

# Neuronal Correlates of BOLD

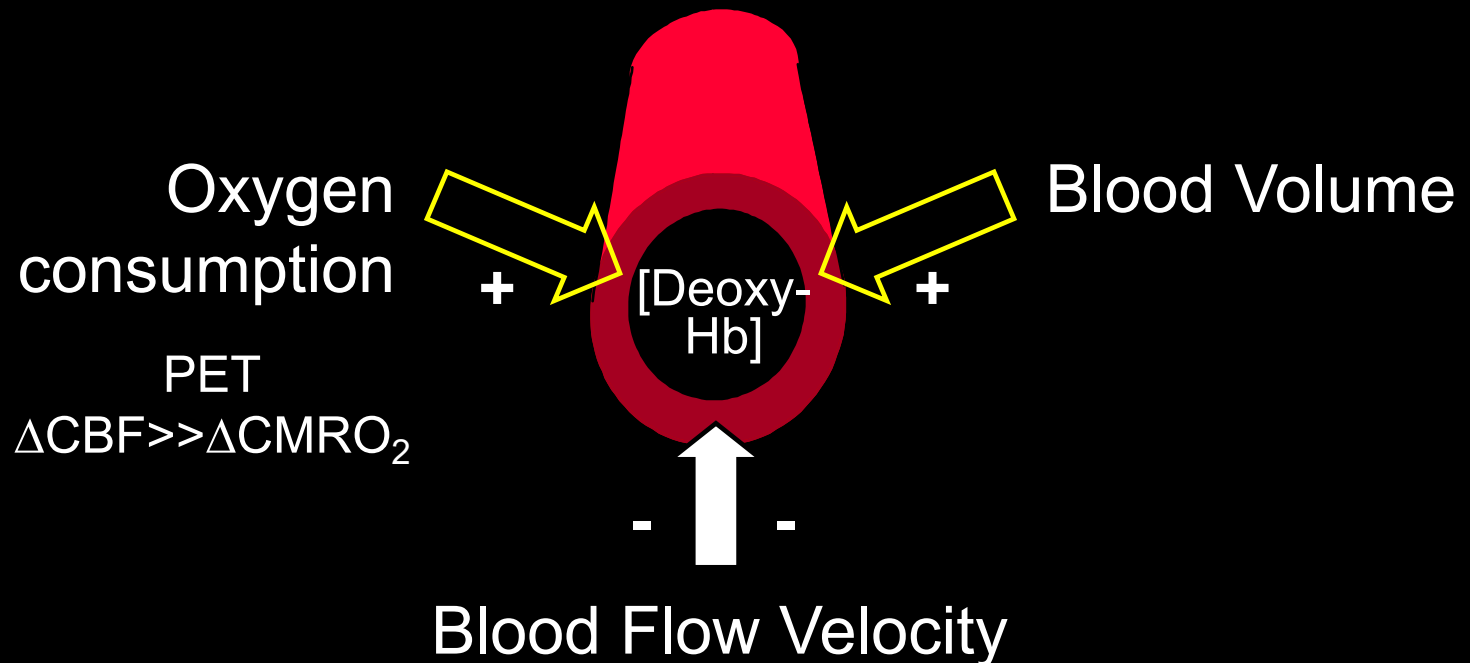
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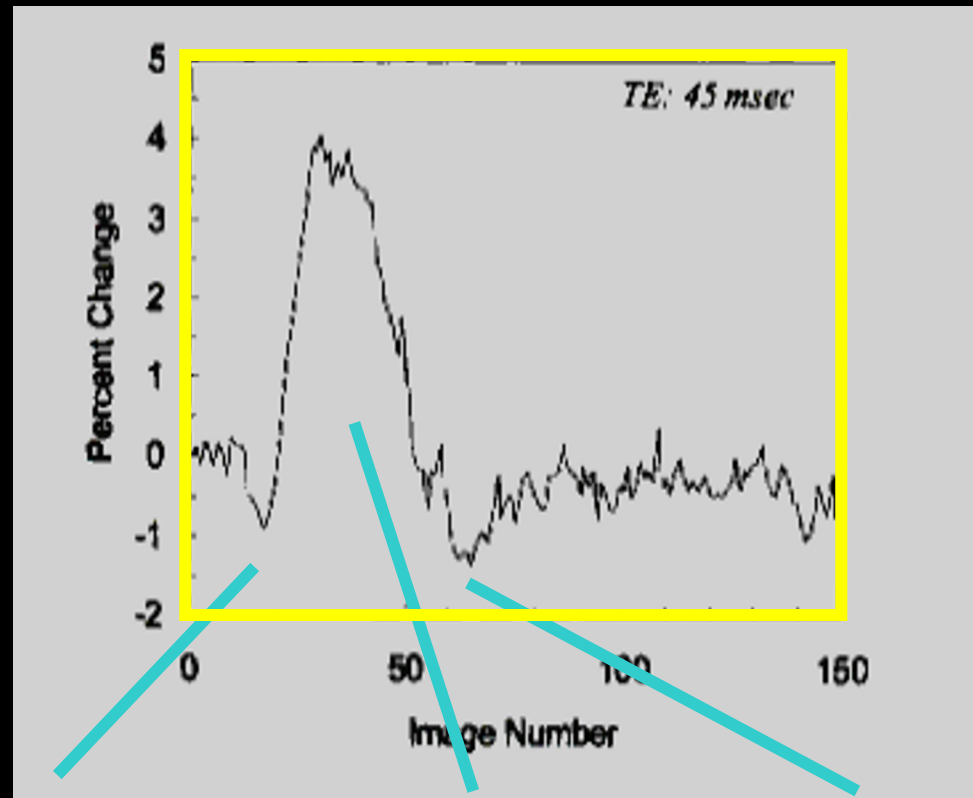
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# The vascular response

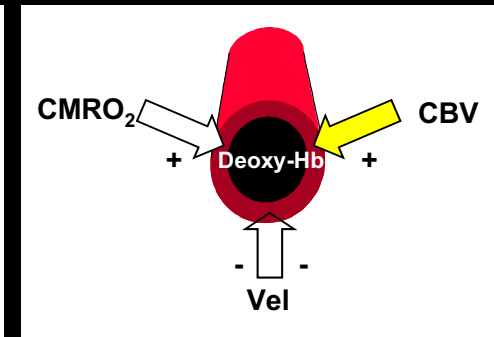
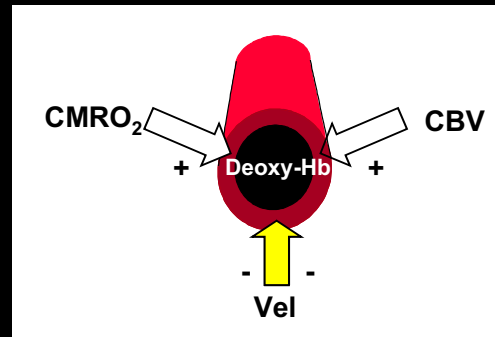
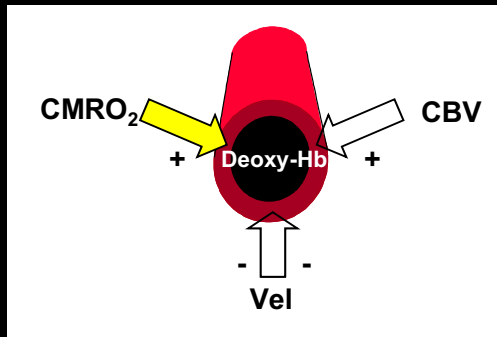
Factors influencing  
[Deoxy-Hb] concentration



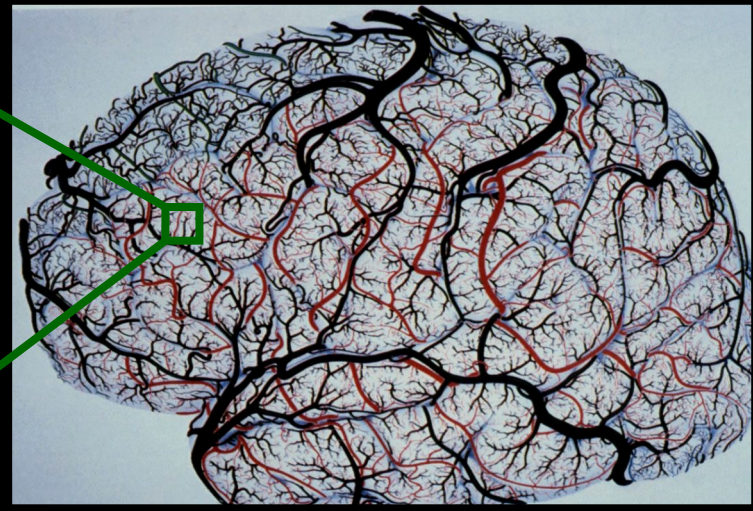
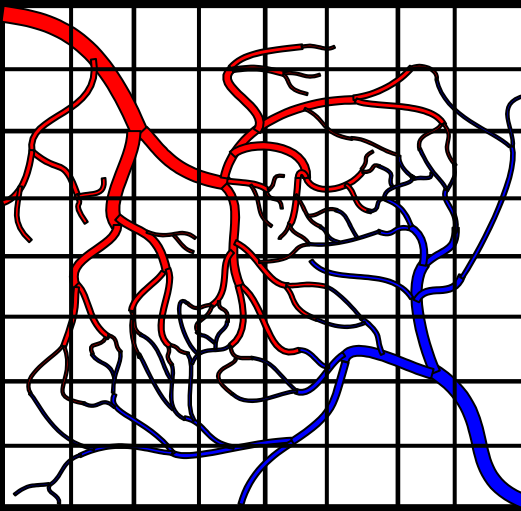
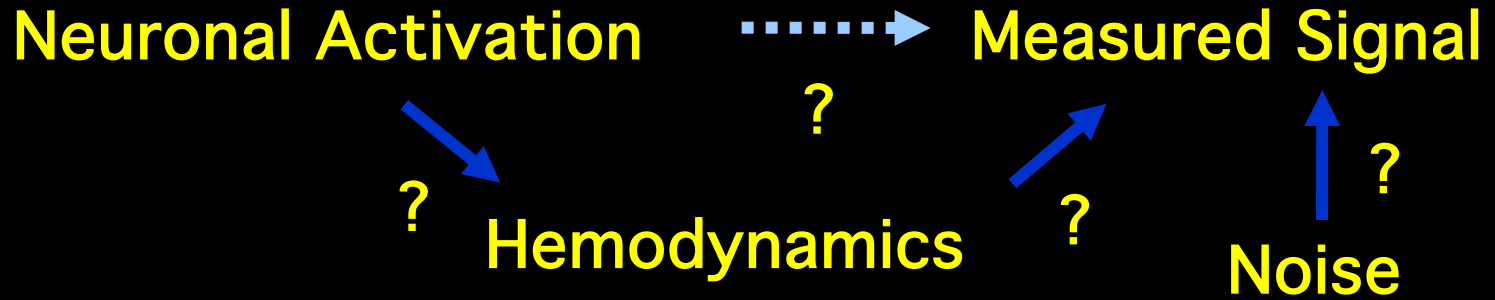
# Time course of BOLD signal



Yacoub E,  
Le TH,  
Ugurbil K,  
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# The Problem



