

In the Parkinson's Clinic: What's new and what's next

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What's new

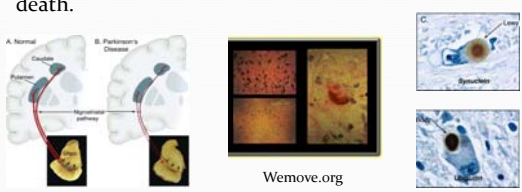
- **Diagnosis**
- Cause
- Neuroprotection
- Treatment



A cartoon illustration showing a cavewoman with a speech bubble that says "I WAS JUST RUBBING STICKS TOGETHER FOR FUN - I DIDN'T REALIZE I WAS DOING BASIC RESEARCH." She is standing next to a fire made of sticks. The cartoon is signed "R. Lee" and has a copyright notice for "©2010 http://www.docartoon.com/women.com".

Parkinson Disease: Diagnosis

- There is no objective test for PD in life.
- Diagnosis is made clinically in life; pathologically in death.





Diagrams and micrographs illustrating Parkinson's Disease pathology. Panel A shows a normal brain with the substantia nigra and striatum. Panel B shows Parkinson's Disease with loss of neurons and presence of Lewy pathology. Panel C shows a micrograph of a neuron with a large, eosinophilic inclusion body (Lewy body) in the cytoplasm. The source is cited as "Dauer & Przedborski, Neuron 2003".

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Dauer & Przedborski
Neuron 2003

Parkinson Disease- Diagnosis


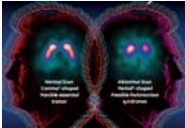
- **Kampavata:**
 - Described in Sanskrit around 2500 BC and 1400.
 - Tremor, drooling, a stare, stammering, and depression.
- **Mucuna pruriens (Kapikachhu)** treated tremors during the same period and contains L-dopa. *Singhal et al. Parkinsonism Rel. Dis. 2003*
- **James Parkinson** described 6 "patients" in 1817
- **Charcot** refined the symptoms and named it late in the 19th century.
 - Tremor at rest
 - Rigidity
 - Akinesia/ Bradykinesia
 - Postural instability*Reviewed, Savitt et al. Mol. Neurology 2007*

Parkinson Disease- Diagnosis/ Features



- Four cardinal features (TRAP).
- Mean onset 58-62 yrs.
- 10% < age 40.
- Male > Female.
- 5-20% have a family history.
- Asymmetric onset.
- Anxiety, depression, constipation, loss of smell, acting out dreams, etc.
- **L-dopa responsiveness**
 - PSP: abnormal eye movements, postural instability (accuracy 41-88% PSP)
 - MSA: autonomic dysfunctions, ataxia. (accuracy 50-66%)
 - CBD: asymmetric atrophy, dystonia, FTD-like changes
 - ET: Symmetric, postural, action > rest tremor.
 - Vascular PD: Lower half, older onset.
 - DLBD: early cognitive involvement.
- **PD accuracy 76-90%.** *Reviewed in Verbeek J Neurol 2015, Savitt et al JCI 2006.*

PD: Diagnostic Aids

- Radio-iodine binds the dopamine transporter
 - Presynaptic pump
- Reduces early in PD (from post. putamen to the caudate)
- Europe since 2000, approved in the US (PD vs ET) in 2011.
- 92-95% sensitive for PD
 - 9% disagreement in reads
 - 82% show correlation with symptom sidedness
 - Correlates better with non-tremor symptoms.
- 80-100% specific PD vs. ET, drug-induced PD, psychogenic PD.
- Impacted by Sertraline, amphetamine, bupropion, methylphenidate, benzatropine, lithium and others)
- Inconsistent result with vascular PDism, DRD
- MSA (more symmetric), PSP (more symmetric), DLB, PD usually abnormal, CBGD can be normal or abnormal.
- LRRK2 and GBA PD patients w/ abnormal, asymmetric scans.

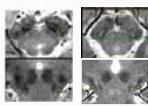
Gayed et al Clin Nucl. Med 2015; 40:390-393; Walker et al BJPsych 2015; 206:145-152. Ba et al ; Parkinsonism Rel Dis. 2015 (2) 2 87-94.

MRI Diagnosis of PD

- 7 T MRI identifies irregular SN border in PD.
 - Likely due to iron accumulation. *Kwon et al Annals Neurol.* 2012;71:99-107
- DTI imaging found abnormalities in nigrostriatal fibers in PD patients (PPMI) *Zhang et al Mov Dis.* 2015.
- 3T DTI MRI could differentiate PD, MSA-p, PSP, ET, controls. *Prodach et al Mov Dis.* 2015.
- fMRI during tasks can see MSA vs PD *Planetta et al Hu. Brain. Map.*
- 3T MRI looking at nigrosome NS1 gave about 92% sensitivity and 91% specificity for PD *Schwarz et al Lancet.* 2014. *Noh et al AJNR.* 2015.

Comp. method	Area	Sens	Spec
Control		0.92	0.78
PD		0.91	0.76
MSA-p		0.89	0.74
PSP		0.87	0.72
ET		0.85	0.70
PD	NS1	0.92	0.78
MSA-p	NS1	0.91	0.76
PSP	NS1	0.89	0.74
ET	NS1	0.87	0.72

FIG. 2. Findings from logistic regression and receiver operating characteristic (ROC) analyses. Area under the curve (AUC) was the primary outcome... *Prodach et al Mov Dis.* 2015.

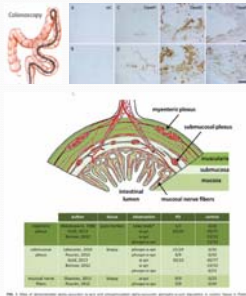


PD **Control**

Noh et al AJNR. 2015

PD Diagnosis: Looking for α-Synuclein in PD

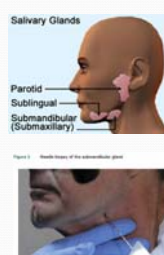
- Synuclein in colon biopsies
 - 3 PD patients, 2-5 years before symptoms.
 - (+) in 9/9 PD patients, not in 23 controls. *Shannon et al Mov Dis.* 2012
- F/u article found changes in fecal bacteria that are pro-inflammatory.
 - Lead to altered synuclein
 - Increased colonic permeability *Keshavarzian et al Mov. Dis.,* 2015.



