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Approccio multidisciplinare nella malattia di Parkinson

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Parkinson disease: a chronic and progressive neurodegenerative disorder

MDS clinical diagnostic criteria for PD (Postuma et al. 2015) disease

- Parkinsonism – bradykinesia plus either rigidity or rest tremor¹ 80% of true PD cases diagnosed
- **Clinically probable PD:**¹
 - **Absence of absolute exclusion criteria; presence of 1 or 2 'red flags' counterbalanced by equal number of supportive criteria**

Absolute exclusion criteria¹

- Cerebellar signs
- Supranuclear gaze palsy
- Established diagnosis of BVFTD
- Parkinsonism restricted to the lower limbs only for >3 years
- Treatment with an antidopaminergic, or with dopamine-depletion agents
- Absence of response to levodopa
- Sensory–cortical loss
- No evidence for dopaminergic deficiency on functional imaging
- Other parkinsonism-inducing condition

Red flags¹

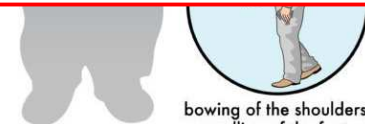
- Rapid deterioration of gait
- Absence of motor symptom progression over 5 years
- Early bulbar dysfunction
- Respiratory dysfunction
- Early severe autonomic failure
- Early recurrent falls due to misbalance
- Disproportionate anterocollis
- Absence of common non-motor features of disease during >5 years
- Pyramidal tract signs
- Bilateral symmetric presentation

Supportive criteria¹

- A clear and dramatic positive response to dopaminergic therapy
- Levodopa-induced dyskinesia
- Documentation of resting tremor of a limb
- A positive diagnostic test of either olfactory loss or cardiac sympathetic denervation on scintigraphy

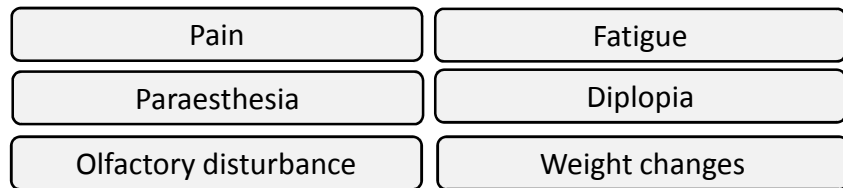
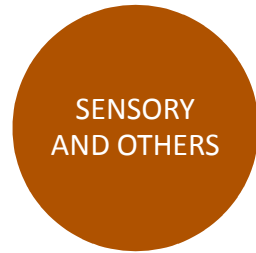
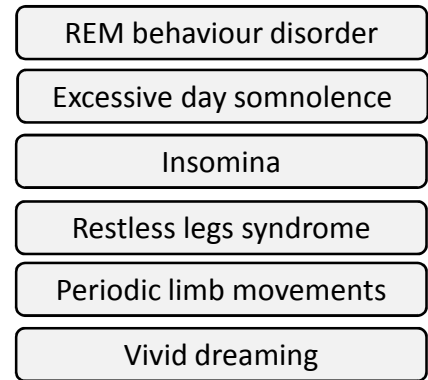
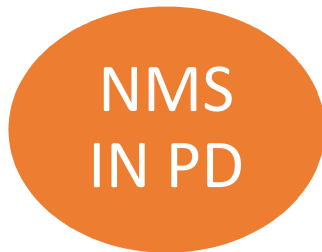
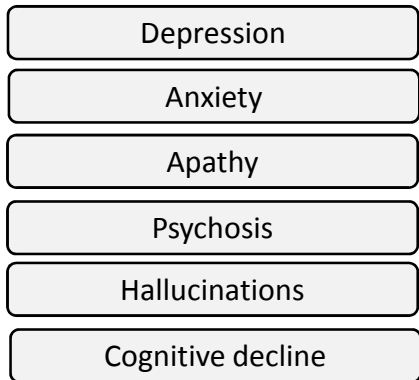
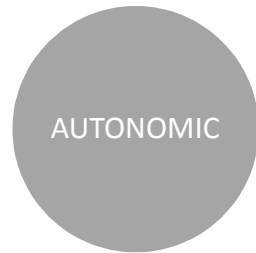
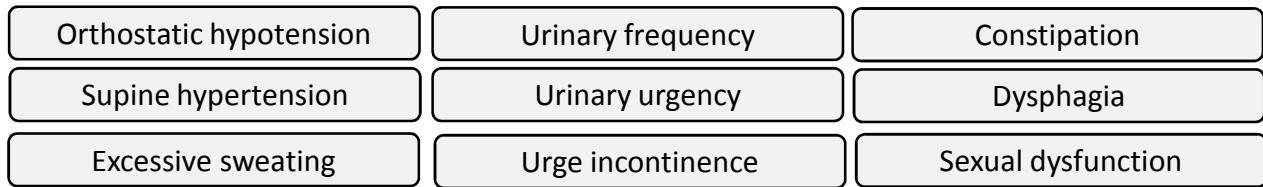


hoarse speaking,
excessive salivation,
difficulty in swallowing,
respiratory problems,