# What we observe

- Magnitude
- Location
- Parametric Manipulation
- Latency
- Fluctuations

# Location

**Anatomy**



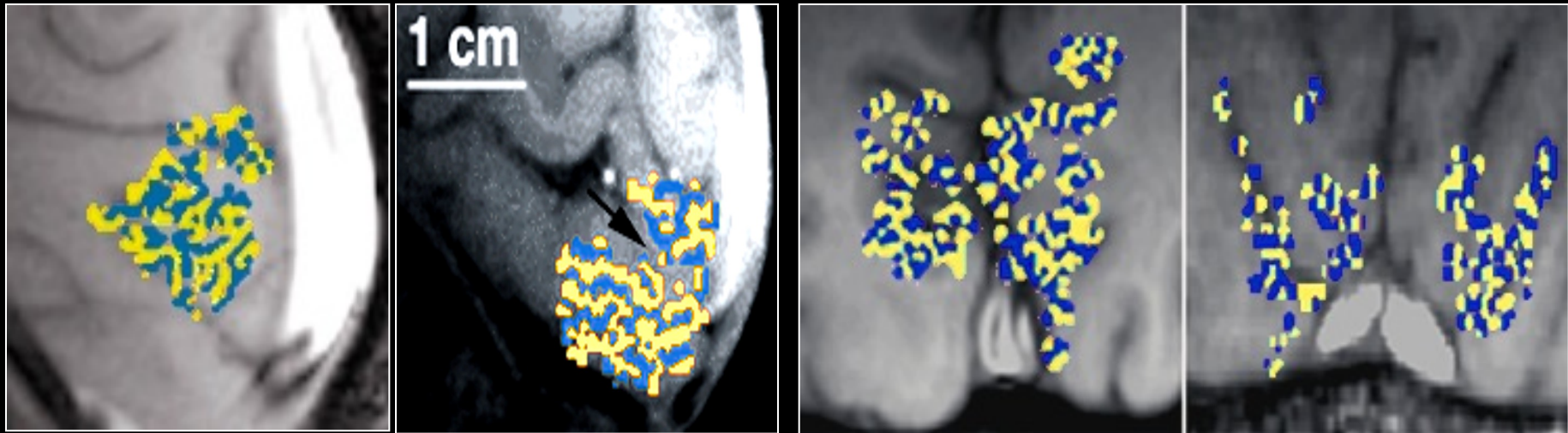
**BOLD**



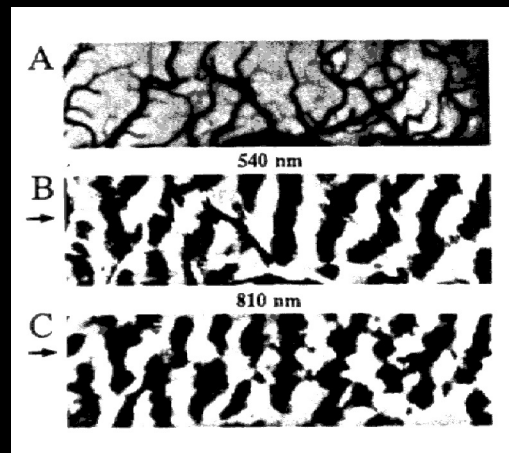
**Perfusion**



# Ocular Dominance Column Mapping using fMRI



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Optical Imaging

R. D. Frostig et. al, PNAS 87: 6082-6086, (1990).

# The spatial extent of the BOLD response

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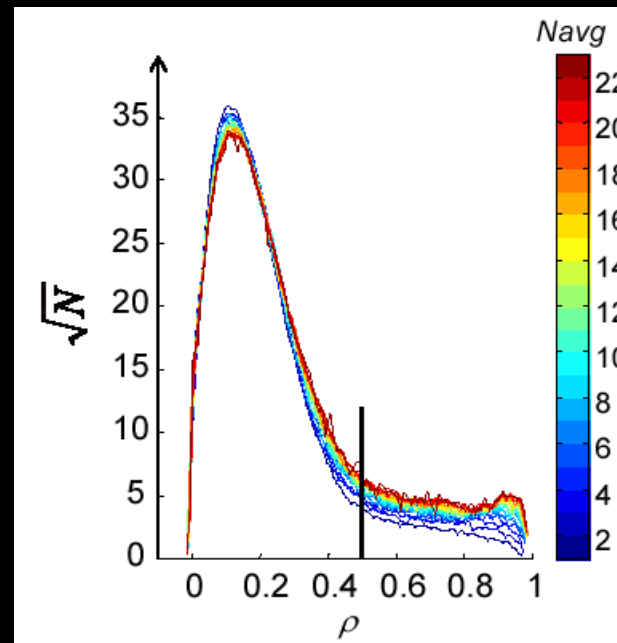
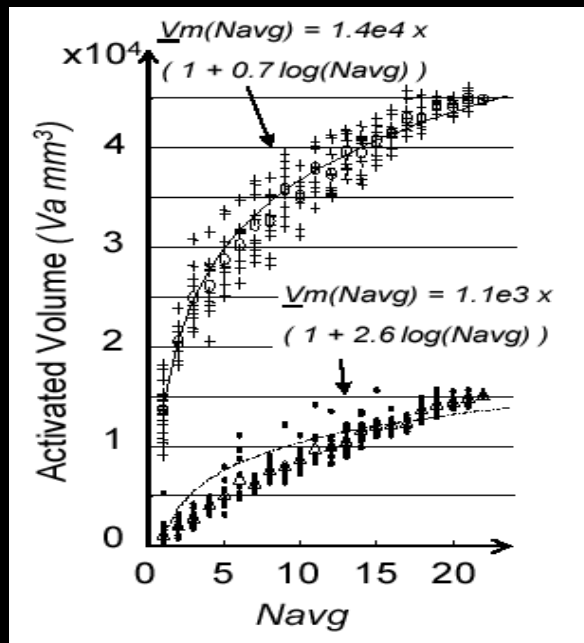
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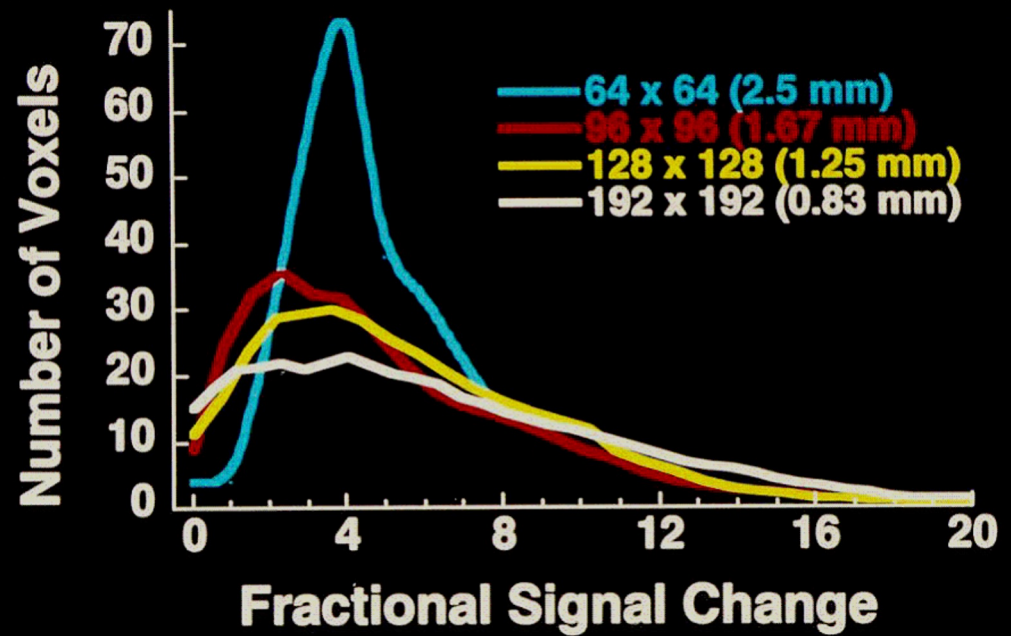
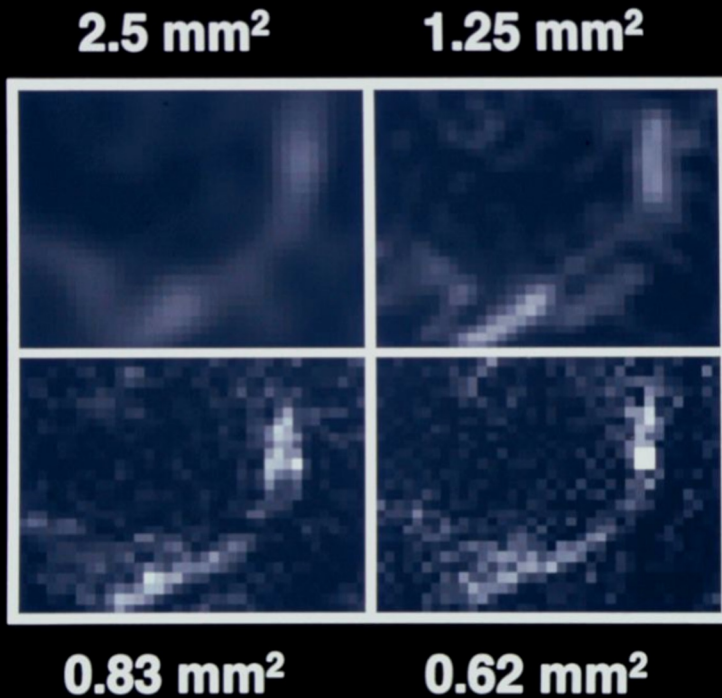
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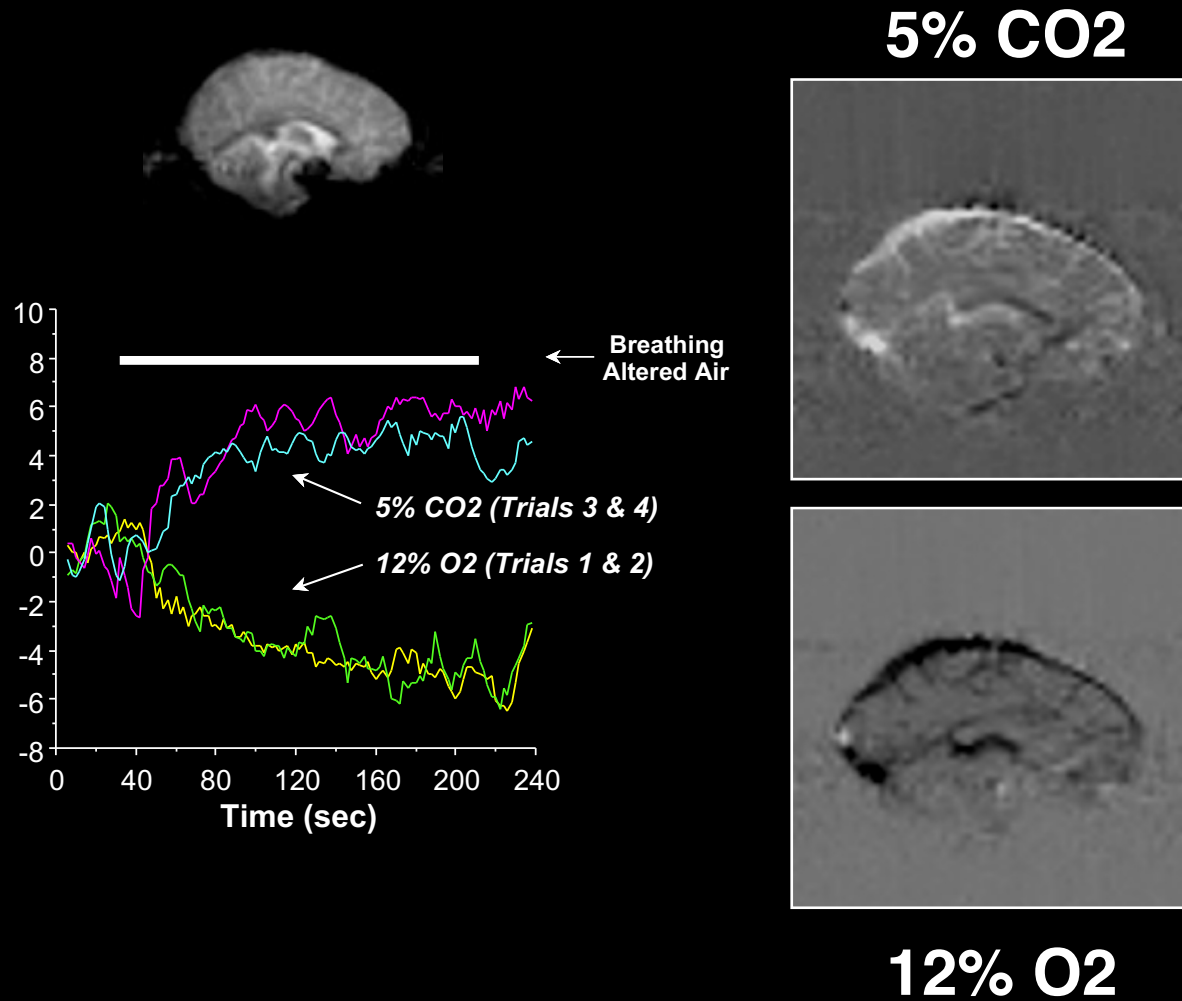
# Magnitude

## Fractional Signal Change



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# Hemodynamic Stress Calibration



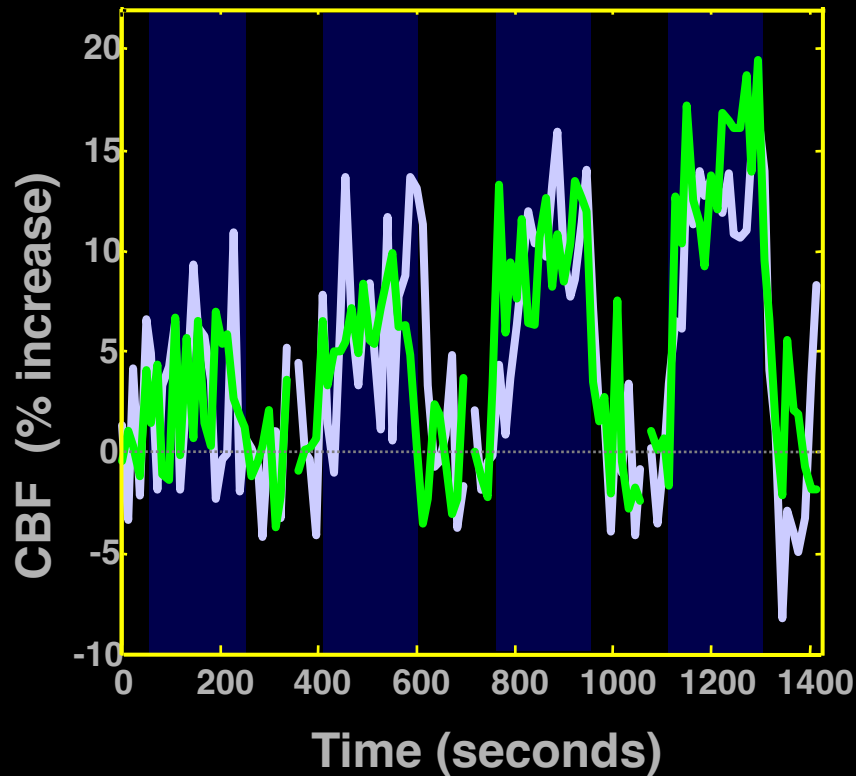
P. A. Bandettini, E. C. Wong, A hypercapnia - based normalization method for improved spatial localization of human brain activation with fMRI. *NMR in Biomedicine* 10, 197-203 (1997).

## Linear coupling between cerebral blood flow and oxygen consumption in activated human cortex

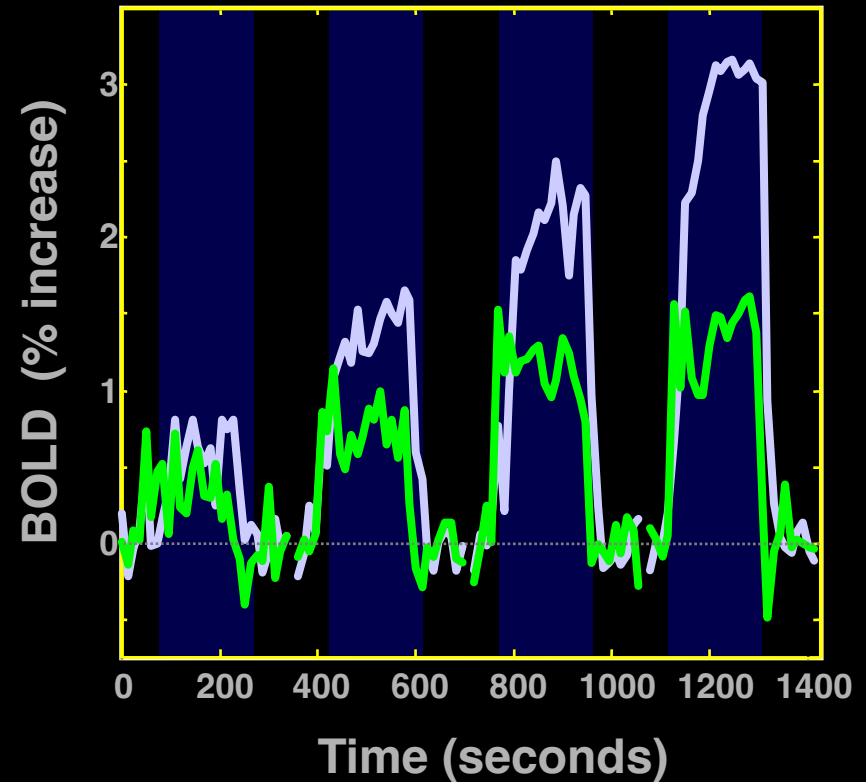
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### CBF



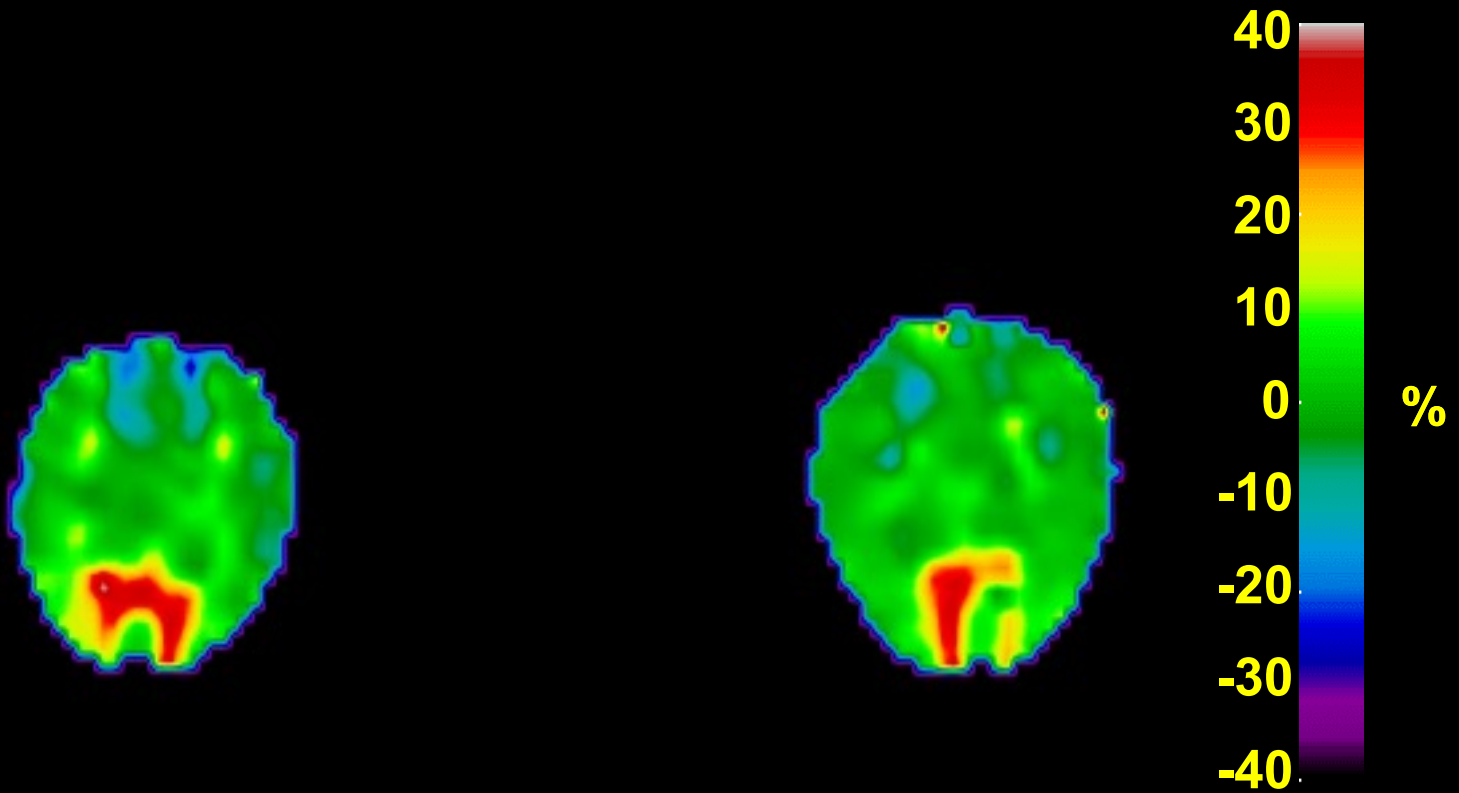
### BOLD



Simultaneous Perfusion and BOLD imaging during  
graded visual activation and hypercapnia

