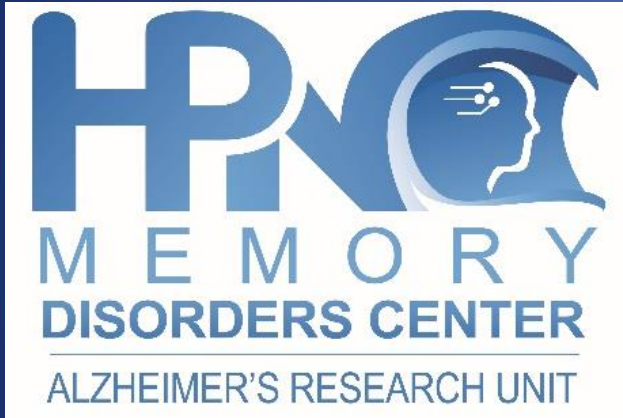


Sorting out Myths & Facts Alzheimer's New Treatments



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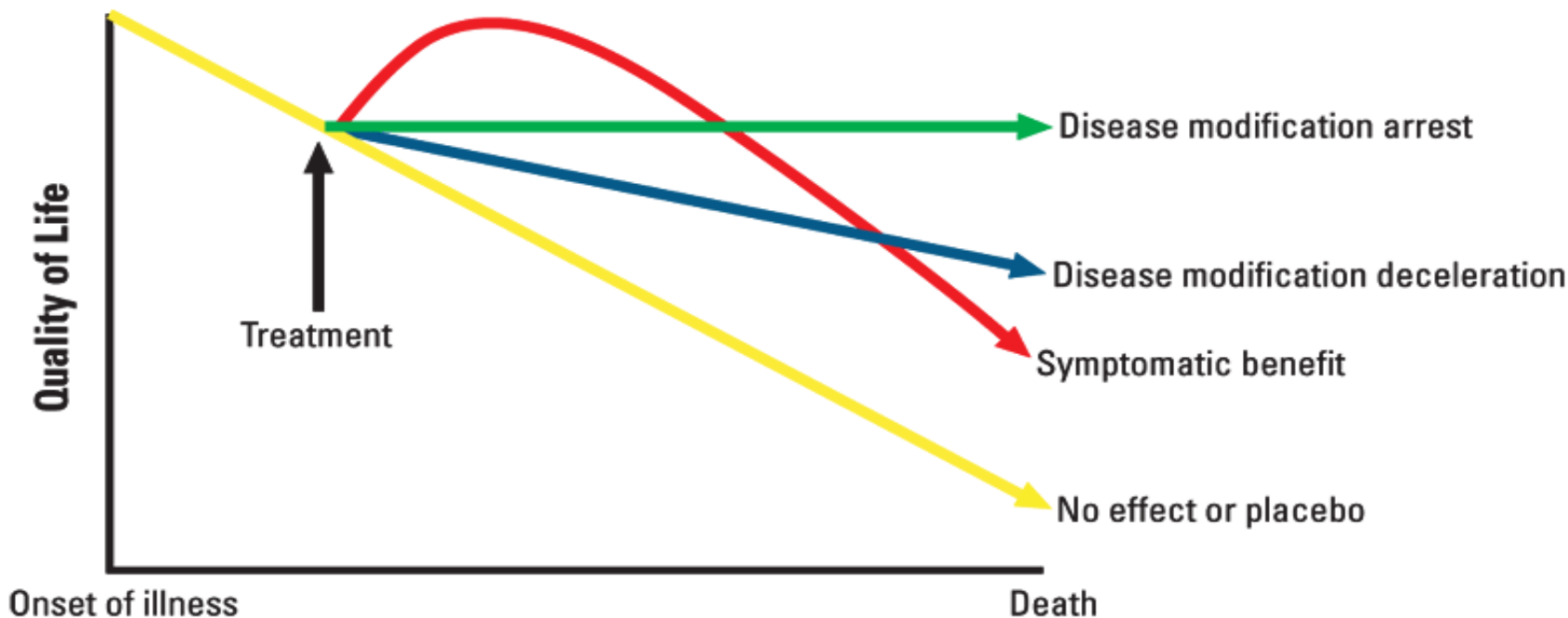
Objectives

1. What is Leqembi and how is it different from Aduhelm?
2. What do I need to know about ARIA?
3. Who is Leqembi indicated for and Who would NOT be suitable?
4. What are the barriers and challenges for developing better AD treatment?
5. What does the future look like?

Why all the excitement?

How are they different?

FIGURE
DISEASE MODIFICATION VERSUS SYMPTOMATIC BENEFIT
IN THE TREATMENT OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE



Disease Modifying Treatments
(Targeting Biology)

VS

Symptomatic Treatments
(Treat Symptoms)

Donepezil (Aricpet)

Rivastigmine (Exelon)

Galantamine (Razadyne)

Memantine (Namenda)

Namzaric (Combo)

FDA full approval July 6

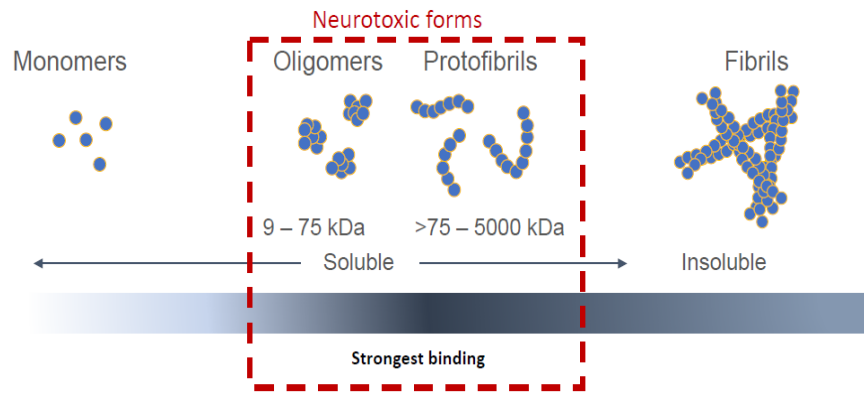
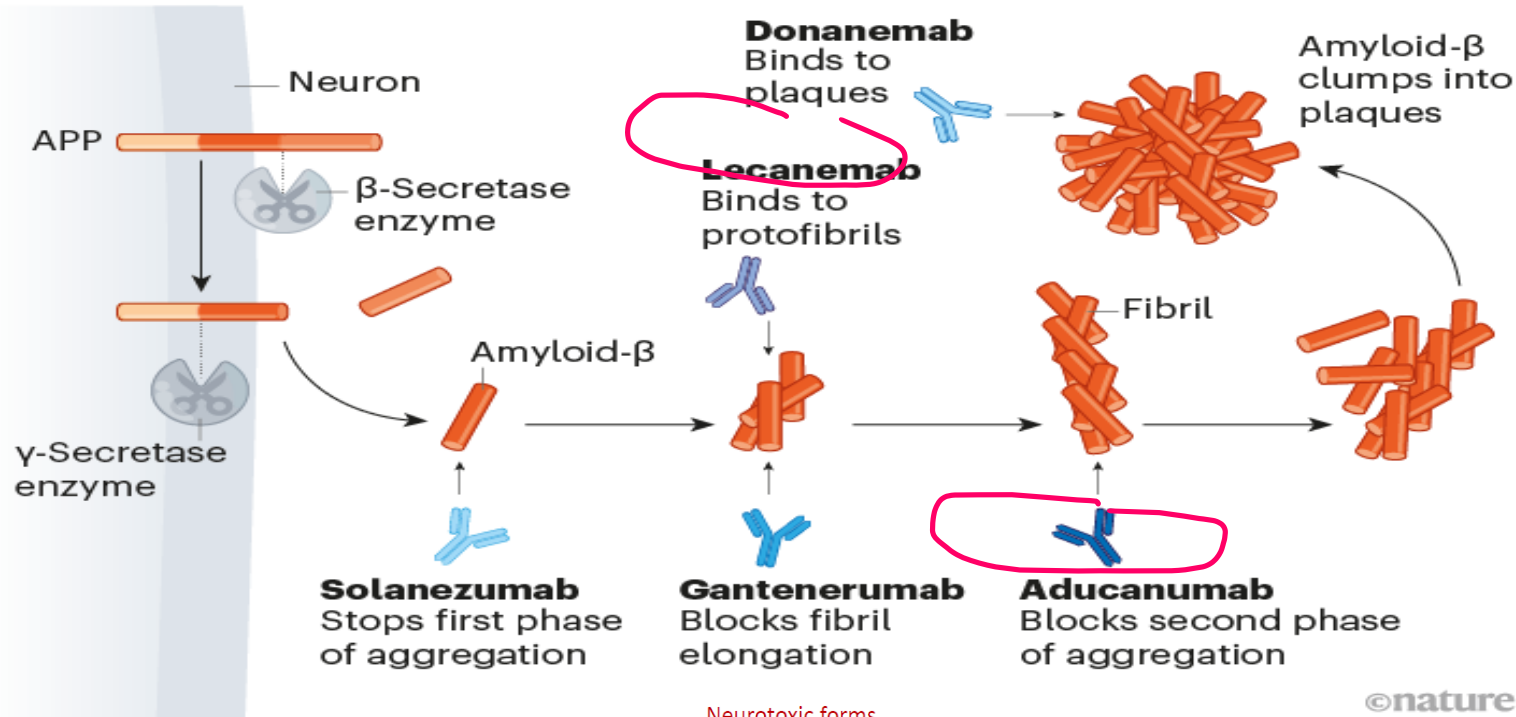
What is Lecanemab?

How is it different from
Aducanumab?



ANTIBODIES AGAINST AMYLOID

Several clinical trials are testing whether drugs called monoclonal antibodies can stem the symptoms of Alzheimer's by preventing the toxic clumping of amyloid- β proteins. This process starts when enzymes cleave the amyloid precursor protein (APP). Amyloid- β proteins elongate into fibrils and then nucleate into plaques. All of the drugs bind to amyloid- β , but their primary targets in the process are different.



