



ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE-RELATED DEMENTIAS SUMMIT 2019
RESEARCH CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

MARCH 14-15
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National Institute of
Neurological Disorders
and Stroke

NINDS Update & ADRD Summit 2019 Report



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Pathway to Dementia

Alzheimer's Disease

Multiple Potential Pathways to Dementia

Lifestyle Factors
 physical activity
 diet
 drug/alcohol abuse

Environmental Factors
 education
 head trauma
 toxins/other

Psychosocial Factors
 depression/anxiety

Aging

Genetic Factors
 Sex F>M

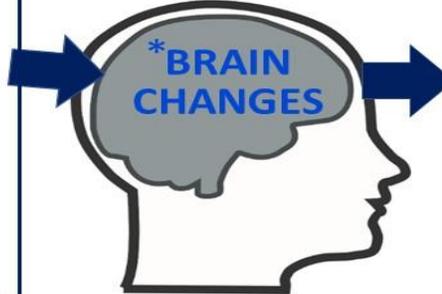
Other Medical Risks
 hypertension
 obesity
 stroke
 heart disease
 diabetes
 metabolic
 inflammation
 certain infectious diseases
 certain medications

Health Disparities Factors

***Misfolded proteins**
 amyloid
 tau
 alpha synuclein
 TDP-43

***Vascular Disorders**
 injury, infarct (stroke)
 white matter disease
 blood vessel disease

***Other Disorders**



Cognitive Impairment Including Dementia

Alzheimer's Dementia
 Lewy Body Dementias
 Vascular Dementias
 Frontotemporal Dementias
 Limbic Predominant TDP
 Mixed Dementias
 Other Cognitive Impairment
 Other Dementias

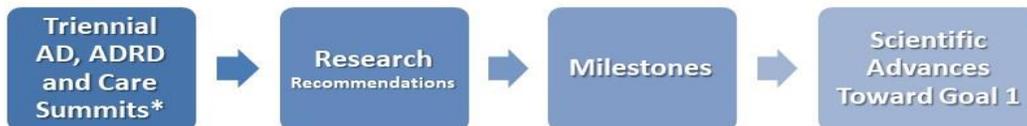
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 Julie A. Schneider, MD, MS, Rush University &
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The NINDS and NIA Collaborate on AD/ADRD Research

- NIA is the NIH lead for AD research and responding to the National Plan
- NINDS is the NIH lead for ADRD research (FTD, LBD, VCID), including ADRD Summits

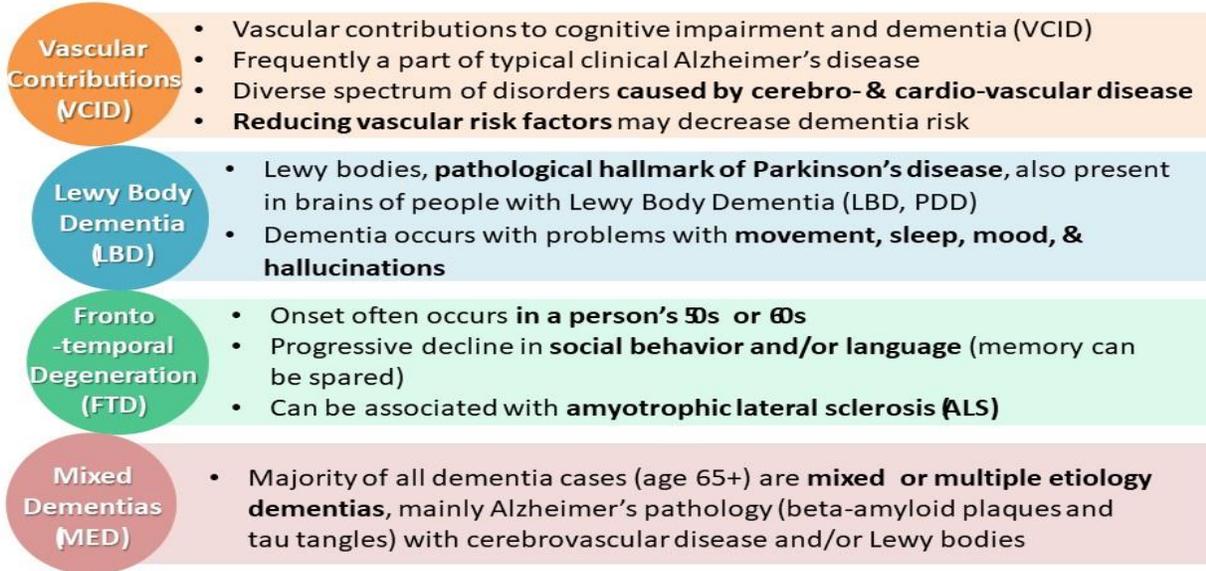
NAPA Goal 1: Prevent and Effectively Treat AD/ADRD by 2025



