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## **About Race Against Dementia:**

Race Against Dementia (RAD) is a global charity founded by Sir Jackie Stewart OBE after his wife, Helen, was diagnosed with frontotemporal dementia. Inspired by his years in Formula 1, RAD brings the speed, precision and innovation of elite motorsport to the fight against dementia.

#### **Mission:**

To accelerate the search for preventions, diagnoses and cures for dementia by funding and mentoring the most promising early-career scientists worldwide.

#### What is Dementia?

Dementia is a group of symptoms affecting memory, thinking and everyday tasks, caused by conditions like Alzheimer's disease, frontotemporal dementia and Lewy body dementia. There are over 200 types, and symptoms worsen over time.

It affects 55 million people worldwide. By 2040, it is on track to cost the UK £90 billion annually. Without new treatments, one in three people born today will die with dementia.

### **How Race Against Dementia Work:**

### • Funding Bold Research:

Race Against Dementia backs researchers from the UK, Australia, South Africa, Europe and the USA, with flexible funding through Fellowships, our Ignition Fund and teams-based discovery projects.

### • Formula 1 Mindset:

Race Against Dementia's researchers receive unique training inspired by Formula 1 – focusing on speed, innovation and collaboration. They learn from industry leaders, including data scientists from McLaren Racing and strategists from Ferrari.

### • Rethinking Research:

Race Against Dementia challenges traditional research models by encouraging cross-disciplinary collaboration, adopting new technologies like AI, and forging partnerships across academia, industry and motorsport.

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# Impact (So Far):

21 RAD Fellows funded

£11 million+ invested

129,000+ research hours funded

212 research papers published

### The Difference:

Traditional research can be slow and risk averse. Race Against Dementia fast-tracks discoveries by applying a Formula 1 approach: making bold decisions, learning from failure quickly and maintaining momentum.

#### Join the Race:

Dementia is now the leading cause of death in England and Wales, yet five times fewer researchers work in dementia than in cancer. We're looking for scientists, partners, funders and innovators to help us close this gap.