

Modalities of Non-Invasive Modulation of Brain Function and Modeling Electrical Dose

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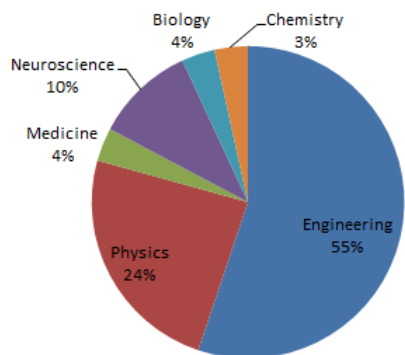
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development of new tools,
standards, and approaches to
assess the safety, efficacy,
quality, and performance of all
FDA regulated products

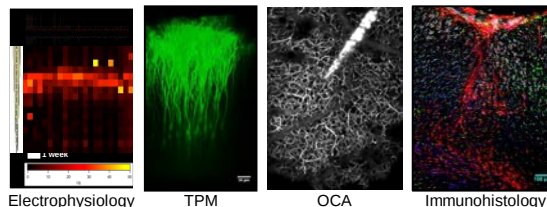
Who we are:

- 30 regulatory scientists
- 60 fellows, students, contractors

Field

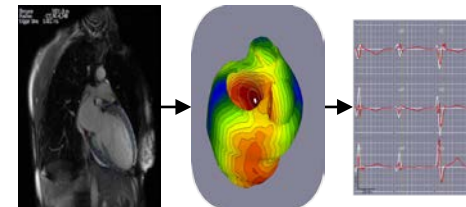


Biophysics



Neural implant reliability

Clinical ECG outcome models



Electromagnetics

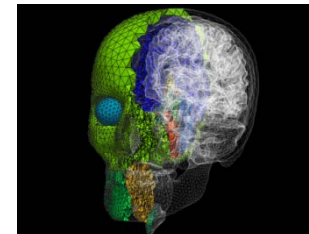
EMC, wireless coexistence



The Virtual Family

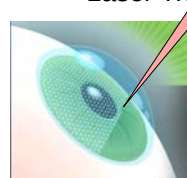


High resolution head model

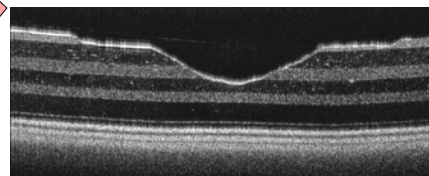


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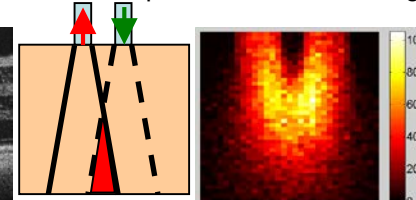
Laser Tx



Retina Phantom

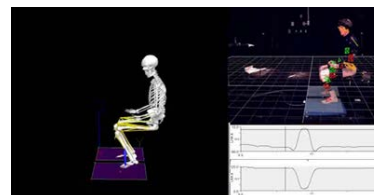


Optical-thermal modeling



Functional Performance & Device Use

Functional Models



Human Factors



Noninvasive Modulation of Brain Function

Possible Modalities

1. Electromagnetic

Transcranial DC

Transcranial AC

Magnetic Stimulation (low and high frequency)

2. Optical

Near IR

Channel Rhodopsin

3. Mechanical

Ultrasound

1. Transcranial DC, then and now

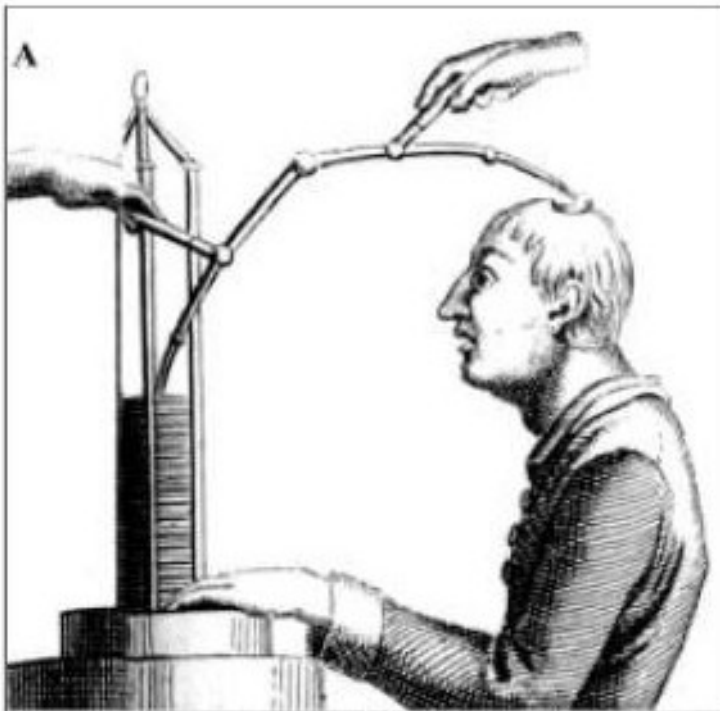
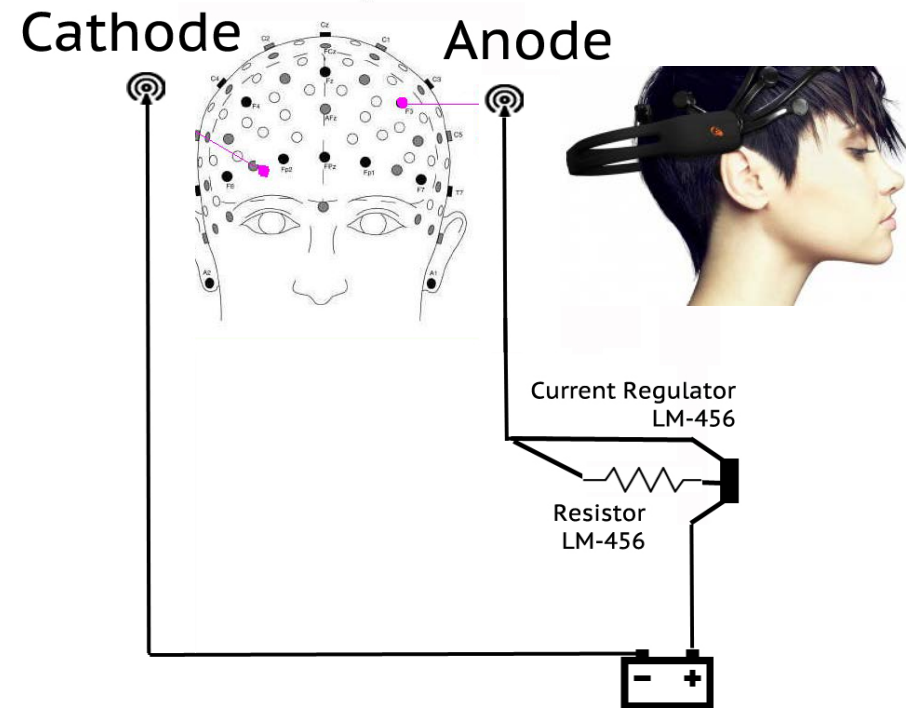


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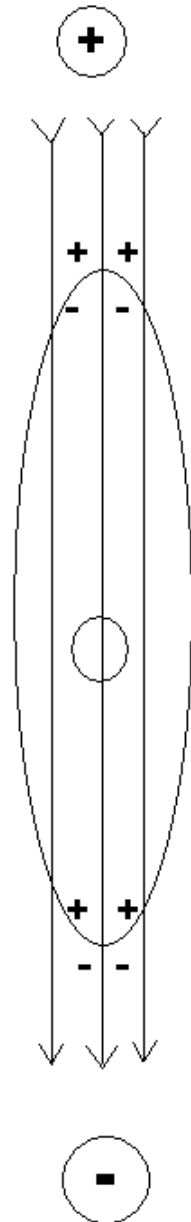


“DIY tDCS brain-boosting kit”

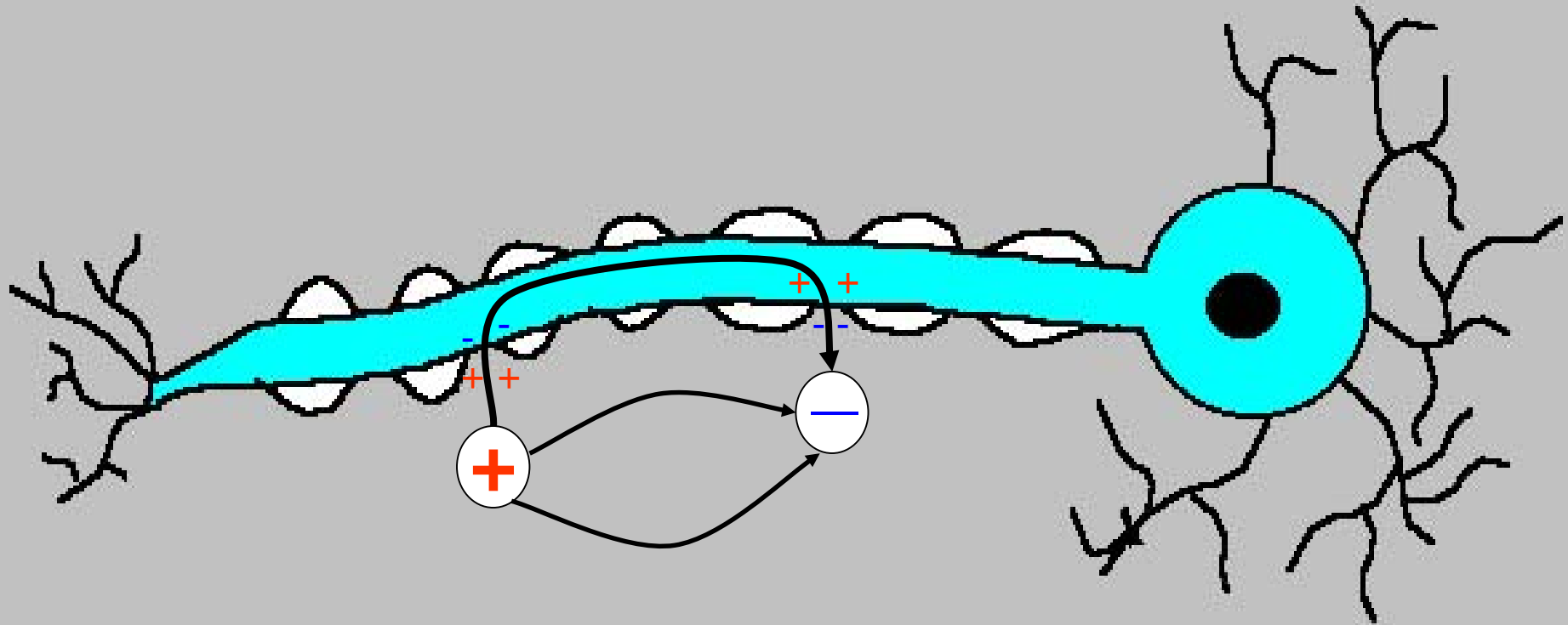
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Extracellular Current Polarizes Cells

