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Rehabilitation in Multiple Sclerosis -

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Major topic 2: “Towards evidence-based motor system regeneration”

Fundamentals in neurosciences & implications for rehabilitation

What can we learn from system neurosciences (fMRI, TMS)?

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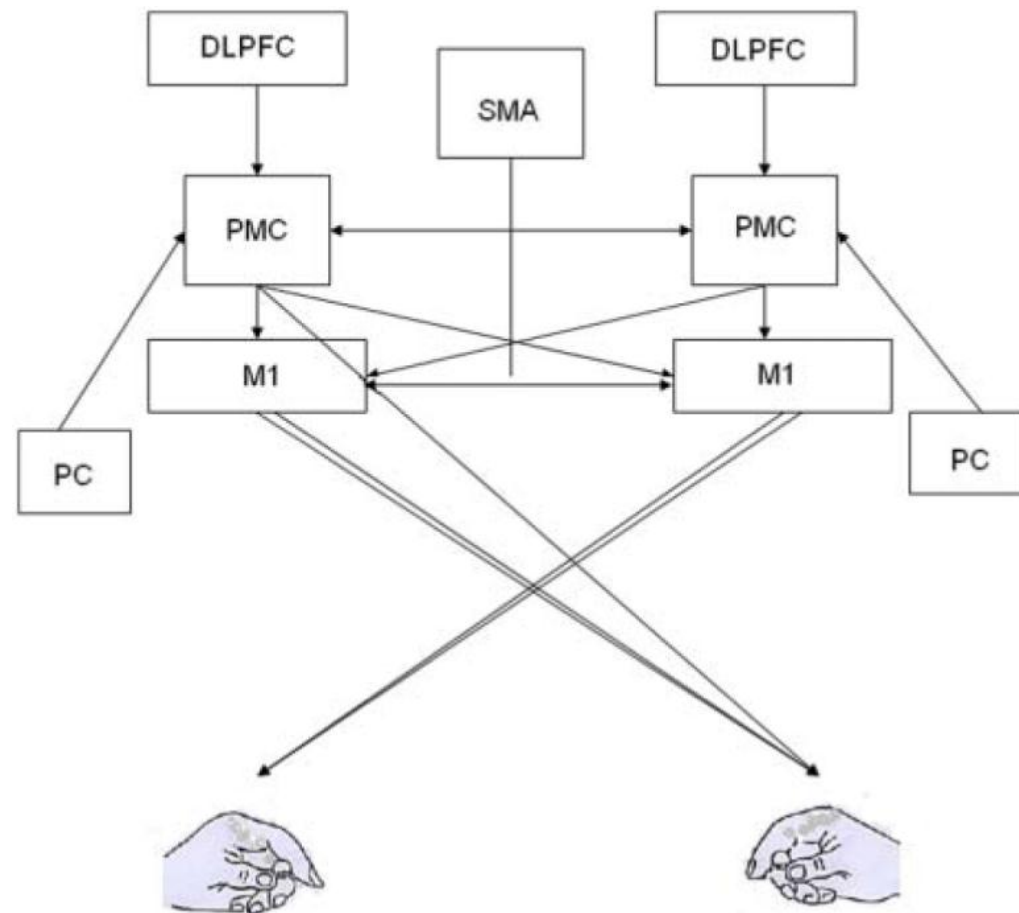
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❖ The control and execution of motor behavior (e.g., reach, grasp etc.) is represented by a cortical network of primary and secondary motor areas

❖ This network has the potential to reorganize after focal lesions or structural changes

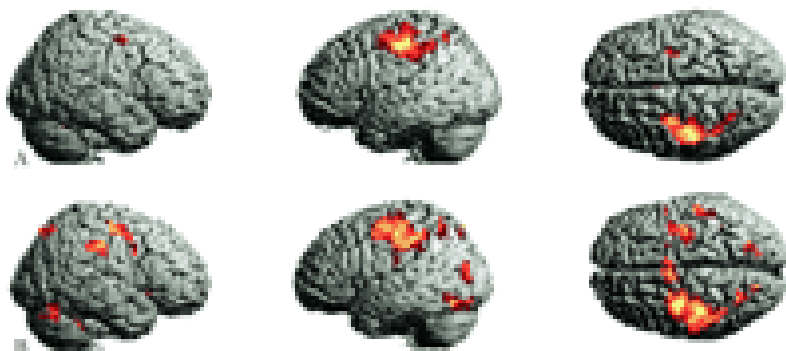
❖ How can systems neuroscience help to understand reorganization, functional relevance, prediction of recovery or select therapeutic interventions



- ❖ Representation of unimanual movements in healthy subjects and in patients
- ❖ What is the functional meaning of activation patterns in healthy subjects and in patients
- ❖ Can we potentially predict recovery patterns and processes
- ❖ Can systems neuroscience provide a basis for patient-individualized treatments?

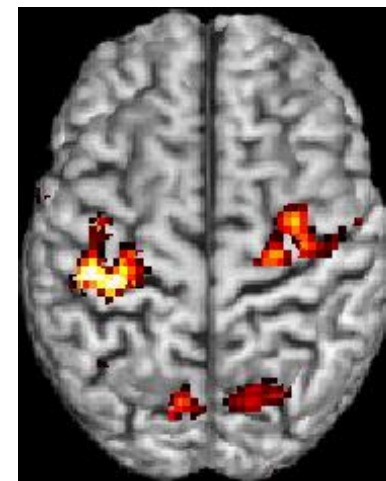
Representation of unimanual movements in healthy subjects and in patients

Healthy subjects



fMRI activation in young and old healthy subjects during a right-hand, motor task (Mattay et al. 2002, Ward et al. 2006, Sailer et al. 2000)

Stroke



fMRI activation in chronic stroke patients during a right-hand, motor task (Lotze et al. 2006, Ward et al. 2003, Grefkes et al. 2008)

MS

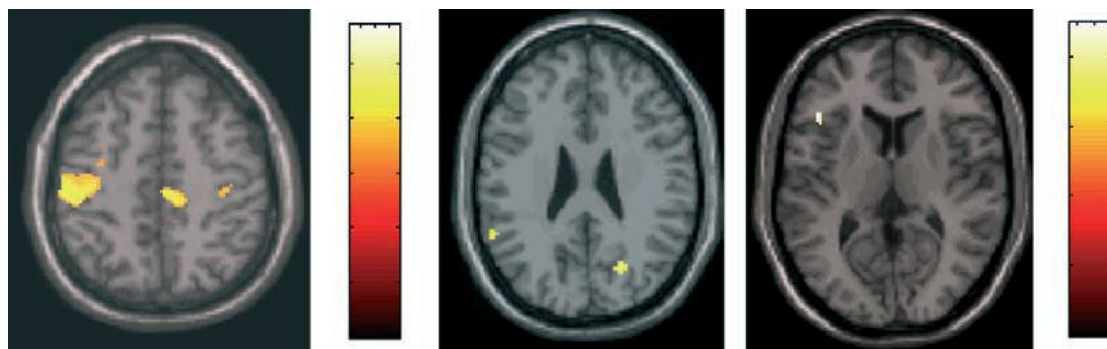
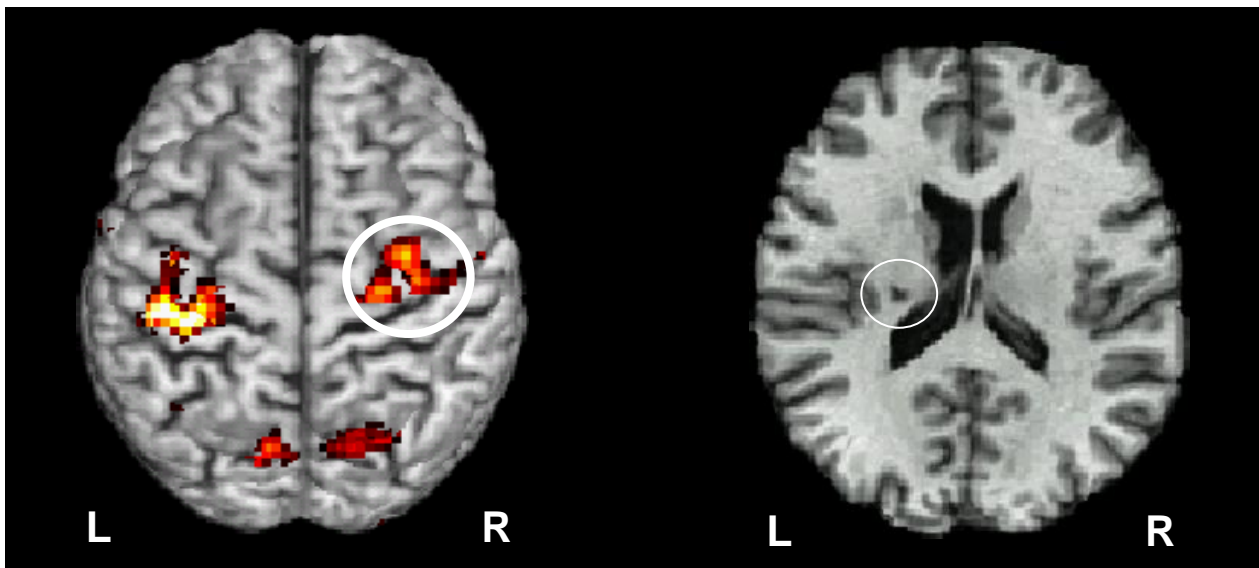


Figure 3: Comparisons of patients with RRMS without disability and patients with RRMS with mild disability during a simple, right-hand, motor task (Rocca et al. 2005, Pantano et al. 2002)

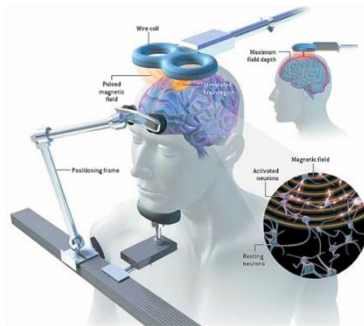
- Have cortical areas that are active during functional neuroimaging a causal link to a certain function?



