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## Four-Dimensional Microscope-Integrated OCT Use in Argus II Placement

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The Argus II Retinal Prosthesis System (Second Sight Medical Products, Sylmar, CA) is currently approved for implantation in patients with retinitis pigmentosa. Although the proximity of the electrodes to the retina surface is crucial for optimal functioning of the device, the operating microscope alone does not allow for visualization of the distance of the electrodes from the retinal surface.

We demonstrate the enhanced visualization of the electrode to retina distance using images obtained with microscope-integrated OCT (MIOCT). Because 6.7% of devices required retacking in clinical trials, surgeons have reported visualizing the electrode array in cross-section (2-dimensional) with MIOCT to verify proper tacking and intraoperative position. Live volumetric (4-dimensional) intraoperative imaging using ultrafast swept-source MIOCT allows for real-time surgeon feedback to verify the ideal implantation position intraoperatively.

A video (available at www.ophthalmologyretina.org) demonstrates 4-dimensional live volumetric intraoperative imaging of the electrode array before tacking compared to a well-positioned device after tacking with the array in close contact with the retinal surface. Figure 1 shows B-scan imaging and still captures from 4-dimensional MIOCT imaging of the electrode array before tacking and after tacking again demonstrating an improved array-to-retina distance after tacking is completed.

## **Supplementary Material**

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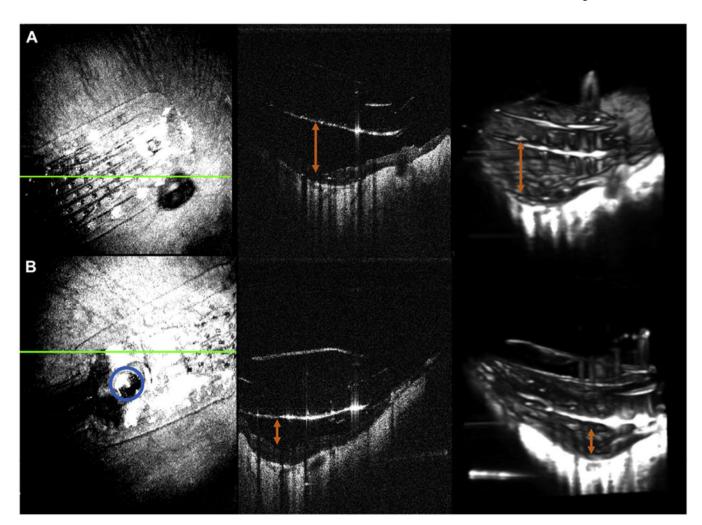
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**Figure 1. A**, The electrode array before tacking including en face projection, B-scan imaging, and excerpts from 4-dimensional (4D) imaging. The *orange arrow* shows the distance of the array surface to the retina. **B**, Corresponding images after tacking. A *blue outline* highlights the tack in the en face and still from 4D imaging and the *orange arrow* shows the improvement in array to retina distance.