

<b>Project Title</b>	Neurobehavioural biomarkers for Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS)
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<b>Theme</b>	Biomedical Sensing Diagnostics and Imaging Neurotechnology and Robotics
<b>Project Type</b>	Lab based
<b>Project Description</b>	<p>Deep brain stimulation (DBS) is a routine treatment for patients with Parkinson's disease (PD) and Essential Tremor (ET) which improves their motor symptoms and as a result their function and quality of life. While DBS is an effective therapy, it is still not clear how and why it works and therefore there are many open questions as to how it can work better.</p> <p>This research project is part of a program that aims for a better understanding of the effects of DBS on the system level (in addition to improving symptoms) and a search for biomarkers to improve DBS delivery. In this research project, you will help to collect behavioural (movement sensor) and neural (EEG) recordings from PD patients with implanted DBS electrodes.</p> <p>You will analyse the data to study the effects of the DBS parameters on patients' body movement and brain activity, in an attempt to develop digital biomarkers to improve DBS delivery. Those can be used initially for improving DBS programming in the clinic, and later for closed-loop adaptive DBS, where the parameters are continually adapted by an AI, based on biomarkers.</p>