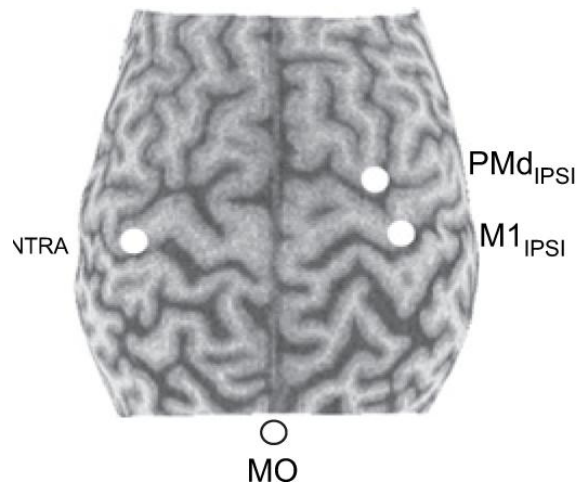
Functional role of ipsilateral motor areas in multiple sclerosis

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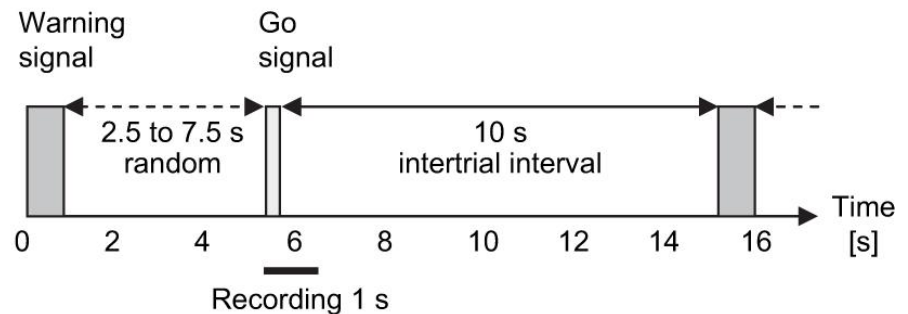
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- n=26 MS, 26 controls
- Virtual lesion TMS approach
- neuronavigated



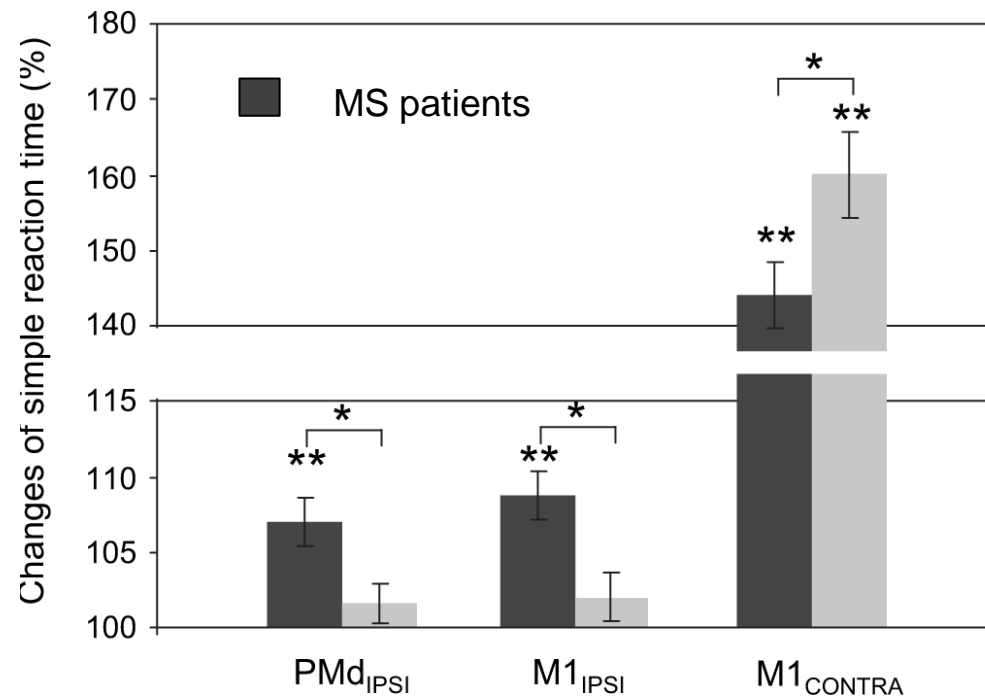
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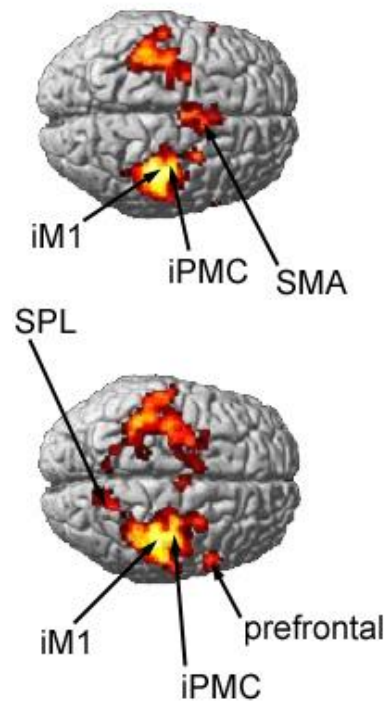
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Disturbance of the ipsilateral M1, PMd led to impaired reaction times

- preparation and execution of complex movement sequences?

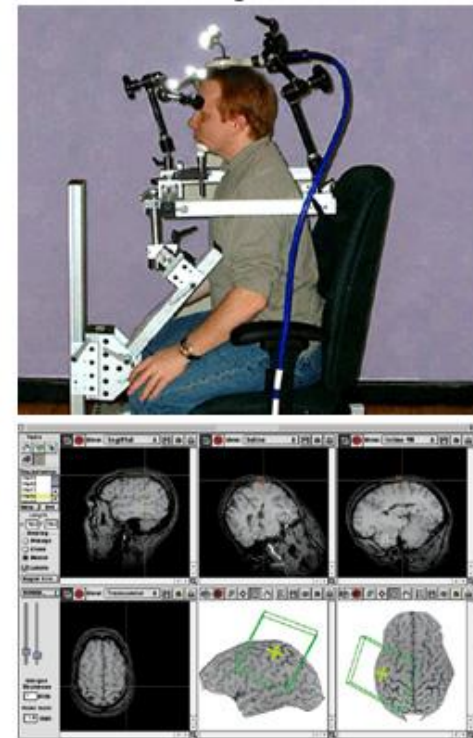
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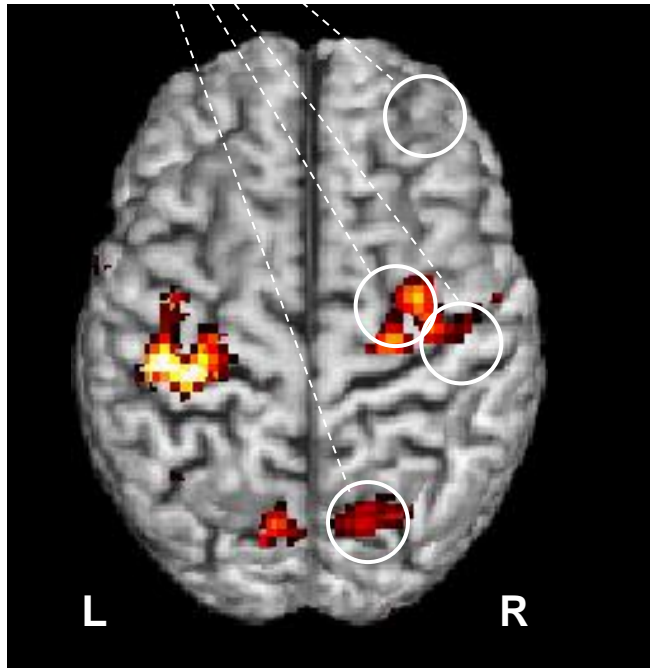
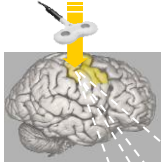


