

# 認知神經科學簡介

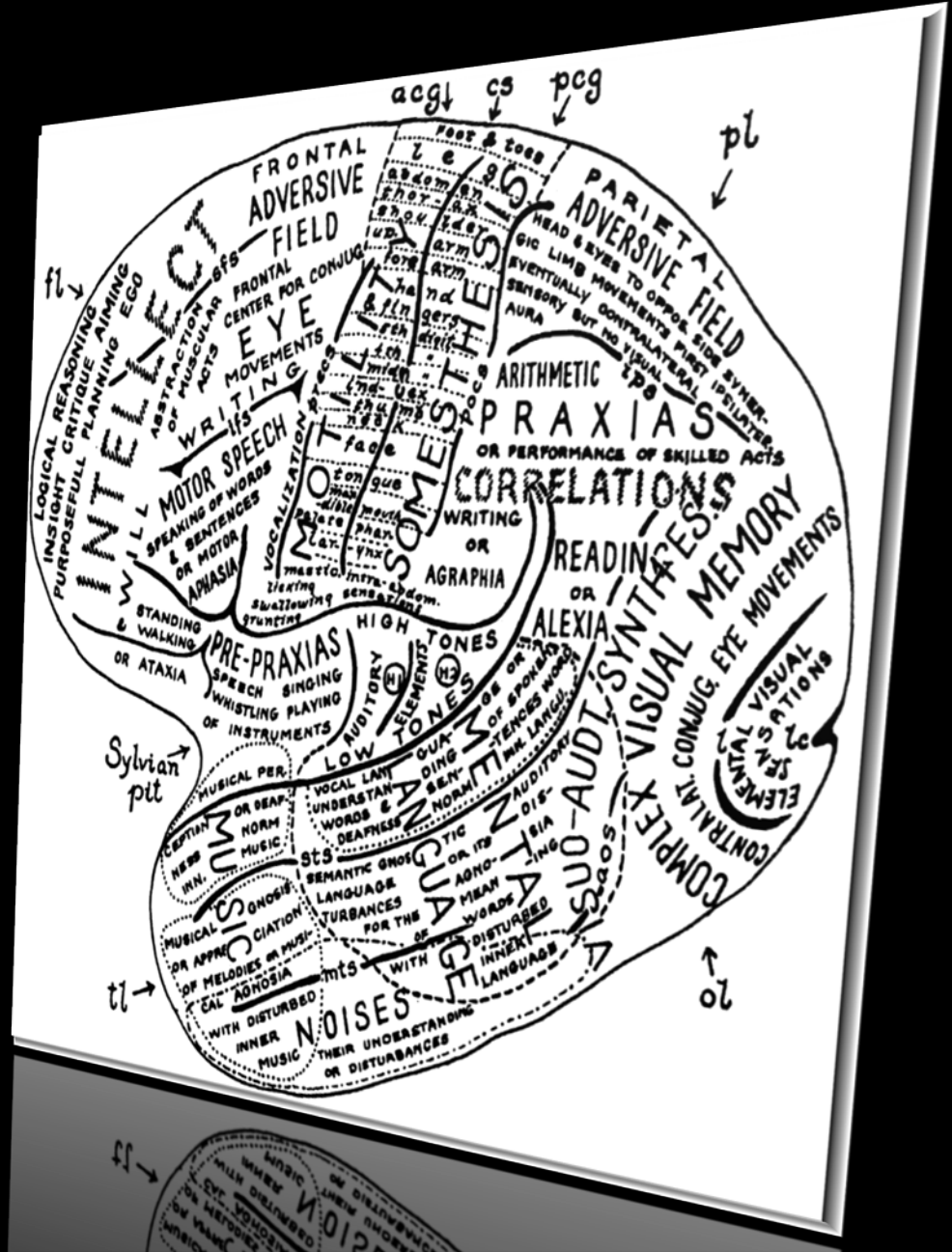
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# 腦功能研究



# 每個腦區都有其獨特的功能？

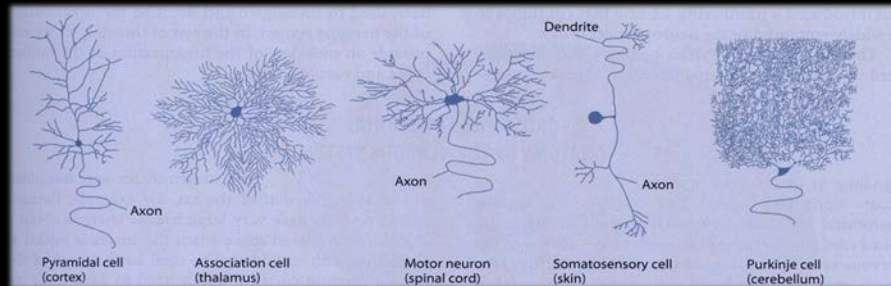
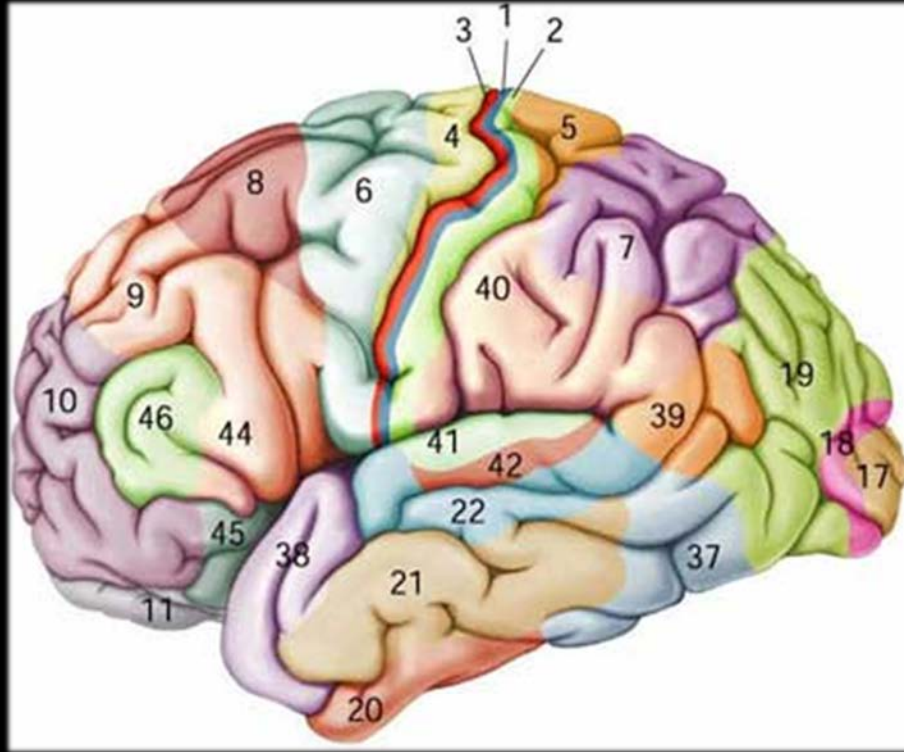


*Paul Broca (1824-1880)*

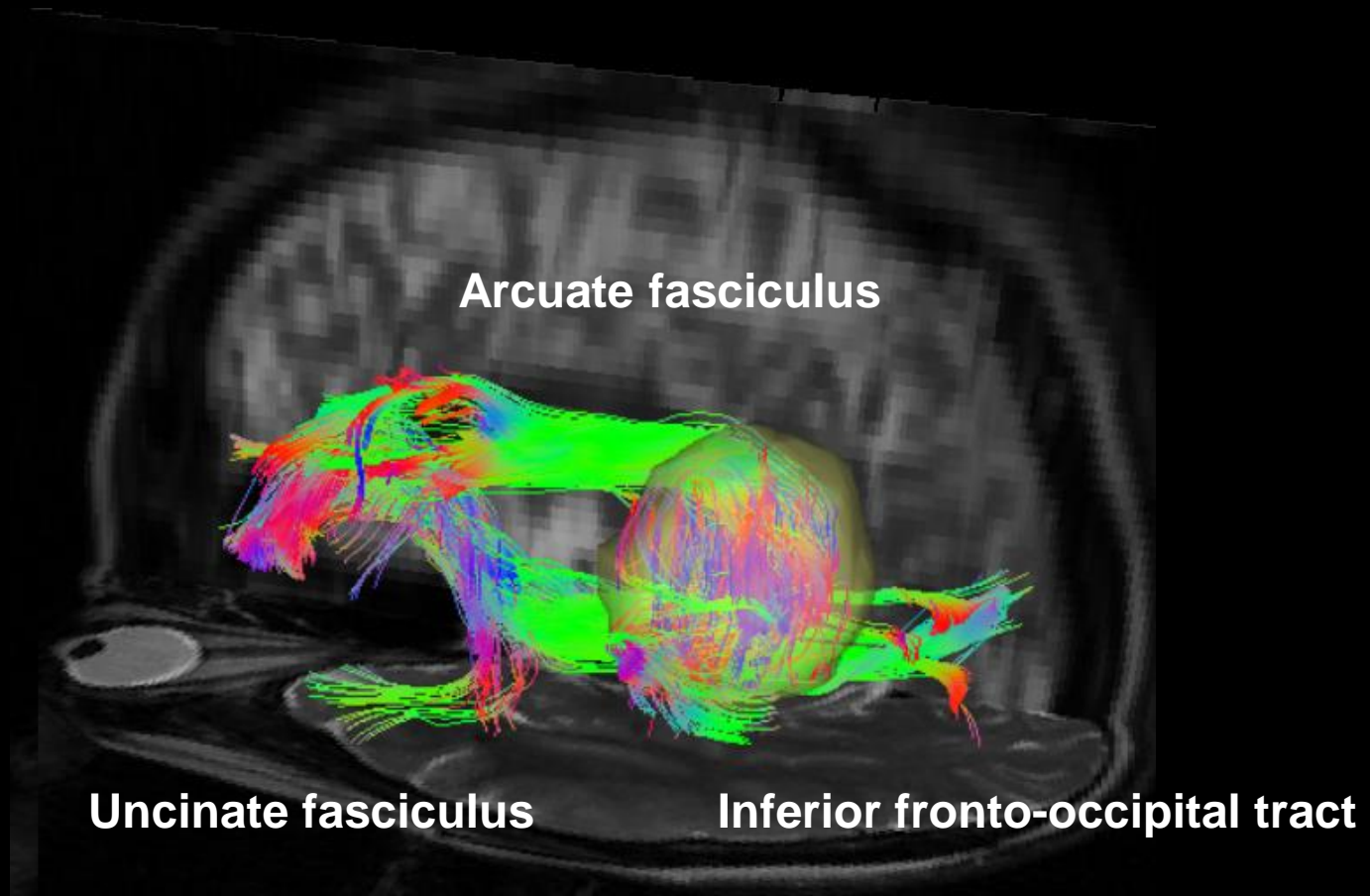
# 大腦分區地圖



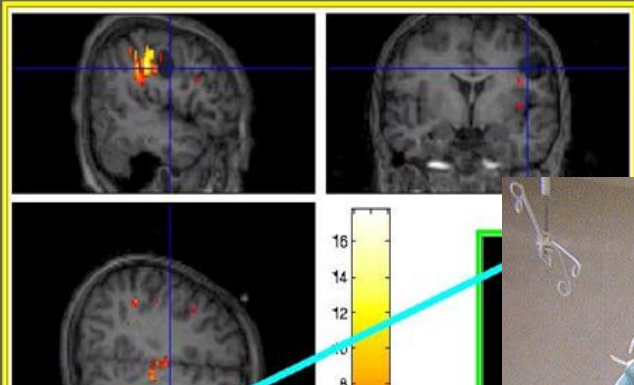
**Korbinian Bordmann**  
(1868-1918)



