

Acute and Chronic Pain Management Practice in the New Millennium

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New Millennium

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A - Introduction

Acute Pain

Clinical Pain
Relief Service

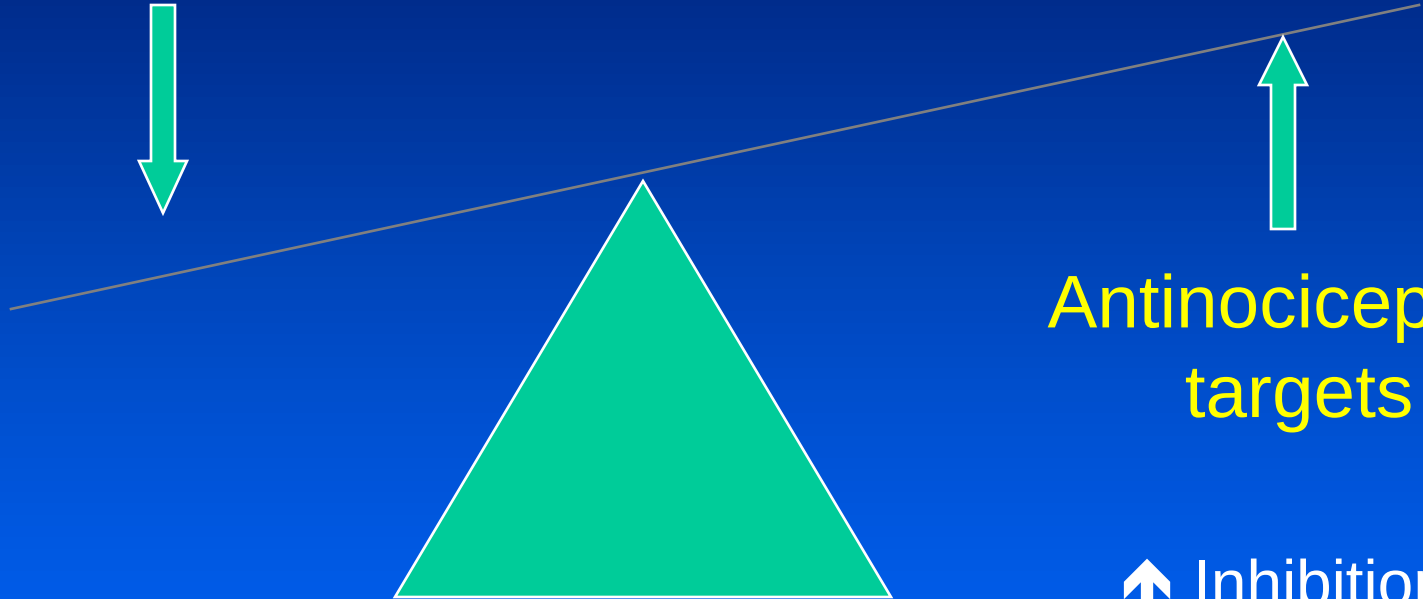


Chronic Pain

Cancer Pain

Enhanced Pain Management

Pronociceptive targets



Antinociceptive targets



↑ Inhibition

↓ Excitation

Facilitation

- Substance P
- Glutamate and EAA
- Serotonin (5HT_{2a}, 3a)
- Nerve growth factor
- CCK

Inhibition

- Descending anti-nociceptive pathways
- Norepinephrine-serotonin (5HT_{1a,b}), dopamine
- Opioids
- GABA
- Cannabinoids
- Adenosine

(Phillips K. Best Pract Res Clin Rheumatol 2011;25(2):141-54)

A - Introduction

- One in six New Zealanders (16.9%) suffer from **chronic pain** - data from the 2006/07 New Zealand Health Survey (Dominick C. NZ Med J 2011;124(1337):63-76)
- 48% used some form of medical treatment
- Prevalence increased with age from 8.6% to 28.1%
- Chronic pain represents a major health issue in New Zealand

B. Pain Conduction

Ligands with non-neuronal sources

Acetylcholine
ATP
Prostaglandin E
Opioids
Adenosine
Glutamate
Bradykinin, histamine
serotonin

Ligands in nociceptors:

Substance P
ATP
Neuropeptide Y
Cholecystokinin
Bombesin
Opioids
Adenosine
Glutamate
Somatostatin

Ligand

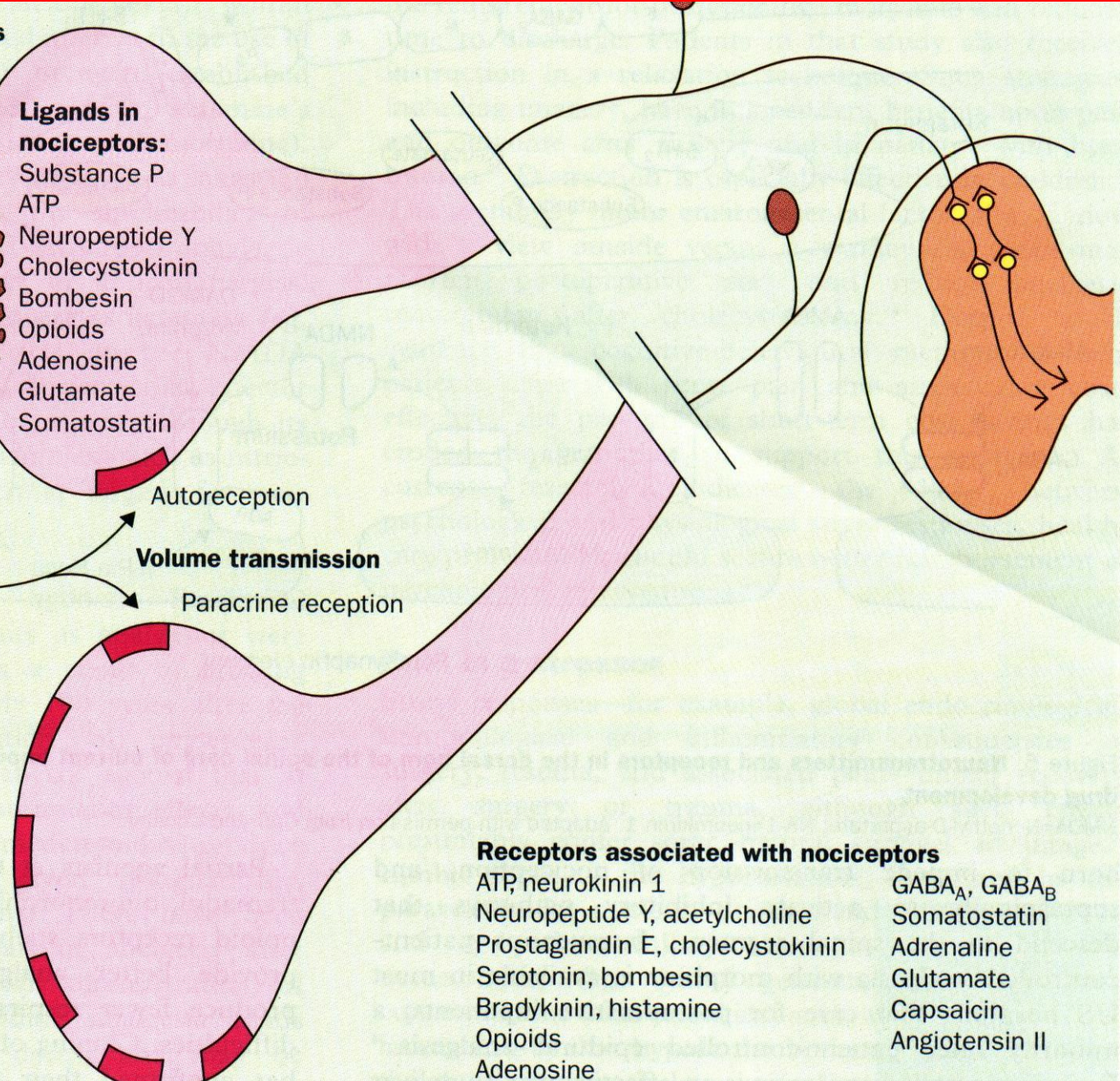
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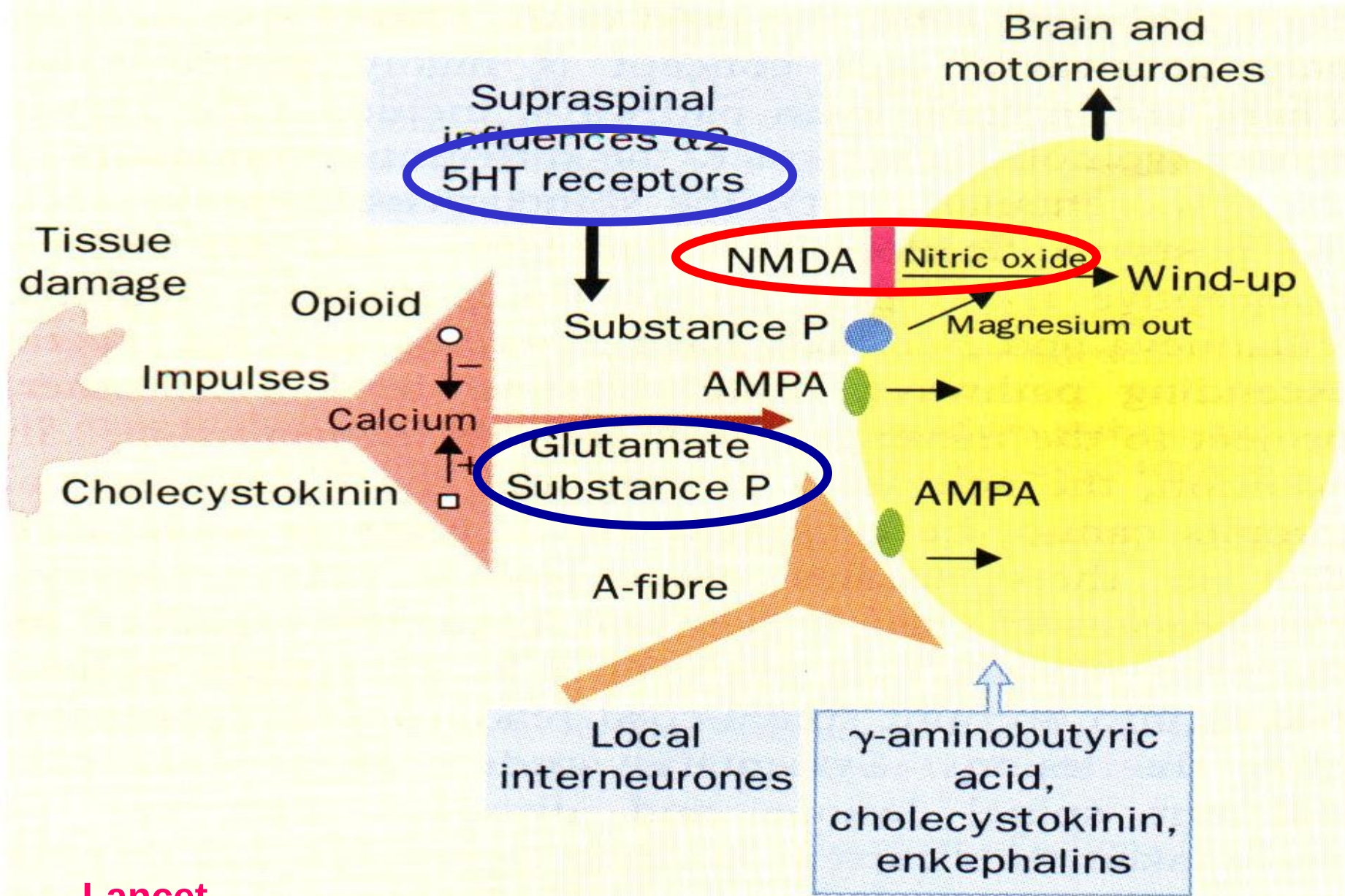
Volume transmission