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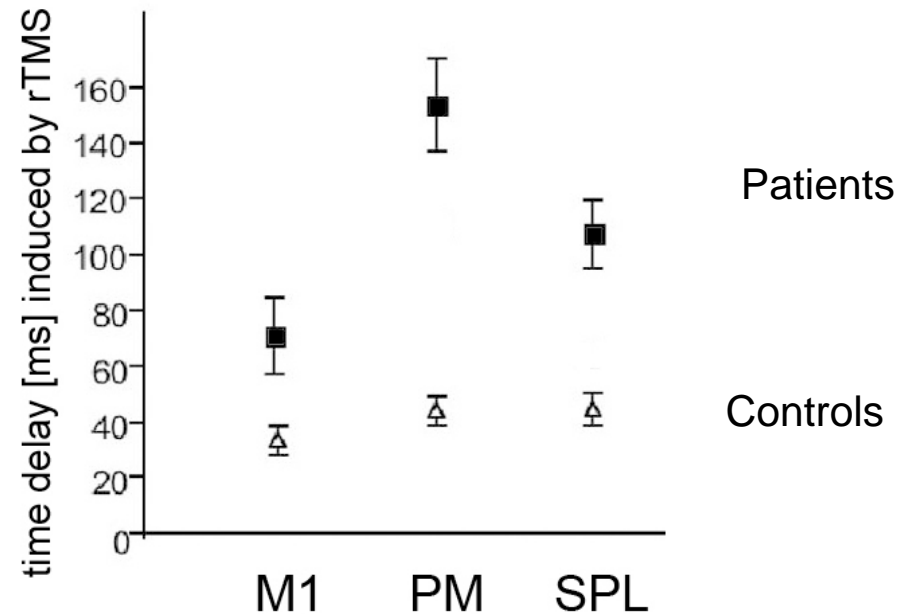
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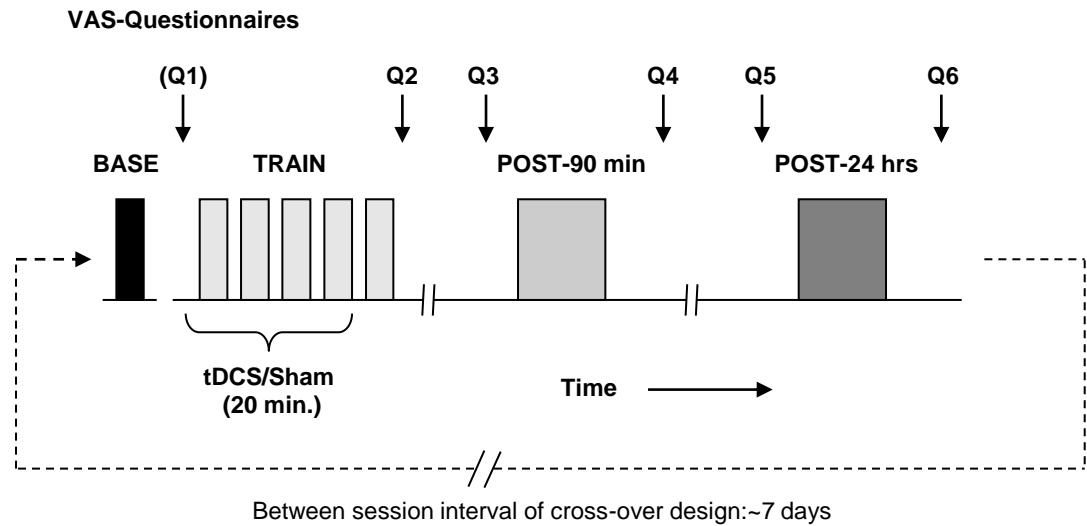
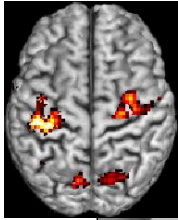


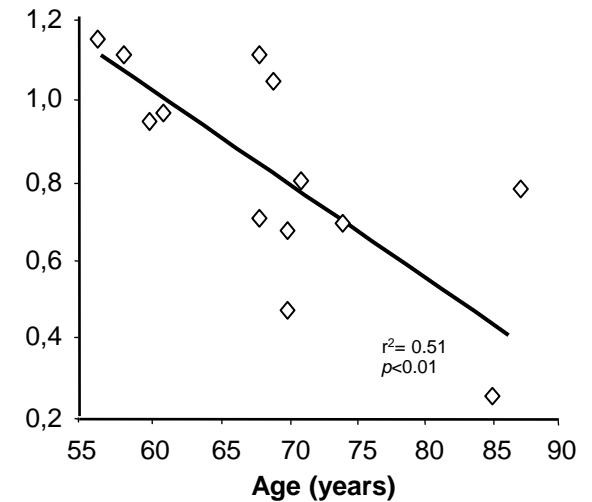
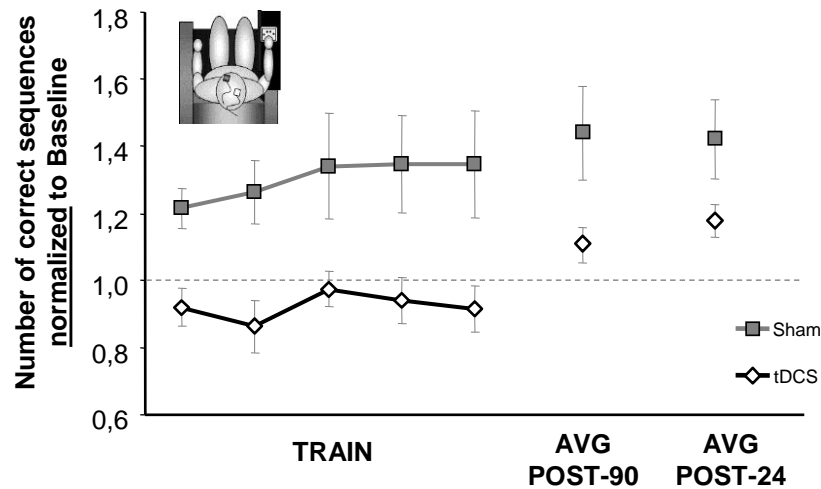
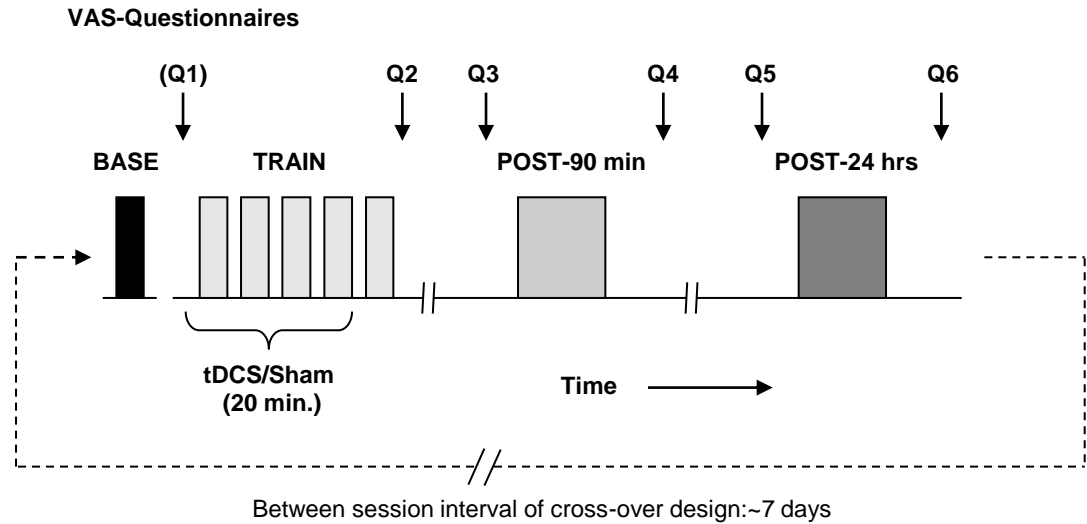
Individual Patient-Data
(fMRI during a motor fingersequence)

