ABSTRACT

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ABSTRACT: The current presentation reviews studies of music as it relates to Alzheimer's disease (AD). Damage to the brain caused by AD and the loss of memory through that damage are discussed. Music has shown to evoke autobiographical memories in patients with AD, and a review of these studies sheds light on underused treatments and how they can be applied. Everyday life for these patients can also be enhanced through the use of music, which may even lead to the retention of new information for a short period of time. Implications of these findings are discussed as well as new directions for the future of those with AD.