Quantum biology (QB) can be used to explain how and why interactions and imbalances between neuropeptides create the complexity of outcomes associated with PD.

The information provided in this document is merely a subset of the finding for PD based on factors that can be verified by qualified computational biologists.

Note: With near certainty, using QB tools, a percentage of PD is can be verified as epigenetically inherited; a factor that can account for "start before birth."

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# Parkinson's disease may start before birth

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**Summary:** 10% of patients diagnosed with Parkinson's disease are between the ages of 21 and 50. For those with young-onset Parkinson's disease, researchers report the foundations for the disease may have been apparent before they were born. The study also points to a drug, currently approved to treat precancerous skin growths, that has the potential to reduce elevated levels of alpha-synuclein.

Source: Cedars Sinai Medical Center

People who develop Parkinson's disease before age 50 may have been born with disordered brain cells that went undetected for decades, according to new Cedars-Sinai research. The research points to a drug that potentially might help correct these disease processes.

Parkinson's occurs when brain neurons that make dopamine, a substance that helps coordinate muscle movement, become impaired or die. Symptoms, which get worse over time, include slowness of movement, rigid muscles, tremors and loss of balance. In most cases, the exact cause of neuron failure is unclear, and there is no known cure.

At least 500,000 people in the U.S. are diagnosed with Parkinson's every year, and the incidence is rising. Although most patients are 60 or older when they are diagnosed, about 10% are

between 21 and 50 years old. The new study, published in the journal *Nature Medicine*, focuses on these young-onset patients.

"Young-onset Parkinson's is especially heartbreaking because it strikes people at the prime of life," said Michele Tagliati, MD, director of the Movement Disorders Program, vice-chair and professor in the Department of Neurology at Cedars-Sinai. "This exciting new research provides hope that one day we may be able to detect and take early action to prevent this disease in at-risk individuals." Tagliati was a co-author of the study.

To perform the study, the research team generated special stem cells, known as induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSCs), from cells of patients with young-onset Parkinson's disease. This process involves taking adult blood cells "back in time" to a primitive embryonic state. These iPSCs can then produce any cell type of the human body, all genetically identical to the patient's own cells. The team used the iPSCs to produce dopamine neurons from each patient and then cultured them in a dish and analyzed the neurons' functions.

"Our technique gave us a window back in time to see how well the dopamine neurons might have functioned from the very start of a patient's life," said Clive Svendsen, PhD, director of the Cedars-Sinai Board of Governors Regenerative Medicine Institute and professor of Biomedical Sciences and Medicine at Cedars-Sinai. He was the study's senior author.

The researchers detected two key abnormalities in the dopamine neurons in the dish:

- Accumulation of a protein called alpha-synuclein, which occurs in most forms of Parkinson's disease.
- Malfunctioning lysosomes, cell structures that act as "trash cans" for the cell to break down and dispose of proteins. This malfunction could cause alpha-synuclein to build up.

"What we are seeing using this new model are the very first signs of young-onset Parkinson's," said Svendsen.

"It appears that dopamine neurons in these individuals may continue to mishandle alphasynuclein over a period of 20 or 30 years, causing Parkinson's symptoms to emerge."

The investigators also used their iPSC model to test a number of drugs that might reverse the abnormalities they had observed. They found that that one drug, PEP005, which is already approved by the Food and Drug Administration for treating precancers of the skin, reduced the elevated levels of alpha-synuclein in both the dopamine neurons in the dish and in laboratory mice.

The drug also countered another abnormality they found in the patients' dopamine neurons – elevated levels of an active version of an enzyme called protein kinase C – although the role of this enzyme version in Parkinson's is not clear.

MCFIP - Quantum biology supported by bioinformatic identifies protein kinase C as consisting of the interactions of the epigenetic signaling molecules IL-12p35, p40 and p70. The same process identifies these same activities as a causal factor for some forms of PD.

