

FUNCTIONAL NEUROSURGERY

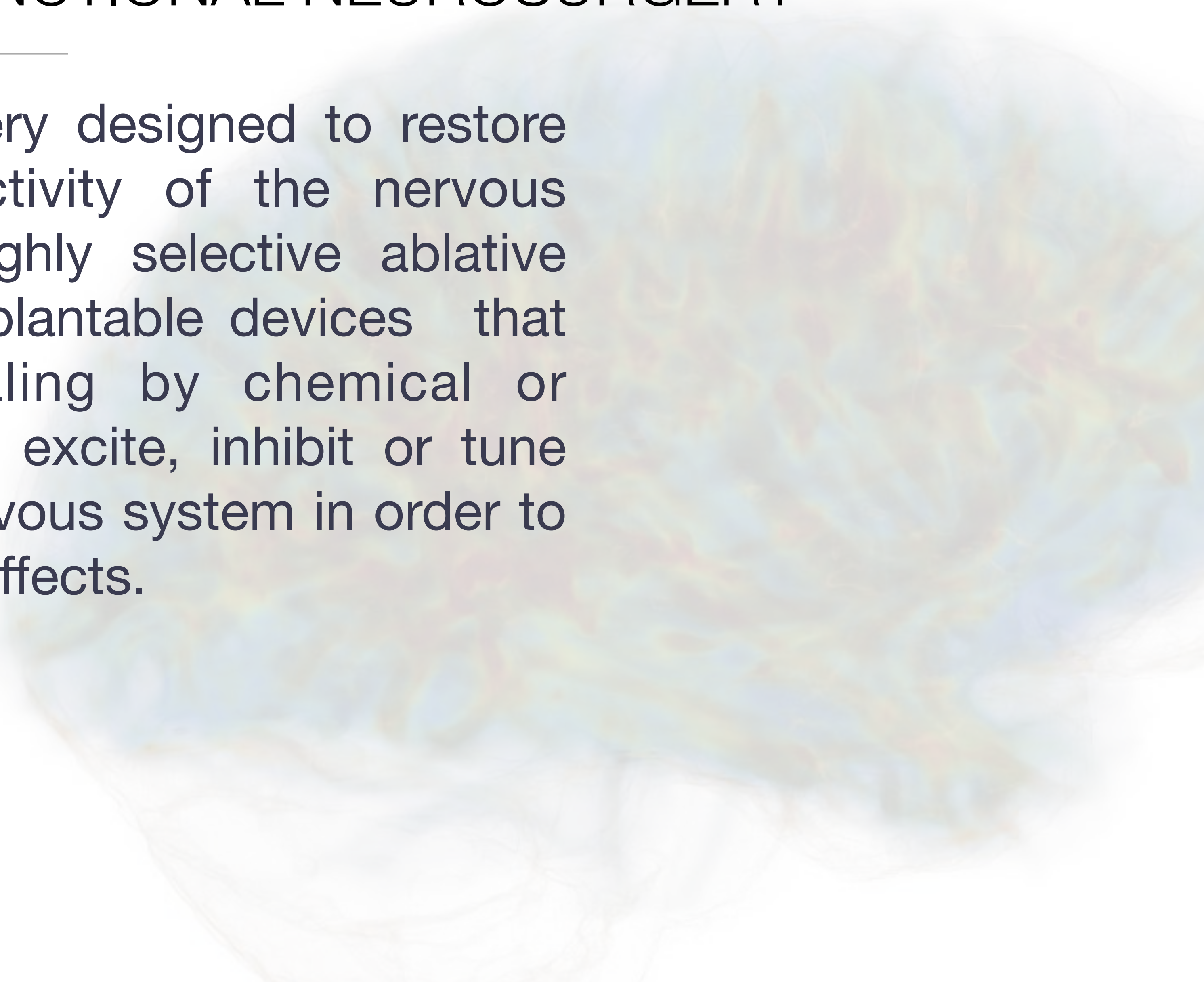
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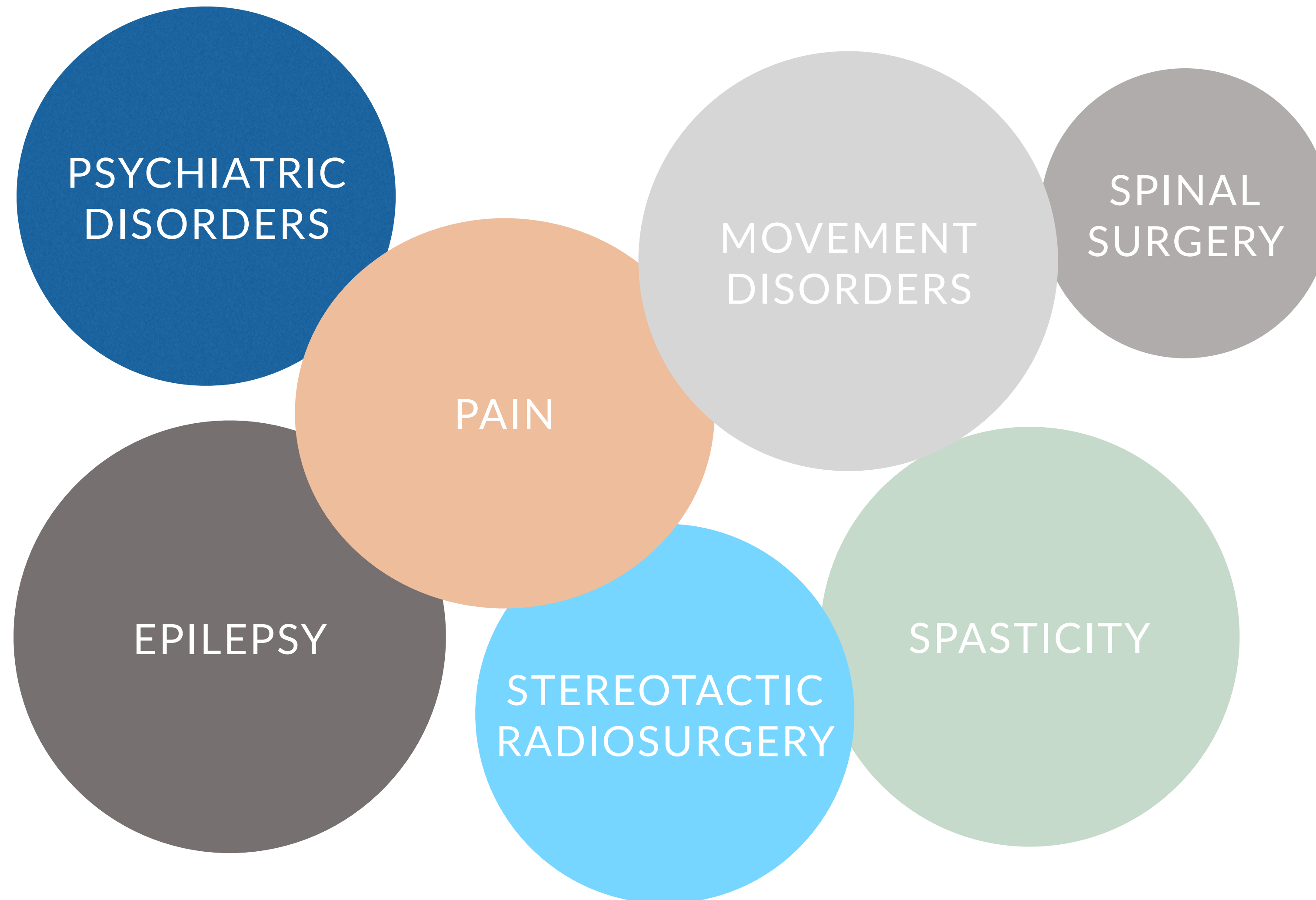
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DEFINITION OF FUNCTIONAL NEUROSURGERY

A field of neurosurgery designed to restore the physiological activity of the nervous system by either highly selective ablative procedures or by implantable devices that influence the signaling by chemical or electrical means and excite, inhibit or tune conduction in the nervous system in order to produce therapeutic effects.

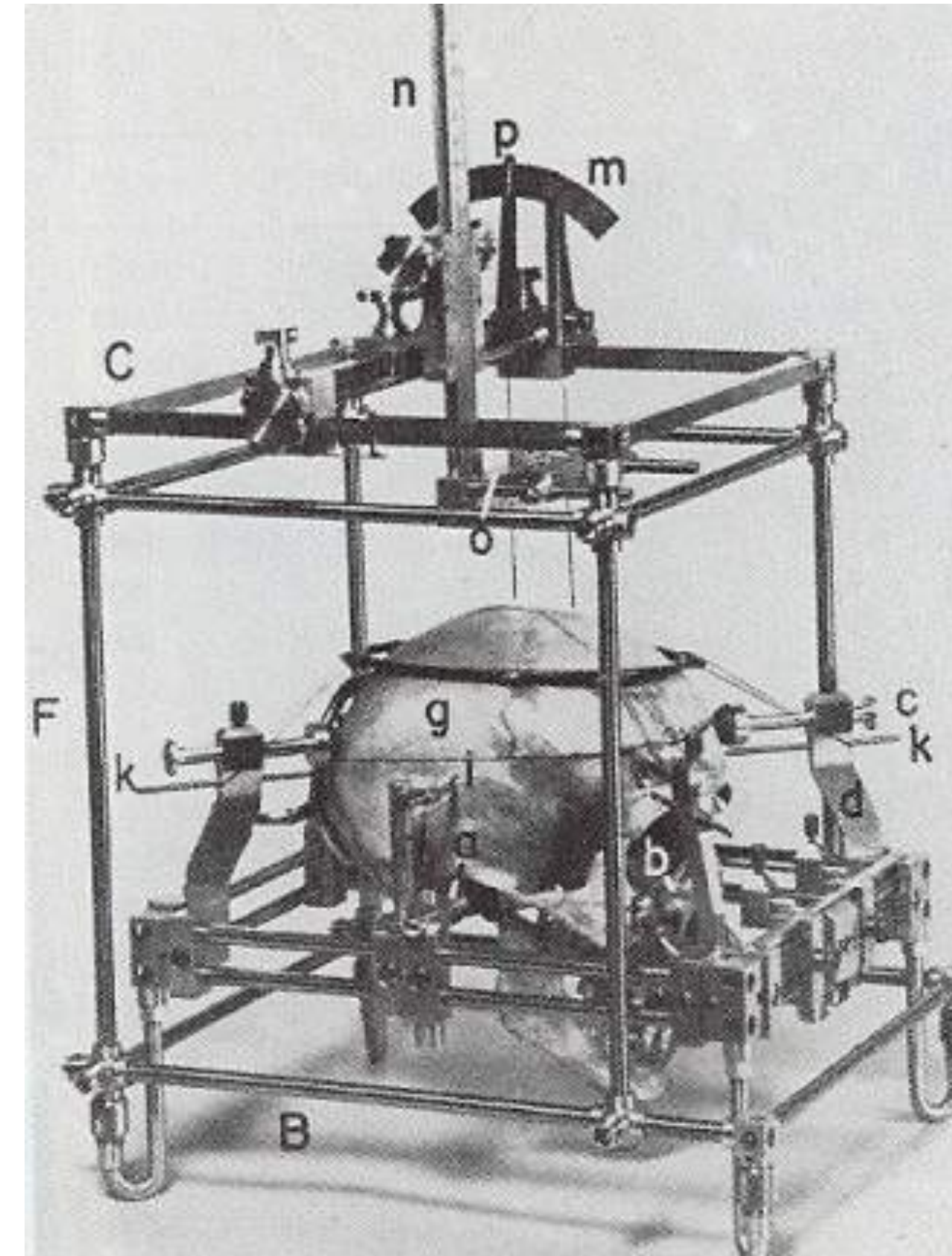


FUNCTIONAL NEUROSURGERY



HISTORY OF FUNCTIONAL NEUROSURGERY

- 1907 Horsley, Clarke stereoencephalotom
- 1947 Spiegel és Wycis human stereotactic surgery
- 1950 Spiegel, pallidotomy, Huntington
- 1952 Cooper ant. choroid. art. Ligation in PD, GP infarct
- 1952 Hassler, Riechert VL thalamotomy
- 1953 Mérei , Pécs – Hulay, Debrecen
- 1960 Szabolcs Tóth, Budapest
- 1964 microrecording in deep brain surgery
- 1968 introduction of levodopa
- 1970's Lindvall fetal dopamine (adrenal medulla graft) implantation into the striatum
- 1980's pallidotomy for levodopa dyskinesia, komplikation (bilateral lesion)
- 1980 Brice és McLellan SM thalamic stimulator
- 1993 Benabid subthalamic nucleus (STN) stimulation





NEUROMODULATION

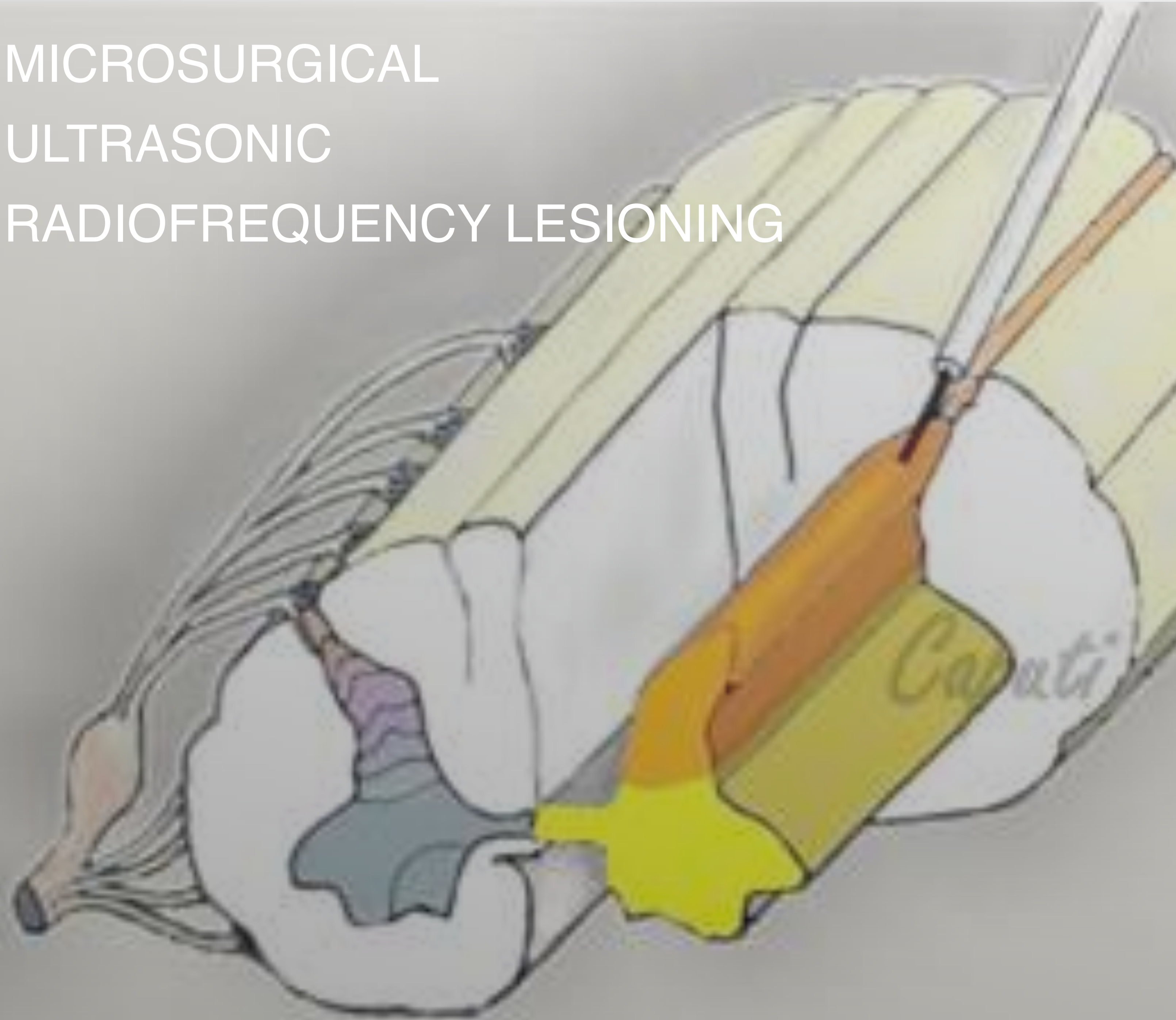
- Neurostimulation PNS, GGS, DBS, SCS, MCS
- Intrathecal chemical neuromodulation (pumps)
- Pulse radiofrequency procedures
- Neurovascular decompression
- Introduce the advanced functional neurosurgical practice for pain



ABLATIVE, PALLIATIVE

- Neurectomy/neurolysis
- Ganglionectomy/Rhizotomy
- DREZ
- Sympatectomy
- Cordotomy/myelotomy
- Mesencephalotomy
- Nc.Caudalis DREZ, Trigeminal tractotomy/nucleotomy
- Medial thalamotomy
- Cingulotomy
- Percutan RF/chemical/balloon compression for trigeminal neuralgia
- Gamma-knife radiosurgery?

MICROSURGICAL
ULTRASONIC
RADIOFREQUENCY LESIONING

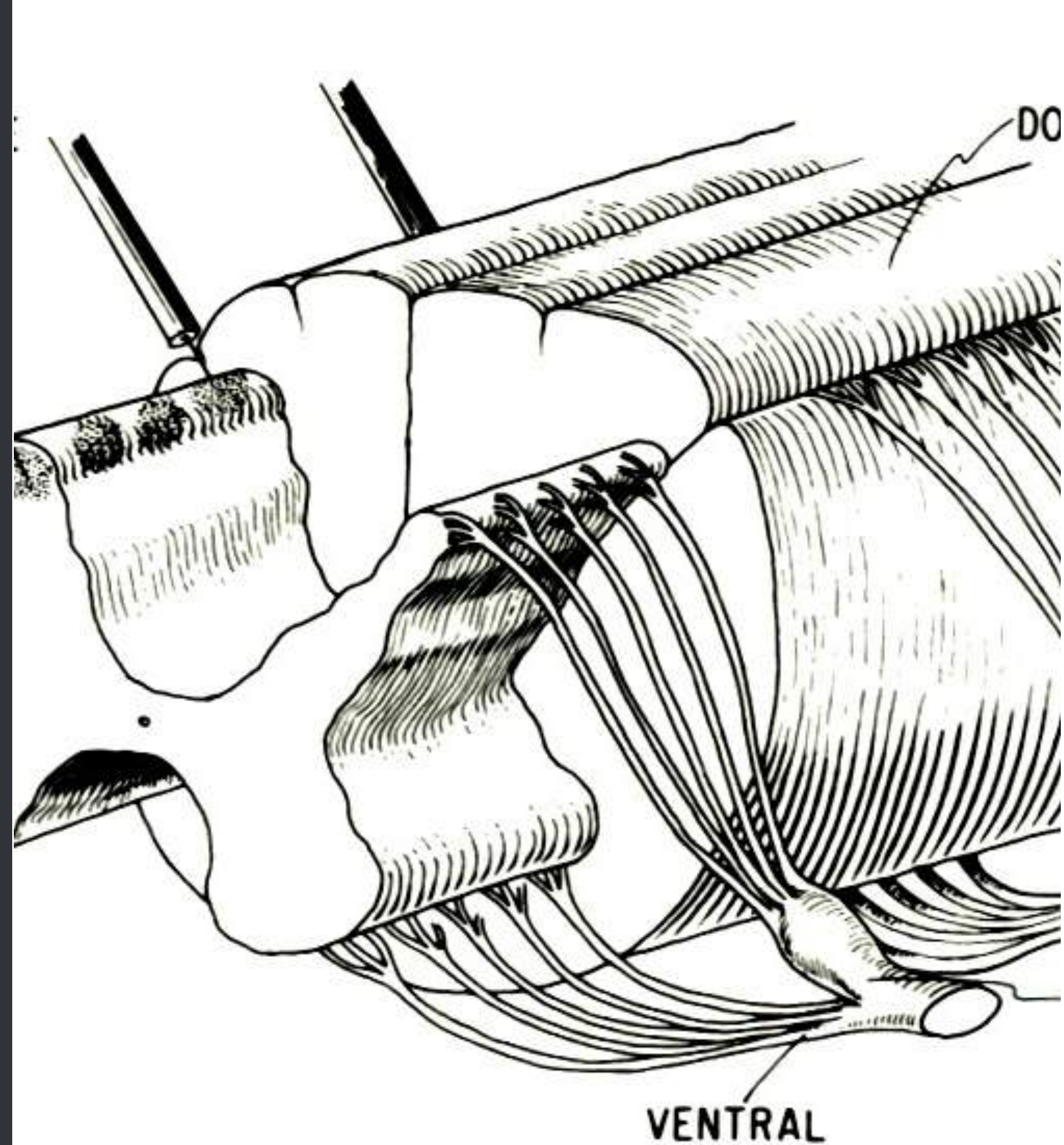


**DORSAL ROOT
ENTRY ZONE
LESION**

MICROSURGICAL DREZOTOMY

Indications:

- Cancer pain limited in extent (Pancoast tumor)
- Unresectable intrinsic benign tumors of peripheral nerves
- Persistent neuropathic pain due to brachial plexus avulsion
- Spinal cord lesion/trauma (segmental pain)
- Peripheral nerve injuries (paroxysmal type and/or allodynia, hyperalgesia)



DREZ RESULTS



- Cancer pain cervical or C/Th level 87% (46 pts)
- Cancer pain: lumbar DREZ 78% (35pts) success
 - (survival 1mo-4years) – (Sindou)
- Brachial plexus avulsion pain:
 - Duke University 54% of 39pts. (RF)
 - Queen Square 68% of 44 pts. (RF)
 - Dreval 87% of 127 pts.(ultrasonic)
 - Sindou 79% a/d, 65%at 1y (35), 66,5% 4y (27)
- Spinal cord/cauda lesions 68% (Nashold)

CORDOTOMY



- Aim: to interrupt the the spinothalamic tract contralateral to the painful side
- Procedure for nociceptive pain
- Cervical cordotomy: percutan
- Bilateral PC: abdominal, pelvic, lower extremity pain (upper extr.- respiartory failure!)
- Thoracic cordotomy: open
- CT guided percutan cordotomy (Kanpolat, 1987)

MEDIAL THALAMOTOMY

- Nociceptive > neuropathic
- Mesencephalotomy > MT
- Low risk procedure (9%)



- 70% initial pain relief Best response for: pain attacks, tactile allodynia, pins and needles and electric pain
- 30% response in continuous tearing, compressive deep pain, proprioceptive allodynia

STEREOTACTIC CINGULOTOMY FOR CHRONIC PAIN



**394 patient in the literature
53% useful vs.47% non
useful (Burchiel 2005)**

**Bortis AG et al .Historic evolution of open
cingulectomy and stereotactic cingulotomy in the
management of medically intractable psychiatric
disorders, pain and drug addiction**

**Stereotactic . And Funct Neurosurg 2009;87(5):271-91.
doi: 10.1159/000226669. Epub 2009 Jul 3.**

FRONTAL CINGULUM

1. Lat. subcallosal
2. Vent. subcallosal
3. Vent. callosal
4. Medial trans-callosal
5. "Medialmost"
6. Dorsal
7. Cingulum

FIBER RADIATIONS:

Striatum

Ant. thalamus & striatum

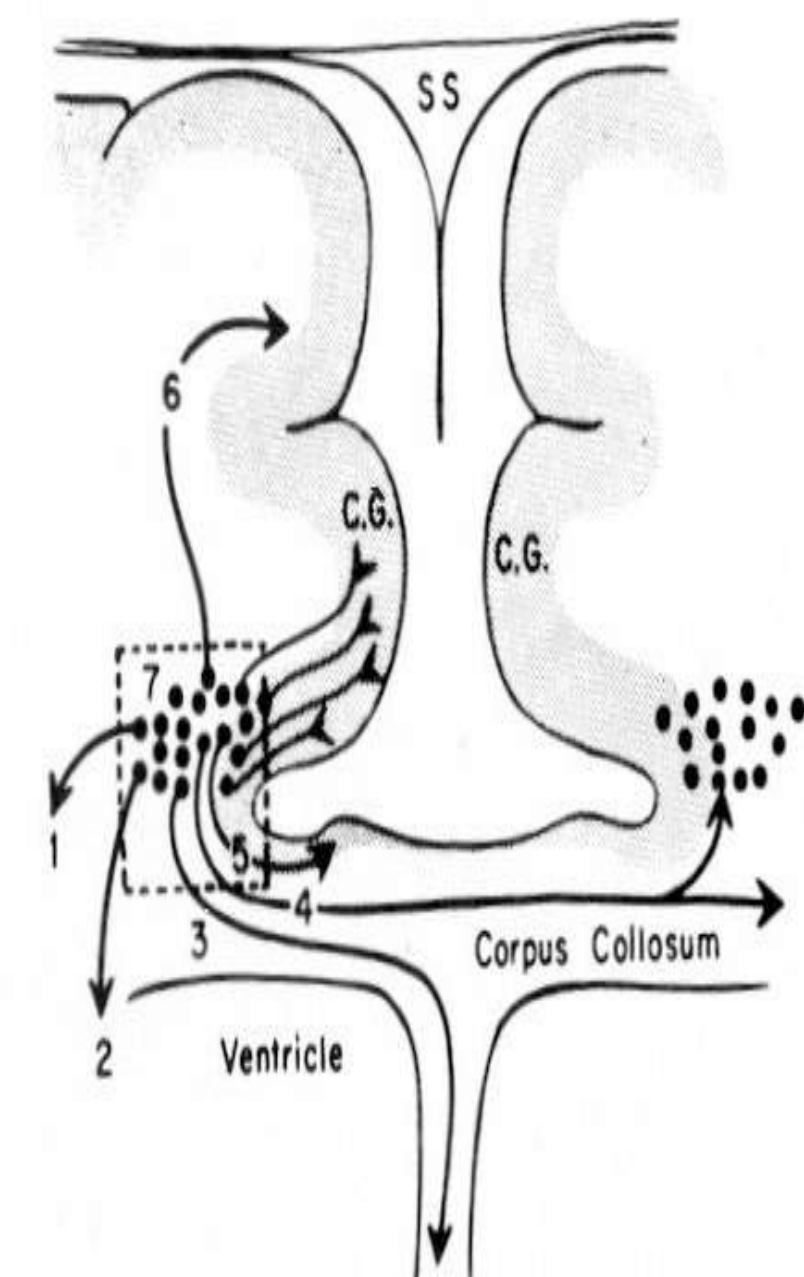
Septal region

Contralat. ant. thalamus & contralat. striatum

Induseum

"Supralimbic" cortex

Uncinate fasciculus & Area 23 & 24 & Hippocampus





FOR CHRONIC PAIN

DEEP BRAIN STIMULATION



TARGETS FOR DBS

- Periventricular grey
periaqueductal grey 10Hz
- Somatosensory nuclei
(VPL and VPM) 132Hz
- Centromedian – parafascicular
complex
- Cingulate cortex



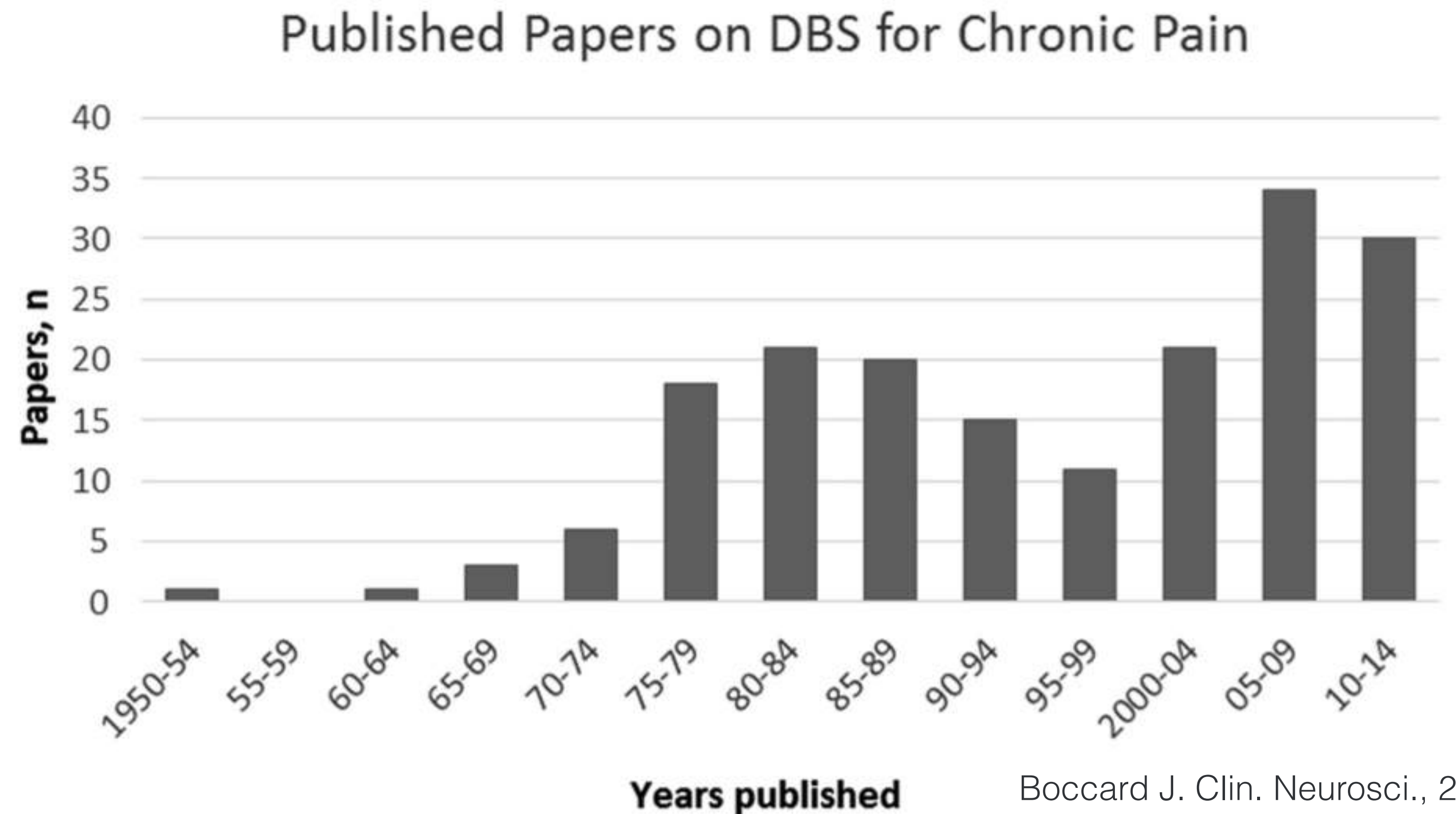
THALAMOTOMY

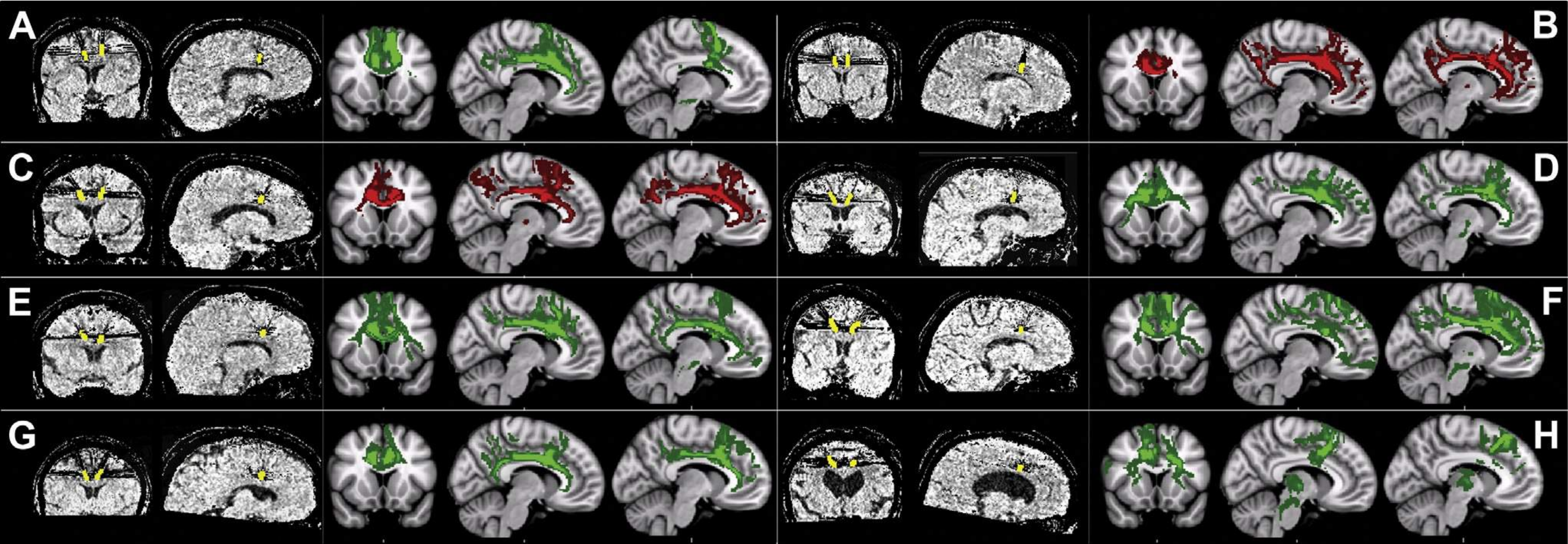
- nucleus anterior
- nucleus dorsomedialis
- nucleus limitans
- primary somatosensory nuclei (VPL
and VPM)
- centromedian-parafascicular complex
- nucleus centrolateralis
- periventricular grey
- pulvinar

DBS FOR CHRONIC PAIN

RESULTS OF 6 STUDIES (1977-1997), LONG TERM SUCCESS

- Periventricular | Periaqueductal grey matter - 79%
- PVG | PAG + Sensory thalamus or internal capsule - 87%
- Sensory thalamus alone - 58%



