Our mission is to advance the development of diagnostic tools and new treatments for patients with neurodegenerative conditions through clinical research.

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How can you support our work?
IND is a non-profit scientific research institute, dependent upon the support of foundations, state and federal grants, corporations, and contributions by individuals in order to carry out its important work. IND does not charge for clinical evaluations or for the educational programs provided by its staff. If you are interested in learning more about supporting IND’s mission, please call and ask for the Development Department at (203) 401-4300.

The hope for a cure is through research.
The Institute for Neurodegenerative Disorders (IND) is an independent non-profit research institute based in New Haven, Connecticut. IND is comprised of an accomplished team of physician investigators, study coordinators, neuropsychologists and imaging technologists. The IND research team is recognized internationally for its expertise in the diagnosis and management of dementia, Alzheimer disease, Parkinson disease and other neurological conditions. We envision a future in which research provides methods of early detection and treatment of neurological conditions, and ultimately the prevention of these conditions.

IND RESEARCH IS FOCUSED ON FOUR RELATED PROGRAMS:
- Evaluating new treatments
- Developing imaging studies for diagnosing and monitoring disease
- Detecting neurologic disease before symptoms appear
- Promoting healthy aging

ACTIVE RESEARCH PROGRAMS ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE AT IND FOR THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:
- Alzheimer disease
- Dementia
- Huntington disease
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Parkinson disease
- Post Traumatic Stress Disorder

TREATMENT STUDIES
Research is essential to the development of safe and effective new therapies for neurological symptoms. New treatments developed by researchers are carefully tested; safety for each and every study participant is our primary concern and is guided by strict US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations. Thanks to the consent and cooperation of thousands of study participants, we conduct treatment studies at IND, aiming to treat neurodegenerative disorders more effectively.

IMAGING RESEARCH
Brain imaging has emerged as a vital tool for more reliable diagnosis and early detection of neurological disease. IND researchers are recognized as world leaders in the innovative use of nuclear medicine imaging using PET (positron emission tomography) and SPECT (single photon emission tomography). IND’s state of the art imaging center has conducted the largest studies of neurological diseases ever undertaken.

Utilizing specialized imaging markers to target specific diseases offers the opportunity to understand changes in the brain that occur and the potential for an earlier and more accurate diagnosis, possibly even before symptoms arise. A primary goal of our imaging research program is to allow for the possibility of initiating treatment at the earliest stages of disease.

Participation in research is essential to speed the pace of discovery of new treatments

BENEFITS OF RESEARCH PARTICIPATION:
- Contribute to the development of medical treatments for neurological conditions
- Influence the availability of new medications in the future
- Obtain a better understanding of neurological conditions
- Have potential access to research medication prior to being available by prescription
- Have access to specialists regarding neurological conditions
- Monetary compensation for many studies