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Optimizing Care for Patients with Neurodegenerative Diseases

Socially Embedded and Patient-Centered Long-Term Care

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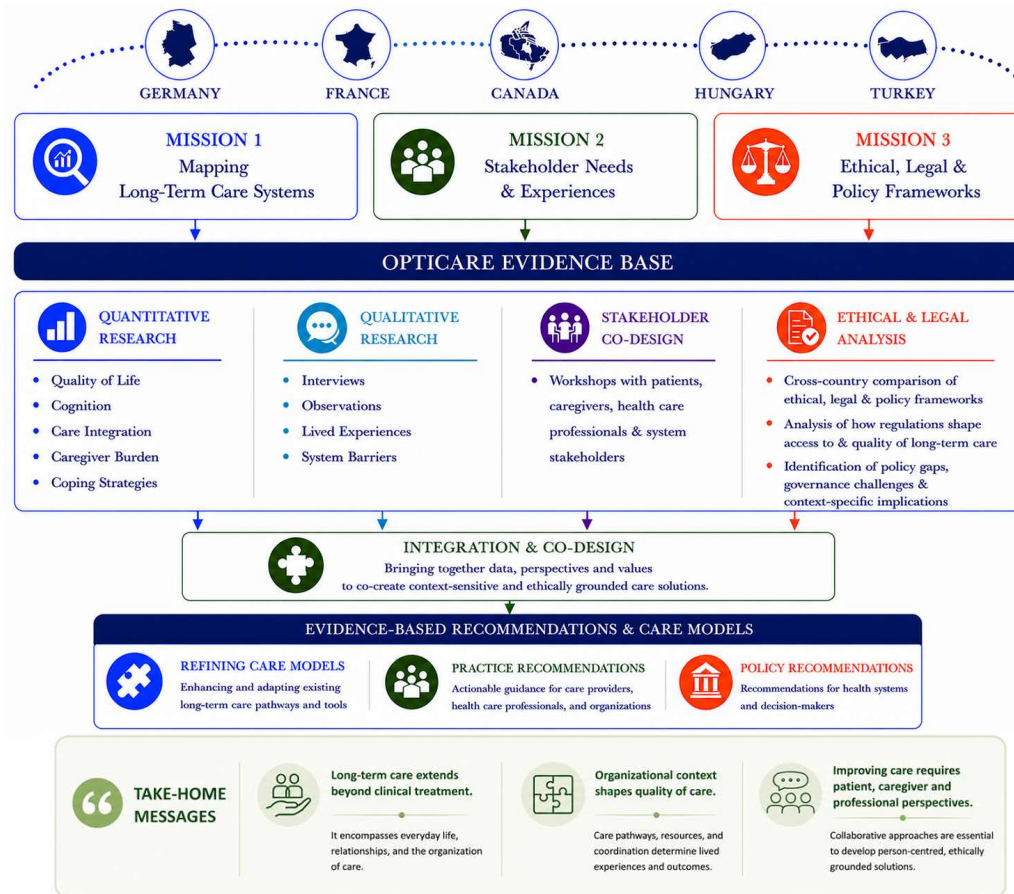
Background:

- Rising global prevalence of advanced AD and PD
- Increasing need for institutional long-term care (LTC)
- Varying settings across different countries
- Complex clinical, psychosocial, and care coordination challenges

No comparative evidence on patient-centered, integrated, and ethically sound long-term care across countries

Study Aim:

How can institutional long-term care for people with advanced neurodegenerative diseases be improved across different national care systems?



What we do:

- (1) Map long-term care structures and care trajectories
- (2) Examine experiences, needs, and outcomes of patients, caregivers, and healthcare professionals
- (3) Develop context-sensitive recommendations for ethically grounded care improvement

What we expect:

- (1) Comparison of LTC pathways across countries
- (2) Assessment of QoL, caregiver burden, and care integration
- (3) Exploration of coordination and decision-making in everyday care
- (4) Examination of ethical, legal, and policy influences

