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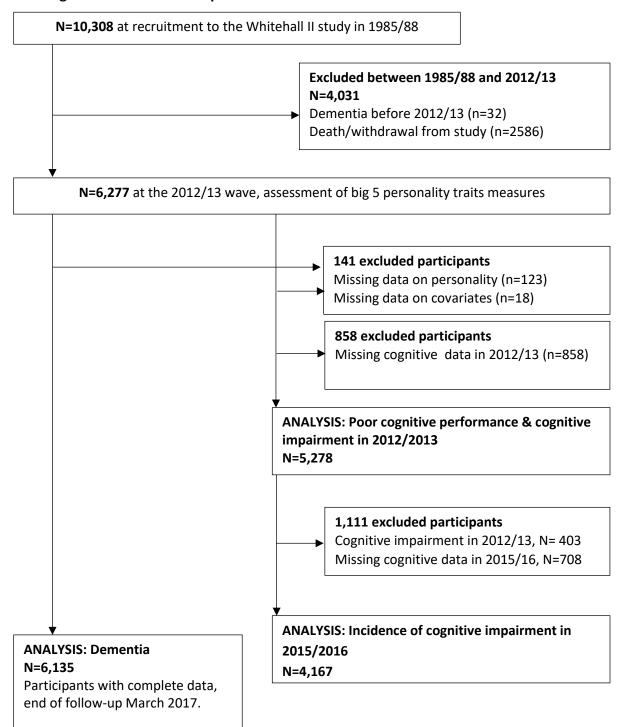
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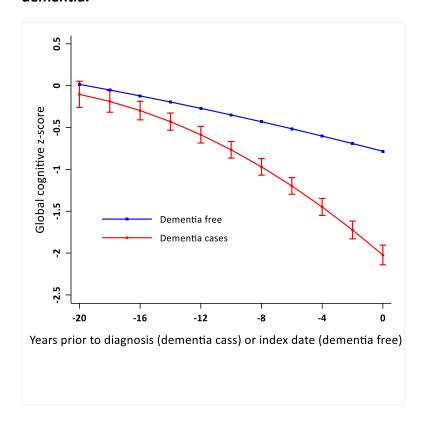
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eTable 1. Correlation coefficient of the personality traits and CESD depression score.

	Openness	Conscientiousness	Extraversion	Agreeableness	Neuroticism
Openness	1.00				
Conscientiousness	0.36	1.00			
р	< 0.00001	1.00			
Extraversion	0.54	0.37	1.00		
р	< 0.00001	< 0.00001	1.00		
Agreeableness	0.39	0.33	0.56	1 0000	
р	< 0.00001	< 0.00001	<0.00001	1.0000	
Neuroticism	-0.20	-0.27	-0.25	-0.13	1 0000
р	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.0001	1.0000
CESD	-0.23	-0.32	-0.33	-0.13	0.52
р	< 0.00001	< 0.00001	< 0.00001	<0.00001	< 0.00001

eTable 2: Association between personality traits and lower occupational position, depression history, CESD score (N=5278).*

	Low SES		Depression his	story	High CESD score		
	OR (95% CI)	Р	OR (95% CI)	Р	OR (95% CI)	Р	
Openness	0.82 (0.74, 0.91)	<0.001	0.93 (0.85, 1.02)	0.11	0.60 (0.55, 0.66)	<0.001	
Conscientiousness	0.83 (0.75, 0.92)	<0.001	0.74 (0.68, 0.81)	<0.001	0.52 (0.48, 0.57)	<0.001	
Extraversion	0.95 (0.85, 1.05)	0.31	0.80 (0.73, 0.87)	<0.001	0.44 (0.40, 0.49)	<0.001	
Agreeableness	1.02 (0.91, 1.14)	0.73	1.07 (0.98, 1.18)	0.13	0.68 (0.62, 0.74)	<0.001	
Neuroticism	1.09 (0.98, 1.22)	0.10	2.03 (1.86, 2.22)	<0.001	3.67 (3.30, 4.08)	<0.001	

Abbreviations: OR: Odds Ratio, SES: socio-economic status, CES-D: Center for Epidemiologic Studies-Depression scale

