



**Integrated Care in Parkinson Disease:  
Neuropsychiatric Issues in Parkinson Disease**  
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**I. Overview of Parkinson's as a 'disease' model for neuropsychiatric symptoms**

**II. Anxiety in PD**

**III. Depression and apathy in PD**

**IV. Psychosis in PD**

**PARKINSON'S DISEASE – A  
COMPLEX NEUROPSYCHIATRIC  
CONDITION**



**Essay on the Shaking Palsy**  
 "...the senses and intellects being uninjured."  
**James Parkinson, 1817**

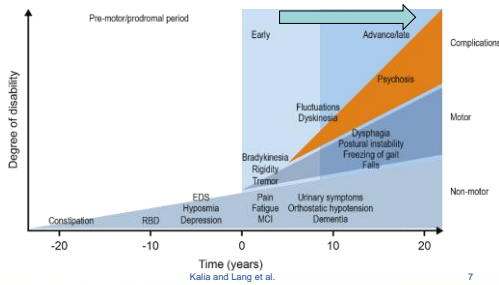
**Parkinson's as a disease model  
for neuropsychiatric symptoms**



frontal cortex parietal cortex	stages 5 & 6	presymptomatic diagnostic symptomatic	<b>Cognitive disorders:</b> mild cognitive impairment and dementia	
basal nucleus hippocampus	stage 4		<b>Psychosis:</b> hallucinations, delusions	
substantia nigra amygdala	stage 3		<b>Motor symptoms:</b> bradykinesia, rigidity, tremor	
locus coeruleus medullary raphe nuclei nucleus subcoeruleus	stage 2		<b>Sleep disturbances:</b> REM behavior disorder; excessive daytime sleepiness, insomnia, restless legs syndrome	<b>Mood disorders:</b> Anxiety Depression
autonomic nervous system dorsal motor X nucleus olfactory nerve	stage 1		<b>Dysautonomia:</b> gastrointestinal disturbances, constipation, genitourinary dysfunction, sexual dysfunction, orthostatic hypotension, cardiac sympathetic denervation <b>Olfactory loss; Hyposmia:</b> impairments in odor detection, identification and discrimination	

Figure 1. Clinical correlates of pathological staging in PD.

## Parkinson's as a disease model for neuropsychiatric symptoms



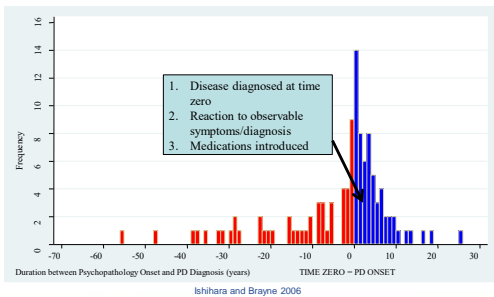
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Kaiba and Lang et al.

## Meta-analysis of anxiety and depression as risk factors for PD

- 11 Case-control studies OR 1.90 (95% CI 1.62-2.22)
- 2 Cohort studies OR 1.79 (95% CI 1.72-1.86)
- Combined **OR 1.86** (95% CI 1.64-2.11)

Noyce AJ et al. Ann Neurol 2012;72:893-901

## Intersection of mental and physical health in PD



Ishihara and Brayne 2006

## Anxiety in Parkinson's disease



## Prevalence of anxiety and anxiety disorders in PD

- 31% have an anxiety disorder (e.g. DSM)
- ~30% had more than one anxiety disorder

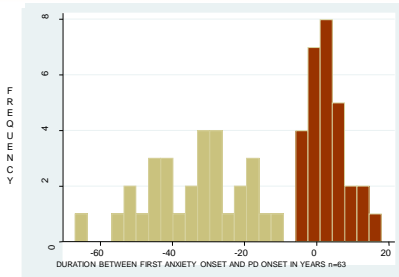
Yamanishi et al 2013, Broen M et al 2016

## Anxiety as a 'premotor' symptom of Parkinson's disease

- Anxiety **disorders** are associated with later development of PD: OR 2.2 (95% CI 1.4-3.4; p=0.0003) up to 20 years before PD onset
- **Symptoms** of phobic anxiety are associated with increased risk of PD: RR 1.5 (95% CI 1.0-2.1; p=0.01)
- Anxious **personality** (from MMPI) was associated with increased risk of PD: HR 1.63 (95% CI 1.16-2.27; p=0.004)

Shiba et al 2000, Weiskopf et al 2003, Bower et al 2010

### First Anxiety Disorder Onset Relative to Parkinson's Onset



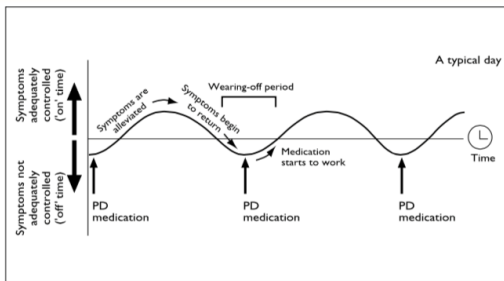
Bimodal distribution of anxiety disorder onset compared to PD onset Pontone et al 2009 13

