
Wearables Employment in Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias Research

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Development of Guidelines for Device Selection
and Participant Protocols

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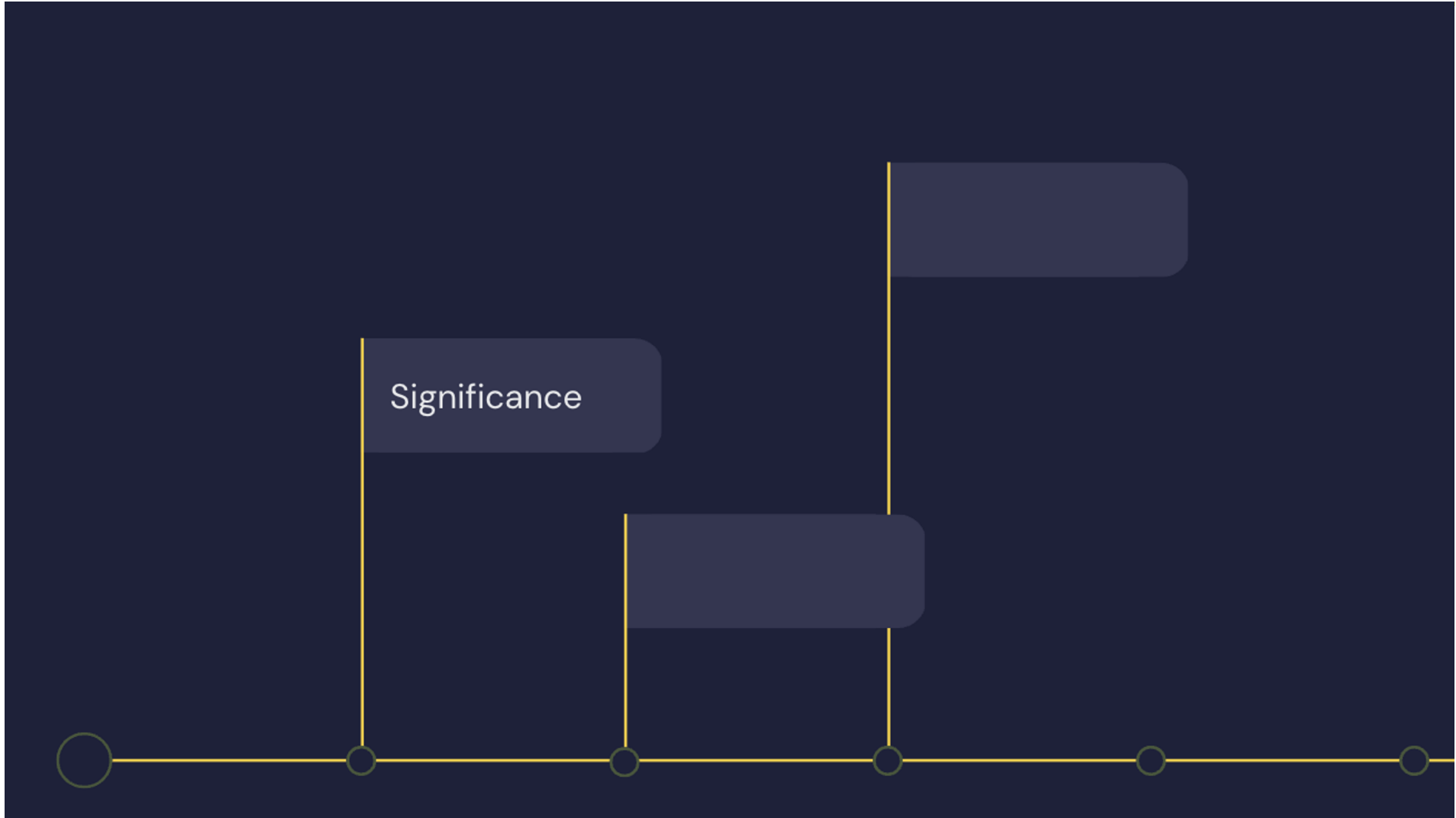
Overview

Current status

Significance

Study design







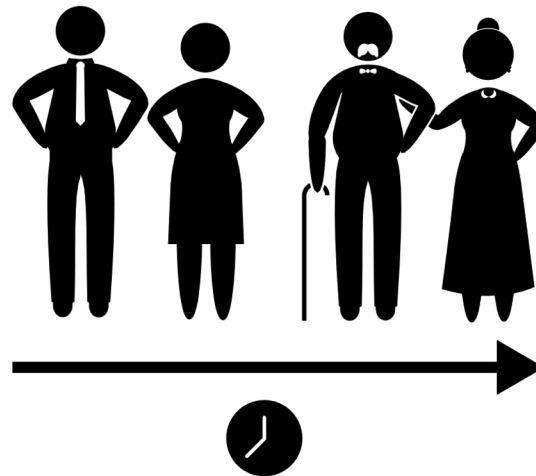
**Increased prevalence
of dementia
and related
caregiver strain**



