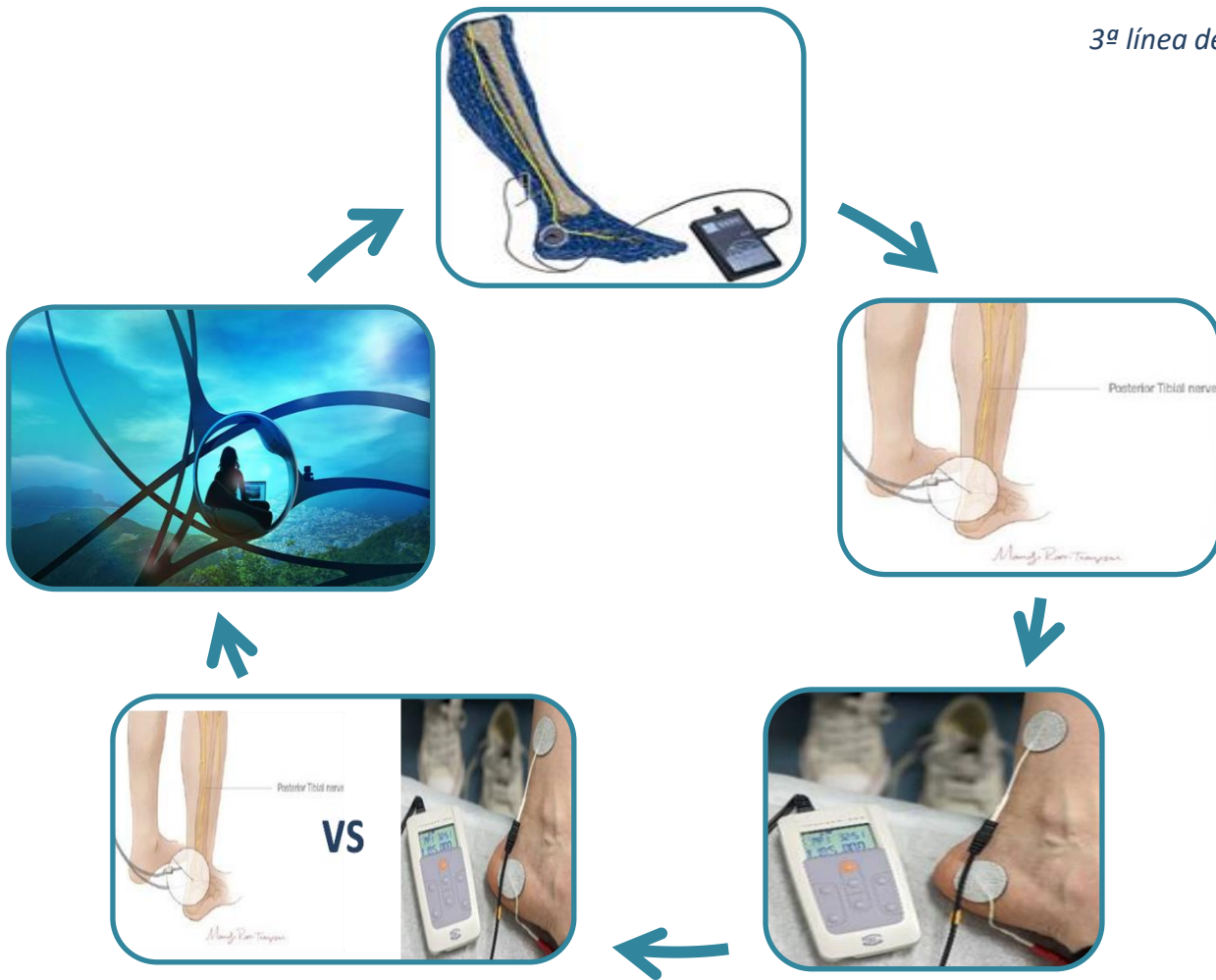
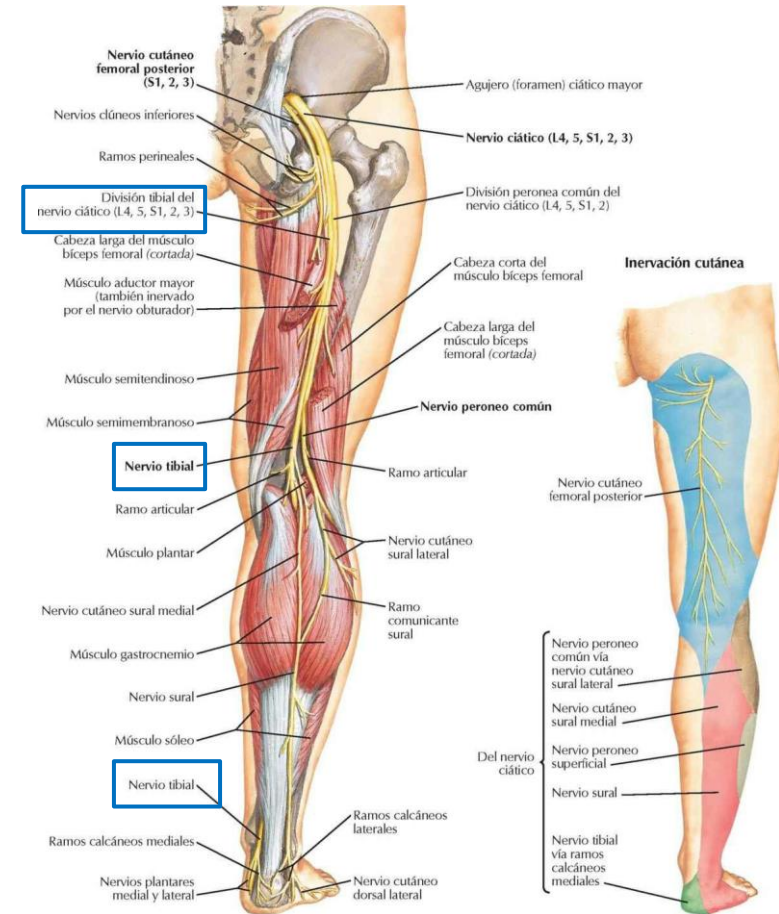
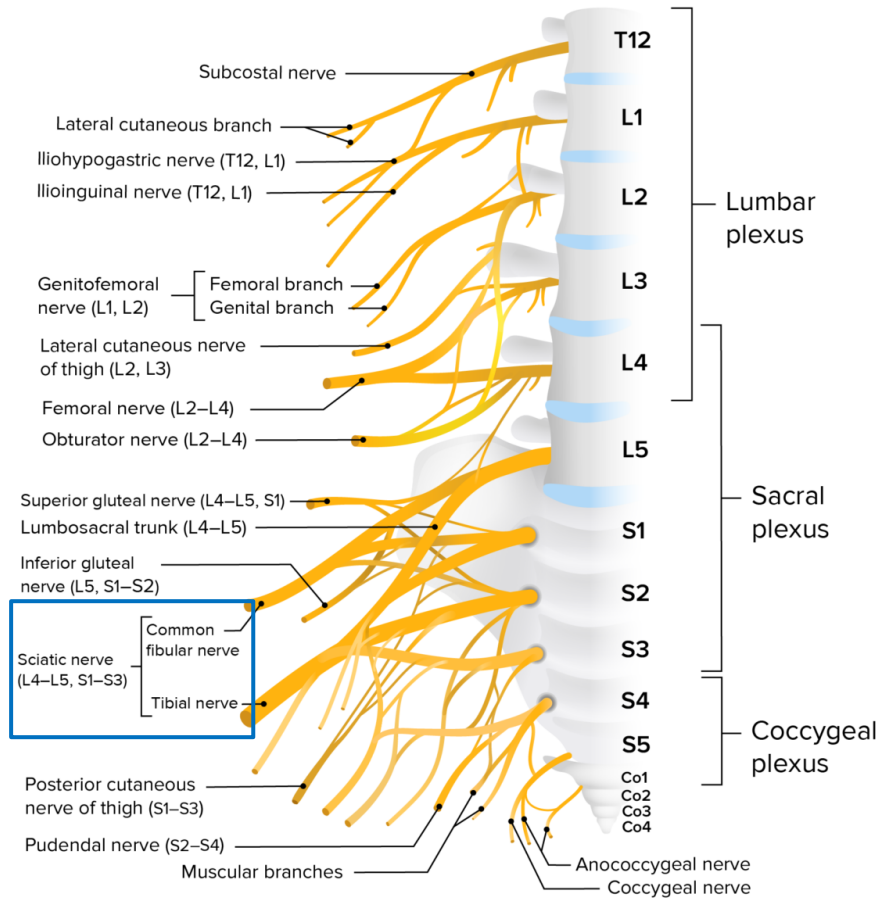


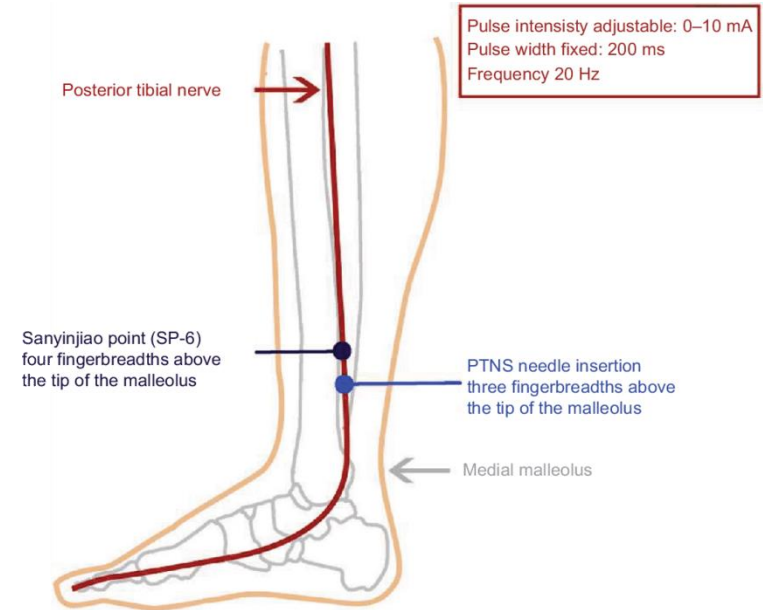


3ª línea de tratamiento en Vejiga Hiperactiva PTNS

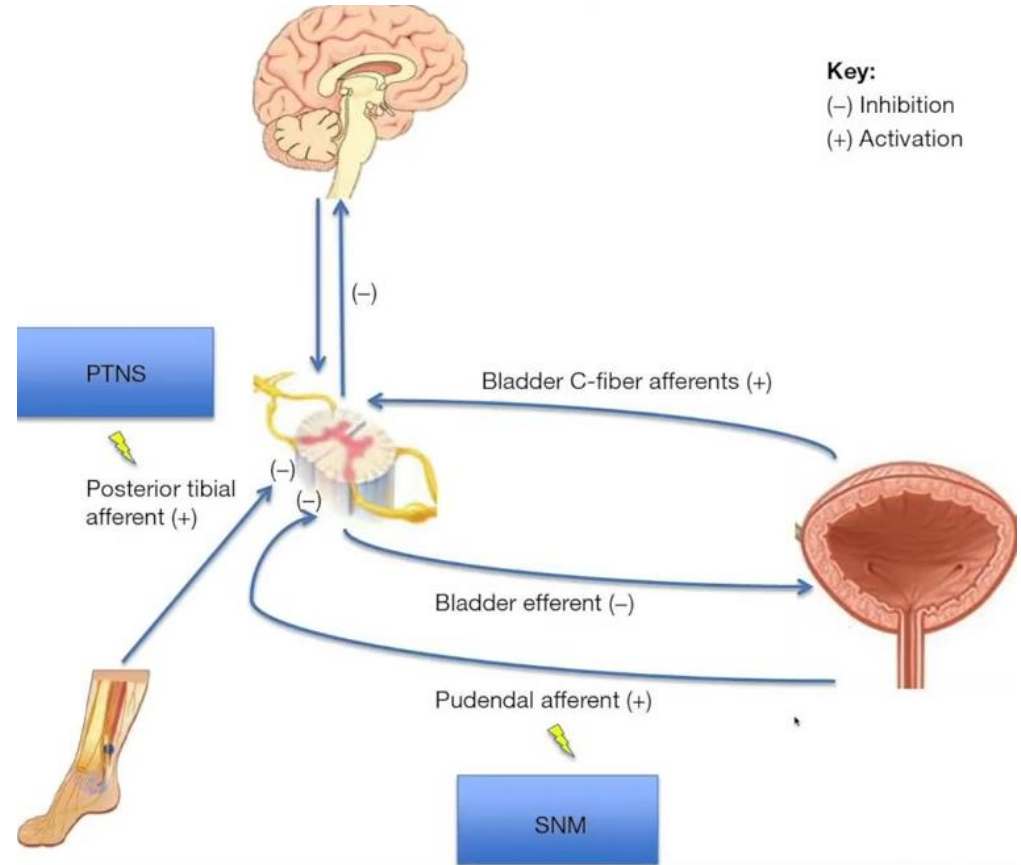
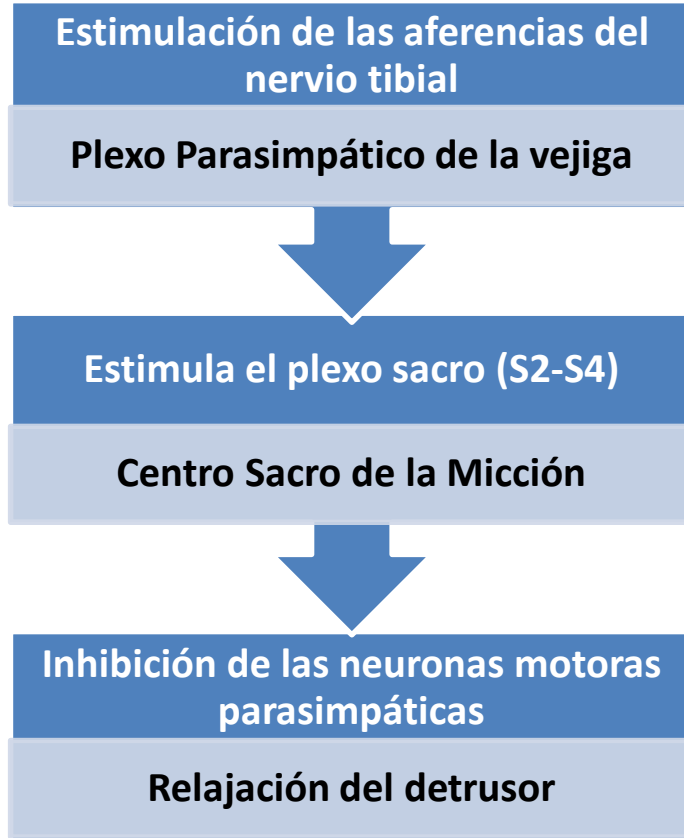




- Tratamiento mínimamente invasivo.
- Aguja 34G.
- A 5 cm en sentido cefálico desde el maléolo medial y posterior al borde de la tibia.
- 20 Hz (frec), ancho de pulso 200 μ s, estimulación a 0,5-9 mA (int).
- 12 sesiones, 1v/sem, 30 min.



