0.35 (-1.04, 0.35), NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0- 120)	IG1	12	5.2 (6.6)	21	NR	2.3 (NR)	5.8 (7.8)	21	NR	2.5 (NR)	ES (95% CI): -0.02 (-0.70, 0.65), NR
Gonadal steroid	Testosterone	Lu, 2006 ²⁴⁶ Fair	Dem	Dep (BDI, 0-63)	IG1	6	6.8 (4.3)	4	6.5 (2.5)	-0.3 (3.6)	8.6 (4.9)	7	9.1 (3.8)	0.6 (6.0)	NR, 0.32
Gonadal steroid	Testosterone			NPS (NPI-10, 0- 120)		6	4.2 (3.5)	5	5.4 (7.6)	1.2 (5.4)	7.8 (7.3)	8	11.1 (17.1)	3.4 (16.4)	NR, 0.74
Gonadal steroid	Testosterone		Dem	NPS (NPI-10, D)	lG1	6	ŇΑ	9	4 (44.4)#	NR	NA	9	7 (77.8)#	NR	NR, >0.16
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Mulnard, 2000 ²⁴⁷	Dem	Dep (HDRS, 0- 52)	IG1	12	3.4 (4.0)	42		0.5 (3.7)	3.8 (4.0)	39	NR	0.03 (3.9)	NR, 0.69
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Fair		Dep (HDRS, 0- 52)	IG2	12	3.2 (3.0)	39	NR	-0.1 (4.3)	3.8 (4.0)		NR	0.03 (3.9)	NR, 0.69
Gonadal steroid	progestin	Valen- Sendstad,		Dep (CERAD Depression, 0-9)		12	1.1 (1.3)	29	1.2 (1.8)	NR	1.6 (1.6)		1.2 (1.3)	NR	MDC (SD)=- 0.6 (1.3), 0.13
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen plus progestin	2010 ²⁴⁸ Fair	Dem	Dep (CERAD Depression, 0- 9)**	IG1	12	2.3 (2.0)	29	2.4 (1.9)	NR	3.0 (2.2)	26	3.2 (1.7)	NR	MDC (SD)=- 0.4 (2.8), 0.62
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Wang, 2000 ²⁴⁹ Fair	Dem	Anx (HARS, 0- 56)	IG1	3	6.4 (4.7)		NR	-0.8 (4.7)	7.2 (4.3)	25	NR	0.4 (2.6)	NR, 0.277
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	Dep (HDRS, 0- 52)	IG1	3	7.1 (4.5)	25	NR	-1.2 (5.8)	7.5 (4.9)	25	NR	0.4 (4.8)	NR, 0.335

Medication type	Medication	Author, year Quality		Symptom (Instrument, range [†])	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG BL mean (SD)	IG n at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	change	mean	CG r at FU		change	Between group difference, p- value
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Dem	NPS (BEHAVE- AD1, 0-75)	IG1	3	4.9 (5.7)	25	NR	-0.4 (3.8)	4.7 (5.5)	25	NR	-0.8 (5.0)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Aisen, 2008 ²⁵⁰ Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	3	6.0 [‡] (NR)	234	NR	0.71 (6.31)	5.0 [‡] (NR)	164	NR	0.64 (4.83)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	6	6.0 [‡] (NR)	231	NR	0.97 (10.82)	5.0 [‡] (NR)	159	NR	1.03 (8.82)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	12	6.0 [‡] (NR)	215	NR	1.03 (10.53)	5.0 [‡] (NR)	145	NR	1.19 (9.31)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	18	6.0 [‡] (NR)	198	NR	3.31 (12.84)	5.0 [‡] (NR)	136	NR	2.2 (11.12)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	de Jager, 2012 ²⁵² Fair	MCI	Dep (GDS, 0- 30)	IG1	24	NR	133	NR	-0.073 (3.4)	NR	133	NR	0.018 (3.6)	NS
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Dysken, 2014* ²²² Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG2	6	7.5 [‡] (NR)	133	NR	-1.24 ^{II} (- 3.35, 0.87) [§]	8.0 [‡] (NR)	135	NR	0.47 (- 1.62, 2.57) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG2	12	7.5 [‡] (NR)	122	NR	-1.04 (- 3.40, 1.34) [§]		112	NR	1.08 (- 1.36, 3.53) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG2	18	7.5 [‡] (NR)	103	NR	0.93 (-1.81, 3.68) [§]	8.0 [‡] (NR)	96	NR	4.05 ^{íi} (1.26, 6.87) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG2	24	7.5 [‡] (NR)	87	NR	2.16 ^{II} (-1.25, 5.58) [§]	8.0 [‡] (NR)	75	NR	3.59 ⁱⁱ (0.004, 7.19) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG2	30	7.5 [‡] (NR)	64	NR	3.20 (-0.13, 6.55) [§]	8.0 [‡] (NR)	55	NR	1.68 ^{íi} (- 1.88, 5.21) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Dysken, 2014* ²²² Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG2	36	7.5 [‡] (NR)	51	NR	2.14 (-1.73, 6.01) [§]	8.0 [‡] (NR)	41	NR	0.60 (- 3.63, 4.83) [§]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG2	42	7.5 [‡] (NR)	39	NR	0.82 (-4.35, 6.01) [§]	8.0 [‡] (NR)	33	NR	3.63 (- 2.01, - 9.31) [§]	NR

Medication type	Medication	Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Symptom (Instrument, range [†])	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG BL mean (SD)	at	IG FU mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)	CG r at FU	nCG FU mean (SD)	CG mean change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p- value
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)		48	7.5 [‡] (NR)		NR	0.79 (1.00) [¶]	8.0 [‡] (NR)		NR	2.26 (1.01) [¶]	MDC (95% CI)=-1.46 (- 3.55, 0.63), 0.94
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Freund- Levi,		Dep (MADRS, 0-30)	IG1	6	1.8 (NR)		1.5 (NR)	NR	1.9 (NR)		1.6 (NR)	NR	NR, 0.49
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	2006 ²⁵³ Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	6	15.6 (NR)	89	16.6 (NR)	NR	14.9 (NR)	85	16.0 (NR)	NR	NR, 0.45
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Kwok, 2011 ²⁵⁴ Fair	Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0- 38)	IG1	24	1.9 (2.5)	59	NR	0 ^{††} (-2, 0)	1.8 (2.5)	53	NR	0 ^{††} (-2, 1)	NR, 0.436
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	24	7.7 (11.4)	59	NR	0 ^{††} (-3, 7)	9.0 (11.0)	53	NR	0 ^{††} (-2.5, 7)	NR, 0.606
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Phillips, 2015* ²⁵⁵ Fair	+ Dem	Dep (BASDEC, 0-21)	IG1	4	2.7 (2.4)	37	2.3 (2.9)	NR	2.3 (2.0)	39	2.1 (2.5)	NR	NR, 0.548
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Quinn, 2010 ²⁵⁶	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	6	NR	219	NR	1.8 (0.4, 3.3)§	NR	146	NR	1.0 (-0.8, 2.6)§	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	–Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	12	NR	192	NR	0.7 (-0.9, 2.1) [§]	NR	141	NR	2.7 (0.8, 4.9)§	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids		Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0- 144)	IG1	18	NR	176	NR	2.93 (0.92, 4.94)§	NR	129	NR	5.09 (2.49, 7.69)§	MDC (95% CI)=NR (NR, NR), 0.11
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids - DHA	Sinn, 2012 ²⁵⁹ Fair	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	6	3.19 (3.17)	18	-0.68 (0.30)	NR	3.15 (2.08)	14	0.69 (0.61)	NR	ES (SE) (95% CI): -1.40 (0.53)(-2.47, - 0.32), 0.01
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids - EPA	Sinn, 2012 ²⁵⁹ Fair		Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG2	6	4.40 (2.92)	17	-0.52 (0.30)	NR	3.15 (2.08)	14	0.69 (0.61)	NR	ES (SE) (95% CI): -1.23 (0.56)(-2.37, - 0.09), 0.04
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Yurko- Mauro, 2010 ²⁶¹ Good	MCI	Dep (GDS, 0- 30)	IG1	6	1.3 (1.2)	241	1.4 (1.6)	0.1 (0.10)¶	1.3 (1.3)	242	1.3 (1.5)	0.0 (0.08)¶	MDC (SE)=0.1 (0.12), 0.230

^{*} New study

[†] Lower scores indicate better outcomes for all instruments

- ‡ Median
- § 95% CI
- Least squares mean change
- ¶ Standard error
- # Number (%) of participants displaying at least 1 neuropsychiatric symptom of mild severity based on NPI
- ** Caregiver-reported
- †† Median change (IQR)

Abbreviations: Anx = anxiety; BASDEC = Brief Assessment Schedule Depression Cards; BDI = Beck Depression Inventory; BEHAVE-AD1 = Behavioral Pathology in Alzheimer's Disease - Part 1; BL = baseline; CERAD = Consortium to Establish a Registry for Alzheimer's Disease; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; CSDD = Cornell Scale for Depression in Dementia; Dem = dementia; Dep = depression; ES = effect size; FU = followup; GDS = Geriatric Depression Scale; GDS-15 = Geriatric Depression Scale-15 Item; HARS = Hamilton Anxiety Rating Scale; HDRS = Hamilton Depression Rating Scale; HMG-CoA = β-Hydroxy β-methylglutaryl-CoA; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; LSM = least squares mean; MADRS = Montgomery-Åsberg Depression Rating Scale; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MDC = mean difference in change; mo. = months; NPI-10 = Neuropsychiatric Inventory-10 item; NPI-12 = Neuropsychiatric Inventory-12 item; NPS = Composite neuropsychiatric symptoms; NR = not reported; NS = not statistically significant; NSAID = Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drug; Pop cat = population category; SD = standard deviation; SE = standard error

Medication type	Intervention	Author, year Quality	Outcome	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG n at FU	IG FU N (%) with event	CG n at	CG FU N (%) with event	Between group difference, p-value
Antihypertensive	Discontinuation of antihypertensive	Moonen, 2015* ²³⁵ Fair	Serious adverse events	IG1	4	199	13 [†]	186	13 [†]	NR
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin	Feldman, 2010 ²³⁶ Fair	Adverse events	IG1	18	314	272 (86.6)	325	277 (85.2)	NR
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Serious adverse events	IG1	18	314	50 (15.9)	325	51 (15.7)	NR
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Atorvastatin		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	18	314	56 (17.8)	325	31 (9.5)	NR
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin	Sano, 2011 ²³⁷ Fair	Adverse events	IG1	18	204	189 (92.6)	202	181 (89.6)	NR, 0.91
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Serious adverse events	IG1	18	204	56 (27.5)	202	54 (26.7)	NR, 0.91
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	18	204	13 (6.4)	202	16 (7.9)	NR
HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor	Simvastatin	Simons, 2002 ²³⁸ Fair	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	24	2 (8.3)	20	0 (0.0)	NR
NSAID	Naproxen	Aisen, 2003 ²⁴⁰ Good	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	12	118	10 (8.5)	111	11 (9.9)	NR
NSAID	Indomethacin	de Jong, 2008 ²⁴¹ Fair	Serious adverse events	IG1	12	26	5 (19.2)	25	1 (4.0)	NR
NSAID	Indomethacin		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	26	5 (19.2)	25	0 (0.0)	NR
NSAID	Indomethacin	de Jong, 2008 ²⁴¹ Fair	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	12	20	1 (5.0)	23	0 (0.0)	NR

Medication type	Intervention	Author, year	Outcome	Int arm		IG n at	IG FU N (%)		CG FU N (%)	Between group
		Quality			mo.	FU	with event	FU	with event	difference, p-value
NSAID	lbuprofen	Pasqualetti, 2009 ²⁴² Fair	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	12	66	7 (10.6)	66	10 (15.2)	NR
NSAID	Celecoxib	Soininen, 2007 ²⁴³	Adverse events	IG1	12	285	229 (80.4)	140	105 (75.0)	NR
NSAID	Celecoxib	Fair	Serious adverse events	IG1	12	285	73 (25.6)	140	32 (22.9)	NR
NSAID	Celecoxib		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	12	285	34 (11.9)	140	15 (10.7)	NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Henderson, 2015*244	Adverse events	IG1	12	21	54 [†]	21	44 [†]	NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	12	21	2 (9.5)	21	1 (4.8)	NR
Gonadal steroid	Testosterone	Lu, 2006 ²⁴⁶ Fair	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	9	2 (22.2)	9	0 (0.0)	NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen	Mulnard, 2000 ²⁴⁷ Fair	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	12	42	7 (16.7)	39	2 (5.1)	NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	12	39	4 (10.3)	39	2 (5.1)	NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen plus progestin	Valen-Sendstad, 2010 ²⁴⁸	Adverse events	IG1	12	33	25 (75.8)	32	18 (56.3)	NR
Gonadal steroid	Estrogen plus progestin	Fair	Serious adverse events	IG1	12	33	0 (0)	32	3 (9.4)	NR
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Aisen, 2008 ²⁵⁰ Good	Adverse events	IG1	18	240	224 (93.3)	169	161 (95.3)	NR, 0.52
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	Aisen, 2008 ²⁵⁰ Good	Serious adverse events	IG1	18	240	123 (51.3)	169	95 (56.2)	NR, 0.37

Medication type		Author, year Quality	Outcome	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG n at FU	IG FU N (%) with event	CG n at	CG FU N (%) with event	Between group difference, p-value
Dietary supplement	B vitamins (including folic acid)	de Jager, 2012 ²⁵² Fair	Adverse events	IG1	24	133	242 [†]	133	271 [†]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Dysken, 2014* ²²²	Adverse events	IG2	48	152	198 [†]	152	202 [†]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Good	Serious adverse events	IG2	48	152	180 [†]	152	170 [†]	NR
Dietary supplement	Vitamin E	Petersen, 2005 ¹⁹⁴ Fair	Adverse events	IG2	36	257	82 [†]	259	64 [†]	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Quinn, 2010 ²⁵⁶ Fair	Adverse events	IG1	18	238	214 [†]	164	144 [†]	NR, 0.52
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids		Serious adverse events	IG1	18	238	76 [†]	164	50 [†]	NR, 0.83
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	18	238	14 (5.9)	164	10 (6.1)	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids	Shinto, 2014* ²⁵⁸ Fair	Adverse events	IG1	12	13	4 †	13	7 †	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 and LA		Adverse events	IG2	12	13	7 †	13	7 †	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids - DHA	Sinn, 2012 ²⁵⁹ Fair	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	18	1 (5.6)	15	0 (0.0)	NR
Dietary supplement	Omega-3 fatty acids - EPA		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG2	6	17	0 (0.0)	15	0 (0.0)	NR
Dietary supplement	Multivitamin	Sun, 2007 ²⁶⁰ Fair	Adverse events	IG1	6	45	21 (46.7)	44	14 (31.8)	NR
Dietary supplement	Multivitamin		Serious adverse events	IG1	6	45	2 (4.4)	44	1 (2.3)	NR
Dietary supplement	Multivitamin	Sun, 2007 ²⁶⁰ Fair	Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	45	5 (11.1)	44	4 (9.1)	NR

Medication type	Intervention	Author, year	Outcome	Int arm	Time,	IG n at	IG FU N (%)	CG n at	CG FU N (%)	Between group
		Quality			mo.	FU	with event	FU	with event	difference, p-value
_	Omega-3 fatty acids	004	Adverse events	IG1	6	242	109 [†]	243	109 [†]	NR
Dietary	Omega-3 fatty acids	Good		IG1	6	242	7 (2.9)	243	7 (2.9)	NR
-	Omega-3 fatty acids		Withdrawals due to adverse events	IG1	6	242	8 (3.3)	243	6 (2.5)	NR

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Abbreviations: CG = control group; DHA = docosahexaenoic acid; EPA = eicosapentaenoic acid; FU = followup; HMG-CoA = β -Hydroxy β -methylglutaryl-CoA; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; LA = linoleic acid; mo. = months; n (%) = number (percentage) of participants reporting events; NR = not reported; NSAID = Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drug

[†] Number of events reported

Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG BL mean	IG n	IG FU mean	IG mean change (SD)	CG BL	CG n at FU	CG FU mean		Between group difference, p-
Quality	cai	(range)	aiiii	1110.	(SD)	at i U	(SD)	from BL	(SD)	at i U	(SD)	from BL	value
Cognitive Stimulation, Training, and Rehabilitation													
Amieva, 2016* ²⁷⁵ Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	NR	151	21.26 (12.9)	NR	NR	141	19.84 (11.5)	NR	NR, 0.5041
	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	24	NR	124	39.96 (24.8)	NR	NR	109	38.25 (24.5)	NR	NR, 0.7060
	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	3	NR	144	19.92 (12.0)	NR	NR	141	19.84 (11.5)	NR	NR, 0.8876
	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	24	NR	121	34.57 (23.7)	NR	NR	109	38.25 (24.5)	NR	NR, 0.1012
Bergamaschi, 2013* ²⁸⁰ Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	20.25 (2.95)	16	23.0 (2.0)		21.94 (2.01)	16	18.37 (2.96)	NR	NR, <0.001
Buschert, 2011 ²⁶⁹ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	12.1 (5.3)	8	11.4 (6.0)	NR	16.4 (4.8)	7	16.4 (4.9)	NR	NS
	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	8.7 (2.9)	10	7.3 (3.1)	NR	9.8 (4.3)	12	11.7 (5.6)	NR	NR, 0.02
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	24.5 (1.6)	8	25.0 (2.7)	NR	25.3 (1.5)	7	24.4 (2.4)	NR	NS
	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	28.1 (1.5)	10	26.8 (1.5)	NR	28.2 (1.2)	12	26.0 (1.3)	NR	NR, 0.07
Cavallo, 2016* ²⁸⁴ Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	22.65 (1.74)	38	22.32 (0.97)	NR	23.05 (2.44)	38	22.64 (0.96)	NR	NS
Chapman, 2004 ²⁶⁶ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	NR	26	21.5 (NR)	NR	NR	28	20.2 (NR)	NR	NR
	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	7	NR	26	23.5 (NR)	NR	NR	28	23.0 (NR)	NR	NR
	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	NR	26	24.6	4.89 (2.67, 7.11)		28	26.5	5.62 (3.39, 7.85)	ES=0.00, NS
Chapman, 2004 ²⁶⁶ Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	4	NR	26	21.0 (NR)	NR	NR	28	21.9 (NR)	NR	NR
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	7	NR	26	19.7 (NR)	NR	NR	28	20.1 (NR)	NR	NR
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	NR	26	19.4 (NR)	-1.25 (-2.78, 0.28)	NR	28	19.0 (NR)	-2.14 (-4.18, -0.10)	ES=0.06, NS
Cove, 2014* ²⁷⁷ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	18.35 (7.1)	21	20.10 (7.6)	NR	17.68 (6.51)	23	20.09 (7.2)		NS
	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	3	18.13 (8.24)	24	19.04 (8.13)	NR	17.68 (6.51)	23	20.09 (7.2)	NR	NS

Author, year	Pop	Instrument	Int	Time,	IG BL	IG n	IG FU				CG FU		Between group
Quality	cat	(range) [†]	arm	mo.	mean (SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	mean (SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	from BL	difference, p- value
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	22.33 (3.54)	21	22.19 (4.48)	NR	22.91 (3.01)	23	22.13 (3.40)	NR	ES=0.003, 0.92
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	3	22.71 (3.76)	24	22.38 (4.75)		22.91 (3.01)	23	22.13 (3.40)	NR	NS
Fiatarone Singh, 2014*278	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	6	8.79 (NR)	24	7.31 (NR)		8.09 (NR)	27	7.14 (NR)	NR	NR
Fair	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG2	18	8.79 (NR)	24	6.49 (NR)	NR	8.09 (NR)	27	5.75 (NR)	NR	NR
Greenaway, 2012 ²⁷¹ Fair	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	26.4 (2.2)	18	26.1 (2.2)	-0.2 (1.4)	27.2 (2.4)	17	27.3 (1.8)	-0.4 (2.2)	Cohen's d=0.1, NS
Jelcic, 2012* ²⁸² Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	24.4 (2.8)	20	26.4 (2.3)	NR	25.0 (2.6)	20	24.0 (3.3)	NR	NR, <0.001
Jeong, 2016* ²⁷⁴ Fair	MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0- 89)	IG1	3	25.9 (6.6)	71	NR	-2.3 (4.6)	26.5 (6.6)	76	NR	-0.8 (4.8)	NR, 0.01
	MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0- 89)	IG1	9	25.9 (6.6)	67	NR	-2.3 (5.2)	26.5 (6.6)	62	NR	-0.5 (5.2)	NR, 0.03
Jeong, 2016* ²⁷⁴ Fair	MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0- 89)	IG2	3	24.9 (6.8)	71	NR	-2.5 (4.5)	26.5 (6.6)	76	NR	-0.8 (4.8)	NR, 0.02
	MCI	ADAS-Cog 13 (0- 89)	IG2	9	, ,	68	NR	-2.3 (6.1)	26.5 (6.6)	62	NR	-0.5 (5.2)	NR, 0.047
	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3		71	NR	0.3 (1.8)	25.3 (2.5)	76	NR	0.3 (1.8)	NR, 0.23
	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	9	25.9 (2.5)	67	NR	-0.1 (2.3)	25.3 (2.5)	62	NR	0.3 (2.4)	NR, 0.39
	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	3	25.9 (2.4)	77	NR	0.7 (2.0)	25.3 (2.5)	76	NR	0.3 (1.8)	NR, 0.16
	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	9	25.9 (2.4)	68	NR	0.2 (2.3)	25.3 (2.5)	62	NR	0.3 (2.4)	NR, 0.6
Kallio, 2018* ²⁸⁸ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	9		76	NR	0.8 (-0.2, 1.8)	21.8 (8.3)	71	NR	1.7 (0.6, 2.7)	NR, 0.23
	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0- 70)	IG1	9	21.1 (8.1)	76	NR	2.0 (0.9, 3.1)	21.8 (8.3)	71	NR	2.3 (1.1, 3.5)	NR, 0.43
Kurz, 2012 ²⁷² Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	9	25.01 (2.16)	83	NR	-1.48 (3.77)	25.11 (2.20)	88	NR	-2.22 (3.24)	NR, 0.175
Olazaran, 2004 ²⁶⁵ Fair	MCI + Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	24.7 (1.5) [‡]	40	NR		25.8 (1.6) [‡]		NR	0.5 (NR)	NS
	MCI + Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0- 70)	IG1	6	24.7 (1.5)‡		NR		25.8 (1.6) [‡]		NR	2 (NR)	NS
Olazaran, 2004 ²⁶⁵ Fair	MCI + Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0- 70)	IG1	12	24.7 (1.5) [‡]	40	NR	4 (NR)	25.8 (1.6) [‡]	40	NR	6.5 (NR)	NS
	MCI + Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	NR	40	NR	0 (NR)	NR	40	NR	-0.51 (NR)	NS
	MCI + Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	NR	40	NR	-0.5 (NR)	NR	40	NR	-1.5 (NR)	NS