*Dementia Care Services Research Summit NIH/NIA, March 14-15, 2020

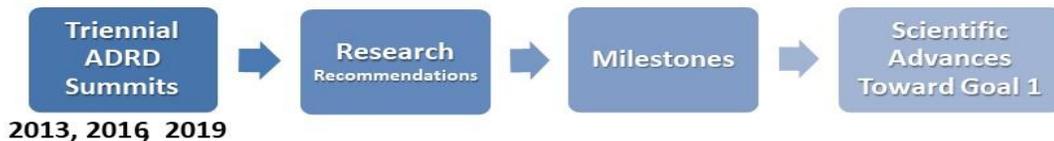
Alzheimer's Disease-Related Dementias (ADRD)

ADRD: Types of dementias that share cognitive and pathological features with Alzheimer's and/or commonly co-occur with typical Alzheimer's pathology



NINDS-Led Summits Shape ADRD Scientific Priorities

National Plan Action 1.A.6: NINDS to Regularly convene ADRD Summits to review progress & refine & add new ADRD research recommendations as appropriate based on scientific discoveries.



☐ ADRD Summit Scientific Chairs

- ❖ **Dr. Tom Montine** (2013)
- ❖ **Dr. David Holtzman** (2016)
- ❖ **Dr. Julie Schneider** (2019)

NIH Investment in AD/ADRD Research (Millions)

Fiscal Year:	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 (est.)
AD/ADRD	Category Not Yet Tracked	Category Not Yet Tracked	\$631	\$986	\$1423	\$1911	\$2468
Alzheimer's Disease	\$504	\$562	\$589	\$929	\$1361	\$1789	\$2305
Frontotemporal Dementia	\$32	\$37	\$36	\$65	\$91	\$94	\$98
Lewy Body Dementia	Category Not Yet Tracked	\$15	\$15	\$22	\$31	\$38	\$39
Vascular Contributions to Cognitive Impairment and Dementia	Category Not Yet Tracked	\$45	\$72	\$89	\$130	\$259	\$268

Source: https://report.nih.gov/categorical_spending.aspx

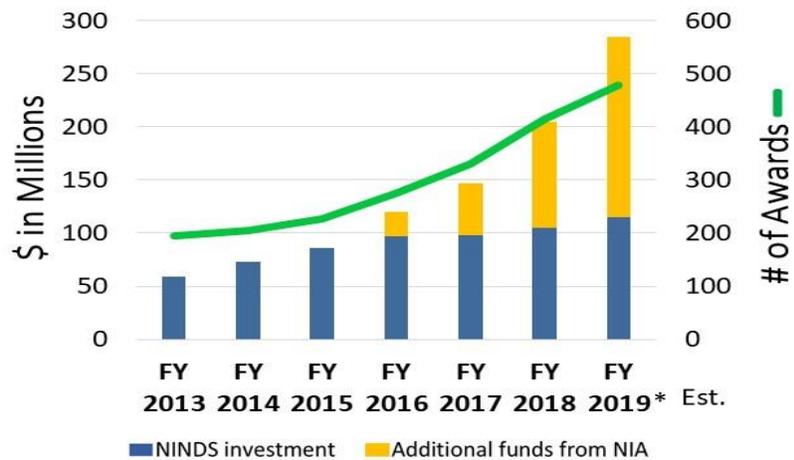


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AD/ADRD Funding Strategy at NINDS

Additional AD/ADRD funds from NIA are used by NINDS for:

- 1) Research Responsive to AD/ADRD Initiatives
 - FY19 (est.): \$112 M
- 2) Increased Investment in Investigator-Initiated AD/ADRD Research
 - FY19 (est.): \$58 M



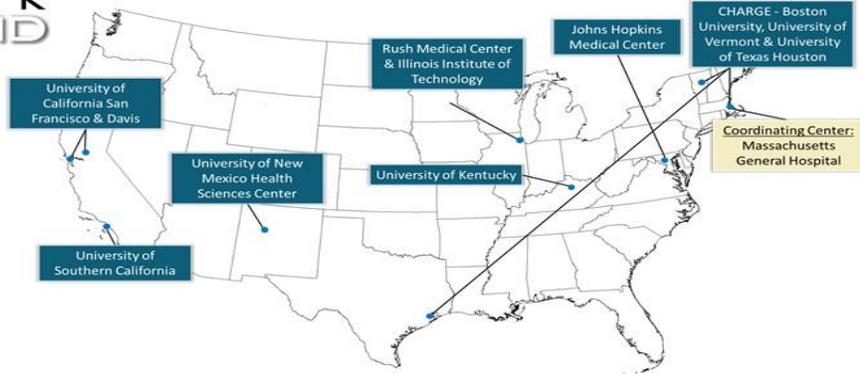
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Examples of ADRD Research Initiatives: VCID, MED



