

# fMRI in Perspective

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# Functional MRI

- **27 years since the first results.**
- **Currently, over 4,000 fMRI papers published per year.**
- **Over 52,000 fMRI papers published in total.**
- **At the interface of a wide range of disciplines.**
  - **Noninvasive, fast, whole brain, high-resolution.**
  - **Major impact on our understanding of human brain functional organization**
  - **Wide range of disorders studied...**
  - **No major clinical application yet**

	Day	Date	Bldg	Time	Topic	Lecturer
1	Friday	6/1/2018	Bldg 35A Rm 620/630	2:00 PM	Introduction to Course Topics & History Basics of fMRI	Peter Bandettini
2	Monday	6/4/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Neuroimaging and Neuromodulation at the NIH	Sean Marrett
3	Wednesday	6/6/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Nuts and Bolts of MRI and fMRI scanning	Vinai Roopchansinch
4	Friday	6/8/2018	Bldg 49 Rm 1A51/1A59	2:00 PM	Advanced MRI and fMRI Acquisition Methods	Andy Debyshire
5	Monday	6/11/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	The challenges and opportunities of data sharing	Adam Thomas
6	Wednesday	6/13/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Real time fMRI	Michal Ramot
	Friday	6/15/2018			ISMRM and OHBM	
	Monday	6/18/2018			ISMRM and OHBM	
	Wednesday	6/20/2018			ISMRM and OHBM	
	Friday	6/22/2018			ISMRM and OHBM	
7	Monday	6/25/2018	Bldg 49 Rm 1A51/1A59	2:00 PM	Minimizing noise during fMRI acquisition	Dan Handwerker
8	Wednesday	6/27/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Understanding Visual Processing with fMRI	Elisha Merriam
9	Friday	6/29/2018	Bldg 49 Rm 1A51/1A59	2:00 PM	Assessing individual differences with fMRI	Emily Finn
10	Monday	7/2/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Resting State fMRI	Catie Chang
	Wednesday	7/4/2018			Independence Day	
11	Friday	7/6/2018	Bldg 49 Rm 1A51/1A59	2:00 PM	Predicting Performance with fMRI	David Jangraw
12	Monday	7/9/2018	Bldg 49 Rm 1A51/1A59	2:00 PM	Multivariate pattern analysis of fMRI data	Martin Hebart
13	Wednesday	7/11/2018	Bldg 49 Rm 1A51/1A59	2:00 PM	Encoding and decoding models	Francisco Pereira
14	Friday	7/13/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Multi-echo EPI for task-based and resting-state fMRI	Javier Gonzalez-Castillo
15	Monday	7/16/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	High Field and High Resolution Structural and Functional MRI	Renzo Huber
16	Wednesday	7/18/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Layer specific fMRI	Renzo Huber
17	Friday	7/20/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	EEG/fMRI and the study of Language	Peter Molfese
18	Monday	7/23/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Pharmacologic fMRI	Jen Evans
19	Wednesday	7/25/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Neurdegegerative disorders	Silvina Horovitz
20	Friday	7/27/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	fMRI of pain	Lauren Atlas
21	Monday	7/30/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Perfusion Imaging	Lalith Talagala
22	Wednesday	8/1/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	PET for Precision Medicine and Drug Development	Bob Innis
23	Friday	8/3/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Magnetoencephalography (MEG)	Fred Carver
24	Monday	8/6/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Imaging Changes in Brain Anatomy	Cibu Thomas
25	Wednesday	8/8/2018	Bldg 49 Rm 1A51/1A59	2:00 PM	Neuromodulation methods	Bruce Luber
26	Friday	8/10/2018	Bldg 49 Rm 1A51/1A59	2:00 PM	Efficient Modeling through Information Sharing	Gang Chen
27	Monday	8/13/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	T1 Contrast, MPRAGE and MT	Peter van Gelderen
28	Wednesday	8/15/2018	Bldg 49 Rm 1A51/1A59	2:00 PM	Studying CNS diseases with advanced MRI	Pascal Sati
29	Friday	8/17/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Quantitative MRI	Govind Bhagavatheeshwaran
30	Monday	8/20/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Imaging Stroke and Traumatic Brain Injury	Lawrence Latour
31	Wednesday	8/22/2018	Bldg 49 Rm 1A51/1A59	2:00 PM	Diffusion MRI: Basics and Limits	Joelle Sarlis & Carlo Pierpaoli
32	Friday	8/24/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Depression and Multimodal Neuroimaging	Allison Nugent
33	Monday	8/27/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Anatomical and Functional Neuroimaging in Animal Models	Afonso Silva
34	Wednesday	8/29/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	Genetics and Neuroimaging: How to analyze imaging data and SNPs	Yin Yao
35	Friday	8/31/2018	Bldg 40 I201/I203	2:00 PM	The Future of NeuroImaging and Course Conclusion	Peter Bandettini

# **fMRI in Perspective**

**How did this all begin?**

**First challenges and opportunities.**

**What has improved?**

**What has not improved?**

**Current challenges and opportunities.**

**Where are we going?**

**Ultimate limits and applications?**



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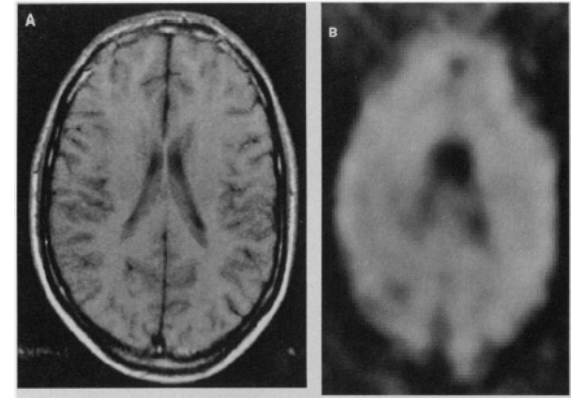
**Ultimate limits and applications?**

# Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging in Medicine and Physiology

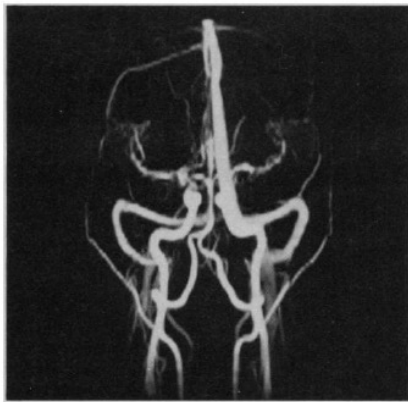
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**(1990) Science, 250, 53-61.**

**metabolic imaging (NAA)**



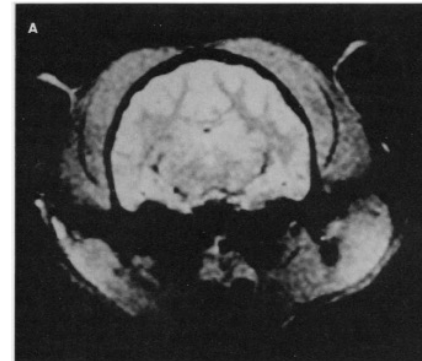
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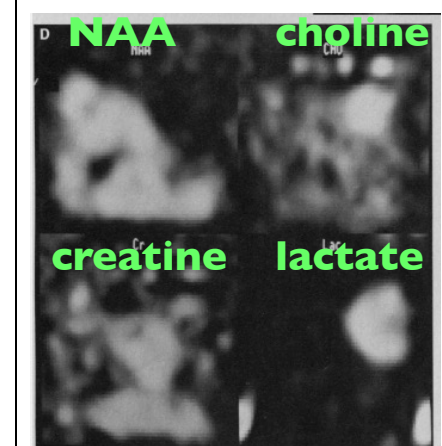
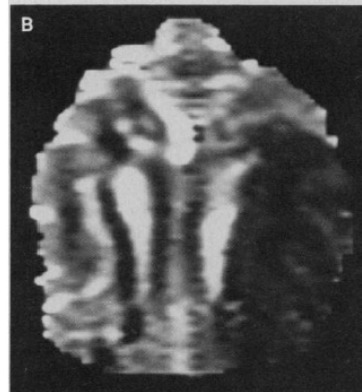
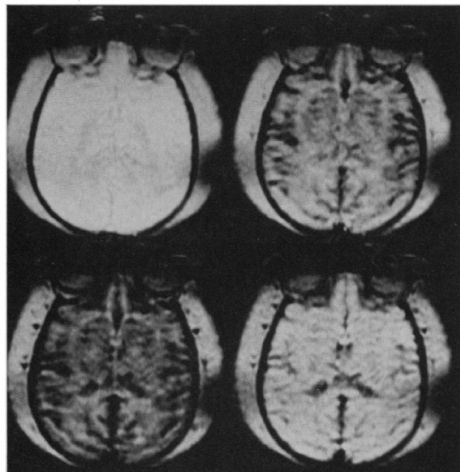
**Diffusion**



**magnetization transfer**

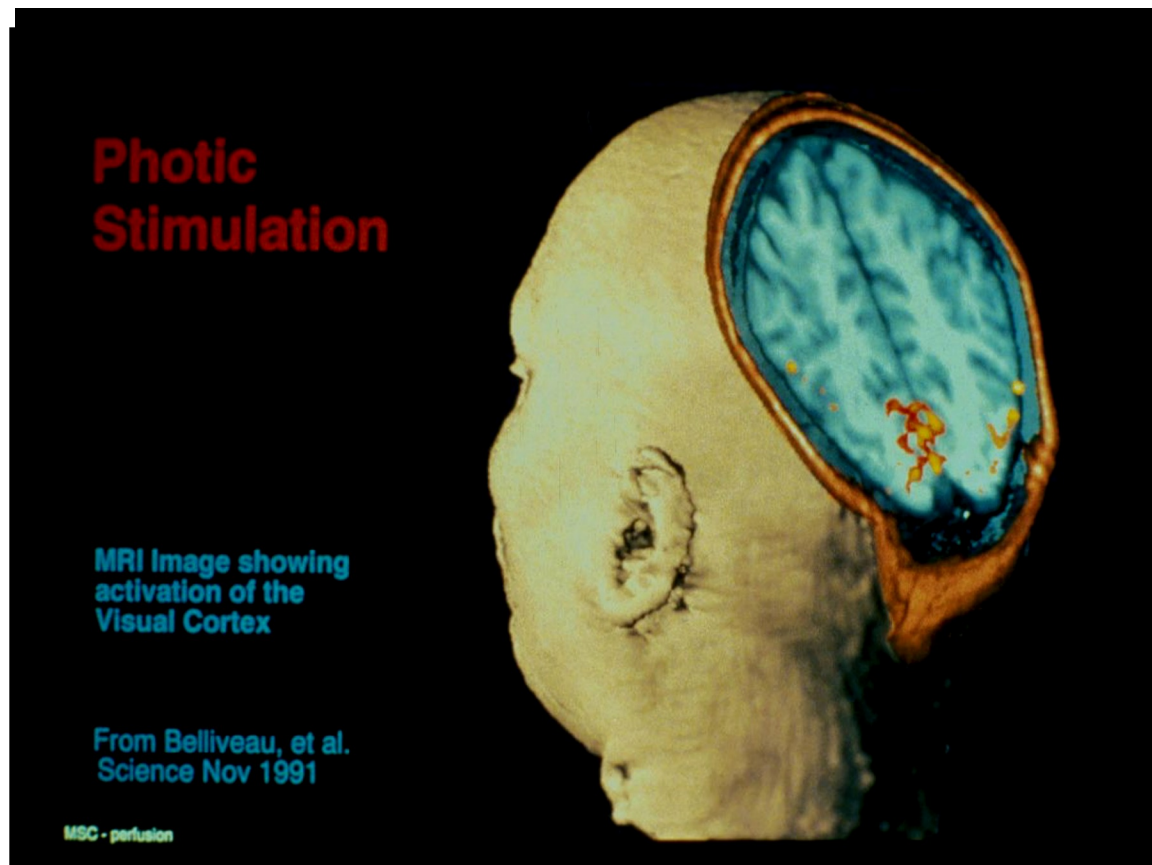


**Gadolinium perfusion**



# The First Functional MRI Results (MGH & Jack Belliveau - 1991)

- Bolus injection of a susceptibility contrast agent.
- Time series collection of T2 - weighted images.



# Fundamental Work towards BOLD contrast :

L. Pauling, C. D. Coryell, *Proc.Natl.Acad. Sci. USA* 22, 210-216, **1936**.

*(Blood susceptibility changes with oxygenation)*

K.R.Thulborn, J. C.Waterton, et al., *Biochim. Biophys.Acta.* 714: 265-270, **1982**.

*(Blood T2 is proportional to oxygenation & mechanism is bulk susceptibility)*

S. Ogawa, T. M. Lee, A. R. Kay, D.W.Tank, *Proc. Natl.Acad. Sci. USA* 87, 9868-9872, **1990**.

*(T2 and T2\* modulation in vessels in living rat brains with oxygenation changes)*

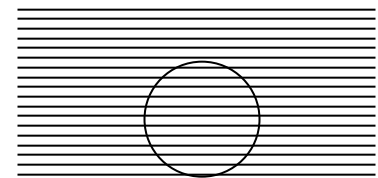
Turner, R., LeBihan, D., Moonen, C.T.W., Despres, D. & Frank, J. *MRM*, 22, 159-166, **1991**

*(T2\* modulation with cat brain with oxygenation changes)*

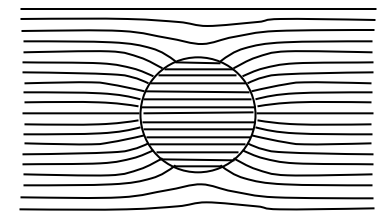


red blood cells

oxygenated

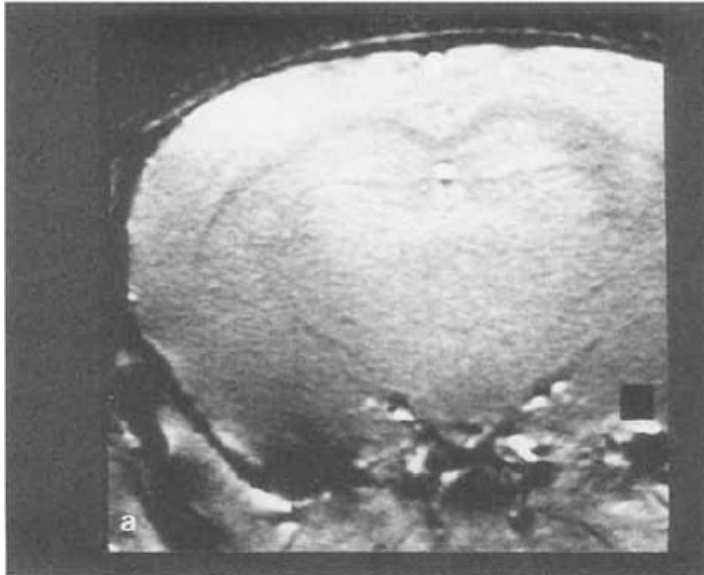


deoxygenated

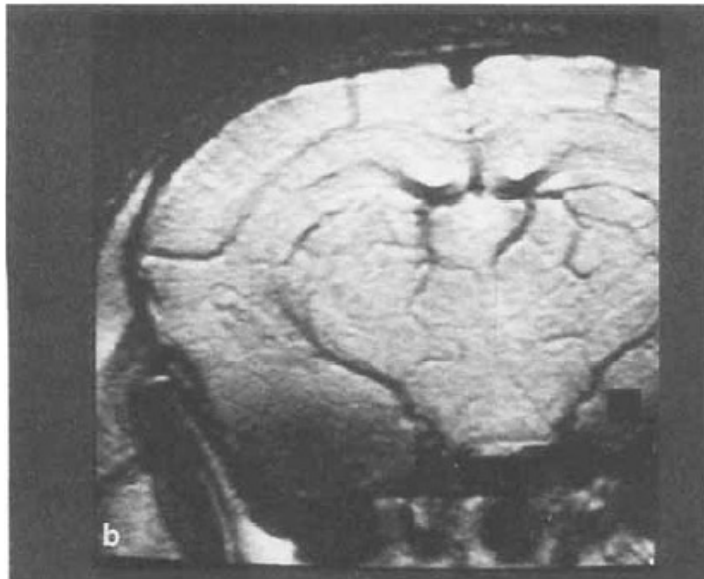


**in vivo**

**100% O<sub>2</sub>**

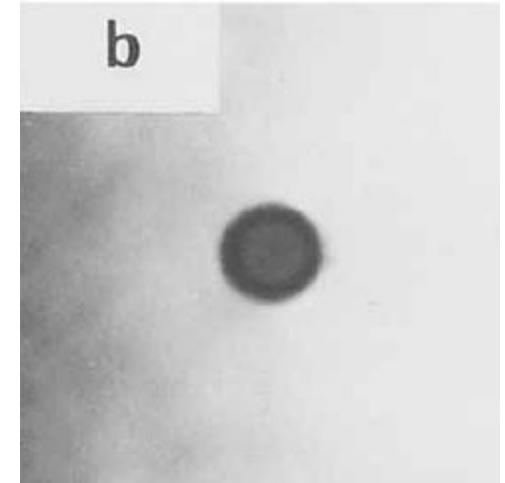


**20% O<sub>2</sub>**

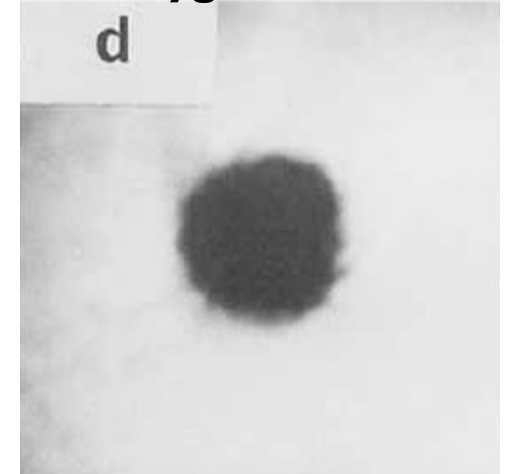


**in vitro**

**100% oxygenated blood**



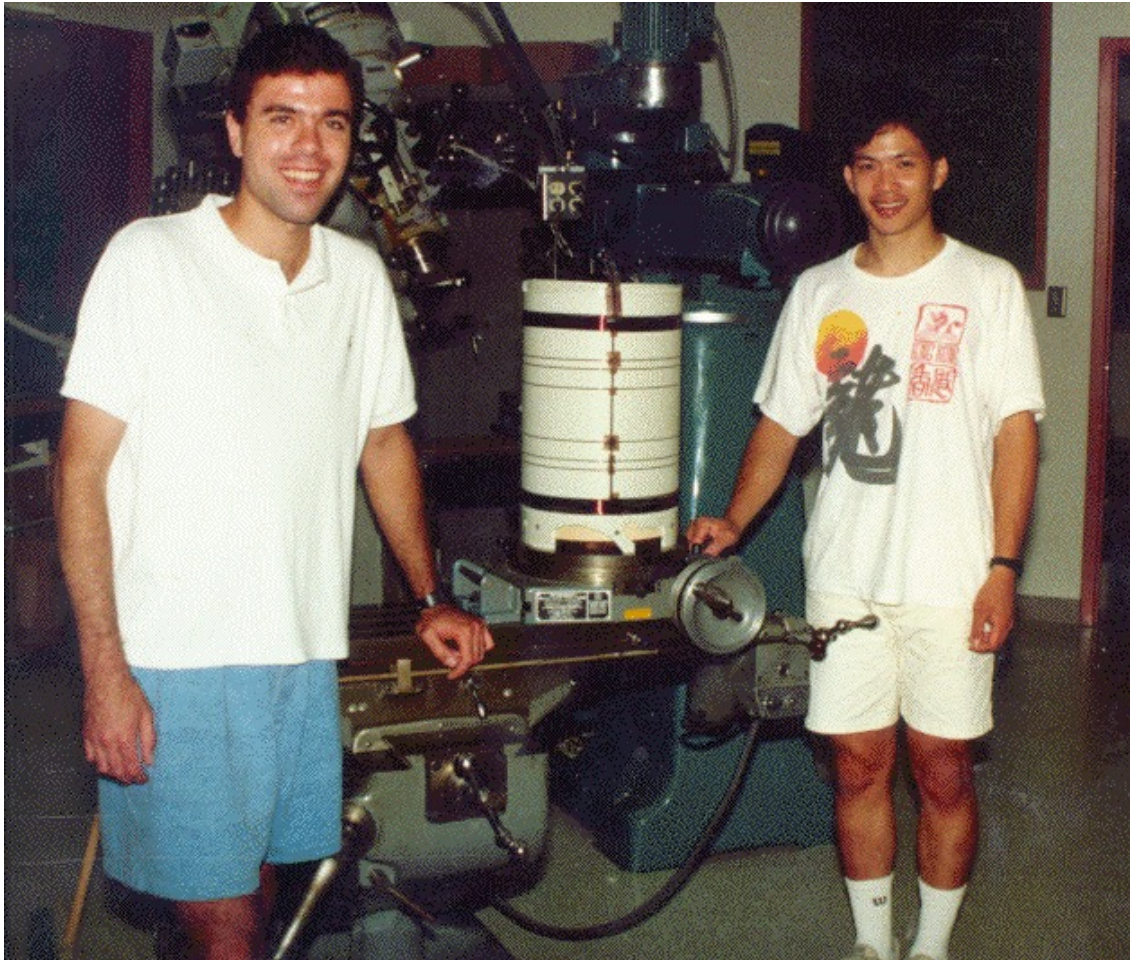
**0% oxygenated blood**



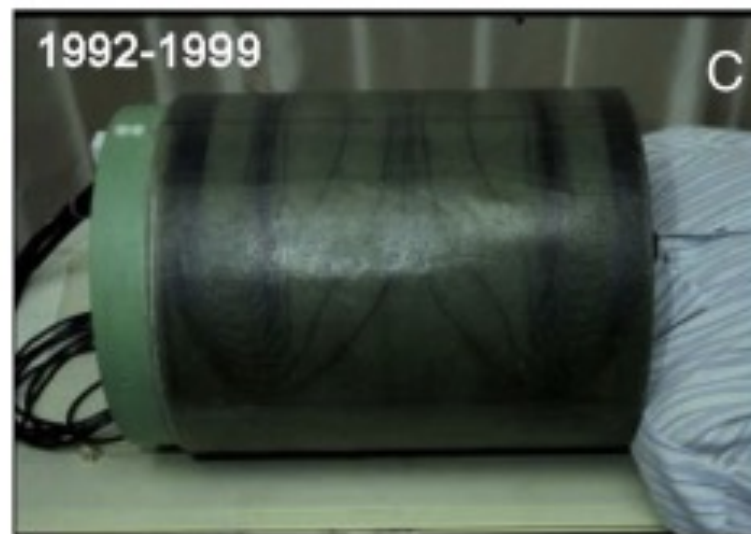
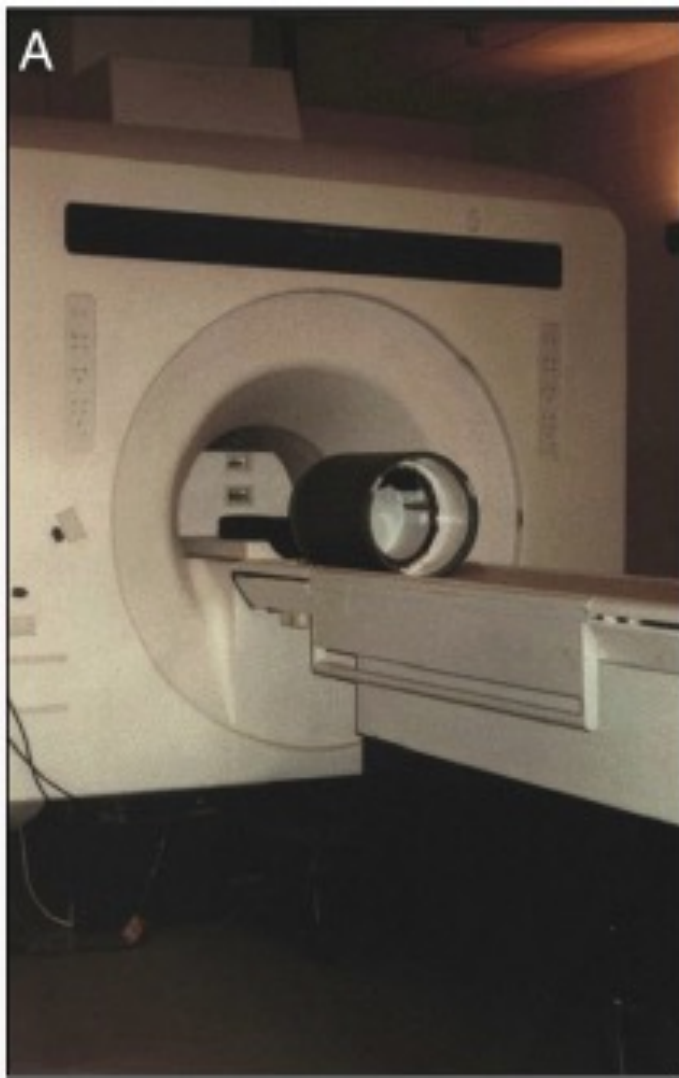




**just before that meeting...**

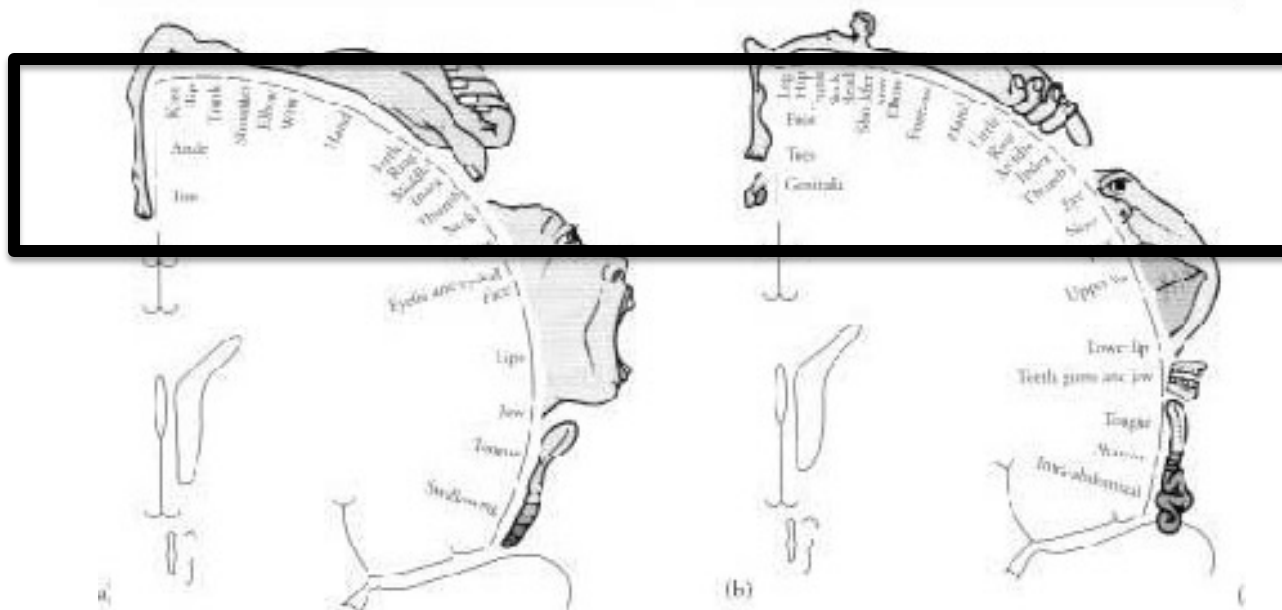


**August, 1991**





Initially could only do one slice...

