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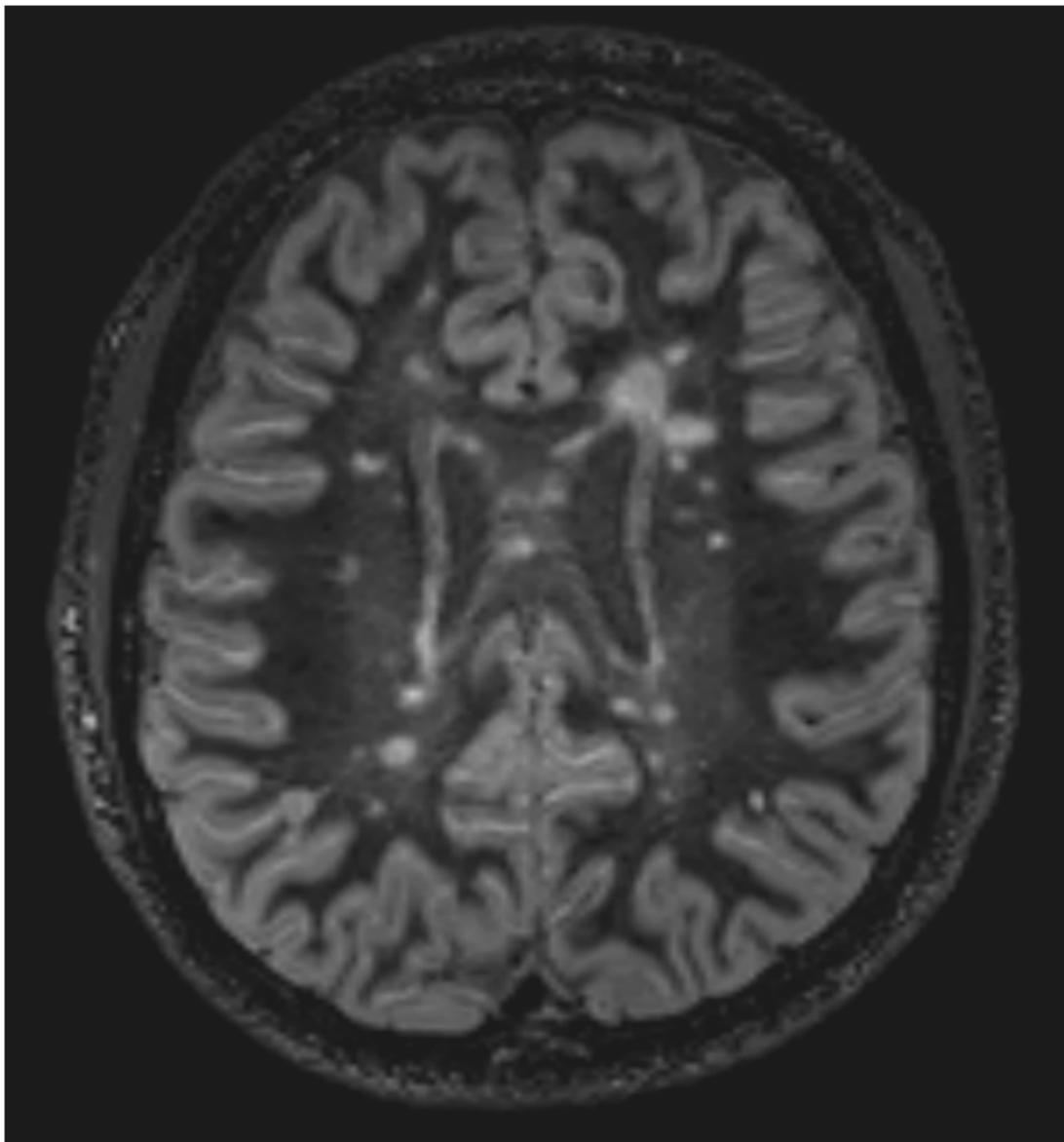
## Imagerie de la sclérose en plaques

### Où en sommes-nous en 2015 ?

Samedi 21 mars 2015 09h00-13h00

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## **Programme**

08h30 Inscription, café d'accueil

08h55 Mot d'introduction Reto MEULI

09h00 **La sclérose en plaques : pathophysiologie et clinique** Myriam SCHLUER

- Mécanismes moléculaires de l'inflammation et de la neuro-générescence
- Symptomatologie, cognition et handicap

09h45 **Le rôle du radiologue dans l'établissement du diagnostic et du suivi médical** Patric HAGMANN

- Techniques d'imagerie
- Critères diagnostics
- Critères de suivi
- Comment établir un rapport de qualité

10h30 PAUSE

11h00 **Diagnostic différentiel des lésions de la substance blanche et des complications liées au traitement** Philippe MAEDER

11h45 **Les techniques d'imagerie avancées pour la SEP** Cristina GRANZIERA

12h15 Apéritif

# Sclérose en Plaques Pathophysiologie & Clinique

PD Dr Myriam Schluep

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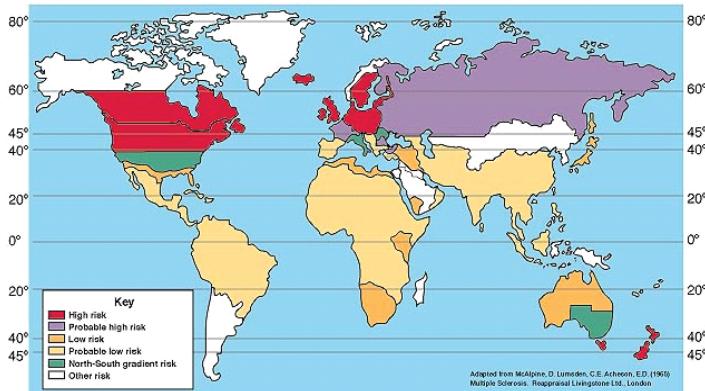
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## SEP

- ❖ Cause de handicap neurologique la plus fréquente du jeune adulte en Occident
- ❖ Prévalence en Suisse 110/10<sup>5</sup>
- ❖ Prédominance féminine



World Distribution of Multiple Sclerosis

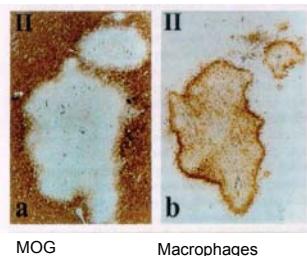


Prévalence suisse 110/10<sup>5</sup> - Population jeune 15-45 ans - 2.3 ♀ : 1 ♂

## Pathophysiologie de la SEP



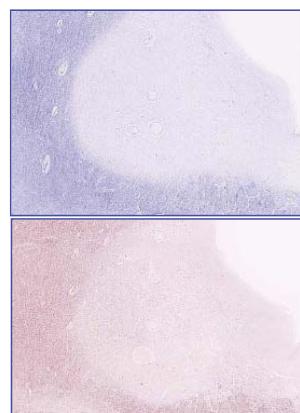
Barkhof F et al. Nat Rev Neurol 2009;5:256-266; Compston A et al. Lancet 2008;372:1502-1517  
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MOG      Macrophages  
                  Microglie CD68

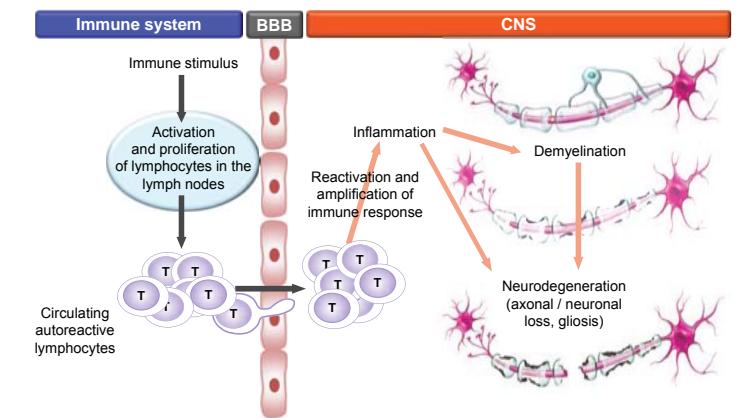
**Lésion SEP**

- ✓ Inflammation
- ✓ Démyélinisation
- ✓ Perte axonale



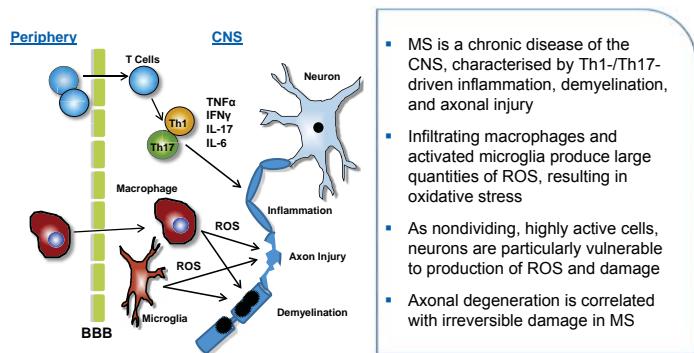
Luchinetti et al. Ann Neurol; Lassmann et al. TIMM 2001  
Noseworthy JH et al. N Engl J Med 2000;343:938-952.

## Pathologie de la SEP: système immunitaire et SNC



BBB, blood / brain barrier; CNS, central nervous system  
Chun J, Hartung HP. Clin Neuropharmacol 2010; Mehling M et al. Neurology 2010

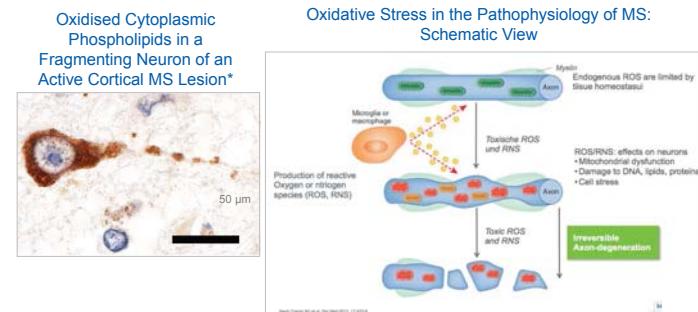
## Activated Immune Cells in the CNS Mediate Inflammatory Damage and Oxidative Stress



CNS=central nervous system; Th=T helper cell; TNF $\alpha$ =tumour necrosis factor alpha; IFN $\gamma$ =interferon gamma; IL=interleukin; ROS=reactive oxygen species; BBB=blood-brain barrier.

Compston A, Coles A. Lancet 2008;372:1502-1517; van Horssen J et al. Biochem Biophys Acta 2011;1812:141-150.

## Oxidative Damage in MS Lesions

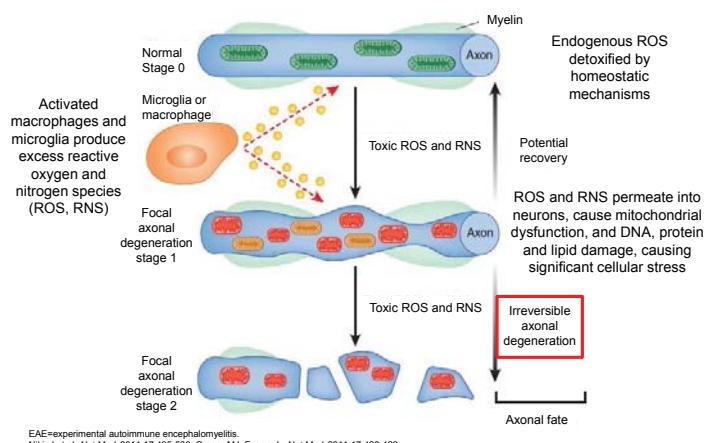


\*Monoclonal antibody (mouse) against oxidized phospholipids (Palinski et al. J Clin Invest. 1996;98:800-814).  
ROS/RNS=reactive oxygen or nitrogen species.

Fischer MT et al. Brain. 2013;136:1799-1815.

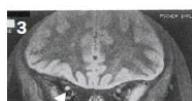
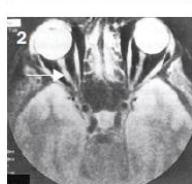
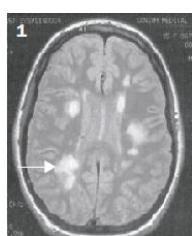
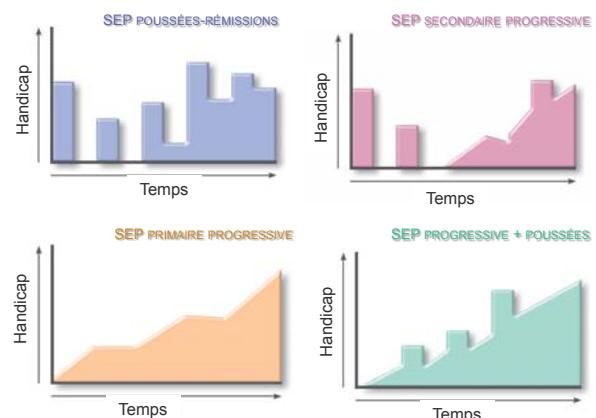
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## In Vivo Studies in EAE Suggest Myelinated Axons Are Susceptible to Oxidative Stress



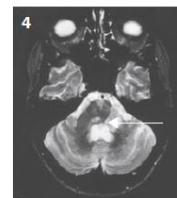
EAE=experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis.  
Nikic I et al. Nat Med. 2011;17:495-500; Cranner MJ, Fugger L. Nat Med. 2011;17:423-426.

## Traduction clinique des différentes formes de SEP



Site	Symptoms	Signs
<b>Cerebrum</b>		
	Cognitive impairment	Deficits in attention, reasoning, and executive function (early); dementia (late)
	Hemi-sensory and motor	Upper motor neuron signs
	Affective (mainly depression)	
	Epilepsy (rare)	
	Focal cortical deficits (rare)	
<b>Optic nerve</b>	Unilateral painful loss of vision	Scotoma, reduced visual acuity, colour vision, and relative afferent pupillary defect
<b>Cerebellum and cerebellar pathways</b>	Tremor	Postural and action tremor, dysarthria
	Clumsiness and poor balance	Limb incoordination and gait ataxia

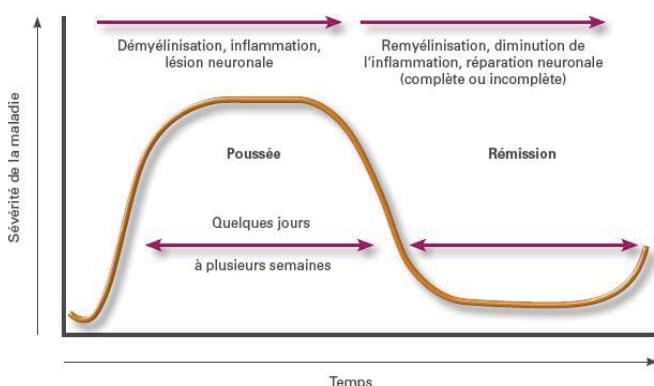
Compston and Coles, Lancet 2002



<b>Brainstem</b>	Diplopia, oscillopsia Vertigo	Nystagmus, internuclear, and other complex ophthalmoplegias
<b>Spinal cord</b>	Impaired speech and swallowing Paroxysmal symptoms	Dysarthria and pseudo-bulbar palsy
	Weakness Stiffness and painful spasms	Upper motor neuron signs Spasticity
<b>Other</b>	Bladder dysfunction  Erectile impotence Constipation	
	Pain  Fatigue	

