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11:30-13:00 h

SALA DE CONFERENCIAS 10+11

**MESA REDONDA 15
ENFERMEDADES NEURODEGENERATIVAS
/ DEMENCIAS
NOVEDADES Y CONTROVERSIAS EN EL
TRATAMIENTO**

Demencias degenerativas no Alzheimer

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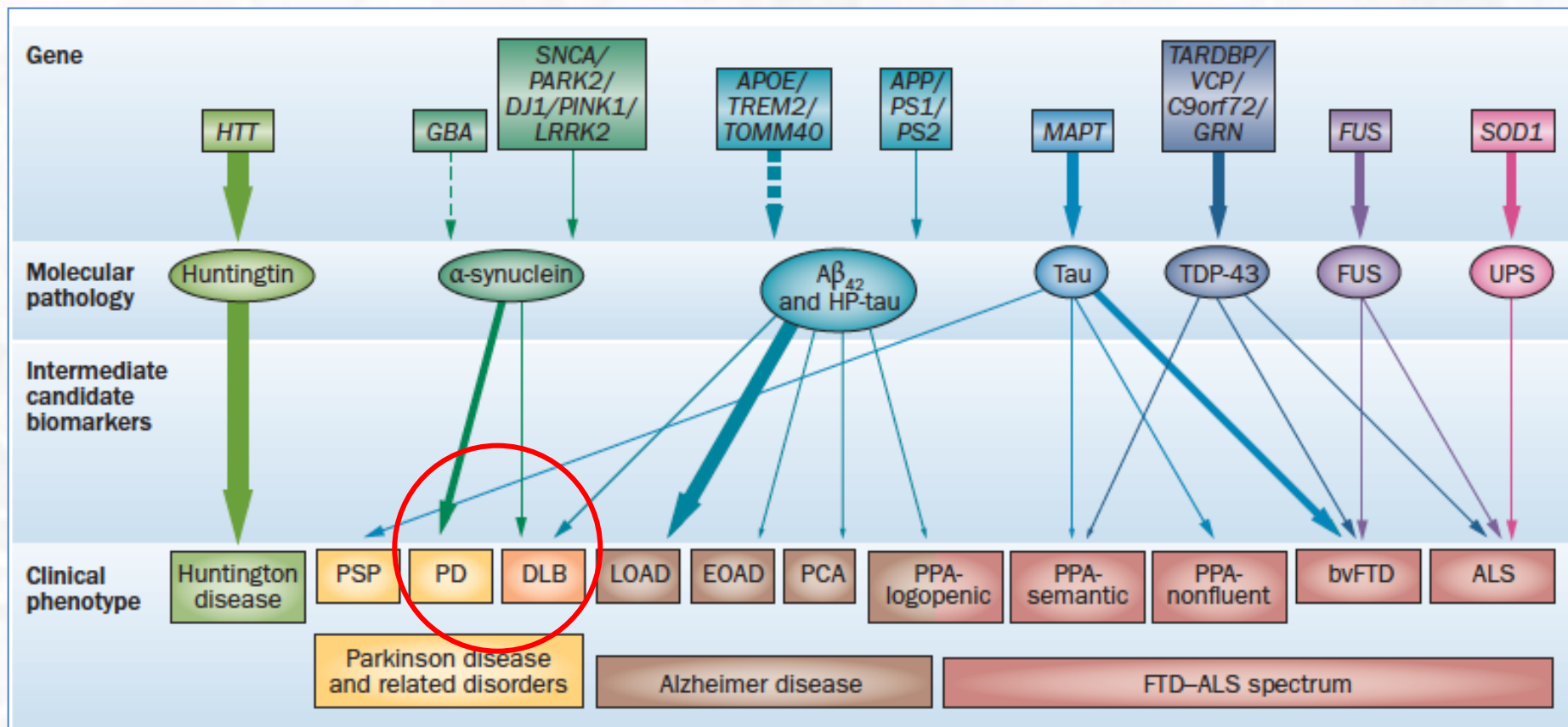
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Demencia con cuerpos de Lewy

- Segunda causa de demencia neurodegenerativa en el anciano
- En series patológicas la demencia con cuerpos de Lewy supone de un 15-25% de los casos de demencia.
- Esas mismas series ponen de manifiesto que con frecuencia los cambios patológicos de la demencia con cuerpos de Lewy y los de la enfermedad de Alzheimer coexisten en un mismo paciente:
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Enfermedad con cuerpos de Lewy

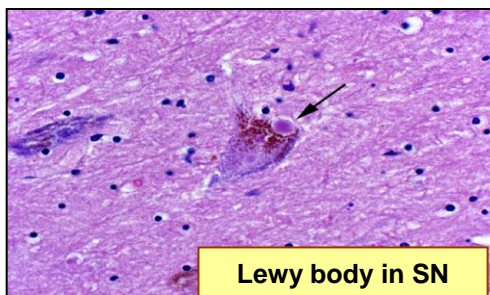


Fritz Heinrich Lewy (1885–1950)

Fritz Heinrich Lewy, 1912

Describió unas inclusiones eosinofílicas citoplasmáticas en pacientes con parálisis agitante

Third report of the DLB consortium
McKeith et al.
Neurology 2005



Lewy body in SN (40x)



1 (mild) 2 (moderate) 3 (severe) 4 (very severe)

Lewy body type pathology	Brainstem regions			Basal forebrain/limbic regions				Neocortical regions		
	IX-X	LC	SN	nbM	Amygdala	Transentorhinal	Cingulate	Temporal	Frontal	Parietal
Brainstem-predominant	1-3	1-3	1-3	0-2	0-2	0-1	0-1	0	0	0
Limbic (transitional)	1-3	1-3	1-3	2-3	2-3	1-3	1-3	0-2	0-1	0
Diffuse neocortical	1-3	1-3	1-3	2-3	3-4	2-4	2-4	2-3	1-3	0-2

Lewy body type pathology	Alzheimer type pathology		
	NIA-Reagan Low (Braak stage 0–II)	NIA-Reagan Intermediate (Braak stage III–IV)	NIA-Reagan High (Braak stage V–VI)
Brainstem-predominant	Low	Low	Low
Limbic (transitional)	High	Intermediate	Low
Diffuse neocortical	High	High	Intermediate



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Criteria for the diagnosis of probable DLB

- Cognitive decline sufficient to interfere with social / occupational function
- CORE features:
 - Fluctuation
 - Recurrent visual hallucinations
 - Spontaneous parkinsonism
- Suggestive features:
 - REM sleep behaviour disorder
 - Neuroleptic sensitivity
 - Dopaminergic abnormalities in basal ganglia on SPECT / PET

**Two features (one must be core)
for probable DLB**

**One feature (core or suggestive)
for possible DLB**

Enfermedad con cuerpos de Lewy

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consortium
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Neurology 2005

Supportive features (commonly present but not proven to have diagnostic specificity)

- Repeated falls and syncope
- Transient, unexplained loss of consciousness
- Severe autonomic dysfunction, e.g., orthostatic hypotension, urinary incontinence
- Hallucinations in other modalities
- Systematized delusions
- Depression
- Relative preservation of medial temporal lobe structures on CT/MRI scan
- Generalized low uptake on SPECT/PET perfusion scan with reduced occipital activity
- Abnormal (low uptake) MIBG myocardial scintigraphy
- Prominent slow wave activity on EEG with temporal lobe transient sharp waves



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Classical AD
(Cortical disease)

DLB
(LB disorder with
subcortical and
cortical involvement)

PDD
(disorder originating
in nbM and other
subcortical nuclei
reaching to cortex)

DEMENTIA SPECTRUM



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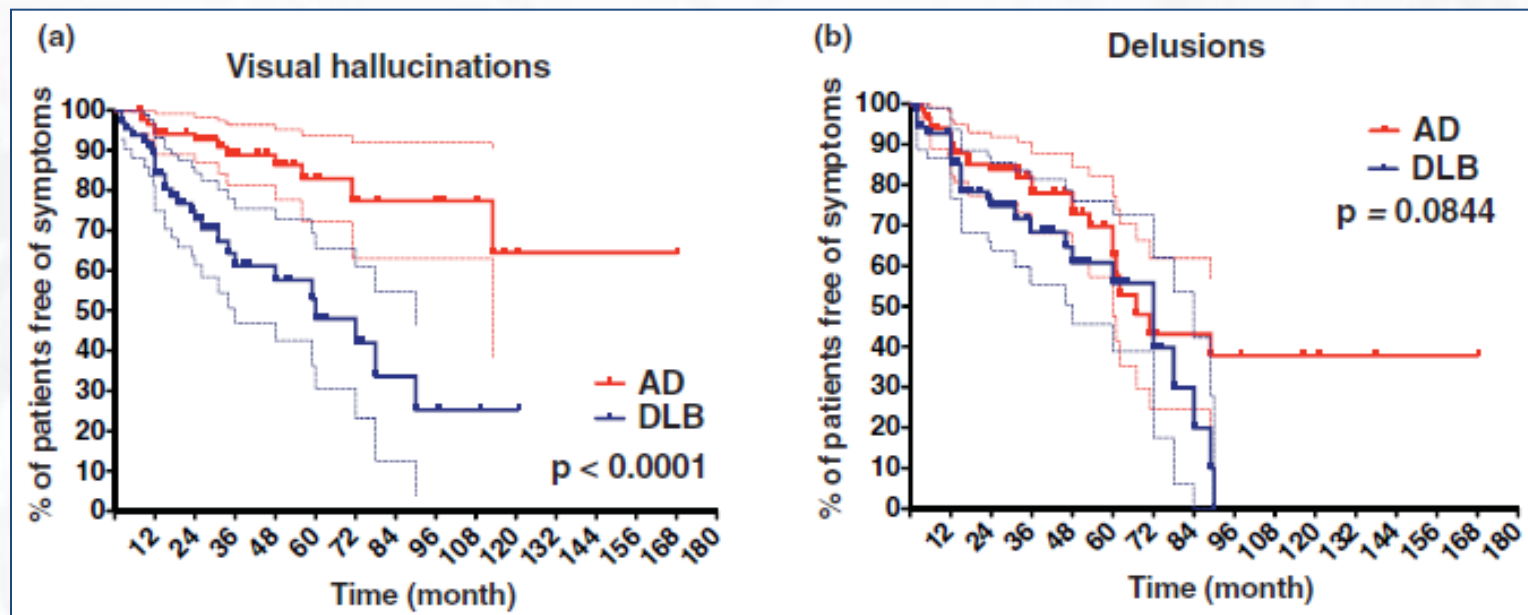
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Utility of neuropsychiatric tools in the differential diagnosis of dementia with Lewy bodies and Alzheimer's disease: quantitative and qualitative findings

