CORTICOBASAL SYNDROME, CORTICOBASAL DEGENERATION, AND PROGRESSIVE SUPRANUCLEAR PALSY: WHAT ARE THE

TAUOPATHIES?

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TAUOPATHIES



MANY DISEASE ARE TAUOPATHIES

Disorder

Anatomy (major areas affected in typical cases)

4R TAUOPATHIES

Corticobasal degeneration

Progressive supranuclear palsy

FTDP-17 T

3R TAUOPATHIES

Pick's disease

FTDP-17 T

3R+4R TAUOPATHIES

Alzheimer disease

FTDP-17 T

Cortex and basal ganglia Basal ganglia, brainstem and cerebellum Cortex, basal ganglia and brainstem

Cortex and limbic lobe Cortex, basal ganglia and brainstem

Cortex and limbic lobe Cortex and limbic lobe

Dickson et al. (2011) *J Mol Neurosci* 45:384-389

PSP CLINICAL FEATURES

- Behavior:
 - Apathy, obsessive/compulsive behaviors, utilization
- Cognitive profile: executive dysfunction
- Motor:
 - Parkinsonism: axial rigidity, postural instability, bradykinesia, reduced blink
 - Supranuclear gaze palsy
 - Dysphagia/dysarthria



PSP CRITERIA UPDATED THIS YEAR

- Sporadic occurrence ger et al 2017
- Age 40 or older at onset
- Gradual progression of PSP-related symptom
- Core features:
 - Oculomotor dysfunction
 - Postural Instability
 - Akinesia
 - Cognitive dysfunction

Certaint y	Oculomoto r	Postural Instabilit	Akinesi	Cognitive Dysfunctio
Level 1	O1: Vertical supranuclear gaze palsy	P1: Repeated unprovoked falls within 3 years	A1: Progressive gait freezing within 3 year	C1: Speech/language disorder (nf/agrammatic PPA or AOS)
Level 2	O2: Slow velocity of vertical saccades	P2: Tendency to fall on the pull-test within 3 years	A2: Parkinsonism, akinetic-rigid, predominantly axial, and levodopa resistant	C2: Frontal cognitive/behaviora I presentation
Level 3	O3: Frequent macro square wave jerks or OeLJelid opeŶiŶg apradŽa_	P3: More than two steps backward on the pull-test within 3 years	A3: Parkinsonism, with tremor and/or asymmetric and/or levodopa responsive	C3: Corticobasal syndrome

SOME VARIANTS ARE MORE LIKELY



Boxer et al. Lancet Neurol

PSP-RICHARDSON SYNDROME

Richardson's syndrome —

PSP-RS

RS not due to PSP

- Unexplained falls, Unsteady gait, Bradykinesia
- Personality changes (apathy, disinhibition)
- Cognitive slowing, Executive dysfunction
- Slow, ataxic, spastic, and hypophonic speech, Dysphagia
- Impaired eye movement (slow vertical saccades, apraxia eyelid opening)
- Vertical supranuclear gaze palsy
 - Onset variable (might not present until 3–4 years after)
 - Decreased velocity, amplitude of vertical > horizontal saccadic
 - Decreased /absort ontokinatic nystagmus

PSP-CORTICOBASAL SYNDROME

Corticobasal syndrome -

PSP-CBS

- Variable combo of:
 - Progressive limb rigidity
 - Apraxia
 - Cortical sensory loss
 - Alien limb
 - Bradykinesia
 - Unresponsive to levodopa

PSP-SPEECH/LANGUAGE

PSP-SL

nfvPPA

- nfvPPA
- Agrammatism
- Effortful, halting speech with inconsistent speech sound errors and distortions (AOS)

STN ATROPHY





ATROPHY OF CEREBELLAR DENTATE





PSP PATHOLOGY

- Neuronal loss and gliosis
- Hyperphosphorylated MAPT accumulation
 - Glial tauopathy:
 - tufted astrocytes



MAPT



synaptophysi n

N.J. Cairns et al. (2007). *Acta Neuropathol*. 114:5-22.