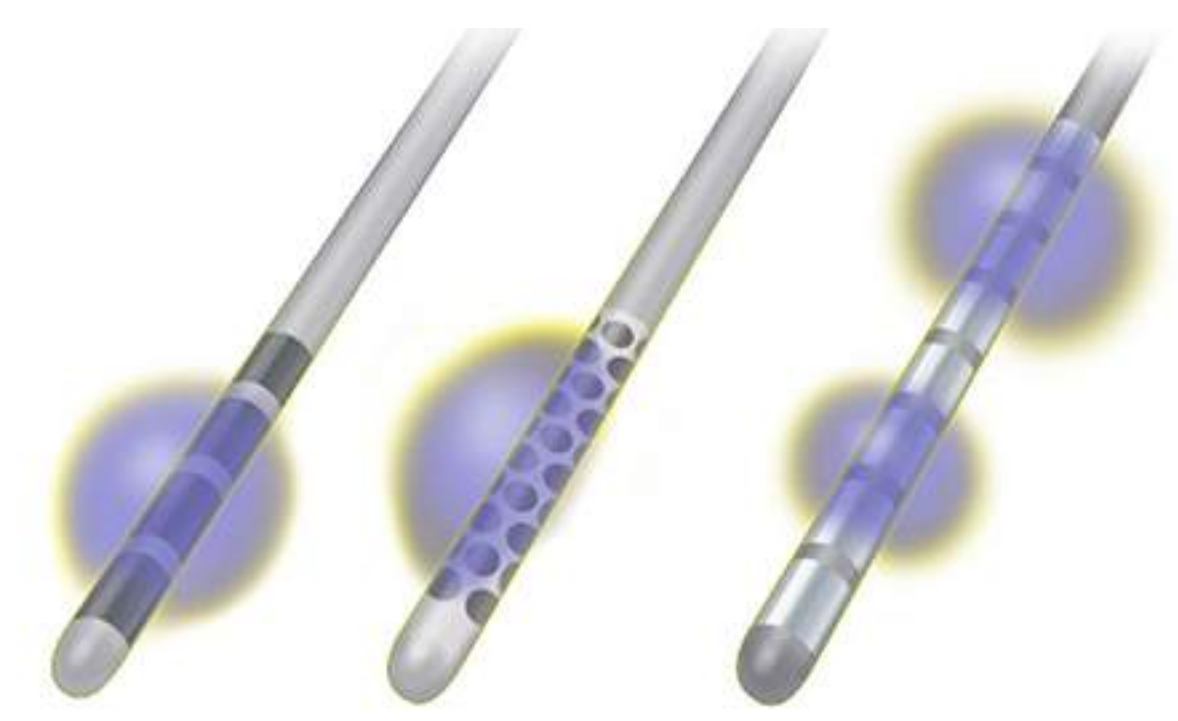
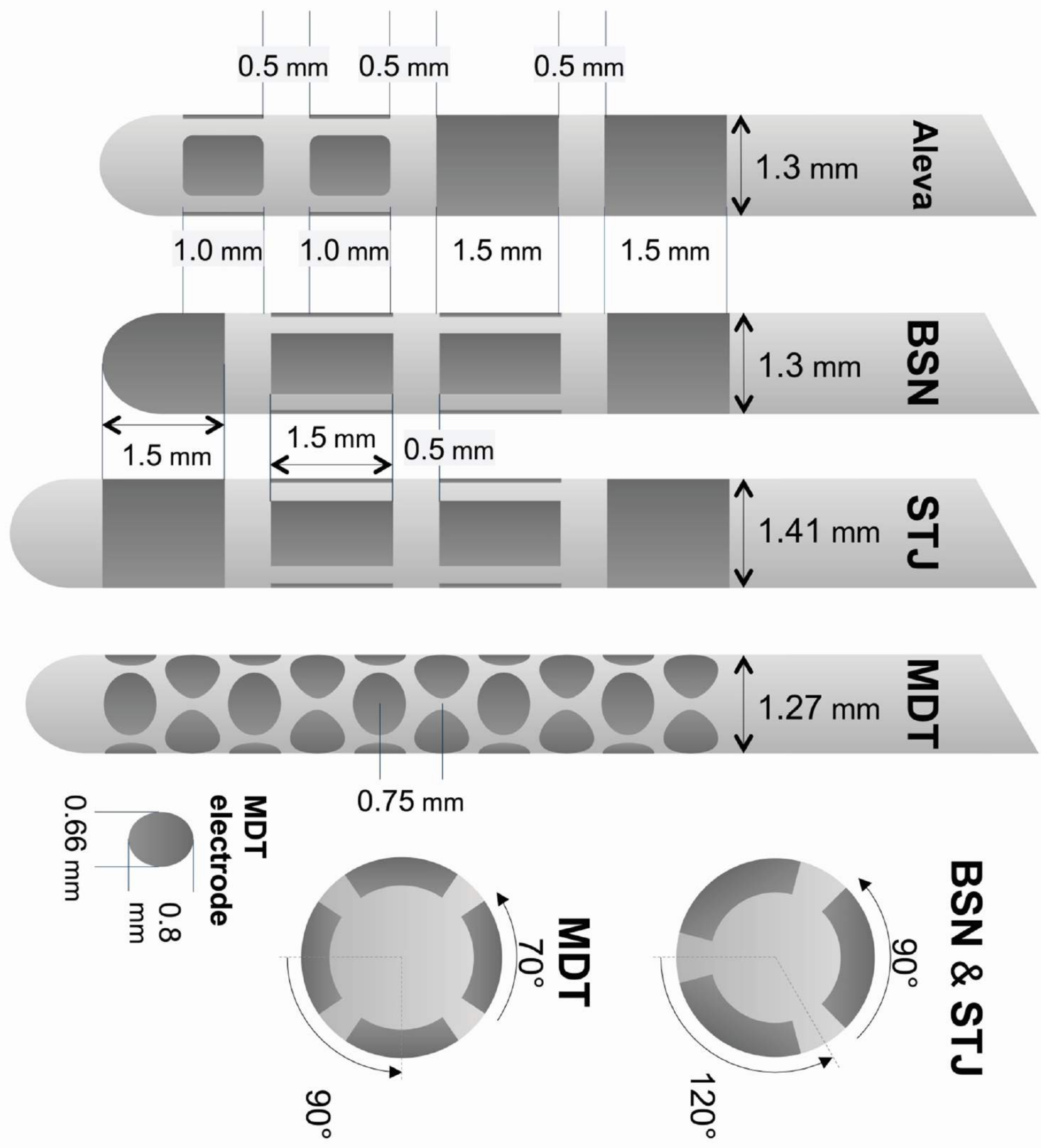


TECHNICAL ADVANCEMENTS IN DBS

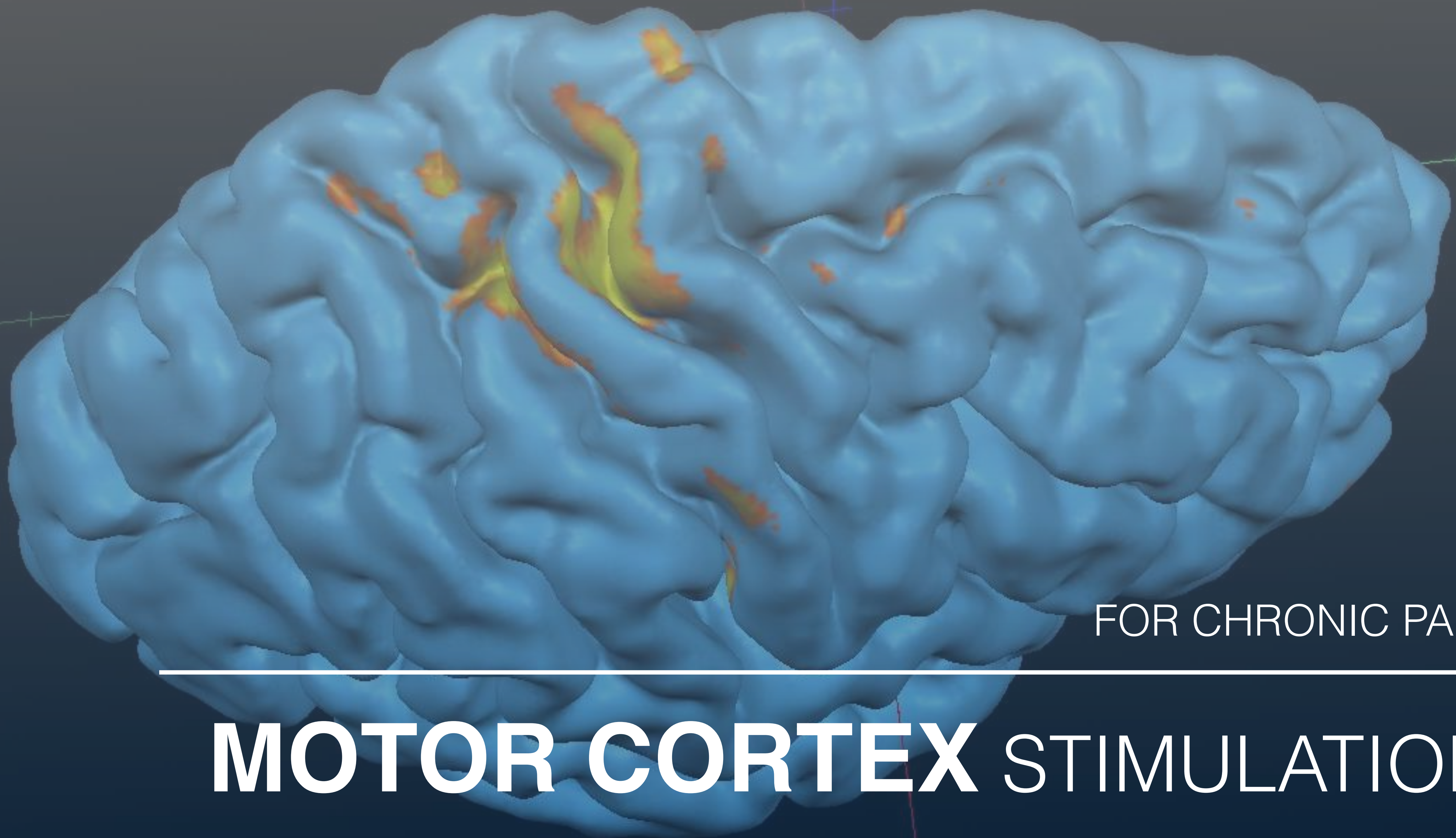


- Localizing precise targets using probabilistic tractography
- Stimulating portion of the **ANTERIOR CINGULATE CORTEX** that has strong connectivity to the **PRECUNEUS** results in **WORSE OUTCOME (2)**
- Stimulating portion of the **ANTERIOR CINGULATE CORTEX** that has strong connectivity to the **BRAINSTEM** and the **THALAMUS** results in **GOOD PAIN RELIEF (6)**

TECHNICAL ADVANCMENTS IN DBS



- Current steering with directional electrodes (Pollo et al Brain 2014)
- Dual stimulation in different target structures in the brain (Sims-Williams et al. 2013 Streatact Funct Neurosurger)
- New stimulation paradigms



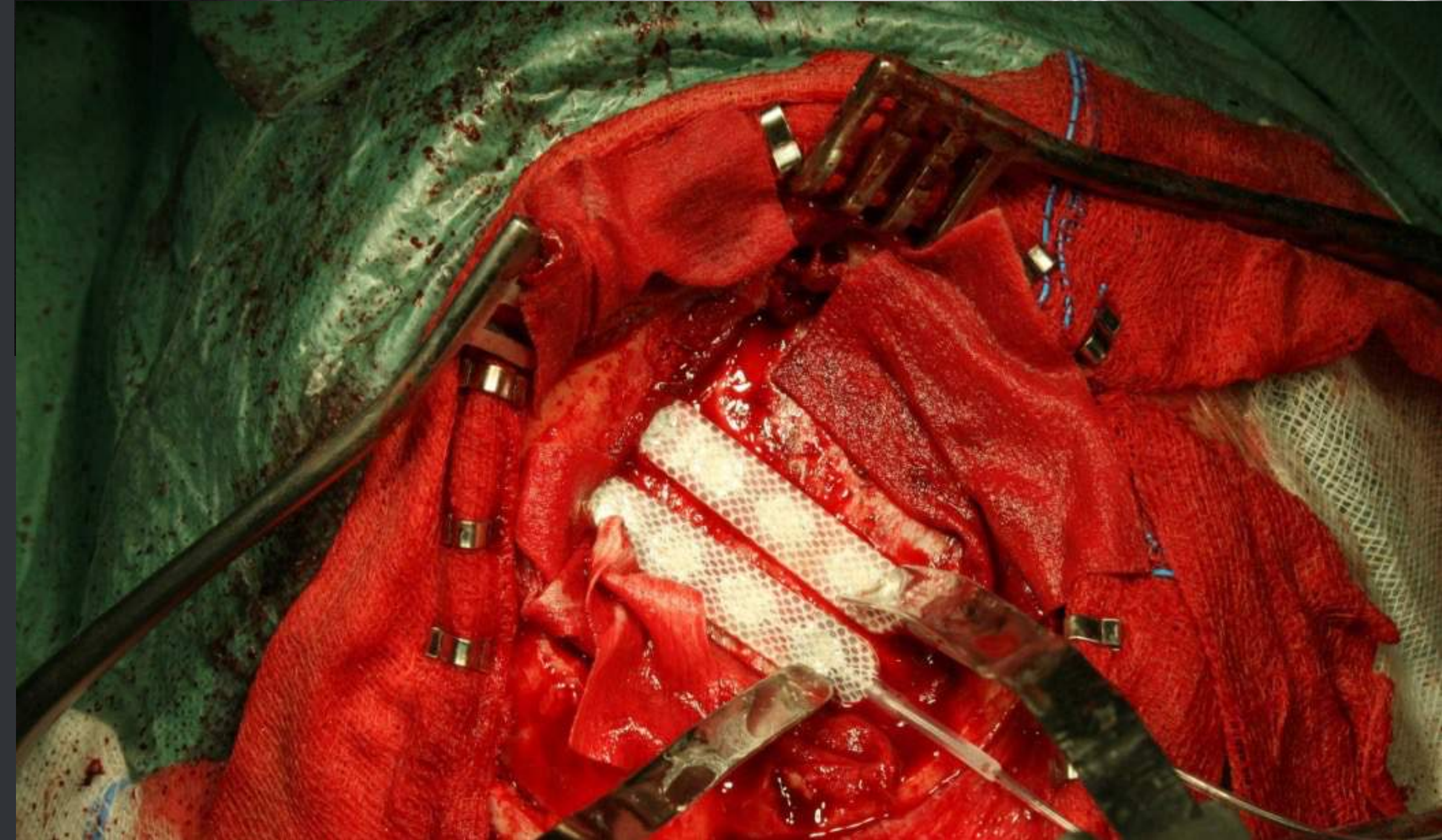
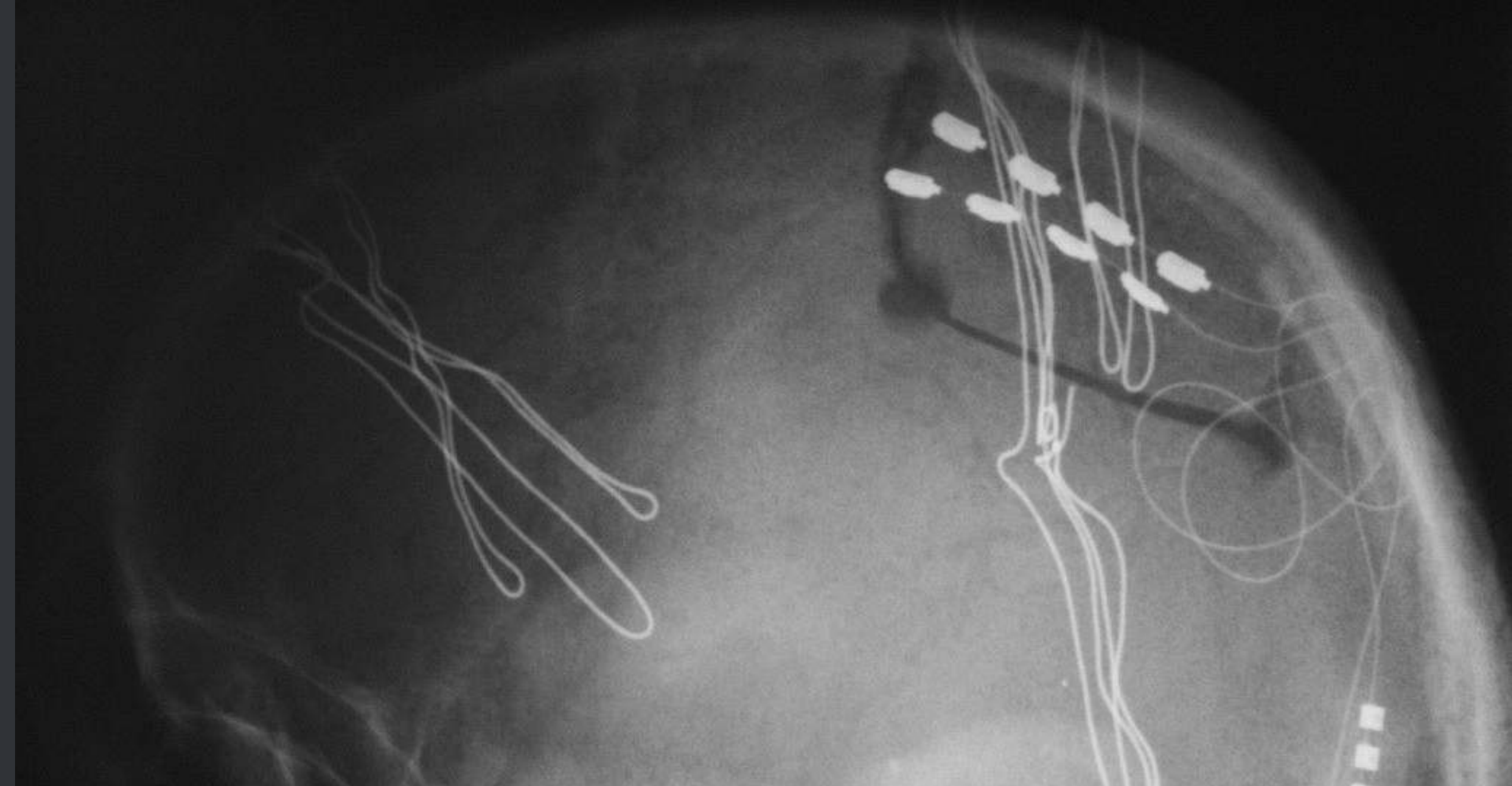
FOR CHRONIC PAIN

MOTOR CORTEX STIMULATION

PRIMARY MOTOR CORTEX STIMULATION

„PANACEA OR PLACEBO”

R.LEVY NEUROMODULATION 2014 JUNE



Tsubokawa 1991 central deafferentation pain

Meyerson 1993

N'Guyen 1997, developed the technique

Since 1991, 800 cases reported in the literature

No controlled double-blind studies

CONCEPT: „multicenter, prospective,
randomised, double blind, crossover clinical trial”
(12 European center, 104 patients, 2,5 years) failed

PRIMARY MOTOR CORTEX STIMULATION INDICATIONS

NEUROPATHIC PAIN

Central : 67% of published cases

Post stroke

Spinal cord injury

Others

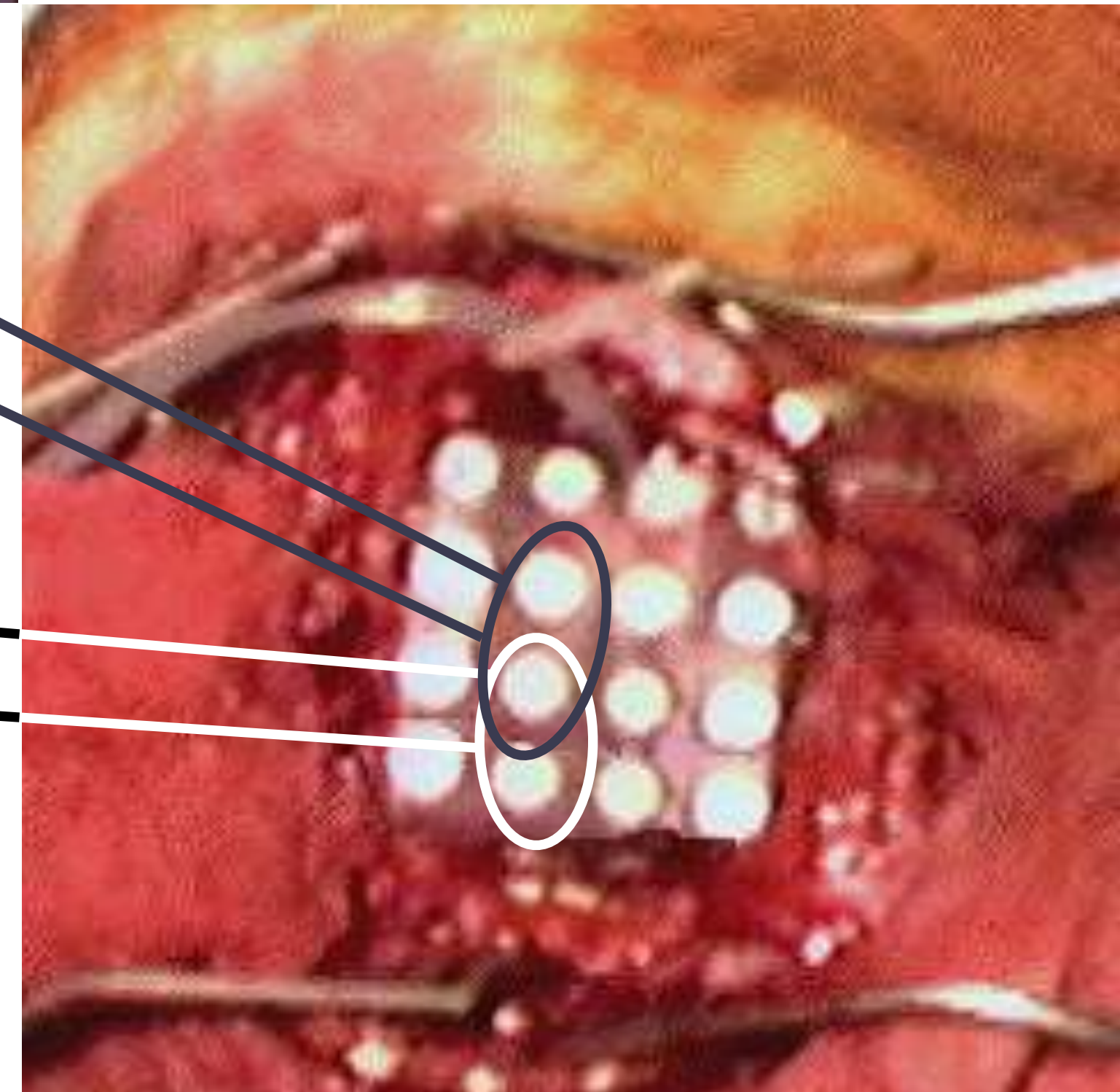
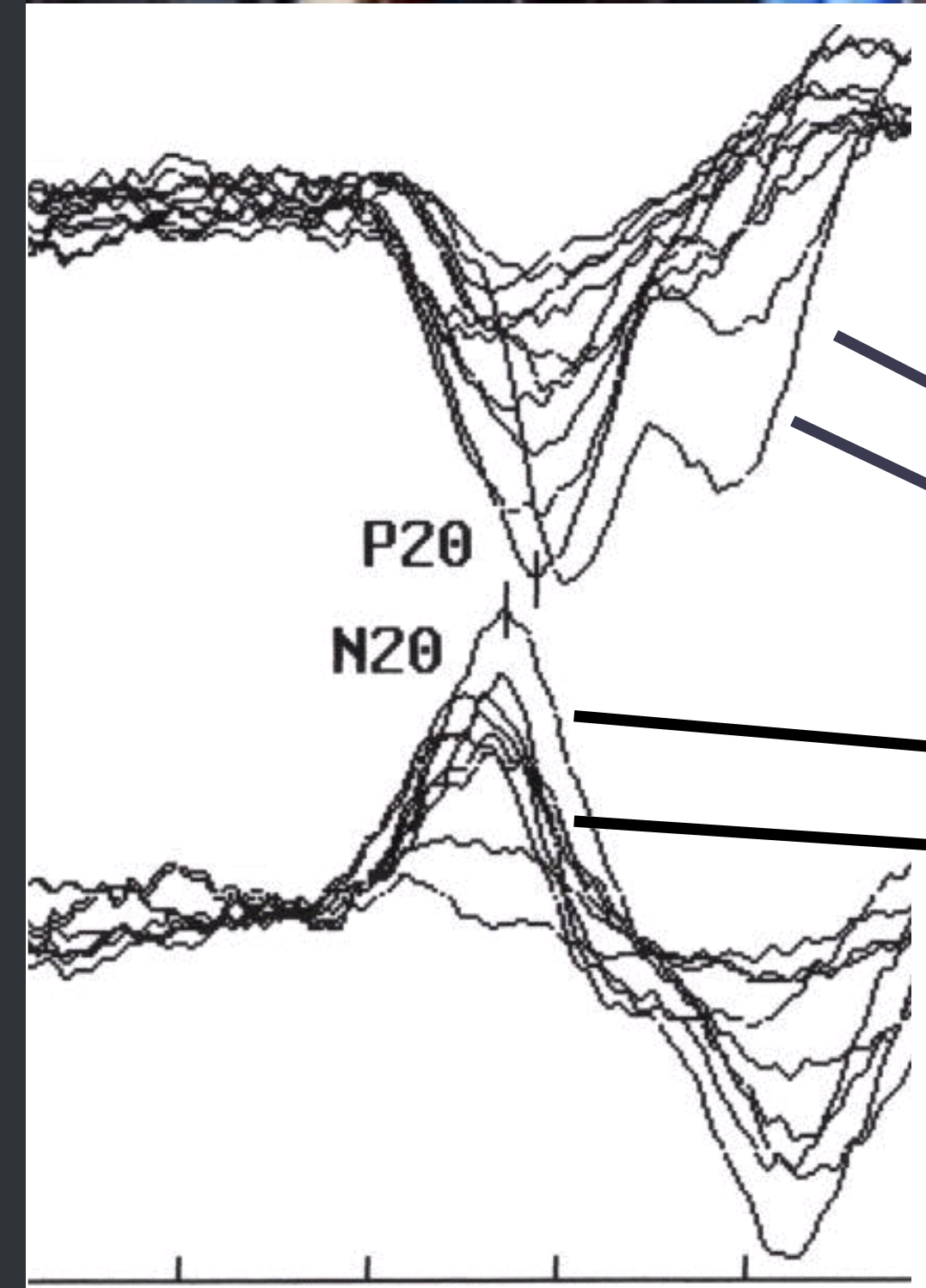
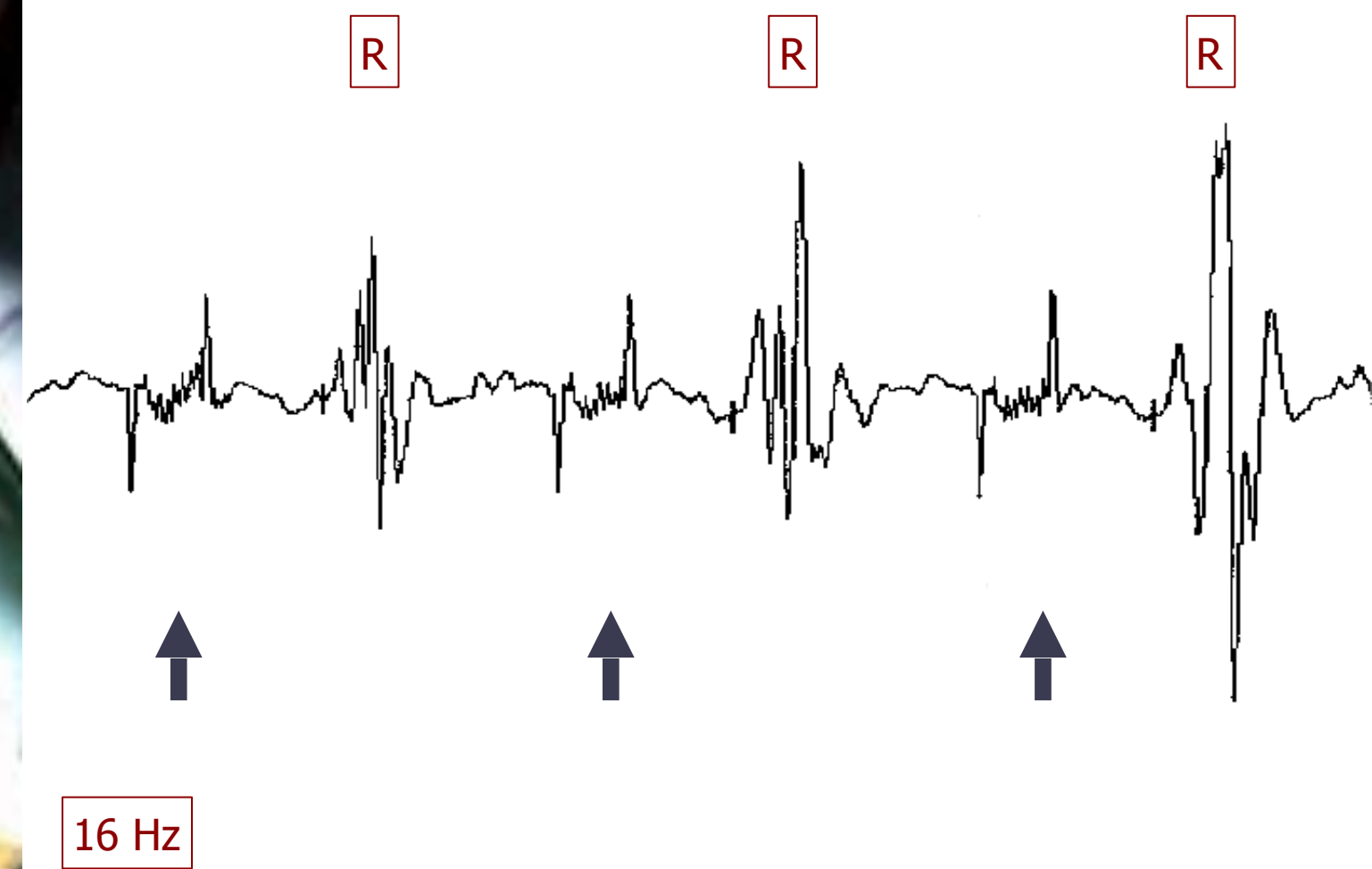
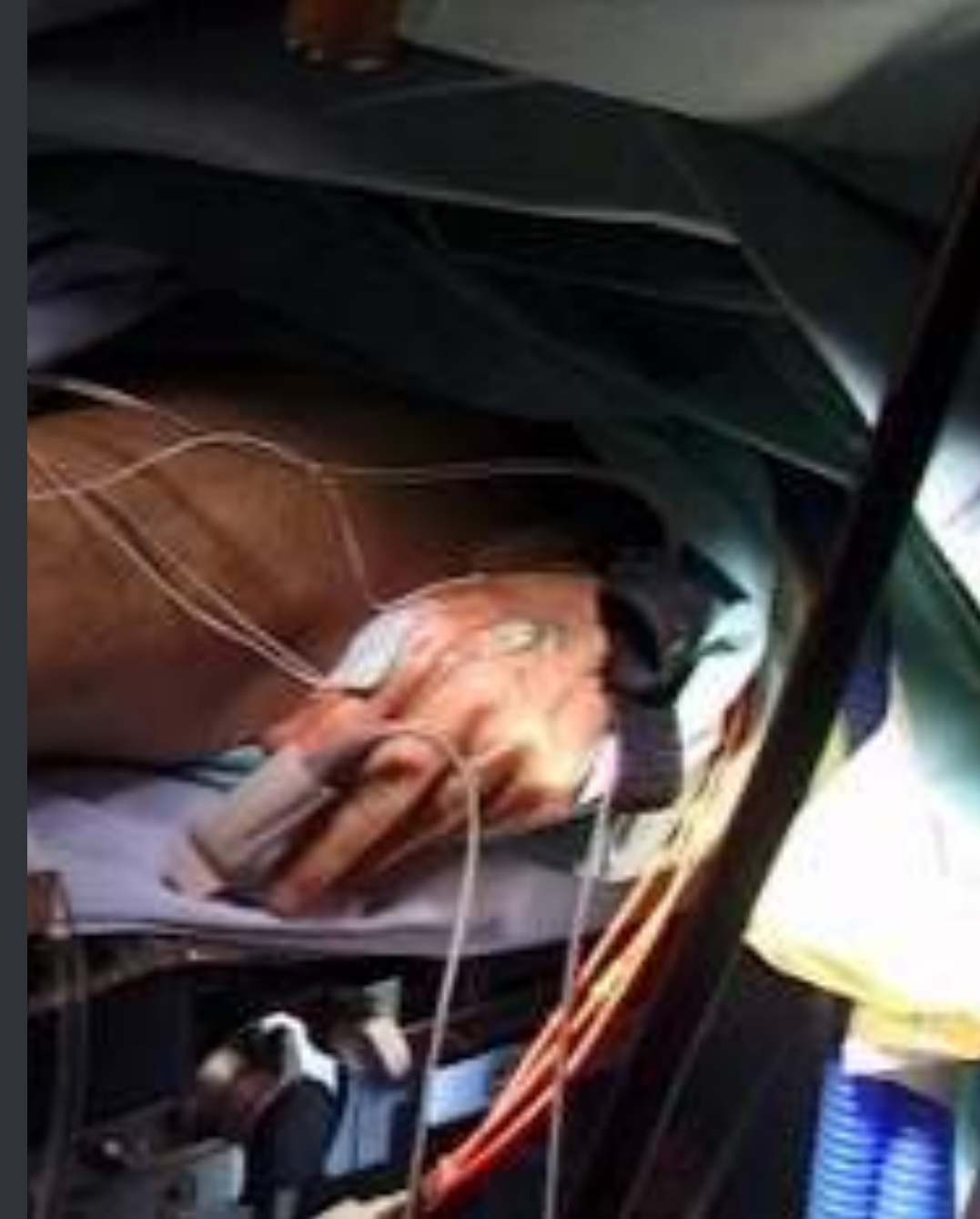
Peripheral : 31% of published cases

TGN / facial pain

Peripheral nerve injury

Plexus avulsion

Phantom pain



PRIMARY MOTOR CORTEX STIMULATION RESULTS



Results on VAS

fMRI + navigation

69,2% (2005)

Navigation

30,7%

Anatomy (burr hole)

12,5% (1991)

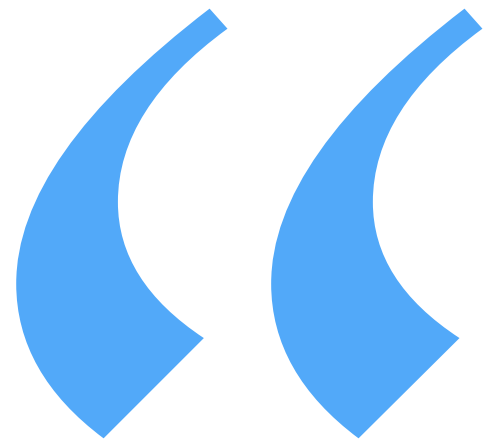
N'Guyen

	Year	Indication	EFNS level
Cruccu	2007	CRPS, neuropathic facial pain	III, IV
Levy	2015	Thalamus pain, neuropathic facial pain	IV

PAIN RELIEF >40% IN VAS SCORE

- Central pain 80%
- Trigeminal neuropathic pain 75,7%
- Paraplegic pain 55,5%
- Brachial plexus avulsion 34% (literature 44%)
- Phantom limb pain 53%

N'Guyen (2005)



Is MCS a placebo or a panacea? It is likely neither. The literature suggests that MCS holds promise for patients with trigeminal neuropathic pain, poststroke pain, and pain that has failed to respond to others therapies.
At the present time, it is unlikely that we can make any definitive conclusions as to the efficacy of MCS for chronic neuropathic pain.