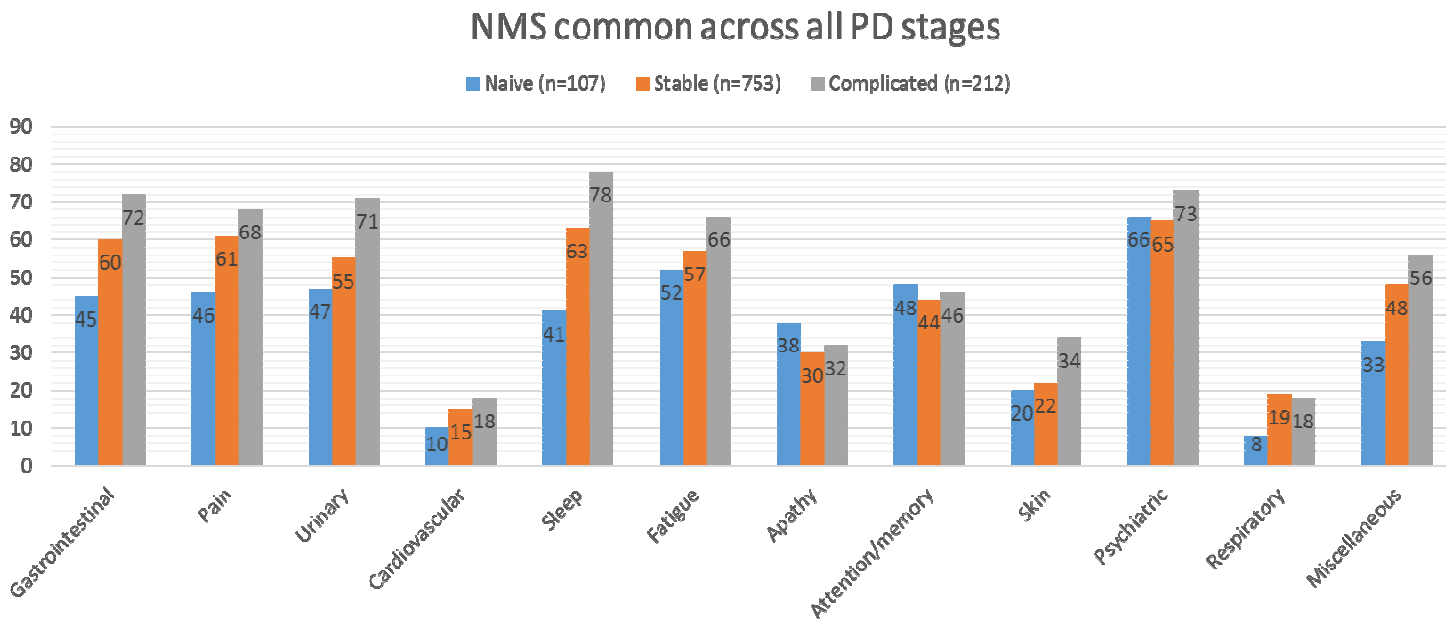


bowing of the shoulders,
swelling of the feet,

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An Italian multicenter assessment of NMS and their impact on QoL in PD



- 98.6% PD reported the presence of NMS
- The mean number of NMS per patient was 7.8 (range, 0-32)
- Frequency of NMS increased along with the disease duration and severity
- NMS were associated with poor QoL - mainly apathy, fatigue, attention, memory, and psychiatric symptoms

Current medical approach of PD

- Often m
- Focus on
- Therapy
- Therape
- duodena**
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Drawbacks to current pharmacotherapy in PD:

- Unable to alleviate all motor symptoms
(**freezing, postural instability, posture, falling**)
- Few **NMS** are responsive to dopaminergic treatment
- Dopaminergic treatment is often complicated by
dose-limiting side effects (e.g., motor
fluctuations, dyskinesias)

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Complementary non-pharmacological therapies in PD

Intervention^a

Exercise	Aerobic exercise, dancing, t'ai chi, strength training
Cognitive training	Cognitive training, computer-based cognitive training, cognitive gaming
Diet	Personalized treatment aiming to improve nutritional status (e.g. avoiding malnutrition, managing protein intake relative to levodopa intake)
Non-invasive brain stimulation	Transcranial magnetic stimulation, transcranial direct current stimulation
Occupational therapy	Personalized treatment aiming to enable patients to engage in meaningful roles and activities and to support self-management
Physiotherapy	Personalized treatment aiming to maximize movement quality, functional independence and general fitness; minimizing secondary complications; optimizing safety; supporting self-management and participation.
Speech and language therapy	Personalized treatment aiming to improve communication, language therapy, swallowing training
Complementary interventions	Wide range, including music therapy, mindfulness training, yoga

^a In alphabetical order.