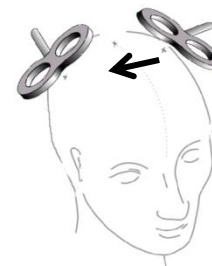
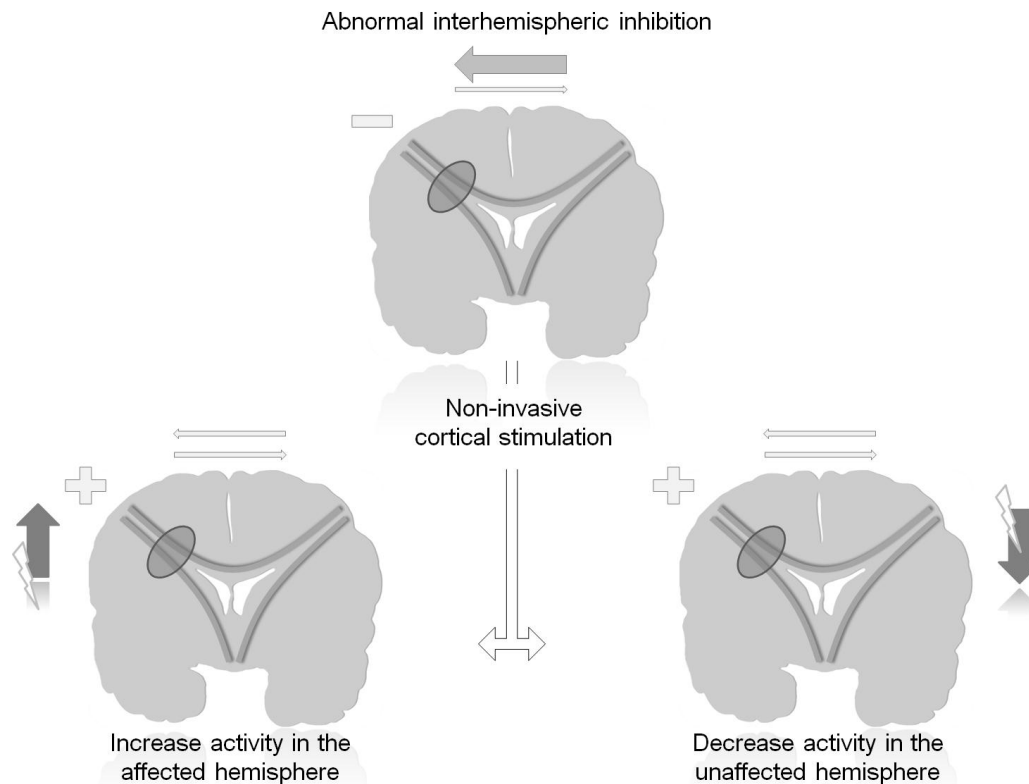
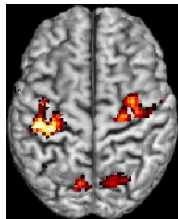
Virtual Lesion Approach



Functional relevance of secondary motor areas

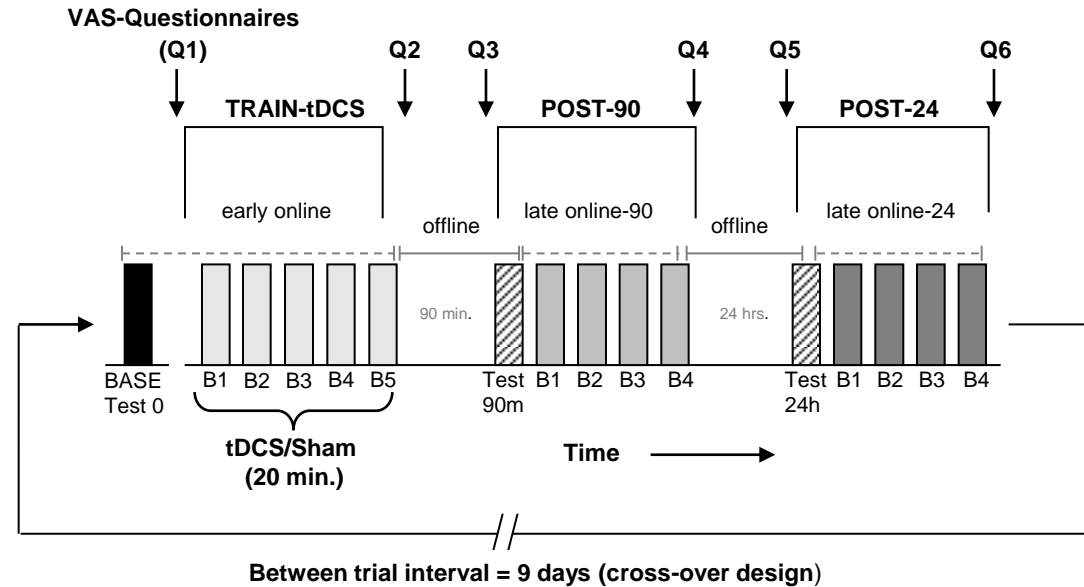




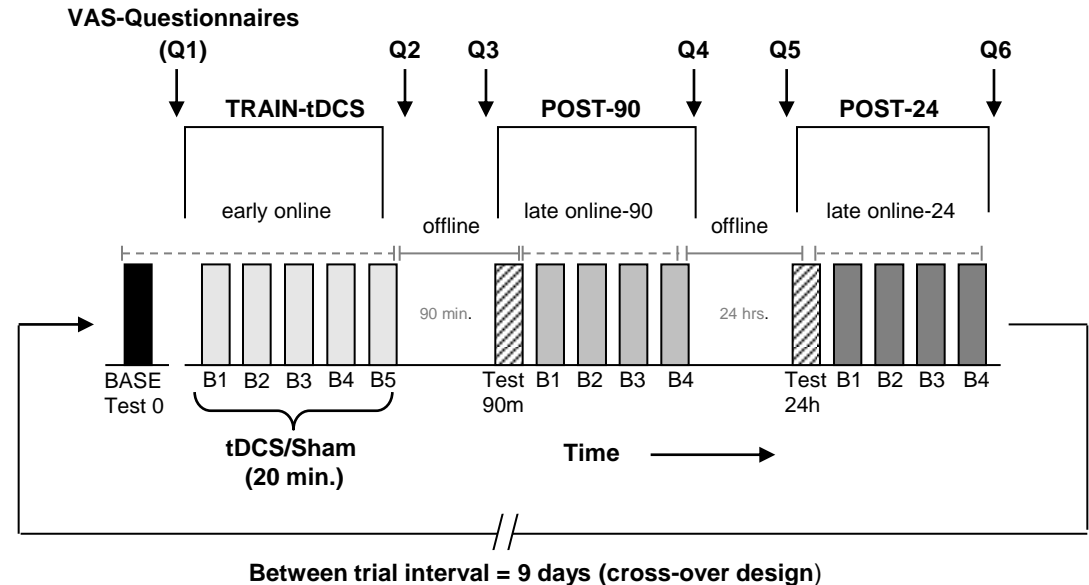




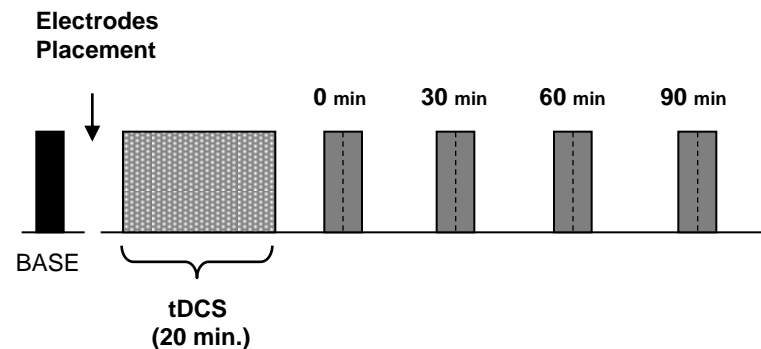
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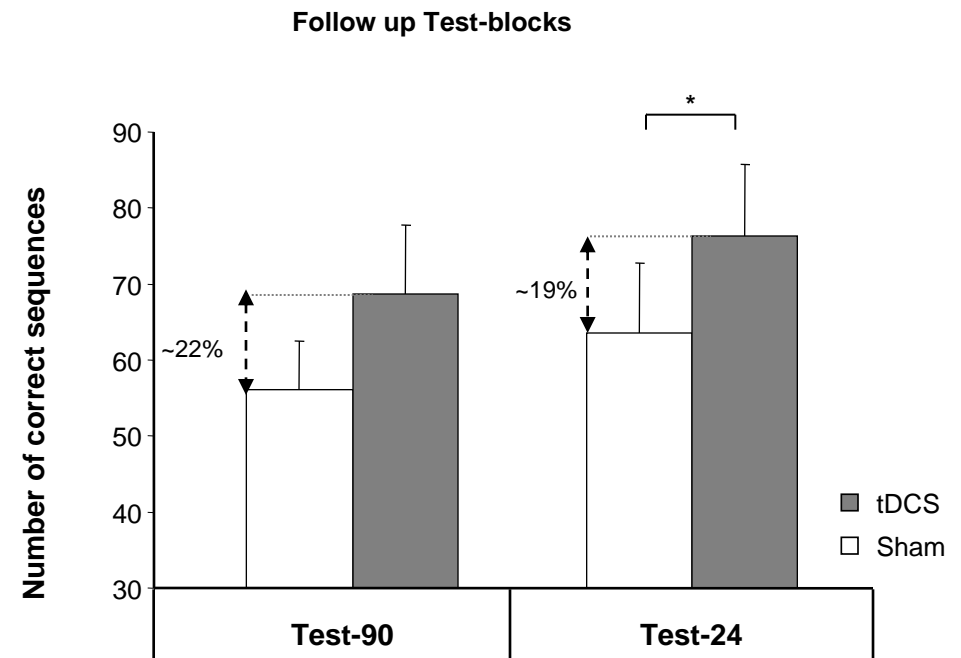


