

SYSTEMIC AMYLOIDOSIS

The Basics



17

Unique Types

Systemic amyloidosis is a group of progressive and debilitating rare diseases, in which toxic amyloid, a collection of proteins that have misfolded, builds up in the body in and around organs, stopping them from functioning properly. Amyloidosis results in organ failure, high mortality rates, and high healthcare costs.



4 Most Common Types

There are more than 30 precursor proteins that cause amyloidosis, and 17 cause systemic disease.¹ The four most common types of systemic amyloidosis are:

Wild-type Transthyretin Amyloidosis (wtATTR)

Mainly manifests in the heart and in ligaments and tendons

Hereditary Transthyretin Amyloidosis (hATTR)

Manifests in the heart, nerves, GI and kidneys

Light Chain Amyloidosis (AL or primary)

Manifests in almost every organ, but >70% of patients have cardiac and/or kidney involvement²

Leukocyte Chemotactic Factor 2 Amyloidosis (ALECT2)

Manifests mainly in the kidneys and the liver

Early Diagnosis is Critical

Amyloidosis leads to poor and declining quality of life, particularly in later stage patients. If left unchecked, toxic amyloid will continue to build up in and around your organs, resulting in organ failure, and is often fatal.⁴

There is no approved amyloid-specific diagnosis agent. Patients undergo numerous diagnostic tests and it can take months, and often years, for a patient to be diagnosed.⁵



>80%

of patients never receive a diagnosis³



25%

of patients wait > 5 years for a diagnosis⁴

Current Treatment Options

Therapies currently used for the treatment of amyloidosis target precursor protein production, reducing the formation of new amyloid. These therapies may slow the progression of the disease but do not reduce or remove existing amyloid from the body.⁶



25%

of hATTR patients are hospitalized within 1 year of diagnosis⁷



3-5

years survival, on average, due to delays in diagnosis⁸

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