The 4th Annual Dr. Peter McCracken Memorial Lecture in Geriatric Medicine

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Designing appropriate interiors for an aging population is challenging, in light of dynamic needs and situations. Through the lens of light and colour use in interior environments, Tiiu Poldma presents what issues emerge, in light of research project applications from design and vision sciences perspectives that examine human experience.

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Current research work includes the development and implementation of two Living Labs, including the RehabMALL Living Lab (2011 - 2016, 1.4M$), where she was co-investigator, researcher and executive member. Currently she is co-investigator in the Urban Park Living Lab (2016-2018).

Presentation Objectives:
1. What factors affect aging persons and their well-being in institutional environments and the role of well-designed interiors;
2. How light, colour and form play a major role in spatial stability and falling in institutions, and what factors can prevent adapting well within the environment;
3. What practices in environmental situations improve well-being through the specific use of light and colour within good design practices, and how research about the environment considers both the issues faced and possible solutions that are both evidence-based and cost aware.

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