Monoclonal Antibody

Aducanumab
(Aduhelm) 2021

Lecanemab
(Leqembi) 2023

Credit: Nik Spencer/*Nature*

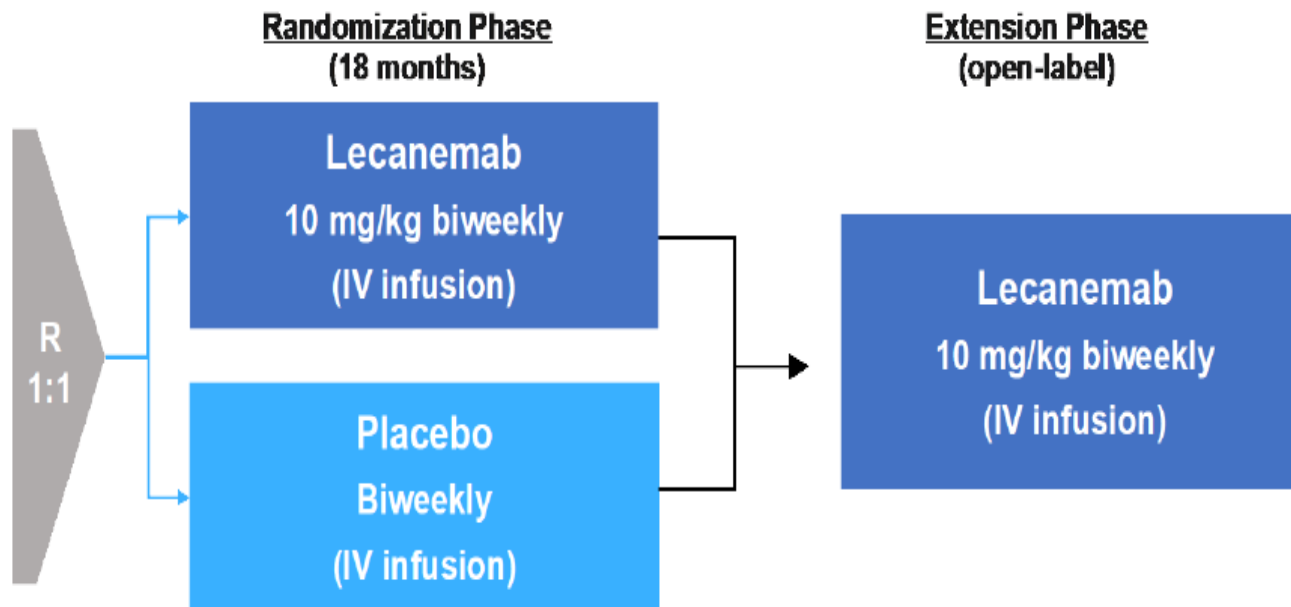
Lecanemab (Leqembi)

Phase 3 Clarity BAN Study - Site 2109 – HI Mem Ctr

Clarity AD is a global, placebo-controlled, double-blind, parallel-group, randomized study

Patient Population

- 1,795 patients with Early AD
- MCI due to AD or mild Alzheimer's dementia
- Amyloid pathology confirmed
- MMSE score between 22 and 30 at screening and baseline
- WMS-IV LMSII ≥ 1 SD below age-adjusted mean at screening



Randomization Phase Primary Outcome Measure:

CDR-SB: Change from Baseline at 18 months

Key Secondary Outcome Measures:

Change from Baseline at 18 months:
Amyloid PET
ADAS-Cog14
ADCOMS
ADCS MCI-ADL

Extension Phase Primary Outcome Measures

Number of Participants with TEAEs
Change from Core Study Baseline in CDR-SB

Aducanumab (Aduhelm)

Phase 4 ENVISION Trial—Site 1005 – Hawaii Mem Ctr

Aducanumab Phase 3 studies EMERGE and ENGAGE

Studies	Two 18-month, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, Phase 3 studies
Geography/ sample size	3285 patients at 348 sites in 20 countries
Population	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Early Alzheimer's disease (MCI due to Alzheimer's disease + mild Alzheimer's disease dementia)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MMSE 24-30, CDR-GS 0.5, RBANS DMI score ≤ 85• Confirmed amyloid pathology
Doses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Two dosing regimens (low and high dose) and placebo; randomized 1:1:1
Primary endpoint	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Change from baseline in CDR-SB score at 18 months
Other endpoints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Secondary: MMSE, ADAS-Cog 13, ADCS-ADL-MCI▪ Tertiary (efficacy): NPI-10▪ Sub-studies: amyloid PET, tau PET, CSF disease-related biomarkers



Countries with active sites included:

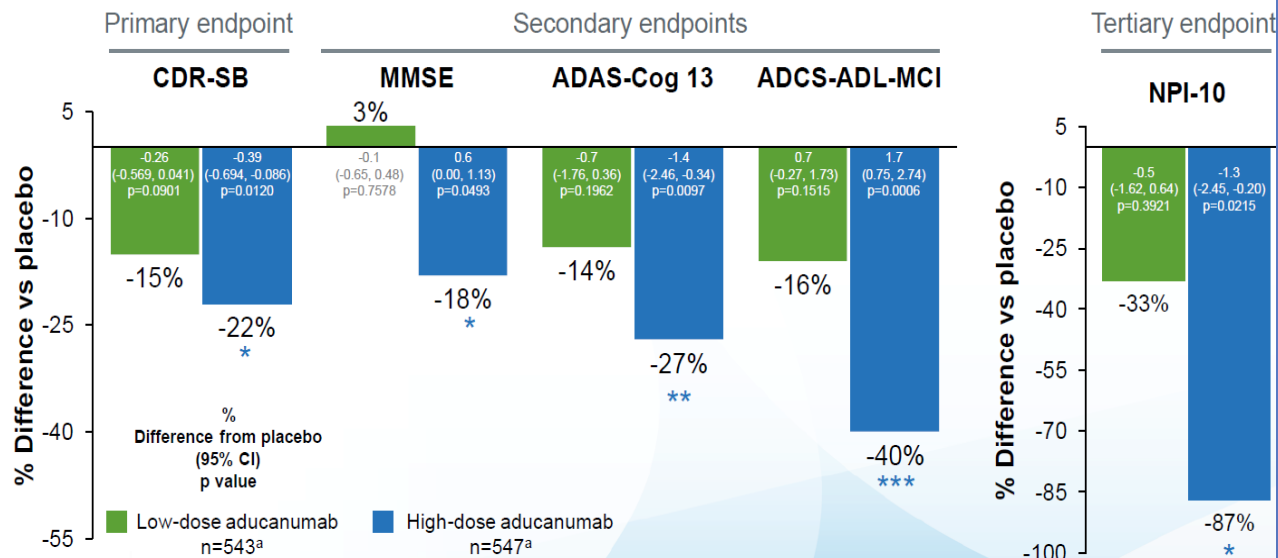
Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, United Kingdom, United States

What are the Results? Memory Improved?

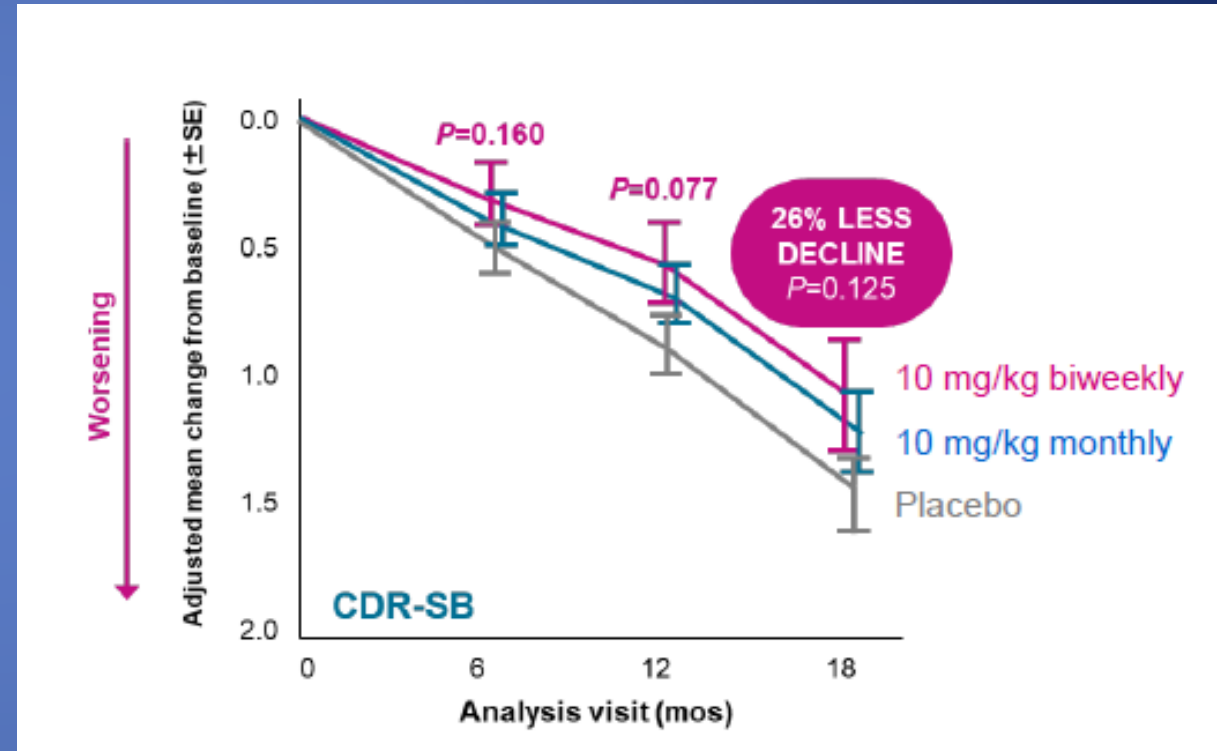
CDR-SB : Aducanumab 22%, Lecanemab 26%

EMERGE: Clinical endpoints at Week 78

High dose aducanumab met all clinical endpoints assessing cognition, function and behavior at Week 78



^a n=numbers of randomized and dosed patients included in the analysis. *p <0.05, **p <0.01, and ***p <0.001 compared with placebo (nominal for NPI-10). ADAS-Cog 13, Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Scale-Cognitive Subscale (13-item); ADCS-ADL-MCI, Alzheimer's Disease Cooperative Study-Activities of Daily Living Inventory (mild cognitive impairment version); CDR-SB, Clinical Dementia Rating; CI, confidence interval; MMSE, Mini-Mental State Examination; NPI-10, Neuropsychiatric Inventory (10-item).

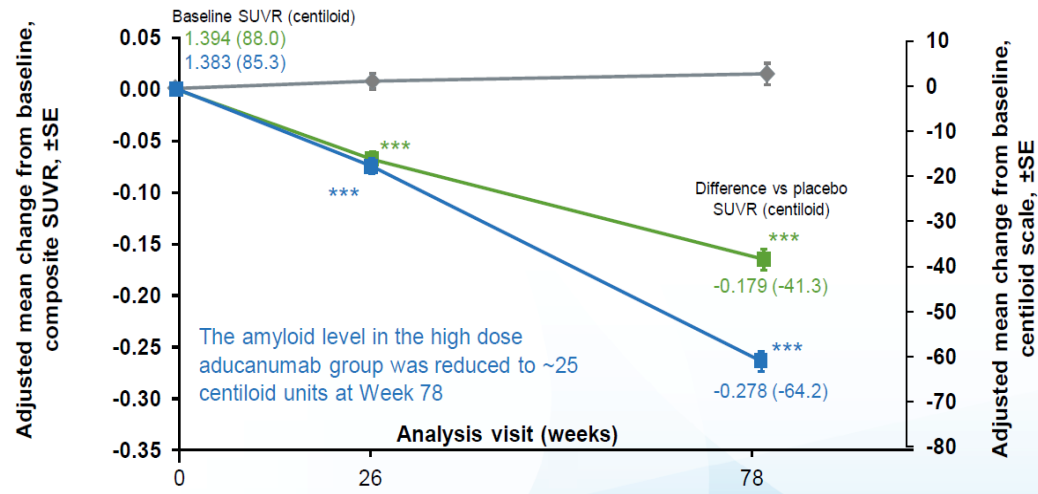


CDR Sum-of-Boxes score (CDR-SB), an 18-point scale measuring cognition (memory, orientation, judgment, and problem solving) and function (community affairs, home and hobbies, personal care)