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	MCI + Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	NR	40	NR	-1.5 (NR)	NR	40	NR	-2.1 (NR)	NS
Orrell, 2014* ²⁷⁹ Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	31.1 (14.6)	123	35.32 (2.56) [‡]	NR	33.2 (13.0)		34.47 (2.59) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=- 0.85 (-3.40, 1.70), 0.27
	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	31.1 (14.6)	123	35.94 (2.79) [‡]	NR	33.2 (13.0)		35.29 (2.85) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=- 0.65 (-3.71, 2.42), 0.67
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	17.8 (5.6)	123	16.09 (0.88) [‡]	NR	17.8 (5.4)	113	15.79 (0.91) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=- 0.30 (-0.72, 1.31), 0.56
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	17.8 (5.6)	123	16.34 (1.21) [‡]	NR	17.8 (5.4)	113	15.49 (1.25) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.85 (-0.29, 1.99), 0.15
Orrell, 2017* ²⁷³ Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	3	21.47 (9.22)	142	20.86 (9.73)	-0.29 (5.87)	19.79 (8.03)	146	19.50 (8.97)	0.03 (6.16)	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.29 (-1.10, 1.68), 0.68
	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	21.47 (9.22)	134	20.69 (9.39)	0.33 (5.65)	19.79 (8.03)		20.39 (9.91)		Adj MD (95% CI)=- 0.55 (-2.00, 0.90), 0.45
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	21.12 (4.48)	142	20.59 (5.02)	-0.46 (3.18)	21.33 (4.11)		20.89 (4.83)	-0.87 (3.5)	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.16 (-0.60, 0.92), 0.69
Orrell, 2017* ²⁷³ Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	21.12 (4.48)	134	20.68 (4.76)	-0.96 (2.99)	21.33 (4.11)		21.19 (5.21)	-0.67 (3.62)	Adj MD (95% CI)=- 0.47 (-1.26, 0.30), 0.23
Pantoni, 2017*287	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	27.1 (2.6)	21	NR	-0.3 (1.9)	25.7 (3.2)	22	NR	-0.8 (1.9)	NR, 0.458
Fair	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	27.1 (2.6)	21	NR	-0.7 (2.8)	25.7 (3.2)	22	NR	-0.3 (1.8)	NR, 0.601
	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	NA	21	20 (95.2)§	NA	NA		22 (100.0) [§]		NR, 0.300
	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	NA	21	20 (95.2)§	NA	NA		21 (95.4)§		NR, 0.973
Quayhagen, 1995 ²⁷⁰	Dem	MDRS (0-144)	IG1	3	109.8 (12.0)	25	113.1 (11.7)	NR	109.2 (11.7)	25	104.8 (13.9)	NR	NR
Fair	Dem	MDRS (0-144)	IG1	9	109.8 (12.0)	25	107.6 (15.1)	NR	109.2 (11.7)		96.6 (20.2)		NR
Tsantali, 2017*283 Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	, ,	17	27.0 (1.0)	NR	23.1 (1.4)		, ,	NR	NR, <0.05
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	12	22.5 (0.9)	17	20.9 (1.0)	NR	23.1 (1.4)	21	21.6 (1.6)	NR	NS

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Tsolaki, 2011 ²⁶³ Fair	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	28.09 (1.59)	104	29.00 (6.18)	NR	27.59 (1.88)	72	27.06 (2.34)	NR	NR, 0.000
Vidovich, 2015*276 Good	MCI	CAMCOG-R (0- 105)	IG1	12	89.5 (6.9)	77	NR	1.0 (0.3, 1.8)	90.6 (6.4)	77	NR	1.1 (0.4, 1.9)	NR
	MCI	CAMCOG-R (0- 105)	IG1	24	89.5 (6.9)	67	NR	-0.6 (-2.3, 1.0)	90.6 (6.4)	60	NR	0.8 (-0.8, 2.5)	NR, 0.276
	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	24	NR	67	9 (13.4)	NR	NR	60	2 (3.3)§	NR	OR (95% CI)=3.48 (0.92, 13.18), NS¶
Exercise Interventions													
Doi, 2017* ³⁰⁴ Good	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	9	26.0 (2.6)	55	NR	0.29 (2.6)	25.8 (2.4)	63	NR	-0.36 (2.3)	NR, 0.026
Hoffmann, 2016* ³⁰² Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	4	23.8 (3.4)	102	23.9 (3.4)	NR	24.1 (3.8)	88	23.9 (3.9)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=0.5 (0.3, 1.2) 0.244
Holthoff, 2015*303 Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	22.05 (0.54) [‡]	15	21.99 (0.54) [‡]	NR	21.95 (0.54) [‡]	15	21.28 (0.54) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.70 (-0.83, 2.23) NR
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	22.05 (0.54) [‡]	13	22.11 (0.57) [‡]	NR	21.95 (0.54) [‡]	14	20.72 (0.55) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=1.39 (-0.21, 2.98) NS
Hong, 2017* ³⁰⁰ Fair	MCI	MoCA (0-30)	IG1	3	20.70 (3.46)	10	21.70 (3.05)	NR	20.08 (4.44)	12	20.50 (5.05)	NR	NR, p=0.506
Lamb, 2018* ³⁰⁶ Good	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0- 70)	IG1	6	21.4 (9.6)	298	22.9 (11.6)	NR	21.8 (7.7)	145	22.4 (9.4)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)= -0.6 (-1.58, 0.39), 0.237
	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0- 70)	IG1	12	21.4 (9.6)	278	25.2 (12.3)	NR	21.8 (7.7)	137	23.8 (10.4)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)= -1.4 (-2.6, -0.2), 0.03
Lam, 2011 ²⁹³ Fair	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	5	12.6 (5.1)	135	10.7 (5.5)	2.0 (3.9)	14.1 (5.7)	194	12.8 (6.1)	1.3 (3.8)	NR
	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	5	24.8 (3.1)	135	25.8 (3.1)	0.9 (2.3)	24.2 (2.9)	194	25.1 (3.6)	0.8 (2.7)	NR
Lautenschlager, 2008 ²⁹²	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	NR	85	NR	-0.26 (-0.89, 0.54)	NR	85	NR	1.04 (0.32, 1.82)	NR
Good	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	NR	85	NR		NR	85	NR	0.04 (-0.66, 0.64)	NR
	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	17	NR	85	NR	-0.73 (-1.27, 0.03)	NR	85	NR	-0.04 (-0.46, 0.88)	NR, 0.04

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Lazarou, 2017* ²⁹⁹ Fair	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	10	27.60 (2.19)	66	28.00 (2.39)		26.88 (2.1)		25.65 (3.27)	NR	NR, 0.000
Liu-Ambrose, 2016* ²⁹¹ Fair	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	11.7 (5.5)	35	NR	-1.61 (0.50)‡	10.2 (5.4)	35	NR	0.10 (0.53)‡	MDC (95% CI)=- 1.71 (-3.15, -0.26), 0.02
	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	12	11.7 (5.5)	35	NR	-1.14 (0.57)‡	10.2 (5.4)	35	NR	-0.51 (0.64) [‡]	MDC (95% CI)=- 0.63 (-2.34, 1.07), 0.46
Pitkälä, 2013* ²⁹⁰ Good	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	,	51	NR	-1.23 (-2.33, -0.14)	, ,		NR	0.02)	NR, 0.74
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG2	12	,	68	NR	-1.63 (-2.64, -0.61)	17.7 (6.2)	65	NR	-1.08 (-2.17, 0.02)	,
Siu, 2018* ³⁰⁹ Fair	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	4	25.46 (1.89)	80	26.74 (2.42)		24.61 (2.75)	80	24.70 (2.90)	, ,	Beta (95% CI)=1.33 (0.53, 2.13), 0.001
Suzuki, 2012 ²⁹⁷ Fair	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	6.3 (2.2)	24	NR	0.3)	6.8 (2.2)	23	NR	-0.1 (-1.0, 0.8)	NS
	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	26.8 (1.8)	25	NR	1.60)	,	25	NR	-1.37 (-2.66, -0.07)	NR, <0.05
	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	26.8 (1.8)	25	NR	-0.47 (-1.75, 0.81)	26.6 (1.6)	25	NR	-0.44 (-1.74, 0.86)	F statistic=3.4, 0.04
Venturelli, 2010 ²⁹⁵ Fair	MCI + Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	22.3 (2.1)	12	23.0 (1.4)	NR	22.1 (1.7)	11	17.5 (2.1)	NR	NR, <0.05
Vreugdenhil, 2012 ²⁹⁸	Dem	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	4	22.7 (9.7)	20	18.5 (9.8)	-4.9 (1.1) [‡]	26.6 (16.6)	20	30.6 (17.9)	2.1 (1.4) [‡]	NR, 0.001
Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	4	22.9 (5.0)	20	23.9 (5.0)	1.0 (1.4)‡	21.0 (6.3)	20	19.0 (7.7)	-1.6 (0.5) [‡]	NR, 0.001
Multicomponent and Other Interventions													
Bae, 2019* ³²⁰ Fair	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	27.1 (2.1)	41	NR	0.51 (-1.35, 0.34)	26.7 (2.0)	42	NR	0.35 (-0.44, 1.15)	NR, 0.143
Burgener, 2008 ³¹² Fair		MMSE (0-30)	IG1	5	24.8 (3.5)	19	25.2 (3.1)	, ,	22.9 (5.2)	14	22.4 (7.6)	-0.5 (NR)	NR, 0.05
Fiatarone Singh, 2014* ²⁷⁸	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	6	8.02 (NR)	27	6.26 (NR)		8.09 (NR)	27	, ,	NR	NR
Fair	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)	IG1	18	8.02 (NR)	27	5.76 (NR)	NR	8.09 (NR)	27	5.75 (NR)	NR	NR
Jha, 2013* ³¹⁶ Fair	MCI + Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	21 (6)	17	21 (6)	-0.06 (NR)	23 (5)	17	22 (6)	0.7 (NR)	NR, 0.44

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Marshall, 2015* ³¹⁵ Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	3	23.6 (4.3)	28	22.4 (4.0)	NR	22.4 (3.7)	27	22.9 (3.1)	NR	MDC (95% CI): - 1.34 (-2.88, 0.20), NS
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	5	23.6 (4.3)	28	22.5 (4.4)	NR	22.4 (3.7)	24	22.4 (2.9)	NR	MDC (95% CI): - 0.45 (-2.07, 1.16), NS
Richard, 2009 ³¹⁷ Fair	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	22.3 (3.3)	57	19.7 (5.1)	NR	22.2 (3.6)	48	19.5 (5.2)	NR	NS
	Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	24	22.3 (3.3)	50	16.8 (8.1)	-5.78 (6.4)	22.2 (3.6)	44	17.0 (6.4)	-5.23 (6.0)	MDC (95% CI): - 0.55 (-3.12, 2.02), 0.65
Rovner, 2018*318 Good	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	25.8 (2.3)	111	NR	0.01 (-0.39, 0.41)	25.6 (2.5)	110	NR	-0.22 (-0.59, 0.15)	ES (95% CI)=0.23 (-0.32, 0.77), 0.41
Shimada, 2017* ³²¹ Fair	MCI	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	9	26.6 (1.8)	154	NR	0.0 (-0.4, 0.4)	26.8 (1.8)	154	NR	-0.8 (-1.2, - 0.4)	MDC (95% CI)=0.8 (0.2, 1.4), 0.012
′	MCI + Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	19.8 (4.8)	255	19.9 (6.0)	NR	19.3 (4.8)	178	18.3 (6.2)	NR	ES=0.21, 0.033
Train the Brain Consortium, 2017* ³¹⁹	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0- 70)	IG1	7	NR	55	NR	-1.40 (0.32) [‡]	NR	58	NR	1.1526. (0.25) [‡]	MDC (95% CI)=- 2.17 (-2.99, -1.34), <0.0001
	MCI	ADAS-Cog 11 (0-70)#	IG1	7	NA	55	25 (45.4)	NA	NA	58	7 (12.1)	NA	NR, <0.001
,	MCI + Dem	MMSE (0-30)	IG1	6	20.5 (6.0)	116	18.8 (7.8)	NR	19.8 (6.6)	83	19.2 (7.5)	NR	MDC (95% CI): - 0.9 (-2.23, 0.34), NS
		MMSE (0-30)	IG1	12	20.5 (6.0)	113	18.0 (7.7)	NR	19.8 (6.6)	77	17.4 (8.8)	NR	MDC (95% CI): 0.0 (-1.43, 1.48), NS

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: ADAS-Cog 11 = Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; 11-item; ADAS-Cog 13 = Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; 13-item; Adj MD = adjusted mean difference; BL = baseline; CAMCOG-R = Cambridge Cognitive Examination Revised; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; Dem = dementia; FU = followup; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MDC = mean difference in change; MDRS = Mattis Dementia

[†] Higher scores indicate better outcomes for all instruments except for ADAS-Cog 11 and ADAS-Cog 13 where lower scores indicate better outcomes

[‡] Standard error

[§] N (%)

[|] Participants with stable/better MMSE scores at followup

[¶] Odds of attaining a MMSE score <24

[#] Participants with decerase of 1.5 points on ADAS-Cog (improvement)

Rating Scale; MMSE = Mini-Mental State Examination; mo. = months; MoCA = Montreal Cognitive Assessment Test; Pop cat = population category; NR = not reported; NS = Not statistically significant; SD = standard deviation

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Amieva, 2016* ²⁷⁵ Good		40, ↑)	IG1	3	26.5 (8.1)		27.54 (9.2)	NR	26.6 (8.8)	141	26.94 (9.6)	NR	NR, 0.6201
		40, ↑)	IG1	24	26.5 (8.1)	124	24.74 (13.4)	NR	26.6 (8.8)	109	25.38 (13.4)	NR	NR, 0.6695
		ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 40, ↑)	IG2	3	26.5 (8.1)	144	28.19 (9.4)	NR	26.6 (8.8)	141	26.94 (9.6)	NR	NR,
		ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 40, ↑)	IG2	24	26.5 (8.1)	121	27.04 (11.9)	NR	26.6 (8.8)	109	25.38 (13.4)	NR	NR, 0.3882
Belleville, 2018* ²⁸⁹ Fair			IG1	3	38.66 (4.95)	36	39.31 (4.39)	NR	37.70 (5.11)	38	38.24 (6.07)	NR	NS
	MCI	ADL (ADL-PI, 0-45,	IG1	6	38.66 (4.95)	31	39.28 (4.41)	NR	37.70 (5.11)	38	38.30 (5.67)	NR	NS
Bergamaschi, 2013* ²⁸⁰		ADL (Katz Index, 0- 6, ↑)	IG1	12	5.06 (1.12)	16	4.75 (1.34)	NR	5.18 (1.18)	16	3.75 (1.75)	NR	NR, <0.05
Fair	Dem	IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-8, ↑)	IG1	12	3.94 (2.51)	16	3.56 (2.34)	NR	3.94 (2.41)	16	2.62 (1.76)	NR	NS
Cahn-Weiner, 2003 ²⁶⁷ Fair		ADL/IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL + Physical Self Maintenance Scale, NR, ↑)	IG1	3	18.8 (5.0)	15	19.4 (4.8)	NR	20.7 (4.8)	14	20.2 (5.7)	NR	NS
Chapman, 2004 ²⁶⁶ Fair	Dem	ADL/IADL (TFLS, 0- 52, ↓)	IG1	4	NR	26	30.5 (NR)	NR	NR	28	29.7 (NR))NR	NR
		ADL/IADL (TFLS, 0- 52, ↓)	IG1	7	NR	26	29.0 (NR)	NR	NR	28	28.7 (NR))NR	NR
		ADL/IADL (TFLS, 0- 52, ↓)	IG1	12	NR	26	28.5 (NR)	-2.89 (- 5.66, - 0.12)	NR	28	26.4 (NR))-6.86 (NR) (-10.72, - 3.00)	ES=0.12, NS
Fiatarone Singh, 2014* ²⁷⁸	MCI	IADL (B-ADL,1-10 [†] , ↓)	IG2	6	0.3 (NR)	24	0.1 (NR)	NR	0.2 (NR)	27	0.1 (NR)	NR	NS
Fair	MCI	IADL (B-ADL,1-10 [†] , ⊥)	IG2	18	0.3 (NR)	24	0.1 (NR)	NR	0.2 (NR)	27	0.1 (NR)	NR	NS
Hyer, 2016* ²⁸⁵ Fair	MCI	IADL (FAQ, 0-30, ↓)	IG1	5	1.72 (3.59)	34	1.33 (3.18)	NR	2.06 (2.49)	34	3.12 (4.53)	NR	NR, 0.04
Jelcic, 2012* ²⁸² Fair	Dem	IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-8, ↑)	IG1	3	7.3 (1.7)	20	7.4 (1.6)	NR	6.6 (2.1)	20	6.6 (2.2)	NR	NS
Jeong, 2016* ²⁷⁴ Fair	MCI	IADL (B-ADL,1-10, ↓)	IG1	3	2.7 (1.3)	71	NR	-0.1 (1.2)	2.7 (1.3)	76	NR	-0.1 (0.8)	NR, 0.81

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	MCI	↓)		9	2.7 (1.3)		NR	0.0 (1.1)	2.7 (1.3)		NR	0.2 (1.2)	NR, 0.22
	MCI	IADL (B-ADL,1-10, ↓)	IG2	3	2.5 (1.3)	77	NR	0.0 (1.0)	2.7 (1.3)	76	NR	-0.1 (0.8)	NR, 0.93
	MCI	IADL (B-ADL,1-10, ↓)	IG2	9	2.5 (1.3)	68	NR	0.2 (1.3)	2.7 (1.3)	62	NR	0.2 (1.2)	NR, 0.71
Kurz, 2012 ²⁷² Fair	Dem	IADL (B-ADL,1-10, ↓)	IG1	3	3.54 (1.88)	92	NR	0.13 (1.25)	3.67 (1.93)	97	NR	0.28 (1.53)	NR, 0.44
	Dem	IADL (B-ADL,1-10, ↓)	IG1	9	3.54 (1.88)	83	NR	0.73 (1.82)	3.67 (1.93)	88	NR	0.86 (1.59)	NR, 0.64
Olazaran, 2004 ²⁶⁵ Fair	MCI + Dem	IADL (FAQ, 0-30, ↓)	IG1	3	15.3 (1.1) [‡]	40	NR	1.5 (NR)	14.1 (1.1) [‡]	40	NR	2 (NR)	NS
	MCI + Dem	IADL (FAQ, 0-30, ↓)	IG1	6	15.3 (1.1) [‡]	40	NR	2.1 (NR)	14.1 (1.1) [‡]	40	NR	4.6 (NR)	NS
	Dem	IADL (FAQ, 0-30, ↓)		12	15.3 (1.1) [‡]	40	NR	4.2 (NR)	14.1 (1.1) [‡]	40	NR	6 (NR)	NS
Orrell, 2014* ²⁷⁹ Good		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	3	42.7 (17.2)	123	43.58 (2.32) [‡]	NR	41.5 (18.1)	113	40.94 (2.32) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=2.64 (0.08, 5.20), 0.04
		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	42.7 (17.2)	123	43.29 (2.88) [‡]	NR	41.5 (18.1)	113	42.35 (2.87) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.94 (- 2.04, 3.92), 0.54
Orrell, 2017* ²⁷³ Good		ADL/IADL (Bristol ADL, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	3	5.16 (5.45)	142	14.53 (10.34)	9.51 (6.23)	4.49 (4.09)	146	13.55 (8.20)	9.35 (5.91)	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.20 (- 1.44, 1.04), 0.75
		ADL/IADL (Bristol ADL, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	5.16 (5.45)	134	15.39 (10.78)	10.52 (6.97)	4.49 (4.09)	139	14.56 (8.86)	10.55 (6.54)	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.66 (- 2.07, 0.75), 0.36
Pantoni, 2017* ²⁸⁷ Fair		ADL (Katz Index, 0-6, ↑)	IG1	6	5.9 (0.3)	21	NR	0.1 (0.3)	5.9 (0.4)	22	NR	0 (0)	NR, 0.145
	MCI		IG1	12	5.9 (0.3)	21	NR	0 (0.9)	5.9 (0.4)	22	NR	-0.2 (0.7)	NR, 0.262
			IG1	6	91.9 (11.9)	21	NR	-2.2 (10.3)	84.2 (17.8)	22	NR	-3.9 (11.3)	NR, 0.612
			IG1	12	91.9 (11.9)	21	NR	-8.4 (21.1)	84.2 (17.8)	22	NR	-6.9 (17.2)	NR, 0.800

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	MCI	IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-8, ↑)	IG1	6	1.9 (2.1)	21	NR	-0.4 (1.1)	2.2 (2.4)	22	NR	0 (0.9)	NR, 0.240
		IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-8, ↑)	IG1	12	1.9 (2.1)	21	NR	-0.7 (1.1)	2.2 (2.4)	22	NR	-1 (1.7)	NR, 0.457
Tsolaki, 2011 ²⁶³ Fair		ADL (FRSSD, NR, ↓)	IG1	6	3.04 (1.61)	104	2.67 (1.7)	NR	3.11 (1.68)	72	3.91 (2.49)	NR	NR, 0.001
Exercise Interventions													
Dawson, 2016* ³⁰⁵ Fair	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADL/IADL [unspecified], 0-48,	IG1	3	7.25 (5.13)	13	6.83 (5.13)	NR	4.20 (3.85)	10	5.40 (6.72)	NR	NR, 0.36
Ho, 2018* ³⁰⁸ Fair	Dem	Brody IADL, 0-18, ↑)		3	12.8 (5.0)		13.2 (4.9)		14.0 (4.9)		12.6 (5.9)		Beta (SE)=1.92 (0.58), <0.01
		IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-18, ↑)		6	12.8 (5.0)	69	12.8 (5.0)	NR	14.0 (4.9)	68	11.7 (6.2)	NR	NS
		IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-18, ↑)		12	12.8 (5.0)	69	11.8 (6.0)	NR	14.0 (4.9)	68	11.4 (6.2)	NR	NS
	MCI +		IG2	3	12.8 (5.2)	67	11.8 (5.4)	NR	14.0 (4.9)	68	12.6 (5.9)	NR	Beta (SE)=0.74 (0.59), 0.21
		IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-18, ↑)	IG2	6	12.8 (5.2)	67	11.1 (6.1)	NR	14.0 (4.9)	68	11.7 (6.2)	NR	NS
	MCI +	IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-18, ↑)	IG2	12	12.8 (5.2)	67	10.4 (6.0)	NR	14.0 (4.9)	68	11.4 (6.2)	NR	NS
Hoffmann, 2016*302 Good		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	4	64.8 (8.8)	102	64.4 (9.4)	NR	62.4 (10.8)	88	62.7 (10.4)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=-0.1 (-1.8, 1.5), 0.868
Holthoff, 2015*303 Fair		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	3	60.55 (0.91) [‡]	15	62.35 (0.91) [‡]	NR	60.53 (0.91) [‡]	15	57.47 (0.91) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=4.89 (2.30, 7.48), NR
		ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	60.55 (0.91) [‡]	13	61.26 (1.00) [‡]	NR	60.53 (0.91) [‡]	14	53.50 (0.94) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=7.76 (5.01, 10.51), <0.05
Liu-Ambrose, 2016* ²⁹¹ Fair	Dem	ADL/IADL (ADCS- ADL, 0-78, ↑)	IG1	6	46.1 (6.8) [‡]	35	NR	0.77 (0.65) [‡]	46.5 (5.1) [‡]	35	NR	0.49 (0.69)‡	MDC (95% CI)=1.25 (- 0.63, 3.13), 0.19