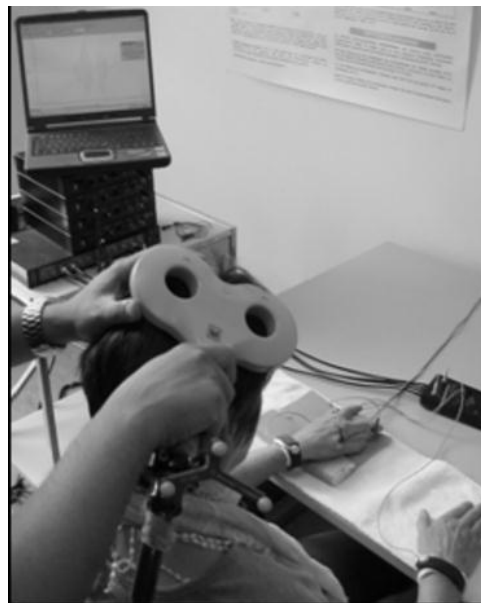
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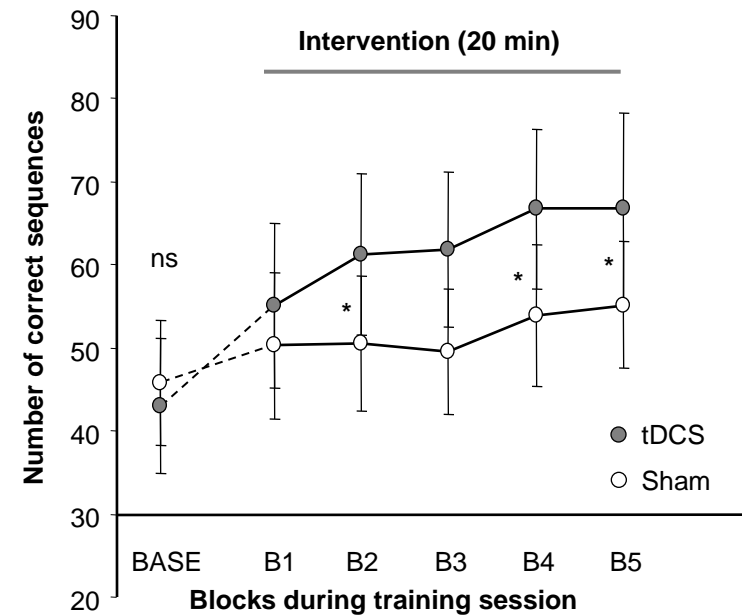
B. Neurophysiological measurements– Motor cortex excitability changes at rest



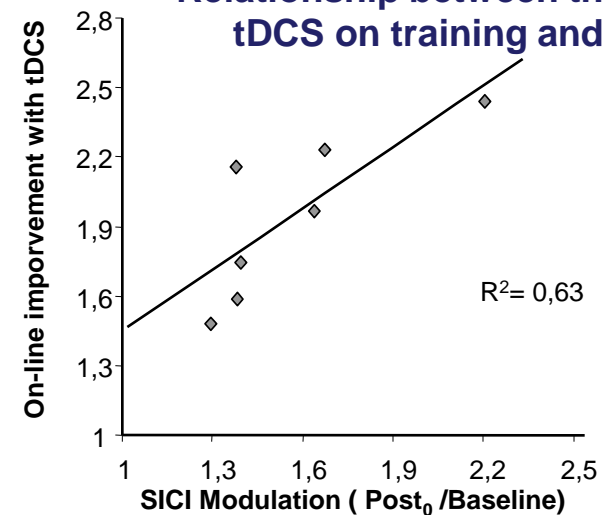




Training Session (tDCS vs. Sham)



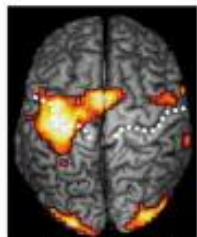
Relationship between the effects of tDCS on training and on SICI



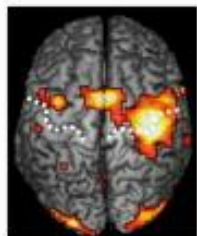
- ❖ Activation patterns change over the time of functional regeneration (Ward et al. 2004, Grefkes et al. 2008, Calautti et al. 2005)
- ❖ Patterns (e.g. ipsilateral to the paretic hand) differ depending on patients characteristics (Ward et al. 2004, Grefkes et al. 2008, Calautti et al. 2005)

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Control subjects



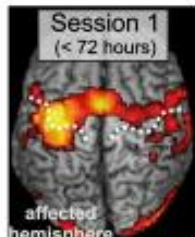
right hand



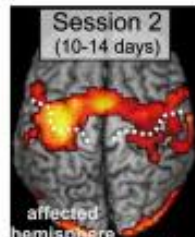
left hand

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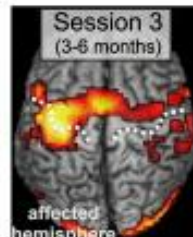
Stroke patients



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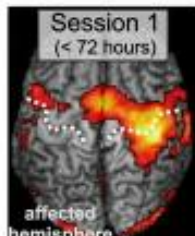


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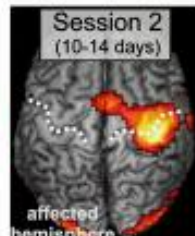


affected hemisphere

movements of the affected hand



affected hemisphere

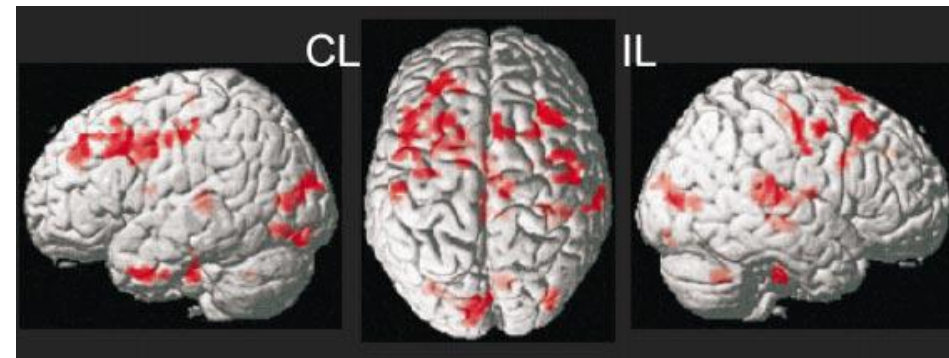


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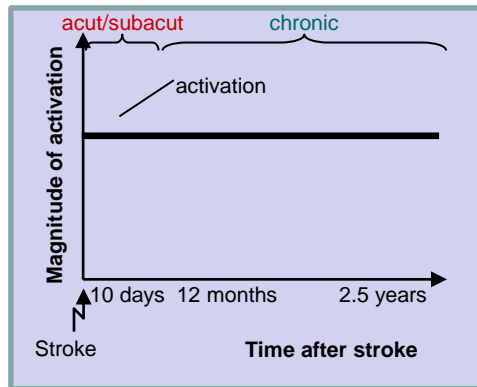
movements of the unaffected hand



Ward et al. 2003

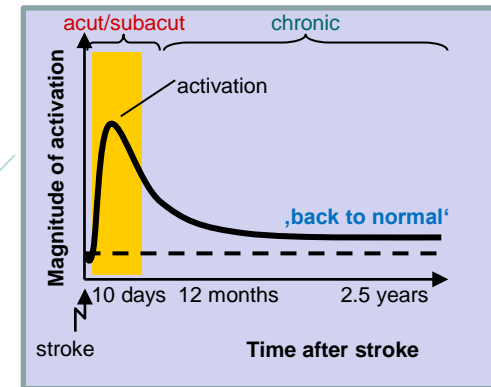
Rehme et al. 2011

Subcortical Stroke, good recovery

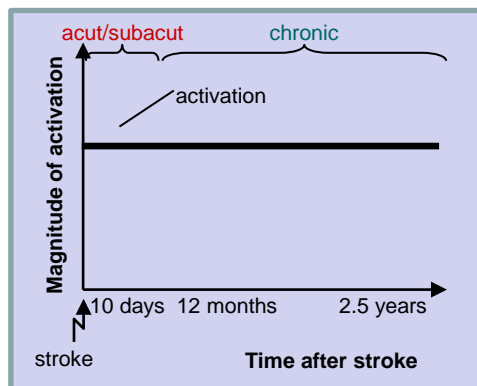


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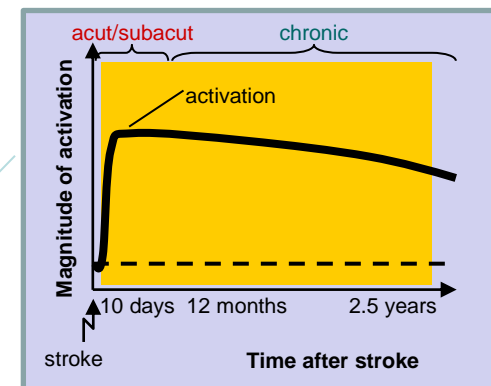