Compston and Coles, Lancet 2002

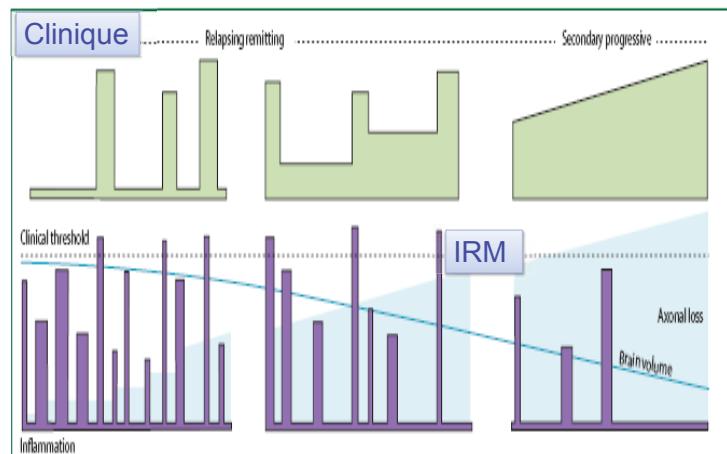
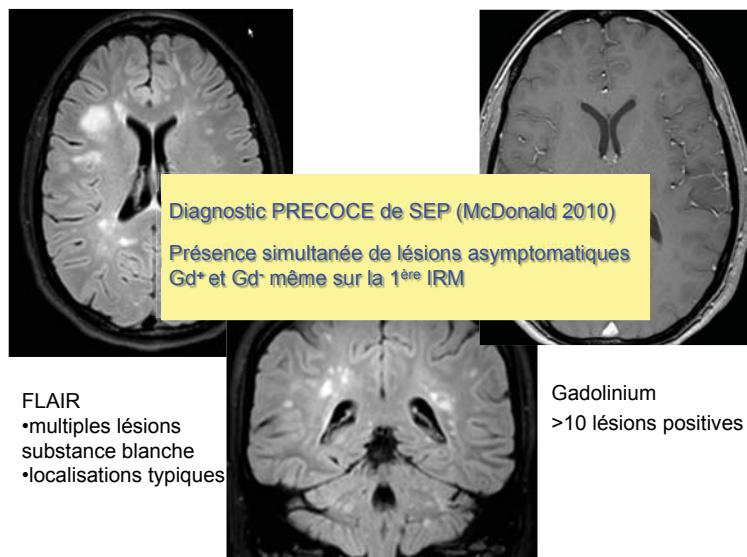
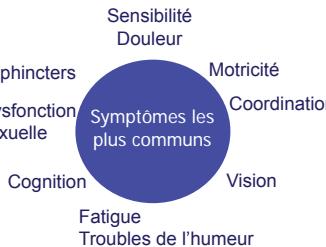
## SEP Poussées et phases de rémission



Adapté de Noseworthy et al., N Engl J Med. 2000

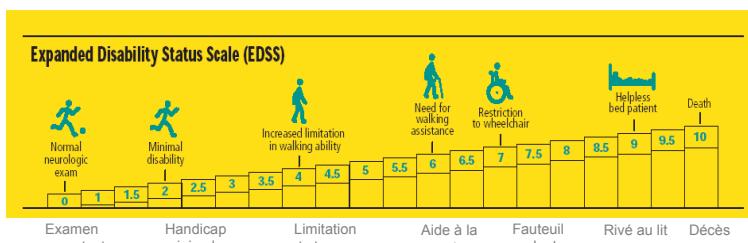
## Poussée de SEP: définition & traitement

- Symptômes nouveaux
- Ou en aggravation
- Durée  $\geq 24$  h
- Déficits objectifs
- Période stable  $\geq 1$  mois
- Exclure les pseudo-poussées infection,  $\uparrow T^o \downarrow pH$  (Uhthoff), épisodes paroxystiques
- Traitement**
- Méthylprednisolone iv 1 g/j sur 3-5 j
- Méthylprednisolone po 500 mg/j sur 5 j



Compston and Coles, Lancet 2008

## Mesurer le handicap neurologique Indicateur du type d'évolution de la SEP



Sévérité de la SEP: équilibre réparation-endommagement  
Importance du diagnostic précoce

Kurtzke, Neurology 1983

## Cognition et SEP

- Haute prévalence de difficultés cognitives
  - ✓ 40-65% des patients SEP selon les études
- Parfois présents dès début de la SEP
  - ✓ Pas de lien clair avec durée de la SEP
  - ✓ Possibles en l'absence de handicap neurologique
  - ✓ Peu de corrélation avec progression du handicap neurologique
- Impact sur le fonctionnement social, professionnel et sur la qualité de vie

Amato et al. 1995; Ruggieri et al. 2003; Rao et al. 1991; Defer 2001

## Difficultés cognitives dans la SEP



## Nature des troubles cognitifs et IRM

### Localisation des lésions (mesures T2/FLAIR, T1)

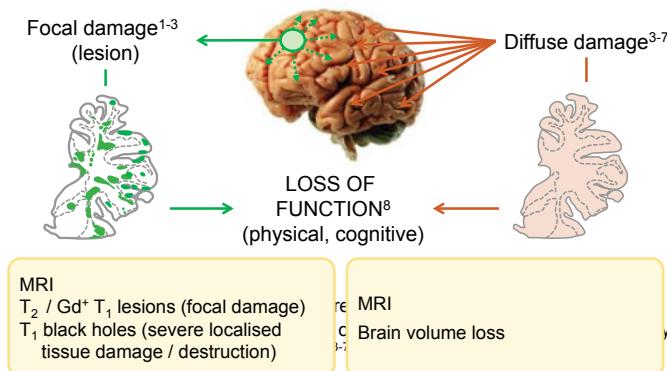
- ✓ Frontale → difficultés de résolution de problèmes, de mémoire, d'initiation
- ✓ Pariéto-occipitale → déficits de mémoire, d'aptitudes spatiales

### Diminution du volume cérébral

- ✓ Atrophie substance blanche → meilleur prédicteur des difficultés de traitement rapide de l'information, de mémoire de travail
- ✓ Atrophie substance grise → meilleur prédicteur des difficultés de mémoire verbale, des comportements de type euphorie-désinhibition

Swirsky-Sacchetti Arnett et al., 1994; Roivaris et al. 1998; Swirsky-Sacchetti et al. 1992; Benedict et al. 2006

## MS causes focal and diffuse damage to the brain



1. Sismanopoulos JG et al. Radiographics 2007; 2. Markovic-Plese S. McFarland HF. Curr Neurol Neurosci Rep 2001; 3. Kutzelnigg A and Lassmann H. Handbook Clin Neurol 2014; 4. Kutzelnigg A et al. Brain 2005; 5. Fischer JM et al. Brain 2009; 6. Chun J and Hartung HP. Clin Neuropharmacol 2010; 7. Lassmann H. Glia 2014; 8. Barten LJ et al. Drug Des Dev Ther 2010. Left and right brain images adapted with permission from Kutzelnigg A et al.. Cortical demyelination and diffuse white matter injury in multiple sclerosis, Brain 2005; 128 (Pt 11); 2705-2712 by permission of Oxford University Press

## Impact of cognitive dysfunction in MS

Cognitive dysfunction has a negative impact on the lives of people with MS and affects a number of factors in addition to physical impairment<sup>1-4</sup>

Everyday life	Disease management	Safety
Employment	Medication adherence	Driving
Leisure	Rehabilitation outcomes	Falls
Relationships	Medical decision-making	
Physical independence	Symptom management	
Mood and behaviour		
		Quality of life

1. Henry A et al. J Int Neuropsychol Soc 2011; 2. Hoogs M et al. Int J MS Care 2011; 3. Langdon DW. Curr Opin Neurol 2011;  
4. Schultheis MT et al. Arch Phys Med Rehabil 2010

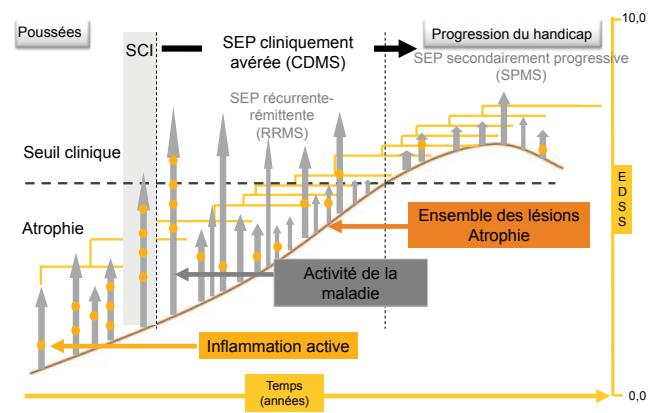
## Annonce du diagnostic de SEP

### Démarche médicale

- Evolution des critères McDonald 2001, 2005, 2010
- Diagnostic précoce
- Après l'exclusion de tout autre diagnostic
  - ✓ L'IRM seule ne suffit pas
- Refaire une IRM à 3 mois ou plus tardivement ?
- Définir
  - ✓ Le type de SEP
  - ✓ Le stade de la SEP (SEP possible ou syndrome clinique isolé, CIS)

## Sclérose en plaques

Caractéristiques de l'évolution de la SEP



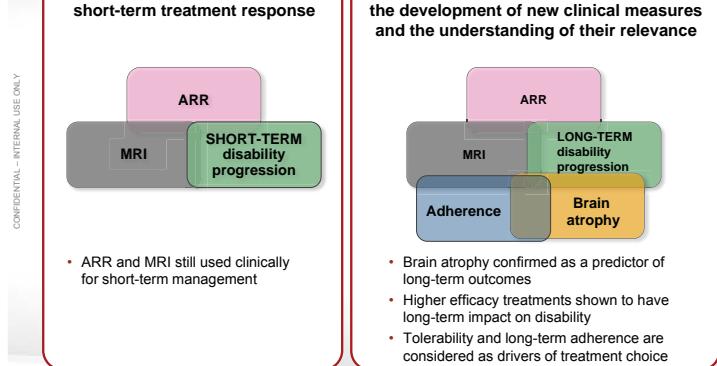
SCI=syndrome cliniquement isolé; RRMS, relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis, SEP récurrente-rémitente; SPMS, secondary progressive Multiple Sclerosis; EDSS, Extended Disability Status Scale, échelle étendue de l'état d'invalidité.

## Annonce du diagnostic de SEP

### Transmettre au patient

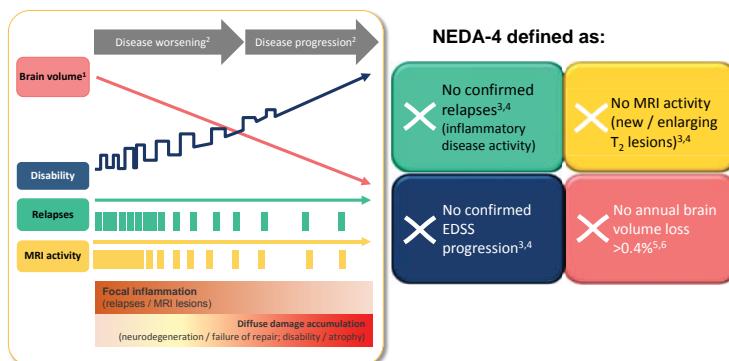
- o Importance d'un diagnostic précoce
- o Traitements prophylactiques efficaces
  - ✓ Les premiers dès 1995
  - ✓ Dynamisme thérapeutique depuis lors
- o Vaincre l'image délétère de la SEP
  - ✓ Reconnaître ce qui correspond à chacun
  - ✓ Connaître les symptômes et mécanismes
  - ✓ Eviter les idées préconçues

## Traiter la SEP: effets à court et à long terme



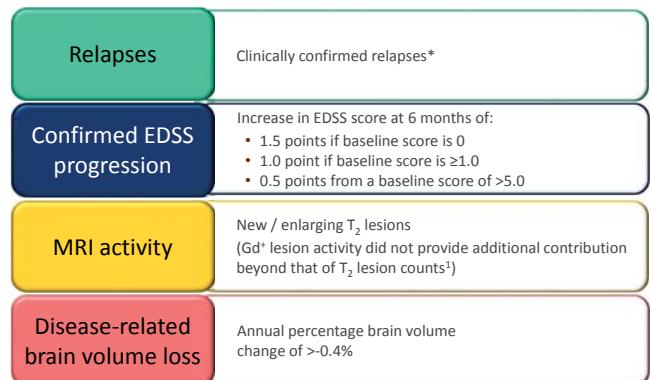
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## No evidence of disease activity (NEDA-4)



Adapted from Drug design, development and therapy 4, Barten LJ et al. New approaches in the management of multiple sclerosis, pp 343-66, copyright (2010) with permission from Dove Medical Press<sup>1</sup>. Bevan CJ, Cree BA. JAMA Neurol 2014; 2. Lublin FD et al. Neurology 2014; 3. Havrdova E et al. Lancet Neurology 2009; 4. Giovannoni G et al. Lancet Neurology 2011; 5. Radu EW et al. Swiss Med Wkly 2013; 6. De Stefano N et al. CNS Drugs 2014

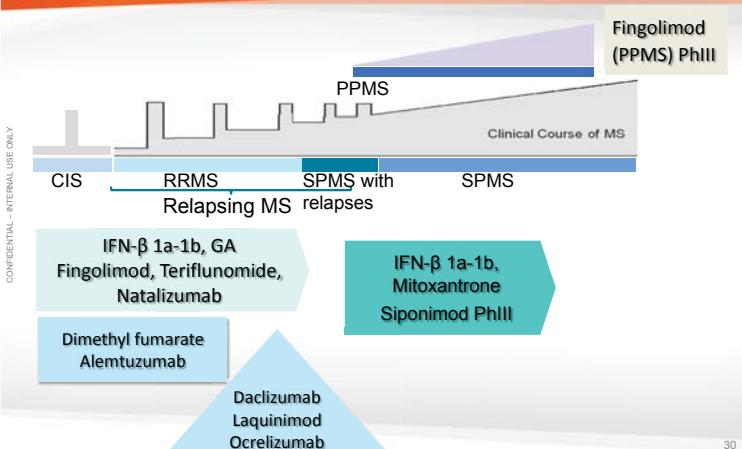
## The NEDA-4 definition



\*New neurological symptoms present for at least 24 hours, in the absence of fever or infection, manifesting ≥30 days from onset of a preceding demyelinating event and confirmed by an independent evaluating physician within 7 days of onset. Gd<sup>+</sup>, gadolinium-enhancing

1. Kappos L et al. Oral FC1.5 presented at ECTRIMS-ACRIMS 2014

## SEP: possibilités et développements thérapeutiques



### Fingolimod Gilenya® 1<sup>ère</sup> ligne

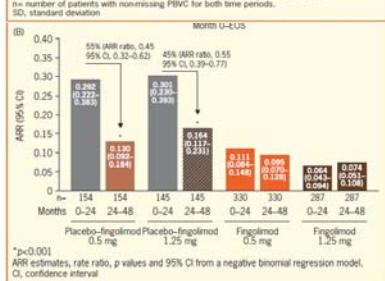
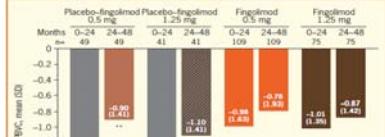
Perte de volume cérébral

✓ Poussées: ↓ 54%

✓ Atrophie cérébrale: ↓ 31%

Taux annuel de poussées

Figure 4. Mean PBVC in months 24–48 and months 0–24 (within-group comparisons, extension ITT population)

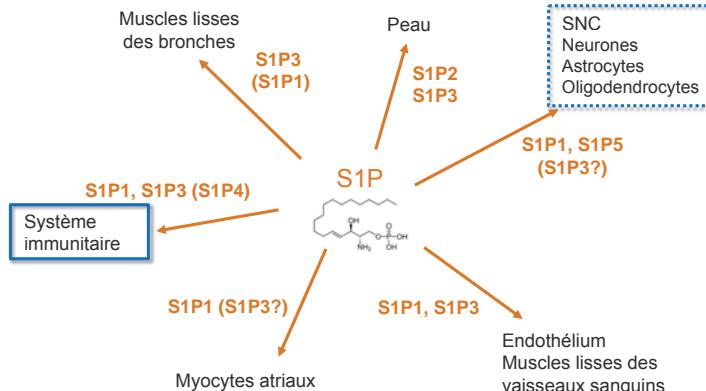


Kappos et al. Poster 979 presented at ECTRIMS 2012

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## Fingolimod

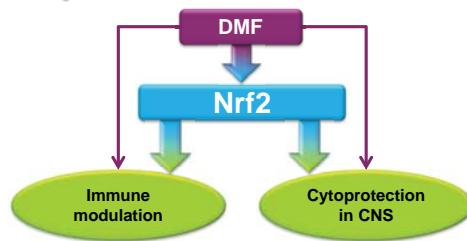
Cible les récepteurs sphingosine-1-phosphate (S1P)



Modifié d'après Pyne S et al. Cell Signal 2009; 21: 14-21

## Dimethyl Fumarate: Potential Mode of Action

Tecfidera® 1<sup>ère</sup> ligne

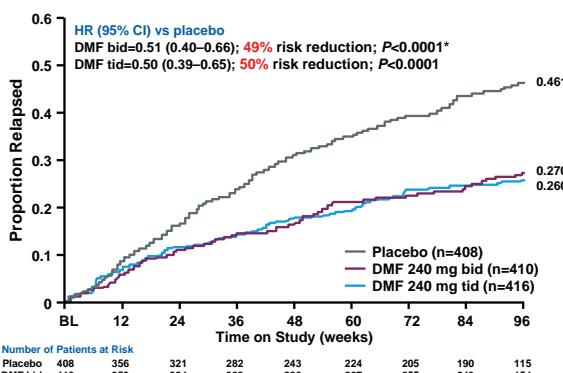


- Reduced CNS infiltration of immune cells
- Attenuation of proinflammatory cytokine production
- Modulation of Th1/Th2 balance toward anti-inflammatory phenotype
- Tissue distribution includes CNS
- Neuroprotection in multiple animal models of neurodegeneration
  - Inflammatory
  - Toxic
  - Genetic
- Cytoprotection against oxidative stress in vitro

Linker RA et al. Brain 2011;134:678-692; Schilling S et al. Clin Exp Immunol 2006;145:101-107; Ellrichmann G et al. PLoS One 2011;6:e16172; Scannevin RH et al. J Pharmacol Exp Ther 2012;341:274-284.

