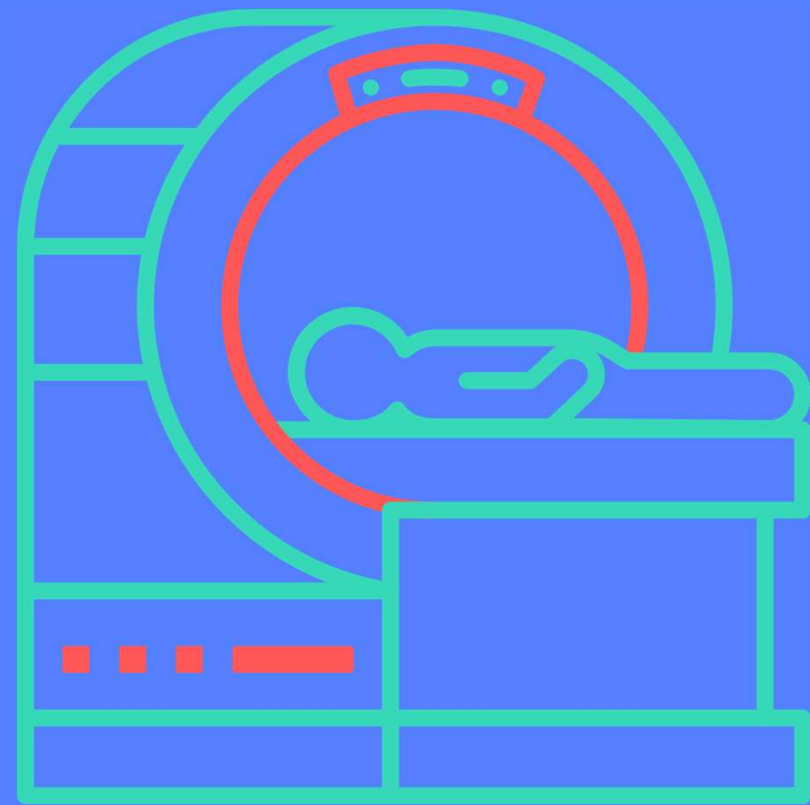


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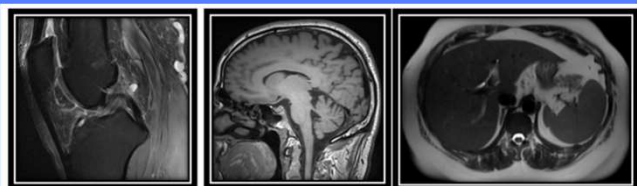


MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING

- **Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)** uses a combination of magnetic fields and radio waves to produce high resolution images of the human body.
- Clinical scanners have a typical field strength of 1.5 or 3 Tesla (30,000 - 60,000 times the strength of the Earth's magnetic field).
- Static field strength achieved using Superconducting magnets.



Anatomical Imaging What anatomy looks like

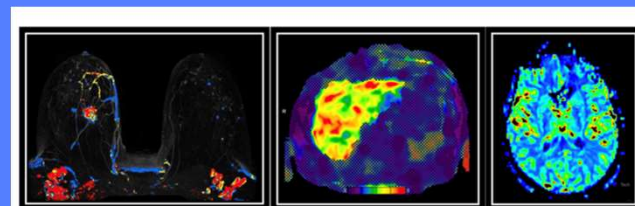


SAGITAL KNEE

SAGITAL BRAIN

AXIAL ABDOMEN

Functional Imaging How tissues behave



BREAST MRI (COLOR MAP)

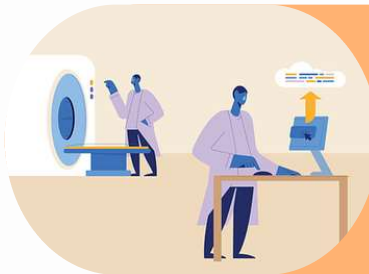
ELASTOGRAPHY (LIVER)

