







# Evolving concepts Parkinson's Disease

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# **Evolving concepts**

- Non-motor symptoms as important determinants of QoL
- Early and premotor signs
- More than just dopamine
- Away from the brain ?

# Motor symptoms

 Hypokinesia/bradykinesia/aki nesia

Cogwheel rigidity

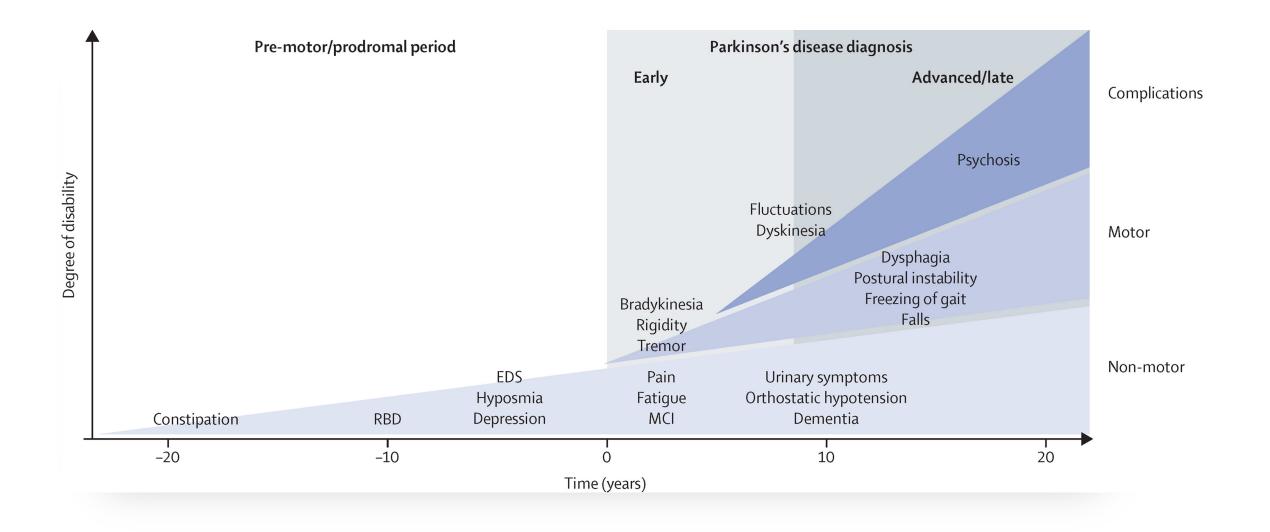
Resting tremor

Postural changes

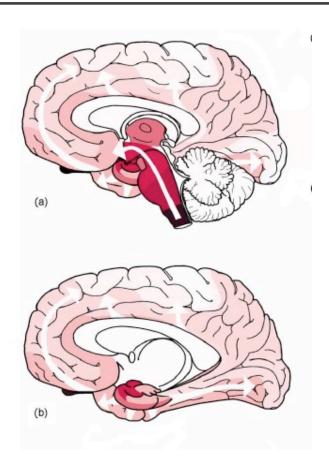
# Non-motor symptoms

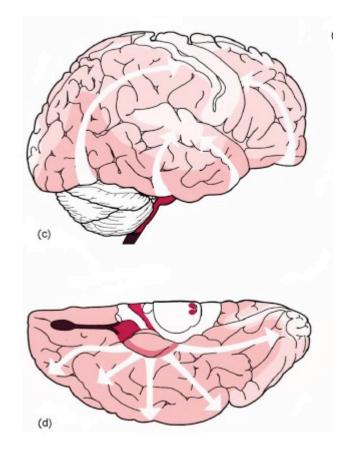
- Autonomous dysfunction: constipation, genito-urinary problems, hypotension, sweating
- Cognitive and behavioral disorders: depression, apathy, memory problems, executive dysfunction,...
- Sensory problems: paresthesia, pain, cramps
- Sleeping disorders: sleep fractionation, REM sleep behaviour disorder, fatigue and somnolence

