



Basic Science of Non-invasive Neuromodulation in Psychiatry

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Psychopharmacology: What now?

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Editorial

Has psychopharmacology got a future?

Philip J. Cowen



Summary

Fifty years ago pharmacological discoveries transformed psychiatry but progress since then has been relatively slow and there is unease about the role of industry. Despite this, the possibilities of pharmacological treatment have improved in recent years but exploiting developments for the benefit of patients requires psychotherapeutic skill as well as a high level of scientific knowledge.

Declaration of interest

P.J.C. has been a paid member of boards that have advised different drug companies on the development of antidepressant drugs. In the past 3 years these companies have included Eli Lilly, Lundbeck and Servier. P.J.C. has also received remuneration for scientific advice given to legal representatives of GlaxoSmithKline.

Psychopharmacology: Some hard truths...

- Most **prescribing of psychotropic drugs occurs outside** specialist psychiatric practice
- Between the blandishments of industry and the antipathy of critics, psychopharmacology has made **marginal incremental progress**
- **Few psychotropics in the pipeline**...recent ones not that effective as claimed in trials
- Psychopharmacology may have a golden past, but **does it have a future?**



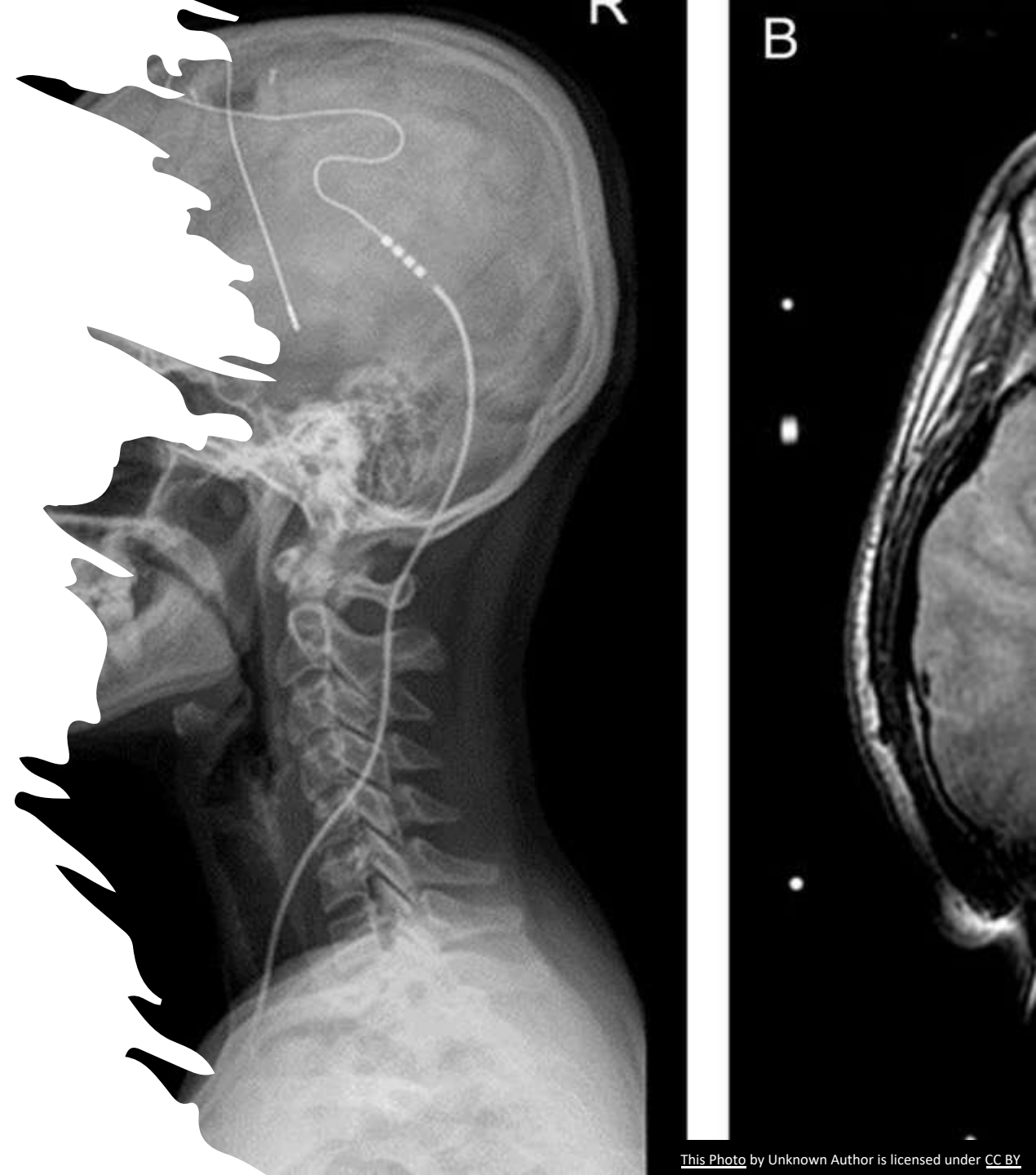
- **Technological and Scientific Advances Shaping Practice**
 - Genomics, proteomics, epigenetics, neuroimmunology, neuropsychology
 - Advanced neuroimaging and studies of brain circuitry
 - Supercomputing-based advanced artificial intelligence (AI), Robotics and back engineering
 - Big data mining and management
 - Smart psychotherapy

- **New Areas of Psychiatric Specialization**

- **Precision Psychiatry/Neuromodulation: Customised Psychiatry**

What is Neuromodulation?

- Neuromodulation (or brain stimulation) is defined as a field of science, medicine, and bioengineering that encompasses implantable and non-implantable technologies, electrical or chemical, for the purpose of improving quality of life and functioning of humans, by the international neuromodulation society



Success Story of NIBS/Neuromodulation

thebmj Visual Abstract



Systematic review and network meta-analysis

Non-surgical brain stimulation

Comparative efficacy and acceptability for the acute treatment of major depressive episodes in adults

Summary



The findings provide evidence to consider non-surgical brain stimulation techniques as alternative or add-on treatments

Data sources

113 RCTs

High
17%



Low
34%

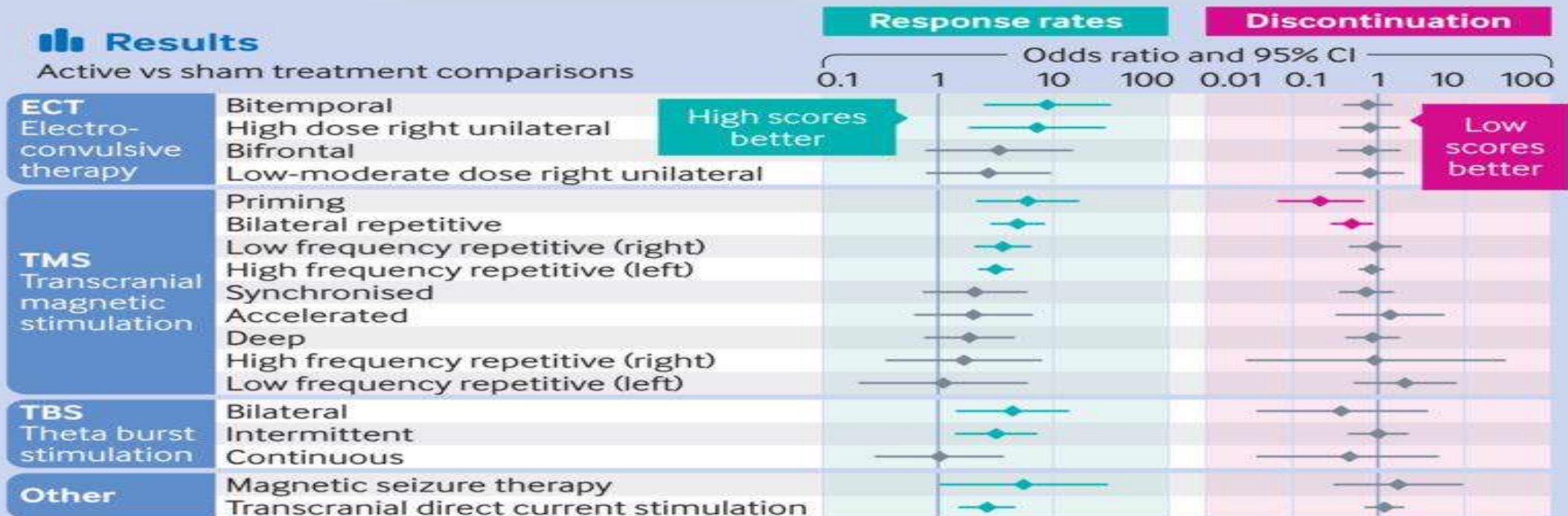
Unclear
50%

6750

Adults with major depressive disorder or bipolar depression

Results

Active vs sham treatment comparisons



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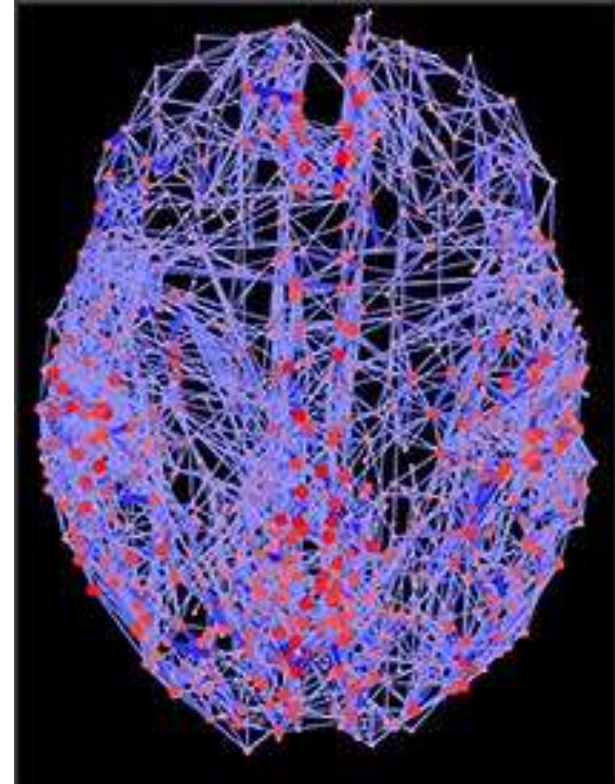
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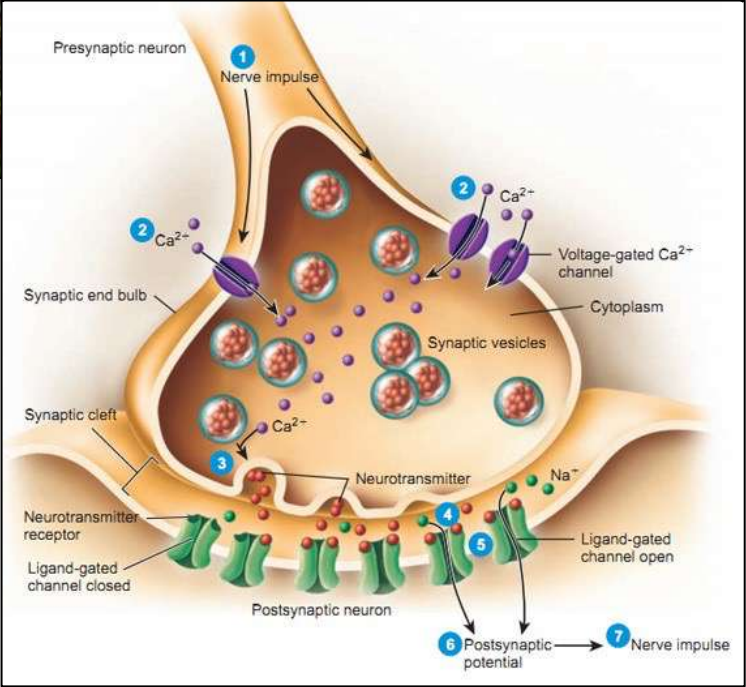
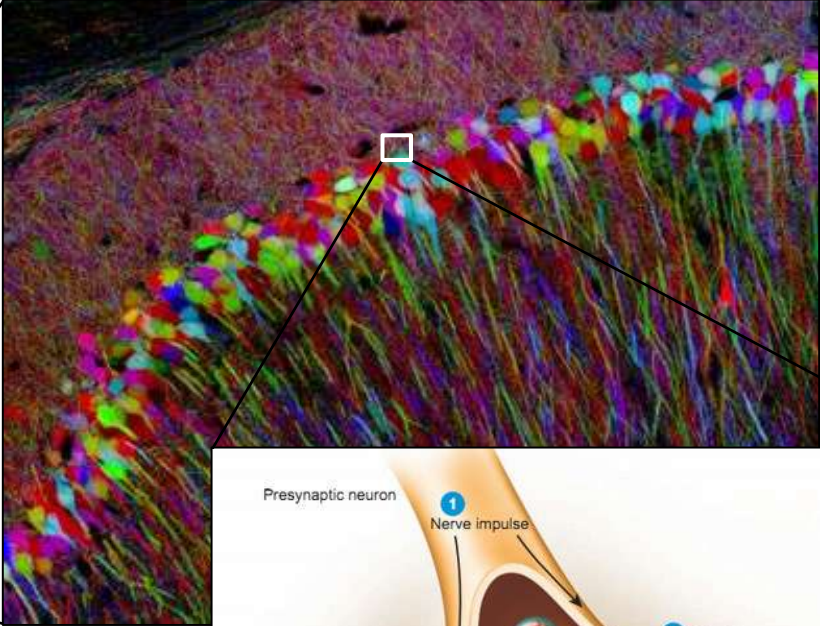
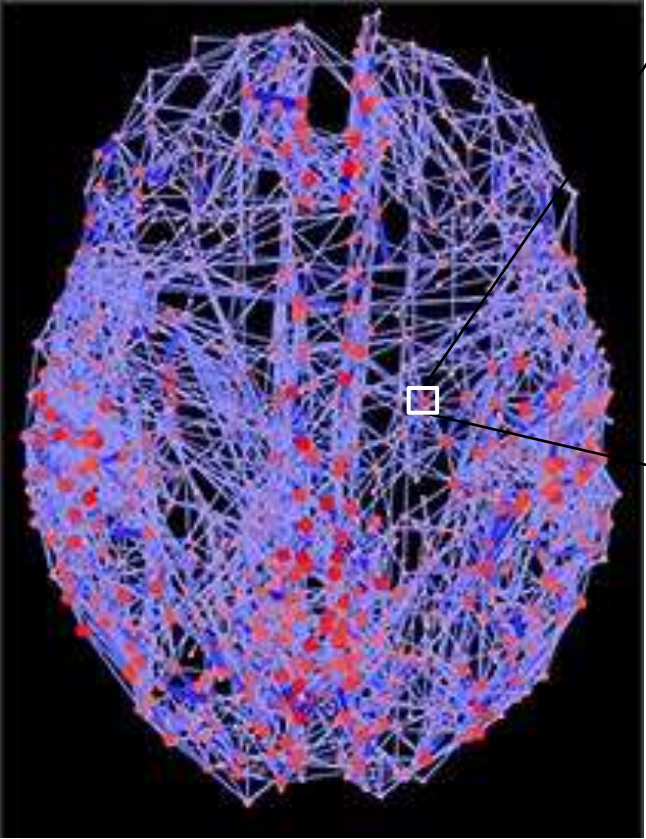
Basic Assumptions

- Underlying premise of neuromodulation is that the **brain is an electrochemical organ** that can be **modulated** by pharmacotherapy or device-based (ECT / TMS) approaches or their combination
- Explosion of new techniques for electrically stimulating the brain, primarily focally
- New tools are **changing neuroscience research and neuropsychiatric therapies**
- They validate and inform us about functional neuroanatomy

The brain is a complex, *electrochemical network*

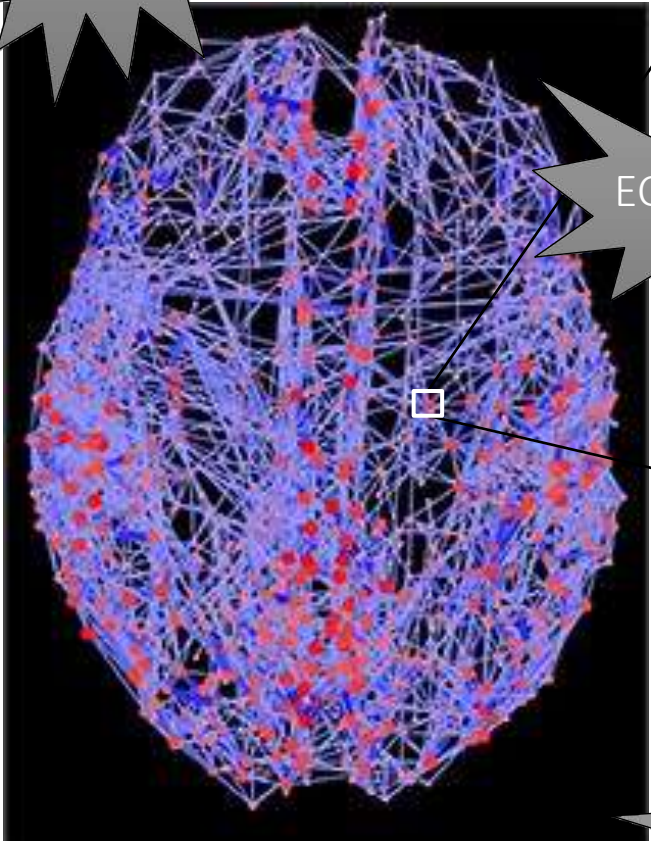


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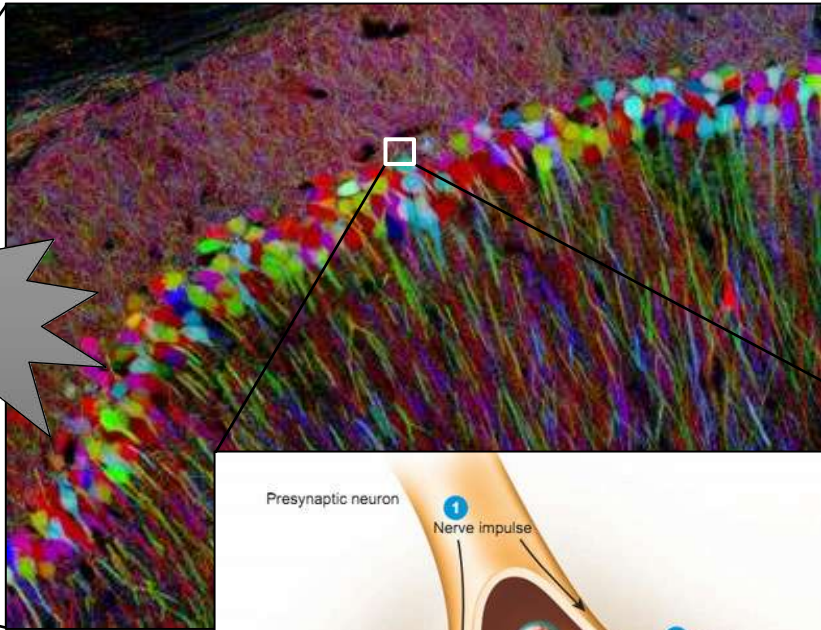


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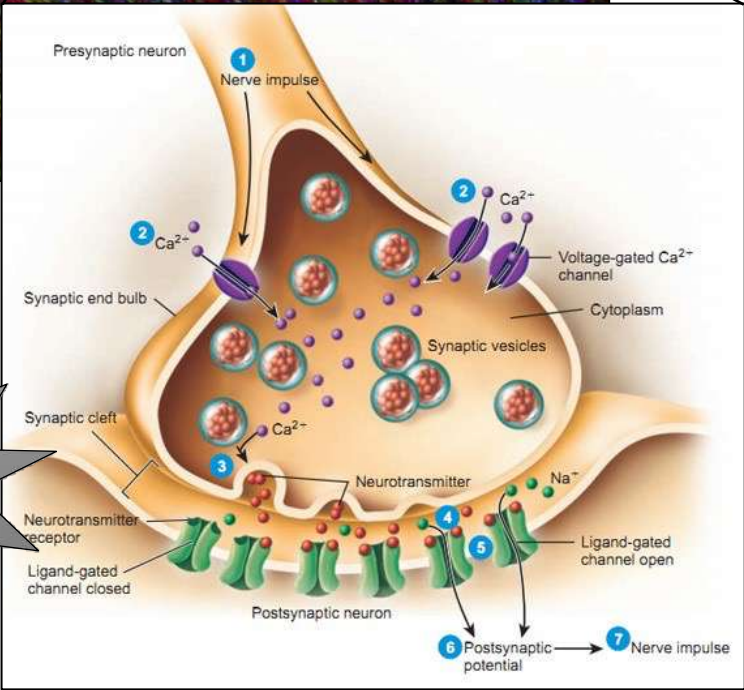
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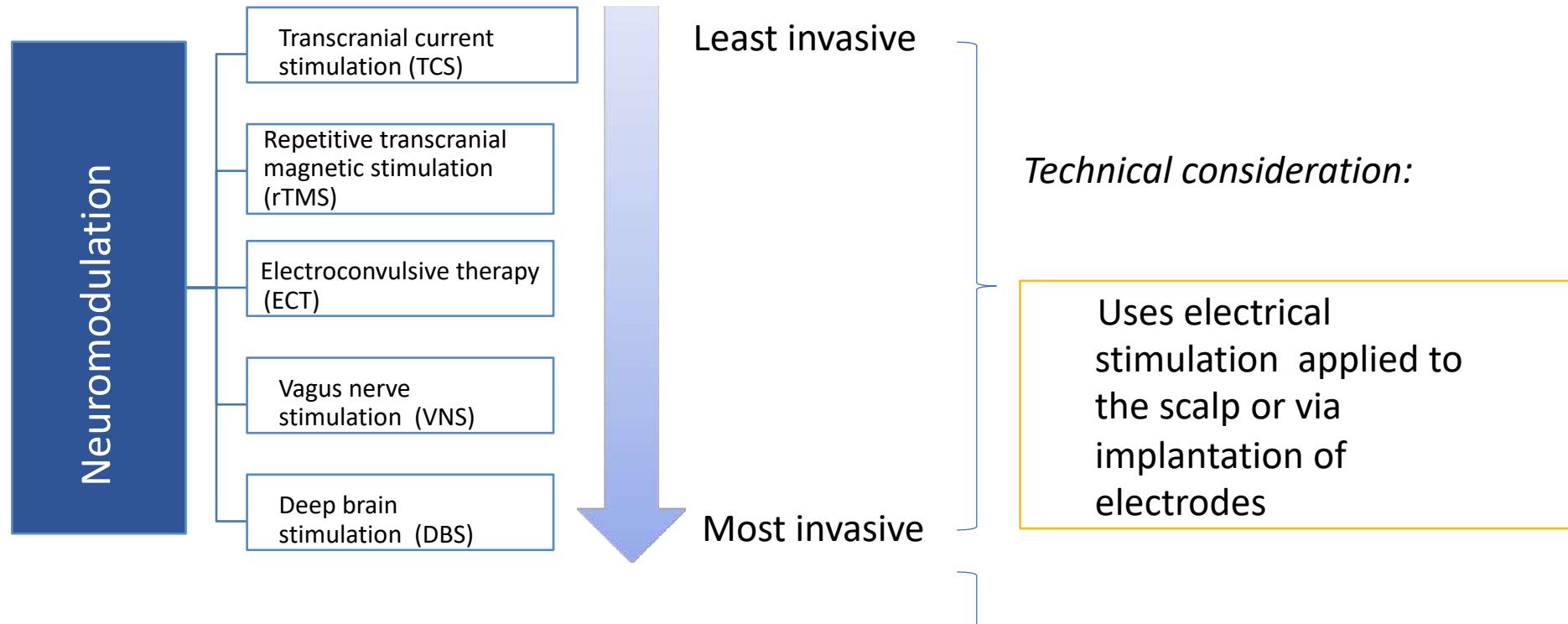
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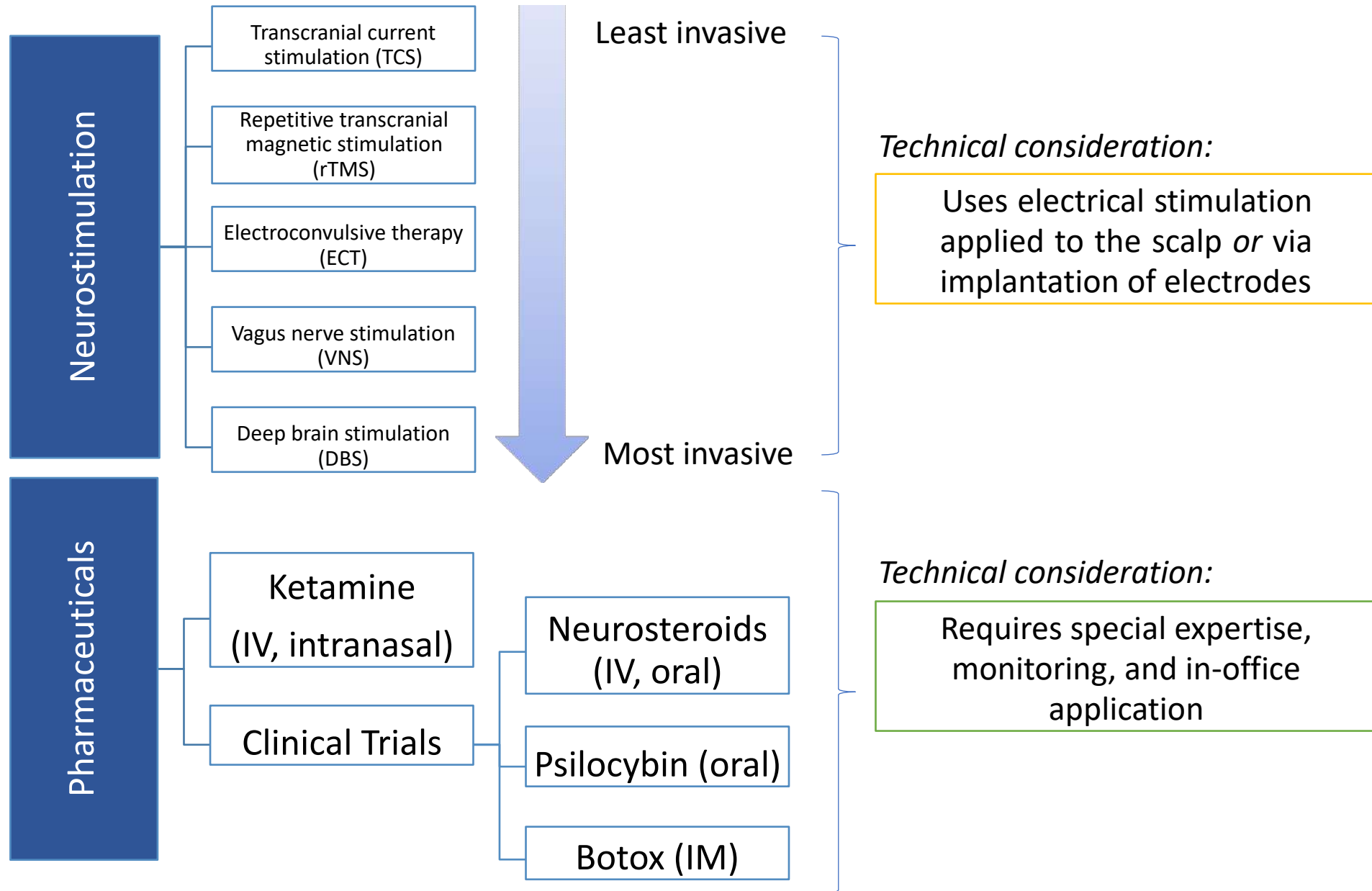
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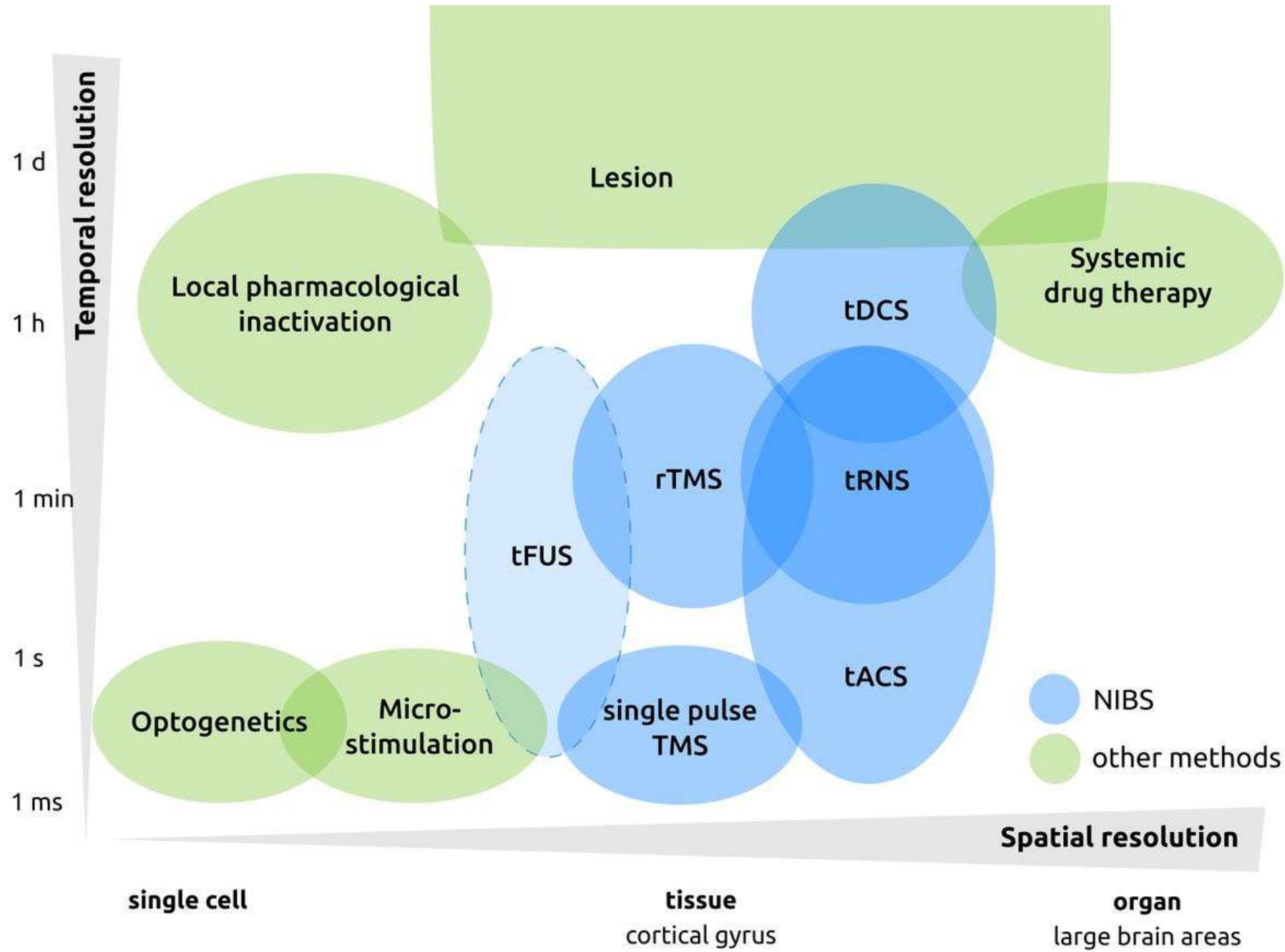


Interventional Psychiatry: Treatments



Interventional Psychiatry: Treatments





Current State of Neuromodulation

- Nearly a **dozen forms of brain stimulation** are in **development** or currently **US FDA approved** for neuropsychiatric indications
- **3 Journals** dedicated exclusively to brain stimulation
- Fortunately, leaders in psychiatric research, clinical practice, and education have recognized the **discrepancy between our field's direction and our current training schema**
- Traditional training curricula offer **informal, inconsistent, and limited training opportunities in neurotechnologies such as neuromodulation and diagnostic modalities**