Location of biopsy: timing, age may affect sensitivity. *Viswanji et al Mov. Dis.* 2015

Synuclein in other areas.

- Submandibular phospho-synuclein (prot. K) in 9/12 advanced PD. *Aller et al Neurol.* 2004; 52: 858-864.
- Synuclein in skin biopsies (11 published studies, variable results)
 - Strongly positive in PD
 - Mildly positive in atypical PD syndromes
 - Skin from neck and back
 - Absent in controls (Mexican study).


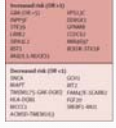


Salivary Glands
Parotid
Sublingual
Submandibular (Submaxillary)

Figure 2. Health history of the submandibular gland.

Other Diagnostic Aids to come


- Major attempt is underway to find biomarkers (PPMI, Parexel, NINDS-PDBP, Udall).
- Algorithms (83% sen, 90% spec, give 6 people PD for each one properly diagnosed). *Nalls et al PPMI Lancet Neurol. 2013; Nalls et al Mov Dis. 2015*
 - olfaction
 - relative with PD
 - age
 - sex
 - **genetic risk analysis** (30 genes)
- CSF tau, p-tau-181, DJ-1, α -synuclein amyloid and b-glucocerebrosidase in PD. *Hong et al Brain 2010; Montine et al Mov. Disord. 2010; Parmer et al Neurobiol Neurosci 2013.*
- Panel of 4 RNAs is over 80% sensitive and specific for PD. *Grubb et al J. Neural Trans 2010.*
 - Similar studies for protein markers.
- Dementia in PD:
 - ApoE ϵ_4 : increases risk of PDD and Lewy body disease. *Arch. Neurol 2012.*
 - CSF with high NFL, heart fatty acid binding protein, and low Abeta 1-42 correlated with PDD. *Backstrom et al JAMA 2015.*


ATP13A2, C9orf72, FBX07, PLA2G6, PDLG, SCA2, SCA3, SYN1, RAB39B
Adapted from Kalia and Lang Lancet 2015.

Causes of PD

- Up through the 1980-90s: Environmental factors
 - Post-encephalitic Pdism after viral epidemic around 1915.
 - Markey and Langston's description of Pdism in people abusing MPTP.
 - H5N1 bird flu leads to PD-like changes in mouse brain via autoimmune reaction.



Constantin von Economo
Encephalitis lethargica



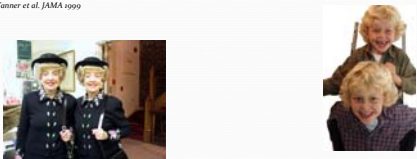
MICHELLE FREYEN ABBOTT posed together in 1991, after having received neuroleptic drug therapy for a psychotic disorder, at the time had relatively unaltered Parkinson's disease, after taking an impure mixture of a mixture, but later developed the disease. She is the first woman to have received MPTP therapy. The image shows the chemical structure of MPTP, which is thought to contribute to some clinical presentation of the disease.

Environmental Risks

- Solvent/chemical (TCE, PERC, CCL4) exposure
 - Electricians, dry cleaners, health workers, and machinists have increased risk of PD (trichloroethylene -> PERC and CCl4 exposure) in study of 198 discordant twins. *Goldman et al Ann Neurol 2012.*
 - Risks: Manganese (welding?) not associated with common PD, leads to l-dopa unresponsive Pdism *Guller, Gatzert Toxicol. Sci. 2015.*
- Pesticides
 - Meta-analysis suggests RR of 1.64 for pesticide exposure. *Van der mark et al Environmental Health Persp. 2012.*
 - Atrazine, simazine, alachlor and metolchlor, permethrin, beta-hexachlorocyclohexane, 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid, Paraquat (especially in those who genetically have reduced ability to metabolize), Maneb, Agent Orange.
 - Benomyl (fungicide) exposure is associated with increased PD risk and is toxic in fish models of PD and in dopamine cell culture. *Hatanovic et al PNAS 2015.*
- Head trauma
 - Consensus statement says little evidence of a link. *Marras et al Arch. Phys. Med Rehabil 2014.*
 - (LOC > 5 minutes) with exposure to paraquat triples risk of PD *Lee et al. Neurol. 2012.*
 - Head trauma in those 35 and older increased PD risk 4.6% over those with other trauma over the next 5-7 yrs. Synuclein levels are elevated after head trauma. *Gardner et al Ann. Neurol 2015.*
 - Head trauma with variations in the Synuclein gene increased risk. *Goldman et al Ann. Nl Neurol. 2015.*
- Infections:
 - Necardia, whooping cough, LPS and H. pylori are mentioned frequently. H. Pylori infections can model PD in mice. *Sinatore et al Alzheim. 2011.*
 - Case control study found OR 7.42 for lifetime Influenza risk. *Vajinas et al Internat. J. Neurosci 2013.*
 - Pro-inflammatory, reduced butyrate-producing, fecal microbiome may increase risk (cause or effect?). *Keshavarzian et al Mov Dis. 2015.*
 - Severe flu within 10 years of PD onset doubles PD risk. Increased risk after cat and cattle exposure too. *Harris et al. Mov. Dis., 2012.*
- Protection:
 - Coffee and tea, NSAID (ibuprofen), Tobacco. Role of GI bacteria?
 - Vitamin D, childhood measles, exercise. Peppers, tomatoes, and potatoes contain nicotine and may be protective *(Nichols et al Ann Neurol, 2011). Yerba mate consumption (Garriz et al J. Neurosci 2015).*

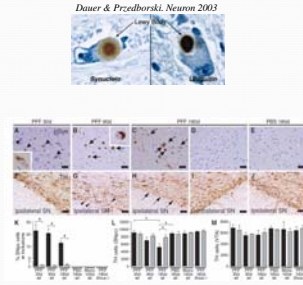
What Causes PD? Is it Genetics?

