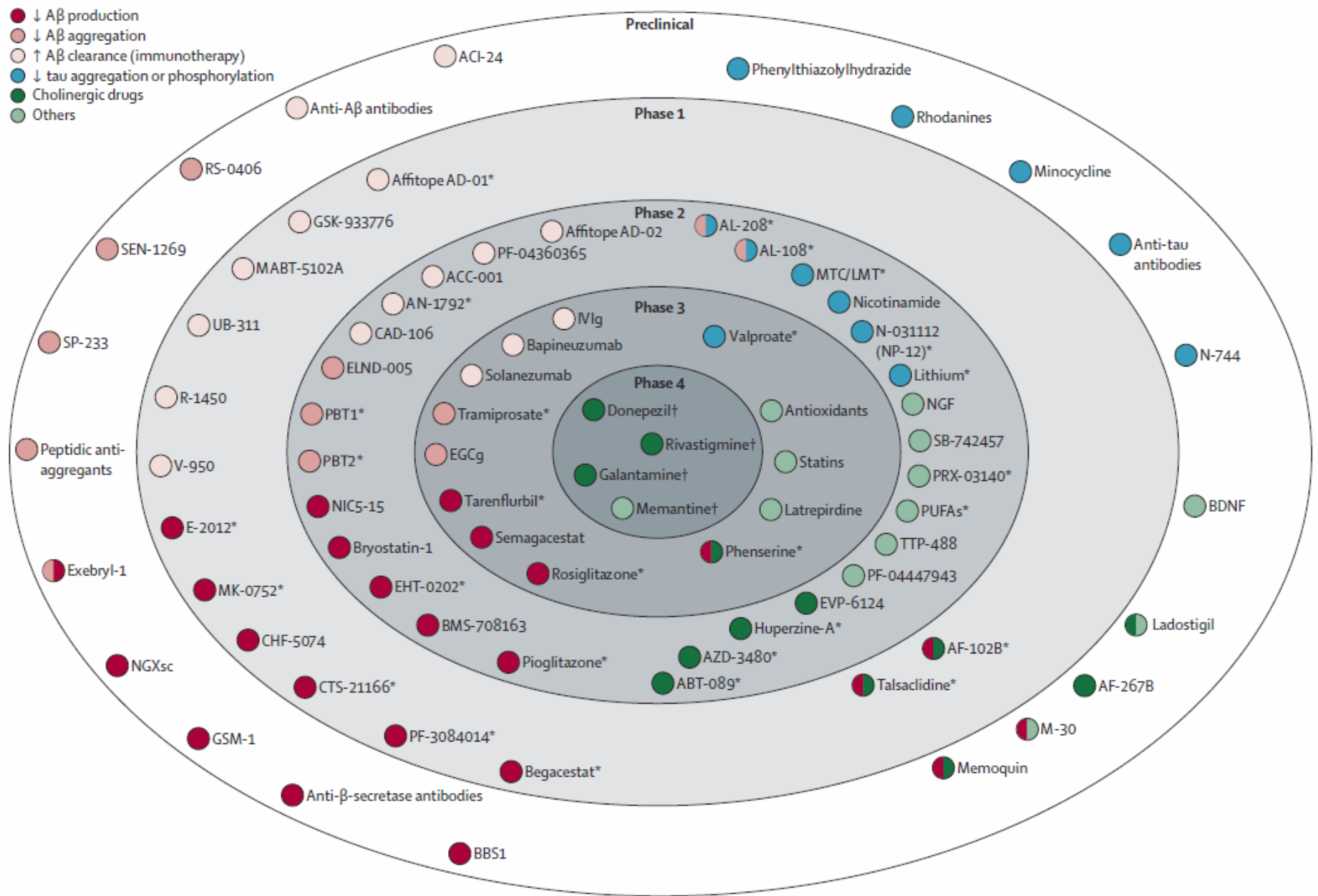
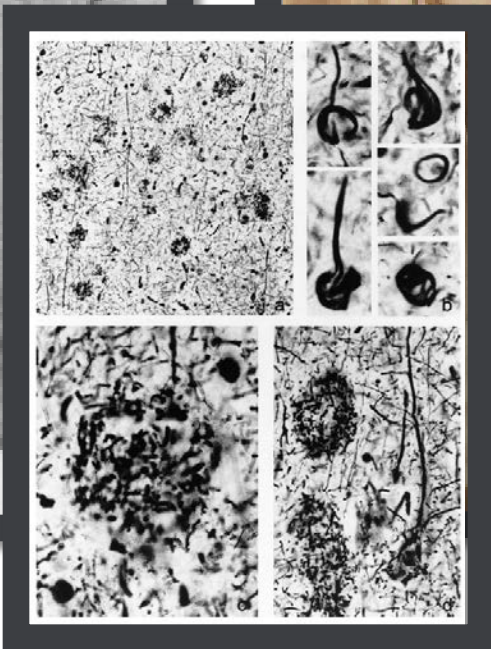
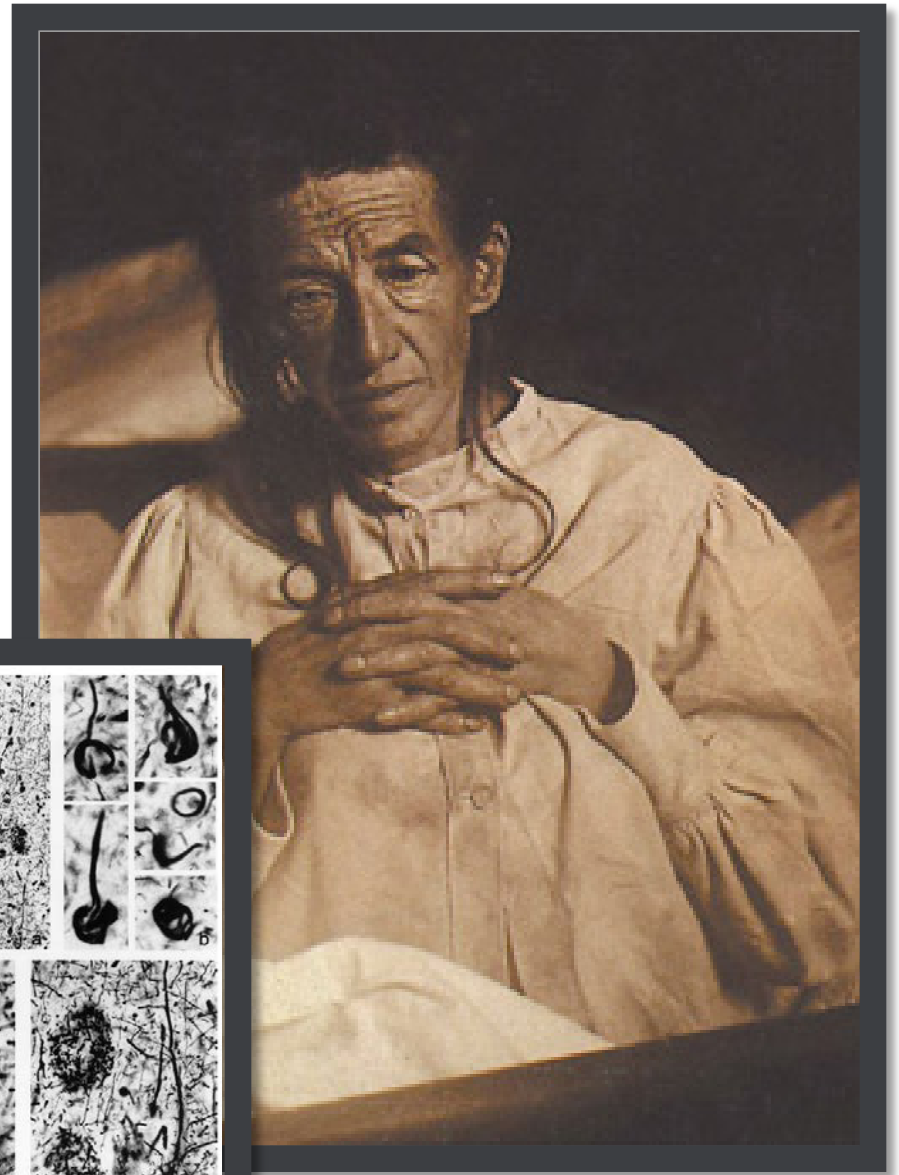
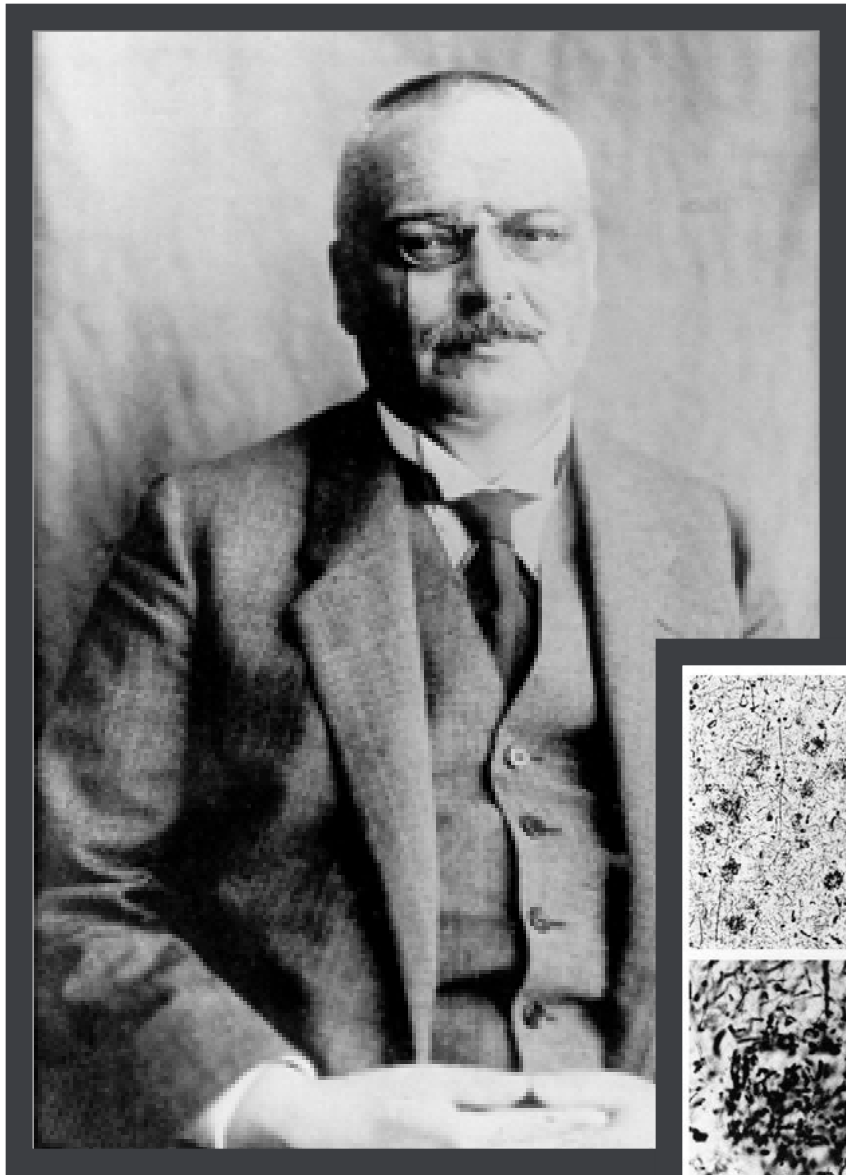


Tractament de la malaltia d'Alzheimer en un futur proper

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The Prevalence and Malignancy of Alzheimer Disease

A Major Killer

An accompanying letter to the editor (p 304) provides another illustration of the malignancy of Alzheimer disease, a phenomenon well known to neurologists. Katzman and Karasu¹ estimate that the senile form of Alzheimer disease may rank as the fourth or fifth most common cause of death in the United States. Yet the US vital statistics tables do not list "Alzheimer disease," "senile dementia," or "senility" as a cause of death, even in the extended list of 263 causes of death.

The argument that Alzheimer disease is a major killer rests on the assumption that Alzheimer disease and senile dementia are a single process and should, therefore, be considered a single disease. Both Alzheimer disease and senile dementia are progressive dementias with similar changes in mental and neurological status that are indistinguishable by careful clinical analyses.^{2,3} The pathological findings are identical—atrophy of the brain, marked loss of neurons, neurofibrillary tangles, granulovacuolar changes, and neuritic (senile) plaques. Ultrastructural studies have established the identity of the neurofibrillary tangle with its twisted tubule and the senile plaque with its amyloid core and degenerating neurites in the brains of patients with Alzheimer disease (under age 65) and senile dementia (over age 65). Most recent ultrastructural and neurochemical

studies indicate that the neurofibrillary tangle in both disorders is characterized by the twisted tubule that represents two neurofilaments joined together in a helical fashion with a period of 800 Angstroms. The studies of Tomlinson et al⁴ and Blessed et al⁵ have established a quantitative correlation between the degree of dementia and the number of neurofibrillary tangles and senile plaques in the cerebral cortex. The evidence on which a distinction between senile dementia and Alzheimer disease can still be argued is the genetic analysis of Larsson et al.⁶ In their analysis of the kindred of patients with senile dementia, numerous relatives were found with senile dementia, but none with a diagnosis of Alzheimer disease. However, the incidence of the Alzheimer senile dementia complex is strongly age-related, even among the elderly. Larsson et al⁶ had suggested a predisposing, autosomal dominant gene with age-related penetrance, reaching a penetrance of 40% at age 90. Therefore, the absence of any relative with "Alzheimer disease" might be related to its relative infrequency in patients under 65. Moreover, in a genetic study carried out in Switzerland, Constantinidis et al⁷ encountered the two diseases in the same family. Although further studies are clearly indicated, the fact remains that neither the clinician, the neuropathologist, nor the electron microscopist can distinguish between

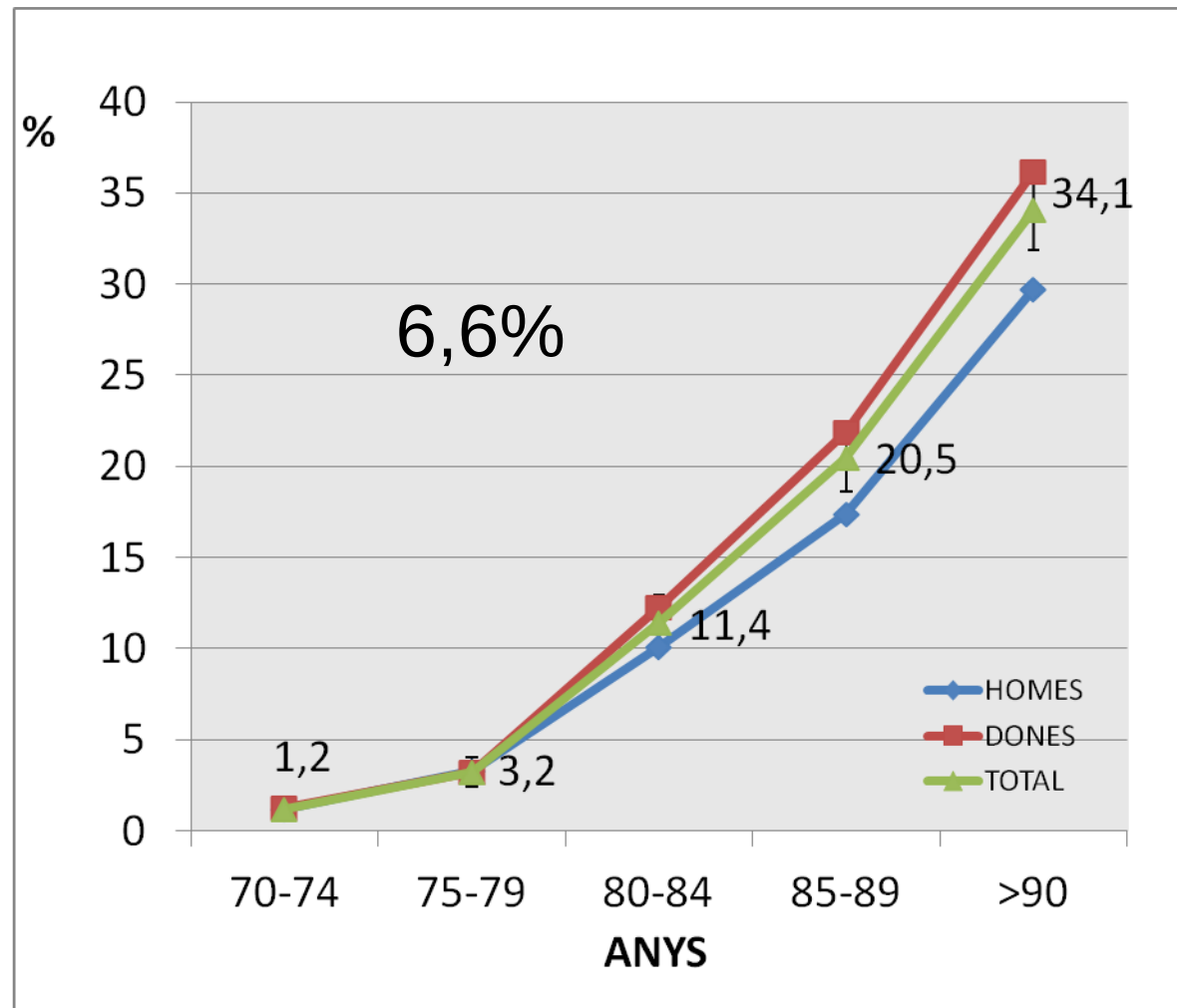
the two disorders, except by the age of the patient. Today, the majority of workers in the field accept the identity of the two disease.⁸ We believe that it is time to drop the arbitrary age distinction and adopt the single designation, Alzheimer disease.