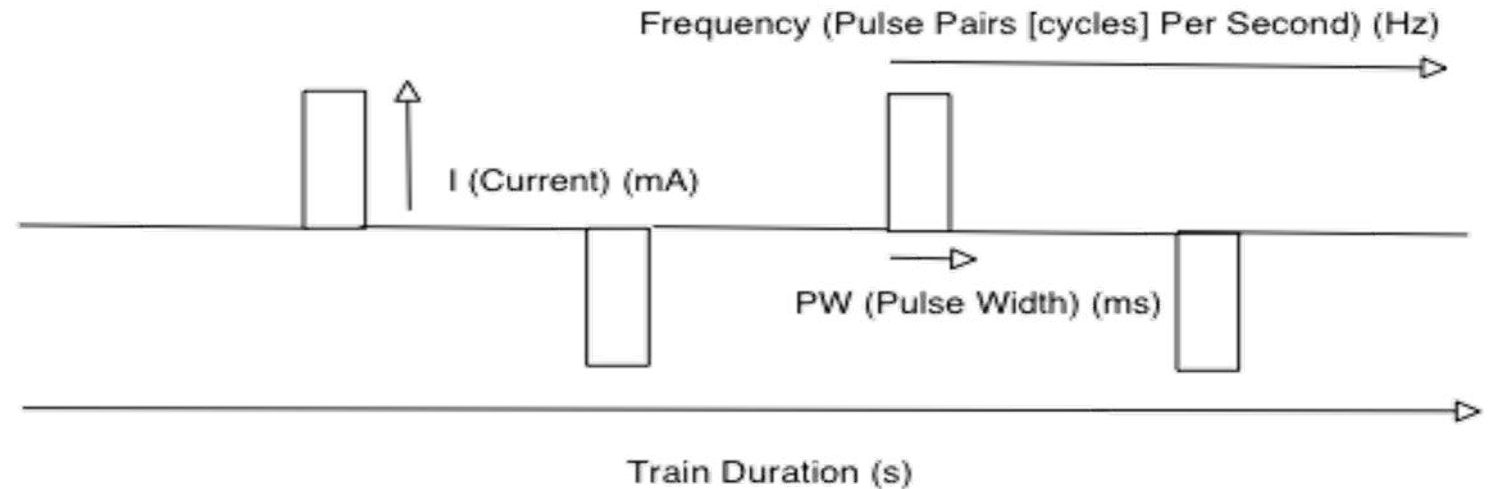
ECT

- ECT is the father of the brain stimulation
- Long way after Cerletti & Bini-more than 80 years
- Modern ECT: unilateral ultra-brief pulses-pulses are even briefer
- ECT still carries risks and has cognitive side effects

Refining the Electrical Stimulus

- Titrating and dosing in the current domain
- Unidirectional stimulation

Constant Current, Bidirectional, Brief or Ultrabrief, Rectangular Pulse Stimulation



Unidirectional Stimulation (Anode, Cathode) as in FEAST



Focal Electrically Administered Seizure Therapy

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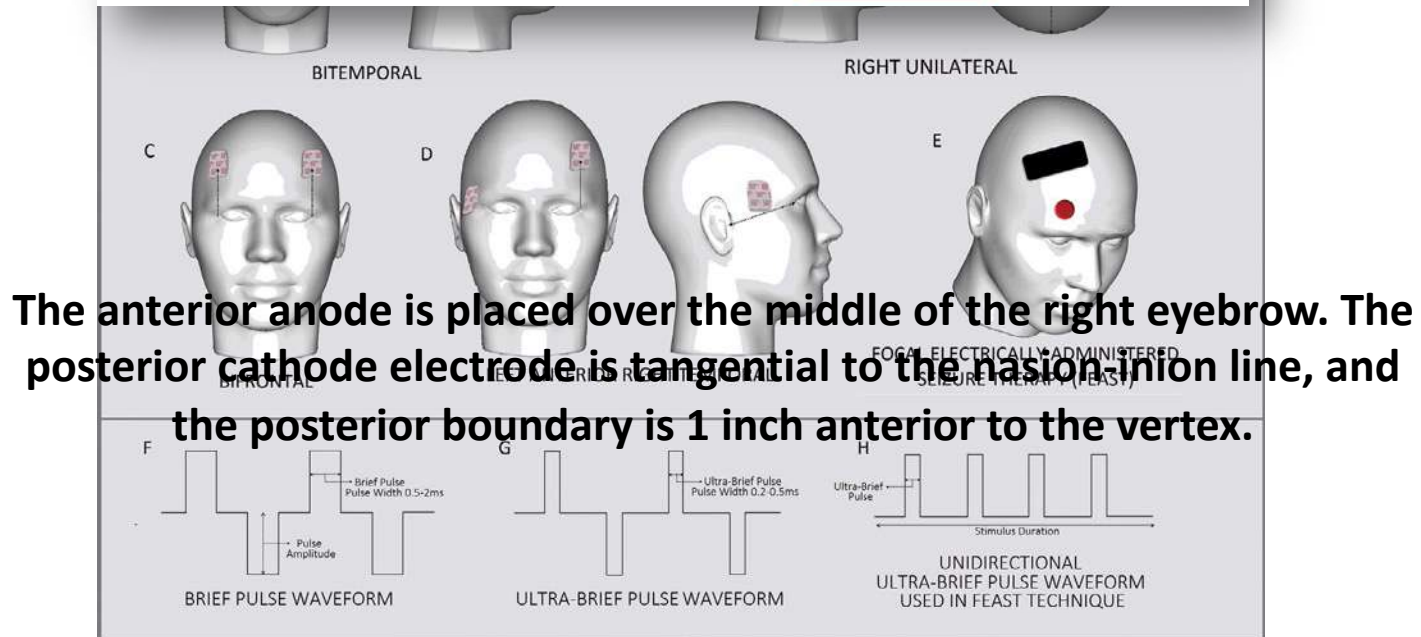
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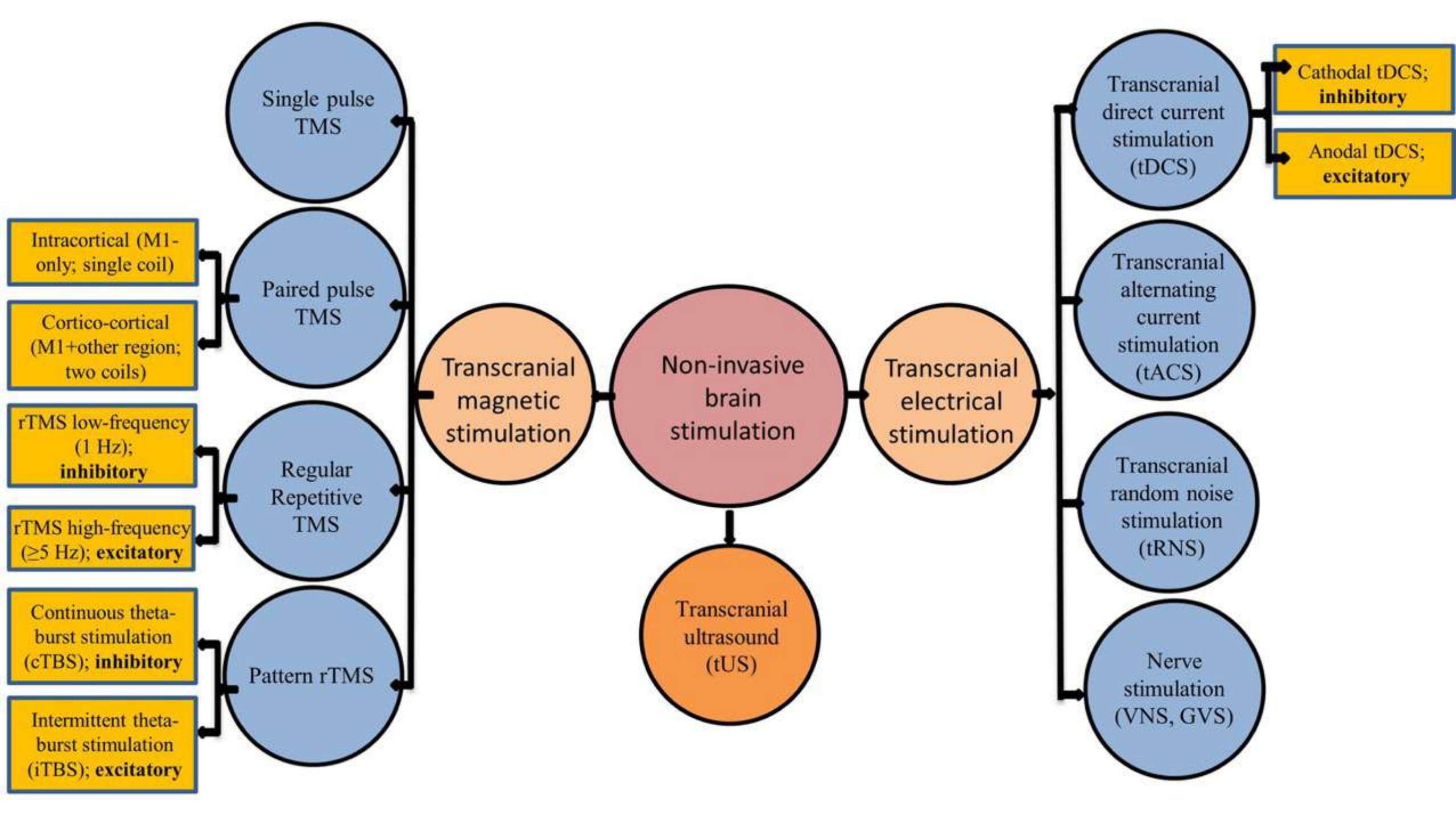
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Functional neuroimaging studies suggest a role of cortical governance over limbic activity

Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation

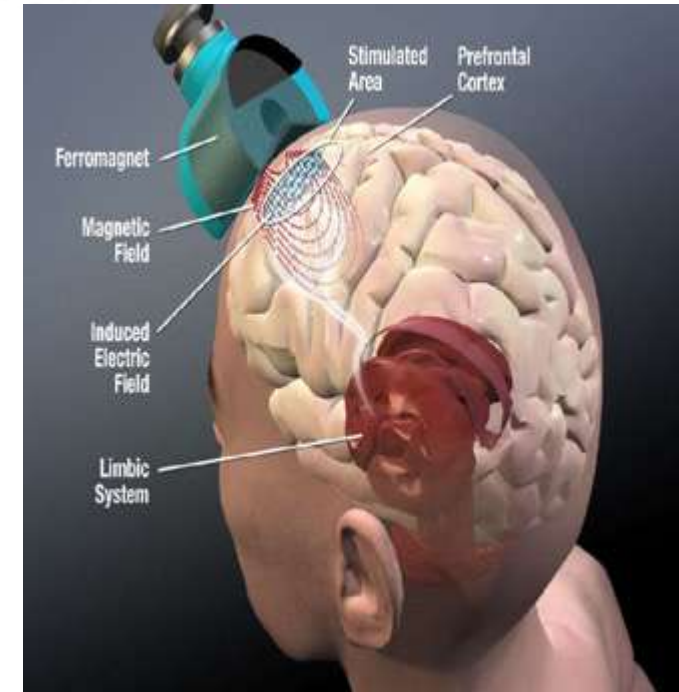
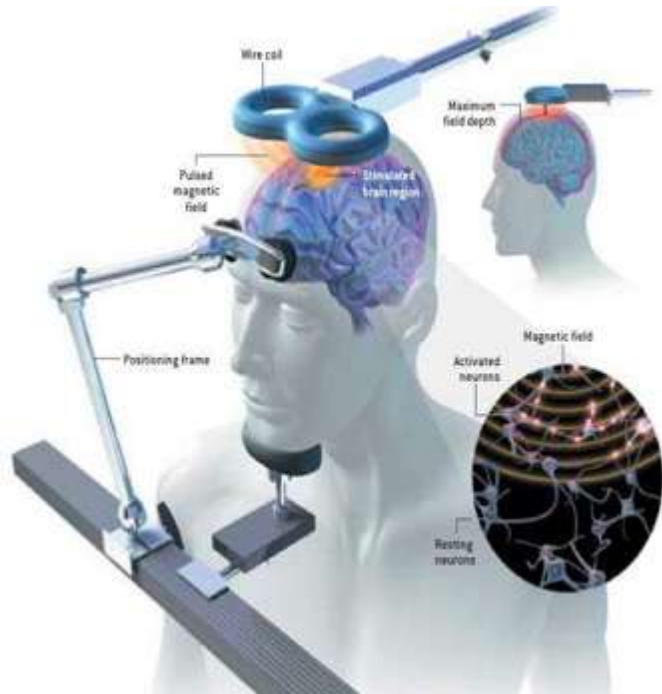
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Holy Grail

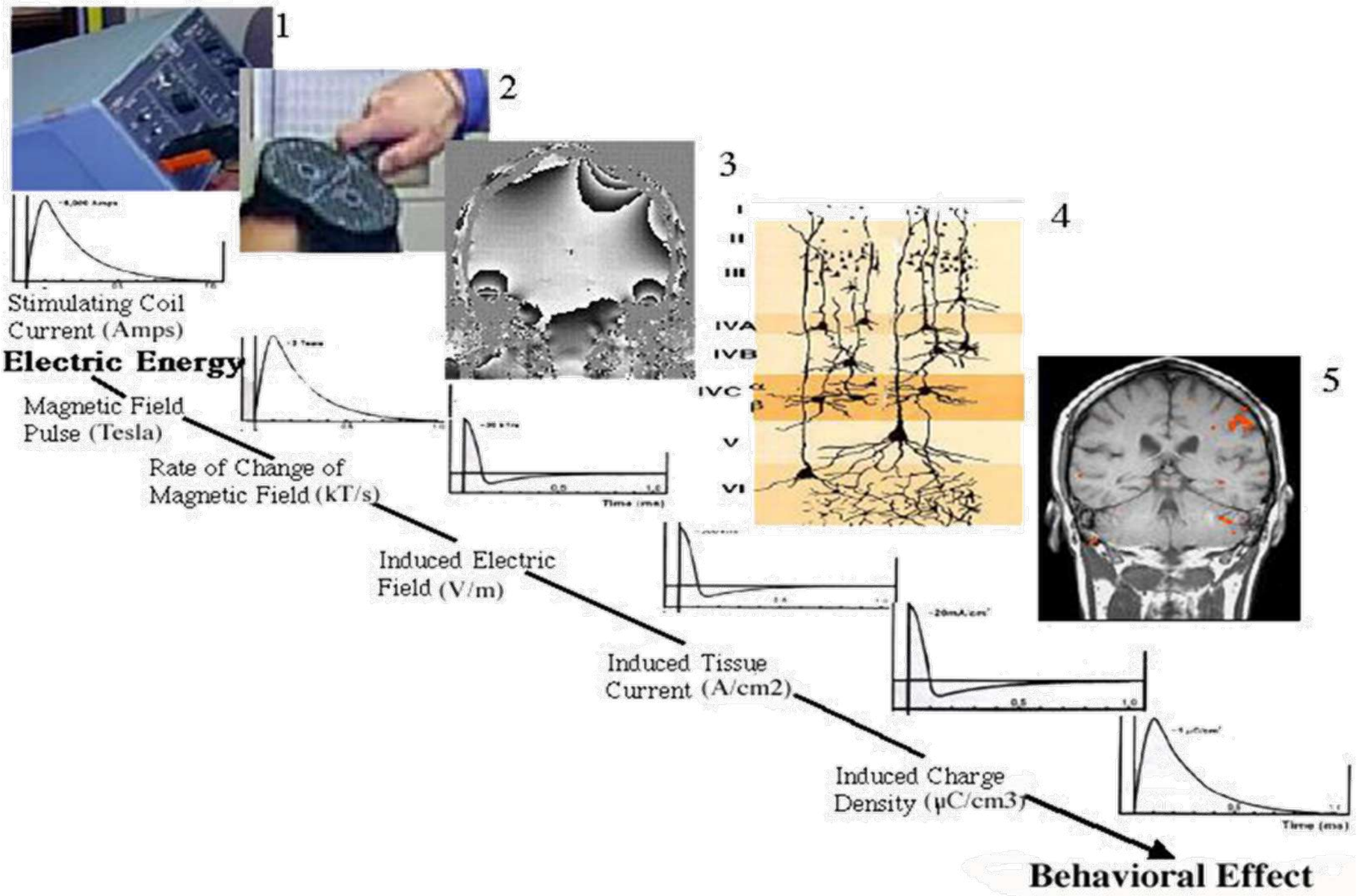
Focal

Noninvasive


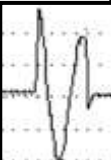
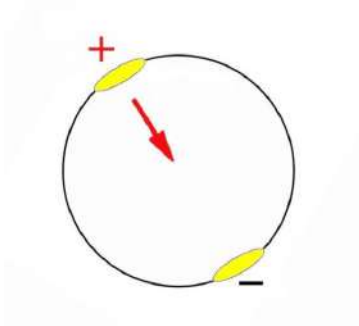
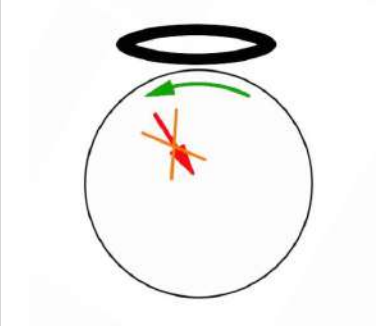
Nonconvulsive



stimulate the prefrontal cortex to



How do ECT and TMS differ?

	ECT 	TMS 
Direction of induced current	Radial 	Tangential 
Current reaches deep structures	Yes	No
Anesthesia Required	Yes	No
Seizure induced	Yes	No

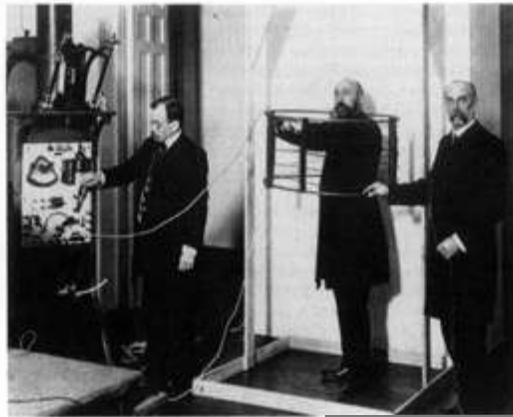
Funny Pictures



Faraday, 1831



Magnusson & Stevens, 1911



d'Arsonval(1896/1911)



Thompson, 1910

Modern Stimulator



Barker, 1984

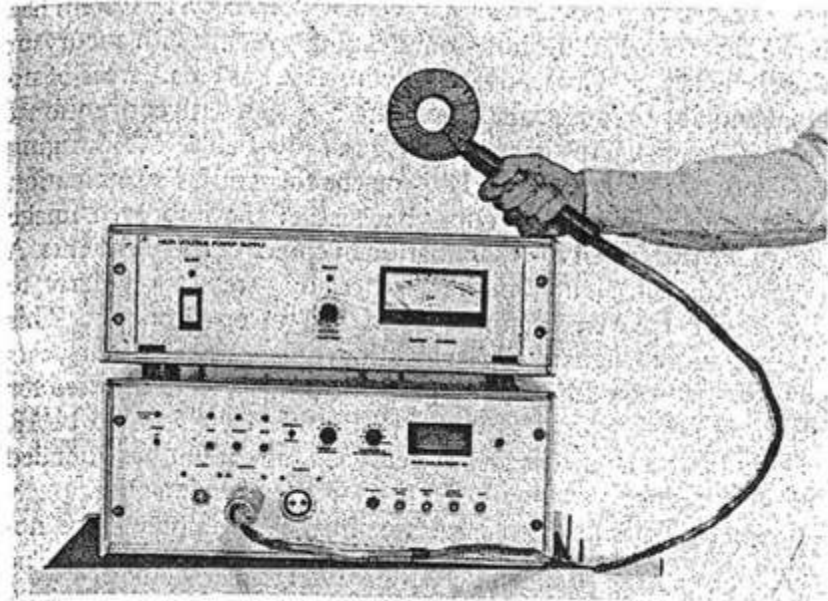


Fig 1—Magnetic stimulator and coil.

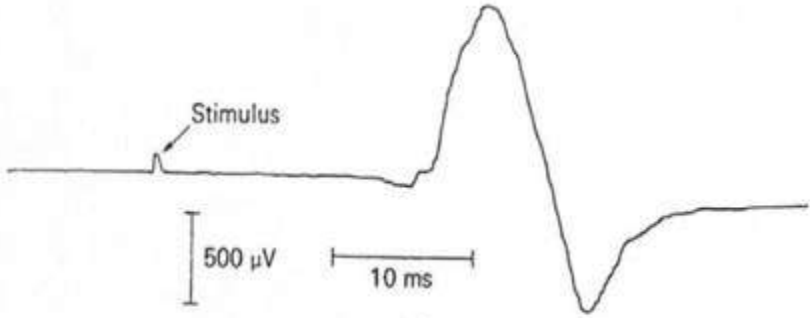


Fig. 1. Action potential (surface electrodes) in forearm flexor muscles, after a magnetic stimulus to the opposite motor area.

Physics of TMS: Electromagnetic induction

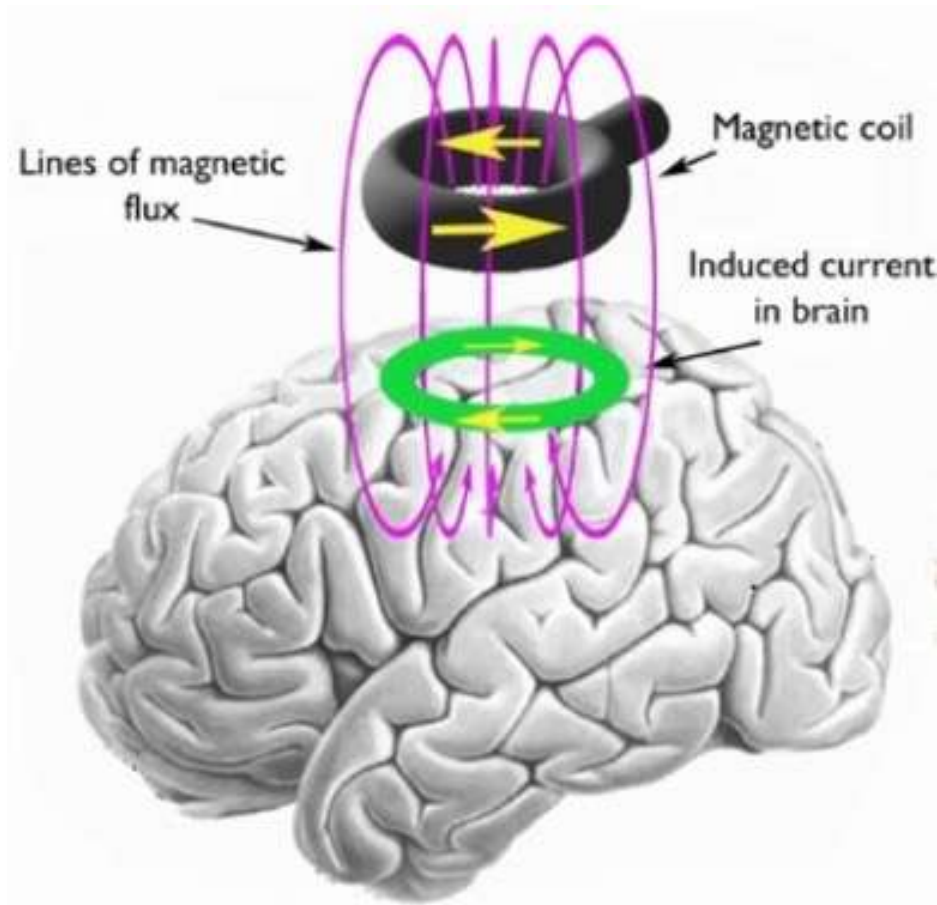
Pulsed electric current in a coil



Fluctuating magnetic field



Induced eddy currents in a nearby conductor



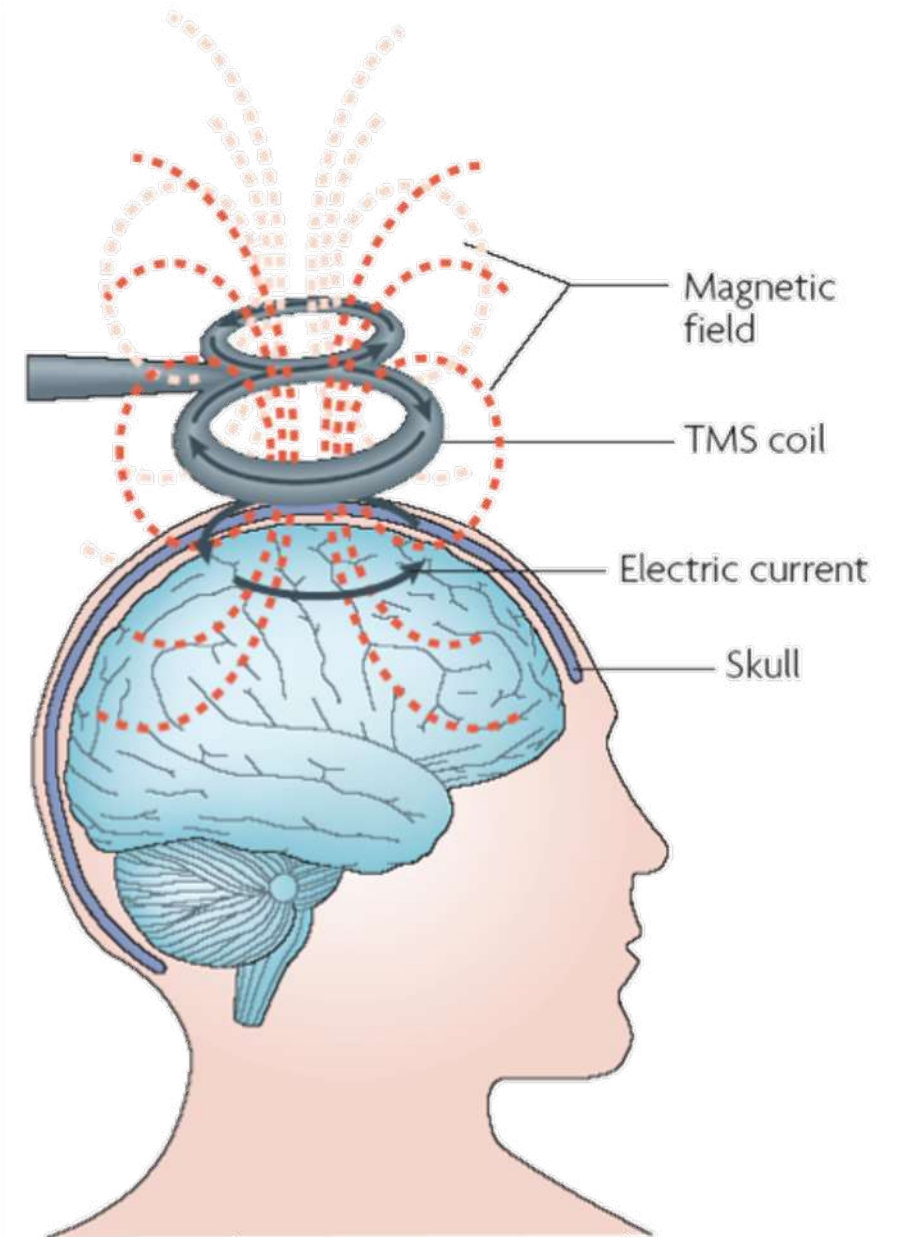
Biot Savart Law

Faraday's law

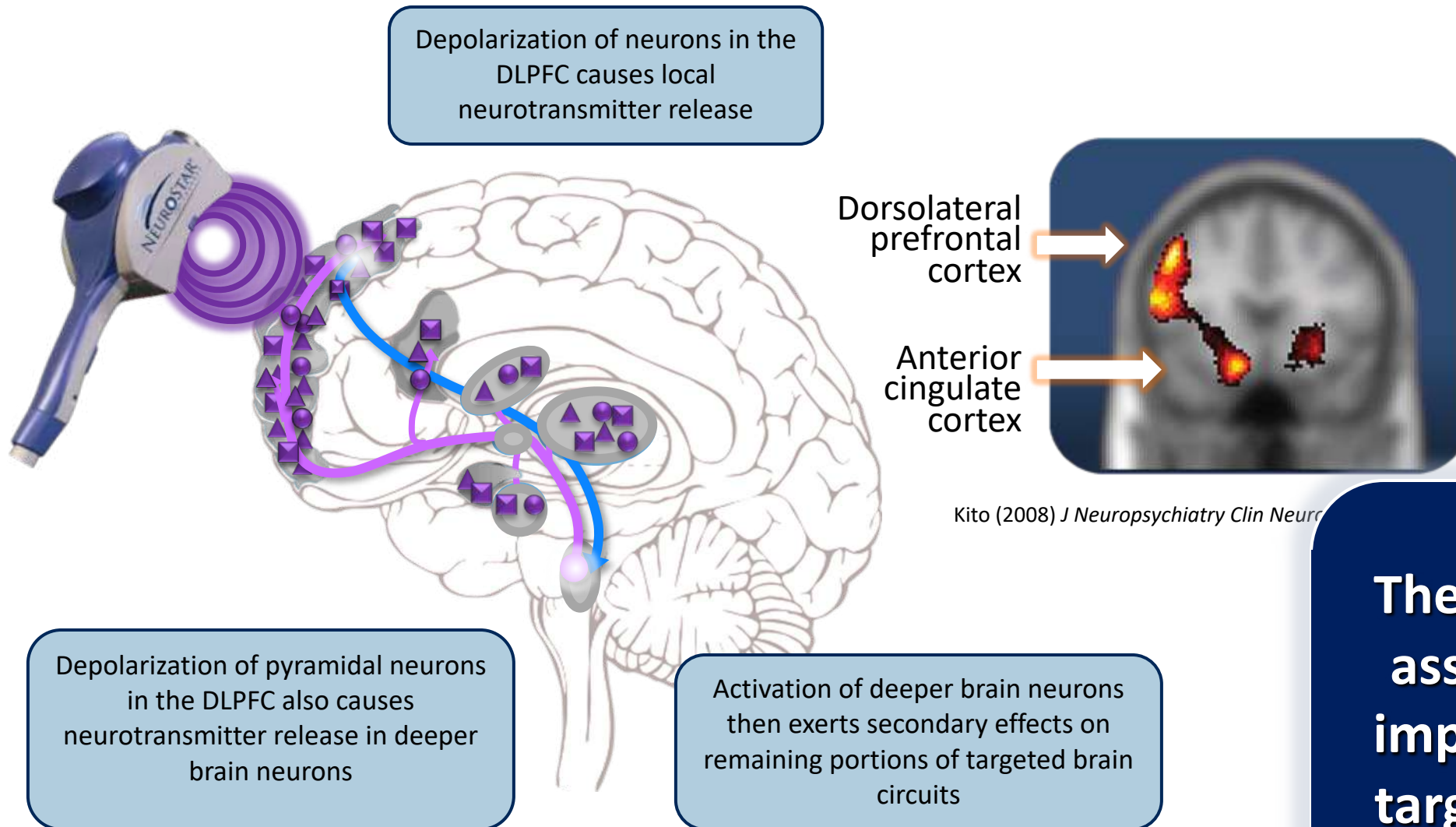
Ohm's law

Mechanism of Action

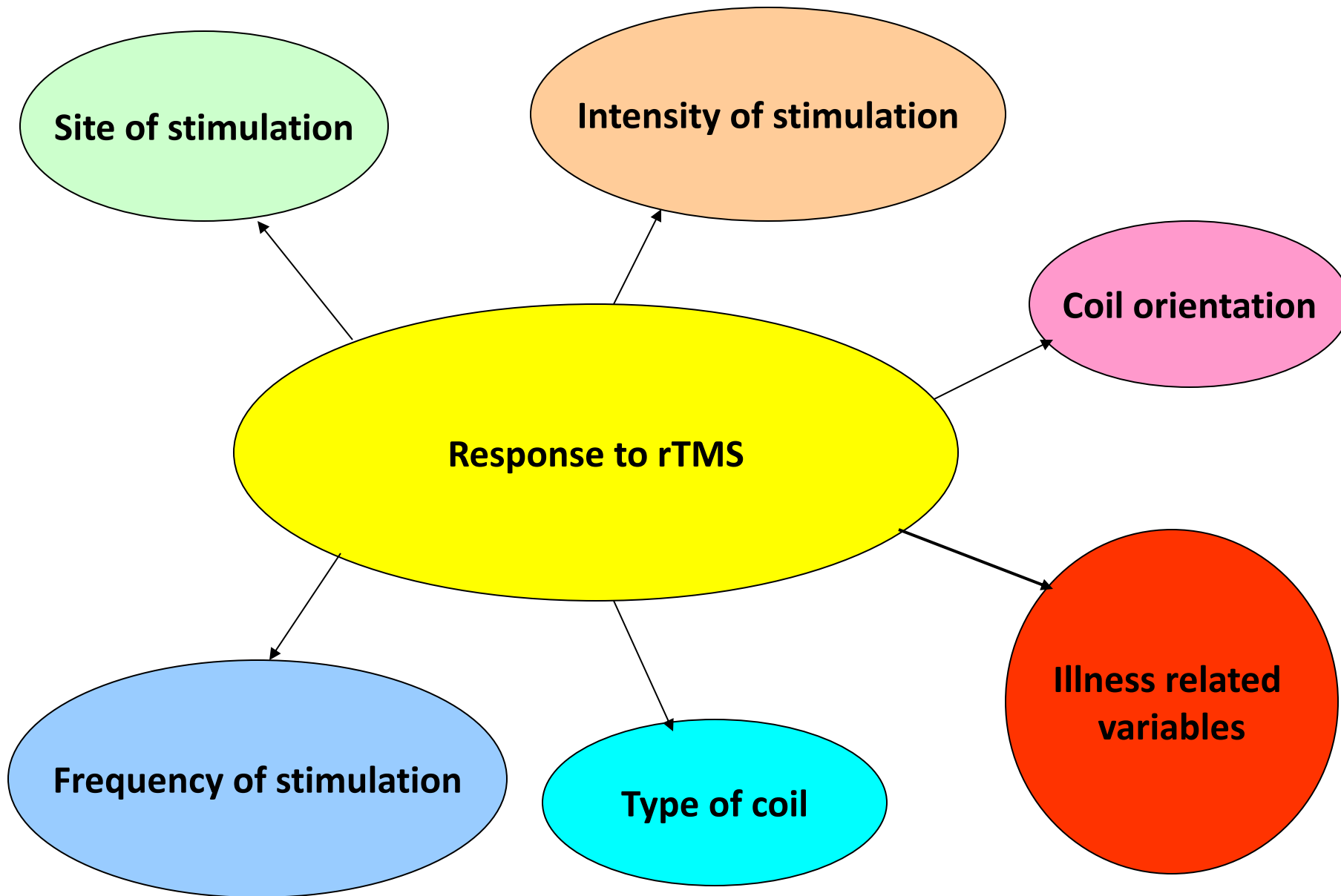
- **Electrical pulses of**
 - sufficient strength,
 - short enough duration and
 - rapidly changing
- **Rapidly changing magnetic pulses penetrate scalp and skull to reach the brain**
- These pulses induce a **secondary ionic current** in the brain leading to **neuronal depolarization**



