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Abstract

Amyloid beta (AB) is believed one of the major pathogens of Alzheimer's disease (AD), and the reduction of Aß is considered a primary therapeutic target. Immunization with Aβ can reduce Aβ burden and pathological features in transgenic AD model mouse. This means anti-Aβ autoantibodies may have a role in AD pathology. Recent findings suggest anti-Aß autoantibodies level decrease in AD patients. The early detection of AD is important for treatment of this disease. However, diagnosis on AD has only been possible through limited methods such as neuropsychological examination or MRI. To investigate whether it was possible to detect the presence and different levels of naturally occurring anti-Aβ autoantibodies in the plasma of patients with AD and agematched controls. An advanced ELISA was performed to detect levels of naturally occurring anti-Aβ autoantibodies in the plasma. The level of anti-Aβ auto-antibodies from patients with idiopathic Parkinson's disease or stroke and from normal controls were compared to that of AD patients. Our results showed a significantly lower anti-Aβ autoantibodies level in AD compared to those with other neurological diseases or control. The level of anti-AB autoantibodies in the serum may be used to diagnose the presence of AD.

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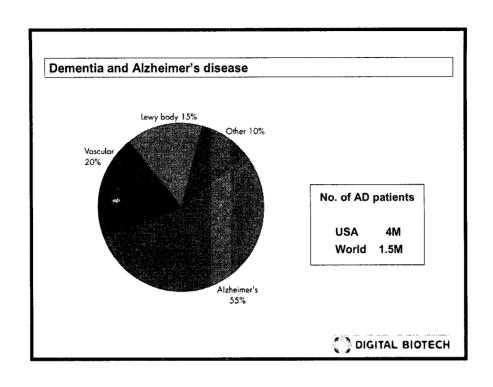
Unmet needs of Alzheimer's disease

- · Increase AD patients with high age society
- · no curable medicine ever developed

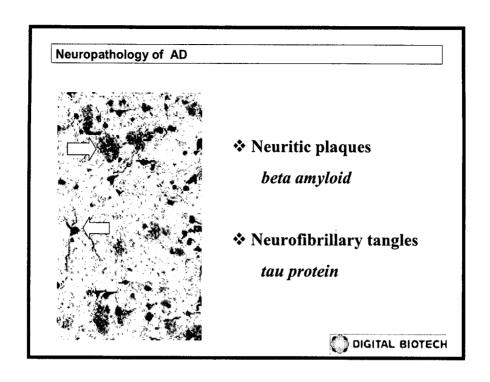
Disease	no. of patients	medical expenses/year	
Alzheimer's	5,000,000	100 billion dollar	
Parkinson	1,000,000	5 - 10 billion dollar	
stroke	3,000,000	50 billion dollar	
spinal injury	500,000	5 billion dollar	
schizophrenia	1,500,000	40 billion dollar	

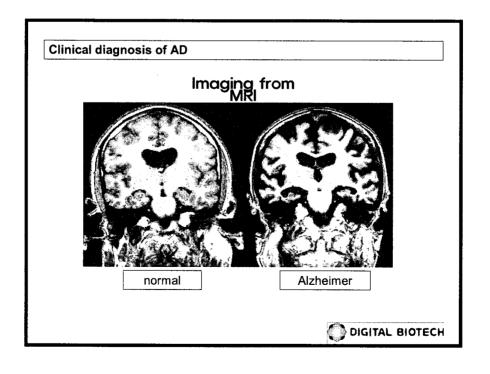
(ref: NIH, Voluntary Organization, 1990, 1997, USA; NINDS Congressional Report 2001)





Genes associated with Alzheimer's disease						
Disease	Gene					
Onset	Product	Chromosome				
Early	Amyloid precursor protein (APP)	21				
	Presenilin 1 (PS1)	14				
	Presenilin 2 (PS2)	1				
Late	Apolipoprotein E	19				
	LDL receptor-related protein (LRP)	12				
	a ₂ -Macroglobulin (a ₂ M)	12				
	F É 65	11				
	Chromosome 12 gene product distinct from LRP and a M	12				
	Chromosomal loci	10				
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Clinical diagnosis of AD

Biological markers

blood / CSF

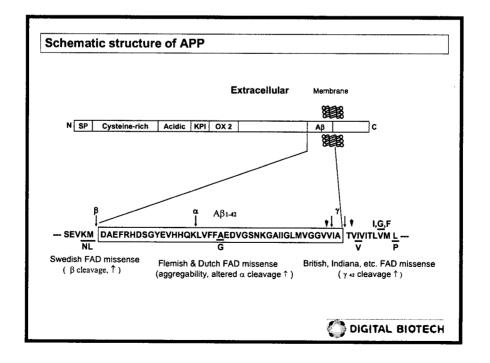
Molecular diagnosis - APP. PS1. PS2. ApoE e4.

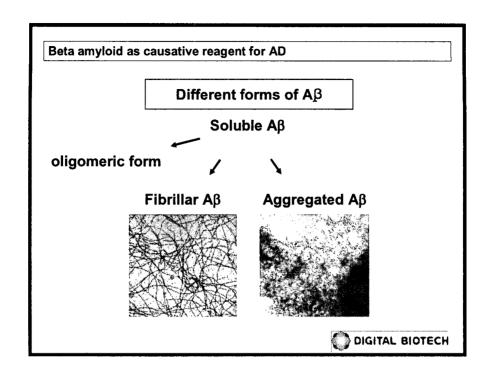
Blood test - beta amyloid. Tau protein.