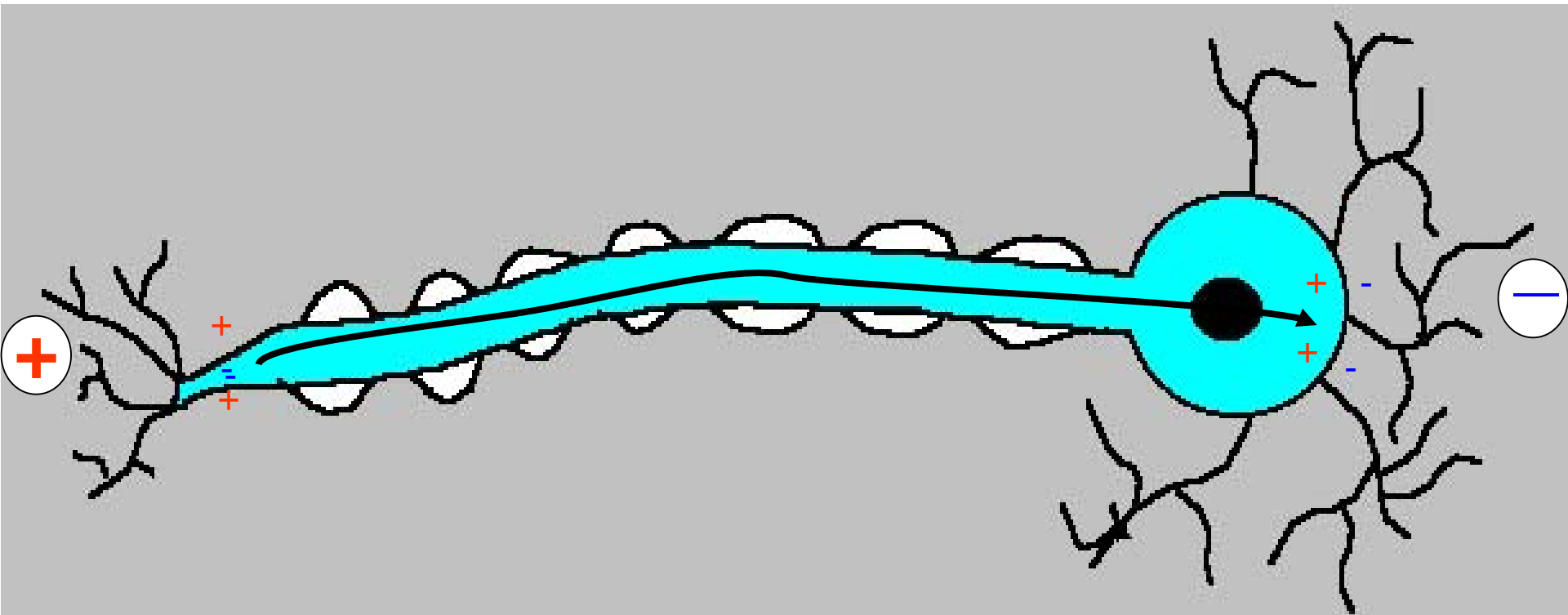
- Location of current
- Current polarizes cells at opposite ends.
- Longer cells are polarized more at their ends
- Cell alignment with direction of current flow gives maximum polarization
- Geometry and branching
- Waveform
- Cell electrophysiology
- Models are useful in predicting



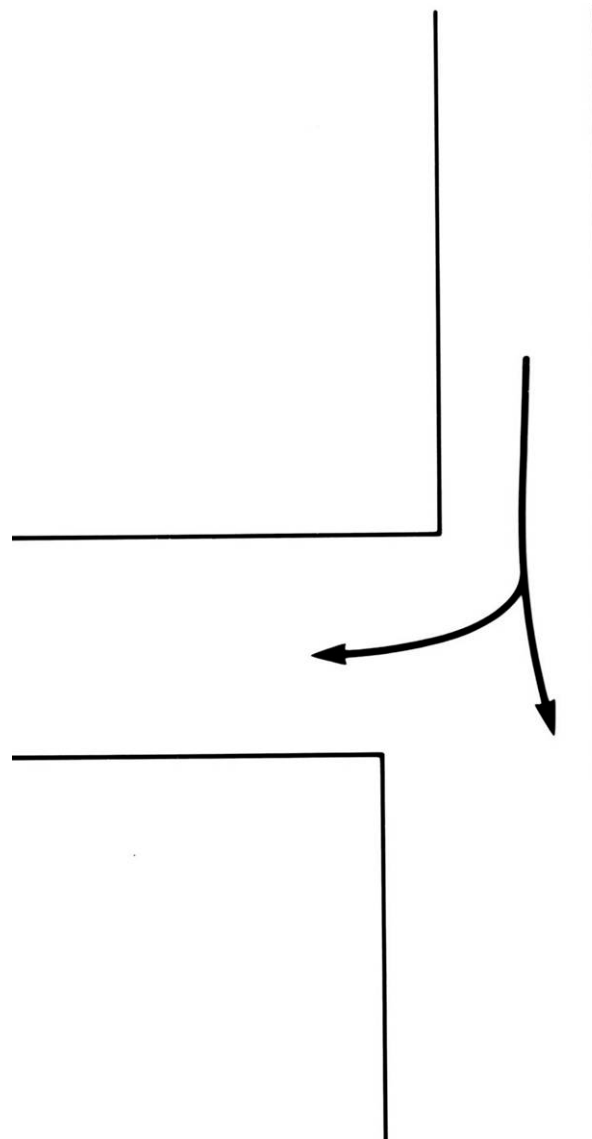
Local Nerve Stimulation



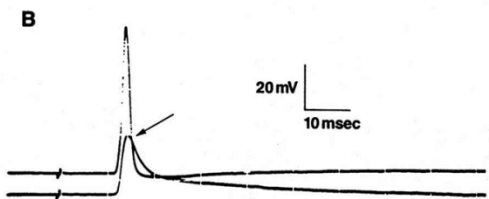
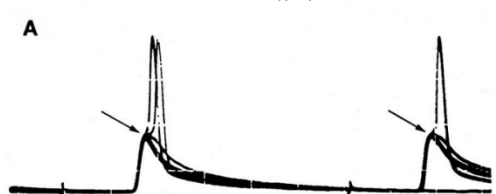
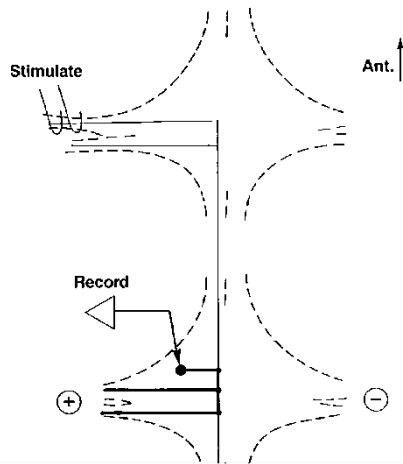
Electric Field Stimulation



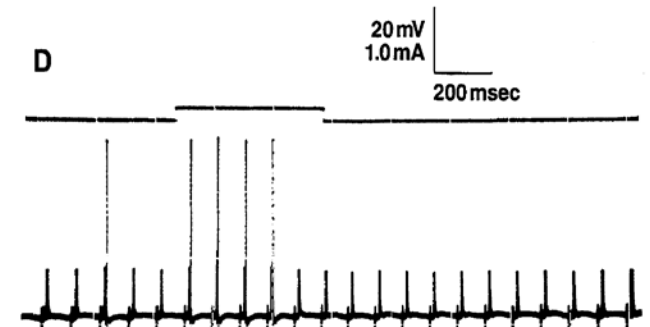
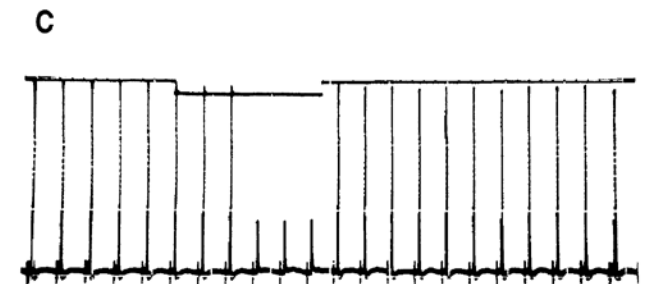
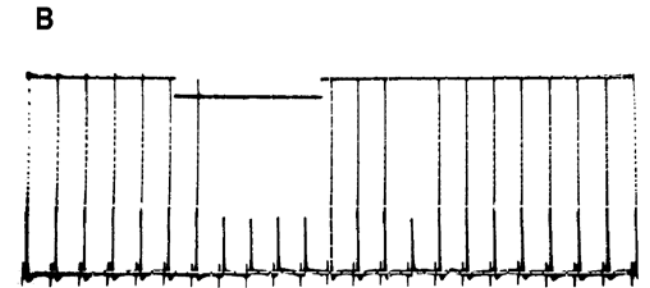
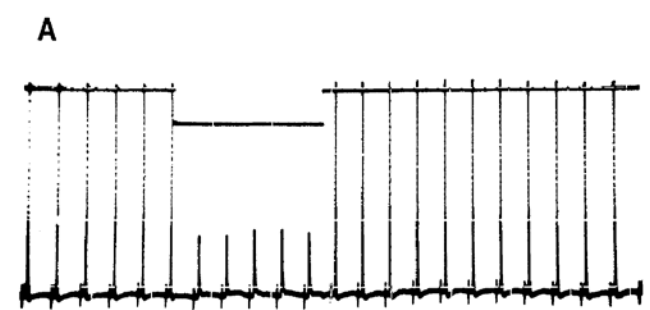
Modulation at Branch Point Failure Site