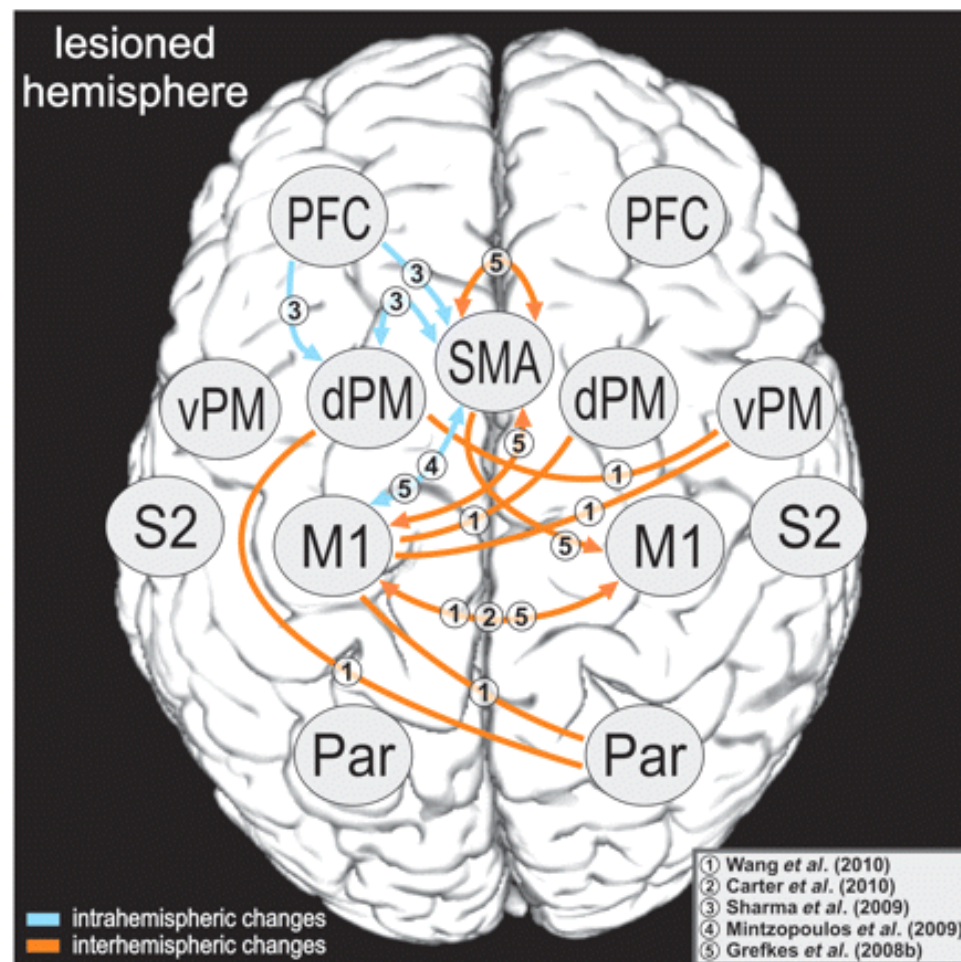
Cortical Stroke, limited recovery



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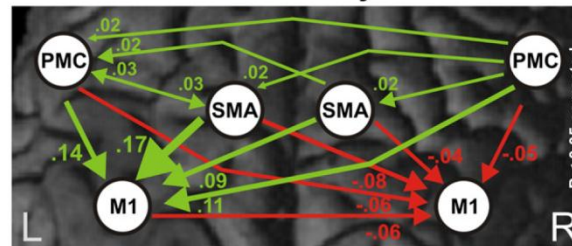
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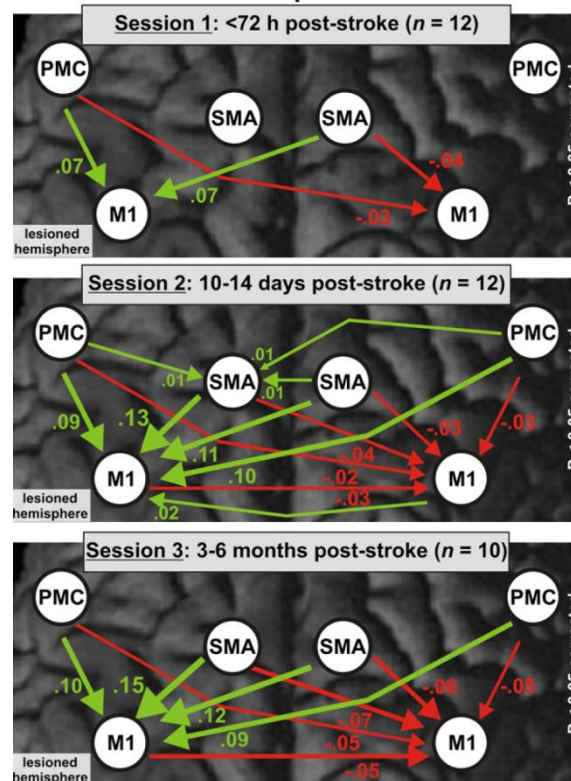


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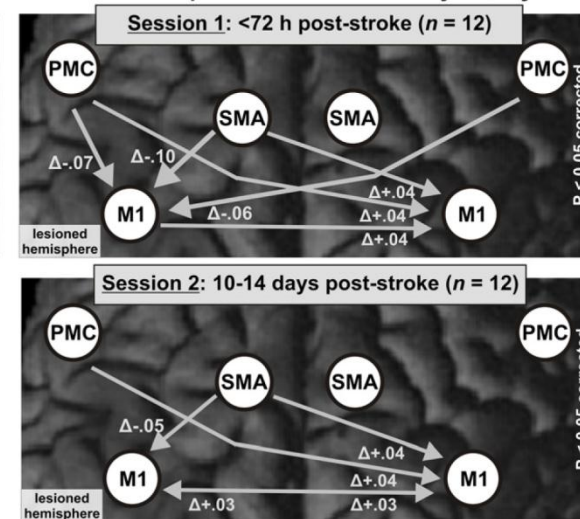
Control subjects



Stroke patients



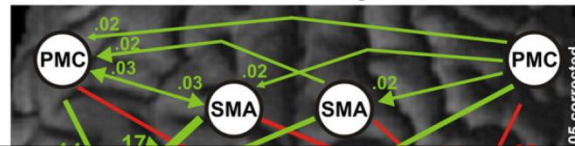
Difference patients - healthy subjects



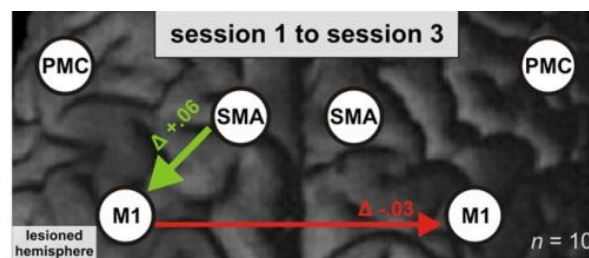
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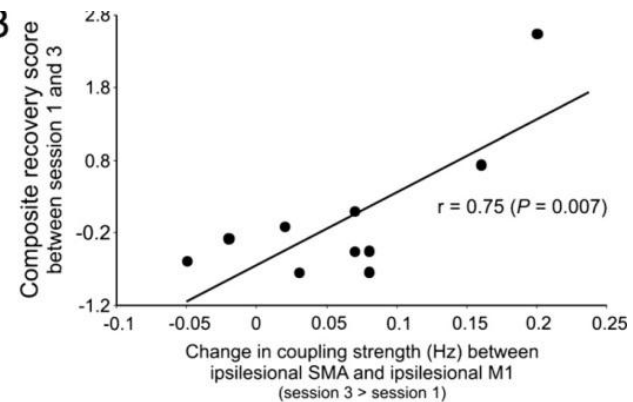
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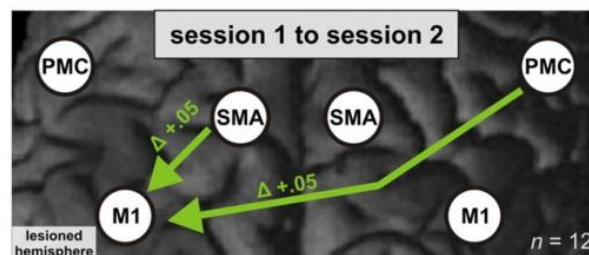
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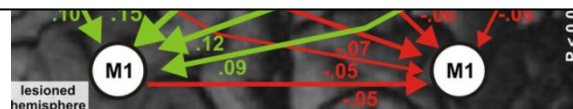
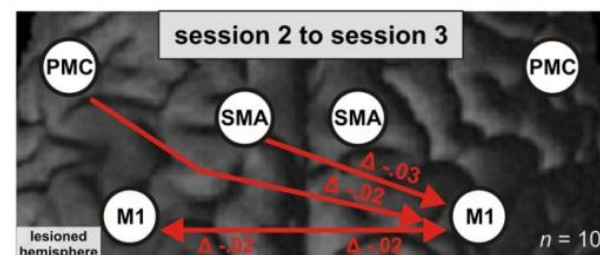
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A multicentre study of motor functional connectivity changes in patients with multiple sclerosis