Differences between medical management and allied health care management in PD

Key rehabilitation strategies in PD

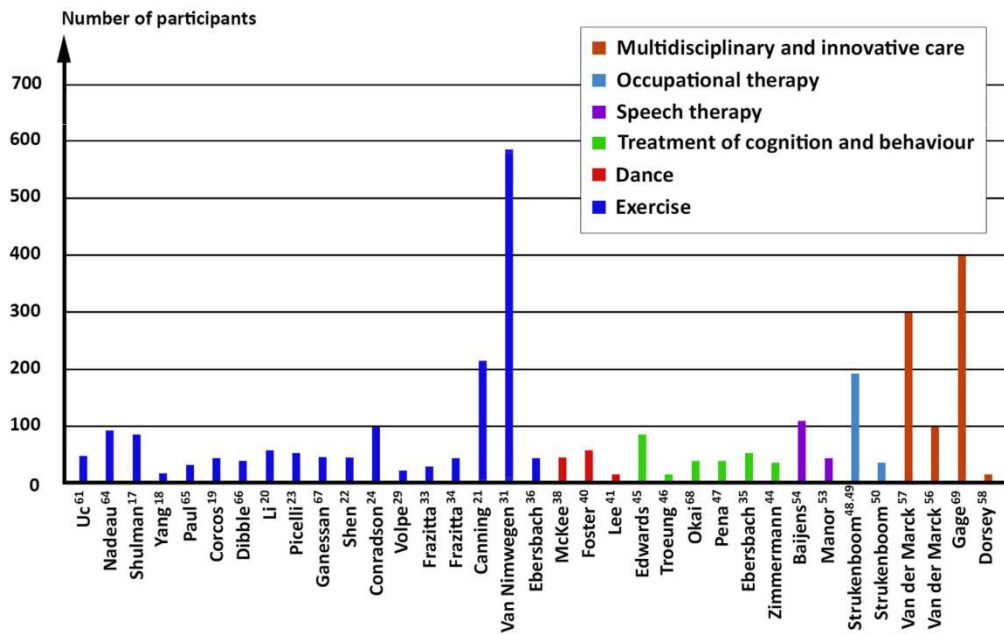
- Use of external *cues* to help initiate and maintain movement or action
- *Avoidance of multitasking* during tasks
- *Breaking complex activities* into a series of simpler components

Differences between medical management (pharmacotherapy) and allied health care management in PD

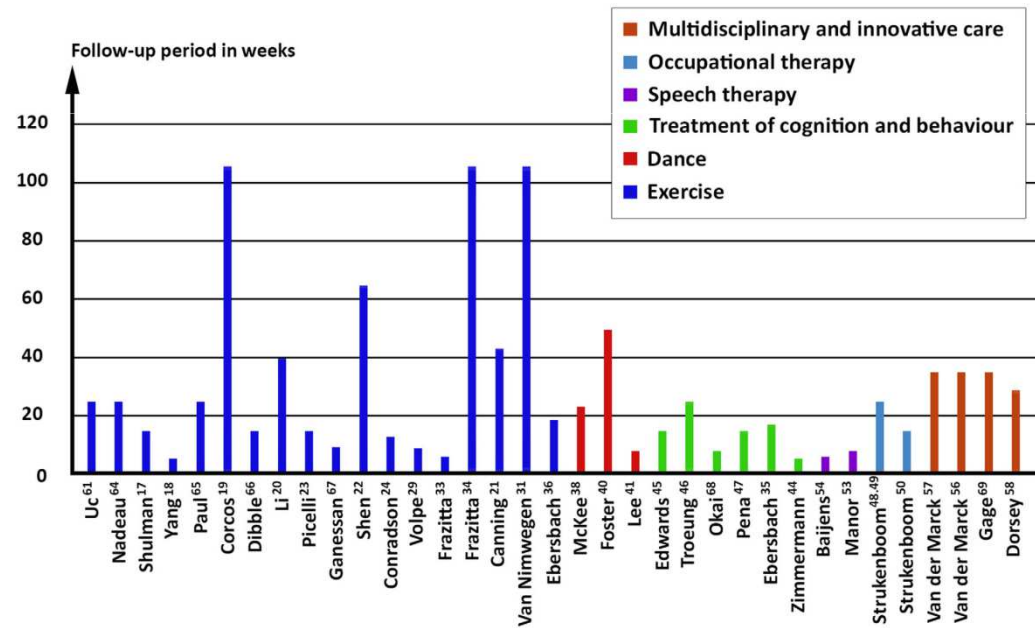
	Medical management	Allied health care management
Focus	• Disease process	• Impact of disease on daily functioning
Treatment goals	• Reduce symptoms • Minimise disease severity	• Reduce disability and non-motor symptoms • Improve participation in roles and activities in daily life • Improve level of accessibility
Working mechanism	• Correct nigrostriatal dysfunction	• <u>Support compensatory (movement) strategies</u>
Scientific evidence	• Moderate to strong	• Limited (occupational therapy) to moderate or strong (physiotherapy, speech therapy)