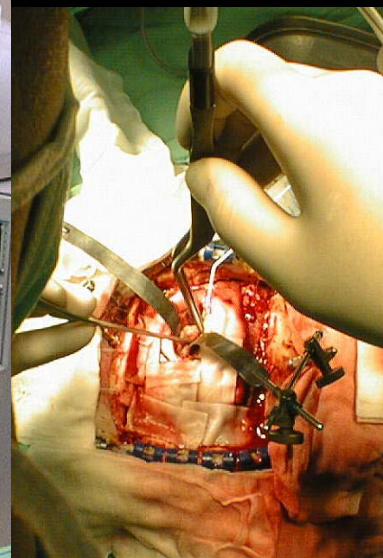
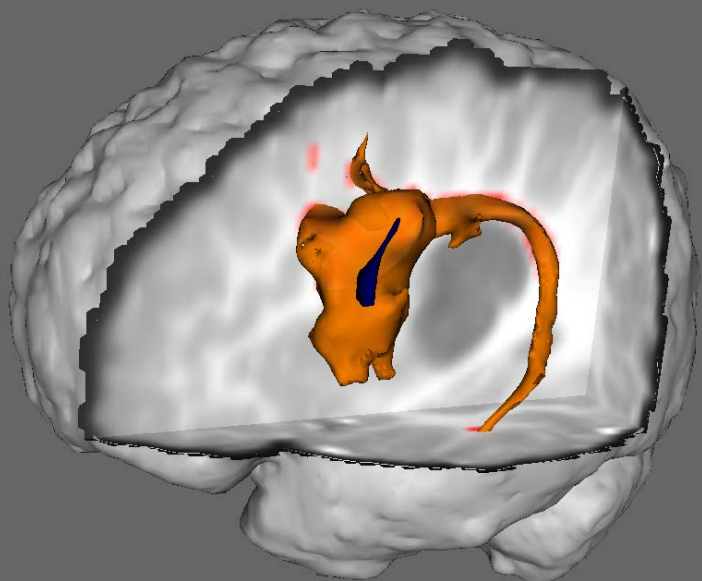
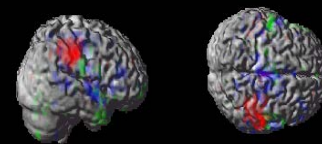
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# 腦瘤的影響 (2/2)



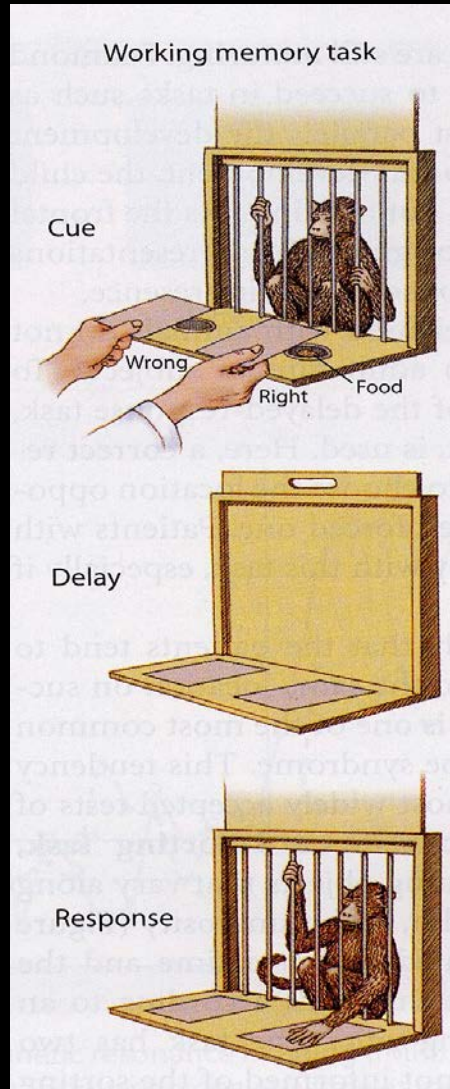
Brain Tumor



# 以破壞腦結構的方式探討工作記憶與大腦前額葉的關係

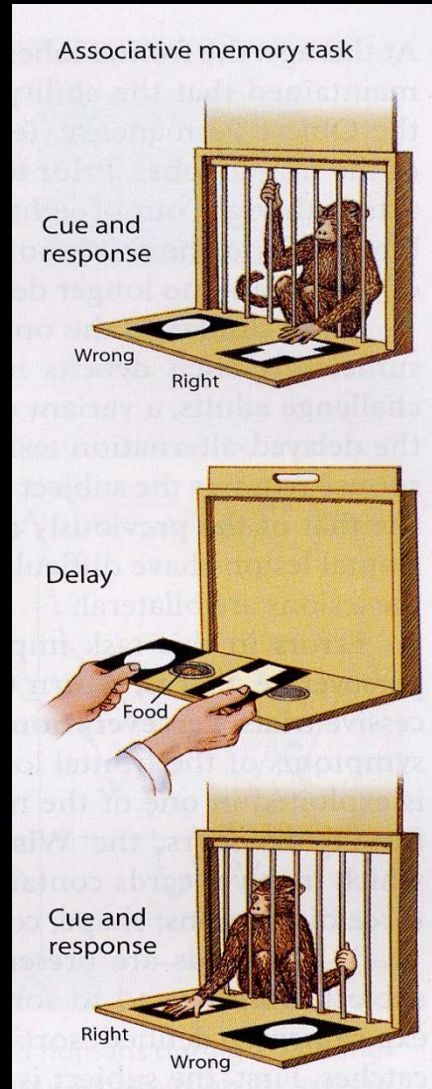
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(Delayed response task)

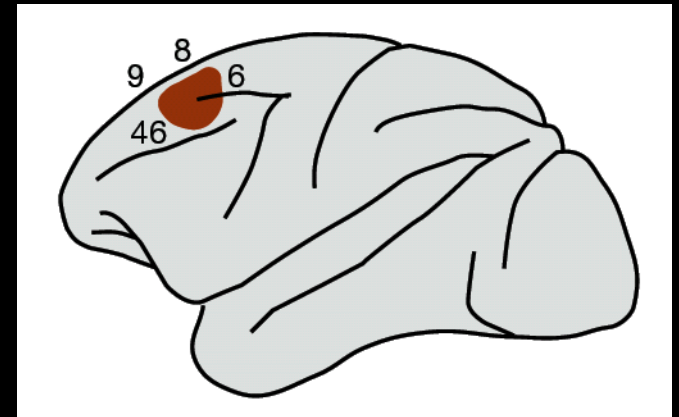


## 連結反應作業

(Associative response task)



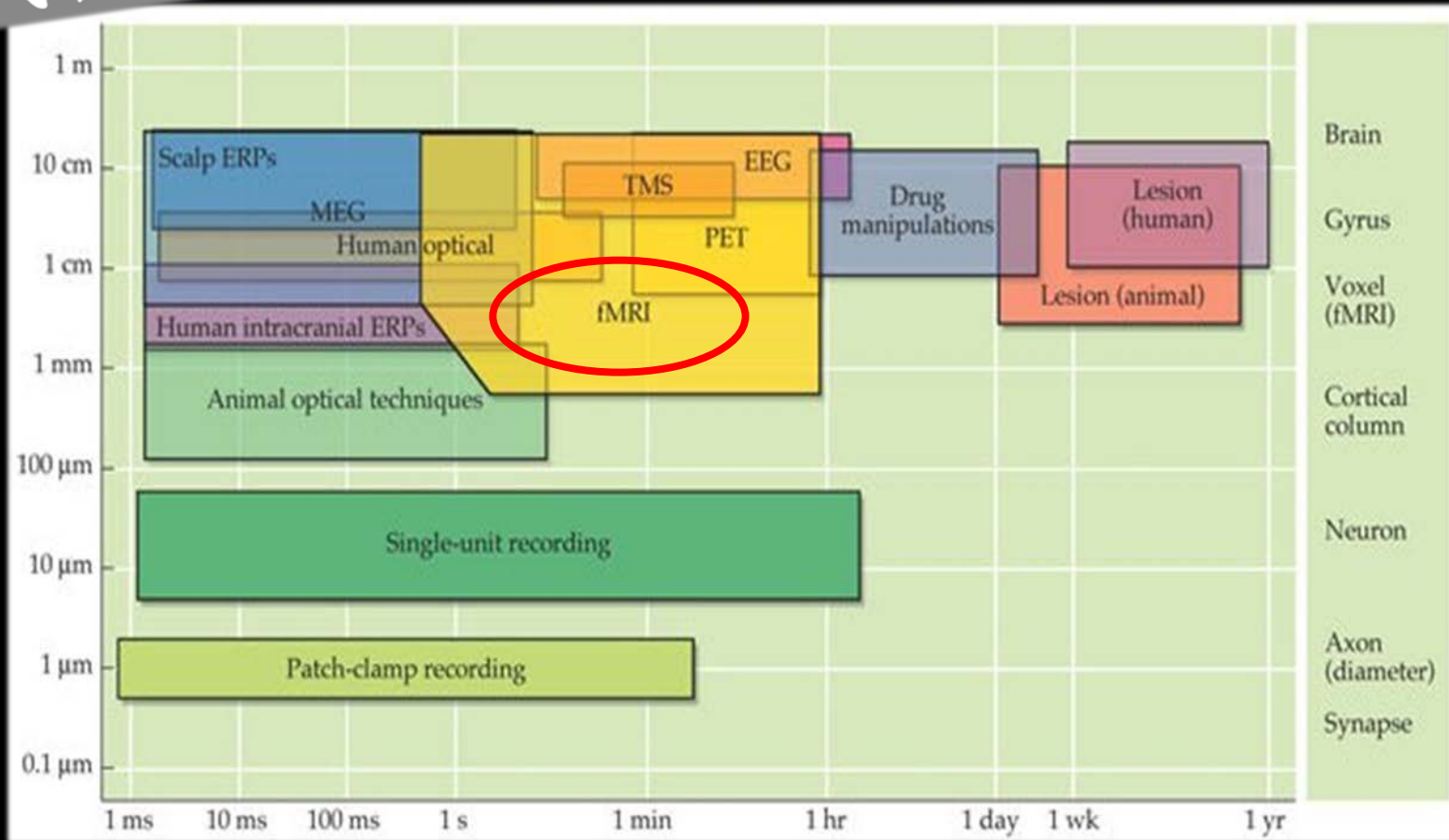
→ *Damage to the lateral prefrontal cortex disrupts working memory, instead of recognition memory.*