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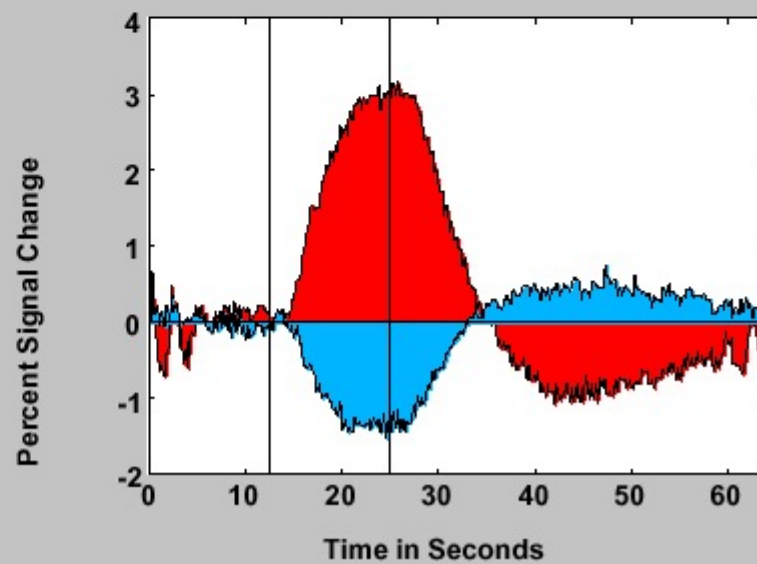
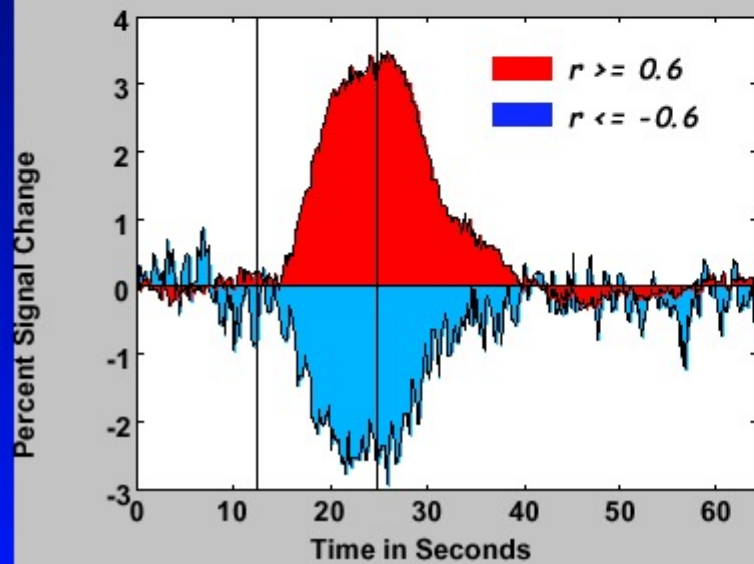
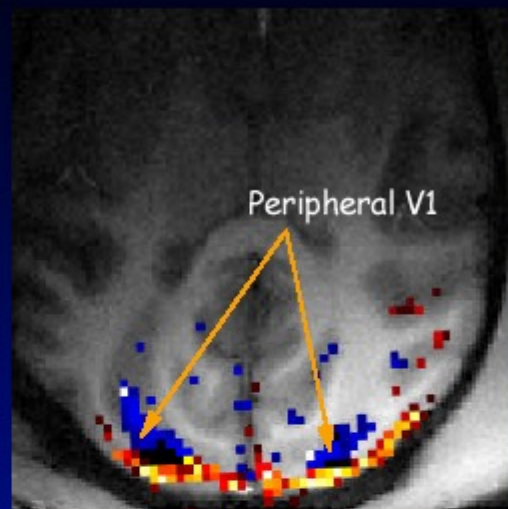
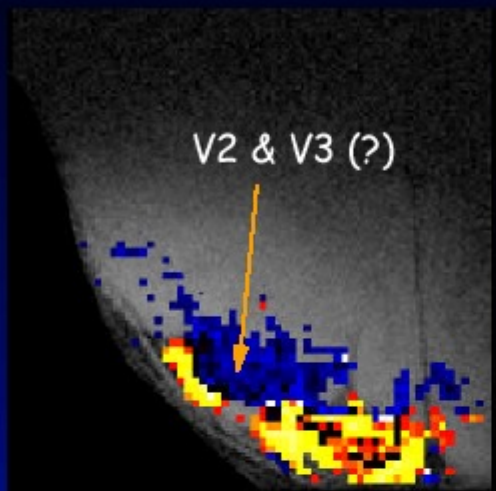
# Computed CMRO<sub>2</sub> Changes



**Subject 1**

**Subject 2**

# Negative BOLD effect

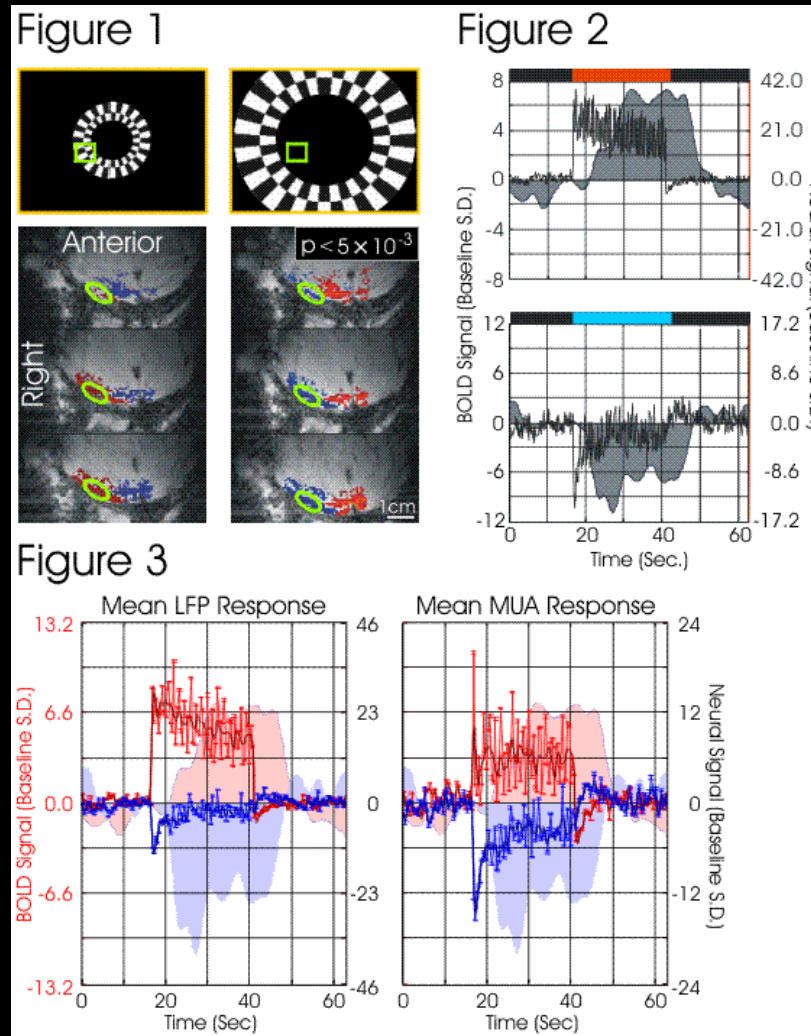


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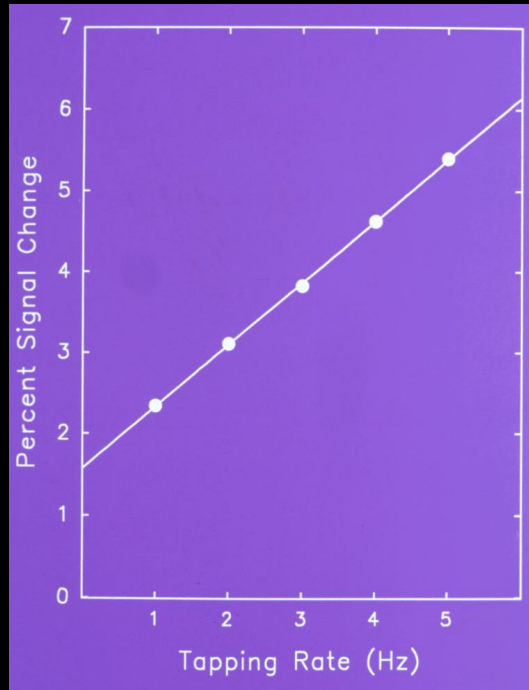
# The Negative BOLD Response in Monkey V1 Is Associated with Decreases in Neuronal Activity

Amir Shmuel\*†, Mark Augath, Axel Oeltermann, Jon Pauls, Yusuke Murayama, Nikos K. Logothetis



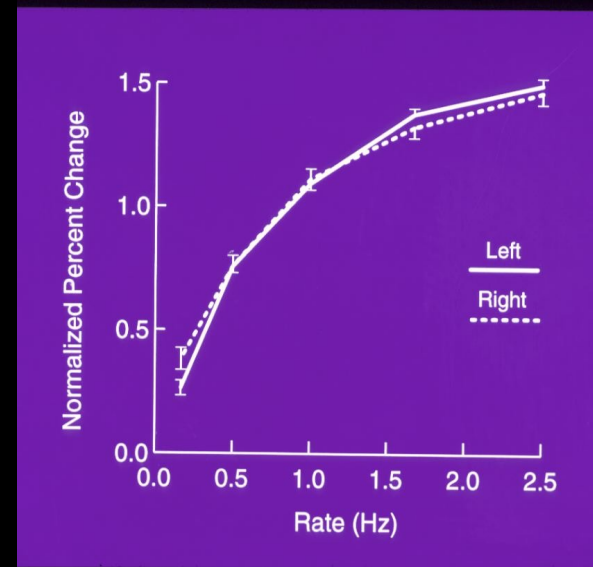
# Parametric Manipulation

## Motor Cortex



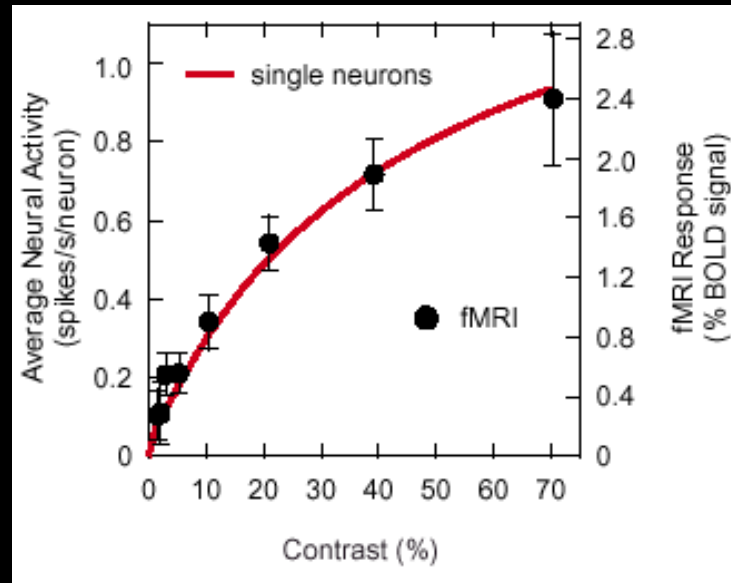
S. M. Rao et al, (1996) "Relationship between finger movement rate and functional magnetic resonance signal change in human primary motor cortex." *J. Cereb. Blood Flow and Met.* 16, 1250-1254.

## Auditory Cortex



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# fMRI responses in human V1 are proportional to average firing rates in monkey V1



Heeger, D. J., Huk, A. C., Geisler, W. S., and Albrecht, D. G. 2000. Spikes versus BOLD: What does neuroimaging tell us about neuronal activity? *Nat. Neurosci.* 3: 631–633.

**0.4 spikes/sec -> 1% BOLD**

Rees, G., Friston, K., and Koch, C. 2000. A direct quantitative relationship between the functional properties of human and macaque V5. *Nat. Neurosci.* 3: 716–723.

**9 spikes/sec -> 1% BOLD**



## Simultaneous Recording of Evoked Potentials and $T_2^*$ -Weighted MR Images During Somatosensory Stimulation of Rat

Gerrit Brinker, Christian Bock, Elmar Busch, Henning Krep, Konstantin-Alexander Hossmann, and Mathias Hoehn-Berlage

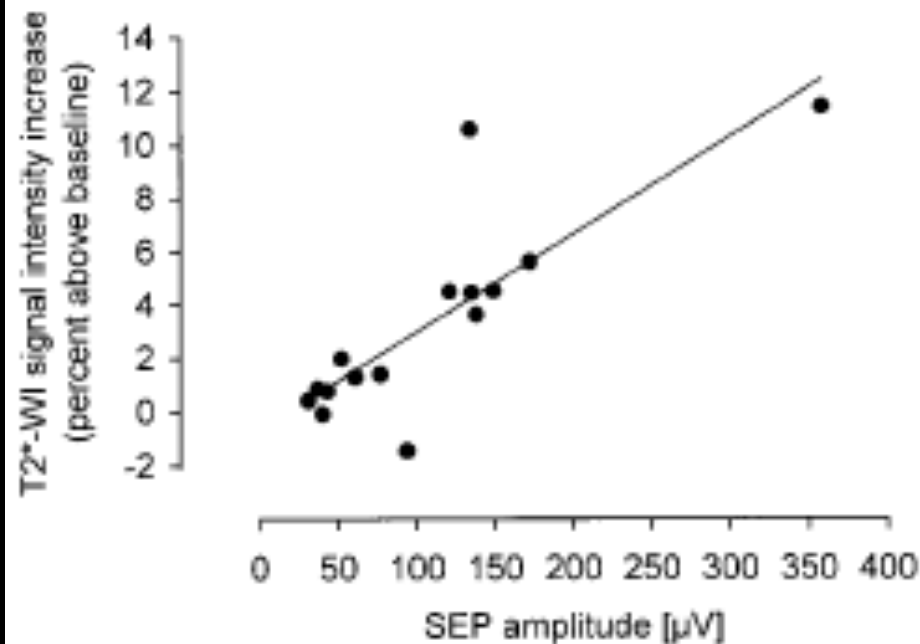


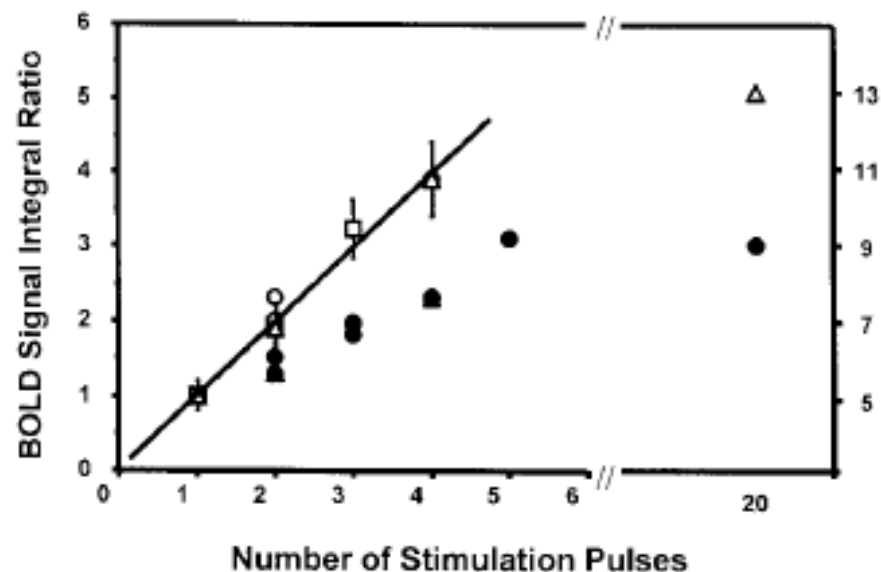
FIG. 3. Correlation of the increase of  $T_2^*$ -weighted imaging signal intensity with the peak-to-peak amplitude of the somatosensory evoked potential (SEP) during forepaw stimulation at increasing frequencies (data are from one individual animal;  $r = 0.82$ ).

# An approach to probe some neural systems interaction by functional MRI at neural time scale down to milliseconds

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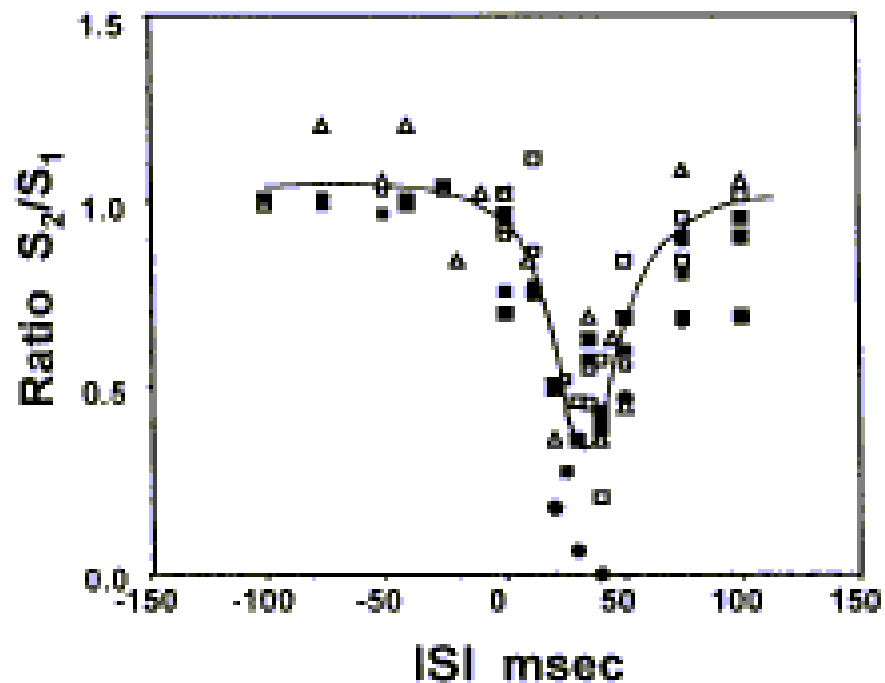
**Fig. 2.** BOLD responses to a number of stimulation pulses (Paradigm I) given to the rat forepaw. BOLD signal integrals (height times width at half height) relative to the signal by single stimulus (300- $\mu$ sec-wide current pulse at 0.4 to 0.8 mA) are plotted as a function of the number of stimuli administered. The open symbols are those measured with 620 msec ISI. The error bars indicate the possible ranges of the uncertainty in estimating the normalized values of BOLD signal changes (four rats). The filled symbols are those with 310 msec ISI (two rats).

