

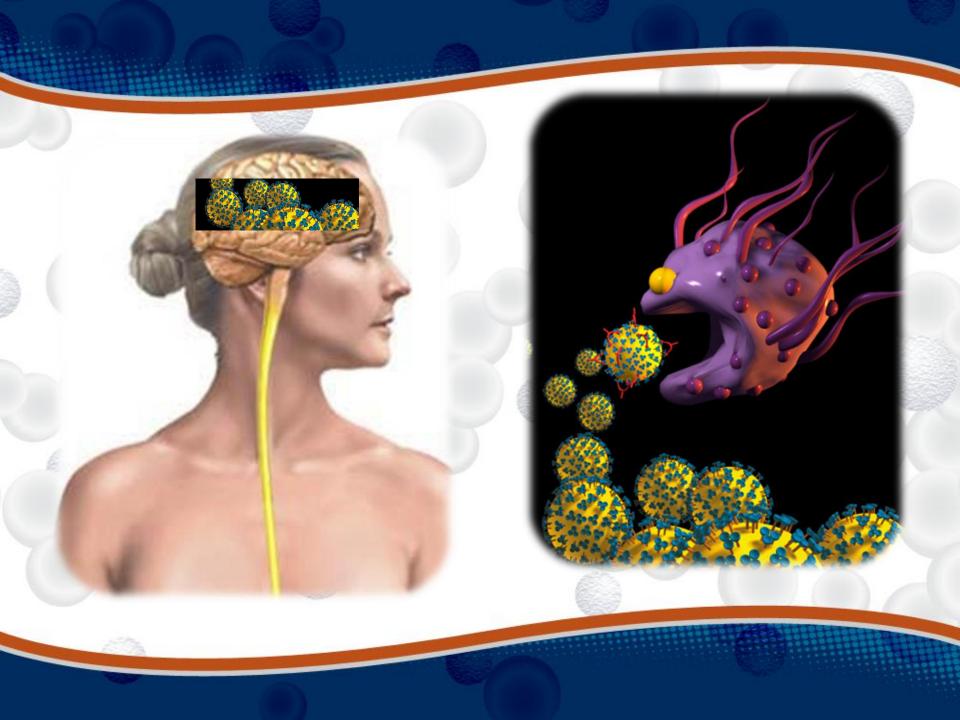
Recirculating Phagocytes are a <u>Novel Source</u> of Biomarkers for Brain Injury

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Sample Preparation



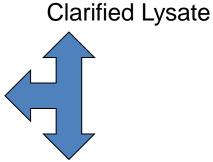
PBMC

Hypotonic Lysis





Protein Analysis





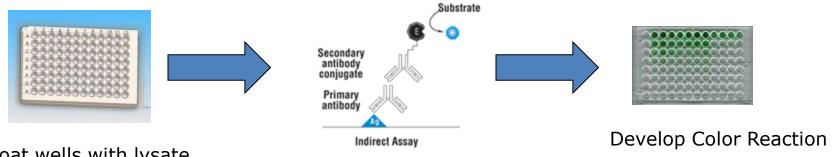
Micro centrifuge

Pellet (insolubles)

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Clarified Lysate ELISA Assay



Coat wells with lysate Wash and block

> Measure and record Optical Density on a Microplate Reader





Selected Antigens



Tau:

Neuronal Microfilament Associated Protein. Associated with Alzheimer's Disease, Parkinson's, and Multiple Sclerosis.

Hippocalcin-1 like-1:

Neuron Specific Protein mediating neuron specific calcium metabolism.

Potentially Hundreds of Proteins within Phagocytes May be Informative





Relapsing Remitting Multiple Sclerosis:

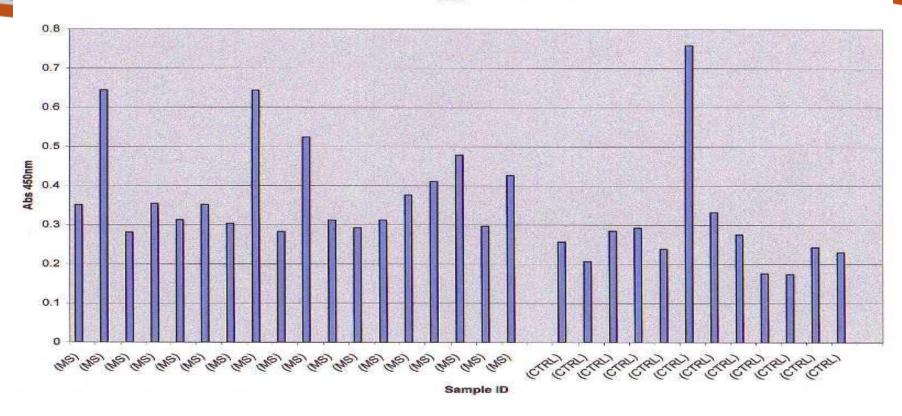
Eighteen sequential patients attending MS Clinic at Barrow Neurological Institute

Apparently Healthy Controls:

Twelve randomly recruited co-worker at Barrow Neurological Institute







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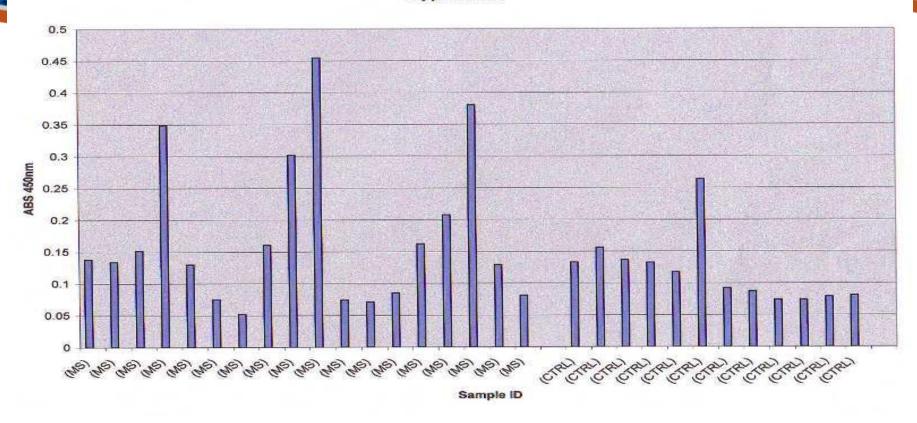


Assay	Controls	MS Subjects
Tau	1/12	7/18

Tau 7/18 vs 1/12 not statistically significant



Hippocalcin1



Using a cutoff value of 0.16, 7/18 MS samples were positive for Hippocalcin1like-1 and 1/12 healthy control samples was positive for Hippocalcin1 like-1.

MSDx Pathway Hippocalcin1



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Statistical Effect of Combining the Biomarker Results MS MS

Tau or Hippocalcin-1	Positive	Negative	Total
Control	1	11	12
MS	9	9	18
Total	10	20	30

The two-tailed P value equals 0.0235.



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