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MRI PHYSICS ROLE



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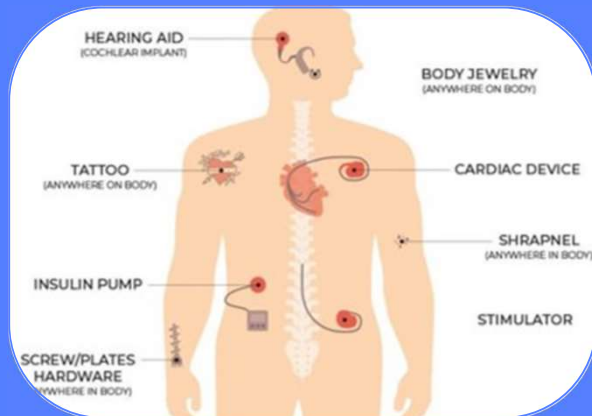


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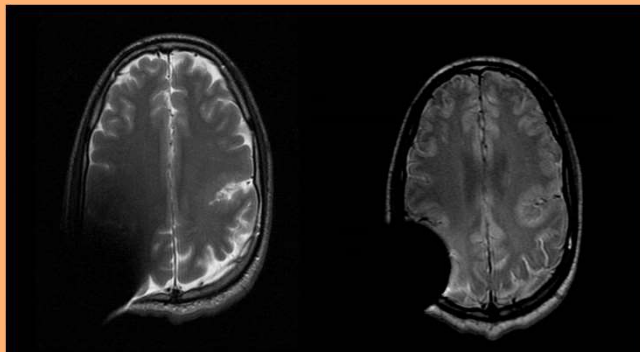
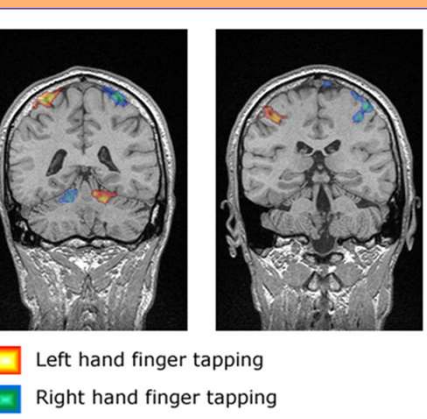
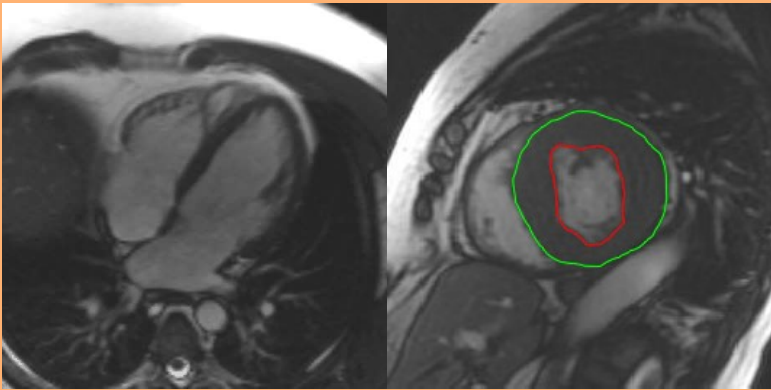
SAFETY RISKS

- Inherently safe as no ionising radiation
- Safety risks
 - Static magnetic field - projectile effect
 - Time-varying magnetic field - PNS, inappropriate triggering of active devices
 - Radiofrequency field - heating

SAFETY WORK

- MRI Safety queries/implant policies
- Local Rules
- Risk Assessments
- Incident Reporting
- Individual Site Support

CLINICAL AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT



Metallic susceptibility artefact, brain scan of a cochlear implant.

CLINICAL

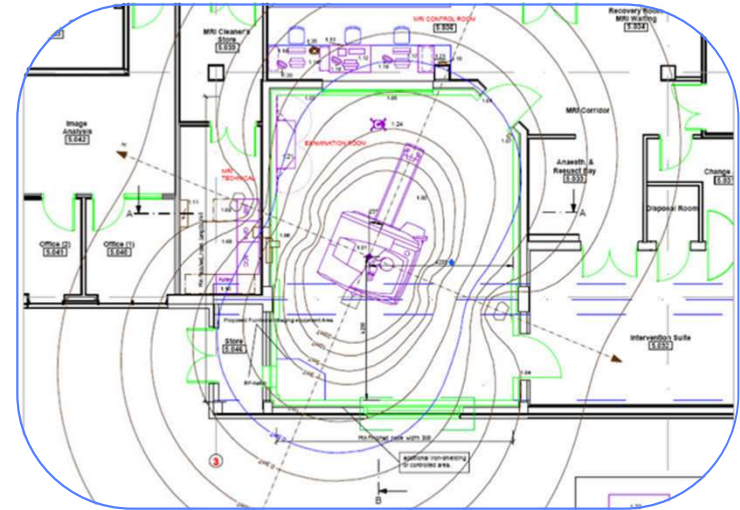
- Quantitative measurements
 - Cardiac scans
 - Breast scans
 - Liver iron quantification

