

# **Alzheimer's Association's Science Opportunities to Foster Diversity, Equity & Inclusion**

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# The Largest Nonprofit Funder of Alzheimer's & All Dementia Research in the World



**\$320M**

currently  
active



**1000+** projects



**54**

countries

# ALZ Early Career and New to Field Research Grants

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PROGRAMS OFFERED 2X  
ANNUALLY

Clinician Scientist  
Fellowship  
(AACSF)

Clinician Scientist  
Fellowship  
to Promote Diversity  
(AACSF-D)

Research Grant  
(AARG)

Research Grant  
to Promote Diversity  
(AARF-D)

Research Fellowship  
(AARF)

Research Fellowship  
to Promote Diversity  
(AARF-D)

Research Grant  
New to the Field  
(AARG-NTF)

Research Grant  
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to Promote Diversity  
(AARG-D-NTF)

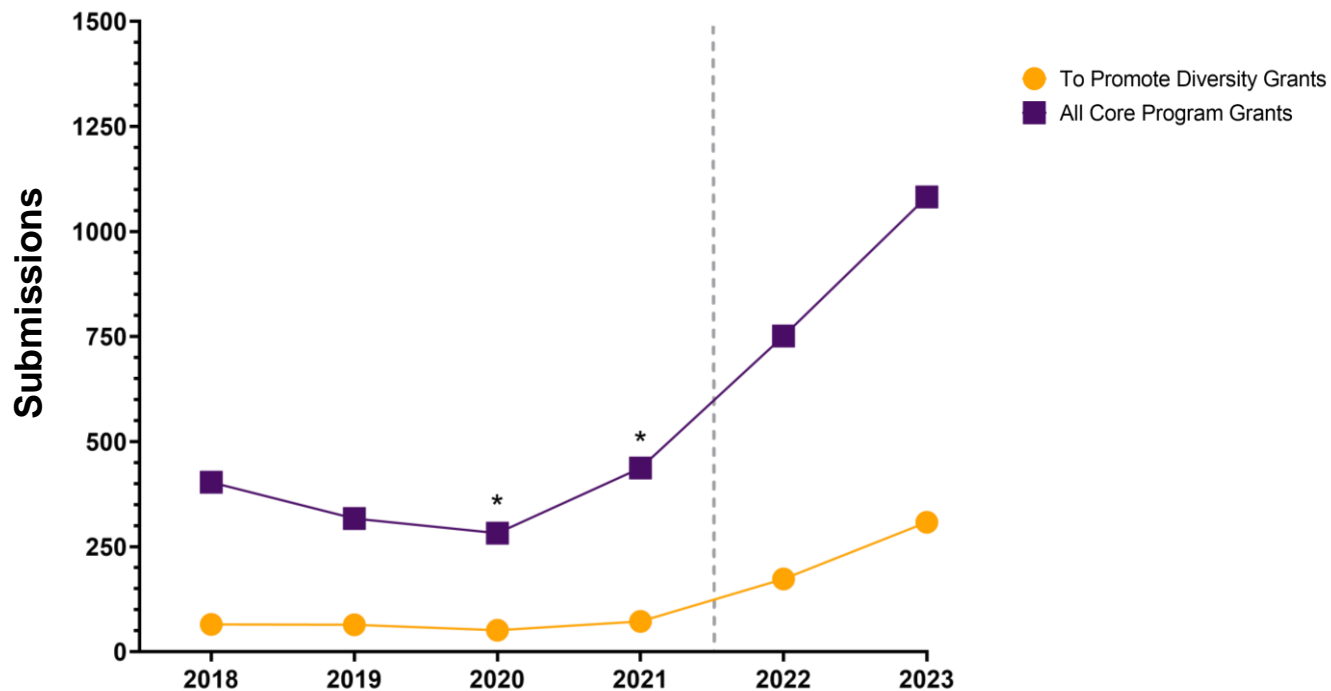
# To Promote Diversity Programs eligibility criteria

**Specific for the AARG-D-NTF program**, eligible applicants have the same requirements as the AARG program, but are an underrepresented faculty in biomedical and behavioral research on a national, international or institutional basis.

Applicants must submit a **Diversity Self Statement (1 paragraph max)** during the letter of intent stage outlining the applicant's status and eligibility for this program. Additional details regarding what may be defined as underrepresented include:

- Applicants from the United States will be subject to the definitions as stated by the National Institutes of Health: NIH-designated U.S health disparity populations include Blacks/ African Americans, Hispanics/ Latinos, American Indians/ Alaska Natives, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders, socioeconomically disadvantaged populations, underserved rural populations, persons with disabilities (defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as a person with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities), minoritized sexual and gender populations, and Individuals from [economically developing nations of Africa, Asia and Latin America and the Caribbean.](#)
- Applicants born in any of the economically developing nations of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean are eligible granted that all other criteria regarding career stage are met. The Alzheimer's Association will not require proof of American citizenship or a Permanent Resident Status.
- Applicants employed by a university that is located in an economically developing nation of Africa, Asia and Latin America, are eligible granted that all other criteria regarding career stage are met.