R.Levy Neuromodulation 2014 June

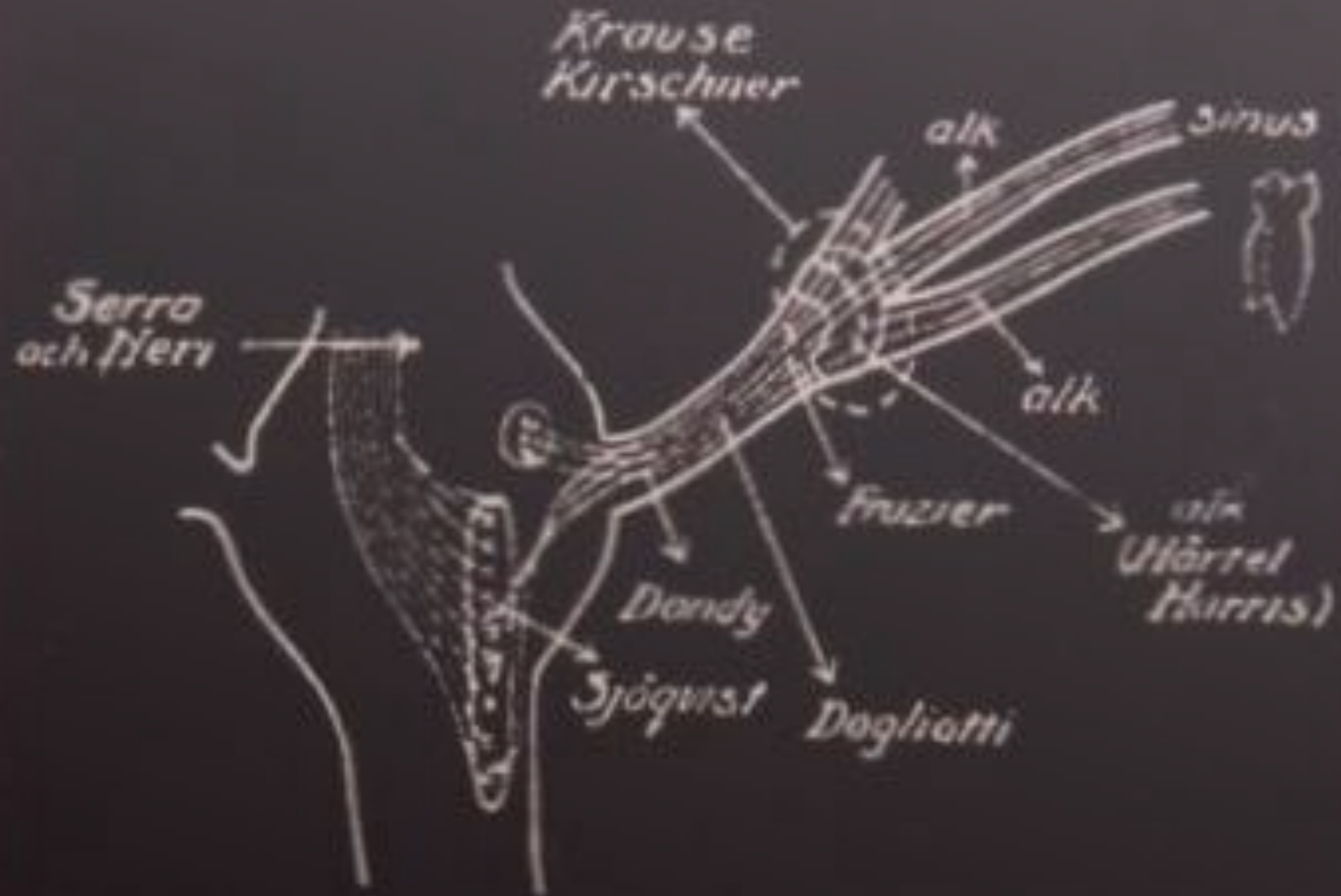


TREATMENT OPTIONS

TRIGEMINAL NEURALGIA



NEUROSURGICAL TREATMENT OF TRIGEMINAL NEURALGIA



OLOF SJÖQUIST: TRIGEMINAL NEURALGIA. A REVIEW OF ITS SURGICAL TREATMENT AND SOME ASPECTS OF ITS ETIOLOGY.

Acta chir.Scand 1938;82:201-217

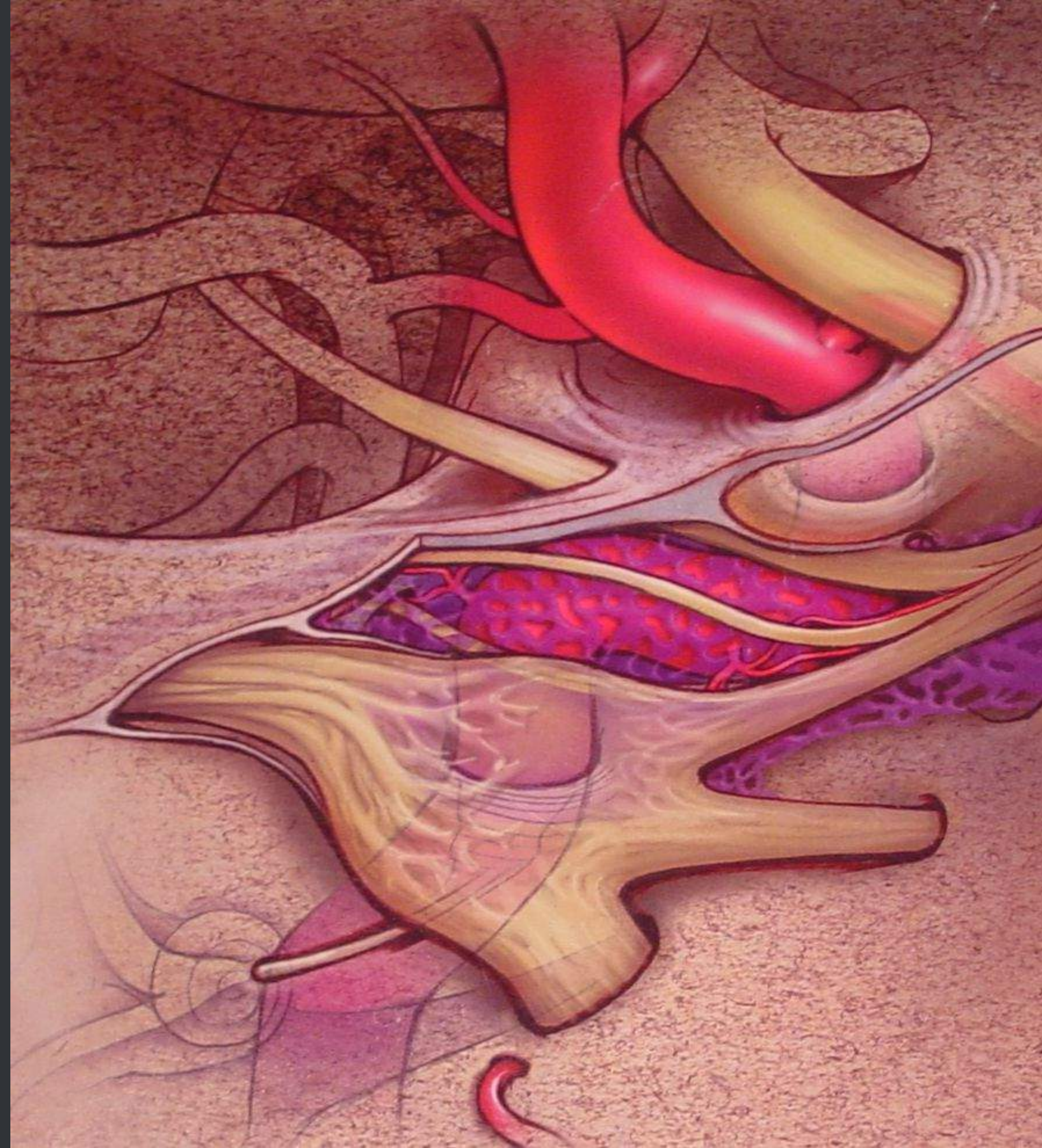
PERCUTANEOUS TECHNIQUES FOR TRIGEMINAL NEURALGIA

Thermocontrolled radiofrequency lesioning
(since 1950's)


Pulse radiofrequency (Slujter 1996)

Glycerol rhizotomy (Hakanson 1981)

Balloon compression (Mullan 1983)




PERCUTANEOUS TECHNIQUES FOR TRIGEMINAL NEURALGIA



Avoid the risk of craniotomy
Repeated easily
Much less expensive than microvascular
decompression or radiosurgery

PERCUTANEOUS TECHNIQUES FOR TRIGEMINAL NEURALGIA



COMPARSION OF TECHNIQUES

	RF	Glycerol	Baloon
Techn.success	97,4-100%	94%	93-99%
Initial pain relief	98%	72-96%	89,9-100%
Recurrence	15-20%(5y-10y)	54% (4y)	25-77,4%(3y)
Facial numbness	98%-3mo 10%perm.	60%	61-72%
Motor deficit	24%	1,7%	19-66%
Corneal reflex:0	7%	3,7%	1,5%
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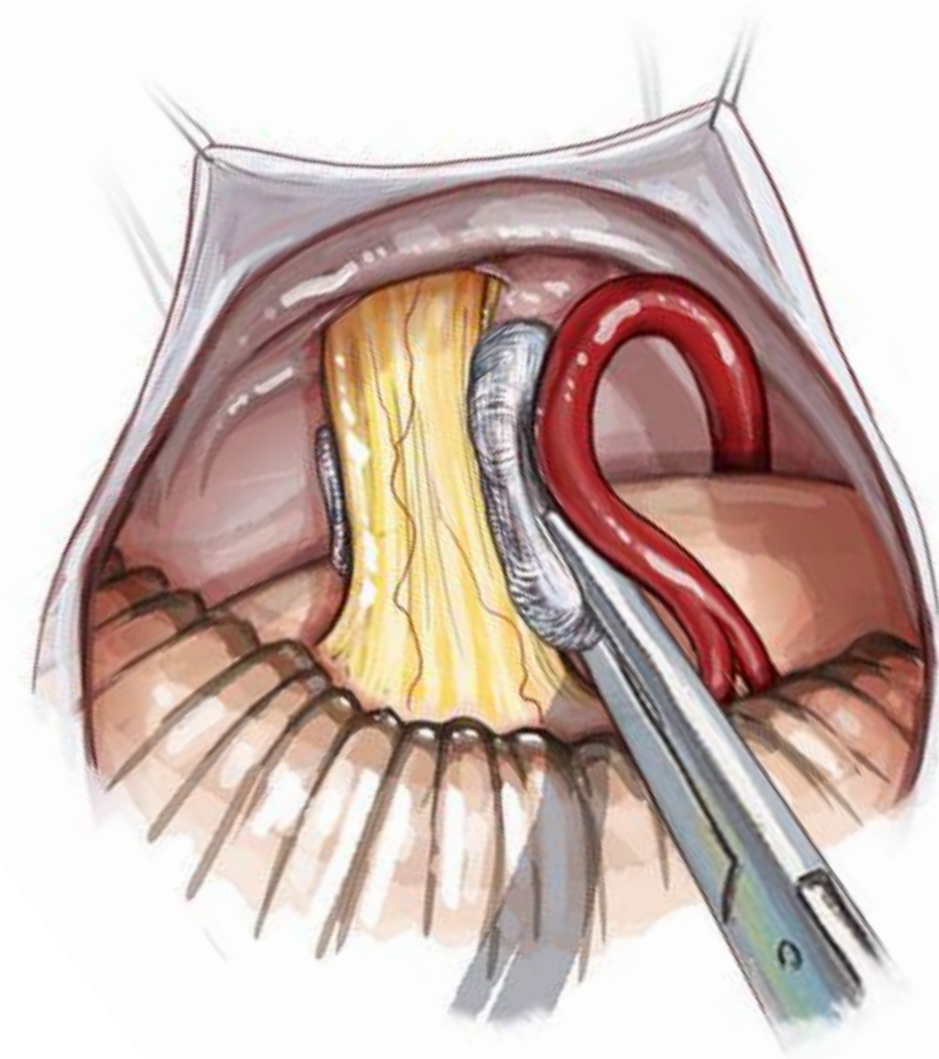
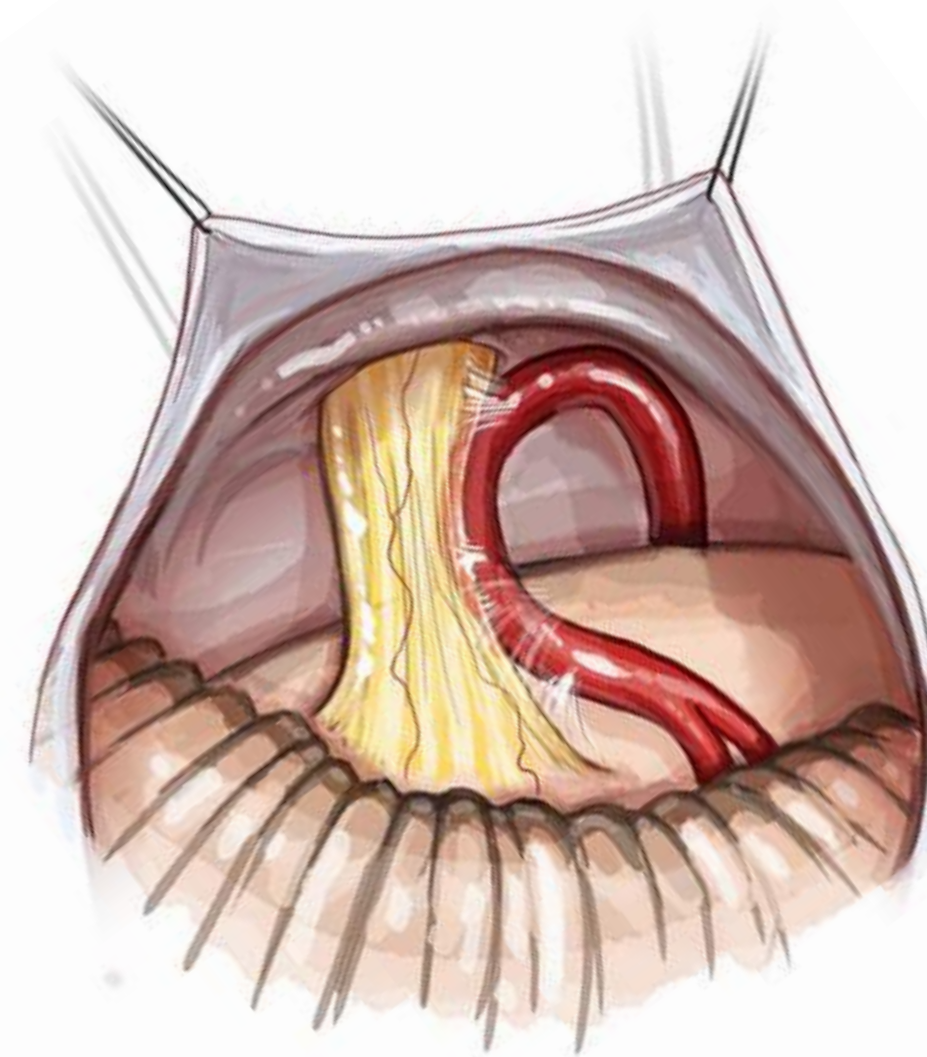
An intraoperative photograph showing a surgical approach for microvascular decompression. The image displays the surgical field through a craniotomy, with various anatomical structures and surgical instruments visible. The focus is on the area where the trigeminal nerve is being decompressed from a compressing blood vessel.

FOR TRIGEMINAL NEURALGIA

MICROVASCULAR DECOMPRESSION

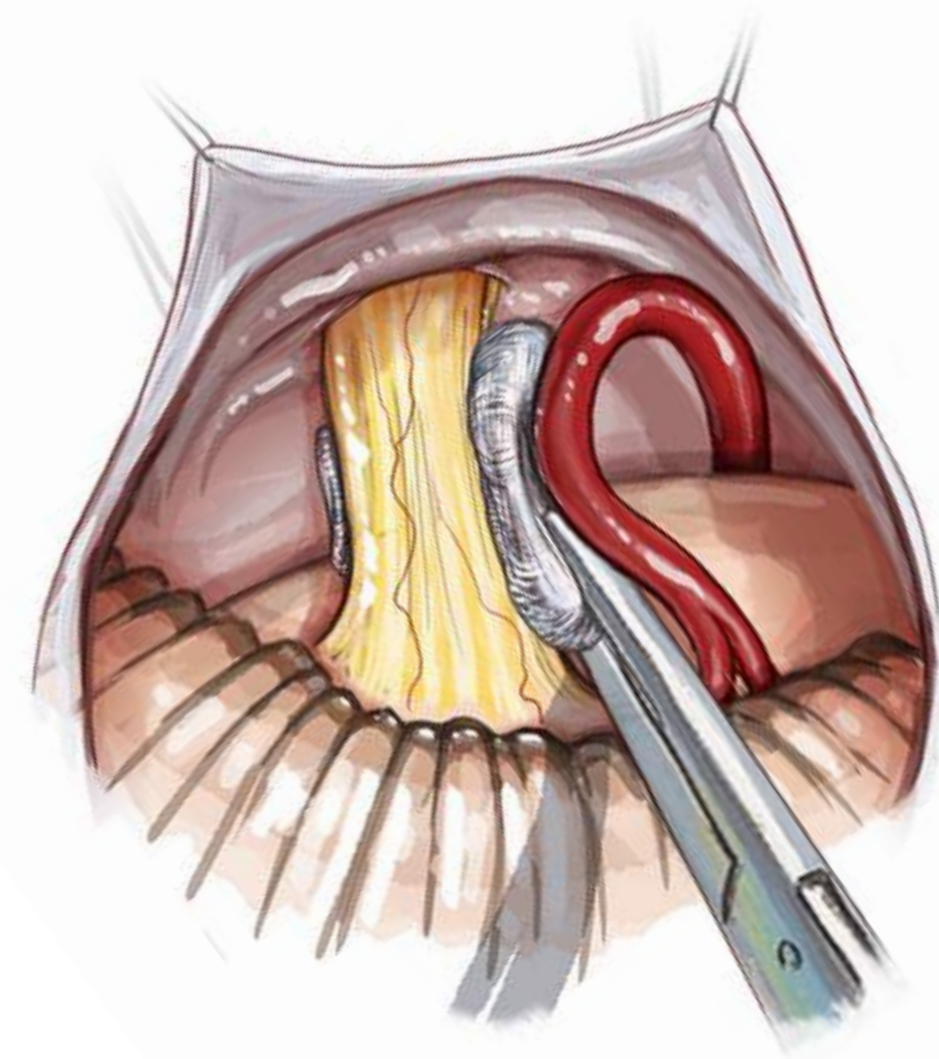
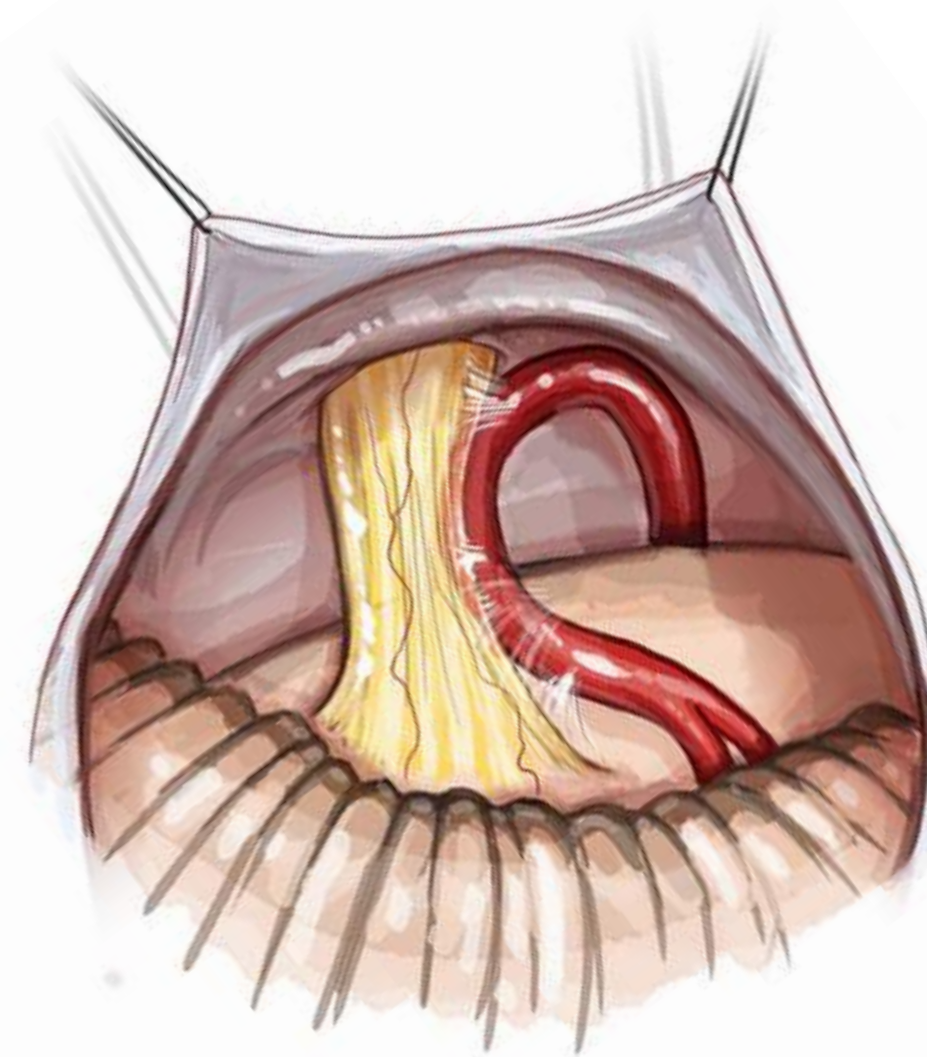


**ADVANTAGE
OF MICROVASCULAR
DECOMPRESSION FOR
TRIGEMINAL NEURALGIA**



- Treat primary cause
- Trigeminal nerve is preserved
- Postoperative pain relief does not require production of sensory deficit
- Long term outcome is highest

**ADVANTAGE
OF MICROVASCULAR
DECOMPRESSION FOR
TRIGEMINAL NEURALGIA**



- SCA 75,5%
- Venous contact 68,2%
- Only venous compression 12,5%

MICROVASCULAR DECOMPRESSION SUCCESS RATE



- Jannetta total success rate 88% at 1y, 74% at 10y
- reoperated 11%, 96% of reoperated patients had > 75% pain relief (89% at 10y)
- Annual recurrence 2% at 5y, <1% at 10y
- Factors for long-term recurrence: gender, preop.symptoms more than 8 years, venous compression, failure of immediate pain relief
- Sindou (2006): 100% recurrence rate within 4y if intraoperative neurovascular compression missing

GAMMA-KNIFE FOR TRIGEMINAL NEURALGIA

First irradiation by Leksell in 1951 (ganglion)
since than more than 20 000 patients were
treated

Since 1993, target: more proximal part of nerve
V., near the brainstem

75% pain free with/without medication within
1-8 weeks of the initial treatment

10% recurrence within the 1st year, 60% pain
free long-term

Complication: facial sensory loss 0-10%

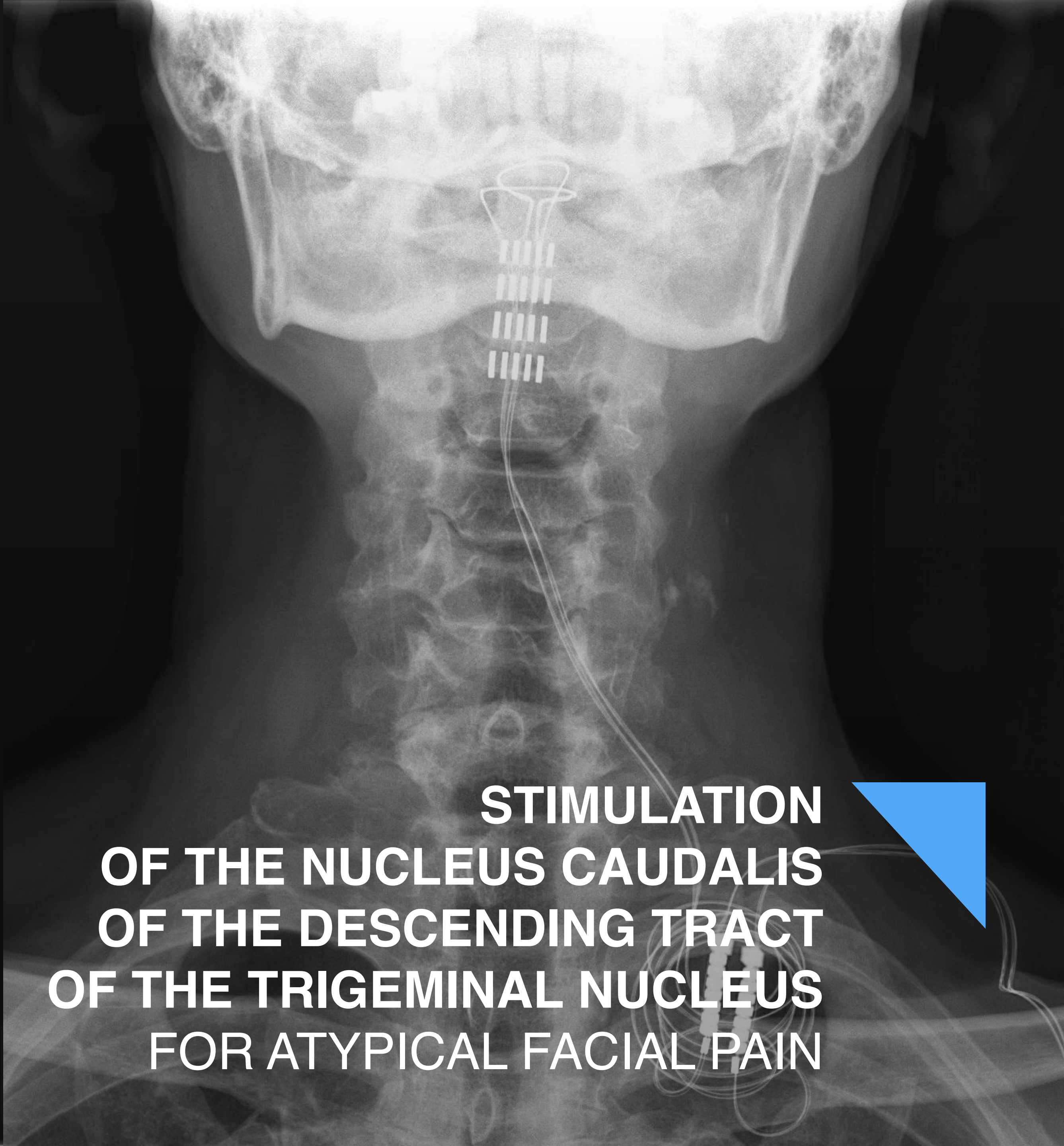
No anaesthesia dolorosa, no SCF leak



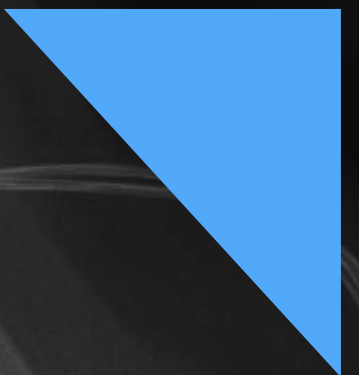
GASSERIAN GANGLION STIMULATION

- Shelden 1967, Meyerson 1980: subtemporal, epidural, percutan cervical, trans foramen magnum electrode implantation
- Hartel technique – foramen ovale
- Not for tic douloureux
- Indication: trigeminal neuropathic pain
- Test period of 7-20 days mandatory
- Steude 200 test, 100 implantation(1998)
 - 86% good results for maxillary or orthodontic surgery
 - 92% good result in posttarumaticfacial pain
 - 100% good result in chronic pain after ablative trigeminal procedures





**STIMULATION
OF THE NUCLEUS CAUDALIS
OF THE DESCENDING TRACT
OF THE TRIGEMINAL NUCLEUS
FOR ATYPICAL FACIAL PAIN**

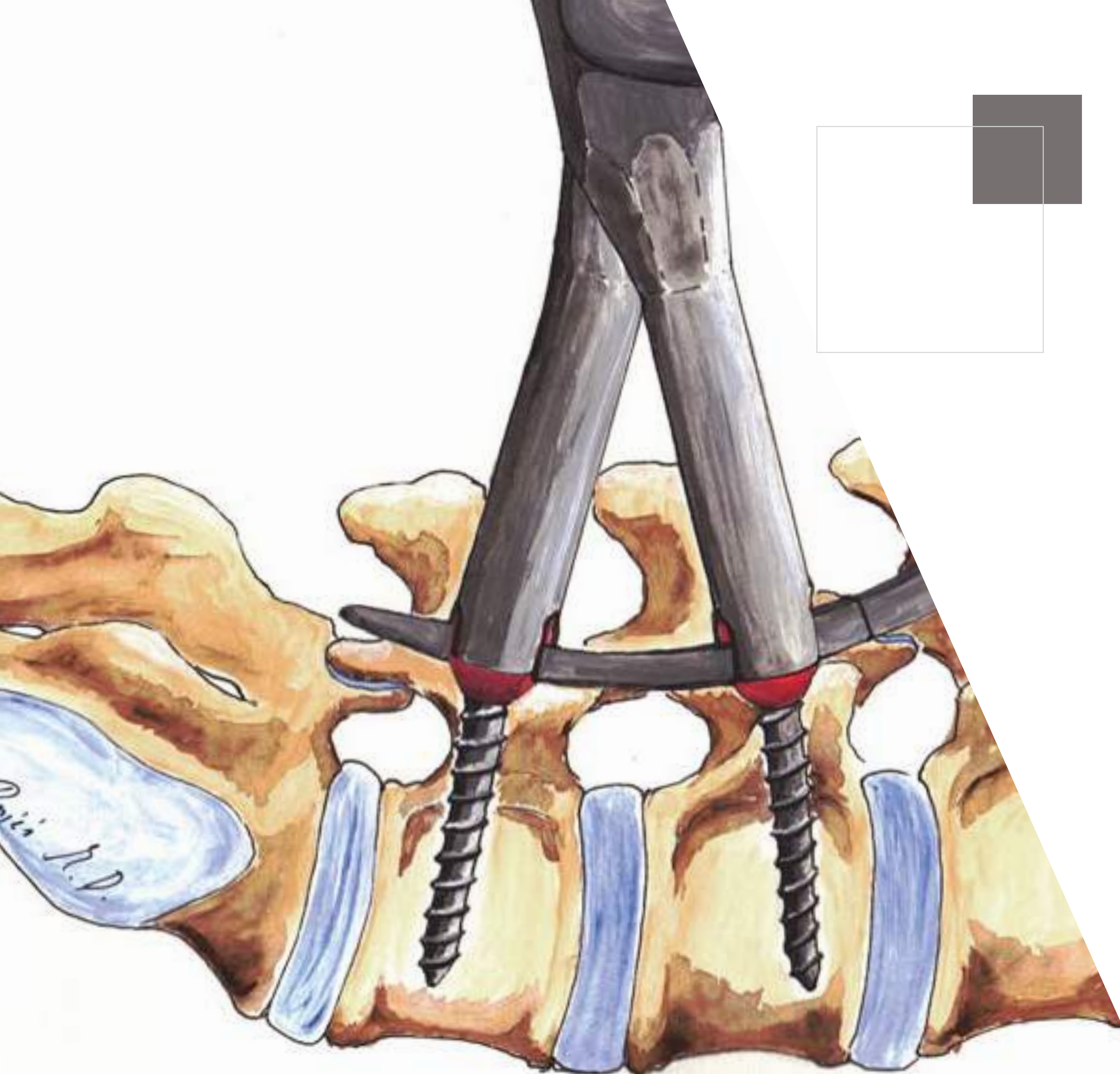




SPINAL CORD STIMULATION

INDICATIONS FOR SCS

- NEUROPATHIC PAIN
 - failed back surgery syndrome
 - chronic regional pain syndrome
 - radiculopathy
 - diabetic neuropathy
 - postherpetic neuralgia
- PERIPHERAL NERVE INJURY
- ISCHEMIC PAIN (REFRACTORY ANGINA)
- DEAFFERENTATION PAIN
 - phantom limb
 - spinal cord injury



SUCCESS RATES IN SPINAL SURGERY

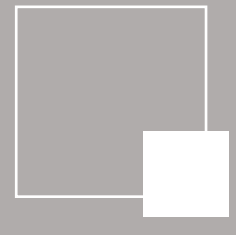
98% success rate for fusion

Pain relief

- one level fusion 40-80%
- three level fusion 15%

95-98% success rate for microdiscectomy
return to work without medication is 74%

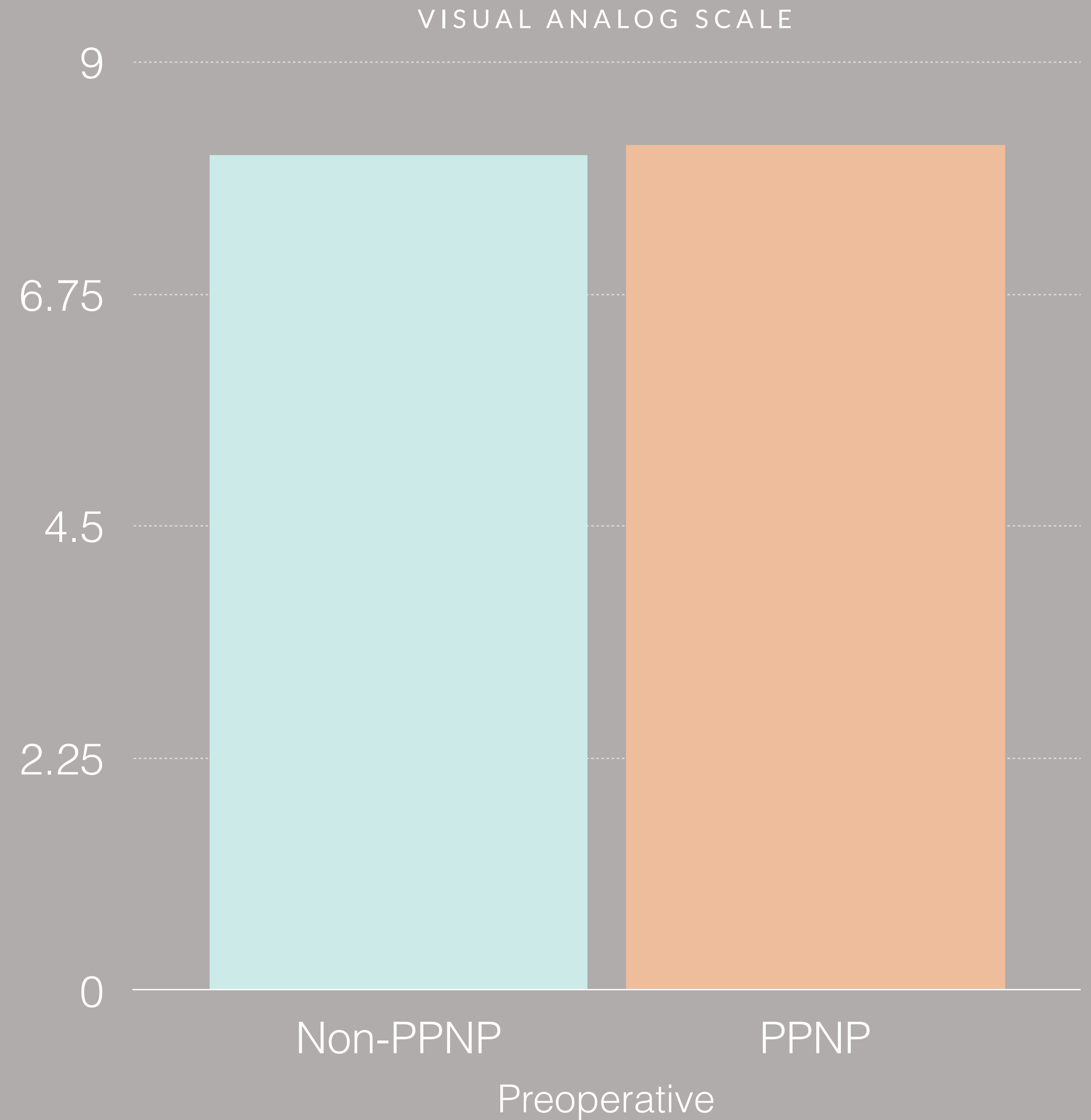
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NEUROPATHIC PAIN