Suárez-González, A et al. **International Psychogeriatrics (2014)**,26:3, 453–461

Survival free of visual hallucinations and
delusions in DLB and AD



Neuropsychiatric tools are useful to discriminate DLB from AD. Hallucinations and delusions are not only more frequent in DLB than in AD but also have distinct qualitative characteristics and patterns of progression that can help clinicians to make a more accurate differential diagnosis.



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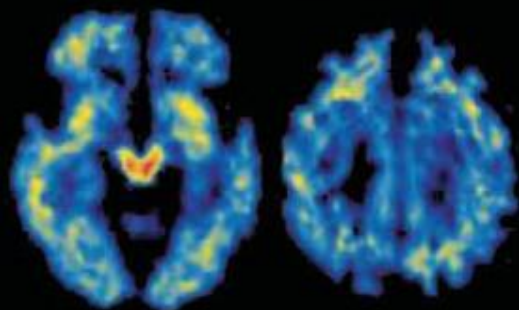
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Imaging amyloid deposition in Lewy body diseases

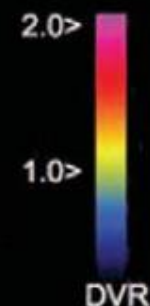
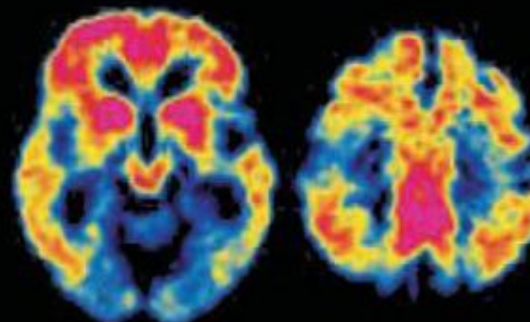
Gomperts S, et al. *Neurology* 2008;71:903–910

Amyloid Burden (PIB)

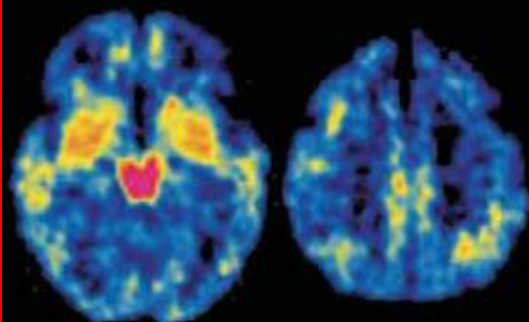
Normal aging



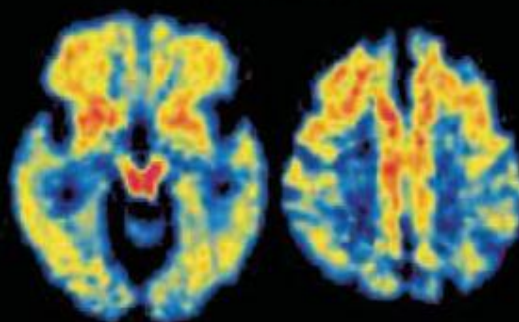
Alzheimer disease



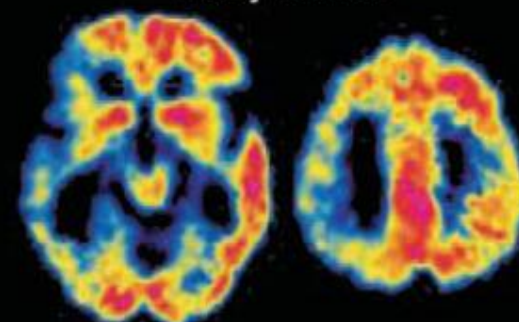
Parkinson disease



Parkinson disease
dementia



Dementia with
Lewy bodies





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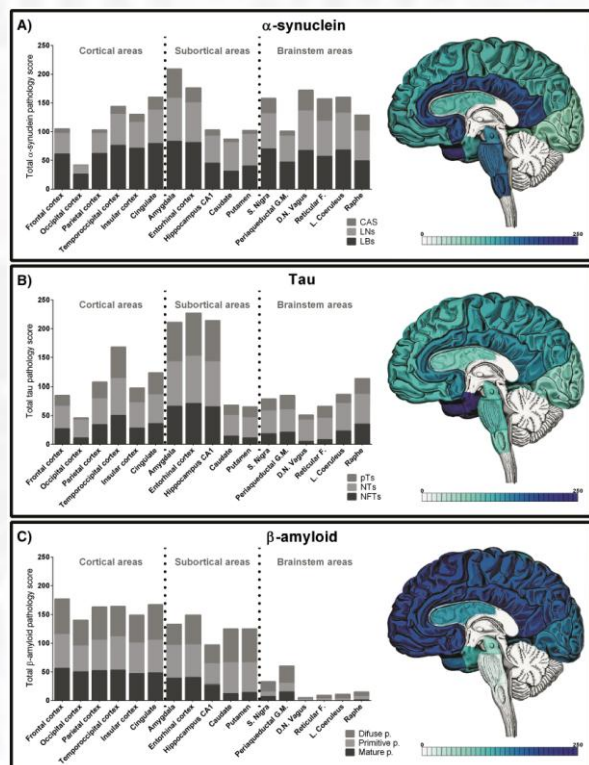
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Confluence of α -Synuclein, Tau, and β -Amyloid Pathologies in Dementia With Lewy Bodies Colom-Cadena M et al. *J Neuropathol Exp Neurol*, December 2013;72,12:1203-1212



22 patients met clinical and neuropathologic criteria for DLB.

-Total β -amyloid pathology correlated positively with total α -synuclein pathology

-The factors that correlated best with the amount of α -synuclein pathology were the severity of α -amyloid pathology and presence of the MAPT H1 haplotype.

-Tau and α -synuclein frequently colocalized in limbic areas, but no correlation between total pathology scores was observed.

This study confirms and extends the role of β -amyloid deposition and the MAPT H1 haplotype as contributing factors in DLB pathogenesis and demonstrates the confluence of multiple agents in neurodegenerative diseases.



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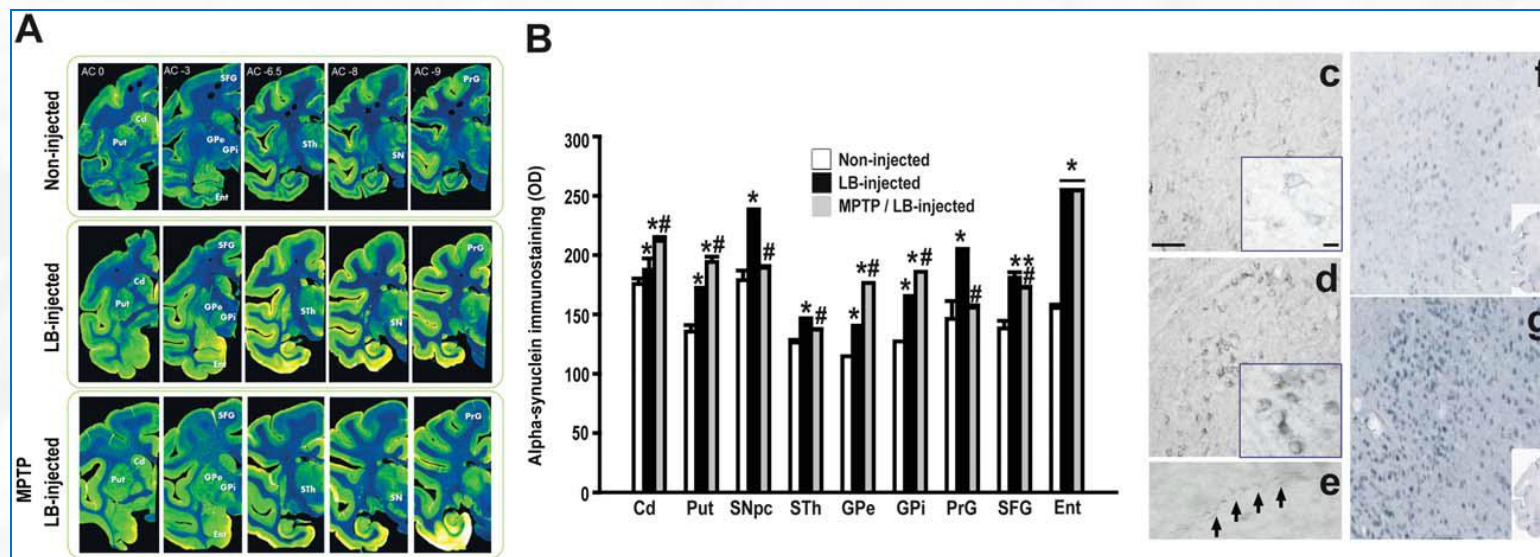
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Lewy Body Extracts from Parkinson Disease Brains Trigger α -Synuclein Pathology and Neurodegeneration in Mice and Monkeys

Recasens A et al. **ANN NEUROL** 2014;75:351–362

α -Synuclein pathology in Lewy bodies - injected monkeys



α -Synuclein species contained in PD-derived LB are pathogenic and have the capacity to initiate a PD-like pathological process, including intracellular and presynaptic accumulations of pathological α -synuclein in different brain areas and slowly progressive axon-initiated dopaminergic nigrostriatal neurodegeneration.

