



Clinical Neuroscience Grand Rounds Presented by the Department of Neurosurgery

Neuromodulation for the Treatment of Epilepsy:

Stimulation of the Thalamus for Arousal Restoral in Temporal Lobe Epilepsy (START)



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NIHB E 02 - 230 South Frontage Road

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This course will fulfill the licensure requirement set forth by the State of Connecticut

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NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The fields of neuromodulation and closed loop neuromodulation in the treatment of neurologic disorders such as epilepsy is rapidly expanding. There is a need for these new treatment options for patients with refractory epilepsy and other neurologic disorders. There is also a need to improve and expand the devices that are available for these treatments. Finally, a better understanding regarding the biomarkers of neural network state and function is paramount in this field.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this activity, participants will learn:

- 1. Describe the differences between closed loop and open loop neuromodulation.
- 2. Describe the findings of the SANTE (Stimulation of the anterior nucleus of the thalamus for treatment of epilepsy) trial and its impact on epilepsy treatment.
- 3. Identify loss of consciousness as the major morbidity of epilepsy.

DESIGNATION STATEMENT

The Yale School of Medicine designates this educational activity for 1 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)TM. Physicians should claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

FACULTY DISCLOSURES

Jason Gerrard, MD, PhD – Yes Murat Gunel, MD – none

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