

CANADIAN NEUROMODULATION SOCIETY
Société Canadienne de Neuromodulation



Combined Annual Meeting of the Canadian Neuromodulation Society and the German Neuromodulation Society (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Neuromodulation)

Québec City, QC
June 19th – 21st, 2025

Thursday, June 19, 2025



0930 - 0945 Inauguration and Welcome

0945 - 1100 Deep Brain Stimulation (Moderator: Lutz Weise)

0945 - 1005 Cerebellar DBS, Suneil Kalia (ON, Canada)

1005 - 1025 Connectivity and Sweet Spots in DBS, Michael Fox (MA, USA)

1025 - 1045 DBS - a German perspective, Jan Vesper (Germany)

1045 - 1100 Questions and Discussion

1100 - 1130 Break

1130 - 1205 Tasker Lecture: A Canadian perspective, from the beginning to the future, Andres Lozano (ON, Canada)

1205 - 1320 Best abstracts I: 6 Oral Presentation

1400 - 1730 Industry Sessions (non-CME events)

1400 - 1500 Session 1

1515 - 1615 Session 2

1630 - 1730 Session 3

1730 - 1830 Drinks Reception

Friday, June 20, 2025



0800 – 0830 Breakfast

0830 – 1005 Spinal Cord Stimulation (Moderator: Anuj Bhatia)

- 0830 – 0850* Studying mechanisms of spinal cord stimulation, Scott Lempka (MI, USA)
0850 – 0910 Mechanisms and outcomes of closed-loop SCS, Ryan D'Souza (MN, USA)
0910 – 0930 Lateral SCS for nerve root stimulation, Andy Parrent (ON, Canada)
0930 – 0950 SCS - a German perspective, Philip Slotty (Germany)
0950 – 1005 Questions and Discussion

1005 – 1030 Coffee Break

1030 – 1105 Kumar Lecture: Developing guidelines for neuromodulation therapies - importance, process, and how to advocate for patients, Lawrence Poree (CA, USA)

1105 – 1220 Non-invasive Neuromodulation (Moderator: Alfonso Fasano)

- 1105 – 1125* Repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation for depression and pain, Joseph J. Taylor (MA, USA)
1125 – 1145 Transcranial Ultrasound, Robert Chen (ON, Canada)
1145 – 1205 tDCS/ TACS and Temporal Interference, Shirley Fecteau (QC, Canada)
1205 – 1220 Questions and Discussion

1220 – 1320 Lunch

1320 – 1500 Intrathecal Drug Delivery (Moderators: Jill Osborn and Vishal Varshney)

- 1320 – 1340* Recent advances in IDD for cancer pain, Sandy Christiansen (OR, USA)
1340 – 1400 IDD for cervical and facial pain, Michael Staudt (OH, USA)
1400 – 1420 IDD – a German perspective, Dirk Rasche (Germany)
1420 – 1440 Intrathecal Baclofen Therapy, Scott Paquette (BC, Canada)
1440 – 1500 Questions and Discussion

1500 – 1530 Break

1530 – 1750 Québec-Focused Session (in French) (Moderators: Christian Iorio-Morin and Newton Pimenta)

- 1530 – 1630* Session 1 – Neuromodulation services offered in different hospitals (10 mins per centre)
1630 – 1730 Session 2 – Presentations ongoing research on neuromodulation in Québec (10 min per presenter)
1730 – 1750 Session 3 – Roundtable access to Neuromodulation services in Québec

1800 – 2030 President's Dinner for Invited Faculty

Saturday, June 21, 2025



0800 – 0830 Breakfast

0830 – 1005 SNS, PNS and VNS (Moderators: Dean Elterman and Antonios El Helou)

- 0830 – 0850* VNS for new indications, Peter Staats (MD, USA)
0850 – 0910 Update on PNS, Chris Gilmore (NC, USA)
0910 – 0930 PNS German Perspective, Georgios Matis (Germany)
0930 – 0950 SNS, Sandy Vasavada (OH, USA)
0950 – 1005 Questions and Discussion

1005 – 1030 Break

1030 – 1200 Allied Health Session (Moderator: Victoria Bains)

- 1030 – 1100* Contact Points, Frequency and Pulse Width: How do optimize mapping for optimal coverage, Karen Waterhouse (SK, Canada)
1100 – 1130 Intrathecal Baclofen: The Patient Journey from testing to implant, Hannah Hollett (ON, Canada)
1130 – 1200 The role of physiotherapy after spinal cord stimulation, why is it needed, Abeer Alomari (ON, Canada)

1200 – 1315 Lunch

1215 – 1245 CNS AGM

1315 – 1450 Challenges and opportunities for Neuromodulation across Canada (Moderator: Himanshu Gupta)

- 1315 – 1335* State of Neuromodulation address, Tejas Sanker (AB, Canada)
1335 – 1355 Non-invasive SCS for SCI, Sukhvinder Kalsi-Ryan (ON, Canada)
1355 – 1415 New frontiers in Neuromodulation Research, Christian Iorio-Morin (QC, Canada)
1415 – 1435 Toward public funding of intrathecal drug delivery and peripheral nerve stimulation: the Ontario experiences, Christine Lee (ON, Canada)
1435 – 1450 Questions and Discussion

1450 – 1515 Break

1515 – 1540 CNS Lecture: Rescuing Failing Spinal Cord Stimulation, Philippe Rigoard (France)

1540 – 1655 Best Abstracts II: 6 Oral Presentations

1655 – 1710 Awards for Best Posters and Oral Presentations

1830 Gala Dinner