Mark VCID

- National consortium to develop and validate predictive, diagnostic, target engagement and progression biomarkers in human VCID including in clinical Alzheimer's and other mixed dementias



- National consortium with sites in Chicago, New York, and San Francisco
- Address the unmet need to detect cognitive impairment, including dementia in primary care across the United States
- Including in populations that experience health disparities
- Proposed clinical paradigms should utilize tools that are simple to use, standardized, and ideally take five-ten minutes or less to administer in a primary care clinical setting

Examples of ADRD Research Initiatives: FTD, LBD

Tau Center without Walls

- Interdisciplinary, multi-institute research
- Identification and validation of molecular mechanisms that contribute to tau toxicity associated with Frontotemporal Degeneration (FTD)
- 2 teams funded in 2016

West cWOW | East cWOW



WEST COAST
Linking tau proteostasis with neuronal activity in FTD

EAST COAST
Identifying genes & pathways that impact tau

Technology Platforms
GWAS, RNA Seq, Proteomics, Genome Editing, Mouse Genetics, IPSC

Human Biology Validation Cores

Data Coordinating Core

- ✓ Sample source
- ✓ Bioinformatics
- ✓ Identification
- ✓ Analytical method development

The Lewy Body Dementias Biomarker Initiative

- Supports hypothesis-driven clinical research to discover biomarkers
- 5 teams funded since 2016

Discovery

Validation

Clinical Utility

Qualification

Examples of NINDS AD/ADRD Trans-NIH Collaborations

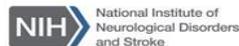
NINDS and **NIA** are funding natural history studies in FTLD

- Study of individuals with a clinical diagnosis of FTD to help determine the clinical, genetic and biomarker profiles
- Study of families that have one of the three most common gene variants that cause FTD to learn more about natural history



- 5 awards funded by **NIA** and **NINDS**
- **M2OVE-AD** aims to gain a deeper understanding of risk phenotypes and mechanisms of VCID

- **VCID Workshops** (5/2018; 11/2019)
- **Neuropathological Impact of Sleep Deficiency & Sleep Disorders** (8/2018 workshop)
- **AD Viewed as a Neurovascular Inflammatory Disorder** (4/2017 eBriefing)

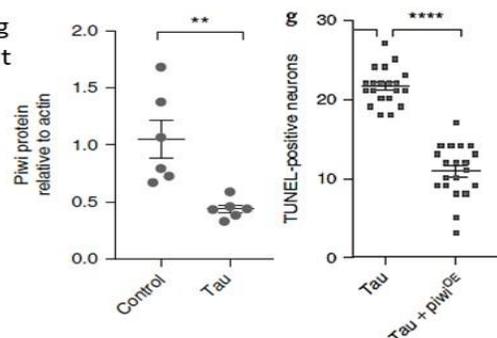


NINDS Investigator-Led ADRD Research is Increasing in Scale and Impact – Tauopathies (FTD, AD, PSP)

Pathogenic tau-induced piRNA depletion promotes neuronal death through transposable element dysregulation in neurodegenerative tauopathies

Wenyan Sun^{1,2,3}, Hanie Samimi⁴, Maria Gamez^{1,3}, Habil Zare³ and Bess Frost^{1,3,5*}

- 'Jumping genes' are ~45% of human genome
- Cells utilize defenses to limit this jumping, e.g.:
 - Piwi (nuclear protein) & small piwi-interacting RNAs (piRNA) help clear transposable element transcripts & keep chromatin condensed to prevent jumping
- Results suggest that tauopathy drives DNA decondensation, transposable element dysregulation (activation), and thus at a cellular level accelerates pathology
- *This identifies transposable element regulation as potential pharmacological target in tauopathy*



nature neuroscience 2018

NINDS ADRD Program: Summary

☐ NINDS leads triennial ADRD Summits (2013, 2016, 2019)

- Planning effort that: (1) Delivers ADRD Milestones to the DHHS National Plan to Address AD and (2) Informs AD Bypass Budgets

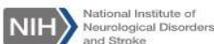
☐ NIH AD/ADRD budget has increased substantially; NIA shares AD/ADRD funds with the NINDS

- NIH ADRD research funding increased ~3-fold since 2015
- NINDS AD/ADRD portfolio increased ~3-fold since 2015
- NINDS has led 29 ADRD initiatives and programs since 2016
 - Including 11 NINDS ADRD initiatives in FY 2019
- 7 additional FOA concepts approved by NINDS Council for FY2020



