

outsmarting

Alzheimer's

Rutgers-Newark
neuroscientists have
devised a way
to predict who is most
at risk for
the disease—long
before it strikes.

By Tom Ewing

Alzheimer's disease is a thief. It steals lives from those who fall victim to it, as well from those closest to them. Nor is it selective; those who have lived a life of the mind are far from immune. In the 1999 memoir, *Elegy for Iris*, John Bayley lovingly recounts the life he shared with his wife, Iris Murdoch, the highly esteemed British novelist who taught philosophy at Oxford. Alzheimer's, Bayley writes, erased her entire past. "She does not know she has written 26 remarkable novels, as well as her books on philosophy; received honorary doctorates from major universities; become a Dame of the British Empire."



You have to
that
for the patient