Mechanism of Action - TMS



These effects are associated with improvements in target symptoms



Types of coils: Quest for depth

(A)



Circular

(B)



Figure-of-8

(C)



Bat-wing

(D)



Double Cone

H1 Coil
for Depression &
Anxious Depression



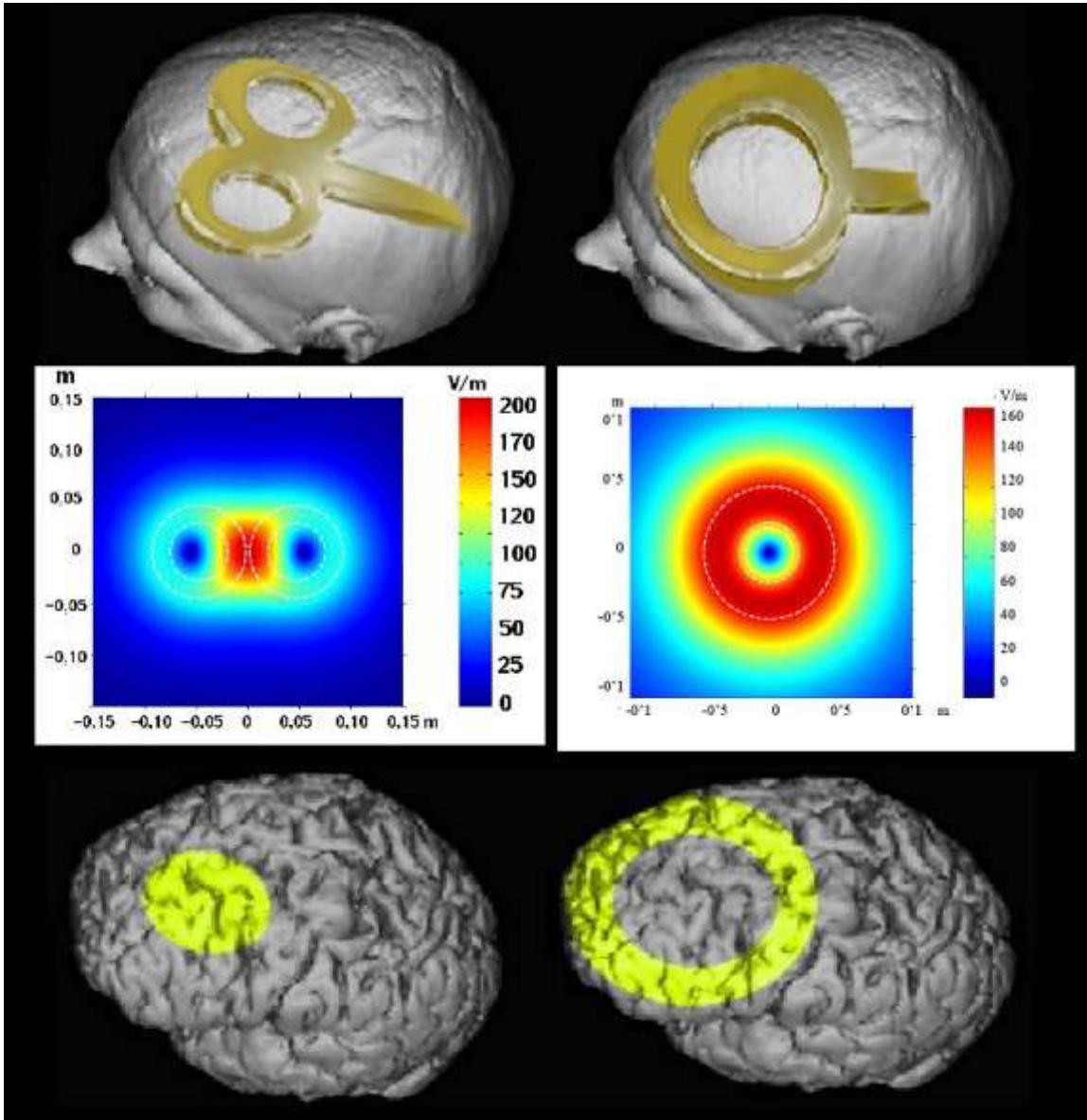
H7 Coil
for OCD



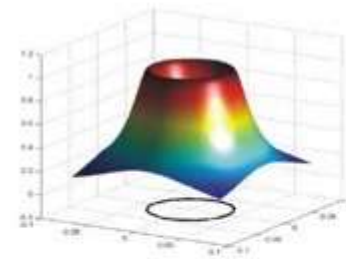
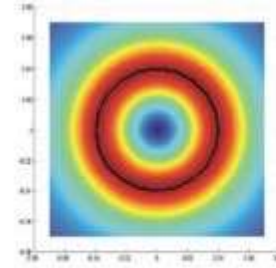
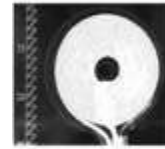
H4 Coil
for Smoking Addiction



Spatial resolution: Coil Shape

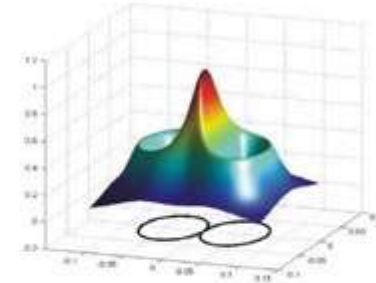
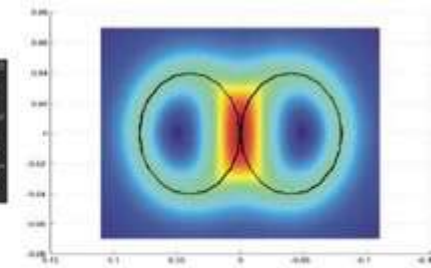


Round



- Field has "trough shape"
- Rather unfocal

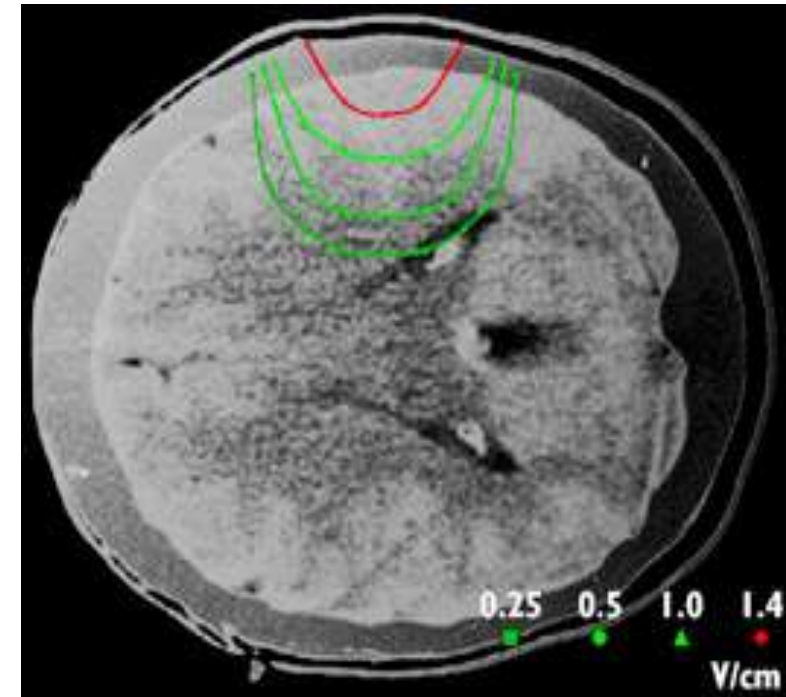
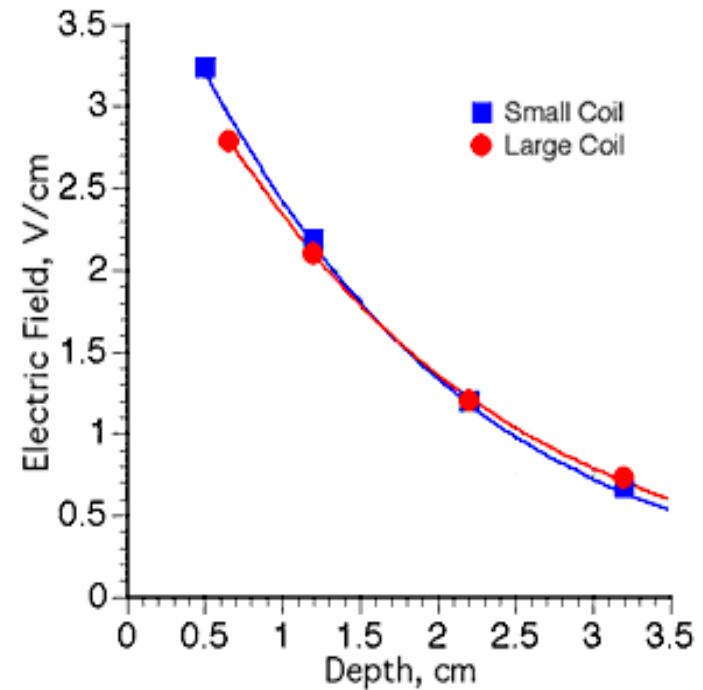
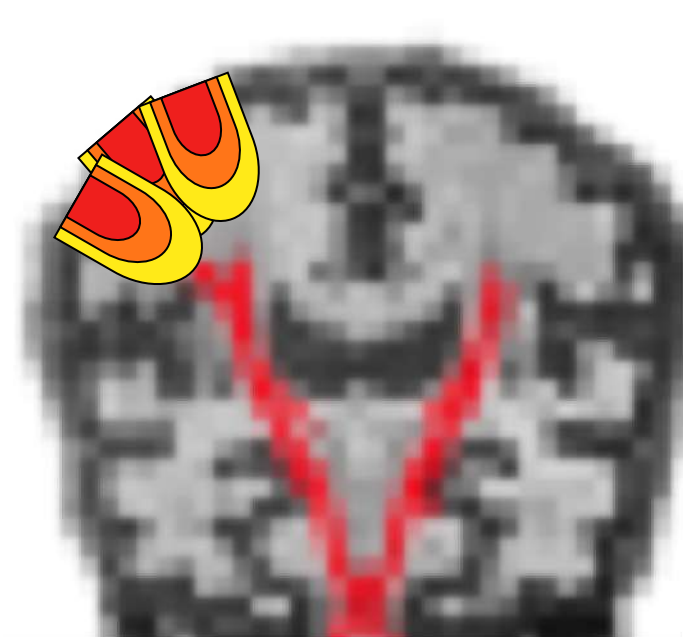
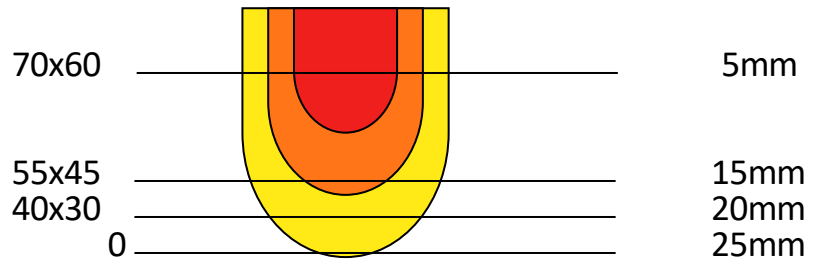
Figure-8



- Field peaks underneath the intersection of the two wire loops

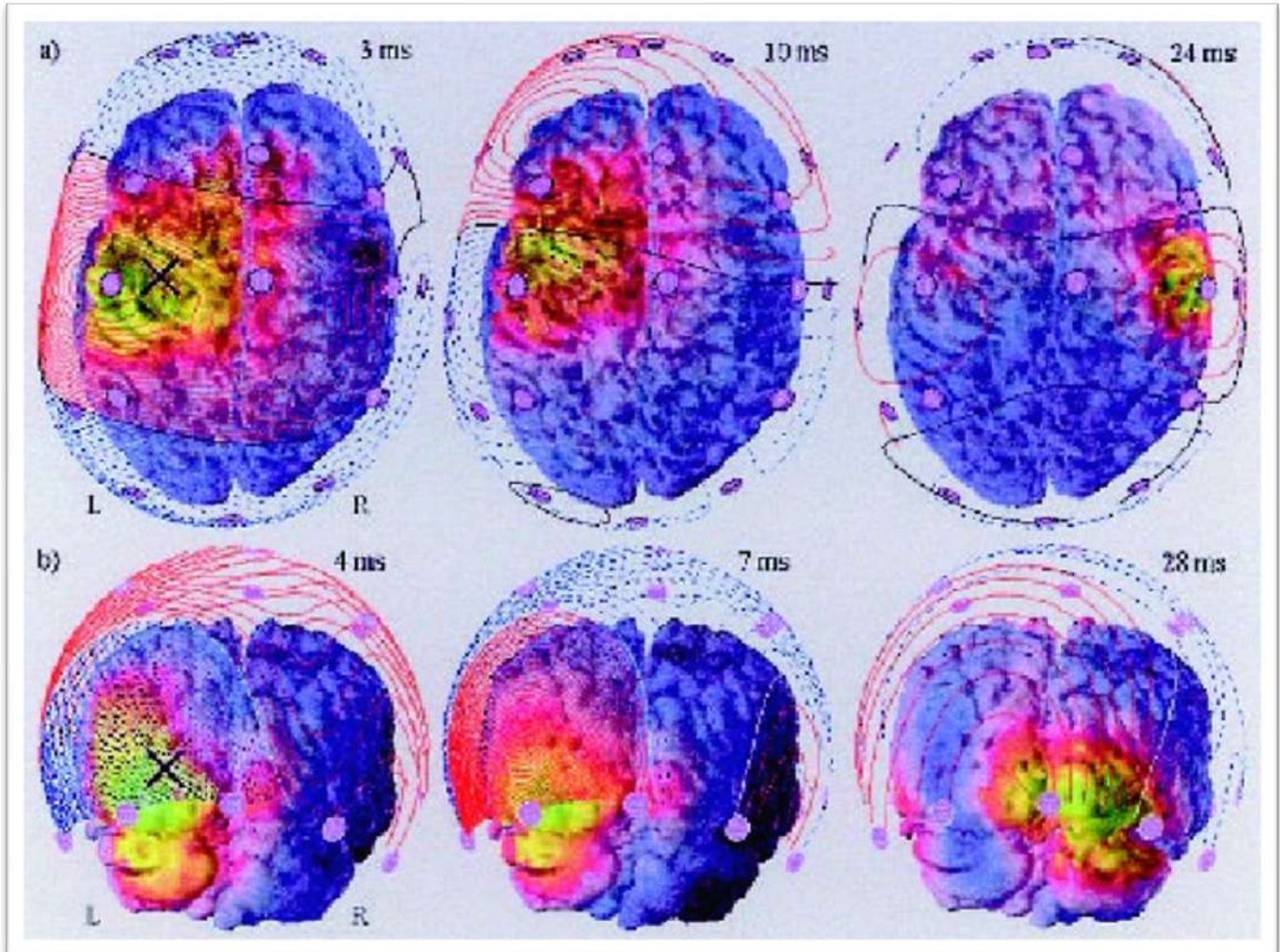
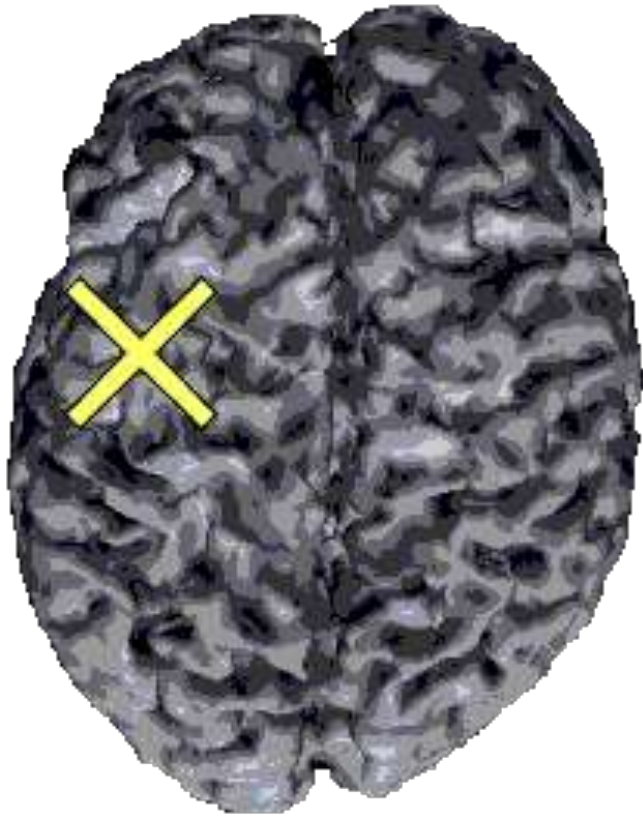
Geometry of coil determines the focality of magnetic field and of the induced current - hence also of the targeted brain area

Stimulation Depth



Cannot stimulate medial or sub-cortical areas

Spread of Activation

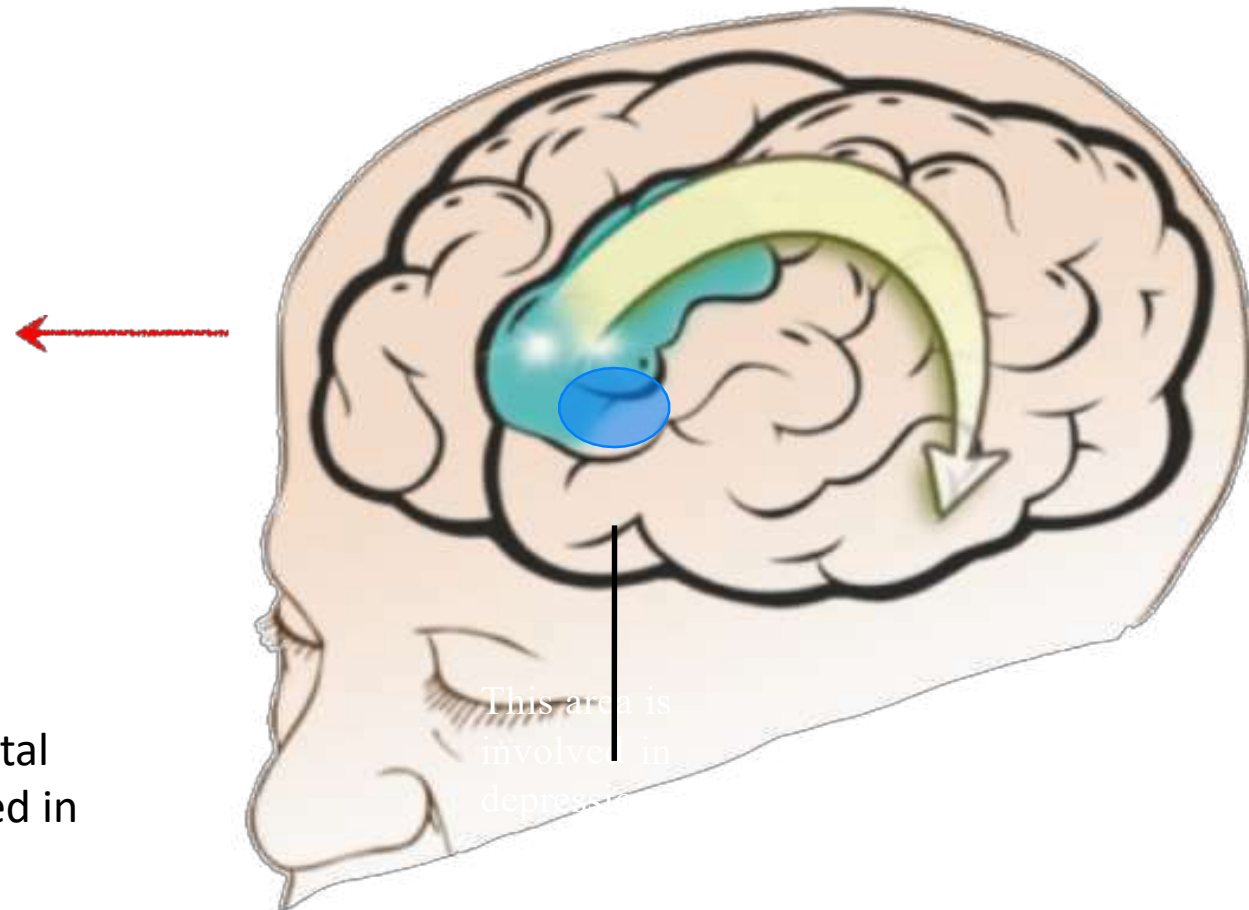


Brain Connectivity

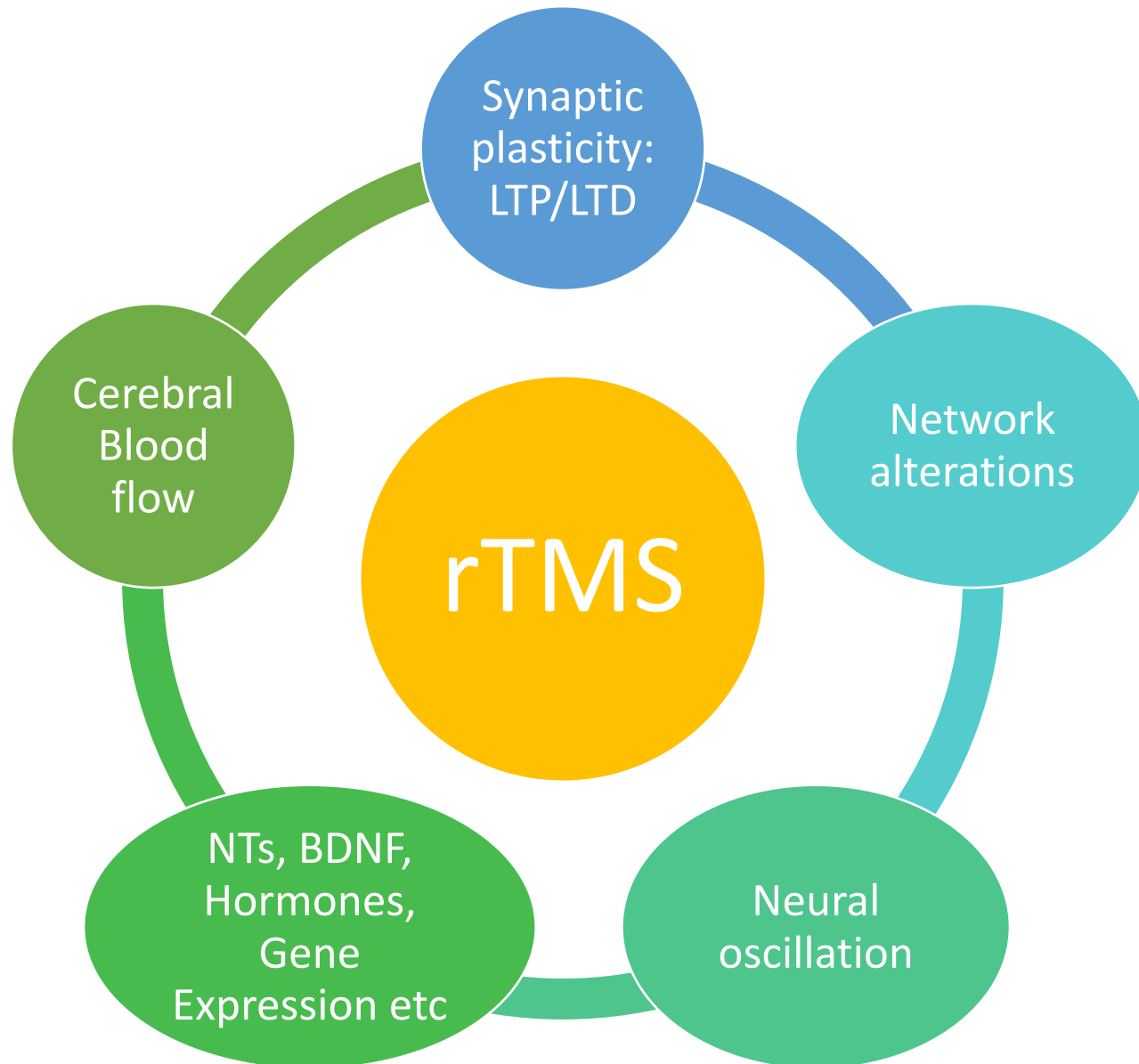
TMS

- Takes advantage of the natural brain circuitry
- Dorsolateral prefrontal cortex: DLPFC – (lateral aspect of the middle frontal gyrus)
- Interconnected with limbic structures that play a role in mood modulation & depression

Effect neural activity at the site of stimulation as well as distal regions that are interconnected with the DLPFC – implicated in mood, motivation and arousal

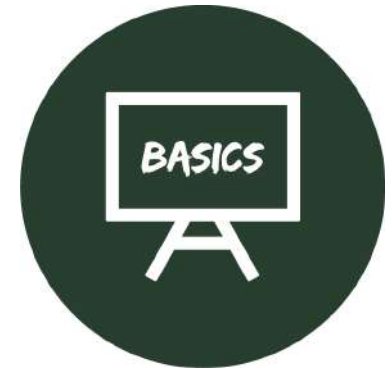
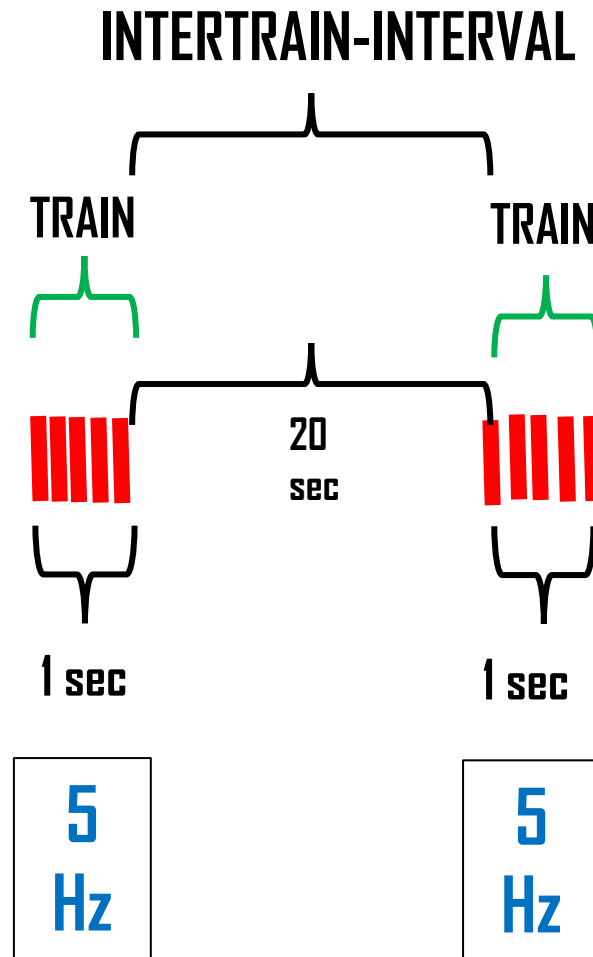


Mechanism of rTMS



Stimulation is Focal
but
Action is not local

SOUND OF CLICK: ONE PULSE

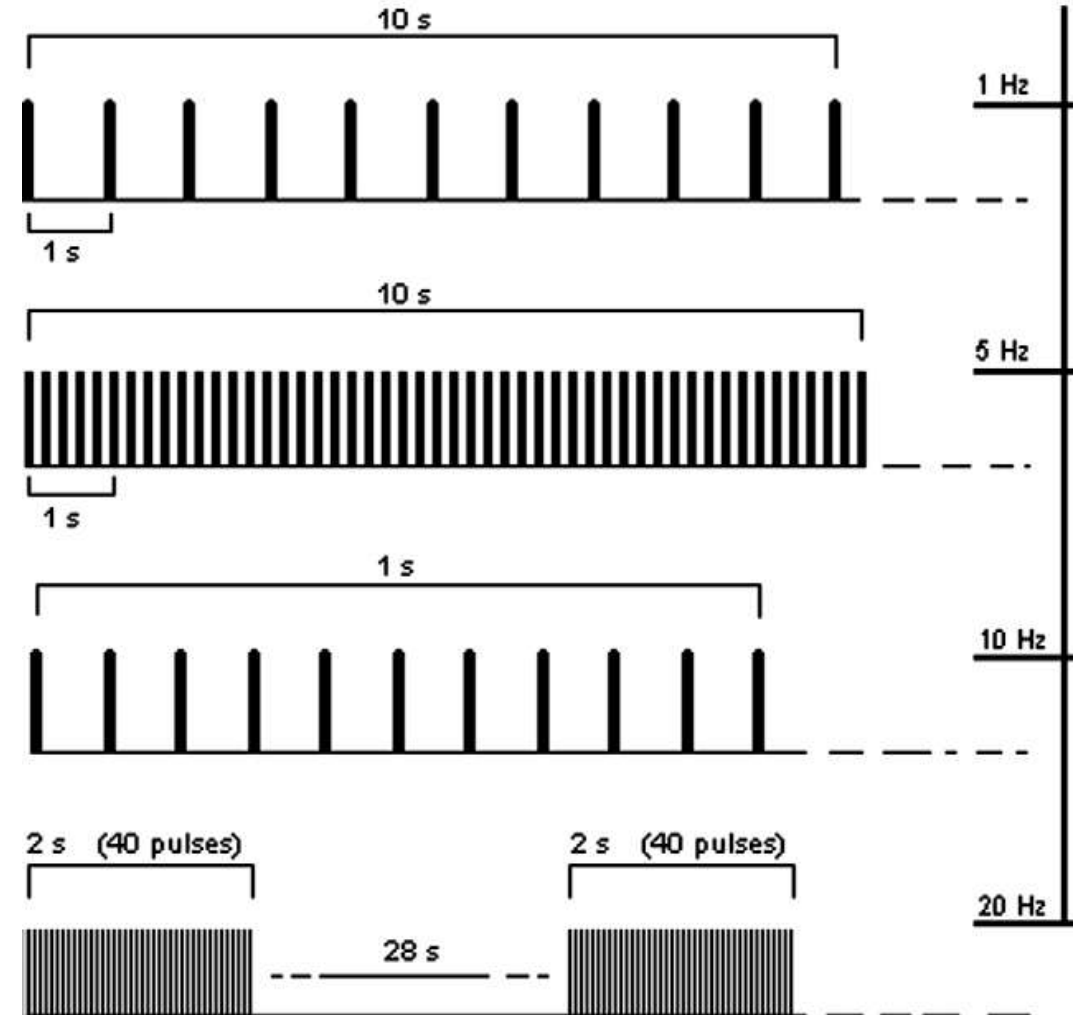




1 Hz: LOW FREQUENCY

> 5 Hz: HIGH FREQUENCY

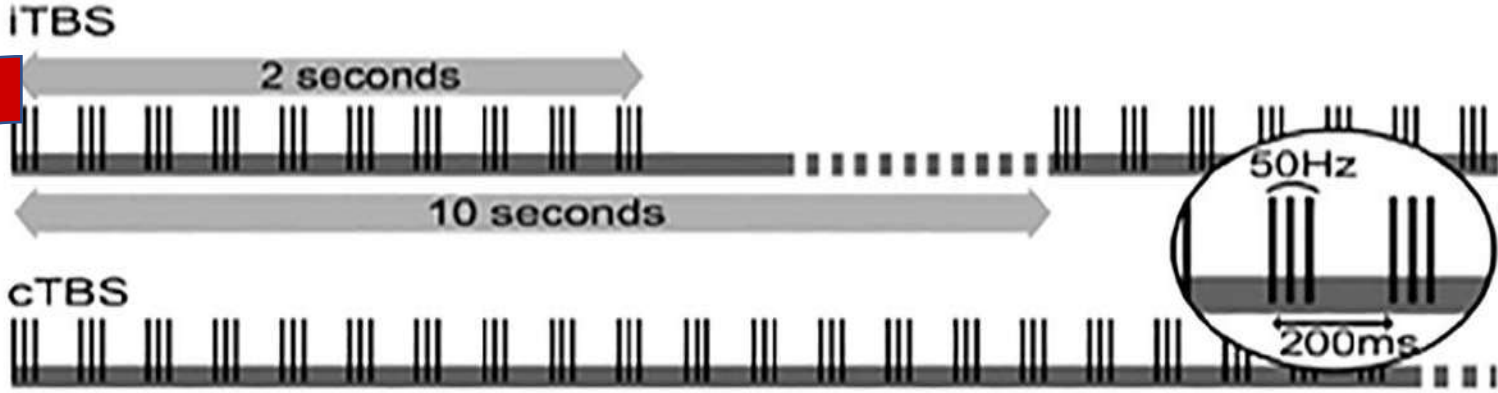
Conventional rTMS





**Patterned
TMS**

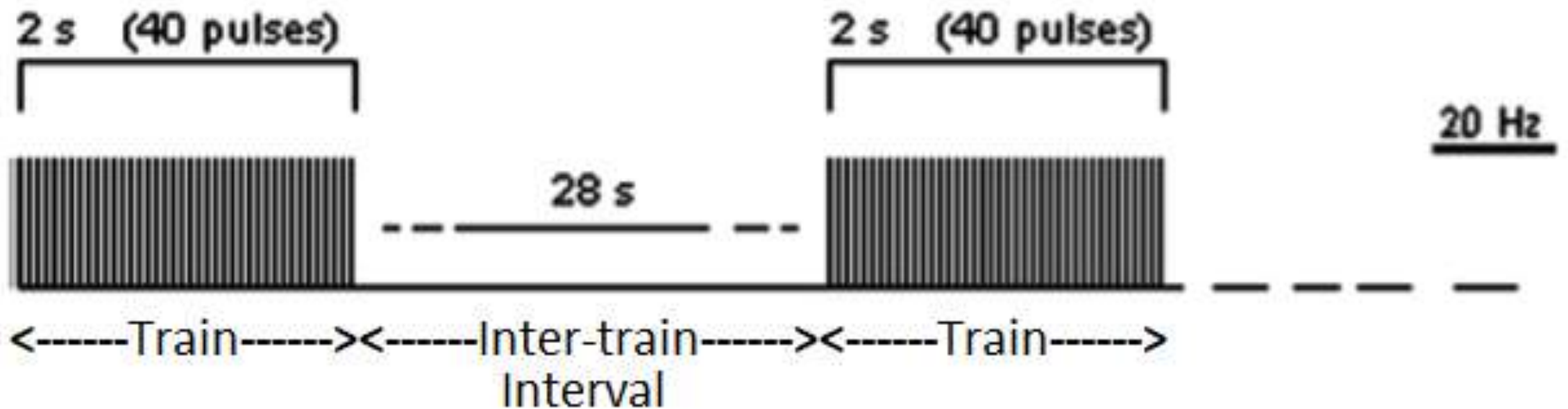
TBS (i vs c)