Precise epidemiological information is not available concerning the prevalence of Alzheimer disease in the United States. However, several excellent community surveys of the prevalence of organic dementias in persons over age 65 have been carried out in northern Europe.⁹⁻¹³ In these series, care has been taken to include persons living at home as well as those receiving institutional care. The prevalence of "severe dementia" or organic "psychosis," terms used to describe patients in whom, in addition to intellectual deterioration, there was evidence of disorganization of the personality and inability to carry out the normal tasks of daily living, averaged 4.1%. The prevalence of "mild dementia" and "mild mental deterioration" or "chronic brain syndrome without psychosis," terms used to describe individuals with intellectual impairment who are still able to carry out activities of daily living, averaged 10.8%. Estimates of the incidence of Alzheimer disease (senile dementia) among patients over age 65 with organic dementia vary between 40%¹⁴ and 58%.¹⁵ Applying these figures to the United States, the prevalence of Alzheimer disease in persons

Robert Katzman, MD. The Prevalence and Malignancy of Alzheimer Disease: A Major Killer.

***Arch Neurol* 1976;33(4):217-218.**

PREVALÈNCIA DE LA MALALTIA D'ALZHEIMER



Gascón-Bayarri J., Reñé R., Del Barrio J.L., et al. **Prevalence of dementia subtypes in El Prat de Llobregat, Catalonia, Spain: the PRATICON study.** Neuroepidemiology. 2007; 28(4):224-34.

Població per grups d'edat i sexe.

Total Catalunya. 2010. Font: Idescat

Rang d'edat	(n) Població Catalunya	% Demència	(n) Demència	% MA	(n) Malaltia d'Alzheimer
65-69	330.759	1	3.307	0,5	1.653
70-74	267.164	2,8	7.481	1,2	3.206
75-79	271.132	5,9	15.997	3,2	8.676
80-84	199.608	14,3	28.544	11,4	22.755
85-89	117.201	26,5	31.058	20,5	24.026
≥ 90	53.299	46,3	24.677	34,1	18.175
Total	1.639.143		111.064		77.491

La magnitud del problema

- ▶ 4^a- 5^a causa de mort
- ▶ 1^a - 2^a causa d'atenció PADES
- ▶ 55% d'augment risc d'anar a l'hospital
- ▶ 67% pateix al menys 3 co-morbiditats
- ▶ 64% dels cuidadors pateixen sobrecàrrega, 33% consumeixen psicofàrmacs
- ▶ Augment de morbiditat i mortalitat dels cuidadors
- ▶ 1r – 2n motiu de consulta a l'AE
- ▶ Consum de recursos econòmics

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Dèficit colinèrgic

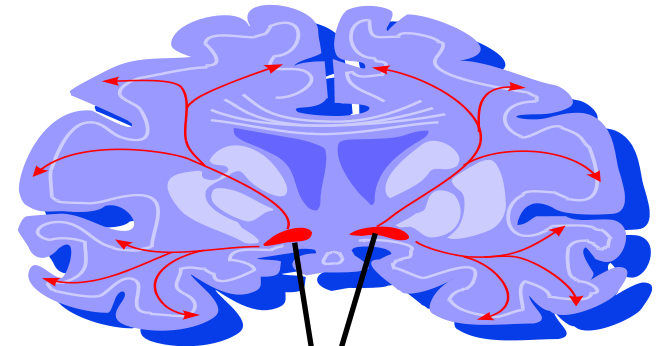
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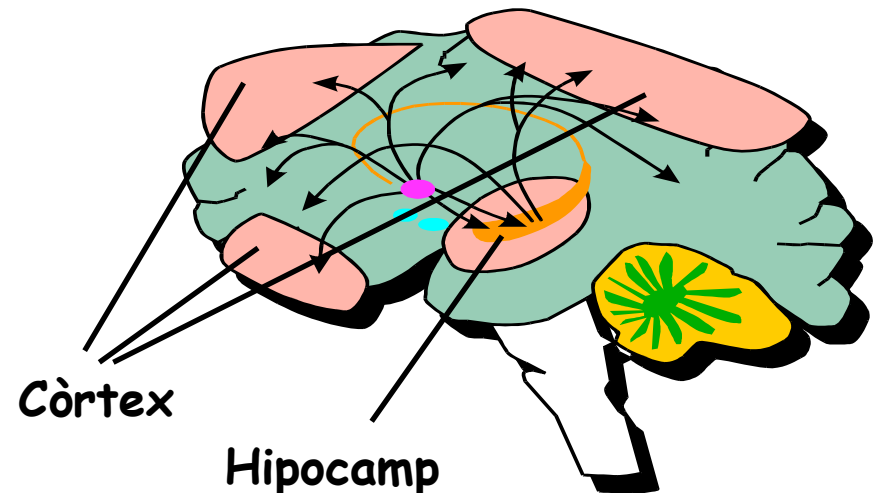
Disminució progressiva
de l'Ach disponible



Deteriorament cognitiu
i conductual de les AVD



N. basals de Meynert



Còrtex

Hipocamp

Tacrina



Oral tetrahydroaminoacridine in long-term treatment of senile dementia, Alzheimer type.

Summers, W. K., Majovski, L. V., Marsh, G. M., Tachiki, K., & Kling, A. (1986).

The New England Journal of Medicine, 315(20), 1241-1245.

Table 1. Clinical Pharmacology of Agents Useful for Reducing the Signs of Dementia.*

Characteristic	Donepezil	Rivastigmine	Galantamine	Memantine
Time to maximal serum concentration (hr)	3–5	0.5–2	0.5–1	3–7
Absorption affected by food	No	Yes	Yes	No
Serum half-life (hr)	70–80	2†	5–7	60–80
Protein binding (%)	96	40	0–20	45
Metabolism	CYP2D6, CYP3A4	Nonhepatic	CYP2D6, CYP3A4	Nonhepatic
Dose (initial/maximal)	5 mg daily/ 10 mg daily	1.5 mg twice daily/ 6 mg twice daily	4 mg twice daily/ 12 mg twice daily	5 mg daily/ 10 mg twice daily
Mechanism of action	Cholinesterase inhibitor	Cholinesterase inhibitor	Cholinesterase inhibitor	NMDA-receptor antagonist

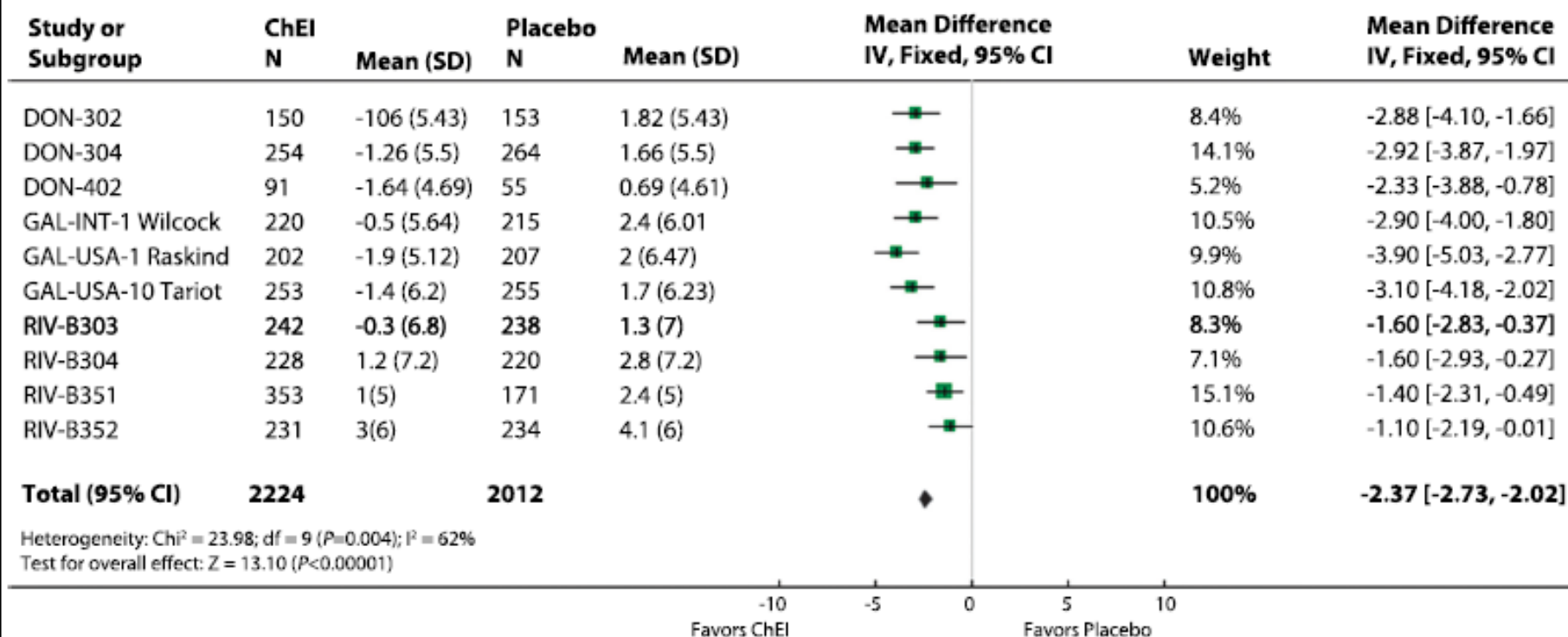
* CYP2D6 denotes cytochrome P-450 enzyme 2D6, CYP3A4 cytochrome P-450 enzyme 3A4, and NMDA *N*-methyl-D-aspartate.

† Rivastigmine is a pseudo-irreversible acetylcholinesterase inhibitor that has an eight-hour half-life for the inhibition of acetylcholinesterase in the brain.

Review: Cholinesterase inhibitors for Alzheimer disease

Comparison: 1 Cholinesterase inhibitor (optimum dose) versus placebo

Outcome: 1 ADAS-Cog mean changes in score from baseline at 6 months or later (ITT-LOCF)



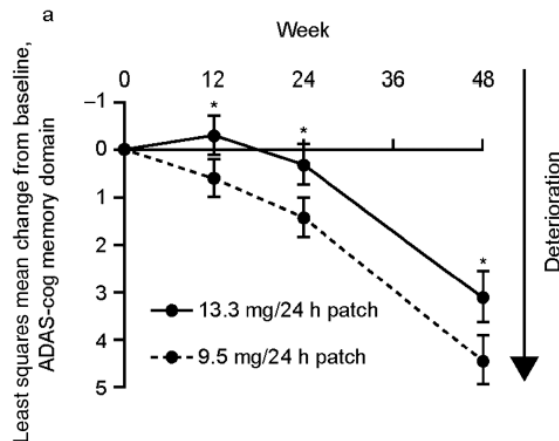
Cholinesterase inhibitors, optimum dose versus placebo. **The figure shows the mean drug-placebo difference on the ADAS-Cog from several clinical trials along with 95% confidence interval widths displayed as horizontal lines.** The overall mean effect is -2.37 points with 95% confidence intervals of -2.73 to -2.03.

Lon S. Schneider, Continuum (Minneapolis) 2013;19(2):339–357. Review. Data from Birks J, Cochrane Database Syst Rev.13 2006.

Efficacy of higher-dose 13.3 mg/24 h (15 cm²) rivastigmine patch on the Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale–cognitive subscale: domain and individual item analysis

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Results: Numerically, less decline was displayed with 13.3 mg/24 h versus 9.5 mg/24 h patch in the total ADAS-cog score at all time points (significant at Week 24, $p=0.027$). Factor analysis identified two domains: memory and language. Significantly, less decline was observed on the memory domain with 13.3 mg/24 h versus 9.5 mg/24 h patch at Weeks 12, 24, and 48 ($p < 0.05$; observed cases). Three items (following commands, orientation, and word recognition) displayed numerically less decline with 13.3 mg/24 h versus 9.5 mg/24 h patch at all time points. No significant between-group differences were observed on the language domain.





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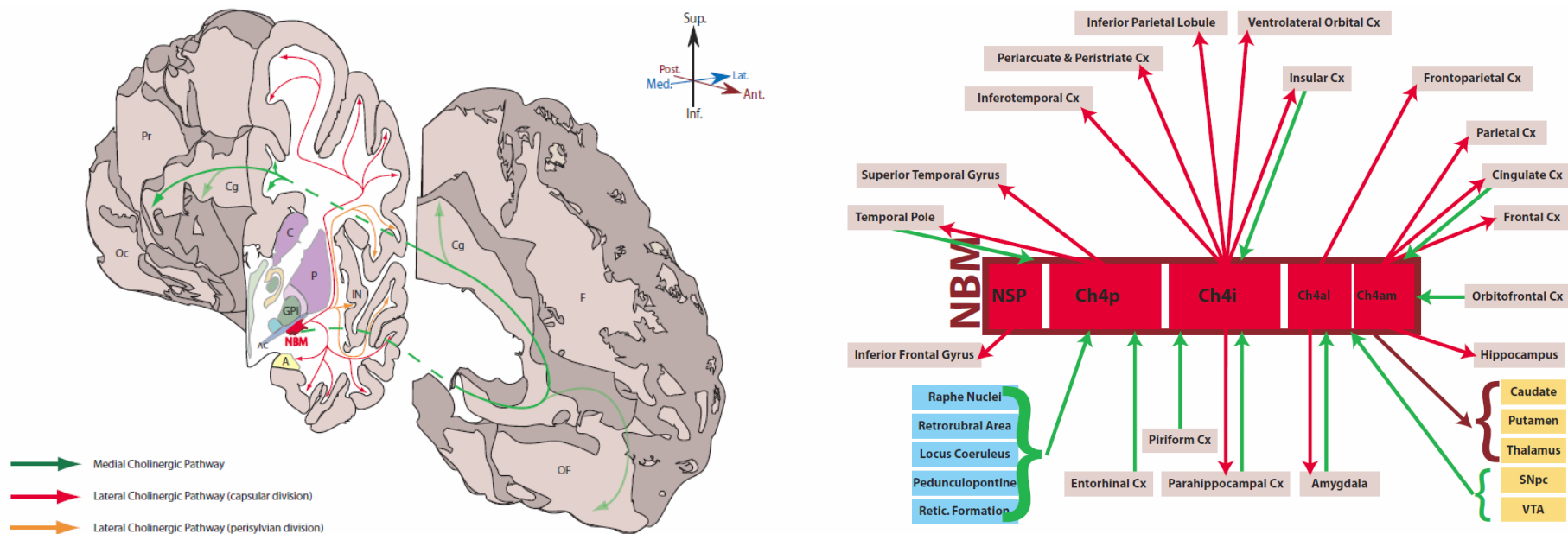
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Review

The nucleus basalis of Meynert: A new target for deep brain stimulation in dementia?

