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Active Adaptive Detuning Systems To Improve Safety of Interventional Devices

Description of Invention: The invention offered for licensing and commercial development is in the field of Interventional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (“iMRI”). More specifically the invention discloses interventional devices in which the heat generated at the device during the imaging process can be controlled to not exceed acceptable levels.

Active MRI compatible intravascular devices contain RF antenna so that they are visible under MRI. However, these metallic structures may heat up significantly during interventional MRI procedures due to eddy current formation over the conductive transmission lines. The electrical field coupling between interventional devices and RF transmission coils strongly depend on the device position and orientation within the bore and insertion length of the device. Currently, conventional detuning circuit is used to decouple the conductive intravascular device during RF transmission phase of the MRI by activating the circuit with a PIN diode. However, conventional passive techniques do not adapt for each possible orientation or insertion length of the device. The current invention provides for a new active detuning system that adapts its circuit component to limit heating for every possible orientation and insertion length. The system reads out the received current signal value during RF transmission phase and changes the decoupling capacitor value by using varactor and integrated circuit components to reach new resonant condition (very high impedance).

Applications:

- Interventional cardiology
- MRI guided surgery

Advantages: The device may fundamentally enable any “active” MRI catheter device (independent of the orientation and insertion length of the device) to be safe during real-time MRI guided interventional procedures.

Development Status: In development. Prototype is being built.

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Licensing Status: Available for licensing.

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Collaborative Research Opportunity: The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute is seeking statements of capability or interest from parties interested in collaborative research to further develop, evaluate, or commercialize this technology. Please contact Peg Koelble at koelblep@nhlbi.nih.gov for more information.

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National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Closed Meeting

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Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Mouse Models of Host Responses.

Date: April 5, 2011.

Time: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6700B Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20817.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Fellowships: AIDS Predoctoral and Postdoctoral.

Date: March 29, 2011.

Time: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: New York Marriott East Side, 525 Lexington Avenue at 49th Street, New York, NY 10017.

Contact Person: Shiv A Prasad, PhD, Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5220, MSC 7852, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–443–5779, prasads@csr.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Member Conflict Computational Genetics and Genomics.

Date: March 29, 2011.

Time: 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

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