

On behalf of the Program and Course Committees and the ACMEGS Board of Directors, let me welcome you to Orlando! This is a perfect opportunity to update your MEG knowledge, gain some insights to help launch new scientific endeavors, and – for those of us in the northern climes – enjoy a pleasant spot of sun.

Our sixth joint meeting with the American Clinical Neurophysiology Society is a testament to our relationship with ACNS which has grown even closer, with good interdigitation of meeting sessions and representation on the ACNS council. I know that those who have made the trip to Orlando have excellent opportunities to learn and interact with colleagues – in all areas of clinical neurophysiology, including MEG.

ACMEGS's first decade has recently passed, and this milestone will be celebrated not only at the ACMEGS meeting, but during a companion session on Saturday February 12 at the ACNS meeting ("The Wisdom and Vision from the ACMEGS Inaugural Decade"). This MEG SIG will review the history of our organization and take a look at what ACMEGS can look forward to in the future.

The MEG community continues to thrive, with several MEG centers added this year or already in the construction phase. The need for training of the personnel who staff these centers, access to the latest clinical techniques and research findings, and opportunities to interact with colleagues has never been greater. In the epilepsy realm, I am especially pleased to see MEG results presented often and as part of the standard of care – along with MRI, PET, etc – during case presentations at other meetings (e.g. AES). Just three or four years ago, the presentation of MEG findings from patient workups was rare. Progress on standardization of insurance coverage policies has also continued to move forward.

As for ACMEGS, we are expanding: we welcomed our very first European member this year, and our meeting program features speakers from Korea, France, Germany, and Canada! We hope that you will also join us at our annual business meeting, where we will update you on some progress on the reimbursement front as well as opportunities for members to participate in the activities of ACMEGS, including the election of new board members.

The meeting day concludes with our traditional ACMEGS dinner (included as always in your meeting registration) at a restaurant chosen for its delicious Florida Keys specialties!

Sincerely,

Richard C. Burgess, MD, PhD, FACNS

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President, American Clinical Magnetoencephalography Society (ACMEGS)

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2016 ACMEGS Annual Conference

Thursday, February 11, 2016 Hilton Orlando Lake Buena Vista • Orlando, Florida

8:30am	Arrival / Breakfast Reception				
9:30 am	ACMEGS Presidential Address 2016 Welcome and Introduction (Richard Burgess, Cleveland)				
9:50am	 MEG Analysis Across Different Types of Neurological Disorders Mesial Temporal Lobe Epilepsy with Hippocampal Sclerosis is a Network Disorder with Altered Cortical Hubs Seung-Hyun Jin, Seoul Global and Regional Functional Connectivity Maps of Neural Oscillations in Focal Epilepsy - Heidi Kirsch, San Francisco MEG-Based Detection and Localization of Peri-Lesional Dysfunction in Chronic Stroke - Ron Chu, Toronto 				
11:30am	Annual ACMEGS Photo Shoot / Lunch				
12:15pm	Clinical MEG Quality Assurance Basic Assurance of Recording Quality - John Mosher, Cleveland Systematic Review of Normal Variants - Stefan Rampp, Erlangen Recognizing and Correcting MEG Artifacts - Richard Burgess, Cleveland	Chair: Richard Burgess, Cleveland			
1:55pm	Coffee Break				
2:15pm	 Current Issues and Enduring Questions in Clinical MEG Beyond the Spike: Alternative Markers for the Epileptic Network - Stefan Rampp, Erlangen Integration of MEG with Other Brain Imaging Modalities and Intracranial EEG - Irene Wang, Cleveland Localizing Language Function with MEG - Catherine Liegeois-Chauvel, Cleveland 				
4:00pm	 Update on Educational Initiatives The State of MEG Fellowships Update and Announcements on MEG/EEG-Technologist Activities 	Chair: Richard Burgess, Cleveland			
4:30pm	 What's on the Horizon: Vendor Innovations and Plans ANT Neuro North America - Frank Zanow Compumedics, USA - Curtis Ponton, Vice President, Chief Science Officer Elekta Neuroscience - Miikka Putaala, Director, Business Line MEG York Instruments - Gary Green, Director 	Chair: Richard Burgess, Cleveland			
5:00pm	Meeting Adjourn The ACMEGS Business Meeting follows at 5:10pm (see next page). All are welcome to a vote. All registered attendees at the ACMEGS meeting are invited to our annual dinner at				

- President's Report Richard Burgess, Cleveland
- Financial Report Susan Bowyer, Detroit
- Membership Report Susan Bowyer, Detroit
- Public Relations Committee Susan Bowyer, Detroit
- Website Committee Paul Ferrari, Austin
- New Business
 - o ACMEGS Committee Involvement Richard Burgess, Cleveland
 - o Joint Meeting with ACNS—hosting 31st ICCN in May 2018 Richard Burgess, Cleveland
 - o Tales from the Reimbursement Front Angel Hernandez, Dallas, and Michael Funke, Houston
- Board Elections Richard Burgess, Cleveland

6:30pm ACMEGS Dinner at HEMINGWAY'S

One Grand Cypress Blvd., Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress Hotel (1.6 Miles from Hilton Orlando Buena Vista Hotel)



Presidential Address

Richard C. Burgess, Cleveland



Mesial Temporal Lobe Epilepsy with Hippocampal Sclerosis is a Network Disorder with Altered Cortical Hubs

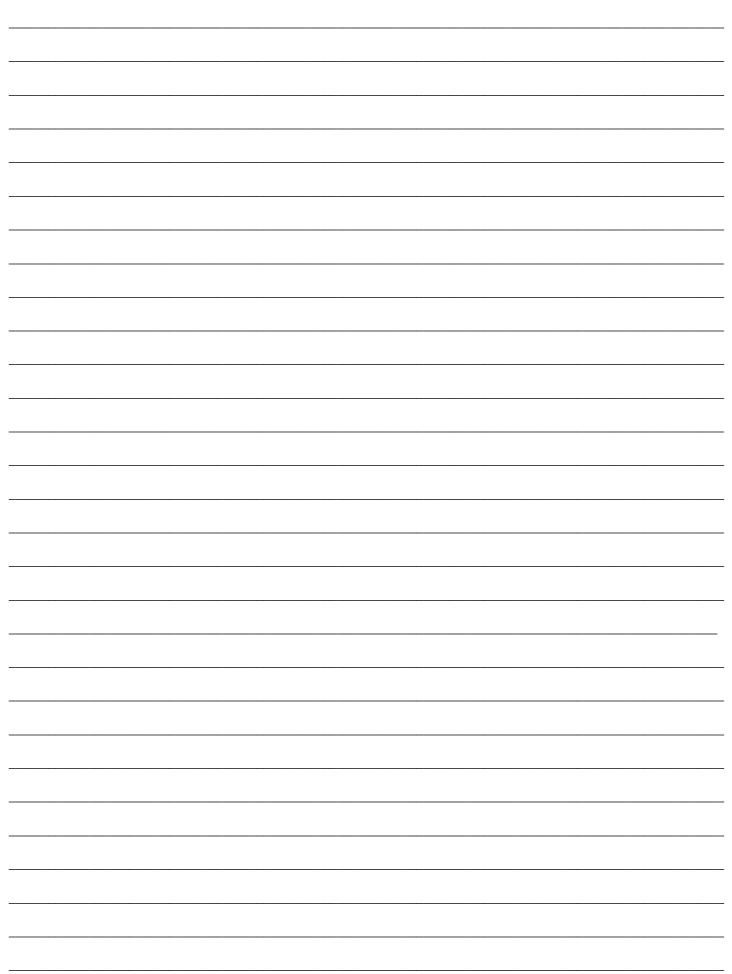
Seung-Hyun Jin, Seoul

In this study, we investigated resting-state network hubs in patients with mesial temporal epilepsy (MTLE) associated with hippocampal sclerosis (HS).

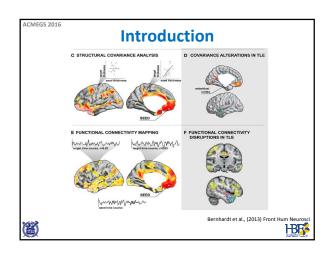
Resting-state functional networks, by using MEG signals in the theta, alpha, beta, and gamma frequency bands, were evaluated. Networks in 44 mTLE patients with HS (left MTLE = 22; right MTLE = 22) were compared with those in 46 age-matched healthy controls (HC). We investigated betweenness centrality (BC) at the source–level MEG network.

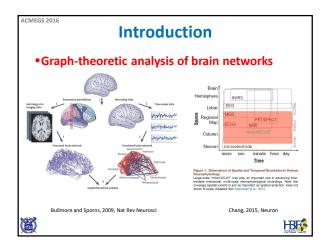
The main network hubs were at the pole of the left superior temporal gyrus in the beta band, the pole of the left middle temporal gyrus

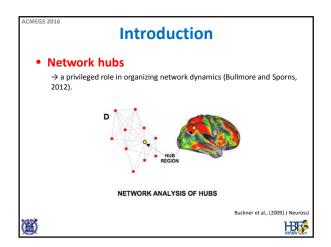
in the beta and gamma bands, left hippocampus in the theta and alpha bands, and right posterior cingulate gyrus in all 4-frequency
bands in MTLE patients; all of which were different from the main network hubs in HC. Only left MTLE patients showed profound differences from HC at the left hippocampus in the alpha band. Our analysis of resting-state MEG signals shows that altered
electrophysiological functional hubs in MTLE patients reflect pathophysiological brain network reorganization. Since we detected
network hubs in both hippocampal and extra-hippocampal areas, it is probable that MTLE is a large-scale network disorder rather than a focal disorder. The hippocampus was a network hub in left MTLE but not in right MTLE patients, which may be due to intrinsic
functional and structural asymmetries between left and right MTLE patients. The evaluation of cortical hubs, even in the spike-free
resting-state, could be a clinical diagnostic marker of MTLE with HS. Our results suggest the feasibility of using functional brain network analysis of resting-state MEG to elucidate the intrinsic brain network differences in MTLE patients.
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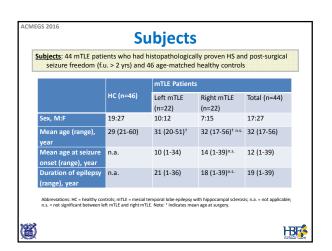
Medial Temporal Lobe Epilepsy with Hippocampal Sclerosis is a Network Disorder with Altered Cortical Hubs Seung-Hyun Jin, Ph.D. Neuroscience Research Institute, Seoul National University College of Medicine; Human Brain Function Lab., Seoul National University; HBI **Contents** 1. Introduction 2. Motivation and hypothesis 3. Subjects and methods 4. Results 5. Discussion 6. Conclusion HBF Introduction • Temporal lobe epilepsy (TLE) is the most common drugresistant epilepsy in adults. • Accumulating evidences has shown that TLE is a disorder of abnormal epileptogenic network, rather than focal sources (Bernhardt et al., 2013; review). • Altered structural and functional networks were reported in TLE (Bernhardt et al., 2013; review). HB F

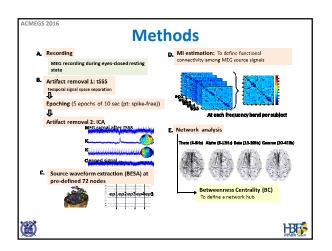






Motivation and hypotheses • Electrophysiological network analysis → high temporal resolution • The electrophysiological hubs of the large-scale (whole-brain) functional networks in mTLE with HS have not been investigated. Hypotheses I. Altered functional cortical hubs in mTLE with HS II. The hippocampus would comprise functional hubs in the resting-state large-scale brain networks of mTLE patients with HS.





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Functional connectivity measure

Mutual Information (MI)

- 1. As a functional connectivity measure
- 2. MI has been used to evaluate functional coupling between brain regions.

$$\begin{split} & \text{MI} = \text{MI}xY = \text{MI}tX = \text{MI}(X(t), Y(t)) \\ & = -\sum_{X(t), Y(t)} p\left(X(t), Y(t)\right) \log \frac{p\left(X(t), Y(t)\right)}{p(X(t))p(Y(t))} \end{split}$$

 $P(\bullet)\text{: Probability density function (PDF)} \\ MI=0, \text{ when the time series X and Y are independent.} \\ MI=\text{maximum, when the time series X and Y are identical.}$

Rationale: MI is a relatively sensitive way to reveal frequency-specific functional connectivity compared to cross-correlation, generalized synchronization, and phase synchronization [David et al., 2004]





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Network hub measure

Betweenness centrality

- Betweenness centrality (BC) is defined as the fraction of all shortest paths in the network that pass through a given node.
- 2. BC measures how often a network node occurs on the shortest paths between other nodes.

$$BC = \sum_{\substack{h,\ j \in N\\ h \neq j,\ h \neq i,\ j \neq i}} \underbrace{\frac{g_{hj}(i)}{g_{hj}}}_{\text{the number of shortest paths between node h and j}}_{\text{the number of shortest paths between node h and j}}$$





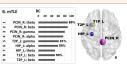
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Statistical analysis

1st test: Single subject level.
The nodes with a z-score of > 2 SD were defined functional cortical hubs with high BC.

 $z_i = \frac{BC(i) - mean(BC)}{SD(BC)}$

Aggregated ranking percent irrespective of the frequency bands ⇒ main hubs (when > 50% of subjects have this hub)

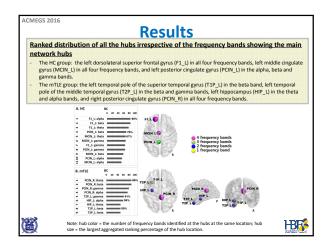


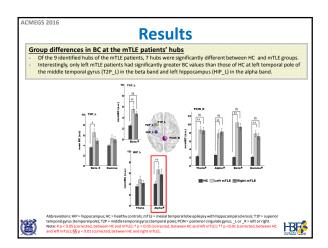
2nd test: Group level.

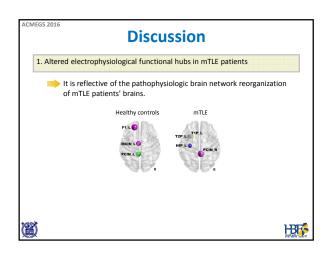
A Kruskal-Wallis test (group-wise comparison between the mTLE and HC groups) and a post-hoc Mann-Whitney test (group wise comparisons, corrected).

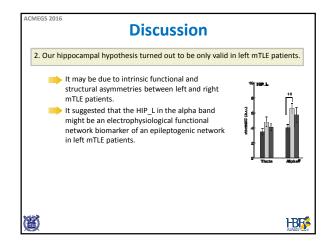


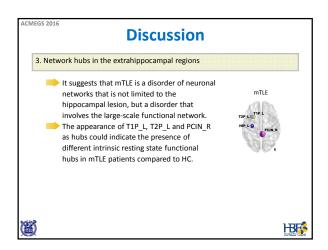












Conclusion
 Altered electrophysiological functional hubs in mTLE patients
 The mTLE is a large-scale network disorder rather than a focal disorder.
 The evaluation of cortical hubs, even in the spike-free resting-state, could be a clinical diagnostic marker of mTLE with HS.





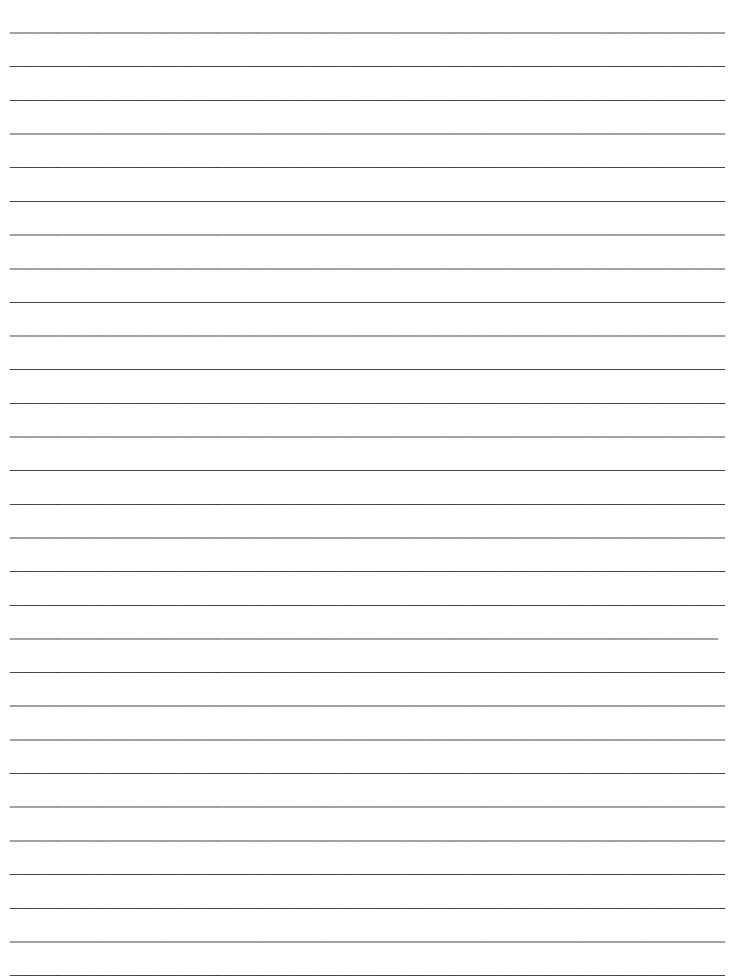




Global and Regional Functional Connectivity Maps of Neural Oscillations in Focal Epilepsy

Heidi Kirsch, San Francisco

Intractable focal epilepsy is a devastating disorder with profound effects on cognition and guality of life. Epilepsy surgery can lead to seizure freedom in patients with focal epilepsy; however, sometimes it fails due to an incomplete delineation of the epileptogenic zone. Brain networks in epilepsy can be studied with resting-state functional connectivity analysis, yet previous investigations using functional magnetic resonance imaging or electrocorticography have produced inconsistent results. Magnetoencephalography allows noninvasive whole-brain recordings, and can be used to study both long-range network disturbances in focal epilepsy and regional connectivity at the epileptogenic zone. In magnetoencephalography recordings from presurgical epilepsy patients, we examined: (i) global functional connectivity maps in patients versus controls; and (ii) regional functional connectivity maps at the region of resection, compared to the homotopic non-epileptogenic region in the contralateral hemisphere. Sixty-one patients were studied, including 30 with mesial temporal lobe epilepsy and 31 with focal neocortical epilepsy. Compared with a group of 31controls, patients with epilepsy had decreased resting-state functional connectivity in widespread regions, including perisylvian, posterior temporo-parietal, and orbitofrontal cortices (P<0.01, t-test). Decreased mean global connectivity was related to longer duration of epilepsy and higher frequency of consciousness-impairing seizures (P<0.01, linear regression). Furthermore, patients with increased regional connectivity within the resection site (n = 24) were more likely to achieve seizure postoperative seizure freedom (87.5% with Engel I outcome) than those with neutral (n = 15, 64.3% seizure free) or decreased (n = 23, 47.8% seizure free) regional connectivity (P<0.02, chi-square). Widespread global decreases in functional connectivity are observed in patients with focal epilepsy, and may reflect deleterious longterm effects of recurrent seizures. Furthermore, enhanced regional functional connectivity at the area of resection may help predict seizure outcome and aid surgical planning.