Tratamiento DCLewy

- Parkinsonismo
 - Levodopa
- Síntomas neuropsiquiátricos
 - Anticolinesterásicos (rivastigmina)
 - Antipsicóticos atípicos (quetiapina) (dosis mínima eficaz)
- Disfunción cognitiva
 - Anticolinesterásicos (rivastigmina)
- REM sleep behaviour disorder
 - Clonazepam 0,25mg/noche



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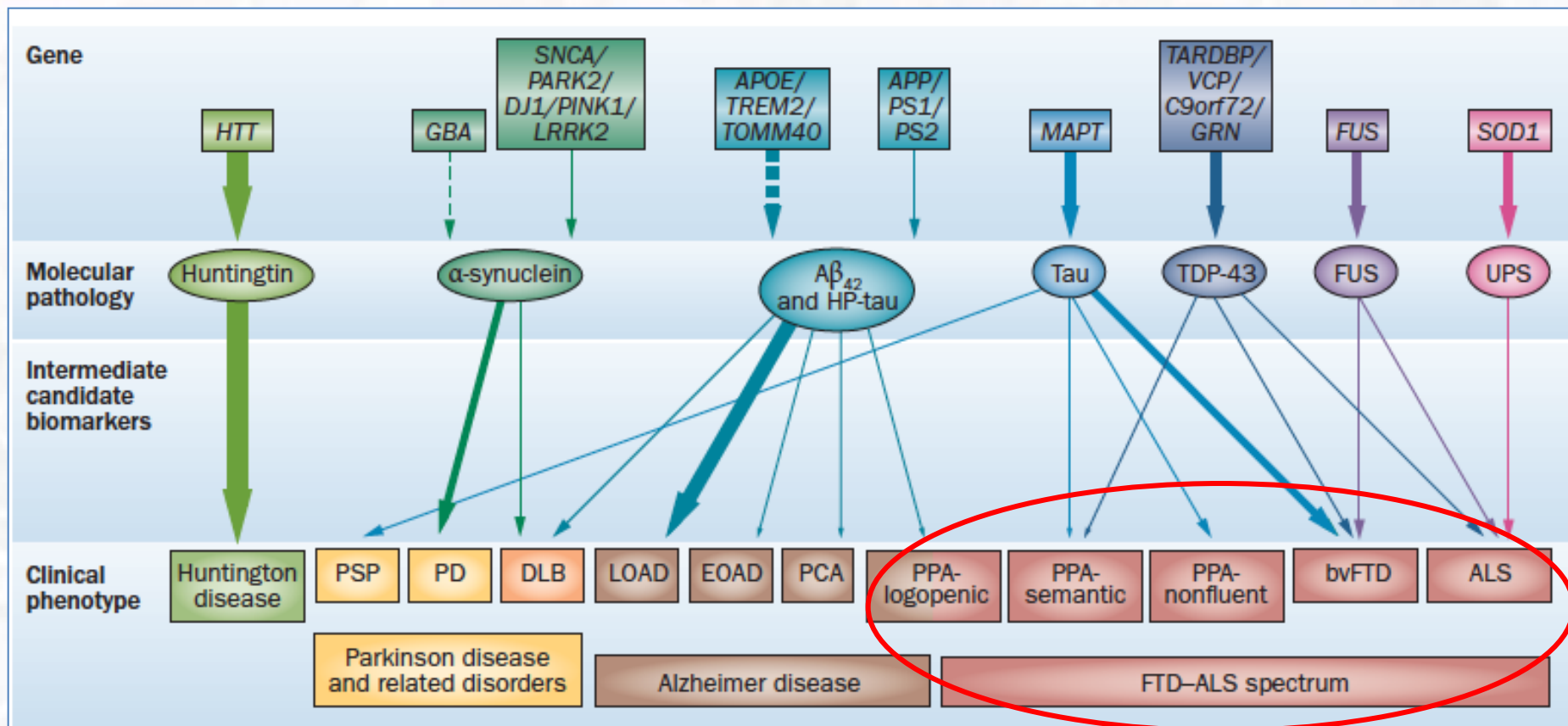
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Demencia Lobular Fronto-temporal

- 2ª causa de demencia en personas <65 años.
 - Frecuentemente 45-65 (rango:21-85 a)
- Duración de la enfermedad: 6-8 a. (3 a. si existen signos de motoneurona)
- Historia familiar frecuente: alrededor 40%.
- Síntomas de presentación:
 - Alteraciones **conductuales**: Cambios de personalidad.
 - Alteraciones del **lenguaje**: anomia, pérdida del significado de las palabras, reducción de la fluencia.



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EPIDEMIOLOGY

- Prevalence studies**

Study	Country	x/100.000 (edad: 45-64)
Ratnavalli E et al. Neurology 2002	Cambridge, UK	~ 15 (8.4-27.0)
Rosso SM et al. Brain 2003	Zoid-Holland	~ 4 (2.8-5.7)
Harvey RJ et al. JNNP 2003.	London boroughs, UK	~ 15.4
Borroni B et al. J Alzheimer Dis 2010	Brescia, Italy	~ 22 (17-27)



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Criteria for the diagnosis of frontotemporal lobar degeneration (FTLD)

Brun A, et al. *J Neurol Neurosurg Psychiatry* 1994;57:416–18

- **FTLD** is a group of **neurodegenerative diseases** that share the common feature of focal, **lobar progressive degeneration and atrophy**
- Three main clinical syndromes:
 - **Behavioural variant**, frontal lobe syndrome, frontal lobe dementia
 - **Language syndromes**
 - Progressive non-fluent aphasia
 - Semantic dementia
 - **Motor syndromes**
 - Progressive apraxia
 - Corticobasal degeneration / progressive supranuclear palsy
- All syndromes may present **with or without motor neuron disease (MND)**
- All syndromes may present **with or without parkinsonism**
- All syndromes may be **sporadic or familial**



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FTLD: Behavioural variant

- Insidious onset of progressive changes in personality and behavioural abnormalities
 - Loss of personal/social awareness, lack of empathy, self-centeredness, emotional coldness, decreased concern
 - Poor insight
 - Disinhibition, impulsivity, antisocial behaviour
 - Distractibility, restlessness, pressured speech, irritability, aggressiveness, violent outbursts
 - Verbal inappropriateness, sexual comments/gestures
 - Stereotyped perseverative behaviours and language, compulsions
 - Euphoria, jocularity, exaggerated self-esteem
 - Apathy, emotional withdrawal, mutism
 - Dietary changes, craving for sweets
 - Executive dysfunction



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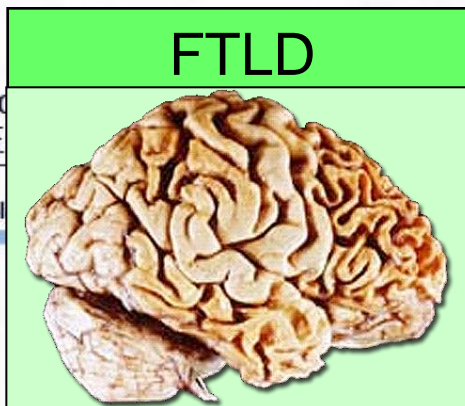
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BEHAVIOURAL FTD (bvFTD)

Core diagnostic features:

- A. Insidious onset and gradual progression
- B. Early decline in social interpersonal conduct
- C. Early impairment in regulation of personal conduct
- D. Early emotional blunting
- E. Early loss of insight

57%

SEMANTIC DEMENTIA (SD)

Core diagnostic features:

- A. Insidious onset and gradual progression
- B. Language Disorder characterized by
 - 1. Progressive, fluent, empty spontaneous speech
 - 2. Loss of word meaning, manifest by impaired naming
 - 3. Semantic paraphasias and/or
- C. Perceptual disorder characterized by
 - 1. Prosopagnosia: impaired recognition of identity of familiar faces.
 - 2. Associative agnosia: impaired recognition of object identity

19%

PRIMARY PROGRESSIVE NON-FLUENT APHASIA (PNFA)

Core diagnostic features:

- A. Insidious onset and gradual progression
- B. Nonfluent spontaneous speech with at least one of the following: agrammatism, phonemic paraphasias, anomia

24%

PARKINSONISM

14%

MOTOR NEURON DISEASE

4-17%



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FTLD: Progressive non-fluent aphasia

- Insidious onset and gradual impairment of word finding, object naming, syntax, or word comprehension
 - All major limitations in activities of daily living can be attributed to the language impairment for at least two years after onset
 - Premorbid language function is known to be intact
 - Prominent apathy, disinhibition, loss of memory of recent events, visuospatial impairment, visual-recognition deficits, and sensory-motor dysfunction are absent during the initial two years of illness
 - Acalculia and ideomotor apraxia can be present; deficits in copying simple drawings and perseveration may also be noted
 - Other cognitive functions may be affected after the first two years of illness,
 - Specific causes of aphasia, are absent



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FTLD: Semantic dementia

Insidious onset and gradual progression of:

- Language disorder characterized by
 - Progressive, fluent, empty spontaneous speech
 - Loss of word meaning, manifested by impaired naming and comprehension
 - Semantic paraphasias and/or
- Perceptual disorder characterized by
 - Prosopagnosia: impaired recognition of identity of familiar faces and/or
 - Associative agnosia: impaired recognition of object identity
- Preserved perceptual matching and drawing reproduction
- Preserved single-word repetition
- Preserved ability to read aloud and write to dictation orthographically regular words

Neary D, et al. *Neurology* 1998;51:1546–54.



