National Cell Repository for Alzheimer Disease (NCRAD)

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Overview

- National Cell Repository for Alzheimer Disease was established by the National Institute on Aging (NIA).
- Goal was to make available to researchers a large number of samples that could be used to study the genetics of Alzheimer disease (AD).

What do researchers need?

• Need samples, blood or tissue, which permits the extraction of DNA (genetic material).



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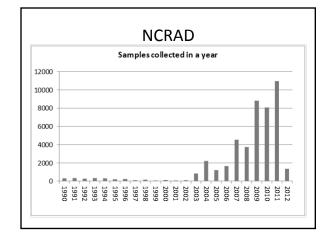
Clinical Annotation

Well documented cases with Alzheimer disease and controls who do not have disease.

- Alzheimer Disease Case
 Completed a clinical evaluation documenting memory loss
- Diagnosis confirmed by evaluation of brain tissue at time of death (neuropathology)

Control

- Completed a clinical evaluation with normal cognition (no memory
- No evidence of changes in brain tissue consistent with Alzheimer disease (neuropathology)



NCRAD Facilities

- · Located here at Indiana University
- Receive multiple sample types and process
 - Blood
 - Brain tissue
- DNA
- RNA
- Cerebrospinal Fluid
- Serum
- Distribute samples to approved researchers
- To date, distributed 122,122

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