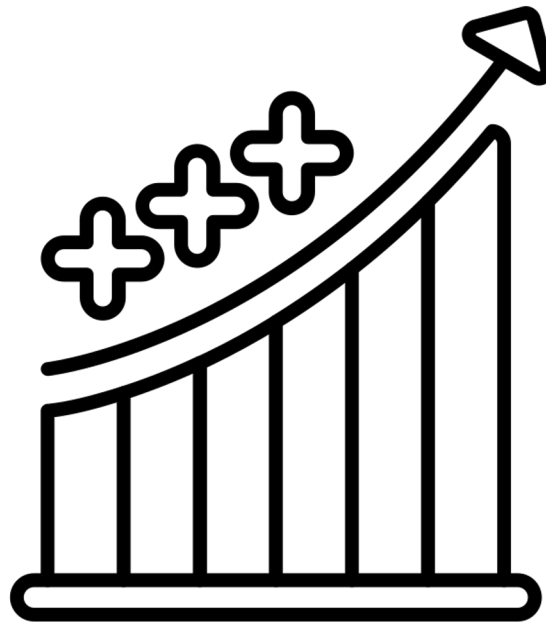
**Challenges of
conducting research
with this population**



**Need more effective and innovative methods
to enhance long-term research in the area**

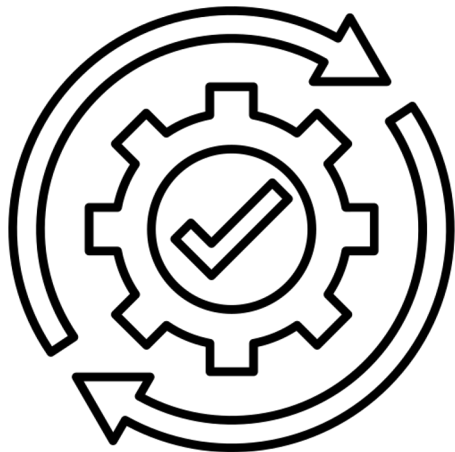


Wearable technology has great potential in long-term dementia research

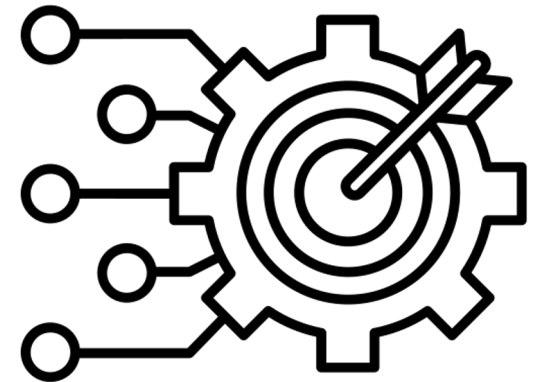




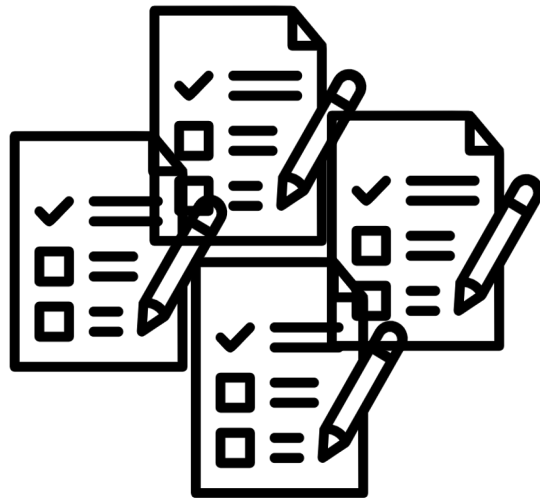
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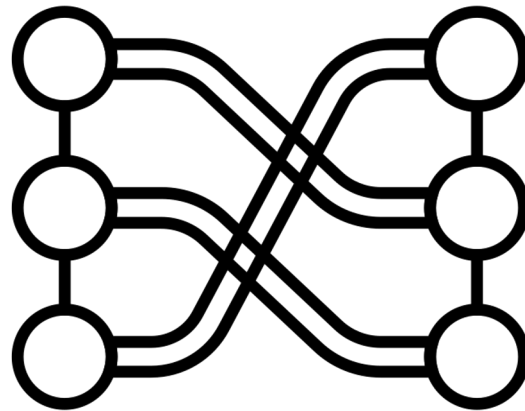
Increase the
amount and quality
of information