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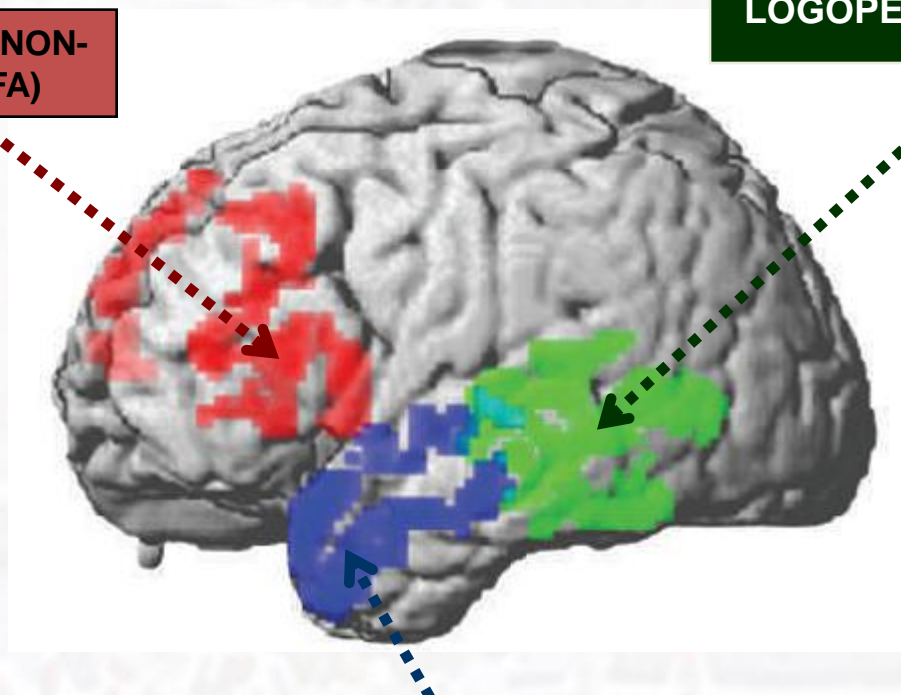
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PRIMARY PROGRESSIVE APHASIA (PPA)

**PRIMARY PROGRESSIVE NON-
FLUENT APHASIA (PNFA)**

LOGOPENIC APHASIA (LPA)



SEMANTIC DEMENTIA (SD)

**Primary progressive aphasia: clinicopathological correlations
Grossman M. Nat Rev Neurol 2010**



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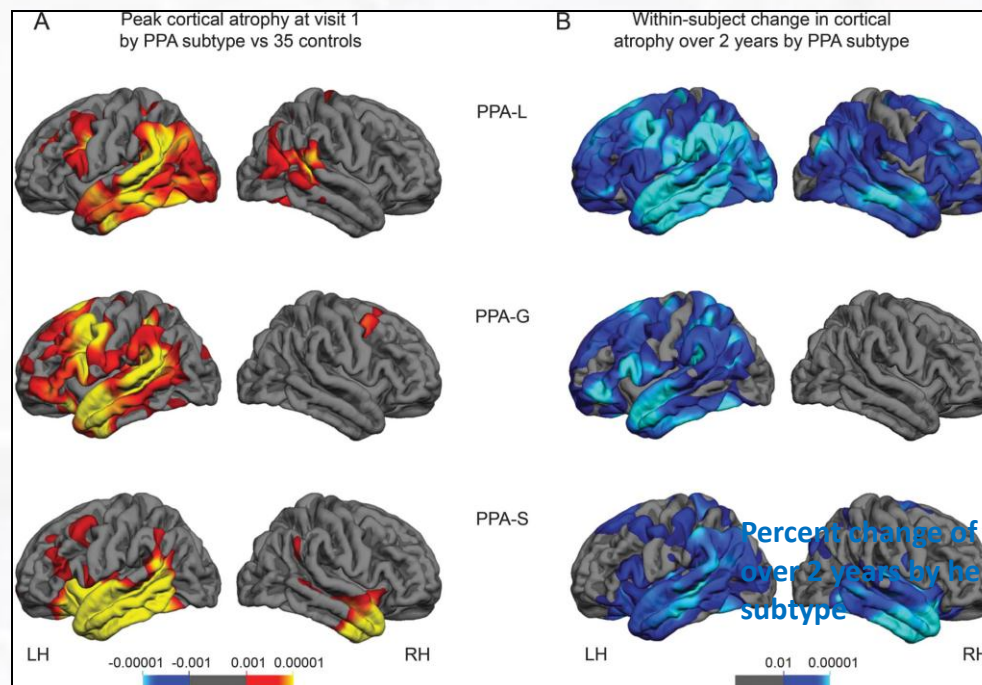
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Asymmetry of cortical decline in subtypes of primary progressive aphasia.

Rogalski E et al. **Neurology**, September 23, 2014;83:1184–1191

Atrophy patterns by PPA subtype



Preferential neurodegeneration of the left hemisphere language network is a common denominator for all 3 PPA subtypes, even as the disease progresses.



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Primary progressive aphasia and the evolving neurology of the language network

Mesulam, M.-M. et al. **Nat. Rev. Neurol.** 2 September 2014; 10, 554–569

Comprehension	Good	Agrammatic (PPA-G) Syntax and the use of word endings that modify tense or number are abnormal. Phrase structure is impoverished. Fluency is usually low. Speech may be effortful and apraxic, and may contain word-finding hesitations. Repetition of phrases and sentences, and comprehension of syntactically complex sentences may be impaired but single-word comprehension is preserved. Naming may or may not be impaired. The left IFG is almost always a region of peak atrophy. The most common pathology is FTLD with tauopathy.	Logopenic (PPA-L) Word-retrieval pauses lead to variable loss of fluency, usually accompanied by anomia. In contrast to PPA-G, fluency may appear normal during small talk. Circumlocutions and phonemic paraphasias are common. Grammar and single-word comprehension are preserved. Patients in this quadrant can be divided into two groups on the basis of the integrity of repetition. The posterior (temporoparietal) part of the language network is a region of peak atrophy. The pathology is most commonly of the Alzheimer type.
	Poor	Mixed (PPA-M) The defining feature is the combination of comprehension and grammar impairments of nearly equal severity at relatively early stages of the disease. Peak atrophy sites are seen in the IFG as well as the ATL. The pathology is usually of the Alzheimer type.	Semantic (PPA-S) There is prominent impairment of single word comprehension. Naming is severely impaired and reflects word comprehension as well as retrieval failures. Grammar and repetition are preserved. Speech is vague and may contain semantic paraphasias and circumlocutions. Peak atrophy is located in the ATL. The pathology is usually FTLD-TDP of type C.
		Poor	Good
		Grammaticality	

The underlying neuropathology of PPA is, most commonly, frontotemporal lobar degeneration in the agrammatic and semantic forms, and AD pathology in the logopenic form; the AD pathology often displays atypical and asymmetrical anatomical features consistent with the aphasic phenotype.



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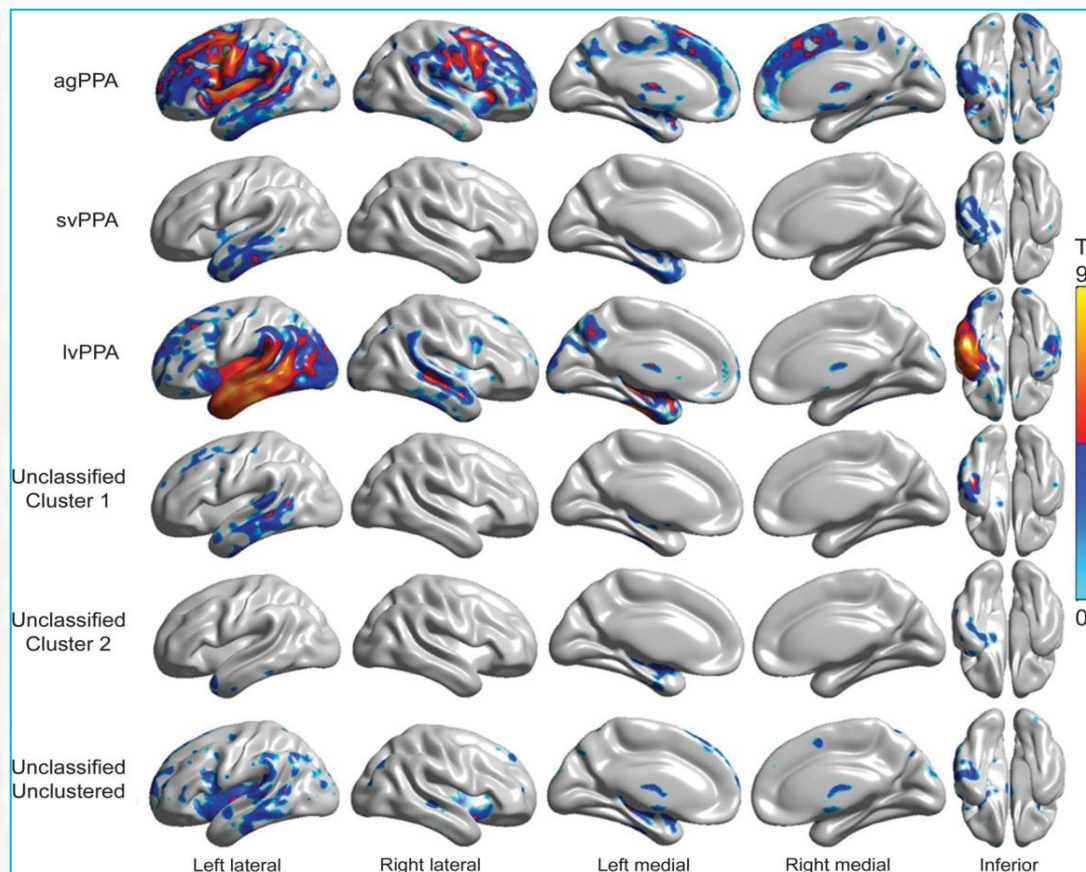