= HF rTMS

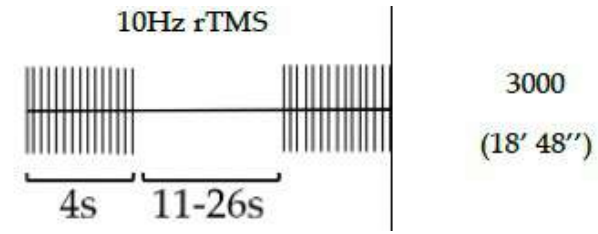
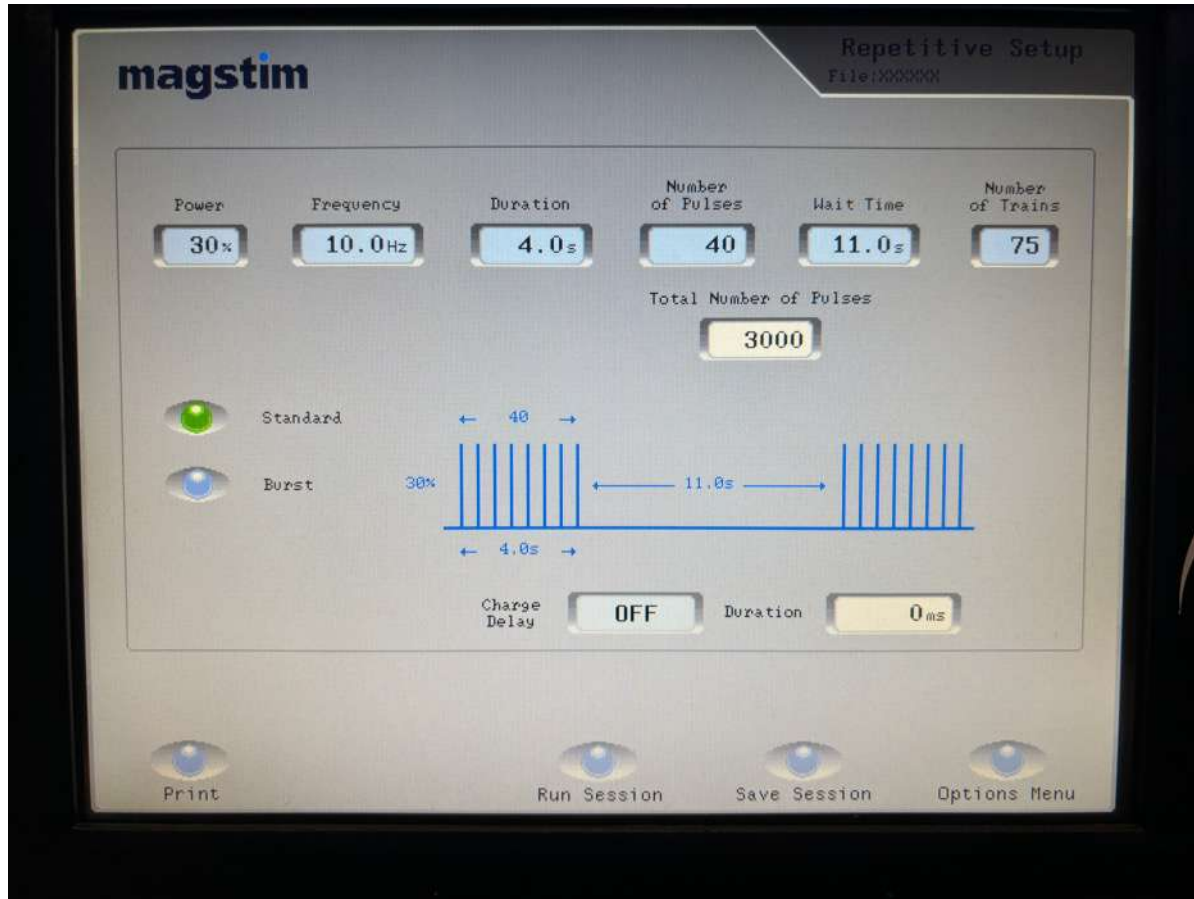
= LF rTMS

Frequency



- High frequency typically given in bursts (trains) interrupted by pauses (Inter-train interval, ITI) to prevent seizure induction.

Stimulus parameters- UI




- Frequency- 10.0Hz
- Duration- 4.0s
- Number of Pulses- 40
- Wait time- 11 secs
- Number of Trains- $3000/40 = 75$ trains

- 15s (trains+ ITT)
- $75 * 15 = 1125$ secs
= 18.75 mins (18 mins 45 secs)

Patterned rTMS

More efficient protocols, which can produce consistent aftereffects with fewer stimuli or lower stimulus intensity were needed



Patterned rTMS protocols introduced:

theta burst
stimulation (TBS)

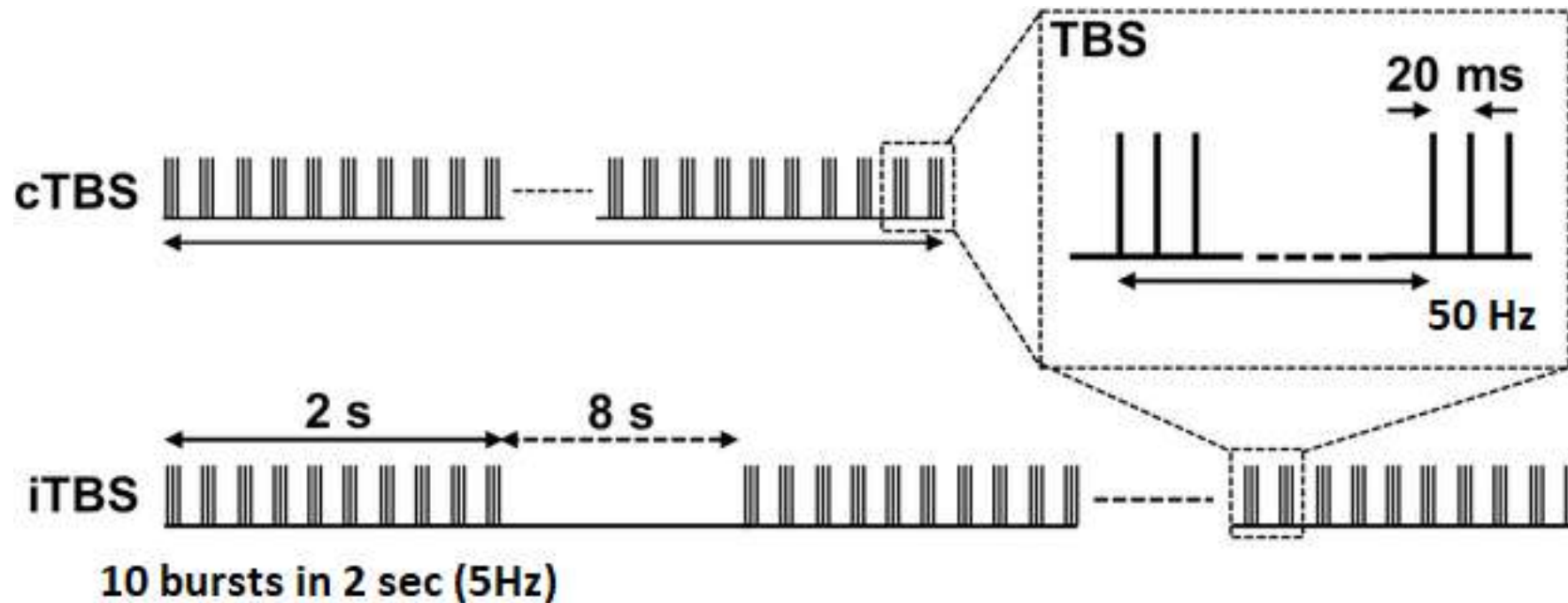
paired-pulse
rTMS (pp rTMS)

quadri-pulse
stimulation (QPS)

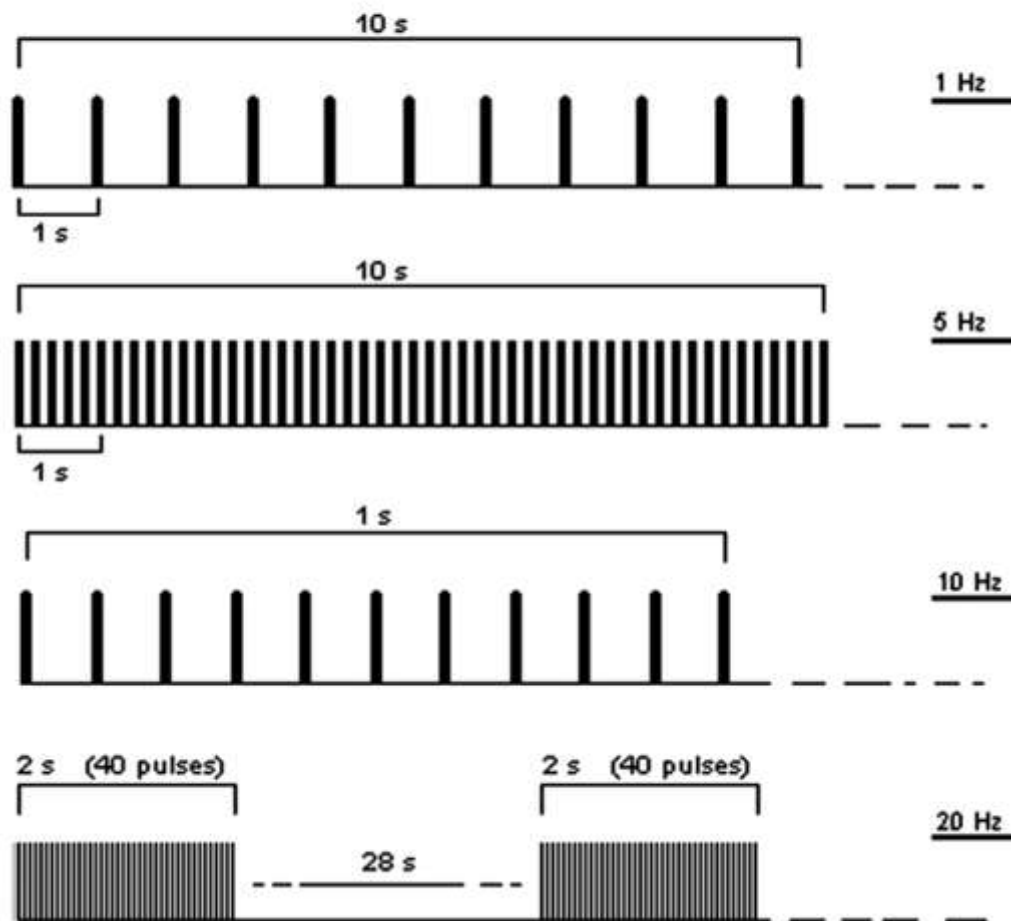
Patterned TMS

Theta burst stimulation (TBS): Shorter sessions and possibly more robust plasticity as compared to conventional rTMS

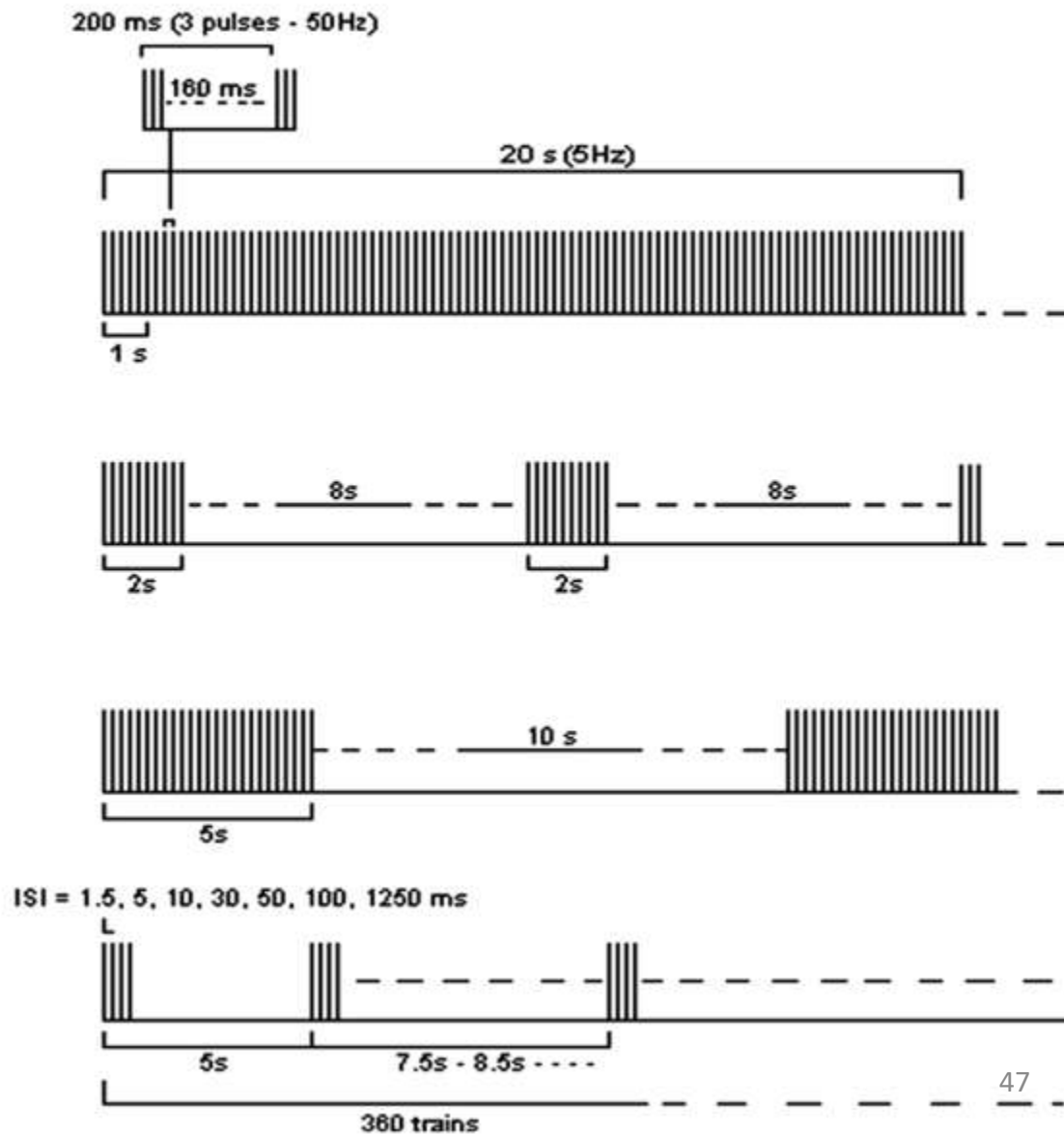
- Short bursts of 50 Hz rTMS given at 5 Hz
- **cTBS** – continuous; inhibitory to underlying cortex
- **iTBS** – intermittent; excitatory to underlying cortex



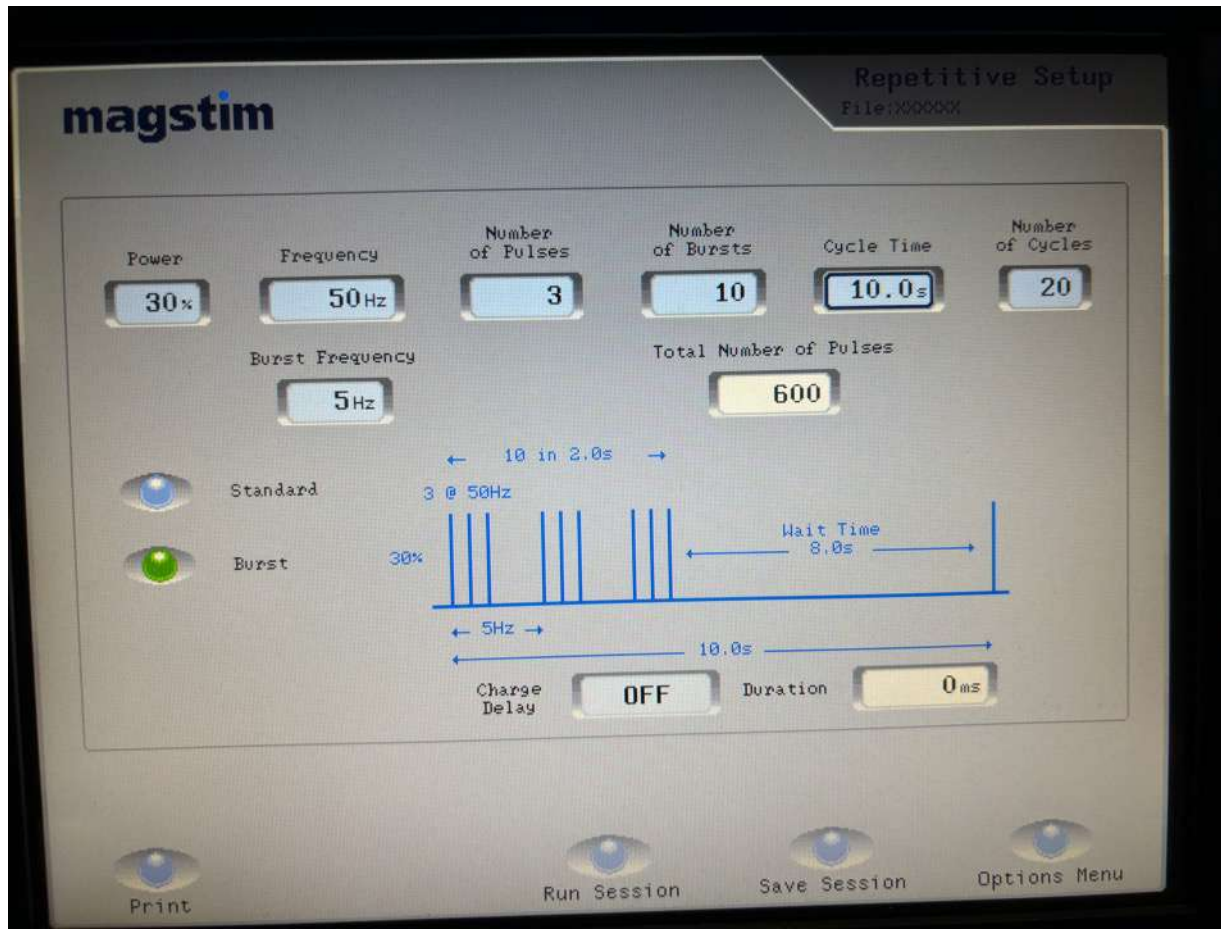
Conventional rTMS



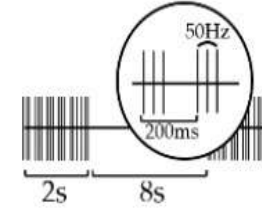
Patterned rTMS



Stimulus parameters- UI



Intermittent Theta Burst


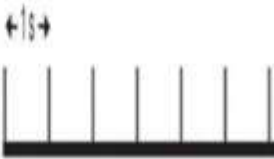
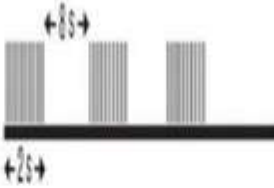



600 (3' 9")	1/d (20-30 d)
18000 (9' 27")	Accelerated: 10/d (5 d)

ITBS

- Frequency- 50.0Hz
- Burst Frequency- 5Hz
- Number of pulses- 3
- Number of Bursts- 10
- Cycle time- 10.0s (Wait time 8.0s)
- Number of Cycles- 20
 $3 * 10 * 20 = 600$ pulses
- *Total time= 200 seconds*
- *3 mins 9 s*

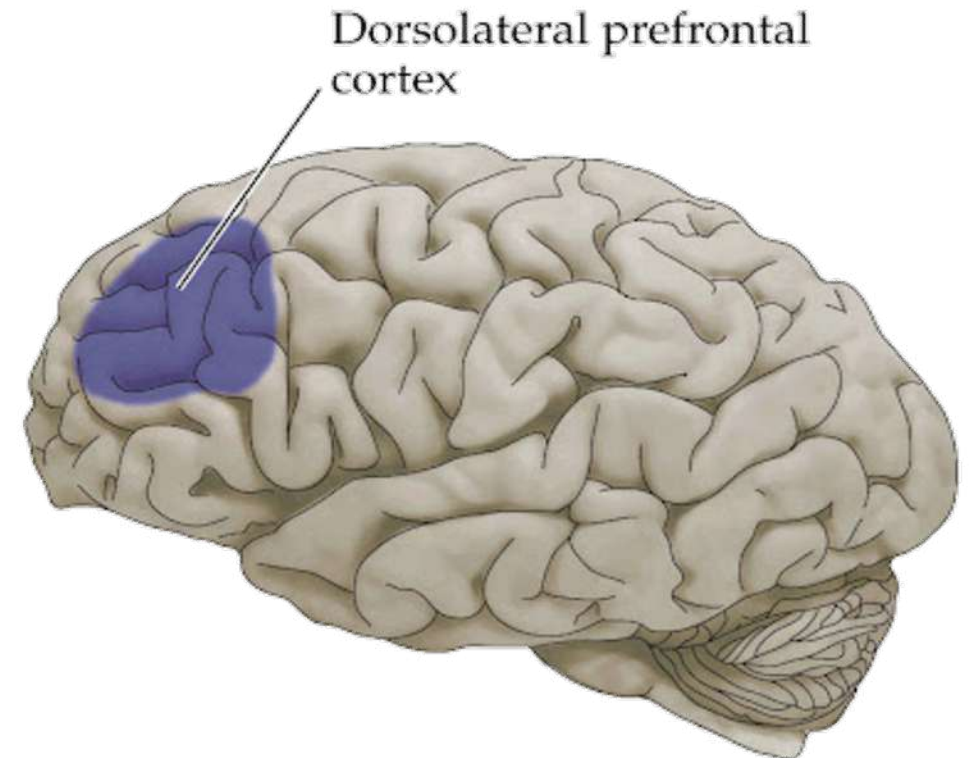
Typical rTMS parameters (Clinical setting)

rTMS method	Pattern	Pulse mode	Pulses per burst	Frequency (Hz)	Total trains	Pulses per train	Inter-train intervals (seconds)	Pulses per session	Total time per session (minutes)
HF		Single pulse	NA	≥ 10	60	50	25	3,000	30
LF		Single pulse	NA	≤ 1	1	1,200	0	1,200	20
iTBS		Burst	3 (at 50 Hz)	5	20-30	30	8	600-900	4-7
cTBS		Burst	3 (at 50 Hz)	5	1	600-900	0	600-900	2-3

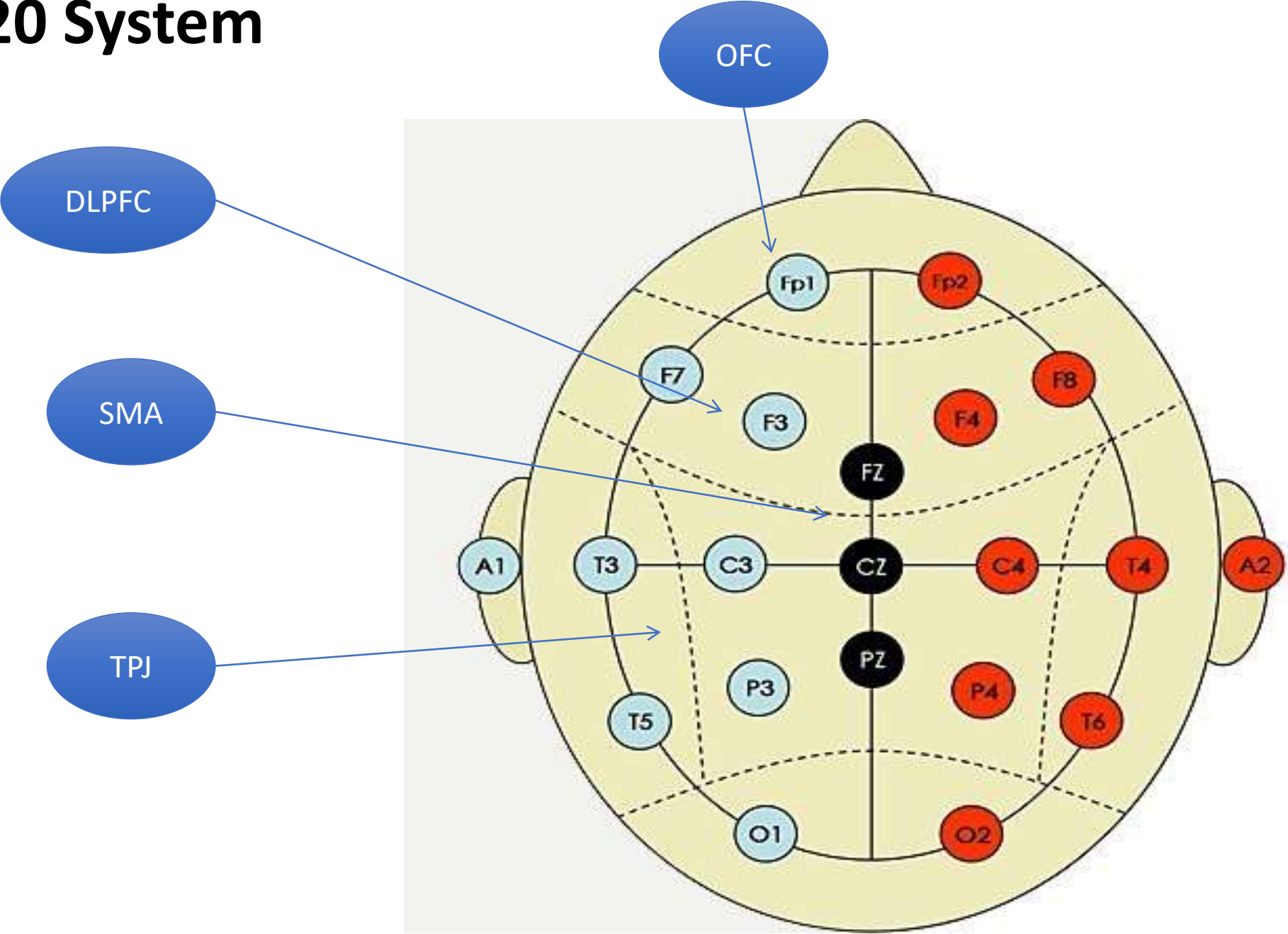
cTBS = continuous theta-burst stimulation; HF = high frequency; iTBS = intermittent theta-burst stimulation; LF = low frequency; NA = not applicable; rTMS = repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation.