Sonmez, Rafet, Necmettin Yildiz, and Hakan Alkan. "Efficacy of percutaneous and transcutaneous tibial nerve stimulation in women with idiopathic overactive bladder: A prospective randomised controlled trial." *Annals of physical and rehabilitation medicine* 65.1 (2022): 101486.



- **McGuire**, EENT ↓ hiperactividad del detrusor (1983)
- **Stoller** introdujo por primera vez la PTNS como neuromodulación del TUI en 1999, **SANS (Stoller afferent nerve stimulation)**.
- Aprobada por la **FDA** para su uso en VH en **2006**.



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A peripheric neuromodulation technique for curing detrusor overactivity: Stoller afferent neurostimulation

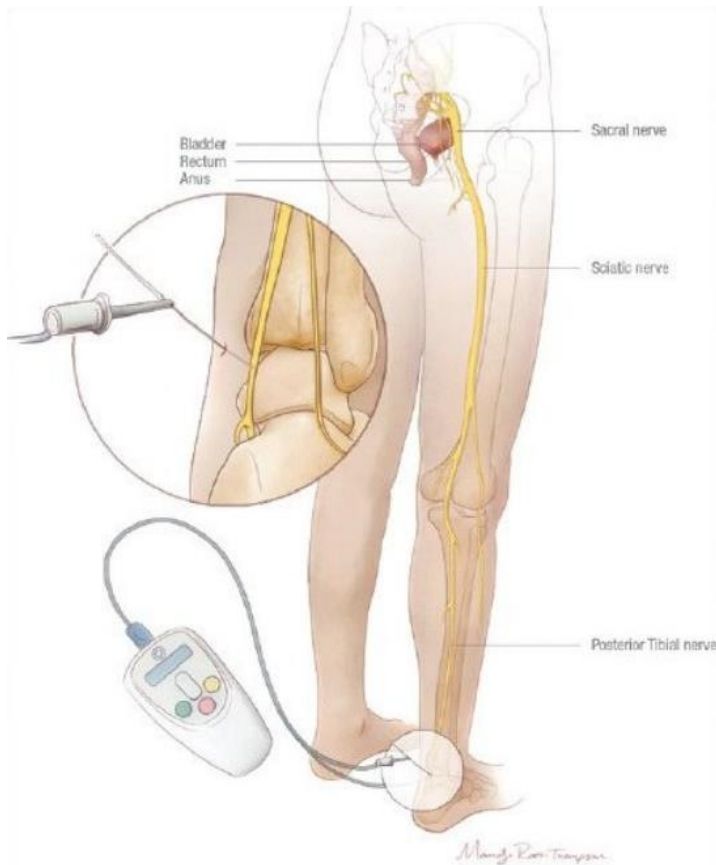
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Abstract

Objective. To perform Stoller afferent neurostimulation (SANS) with and without a low-dose anticholinergic (oxybutynin hydrochloride) in patients with detrusor overactivity and compare the results obtained with the two therapeutic approaches. *Material and methods.* A total of 43 patients with symptoms of **detrusor overactivity** (frequency, urgency, urge incontinence) underwent urodynamic studies (UDS). Those in whom UDS revealed phasic detrusor overactivity were evaluated using a quality of life questionnaire and voiding diaries. Patients were randomized into two groups: Group 1 received SANS alone; Group 2 received SANS combined with a low-dose anticholinergic (5 mg of oral oxybutynin hydrochloride). Both groups were re-evaluated following 8 weeks of therapy. *Results.* There were 21 patients in Group 1 and 22 in Group 2. The treatment response rate was 61.6% and 83.2% in Groups 1 and 2, respectively. In both groups, the best symptomatic improvements were obtained in patients with **urge incontinence**. The percentage decreases in the mean number of symptoms of **frequency and urgency** were 36.7% and 46.1%, respectively in Group 1 and 44.2% and 61.1%, respectively in Group 2. However, there were no statistically significant differences in the effects on frequency and urgency between the two groups. The anticholinergic drug was well tolerated by all patients in Group 2. One patient reported local tenderness, and a small hematoma developed in another following SANS therapy. *Conclusion.* **SANS is an easy and inexpensive therapeutic method with low morbidity in patients with an over-active bladder.** Combination with a low-dose anticholinergic increases the success rate without causing any significant side-effects.

Percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation: the Urgent PC[®] device

Michael R van Balken



Lower urinary tract disorders, with its main representative the overactive bladder, are an increasing problem that impact patients' quality of life tremendously. Neuromodulative treatment may fill the gap between conservative measures and invasive surgery. Percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation (Urgent PC[®]) is a neuromodulation technique that is minimally invasive and easy to perform. Stimulation is carried out in 12 weekly sessions of 30 min each, through a percutaneously placed needle cephalad to the medial malleolus. Success can be obtained in approximately two-thirds of patients, but the therapy has the disadvantage of the necessity of maintenance therapy. The development of a small implantable device may be the future next step in the evolution of the technique.

Expert Rev. Med. Devices 4(5), 693–698 (2007)



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Results: We included 267 Urgent PC and 234 generic patients and excluded 51 patients from analysis. A per-protocol analysis demonstrated treatment success in 55.3% (121 of 219) of the Urgent PC and 48.6% (85 of 175) of the generic cohort ($P = 0.187$). An intention-to-treat analysis showed treatment success in 45.3% (121 of 267) of the Urgent PC and 36.3% (85 of 234) of the generic cohort ($P = 0.690$). There were no significant differences in rates of starting (82.2% vs 78.2%, $P = 0.409$) or completing (79.9% vs 70.9%, $P = 0.129$) 3 months of maintenance therapy, treatment success after 3 months (78.5% vs 73.8%, $P = 0.485$), and adverse events (0.37% vs 0.85%, $P = 1.000$) in the Urgent PC versus generic group, respectively.

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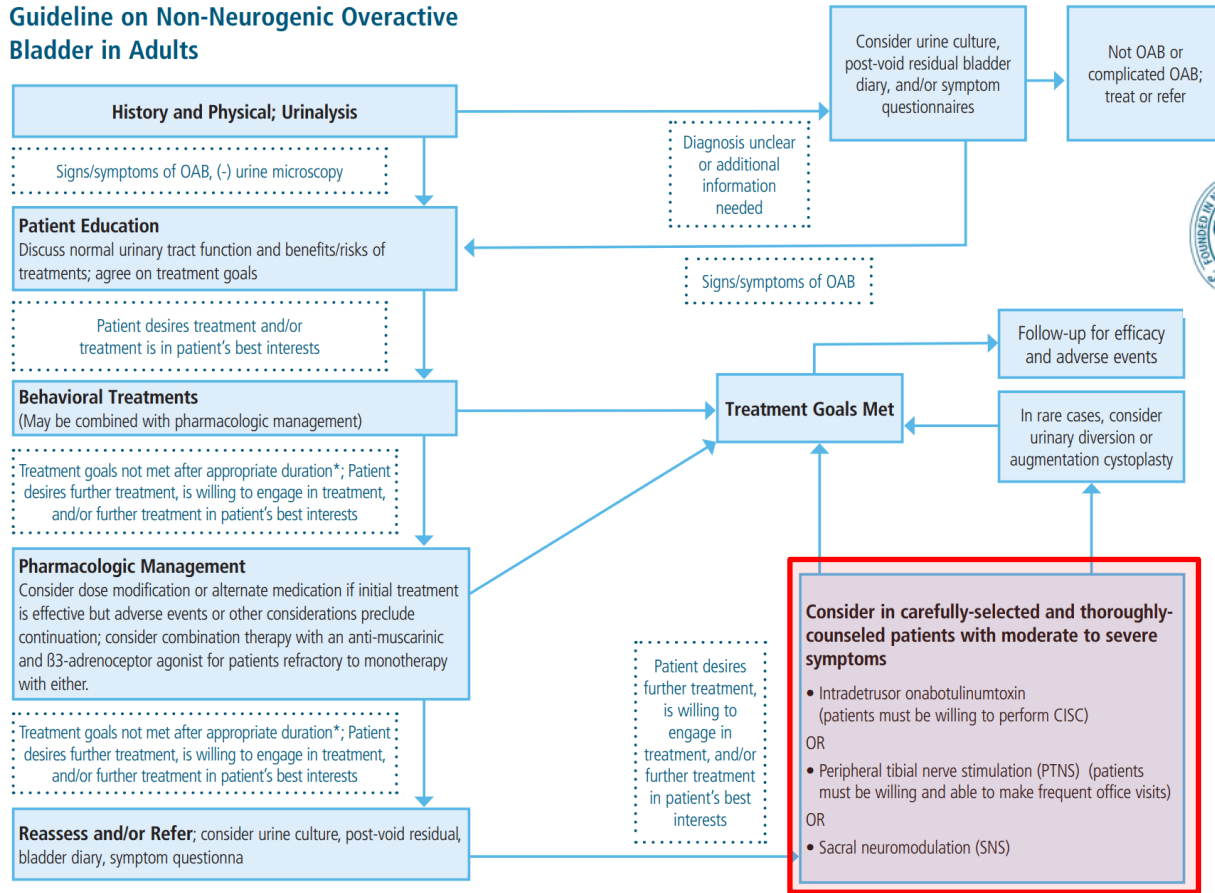
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Conclusions: In this cohort of women undergoing PTNS for nonneurogenic OAB, urgency urinary incontinence, or mixed urinary incontinence, the generic neurostimulator demonstrated noninferior rates of treatment success compared with Urgent PC.

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Diagnosis & Treatment Algorithm: AUA/SUFU Guideline on Non-Neurogenic Overactive Bladder in Adults



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The complete OAB Guideline is available at AUAnet.org/Guidelines.

This clinical framework does not require that every patient go through each line of treatment in order as there are many factors to consider when identifying the best treatment for a particular patient.

*Appropriate duration is 8 to 12 weeks for behavioral therapies and 4 to 8 weeks for pharmacologic therapies

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Third-line Treatments: PTNS and Neuromodulation

18. Clinicians may offer intradetrusor onabotulinumtoxinA (100U) as third-line treatment in the carefully-selected and thoroughly-counseled patient who has been refractory to first- and second-line OAB treatments. The patient must be able and willing to return for frequent post-void residual evaluation and able and willing to perform self-catheterization if necessary. *Standard (Evidence Strength Grade B)*
19. Clinicians may offer peripheral tibial nerve stimulation (PTNS) as third-line treatment in a carefully selected patient population. *Recommendation (Evidence Strength Grade C)*
20. Clinicians may offer sacral neuromodulation (SNS) as third-line treatment in a carefully selected patient population characterized by severe refractory OAB symptoms or patients who are not candidates for second-line therapy and are willing to undergo a surgical procedure. *Recommendation (Evidence Strength Grade C)*
21. Practitioners and patients should persist with new treatments for an adequate trial in order to determine whether the therapy is efficacious and tolerable. Combination therapeutic approaches should be assembled methodically, with the addition of new therapies occurring only when the relative efficacy of the preceding therapy is known. Therapies that do not demonstrate efficacy after an adequate trial should be ceased. *Expert Opinion*

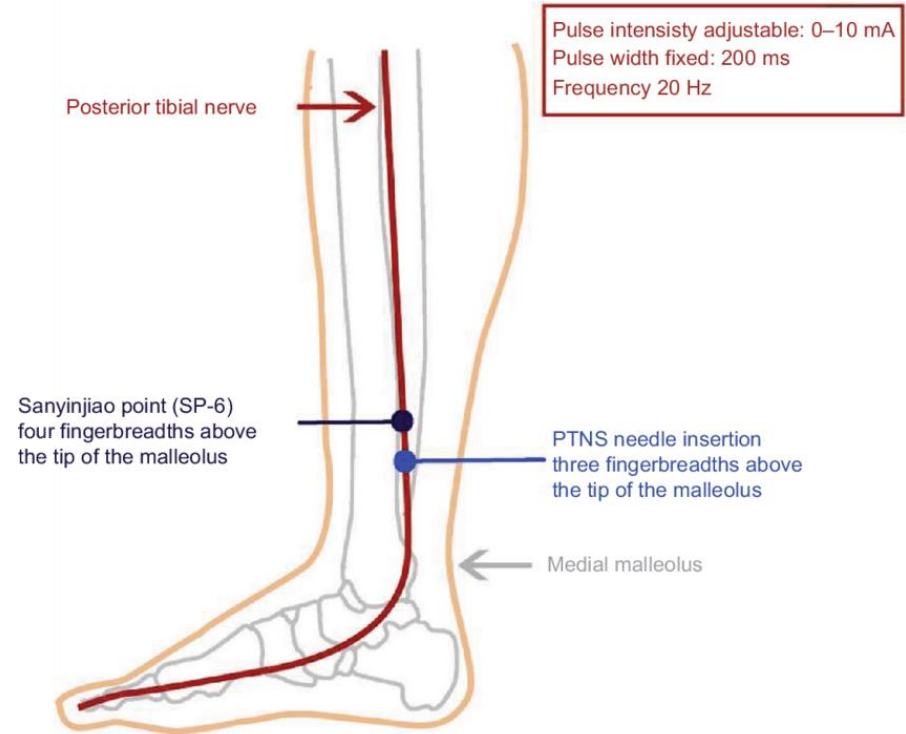
Guideline Statement 19.