- 20% of patients have an affected family member.
- Young onset is more likely to have a genetic component.
 - Identical twins concordance: <51 yr onset 100%
 - Later onset risk; identical twins = non-identical twins (5-11%) *Tanner et al. JAMA 1999*



Genetic Causes

- α -synuclein, A53T was found in an AD, PD family. *Polymeropoulos et al Science, 1997.*
 - A53T, E46K, *(Kremer et al. Nat Genetic 1998; Zarranz, Ann Neurol 2004.)*
 - H50Q, G51D *(Khalil et al Acta Neuropath 2013; Apple-Crosswell et al Mov Dis 2012)*
- Syn is a major constituent of Lewy bodies. *Spillantini et al Nature, 1997*
- Polymorphisms/ duplications *(Boeve et al Lancet 2004; / triplication (Singleton et al Sci 2003) (are associated with increased PD risk.*
- Synuclein Prion hypothesis:
 - Synuclein can change from monomer into a beta sheet aggregate.
 - Fetal cells developed synuclein inclusions years after transplant: is taken up by cells. *Doppel et al PNAS 2003; Kaufman et al Nat Med 2002*
 - Synuclein (preformed fibrils) injection leads to PD pathology in mice.
 - Syn oligomers detected by proximity assay show early stage pathogenesis. *Roberts et al Brain 2015.*
 - MSA brain material injected into mice cause synuclein pathology. *Watts et al PNAS 2015.*




Dauer & Przedborski, Neuron 2003

Luk et al Science 2012

More genetics-LRRK2

- Mutations in LRRK2 identified in familial PD *(Zimprich et al. Neuron, Paisano-Ruiz, et al Neuron 2004).*
 - AD, reduced penetrance.
 - Risk: 28% at 59, 51% at 69 and 74% at 79 years of age. *(Healy et al Lancet Neurol 2007)*
- Common variations in LRRK2 can increase risk
- Implicated in cancer, IBD.
- May respond to kinase inhibitors, inhibitors may protect against synuclein toxicity.



G2090S in familial and sporadic PD Lesage et al 2010

Glucocerebrosidase Mutation

- Greatest PD genetic risk factor is GBA mutation.
 - Encodes lysosomal B-glucocerebrosidase.
 - Gaucher disease when homozygous
 - 2.3-10 % of PD patients have a GBA mutation
 - OR is greater than 5.43 for any mutation
 - 30% of 80 year olds w/ a mutation will have PD.
 - Likely involved in synuclein metabolism
 - GBS activity is reduced in IPD
 - Lower GBA activity leads to higher plasma oligomeric synuclein *Nahvy et al Mov Dis 2015*
- Patients without PD and GBA mutation vs Controls
 - Hyposmia
 - Depression
 - Cognitive impairment
 - REM-Behavioral Disorder
 - Worse PD rating scale score

Mullin/Schipiro BMB 2005, *Bevan et al JAMA Neurol 2005*, *Schipiro Mol. Cellul. Neurosci 2005*, *Sidransky, Lopez Lancet Neurol 2002*

More Genes

- AD Genes**
 - SNCA (alpha-synuclein)
 - Parkin
 - ATXN1, ATXN2
 - DJ-1
 - LRRK1, LRRK2
 - PINK1
 - ATRX1A
 - FBXO7
 - PLA2G6
 - GBA
 - EIF4G1
 - VPS35
 - C9ORF72
 - DNAAF1
 - SYN1
 - RAB39B
 - CHCHD2
- Recessive Genes**
 - SNCA, Parkin, DJ-1, LRRK1, LRRK2, PINK1, ATRX1A, FBXO7, PLA2G6, GBA, EIF4G1, VPS35, C9ORF72, DNAAF1, SYN1, RAB39B, CHCHD2
- Dominant Genes**
 - SNCA, Parkin, DJ-1, LRRK1, LRRK2, PINK1, ATRX1A, FBXO7, PLA2G6, GBA, EIF4G1, VPS35, C9ORF72, DNAAF1, SYN1, RAB39B, CHCHD2
- GWAS hits**
 - SNCA, Parkin, DJ-1, LRRK1, LRRK2, PINK1, ATRX1A, FBXO7, PLA2G6, GBA, EIF4G1, VPS35, C9ORF72, DNAAF1, SYN1, RAB39B, CHCHD2
- Role of oligomers**
 - SNCA, Parkin, DJ-1, LRRK1, LRRK2, PINK1, ATRX1A, FBXO7, PLA2G6, GBA, EIF4G1, VPS35, C9ORF72, DNAAF1, SYN1, RAB39B, CHCHD2

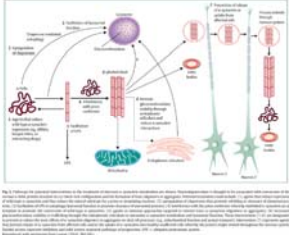
Kohls, Lang Lancet 2015

Impact of Genetics

- Common changes in genes increase overall PD risk 30%. *Mata et al. Mov. Dis. 2012*
- GBA mutation is greatest genetic factor
 - 2.3-9.4% prevalence
 - 30% of 80 yo with a mutation will have PD
- LRRK-2 accounts for 1-2% of all PD and > 4% of familial cases.
- EOPD more strongly genetic
 - Parkin accounts for 8.6%, PINK-1 3.7 % and DJ-1 0.4% of EOPD.
 - Onset under 40, 9.5% genetic, 29% if a person has an affected sibling, 50% if parents are related.
- Population risk 0.3% with a first degree relative 0.6%.
- 1/3 of Ashkenazi Jews with sporadic PD have either a LRRK2, a GBA mutation or both. *Inzelberg et al JAMA Neurol 2014*

So what causes PD?

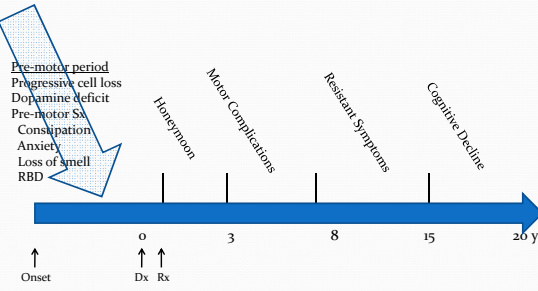
Toxins
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Time →
↑
Genes



Synuclein
Abnormal transport and signaling
Oxidative stress
Inflammation
Impaired protein clearance
Mitochondrial damage

Schapira Mol. Cellul. Neurosci 2015.