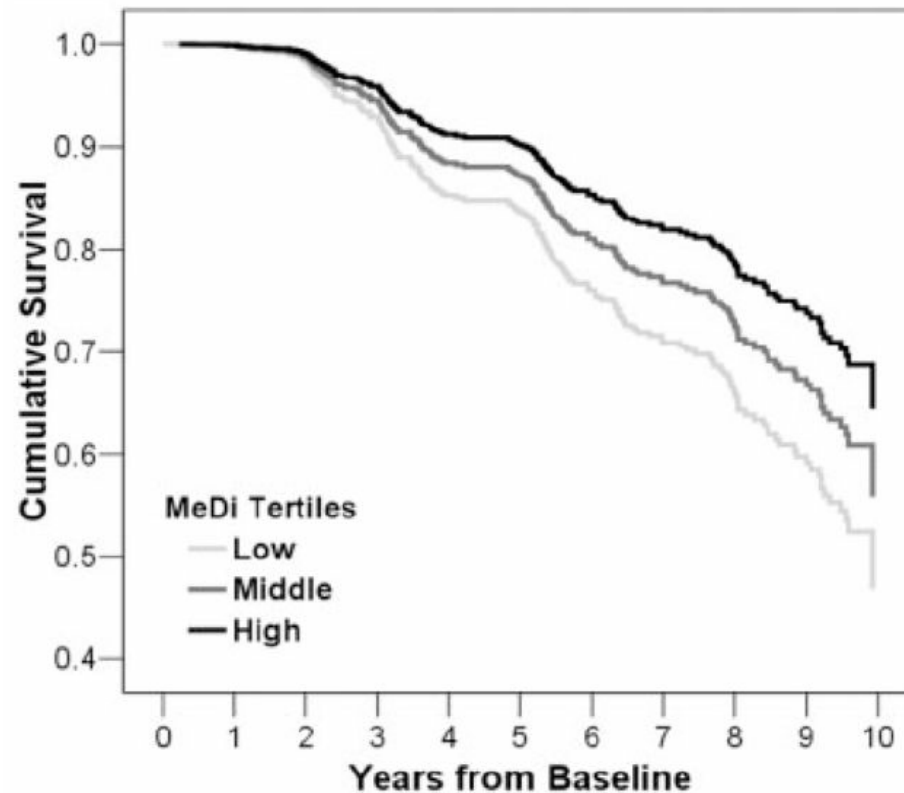


James Gratwicke, Joshua Kahan, Ludvic Zrinzo, Marwan Hariz, Patricia Limousin, Thomas Foltynie*, Marjan Jahanshahi



Mediterranean Diet and Risk for Alzheimer's Disease

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Cicle de Kennedy

U5'-MP (pirimidina)

Uridina

Fosfolípids
Colina

Àcids grassos
omega-3

UTP
(uridina trifosfat)

CTP
(citidil trifosfat)

Fosfocolina

CDP Colina

PUFA:
DHA (docosahexacoic)

Fosfatidilcolina

Nueva membrana neuronal

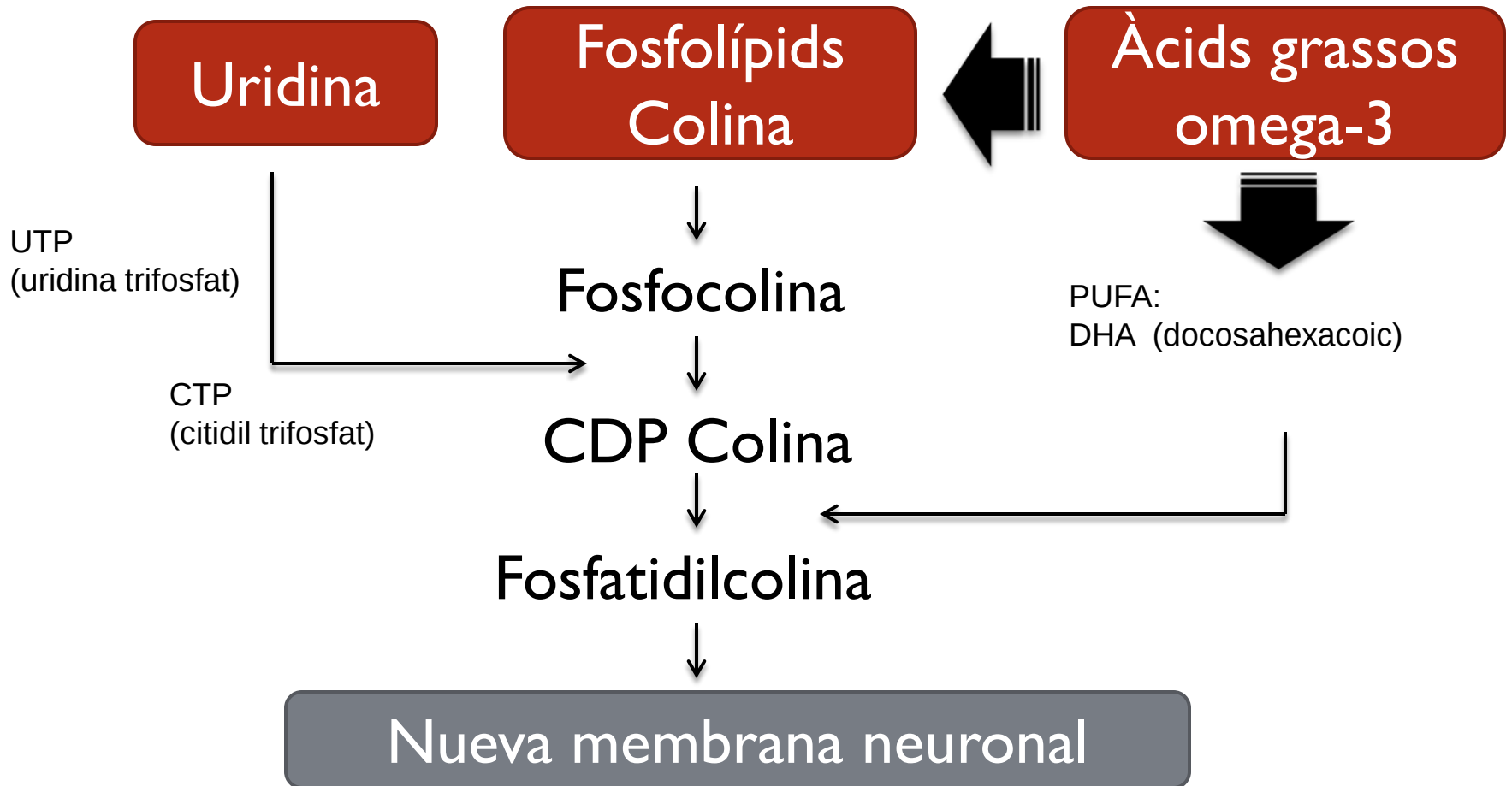
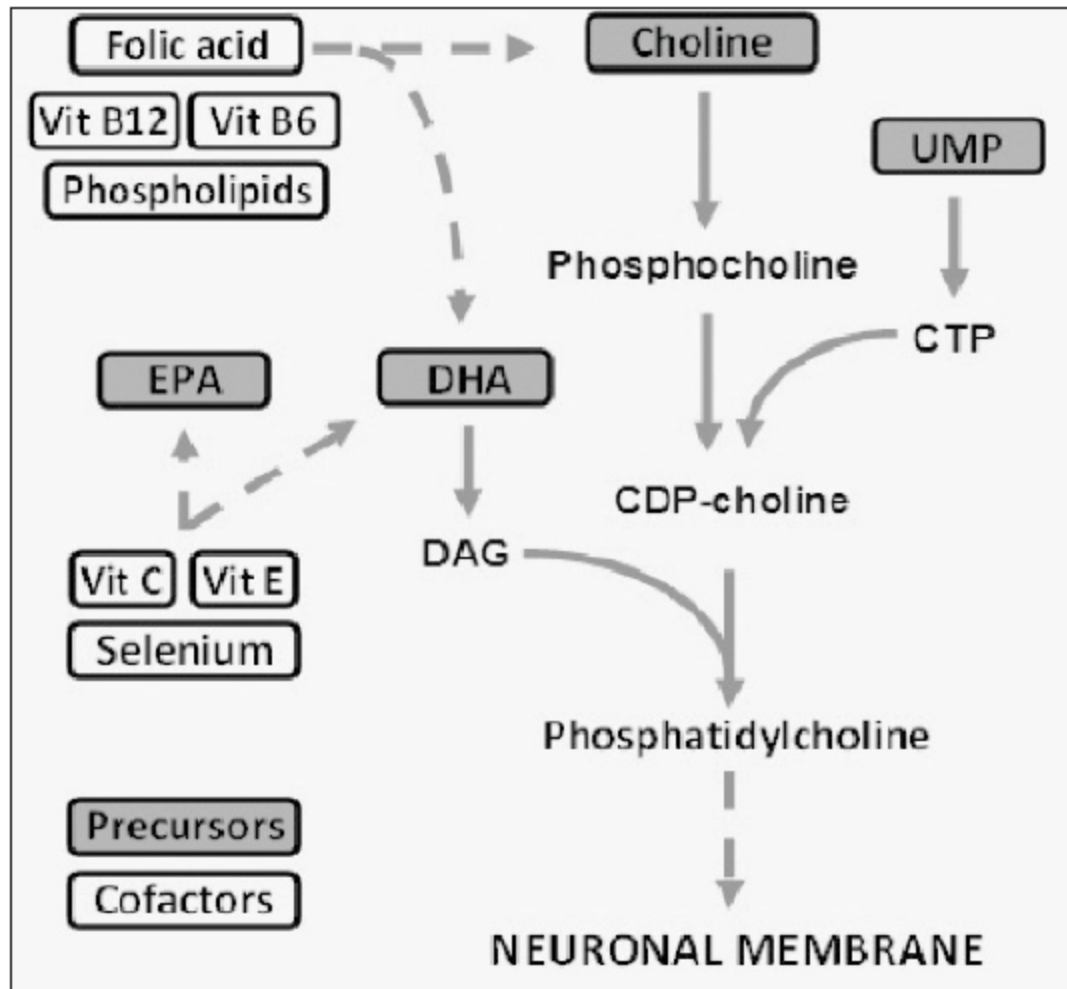


Figure 1

The synthesis of phosphatidylcholine, a major phospholipid found in synaptic membranes



CDP, cytidine diphosphate; CTP, cytidine triphosphate; DAG, diacylglycerol; DHA, docosahexaenoic acid; EPA, eicosapentaenoic acid; UMP, uridine monophosphate

Table 1

Composition of Fortasyn™ Connect, the nutrient combination in Souvenaid®

Component	Amount per daily intake of Souvenaid®
Eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA)	300 mg
Docosahexaenoic acid (DHA)	1200 mg
Uridine monophosphate (UMP)	625 mg
Choline	400 mg
Phospholipids	106 mg
Folic acid	400 µg
Vitamin B6	1 mg
Vitamin B12	3 µg
Vitamin C	80 mg
Vitamin E	40 mg
Selenium	60 µg

Efficacy of Souvenaid in Mild Alzheimer's Disease: Results from a Randomized, Controlled Trial

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Abstract. Souvenaid aims to improve synapse formation and function. An earlier study in patients with Alzheimer's disease (AD) showed that Souvenaid increased memory performance after 12 weeks in drug-naïve patients with mild AD. The Souvenir II study was a 24-week, randomized, controlled, double-blind, parallel-group, multi-country trial to confirm and extend previous findings in drug-naïve patients with mild AD. Patients were randomized 1:1 to receive Souvenaid or an iso-caloric control product once daily for 24 weeks. The primary outcome was the memory function domain Z-score of the Neuropsychological Test Battery (NTB) over 24 weeks. Electroencephalography (EEG) measures served as secondary outcomes as marker for synaptic connectivity. Assessments were done at baseline, 12, and 24 weeks. The NTB memory domain Z-score was significantly increased in the active versus the control group over the 24-week intervention period ($p = 0.023$; Cohen's $d = 0.21$; 95% confidence interval $[-0.06] - [0.49]$). A trend for an effect was observed on the NTB total composite z-score ($p = 0.053$). EEG measures of functional connectivity in the delta band were significantly different between study groups during 24 weeks in favor of the active group.

SOUVENAID®: A NEW APPROACH TO MANAGEMENT OF EARLY ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Table 2
Overview of completed and ongoing clinical trials with Souvenaid®

	Souvenir I	S-Connect	Souvenir II	LipiDiDiet
N	225	527	259	300 (target)
Alzheimer's disease type	Mild	Mild-moderate	Mild	Prodromal
Mean MMSE	20-26	14-24	>20	>24
Acetylcholinesterase inhibitors and/or memantine	No	Yes	No	No
Duration	12 weeks	24 weeks	24 weeks	24 months
Primary endpoint	WMS-r (delayed verbal recall) ADAS-Cog (13 item)	ADAS-Cog (11 item)	NTB memory domain (z-scores)	NTB (z-scores)
Results	Improved memory No improvement in cognition	No improvement in cognition	Improved memory	Ongoing

ADAS-Cog, Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-cognitive subscale; MMSE, Mini-Mental State Examination; NTB, Neuropsychological Test Battery; WMS-r, Wechsler Memory Scale-revised

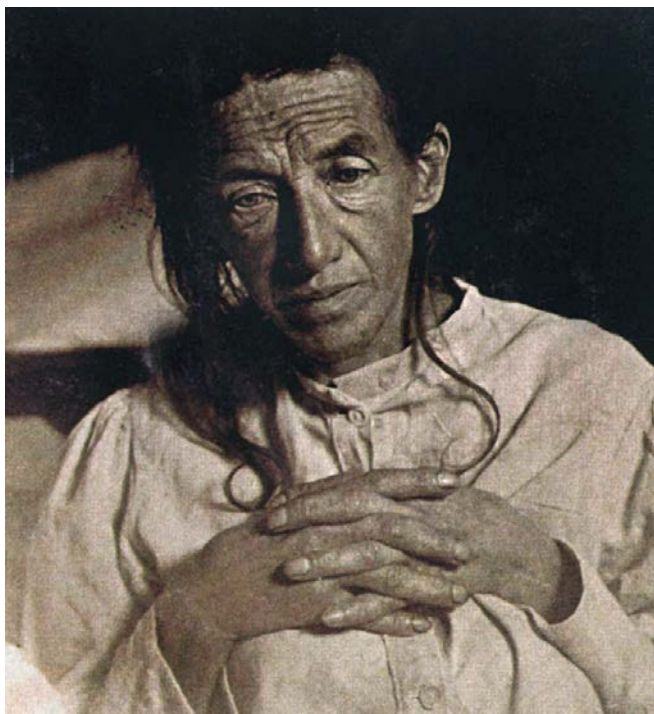


Fig. 1a Tissue sections from Auguste D's brain stained according to Herxheimer (48), Mallory? (63), Bielschowsky (79), Nissl (103) and Nissl (faded)? (138). The slide on the very right also shows "Frankfurt" on its label. All sections are marked "D...". b Entry no. 181 in the autopsy book of Kraepelin's clinic shows a date, "28 April 06", "Frankfurt" followed by the last name "D...", and the source of the tissue, i.e., "Frankfurt". "D..." is the last name of Auguste D., who died in Frankfurt on 8 April 1906

Neurogenetics (1998) 1:223–228

Original article

Histopathology and APOE genotype of the first Alzheimer disease patient, Auguste D.

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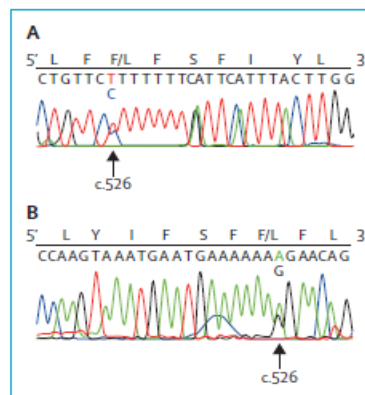


Figure: Sequence chromatograms of 28 bp of exon 6 of PSEN1 in DNA extracted from brain samples of Auguste Deter

Sequencing detected a c.526T→C substitution. Both the sequence of the forward DNA strand (A) and the sequence of the reverse strand (B) are shown. The resulting amino acid change, Phe176Leu, is indicated (F/L). The slight compressions at positions c.533 and c.537 were resolved on the reverse strand.