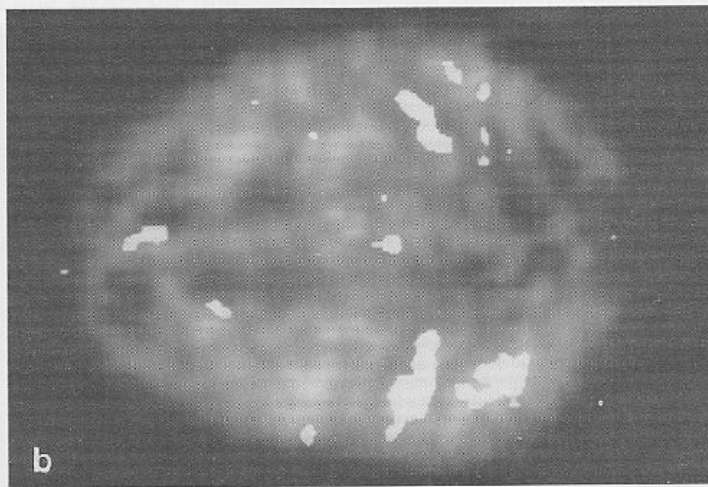
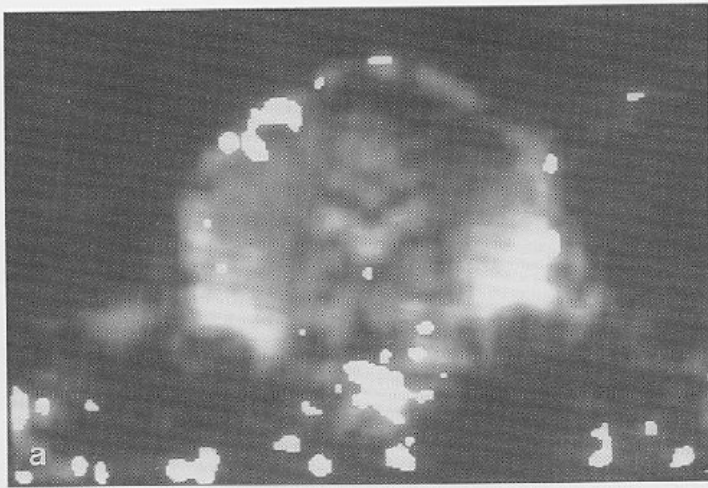


**2.5 cm !**

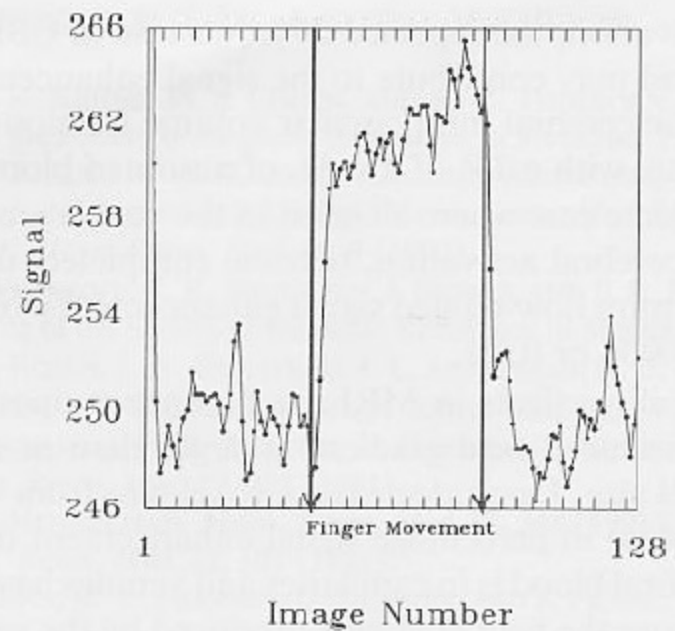
**TR = 2 sec**  
**TE = 50 ms**  
**One slice**  
**In plane 3.75 x 3.75**



1991

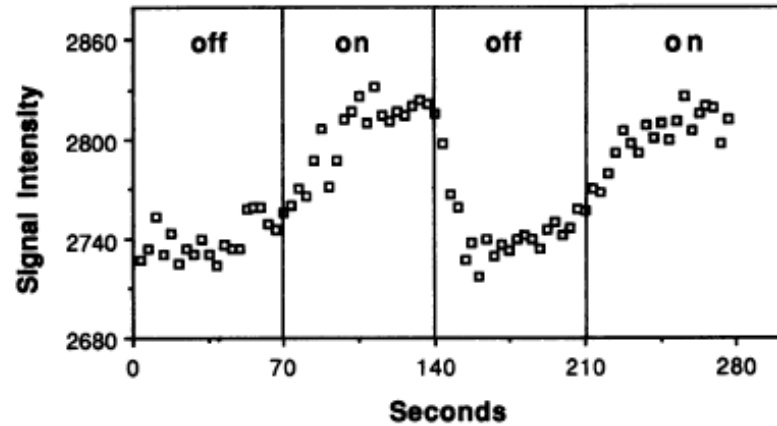


**P. A. Bandettini, et al., (1992)**  
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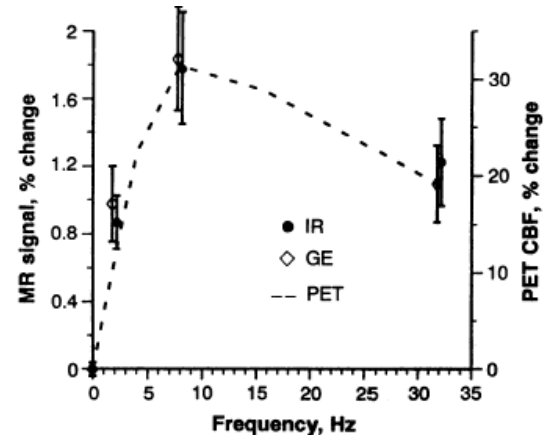
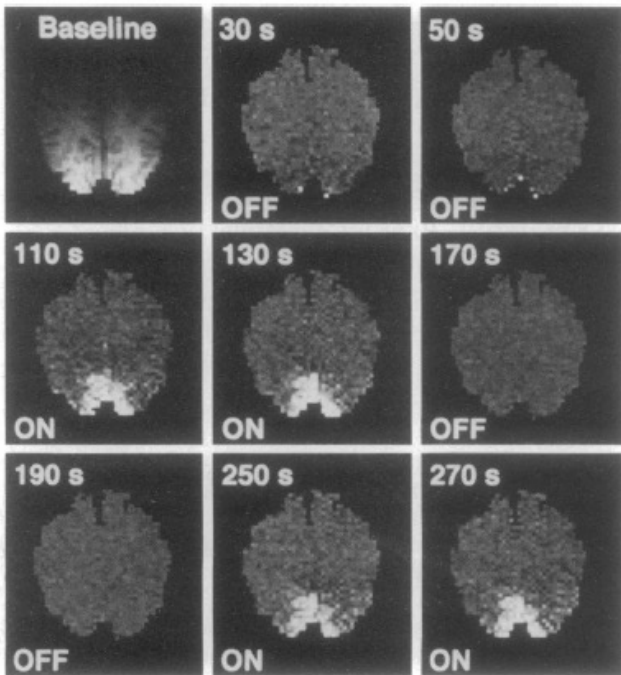
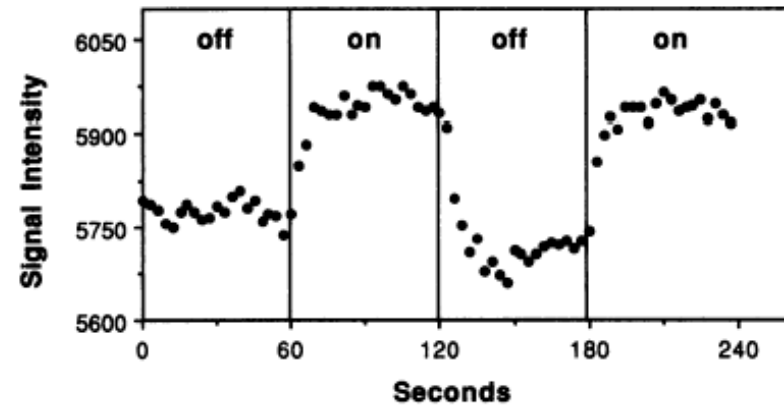




Photic Stimulation -- IR Images

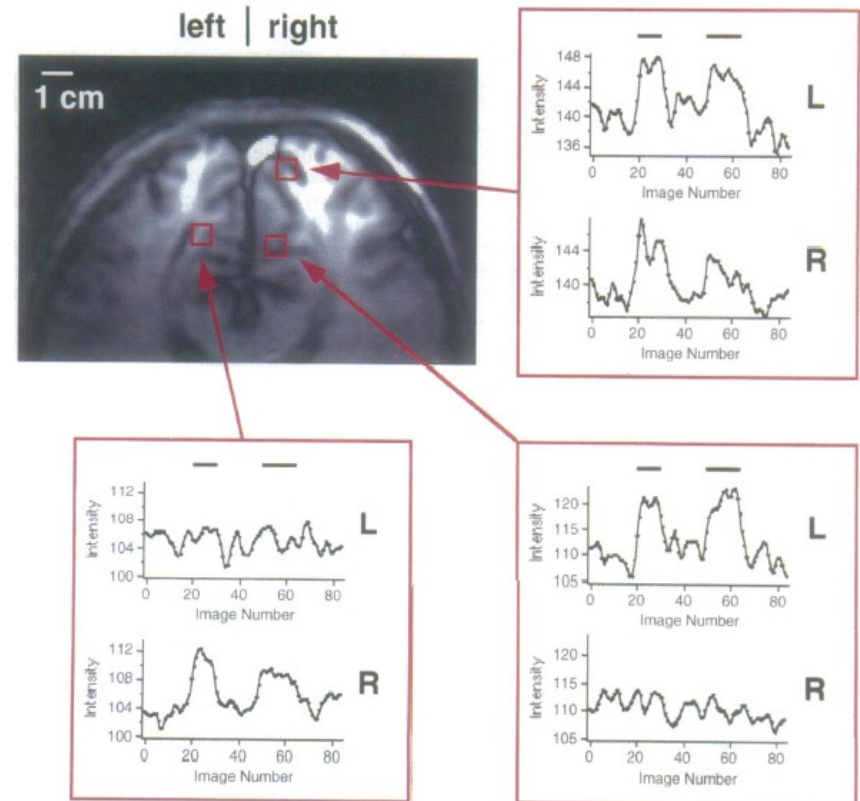
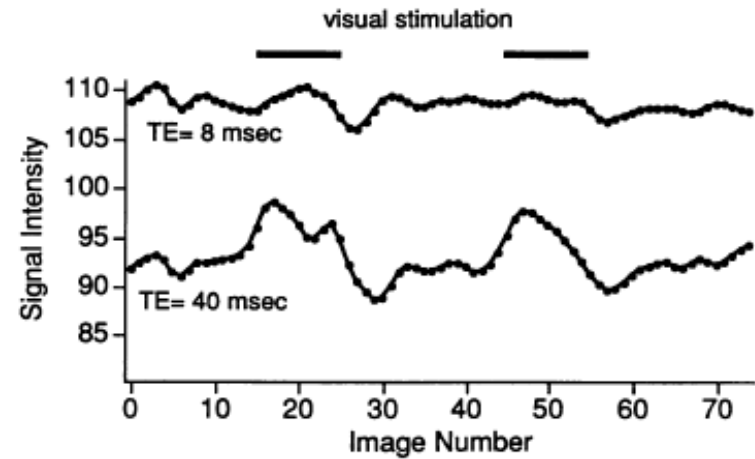
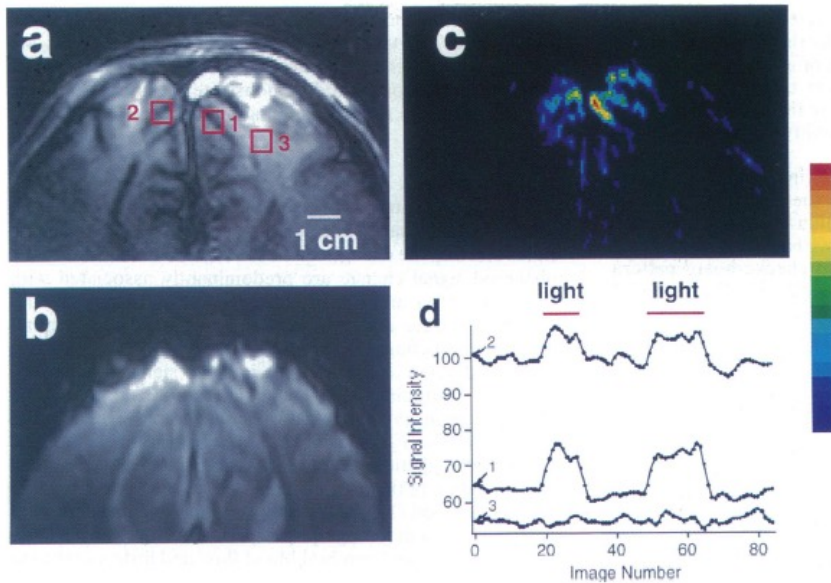


Photic Stimulation -- GE Images



K. K. Kwong, et al, (1992) "Dynamic magnetic resonance imaging of human brain activity during primary sensory stimulation." Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA. 89, 5675-5679.

## Multi-shot results at 4T, U. Minnesota.



S. Ogawa, et al., (1992) "Intrinsic signal changes accompanying sensory stimulation: functional brain mapping with magnetic resonance imaging." *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA.* 89, 5951-5955.



# Technology

Coil arrays  
High field strength  
Novel sequences

# Methodology

Paradigm designs  
Multi-modal integration  
Real time feedback  
Processing Methods

Fluctuations  
Dynamics  
Functional Resolution

# Interpretation

Healthy Brain *Organization,*  
*Changes, Dynamics*  
Clinical Research  
Clinical Applications

# Applications

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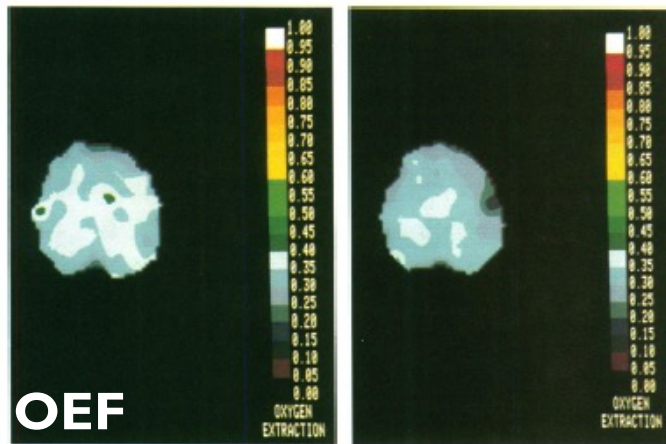
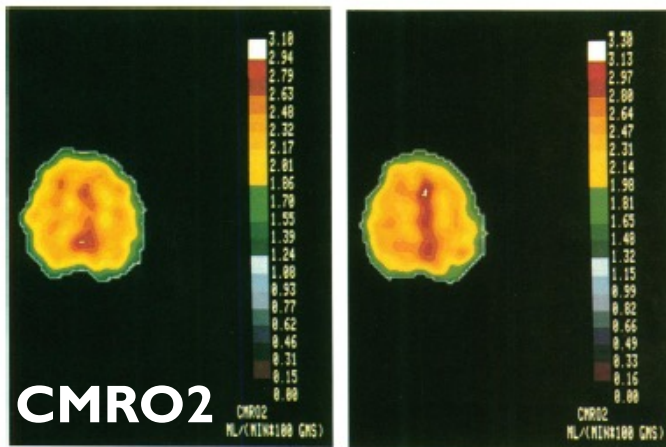
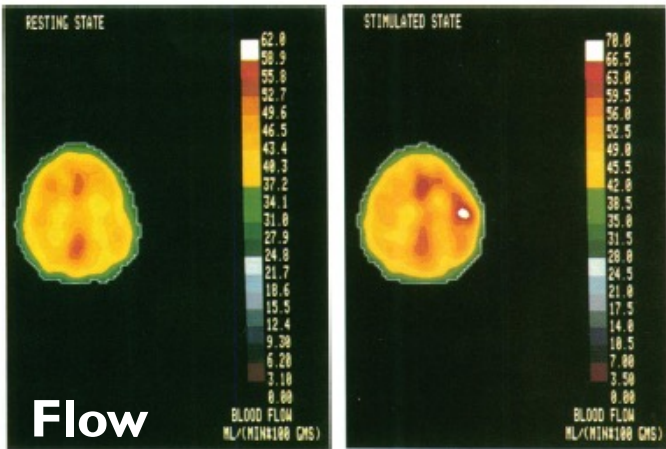
## **First Challenges...**

- **Prove it's meaningful**
- **Characterize it**
- **Improve it**



Rest

Activation



Focal physiological uncoupling of cerebral blood flow and oxidative metabolism during somatosensory stimulation in human subjects

(positron emission tomography)

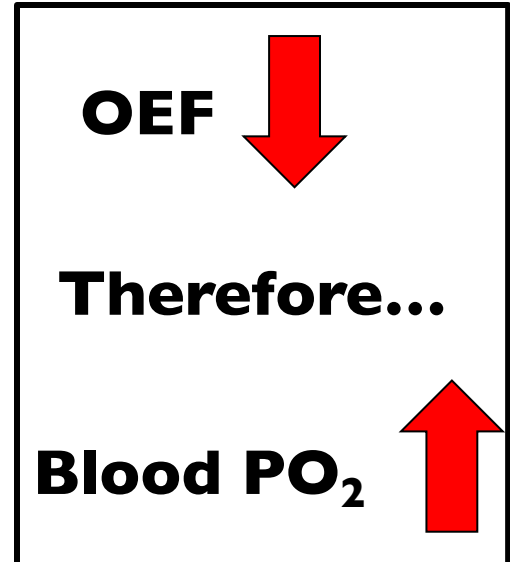
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Communicated by Oliver H. Lowry, October 7, 1985

FIG. 1. Physiological uncoupling of brain blood flow and metabolism. (Left) Resting-state measurements. (Right) Stimulated-state measurements (unilateral vibrotactile stimulation of the fingers). All images are from a single subject's scanning session and pass through the same brain plane. Color scales are linear with the maxima set at a fixed multiple (1.6) of the global average, to facilitate visual comparisons (16). During specific somatosensory stimulation a marked focal increase in CBF (29% of mean, nine subjects, three trials per subject) was produced in the contralateral sensorimotor cortex. The observed increase in the CMRO<sub>2</sub> was much smaller (5% of mean, nine subjects, three trials per subject) and failed to attain sig-

nificance. This physiological uncoupling of CBF and CMRO<sub>2</sub> flow produced a highly significant decrease in the local OEF (-19% of mean), indicating that tissue PO<sub>2</sub> (and probably pH) rose during stimulation. Note that, although the data were analyzed as contralateral/ipsilateral ratios (see text and Tables 1-4), the disparity between blood flow and metabolism was evident from the raw data and was not dependent on a particular strategy of analysis.



**Cerebral Tissue Activation**



**Local Vasodilatation**



**Increase in Cerebral Blood Flow and Volume**



**Oxygen Delivery Exceeds Metabolic Need**



**Increase in Capillary and Venous Blood Oxygenation**



**Decrease in Deoxy-hemoglobin**

*Deoxy-hemoglobin: paramagnetic  
Oxy-hemoglobin: diamagnetic*



**Decrease in susceptibility-related intravoxel dephasing**



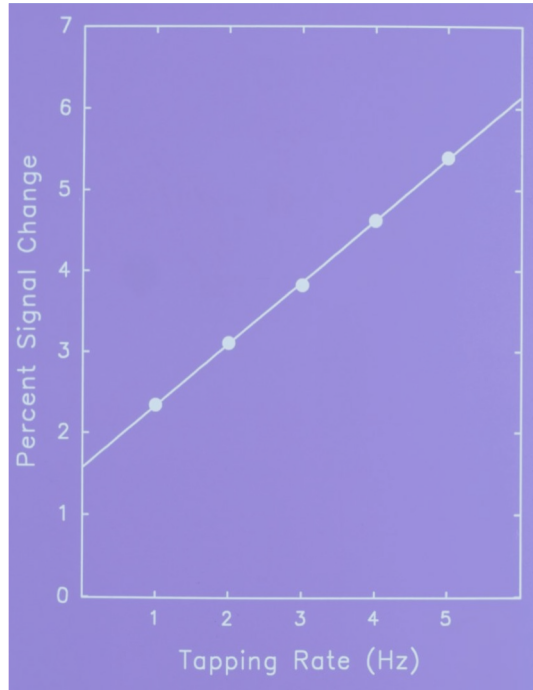
**Increase in T2 and T2\***



**Local Signal Increase in T2 and T2\* - weighted sequences**

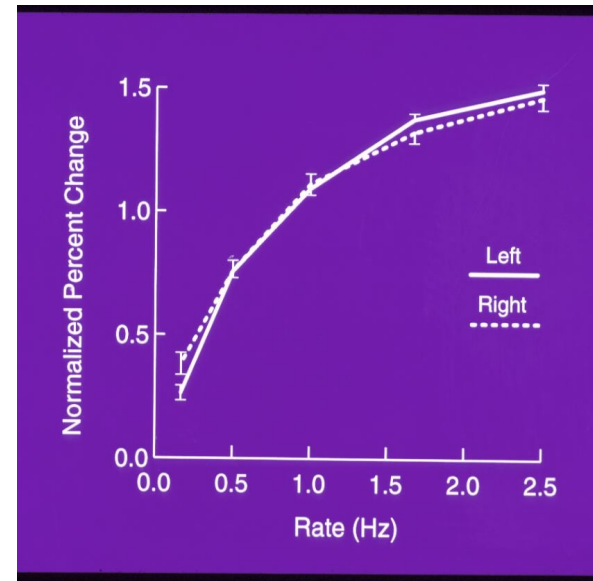
# Parametric Manipulation

Motor Cortex



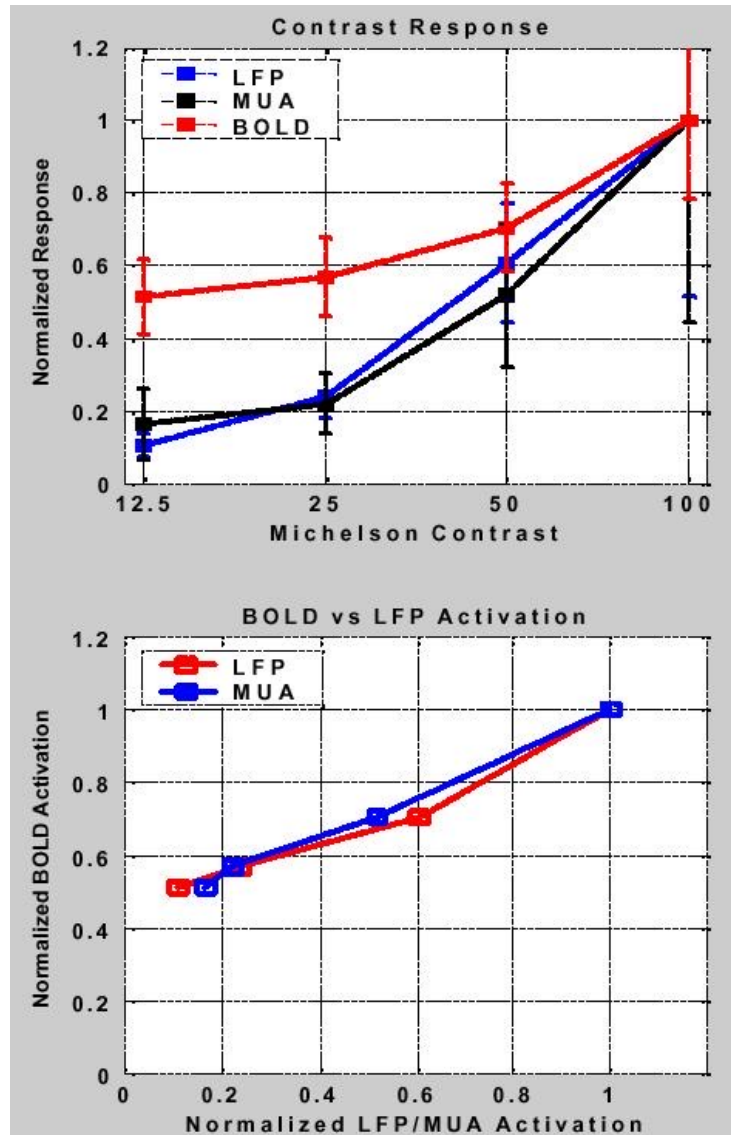
S. M. Rao et al, (1996) "Relationship between finger movement rate and functional magnetic resonance signal change in human primary motor cortex." *J. Cereb. Blood Flow and Met.* 16, 1250-1254.

Auditory Cortex



J. R. Binder, et al, (1994). "Effects of stimulus rate on signal response during functional magnetic resonance imaging of auditory cortex." *Cogn. Brain Res.* 2, 31-38

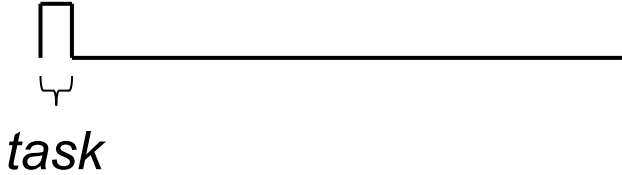
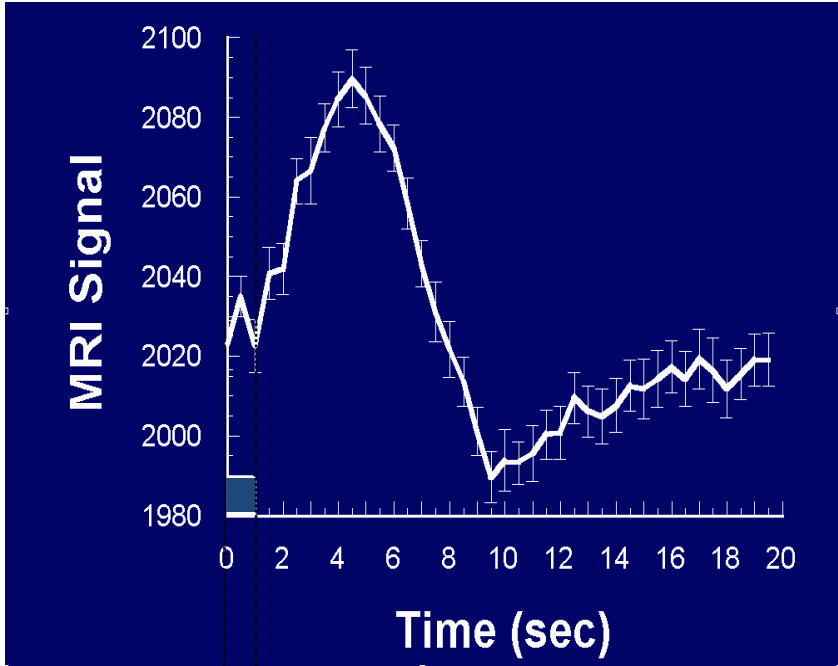
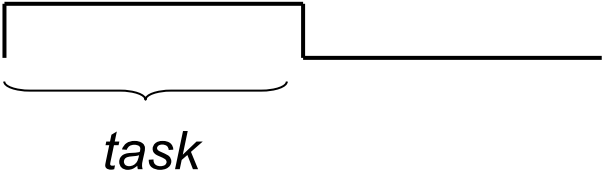
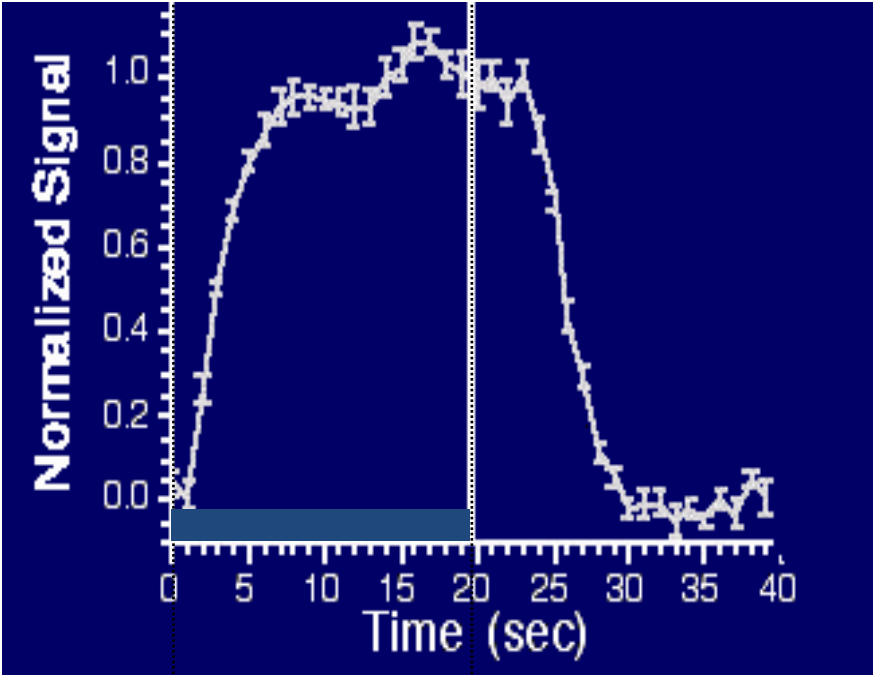
# Prove it's Meaningful



