

# Characterizing Rechargeable IPG Charge Cycle Time in DBS

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Device Utilized: Zero-Volt™ Batteries

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## Background

Rechargeable Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) Implantable Pulse Generators (IPGs) have different battery capacities, which result in differing recharge intervals. Three tests were conducted to characterize the discharge cycle of the Vercise™ IPGs during various use models.

The use models included a standard amplitude, using typical clinical IPG parameters; a high amplitude, which doubled the current, compared to the standard settings; and a low amplitude model, which halved the current, compared to the standard settings.

## Methods

- Standard set-up consisted of a Vercise IPG with two leads attached, in a saline solution at 37°C
- Stimulation settings were 60 µs pulses at 130 Hz, providing current through two cathodic contacts, one on each lead, using the immersed case as the anode
- IPGs were interrogated with the Remote Control (RC) 3 times a week to simulate patient interaction

### Standard Treatment Parameters

N = 7

Amplitude: **3.0** milliamps

Pulse Width: 60 µs

Frequency: 130 Hz

### High-Amplitude Treatment Parameters

N = 7

Amplitude: **6.0** milliamps

Pulse Width: 60 µs

Frequency: 130 Hz

### Low-Amplitude Treatment Parameters

N = 4

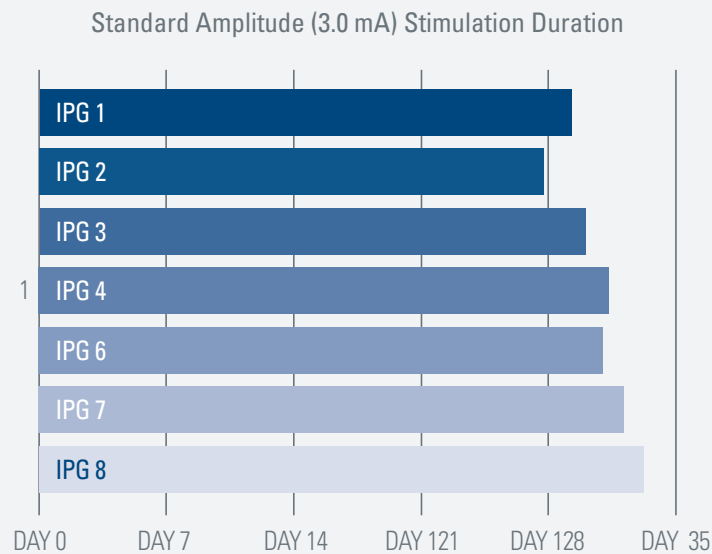
Amplitude: **1.5** milliamps

Pulse Width: 60 µs

Frequency: 130 Hz

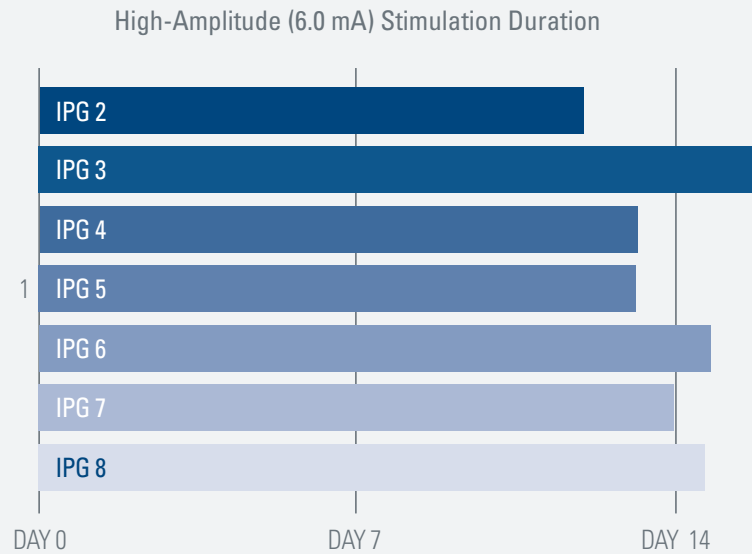
RESULTS

Standard Settings (3.0 mA)  
Average Stimulation Time: 30 days 16 hours  
Minimum Stimulation Time: 27 days 16 hours  
Maximum Stimulation Time: 33 days 4 hours  
Standard Deviation: 1 Day 16 hours



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High Settings (6.0 mA)  
Average Stimulation Time: 14 days 5 hours  
Minimum Stimulation Time: 12 days  
Maximum Stimulation Time: 15 days 20 hours  
Standard Deviation: 1 day 8 hours



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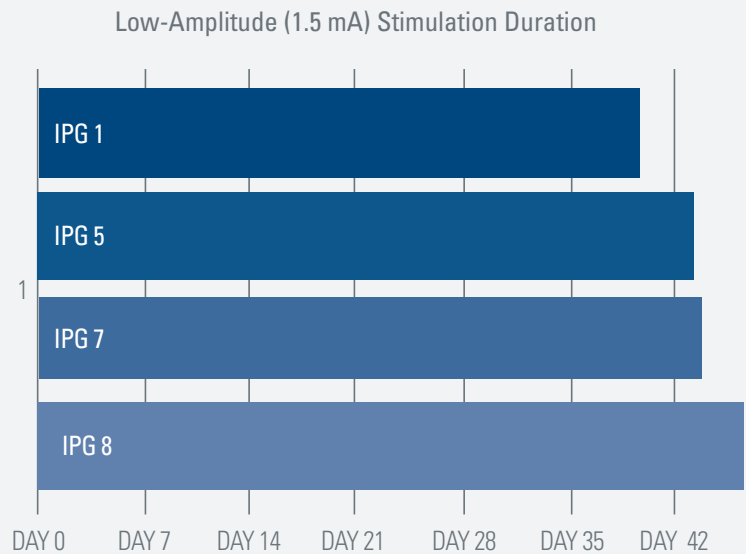
#### Low Settings (1.5 mA)

Average Stimulation Time: 43 days 1 hour

Minimum Stimulation Time: 39 days 8 hours

Maximum Stimulation Time: 46 days 4 hours

Standard Deviation: 2 days 10 hours



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## CONCLUSIONS

- Boston Scientific Vercise™ rechargeable DBS IPGs, at typical clinical parameters, may provide up to 4 weeks of stimulation between recharging cycles
- At high amplitudes, they may provide up to 2 weeks of stimulation between charging cycles
- At low amplitudes, they may provide up to 6 weeks of stimulation between recharging cycles

Bench Test results may not necessarily be indicative of clinical performance.

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