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THE APOE ϵ 4 GENE AT THE CROSSROADS OF NEURODEGENERATION: DEFINING ITS ROLE IN PARKINSON'S DISEASE ONSET AND PROGRESSION — TOWARDS PRECISION NEUROLOGY



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Parkinson's disease (PD), the most prevalent movement disorder, remains a major global burden. While the Apolipoprotein E (APOE) gene is well known for its involvement in Alzheimer's disease and other neurodegenerative conditions, its role in PD has remained elusive, with conflicting evidence across studies.

This study explored the impact of the APOE ϵ 4 allele in Indonesian PD patients and complemented the findings with a global meta-analysis. Genetic analysis revealed that 2 out of 3 PD patients in the cohort carried the APOE ϵ 4 allele. A meta-analysis of 14 published studies (up to January 2025) confirmed a significantly earlier age of onset in ϵ 4 carriers (SMD = -0.16, 95% CI: -0.24 to -0.08, $p = 0.0001$). In contrast, no significant differences were observed in disease severity (Hoehn and Yahr stage) or cognitive performance (MMSE) between ϵ 4 carriers and non-carriers. These results suggest that APOE ϵ 4 functions as a genetic modifier, accelerating PD onset without markedly affecting clinical progression or cognition. Understanding its role may help identify high-risk individuals and contribute to the development of precision neurology approaches in PD care.

I look forward to sharing these insights and engaging in discussion with all of you.

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