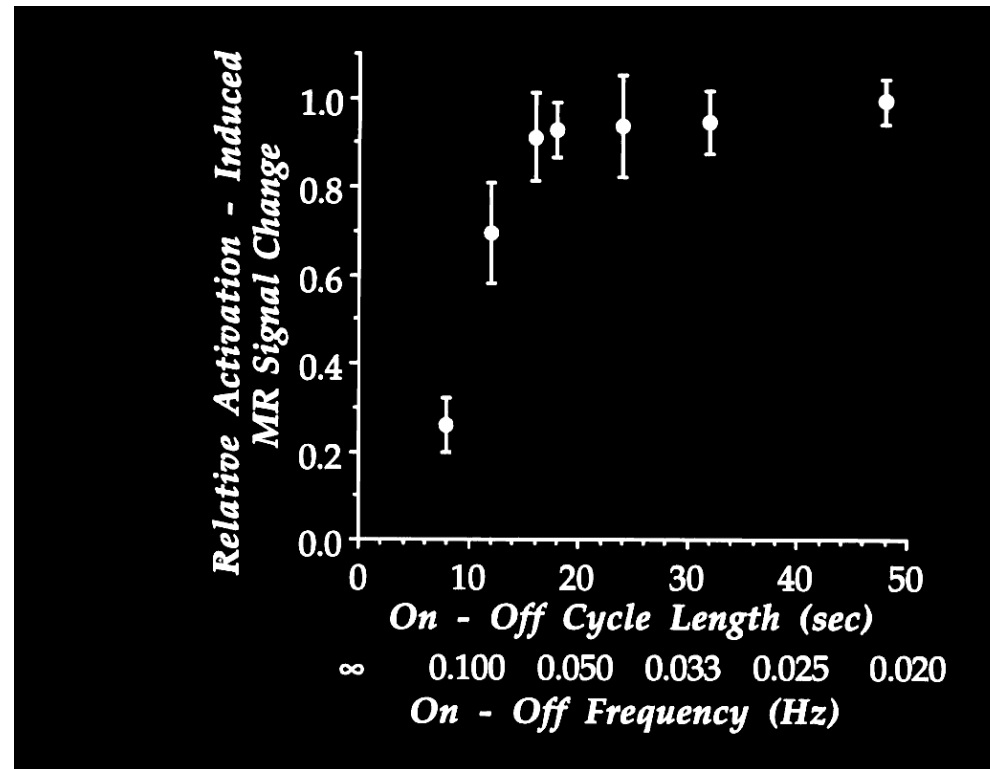
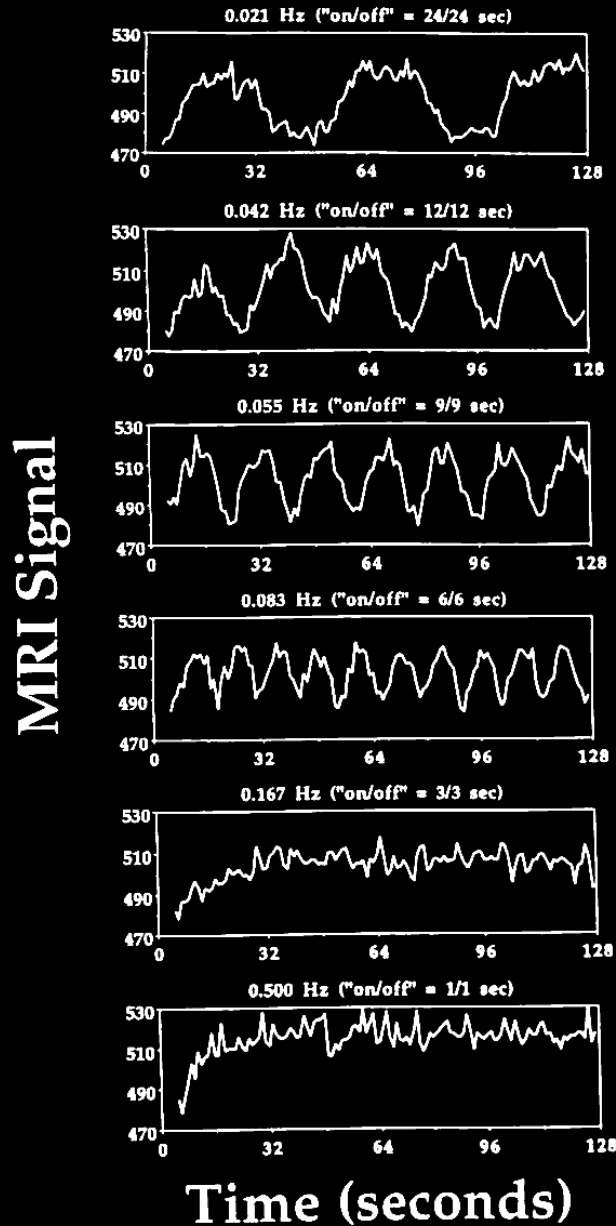
## Mechanisms of BOLD: Neuronal Correlates

**Logothetis et al. (2001) "Neurophysiological investigation of the basis of the fMRI signal" Nature, 412, 150-157**

### Dynamic Characteristics of BOLD



How rapidly can one switch on and off?

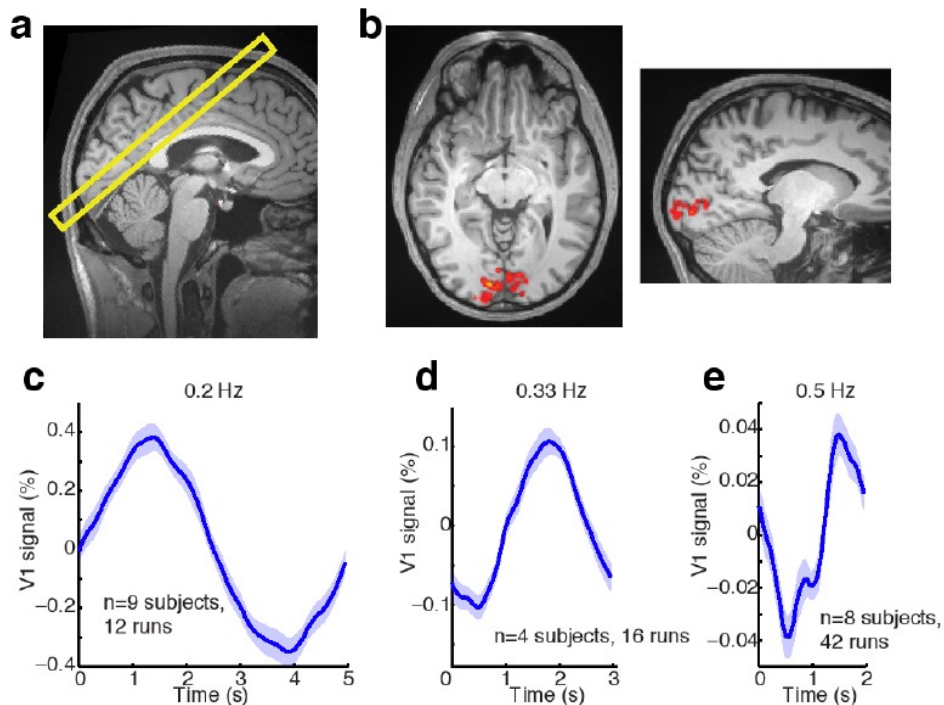
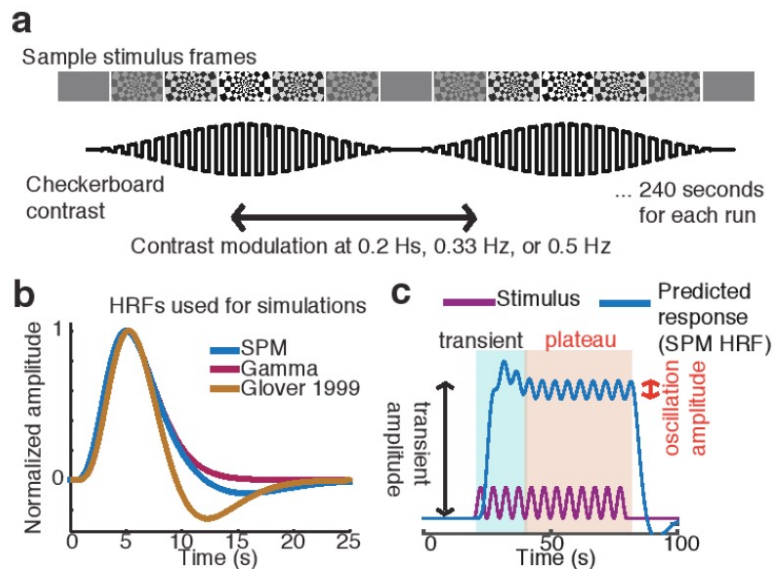


P. A. Bandettini, Functional MRI using the BOLD approach: dynamic characteristics and data analysis methods, in "Diffusion and Perfusion: Magnetic Resonance Imaging" (D. L. Bihan, Ed.), p.351-362, Raven Press, New York, 1995.



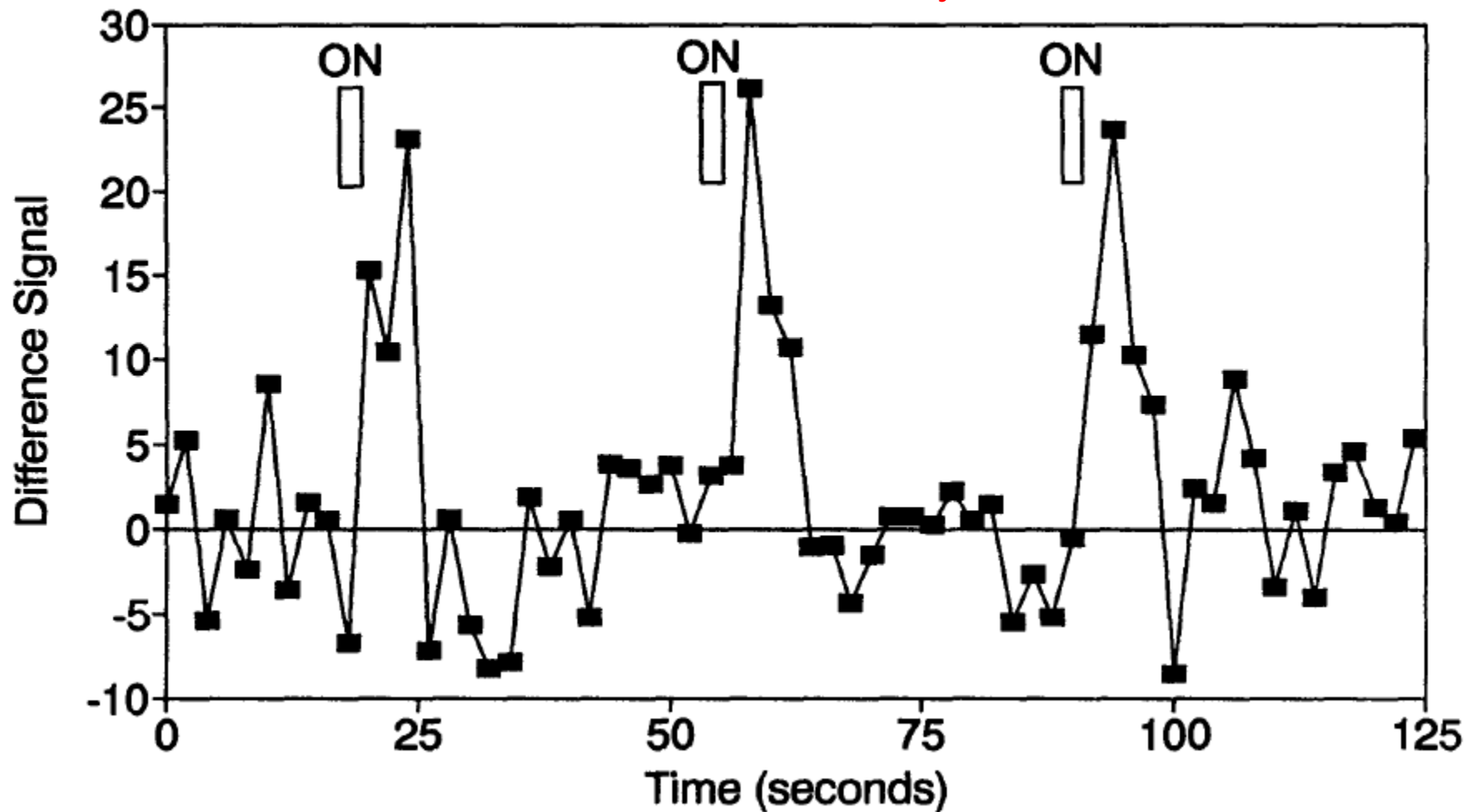
# Characterize It

Recently, even faster driven oscillations (0.5Hz...and potentially 0.75 Hz) were detected...



Lewis, et al. PNAS 2016

The first event-related study.

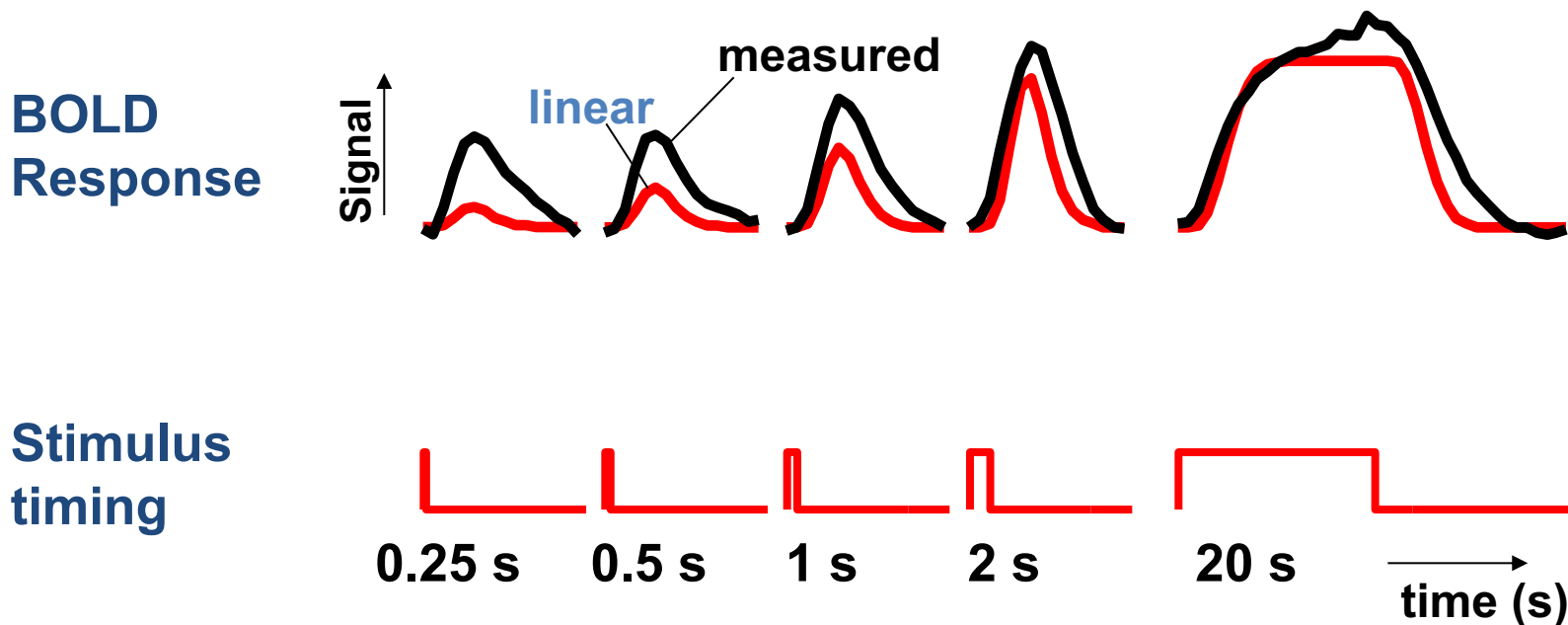


Blamire, A. M., et al. (1992). "Dynamic mapping of the human visual cortex by high-speed magnetic resonance imaging." *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 89: 11069-11073.



## Dynamic Characteristics of BOLD

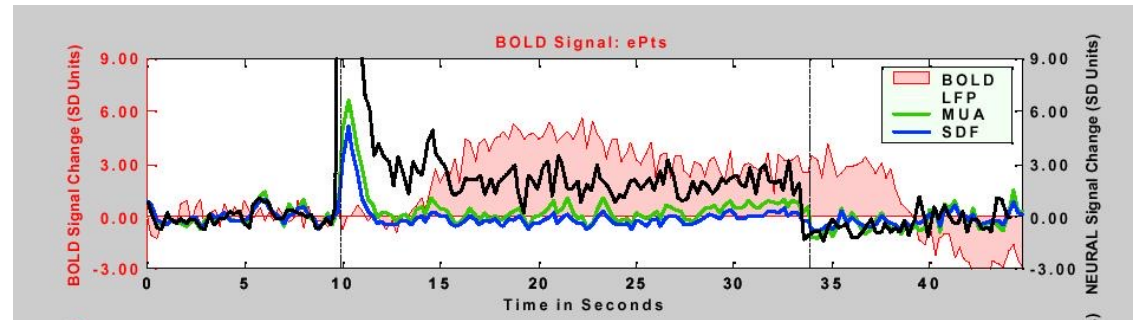
# Different stimulus “ON” periods



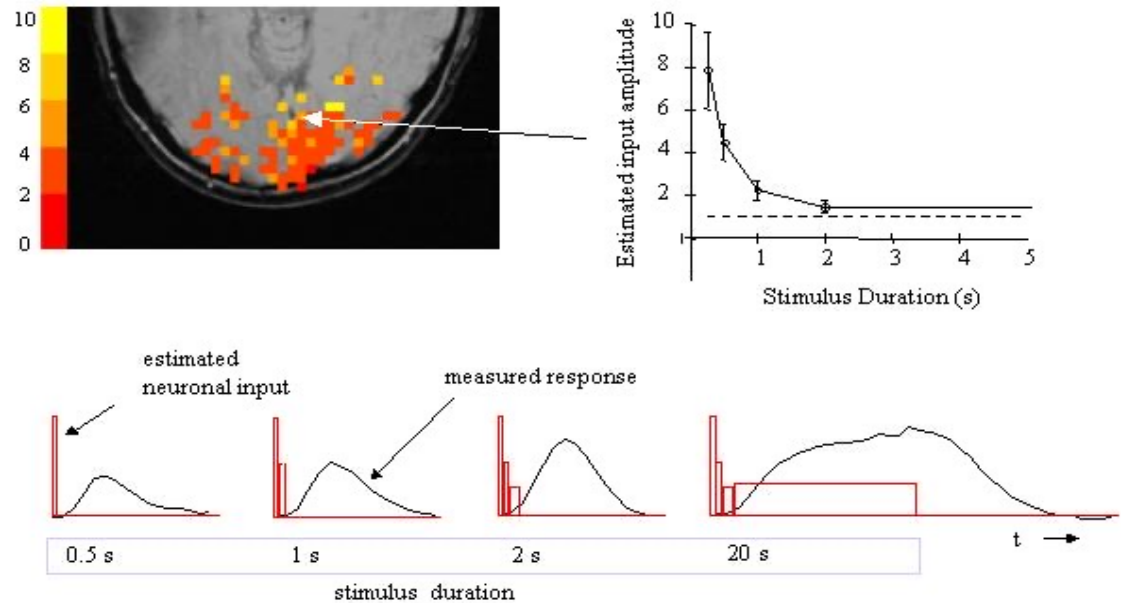
**Brief stimuli produce larger responses than expected**

# BOLD Correlation with Neuronal Activity

Logothetis et al. (2001)  
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Nature, 412, 150-157.

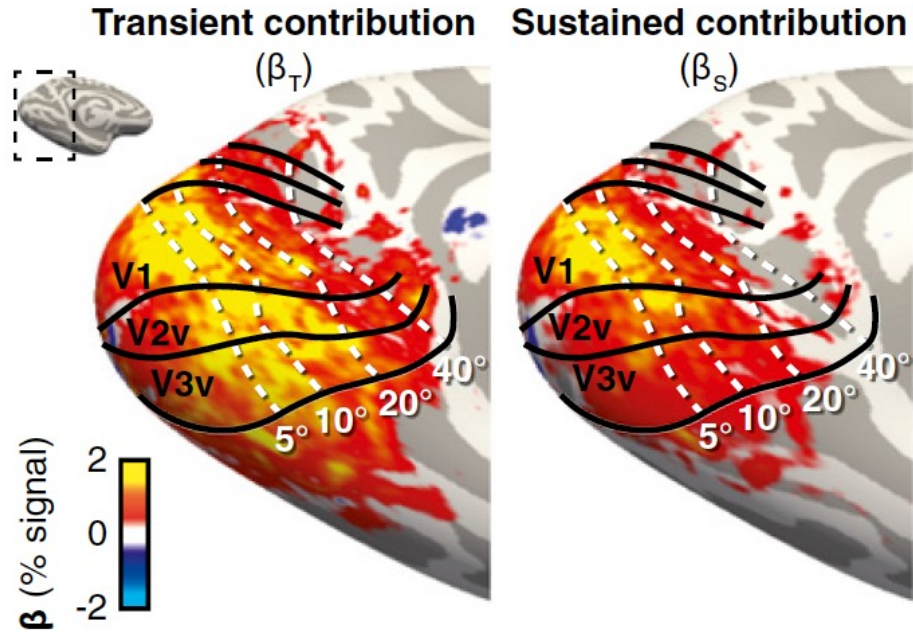


P. A. Bandettini and L. G.  
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to BOLD: new connections.”  
Nature Neuroscience, 4: 864-866.



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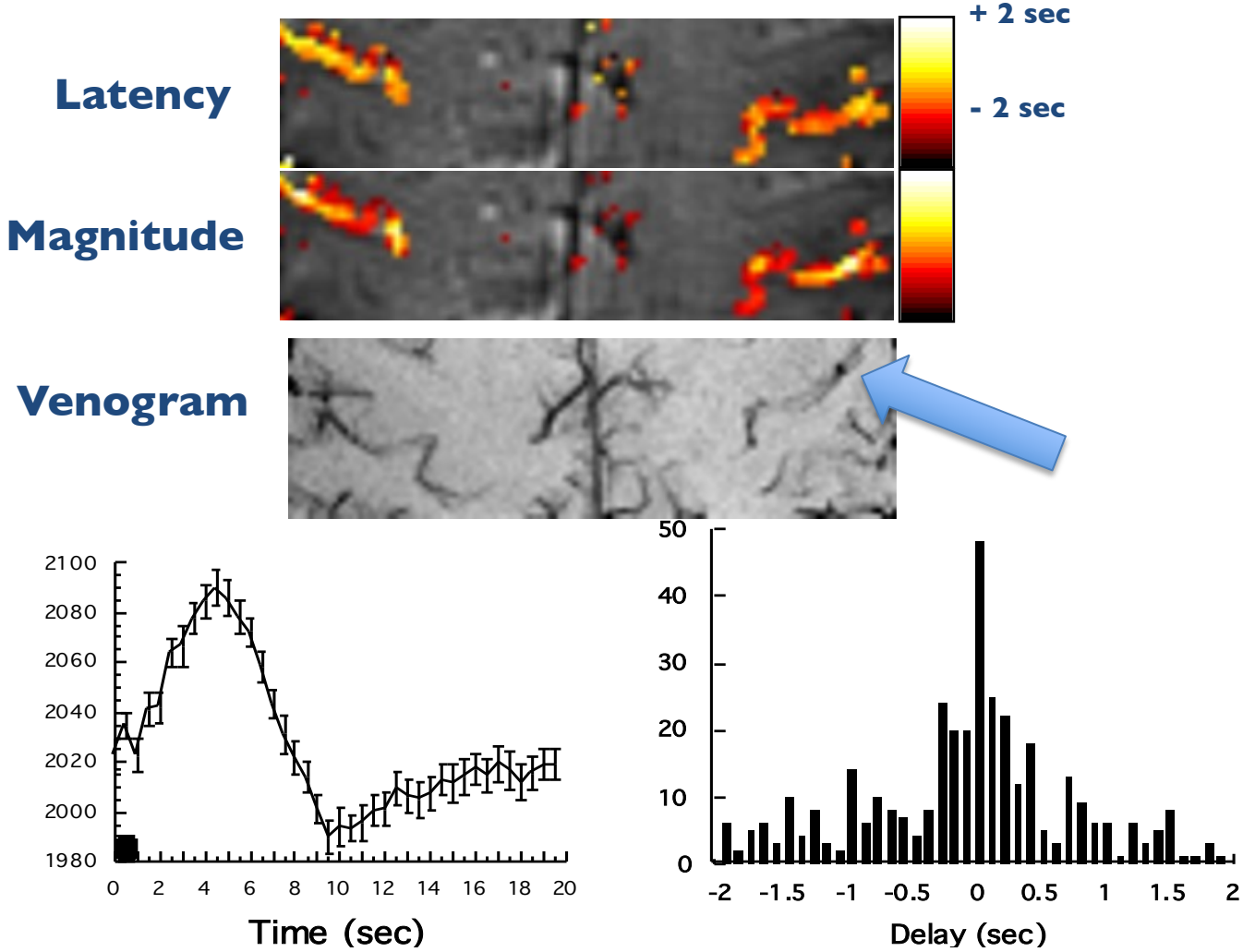
## A Channel contributions across V1-V3



Stigliani, A., Jeska, B., and Grill-Spector, K. et Encoding model of temporal processing in Human visual cortex, E11047–E11056 PNAS 2017

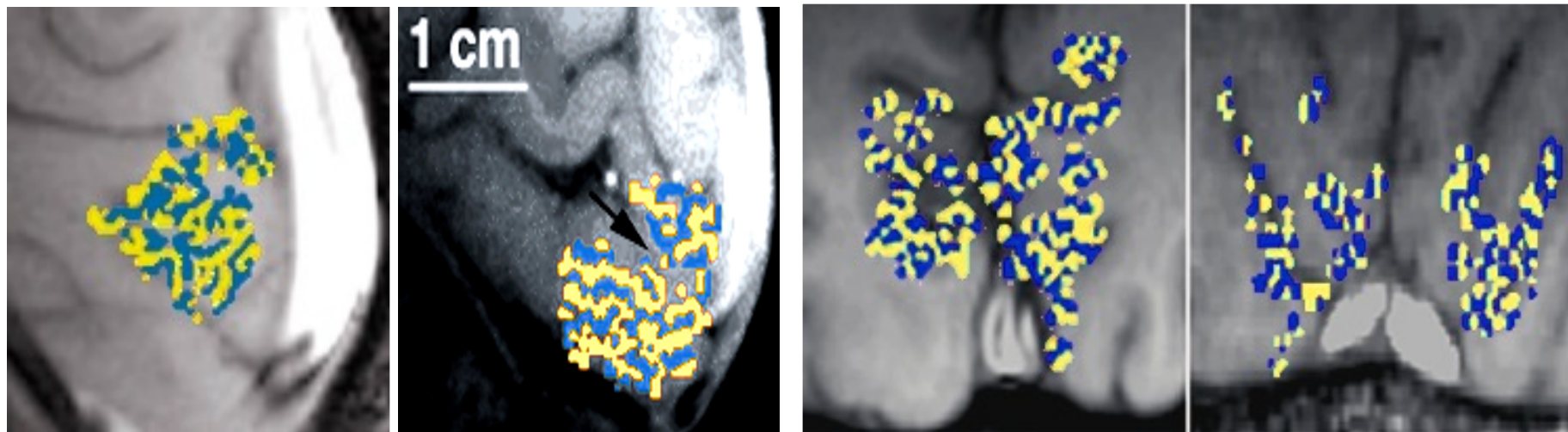
# Characterize It

## Latency Variation... **DRAINING VEIN EFFECTS!**



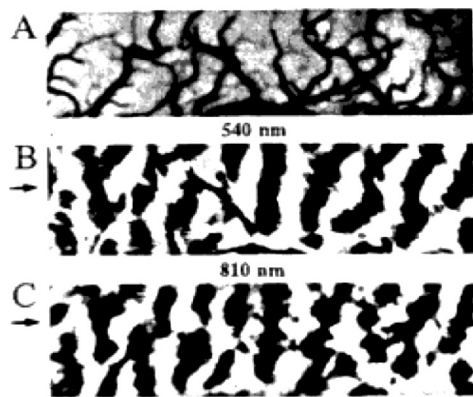
P.A. Bandettini, (1999) "Functional MRI" 205-220.