Current knowledge

N° of participants in individual studies



Follow-up period in individual studies



Physiotherapy in PD

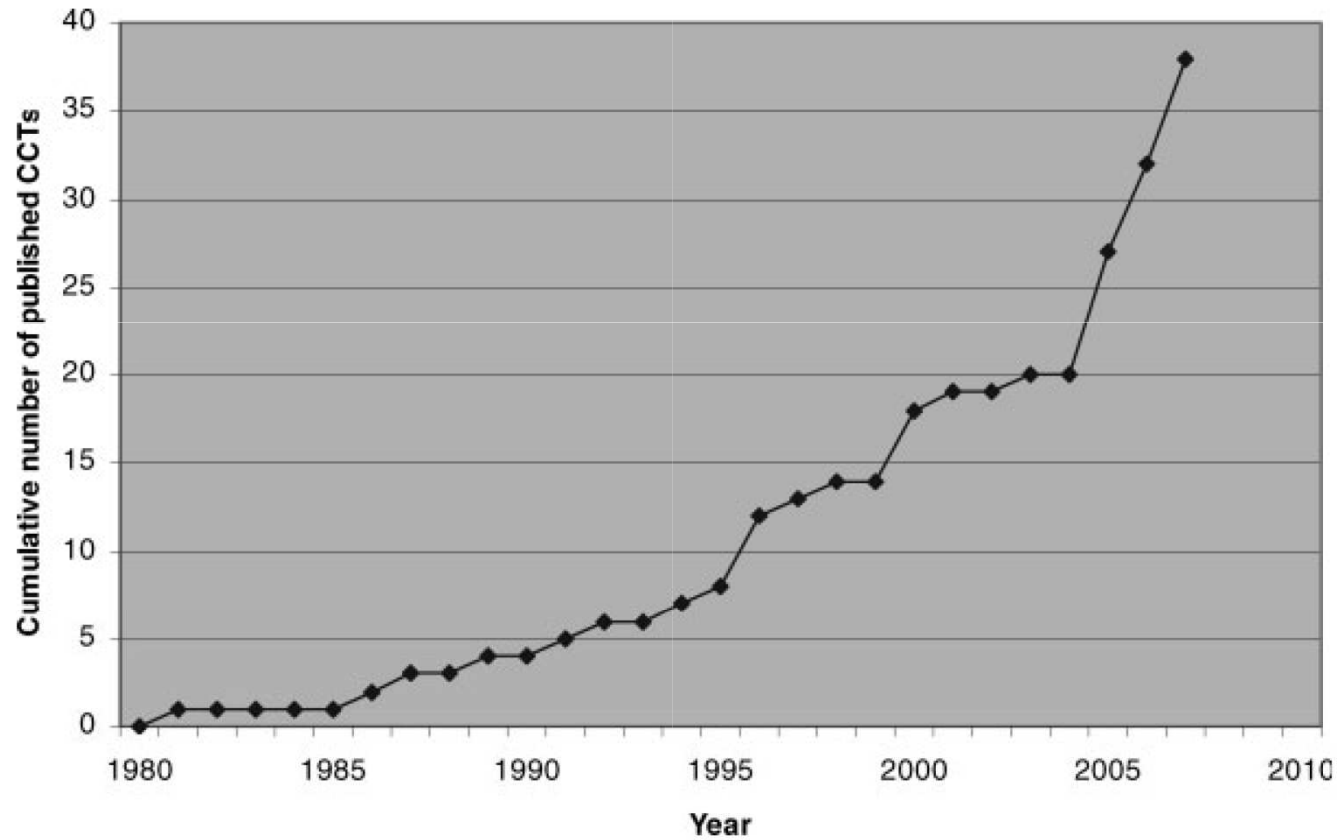


FIG. 1. Cumulative number of randomized and controlled clinical trials on the efficacy of physical therapy in PD.

Physical therapy in PD: Evidence-based guideline for clinical practice

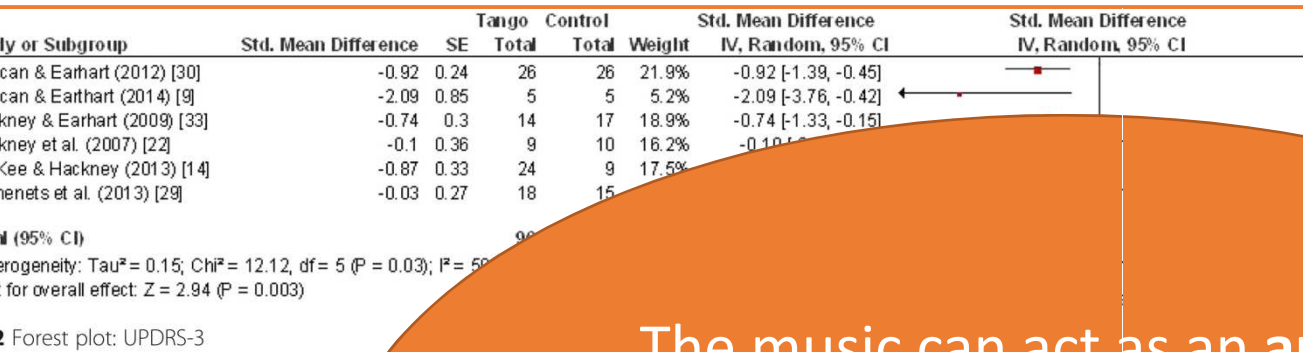
- Strong recommendations (based on evidence from ≥ 2 randomized controlled trials, “level 2”)
 - I. Application of cueing strategies to improve **gait**
 - II. Application of cognitive movement strategies to improve **transfers** (e.g. turning around in bed, and rising from a chair)
 - III. Specific exercises to improve **balance** (mainly strength and balance training)
 - IV. Training of joint mobility and muscle power to improve **physical capacity**