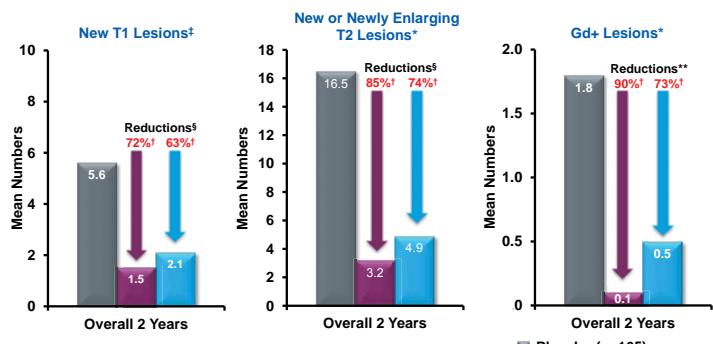
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## DEFINE: Proportion of Patients Relapsed



INCOM-independent neurology evaluation committee; HR=hazard ratio. Circconfidence interval; BL=baseline.  
\*In DEFINE, reduction of the estimated proportion of patients with a relapse at 2 y with DMF bid vs. Placebo was 44% ( $P=0.01$ ).  
Gold R et al. Placebo-Controlled Phase 3 Study of Oral BC-12 for Relapsing Multiple Sclerosis. *N Engl J Med*. 2012;367:1098-1107.

## DEFINE: MRI Results at 96 weeks



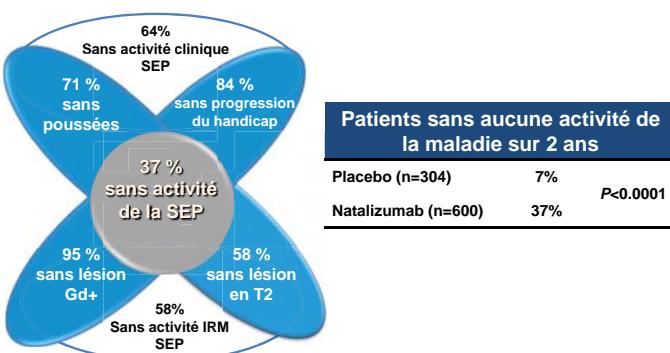
\*Secondary endpoint; †Tertiary endpoint; ‡ $P<0.001$  vs. placebo  
§Negative binomial regression, adjusted for region and baseline lesion volume. \*\*Ordinal logistic regression analysis, adjusted for region and baseline number of Gd+ lesions.

¶In DEFINE, MRI measures were significantly reduced in patients with DMF bid vs. Placebo: T2: 71%; T1: 5%; Gd+: 74%. Gold R et al. Placebo-Controlled Phase 3 Study of Oral BC-12 for Relapsing Multiple Sclerosis. *N Engl J Med*. 2012;367:1098-1107.

Arnold DL, Gold R, Kappo L, et al. Effects of delayed-release dimethyl fumarate on MRI measures in the Phase 3 DEFINE study. *J Neurol*. DOI 10.1007/s00415-014-7412-x.

Published online: 03 July 2014.

## Natalizumab (Tysabri®)

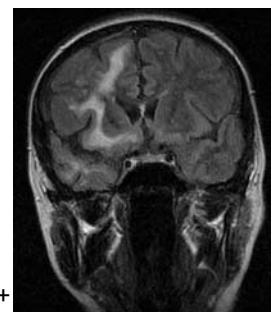


$P<0.0001$ , natalizumab vs placebo, for all individual and combined disease measures. MRI=magnetic resonance imaging; Gd+=gadolinium-enhancing. Havrdová E et al. *Lancet Neurol*. 2009;8:254-260.

## Natalizumab: risque de leucoencéphalopathie multifocale progressive (LEMP)

### Polyomavirus JC (JCV)

- Individus sains infectés
  - 55% des patients SEP JCV+
- Sites latents: reins, moelle osseuse cerveau ?
- Immunosuppression réplication active JCV dans cellules gliales, oligodendrocytes lysés
- LEMP: 7/10<sup>3</sup> HIV négatif, 5% AIDS
- Rôle crucial des lymphocytes T CD8+
  - (Du Pasquier RA et al, *Brain* 2004)



Polman CH et al, *N Engl J Med* 2006; Rudick RA et al, *N Engl J Med* 2006; Yousry TA et al, *N Engl J Med* 2006

## La LEMP est un effet secondaire rare: 2.11/1000 Définir le risque pour chaque patient SEP

Avoir été infecté par le virus JC

- 55% des patients SEP ont des anticorps positifs

Etre traité depuis plus de 24 mois par le natalizumab

Avoir reçu des traitements immunosuppresseurs auparavant

### Patients avec anticorps JCV négatifs

- Test STRATIFY JCV 1x/6 mois: 2% séroconversion/an

Index result	PML risk estimates per 1000 patients (no prior IS use)		
	1-24 months (95% CI)	25-48 months (95% CI)	49-72 months (95% CI)
≤0.9	0.1 (0-0.41)	0.3 (0.04-1.13)	0.4 (0.01-2.15)
≤1.1	0.1 (0-0.34)	0.7 (0.21-1.53)	0.7 (0.08-2.34)
≤1.3	0.1 (0.01-0.39)	1.0 (0.48-1.98)	1.2 (0.31-2.94)
≤1.5	0.1 (0.03-0.42)	1.2 (0.64-2.15)	1.3 (0.41-2.96)
>1.5	1.0 (0.64-1.41)	8.1 (6.64-9.8)	8.5 (6.22-11.38)

PML risk estimates for anti-JCV antibody index thresholds were calculated based on the current PML risk stratification algorithm (from September 2012) and predicted probabilities shown in Table 1 for the population at or below that particular index (0.9-1.5) and for the population above an index of 1.5. For index thresholds below 0.9, patient numbers were insufficient to allow for calculation of risk estimates.

- Contrôles neurologiques réguliers

- IRM cérébrale 1x/an (JCV-), 2x/an (JCV+)

Pilavita T et al., Anti-JCV antibody index further defines PML risk in natalizumab-treated MS patients. Presented at the 27th Annual Meeting of the Consortium of Multiple Sclerosis Centers May 29-June 1, 2013 Orlando, Florida.

## SEP: quel suivi, quels risques ?

Risques des traitements



Maladie évolutive,  
potentiellement  
handicapante

Traitement  
✓ tardif  
✓ insuffisant



### Programme

- Inflammation et neuro-dégénérescence
- Histoire naturelle des lésions
- Les types de lésions
- Critères diagnostics
- Suivi: Charge lésionnelle et atrophie cérébrale
- Technique d'imagerie, protocole « Swiss MS »

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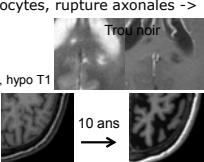
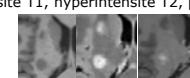
**Rappel patho-physiologique: inflammation et neurodégénérescence**

- Inflammation**
  - Lymphocytes, Macrophages passent la BHE et attaquent la myéline, les oligodendrocytes, les axones
  - Haut degré d'inflammation:
    - Formation de plaques dans MB autour de vénules
    - Œdème, rupture de la BHE
  - Bas degré d'inflammation:
    - Démélinisation corticale (lésions corticales)
    - Dysmélinisation de la MB (Normal Appearing White Matter, plaques chroniques)
- Neurodégénérescence**
  - Résultat de l'inflammation chronique
    - Apoptose des Oligodendrocytes, Transections d'axones, Dégénérescence wallérienne, Mort neuronale
    - Atrophie cérébrale, foyer de gliose

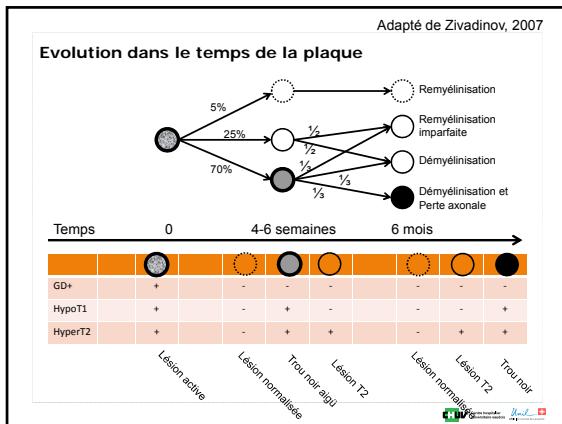
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### Imagerie de l'inflammation et de la neurodégénérescence

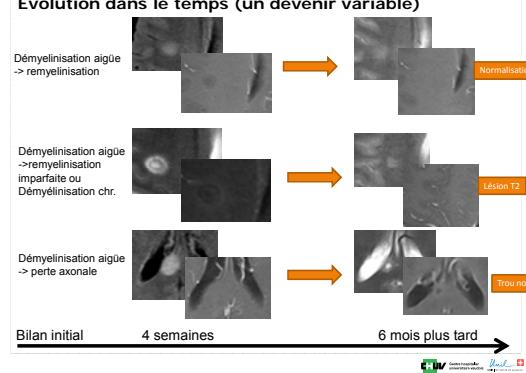
- Inflammation:**
  - Oedème, démyélinisation, rupture de la barrière HE
  - Plaque: hypointensité T1, hyperintensité T2, prise de contraste
- Neurodégénérescence:**
  - Apoptose/nécrose des oligodendrocytes, rupture axonales -> mort neuronale
  - Focalement:
    - glose et perte de substance
    - Plaque chronique (trou noir): hyper T2, hypo T1
  - Diffusément:
    - Perte de volume = atrophie



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### Evolution dans le temps (un devenir variable)



**Types de lésions**

- Classique:
  - Multiples, bien délimitées, ovalaires, perpendiculaires au CC, « en doigt de gant », péri-venulaire
  - Puissent impliquer les régions sous-corticales, le tronc cérébral, la moelle
  - Hyper T2, Iso ou hypo T1
  - Prise de contraste en phase aiguë (~ 1 mois), nodulaire, arciforme
  - ADC: ↑ en général, parfois ↓ si aigues
  - MRS: ↓ NAA, Choline → ou ↑

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**Type de lésions**

- Plaque géante

- Lésion médullaire
  - 10-20% des SEP
  - En général cervical
  - Dorso-latérale, <1/2 surface
  - < 2 segments
  - A cheval entre MB et MG

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**Types de lésions**

- Forme pseudo-tumorale
  - CBV ↓
  - MRS: si Cho ↓ utile

- Sclérose concentrique de Baló
  - Plaque avec image en cible correspondant à des fronts de démyélinisation successive.

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**Diagnostique de la sclérose en plaque (SEP)**

- Le diagnostic de SEP est basé sur une combinaison de signes et symptômes ainsi que de tests paracliniques (IRM, ponction lombaire) évocateur de maladie inflammatoire. **Pas de clinique = Pas de SEP**
- Éléments clés:**
  - Dissémination dans le temps (DIT) et l'espace (DIE)** de la présentation clinique ou/et radiologique
  - Pas d'alternative** diagnostique plausible **Il faut toujours faire un bilan d'exclusion**

Présentation clinique	IRM
DIT +, DIE +	-
DIT +, DIE -	DIE +
DIT -, DIE +	DIT +
DIT -, DIE -	DIT +, DIE +
DIT< 2 attaques (>24h)	DIT+, DIE+: c.f. critères de McDonald 2010
DIE< 2 déficits neurologiques distincts	

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**Syndrome Clinique Isolé (CIS)**

- Signe d'atteinte focale du SNC d'une durée d'au moins 24 heures suggestif d'être une première **poussée** de SEP
- Exemples: dysesthésies, diminution de l'acuité visuelle, faiblesse d'un membre, diplopie, trouble de la coordination, vertiges
- Il peut y avoir plusieurs déficits en même temps mais **un seul épisode**
- Patient à risque** de développer une sclérose en plaque (Fisniku et al, 2008; ON Study group, 2008):
  - IRM-: Risque de développer un SEP : 20%
    - IRM+: ≥1 lésions suggestive de SEP
  - IRM+: Risque de développer SEP : 70%
  - IRM avec critères de McDonald 2011: le patient a une SEP

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**Patient présentant un CIS: que faut-il pour en faire une SEP**

- Il faut que les **critères de McDonald 2010** soient remplis (Polman et al, 2011) → IRM: DIT ± DIE

Dissémination dans le temps (DIT)	Dissémination dans l'espace (DIE)
Apparition d'une nouvelle lésion par rapport à un examen comparatif.	≥1 lésion T2 dans au moins 2 des 4 régions suivantes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Périventriculaire</li> <li>- Juxtacortical</li> <li>- Infratentiel</li> <li>- Moelle épinière</li> </ul>
OU	
Présence simultanée de lésions T2 Gd+ et Gd-*	

- Dans le cadre d'un CIS ces critères ont une sensibilité de 77% et une spécificité de 90% (Swanton 2006).

Ne s'applique pas à une découverte radiologique fortuite (RIS)!  
Manque de spécificité!