TECHNICAL

- fMRI equipment setup and paradigm running.
- Scanner support
 - Artefact reduction
 - SAR minimisation

EQUIPMENT SUPPORT

- Procurement of new MRI scanners and ancillary equipment
- Acceptance testing
- Routine Quality Assurance



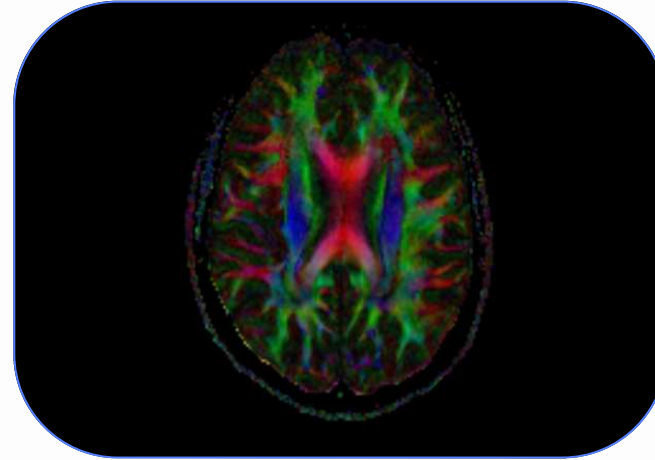
Mapping MRI field lines as part of planning scanner position



2020 installation of 1.5T scanner in Stracathro

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

- Commercial and University research projects
 - Drug trials
 - Patient cohort studies
 - fMRI studies
- Service Development
 - Investigating new technologies, sequences etc.



Diffusion Tensor Imaging (DTI) using Simultaneous Multislice (SMS)

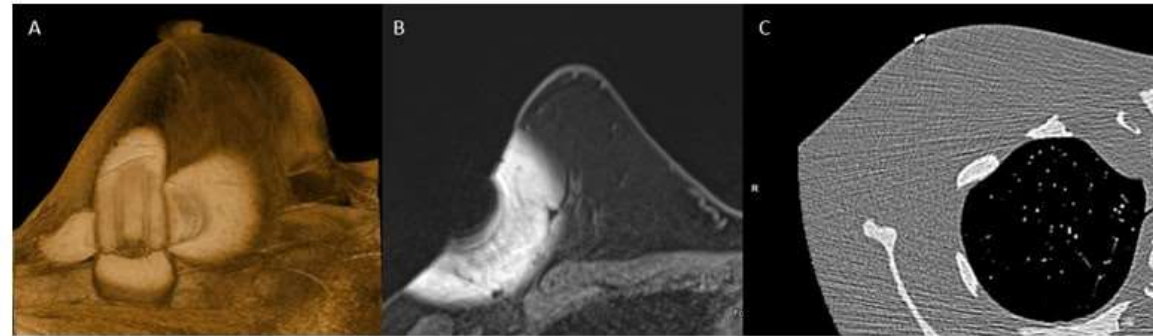
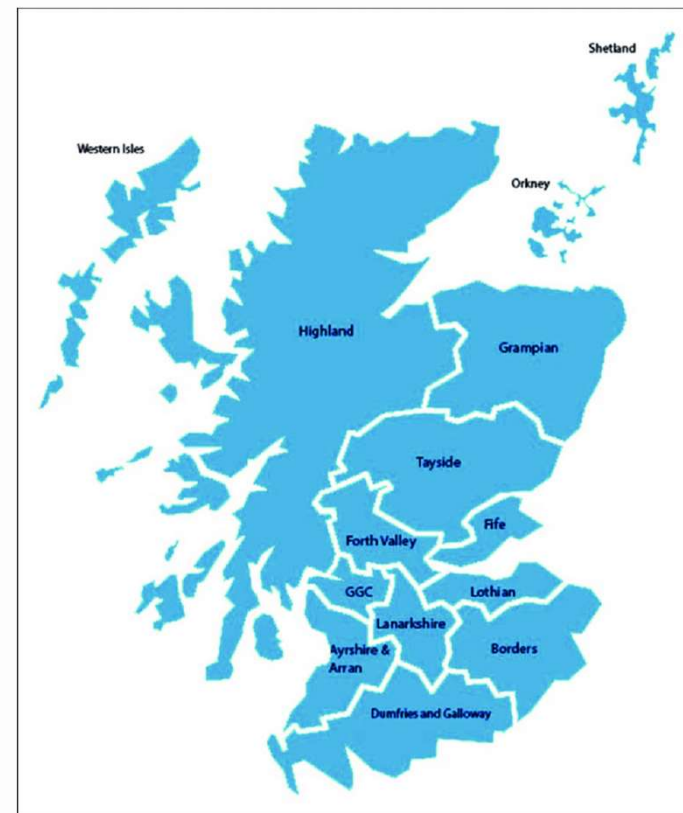