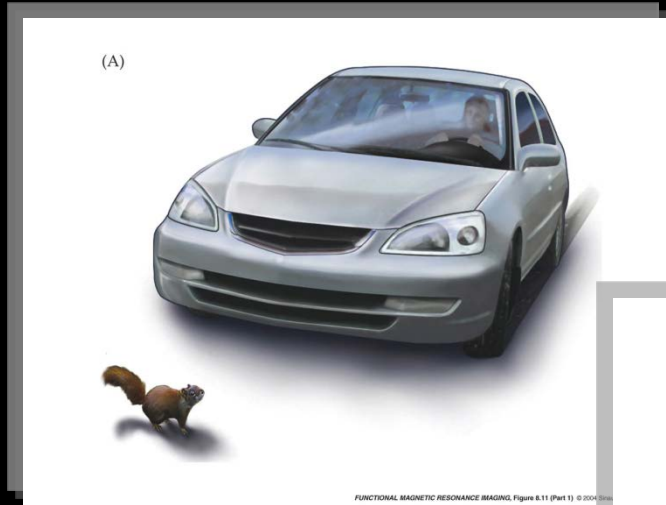




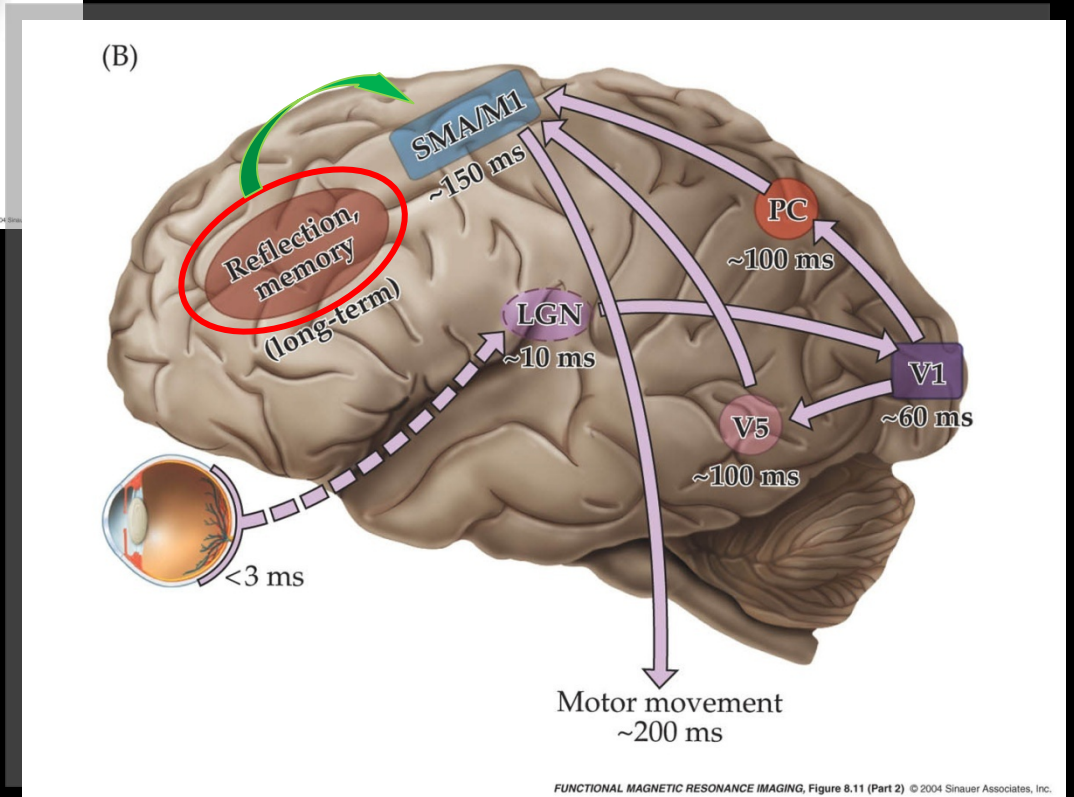
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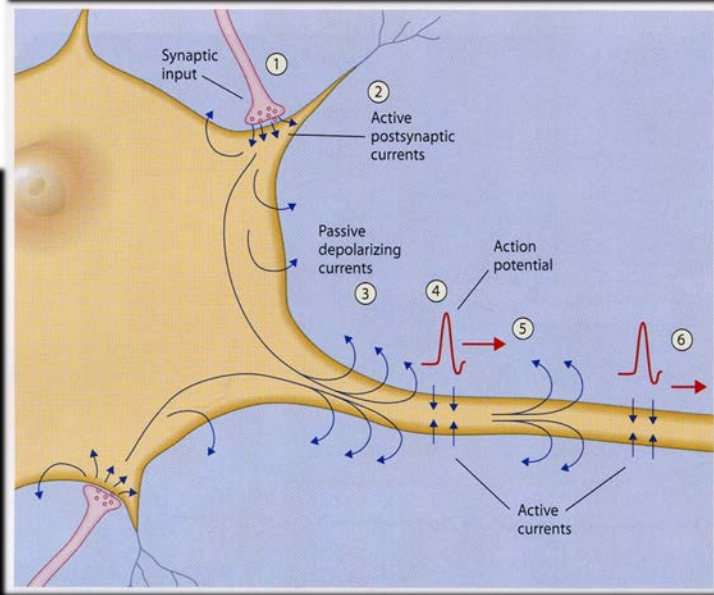
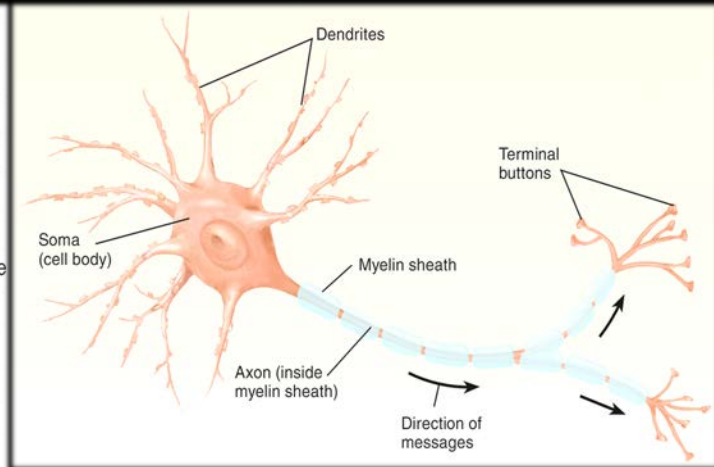
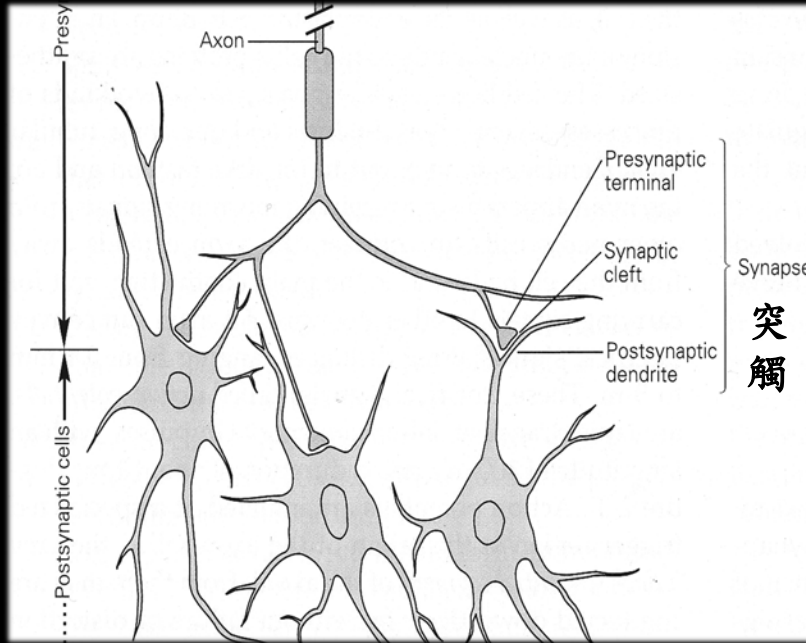
# 如何 啟動和 觀察腦神經系統運作?

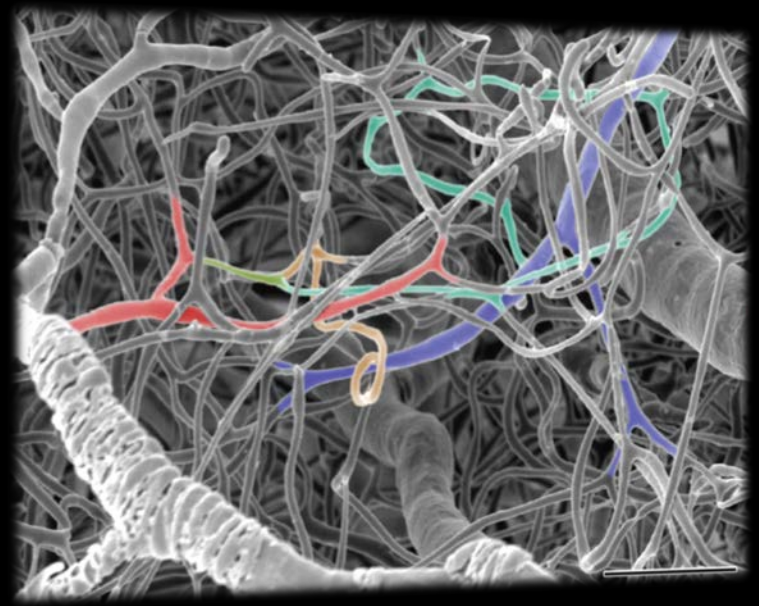
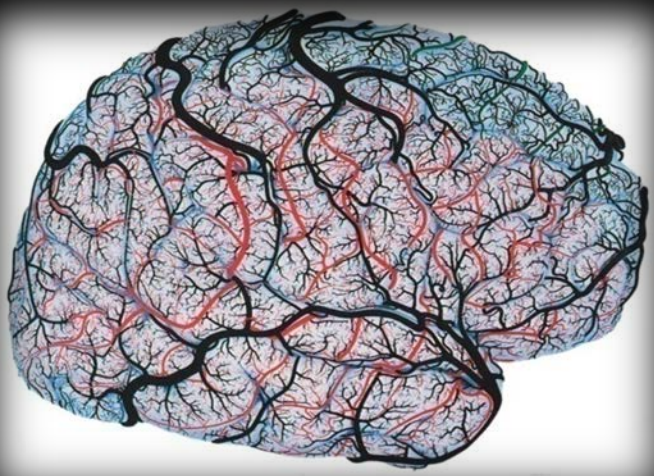
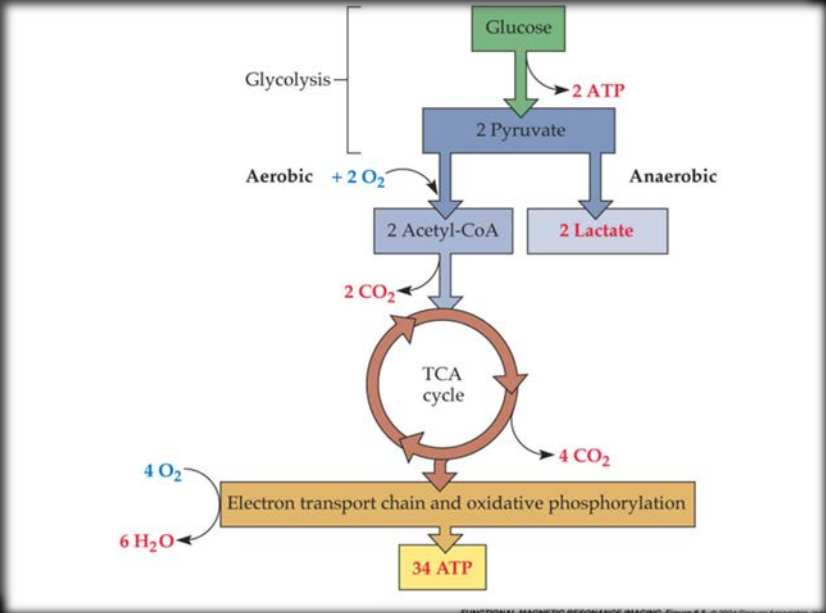
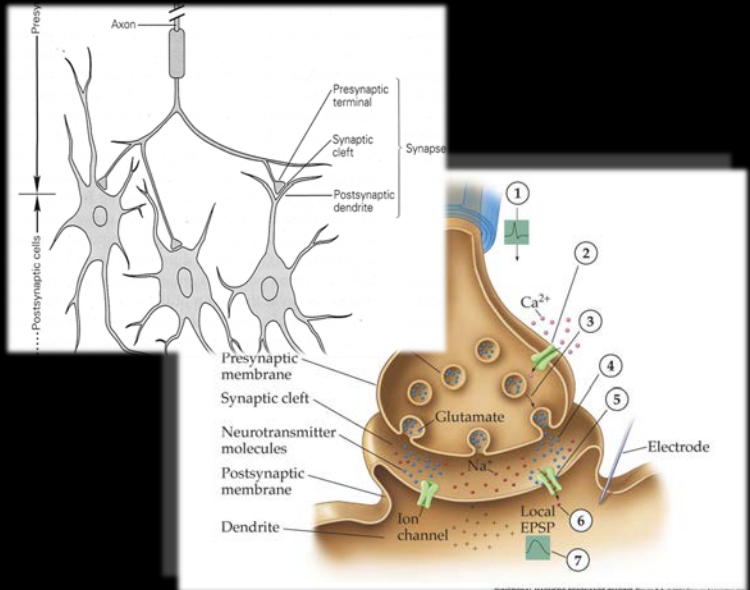


