Abstract:

This talk will chronicle the captivating journey of Spinal Cord Stimulation (SCS) from its historical inception to the cuttingedge 3rd-generation waveform systems with automatic remote monitoring/programming capabilities. We delve into the advancements of each generation, from 2nd gen's sub-perception Burst and High-frequency options to 3rd gen's sub-perception therapies, such as Biotronik Neuro's Resonance, also covering closed-loop approaches and ultra-low-frequency stimulation. Finally, we peer into the future, unveiling possibilities of SCS beyond pain management and discussing AI integration for personalized therapy management.

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