### Evolution of symptoms



# Evolution of synuclein pathology of PD



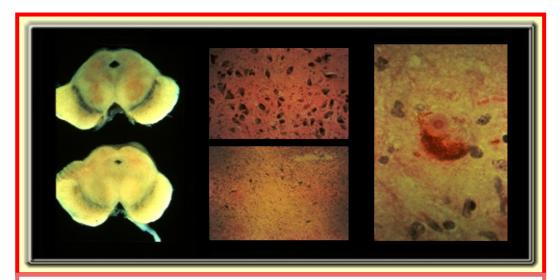


#### Substantia nigra degeneration



Progressive degeneration

Origin in extracerebral organs



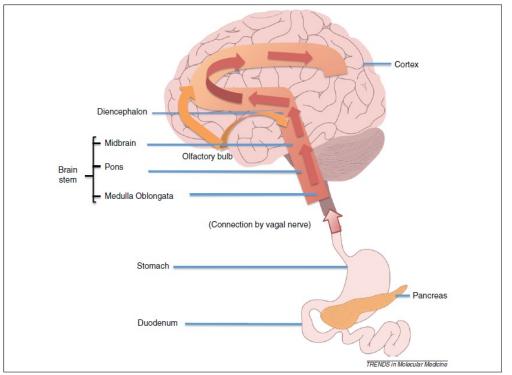
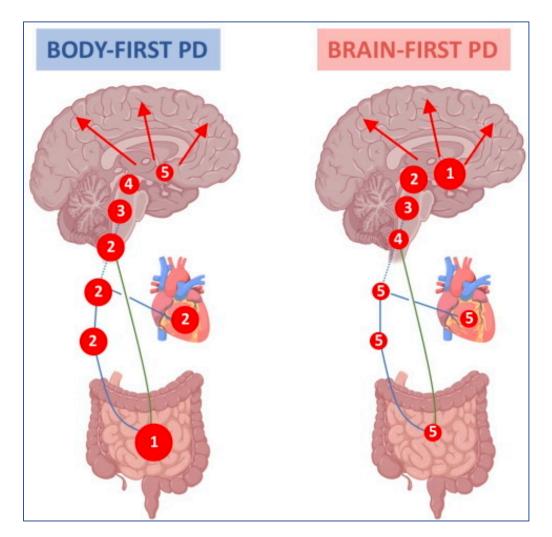
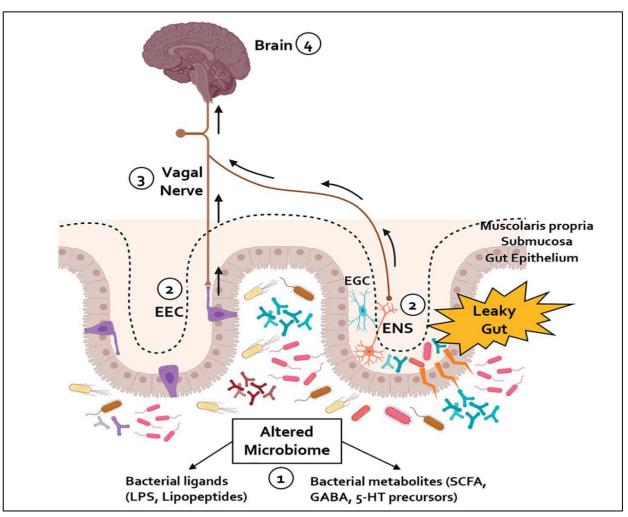
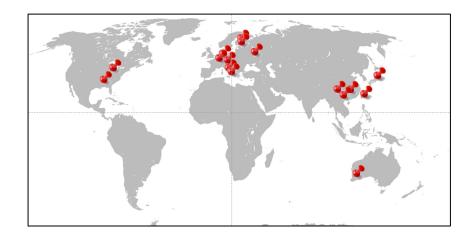


Figure 2. Spread of idiopathic PD pathology. As proposed by Braak and coauthors, Lewy body pathology may arise in the periphery/enteric nervous system, possibly in the gastrointestinal tract, and transfer to the brain stem via the glossopharyngeal and vagus nerves. Finally, it spreads to the cortex at a later stage of disease progression (red arrows). Alternatively, the pathology may initiate at the olfactory bulb and the anterior olfactory nucleus and from there spread to the midbrain and the cortex (orange arrows).