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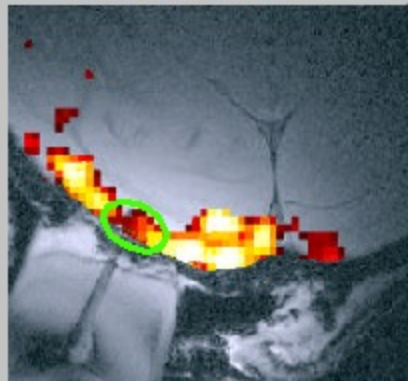
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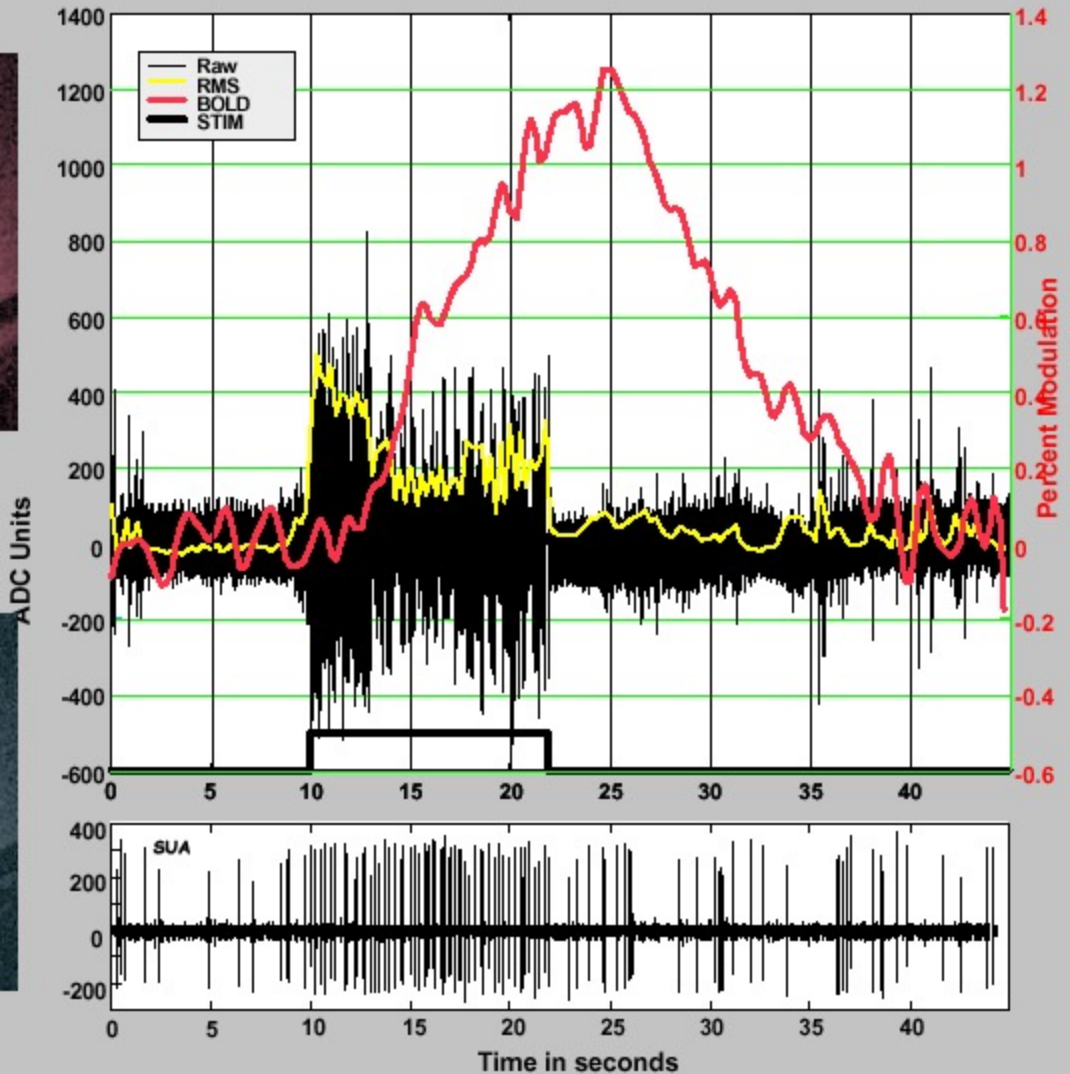
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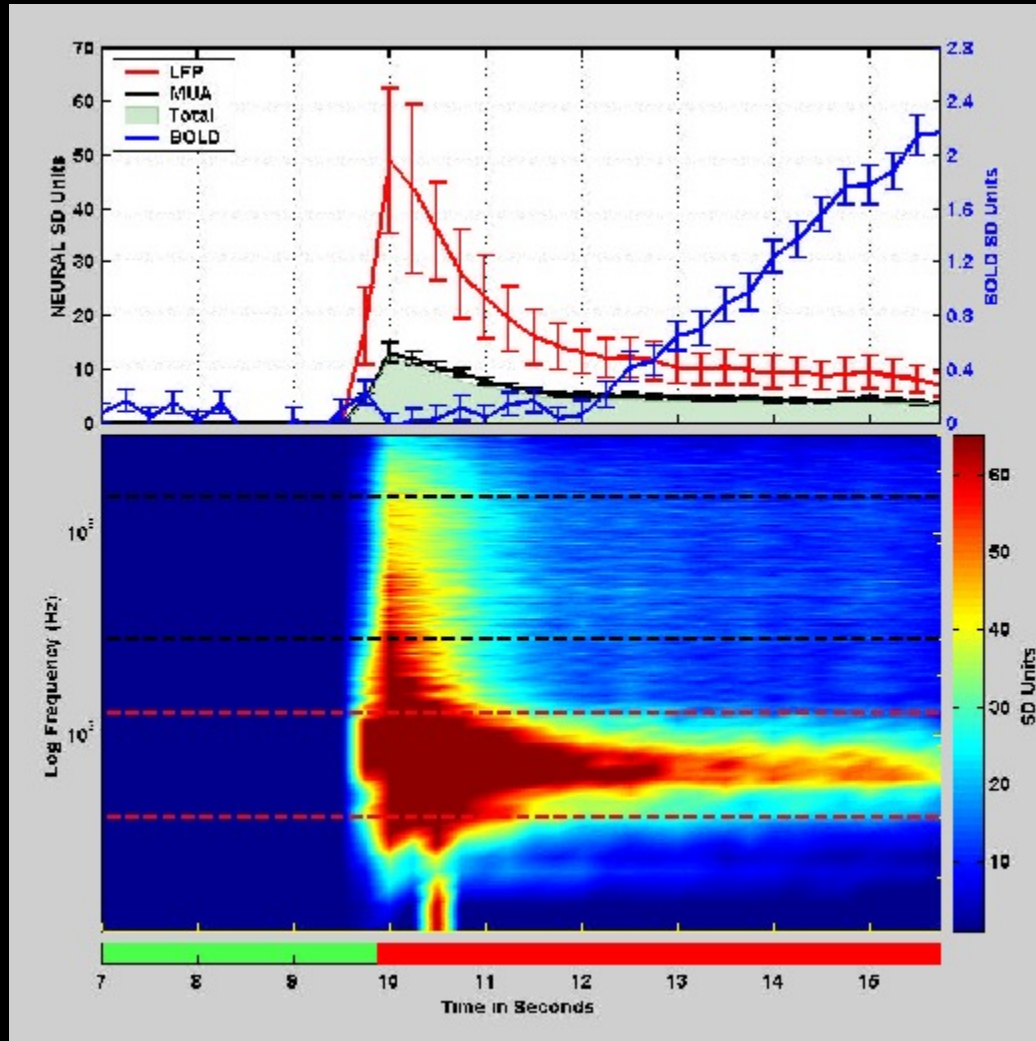
Electrode Position



BOLD Activation



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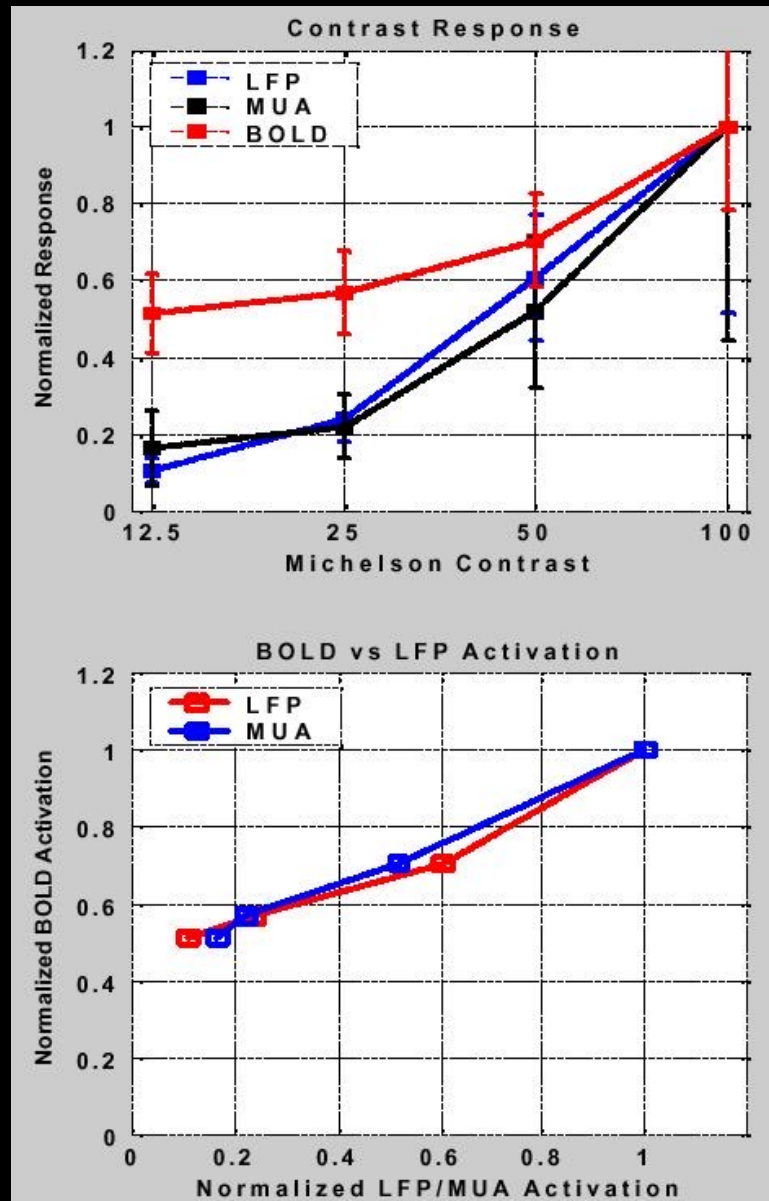
# The Underpinnings of the BOLD Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Signal

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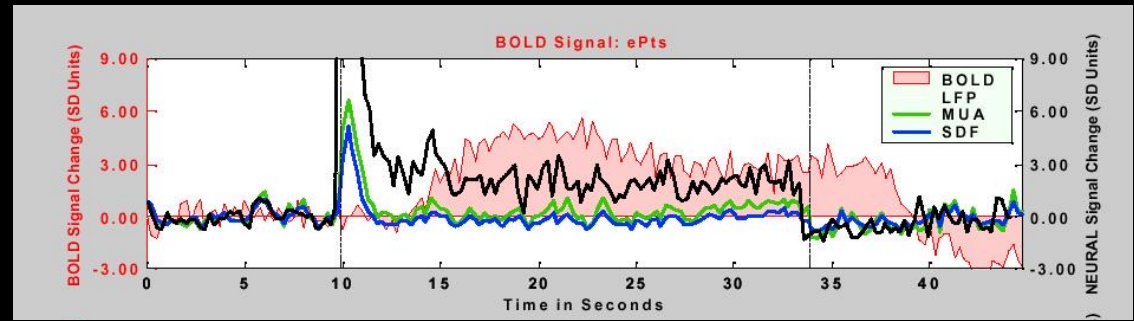
In summary, MUA mostly represents the spiking of neurons, with single-unit recordings mainly reporting on the activity of the projection neurons that form the exclusive output of a cortical area. LFPs, on the other hand, represent slow waveforms, including synaptic potentials, afterpotentials of somatodendritic spikes, and voltage-gated membrane oscillations, that reflect the input of a given cortical areas as well as its local intracortical processing, including the activity of excitatory and inhibitory interneurons.

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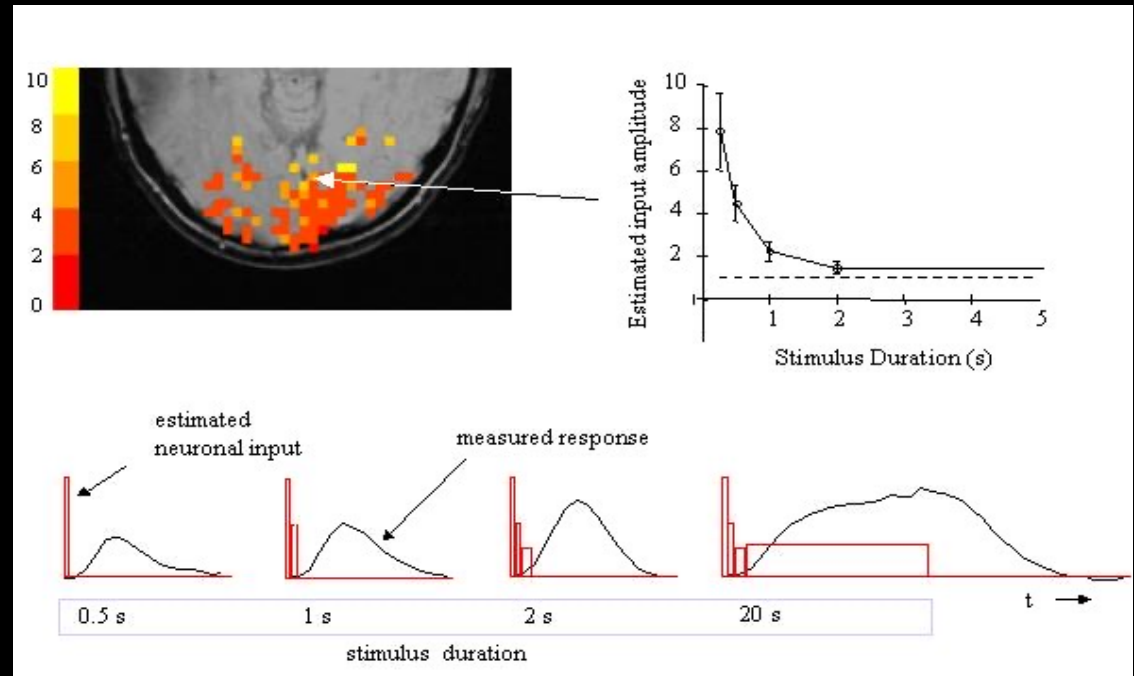