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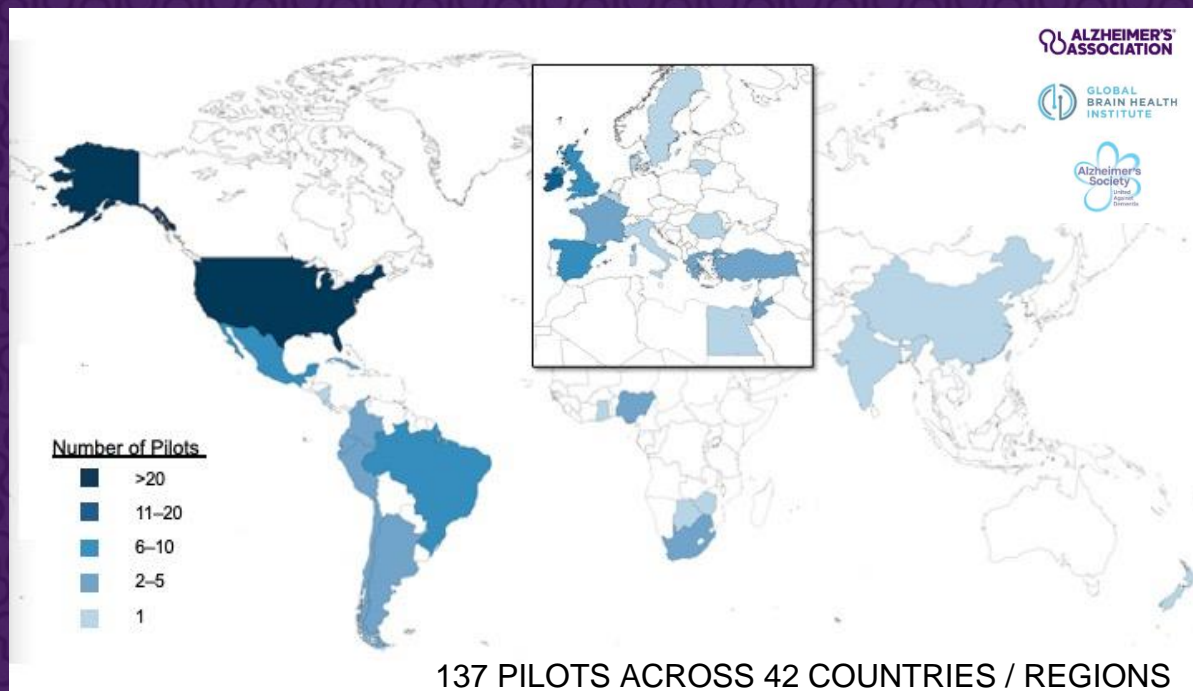




# Pilot Awards for Global Brain Health Leaders

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Leaders prioritize activities that demonstrate the potential to lead to larger projects in the awardees' home regions with an emphasis on lower and middle-income communities.



# Webinars

## ISTAART Guide to Grants

Hear from the Alzheimer's Association and the team leading the International Research Grant Program about how successful grants are evaluated, and tips for a smooth and successful applications process from current and past awardees of the Association's grant programs. A new 5-part webinar series will break down the critical components of a Fellowship application - Letter of Intent, Letter of Intent, Mentorship Statement, Applicant Statement, Work Plan and Budget. The Alzheimer's Association funds more than \$250 million more than 750 projects in 39 countries, spanning 6 continents.

### Letter of Intent

Recorded: January 31, 2022  
Panelists: Cynthia Lemere, Christian Salazar, Yuyu Song  
Presentation Slides

### Mentor Statement

Recorded: February 1, 2022  
Panelists: Neel Fajgi, Bruce Lamb  
Presentation Slides

### Applicant Statement

Recorded: February 2, 2022  
Panelists: Joe Abisambra, DeAnnah Byrd, Michael Lourenco  
Presentation Slides

### Workplan

Recorded: February 3, 2022  
Panelists: Yakeel Quroz, Charles Windon  
Presentation Slides

### Budget

Recorded: February 4, 2022  
Panelists: Catherine Kaczorowski, Eduardo Zimmer  
Presentation Slides

## Writing the BEST Fellowship Application

dementiaresearcher.nih.ac.uk

Hosted by Dr Stefania Forner

Guests  
Dr DeAnnah Byrd  
Dr Joe Abisambra  
Dr Eduardo Zimmer



## Mecanismos de financiamento globais pela Alzheimer's Association

Recorded: July 6, 2022

Aprenda sobre os mecanismos de financiamento da Alzheimer's Association dos Estados Unidos para pesquisadores de outros países. Uma conversa com dicas sobre como escrever um projeto internacional financiado pela Alzheimer's Association com pesquisadores brasileiros.

