

# UCI MIND and AlzOC present free online conference on Alzheimer's disease

Panel of experts from around the nation to give updates on what is the third leading cause of death in Orange County.



The impact of viral infections, such as COVID-19, on brain health is one of the topics to be covered by researchers during an upcoming free, virtual conference on Alzheimer's disease presented by UCI MIND and Alzheimer's Orange County. (Photo by Elaine Davis/Shutterstock.com)



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UCI MIND and Alzheimer's Orange County will host a free, virtual conference featuring experts discussing the latest developments in research around Alzheimer's disease, which is Orange County's third leading cause of death and afflicts [more than 84,000](#) residents.

The 32nd annual conference, "Alzheimer's From All Angles," will stream live on YouTube and Facebook on Sept. 10 from 8 a.m. to noon. One particularly timely topic will be what effect a viral disease like COVID-19 can have on brain health.

UCI MIND is the [Institute for Memory Impairments and Neurological Disorders](#) housed at UC Irvine, one the first of the nation's federally-funded Alzheimer's Disease Research Centers. UCI MIND Director Joshua Grill and Jim McAleer, who leads the nonprofit support organization [Alzheimer's Orange County](#) (AlzOC), will provide an overview on the state of dementia research and care.

Panelists will talk about a variety of topics, including: risk factors, genetic resilience, treatment advances, and diagnostics, including a presentation on blood tests for Alzheimer's disease. For more information or to register, go to [conference.mind.uci.edu/](https://conference.mind.uci.edu/).

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