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PTNS



- La PTNS:
 - Programa de tratamiento: 30 min/sem, 12 sesiones.
 - Personal capacitado.
 - Entorno clínico o de atención secundaria.
 - Compromiso significativo de tiempo y viajes por parte de los pacientes.
- El procedimiento requiere tiempo.



- Técnica:
 - **Percutánea** con una aguja fina (34-G), insertada justo encima de la cara medial del tobillo (**P-PTNS**).
 - **Transcutánea** a través de electrodos de superficie que no penetran la piel (**T-PTNS**).
- No se ha determinado el programa de tratamiento óptimo, pudiendo ser diarios y semanales.

Subjective and objective responses to PTNS and predictors for success: a retrospective cohort study of percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation for overactive bladder

Introduction and hypothesis We investigated the objective improvements in overactive bladder (OAB) symptoms in patients undergoing percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation (PTNS) and predictive factors of patient satisfaction.

Methods In this single-center retrospective cohort study at a tertiary urogynecology center, we identified all female patients who underwent PTNS therapy from 1 October 2007 – 1 January 2016 and followed them from their initial visit through medication therapy and PTNS treatments. Patients who tried at least one medication prior to starting PTNS therapy and completed at least one PTNS visit were included. Baseline demographic data, urinary data, and details of medication and PTNS therapy sessions were collected from records through chart review. Paired or two-sample *t*-tests were used to compare changes over time or groups. Bivariate and multivariable logistic regression were performed.

Results Two hundred thirteen patients underwent PTNS therapy and 183 patients met the criteria. Overall patients were able to decrease voiding frequency by 1 h, decrease nocturia episodes by 0.8, and decrease urge incontinence episodes with PTNS therapy by ten episodes per week ($p = 0.02$). Patients who continued OAB medications did not have additional improvements compared with patients who did not continue OAB medications during PTNS. Overall, 25.4% (43/169) patients reported $\geq 75\%$ improvement during PTNS therapy, and 61.5% (104/169) reported $\geq 50\%$ improvement. When evaluating predictive factors of $\geq 50\%$ overall improvement, the number of PTNS sessions increased odds of subjective success (OR = 1.8, $p = 0.004$). Other factors were not significant predictors of subjective PTNS success.

Conclusions PTNS can provide both objective and subjective improvements for patients who do not respond to OAB medication therapy.

Iyer, Shilpa, et al. "Subjective and objective responses to PTNS and predictors for success: a retrospective cohort study of percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation for overactive bladder." *International Urogynecology Journal* 30 (2019): 1253-1259.

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2019

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- Tasa de **respuesta** más alta y fue superior al grupo simulado con mejoría en la **FMD, FMN, Urg e IUU.**
- **Efecto terapéutico** continuo en un estudio retrospectivo con un seguimiento de 9 años.


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Percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation for overactive bladder syndrome: a systematic review and meta-analysis

2020

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Abstract

Introduction and hypothesis This systematic review and meta-analysis aimed to evaluate the efficacy and safety of percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation (PTNS) for the treatment of overactive bladder (OAB) syndrome.

Methods PubMed, Embase, Web of Science and Cochrane Library were searched systematically to identify all the relevant studies. Void frequency per day, nocturia frequency per day, urgency episodes per day, incontinence episodes per day, urodynamic values, success rate and side effects, etc., were extracted from the included studies and analyzed.

Results Twenty-eight studies with 2461 patients in total were included. Results showed that there was a significant clinical effect on the voiding frequency per day (MD = -2.48; 95% CI -3.19, -1.76; $P < 0.001$), nocturia frequency per day (MD = -1.57; 95% CI -2.16, -0.99; $P < 0.001$), urgency episodes per day (MD = -2.20; 95% CI -3.77, -0.62; $P = 0.006$), incontinence episodes per day (MD = -1.37; 95% CI -1.71, -1.02; $P < 0.001$), maximum cystometric capacity (MD = 63.76; 95% CI 31.90, 95.61; $P < 0.001$) and compliance (MD = 7.62; 95% CI 0.61, 14.63; $P = 0.033$). The pooled success rate was 0.68 (95% CI 0.59, 0.78). The major complication was the pain at the puncture site, but the incidence was low.

Conclusions PTNS is effective and safe in treating OAB symptoms.

Keywords Meta-analysis · Overactive bladder · Percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation · PTNS



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2020

- **Revisión sistemática y un metanálisis PTNS en VH:**
 - Mayoría de los estudios incluidos con poblaciones con una **edad media >50 años.**
 - Tasa de **respuesta del 68%.**
- **Efectos adversos:**
 - Pocos y menores, incluido dolor en el lugar de la aguja, hematomas y sangrado.



Wang, Menghua, et al. "Percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation for overactive bladder syndrome: a systematic review and meta-analysis." *International Urogynecology Journal* 31 (2020): 2457-2471.

2020

- Estudios a largo plazo muestran que la **adherencia** es **deficiente**.
 - Retrospectivo en más de 400 pacientes tratados con PTNS para la VH.
 - Solo el **57% continúa** después del tratamiento inicial de 12 semanas.
 - El **40%** de ellos **suspendió** la terapia de **mantenimiento** debido a razones logísticas y esfuerzo físico.



Te Dorsthorst, Manon J., John PFA Heesakkers, and Michael R. van Balken. "Long-term real-life adherence of percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation in over 400 patients." *Neurourology and Urodynamics* 39.2 (2020): 702-706.

Comparative Study

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Epub 2012 Nov 20.

Cost of neuromodulation therapies for overactive bladder: percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation versus sacral nerve stimulation

- El uso de la estimulación periférica percutánea es eficiente a pesar de su moderado coste. (1)



1. Martinson, Melissa, Scott MacDiarmid, and Edward Black. "Cost of neuromodulation therapies for overactive bladder: percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation versus sacral nerve stimulation." *The Journal of urology* 189.1 (2013): 210-216.

T-PTNS



2018

REVIEW ARTICLE

WILEY   

The effectiveness of transcutaneous tibial nerve stimulation (TTNS) for adults with overactive bladder syndrome: A systematic review



Aims: To evaluate effectiveness of transcutaneous tibial nerve stimulation (TTNS) for treating adults with overactive bladder (OAB) of idiopathic or neurogenic origin, using a systematic review of the literature.

Methods: Systematic searches of four databases were undertaken between 1980 and 2017. Included studies investigated effects of TTNS on OAB. Study selection, data extraction, quality appraisal was performed by two independent reviewers. Narrative analysis was undertaken where meta-analysis was not possible due to study heterogeneity. Meta-analysis of RCTs was performed using a fixed effects model.

Results: Ten RCTs and three prospective cohort studies involving 629 participants were reviewed. Meta-analysis of two trials comparing TTNS with sham showed mean reduction in total ICIQ Urinary Incontinence Short Form (ICIQ-UI SF) associated with TTNS of -3.79 (95% CI $-5.82, -1.76$; $P = 0.0003$, $I^2 = 25\%$). Narrative review showed TTNS and antimuscarinic treatment were equally effective (four trials), TTNS provided greater benefit for OAB symptoms than behavioral interventions (two trials), tibial nerve, and sacral foramen stimulation were equally effective but combined stimulation was most effective (one trial). Significant improvements in OAB symptoms were reported by 48-93% participants and UI cure rates of 25-45%. No adverse events were reported.

Conclusions: Limited evidence is provided that TTNS is an effective, safe intervention for idiopathic OAB in adults and may be of benefit in those with neurogenic OAB. Further studies are essential to confirm these results as well as to determine efficacy and associated costs for specific patient groups, most effective stimulation dosage, duration of effect, and stimulation regimes for longer-term maintenance.

Booth, Joanne, et al. "The effectiveness of transcutaneous tibial nerve stimulation (TTNS) for adults with overactive bladder syndrome: a systematic review." *Neurourology and urodynamics* 37.2 (2018): 528-541.

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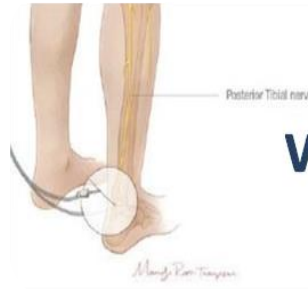


The effectiveness of transcutaneous tibial nerve stimulation (TTNS) for adults with overactive bladder syndrome: A systematic review

- Dada su seguridad, bajo costo, facilidad de aplicación y potencial para **respaldar la autoadministración**, existe un claro impulso para que se realicen más investigaciones para establecer evidencia definitiva sobre el papel de la **TTNS** como terapia de **segunda línea**, después de que se hayan implementado cambios en el estilo de vida, comportamentales y como **alternativa directa al tratamiento farmacológico en adultos con VH**.



P-PTNS vs T-PTNS



VS



2019

- Un **ECA de no inferioridad** que comparó **T-PTNS** con **P-PTNS** informó mejoras significativas en la **frecuencia diurna**, la **urgencia** y los episodios de **IUU** sin diferencias significativas entre los brazos de tratamiento después de 12 semanas de tratamiento.



Ramírez-García, Inés, et al. "Efficacy of transcutaneous stimulation of the posterior tibial nerve compared to percutaneous stimulation in idiopathic overactive bladder syndrome: randomized control trial." *Neurourology and urodynamics* 38.1 (2019): 261-268.

Treatment for overactive bladder

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Results: A total of 4 trials (2 randomized controlled trials, 1 retrospective study, and 1 before-after study) with 142 patients were eventually enrolled. Compared with PTNS, TTNS had a similar performance in the voiding frequency in 24 hours (mean difference [MD] = -0.65 , 95% confidence interval [CI]: -1.35 to 0.05 , $P = .07$), the number of urgency episodes in 24 hours (MD = 0.13 , 95% CI: -0.36 to 0.62 , $P = .60$), the number of incontinence episodes in 24 hours (MD = 0.01 , 95% CI: -0.13 to 0.14 , $P = .93$), as well as in the nocturia frequency (MD = -0.14 , 95% CI: -0.52 to 0.24 , $P = .47$). Moreover, comparable results were observed regarding HRQL scores ($P = .23$) and incontinence quality of life scores ($P = .10$) in both groups. The total complication rate in the current study was 2.1% (3/142). No adverse events were identified in the TTNS group.

Conclusion: Current data supported that TTNS is as effective as PTNS for the treatment of overactive bladder, moreover, with no reported adverse events. However, the evidence is low-grade and well-designed prospective studies with a large sample size are warranted to verify our findings.

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Characteristics of included studies.

Study (year)	Design	Duration (year)	Group	N (women/men)	Age (years)	Treatment protocol	Stimulation parameters	Follow-up
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			PTNS	25/9	56.8 ± 16	30 min/wk	20Hz and 200 cycles	12 wk
Martin-García (2019)	RCT	2015–2016	TTNS	12/0	54 ± 12	≥30 min × 3/wk	20Hz and 200 cycles	6 mo
			PTNS	12/0	58 ± 10	30 min/4 wk	20Hz and 200 cycles	6 mo
Alfonso Barrera (2013)	R	2011–2012	TTNS	21/0	–	30 min/wk	20Hz and 200 cycles	12 wk
			PTNS	13/0	–	30 min/wk	20Hz and 200 cycles	12 wk
Maurelli (2012)	Before and after	–	TTNS	13/3	–	30 min/wk	20Hz and 200 cycles	19.7 mo
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Results: A total of 4 trials (2 randomized controlled trials, 1 retrospective study, and 1 before-after study) with 142 patients were eventually enrolled. Compared with PTNS, TTNS had a similar performance in the voiding frequency in 24 hours (mean difference [MD] = -0.65, 95% confidence interval [CI]: -1.35 to 0.05, $P = .07$), the number of urgency episodes in 24 hours (MD = 0.13, 95% CI: -0.36 to 0.62, $P = .60$), the number of incontinence episodes in 24 hours (MD = 0.01, 95% CI: -0.13 to 0.14, $P = .93$), as well as in the nocturia frequency (MD = -0.14, 95% CI: -0.52 to 0.24, $P = .47$). Moreover, comparable results were observed regarding HRQL

Conclusion: Current data supported that **TTNS is as effective as PTNS** for the treatment of overactive bladder, moreover, **with no reported adverse events**. However, the evidence is low-grade and well-designed prospective studies with a large sample size are warranted to verify our findings.

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Abbreviations: AEs = adverse events, I-QoL = incontinence quality of life questionnaire, OAB = overactive bladder, PTNS = percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation, TTNS = transcutaneous tibial nerve stimulation.

