

Thursday, April 24, 2025



Connecting persons with PD with medical specialists

Hilton Naples

Registration 8:30 am Program 9:00 am



Hope in Parkinson's Disease (PD) Research





Disease-Modifying Treatments

- Drugs that are neuroprotective preventing further deterioration of dopamine producing cells
- Medications to slow progress as discussed by Dr. Ramirez-Zamora





Gene Therapy & Stem Cell Research

- Stem cell transplants show promise in regenerating neurons
- Gene therapy





DBS and Focused Ultrasound

- Focused ultrasound (FUS) is a non-invasive alternative for motor symptoms
- DBS as a modality of treatment discussed by our panel





Al and Early Diagnosis

- Al improves early detection through speech, movement, and handwriting analysis
- New biomarkers in blood and CSF may lead to earlier intervention





Exercise & Lifestyle Interventions

- High-intensity exercise (cycling, boxing) slows progression.
- Mediterranean and ketogenic diets may have neuroprotective effects.





Intimacy

• Dr. Gilbert has discussed that intimacy and sexual activity is absolutely possible with PD.





Final Thoughts

- There is absolutely hope in Parkinson's Disease.
- While Parkinson's can be a challenging condition advances across multiple fronts are creating a future that's much brighter for those affected.
- Staying informed and connected with the Parkinson's community can provide not only emotional support but also access to the latest expert insights and treatment options.





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