NINDS FY 2020 ADRD Funding Opportunity Announcement Concepts

AD/ADRD	RFA-NS-20-005: Mechanistic Basis of TDP-43-Dependent Pathobiology in Common Dementias (R01)	Closed
IBD	RFA-NS-20-014: Peripheral Pathology in the Lewy Body Dementias (R01)	Closed
IBD	RAS-19-210: Progression Markers for Cognitive Impairment in FDD Progression Markers for Cognitive Impairment in Parkinson's Disease Dementia (R01)	Closed
VCID	RFA-NS-19-039: Mechanistic Basis of Diffuse White Matter Disease in VCID (R01)	Closed
VCID	RFA-NS-20-004: Molecular Mechanisms of Blood-Brain Barrier Function and Dysfunction in Alzheimer's Disease and Alzheimer's Related Dementias (R01)	Closed
VCID	RFA-NS-20-013: White Matter Lesion Biology of Dementia in the US, including in Health Disparity Populations (U19)	Active
VCID	RFA-NS-20-012: Clinical Trials Planning for Symptomatic Vascular Contributions to Cognitive Impairment and Dementia (VCID) (R34)	Active



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Special thanks for assistance with outreach to:

Alzheimer's Association
LEAD Coalition (Leaders Engaged on Alzheimer's Disease)
Lewy Body Dementia Association
Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration



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2019 ADRD Summit Planning

~ 6 months by >80 scientists, physicians, and administrators

- **Scientific Chair:** Julie Schneider
- **NIH/NINDS Summit Lead:** Rod Corriveau
- **Steering Committee:** S. Dickinson, L. Gitlin, D. Holtzman, E. Masliah, T. Montine, B. Obviagele, R. Petersen

Session Committees

- **Overarching:** MED; Health Disparities; Nomenclature
- **Disease-Specific:** LBD; FTD; VCID; Emerging Science

Summit Goals

- Present rationale, including scientific progress, for draft research recommendations
- Encourage discussion among group experts
- Solicit feedback and opinions from audience
- Modify recommendations based on feedback



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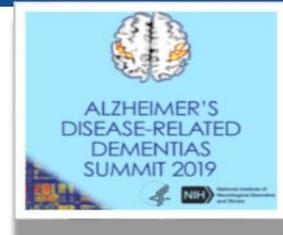
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- Accelerate Cure/Treatments for Alzheimer's Disease (ACT-AD) Coalition
- Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation
- American Stroke Association, a division of the American Heart Association
- CurePSP
- EIP Pharma
- The John A. Hartford Foundation
- WellMed Charitable Foundation

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Approved ADRD Summit Recommendations Become National Plan Milestones



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ADRD Summit 2019 Results

- FACA Committee-approved ADRD Summit 2019 Report
- FACA Committee-approved prioritized ADRD research milestones (47) with timelines that will:
 - ✓ Inform future NIH AD/ADR bypass budgets and, as appropriated funds become available, corresponding research activities.
 - ✓ Guide the AD/ADR research community generally, and as such, broad implementation and execution by various federal, national and international stakeholders will be vital to their impact.



Highlights of 2019 ADRD Recommendations

- **Central continuing themes across the 6 committees**
 - Biomarkers and Risk Profiles
 - Type of Research (Basic, Translational, Clinical)
 - Resource Infrastructure (biospecimens, bioinformatics, research tools, clinical trials)
 - Training and Workforce Needs
 - Nomenclature
- **Evolving and new recommendations**
 - MED: trials for reversible causes; bridge science/clinical practice gap
 - HD: policy relevant research and work force training in health disparities
 - Nomenclature: proposes process to achieve common nomenclature
 - VCID: Forward translation from basic science and reverse from clinical/trials
 - LBD: expanded basic science recs (further testing hypothesis of propagation)
 - FTD: Database resource
- **Expansion in topics**
 - New emerging topics session
 - TDP proteinopathy, Traumatic brain injury



Natcher Auditorium, NIH Campus, Bethesda, MD

Thursday, March 14, 2019

8:00 am **Welcoming Remarks and Introduction:** *Walter Koroshetz, MD, Director, NINDS*

8:10 am **Perspective:** *Laura Gitlin NAPA Chair*

8:20 am **Progress and Updating Research Recommendations**
Julie Schneider, MD, MS, Scientific Chair, and Rod Corriveau, PhD, NIH Summit Lead

8:40 am **Multiple Etiology Dementias – Diagnosing in the 21st Century**
Chairs: David Knopman, MD, and Kate Possin, PhD

10:40 am **Health Disparities in AD/ADRD**
Chairs: Lisa Barnes, PhD and Hector Gonzalez, PhD

1:20 pm **Lewy Body Dementias**
Chair: Bradley Boeve, MD and Carol Lippa, MD **NEW - Emerging Topics:**
***TDP-43 Pathology in Common Dementias**

3:20 pm **Dementia Nomenclature**
Ronald Petersen, MD, PhD and Angela Taylor, BMus ***TBI and AD/ADRD Risk**