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Quantitative application of the primary progressive aphasia consensus criteria

Wicklund MR et al. **Neurology** April 1, 2014;82:1119–1126



Patterns of gray matter loss in each primary progressive aphasia (PPA) variant compared to healthy controls

Quantitative application of consensus PPA criteria yields the 3 syndromic variants but leaves a large proportion unclassified. Therefore, the current consensus criteria need to be modified in order to improve sensitivity



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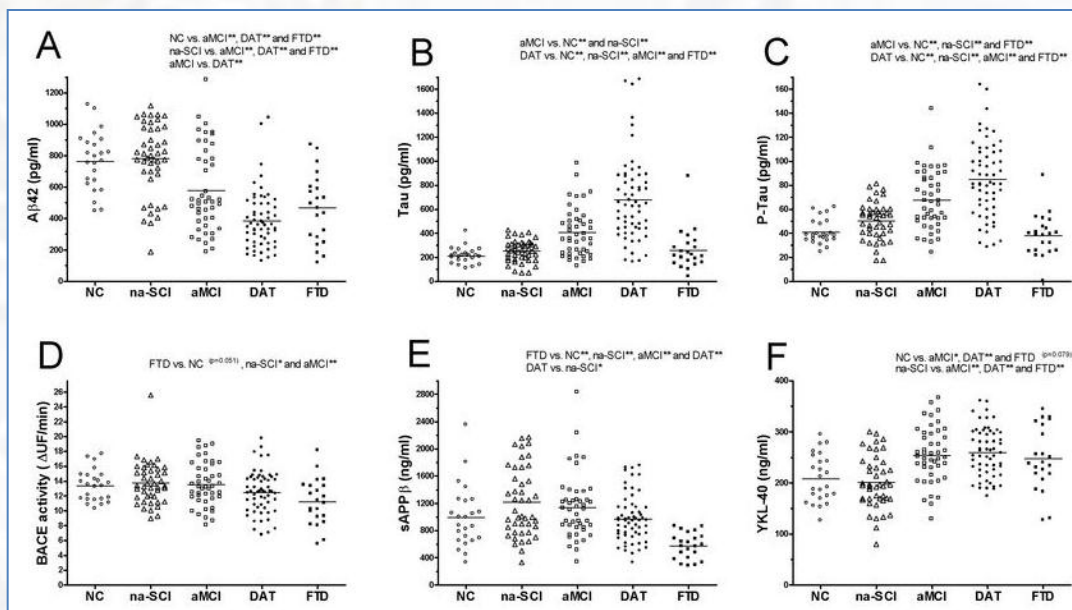
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Relationship Between β -Secretase, Inflammation and Core Cerebrospinal Fluid Biomarkers for Alzheimer's Disease

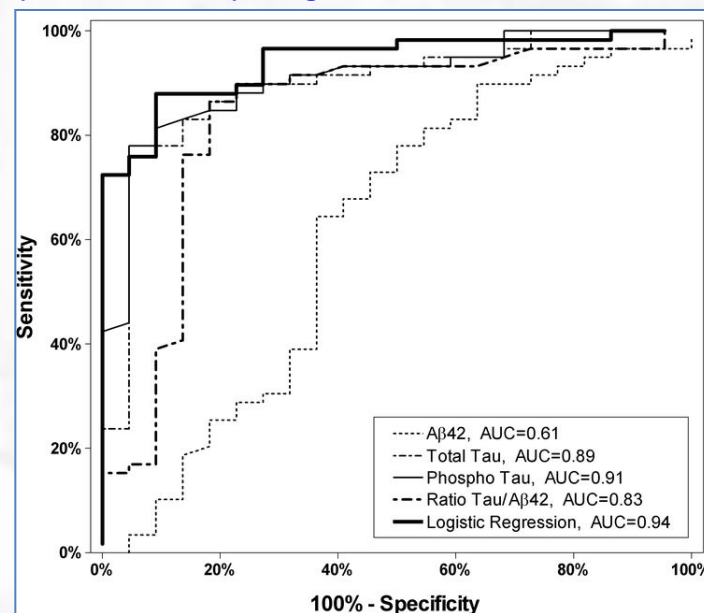
Alcolea D et al. **Journal of Alzheimer's Disease** 2014

Markers of APP processing neuronal damage, and inflammation in CSF from:
194 na-SCI, n = 44, aMCI, n = 45, DAT, n = 59, FTD, n = 22, and 24 normal controls.

Biomarker results across the different clinical groups



Classification of patients with dementia (DAT versus FTD) using six CSF biomarkers.





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FTLD: Motor syndromes – PSP

Progressive supranuclear palsy (PSP)

- Gradually progressive disorder
- Onset at age **40** or later
- Possible PSP: Either vertical (up or downward gaze) supranuclear palsy or both slowing of vertical saccades and prominent postural instability with falls in the first year of disease onset
- Probable PSP: Vertical (upward or downward gaze) supranuclear palsy and prominent postural instability with falls in the first year of disease onset
- No evidence of other diseases that could explain the above features



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FTLD: Motor syndromes – CBD

Corticobasal degeneration (CBD)

- Rigidity + one cortical sign (apraxia, cortical sensory loss or alien limb) or asymmetric rigidity, dystonia and focal reflex myoclonus
- Chronic progressive course; asymmetric onset; presence of: “higher” cortical dysfunction (apraxia, cortical sensory loss, or alien limb); **And**: akinetic rigid syndrome levodopa resistance, limb dystonia and reflex; focal myoclonus
- Exclusion criteria: Early dementia; early vertical gaze palsy; rest tremor; severe autonomic disturbances; sustained responsiveness to L-dopa; lesions on imaging studies indicating another pathologic condition



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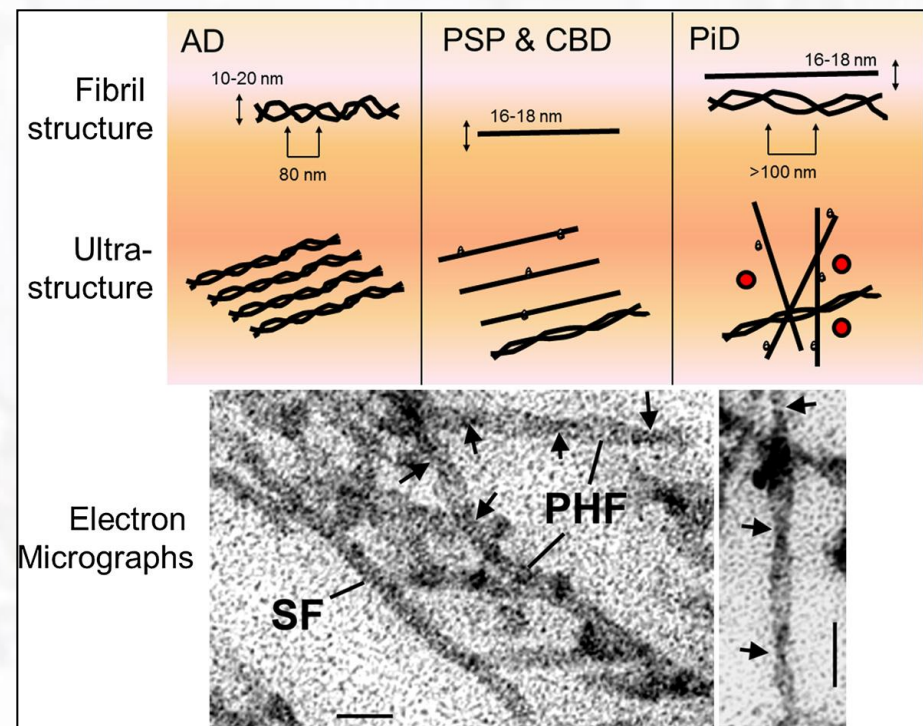
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Biochemical and ultrastructural characteristics of Alzheimer's disease and frontotemporal lobar degeneration tauopathies

	Tau repeat	Filaments (width)	Periodicity
AD	3R ≈ 4R	PHF (10 to 20 nm) >> SF (~15 nm)	80 nm
PSP	4R > 3R	SF (15 nm); rare twisted filament (15 to 30 nm)	>100 nm
CBD	4R > 3R	SF >> twisted filament (15 to 30 nm)	160 nm
PiD	3R > 4R	SF (15 nm) >> twisted filament (15 to 30 nm)	160 nm

Neuropathologic inclusions seen in tauopathies range from intracellular to extracellular and from neuron to glia.