Global and regional functional connectivity maps of neural oscillations in focal epilepsy

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UCSF Epilepsy Center



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RESTING-STATE FUNCTIONAL CONNECTIVITY ANALYSIS

What is functional connectivity?

Why study it in epilepsy?

- To improve surgical targeting of the epileptogenic zone (EZ)
- To understand the deleterious network effects of epilepsy

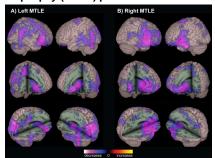


MEG functional connectivity in epilepsy: Study methods and goals

- Methods:
 - Calculate alpha-band imaginary coherence from resting-state recordings
 - Source-space analysis, 3D grid of voxels, 8-mm spatial resolution
 - Exclude: age < 18, infiltrative lesion, prior surgery, no spike-less data
- 1) Whole-brain functional connectivity across epilepsy patients versus controls (n = 61)
- 2) Regional connectivity at the presumed EZ versus contralateral hemisphere (within patients)

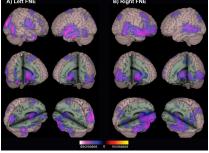


Decreased functional connectivity in mesial temporal lobe epilepsy (MTLE) patients versus controls



Unpaired t-tests, alpha-band imaginary coherence, 18 patients with left or 12 with right MTLE vs. equal number of controls, FDR-corrected, threshold p < 0.01. Englot et al., Brain 2015, 138(Pt 8):2249-62.

Decreased functional connectivity in focal neocortical epilepsy (FNE) patients versus controls A) Left FNE B) Right FNE



Unpaired ℓ -tests, alpha-band imaginary coherence, 17 patients with left or 14 with right FNE vs. equal number of controls, FDR-corrected, threshold p < 0.01. Englot et al., Brain 2015, 138(Pt 8):2249-62.

Functional connectivity is decreased in most frequency bands in epilepsy 0.06 0.06 0.05 0.01 Delta Theta Alpha Beta Gamma MTLE FINE Controls *p < 0.01, Bonferroni-corrected t-test. MTLE (N = 30), FNE (N = 31), controls (N = 31). Englot et al., Brain 2015, 138(Pt 8):2249-62.

Multivariate analysis of factors associated with global functional connectivity Age (years) Duration of epilepsy (years) Seizure frequency (#/week) No. previous AEDs No. current AEDs Duration of epilepsy (p < 0.001) Linear regression Seizure frequency (p = 0.03) Handedness Consciousness-Consciousness-Side of surgery impairing seizures (CPS, GTCS): sparing seizures (SPS): MTLE vs. FNE Lesional vs. non-lesional p = 0.77p < 0.001 (based on MRI) Stepwise generalized linear regression for multivariate analysis of factors associated with mean imaginary coherence in 61 patients with MTLE (30) and FNE (31). CPS: complex-partial seizures, GTCS: generalized tonic-clonic seizures, SPS: simple partial seizures.

Seizure types in focal epilepsy (old ILAE terminology)

Simple partial seizure (SPS)

consciousness-sparing, no convulsion (includes aura)

Complex partial seizure (CPS)

consciousness-impairing, no convulsion

Generalized tonic clonic seizure (GTCS)

consciousness-impairing, + convulsion

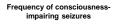
Consciousness-impairing seizures associated with $\uparrow\!\!$ morbidity:

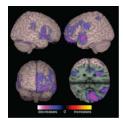
↑ motor vehicle accidents, ↓work/school performance, ↓quality of life, cognitive decline, cortical atrophy

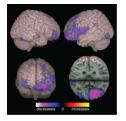


Duration and severity of illness are related to decreased connectivity in the frontal lobes

Duration of epilepsy

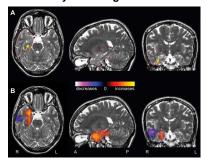






Connectivity maps reflecting linear regression analysis. N = all 61 patients together with MTLE (N = 30) and FNE (N = 31). FDR-corrected, threshold ρ < 0.01. Englot et al., Brain 2015, 138(Pt 8):2249-62.

Example of a patient with increased functional connectivity at the region of resection



34-year old right-handed female with MTLE and mesial temporal sclerosis.

A) ROI and lesion highlighted. B) ROI connectivity vs. contralateral hemisphere. Englot et al., Brain 2015, 138(Pt 8):2249-62.



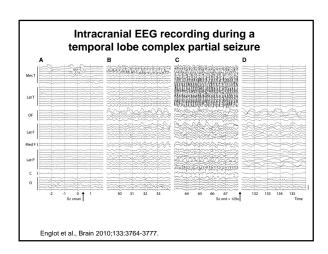
Increased connectivity at the resection region is associated with post-operative seizure freedom

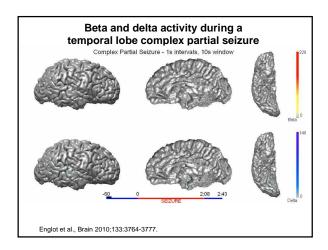
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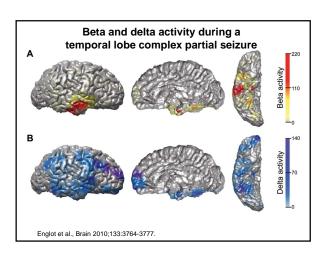
Neutral connectivity

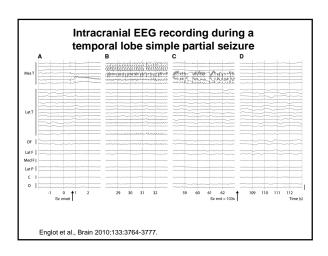
Neutral (N = 31): decreased (N = 23), neutral (N = 14), and increased (N = 24) cornectivity. English et al., Brial 2015, 138(Pt 8):2249-62.

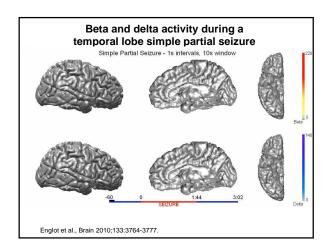
RELATING ICTAL EFFECTS OF SEIZURES TO LONG-TERM INTERICTAL NETWORK DISTURBANCES

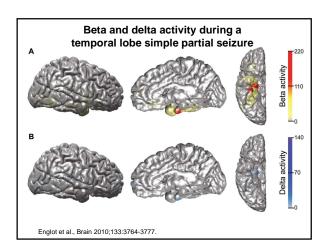


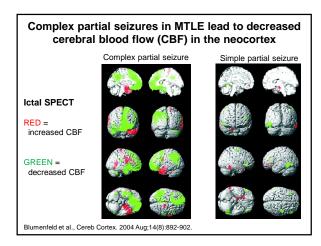


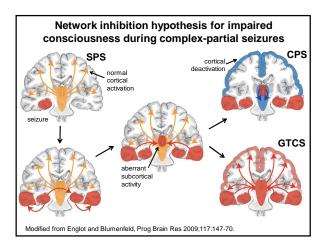


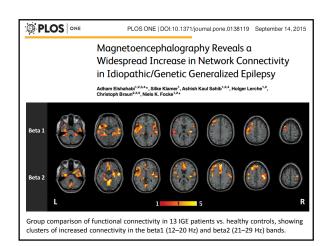












Conclusions

- MEG demonstrates decreased neocortical connectivity in focal epilepsy that is quantitatively related to severity of illness
- Regional connectivity is often increased at the EZ, and may help predict seizure outcome after surgery
- Network inhibition during seizures (ictal) may lead to reduced long-range connectivity over time (interictal)



Thanks



MEG-Based Detection and Localization of Peri-Lesional Dysfunction in Chronic Stroke

Ron Chu, Toronto

Post-stroke impairment is associated not only with structural lesions, but also with dysfunction in surviving perilesional tissue. Previous studies using equivalent current dipole source localization of MEG/EEG signals have demonstrated a preponderance of slow-wave activity localized to perilesional areas. Recent studies have also demonstrated the utility of nonlinear analyses such as multiscale entropy (MSE) for quantifying neuronal dysfunction in a wide range of pathologies. The current study utilized beamformer-based reconstruction of signals in source space to compare aspects of electrical activity in perilesional and healthy cortex, using data collected from chronic stroke patients and healthy controls, both young and elderly. We assessed relative power in the delta (1-4Hz), theta (4-7Hz), alpha (8-12Hz) and beta (15-30Hz) frequency bands, and also measured the nonlinear complexity of electrical activity using MSE. Perilesional tissue exhibited a general slowing of the power spectrum (increased delta/theta, decreased beta) as well as a reduction in MSE. Furthermore, perilesional electrophysiological abnormalities in the left hemisphere were correlated with the degree of language task-induced activation in the right hemisphere, suggesting compensatory reorganization for stroke-induced dysfunction. We also demonstrate single subject mapping techniques that can identify dysfunctional tissue within individual patients. Together, these results suggest that both spectral and nonlinear analyses of source localized MEG signals can identify dysfunctional perilesional tissue that may be an ideal target for interventions with noninvasive brain stimulation.

MEG-based detection of perilesional dysfunction in chronic aphasia

Outline

- Beyond structure Perilesional tissue dysfunction
- Spectral indicators of tissue dysfunction
- Non linear approaches
- Comparing spectral and non linear analyses of source localized signals
- Implications

Lesions are bigger than they look

ACUTE (< 6 months)



Language deficits in aphasia are frequently associated with structural damage to language areas

Sometimes language areas are structurally intact, but dysfunctional

CHRONIC (>6 months)

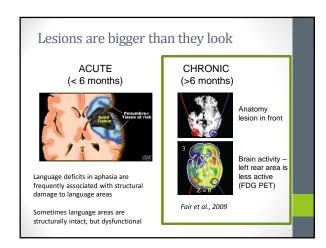


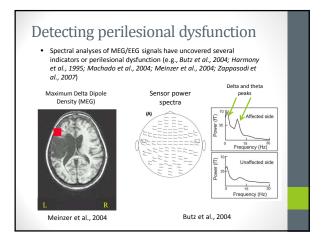
Anatomy lesion in front

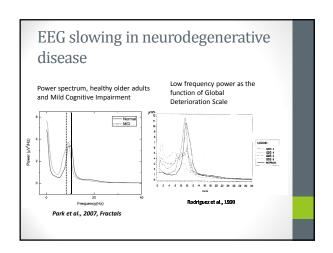


Brain activity – left rear area is less active (FDG PET)

Fair et al., 2009





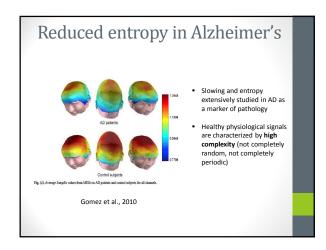


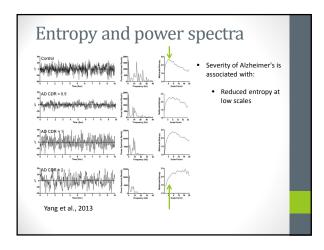
Slow wave dipole mapping Temporoparietal Slow Wave Activity In Alzheimer's Disease De Munck, 2001 Fernandez, 2002

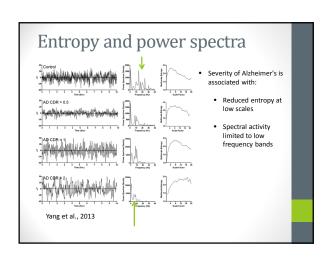
Spectral Analyses

- Slow wave activity is sensitive to tissue dysfunction in various diseases:
- Alzhemier's and MCI
- Tumors
- Stroke
- In conditions with frank structural lesions, slow wave activity is localized to perilesional areas

Non-linear measures • Entropy - measure of signal complexity (A) Random Seole ligrinspsio sntc srivem imdir ii tts cgocildaos oeciotd sehricnea g gip dsl ltam gtns gntziamd lor shrcal orph akodvdmir... (B) Complex To be, or not to be, that is the question: Whether 'tts Nobler that is the question: Whether 'tts Nobler The Slings and lor shrcal orph akodvdmir... All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy, All work and no play makes Jack adull boy, All work and no play makes Jack adull boy... Low Entropy High Entropy Low Entropy Antip://www.psynettesearch.org/complexity-analysis-of-brain-signals.html







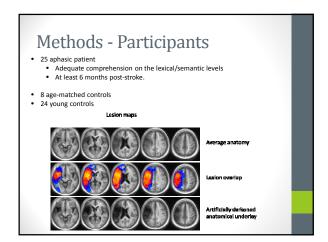
Entropy and power spectra Severity of Alzheimer's is associated with: Reduced entropy at low scales Spectral activity limited to low frequency bands The signal becomes progressively more periodic with disease severity

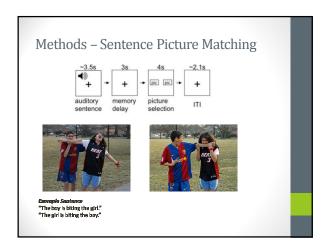
Indicators of tissue dysfunction

- Low frequency EEG/MEG activity are associated with tissue dysfunction in various neurological conditions
- This activity is localized to perilesional tissue in conditions associated with frank structural lesions
- AD is associated with reduced entropy (complexity) of signals from sensor space
- Reduced signal complexity is correlated with increased low frequency power
- Are entropy-based measures of source localized signals sensitive to perilesional dysfunction?

Current Study

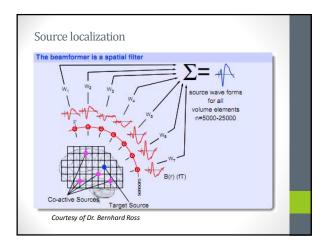
 What is the relative efficacy of spectral and non linear analyses of source localized signals for detecting perilesional dysfunction in stroke?

