Driving Innovation in Neuromodulation: From Academia to Industry

Thursday, November 29  •  12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
Charles and Peggy Norris Global Conference Room
437 Wasserman Building
300 Stein Plaza Drive
Los Angeles, CA

Binith Cheeran, PhD
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Prior to being appointed to this post, Dr. Cheeran served as the academic Neurologist to the Functional Neurosurgery Unit at Oxford University Hospitals, Training Program Director for medical residents in Neurology at Oxford, and on the Clinical Reference Group advising NHS Specialized Commissioning on Deep Brain Stimulation for refractory epilepsy. His research work follows two dominant strands - newer DBS technology (Directional DBS, closed-loop DBS) and response variability to neuromodulation (to ensure a higher response rate to these therapies for patients). His company developed a programming interface and decision support tool for Directional DBS systems, which was subsequently acquired by Abbott. This interface is the central feature of the recent software update for Abbott’s Directional DBS system. In his new role, a key focus for Dr. Cheeran is driving continued innovation in neuromodulation therapies, through both internal development at Abbott and external collaboration.

To RSVP, or if you have any questions, please contact: Diana Babayan, MPH dbabayan@mednet.ucla.edu or 310-267-9454. Lunch will be provided.