Keywords: overactive bladder, percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation, transcutaneous tibial nerve stimulation



- Aunque la **percutánea** ha demostrado ser eficaz y aceptable, la alternativa con estimulación **transcutánea** puede ser más **cómoda y factible**.
- **PTNS y TTNS** tuvieron efectos clínicos **similares**.
- El tratamiento no invasivo para **TTNS reemplaza** las agujas finas con electrodos de superficie.





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- No hubo una diferencia estadísticamente significativa entre **PTNS** y **TTNS** en la mejora de la **frecuencia de micción diurna**.
- La **PTNS** fue mejor que la TTNS para **mejorar la nocturia**, posiblemente porque la aguja fina permite que la estimulación eléctrica actúe directamente sobre el nervio y el efecto es más preciso. 
- **PTNS** tiene más **reacciones adversas** que TTNS. 

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- El análisis combinado de tres ensayos **no mostró diferencias** entre la estimulación **intravaginal** y la estimulación transcutánea del nervio tibial posterior (**T-PTNS**) en términos de **frecuencia urinaria, nocturia y calidad de vida**.



- Estos dos métodos de estimulación del nervio tibial tuvieron una **eficacia clínica similar**.
- **Diferencias:** la **T-PTNS** tuvo un **tiempo de preparación más corto**, **menos nivel de incomodidad** y una **mayor satisfacción** del paciente que la **P-PTNS**.



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- La PTNS se puede utilizar de forma **segura** antes del tratamiento invasivo en la **VH resistente** y fue más **efectiva** si se usaba **tres veces por semana** que realizarla una vez por semana en pacientes con VH refractaria.

PTNS implantado



- Se están investigando varios estimuladores **implantables** del nervio tibial para obtener la aprobación de la FDA para la VH.
- Pueden eliminar los problemas logísticos de la terapia de mantenimiento con PTNS y una terapia más eficaz con **estimulación continua o semicontinua**.

Review of New Implantable Tibial Nerve Stimulators in Comparison to Established Third Line Treatment Modalities for Nonneurogenic Overactive Bladder

Introduction: New technologies are currently evolving in the treatment of overactive bladder syndrome, giving physicians and patients additional options when conservative care fails to resolve symptoms. The purpose of this review is to compare the prospective clinical data of the new small implantable devices stimulating the tibial nerve to recent prospective clinical studies of sacral nerve stimulation, percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation and botulinum toxin injection, which are currently the most established third line treatment modalities in overactive bladder syndrome.

Methods: A literature search on PubMed®/MEDLINE® was performed for new technologies in neuromodulation to improve overactive bladder syndrome. Additionally, a search was performed for all currently established third line treatment options for comparison of treatment results. The reported prospective clinical data were statistically compared using Fisher's exact test.

Results: Two new small implantable devices that stimulate the tibial nerve have been reported over the recent years, BlueWind RENOVA™ and eCoin™. These new implantable devices that stimulate the tibial nerve show very comparable 3-month and 6-month clinical success rates regarding reduction of urinary incontinence episodes when compared to well-established treatment options such as sacral nerve stimulation, percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation and botulinum toxin injections.

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Conclusions: The 2 new small implantable devices stimulating the tibial nerve, BlueWind RENOVA and eCoin, show **promising clinical results**. Both devices are currently undergoing U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval and 1-year followup data should soon be available. Still more clinical data with larger patient cohorts and multicenter studies are necessary to verify the therapeutic efficacy of these new small implantable devices. If confirmed these new small implantable neuromodulation devices may become well-established in the treatment of patients with overactive bladder syndrome.

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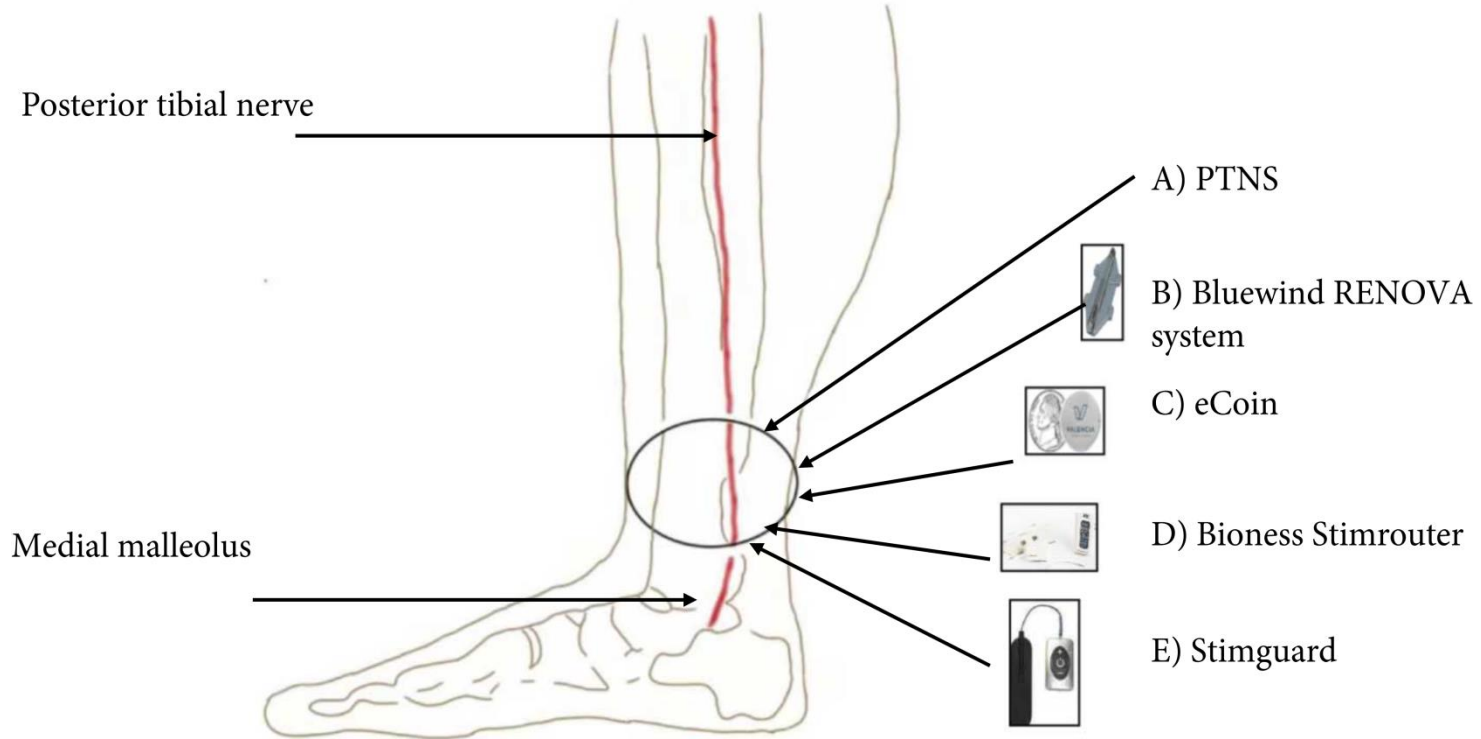
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Size	15 cm	15 cm	2.3 cm	2.5 cm	12 cm
Duration of stimulation	Daily or weekly	Up to 12 hours / day	30 min / 2-15 days,	30 minutes tid	8 hours / day
Pulse width (µsec)	70-560	7-500		50-800	50-500
Pulse amplitude (mA)	27	1-200	0.5-15	0-9	0-15
Pulse rate (Hz)	1			0-40	2-1500
External component	TENS – External pulse generator with adhesive surface electrodes.	Adhesive external pulse transmitter. Patient programmer.	No external component.	Wearable unit with leg band.	External device in a sleeve at the ankle.
Energy transfer	Trans-cutaneous	Electrical field through surface electrodes.	Battery powered.	Magnetic resonance 6.78 MHz ISM band Closed-loop	Magnetic resonance 915 MHz ISM band Open-loop

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Advantage	1. No surgery.	1. 8 Treatment programs. 2. Computerized feedback on use. 3. No implanted battery.	1. Operates automatically. 2. Leadless.	1. Tailored settings. 2. No migration. 3. Computerized feedback on use. 4. Leadless. 5. No implanted battery.	1. Treatment overnight. 2. Tailored settings. 3. No implanted battery.
Disadvantage	1. Fixed amplitude and frequency. 2. High impedance. 3. No computerized feedback.	1. Loss of energy due to use of surface gel pads. 2. Long lead requiring tunneling.	1. Non-rechargeable battery. 2. Fixed stimulation parameters. 3. Requires replacement surgeries. 4. No computerized feedback on use		1. No anchoring system. 2. Long lead requiring tunneling.

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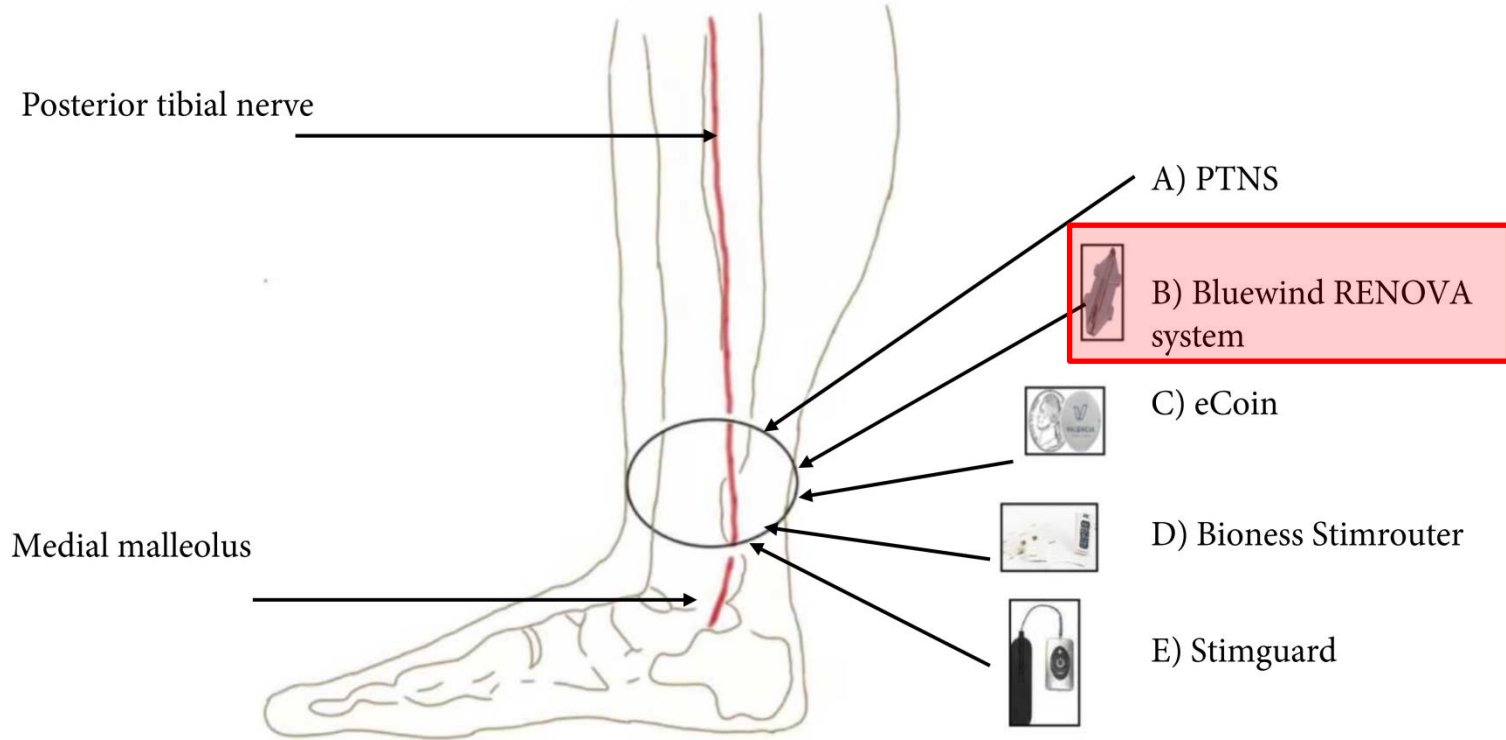
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BlueWind Medical RENOVA™ iStim Neurostimulation Device for OAB



Proven efficacy, proven results

In the OASIS pivotal study, Revi demonstrated significant reductions in UII episodes after 6 months of treatment in the ITT population ($P < .0001$). In the Completers analysis* (N=139) at 12 months, Revi demonstrated:¹

82%

patients had **≥ 50% reduction** in UII episodes.

67%

of patients had **≥ 75% reduction** in UII episodes.

50%

of patients were **dry** on 3 consecutive days.

<https://bluewindmedical.com/providers/revi-for-uu/>

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Revi Implant has a battery-free design, allowing it to be miniature in size at only 3 cm in length and 3 mm in diameter. This tibial implant delivers reliable and long-lasting performance in a compact form factor.

3-Year Followup of a New Implantable Tibial Nerve Stimulator for the Treatment of Overactive Bladder Syndrome



Purpose: We evaluated the 3-year safety and efficacy of the BlueWind Medical RENOVA™ iStim system for the treatment of overactive bladder syndrome.

Materials and methods: All patients who previously underwent implantation with the RENOVA system were offered continued participation. The primary long-term study end point was to evaluate the **safety profile** based on incidence of serious adverse events (system and/or procedure related), which was measured by the impact and frequency of serious adverse events. The secondary end points included **clinical improvement** compared to baseline and **quality of life improvement** compared to baseline at 36 months, which was measured by 3-day voiding diary and quality of life questionnaires at certain time points.

