

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN NEUROMODULATION

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Introduction

- Psychiatric disorders inadequately defined.
- Treatments (medications/therapy) limited.
- Several approved devices
- Direct access to the brain informs psychiatry.
- Surgical interventions exist for severe psychiatric disorders.



Introduction

- Neuromodulation (interventional psychiatry) is an emerging subspecialty utilizing non-pharmacological, somatic therapies.
- It shares aspects of functional neurosurgery in that both target physiology where there may be normal anatomy.
- Great potential exists for interventional and functional treatments for neuropsychiatric disorders.



History

Trepanation (9500 BC):



The Stone Cutting, Hieronymus Bosch



Psychosurgery

António Egas Moniz (1874-1955)
considered the founder of modern psy



FDA Approved

1976: Electroconvulsive therapy (ECT)
 2005: Vagus nerve stimulation (VNS)
 2008: Transcranial magnetic stimulation (rTMS)
 2009: Deep brain stimulation (DBS)
 2013: Deep TMS (dTMS)

Future: Synchronized TMS (sTMS), theta-burst TMS, magnetic seizure therapy (MST), responsive neurostimulation (RNS), radiosurgery, focused ultrasound, thermal ablation, etc.



Electroconvulsive Therapy



Electroconvulsive Therapy

FDA indications:

1. Major depressive disorder (esp. geriatric depression)
2. Bipolar disorder (manic, mixed, and depressed episodes)
3. Schizophrenia and schizoaffective disorder
4. Catatonia

May be useful for:

1. Neuroleptic malignant syndrome
2. Status epilepticus
3. Parkinson's disease
4. Severe autistic disorder



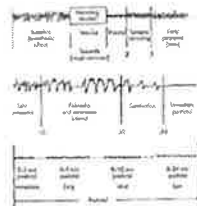
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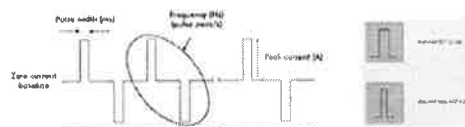
Electrode placement:

Right unilateral
 Bilateral
 Bitemporal



Electroconvulsive Therapy

AC current waveform:



Electroconvulsive Therapy

Mechanism of action:

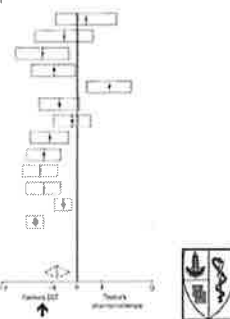
- Unknown how ECT exerts a therapeutic effect.
- Acutely changes monoaminergic, glutamatergic, and GABAergic neurotransmitter function in addition to altering parasympathetic and sympathetic nervous system tone.
- May alter neuronal connectivity and restore corticothalamic rhythms.
- Antidepressant effect may be mediated by increased BDNF.



ECT vs. Antidepressants

Trial*	Number of participants	Standardized mean difference (95% CI)
Blanco 1979 ²⁴	52	0.345 (-0.490 to 1.179)
Wolkstein 1987 ²⁵	82	-0.143 (-0.463 to 0.177)
Thompson 1992 ²⁶	59	-1.288 (-2.448 to -0.128)
Mohrman 1994 ²⁷	237	-0.939 (-1.311 to -0.567)
Thompson 1995 ²⁸	30	1.247 (0.476 to 2.018)
New Research 1995 ²⁹	77	-0.718 (-1.492 to -0.045)
Chen 1996 ³⁰	88	-0.189 (-0.408 to 0.030)
Jonsson et al 1999 ³¹	50	-0.435 (-0.873 to 0.002)
Lehmann 1999 ³²	46	1.333 (0.402 to 2.264)
Thompson 1999 ³³	83	-0.487 (-0.749 to -0.225)
Hartman 1999 ³⁴	49	-2.942 (-3.647 to -2.236)
Medical Research Council 1999 ³⁵	204	-0.948 (-1.463 to -0.433)
Greenwood 1999 ³⁶	242	1.869 (0.422 to 3.316)
Pooled* acute effects	18,291	0.075 (-0.246 to 0.396)
Pooled* remission effects	18,291	-0.802 (-1.268 to -0.336)