Area of stimulation

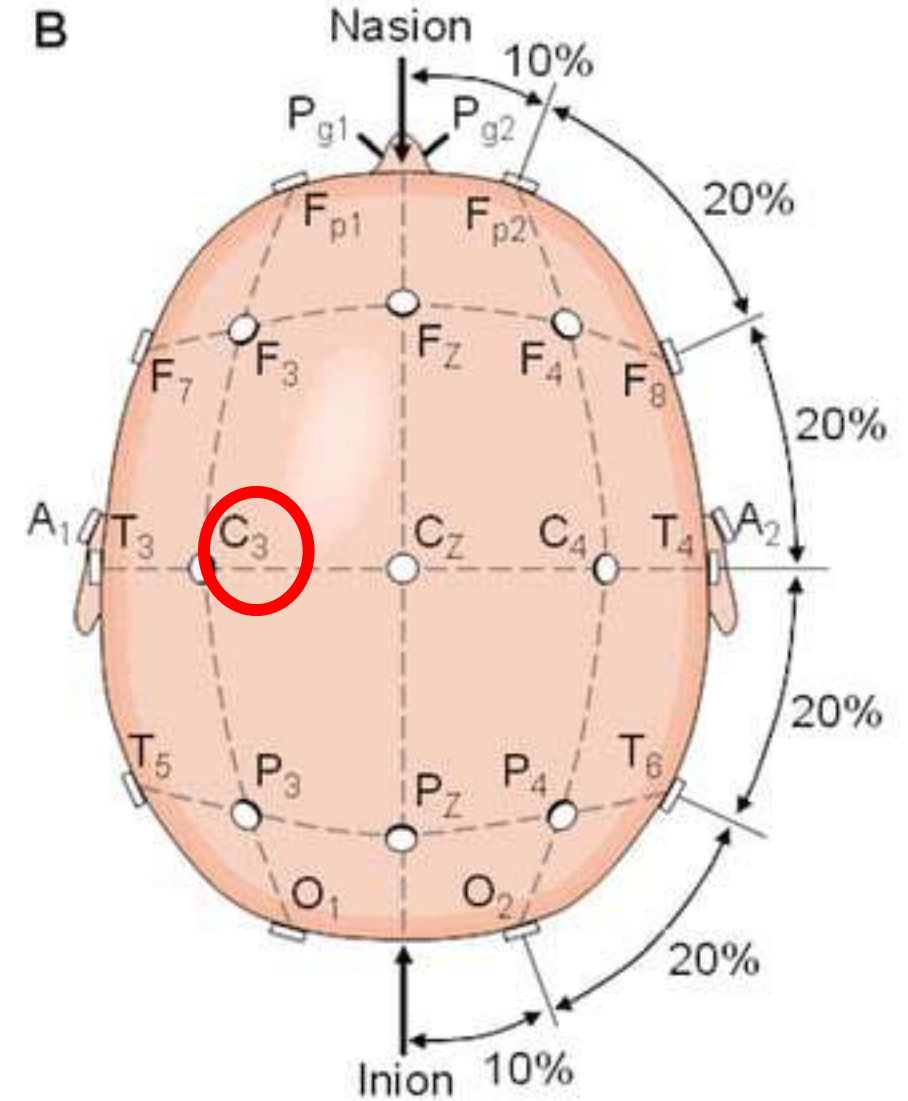
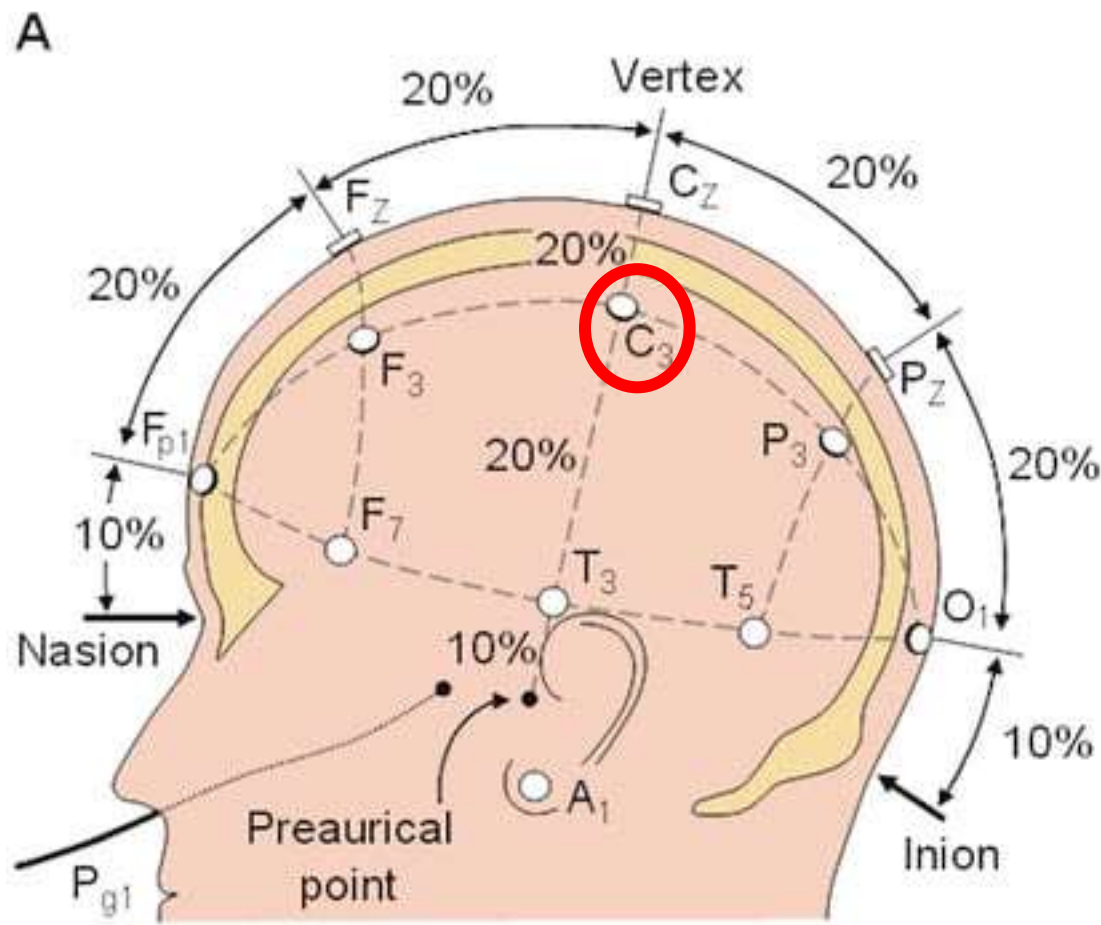
- **Dorsolateral prefrontal cortex**
- Supplementary Motor area
- Superior frontal gyrus
- Temporo-parietal junction
- Motor cortex
- Occipital cortex
- Cerebellum



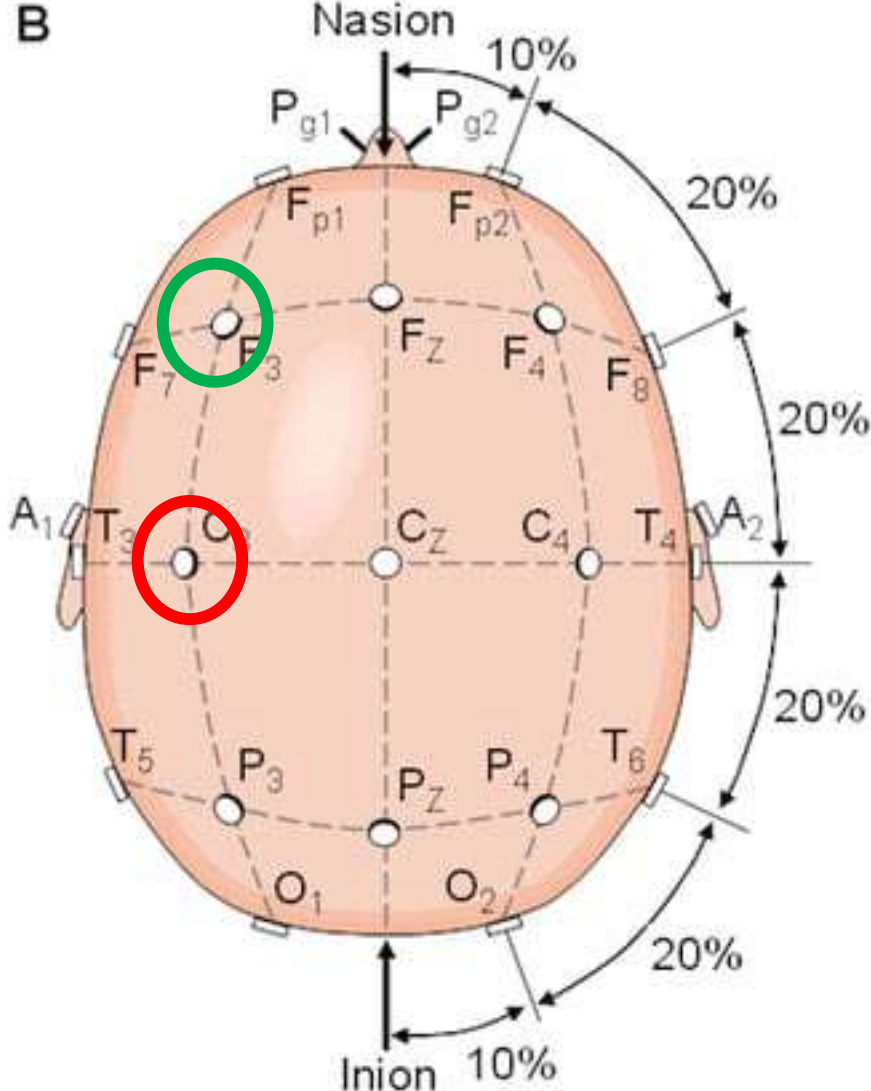
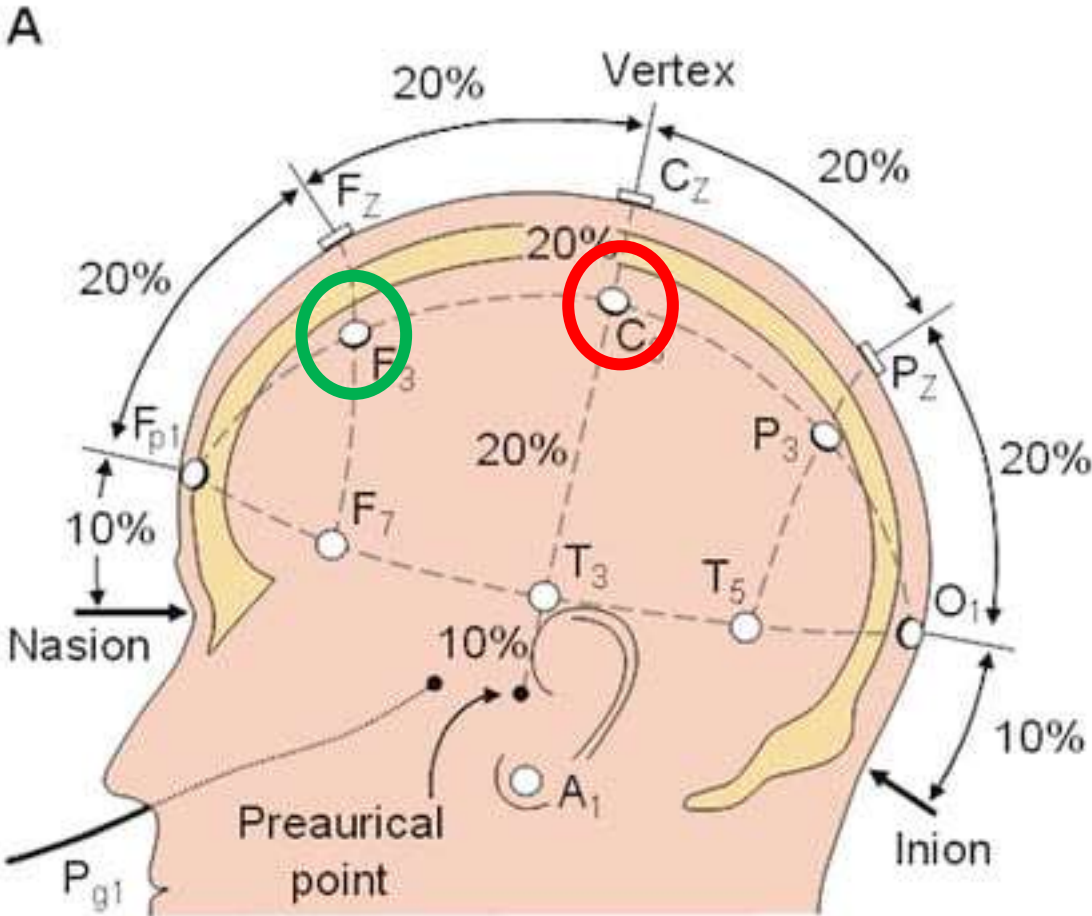
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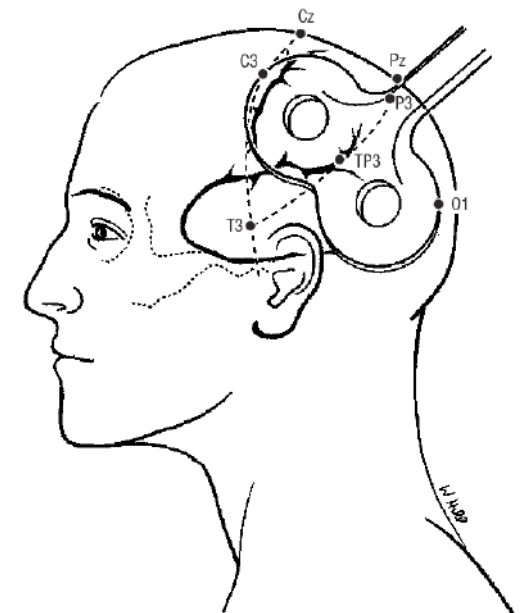
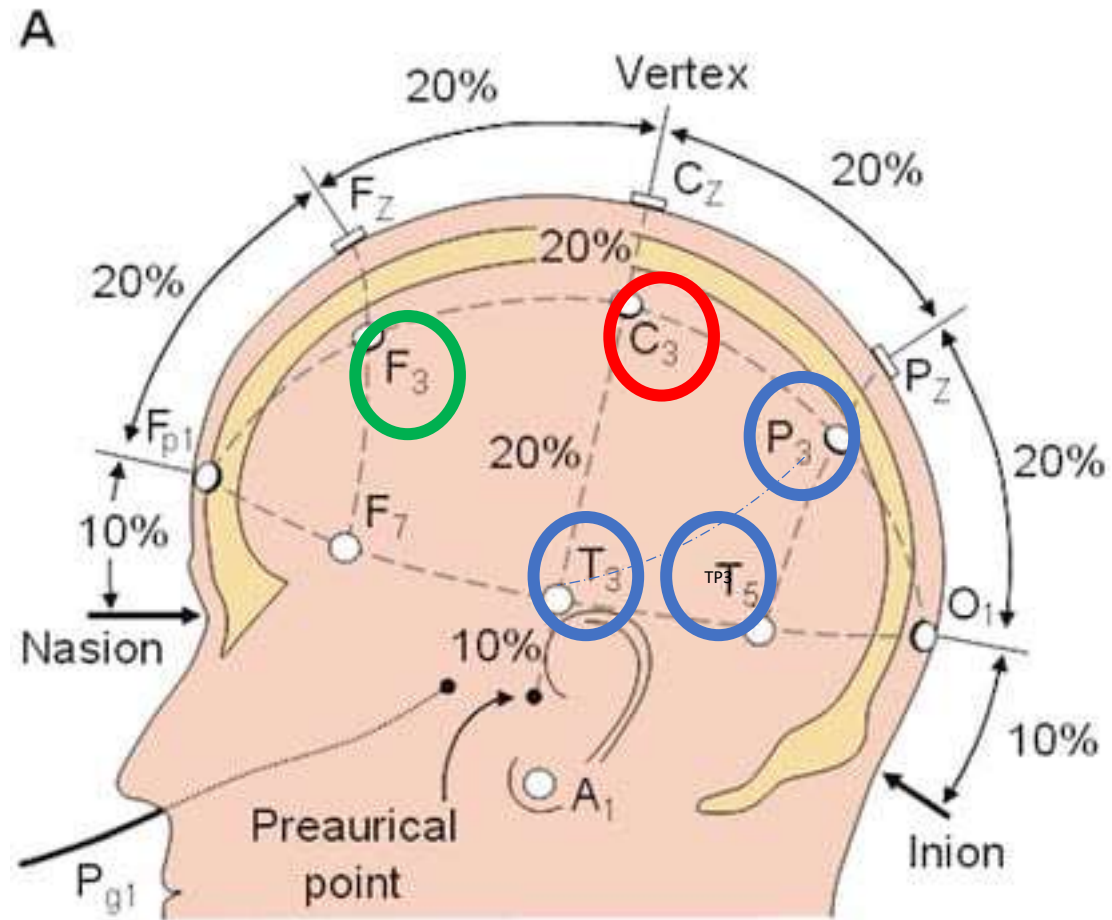
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DLPFC



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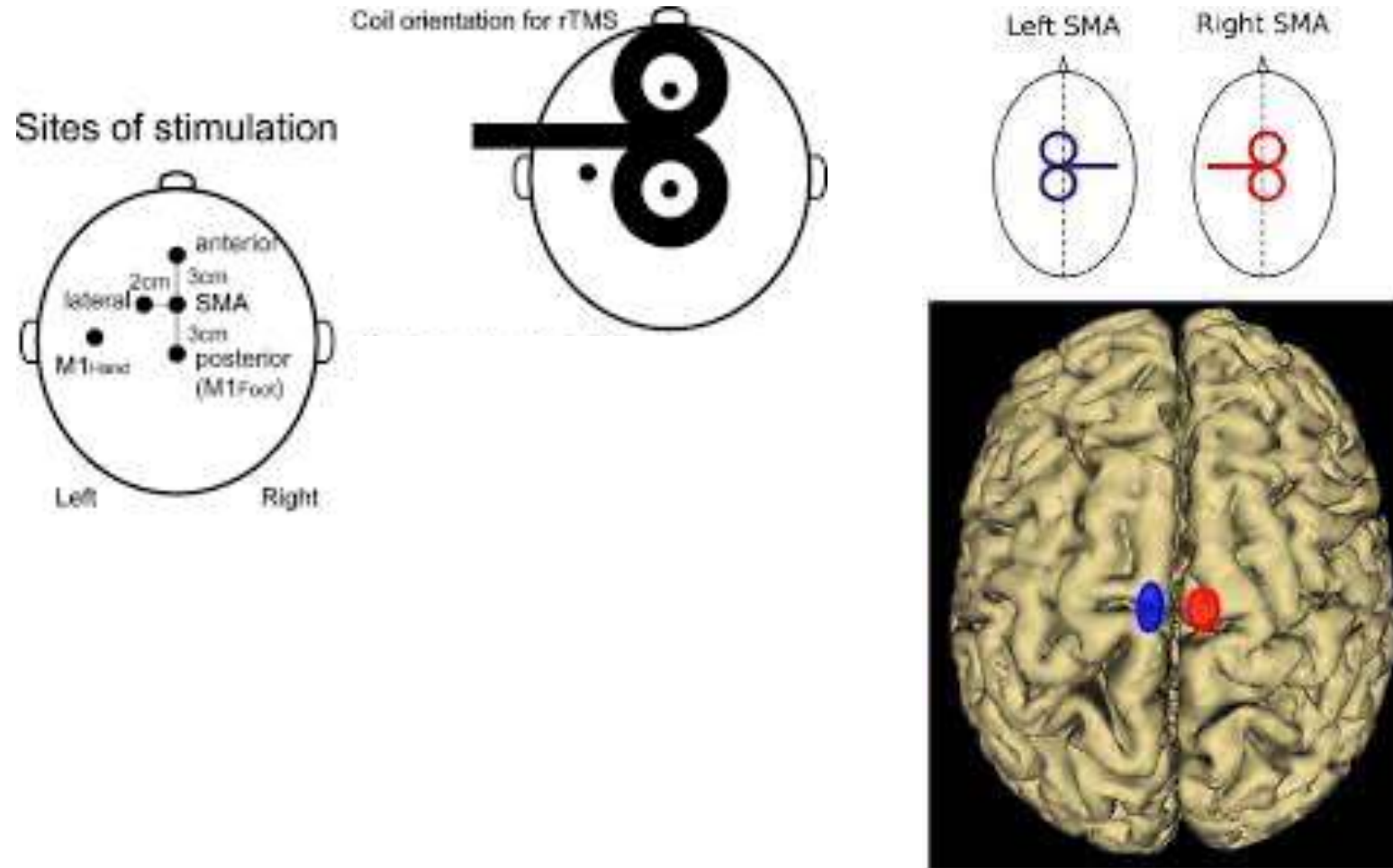


SMA- OCD

Augmentation effect of repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation over the supplementary motor cortex in treatment refractory patients with obsessive compulsive disorder

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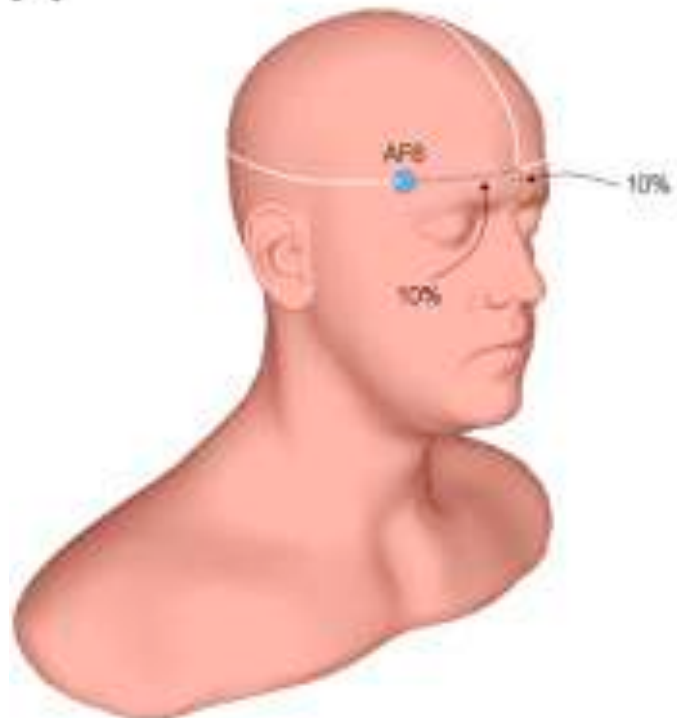
OFC- OCD



Efficacy of intensive orbitofrontal continuous Theta Burst Stimulation (iOFCtBS) in Obsessive Compulsive Disorder: A Randomized Placebo Controlled Study

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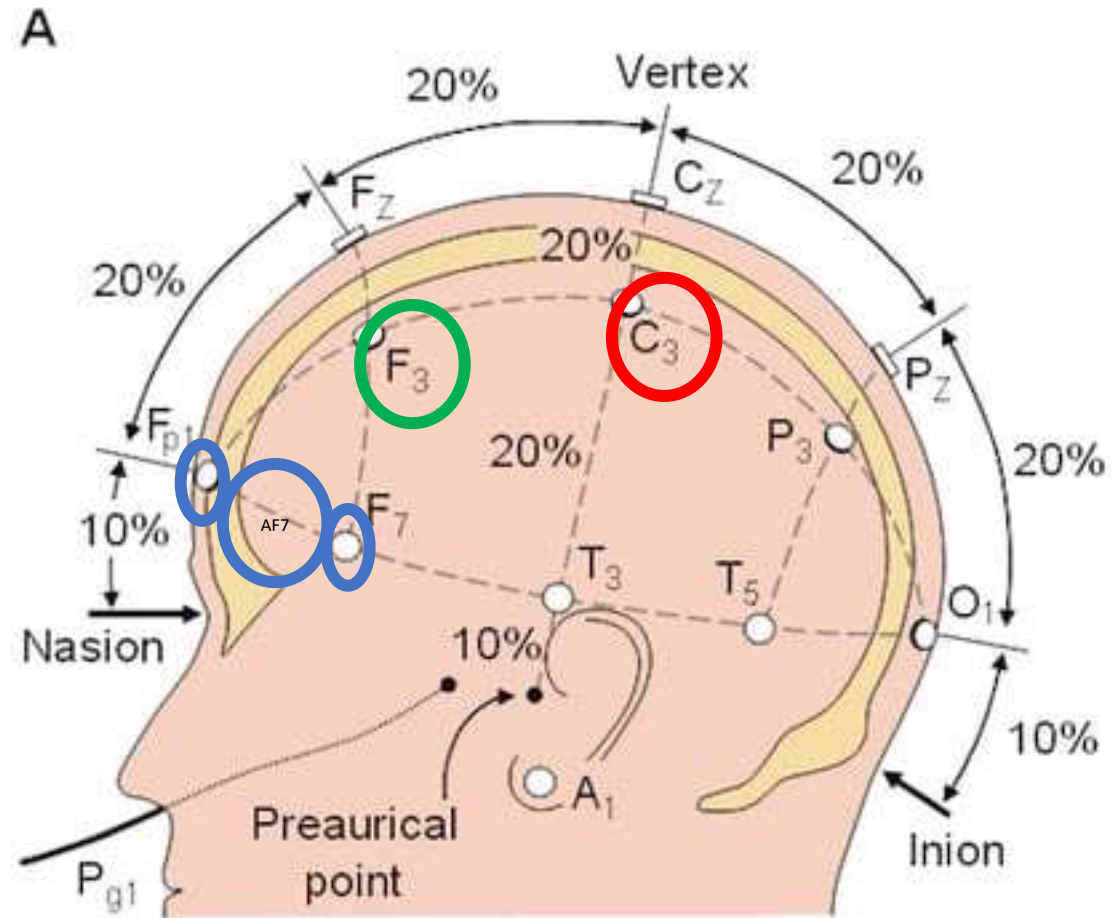
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OFC- OCD



Cerebellum- SCZ, OCD



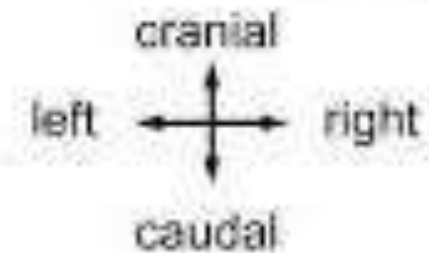
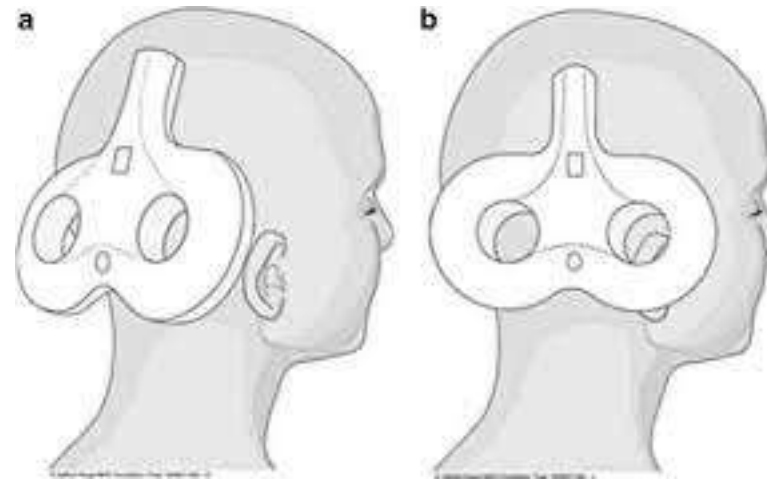
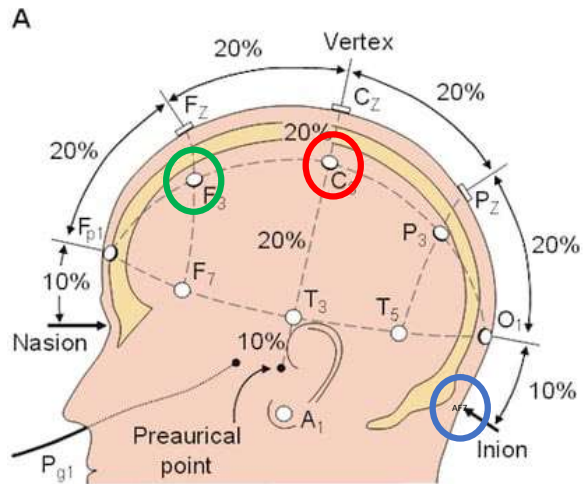
The efficacy of cerebellar vermal deep high frequency (theta range) repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation (rTMS) in schizophrenia: A randomized rater blind-sham controlled study



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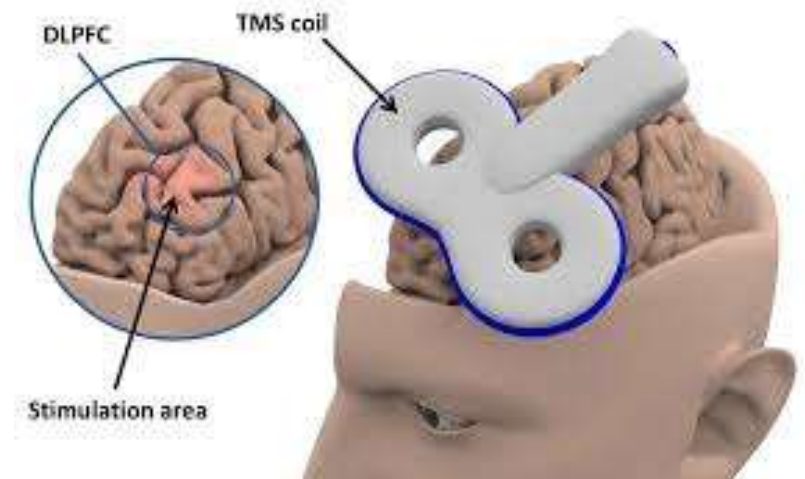


Stimulus Delivery- DLPFC

DLPFC is typically defined by areas 9 and 46 in the Brodmann classification system

How to identify?

- standard '5-cm method' for coil localization (crude method)
- F3 EEG point (International 10-20 system) is known to relate to DLPFC and is likely to be more anterior than a 5-cm localized treatment
- Beam method
- MRI based neuronavigation



Accelerated TMS

- Disadvantages of conventional rTMS
 - Standard rTMS **not useful for actively suicidal patients** due to delayed time-to-response
 - **Daily administration schedule over several weeks limits the feasibility** for patients



aTMS

- Accelerated TMS (aTMS) protocols with both rTMS and TBS increasingly under study to address these limitations
- Rationale:
 1. Equal or greater effects are induced by the repeated application of stimulation within a short interval time
 2. Effects induced within a densely scheduled session have durable efficacy
- Accelerated response to treatment is another theoretical advantage of aTMS

SAINT

Cole et al. have developed an accelerated, high dose, resting-state functional connectivity MRI (fcMRI) guided iTBS protocol for treatment resistant depression [Stanford Accelerated Intelligent Neuromodulation Therapy]

The protocol **involves 5 consecutive days of 10 iTBS sessions per day (1800 pulses per session, 50-minute intersession intervals) delivered to specific region of left DLPFC most anticorrelated with subgenual Anterior Cingulate Cortex (sgACC), which was accurately targeted using fcMRI scans**

Found to be safe and well-tolerated in 21 MDD patients, 19 of whom achieved remission

Original Research

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Adjunctive neuronavigated accelerated continuous theta-burst stimulation in obsessive-compulsive disorder: a randomized sham-controlled study

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Abstract

Background. Approximately 40% of patients treated for obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD) do not respond to standard and second-line augmentation treatments leading to the exploration of alternate biological treatments. Continuous theta burst stimulation (cTBS) is a form of repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation inducing more rapid and longer-lasting effects on synaptic plasticity than the latter. To the best of our knowledge, only one recent study and a case report investigated the effect of cTBS at the supplementary motor area (SMA) in OCD.

Objective. This study aimed to examine the effect of accelerated robotized neuronavigated cTBS over SMA in patients with OCD.

Methods. A total of 32 patients with OCD were enrolled and randomized into active and sham cTBS groups. For active cTBS stimulation, an accelerated protocol was used. Bursts of three stimuli at 50 Hz, at 80% of MT, repeated at 5 Hz were used. Daily 2 sessions of 900 pulses each, for a total of 30 sessions over 3 wk (weekly 10 sessions), were given. Yale-Brown Obsessive-Compulsive Rating Scale (YBOCS), Clinical Global Impressions scale (CGI), Hamilton Depression Rating Scale (HAM-D), and Hamilton Anxiety Rating Scale (HAM-A) were administered at baseline and at end of weeks 3 and 8.

Results. A total of 26 patients completed the study. Active cTBS group showed significant group \times time effect in YBOCS obsession ($P < .001$, $\eta^2 = 0.288$), compulsion ($P = .004$, $\eta^2 = 0.207$), YBOCS total ($P < .001$, $\eta^2 = 0.288$), CGI-S ($P = .010$, $\eta^2 = 0.248$), CGI-C ($P = .010$, $\eta^2 = 0.248$), HAM-D ($P = .014$, $\eta^2 = 0.224$) than sham cTBS group.