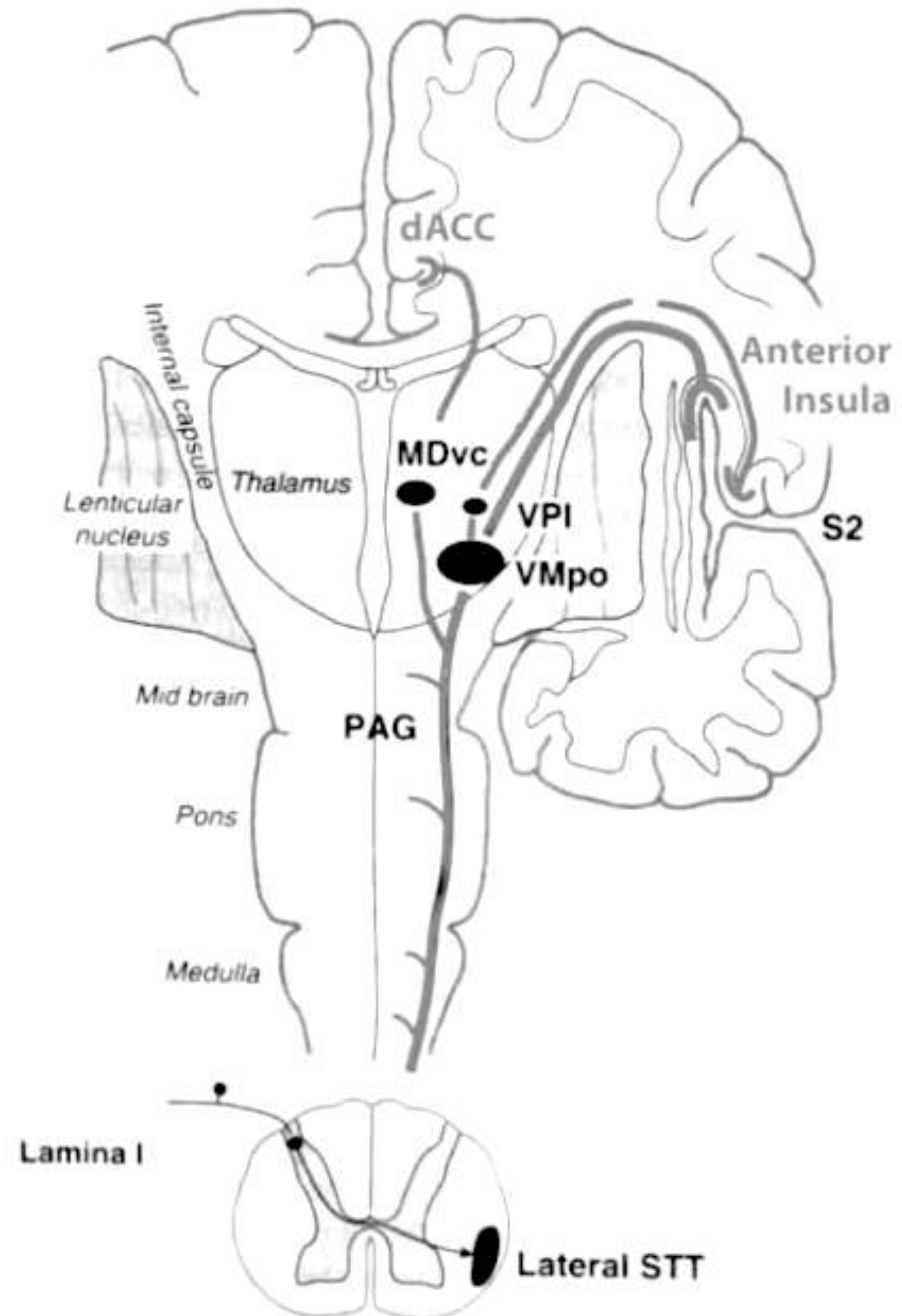
NEUROPATHIC PAIN RETURNED AFTER 6 MONTHS IN THOSE CASES IF IT WAS ALREADY PRESENT BEFORE SURGERY

PPNP - PERSISTING POSTOPERATIVE NEUROPATHIC PAIN



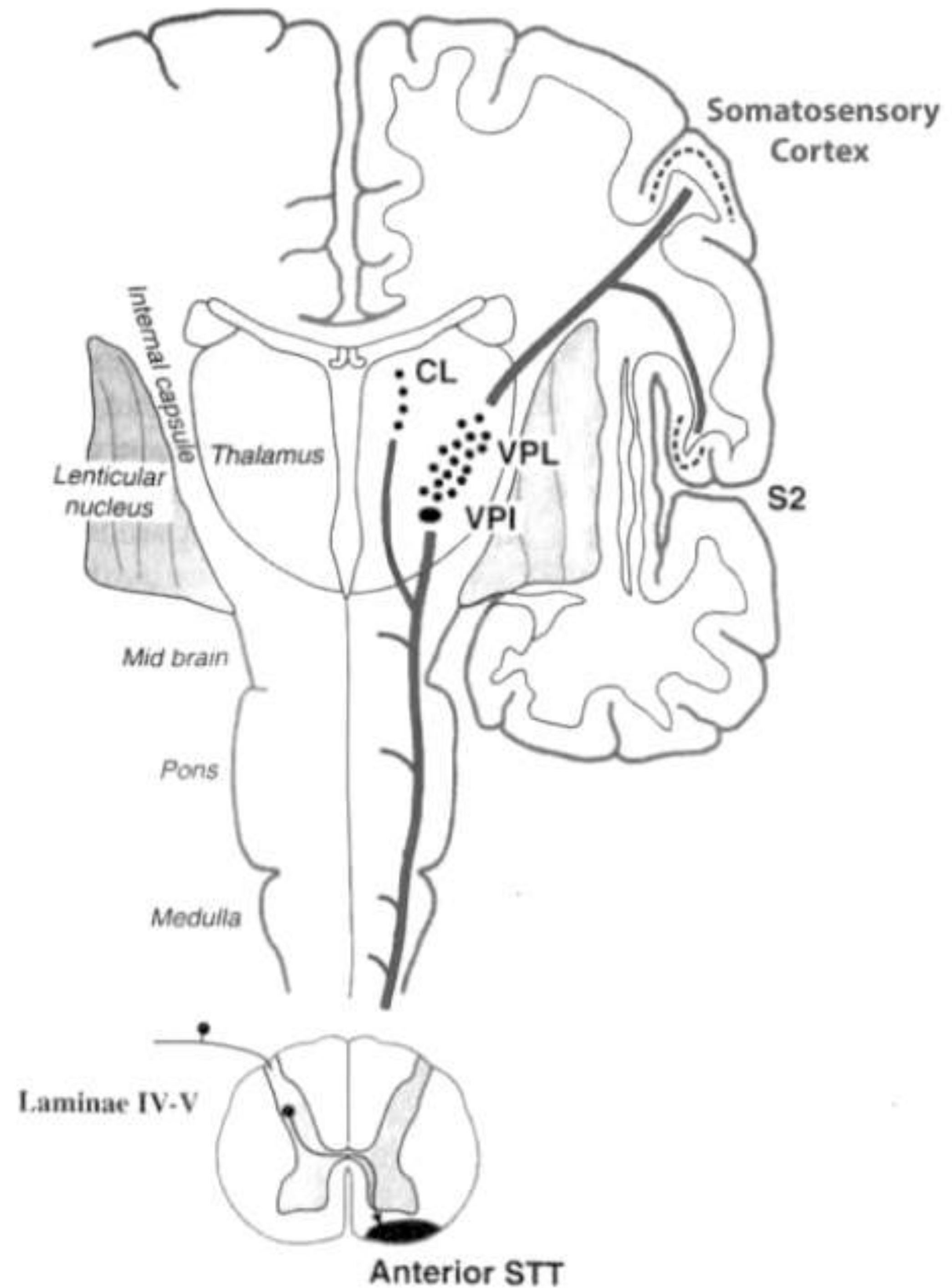
Lateral system

- Activated by C-, A δ , A β fibers
- Thalamus VPL
- Somatosensory cortex
- **Sensory component of the pain**



Medial system

- Activated by C-fibers
- Thalamus MD, VPL
- Anterior cingulate cortex and anterior insular cortex
- **emotional component of the pain**



Descending pathway

- From the anterior cingulate cortex
- To the periaqueductal grey
- And the somatosensory peripheral network
- **Modulates the ascending pain signals**

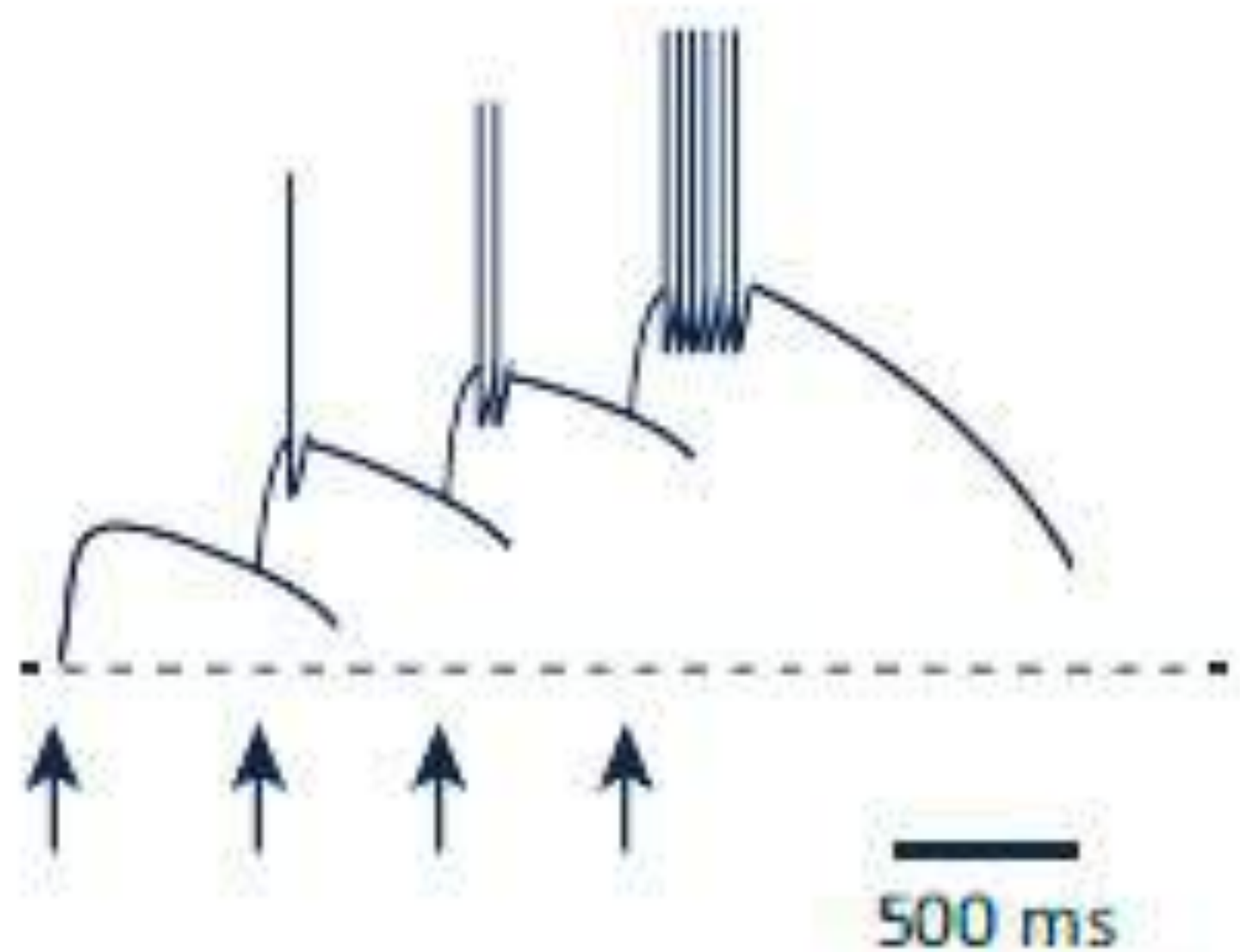


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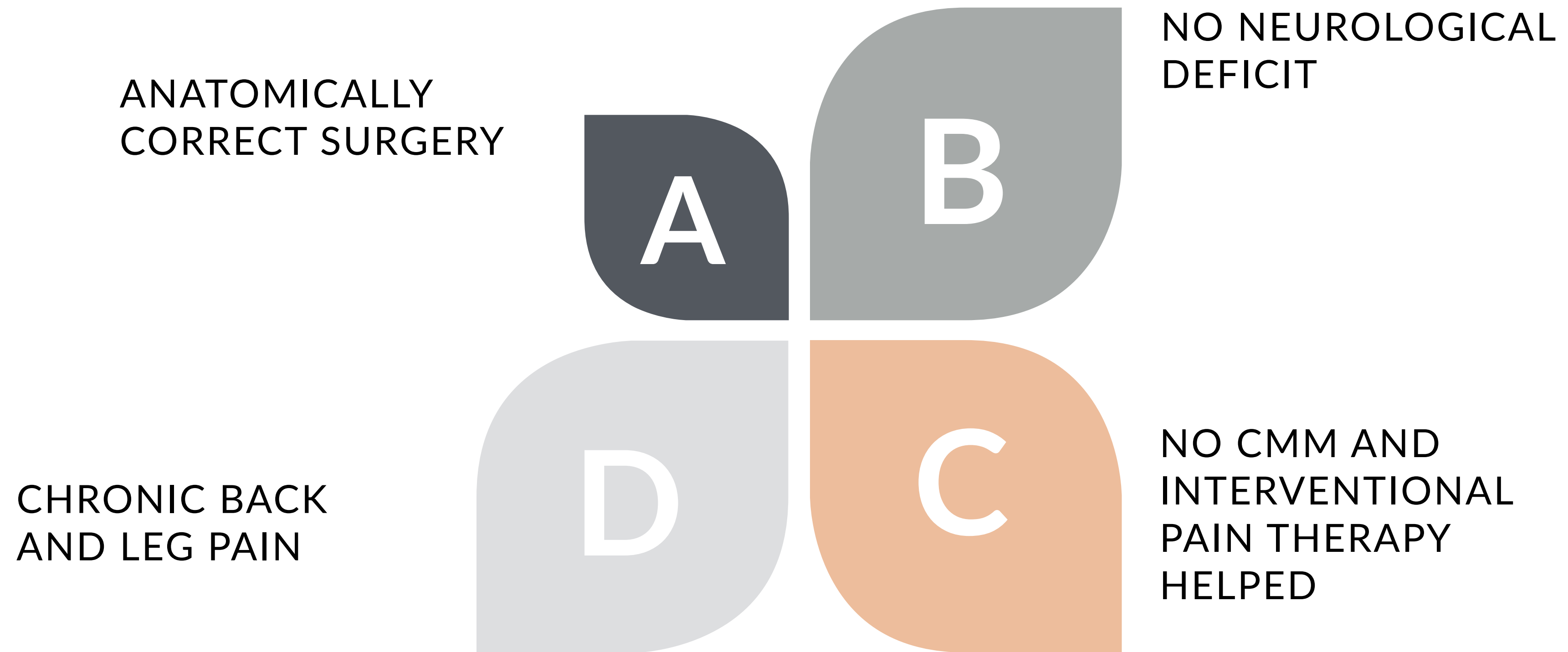
- **SPONTANEOUS BURST ACTIVATION OF C-FIBERS**

- Wind up, gets more unpleasant

(ii) Wind-up



WHEN TO GO FOR SCS

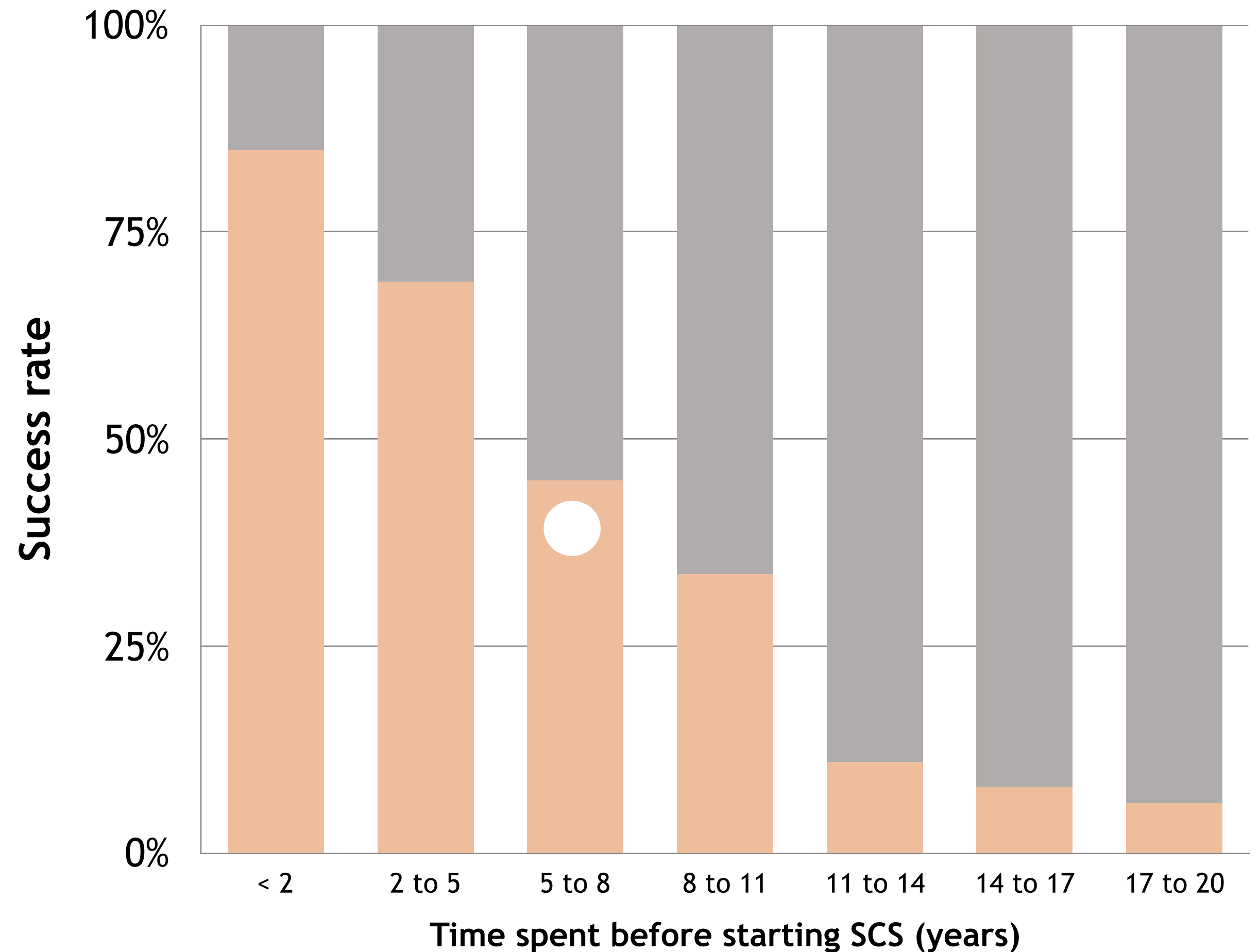


WHEN SHOULD I CHOOSE SCS THERAPY FOR MY PATIENT?

AN AVERAGE OF **5,4 YEARS** IS SPENT BEFORE ADVISING SCS THERAPY

SUCCESS RATE IS **45%** IN THESE CASES

IN CASE OF 2 YEARS THE SUCCESS RATE IS **85%**



Medtronic data on File (French SCS registry)

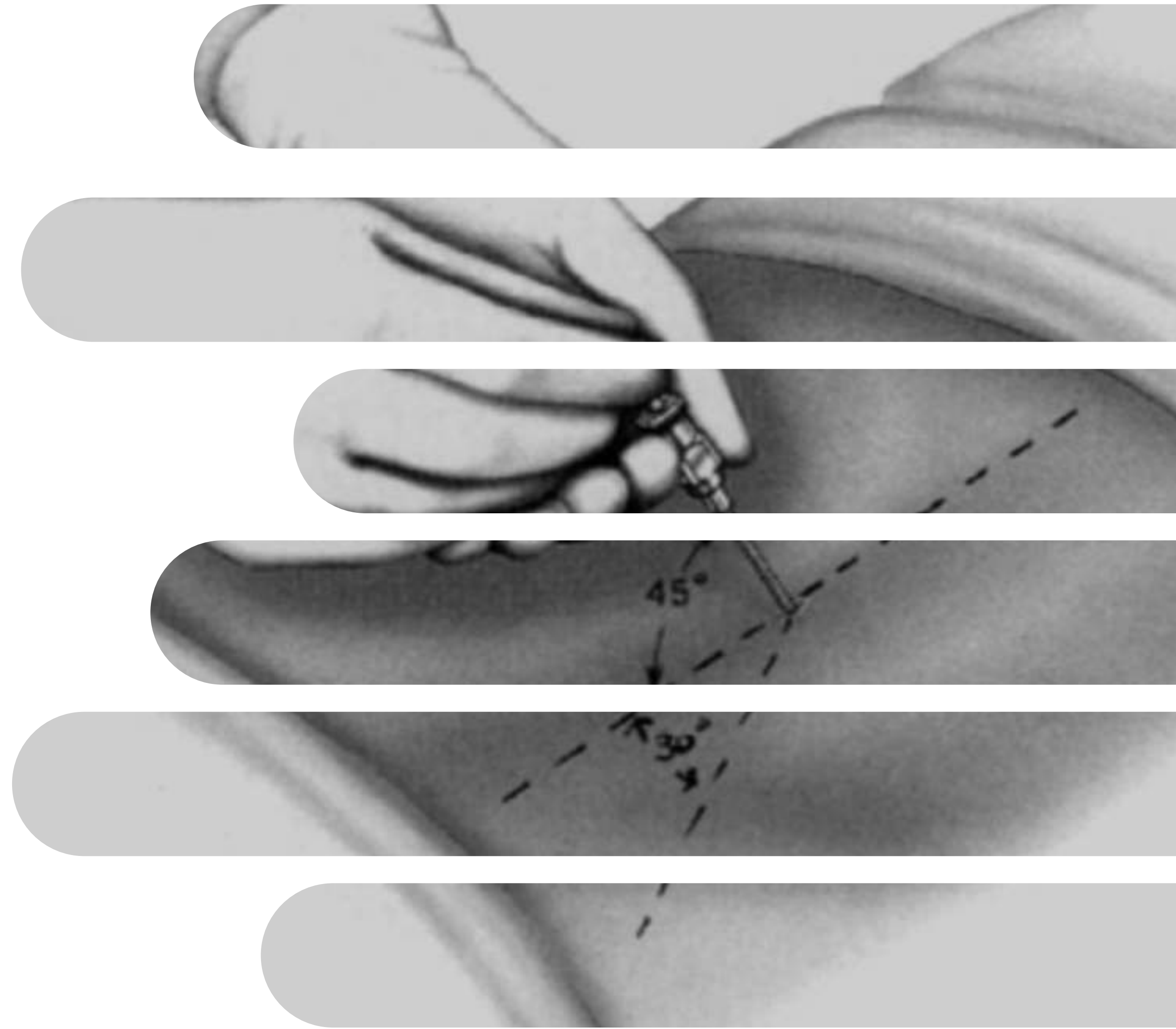
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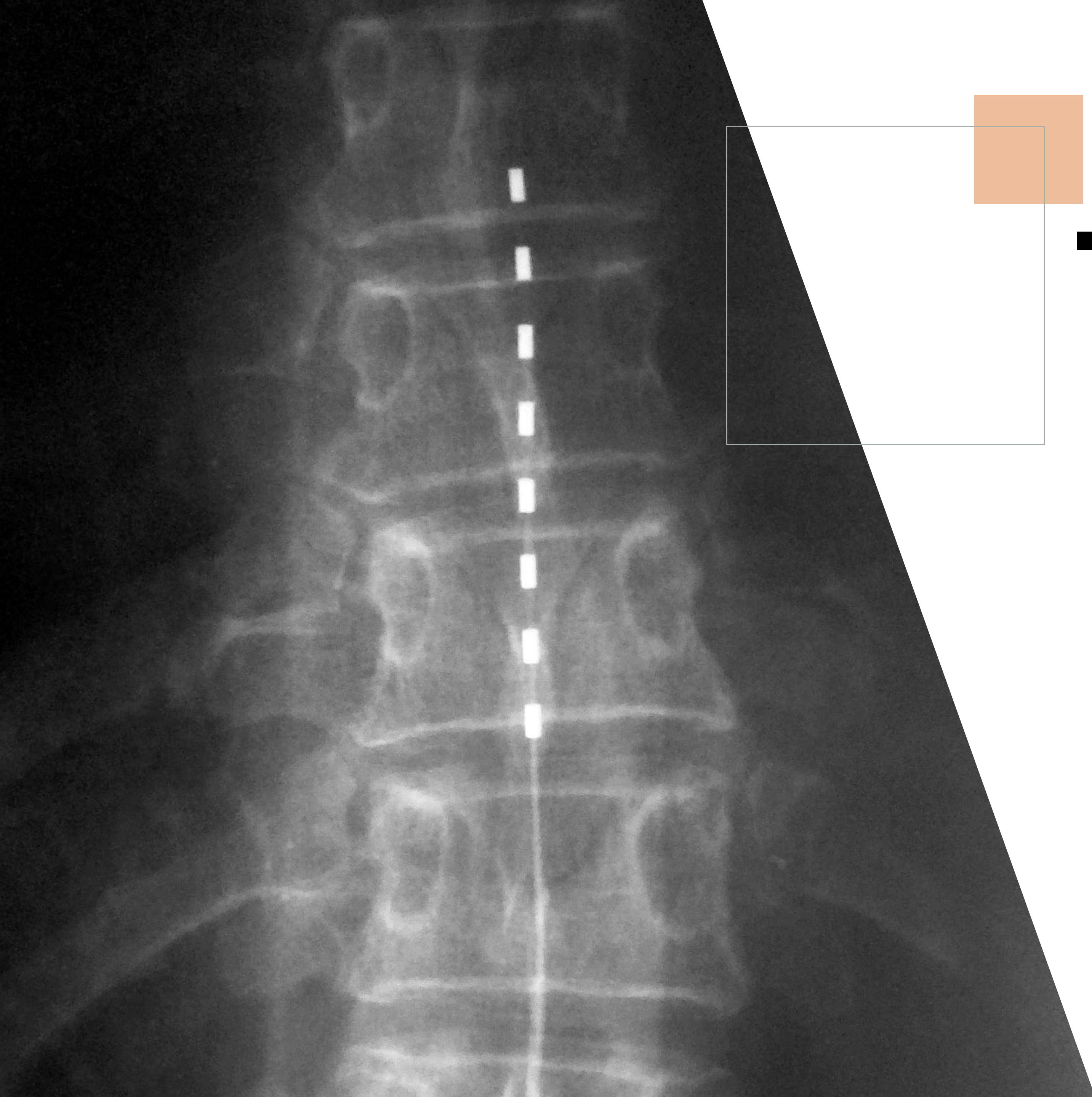
EVIDENCES OF SCS AND PNS IN PAIN CONDITIONS



2 A+	2 B+	2 C+	0
Failed Back Surgery Syndrome (SCS)	CRPS (SCS)	Postherpetic neuralgia (PNS)	Cervical radicular pain (SCS)
	Chronic refractory angina (SCS)	Diabetic polyneuropathy (SCS)	Meralgia paraesthetica (PNS)
		Chronic pancreatitis (SCS)	Phantom pain (SCS)
			Traumatic plexus injury (SCS)
			Trigeminal neuralgia (PNS)

TECHNIQUE





▪ PERCUTANEOUS ELECTRODE

Focused stimulation, but not directed

Cylindric lead design

Mostly in non-complicated leg pain

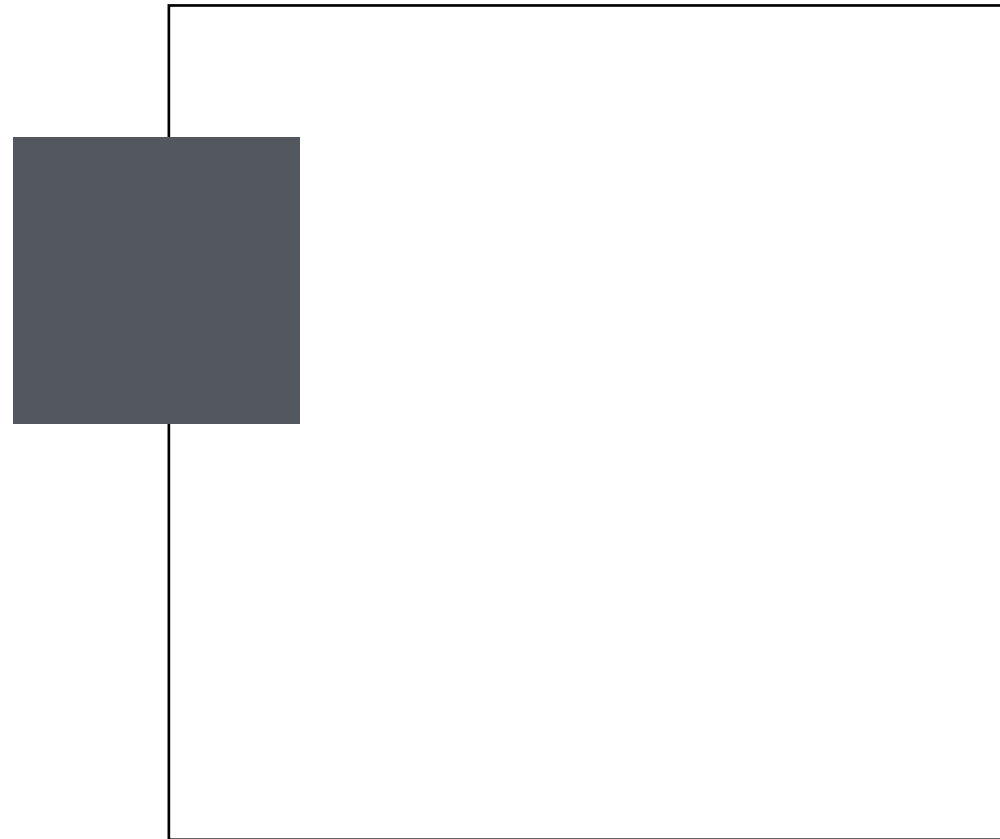
Can be used in isolated low back pain

Position dependent stimulation

Awake surgery, with the aid of the patient



INTRAOPERATIVE POSITIONING



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ENTRY

PARAMEDIAN
45 degrees





ALWAYS USE FLUOROSCOPY

The insertion of the needle and the lead in AP view

Check the position of the lead in Lateral view.

Navigation is the imaging technique of the future(EM, real time navigation)

NOVEL OPTIONS



THE PROBLEM

Large number of case reports,
but only few systematic RCTs available

HIGH FREQUENCY

Mean VAS decreased 67% using HF vs. 44% with TONIC
171 patients (90 HF), followed for 12 months

Kapural, Anaesthesiology, 2015

BURST

Back pain was suppressed 29% better
Limb pain 31% better when compared with tonic

De Ridder, Clin J Pain, 2015

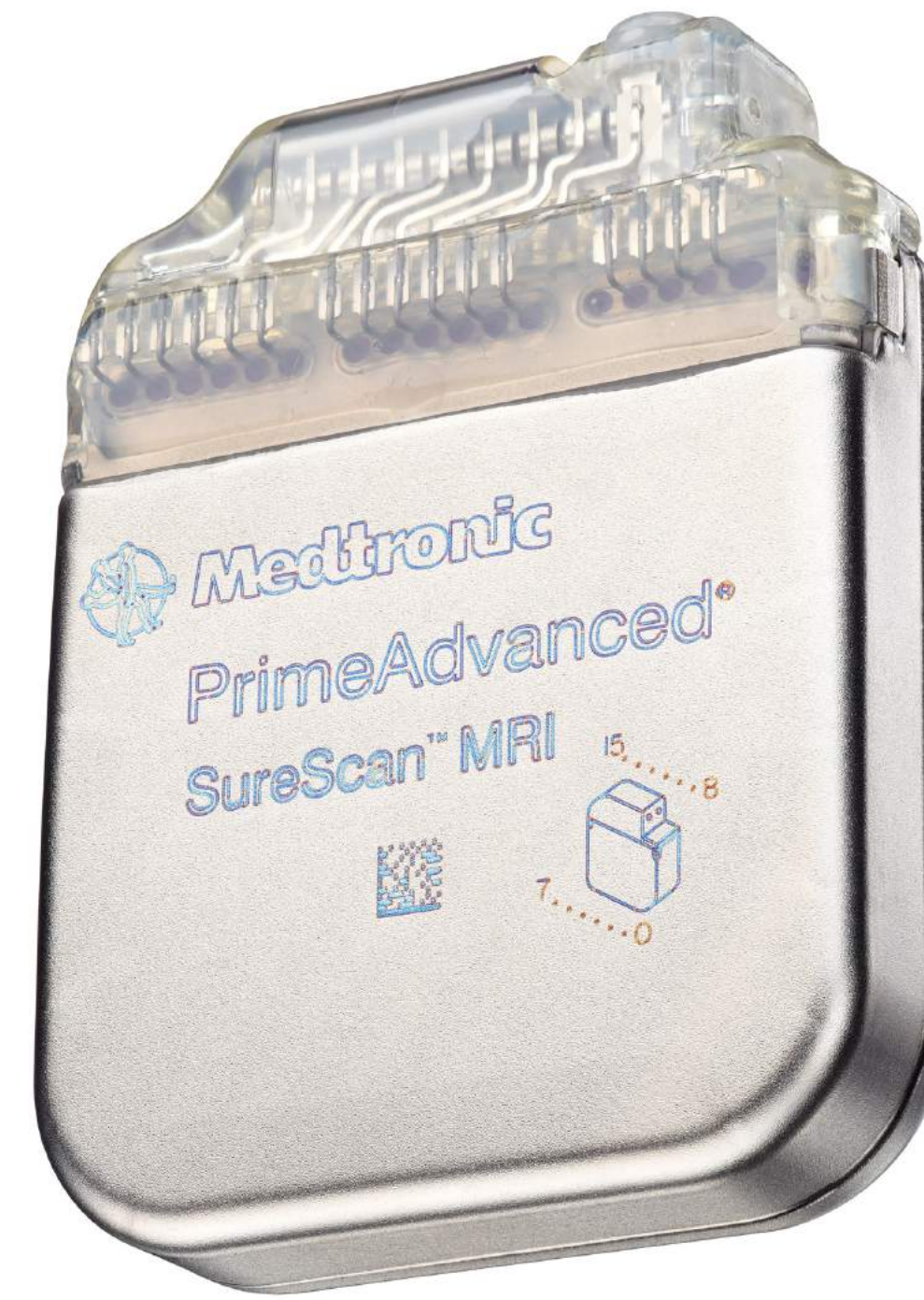
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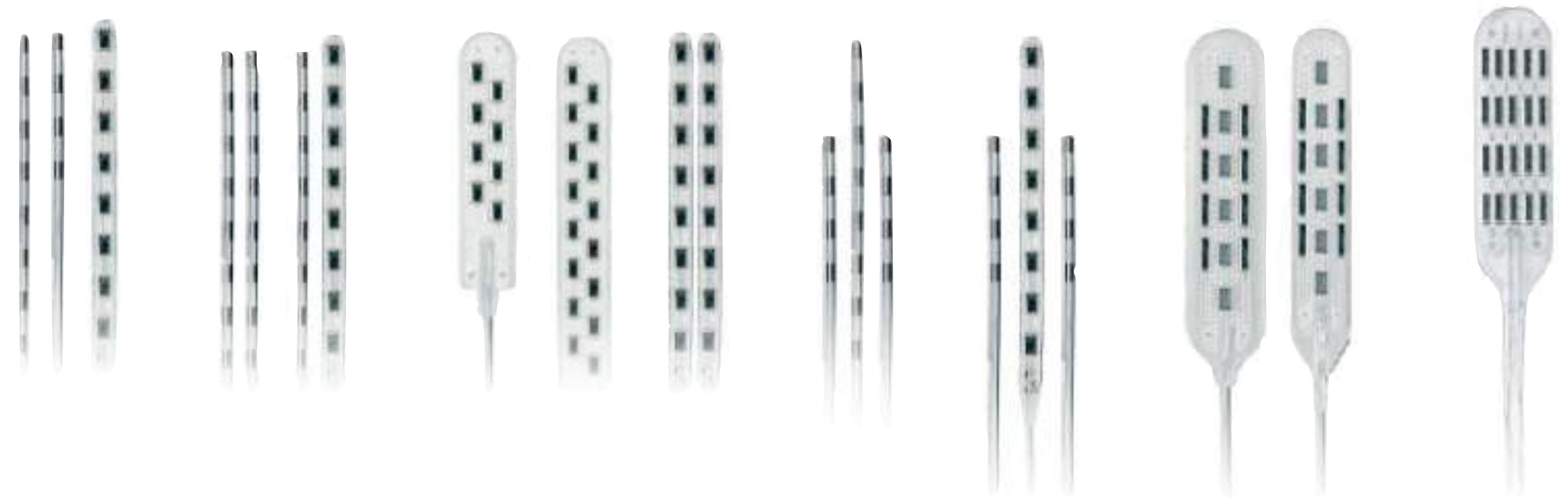
4 of 15 patients responded to HD stimulation for 1 week
VAS for HD 2.29 ± 0.41 vs. sham stimulation 6.31 ± 1.22