\* Il faut 1 lésion Gd+ non symptomatique

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**Cas no 1**

- Patient de 25 ans développant une diminution de l'acuité visuelle de l'œil G
- Ophalmoscopie démontre une névrite rétrobulbaire
- CIS -> SEP? Ad IRM

Pas de prise de contraste

IRM

**Cas no 1**

- 3 mois plus tard, contrôle
- DIT+ -> SEP

Nécessité de 2 IRM pour établir la DIT -> SEP

IRM

**Cas no 2**

- Homme de 30 ans avec hypoesthésie des MI et trouble sensitif D1-D2 -> CIS
- IRM
  - Myérite thoracique (hyper T2, Gd+)
  - 2 lésions cérébrales (Gd+ et Gd-)
  - (Bandes oligoclonales)

IRM

**Cas no 3**

- Fille de 16 ans ayant présenté initialement avec une dysarthrie

IRM

IRM

**Cas no 3**

- 6 mois plus tard contrôle chez une patiente asymptomatique

La 2<sup>ème</sup> IRM établi la DIE et DIT -> SEP

IRM

**Cas no 4**

- Homme de 35 ans, présentant un hemisindrome G progressif sur quelques jours.
- Clinique suspecte de SEP, DIS-, DIE- cliniquement => CIS => ad IRM

IRM

IRM

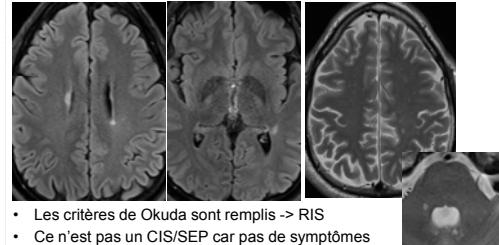
### Syndrome Radiologique Isolé (RIS)

- Définition:** Découverte fortuite à l'IRM de lésions cérébrales hautement suggestives de SEP en l'absence de symptômes.
  - Critères RIS selon Okuda:**
    - Lésions de morphologie suggestive (ovoïdes, bien délimitées, homogènes)
    - Hyperintensités T2 de >3 mm et remplissant au moins 3 des 4 critères (McDonald 2001):
      - ≥9 lésions ou ≥1 Gd+
      - ≥3 périventriculaires
      - ≥1 lésions juxtacorticales
      - ≥1 lésions infratentorielles/spinales
    - Les lésions de sont pas évocatrices de microangiopathie hypertensive ou en relation avec une ingestion de toxiques
    - Anamnèse négative pour des symptômes neurologiques transitoires
    - Pas d'alternative diagnostique probante
- Okuda et al, 2008



### Cas no 5

- Bilan de céphalées
- On trouve des lésions suggestives de SEP (ovoïdes, périventriculaires)



- Les critères de Okuda sont remplis -> RIS
- Ce n'est pas un CIS/SEP car pas de symptômes



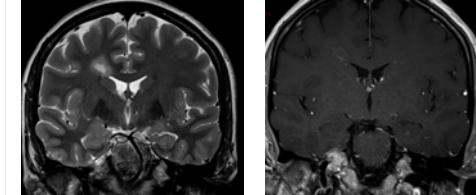
### Caractéristiques des patients avec présentant un RIS

- Examen neurologique normal au moment de l'examen IRM initial dans presque tous les cas
- Chez 60% de ces patients on observe une progression radiologique lors du suivi (nouvelles lésions)
- 30% développent un CIS ou une SEP**
- Si lésion médullaire asymptomatique le risque de CIS/SEP est de 80%!
- La présence de lésions Gd+ lors du bilan initial prédit une dissémination dans le temps lors du suivi HR=3.4.



### Cas no 6

- Bilan d'infertilité chez une patiente de 29 ans autrement asymptomatique



- Lésion d'allure inflammatoire, non spécifique (possible SEP)

L'IRM ne remplit pas les critères de Okuda.  
Ce n'est pas un RIS ni CIS ni SEP.  
C'est néanmoins une lésion d'allure inflammatoire ouvrant un DD, nécessite un bilan et doit être suivie



### Facteurs pronostics

- Charge lésionnelle (lésions T2)**
  - Le **nombre de lésions** sur la 1<sup>ère</sup> IRM diagnostique de CIS est prédictive du handicap à 10 ans ( $r=0.45^*$ ) (O'Riordan et al, 1998;
  - L'**évolution du volume lésionnel** dans les 5 premières années est prédictif du handicap à 14 ans ( $r=0.61^*$ ) (Brex et al 2002)
- Atrophie cérébrale** (Zivadinov et al, 2001)
  - Surveillé sur 2 ans de patients avec SEP
  - Corrélation + entre diminution de performance cognitive et diminution de volume cérébral ( $r=0.51^*$ )
  - Corrélation + entre augmentation du EDSS et diminution de volume cérébral ( $r=0.59^*$ )

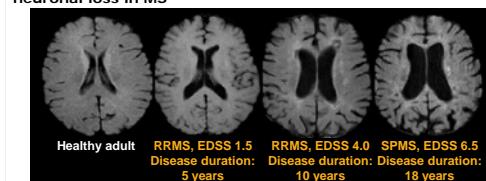
Charge lésionnelle et atrophie cérébrale sont des éléments qui intéressent le neurologue

Idéalement quantifiable



### Courtesy Dr A Weidenfelder

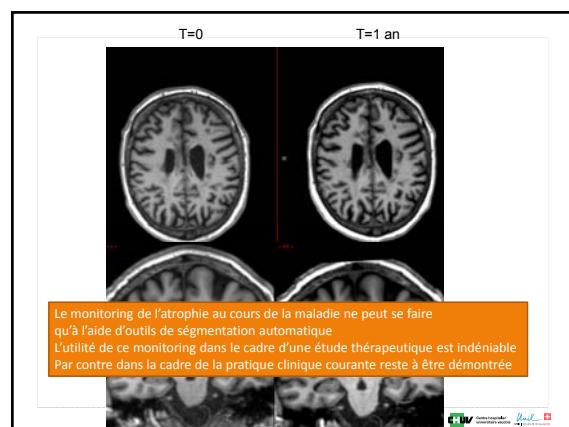
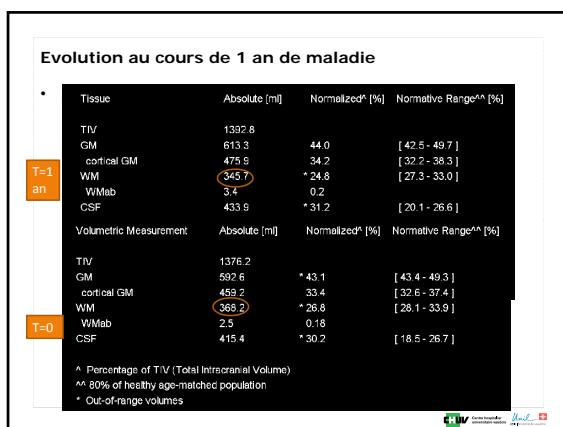
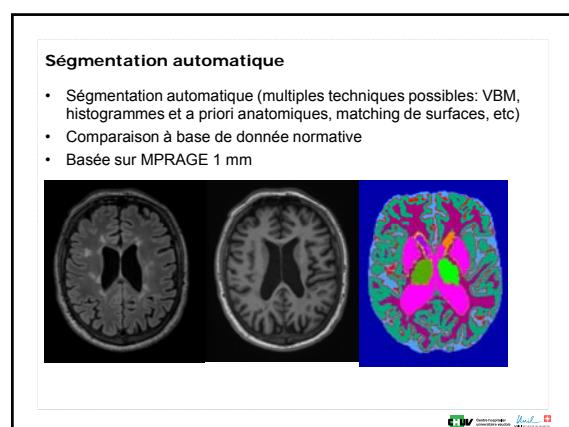
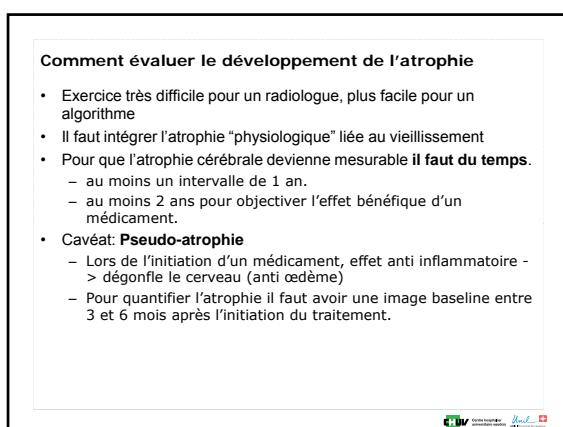
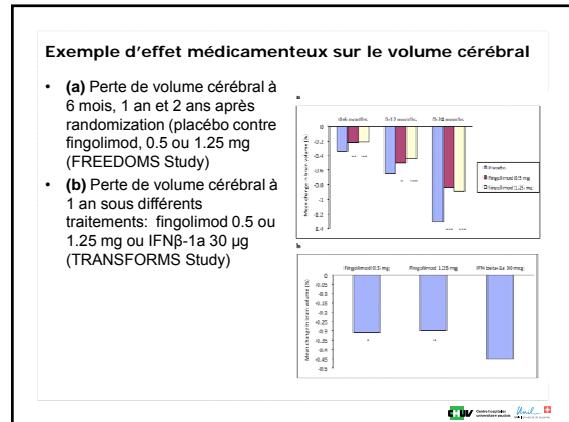
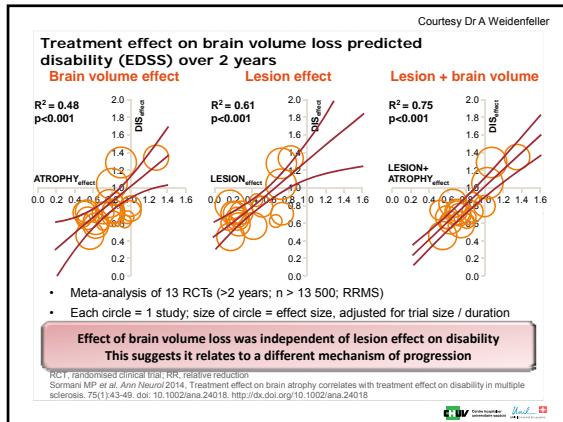
#### Brain volume change is a global marker of neuronal loss in MS



- Occurs in all clinical stages<sup>1,2</sup>
- Annual rate of loss in MS 0.5-1.35%**<sup>3-5</sup>
- Measures of global brain volume change are
  - robust
  - sensitive
  - relatively easy to standardise<sup>1,2</sup>

RRMS, relapsing-remitting MS; SPMS, secondary progressive MS. 1: Filippi M, Agosta F. J Magn Reson Imaging 2010; 32: Giorgio A, et al. Neuroimaging Clin N Am 2008; 3. De Stefano N, et al. Oral presentation S13.006 at AAN 2014. 4: Barkay F, et al. Nat Rev Neurol 2009; 5. Images reproduced from Lancer Neurol 5(2); Benner RA, Balak R. The measurement and clinical relevance of brain atrophy in multiple sclerosis, pages 158-170. Copyright (2006), with permission from Elsevier





### Monitoring

- Motivation:
  - Traiter tôt et efficacement
  - éviter l'accumulation de nouvelles lésions et l'atrophie
  - limiter le handicap à long terme
- Conséquences:
  - Monitoring IRM pour vérifier l'efficacité thérapeutique
    - À court terme: contrôle de l'activité
    - À long terme: accumulation de la charge lésionnelle et l'atrophie
  - Monitoring IRM pour détection précoce de complications des traitements puissants
- Recommendation:
  - Protocole de base

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### Protocole d'imagerie

- Le CHUV participe à une grande étude observationnelle nationale sur la SEP (Swiss MS).
- Dans ce cadre tous les centres universitaires ainsi que d'autres participants ont élaboré un protocole d'imagerie commun.

1. 3D GRE MPRAGE 1 mm isotrope
2. Injection de GD (0.1 mmol/kg)
3. 2D TSE T2/PD 46 coupes de 3 mm
4. 3D GRE FLAIR 1mm isotrope
5. 3D GRE MPRAGE 1mm isotrope

Suivre ce protocole permet une homogénéité au niveau Suisse.  
Neanmoins séquences 3D peuvent être remplacées par du 2D

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### Reporting pour le suivi de SEP

- Prédicteurs du handicap (EDSS, cognition)
  - Charge lésionnelle T2
    - Nombre, volume
    - Baseline, évolution
    - Localisation, en particulier pour les régions éloquentes
  - Atrophie
    - État actuel, évolution
    - Trous noirs
- Activité:
  - Nombre de nouvelles lésions (T2)
  - Lésions Gd+
- Eventuelles complications
  - PML

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### Conclusion: rôle de l'IRM

- Diagnostique (diagnostic de SEP pas encore établi)
- Suivi

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# Diagnostic différentiel des lésions de la substance blanche et des complications liées au traitement de la SEP

Philippe Maeder

- MS variants & MS like diseases
  - Marburg
  - Baló's concentric sclerosis
  - Schilder's myelinoclastic diffuse sclerosis
  - Neuromyelitis optica (NMO) Devic syndrome
  - Monophasic post-infectious demyelination: ADEM, AHLE, SSPE
  - Vasculitis
  - Susac's disease
  - Primary CNS vasculitis
  - Behçet, PAN, lupus, Sjögren, Wegener...
  - Toxic: amphetamine, cocaine, methotrexate...
  - Other diseases of white matter mimicking MS
    - Lyme, Viral encephalitis, AIDS, PML, Sarcoidosis, HTA leukoencephalopathy, CADASIL, late onset leukodystrophies, mitochondrialopathies, Fabry, histiocytosis, primary CNS lymphoma, PRES...
  - Normal zones of late myelination
  - Isolated optic neuropathy
    - Chronic relapsing inflammatory optic neuropathy (CRION)
  - Complications of treatment
    - Natalizumab-PML-IRIS

MS variants & MS like diseases

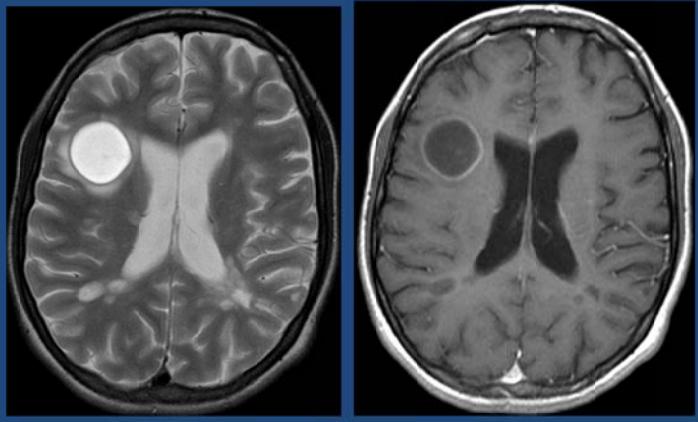
## Marburg



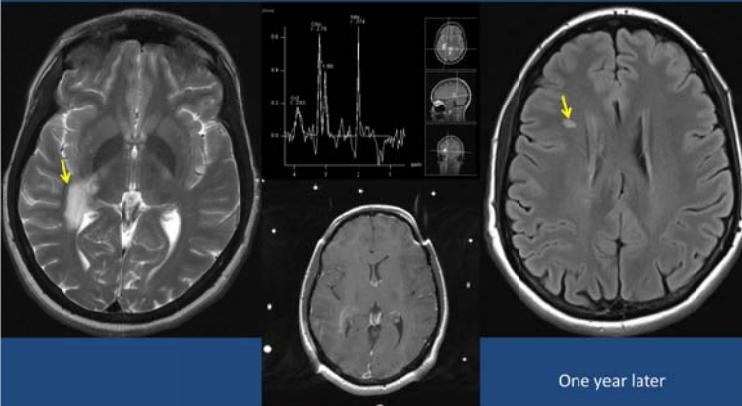
- In 1905 Otto Marburg described three cases of a withering demyelinating disorder in young adults
- Macroscopy: large tumor-like plaques in the hemispheric white matter
- Microscopy: hypercellular demyelinating plaques, with oedema, severe axonal injury, faint astroglial reaction, and presence of hypertrophic and giant astrocytes
- CSF: increase in proteins, slightly increased or normal cellularity, oligoclonal bands less frequent than in MS
- MRS: increase of the peak of choline and a decrease of N-acetyl-aspartate (NAA)
- Pathogenesis: chemical modifications of the MBP may cause a structural instability of the central myelin sheath

