# Parkinson's Disease and outpatient rehabilitation

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## Objectives

- Discuss clinical features of Parkinson's disease
- Discuss medical management of Parkinson's disease
- Discuss rehabilitation of Parkinson's disease

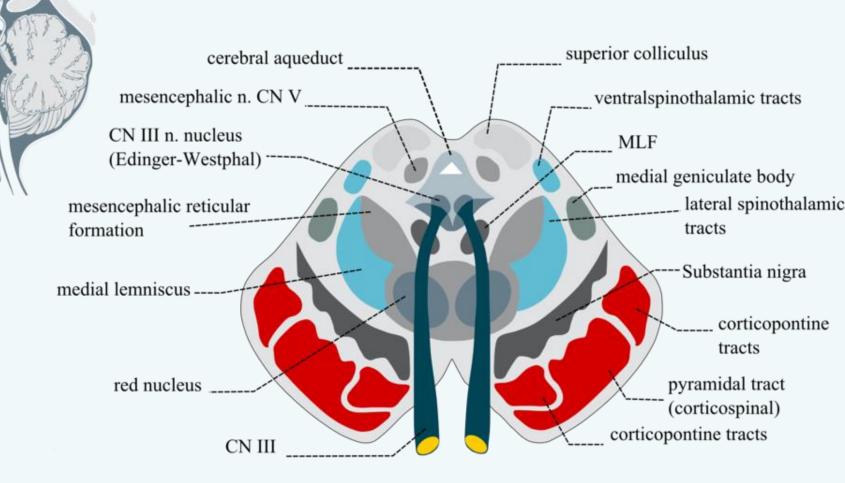
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- Medical management
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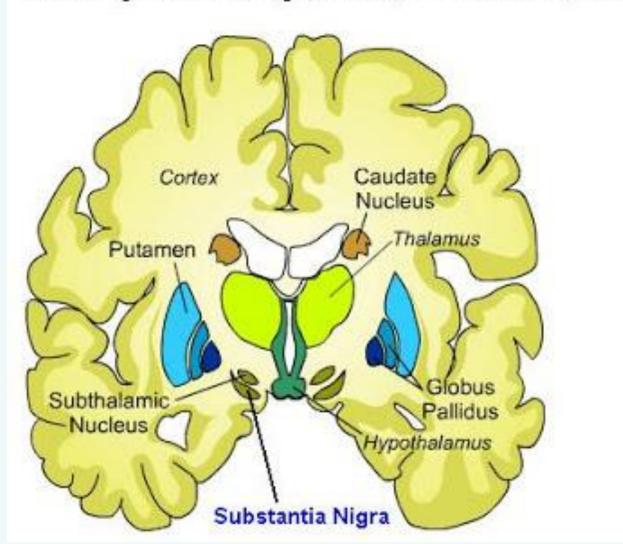
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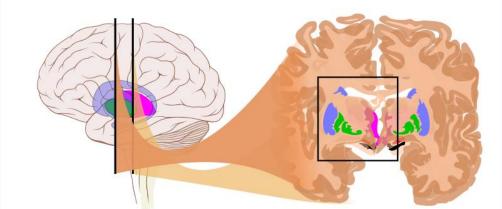
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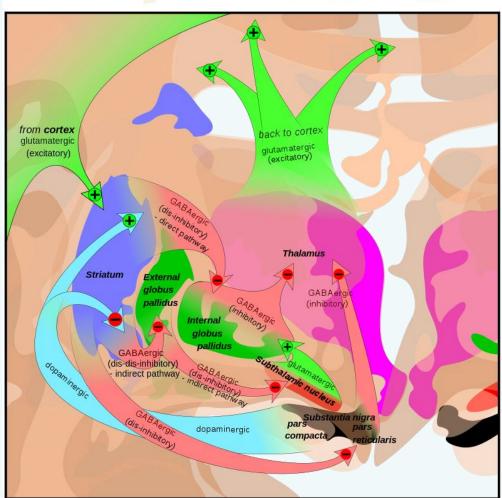
- Affects 1% of people over the age of 60
- Causes progressive disability
- 2 most common causes:
  - Loss of dopaminergic neurons in substantia nigra
  - Presence of Lewy bodies
- Environmental factors:
  - Pesticides, herbicides, wells
  - Caffeine protective?
- Mutations in 18 loci in various genes