Could improve study retention by reducing burden



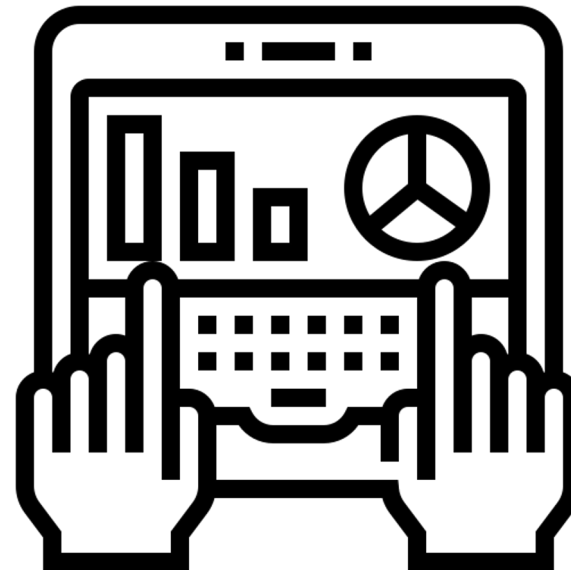
Better implementation of wearables can advance dementia studies



**Evidence-based
device selection
and participant protocols?**



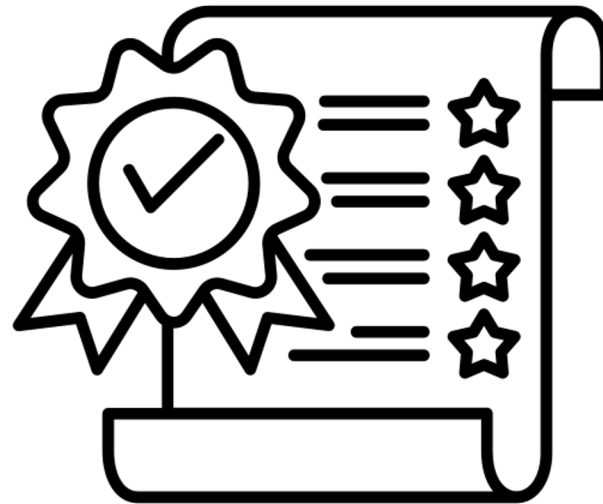
**Devices that meet
researcher needs**



Data usability

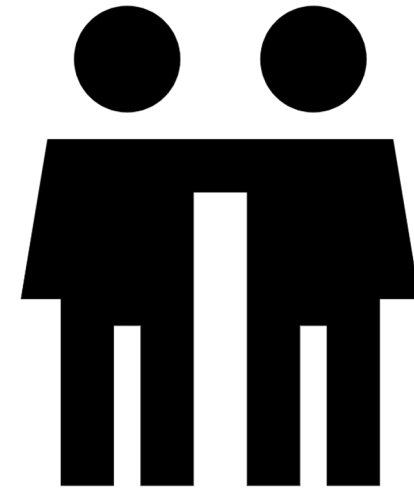
Data accessibility

Limited technical problems





**Devices that meet
participant needs and
preferences**



Facilitators to buy-in

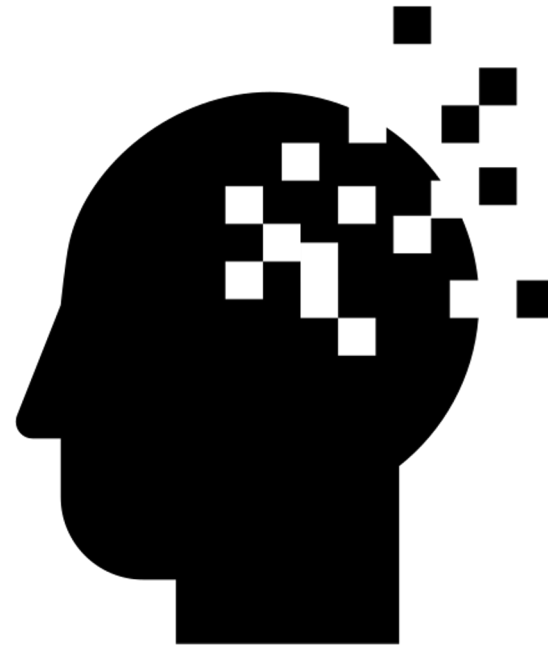
trust, unobtrusiveness, design type, ease