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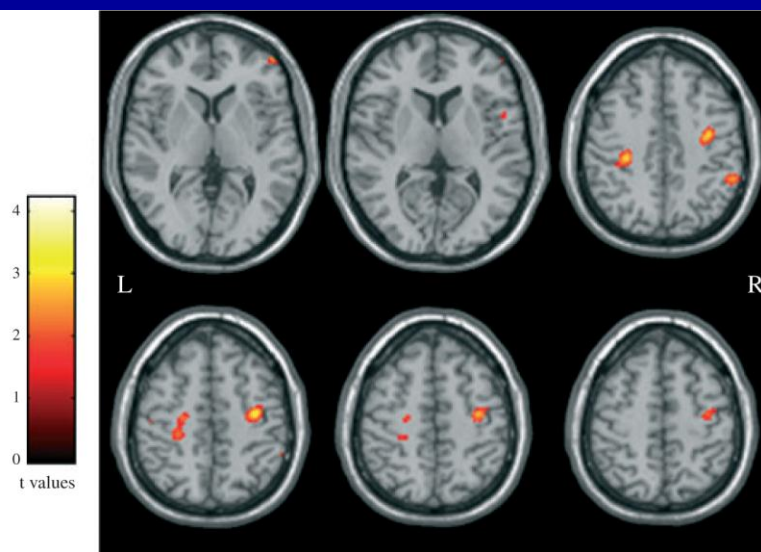


FIG. 2. Statistical parametric maps (ANOVA model, $P < 0.05$, SVC for multiple comparisons) showing brain regions with significantly increased FC with the left primary SMC in MS patients as compared with controls. Images are presented according to neurological convention L, left; R, right.

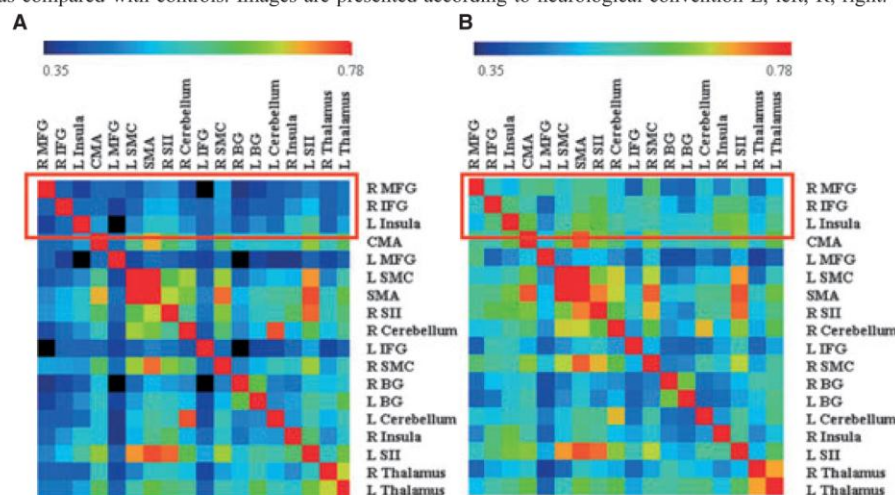
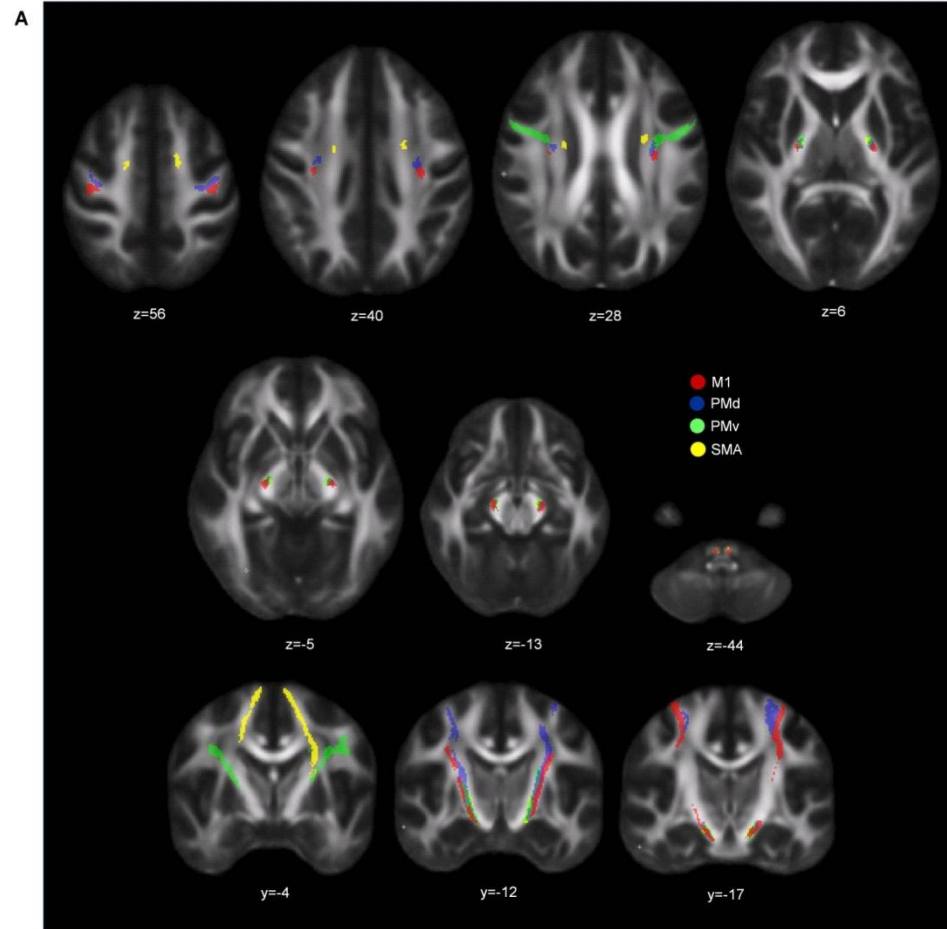
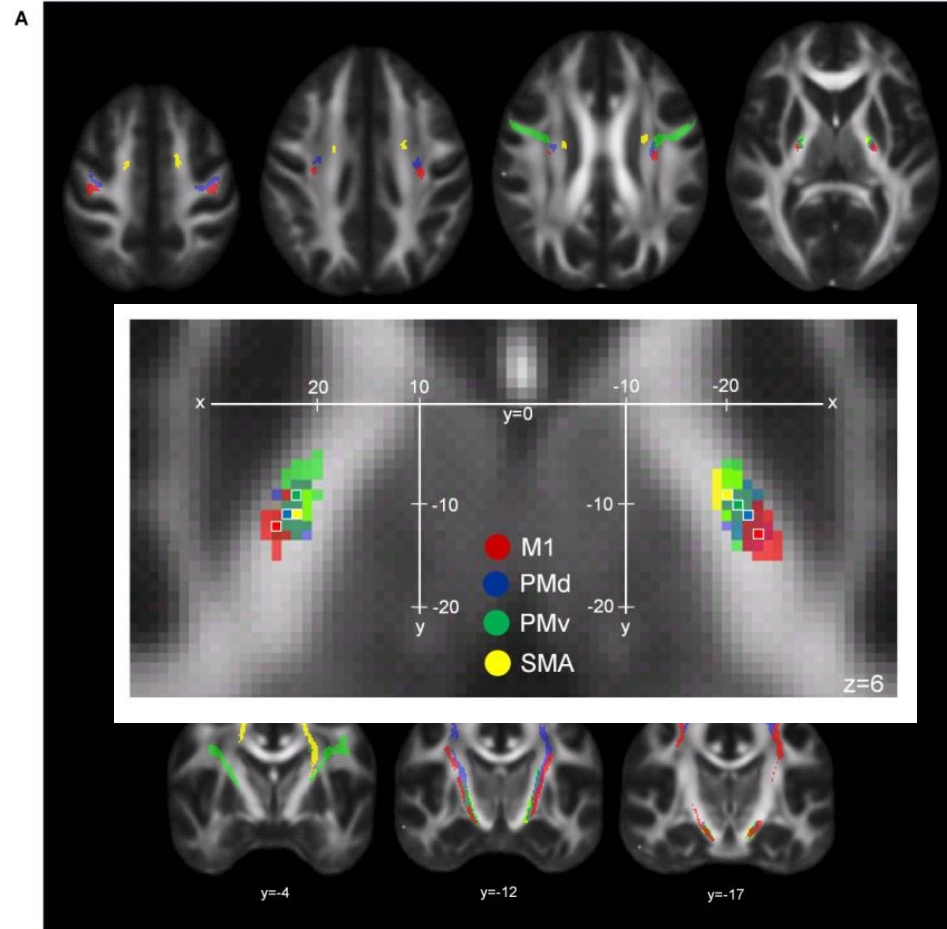