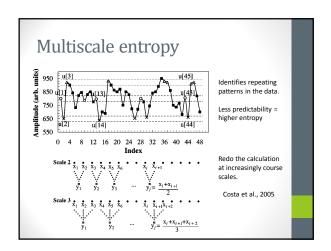


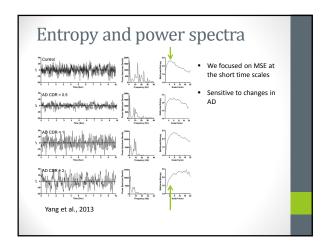


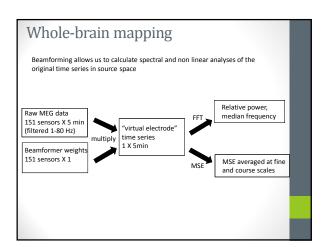
Methods - Analyses

- Sensor data were localized into source space using beamformer analysis
- Source localized time series were subjected to:
 Relative power in delta, theta, alpha, and beta bands
 Multiscale entropy
- Between Group Analyses
 Voxel-wise comparison maps Voxel-wise co.
 ROI analyses
- Within Group Analyses (patients)
 Correlation of relative power and entropy with task-
- Single subject maps

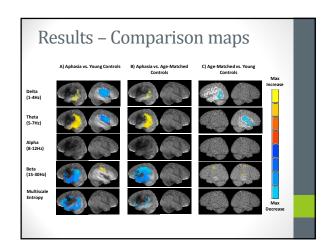


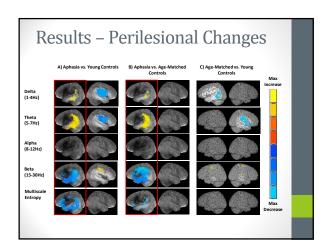


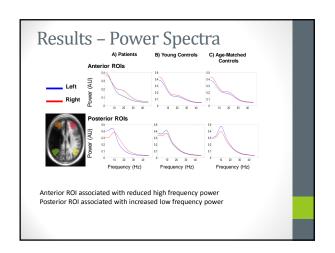


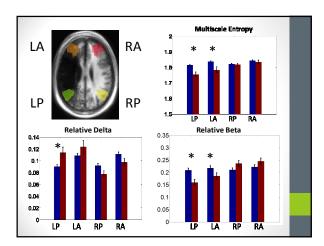


Results - Summary • Between Group Analyses • Voxel-wise comparison maps • Perilesional tissue is associated with slowing and reduced complexity • Aging associated with faster frequencies and no changes in complexity • ROI analyses • Within Group Analyses (patients) • Correlation of relative power and entropy with task-activation • Single subject maps



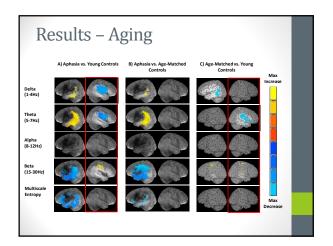






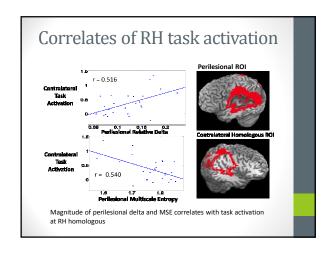
- Between Group Analyses Perilesional Changes

 - Voxel-wise comparison maps
 Perilesional tissue is associated with slowing and reduced complexity
 - ROI Analysis
 - Delta power sensitive to changes in posterior perilesional areas
 - Beta power and MSE sensitive to changes in posterior and anterior areas



- Between Group Analyses Aging
 - Voxel-wise comparison maps
 - Aging associated with reduced delta and increased beta
 - MSE not sensitive to aging effects

Correlates of RH task activation Patients exhibit increased right hemisphere task activation (30Hz ERD) when compared to controls Is this associated with perilesional dysfunction? CAge-Match Controls F) Age-Matched Vs. Young Controls



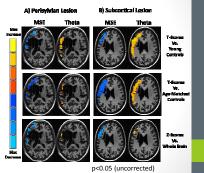
- Within group Correlations
 - Perilesional delta power is positively correlated with RH task activation
 - Perilesional MSE is positively correlated with RH task activation
 - Greater dysfunction is associated with greater RH activation

Results - Single Subject Mapping

- Can we identify changes at the single subject level?
- Two approaches:
 - 1) Compute a Z-score at each voxel relative to the subject's brain
 - 2) Compute an unequal two-sample ttest at each voxel vs. a control group

Results - Single Subject Mapping

- Both patients exhibited reduced MSE and increase theta along perilesional regions
- MSE appears more sensitive when using the whole-brain method



- Both spectral and non linear measures are sensitive to perilesional dysfunction
- The magnitude of perilesional dysfunction is correlated with RH language activation
- · Spectral measures are sensitive age
- Single subject maps can be computed to identify dysfunctional tissue within an individual

- Implications
 Non-invasive brain stimulation has been demonstrated as effective tools for rehabilitation
- This includes excitatory perilesional stimulation (Marangolo et al., 2013; Szaflarski et al., 2011) and inhibitory RH stimulation (e.g., Naser et al., 2010; Thiel et al., 2013)
- Target selection based on anatomical constraints or task
- Single subject mapping presented here can guide neurorehabilitative stimulation towards dysfunctional tissue



Chrysikou & Hamilton, 2011

Thank you for your time!

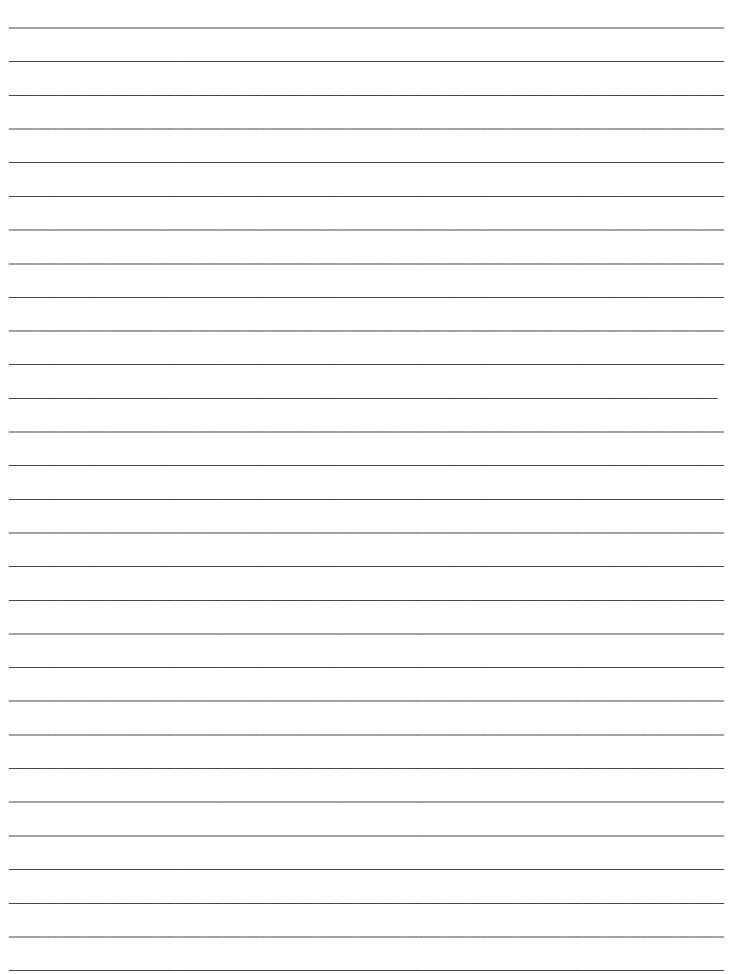
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Basic Assurance of Recording Quality

John Mosher, Cleveland

In (Gross et al. Neuroimage 2013), the authors present good general practice for conducting MEG research studies. We present here an expanded detailed presentation with a particular clinical emphasis on spontaneous recordings for epilepsy, from our years of experience in conducting over 1,200 patient exams. We emphasize the preparation of the patient and the setup of MEG instrument to ensure a quality clinical recording. Several practices are quite general for any MEG instrument, such as generally insisting on MRI compatible gowns, careful acquisition of landmarks on the patient's scalp, and the daily recording of empty room data. Other practices we will present are more specific to our vendor's protocols, but are translatable to the other vendors.



Basic Assurance of MEG Recording Quality John C. Mosher, PhD, with Gabrielle Hosten, Sumiya Shibata MD, and Richard C Burgess MD PhD Epilepsy Center, Neurological Institute, Cleveland Cl Cleveland, Ohio USA Cleveland Clinic

Outline

- Machine Preparation
- Patient Preparation
 The hidden cell phone
- Patient Landmarks
- Patient Positioning

 As deep as possible
- Monitoring the Recording
 - Movement "compensation"
- Post-Processing
 Consistency, consistency, consistency

Welcome to the MEG

- Unlike an MRI, your MEG quiet exam.
- We give you pillow and blankets, then dim lights and ask that you take a nap for about an hour.



Why are you getting a MEG?

- "You're getting a MEG today for two primary reasons:
- (1) The helmet has over 300 sensors in it, so the first advantage is a pure numbers game: We have ten times as many sensors as your EEG array to detect abnormal
- (2) Given we detect abnormal activity, the physics of MEG are actually easier to figure out where this activity
- Bottom line: We get better detection and better localization of abnormal brain activity."

Contra-Indicated Patients

- · Cochlear Implants:
 - PT has a ferrous magnetic coupler behind ear.

 - Absolutely will not work in MEG.
 DO NOT ATTEMPT DeGaussing! (per manufacture)
- Some forms of "MRI-Conditional" shunts nonetheless have a true magnet:
 Medtronic Strata NSC Adjustable Pressure Valve
 T compatible, must be re-programmed after an MRI
 Uses magnetic rotor to adjust ball-and-spring mechanism

 - Nearly impossible to achieve usable MEG results
- Otherwise, we have run: GPS ankle bracelets, drug pumps, active VNS, pacemakers, hidden cell phones, etc.

Machine Preparation

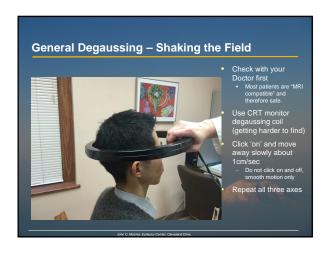
- Good camera, good microphone

 - Wall mounted microphone for global sound capture Tilt-Pan-Zoom camera from full body to facial expression
- Daily tuning to keep stability
 SQUIDs are based on active feedback controllers
 "Fine" tuning exorcises amplifier "parasitics"
- Empty room recordings confirm "normal" operation
 - Every day a patient is scheduled Include chair if used for parent

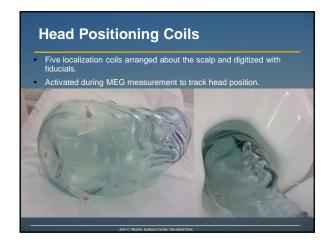




Patient Preparation • General recommendation for sleep deprivation - It's a boring exam, so sleep through it - Less patient fidgeting, more possible abnormal activity • Change into gowns, no metal - Clothing adjustments, metal threads, etc. cause trouble - Pockets invite hidden cell phones • 10-20 EEG electrodes to assist in abnormal detection • Degauss all patients - Therefore not so important: MRI after the MEG







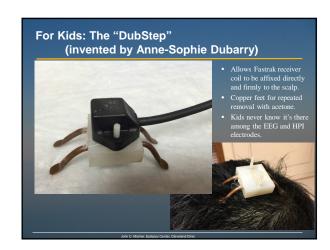
Patient Landmarks



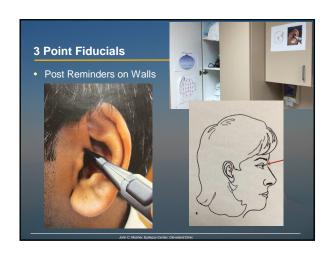
- Head Positioning Coils are located by the MEG array
 Need precise location of coils on patient's scalp
 Need three fiducials (nasion, ears) for coordinate system
 Need hundreds more points for aligning MRI scalp
 Allows inference as to where's Waldo in the helmet
- Many sites use the Polhemus Fastrak system
 OEM with some vendors
- The Fastrak is a magnetic field transmitter, and therefore good practice must be followed in using it.
- Technician should not wear a watch or necklace.
- Check/recheck measurements in real-time
 Neuromag has specific routine for this, use it!

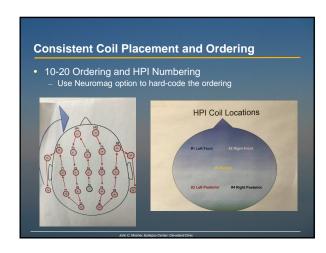
Recording Polhemus Data Fastrak Chair must be well-positioned, away from walls. • Cables cleanly routed to box. Do not lean over transmitter on chair Stay to sides of chair

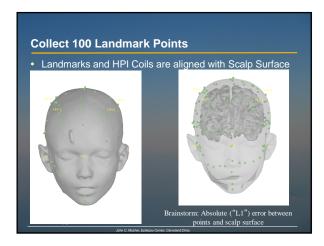
Two-Point Fastrak Receiver • More practical to use a two-receiver referential system. • Receiver cube on glasses must remain absolutely still on









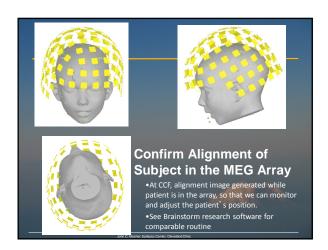


Patient Positioning Low lights to encourage sleep Supine position of patient for sliding deeply into helmet, Upright chair allows slumping over time. Parent in the room to stabilize and re-insert child Placement of audio transducers (if any) As far from helmet as possible, on bed, not moving EEG Cabling, good insertion, clean routing





Monitoring the Recording Real-time head position check, patient must be deep in the array. Record cardiac simultaneously to later track the heart vector and possible cardio-ballistic artifacts. Optional: some like to record eye-blink EOG. View the channels looking for some form of localization of noise: artifact in hair vs. contaminant on all channels Movement "compensation" If patient shifts too much, start new file, checking head position Do not rely too heavily on post-processing compensation for large shifts Neuromag: Custom SSP for real-time visualization MGH software can make valid SSP vectors for any data set CTF software allows real-time "3" order" gradiometers Annotate real-time any unusual environmental observations Annotate real-time any observable seizures or claims by PT of aura Ensure data time tags are synchronized to NTP "wall-clock" time



Patient's VNS or other metal usually causes strong respiration artifact. At CCF, we generate a new "SSP" with patient in the array to allow easier real-time viewing of the data. CTF: Third-order gradiometers similarly very useful

Post-Processing • Devise consistent naming and ordering of files - "spont_cinitials>_<run number>_raw" - "sef_<initials>_<run number>_raw" - "language_bapa_<initials>_<run number>_raw." • These "string tokens" make scripts easier to devise. Initials help detect misplaced data. • Consistent initial processing chain for all data - Set filters, noise rejection, etc the same way everytime - Right or wrong, it's consistent for the first pass, can be rerun with different if desired. - CCF: we have automated script to run Maxfilter from the command line the same way for every file

Summary

- Consistency in the preparation yields consistency in the data generated
- Check / recheck Fastrak data in real-time to catch disturbances and ensure registration accuracy
- Ensure patient as deep as possible in the helmet
 Source accuracy degrades rapidly outside the helmet confines
- Monitor patient and machine for performance
- Consistently process data on the first pass
 - Additional passes as needed for exceptional cases

Thanks

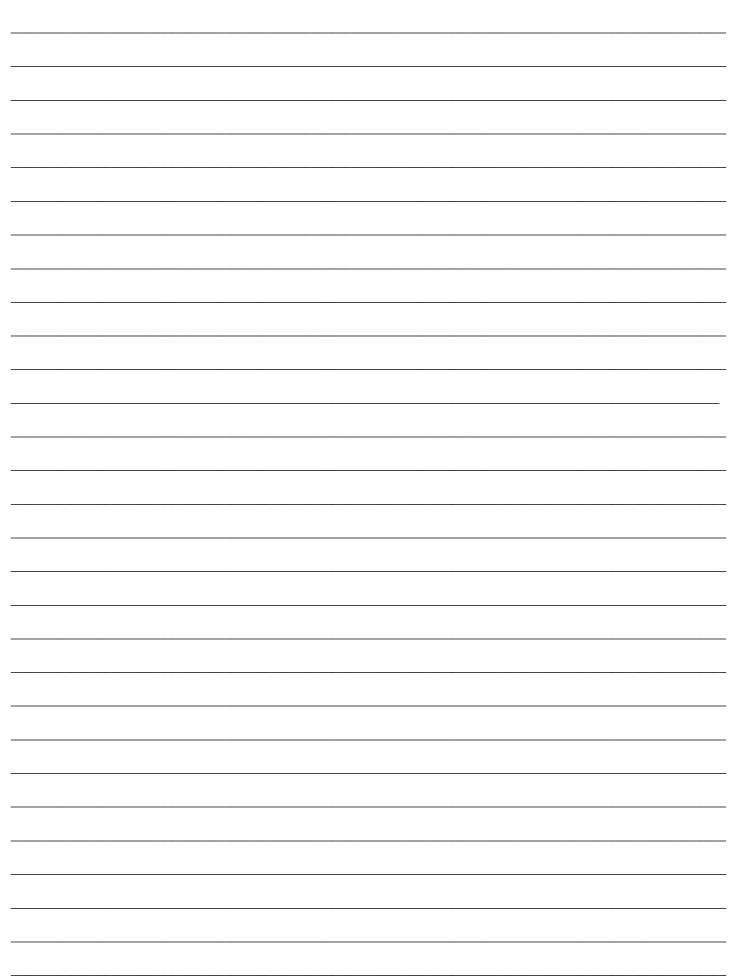
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Systematic Review of Normal Variants

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Normal variants, while not occurring frequently, may appear similar to epileptic activity. Misinterpretation may lead to false diagnoses. In the context of presurgical evaluation, normal variants may lead to mislocalizations with severe impact on viability and success of surgical therapy. While the different variants are well known in EEG, little has been published in regard to their appearance in MEG. The presentation reviews benign epileptiform variants and provides examples in EEG and MEG. In addition, the potential of oscillatory configurations in different frequency bands to appear as epileptic activity are discussed.