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		ADL, 0-78, `↑)	IG1	12	46.1 (6.8)		NR	0.22 (0.70) [‡]	46.5 (5.1)		NR	-1.13 (0.73) [‡]	MDC (95% CI)=1.34 (- 0.68, 3.37), 0.19
Morris, 2017* ³⁰¹ Good		ADL/IADL (DAD, 0- 100, ↑)	IG1	3	88.0 (12.3)	36	89.8 (12.5)	NR	91.2 (8.0)	37	89.5 (12.8)	NR	NR,
	MCI + Dem		IG1	6		34	89.5 (13.7)	NR	91.2 (8.0)	34	86.7 (13.3)	NR	ES (95% CI)=5.27 (1.7, 8.84), 0.02
Pitkälä, 2013* ²⁹⁰ Good	Dem	ADL/IADL (FIM, 18- 126, ↑)	IG1	3	88.5 (19.0)	61	NR	-5.52 (- 7.21, - 3.73)	86.8 (17.9)	65	NR	-6.17 (-7.93 -4.56)	
	Dem	ADL/IADL (FIM, 18- 126, ↑)	IG1	6	88.5 (19.0)	61	NR	-8.9 (-11.2, -6.7)	86.8 (17.9)	65	NR	-11.8 (-14.0 -9.7)	NR, 0.07
	Dem	ADL/IADL (FIM, 18- 126, ↑)	IG1	12	88.5 (19.0)	61	NR	-10.3 (-	86.8 (17.9)	65	NR	-14.4 (-18.0 -10.9)	NR, 0.12
	Dem	ADL/IADL (FIM, 18- 126, ↑)	IG2	3	87.3 (19.1)	68	NR	-5.0 (-6.77, -3.44)	86.8 (17.9)	65	NR	-6.17 (-7.93 -4.56)	NR
	Dem	ADL/IADL (FIM, 18- 126, ↑)	IG2	6		68	NR	-6.5 (-8.6, - 4.4)		65	NR	-11.8 (-14.0 -9.7)	NR, 0.001
	Dem		IG2	12	87.3 (19.1)	68	NR	-7.1 (-10.5, -3.7)		65	NR	-14.4 (-18.0 -10.9)	NR, 0.004
Venturelli, 2010 ²⁹⁵ Fair			IG1	3	19.6 (12.8)	12	34.8 (14.9)	NR	19.6 (11.3)	11	19.3 (11.9)	NR	NR, <0.05
Vreugdenhil, 2012 ²⁹ Fair	[₿] Dem		IG1	4	10.6 (4.1)	20		0.5 (0.3) [‡]		20	7.6 (4.5)	-1.1 (0.4) [‡]	NR, 0.047
	Dem	IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-14, ↑)	IG1	4	99.5 (1.5)	20	99.6 (1.2)	-0.4 (0.8) [‡]	98.4 (5.4)	20	94.2 (12.6)	-3.0 (0.9)‡	NR, 0.007
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Belleville, 2018* ²⁸⁹ Fair		↓) ` ' ' '		3	(5.53)	40	40.24 (4.69)	NR	37.70 (5.11)	38	38.24 (6.07)	NR	NS
	MCI	ADL (ADL-PI, 0-45, ↓)	IG2	6	39.63 (5.53)	31	38.91 (6.66)	NR	37.70 (5.11)	38	38.30 (5.67)	NR	NS
Fiatarone Singh, 2014* ²⁷⁸	MCI	IADL (B-ADL,1-10 [†] , ↓)	IG1	6	0.2 (NR)	27	0.2 (NR)	NR	0.2 (NR)	27	0.1 (NR)	NR	NS
Fair	MCI	IADL (B-ADL,1-10 [†] ,	IG1	18	0.2 (NR)	27	0.2 (NR)	NR	0.2 (NR)	27	0.1 (NR)	NR	NS
Richard, 2009 ³¹⁷ Fair		ADL/IADL (IDDD - performance scale, 0-44, ↓)	IG1	12	9.5 (9.4)	57	10.9 (7.4)	NR	10.7 (9.3)	48	15.2 (10.9)	NR	NS

Author, year	Pop cat	ADL or IADL	Int arm	Time,	IG BL	IG n at	IG FU	IG mean	CG BL	CG n	CG FU	CG mean	Between
Quality		(Instrument, range, direction)		mo.	mean (SD)	FU	mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	mean (SD)	at FU	mean (SD)		group difference, p- value
		ADL/IADL (IDDD - performance scale, 0-44, ↓)	IG1	24	9.5 (9.4)	50	17.9 (13.5)	13.75 (10.3)	10.7 (9.3)	44	22.8 (13.4)	11.04 (13.1)	MDC (95% CI)=2.71 (- 3.14, 8.56), 0.26
Straubmeier, 2017* ³²² Fair		ADL (Erlangen Test of ADL, 0-30, ↑)	IG1	6	17.9 (6.9)	255	18.2 (7.0)	NR	17.1 (7.5)	178	16.4 (8.4)	NR	ES=0.20, 0.019
Wolfs, 2008 ³¹³ Fair		IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-14, ↑)	IG1	6	17.1 (5.7)	116	18.7 (6.2)	NR	16.5 (6.1)	83	18.1 (6.3)	NR	MDC (95% CI) = -0.1 (-1.16, 1.06), NS
		IADL (Lawton and Brody IADL, 0-14, ↑)	_	12	17.1 (5.7)	113	20.2 (6.1)	NR	16.5 (6.1)	77	20.4 (6.5)	NR	MDC (95% CI) = -0.7 (-1.85, 0.46), NS

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: ADL = Activities of Daily Living; ADCS-ADL = Alzheimer's Disease Cooperative Study Activities of Daily Living 23 items; Adj MD = adjusted mean difference; B-ADL = Bayer Activities of Daily Living; Barthel Index = Barthel Index Activities of Daily Living; BL = baseline; Bristol ADL = Bristol Activities of Daily Living Scale; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; DAD = Disability Assessment for Dementia; Dem = dementia; FAQ = Functional Activities Questionnaire; FIM = Functional Independence Measure; FRSSD = Functional Rating Scale for the Symptoms of Dementia; FU = followup; IADL = Instrumental Activities of Daily Living; IDDD = Interview for Deterioration in Daily Living Activities in Dementia; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; Katz Index = Katz Index of Independence in Activities of Daily Living; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MDC = mean difference in change; mo. = months; Pop cat = population category; NR = not reported; NS = Not statistically significant; SD = standard deviation; TFLS = Texas Functional Living Scale

[†] Scale was logged prior to analysis

[‡] Standard error

Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG BL mean (SD)	IG n at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL			mean	CG mean change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p- value
Cognitive Stimulatio	n, Traini	ng, and Rehabilitation											
Amieva, 2016* ²⁷⁵ Good	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)		3	NR	151	(8.0)	NR	NR	141	33.28 (7.7)	NR	NR, 0.2161
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	24	NR	124	27.39 (9.2)	NR	NR	109	28.83 (9.5)	NR	NR, 0.1304
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG2	3	NR	144	32.97 (7.7)	NR	NR	141	33.28 (7.7)	NR	NR, 0.7987
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG2	24	NR	121	29.05 (9.2)	NR	NR	109	28.83 (9.5)	NR	NR, 0.9413
Buschert, 2011 ²⁶⁹ Fair	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	6	39.1 (7.4)	8	38.7 (7.6)	NR	33.5 (4.0)	7	32.6 (3.8)	NR	NS
	MCI	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	6	35.3 (3.8)	10	35.7 (5.1)	NR	36.6 (5.0)	12	34.7 (5.5)	NR	NS
Chapman, 2004 ²⁶⁶	Dem	QOL-AD (0-52) [‡]	IG1	4	NR	26	35.2 (NR)	NR	NR	28	36.2 (NR)	NR	NR
Fair	Dem	QOL-AD (0-52) [‡]	IG1	7	NR	26	36.0 (NR)	NR	NR	28	35.0 (NR)		NR
	Dem	QOL-AD (0-52)‡	IG1	12	NR	26	35.8 (NR)	1.05 (-1.32, 3.42)	NR	28	36.0 (NR)	1.33 (-0.51 3.17)	,ES=0.02, NS
	Dem	QOL-AD (0-52)§	IG1	4	NR	26	37.6 (NR)	NR	NR	28	37.1 (NR)	NR	NR
	Dem	QOL-AD (0-52)§	IG1	7	NR	26	38.4 (NR)	NR	NR	28	36.9 (NR)	NR	NR
	Dem	QOL-AD (0-52)§	IG1	12	NR	26	38.5 (NR)	1.77 (-0.38, 3.92)	NR	28	37.2 (NR)	0.38 (-1.14 1.90)	,ES=0.26, NS
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	4	NR	26	38.7 (NR)	NR	NR	28	37.6 (NR)	NR	NR
Chapman, 2004 ²⁶⁶	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	7	NR	26	39.5 (NR)			28	37.9 (NR)	NR	NR
Fair	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	12	NR	26	39.9 (NR)	2.05 (-0.25, 4.35)	NR	28	37.9 (NR)	-0.10 (- 2.43, 2.23)	ES=0.33 , NR, NS
Cove, 2014* ²⁷⁷ Fair	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)		3	36.43 (6.06)	21	36.45 (5.6)	NR	(5.43)	23	35.32 (5.51)	NR	NS
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)		3	36.42 (5.44)	24	35.65 (5.83)	NR	34.78 (5.43)	23	35.32 (5.51)	NR	NS
Greenaway, 2012 ²⁷¹ Fair	MCI	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	6	43.4 (6.0)	18	43.8 (6.2)	0.6 (2.4)	43.0 (5.1)	17	43.5 (4.0)	-0.6 (3.1)	Cohen's d=0.41, NS
Jeong, 2016*274	MCI	QOL-AD (0-52)	IG1	3	NR	71	NR	1.1 (4.2)	NR	76	NR	-0.3 (4.1)	NR, 0.05
Fair	MCI	QOL-AD (0-52)	IG1	9	NR	67	NR	0.7 (3.6)	NR	62	NR	-0.1 (4.7)	NR, 0.13
	MCI	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG2	3	NR	77		0.9 (2.9)	NR	76	NR	-0.3 (4.1)	NR, 0.01
	MCI	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG2	9	NR	68	NR	0.7 (3.3)		62	NR	-0.1 (4.7)	NR, 0.04
Kallio, 2018* ²⁸⁸	Dem	15D Index value (0-1)	IG1	3	0.740	76	NR	-0.040 (-	-	71	NR	-0.037 (-	NR, 0.82
Fair					(0.086)			0.058, - 0.021)	(0.083)			0.056, - 0.018)	

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	Dem	15D Index value (0-1)	IG1	9	0.740 (0.086)	76	NR	-0.048 (- 0.065, - 0.031)	0.741 (0.083)	71	NR	-0.058 (- 0.077, - 0.038)	NR, 0.61
Kurz, 2012 ²⁷² Fair	Dem	DEMQOL (28-112)‡	IG1	3	94.3 (14.6)	92	NR	-1.10 (10.40)	89.9 (15.4)	97	NR	-2.06 (13.08)	NR, 0.58
	Dem	DEMQOL (28-112)‡	IG1	9	94.3 (14.6)	83	NR	-2.75 (11.47)	89.9 (15.4)	88	NR	-4.89 (13.65)	NR, 0.28
	Dem	DEMQOL (28-112)	IG1	3	91.3 (12.4)	92	NR	0.52 (9.79)	87.5 (13.8)	97	NR	-0.03 (12.02)	NR, 0.73
	Dem	DEMQOL (28-112)	IG1	9	91.3 (12.4)	83	NR	0.67 (9.56)	87.5 (13.8)	88	NR	-2.32 (13.05)	NR, 0.09
Orrell, 2014* ²⁷⁹ Good	Dem	DEMQOL (28-112) [‡]	IG1	3	102.2 (13.5)	123	101.36 (2.67)	NR	102.2 (11.2)	113	98.12 (2.67)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=3.24 (0.29, 6.19), 0.03
Orrell, 2014* ²⁷⁹ Good	Dem	DEMQOL (28-112) [‡]		6	102.2 (13.5)	123	97.75 (3.23)	NR	102.2 (11.2)	113	96.61 (3.21)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=1.13 (- 2.24, 4.51), 0.50
	Dem	DEMQOL (28-112)	IG1	3	94.8 (10.9)	123	89.85 (2.34)	NR	95.1 (11.7)	113	90.71 (2.38)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.86 (- 3.45, 1.73), 0.54
	Dem	DEMQOL (28-112)	IG1	6	94.8 (10.9)	123	89.13 (3.55)	NR	95.1 (11.7)	113	88.83 (3.56)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.30 (- 2.70, 3.31), 0.87
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)‡	IG1	3	33.7 (5.9)	123	33.93 (1.05)	NR	33.3 (4.9)	113	32.40 (1.07)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=1.53 (0.37, 2.69), 0.01
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52) [‡]	IG1	6	33.7 (5.9)	123	34.12 (1.41)	NR	33.3 (4.9)	113	34.05 (1.41)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.07 (- 1.39, 1.53), 0.95
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	3	36.1 (4.8)	123	34.29 (1.03)	NR	36.5 (5.7)	113	33.97 (1.04)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.32 (- 0.88, 1.52), 0.54

Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	mo.	mean (SD)		IG FU mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)	at FU	CG FU mean (SD)	CG mean change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p- value
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	6	(4.8)	123	35.62 (1.43)	NR	36.5 (5.7)	113	33.84 (1.53) ^{II}	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=1.78 (- 0.01, 3.57), 0.03
Orrell, 2017* ²⁷³ Good	Dem	DEMQOL single item (1-4) [‡]	IG1	3	93.85 (11.76)	142	94.08 (10.92)	-0.47 (7.59)	92.18 (13.55)	146	94.05 (11.80)	0.32 (10.85)	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.33 (- 2.31, 1.65), 0.74
Orrell, 2017* ²⁷³ Good	Dem	DEMQOL single item (1-4) [‡]		6	(11.76)	134	95.46 (11.17)		92.18 (13.55)	139	95.12 (11.11)		Adj MD (95% CI)=0.31 (- 1.62, 2.22), 0.79
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52) [‡]	IG1	3	38.01 (5.44)	142	37.90 (5.52)	-0.36 (5.01)	37.96 (6.04)	146	38.09 (5.63)	-0.13 (4.6)	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.14 (- 1.12, 0.84), 0.78
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)‡	IG1	6	38.01 (5.44)	134	37.86 (5.13)	-0.70 (4.07)	37.96 (6.04)	139	37.71 (5.91)	-0.43 (5.13)	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.02 (- 1.04, 1.00), 0.97
Pantoni, 2017* ²⁸⁷ Fair	MCI	EQ-5D index value (-1, 1)	IG1	6	0.7 (0.3)	21	NR	0.1 (0.2)	0.7 (0.3)	22	NR	0.1 (0.2)	NR, 0.698
	MCI	EQ-5D index value (-1, 1)	IG1	12	0.7 (0.3)	21	NR	0 (0.3)	0.7 (0.3)	22	NR	0.1 (0.3)	NR, 0.647
	MCI	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	6	63.1 (18.3)	21	NR	5.2 (15.3)	67.3 (17.5)	22	NR	-2.3 (9.2)	NR, 0.057
	MCI	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	12	63.1 (18.3)	21	NR	5.0 (14.2)	67.3 (17.5)	22	NR	-4.3 (16.6)	NR, 0.056
	MCI	SF-36 MCS (0-100)	IG1	6	NR	21	NR	1.4 (5.3)	NR	22	NR	3.0 (11.4)	NR, 0.567
	MCI	SF-36 MCS (0-100)	IG1	12	NR	21	NR	1.3 (7.0)	NR	22	NR	0.2 (9.6)	NR, 0.668
	MCI	SF-36 PCS (0-100)	IG1	6		21	NR	-1.1 (6.5)	NR	22	NR	-1.9 (8.2)	NR, 0.709
	MCI	SF-36 PCS (0-100)	IG1	12		21	NR		NR	22	NR	-1.5 (10.2)	NR, 0.867
Vidovich, 2015* ²⁷⁶ Good	MCI	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	12		77	NR	0.8)	NR	77	NR	-0.9 (-1.6, - 0.1)	
	MCI	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	24	NR	67	NR	-0.1 (-0.9, 0.7)	NR	60	NR	-1.0 (-1.8, - 0.2)	NR, 0.018

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Hoffmann, 2016* ³⁰² Good	Dem	EQ-5D index value (- 0.624-1) [‡]	IG1	4	0.88 (0.12)	102	0.87 (0.12)	NR	0.86 (0.11)	88	0.85 (0.13)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=0.02 (- 0.02, 0.06), 0.300
	Dem	EQ-5D index value (- 0.624-1)	IG1	4	0.93 (0.10)	102	0.92 (0.11)	NR	0.93 (0.09)	88	0.92 (0.09)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=0.01 (- 0.02, 0.04), 0.402
	Dem	EQ-VAS (0-100)‡	IG1	4	72.9 (18.0)	102	71.1 (19.0)	NR	73.8 (17.1)	88	70.2 (17.2)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=2.0 (-2.7, 6.7), 0.406
	Dem	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	4	83.2 (13.7)	102	82.5 (15.5)	NR	83.3 (15.5)	88	80.7 (16.6)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=2.7 (-2.2, 7.7), 0.283
Lamb, 2018* ³⁰⁶ Good	Dem	EQ-5D-3L (0-1)	IG1	6	0.82 (0.20)	292	0.80 (0.21)	NR	0.85 (0.18)	139	0.83 (0.21)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.02 (- 0.01, 0.06), 0.240
	Dem	EQ-5D-3L (0-1)	IG1	12	0.82 (0.20)	261	0.81 (0.22)	NR	0.85 (0.18)	131	0.82 (0.25)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.002 (- 0.04, 0.04), 0.928
	Dem	EQ-5D-3L (0-1) [‡]	IG1	6	0.68 (0.24)	277	0.64 (0.27)	NR	0.70 (0.24)	134	0.65 (0.29)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.01 (- 0.06, 0.03), 0.53
	Dem	EQ-5D-3L (0-1) [‡]	lG1	12	0.68 (0.24)	259	0.60 (0.28)	NR	0.70 (0.24)	128	0.60 (0.32)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.02 (- 0.07, 0.03), 0.43
	Dem	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	6	NR	288	75.4 (20.6)	NR	NR	138	78.7 (18.8)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.1 (- 3.62, 3.36), 0.942
	Dem	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	12	NR	261	75.5 (19.3)	NR	NR	124	78.3 (19.4)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=1.4 (-2.58, 5.23), 0.464

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	Dem	EQ-VAS (0-100) [‡]		6	NR		(20.1)	NR	NR	135	65.4 (20.5)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.6 (-4.3, 3.1), 0.74
	Dem	EQ-VAS (0-100) [‡]		12	NR		(20.0)	NR	NR	128	65.6 (19.9)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=1.2 (-2.4, 4.8), 0.52
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	6	38.7 (5.6)	263	38.9 (6.1)	NR	39.3 (5.2)	124	39.0 (5.9)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.1 (- 0.98, 0.84), 0.879
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)		12	38.7 (5.6)		38.4 (5.8)		39.3 (5.2)		39.1 (5.7)		Adj MD (95% CI)=0.7 (-0.21, 1.65), 0.127
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52) [‡]		6	NR		31.6 (6.2)			114	31.3 (6.2)		Adj MD (95% CI)=0.1 (-0.9, 1.0), 0.89
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52) [‡]	IG1	12	NR		30.6 (6.1)			118	30.6 (6.0)		Adj MD (95% CI)=0.02 (-1.0, 1.0), 0.96
Lautenschlager, 2008 ²⁹²	MCI	SF-36 MCS (0-100)		6	NR			6.86)		85		6.01) `	NR
Good	MCI	SF-36 MCS (0-100)		12	NR			7.82)		85	NR	3.38 (1.63, 5.14)	
	MCI	SF-36 MCS (0-100)		17	NR	85		4.58 (2.38, 6.78)		85		2.74 (0.77, 4.72)	
	MCI	SF-36 PCS (0-100)		6	NR			-4.04 (- 5.71, -2.37)		85	NR	-4.40 (- 6.10, -2.70)	NR
	MCI	SF-36 PCS (0-100)		12	NR			-4.49 (- 6.03, -2.96)		85	NR	-3.73 (- 5.67, -1.79)	NR
BA. Idia a managara a sa da a	MCI	SF-36 PCS (0-100)	IG1	17	NR	85	NR	-4.85 (- 6.78, -2.92)	NR	85	NR	-4.69 (- 6.52, -2.87)	NR, 0.95
Multicomponent and Jha, 2013* ³¹⁶ Fair	MCI + Dem	EQ-5D (0-100)		6	NR		` ,	,	NR	17	66 (10)	-2.1 (NR)	NR, 0.66
	MCI + Dem	WHO-5 (0-100)		6	NR		61 (10)	18.3 (NR)		17	, ,	9.46 (NR)	NR, 0.03
Marshall, 2015* ³¹⁵ Fair	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52) [‡]	IG1	3	31.5 (6.6)	28	30.3 (7.0)	NR	33.6 (5.7)	27	32.5 (6.6)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=-0.50 (- 2.90, 1.88), NS

