

Project Title	Injectable brain machine interfaces
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Theme(s)	Regenerative Medicine and Biomaterials Medical Devices
Project Type	Desk based
Project Description	<p>Deep brain stimulation (DBS) therapy has seen increasing clinical relevance in the last decade. DBS and similar therapeutic techniques require the use of a chronically implanted neural electrodes.</p> <p>This project is focused on the development and characterisation of a minimally invasive, organic, neural electrode system. This electrode system is based on an injectable hydrogel functionalized to facilitate the in-situ electrochemical deposition of conducting polymer directly inside the brain to enable recording and stimulation of neural activity.</p> <p>Initial work will focus on the mechanical, electrochemical and biological characterization of the polymeric electrode system before progressing to investigating in-situ depositions in ex-vivo brain tissue.</p>