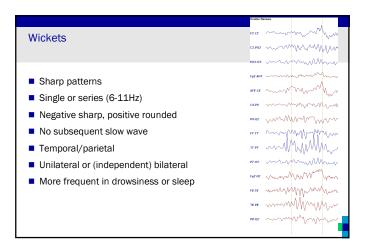


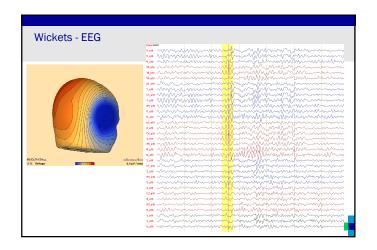
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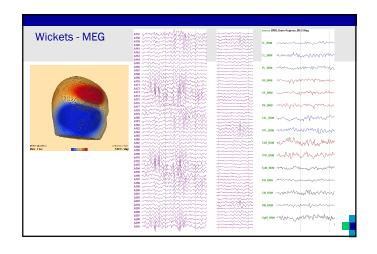
Normal variant or epileptic activity? Patient with frontal lobe epilepsy MRI normal EEG: unclear Therapy: AED MEG: Beta oscillations left frontal Interspersed spikes/accentuated oscillations? Epileptic oscillations/rhythmic spikes? Effects of Medication (AED!)? Normal variant? Universitätsklinikum Eflangen

Benign epileptiform variants (BEV) BEV look like epileptiform patterns but are not associated with epilepsy Risk of misdiagnosis of epilepsy Diagnosis of epilepsy Classification Multifocal Risk of mislocalization

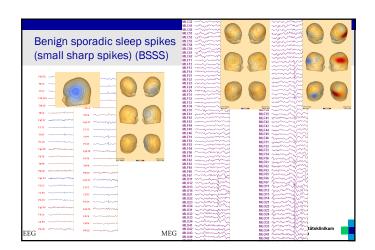
Types of BEV Sharp transients Wickets Benign epileptic transients of sleep (BETS) Benign sporadic sleep spikes/small sharp spikes Burst/trains 6 Hz spike waves 14 and 6 Hz positive spikes Rhythmic temporal theta of drowsiness/psychomotor variant Subclinical rhythmic electrographic discharge of adults (SREDA) Oscillations Alpha (vs. spikes) Beta (vs. spikes) Beta (vs. spikes) Delta/theta (vs. epileptic slow waves) (Physiologic activity, e.g. vertex waves)

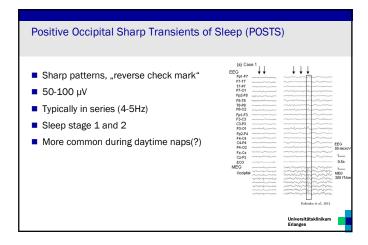


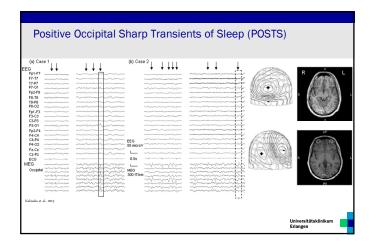


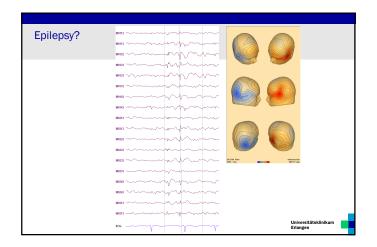


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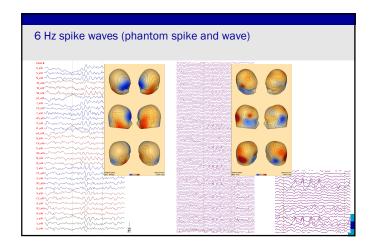


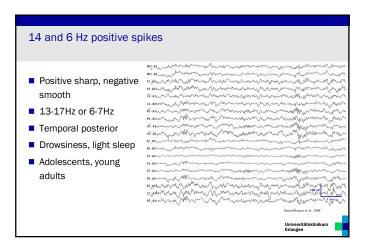




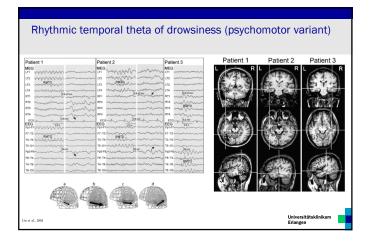


6 Hz spike waves (phantom spike and wave) Subtle spike, prominent wave 5-7Hz series <1 sec duration Bilateral synchronous Awake, drowsiness, not in sleep FOLD - Female Occipitally-predominant Lowamplitude Drowsiness (benign) WHAM - Wake High-amplitude Anterior Male (generalized seizure disorder?) WHAM - Wake High-amplitude Anterior Male (generalized seizure disorder?)



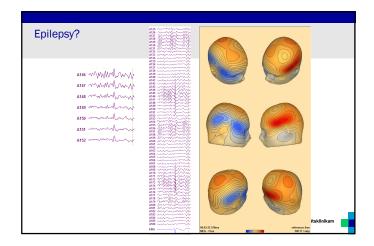


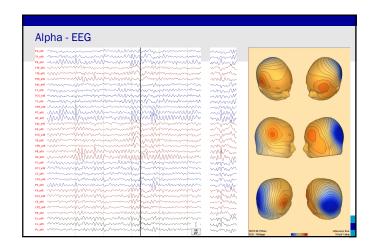
Rhythmic temporal theta of drowsiness (psychomotor variant) Bursts or runs of sharp patterns 5-7Hz Monomorphic (no evolution) Mid-anterior temporal Bilateral or independent, shifting emphasis Drowsiness (and relaxed wakefulness)

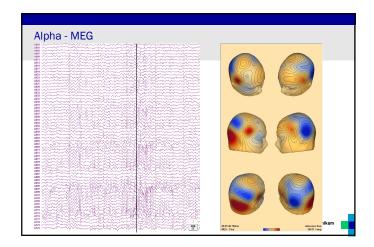


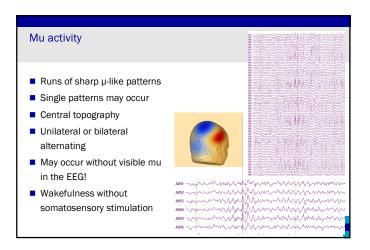
Subclinical rhythmic electrographic discharge of adults (SREDA) Mono-/biphasic waves mixed with rhythmic theta/delta Abrupt onset, gradual offset - 20s to minutes Parietal, temporal posterior Bilateral synchronous or unilateral Wakefulness, rarely during sleep Elderly, middle age Rare! No behavioral correlate

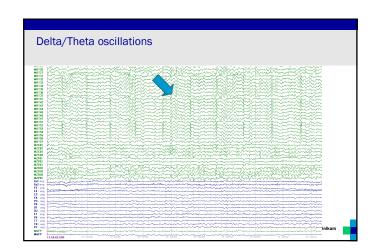
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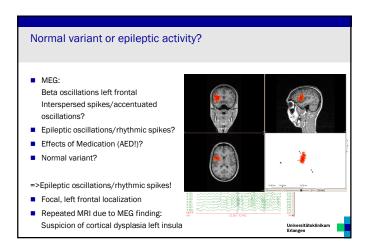




Delta/Theta oscillations Sleep Antidepressants Antipsychotics Opiates (Hypnotics (Etomidate)) Anesthetics (e.g. propofol) AED (e.g. carbamazepine)

■ Epilepsy-associated delta/theta!

Beta oscillations Sedatives/hypnotics (e.g. benzodiazepines, barbiturates) Anesthetics (e.g., propofol) AED (Antidepressants) (Hallucinogenic drugs) (Psychostimulants)



Practical advice	
■ Record simultaneous EEG!	
■ One spike is no spike!	
Double check series of patterns or oscillatory appearance!	-
■ Compare drowsiness/sleep vs. wakefulness when in doubt	
■ Compare resting state vs. somatosensory stimulation	
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Recognizing and Correcting MEG Artifacts

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Magnetoencephalography (MEG) has significant advantages for localization due to its higher temporal and spatial resolution, along with its insensitivity to tissue inhomogeneities (e.g. skull, scalp), compared to electroencephalography (EEG). MEG is used primarily for precise localization, and the accuracy of this source localization task is highly dependent on the signal to noise ratio. Many of the sources of interference familiar to electroencephalographers plague MEG as well, although there are some (such as EMG) that are less disruptive to MEG than EEG. Since MEG is a recording of magnetic fields, there are also several artifacts not seen on EEG; magnetoencephalographers need to recognize and minimize these interfering signals.

Some of the problematic interfering sources include:

External interference from magnetic environments that is specific to the clinical environment (monitoring instruments, frequent transportation of patients and equipment, building construction, etc.)

Artifacts caused by nearby sources (vagal nerve stimulator, magnetic particles left on the head after craniotomy, dental materials, etc.)

In order to focus on the brain magnetic field and exclude extraneous magnetic noise, several strategies are employed:

Locating the MEG within a magnetically shielded room.

Employing gradiometers which measure differential magnetic fields coupled to SQUIDs. Additional compensation using active field coils.

A variety of post-acquisition digital subtraction techniques.

In most mapping and cognitive-related protocols, averaging is employed to improve SNR. During spontaneous MEG recordings in epilepsy patients, however, averaging of interictal activity is not desirable, and alternative methods of noise reduction are sought.

Interference suppression methods include:

Reference sensors (Vrba and Robinson 2001)

Signal space projection (SSP) (Uusitalo and Ilmoniemi 1997)

Signal space separation (SSS) (Taulu and Kajola 2005)

Spatiotemporal signal space separation (tSSS) (Taulu and Simola 2006)

The most recent technique, the tSSS method, recognizes and removes both external interference and the artifacts produced by the nearby sources, even those on the scalp.

The basic separation into brain-related and external interferences signals is accomplished with signal space separation based on sensor geometry and Maxwell's equations only.

The artifacts from nearby sources are extracted by a simple statistical analysis in the time domain, and projected out.

In addition to the classical sorts of interfering signals, problems can occur during the source localization process that lead to localization errors. These vulnerable steps include:

Artifacts from post-processing to remove noise or to correct head position

Coregistration with anatomical images

Errors during management of the source localization algorithm

When these components of the interpretation process produce erroneous results, they too must be considered "artifacts" which demand vigilance to identify and remove them.

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Noise Sources in Magnetoencephalography

- Interference from sources outside the shielded room
 - Elevators and moving vehicles
 - Motors and power lines Construction activities
- Noise sources in the shielded room

 Other people (parent, nurse, neuropsychologist)

 Devices (projectors, cameras, stimulators, EEG cables)
- Physiological or non-physiological sources inside the patient
- EKG, orthodontia
- Implants (VNS, artifical joints)
- Noise from inside the head
 Ferrous particles left in the head after craniotomy

 - Background brain noise unrelated to the signal of interest
 Activity from brain regions not of interest
- Intrinsic sensor noise
- · Artifacts from other apparatus
- Crosstalk from other recording devices (EEG)
 Evoked response stimulators

Elimination of magnetic interference in Magnetoencephalography

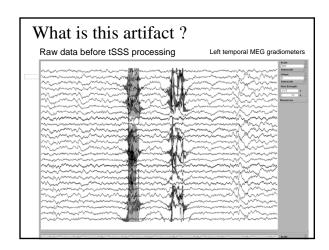
- · Magnetically shielded room
- Gradiometers: measurement of differential magnetic
- Real-time active compensation using reference sensors and external feedback coils (Vrba and Robinson 2001)
- Post-processing to remove noise
 - Signal space projection (SSP) (Uusitalo and Ilmoniemi 1997)
 - Signal space separation (SSS) (Taulu and Kajola 2005)
 - Spatiotemporal signal space separetion (tSSS) (Taulu and Simola 2006)

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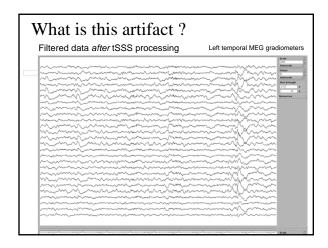
Other factors which corrupt the MEG (aka "artifacts")

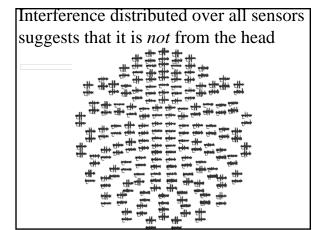
- Inadequate positioning of the patient
- Changes in the head position during the recording
- Incorrect co-registration
- Introduction of spurious signals during post-processing
- Errors in fitting

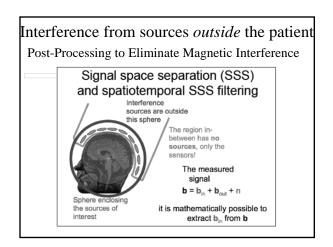
Sensor Noise: Flux jumps

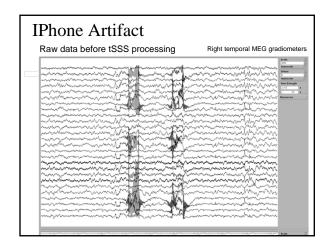


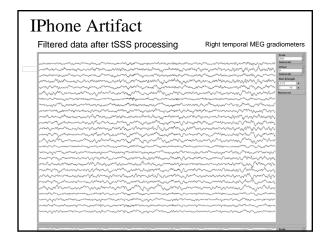
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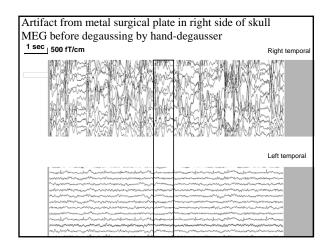
Magnetic artifacts from inside the patient

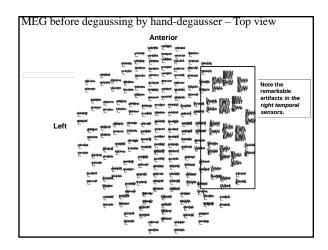
• Metallic foreign bodies

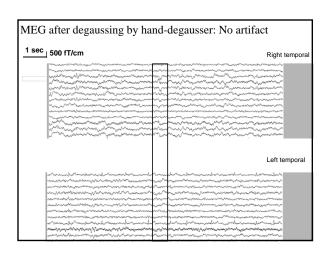
• Neurosurgical clips or plates

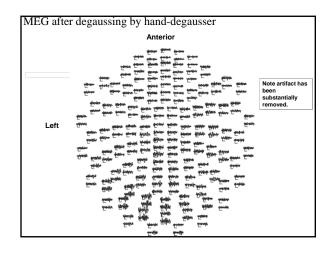
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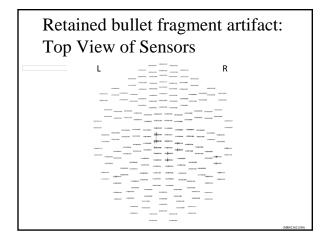
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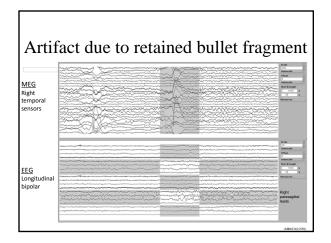




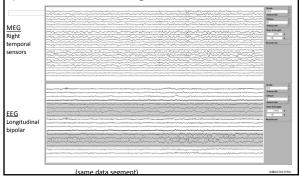


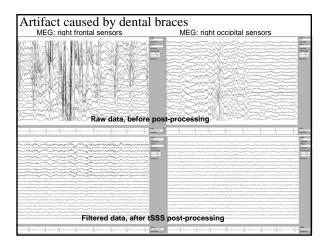






Artifact due to retained bullet fragment-After tSSS Filtering

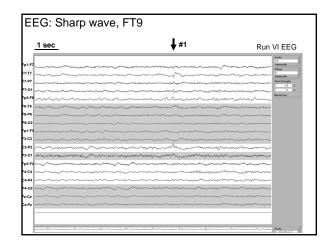


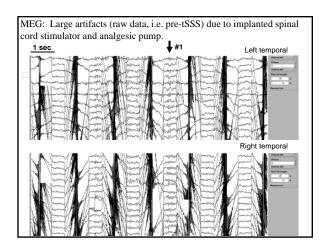


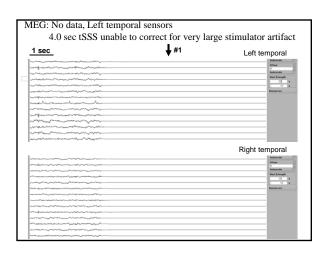
Magnetic artifacts from inside the patient

- Implanted electronic devices
 - Pacemaker
 - PumpsVNS
- Intracranial devices
 - Shunts
 - Cochlear implants
 - Responsive Neural Stimulators

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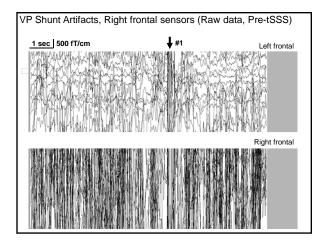


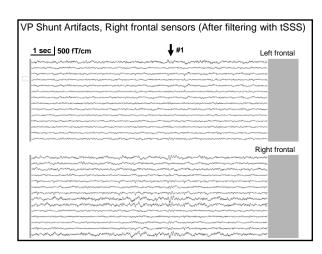
Programmable Non-magnetic VP Shunt

- Metallic parts, somewhat magnetizable
- But does not contain permanent magnet

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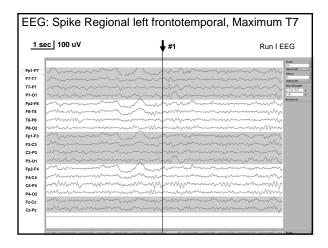


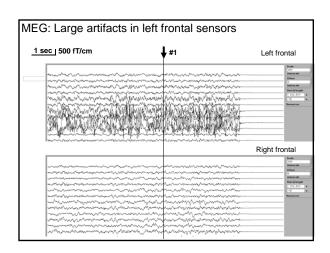




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Programmable Magnetic VP Shunt Flow is controlled by adjusting the tension using a patented "magnetic rotor" This device contains a permanent magnet Stratu Adjustable Pressure Value Reservoir Distal Occluder Delta Chamber Integral Inlet Connector Integral Outlet Connector Integral O





Dipole no	on-localizable due to large artifact in left se	nsors

Is it impossible to record MEG in patients with implants?

FROM THE WEB-SITE OF AN AMERICAN MEG LAB IN THE NORTHEAST (2010):

"The following implants/items ARE NOT allowed into the MEG:
Braces
Cochlear implants
Defibrillators (IAED)
Pacemakers
PCA Pumps
Programmable VP Shunts
Vagal Nerve Stimulators"

FROM A PUBLICATION BY AN AMERICAN EPILEPSY SURGERY PROGRAM IN THE SOUTHWEST (J. Neurosurg 107 (6 Suppl Pediatrics); 519-520, December 2007):

"Patients with epilepsy and an implanted vagus nerve stimulation (VNS) device who are referred for consideration of definitive epilepsy surgery (removal of the epileptogenic cortex) may require magnetoencephalography (MEG). a study requiring explantation of the pulse generator, as part of their evaluation. Upon completion of MEG, if pulse generator replacement proves desirable, atraumatic retrieval of the electrode connector pin and body is easy."