Friday, March 15, 2016

8:00 am **Vascular Contributions to Cognitive Impairment and Dementia**
Chairs: Donna Wilcock, PhD and Jeff Williamson, MD, MHS

10:10 am **Frontotemporal Lobar Degeneration**
Chairs: Leonard Petrucelli, PhD and Adam Boxer, MD, PhD

12:40 pm **Emerging Scientific Topics**
Chairs: Kristen Dams-O'Connor, PhD and Julie Schneider, MD, MS

2:30 pm **Scientific Chair's Highlights and Cross-Cutting Themes**
Julie Schneider, MD, MS, Scientific Chair

**>3 Hours Open
Microphone Time**



Perspective on Prioritization of the Recommendations

1. All recommendations in the the report represent very important research goals.
2. Each committee was required to assign priorities starting at #1.
 - However, for a research recommendation to be included in this report, it must be among the top priorities in its field.
3. Timelines do not in any way reflect prioritization, but rather serve to guide planning and implementation logistics.
4. Finally, ordering of sessions in no way reflects prioritization – all sessions (MED, HD, NGO, LBD, FTLD, VCID, Nomenclature, Emerging Scientific Topics) are of equally high priority.



Multiple Separate Pathways AND Cross-Cutting Scientific Areas of Investigation Needed Across AD/ADRD

Protein aggregation and neurodegeneration
Protein clearance and degradation
Vascular mechanisms, hypoxia, neurovascular unit, BBB
Innate immune system and inflammation
Axonal and synaptic injury and repair
Circadian & sleep function/dysfunction
Neurogenetics
Systems and computational biology



Cross-Cutting Science

CRITICAL NEED for AD and ADRD biomarkers/risk profiles

Biomarkers that can discriminate underlying pathologies
assessment of pre-symptomatic and symptomatic
assessment of therapeutic response
clinical screening
pathology progression
cognitive progression

Need multiple biomarkers or markers of common processes

Role for genetic, person-specific, multifactorial risk profiles



Cross-Cutting

Health Disparities

Chairs: Lisa Barnes, Hector González



REC 1 – Priority 1. Generate and/or improve cognitive assessment tools for populations facing AD/ADRD health disparities (1-3 y)

REC 2 – Priority 1. Increase availability and utilization of harmonized culturally- and linguistically-valid assessment tools within ongoing and newly generated studies of AD/ADRD and cognitive health intervention trials (1-3 y)

Multiple Etiology Dementias



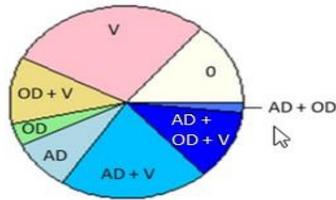
Chairs: Dave Knopman, Kate Possin

REC 1 – Priority 1. Detect whether cognitive impairment is objectively present when a patient, care partner, or clinician reports cognitive, behavioral, or functional changes (3-7 y)

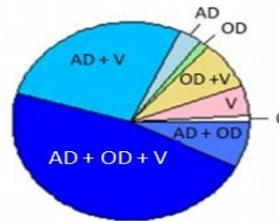
REC 3 – Priority 1. Advance basic & clinical research on common mechanisms of multi-etiology cognitive impairment and dementia (3-7 y)

Brain Pathology is Common Late in Life; Mixed Pathologies are the Rule in Common Dementias

**Clinical Diagnosis
No Cognitive Impairment
ROS/MAP (N = 360)**



**Clinical Diagnosis
Probable AD Dementia
ROS/MAP (N = 447)**



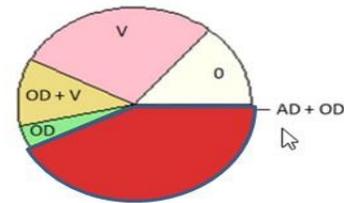
PIE CHART KEY:

AD = neuropathologic dx (plaques/tangles)
OD = other neurodegenerative pathology
 TDP – pathology beyond amygdala
 LB – neocortical pathology

V = vascular pathology
 -infarcts (macro/micro)
 -vessel disease (athero, arteriolosclerosis, CAA)
O = no pathology detected

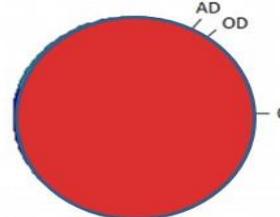
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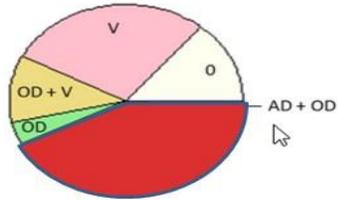


Dementia

Alzheimer's Disease (All)