FIG. 3. Colour-coded connectivity matrices representing the degree of correlation between pairs of brain regions in control subjects (A) and MS patients (B). Note that these matrices are symmetrical, because Pearson correlation coefficients between pairs of regions are symmetrical. The brain regions shown include: left (L) and right (R) MFG; left and right IFG; left and right insula; CMA; left and right primary SMC; SMA; left and right SII; left and right cerebellum (dentate nucleus); left and right basal ganglia (BG) (putamen); and left and right thalamus. These regions have been ordered according to the number of connections that are significantly different between controls and MS patients (that is, the first region in the matrix is the one with the greatest number of increased connections in MS patients as compared with controls). Most of the connections involving the right MFG, the right IFG and the left insula show an overall increase in MS patients as compared with controls, as highlighted from the black boxes surrounding the first three lines of the left (A) and the right (B) connectivity matrices. See text for further details.

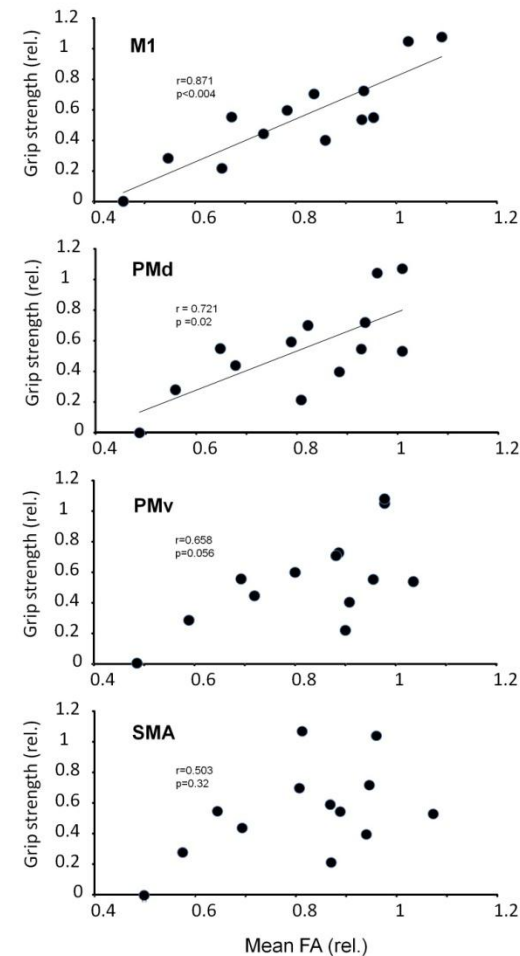
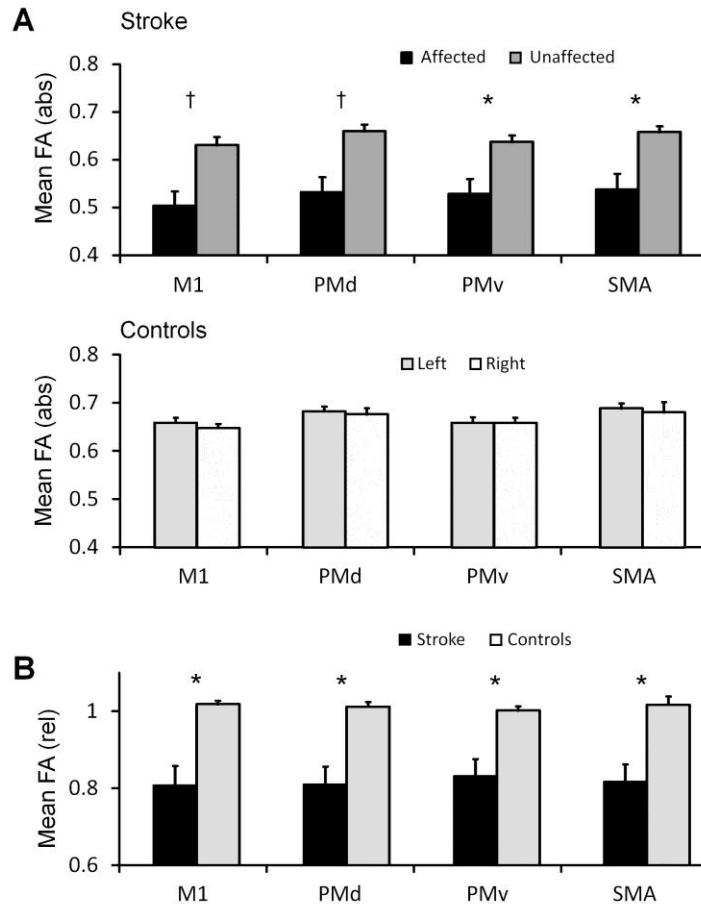


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- ❖ Cortical seeds based on fMRI
- ❖ Chronic stroke



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Motor cortex and premotor cortex tract specific FA associated with function (Riley et al. 2011, Lindenberger et al. 2010)



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Prediction of recovery of motor function after stroke

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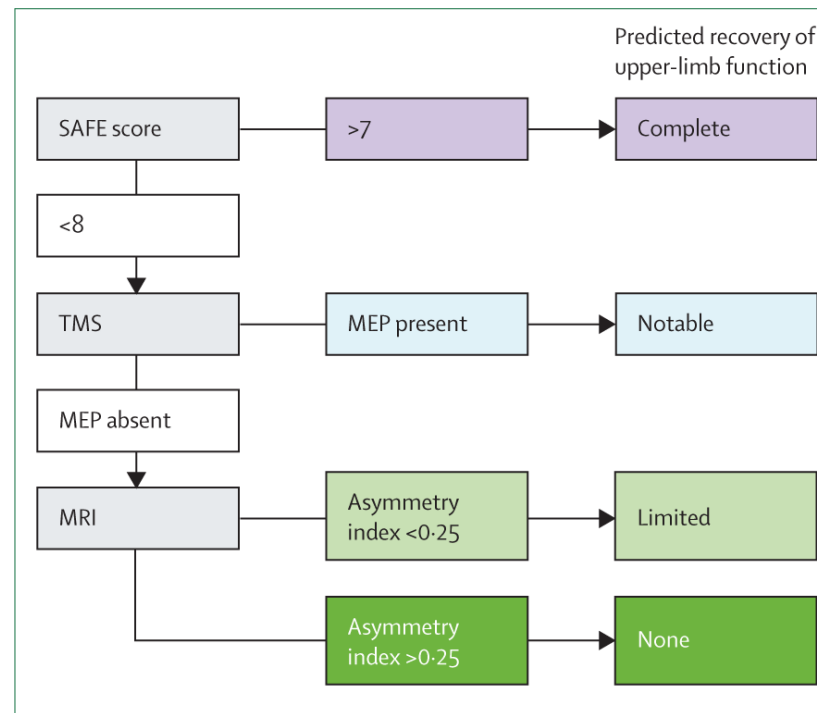


Figure 2: Suggested sequence of tests to predict recovery of motor function in patients with subacute stroke

Predicted recovery of upper-limb function refers to recovery in the weeks after stroke. Although this particular algorithm requires validation, it illustrates a potentially efficient progression from simple to more complex predictive measures, which might be a useful direction for future research. SAFE=sum of the shoulder abduction and finger extension Medical Research Council muscle grades 72 h after stroke. TMS=transcranial magnetic stimulation. MEP=motor evoked potentials in affected upper limb. Asymmetry index=asymmetry index of fractional anisotropy in the posterior limbs of the internal capsules measured with diffusion-weighted MRI.¹⁵

- Factors like *lesion location, size, structural background and integrity, time* after ictal event and others influence the course of impairment and functional regeneration
- Approaches of systems neuroscience provide the option to evaluate adaptive, maladaptive plastic changes after brain lesions
- Approaches of systems neuroscience might provide the option to predict functional reorganization, outcome and direct an individual patient-targeted therapy.
- Approaches of systems neuroscience might provide a platform to evaluate innovative novel treatment strategies (pharmacological, brain stimulation etc,)

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