## The gut-brain inflammatory hypothesis of PD







# The gut microbiome and PD

# Disease status Control Parkinson Approaches Pooled data Pooled results Pooled data Pooled results Methods Approaches Ancome Pooled data Po

Fig. 5 Genera showing a significant difference in abundance between PD patients and controls. The relative abundances of the genera retrieved from the rarefied pooled data are reported in panel a. Effect sizes were estimated via the mean difference in CLR (panel b) using a random-effect meta-analysis approach (Pooled results approach). This was calculated for all taxa resulting differentially abundant in the Pooled results or Pooled data approaches. The color of the dots indicates which of the two above approaches detected the taxa differentially abundant. Taxa more abundant in controls have an effect size shifted to the left, whereas taxa more abundant in PD have an effect size shifted to the right. Panel c shows the number of times each genus was detected differentially abundant between PD patients and control samples across studies (diamonds) and approaches (bars). We used ten studies and three approaches, hence the maximum number of times a taxon can be detected differentially abundant is 30.

log10(rel. abund)

#### ARTICLE OPE

Lachnospiraceae ND3007 group-



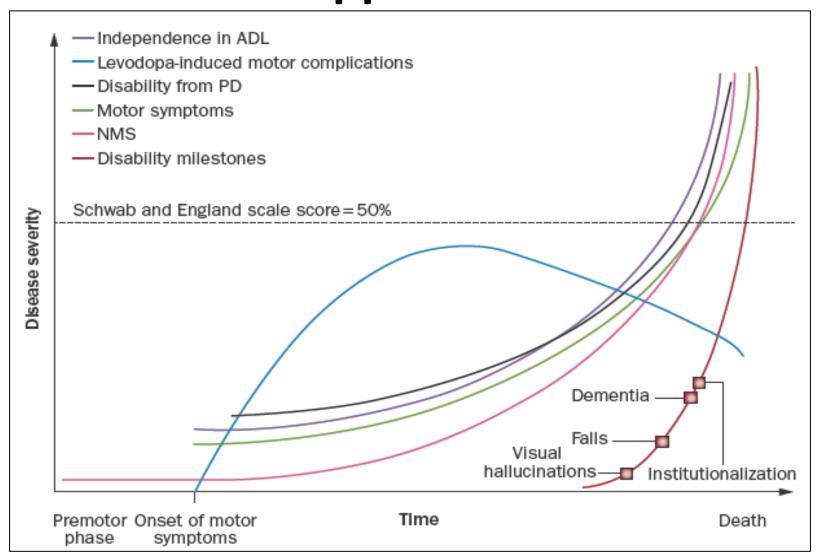
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Mean difference in CLR (95% CI)

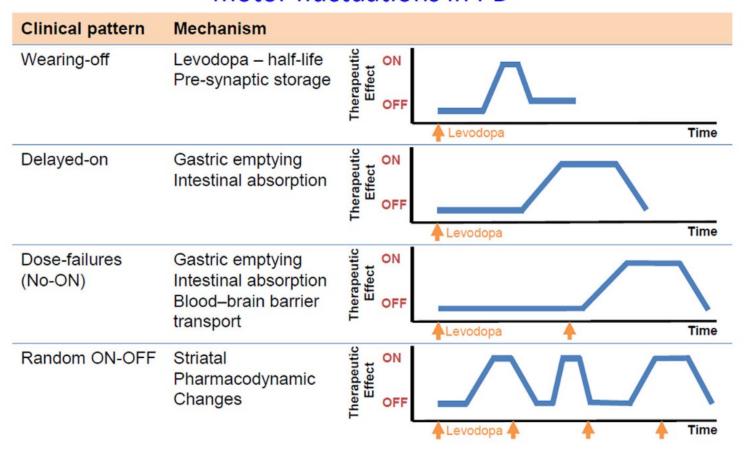
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# multi- or rather interdisciplinary approach