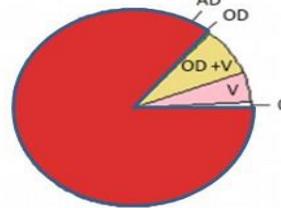
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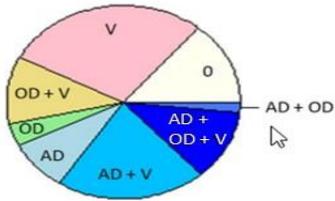


Dementia

Alzheimer's Disease (Pathological)

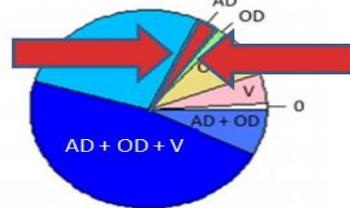
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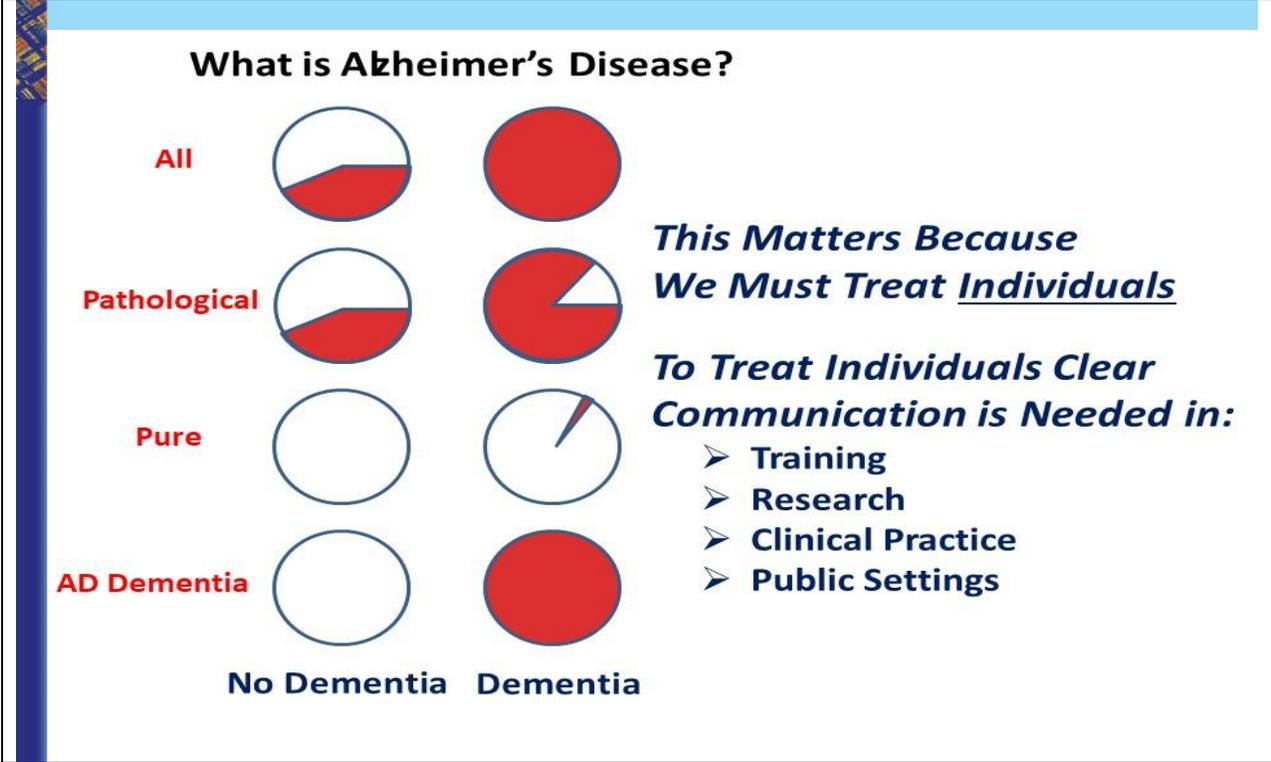
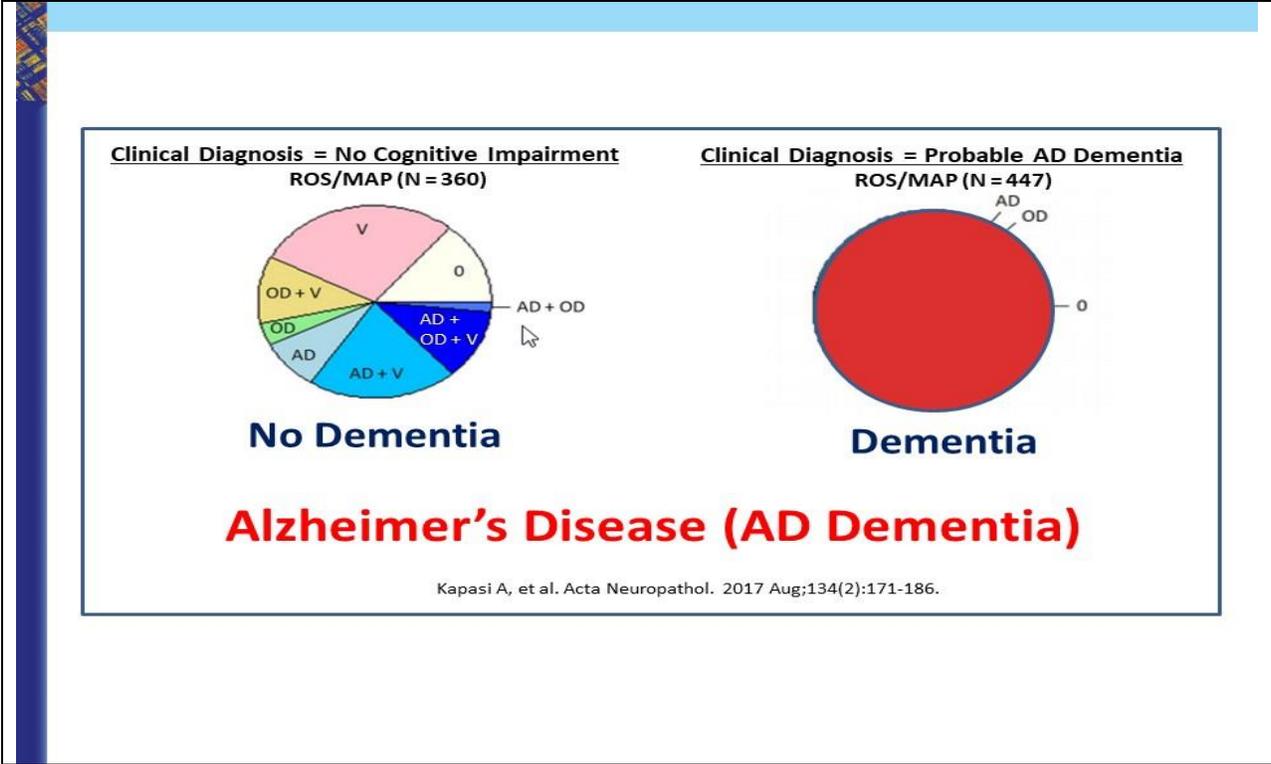
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Dementia