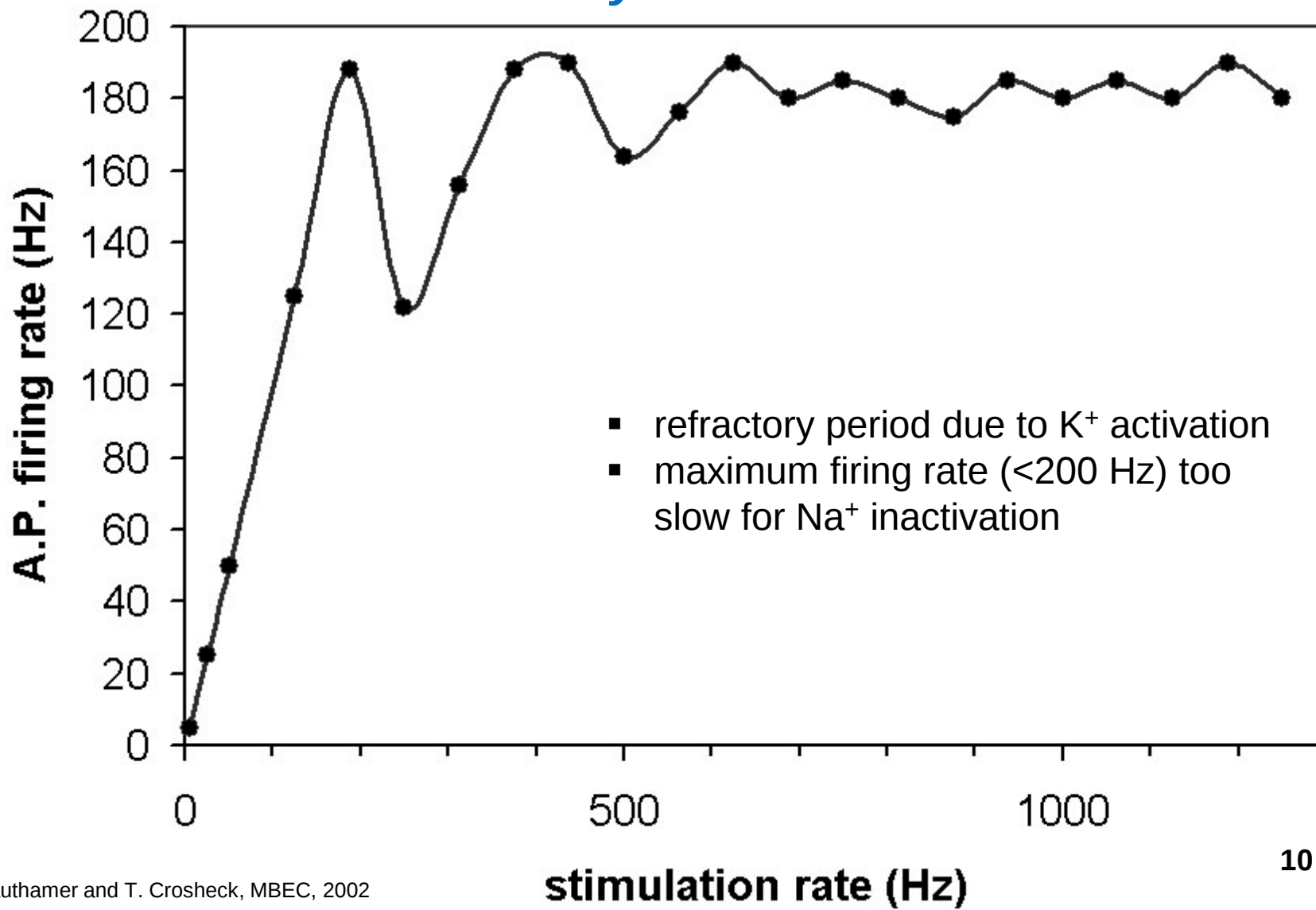
DC Blocks or Relieves Block



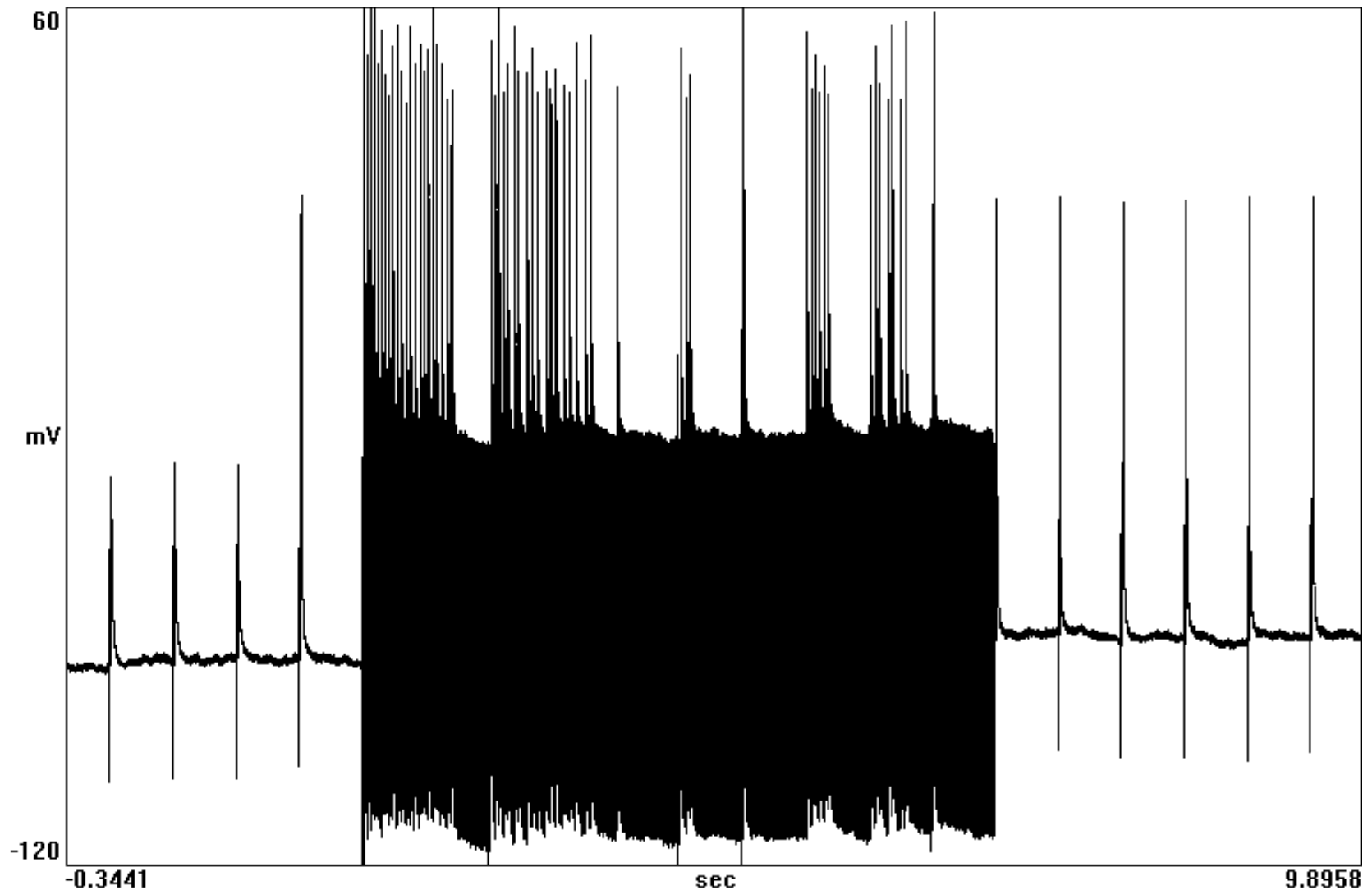
63 mV/cm is
minimum field for
producing block



