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Sylvia von Mackensen is a senior scientist at the Department of Medical Psychology at the University Medical Centre in Hamburg, Germany since 2003.

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She is working since 1999 in the field of haemophilia. Her main research interest is focussed on patient-reported outcomes (PRO) related to people with bleeding disorders, especially with haemophilia. She developed several disease-specific PRO measures for the assessment of health-related quality of life, treatment satisfaction, physical functioning and caregiver burden in patients with bleeding disorders such as haemophilia, ITP and VWD. Other fields of interests are urinary tract infections, hereditary angioedema, cleft-lip-palate, myelodysplastic syndrome, thalassemia, multiple sclerosis, and diabetes.

Sylvia von Mackensen has more than 90 published papers in national and international journals and more than 400 presentations at national and international conferences. She is associate editor of the journal *Haemophilia*.

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Since 2004, Sylvia von Mackensen is a member of the Psychosocial Committee of the World Federation of Hemophilia (WFH).

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