



THE BERLIN PATIENT

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SYNOPSIS

For years, researchers believed that a cure for AIDS was impossible. But that all changed four years ago when an American, Timothy Ray Brown, became the first patient in the world to be cured of HIV for ever at the Berlin Charité hospital. Internist Gero Hütter succeeded in curing his patient of both HIV and leukaemia, using stem cell treatment. Since then, it appears that victory over the frequently fatal infection is possible in the near future. This documentary tells the story of the sensational treatment and takes the viewer on a journey through the various laboratories that are working around the clock on HIV research. Using complex animations, we present the three, currently most promising research approaches.

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