

# Tuberous Sclerosis Complex

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# Tuberous sclerosis complex (TSC)

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# Definition

- Tuberosclerosis complex (TSC) is a genetic disorder that causes non-malignant tumors to form in many different organs: brain, eyes, heart, kidney, skin and lungs.
- Inactivation of TSC<sub>1</sub> or TSC<sub>2</sub>
  - TSC<sub>1</sub> and TSC<sub>2</sub> genes suppress tumor growth in the body by carefully regulating cell growth through inhibition of a protein called mTOR

# Epidemiology

- Incidence 1:6000
- Affect 1-2 million worldwide
- 5000 person in Canada
- Under diagnosed

# Manifestation and diagnostic criterias

MAJOR FEATURES		MINOR FEATURES	
1	Hypomelanotic macules ( $\geq 3$ , at least 5-mm diameter)	1	"Confetti" skin lesions
2	Angiofibromas ( $\geq 3$ ) or fibrous cephalic plaque	2	Dental enamel pits ( $>3$ )
3	Ungual fibromas ( $\geq 2$ )	3	Intraoral fibromas ( $\geq 2$ )
4	Shagreen patch	4	Retinal achromatic patch
5	Multiple retinal hamartomas	5	Multiple renal cysts
6	Cortical dysplasias*	6	Nonrenal hamartomas
7	Subependymal nodules		
8	Subependymal giant cell astrocytoma		
9	Cardiac rhabdomyoma		
10	Lymphangiomyomatosis (LAM) <sup>†</sup>		
11	Angiomyolipomas ( $\geq 2$ ) <sup>†</sup>		

Definite diagnosis: Two major features or one major feature with  $\geq 2$  minor features.

Possible diagnosis: Either one major feature or  $\geq 2$  minor features.

\*Includes tubers and cerebral white matter radial migration lines.

<sup>†</sup>A combination of the two major clinical features (LAM and angiomyolipomas) without other features does not meet criteria for a definite diagnosis.

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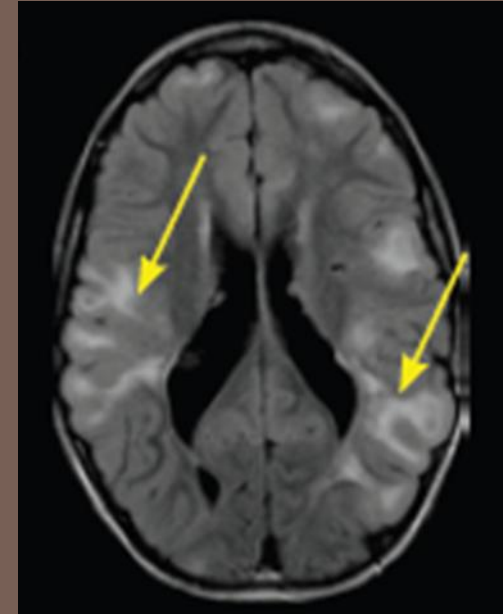
- GENE DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA
  - The identification of either a TSC<sub>1</sub> or TSC<sub>2</sub> pathogenic mutation in DNA from normal tissue is sufficient to make a Definite Diagnosis of TSC

# Brain Manifestation

- Epilepsy 90%
  - Infantile seizures 20-30%
- Brain tumors
  - Cortical tubers 90 %
  - SENs (Subependymal nodule) 95%
  - SEGAs ( Subependymal giant cell astrocytomas) 6-19%

# Cortical tubers 90 %

Collections of dysmorphic neurons, large astrocytes, and giant cells<sup>1,2</sup>  
Epilepsy occurs in over 90% of patients and is associated with the presence of cortical tubers<sup>2</sup>





# SENs (Sub ependymal nodule) 95%

Benign tumors, develop along ependymal lining of the lateral ventricles of the brain, proximal to the foramen of Monro<sup>1,3</sup>