Paracrine reception

Receptors associated with nociceptors

ATP, neurokinin 1	GABA _A , GABA _B
Neuropeptide Y, acetylcholine	Somatostatin
Prostaglandin E, cholecystokinin	Adrenaline
Serotonin, bombesin	Glutamate
Bradykinin, histamine	Capsaicin
Opioids	Angiotensin II
Adenosine	





Lancet
1999;353:1613

Interactions between different excitatory and inhibitory systems in the spinal cord

The Somatosensory System

Frontal Cortex

Somatosensory cortex

Thalamus

Hypothalamus

Descending Paths

Ascending Tracts

Midbrain

Periaqueductal Gray Matter

**Descending
Facilitatory**

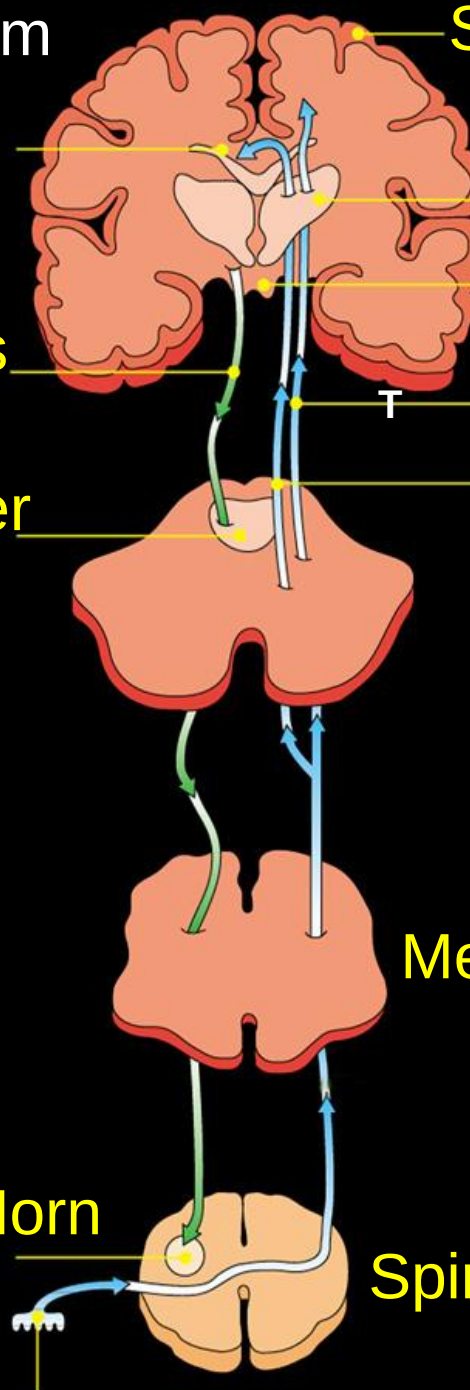
**Glial Cell
Activation**

Medulla

Dorsal Horn

Peripheral Receptor
Activation

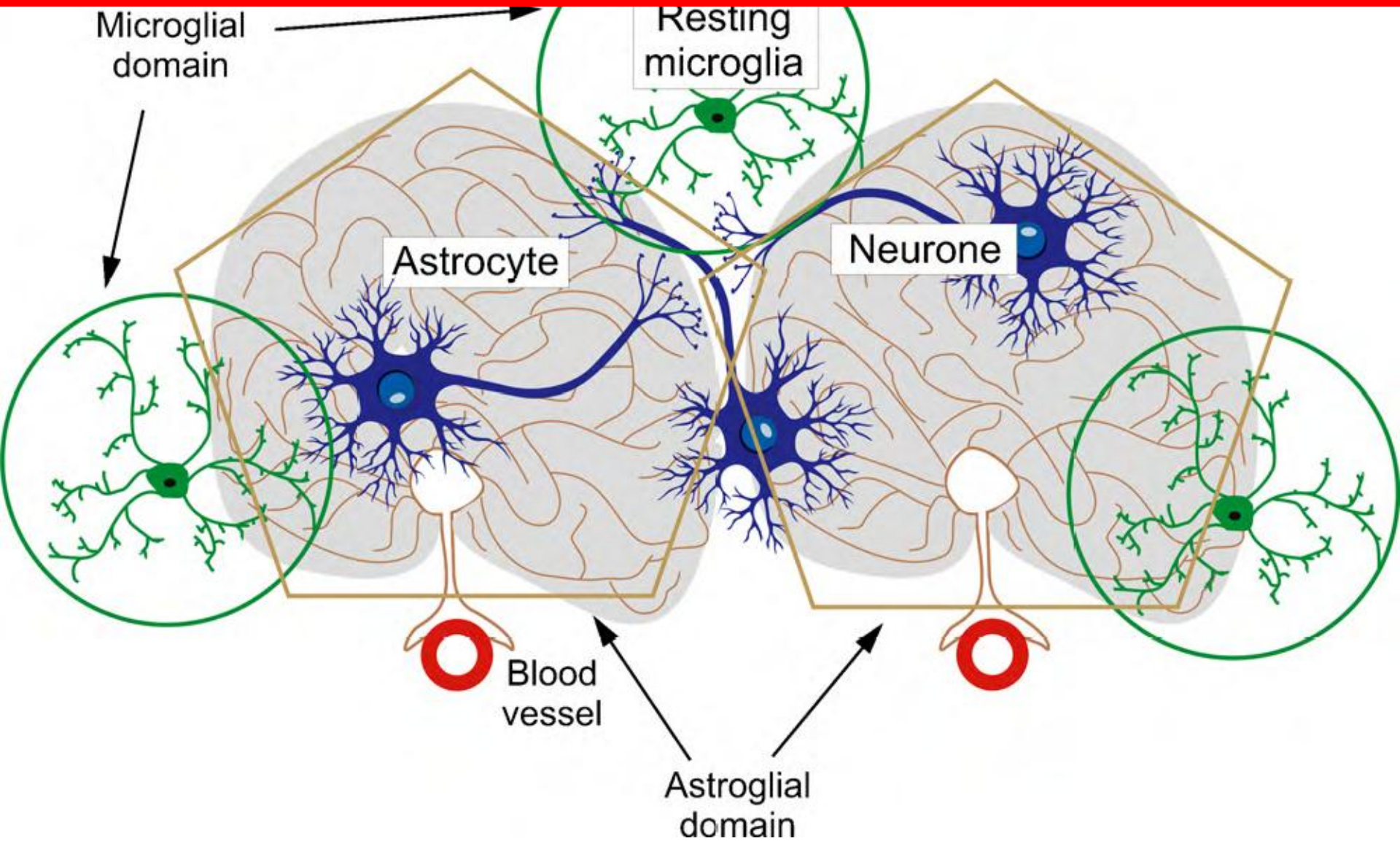
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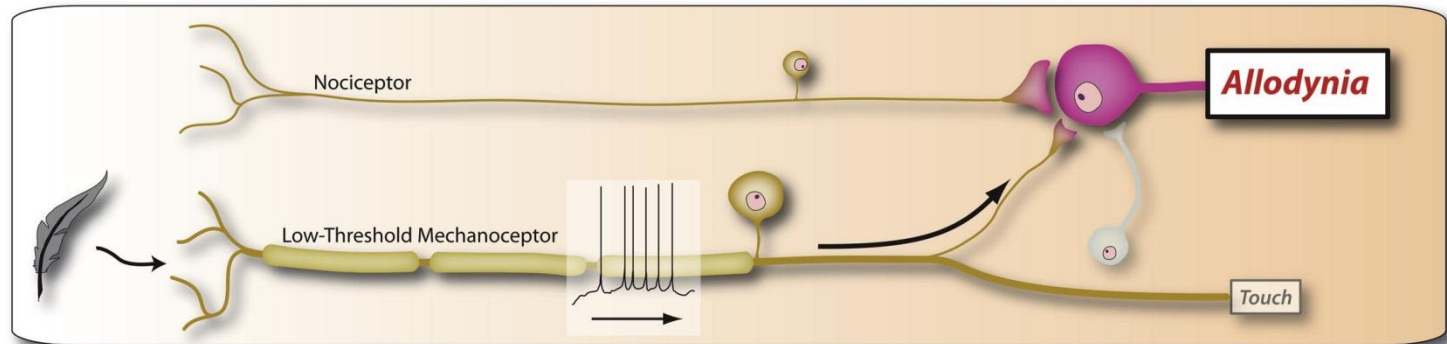
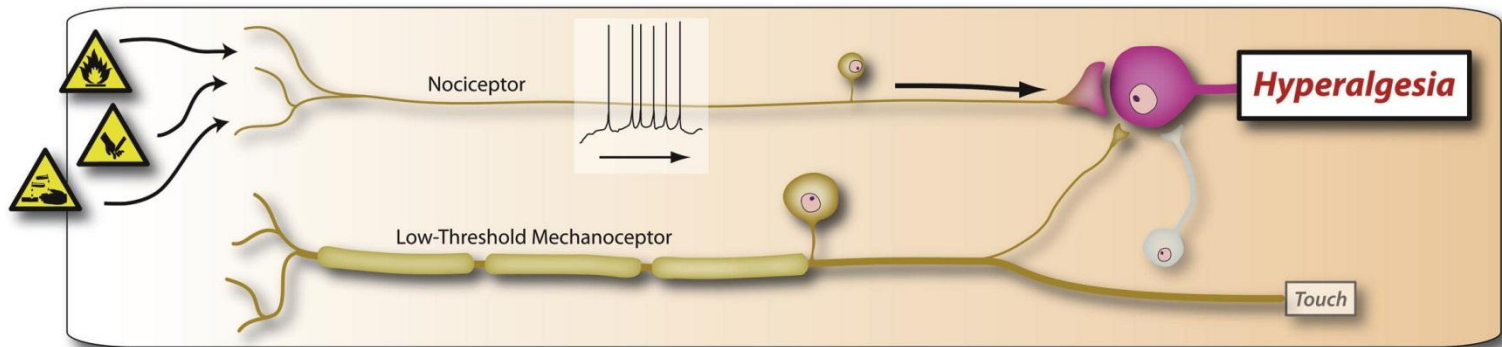


Na Channels In PSN	TTX sensitivity	Normal DRG Expressn	Growth factor Depend-ence	Inflammation	Neuro-pathy
SNS2/NaN NaV 1,9	Resistant	Yes	GDNF	↑	↓
III NaV 1,4	Sensitive	No	?	X	↑
SNS/PN3 NaV 1.8	Resistant	Yes	NGF	↑	↓