Hope to intervene here with neuroprotection



Pre-motor period
 Progressive cell loss
 Dopamine deficit
 Pre-motor SA
 Constipation
 Anxiety
 Loss of smell
 RBD

Timeline: Onset (0) → Dx (0) → Rx (0) → 3 yrs (Hemiparesis) → 8 yrs (Motor Complications) → 15 yrs (Resistant Symptoms) → 20 yrs (Cognitive Decline)

Why is Neuroprotection Important?

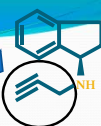
- NPF Quality Improvement Initiative
- After tens years with PD:
 - 44% were minimally disabled
 - 40% had impaired balance
 - 88% could stand without assistance
 - 96% needed l-dopa
 - 46% were on dopamine agonists
 - 37% were on an antidepressant
 - 22% had DBS
 - 93% lived at home

Despite Successes: there remains doubt about MAOB-I

Neuroprotective Trials in PD MAO-B inhibitors – all successful				
YEAR	TRIAL	AGENTS	N	OUTCOME
1993	DATATOP*	selegiline & tocopherol	800	Need for L-dopa
1995	SINDEPAR	selegiline	101	UPDRS change
1996	ROADS	lazabemide	321	Need for L-dopa
2002	BLIND-DATE*	selegiline	368	UPDRS and freezing of gait
2004	TEMPO*	rasagiline	404	Delayed start
2006	Swedish*	selegiline	157	Need for L-dopa and UPDRS
2008	Adagio	rasagiline	>1K	Delayed-start

Adagio Trial: Azilect

Propargyl side chain



1176 PD patients participated
1 mg/day met pre-specified endpoints
2 mg/day did not

Post-Hoc
-Azilect delayed the initiation of other medications *Dasil et al Lancet Neurol 2011*
-W/ Anti-depressants less worsening of depression, fatigue, sleepiness and cognition *Smith et al JAMA 2015*

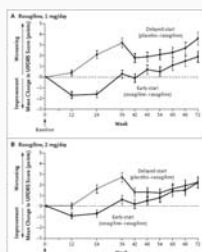
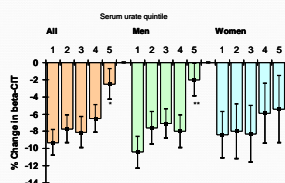


Figure 1. Changes in Summed on the Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale (UPDRS) in the Post-Study Groups.
The mean (SD) change from baseline in the UPDRS score in the efficacy subset for the rasagiline and three placebo and placebo for patients receiving rasagiline at a dose of 1 mg per day (Rasag 1) and those receiving 2 mg per day (Rasag 2) are shown. The dashed lines indicate placebo, and the solid lines indicate rasagiline.

Urate

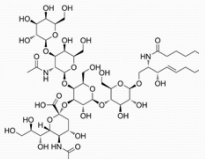
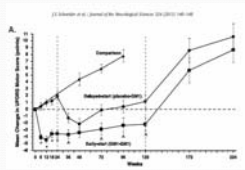
- The higher the Urate, the slower PD progression. *Ascherio et al Arch. Neurol 2009*
- Inosine is safe, tolerable and effective in increasing CSF and serum urate levels. *Schwarzschäld et al JAMA Neurol 2014*



GM1 injections may be protective

- 77 patients randomized
- Symptomatic benefit seen
- Earlier one starts the better
- Imaging supports protection

Schnieder et al J. Neurol Sci 2005

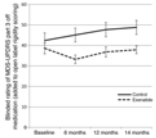
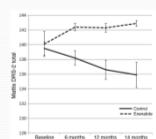



Off scores

Exenatide (Byetta)

Aviles-Olmos et al J Clin Invest. 2013

- Glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonist.
- Neuroprotective?
- **45 patients were randomized and followed for 12 months, then a 2 month washout in an open-label, blinded rater design.**
- SC injection
- UPDRS motor (blinded rater) and Mattis dementia scores improved, even after washout.
- Increased dyskinesias and weight loss in the treatment group.

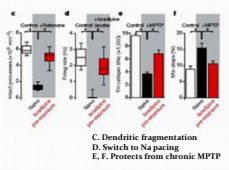

GDNF

Reviewed in Kalia et al Mov Dis 2015, Metzman and Slavin Mov Dis 2015.

- 4 GDNF and 2 Neurturin trials have been disappointing so far.
 - Not enough receptors?
 - Down regulation of RET
 - Most recently AAV2-Neurturin in the SN and Putamen failed.
- NIH is conducting AAV2-GDNF convection trial
- PYM50028 (Cogane)
 - oral GDNF/BDNF inducer
 - No change in PD patients at 28 weeks

Neuroprotection- Con't

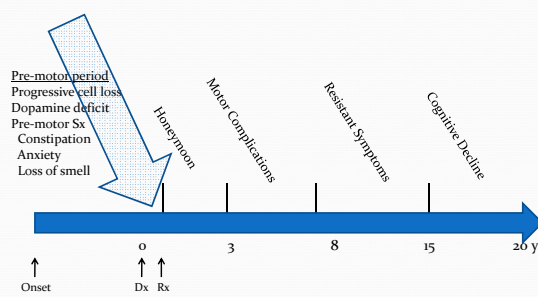
- Isradipine (CCB) and rejuvenation
 - Several week old mouse nigral neurons use Cav1.3.
 - Younger cells use Na channel (to pace)
 - Young neurons are resistant to MPTP and Rotenone
 - Chan...Surmeier: Nature 2007
 - STEADY-PD (found safe @10mg doses, no clinical effect yet.) STEADY-PDIII ongoing.
- Nic-PD
 - One year German/ US study in early PD
 - Dose up to 28mg/day
 - Recruiting
- FS-ZONE
 - Piaglitazone in early PD
 - PPAR stimulator, binds to mitochondria
 - Futility met. NET-PD Lancet Neurol 2015