Alzheimer's Disease (Pure)

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Dementia Nomenclature Chairs: Angela Taylor, Ron Petersen

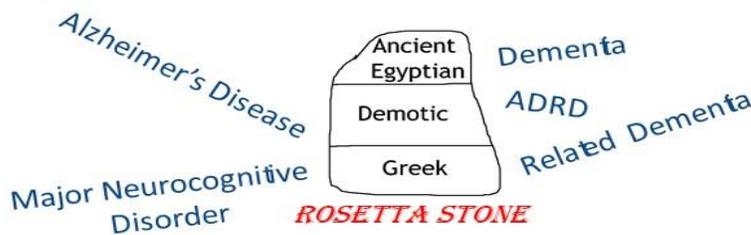


Focus Area 1: Dementia Nomenclature Working Groups

REC 1 – Priority 1. Form research, clinical practice and public stakeholder dementia nomenclature working groups (1-2 y).

Focus Area 2: Integration and Interoperability of Dementia Nomenclature

REC 2 – Priority 1. Integrate and refine recommendations from the Research, Clinical Practice, and Public Stakeholder Working Groups into standardized, acceptable and accurate nomenclature that works across the spectrum of stakeholders (2-4 y).



Dementia Nomenclature is now the topic of a NAPA Council Subcommittee led by Angela Taylor and Ron Petersen.



LBD Chairs: Bradley Boeve, Carol Lippa

REC 1 – Priority 1. Prepare for and initiate clinical trials that aim to alleviate or slow the course of LBD symptoms, and delay or prevent the onset of disease (1-7 y)

REC 5 – Priority 1. Biomarker development (3-7 y)

FTLD Chairs: Adam Boxer, Leonard Petrucelli

REC 1 – Priority 1. Clarify cellular and converging cellular mechanisms related to tau pathogenesis, C9orf72 hexanucleotide repeat expansions, GRN mutations, and other targets and pathways contributing to FTD neurodegeneration (2-10 y)

REC 5 – Priority 1. Develop FTD biomarkers for diagnosis, prediction and disease monitoring (2-7 y)

VCID Chairs: Donna Wilcock, Jeff Williamson

REC 1 – Priority 1. Develop next generation experimental models and translational imaging methods for VCID (3-5 y)