Does it work? Reduction in Amyloid Load

Aducanumab 75%; Lecanemab 93%

EMERGE: Amyloid PET showed dose- and time-dependent reduction in β -amyloid pathology with aducanumab

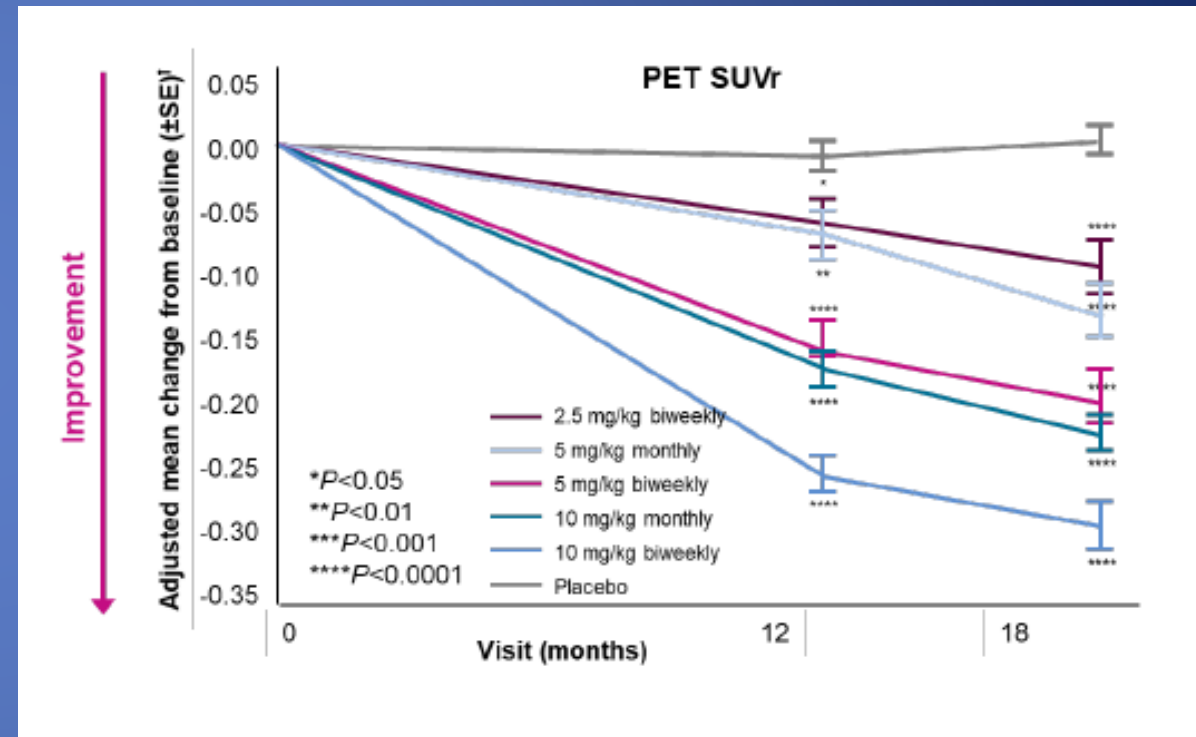


Placebo	n=159	129	93
Low-dose adu	n=159	129	100
High-dose adu	n=170	138	109

¹⁸F-florbetapir amyloid PET analysis population. ***p<0.001 compared with placebo (nominal). Values at each time point were based on an MMRM model, with change from baseline in MMSE as the dependent variable and with fixed effects of treatment group, categorical visit, treatment-by-visit interaction, baseline SUVR, baseline SUVR by visit interaction, baseline MMSE, Alzheimer's disease symptomatic medication use at baseline, region, and laboratory ApoE $\epsilon 4$ status.

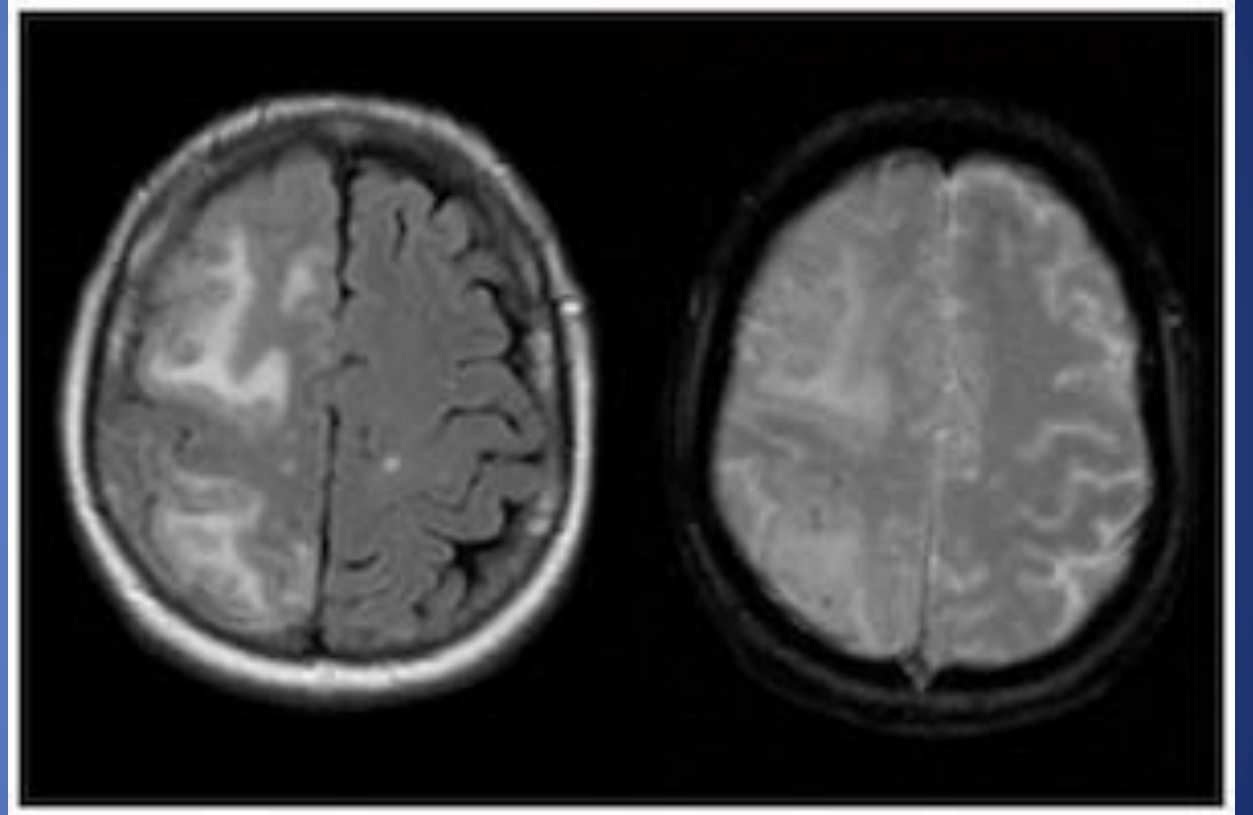
adu, aducanumab; ApoE, apolipoprotein E; MMRM, mixed model for repeated measure; MMSE, Mini Mental State Examination; PET, positron emission tomography; SE, standard error; SUVR, standardized uptake value ratio.

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ARIA

What do I need to know about ARIA (Amyloid Related Imaging Abnormality)?



Is it Safe? What are the Side Effects - ARIA

Aducanumab 28% vs Lecanemab 17%

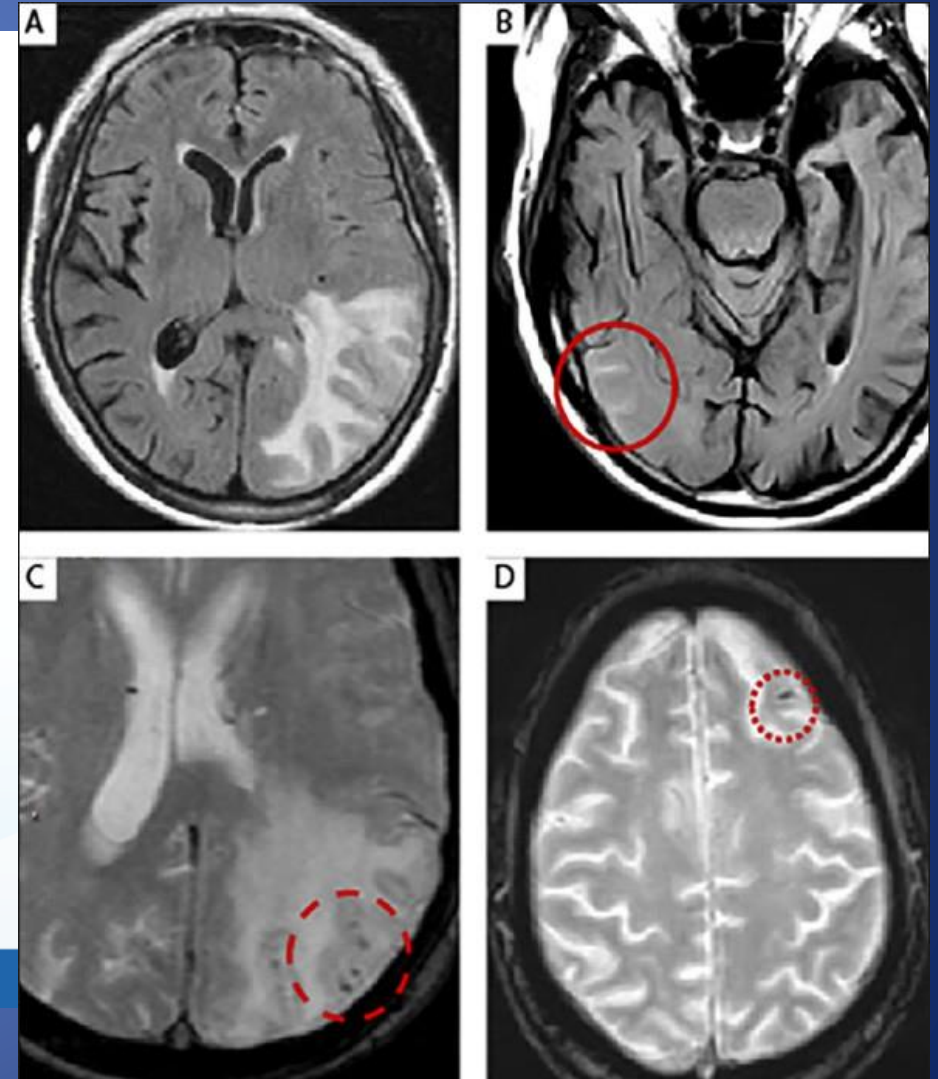
Amyloid-related imaging abnormalities (ARIA)

ARIA refers to radiographic abnormalities observed with anti-A β antibodies

- ARIA-Edema (ARIA-E) refers to brain vasogenic edema or sulcal effusion
- ARIA-Hemorrhage (ARIA-H) refers to brain microhemorrhages or localized superficial siderosis

ARIA may result from increased cerebrovascular permeability as a consequence of antibody binding to deposited A β

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ARIA – Dose, E4 Risk, Asymptomatic - headache

Anti-amyloid antibody	ApoE genotype	Incidence of ARIA-E (%)	Incidence of ARIA-H/siderosis (%)
Aducanumab (35)	ε4/ε4	64	41/33
	ε4/-	36	17/14
	-/-	20	12/6
Lecanemab (3)	ε4 positive	14.3	13.1
	ε4 negative	8.0	4.6
Donanemab (5)	ε4/ε4	44.0	
	ε4/-	30.0	19.8/17.6 (all genotypes)
	-/-	11.1	
Gantenerumab (105 mg) (6)	ε4/ε4	10.7	32.0
	ε4/-	5.4	19.8
	-/-	1.8	12.3
Gantenerumab (225 mg) (6)	ε4/ε4	?	?
	ε4/-	15.0	19.4
	-/-	11.0	11.0

Incidence of ARIA-E and -H by ApoE genotype. ARIA-E and -H may have occurred concurrently in some individuals. [?] indicates data not available.