Results: Of the 34 patients with overactive bladder syndrome who previously underwent implantation with the RENOVA system 20 consented to continuation in this 3-year followup study. Mean patient age was 56.1 years and 80% (16) of the study cohort was female. The overall treatment success rate was 75% at 36 months in the per protocol (16) and the intent to treat (20) analyses. In total, **73% of the patients reported improvement** in health related quality of life scores above the minimal important difference of 10 points.



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Conclusions: This 3-year followup study using the BlueWind RENOVA iStim system for the treatment of overactive bladder syndrome symptoms confirms the **long-term good safety profile with no technical failures reported.** Lasting treatment efficacy is mirrored by a sustained positive impact on patient quality of life.

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Abstract

Purpose: The aim of this study was to demonstrate features predictive of treatment response for patient-tailored overactive bladder (OAB) intervention with an implantable tibial neurostimulator using patient and technical prediction factors.

Materials and Methods: This study was designed as a follow-up study based on parameter settings and patients' preferences during the pilot and extended study of the implantable tibial nerve stimulator (RENOVA™ iStim system). For this study, we compared all treatment parameters (stimulation amplitude, frequency, and pulse width) and usage data (duration of treatment) during the different follow-up visits.

Results: We obtained usage data from a total of 32 patients who were implanted with the system between February and September 2015. Age, sex, body mass index (BMI) and previous experience with percutaneous tibial nerve stimulation (PTNS) treatment were considered as possible prediction factors for treatment success. However, only BMI was considered a statistically significant prediction factor ($p = 0.042$). A statistically significant increase in mean treatment level was seen in the responder group during the 3 month follow-up visit (mean: 6.7 mA, SD 0.416) as compared with the initial system activation visit (mean: 5.8 mA, SD 0.400) ($p = 0.049$). No other visits demonstrated statistically significant changes in both groups (responders and non-responders) during the defined timepoints.

Conclusion: This data underscores the need to use patient-tailored OAB treatment. BMI was found to be a negative predictive factor for treatment success. However, it was not possible to develop a specific responder model. A model predicting response to treatment could be useful for implementing shared decision making.

Patient-tailored healthcare and tibial nerve neuromodulation in the treatment of patients with overactive bladder symptoms



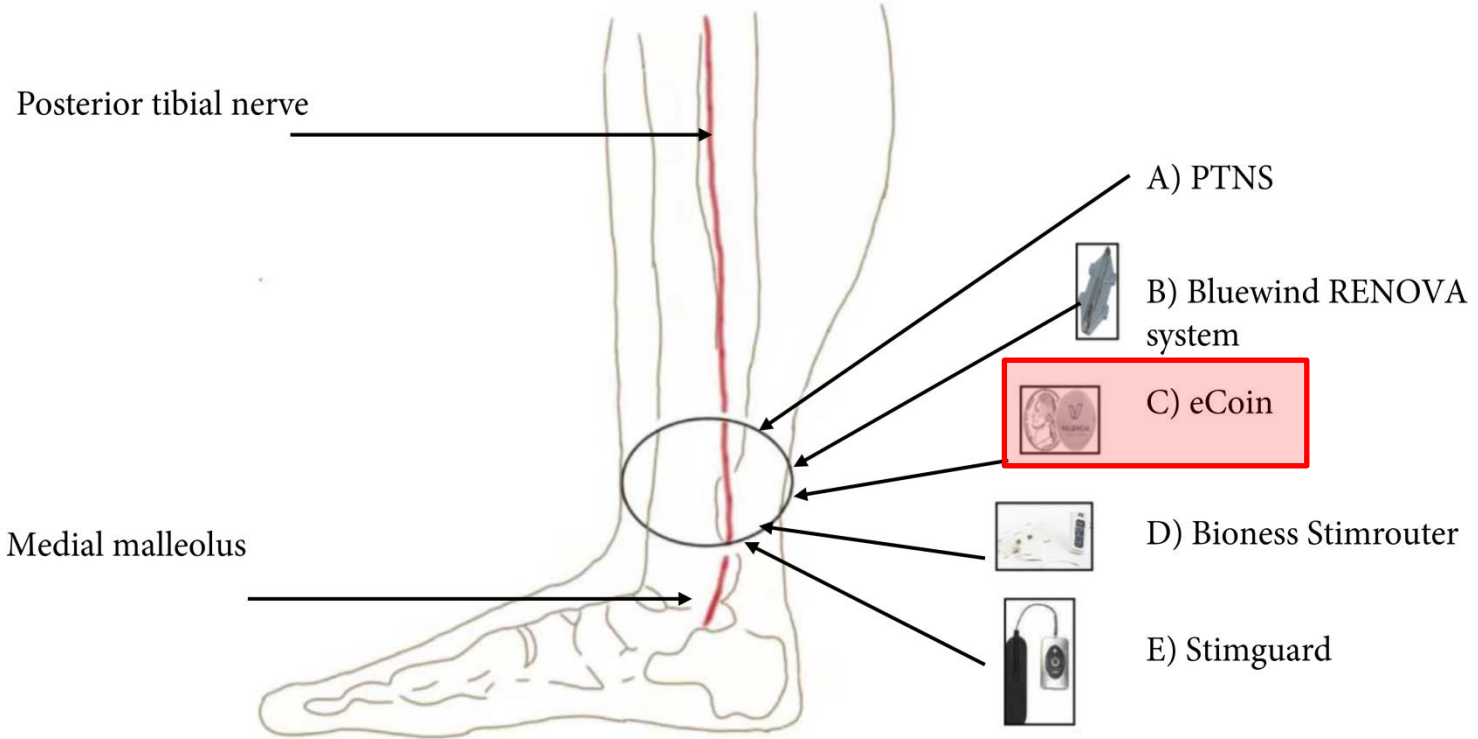
5 | CONCLUSION

It was not possible to develop a specific responder model for OAB treatment using an implantable tibial neurostimulation system. A responder model could be useful for implementing shared decision making with the patient. Although similar to other neuromodulation reports, BMI was found to be a negative prediction factor for this treatment modality, no other predictive factors could be obtained. The need for patient-tailored healthcare is critical and might improve the long-term treatment outcome and compliance for each patient. Possibly new multicenter studies with a larger number of patients will shed light on a better predictive model in the treatment of OAB using an implantable tibial neurostimulation device.

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- El dispositivo **automático**:
 - 30 minutos/2d durante 12 semanas.
 - Posteriormente: 1/15d.
 - El paciente no tiene acción para iniciar una sesión de tratamiento.
 - Controlador externo para cambiar la amplitud de 0,5 a 15 mA.
- Otros parámetros son fijos: pulso ancho de 0,2 milisegundos y frecuencia de pulso de 20 milisegundos.

2019

MacDiarmid, Scott, et al. "Feasibility of a fully implanted, nickel sized and shaped tibial nerve stimulator for the treatment of overactive bladder syndrome with urgency urinary incontinence." *The Journal of Urology* 201.5 (2019): 967-972.

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Clinical Trial

➤ [Urology](#). 2021 Nov;157:71-78. doi: 10.1016/j.urology.2021.04.039.

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Twelve-month Durability of a Fully-implanted, Nickel-sized and Shaped Tibial Nerve Stimulator for the Treatment of Overactive Bladder Syndrome with Urgency Urinary Incontinence: A Single-Arm, Prospective Study

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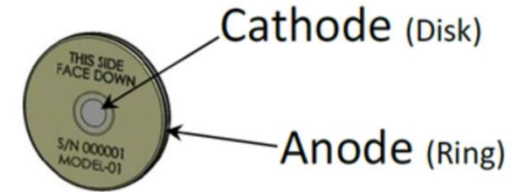
Neuroestimulador periférico eCoin – P200036

Nombre del producto: Neuroestimulador periférico eCoin®

Solicitante: Valencia Technologies Corporation

Dirección: 28464 Westinghouse Place Valencia, CA 91355

Fecha de aprobación: 1 de marzo de 2022



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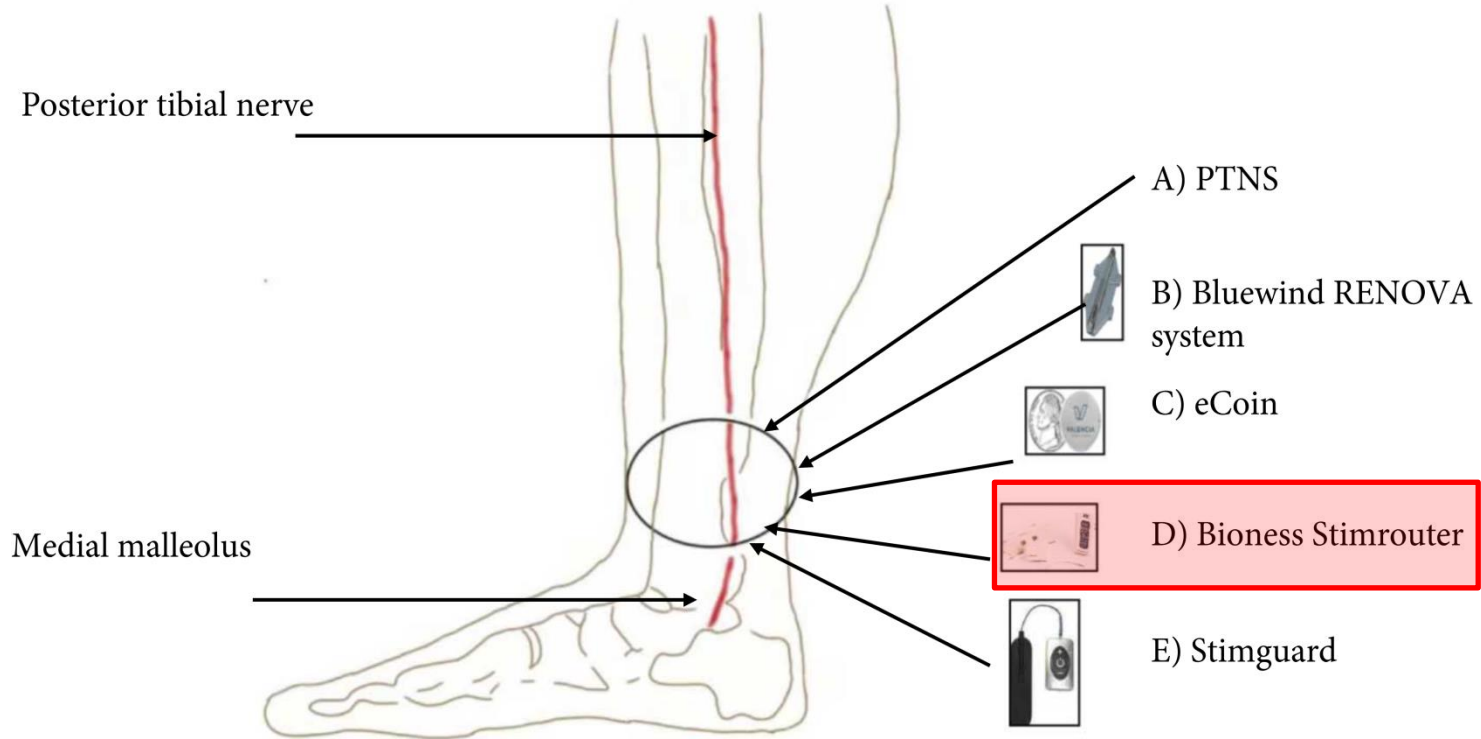
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- Bioness StimRouter es un cable transcutáneo hecho a medida alimentado por un generador de impulsos externo (EPG). Un receptor, electrodos y un sistema de anclaje están incluidos en el plomo implantado.



The Implanted Lead

A small lead is implanted during a minimally invasive outpatient procedure.



External Pulse Transmitter (EPT) and Disposable User Patch

The EPT delivers electrical signals through the skin to the implanted StimRouter lead. The EPT can store up to eight custom stimulation programs. The EPT attaches into the disposable user patch, transmitting stimulation through the patch's gel electrodes.



Patient Programmer

After the implant procedure and initial programming, patients are empowered to manage their symptoms by using a wireless external programmer.

2017

Overactive Bladder Treatment Using StimRouter Neuromodulation System: A Prospective Randomized Trial

Study Type ⓘ : Interventional (Clinical Trial)

Estimated Enrollment ⓘ : 180 participants

Allocation: Randomized

Intervention Model: Parallel Assignment

Masking: Triple (Participant, Care Provider, Investigator)

Masking Description: The implanting investigator, the study subjects, and the individuals who assess the outcome measures for each subject will be blinded to the subjects' randomization groups. Each study site's programmers will be unblinded to the randomization assignment and will receive each subject's randomization assignment. The programmers will then set the stimulation parameters and train the subjects on device use.

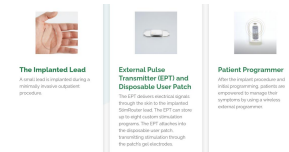
Primary Purpose: Treatment

Official Title: Prospective, Multi-Center, Randomized, Double-Blinded Trial of Percutaneous Tibial Nerve Stimulation With the Bioness StimRouter Neuromodulation System Versus Sham in the Treatment of Overactive Bladder (OAB)

Actual Study Start Date ⓘ : February 10, 2017

Estimated Primary Completion Date ⓘ : July 30, 2021

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ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT02873312

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Recruitment Status ⓘ : Unknown

Verified July 2020 by Bioness Inc.

