



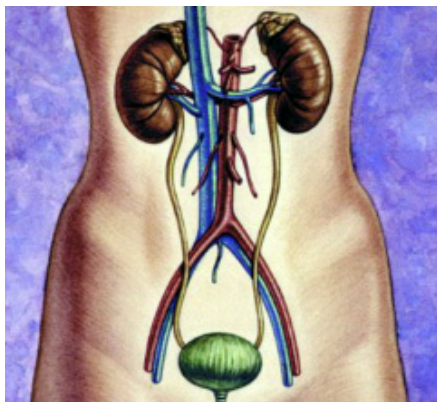
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BLADDER AND BOWEL SYMPTOMS IN PARKINSON'S DISEASE

An assessment was made of the prevalence of urinary and bowel symptoms, such as urinary incontinence and constipation in people with early Parkinson's Disease. Prevalent bladder symptoms (urinary incontinence and nighttime voiding) and bowel symptoms (constipation and fecal incontinence) were defined as occurring at least sometimes.



Constipation occurred three times more often in people with early Parkinson's Disease (in around 32% of people). Urinary incontinence occurred three times more often in people with early Parkinson's Disease (in around 26% of people). Prevalent nighttime urination was also high (in around 82% of people), but was little different in older people who did not have Parkinson's Disease. The likelihood of urinary incontinence and constipation were significantly higher in early Parkinson's Disease even after adjusting for age, sex, cognition, depression, and anxiety medication usage.

While constipation is known to precede the diagnosis of Parkinson's Disease, the results suggest that the occurrence of urinary incontinence is also elevated in early Parkinson's Disease.

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