MS variant & MS like disease

## Marburg



## Tumefactive plaque as the first manifestation of MS

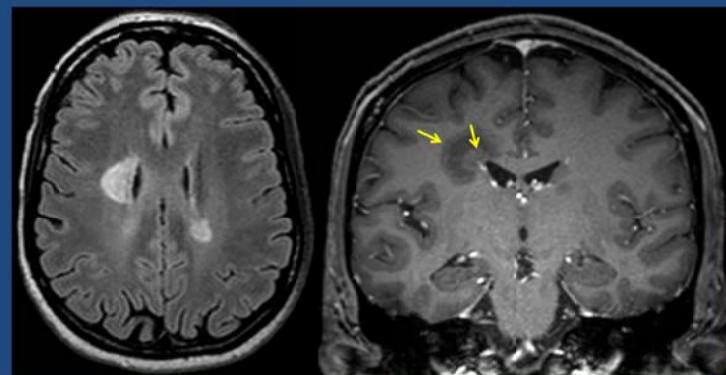
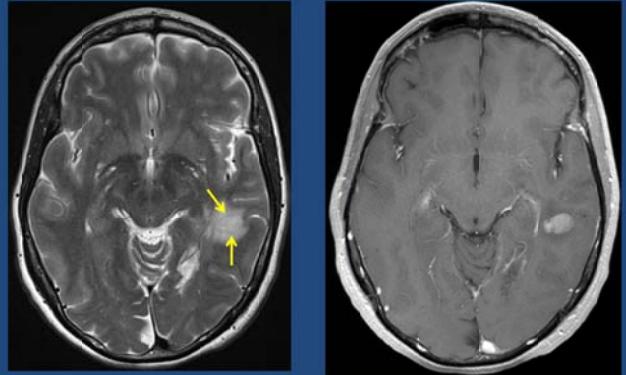


MS variants & MS like diseases

## Baló



- In 1928 József Baló described the case of a young student who died rapidly after the onset of a progressive neurological illness thought to be caused by a brain tumour located in the left cerebral hemisphere
- Macroscopy: concentric target-like lesions
- Microscopy: alternating bands of partial preservation of myelin and myelin loss, with preserved axons, lipid-containing macrophages, giant astrocytes with multiple nuclei and perivascular cuffs of lymphocytes
- Young adults and result in death within a period of weeks or months but some cases have a milder course
- Baló's type lesions are only a stage of the disease and evolve with time in a diffuse demyelinated plaque

**Baló****Baló****Neuromyelitis optica (NMO)**

Devic syndrome



- In 1894, Eugène Devic reported the clinical course and autopsy findings of a 45-year old woman who developed bilateral optic neuropathy and transverse myopathy within 2 weeks and died later.
- Pathological examination of the case showed severe demyelination and necrotic changes in the optic nerves and spinal cord, but no brain lesion.
- Microscopy: extensive loss of immunoreactivities to AQP4 and glial fibrillary acidic protein (GFAP) with relative preservation of the staining of myelin basic protein in acute NMO lesions.
- Female preponderance.
- Autoantibodies to aquaporin-4 (AQP4): dominant water channel in the central nervous system densely expressed on foot processes of astrocytes.
- Predominant polymorphonuclear pleocytosis, and absence of oligoclonal IgG bands
- Limited variants (either recurrent myelitis or optic neuritis), Asian opticospinal MS, and "atypical" forms with brain involvement

**Diagnosis Criteria**

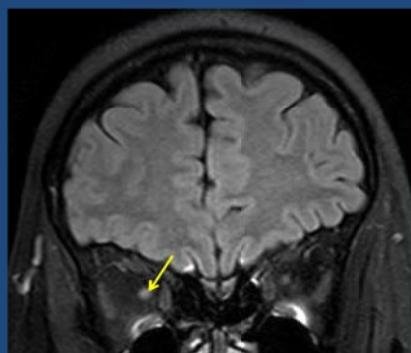
➤ The Mayo Clinic proposed a revised set of criteria for diagnosis of Devic's disease in 2006. The new guidelines require 2 absolute criteria plus at least 2 of 3 supportive criteria.

## ➤ Absolute criteria

- Optic neuritis
- Acute myelitis

## ➤ Supportive criteria

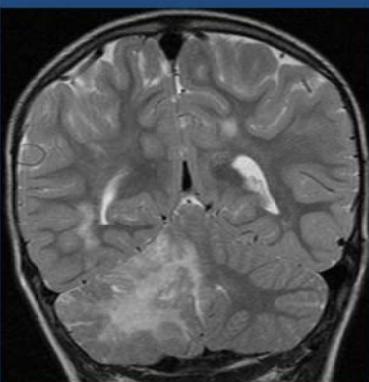
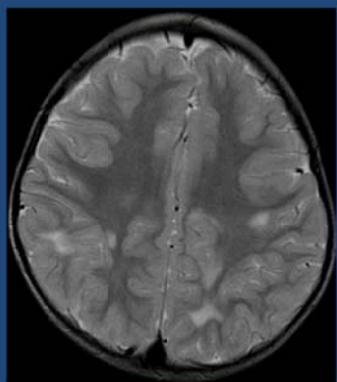
- Brain MRI not meeting criteria for MS at disease onset
- Spinal cord MRI with contiguous T2-W signal abnormality extending over 3 or more segments
- NMO-IgG seropositive status (antibodies against aquaporin 4 antigen)

**Devic****Acute Disseminated Encephalo-myelitis (ADEM) and Acute Hemorrhagic Leucoencephalitis (AHLE) (Hurst)**

- Immunomodulated monophasic demyelination disease of the central nervous system.
- Follows an unspecific respiratory infection. Crossreactivity between human myelin antigens and viral or bacterial antigens is thought to initiate an autoimmune process causing demyelination usually sparing the subcortical U fibers.
- Typically affects children and young adults.
- AHLE: most severe variant with perivascular demyelination and hemorrhage with predominantly neutrophilic and macrophagic inflammatory infiltrates and fibrinoid necrosis of the vessels
- ADEM can relapse and some patients may ultimately convert to multiple sclerosis

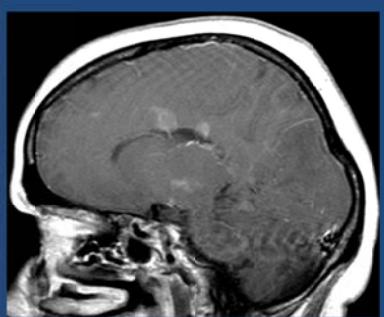
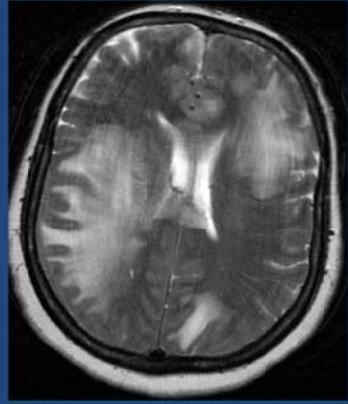
Monophasic post-infectious demyelination

## ADEM



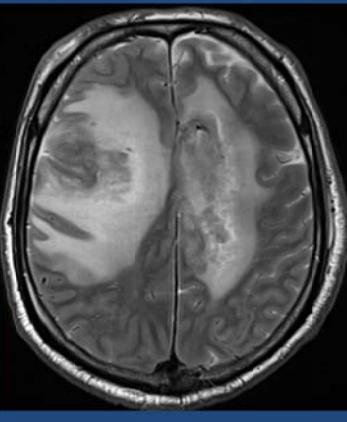
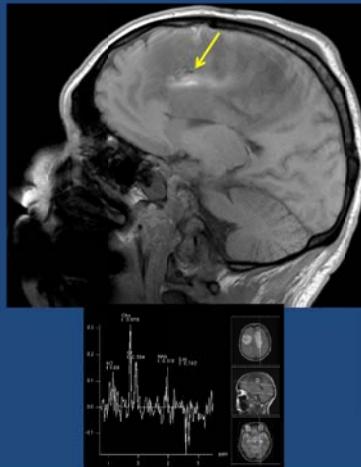
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## ADEM



Monophasic post-infectious demyelination

## AHLE

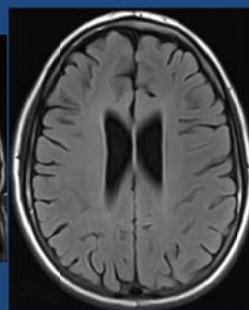
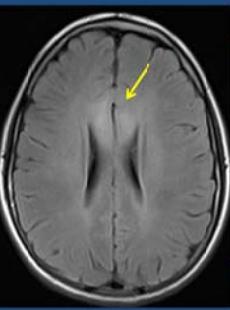


Hemor/hage-lactate

Monophasic post-infectious demyelination

## Subacute sclerosing panencephalitis (SSPE)

Rare chronic, progressive encephalitis caused by a persistent infection of measles virus.  
T2 hyperintensities in deep white matter and progressive cerebral atrophy.



Atrophy after 16 months

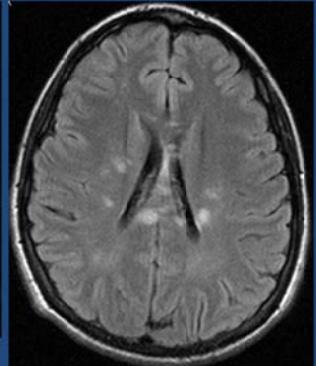
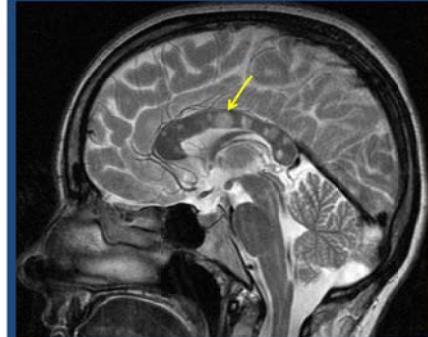
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## Susac's disease



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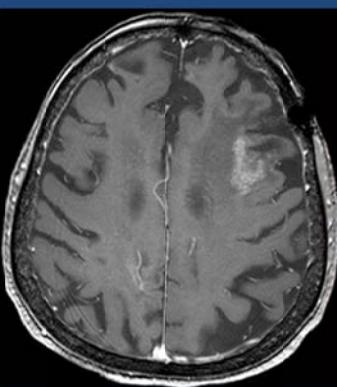
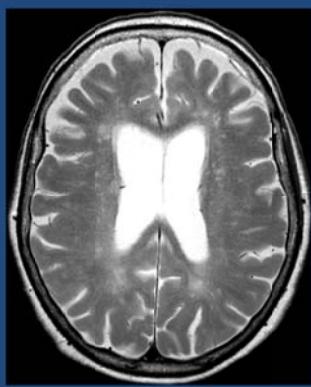


- In 1979 Drs. Susac, Hardman and Selhorst reported two patients with the triad of encephalopathy, branch retinal artery occlusion (BRAO), and hearing loss (HL)
- Autoimmune endotheliopathy affecting the pre-capillary arterioles of the brain, retina, and inner ear (cochlea and semicircular canals)
- Encephalopathy, with psychiatric features, confusion, memory loss and other cognitive changes
- Typically affects young women (20-40)
- Central corpus callosum, leptomeningeal involvement

Vasculitis

## Primary CNS angiitis

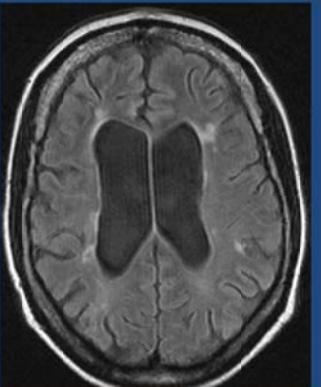
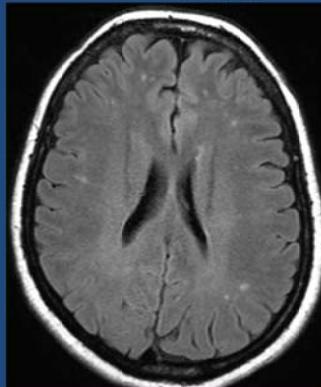
Inflammation of CNS vessels without evidence of systemic vasculitis.  
Irregularities of vessels (MRA DSA), multiple infarcts, hemorrhages, and patchy or confluent white matter T2 abnormalities, leptomeningeal enhancement.



Vasculitis

## Lupus

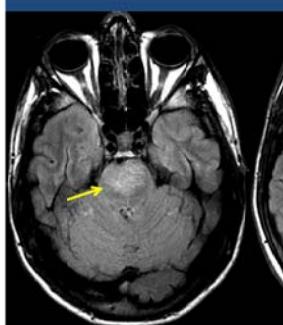
Systemic auto-immune connective tissue disease with frequent autoantibody-mediated CNS vasculitis. White matter hyperintensities in frontal and parietal lobes, infarcts, atrophy, hemorrhage, meningeal enhancement.



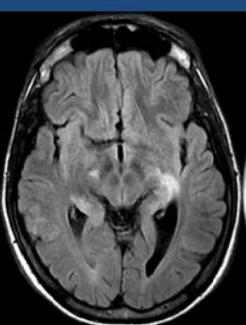
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## Behçet

Systemic vasculitis of unknown origin (genetic predisposition). Oral and genital ulcers & uveitis. Cerebral venous thromboses, meningoencephalitis and rhombencephalitis.



rhombencephalitis

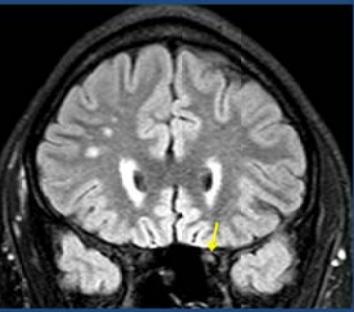
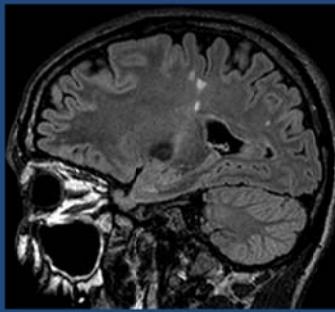


Ventriculitis

Other diseases of white mater mimicking MS

## Lyme

Neuroborreliosis is a tick-borne infection which affects the peripheral and central nervous system. MRI shows non specific white matter hyperintensities and cranial nerve enhancement.

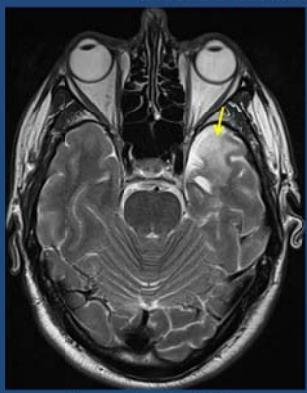


Optic neuritis

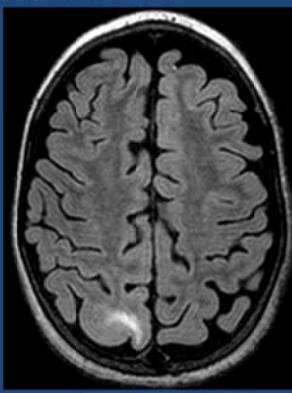
Other diseases of white mater mimicking MS

## Infectious encephalitis

Involvement of white and gray matter (diffusion) necrosis and hemorrhage if untreated. Subacute and chronic variants.