CORTICOBASAL SYNDROME: MULTIPLE PATHOLOGIES

- Dystonia, Parkinsonism, apraxia, cortical sensory loss, loss of voluntary limb control
- Syndrome now associated with several pathologies:
 - CBD
 - PSP
 - DLB
 - -AD
 - FTLD-TDP43
 - Prion disease

Syndrom



CBS

Patholog





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AD











Prion

CORTICOBASAL DEGENERATION: MULTIPLE CLINICAL

Different preseries Andrand Andra Barbare
 CBD

pathology:

- Behavioral syndrome (FTD)
- Non-fluent aphasia syndrome
- PSP syndrome
- -CBS





Non-fluent PPA

TDP-43

Prion





PROPOSED CLINICAL PHENOTYPES OF CBD

ProbableAsymmetric presentation of 2 of: a) limb rigidity or akinesia, b) limbCBSdystonia,

c) limb myoclonus plus 2 of: d) orobuccal or limb apraxia, e) cortical

FBSS Two of: a) executive dysfunction, b) behavioral or personality changes,c) visuospatial deficits

PSPS Three of: a) axial or symmetric limb rigidity or akinesia, b) postural instability or falls, c) urinary incontinence, d) behavioral changes, e) supranuclear vertical gaze palsy or decreased velocity of vertical saccades





Non-fluent PPA

TDP-43

Prion





PATIENT 1



58 RH F 1 year Left sided clumsiness

- Difficulty descending stairs: hold railing with RUE
- 6 months later difficulty with

sequence of starting car

 Handwriting worse, tremor b/l

PATIENT 1



- Exam
 - Praxis worse L
 - Tone increased, cogwheel
 - Coordination worse on left, slow
- Cognitive testing:
 - Pretty good overall with minor problems in calculations and copying, but impaired phonemic fluency

TYPICAL FDG PET AND MRI

DATTEDNIC FDG-PET



Sha et al. Alz Res & Ther 2015

PATIENT 1 MRI AND FDT PET





PATIENT 2

70 M 1.5 years of progressive motor and cognitive changes

- Skiing accident with concussion
- R haŶd ĐoordiŶatioŶ prod'leŵs: ĐaŶ't write, ĐaŶ't eat
- Speech slow and slurred
- Memory problems, difficulty with details, planning

Exam:

- Memory loss recall 1/5, names 4 F words
- Eye movements with overshoot, saccadic
- Slurred speech and slow
- Right hand dystonic with increased tone RUE, RLE

AMYLOID PET IS SUGGESTIVE OF AD PATHOLOGY Si 12:2 DFOV 26.0 cm



S: 12.2 Im: 45 DFOV 26.0 cm 5.33 0.00 50 % PET 2.78













 $CBS-PIB^- < CBS-PIB^+$



 $CBS-PIB^+ < CBS-PIB^-$















Sha et al. Alz Res & Ther

CORTICOBASAL DEGENERATION

- Macroscopic Pathology
 - Narrowing of cortical gyri especially frontal;
 pre- and postcentral gyri atrophic to varying degrees; atrophy is often asymmetric
 - May be flattening of caudate nucleus; brown discoloration of globus pallidus
 - Loss of neuromelanin pigment in the substantia
 nigra with better pigmentation in locus
 ceruleus
 - Subthalamic nucleus (STN) usually preserved

FTLD-MAPT (CBD)

- Abundant ightarrowswollen cortical neurons
- Glial lacksquareTauopathy:
 - **Coiled bodies**
 - Astrocytic plaques

H&E

pMAPT



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CONCLUSIONS

- PSP and CBD can have different clinical presentations
- PSP-RS is the most common and most predicts PSP pathology
- CBS usually indicates CBD but can have alternate pathologies

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- Free exercise and wellness classes (Yoga, Tai Chi, Dance, Qi Gong)
- Free support services (caregiver workshops, support groups, classes)
- Travel reimbursement, participation incentives, and feedback to share with your family and health care provider
- Stanford Neuroscience Supportive Care Program: <u>www.stanfordhealthcar</u> e org/nscn





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