Clinicopathologic assessment and imaging of tauopathies in neurodegenerative dementias

Murray et al. **Alzheimer's Research & Therapy** 2014, 6:1



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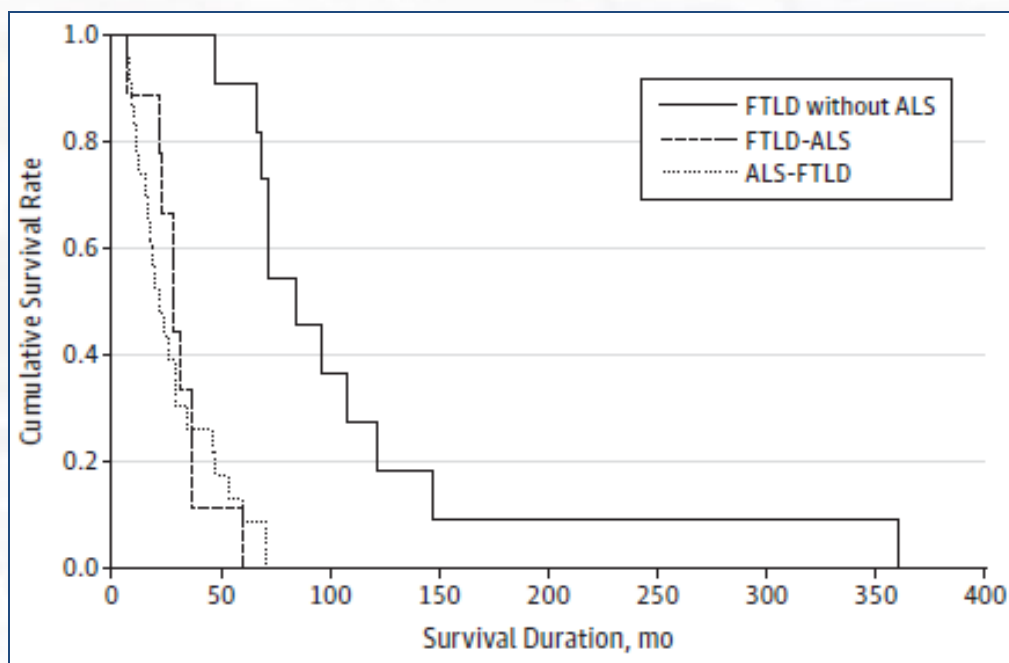
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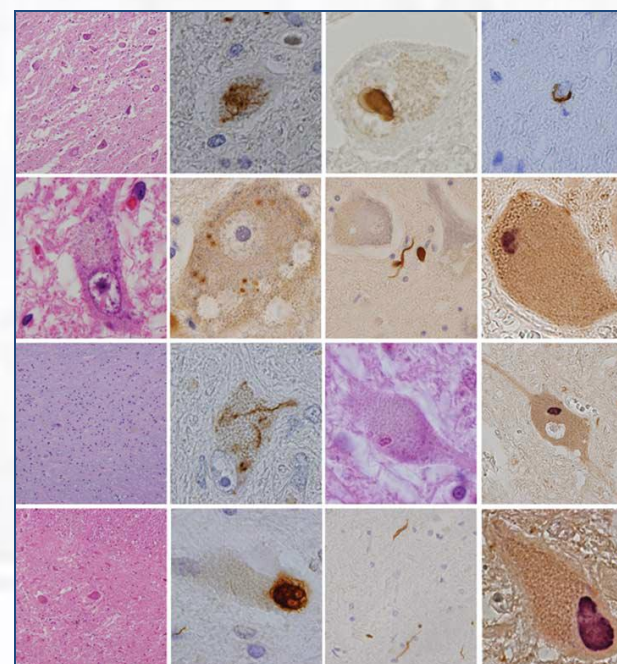
LowerMotor Neuron Involvement in TAR DNA-Binding Protein of 43 kDa–Related Frontotemporal Lobar Degeneration and Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis

Riku Y et al. **JAMA Neurology** December 30, 2013

Survival by Clinical Group



Pathological Findings of SpinalMotor Neuron in Subtypes of TDP-43 Pathological Changes



The LMN systems of FTLD-TDP frequently exhibit neuropathological changes corresponding to ALS. Thus, a pathological continuity between FTLD-TDP and ALS is supported at the level of the LMN system



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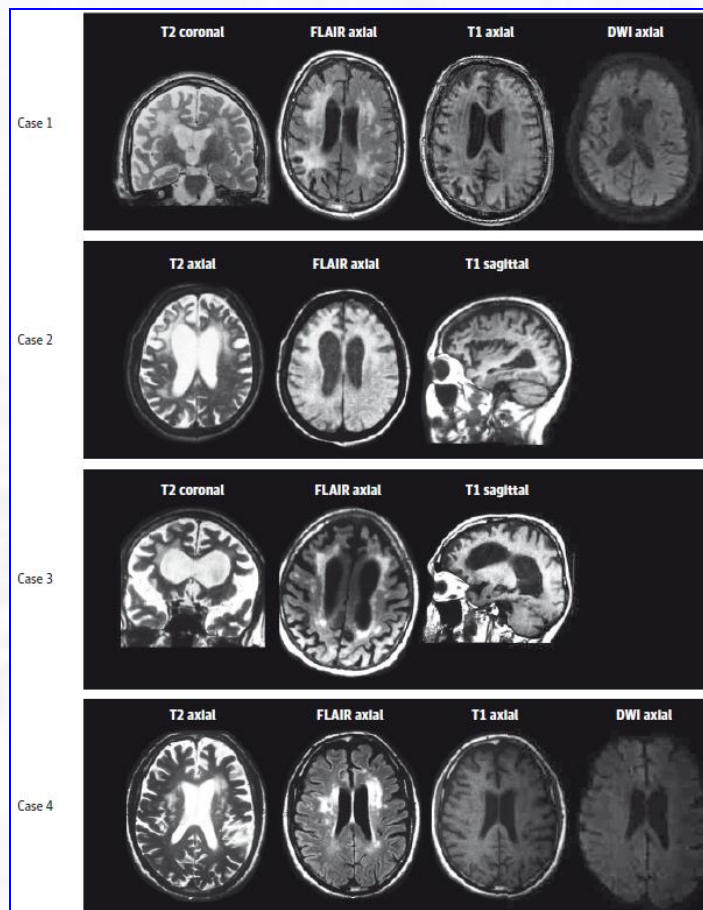
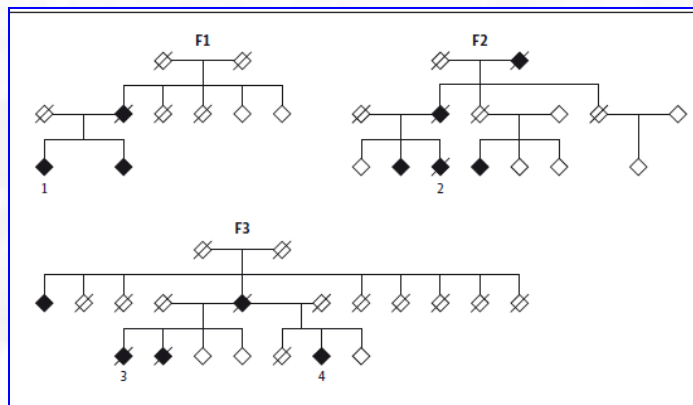
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Extensive White Matter Involvement in Patients With Frontotemporal Lobar Degeneration. Think Progranulin

Caroppo P et al. **JAMA Neurol.** October 13, 2014

Families Pedigrees of
Cases 1, 2, 3, and 4.