# Ocular Dominance Column Mapping

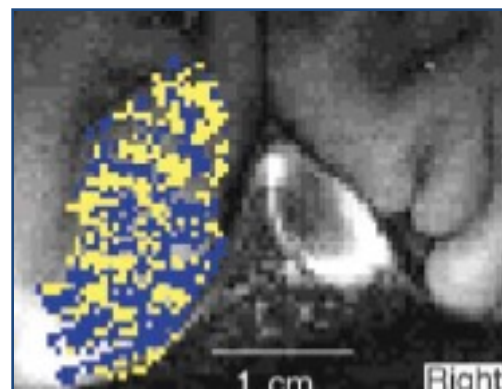


**Menon, R. S., S. Ogawa, et al. (1997). J Neurophysiol 77(5): 2780-7.**  
0.54 x 0.54 in plane resolution

## Optical Imaging



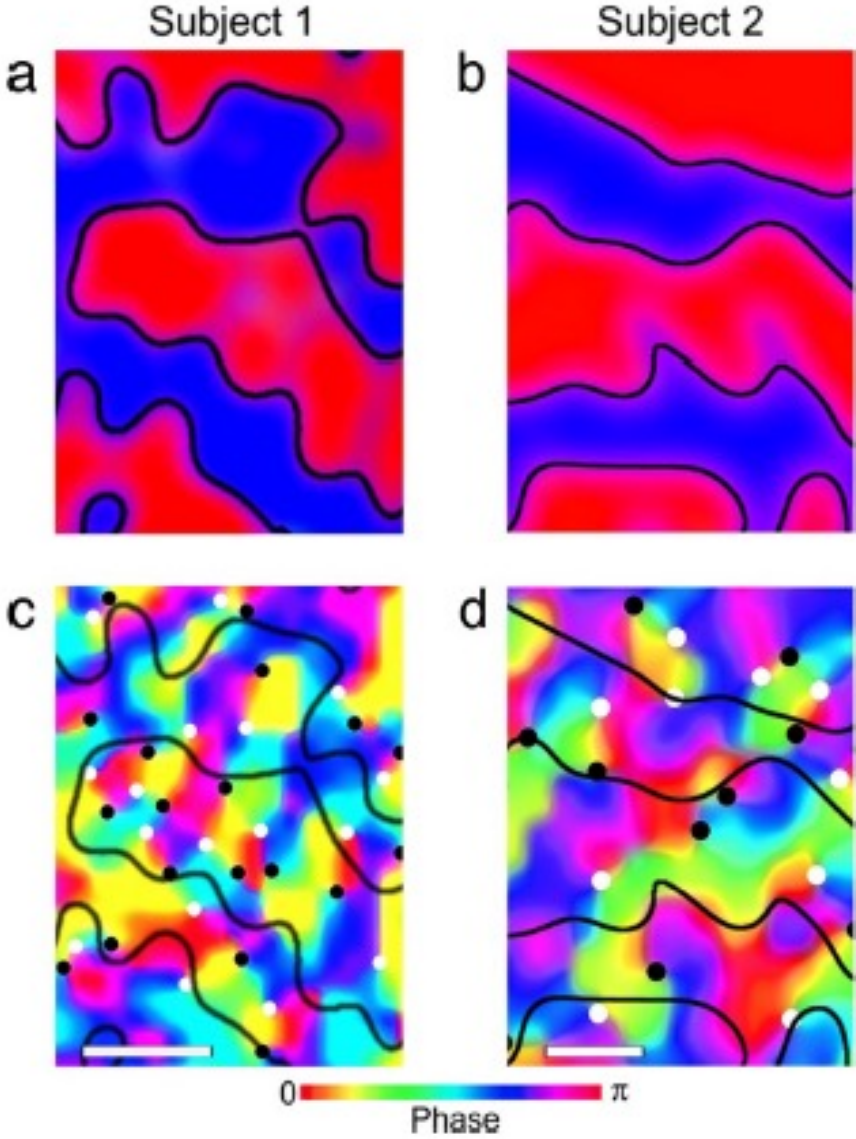
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**Cheng, et al. (2001) Neuron, 32:359-374**  
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# Characterize It



Orientation Columns  
in Human V1  
as Revealed by fMRI  
at 7T

**Yacoub et al. PNAS 2008**

## **First Opportunities...**

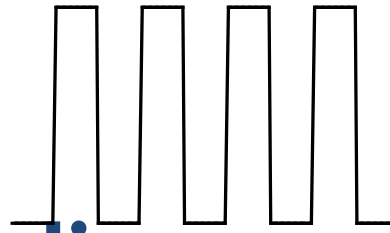
- **New Contrasts**
- **New Paradigms**
- **New Processing Methods**
- **New Applications**

# fMRI Contrast

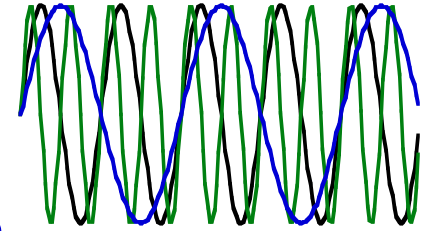
- **Volume (gadolinium)** 1991
- **BOLD (GE and SE)** 1992
- **Perfusion (ASL)** 1992
- **$\Delta\text{CMRO}_2$**  1998
- **$\Delta\text{Volume (VASO)}$**  2001
- **Neuronal Currents?**
- **Diffusion coefficient?**
- **Temperature?**
- **Elastography?**



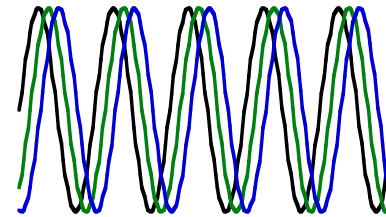
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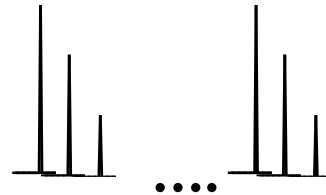
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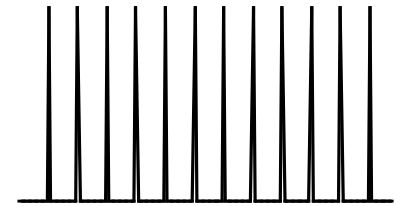
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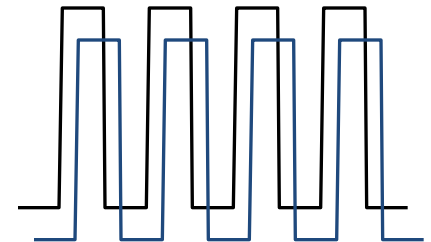
**4. Event-Related**



**5. fMRI adaptation**



**6. Orthogonal Block Design**

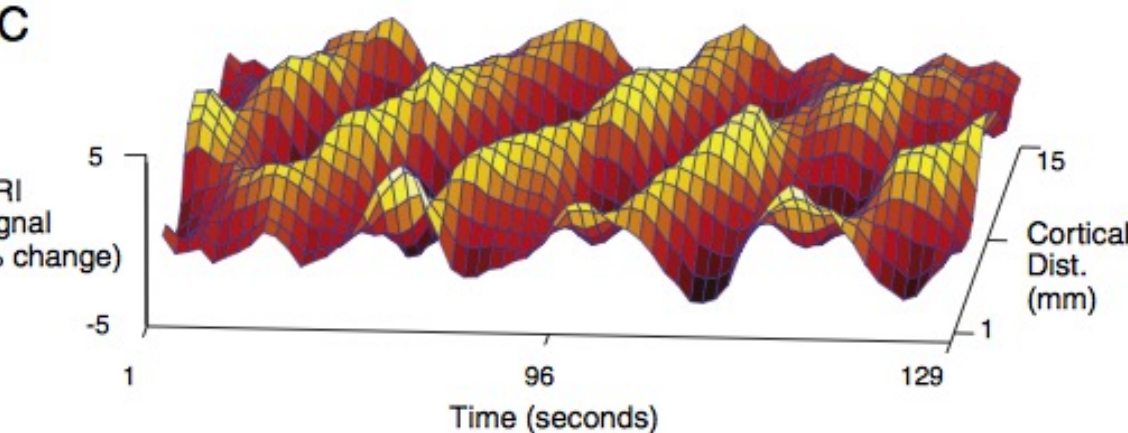
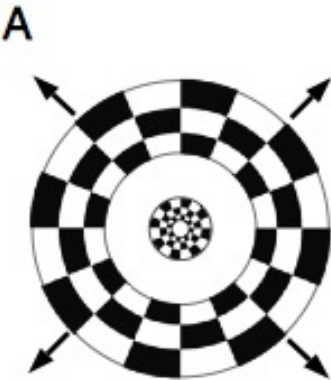


**7. Free Behavior Design.**

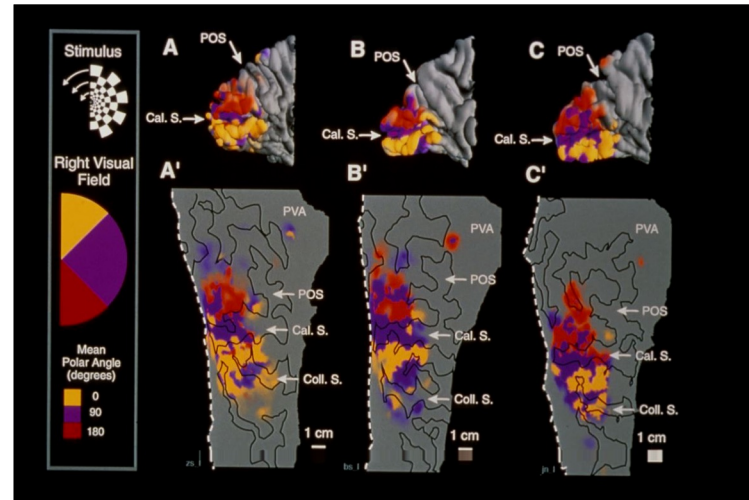
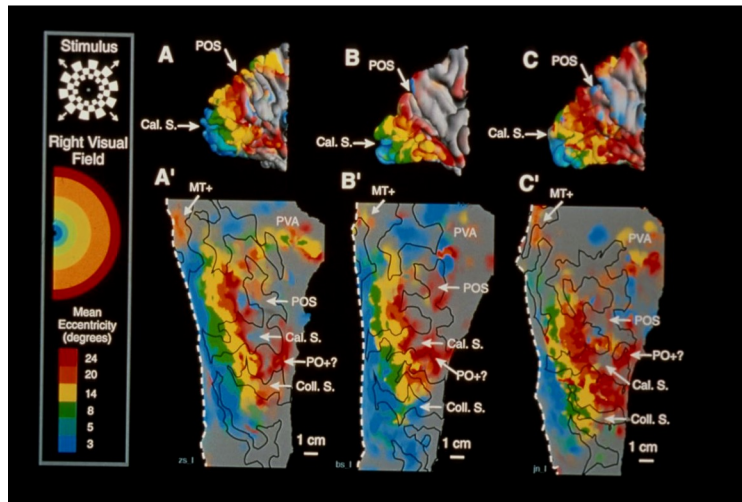
## Phase encoding: Retinotopy

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## Phase encoding: Retinotopy



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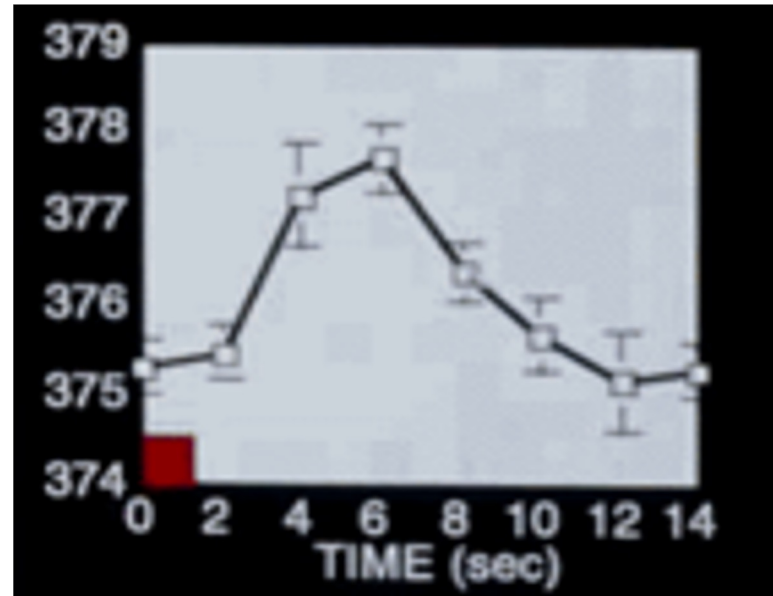
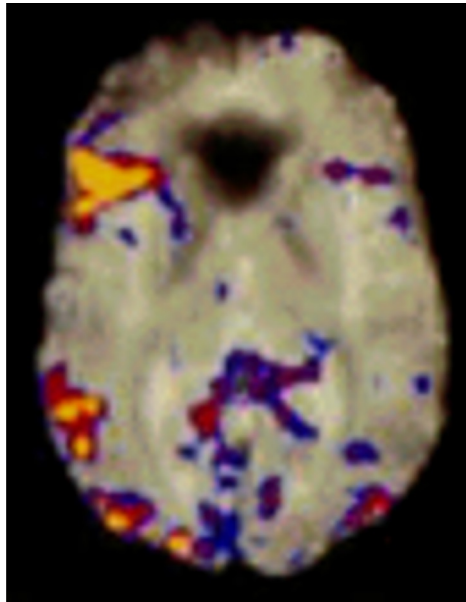
## Mapping striate and extrastriate visual areas in human cerebral cortex

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*Communicated by Francis Crick, The Salk Institute for Biological Sciences, San Diego, CA, November 14, 1995 (received for review August 2, 1995)*

## First Event-Related Study of Cognition



*Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*  
Vol. 93, pp. 14878–14883, December 1996  
Neurobiology

## Detection of cortical activation during averaged single trials of a cognitive task using functional magnetic resonance imaging

(neuroimaging/single trial/language/prefrontal)

RANDY L. BUCKNER<sup>†‡§¶</sup>, PETER A. BANDETTINI<sup>†‡</sup>, KATHLEEN M. O' CRAVEN<sup>†||</sup>, ROBERT L. SAVOY<sup>†||</sup>,  
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*Contributed by Marcus E. Raichle, September 4, 1996*

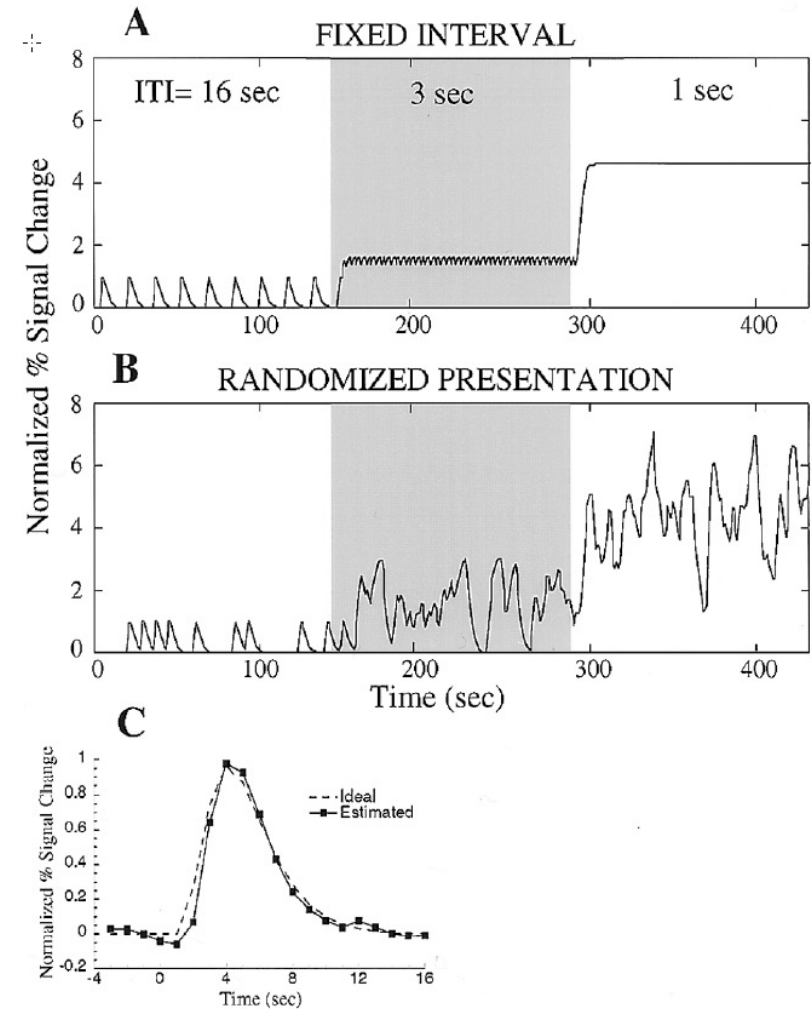


NeuroReport 9, 3735–3739 (1998)

# Randomized event-related experimental designs allow for extremely rapid presentation rates using functional MRI

Marc A. Burock,<sup>1,2</sup> Randy L. Buckner,<sup>3</sup>  
Marty G. Woldorff,<sup>4</sup> Bruce R. Rosen<sup>1</sup>  
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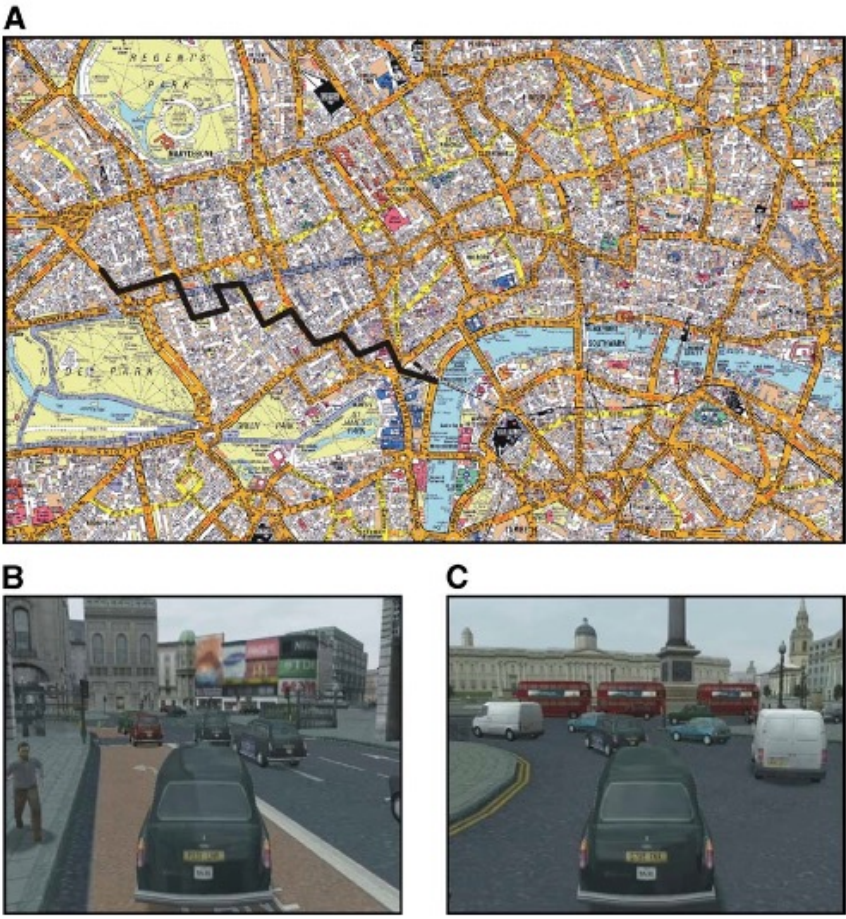
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# New Paradigms

Category	Definition	Mean number of occurrences (SD)
Customer-driven Route Planning	Planning a route to a given destination	16.6 (1.8)
Subtypes: Initial plan	Planning from the initial request	6.8 (0.8)
Change in plan	Planning after an en route request from a customer to alter the destination	9.8 (1.0)
Spontaneous Route Planning	Further planning en route, independent of customers	34.3 (10.9)
Subtypes: Filling in	Planning the next stage of the journey	17.7 (6.6)
Re-planning	Altering the current plan to adapt to the environment	16.7 (5.7)
Action Planning	Planning future movements with the vehicle	45.8 (15.1)
Expectation Confirmation	Detecting the presence of an expected environmental feature	28.6 (9.9)
Expectation Violation	Detecting the absence of an expected environmental feature	31.6 (10.5)
Expectation	Looking out for the next expected environmental feature	24.5 (8.5)
Visual Inspection	Visual inspection of an environmental feature	36.0 (11.8)
Monitoring Traffic	Watching moving traffic in the environment	11.4 (5.9)
Coasting	Navigating automatically without any directed thoughts	25.8 (7.5)
Customers' Navigationally-Irrelevant Statements	Navigationally-irrelevant statements by customers, (a control for Customer-driven Route Planning)	6.6 (0.9)

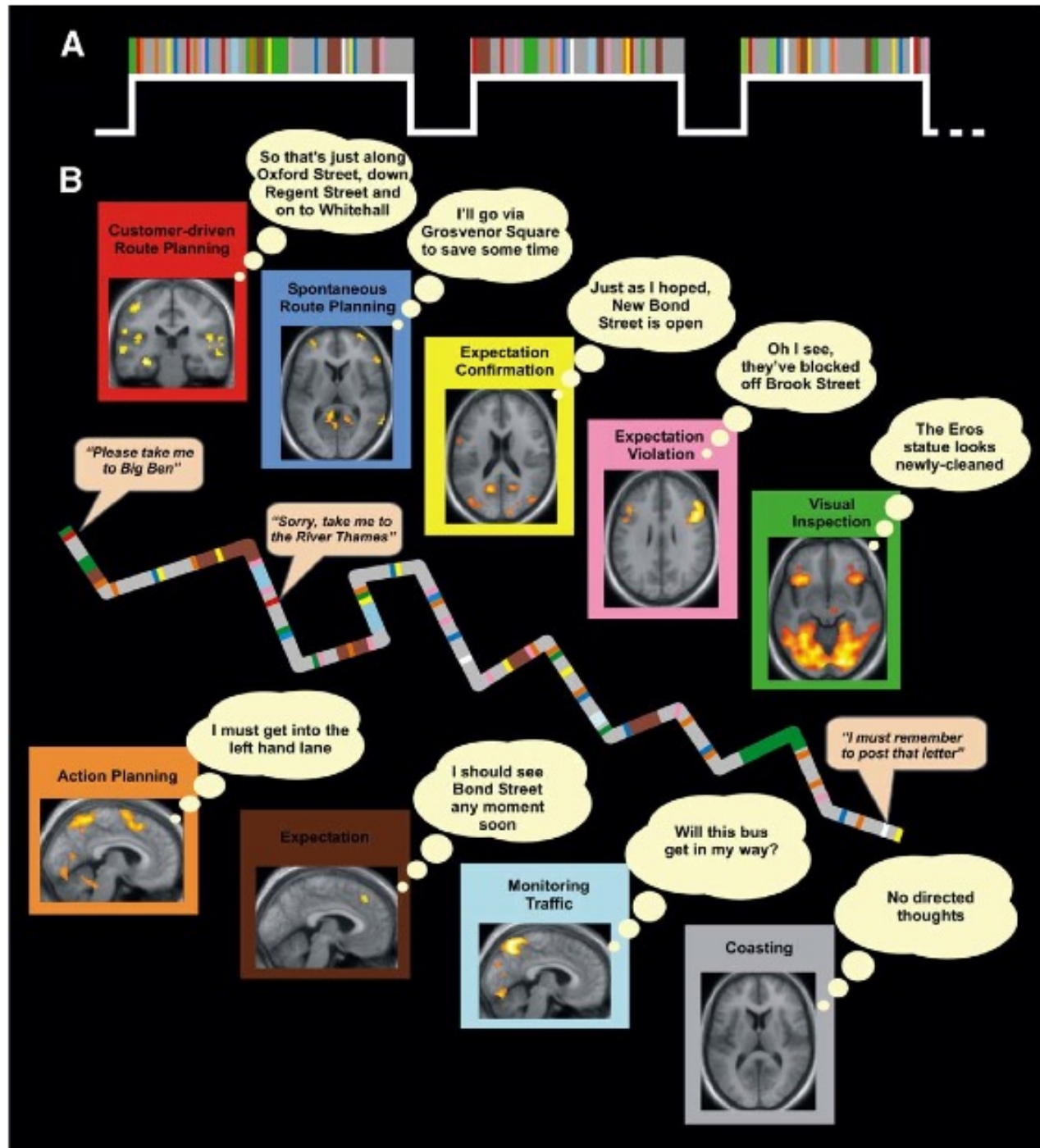
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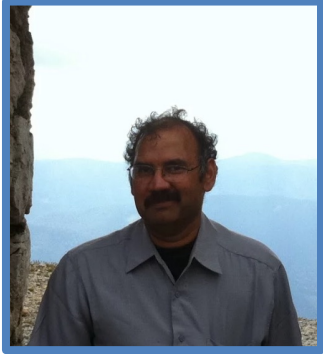
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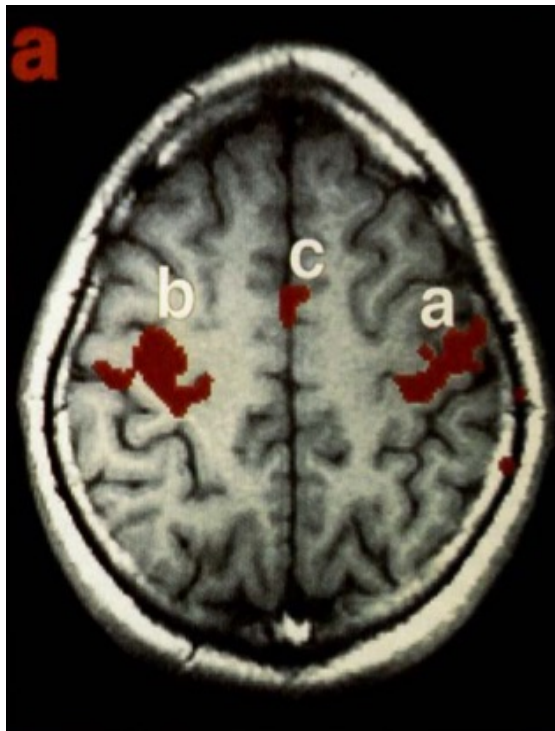


## Functional Connectivity in the Motor Cortex of Resting Human Brain Using Echo-Planar MRI

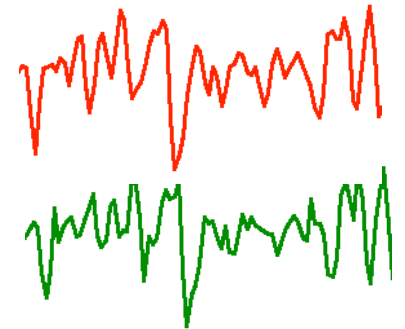
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Mag. Res. Med. 1995, ~5300 citations