# BOLD Correlation with Neuronal Activity

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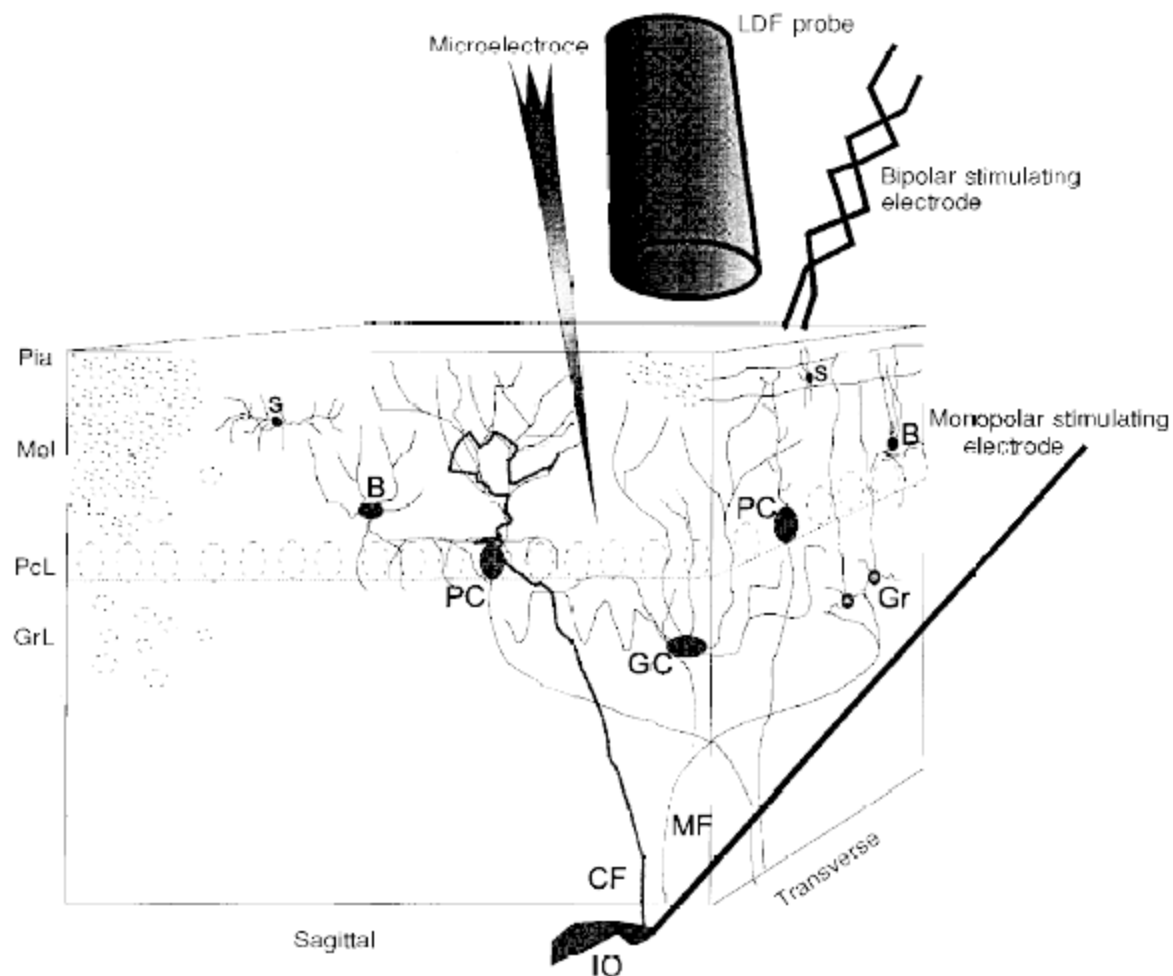
# Evidence that inhibitory input produces increased blood flow

*Journal of Physiology* (1998), 512.2, pp.555–568

## **Modification of activity-dependent increases of cerebral blood flow by excitatory synaptic activity and spikes in rat cerebellar cortex**

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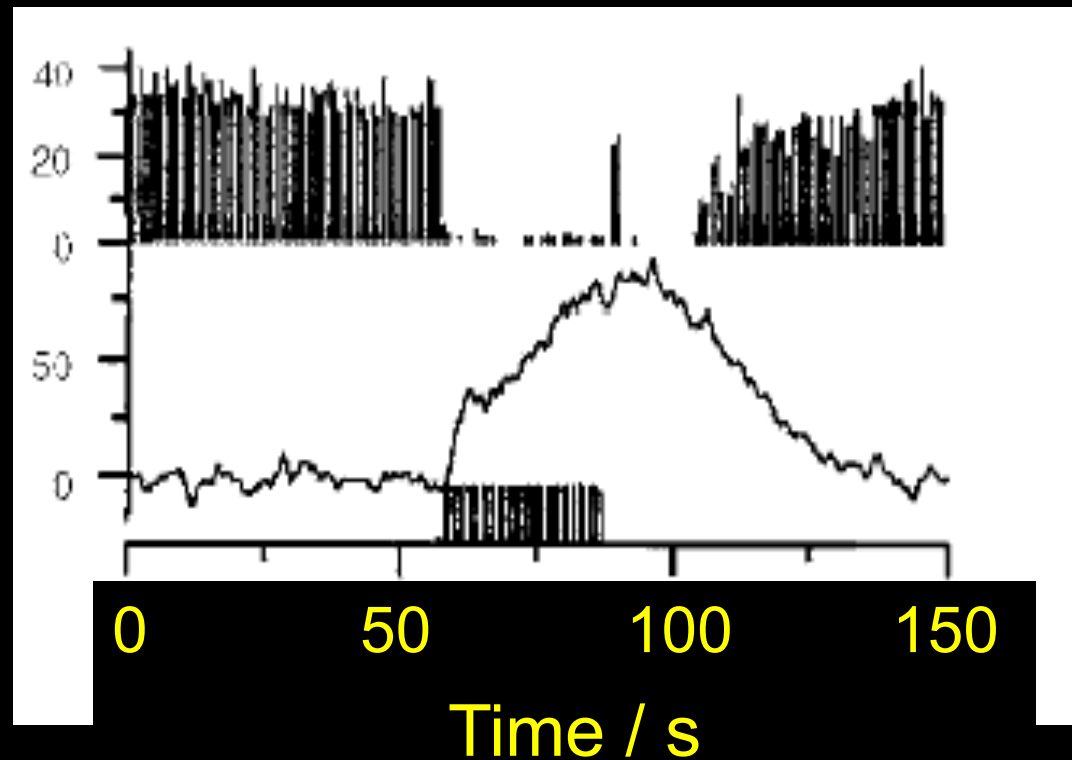
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**Figure 1. Schematic three-dimensional drawing of experimental set-up, including neurones of interest and position of laser Doppler probe, stimulating and recording electrodes**

The positions of the three cerebellar layers, molecular (Mol, with a thickness of 400  $\mu\text{m}$ ), Purkinje cell (PcL, about 100  $\mu\text{m}$ ) and granular (GrL, 400–500  $\mu\text{m}$ ), are indicated. The molecular layer contains granule cell axons, called parallel fibres, the dendrites of Purkinje cells, stellate cells (S) and basket cells (B). The granule cell layer contains granule cells (Gr) and Golgi cells (GC). The superficial parallel fibres were stimulated by a bipolar stimulating electrode, while climbing fibres (CF) were stimulated by a monopolar electrode lowered into the caudal part of the inferior olive (IO). Field potentials and single unit spikes activity were recorded with a glass microelectrode. CBF was recorded by a laser Doppler flowmetry (LDF) probe located 0.3–0.5 mm above the pial surface (Pia).

# Divergence of spike rate and blood flow during parallel fiber stimulation



Mathiesen, Caesar, Akgören, Lauritzen (1998), *J Physiol* 512.2:555-566

It gets more complicated...

# Context sensitivity of activity-dependent increases in cerebral blood flow

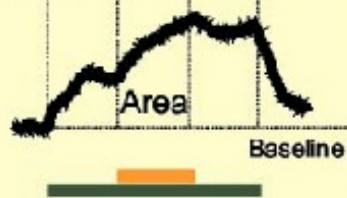
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## b Cerebral blood flow

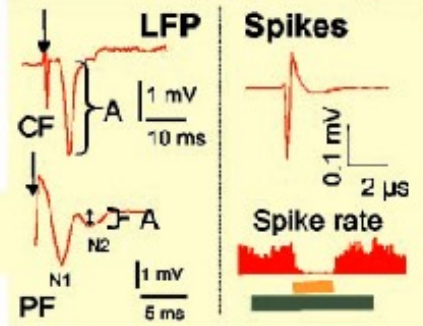
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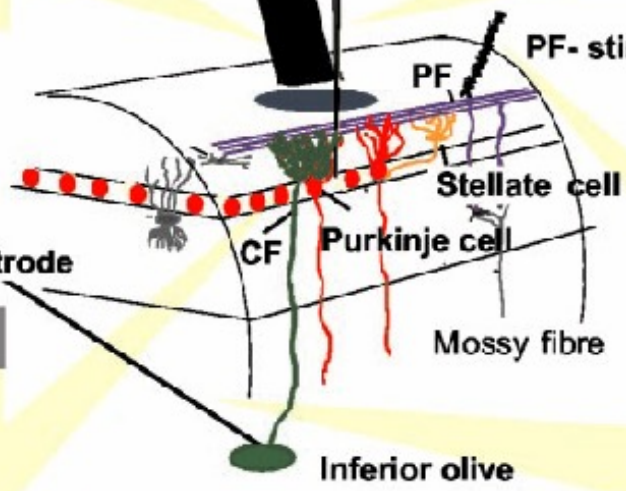
LDF-probe

Microelectrode

## c Electrophysiology

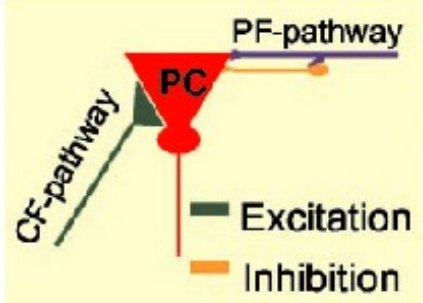


PF- stimulation electrode



CF- stimulation electrode

## a Networks



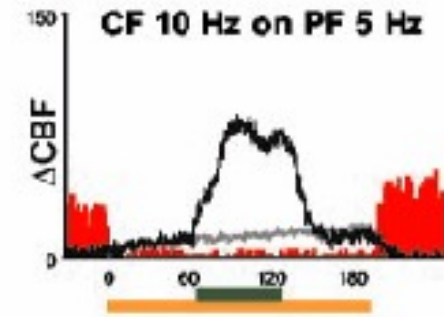
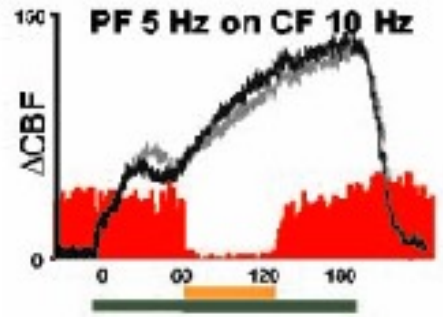
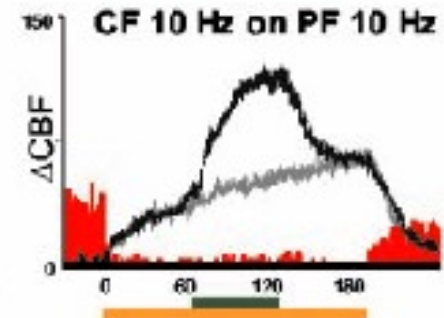
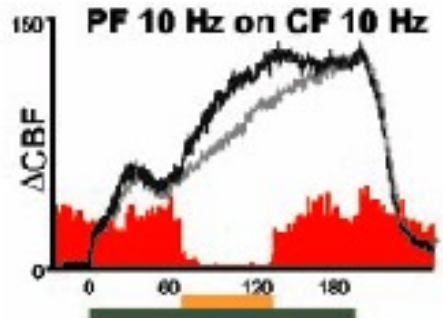
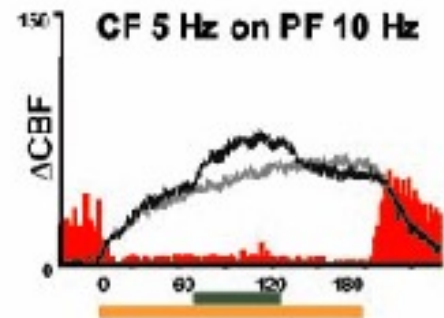
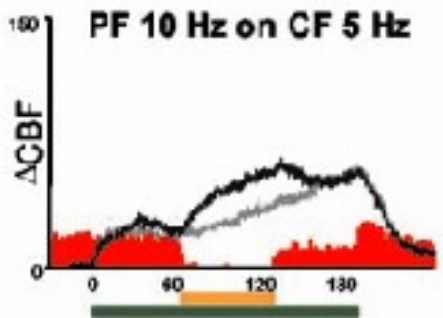
## d Stimulation Protocol



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### Inhibition on Excitation

### Excitation on Inhibition

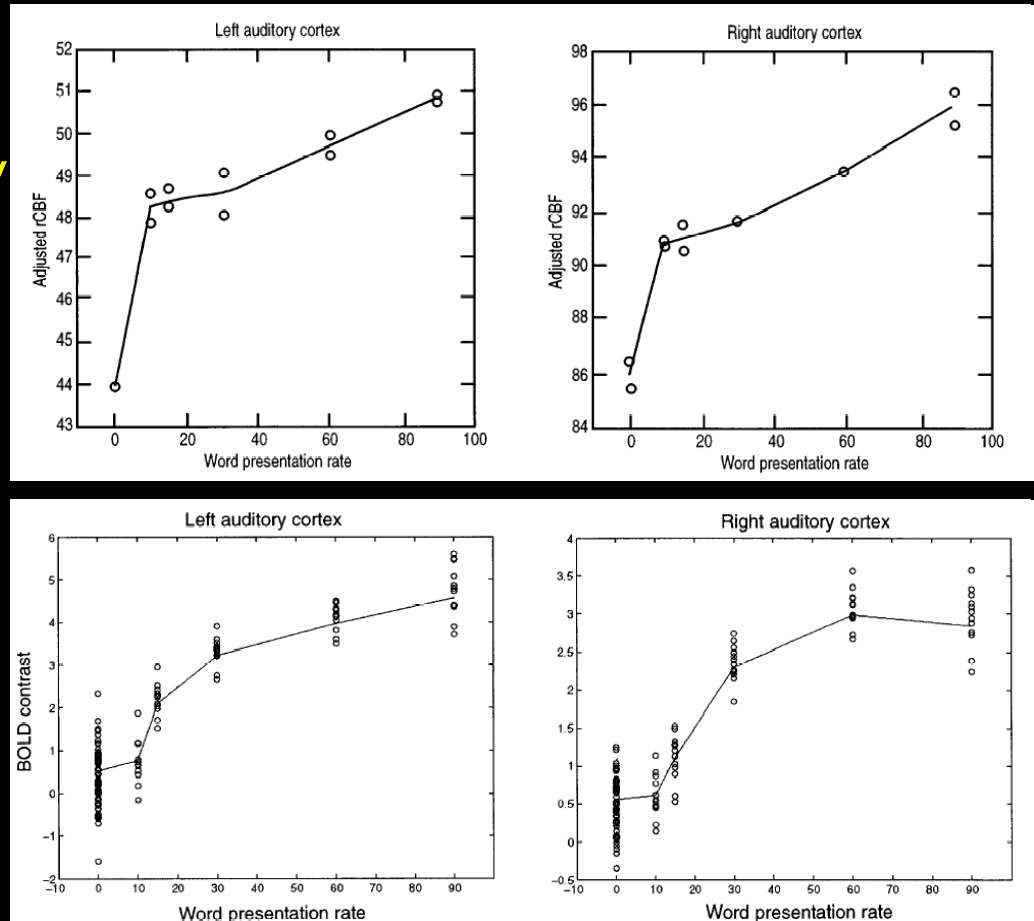


— CBF combined stimulation    — CBF control stimulation only  
— climbing fiber stimulation    — parallel fiber stimulation  
— Purkinje cell spiking activity

# Characterizing the Relationship between BOLD Contrast and Regional Cerebral Blood Flow Measurements by Varying the Stimulus Presentation Rate

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**Flow modulation is not necessarily the same as BOLD modulation**



# Mediators of neurovascular coupling

There is **not just one** coupling mechanism.