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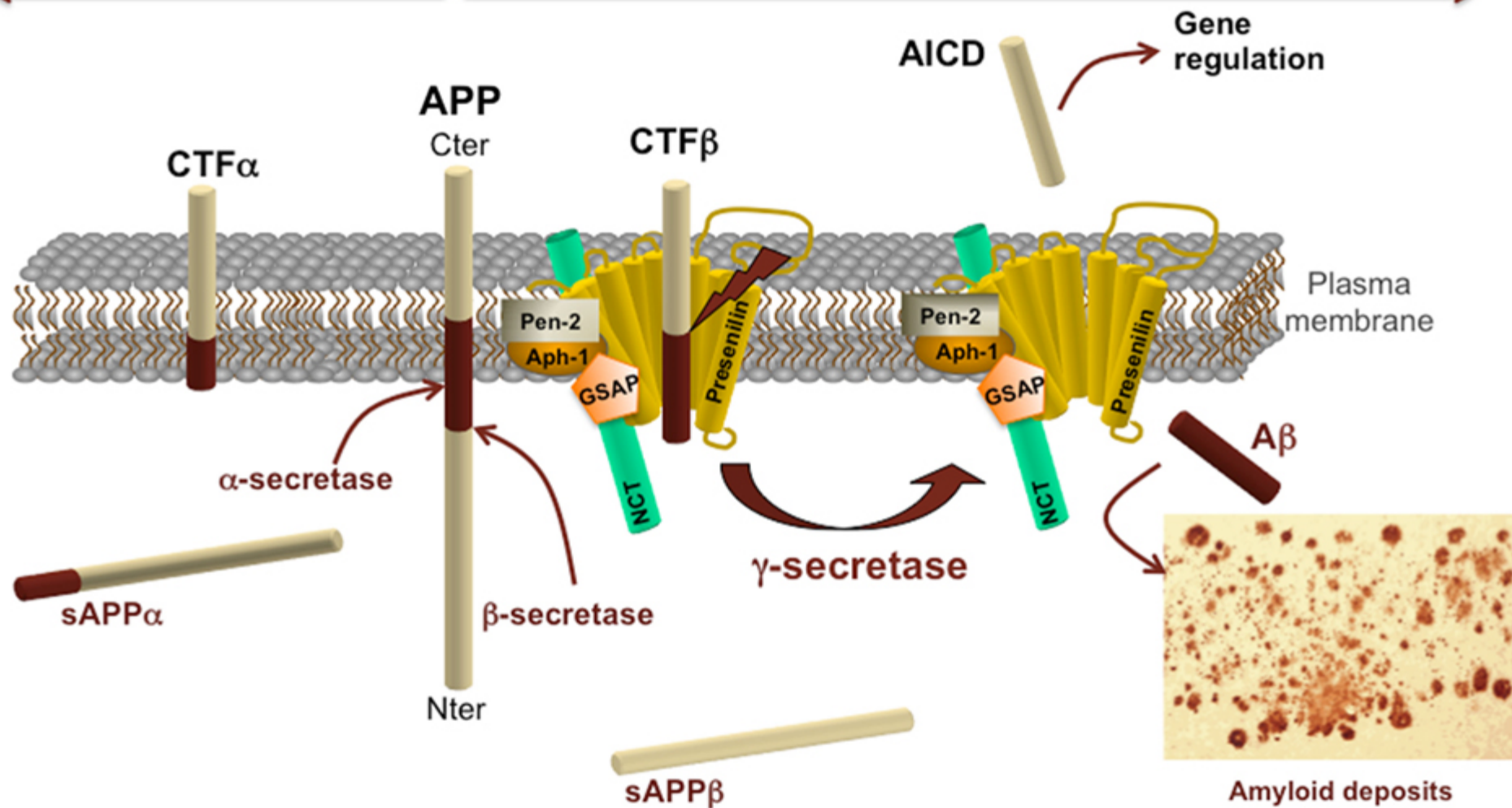
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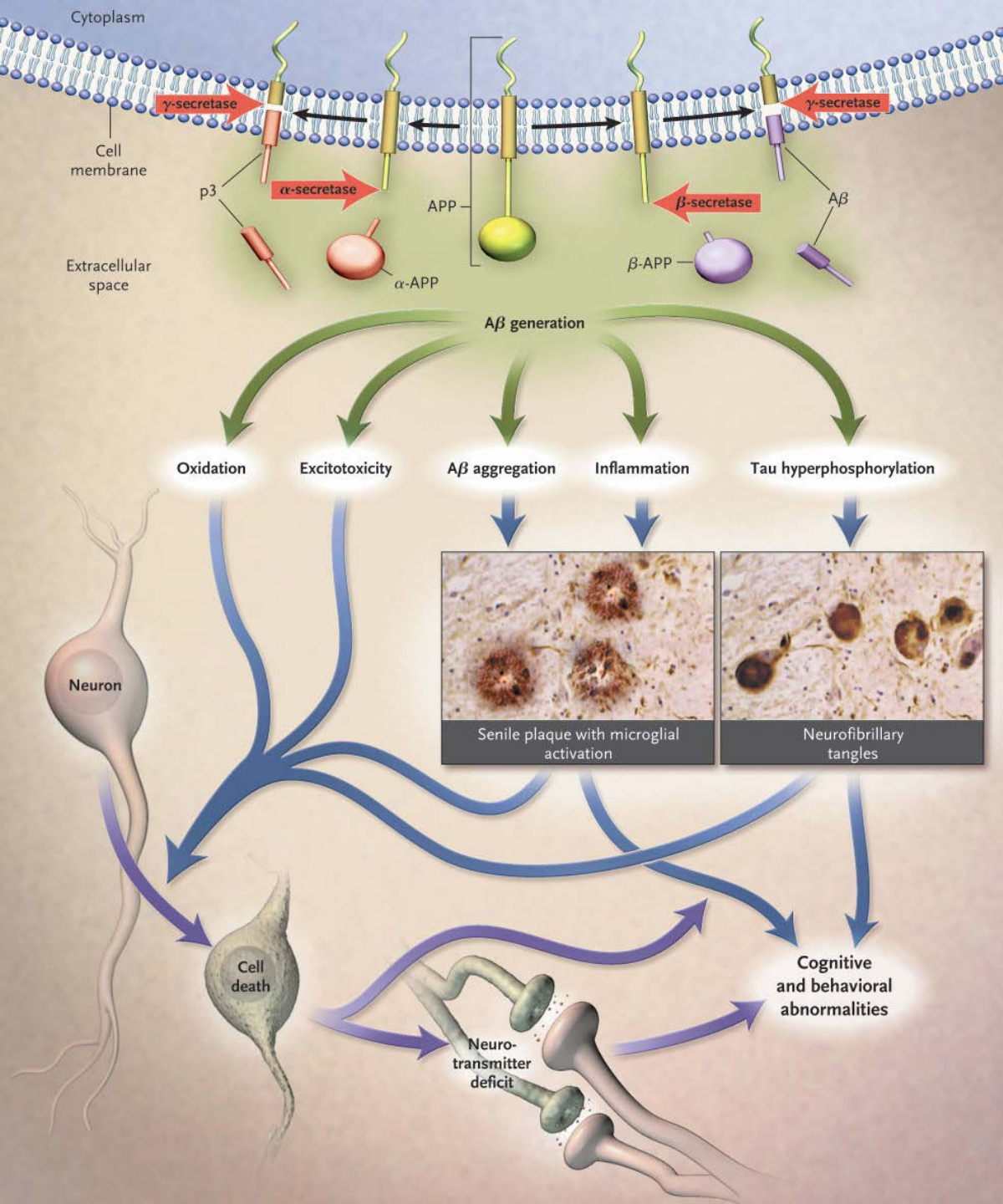


Fig. 2a–d Bielschowsky-stained tissue sections. **a** Numerous amyloid plaques and neurofibrillary tangles are visible in the cerebral cortex of Auguste D. Examples of tangles are shown in **b**, where as amyloid plaques containing abnormal neurites are depicted in **c** and **d**. Primary magnification: $\times 20$ (**a**), $\times 63$ (**b–d**)

Non amyloidogenic
pathway

Amyloidogenic
pathway





Putative Amyloid Cascade.

This hypothesis of the amyloid cascade, which progresses from the generation of the beta-amyloid peptide from the amyloid precursor protein, through multiple secondary steps, to cell death, forms the foundation for current and emerging options for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease. APP denotes amyloid precursor protein, and Ab beta-amyloid.

REVIEW

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Passive anti-amyloid immunotherapy in Alzheimer's disease: What are the most promising targets?

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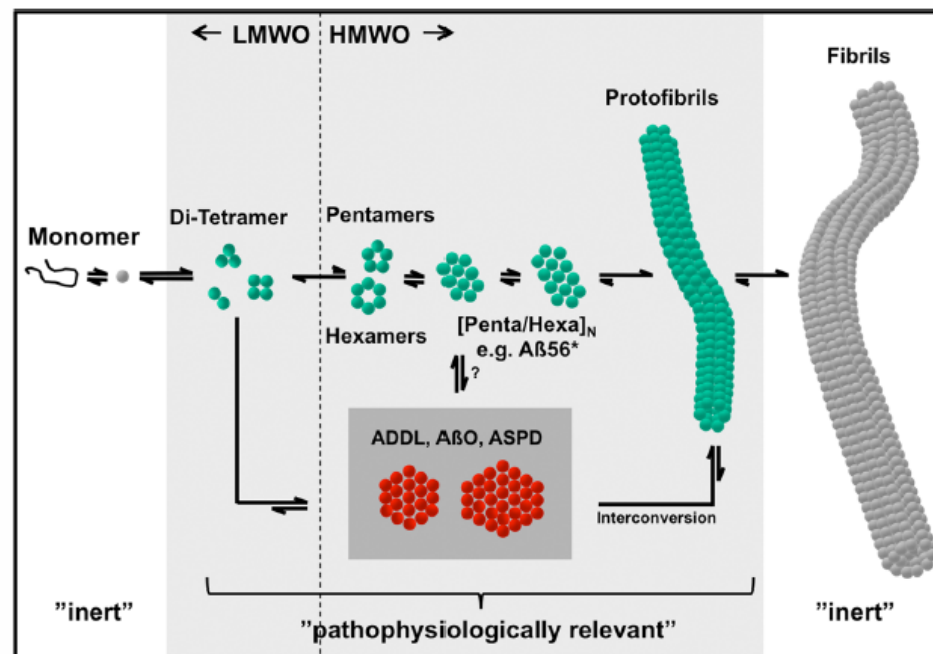


Figure 1 Pathways of aggregation and observed Aβ-aggregate intermediates. Monomeric Aβ folds to the activated state and then exists in rapid equilibrium with low molecular weight oligomers, which aggregate over various transient high molecular weight intermediates to matured fibrils. The definition of LMW and HMW oligomers is related to the elution profile of Aβ-aggregates in size exclusion chromatography, revealing two predominant peaks at the exclusion limit (>60 kDa) and at the void volume (4-20 kDa), respectively. The HMW intermediates comprise pentamers, hexamers and multiples thereof, finally forming protofibrils, which are the precursors for multi-stranded ribbons of matured fibrils. Further neurotoxic aggregate species e.g. AβO, ADDL and ASPD are believed to aggregate over alternative pathways but preliminary data revealed that these are able to converge into the other pathways of aggregation (inter-conversion). Interestingly, every change in the experimental paradigm can provoke this aggregate conversion. Therefore, one might assume that many different aggregates coexist and, thus, neurotoxicity can be attributed to several pathogenic modes of action. Monomers and fibrils are believed to be biologically inert; however fibrils are able to collapse into protofibrils and then also reveal toxicity. The broad range of prefibrillar aggregates have been reported as pathophysiologically relevant in AD.

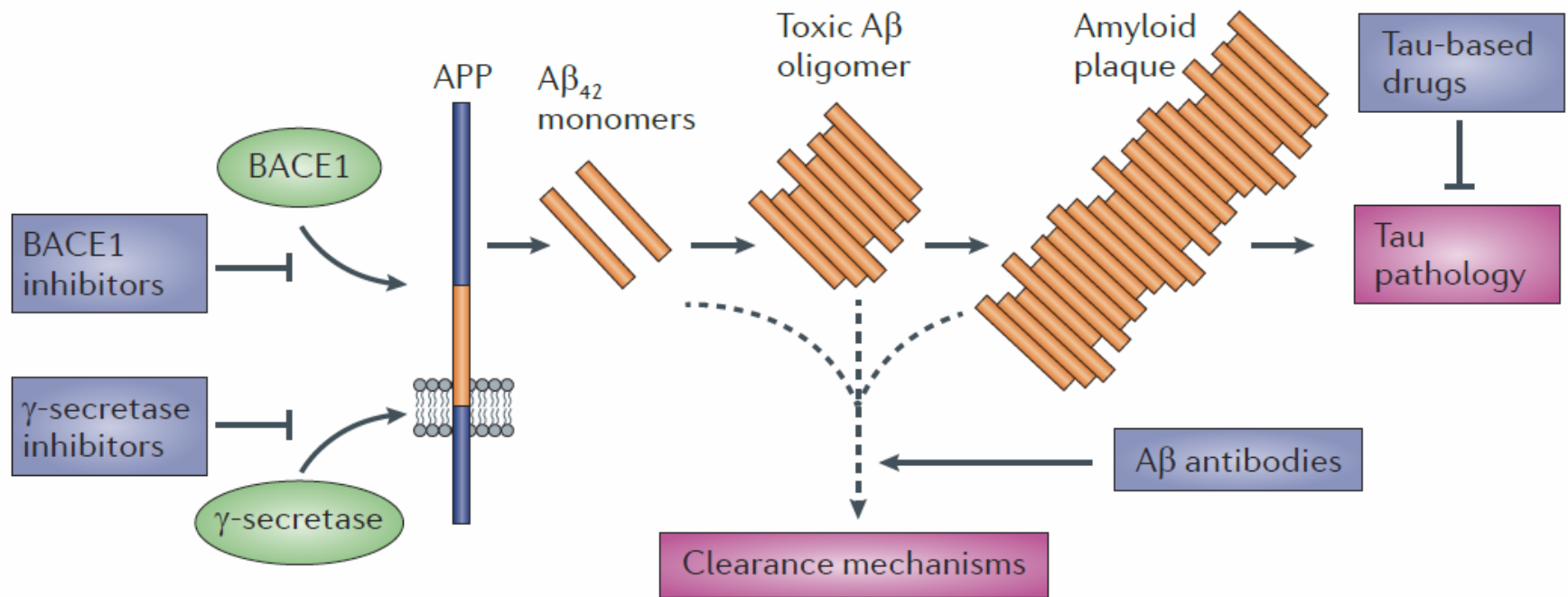


Figure 1 | The amyloid cascade and therapeutic points of intervention. The amyloid precursor protein (APP) is cleaved sequentially by β -secretase (also known as BACE1) and γ -secretase, releasing various amyloid- β (A β) peptides. The aggregation-prone A β_{42} isoform can exist as monomers, oligomers and as amyloid plaques, which trigger downstream effects including tau hyperphosphorylation. BACE1 and γ -secretase inhibitors prevent the production of A β , whereas monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) — which can target different isoforms of A β — promote clearance. Vaccines could drive an immune system response that would clear A β , and tau-based therapies may moderate downstream effects of toxic build-up. Figure modified, with permission, from Citron, M. Alzheimer's disease: strategies for disease modification. *Nature Rev. Drug Discov.* **9**, 387–398 © (2010) Macmillan Publishers Ltd. All rights reserved.

Teràpia antiamiloide

- ▶ Reducció APP: ↓ modulació de la síntesi RNAm APP
- ▶ Activació α -secretasa
- ▶ Inhibició BACE-1 (β -secretasa)
- ▶ Inhibició γ -secretasa
- ▶ Antiagregació monòmers $A\beta$
- ▶ Immunoteràpia:
 - vacunació
 - anticossos monoclonals
 - Immunoglobulines

Inhibició β -secretasa

- ▶ Inhibició de BACE I (β -site APP cleaving enzyme).
- ▶ Regulació negativa de β -secretasa, enzim que inicia la via amiloidogènica.
- ▶ **Estudis fase III amb tiazolidinediones: Rosiglitazona i Pioglitazona (ADO-tipo 2). No eficàcia.**
- ▶ Estimulació del receptor PPAR-gamma (nuclear peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor) que promou degradació de PPA per augment de la seva ubiquitinització.
- ▶ Redueixen la concentració d'insulina perifèrica (hiperinsulinèmia) que competeix amb $A\beta$ per la seva degradació per *insulin degrading enzyme*.

Inhibició γ -secretasa

▶ R-flurbiprofèn (MPC-7869) (Tarenflurbil)

- ▶ Selective $A\beta_{42}$ lowering agent . Modula activitat γ -secretasa i redueix producció $A\beta_{42}$ però no $A\beta_{40}$
- ▶ Fase II: “Efecte modest” sobre les AVD a dosis de 800 mg (Wilcock, Lancet Neurology, 2008)
- ▶ Fase III: MA lleu, n=1700, 18 mesos, 800 mg, ADAS-Cog, ADCS-ADL, NR (Green, JAMA, 2009)

▶ Semagacestat LY450139

- ▶ Fase II segur a dosis 140 mg/24 h. ADAS-Cog NR (Fleisher, Arch Neurology, 2008)
- ▶ Fase III: n=1537 (100-140 mg/d). ADAS-Cog , ADCS-ADL, NR (càncer pell, infeccions (Doody et al, NEJM 2013)

▶ Avagacestat (BMS-78163)

- ▶ Fase 2 safety trial (Dockens, Clin Pharmacokinet, 2012)

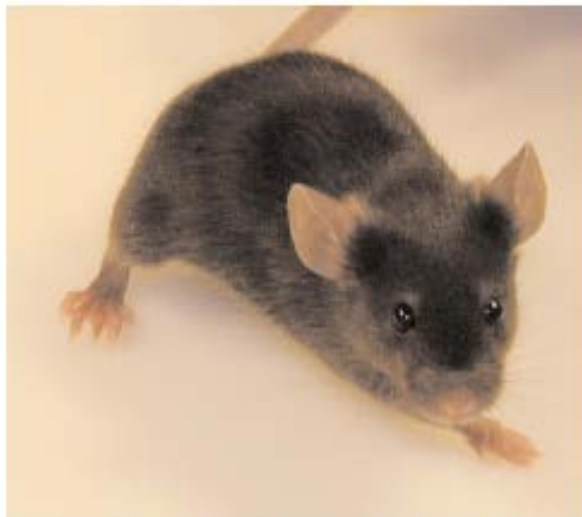
Antioligomerització. Antiagregació de fibril·les.