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	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52) [‡]	IG1	5	31.5 (6.6)		30.8 (6.7)	NR	33.6 (5.7)	24	32.9 (5.2)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=-0.31 (- 3.09, 2.47), NS
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	3	34.4 (5.8)	28	35.4 (7.2)	NR	37.5 (4.6)	27	36.3 (6.5)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=2.12 (- 0.17, 4.42), NS
	Dem	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	5	34.4 (5.8)	28	35.9 (6.3)	NR	37.5 (4.6)	24	38.7 (5.8)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=0.30 (- 2.09, 2.69), NS
Quinn, 2016* ³¹⁴ Good	Dem	EQ-5D-3L (0-1)	IG1	3	NR	13	NR	NR	NR	11	NR	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.05 (- 0.05, 0.14), NS
	Dem	EQ-5D-3L (0-1)	IG1	6	NR	13	NR	NR	NR	11	NR	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.04 (- 0.15, 0.07), NS
Wolfs, 2008 ³¹³ Fair	MCI + Dem	EQ-5D index value (0-1) [‡]	IG1	6	0.54 (0.33)		0.58 (0.33)	NR	0.54 (0.30)	83	(0.33)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=0.1 (-0.04, 0.12), NS
	MCI + Dem	1)‡	IG1	12	0.54 (0.33)		0.49 (0.35)	NR	0.54 (0.30)	77	(0.34)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=0.1 (-0.04, 0.14), NS
	MCI + Dem	EQ-VAS (0-100) [‡]	IG1	6	58.7 (20.7)		60.2 (18.3)	NR	60.0 (19.3)	83	(18.8)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=5.4 (0.29, 10.45), 0.04
* N	MCI + Dem	EQ-VAS (0-100) [‡]	IG1	12	58.7 (20.7)	113	58.3 (20.5)	NR	60.0 (19.3)	77	54.4 (21.8)	NR	MDC (95% CI)=5.2 (-0.58, 10.94), NS

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: Adj MD = adjusted mean difference; BL = baseline; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; Dem = dementia; DEMQOL = Dementia Quality of Life; EQ-5D-3L = EuroQol 5-Dimensions 3 Level; EQ-5D Index = EuroQol 5-Dimensions; EQ-VAS = EuroQol Visual Analog Scale; ES = effect size; FU = followup; IG = intervention

[†] Higher values indicate better outcomes for all instruments

[‡] Caregiver-reported

[§] Combined patient- and caregiver-reported

[|] Standard error

group; Int arm = intervention arm; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MDC = mean difference in change; mo. = months; Pop cat = population category; QOL-AD = Quality of Life in Alzheimer's Disease; NR = not reported; NS = Not statistically significant; SD = standard deviation; SF-36 MCS = Short Form 36-item, Mental Component Summary; SF-36 PCS = Short Form 36-item, Physical Component Summary; WHO-5 = World Health Organization Well-Being Index

Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Symptom (Instrument, range†)	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG BL mean (SD)	IG n at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)	CG n at FU	CG FU mean (SD)	CG mean change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p- value
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Amieva, 2016* ²⁷⁵ Good	Dem	Dep (MADRS, 0-60)	IG1	3	NR	151	10.65 (9.9)	NR	NR	141	8.82 (9.1)	NR	NR, 0.0590
	Dem	Dep (MADRS, 0-60)	IG1	24	NR	124	20.21 (17.2)	NR	NR	109	18.51 (17.1)	NR	NR, 0.3127
	Dem	Dep (MADRS, 0-60)	IG2	3	NR	144	10.00 (9.9)	NR	NR	141	8.82 (9.1)	NR	NR, 0.3221
	Dem	Dep (MADRS, 0-60)	IG2	24	NR	121	16.82 (16.4)	NR	NR	109	18.51 (17.1)	NR	NR, 0.4953
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	3	NR	151	25.34 (28.8)	NR	NR	141	23.29 (28.4)	NR	NR, 0.2224
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	24	NR	124	41.52 (32.1)	NR	NR	109	39.31 (32.3)	NR	NR, 0.5313
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG2	3	NR	144	24.64 (29.2)	NR	NR	141	23.29 (28.4)	NR	NR, 0.6847
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG2	24	NR	121	34.44 (32.8)	NR	NR	109	39.31 (32.3)	NR	NR, 0.0808
Belleville, 2018* ²⁸⁹ Fair	MCI	Anx (GAI, 0-20)	IG1	3	4.92 (5.04)	36	5.42 (5.06)	NR	5.38 (5.06)	38	4.32 (4.83)	NR	NS
	MCI	Anx (GAI, 0-20)	IG1	6	4.92 (5.04)	36	4.56 (5.14)	NR	5.38 (5.06)	38	4.73 (5.18)	NR	NS
	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	3	3.00 (3.11)	36	3.39 (3.47)	NR	3.23 (2.82)	38	3.47 (2.45)	NR	NS
	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	6	3.00 (3.11)	36	2.67 (3.29)	NR	3.23 (2.82)	38	3.27 (2.24)	NR	NS
Bergamaschi, 2013* ²⁸⁰ Fair	Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)	IG1	12	NR	16	30.44 (4.87)	NR	NR	16	26.75 (7.73)	NR	NS
Buschert, 2011 ²⁶⁹	MCI	Dep (MADRS, 0-60)	IG1	6	3.6 (2.6)	10	0.7 (1.3)	NR	3.7 (5.9)	12	3.8 (6.1)	NR	NR, <0.01
Fair	Dem	Dep (MADRS, 0-60)	IG1	6	3.1 (4.1)		1.6 (3.4)	NR	4.3 (4.0)		4.7 (4.0)	NR	NR, 0.09
Cavallo, 2016* ²⁸⁴ Good	Dem	Dep (HADS-D, 0-21)	IG1	3	6.87 (2.41)	38	6.42 (2.21)	NR	6.05 (2.31)	38	6.35 (2.21)	NR	NS
	Dem	Dep (HADS-D, 0-21)	IG1	6	6.87 (2.41)	38	NR	NR	6.05 (2.31)	38	NR	NR	NS
	Dem	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21)	IG1	3	8.60 (2.77)	38	7.65 (2.41)	NR	7.97 (1.29)	38	7.57 (1.33)	NR	NS
Cavallo, 2016* ²⁸⁴ Good	Dem	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21)	IG1	6	8.60 (2.77)	38	NR	NR	7.97 (1.29)	38	NR	NR	NS
Chapman, 2004 ²⁶⁶	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	4	NR	26	11.4 (NR)NR	NR	28	12.4 (NR)		NR
Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	7	NR	26	10.4 (NR)NR	NR	28	13.4 (NR)	NR	NR

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	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	12	NR	26	10.2 (NR)	7.76, 3.26)	NR	28	, ,	7.87)	ES=0.36, NS
Greenaway, 2012 ²⁷¹ Fair	MCI	Dep (CES-D, 0-60)	IG1	6	NR	18	8.7 (10.0)	-0.3 (5.8)	NR	17	8.1 (6.1)	-0.5 (3.7)	Cohen's d=0.03, NS
Jeong, 2016*274	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	3	NR	71	NR	-0.4 (2.7)	NR	76	NR	-0.2 (2.9)	NR, 0.11
Fair	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	9	NR	67	NR	-0.1 (2.6)	NR	62	NR	-0.5 (3.3)	NR, 0.24
	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)		3	NR	77	NR	-0.8 (2.5)	NR	76	NR	-0.2 (2.9)	NR, 0.20
	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)		9	NR	68	NR	-0.7 (2.5)	NR	62	NR	-0.5 (3.3)	NR, 0.33
	MCI	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	3	4.7 (8.4)	71	NR	-1.8 (7.1)	4.1 (5.3)	76	NR	1.3 (9.1)	NR, 0.07
	MCI	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	9	4.7 (8.4)	67	NR	-1.6 (8.8)	4.1 (5.3)	62	NR	1.5 (8.9)	NR, 0.03
	MCI	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)		3	3.4 (4.9)	77	NR	0.9 (5.6)	4.1 (5.3)	76	NR	1.3 (9.1)	NR, 0.45
	MCI	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG2	9	3.4 (4.9)	68	NR	-0.6 (5.0)	4.1 (5.3)	62	NR	1.5 (8.9)	NR, 0.16
Kurz, 2012 ²⁷² Fair	Dem	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	3	8.54 (4.83)	92	NR	-1.58 (3.83)	9.25 (5.47)	97	NR	-0.75 (4.13)	NR, 0.16
	Dem	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	9	8.54 (4.83)	83	NR	-1.23 (4.48)	(5.47)	88	NR	-0.41 (3.86)	NR, 0.20
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-12)	IG1	3	6.77 (6.798)	92	NR	0.11 (6.429)	7.94 (7.802)	97	NR	-1.38 (6.087)	NR, 0.103
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-12)	IG1	9	6.77 (6.798)	83	NR	1.16 (8.658)	7.94 (7.802)	88	NR	0.42 (6.874)	NR, 0.539
Olazaran, 2004 ²⁶⁵ Fair	MCI + Dem	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	3	3.0 (0.3) [‡]	40	NR	0 (NR)	3.4 (0.4) [‡]	40	NR	-0.5 (NR)	NS
	MCI + Dem	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	6	3.0 (0.3) [‡]	40	NR	0 (NR)	3.4 (0.4) [‡]	40	NR	-0.5 (NR)	NS
	MCI + Dem	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	12	3.0 (0.3) [‡]	40	NR	-0.5 (NR)	3.4 (0.4) [‡]	40	NR	0.25 (NR)	NR, 0.05
Orrell, 2014* ²⁷⁹ Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG1	3	NR	123	14.71 (2.84) [‡]	NR	NR	113	16.18 (2.76) [‡]	NR	Adj MD=1.47 (-1.59, 4.53), 0.34
	Dem	NPS (NPI-10, 0-120)	IG1	6	NR	123	18.76 (3.78) [‡]	NR	NR	113	20.35 (3.94) [‡]	NR	Adj MD=1.58 (-2.67, 5.84), 0.53
Orrell, 2017* ²⁷³ Good	Dem	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	3	NR	142	2.98 (2.56)	-0.14 (1.98)	NR	146	3.03 (2.86)	0.11 (2.24)	Adj MD=-0.09 (-0.56, 0.38), 0.71
	Dem	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	6	NR	134	2.90 (2.55)	-0.11 (1.94)	NR	139	2.85 (2.67)	-0.09 (2.7)	Adj MD= 0.02(-0.51, 0.47), 0.94

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	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)		3	11.21 (13.96)	142	10.67 (13.30)	0.21 (11.05)	(11.98)	146	12.07 (12.61))Adj MD=1.45 (-3.68, 0.76), 0.20
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	11.21 (13.96)	134	11.57 (13.72)	1.14 (11.72)	(11.98)	139	11.59 (12.80)	1.40 (10.1)	Adj MD=0.32 (-2.78, 2.12), 0.79
Pantoni, 2017*287	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	6	4.6 (4.0)		NR	-0.1 (2.1)	4.9 (3.8)		NR	-0.8 (2.9)	NR, 0.393
Fair	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	12	4.6 (4.0)		NR	-0.1 (2.9)	4.9 (3.8)		NR	-0.7 (2.5)	NR, 0.448
Vidovich, 2015* ²⁷⁶ Good	MCI	Dep (PHQ-9, 0-27)	IG1	12	NR	77	NR	0.1 (-0.9, 1.1)	NR	77	NR	-0.4 (-1.3, 0.4)	NR
	MCI	Dep (PHQ-9, 0-27)	IG1	24	NR	67	NR	-0.4 (-1.2, 0.5)	NR	60	NR	-0.2 (-1.0, 0.6)	NR, 0.953
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Ho, 2018* ³⁰⁸ Fair	MCI + Dem	Dep (GDS-4, 0-4)	IG1	3	0.8 (1.1)	69	0.6 (0.9)	NR	0.9 (1.1)	68	1.2 (1.2)	NR	Beta (SE)=- 0.51 (0.19), <0.01
	MCI + Dem	Dep (GDS-4, 0-4)	IG1	6	0.8 (1.1)	69	0.7 (1.0)	NR	0.9 (1.1)	68	1.1 (1.1)	NR	NS
	MCI + Dem	Dep (GDS-4, 0-4)	IG1	12	0.8 (1.1)	69	0.7 (1.0)	NR	0.9 (1.1)	68	1.0 (1.0)	NR	NS
	MCI + Dem	Dep (GDS-4, 0-4)	IG2	3	1.1 (1.2)	67	1.0 (1.2)	NR	0.9 (1.1)	68	1.2 (1.2)	NR	Beta (SE)=- 0.30 (0.20), 0.13
	MCI + Dem	Dep (GDS-4, 0-4)	IG2	6	1.1 (1.2)	67	1.3 (1.3)	NR	0.9 (1.1)	68	1.1 (1.1)	NR	NS
	MCI + Dem	Dep (GDS-4, 0-4)	IG2	12	1.1 (1.2)	67	1.2 (1.4)	NR	0.9 (1.1)		1.0 (1.0)	NR	NS
	MCI + Dem	NPS (NPI-Q-12, 0-36)		3	3.1 (3.7)		2.5 (4.4)	NR	2.8 (4.6)			NR	Beta (SE)=0.01 (0.65), 0.98
	MCI + Dem	NPS (NPI-Q-12, 0-36)	IG1	6	3.1 (3.7)	69	2.7 (3.9)	NR	2.8 (4.6)	68	1.5 (2.5)	NR	NS
	MCI + Dem	NPS (NPI-Q-12, 0-36)	IG1	12	3.1 (3.7)	69	2.8 (4.5)	NR	2.8 (4.6)	68	1.7 (2.7)	NR	NS
	MCI + Dem	NPS (NPI-Q-12, 0-36)	IG2	3	2.6 (4.1)	67	2.8 (4.7)	NR	2.8 (4.6)	68	2.2 (3.0)	NR	Beta (SE)=1.04 (0.63), 0.10
	MCI + Dem	NPS (NPI-Q-12, 0-36)	IG2	6	2.6 (4.1)	67	2.8 (3.7)	NR	2.8 (4.6)	68	1.5 (2.5)	NR	NS

Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Symptom (Instrument, range [†])		mo.	mean (SD)	at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	mean (SD)	at FU	CG FU mean (SD)	CG mean change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p- value
	MCI + Dem	NPS (NPI-Q-12, 0-36)	IG2	12	2.6 (4.1)		2.5 (4.5)	NR	2.8 (4.6)		1.7 (2.7)	NR	NS
Hoffmann, 2016*302 Good	Dem	Dep (HDRS, 0-52)	IG1	4	1.9 (2.6)	102	1.7 (2.5)	NR	2.0 (2.5)	88	1.8 (2.3)	NR	MDC=-0.1 (- 0.7, 0.5), 0.791
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	4	10.0 (10.8)	102	8.8 (8.5)	NR	9.4 (9.7)	88	11.4 (11.0)	NR	MDC=-3.5 (- 5.8, -1.3), 0.002
Holthoff, 2015*303 Fair	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	3	NR	15	10.05 (1.26) [‡]	NR	NR	15	15.71 (1.26) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=5.66 (- 9.28, -2.03), NR
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	NR	13	10.40 (1.38) [‡]	NR	NR	14	16.09 (1.29) [‡]	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=5.69 (- 9.55, -1.83), <0.05
Lam, 2011 ²⁹³	MCI			5	0.9 (1.8)			NR	0.8 (1.8)			NR	NS
Fair	MCI			5	0.6 (0.9)	135	0.5 (0.9)	NR	0.6 (0.9)	194	0.7 (1.0)	NR	NS
Lamb, 2018* ³⁰⁶ Good	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	12.8 (15.0)	234	15.2 (16.1)	NR	13.3 (13.2)	110	14.8 (15.6)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.5 (- 3.08, 2.05), 0.695
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	12	12.8 (15.0)	215	16.2 (15.9)	NR	13.3 (13.2)	105	13.5 (13.1)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-2.1 (- 4.83, 0.65), 0.135
Lautenschlager, 2008 ²⁹²	MCI	Dep (BDI, 0-63)	IG1	6	NR	85	NR	-0.94 (- 1.77, -0.12)	NR	85	NR	-0.75 (- 1.62, 0.13)	NR
Good	MCI	Dep (BDI, 0-63)	IG1	12	NR	85	NR	-0.75 (- 1.62, 0.12)	NR	85	NR	-0.44 (- 1.29, 0.40)	NR
	MCI	Dep (BDI, 0-63)	IG1	17	NR	85	NR	-0.46 (- 1.47, 0.55)	NR	85	NR	-0.51 (- 1.44, 0.42)	NR, 0.44
Lazarou, 2017* ²⁹⁹ Fair	MCI	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)		10	3.18 (4.91)	66	1.78 (2.28)	NR	(4.04)	63	3.76 (4.84)	NR	NR, 0.02
Marshall, 2015* ³¹⁵ Fair	Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)		3	11 (39.3)§	28	12 (42.8) [§]	NR	7 (25.9)§	27	, ,		NR
	Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)	IG1	5	11 (39.3)§	28	7 (25.0)§	NR	7 (25.9)§	24	6 (25.0)§	NR	NR
Morris, 2017* ³⁰¹ Good	MCI + Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)	IG1	3	8.6 (5.1)	36	8.4 (4.6)	NR	7.4 (3.8)	37	8.1 (4.4)	NR	NR

Author, year Quality	Pop cat	Symptom (Instrument, range [†])		mo.	(SD)		IG FU mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	mean (SD)	at FU	(SD)	BL	Between group difference, p- value
	MCI + Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)	IG1	6	8.6 (5.1)	34	7.8 (5.2)	NR	7.4 (3.8)	34	7.8 (4.4)	NR	ES=0.98 (- 2.65, 0.69), 0.51
Pitkälä, 2013* ²⁹⁰ Good	Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)	IG1	12	NR	57	NR	1.35 (0.14, 2.66)	NR	59	NR	0.04 (-1.56 1.40)	NR, 0.81
	Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)	IG2	12	NR	63	NR	0.5 (-0.67, 1.54)	NR	59	NR	0.04 (-1.56 1.40)	NR, 0.81
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG2	6	NR	63	NR	2.73 (1.08, 5.05)	NR	59	NR	0.64 (-2.23 3.46)	NR, 0.41
	Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	NR	61	NR	0.88 (-1.30, 2.84)	,NR	65	NR	0.64 (-2.23 3.46)	NR, 0.41
Vreugdenhil, 2012 ²⁹⁸ Fair	Dem	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	4	2.6 (1.7)	20	2.0 (1.5)		2.3 (1.4)	20	2.3 (1.4)	0.2 (0.3)‡	NR, 0.071
Multicomponent and	Other	Interventions			•								
Bae, 2019* ³²⁰ Fair	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	6	2.9 (2.2)	41	NR	-0.11 (- 0.84, 0.61)	2.9 (2.7)	42	NR	0.36 (-0.32, 1.04)	NR, 0.35
Belleville, 2018* ²⁸⁹ Fair	MCI	Anx (GAI, 0-20)	IG1	3	5.42 (4.75)	40	5.75 (4.74)	NR	5.38 (5.06)	38	4.32 (4.83)	NR	NS
	MCI	Anx (GAI, 0-20)	IG1	6	5.42 (4.75)	31	5.52 (5.55)	NR	5.38 (5.06)	38	4.73 (5.18)	NR	NS
	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	3	3.56 (3.17)	40	3.38 (3.19)	NR	3.23 (2.82)	38	3.47 (2.45)	NR	NS
	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	6	3.56 (3.17)	31	3.36 (2.92)	NR	3.23 (2.82)	38	3.27 (2.24)	NR	NS
Burgener, 2008 ³¹² Fair	Dem	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	5	NR	19	3.3 (2.9)	0.4 (NR)	NR	14	4.3 (3.4)	0.9 (NR)	NR, 0.37
Jha, 2013* ³¹⁶ Fair	MCI + Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)	IG1	6	NR	16	4.0 (1.7)	-2.56 (NR)	NR	17	4.5 (1.8)	-2.53 (NR)	NR, 0.38
Marshall, 2015* ³¹⁵ Fair	Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)	IG1	3	NR	28	6.7 (4.2)	NR	NR	27	5.0 (4.5)	NR	MDC=0.11 (- 2.02, 2.25),
	Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)	IG1	5	NR	28	7.0 (4.6)	NR	NR	24	5.4 (4.0)	NR	MDC=0.29 (- 2.08, 2.67),
Quinn, 2016* ³¹⁴ Good	Dem	Dep (HDRS, 0-21)	IG1	6	NR	13	NR	NR	NR	11	NR	NR	Adj MD:0.96 (- 1.58, 3.49), NS
	Dem	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21)	IG1	3	NR	13	NR	NR	NR	11	NR	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.8 (-3.07, 1.47), NS

Quality	Pop cat	Symptom (Instrument, range [†])	Int arm	Time, mo.	_	IG n at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)		CG FU mean (SD)	CG mean change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p- value
Quinn, 2016* ³¹⁴ Good	Dem	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21)	IG1	6	NR	13	NR	NR	NR	11	NR	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=1.14 (- 3.41, 1.13), NS
Richard, 2009 ³¹⁷ Fair	Dem	NPS (RMBPC, Total freq, 0-100)	IG1	12	25.5 (10.3)	57	30.3 (13.6)	NR	26.1 (9.9)	48	31.9 (12.5)	NR	NS
	Dem	NPS (RMBPC, Total freq, 0-100)	IG1	24	25.5 (10.3)	50	31.1 (14.7)	11.17 (13.1)	26.1 (9.9)	44	37.3 (15.4)	6.63 (12.8)	MDC=4.54 (- 1.39, 10.49), 0.35
Rovner, 2018* ³¹⁸ Good	MCI	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15)	IG1	24	3.7 (3.1)	111	NR	-0.07 (- 0.33, 0.18)	3.2 (3.0)	110	NR	-0.14 (- 0.38, 0.10)	Beta (95% CI)=0.07 (- 0.28, 0.41), 0.709
Straubmeier, 2017*322 Fair	MCI + Dem	NPS (NPI-Q-12, 0-36)	IG1	6	5.2 (2.7)	208	NR	0.16 (1.8)	5.3 (2.7)	154	NR	-0.27 (1.9)	ES=0.23, 0.055
Wolfs, 2008 ³¹³ Fair	MCI + Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)	IG1	6	7.9 (4.3)	116	7.2 (4.7)	NR	7.4 (3.8)	83	7.9 (5.0)	NR	MDC=-1.3 (- 2.62, 0.07), NS
	MCI + Dem	Dep (CSDD, 0-38)	IG1	12	7.9 (4.3)	113	7.5 (5.0)	NR	7.4 (3.8)	77	7.8 (4.9)	NR	MDC=-0.8 (- 2.24, 0.69), NS
	MCI + Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	6	23.4 (15.6)	116	24.3 (18.5)	NR	22.6 (16.5)	83	27.3 (20.8)	NR	MDC=-4.0 (- 8.46, 0.54), NS
	MCI + Dem	NPS (NPI-12, 0-144)	IG1	12	23.4 (15.6)	113	28.4 (20.8)	NR	22.6 (16.5)	77	29.0 (21.0)	NR	MDC=-1.2 (- 6.06, 3.63), NS

