## **ALZHEIMER'S** & periodontal disease



### **DEMENTIA:**

The loss of cognitive function—thinking, remembering, and reasoning—and behavioral abilities, to such an extent that it interferes with a person's daily life and activities.

## Alzheimer's Disease (AD) is the most common cause of dementia among older people.

### **SPIROCHETES:**

Spirochetes form plaque, tangles, and curly fiberlike lesions in the brain. Their number progressively increases in patients with mild, moderate, and severe AD. Spirochetes escape destruction of the host immune response and establish chronic infection and sustained inflammation. PATHOGENIC ORAL BACTERIA CALLED SPIROCHETES MAY CAUSE AD.



# **INSIDE THE AD BRAIN**

AD brain lesions are infiltrated with oral spirochetes.





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### Association of oral invasive periodontal Treponema (T.) spirochetes with Alzheimers disease



The presence and frequency of spirochetes are significantly higher in the brains of Alzheimer's patients compared to controls.

#### **SALIVARY DIAGNOSTICS**



#### **Salivary Diagnostics**

Salivary genetic test to detect type and number of oral pathogens including spirochetes.



#### **Periodontal Treatment**

Proper periondontal treatment eliminates oral spirochete infection.

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