Sign/Symptom	Aducanumab (2)	Lecanemab (4)	Donanemab (5)	Gantenerumab (6)
Headache (%)	13	12.5	7.6	9.6–12.5
Dizziness (%)	4	8.3	8.4	7.7–10.4
Confusion/altered mental status (%)	5	?	?	?
Visual disturbance/eye disorders (%)	2	?	?	5.9–8.8
Nausea (%)	2	8.3	10.7	?
New onset seizure(s) (%)	?	?	?	?

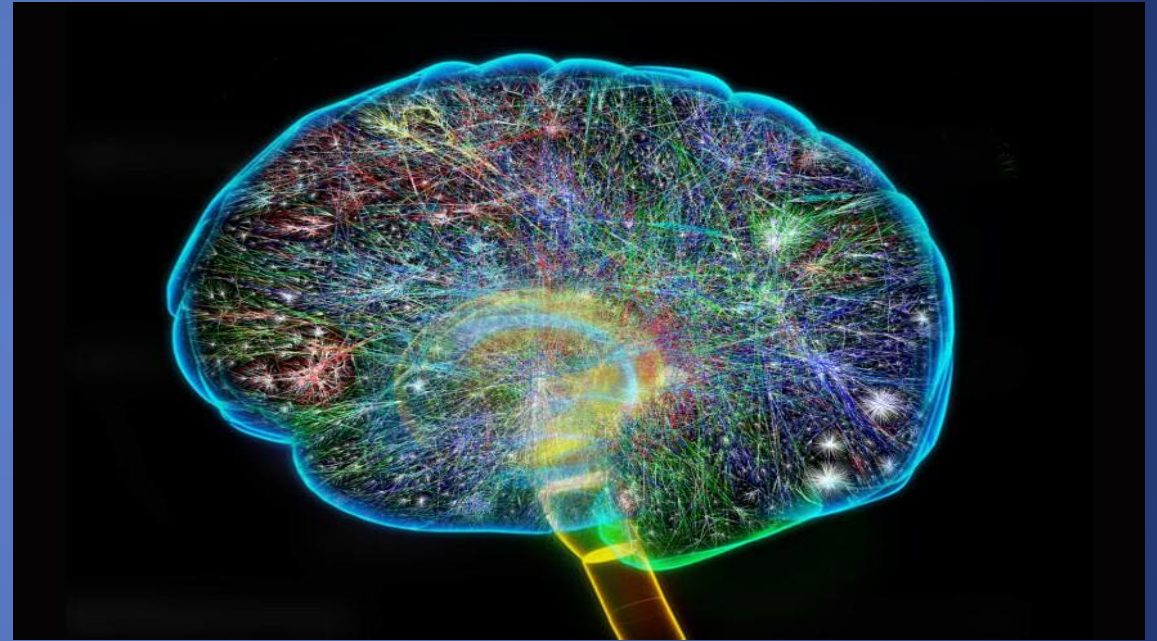
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Case Studies

Who is Lecanemab indicated for

Who would NOT be suitable?



INDICATION

- LEQEMBI is indicated for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease. Treatment with LEQEMBI should be initiated in patients with mild cognitive impairment or mild dementia stage of disease, the population in which treatment was initiated in clinical trials. (MMSE 22 and above)

Uncle Waikiki

- 71 retired Chinese engineer
- Hypertension
- Prediabetic

MMSE 23

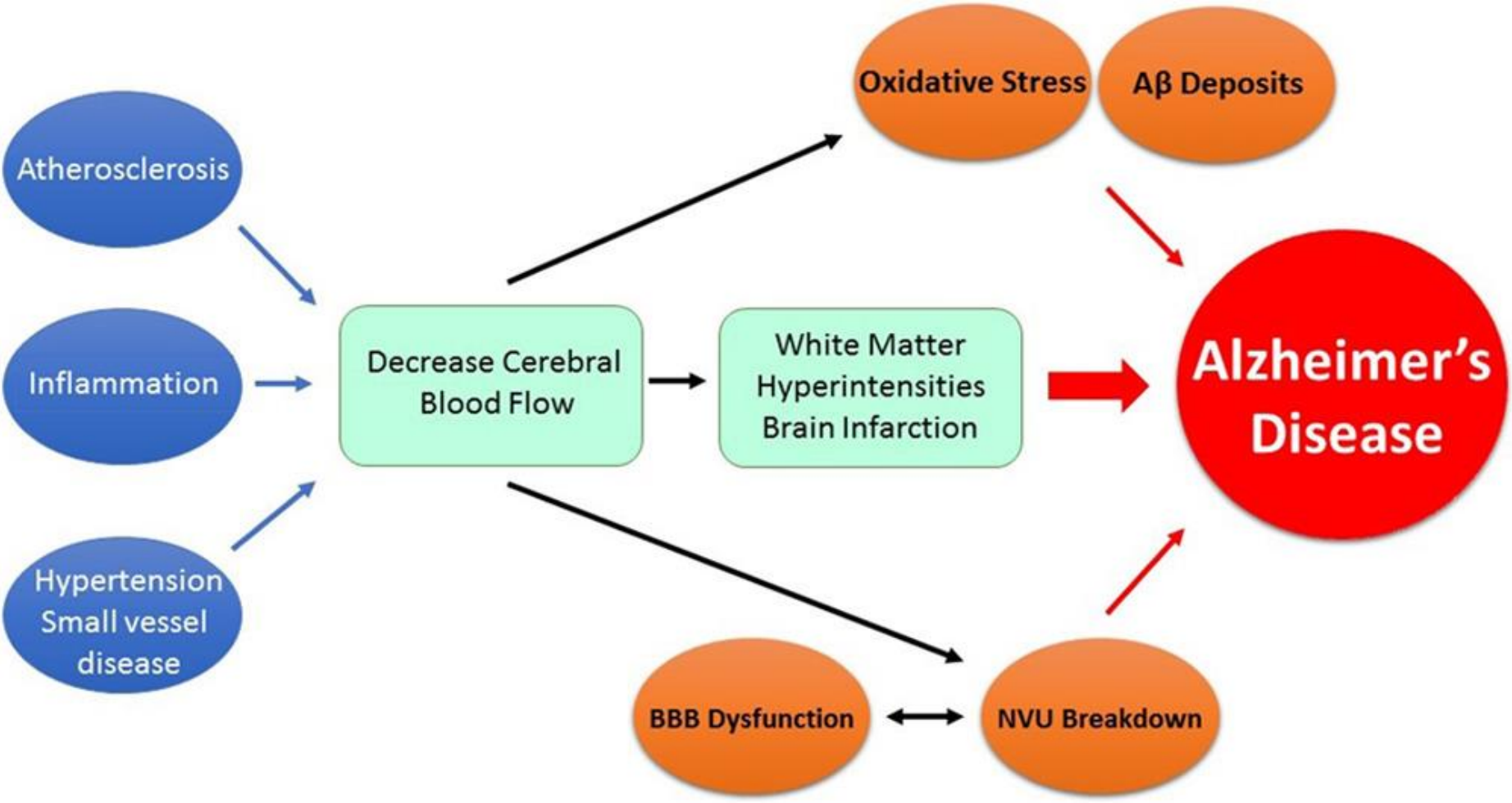
E4/E4

- Memory Loss since age 68
- Still active and travels
- Family history of AD in mother & older brother

MRI noted

- Significant small vessel disease
- Chronic small lacunar infarcts cerebellar
- Cerebral amyloid angiopathy

Glucose metabolism, Inflammation, oxidative stress results in Vascular Dysfunction plays a role in AD



Metabolism - Bioenergetics Pathway

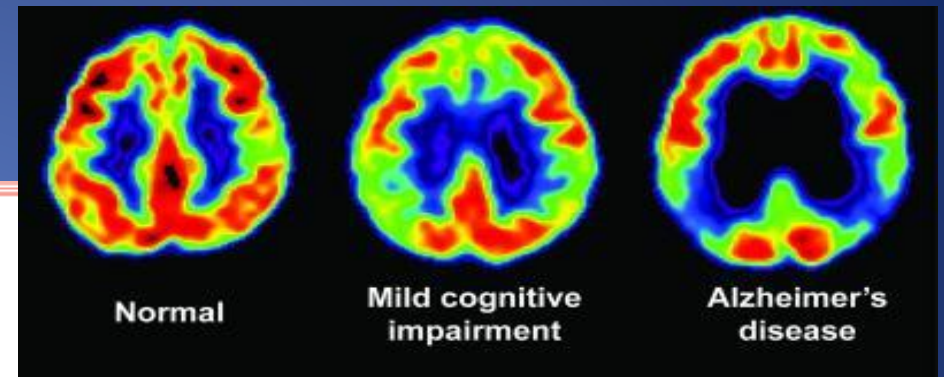
Glucose Metabolism – Link with Cognitive Function

- Diabetics Have 2-Fold Increased Risk of Getting AD
- Almost 70% of diabetics ultimately develop AD
- 37% of AD Patients are Diabetic (vs. 9.4% General Population)
- Multiple Similarities of AD & Type 2 Diabetes: The Common Theme is Insulin Resistance
 - Cognitive Decline
 - Neurodegeneration
 - Amyloid Aggregation and Deposition
 - Inflammation

• Clinical Symptoms of AD Do Not Occur Without Decrease

• Association: Elevated Blood Sugar > Memory Problems

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NIH Funded Phase 2 T3D (Type 3 Diabetes) PIONEER Study Site 164 – Hawaii Memory Ctr

T3D-959: A Unique Dual PPAR Agonist to Restore Brain Metabolism

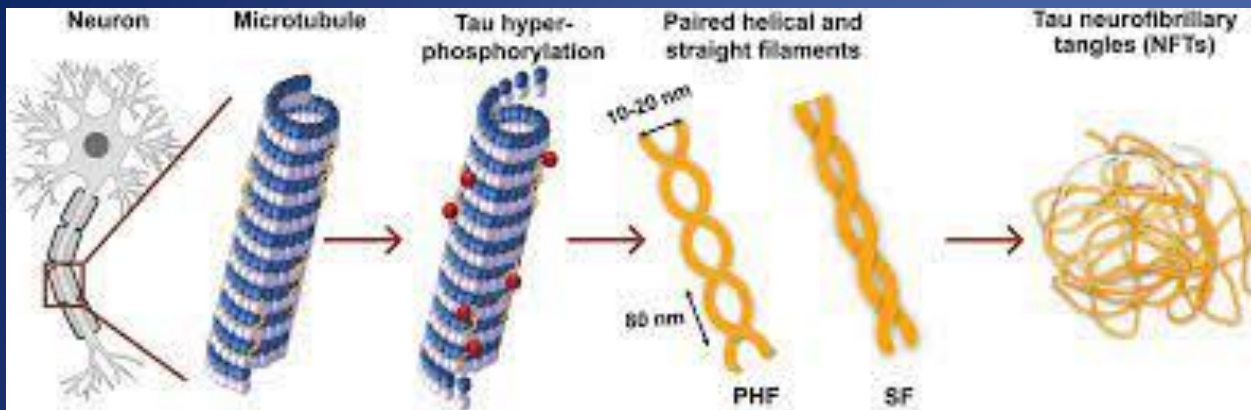
Primary Target is PPAR δ (delta), (peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor)