- ▶ **Tramiprosat (Homotaurina, Alzhemed)**
 - ▶ Fase 3. MA lleu-moderada, n=1052, ADAS-Cog. NR.
(Alphase Study, USA. Aisen, Arch Med Sci, 2011)
- ▶ **PBT2-metal protein attenuating compound**
 - ▶ $\text{Cu}^{2+}/\text{Zn}^{2+}$ mediated toxic oligomerisation
 - ▶ Fase 2 (Lannfelt, Lancet Neurol, 2008)
- ▶ **ELND005 scyllo inositol**
 - ▶ Inhibition of $\text{A}\beta_{42}$ peptide aggregation and formation of $\text{A}\beta$ fibrils
 - ▶ Fase 2 (Salloway, Neurology, 2011). Alta tasa d'infeccions.

Amyloid β vaccination: reduced plaques and improved cognition

Studies in three different transgenic mouse models suggest that the amyloid β -protein contributes to memory loss in Alzheimer disease. Immunization with an amyloid β -peptide fragment reduces learning and memory impairments in mice, and this approach may eventually be used to prevent and/or treat this disease in people.

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Memory deficits in Tg2576 transgenic mice, which overexpress mutant APP, can be reversed by $A\beta_{42}$ vaccination.

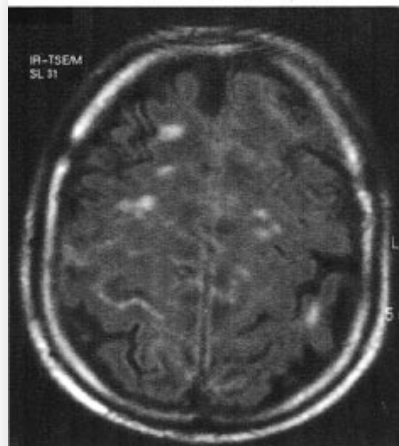
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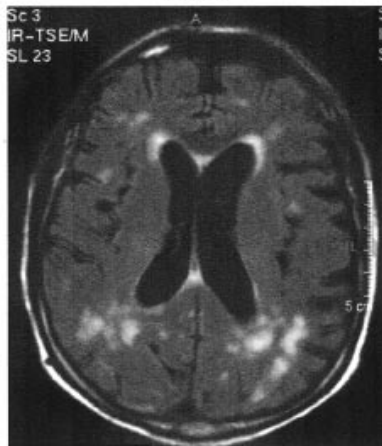
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- Fase IIa. Immunització activa amb A β 1-42 humana (AN 1792) + QS 21
- MA lleu (ADAS-Cog, DAD, CDR, MMSE, CGI-C)
- Els pacients amb títols elevats d'anticossos van millorar la memòria (NTB) y van tenir descens de tau a LCR
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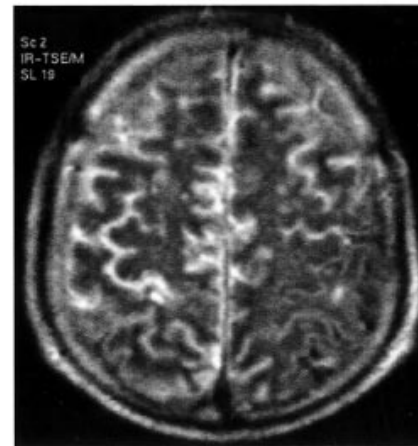
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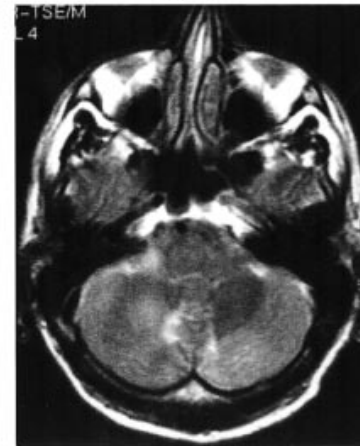
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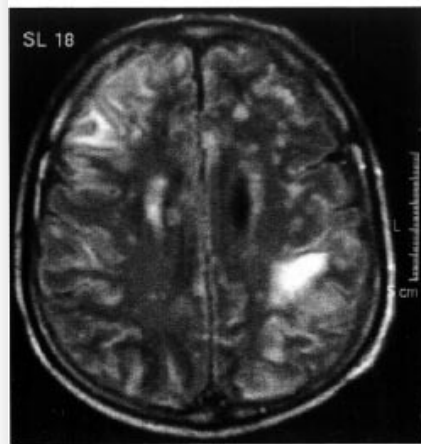
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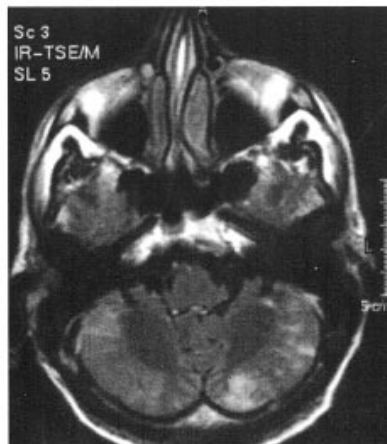
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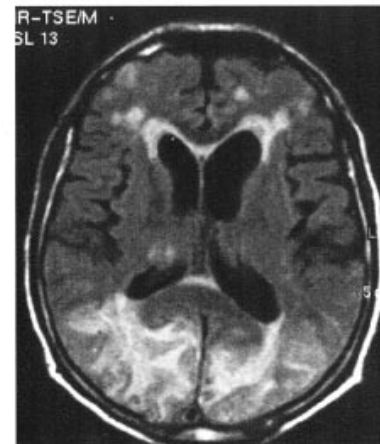
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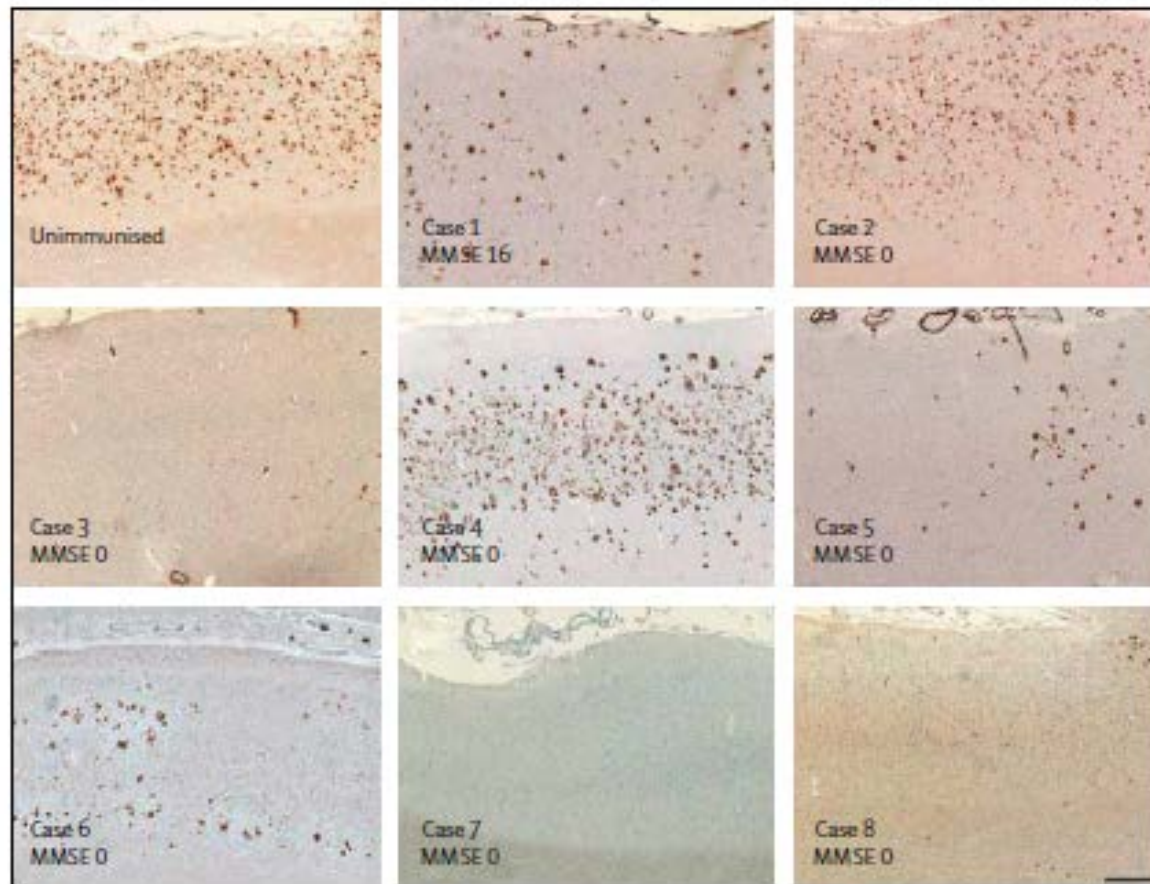


Figure 2: Histological patterns of A β in the temporal lobe neocortex after immunisation with AN1792
 An unimmunised control (top left) has a high density of plaques. Cases 1–8 are all patients who were immunised with A β_{42} . Case 1 died 4 months after the first immunisation dose and showed an early stage of A β removal. Cases 2–8 survived 20–64 months after first immunisation dose. Case 2 did not develop anti-A β antibodies and showed no evidence of plaque clearance. Cases 3–6 showed an intermediate range of plaque clearance. Cases 7 and 8 showed very extensive (case 8) to nearly complete (case 7) removal of A β plaques throughout the cerebral cortex. All the long-term survivors (ie, cases 2–8) continued to have progressive dementia with cognitive function declining to an unrecordable level (ie, MMSE=0) before death. Scale bar=0.5 mm.

Noves vacunes en estudi

- ▶ Dissenyades per reduir la resposta immunitària cel.lular Th1
- ▶ Modificacions en la presentació de l'antigen A β (immunògens alternatius)
 - ▶ Formes solubles d'A β (immunògens no fibril.lars)
 - ▶ Codificació vial del fragment Nt d'A β
 - ▶ Pèptids similars a epítops d'A β
- ▶ Noves vies d'administració (oral, nasal, transcutània)

Noves vacunes en estudi

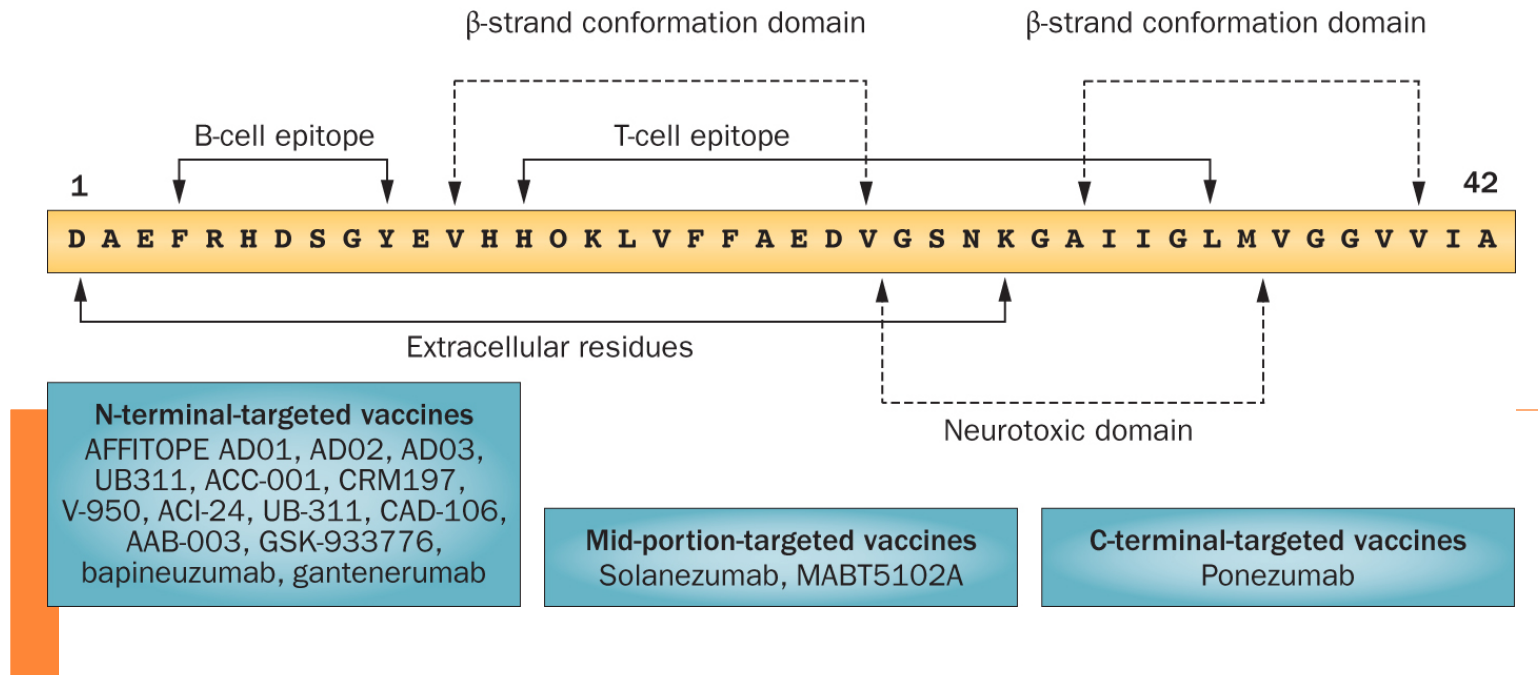
- ▶ CAD 106 (Novartis) A β 1-16: fase II
- ▶ ACI 24 (AC Immune) A β 1-15: fase II
- ▶ AFFITOPE AD-02 (GSK): fase II (finalitzat, no resultats)
- ▶ ACC-001 (Pfizer): fase II
- ▶ UB-311 (United Biomedical): fase II
- ▶ V950 (Merck): fase II
- ▶ ACI24: fase II, LuAF20513: fase I

Anticossos monoclonals

- ▶ Els ratolins transgènics tractats amb m-ab antiA β mostren reducció de nivells cerebrals d'A β , de plaques senils i millora cognitiva respecta a placebo.
- ▶ m-ab evadeixen resposta Th1.
- ▶ Difereixen en l'epítop reconegut de l'A β (regió N-terminal 1-10, central 17-32 i C-terminal 32-42).
- ▶ Mecanisme d'acció no ben conegut:
 - ▶ Desagregació dels agregats A β
 - ▶ Activació de FC → activació microglial → destrucció PS
 - ▶ Unió perifèrica a A β (*peripheral sink*)

Primera generació (Bapineuzumab) va causar ARIA (Amyloid related imaging abnormalities), més freqüents a ApoE4.

