# Image-guided DBS Programming with Guide™ XT

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## **Clinical Background**

Deep brain stimulation (DBS) is an established treatment option for various movement disorders. In DBS programming, monopolar review, or clinical-based programming (CBP), is currently considered the gold standard. This however requires high levels of expertise and is very complex and time-consuming. Recent technological advances such as directional DBS leads have further increased its complexity. Image-guided programming (IGP) is a promising approach to streamline this process. It leverages patient-specific neuroimaging of target structures, precise postoperative lead location and modeling of electrostatic field volumes.

## **Study Objective**

This study compared IGP using Guide™ XT with standard CBP in Parkinson's disease patients with subthalamic nucleus directional DBS. It evaluated programming time, motor symptom control, stimulation side effects and power consumption.

N = 10 patients, randomized controlled double blind crossover study

#### Results

- Average programming time was significantly reduced, with a mean of 19.78 ± 1.85 min for IGP and 45.20 ± 5.79 min for CBP (p = 0.039)
- Symptom control was comparable with a relative reduction in motor symptoms by 47.46 ± 4.24% with IGP and 48.94 ± 7.39% with CBP as assessed by the MDS-UPDRS III (MDS-sponsored revision of the Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale)
- Stimulation side effects as reflected by total UPDRS IV scores were comparable between IGP and CBP
- Power consumption of IGP and CBP stimulation settings was comparable

## **Summary**

- IGP using Guide<sup>™</sup> XT cut programming time by more than one half compared to the gold standard CBP
- IGP using Guide XT achieved comparable and stable motor symptom control in chronic DBS
- Stimulation side effects and power consumption were comparable between IGP using Guide™ XT and CBP
- Patient satisfaction was equally good in both approaches
- The know-how and training required for IGP using Guide™ XT are much lower than for CBP