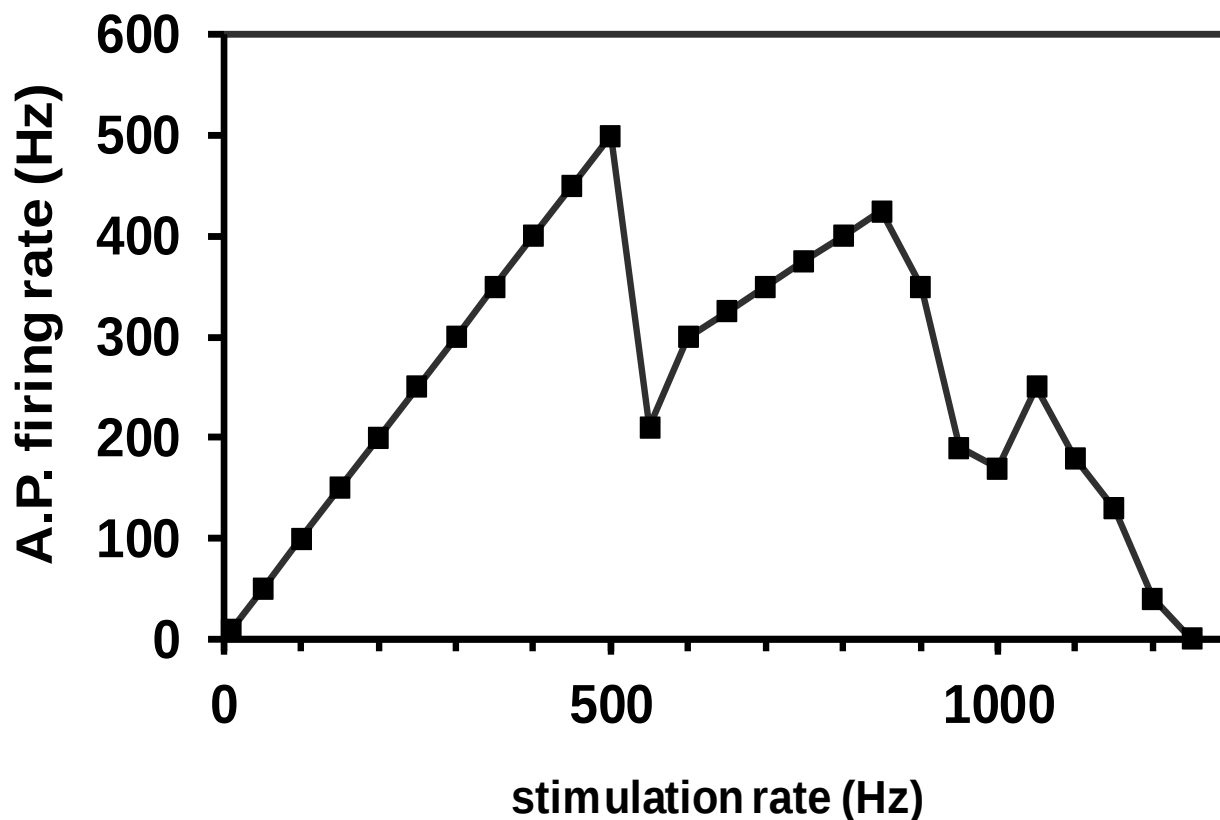
AC I/O for Unmyelinated Cell Model



High Frequency Firing in Unmyelinated Cell

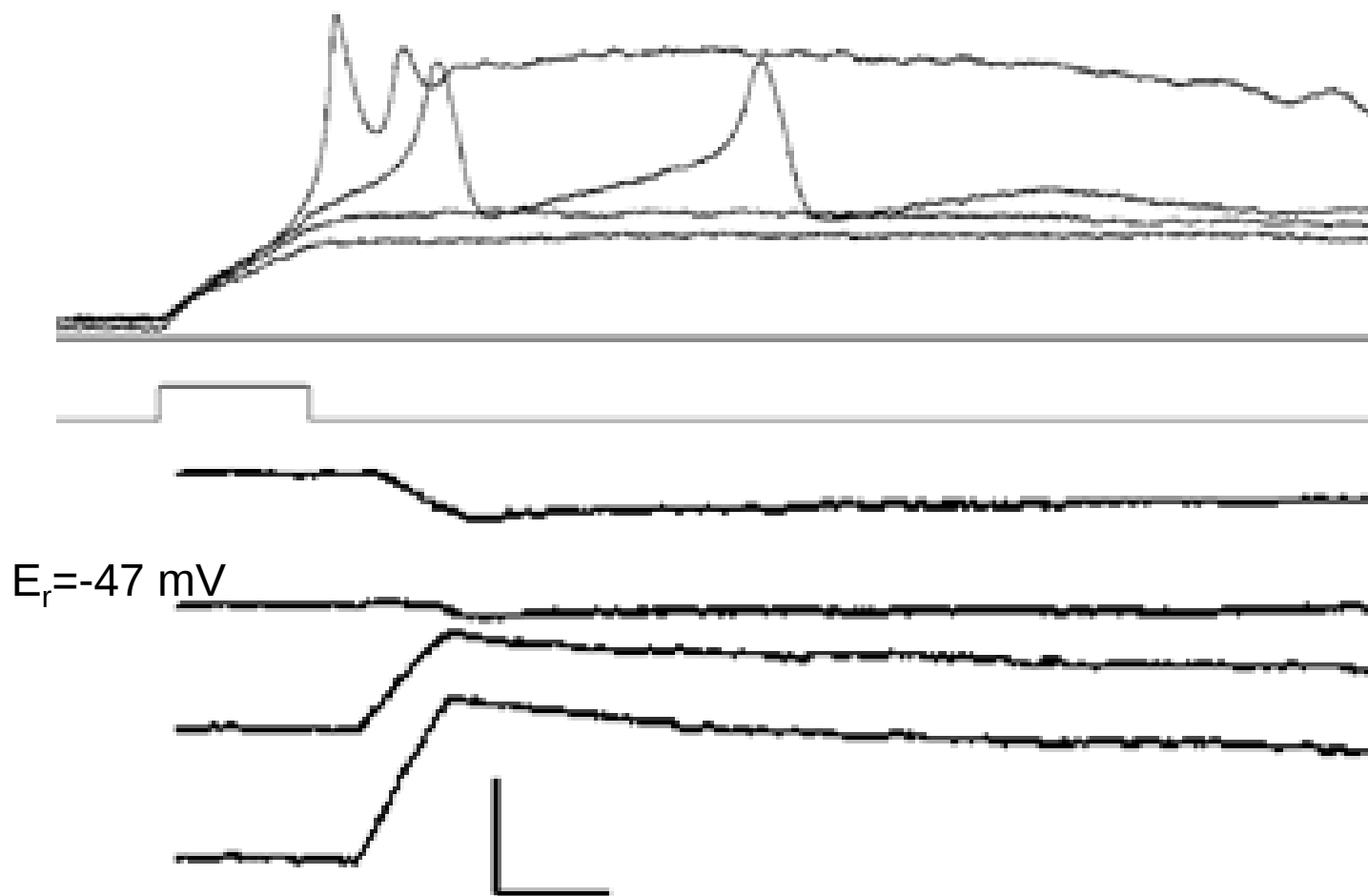


AC I/O for Myelinated Fiber Model – High Frequency Block

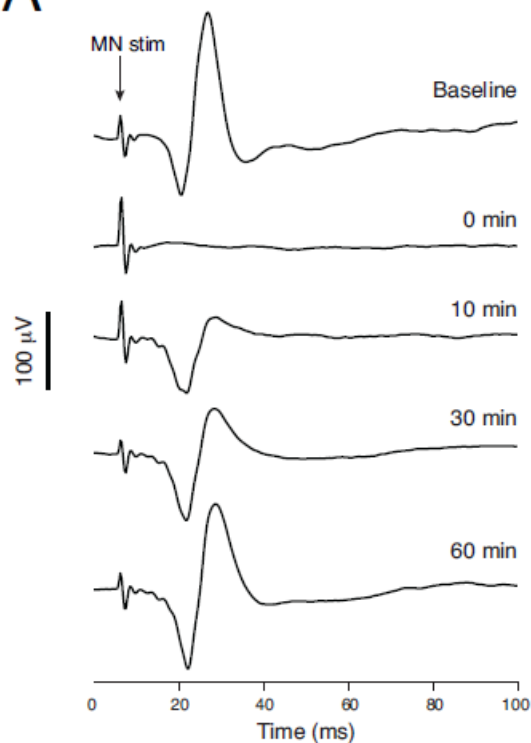


- refractory period due to Na^+ inactivation
- maximum firing rate (~500 Hz) causes Na^+ inactivation and refractoriness

2. Light: NIR (1889nm) on DRG Cells



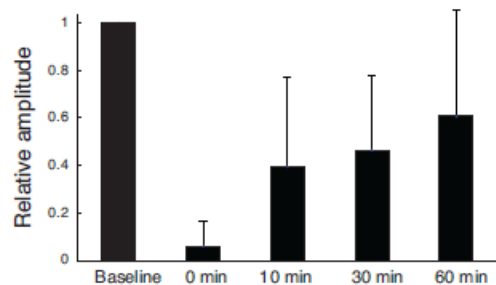
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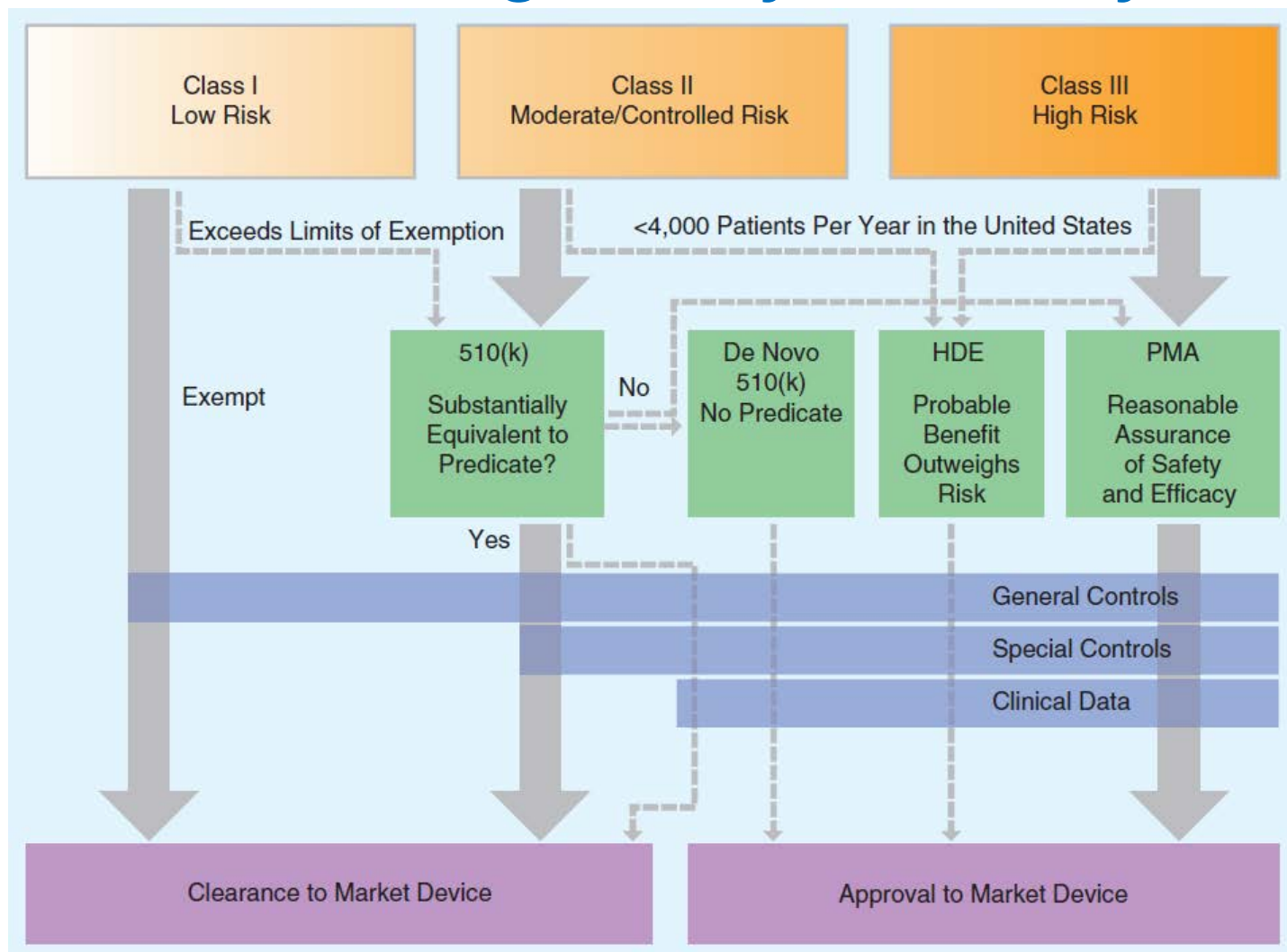
3. Ultrasound Alters Evoked Potentials

Somatosensory evoked potentials recorded from epidural cortical electrodes following HIFU. SSEP amplitude drops following application.