Conclusions. Findings from our study suggest that adjunctive accelerated cTBS significantly improves psychopathology, severity of illness, and depression among patients with OCD. Future studies with larger sample sizes will add to our knowledge.

rTMS



Integrated 100 Hz rTMS System at CIP



Robotized TMS



FIGURE 1. Showing location of right inferior parietal lobe on standard MRI image used for neuronavigation.



rTMS

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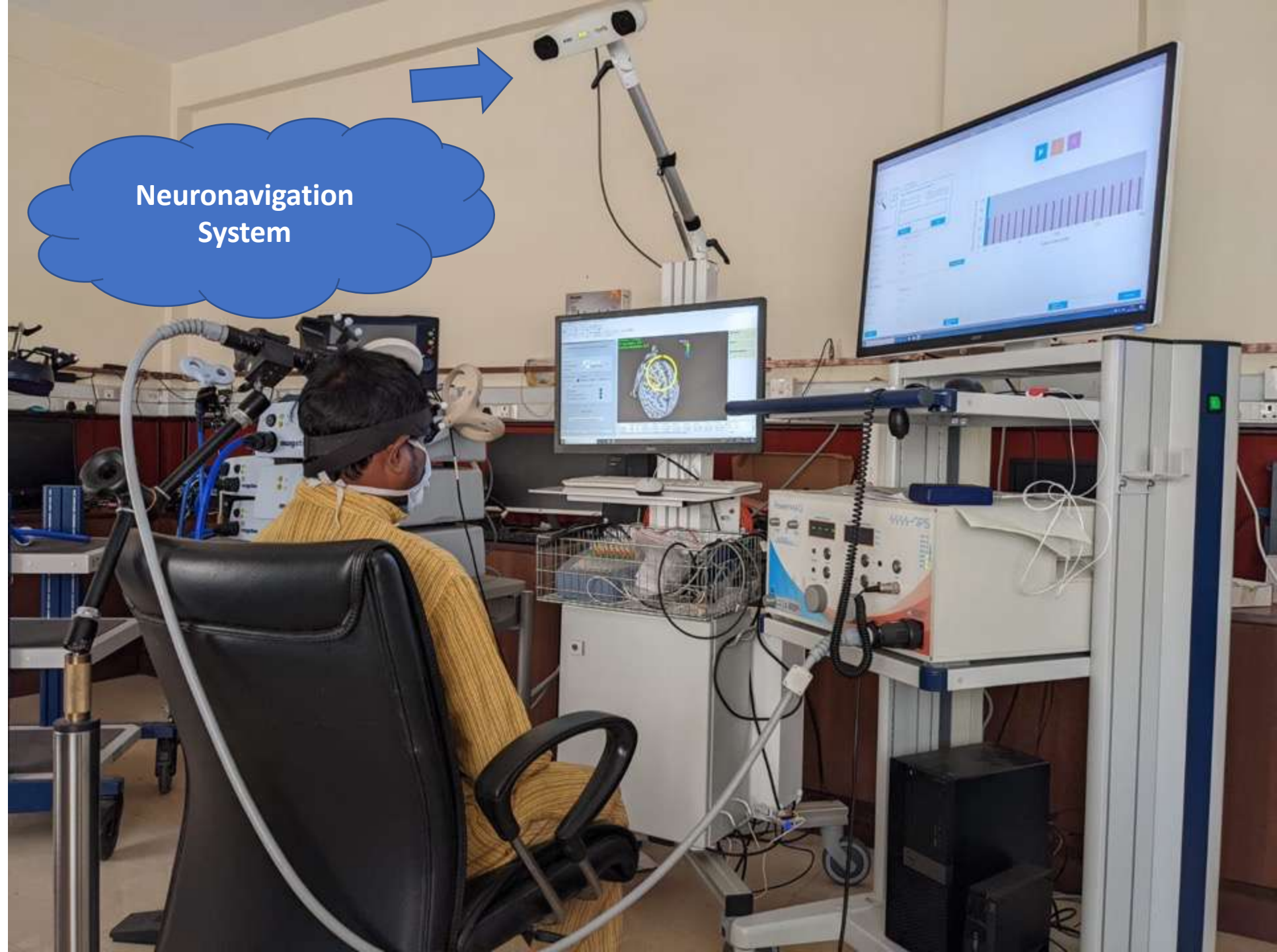


**DOUBLE CONE COIL,
AIR COOLED COILS,
FIGURE OF 8 COILS**

**rTMS
DELIVERY**



Neuronavigated rTMS



Deep TMS



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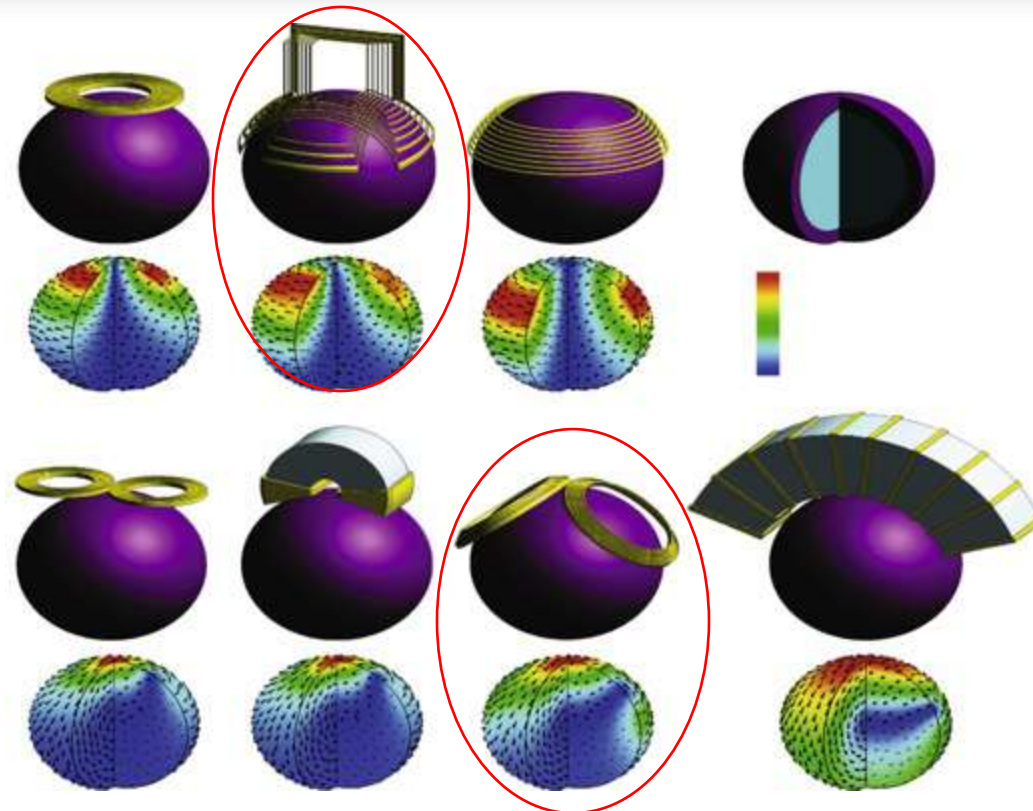
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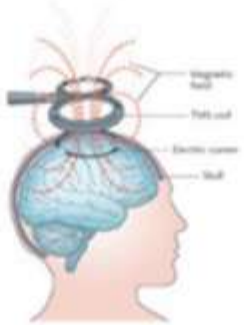
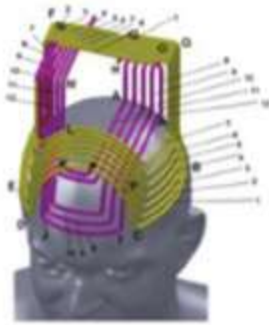
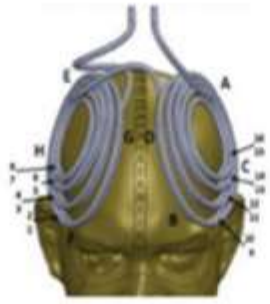



Coil design considerations for deep transcranial magnetic stimulation



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	TRADITIONAL rTMS	DEEP rTMS or DEEP TMS		
COIL DESIGN	Figure-8 coil 	H1-coil Bilateral PFC & DLPFC 	H7-coil Medial PFC & ACC 	H4-coil Bilateral Insula and PFC 
DEPTH	0.7cm subdural	1.8cm subdural 2.5x deeper	3cm subdural 4x deeper	1.5cm subdural 2.1x deeper
BREADTH	3cm ³ volume	18cm ³ volume millions of more neurons	40.3cm ³ volume millions of more neurons	15.2cm ³ volume millions of more neurons
INDICATION	MDD	MDD	OCD	Smoking Cessation



**H COIL FOR
DEEP TMS**

Studies from CIP



CNS Spectrums

Brain activation alterations with adjunctive deep transcranial magnetic stimulation in obsessive-compulsive disorder: an fMRI study

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New Innovations

Recent studies have been published examining **newer forms of patterned TMS**

In a study aiming to measure changes in cortico-spinal excitability, Jung et al. introduced a new protocol **combining QPS and TBS** (Jung et al., 2016)

HDtDCS priming of iTBS is studied in depression



Evidences for TMS



Practice recommendations

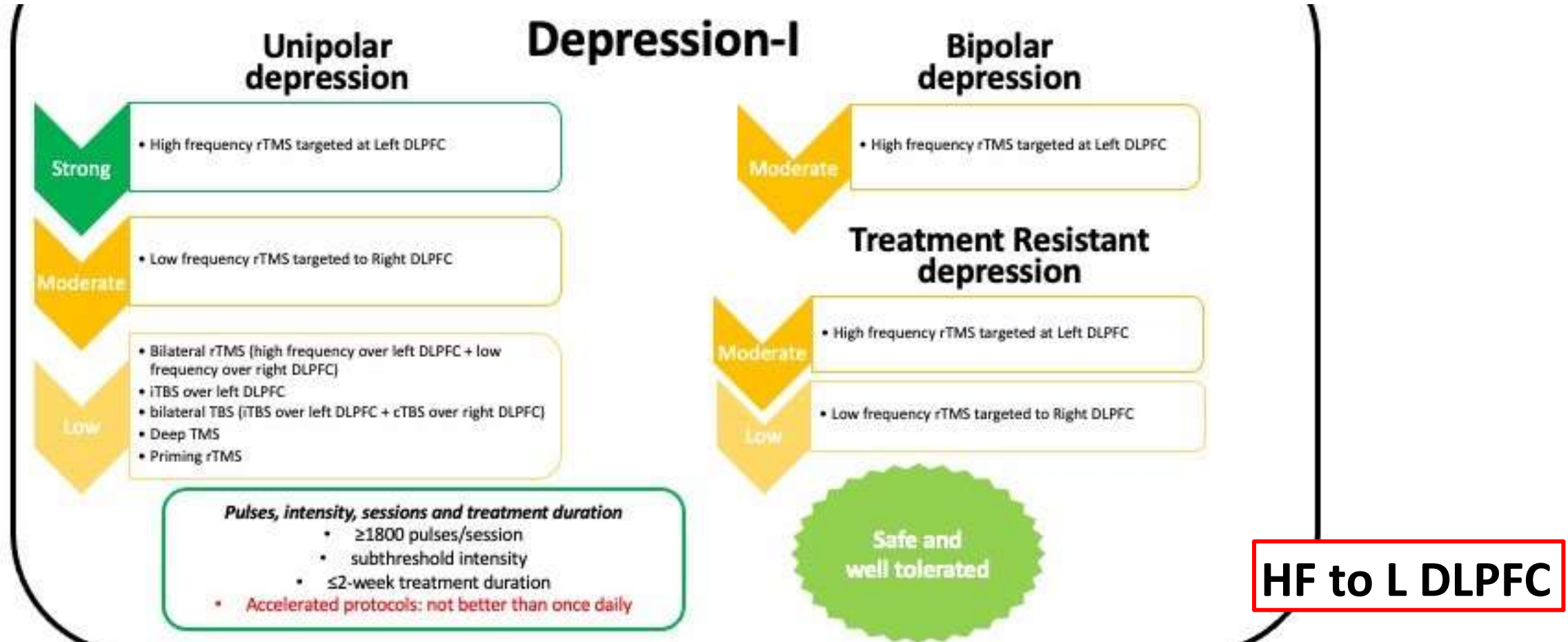
Available positive evidence/Indications

Depression (unipolar, bipolar treatment resistant depression)
Peripartum depression
Post-stroke depression, depression associated with Parkinson's disease
Generalized Anxiety Disorder
Obsessive Compulsive Disorder
Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
Schizophrenia (negative symptoms and resistant auditory hallucinations)
Nicotine use disorder (smoking cessation)
Alzheimer's Dementia
Insomnia
Migraine
Fibromyalgia, Tinnitus

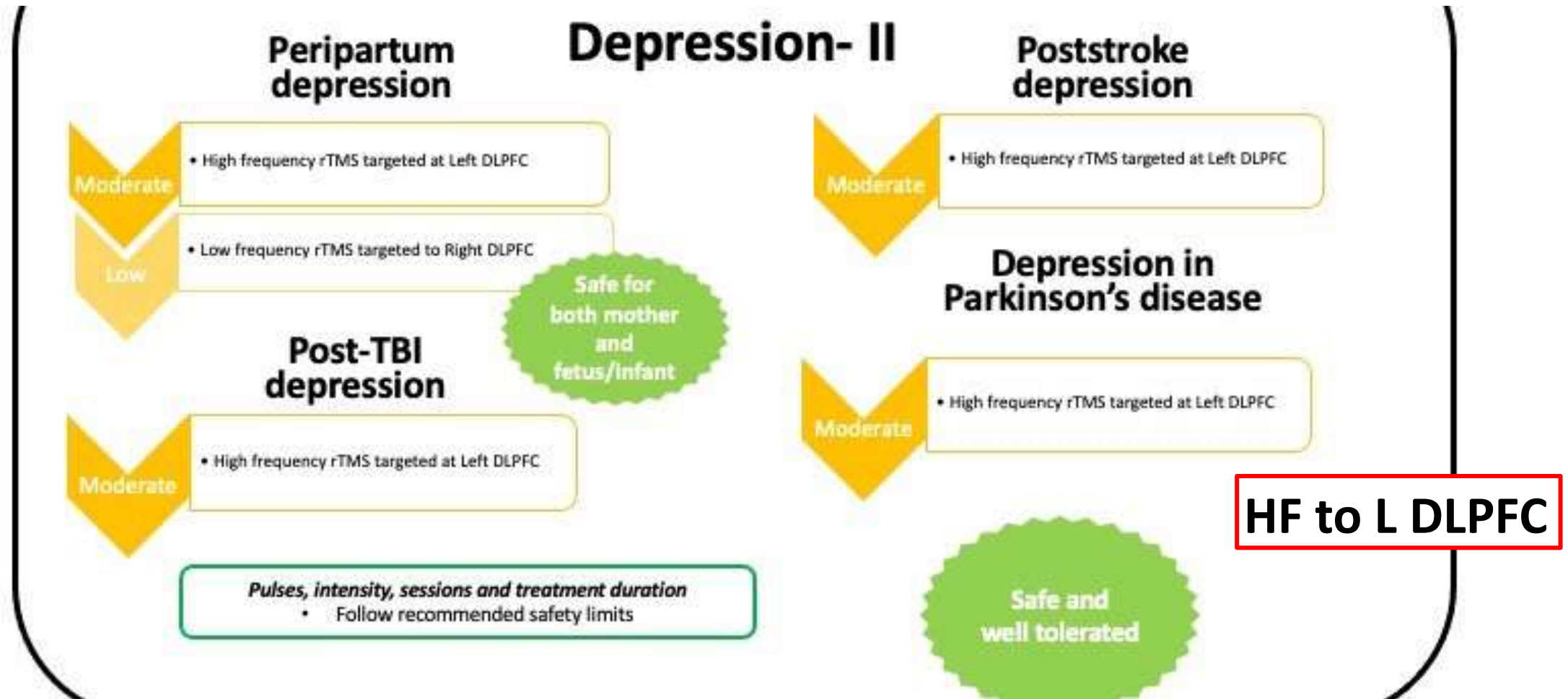
Insufficient or negative sham-controlled evidence

Suicidality
Maintenance treatment of depression
Mania/ Bipolar mania
Panic disorder
Tourette disorder
Positive symptoms (except resistant auditory hallucinations) of schizophrenia
Treatment resistant schizophrenia
Substance use disorders except smoked nicotine
ADHD
Autism Spectrum Disorder (Lack of evidence for uniformity in rTMS form and target location)
Specific learning disorder; Intellectual disability
Tension type Headache
PNES (Dissociative disorders)

Practice recommendations



Practice recommendations



Practice recommendations

GAD, OCD, PTSD

GAD

Moderate

- Low frequency rTMS targeted at right DLPFC

PTSD

Moderate

- High frequency rTMS targeted at Right DLPFC
- Low frequency rTMS targeted at Right DLPFC

OCD

Moderate

- Low frequency rTMS targeted at right DLPFC

Low

- High frequency rTMS targeted to Bilateral DLPFC
- Low frequency rTMS targeted at supplementary motor area

LF to R DLPFC

Pulses, intensity, sessions and treatment duration

- 800-1200 pulses
- 10-30 sessions

Safe and well tolerated

Practice recommendations

Schizophrenia

Resistant Auditory Hallucinations



- Low frequency rTMS targeted at left temporo-parietal cortex

LF to L TPC

Pulses, intensity, sessions and treatment duration

- 1500 pulses
- >10 sessions
- >100% threshold

Negative symptoms



- High frequency rTMS targeted at left DLPFC

HF to L DLPFC

Safe and well tolerated

Practice recommendations

Substance use disorder

Nicotine use disorder (Smoking)



Pulses, intensity, sessions and treatment duration

- Follow recommended safety limits

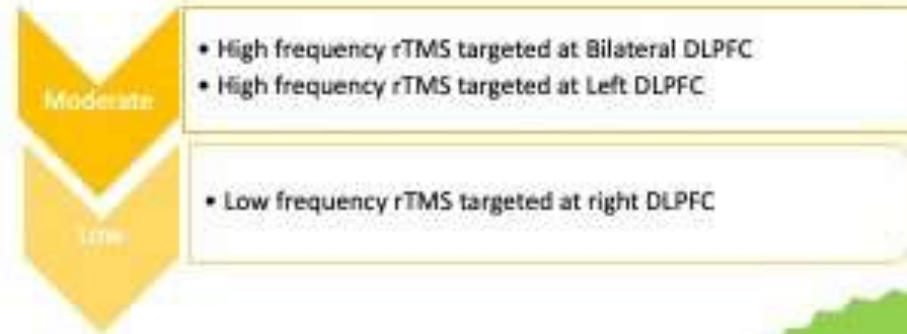
Safe and well tolerated

HF to L DLPFC

Practice recommendations

Alzheimer's dementia

Global cognition and BPSD



Pulses, intensity, sessions and treatment duration

- >5-10 sessions
- Follow recommended safety limits

Safe and well tolerated

HF to L DLPFC

Practice recommendations

Figure 7: Recommendation-G

Insomnia, Headache, Pain, Tinnitus

LF to R DLPFC

Insomnia



• Low frequency rTMS targeted at right DLPFC

Migraine



• High frequency rTMS targeted at primary motor cortex

Fibromyalgia



• High frequency rTMS targeted at primary motor cortex

Chronic Tinnitus



• Low frequency rTMS targeted at primary auditory cortex

HF to MC

LF to AC

Pulses, intensity, sessions and treatment duration

- Follow recommended safety limits

Safe and well tolerated

Table 18: Indications and evidence for rTMS in treatment of various psychiatric disorders				
Disorder/Condition	Mode	Target	Recommendation	FDA
Depression Acute/Unipolar	HF	Left DLPFC	Strong	Yes
	LF	Right DLPFC	Moderate	
	Bilateral (HF to Left and LF to Right DLPFC)		Low	
	iTBS	Left DLPFC		
	Bilateral (iTBS to Left and cTBS to Right DLPFC)			
	Deep 'H1' HF	Left DLPFC		
	Priming (HF followed by LF)	Right DLPFC		
Bipolar depression	HF	Left DLPFC		Moderate
Treatment resistant depression	HF	Left DLPFC	Moderate	Yes
	LF	Right DLPFC	Low	Yes
Peripartum depression	HF	Left DLPFC	Moderate	No
	LF	Right DLPFC	Low	
Post-stroke depression	HF	Left DLPFC	Moderate	No
Depression in Parkinson's Disease	HF	Left DLPFC	Moderate	No
Generalized Anxiety Disorder	LF	Right DLPFC	Moderate	No
Obsessive Compulsive Disorder	LF	Right DLPFC	Moderate	Yes
	HF	Bilateral DLPFC	Low	No
	LF	SMA	Low	
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder	HF	Right DLPFC	Moderate	No
	LF	Right DLPFC		No
Schizophrenia-Auditory Hallucinations	LF	Left TPC (TPJ+STG)	Low	No
Schizophrenia-Negative symptoms	HF	Left DLPFC	Moderate	No
Nicotine Use Disorder (Smoking Cessation)	HF	Left DLPFC	Low	No
Alzheimer's Dementia	HF	Bilateral DLPFC	Moderate	No
	HF	Left DLPFC		No
	LF	Right DLPFC	Low	No
Insomnia	LF	Right DLPFC	Moderate	
Migraine	HF	Primary Motor Cortex	Moderate	
Fibromyalgia	HF	Primary Motor Cortex	Low	
Chronic Tinnitus	LF	Primary Auditory Cortex	Low	

rTMS= repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation; iTBS=intermittent theta burst stimulation; cTBS=continuous theta burst stimulation; HF=high frequency; LF=low frequency; DLPFC=dorsolateral prefrontal cortex; TPC=temporoparietal cortex; TPJ=temporoparietal junction; STG=superior temporal gyrus; FDA=Food and Drug Administration

Practice recommendations

Left DLPFC	Right DLPFC	LMC	LAC
Depression	GAD/OCD/PTSD	Migraine	Chronic Tinnitus
Negative symptoms of schizophrenia	Insomnia	Fibromyalgia	
Nicotine smoking			
Alzheimer's dementia			

Excitatory (HF/iTBS)	Inhibitory (LF/cTBS)
Depression	GAD/OCD/PTSD
Negative symptoms of schizophrenia	Auditory Hallucinations
Nicotine smoking	Insomnia
Alzheimer's dementia	Chronic Tinnitus
Migraine	
Fibromyalgia	

FDA Approved dTMS Treatments

H1 COIL

FOR THE TREATMENT OF MAJOR DEPRESSIVE DISORDER (MDD) / ANXIOUS DEPRESSION



Stimulates the prefrontal cortex, particularly the left dorsolateral prefrontal cortex

- ▶ In addition to numerous published, double-blind, randomized controlled trials validating the efficacy of Deep TMS for depression, **clinical data of over 1,000 patients in real practice settings has shown compelling results.**
- ▶ Among patients who completed 30 sessions, **approximately 1 in 2 achieved remission and 3 in 4 achieved response.**

Standard 20-minute sessions or Intermittent Theta Burst (iTBS) 3-min sessions with 20 sessions across 4 weeks, followed by 10-16 sessions across additional 5-8 weeks

H7 COIL

FOR THE TREATMENT OF OBSESSIVE-COMPULSIVE DISORDER (OCD)



Stimulates the anterior cingulate cortex and prefrontal cortex

- ▶ Complementing a large scale, double-blind, multicenter randomized controlled trial which demonstrated strong response rates, **greater than 1 in 2 patients who completed 29 sessions in real clinical practice achieved sustained response.**

Standard 18-minute sessions with 29 sessions across 6 weeks

FDA Approved dTMS Treatments (Cont.)

H4 COIL

FOR THE TREATMENT OF SMOKING ADDICTION



Stimulates the bilateral insula and prefrontal cortex

- ▶ **Nearly 1 in 3 patients that completed 18 sessions achieved 4 or more weeks of abstinence from smoking** in a large scale, double-blind, multicenter randomized controlled trial. 2 of 3 patients who quit smoking by the end of treatment, remained abstinent for at least an additional 3 months.
- ▶ Many additional patients experienced **significant reduction in average number of cigarettes smoked per week.**

Standard 18-minute sessions with 18 sessions across 6 weeks

A photograph showing the back of a person's head. They are wearing a blue EEG cap with several yellow adhesive electrodes attached to their hair. The person is sitting at a desk in a laboratory setting. In the background, there is a black office chair, a white cup, and some papers on the desk. A white box with a black triangle symbol is visible on the wall. The text "Direct Current Stimulation" is overlaid in white on the image.

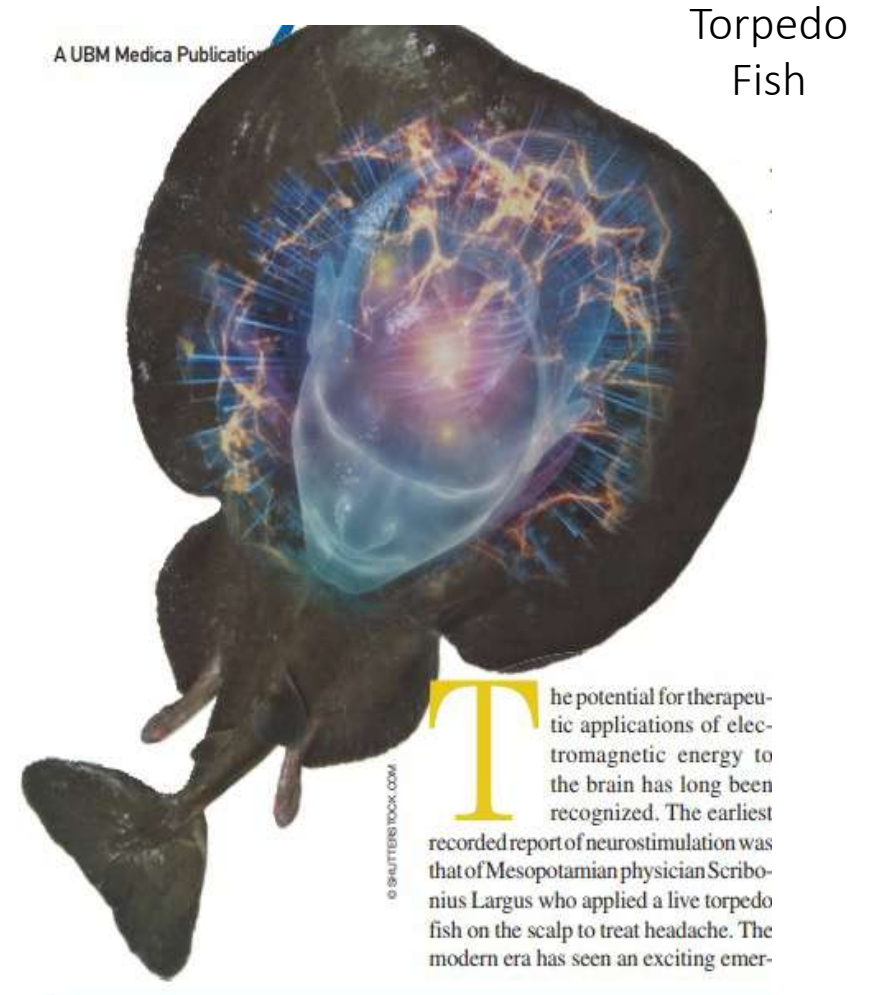
Direct Current Stimulation

rTMS vs tDCS

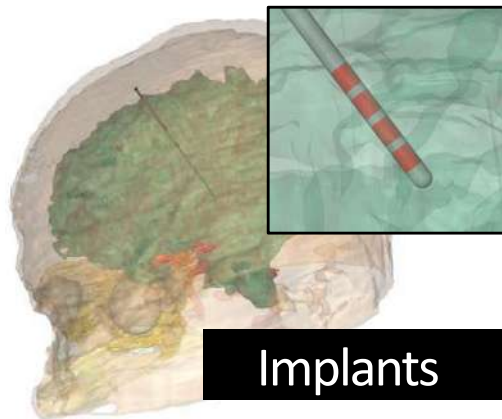
- Compared to repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation (rTMS), tDCS is
 - Relatively **cheaper**
 - **Easier** to use
 - More **portable**
 - **Less adverse effects**

History: "Torpedo" effect

- Natural electrical phenomena fascinated humans since antiquity
- Electrical discharges produced by the fish were highly appreciated among ancient physicians
 - Hippocrates, Scribonius Largus and Galen prescribed for headache, gout and prolapsed anus

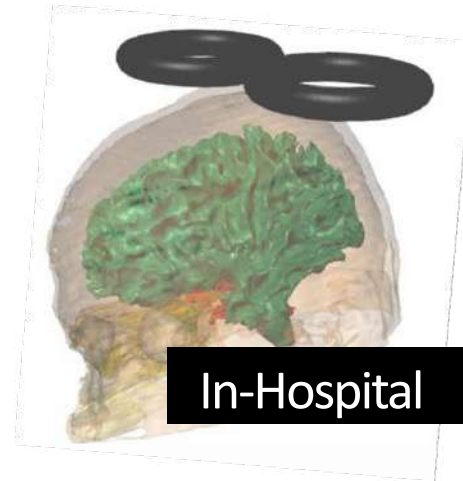


Neuromodulation platforms vary in how energy is delivered to what target



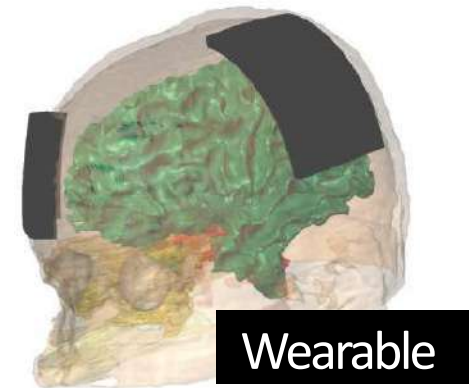
Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS)

Spinal Cord Stimulation (SCS)



Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS)

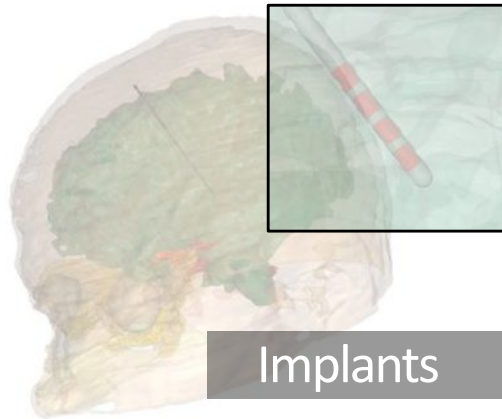
Electroconvulsive Therapy



Transcranial Electrical Stimulation (tES)

Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation (tDCS)

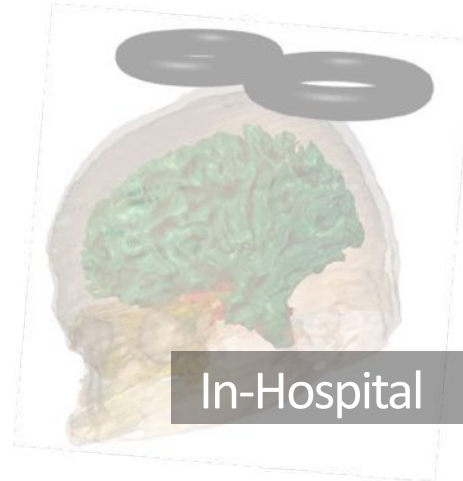
Neuromodulation platforms vary in how energy is delivered to what target



Implants

Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS)

Spinal Cord Stimulation (SCS)



In-Hospital

Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS)

Electroconvulsive Therapy



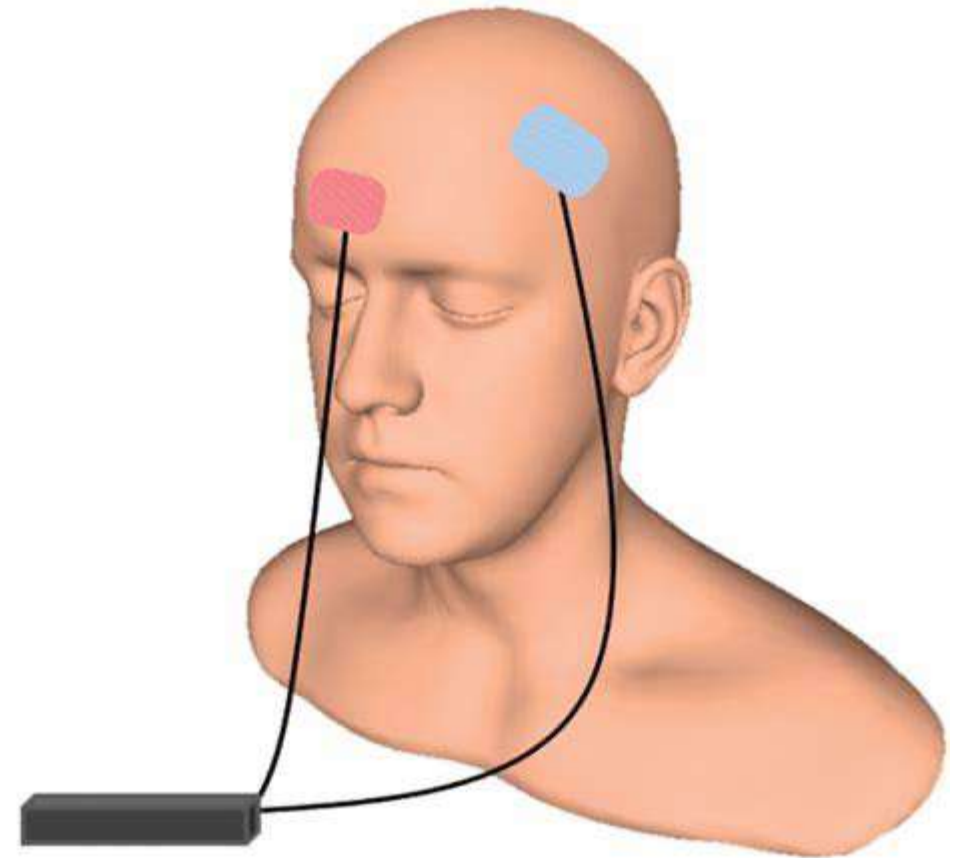
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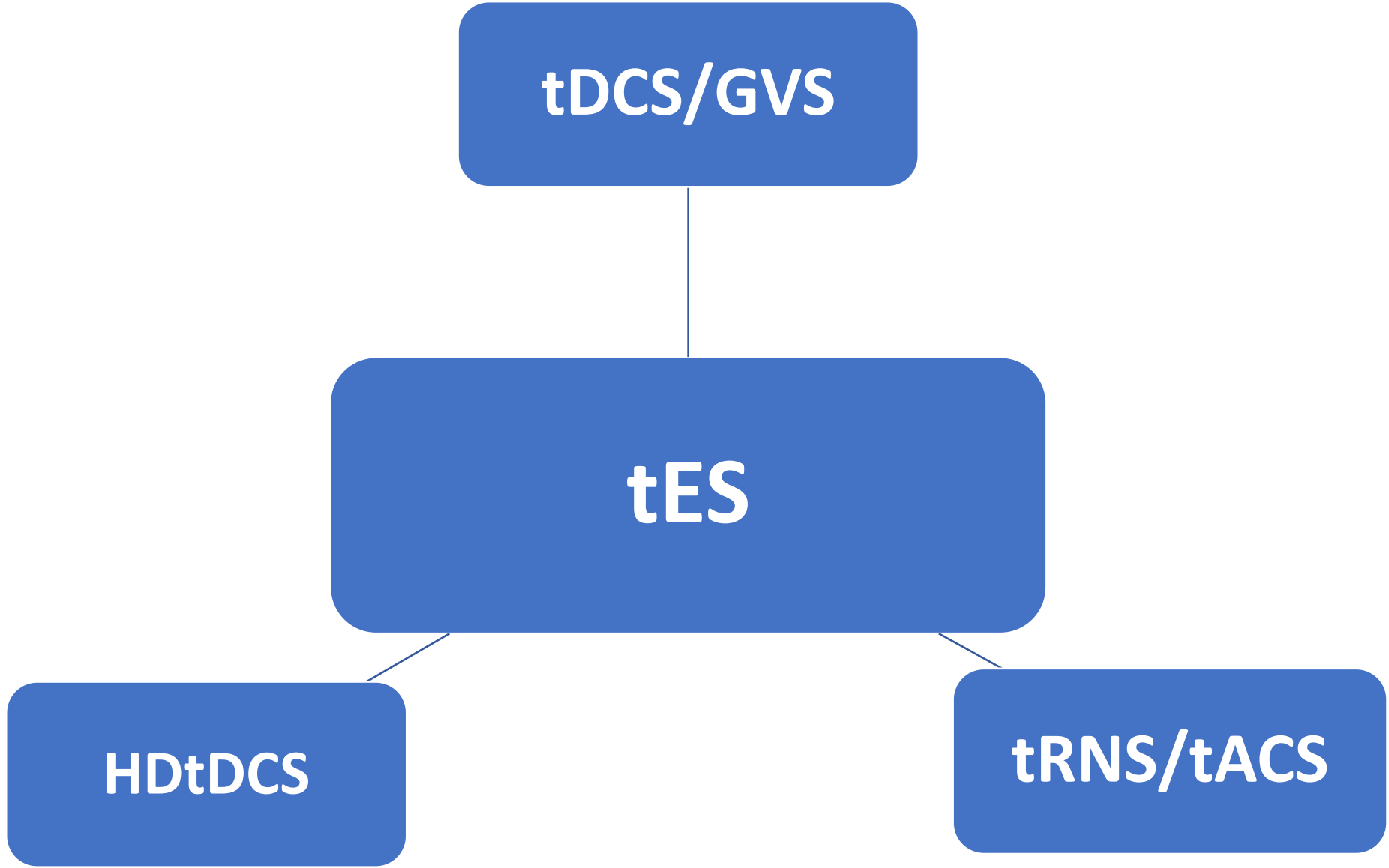
Transcranial Electrical Stimulation (tES)

Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation (tDCS)

What is tES?