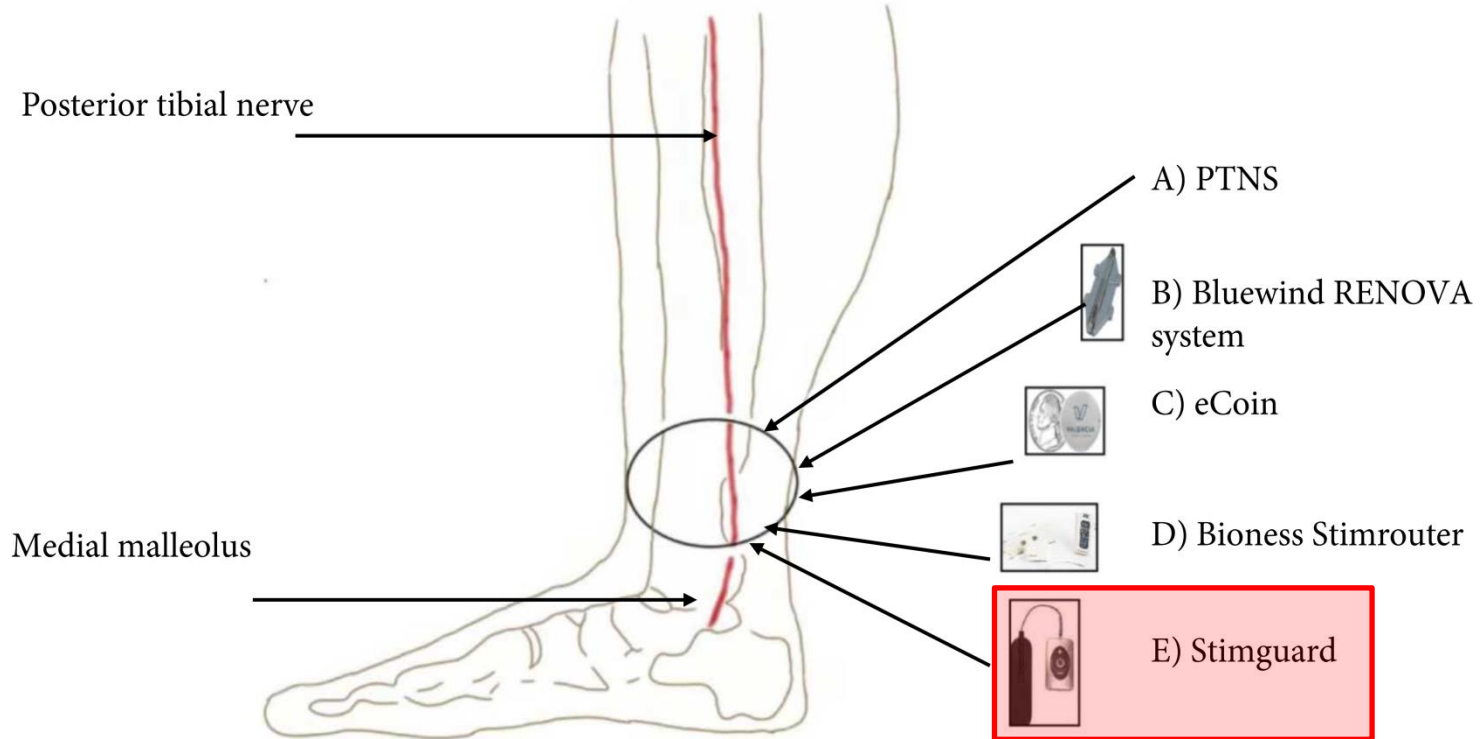
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Last Update Posted ⓘ : January 29, 2021

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E) Stimguard



StimGuard Announces Corporate Name Change to **Micron Medical** and Appointment of CEO as part of Expansive Executive Management Team
Micron Medical Expects U.S. Commercial Launch of Protect PNS for Treatment of Overactive Bladder in Q3 2020

Published: Apr 03, 2020

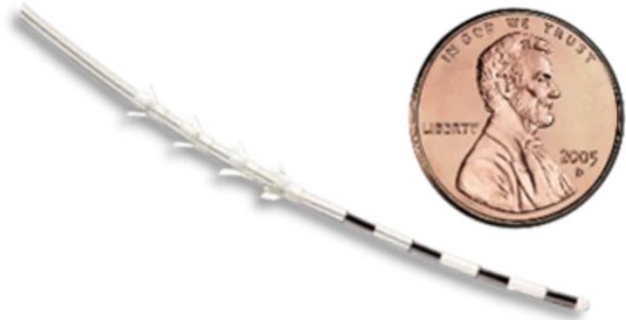


CAUTION-Investigational Device. Limited by Federal or U.S. law to investigational use



Uro Medical Corporation Acquires Micron Medical and Initiates the FDA IDE Approved “Guardian” RCT of the Protect PNS Injectable Tibial Stimulator for Treatment of Overactive Bladder

Published: Jul 06, 2021



PROTECT STUDY FOR OVERACTIVE BLADDER (OAB)

Actively Recruiting Patients

Protect PNS is being studied for the treatment of urgency urinary incontinence. OAB is characterized by symptoms including urgency, frequency, nocturia and often associated with a leakage of urine.



GUARDIAN STUDY FOR OVERACTIVE BLADDER (OAB)

Now Actively Recruiting

Protect PNS is being studied for the treatment of urgency urinary incontinence associated with OAB for patients who have failed pharmaceutical treatment. OAB is characterized by symptoms including urgency, frequency, nocturia and often with a leakage of urine.





Patients – Getting you back to doing the things you love


- At home, non-invasive therapy for urge urinary incontinence and urinary urgency without the need for surgery, implants, or drugs.
- Quick and convenient – 30 minutes as little as once per week – when you want to
- Personalized treatment calibrated to your EMG signal


<https://avation.com/vivally-system/>

RECRUITING 

A Sham-Controlled Study to Evaluate the Safety and Efficacy of a Smart, Self-Adjusting, Surgery-Free, Wearable **Bladder** Neuromodulation System for **Overactive Bladder** (REDUCEOAB)

ClinicalTrials.gov ID  NCT05381116

Sponsor  Avation Medical, Inc.

Information provided by  Avation Medical, Inc. (Responsible Party)

Last Update Posted  2022-05-19

STUDY START (ACTUAL) 

2022-04-14

PRIMARY COMPLETION (ESTIMATED) 

2025-01

STUDY COMPLETION (ESTIMATED) 

2025-03

ENROLLMENT (ESTIMATED) 

150

STUDY TYPE 

Interventional



Study Overview

Brief Summary:

This is a prospective, multi-center, sham-controlled study comparing the safety and effectiveness of the self-adjusting, surgery-free, wearable Active System to a Sham System on adult Subjects diagnosed with OAB.

OFFICIAL TITLE

A Prospective, Sham-Controlled, Safety and Efficacy Study of a Smart, Self-Adjusting, Surgery-Free, Wearable **Bladder** Modulation and Digital Health System With Objective Confirmation of Nerve Activation for Use in Home by Subjects With **Overactive Bladder Syndrome**

CONDITIONS

Overactive Bladder

Urinary Urge Incontinence

Urge Incontinence




INTERVENTION / TREATMENT

Device: Avation System

Device: Sham Avation System

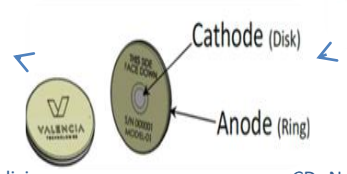
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BlueWind Medical RENOVA™ iStim Neurostimulation Device for OA.



Posterior tibial nerve stimulation for overactive bladder—techniques and efficacy

2020

- La **evidencia** muestra que los resultados de PTNS mejoran los **síntomas** de la VH a **corto y largo plazo**.
- Los **efectos secundarios** de este tratamiento son **más tolerables** que los observados con **antimuscarínicos** como sequedad de boca y estreñimiento.
- Procedimiento de implante de **un solo paso menos invasivo** en comparación con la terapia de neuromodulación sacra.



Bhide, Alka A., et al. "Posterior tibial nerve stimulation for overactive bladder—techniques and efficacy." *International urogynecology journal* 31 (2020): 865-870.

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- La **SNM** se consideraba el tratamiento de tercera línea para pacientes con VH, pero ha logrado menores avances.
 - **Deficiencias**: Tamaño del dispositivo SNM, coste, exposición a la radiación para implantar su cable cerca de un nervio sacro, y dos cirugías .
 - **Complicaciones** a corto y largo plazo: alrededor del 30-40% requieren retirada y reemplazo.
- **PTNS** aprobado para el tratamiento de pacientes con VH muestra un alto **progreso tecnológico, rentabilidad y sostenibilidad** con **menos eventos adversos** que **SNM**.

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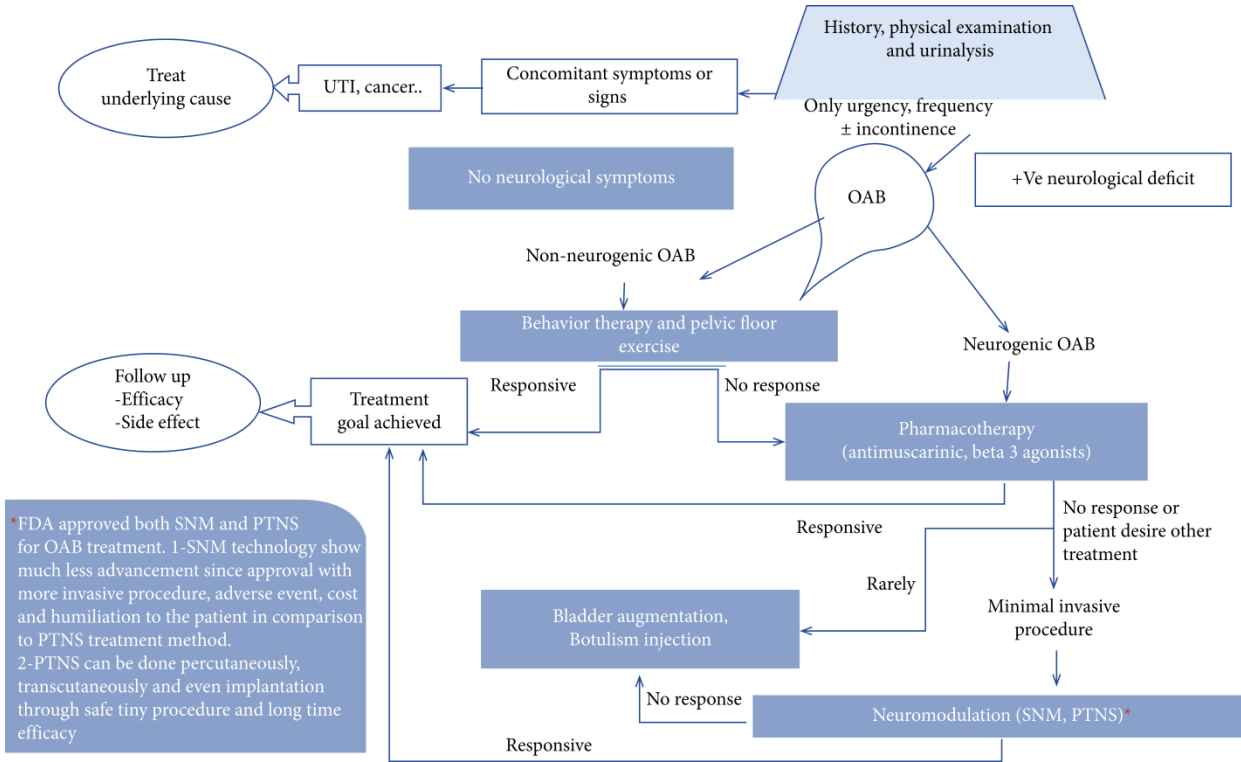
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- Las nuevas tecnologías **implantables** demuestran resultados prometedores en términos de **eficacia**, **tolerancia** del paciente y **reducir la carga** sobre los médicos y el sistema sanitario.
- Este resultado se basa en ensayos a corto plazo; se requiere **investigación adicional** para demostrar **eficacia y seguridad a largo plazo y a gran escala**.