Figure 2 Epitopes of the amyloid- β (A β) peptide sequence



Liu, Y.-H. *et al.* (2012) Immunotherapy for Alzheimer disease—the challenge of adverse effects
Nat. Rev. Neurol. doi:10.1038/nrneurol.2012.118

Anticossos monoclonals

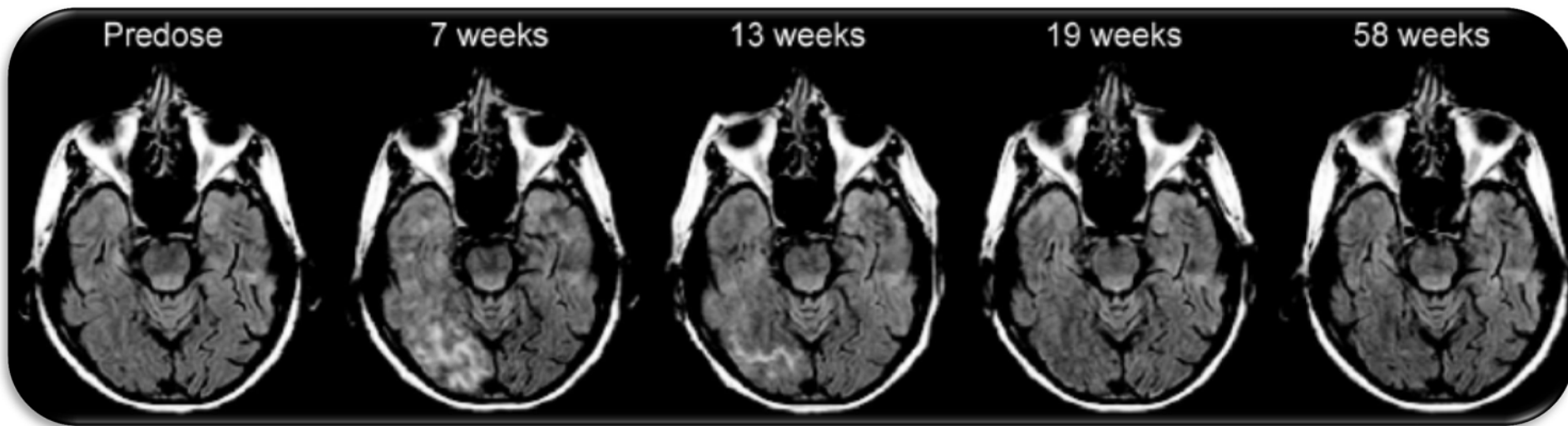
▶ Bapineuzumab (AAB-001, Pfizer)

- ▶ IgG₁ humanitzada contra Nt (A β 1-5). Fibril·lar > soluble.
- ▶ Fase II: aparició d'ARIA (edema vasogènic i microhemorràgies, sobretot portadors E4) (Salloway 2009)
- ▶ Fase III: estudis discontinuats el 2012 per NR primary endpoints
- ▶ AAB-003 en MA lleu-moderada, fase I (NCT01193608, NCT01369225; finalitzats, **no resultats**)

▶ Solanezumab (Lilly)

- ▶ m-ab contra epítol central (A β 13-28). A β soluble.
- ▶ Fase II: NR en ADAS-Cog, CSF-tau i PET-PiB
- ▶ No ARIA
- ▶ TRIAL PROGRAM. Fase III EXPEDITION 1,2: n=2050, MA lleu-moderada. Primary endpoints: NR (subanàlisi grup MMSE 20-26: 34% millora f. cognitiva però $\uparrow$ A β plasma, CSF-tau, volum hipocampal, PET-PiB). Letàrgia, exantema, malestar (no edema vasogènic)
- ▶ **Fase III ongoing en MMSE>20** (EXPEDITION-EXT NCT01127633 / EXPEDITION 3 NCT01900665)
Nov 2018
- ▶ **A4 Study**

Edema vasogènic en pacients tractats amb bapineuzumab



This 69-year-old woman is an APOE 4 homozygote who was treated with bapineuzumab 1.0 mg/kg IV. She remained asymptomatic despite the appearance of multiple areas of VE evident on the MRI. The VE was apparent on MRI by 7 weeks after her first infusion and resolved by 19 weeks. The patient was redosed at 0.5 mg/kg of bapineuzumab IV and followed for over 2 years without recurrence of VE.

Salloway et al., Neurology 2009; 73: 261-70

Anticossos monoclonals

- ▶ Gantenerumab (Hoffman-La Roche)
 - ▶ m-ab amb afinitat subnanomolar a epítòp conformacional de fibril·les (3-11 i 19-28, no soluble)
 - ▶ Fase I: reducció AB a PET - PiB fins 30%, dosi-dependent (Ostrowitzki, Arch Neurol 2012)
 - ▶ Fase III: MA prodròmica, PET+, ongoing (Scarlet RoAD trial) NCT01224106
 - ▶ DIANTU Study
- ▶ Crenezumab MABT5102A (Genentech)
 - ▶ IgG₄ anti A β 42 (12-23)
 - ▶ Fase II 2011-2014. MA lleu - moderada (NCT 01343966)
 - ▶ API Study

IgG intravenosa

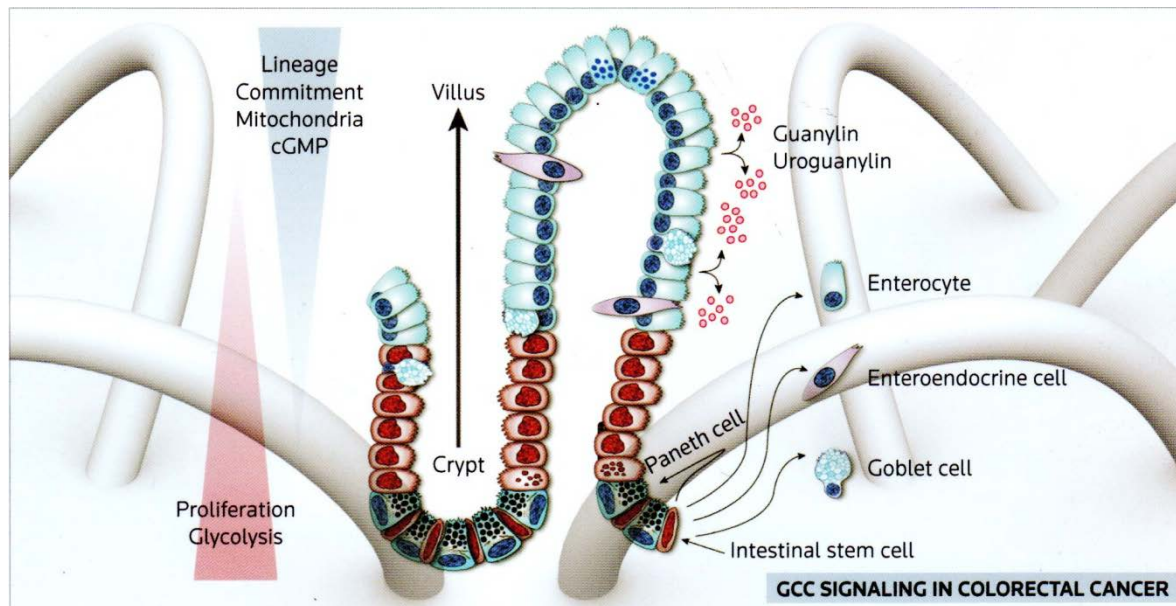
Intravenous immunoglobulin for treatment of mild-to-moderate Alzheimer's disease: a phase 2, randomised, double-blind, placebo-controlled, dose-finding trial

Dodel R., Rominger A., Bartenstein P., Barkhof F., Blennow K., et al.

Lancet Neurology 2013; 12: 233–43

- ▶ Fase 2. n: 89; 58 inclosos. Ac naturals anti A β
 - ▶ MA lleu (MMSE 16-26)
 - IgG iv 0.2-0.5-0.8 g /kg/4 setmanes
 - IgG iv 0.1-0.25-0.4 g/kg/2 setmanes
 - OOSS: ADAS-Cog, CDR, ADCS-ADL.
- 12 i 24 setmanes. NR.

Fase 2: NewGam 10% IVIG (MCI) ongoing (NCT01300728)



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AMYLOID-TARGETED THERAPEUTICS IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE: USE OF HUMAN ALBUMIN IN PLASMA EXCHANGE AS A NOVEL APPROACH FOR A β MOBILIZATION

Boada, M., Ortiz, P., Anaya, F., Hernandez, I.
(**AMBAR study** NCT01561053)

PERSPECTIVE

Resolving controversies on the path to Alzheimer's therapeutics

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Alzheimer's disease constitutes a personal and societal tragedy of immense proportions. Since 1960, research in laboratories and clinics worldwide has elucidated many features of this insidious and ultimately fatal syndrome, and this progress has led to initial human trials of potentially disease-modifying agents. However, some of these agents have already failed. Gnawing controversies and important gaps in our knowledge seem to cast additional doubt on the ability of the field to move forward effectively. Here I discuss some of these looming concerns and offer possible explanations for the major trial failures that suggest they are not predictive of the future. Rigorous preclinical validation of mechanism based therapeutic agents followed by meticulously designed trials that focus on the cardinal cognitive symptoms and their associated biomarkers in the mild or presymptomatic phases of Alzheimer's disease are likely to lead to success, perhaps in the not-too-distant future.

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Commentary

Alzheimer's therapeutics: Continued clinical failures question the validity of the amyloid hypothesis—but what lies beyond?

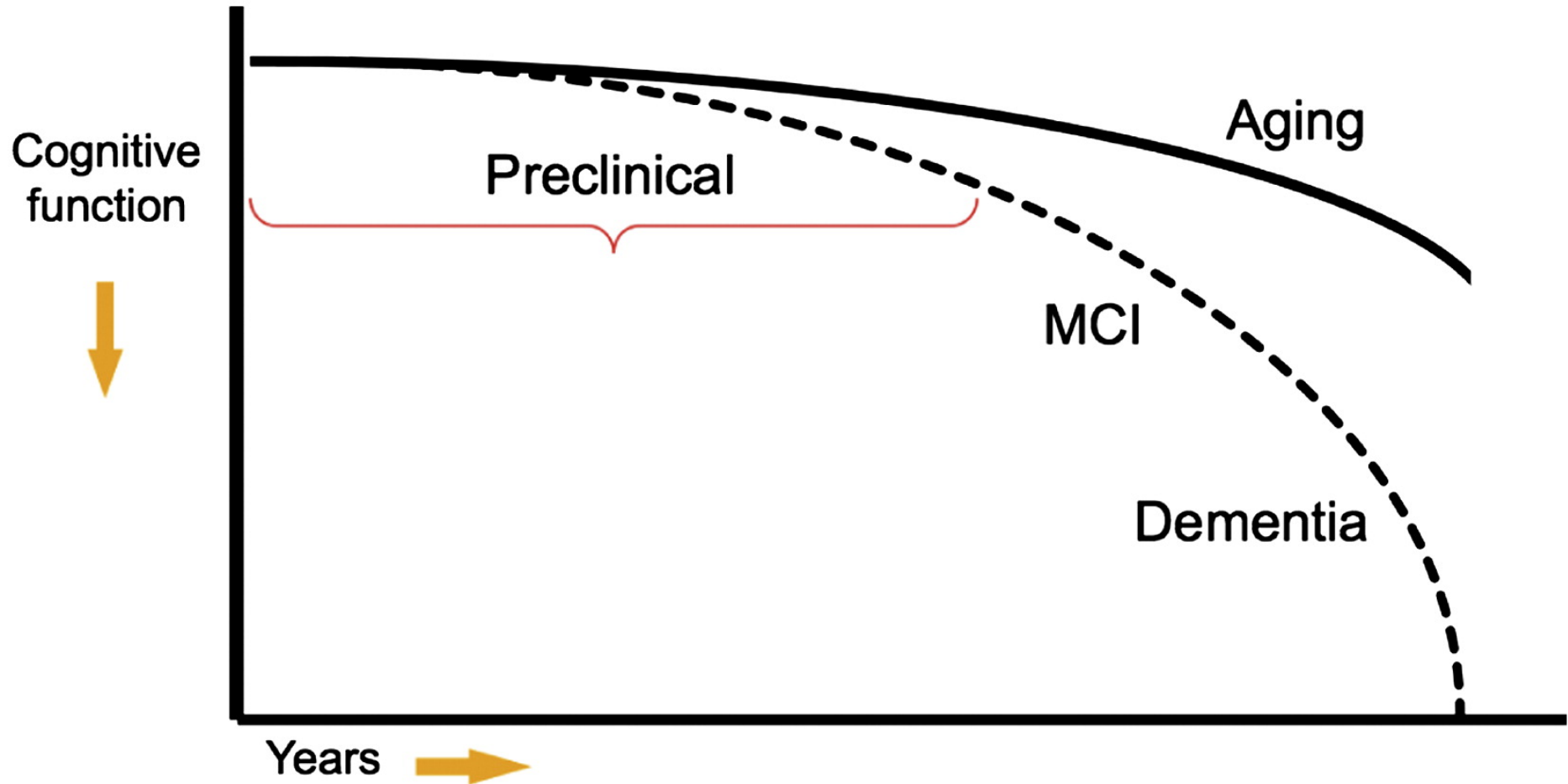
Kevin Mullane^a, Michael Williams^{b,*}

No resposta a la immunoteràpia

► Motius:

1. No es produeix una eliminació prou important d'A β del SNC.
2. La hipòtesi de la cascada és falsa.
3. El dipòsit d'A β és molt precoç, comença molts anys abans de la clínica.

The continuum of Alzheimer's disease



The hypothetical model of dynamic biomarkers of the Alzheimer's pathological cascade. **C. Jack et al.**, *Lancet Neurology* 2010; 9: 119–28

Perspectives

Can we prevent Alzheimer's disease? Secondary “prevention” trials in Alzheimer's disease

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Table 2

Upcoming Trials for Preventive Immunotherapies.

Name	Drug Used vs. Placebo	Patient Group	Trial Start Date	Responsible Party
Dominantly Inherited Alzheimer Network (DIAN)	Use of three different drugs: gantenerumab [*] , solanezumab [*] , beta-secretase (BACE) inhibitor	Families with carriers for autosomal dominant Alzheimer's disease	Early 2013	Washington University School of Medicine
Treatment of Asymptomatic Alzheimer (A4)	Solanezumab [*]	Clinically older individuals with amyloid positive PET scan	Mid 2013	Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, MA
Alzheimer Prevention Initiative (API)	Crenezumab [*]	cognitively healthy individuals who are carriers for genes causing familial Alzheimer's disease	Early 2013	Banner Alzheimer's Institute, Phoenix, AZ

Anti-Amyloid treatment for Asymptomatic AD (A4)

- ▶ Pacients de més de 65 a
- ▶ N: 1.000
- ▶ PET-PIB +
- ▶ MMSE : 27-30, cognitivament normals CDR: 0
- ▶ Solanezumab
- ▶ Primary Outcome: avaluació cognitiva
- ▶ 2014-2020

Dominant Inherited Alzheimer Network (DIAN-TU)

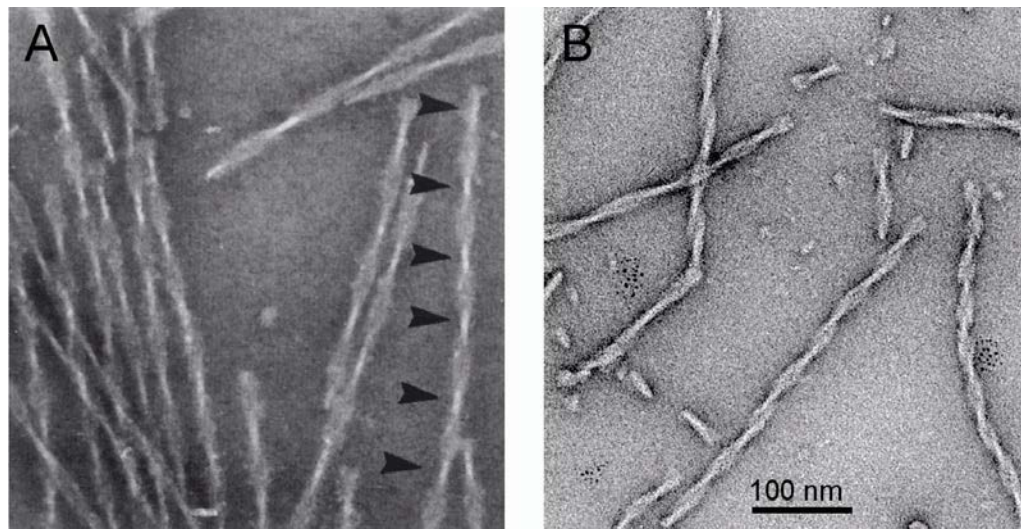
- ▶ Patients de 18 – 80 a.
- ▶ N: 160
- ▶ Portadors de mutacions genètiques AD o al 50% de risc.
- ▶ -15 a +10 anys de l' inici parental
- ▶ CDR: 0-1
- ▶ Solanezumab, ganterezumab, inh. BACE1
- ▶ 2012-2017

Alzheimer **P**reventive **T**herapy **API**

- ▶ N: 300
- ▶ Edad > 30 a.
- ▶ PSI E280A, Antioquía (Colombia)
- ▶ Cognitivament normals
- ▶ Ac monoclonal: Crenezumab
- ▶ 5 a de tractament
- ▶ Biomarcadors i clínica
- ▶ Ongoing, set 2020

Patologia tau i Malaltia d'Alzheimer

- ▶ Tau és una proteïna soluble citoplasmàtica que està unida a la tubulina durant la seva polimerització, estabilitzant els microtúbuls
- ▶ Hi han 6 isoformes de tau en el SNC, de 352 a 441 residus
- ▶ La seva funció és estabilitzar els microtúbuls pel transport axonal i en el citoesquelet pel seu creixement
- ▶ Major correlació amb el dèficit cognitiu que la patologia A β
- ▶ Pocs estudis terapèutics sobre tau

