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Curriculum Vitae

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Areas of Expertise (Adults and Older Adults)

Clinical Neuropsychology (Assessment of Brain Functioning)

Neuropsychological assessment of brain functioning following head injury, brain injury, post concussive states, clinical negligence, neurological disease (e.g. Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease, HIV), Dementia (e.g., Alzheimer's Disease, Vascular Dementia, Fronto-Temporal Dementia), Stroke, drug, alcohol & solvent abuse, poisoning and other cerebral assaults/injuries.

Neuropsychological assessment of brain functioning following clinical negligence

Assessment of: Effort, validity and malingering, mental capacity, fitness to plead, fitness to work, educational assessments and special needs, Assessment of neuropsychological functioning secondary to pain and mood state.

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Psychiatric/Psychological Injury (PTSD, Adjustment Disorders, Depression and Anxiety and other psychiatric diagnoses)

Assessment and diagnoses of psychological/psychiatric injury resulting from various traumatic events including RTA, assault, sexual assault, domestic violence, industrial accident, war, torture, bullying and harassment, occupational stress, psychological aspects of physical injury/disfigurement, medical negligence, disasters and other traumatic events.

Psychometric Testing

Assessment of intelligence (I.Q.), memory testing and other cognitive functioning in the areas of Learning Disability, general adult and older adult populations.

Family Work

Please note: I am not able to comment on parenting ability or childcare issues.

Please note: I do not assess or treat children. On occasion, depending on the nature of the case, I will see adolescents over 16 but usually my assessment and treatment work is with adults.

Treatment (brain injury/adult psychiatric disorder)

Cognitive Rehabilitation and adjustment to chronic health conditions. vocational rehabilitation, guidance and training following head injury, stroke, MS and other brain dysfunction. Neurorehabilitation of memory, executive and other cognitive and emotional problems following head injury and post concussive states. Psychological therapy, including CBT, for adjustment to head injury and other brain disorders for patients and their partners/carers.

Psychological treatment, including cognitive behavioural therapy, in the areas of adult mental health difficulties (anxiety, depression, PTSD etc). Psychological treatment, including CBT, of psychiatric disorder following health related problems.

I have developed internationally recognised cognitive therapy treatments for trauma, specifically having innovated and developed the new generation of Metacognitive CBT treatments for PTSD. I have particular expertise in the treatment of PTSD and related adjustment disorders/trauma reactions.

This list is not exhaustive. Please contact me directly to discuss any relevant cases.

Expert witness experience

I have acted as an expert witness since 1996 and have provided in excess of 3000 reports to Solicitors, C.P.S., C.I.C.A., Trade Unions, employers, insurance companies and other parties including individual contracts with NHS trusts. I have also undertaken several European personal injury cases and been involved in a number of class actions where I have assessed multiple claimants suffering psychological, neuropsychological and brain injury arising from the same index event. I also provide regular medico legal and clinical supervision to professional colleagues trying to establish themselves in medico legal practice. On average I accept around 100 instructions per year. These are approximately:

Psychiatric diagnoses (eg, PTSD, Adjustment Disorders, Depression and Anxiety) following traumatic events/personal injury/medical negligence	10 %
Clinical Neuropsychology (assessment of head injury and other brain functioning)	90%
Joint single expert	1 %
Defendant work	47%
Claimant work	52%

Full details of my terms and conditions are available on request

I have also received regular Bond Solon Expert Witness and Court Skills Training. I have also been cross-examined in Court and Tribunals including the Royal Courts of Justice.

Career Summary

Sept 2009 -	Clinical Director Psychology Chambers Ltd Clinical Neuropsychology and Clinical psychology Private Practice
April 2009 – Sept 2009	Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist. East London NHS foundation Trust. Head of Neuropsychology for Diagnostic Assessment Services.
Sept 2005–April 2009	Senior Clinical Lecturer in Clinical Psychology and Clinical Neuropsychology, Bristol Doctorate in Clinical Psychology Course Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist, Epsom and St. Helier NHS trust Honorary Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist, Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS trust
Feb 2004–Sept 2005	Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist Salford Royal Hospitals NHS Trust Greater Manchester Lead for Neuropsychology Services for Neurology
Nov 2001-Jan 2004	Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist. Halton PCT (half-time) Head of North Cheshire Neuropsychology Services University Clinical Teacher. University of Liverpool (half-time) Head of Admissions and examinations. Department of Clinical Psychology
Sept 1996-Oct 2001	Clinical Neuropsychologist. North Manchester General Hospital Head of Neuropsychology and PTSD service
Sept 1993-Sept 1996	Trainee Clinical Psychologist. South Manchester University Hospitals Trust