- 外在 刺激所啟動, 例如視覺
- 內在 運作所啟動, 例如記憶



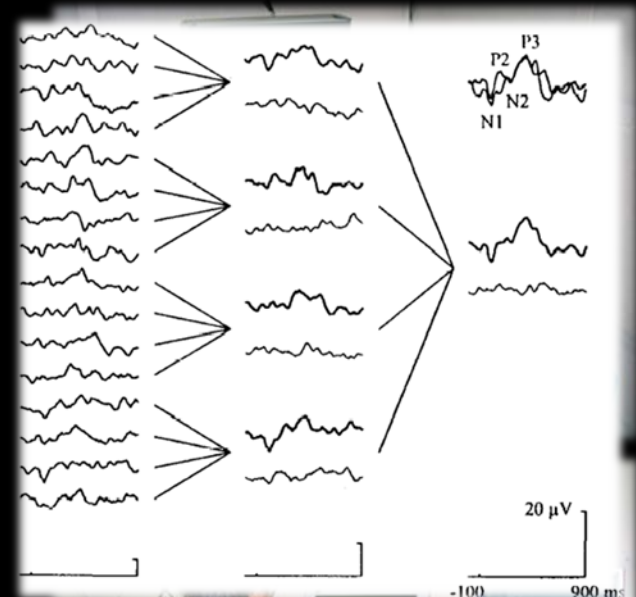
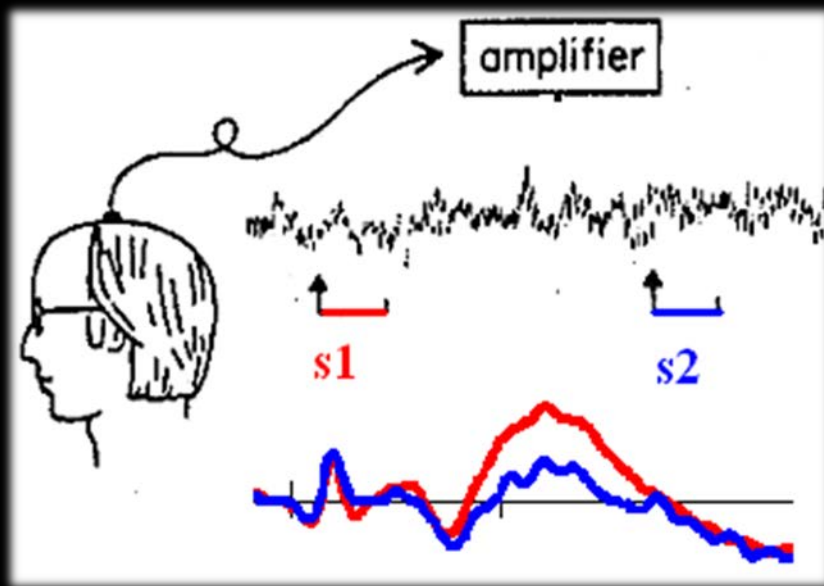
# 大腦神經元的訊息傳遞與溝通

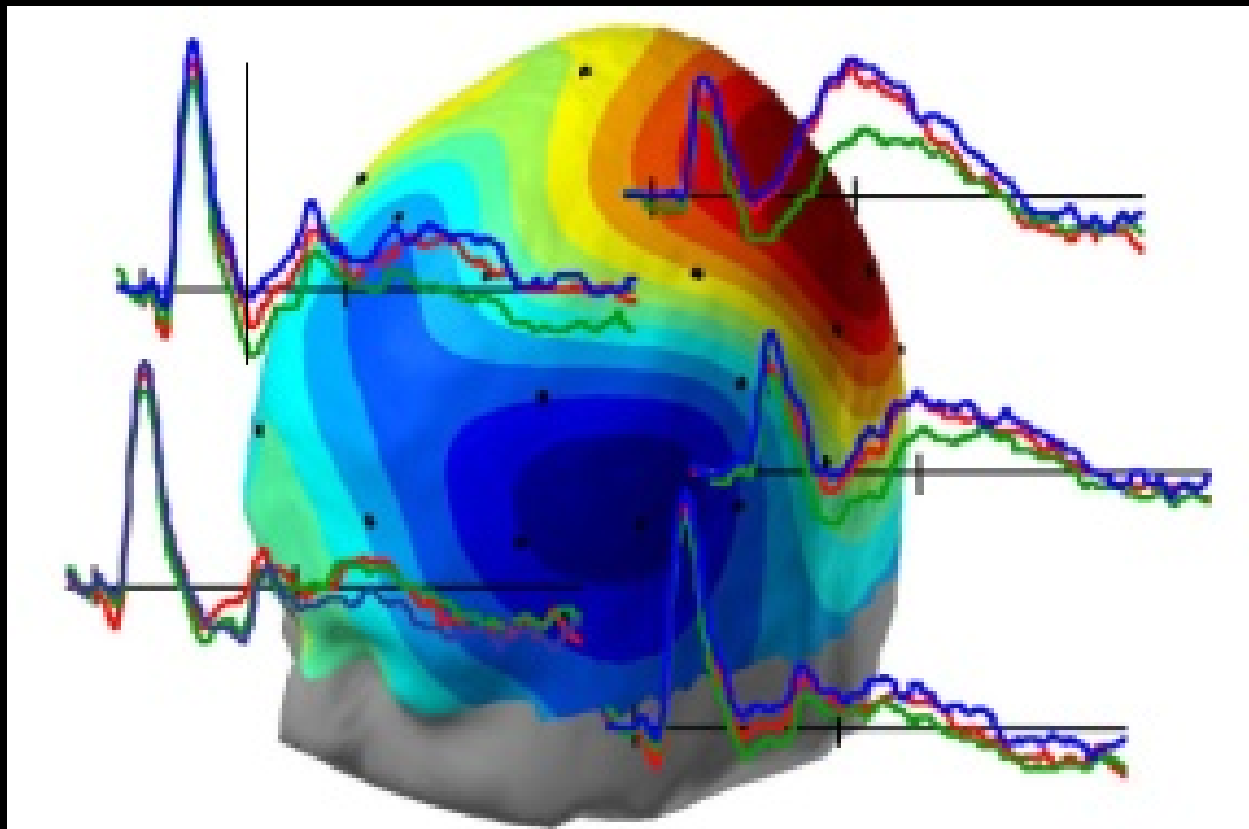




# Event-Related Potentials (ERPs)

- ERPs are extracted from epochs of EEG associated with stimuli of the same category, and reflect the neural processing of experimental stimuli.

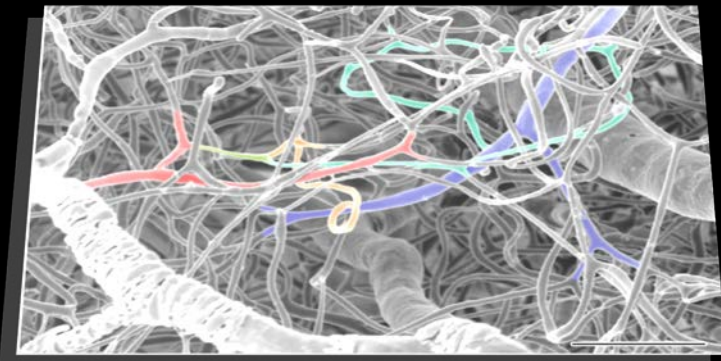






# **BOLD System**

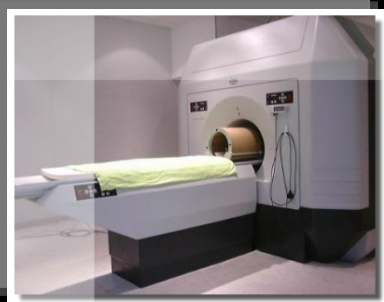
**neuronal activity**



**fMRI signal**

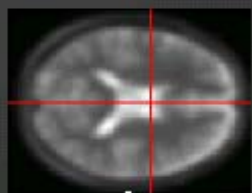
**hemodynamic response**

- Language processing
- Visual motor processing
- Memory processing
- Decision-making
- .....



## Data transformations

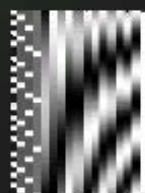
Time-series data



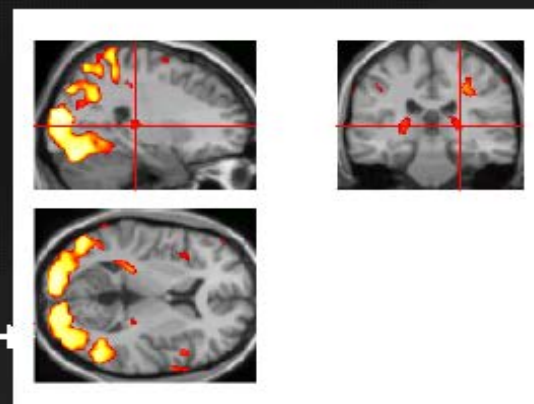
Kernel



Design matrix



Statistical parametric map (SPM)