Alpha-Synuclein Therapies

- Target: Disrupt/clear, prevent, or contain pathologic accumulation.
- Immunotherapy
 - AFFiRiS active immunity, using Affitope: short peptide mimicking c-term hSyn w/ carrier. In phase 1 with PD and 2 in MSA. PD01A
 - PRX002: Passive, monoclonal antibody (c-term), blocks cleavage. Lowers serum Syn in controls. Phase 1b with patients ongoing, Prothena/ Roche.
 - BIIB-054 passive, Biogen, Phase 1 control subjects.
 - BioArtic: Humanized monoclonal to syn oligomers. Close, if not already in Humans.
- Small molecule stabilization, small molecule disruption, rev up autophagy pathway.
 - NPT200-11 (Neuropore/ UCB) Oral, stabilizes safe synuclein forms. Humans?
 - Nilotinib: Abl kinase inhibitor to lower Tau and Synuclein.
 - Phenylbutyrate: to remove synuclein from the brain, increases DJ-1. Not yet recruiting.
 - Ceftriaxone: Pre-clinically binds and inhibits Synuclein aggregation.

Symptomatic Therapies



The diagram shows a timeline from 0 to 20 years. At 0 years, 'Onset' is marked. A large blue arrow labeled 'Pre-motor period' points to the start of the timeline. Symptoms listed include: Progressive cell loss, Dopamine deficit, Pre-motor Sx, Constipation, Anxiety, and Loss of smell. At 0 years, 'Dx' and 'Rx' are marked. At 3 years, 'Hoarseness' is marked. At 8 years, 'Motor Complications' and 'Resistant Symptoms' are marked. At 15 years, 'Cognitive Decline' is marked.

Exercise- symptomatic

- Active-Assisted Cycling Improves Tremor and Bradykinesia in Parkinson's Disease. *Ridgel et al Arch Phys Med Rehabil. 2012*
- Other evidence for weightlifting, rowing, dancing too.
- Cochrane review supports exercise, but cannot tell which is best (RT, ET, OITM each work). *Uthrand et al J Neurol. Sci 2015; Cochrane, Tomlinson et al 2014.*

Tai Chi

Li et al NEJM 2012

- 195 with mild to moderate PD
- Received either Tai Chi, resistance or stretching
- Twice weekly Tai Chi improved balance and reduced falls. Effect lasted for several months.

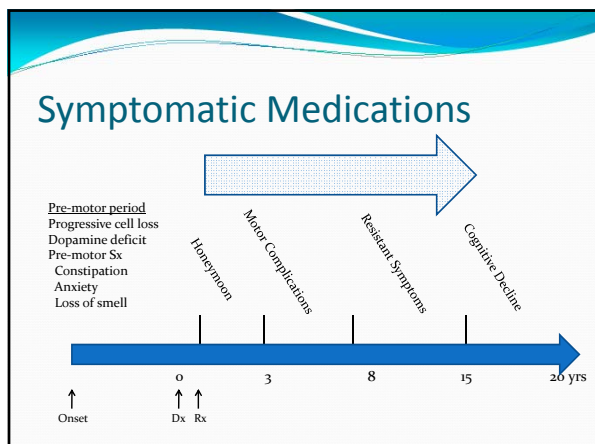
Measure	Tai Chi (N=45)	Resistance (N=45)	Stretching (N=45)	Between-Group Difference in Mean Change from Baseline (95% CI)
Tread up and go (sec)				
Baseline	8.65±2.98	8.55±2.72	8.68±2.38	
6 mo	7.52±2.69	7.85±2.59	8.75±2.45	-0.85 (-1.03 to -0.66) NS
UPDRS III score				
Baseline	12.26±4.70	12.15±4.94	12.06±4.17	
6 mo	8.86±4.12	10.25±4.82	11.06±2.54	-1.54 (-1.28 to -1.80) NS

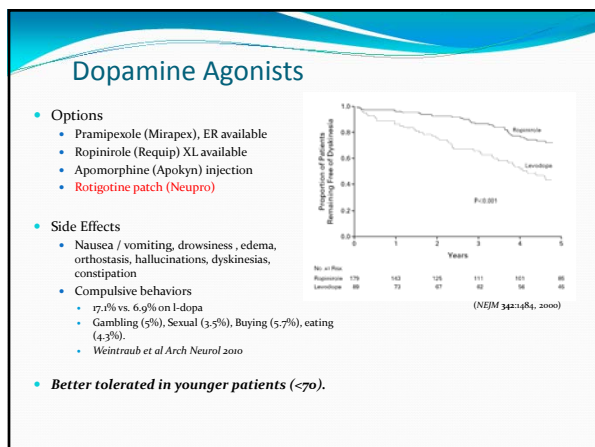
Falls	Tai Chi (N=45)	Resistance (N=45)	Stretching (N=45)
Total falls	42	133	79
No. of falls — no. of participants (%)			
Any	19 (20)	32 (40)	28 (30)
1	1	6 (22)	4 (6)
2	4 (6)	7 (21)	3 (5)
≥3	12 (16)	19 (21)	21 (21)
Rate — no./participant-month	0.22	0.51	0.46

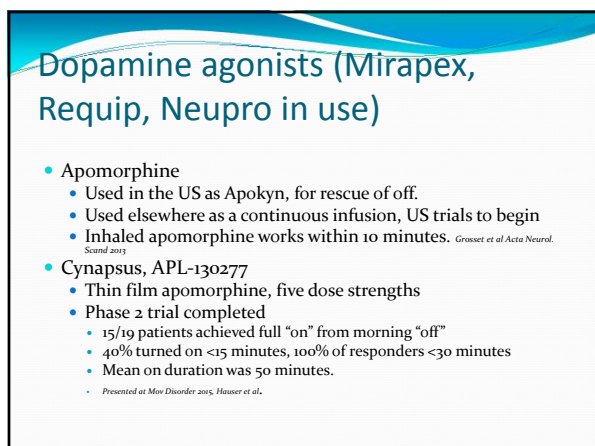
Caffeine

- +/- improvement in wakefulness
- 200mg BID
- Improved motor scores

Postuma et al. Neurology 2012;79:651







Carbidopa/ levodopa

- Carbidopa/ levodopa
 - Levodopa is converted to dopamine that activates receptor
 - Carbidopa prevents the peripheral decarboxylation of levodopa.
 - Most effective medication
 - Wears off, addition of entacapone (Stalevo) or MAO-b inhibitor helps.
- Side Effects
 - Nausea/vomiting, drowsiness or insomnia, edema of the legs, dizziness, hallucinations, constipation
 - Abnormal movements/ dyskinesias
 - Dose dependent, try amantadine
 - Behavioral disorders