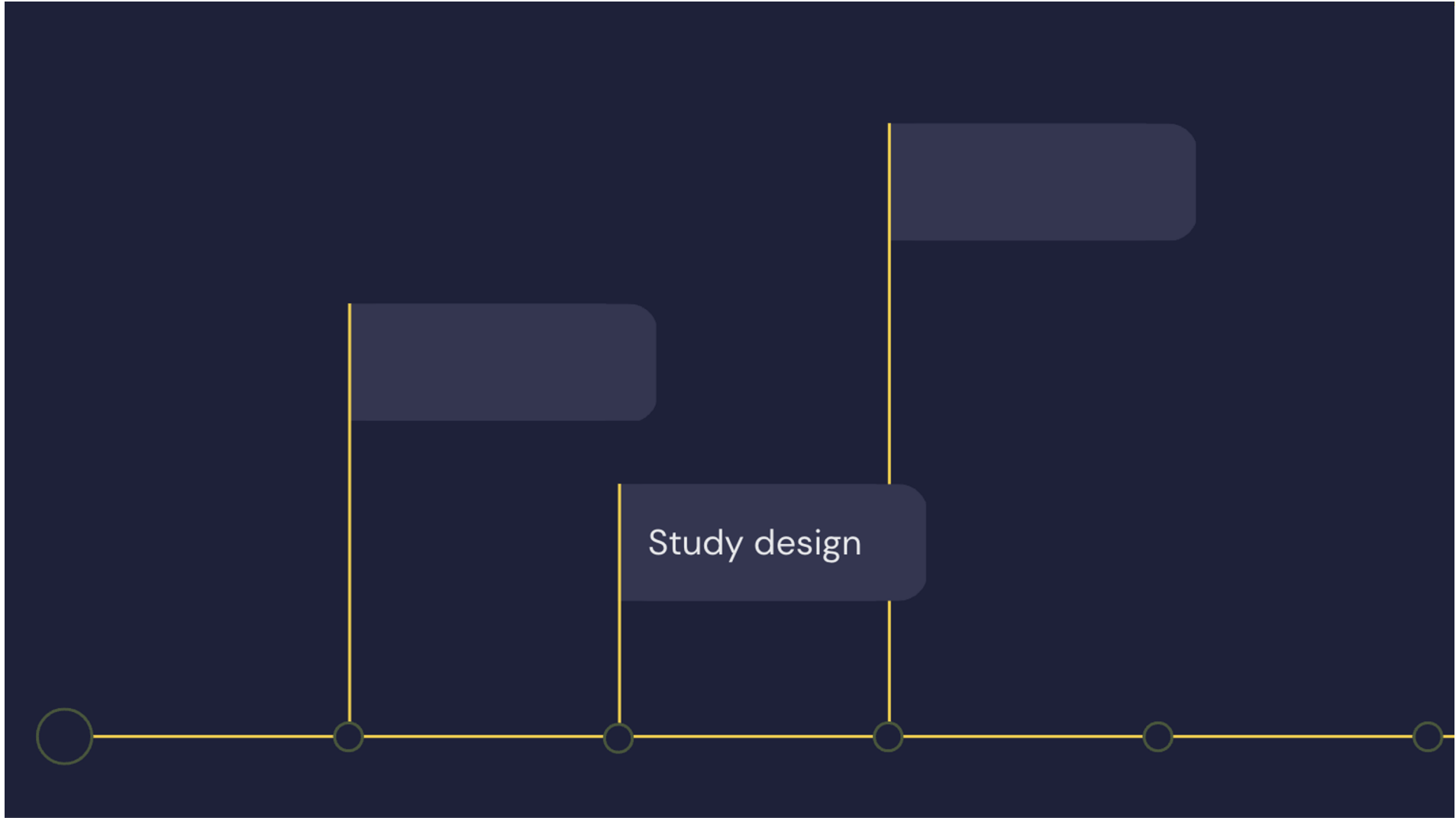
Barriers to adherence

memory, changing needs, simplicity of use

Address ethical concerns

fluctuating consent, privacy concerns





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SYSTEMATIC REVIEW
Current state of usability and
adherence factors

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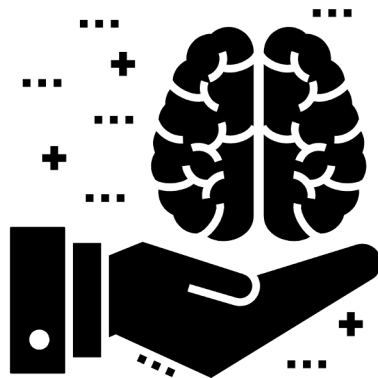
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2016+ original research articles

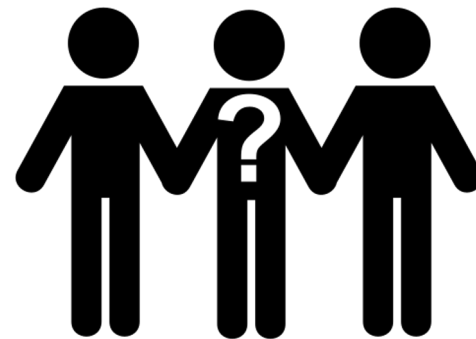
Participants

Viewpoints and experiences



Researchers

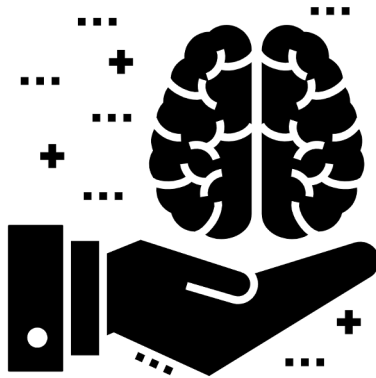
Adherence issues and solutions



Expected results

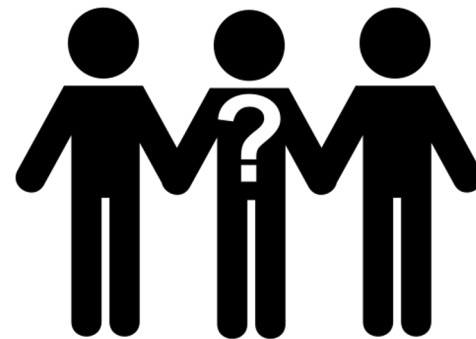
Participants

Barriers and facilitators to use



Researchers

Device and protocol needs



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DEVICE TESTING
In-house evaluation of available
devices to meet research needs