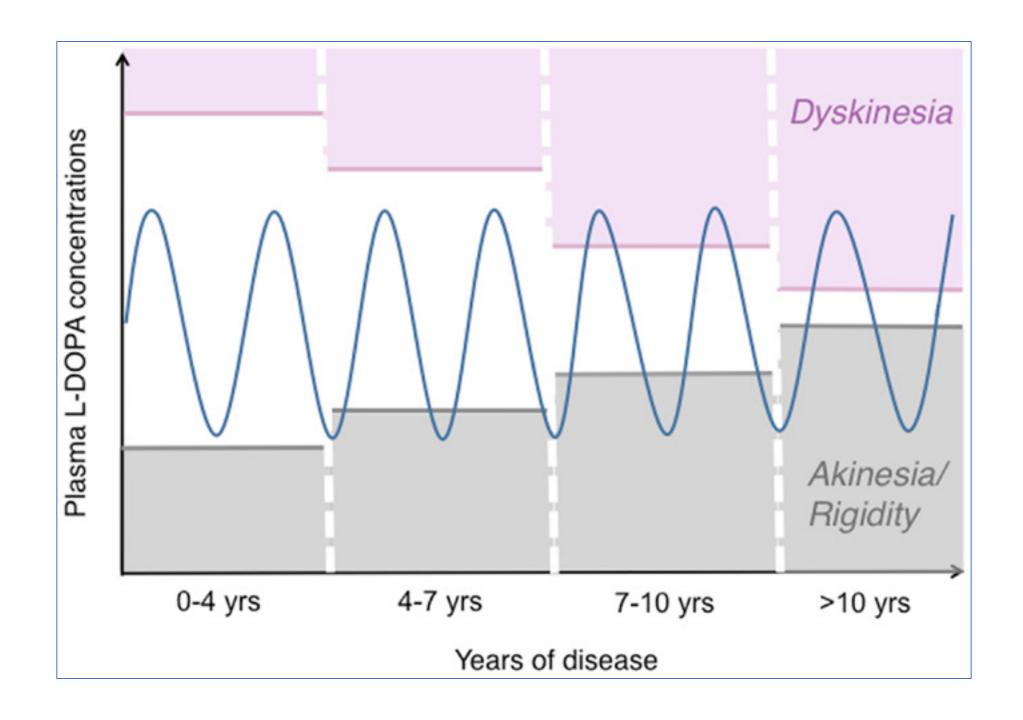


## Classification of levodopa-related motor fluctuations in PD

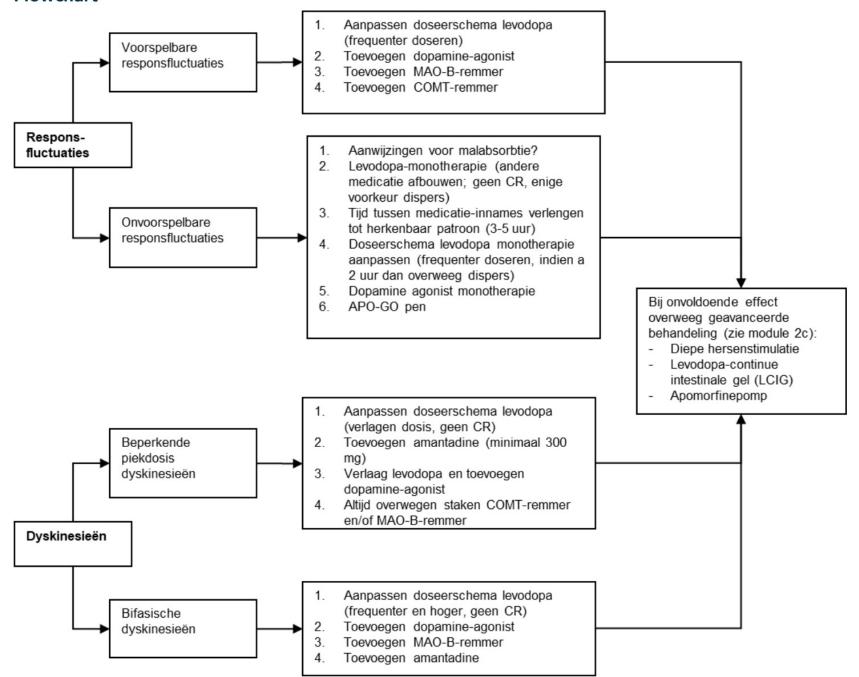


REVIEW

Motor and Nonmotor Complications of Levodopa: Phenomenology, Risk Factors, and Imaging Features



