

Your Brain Against Alzheimer's

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### Sleep 8 Hours

During deep night sleep amlyoid production is turned down. In addition to less plaque forming, the brain cleans itself out.

#### ——— Handle Stress –

Take 10 minutes a day to meditate, take a walk, or do something else that relaxes you.

## nteract With Others

Loneliness causes stress that can lead to chemical changes in the brain that kills nerve cells. Speaking with people involves nerve activity that strengthens the brain.

## Exercise -

Walking 8,000-10,000 steps per day reduces pathology leading to Alzheimer's and helps grow new nerve cells.

#### Learn New Things \_\_\_\_\_

Learning something new strengthens the connections between nerve cells called synapses and provides cognitive reserve.

# – Diet –

Nothing is better for the brain than the Mediterranean diet. Eat less red meat and more fruits, nuts, and vegetables.