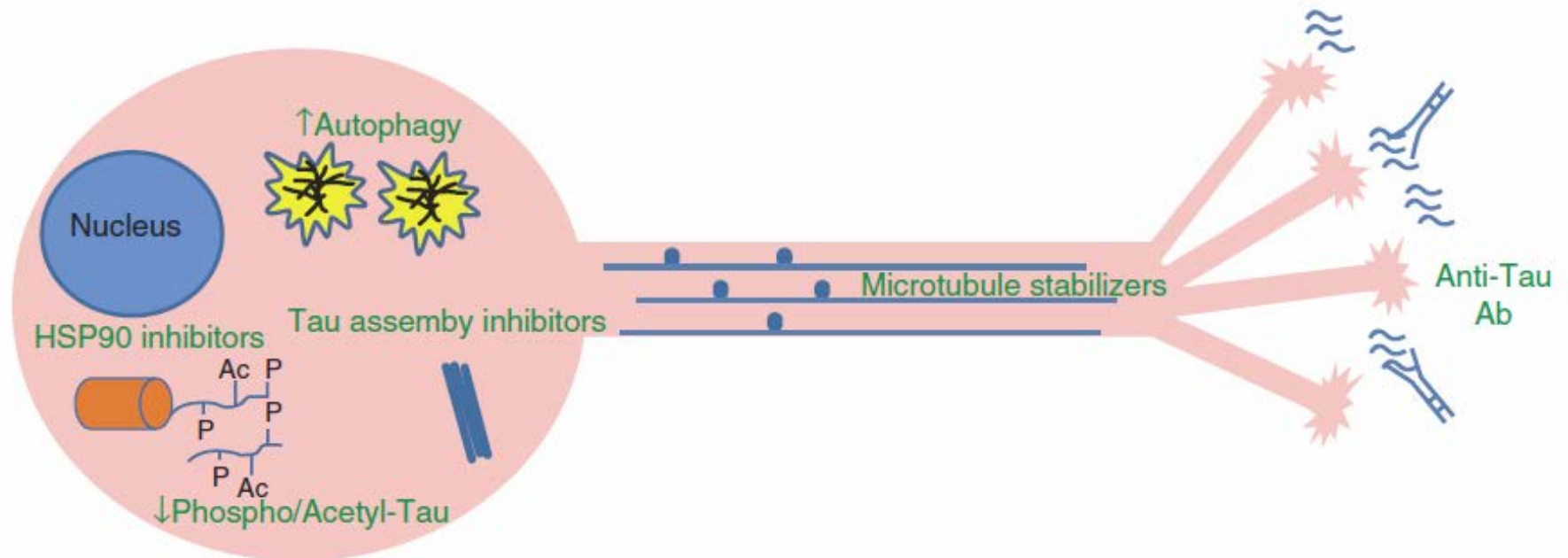


Developing Therapeutic Approaches to Tau, Selected Kinases, and Related Neuronal Protein Targets

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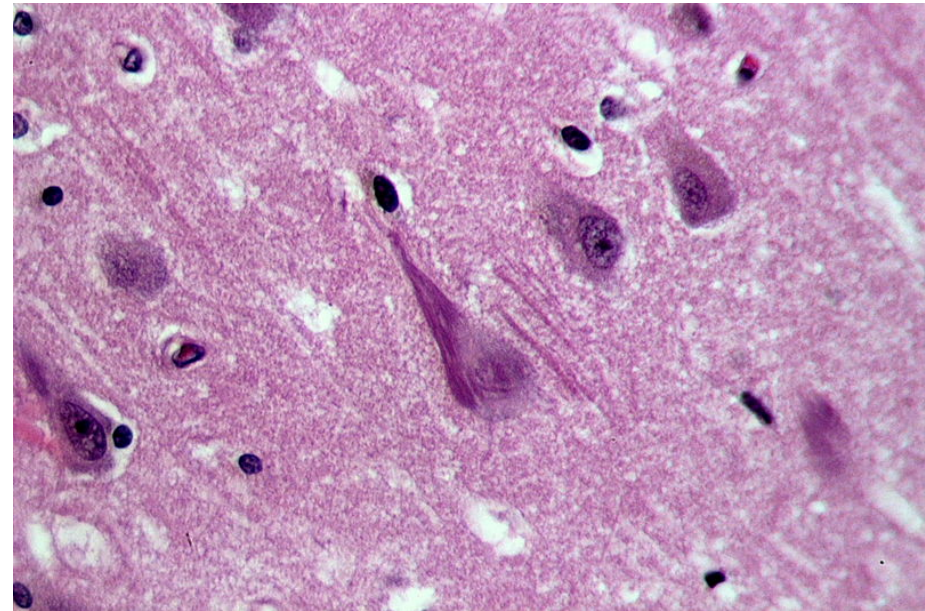


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Estratègies sobre tau

- ▶ 1. Modulació de la fosforil.lació
 - Inhibidors de les fosforil.lases (tau-kinases)
 - Activadors de les fosfatases
- ▶ 2. Antiagregant de tau
- ▶ 3. Estabilizadors dels microtúbuls
- ▶ 4. Immunoteràpia

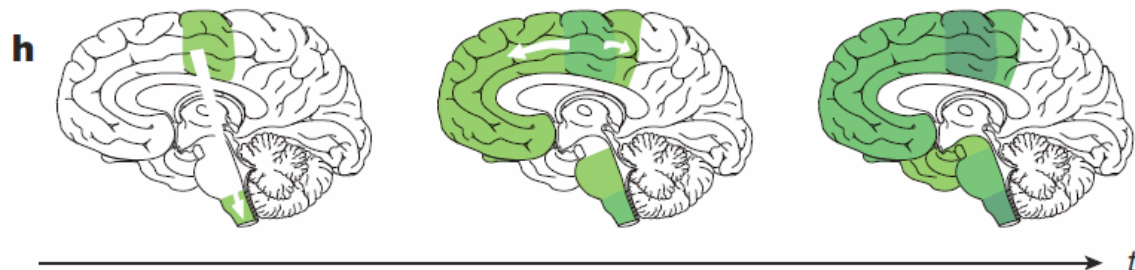
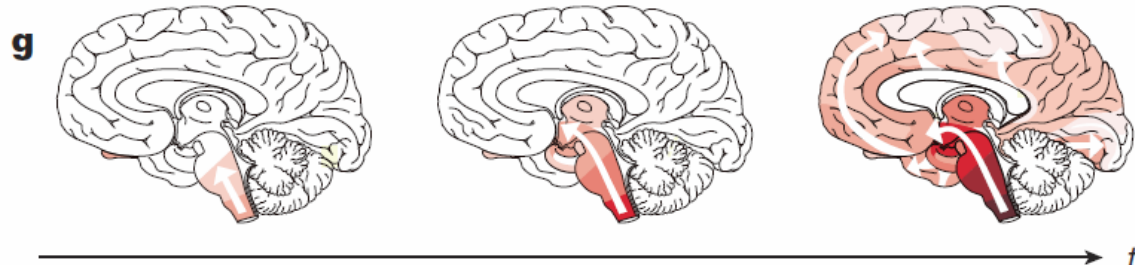
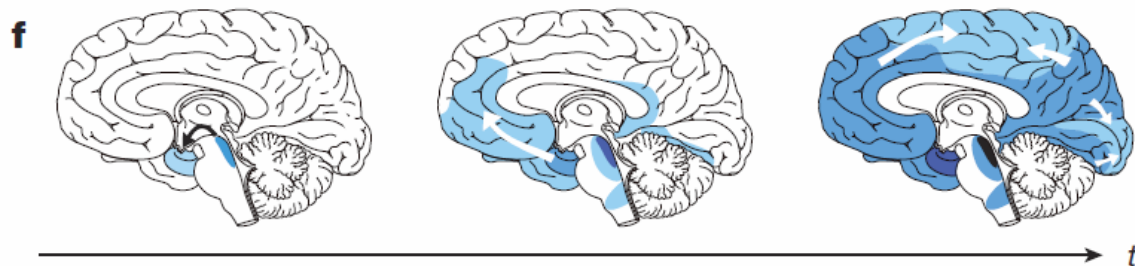
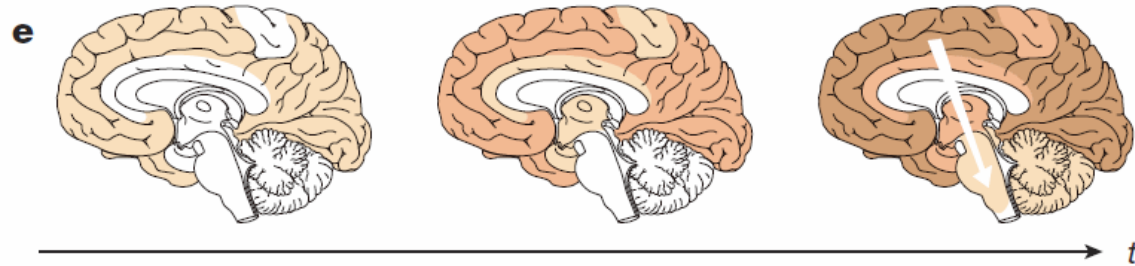
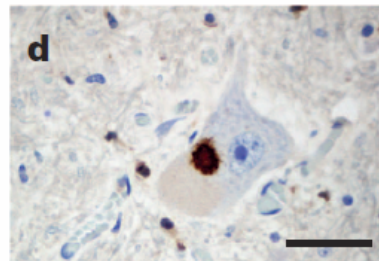
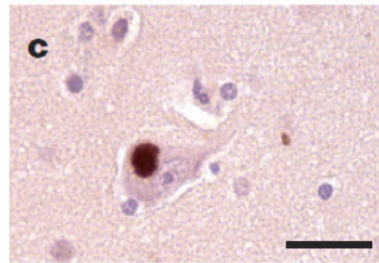
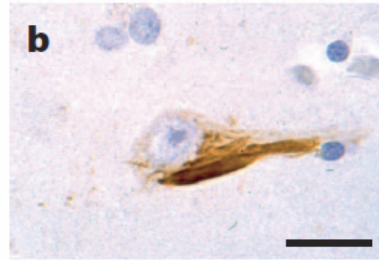
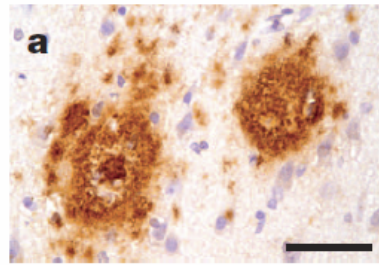


Immunoteràpia anti-tau

- ▶ Primera vacunació en el model de ratolí JNPL3-P301L amb tau fosfopèptid de 30 aa incloent P_{Ser} 396 i 404 (Asuni 2007)
- ▶ Immunització passiva amb m-Ab PHF1, que reconeix P_{Ser} 396 i 404 de tau
- ▶ AADvac1: vacuna contra epítops de tau que regulen interacció tau-tau (interregulatory domains tau-tau interaction) o punts d'unió entre oligòmers de tau evitant la seva agregació o polimerització (NCT02031198,
- ▶ NCT01850238: fase I, **ongoing**)

Self-propagation of pathogenic protein aggregates in neurodegenerative diseases

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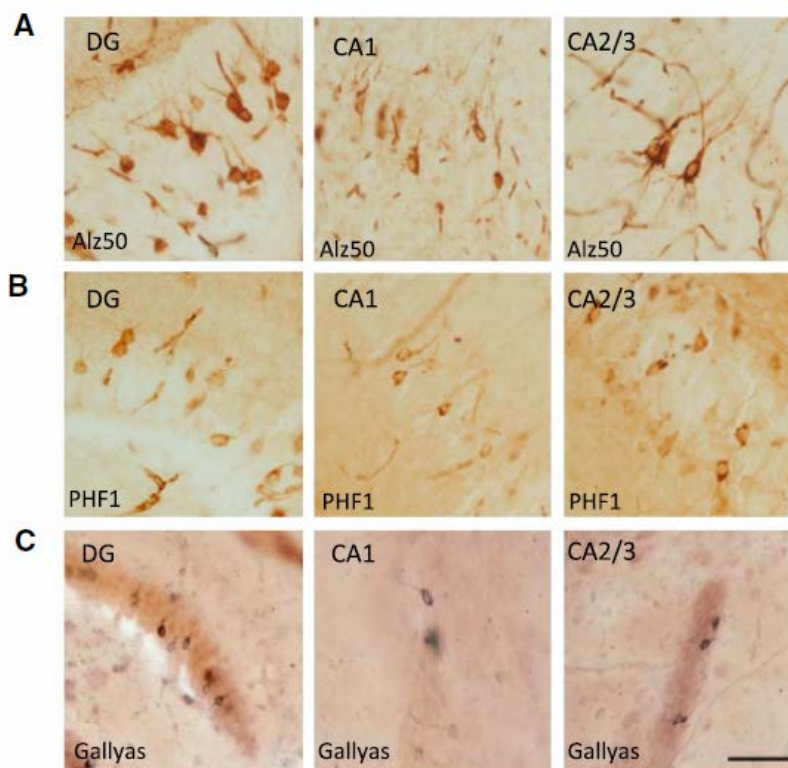
Propagation of Tau Pathology in a Model of Early Alzheimer's Disease

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Anti-Tau Seeding and In

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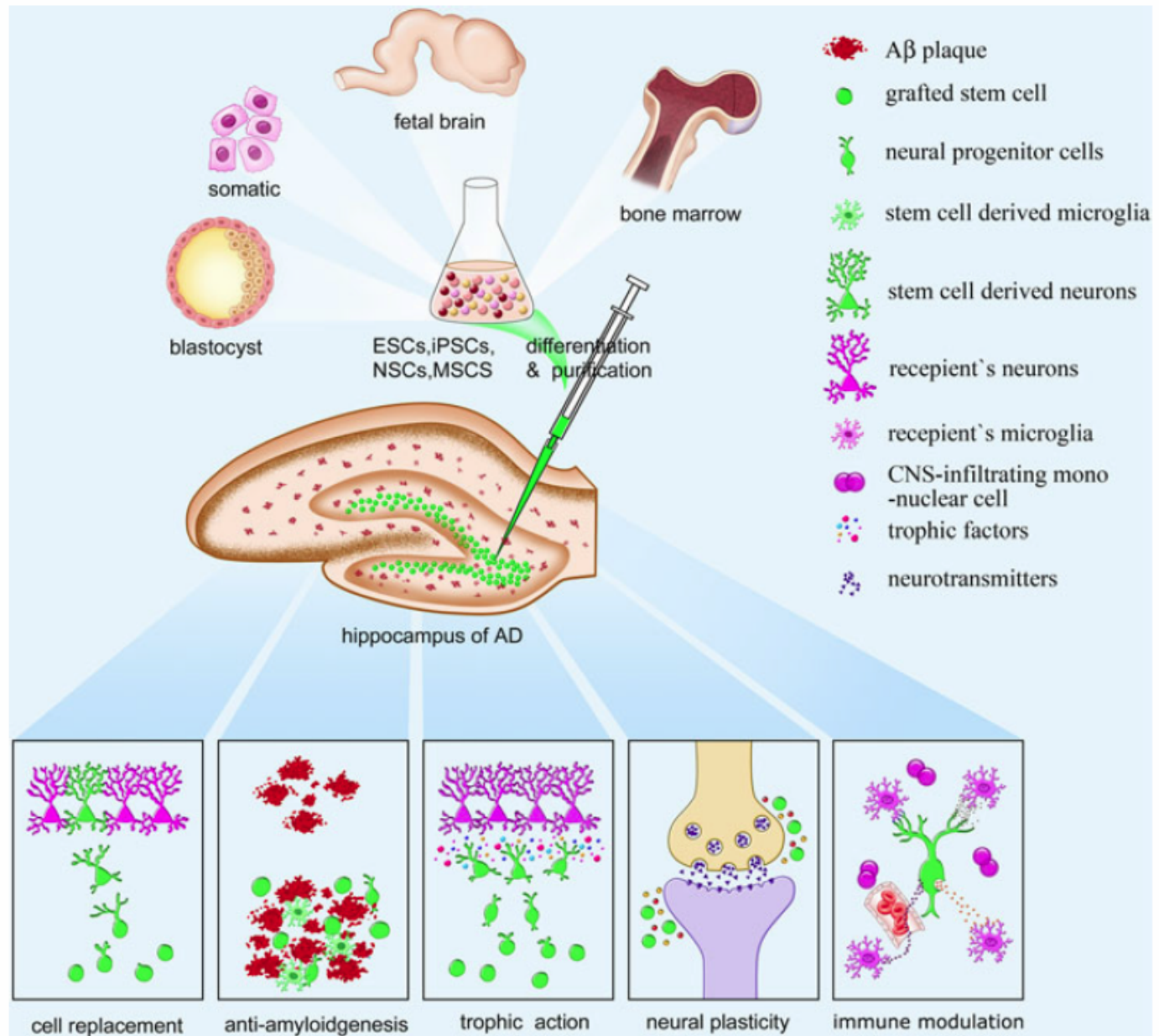
Stem-Cell Challenges in the Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease: A Long Way from Bench to Bedside

