



Alzheimer's Society

Dementia care and research

Quality Research in Dementia

Dr Susanne Sorensen

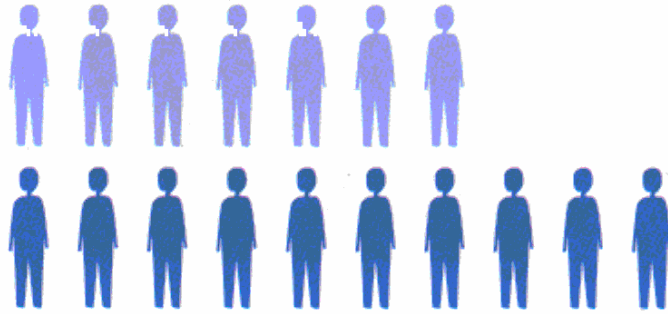
Head of Research

Projected increase in numbers of people with dementia for the years 2000 – 2025

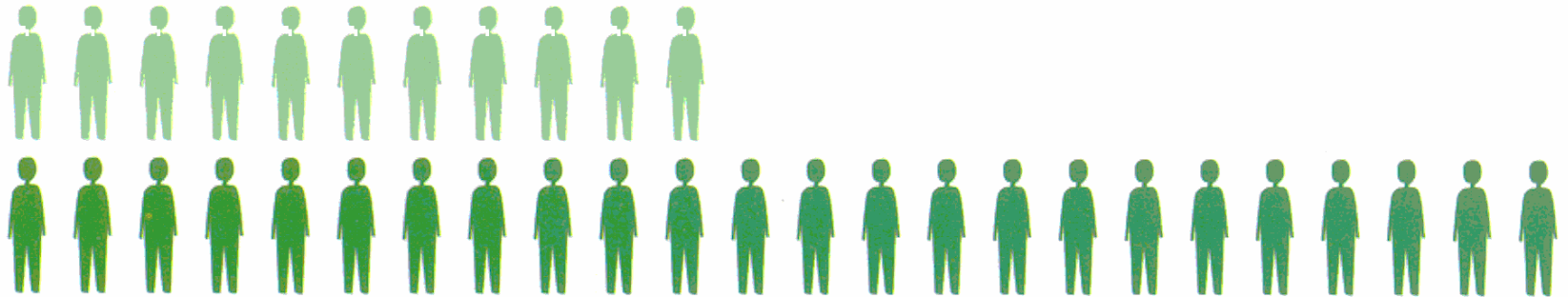
Totals for all countries:

2000 18 million
2025 34 million

Developed countries



Developing countries



Millions 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

YEAR
2000

YEAR
2025

YEAR
2000

YEAR
2025

Research priorities

- Consumer network brainstorm every 2 years
- 3 themes remain

Cure

- Development of new and evaluation of existing drugs
- Stem cell research
- Early and better diagnosis
- Alternative and complementary therapy

Cause

- Basic science research
- Epidemiological research on risk factors
- Mechanism of disease progression
- Resources for basic research – brain bank

Care

- Alleviation of distressing behavioural symptoms
- Quality of life
- Dementia specific training for health care staff at all levels
- Future needs for NHS pertaining to dementia

For me I like Martin Luther King "I have a dream". I may not see the promised land but I'd like to think in the next eighteen months research will have made more progress.
Only research can prevent the lives of our children being destroyed by this bloody illness - excuse the French.

'I like Martin Luther King's: "I have a Dream."
I may not see the promised land, but I'd like to think in the next eighteen months research will have made more progress.

Only research can prevent the lives of our children being destroyed by this bloody illness.