C. Peripheral and Central Sensitisation -Neuroglial cells



Central Sensitization



Central Sensitisation

Neurone



Fractalkine

Microglia



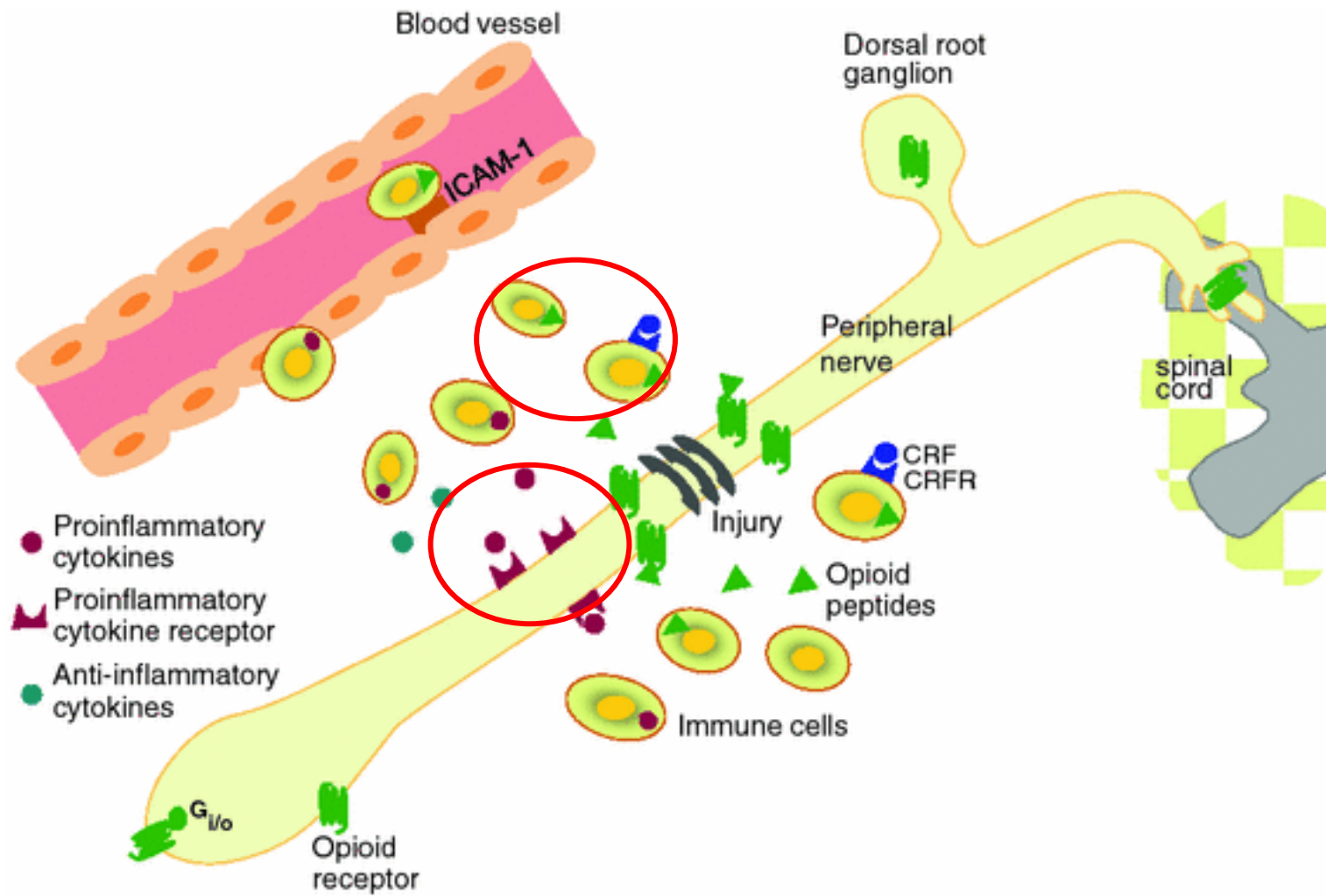
Sub P, EAA,
NO, PG,
Reactive O₂



Proinflammatory
cytokines

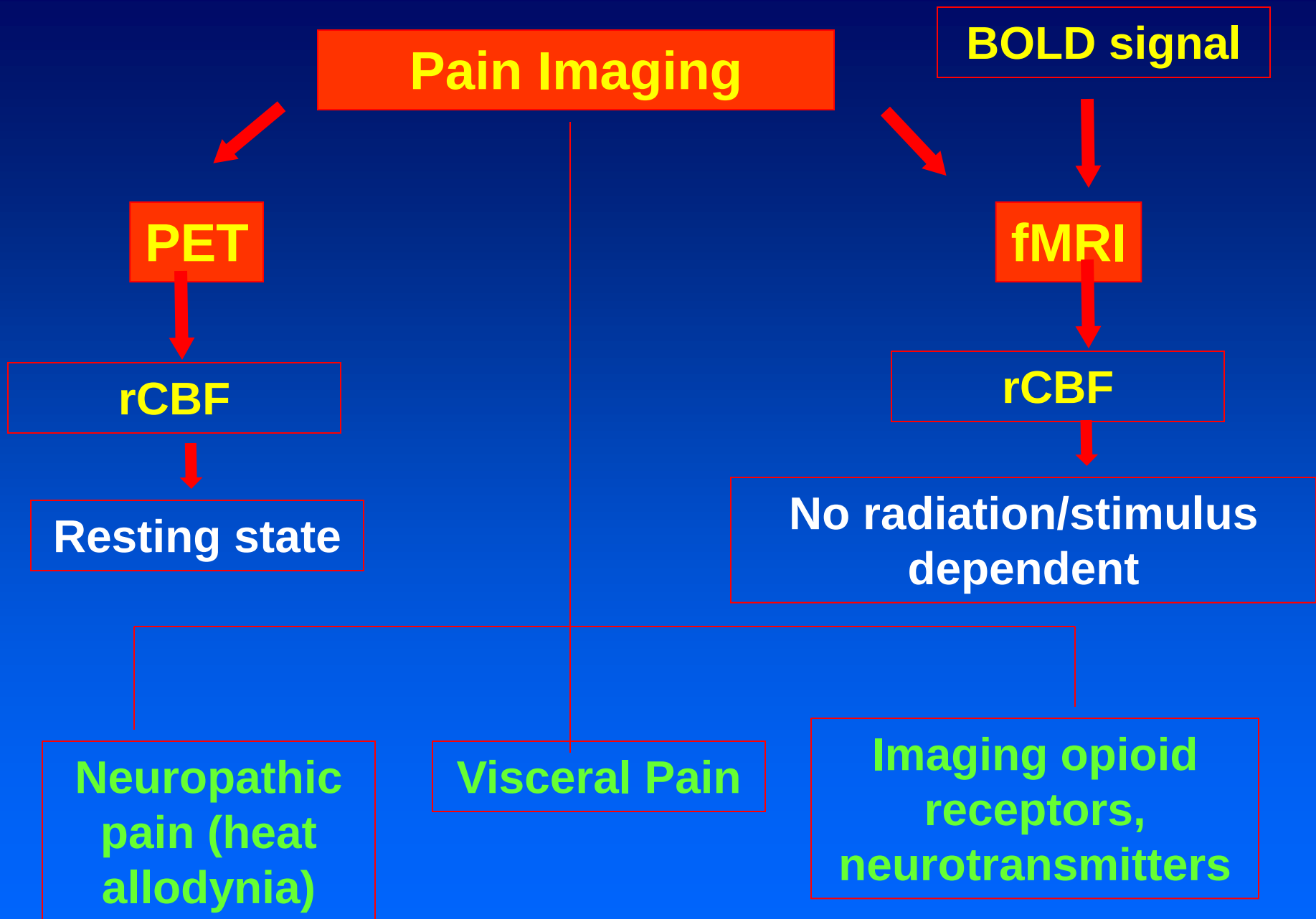
normally non-painful stimuli
become painful

Central
Sensitisation

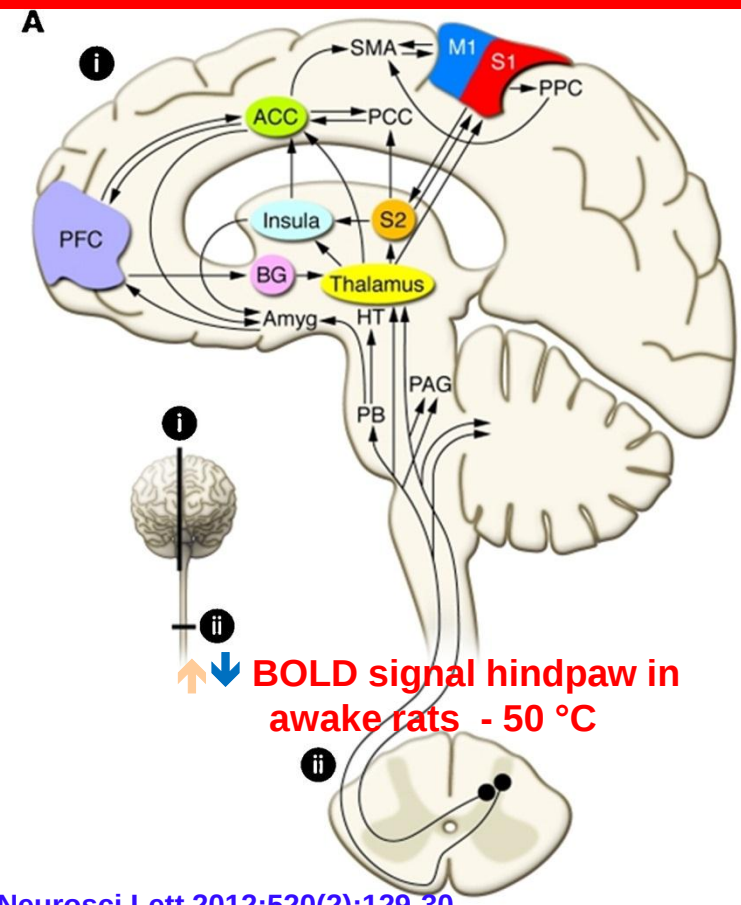
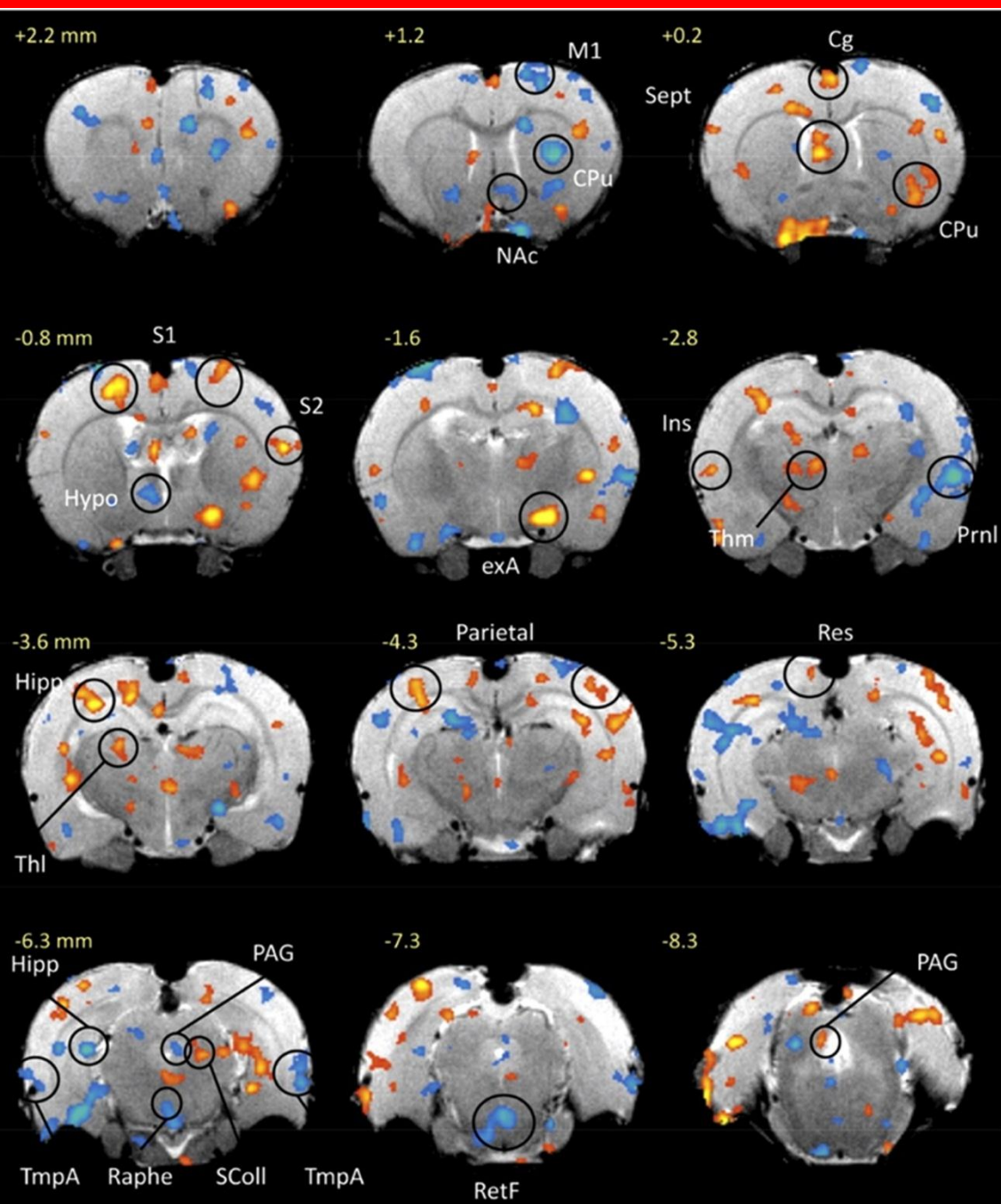