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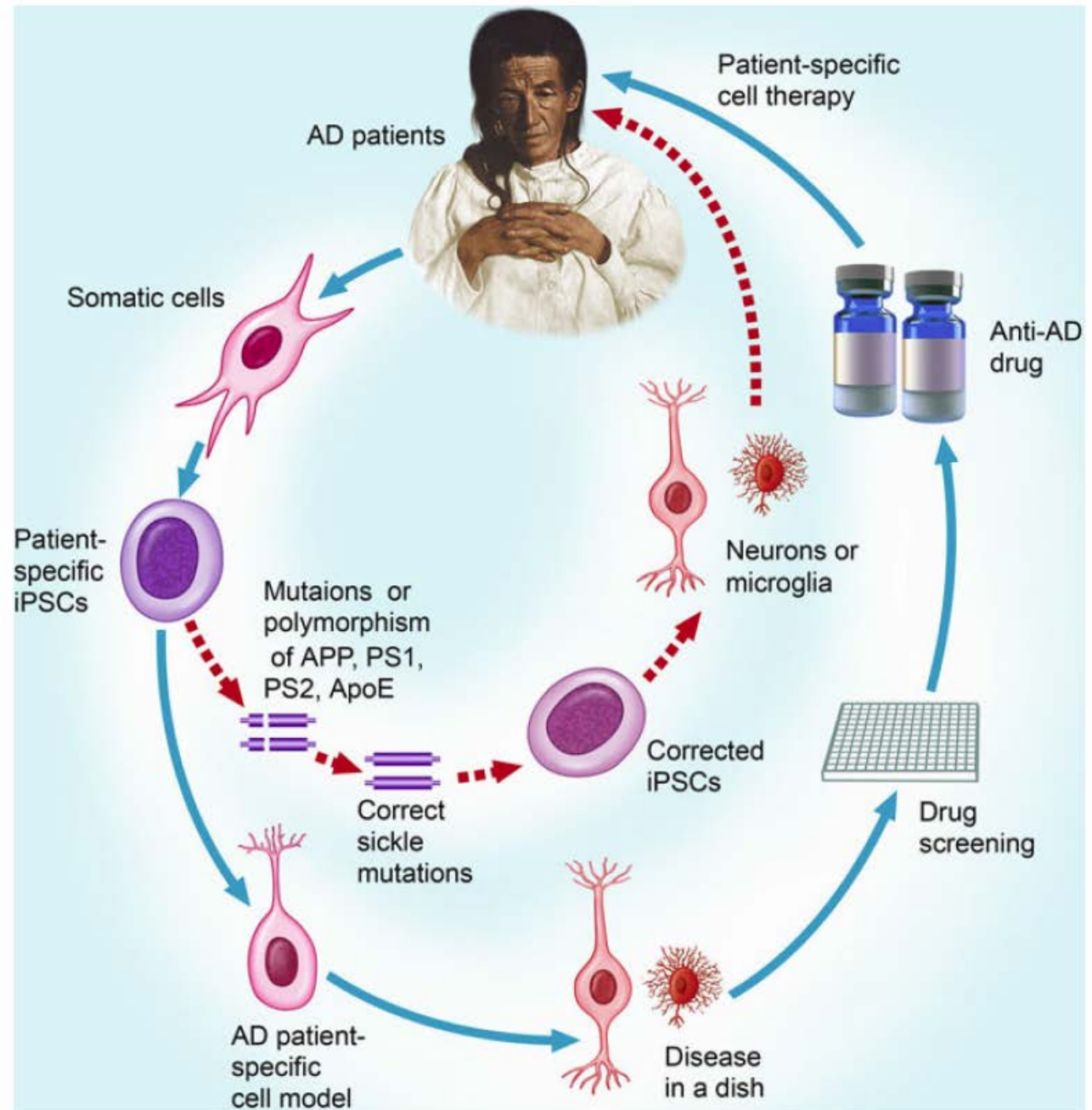
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- ▶ CM específiques de teixit
 - ▶ Neuronals
 - ▶ Mesenquimals (medul·la òssia, cordó umbilical)
 - ▶ Embrionàries (blastocists)

- ▶ CM pluripotencials induïdes (iPSC) reprogramades des de cèl·lules somàtiques:
 - ▶ Es poden obtenir de fibroblasts autòlegs
 - ▶ Poden generar tipus cel·lulars de les 3 capes germinals
 - ▶ Gran capacitat de proliferació amb menor tumorigènesi



STEM-CELL CHALLENGES IN AD



Resum

- ▶ Estudi LipidiDiet (Souvenaid[®]) en MA prodròmica (juny 2015).
- ▶ Scarlet RoAD (Gantenerumab) en MA prodròmica (des 2015).
- ▶ Estudi AMBAR (plasmafèresi + Ig) (des 2016).
- ▶ Estudis EXPEDITION EXT i EXPEDITION 3 (Solanezumab). MA amb MMSE >20 (nov 2018).
- ▶ Prevention Trial Studies DIAN-TU (2017), A4 (2020), API (2020).
- ▶ Vacunes anti-A β (fases I i II). Vacuna anti-tau AADvacI (fase I).
- ▶ Bloqueig transinàptic de tau, cèl.lules mare... (animals)

A practical algorithm for managing Alzheimer's disease: what, when, and why?

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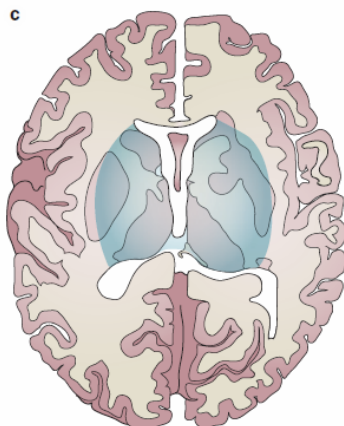
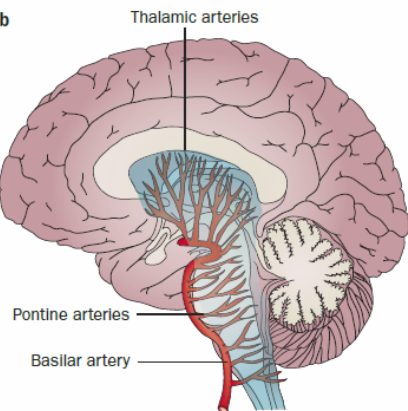
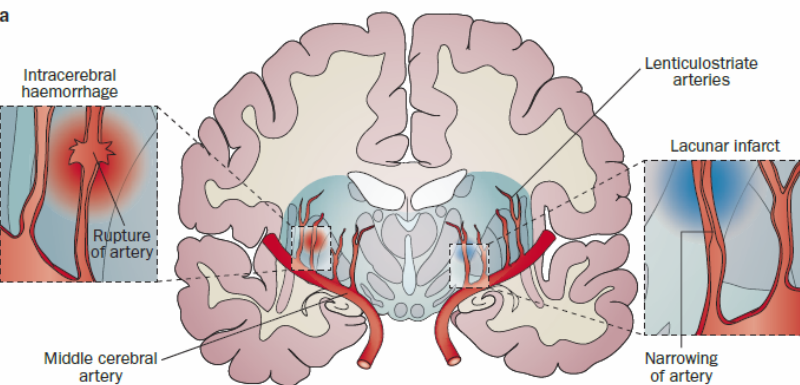
Box 1. *Recommendations for maintaining brain health in elderly patients with and without AD*

- Consider following a Mediterranean-style diet, with fish, vegetables, legumes, fruit, cereals, unsaturated fatty acids (e.g., olive oil), and a limited amount of meat or dairy products.
- Consider taking supplements containing omega-3 (particularly docosahexaenoic acid), B-complex vitamins (including B12, B6, folic acid), and vitamin E.
- Keep alcohol intake to a low-to-moderate level (e.g., one glass of wine per day with dinner).
- Engage in regular physical activity.
- Maintain leisure and social activities – keep socially engaged.
- Continue or take up activities that help to stimulate the brain, e.g., Tai Chi, dancing, puzzles.
- Become educated about AD and seek support from others with AD, e.g., the Alzheimer's Association, Alzheimer's Foundation of America, Keep Memory Alive, and other community groups.
- Include music in daily life – listening to music, playing an instrument, singing.
- Maintain regular sleep patterns.
- Manage stress – stop doing things if they are becoming too stressful (e.g., volunteer work, answering the telephone), keep to a regular daily schedule, include relaxing activities (e.g., playing with pets, massage, and aromatherapy).

Antihypertensive treatment can prevent stroke and cognitive decline

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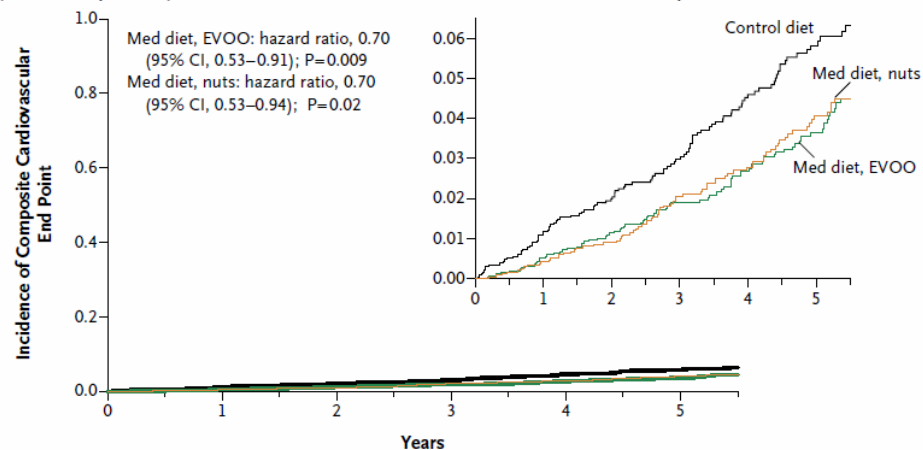
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Primary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease with a Mediterranean Diet

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A Primary End Point (acute myocardial infarction, stroke, or death from cardiovascular causes)

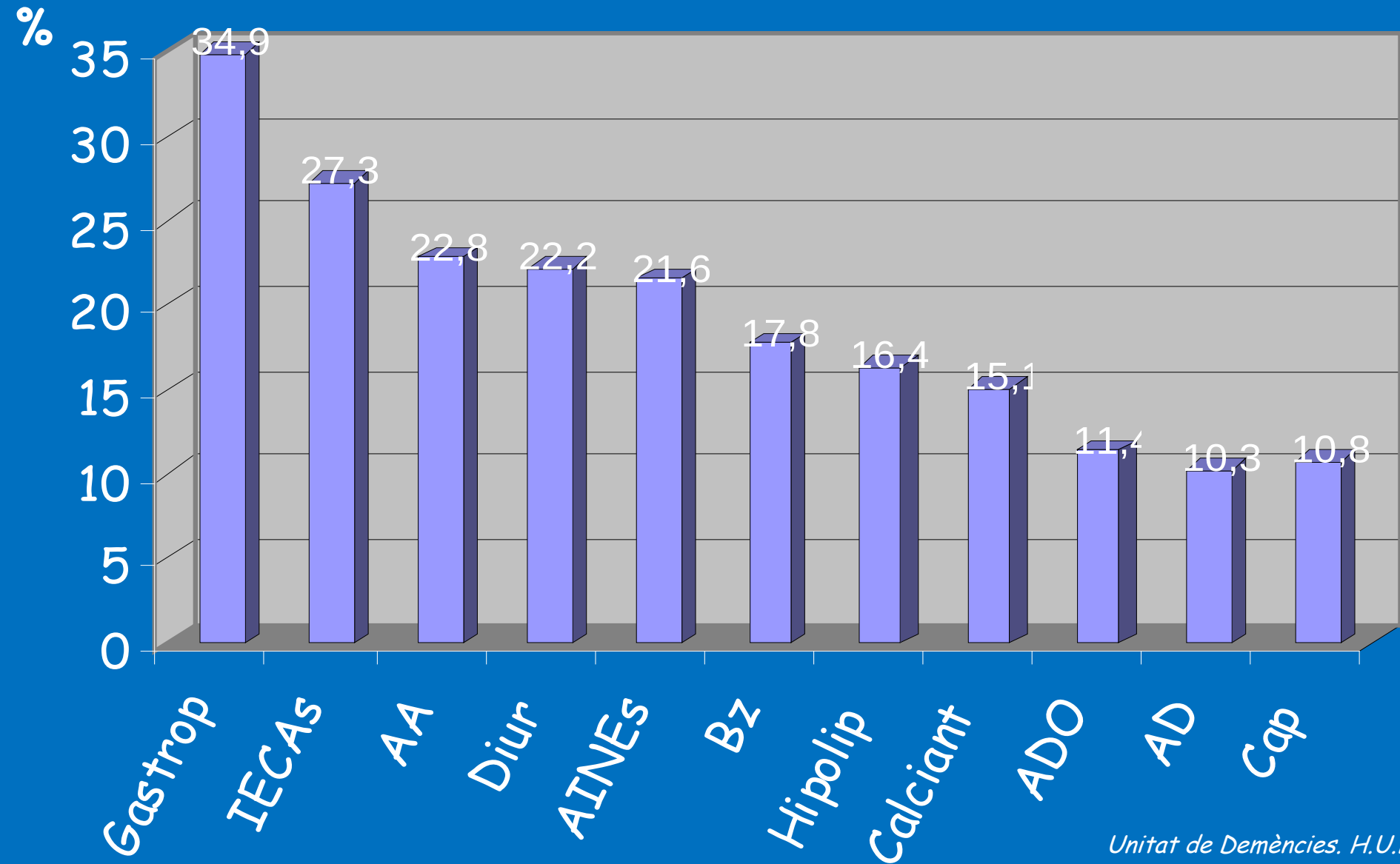


No. at Risk

Control diet	2450	2268	2020	1583	1268	946
Med diet, EVOO	2543	2486	2320	1987	1687	1310
Med diet, nuts	2454	2343	2093	1657	1389	1031

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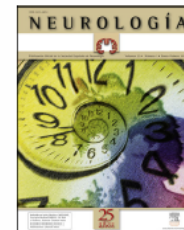
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Estadio evolutivo de los pacientes con enfermedad de Alzheimer que acuden a la consulta especializada en España. Estudio EACE[☆]

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PALABRAS CLAVE

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Resumen

Introducción: Estamos asistiendo a un cambio en el paradigma del diagnóstico de la enfermedad de Alzheimer (EA), de modo que tiende a realizarse en fases más precoces de la evolución, incluso antes de la aparición del síndrome completo de demencia. En nuestro entorno no se conoce en qué situación clínica se está realizando el diagnóstico de la EA. Por ese motivo, se ha llevado a cabo este estudio, para describir el estadio evolutivo de los pacientes con EA en el momento del diagnóstico.

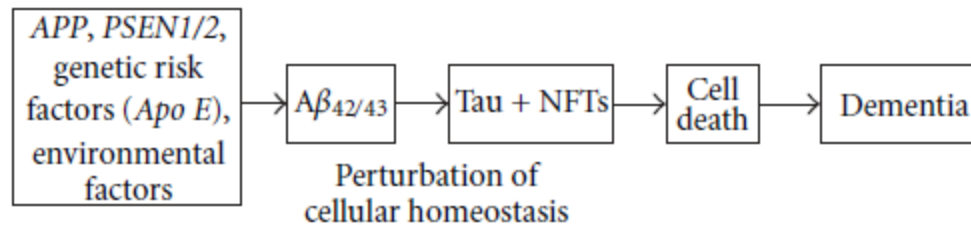
Métodos: Estudio multicéntrico, observacional y transversal. Se incluyeron pacientes que cumplieran criterios NINCDS-ARDRA de EA probable, atendidos en consultas de Atención Especializada en España. Se recogieron los datos sobre los tiempos asistenciales y de evolución de la EA según el MMSE, el cuestionario NPI y la escala CDR.

Resultados: Participaron 437 especialistas de todas las Comunidades Autónomas, que incluyeron un total de 1.707 pacientes, de los cuales 1.694 fueron incluidos en el análisis. La puntuación media del MMSE fue de $17,6 \pm 4,8$ (IC 95%: 17,4-17,9). El 64% de los pacientes presentaban deterioro cognitivo moderado (MMSE entre 10 y 20) y el 6% grave (MMSE < 10). El tiempo medio desde los primeros síntomas hasta la primera consulta a Atención Primaria fue de $10,9 \pm 17,2$ meses (IC 95%: 9,9-11,8), y hasta el diagnóstico de la EA fue de $28,4 \pm 21,3$ meses.

Conclusiones: Los resultados del EACE ponen de manifiesto que en nuestro entorno la mayor parte de los pacientes con EA acuden a Atención especializada en un estado evolutivo moderado.

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