Aicardi-Goutieres Syndrome

Aicardi-Goutieres Syndrome is a rare disorder that causes severe neurological problems, skin lesions and also affects the body’s immune system. Initial symptoms are similar to those of a viral infection from birth. Symptoms usually appear within the first six months of life. Within the first year those affected experience severe brain dysfunction symptoms lasting for several months. Aicardi-Goutieres Syndrome is severe and progressive. A number of patients have a later onset of disease, usually presenting between 6-12 months of age. Some may have a milder form.

**Synonyms**

Alternative names for this condition are:

- AGS
- Cree Encephalitis
- Encephalopathy with Basal Ganglia Calcification
- Encephalopathy with Intracranial Calcification and Chronic Lymphocytosis of Cerebrospinal Fluid
- Familial Infantile Encephalopathy with Intracranial Calcification and Chronic Cerebrospinal Fluid Lymphocytosis
- Pseudo-TORCH Syndrome
- Pseudotoxoplasmosis Syndrome

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