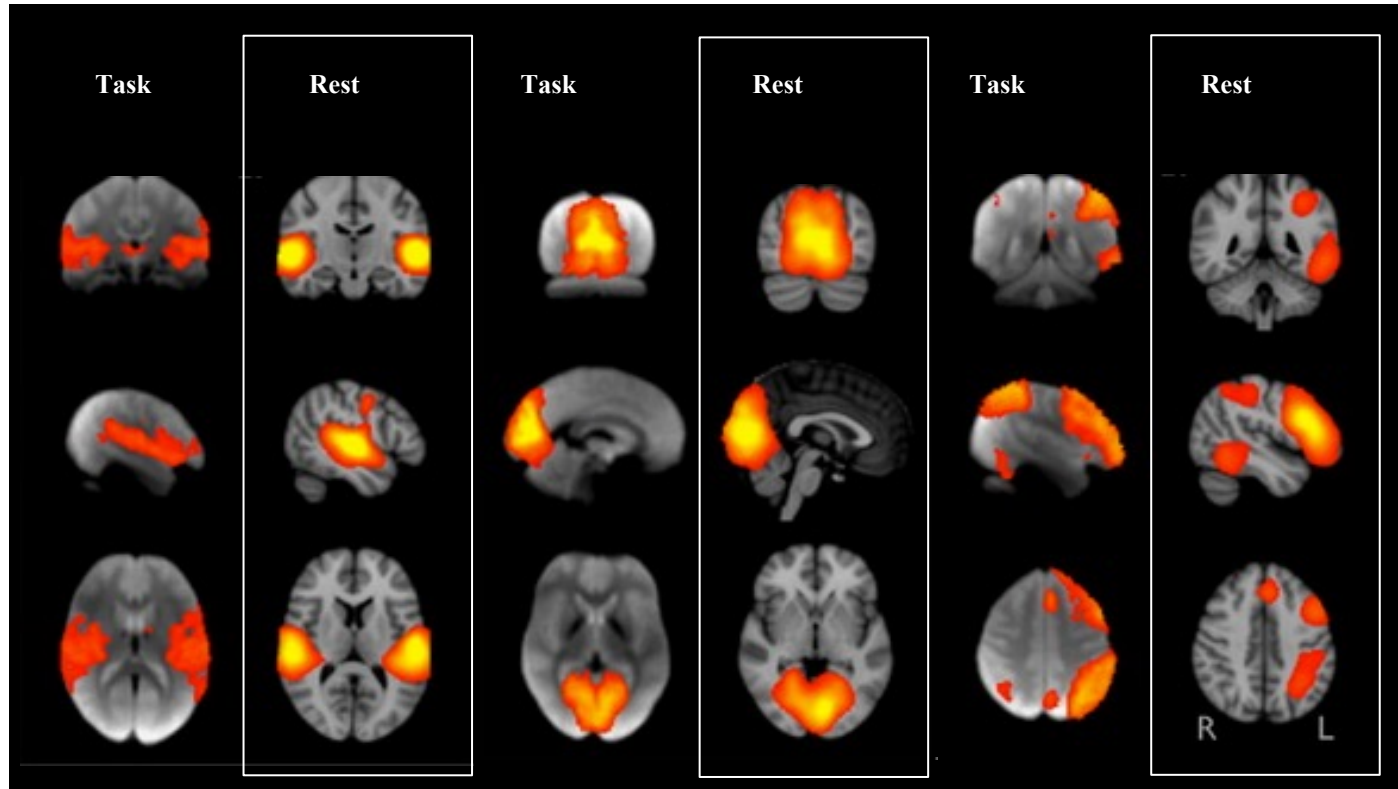
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resting state \*correlation\*



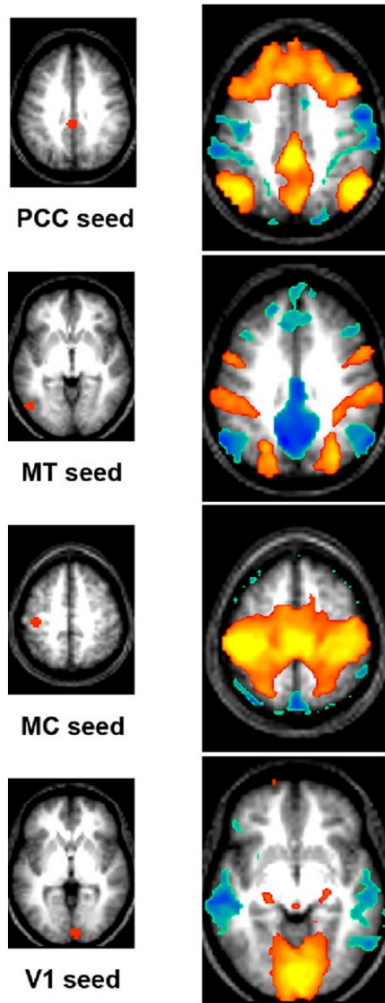
# Resting-state “networks” closely resemble task-activated networks



*Smith et al, 2009*

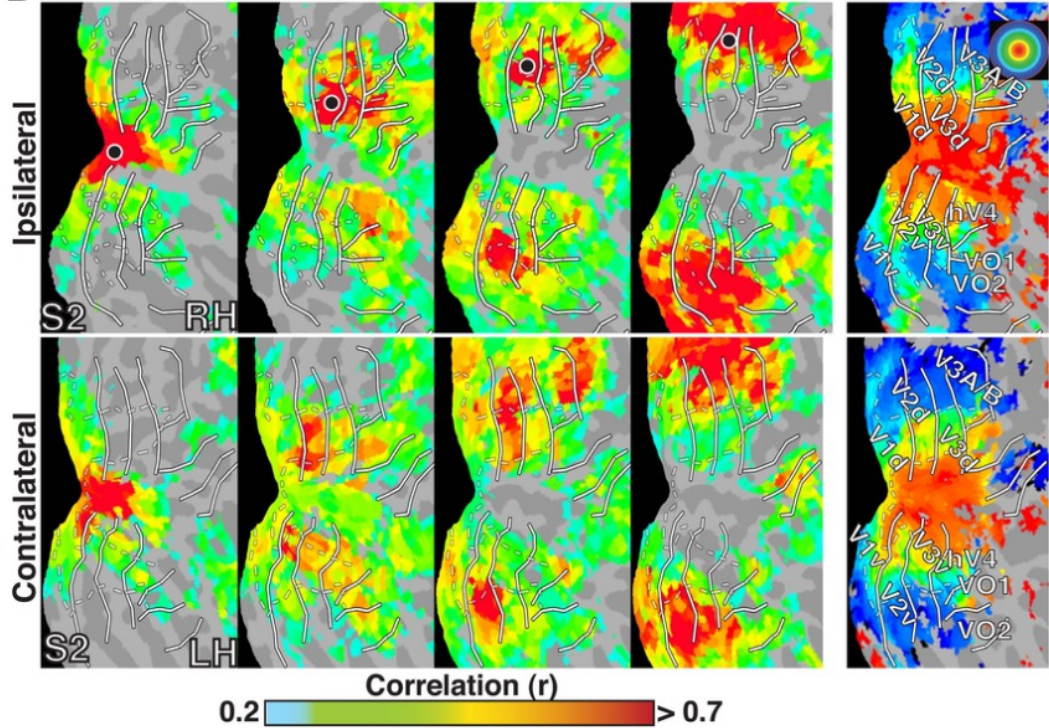
-> Suggests we may be able to map multiple functional networks without needing tasks

# Seed-based resting state correlation reveals retinotopy



*Fox et al. 2009*

**B** Correlation patterns for dorsal V2 seeds in resting eyes shut data

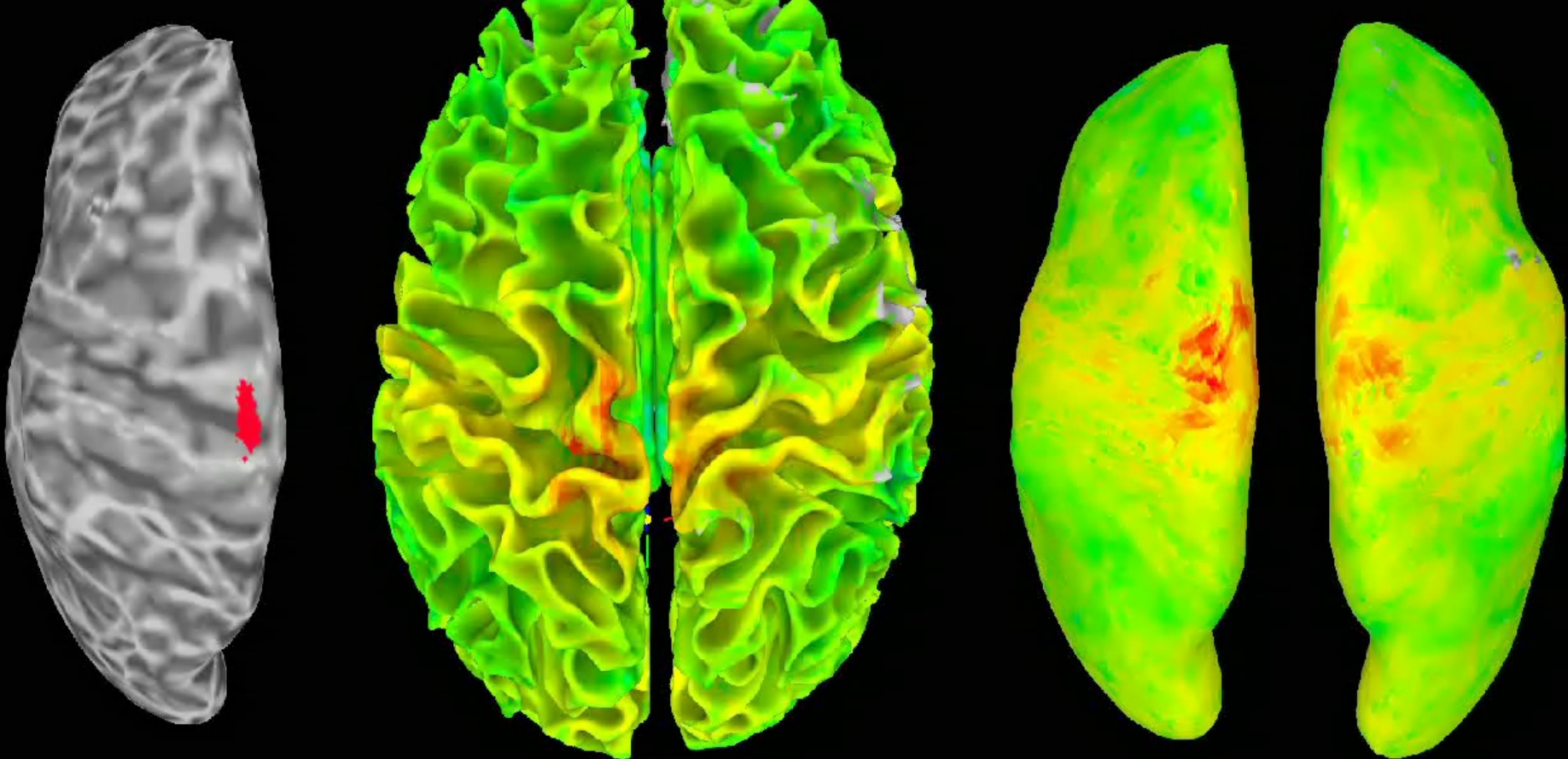


*Arcaro et al., 2015*



# Sliding Seed-based Correlation Movies

Relative correlation strength pattern obtained with a systematically shifted seed region



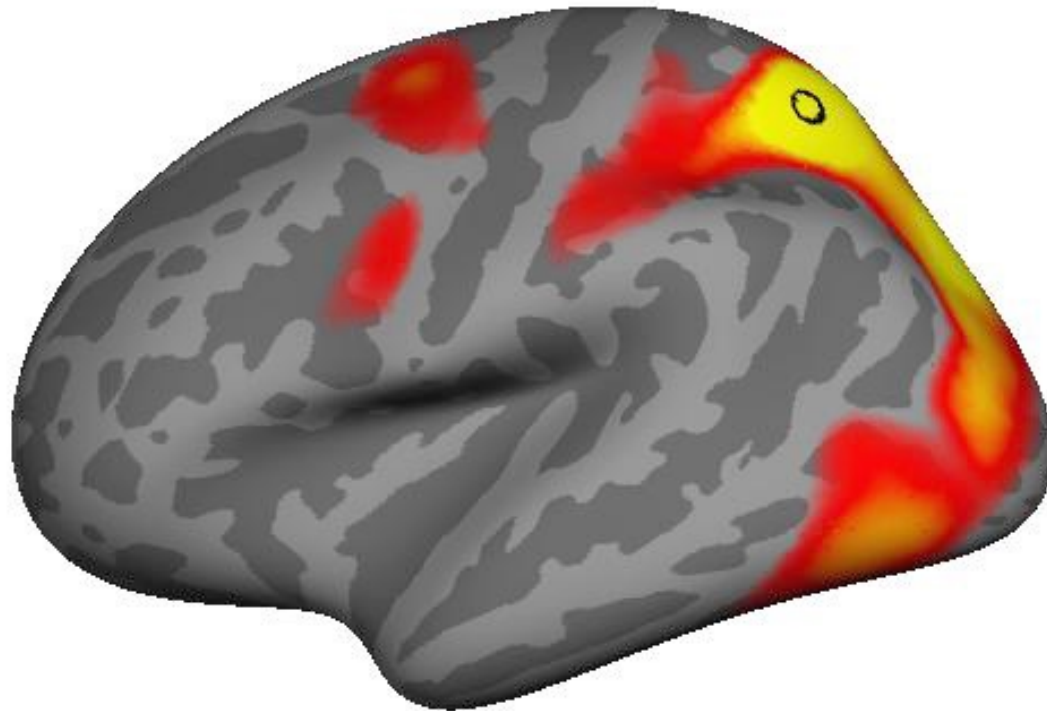
Seed 1

GM/WM Boundary

LH (seed hemi)

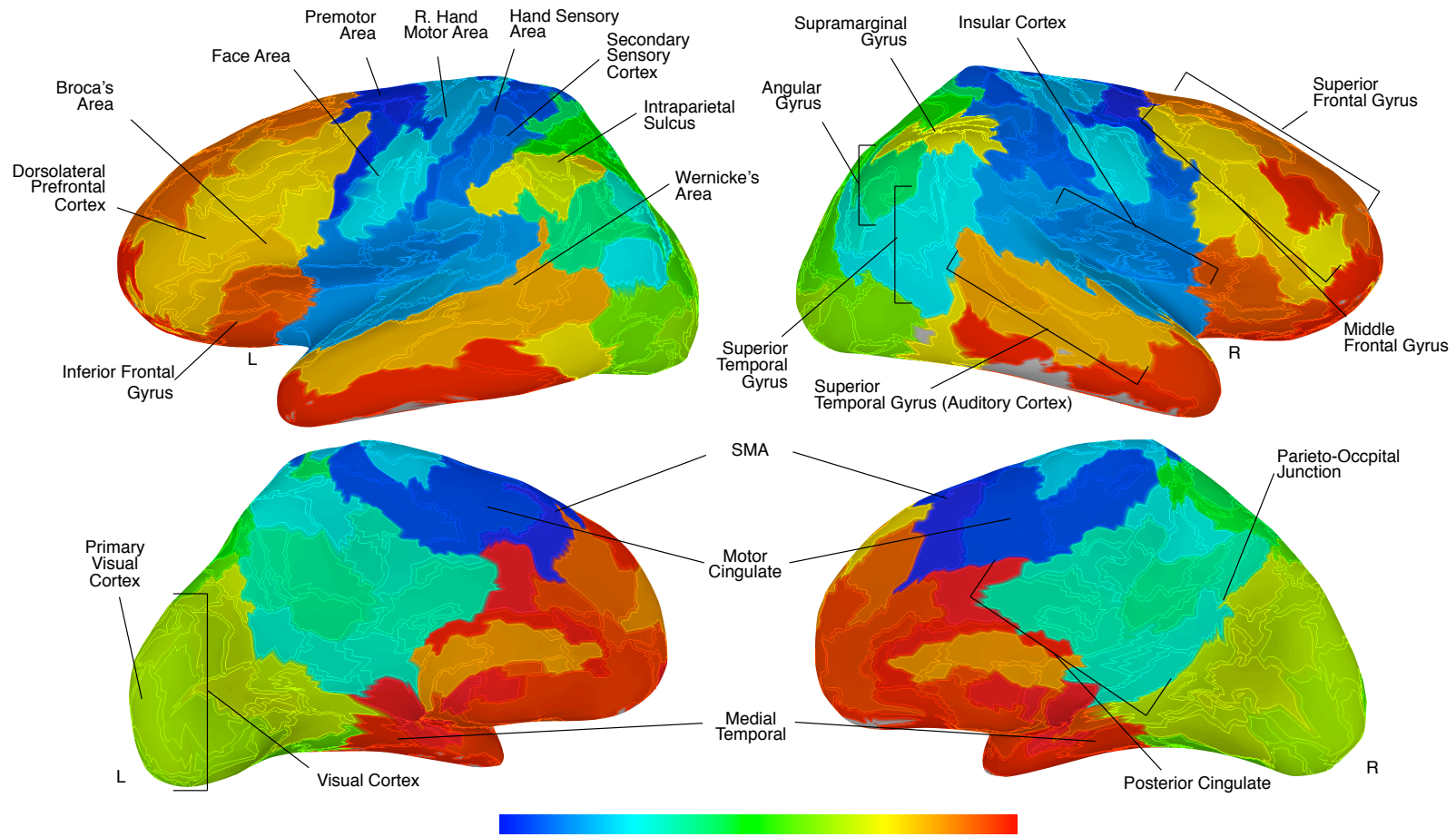
RH (contra hemi)

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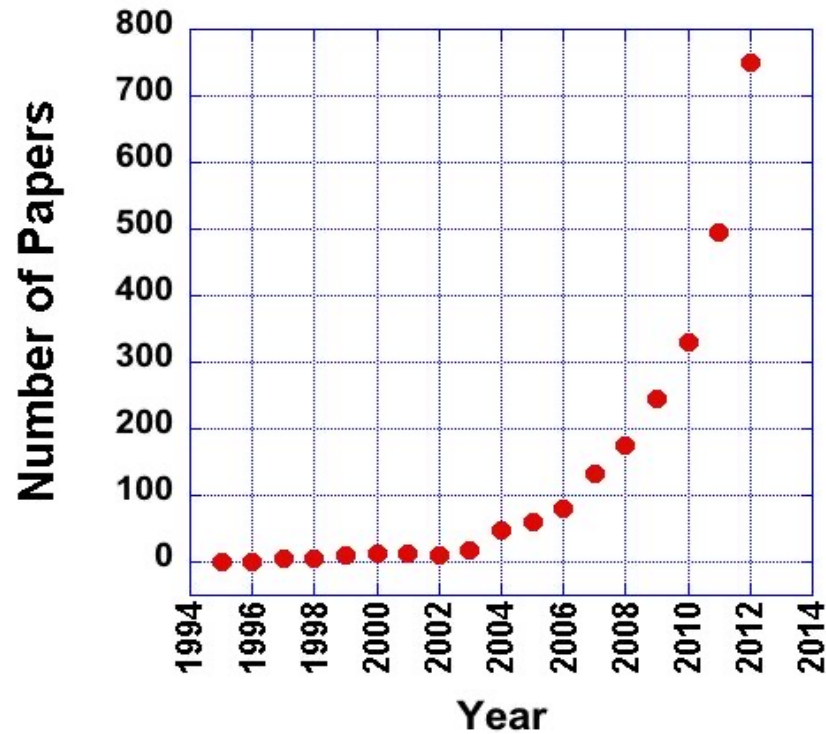
*Buckner et al. 2013*

# Whole brain connectivity patterns from resting state signal



# Resting State Fluctuations and Connectivity Assessment

## Resting state fMRI



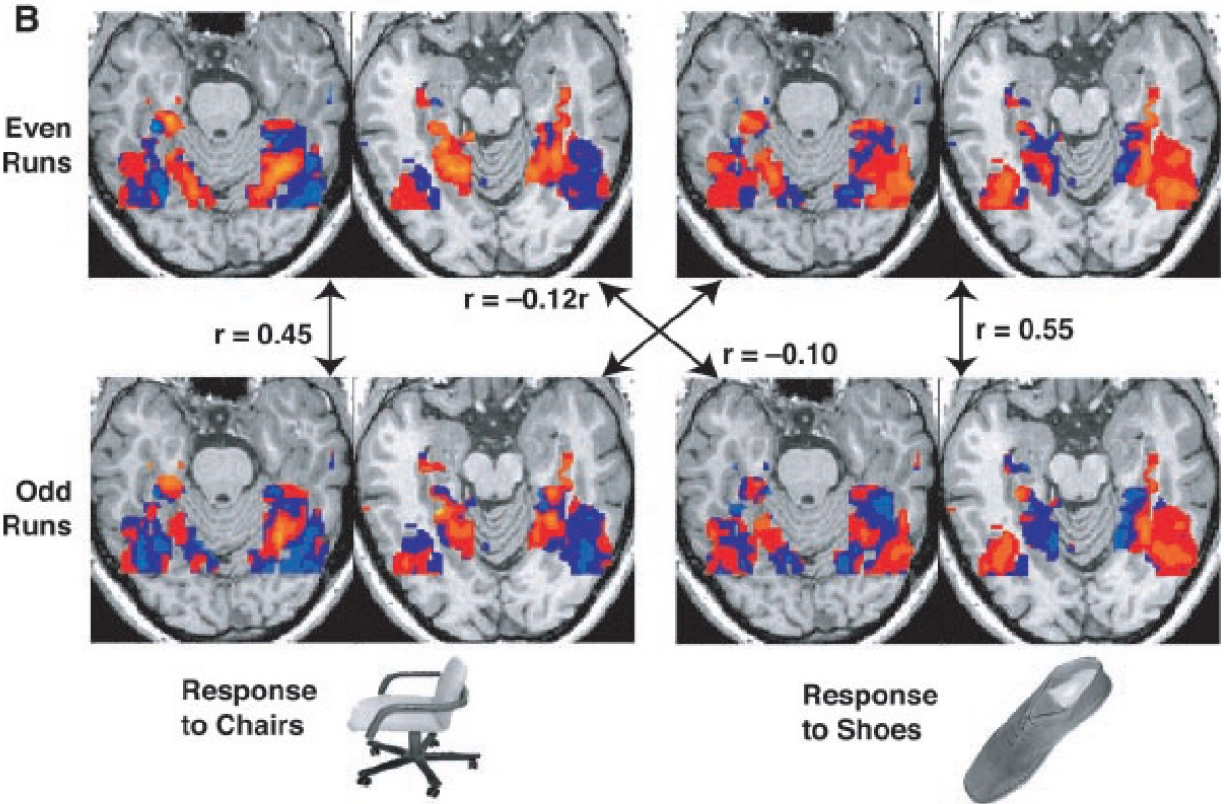


# **From Blobs to Information-rich Patterns**

# Distributed and Overlapping Representations of Faces and Objects in Ventral Temporal Cortex

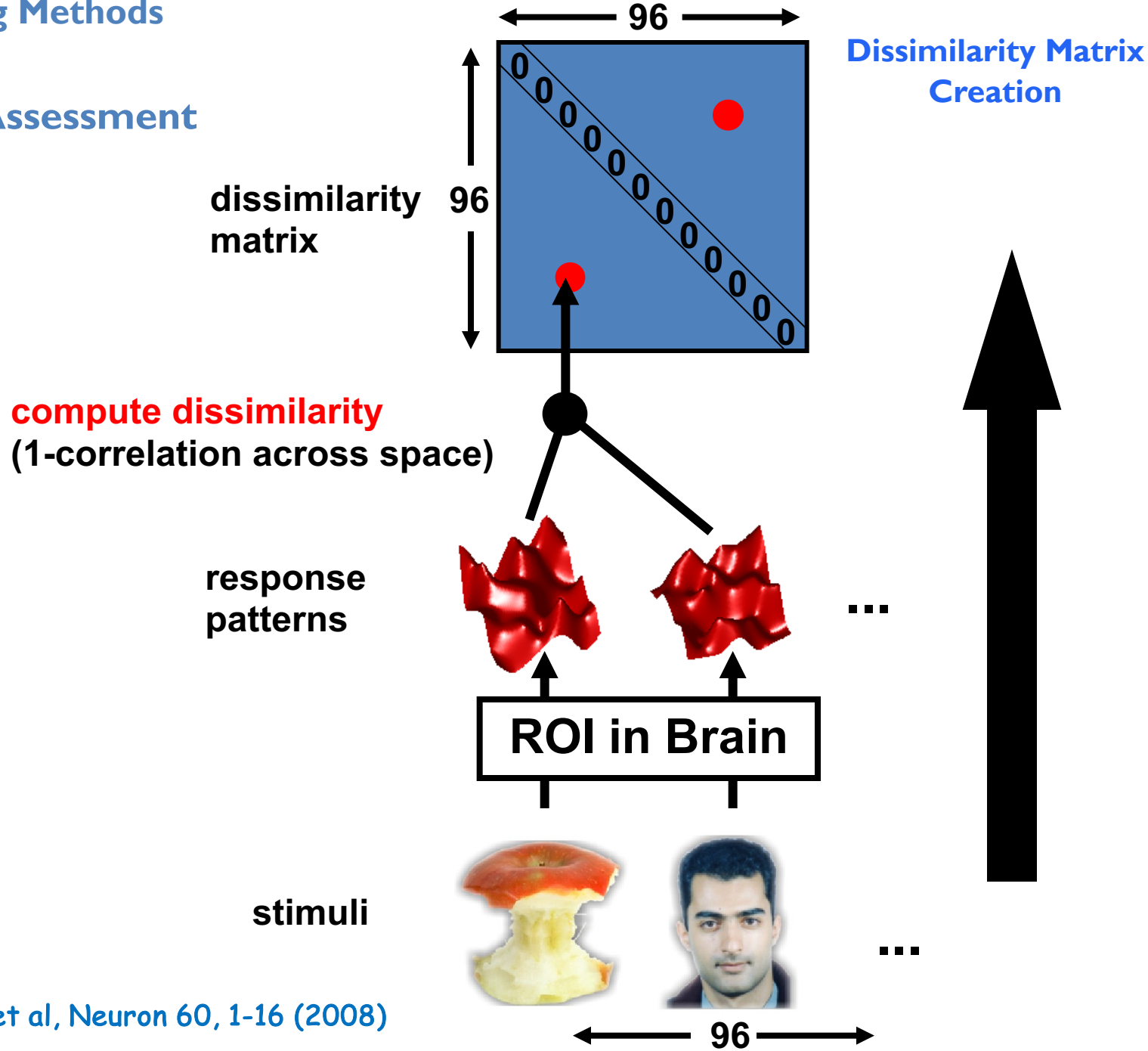
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New Processing Methods