Secondary Target is PPAR γ (gamma)

- PPAR δ (energy expenditure) and PPAR γ (energy storage) are master regulators of metabolic homeostasis
- Unique PPAR selectivity > distinctive activity profile > central regulator of both glucose and lipid metabolism
- Only drug in development for AD with PPAR δ as a primary target, a target found throughout the brain
- Optimal dosing: Orally delivered as a once-a-day capsule
- Accesses the brain – penetrating the blood brain barrier
- Excellent safety profile

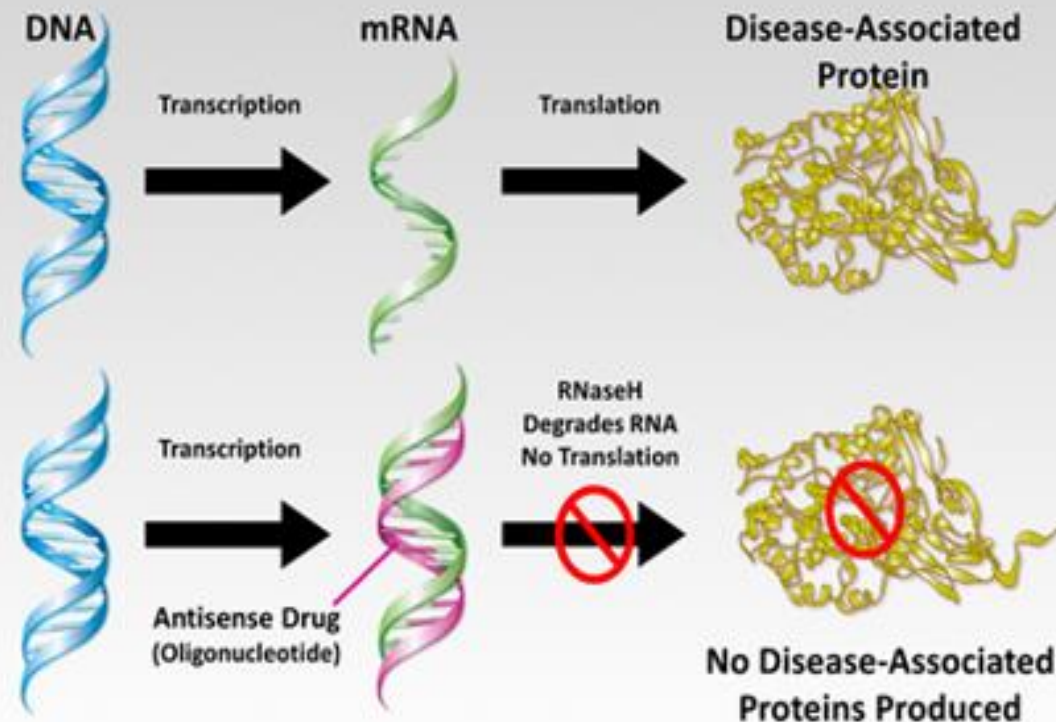
Mr. Kona

- 66 yo retired reporter from Oregon now lives in Kona
- Travels quite a bit and just got back from a cruise with wife
- History of DVT while flying
- Takes Xarelto when travelling
- Family history: None
- MMSE 25
- E2/E3
- MRI disproportional atrophy
- Does not want to have IV Infusion every 2 weeks



Phase 1b/2 BII080- CELIA 247 AD201
 Site 1030 – HI Mem Ctr
 MMSE > 22

Antisense Oligonucleotide Therapy



TAU ASO (Antisense Oligonucleotide) Therapy
 -binds to & reduce MAPT (Microtubule associated protein Tau) mRNA

(-) Translation of Tau Proteins expression

Intrathecal Q 3 months

Auntie Kapolei

- 83 yo retired Japanese Teacher
- Forgetful since age 77
- Asking same questions again and again
- Brought in by family
- Denies any issues
- MMSE 18
- E2/E2
- MRI: Significant diffuse cortical atrophy - medial temporal
- FH: AD in mother and father

NIH Funded Phase 2 ATH 1017 Synaptic Plasticity

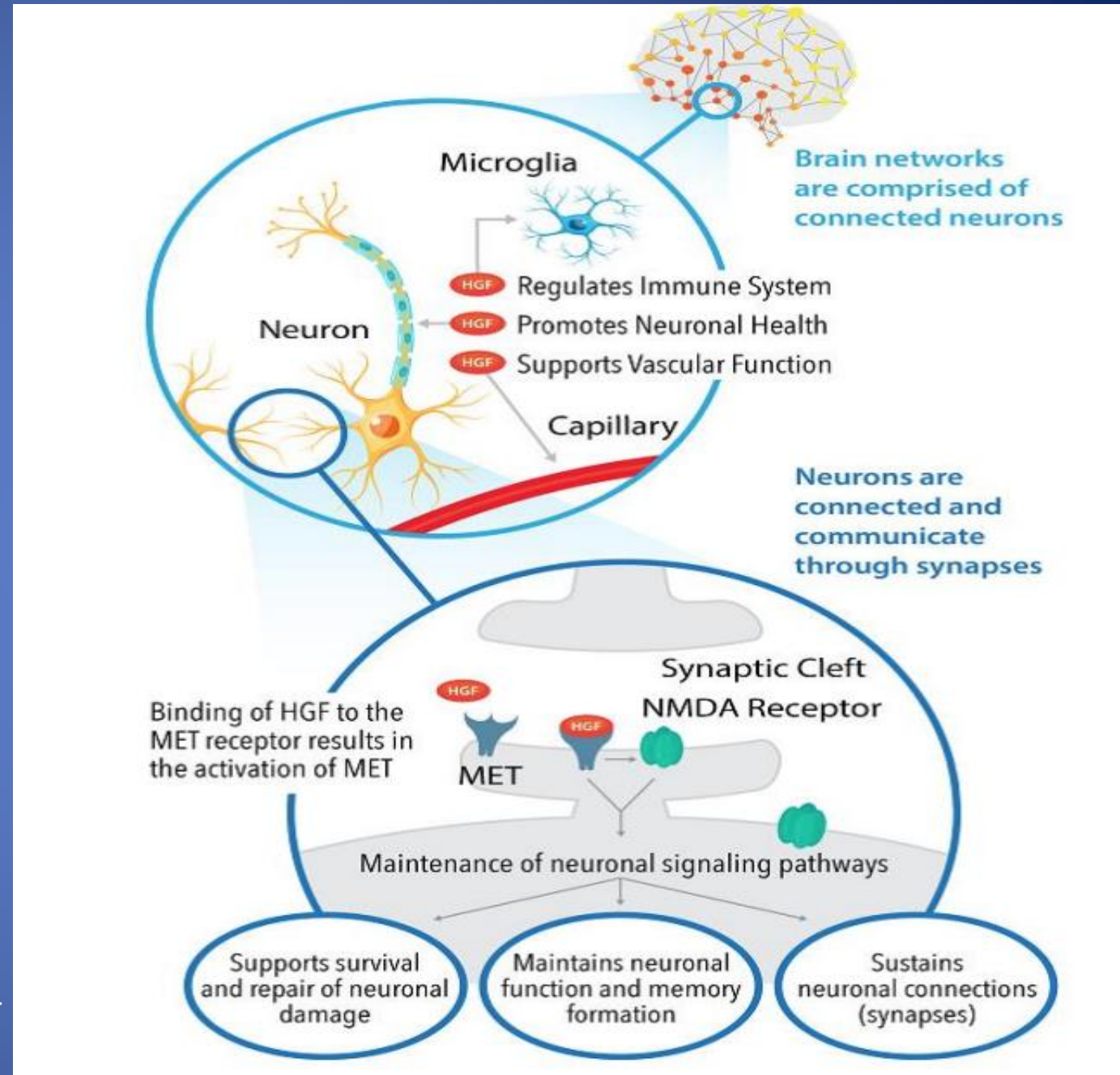
Site 151 – Hawaii Memory Ctr
MMSE 14-24

Regulates Neural Immunity and Inflammation

- ATH 1017 enhance HGF/MET (Hepatic Growth factor/ Receptor Tyrosine Kinase)

SQ Daily

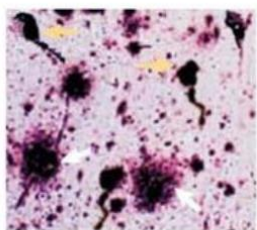
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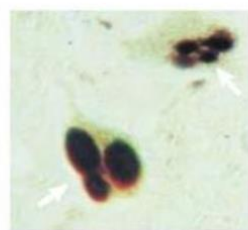
Uncle Waimanalo

- 75 Hawaiian retired Farmer
- Forgetful since age 73
- Cannot recall recent events or conversations
- Brought in by 2 sons and 2 daughters
- MMSE 23
- E3/E3
- MRI: Significant hippocampal and temporal atrophy
- Not interested in
 - anything invasive or “needles” and
 - “would rather go fishing & surfing than see me every 2 weeks”

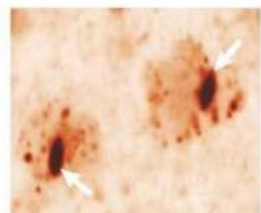
Common Behavior of Neurotoxic Aggregating Proteins



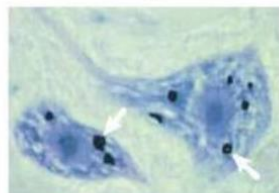
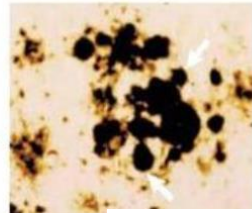
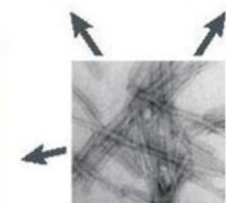
Alzheimer's plaques and tangles



Parkinson's Lewy bodies



Huntington's intranuclear inclusions



Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis aggregates

AD: plaques and tangles

PD: Lewy bodies

HD: Huntingtin inclusions

TSE: prion amyloid plaque

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Buntanetap, a Novel Translational Inhibitor of Multiple Neurotoxic Proteins, Proves to Be Safe and Promising in Both Alzheimer's and Parkinson's Patients