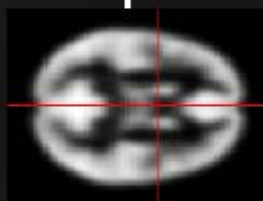
Realignment

Smoothing

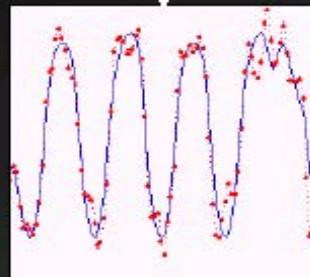
General linear model

Statistical inference

Normalisation

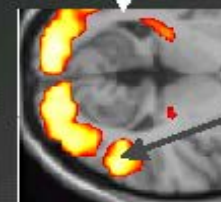


Template



Parameter estimates

Gaussian field theory

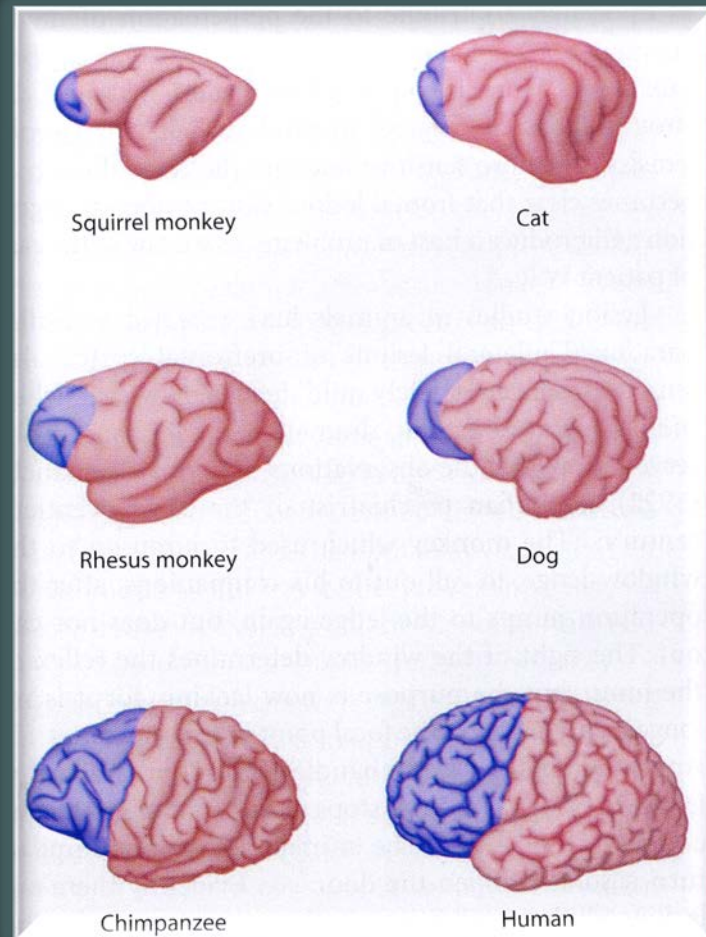
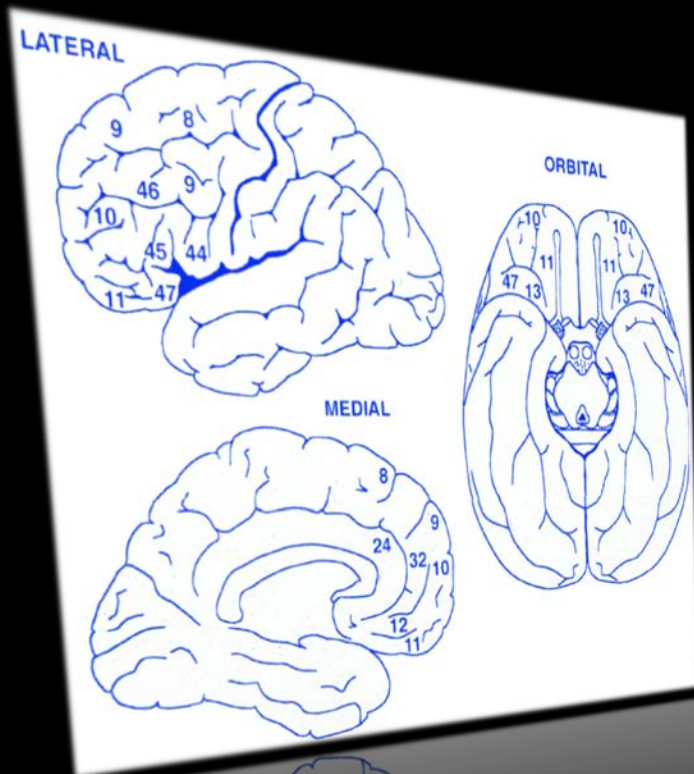


$p < 0.05$



# 大腦的發展與演化 -- 前額葉

## The Human Prefrontal Cortex



隨著演化與發展，前額葉體積與神經連結逐漸增加

# 大腦前額葉的特性

- 演化上比較新

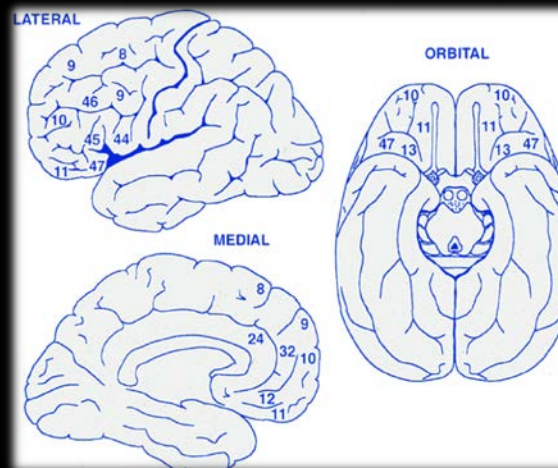
*Phylogenetically, it is one of the latest cortices to develop, having attained maximum relative growth in the brain.*

- 發展上比較晚成熟

*The PFC undergoes late development in the course of ontogeny.*

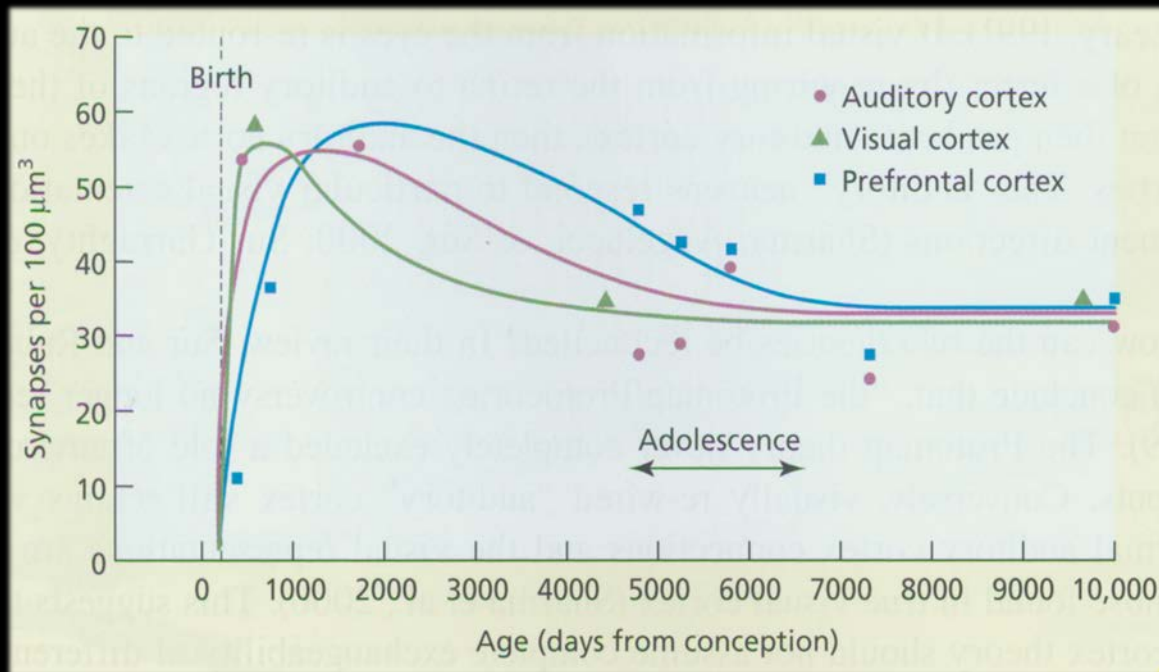
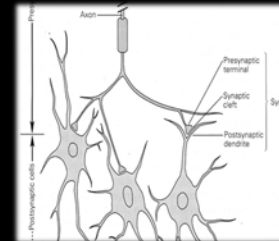
- 與高階認知功能比較相關

*Imaging studies, in the human, indicate that prefrontal areas do not attain full maturity until adolescence. This is consistent with the behavioral evidence that these areas are critical for those higher cortical functions that develop late.*

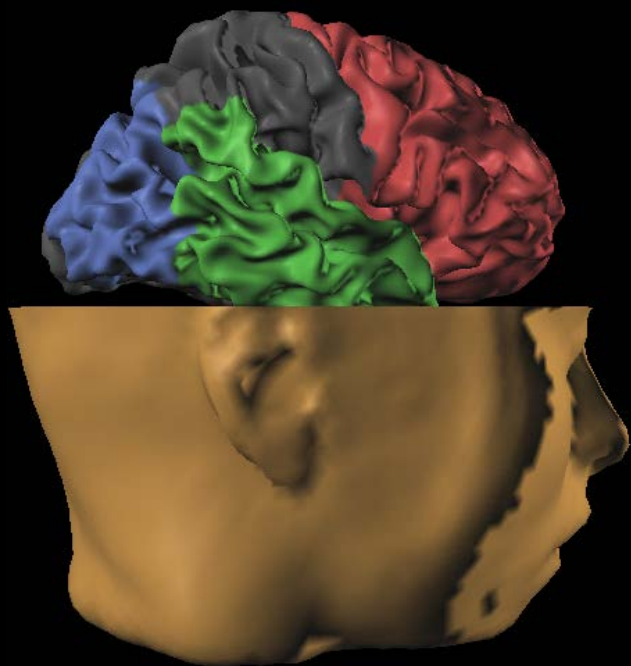


# 突觸密度 *Synaptic density* in human cortex

- Primary visual & auditory cortice (視覺、聽覺皮質)
  - peaks between 4-12months
  - falls to adult level between 2-4 years
- Prefrontal cortex (大腦前額葉皮質)
  - peak reaches after 12 months
  - return to adult level after 10 to 20 years



# 什麼是認知神經科學？

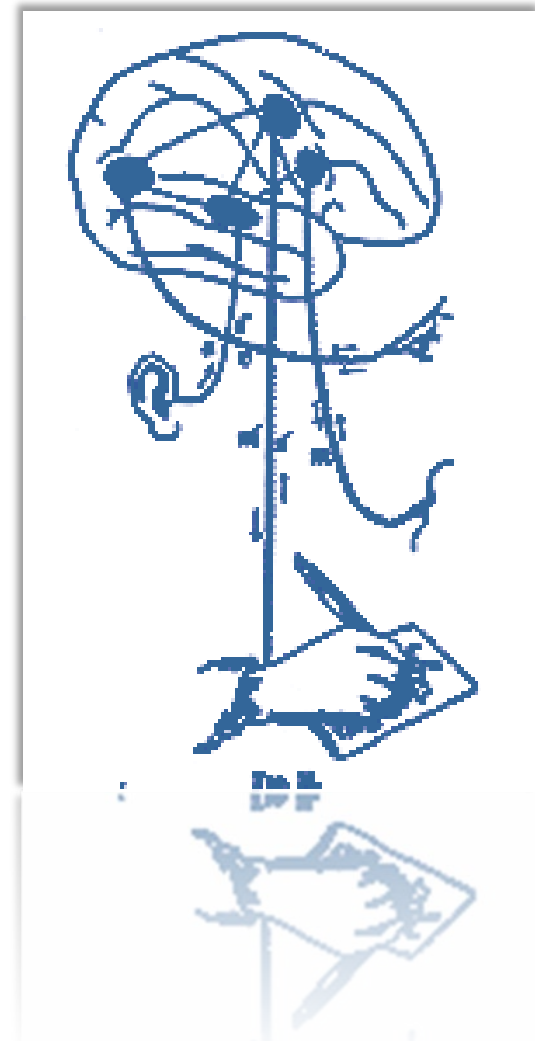


# 我們有哪些大腦認知功能？

語言、閱讀、學習、記憶、注意力、  
視覺認知、物體辨識、動作控制、  
情緒、同理心 ……

意志力、計畫、決策、問題解決、  
道德判斷、人際互動 ……

*Chinese reading  
in the brain*



- Writing systems are set to provide their readers with maximal phonological and semantic information using minimal orthographic units (Frost, 2012).
- Different writing systems carry different transparency levels of grapheme-to-phoneme mapping.



