

END-OF-LIFE CARE RESEARCH GROUP

AT THE EAPC CONGRESS 2018

END-OF-LIFE CARE RESEARCH GROUP

ACHIEVING THE BEST PALLIATIVE AND END-OF-LIFE CARE



*Director
Prof. dr. Luc Deliens*

The 10th EAPC World Congress is a special edition for the End-of-Life Care Research Group. With **1 plenary session and 11 talks in parallel session**, it is one the most successful EAPC Congresses since our group was founded 17 years ago.

This booklet gives a handy **overview of our many activities** during #EAPC2018.

I hope to see you at one of our presentations, the open meeting of the EAPC Reference Group on Public Health and Palliative Care (p4) and the PACE Seminar on Global Views on Palliative Care for Older People (p10).

Would you like to **win a free ticket** to the International Seminar on Public Health Research in Palliative Care later this year in Brussels? Just start following us on Twitter or subscribe at our stand in the NPO Village where you can meet some of our 30 delegates at the conference (p16)!

ABOUT THE END OF LIFE CARE RESEARCH GROUP

The End-of-Life Care Research Group is based in Brussels and Ghent and was formally founded at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel in 2001 and joined by Ghent University in 2010.

Over a period of 17 years, the research team has developed rapidly into a unique internationally respected multidisciplinary research team. Its aim is to conduct high-quality scientific research in palliative care in Belgium, Europe and beyond.

The group is led by the director prof. dr. Luc Deliens, medical sociologist, professor of Palliative Care Research at Vrije Universiteit Brussel and Ghent University, and by the co-director prof. dr. Simon Van Belle, professor of medical oncology, department of Medical Oncology and Palliative Care, Ghent University Hospital.

RESEARCH PROGRAMS

END-OF-LIFE CARE RESEARCH GROUP

The research is coordinated within three main research programs, each managed by at least two post-doctoral research fellows and one program chair.

1. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PALLIATIVE CARE

Chaired by Prof. dr. Joachim Cohen

Research aimed at describing and understanding the circumstances and quality of dying and their determinants from a population perspective (i.e. applying a public health research perspective to end-of-life care).



2. AGING AND PALLIATIVE CARE

Chaired by Prof. dr. Lieve Van den Block

Research aimed at acquiring the insights necessary to improve the quality of palliative care for older people and those with non-cancer conditions, and to understand the mechanisms needed to improve end-of-life care in long-term care facilities.



3. PALLIATIVE CARE FOR PEOPLE WITH CANCER

Chaired by dr. Kim Beernaert

Research aimed at acquiring the insights necessary to improve the quality of palliative care for people with cancer and to understand the mechanisms of integration of palliative care into mainstream oncology treatment.



Our team consists of more than 50 staff members with different scientific backgrounds. For other people in our team, see

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ACTIVITIES AT EAPC 2018

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THURSDAY 24 MAY 2018

END-OF-LIFE CARE RESEARCH GROUP AT EAPC 2018

12:15 – 13:45

OPEN MEETING OF THE EAPC REFERENCE GROUP ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND PALLIATIVE CARE



Location: Sopra Grande

Agenda items a.o.: compassionate communities, open discussion, invitation to the 2018 Conference

Chairs

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Joachim.Cohen@vub.be

14.00 – 15:30

FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION: CARE FOR PEOPLE WITH DEMENTIA



14:00-14:15 Sopra Grande *Aging & Palliative Care*

Attitudes of Carers of Nursing Home Residents towards Palliative Care in Dementia: Results of the EU FP7 PACE Cross-sectional Study in Six EU Countries (FC13)

Rose.Miranda@vub.be

Junior Researcher, MSc - Health Scientist

FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION: PUBLIC HEALTH RESEARCH



14:00-15:30 Sopra 1-3 *Public Health & Policy*

Chair

Joachim.Cohen@vub.be
Prof. of Public Health and Palliative Care,
MSc, PhD – Sociologist



14:30-14:45 Sopra 1-3 *Public Health & Policy*

Support for Family Caregivers in Specialized Palliative Care: A Crosssectional Survey Study (FC9)

Maarten.Vermorgen@vub.be
Junior Researcher, MSc - Psychologist and Economist

FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION: INTEGRATION OF ONCOLOGY AND PALLIATIVE CARE



14:00-15:30 Kursaal Arena *Cancer & Palliative Care*

Chair

Galle.Vanbutsele@vub.be
Junior Researcher, MSc - Clinical Psychologist

16.30 – 18:00

FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION: COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION
IN OLDER PEOPLE