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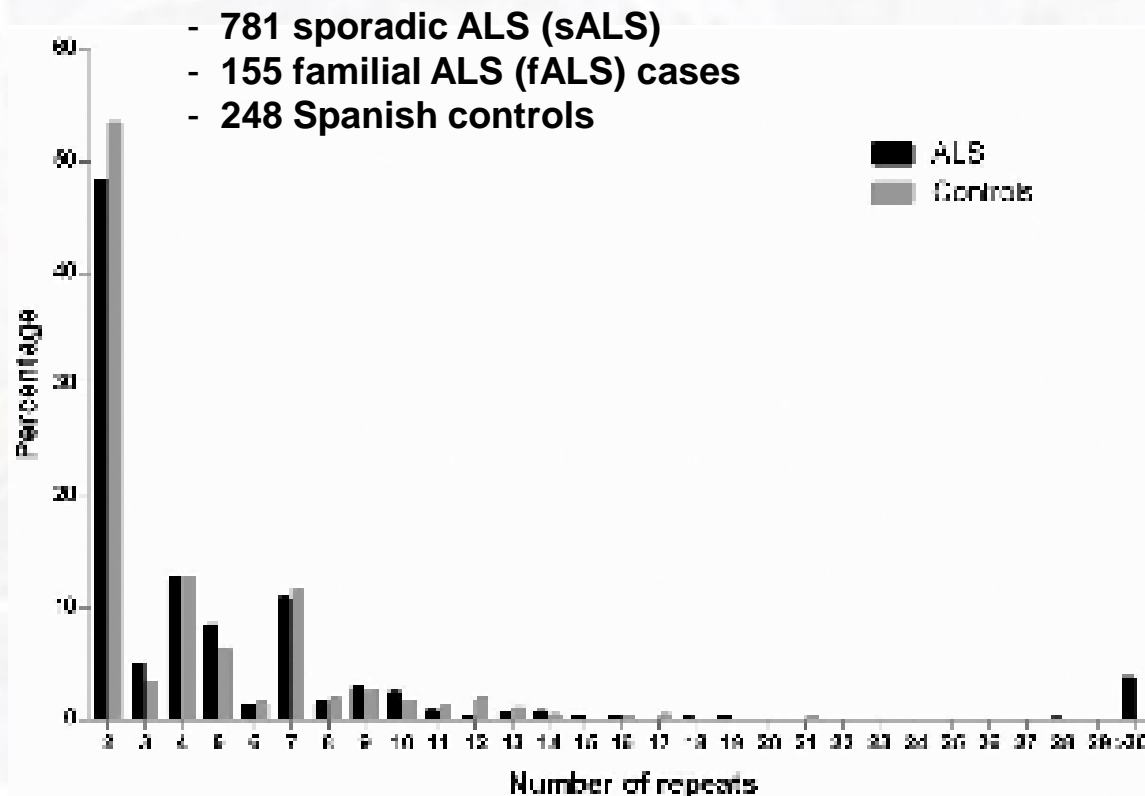
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C9orf72 **expansion**

Analysis of the *C9orf72* Gene in Patients with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis in Spain and Different Populations Worldwide

García-Redondo A, et al. **Human Mutation** 30 August 2012



The *C9orf72* expansion was present in 27.1% of fALS and 3.2% of sALS. Mutation carriers showed lower age at onset, shorter survival, greater co-occurrence of FTD, and more family history of ALS, than non- carriers.



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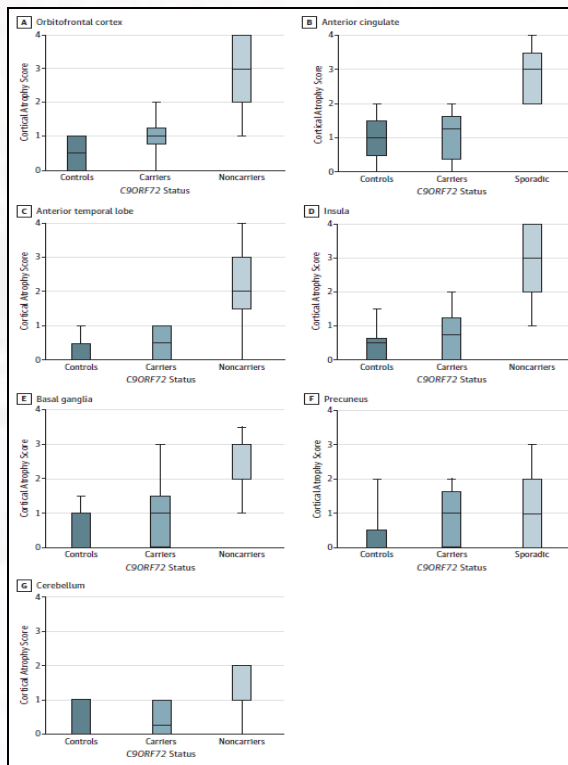
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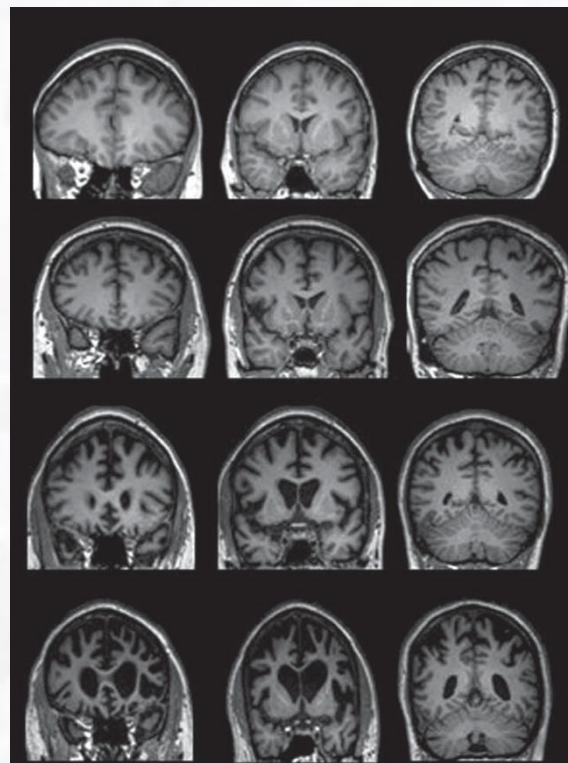
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Frontotemporal Dementia Associated With the C9ORF72 Mutation. A Unique Clinical Profile Devenney E et al. *JAMA Neurol.* January 20, 2014

Cortical Atrophy Ratings in C9ORF72 Mutation Carriers, Noncarriers, and Controls



Variable Patterns of Cortical Atrophy in C9ORF72 Mutation Carriers and Noncarriers



The C9ORF72 mutation appears to be a common cause of bvFTD.

Many of the C9ORF72 carriers have a family history of ALS or psychiatric illness.

Psychotic features emerged as the most discriminating clinical feature between mutation carriers and noncarriers.

Progression is often slow and brain atrophy is less pronounced than in nonmutation cases of bvFTD.



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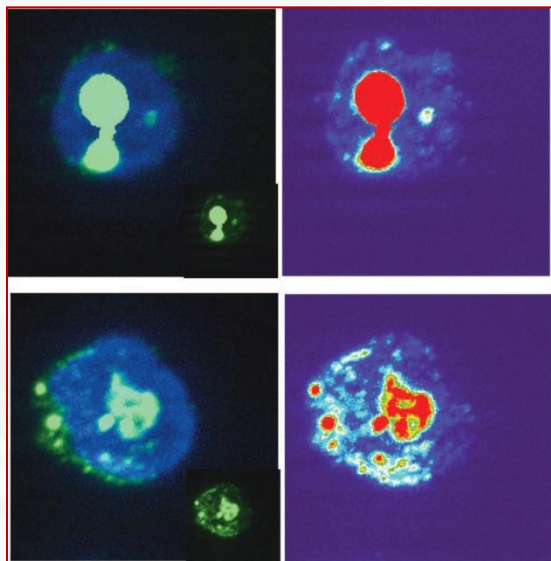


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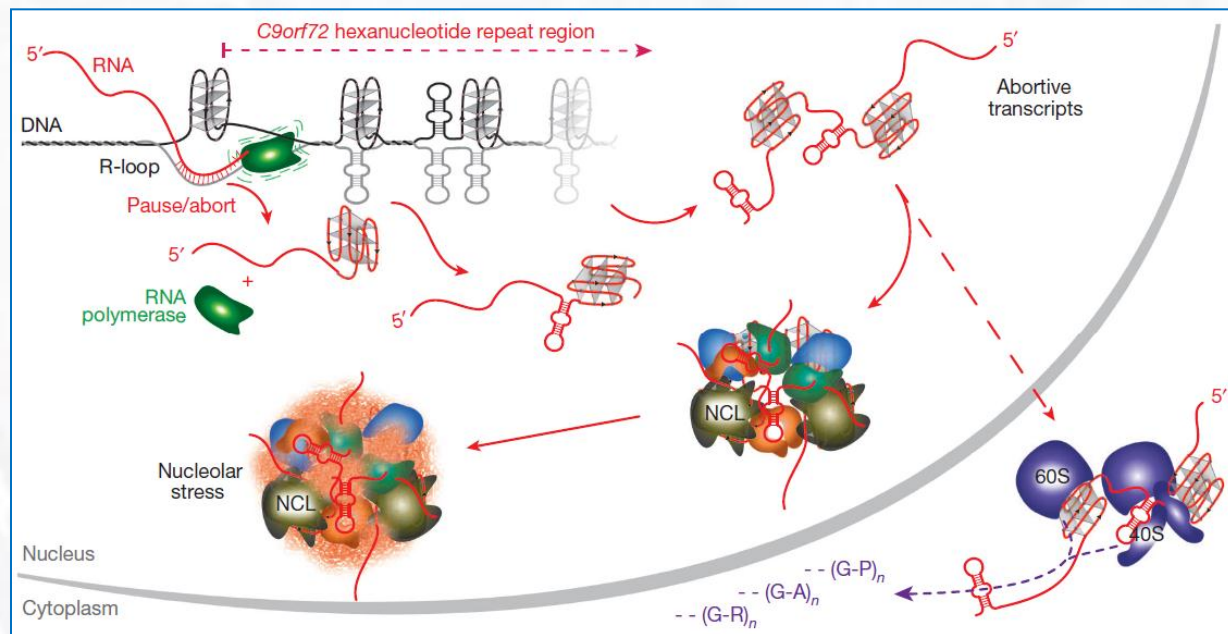
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C9orf72 nucleotide repeat structures initiate molecular cascades of disease

Haeusler AR et al. **N A T U R E**, March 2014



Nucleolar stress is a result of repeat-containing RNA transcripts from the C9orf72 HRE



A model for the molecular cascade resulting from the C9orf72 HRE structural polymorphism.

