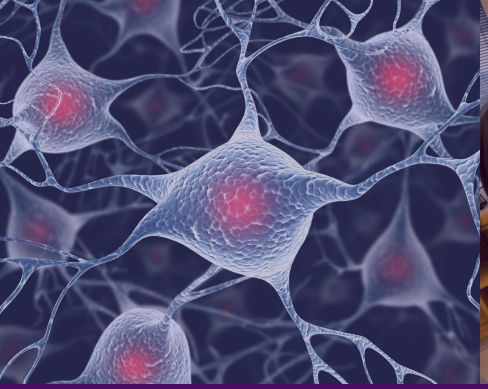





Alzheimer's disease: Early Insights and Emerging Solutions through early diagnosis

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Importance of **Early Detection**

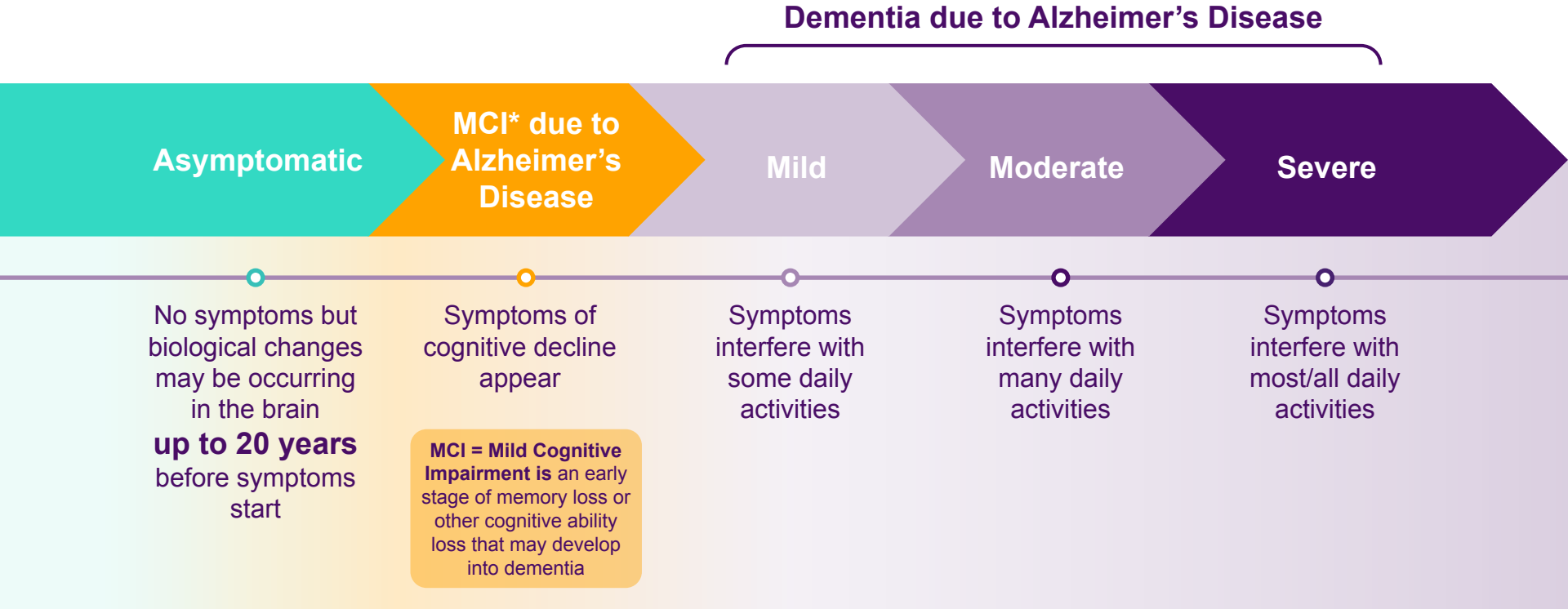


Pay attention to any changes in memory, thinking or behavior that you notice in yourself or someone else.



If you see changes that are new or unusual, **take action** by having a conversation with a doctor, or a trusted family member or friend.

Alzheimer's Disease is a Continuum



Treatments for Alzheimer's

While there's currently no cure for Alzheimer's, there are treatments that can change disease progression, and drug and non-drug options that may help treat symptoms. Talk to your doctor to learn more about treatment options. Learn more at **alz.org/treatments**.

New treatments are available that slow disease progression for those in the earliest stages.

Drug and non-drugs options are available that **may help treat symptoms**, such as memory loss and confusion.

Everyone experiences Alzheimer's differently, treatments **work in varying degrees and are not effective for everyone**.



