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# Improving Patient Recovery



Reconnecting Neurons. Empowering for Life.

## **Clinical benefits for patients**

Treatment of neurological disorders with Cerebrolysin helps to increase the quality of life for patients. Its efficacy has been proven in 87 double-blind-studies and trials with more than 17.000 patients.

Stroke	<ul> <li>Early recovery<sup>7-10</sup></li> <li>Improvement of motor functions<sup>10,11</sup></li> <li>Regained independence<sup>7,8,10</sup></li> <li>Increased quality of life<sup>10</sup></li> <li>Improvement of cognitive functions<sup>8</sup></li> <li>Higher survival rate<sup>12</sup></li> </ul>		
Traumatic Brain Injury	<ul> <li>Effective treatment after TBI<sup>13-15</sup></li> <li>Saves lives<sup>13,16</sup></li> <li>Early recovery<sup>13-15</sup></li> <li>Better quality of life<sup>13,15</sup></li> <li>Improvement of memory and concentration<sup>14,15,17</sup></li> </ul>		
Neuro- cognitive Disorders	<ul> <li>Improvement of cognitive performance<sup>18-21</sup></li> <li>Higher quality of life<sup>18,20,21,23</sup></li> <li>Prolong active and independent life<sup>22,23</sup></li> <li>Prevention of behavioral disorders<sup>24,25</sup></li> </ul>		

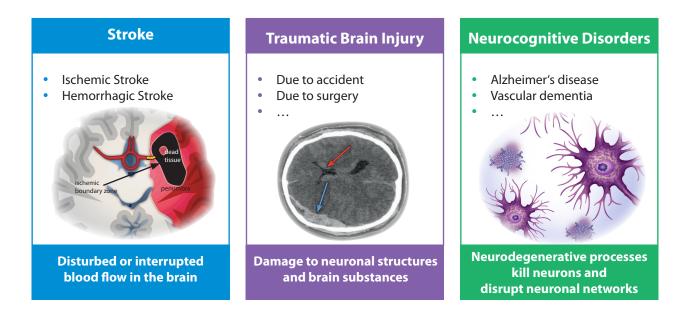
Cerebrolysin is safe and well tolerated.

### **Cerebrolysin product information**

Cerebrolysin is a neuropeptide preparation and manufactured in a sophisticated, fully controlled biotechnological process. It consists of amino acids and neuropeptides.

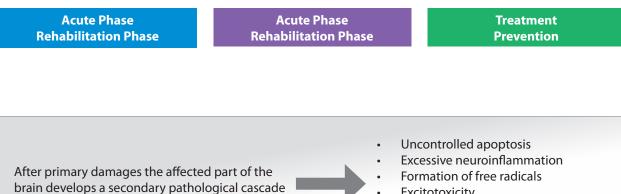
Administration				Route of administration
Disorder	Daily dosage	Initiation of treatment	Duration of treatment	
Acute Stroke	10 - 50 ml	Immediately after rt-PA or as soon as possible	Up to 21 days	<ul> <li>IV injection for 3 min: Up to 10 ml undiluted</li> <li>IV infusion for 15 - 60 min: 10 ml - 50 ml diluted to at least 100 ml total volume with: Saline, Ringer solution or 5% glucose solution</li> <li>5 ml dosage (undiluted) can be administered intramusculary</li> </ul>
Post-acute Stroke	10 - 50 ml	After acute Stroke	Up to 21 days	
Traumatic brain injury	10 - 50 ml	As soon as possible	Up to 30 days	
Vascular dementia	5 - 30 ml	As soon as possible	2-4 cycles per year 1 cycle: 5 days weekly/4 weeks	
Alzheimer's disease	5 - 30 ml	As soon as possible	2-4 cycles per year 1 cycle: 5 days weekly/4 weeks	

### **Therapeutic areas**



#### Pathophysiological challenges:

- Disruption of the brain's regulatory processes including those controlled by neurotrophic factors (NTFs) •
- Local deprivation of NTFs in the affected brain tissue



- Excitotoxicity
- Neuronal dysregulation
- Neurodegeneration

### **Neuroprotection with Cerebrolysin**

### **Reduction of apoptosis**

# Cerebrolysin reduces apoptosis by decreasing calpain and caspase-3 activity<sup>1</sup>

Cerebrolysin has been shown to inhibit calpain in vitro by about 60% (see figure 1)<sup>1</sup> and to decrease the number of neuronal progenitor cells expressing caspase-3 by a factor of  $2.5^2$ . These results confirm anti-apoptotic effects of Cerebrolysin.