Sweet, Neuromodulation, 2016

Medtronic

- High density stimulation
- 1,5T full body MR compatibility





- Burst stimulation
- Low energy bluetooth connection
- Software upgrade



Boston Scientific

- 32 channel
- Burst, High frequency (1,2 kHz), Tonic
- Wireless programming



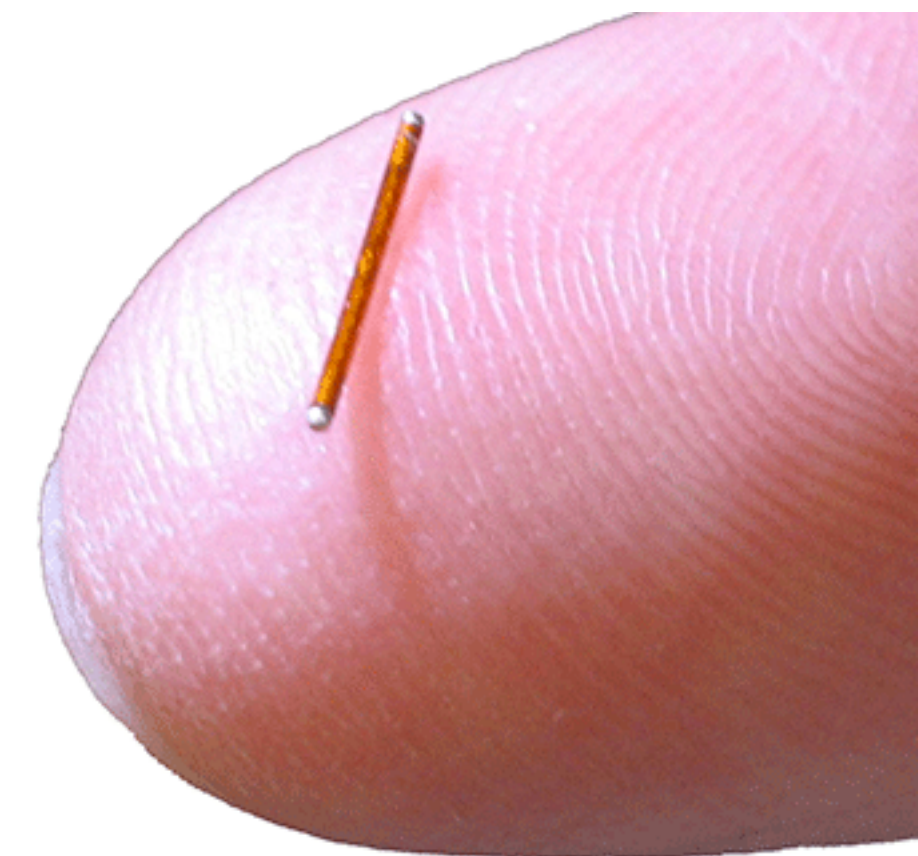


- Lead receiver unit - neurostimulator in the lead itself
- telemetric energy conduction

freedom-8A



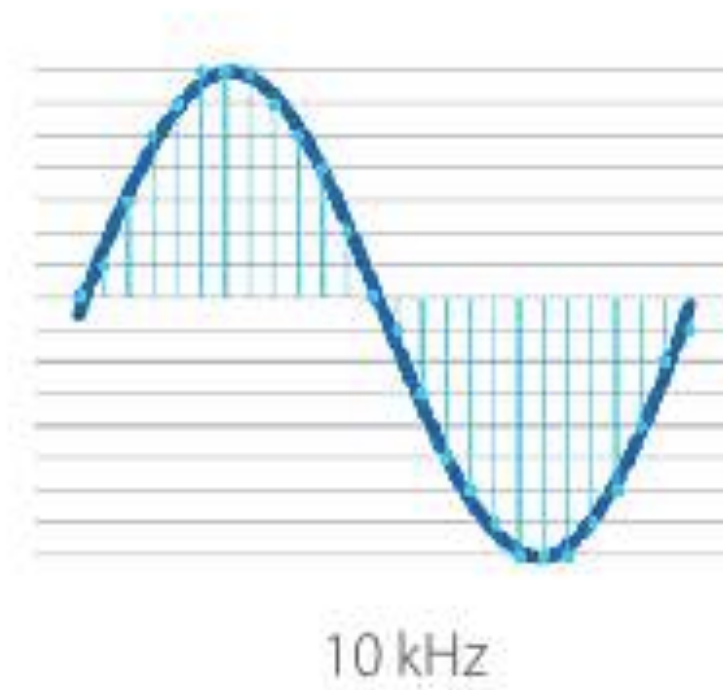
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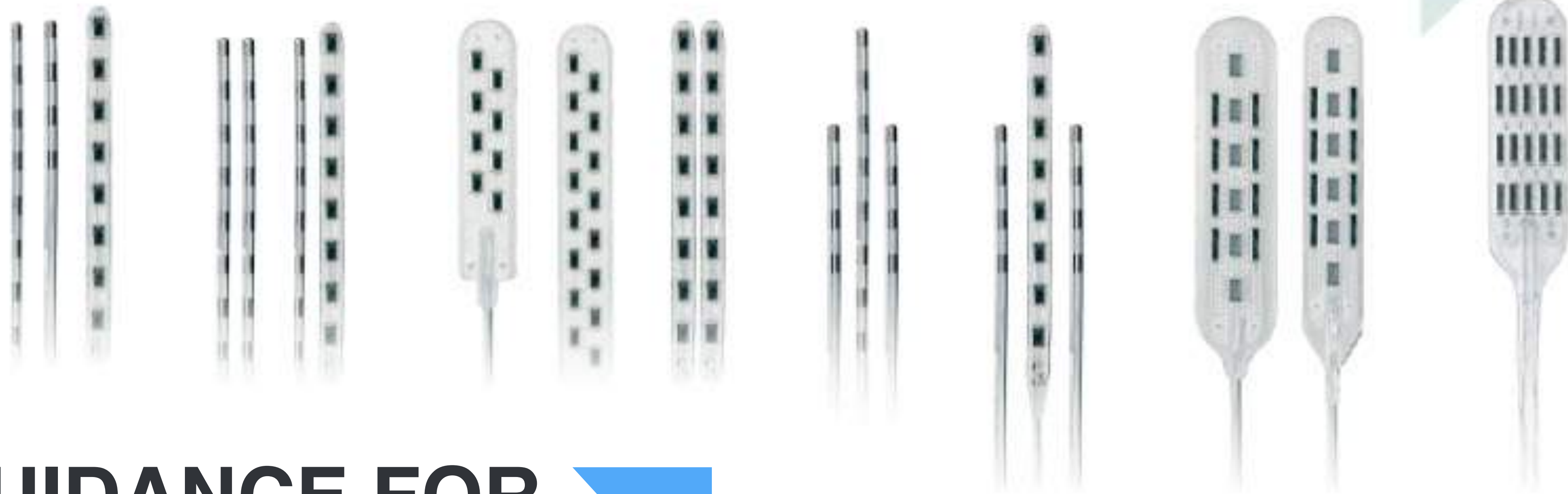
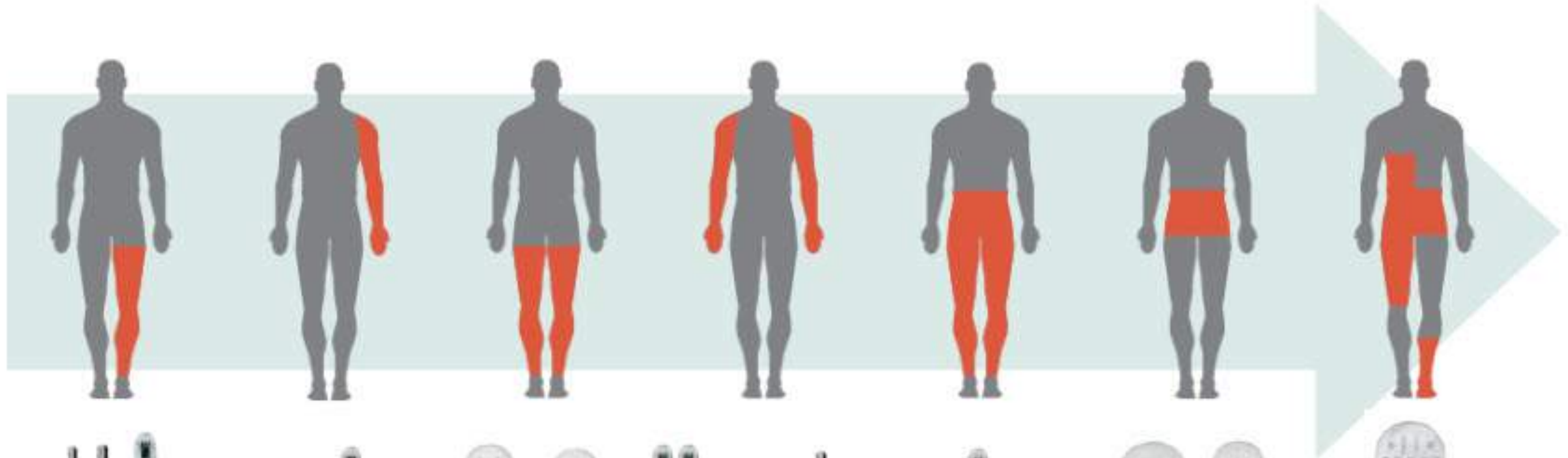
10+ year battery

10 kHz HF stimulation



Software upgrade

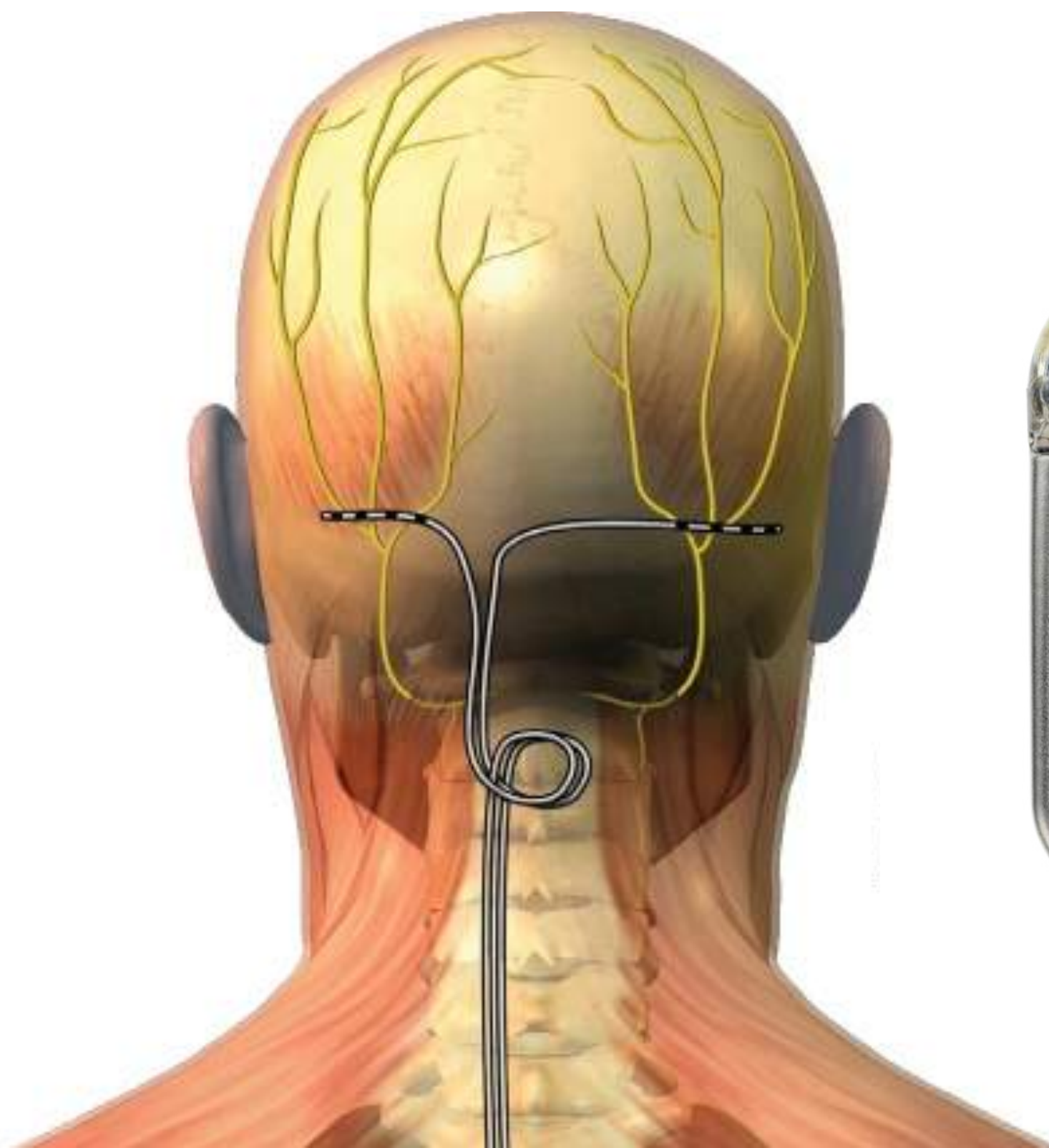
1,5T and 3T MR-conditional



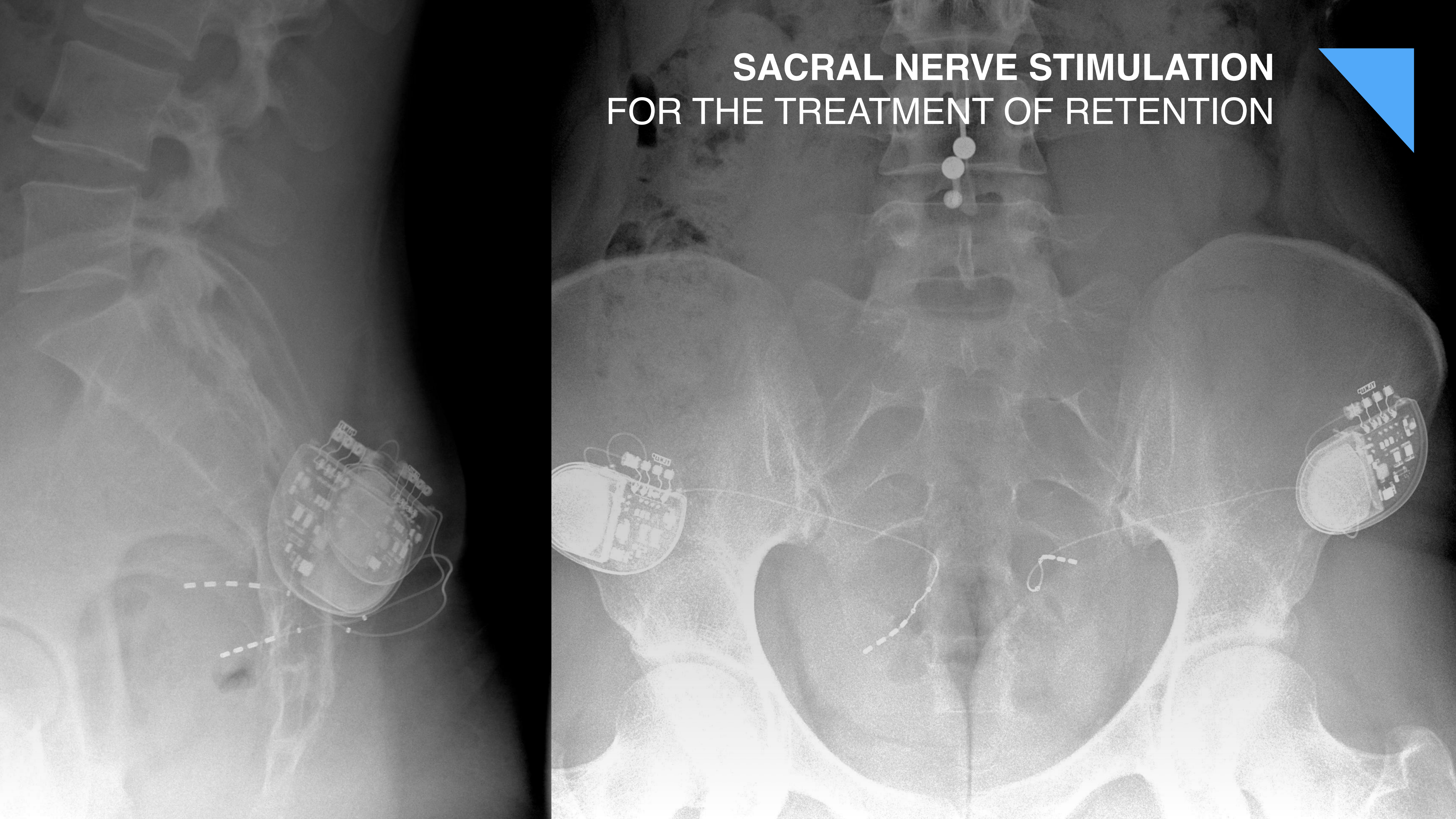
GUIDANCE FOR COMPLEXITY

OCCIPITAL stimulation

- CLUSTER HEADACHE
- CERVICOGENIC HEADACHE
- MIGRAIN



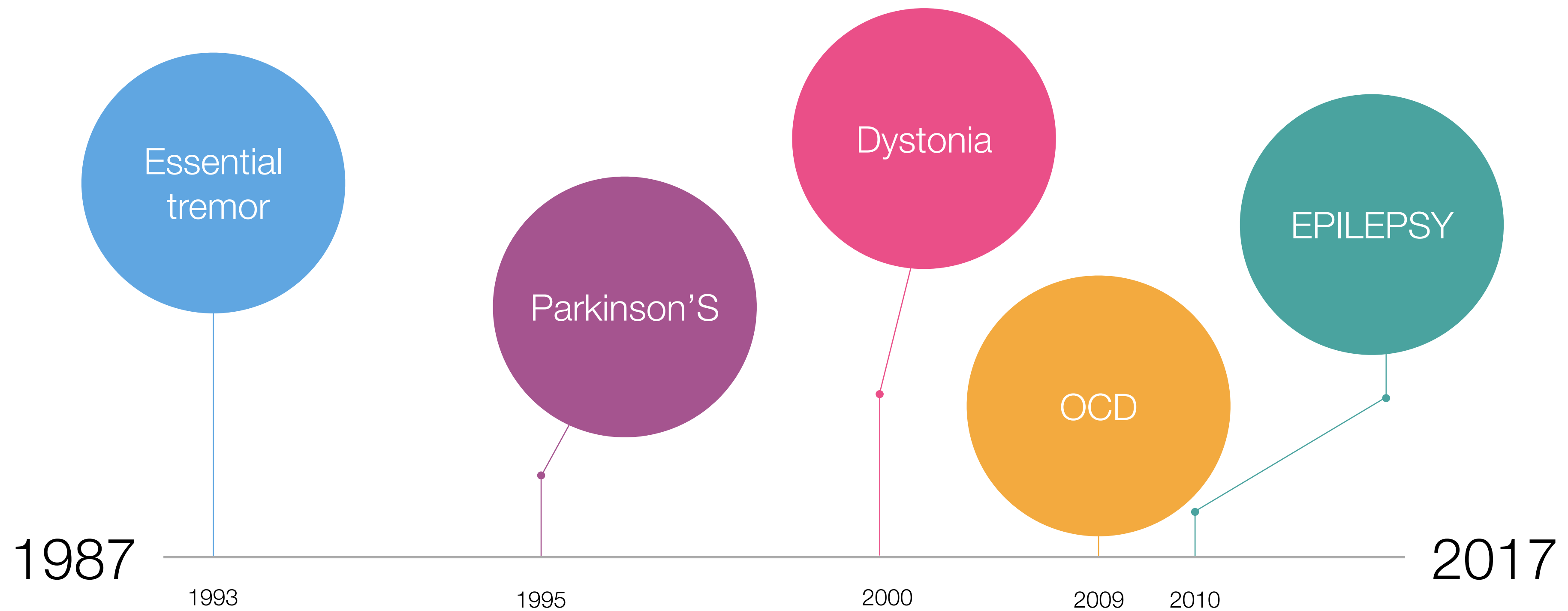
SACRAL NERVE STIMULATION FOR THE TREATMENT OF RETENTION



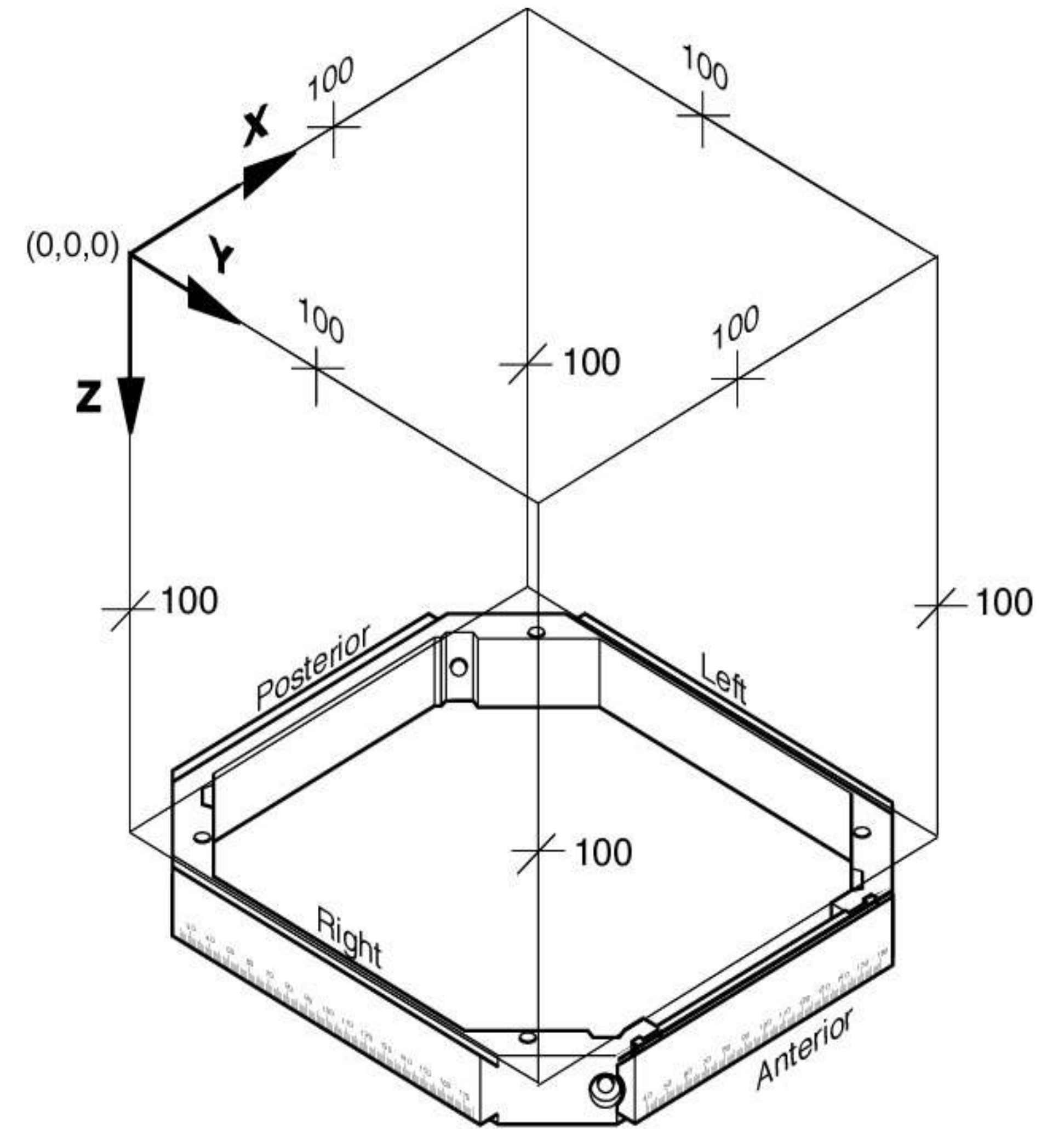
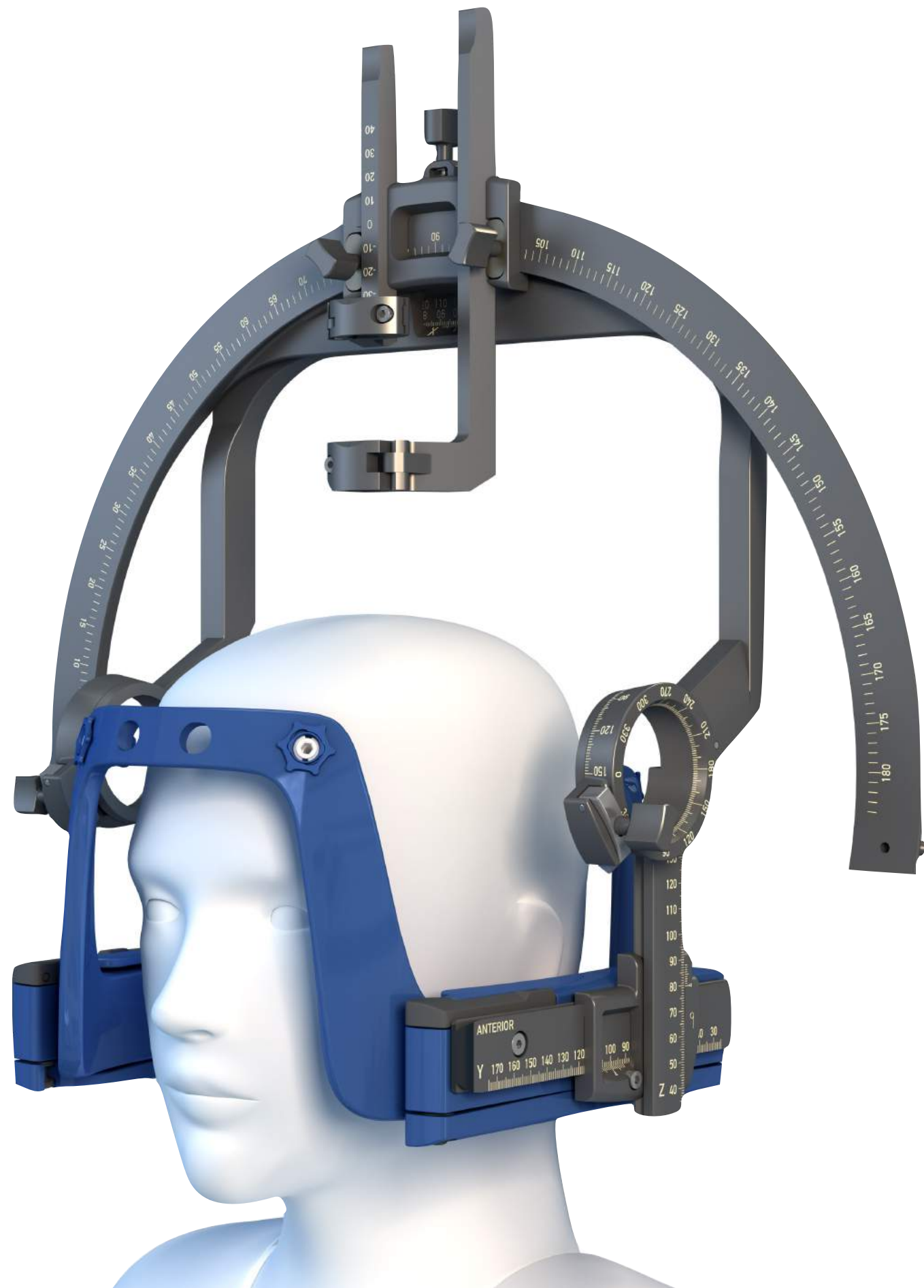


DEEP BRAIN STIMULATION

INDICATIONS OF DEEP BRAIN STIMULATION



STEREOTACTIC PROCEDURE

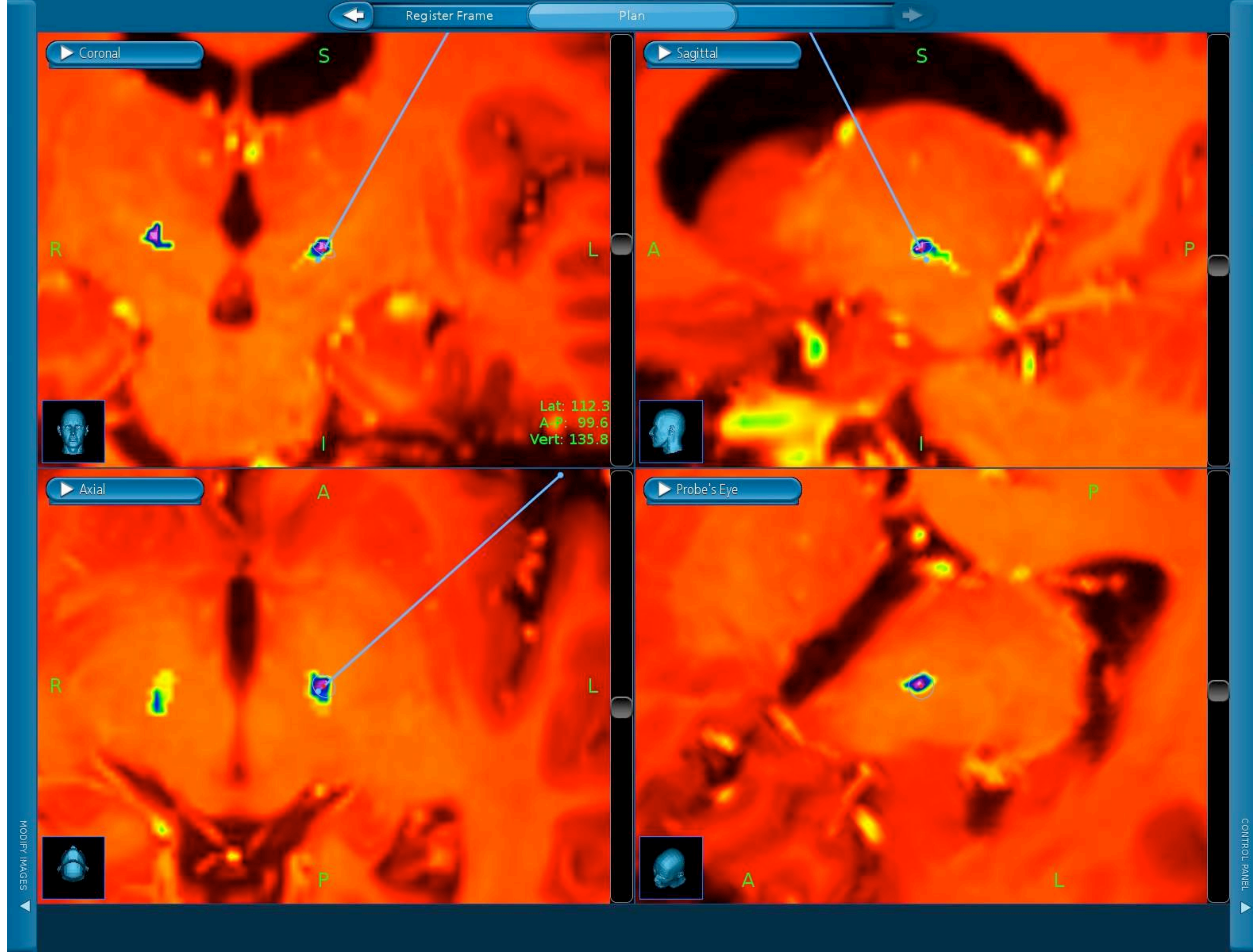


TARGETS IN MOVEMENT DISORDERS

- DBS is applied from the 1980s
- Parkinson's disease:
 - nucleus subthalamicus - STN
 - internal globus pallidus - GPi
 - thalamus nucleus ventralis intermedius - Vim (tremor)
- Essential tremor: thalamus ventrali intermedius
- Primary generalized and segmental dystonia - GPi