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: Anx = Anxiety; BDI = Beck Dep Inventory; BL = baseline; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; CSDD = Cornell Scale for Depression in Dementia; Dem = dementia; freq. = frequency; Dep = depression; FU = followup; GDS-15 = Geriatric Depression Scale-15 item; HADS-A = Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale - Anxiety subscale; HADS-A = Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale - Depression subscale; HDRS = Hamilton Depression Rating Scale; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; MADRS = Montgomery-Åsberg Depression Rating Scale; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MDC = mean difference in change; mo. = months; NPI-10 = Neuropsychiatric Inventory-10 item; NPI-12 = Neuropsychiatric Inventory-12 item; NPS = Composite neuropsychiatric symptoms; NR = not reported; PHQ-9 = Patient Health Quesionnaire-9 item; Pop cat = population category; RMBPC = Revised Memory and Behavior Problems Checklist; SD = standard deviation

[†] Lower values indicate better outcomes for all instruments

[‡] Standard error

[§] N (%) participants with CSDD score ≥7 (indicator for clinically significant levels of depression)

Author, year Quality		Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	Time, mo.		IG n at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL			CG FU mean (SD)	change (SD)	Between group difference, p- value
Psychoeducation Interventions													
Berwig, 2017* ³²⁷ Fair		RMBPC Disruptive behaviors (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	6	21.1 (9.1)		NR	-5.461 (7.257)	16.6 (9.6)	40	NR	2.342 (6.379)	ES=1.144, 0.000
		RMBPC Disruptive behaviors (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	9	21.1 (9.1)	31	NR	-6.173 (7.865)	16.6 (9.6)	31	NR	3.243 (6.999)	ES=1.267, 0.000
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	6	32.5 (12.8)	41	NR	-0.425 (8.409)	28.16 (12.5)	40	NR	7.047 (8.093)	ES=0.906, 0.000
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	9	32.5 (12.8)		NR	2.669 (8.858)	(12.5)	31	NR	8.102 (8.576)	ES=0.623, 0.017
Brennan, 1995 ³²⁸ Fair		Impact of Caregiving Scale (Emotional Impact) (NR)	lG1	12	11.4 (3.2)	47	11.0 (3.4)	NR	11.6 (2.0)	49	10.9 (2.5)	NR	NR, 0.65
		Impact of Caregiving Scale (Physical Impact) (NR)	lG1	12	10.8 (3.3)	47	11.4 (4.0)	NR	10.5 (3.5)	49	11.6 (3.9)	NR	NR, 0.47
	Caregiver	Impact of Caregiving Scale (Relational Impact) (NR)	IG1	12	12.2 (3.5)	47	12.1 (3.9)	NR	12.0 (3.4)	49	11.5 (3.3)	NR	NR, 0.63
	Caregiver	Impact of Caregiving Scale (Social Impact) (NR)	IG1	12	13.7 (2.1)	47	12.8 (3.2)	NR	14.0 (2.3)	49	12.9 (2.7)	NR	NR, 0.56
Burgio, 2003 ³³⁰ Fair		RMBPC (average burden) (0-4)	IG1 (Black)	6	1.35 (1.10)	20	0.91 (0.88)	NR	1.73 (1.18)	20	1.77 (1.14)	NR	NR
		RMBPC (average burden) (0-4)	IG1 (White)	6	1.62 (1.06)	27	1.54 (1.02)	NR	1.50 (0.88)	29	1.15 (0.83)	NR	NR
		RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	6	19.0 (15.9)	47	13.6 (1.7)	NR	19.9 (15.9)	52	15.0 (1.7)	NR	NR, 0.52
Chu, 2011 ³³² Fair		CBI (0-96)	IG1	3	79.79 (NR)	30	75.03 (NR)	NR	76.01 (NR)	30	75.00 (NR)	NR	NR, 0.16
	Caregiver	CBI (0-96)	IG1	4	79.79 (NR)	30	77.29 (NR)	NR	76.01 (NR)	30	76.22 (NR)	NR	NR, 0.36

Author, year Quality	Audience	Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	mo. ´	(SD)	at FU	(SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	(SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	CG mean change (SD) from BL	group difference, p- value
Cristancho- Lacroix, 2015*334		burden) (0-4)	IG1	3	2.2 (0.4)		2.2 (0.6)	0.0 (0.4)	2.2 (0.6)	24	, ,	-0.1 (0.5)	
Fair	Caregiver	RMBPC (average burden) (0-4)	IG1	6	2.2 (0.4)	25	2.3 (0.5)	NR	2.2 (0.6)		2.1 (0.6)		NS
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	3	38.0 (14.5)	25	38.3 (14.9)	0.3 (6.6)	35.0 (15.0)	24	33.5 (15.3)	-1.5 (6.1)	NR, 0.74
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	6	38.0 (14.5)	25	39.6 (15.7)	NR	35.0 (15.0)	24	34.8 (15.9)	NR	NS
De Rotrou, 2011 ³³⁵ Fair	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	3	23.0 (14.2)	62	22.2 (12.5)	NR	24.3 (16.9)	64	23.6 (17.0)	NR	MD=0.55, NR
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	6	23.0 (14.2)	55	23.0 (14.6)	NR	24.3 (16.9)	56	26.5 (17.0)	NR	MD=0.25, NR
Finkel, 2007 ³³⁸ Fair	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	6	15.7 (NR)	13	10.4 (NR)	NR	15.7 (NR)	12	16.9 (NR)	NR	Cohen's D: 0.77, 0.089
Fung, 2002* ³³⁹ Fair	Caregiver	NPI-12 (0-60)	IG1	4	47.20 (10.11)	26	36.80 (9.38)	NR	47.87 (12.68)	26	42.49 (13.56)	NR	F statistic=5.099, 0.003
Gallagher- Thompson,	Caregiver	RMBPC (average burden) (0-4)	IG1 (Hispanic)	6	(14.39)	32	13.69 (1.85)	NR	16.02 (9.24)	14	16.35 (2.81)	NR	NR
2003 ³⁴⁰ Fair	Caregiver	RMBPC (average burden) (0-4)	IG1 (White)	6	19.27 (10.68)	41	14.69 (1.29)	NR	19.22 (14.08)		15.50 (1.94)	NR	NR
Gallagher- Thompson,	Caregiver	RMBPC (average burden) (0-4)	IG1 (Hispanic)	6	1.30 (1.05)	47	1.24 (0.85)	NR	1.22 (0.93)	42	1.15 (0.84)	NR	NR
2008 ³⁴¹ Fair	Caregiver	RMBPC (average burden) (0-4)	IG1 (White)	6	1.58 (0.95)	50	1.24 (0.84)	NR	1.61 (0.64)	45	1.57 (0.65)	NR	NR
Gallagher- Thompson, 2010* ³⁴² Good	Caregiver	RMBPC (average burden) (0-4)	IG1	4	1.60 (0.62)	36	1.23 (0.41)	NR	1.56 (0.65)	34	1.54 (0.61)	NR	Beta=-0.286, 0.012
Gaugler, 2013* ³⁴⁴ Fair	Family	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	8	27.25 (14.38)	54	NR	NR	25.07 (14.00)	53	NR	NR	Beta (SE)=- 3.26 (2.21), NS
	Family	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	12	27.25 (14.38)	54	NR	NR	25.07 (14.00)	53	NR	NR	Beta (SE)=- 2.16 (0.67), <0.01
	Family	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	18	27.25 (14.38)	54	NR	NR	25.07 (14.00)	53	NR	NR	Beta (SE)=- 1.82 (1.19), NS
Gaugler, 2013* ³⁴⁴ Fair	Family	RMBPC Depressive behaviors (total burden) (0-36)	IG1	8		54	NR	NR		53	NR	NR	Beta (SE)=- 0.62 (1.33), NS

Author, year Quality		(range) [†]	Int arm	mo.	IG BL mean (SD)	at FU	(SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	(SD)	at FU	CG FU mean (SD)	(SD) from BL	group difference, p- value
	Family	Depressive behaviors (total burden) (0-36)	IG1	12	11.68 (7.97)	54	NR	NR	(8.31)	53	NR		Beta (SE)=- 1.58 (0.98), NS
	Family	Depressive behaviors (total burden) (0-36)	IG1	18	11.68 (7.97)	54	NR	NR	10.43 (8.31)	53	NR		Beta (SE)=- 0.44 (0.66), NS
	Family	RMBPC Disruptive behaviors (total burden) (0-32)		8	7.90 (6.07)	54	NR	NR	6.08 (5.00)	53	NR		Beta (SE)=- 3.23 (1.00), <0.01
	Family	RMBPC Disruptive behaviors (total burden) (0-32)		12	7.90 (6.07)	54	NR	NR	6.08 (5.00)	53	NR		Beta (SE)=- 2.27 (0.71), <0.01
	Family	RMBPC Disruptive behaviors (total burden) (0-32)		18	7.90 (6.07)	54	NR	NR	6.08 (5.00)	53	NR		Beta (SE)=- 1.34 (0.43), <0.01
	Family	problems (total burden) (0-28)	IG1	8	8.04 (5.15)	54	NR	NR	8.56 (5.43)	53	NR		Beta (SE)=- 0.48 (0.76), NS
	Family	problems (total burden) (0-28)	IG1	12	8.04 (5.15)	54	NR	NR	8.56 (5.43)	53	NR		Beta (SE)=- 0.48 (0.56), NS
	Family	problems (total burden) (0-28)	IG1	18	8.04 (5.15)	54	NR	NR	8.56 (5.43)	53	NR		Beta (SE)=- 0.20 (0.42), NS
Gitlin, 2001 ³⁴⁵ Fair	Caregiver	(0-1)	IG1	3	0.48 (0.27)	93	0.43 (0.31)	NR	0.47 (0.30)	78	0.45 (0.29)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.02 (- 0.09, 0.05), 0.50
Gitlin, 2003 ³⁴⁷ Fair	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	6	15.76 (13.84)	89	12.09 (1.00)	NR	13.90 (13.87)	102	14.16 (0.93)	NR	NR, 0.12
Gitlin, 2003 ³⁴⁷ Fair	Caregiver	RMBPC Disruptive behaviors (average burden) (0-4)		6	0.53 (0.53)	89	0.43 (0.50)	NR	0.56 (0.66)	101	0.50 (0.67)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.05 (- 0.19, 0.09), 0.47
	Caregiver	RMBPC Memory problems (average burden) (0-4)	lG1	6	0.81 (0.86)	89	0.65 (0.75)	NR	0.72 (0.77)	101	0.78 (0.85)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.17 (- 0.35, -0.02), 0.03

Author, year Quality		Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	mo.	mean (SD)	at FU	(SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	(SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	(SD) from BL	group difference, p- value
Gitlin, 2008 ³⁴⁶ Fair	+ patient	RMBPC (average burden) (1-8)	IG1	4	(1.9)		4.5 (1.8)	NR	4.6 (3.0)	29	4.8 (2.5)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.01 (- 1.21, 1.18), 0.98
	+ patient	Zarit-10 (0-40)	IG1	4	(9.0)		20.3 (8.8)	NR	21.3 (9.2)	29	20.6 (10.4)		Adj MD (95% CI)=0.75 (- 3.36, 4.85), 0.72
Gitlin, 2010 ³⁴⁸ Fair		Zarit-12 (0-48)	IG1	4	(9.5)		19.0 (8.5)	NR	22.0 (9.6)		21.0 (9.3)		MD (95% CI)=- 1.37 (-2.75, - 0.01), 0.05
		Zarit-12 (0-48)	IG1		(9.5)	114	19.1 (9.0)	NR	22.0 (9.6)		21.3 (9.8)	NR	MD (95% CI)=- 1.61 (-3.13, - 0.09), 0.04
Hebert, 2003 ³⁵⁰ Fair		RMBPC (average burden) (0-4)	IG1	4	2.01 (0.75)	60	1.77 (0.74)	-0.28 (0.55)	2.18 (0.69)	56	2.07 (0.72)	-0.10 (0.60)	NR, 0.04
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	4	42.47 (14.63)	60	40.07 (14.84)	-2.40 (14.96)	41.44 (15.16)	56	41.25 (16.55)	0.09 (11.99)	NR, 0.39
Hepburn, 2005 ³⁵¹ Fair	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	6	34.8 (12.5)	120	36.2 (12.2)	1.2 (8.1)	32.0 (13.7)	46	34.9 (14.5)	3.5 (7.9)	NR, 0.25
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	12	34.8 (12.5)	91	37.0 (13.9)	1.9 (10.8)	32.0 (13.7)	40	37.0 (12.7)	5.0 (10.5)	NR, 0.21
Kwok, 2013* ³⁵⁶ Fair	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	3	37.4 (8.66)	18	35.6 (7.52)	-1.83 (5.26)	34.1 (13.3)	20	36.4 (11.4)	2.25 (7.09)	NR, 0.002
Martin-Carrasco, 2009 ³⁶²	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (22-110)	IG1	4	62.0 (14.9)	4	56.6 (16.4)	NR	58.4 (15.9)	38	58.3 (16.7)	NR	NR, 0.6
Fair	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (22-110)	IG1	10	62.0 (14.9)	44	54.0 (15.9)	-8.1 (17.3)	58.4 (15.9)	38	60.5 (16.6)	2.1 (16.5)	NR, 0.08
Martin-Carrasco, 2014* ³⁶¹ Fair	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	4	33.9 (14.5)	115	NR	-1.17 (12.3)	34.0 (14.4)	123	NR	(12.0)	MDC (95% CI)=-0.55 (- 3.64, 2.55), 0.73
Martin-Cook, 2005 ³⁶³ Fair	+ patient	NPI-10 (1-114)	IG1	4	13.29 (13.90)	24	10.63 (2.53) [‡]	NR	12.48 (11.33)	23	10.41 (2.64) [‡]	NR	NS
Martindale-Adams 2013*364		RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	3	(13.7)	77	17.7 (12.0)	NR	26.4 (18.0)	77	22.4 (16.2)	NR	NR
Fair		RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	6	21.0 (13.7)	77	17.0 (12.4)	NR	26.4 (18.0)	77	22.6 (17.2)	NR	NR

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	Caregiver	RMBPC (total	IG1	9	21.0	77	15.1	NR	26.4	77	19.0	NR	NR
	Caregiver	burden) (0-96) RMBPC (total	IG1	12	(13.7) 21.0	77	(10.7) 18.6	NR	(18.0) 26.4	77	(13.3) 21.7	NR	Cohen's D:
	Caregiver	burden) (0-96)	IG I	12	(13.7)	/ /	(14.1)	INIX	20. 4 (18.0)	<i>' '</i>	(16.5)	INK	0.07, 0.875
	Caregiver	Zarit-12 (0-48)	IG1	6	16.4	77	15.6	NR	17.7	77	15.6	NR	NR
	Carogivor	Zant 12 (0 10)			(8.3)	ľ .	(7.9)		(9.1)	ľ .	(9.3)		1111
	Caregiver	Zarit-12 (0-48)	IG1	12	16.4	77	14.5	NR	17.7	77	15.3	NR	Cohen's D:
					(8.3)		(6.6)		(9.1)		(9.1)		0.07, 0.708
Mittelman, 2004* ³⁶⁵ Fair	Family	MBPC (average) (NR)	IG1	48	22.3 (13.8)	203	ŇR	NR	24.8 (17.0)	203	NR	NR	logBeta (SE)=- 1.86 (0.89), 0.0368
Ostwald, 1999 ³⁶⁷ Fair	Caregiver + patient	RMBPC Disruptive behaviors (average burden) (0-32)	IG1	3	6.8 (6.3)	53	5.0 (5.4)	NR	5.2 (5.1)	31	4.4 (4.2)		NR
	Caregiver + patient	behaviors (average	IG1	5	6.8 (6.3)	60	4.148 (4.358)	NR	5.2 (5.1)	34	5.790 (4.366)	NR	F statistic=5.734,
		burden) (0-32)											0.019
		Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	3	56.2	50	56.8	NR	56.5	30	55.4	NR	NR
	+ patient				(13.3)		(11.8)		(15.9)		(15.9)		
	Caregiver + patient	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	5	56.2 (13.3)	60	53.9 (12.4)	NR	56.5 (15.9)	34	59.4 (5.6)	NR	NR, 0.05
Roberts, 1999 ³⁶⁸ Fair	Caregiver	PAIS (NR)	IG1	12	42.2 (16.5)	29	42.9 (17.1)	NR	47.5 (21.7)	29	46.1 (23.5)	NR	NR, 0.55
Spaulding-Wilson, 2018* ³⁷⁰ Fair	Caregiver	CBI (0-96)	IG1	6	34.9 (15.3)	54	NR	NR	34.3 (12.2)	41	NR	NR	Beta (SE)=- 0.448 (0.53), 0.397
Steffen, 2016*371 Good	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	3	19.3 (0)	28	10.7 (1.4)	NR	19.3 (0)	38	14.5 (1.2)	NR	Cohen's D: 0.05, ≤0.05
	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	9	19.3 (0)	22	10.1 (1.8)	NR	19.3 (0)	30	13.3 (1.5)	NR	NR, 0.18
Teri, 2005 ³⁷² Fair	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	6	11.3 (3.9)	32	9.2 (4.6)	NR	10.5 (3.9)	34	9.1 (5.2)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-3.2 (-6.1, - 0.2),
Tremont, 2015* ³⁷³ Fair	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	6	22.98 (12.89)	133	20.04 (13.68)	NR	22.59 (13.94)		22.00 (12.82)	NR	NR, 0.16
	Caregiver	RMBPC Depressive behaviors (total burden) (0-36)	IG1	6	8.87 (7.06)	133	6.53 (6.36)	NR	7.96 (7.85)	117	7.97 (6.74)	NR	NR, 0.009

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		RMBPC Disruptive behaviors (total burden) (0-32)		6	5.92 (5.44)		5.81 (5.80)	NR	5.91 (4.84)		5.73 (5.20)	NR	NR, 0.909
	Caregiver	RMBPC Memory problems (total burden) (0-28)	IG1	6	8.25 (5.24)	133	7.72 (5.28)	NR	8.90 (5.82)	117	8.33 (5.50)	NR	NR, 0.955
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	6	38.61 (13.98)	133	35.95 (14.34)	NR	38.82 (14.63)	117	37.17 (13.93)	NR	NR, 0.485
Wang, 2011* ³⁷⁷ Fair	Caregiver + patient	FCBI (0-96)	IG1	6	68.2 (11.9)	40	55.2 (15.0)	NR	68.8 (16.7)	40	65.0 (18.1)	NR	NR, <0.001
Wright, 2001 ³⁸¹ Fair		Scale (0-123)	IG1	3	27.5 [§] (NR)	68	23.4 [§] (NR)	NR	(NR)	25	24.3 [§] (NR)	NR	NS
		Scale (0-123)	IG1	6	27.5 [§] (NR)	68	24.0 [§] (NR)	NR	28.7 [§] (NR)	25	24.2§ (NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	Caregiving Hassle Scale (0-123)	IG1	12	27.5 [§] (NR)	68	21.9 [§] (NR)	NR	28.7 [§] (NR)	25	21.6 [§] (NR)	NR	NR, 0.98
Care/Case Management Interventions													
Callahan, 2006 ³⁸³ Fair	Caregiver + patient	NPI-12 (0-60)	IG1	6	4.2 (5.6)	84	4.4 (6.4)	NR	6.5 (10.4)	69	5.7 (7.2)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.1 (-2.0, 1.8), 0.92
	Caregiver + patient	NPI-12 (0-60)	IG1	12	4.2 (5.6)	84	3.5 (5.8)	NR	6.5 (10.4)	69	7.7 (8.7)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-2.2 (-4.2, - 0.2), 0.03
	Caregiver + patient	NPI-12 (0-60)	IG1	17	4.2 (5.6)	84	4.6 (6.3)	NR	6.5 (10.4)	69	7.4 (9.7)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-1.0 (-3.0, 1.0), 0.33
Chien, 2008* ³⁸⁵ Fair	Family	FCBI (0-96)	IG1	6	68.1 (14.9)	44	56.7 (15.7)	NR	67.8 (15.7)	44	63.0 (15.1)	NR	NR
Chien, 2008* ³⁸⁵ Fair	Family	FCBI (0-96)	IG1	12	68.1 (14.9)	44	48.3 (13.9)	NR	67.8 (15.7)	44	65.9 (16.3)	NR	F statistic=7.1, <0.001
Chien, 2011* ³⁸⁴ Good	Caregiver + patient	FCBI (0-96)	IG1	12	68.0 (14.6)	46	48.1 (13.0)	NR	66.9 (13.7)	46	65.3 (15.3)	NR	MD (SE)=-17.2 (0.8), 0.01
Ch.: 2000386	+ patient	FCBI (0-96)	IG1	18	68.0 (14.6)	45	45.5 (10.0)	NR	66.9 (13.7)	45	64.1 (11.4)	NR	MD (SE)=-18.6 (1.0), 0.01
Chu, 2000 ³⁸⁶ Fair	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1 IG1	3	15.6 (NR)	32 22	17.8 (NR)	NR NR	14.9 (NR)	31 26	18.8 (NR)	NR NR	NS
	_	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	וטו	6	15.6 (NR)	22	10.7 (NR)	INK	14.9 (NR)	20	21.1 (NR)	INK	NR, <0.05