Multivariate Assessment



Multivariate Assessment

# Visual Stimuli





# New Processing Methods

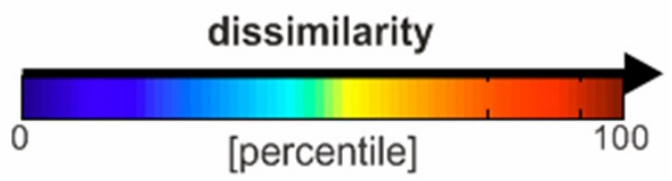
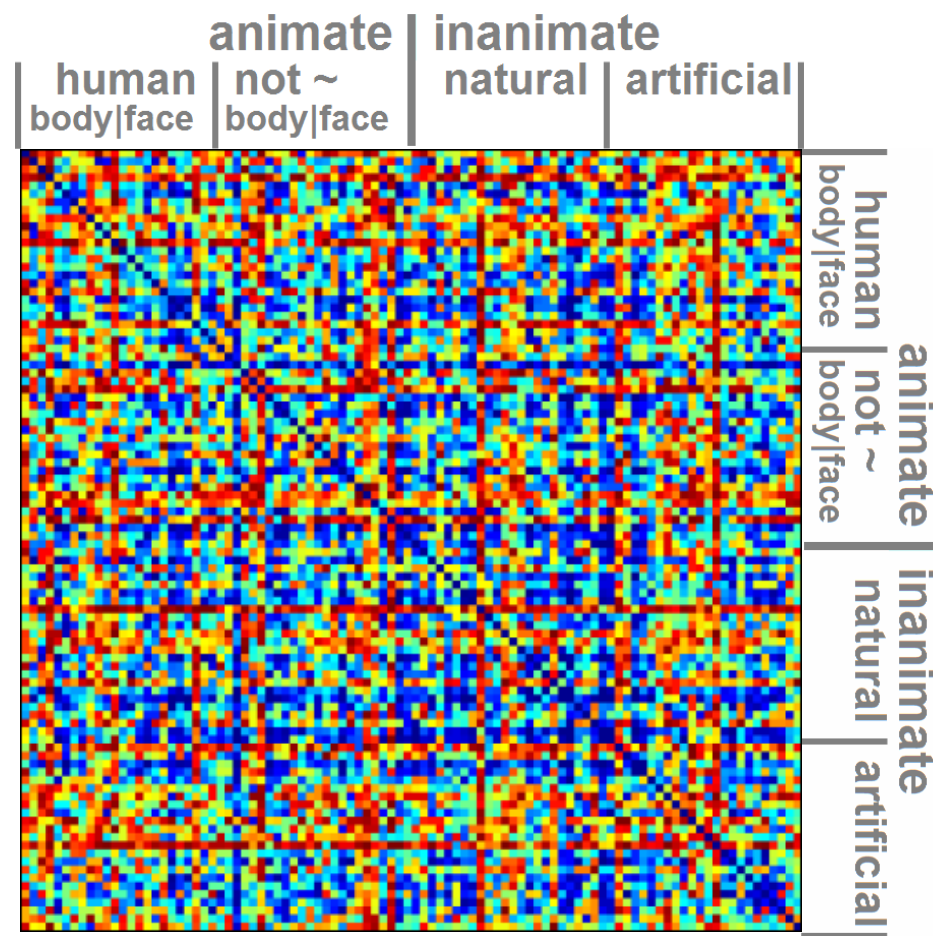
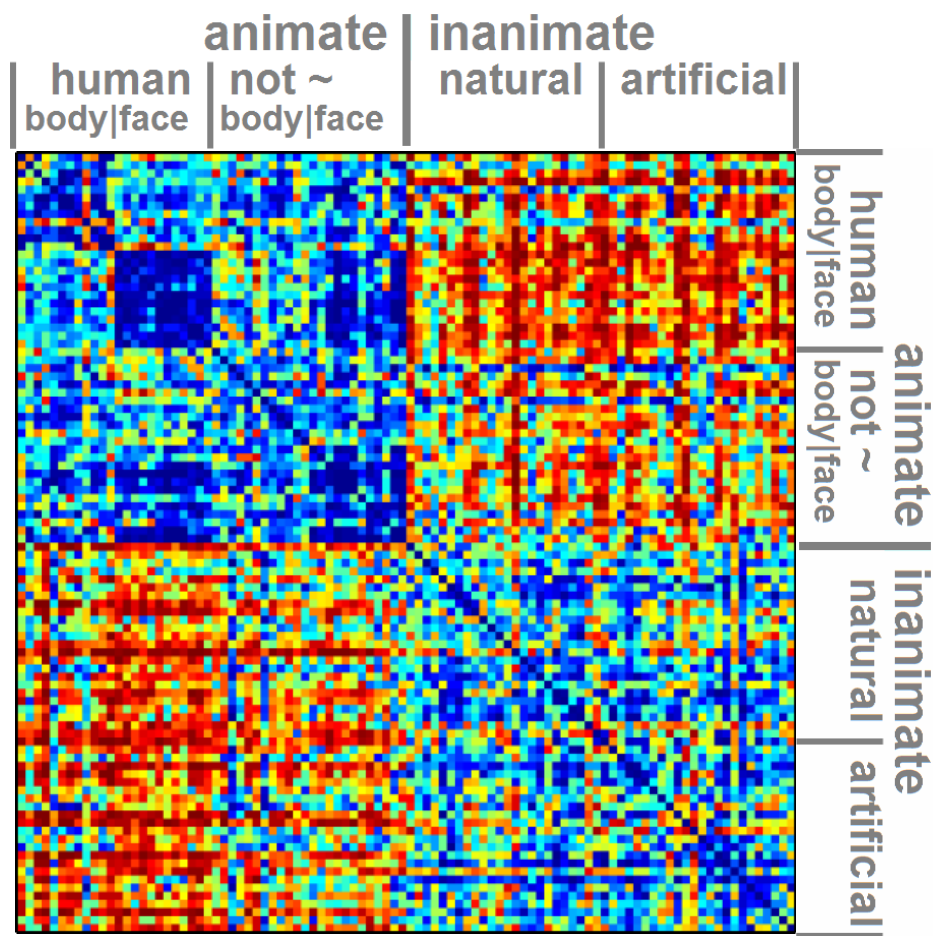
# Multivariate Assessment

## Human IT

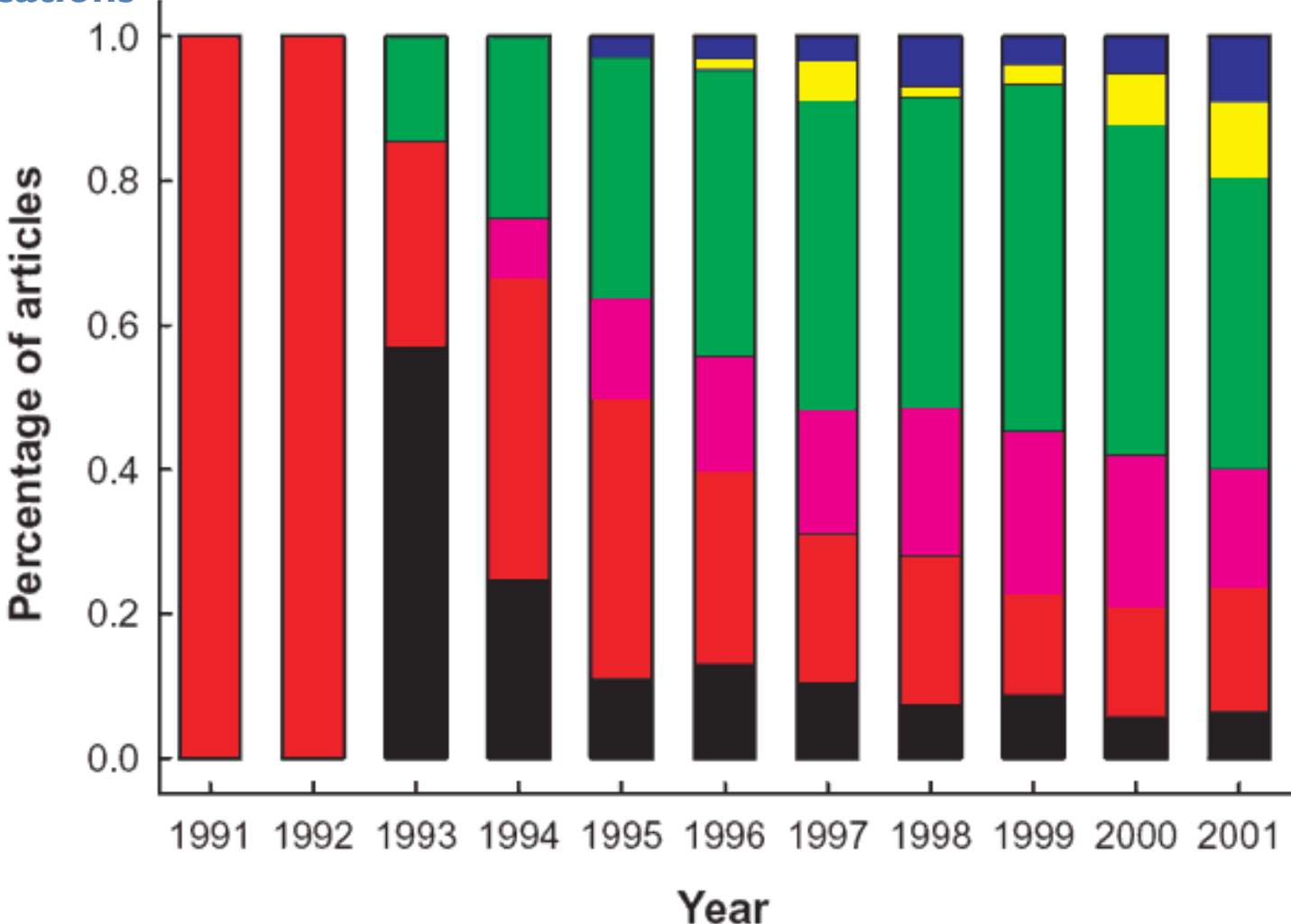
(1000 visually most responsive voxels)

## Human Early Visual Cortex

(1057 visually most responsive voxels)



# New Applications



Motor (black)  
Primary Sensory (red)  
Integrative Sensory (violet)  
Basic Cognition (green)  
High-Order Cognition (yellow)  
Emotion (blue)

J. Illes, M. P. Kirschen, J. D. E. Gabrieli,  
Nature Neuroscience, 6 (3)m p.205

## Technology

MRI

EPI

I.5T,3T, 4T

Local Human Head Gradient Coils

BOLD

ASL

Spiral EPI

Multi-shot fMRI

EPI on Clin. Syst.

Nav. pulses

Diff. tensor

Real time fMRI

Quant. ASL

Dynamic IV volume

Simultaneous ASL and BOLD

Mg<sup>+</sup>

Venography

Z-shim

Baseline Susceptibility

7T

>8 channels

SENSE

“vaso”

Current Imaging?

## Methodology

Baseline Volume

IVIM

Correlation Analysis

Parametric Design

Surface Mapping

Phase Mapping

Linear Regression

Event-related

Motion Correction

Multi-Modal Mapping

ICA

Free-behavior Designs

Mental Chronometry

Deconvolution

Fuzzy Clustering

CO<sub>2</sub> Calibration

Latency and Width Mod

Multi-variate Mapping

## Interpretation

Blood T2

Hemoglobin

BOLD models

B<sub>0</sub> dep.

TE dep

SE vs. GE

NIRS Correlation

Veins

IV vs EV

Pre-undershoot

Resolution Dep.

Post-undershoot

CO<sub>2</sub> effect

NIRS Correlation

Inflow

PET correlation

ASL vs. BOLD

PSF of BOLD

Extended Stim.

Linearity

Fluctuations

Balloon Model

Layer spec. latency

Excite and Inhibit

Metab. Correlation

Optical Im. Correlation

Electrophys. correlation

## Applications

Volume - Stroke

ΔVolume-VI

BOLD -VI, M1, A1

VI, V2..mapping

Complex motor Language

Presurgical

Plasticity

Imagery

Motor learning

Attention

Priming/Learning

Face recognition

Memory

Children

Ocular Dominance

Clinical Populations

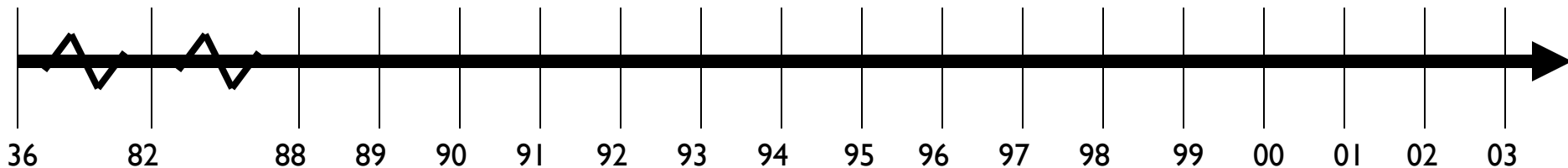
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Tumor vasc.

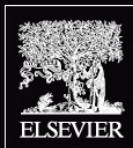
Emotion

Drug effects

Mirror neurons







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# NeuroImage

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*Special Issue*  
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**How did this all begin?**

**First challenges and opportunities.**

**What has improved?**

**What has not improved?**

**Current challenges and opportunities.**

**Where are we going?**

**Ultimate limits and applications?**

# ...after 26 years, what has improved?

- **Image quality, temporal stability, sensitivity, resolution and speed.**
- **Implementation, standardization in acquisition, processing, and display**
- **Many different processing methods available: *Multivariate decoding, encoding, pattern effect mapping, machine learning, cross subject correlation, and dynamic resting state connectivity analyses* have opened up new insights and directions.**
- **Artifacts are better understood, and more fully removed**
- **Underlying neuronal correlates of fMRI are better established**
- **Resting state fMRI has exploded**
- **Large pooled datasets have catalyzed meta-analysis, transparency, new methods, reproducibility, and biomarker discovery**
- **Individual assessment in fMRI is growing**
- **Standard resolution used has increased**
- **Multimodal integration**
- **More groups, better questions.**
- **More high field scanners (>60 7 T's)**

# 7T+ human scanners worldwide

Open Google map (edits and corrections are welcome) <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1dXG84OZIAOxjsqh3x2tGzWL1bNU>

**65 UHF scanners**  
**59 locations**



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# What has NOT improved...

- **Still struggling with subject motion and breathing**
- **Temporal SNR still limited by physiologic fluctuations**
- **Still struggling with HRF characterization and normalization**
  - spatially variable BOLD latency & magnitude*
  - spatially variable HRF*
- **Spatial resolution of fMRI has reached a theoretical limit due to hemodynamics.**
- **fMRI is still not used clinically** (*effect size/noise  $\ll 10$* )
- **Vendors still have not focused fMRI** (*no clear clinical applications yet*)
- **Scanners are still loud and confining**
- **MRI is still extremely expensive**
- **Still using 2.5 mm<sup>3</sup> voxels for most studies**
- **We don't understand "connectivity" as inferred by correlation**
- **We don't understand source of resting state fluctuations or biologic purpose that resting state serves**
- **Shimming (reducing B<sub>0</sub> inhomogeneities) is still an issue** (*especially for high field fMRI using echo planar imaging*)
- **Db/dt limit (gradient switching) is still an issue**
- **Large databases are not curated well enough ...or methods are not sophisticated enough to deal with variability of large databases.**

**How did this all begin?**

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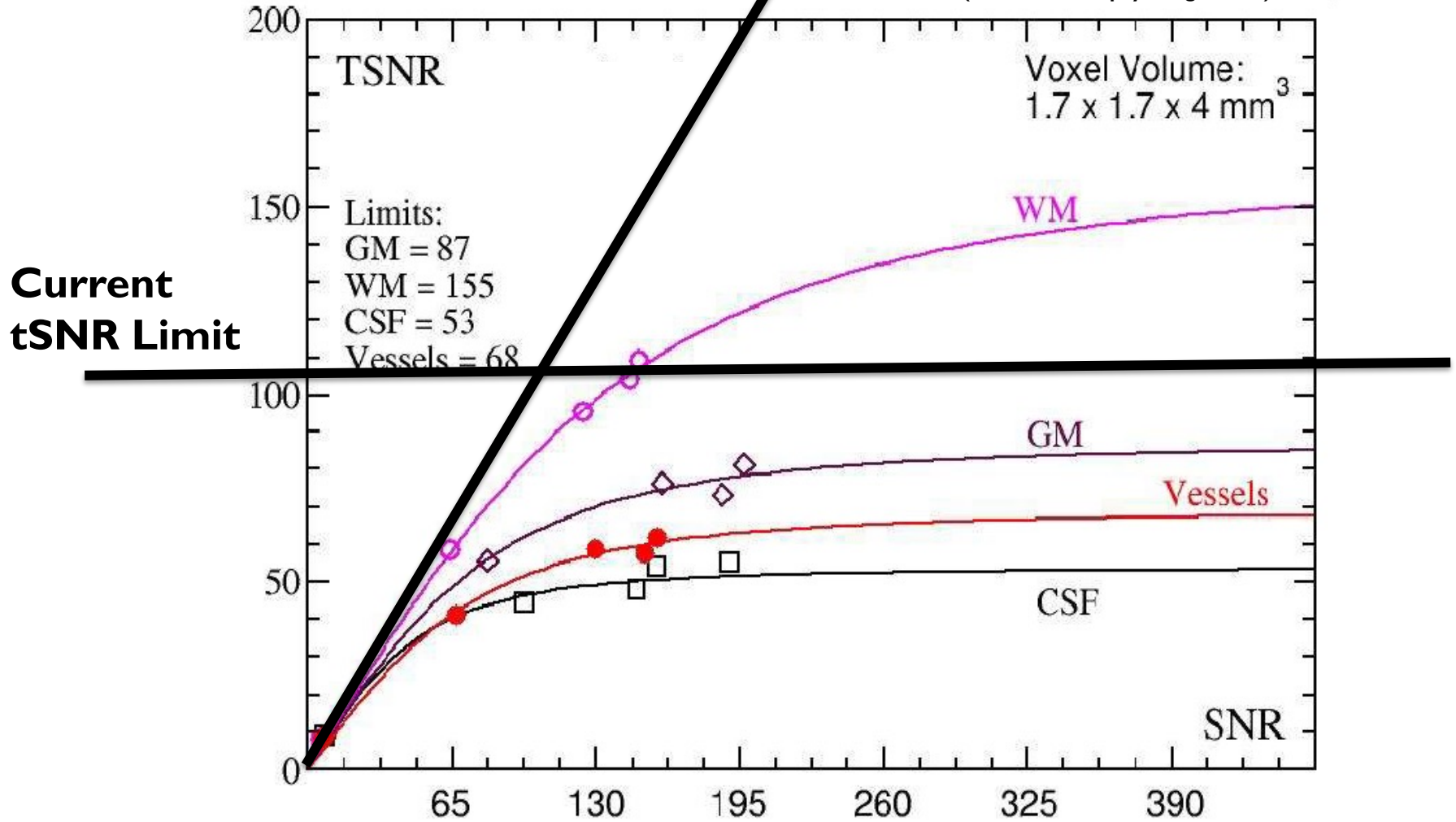
# A few Current Challenges...

*Generally to maximize the interpretability and utility of the fMRI signal*

- **Completely remove fluctuations and variability.**
- **Create a pipeline for robust individual assessment.**
- **High resolution mapping impervious to vascular variations.**

## Understand and Remove Physiologic Fluctuations

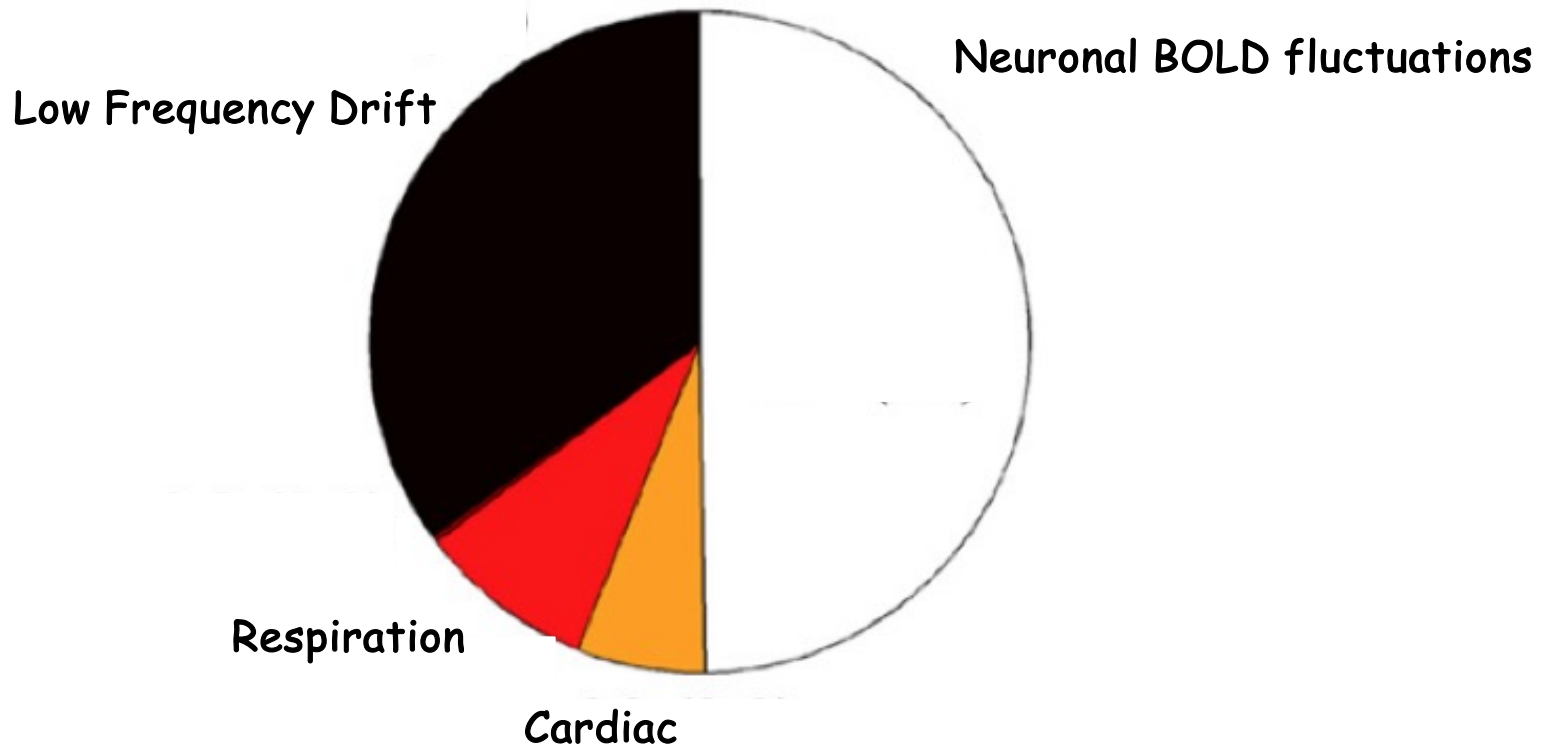
**Theoretical tSNR Limit**  
(if we eliminate physiologic noise)



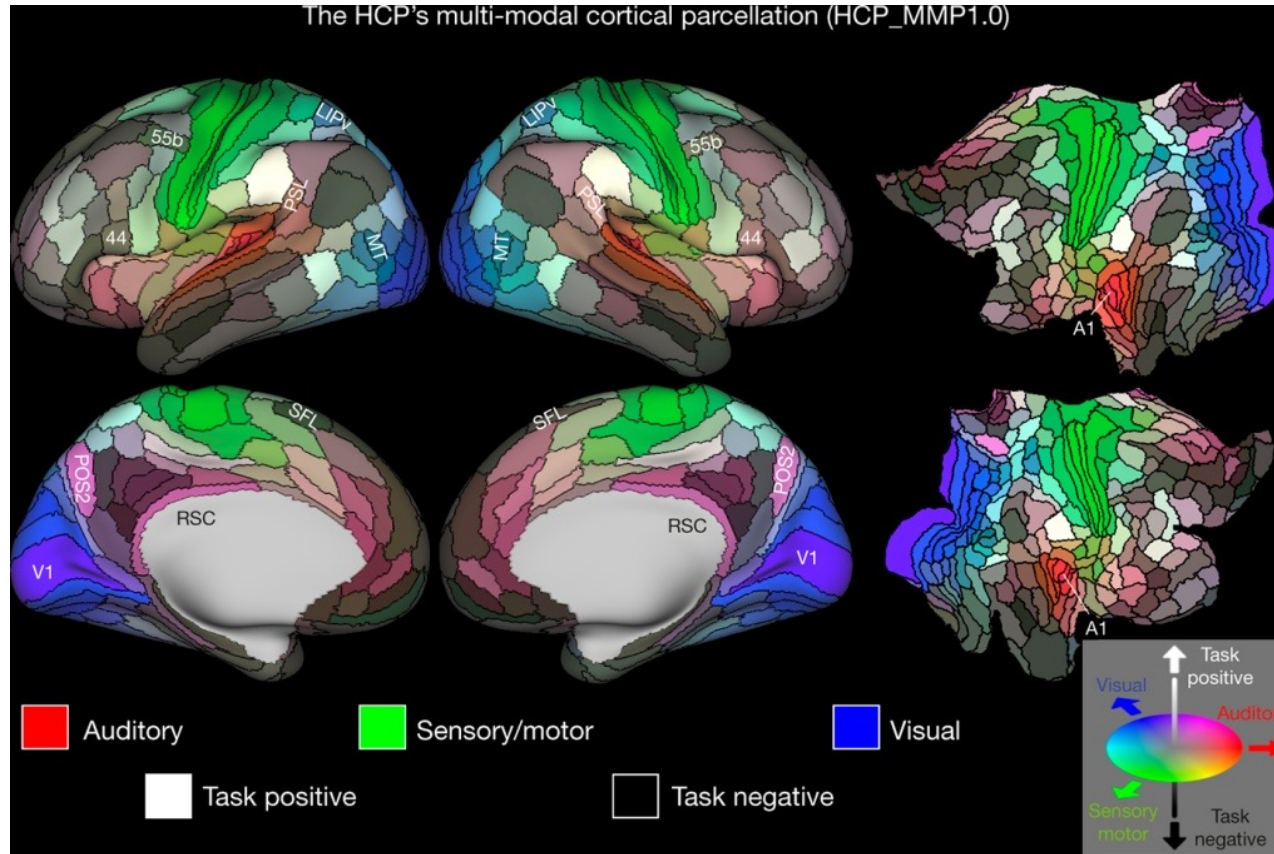
J. Bodurka, F. Ye, N Petridou, K. Murphy, P. A. Bandettini, Mapping the MRI voxel volume in which thermal noise matches physiological noise – implications for fMRI. *NeuroImage*, 34, 542-549 (2007)

# Components of fMRI Fluctuations

*From an ROI*



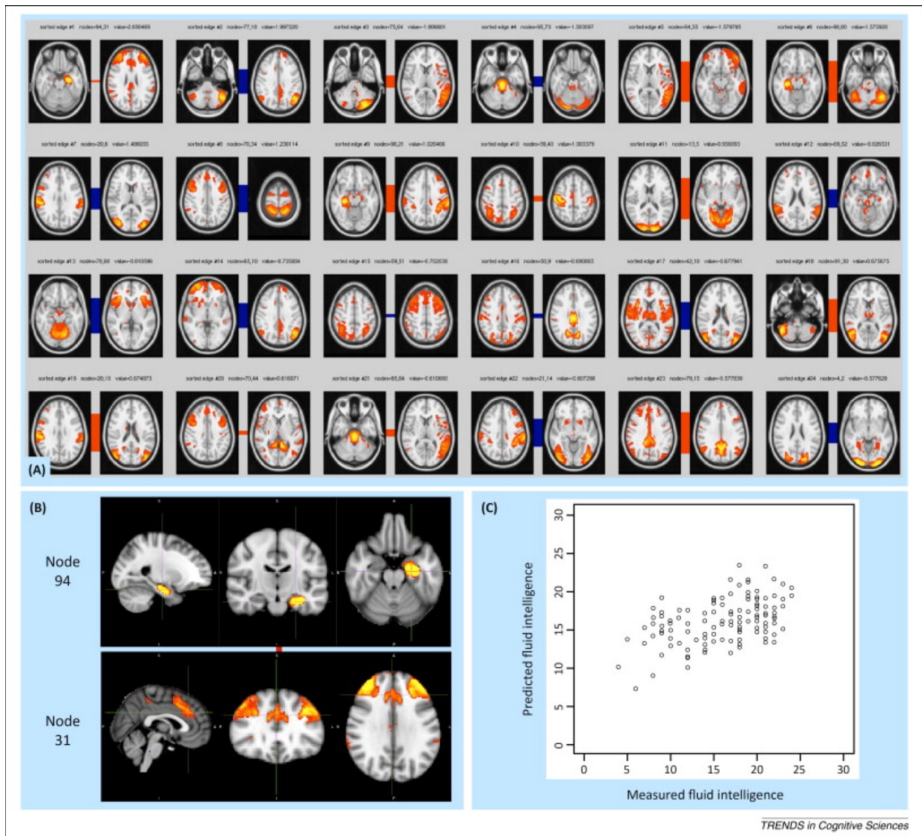
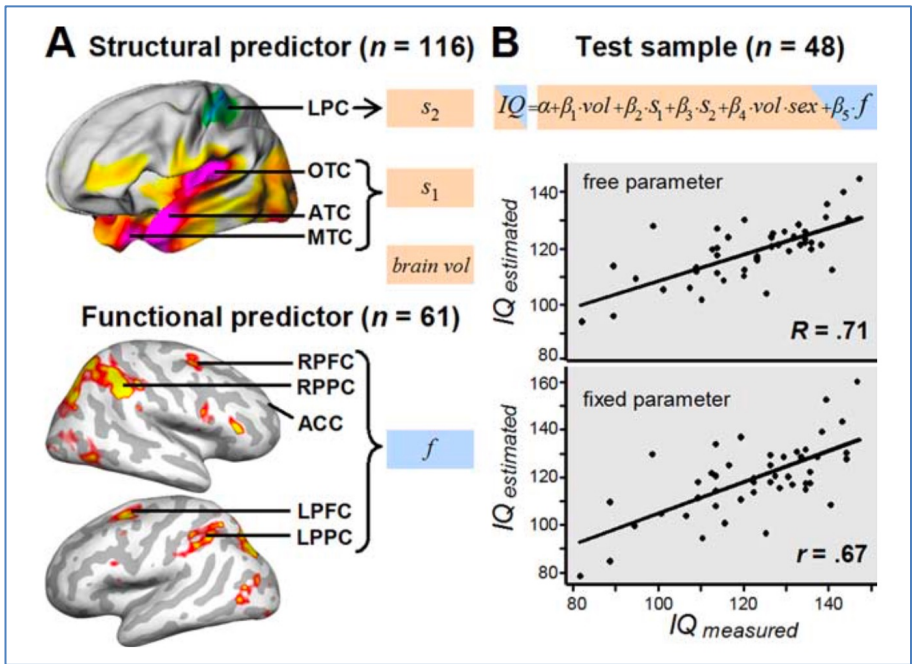
# The HCP's multi-modal parcellation, version 1.0 (HCP\_MMP1.0)



M F Glasser *et al.* *Nature* 1–8 (2016) doi:10.1038/nature18933

# Structural, Functional, and Connectivity for Individual Assessment

## Fluid Intelligence..

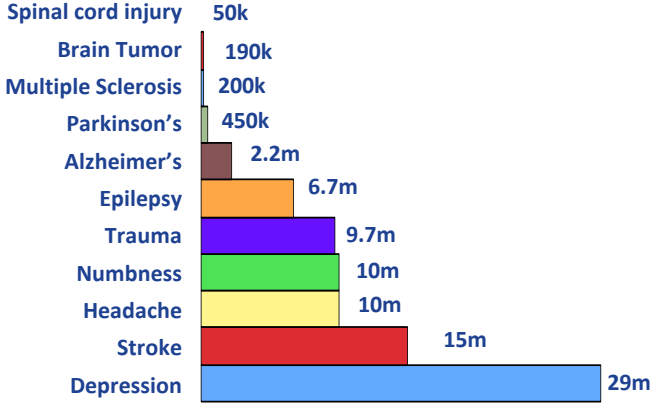


Multiple Bases of Human Intelligence Revealed by Cortical Thickness and Neural Activation, Choi et al, The Journal of Neuroscience, October 8, 2008 • 28(41):10323–10329

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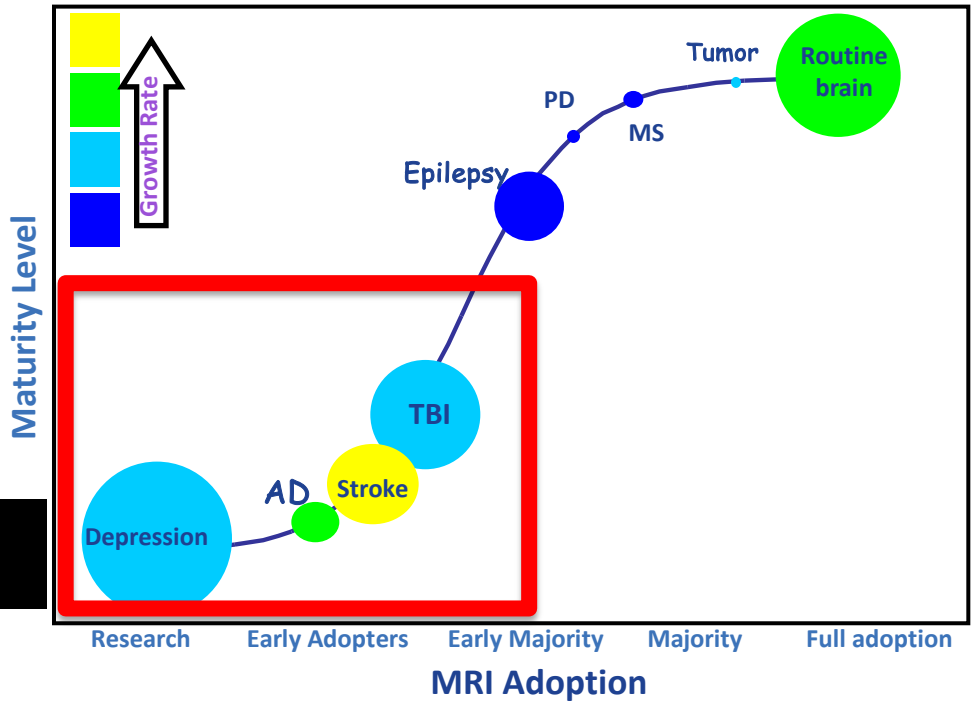
# Neuro-MRI Potential Clinical Impact

## Incidence



Number of newly-diagnosed people per year. Corresponds to bubble sizes in growth chart.