Implanted Sources of Interference

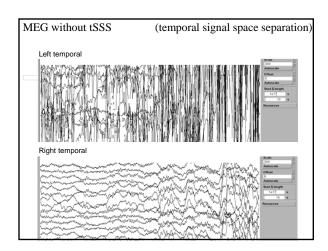
<u>IMPLANT</u>	NUMBER of PATIENTS
Intracranial plates and clips	12
CSF Shunts	4
Braces or permanent metallic bridg	ges 81
Non-dental mandibular implants	2
ActiveDevices: VNS	91
Pacemakers	3
RNS (Neuro	pace) 1
Bilateral co	chlear implant 1
Other (VC filters in chest, plates in	extremities, etc.) 61

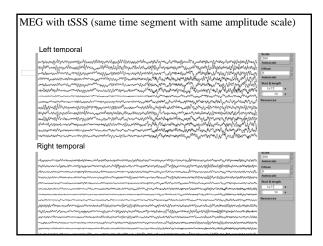
Cleveland Clinic Epilepsy Center, 2008-2014

Patient with multiple implants

- 20 y.o. RH female with seizure onset age 13
- Three seizure types:
 - Dialeptic → right version → right arm tonic → GTC
 - Bilateral limb myoclonus
- Generalized myoclonic with eye blinking and shoulder shrugging
 S / P VNS implantation 2 yrs ago with no benefit
- Scalp VEEG: Interictal and ictal discharges generalized
- Multiple body piercings, three of which were unremoveable (one in left ear)

EEG: Run I: Double banana bipolar EEG Fp1-F7 F7-T7 T7-P7 P7-O1 Fp2-F8 F8-T8 T8-P8 P8-O2 Fp1-F3 F3-C3 C3-P3 P3-O1 Fp2-F4 F4-C4 C4-P4 P4-O2 Fz-Cz Cz-Pz





Post-processing with tSSS filtering is of proven benefit

- "Without tSSS, and wearing braces, it was not possible to obtain a discernable evoked response, a dipole fit, or a dipole fit result that was not significantly shifted from the reference position."
- "We have further shown that tSSS is a required preprocessing step for data recorded these techniques enable the use of MEG for pre-surgical evaluation in a much larger clinical population than previously thought possible."

(Feasibility of clinical magnetoencephalography (MEG) functional mapping in the presence of dental artefacts. Hillebrand A, Fazio P, de Munck JC, van Dijk BW. Clin Neurophysiol; 2013 Jan;124(1):107-13.)

Post-processing both improves the yield of spikes and refines their localization accuracy

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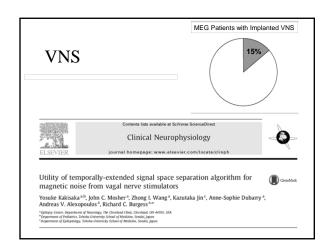
Implanted medical devices or other strong sources of interference are not barriers to magnetoencephalographic recordings in epilepsy patients

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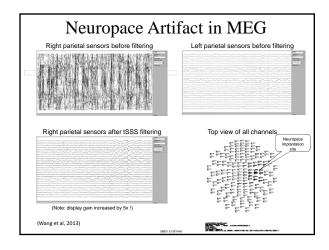
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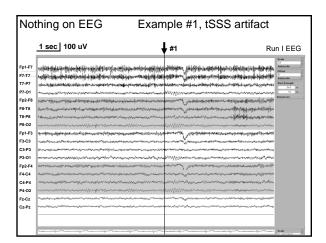


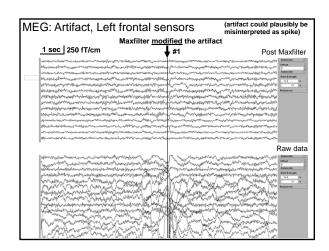
MEG can be obtained even with intracranial implanted devices Feasibility of magnetoencephalography recording in an epilepsy patient with implanted responsive cortical stimulation device Zhong Irene Wang, Andreas V. Alexopoulos, Dileep Nair, Balu Krishnan, John C. Mosher, Richard C. Burgess, and Yosuke Kakisaka Clinical Neurophysiology, 2013-68-1, Volume 124, Issue 8, Pages 1705-1706 Copyright © © 2013 International Federation of Clinical Neurophysiology

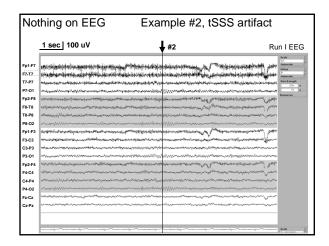


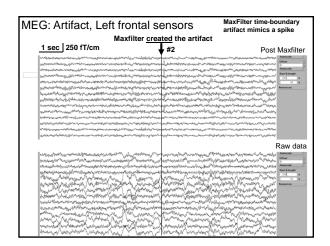
Artifacts due to post-processing

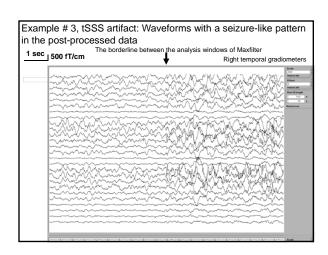
- Rare
- Most often occur as a result of processing a huge transient
- tSSS processing may "spread" an artifact occurring in a restricted number of channels
- Changes in the statistical properties of the signal between one epoch and the next may result in a "boundary artifact"

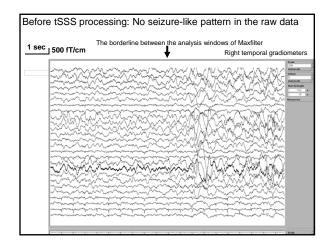


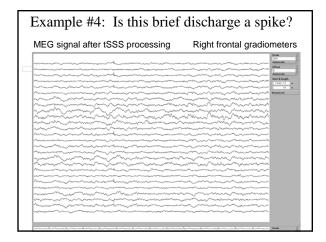


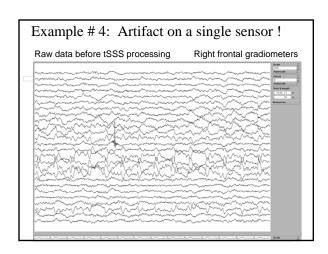










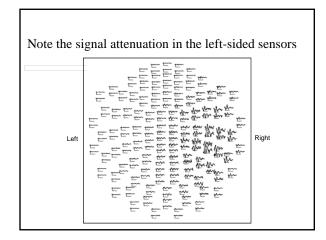


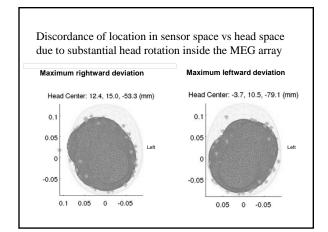
Problems due to head position in the array

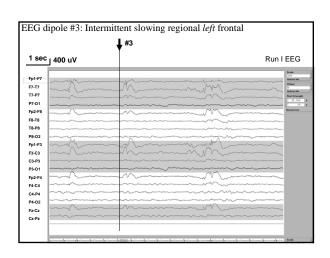
- Attenuation due to increased brain to sensor distance
- Misleading waveform appearance in sensor space
- Inadequate SNR in the attenuated regions
- · Insufficient inferior sensors when not fully inserted
- Seen most often in uncooperative children with small heads

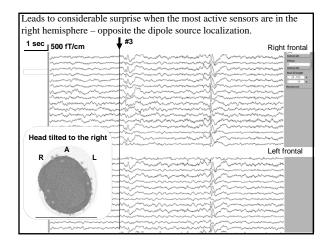
Head inadequately inserted into array Initial head position (data discarded) Head Center: -1.5, 19.0, -83.2 mm Final head position (sustained 63 min) Head Center: 3.1, 12.6, -49.2 mm

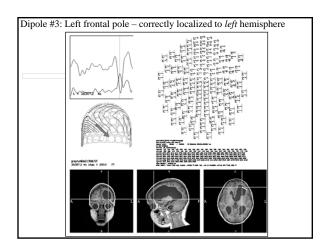
Head displaced towards one side Eighteen month old patient with a small head, deviated to the right. Produces a long distance between the sensors and the brain on the left. Coronal View Vertex Axial View Anterior 0.1 0.05 Right 0.05 0.05 0.05 0.05 0.05 0.05 0.05

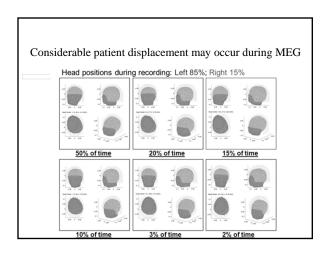






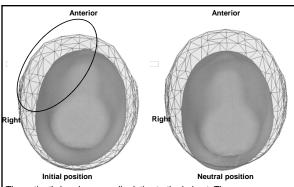






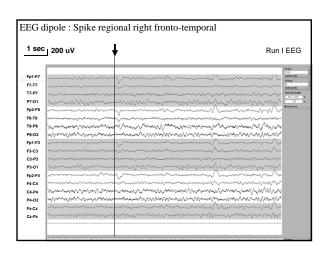
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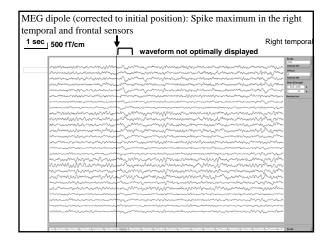
- Slow displacement from original position, not sudden movement artifact
- May lead to mislocalization if not corrected
- Continuous movement compensation (cHPI) capability available on some systems

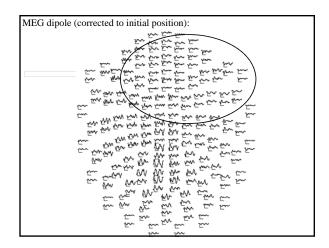


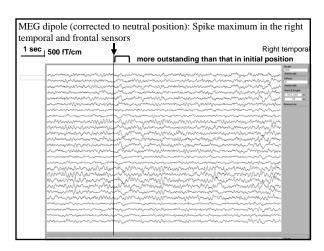
The patient's head was small relative to the helmet. There was some space between the inner wall of the helmet and the patient's right fronto-temporal region.

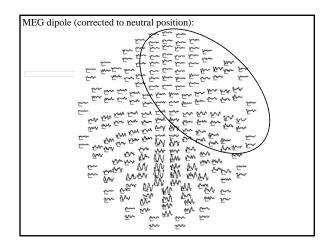
Necessitated head position correction.

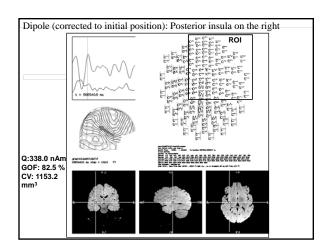


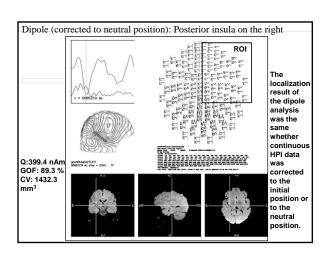




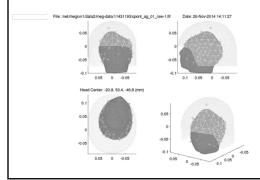






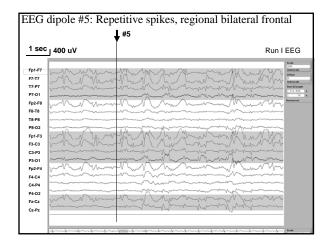


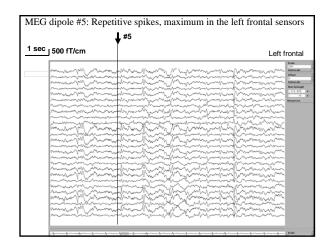
When the head must be corrected *too* far, the signal may become more noisy

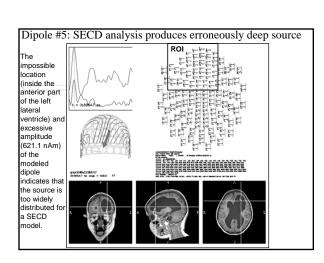


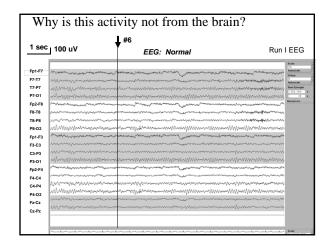
Errors during the fitting process

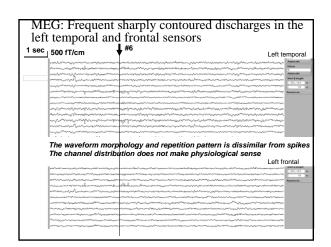
- You will get an answer; a "fit" can be obtained for any waveform, any timepoint
- A single equivalent current dipole will, by definition, provide a single point
- Baseline noise covariance must be taken into account
- Statistics and magnetic field pattern can help you decide when to reject a fit
- Be cautious when selecting the time point, baseline, and region of interest; these are subjective

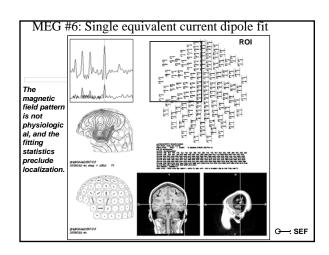








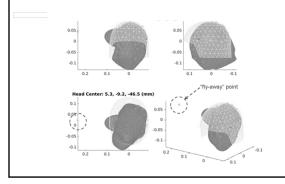




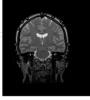
Careful coregistration of the MEG results with MRI is of crucial importance for localization

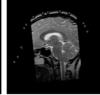


Erroneously acquired points lead to co-registration errors



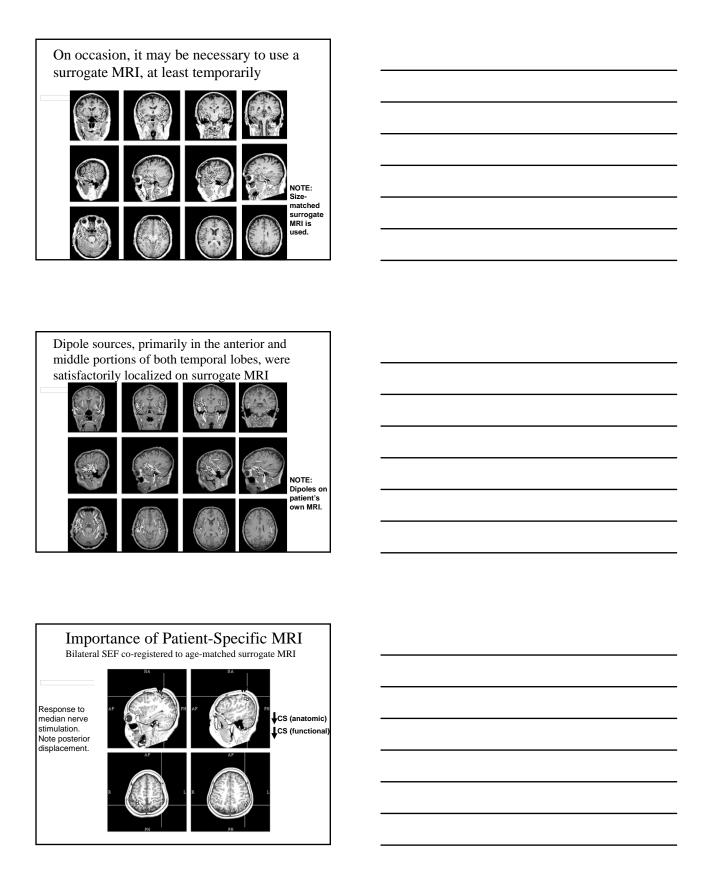
Coregistration errors can occur for a variety of reasons

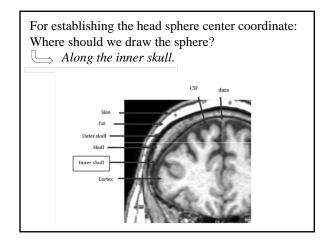


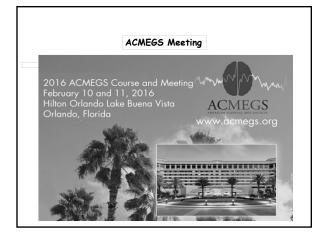




Coregistration to MRI: Pink dots (O) represent the points on the scalp which were registered during this MEG recording. For the areas of missing slices, visual extrapolation was employed, as shown.





