

MOVEMENT DISORDERS



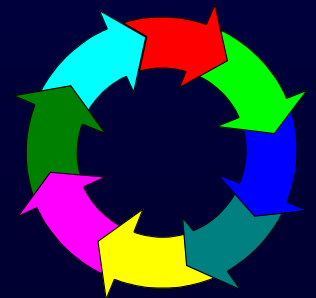
Parts of the motor circuits

- **cortical centers: there are centers in all the cortical lobes**
 - **subcortical centers:**
 - **caudate nucleus**
 - **putamen**
 - **pallidum**
 - **subthalamic nucleus (Luys)**
 - **nucleus ruber**
 - **substantia nigra**
- Diagram illustrating the classification of subcortical centers:
- caudate nucleus
 - putamen
 - pallidum
- These three structures are grouped into the **striatum** and **nucleus lentiformis**.



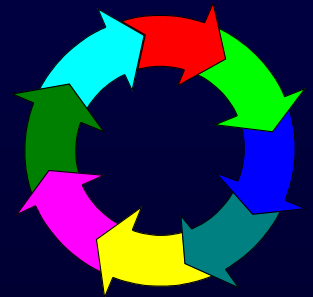
There are two main clinically different groups:

- **hypokinetic-hypertonic
(rigid)**
- **hyperkinetic-hypotonic**



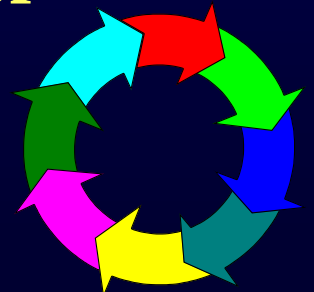
hypokinetic-hypertonic (rigid) syndrome

**Parkinson's disease, Parkinsonian
syndromes**



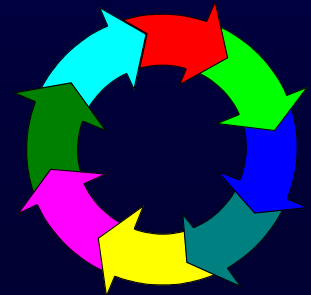
The etiology of the Parkinsonism

- **primer, idiopathic form: Parkinson's disease**
 - **the second most frequent progressive neurodegenerative disease**
 - **the prevalence is 1% in the 65 year old population and it increases to 4-5% in the 85 year old population**
 - **it is most frequently sporadic**
 - **approximately 10% of the cases are familiar (there are 16 indentified genes, wich cause autosomal dominant, or recessive forms of Parkinson's disease)**



The etiology of the Parkinsonian syndromes

- **symptomatic: Parkinson's syndrome**
 - **trauma**
 - **tumor**
 - **inflammation (encephalitis)**
 - **stroke (ischemic, hemorrhagic)**
 - **toxic agents (CO, neuroleptic drugs)**



The etiology of the Parkinsonian syndromes

Parkinson plus diseases

- **Synucleopathies:**

 - Multi System Atrophy (MSA)**

- **Taupathies (abnormally fosforilated Tau protein):**

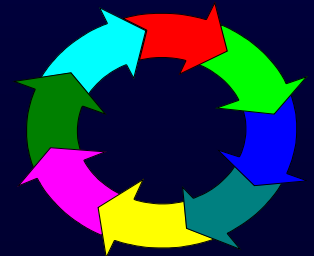
 - Progresive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP)=**

 - Steel-Richardson-Olszewski sy.**

 - Corticobasal Degeneration**

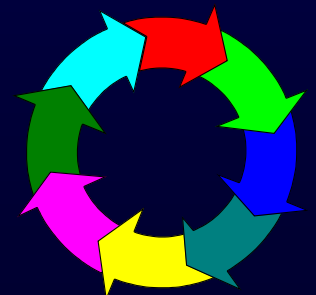
The neuropathologic basis of Parkinson's disease

- **degeneration of the substantia nigra and the striatum (Lewy bodies- cytoplasmatic protein aggregations)**
- **disintegration of the dopamin-acetilcholin balance in the central nervous system**
- **decrease of the dopamin level and cholinergic dominance**



the main motor symptoms of Parkinsonism

- **rigidity**
- **tremor**
- **hypo-, and bradykinesia**
- **postural instability**



rigidity

- **the tone of the agonist és antagonist (flexor and extensor) muscles increases paralelly**
- **the trunk and the extremities are in semiflected position**
- **during passive movement of the extremities we can feel permanent resistance (cogwheel phenomenon)**
- **very often assimetrical distribution**



