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Aims and Approaches of EU-funded Research and Development on “The Ageing Population”

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“The Ageing Population” in European Research

- **EU financial support 5th FP: 1998 – 2002 (and continuing to 2006 and beyond)**
 - **Over 120 projects (research projects and coordination actions)**
 - **190 Million Euros of Community funds**
 - **Universities, enterprises, public sector, professional organisations, Non-Governmental Organisations (users and providers)**
 - **Aiming to improve the Quality of Life of European Citizens**



Problem-solving Research under the 5th Framework Programme

- **A problem-centred approach: looking for solutions...**
- **Addressing a wide range of age-related conditions, including diseases and disabilities**
- **Seeking knowledge for improved...**
 - **Understanding of the ageing process**
 - **Treatment and therapy**
 - **Medication**
 - **Rehabilitation**
 - **Technical aids**
 - **Care**
 - **Societal responses**



What Kind of Projects?

➤ Research & Demonstration Projects

Basic Research

Applied Research



- Thematic Networks and Concerted Actions
- Accompanying Measures (Forum of ageing research managers, conferences etc.)
- Fellowships
- Small and Medium-sized Enterprises actions



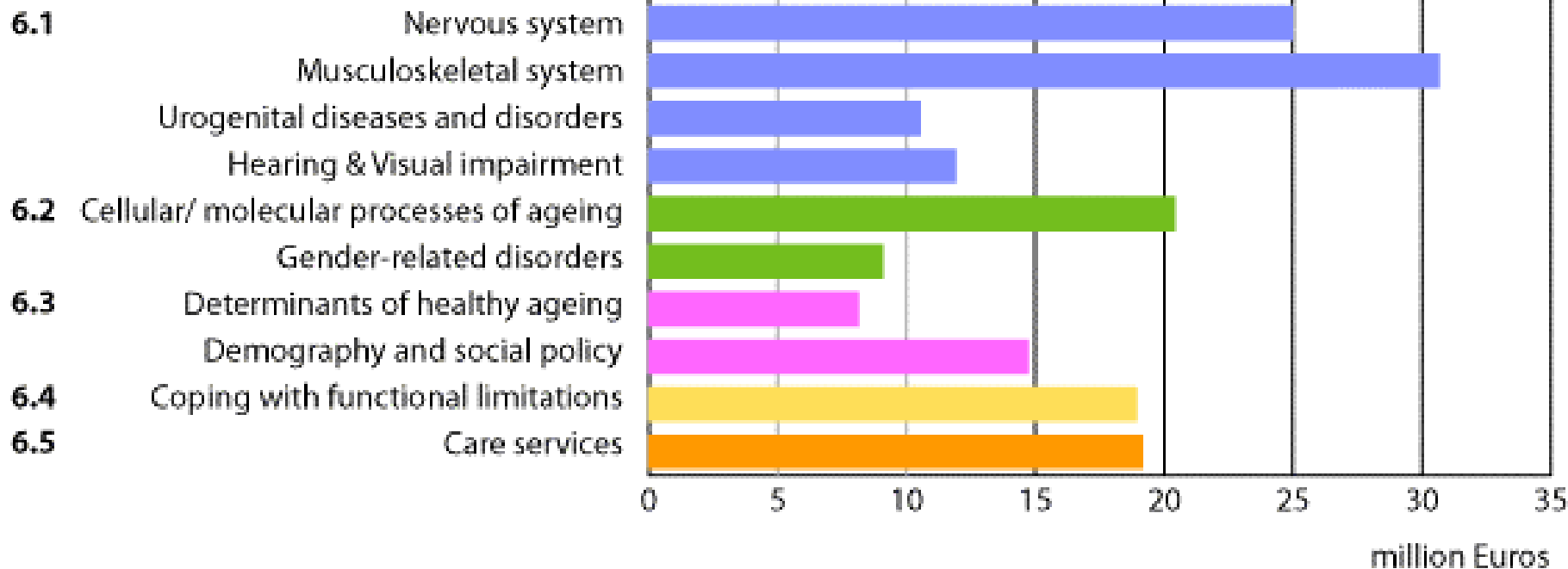
Action Lines of Key Action 6 on The Ageing Population

- 6.1 Age related illnesses and health problems**
- 6.2 Determinants of healthy ageing / basic processes of physiological ageing**
- 6.3 Demography and policy**
- 6.4 Coping with functional limitations**
- 6.5 Health and social care**



EU Funding by Action Line

Action Line No.



Total EU funding = 190.1 MEURO*

*all activities included



Research Workshops

- **Non Governmental Organisations' (NGO) Workshop**
- **United States – European Union Workshop on Ageing Research**
- **Recovery from Stroke**
- **Male Osteoporosis**
- **[Older People's Mobility and Living at Home](#)**
- **Research on Active Ageing and Life-style**
- **Improving Postural Stability and Preventing Falls**
- **End-of-Life Care**
- **Gender as a Determinant of Health**



Delivering Results

- **Improved knowledge-bases for the pharmaceutical industry and for clinical practice**
- **Systems and services for better care management and the practice of caring by both professionals and families**
- **Health and care products directly enhancing the life quality of older people**
- **Societal capacity to adapt to demographic ageing with appropriate analysis and solutions**



Expected Outcomes of projects

- **Increased knowledge about age-related diseases and disabling conditions**
- **Medical, clinical, demographic studies**
- **New technologies,**
- **Recommendations for better care-management**
- **Societal trends and appropriate responses**



Further Information

- **EC FP5 - Quality of Life Programme**

Key Action 6 The Ageing Population:

- *KA6 Project Synopses (Download)*
- *Mid-Term Assessment Report (2003) of Key Action 6 (Download)*

<http://www.cordis.lu/life/>

- **EC FP6 - Life Sciences Programme**

<http://www.cordis.lu/fp6/lifescihealth.htm>

- **European Research Area**

http://europa.eu.int/comm/research/era/index_en.html



Information

- **General information on research:**
<http://europa.eu.int/comm/research>
- **General information on the new Framework Programme (FP7, 2006-2010):**
http://europa.eu.int/comm/research/future/index_en.html
- **Information on research programmes and projects as well as FP call documents:**
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