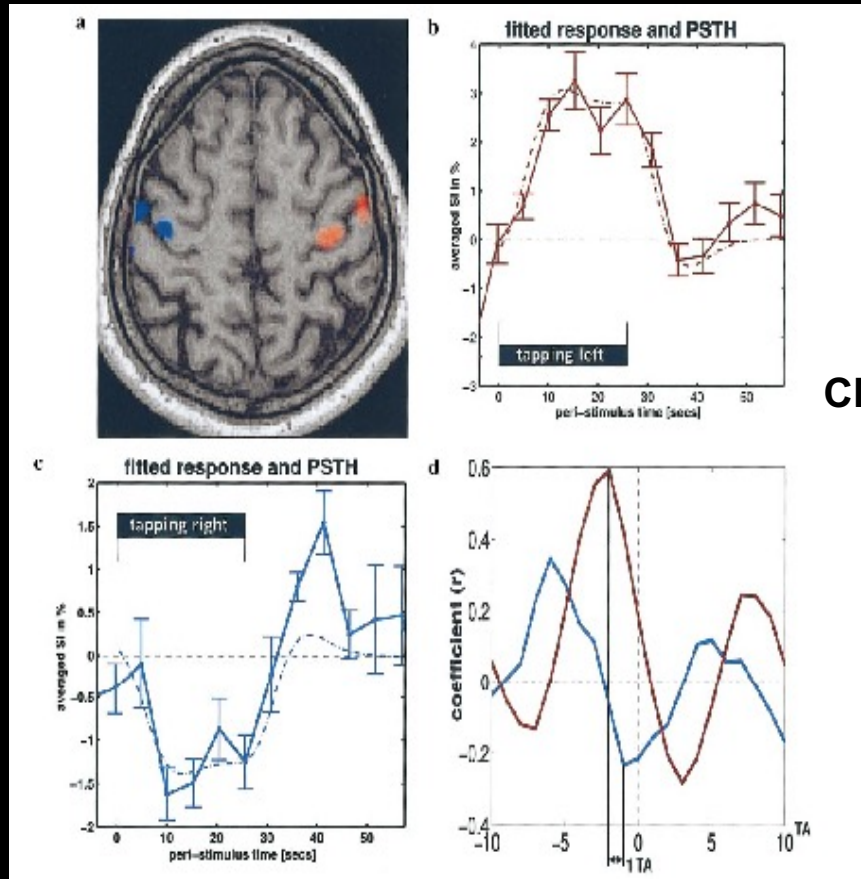
**NO** is a mediator in the cerebellar cortex, but only a permissive factor in the somatosensory cortex

**Astrocytes** may link synaptic activity to vascular response via Glutamate-induced Ca elevation and release of vasodilators at perivascular endfeets

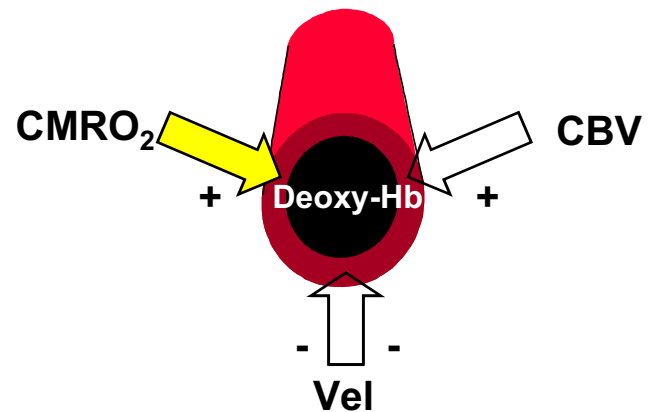
**Metabolic factors** (adenosine, pH, lactate, CO<sub>2</sub>) may act posthoc for finer long-term adjustment (not much relevance for BOLD!?)



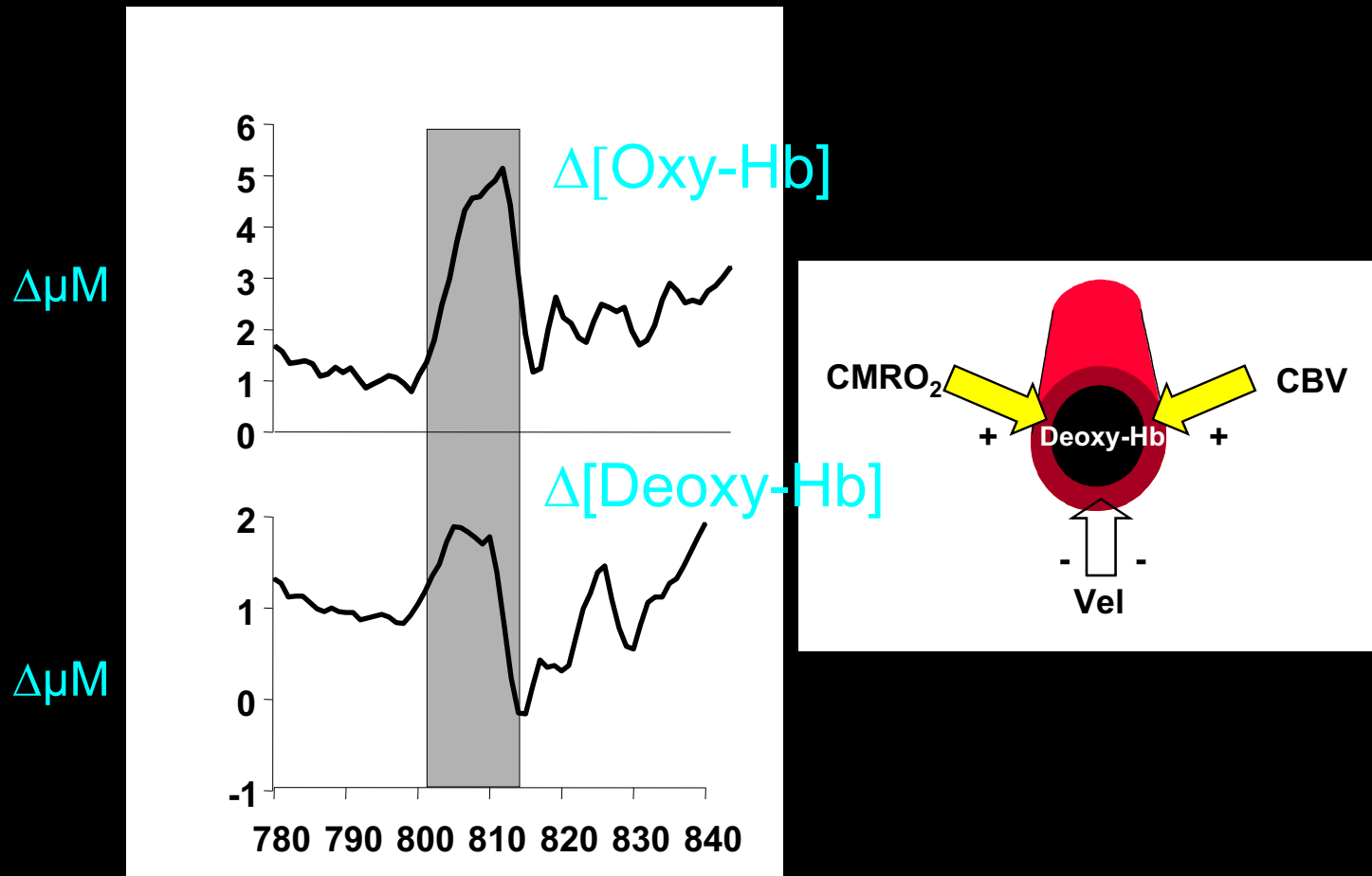
# Negative BOLD in carotid artery disease



Röther et al. NeuroImage 2002



# Increase in deoxy-Hb and oxy-Hb during focal seizure



# Altered neurovascular coupling: Pathology, drugs

<b>Pathologic state / Drug</b>	<b>Reference</b>
Carotid occlusion	Röther et al. 2002
Transient global ischemia	Schmitz et al. 1998
Penumbra of cerebral ischemia	Mies et al. 1993, Wolf et al. 1997
Subarachnoid hemorrhage	Dreier et al. 2000
Trauma	Richards et al. 2001
Epilepsy	Fink et al. 1996, Brühl et al. 1998, von Pannwitz et al. 2002
Alzheimer's disease	Hock et al. 1996, Niwa et al. 2000
Theophylline	Ko et al. 1990, Dirnagl et al. 1994
Scopolamine	Tsukada et al. 1998

BOLD correlates with de-synchronization of MEG signal ...

## Task-Related Changes in Cortical Synchronization Are Spatially Coincident with the Hemodynamic Response

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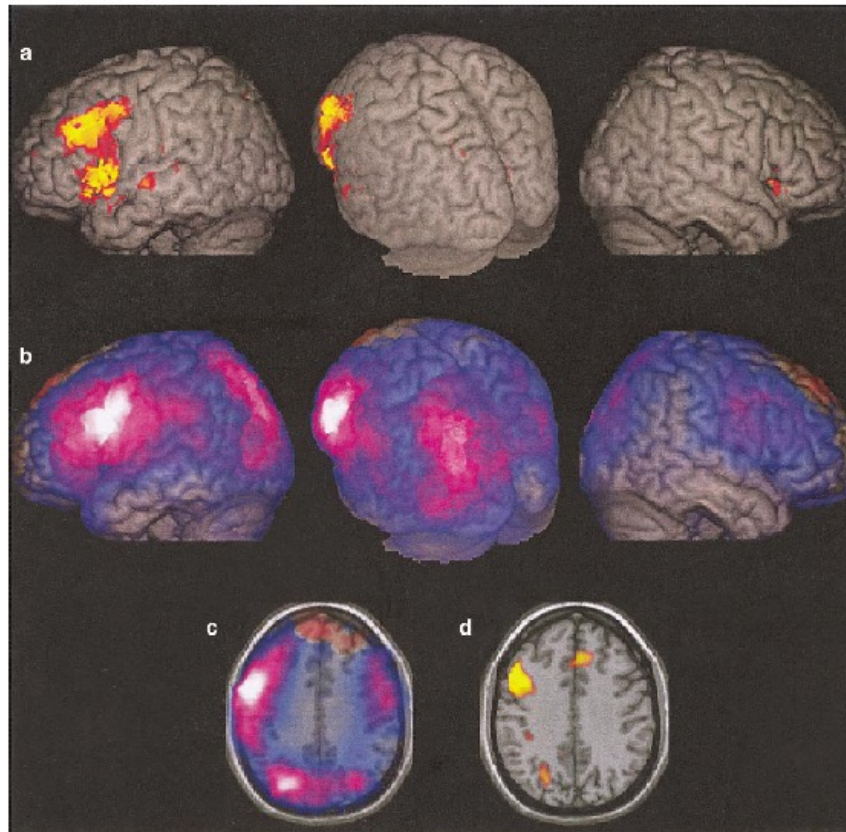
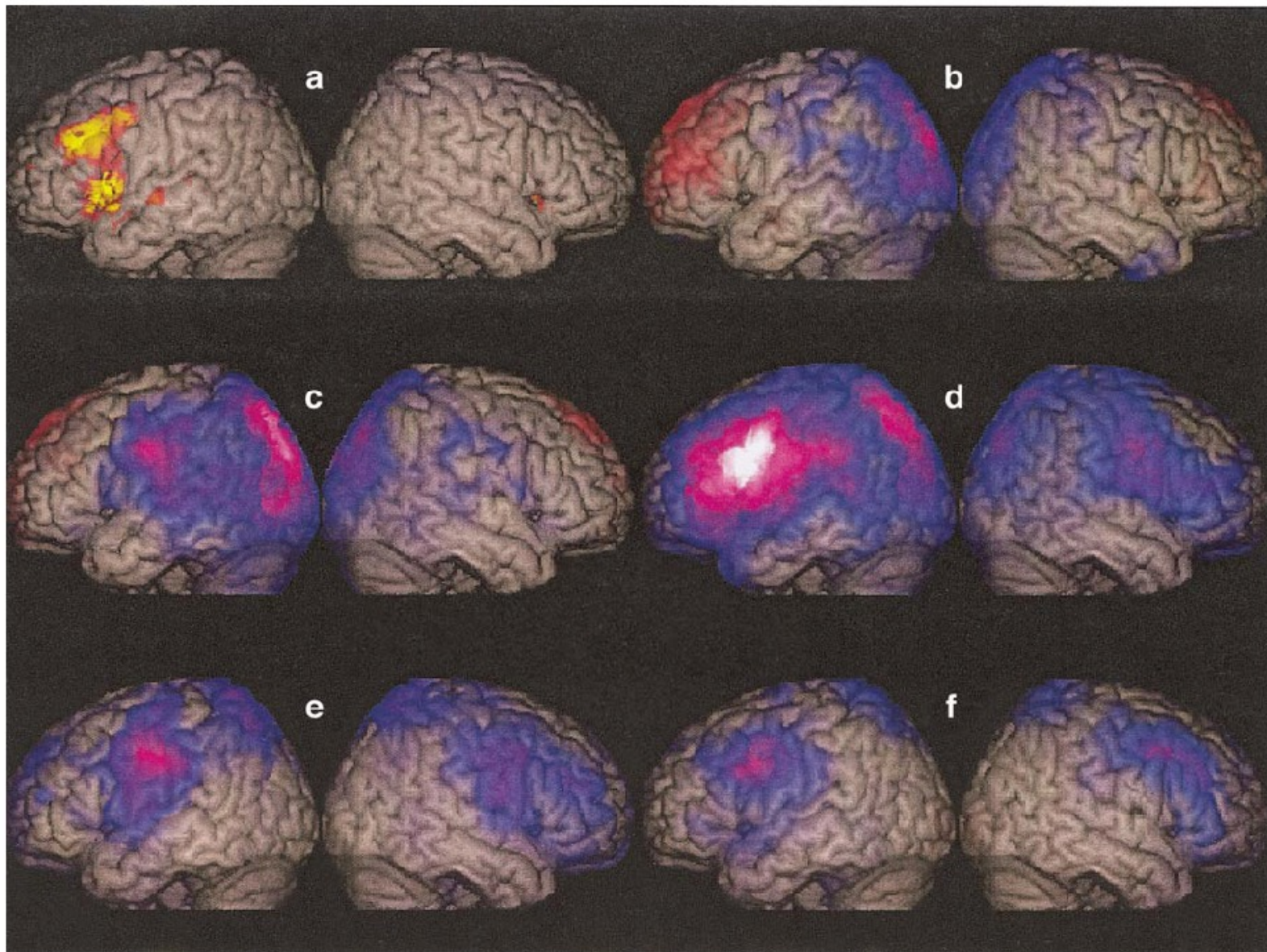


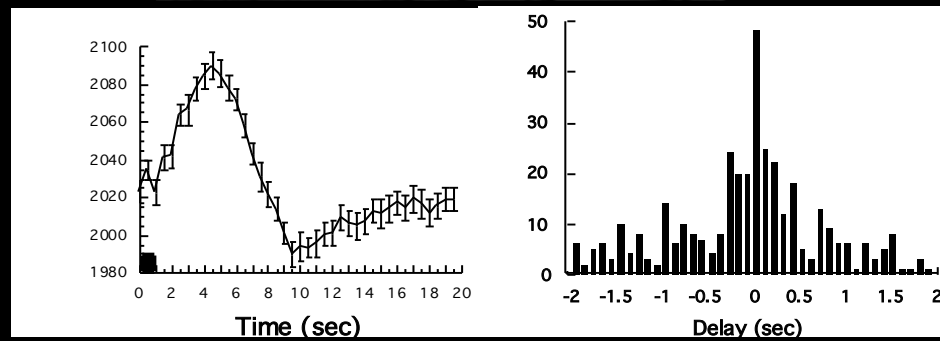
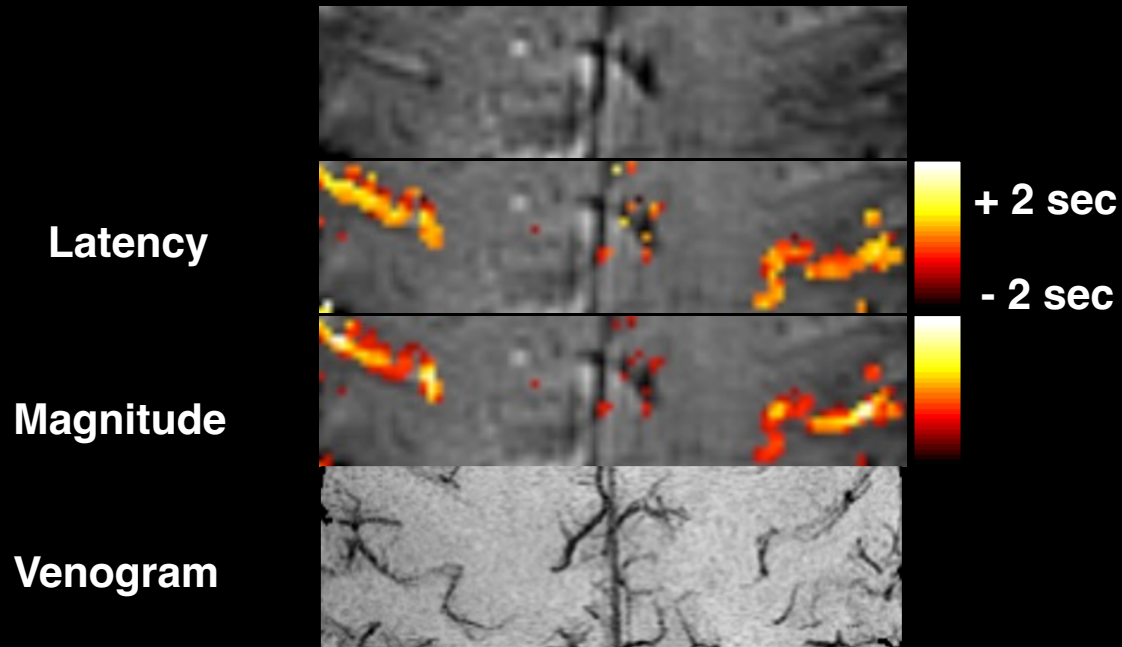
FIG. 2. The results of the group fMRI experiment and the group MEG experiment for the letter fluency task, superimposed on a template brain. The color scales are as described in the legend of Fig. 1. (a) Group fMRI data. Only those clusters significant at  $P < 0.05$  (corrected) are shown. (b) The peak group SAM image. This shows the peak power increase or decrease at each voxel in the brain, irrespective of which frequency band the power change occurred in. This image can be thought of as an amalgam of Figs. 1b to 1f. (c) The peak group SAM data superimposed on a slice through the template brain at an MNI Z coordinate of +36. The image shows bilateral, but strongly left biased, activation within the dorsolateral prefrontal cortex (DLPFC) and posterior parietal cortex. (d) The group fMRI data superimposed on the  $Z = +36$  slice. Note the left DLPFC and left posterior parietal activation which match the group SAM results. However, there is also a small cluster in a more anterior portion of the parietal lobe, and another in the medial frontal gyri, which are visible in the group fMRI data but not in the group MEG data.



