

Jim van Os

Jim van Os (born 1960) is a Dutch [psychiatrist](#) and epidemiologist.

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In 2009, van Os proposed abolishing the diagnosis of [schizophrenia](#) due to lack of validity, and introduced a new syndromal definition, "salience syndrome",^[1] citing previous work by other researchers that explains psychosis as aberrant salience regulation.^[2]

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