Innovations in pain management

A brief history of treating pain



Medieval Times Variety of herbs (many contained opiates)1

15th Century Earliest form of anesthesia variety of herbs including opium soaked into a sponge²

1846 First use of anesthesia

for surgery



of Aspirin



World War 1

treated with

arteries and procaine

Nerve injuries

restriction of the

1960's Narcotics such as heroin for pain relief. First SCS device implanted in a cancer patient

2005 **Boston Scientific** brings first rechargeable stimulator to the market

of chronic pain

First spinal cord The future is SCS stimulator approved by FDA for treatment

The back is the

most commonly

for chronic pain⁵

reported location

Europe is still suffering in the 21st Century



chronic pain have lost a job as a result of their pain³

Chronic pain is continuous, more than 6

long-term pain of months duration⁸



Adults in Europe

MILLION

Chronic pain⁶



Diabetes⁷



On average people with chronic pain can miss up to 12 days off work per year because of their pain⁵



in Europe⁶

Is pain management stuck in the dark ages?



with chronic pain for an average of 4½ years⁵

People are suffering

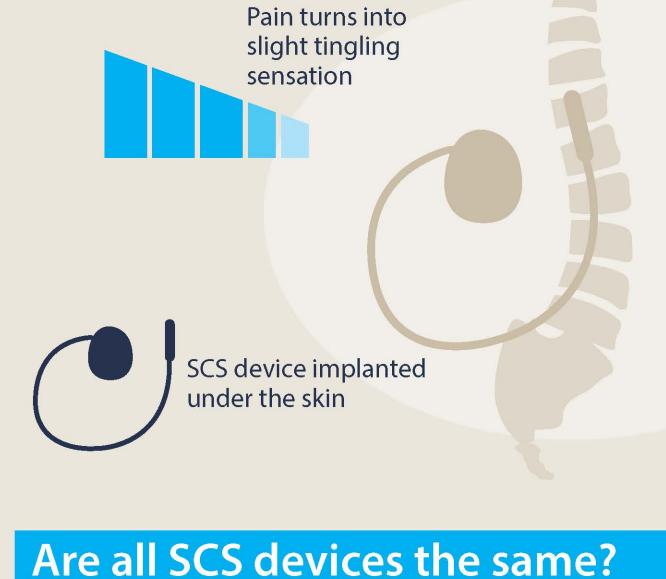


not had a good experience with pharmacological treatment⁵



are in pain for 12 hours a day despite treatment⁵

What is spinal cord stimulation?





A rechargeable system requires between 2.6 and 4.2 fewer pulse generator replacements

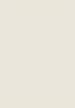


SCS system⁸

Costs for a rechargeable can be offset 4.1 years after implant⁸

On average, over a 15 year period, a

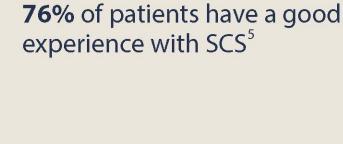
for battery depletion than a non-rechargeable



rechargeable system could allow treatment of 6 more new patients annually compared with a non-rechargeable system⁹

patients have been given SCS worldwide¹⁰







80.5% of patients

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