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Wearables candidates

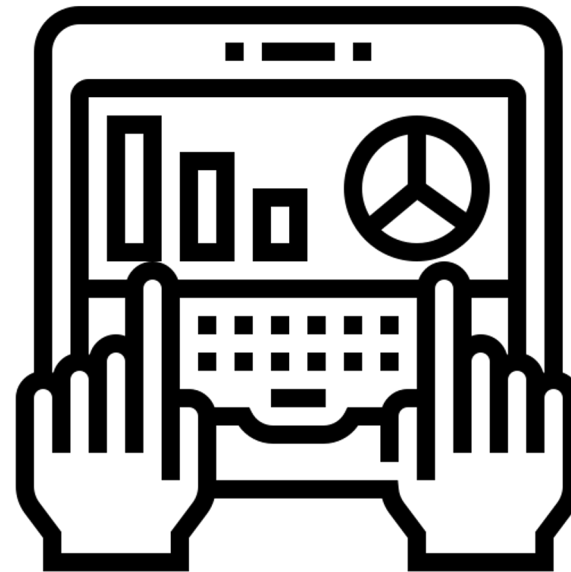
Participants

Meet preferences
and reduces barriers



Researchers

Variety of forms and data targets

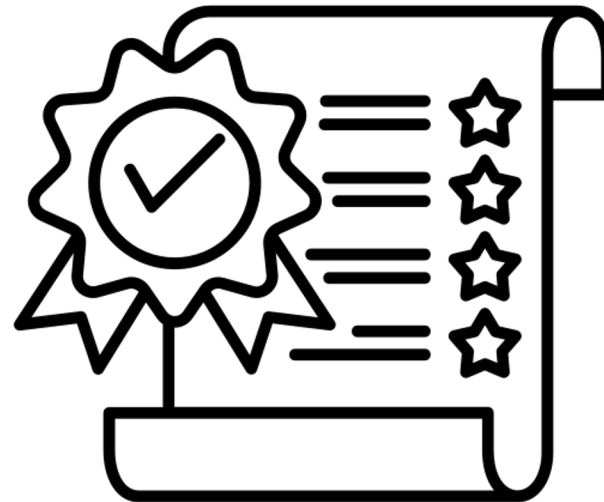


In-house testing scenarios

Data access

Data quality

Initial usability/durability



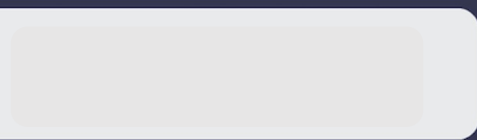
Expected results

Device name	Class (form)	Sensor availability	API Link (data access)	Battery assessments

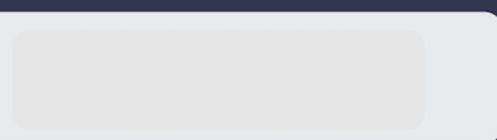
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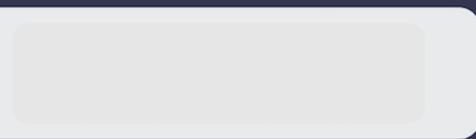


