

# Treating cognition in depression or Effects of depression treatment on cognition

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# Key questions

## 1. Does treating depression improve cognition?

- Related to symptoms?
- Related to baseline cognition?
- Control for test-retest?

## 2. How do you know if cognition improved?

- Effect size?
- Consistency across measures?
- Relationship to clinical measures?

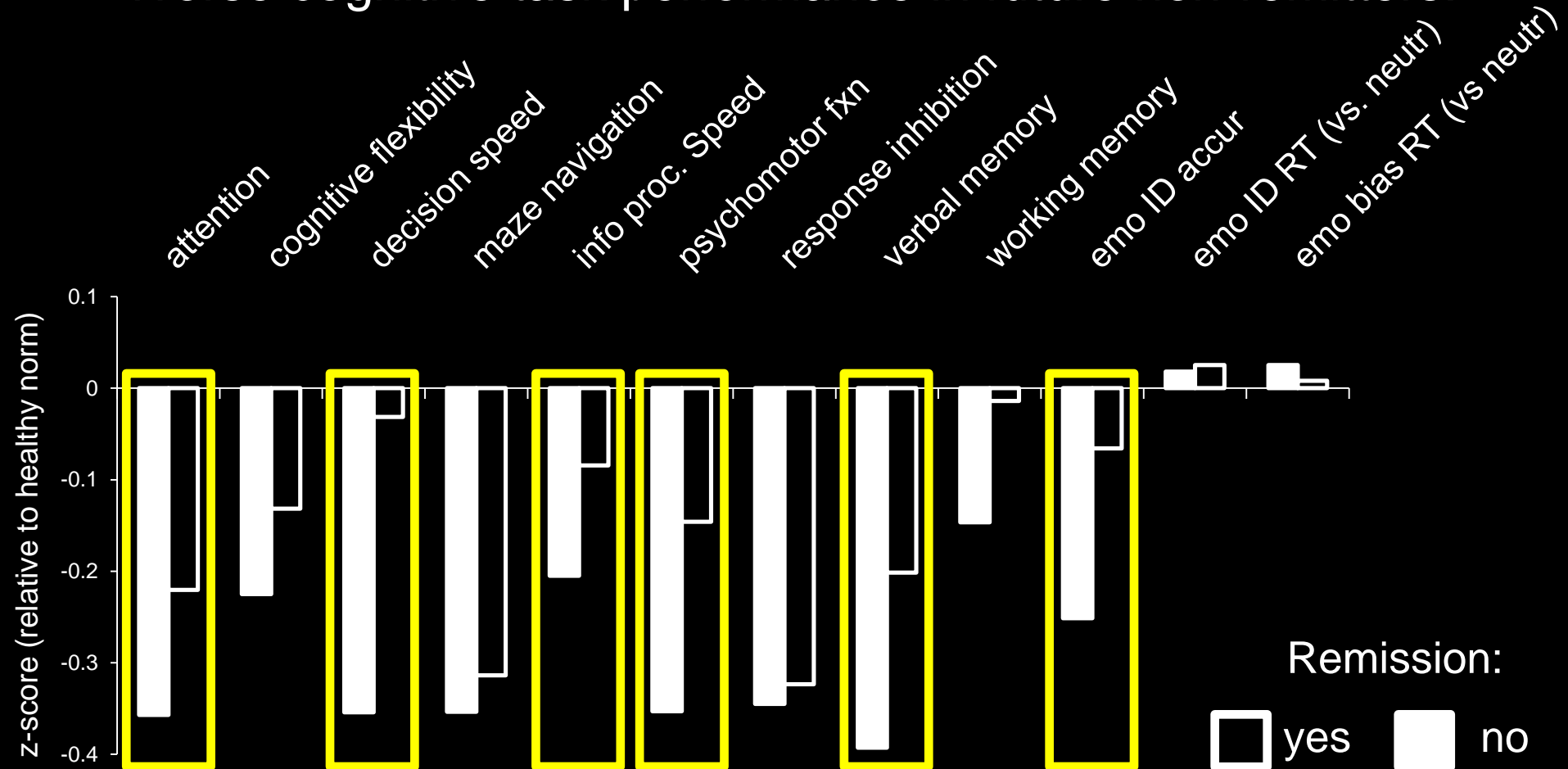
## 3. What would a cognition-targeting treatment look like?

- What is the target cognitive construct?
- Neurobiology? Behavior?
- Is our current definition of depression sufficient?
- How specific are deficits/interventions for depression?

# Cognition and antidepressants: iSPOT-D

N=1008; randomized to one of 3 medications; broad cognitive battery

Worse cognitive task performance in future non-remitters:



# Cognition and antidepressants: iSPOT-D

- Change in cognitive task performance
- Repeated testing of healthy participants

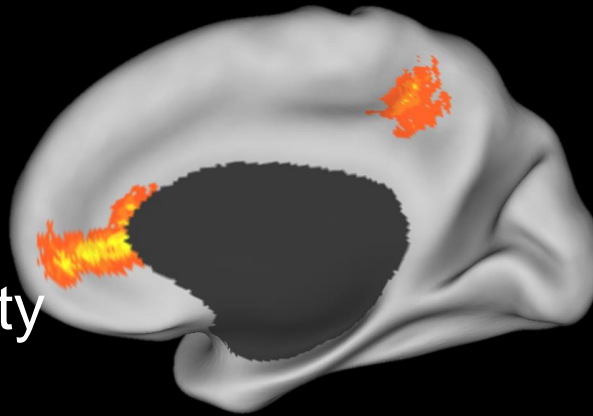


# Targeted neuromodulation: rTMS

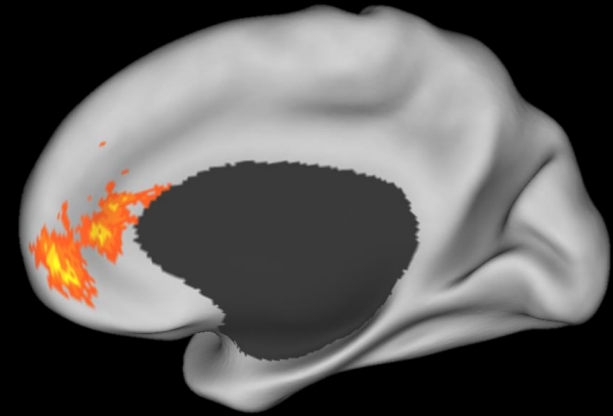
- Pre/post resting fMRI: 5 wks Left DLPFC rTMS

Reduced abnormal  
DMN and executive-  
DMN hyperconnectivity

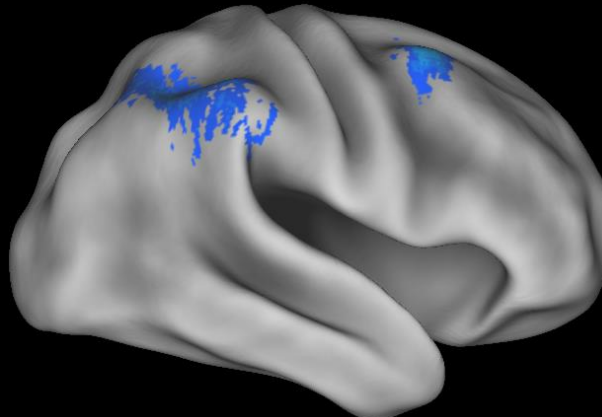
Intra-DMN



executive-DMN



Intra-executive



But no change to  
executive  
hypoconnectivity