Physical therapy in PD guideline: *update*

TABLE 1. *Update guideline recommendations (October 2003 to December 2007)*

Study	New recommendation	Level
Nieuwboer ⁴⁸	Cueing strategies improve posture and gait, and the confidence to carry out functional activities without falling.	3
Nieuwboer ⁴⁸	Cueing strategies have no long-term effects at 6-weeks follow-up (duplicating evidence found by Thaut et al. ⁸⁴). ^a	2
Rochester ^{85,86}	Auditory cues, more than visual cues, improve gait during performance of a secondary motor task.	3
Dibble ³¹	A high-force, eccentric resistance training of the lower extremities improves stair descent, the 6-minute walk, and muscle volume.	3
Mak ⁴³	Audiovisual cues enhance the performance of sit-to-stand.	3

Argentine tango in PD



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Balan

The music can act as an **auditory cue**, the consecutive steps of the dance can act as a **movement strategy**, and the activity itself can act as an **exercise**

Gait

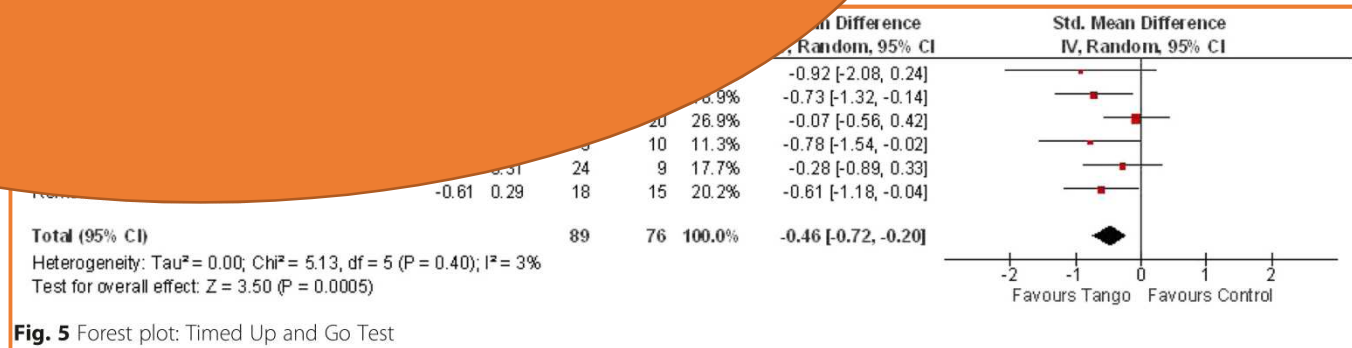


Fig. 5 Forest plot: Timed Up and Go Test



The Impact of Physical Activity on Non-Motor Symptoms in Parkinson's Disease: A Systematic Review

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Parkinson's disease (PD) is a neurological disorder that is associated with both motor and non-motor symptoms (NMS). The management of PD is primarily *via* pharmaceutical treatment; however, non-pharmaceutical interventions have become increasingly recognized in the management of motor and NMS. In this review, the efficacy of physical activity, including physiotherapy and occupational therapy, as an intervention in NMS will be assessed. The papers were extracted between the 20th and 22nd of June 2016 from PubMed, Web of Science, Medline, Ovid, SportsDiscuss, and Scopus using the MeSH search terms "Parkinson's," "Parkinson," and "Parkinsonism" in conjunction with "exercise," "physical activity," "physiotherapy," "occupational therapy," "physical therapy," "rehabilitation," "dance," and "martial arts." Twenty studies matched inclusion criteria of having 10 or more participants with diagnosed idiopathic PD participating in the intervention as well as having to evaluate the effects of physical activity on NMS in PD as controlled, randomized intervention studies. The outcomes of interest were NMS, including depression, cognition, fatigue, apathy, anxiety, and sleep. Risk of bias in the studies was evaluated using the Cochrane Collaboration's tool for assessing risk of bias. Comparability of the various intervention methods, however, was challenging due to demographic variability and methodological differences. Nevertheless, physical activity can positively impact the global NMS burden including depression, apathy, fatigue, day time sleepiness, sleep, and cognition, thus supporting its therapeutic potential in neurodegenerative conditions such as PD. It is recommended that further adequately powered studies are conducted to assess the therapeutic role of physical activity on both motor and non-motor aspects of PD. These studies should be optimally designed to assess non-motor elements of disease using instruments validated in PD.

