

## Objective:

To describe a deep brain stimulation (DBS) registry proposal for the purpose of improving DBS therapy and outcomes for Parkinson's disease (PD) patients.

## Background:

- Considerable evidence favors DBS over continued best medical management when bothersome motor complications are present in PD
- Variability in outcomes are not well understood, best practices are not well-defined, and prospective, long-term health economics data and comparisons of treatment techniques are lacking.
- Randomized trials are impractical to investigate these questions.

RAD-PD was conceptualized with the following goals (Fig. 1):

- Identify the best practices surrounding DBS therapy
  - Patient selection
  - Operative factors
  - Post-operative management
- Identify the adverse effects (and determinants) of DBS therapy
  - Surgical/peri-op
  - Long-term device-related
  - Falls
  - Hospitalizations
  - Death
- Identify the health economics and disparities related to DBS therapy
  - Motor outcomes
  - Non-motor outcomes
  - Treatment costs
  - QALY/ICER



Fig. 1: Goals of RAD-PD

## Methods:

- As a survey of potential clinical sites (members of the Functional Neurosurgical Working Group) investigated which clinical data are routinely captured (Table 1)
- With contribution from multiple stakeholder groups, a RAD-PD proposal was developed as a quality improvement effort (Table 2)
- Proposed infrastructure is described in Table 3
- A large and heterogeneous PD cohort undergoing DBS will be prospectively and comprehensively characterized using a standard assessment battery and image analysis.

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## Results

Table 1. Survey results (Number of responding sites = 25)

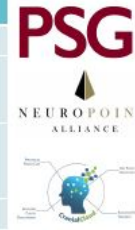
Most commonly assessed PD scales	Completed by <50%	Not assessed by any sites
MDS-UPDRS III	96%	Operative risk
MDS-UPDRS I, II, IV	70-77%	Impulse control disorders
Hoehn & Yahr Staging	91%	Patient satisfaction
MoCA	85%	
PDQ-39	88%	

Table 2. Quality Improvement (QI) Registry Design

Must include	Does not include	Can support research functions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clearly defined quality measures</li> <li>Specific data elements to calculate these measures</li> <li>Continuous data collection</li> <li>Sharing performance on quality measures with participants</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clearly defined sample size</li> <li>Clearly defined endpoint</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Secondary analyses</li> <li>Linkage to other datasets (e.g., Medicare)</li> <li>Some sites participate in "sub-studies" with additional data collection</li> <li>Access to a de-identified dataset to answer additional research questions</li> </ul>

Table 3. Proposed Registry Infrastructure

Parkinson Study Group of FNSWG	Neuroimaging/ClinicalCloud	NeuroPoint Alliance	Michael J. Fox Foundation	Clinical Sites
Steering Committee	Data accessibility and storage	Regulatory management	Patient recruitment	Patient recruitment and retention
Centering investigators/sites	Standardized image processing and analysis	Registry site management (contracting, onboarding, support, clinical coordination, consent)	Collaboration with Parkinson's disease research centers - data collaboration, standardization, merging datasets	Administer assessments and updates data
Site selection	Site technical support	Data management (database, quality assurance, data analysis/reporting) (also coordinating consent)	Potential recruitment to NeuroPoint	
Conflict of interest reporting	(Individual site customization)	Ongoing funding	Initial funding	
Annual investigator meeting		Site reimbursement and distribution		
Scientific Review Committee / DUAC		Scientific Review Committee / DUAC		



## Registry Design

- A comprehensive set of data elements (Table 4) was devised to be systematically captured and benchmarked for analysis in RAD-PD. The majority are patient reported outcomes.
- Dashboarding to participating sites will enable them to consider implementing changes in therapeutic strategies to improve the quality of DBS care and outcomes for PD patients.
- Clinician-measured and patient-reported outcomes and imaging will be gathered from over 1,000 participants at up to 40 clinical sites (Table 5) across 5 years of DBS therapy (Fig. 2).

Table 4. Proposed data elements for RAD-PD

Demographic/Social	PD history / medical and surgical interventions	Motor function	Non-motor symptoms	QoL / Health economics	Adverse effects
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patient demographics</li> <li>Key past medical history</li> <li>Key social history</li> <li>Modified Hoehn &amp; Yahr</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Duration of PD</li> <li>Age at surgery</li> <li>PD meds</li> <li>Device info</li> <li>Surgical techniques</li> <li>OR time</li> <li>Hospital stay</li> <li>Readmission</li> <li>Stimulation parameters</li> <li>Electrode position</li> <li>DBS exchange</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MDS-UPDRS I, III, IV</li> <li>HSY</li> <li>NFOG questionnaire</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MDS-UPDRS II</li> <li>Hoehn &amp; Yahr</li> <li>BDI II</li> <li>GAD-7</li> <li>QUIP-RS</li> <li>NMES</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PDQ39</li> <li>EQDQ</li> <li>Neuro-QOL Ability</li> <li>Patient satisfaction</li> <li>Medication vs. commercial insurance</li> <li>PD-related IP or hospital admission</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Death or withdrawal</li> <li>Falls</li> <li>Suicide attempt</li> <li>Hospitalizations</li> <li>Device-related AEs</li> <li>Electrode revision</li> </ul>

Figure 2. Time points and patient reported outcomes

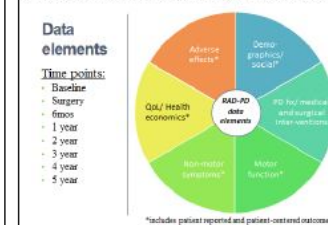


Table 5. Proposed Site Activity

Criteria	Proportion to RAD-PD	Total 40 sites	Goal is annual enrollment
Site 1	16-30 implants/yr	7.5%	20pts/site
Site 2	<13 implants/yr	2.5%	6 pts/site

**Conclusions:**

- RAD-PD is needed to prospectively capture standard and comprehensive assessments in a large PD cohort undergoing DBS
- With a QI design, the primary goal is improving DBS therapy and outcomes.
- Results will have broad applicability to a range of practice scenarios and patient characteristics.
- The infrastructure can be applied to other disease states where DBS is a viable treatment strategy.