Change in UPDRS from baseline to Week 42

Y-axis: Change in UPDRS from baseline (range -8 to 12)
X-axis: Week (range -2 to 46)

Legend: Placebo (solid line), 150mg (dashed line), 300mg (dotted line), 600mg (dash-dot line)

Statistical significance: $P < 0.0001$

Source: Parkinson Study Group (2004) Levodopa and the progression of Parkinson's disease. *N Engl J Med* 351(24):2488-2508

Motor Complications

Olanow et al Mov Dis 2013


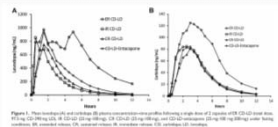
- Risks
 - Female
 - North American
 - Low weight
 - L-dopa dose
 - Young at onset
 - Worse UPDRS

COMT inhibitors

- Prevent the inactivation of l-dopa (Sinemet).
- Smooth out motor fluctuations
- Taken with C/L only
- May worsen l-dopa related side effects, cause GI upset, diarrhea and change urine color.
- Examples
 - Entacapone (Comtan)
 - Tolcapone (Tasmar)
 - Frequent blood tests to monitor for liver failure
 - Stalevo (Sinemet + Comtan)

Labels in diagram: Inactivated, COMT, L-dopa, AADC, Peripheral dopamine, Dopamine, Dopamine receptor.

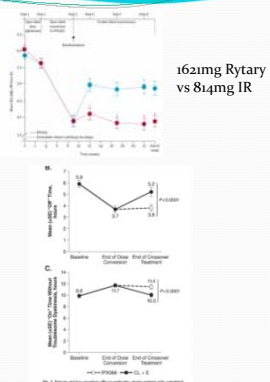
Extended Release L-dopa: Rytary

- lasts longer than ordinary l-dopa. *Hsu et al J. Clin. Pharm 2015*
- Can be used TID in *de novo* patients, 70% AUC, 30% Cmax *Pahwa et al Parkism Rel Disord. 2014*

Rytary vs IR

- Rytary given 3.6 times/day reduced off time 1.2 hours versus 5 doses of Sinemet. *Houser et al Lancet Neurol 2013*
- Rytary reduced off time 1.4 hours more than Stalevo. *Stocchi et al Parkinson Rel Disord 2014*
- Extension study: 90% of advanced patients dose TID or QID (800-2450mg/day, average 1450). May have reduced dyskinesia. *Waters et al CNS Drugs 2015*



Rytary vs IR

- 75% as bioavailable as IR, need about 2X the total dose.
- Following dose conversion TID, 60% needed more, 16% need less.
- Can dose 3x the individual dose 2/3rds as often. More aggressive than using the tables.

Table 1. Conversion from Immediate-Release Carbidopa-Levodopa to RYTARY

Carbidopa/Levodopa (mg)	RYTARY (mg)
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Duopa
carbidopa/levodopa
enteral suspension
4.63 mg/20 mg per mL

A B C D E
A LCIIG cassette
B Pump
C Connection
D Gastric port, PEG
E Intestinal tubing

CLES (duodopa) shows improved off time without increasing dyskinesias
Bypasses erratic gastric emptying
Continuous infusion
Can pulse dose
Requires bulky pump, refrigerated storage.

Duopa
carbidopa/levodopa
enteral suspension
4.63 mg/20 mg per mL

- Used in 40 countries.
- Some concern about peripheral neuropathy. B vitamins?
- 12 week double blind double dummy study
- 35 patients received LCIIG, 31 oral Sinemet
- *Catalan et al Mov. Disord, 2013* showed improvement in compulsive-impulsive behaviors
 - 8 of 8 patients with severe CIB improved
 - Punding improved
 - 21% less dyskinesia
 - 27% improved off time.
 - No controls
 - Patient were taken off oral l-dopa and/or agonists too

Olsson et al Lancet Neurol. 2014


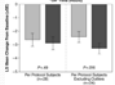
Approx 100 mg/1hr. Nyholm et al AAPS 2013

Enhancing l-dopa

- Entacapone increases $t_{1/2}$ 30-60 minutes, AUC by about 30%, about 40 minutes less off time less off time/day *Reviewed, Deane et al Cochrane 2004*
- Opicapone is qday dosing, not inferior to Comtan. *Reviewed, Rascol et al Mov Dis 2013*
- C/L + Ent ODM 101 (increased carbidopa) found 0.6 fewer off hours/day.
- Accordion pill (Intec); 12 hours of stomach retention, dosed BID and reduced off time versus QID IR.
- DM-1992, is a bilayer with IR and ER that showed reduction in off time dosed BID +1.3 IR (rescues) vs 4.8 + 0.2 doses of l-dopa. *Metman et al Mov Dis 2013*

Enhancing Levodopa


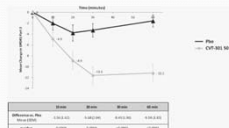
- Neuroderm, NDo612
 - 360mg infused SubQ/day in 6mL, per pump
 - Can be augmented with oral medications.
 - Phase II, FDA's hold was lifted in 5/2015. Israeli sites and Henry Ford (pending). MJFF funding.
- XP21279
 - Absorbed throughout the GI tract.
 - No difference in off time vs IR (3 doses vs 4-5 doses/day), but less plasma variation on PK studies.