All forms of application of electrical currents to the brain non-invasively using (at least one) electrodes on the head



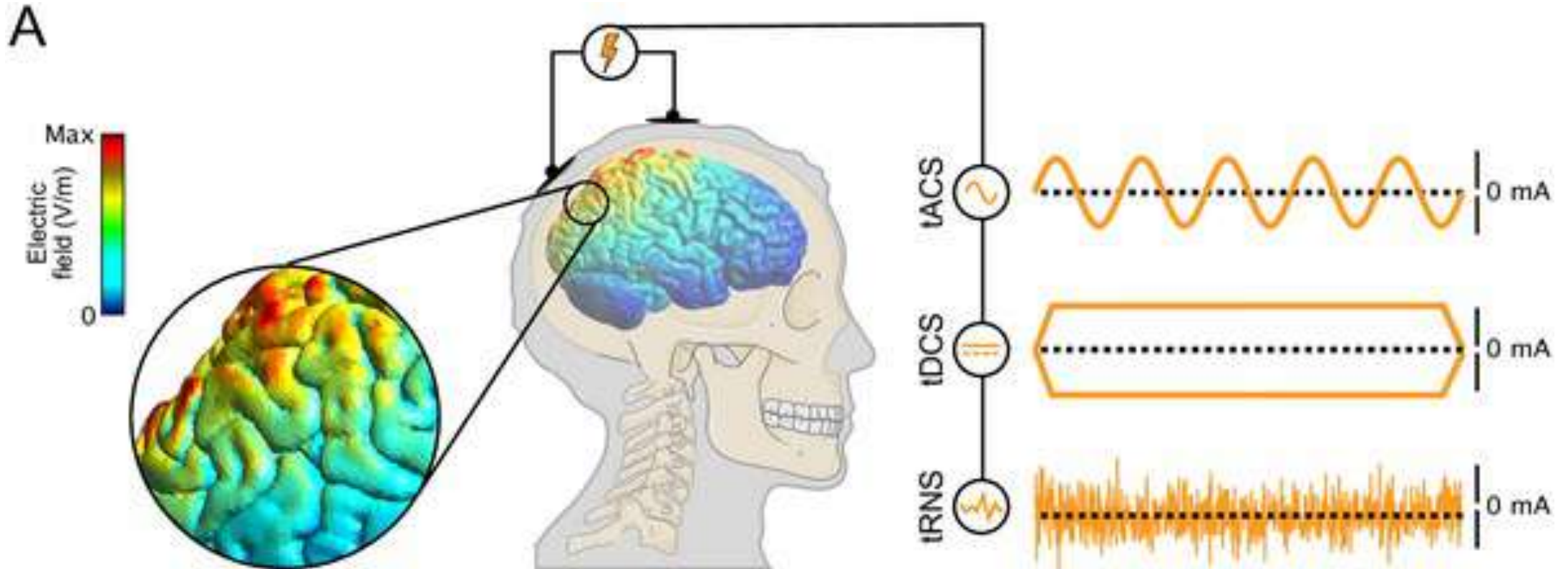


Transcranial stimulators since 1990

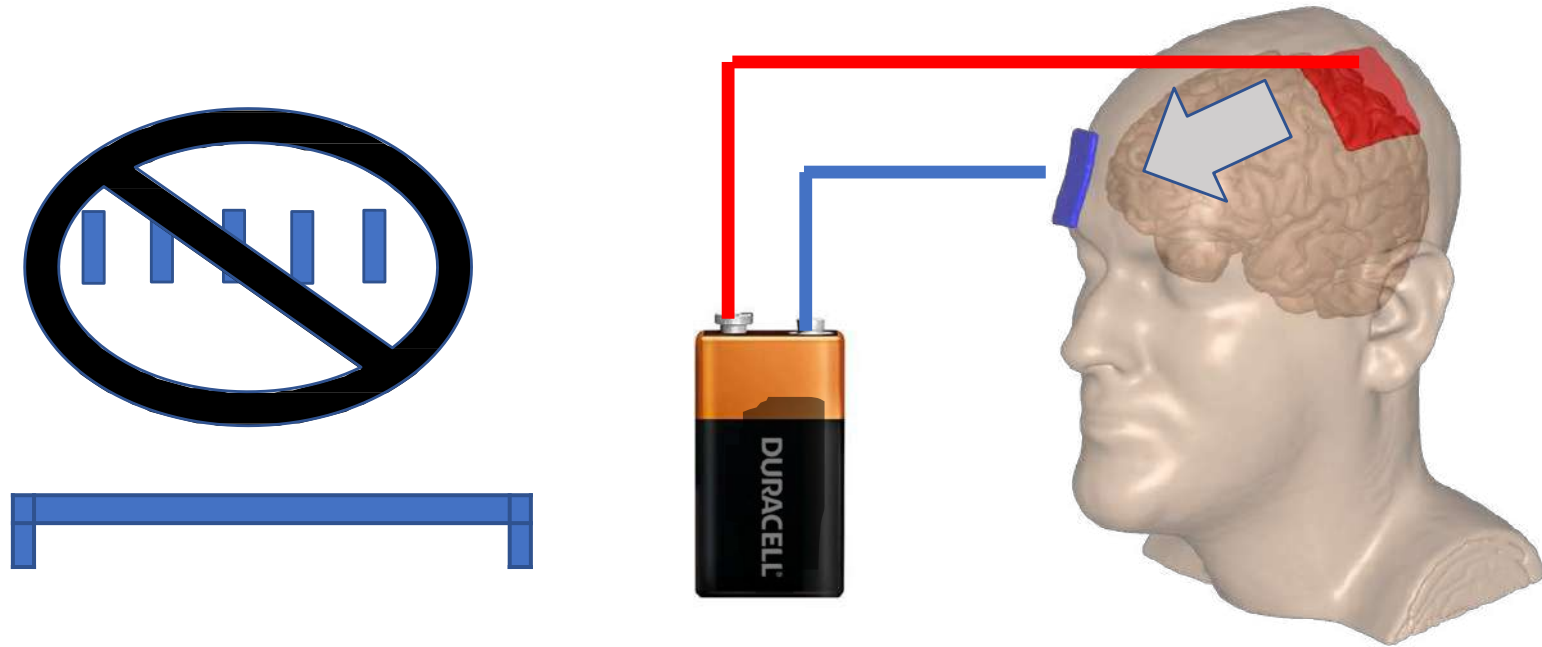


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Commonly used Modern tES



Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation (tDCS) is a wearable brain stimulator applying Direct Current (no pulses)



(Probably) most investigated interventional neurotechnology

tDCS (transcranial Direct Current Stimulation)

Cathode (-)
Electrode



Anode (+)
Electrode

2 mA

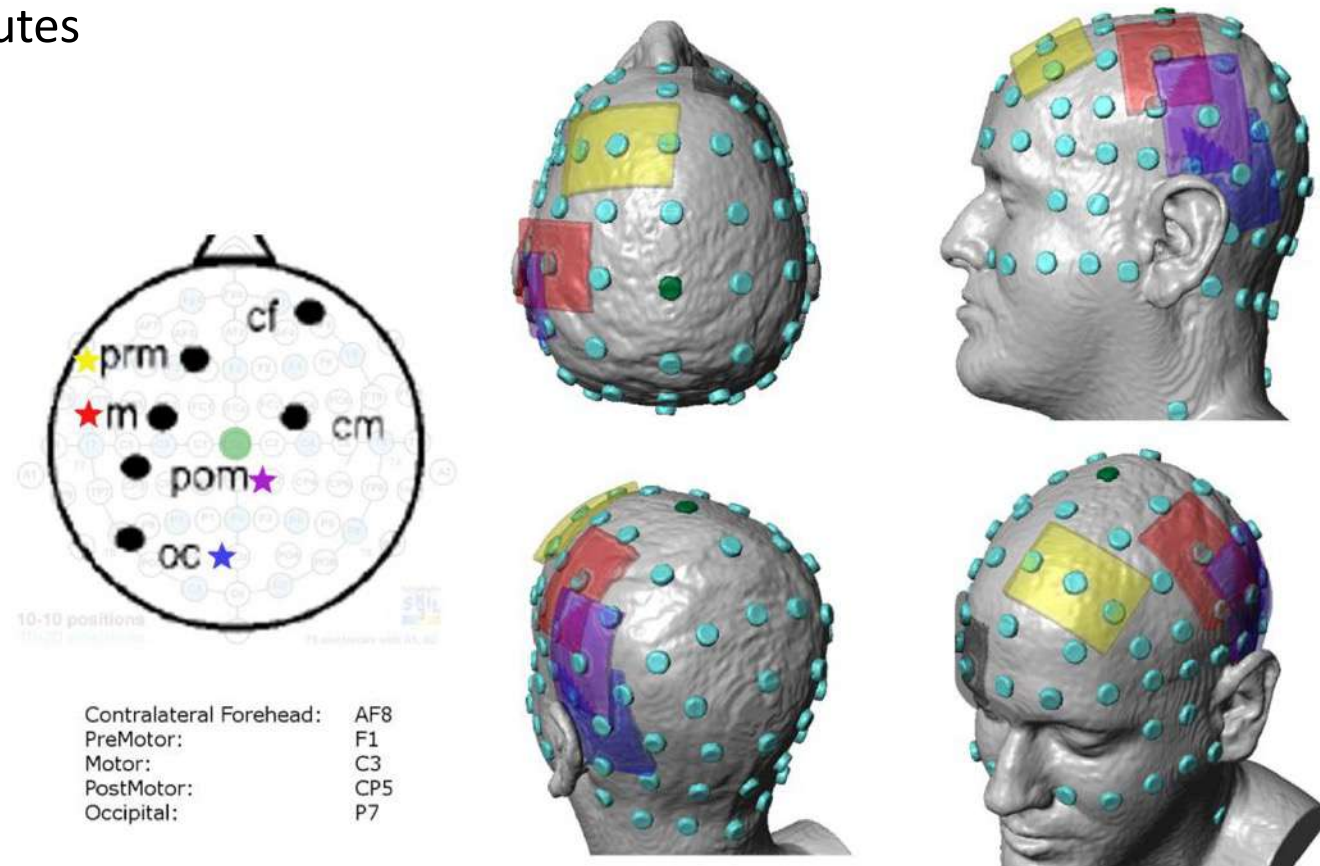
20-minute session



“Anodal” / “Cathodal” refer to
proximity of target

How do we do it ?

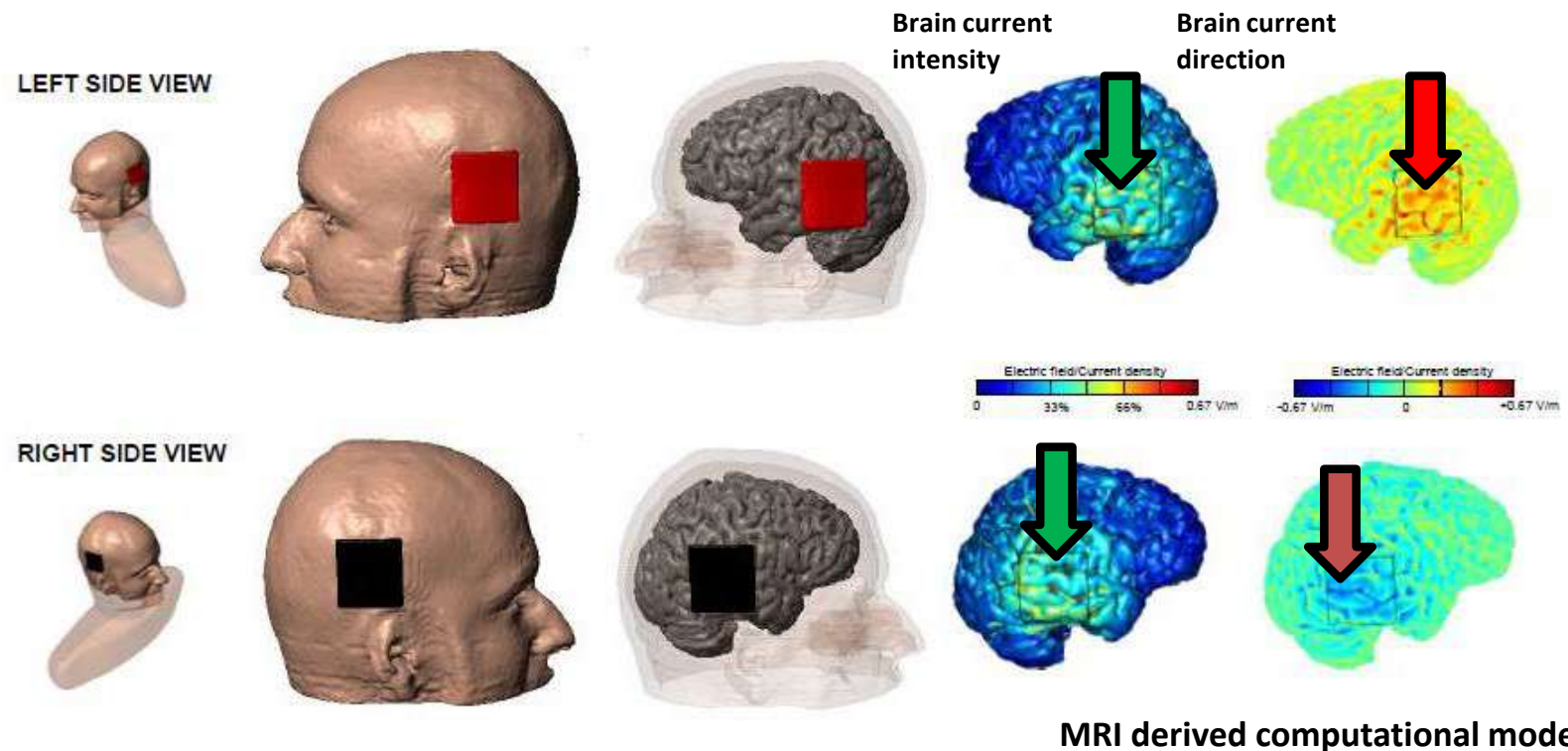
- Size, position, and current applied to electrodes
- Example: 5x5 cm² electrodes, C3 Anode, S0 Cathode, 2 mA for 20 minutes

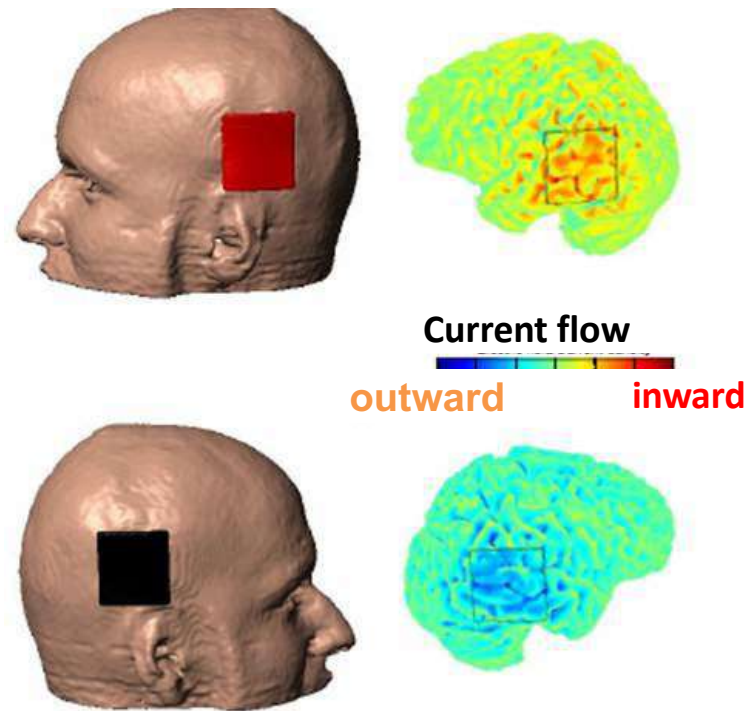


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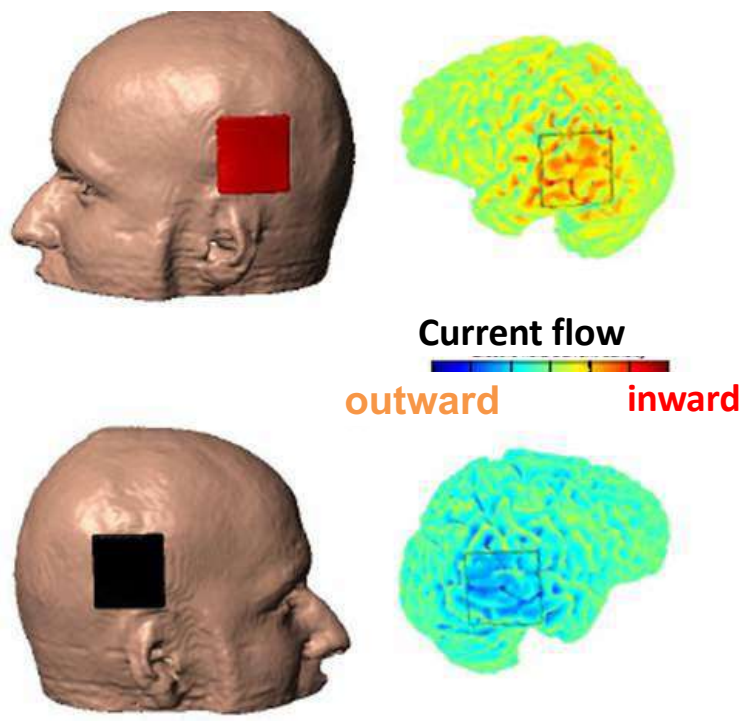
Mechanism: tDCS

- Current passed between **ANODE(+)** and **CATHODE(-)**
- **DC CURRENT FLOW** across cortex.
- Current is **INWARD** under **ANODE** and **OUTWARD** under **CATHODE**

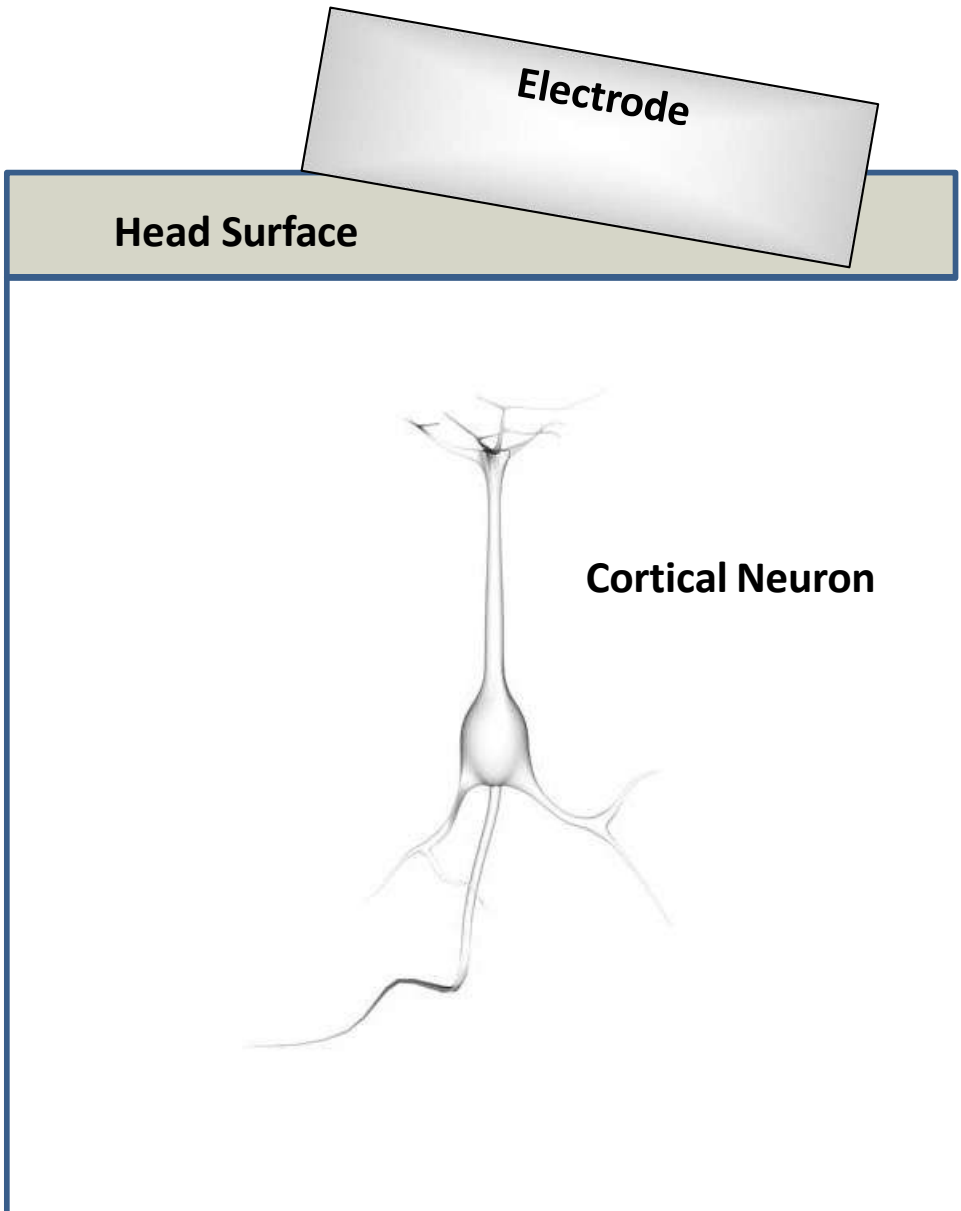


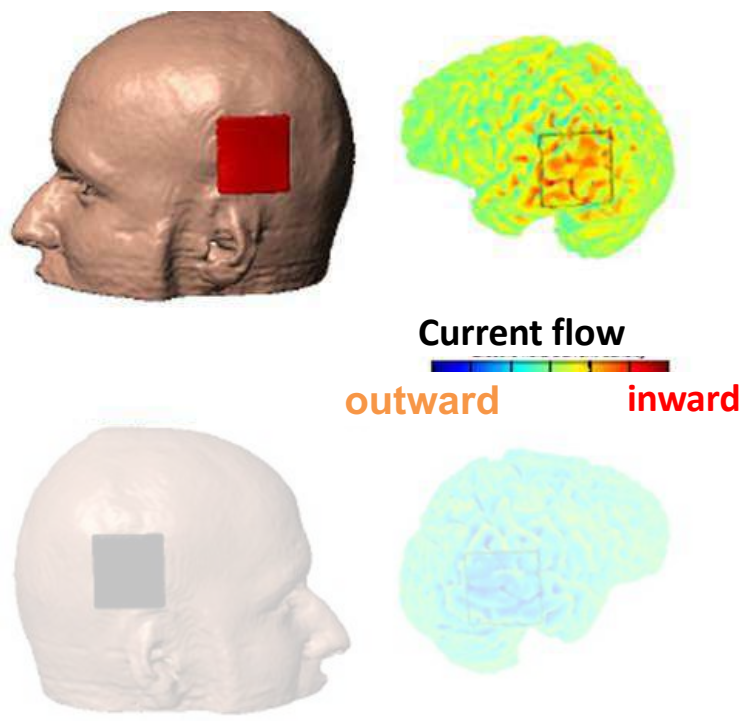


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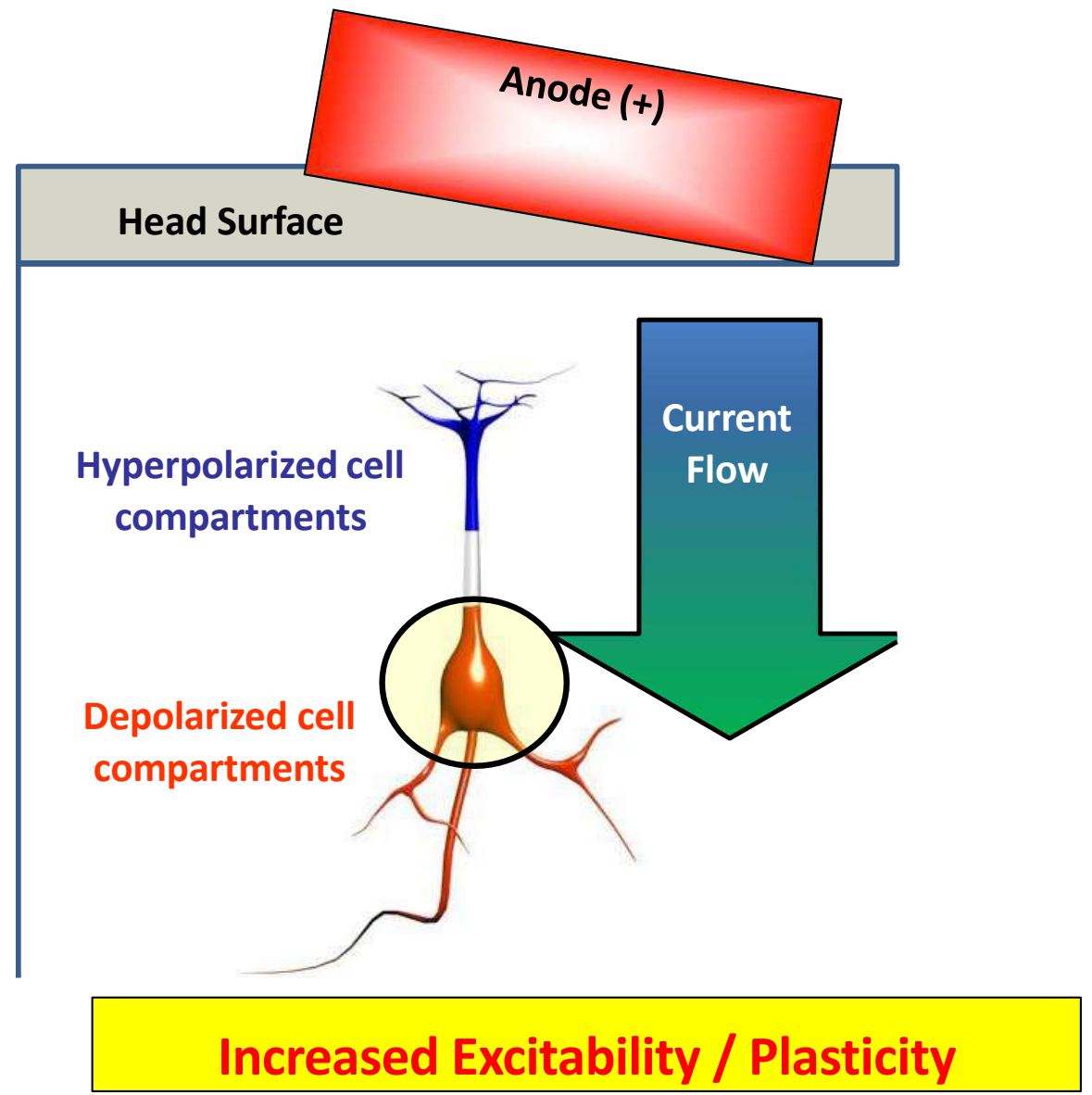


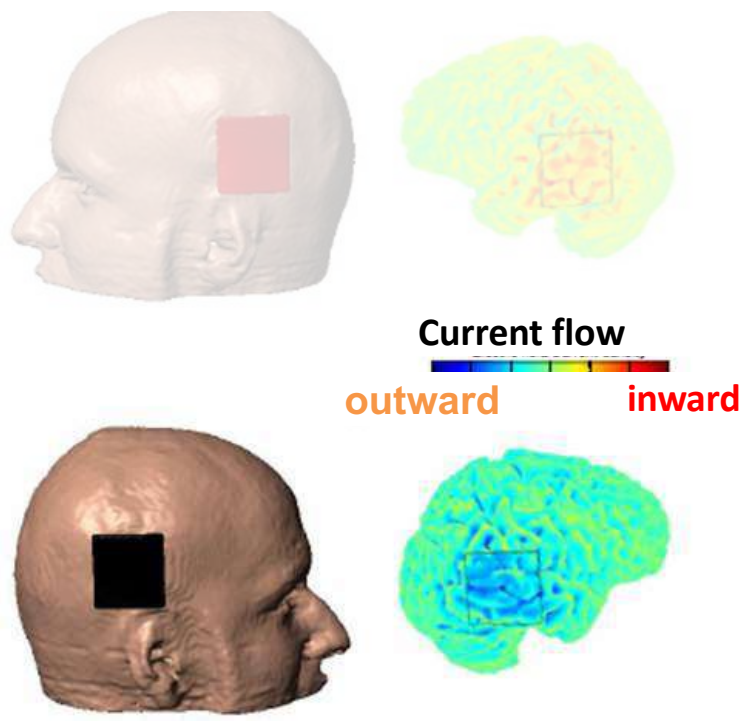
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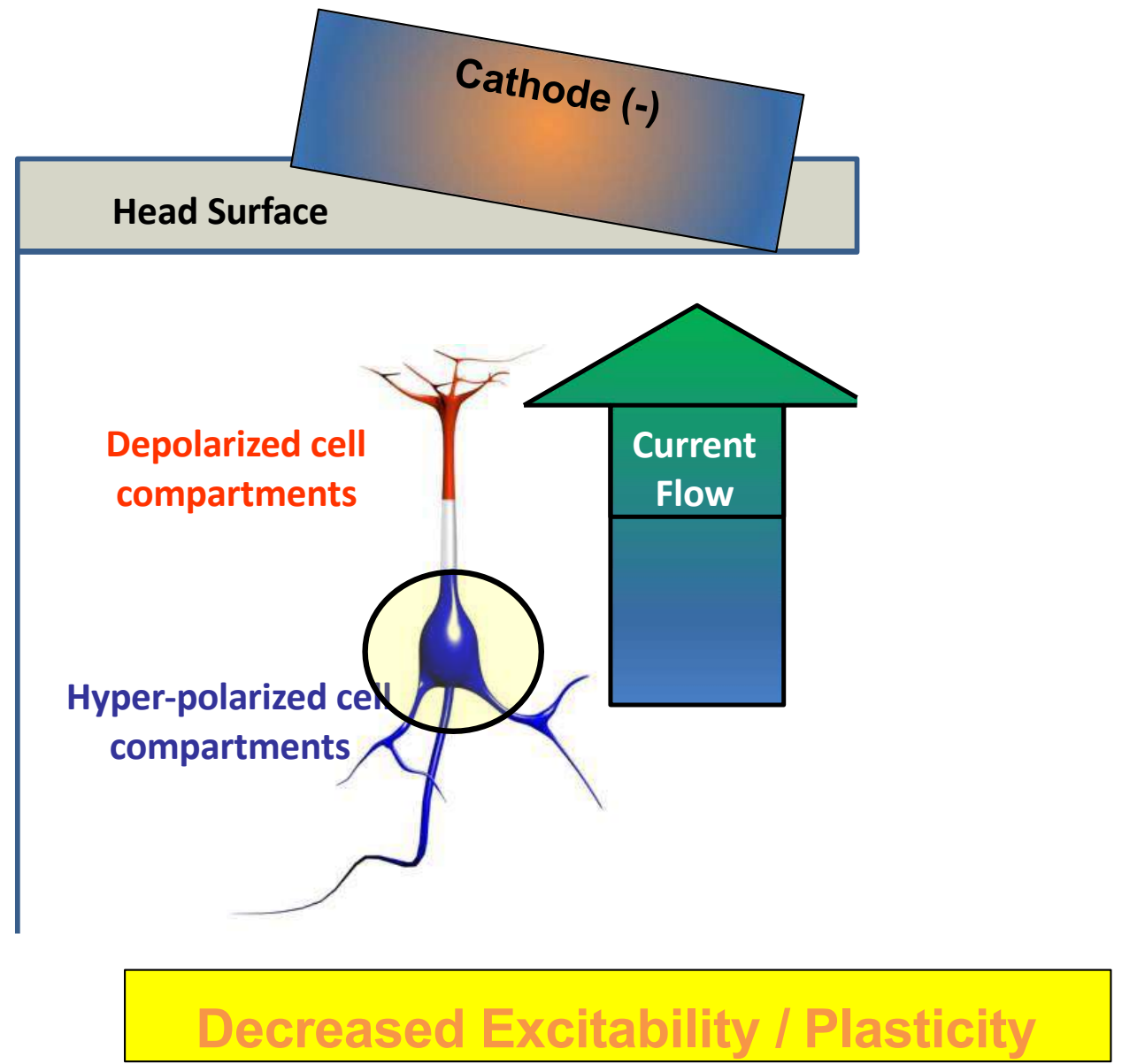