#### **Flowchart**



## "invasive" approaches to advanced PD

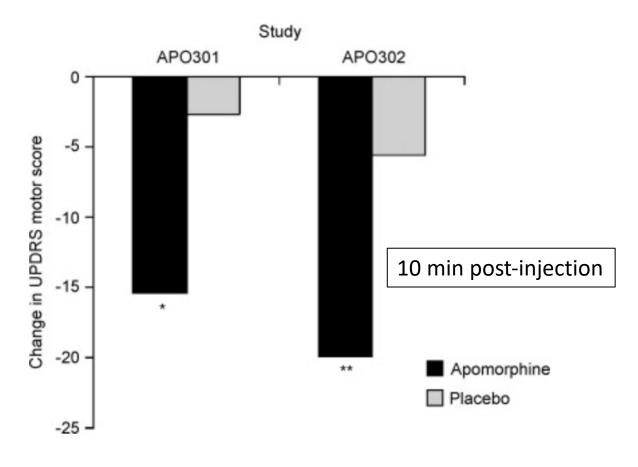
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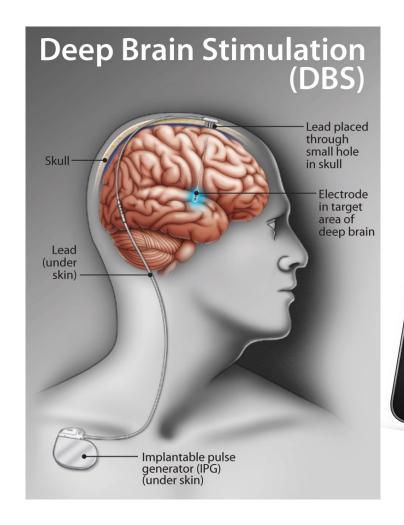
 Continuous intraduodenal administration of levodopa (Duodopa/Lecigimon)

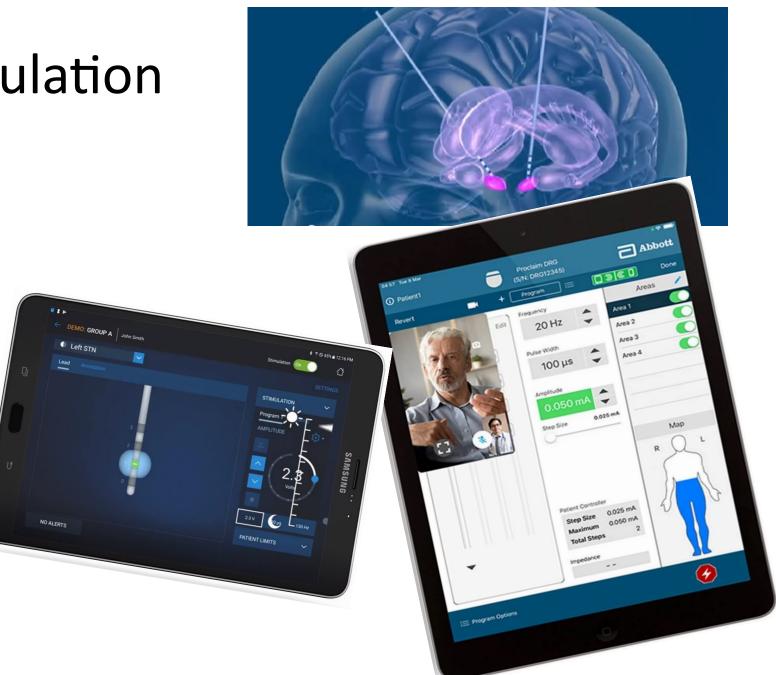
## Apomorphine pen (Apo-Go)





## Deep Brain Stimulation





## Duodopa/Lecigimon

#### Bypasses the stomach



Delivered in the intestine, where levodopa is mostly absorbed