Figure 1: Three images from different scanning performed with the Magseed. A – 3D surface render of Magseed artefact on MRI imaging of a healthy volunteer on a T1 dynamic gradient echo sequence. B – Magseed artefact with area of failed fat saturation on a T1 dynamic gradient echo sequence. C – CT artefact measuring 5mm of Magseed positioned R>>L.

TEACHING AND TRAINING



- Safety training for different MRI staff groups
- MRI physics lectures for Physicists, Engineers and Radiologists
- Trainee supervision
- MSc/PhD supervision



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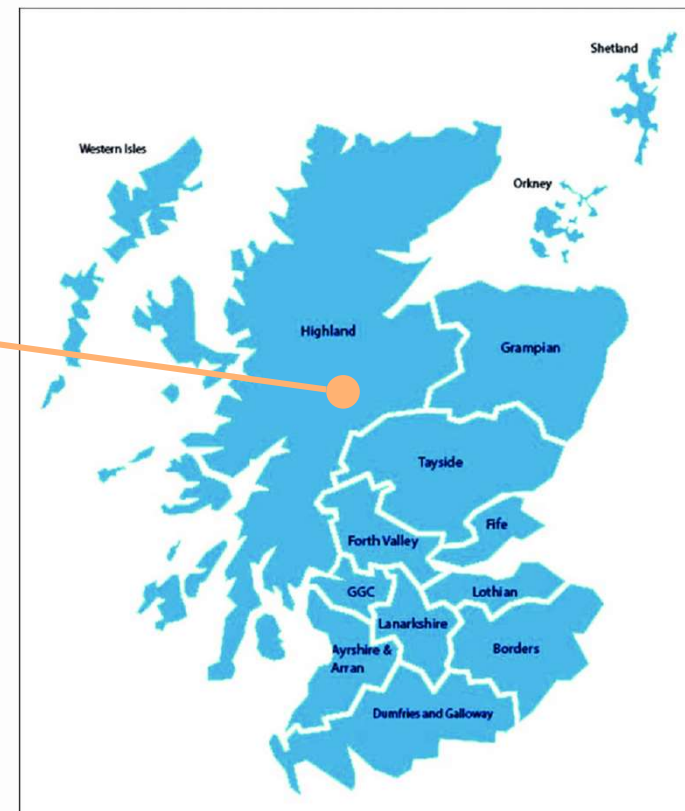
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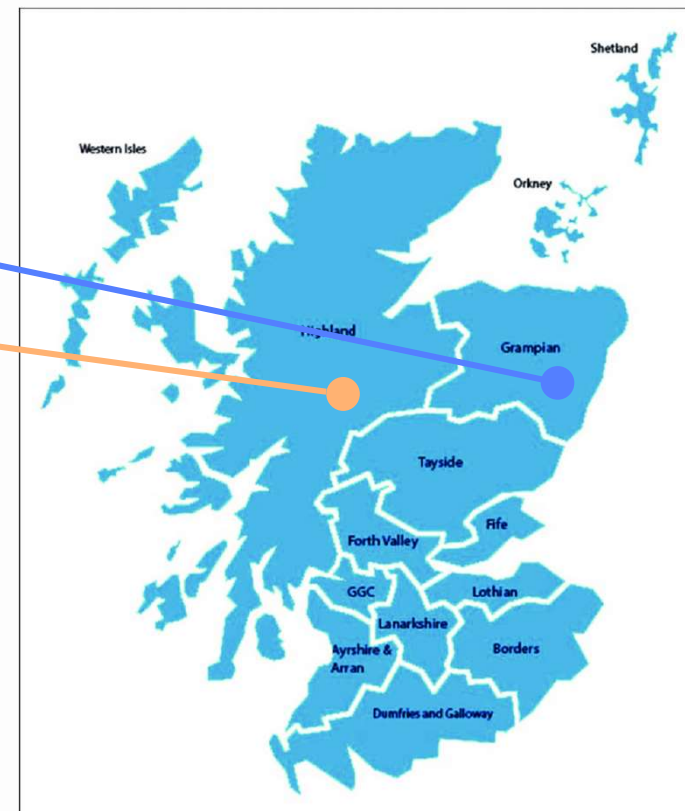
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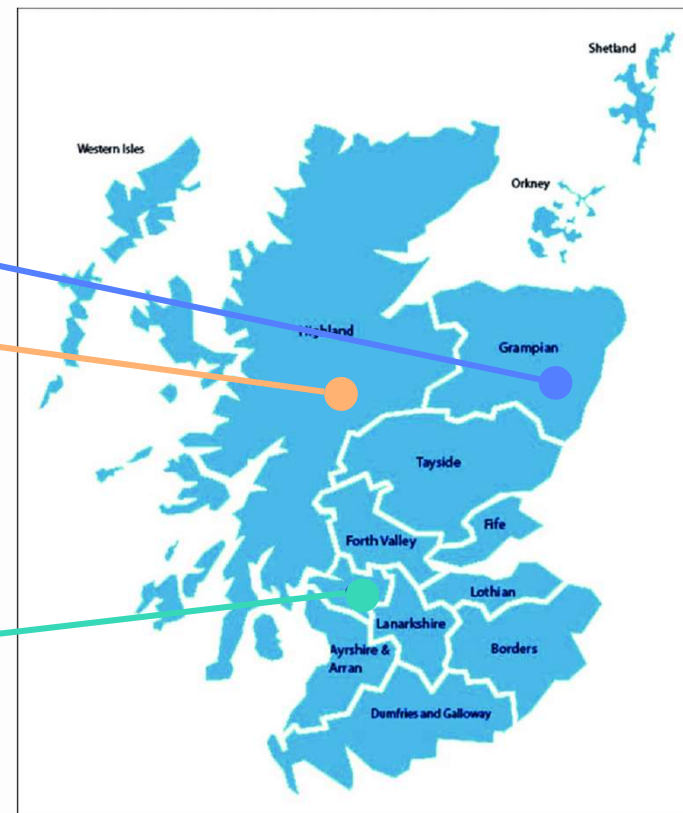