B



CDRH Regulatory Pathways



Models Used for Assurance of Device Safety and Effectiveness

	Human Trial	Animal Model	In Vitro Model (phantom)	Computer Model
cost	very high	moderate	low	low (after development)
time	long	moderate	short	short
ability to vary parameters	not easy	limited	limited	high (good learning tool)
testing involving harm	no, unethical	restricted	yes	yes
simplifying assumptions	none	none	many and always	always (limiting)
relevance	direct	variable (species)	limited	variable (depends on validation)
testing of disease state	yes	difficult	simplified states	yes
experimental control	difficult	good	high	high
interpretation of data and ability to predict	not easy	yes	limited	Yes – can predict device and drug interactions



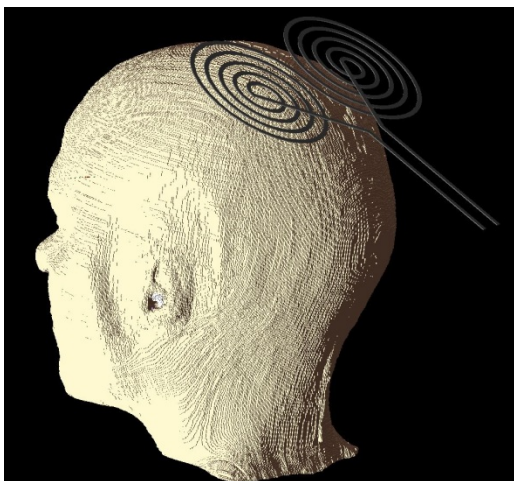
Modeling exposure of different brain locations to electric fields

Modeling electric field in the brain

- “Macroscopic” modeling (Organ level)
 - External source (e.g., TMS, tDCS, tACS)
 - Anatomical precision
 - Electrical properties of brain & anisotropy
- “Microscopic” level (Neuronal response)
 - What is the physiological response associated to a given electric field?
- Model Validation
- Regulatory Science: the “MIDA” model

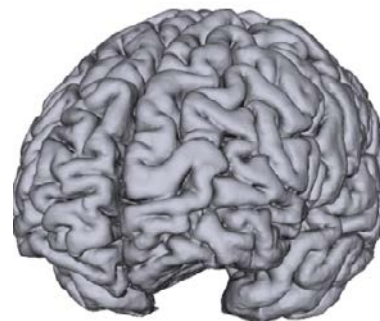
Macroscopic modeling

External
source
(TMS)

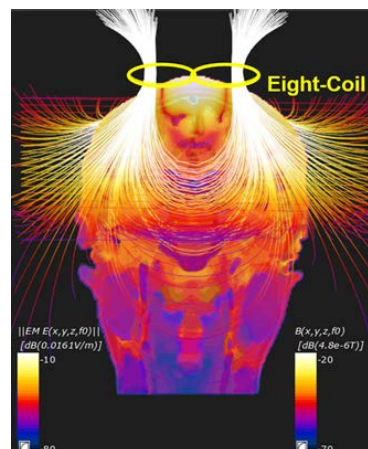
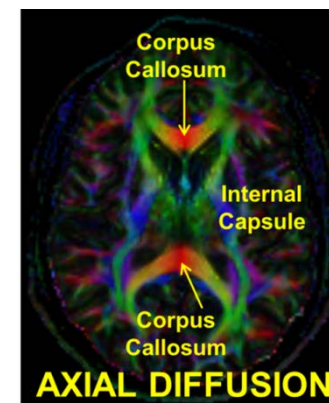


Electrical
properties of
brain (gray
vs. white
matter,
anisotropy)

Brain GM



Brain WM



Anatomical precision:
where is the electric field?

Electric field and source configuration

CONVENTIONAL EAR-CLIP (Montage 1)



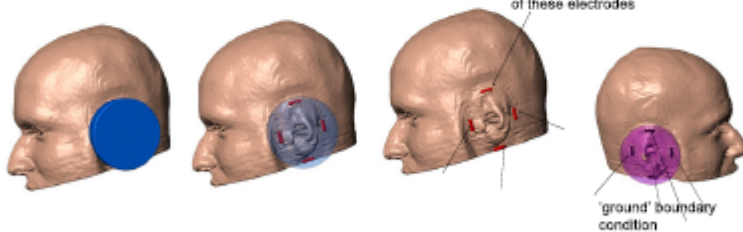
IN EAR
DC: Montage 2
150 Hz: Montage 3



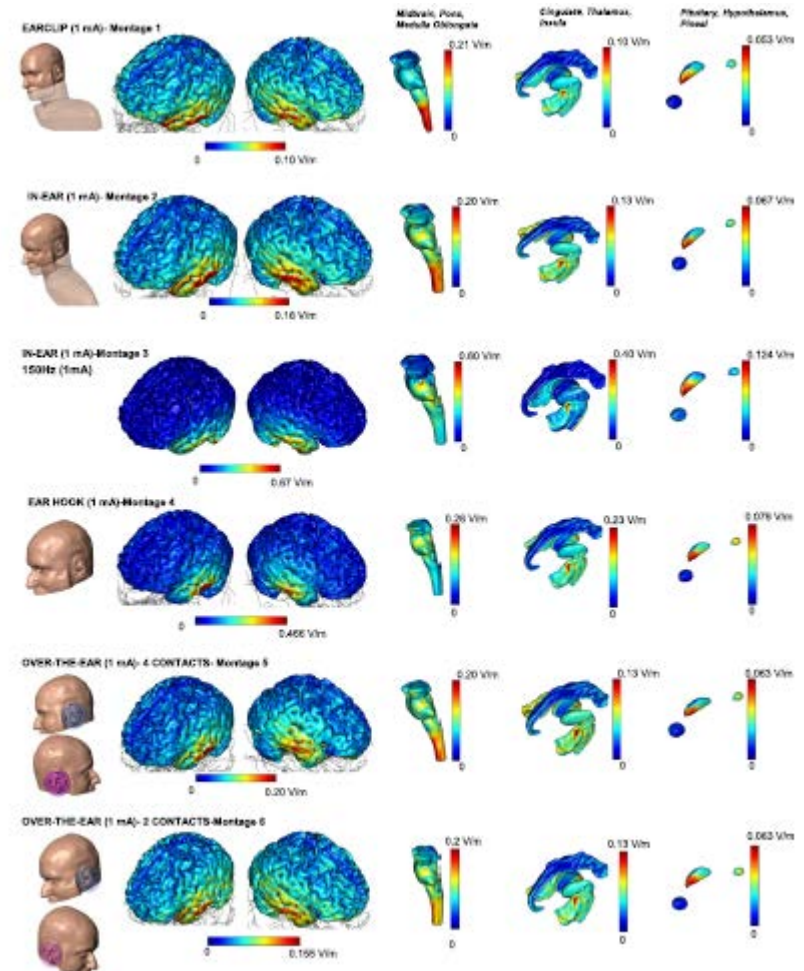
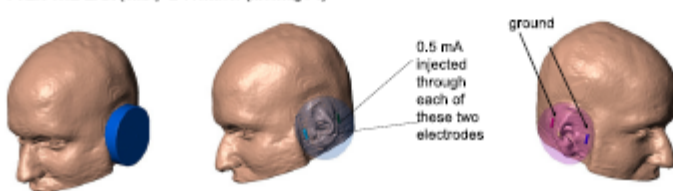
EAR-HOOK (Montage 4)



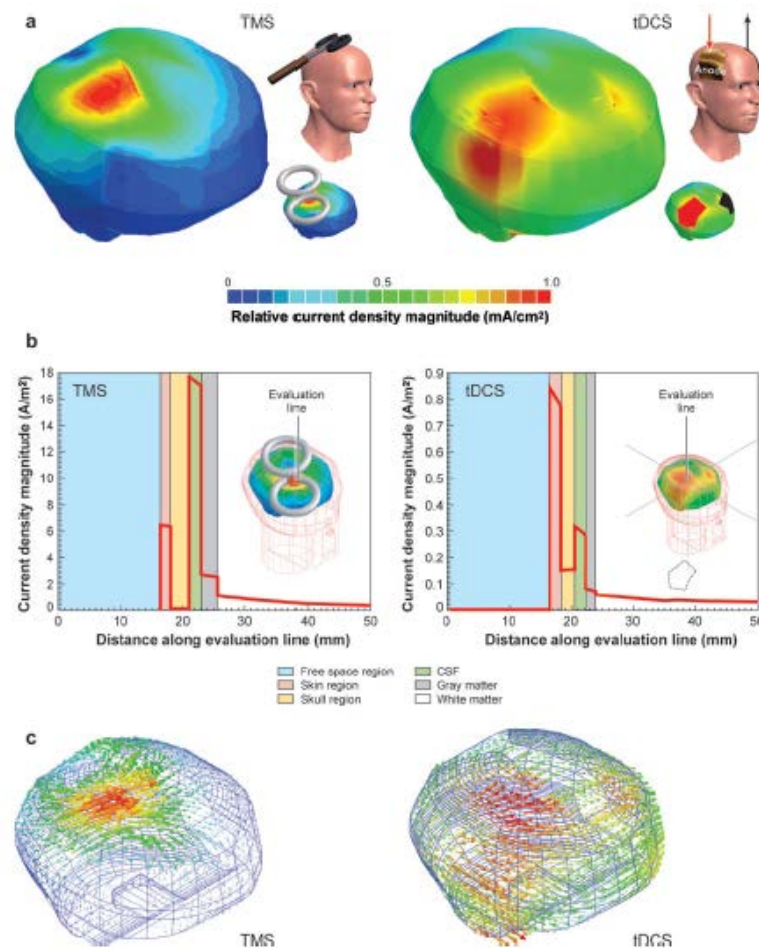
OVER-THE-EAR (1mA)- 4 contacts (Montage 5)



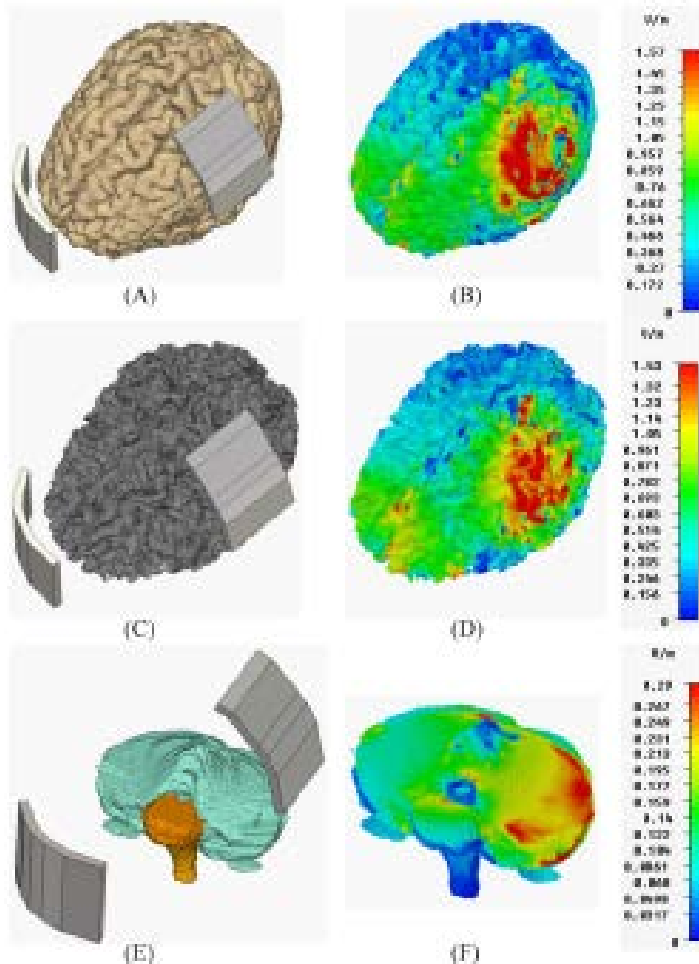
OVER-THE-EAR (1mA)- 2 contacts (Montage 6)