D. Brain Imaging

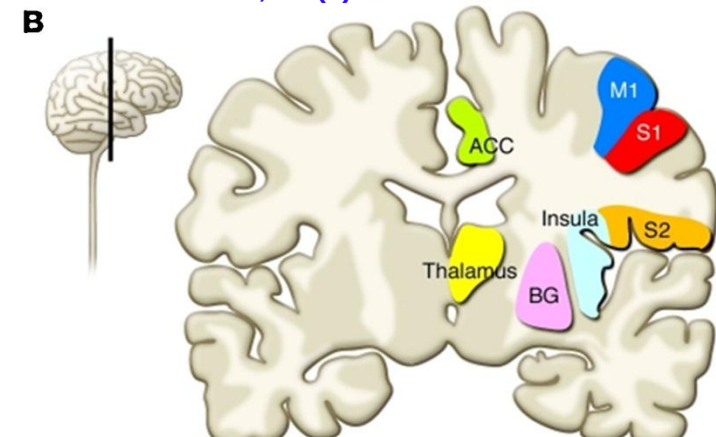




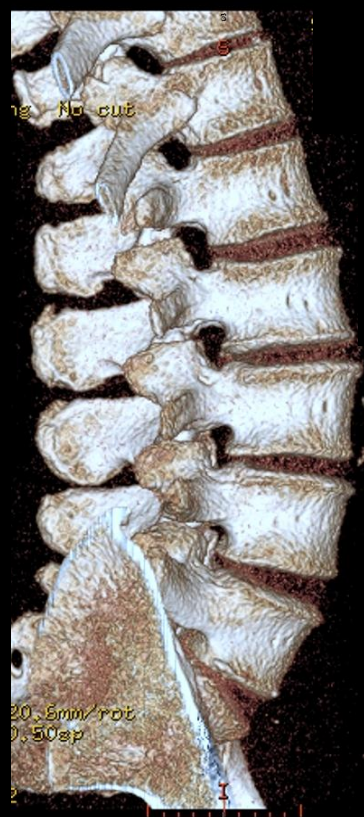
Graphic depiction of brain regions receiving nociceptive input and activated in MRI studies

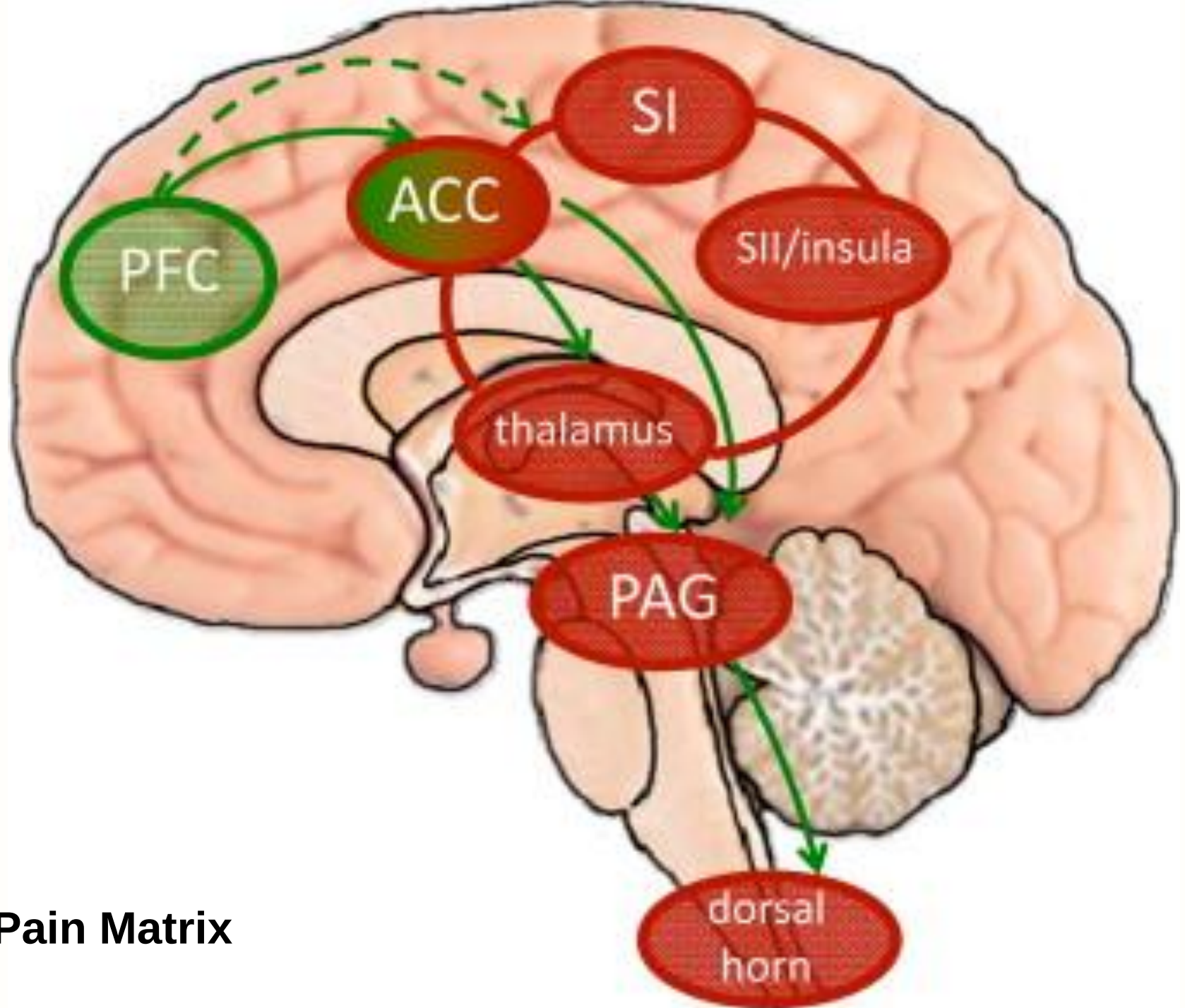


Neurosci Lett 2012;520(2):129-30







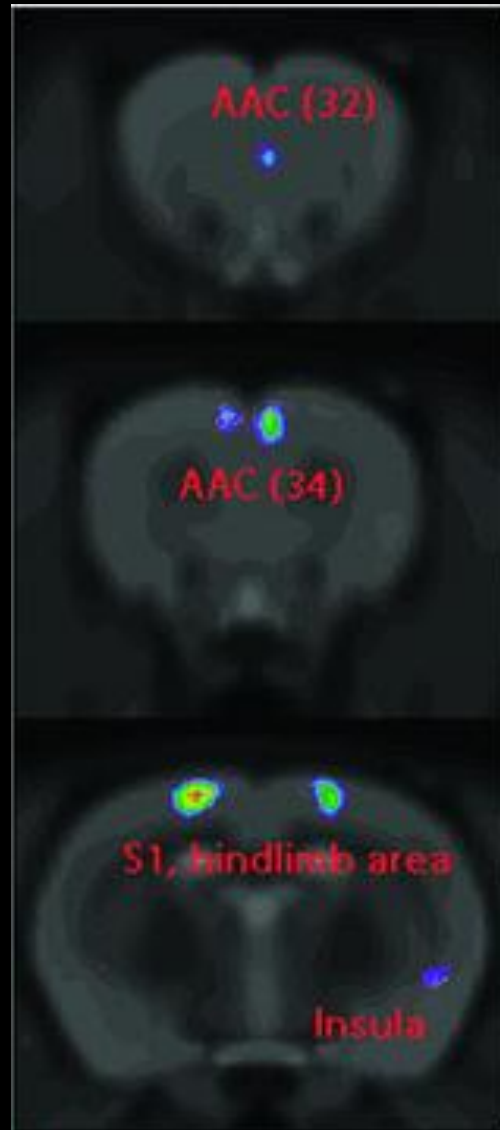


Pain Matrix

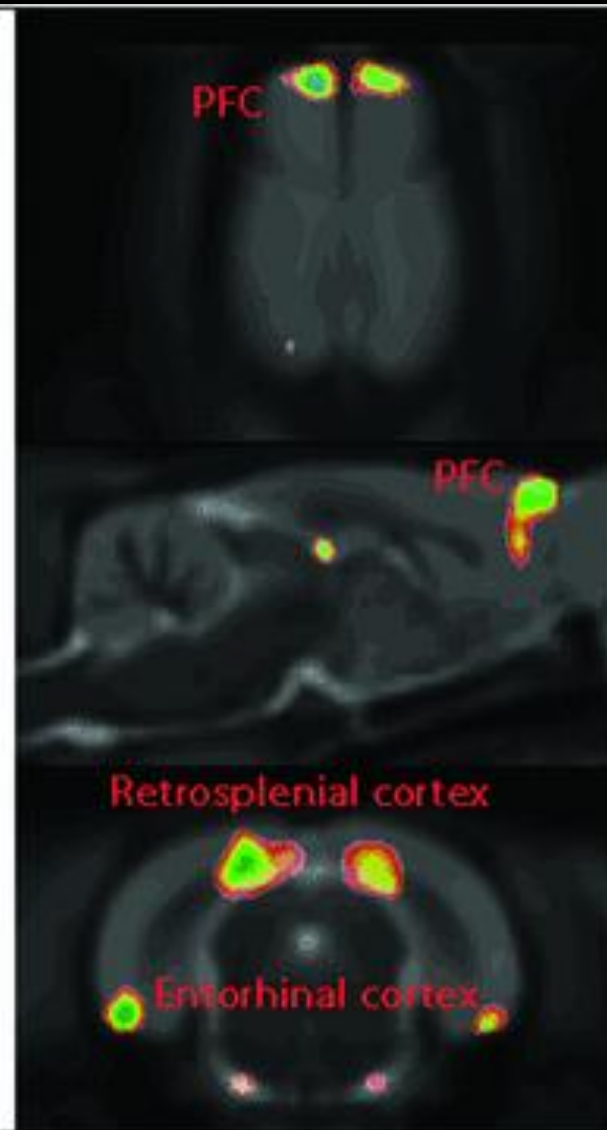
Understanding chronic inflammatory and neuropathic pain