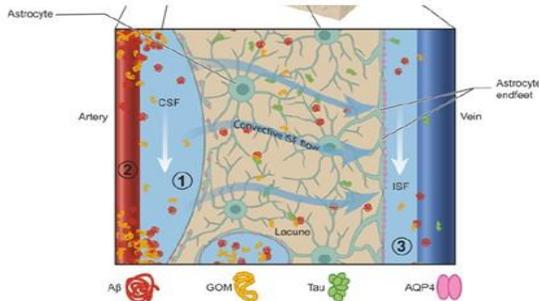
REC 4 – Priority 1. Develop, validate and longitudinally track: (1) cognitive, physical, or other functional assessment components that indicate the presence of VCID; (2) VCID biomarkers, including when VCID is accompanied by pathological AD (3-5 y)



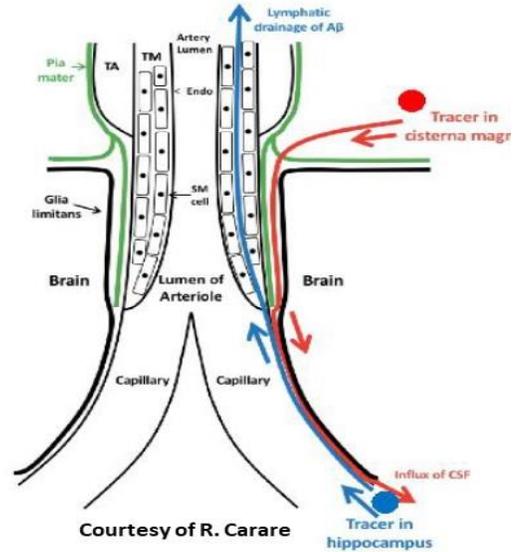
VCID: Lymphatic, Perivascular/Glymphatic

Perivascular spaces, glymphatic dysfunction, and small vessel disease

Humberto Mestre^{1,2}, Serhii Kostrikov⁵, Rupal I. Mehta^{1,2,3,4} and Maiken Nedergaard^{1,2,5}

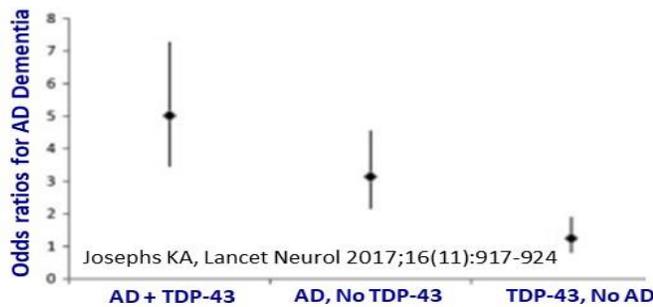


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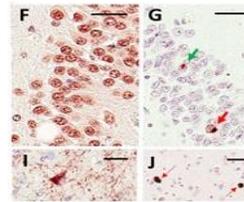


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Emerging Science: TDP-43 in Common Dementias

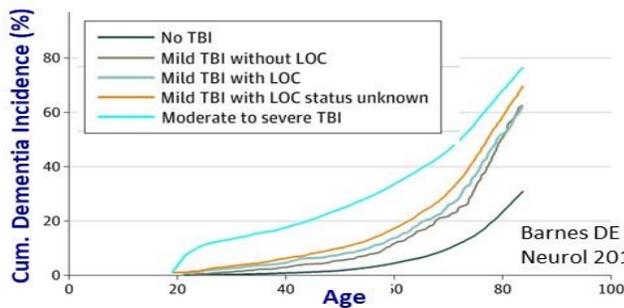


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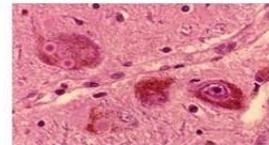


Nelson et al., Brain, Volume 142, Issue 6, June 2019, Pages 1503-1527

Emerging Science: TBI and AD/ADRD Risk



Barnes DE et al. JAMA Neurol 2018;75:1055



James BD, Brain 2016;139(11):2983-2993



Emerging Scientific Topics

Chairs: Kristen Dams-O'Connor, Julie Schneider

REC 1 – Priority 1. Develop biomarker/risk profiles to establish *in vivo* diagnostic criteria for TDP-43 pathology in persons without cognitive symptoms or amnesic syndromes (5-7 y)

REC 5 – Priority 1. Encourage cross-talk and interdisciplinary collaboration between TBI and dementia researchers (1-3 y)



All recommendations in the NINDS Council-Approved ADRD Summit 2019 Report represent critical national research pathways that are top scientific priorities toward the goal of achieving effective prevention and treatment of AD and ADRD

On behalf of the committee co-chairs, members, and with input from multiple stakeholder and the public, we respectively submit the ADRD Summit 2019 Report and Milestones to the NAPA Council.

Questions? Comments?

HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE IS EVEN RISKIER

Stroke and dementia are more likely to affect people with high blood pressure.
Understand the links and learn what you can do to minimize your risk.