Electric field and technology (e.g., TMS vs. tDCS)



Computational modeling in support of clinical studies

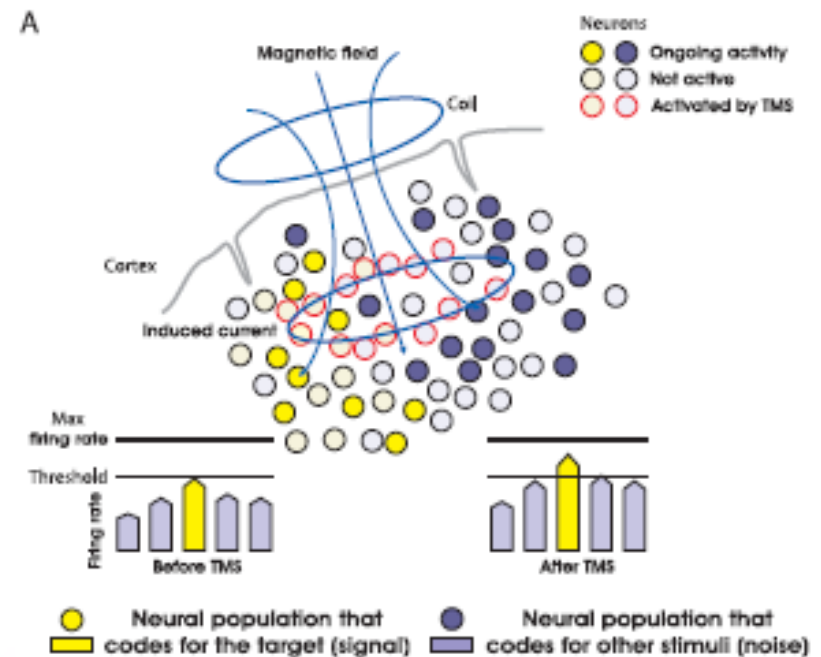
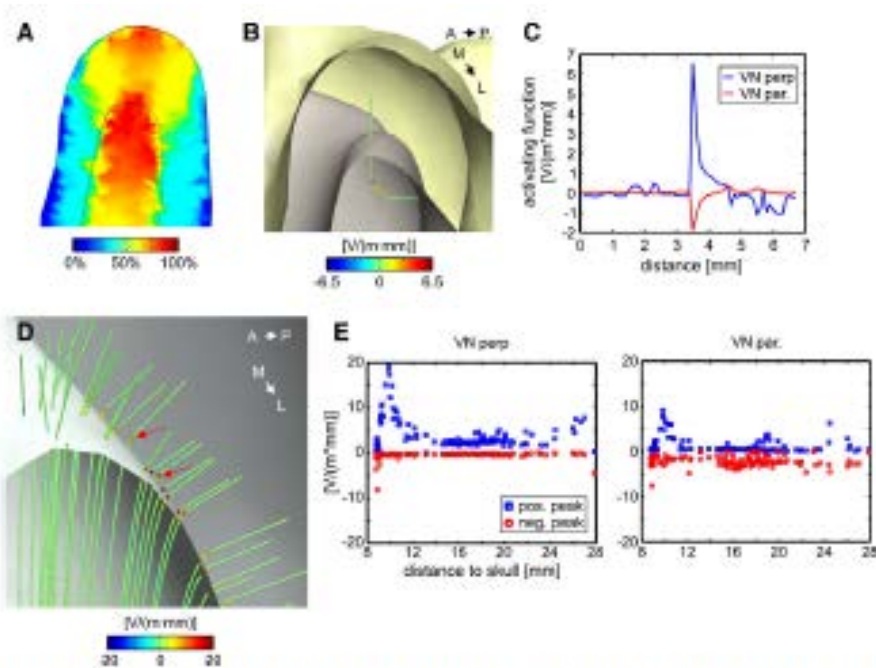


Improving ideomotor limb apraxia by electrical stimulation of the left posterior parietal cortex

Nadia Bolognini,^{1,2} Silvia Convento,¹ Elisabetta Banco,^{2,3} Flavia Mattioli,⁴ Luigi Tesio^{3,5} and Giuseppe Vallar^{1,2}

- Clinical and technological “pull & push”
- Modeling can help to understand underlying mechanisms

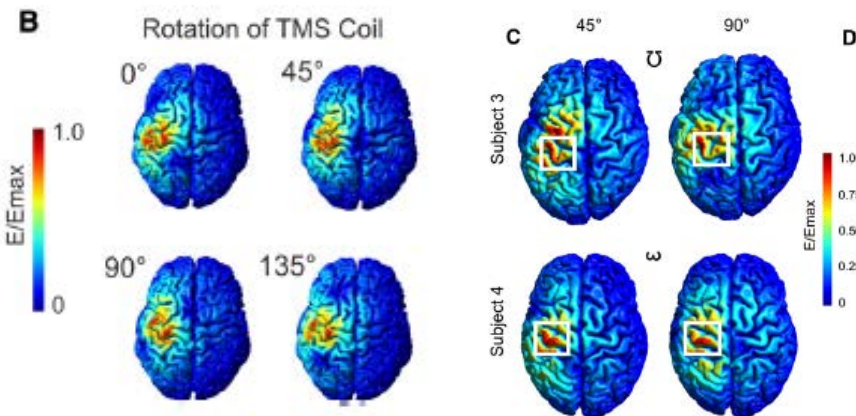
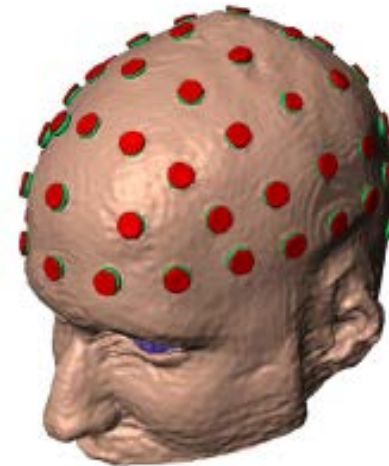
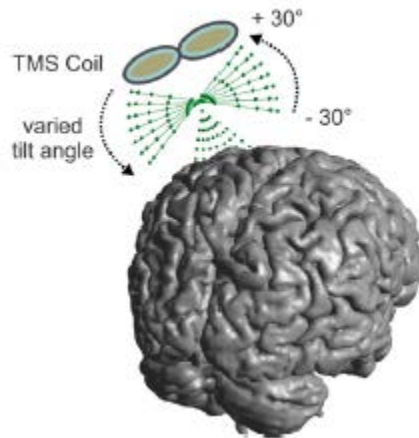
From Macroscopic to Neuronal response



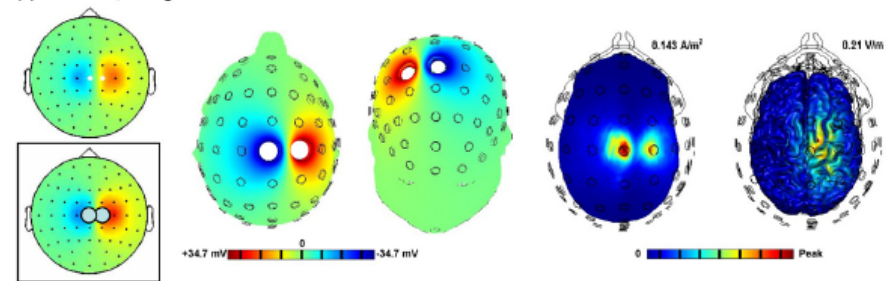
A. Opitz et al., NeuroImage 58 (2011) 849–859

C. Miniussi et al. / Neuroscience and Biobehavioral Reviews 37 (2013) 1702–1712

Model validation



(a) C2 = 1 mA; Cz = gnd



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A. Datta et al. J. Neural Eng. 10 (2013) 036018

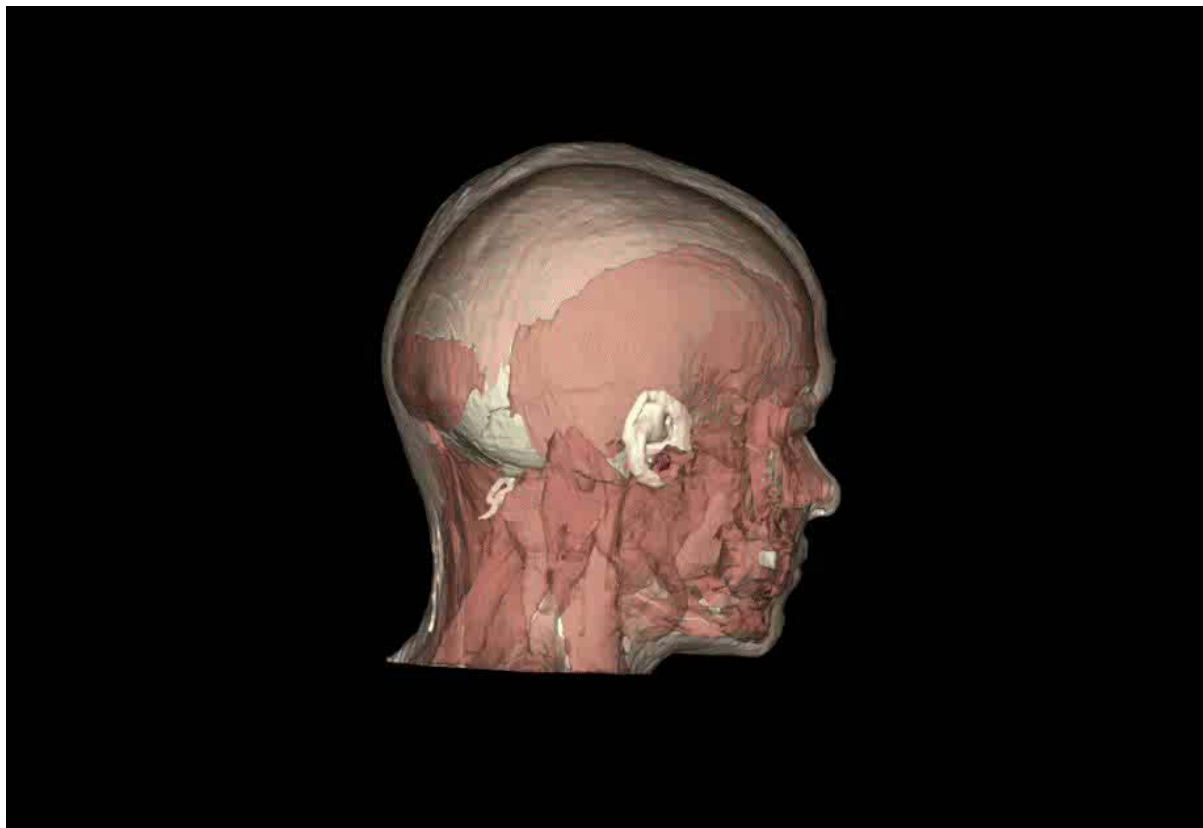
Modeling electric field in the brain: Regulatory Science

MIDA: A Multimodal Imaging-based Detailed model of the Anatomy of the human head and neck.