Herpes simplex (HSV1)

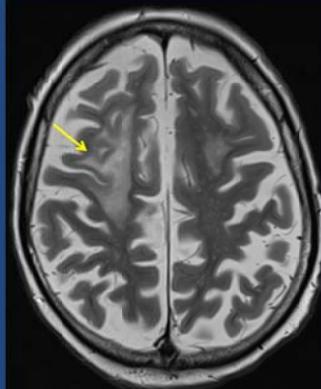


Herpes Zoster (VZV)

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## Progressive Multifocal Leukoencephalopathy (PML)

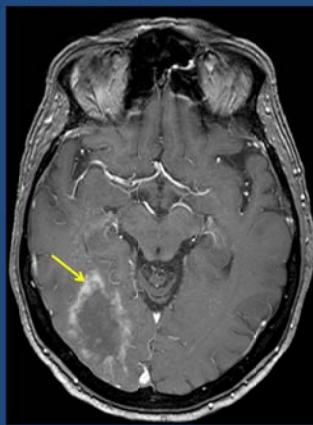
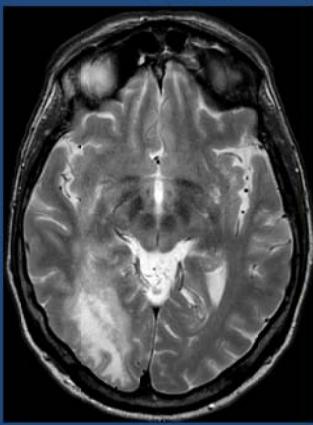
Demyelinating disease of the brain caused by the reactivation of JC virus (John Cunningham) infection. Manifests in patients with reduced cellular immunity (HIV, Hematological diseases, immunosuppressive therapies) T2 hyperintensity and T1 hypointensity of subcortical white matter, without mass effect and contrast enhancement.



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### PML and immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome (IRIS)

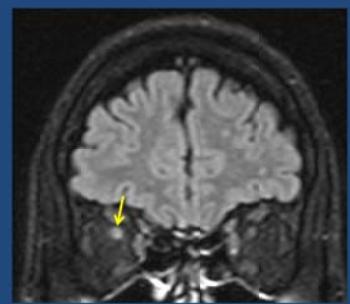
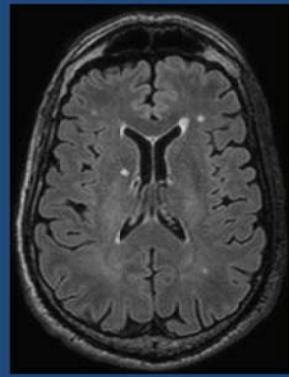
Mass effect and contrast enhancement may be seen.



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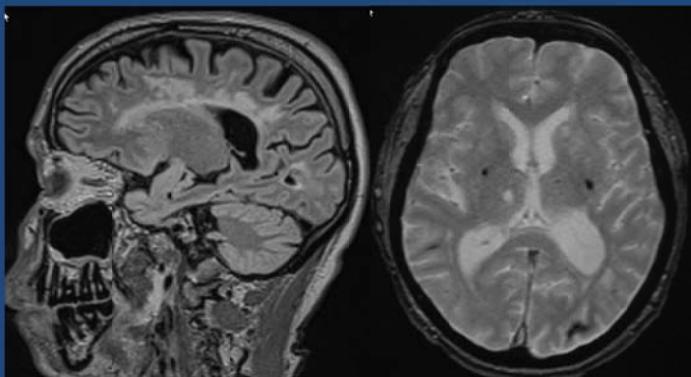
### Neurosarcoidosis

Granulomatous disease of unknown origin affecting the CNS in 5-10%  
Periventricular T2 hyperintensities, thickening and enhancement of the  
meninges particularly at the skull base. Common optic nerve involvement.



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### HTA leukoencephalopathy

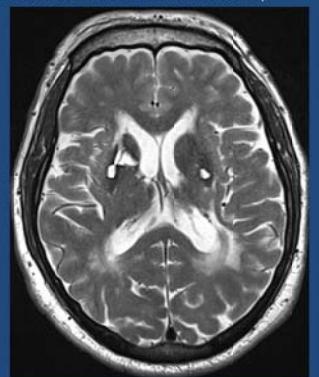
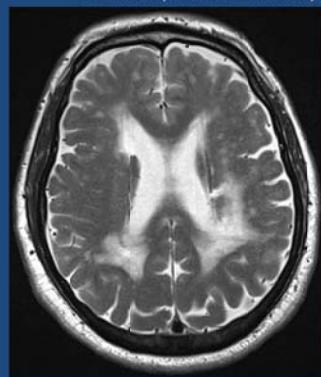


Lacunar infarcts and microbleeds.

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### CADASIL

Cerebral Autosomal Dominant Arteriopathy with Subcortical Infarcts and Leukoencephalopathy  
A dominantly inherited small artery disease that leads to dementia and disability.



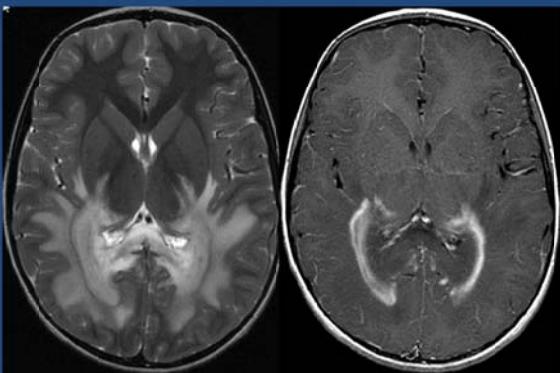
Widespread areas of increased signal in the white matter, including temporal lobes, associated with focal hyperintensities in basal ganglia, thalamus, and brainstem.

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### Adult onset leukodystrophies

(adreno,metachromatic...)

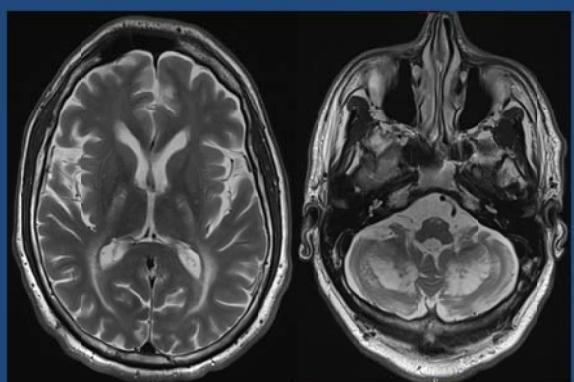
X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy (X-ALD) is a rare sex-linked recessive inherited peroxisomal disorder with accumulation of saturated very long chain fatty acid (VLCFA) in the nervous system, adrenal glands and other tissues.



Confluent posterior white matter lesions, with contrast enhancement

### Cerebrotendinous xanthomatosis

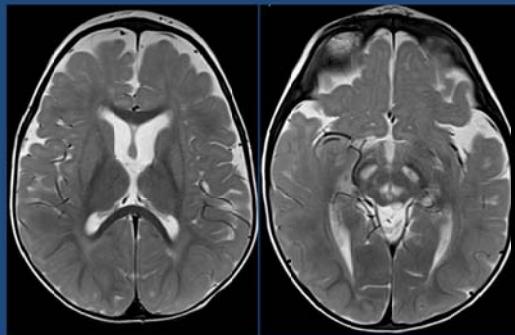
Cerebrotendinous xanthomatosis (CTX) is a rare autosomal-recessive lipid storage disease caused by mutations in the CYP27A1 gene. MRI: dentate nucleus and white matter lesions



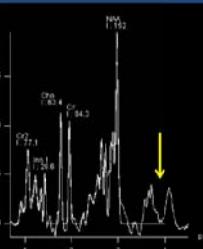
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### Mitochondrial diseases (Leigh, MELAS)

Mutations in nuclear-encoded respiratory chain complexes (Leigh) or mtDNA (MELAS)

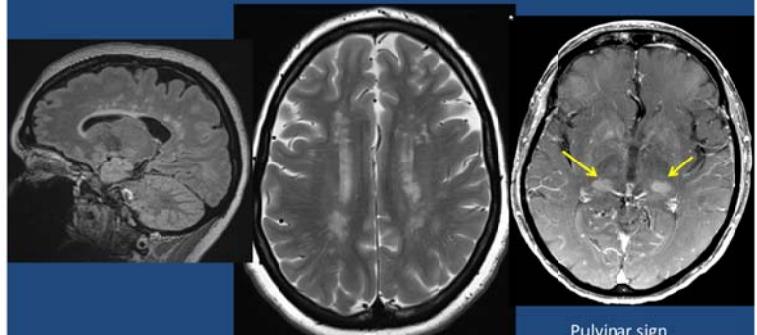


Leigh. Leukoencephalopathy with brainstem and spinal cord involvement and lactate elevation (MRS)



### Fabry disease

Rare X-linked genetic lysosomal storage disease with accumulation of glycosphingolipids in blood vessels, smooth muscle, myocardium, renal epithelium, cornea, and brain. Ischemic and microhemorrhagic lesions in the brain.

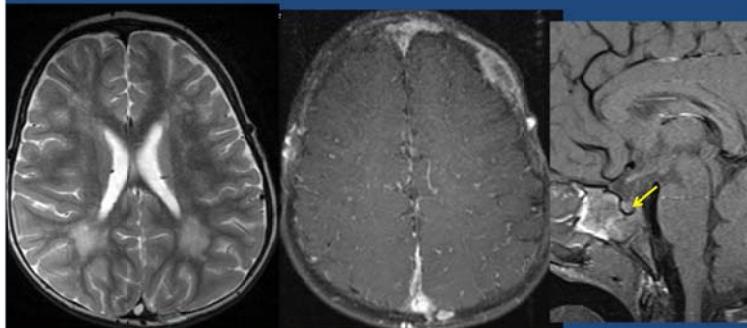


Pulvinar sign  
(T1 hyperintensity)

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### Histiocytosis

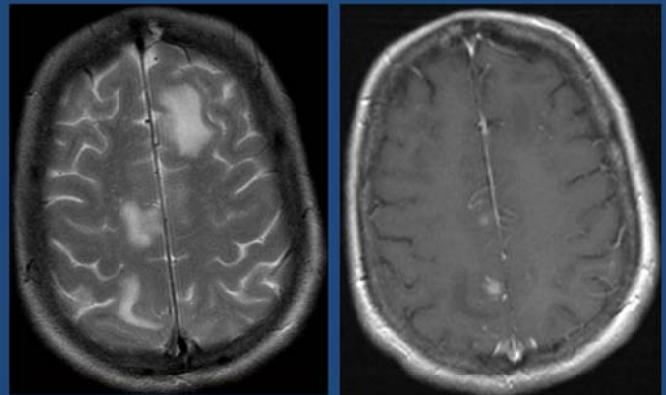
Abnormal elevation of the number of histiocytes .(Langerhans cell, non langerhans cell, malignant.) Pituitary, white matter and bone lesions



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### Primary CNS lymphoma

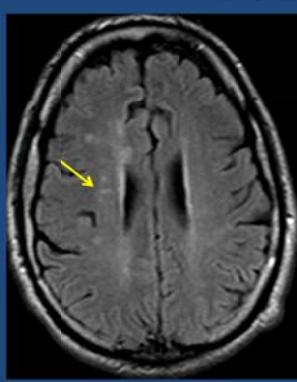
Mostly diffuse B-cell lymphoma often appearing in white matter and basal ganglia. Contrast enhancement, except in AIDS.



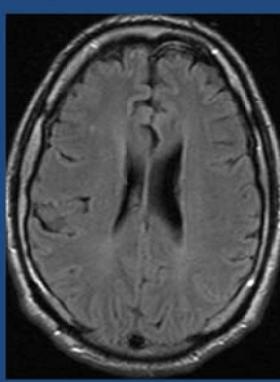
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### Posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome (PRES)

Reversible vasogenic (cytotoxic) edema in the subcortical white matter of the parietal and occipital lobes. Common causes: eclampsia, hypertension, acute renal failure, cytotoxic drugs... Many atypical variants.



hypertension



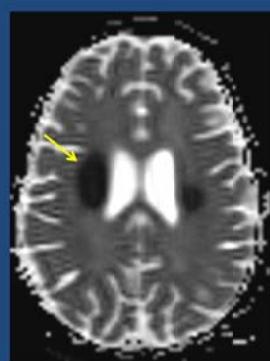
2 weeks later

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### PRES induced by cytotoxic treatment



T2



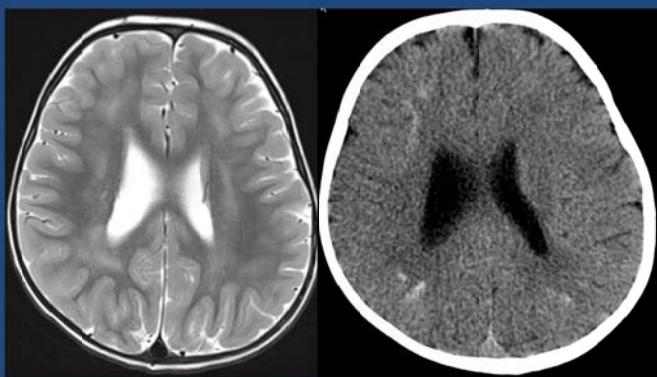
ADC

Asparaginase and cytarabine for acute lymphoblastic leukemia

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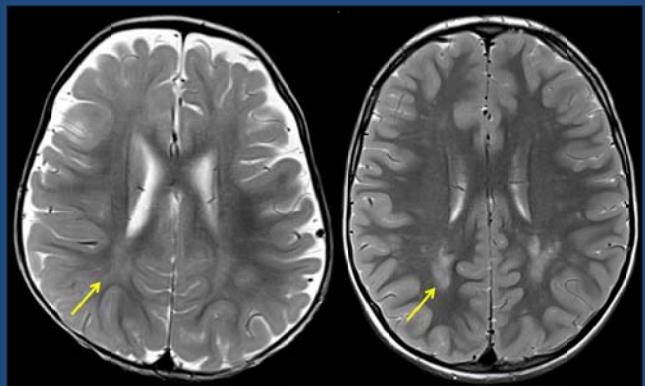
### Methotrexate toxicity

White matter, basal ganglia, calcifications on CT



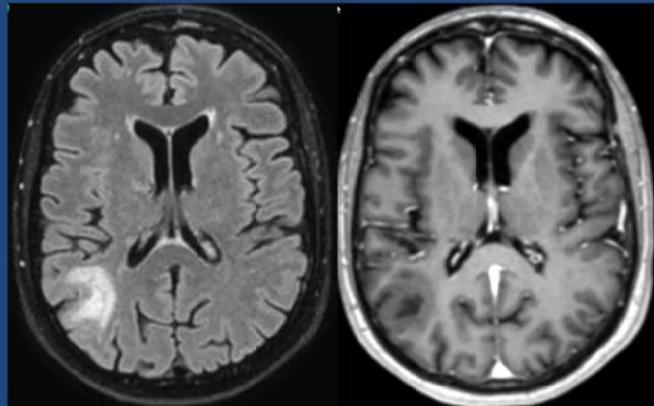
Normal myelination

### Normal zones of late myelination



Complications of treatment

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### Natalizumab induced PML

- PML in patients receiving Natalizumab was first reported in 2005. Risk estimated to 1.5/1000
- More than 400 cases reported (2014)
- Risk factor for Natalizumab induced PML:
  - Prolonged use of the drug (more than 2 years)
  - Prior immunosuppressive treatment (mitoxantrone, azathioprine, methotrexate) but not interferon beta and GA or bolus of corticosteroids.
- Anti-JCV antibodies

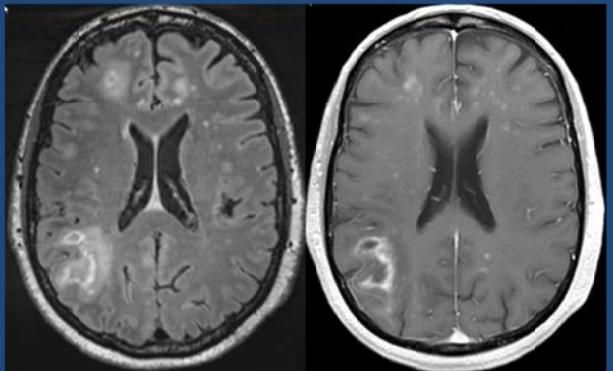
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### NTZ induced PML

- Outcome of PML infection is better than in HIV patients
- Routine brain MRI every 6 months is recommended in JCV positive patients receiving NTZ
- Early detection of PML by MRI and immediate cessation of NTZ ttt leading to rapid immune reconstitution but...
- Immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome (IRIS) may result in inflammatory brain damage
- Treatment with corticosteroids

