Acupuncture and Parkinson's Disease

Acupuncture Helps Parkinson's Disease Patients (Northwest Parkinson's Foundation) https://nwpf.org/stay-informed/news/2014/04/acupuncture-helps-parkinsons-disease-patients/

Effect of acupuncture on gait in Parkinson's disease: a case report http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/25791843

p53 signaling mediates acupuncture-induced neuroprotection in Parkinson's disease. http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/25827815

Effectiveness of traditional Chinese medicine as an adjunct therapy for Parkinson's disease: a systematic review and meta-analysis.

http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/25756963

Steve Note: This meta-analysis is generalistic and includes several studies where the scientific methods and data collection may have contained flaws. That said, there seems to be evidence that acupuncture has made a difference.

Combined treatment with acupuncture reduces effective dose and alleviates adverse effect of L-dopa by normalizing Parkinson's disease-induced neurochemical imbalance. http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/24321617

Neural pathway interference by retained acupuncture: a functional MRI study of a dog model of Parkinson's disease.

http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/23578167

[Parkinson's disease combined with depression treated with electroacupuncture and medication and its effect on serum BDNF].

http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/23301468

PARKINSON'S DISEASE: Possible Treatment with Chinese Medicine by Subhuti Dharmananda, Institute for Traditional Medicine, Portland, Oregon http://www.itmonline.org/arts/parkinsons.htm

Steve Note: Subhuti does an excellent, thorough job of presenting Chinese medicine in a fair and realistic way. This information assumes a practitioner's understanding of Chinese medicine. Please contact me if you have questions about these terms and I will do my best to explain them.

Acupuncture Study Brings Hope For Parkinson's Disease Patients http://www.acupuncturetoday.com/mpacms/at/article.php?id=32530

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Acupuncture in the Treatment of Parkinson's Disease http://najms.net/wp-content/uploads/v02i01p032.pdf

British Acupuncture Council Report on Treating Parkinson's Disease. http://www.acupuncture.org.uk/a-to-z-of-conditions/a-to-z-of-conditions/parkinsons-disease.html

Neurobiology of Acupuncture (Google eBook)

https://books.google.com/books?id=kYxqAAAAQBAJ&dq=acupuncture+parkinsons+plasticity &source=gbs_navlinks_s