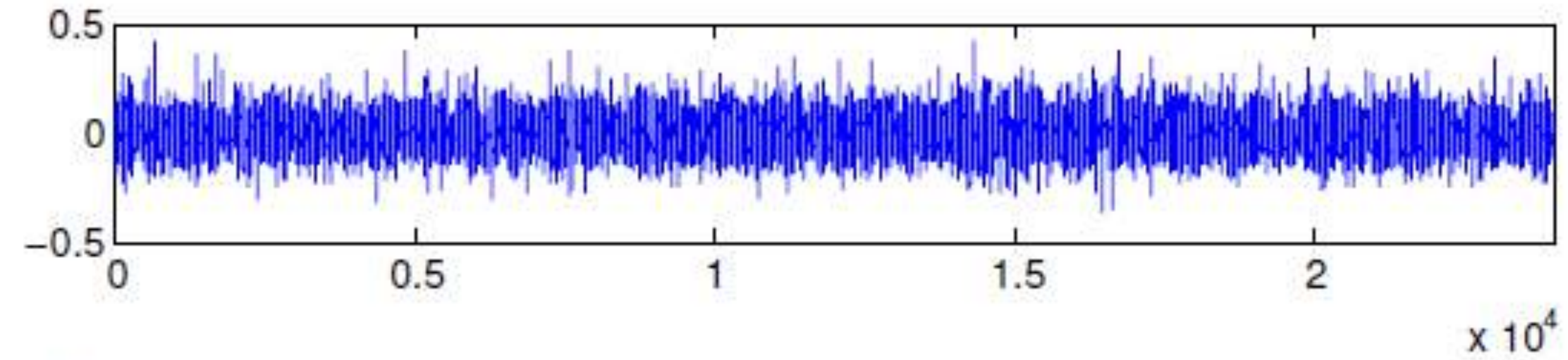
PLAN THE SURGERY

Preoperative planning

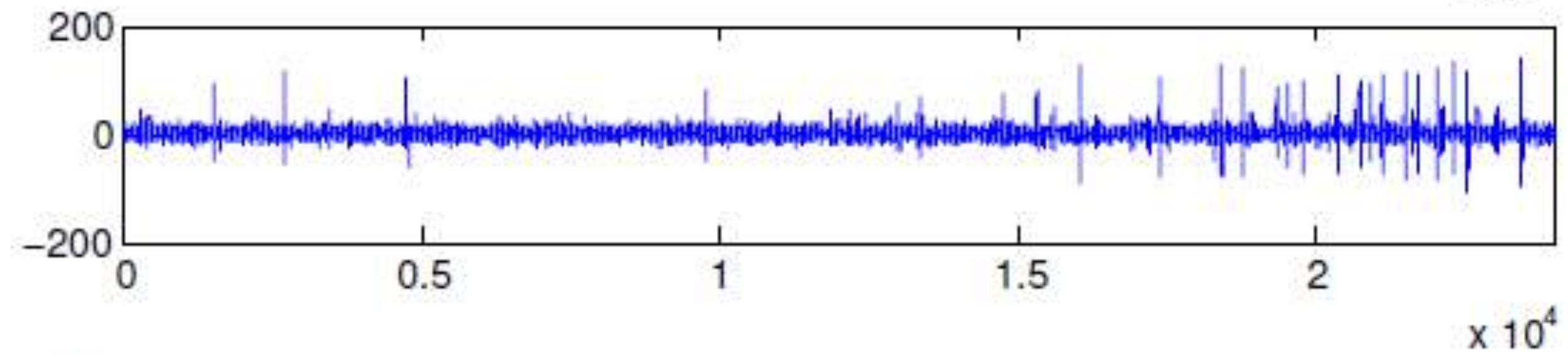


INTRAOPERATIVE MAPPING

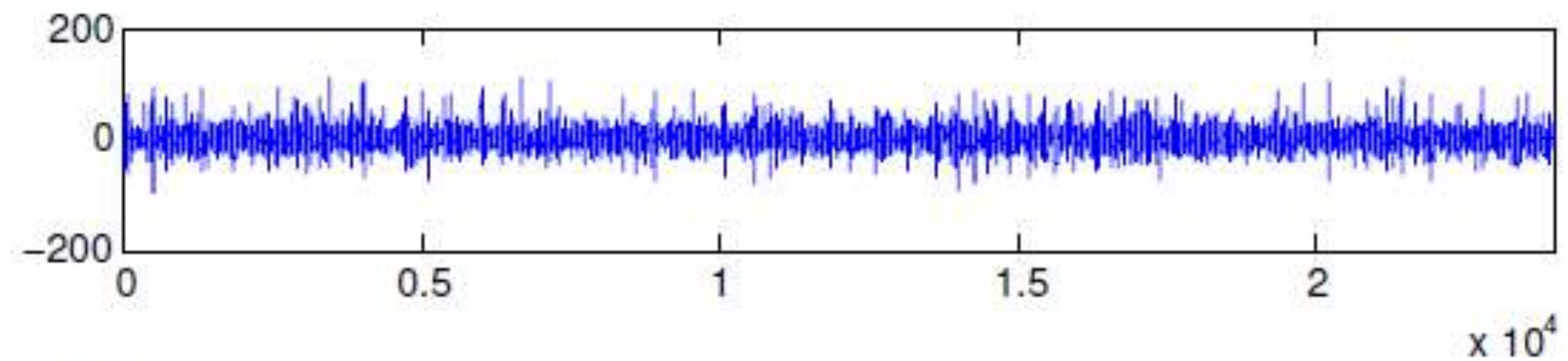
The patient is usually
awake



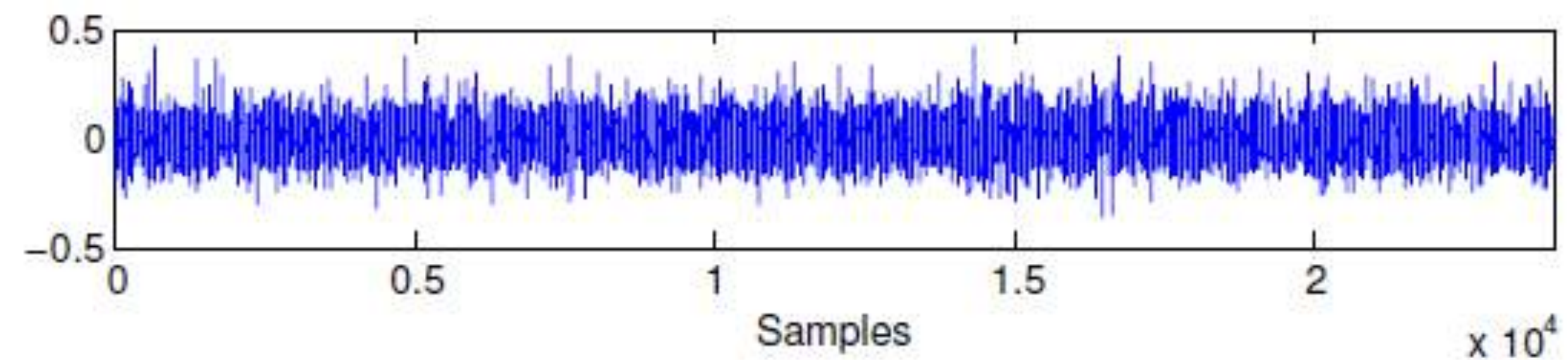
Thalamus



STN

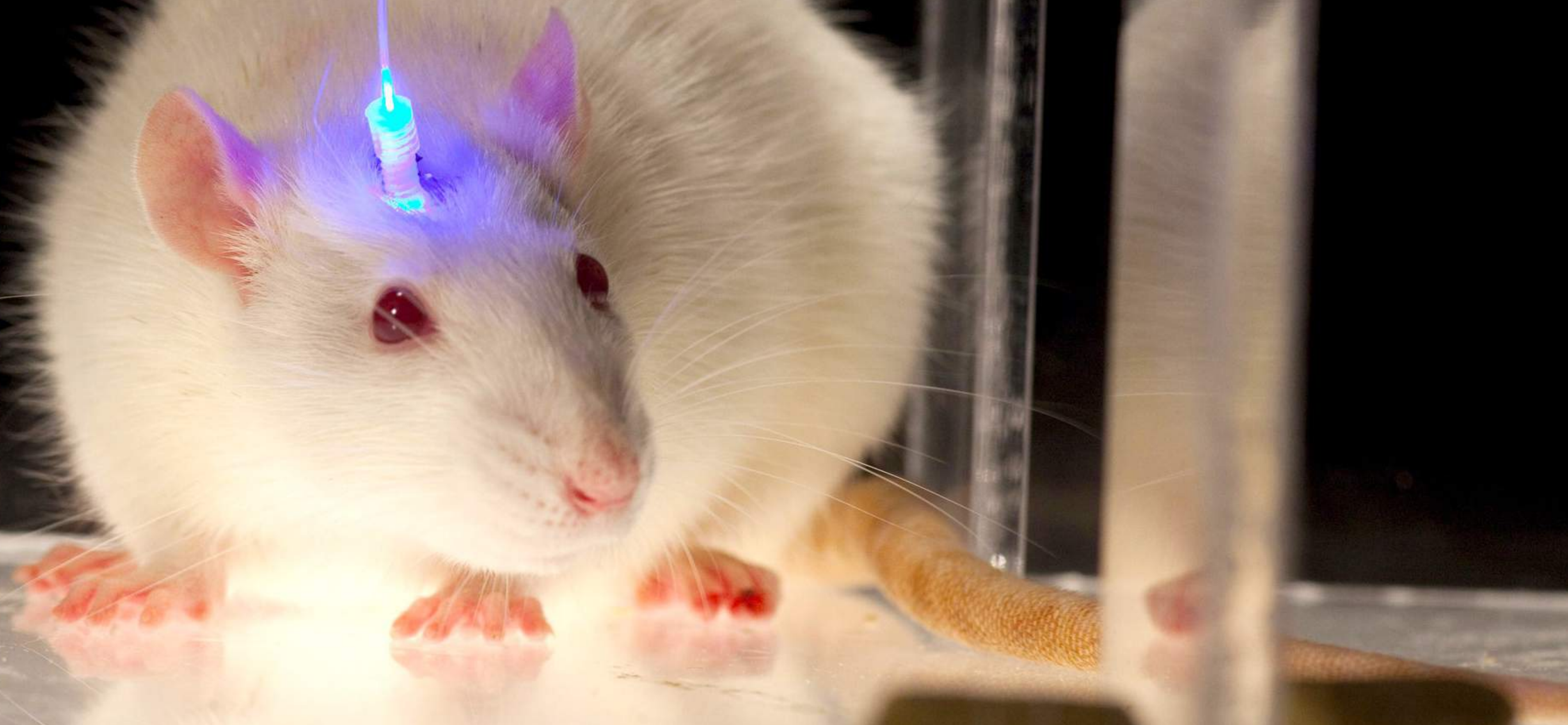


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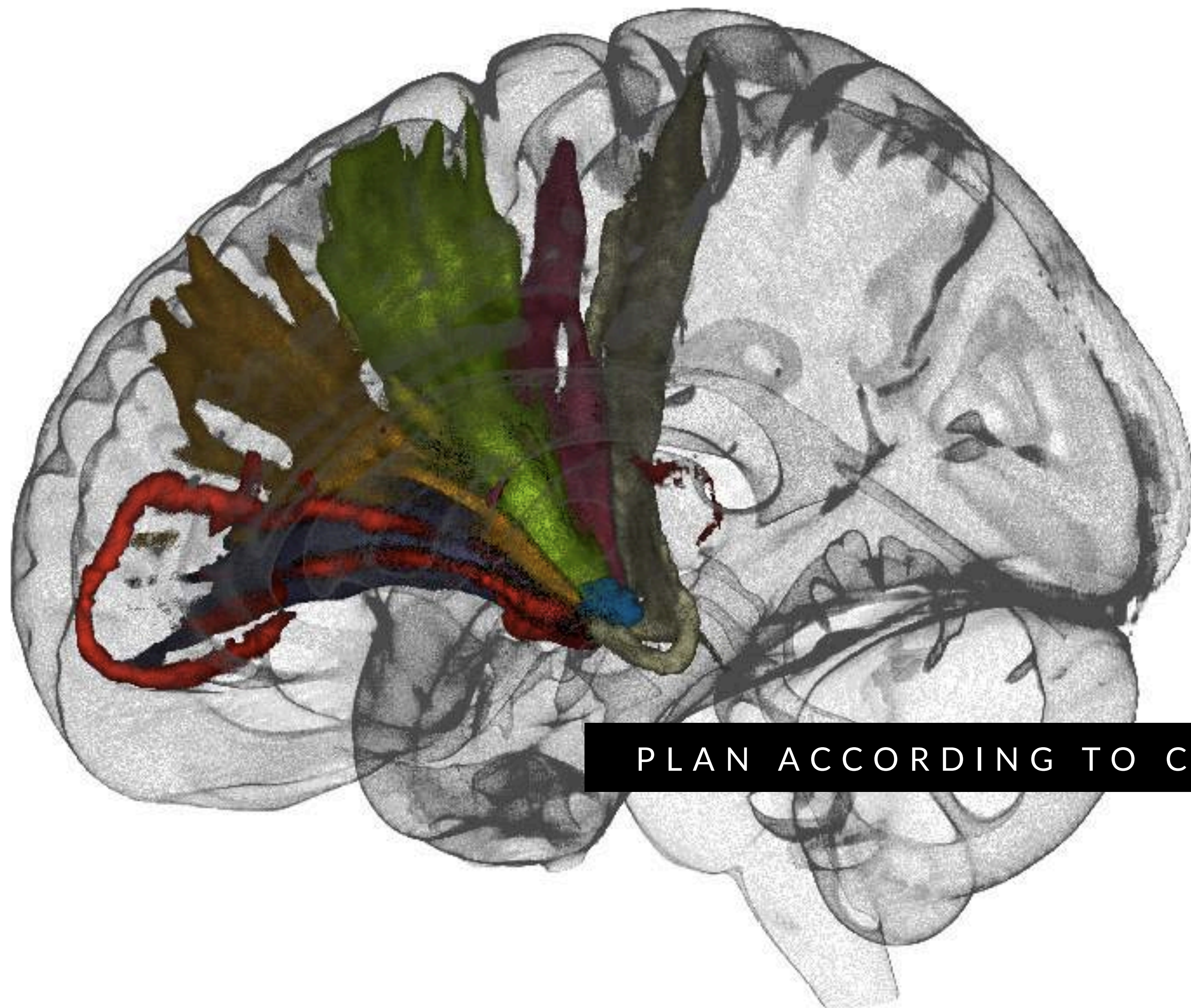


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OPTOGENETIC DECONSTRUCTION OF THE STN

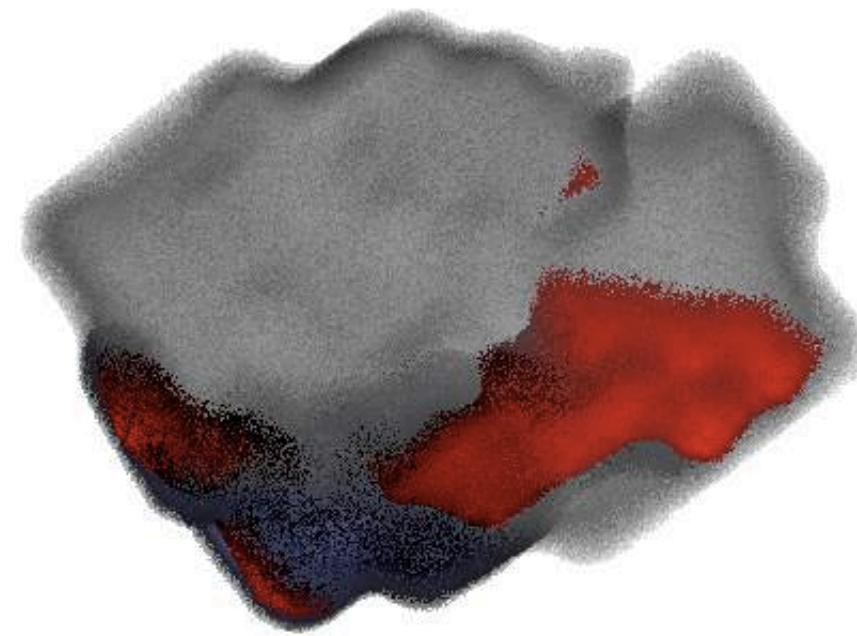


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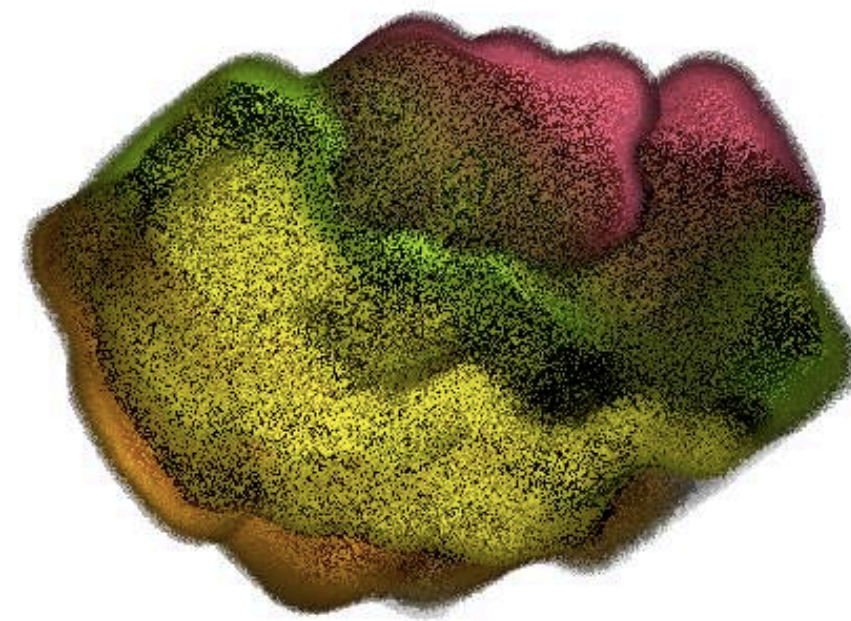
PLAN ACCORDING TO CONNECTIVITY MAPS

FUNKCIONAL CONNECTIVITIES OF THE STN



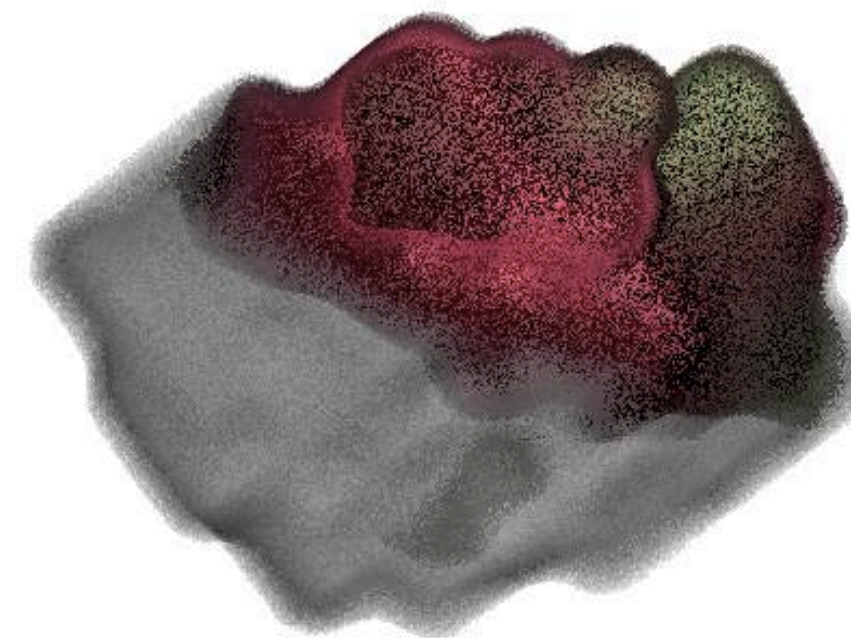
LIMBIC-ASSOCIATIVE

OFC, HIPPOCAMPUS,
AMYG, ACC, DLPFC



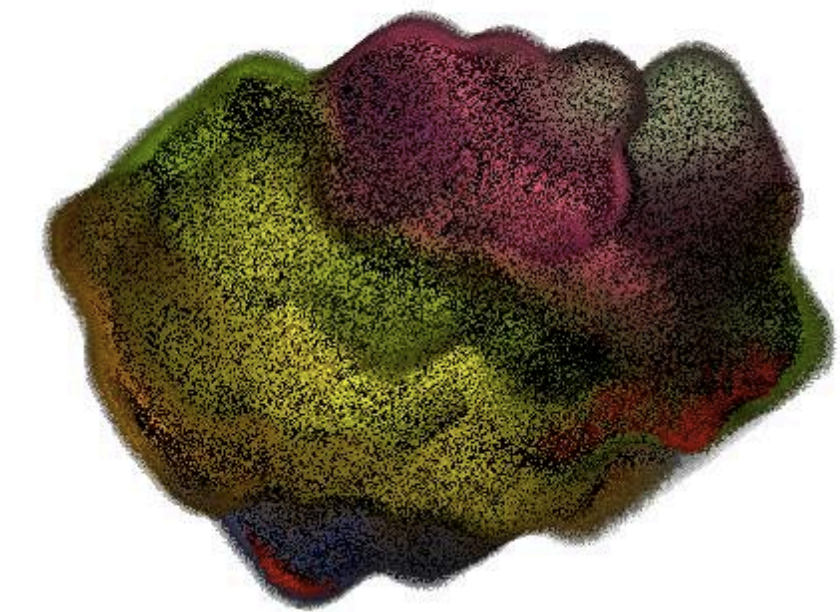
MOTOR REGIONS

PRESMA, SMA,
PREOMOTOR, M1



SENSORY-MOTOR

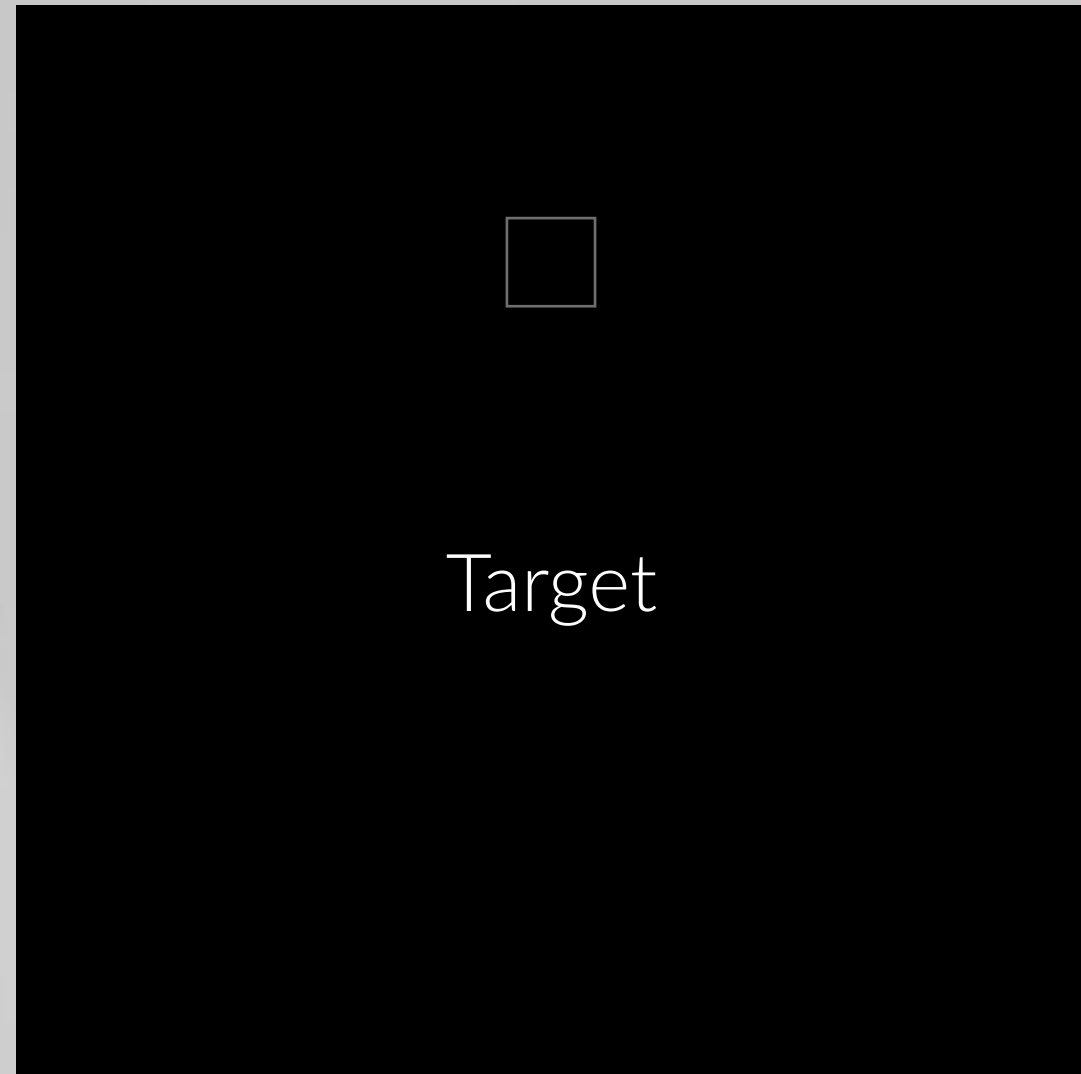
M1, S1

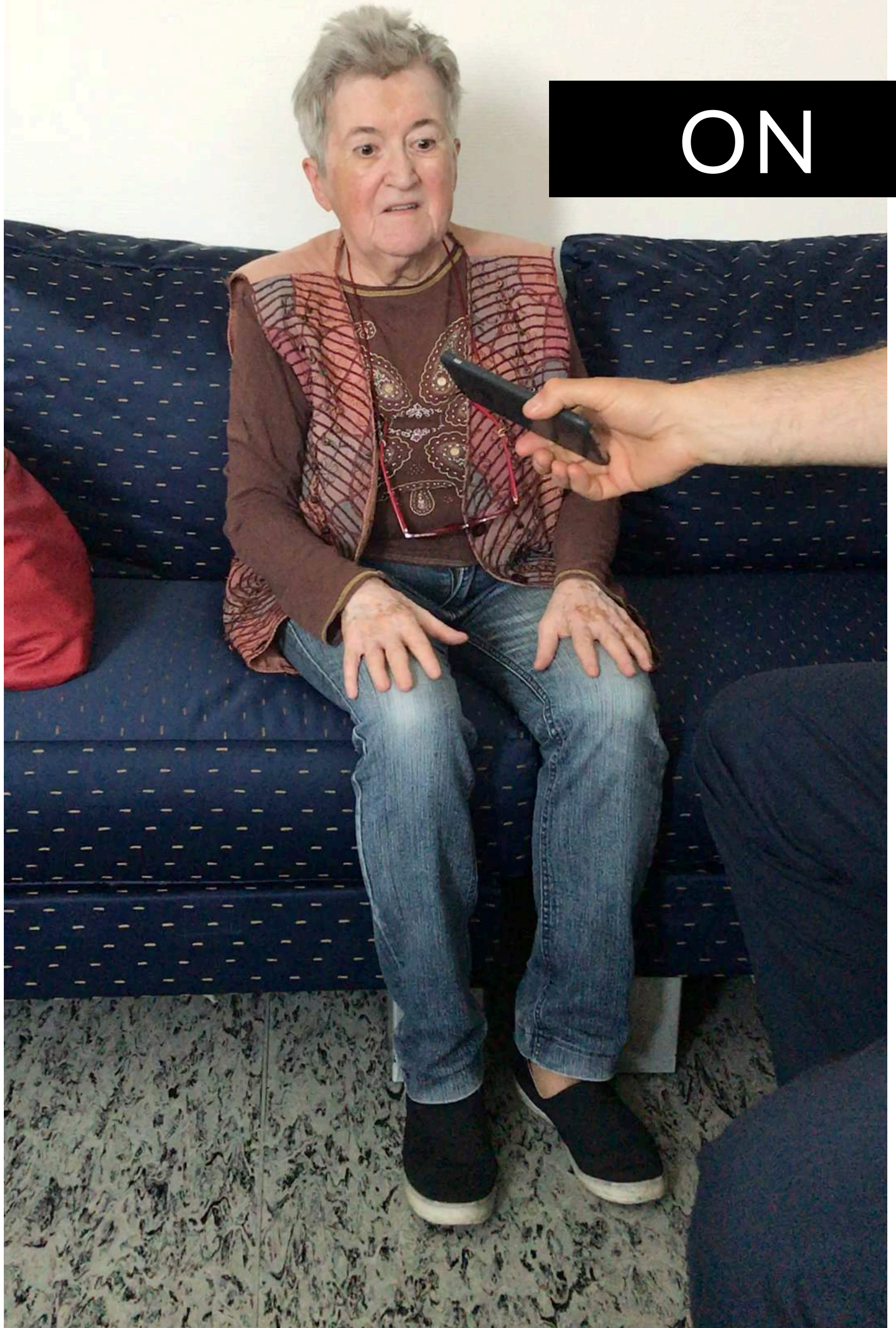
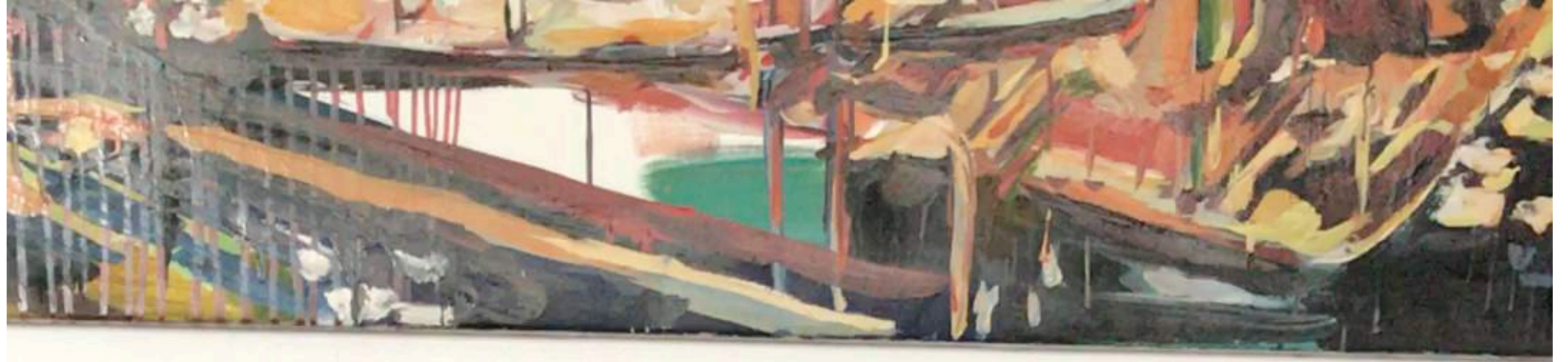


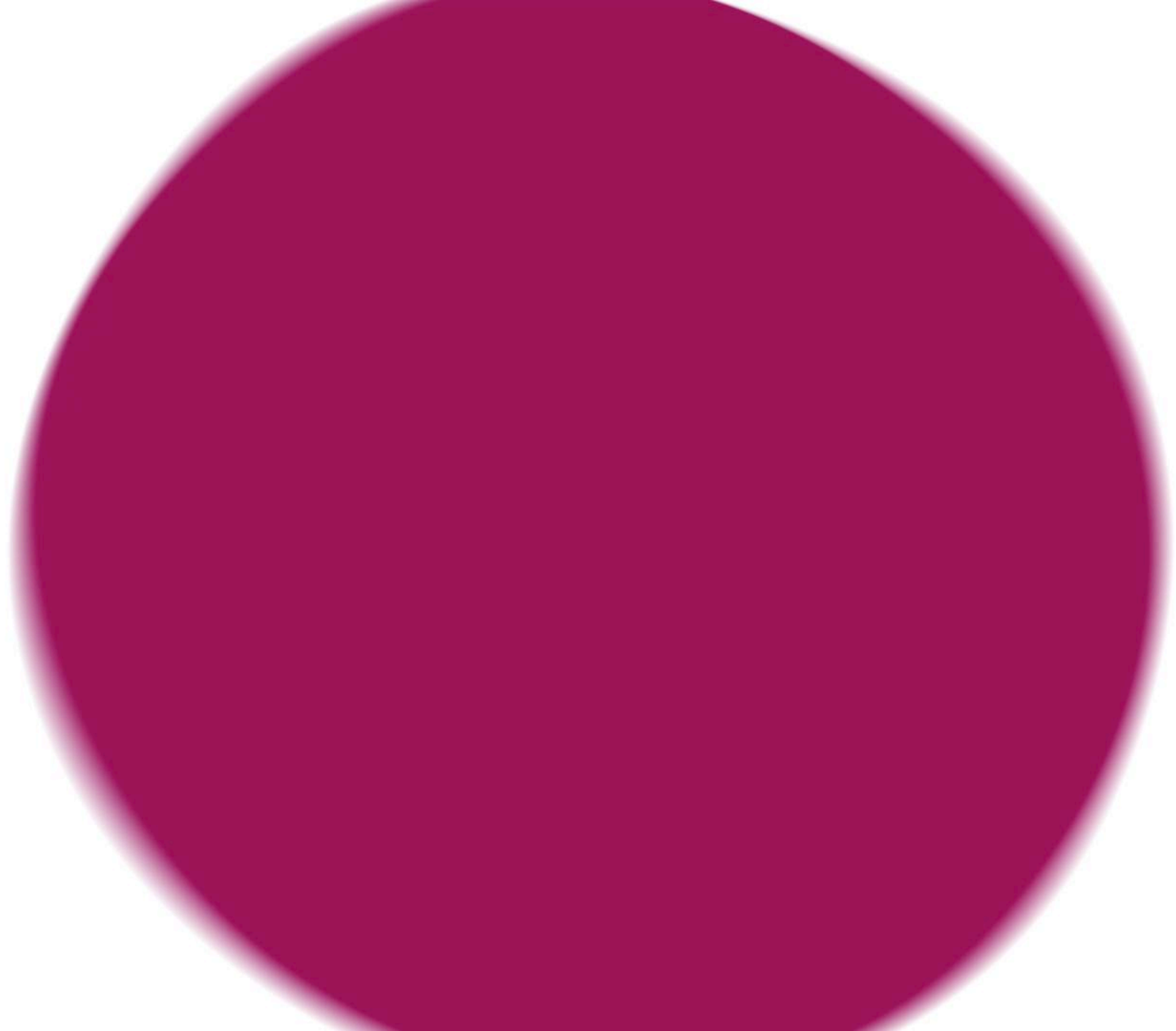
STN



CONNECTIVITY MAPS









INTRATHECAL DRUG DELIVERY



WHAT IS SPASTICITY?