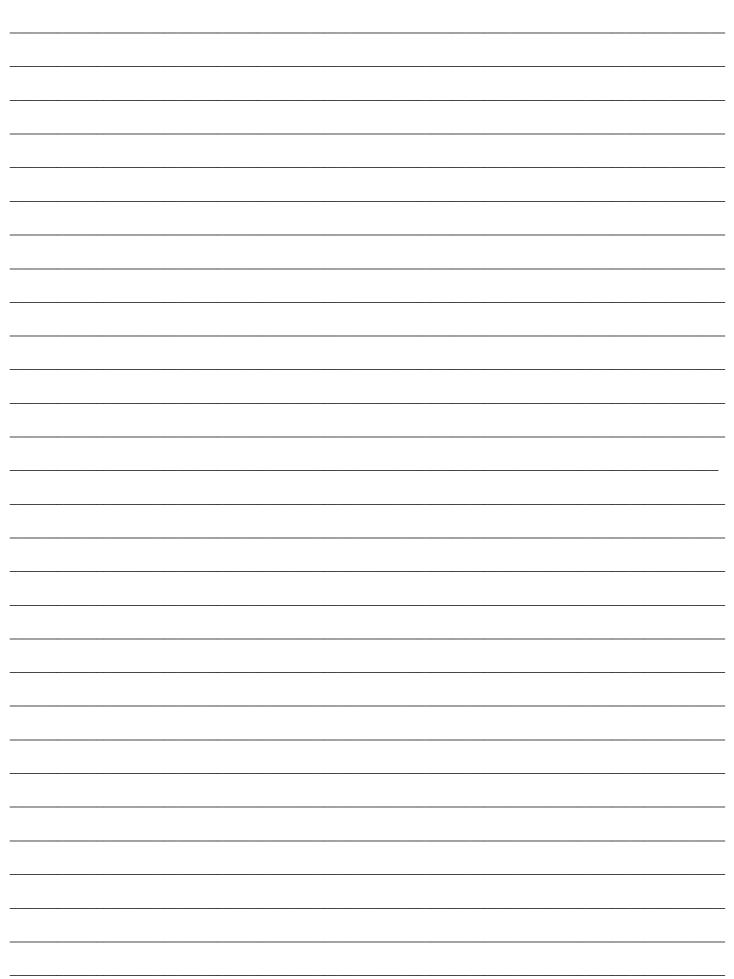




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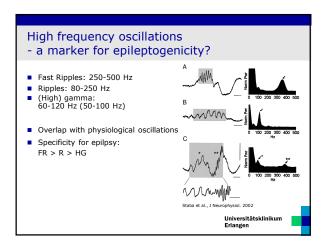
In recent years, novel markers for the epileptic network beyond interictal spikes and ictal seizure correlates have been described. Fast

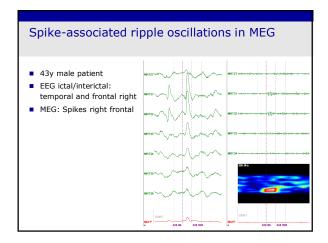
activity, from high gamma oscillations to ripples and fast ripples may be correlated to the pathomechanisms of epilepsy. Detection cossible using mainly invasive recordings, however recent advances may offer methods for non-invasive evaluation. Slow wave at the other end of the frequency spectrum are detected using both invasive and non-invasive means. While this type of activity also occurs associated e.g. with large lesions and after intracranial surgery, certain subtypes may be utilized to localize the epileptic network complimentary to such frequency-based markers, alterations of the connectivity structure provide further insights in location and dynamics of epilepsy related areas. The presentation will give an overview of such alternative markers for the epileptic network. Current methods and clinical applications are presented and illustrated with case examples.	the urs ork. and
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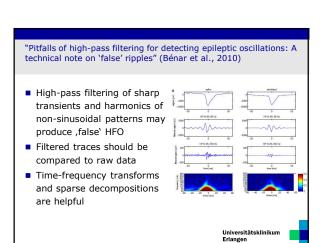
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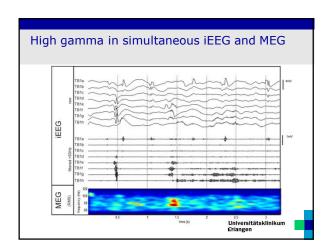
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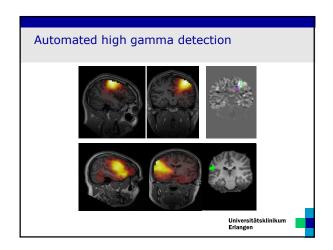


Spike-associated ripple oscillations in MEG Source localization of MEG ripple oscillation Concordant with seizure onset in V-EEG

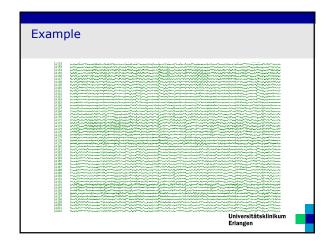


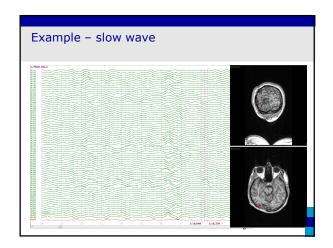


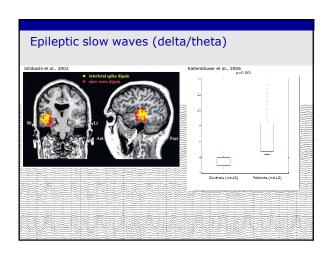
High gamma in simultaneous iEEG/MEG High gamma oscillations (HGO) in averaged MEG: 5/6 patients HFO source localization concordant with SOZ and/or resection: 4/5 patients



Fast ripple oscillations in MEG (Xiang et al., 2009) 26/30 HFO between 100-1000Hz 21/30 HFO localizations concordant with MRI lesion 9/11 operated patients MEG HFO concordant with iEEG 8/11 seizure free after surgery (at least 1 month) and concordant HFO localizations Fastest HFO at 910Hz

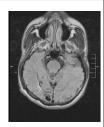




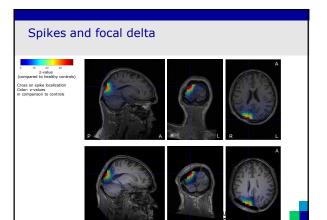


Patient

- Male patient
- Focal epilepsy since 20 years
- Semiology: optic, vision loss, but also epigastric, staring, stereotyped movements of both arms
- Cystic lesion occipital right
- First surgery 19 years ago
- EEG:
 - Interictal: 90% temporal right, 10% occipital right
 Ictal: unclear, temporal and occipital
- MEG: 90% occipital right near lesion, 10% temporal right
- Invasive EEG: Occipital seizure onset



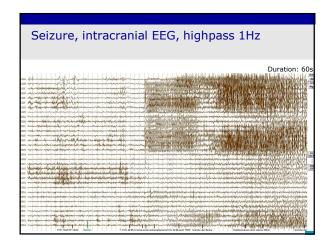
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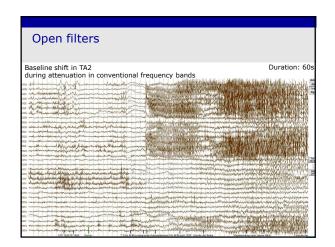


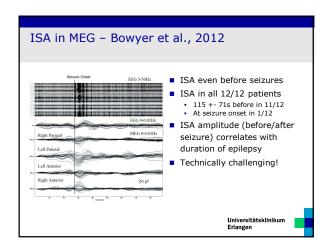
Focal delta in invasive EEG ■ Invasive evaluation (subdural EEG) ■ 1h of awake data Artifacts manually excluded Spectral analysis Visualization of relative power in delta band Universitätsklinikum Erlangen

Focal delta in patients with recurrent seizures 15 patients with recurrent seizures 14/15 focal distribution 11/15 increase of focal delta at spike localizations Distance delta peak and spike localization in these: 2.4cm (+-1.28cm) +15 seizure free patients after surgery +15 controls

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What actually is ISA?

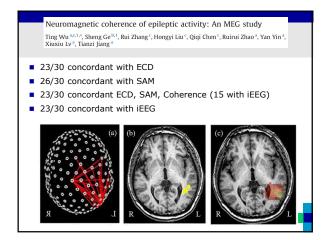
- Cortical spreading depression?
- Large flux of K-ions to extracellular space
- Slow spreading wave of neuronal suppression after initial hyperexcitation
- Also in migraine, TBI, anoxia, ...
- Glial component?

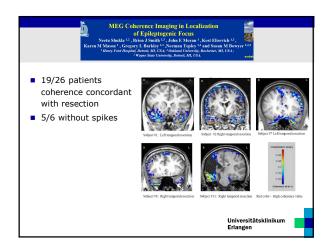
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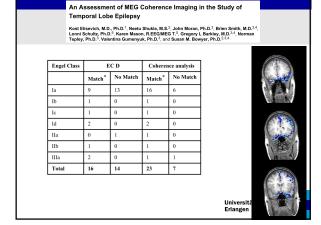
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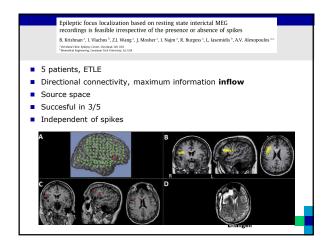
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Connectivity: The idea How do we untangle the wiring of the brain??









Summary

- Alternative markers are associated with the epileptic network:
 ISA, focal delta, HGO, HFO, connectivity
- Information beyond spikes and seizures (?)
- CAVE: ,False' epileptic ripples

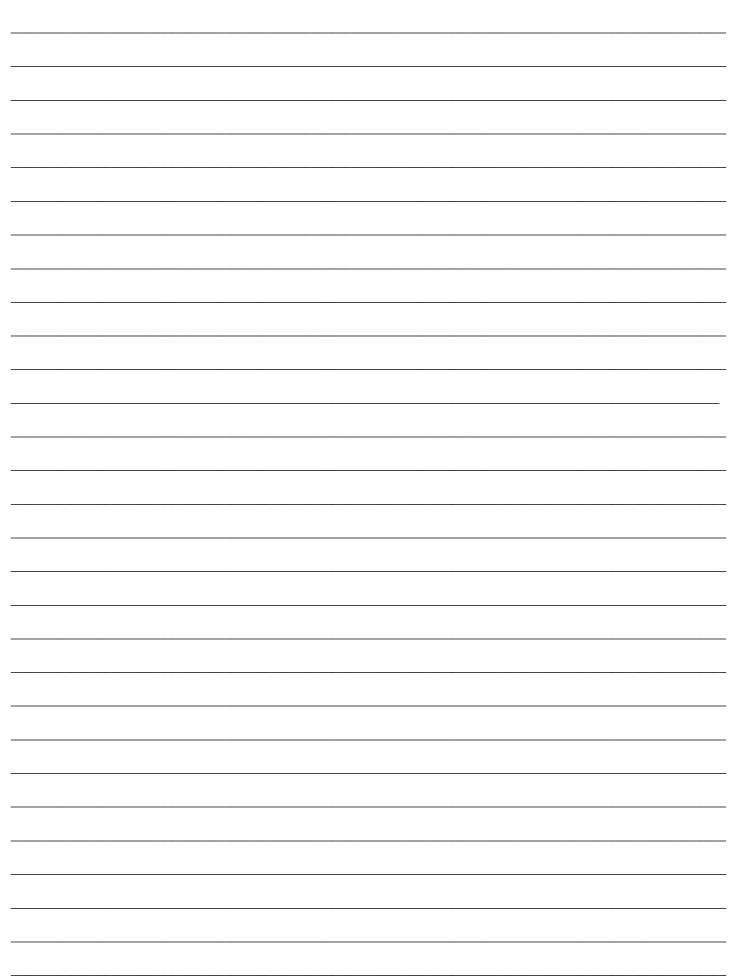
Next steps:

- Better methods and tools
- Clinical validation
- Standards!

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Integration of MEG with Other Brain Imaging Modalities and Intracranial EEG Irene Wang, Cleveland



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Integration of MEG with Other	
Brain Imaging Modalities and Intracranial EEG	
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Outline	
MEG & MRI Postprocessing	
MEG & SPECT MEG & SEEG	
Multi-modal Imaging Integration	
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MEG & MRI Postprocessing	
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Registration to a standard stereotaxic space Correction for intensity nonuniformity Tissue classification Comparison to control Can be optimized to be applied on individual patients

Morphometric Analysis Program (MAP) MAP is a specific VBM package optimized to be applied on an individual level. MAP is especially sensitive to subtle abnormalities associated with blurring in the gray-white matter junction. Such areas may be associated with an underlying cortical dysplasia. Map is a specific VBM package optimized in large of lar

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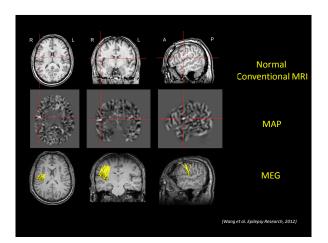
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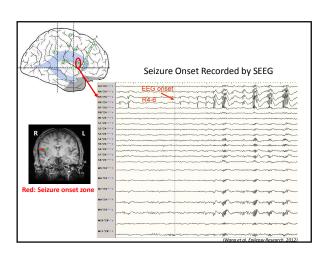
Illustrative Case LH 30-year-old male, initial seizure at age 12 Aura -> L Face (+/- arm) Tonic/Clonic -> GTC Aura: tingling sensation deep in throat spreading to left face Frequency: up to 10 / day Consciousness preserved entirely during these events

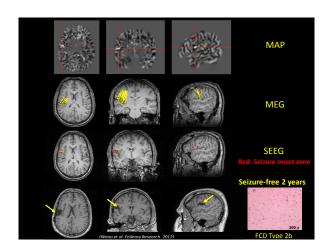
Scalp EEG: no interictal abnormalities non-localizable EEG seizures PET and SPECT: nonspecific MRI: 2003 MRI: Normal 2008 MRI: Normal

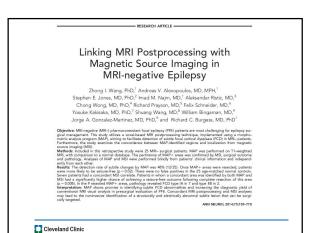
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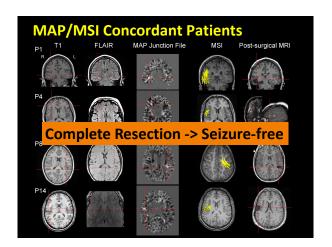
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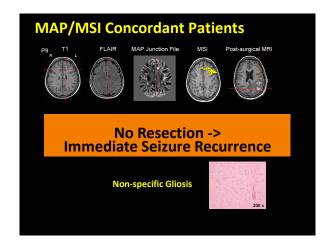


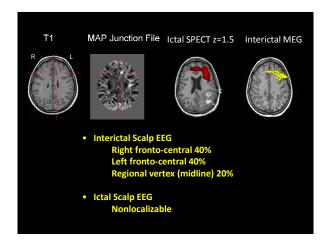


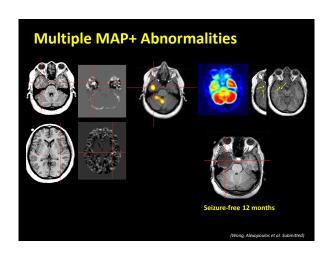


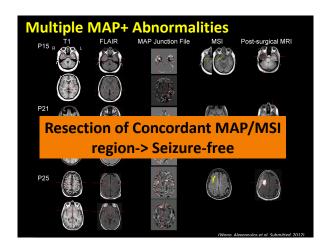












F	Results		
	МАР	Seizure Free	Not Seizure Free
	Resected	6	0
	Not Resected Negative	8	11
	N=25	14	11
	р	= 0.02 (Fisher's exact tes	(Wang, Alexopoulos et al. Submitted, 2012)

F	Results		
	MEG	Seizure Free	Not Seizure Free
	Resected	9	2
	Not Resected Negative	5	9
	N=25	14	11
	p	= 0.04 (Fisher's exact tes	St) (Wang, Alexapoulos et al. Submitted, 2012)

F	Results		
	MAP/MEG	Seizure Free	Not Seizure Free
	Resected	7	0
	Not Resected Negative	7	11
	N=25	14	11
	ρ	= 0.008 (Fisher's exact to	(Wang, Alexapoulas et al. Submitted, 2012)

MEG & SPECT

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Magnetic source imaging in non-lesional neocortical epilepsy: Additional value and comparison with ICEEG $\,$

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MEG & SEEG

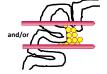
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Definition of SEEG contacts "in the MEG cluster"

 SEEG contacts are located in the same gyrus with a cluster, or in the same sulcus and adjacent gyri

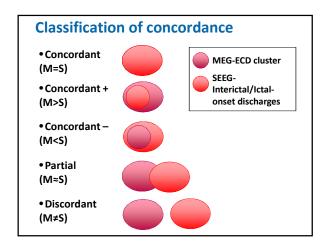


OR



1 gyrus

1 sulcus and adjacent 2 gy



Sampling of MEG by SEEG

	Full Sampling	No or Partial Sampling	Total
Seizure free	16	6	22
Not seizure free	10	18	28
Total	26	24	50

p=0.012

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Concordance and Outcome

	Concordance MEG SEEG inter-icta		
	Concordant	Partial	Total
Seizure free		1	9
Not seizure free	3	10	12
Total			22
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p=0.0075

	Concordance MEG cluster with SEEG ictal onset		
	Concordant	Partial	Total
Seizure free		•	6
Not seizure free	2	10	12
Total	ò	10	18

p=0.0015

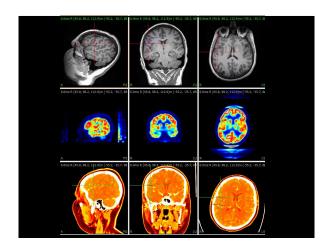
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MEG Resection and Outcome	
Complete Partial or No Total	-
Seizure free	
Total 11 39 50	
p=0.0012	
SEEG onset Resection and Outcome	
Seizure free 13 10 23	
Total 25 25 50	
p=0.57	
Conclusions	
 Conclusively positive MEG increases the chances of sampling the epileptic area with SEEG. 	
 Therefore, MEG clusters should never be ignored when planning the SEEG strategy. 	
Given the favorable results when MEG and SEEG are	-
concordant, we could hypothesize that some of the patients with partial concordance could become	
seizure free with appropriately revised targeting.	
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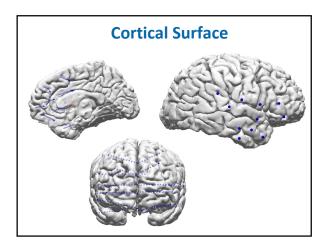
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Multi-modal Integration

- Image Fusion: MRI (T2, FLAIR), PET, SPECT, MEG, MAP, vasculature (CTA)
- Talairach grid
- Realistic rendering of cortical surface
- Export trajectory to neuronavigation system

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Localizing Language Function with MEG

Catherine Leigeois-Chauvel, Cleveland

Non-invasive assessment of hemispheric dominance for receptive language using magnetoencephalography (MEG) is now a well-established procedure used across several epilepsy centers in the context of pre-surgical evaluation of children and adults, while they are awake, alert, and attentive. Several tasks (e.g. recognition memory task for spoken words, picture naming, verb generation, semantic decision) are used to localize the receptive language cortex and make the subsequent estimation of hemispheric dominance based on hemispheric differences in the degree of activity in the temporo-parietal cortex. All these tasks need the cooperation of the patient to reliably reveal the eloquent areas.

The analysis of intracerebral evoked responses -- recorded from the auditory cortex in epilepsy patients during the pre-surgical evaluation -- has shown that the temporal processing of the voiced syllable /ba/ compared to voiceless syllable /pa/ took place specifically in the left auditory cortex, therefore providing an electrophysiological marker of the hemispheric dominance for language (Liegeois-Chauvel et al. 1999). This result has been replicated with high density surface EEG (Trebuchon et al. 2005).