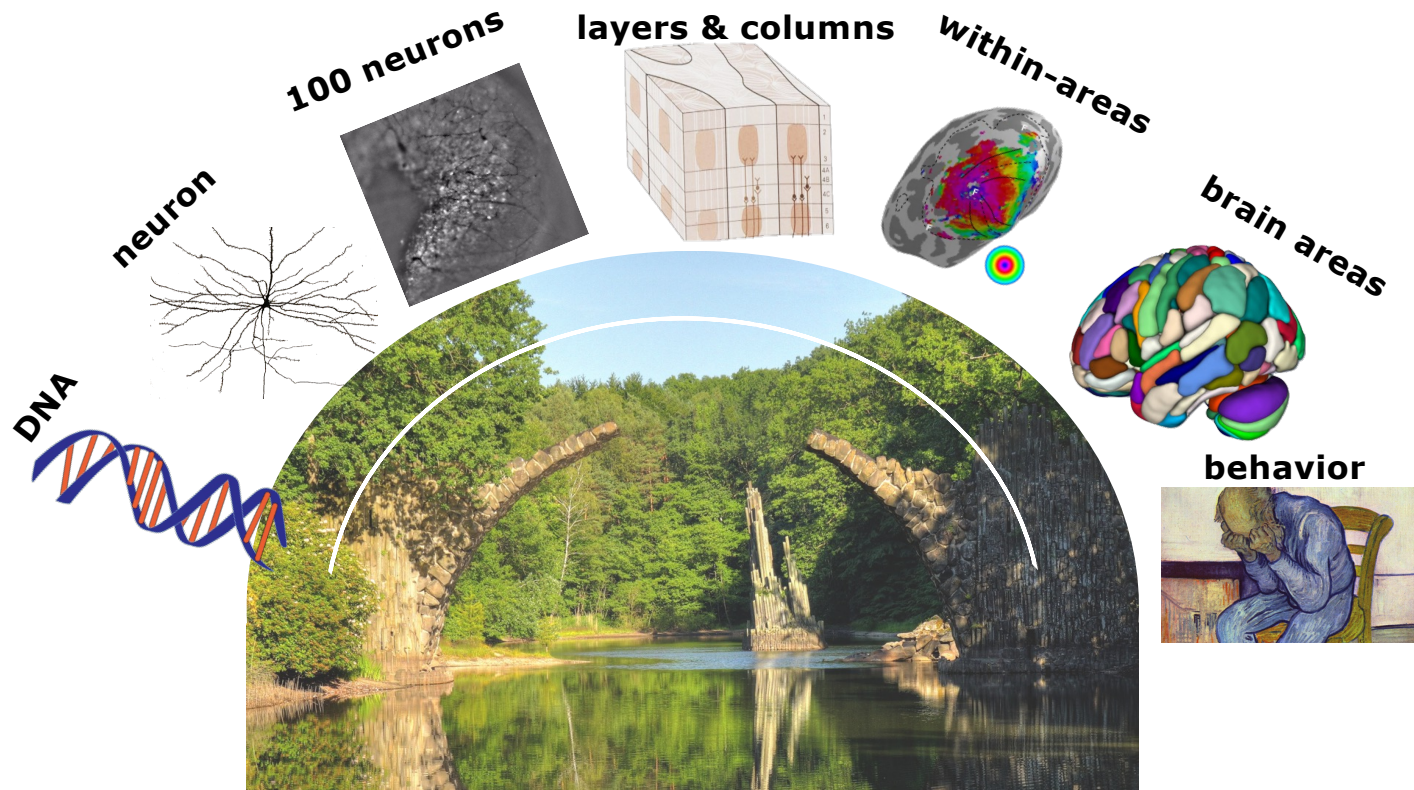
## Growth Potential



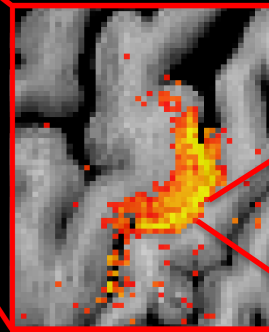
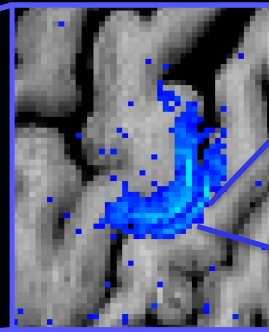
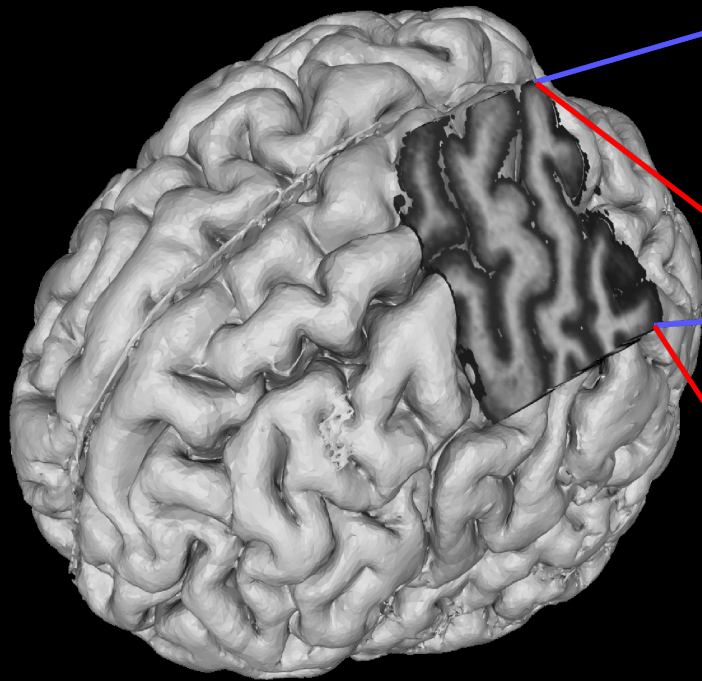
Neuropsychiatric disorders have the most growth potential for imaging



# bridging the scales in neuroscience

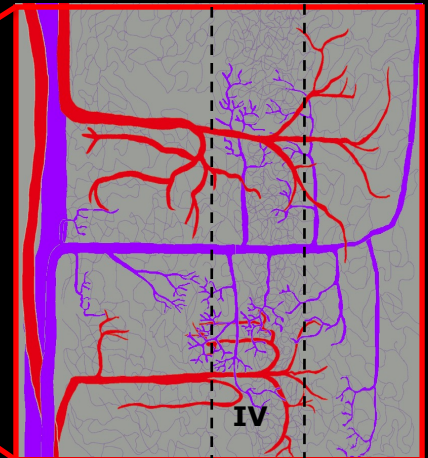
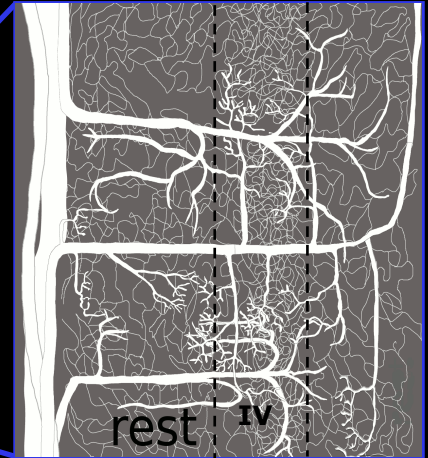


# VASO vs. BOLD Specificity

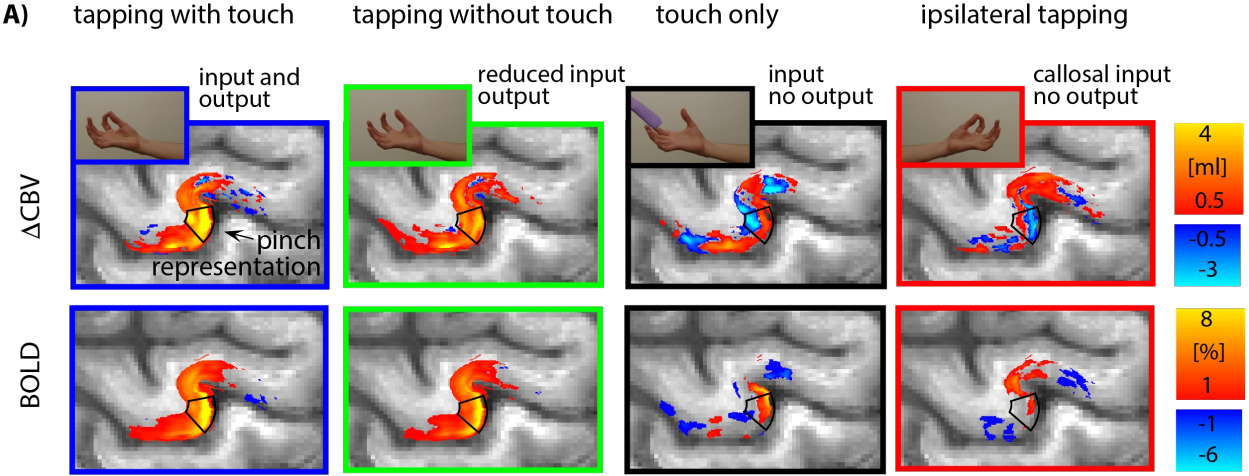


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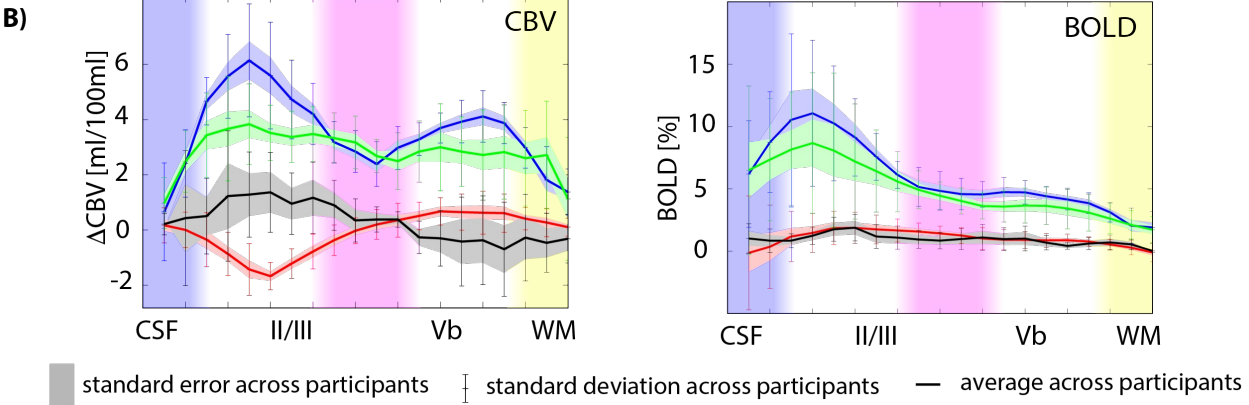
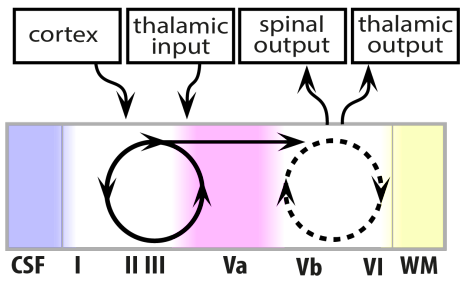
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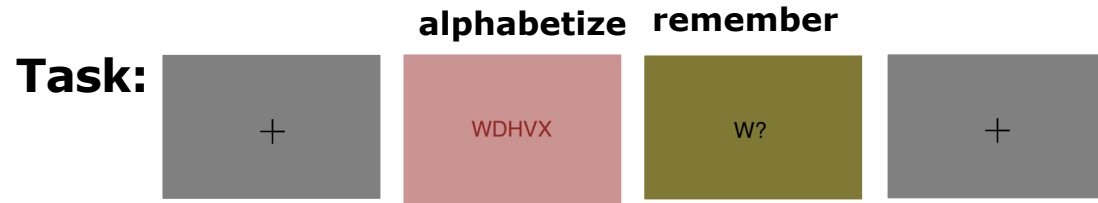
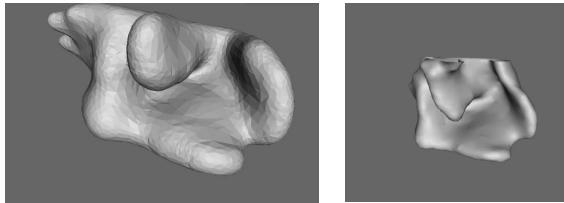
Experimental Results using VASO



A) expected M1 circuitry based on Mao et al. 2011 and Weiler et al. 2008

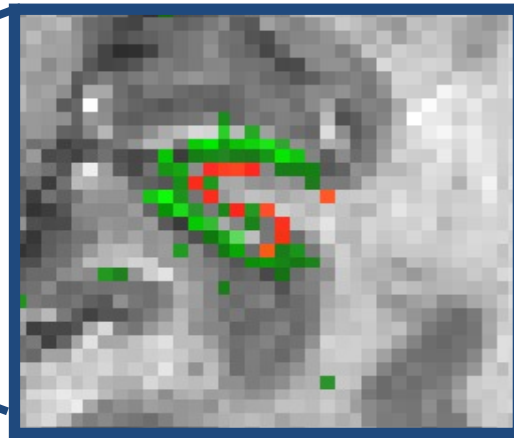
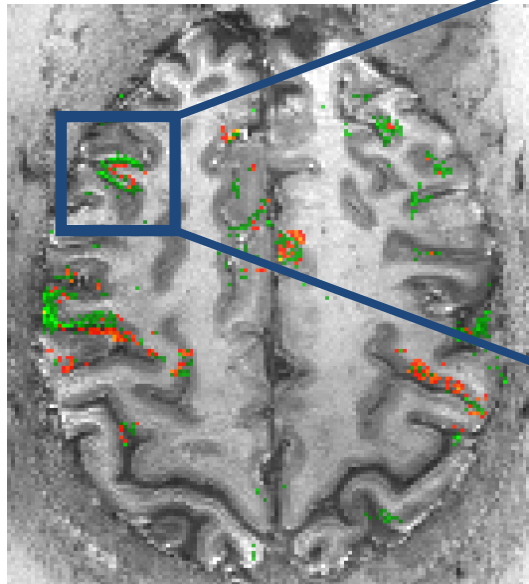


# Layer-dependent fMRI in "cognitive" area DLPFC



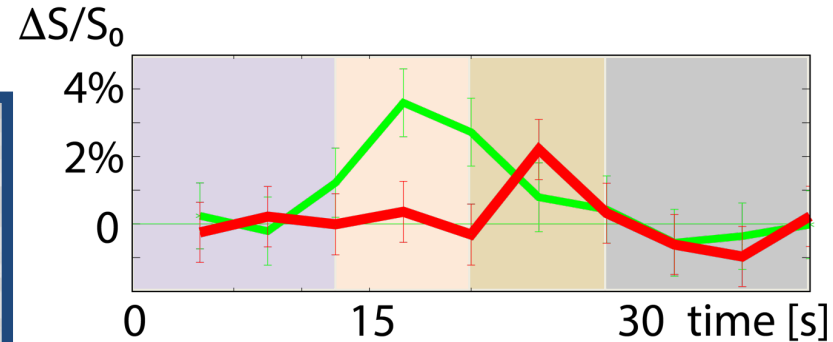
[D'Esposito et al., 1999]

signal slope after response "output" █ mental alphabetizing █



[Goldman-Rakic et al., 1996]

In collaboration with **Emily Finn**, who is interested in DLPFC



— superficial layer: alphabetizing  
— deeper layer: output, response

**N=5 participants**

7T, 32ch. Nova  
 resol. 0.9 mm,  
**FLASH-GRAPPA**,  
 partial Fourier 6/8  
 24 slices

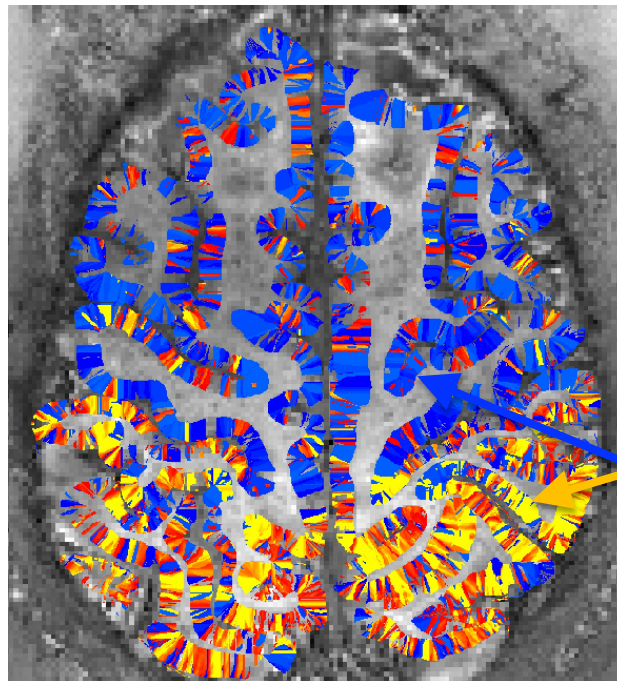
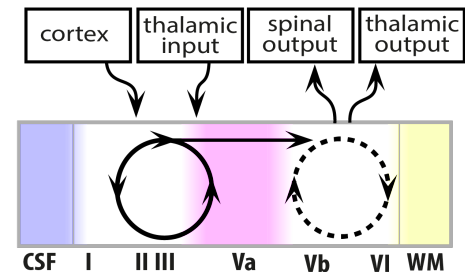
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# Resting State Correlation within Layers

**Hubness: functional connectivity strengths of one layer to all other layers in each column**

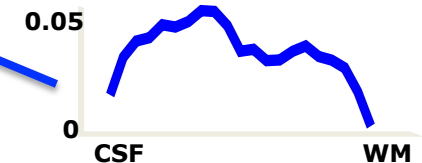
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**Hub in middle and deeper layers  
feed-forward dominated 'columns'**



**Hub in superficial layers  
feed-back dominated 'columns'**



**Huber, L. et al. Neuron (in press)**

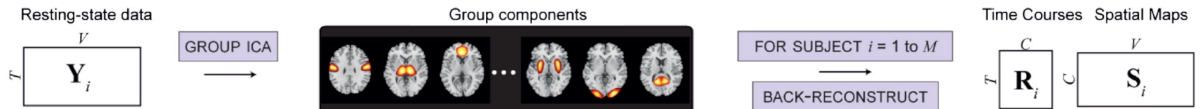
# Current Opportunities...

- **Processing methods**
- **Acquisition methods**
- **Big Data Analysis**

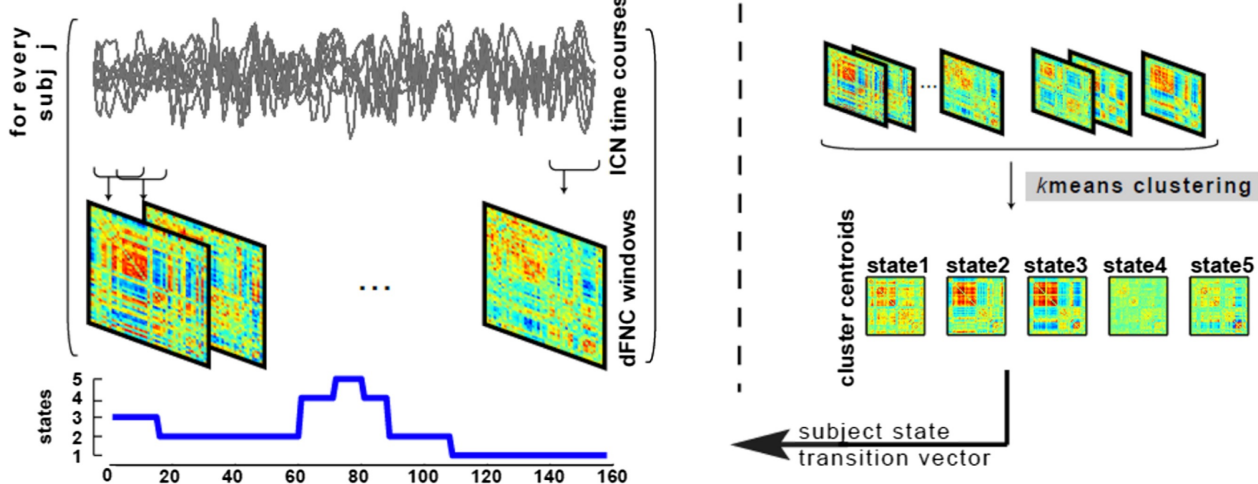


# Those with Schizophrenia have Different Resting State Dynamics

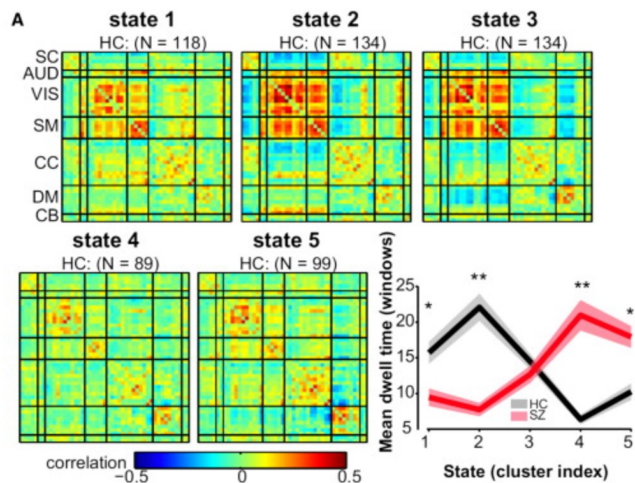
## A Identification of intrinsic connectivity networks (ICNs)



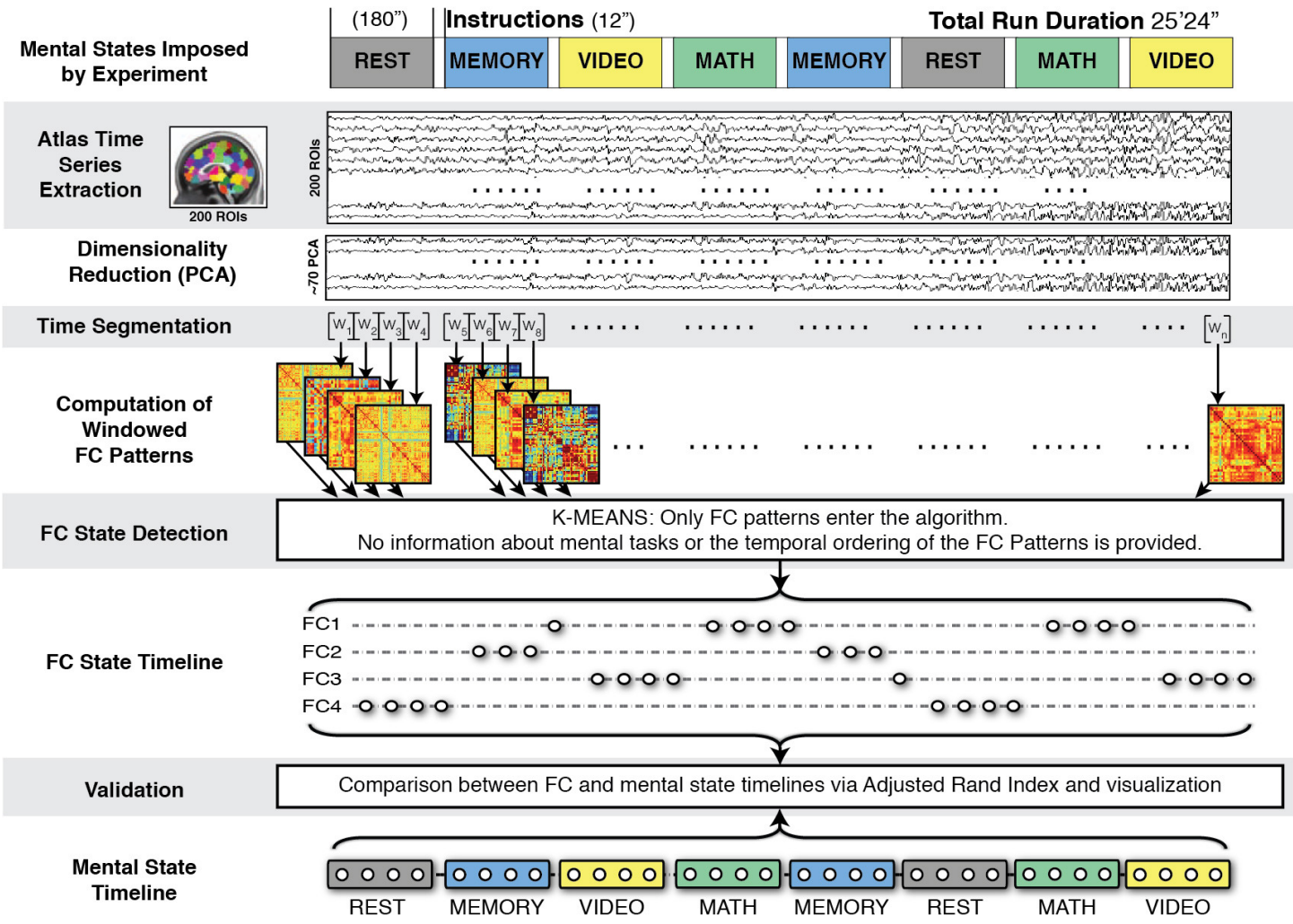
## B Assessment of functional network connectivity (FNC) between ICNs