Basal Ganglia: Substantia Nigra, Putamen, Caudate Nucleus, Globus Pallidus







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## Initial clinical symptoms:

- Tremor
- Subtle decrease in dexterity
- Decreased arm swing on the first-involved side
- Soft voice
- Decreased facial expression
- Sleep disturbances
- Rapid eye movement (REM) behavior disorder
- Decreased sense of smell
- Autonomic dysfunction (eg, constipation, sweating abnormalities, sexual dysfunction, seborrheic dermatitis)
- Depression or anhedonia
- Slowness in thinking

## Cardinal motor signs:

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    Tremor – 70% of patients
    Rigidity (stiffness)
    (A) Bradykinesia (slowness)
    Postural instability (later on in course)
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- PD = clinical diagnosis!
- Usually 2 of the first 3 are required for diagnosis

#### **Tremor:**

- Resting
- 70% of the patients
- One of the cardinal features of PD
- Usually one limb initially (UE), may progress to other limbs later

## **Rigidity:**

- Stiffness about a joint
- Velocity independent
- Leadpipe/ cogwheeling (oscillating)

## Bradykinesia

- Slowness of movement (decreased speed)
- Decreased amplitude
- Decreased spontaneous movement
- Micrographia
- Hypomimia (decreased facial expression)
- Hypophonia (soft speech)

## **Postural instability:**

- Later in the disease
- Loss of righting reflexes
- Risk of falls

## Differential diagnoses:

- MSA
- PSP
- CBD

### **Investigations:**

- None sensitive for PD
- Only to r/o other disorders as needed

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### **Medications (mainly motor) = DOPA**

- Levodopa (+ carbidopa)
  - gold standard for symptoms
  - SE: fluctuations (wearing off), dyskinesia
- COMT inhibitors (entacapone) inhibit peripheral metabolism of levodopa
- MAOB inhibitors (selegiline) inhibit metabolism of brain dopamine
- Dopa agonists (pramipexole, ropinirole)

## Other medications (mainly motor):

- Anticholinergics
  - for tremor
  - SE: cognitive deficits
- Amantadine
  - Antiviral that potentiate CNS dopaminergic responses

## Medications (nonmotor) – 2010 AAN:

- Sildenafil erectile dysfunction
- PEG lyte constipation
- Modafinil daytime somnolence
- Sialorrhea ?botox, gum
- Dystonia ?botox
- Fatigue ?ritalin

#### **Medication related issues**

- After 4-6 years/more on dopamine meds
- ON/OFF phenomenon
  - In time, the DOPA meds lead to less ON and more OFF
  - May give the IR more frequently or switch to CR
- Peak dose dyskinesia
  - Dyskinesia at peak plasma concentration of the dopamine meds

#### **Medication related issues**

- ON/OFF
- Peak dose dyskinesia
  - The trick is to prescribe enough dopamine (amount and frequency) to control the motor signs and avoid dyskinesia
  - Easier said than done...help from movement disorder neurologist!