(Anals NY Acad Sc 2012 May:30-44) Chronic pain gives reduced gray matter volume; it reshapes the brain

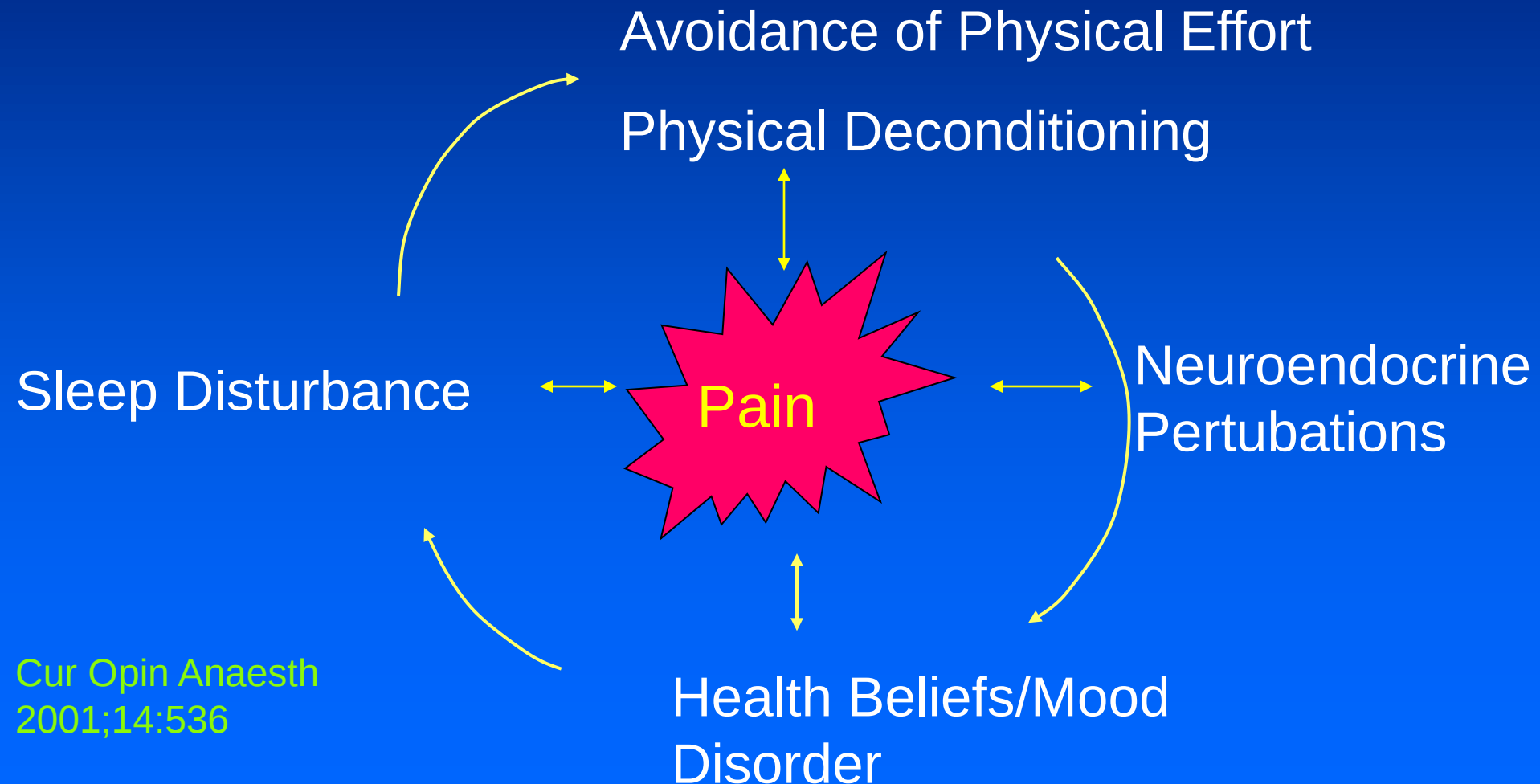
Sensory-related areas:
volume decreases in
areas correlated with
increased mechanical
sensitivity



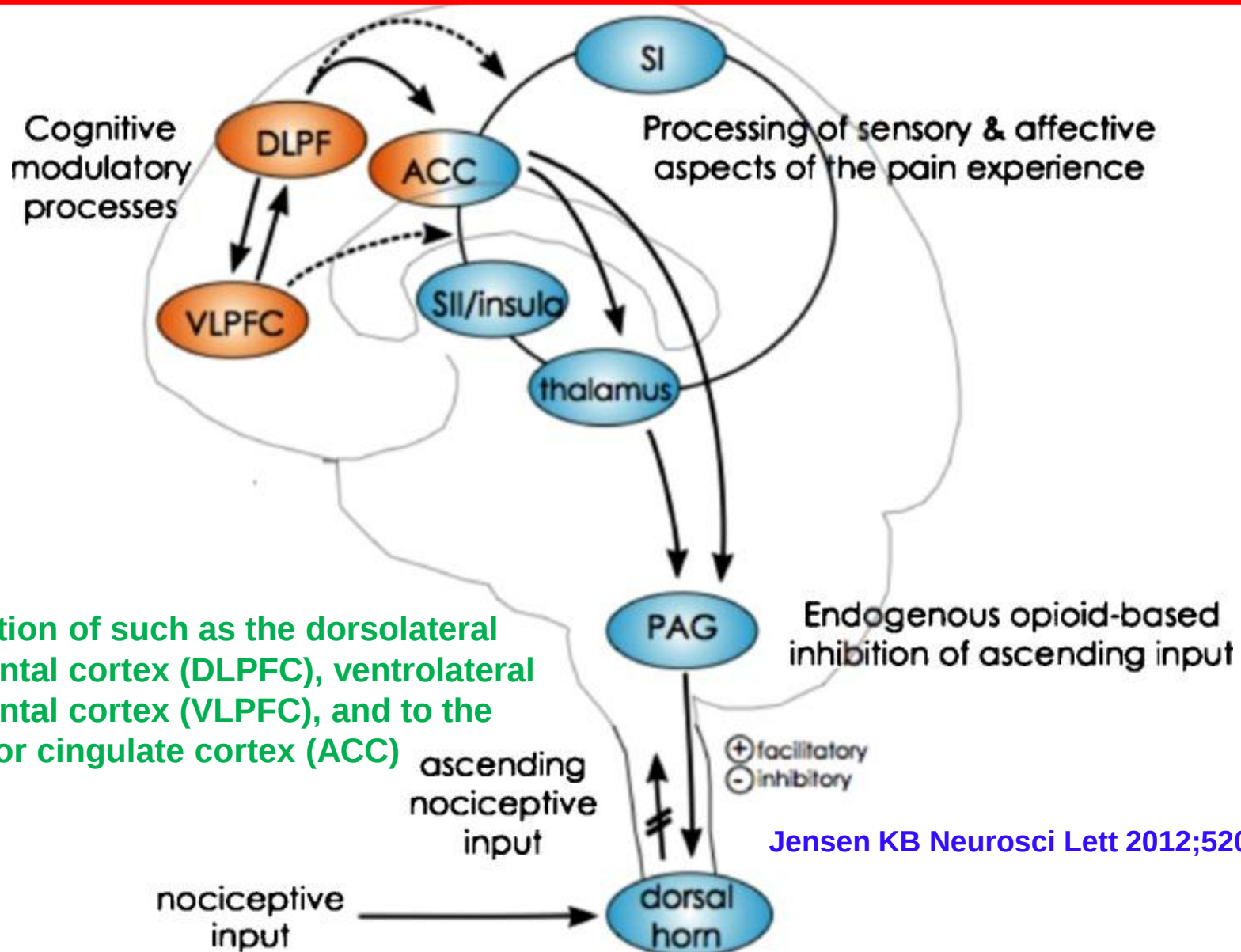
Affect-related areas: volume
decreases in
regions with the
onset of
anxiety-like
behaviour



