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The co-founder and former chief executive officer of Apple Inc. Steve Jobs has died yesterday at the age of 56, according to the company website. On August 24, Jobs

resigned from his post as CEO. He has been fighting pancreatic cancer since 2004.

Jobs, born in San Francisco on February 24, 1955, has built the most valuable technology company in the world, with a market value of \$348.8 billion. He started Apple in 1976, and in 1984 the first Macintosh personal computer was released to the public. One year later he was fired from the company and he founded NeXT. In 1986 he bought Pixar which was acquired by The Walt Disney Company in 2005. In 1996, following Apple Computer's purchase of NeXT, Jobs returned to Apple and soon after reassumed the role of CEO. In 1998 Apple introduced the iMac personal computer, in 2001 the iPod music player and the following year the Mac OS X operating system was released. 2007 was the year of the iPhone smartphone, then the iPad tablet computer in 2010. A statement on Apple's website, which is currently

displaying a black and white photograph and the text, "Steve Jobs 1955-2011" said, "Apple has lost a visionary and creative genius, and the world has lost an amazing human being. Those of us who have been fortunate enough to know and work with Steve have lost a dear friend and an inspiring mentor. Steve leaves behind a company that only he could have built, and his spirit will forever be the foundation of Apple."

U.S. president Barack Obama said "Steve was among the greatest of American innovators — brave enough to think differently, bold enough to believe he could change the world, and talented enough to do it".

Former Microsoft CEO Bill Gates responded to Jobs' death with a statement on his blog: "The world rarely sees someone who has had the profound impact Steve has had, the effects of which will be felt for many generations to come. ... I will miss Steve

immensely." The current Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer also expressed condolences for Jobs and described him as "one of the founders of our industry and a true visionary".

South African parliament questioned over media policy

Parliamentary media policy in South Africa will be subject to legal advice after complaints journalists have a lack of freedom in reporting government proceedings.

The move follows a call to ban journalist Deon de Lange from reporting on parliament, after he allegedly breached reporting protocol by speaking to a parliament official without permission.

De Lange quoted the unnamed official who criticised a push to pass the Protection of State Information Bill, which would ban whistle-blowing on classified documents.

The editor of Independent Newspapers, de Lange's employer, has stated he was unaware of the parliamentary media rule.

Other media groups, including the National Press Club and the Cape Town Press Club believe the move to ban De Lange is "ridiculous" according to Eye Witness News, also

saying they were unaware of the rule.

Both clubs have condemned the move. No issues were raised regarding journalists quoting parliamentarians previously. The parliamentary media policy was reviewed in 2009 unbeknown to many press outlets.

Opposition parliamentary leader Atholl Trollip believes the move is being used to further gag the media from reporting on parliament, however parliamentary spokesman Luzuko Jacobs has stated that officials need to remain neutral in their stance on issues. "It is unethical, unacceptable and we can't have officials expressing a negative or a positive comment," he said.

Jacobs has refuted the claims South African media is being refused reporting rights; the government does not intend to make it impossible for journalists to speak with members of parliament through the media policy, he says.

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Berk also touched upon speed of diagnosis and

treatment; "Early interventions can potentially improve the outcome" of bipolar sufferers, he told his audience. MDF The Bipolar Organisation claim an average of ten years is possible before a person is diagnosed. "This clearly is an issue, if we believe that earlier diagnosis and treatment facilitate better outcomes," Berk told Wikinews. Though he questions the effectiveness of currently-used drugs on advanced bipolar cases, he does not go so far as to say drugs are actively harmful. He told us "it appears that our best treatments work best earlier in the illness course; and that seems to apply to psychotherapy and pharmacotherapy."

Berk has already performed research using statins which suggests they can form a treatment. He now seeks funding for research involving aspirin. On funding, he tells Wikinews "psychiatric disorders comprise between 16% and 22% of the burden of disability (depending on who measures it), attracts[sic] just over 6% of the clinical budget at least in Australia and 3% of the research budget. Research as a discretionary spending item is at great risk."

Berk's research, in the past, has been funded by companies including GlaxoSmithKline. Hudson told Wikinews this did not concern her charity; in fact, they welcomed it. "We believe it is important pharmaceutical companies continue to invest in the development of new medications for bipolar. This is how it works in all other health specialities and mental health should be no different."

"There is a need for greater education for mental health professionals and GPs [general practitioners] about bipolar [in the UK]," she told us. "As the national bipolar charity we receive many, many calls and requests from GPs and other health professionals for our leaflets and information sheets which is fantastic. We very much welcome opportunities to work together for the benefit of individuals affected by bipolar."

Wikinews contacted the UK's National Institute for Clinical Excellence (NICE) to discuss issues raised in this article, including future treatments, genetic screening, and mortality rates. NICE did not respond.

Might statins and/or aspirin improve treatment - might

they be cheaper, perhaps, or safer? "This is an area of research promise," says Berk, "however it is too early to make any clinical treatment claims; [all] we can say is that this needs to be studied in properly designed trials capable of giving a more definitive answer." And what of possible explanations for the increased mortality rate observed in England? Should researchers look at whether bipolar influences more than just the brain, or if it is linked to other genetic conditions?