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		RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	10	15.6 (NR)	22	15.7 (NR)	NR	14.9 (NR)	26	20.2 (NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	13	15.6 (NR)	18	23.9 (NR)	NR	14.9 (NR)	19	21.4 (NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	17	15.6 (NR)	27	18.6 (NR)	NR	14.9 (NR)	22	17.2 (NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	3	26.2 (NR)	32	26.0 (NR)	NR	26.2 (NR)	31	27.5 (NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	lG1	6	26.2 (NR)	22	22.3 (NR)	NR	26.2 (NR)	26	33.5 (NR)	NR	NR, <0.05
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	lG1	10	26.2 (NR)	22	25.3 (NR)	NR	26.2 (NR)	20	30.0 (NR)	NR	NS
Chu, 2000 ³⁸⁶ Fair	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	lG1	13	26.2 (NR)	16	28.3 (NR)	NR	26.2 (NR)	19	33.9 (NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	lG1	17	26.2 (NR)	27	27.1 (NR)	NR	26.2 (NR)	21	29.5 (NR)	NR	NS
Fortinsky, 2009 ³⁸⁹ Fair	Caregiver + patient	Zarit-22 (0-88)	lG1	12	30.42 (NR)	44	26.18 (NR)	NR	36.02 (NR)	25	30.57 (NR)	NR	MD=0.73, NR
Jansen, 2011 ³⁹⁰ Fair	Caregiver	SPPIC (0-9)	IG1	6	3.9 (NR)	54	3.8 (NR)	NR	3.3 (NR)	45	2.7 (NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	SPPIC (0-9)	lG1	12	3.9 (NR)	54	4.2 (NR)	NR	3.3 (NR)	45	3.3 (NR)	NR	F statistic=0.72, 0.49
Lam, 2010 ³⁹¹ Fair	+ patient	Zarit-22 (0-88)	lG1	4	33.2 (17.8)		NR	9.5)	32.3 (15.8)	42		1.5 (-7.0, 9.3)	
	Caregiver + patient	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	12	33.2 (17.8)	53	NR	5.0 ^{II} (-10.5, 12.0)	32.3 (15.8)	39	NR	3.5 ^{il} (-9.3, 12.3)	NS
Mavandadi, 2017* ³⁹² Fair	Caregiver + patient	NPI-10 (0-50)	IG1	6	10.04 (0.55) [‡]		6.74 (0.72) [‡]	NR	9.17 (0.58) [‡]	31	9.67 (0.69) [‡]	NR	Beta (SE)=- 0.68 (0.26), 0.01
	Caregiver + patient	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	6	18.59 (0.83) [‡]	25	13.71 (1.07) [‡]	NR	18.21 (0.86) [‡]	31	18.03 (1.03) [‡]	NR	Beta (SE)=- 0.80 (0.41), 0.05
	Caregiver + patient	Zarit-12 (0-48)	lG1	6	14.89 (10.04)	25	NR	NR	14.30 (9.17)	31	NR	NR	Beta (SE)=- 0.05 (0.22), 0.82
Menn, 2012 ³⁹⁴ Fair	+ patient	BSFC (0-72)	lG1	22	22.1 (NR)		27.8 (NR)	NR	23.6 (NR)	83	(NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver + patient	BSFC (0-72)	IG2	22	24.5 (NR)	60	29.1 (NR)	NR	23.6 (NR)	83	29.0 (NR)	NR	NS

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Samus, 2014* ³⁹⁵ Fair	+ patient	Zarit-12 (0-44)	IG1	18	14.18 (0.89) [‡]		13.90 (0.99) [‡]	NR	14.51 (0.67) [‡]	183	16.14 (0.79) [‡]	NR	MDC (95% CI)=-1.91 (-3.9, 0.5), 0.29
Thyrian, 2017* ³⁹⁶ Fair	Caregiver + patient	BIZA-D (NR)	IG1	12	-0.14 (2.62)	291	-0.13 (2.63)	NR	-0.07 (2.57)	116	0.40 (2.62)	NR	Beta (95% CI)=-0.50 (- 1.09, 0.08), 0.045
Xiao, 2016* ³⁹⁸ Fair	Caregiver	NPI-10 (0-50)	IG1	6	10.8 (9.4)	31	6.5 (6.7)	NR	11.2 (9.3)	30	11.9 (11.7)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	NPI-10 (0-50)	IG1	12	10.8 (9.4)	31	6.3 (6.6)	NR	11.2 (9.3)	30	13.1 (11.9)	NR	F statistic=4.97, 0.01
Other Interventions													
Connell, 2009 ⁴⁰⁰ Fair	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	6	14.7 (11.5)	74	12.9 (10.9)	NR	14.4 (9.1)	63	13.4 (10.0)	NR	NR, <0.05
	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	12	14.7 (11.5)	69	13.2 (12.8)	NR	14.4 (9.1)	61	13.4 (11.9)	NR	NS
Hirano, 2011 ⁴⁰² Fair	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	3	32.9 (18.2)	17	NR	-5.2 (2.1)	38.5 (19.7)	14	NR	0.07 (0.5)	NR
King, 2002 ⁴⁰³ Fair	Caregiver	RMBPC (total burden) (0-77)	IG1	12	24.6 (15.4)	45	23.6 (15.4)	NR	25.5 (10.3)	40	23.0 (12.1)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	SCB objective (0- 25)	IG1	12	11.5	45	10.8 (3.6)	NR	12.6 (4.0)	40	11.8 (4.8)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	SCB subjective (25-100)	IG1	12	39.6 (9.4)	45	35.7 (7.5)	NR	43.7 (9.8)	40	40.9 (12.8)	NR	NR
Logiudice, 1999 ⁴⁰⁵ Fair	Caregiver + patient	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	6	56.3 (58.0)	20	NR	2.52 (NR)	67.8 (45.0)	14	NR	6.82 (NR)	MDC=0.30, NR
	Caregiver + patient	RMBPC (total burden) (0-96)	IG1	12	56.3 (58.0)	15	NR	2.1 (NR)	67.8 (45.0)	12	NR	-6.29 (NR)	MDC=0.70, NR
	Caregiver + patient	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	6	39.0 (8.7)	23	NR	0.16 (NR)	42.7 (10.3)	16	NR	4.21 (NR)	NR, 0.02
	Caregiver + patient	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	12	39.0 (8.7)	16	NR	0.77 (NR)	42.7 (10.3)	14	NR	3.11 (NR)	NR, 0.4
Prick, 2015* ⁴⁰⁸ Fair	Caregiver + patient	RMBPC (total burden) (0-100)	IG1	3	13.48 (9.21)	57	13.06 (10.38)	NR		54	12.13 (8.55)	NR	Beta (95% CI)=0.00 (- 0.29, 0.30), 0.98
	Caregiver + patient	RMBPC (total burden) (0-100)	IG1	6	13.48 (9.21)	57	15.98 (11.11)	NR	13.76 (8.40)	54	11.71 (9.25)	NR	Beta (95% CI)=0.08 (-

Author, year	Audience	Instrument	Int arm	Time,	IG BL		IG FU	IG mean				CG mean	Between
Quality		(range) [†]		mo.	mean (SD)	at FU	mean (SD)	change (SD) from		at FU	mean (SD)		group difference, p-
					(30)		(30)	BL	(30)		(30)	from BL	value
													0.22, -0.37),
	Caregiver + patient	SPPIC (0-9)	IG1	3	5.53 (2.39)	57	5.67 (2.36)	NR	5.52 (2.37)	54	5.85 (2.13)		0.61 Beta (95% CI)=-0.19 (- 0.72, 0.34), 0.49
	Caregiver + patient	SPPIC (0-9)	lG1	6	5.53 (2.39)	57	5.69 (2.38)	NR	5.52 (2.37)	54	5.60 (2.13)		Beta (95% CI)=-0.21 (- 0.73, 0.31), 0.43
Winter, 2006 ⁴¹¹ Fair	Caregiver	Zarit-22 (0-88)	IG1	6	33.7 (14.5)	53	31.66 (15.16)	NR	35.0 (15.1)	49	31.74 (17.29)		MD=0.490, NR

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: Adj MD = adjusted mean difference; BIZA-D = Berlin Inventory of Caregivers' Burden with Dementia; BL = baseline; CBI = Caregiver Burden Inventory; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; FCBI = Family Caregiving Burden Inventory; FU = followup; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; IQR = interquartile range; MD = mean difference; MDC = mean difference in change; mo. = months; NPI-10 = Neuropsychiatric Inventory-10 item; NPI-12 = Neuropsychiatric Inventory-12 item; NR = not reported; NS = not statistically significant; PAIS = Psychosocial Adjustment to Illness scale; RMBPC = Revised Memory and Behavior Checklist; SD = standard deviation; SE = standard error; SPPIC = Self-Perceived Pressure by Informal Care; Zarit-10 = Zarit Burden Interview-10 item; Zarit-22 = Zarit Burden Interview-22 item

[†] Higher values indicate better outcomes for all instruments

[‡] Standard error

[§] Least squares mean

[|] Median change (IQR)

Author, year Quality		Symptom (Instrument, range, direction)	Int arm		mean	at	mean	IG mean change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)	CG n at FU		CG mean change (SD) from BL	Between group difference, p- value
Psychoeducation Interventions													
Barnes, 2018*325	Caregiver	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	3	8.1 (NR)	27	7.8 (NR)	-0.3 (NR)	7.9 (NR)	25	8.4 (NR)	0.5 (NR)	NR, 0.100
Fair	Caregiver		IG1	3	5.8 (NR)		5.9 (NR)		5.4 (NR)		6.2 (NR)		NR, 0.122
			IG1	3		27	13.7 (NŔ)		13.3 (NR)	25	14.6 (NŔ)	1.3 (NR)	NR, 0.133
Belle, 2006 ³²⁶ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, D)	IG1	6	ΝA	293	37 (12.6) [†]	NR	NA	286	65 (22.7)	NR	NR, 0.0014
Berwig, 2017* ³²⁷ Fair	Caregiver	Anx (PHQ-4-Anx subscale, 0.6, ↓)	IG1	6	2.2 (1.6)	41	NR	-0.342 (1.995)	1.8 (1.9)	40	NR	-0.025 (1.981)	ES=0.159, 0.476
	Caregiver	Anx (PHQ-4-Anx subscale, 0.6, ↓)	IG1	9	2.2 (1.6)	31	NR	-0.194 (1.815)	1.8 (1.9)	31	NR	0.548 (2.743)	ES=0.326, 0.239
	Caregiver	Dep (PHQ-4-Dep subscale, 0.6, ↓)	IG1	6	2.0 (1.4)	41	NR	-0.317 (1.439)	1.4 (1.5)	40	NR	0.075 (1.403)	ES=0.276, 0.218
	Caregiver	Dep (PHQ-4-Dep subscale, 0.6, ↓)	IG1	9	2.0 (1.4)	31	NR	-0.097 (1.446)	1.4 (1.5)	31	NR	0.129 (1.432)	ES=0.157, 0.214
Brennan, 1995 ³²⁸ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	12	21.2 (8.1)	47	18.9 (11.0)	NR	15.6 (10.6)	49	15.7 (10.5)	NR	NR, 0.61
Bruvik, 2013* ³²⁹ Good	Caregiver + patient	Dep (GDS, 0-30, ↓)	IG1	12	7.3 (6.5)	93	7.3 (6.8)	NR	5.6 (5.5)	102		NR	NR, 0.8236
Burgio, 2003 ³³⁰ Fair		Anx (STPI-Anx subscale, 10-40, ↓)	IG1 (Black)	6	21.68 (7.92)	25	19.16 (8.01)	NR	19.91 (7.17)	23	19.04 (6.79)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Anx (STPI-Anx subscale, 10-40, ↓)	ÌG1 (White)	6		36		NR	18.03 (6.24)	34	18.12 (7.36)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	ÌG1	6	15.7 (9.4)	60	11.4 (1.2)	NR	11.4 (9.9)	61	12.1 (9.9)	NR	NR, 0.35
Chang, 1999 ³³¹ Fair	Caregiver	Anx (BSI-A, 0-24, ↓)	IG1	3	0.68 (0.55)	31	0.57 (0.58)	NR	0.91 (0.63)	34	0.78 (0.74)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Dep (BSI-D, 0-4, ↓)	IG1			31	0.60 (0.71)	NR	0.74 (0.74)	34	0.95 (0.85)	NR	NR
Chu, 2011 ³³² Fair	Caregiver	Dep (BDI-II, 0-63, ↓)	IG1	3	9.3 (NR)	30	5.77 (NR)	NR	11.36 (NR)	30	10.53 (NR)	NR	NR, 0.05
	Caregiver	Dep (BDI-II, 0-63, ↓)	IG1	4	9.3 (NR)	30	5.31 (NR)	NR	11.36 (NR)	30	10.96 (NR)	NR	NR, <0.01
Coon, 2003 ³³³ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (MAACL Dep subscale, NR, ↓)	IG1	6	17.8 (1.4)	45	15.4 (1.3)	NR	14.6 (1.3)	44	16.5 (1.3)	NR	NR, NR
Coon, 2003 ³³³ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (MAACL Dep subscale, NR, ↓)	IG2	6		41	15.0 (1.3)	NR	14.6 (1.3)	44	16.5 (1.3)	NR	NR, NR

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Cristancho- Lacroix, 2015* ³³⁴ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (BDI-II, 0-63, ↓)	IG1	3	11.2 (10.1)	25	11.5 (9.2)	0.3 (4.6)	9.0 (7.4)	24	8.9 (6.5)		MDC (95% CI)=NR (NR, NR), 0.56
	Caregiver	Dep (BDI-II, 0-63, ↓)	IG1	6	11.2 (10.1)	25	12.4 (11.6)	NR	9.0 (7.4)	24	8.8 (7.2)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	Perc Stress (Cohen PSS, 0-56, ↓)	IG1	3	24.2 (9.0)	25	23.7 (9.2)	-0.5 (8.0)	24.5 (6.7)	24	23.8 (6.2)		MDC (95% CI)=NR (NR, NR), 0.98
	Caregiver	Perc Stress (Cohen PSS, 0-56, ↓)	IG1	6	(9.0)		25.0 (9.9)		24.5 (6.7)	24	23.8 (6.9)		NS
De Rotrou, 2011 ³³⁵ Fair		Dep (MADRS, 0-60, ↓)	IG1		9.0 (7.5)		8.2 (7.5)	NR	10.2 (9.2)	64	10.1 (9.9)		NR, 0.21
	Caregiver	Dep (MADRS, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	9.0 (7.5)		8.9 (7.8)	NR	10.2 (9.2)	57	11.4 (10.3)	NR	NR, 0.14
Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D-10, 0-30, ↓)		6	7.2 (NR)		4.3 (NR)	NR	7.2 (NR)		, ,	NR	Cohen's d=0.42, 0.099
Thompson,	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1 (Hispanic)	6	(12.53)	38	15.27 (1.66)	NR	26.67 (14.75)	17	17.10 (2.55)	NR	NR
Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1 (White)	6	(11.48)	53	13.50 (1.08)	NR	17.13 (13.50)	24	15.44 (1.60)	NR	NR
Thompson,	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1 (Hispanic)	6	(12.47)	47	10.26 (9.98)	NR	15.64 (13.60)	42	12.83 (10.31)		NR
2008 ³⁴¹ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1 (White)	6	(10.46)	50	11.86 (9.90)	NR	13.39 (9.42)	45	12.82 (9.59)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Perc Stress (Cohen PSS, 0-40, ↓)	IG1 (Hispanic)	6	(7.91)	47	15.23 (7.24)	NR	17.00 (7.79)	42	16.14 (6.97)		NR
Gallagher- Thompson, 2008 ³⁴¹ Fair	Caregiver	Perc Stress (Cohen PSS, 0-40, ↓)	IG1 (White)	6	18.92 (6.98)	50	15.97 (6.49)	NR	18.16 (6.67)	45	17.04 (6.17)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	4	13.03 (11.85)	36	10.78 (8.41)	NR	14.74 (12.51)	34	13.94 (10.31)		Beta=-0.118, 0.164
	Caregiver	Anx (STAI-State, 20-80, ↓)	IG1 (AD patient)	3	31.3 (2.9) [‡]		27.1 (3.1) [‡]	NR	32.3 (2.7) [‡]	17	39.5 (2.6) [‡]		NR
	Caregiver	Anx (STAI-State, 20-80, ↓)	IG1 (AD patient)	6	31.3 (2.9) [‡]	13	27.1 (2.3) [‡]	NR	32.3 (2.7) [‡]	17	43.3 (2.6) [‡]	NR	NR

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	Caregiver	Anx (STAI-State, 20-80, ↓)	IG1 (AD patient)	12	31.3 (2.9) [‡]	13	32.5 (3.0) [‡]	NR	32.3 (2.7) [‡]	17	40.5 (2.8) [‡]	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Anx (STAI-State, 20-80, ↓)	IG1 (MCI patient)	3	26.3 (2.2) [‡]	23	27.3 (2.2) [‡]	NR	27.1 (2.7) [‡]	20	28.2 (2.1) [‡]	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Anx (STAI-State, 20-80, ↓)	IG1 (MCI patient)	6	26.3 (2.2) [‡]	23	26.0 (2.0) [‡]	NR	27.1 (2.7) [‡]	20	27.3 (2.4) [‡]	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Anx (STAI-State, 20-80, ↓)	IG1 (MCI patient)	12	26.3 (2.2) [‡]	23	28.5 (2.2) [‡]	NR	27.1 (2.7) [‡]	20	29.9 (2.3) [‡]	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1 (AD patient)	3	13.3 (1.5) [‡]	13	10.8 (0.7) [‡]	NR	16.4 (2.5) [‡]	17	18.1 (4.0) [‡]	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1 (AD patient)	6	13.3 (1.5) [‡]	13	7.4 (0.6)‡		16.4 (2.5) [‡]	17	19.4 (3.9) [‡]	NR	NR
Garand, 2014* ³⁴³ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1 (AD patient)	12	13.3 (1.5) [‡]	13	7.9 (1.7) [‡]		16.4 (2.5) [‡]	17	16.6 (2.0) [‡]	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1 (MCI patient)	3	6.1 (0.4) [‡]	23	6.6 (0.4)‡	NR	7.1 (0.6) [‡]	20	8.0 (0.4)‡	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1 (MCI patient)	6	6.1 (0.4) [‡]	23	6.3 (0.5)‡	NR	7.1 (0.6) [‡]	20	8.1 (2.9)‡	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1 (MCI patient)	12	6.1 (0.4) [‡]	23	4.9 (0.3) [‡]		7.1 (0.6) [‡]	20	11.5 (1.8) [‡]	NR	NR
Gaugler, 2013*344 Fair	Whole family	Dep (GDS, 0-30, ↓)	IG1	36	6.11 (5.39)	54	NR	NR	5.48 (4.59)	53	NR		Beta (SE)= 0.07 (0.51), NS
Gitlin, 2003 ³⁴⁷ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)		6	15.25 (12.17)	116	(0.66)	NR	14.85 (10.73)		15.05 (0.66)	NR	NR, 0.99
Gitlin, 2008 ³⁴⁶ Fair	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	4	14.6 (11.0)	27	13.1 (9.4)		13.2 (9.6)	29	14.3 (10.2)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.74 (- 4.31, 2.82), 0.68
Gitlin, 2010 ³⁴⁸ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, D)	IG1	4	NA	117	62 (53.0)§	NR	NA	122	83 (68.0) [§]	NR	NR, 0.02

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Graff, 2006 ³⁴⁹ Fair	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	3	11.7 (8.3)		5.4 (4.5)	NR	11.4 (7.2)	65	13.1 (9.1)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-8.4 (- 11.0, -5.8), <0.0001
	Caregiver + patient	Psych Health (GHQ-12, 0-36, ↓)	IG1	3	12.0 (4.9)		7.1 (3.5)	NR	11.3 (4.0)	65	12.1 (5.0)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-4.9 (-6.6, -3.3), <0.0001
Hebert, 2003 ³⁵⁰ Fair	Caregiver	Anx (STAI-State, 20-80, ↓)	IG1	4	41.01 (12.96)	60	39.75 (13.24)	-1.27 (16.47)	45.46 (14.82)	56	43.17 (14.02)	-1.64 (14.49)	NR, 0.39
Hebert, 2003 ³⁵⁰ Fair	Caregiver	Psych Health (PSI, 14- 56, ↓)	IG1	4	26.17 (6.94)	60	25.01 (6.92)	-1.16 (7.98)	26.45 (8.12)	56	26.89 (8.16)	0.65 (6.03)	NR, 0.13
Joling, 2012 ³⁵² Fair	Whole family	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	6	5.6 (NR)	96	5.6 (NR)	NR	5.3 (NR)	96		NR	NR
	Whole family	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	12	5.6 (NR)	96	5.5 (NR)	NR	5.3 (NR)	96	5.8 (NR)	NR	ES (95% CI)=- 0.6 (-1.6, 0.5), 0.3
	Whole family	Anx (HADS-A, D)	IG1	12	NA	96	28 (29.2) ^{II}	NR	NA	96	27 (28.1) ^{II}	NR	HR (95% CI)=0.89 (0.51, 1.56)
	Whole family	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	11.4 (NR)	96	12.4 (NR)	NR	11.9 (NR)	96	13.0 (NR)	NR	NR
	Whole family	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	12	11.4 (NR)	96	12.9 (NR)	NR	11.9 (NR)	96	14.8 (NR)	NR	ES (95% CI)=- 1.4 (-3.9, 1.1), 0.27
	Whole family	Dep (CES-D, D)	IG1	12	NA	96	28 (29.2) ¹	^I NR	NA	96	19 (19.8) [¶]	NR	IRR (95% CI)=1.21 (0.80, 1.84), NR
Judge, 2013* ³⁵³ Fair	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-20, ↓)	IG1	3	4.47 (3.60)	59	3.75 (3.09)	NR	4.58 (3.63)	59	4.64 (3.19)	NR	Beta=-0.17, 0.04
Kurz, 2010 ³⁵⁵ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, D)	IG1	6	ÑΑ	55	NR	NR	ÑΑ	53		NR	OR (95% CI)=0.15 (0.04, 0.65), <0.013#
Livingston,	Caregiver	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	4	8.1 (4.4)	150	7.5 (4.2)	NR	9.3 (4.3)	75	8.6 (4.2)	NR	NR
2013 ^{*358} Good	Caregiver	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	8	8.1 (4.4)	133	7.6 (4.4)	NR	9.3 (4.3)	71			Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.91 (- 1.76, -0.07), NR
Livingston,		Anx (HADS-A, 0-21, ↓)	IG1		8.1 (4.4)			NR	9.3 (4.3)			NR	NR
2013 ^{*358} Good	Caregiver	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	24	8.1 (4.4)	132	8.1 (4.9)	NR	9.3 (4.3)	64	9.2 (5.3)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-1.16 (-

