Exploring acoustical environmental factors influencing BPSD: a participatory observation study



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Qualitative design

15 Participants

- 5 Nursing Homes
- 3 Participants/NH

Participatory observation

- 7 a.m. 3 p.m.
- 3 p.m. 11 p.m.
- 11 p.m. 7 a.m.

BPSD Affective Symptoms (Dysphoria and 11/15 Anxiety) **Psychosis** (Delusions and 8/15 Hallucinations) **Hyperactivity** (Irritability and 15/15 Aggression) **Euphoria** 2/15 © Cristian_Newman







Discussion

- Seasonal factors
- One observer
- Hearing loss
- The environment



Conclusion

- Prevent and/or trigger BPSD
- Indivual (personality / dementia)
- Interaction between personal and acoustical environmental factors
- Can be influenced by
 - caregivers
 - physical acoustical environment