FDA-Approved Therapies for Alzheimer's

First description of disease 1906

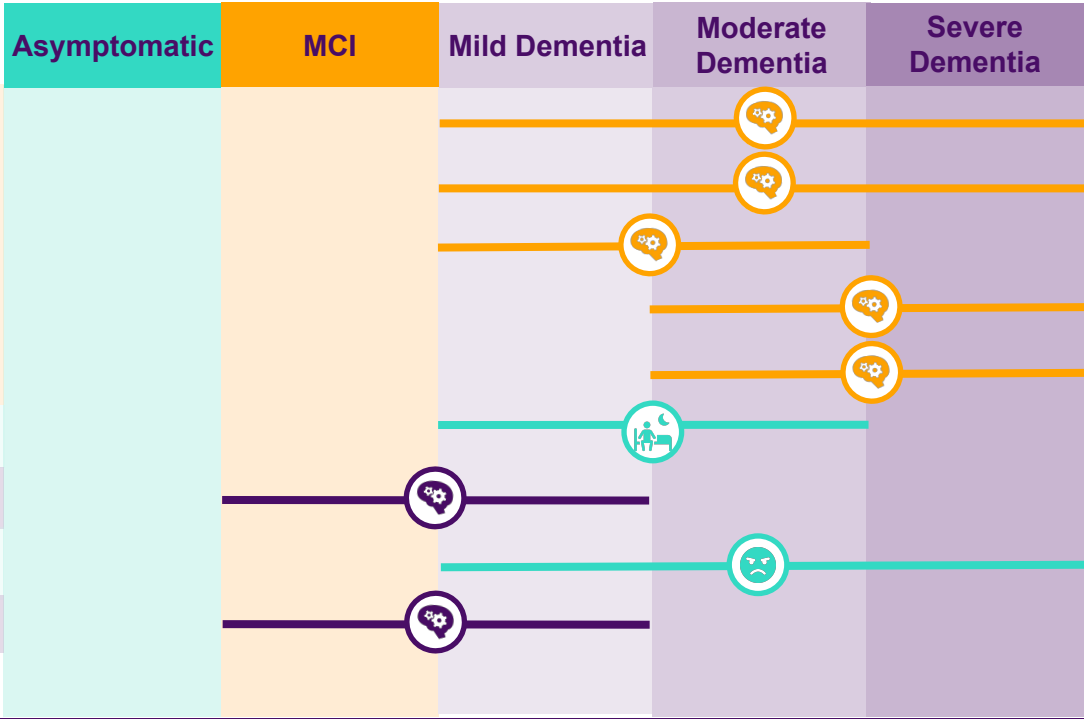


Treat Symptoms: Cognition and Function

Treat Symptoms: Mood or Behavior

Slow Disease Progression: Cognition, Function and Behavior

1996	donepezil (Aricept)
2000	rivastigmine (Exelon)
2001	galantamine (Razadyne)
2003	memantine (Namenda)
2014	memantine + donepezil (Namzaric)
2020	suvorexant* (Belsomra)
2023	lecanemab (Leqembi)
2023	brexpiprazole (Rexulti)
2024	donanemab (Kisunla)



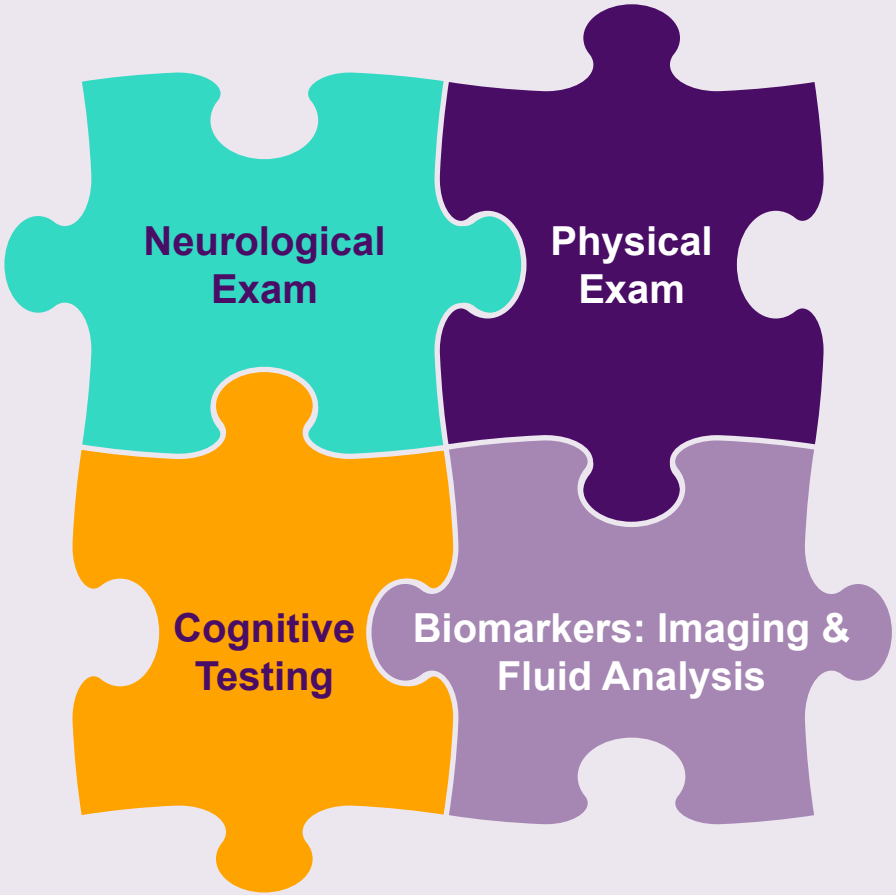
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* Suvorexant approved for insomnia not AD but safe and effective in AD population.

