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Higher blood pressure may be linked to brain disease, Alzheimer disease

Older people who have higher blood pressure may have more signs of brain disease, specifically brain lesions. Researchers also found a link between higher blood pressure and more markers of Alzheimer disease (tangles in the brain). "Blood pressure changes with aging and disease, so we wanted to see what kind of impact it may have on the brain," said study author Zoe Arvanitakis, MD, MS, of the Rush Alzheimer's Disease Center at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, and a Fellow of the AAN. "We researched whether blood pressure in later life was associated with signs of brain aging that include plaques and tangles linked to Alzheimer disease, and brain lesions called infarcts, areas of dead tissue caused by a blockage of the blood supply, which can increase with age, often go undetected, and can lead to stroke."

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