*For English, YACHT, PINE, GAVE, BRANE, ... which are irregular words.*



mother

女 馬

*semantic radical*

*(consistent)*

*phonological radical*



read

言 賣

*semantic radical*

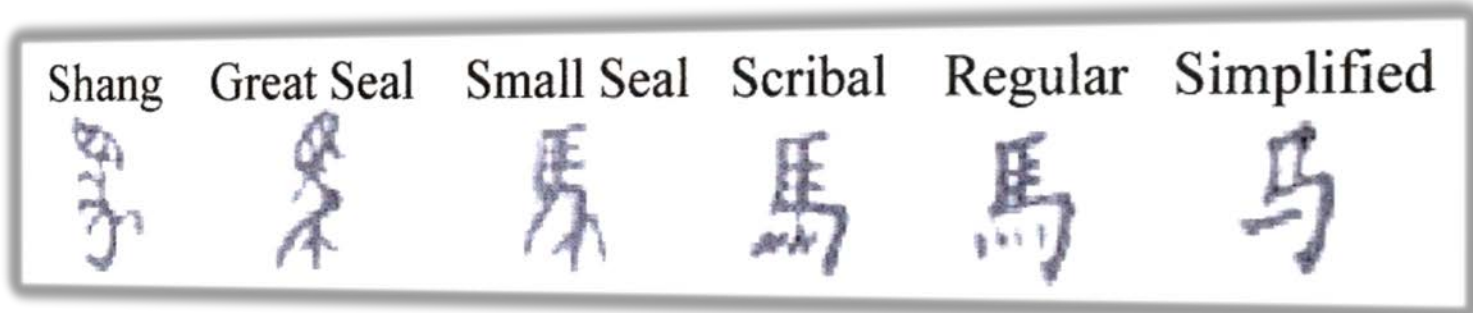
*(inconsistent)*

*phonological radical*

Will *properties* of the components (radicals) of a character have systematic, psychological influence to its processing ?



## ***Are Chinese characters pictographic ?***



***No, not really.***





## Structural classification of Chinese characters

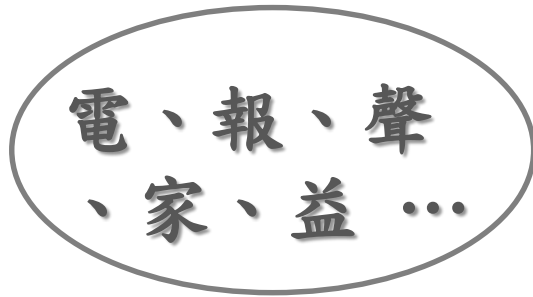
Principles	Oracle Bones (Shang dynasty, 1100- 1400 BC)	Xu Shen (Han dynasty, 2 <sup>nd</sup> century)	Zheng Qiao (Song dynasty, 12 <sup>th</sup> century)	Kang Xi (Qing Dynasty, 18 <sup>th</sup> century)
<b>Pictographic</b>	227 (23%)	364 (4%)	608 (3%)	
<b>Simple indicative</b>	20 (2%)	125 (1%)	107 (1%)	~ 1500 (3%)
<b>Compound indicative</b>	396 (41%)	1167 (13%)	740 (3%)	
<b>Semantic- phonetic</b>	334 (34%)	7697 (82%)	21810 (93%)	47141 (97%)
<b><u>Total number</u></b>	977	9353	23265	48641

形聲字

醋  
錯  
借  
惜  
...

(John DeFrancis, 1991)

# 書面頻率效果



常看到的字  
(高書面頻率)



不常看到的字  
(低書面頻率)

## The processes

### a. Consistent characters

Characters sharing the phonetic radical

爻

yao2

- 搖 (swing)
- 遙 (distant)
- 謠 (a ballad)
- 徭 (compulsory labor service)
- 徭 (ethnic minority of Chinese)
- 瑤 (precious jade)

**high consistency (HC)**

### b. Inconsistent characters

Characters sharing the phonetic radical

流

liu2

- 琉 (a bright st)
- 流 (a water way, to flow)
- 硫 (sulfur)

**low consistency (LC)**

shu1

- 梳 (comb)
- 疏 (sparse)

yu4

- 毓 (to raise)

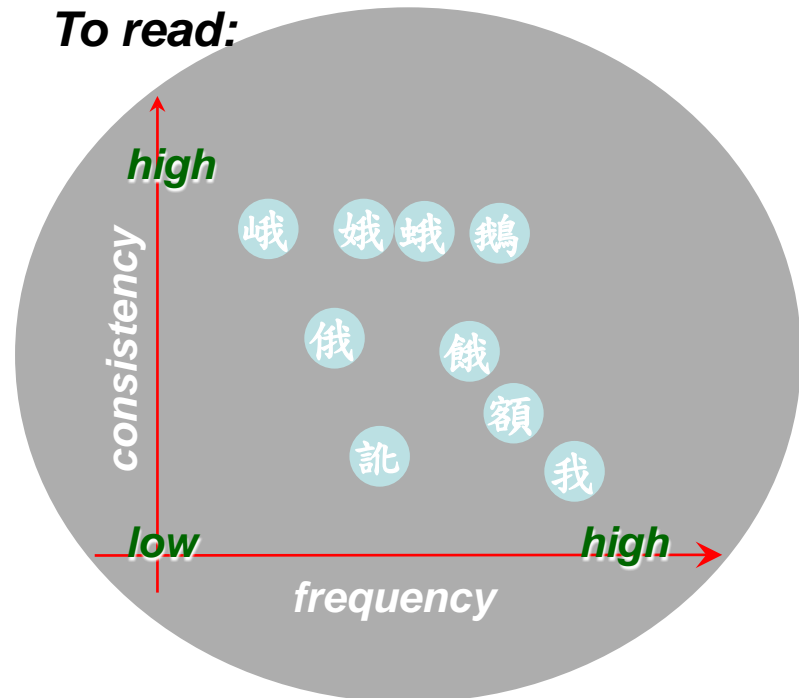
電、報、聲  
、家、搖 ...

**high frequency (HF)**

奠、豹、  
甥、迦、  
堯 ...

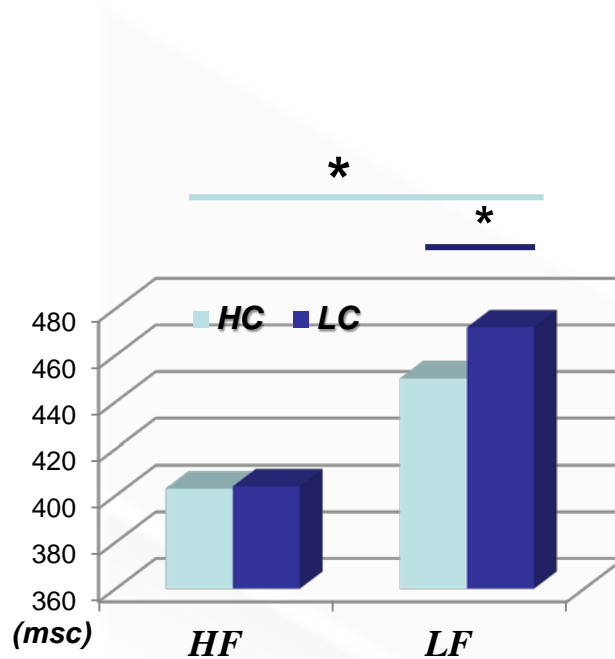
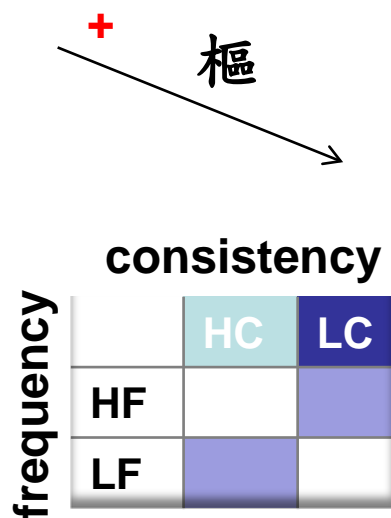
**low frequency (LF)**

To read:



## The task and findings

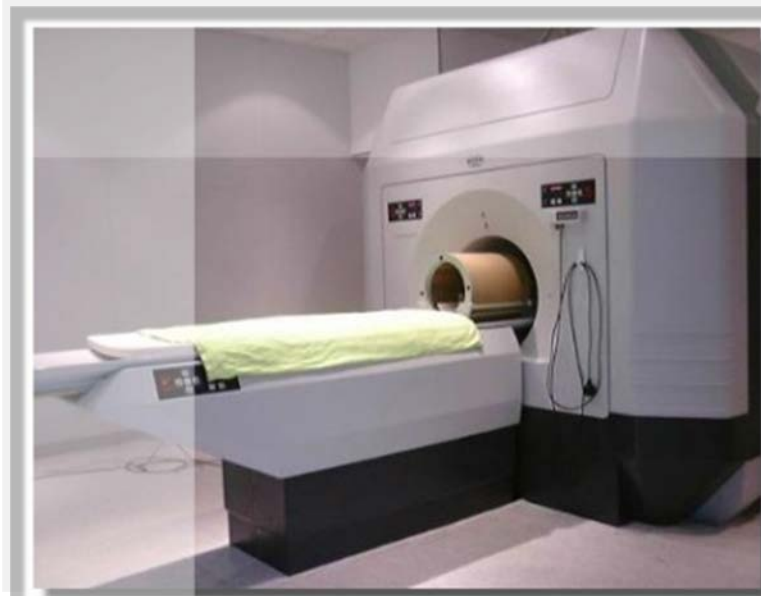
In a naming task, ...



Yes, *properties* of a character component will affect its processing in a systematic way.