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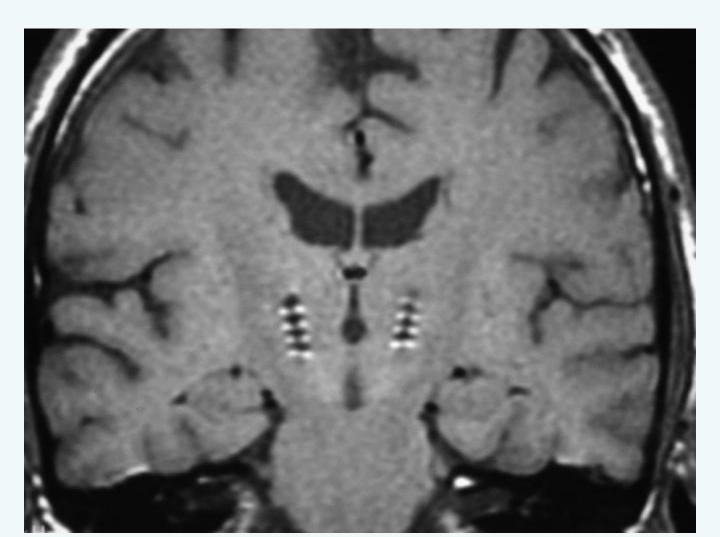
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### **Invasive procedures:**

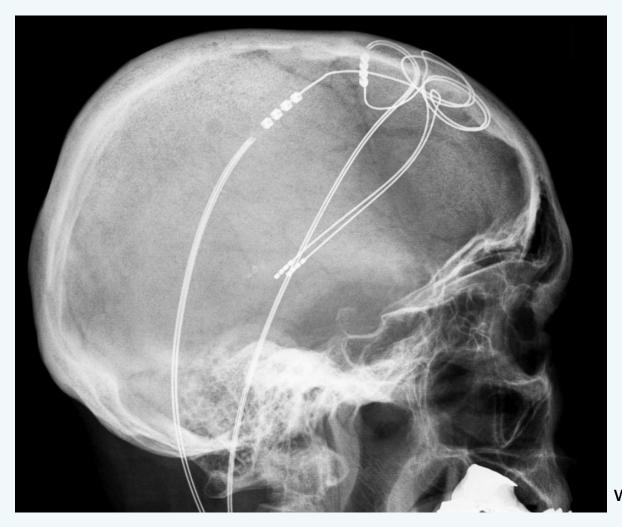
- Deep Brain Stimulation STN
- Thalamotomy
- Pallidotomy

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# MULTIDISCIPLINARY REHABINARY REHA

Improved outcomes post inpatient programs

#### Monticone et al (2015)

- 70 patients, 2 months RCT
- ↑ UPDRS, ↑Berg Balance
- ↑motor fxn, balance, ADLs, QOL, even at 1 year

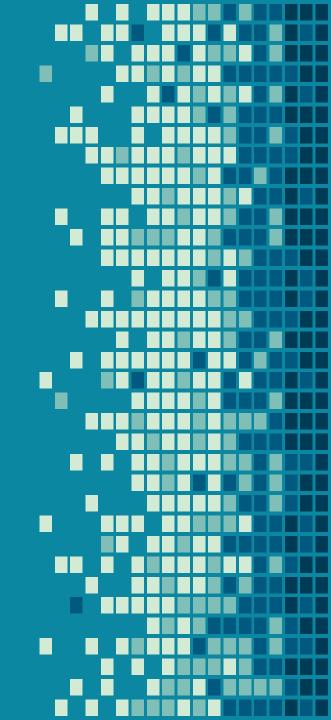
#### Ellis et al (2008)

- 68 patients
- ► FIM (27.7 motor, 4.1 cognitive),
  - ↑ 2MW (21.m), ↑ TUG (19.8s), ↑ Finger taps (19.2)
- 71% of subjects had clinically important differences



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Does an outpatient multidisciplinary rehabilitation program improve **motor** outcomes and functional independence in Parkinson's Disease?