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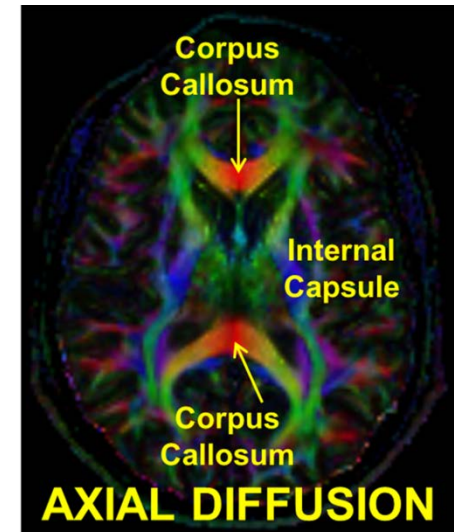
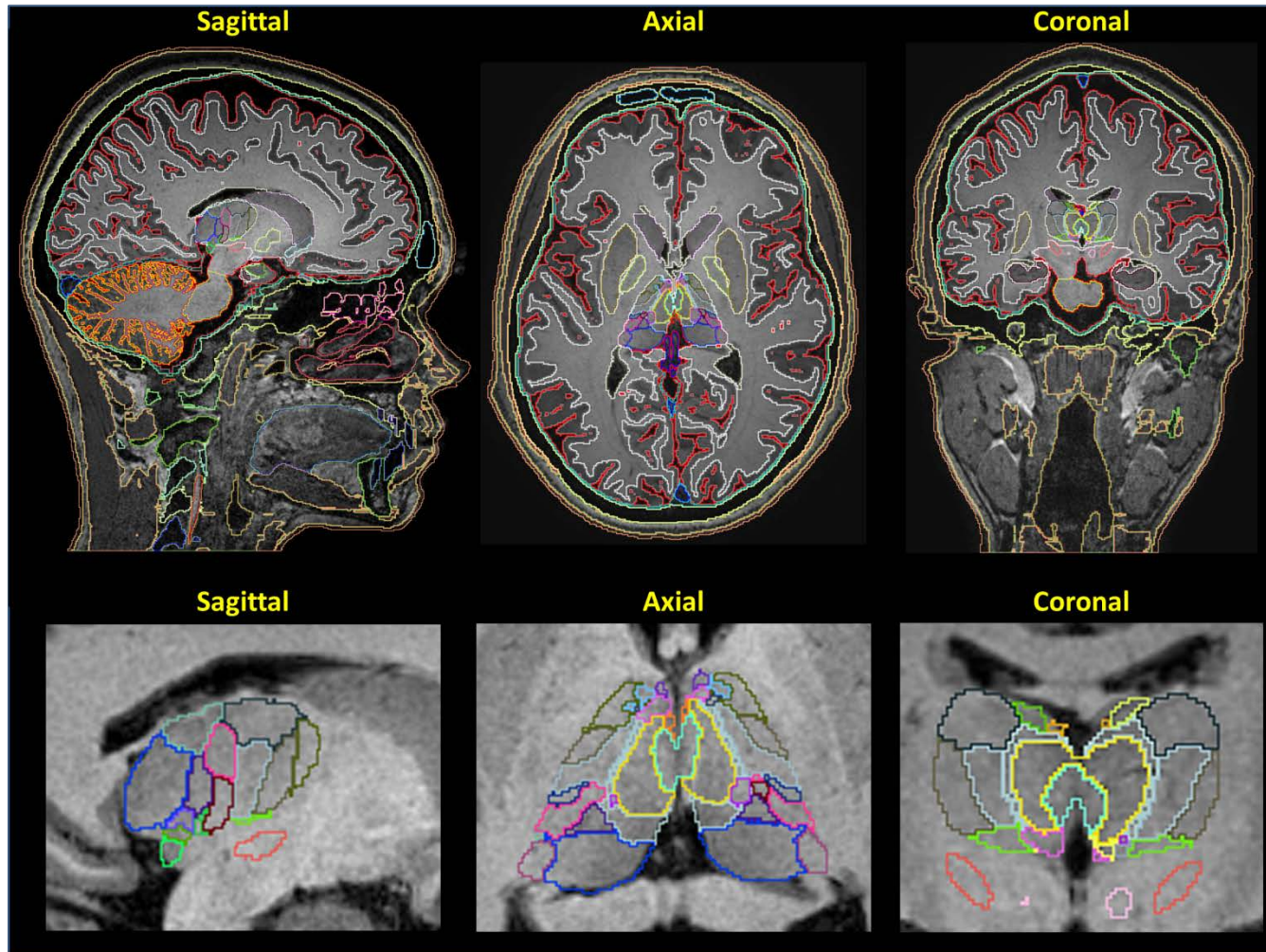
Model of human head and
neck freely available for the
scientific community

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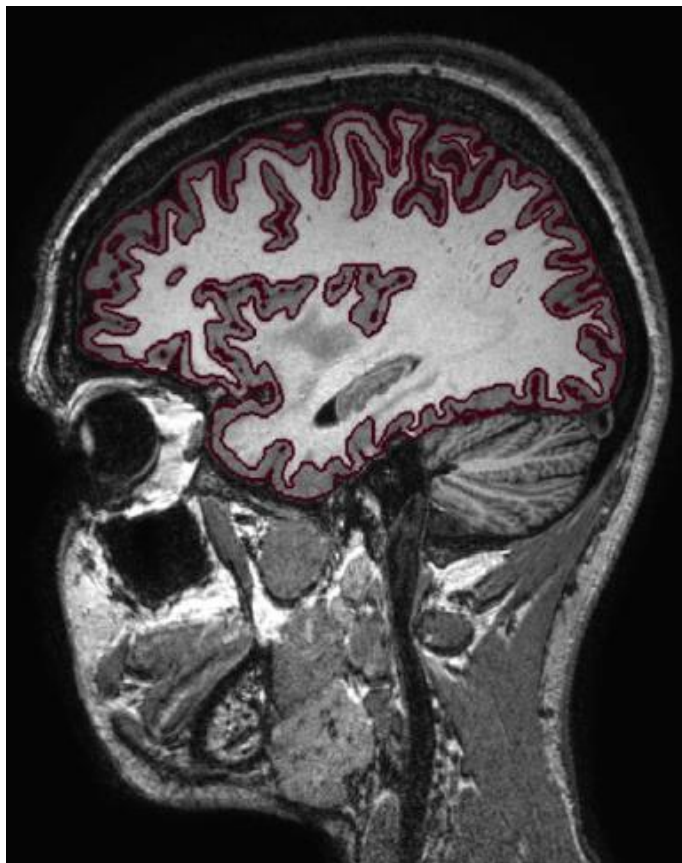


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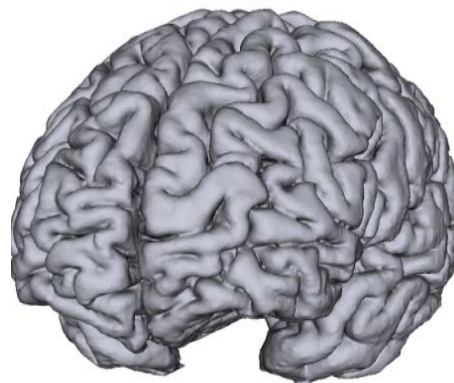
Modeling the human head: the MIDA model



Gray Matter and White Matter



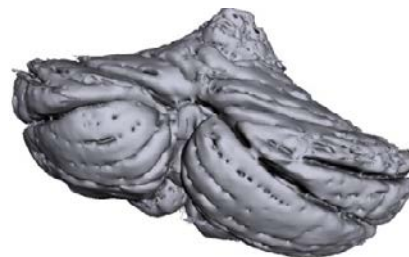
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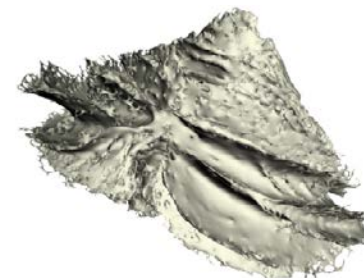
Brain WM