Participação da Dra. Carolina Marinho (UFMG) e do Dr. Eduardo Zimmer (UFRGS).

Moderadores: Fernando Aguzzoli-Peres e Stefania Forner

## Alzheimer's Association - Oportunidades de financiación

Recorded: January 19, 2023

El primer webinar en español sobre los Programas de Financiamiento del Programa Internacional de Subvenciones de Investigación. Nos centraremos en aspectos de la solicitud de los programas (AACSF/AARF/AARG/AARG-NTF). Escucharemos consejos e ideas de los miembros de IRGP y MSAG de la Alzheimer's Association y de beneficiarios actuales y pasados de nuestros programas.

[Presentation Slides](#)



(up from 4529 members in 74 countries the previous year)

**16%** of our members are based in **low- and middle-income countries.**

(up from 6% the previous year)

**37%** (2926) of our members are **students.**

(up from 20% / 850 student members the previous year)



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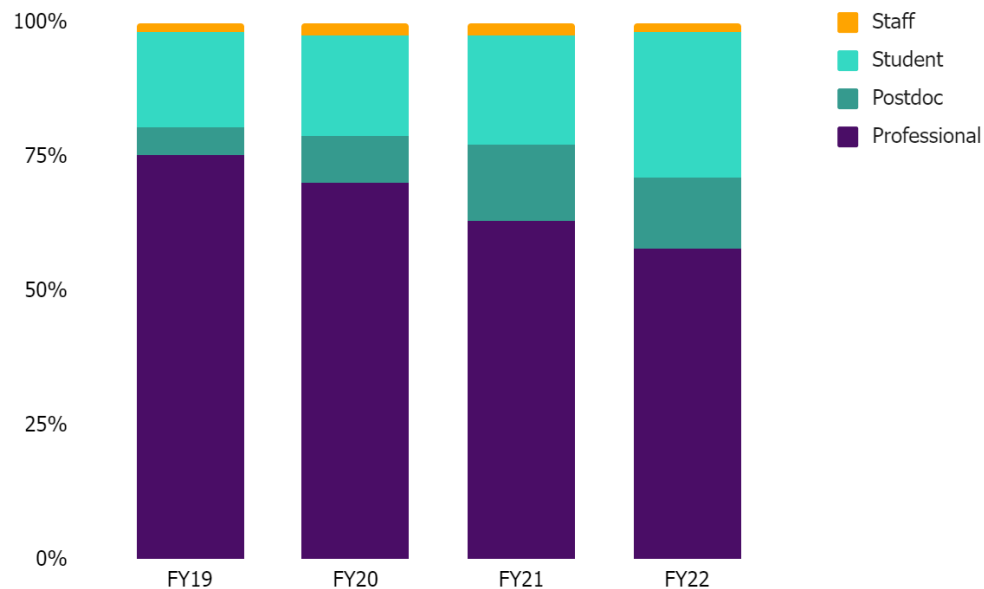
ISTAART has three membership tiers