Distinct C9orf72 HRE structural polymorphism at both DNA and RNA levels initiates molecular cascades leading to ALS/FTD pathologies, and provide the basis for a mechanistic model for repeat-associated neurodegenerative diseases



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Nuevas dianas Posibles OPCIONES TERAPÉUTICAS



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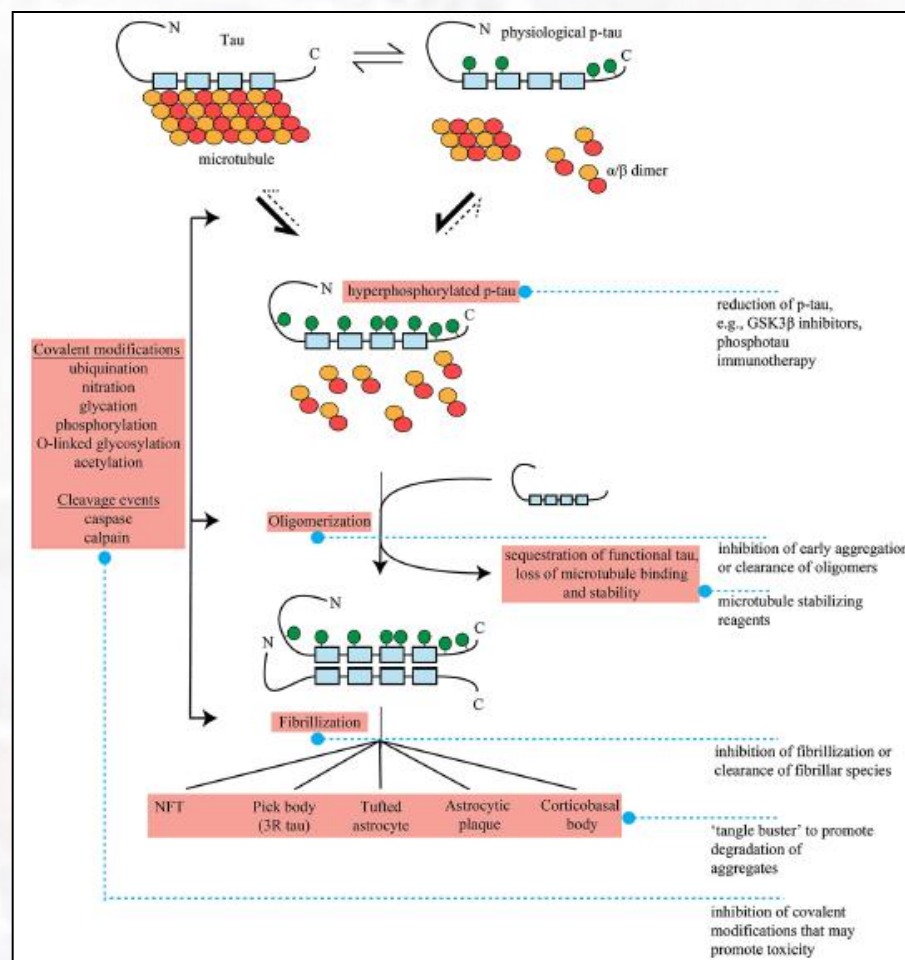
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Therapeutic and diagnostic challenges for frontotemporal dementia

D'Alton S et al. **Frontiers in Aging Neuroscience** 19 August 2014 | Vol 6

Potential FTLD diagnostic
and therapeutic timeline.





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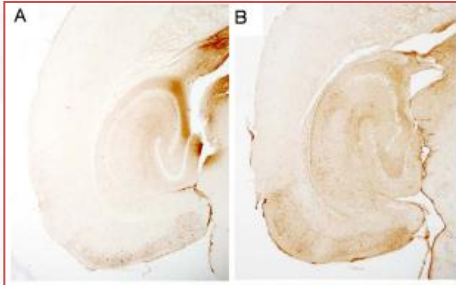


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Trans-Synaptic Spread of Tau Pathology In Vivo

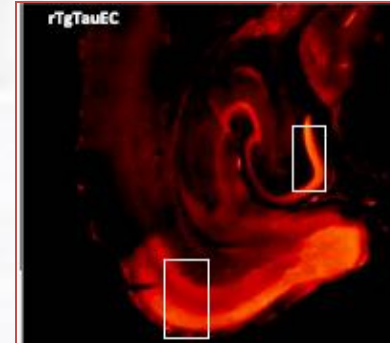
Liu L, et al. PLoS ONE 7(2), February 1, 2012



Propagation of pathology from the EC support a trans-synaptic mechanism of spread along anatomically connected networks, between connected and vulnerable neurons.

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

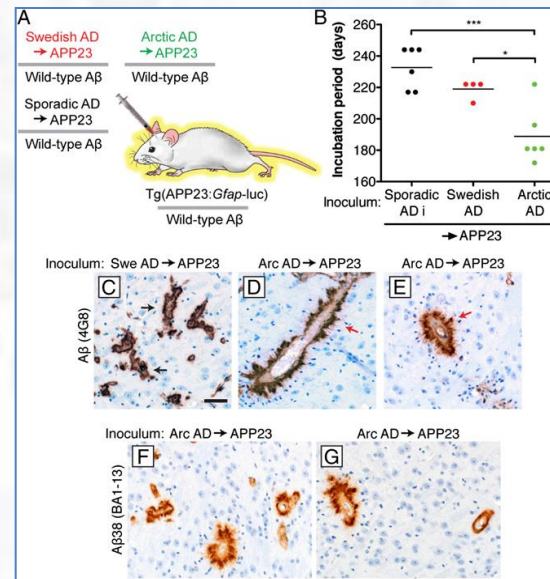
de Calignon A, Suárez-Calvet M et al. Neuron, February 23, 2012



Tau Propagates through Neural Circuits: pathological tau accumulation appear in brain regions synaptically connected to EC via the perforant pathway.

Serial propagation of distinct strains of A β prions from Alzheimer's disease patients

WattsJC, Prusiner SB et al. PNAS, July 2014



A β strain properties are maintained on serial transmission in Tg (APP23:Gfap-luc) mice



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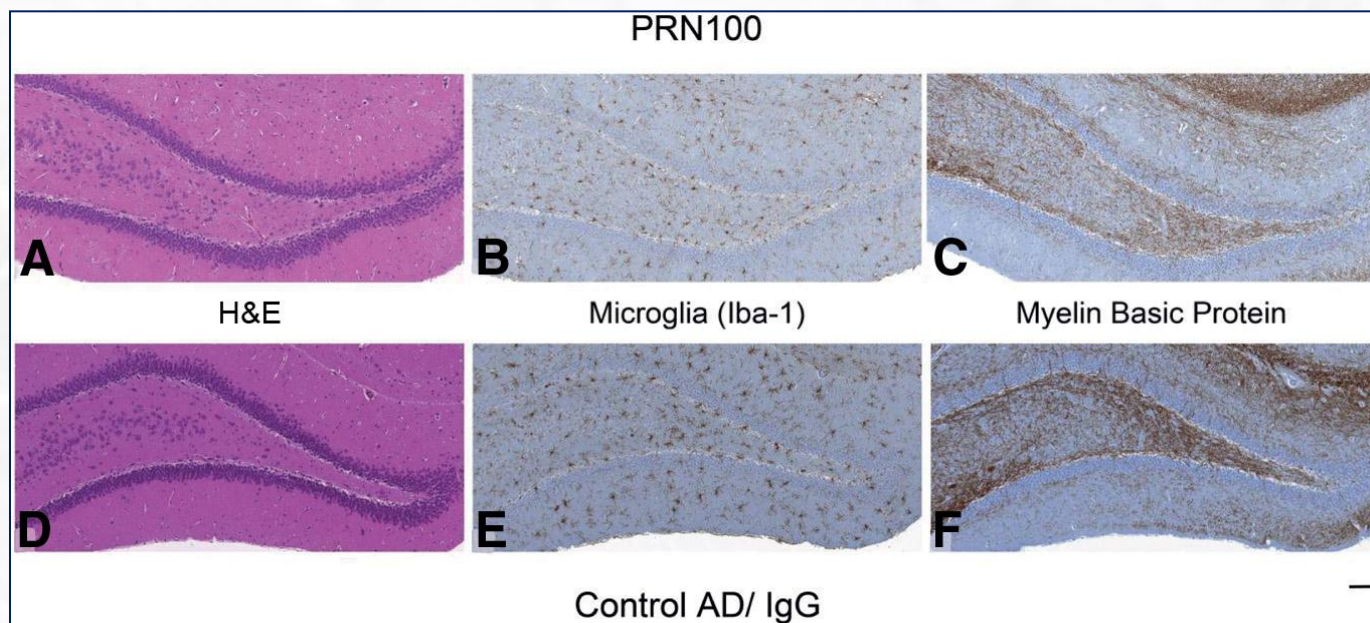
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Peripheral Administration of a Humanized Anti-PrP Antibody Blocks Alzheimer's Disease A β Synaptotoxicity

Klyubin I et al. **The Journal of Neuroscience**, April 30, 2014 • 34(18):6140–6145

ICV injection of PRN100 did not cause overt
neuronal damage up to 4 h after administration.



Shown is the immunohistochemical analysis of hippocampi from PRN100-injected (A–C) and isotype control-injected (D–F) rats. H&E or immunohistochemical (Iba-1 or SMI-94) staining (A, D) shows no evident neuronal damage, demyelination (C, F), or microglial activation in PRN-100 treated rats (B) compared with isotype control-treated animals (E).

A β -related synaptotoxicity can be blocked by a PrP antibodies