How is Alzheimer's Currently Diagnosed?

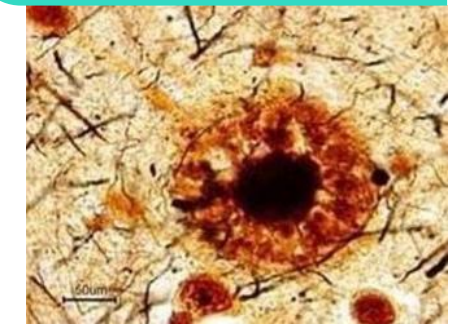
There is no single test that can determine if a person is living with Alzheimer's disease or another dementia.

Doctors use a combination of diagnostic tools combined with medical history to make an accurate diagnosis.



The Hallmarks of Alzheimer's

1 Plaques



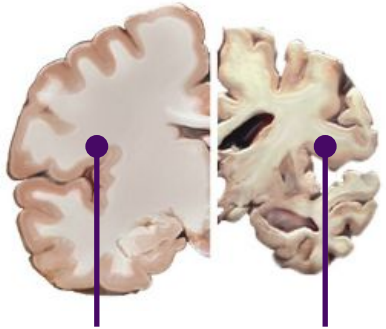
Made up of **beta amyloid**

2 Tangles



Made up of **tau**

3 Brain Cell Death



Healthy brain

Advanced Alzheimer's

Alzheimer's Association Early Stage Program

- Serving early stage dyads for over 10 years
- Program is grounded in evidence based science
- Psychoeducational support group
- A social component (supper club)
- Benefits: increase care partner confidence, peer interaction and support, sense of community, disease education and guidelines for living well with dementia.





Kris’s Story


TOGETHER
WE CAN END
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Carolyn’s Journey

From diagnosis to treatment



Benefits of an Early and Accurate Diagnosis



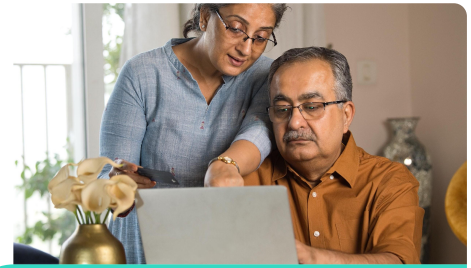
Medical Benefits

- Access to current treatments
- An opportunity to participate in clinical trials
- A chance to prioritize health, including making lifestyle changes



Emotional and Social Benefits

- More time to plan for the future, access resources
- Time to plan end-of-life decisions



Financial Benefits

- Cost savings for families
- Cost savings for the U.S. government



Learn more at
alz.org/healthyhabits

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The Alzheimer's Association provides care and support to those affected.

Free 24/7 Helpline: 800.272.3900

- Staffed by master's-level clinicians and specialists
- Provides confidential support and information in over 200 languages

Resource-rich website: alz.org®

- Often the first stop for individuals after receiving a diagnosis
- Includes sections for those living with the disease, caregivers and health care professionals

ALZConnected®: alz.org/alzconnected

- Free online community designed for people living with dementia and their caregivers

Education and support: alz.org/CRF

- For caregivers and individuals living with Alzheimer's or other dementia
- Offered in-person, virtually and online

Alzheimer's Association & AARP Community Resource Finder: alz.org/CRF

- Comprehensive database of local dementia and aging-related resources

Local chapters nationwide: alz.org/findus

- Programs and services in communities across the country

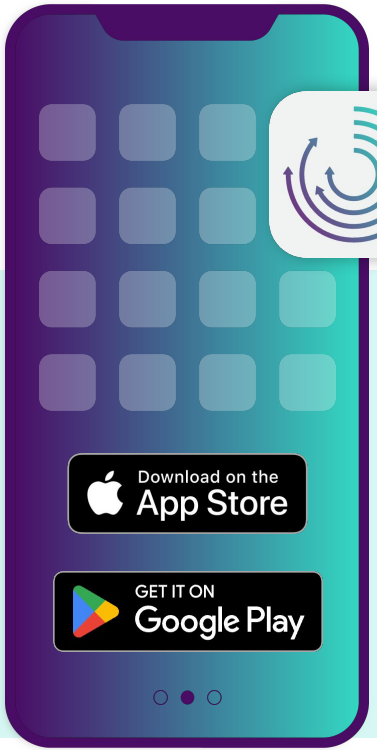


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Support, guidance and connection for newly diagnosed people and care partners – all in one app

- Free mobile app for newly diagnosed individuals and care partners
- Provides personalized guidance, trusted resources and local connections
- Helps users understand their diagnosis, stay independent and plan for the future
- Connects users to their local Alzheimer's Association chapter for programs and support
- Built with input from people living with dementia and care partners

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