Qualifications and Registration

Associate Fellow of British Psychological Society (AFBPsS.)
 Chartered Psychologist of the British Psychological Society. (C. Psychol.)
 Bachelor of Science in Psychology (University of Plymouth (BSc (Hons)))
 Doctor of Clinical Psychology. University of Manchester (Clin.Psy.D.)
 Chartered Clinical Psychologist (HCPC Registered PYL20762)
 Registered expert witness of British Psychological Society
 Full member of Division of Clinical Psychology of British Psychological Society (DCP)
 Listed on the Specialist Register of Clinical Neuropsychologists of the Division of Neuropsychology (SRCN)

Professional Affiliations

Member of International Neuropsychological Society
Member of National Academy of Neuropsychology
Member of American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology
Member of the British Association for Behavioural and Cognitive Psychotherapies
Member of the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies
Member of the British Psychological Society register of expert witnesses
Registered Expert with Expert Search
Registered with Expertwitnes.co.uk
Registered with UK Register of Expert Witnesses
Registered with National Expert Witness Agency
Expert Member APIL
Sweet and Maxwell approved Expert

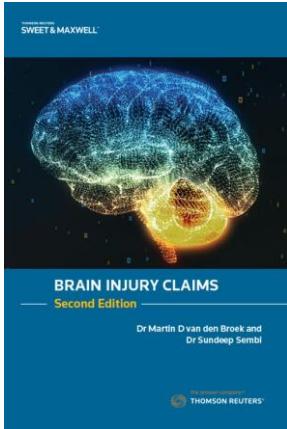
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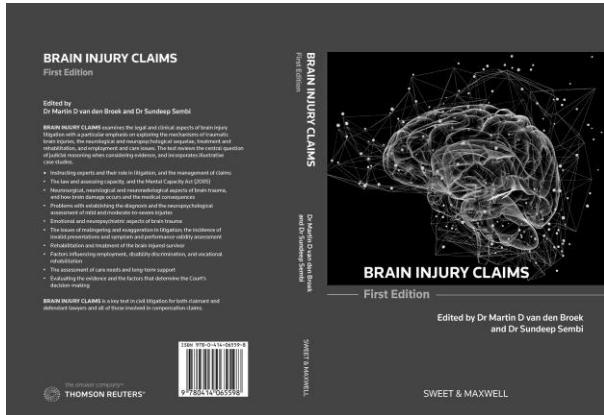
I am registered with a number of medico legal agencies including: Premex+, Premex, Mobile Doctors, Doctors Chambers and several others.

Recent publications and presentations

Books

Van den Brock, M and **Semb, S.**, Brain Injury Claims. Sweet and Maxwell 2nd Edition 2020.





Van den Broek, M and **Semb, S.**, Brain Injury Claims. Sweet and Maxwell 2017.

Invited Medico Legal Presentations

Semb, S., Bias, Diagnostic Accuracy, Effort & Validity. Ministry of Justice & Ministry of Defence, Zoom 2020

Semb, S., Clinical accuracy and the role of validity and effort in mild head injury, Sussex Brain injury forum, Brighton 2019

Semb, S., Subtle TBI: Dilemmas, difficulties and clinical accuracy. South Wales acquired brain injury forum, Cardiff 2018

Semb, S., Normal Variation and Abnormal Deficits in Neuropsychological Assessment. Hardwick Chambers, London 2018

Semb, S., Subtle Brain Injury. A Conversation Between Medicine and the Law. Cambridge Medico Legal Conference 2017

Semb, S., Malingering and Deception. Applying Psychology & St Johns Buildings Chambers, Manchester 2014

Peer Review Journals

Snowden, Austin, N., **Semb, S.**, Thompson, J., Craufurd, D & Neary, D. Emotion recognition in Huntington's disease and frontotemporal dementia. *Neuropsychologia* 2008 46: 2638-2649

Scott, M. & **Semb, S.** Cognitive behavioural treatment in practice: The neglected role of diagnostic accuracy. *Behavioural and Cognitive Psychotherapy*. 2006 34: 491-497

Wells, A., & **Semb, S.** Treating PTSD with metacognitive focused therapy: A core treatment manual. 2005. *Cognitive and Behavioural Practice*. 2004 11: 365-377

Wells, A., & **Semb, S.** Metacognitive focused therapy for PTSD: Effectiveness of a new treatment approach. *Journal of Behavior Therapy and Experimental Psychiatry*. 2004 35: 307-318

Samson, M., Kinderman, P., Watts, S., & **Semb, S.** Psychopathology and autobiographical memory in stroke and non-stroke hospitalized patients. *International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry*. 2003 18: 23-32

Scott, M., & **Semb, S.** Unreliable assessment in civil litigation. *The Psychologist* 2002; 15: 80-81.
 (http://www.bps.org.uk/_publicationfiles/thepsychologist%5Cscott.pdf)

Semb, S., Terrier, N., O'Neill, P., Burns, A., & Faragher, B. Does Post Traumatic Stress Disorder exist after Stroke. *International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry* 1998; 13: 315-322

(Full list of papers and abstracts published in learned journals and conference presentations to learned societies is available on request)