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S1 [001] Abstract

S1 [002] Neurons in human Alzheimer's disease acquire phenotypes that are also present in various cancers, including over-stabilization of the cytoskeleton, nuclear pleomorphism, decondensation of constitutive heterochromatin, and aberrant activation of the cell cycle.

Neurons ...
... in human Alzheimer's disease acquire phenotypes ...
... that are also present ...
... in various cancers, ...
... including over-stabilization ...
... of the cytoskeleton, ...
... nuclear pleomorphism, ...
... decondensation ...
... of constitutive heterochromatin, ...
... and aberrant activation ...
... of the cell cycle.

S1 [003] Unlike in cancer, in which cell cycle activation drives tumor formation, activation of the cell cycle in post-mitotic neurons is sufficient to induce neuronal death.

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Unlike ...
... in cancer, ...
... in which cell cycle activation drives tumor formation, ...
... activation ...
... of the cell cycle ...
... in post-mitotic neurons is sufficient ...
... to induce neuronal death.
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S1 [004] Multiple lines of evidence suggest that abortive cell cycle activation is a consequence of pathogenic forms of tau, a protein that drives neurodegeneration in Alzheimer's disease and related "tauopathies."

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Multiple lines ...
... of evidence suggest ...
... that abortive cell cycle activation is a consequence ...
... of pathogenic forms ...
... of tau, ...
... a protein ...
... that drives neurodegeneration ...
... in Alzheimer's disease ...
... and related "tauopathies." ...
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S1 [005] We have combined network analysis of human Alzheimer's disease and mouse tauopathy with mechanistic studies in Drosophila to discover that pathogenic forms of tau drive abortive cell cycle activation by disrupting the cellular program that maintains neuronal identity.

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... of human Alzheimer's disease ...
... and mouse tauopathy ...
... with mechanistic studies ...
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... that pathogenic forms ...
... of tau drive abortive cell cycle activation ...
... by disrupting the cellular program ...
... that maintains neuronal identity.
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S1 [006] Mechanistically, we identify Moesin, a prognostic biomarker for cancer and mediator of the epithelial-mesenchymal transition (EMT), as a major effector of tau-induced neurotoxicity.

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Mechanistically, ...
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... a prognostic biomarker ...
... for cancer ...
... and mediator ...
... of the epithelial-mesenchymal transition ...
... (EMT), ...
... as a major effector ...
... of tau-induced neurotoxicity.
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S1 [007] We find that aberrant activation of Moesin in neurons acts through the actin cytoskeleton to dysregulate the cellular program that maintains neuronal identity.

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... that aberrant activation ...
... of Moesin ...
... in neurons acts ...
... through the actin cytoskeleton ...
... to dysregulate the cellular program ...
... that maintains neuronal identity.
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S1 [008] Our study identifies mechanistic parallels between tauopathy and cancer and sets the stage for novel therapeutic approaches.

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Our study identifies mechanistic parallels ...
... between tauopathy ...
... and cancer ...
... and sets the stage ...
... for novel therapeutic approaches.
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S2 [010] Post-mitotic cells such as neurons require persistently active cellular controls to maintain a quiescent, non-cycling, state of terminal differentiation1–3.

Post-mitotic cells ...
... such as neurons require persistently active cellular controls ...
... to maintain a quiescent, ...
... non-cycling, ...
... state ...
... of terminal differentiation1–3.

S2 [011] A curious aspect of postmortem human Alzheimer's disease brains as well as brains of multiple animal models of Alzheimer's disease and related tauopathies is the neuronal upregulation of proteins that are associated with cell cycle activation4,5.

A curious aspect ...
... of postmortem human Alzheimer's disease brains ...
... as well ...
... as brains ...
... of multiple animal models ...
... of Alzheimer's disease ...
... and related tauopathies is the neuronal upregulation ...
... of proteins ...
... that are associated ...
... with cell cycle activation4,5.

S2 [012] Unlike cancer, in which uncontrolled cell division causes tumor formation, cell cycle activation in post-mitotic neurons causes neuronal death rather than neuronal division6–9.

Unlike cancer, ...
... in which uncontrolled cell division causes tumor formation, ...
... cell cycle activation ...
... in post-mitotic neurons causes neuronal death rather than neuronal division6–9.

S2 [013] Cellular phenotypes beyond cell cycle activation are shared between tauopathy and various cancers, including over-stabilization of the actin cytoskeleton10–13, changes in nuclear shape and the lamin nucleoskeleton14,15 and loss of heterochromatin-mediated transcriptional silencing16,17 all of which are also known to be important determinants of cellular identity18–20.

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... to be important determinants ...
... of cellular identity18–20.

S2 [014] Some basic biological functions require dynamic shifts between programs that control cellular identity and those that promote cellular plasticity.

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... between programs ...
... that control cellular identity ...
... and those ...
... that promote cellular plasticity.

S2 [015] During EMT, for example, transdifferentiation of epithelial cells into mesenchymal cells is important for wound healing21,22 and organ development23.

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During EMT, ...
... for example, ...
... transdifferentiation ...
... of epithelial cells ...
... into mesenchymal cells is important ...
... for wound healing21,22 ...
... and organ development23.
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S2 [016] Mechanistically, the cytoskeletal remodeling that occurs with EMT causes breakdown of cell-to-cell connections and depletion of proteins that maintain a terminally differentiated epithelial identity.

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... the cytoskeletal remodeling ...
... that occurs ...
... with EMT causes breakdown ...
... of cell-to-cell connections ...
... and depletion ...
... of proteins ...
... that maintain a terminally differentiated epithelial identity.
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S2 [017] A shift from cellular identity to cellular plasticity can also mediate disease.

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A shift ...
... from cellular identity ...
... to cellular plasticity can also mediate disease.
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S2 [018] In cancer, for example, EMT disrupts the terminally differentiated epithelial phenotype to facilitate tumor metastasis24,25, cell cycle activation and consequent malignancy26,27,28.

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In cancer, ...
... for example, ...
... EMT disrupts the terminally differentiated epithelial phenotype ...
... to facilitate tumor metastasis24,25, ...
... cell cycle activation ...
... and consequent malignancy26,27,28.
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S2 [019] In mature neurons, a terminally differentiated state is maintained by "terminal neuronal selector proteins," key transcription factors that are in part regulated by the extracellular environment29–32.

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