### Dopaminergic on-off motor fluctuations



- Improvement in motor symptoms after L-dopa administration = "on"
- Return of parkinsonian movement symptoms at the end of the dosing effect = "off"

### Dopaminergic medication on-off fluctuations in PD



Stacey M. and Hauser R. 2007 15

### Mood and motor fluctuation with levodopa infusion

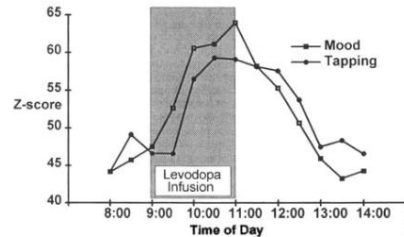
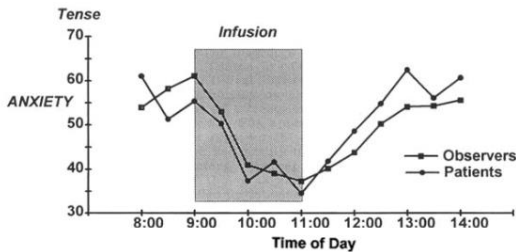


FIG. 3. Relationship of mood change and motor change.

### Anxiety fluctuation with levodopa infusion



Maricle RA et al 1995 17

### Integrated care for anxiety in PD



- Optimizing motor function and addressing motor fluctuations is likely important
- CBT has shown efficacy
- Mindfulness and relaxation therapy

## Depression in Parkinson's disease



## National Parkinson Foundation

- **Parkinson's Outcomes Project**, a longitudinal look at which treatments produce the best health outcomes in PD n=12,000+
- **The impact of depression on quality of life is almost twice that of the motor impairments**

## Prevalence of Depression in Parkinson's disease

- 25% for major depression up to 50% for 'minor' depression/dysthymia
- Anxiety disorders often co-occur

Reijnders 2008, Mayeux, 1981, Starobin, 1992, Meira, 1999, Global PD Survey, 2002; Weintraub 2004; Even 2012; Shakeri 2015; Ghadmir 2016; Reidel 2016

## NET-PD Study/Neuroprotective Treatment Trials

- Mild depressive symptoms predicted development of more severe depressive symptoms (RR=6.16 [95%CI 2.14-17.73])
- Depressive symptoms increased need for symptomatic PD therapy (HR 1.86; 95% CI 1.29-2.68)

Ravina et al 2009

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## The longitudinal impact of depression on disability in Parkinson disease

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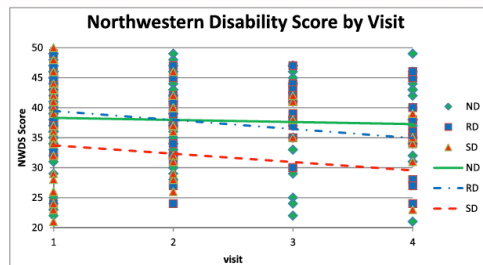
**Objective:** This study examined the association between physical disability and DSM-IV-TR depression status across six years

**Methods:** 137 adults with idiopathic PD. A generalized linear mixed model with Northwestern Disability Scale score as dependent variable to determine the effect of baseline depression status on disability

**Results:** 43 depressed at baseline vs 94 without depression. Symptomatic depression predicted greater disability compared to both never depressed (p=0.0133) and remitted depression (p=0.0009) after controlling for sex, education, dopamine agonist use, and motor fluctuations.

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## Longitudinal impact of depression on disability in PD (Pontone et al 2016)



ND=never depressed, RD=remitted depression, SD=symptomatically depressed

## APATHY IN PARKINSON'S DISEASE



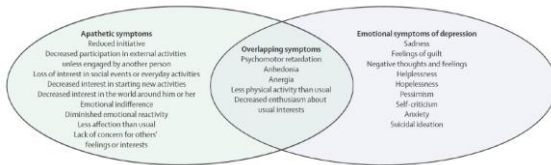
## Apathy in Parkinson's disease



3+ symptoms lasting more than one month and impacting function

- Reduced initiative and decreased self-driven ideas
- Decreased curiosity and spontaneity
- Difficulty continuing activities to completion
- Indifference or blunted emotional reactions
- Lack of concern about personal problems
- Lack of affectionate behavior

## Apathy vs depression in PD



Pagonabarraga et al 2015

## Psychosis in Parkinson's disease



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## Psychosis – phenomenology definitions



- **Hallucinations** – false sensory perceptions in the absence of external stimuli
- **Illusions** – misperception of actual stimuli
- **Passage hallucinations** – indefinite object passing through the peripheral visual field
- **Sense of presence hallucination** – a 'feeling' (or idea) of someone close by (leibhatige Bewusstheit from Jaspers)
- **Delusions** – false, fixed, idiosyncratic belief

## Management Strategies



- Screen for underlying medical illness
- Discontinuation of medications that may exacerbate psychosis (eg, pain, bladder, and CNS-acting medications)
- Reduction of PD medications
- Use of antipsychotic therapy
- Treatment with cholinesterase inhibitors
- Nonpharmacologic techniques to address PDP

Goldman JG, Holden S. *Curr Treat Options Neurol.* 2014;16(3):281.

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## Questions?



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