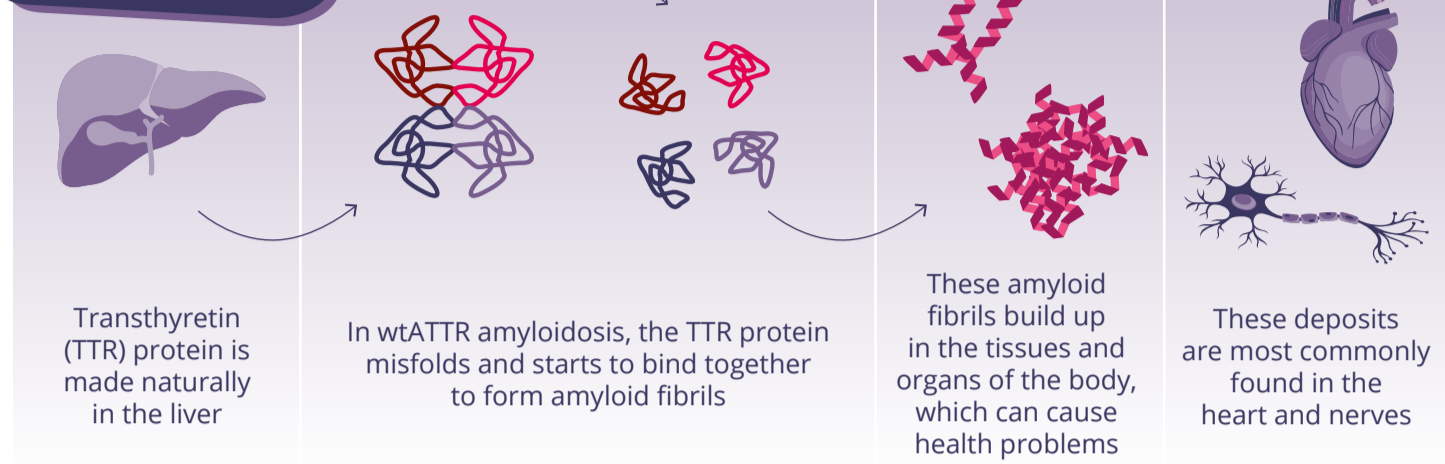


# Understanding Wild-type ATTR (wtATTR) Amyloidosis<sup>i</sup>

Wild-type ATTR (wtATTR) amyloidosis is one of the two main types of ATTR amyloidosis – the other being hereditary (hATTR) amyloidosis.

Unlike the hereditary form, wtATTR amyloidosis is not caused by a genetic mutation.

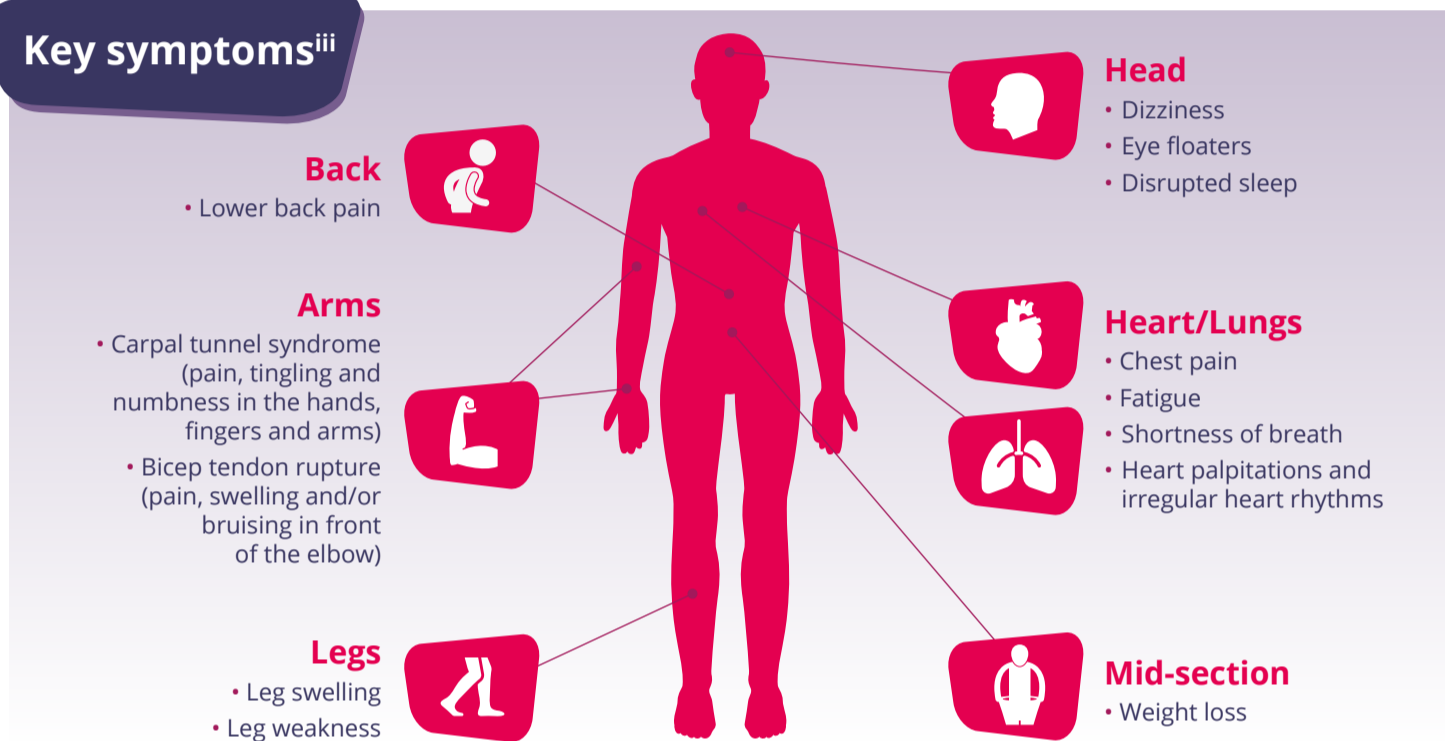
## What is wtATTR amyloidosis?<sup>ii</sup>



