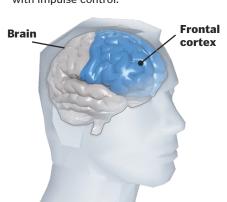
A LOOK INSIDE

The Center for the Study of Traumatic Encephalopathy at the Boston University School of Medicine is studying Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE), a brain abnormality that is believed to occur from years of repetitive head trauma. CTE leaves sufferers susceptible to memory impairment, emotional instability, erratic behavior and problems with impulse control.



Sections of

61-year-old control

patient

brain's frontal cortex stained for tau protein without magnification. The presence of tau protein is the precursor of CTF.

Microscopic views of the cortex showing many brownstaining neurons containing abnormal tau protein.





Tom McHale, a former : 73-year-old boxer Eagles lineman who died of a drug overdose at age 45





