

Antibiotic Phobia

Bacteria Has a Roll in AD

“Dr. Alzheimer’s Suggested Microorganisms in AD 1906 but We Fear Taking Antibiotics.”



In the 1800s brain disorders were attributed to neurosyphilis, an infection of the membranes of the nervous system. In 1906, Dr. Alzheimer’s felt that the disease was caused by microorganisms. In 1993, Dr. Judith Miklossy published, “Alzheimer’s disease, a spirochetosis?” Spirochetes are

infectious agents similar to the bug that causes lyme disease.

Subsequent to the work of these pioneers, researchers have shown the connection between presumed AD and a myriad of bacteria, viruses, and other microorganisms. Sadly, no one is treating patients based on this.

Judith Miklossy

Dr. Miklossy runs the International Alzheimer’s Research Center in Switzerland. She has promoted a cure for AD based on control of bacteria since 1993 when she published, “Alzheimer’s Disease: A Spirochetosis?”

When asked what is the biggest void in AD knowledge? She answered:

“The fact that pathogens may suppress, subvert or evade host defenses and establish chronic or latent infection has received little attention in the past. Increasing number of recent observations show the

involvement of pathogens in various chronic inflammatory disorders, e.g. in stomach ulcer,

atherosclerosis, cardio- and cerebrovascular disorders, diabetes, neurodegenerative disorders, and Alzheimer’s disease.” Visit her website:

<http://www.miklossy.ch>



Antibiotics and Alzheimer’s

In 2003, a Canadian group studied the use of Doxycycline and Rifampin, two antibiotics, for patients with Alzheimer’s. They found that treated patients have significantly less decline in cognitive function scores compared to untreated volunteers. “The antibiotic group showed significantly less dysfunctional behavior at 3 months. There was no significant difference in adverse



events between groups.”

This simple treatment provides outcomes that far exceed the standard-of-care. Also, it is easy to screen for inflammation and infection. Yet, a decade later, no one is using this approach to help people suffering from Alzheimer’s. Why? One guess is that Doxycycline and Rifampin do not make drug companies profits.