LeWitt et al Mov. Dis. 2014

Levodopa

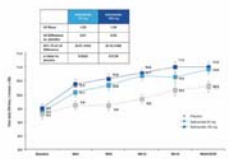
- Melevodopa
 - Metyler (liquid) allows more rapid/regular absorption. *Reviewed, Rancal et al Mov Dis 2013*
- Syngile/Dopafuse.
 - Device pumps C/L into the mouth continuously.
 - Phase 2a found reduced off time, company's website.
- Sensidose/Flexilev
 - Frequent microtablet dosing
- Acorda-CVT 301 program
 - Self-administered inhaled levodopa powder for rescue.
 - Peaks at 15 minutes
 - Onset 10 minutes, reducing off time 30%, no increased dyskinesia, used BID on average. Lasts about 100 minutes
 - Phase 3 trial on-going

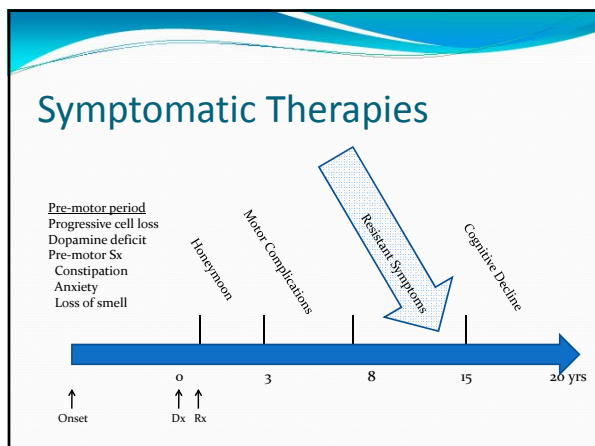
Borgohain et al Mov Dis 2014

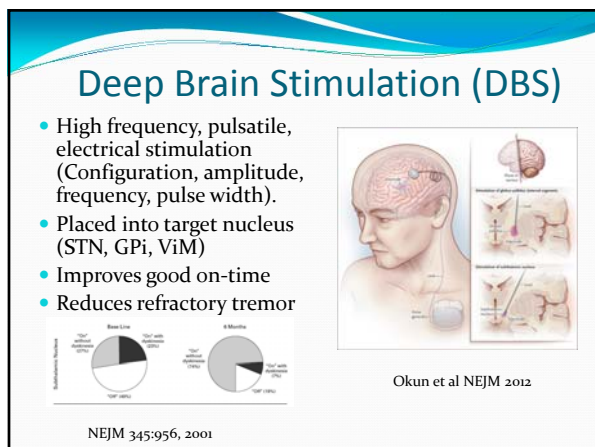
Treating Fluctuations

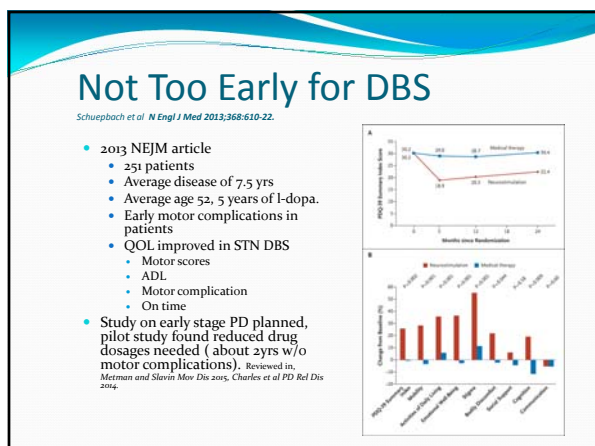
- Safinamide (Kadago)
 - Reversible MAO-B inhibitor
 - Na channel blocker, glutamate modulator
 - Improves off time without increased dyskinesia
 - F/U study found improved dyskinesia, depression, QoL at 24 months *Borgohain et al Mov Dis 2014*
 - Licensed in the EU for add-on therapy in PD.
 - Under review in the US
- ADS-5102/ ADAMAS
 - Long acting amantadine.
 - Peaks at 12 hours
 - 340mg qhs reduced dyskinesias by 27%, increased on time. *Fahn et al Mov Dis 2013*
- Eltopazine
 - 5-HT1a and B
 - Anti-dyskinetic in preliminary trials. *Andriyevskiy et al*
- Tozadenant/Biotie
 - A2A antagonist, (reduces thalamic activity).
 - Reduced off time 1.2 hr
 - Dyskinesia, nausea, dizziness *Heuser et al Lancet Neurol*
- Phase III on-going
- Istradefylline
 - Adenosine A2A antagonist
 - Reduced off time by about .75 hour/day. *Mizuno et al Mov Dis 2013*
 - Failed last attempt at FDA approval.
 - In Japan since 2013.



Borgohain et al Mov Dis 2014









Clearpoint

DBS-techniques


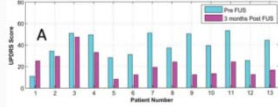
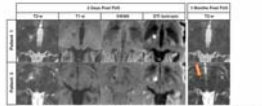
- GPI vs STN**
 - Recent study prefers STN for UPDRS improvement on secondary outcomes.
 - Improved off scores
 - Reduced drug doses
 - Reduced voltages and PW. *Oshtroff et al 2012*
 - Older studies reached no consensus except GPI may be better for cognition.
 - Tremor dominant patient's gait responds better to GPI, PIGD respond less well to DBS, otherwise targets are similar. *Katz et al Ann Neurol. 2015*
- PPN**
 - May be a future target for axial symptoms. FOG. Low frequency unilateral PPTG may be effective. *Montgomery et al 2014*
 - Results have been variable.
- Intra-operative CT**
 - Allows for guidance and MER
 - May have improved accuracy
 - Could try without MER under general anesthesia

- Intra-operative MRI Guided DBS**
 - Patient may remain asleep
 - Preferable to most
 - No microelectrode recording
 - No intra-op exam.
 - Burr hole moulded device, no frame.
 - Usually requires one pass (28/34 times).
 - Accounts better for brain shift after burr hole placement.
 - Latest studies using next generation system had all one pass, targeting error 0.6mm *(Oshtrom unpublished)*.
 - Specialty groups using it have been successful. *Oshtrom Clin. Neurol. Neurosurg 2015; Silbey et al Clin Neurol Neurosurg 2014.*

Lesioning

- FUS with MRI guidance could lead to focused lesioning.**
 - Seen success in ET thalamotomies.
 - One study in PD
 - Targeted unilateral pallido-thalamic tract.
 - Patients 1-4 received fewer session than 5-13. *Magon et al J. Ther. Ultrasound 2014*

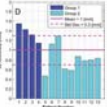
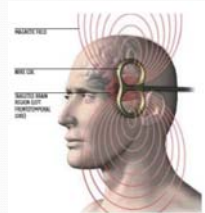


Figure 3 MRI imaging differences before and after FUS treatment. A: UPDRS scores for 13 patients. B: MRI scans showing the targeted unilateral pallido-thalamic tract. C: MRI scans showing the targeted unilateral pallido-thalamic tract. D: MRI scans showing the targeted unilateral pallido-thalamic tract.

Repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation.

- rTMS studies ongoing for PD.
 - High frequency over M1
 - Low frequency over the frontal area
- Literature review *Zanjani et al Mov Dis 2015; Chen et al J Clin Neurosci 2015*
 - No placebo effect seen?
 - Within one day, motor scores improved 3.8 points on UPDRS III
 - Longer term data is hard to interpret.
 - Thought to increase dopamine levels after M1 stimulation, plasticity?
 - More studies are needed.



Non motor symptoms?

- Psychiatric
 - Depression
 - Anxiety 56%
 - Apathy
 - Behavior
 - Impulse control problems
 - Panic attacks
 - Hallucinations, delusions, illusions
- Cognitive function
 - Concentration (3%)
 - Memory
 - Executive dysfunction
 - Delirium, dementia
- Sleep
 - Insomnia 37%
 - REM behavioral disorder
 - Sleepy during the day
 - Restless legs, PLMS
 - Non-REM parasomnias (wandering)
- GI
 - Drooling 36%
 - Nausea
 - Constipation
 - Abnormal swallow
 - Bloating
- Fatigue 58%
- Urinary 35%
 - Incontinence
 - Urgency
 - Going at night
- Cardiovascular/ dizziness
- Sensory
 - Abnormal sense of smell
 - Abnormal sense of taste
 - Vision trouble (blurred, double, reduced contrast)
 - Pain (leg 38%)
- Other
 - Change in weight
 - Sexual dysfunction
 - Falls*
 - Skin changes
 - Abnormal temperature regulation
 - Respiratory(cough/SOB)*

Droxidopa (Nortnera)

- FDA approval 2/2014, NE conjurer.
- Used in Japan for OH and freezing to 300mg TID since 1989.
- Action may be blocked by carbidopa/ enhanced by COMT-I
- Improved falls by 68%
- May have other central NE effects (fatigue, apathy, ADD)

FIG. 2. OHSA Item 1 changes from baseline in study nOH306B and study nOH306B overall (observed cases). *P < 0.05 versus placebo. ANCOVA. **P < 0.01 versus placebo. ANCOVA. BL, baseline; SE, standard error. Hauser et al Mov Dis 2014

Symptomatic Therapies

Pre-motor period
Progressive cell loss
Dopamine deficit
Pre-motor Sx
Constipation
Anxiety
Loss of smell

Onset

0 3 8 15 20 yrs

Dx Rx

Hemiparesis

Motor Complications

Resistant Symptoms

Cognitive Decline

Pimavanserin (Nuplazid)

- Phase III trial of Pimavanserin improved PD psychosis
- 5-HT_{2A} inverse agonist
- 40mg once/ day
- Motor function not worsened
- Global impression was improved. Cummings et al. Lancet 2014
- Another study planned, FDA granted breakthrough status 9/2014

The graphs show that the 40mg PIM group had significantly greater improvement in SAPI-PD (p=0.001), fewer positive hallucinations (p=0.037), and better cognitive function (p=0.001) compared to the placebo group over an 84-day period.

RESEARCH PAPER

Cholinesterase inhibitors for Parkinson's disease: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Category	Outcome	Participants (CI) / Placebo	Studies	Effect size (95% CI) random	Effect size (95% CI) random	p-value	Heterogeneity I ²
Primary end-point Efficacy	MMSE decline	100 / 94	3, 3, 4	MD -0.12 [-0.24 to -0.01]	0.003	88.4%	
	falls	31/109 / 26/109	1, 1, 4	OR 1.13 [0.42 to 3.07]	0.265	0%	
	falls	30/104 / 22/109	1, 4	OR 2.40 [1.03 to 5.17]	0.046	0%	
Secondary end-point Efficacy	ADADog	101 / 112	1, 1, 4	MD -0.20 [-0.37 to -0.03]	<0.001	0%	
	motor symptoms	107 / 101	1, 1, 4, 4	MD -0.07 [-0.14 to -0.01]	<0.001	0%	
	behavioral disturbances	101 / 112	1, 1, 4	MD -0.10 [-0.20 to -0.01]	0.010	0%	
Safety	Disability	104 / 101	1, 4	MD 0.10 [-0.01 to 0.21]	0.003	36.8%	
	falls	41 / 41	1, 1	MD 0.00 [-0.17 to 0.16]	0.988	0%	
	UPDRS motor part 3	1/100 / 10/100	1, 1, 4	MD -0.00 [-0.00 to 0.00]	0.007	0%	

J Neurol Neurosurg Psychiatry 2014;

Original Investigation

Combined Rasagiline and Antidepressant Use in Parkinson Disease in the ADAGIO Study

Effects on Nonmotor Symptoms and Tolerability

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Variable*	Estimated Change at Week 36*			95% CI	P Value
	Pooled Rasagiline	Placebo	Difference		
Depression	0.57 (0.07)	0.76 (0.07)	-0.19 (0.10)	-0.38 to -0.002	.048
Anxiety	0.76 (0.07)	0.87 (0.07)	-0.12 (0.10)	-0.31 to 0.08	.23
Agility	0.48 (0.07)	0.65 (0.06)	-0.17 (0.09)	-0.35 to 0.02	.07
Cognition	0.31 (0.04)	0.50 (0.03)	-0.20 (0.05)	-0.30 to -0.10	<.001
Daytime sleepiness	0.43 (0.07)	0.68 (0.06)	-0.24 (0.09)	-0.42 to -0.07	.006
PFS score	2.41 (0.06)	2.83 (0.06)	-0.42 (0.09)	-0.59 to -0.24	<.001
Sleep	0.75 (0.07)	0.65 (0.06)	0.10 (0.09)	-0.09 to 0.28	.30