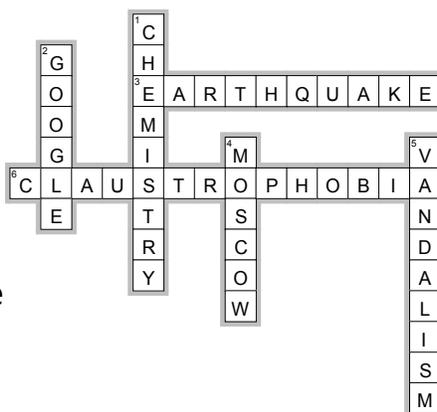
"For sure," he told us. "There is new evidence that similar pathways contribute to the risk for both medical and psychiatric illness, both in terms of lifestyle factors, and biomarkers of risk."

- 3. **EARTHQUAKE**—a sudden release of energy in the Earth's crust
- 6. **CLAUSTROPHOBIA**—the fear of enclosed spaces

Down

- 1. **CHEMISTRY**—the science of matter
- 2. **GOOGLE**—a search engine
- 4. **MOSCOW**—the cpital of the Russian Federation
- 5. **VANDALISM**—Defacement, graffiti

Puzzle of the day answers



EclipseCrossword.com

Across

<p>On this day 6 October</p> <p>1879 - War of the Pacific: the Chilean Navy defeats the Peruvian Navy in the Battle of Angamos, Peruvian Admiral Miguel Grau is killed in the encounter.</p> <p>1895 - Eulmi incident-Queen Min of Joseon, the last empress of Korea, is assassinated and her corpse burnt by the Japanese in Gyeongbok Palace.</p> <p>1904 - Edmonton, Alberta was incorporated as a city.</p> <p>1904 - Prince Albert, Saskatchewan was incorporated as a city.</p> <p>1912 - First Balkan War begins: Montenegro declares war against Turkey.</p> <p>1918 - World War I: In the Argonne Forest in France, United States Corporal Alvin C. York leads an attack that kills 25 German soldiers and captures 132.</p> <p>1921 - KDKA in Pittsburgh's Forbes Field conducts the first live broadcast of a football game.</p> <p>1928 - Joseph Szigeti gives the first performance of Alfredo Casella's Violin Concerto.</p>	<p>1932 - The Indian Air Force is established.</p> <p>1939 - World War II: Germany annexes Western Poland.</p> <p>1941 - World War II: In their invasion of the Soviet Union, Germany reaches the Sea of Azov with the capture of Mariupol.</p> <p>1944 - World War II: The Battle of Crucifix Hill occurs on Crucifix Hill just outside Aachen. Capt. Bobbie Brown receives a Medal of Honor for his heroics in this battle.</p> <p>1952 - The Harrow and Wealdstone rail crash kills 112 people.</p> <p>1956 - New York Yankees's Don Larsen pitched the only perfect game in a World Series; one of only 20 perfect games in MLB history.</p> <p>1962 - Spiegel scandal: Der Spiegel publishes the article "Bedingt abwehrbereit" ("Conditionally prepared for defense") about a NATO manoeuver called "Fallex 62", which uncovered the sorry state of the Bundeswehr (Germany's army) facing the communist threat from the east at the time. The magazine is soon accused of treason.</p> <p>1962 - Algeria joins the United Nations.</p> <p>1967 - Guerrilla leader Che Guevara and his men</p>	<p>are captured in Bolivia.</p> <p>1968 - Vietnam War: Operation Sealords - United States and South Vietnamese forces launch a new operation in the Mekong Delta.</p> <p>1969 - The opening rally of the Days of Rage occurs, organized by the Weather Underground in Chicago, Illinois.</p> <p>1970 - Vietnam War: In Paris, a Communist delegation rejects US President Richard Nixon's October 7 peace proposal as "a maneuver to deceive world opinion".</p> <p>1973 - Yom Kippur War: Gabi Amir's armored brigade attacks Egyptian occupied positions on the Israeli side of the Suez Canal, in hope of driving them away. The attack fails, and over 150 Israeli tanks are destroyed.</p> <p>1973 - Greek military junta of 1967-1974: Junta strongman George Papadopoulos appoints Spyros Markezinis as Prime Minister of Greece with the task to lead Greece to parliamentary rule.</p> <p>1974 - Franklin National Bank collapses due to fraud and mismanagement; at the time it is the largest bank failure in the history of the United States.</p> <p>1978 - Australia's Ken Warby sets the current</p>
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world water speed record of 317.60mph at Blowering Dam, Australia. 1982 - Poland bans Solidarity and all trade unions. 1990 - Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: In Jerusalem, Israeli police kill 17 Palestinians and wound over 100 near the Dome of the Rock mosque on the Temple Mount. 1991 - Croatia votes to sever constitutional relations with Yugoslavia, making the country fully independent. 1998 - Oslo's Gardermoen airport opens after the close down of Fornebu airport. 2001 - A twin engine Cessna and Scandinavian Airlines System (SAS) jetliner collide in heavy fog during takeoff from Milan, Italy killing 118. 2001 - U.S. President George W. Bush announces the establishment of the Office of Homeland Security. 2005 - 2005 Kashmir earthquake: Thousands of people are killed by a magnitude 7.6 earthquake in parts of Pakistan, India and Afghanistan

Quote of the day

One may think there is a gate to go through and look a long time for it without finding it One may find it and it may not open If it opens one may be through it As one goes through it one sees that the gate one went through was the self that went through it no one went through a gate there was no gate to go through no one ever found a gate no one ever realized there was never a gate ~ Ronald David Laing ~

Word of the day

immure v
To cloister, confine, imprison: to lock up behind walls.
To put or bury (for example, the remains of a person) within a wall.

Commons Picture of the Day



A Great Blue Heron flying with nesting material in Illinois, USA. There is a colony of about 20 heron nests in trees nearby.

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