SENs usually remain dormant and do not cause symptoms

Some SENs may increase in size to become SEGAs



Numerous  
SENs  
distributed  
on the wall  
of the  
lateral  
ventricles

SEGAs (  
Subependymal  
giant cell  
astrocytomas)  
6-19%

SEGAs are well circumscribed, slow-growing, low-grade tumors<sup>3</sup>

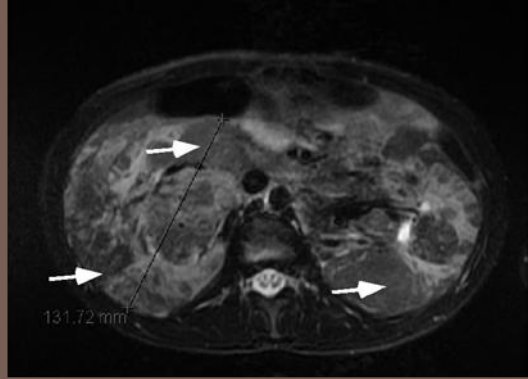
Can obstruct the CSF circulation, leading to hydrocephalus

Current intervention options:  
Surgical resection, if feasible  
Shunt implantation



A large  
SEGA along  
the midline  
of the brain  
near the  
foramen of  
Monro

# Renal Manifestation



Angiomyolipoma  
55 to 75%

Slow growing, bilateral kidney tumors  
Complications due to mass effect: hemorrhage or rupture of blood vessels feeding the lesion, destruction of adjacent renal tissue, risk of hypertension/renal failure

# Cardio- pulmonary manifestations

- Cardiac rhabdomyomas 33-48%
- Lymphangiomyomatosis (LAM) 26-39%

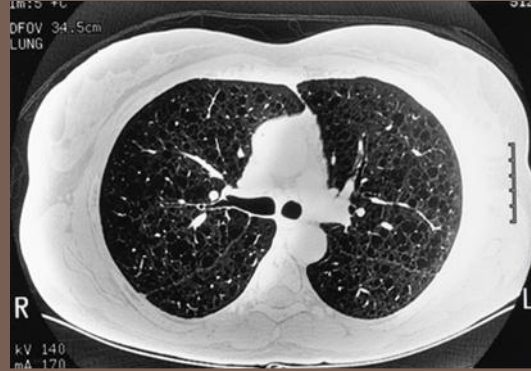
# Cardiac rhabdomyomas



Cardiac rhabdomyoma

Present in 50-70% infants with TSC  
Usually detected in utero or during the first year of life  
Often regresses/disappears later in life  
Although benign, position within critical areas in the heart may lead to lethal arrhythmias and heart failure