Psychological Effects



E - Cognitive Modulation of Pain



Jensen KB Neurosci Lett 2012;520(2):156-64

Physical pain

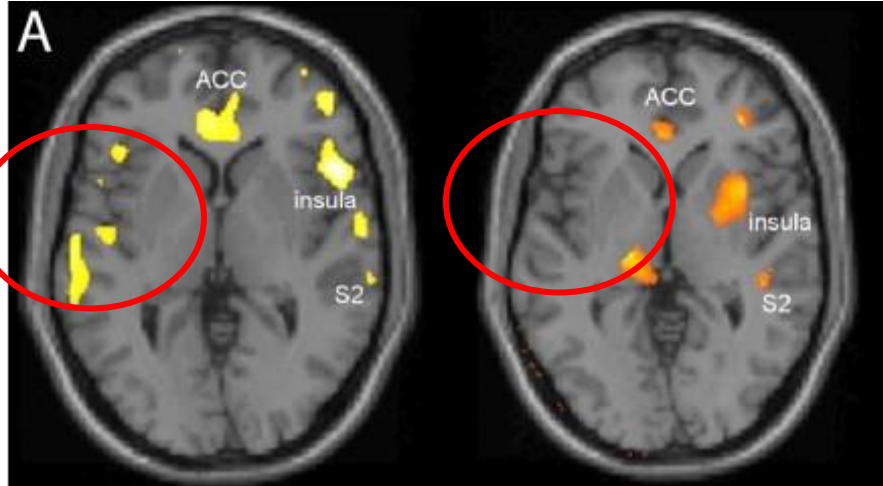
Social distress



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graph TD; A[Physical pain] --> C[Activate Anterior Cingulate Cortex]; B[Social distress] --> C; C --> D[Common neurobiological pathways]
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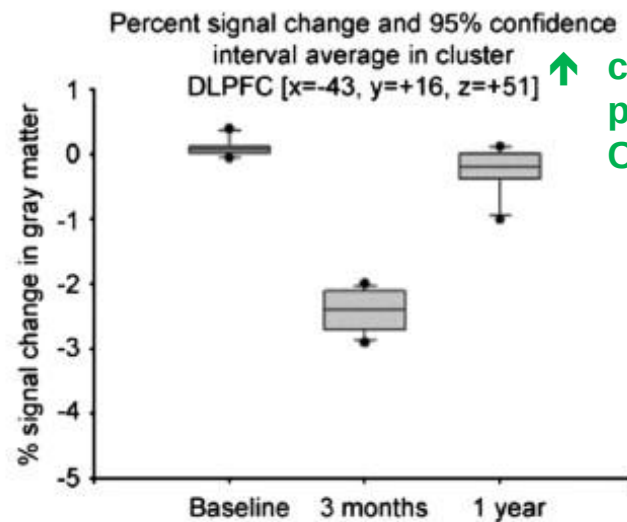
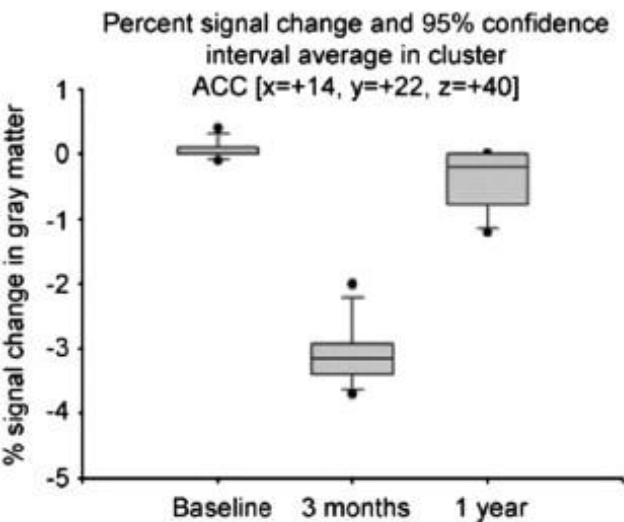
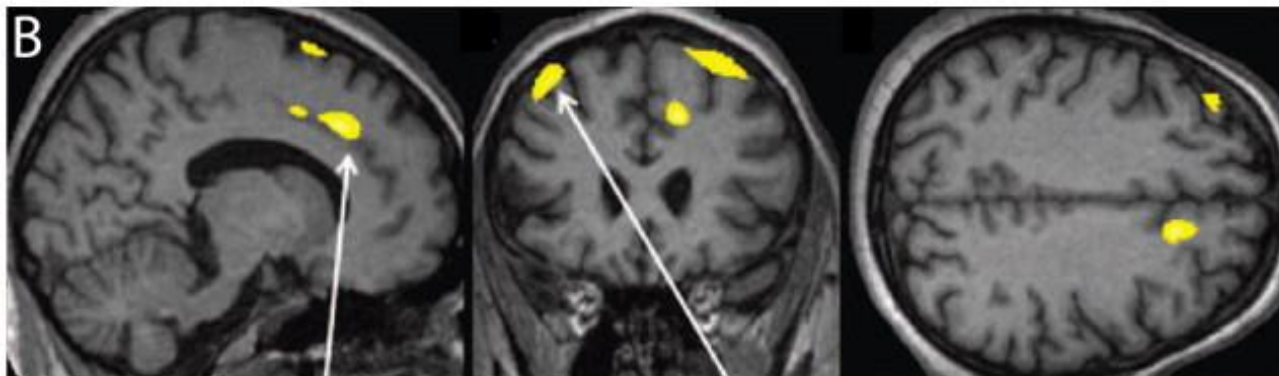
Activate Anterior Cingulate Cortex

Common neurobiological pathways



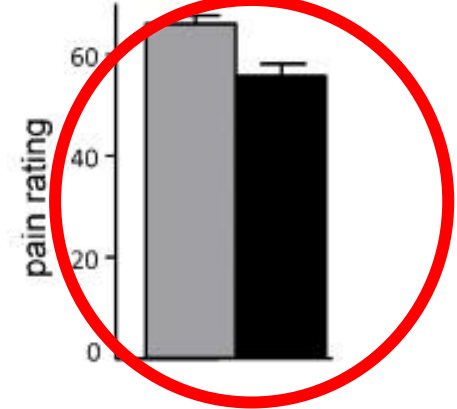
Evaluation of CBT in FM patients
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↑ pain-evoked brain activity in the left lateral prefrontal cortex in CBT group after treatment, compared to controls

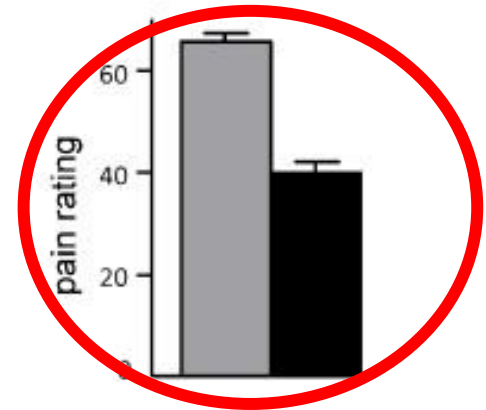
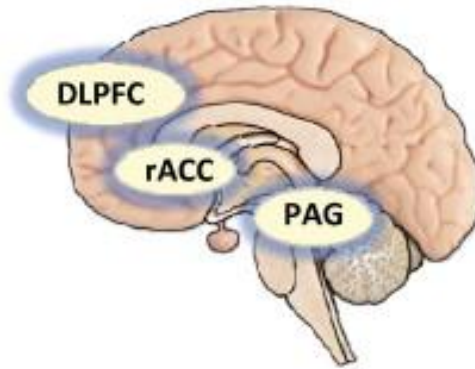


↑ connectivity between the left lateral prefrontal cortex and the thalamus in CBT group, compared to controls

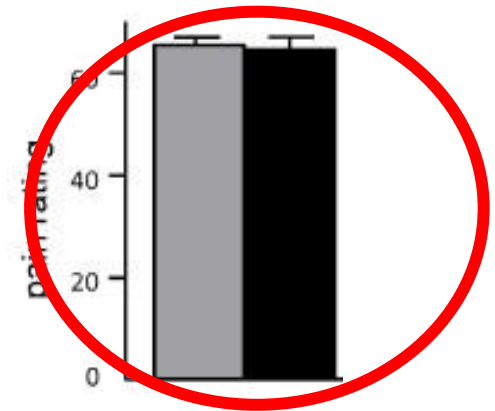
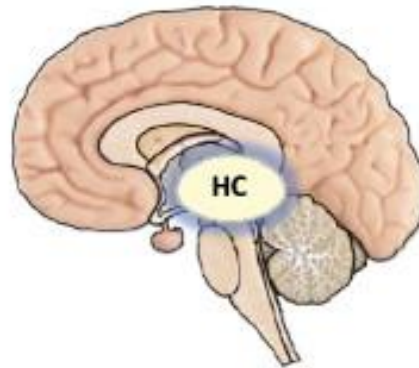
no
expectation



positive
expectation



negative
expectation

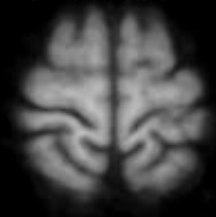
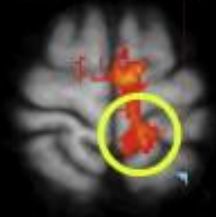


■ baseline
■ opioid analgesia

Lower level sensory processing

Rest + Pain

Meditation + Pain



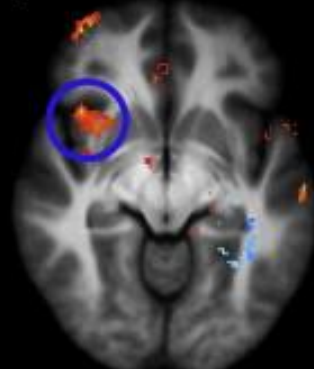
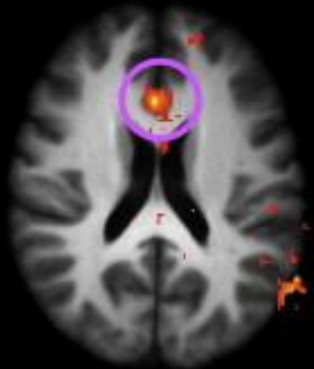
○ = SI

z = 68

Mindfulness meditation significantly reduced pain
(Zeidan F. Neurosci Lett 2012;520(2):165-73)

noxious heat, meditation significantly
↓ lower level afferent processing in
primary somatosensory cortex (SI)

Pain intensity reductions



○ = rACC

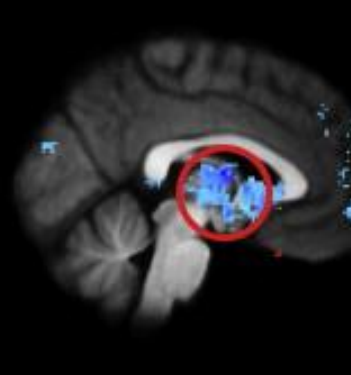
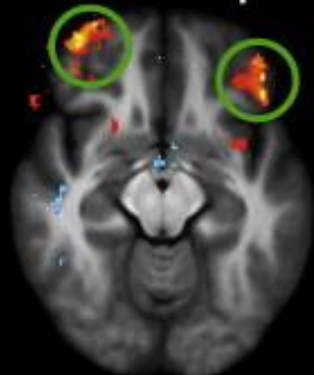
○ = aINS

z = 20

z = -8

meditation-related pain intensity
reductions were associated with
greater activity in rostral anterior
cingulate cortex (rACC), an area
involved in cognitive control

Pain unpleasantness reductions



○ = OFC

○ = Thl

z = 13

x = -2

L

Greater orbitofrontal cortex (OFC)
activity was associated with
greater decreases in pain
unpleasantness ratings. Moreover,
thalamic (Thl) deactivation was
associated with reductions in pain
unpleasantness