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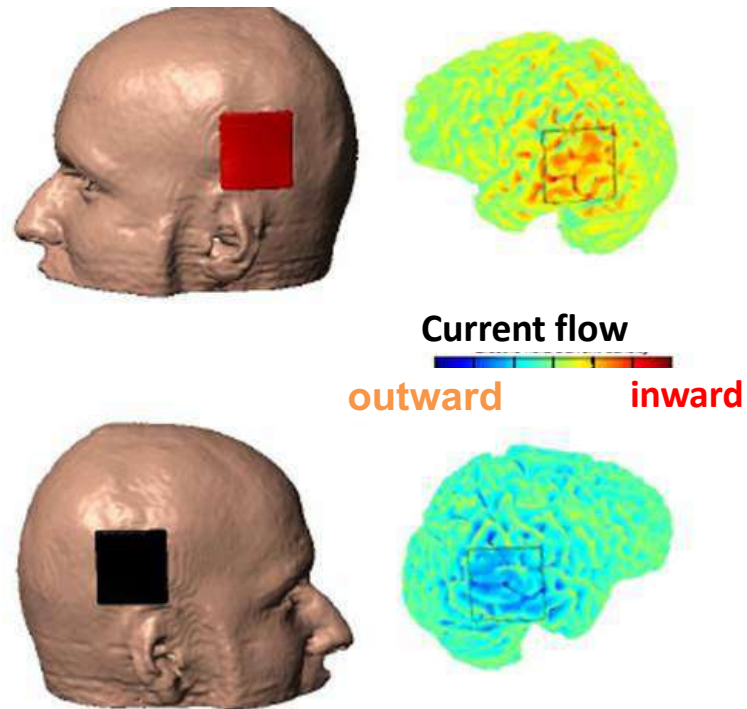


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Central assumption: **Inward/Outward current flow produces Excitation/Inhibition**

Then, classic tDCS design:



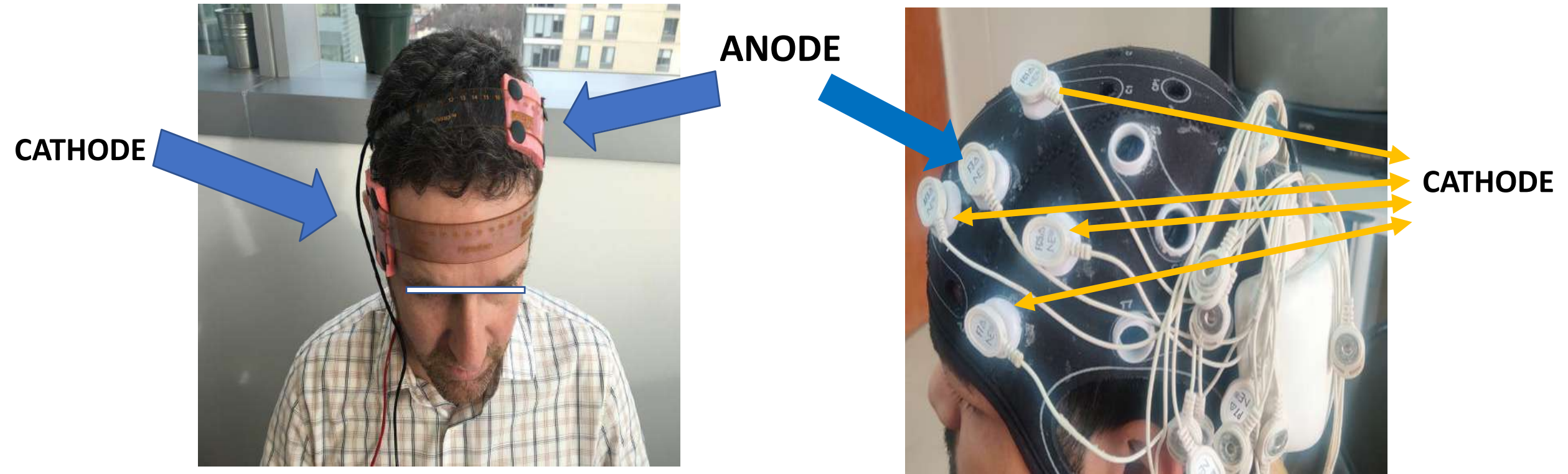
- “Active” electrode placed over the target and polarity selected to Excite (Anode) or Inhibit (Cathode)
- “Return” (“reference”) electrode placed somewhere else, and ignored

HD tDCS

WEARABLE
DEVICES



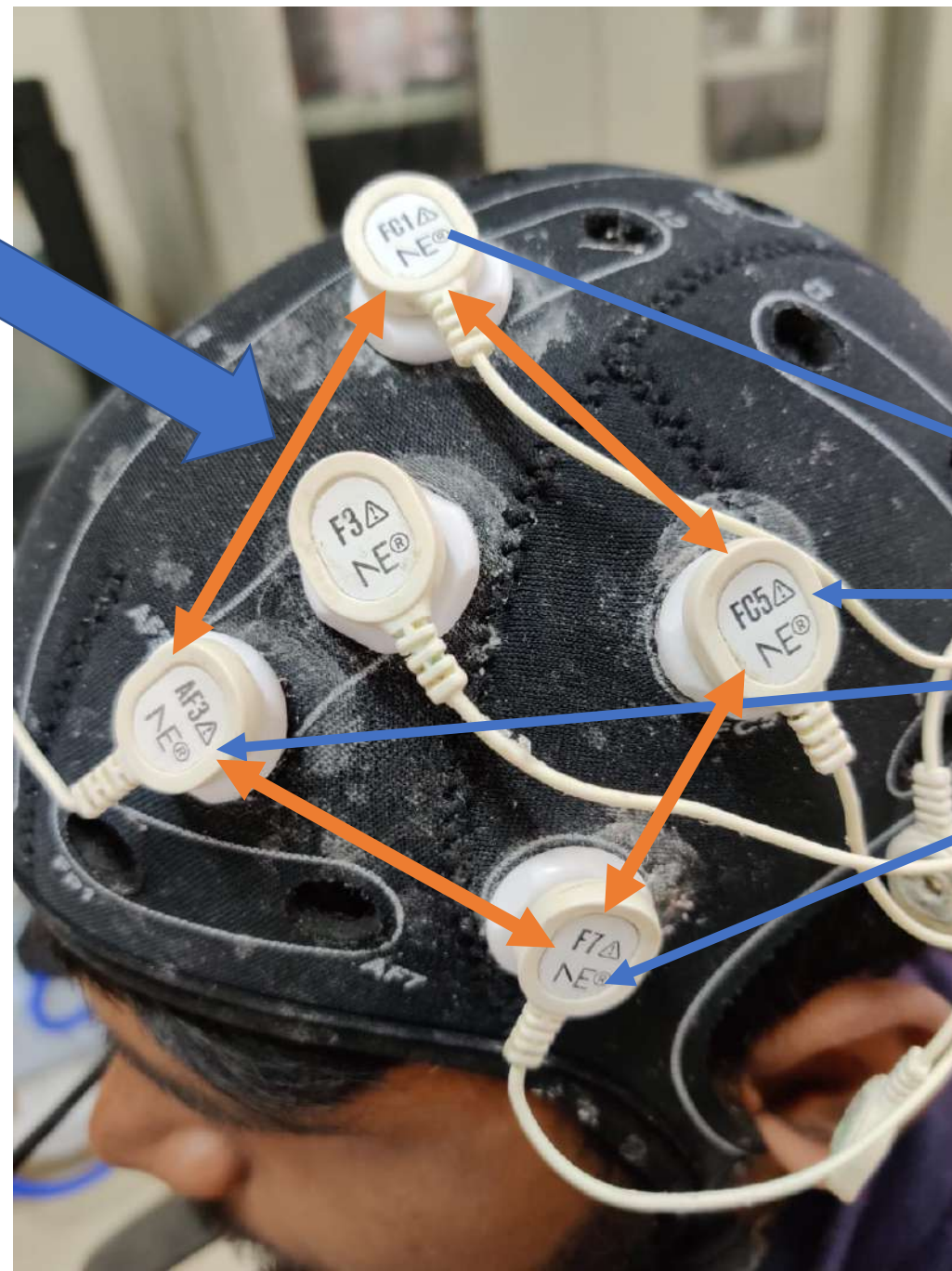
Conventional tDCS vs HD-tDCS



Polarity of the central HD electrode determines the dominant polarity of stimulation

**LEFT DLPFC
ANODAL**

**4*1 RING
ARRANGEMENT**



CATHODAL

tDCS Recommendations

Table 1: tDCS indications and precautions

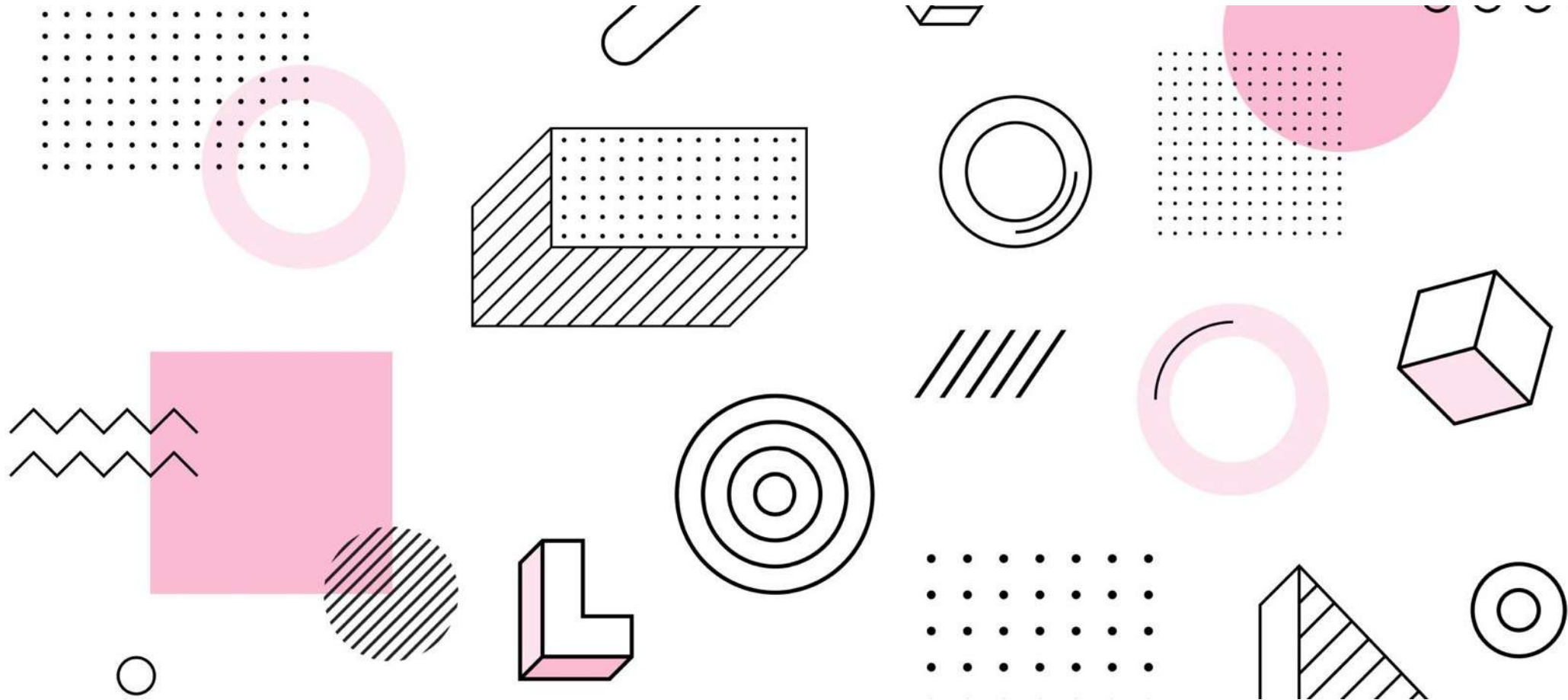
Indications	Precautions
1. Major depressive disorder	a. Structural head injury
2. Persistent auditory hallucinations in schizophrenia. Possibly for positive and negative symptoms.	b. Epilepsy in patient/family
3. Craving in alcohol dependence and tobacco smoking: Relapse prevention	c. Scalp injury/skin lesions
4. Obsessive-compulsive disorder	d. Implanted medical devices
5. Mild cognitive impairment and dementia	e. Foreign body in head/eyes
	f. Past history of adversities with tDCS/rTMS

Table 5: tDCS protocols for psychiatric disorders with promising evidence from RCTs

Diagnosis	Anode	Cathode	Duration	Sessions
Schizophrenia	Left DLPFC	Left TPJ	20 min	2 per day × 5 days
OCD*	Pre SMA	Right supraorbital	20 min	2 per day × 5 days
Craving (substance-use disorder)	Right DLPFC	Left DLPFC	20 min	1 per day × 5 days
Depression	Left DLPFC	Right DLPFC	30 min	1 per day × 10 days [^]
Dementia/MCI [§]	Left DLPFC	Right supraorbital	20 min	1 per day × 5 days

*In OCD three types of montages: SMA/Pre-SMA anode, SMA/Pre-SMA cathode, and right cerebellar anode are found to be effective. [^]20-30 days of stimulation are attempted in a few large RCT. [§]In dementia, one RCT has used 10 days daily sessions every month for 8 months. OCD: Obsessive compulsive disorder; SUD: Substance use disorder; DLPFC: Dorsolateral prefrontal cortex; SMA: Supplementary motor area; TPJ: Temporoparietal junction; MCI: Mild cognitive impairment

Hybrid Stimulation



NEUROSYSTEMS

Combined transcranial alternating current stimulation and continuous theta burst stimulation: a novel approach for neuroplasticity induction

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ORIGINAL STUDY

Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation Priming of Therapeutic Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation *A Pilot Study*

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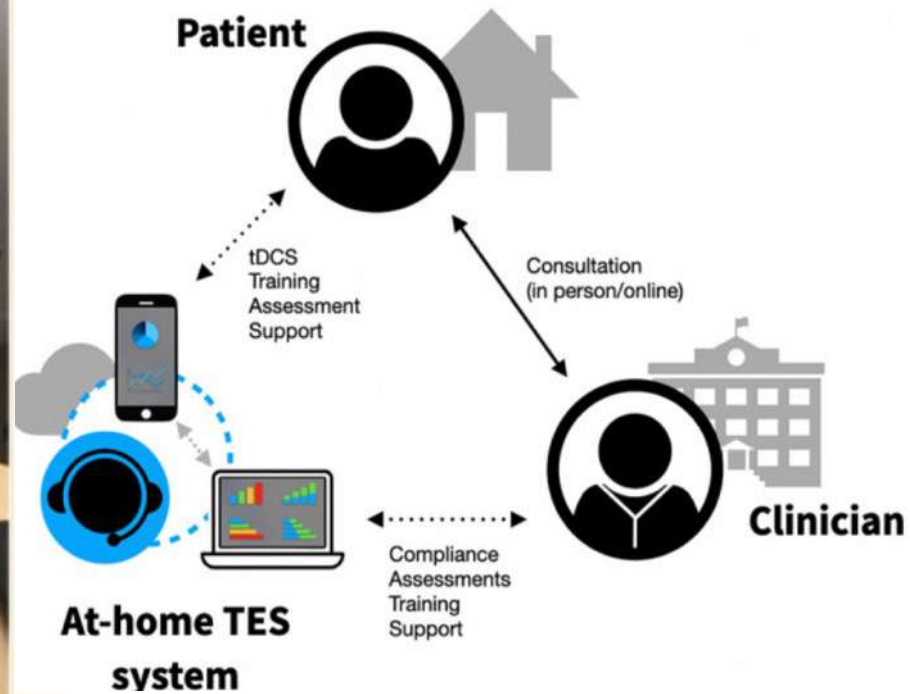
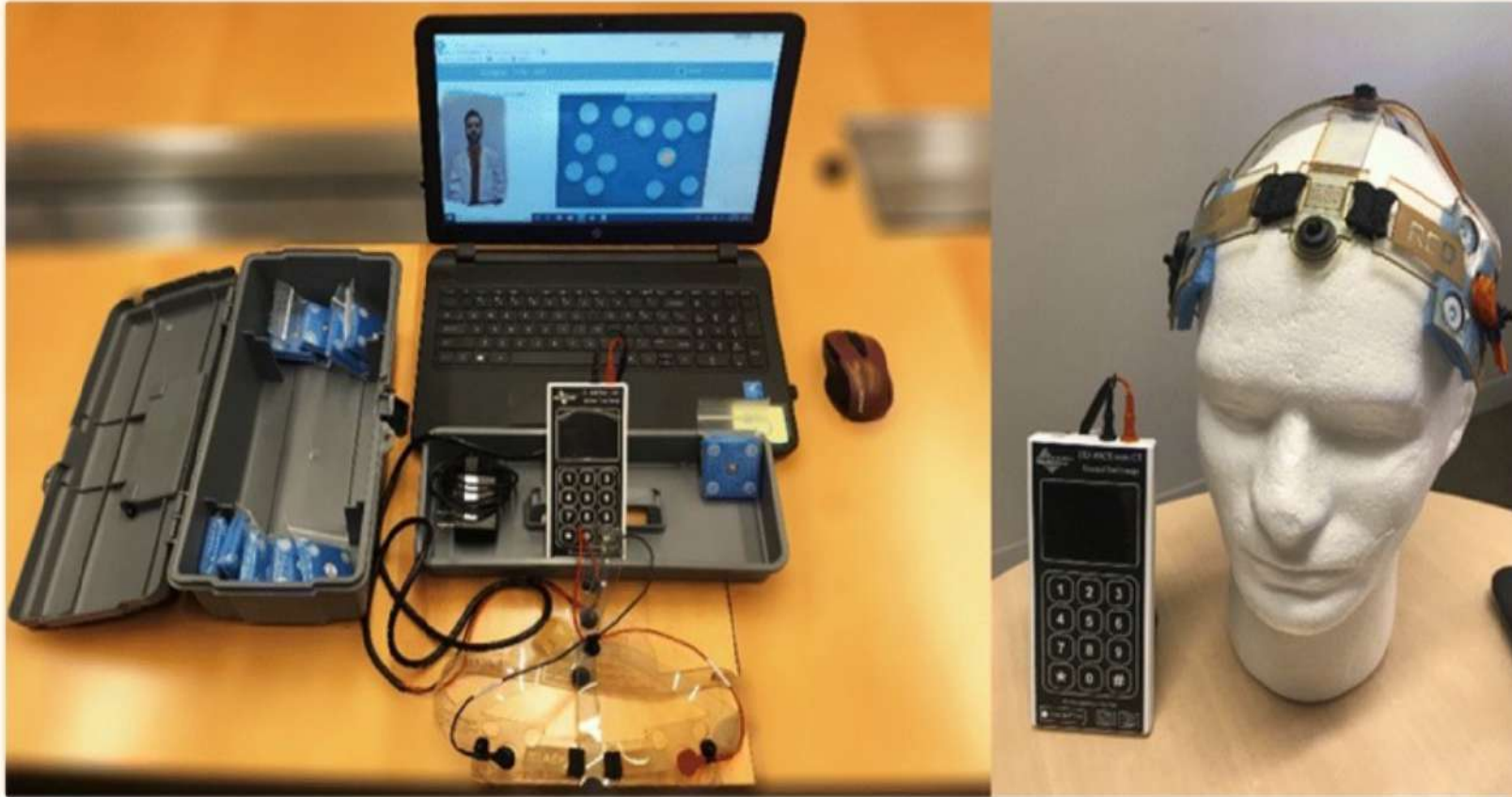
*Philip Mitchell, MBBS, MD, FRANZCP, FRCPsych, *† and Perminder Sachdev, MD, PhD, FRANZCP, *§*

Other emerging or experimental methods

- Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS)
- Transcranial Electrical Stimulation (TENS)
- Transcranial Alternating Current Stimulation (tACS)
- Random Noise Stimulation
- Transcranial Laser Stimulation using Functional Infrared Spectroscopy
- External Trigeminal Nerve Stimulation

What Future Beholds??

Tele-tECS



Tele-tECS



Easily portable & Easy to administer

Safe & non-invasive

Cheaper

Possibility of remotely supervised treatment & resolve accessibility barriers

Decreases visits to clinic for treatment & increases compliance

Suited for long term use & rehabilitation in old age

Ethics of Brain Stimulation

Although the risk is small, it is always present, we have to see:

- How can you **minimize risk** & discomfort?
- What is the **minimal stimulation** necessary?
- Is the TMS information **clear and consent informed**?
- Are subjects *always* **screened**?
- Is the practitioner safety **trained**?
- Are **emergency procedures** clear & in place?

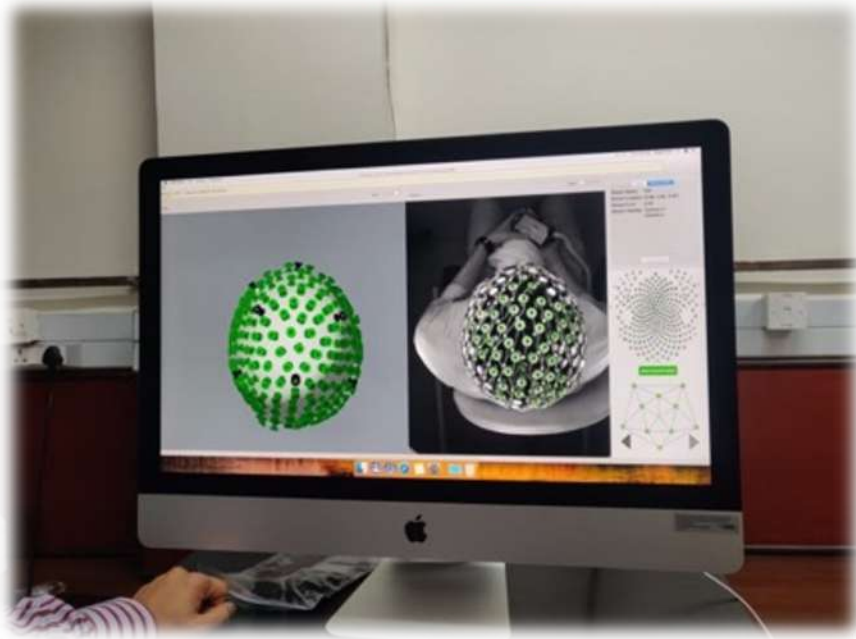
Safety

- Heating
- Magnetic field exposure
- Hearing
- Metal implants
- Seizures

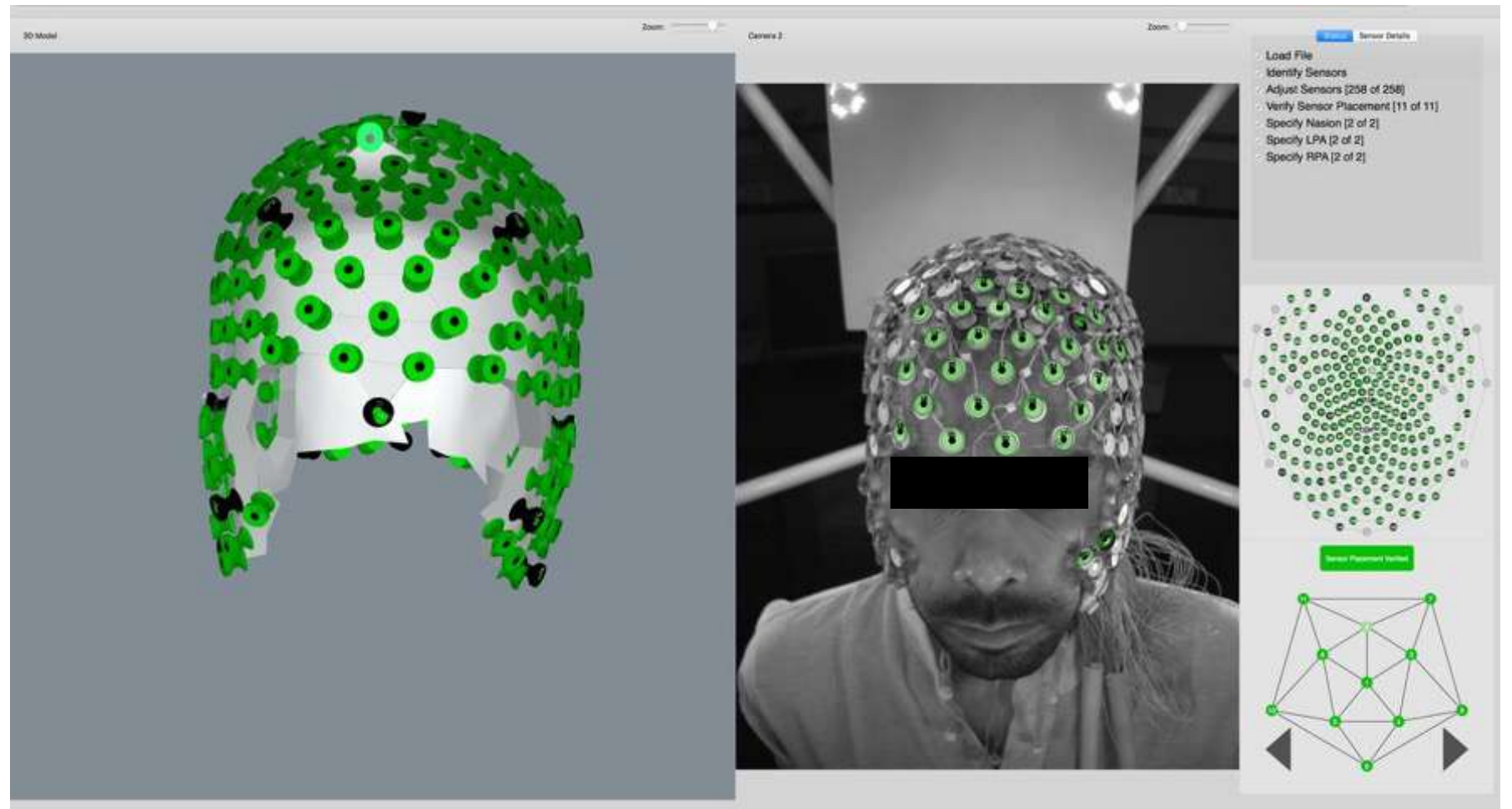
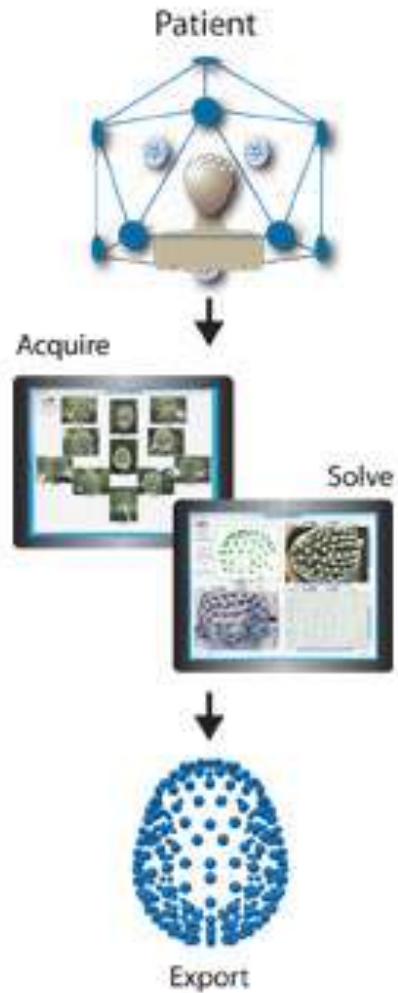
Adverse effects

- Most serious one is **seizure**
- Common side effects are
 - Scalp tenderness
 - Facial twitching
 - Acute mood changes
 - Neck pain, syncope, nausea, dizziness, erythema, sleepiness .. Short lasting and rarely require symptomatic management
 - Burning of the scalp

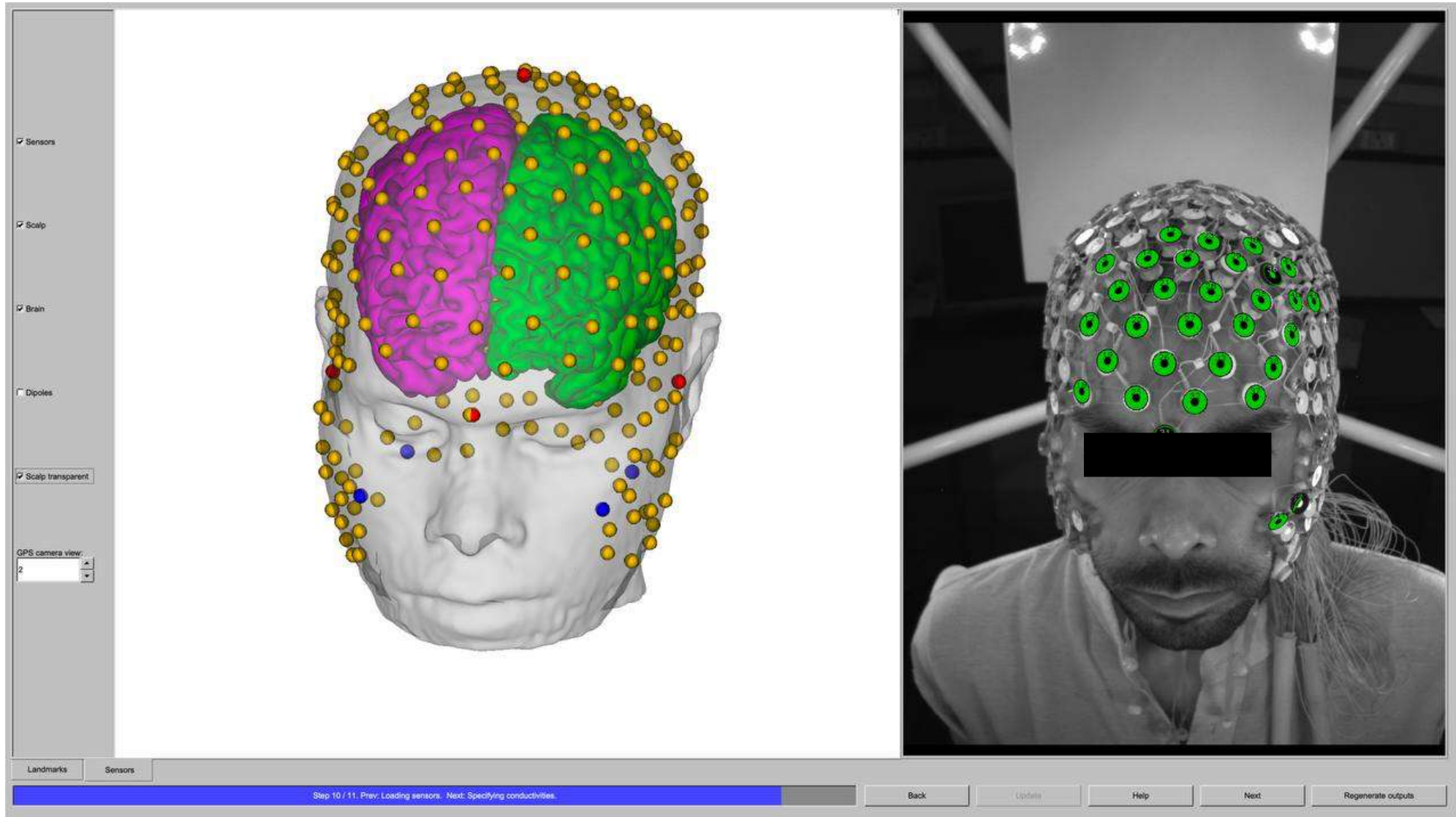
Precision Neuromodulation...



Geodesic Photogrammetry System (GPS)



Individual Head Model via FEM



Individual GTEN Planning

The Reciprocity Visualization Environment 1.1

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View Controls

- Cortical Meshes
 - Show Left Hemispheres
 - Show Right Hemispheres
- Scalp Mesh
 - Opacity:
- EEG Electrodes
 - Size:

Function Controls

- GeoSource and Topographies
 - GTEN Planning Plugin
 - Create New Pattern
 - Clear Current Pattern
- Cortex Coloring
 - Radial Current Density
 - Total Current Density
 - Source Estimate
- Cortical Value Threshold: 0%
- Total Anodal Current: 2 mA
- Total Cathodal Current: -2 mA

Available Views

- EEG Data Exploration
 - Scalp Topography Exploration
- Head Model Review
 - GPS Image Review
 - Tissue Segmentation Review
 - Atlas Electrophysics Review
 - Individual Electrophysics Review
- Source Estimate Review (Oriented)
 - Individual Oriented Sources
- Source Estimate Review (Atlas)
 - Atlas Triples Sources
- GTEN Planning
 - Individual GTEN Planning
 - Atlas GTEN Planning

Source Collections

Collections

- Triples Collections
- Oriented Collections

All Sources

Dipole Source Groups

Color	Name	Rem	Edit
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Add Selection

Import Collection

Export Collection

Delete Collection

Current Pattern

Name	Rem
1: IACS	

Add Current Pattern

Add Rest Period

Current Density Plot

mA

Time

Pattern: IACS
Amp: 2 mA
Dur: 00:20:00
Freq: 40 Hz

0.0 2 00:21:00

Load Plan

Save Plan

Patient Details

First (Given) Name:

Last (Family) Name: IARMJIT KUMAR SINGH

Patient ID: Dharmjit Kumar Singh

Medical Record ID: 697/23

Date of Birth: 19890101

Gender: M

Conclusion

- The **subspecialty of “interventional psychiatry”** has been proposed
- Need for **formal recognition** of interventional psychiatry as a subspecialty
- Need for **operationalized training programs** in this rapidly emerging field
- The cultivation of a properly trained cohort of interventional psychiatrists will **better meet the challenges of treatment-resistant psychiatric illness**
- **Safe and ethical practice**, while facilitating a **more informed development** and **integration of novel neuromodulation techniques**



Thank You for your kind attention!!!

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