- Spasticity is a disorder of the sensorimotor control resulting from an upper motor neuron lesion, presenting as intermittent or sustained involuntary activation of muscles (EU-SPAZM Group, 2005)

CAUSES OF SPASTICITY

- CNS trauma
- Stroke
- Neurodegenerative diseases
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Clinical signs: gradual

CLINICAL SIGNS OF SPASTICITY

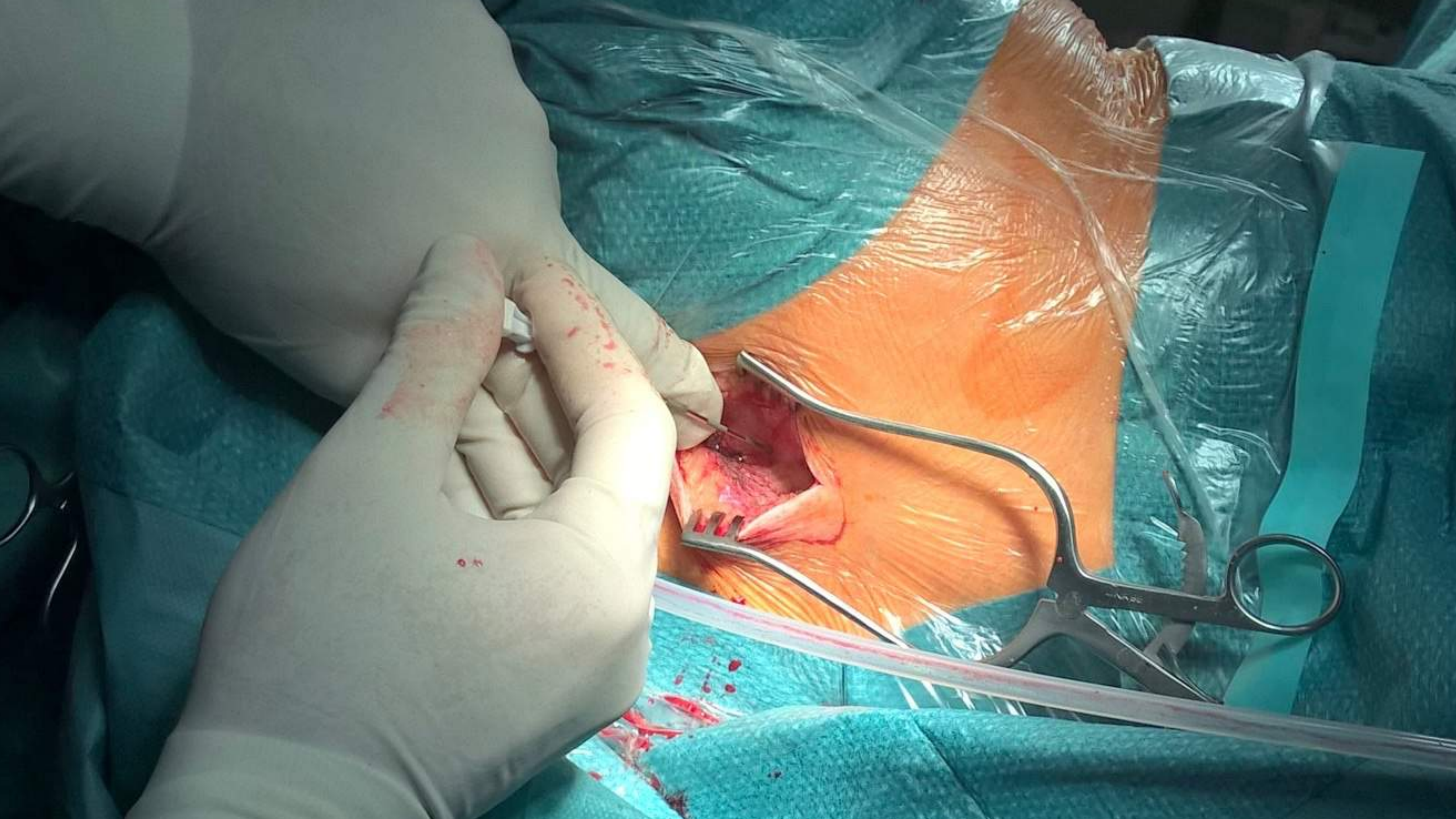
- worsening, hyperexcitability of stretch reflexes, cocontractions, abnormal postures
- UML: positive and negative signs (POS: spasticity, spasms, clonus, associated reactions, pos. support reactions, brisk tendon reflexes, extensor plantar responses, NEG: weakness, reduced dexterity, reduced postural responses)

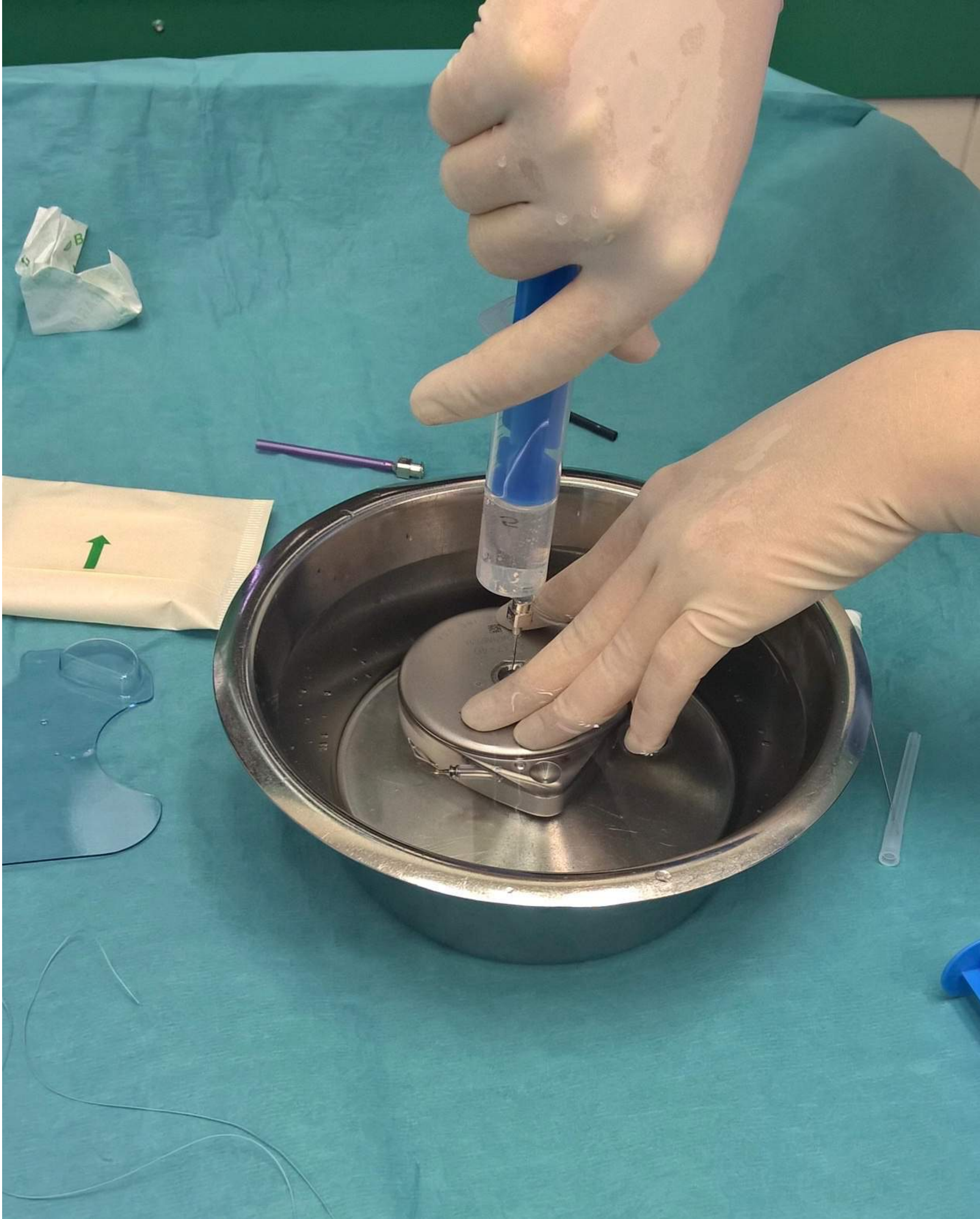
COMPLEX THERAPEUTIC OPTIONS

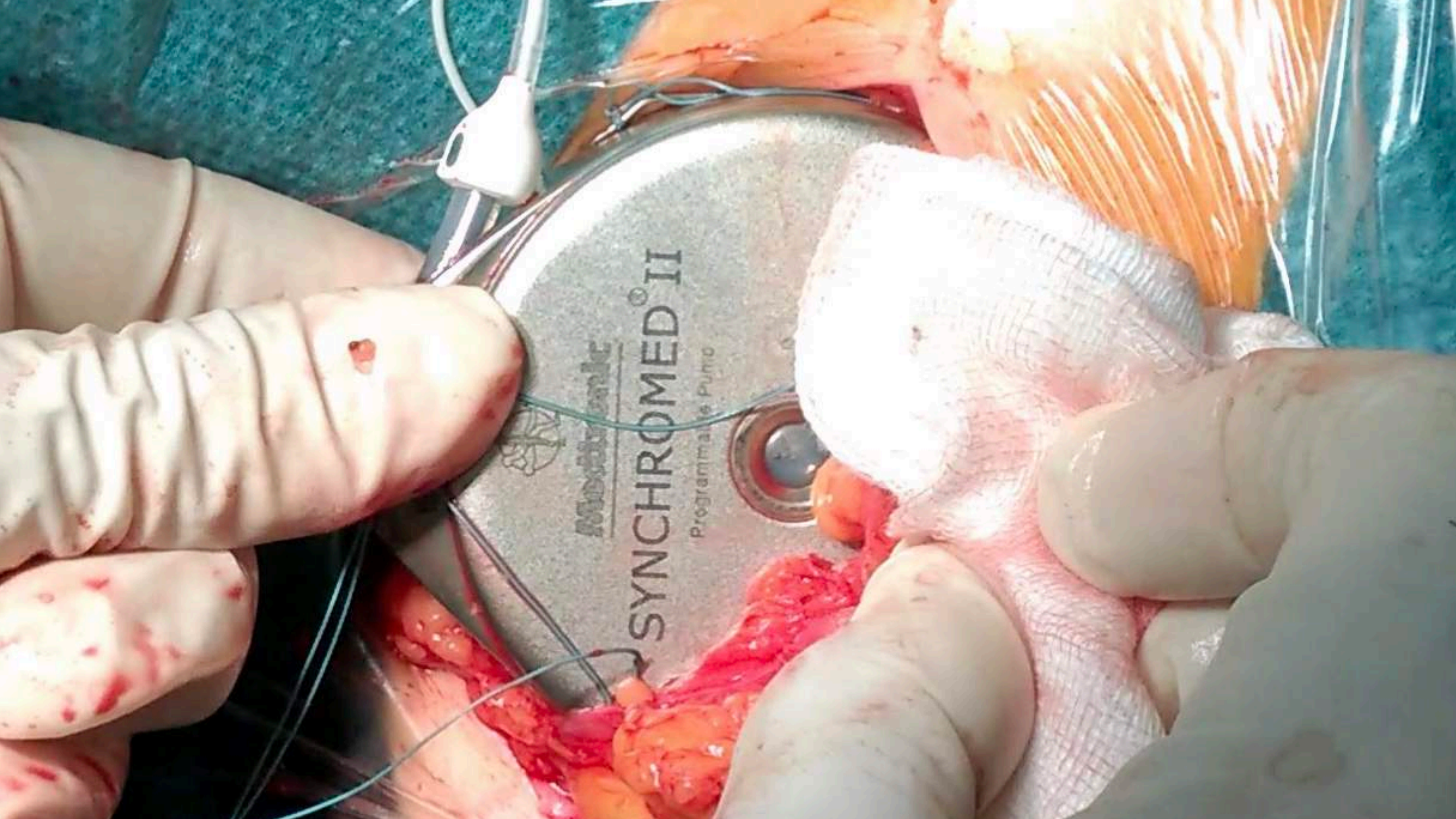
- Physiotherapy
- Oral drug therapy
- Focal botulinum toxin therapy
- Orthopedic deformity correction
- Neuroablative procedures
- Intrathecal Baclofen therapy







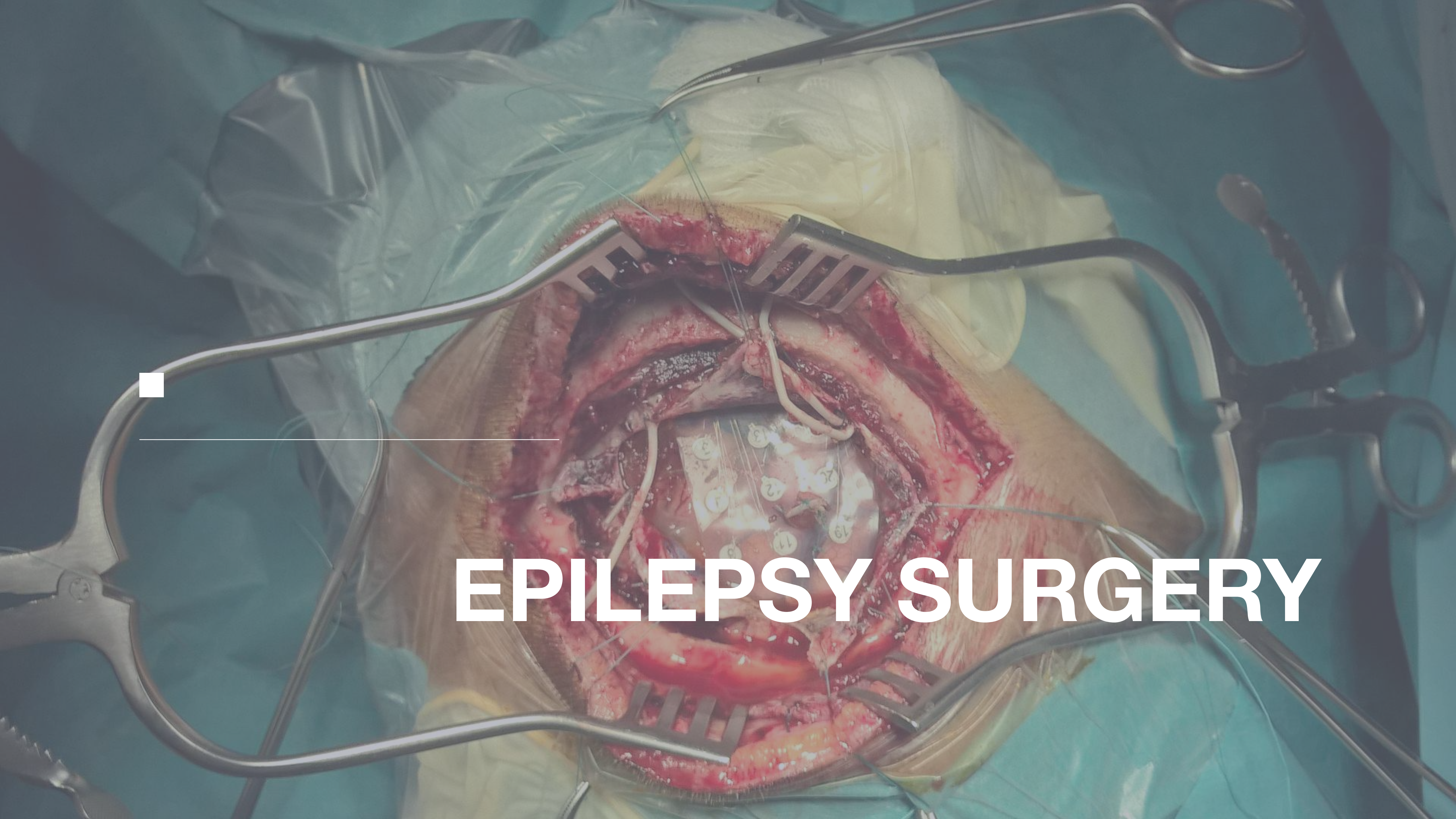




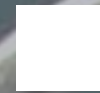
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EPILEPSY SURGERY



A microscopic image of neurons with a black overlay box. The neurons are shown in various colors (green, blue, yellow) against a dark background. A large black rectangle is positioned on the left side of the image, partially overlapping the neurons. The text 'EPILEPSY & NETWORK' is written in white, bold, sans-serif font across the black rectangle. The ampersand is larger and more stylized than the other letters. Below the main black rectangle, there is a smaller black square and a thin white line extending downwards.

EPILEPSY & NETWORK

IDENTIFY THE SEIZURE
ONSET ZONE

REMOVE THE
EPILEPTOGENIC ZONE
WITHOUT DOING ANY
SEVERE NEUROLOGICAL
DEFICIT

SURGICAL PROCEDURES

Lesionectomy

Topectomy

Standard surgeries: lobectomies, selective amygdalohipocampectomy

Extratemporal resections

Hemispherotomy

Callosocommissurotomy

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MULTIMODAL APPROACH

MR

PET

MAP

FMRI

HFO

CCEP

TRAC



NON-INVASIVE

HISTORY

SEMIOLOGY

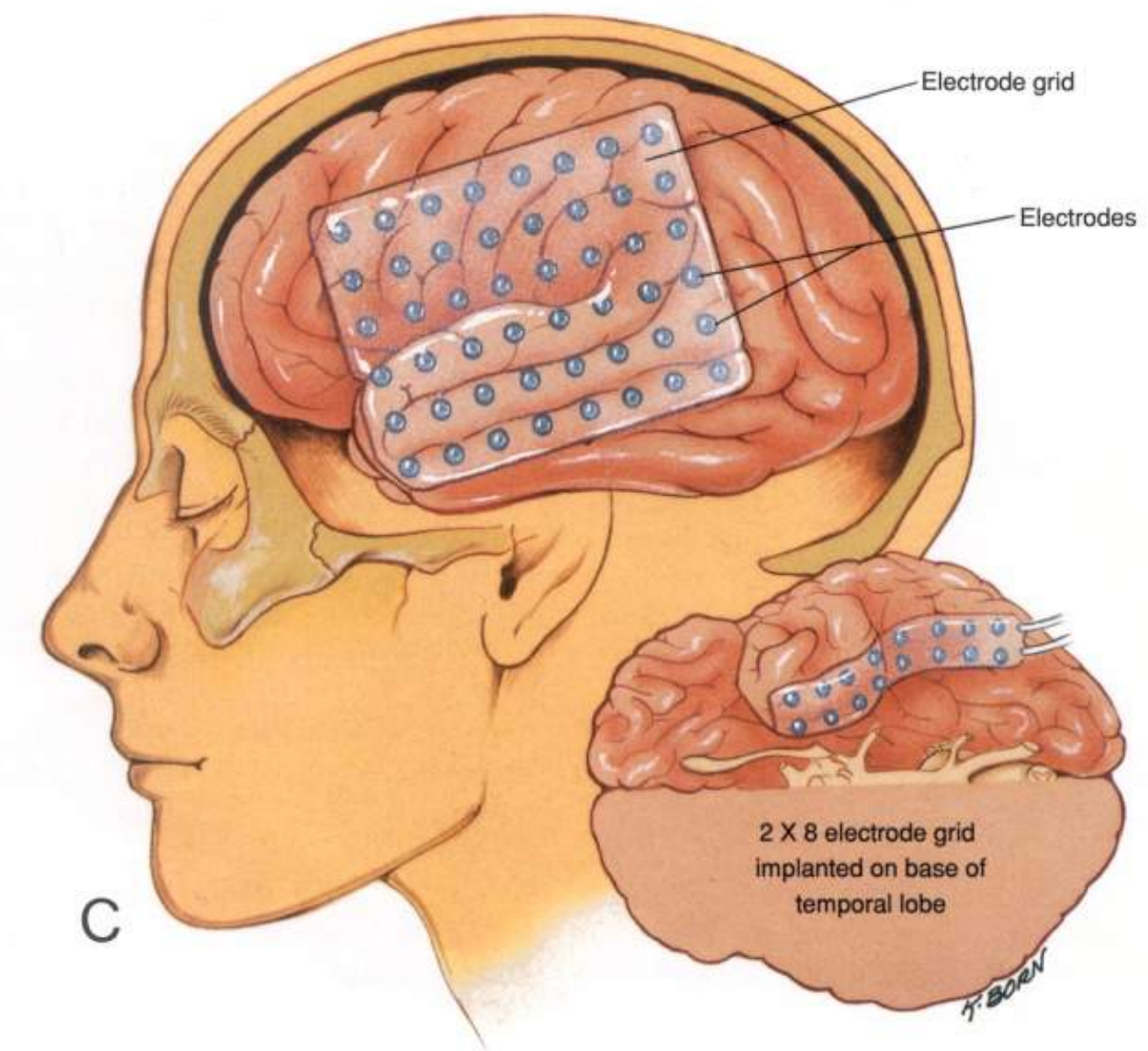
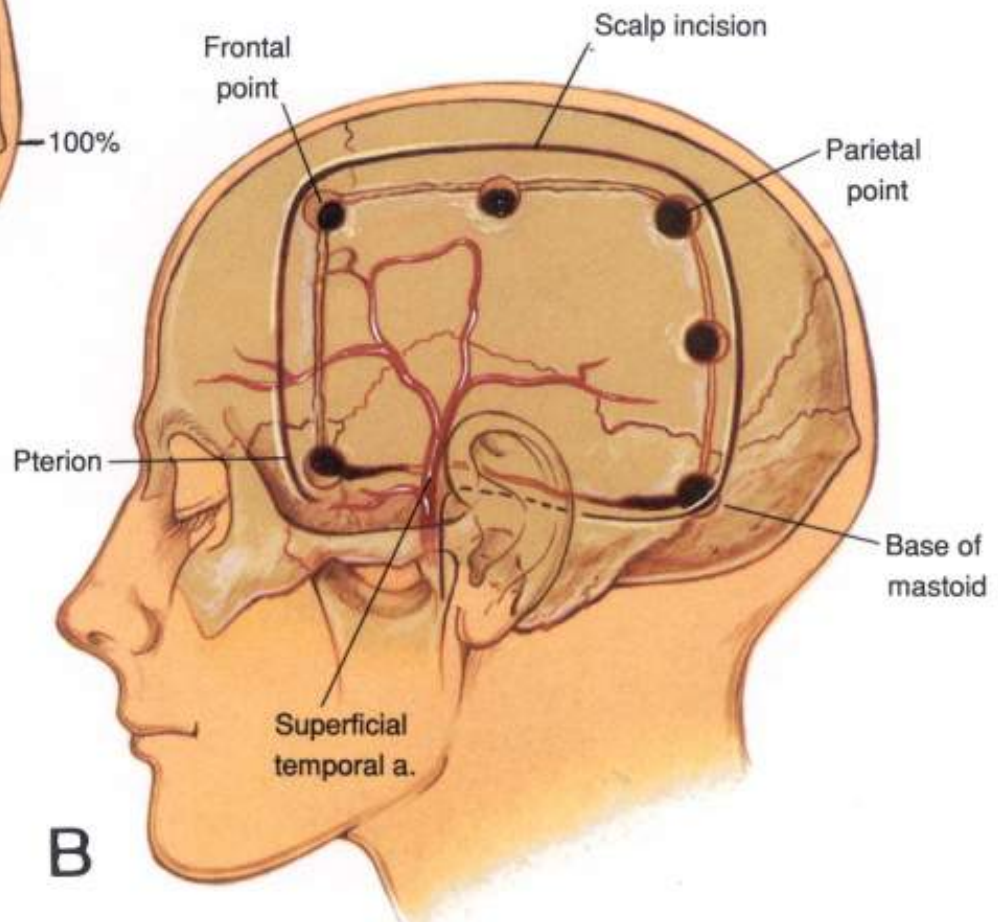
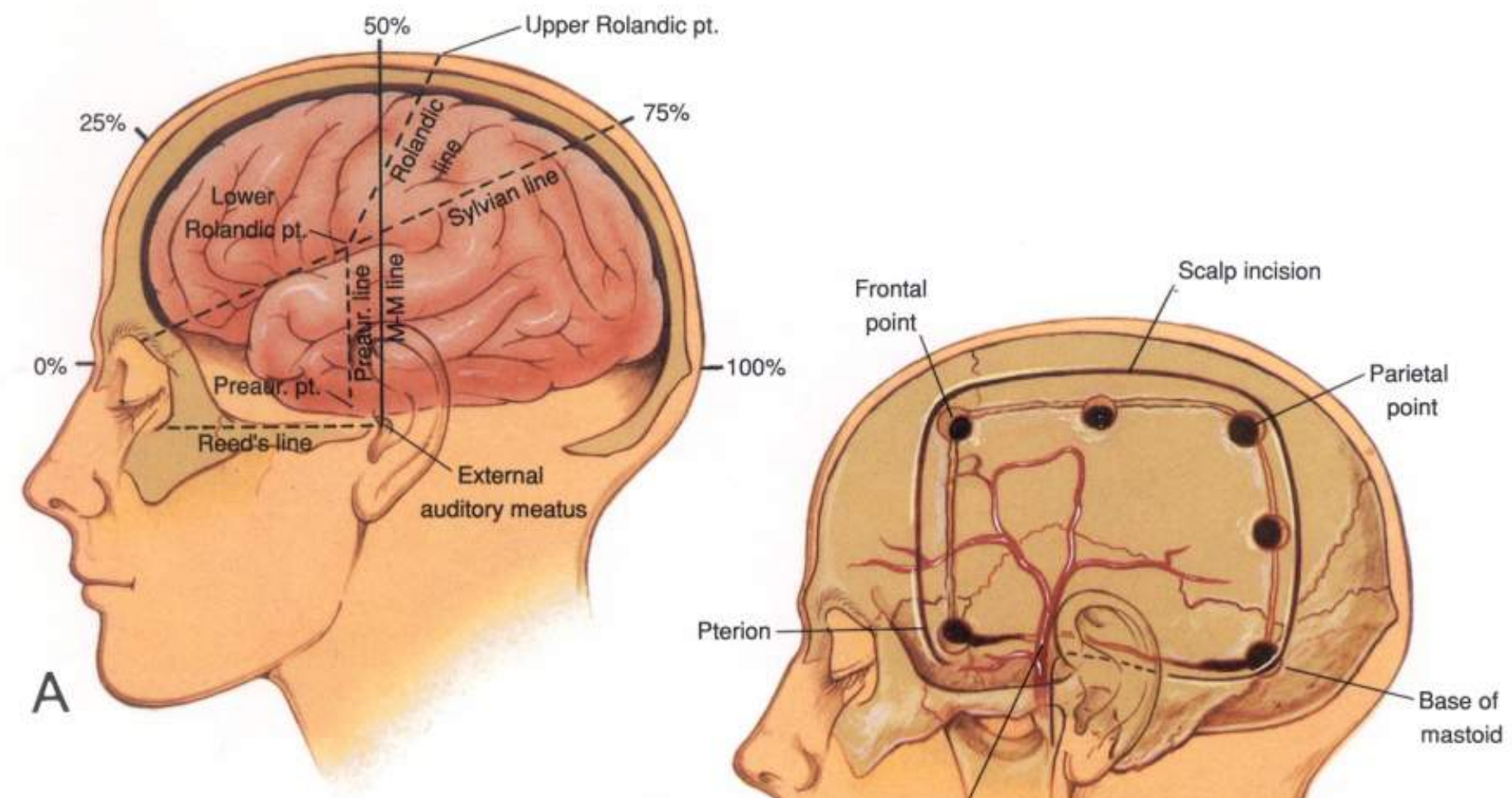
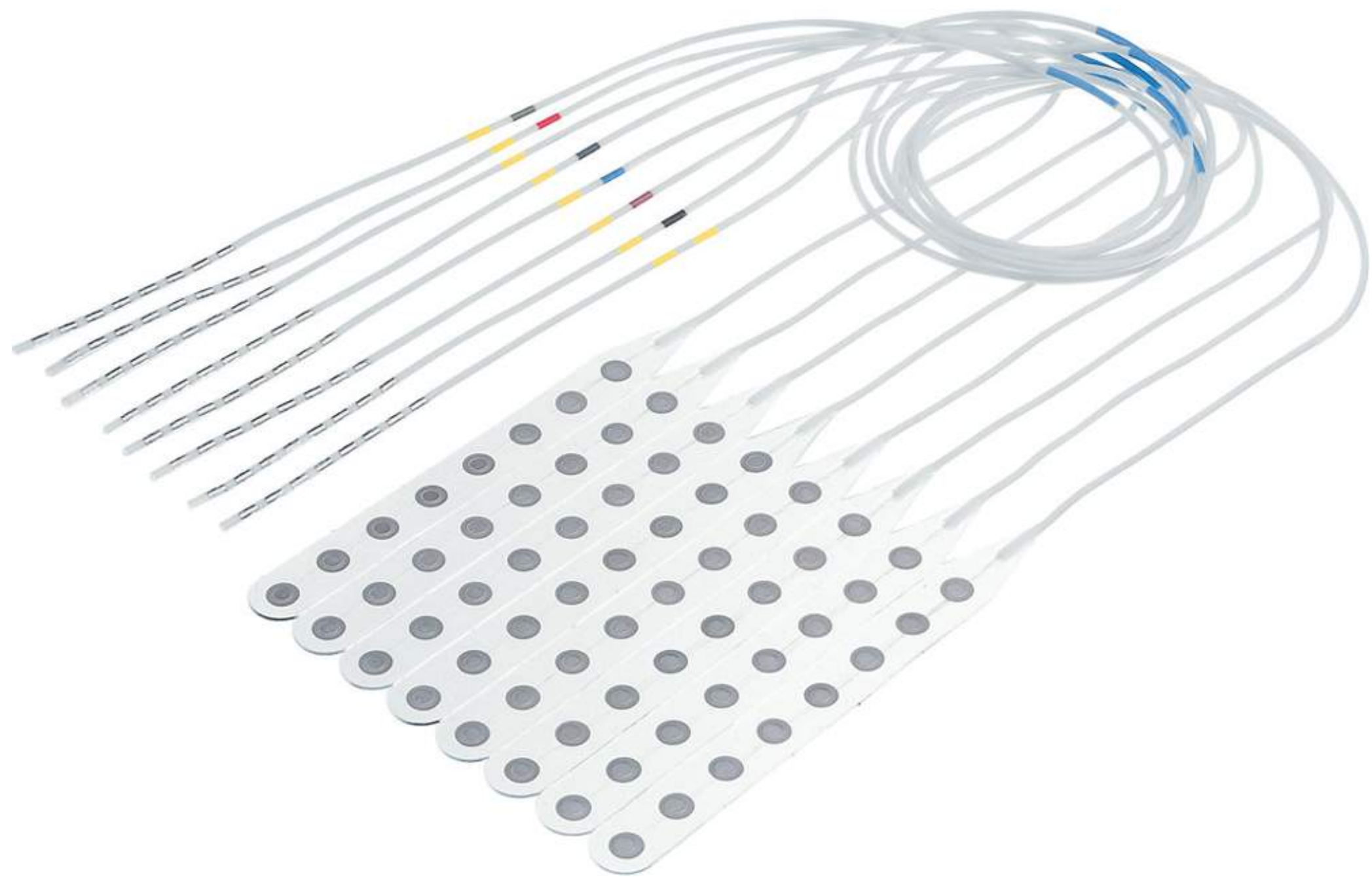
EEG