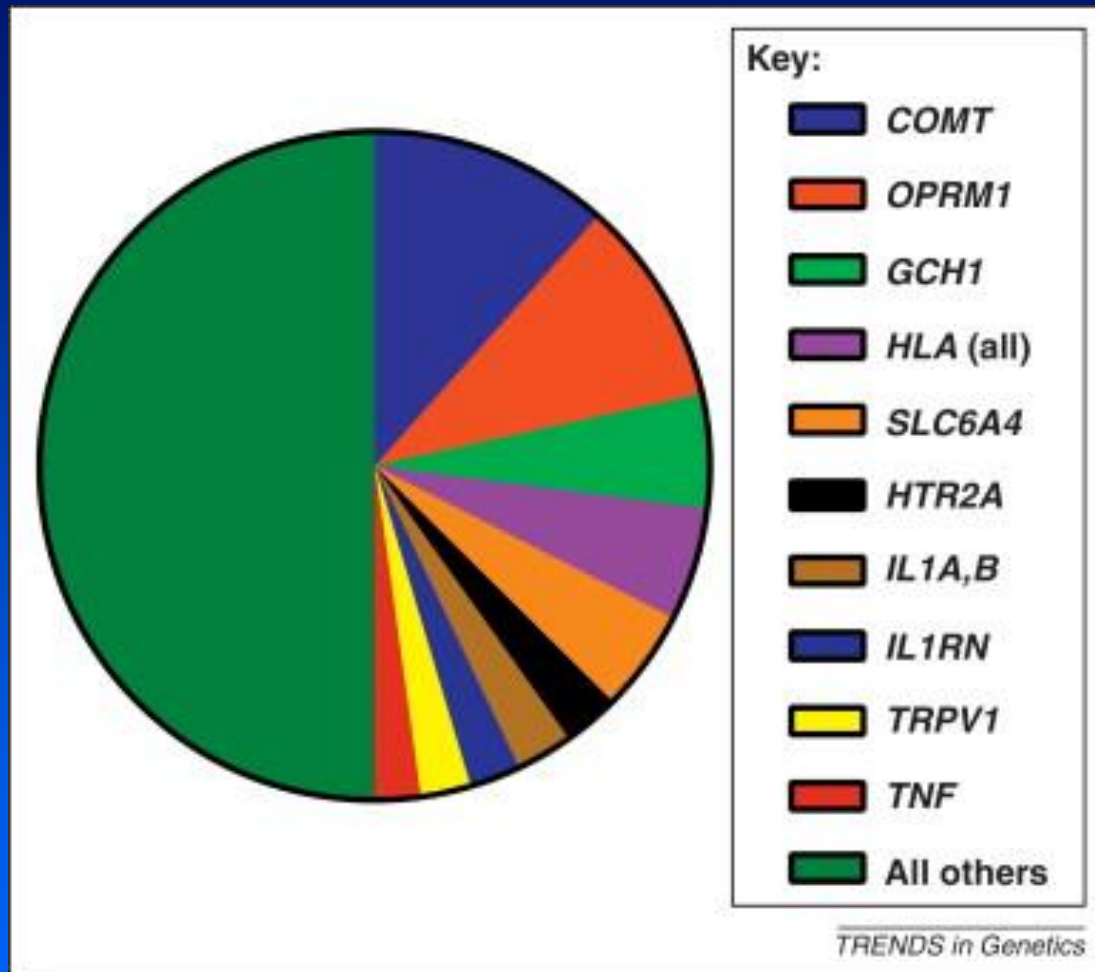


Cortical reorganisation of sensory homunculus
(Vladimir Tichelaar Yl. Int J Rehabil Res 2007;30:181-8)

F- Genetics and Pain

Knock-Out Mice + Gene Array Studies

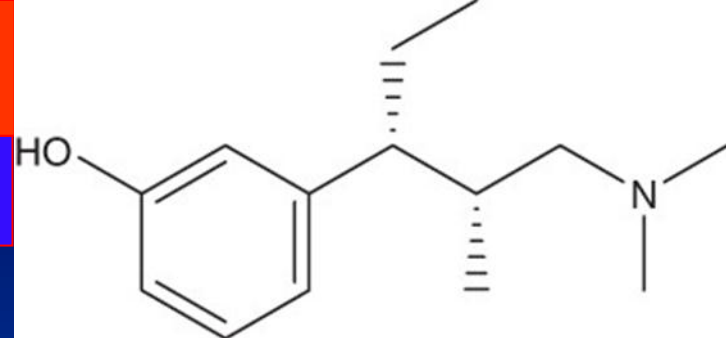




G. New Drugs - Tapentadol

MOR-NRI

open-chain structure



strong μ -opioid
receptor agonism
noradrenaline
reuptake inhibition

undergoes phase II
metabolism
(glucuronidation)



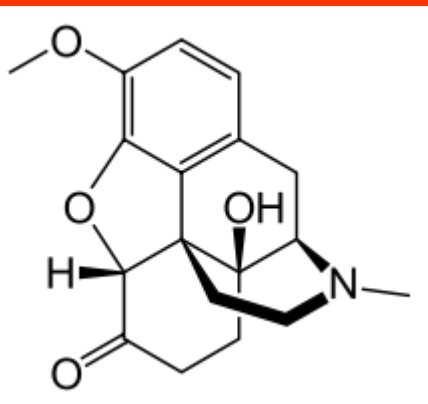
controlled substance with reduced
gastrointestinal adverse effects



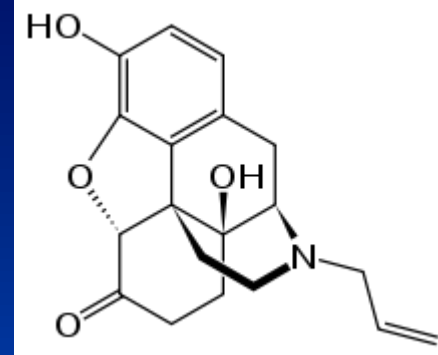
potency/ efficacy comparable
to strong opioids

no analgesically
active metabolite

Opioid Antagonists

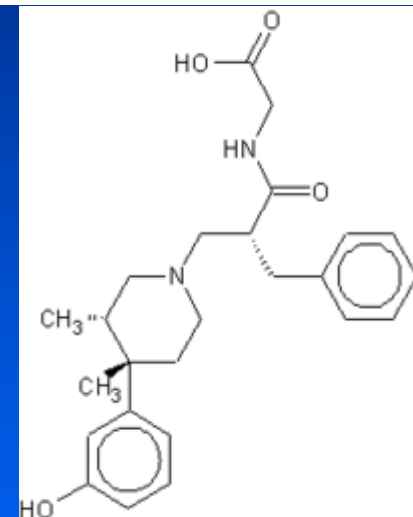


Oral Oxycodone
with Naloxone
(Targin) in ratio of
2:1



Methylnaltrexone

does not pass blood–
brain barrier; analgesic
effect of opioids is
unaffected; 0.15 mg/kg
SC



Alvimopan
peripherally acting
 μ -opioid receptor antagonist
accelerates GI recovery
12mg bd po

G. – New Drugs

Ampakines

obtund opioid-induced side-effects

Tanezumab

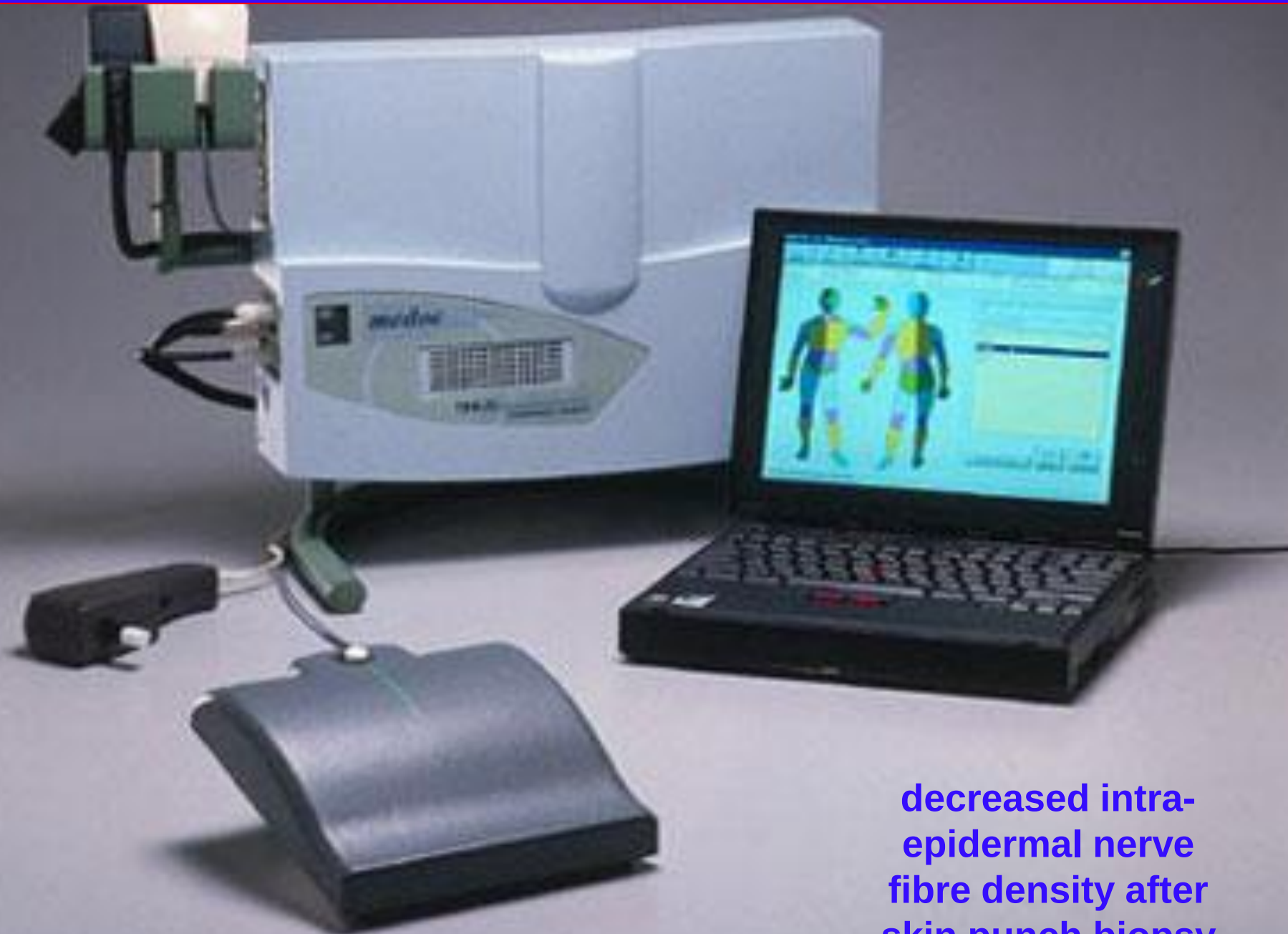
humanised monoclonal antibody that sequesters NGF - effective analgesic in lumbar osteoarthritis

Opiorphin

inhibits breakdown of endogenous opioids (targets endocannabinoid system)

CB2 modulators

H. Neuropathic Pain – small fibre neuropathies



decreased intra-
epidermal nerve
fibre density after
skin punch biopsy

I - New Delivery Systems

transdermal
buccal, intra-
articular
intravesical
routes

↓ toxicity of
local
anaesthetics
and opioids

Transdermal drug
delivery limited by
stratum corneum

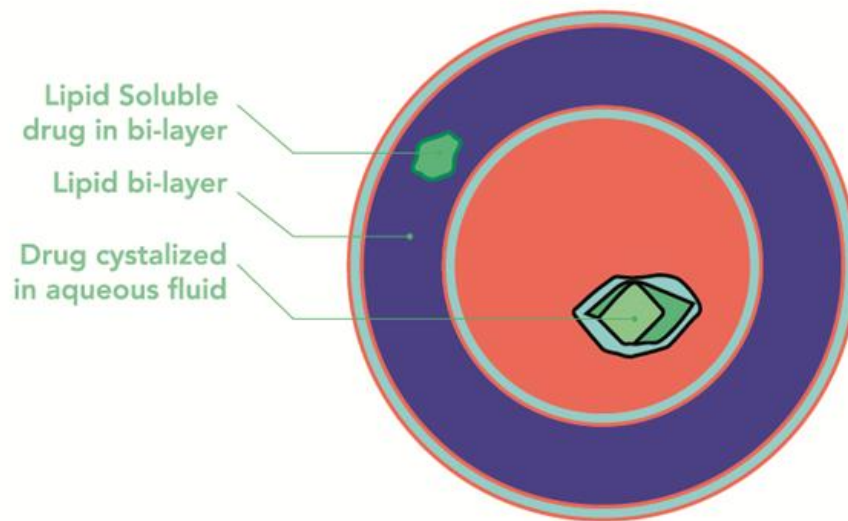
iontophoresis
electroporation
microporation
phonophoresis

Lipid-based nanocarriers
(liposomes, lipid-core
micelles, and lipid
nanocapsules)