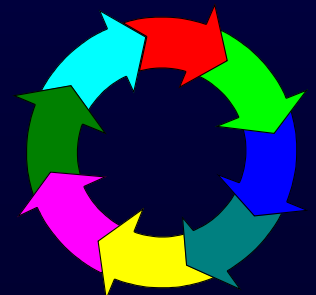
tremor

- **the agonistic and antagonistic (flexor és extensor) muscles contract with rhythmic, 6-8/sec. frequency**
- **the tremor is most prominent in resting position, the stress could provoke it**
- **the intended movements decrease the tremor and it is stopped during sleep**
- **very often assimetrical distribution**



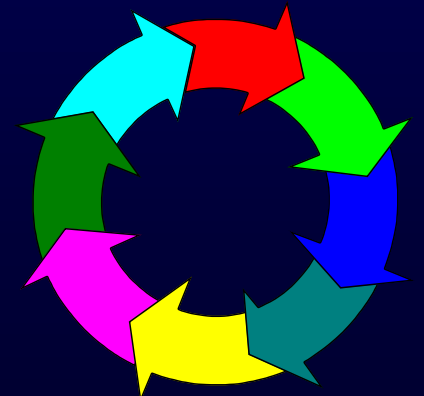
hypo-, and bradykinesia

- **movements and walking become slow, sluggish and difficult**
- **shuffling gait with decreased excursion of legs**
- **difficulties in turning**
- **freezing: sudden stop in walking and movements**



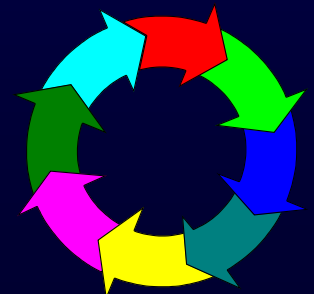
other signs (motor)

- **on-off phenomenon**
- **retropulsion**
- **hypomimia, or blank face**
- **monotonous speech**
- **micrographia**



other signs (non motor)

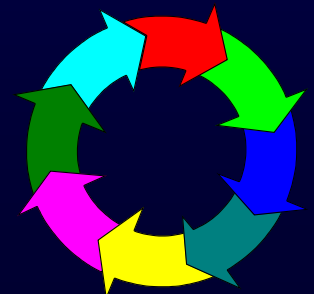
- **hyposmia, hypogeusia**
- **vegetative problems: orthostatic hypotension, incontinence, impotence, hyperperspiration**
- **gastrointestinal problems :swallowing difficulty, hypersalivation, gastroparesis, constipation**
- **pain and other sensory disturbances**
- **depression**
- **sleep disorders**



Parkinson plus diseases

Multi System Atrophy (MSA) - Papp-Lantos disease

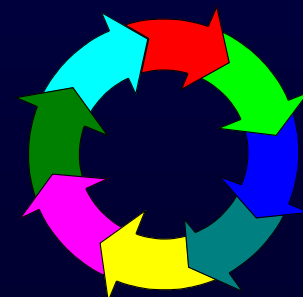
- **the stages of the disease:**
 - striato-nigral degeneration**
 - olivo-ponto-cerebellar atrophy**
 - Shy-Drager syndrome**
- **no, or mild asymmetry in the parkinsonic signs**
- **early falls down**
- **autonomic dysfunctions (orthostatic hypotension, impotence, incontinence, respiratory stridor)**
- **„dropped head”**
- **pyramidal signs, cerebellar signs**
- **no, or just partial response to levodopa therapy**



Parkinson plus diseases

Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP)- Steel-Richardson-Olszewski sy.

- **postural instability, early falls down, axial rigidity, freezing**
- **supranuclear gaze paresis (predominantly vertical)
downwards gaze!**
- **frontal lobe signs (primitive reflexes, apathy, frontal demencia)**



the Parkinsonian crisis could be life threatening !!

- **complete immobility**
- **aphagia and anarthria**
- **extreme rigidity**
- **fever**
- **cardiovascular insufficiency**
- **bedsores, pneumonia, deep vein thrombosis, lung embolism**



treatment

DRUGS

- **MAO B inhibitors (selegilin, rasagiline)**
- **Amantadin (PK Merz)**
- **Dopamin agonists (ergotamine type: bromocriptin, non ergotamin type: ropinirole, pramipexole, rotigotine, apomorphine)**
- **L-DOPA substitution (L-DOPA+DOPA decarboxilase inhibitor) per os and intrajejunal infusion DUODOPA**
- **COMT inhibitors (entacapone)**
- **L-DOPA+DOPA decarboxilase inhibitor+ COMT inhibitor**
- **anticholinergic drugs (metixene, procyclidine)**



treatment

SURGICAL (just in severe cases, when the antiparkinsonian drugs are ineffective)

- **deep brain stimulation – DBS (uni-, or bilateral)**
target zones: STN, pallidum, thalamus VIM nucleus
- **thalamotomy, pallidotomy (uni-, or bilateral)**
- **neurotransplantation (implantation of fetal mesencephalic cells into the caudat nucleus and putamen region)**



treatment

- **physiotherapy (training, special exercises)**
- **psychotherapy**

