

Neurotrophic factors for the treatment of Motor neuron diseases (MNDS)

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Abstract

Motor neuron diseases MNDS are kind of neurodegenerative diseases, specifically it affects upper and lower motor neurons which cause motor signals unable to pass to the exact muscles. Which leads uncontrollable twitching (fasciculations), gradual muscle weakening, wasting, and paralysis. Yet there is no permanent cure for the MNDS. After disease onset within 3-4 years death occurs. Still the therapeutic options are limited despite a large number of methods have been tested clinically. Neurotrophic factor treatments known to promote faster regeneration of motor neurons and CNS neurons have been reported. However, the exact neurotrophic factor not yet found out for clinical phase trials. In this we discuss the underlying principle behind those neurotrophic factors and neurotrophic factor drugs for treatment of MNDS.



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