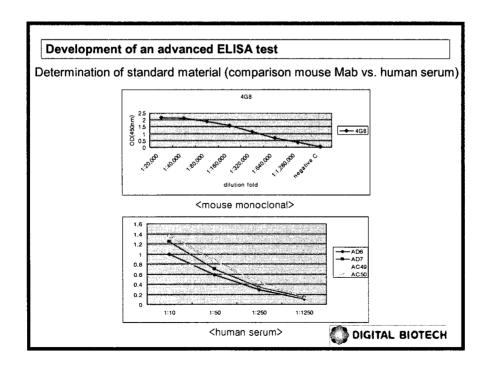
CSF test - beta amyloid. Tau protein. Neuronal thread protein

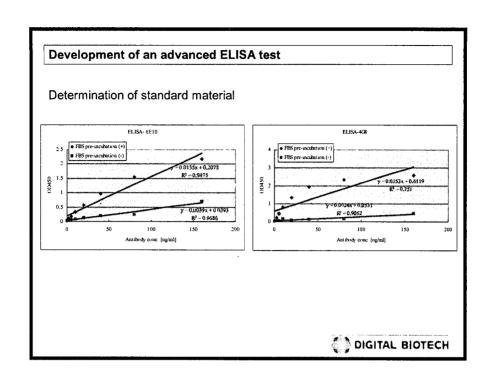
Others - skin amyloid. Tropicamide. Olfactory biopsy

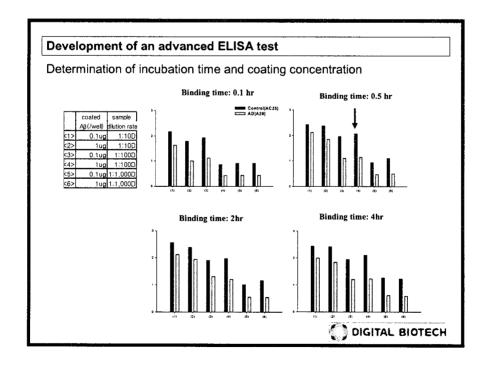


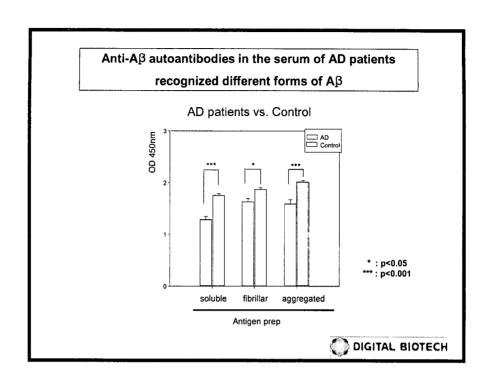


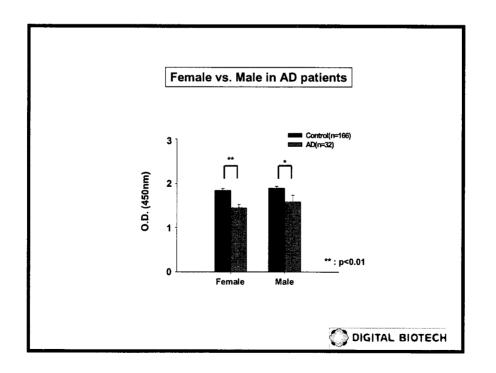


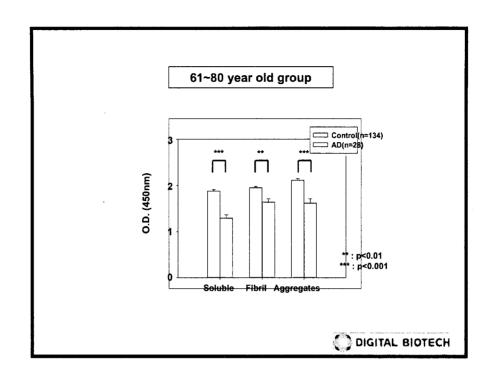


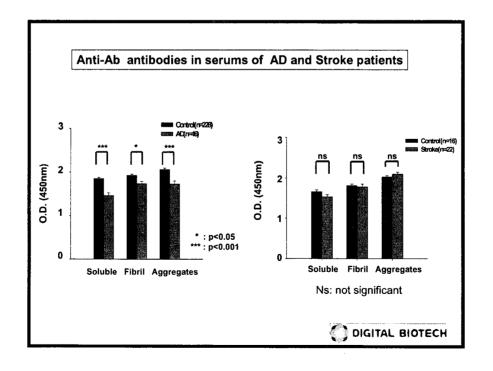


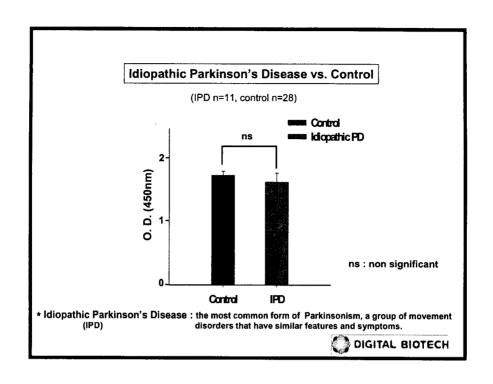












Results of Clinical Field Test

	AD samples (272)		Normal samples (478)	
Results	positive	negative	positive	negative
No. of samples	226	46	167	311
	sensitivity		specificity	
analysis	226/272*100=		311/478*100=	
	83.1%		65.1%	



Development of diagnostic ELISA kit for Alzheimer's disease



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