UK ECT Review Group, Lancet, 2003



Neurostimulation Therapies

Non-Surgical

Therapy	Level of Treatment Resistance	Response*		Remission*		Considerations
		Acute	Long-term	Acute	Long-term	
ECT ³⁷	Failure of 2+ treatments with/without resistance to adequate trials of 2+ ADs and/or CBT	50-60% (1+ AD follow-up) 60% (resistant to 2+ adequate AD therapies/CBT)	40-50%	64.2%	46.1%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + 13.1% chance seizure + Safe procedure, low mortality rate + Frequently reported side-effects + Added to severe cognitive side-effects + Superior efficacy relative to sham and to pharmacotherapies during acute phase (when delivered 3x/week) + Combination efficacy does not increase therapeutic effects

*Response and remission rates are listed for active stimulation group vs. sham control

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Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT)

ECT- Delivery of electrical current to brain to induce seizure			
Indication	Major depressive episode (with/without suicidal ideation) or acute relapse of 2+ previous episodes, including combination of acute and relapse therapy		
Method	ELECTRODE PLACEMENT <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bilateral - Infratemporal• Bilateral - Interparietal• Unilateral - Infratemporal - right side (RUL)	SEIZURE FREQUENCY <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Brief pulse• Ultra brief pulse	
Parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Current (500 – 800 mA)• Frequency (20 – 130 Hz)• Pulse width (0.25 – 2 ms)• Duration (0.5 – 8+ seconds)		
Seizure Threshold	Minimum charge to induce seizure above motor threshold (MT)	BILATERAL 1.5 – 2.5 x MT	RUL 0.8 x MT
Session Frequency	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acute episode 2 – 3 x per week• Maintenance 1 every 1 – 2 weeks		
Efficacy	RESPONSE <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Response rates to 80% - 100% range• When induction relapse to dose in inadequate dose or duration of antidepressant trial <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Response rates to 50 – 60% range• When dosing at 1+ treatment failures	REMSSION <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 64.2% (Acute)• 46.1% (Long-term)	RELAPSE <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 37.1%
Safety Profile	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safe procedure, low mortality rates• Cognitive side-effects (well tolerated)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Anxious/patient memory deficits, acute confusional states, retrograde and anterograde amnesia, verbal and word finding impairments• Short-term side-effects (frequently reported)<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Headache, nausea, muscle pain, transient myalgia, and sore throat, dental injury		

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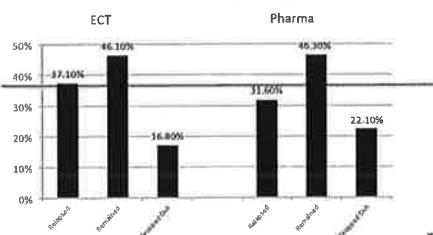
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CORE Study

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Percent of patients remitted after acute ECT and 6 Months of maintenance ECT or Pharma therapy



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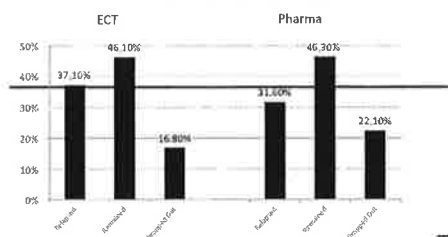
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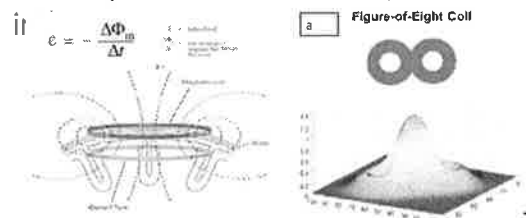


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Kahn et al. Continuation/Extension Therapy for Acute ECT
Relapse Prevention in Major Depression. Arch Gen Psychiatry. 2004; 61: 212-218

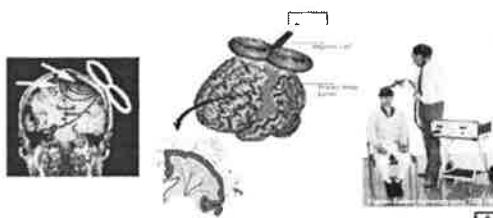
Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation

Faraday's law of electromagnetic



Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation

Anthony Barker (1950-) developed TMS in 1985 to study the motor cortex.



Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation

Figure 8 coil:

H coil:



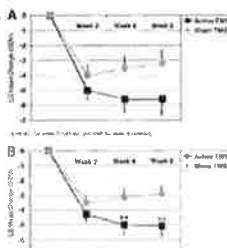
rTMS for Depression

NeuroStar rTMS sys

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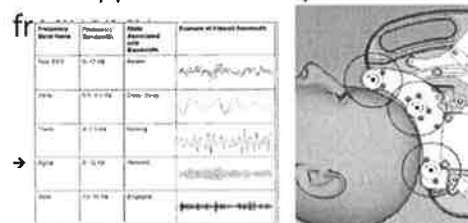
FDA approved for treatment of major depression after one failed trial of an antidepressant.



O'Reardon et al., Biological Psychiatry, 2007

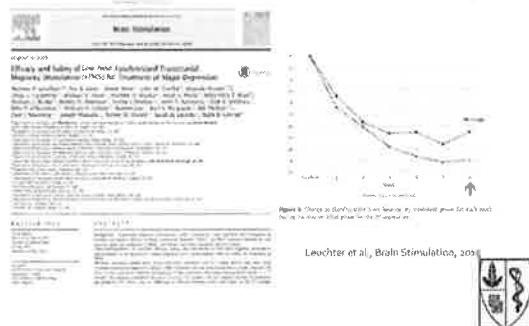
Synchronized TMS

TMS applied at a unique EEG



Leuchter et al., Brain Stimulation, 2015

sTMS for Depression



Brainsway Deep TMS Coil

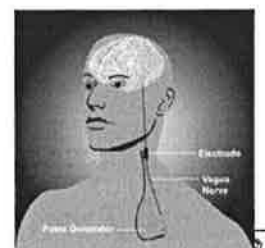


Deep TMS

- Uses H1
- Penetrates 5-6 cm vs 1-2 cm for standard TMS
- Approved by FDA in 2013 for MDD who failed any number of medication trials.
- Multicenter sham controlled trial (22 centers, N=230)

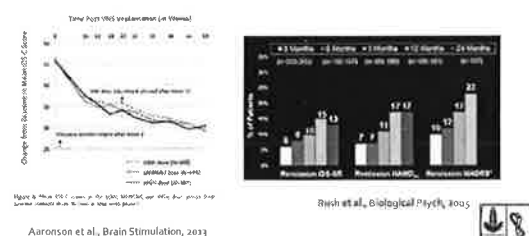
Vagus Nerve Stimulation

- Applied to the left vagus nerve to treat epilepsy (1997).
- Antidepressant effect observed in epilepsy patients (including those without an anticonvulsant effect).
- Antidepressant actions mediated via stimulation of left afferent nerve fibers leading to activation of monoaminergic cell bodies.
- Associated with few side effects (hoarse voice, cough, etc).

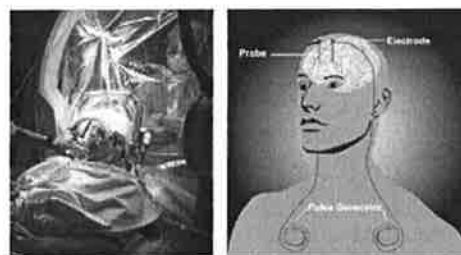


Vagus Nerve Stimulation

VNS is FDA approved and effective for treatment-resistant depression:

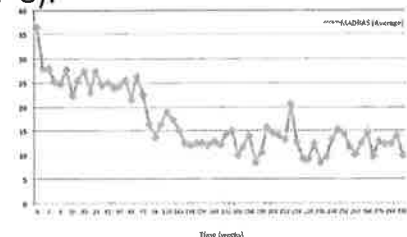


Deep Brain Stimulation

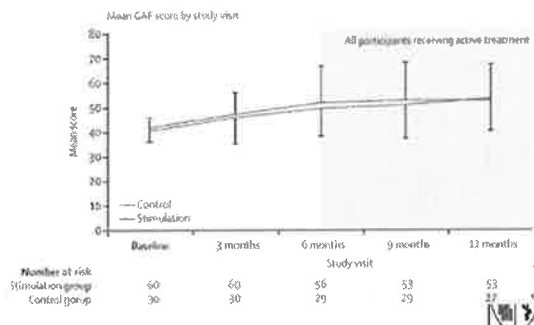


DBS for Depression

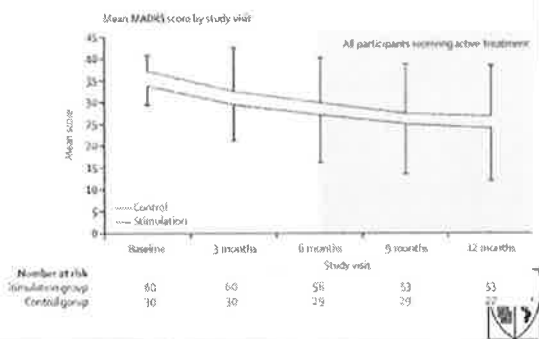
Open-label DBS (VC/VIS) for >6 years (n=8):



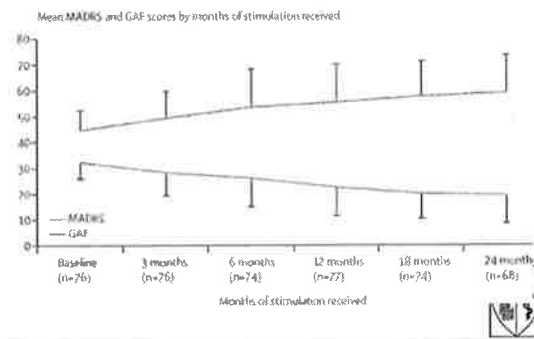
Broaden Study



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The Future

Mapping the "Depression Switch" During Intraoperative Testing of Subcallosal Cingulate Deep Brain Stimulation

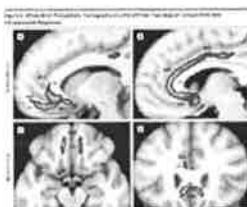
Background: The Broaden study was a randomized, controlled trial of subcallosal cingulate deep brain stimulation (DBS) for treatment-resistant depression. The study found that DBS was superior to sham treatment in reducing depression symptoms. The study also found that DBS was associated with changes in brain connectivity, which may be related to the "depression switch" hypothesis.

Objective: The objective of this study was to map the "depression switch" during intraoperative testing of subcallosal cingulate DBS. The study aimed to identify the specific brain regions and connectivity changes that are associated with the "depression switch" during DBS testing.

Methods: The study used functional MRI (fMRI) and diffusion tensor imaging (DTI) to map brain connectivity during DBS testing. The study also used a standardized rating scale to assess depression symptoms during DBS testing.

Results: The study found that DBS testing was associated with changes in brain connectivity, which were related to the "depression switch" hypothesis. The study also found that DBS testing was associated with a reduction in depression symptoms.

Conclusion: The study found that DBS testing was associated with changes in brain connectivity, which were related to the "depression switch" hypothesis. The study also found that DBS testing was associated with a reduction in depression symptoms.



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Closed-loop Responsive Neurostimulation



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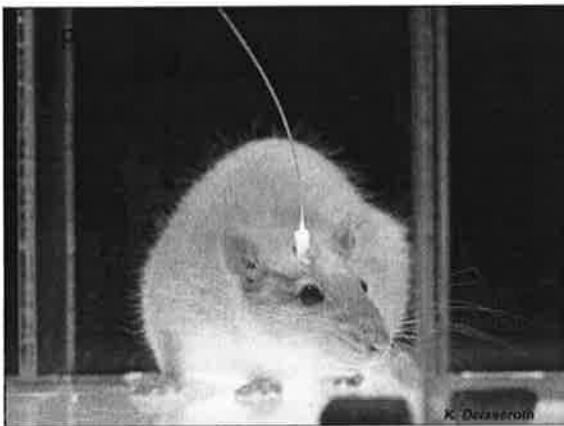
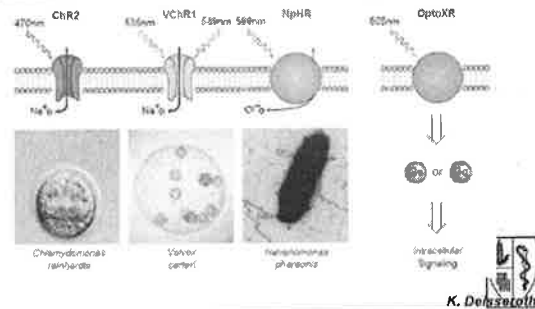
The developing field of Neuromodulation and Interventional Psychiatry provides opportunities to:

- Directly study human brain-behavior physiology.
- Better define the neurophysiology and functional anatomy of

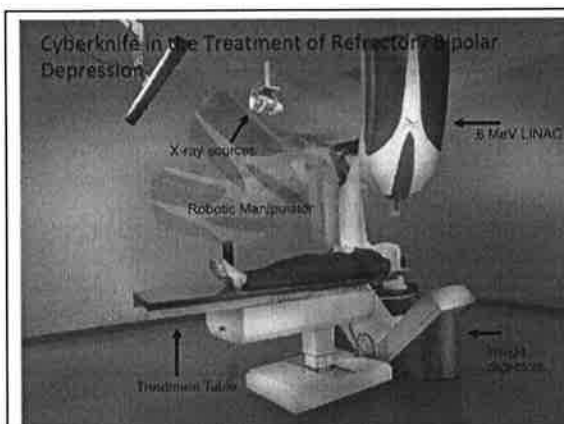
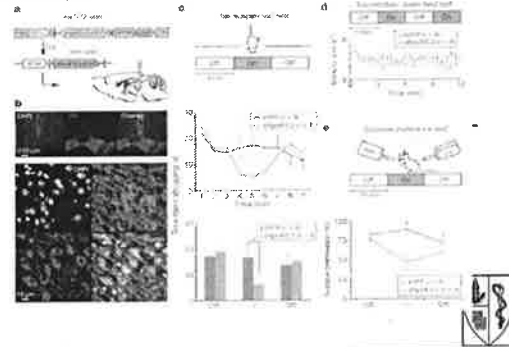


Optogenetics

In 1979, Francis Crick delineated the major challenges facing neuroscience and called for a technology by which all neurons of just one type could be controlled, "leaving the others more or less unaltered". Crick, F. H. C. (1979). *Thinking about the brain*. Scientific American, September, 219-32.



Inhibition of VTA DA neurons induces depressive phenotype



Neuromodulation vs. Ablation

- Cyberknife can decrease firing of specific clusters of neurons
- Evidence of synaptic pruning with low dose radiation (50 rads)
- Has been used in non-ablative treatment of neuropathy



The Future

DIY Neuromodulation

At-home brain stimulation gaining followers



Conclusions

- Neuromodulation is playing a growing role in the treatment of depression
- ECT, TMS are standard treatments
- Our understanding of mood related circuits is slowly increasing
- New technologies may allow noninvasive, precise targeting



Thank you!



ATTACHMENT D

CME SUPPLEMENTAL FORM FOR INDIVIDUAL PRESENTATIONS

Presenter(s): Charles Debattista, MD

Title of Presentation: *Neuromodulation in the Treatment of Resistant Depression*

Date and time of presentation: Saturday, March 24, 2018 – 4:00-4:50pm

Objectives are needed to define the intended outcome and goals of the presentations given. After reviewing the objectives the prospective learner should be able to answer some of these questions: What knowledge will I gain? What skills will I acquire? What attitudes will the program change? What practice outcomes can be expected?

List specific educational objectives for this session:

Review the history of Neuromodulation in Psychiatry

Learn about the current utility and limitations of ECT, VNS, TMS and DBS

Learn about emerging Neuromodulation technologies

Do you anticipate any change in the physician's practice? Please explain:

Clinicians may better understand when to refer a patient for a neuromodulation procedure.

What teaching methodologies will be used? (e.g., lecture, workshop, panel, etc)

Lecture

Content of the session: **Provide an abstract** or outline of **key points to be made**