# Cerebrolysin inhibits pro-inflammatory cytokines like IL-1ß and reduces microglial activation<sup>3</sup>

Recovery from brain damage should involve the normalization of the immune activation surrounding the lesion. Cerebrolysin exhibited to decrease the level of lipopolysacharide induced IL-1 $\beta$  release in a primary microglial cell culture model (see figure 2)<sup>3</sup>.

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Figure 2: Attenuation of inflammatory response in microglial cell culture model<sup>3</sup>

### Reduction of free radicals

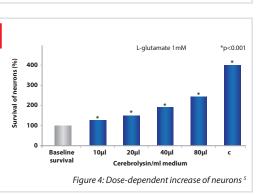
# Cerebrolysin significantly reduces the formation of free radicals<sup>4</sup>

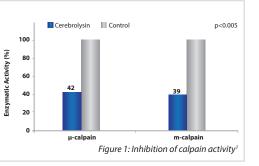
Free radicals are also involved in many pathological processes like Alzheimer's disease or ischemic cascades. Cerebrolysin demonstrated to significantly reduce the production of free radicals (2,3-DHBA and 2,5-DHBA) following experimentally induced ischemia in an in-vivo animal model (see figure 3)<sup>4</sup>.

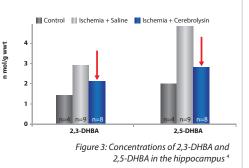
### **Protection against excitotoxicity**

# Cerebrolysin counters glutamate activity and inhibits neuronal excitotoxicity<sup>5</sup>

Excitotoxicity is a pathological process which damages or kills neuronal cells by overstimulated neuronal transmission (e.g. glutamate). Cerebrolysin has shown to prevent L-glutamate induced injury of cultured neurons (see figure 4)<sup>5</sup>.







### **Neurorecovery with Cerebrolysin**

### Neuroplasticity

# Cerebrolysin enhances neuroplasticity by modulating neuronal connectivity<sup>6</sup>

In a transgenic animal model of Alzheimer's disease exhibiting impaired synaptic plasticity, amyloid ß plaque deposition and neurodegeneration, Cerebrolysin significantly increased the number of new synapses in hippocampus (see figure 5 – the increasing signaling in image B). This effect was reflected in improved cognitive performance of animals treated with Cerebrolysin<sup>6</sup>.

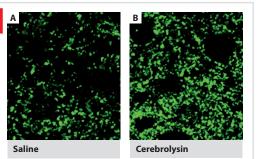


Figure 5: Visualization of immunofluorescent synaptic endings <sup>6</sup>

#### **Neurogenesis**

#### Cerebrolysin stimulates neurovascular reconstruction by promoting neurogenesis<sup>2</sup>

Cerebrolysin has been shown to enhance neurogenesis in the dentate gyrus in normal and transgenic animal models (see figure 6)<sup>2</sup>. This result is consistent with the mechanism of counteracting the effects of FGF-2 on neurogensis in vivo by both Cerebrolysin and Ciliary Neurotrophic Factor.

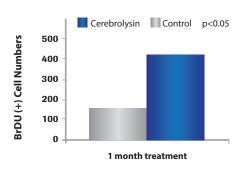






Figure 6: Stimulation of neurogenesis in subgranular zone of the dentate gyrus in a transgenic model of Alzheimer's disease<sup>2</sup>



**Cerebrolysin** is a multi-modal neuropeptide drug which improves the brain's ability for self-repair by stimulating neurorecovery



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