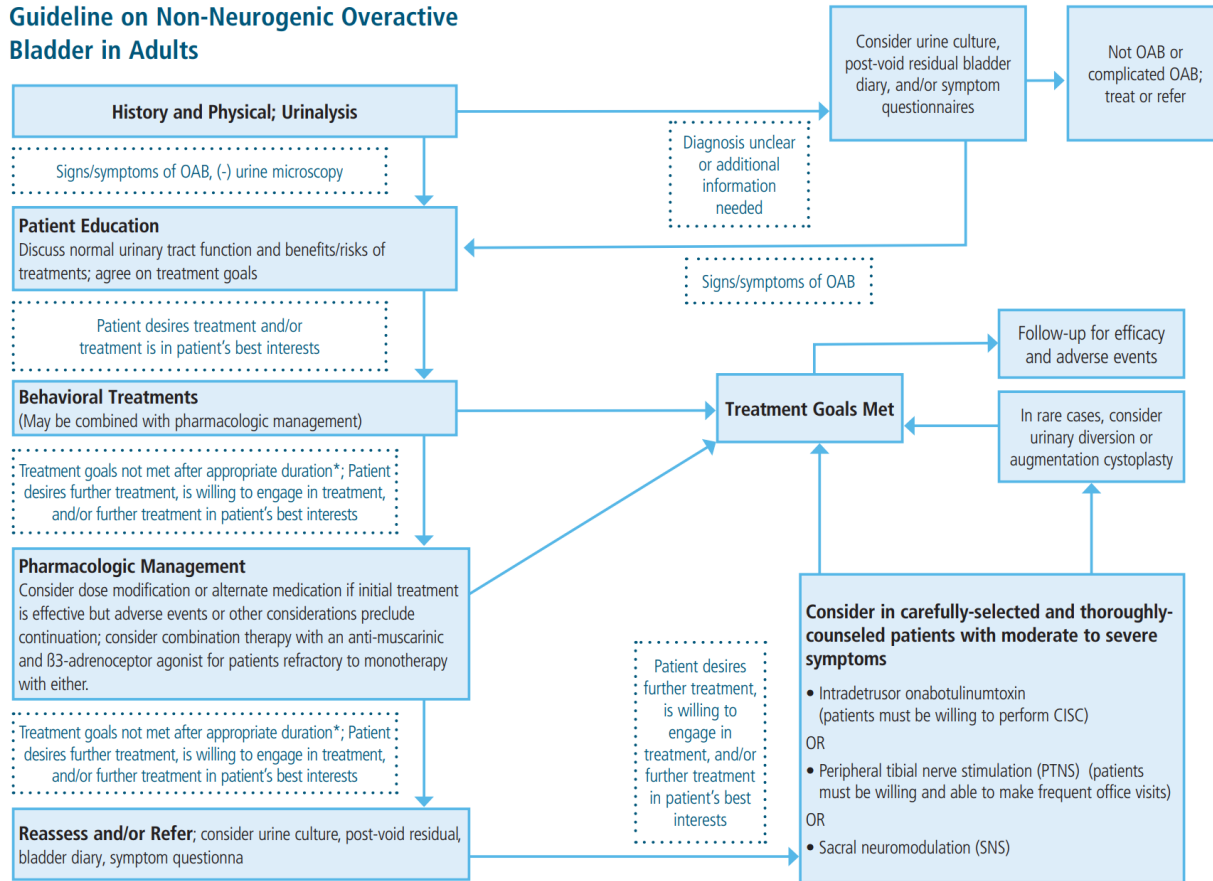
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Al-Danakh, Abdullah et al. "Posterior Tibial Nerve Stimulation for Overactive Bladder: Mechanism, Classification, and Management Outlines." *Parkinson's disease* vol. 2022 2700227. 16 Mar. 2022.

Diagnosis & Treatment Algorithm: AUA/SUFU Guideline on Non-Neurogenic Overactive Bladder in Adults



The complete OAB Guideline is available at AUAnet.org/Guidelines.

This clinical framework does not require that every patient go through each line of treatment in order as there are many factors to consider when identifying the best treatment for a particular patient.

*Appropriate duration is 8 to 12 weeks for behavioral therapies and 4 to 8 weeks for pharmacologic therapies

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AMENDMENT SUMMARY

Diagnosis and Treatment of Overactive Bladder (Non-Neurogenic) in Adults: AUA/SUFU Guideline

Amendment Panel

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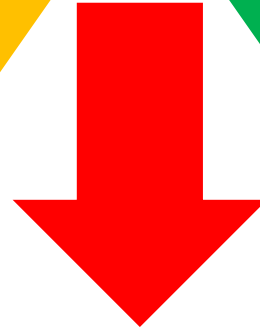
Purpose: The purpose of this guideline is to provide a clinical framework for the diagnosis and treatment of non-neurogenic overactive bladder (OAB).

Summary of Guideline Changes

Section 6: Treatment, clarifying importance of patient factors in selecting optimal treatment

This clinical framework does not require that every patient go through each line of treatment in order. There are many factors to consider when identifying the best treatment for a particular patient, including information regarding allergies, sensitivity to various adverse drug events, patient ability and motivation to comply and availability of and access to specific treatments. It should be duly noted that, as mentioned above, every patient does not need to proceed through each line of therapy before considering the next. In other words, the lines of therapy, while representing a successive increase in risk or invasiveness, are not intended to represent a strict algorithm. This is specifically relevant with regard to PTNS, as it is the opinion of the Panel that, given the minimally invasive and reversible nature of this therapy, juxtaposed with the potential side effects and cost of medications, PTNS can be considered in drug-naïve patients who opt to forego pharmacotherapy.

**Mínimamente
invasivo y
reversible**



**Efectos
secundarios y
coste de los
medicamentos**

**Pacientes que no han recibido tratamiento previo y
que optan por renunciar a la farmacoterapia**



**EAU Guidelines on
Management of
Non-Neurogenic
Female Lower
Urinary Tract
Symptoms**

Summary of evidence	LE
Prompted voiding, either alone or as part of a behavioural modification programme, improves continence in elderly, care-dependent, people in the short-term.	1b
Bladder training is effective for improvement of UUI in women, but efficacy appears to be lower than that of pharmacotherapy.	1b
Pelvic floor muscle training may improve symptoms of frequency of OAB in women.	1b
Electrical stimulation may improve symptoms of OAB in some women, but the type and mode of delivery of ES remains variable and poorly standardised.	1a
Posterior tibial nerve stimulation is more effective than antimuscarinics in reducing UUI episodes but with no difference in improving other OAB symptoms.	1a
A maintenance programme of P-PTNS has been shown to be effective for up to 3 years.	2a
Transcutaneous-PTNS appears to be effective in reducing OAB symptom compared to sham treatment.	1a
Transcutaneous -PTNS is not inferior to percutaneous -PTNS with regard to improvement in urinary urgency, frequency, and QoL scores.	1a





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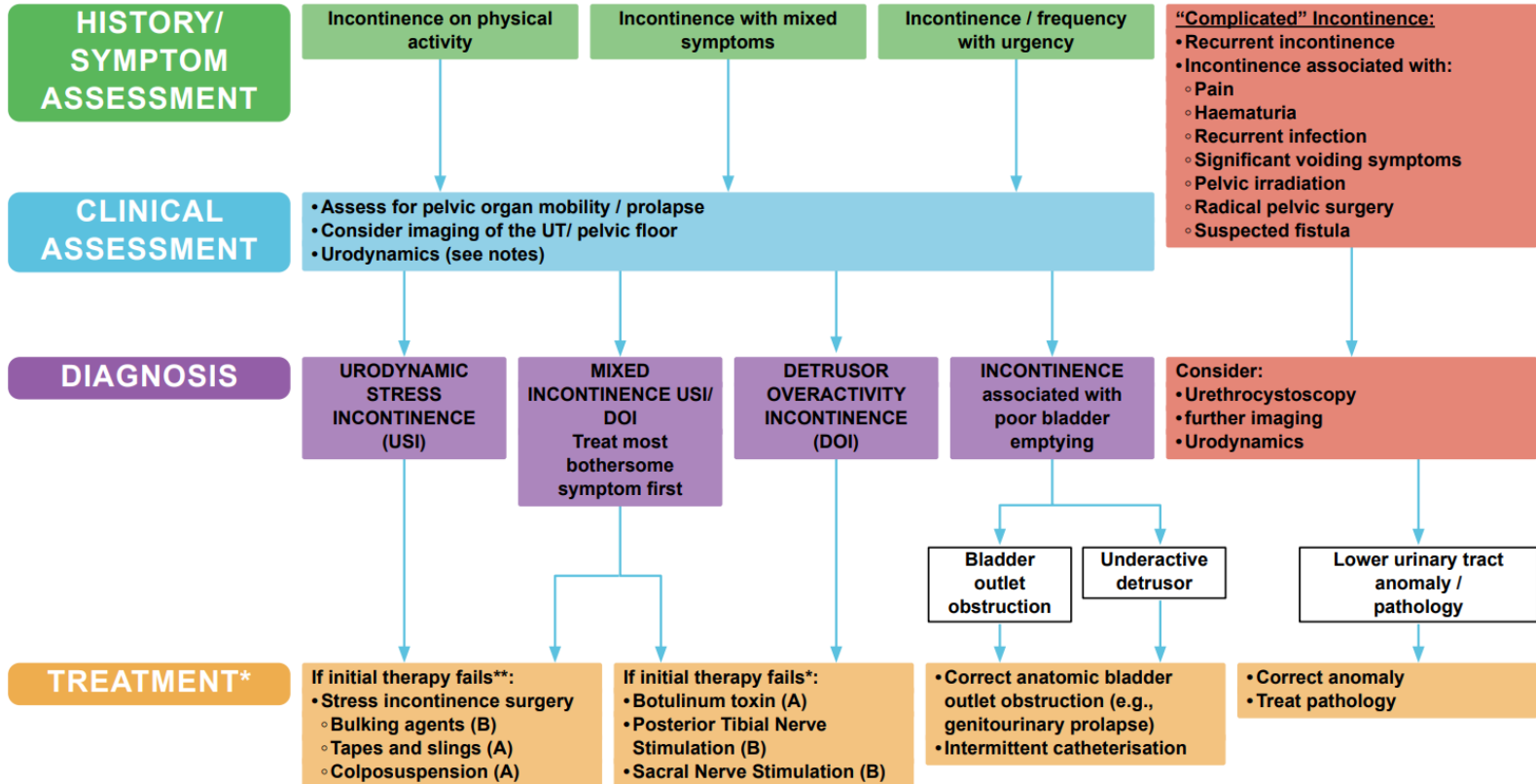
Recommendations	Strength rating
Offer prompted voiding to adults with overactive bladder (OAB) who are cognitively impaired.	Strong
Offer bladder training as a first-line therapy to adults with OAB/urge urinary incontinence (UUI).	Strong
Ensure that pelvic floor muscle training programmes are as intensive as possible.	Strong
Consider posterior tibial nerve stimulation as an option for symptomatic improvement of OAB/UUI.	Strong



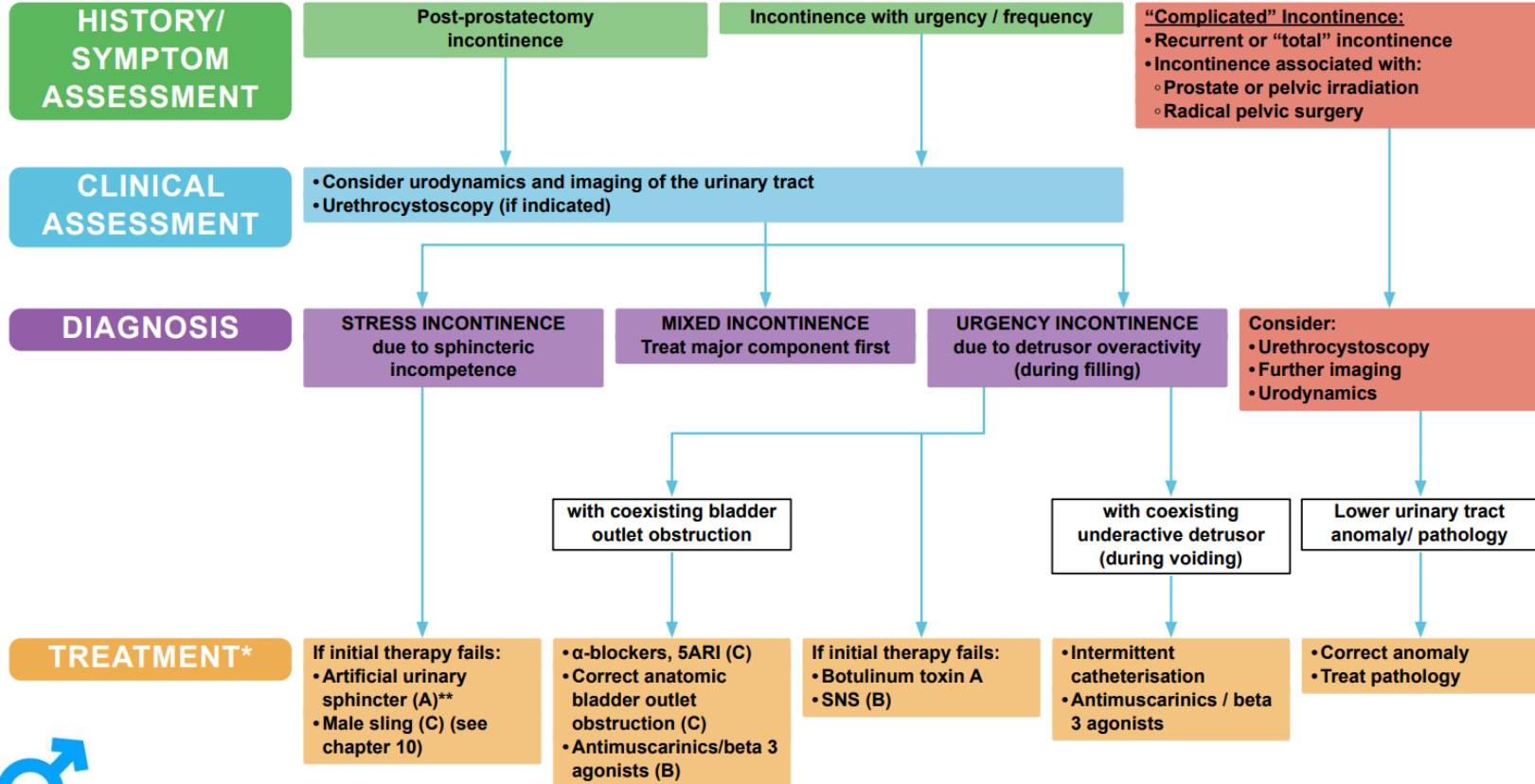
**EAU Guidelines on
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Male Lower Urinary
Tract Symptoms (LUTS),
incl. Benign Prostatic
Obstruction (BPO)**

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The combination of bladder training (BT) with antimuscarinic drugs does not result in greater improvement of UI but may improve frequency and nocturia.	1b
There is conflicting evidence on whether the addition of BT, electrostimulation or biofeedback increases the effectiveness of PFMT alone.	1b
Pre-operative PFMT does not confer additional benefit to men undergoing radical prostatectomy.	1b
Electrical stimulation may add benefit to PFMT up to six months.	2
Electrical stimulation may improve UI compared to sham up to six months.	2
There is limited evidence for the effectiveness of PTNS in male population.	2
There is no evidence that PTNS cures UUI in male population.	2

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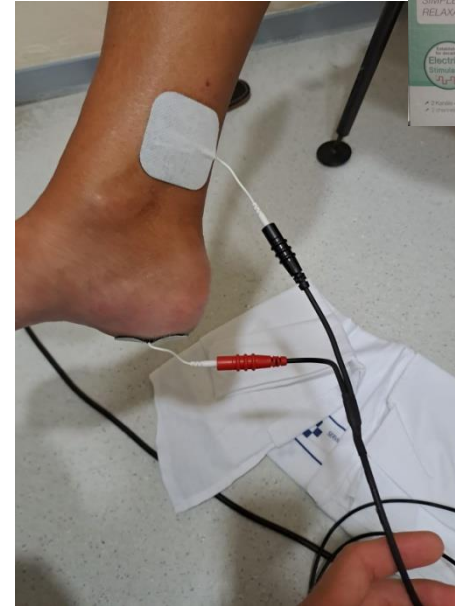
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Review Article

Physical and Rehabilitation Therapy for Overactive Bladder in Women: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

2023

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- Cada institución debe elegir las terapias físicas y de rehabilitación de acuerdo con su propia **configuración** y base de **personal**.
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- Estos dos métodos de estimulación del nervio tibial tuvieron una **eficacia clínica similar**.
- **Diferencias:** la **T-PTNS** tuvo un **tiempo de preparación más corto**, **menos nivel de incomodidad** y una **mayor satisfacción** del paciente que la **P-PTNS**.