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													2.15, -0.18), NR
	Caregiver	Anx (HADS-A, D)	IG1	4	85 (49.4)**	150	54 (36.0)**	NR	48 (55.2)**	75	36 (48.0)**	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Anx (HADS-A, D)	IG1	8	85 (49.4)**	133	53 (39.8)**	NR	48 (55.2)**	71	33 (46.5)**	NR	OR (95% CI)=0.30 (0.08, 1.05), NR
	Caregiver	Anx (HADS-A, D)	IG1	12	85 (49.4)**	138	54 (39.1)**	NR	48 (55.2)**	67	33 (49.3)**	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Anx (HADS-A, D)	IG1	24		132	57 (43.2)**	NR	48 (55.2)**	64	32 (50.0)**		OR (95% CI)=0.57 (0.26, 1.24), NR
			IG1	4	5.4 (3.8)		4.9 (3.9)		5.5 (3.9)		5.7 (4.0)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Dep (HADS-D, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	8	5.4 (3.8)	133	5.2 (4.0)	NR	5.5 (3.9)	71	6.1 (4.2)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.91 (- 1.71, -0.10), NR
	Caregiver	Dep (HADS-D, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	12	5.4 (3.8)	138	5.0 (4.2)	NR	5.5 (3.9)	67	5.9 (4.3)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Dep (HADS-D, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	24	5.4 (3.8)	132	5.5 (4.2)	NR	5.5 (3.9)	64	6.3 (4.9)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-1.45 (- 2.32, -0.57), NR
	Caregiver	Dep (HADS-D, D)	IG1	4	36 (20.9) ^{††}	150	25 (16.7) ^{††}	NR	17 (19.5) ^{††}	75	18 (24.0) ^{††}	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Dep (HADS-D, D)	IG1	8	36 (20.9) ^{††}	133	28 (21.1) ^{††}	NR	17 (19.5) ^{††}	71	23 (32.4) ^{††}		OR (95% CI)=0.24 (0.07, 0.76), NR
Livingston, 2013*358	Caregiver	Dep (HADS-D, D)	IG1	12	36 (20.9) ^{††}	138	24 (17.4) ^{††}	NR	17 (19.5) ^{††}	67	18 (26.9) ^{††}	NR	NR
Good		Dep (HADS-D, D)	IG1	24	36 (20.9) ^{††}	132	30 (22.7) ^{††}	NR	17 (19.5) ^{††}	64	19 (29.7) ^{††}		OR (95% CI)=0.14 (0.04, 0.53), NR
	Caregiver	Psych Health (HADS-T, 0-42, ↓)	IG1	4	13.5 (7.3)	150	12.4 (7.4)	NR	14.8 (7.4)	75	14.3 (7.4)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	· +/	IG1	8	13.5 (7.3)	133	12.9 (7.9)	NR	14.8 (7.4)	71	14.9 (8.0)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-1.80 (- 3.29, -0.31), 0.02
	Caregiver	Psych Health (HADS-T, 0-42, ↓)	lG1	12	13.5 (7.3)	138	12.5 (7.9)	NR	14.8 (7.4)	64	14.6 (8.9)	NR	NR

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	Caregiver	Psych Health (HADS-T, 0-42, ↓)	IG1		13.5 (7.3)	132	13.6 (8.3)		14.8 (7.4)		15.5 (9.5)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-2.58 (- 4.26, -0.90), NR
	Caregiver	Psych Health (HSQ-12, 0-100, ↑)	IG1	4	58.3 (22.4)		62.7 (20.8)	NR	58.2 (21.7)	72	58.4 (18.0)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Psych Health (HSQ-12, 0-100, ↑)	IG1	8	58.3 (22.4)	122	58.6 (22.0)	NR	58.2 (21.7)	66	58.2 (19.2)		Adj MD (95% CI)=4.09 (0.34, 7.83), NR
	Caregiver	Psych Health (HSQ-12, 0-100, ↑)	IG1	12	58.3 (22.4)		61.9 (20.6)	NR	58.2 (21.7)		56.2 (22.5)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	Psych Health (HSQ-12, 0-100, ↑)	IG1		58.3 (22.4)	113	60.2 (19.8)	NR	58.2 (21.7)	55	55.0 (21.2)		Adj MD (95% CI)=7.47 (2.87, 12.08),
Losada, 2010 ³⁵⁹ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	3	19.5 (12.7)	68	14.9 (9.7)	NR	17.6 (12.7)	50	17.0 (12.0)		Adj MD (SD)=- 3.2 (NR), 0.03
Mariott, 2000 ³⁶⁰ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (BDI, 0-63, ↓)	IG1	8	11.5 (9.5)	13	7.2 (7.5)	NR	9.9 (5.5)	14	10.9 (5.6)	NR	NR, <0.01
	Caregiver	Dep (BDI, 0-63, ↓)	IG1	1	11.5 (9.5)	13	6.3 (5.7)	NR	9.9 (5.5)	14	11.1 (6.4)	NR	NR, 0.001
	Caregiver	Psych Health (GHQ-28, 0-84, ↓)	IG1	8	9.5 (4.8)	13	5.1 (5.5)	NR	9.6 (3.8)	14	12.4 (6.4)	NR	NR, <0.05
	Caregiver	Psych Health (GHQ-28, 0-84, ↓)	IG1	12	9.5 (4.8)	13	3.2 (4.2)	NR	9.6 (3.8)	14	10.7 (5.5)	NR	NR, <0.05
Martin-Carrasco, 2009 ³⁶²	Caregiver	Psych Health (GHQ-28, 0-84, ↓)	IG1	4	8.8 (7.5)	44	4.7 (7.2)	NR	6.8 (5.5)	38	6.3 (6.6)	NR	NR, 0.03
Fair	Caregiver	Psych Health (GHQ-28, 0-84, ↓)	IG1	10	8.8 (7.5)	44	2.2 (4.0)	NR	6.8 (5.5)	38	7.8 (7.6)	NR	NR, 0.0004
Martin-Carrasco, 2014* ³⁶¹ Fair	Caregiver	Psych Health (GHQ-28, 0-84, ↓)	IG1	4	(12.5)		NR	(12.6)	27.7 (12.7)		NR		MDC (95% CI)=-2.34 (- 5.27, 0.59), NS
	Caregiver + patient	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15, ↓)	IG1	4	(1.56)	23	1.58 (0.46)	NR	3.00 (3.26)	24	2.68 (0.48)	NR	NR
Martindale-Adams, 2013*364		Dep (CES-D-10, 0-30, ↓)	IG1		(6.2)	77	10.0 (6.5)		10.4 (6.8)	77	10.2 (7.1)		NR
Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D-10, 0-30, ↓)	IG1	12	10.8 (6.2)	77	9.4 (5.7)	NR	10.4 (6.8)	77	9.4 (6.6)	NR	Cohen's d=0.04, 0.802

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Mittelman, 2004* ³⁶⁵ Fair	Whole family	Dep (GDS, 0-30, ↓)	IG1		8.9 (5.7)		NR	,	10.6 (7.2)	203	NR		logBeta (SE)= - 1.41 (0.409), 0.006
	Whole family	Dep (GDS, 0-30, ↓)	IG1		8.9 (5.7)		NR	NR	10.6 (7.2)	203	NR		Beta (SE)= - 1.047 (0.473), 0.03
	Whole family	Dep (GDS, D)	IG1	12	$(39.9)^{\ddagger\ddagger}$	203	60 (29.6) ^{‡‡}		93 (45.8) ^{‡‡}		92 (45.3) ^{‡‡}	NR	NR
Mittelman, 2004* ³⁶⁵	Whole family	Dep (GDS, D)	IG1	36	(39.9)		53 (26.1)		93 (45.8)		65 (32.0)		NR
Fair	Whole family	Dep (GDS, D)	IG1	60	(39.9)		55 (27.1)		93 (45.8)		61 (30.0)		NR
Nunez-Naveira, 2016* ³⁶⁶ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	3	19.40 (9.03)	30	17.03 (7.07)	NR	21.42 (8.64)	31	20.77 (9.02)	NR	NR
Ostwald, 1999 ³⁶⁷ Fair	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	3	(8.2)	51	17.2 (4.1)	NR	14.7 (7.6)	30	18.0 (4.8)	NR	NR, NR
	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	5	(8.2)	60	12.0 (7.7)		14.7 (7.6)	34	16.1 (9.1)		NR, 0.04
Spaulding-Wilson, 2018* ³⁷⁰ Fair	Caregiver	Anx (BAI, 0-63, ↓)	IG1	6	8.1 (8.0)	54	NR	NR	7.7 (7.2)	41	NR		Beta (SE)=- 0.154 (0.39), 0.693
	Caregiver	Dep (BDI-II, 0-63, ↓)	IG1	6	11.8 (7.7)	54	NR	NR	11.7 (7.1)	41	NR		Beta (SE)=- 0.414 (0.37), 0.269
	Caregiver	Perc Stress (Cohen PSS, 0-48, ↓)	IG1	6	16.0 (6.5)	54	NR	NR	16.3 (5.6)	41	NR		Beta (SE)=- 0.716 (0.28), 0.010
Schoenmakers, 2010 ³⁶⁹	Caregiver	Dep (BDI, D)	IG1	NR	NA	23	NR	NR	NR	23	NR		OR (95% CI)=0.16 (0.03, 0.86), NR ^{§§}
Steffen, 2016*371 Good	Caregiver	Anx (MAACL Anx, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	3	4.8 (2.3)	28	3.5 (2.2)	NR	4.6 (2.3)	38	5.0 (2.7)	NR	Cohen's d=0.63, ≤0.05
	Caregiver	Anx (MAACL Anx, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	9	4.8 (2.3)	22	4.4 (2.6)	NR	4.6 (2.3)	30	4.2 (2.6)	NR	NR
		Dep (BDI-II, 0-63, ↓)	IG1	3	15.4 (0)		9.8 (1.3)	NR	15.4 (0)	38	13.2 (1.1)		Cohen's d=0.50, ≤0.05
	Caregiver	Dep (BDI-II, D)	IG1	3		28	20 (71.4)		NA	38	16 (42.1)	NR	NR, ≤0.05
	Caregiver	Dep (BDI-II, 0-63, ↓)	IG1	9	15.4 (0)	22	10.3 (1.3)	NR	15.4 (0)	30	9.4 (1.1)	NR	NR, 0.61

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	Caregiver	Psych Health (NAS, 10-50, ↓)			(6.9)	22	20.1 (7.3)		24.1 (7.3)		21.7 (7.6)		NR, 0.89
	Ü	Psych Health (NAS, 10-50, ↓)			(6.9)	28	17.6 (4.4)		24.1 (7.3)		22.0 (7.0)		Cohen's d=0.66, ≤0.05
Teri, 2005 ³⁷² Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	14.8 (9.1)	32	12.5 (7.7)	NR	13.2 (8.5)	34	15.8 (10.5)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-2.3 (-6.0, 0.0),
	Caregiver	Dep (HDRS, 0-52, ↓)	IG1	6	6.9 (4.1)	32	6.7 (3.9)	NR	7.6 (5.0)	34	8.5 (5.7)		Adj MD (95% CI)=-1.2 (-2.4, -0.0),
Tremont, 2015* ³⁷³ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	17.04 (10.22)	133	14.15 (10.00)	NR	15.19 (9.98)		15.62 (10.18)		NR, 0.003
Ulstein, 2007 ³⁷⁴ Fair	Caregiver	Perc Stress (RSS, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	4	(10.3)	87	NR	-0.8 (-2.6, 1.0) ^{¶¶}	23.2 (10.8)	84	NR	0.9) ^{¶¶}	MDC (95% CI)=-0.1 (-2.5, 2.3), 0.94
	Caregiver	Perc Stress (RSS, 0-60, ↓)		12	(10.3)		NR		23.2 (10.8)	84	NR		MDC (95% CI)=-1.2 (-4.2, 1.8), 0.42
Voigt-Radloff, 2011 ³⁷⁵ Fair	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	(7.7)	52	10.0 (7.9)	NR	11.3 (5.9)	46	10.0 (6.9)		MD (95% CI)=0.0 (-3.0, 3.0), NS
	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	12	12.1 (7.7)	52	14.3 (10.3)	NR	11.3 (5.9)	46	12.9 (7.7)		MD (95% CI)=- 1.4 (-5.1, 2.3), NS
Waldorff, 2012 ³⁷⁶ Good	Caregiver + patient	Dep (GDS, 0-30, ↓)	IG1	6	4.74 (5.16)	141	4.97 (5.06)	0.43 (3.51)	4.71 (5.02)	150	5.38 (5.77)		MDC (95% CI)=-0.39 (- 0.72, -0.07), 0.02
	Caregiver + patient	Dep (GDS, 0-30, ↓)	IG1	12	4.74 (5.16)	128	5.64 (5.45)	1.16 (4.59)	4.71 (5.02)	143	4.82 (5.70)		MDC (95% CI)=0.91 (- 0.21, 2.03), 0.11
	Caregiver + patient	Dep (GDS, 0-30, ↓)	IG1		4.74 (5.16)			0.58, ` 1.52) ^{¶¶}	4.71 (5.02)			0.72) ^{¶¶}	NR, 0.29
Williams, 2010 ³⁷⁸ Fair	Caregiver	↓)	IG1		(10.3)		37.0 (NR)		38.4 (11.1)	53	38.8 (NR)		NS
	Caregiver	Anx (STAI-Trait, 20-80, ↓)	IG1	6	41.6 (10.3)	48	35.1 (NR)		38.4 (11.1)	51	38.7 (NR)	NR	NS

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	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	3	18.7 (10.6)	50	12.9 (NR)	NR	14.4 (9.6)	53	14.5 (NR)	NR	NS
Williams, 2010 ³⁷⁸ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	18.7 (10.6)	48	11.8 (NR)	NR	14.4 (9.6)	51	15.4 (NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	Perc Stress (Cohen PSS, 0-40, ↓)	IG1	3		50	16.5 (NR)	NR	19.1 (7.2)	53	17.8 (NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	Perc Stress (Cohen PSS, 0-40, ↓)	IG1	6	21.5 (6.7)	48	15.4 (NR)	NR	19.1 (7.2)	51	18.1 (NR)	NR	NS
Wilz, 2016* ³⁷⁹ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	3	16.89 (9.14)	102	15.12 (10.08)	NR	18.51 (8.79)	44	17.52 (9.96)	NR	MD (95% CI)=- 0.99 (-4.05, 2.05), 0.815
	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	16.89 (9.14)	98	14.56 (9.61)	NR	18.51 (8.79)	39	17.33 (11.37)	NR	MD (95% CI)=0.06 (- 5.09, 1.92), 0.624
Wilz, 2018* ³⁸⁰ Good	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	21.73 (9.66)	139	18.94 (9.61)	NR	23.27 (9.54)	134	20.92 (9.16)	NR	MD=-0.228, 0.043
	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	12	21.73 (9.66)	139	19.08 (10.12)	NR	23.27 (9.54)	134	20.10 (10.57)	NR	MD=-0.175, 0.180
Wright, 2001 ³⁸¹ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	3	13.1## (NR)	68	11.7 ^{##} (NR)	NR	9.7## (NR)	25	7.6 ^{##} (NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	13.1 ^{##} (NR)	68	11.4 ^{##} (NR)	NR	9.7 ^{##} (NR)	25	6.7 ^{##} (NR)	NR	NS
	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	12		68	10.6 ^{##} (NR)	NR	9.7 ^{##} (NR)	25	8.3 ^{##} (NR)	NR	NR, 0.94
Care/Case Management Interventions													
Bass, 2003 ³⁸² Fair	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-20, ↓)	IG1	12	0.57 (0.40)	94	0.60 (0.39)	NR	0.62 (0.45)	63	0.76 (0.47)	NR	NR, ≤0.05
Callahan, 2006 ³⁸³ Fair	Caregiver + patient	Dep (PHQ-9, 0-27)	IG1	6	3.8 (5.1)	84		NR	4.4 (5.6)	69		NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.5 (-1.8, 0.9), 0.50
	Caregiver + patient	Dep (PHQ-9, 0-27)	IG1	12	3.8 (5.1)	84	3.1 (3.9)	NR	4.4 (5.6)	69	4.6 (5.6)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.9 (-2.2, 0.5), 0.21
Callahan, 2006 ³⁸³ Fair	Caregiver + patient	Dep (PHQ-9, 0-27)	IG1	17	3.8 (5.1)	84	3.1 (4.5)	NR	4.4 (5.6)	69	5.2 (5.3)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-1.6 (-3.0, -0.2), 0.02

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	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	12	(NR)	44	,	NR	15.1 (NR)	25	15.0 (NR)		NR, 0.41
Jansen, 2011 ³⁹⁰ Fair	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	(NR)	54	11.9 (NR)		11.2 (NR)	45	,		NS
	Caregiver + patient		IG1	12	(NR)	54	11.2 (NR)		11.2 (NR)	45	11.2 (NR)		F=1.80, 0.17
Lam, 2010 ³⁹¹ Fair	+ patient	0-84, ↓)	IG1	4	(5.4)	57		0.0 (-2.5, 3.0)***	14.2 (6.6)	42	NR	1.0 (-4.0, 4.0)***	NS
	Caregiver + patient	0-84, ↓)	IG1		(5.4)	53		1.0 (-2.0, 5.5)***	14.2 (6.6)	39	NR	3.0)***	NS
Meewsen, 2012 ³⁹³ Good	Caregiver + patient	Anx (STAI-State, 20-80, ↓)		6	34.9 (9.7)	80	NR	NR	36.5 (9.3)	78	NR		Adj MD (95% CI)=3.55 (1.29, 5.81), 0.002
	Caregiver + patient	Anx (STAI-State, 20-80, ↓)	IG1	12	34.9 (9.7)	78	NR	NR	36.5 (9.3)	75	NR		Adj MD (95% CI)=2.35 (0.35, 4.36), 0.02
	Caregiver + patient	Anx (STAI-Trait, 20-80, ↓)	IG1	12	34.0 (10.2)	80	NR	NR	34.6 (9.1)	78	NR		Adj MD (95% CI)=2.14 (0.24, 4.03), 0.03
	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	9.3 (7.6)	80	NR	NR	9.8 (7.6)	78	NR		Adj MD (95% CI)=0.05 (- 2.04, 2.13), 0.96
	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	12	9.3 (7.6)	78	NR	NR	9.8 (7.6)	75	NR		Adj MD (95% CI)=2.09 (0.15, 4.02), 0.04
	Caregiver + patient	Dep (GDS-15, 0-15, ↓)	IG1		2.85 (3.1) [‡]	106	2.93 (0.34) [‡]	NR	2.54 (0.23) [‡]	183	3.01 (0.28) [‡]		MDC (95% CI)=-0.38 (- 1.0, 0.25), 0.43
Other Interventions													
Charlesworth, 2008 ³⁹⁹ Fair	Caregiver	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	6	7.55 (4.58)	104	6.35 (4.46)	NR	7.97 (4.68)	113	6.96 (4.37)	NR	LSM change (95% CI)=0.22 (-0.43, 0.97),

Quality		range, direction)		, mo.	mean (SD)	at FU	IG FU mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL		at FU	CG FU mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	difference, p- value
	Caregiver	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21, ↓)	IG1		7.55 (4.58)	96	6.55 (4.54)	NR	7.97 (4.68)	106	7.55 (4.47)	NR	LSM change (95% CI)=0.61 (-0.33, 1.55),
	Caregiver	Anx (HADS-A, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	22	7.55 (4.58)	93	6.55 (4.49)	NR	7.97 (4.68)	97	6.97 (4.50)	NR	LSM change (95% CI)=-0.04 (-1.10, 1.03),
Charlesworth, 2008 ³⁹⁹ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (HADS-D, 0-21, ↓)	lG1	6	6.73 (3.63)	104	6.03 (3.63)	NR	6.96 (3.94)	113	5.84 (3.96)	NR	LSM change (95% CI)=-0.48 (-1.23, 0.26), 0.20
	Caregiver	Dep (HADS-D, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	15	6.73 (3.63)	96	6.03 (4.00)	NR	6.96 (3.94)	106	6.71 (4.18)	NR	LSM change (95% CI)=0.47 (-0.50, 1.44), 0.34
	Caregiver	Dep (HADS-D, 0-21, ↓)	IG1	22	6.73 (3.63)	93	6.25 (4.12)	NR	6.96 (3.94)	97	6.35 (4.59)		LSM change (95% CI)=-0.21 (-1.32, 0.90), 0.71
Connell, 2009 ⁴⁰⁰		Dep (CES-D, 0-20, ↓)	IG1		9.4 (2.9)				7.9 (2.8)			NR	NS
Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-20, ↓)	IG1	13	9.4 (2.9)				7.9 (2.8)			NR	NS
	Caregiver	Perc Stress (Cohen PSS, 0-4, ↓)	IG1	6	1.9 (0.5)		1.7 (0.6)	NR	1.8 (0.5)		, ,	NR	NR, <0.05
	_	Perc Stress (Cohen PSS, 0-4, ↓)	IG1	12	1.9 (0.5)		` ,	NR	1.8 (0.5)		,		NS
	Caregiver	Anx (TMAS, 0-20, ↓)	IG1		6.4 (4.3)		6.3 (4.3)	NR	8.9 (4.5)	40		NR	NS
Fair	Caregiver	Dep (BDI, 0-63, ↓)	IG1	12	(6.5)	45	7.4 (4.8)	NR	13.7 (6.3)	40	,	NR	NS
	Caregiver	Perc Stress (Cohen PSS, 0-56, ↓)	IG1	12	(8.3)	45	24.8 (8.1)		29.3 (6.8)	40	26.6 (8.5)		NR
	Caregiver + patient	Psych Health (GHQ-30, 0-90, ↓)	IG1	6	6.8 (7.2)	23			8.3 (7.4)		NR	-0.14 (NR)	NR, 0.50
	Caregiver + patient	Psych Health (GHQ-30, 0-90, ↓)	IG1	12	6.8 (7.2)			2.50 (NR)			NR	2.23 (NR)	NR, 0.90
Fair	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	3	(6.85)	57	13.71 (8.18)	NR	11.02 (8.57)	54	10.94 (8.42)		logBeta (95% CI)=0.14 (- 0.04, 0.33), 0.13
	Caregiver + patient	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	10.84 (6.85)	57	13.62 (7.18)	NR	11.02 (8.57)	54	11.38 (8.56)	NR	logBeta (95% CI)=0.07 (-

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													0.10, 0.25), 0.41
Winter, 2006 ⁴¹¹ Fair	Caregiver	Dep (CES-D, 0-60, ↓)	IG1	6	15.9 (11.1)		18.7 (7.19)	NR	14.1 (10.8)	49	20.2 (7.20)	NR	NR, 0.121

^{*} New study

¶¶ 95% CI

Abbreviations: AD = Alzheimer's Disease; Adj MD = adjusted mean difference; Anx = anxiety; BDI = Beck Depression Inventory; BDI-II = Beck Depression Inventory - Second Edition; BL = baseline; BSI-A = Brief Symptom Inventory, Anxiety subscale; BSI-D = Brief Symptom Inventory, depression subscale; CES-D = Center for Epidemiologic Studies - Depression; CES-D-10 = 10-item Center for Epidemiologic Studies - Depression; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; Cohen PSS = Cohen Perceived Stress Scale; D = dichotomized; Dep = depression; ES = effect size; FU = followup; GDS = Geriatric Depression Scale; GDS-15 = Geriatric Depression Scale-15 item; GHQ-12 = General Health Questionnaire-12 item; GHQ-28 = General Health Questionnaire-28 item; GHQ-30 = General Health Questionnaire-30 item; HADS-A = Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale, Anxiety subscale; HADS-D = Hospital Anxiety and Depression subscale; HADS-T = Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale, Total score; HDRS = Hamilton Depression Rating Scale; HR = hazard ratio; HSQ-12 = Health Status Questionnaire, mental health domain; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; IRR = incident rate ratio; LSM = least squares mean; MAACL = Multiple Affect Adjective Checklist; MADRS = Montgomery Asberg Depression Rating Scale; MCI = mild cognitive impairment; MD = mean difference; mo. = months; NA = not applicable; NAS = Negative Affect Scale; NR = not reported; NS = not statistically significant; OR = odds ratio; Perc Stress = perceived stress; PHQ-4 = Patient Health Questionnaire-4 items; PHQ-9 = Patient Health Questionnaire-9 items; RSS = Relative Stress Scale; SD = standard deviation; SE = standard error; STAI = State-Trait Anxiety Inventory; STPI = State-Trait Personality Inventory; TMAS = Taylor Manifest Anxiety Scale-Short form