We will present some preliminary MEG data from control subjects and epilepsy patients listening passively to these syllables, showing that this perceptive task could be very helpful for lateralizing language, even in non-cooperative patients or children.				



LOCALIZING LANGUAGE FUNCTION WITH MEG

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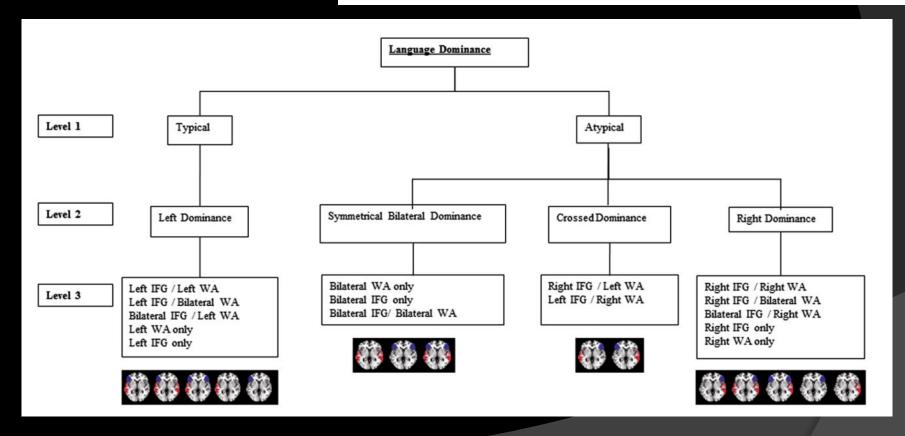
Importance of hemispheric language assessment in epilepsy surgery

Unlike the abrupt changes that occurs following brain injury disrupting language network, converging evidence suggests that the chronic nature of epileptic activity can result in a developmental shift of language from the left to the right hemisphere or re-routing of language pathways from traditional to non traditional areas within the dominant left hemisphere.

According to the literature, the atypical language representation occurs in 20 to 30% of epilepsy patients and only about 5 % of healthy volunteers

Characterization of Atypical Language Activation Patterns in Focal Epilepsy

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Annals of Neurology, 2014

Brain Activation Tasks using MEG

Receptive language function

- Continuous auditory words recognition task (Papanicolaou et al, 2004)
- Picture Naming Task and Verb Generation (Bowyer et al., 2005)
- Oddball stimulation with one-syllable words (Kim & Chung, 2008)
- Auditory verb generation task (Findlay et al, 2012)
- Semantic decision task (Tanaka et al, 2013)
- Verbal Fluency and verbal memory tasks (Primoradi et al. 2016)

Language Lateralization and Localization

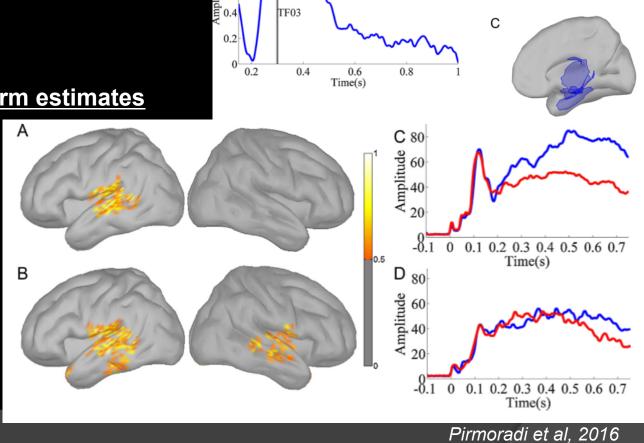
Temporo-spatial principal analysis

Healthy subjects



Healthy subjects

Epilepsy patients

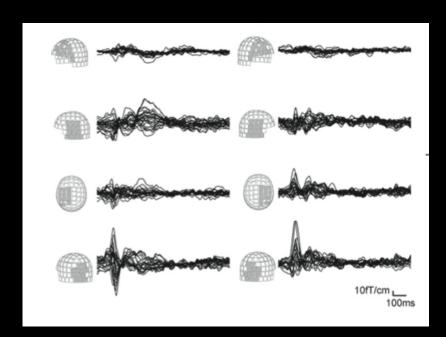


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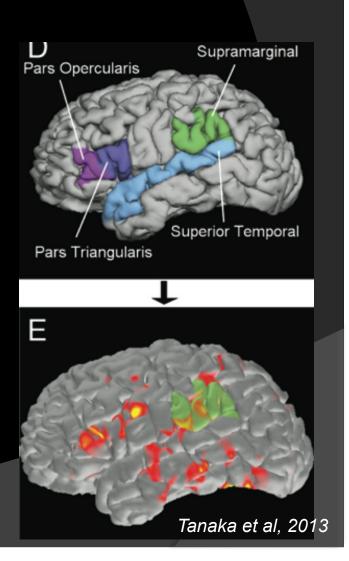
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dSPM method

Time window analysis 250-550ms

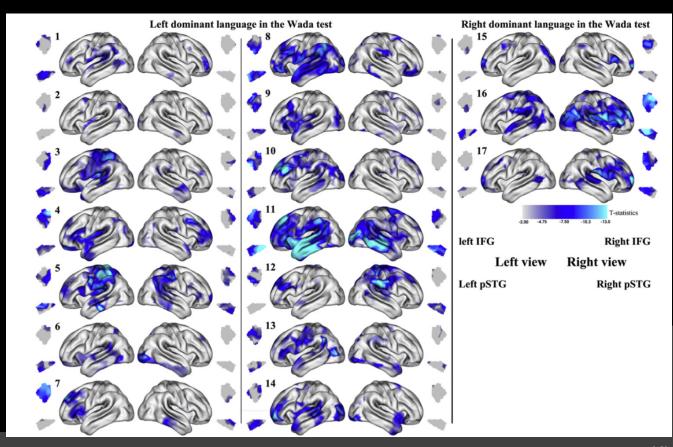


Language lateralization seems to be more correlated with the size of the activated cortex than the strength of activation



Language Lateralization and Localization

Decrease in beta band oscillatory activity for deviant stimuli

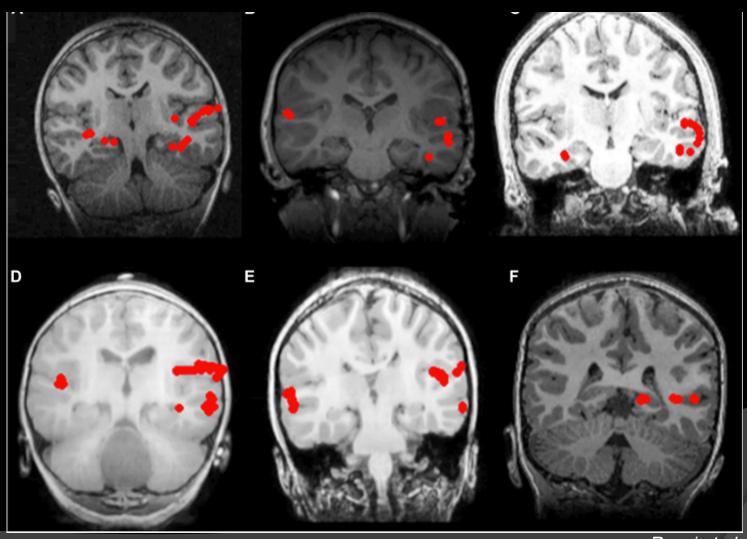


Challenging questions

➤ Is it possible to develop a reliable task for passive receptive language mapping?

Is it possible to assess language in noncooperative patients or children?

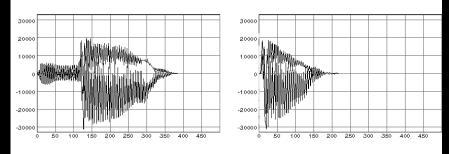
Receptive language mapping with MEG with and without sedation

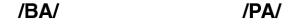


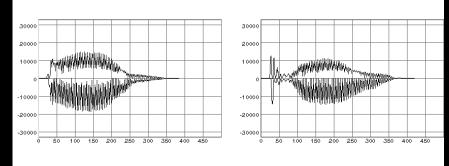
Receptive language assessment using passive listening to /ba/ & /pa/ syllables



French speaker



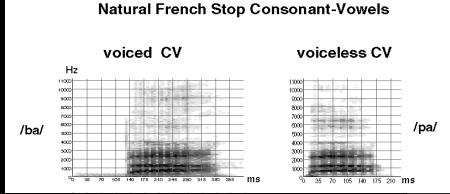


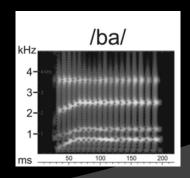


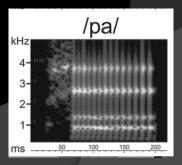
English speaker

Time Frequency

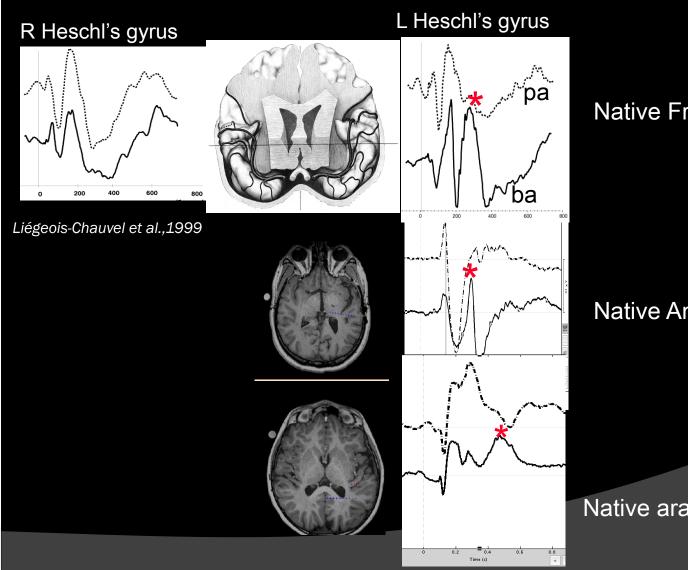
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Acoustic Temporal Processing of Syllables Regardless the Native Language



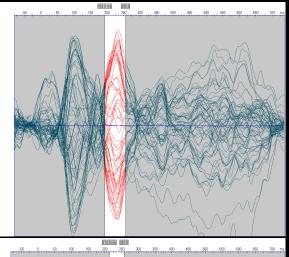
Native French speaker

Native American speaker

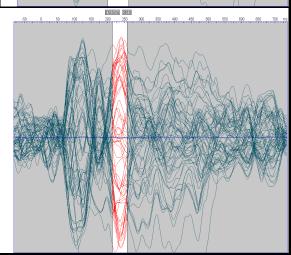
Native arabic child speaker

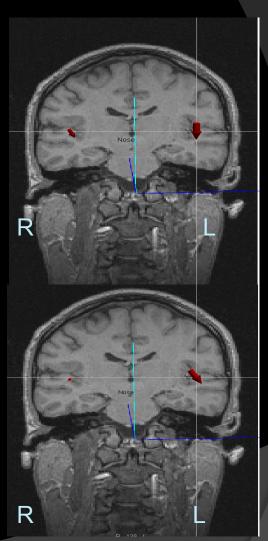
High Density Surface EEG and dipole fitting

R. /ba/ stimulation



L. /ba/ stimulation



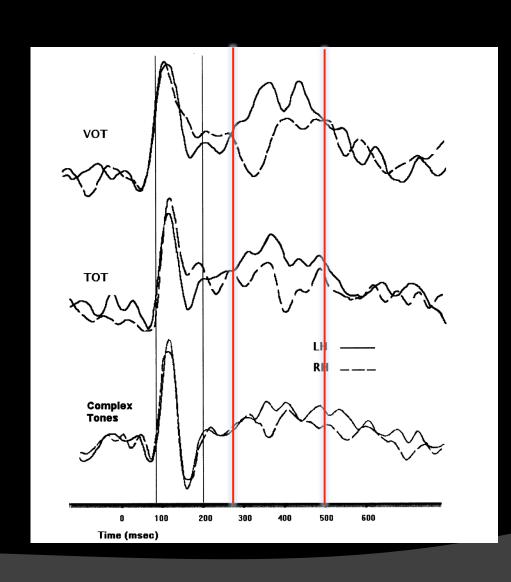


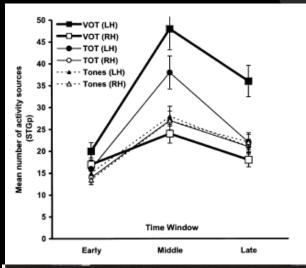
Processing of VOT takes place in the left auditory cortex regardless

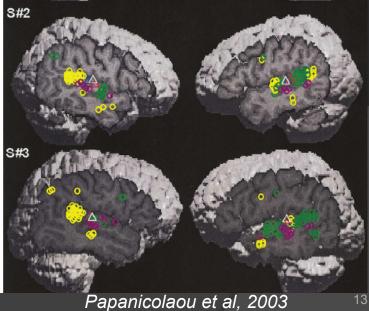
ear stimulated

Trebuchon et al, 2005

Superiority of left hemisphere for VOT processing using MEG







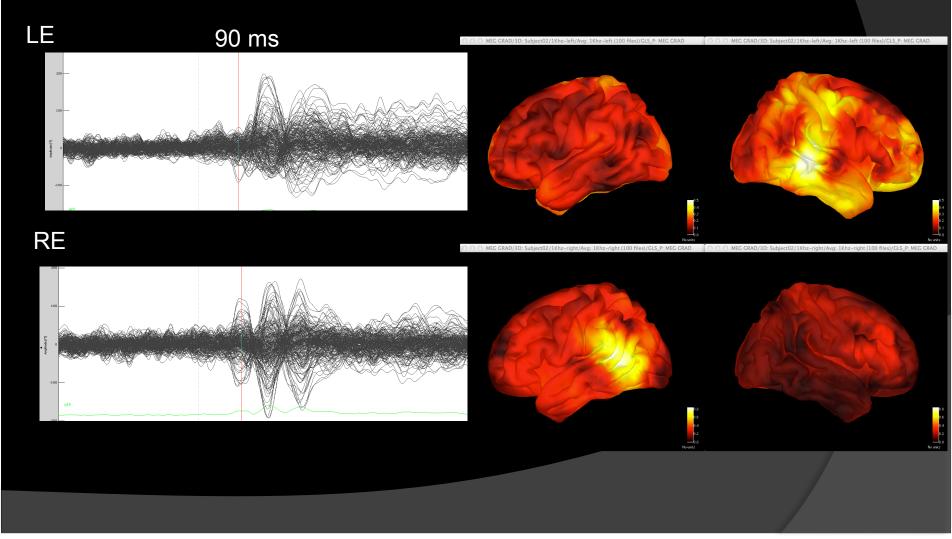
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- Determine the auditory threshold for pure tones, ba/pa, word recognition
- Pure tones delivered to the left and right ear

TASKS

- Ba/ pa bilaterally delivered
- Word recognition
- Data processingDipole fittingBrainstorm

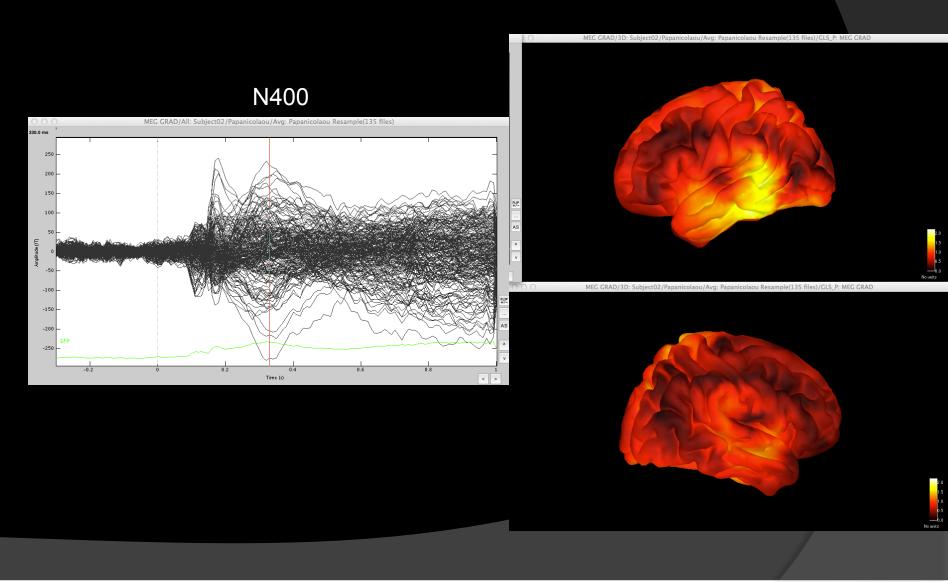
AUDITORY EVOKED FIELD to pure tones



AUDITORY EVOKED FIELD to syllables

350 ms ₂₀₀ - ba pa

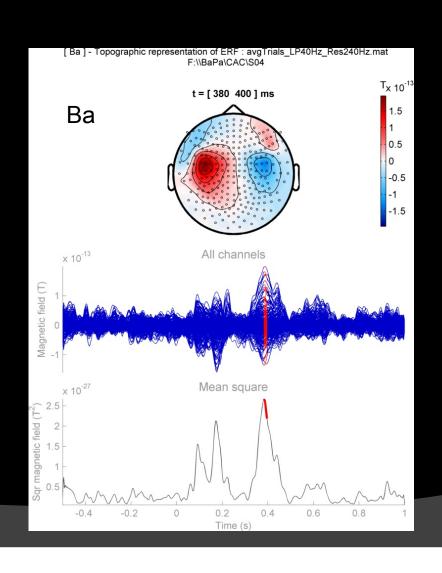
AUDITORY EVOKED FIELD to words

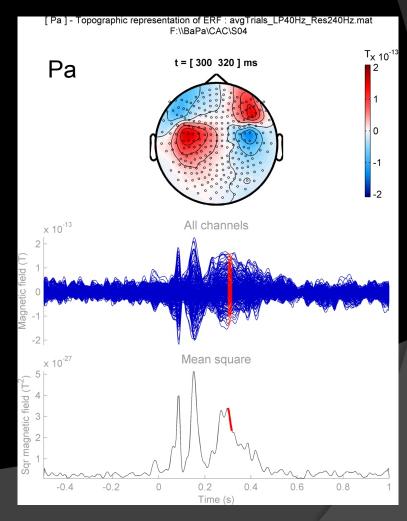


Language Lateralization MEG Center- Marseille (France)