16:30-16:45 Sopra Grande *Ageing & Palliative Care*

End-of-Life Decisions for People Dying of Dementia: A Nation-wide Survey in Flanders (FC31)

Annelien.van.Dael@vub.be
Junior Researcher MSc – Psychologist

FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION: EARLY PALLIATIVE CARE INTERVENTIONS



16:45-17:00 Kursaal Arena *Cancer & Palliative Care*

Differences between Early and Late Involvement of Palliative Home Care in Oncology Care: A Focus Group Study with PHC Teams (FC20)

Naomi.Dhollander@ugent.be
Junior Researcher, MSc - Clinical Psychologist



17:30-17:45 Kursaal Arena *Cancer & Palliative Care*

The Effects of Early and Systematic Integration of Palliative Care in Caregivers of Patients with Advanced Cancer: A Randomized Controlled Trial (FC23)

Gaëlle.Vanbutsele@vub.be
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FRIDAY 25 MAY 2018

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08.00 – 08:45

MEET THE EXPERTS



Paper writing

Szenario 1+2

Chair

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Grant application

Sopra 1-3

Chair

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MA, PhD – Psychologist

09:00 – 10:30

PLENARY II



10:15-10:30 Kursaal Arena

Early and Systematic Integration of Palliative Care Integration of Palliative Care in Multidisciplinary Oncology in Multidisciplinary Oncology Controlled Trial (PL3)

Gaëlle.Vanbutsele@vub.be
Junior Researcher, MSc - Clinical Psychologist

11:00 – 12:30

FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION: END-OF-LIFE CARE AND QUALITY OF DYING



11:00-11:15 Kursaal Arena *Public Health & Policy*

Differences in Primary Palliative Care between People with Organ Failure and People with Cancer: An International Mortality Follow-back Study Using Quality Indicators (FC37)

Yolanda.Penders@uzh.ch
Postdoctoral Researcher

14:30 – 16:00

THEMED SESSION: CHALLENGES IN THE DESIGN AND APPLICATION OF ECONOMIC EVALUATION IN PALLIATIVE CARE RESEARCH



15:10-15:30 Sopra Grande

Using Big Data for Health Economic Palliative Care Research (INV10)

Joachim.Cohen@vub.be
Prof. of Public Health and Palliative Care,
MSc, PhD – Sociologist

16:30 – 18:00

FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION: QUALITY OF CARE IN OLDER PEOPLE



16:30-16:45 Szenario 1+2 *Ageing & Palliative Care*

Large Differences Found in the Organisation of Palliative Care in European Nursing Homes: EU PACE Study Investigated Core Structural Quality Indicators in 305 Nursing Homes in Six EU Countries (FC79)

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Prof. of Aging and Palliative care, MA, PhD – Psychologist



17:15-17:30 Szenario 1+2 *Ageing & Palliative Care*

Quality of End-of-Life Care for Nursing Home Residents in Six European Countries: Findings of the PACE Study (FC82)

Lara.Pivodic@vub.be
Senior Researcher/ Postdoctoral Fellow, MSc, PhD



17:45-18:00 Szenario 1+2 *Ageing & Palliative Care*

Quality of Primary Palliative Care for the Old, Older, and Oldest-old: A Mortality Follow-back Study in Belgium (FC84)

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FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION: END-OF-LIFE CARE AND QUALITY OF DYING



16:30-18:00 Kursaal Arena *Cancer & Palliative Care*

Chair

Nele.VanDenNoortgate@uzgent.be
Partner Lead PACE, MD, PhD - Geriatrician

FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION: HEALTH POLICY



16:30-18:00 Sopra 1-3 *Public Health & Policy*

Chair

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Prof. of Palliative Care in People with Cancer
MSc, PhD – Psychologist

18:00 – 21:00

PACE SEMINAR: GLOBAL VIEWS ON PALLIATIVE CARE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

Location: Kursaal Arena

Global Views on Palliative Care for Older People: priorities in research and clinical practice

Programme:

- International Experts in palliative care for older people
- Invited speakers & PACE Researchers
- Presentations of the EU FP7 PACE project (2014-2019)
- PACE poster presentations



Registration fee €20 (25CHF).