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PARTICIPANT STUDY

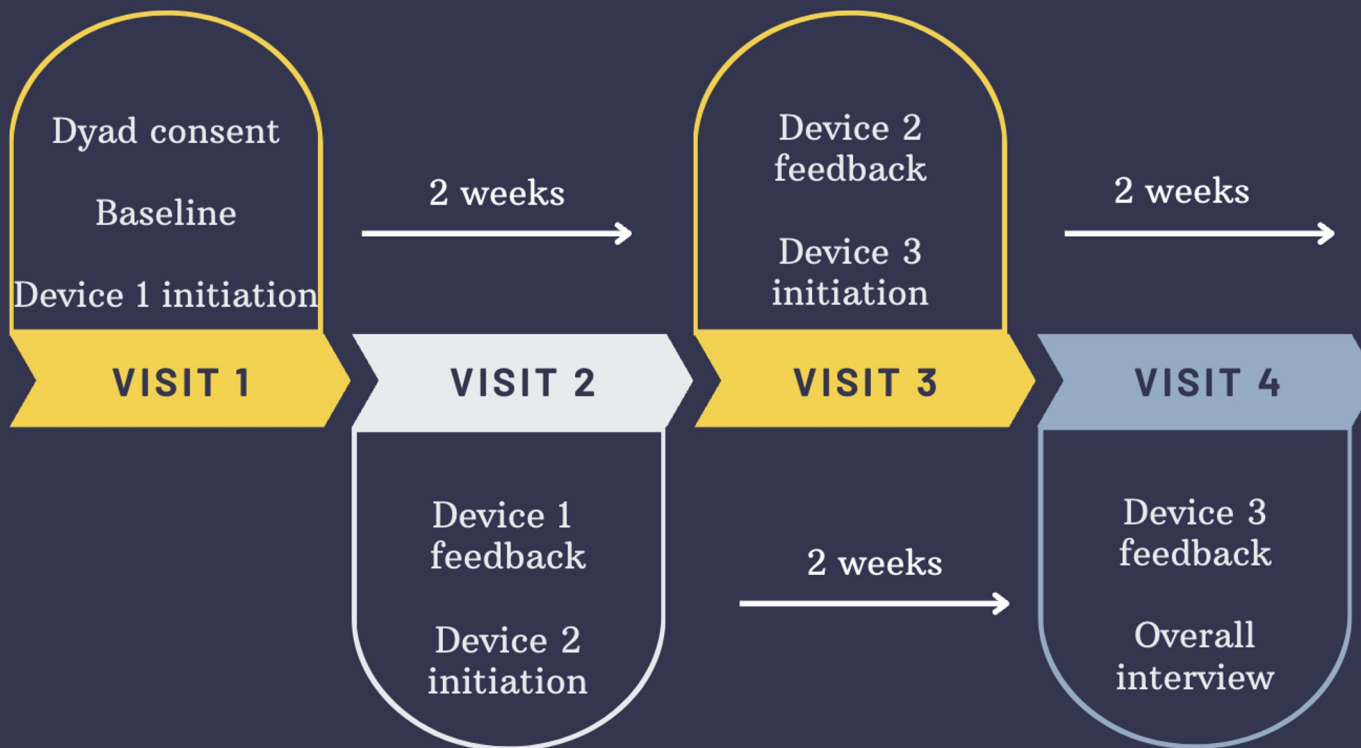
Trial real world data quality and support needs

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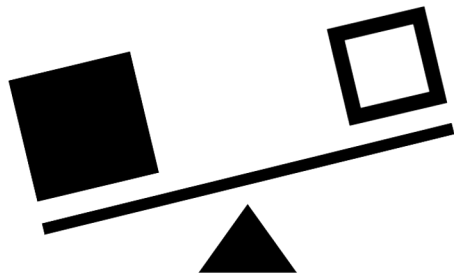
Participant study design

3 randomized devices with 20 dyads

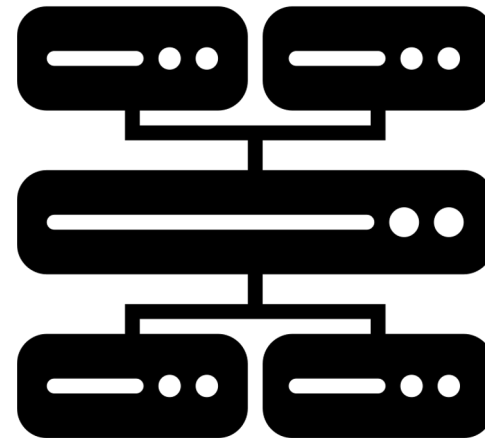


Expected results

Comparative insights into device (dis)advantages



Adherence and support protocols



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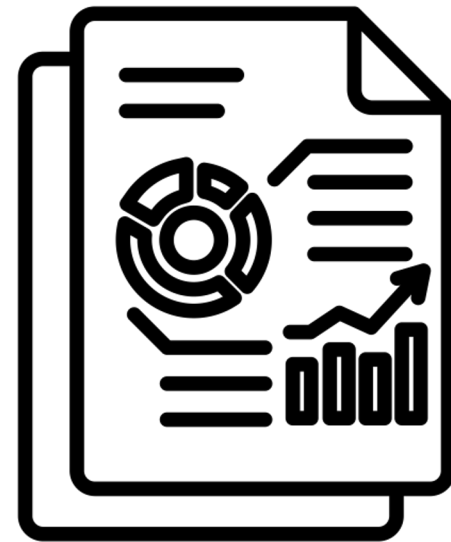
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GUIDELINES
Describe device criteria and protocol methods to enhance research