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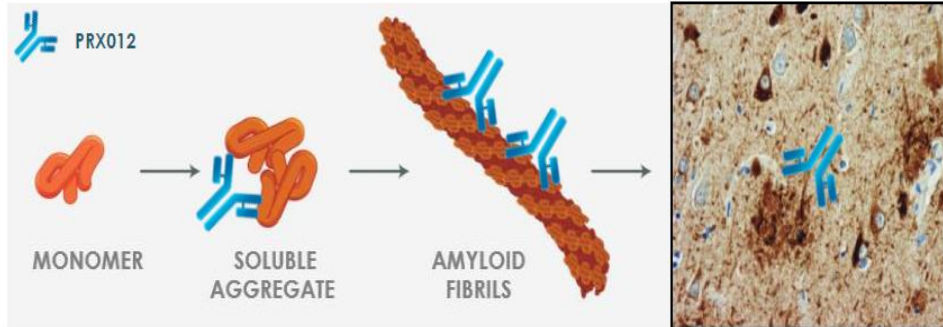
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Annovis Phase 2 Buntanetap
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Mild to Mod AD
MMSE 14-24
PO Daily

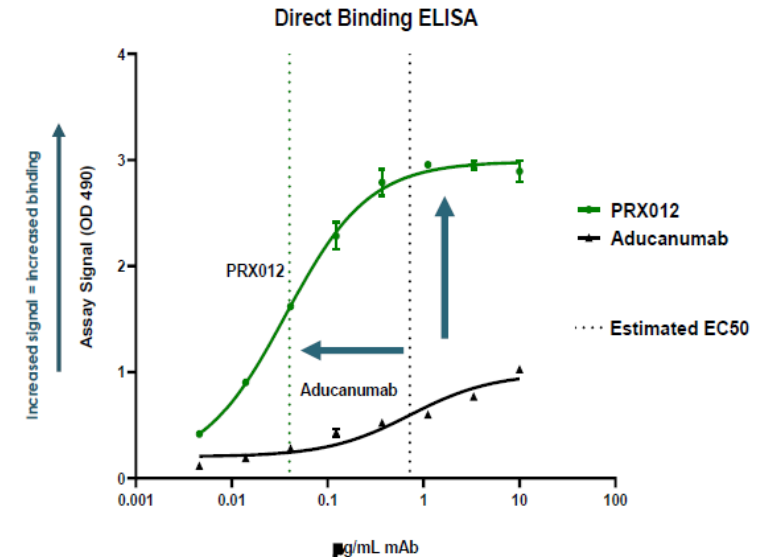
Ms Marhsall Island

- 67 yo Scientist working on Marshall island
- Lives on island 2-3 months at a time
- Cognitive decline since age 60
- Strong Family history of AD
- MMSE 27
- E3/E4
- MRI disproportional parietotemporal atrophy
- Biomarker: Amyloid + CSF

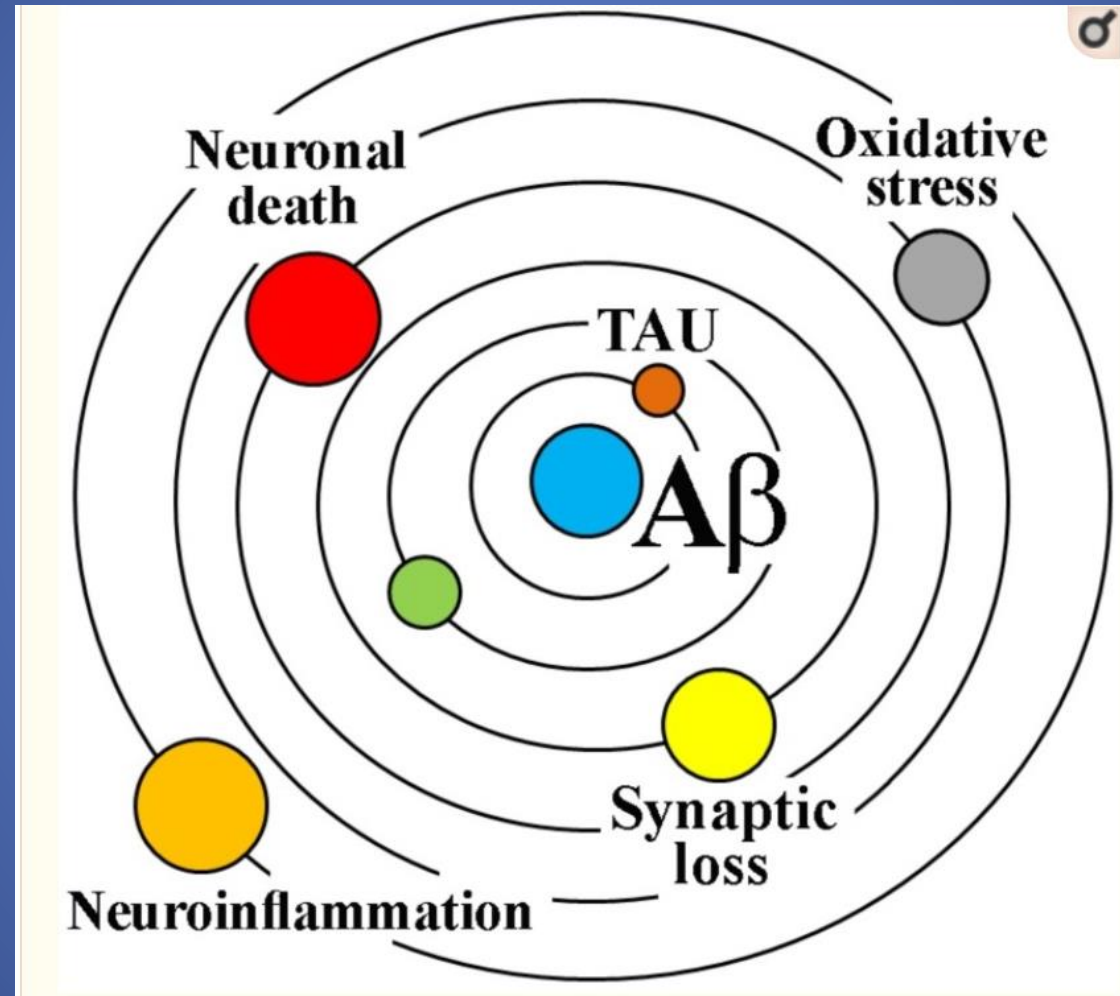
Phase 1-Next Generation Amyloid Target? PRX 0012 -SQ Delivery , Site 01 – Hawaii Mem Ctr



- PRX012 is a novel high affinity humanized immunoglobulin class G1 (IgG1) monoclonal antibody targetin at the N-terminus
- Evidence indicates that clearance of A β plaques is necessary to slow clinical decline in AD
- Neutralization of soluble aggregates might provide incremental efficacy, but is not sufficient (e.g., solanezumab, crenezumab)



Amyloidocentric Theory of AD?



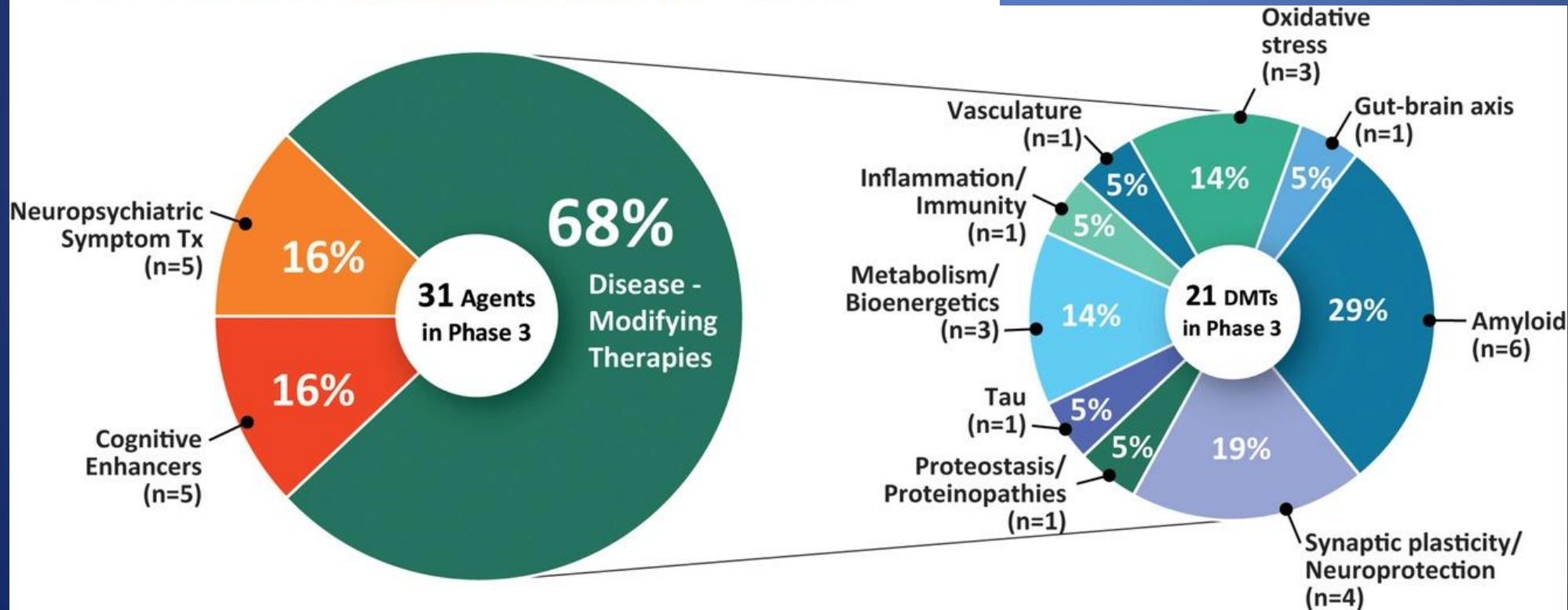
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Alzheimer's disease drug development pipeline: 2022

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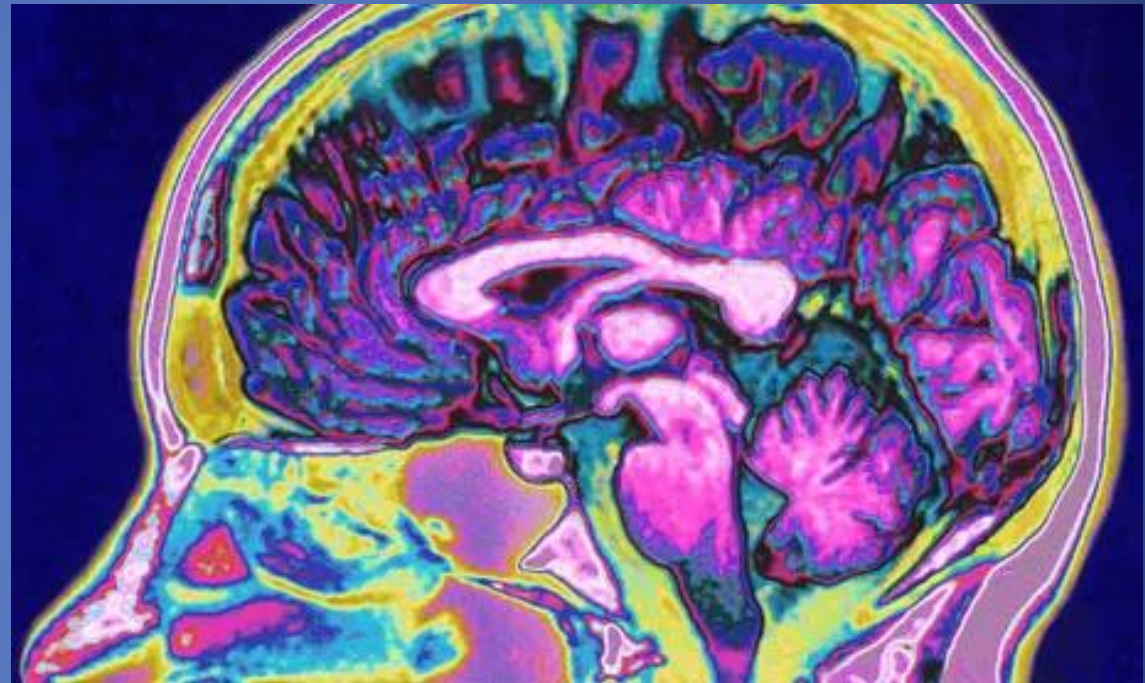
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- What are my Options?
- What's in the Pipeline?



