

INNOVATION IN DYSTONIA TREATMENT

More than **500,000** people
across Europe are living with dystonia¹



Treatment options:



Injections

Botulinum toxin temporarily weakens affected muscles and reduces spasms



Surgery

Lesioning of nerves that control the muscles causing spasms



Medication

A number of medicines can help regulate neurotransmission



Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS)

Brain stimulation can reduce symptoms of dystonia significantly



More than **150,000** people worldwide
already treated with DBS²



What is DBS?

implantation of brain stimulator that helps regulate neural signaling

Vercise Directional System*

powered with Current Steering technology is designed for

- Greater precision for improved patient outcomes
- Reduction of potential side effects
- Flexible programming to treat a greater range of patients



Boston Scientific in DBS



Contoured edges designed for patient comfort



Directional leads for less side effects



Leads compatible with MRI**



Full body MRI conditional***

89% of treating physicians think that a directional lead should be used for all their patients³

DBS may reduce dystonia symptoms such as:



Tremor, cramps



Pain



Strained or whispering voice



Muscle spasms



Rapid eyelid blinking



Painful neck spasms

Improvements of 50-60 % in general, some patients experiencing a 90 % reduction in symptoms⁴



Talk to your doctor about how DBS could help you and find out more here:
<https://www.bostonscientific.com/en-EU/health-conditions/dystonia.html>

References:

¹ <http://www.braincouncil.eu/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/Dystonia-fact-sheet-August-2011.pdf>

² <https://www.neuromodulation.com/deep-brain-stimulation>

³ DBS Masters Debate, November 2015.

⁴ <https://www.dystonia-foundation.org/living-with-dystonia/neurosurgery/brain-surgeries/deep-brain-stimulation> last access October 21, 2016.

* A System that includes the Vercise™ PC, Vercise Gevia™, or Vercise Genus™ IPG and Vercise Cartesia™ Directional Lead(s) forms the Vercise Directional System.

** The Vercise Genus or Vercise Gevia™ DBS System and Vercise DBS Lead-only system (before Stimulator is implanted) provide safe access to full-body MRI scans when used with specific components and the patient is exposed to the MRI environment under specific conditions defined in the supplemental manual ImageReady™ MRI Guidelines for Boston Scientific DBS Systems.

*** MRI Conditional when all conditions of use are met.



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