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Lifelong estrogen exposure and memory in older postmenopausal women.

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*Our findings suggest an enduring **protective role of endogenous and exogenous estrogen on memory in older postmenopausal women** with normal to below average verbal memory performance on a screening test. They also support our contention that the neuroprotective benefits of a longer reproductive period might only be evident after a longer period of postmenopausal estrogen deprivation, which would help clarify why such an association was not previously found in younger postmenopausal women*