Discussion & Local Research

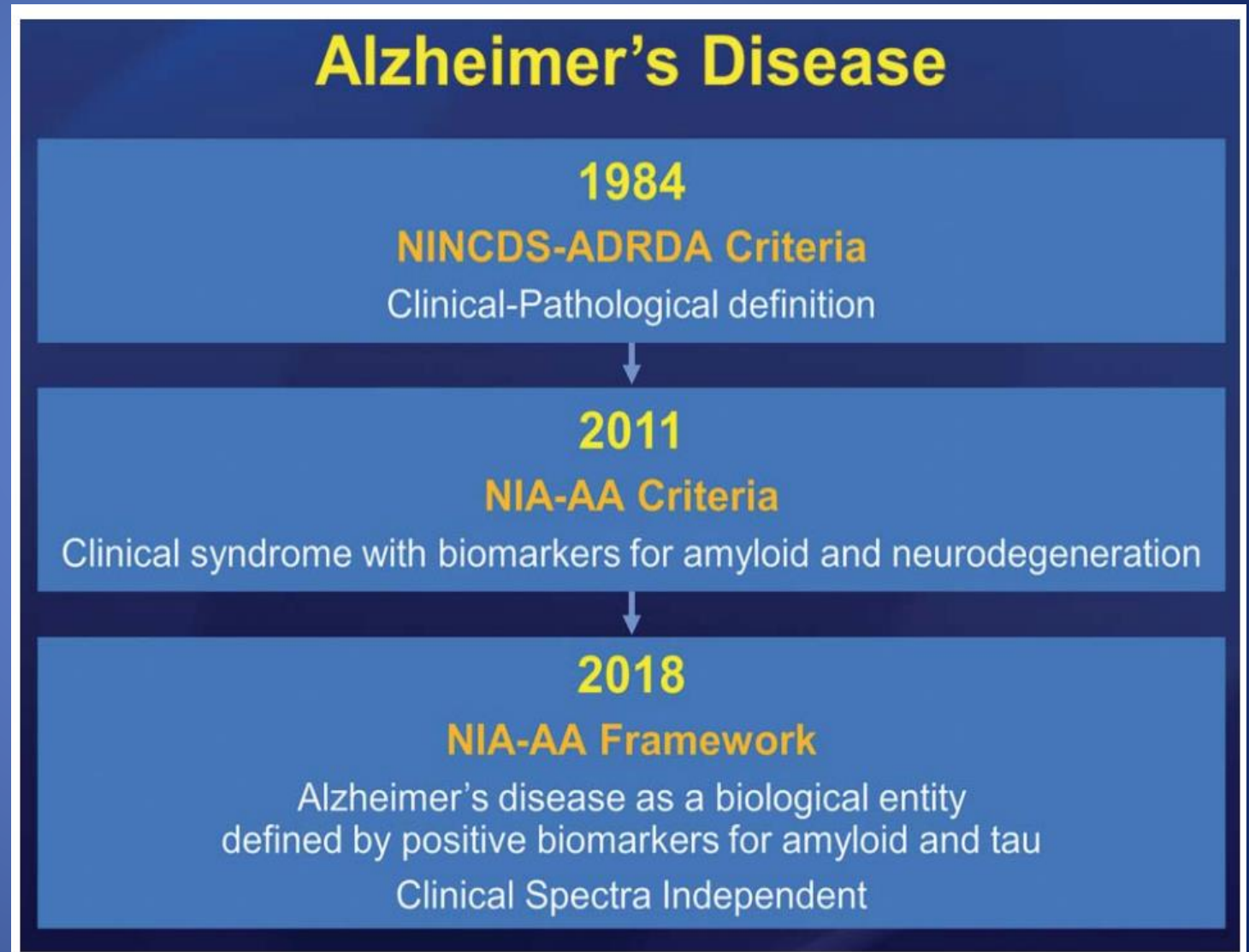
What are the barriers and challenges for developing better AD treatment?



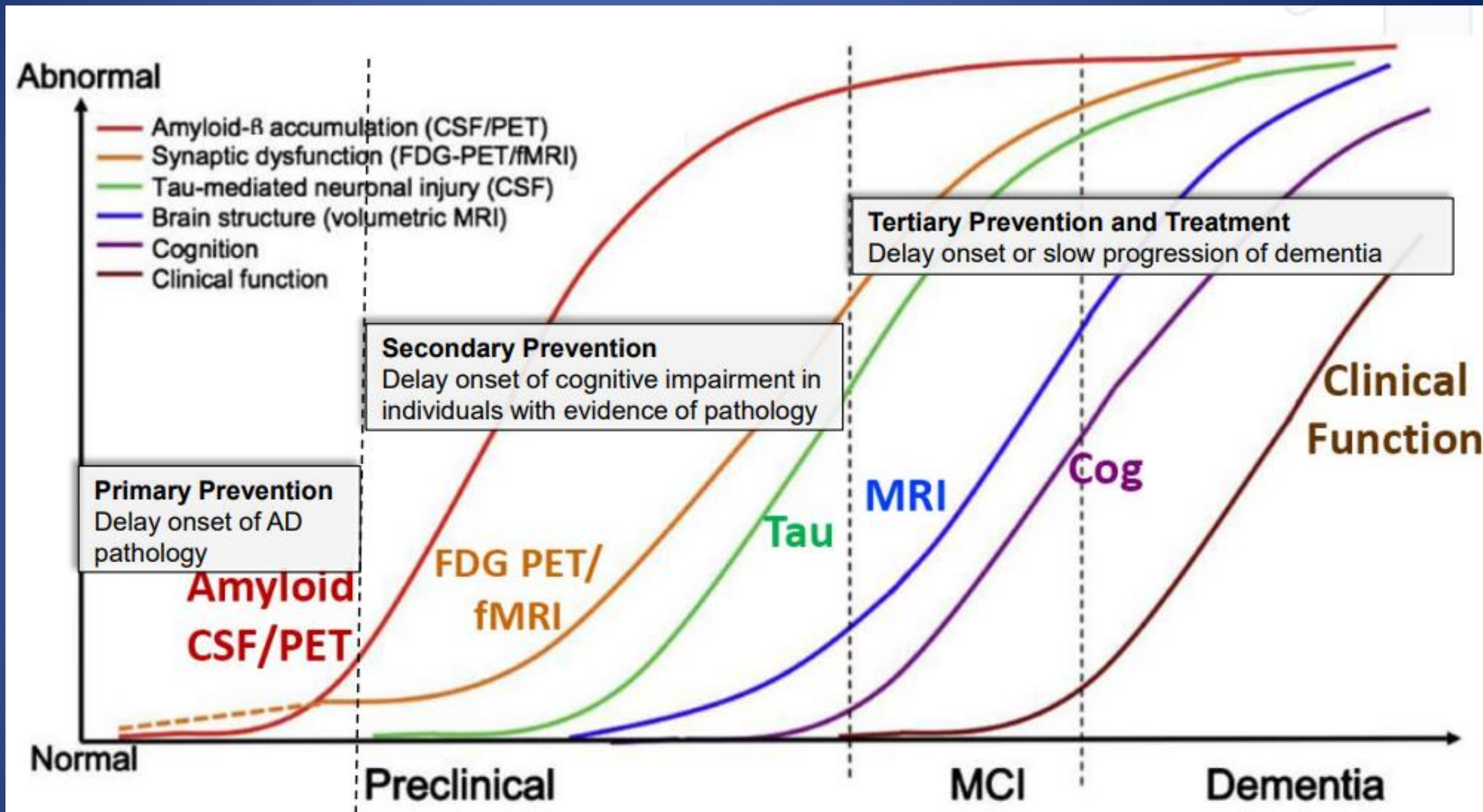
Paradigm Shift in AD Approach

In the last decade, the research definition of AD has moved from a clinical to a more biological Paradigm using biomarkers,

