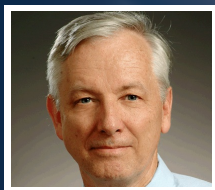


# A Supplement May Relieve Symptoms of Alzheimer's



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## CURRENT RESEARCH

A clinical study may prove to find an effective disease modifying treatment for Alzheimer's

Alzheimer's disease is an incurable, progressive, and fatal disease that currently has no effective disease modifying treatment. Symptoms can be treated to a modest extent, but a real therapy that gets at the root cause is very much needed due to the increasing number of patients with this disease and the incredible cost of caring for patients with Alzheimer's. Dr. Chris Batich of the University of Florida, studies the role of iron in neurodegenerative diseases, like Alzheimer's and Parkinson's, in addition to inflammatory diseases and cardiovascular diseases. In his past research funded by NIH, Dr. Batich has identified several potential treatments for these diseases; however, a human clinical study is needed to see if the promising laboratory studies will work in real patients. If Dr. Batich's research is supported with a successful clinical trial, an effective, disease modifying, and affordable treatment will be accessible to those with neurodegenerative, inflammatory, and cardiovascular diseases thereby improving their quality of life and assisting their caretakers. Acting alone, such a treatment will probably not cure the disease, but it has a the potential to delay its progression.

In the medical community, it is believed that there are likely several causes for such diseases, and addressing them in concert will probably be the best way to treat them in the future. This model is often explained as a cup being filled with a variety of different contributing causes. At some point, the cup overflows and it is at this point, that an individual experiences symptoms of a specific disease. Therefore, if researchers are able to target the several different individual causes that help to fill the cup, they may...

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## AFFILIATION



## EDUCATION

- Post-doctoral, in Physical Chemistry, 1974, University of Basel (Switzerland)
- Ph.D., in Organic Chemistry, 1971, Rutgers University
- B.S., in Pre-medicine, 1965, Pennsylvania State University

## AWARDS

- AIMBE College of Fellows
- Inventors Recognition Ceremony, 2010-2014
- 2011 Superior Accomplishment Award from UF for "Mentoring of PhD students"
- Sabbatical (2 semester) August 2011-May 2012 (Akzo Company, Germany)

## RESEARCH AREAS

Life Science, Immunology / Inflammatory, Neurological / Cognitive

## FUNDING REQUEST

Your contributions will support the continued research of Dr. Chris Batich as he develops and carries out a clinical study to test the effectiveness of the IP-6 supplement for Alzheimer's disease. A clinical study includes a basic study that will cost \$40K, and a full study that would cost closer to \$600K. Therefore, a range of donations would be of help in identifying the helpfulness of Dr. Batich's treatment. In choosing to donate, you will aid in developing disease modifying treatments!