TANGO IMPROVES NON MOTOR SYMPTOMS

A small sample of PD participants who danced tango for two years demonstrated improved NMS compared to controls (Duncan RP et al. 2014)

Improvement in fatigue specifically a twelve week tango intervention (Rios RS et al. 2015)

Guidelines for Occupational Therapy in Parkinson's Disease Rehabilitation

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AIM

- Enable patients to engage in meaningful roles and activities and to support self-management
- Enable caregiver to solve problems related to supporting patient in daily activity

TREATMENT STRATEGIES

- Adopting compensatory strategies in activities (i.e. movement and cognitive strategies, planning)
- Optimizing day structure and routine
- Adaptation of the physical environment

Speech-swallowing therapy in PD

- **DYSARTHRIA:** Specific intensive speech treatments improve loudness and intelligibility of speech (Lee Silverman Voice Treatment or Pitch Limiting Voice Treatment) (Ramig et al 1995, Swart et al 2003)
- **DYSPHAGIA:** The daily use of effortful swallowing (assisted with biofeedback) is helpful in reducing dysphagia in PD (Felix et al 2008, Manor et al 2013). Expiratory muscle strength training can reduce the incidence of aspiration (Pitts et al 2009)

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Swallowing disturbances in Parkinson's disease: A multivariate analysis of contributing factors

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Clinical Nutrition

This study outlined three cardinal goals of nutrition in PD

1. Calorie intake

- Results: BMI was inversely associated with disease duration and severity, and levodopa-related motor complications
- Strategy: **Calorie-rich food supplements**

2. Protein intake

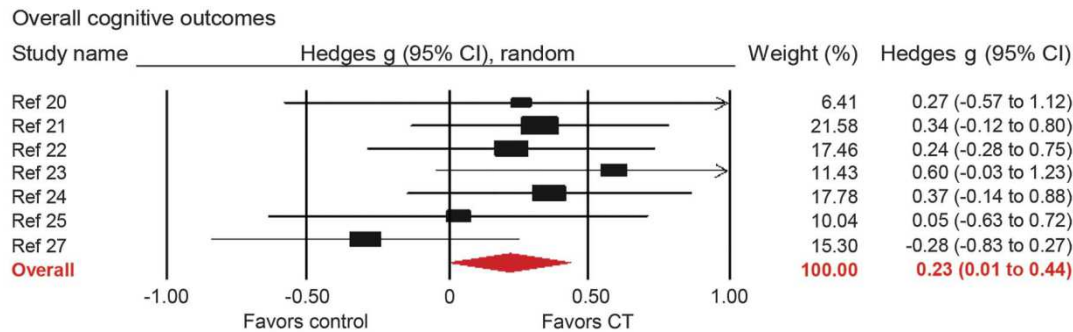
- Results: An increase in protein intake by 10 g over physiological requirements (0.8 g/kg/day) corresponded to a mean increase in levodopa dose of 0.7 mg/kg/day
- Strategy: **Protein redistribution diet**

3. Constipation

- Results: Constipation was associated with higher levodopa dosages
- Strategy: **High fiber diet** associated with **correct hydration**

Cognitive training in PD

Figure 2 Overall efficacy of cognitive training on all cognitive outcomes



Tests for heterogeneity: $\chi^2=5.48$, $df=6$, $p=0.484$, $I^2=0$

Test for overall random effect: $Z=2.09$, $p=0.037$

Effect estimates are based on a random-effects model. CI = confidence interval; CT = cognitive training.

- Larger effect sizes were noted on **working memory** (4 studies: $g = 0.74$, CI 0.32–1.17, $p = 0.001$), **processing speed** (4 studies: $g = 0.31$, CI 0.01–0.61, $p = 0.04$), and **executive function** (5 studies: $g = 0.30$, CI 0.01–0.58, $p = 0.042$)
- While effects on memory, visuospatial skills, and attention were not statistically significant

Long-term effects of cognitive rehabilitation on brain, functional outcome and cognition in Parkinson's disease

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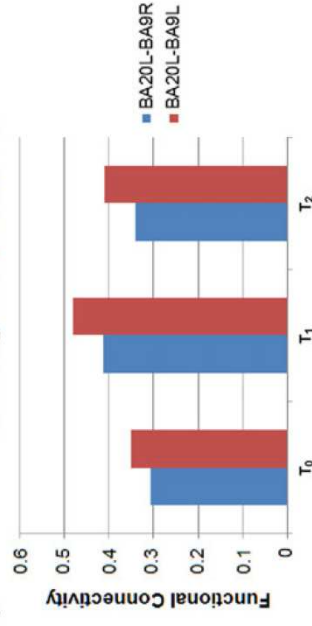
Background and purpose: Cognitive rehabilitation has demonstrated efficacy in producing short-term cognitive and brain changes in patients with Parkinson's disease (PD). To date, no study has assessed the long-term effects of cognitive rehabilitation using neuroimaging techniques in PD. The aim was to assess the longitudinal effects of a 3-month cognitive rehabilitation programme evaluating the cognitive, behavioural and neuroimaging changes after 18 months.