Expected results

**Evidence-based guide synthesizing
key takeaways from Aims 1-3**

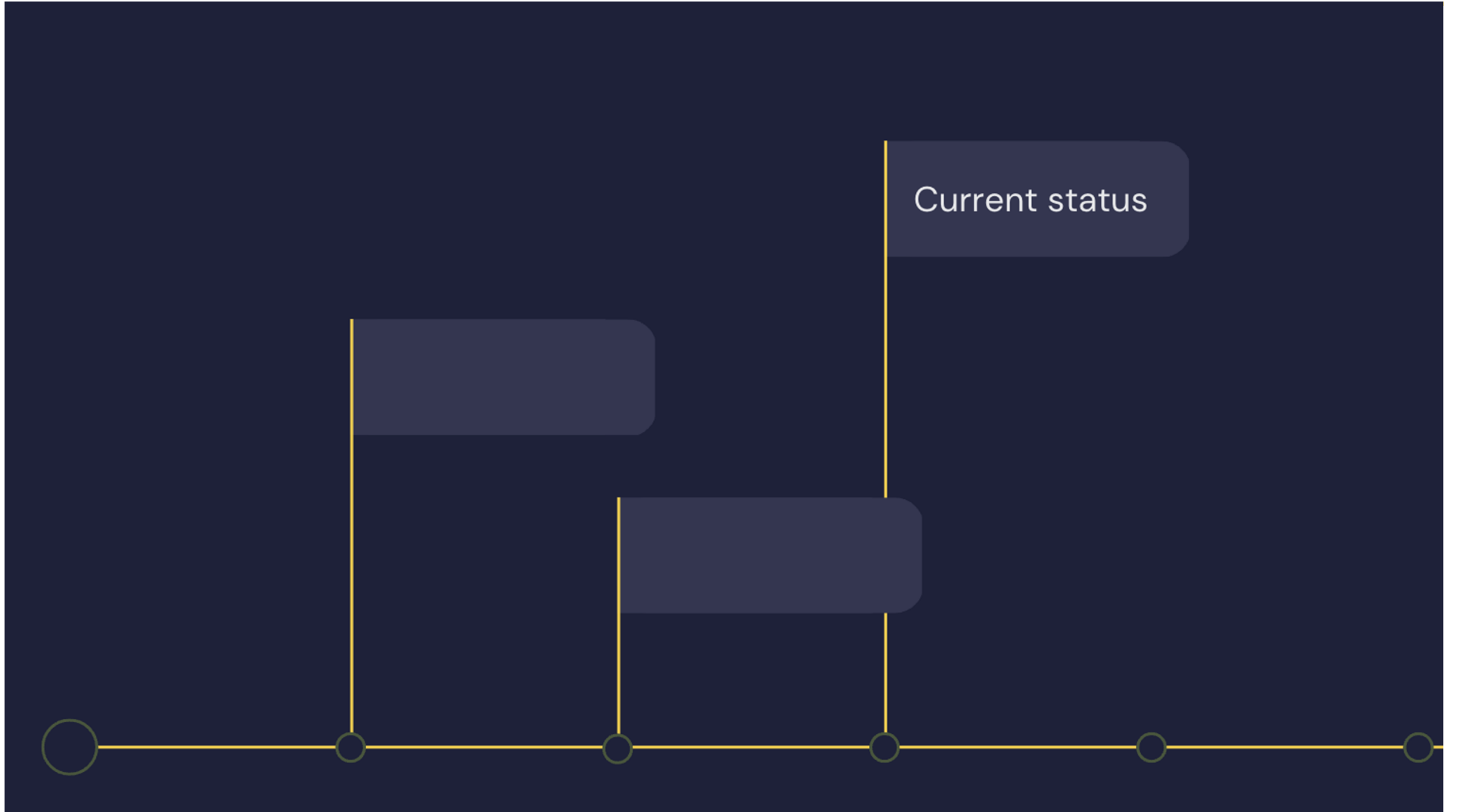


Expected results

Support superior long-term wearables research with dementia populations

Inform longer-term usability and protocol testing matched to specific behavioral targets