>> **Student Membership: Free**

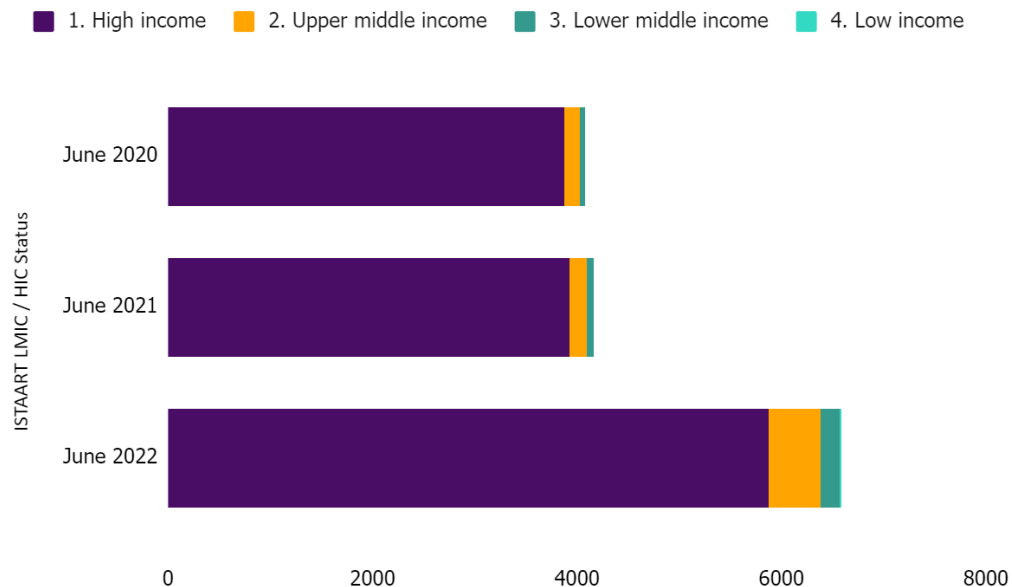
>> **Postdoctoral Membership: \$65\***

>> **Professional Membership: \$125\***

**\*Student, postdoctoral and professional memberships are all FREE for individuals based in low- and middle-income countries.**



Change in **member type** by year.



Change in **country income status** by year.

# ISTAART Ambassador Program

The ISTAART Ambassador Program provides students and early postdocs with a **year-round program of volunteering** and networking opportunities.

Ambassadors gain valuable experience **volunteering** at AAIC and other in-person or virtual scientific meetings, and also build **awareness** of ISTAART's activities within their regions.



## Ambassador Program is open to...

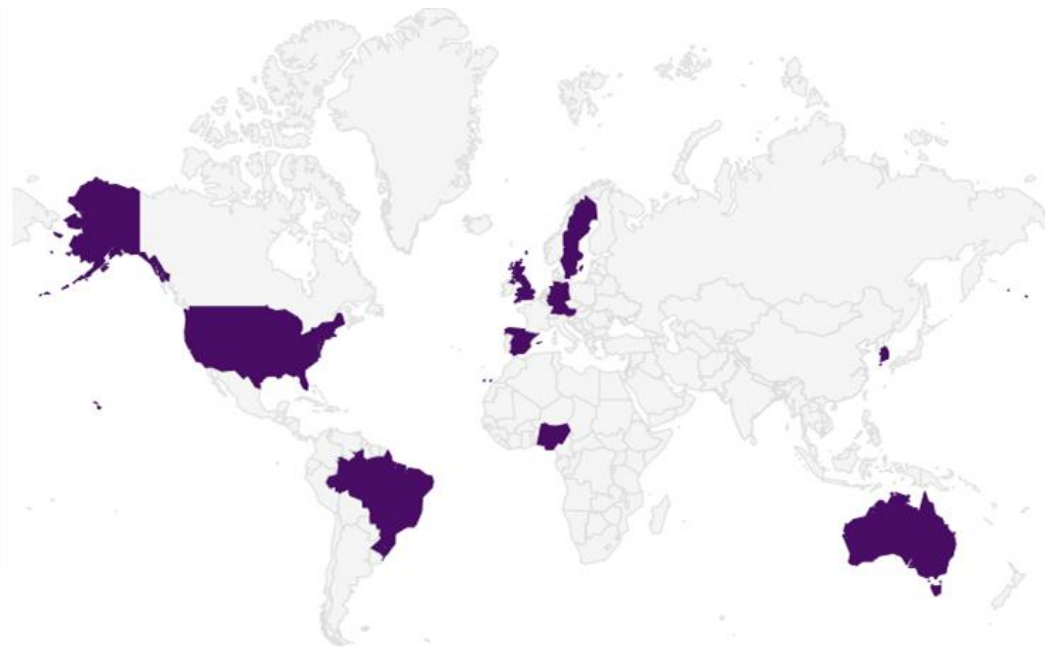
Students, both undergraduate and graduate, and early postdocs (within 2 years of obtaining PhD) world-wide

## Applications open annually in February

Visit [alz.org/ISTAART](http://alz.org/ISTAART) for more information on the program







