

# Nexstim

## **Nexstim provides overview of pilot study results in treatment of severe depression with Nexstim NBT® System at Kuopio University Hospital**

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Nexstim Plc (NXTMH:HEX) ("Nexstim" or "Company") provides an overview of results of the pilot study on the use of accelerated iTBS protocol in treatment of severe depression with Nexstim NBT® System at Kuopio University Hospital. The pilot study examined the use of accelerated iTBS protocol in treatment of severe depression with Nexstim NBT® system. Accelerated iTBS means transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS) therapy where stimulation is given several times per day for one week whereas in conventional TMS therapy stimulation is given once a day for several weeks.

Nexstim announces that all patients treated with the accelerated iTBS protocol have completed their 5-day treatment including a total of 20 patients that have completed their planned 12-week follow-up. No device related serious adverse events occurred. All patients showed improvement of symptoms on the clinician administered Hamilton Depression Rating Scale (HAMD-17) outcome measure at the end of treatment except one patient with no change (mean decrease in score from baseline 27%,  $p < 0.001$ ). At the end of the five-day treatment 15% out of the total of 20 patients had reached clinical remission and 30% a clinical response defined as >50% improvement on the measure.

At the end of the 12-week follow-up period 25% of the patients were in clinical remission and 30% demonstrated a clinical response compared with the baseline HAMD-17 score.

Mikko Karvinen, CEO of Nexstim, comments: *"We thank the Kuopio team for their hard pilot study work done for this severe depression patient group under difficult extraordinary circumstances such as the COVID-19 pandemic. The 20 patient pilot study results do not seem to show any clear benefit for using the accelerated iTBS protocol, if compared to the [conventional once a day TMS treatment of depression for up to 6 weeks](#), other than the smaller number of patient treatment days in total. Nexstim continues to develop the future use of accelerated iTBS protocols mainly through our strategic partnerships."*

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### **About Nexstim Plc**

Nexstim is a Finnish, globally operating growth-oriented medical technology company. Our mission is to enable personalized and effective diagnostics and therapies for challenging brain diseases and disorders.

Nexstim has developed a world-leading non-invasive brain stimulation technology for navigated transcranial magnetic stimulation (nTMS) with highly sophisticated 3D navigation providing accurate and personalized targeting of the TMS to the specific area of the brain.

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Nexstim's Diagnostics Business focuses on commercialization of the Navigated Brain Stimulation (NBS) system. The NBS system is the only FDA cleared and CE marked navigated TMS system for pre-surgical mapping of the speech and motor cortices of the brain.

Nexstim's Therapy Business markets and sells the Navigated Brain Therapy (NBT<sup>®</sup>) system, which is FDA cleared for marketing and commercial distribution for the treatment of major depressive disorder (MDD) in the United States. In Europe, the NBT<sup>®</sup> system is CE marked for the treatment of major depression and chronic neuropathic pain.

Nexstim shares are listed on Nasdaq First North Growth Market Finland.

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