**Five States...Dwell time is different in those with Schizophrenia**

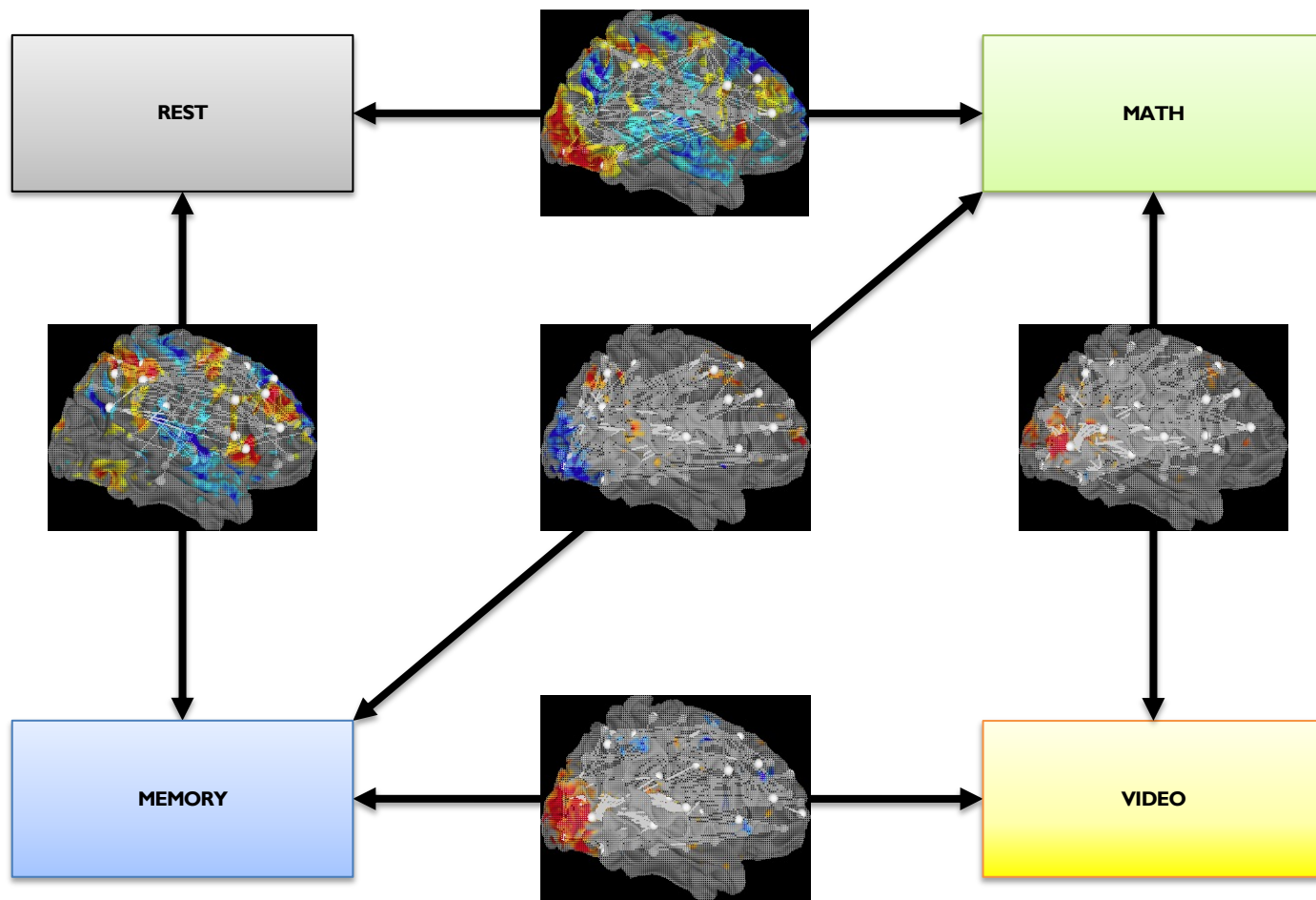


# Connectivity – Based Ongoing Task Decoding



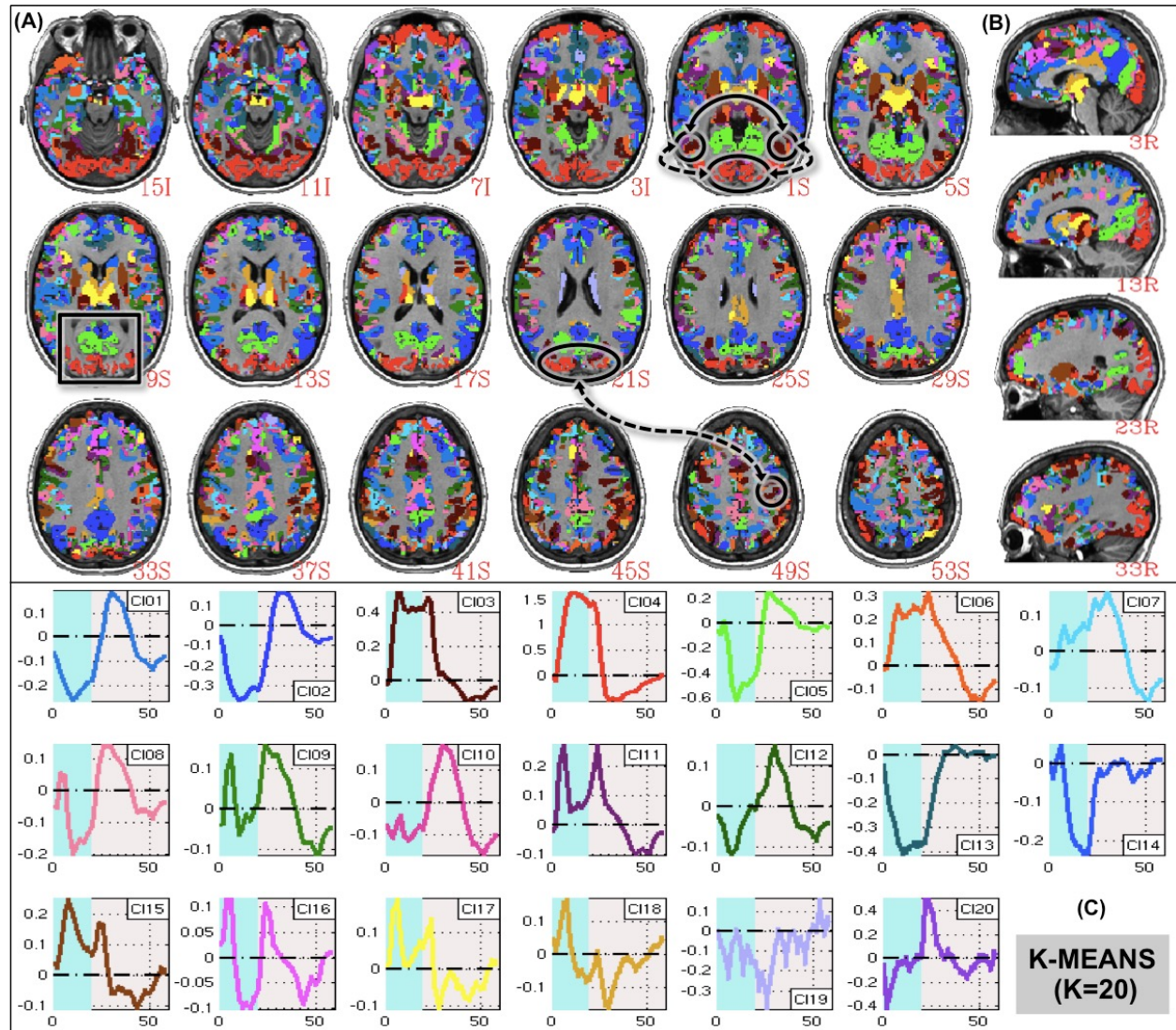
**Nearly 100% Accurate for subjects who were most engaged.**

# Informative Connectivity Changes were more extensive than magnitude changes (3 min window)



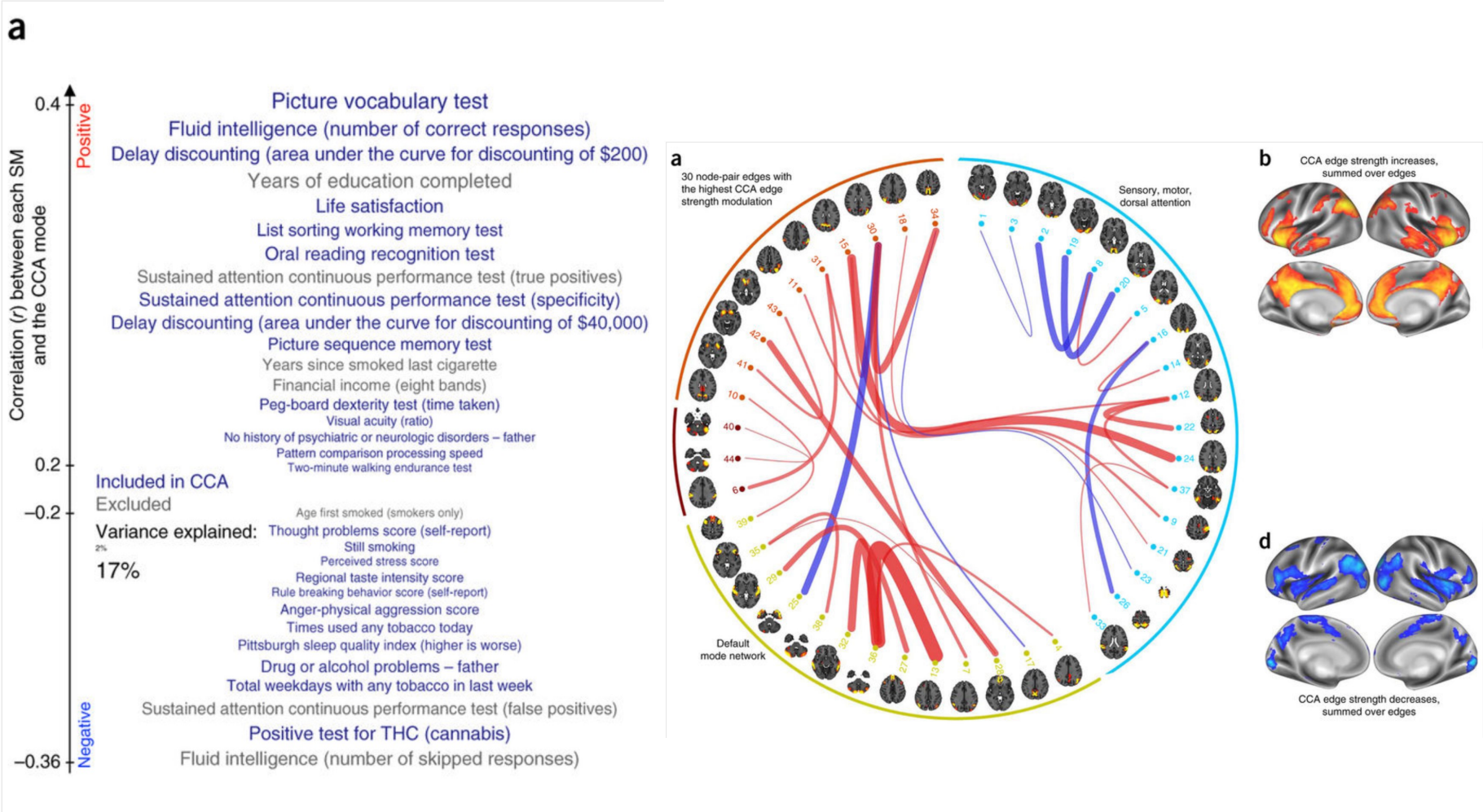


# Massive time-locked averaging & model free analysis = whole brain activation with a simple task



J. Gonzalez-Castillo, Z. Saad, D. A. Handwerker, S. J. Inati, N. Brenowitz, P. A. Bandettini, Whole-brain, time-locked activation with simple tasks revealed using massive averaging and model-free analysis. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 109, 14: pp. 5487-5492 (2012)

# Specific Networks are Correlated with Subject Measures



**A positive-negative mode of population covariation links brain connectivity, demographics and behavior**

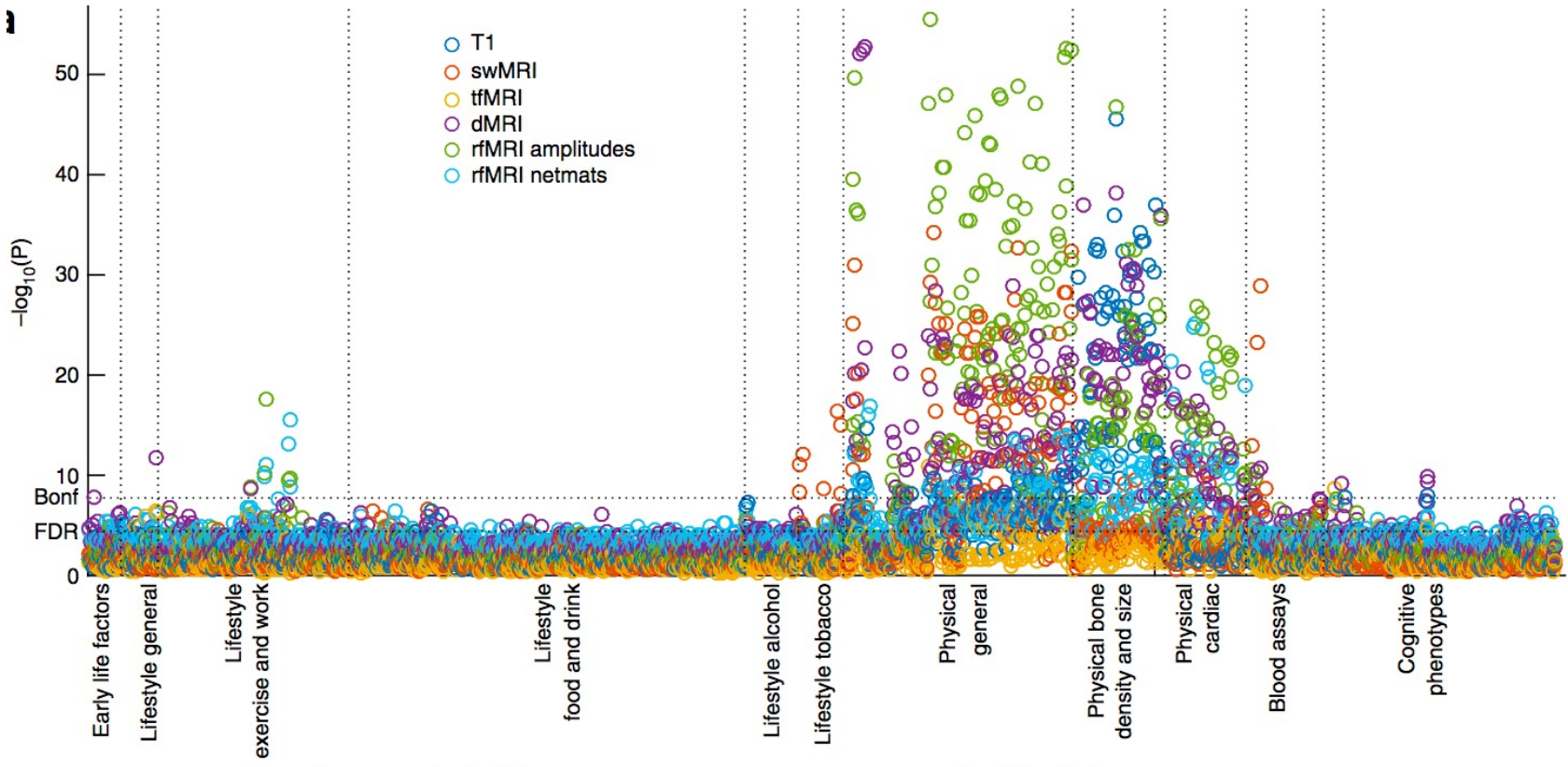
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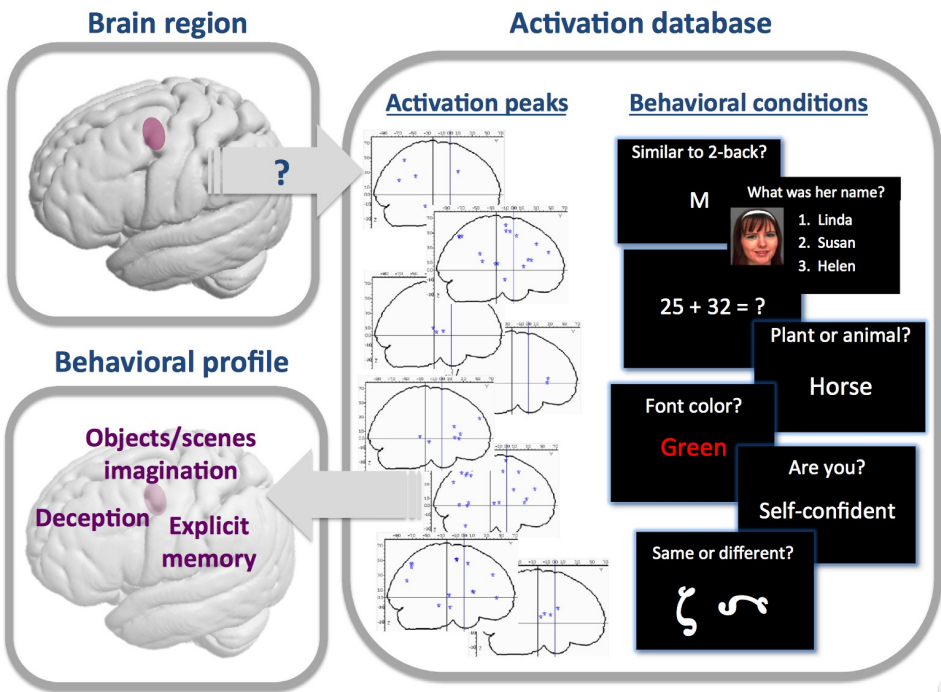
# UK Biobank: 5000 subjects analyzed...plan for 100,000 subjects.



Multimodal population brain imaging in the UK Biobank prospective epidemiological study, Miller et al. Nature Neuroscience, 19, 2016



# Creating a behavioral profile for each region



## Brain Map or NeuroSynth

Genon, S, et al. How to characterize the function of a brain region. TICS, 22, 2018

# Current Challenges and Opportunities:

## Challenges

- **Remove Fluctuations & Sources of Variability**
  - **Physiologic Fluctuations**
  - **BOLD HRF variability.**
  - **Scanner and pulse sequence variability**
- **Develop pipeline for Individual Assessment**
  - **Develop fMRI-based *Biomarkers* from large data sets**
  - **Universal parcellation scheme for resting state analysis**
- **High Resolution**
  - **Whole brain high resolution method that is impervious to veins**
  - **Compare high resolution data** (*blobs – yes, columns and layers – not yet*)

## Opportunities

- **Processing and Modeling Methods**
  - **Machine learning and deep learning approaches...big data.**
  - **Create better computational models to describe data.**
  - **Further information extraction from the time series**  
*dynamic resting state, activation dynamics and latencies, activation-based correlation changes, subtle non-canonical signal changes.*
- **Acquisition**
  - **Potential contrast mechanisms** (*diffusion, elastography, currents...*).
  - **Real time feedback fMRI for behavioral modification.**

**How did this all begin?**

**First challenges and opportunities.**

**What has improved?**

**What has not improved?**

**Current challenges and opportunities.**

**Where are we going?**

**Ultimate limits and applications?**

# Technology

# Methodology

**Local Gradient Coils**

**Standardized Parcellation**

**More detail: layers, columns, pattern effects**

**Machine Learning**

**Multiple simultaneous contrasts**

**Computational Models rather than description**

**Compressed sensing, fingerprinting...**

**Massive Well Curated Databases**

**Noise Characterization and Removal**

**Real time feedback fMRI**

**More precise BOLD – neuronal activity comparisons**

**Neuromodulation effects on connectivity**

**Biomarker Discovery**

**Individual rather than Group Assessment**

# Interpretation

# Applications

**How did this all begin?**

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# Ultimate fMRI limits?

- **What is solvable?**

- ✓ **Physiologic noise removal**
- ✓ **Achieving nearly perfect shim**
- ✓ **Basis and purpose of resting state signal and connectivity**
- ✓ **Hemodynamic variability in magnitude and phase**
- ✓ **Vendor, scanner, upgrade, pulse sequence variability for large data sets**
- ✓ **Universal Parcellation Scheme**
- ✓ **Cryogen-free scanners up to 7T**
- ✓ **Silent fMRI sequences – or improved noise cancellation**

- **What may become Common practice?**

- ✓ **Sub – mm functional resolution for whole brain**
- ✓ **Simultaneous multiple hemodynamic contrasts**
- ✓ **Quantitative baseline fMRI- based CMRO<sub>2</sub> mapping**
- ✓ ***Database research: normal, cross disease, longitudinal, and multimodal - for biomarker discovery***
- ✓ **Naturalistic paradigms**

- **Applications:**

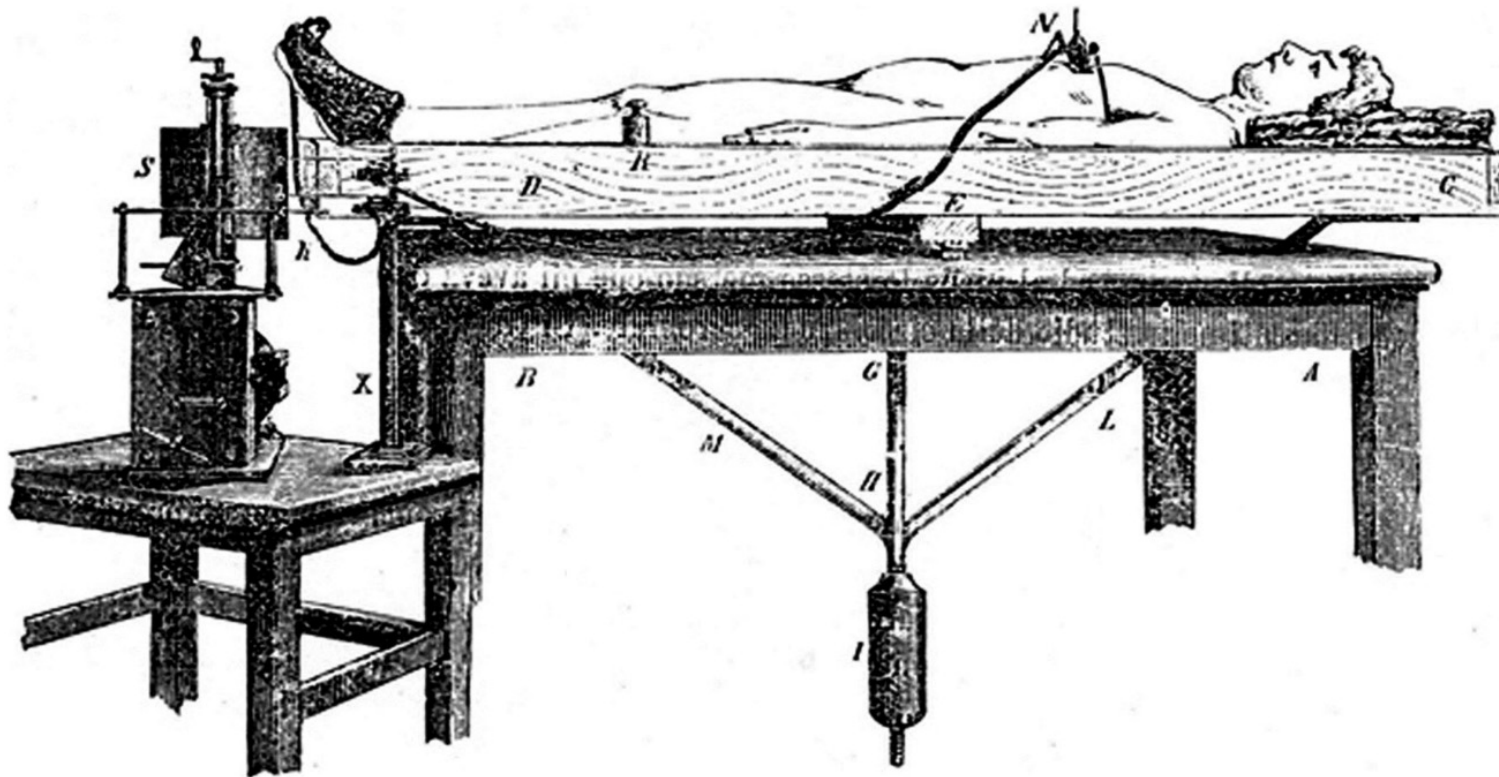
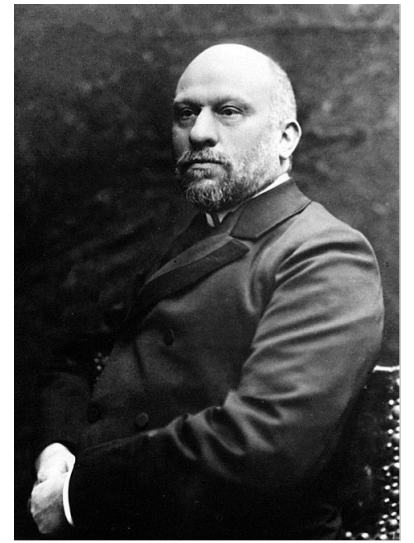
- ✓ **Individual fMRI-based “stress-test” for psychiatric or neurologic testing**
- ✓ **Real time fMRI feedback for behavior or perception modification**
- ✓ **Pre-surgical Mapping**
- ✓ **Rapid biomarker based fMRI screening**



# What could change everything?

- **Room temperature superconductors**
- **Direct neuronal contrast with MRI is discovered/developed**
- **Breakthrough in function-specific contrast agents (labelled agents or nano-particles)**
- **One powerful and unique clinical application of fMRI**

# 1880's: Angelo Mosso's balance



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# Brain Assessment... c. 1905

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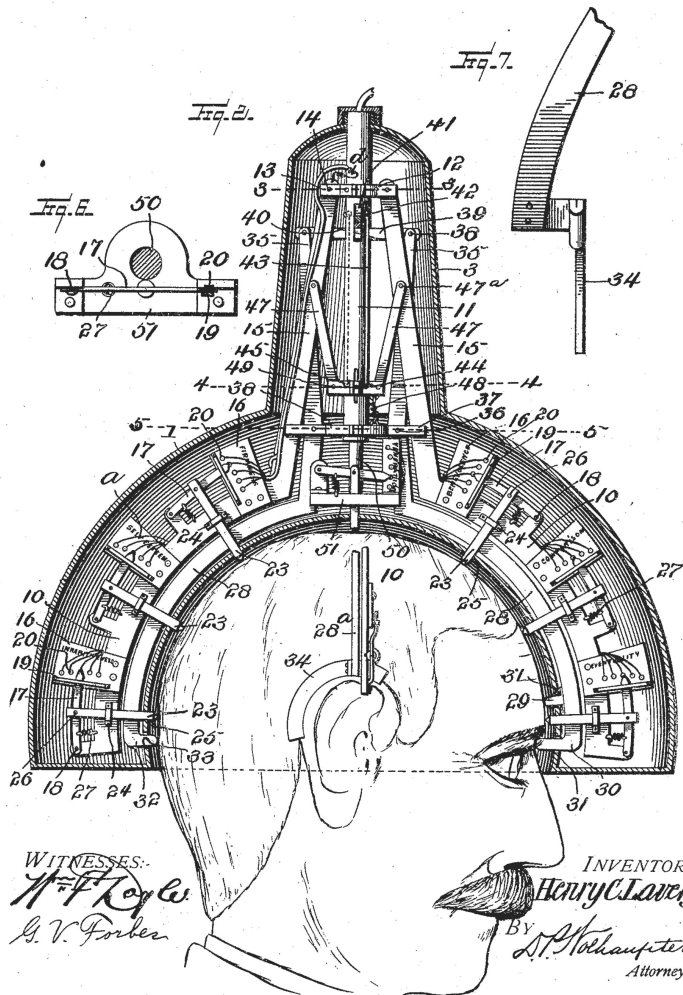
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## Early Resting State Apparatus



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