Bioinformatic search can verify the fact that the synucleins ( $\alpha$ , $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ ) as alternative designations for IL-12p35, p40 and p70

For the next steps, Tagliati said the team plans to investigate how PEP005, currently available in gel form, might be delivered to the brain to potentially treat or prevent young-onset Parkinson's. The team also plans more research to determine whether the abnormalities the study found in neurons of young-onset Parkinson's patients also exist in other forms of Parkinson's.

"This research is an outstanding example of how physicians and investigators from different disciplines join forces to produce translational science with the potential to help patients," said Shlomo Melmed, MB, ChB, executive vice president of Academic Affairs and dean of the Medical Faculty at Cedars-Sinai. "This important work is made possible by the dual leadership of Cedars-Sinai as both a distinguished academic institution and an outstanding hospital."

The study's co-first authors were postdoctoral fellow Alexander Laperle, PhD, and project scientists Samuel Sances, PhD, and Nur Yucer, PhD, all from Svendsen's laboratory. Besides the Regenerative Medicine Institute and Neurology, the study involved the Department of Biomedical Sciences, Center for Bioinformatics and Functional Genomics, Smidt Heart Institute, Samuel Oschin Comprehensive Cancer Institute and the Research Division of Immunology at Cedars-Sinai, along with UCLA.

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**Competing interests:** Intellectual property protection is pending for disease modeling, diagnostics and drug screening for molecular signatures of early-onset sporadic Parkinson's disease, and the use of PEP005 for Parkinson's disease.

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### Abstract

## iPSC modeling of young-onset Parkinson's disease reveals a molecular signature of disease and novel therapeutic candidates

Young-onset Parkinson's disease (YOPD), defined by onset at <50 years, accounts for approximately 10% of all Parkinson's disease cases and, while some cases are associated with known genetic mutations, most are not. Here induced pluripotent stem cells were generated from control individuals and from patients with YOPD with no known mutations. Following differentiation into cultures containing dopamine neurons, induced pluripotent stem cells from patients with YOPD showed increased accumulation of soluble  $\alpha$ -synuclein protein and phosphorylated protein kinase  $C\alpha$ , as well as reduced abundance of lysosomal membrane proteins such as LAMP1. Testing activators of lysosomal function showed that specific phorbol esters, such as PEP005, reduced α-synuclein and phosphorylated protein kinase Cα levels while increasing LAMP1 abundance. Interestingly, the reduction in  $\alpha$ -synuclein occurred through proteasomal degradation. PEP005 delivery to mouse striatum also decreased α-synuclein production in vivo. Induced pluripotent stem cell-derived dopaminergic cultures reveal a signature in patients with YOPD who have no known Parkinson's disease-related mutations, suggesting that there might be other genetic contributions to this disorder. This signature was normalized by specific phorbol esters, making them promising therapeutic candidates.[divider]Feel free to share this Neurology News.[/divider]

MCFIP - Quantum biology in conjunction with bioinformatics can verify the fact that numerous studies correlate LAMP1 in PD with calnexin while others link forms of LAMP2 with calmodulin. The following is provided for discussion with qualified computational biologists.

Alignment of Molecules: For Explanation , Discussion and DIY Exercise TNF-Alpha: TGF- Alpha: VEGF-A (Calnexin) Density (CD-4) Calcium - threonine - magnesium (BRCA1) p16 Calcium - serine - magnesium (BRCA2) p18 Calcium - cysteine - magnesium (BRCA3) p19 TNF-Beta: TGF-Beta: VEGF-B (Calmodulin) Motility (CD-8) Calcium - phenylalanine - magnesium (HRas) p21 Calcium – tyrosine – magnesium (KRas) Calcium – tryptophan – magnesium (NRas) p27 TNF-Gamma: TGF-Gamma: VEGF-C (Calcineurin) Modulatory Enzyme: IFNy and Th17 cells (CD-25) Iron - serine - Manganese Iron - cysteine - Manganese Iron - threonine - Manganese Examples of alternative designations for the IFNy

Examples of alternative designations for the IFNy "enzymes" that have evolved include; AKT, mTOR, PTEN, NF-kB, and MYC.