



About Obstructive Sleep Apnea (OSA)

OSA is a common sleep disorder that occurs when the tongue and other soft tissues of the throat relax and obstruct the airway during sleep. Apnea events can occur multiple times per hour throughout the night, disrupting normal sleep. People suffering from OSA report significant daytime sleepiness and impaired quality of life. Depending on the degree of severity, OSA can be a potentially dangerous condition. OSA has been linked with increased risks for cardiovascular disease, weight gain and accidents resulting from daytime drowsiness. It is estimated that one in fifteen US adults has moderate to severe OSA.

About Inspire™ Upper Airway Stimulation (UAS) Therapy

Inspire Upper Airway Stimulation (UAS) therapy is a dynamic, implantable therapy that works with the body's natural physiology to prevent airway obstruction during sleep. While the OSA patient sleeps, Inspire therapy is designed to deliver physiologically timed, mild stimulation to the hypoglossal nerve on each breathing cycle. The stimulation is intended to restore tone to the muscles that control the base of tongue, preventing the tongue from collapsing and obstructing the airway. Patients control when the therapy is turned on and off via a handheld programmer. In contrast to other surgical procedures to treat sleep apnea, Inspire therapy does not require removing or permanently altering an OSA patient's facial or airway anatomy.

About Inspire Medical Systems

Inspire Medical Systems, based in Minneapolis, Minnesota, is the world's leading developer of innovative, implantable neurostimulation technologies to treat Obstructive Sleep Apnea. Utilizing well-established technologies from the fields of cardiac pacing and neurostimulation, Inspire has developed a proprietary Upper Airway Stimulation (UAS) therapy for patients who suffer from obstructive sleep apnea. Inspire UAS therapy is designed to improve sleep and enrich the lives of people suffering from this challenging condition. Inspire is funded by the prominent medical technology investment firms GDN Holdings LLC, Kleiner, Perkins, Caufield and Byers, Synergy Life Sciences Partners and US Venture Partners. Visit Inspire Medical Systems on the web at www.inspiresleep.com.