**Cerebellar
GM**



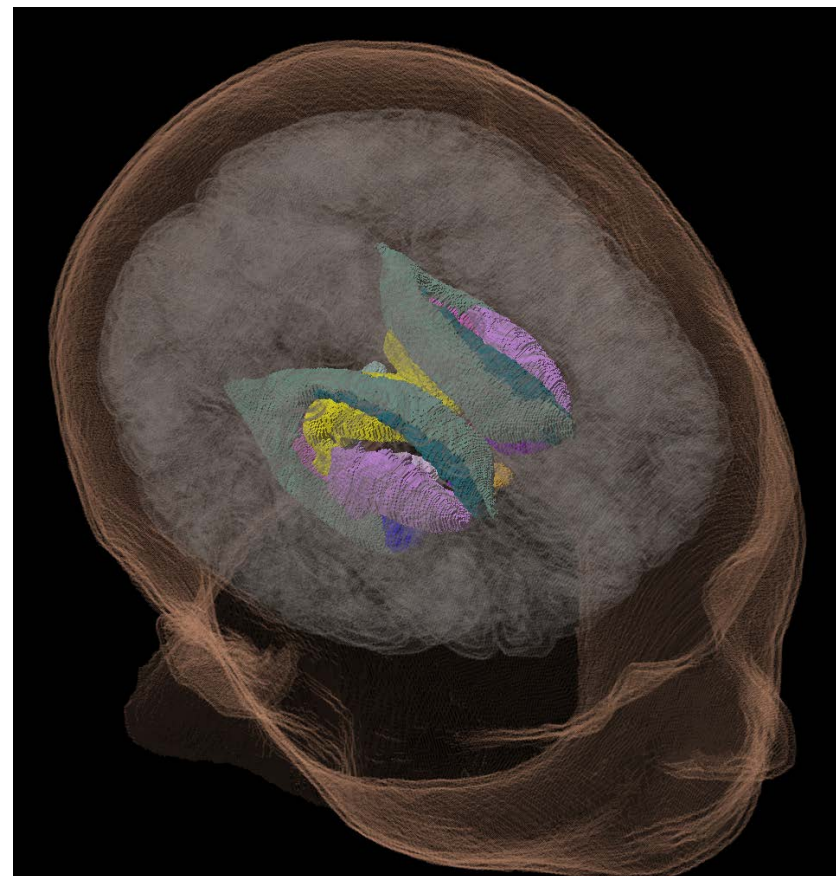
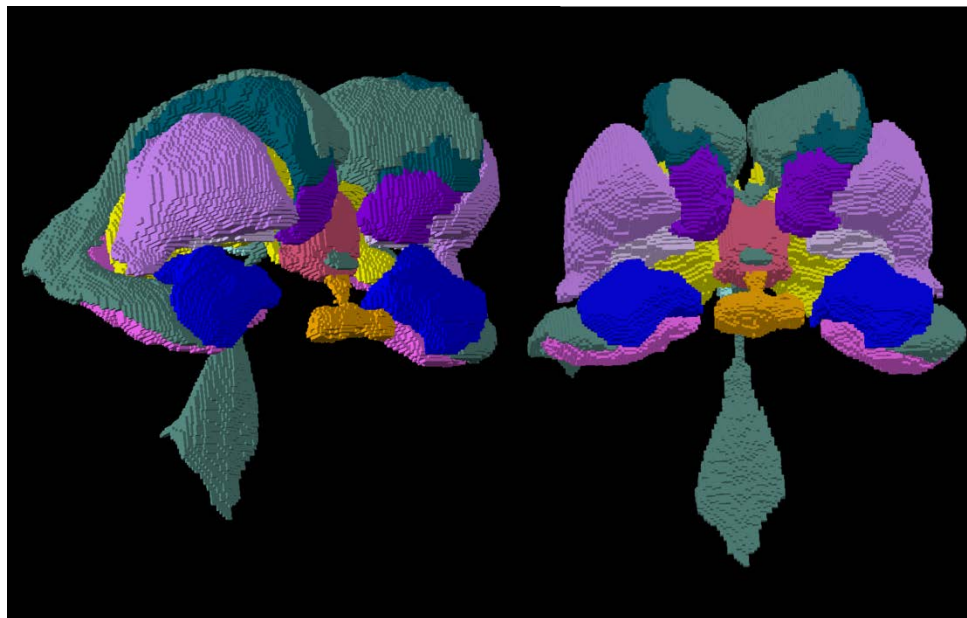
**Cerebellar
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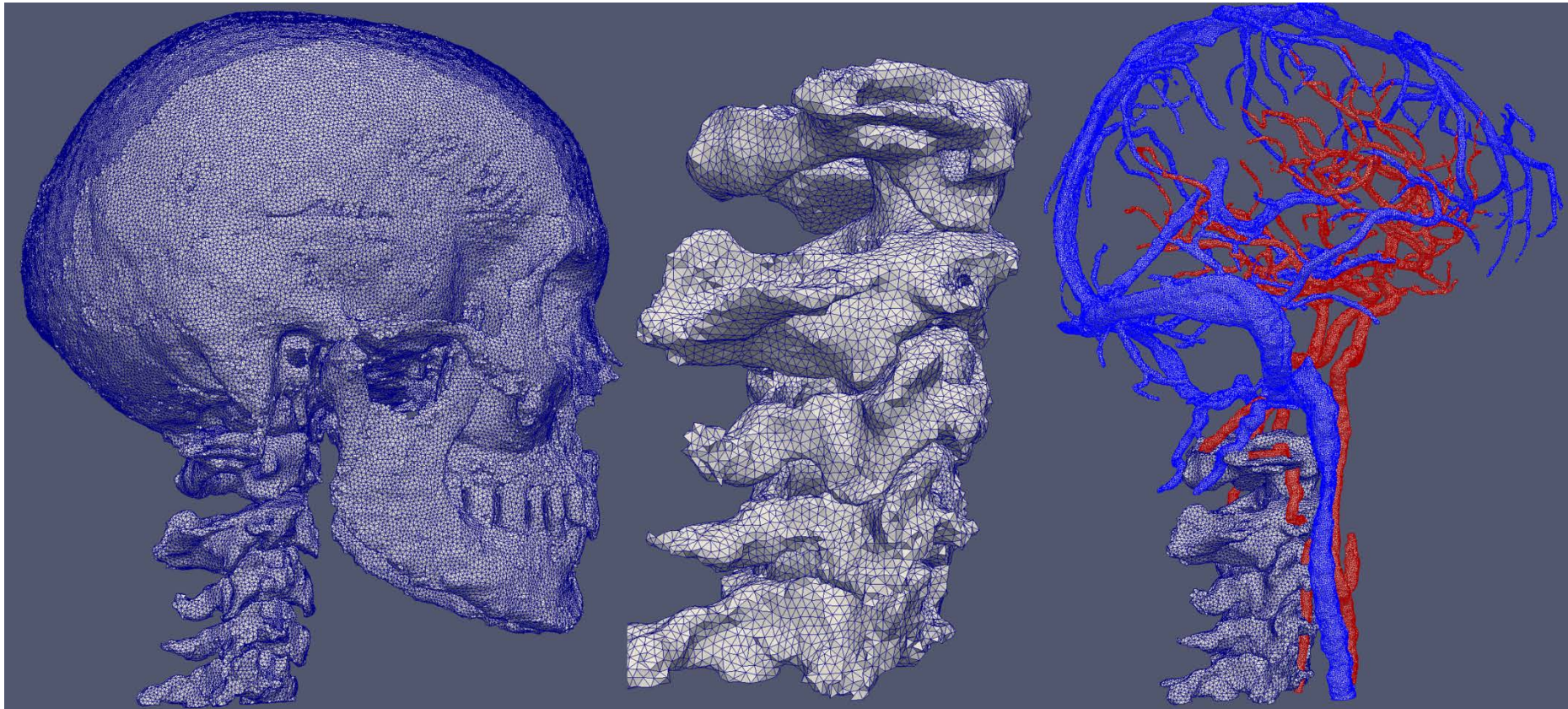
Deep Brain

MIDA model

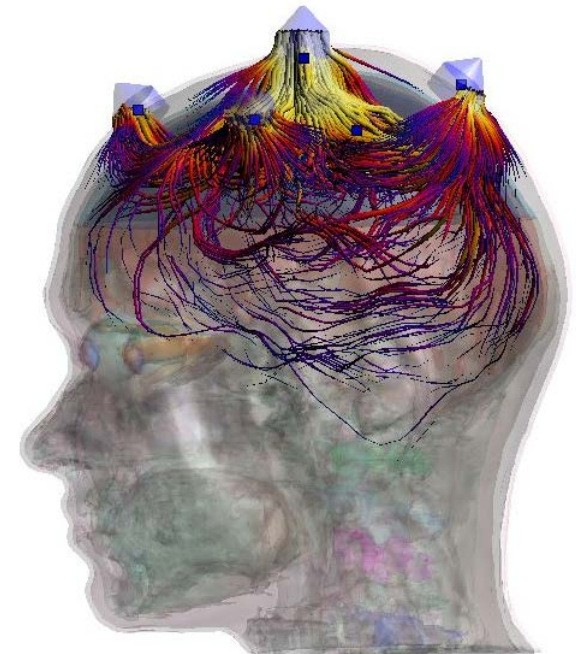
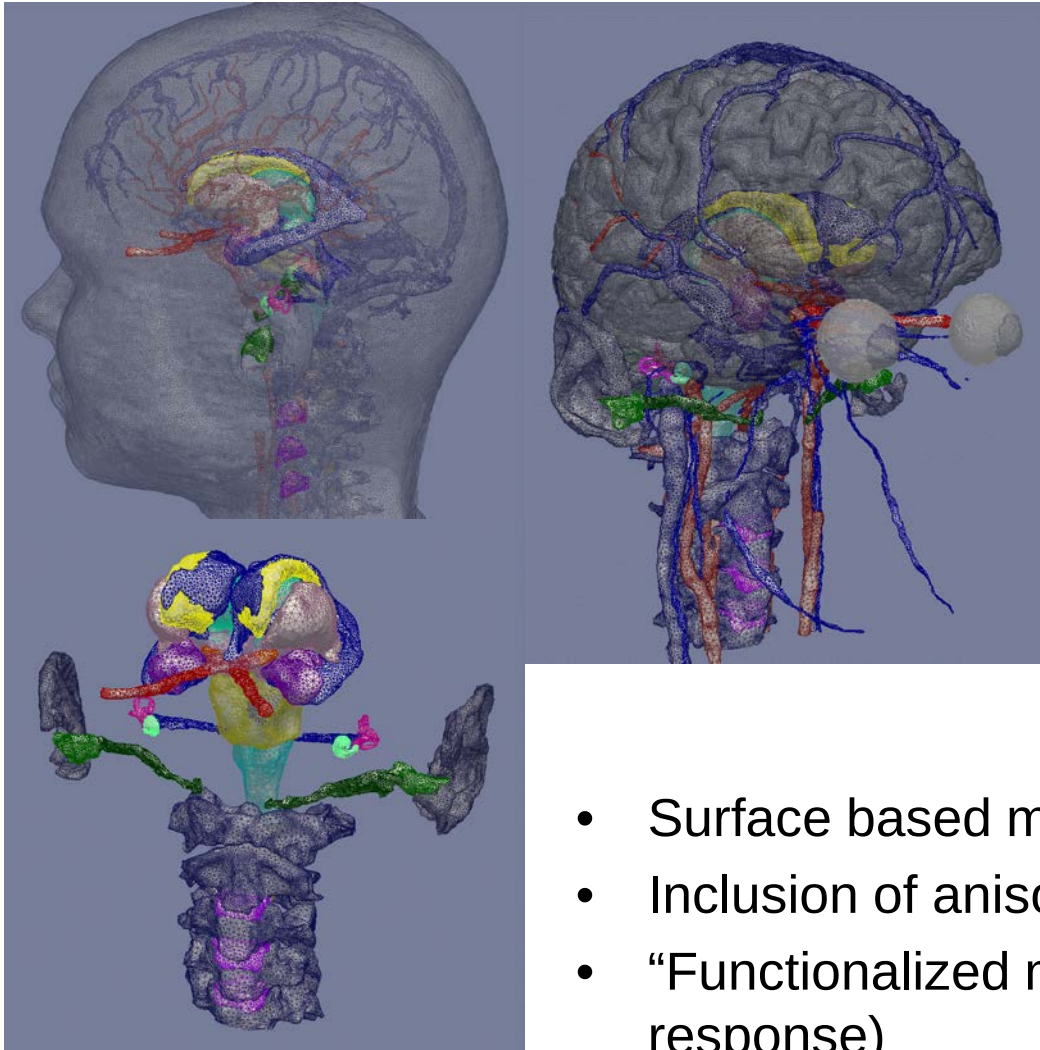
Basal Ganglia, Thalamus, & Limbic System



Bones and Vessels



Case study – tACS



Neufeld et al., IEEE NER 2015

- Surface based models
- Inclusion of anisotropic properties
- “Functionalized model” (Neuronal response)

Summary

- Overview of non-invasive neuromodulation devices (EM, optics, ultrasound)
- What is known and unknown about engineering neuromodulation devices
- Modeling exposure of different brain locations to electric fields



Thank you!