

PZP: A novel biomarker for early Alzheimer's disease?

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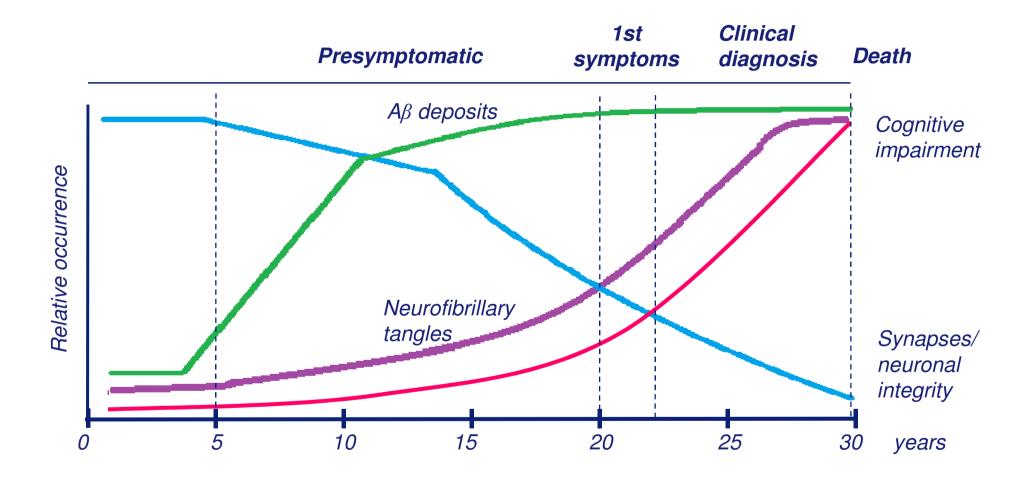
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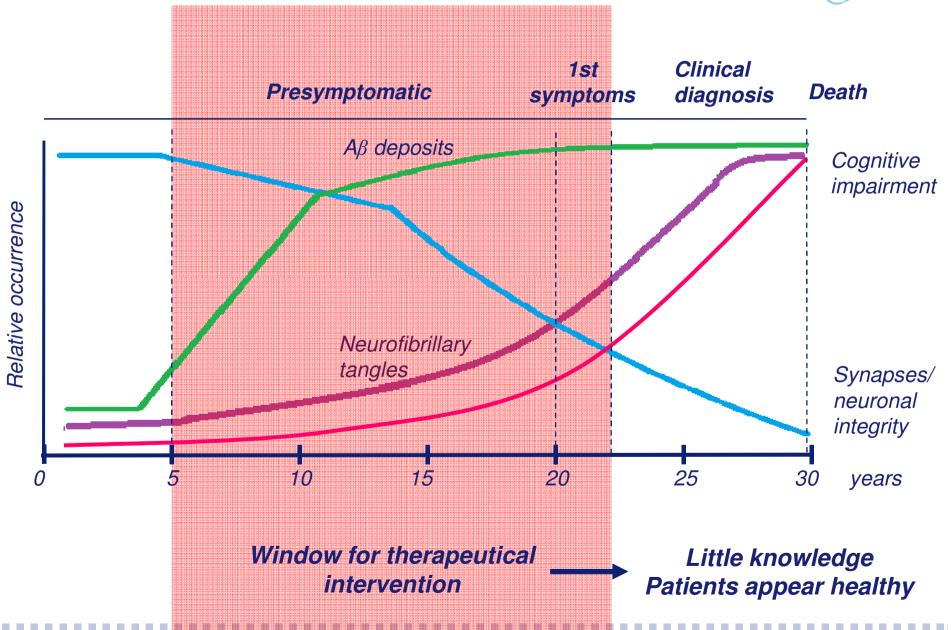
Alzheimer's disease (AD) - timeline











Aim

- Identify proteins (biomarkers) differentially expressed in presymptomatic AD
 - Increase knowledge
 - Aid in development of clinically useful routine diagnostic tests

The Rotterdam Study



- Prospective population cohort study
- Started in 1990
 - Up to 2008 ~15 000 men and women recruited
 - Age ≥ 45 years
 - Baseline + 2 3 yearly follow up
 - Cognitive testing (MMSE)
 - Blood samples (serum), no CSF
 - MRI (subpopulation)



"Investigate the prevalence and incidence of, and risk factors for, chronic disease in the elderly"

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