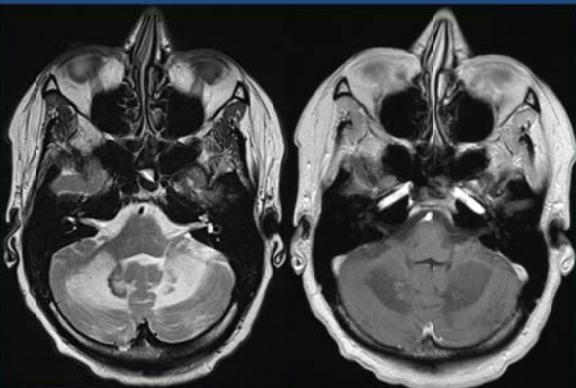
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### IRIS



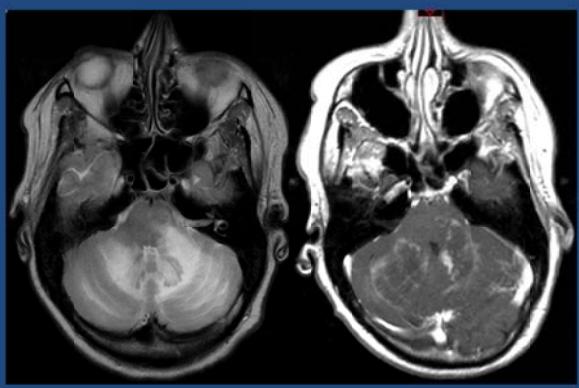
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PML



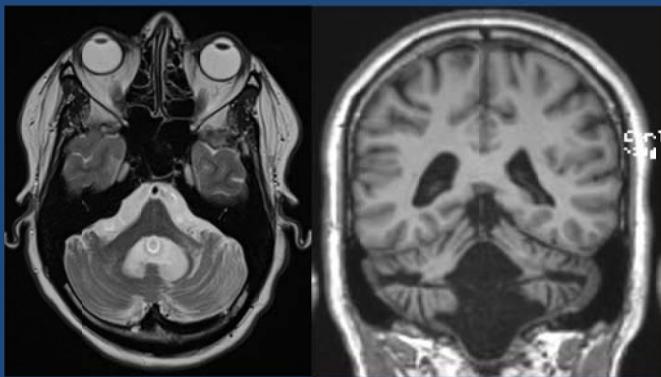
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IRIS



Complications of treatment

Damage post PML and IRIS



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# Advanced MRI techniques in multiple sclerosis

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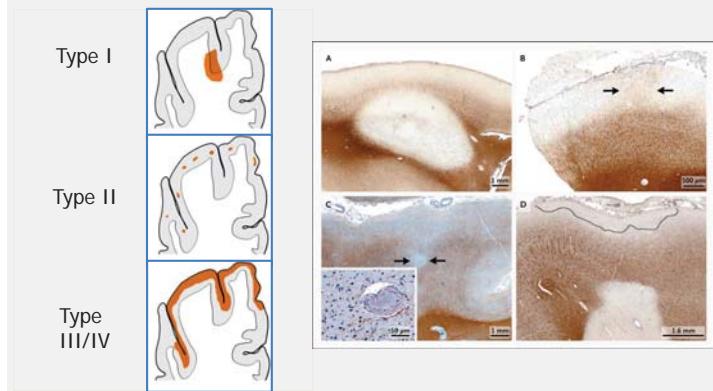
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## Cortical lesions in MS



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## Double Inversion Recovery (DIR)

- Conventional spin echo (SE) sequence preceded by a 180° inverting pulse
  - Improves cortex visualization by suppressing CSF and WM signal
  - Gray matter appears relatively hyperintense

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Geurts et al., 2005

## DIR at 1.5 and 3T MRI

- DIR at 1.5 T MRI:
- CL II-IV: 18% sensitivity (3D FLAIR 11%)
  - CL I: 83% sensitivity (3D FLAIR 65%)
- BUT...
- CL III (Subpial): 7% sensitivity!

Seewann A. et al., 2012

Good correlations with MS patients disability and cognition

Calabrese M. et al., 2008, 2009, 2010



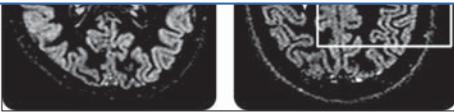
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## DIR: artefacts and criteria



### Criteria for DIR cortical lesions:

- Must be hyperintense
- At least 3 voxels (1x1 mm in-plane res) image  
(consider artefacts, use multiple slices, other contrasts help, constant contrast settings)

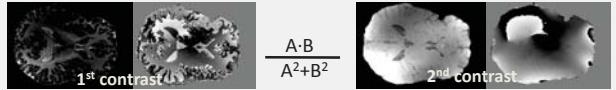


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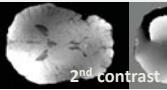
## MP2RAGE

- Combine images to compensate for B1-effects and calculate T1

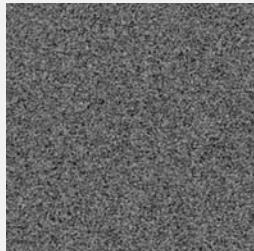


1<sup>st</sup> contrast

$$\frac{A-B}{A^2+B^2}$$



2<sup>nd</sup> contrast



Homogeneous T1w

T1-map

MP2RAGE:  
■ 3T  
■ 1x1x1.2 mm  
■ 8:10 min

Pros in MS:  
- GM-WM border  
- T1 relaxometry

Marques, Kober et. al.: Neuroimage (2010)

## MS lesions-advanced MRI at 3T

TABLE 2. Average Lesion Counts

	MP2RAGE		DIR		FLAIR-SPACE*		MP-RAGE		2D FLAIR	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
Cerebral WM	47.1	41.0	45.6	31.5	37.3	18.6	44.4	39.2	30	27.9
Cortical type I	4	4.1	4	3.5	3.7	3.1	3.2	2.7	2.9	2.4
Cortical type II	0.1	0.3	0.7	1.0	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3
Cerebellar WM	0.8	2.0	2.1	2.8	1.5	1.6	1.7	2.6	1.1	1.1
Mixed cerebellar GM/WM	0.9	1.2	1.2	2.0	1.5	1.7	0.9	1.2	0.5	1.2
Cerebellar GM	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	53.9		54.2		44.2		50.2		34.6	
MP2RAGE			0.72		1		0.05†		0.01‡	
DIR	—	—	—	—	0.59	—	0.14	—	0.01‡	—
FLAIR-SPACE	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	0.03†	—
MP-RAGE	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.01‡	—

Mean lesion count and corresponding standard deviation in all brain regions across patients. Most lesions were identified with the DIR and the MP2RAGE, followed by the MP-RAGE and the FLAIR-SPACE. The fewest were seen in the 2D FLAIR.

In the bottom part,  $P$ -values of the Wilcoxon signed-rank tests mutually comparing the 5 image contrasts with respect to TLC are given. All significance levels reported are before Bonferroni correction. After correction, no value reached significance, which is expected because of the small sample size and the high number of tests performed.

\*Based on 6 patients instead of 10.

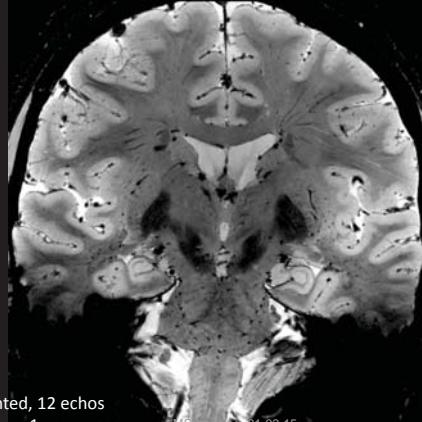
† $P \leq 0.05$ .

‡ $P \leq 0.01$ .

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Kober T et al., Invest Radiol 2012

## T2\* at 7T MRI

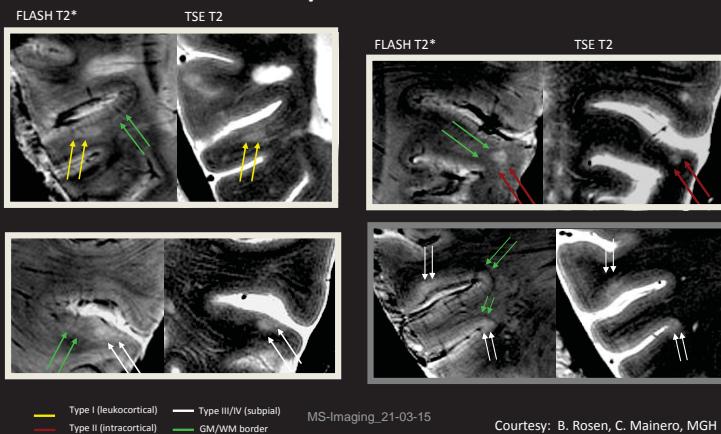


7T, 2D T<sub>2</sub>\* weighted, 12 echos  
330 μm × 330 μm × 1 mm

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Courtesy of L. Wald, C. Eichner, K. Sersompop, C. Mainero-MGH, Boston

## 7T zooms into focal pathology in multiple sclerosis



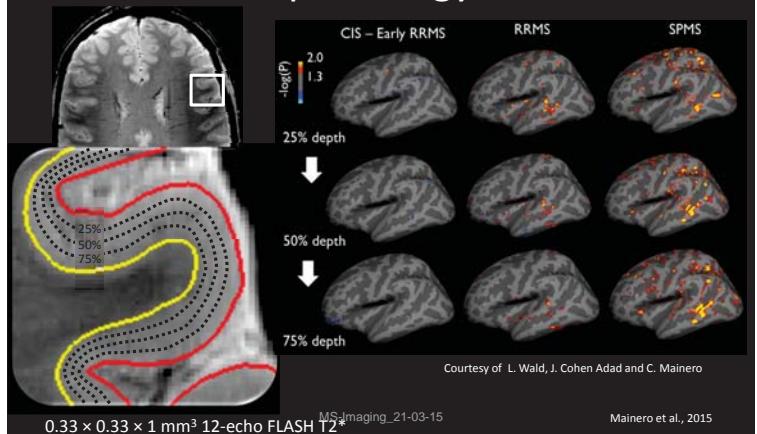
FLASH T2\*      TSE T2

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Courtesy: B. Rosen, C. Mainero, MGH

— Type I (leukocortical)  
— Type II (intracortical)  
— GM/WM border

## 7T zoom into cortical layers pathology



0.33 × 0.33 × 1 mm<sup>3</sup> 12-echo FLASH T2\*

Mainero et al., 2015

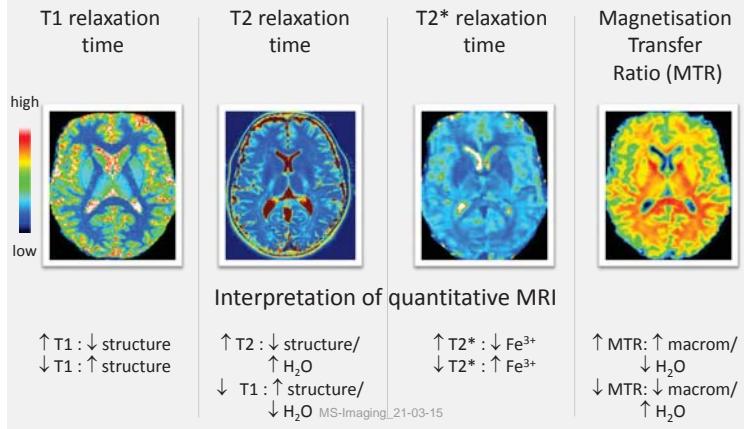
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## Multiparametric quantitative MRI



## Brain tissue pathology with multiparametric MRI

T1	T2	T2*	MTR	Biological substrate
↓	↓	=	↑	Increase in structure/macromolecules (myelin/cells)
↓	↓	↓	=	Increase in Fe content
↑	↑	=/↑	=/↓	Loss of structure/macromolecules/iron
↑	↑	=	↓	Increase in water (oedema)

CAVE: microstructural features +/- volume changes

Granziera et al., HBM 2013; Granziera et al., PLOS one 2013; Bonnier et al., Annals Clin Trasl Neurol 2014

## «Advanced MRI» cohort

- 45 RRMS patients
  - 18 M/27 F, age: 34 ± 9 y; < 5 y from diagnosis.
- 20 Healthy controls
  - 10 M/10 F, age: 33 ± 10 y
- Advanced MRI protocol at 3T/7T
  - 2 time points at 3T (2 y follow-up)
  - Sub-group scanned at 7T
- Clinical assessment
  - (motor/disability/cognition/behavior)

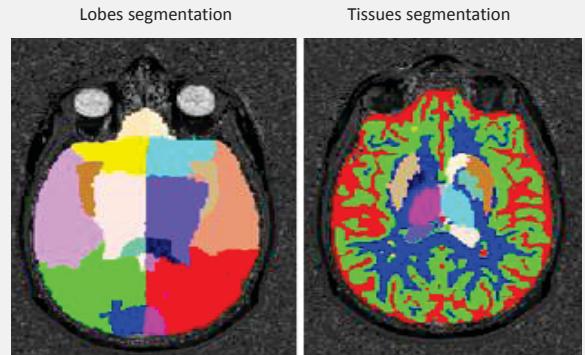
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## «Advanced» MRI protocol at 3T

Sequence	Spatial resolution/Aquisition time	Information
MPRAGE	1.0×1.0×1.2 mm <sup>3</sup> , AT = 5min12	Structural
MP2RAGE	1.0×1.0×1.2 mm <sup>3</sup> , AT = 8min22	Lesion count/T1 map
DIR	1.0×1.0×1.2 mm <sup>3</sup> , AT = 12min52	Lesion count
3DFLAIR	1.0×1.0×1.2 mm <sup>3</sup> , AT = 6min27	Lesion count
T2* <sub>M0</sub> T2* <sub>MT</sub>	1.6×1.6×1.6 mm <sup>3</sup> , AT = 5min38 x2	MTR/T2* maps
T2	1.1×1.1×4.0 mm <sup>3</sup> , AT = 3.15 min	T2 map
DSI	2.2×2.2×3.0 mm <sup>3</sup> , AT = 18min57	Structural connectome GFA map
rsfMRI	3.3×3.3×4.2 mm <sup>3</sup> , AT = 2min56	Functional connectome

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## Automatic analysis: normal-appearing brain tissue



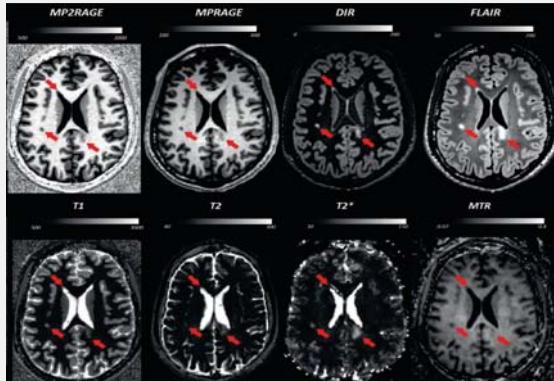
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Bonnier et al., Annals Clin Trasl Neurol 2014

## Quantitative MRI: lesions

WMLs/CLS  
Count and  
Delineation

Microstructure

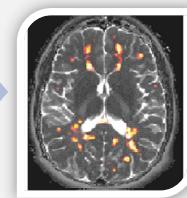


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## Quantitative MRI in lesions

Manual lesion  
detection (cortex  
and white  
matter)



Co-registration to  
quantitative maps  
(T1, T2, T2\*, MTR)

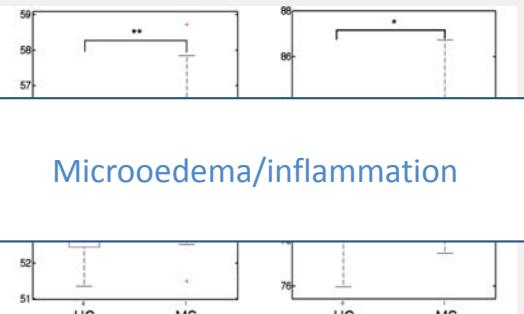
Demyelination/Tissue degeneration

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## Temporal normal-appearing white matter