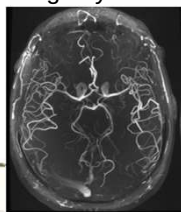
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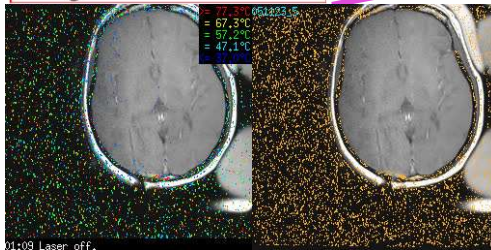
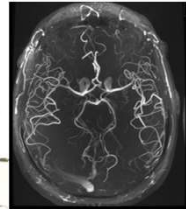
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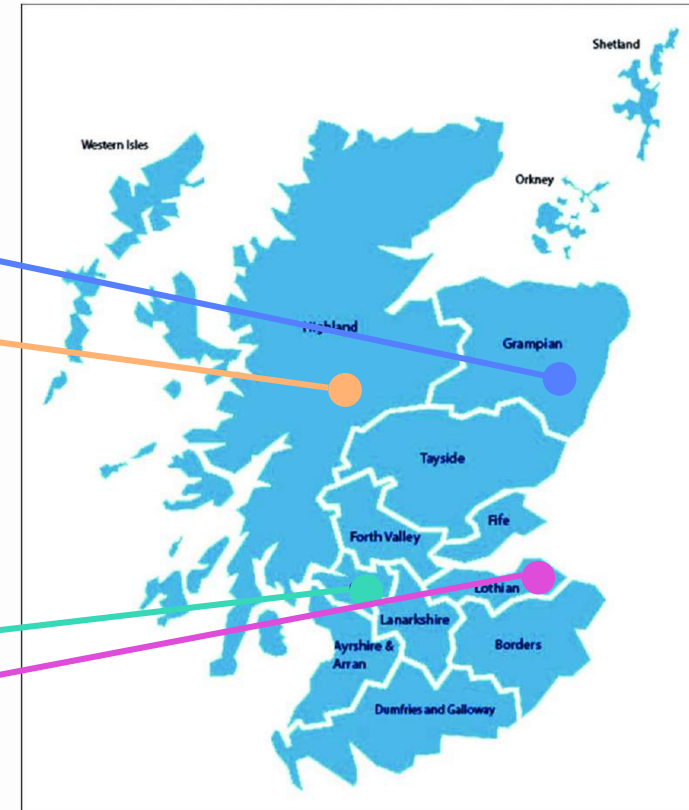
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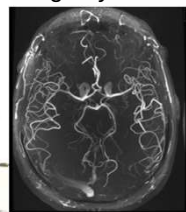
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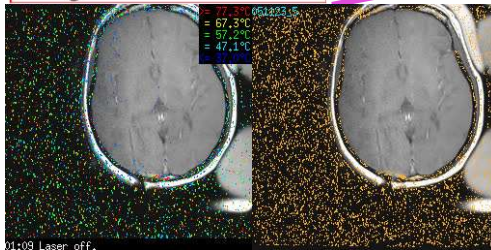
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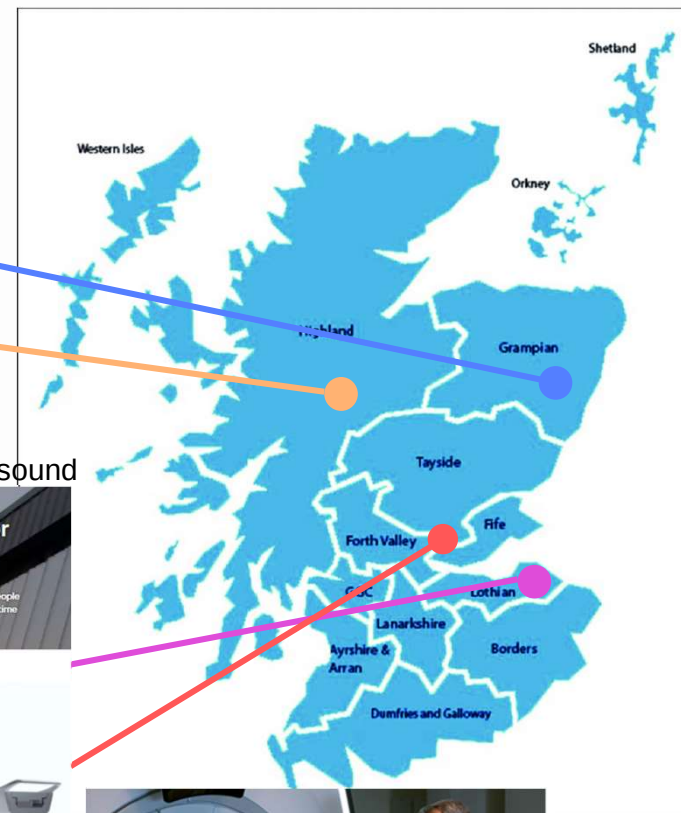
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A deep brain ultrasound treatment that can transform the quality of life for people with uncontrollable tremors has been made available in Scotland for the first time following a University of Dundee fundraising campaign.



Generous donors helped to provide more than £2 million to allow the purchase of magnetic resonance-guided focused ultrasound (MRgFUS) technology, which uses sound waves to help destroy tissue that can prompt unwanted movements in people who experience essential tremor.

The non-invasive procedure takes a matter of hours and can help restore control of movement to an individual's hands that they may not have experienced for decades. The treatment has established itself as effective in the treatment of essential tremor; initial research suggests it may also have a role in treating the symptoms of Parkinson's disease.



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