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Professional Interest Area (PIA): Neuropsychiatric Syndromes (NPS) in Neurodegenerative Disease

Description:

Neuropsychiatric Syndromes (NPS) in Neurodegenerative Disease is widely acknowledged as a major public-health priority area in the field of neurodegenerative disease. Experts are reminded of the universal prevalence of these symptoms in Alzheimer's and related conditions, the significant added disability for patients and caregivers associated with NPS and the relative scarcity of effective treatments for NPS. The PIA will focus on defining clinical entities that will serve as targets for research and treatment development in later years. Sub-groups related to specific NPS in Alzheimer's disease, targeting depression, agitation, apathy, psychosis, and sleep disorder, will work to develop a series of next steps to meet the PIA's overall objective.

Objectives:

- 1) Provide a forum for scientific discourse on the topic of NPS in neurodegenerative disease.
- 2) Develop and validate diagnostic criteria for select NPS to be used as targets for treatment development.
- 3) Advance efforts to develop effective treatments for NPS in neurodegenerative disease, especially Alzheimer's disease.

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