**T2\***                    **T2**



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## Clinico-radiological correlations

	Clinical scores	SDMT	MSFC	FSMCCog	FSMCMotor	Disease Duration	WLG	fMRI	SR7
Stepwise regression	p-value	0.00006	0.00397	0.00197	0.00156	0.00589	0.01748	0.02043	0.00999
	Corrected p-value	0.00051	0.01178	0.01577	0.01250	0.04708	0.13984	0.16344	0.07995
	Adjusted-R	0.59	0.43	0.36	0.42	0.35	0.13	0.29	0.32
Cross validation	p-value	0.00001	0.00010	0.00087	0.00145	0.16720	0.09650	0.11650	0.02650
	Corrected p-value	0.00004	0.00080	0.00096	0.01160	1.33760	0.77200	0.93200	0.21200
	Adjusted-R	0.44	0.24	0.26	0.24	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.11
<i>Predictors (p-value)</i>									
Conventional	Cortical Volume	0.0036	0.0434	0.0219	0.0984				
	Cortical count	0.0022				0.9847			0.0970
	Subcortical volume		0.1418		0.1048				
	Subcortical count			0.0426	0.0095	0.0009	0.0366	0.0996	
Lesion	T1 zscore	0.0025	0.0811						
	T2 zscore	0.0073	0.0806						
	T2* zscore	0.0188			0.0857	0.0327		0.0433	
	MTR mean					0.2129			
New & Covariates	T1 mean	0.0607		0.0024	0.0001				
	T2 mean		0.0377	0.0068	0.0089				
	T2* mean	0.0006	0.0245				0.0042	0.0007	
	MTR mean	0.0004	0.0201				0.0153		
Covariates	Age								
	Gender	0.0295	0.0010			0.0436	0.0175	0.0152	
	Educational years		0.0966						
	HADA (anxiety)		0.2009				0.1972	0.0609	
HADD (Depression)									
<p style="text-align: right;">p &lt; 0.001 p &lt; 0.01 p &lt; 0.05</p>									

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## Connectomics in MS

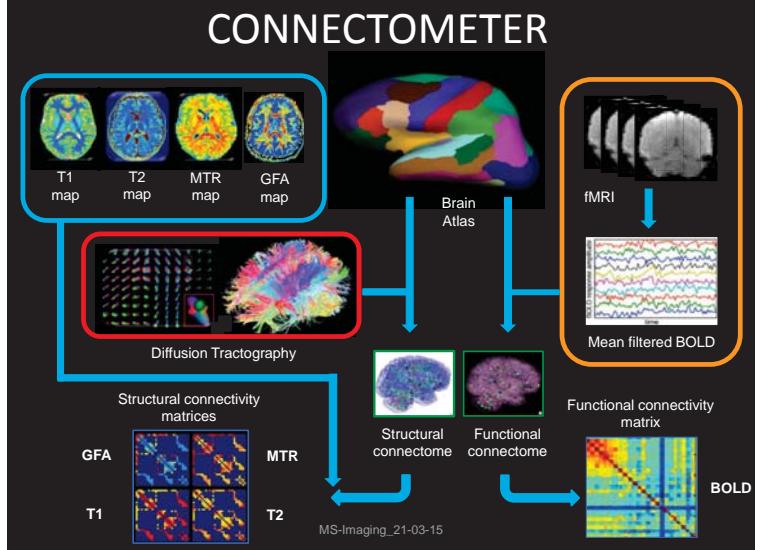
- **Connectomics:**
  - production and study of *connectomes* → comprehensive maps of brain neural connections
- **Few connectomic studies in MS:**
  - technical limited (Shu N. et al., 2011, Li Y et al., 2012)
  - only structural or functional
  - pathological substrate unknown
  - heterogeneous patient cohorts

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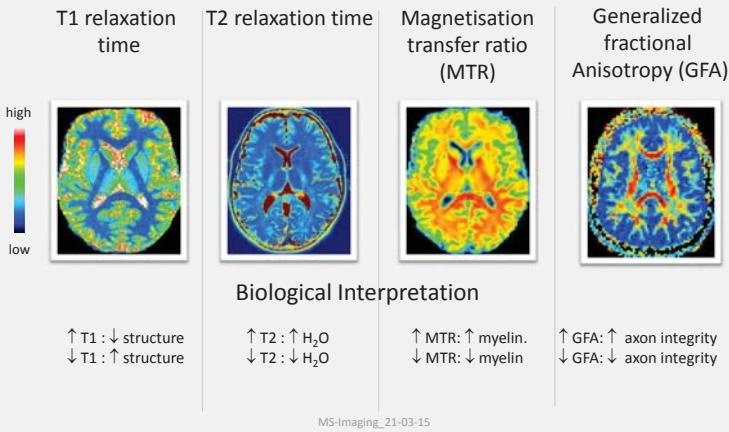
## Brain & cerebellum connectometer

- To quantify damage/ plasticity in MS patients by:
  - performing structural/functional MS connectomics
  - applying multi-contrast MRI to investigate the nature of connectivity alterations in MS
  - studying a homogeneous cohort ("early MS with minimal deficits")

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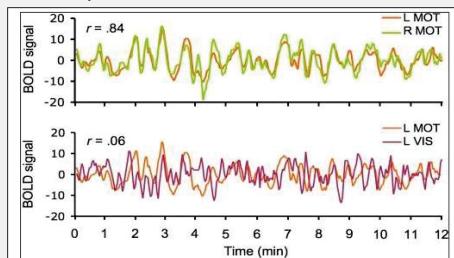
## Structural tractometry



## Functional tractometry

### Resting state fMRI:

- measures BOLD (deoxy-Hb) signal at rest
- reflects blood flow/volume/metabolism, indirectly neuronal activity



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Review: Koenig R. et al., 2010

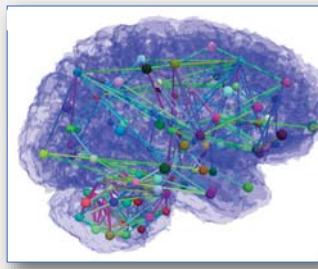
## Multi-contrast brain connectome analysis

- Network analysis**
  - Global
  - Subnetwork
  - Local node
- Local connection tractometry**
  - Prevalent network (109 connections)
  - Soft Thresholding Screening and Filtering (Meskaldji et al., 2013).
    - Bonferroni correction for multiple comparison
- Correlations**
  - Lesion load (number/volume/lesion on altered connections)
  - Disease duration
  - Clinical tests
    - Bonferroni correction for multiple comparison

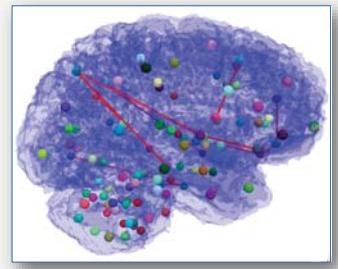


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## Brain local connections alterations in MS



Structural connectome



Structural connections altered in MS vs HC

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## Inflammation or degeneration?

Altered connection	
<b>Increased T2</b>	
Right lateralorbitofrontal - Right Putamen ( $B_1^*$ )	
Right superiorfrontal- Right Caudate ( $B_2^*$ )	
Left lateralorbitofrontal - Left Putamen ( $B_3^*$ )	
Left superiorparietal- Left superioretemporal ( $B_4^{***}$ )	
Left superioreparietal - Left Putamen ( $B_5^{***}$ )	
Left lateraloccipital - Left inferiortemporal ( $B_6^*$ )	
Left fusiform - Left inferiortemporal ( $B_7^*$ )	
<b>Decreased GFA</b>	
Right lateralorbitofrontal - Right Putamen ( $B_8^{**}$ )	
<b>Increased T1</b>	
Right superioreparietal - Right Putamen ( $B_8^{***}$ )	
Right superioreparietal - Right Hippocampus ( $B_9^*$ )	
Right precuneus - Left isthmuscingulate ( $B_{10}^{**}$ )	
Left superioreparietal - Left Putamen ( $B_5^{**}$ )	
<b>Multivariate differences</b>	
Right precuneus - Left isthmuscingulate ( $B_{10}^*$ )	
Left lateralorbitofrontal - Left parsorbitalis ( $B_{11}^*$ )	
Left parsorbitalis - Left rostralmiddlefrontal ( $B_{12}^*$ )	

↑ T2 and ↓ GFA: microedema  
↑ T2 and ↓ T1: axonal degeneration

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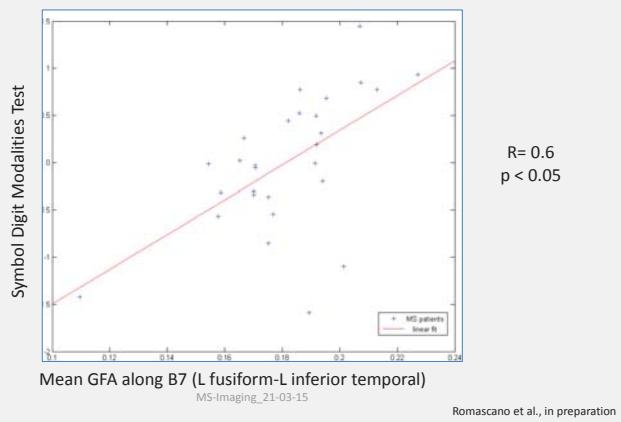
## Altered connections correlate with lesion load

Connections	Correlates	Pearson R
B1	Lesions number/volume	0.7 ***, 0.7 ***
B2	Lesions volume	0.5 *
B3	Lesions volume	0.5 *
B8	Lesions volume	0.5 *
B9	Lesions number/volume/ on fiber tract	> 0.6 *
B10	Lesions number/volume/ on fiber tract	> 0.6 *
B11	Lesions volume	> 0.6 *
B12	Lesions number/volume/ on fiber tract	> 0.6 ** / >0.7*** />0.6*

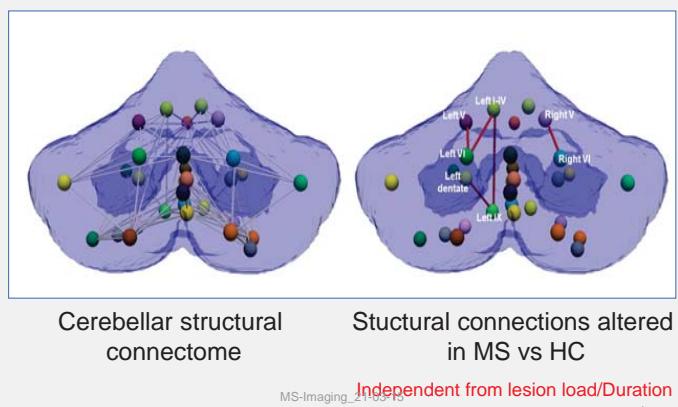
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## Attention function correlates with B7 integrity



## Cerebellar local connections alterations in MS



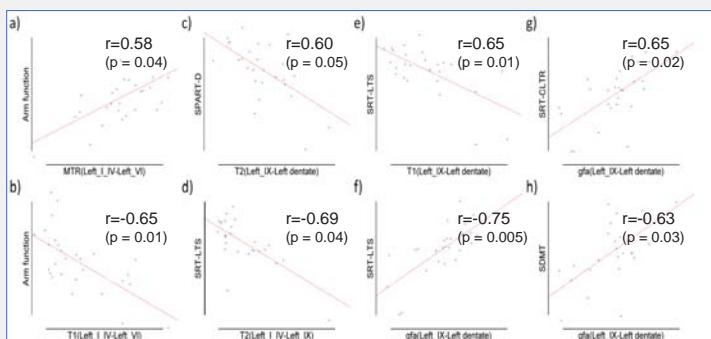
## Structural alterations in local cerebellar connections

Altered connection	Function
<b>Increased T1</b>	
Right_V-Right_VI ( $C_1$ ) **	Mainly motor
<b>Decreased GFA</b>	
Left_I_IV-Left_I_X ( $C_2$ ) *	Motor (Left_I_IV) and cognitive (Left_I_X)
Left_I_X-Left_dentate ( $C_3$ ) **	Mainly cognitive
<b>Multivariate differences</b>	
Left_I_IV-Left_VI ( $C_4$ ) *	Mainly motor
Left_V-Left_VI ( $C_5$ ) *	Mainly motor
Left_I_X-Left_dentate ( $C_6$ ) *	Mainly cognitive

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## Correlations between clinical scores and cerebellar connectivity



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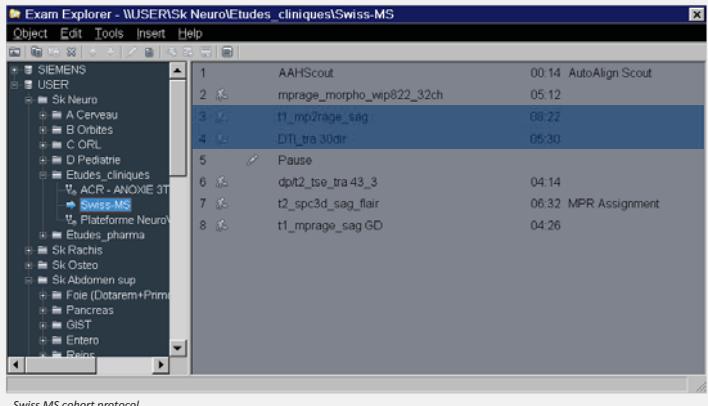
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# Outline

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  - Multi-parametric quantitative MRI
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  - Connectomics
- Towards automatic quantitative metrics

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# Clinical MRI in multiple sclerosis



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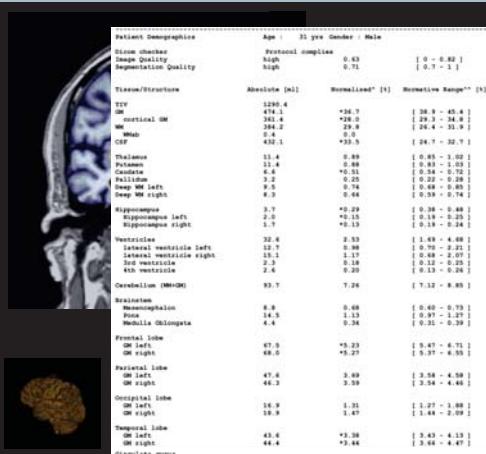
## MR-based brain morphometry

Automated tissue classification based on T1 weighted 3D brain MRI (MPRAGE)

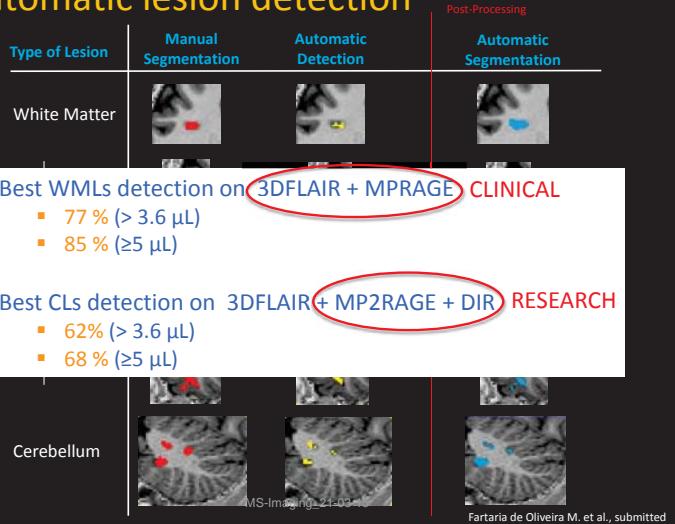
Quantification of brain tissue and structure volumes

Identification of out-of-range structures based on reference and cut-off points from age-matched controls

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## Automatic lesion detection



Thank you!



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