An essay on the shaking palsy

We could pose the hypothetical question as to what would have happened if instead of the “Essay on the shaking palsy” Shy-Drager Syndrome or Richardson’s Syndrome had first been published. Most probably, these diseases would not have been classified as atypical Parkinson syndromes, but rather as independent diseases. The question is completely justified as to why CBD, PSP, and MSA are viewed as atypical Parkinson syndromes, although tauopathies only have but a limited common intersection with the synucleinopathies. This may well be due to the fact that these disease occur so infrequently.