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Los tres tratamientos de tercera línea son efectivos



Discutir cuidadosamente los pros/contras de cada tratamiento con el paciente



Determinar la estrategia adecuada en función de cada situación individual

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PTNS vs SNM vs BonTA

Comparing the Efficacy of OnabotulinumtoxinA, Sacral Neuromodulation, and Peripheral Tibial Nerve Stimulation as Third Line Treatment for the Management of Overactive Bladder Symptoms in Adults: Systematic Review and Network Meta-Analysis

- Primera revisión que combina toda la **evidencia actualizada** y compara la **eficacia** de cualquier dosis de **OnabotulinumtoxinA**, **neuromodulación sacra** y **PTNS** para el tratamiento del síndrome de VH en adultos.

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- En comparación con el placebo, los tres tratamientos fueron más eficaces para los parámetros de resultado seleccionados.
- La **onabotulinumtoxinA** provocó un mayor número de **complicaciones**, incluidas infecciones del tracto urinario y retención de orina.
- En comparación con la onabotulinumtoxinA y la PTNS, la **SNM** produjo la **mayor reducción** de los episodios de **IU y FMD**. Falta comparación de eficacia a largo plazo.
- Se justifican más **estudios sobre la eficacia a largo plazo** de las tres opciones de tratamiento, con cuestionarios y parámetros estandarizados.

Table 2. Pairwise meta-analyses result for different endpoints.

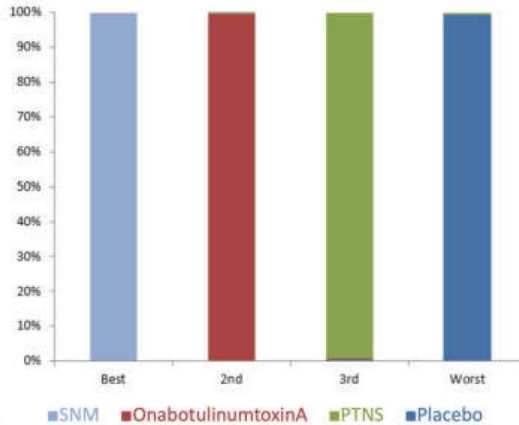
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Urinary frequency/ day	OnabotulinumtoxinA vs. Placebo	4	92	< 0.001	-0.65 (-0.24—1.06)
	PTNS vs. Placebo	1			-1.02 (-1.55—-0.48)
	OnabotulinumtoxinA vs. PTNS	3	37.1	0.204	-0.37 (-0.03—-0.70)
	SNM vs. Placebo	1			-1.12 (-0.53—-1.71)
Urge urine incontinence	OnabotulinumtoxinA vs. Placebo	2	70.7	0.065	-0.37 (-0.05—-0.79)
Urgency Episode	OnabotulinumtoxinA vs. Placebo	4	97.6	<0.001	-0.84 (-0.08—-1.60)
Maximal	PTNS vs. Placebo	1			1.35 (0.79—1.92)
	SNM vs. Placebo	1			0.91 (0.33—1.48)
I-QoL	OnabotulinumtoxinA vs. Placebo	2	99.1	<0.001	0.98 (-0.89—2.86)
	PTNS vs. Placebo	1			0.86 (0.13—1.59)
Incontinence	OnabotulinumtoxinA vs. Placebo	3	97.8	<0.001	-0.84 (-1.62—-0.06)
	PTNS vs. Placebo	1			0.54 (0.02—1.06)
	OnabotulinumtoxinA vs. PTNS	1			-1.49 (-2.28—-0.70)
	SNM vs. Placebo	2	74.6	0.047	-2.10 (-3.07—-1.12)
≥50% Improvement	Placebo vs. OnabotulinumtoxinA	2	0.0	0.410	0.53 (0.40—0.70)
	PTNS vs. OnabotulinumtoxinA	2	0.0	0.371	0.50 (0.32—0.76)
	Placebo vs. PTNS	3	52.5	0.122	0.21 (0.07—0.61)
	SNM vs. Placebo	1			1.27 (0.87—1.87)
Urinary tract infection	OnabotulinumtoxinA vs. Placebo	8	0	0.486	2.55 (1.89—3.43)
	PTNS vs. OnabotulinumtoxinA	1			0.20 (0.01—4.34)
	SNM vs. OnabotulinumtoxinA	1			0.33 (0.19—0.56)
Clean intermittent catheterization	OnabotulinumtoxinA vs. Placebo	9	0	0.786	5.95 (3.08—11.46)
	PTNS vs. OnabotulinumtoxinA	1			0.20 (0.01—4.34)
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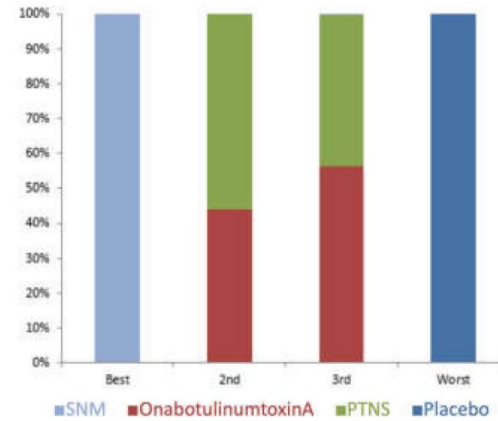
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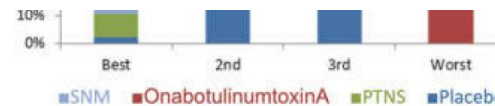
A. Urinary Frequency/ Day



B. Urinary incontinence/ Day



- Reducción de la frecuencia urinaria: 1º SNM, 2º OnabotulinumtoxinA 3º PTNS ocupó el tercer lugar y 4º placebo.

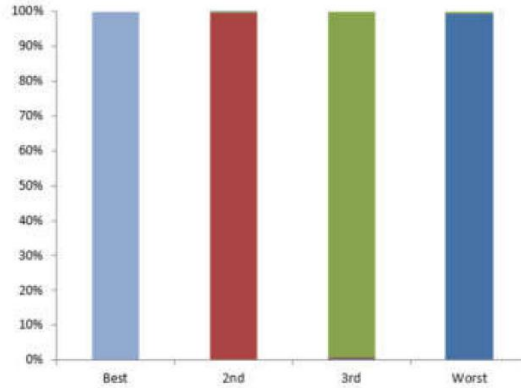


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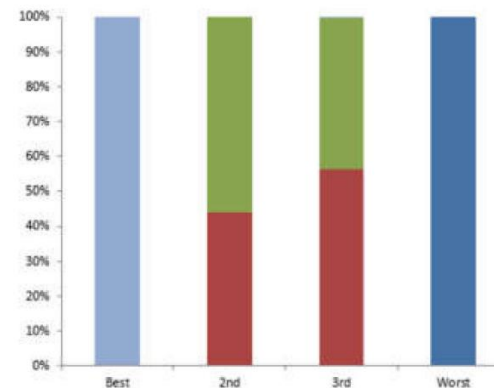
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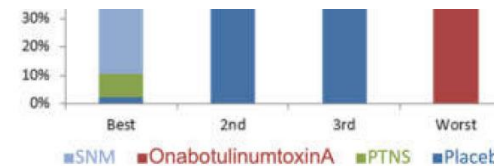
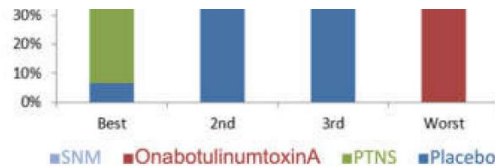
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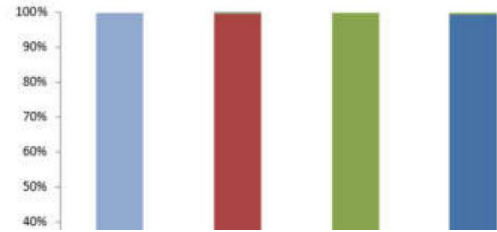


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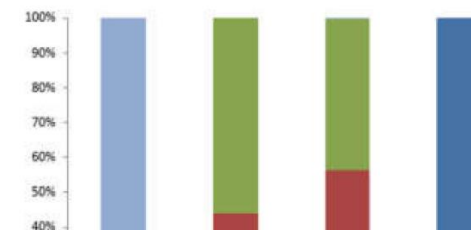
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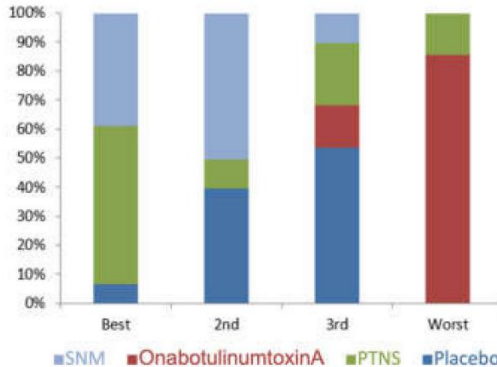


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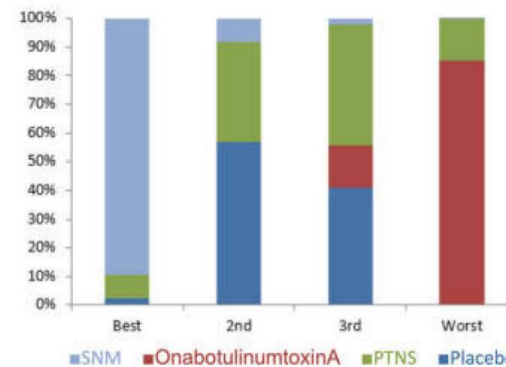


- **Infecciones urinarias: 1º PTNS, 2º SNM 3º placebo y la onabotulinumtoxinA ocupó el peor lugar.**

C. Urinary tract infection



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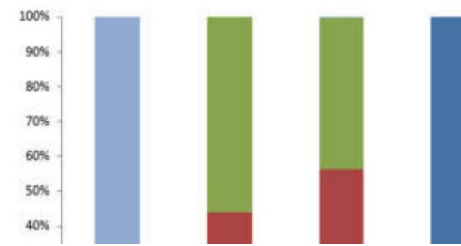
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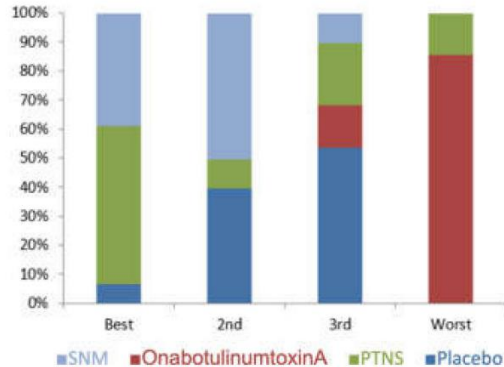


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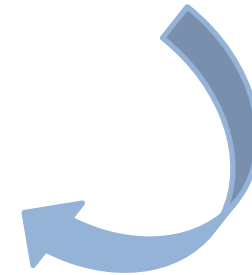
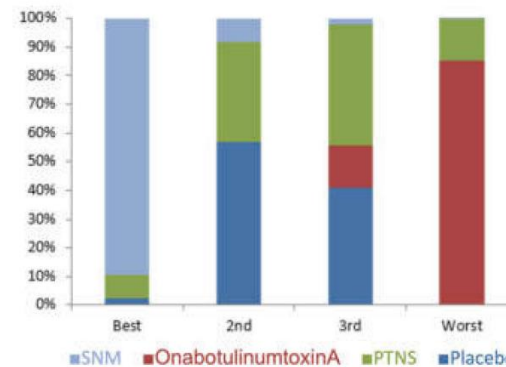


- **Retención urinaria: 1º OnabotulinumtoxinA, 2º PTNS, 3º placebo y 4º SNM.**

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- La **SNM**: mayor **reducción** en los episodios **IU y FMD**.
- La **onabotulinumtoxinA**: mayor riesgo de **retención** de orina e ITUs.
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Efectos adversos

- **OnabotulinumtoxinA:**
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 - Tasa significativamente mayor de CIC e ITU.
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