[†] N (%) of participants scoring ≥15 on CES-D, indicating extremely high levels of depression symptoms

[‡] Standard error

[§] N (%) of participants scoring ≥8 on CES-D, indicating clinically significant depression symptoms

[|] Number (%) of participants scoring ≥8 on HADS-A (clinically significant anxiety)

 $[\]P$ N (%) of participants scoring \geq 16 on CES-D, indicating clinically significant depression symptoms

[#] Odds of scoring ≥15 on CES-D, indicating extremely high levels of depression symptoms

^{**} Number (%) of participants scoring ≥9 on HADS-A indicating clinically significant anxiety symptoms

 $[\]dagger\dagger$ N (%) of participants scoring \geq 9 on HADS-D, indicating clinically significant depression symptoms

^{‡‡} N (%) of participants scoring ≥11 on GDS, indicating clinically significant depression symptoms

^{§§} Odds of scoring ≥10 on BDI, indicating clinically significant depression symptoms

III N (%) of participants scoring <11.35 on BDI, indicating absence of clinically significant depression symptoms

^{##} Least squares mean

^{***} Median change (IQR)

Author, year Quality	Audience	Instrument (range) [†]	Int arm	Time, mo.	IG BL mean (SD)	IG n at	IG FU mean (SD)	IG mean change (SD) from BL	CG BL mean (SD)		CG FU mean (SD)		Between group difference, p- value
Psychoeducation Interventions													
Barnes, 2018* ³²⁵ Fair	Caregiver	ACQOL (0-120)	IG1	3	69.6 (NR)	27	73.9 (NR)	4.3 (NR)	69.4 (NR)	25	69.2 (NR)	-0.2 (NR)	NR, 0.138
Berwig, 2017* ³²⁷ Fair	Caregiver	SF-12 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	6	43.7 (11.1)	41	NR	2.398 (8.703)	49.0 (10.6)	40	NR	-2.528 (8.556)	ES=0.571, 0.012
	Caregiver	SF-12 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	9	43.7 (11.1)	31	NR	3.868 (10.662)	49.0 (10.6)	31	NR	-4.618 (8.157)	ES=0.902, 0.001
	Caregiver	SF-12 PCS (0-100)	IG1	6	43.6 (10.7)	41	NR	2.600 (9.960)	44.1 (10.7)	40	NR	-1.310 (7.711)	ES=0.443, 0.052
	Caregiver	SF-12 PCS (0-100)	IG1	9	43.6 (10.7)	31	NR	-0.053 (9.591)	44.1 (10.7)	31	NR	0.191 (6.699)	ES=0.030, 0.908
Duggleby, 2018* ³³⁷ Fair	Caregiver	SF-12 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	3	NR	101	NR	NR	NR	98	NR	NR	LSM (95% CI)=- 0.23 (-3.25, 2.80), 0.88
	Caregiver	SF-12 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	6	NR	101	NR	NR	NR	98	NR	NR	Beta (95% CI)=0.68 (-0.76, 2.12), 0.35
	Caregiver	SF-12 PCS (0-100)	IG1	3	NR	101	NR	NR	NR	98	NR	NR	LSM (95% CI)=- 0.02 (-2.07, 2.01), 0.98
	Caregiver	SF-12 PCS (0-100)	IG1	6	NR	101	NR	NR	NR	98	NR	NR	NS
Fung, 2002* ³³⁹ Fair	Caregiver	WHOQoL-BREF (28-140)	IG1	4	96.90 (14.11)	26	113.21 (9.98)	NR	103.75 (0.68)	26	88.19 (9.56)	NR	F statistic=23.145, 0.000
Gaugler, 2013* ³⁴⁴ Fair	Whole family	Cantril Ladder QoL (0-100)	IG1	4	74.63 (16.71)	54	82.29 (NR)	NR	76.77 (10.62)	53	81.49 (NR)	NR	NR
	Whole family	Cantril Ladder QoL (0-100)		8	74.63 (16.71)	54	80.56 (NR)	NR	76.77 (10.62)	53	81.12 (NR)	NR	NR
	Whole family	Cantril Ladder QoL (0-100)		12	74.63 (16.71)	54	80.14 (NR)	NR	76.77 (10.62)	53	80.60 (NR)	NR	NR
	Whole family	Cantril Ladder QoL (0-100)		18	74.63 (16.71)	54	81.07 (NR)	NR	76.77 (10.62)	53	79.62 (NR)	NR	NR
	Whole family	Cantril Ladder QoL (0-100)	IG1	24	74.63 (16.71)	54	82.63 (NR)	NR	76.77 (10.62)	53	78.41 (NR)	NR	NR

Author, year Quality	Audience	(range) [†]	Int arm	Time, mo.	mean (SD)	IG n at FU	mean (SD)	BL	mean (SD)	at FU	CG FU mean (SD)	change (SD) from BL	
	Whole family	Cantril Ladder QoL (0-100)	IG1	30	74.63 (16.71)	54	83.46 (NR)	NR	76.77 (10.62)	53	77.01 (NR)	NR	NR
	Whole family	Cantril Ladder QoL (0-100)	IG1	36	74.63 (16.71)	54	82.19 (NR)	NR	76.77 (10.62)	53	75.53 (NR)	NR	Beta (SE)=-0.21 (1.59), NS
Graff, 2006 ³⁴⁹ Fair	Caregiver + patient	DQOL single item (1-5)	IG1	3	3.3 (0.9)	67	4.1 (0.6)	NR	3.4 (0.8)	65	3.4 (0.8)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.9 (0.6, 1.1), <0.0001
Judge, 2013* ³⁵³ Fair	patient	QOL-AD (0-18)	IG1	3	10.88 (2.73)	59	10.92 (3.04)	NR	10.92 (3.76)	59	10.69 (3.40)	NR	Beta=0.04,>0.05
Kurz, 2010 ³⁵⁵ Fair		SF-36 emotional well-being (0-100)	IG1	15	NR	127	NR	-5.3 (24.5)	NR	113	NR	-7.8 (25.9)	NR, 0.33
		SF-36 role functioning, emotional (0-100)	IG1	15	NR	125	NR	5.3 (48.5)	NR	115	NR	-10.4 (51.2)	NR, 0.01
		SF-36 social functioning (0-100)	IG1	15	NR	127	NR	2.3 (31.3)	NR	115	NR	2.0 (33.5)	NR, 0.64
Laakkonen, 2016* ³⁵⁷	patient	SF-36 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	3	51.0 (9.1)		NR	` ,	47.6 (45.1)	67	NR	-0.25 (NR)	
Fair	patient	SF-36 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	9	51.0 (9.1)		NR	` ,	47.6 (45.1)	67	NR	-0.42 (NR)	
	patient	SF-36 PCS (0-100)		3	44.0 (9.8)		NR	1.0 (NR)	43.8 (10.5)	67	NR	, ,	Cohen's D=0.38,0.006
	patient	SF-36 PCS (0-100)		9	44.0 (9.8)		NR	-0.0 (NR)	43.8 (10.5)	67	NR	, ,	NR, 0.13
Martin-Carrasco, 2009 ³⁶²		SF-36 emotional well-being (0-100)	IG1	10	60.2 (9.5)		63.0 (9.2)		60.8 (8.1)		60.9 (8.3)	NR	NR, 0.3197
Fair		SF-36 energy/vitality (0- 100)	IG1	10	47.4 (21.6)	44	53.8 (15.9)	NR	42.8 (16.1)	38	38.9 (17.9)	NR	NR, 0.0002
		SF-36 general health (0-100)	IG1	10	48.4 (18.5)	44	53.4 (18.0)	NR	44.6 (19.2)	38	40.1 (15.7)	NR	NR, 0.0011
		SF-36 pain (0-100)	IG1	10	63.0 (25.9)	44	74.0 (18.7)	NR	61.4 (26.2)	38	61.7 (26.9)	NR	NR, 0.0157
		SF-36 physical functioning (0-100)	IG1	10		44	80.1 (20.7)	NR	71.7 (21.4)	55	68.8 (25.6)	NR	NR, 0.0310
	Caregiver	SF-36 role functioning, emotional (0-100)	IG1	10	57.6 (45.7)	44	73.5 (41.0)	NR	63.2 (39.4)	38	47.4 (48.2)	NR	NR, 0.0160

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		SF-36 role functioning, physical (0-100)	IG1	10	61.4 (44.6)	44	84.7 (34.6)	NR	53.9 (44.5)	38	56.8 (47.0)	NR	NR, 0.0074
		SF-36 social functioning (0-100)	IG1	10	63.4 (28.5)	44	71.0 (23.4)	NR	70.8 (27.0)	38	58.9 (27.7)	NR	NR, 0.0488
Martin-Carrasco, 2014* ³⁶¹ Fair	Caregiver	SF-12 emotional well-being (0-100)	IG1	4	60.5 (22.9)	115	NR		60.0 (23.9)	123	NR	2.76 (19.2)	MDC (95% CI)=- 1.23 (-7.22, 4.75), NS
		SF-12 energy/vitality (0- 100)	IG1	4	53.3 (28.6)	115	NR	2.04 (28.6)	(30.7)	123	NR	-1.67 (29.5)	MDC (95% CI)=3.71 (-4.34, 11.76), NS
		SF-12 general health (0-100)	IG1	4	40.9 (21.5)	115	NR	-3.12 (19.3)	41.0 (21.3)	123	NR	1.89 (20.0)	MDC (95% CI)=- 5.01 (-10.48, 0.45), NS
	Caregiver	SF-12 pain (0-100)		4	68.4 (32.6)	115	NR		71.2 (32.0)	123	NR	-0.47 (34.3)	MDC (95% CI)=6.85 (-1.58, 15.28), NS
Martin-Carrasco, 2014* ³⁶¹ Fair		SF-12 physical functioning (0-100)	IG1	4	72.7 (33.3)	115	NR	-1.02 (30.0)	66.7 (35.2)	123	NR	0.0 (41.3)	MDC (95% CI)=- 1.02 (-11.10, 9.06),
		SF-12 role functioning, emotional (0-100)	IG1	4	77.3 (25.3)	115	NR	-3.06 (27.7)	78.4 (24.6)	123	NR	1.19 (24.5)	MDC (95% CI)=- 4.25 (-11.48, 2.98), NS
		SF-12 role functioning, physical (0-100)	IG1	4	66.9 (27.0)	115	NR	3.09 (26.9)	72.3 (27.2)	123	NR	1.30 (26.7)	MDC (95% CI)=1.80 (-5.63, 9.22), NS
		SF-12 social functioning (0-100)	IG1	4	73.0 (28.2)	115	NR	-4.08 (31.6)	74.1 (28.0)	123	NR	-3.30 (30.3)	MDC (95% CI)=- 0.78 (-9.33, 7.77), NS
Tremont, 2015*373 Fair	Caregiver	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	6	80.08 (16.07)	133	79.87 (15.00)	NR	77.14 (17.61)	117	77.59 (15.69)	NR	NR, 0.748
Voigt-Radloff, 2011 ³⁷⁵	Caregiver + patient	DQOL single item (1-5)	IG1	6	3.1 (0.8)	51	3.0 (0.7)	NR	3.1 (0.7)	48	3.2 (0.8)	NR	MD (95% CI)=0.2 (-0.1, 0.5), NS
Fair	patient	DQOL single item (1-5)	IG1	12	3.1 (0.8)		2.8 (0.8)		, ,	48	3.0 (0.8)		MD (95% CI)=0.2 (-0.1, 0.5), NS
	patient	SF-12 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	6	50.9 (9.1)		50.2 (9.1)		49.8 (10.7)	38	50.1 (10.7)	NR	MD (95% CI)=0.0 (-4.5, 4.4), NS
	Caregiver + patient	SF-12 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	12	50.9 (9.1)	40	49.5 (11.9)	NR	49.8 (10.7)	38	47.7 (10.7)	NR	MD (95% CI)=- 1.7 (-6.7, 3.4), NS

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	patient	SF-12 PCS (0-100)		6	42.4 (11.5)	40	45.4 (10.7)	NR	43.5 (11.3)	38	45.0 (10.5)	NR	MD (95% CI)=- 0.4 (-5.2, 4.4), NS
	Caregiver + patient	SF-12 PCS (0-100)	IG1	12	42.4 (11.5)	40	42.7 (10.7)	NR	43.5 (11.3)	38	41.6 (11.7)	NR	MD (95% CI)=- 1.0 (-6.1, 4.0), NS
Waldorff, 2012 ³⁷⁶ Good	Caregiver + patient	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	6	79.3 (16.3)	141	81.6 (16.4)	2.07 (16.3)	81.4 (16.3)	150	80.3 (18.2)	-1.25 (14.3)	MDC (95% CI)=2.61 (0.76, 4.46), 0.006
	Caregiver + patient	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	12	79.3 (16.3)	128	79.5 (16.0)	0.02 (16.3)	81.4 (16.3)	144	81.8 (17.0)	-0.38 (14.5)	MDC (95% CI)=- 0.65 (-1.70, 0.39), 0.22
	Caregiver + patient	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	36	79.3 (16.3)	163	80.3 (NR)	0.14 (NR)	81.4 (16.3)	167	79.5 (NR)	-2.71 (NR)	NR, 0.28
Wang, 2011* ³⁷⁷ Fair	Caregiver + patient	WHOQoL-BREF (28-144)	IG1	6	65.9 (13.0)	40	78.8 (19.0)	NR	67.0 (13.5)	40	68.9 (15.7)	NR	NR, <0.001
Wilz, 2018* ³⁸⁰ Good	Caregiver	WHOQoL-BREF (0-100)	IG1	6	50.18 (17.99)	139	55.58 (17.75)	NR	47.48 (17.99)	134	50.00 (18.37)	NR	MD=0.386, 0.006
	Caregiver	WHOQoL-BREF (0-100)	IG1	12	50.18 (17.99)	139	54.20 (19.55)	NR	47.48 (17.99)	134	53.35 (18.91)	NR	MD=0.057, 0.714
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Chien, 2011*384 Good	Whole family	WHOQoL-BREF (28-144)	IG1	6	64.9 (15.0)	44	75.1 (16.8)	NR	67.1 (15.5)	44	69.8 (16.7)	NR	NR
	Whole family	(28-144)	IG1	12	64.9 (15.0)	444	81.4 (16.0)	NR	67.1 (15.5)	44	65.2 (17.5)	NR	F statistic=6.7, <0.001
	patient	WHOQoL-BREF (28-144)	IG1	12	64.8 (13.0)	46	80.4 (15.0)	NR	67.1 (15.5)	46	65.2 (17.5)	NR	MD (SE)=15.2 (1.1), 0.01
	patient	WHOQoL-BREF (28-144)	IG1	18	64.8 (13.0)	45	82.7 (13.5)	NR	67.1 (15.5)	45	64.5 (13.1)	NR	MD (SE)=18.2 (1.2), 0.005
Jansen, 2011 ³⁹⁰ Fair		SF-36 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	6	51.0 (NR)	54	48.7 (NR)	NR	48.0 (NR)	45	49.1 (NR)	NR	NS
		SF-36 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	12	51.0 (NR)	54	48.2 (NR)	NR	48.0 (NR)	45	47.7 (NR)	NR	F statistic=1.37, 0.26
		SF-36 PCS (0-100)		6	44.5 (NR)	54	45.5 (NR)	NR	48.0 (NR)	45	46.5 (NR)	NR	NS
		SF-36 PCS (0-100)		12	44.5 (NR)	54	46.0 (NR)	NR	48.0 (NR)	45	47.5 (NR)	NR	F statistic=1.06, 0.35
Lam, 2010 ³⁹¹ Fair	Caregiver + patient	PWI-A (0-100)	IG1	4	63.6 (15.1)	57	NR	1.4 [‡] (NR)	61.2 (18.5)	42	NR	-4.3 [‡] (NR)	NS

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	patient	PWI-A (0-100)	IG1	12	(15.1)	53	NR	2.9 [‡] (NR)	61.2 (18.5)	39	NR	, ,	NS
Meewsen, 2012 ³⁹³ Good	Caregiver + patient	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	6	37.6 (3.6)	80	NR	NR	38.5 (4.7)	78	NR	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=-0.20 (-1.07, 0.66), 0.64
	Caregiver + patient	QOL-AD (13-52)	IG1	12	37.6 (3.6)	78	NR	NR	38.5 (4.7)	75	NR	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.17 (-0.70, 1.04), 0.70
Samus, 2014* ³⁹⁵ Fair	Caregiver + patient	SF-12 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	18	48.89 (1.08) [§]	106	48.45 (1.22) [§]	NR	48.64 (0.82)§	183	47.54 (1.00) [§]	NR	MDC (95% CI)=- 0.66 (-1.9, 3.2), 0.69
	Caregiver + patient	SF-12 PCS (0-100)	IG1	18	48.88 (1.11) [§]	106	49.31 (1.25) [§]	NR	48.11 (0.84) [§]	183	47.00 (1.02) [§]	NR	MDC (95% CI)=1.53 (-1.1, 4.2), 0.43
Vickrey, 2006 ³⁹⁷ Good	Caregiver	EQ-5D index value (assume 0-1)	IG1	12	0.83 (0.17)	205	0.83 (0.18)	NR	0.80 (0.22)	156	0.79 (0.22)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.02 (-0.01, 0.06), 0.19
	Caregiver	EQ-5D index value (assume 0-1)	IG1	17	0.83 (0.17)	166	0.81 (0.16)	NR	0.80 (0.22)	124	0.77 (0.23)	NR	Adj MD (95% CI)=0.02 (-0.01, 0.06), 0.13
Xiao, 2016* ³⁹⁸ Fair		SF-36 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	6	30.3 (5.3)		37.1 (8.2)	1	27.3 (10.9)	30	24.7 (10.1)	NR	NR
Xiao, 2016* ³⁹⁸ Fair		SF-36 MCS (0- 100)	IG1	12	30.3 (5.3)	31	38.7 (7.0))NR	27.3 (10.9)	30	23.0 (8.6)	NR	F statistic=22.35, <0.001
		SF-36 PCS (0-100)		6	42.2 (7.2)		41.8 (7.6)		44.9 (8.5)		41.8 (8.5)	NR	NR
	Caregiver	SF-36 PCS (0-100)	IG1	12	42.2 (7.2)	31	41.1 (7.7))NR	44.9 (8.5)	30	41.6 (8.7)	NR	F statistic=2.68, 0.08
Other Interventions													
Charlesworth, 2008 ³⁹⁹ Fair	Caregiver	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	6	74.0 (16.8)	104	75.7 (17.0)	NR	73.1 (18.1)	113	72.9 (17.7)	NR	LSM (95% CI)=- 2.06 (-5.51, 1.38), NR
	Caregiver	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	15	74.0 (16.8)	96	73.8 (18.3)	NR	73.1 (18.1)	106	69.9 (18.1)	NR	LSM (95% CI)=- 2.33 (-6.88, 2.23), NR
	Caregiver	EQ-VAS (0-100)	IG1	22	74.0 (16.8)	93	72.5 (19.7)	NR	73.1 (18.1)	97	68.1 (18.2)	NR	LSM (95% CI)=- 3.03 (-8.42, 2.35), NR

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Leach, 2015* ⁴⁰⁴ Good	Caregiver	AQoL-8D Mental superdomain (0-1)	IG1	3	0.35 (0.21)	1 -	0.42 (0.22)	NR	0.30 (0.11)	9	0.29 (0.07)	Adj MD (SD)=0.09 (0.14), 0.024
	Caregiver	AQoL-8D Mental superdomain (0-1)	IG1	6	0.35 (0.21)	-	0.37 (0.22)	NR	0.30 (0.11)	9	0.33 (0.10)	Adj MD (SD)=0.004 (0.14), 0.359
	Caregiver	AQoL-8D Physical superdomain (0-1)	IG1	3	0.66 (0.24)	-	0.77 (0.23)	NR	0.73 (0.17)	9	0.76 (0.14)	Adj MD (SD)=0.05 (0.27), 0.043
	Caregiver	AQoL-8D Physical superdomain (0-1)	IG1	6	0.66 (0.24)	-	0.74 (0.21)	NR	0.73 (0.17)	9	0.79 (0.14)	Adj MD (SD)=- 0.006 (0.22), 0.669
	Caregiver	AQoL-8D utility score (0-1)	IG1	3	0.65 (0.23)	_	0.74 (0.21)	NR	0.66 (0.14)	9	0.67 (0.10)	Adj MD (SD)=0.08 (0.19), 0.878
	Caregiver	AQoL-8D utility score (0-1)	IG1	6	0.65 (0.23)	_	0.70 (0.21)	NR	0.66 (0.14)	9	0.71 (0.12)	Adj MD (SD)=- 0.002 (0.17), 0.878

^{*} New study

Abbreviations: ACQOL = Adult Carers Quality of Life scale; Adj MD = adjusted mean difference; AQoL-8D = Assessment of Quality of Life 8-demension; BL = baseline; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; DQOL = Dementia Quality of Life; EQ-5D = EuroQol 5-Dimensions; EQ-VAS = EuroQol Visual Analog Scale; FU = followup; IG = intervention group; Int arm = intervention arm; MD = mean difference; MDC = mean difference in change; mo. = months; NR = not reported; NS = not statistically significant; PWI-A = Personal Well-being Index-Adults; QOL = Quality of Life; QOL-AD = Quality of Life in Alzheimer's Disease; SD = standard deviation; SE = standard error; SF-12 = Short Form 12-item SF-36 Short Form 36-item; SF-36 MCS = Short Form 36-item, Mental Component Summary; SF-36 PCS = Short Form 36-item, Physical Component Summary; WHOQOL-BREF = World Health Organization Quality of Life Measure-Brief Version

[†] Higher values indicate better outcomes for all instruments

[‡] Median change

[§] Standard error