**FIG. 1.** The results of the group fMRI experiment and the group MEG experiment for the covert letter fluency task, superimposed on a template brain. (a) Group fMRI data. Only those clusters significant at  $P < 0.05$  (corrected) are shown. The red–orange–yellow color scale depicts increasing BOLD amplitude. (b–f) The results of the group SAM analysis of the MEG data. Increases in signal power in the Active phase, compared to the Passive baseline are shown using a red–orange–yellow color scale. Decreases in signal power in the Active phase are shown using a blue–purple–white color scale. The power changes are in the following frequency bands (b) 1–10 Hz; (c) 5–15 Hz; (d) 15–25 Hz; (e) 25–35 Hz; and (f) 35–45 Hz.

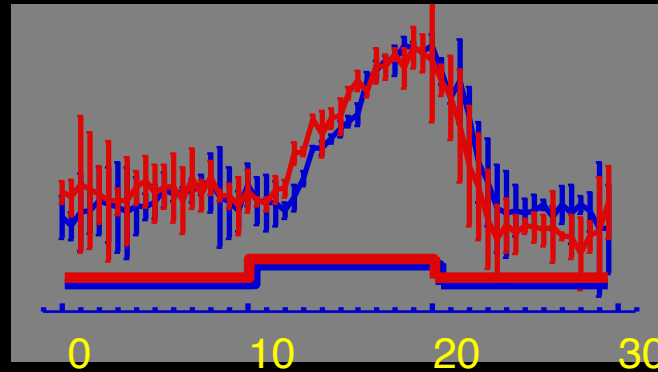
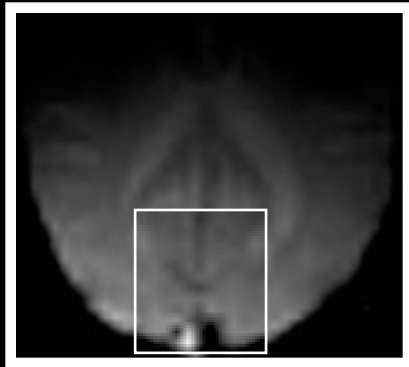
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# Timing Modulation (calibration)



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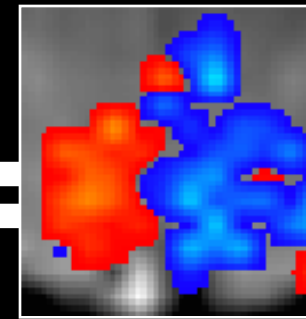
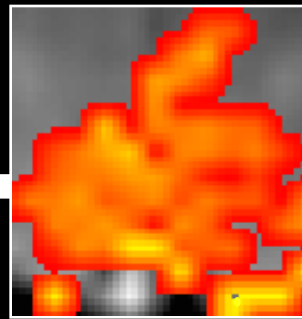
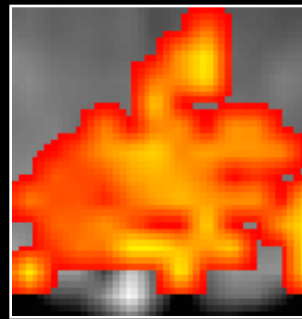
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Right Hemifield

Left Hemifield

+ 2.5 s  
0 s  
- 2.5 s



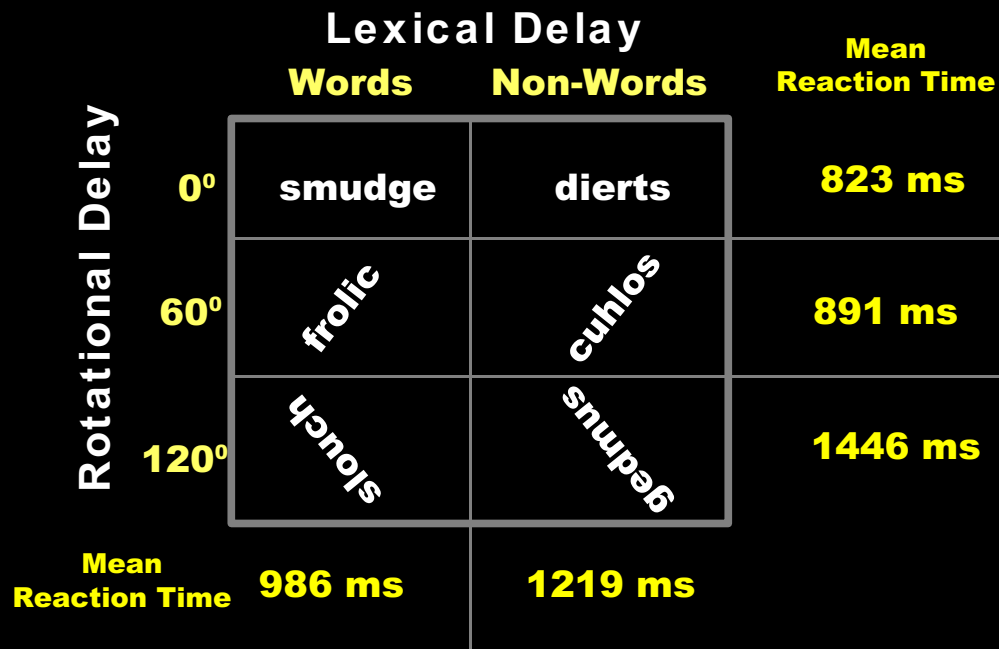
# Understanding neural system dynamics through task modulation and measurement of functional MRI amplitude, latency, and width

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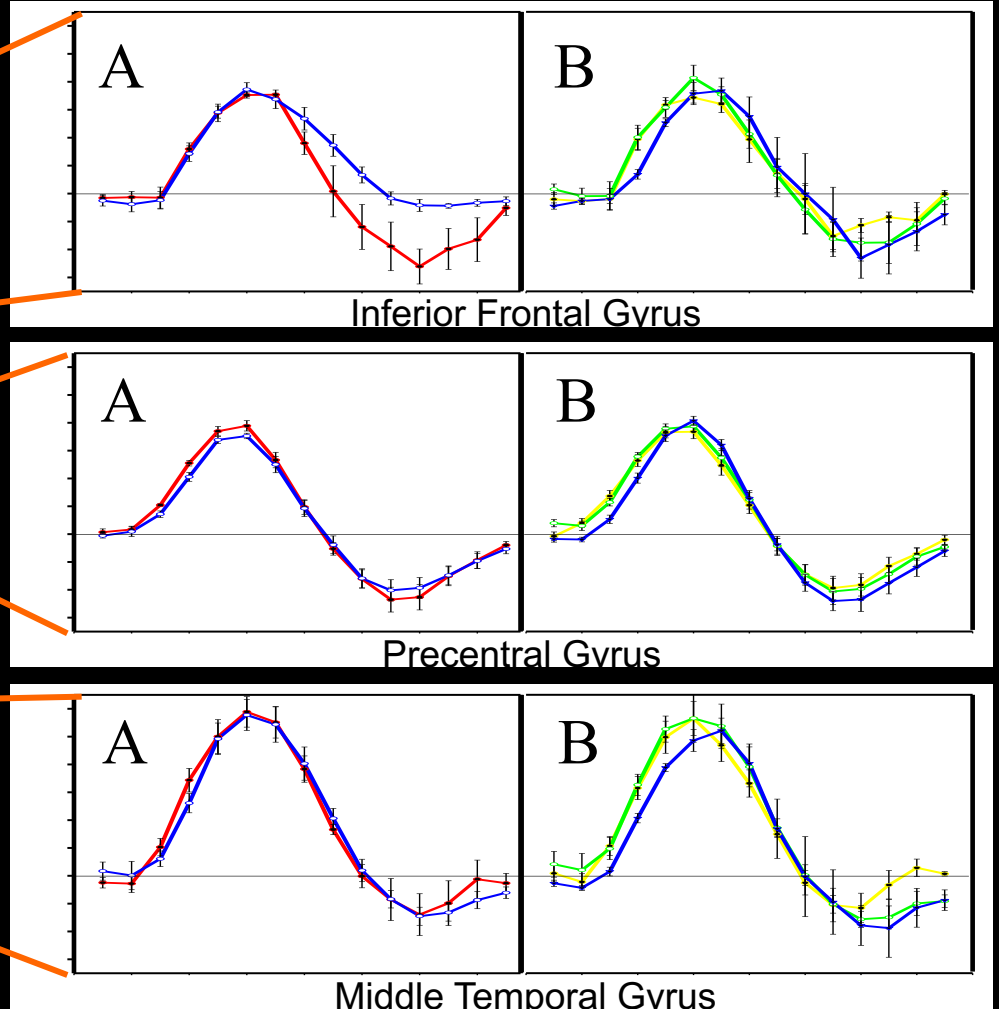
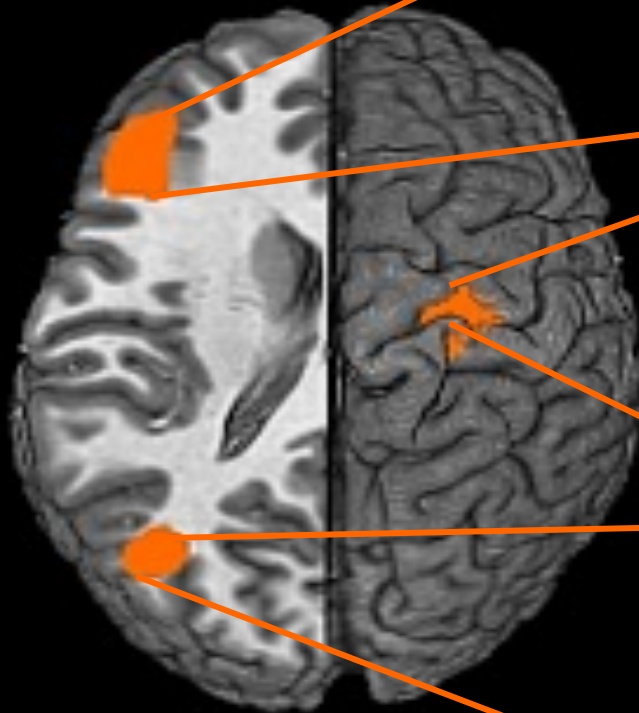
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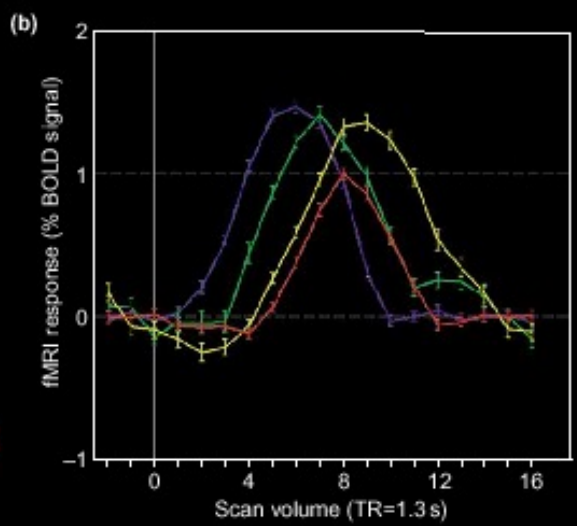
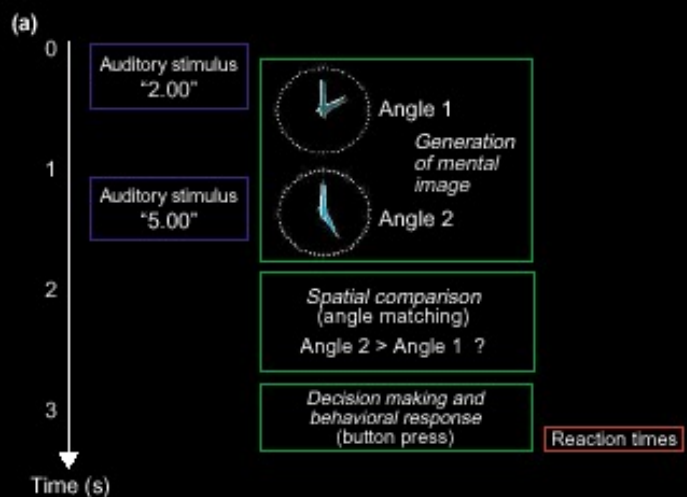
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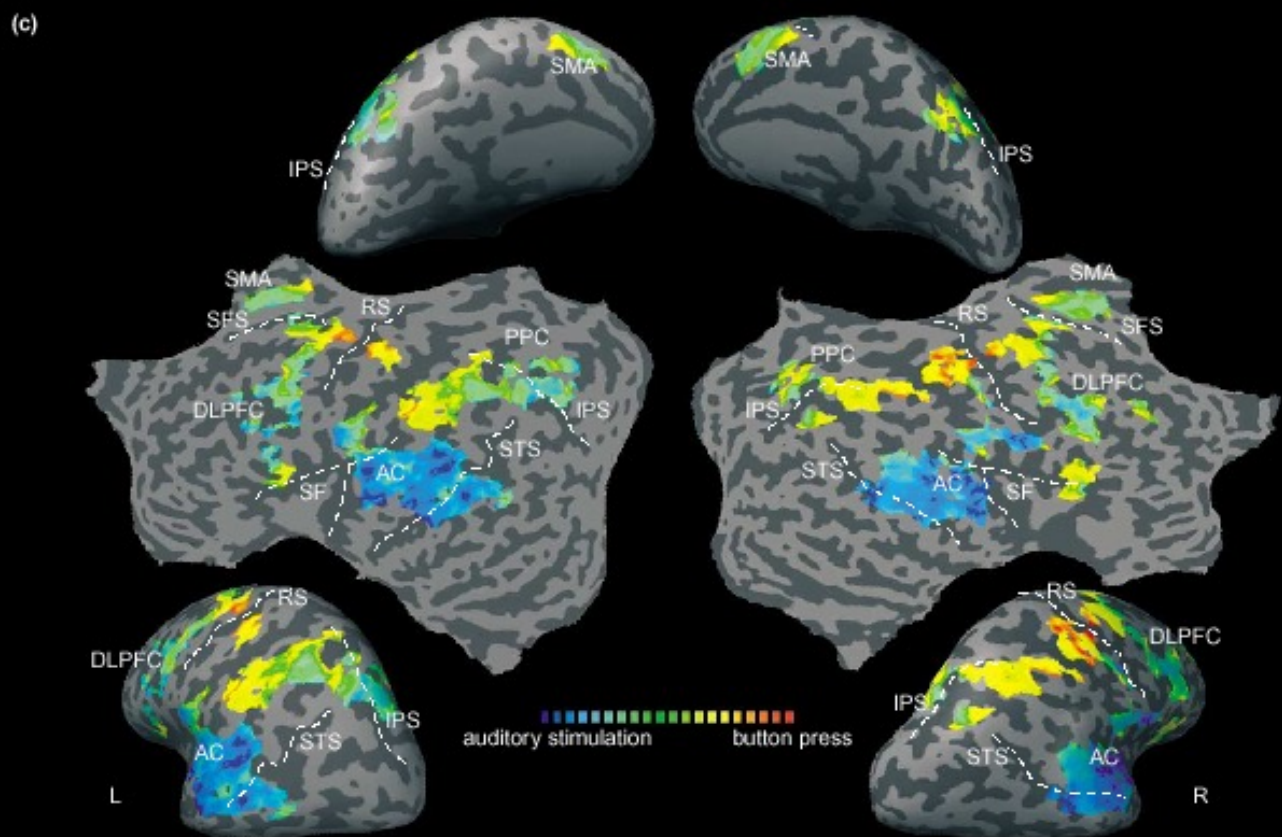
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**Regions of Interest**





