

IMAGING OF PARKINSON'S DISEASE AND PARKINSONISMS

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Learning objective(s)

Upon completion of this talk, participants will be able to:

- Utilize imaging methods for differential diagnosis and evaluation of distinct movement disorders syndromes
- Identify neuroimaging biomarkers of prodromal and early Parkinson's disease
- Recognize imaging markers for differential diagnosis of movement disorders in clinical practice



Key messages

- Modern MRI approaches have unveiled several complementary markers that are useful for research and clinical application.
- These markers are useful for the diagnosis of PD and atypical parkinsonisms, to track disease progression from the premotor stages and to better understand the neurobiological basis of clinical deficits.
- Iron- and neuromelanin-sensitive MRI detect qualitative changes in the substantia nigra and can be useful to support a clinical diagnosis of Parkinson's disease but cannot differentiate between parkinsonian disorders.



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