- Determine the auditory threshold for pure tones
- 200 "Ba" and 200 "Pa » randomly delivered
- MEG Data Set
 Healthy subjects
 Simultaneous recordings SEEG-MEG in epilepsy patients
- Data Processing
 Source reconstruction: estimation of the field at the source level from the surface data and a head model: Beamforming

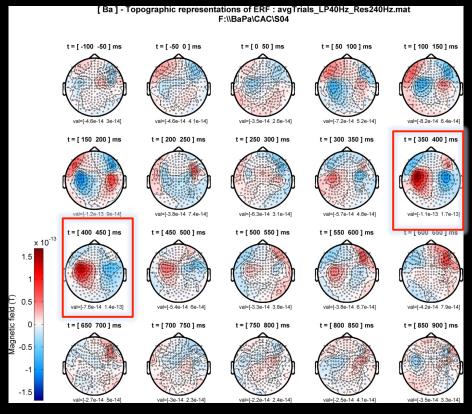
Topography at the latency of the Release component of Ba

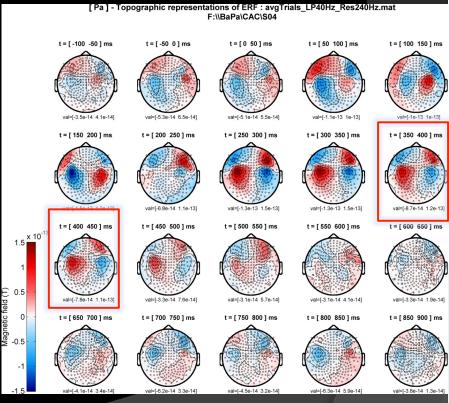




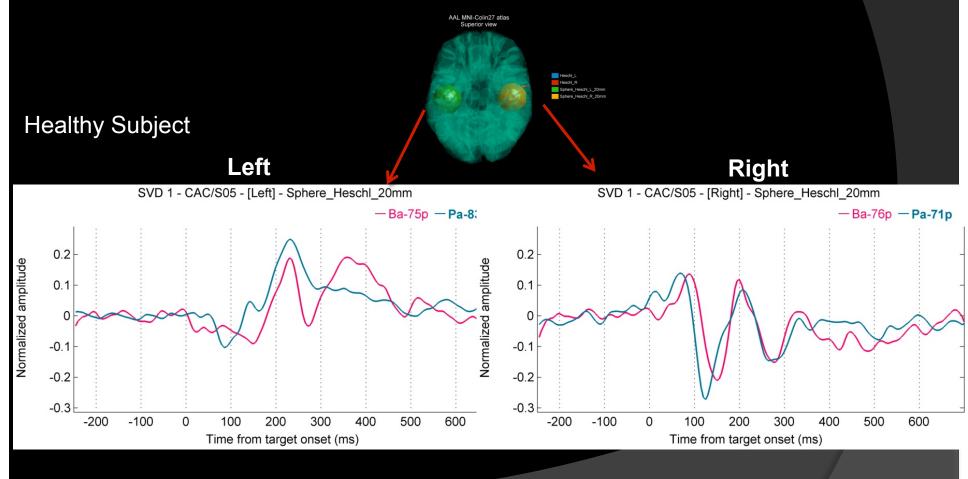
Topographic representation of ERF

Ba
Paraphic representations of ERE: avaTrials | PAOHz | Res240Hz | mat



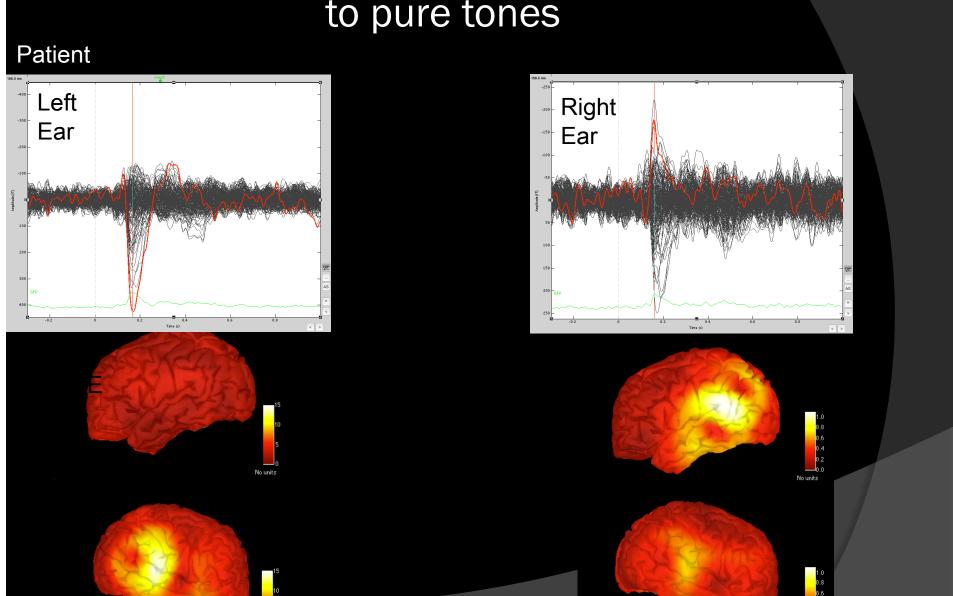






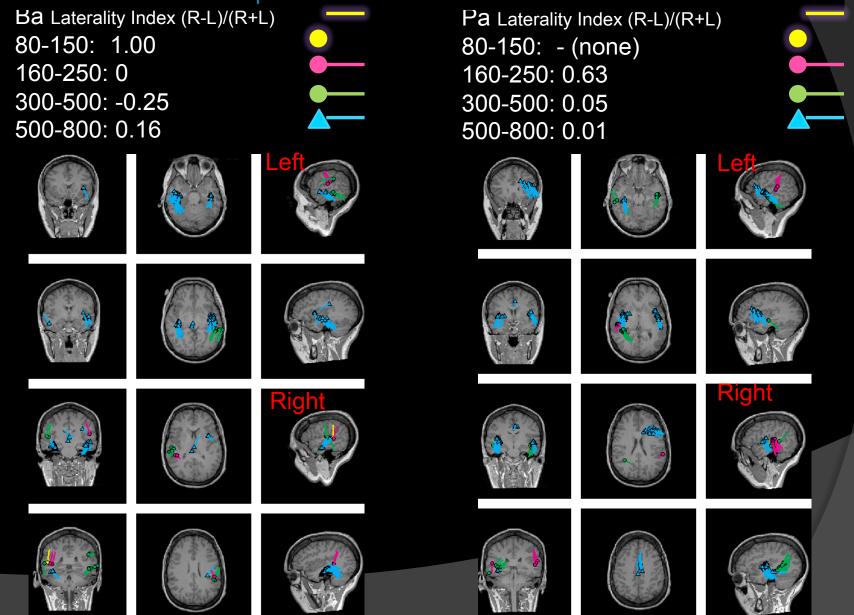
Ba: Release component ~300 ms at the Left side

AUDITORY EVOKED FIELD to pure tones

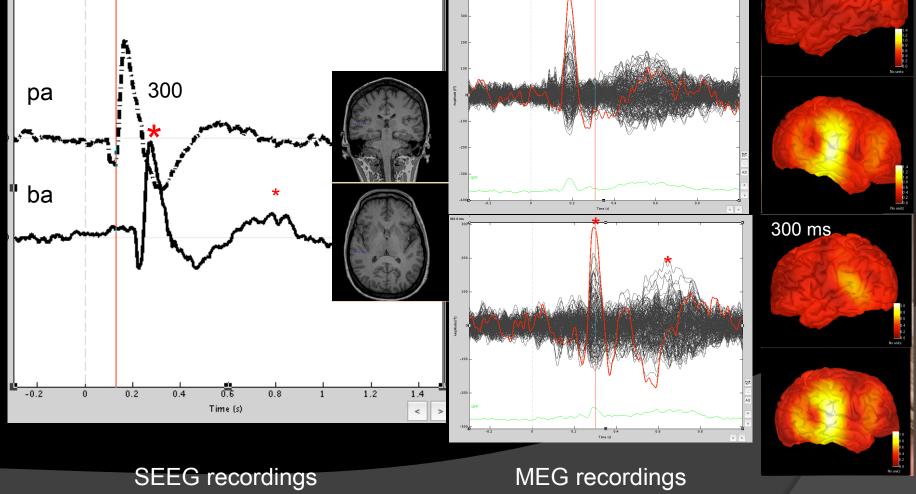


Fitting Dipoles for Ba and Pa stimulation

Number of dipoles with GOF > 80% and CV < 1000mm³:

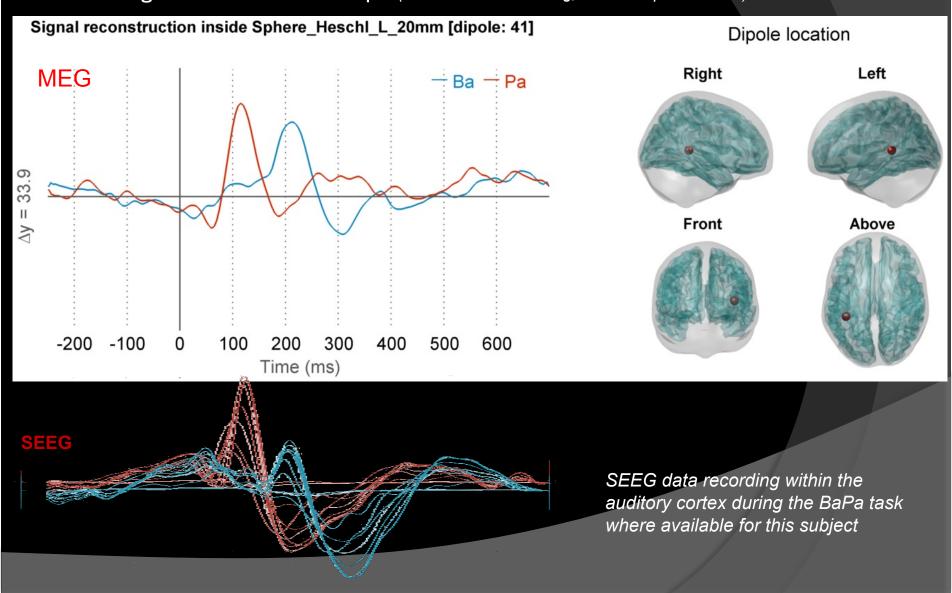


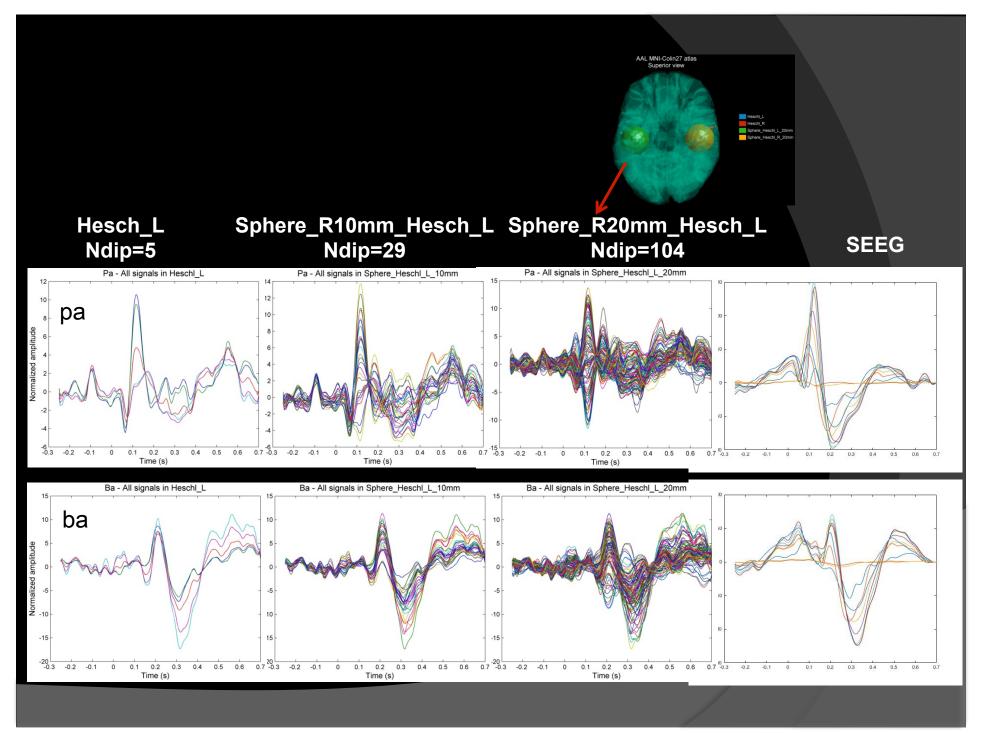
AUDITORY EVOKED RESPONSES to syllables: comparison Intracerebral and MEG recordings 190 ms 300



Simultaneous Recordings SEEG - MEG

Source signal reconstruction example (from MEG beamforming, at some dipole location)





Conclusion

- MEG can capture the physiological mechanisms underlying language perception
 - More than one task should be used to reveal language function
 - A number of different methods should be used to assess the language network (dSPM, MNE, beamforming etc...)
 - Passive listening demonstrates that language lateralization starts at the level of auditory cortex and may provide adequate information to accurately determine language dominance.



The State of MEG Fellowships Update and Announcements on MEG/EEG-Technologist Activities

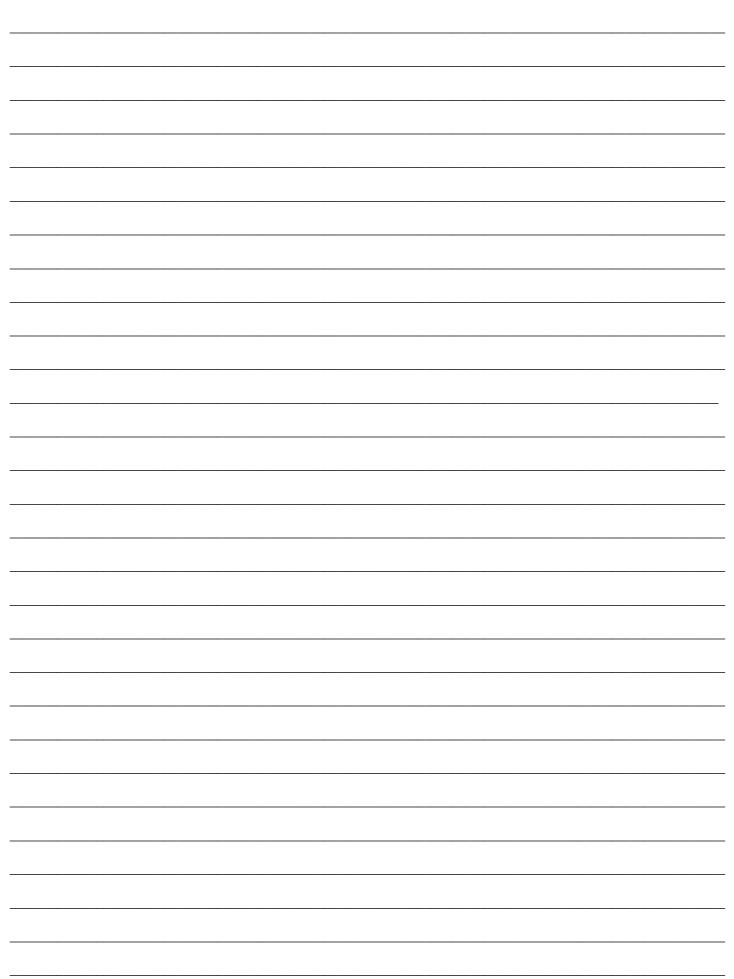
Richard C. Burgess, Cleveland





What's on the Horizon: Vendor Innovations and Plans

ANT Neuro North America – Frank Zanow Compumedics, USA – Curtis Ponton, Vice President, Chief Science Officer Elekta Neuroscience – Miikka Putaala, Director, Business Line MEG York Instruments – Gary Green, Director



American Clinical Magnetoencephalography Society (ACMEGS) **Annual Business Meeting**

Agenda

February 11, 2016 5:00 p.m. Camilla/Dogwood Room · Mezzanine Level

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- I. Call to Order (Dr. Burgess)
- II. Minutes of Previous Business Meetings (Dr. Burgess)
- III. President's Report (Dr. Burgess)
- IV. Financial and Membership Report (Dr. Bowyer)
- ٧. Public Relations Report (Dr. Bowyer)
- VI. ACMEGS Website (Dr. Ferrari)
- VII. **New Business**
 - ACMEGS committees (Dr. Burgess)
 - Joint Meeting with ACNS—hosting 31st ICCN in May 2018 (Dr. Burgess)
 - Tales from the reimbursement front (Drs. Hernandez and Funke)
 - Election of new Board of Directors members (Dr. Burgess)
- VIII. Announcements
- IX. Adjourn

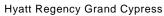


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