# ***Neural substrates of reading processes revealed by frequency, consistency, and their interaction***

- ❑ *3T event-related fMRI paradigm*
- ❑ *18 college students volunteered for subjects*
- ❑ *a naming task*
- ❑ *frequency and consistency for independent variables (2x2 within-subject design)*



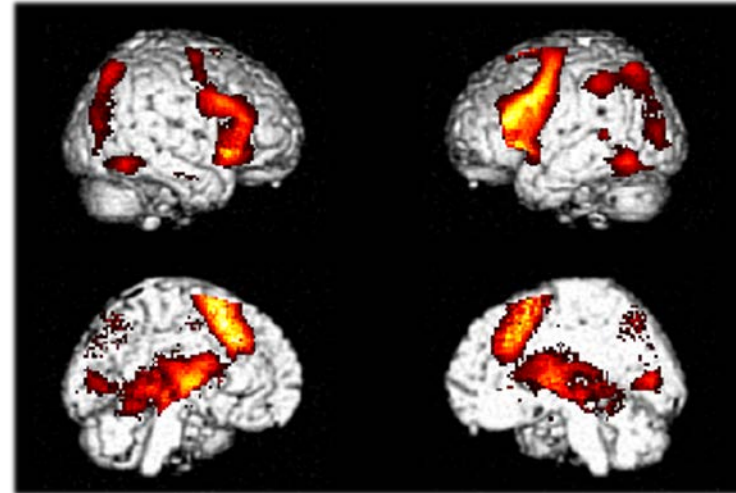
**frequency effect**  
(low-vs.-high frequency)

電、報、聲  
、家、搖 ...

high frequency  
(HF)

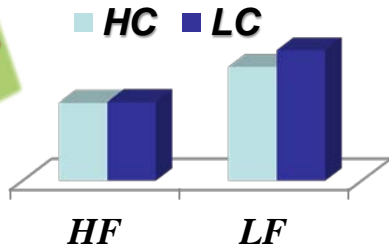
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毓 ...

low frequency  
(LF)

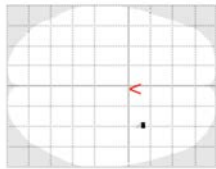
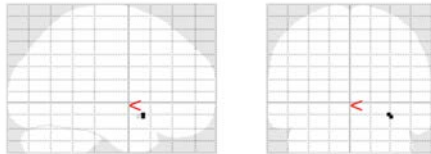


- The brain areas noted underpinned those processes adherent to frequency variation, including perceptual analysis, lexical access, ...
- Both dorsal and ventral pathways ...
  - ✓ The dorsal activation suggested ..
  - ✓ The ventral activation suggested ...
- The inferior frontal, inferior parietal, and superior temporal activation ...
- The sub-cortical activation also gave clues to ...

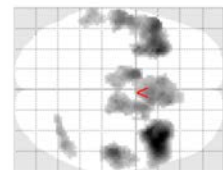
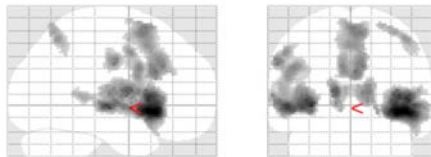
Naming RT



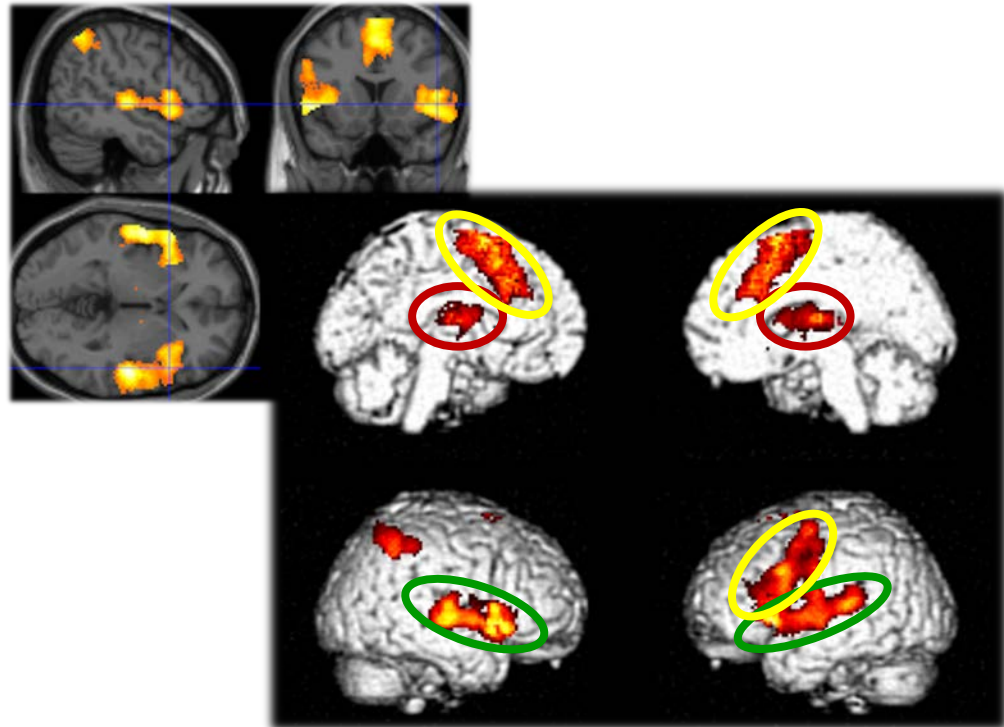
# frequency-by-consistency interaction



(LC-HC) @ HF



(LC-HC) @ LF



Those are brain areas constitute a network centrally to work for *transformation from orthography to phonology*.



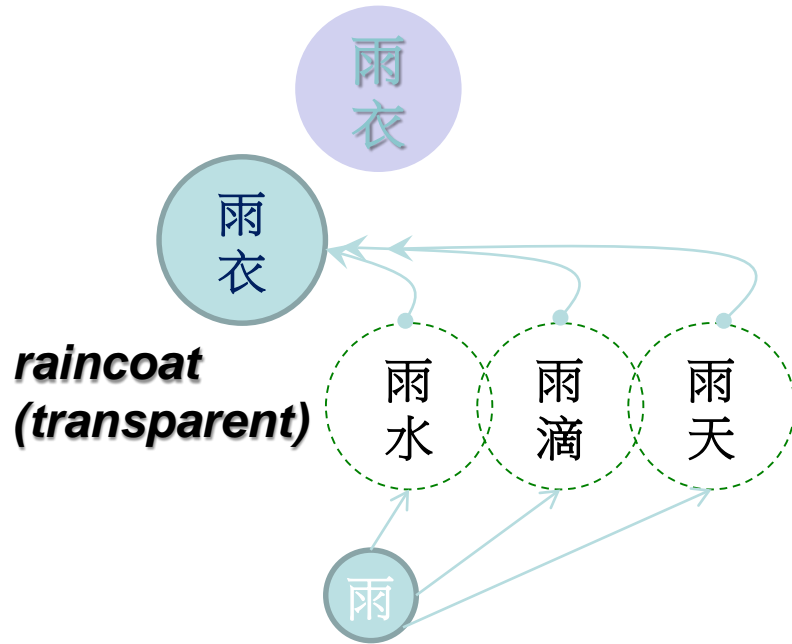
# Search for a lexical control mechanism ...

- In modern Chinese, 76% of the words are disyllabic compounds, e.g., 花園 (garden)、花生 (peanut)、騎士 (knight)、騎樓 (overhang) ....
- Chinese words usually consist of characters that can be mapped onto syllables and morphemes.
- For a Chinese compound word,
  - it can come from a big or small family which shares one of the two constituent characters (sharing the first one has more impact).
  - it can be semantic transparent or opaque to its constituent characters.

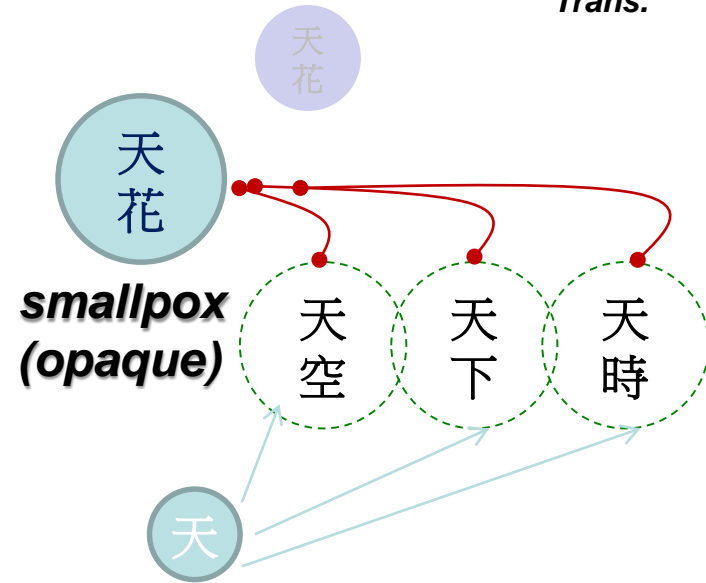
花園、花店、花草、  
花束、花茶、花蕊、  
花瓣、花蜜、花生...

騎士、騎樓...

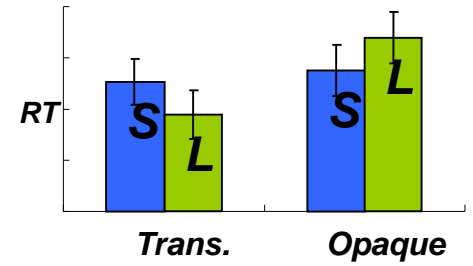
# The model



family (NB) size ↑ RT ↓



family (NB) size ↑ RT ↑

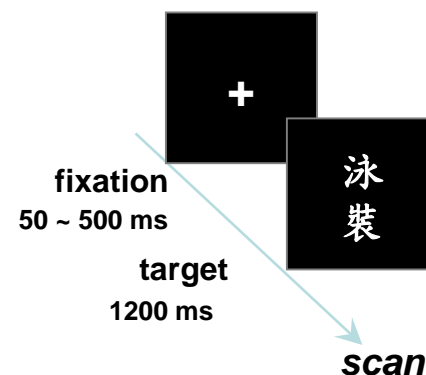


If so, a control mechanism for lexical activation and inhibition is expected.

## Neural effects of semantic transparency of Chinese reading

- 3T event-related fMRI paradigm
- 28 college students volunteered for subjects
- Lexical decision task, reaction time and accuracy were recorded.
- transparency/opaqueness & family (NB) size for variables, word frequency balanced.

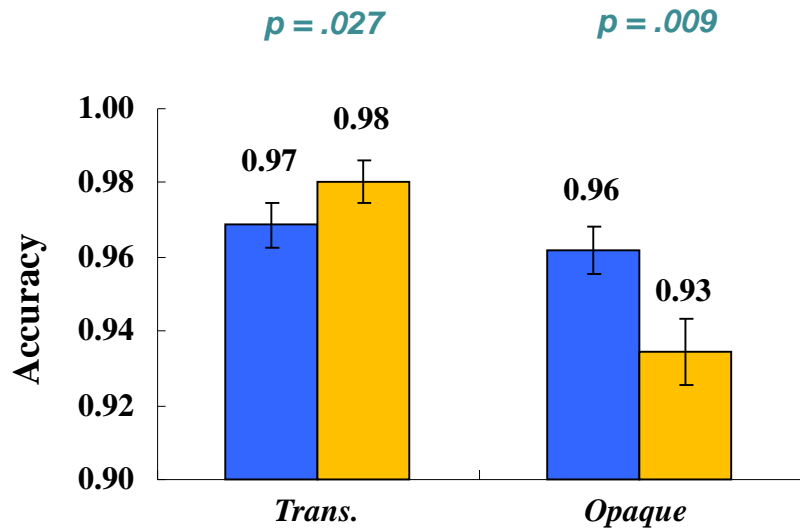
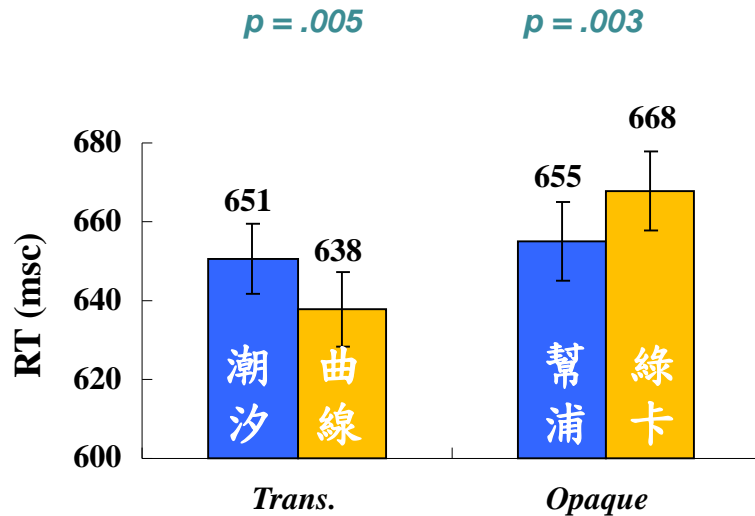
<u>transparent words</u> (n=60)	(S) 愚笨、潮汐、爬山、炊具 .... (L) 閃躲、鋼盔、曲線、皮箱 ....
<u>opaque words</u> (n=60)	(S) 蜘蛛、杜鵑、幫浦、摸魚 .... (L) 姑娘、綠卡、天花、把風 ....



