



Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP)

CIDP is a rare neurological disorder defined by inflammation of nerve roots and peripheral nerves, and destruction of the fatty protective covering (myelin sheath) over the nerves.



Prevalence

CIDP affects an estimated 5 to 7 out of **100,000** individuals, which translates to about **450,000** people worldwide.



Symptoms

- Progressive weakness
- Impairment of motor and/or sensory function of limbs
- Numbness and tingling
- Loss of deep tendon reflexes
- Fatigue and pain



Diagnosis

No single test exists to screen for CIDP. Diagnosis is based on a combination of evaluations, which may include electromyography, best determined by a physician.



Treatments

- Steroids
- Plasma exchange
- Immunoglobulin therapy (intravenous or IVIg, or subcutaneous or SCIg)



465
plasma
donations

are on average
required to treat 1
person annually