MRI

NEUROPSYCHOLOGY

FMRI, DTI, PET - CT/MR, SPECT, ASL, MAP07

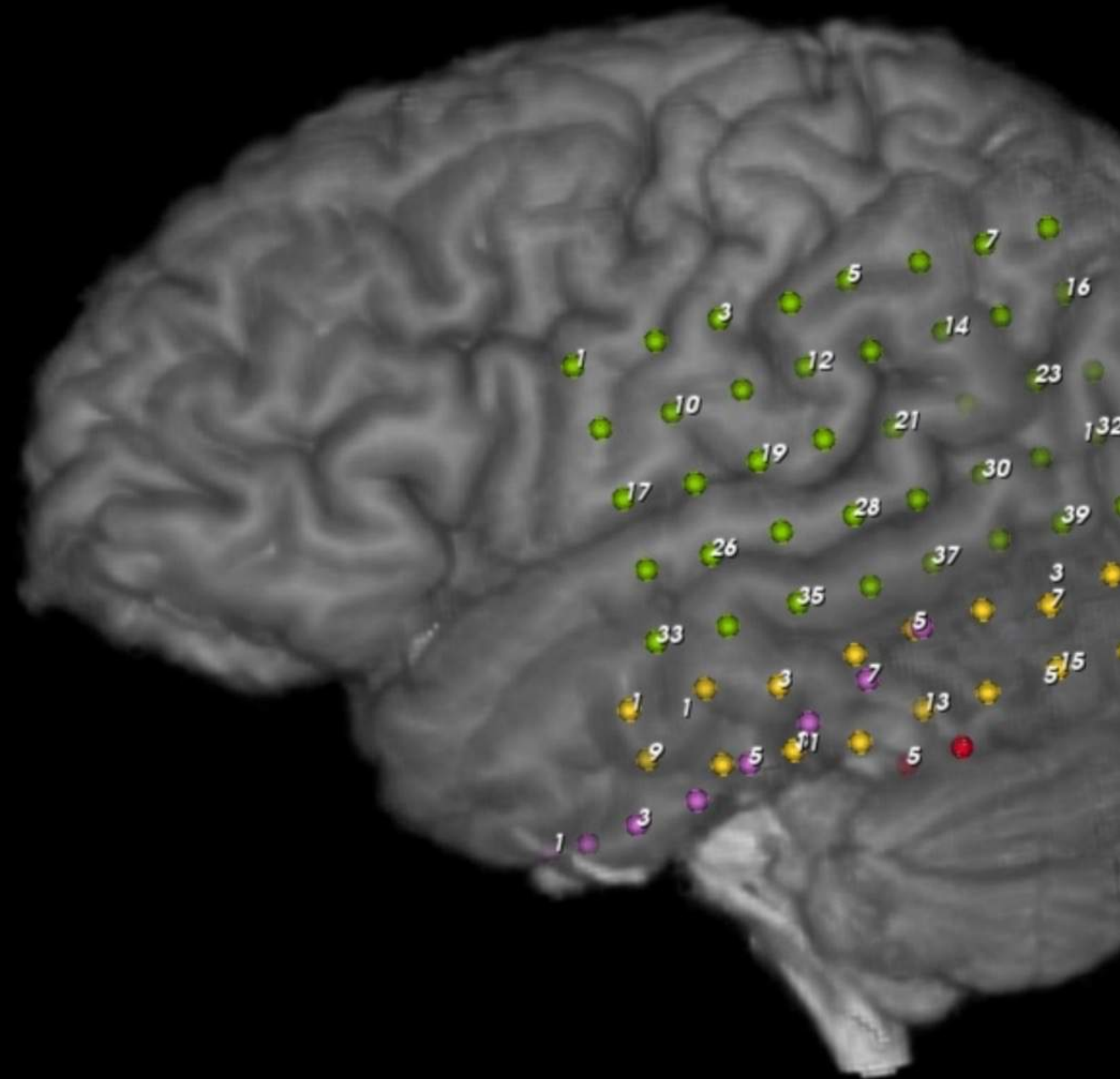


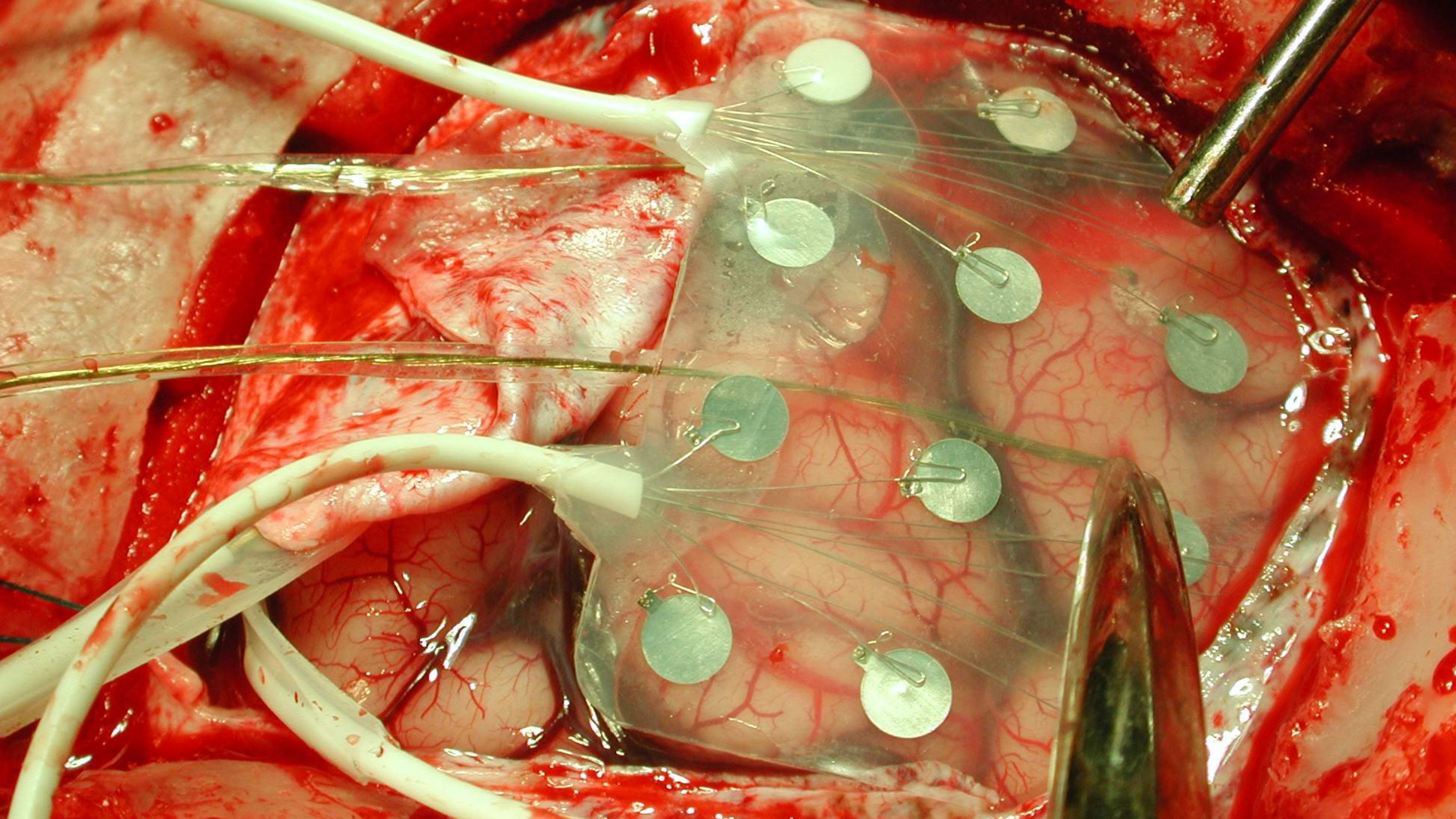


INVASIVE MONITORING

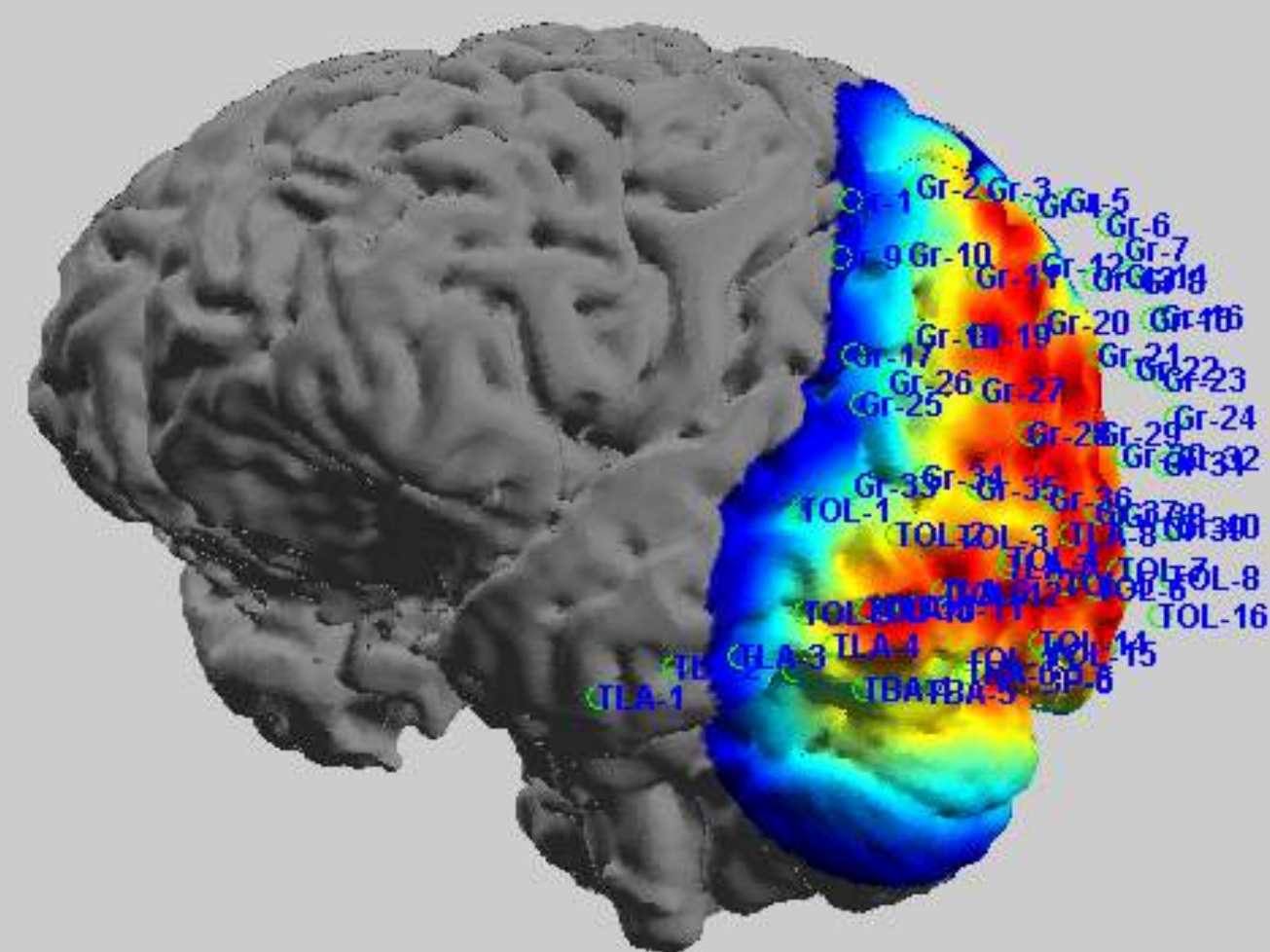
SUBDURAL ELECTRODES

LOCALIZATION OF ELECTRODES

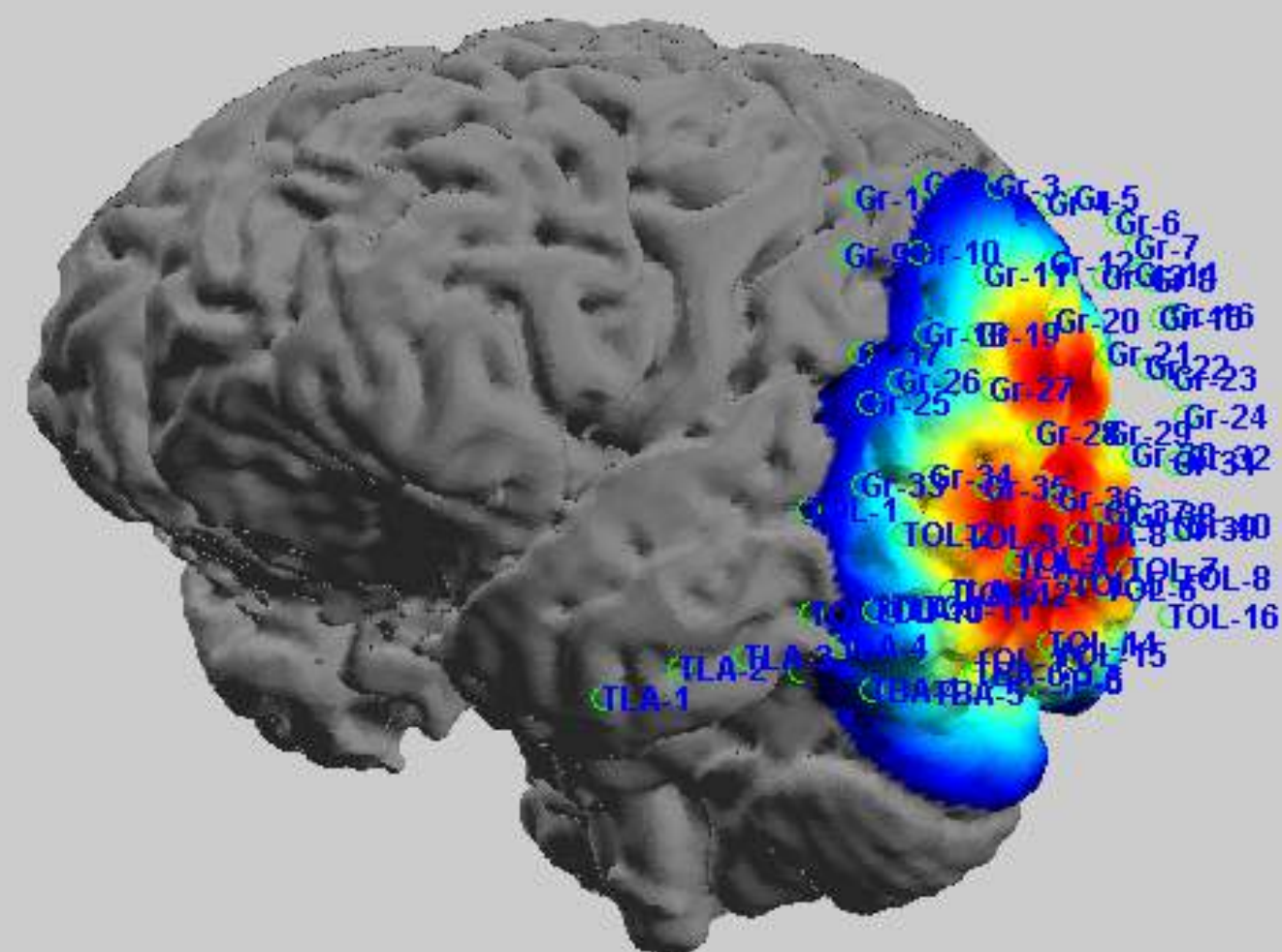




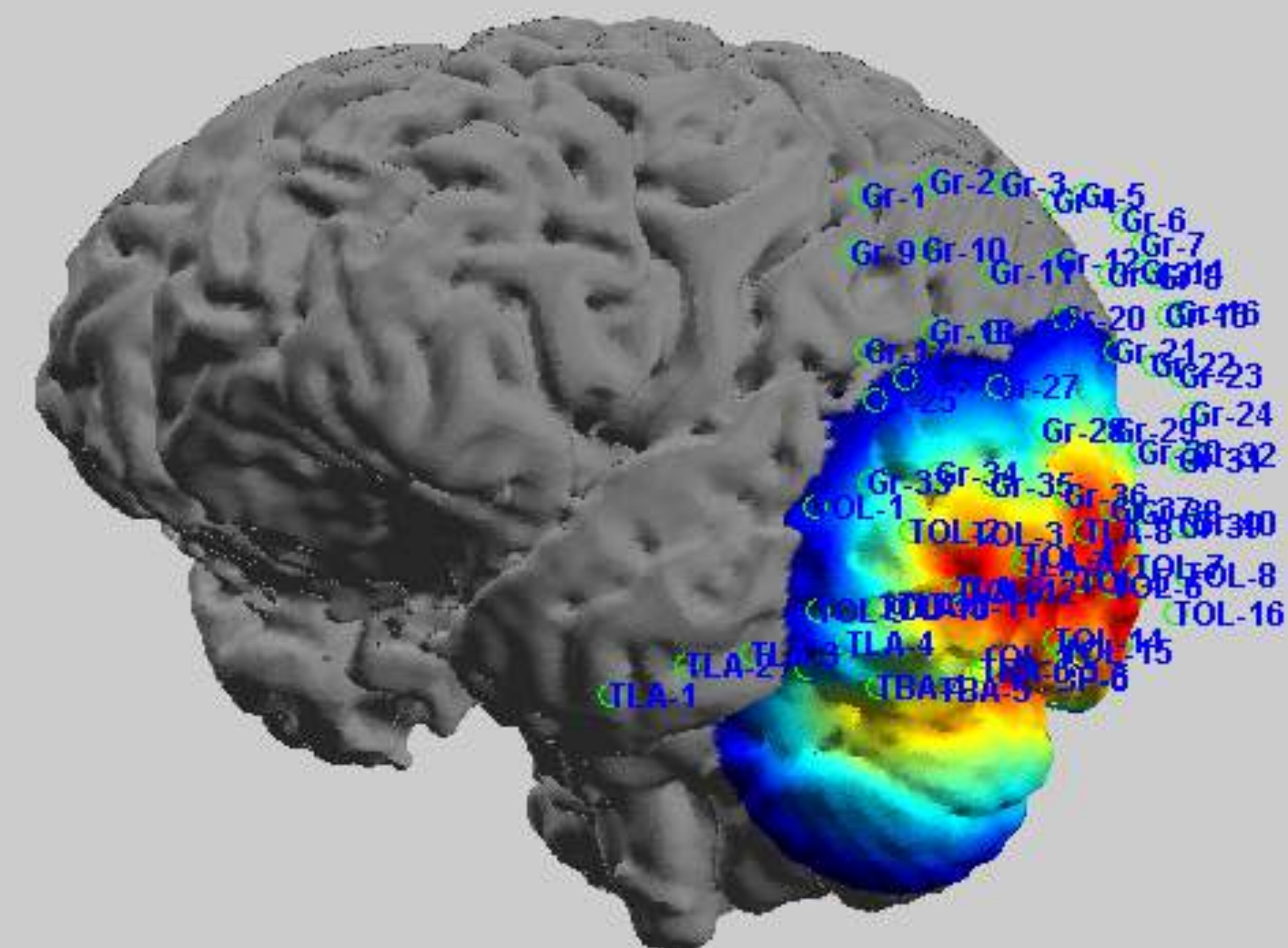
Spike map



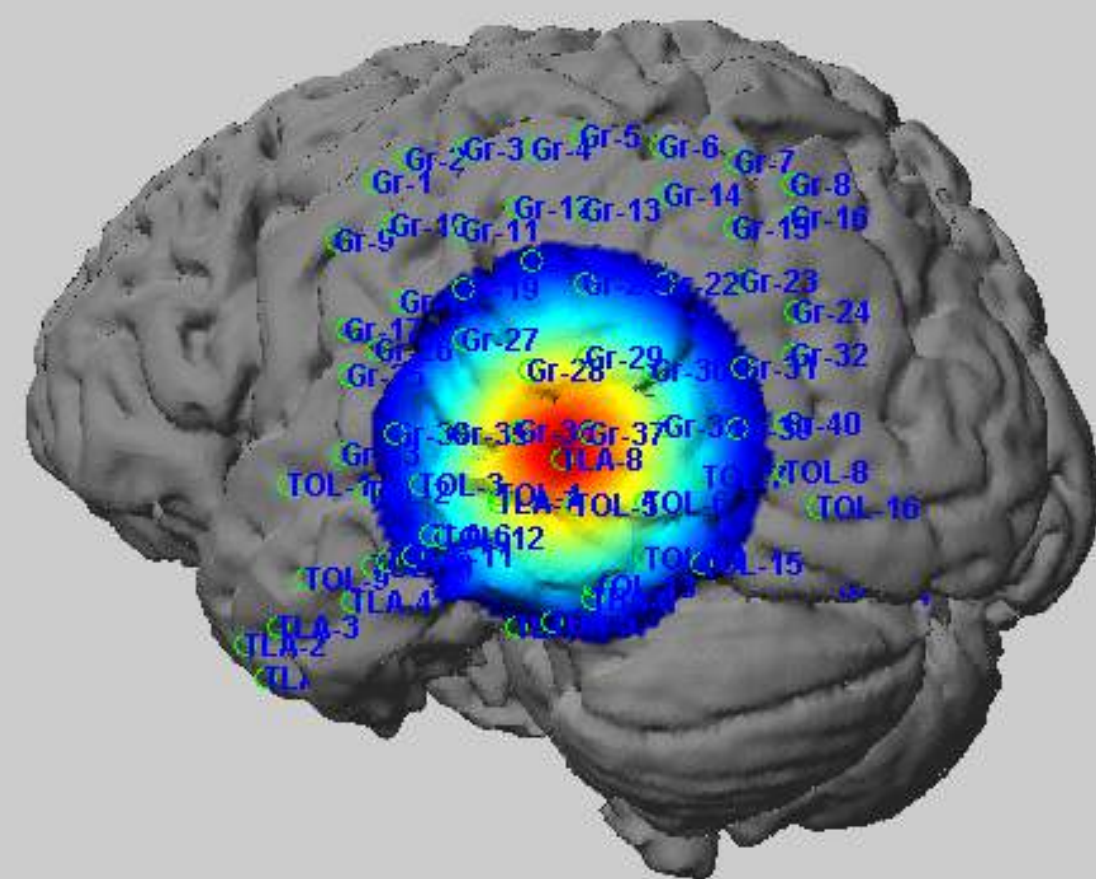
CCEP map



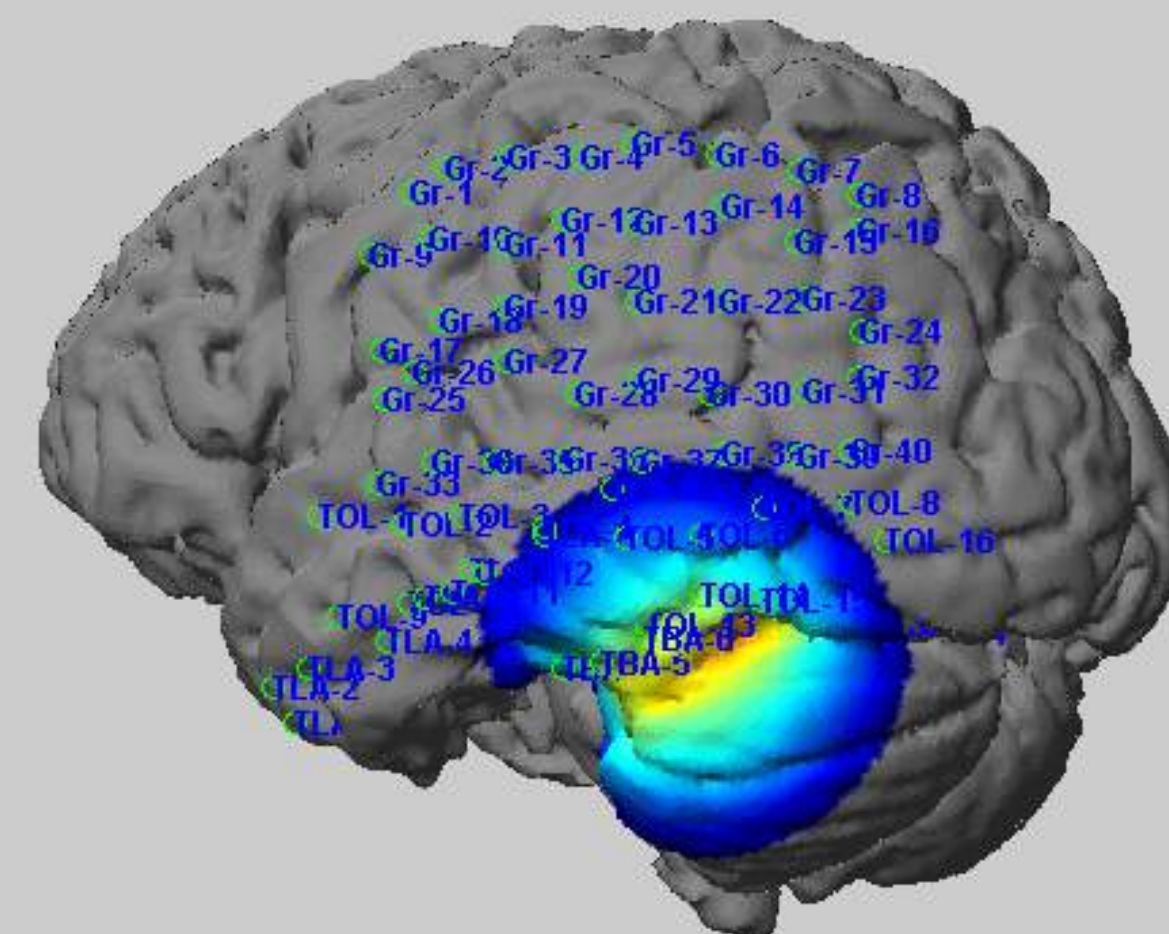
HFO map

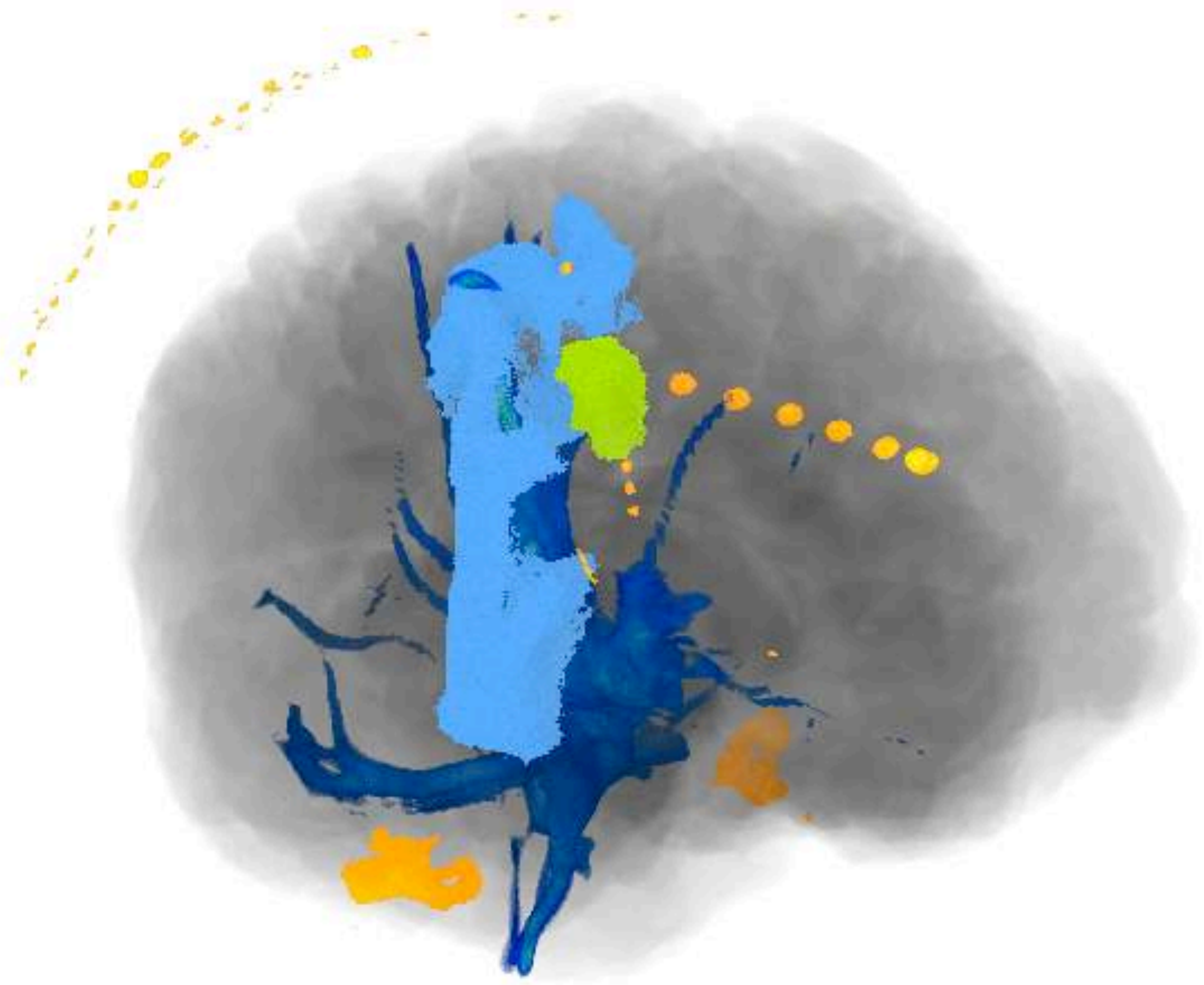


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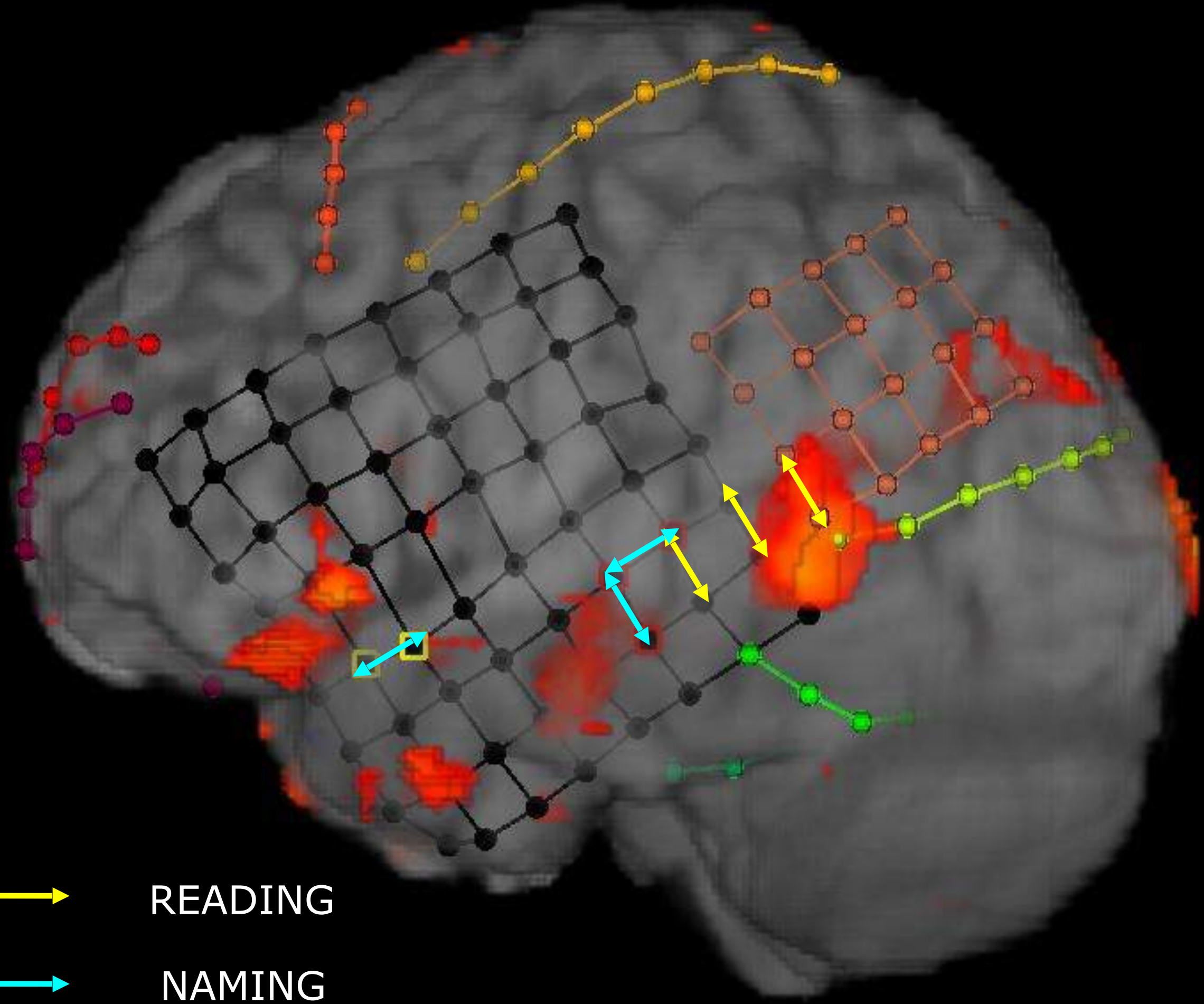
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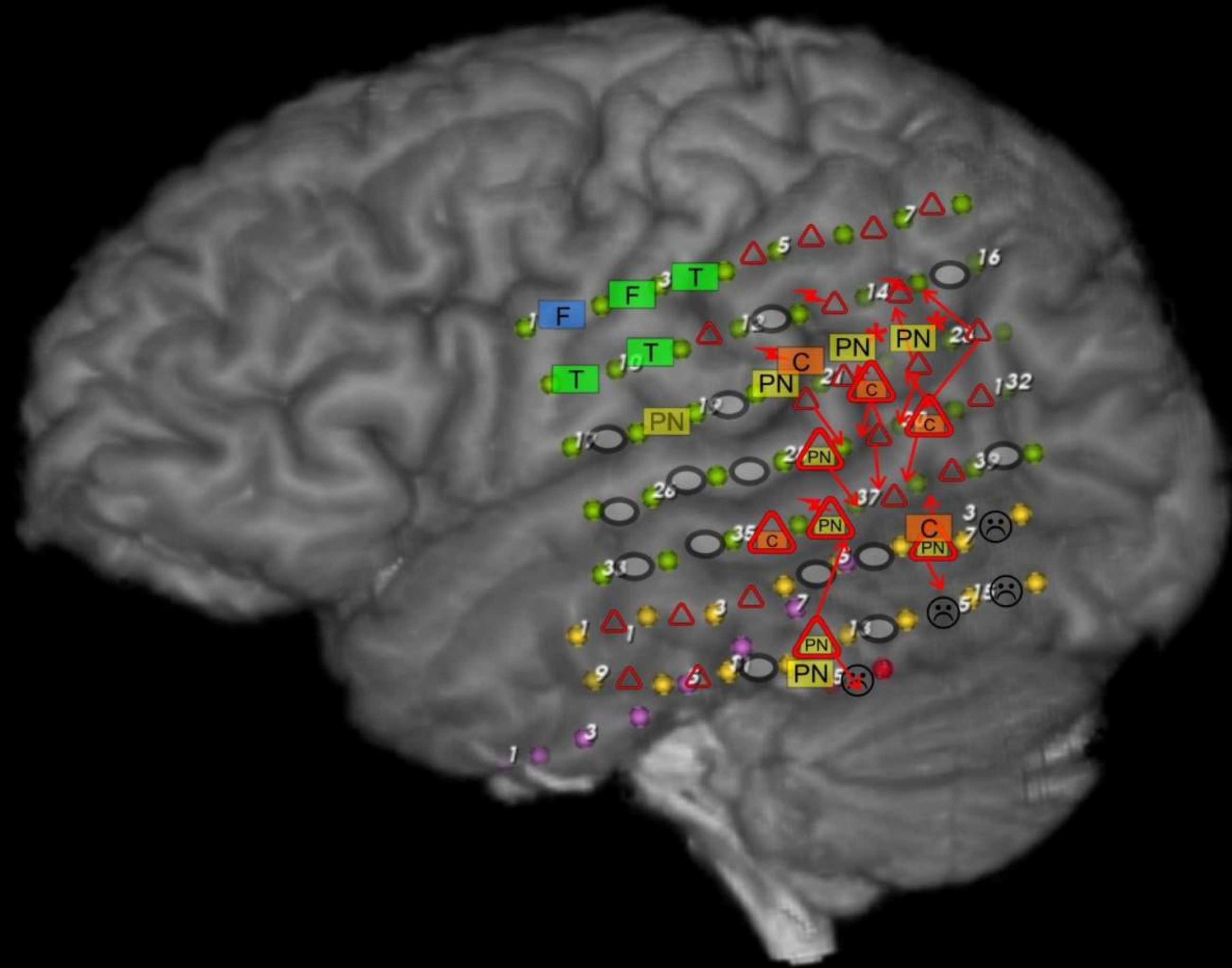
INTEGRATIVE APPROACH





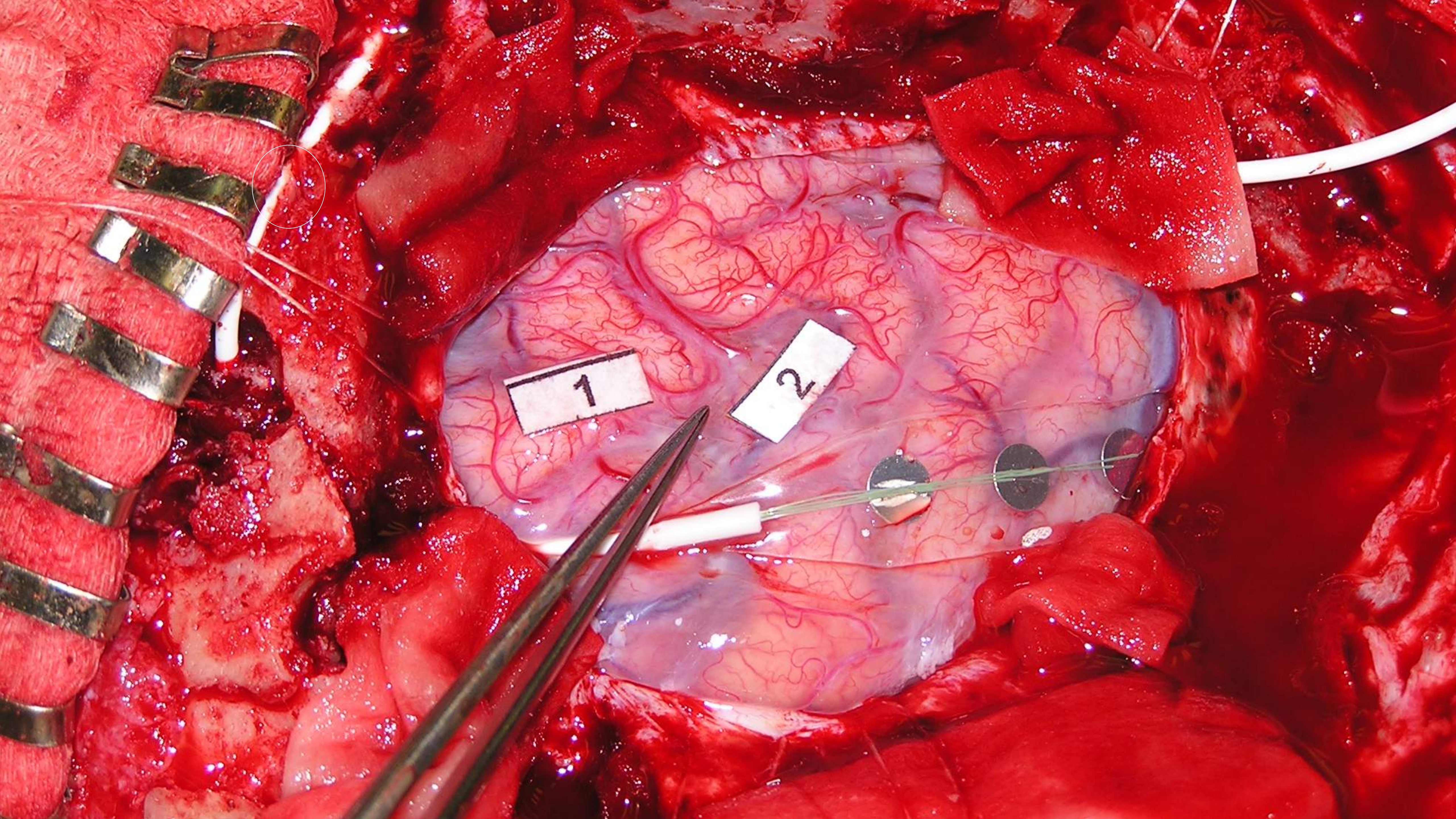
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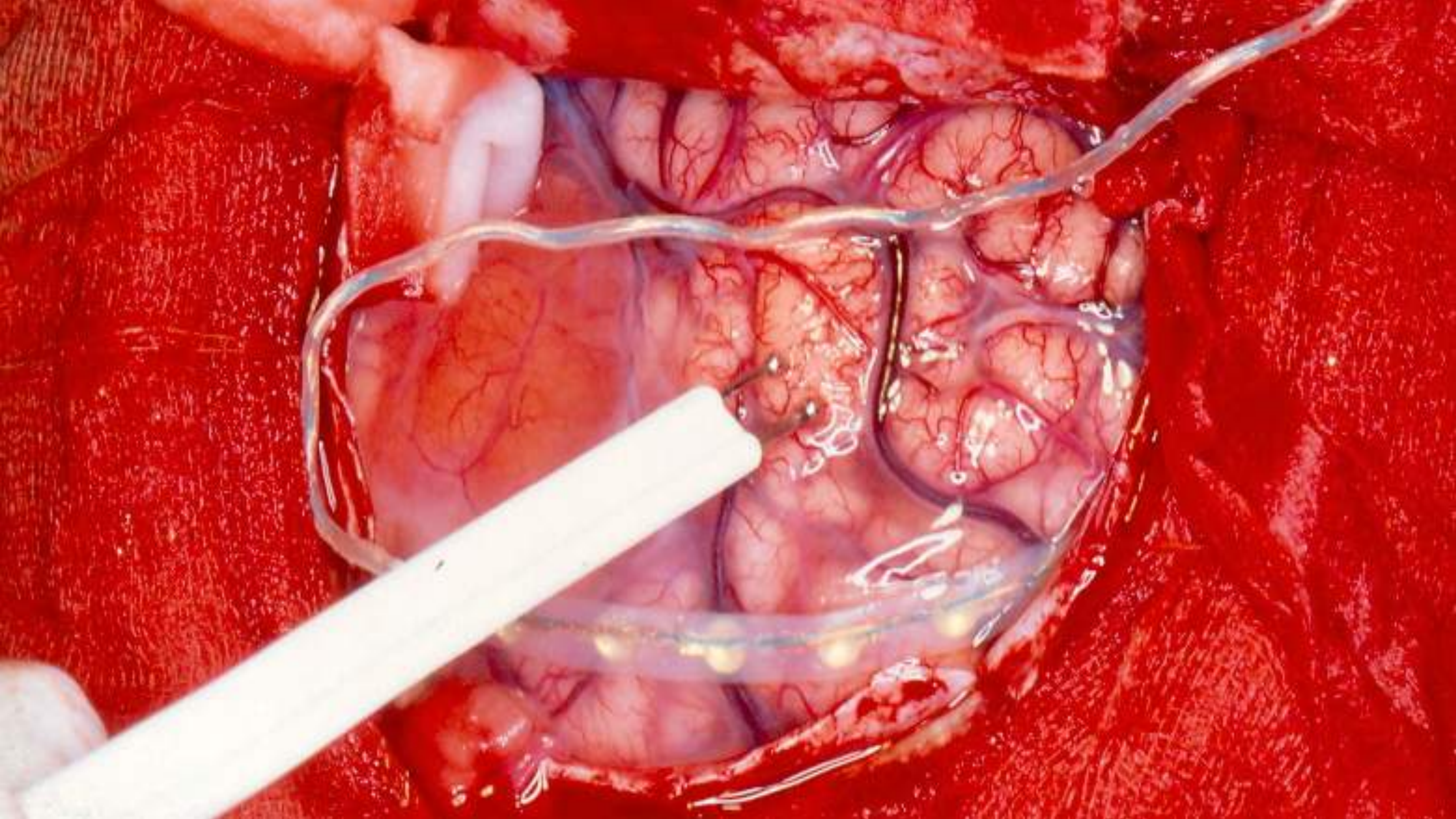
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INTRAOPERATIVE STIMULATION