Methods: Fifteen patients with PD underwent a cognitive, behavioural and neuroimaging assessment at pre-treatment (T₀), post-treatment (T₁) and after 18 months (T₂). This study examined the long-term effects (from T₀ to T₂) and the maintenance of the changes (from T₁ to T₂). T1-weighted, diffusion-weighted, functional magnetic resonance imaging during both a resting-state and a memory paradigm were acquired. Voxel-based morphometry and tract-based spatial statistics were used for grey and white matter analyses. A region-of-interest-to-region-of-interest approach was used for resting-state functional connectivity (FC) and a model-based approach was used for brain activation during the memory paradigm.

Results: Patients with PD showed increased cognitive performance, decreased functional disability, increased brain FC and activation at T₂ compared with T₀ ($P < 0.05$, FDR). Moreover, patients showed maintenance of the improvements in cognition and functionality, and maintenance of the increased brain FC and activation at T₂ compared with T₁. However, significant grey matter reduction and alterations of white matter integrity were found at T₂ ($P < 0.05$, FWE).

Conclusions: Findings suggest that the improved cognitive performance and increased brain FC and activation after cognitive rehabilitation were significantly maintained after 18 months in patients with PD, despite the structural brain changes, consistent with a progression of neurodegenerative processes.

(a) Resting-state fMRI FC



(b) Brain activation in the memory fMRI paradigm

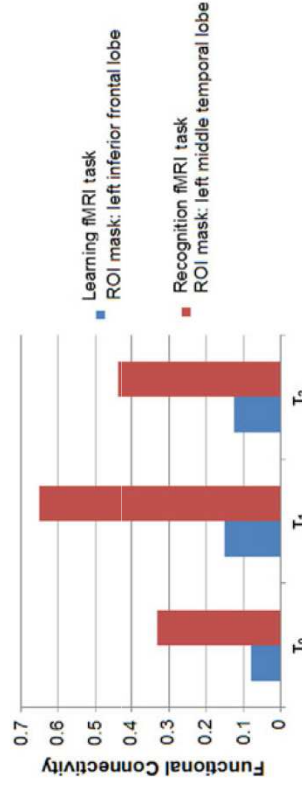


Figure 3 Neuroimaging changes with region of interest (ROI) analyses from patients with Parkinson's disease (PD) at three time points. (a) Values represent the functional connectivity of patients with PD between the two ROIs at the three time points. ■, BA20L-BA9R; ■, BA20L-BA9L. (b) Values represent the brain activation of patients with PD in the ROI mask at the three time points. ■, learning fMRI task, ROI mask: left inferior frontal lobe; ■, recognition fMRI task, ROI mask: left middle temporal lobe. [Colour figure can be viewed at wileyonlinelibrary.com].

Innovative rehabilitation approaches for PD

Computer-based cognitive training – COGNITIVE GAMES –

van de Weijer et al. *BMC Neurology* (2016) 16:209
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STUDY PROTOCOL Open Access

The Parkin'Play study: protocol of a phase II randomized controlled trial to assess the effects of a health game on cognition in Parkinson's disease

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The role of exergaming in Parkinson's disease rehabilitation: a systematic review of the evidence

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Virtual reality



Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews

Virtual reality for rehabilitation in Parkinson's disease (Review)

Dockx K, Bekkers EMJ, Van den Bergh V, Ginis P, Rochester L, Hausdorff JM, Mirelman A, Nieuwboer A

Transcranial direct current stimulation

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Effects of Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation Plus Physical Therapy on Gait in Patients With Parkinson Disease: A Randomized Controlled Trial

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Research Article

Mild cognitive impairment in Parkinson's disease is improved by transcranial direct current stimulation combined with physical therapy