^{*}Analysis adjusted for age, sex, ethnicity, marital status, education

High CESD score defined as ≥16.

eTable 3. Standardized differences in personality traits as a function of Cognitive Impairment.*

	Model 1		Model 2: Model 1 + SES		Model 3: Model 2 + depression		Model 4: Model 1 + all covariates	
	beta	Р	beta	Р	beta	Р	beta	Р
Cross-sectional analy	ysis (N cases/N total:	403/5278)						
Openness	-0.14 (-0.24,-0.04)	0.007	-0.10 (-0.20,-0.00)	0.05	-0.04 (-0.14,0.06)	0.40	-0.02 (-0.12, 0.08)	0.65
Conscientiousness	-0.19 (-0.29,-0.09)	<0.001	-0.14 (-0.24,-0.04)	0.008	-0.04 (-0.14,0.05)	0.38	-0.02 (-0.12, 0.07)	0.65
Extraversion	-0.14 (-0.24,-0.04)	0.007	-0.11 (-0.21,-0.01)	0.03	-0.02 (-0.11,0.08)	0.68	0.003 (-0.09, 0.10)	0.95
Agreeableness	-0.06 (-0.16,0.04)	0.21	-0.07 (-0.18,0.03)	0.14	-0.03 (-0.13,0.07)	0.56	-0.03 (-0.13, 0.07)	0.54
Neuroticism	0.16 (0.05,0.26)	0.003	0.13 (0.03,0.24)	0.009	-0.02 (-0.11,0.06)	0.61	-0.01 (-0.09, 0.08)	0.84
Longitudinal analyse	es/Incident cases (N ca	ses/N total:	291/4167)					
Openness	0.01 (-0.10,0.12)	0.87	0.04 (-0.08,0.15)	0.52	0.07 (-0.04,0.18)	0.23	0.08 (-0.03, 0.19)	0.16
Conscientiousness	-0.10 (-0.22,0.01)	0.08	-0.06 (-0.18,0.05)	0.26	-0.01 (-0.12,0.09)	0.80	-0.01 (-0.12, 0.10)	0.83
Extraversion	-0.04 (-0.15,0.07)	0.49	-0.02 (-0.13,0.09)	0.73	0.03 (-0.08,0.14)	0.58	0.04 (-0.07, 0.15)	0.44
Agreeableness	0.01 (-0.11,0.12)	0.91	-0.00 (-0.12,0.12)	0.99	0.02 (-0.09,0.14)	0.67	0.02 (-0.10, 0.13)	0.76
Neuroticism	0.13 (0.01,0.24)	0.03	0.11 (-0.00,0.23)	0.05	0.02 (-0.07,0.12)	0.62	0.03 (-0.06, 0.13)	0.50

^{*}Reference group composed of those without cognitive impairment.

Abbreviations: SES: socio-economic status.

Model 1: adjusted for age, sex, ethnicity, marital status, education; Model 2: Model 1 + SES using occupation position; Model 3: Model 2 + depression history, CES-D score Model 4: Model 3 + health behaviours (physical activity, smoking status, fruits and vegetable consumption, alcohol consumption), and chronic conditions (coronary heart disease, stroke, diabetes, cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, Parkinson's disease, and arthritis).

eTable 4. Standardized differences in personality traits as a function of dementia.*

	Model 1		Model 2: Model 1 + SES		Model 3: Model 2 + depression		Model 4: Model 1 + all covariates	
	beta	Р	beta	Р	beta	Р	beta	Р
N cases/N total= 23	1/6135							
Openness	-0.07 (-0.20, 0.07)	0.34	-0.06 (-0.19, 0.08)	0.40	0.03 (-0.10, 0.16)	0.68	0.04 (-0.09, 0.17)	0.57
Conscientiousness	-0.41 (-0.54, -0.28)	<0.001	-0.40 (-0.53, -0.27)	<0.001	-0.26 (-0.39, -0.14)	<0.001	-0.25 (-0.37, -0.12)	<0.001
Extraversion	-0.16 (-0.29, -0.03)	0.02	-0.15 (-0.29, -0.02)	0.02	-0.01 (-0.14, 0.11)	0.83	0.00 (-0.12, 0.12)	0.98
Agreeableness	0.06 (-0.06, 0.19)	0.30	0.06 (-0.07, 0.19)	0.33	0.13 (-0.00, 0.25)	0.05	0.13 (-0.00, 0.25)	0.05
Neuroticism	0.30 (0.17, 0.44)	<0.001	0.30 (0.17, 0.43)	<0.001	0.06 (-0.05, 0.17)	0.29	0.07 (-0.04, 0.18)	0.22