# HOTEL DIEU SHAVER PROGRAM

- 6 week outpatient program in St. Catharine's, ON
- 2 three-hour sessions/week
  - 2 hours with individual allied health
  - 1 hour education
- Multidisciplinary (PT, OT, Nursing, SLP, SW)
- Weekly team rounds



## QUALITY IMPROVEMENT STUDY



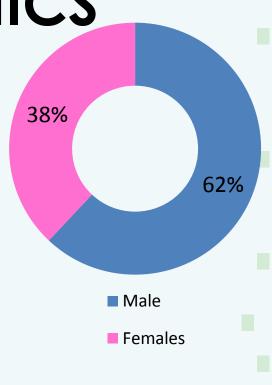
- 179 patients (June 2013 May 2017)
- 8 patients enrolled in program at a time
- Physician referrals only (GP, PM&R, Neuro)
- Initial screen based on inclusion criteria

## INCLUSION CRITERIA

- Confirmed diagnosis of PD (by neurologist)
- ✓ Age > 18
- Resident of Niagara region
- Medically stable
- ✓ Able to attend program (responsible for transportation)
- Manage own toileting (or accompanied by caregiver)
- Motivated & willing to participate
- Ability to set goals
- Tolerate 3h of activity

**DEMOGRAPHICS** 

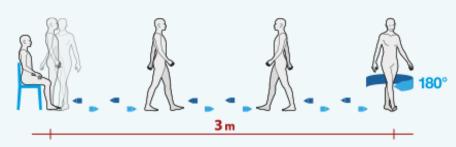
- Age
  - Males 43-89 (mean 73.75)
  - Females 54-86 (mean 71.96)
- Disease Severity: variable (unknown)
- Disease duration: variable
  - 0-21 years (mean 6.5 yrs since dx)
- Meds as prescribed



## PRIMARY OUTCOMES

#### 1. TIMED UP & GO [TUG] (secs)

- Time to rise from chair, walk 3m, turn, walk back & sit
- Measures:
- Functional mobility & gait
- Non-vestibular balance (static, dynamic)
- Interpretation:
- <10s = Normal
- >20s = Needs ↑ assistance, exam, intervention
- Propensity to fall: >11.5s 14 secs



## PRIMARY OUTCOMES

#### 2. SIT TO STAND x5 [STS] (secs)

- Time to stand and sit down on a chair 5 times (quickly)
- Measures:
- Functional lower limb muscle strength
- Mobility
- Interpretation:
- >14s = associated with
  - ↑ disease & morbidity



## PRIMARY OUTCOMES

#### 3. 6 MIN WALK DISTANCE (m)

- Distance walked over 6 minutes
- Measures:
- Aerobic capacity & endurance
- Interpretation:
- -400-700m = Normal
- 54m improvement is "clinically significant"

#### 4. 6 MIN WALK GAIT VELOCITY (m/s)

Based on above



# **RESULTS**

Outcome	Mean Improvement	p value	Confidence Interval (95%)
Timed Up & Go	1.63 secs	p<0.0001	0.81 - 2.46
Sit to Stand (x5)	4.19 secs	p<0.00005	2.58 – 5.81
6 Min Walk Distance	66.78 m	p<0.00005	55.26 – 78.30
6 Min Walk Gait Velocity	0.151 m/s	p<0.00005	0.18 – 0.12

# SIGNIFICANCE OF RESULTS

- 6 weeks of outpatient multidisciplinary rehab statistically significantly improved all motor outcomes (TUG, STS, 6MWD, 6MWV)
- Mobility/gait, balance, lower extremity strength & endurance
- Falls risk (TUG highly correlated)



## CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE

- ↑ 6MWD 67m (>54m "clinically significant")
- **V TUG** 1.63sec
- ↑ 1 sec in TUG = ↑ 5.4% odds of falling
- **STS (x5)** 14.59s (from 18.78s)
- Cutoff time for recurrent fallers = 15 secs
  - → Meta-analysis proposed times for different ages
  - → 60-69: 11.4s, 70-79: 12.6s, 80-89: 14.8s
- Gait speed 1.18m/s (↑ from 1.02m/s)
- Mean gait speed in PD = 0.94m/s (0.18-1.21)
- Gait speed for healthy people in 60's = 1.30-1.36
- 70% of PD patients with speed 0.88m/s = community walkers

# Functional Improvement Related to Enrolment in Parkinson's Disease Rehabilitation Program

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