

**Exempt Determination
Initial Review**

PI: Silvia De Marchi
IRB ID: 2026-0044-Lehman
Title: Investigating Changes in Numerical and Mathematical Processing in
individuals with CBD and lvPPA
Renewal: Annual Check-In form
Funding: CUNY Graduate Center Dissertation Fellowship
Funding ID: 92896-00 13:Language treatment in aphasia
Exempt category(ies): 45CFR46.104(2)

02/02/2026

Dear Silvia De Marchi:

On 02/02/2026, it was determined that your research protocol meets the criteria for an exempt determination according to CUNY HRPP requirements. You may begin this research.

Please remember:

- You must review and comply with CUNY Human Research Protection Program [policies and procedures](#)
- You must conduct the study according to the most recent versions of the protocol and documents in the electronic HRPP submission system
- If you wish to make any changes to your study, you must submit an amendment and only make the changes after you have received a new approval or exempt determination
- You must ensure that all study team members maintain current CITI training (see [Ensuring CITI Training is Up to Date](#))
- You must submit an Event Report to notify the IRB of any protocol deviations, unresolved subject complaints, unanticipated problems, privacy or data security incidents, and other potential non-compliance
- You must renew the exemption determination on a yearly basis, by submitting an Annual Check-In Form, or the study will be administratively closed
- You must submit a Final Report to close the study when all human subject research activities have ended (no additional interventions or interactions with subjects and no analysis of identifiable information)
- If you end your affiliation with CUNY, you must either submit a Final Report to close the study or submit an amendment to name another Principal Investigator to continue the project

Documents / Materials:

- Advertisement - website.docx (Advertisement - Website text/Screen shots/URLs)
- AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF HEALTH INFORMATION PURSUANT TO HIPAA (Misc/Other)

- Cognitive Reserve Index Questionnaire (Survey/questionnaire)
- cuny dissertation fellowship.pdf (Funding - Grant Application)
- Digit Span Task (Study Material - Validated measures)
- Dissertation Fellowship - Application (Funding - Grant Application)
- Dissertation Fellowship - Grant application (Funding - Grant Application)
- Flyer (healthy).pdf (Advertisement - Flyers)
- Flyer (unhealthy individuals).pdf (Advertisement - Flyers)
- Geriatric Depression Scale - Short version (Study Material - Validated measures)
- Informed Consent (healthy).docx (Consent - Consent Document)
- Informed Consent (unhealthy individuals).docx (Consent - Consent Document)
- Interview with healthy participants.docx (Interview guide)
- Interview with the caregiver.docx (Interview guide)
- Interview with unhealthy individuals.docx (Interview guide)
- Montreal Cognitive Assessment (Study Material - Validated measures)
- Numerical Activities of Daily Living (Study Material - Validated measures)
- Picture Sequence Memory Test (Study Material - Validated measures)
- RF budget - Goral (Misc/Other)
- Screening questions.docx (Misc/Other)
- Silvia De Marchi letter IRB 2026.doc (Communications - Letter to reviewer)

If you have any questions, please contact your [HRPP Coordinator](#)