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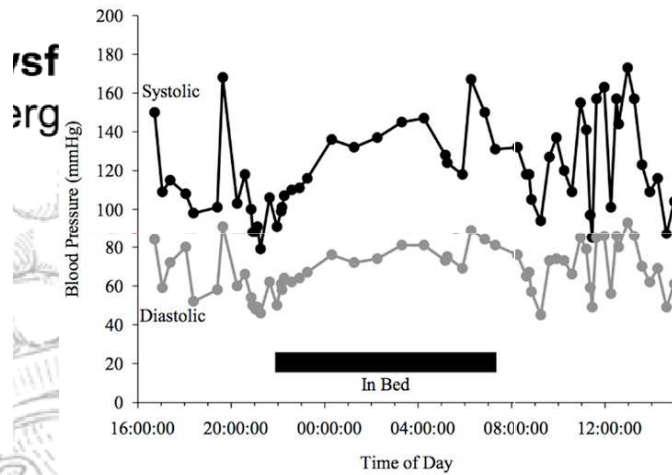
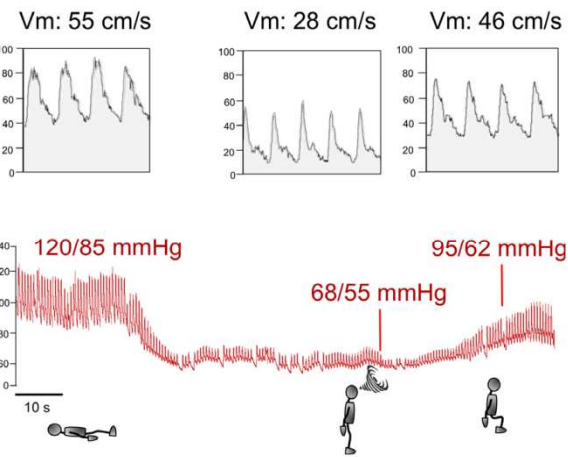
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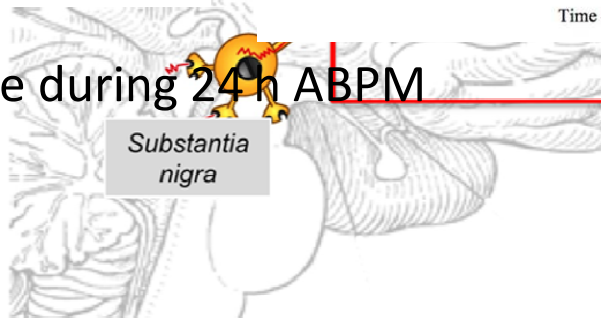


urogenic OH: Disorder
adrenergic neurotransmission

Cardiovascular autonomic test



BP profile during 24h ABPM



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MIBG cardiac scintigraphy

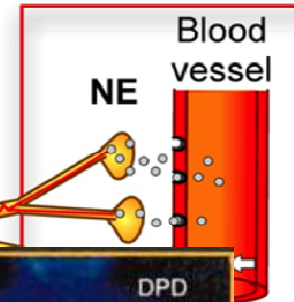
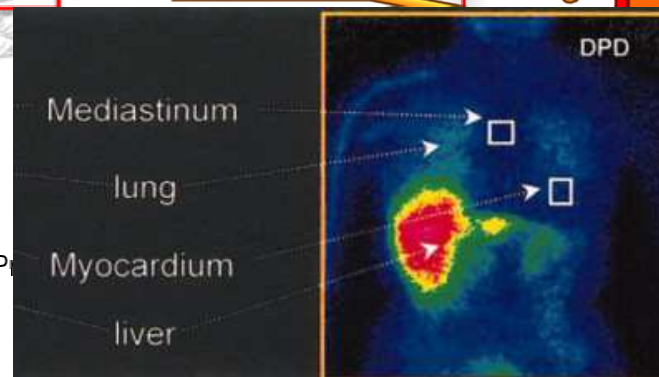




Fig. 2 A 4-step process for treating nOH

Multidisciplinary treatment of PD

TEAM

Medical specialists, specialised PD nurse, allied health professionals, dieticians, neuropsychologists

INTER-PROFESSIONAL TEMWORK

Shared goal setting

Shared contribution to treatment plans

Effective communication

Appropriate referrals to other team members

WORK

According to evidence-based guidelines when available

GOALS

Disease severity

Symptoms

Mobility

Independence

Relationships

CAREGIVER

Crucial role in assisting patients

Also the needs of the caregivers must be addressed

Evidence for multidisciplinary care in PD

Study	Arm 1	Arm 2	Follow-up	Outcomes	Summary of the results
Van der Marck et al. (2013)	Multidisciplinary PD team in a clinic (neurologist, nurse, social worker) (n = 51)	Usual care (general neurologist) (n = 49)	8 m	Symptoms, QoL, depression, psychosocial functioning, caregiver strain	Between group difference for multidisciplinary care group on QoL and symptoms
Van der Marck et al. (2013)	Multidisciplinary care by allied health professionals specialised in PD based on the assessment by an expert PD team (n = 150)	Usual care (general neurologist) (n = 151)	4 m 6 m 8 m	Disability, QoL Motor functioning, symptoms, caregiver burden, costs	Between group difference in favor of integrated care on disability and QoL. Differences disappeared after correction for disease severity
Dorsey et al. (2014)	Specialist care remotely at home with telemedicine (n = 11)	Usual care (general neurologist) in the clinic (n = 9)	7 m	Feasibility, QoL, costs	No between-group differences on clinical outcomes. Telemedicine was feasible and reduced costs (time and travel)
Eggers et al. (2018)	Individually tailored care plan and additional home visits by PD nurse expert (n = 150)	Usual care (general neurologist) (n = 150)	6 m	QoL, mood, motor/non-motor functioning, and cognition	Between group difference in favor of integrated care on QoL, motor and nonmotor symptoms

n, number of participants; m, months

Next steps for an integrated multidisciplinary approach in PD

Future trials need to address:

- Who should be part of the team
- Which is the best treatment plan: 'One size fits all treatment' or an individually tailored approach?
- Whether positive effects can be maintained beyond intervention
- The cost–benefit ratio of the multidisciplinary care in PD