**26 ISTAART Ambassadors**  
based across **10 countries.**

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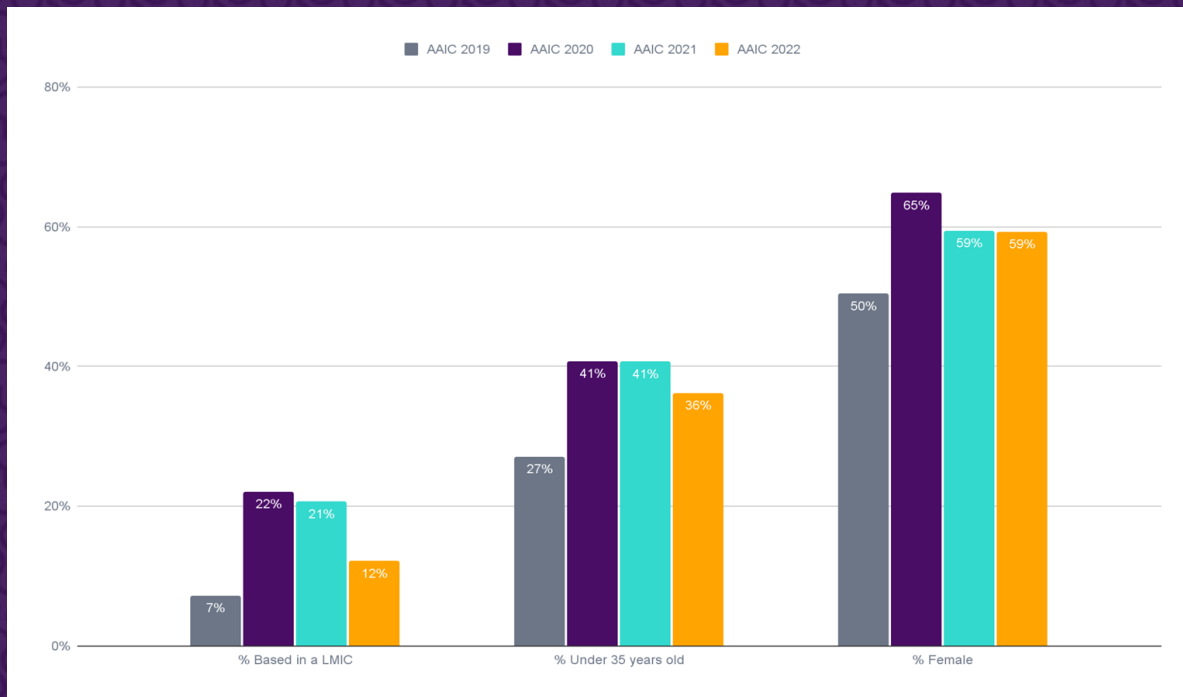
OVER 5,400 PEOPLE IN PERSON AND 4,700 VIRTUALLY FOR THE  
WORLD'S LARGEST HYBRID DISCUSSION ON DEMENTIA SCIENCE

# AAIC 2022: 99 Countries

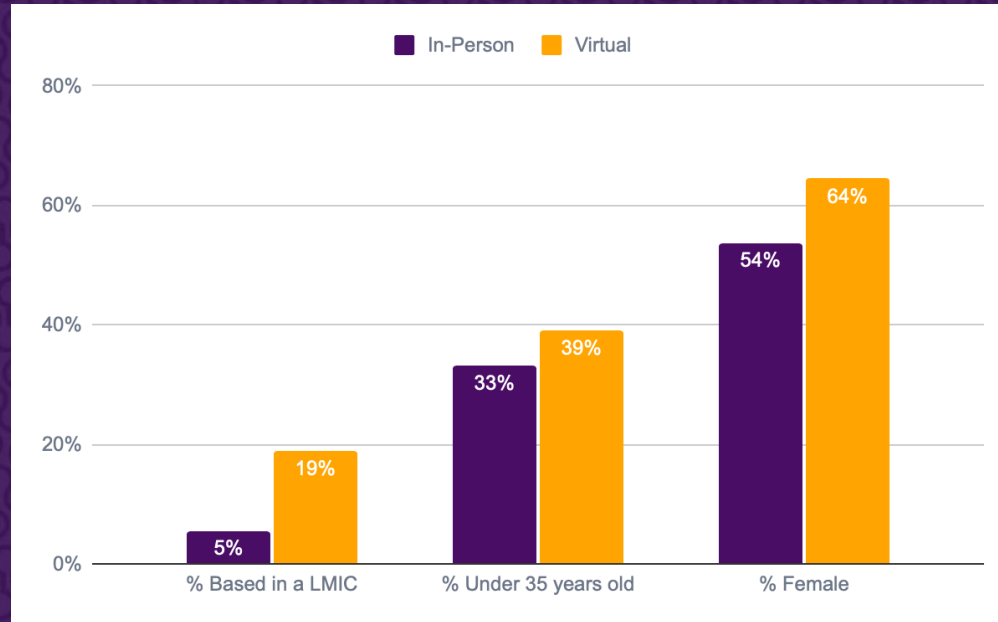




# Demographics



# AAIC 2022: In-Person v Virtual





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