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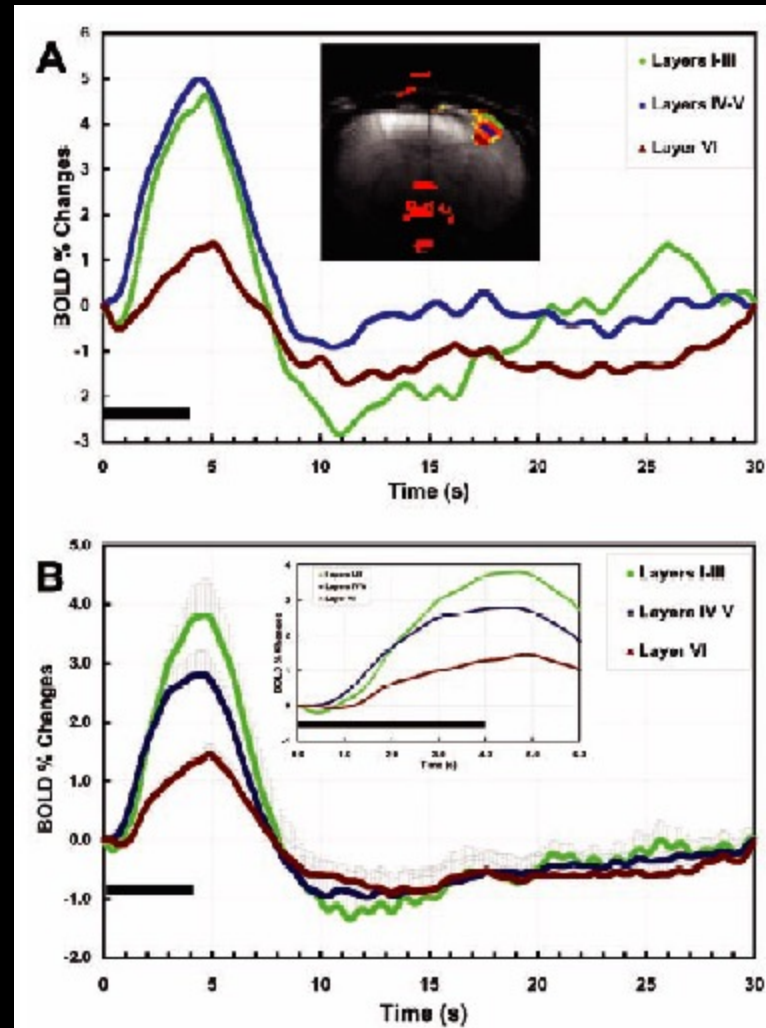
# Laminar specificity of functional MRI onset times during somatosensory stimulation in rat

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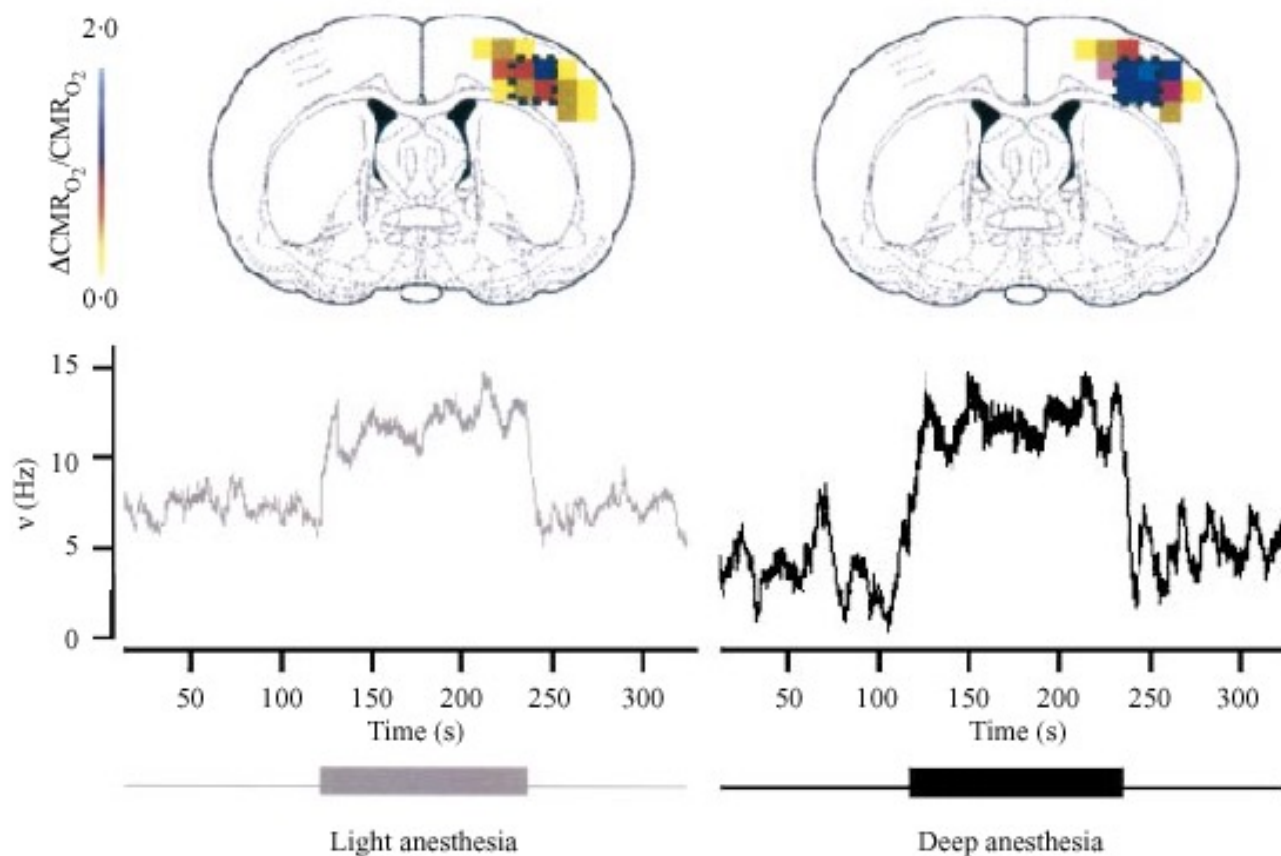
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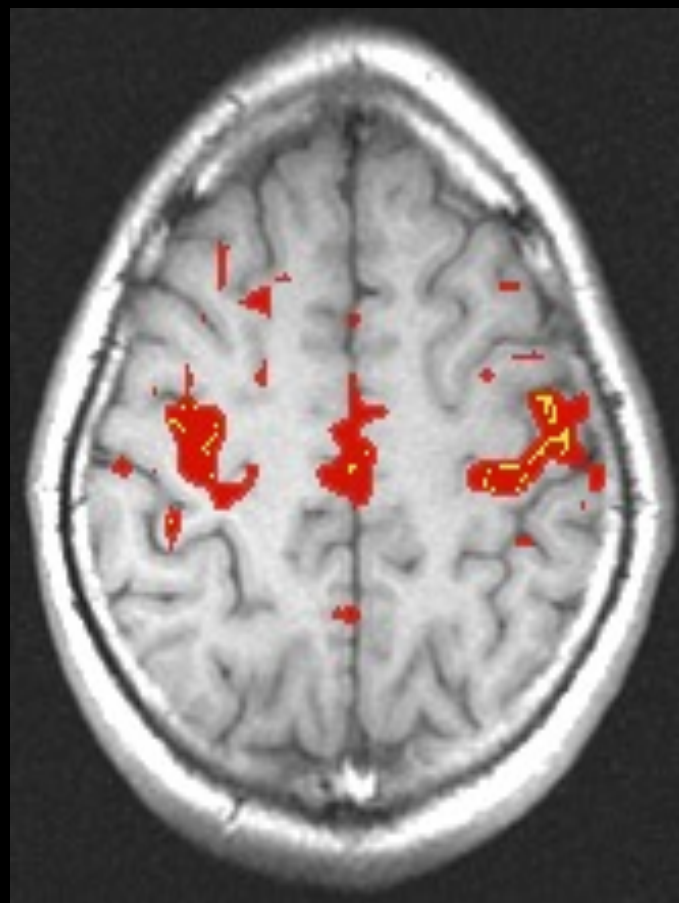
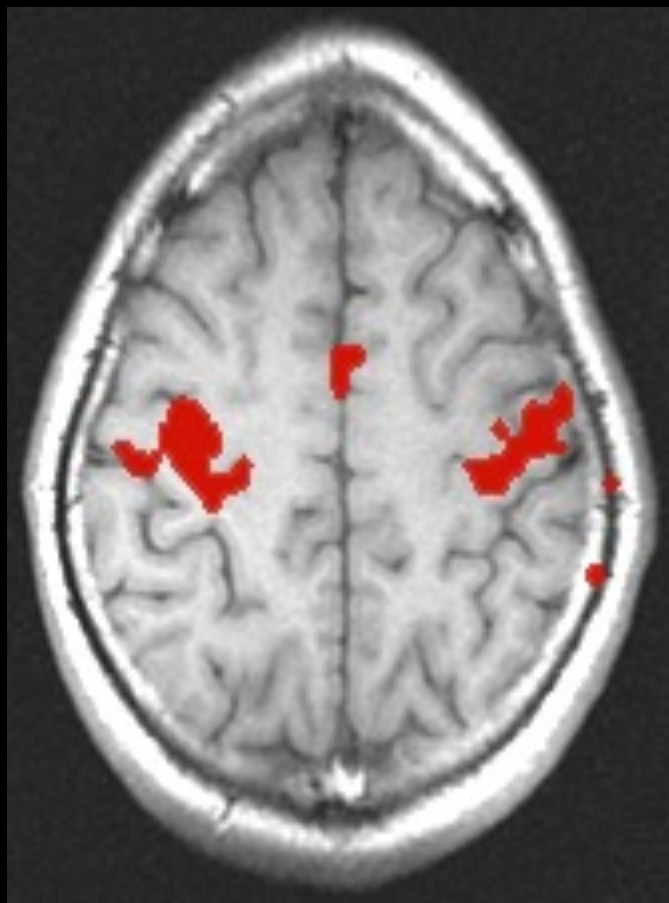
## Biophysical basis of brain activity: implications for neuroimaging

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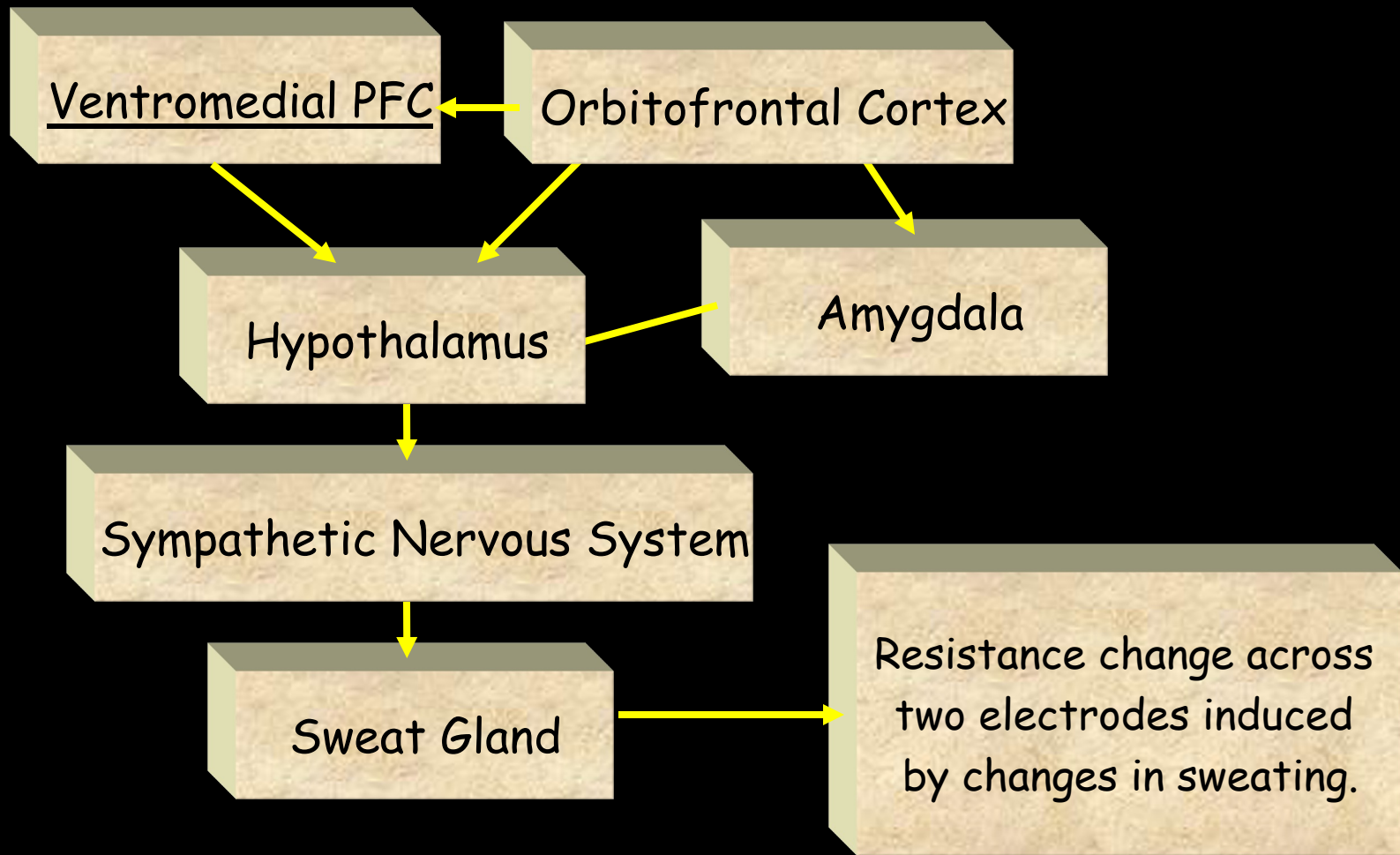
## Resting State Fluctuations



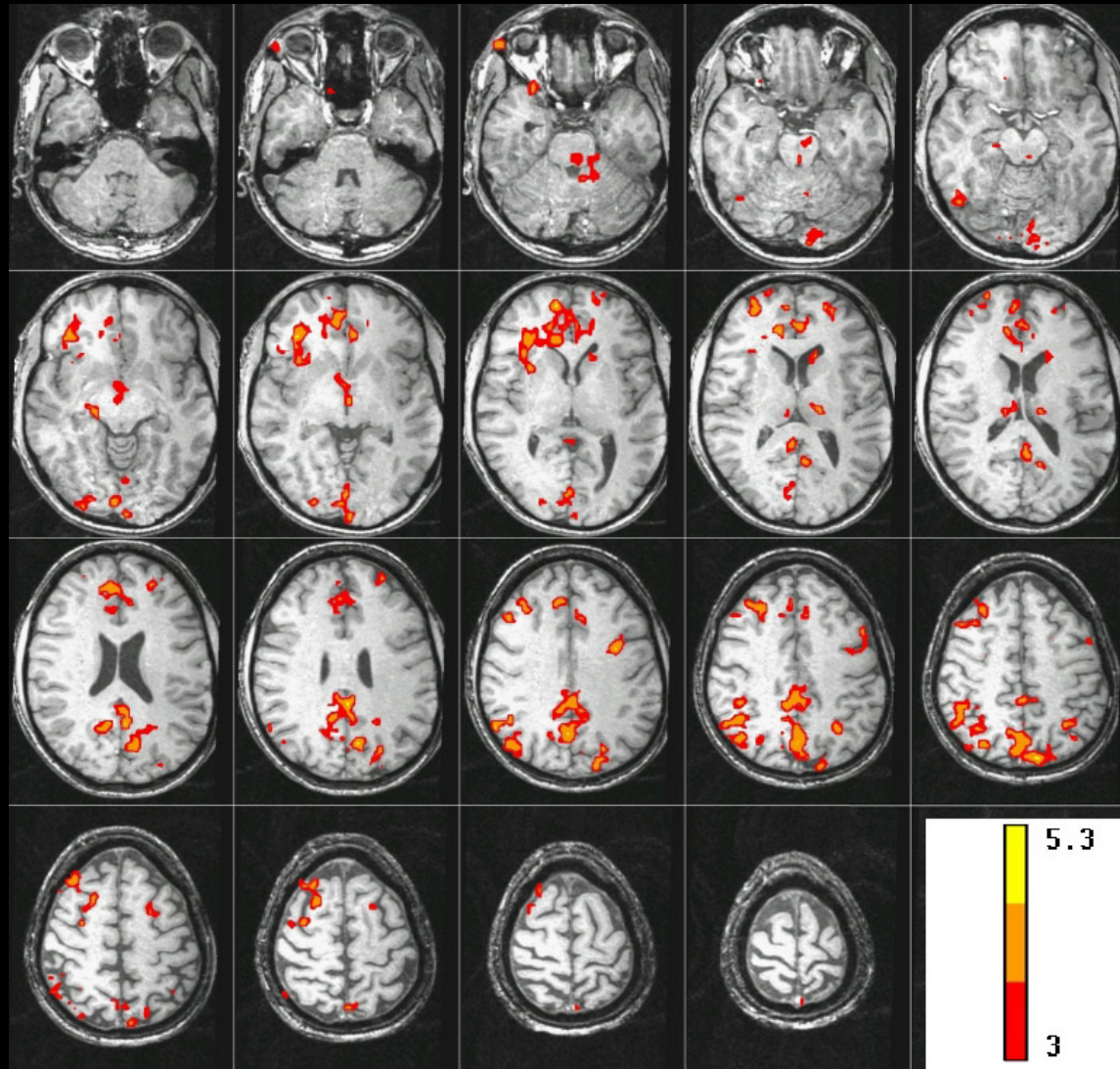
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## The Skin Conductance Response (SCR)



# Brain activity correlated with SCR during “Rest”



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# Simultaneous EEG and fMRI of the alpha rhythm

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