

ADULT PB DISEASE (APBD)
ADULT POLYGLUCOSAN BODY DISEASE

What?
A genetic disease

Where?
Affects the nervous system: legs, bladder, brain, spinal cord


When?
Onset as early as age 35

Why?
Low activity of glycogen branching enzyme (gene GBE1)

How common?
One study shows a 1:34.5 carrier frequency rate in Ashkenazi Jews

Is APBD exclusively a Jewish disease?
No

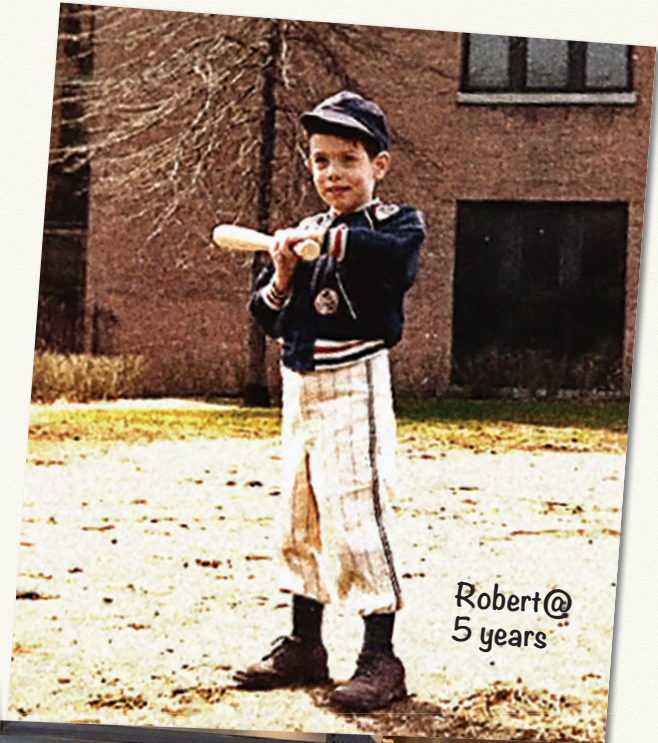
OFTEN CONFUSED WITH OTHER ILLNESSES SUCH AS:
MS, ALS, Alzheimer's, Peripheral Neuropathy, Prostate Cancer, Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH), Symmetric White Matter Disease, Spinal Stenosis



A SIMPLE BLOOD TEST CONFIRMS THE DIAGNOSIS

MEET ROBERT A TOP HOLLYWOOD PHOTOGRAPHER

“ In my late forties I began experiencing ataxia, drop foot, falling, edema, urinary incontinence and an active right hand tremor that made eating and serving food difficult or impossible. After seven years of every kind of test imaginable, I finally received the correct diagnosis at UCLA and became part of the APBD community. ”



WHAT ARE WE DOING TO FIGHT APBD?

RESEARCH AND THE REGISTRY

Our international team of researchers is moving us towards **clinical trials** that will identify treatments for and prevent the damaging effects of APBD. To facilitate these human trials, the APBD Research Foundation (APBDRF) in collaboration with Columbia University established the first APBD registry of people with APBD. The registry is privacy-protected by Institutional Review Board (IRB) protocols. There is also an option to enroll anonymously with your physician as your contact.

JOIN THE **APBD** PATIENT REGISTRY

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DO YOU SEE YOURSELF OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IN OUR STORIES?

> GET TESTED

> JOIN THE REGISTRY