^{*}Reference group composed of those without dementia diagnosis.

Abbreviations: SES: socio-economic status.

Model 1: adjusted for age, sex, ethnicity, marital status, education; Model 2: Model 1 + SES using occupation position; Model 3: Model 2 + depression history, CES-D score Model 4: Model 3 + health behaviours (physical activity, smoking status, fruits and vegetable consumption, alcohol consumption), and chronic conditions (coronary heart disease, stroke, diabetes, cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, Parkinson's disease, and arthritis).

eTable 5. Association of personality traits with cognitive impairment and dementia, adjusted for all covariates except CESD depression.*

	Cognitive Impairment Cross-sectional		Cognitive Impai Longitudin		Dementia		
	OR (95% CI)	Р	OR (95% CI)	Р	HR (95% CI)	Р	
Openness	0.94 (0.84, 1.04)	0.22	1.07 (0.94, 1.22)	0.30	0.97 (0.86, 1.11)	0.69	
Conscientiousness	0.92 (0.83, 1.02)	0.12	0.95 (0.84, 1.08)	0.44	0.77 (0.69, 0.87)	< 0.001	
Extraversion	0.93 (0.83, 1.03)	0.17	1.00 (0.88, 1.14)	0.99	0.90 (0.79, 1.03)	0.13	
Agreeableness	0.93 (0.84, 1.04)	0.19	1.00 (0.88, 1.13)	0.99	1.09 (0.95, 1.25)	0.22	
Neuroticism	1.11 (0.99, 1.23)	0.06	1.12 (0.98, 1.27)	0.09	1.25 (1.10, 1.41)	0.001	

Abbreviations: OR: Odds Ratio, HR: Hazard Ratio, SD: Standard Deviation

^{*}Analysis adjusted for age, sex, ethnicity, marital status, education, occupation position, depression history, health behaviours (physical activity, smoking status, fruits and vegetable consumption, alcohol consumption), and chronic conditions (coronary heart disease, stroke, diabetes, cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, Parkinson's disease, and arthritis).

eTable 6. Mutually adjusted association of standardized personality traits, history of depression, and standardized CES-D score with incidence of dementia (N=6135).*

	Personality trait		Depression his	story	Standardized CES-D score		
	HR (95% CI)	Р	HR (95% CI)	Р	HR (95% CI)	Р	
Openness	1.03 (0.91, 1.18)	0.63	1.48 (1.04, 2.10)	0.03	1.31 (1.17, 1.46)	<0.001	
Conscientiousness	0.83 (0.73, 0.93)	0.002	1.45 (1.02, 2.06)	0.04	1.23 (1.10, 1.38)	<0.001	
Extraversion	1.00 (0.87, 1.15)	0.98	1.49 (1.05, 2.11)	0.03	1.30 (1.16, 1.46)	<0.001	
Agreeableness	1.13 (0.99, 1.30)	0.07	1.45 (0.99, 1.30)	0.07	1.32 (1.18, 1.46)	<0.001	
Neuroticism	1.10 (0.94, 1.27)	0.24	1.44 (1.01, 2.05)	0.04	1.24 (1.09, 1.42)	<0.001	

^{*}Each personality trait analysed separately

Analysis adjusted for age, sex, ethnicity, marital status, education, SES using occupation position, health behaviours (physical activity, smoking status, fruits and vegetable consumption, alcohol consumption), and chronic conditions (coronary heart disease, stroke, diabetes, cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, Parkinson's disease, and arthritis).