# Lymphangioliomyomatosis (LAM)

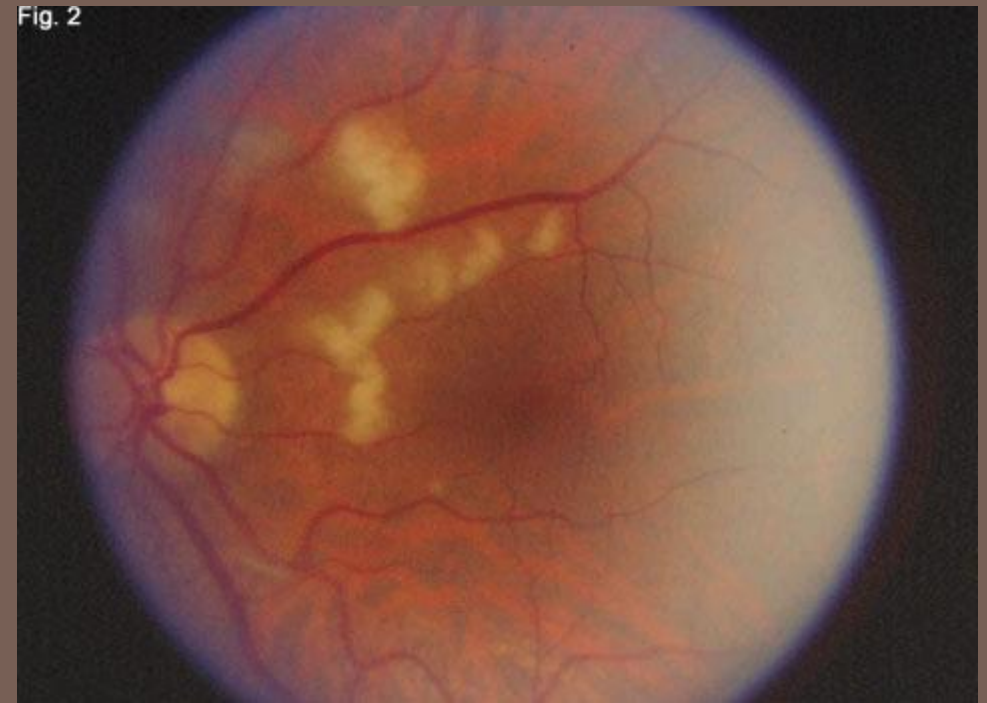


LAM

Progressive lung disease  
Occurs in 30-40% of women with TSC  
Infiltration of LAM smooth muscle  
cells and cystic destruction of the lung