## Can I pass it on to my children?

No. As far as we know, unlike hereditary ATTR amyloidosis, there is no genetic link to wtATTR amyloidosis.

## Key symptoms<sup>iii</sup>



## Diagnosis

Symptoms often resemble other, more common conditions, so it can take a long time to be diagnosed.

Common tests include:

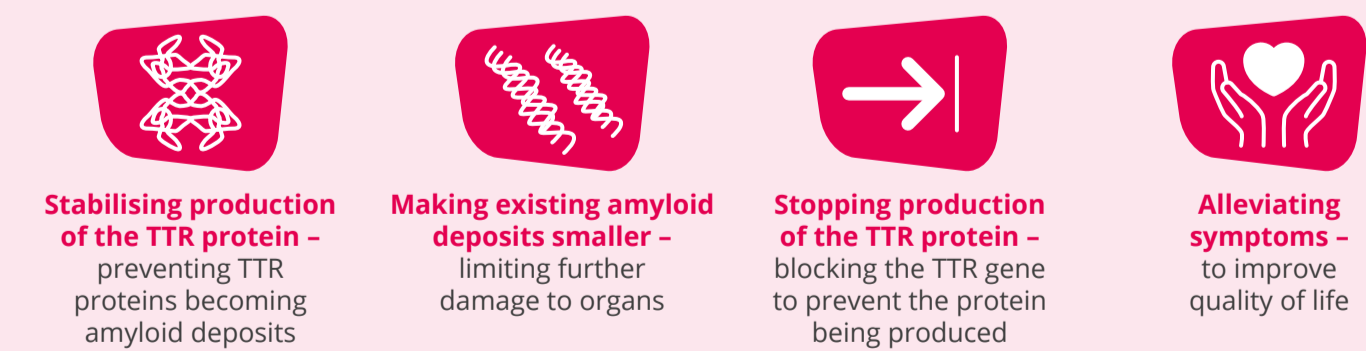


## More common than previously thought?

Diagnostic tests have greatly improved detection of amyloid in the heart, and this has led to belief that wtATTR amyloidosis may be far more common than previously thought. Cardiologists are gradually becoming more aware that ATTR amyloidosis may cause unexplained heart failure, but many patients remain undiagnosed.

## Treatment

- While positive advances have been made and new treatment options are emerging, there is not currently a cure for wtATTR amyloidosis.
- Treatment usually aims to slow or prevent production of the abnormal TTR proteins, and can include:<sup>i</sup>



## The National Amyloidosis Centre (NAC)

Patients with suspected or diagnosed ATTR amyloidosis should be assessed by a specialist unit. In the UK, the **NHS National Amyloidosis Centre (NAC)** at the Royal Free Hospital, London, will be where most people are referred to for specialist help.

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