# Behavioral data ( $n=28$ , 14 males)

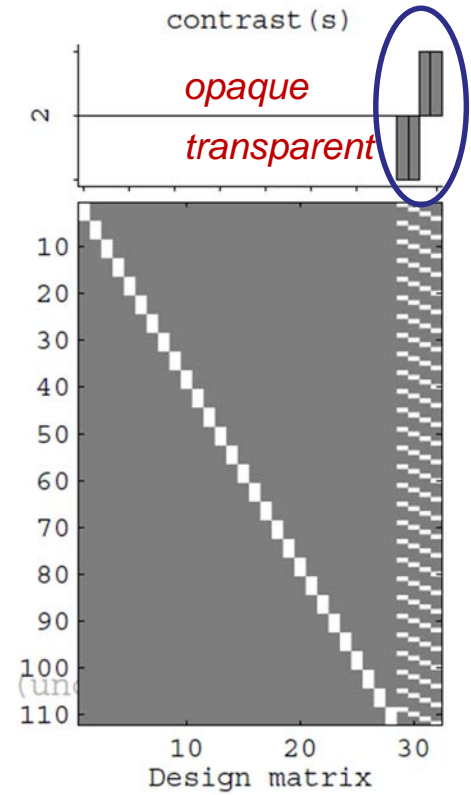
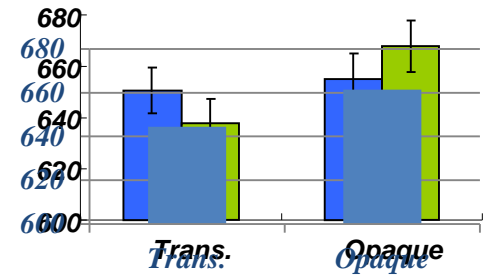
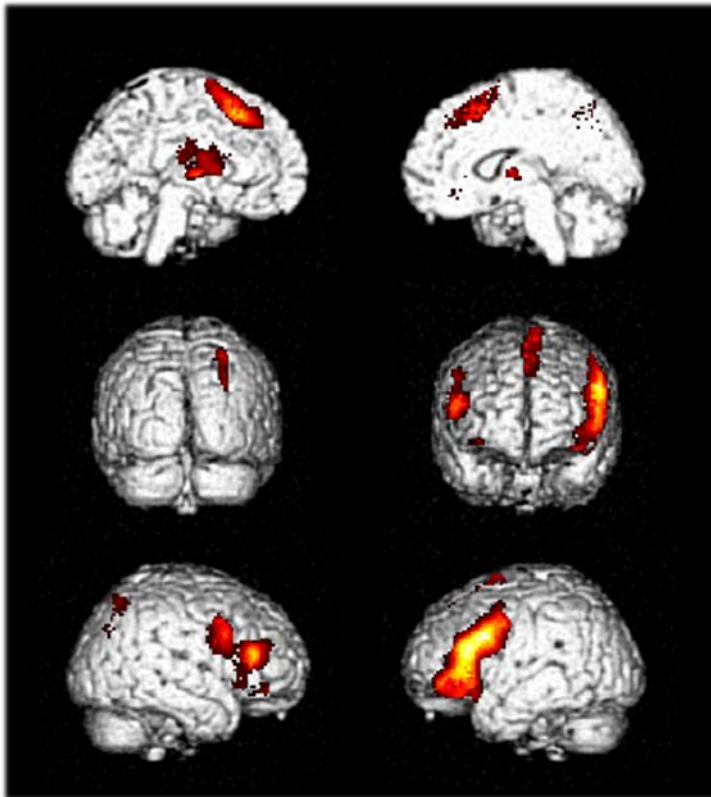
word family (NB) size

small large

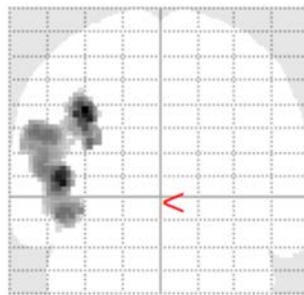
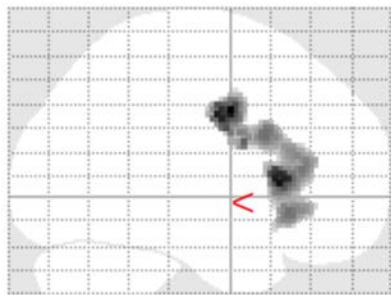


- *RT transparent < RT opaque*
- *Lexical activation and inhibition was revealed.*

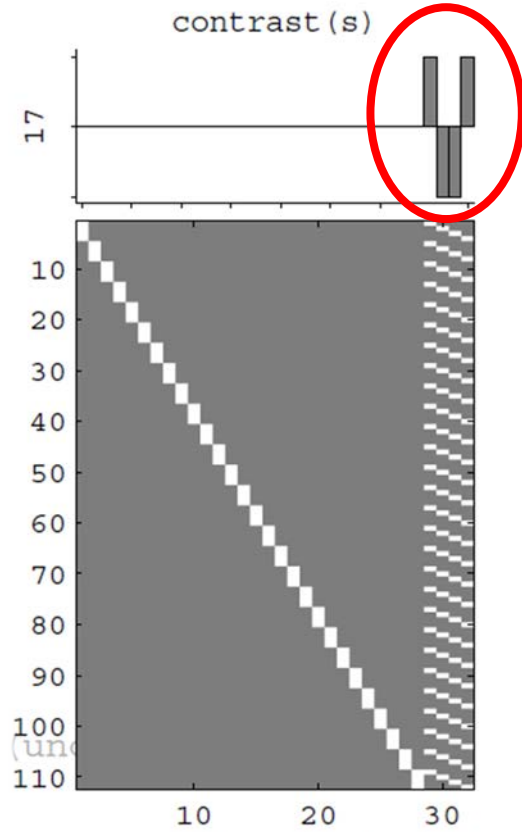
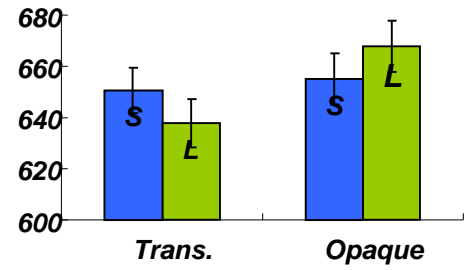
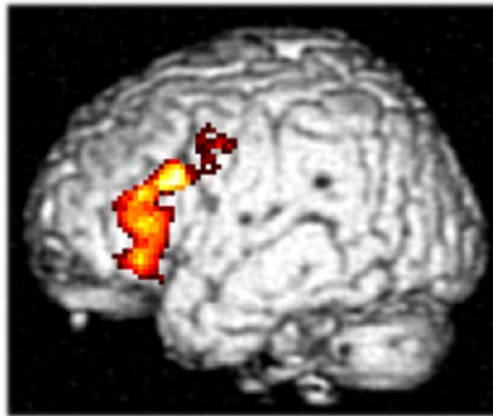
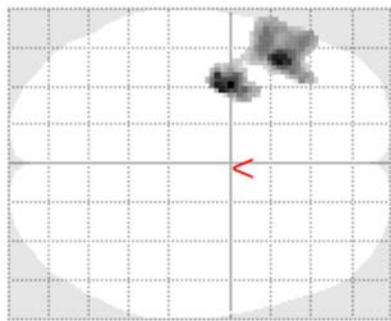
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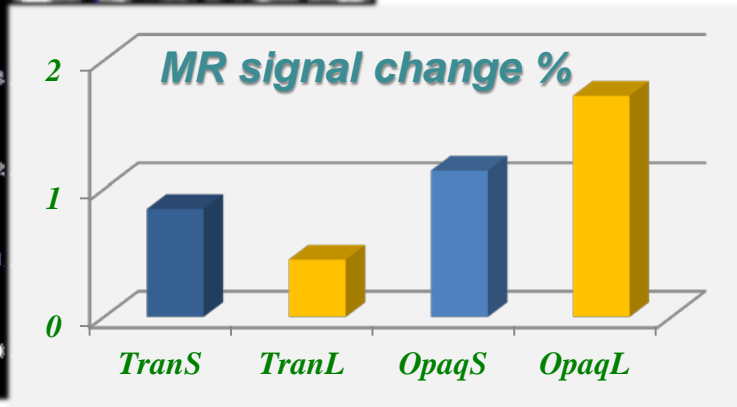
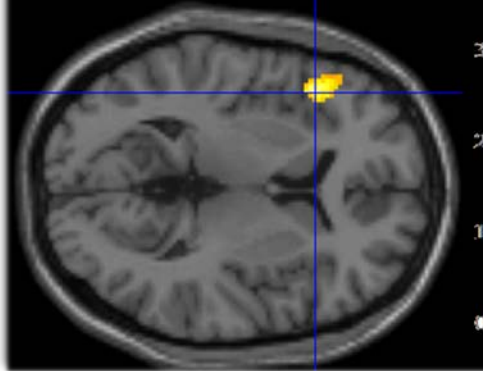
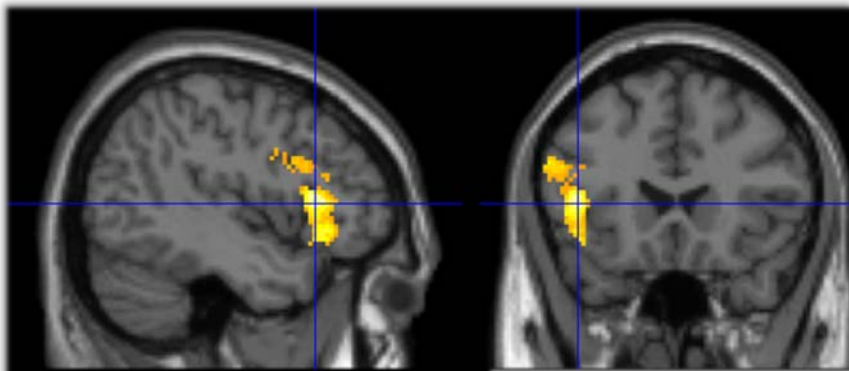
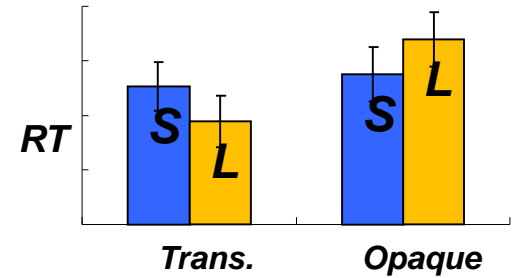
# Interaction of word type and family (NB) size (1/2)



SPM(z)



# Interaction of word type and family (NB) size (2/2)



*The most interesting part is the finding that there is a brain area to host interaction between different word types and family sizes, suggesting existence of a lexical control mechanism.*