..... independent of clinical spectra



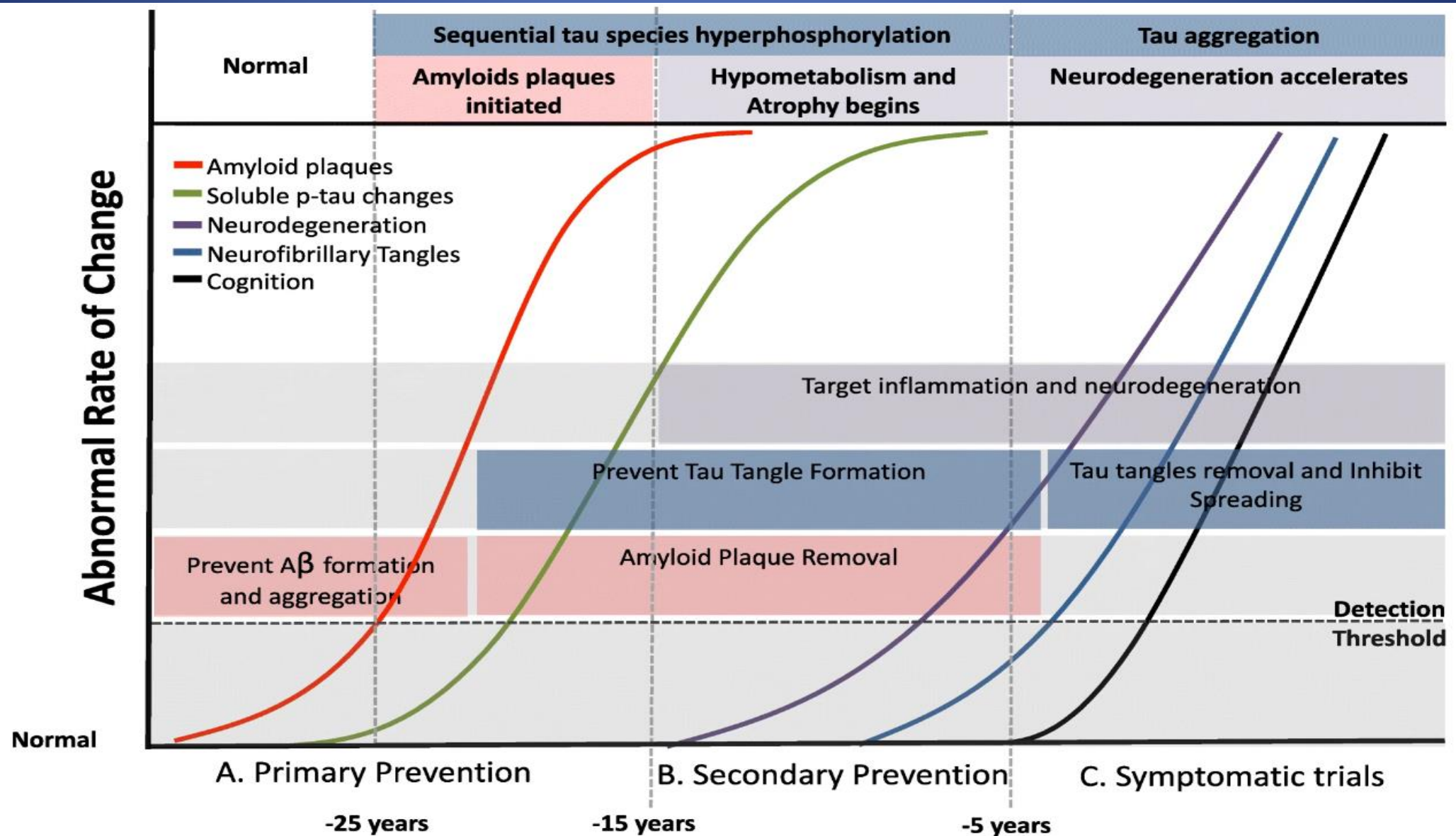
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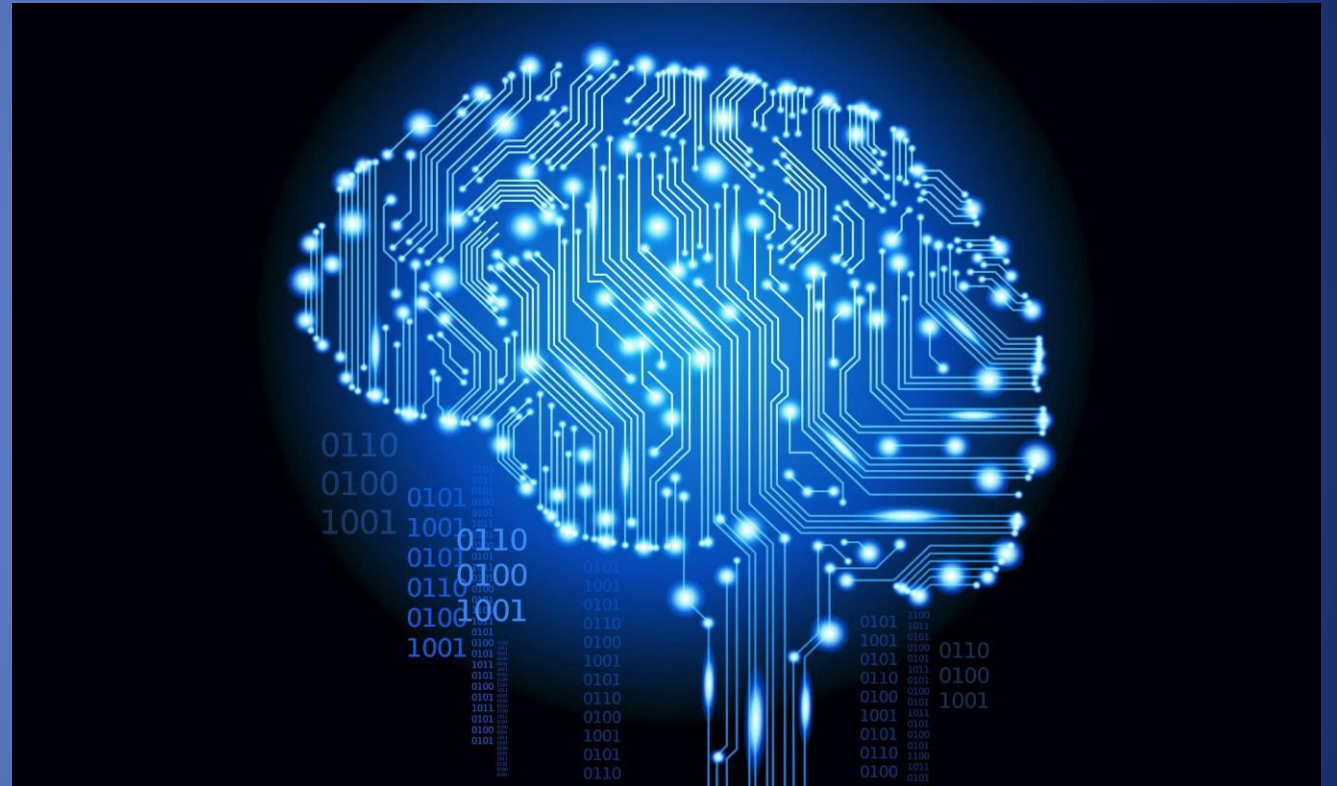
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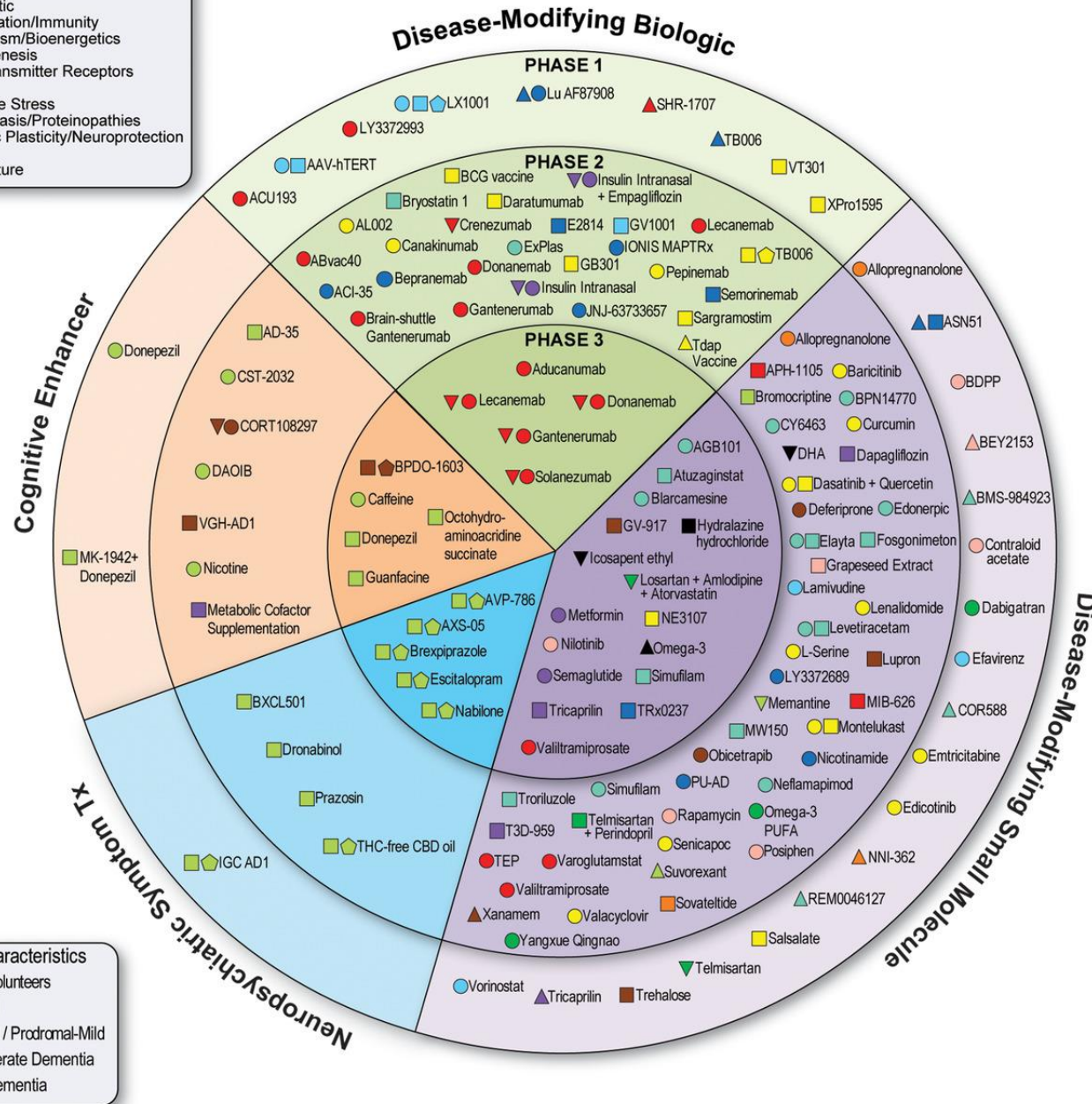


What does the future look like?



2022 Alzheimer's Drug Development Pipeline

- Mechanism of Action**
- Amyloid
 - Epigenetic
 - Inflammation/Immunity
 - Metabolism/Bioenergetics
 - Neurogenesis
 - Neurotransmitter Receptors
 - Other
 - Oxidative Stress
 - Proteostasis/Proteinopathies
 - Synaptic Plasticity/Neuroprotection
 - Tau
 - Vasculature



What does the Future look like?

143 Drugs in pipeline

83% DMT

50,575 participants

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Summary



MEMORY CTR



INFUSION CTR

1. Since 2019, Hawaii Memory Ctr & Alzheimer's Research Unit collecting efficacy and safety data on Lecanemab & Aducanumab as part of global research effort
2. Although Lecanemab approved for MCI Mild AD, some patients at higher risk for ARIA
3. Although we still have lots of works to do, the future is bright
 1. Besides amyloid, consider tau, immunity, inflammation, metabolism & even lifestyle changes - Combination or "cocktail" therapies
 2. Early detection & prevention is needed
 3. Better biomarkers are needed - Hawaii is leading the research on using widely available, noninvasive and cost-effective EEG Neural Network

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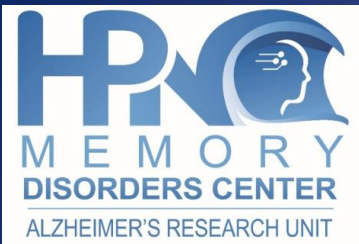
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Preclinical to MCI (MMSE > 22)

(Spinal Tap needed)

Phase 4 Amyloid

IV monthly ENVISION
(Aducanumab)

Phase 3 Metabolism EVOKE

PO Daily

Phase 2 Tau (ASO) CELIA

Antisense Oligonucleotide
IT Q12 weeks

MCI (MMSE > 18)

(Amyloid PET in
California)

Phase 1 -ASCENT

Next Generation
Amyloid

PK Overnight First
in Human Study

SQ 1x PRX012

Mild to Mod AD (MMSE 14-24)

Buntanetap

Phase 2 mRNA (-) Translation
Aggregating Toxic Proteins
PO Daily

LIFT AD (NIH Funded)

Phase 2 Synaptic Plasticity
Neuroprotection
SQ Daily Injections