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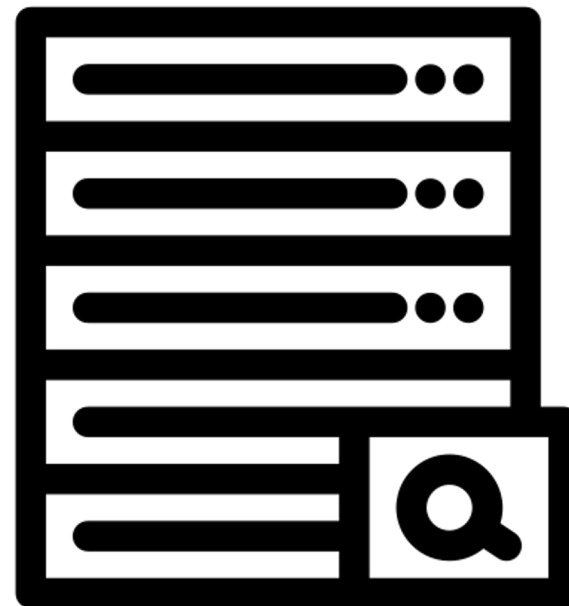
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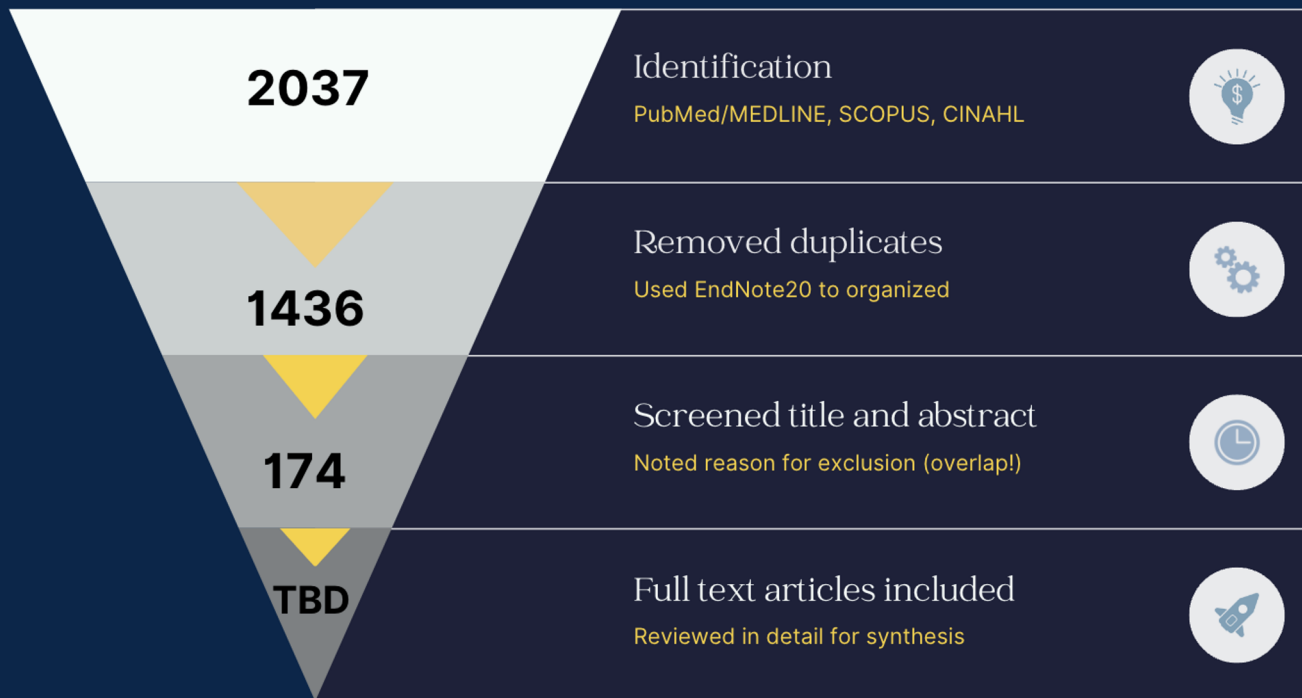
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Filters: from 2016 – 2023



Using PRISMA 2020

Systematic review flow



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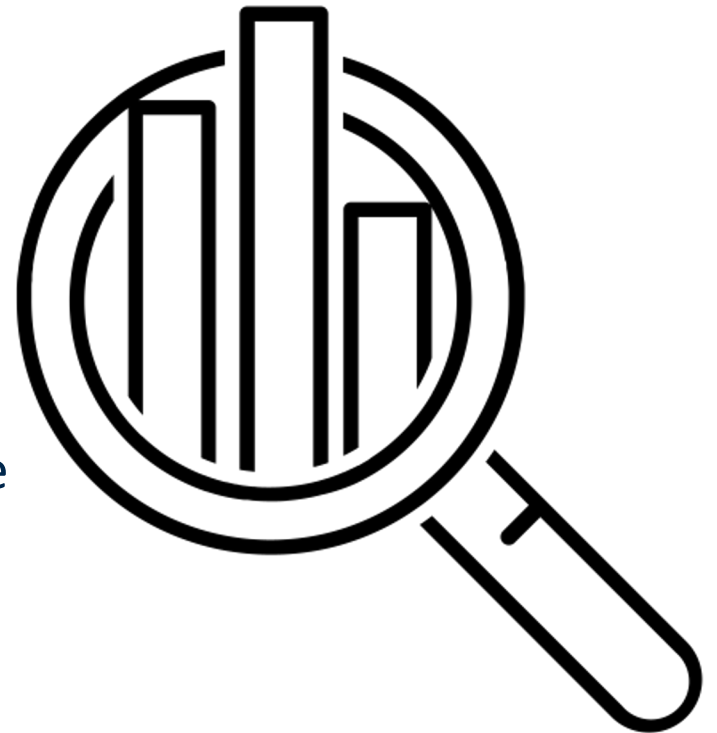
Software exploration

Sensor data types and forms

Direct access

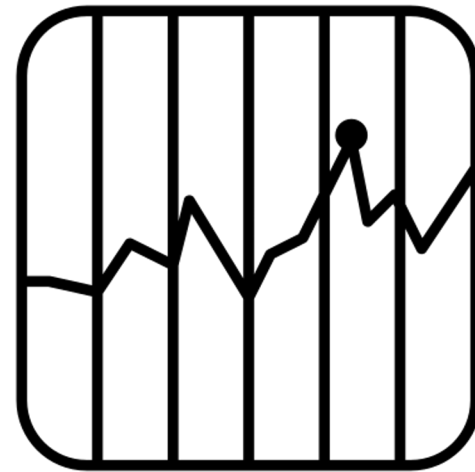
- Environment sensors
- GPS and WIFI RTT
- Geomagnetic, accelerometer/gyroscope
proximity sensors

Battery life management and concerns



Thank you!

**Questions?
Comments?**



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