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# Striatonigral Degeneration

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Striatonigral degeneration is a neurological disorder caused by a disruption in the connection between two areas of the brain—the striatum and the substantia nigra. These two areas work together to enable balance and movement. Striatonigral degeneration is a type of multiple system atrophy (MSA). Symptoms of the disorder resemble some of those seen in Parkinson's disease, including rigidity, instability, impaired speech, and slow movements.