For more information, contact Yuliana.Gatsolaeva@vub.be

SATURDAY 26 MAY 2018

END-OF-LIFE CARE RESEARCH GROUP AT EAPC 2018

09.00 – 10:30

METHOD DISCUSSION SESSION: QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS



Sopra 1-3

Chair

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Prof. of Palliative Care Research
MSc, MA, PhD – Sociologist

FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION: HEALTH ECONOMICS



10:15-10:30 Sopra Grande *Public Health & Policy*

Medical Care Cost of Dying: A Retrospective Population Level Economic Analysis of Different Dying Trajectories (FC108)

Kristof.Faes@ugent.be

Junior Researcher, MSc, Medico-Social Sciences

FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION: SYMPTOM ASSESSMENT



11:15-11:30 Kursaal Arena *Cancer & Palliative Care*

Evolution of Quality of Life, Functioning and Symptom Burden throughout the Disease Course in Advanced Cancer: Results from the Longitudinal European Palliative Care Cancer Symptom (EPCCS) Study (FC110)

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Junior Researcher, MSc - Medical Psychologist

13.30 – 15:00

PLENARY III



Kursaal Arena

Chair

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Prof. of Palliative Care Research

MSc, MA, PhD – Sociologist

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

AT THE EXHIBITION HALL



Opinions on Palliative Care of Nursing Home Staff in 6 European Countries: Cross-sectional Study (the EU FP7 PACE Project)

Nursing home, poster 19

Tinne.Smets@vub.be

Senior Researcher, MSc, PhD - Communication Scientist



An Advance Care Planning Intervention for Nursing Home Staff in Flanders: A Feasibility Study

Nursing home, poster 20

Annelien.van.Dael@vub.be

Junior Researcher MSc – Psychologist



Development of a Complex Intervention for the Early Integration of Palliative Home Care in Oncology Care: A Phase 0-1 Study Following the Steps of the MRC Framework

Transmural, poster 72

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Junior Researcher, MSc - Clinical Psychologist

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Barriers and Facilitators on Early Integration of Home-based Palliative Care for People with Severe COPD: A Focus Group Study with General Practitioners and Community Nurses in the Context of a Phase 0-2 Trial

Organ failure, poster 113

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Resource Use during the Last 6 Months of Life among COPD Patients: A Population Level Study

Organ failure, poster 120

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Attitudes of Neonatologists and Neonatal Nurses on Neonatal EndofLife Decisions, a Population Survey

Children and adolescents, poster 135

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Volunteer Involvement in the Organisation of Palliative Care: Results from a Nation-wide Survey of Healthcare Organisations

Volunteers in palliative care, poster 155

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Information Needs about Palliative Care and Euthanasia: A Survey of Patients in Different Phases of their Cancer Trajectory

Communication and information, poster 247

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Senior Researcher, MSc, PhD - Experimental Psychologist



Information Provision as Evaluated by Cancer Patients and Bereaved Relatives: A Cross-sectional Survey in 34 Palliative Care Services

Communication and information, poster 255

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Influence of Palliative Home Care Use on the Appropriateness of End of Life Care: A Case-control Study Using Propensity Score Matching

End of life care, quality of dying, poster 276

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Appropriateness of End-of-Life Care in People Dying from COPD Applying Quality Indicators on Linked Administrative Databases

Public health, poster 352

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Public Health Research in Palliative Care: Shifting the Paradigm

International Seminar of EAPC RN and the EAPC Reference Group on Public Health and Palliative Care

- *Date: 25 & 26 October 2018*
- *Location: Palace of the Royal Academies, Hertogsstraat 1, 1000 Brussels, Belgium*



Abstract submission is open until 15 August 2018

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ICEL3 2019

Third International Conference on End of Life Law, Ethics, Policy, and Practice

- *Date: 7-9 March, 2019*
- *Location: Ghent University-Het Pand, Onderbergen 1, 9000 Ghent, Belgium*

Abstract submission is open until 1 September 2018

WWW.ICEL3.ORG

ACPEL 2019

International Society of Advance Care Planning and End of Life Care Conference

- *Date: 13 & 14 March 2019*
- *Location: Rotterdam, The Netherlands*

More information will follow soon

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International Seminar of EAPC RN and
the EAPC Reference Group on Public Health and Palliative Care
Public Health research in Palliative Care

Thu 25 - Fri 26 October 2018



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or

- **Visit our exhibition stand at the NPO Village near the entrance to Arena and **SUBSCRIBE** to our publications mailing list**

The **5 winners** will be randomly selected and be exempted from the registration fee (€250). They will be contacted via e-mail or Direct Message on Twitter after the EAPC Congress.

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