# Ocular Manifestation

- Retinal lesions 40-50%



# Skin Manifestation

- Facial angiofibromas



- Ash leaf spots



- Shagreen patches



- Ungual fibromas



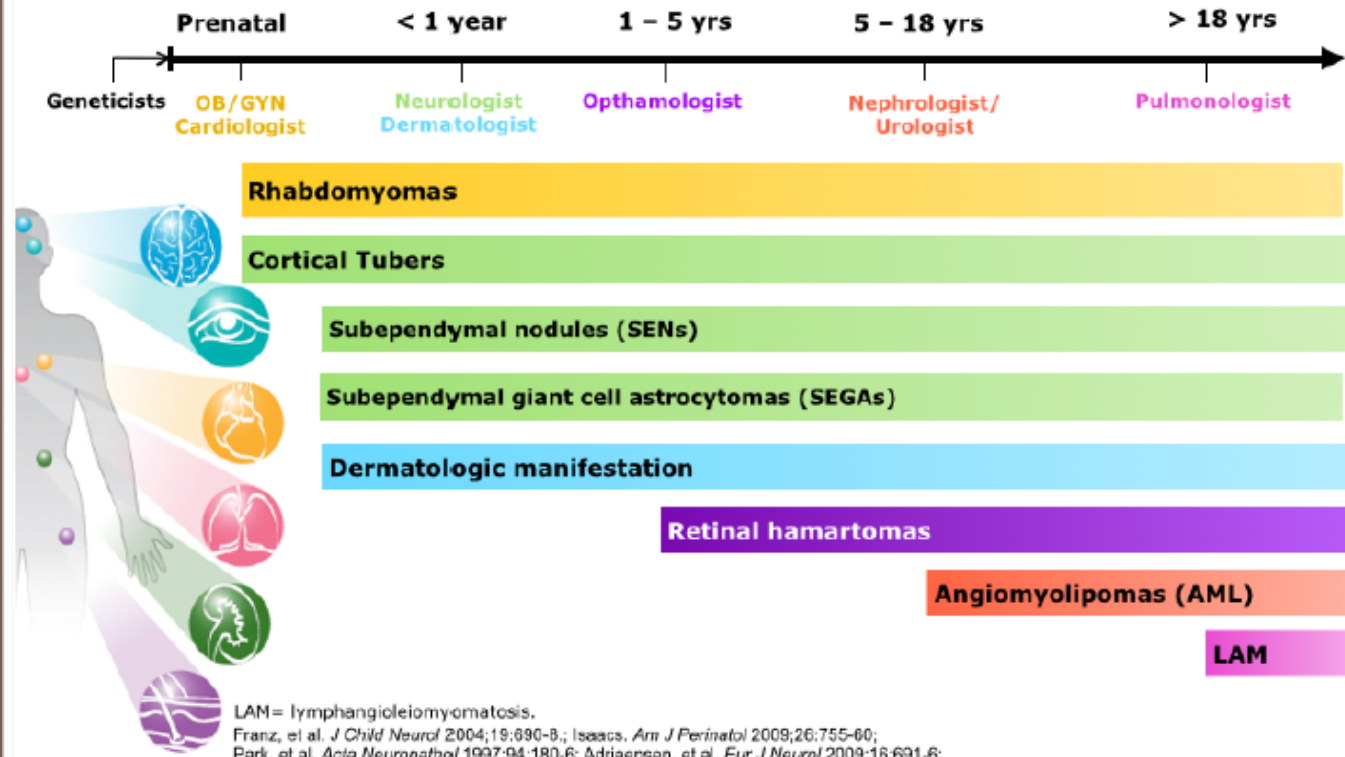


# Developmental/ Behavioral Problems

- Cognitive dysfunction
- Autism spectrum disorder
- ADHD (attention deficit with hyperactivity disorder)
- Anxiety

# Surveillance and recommendation

## A Patient's Journey with TSC



LAM= Lymphangiomyomatosis.  
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# Cond't

- Pediatric specific surveillance
  - Fœtal EKG when cardiac rbdomyomas are detected on the echography
  - EKG 1-3 years
  - Teach parents to recognize infantil spasms

# Cond't

- Specific to patient with SEGA:
  - MRI 1-3 years
  - MRI more frequently when growing SEGA or SEGA causing ventricular enlargement
  - Surveillance of Neurocognitive and comportemental disorders
  - EEG for epileptic patient and AEDs PRN

# Cond't

- Specific to AML (renal)
  - Abdominal MRI 1-3 years
  - Annually renal function (including the glomerular function and Blood pressure)



Cond't

Sclérose tubéreuse de Bourneville - Adulte

Identification du patient :	# Dossier :
Date de la visite :	Visite <input type="checkbox"/> initiale <input type="checkbox"/> suivi

Examens de suivi	Statut	Date	Résultat
<b>IRM cérébrale</b> SEGA : 1-3 ans * SEGA : initial seulement	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Demandée		
<b>EEG</b> Visite initiale et PRU	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Demandée		
<b>IRM de l'abdomen</b> 1-3 ans	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Demandée		
<b>Filtration glomérulaire</b> Annuellement	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Demandée		
<b>Test fonction respiratoire</b> Femmes ≥ 18 ans : initial Hommes : si symptomatique	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Demandée		
<b>Scan thoracique</b> kyste : 2-3 ans * kyste : 5-10 ans	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Demandée		
<b>Examen dermatologique</b> Annuellement	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Demandée		
<b>Examen dentaire</b> Biannuel	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Demandée		
<b>Examen ophtalmique</b> Annuellement	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Demandée		
<b>ECG</b> Asymptomatique : 3-5 ans Symptomatique : Plus fréquent	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Demandée		
<b>Tension artérielle</b> Annuellement	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Non obtenue		
<b>Évaluation psychiatrique</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtenue <input type="checkbox"/> Demandée		

<b>Traitements</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> CF liste des RX	<input type="checkbox"/> CF liste des RX antérieurs
<input type="checkbox"/> CF Notes	

Quelques liens utiles : Amy Laborde, médecin neurologue, Centre de CHU de Bordeaux (en français) [www.centrebordeaux.com/medecine/clinique/epileptologie](http://www.centrebordeaux.com/medecine/clinique/epileptologie)  
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# Treatments

- Treatment aim to decrease symptoms (treat the symptoms)



# Cond't

- For patient with SEGA
  - Symptomatic SEGA
    - Resective surgery
    - mTOR inhibitor
    - CSF (cerebral spinal fluid) Deviation
  - Surveillance of Neurocognitive and comportemental disorders
  - EEG and AEDs PRN

# Cond't

- For patient with AML (renal)
  - If hemorrhage: embolisation and corticotherapy
    - Avoid nephrectomy
  - Growing AML > 3 cm
    - mTor inhibitor as first line therapy
    - Embolisation
    - Partiel resection acceptable as second line therapy

mTOR  
inhibitor

- Loss of TSC1/TSC2 in the mTOR pathway defines TSC
- The tuberous sclerosis complex (TSC1/TSC2) are tumor suppressor proteins
- Inactivation of TSC1 or TSC2 leads to increased mTOR activity

mTOR inhibitor  
regulates mTOR activity

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Thanks!

- Question?