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## Effects of Hemostatic Nanoparticles after Rodent Spinal Cord Injury

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## Prevalence of spinal cord injury





For a 25 year old patient, the estimated lifetime costs due to spinal cord injury can range from \$681,843 to over \$3 million

Currently, there are ~ **280,000** people living with traumatic SCI, and ~ **17,000** new cases each year in the US

1.6 million folks with spinal cord dysfunction



Data obtained from the National Spinal Cord Injury Statistical Center (https://www.nscisc.uab.edu/)





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## Hemostatic Nanoparticles (hNPs)



Lashof-Sullivan et el., 2014. PNAS



## Study timeline

Acute study





### Contrast Enhanced Ultrasound (CEUS)



**Contrast and Red Blood Cells** 



**Definity vial** 



**Intravenous Injection** 





Acute post injury

4 hours post injury









## **Future Directions**

- Do hNPs have any effects in blood clotting after SCI?
- Do hNPs help in **recovering** motor or sensory function after SCI?





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