Vesicular systems

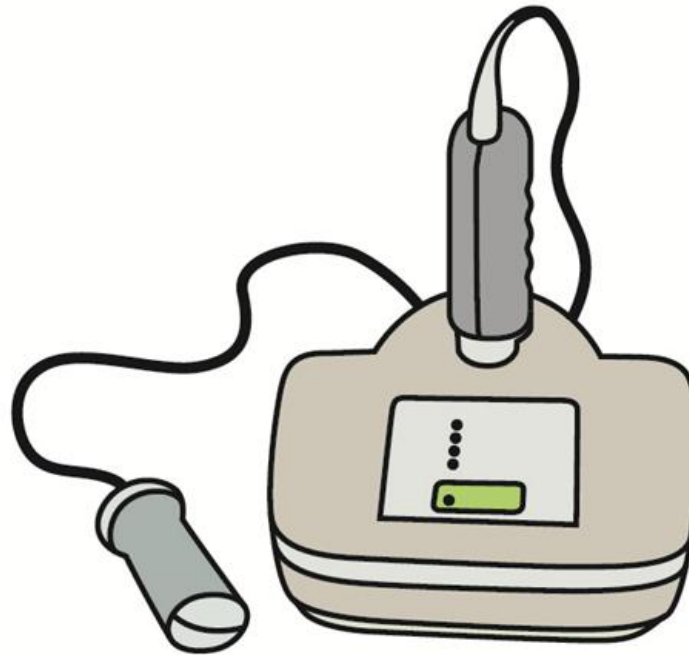
(ethosomes, transfersomes and
niosomes)

Liposome for Drug Delivery



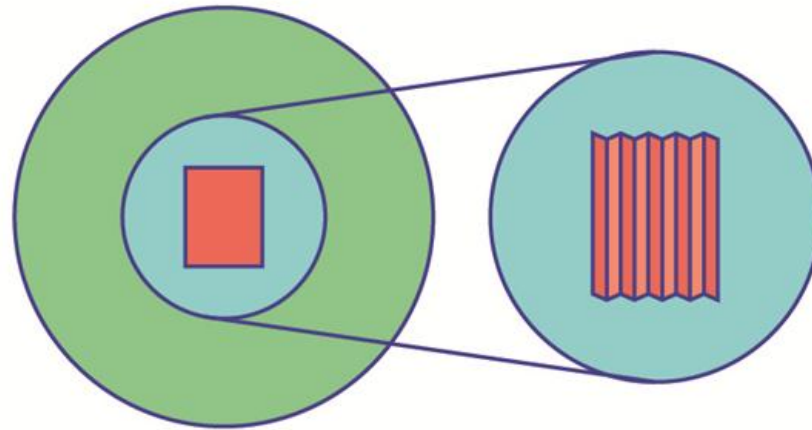
Liposome for Drug Delivery

Sonophoresis



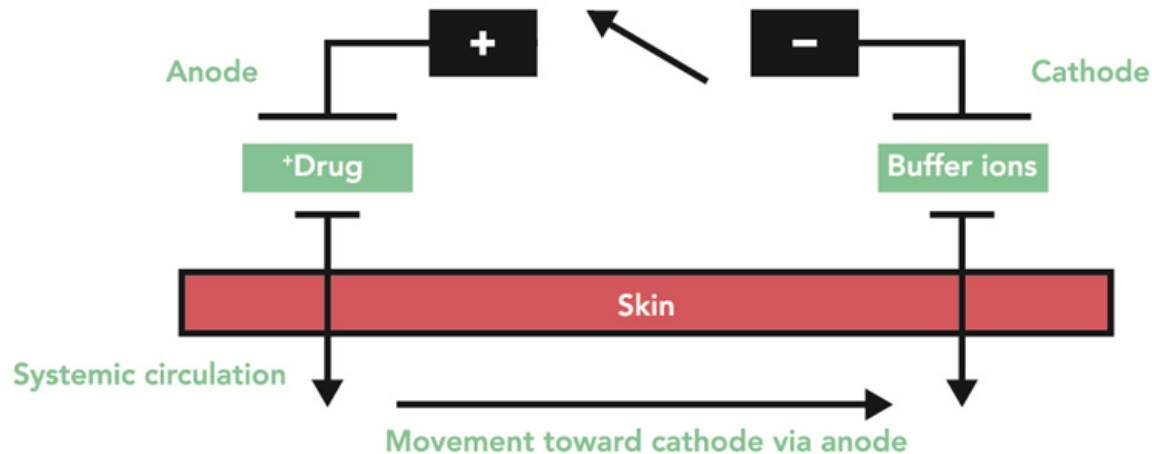
Sonophoresis

Magnetophoresis



Iontophoresis

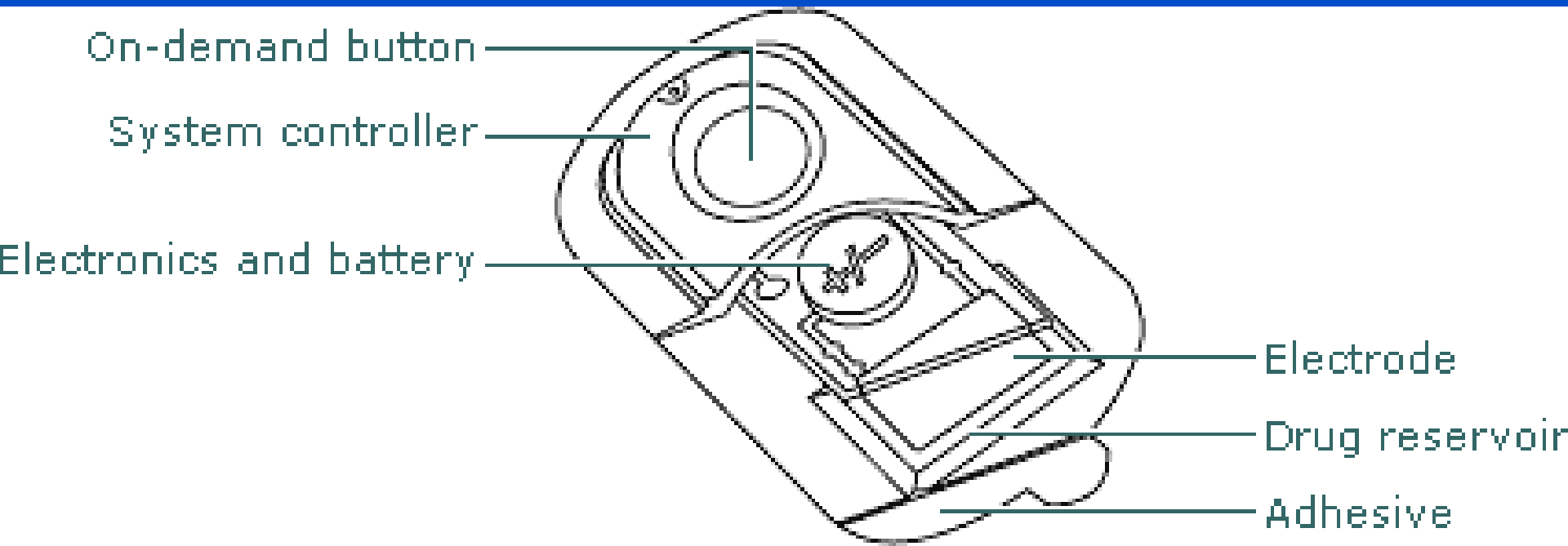
when current is applied drug cations are repelled; they move through skin, and absorbed into systemic circulation

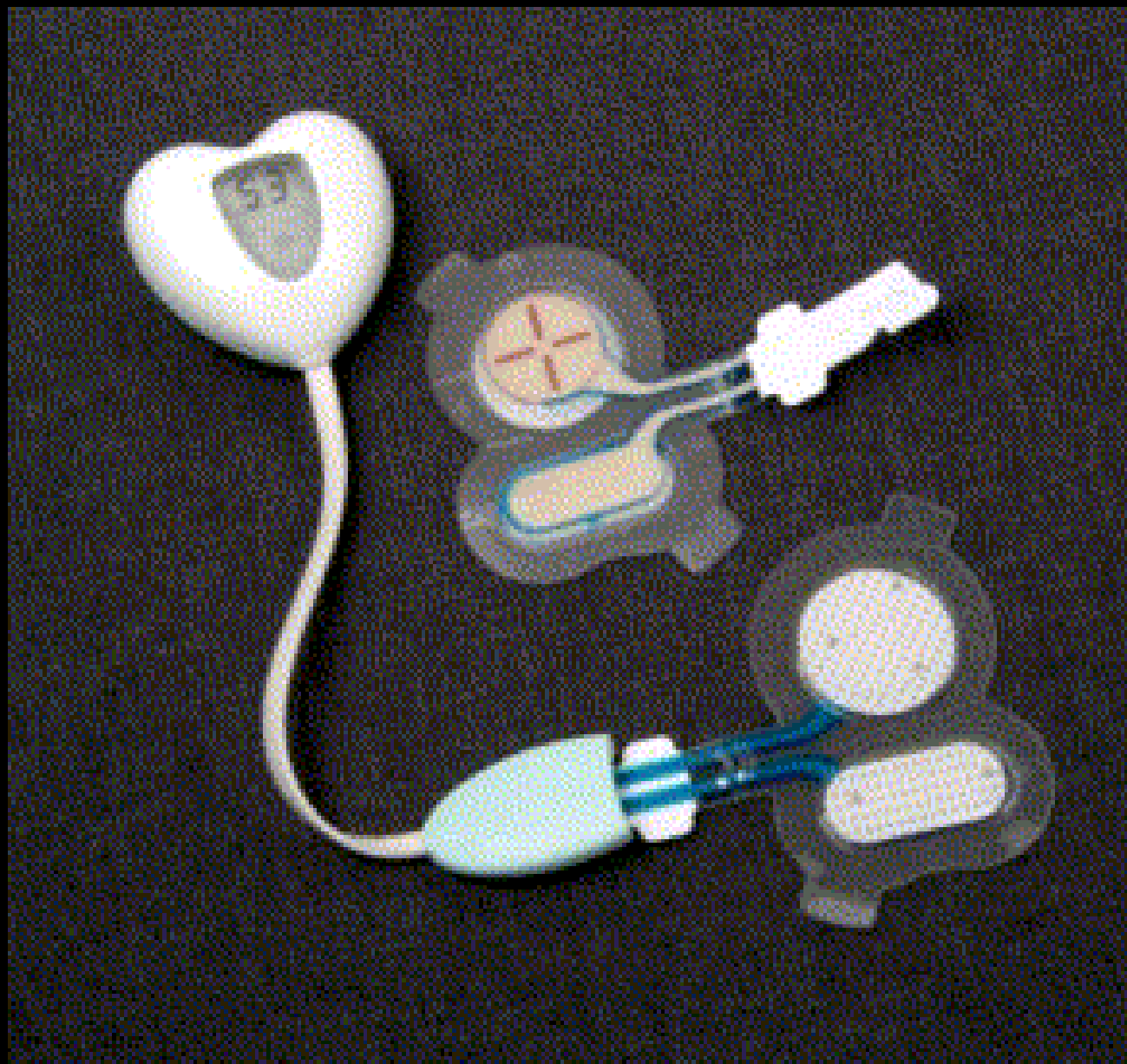




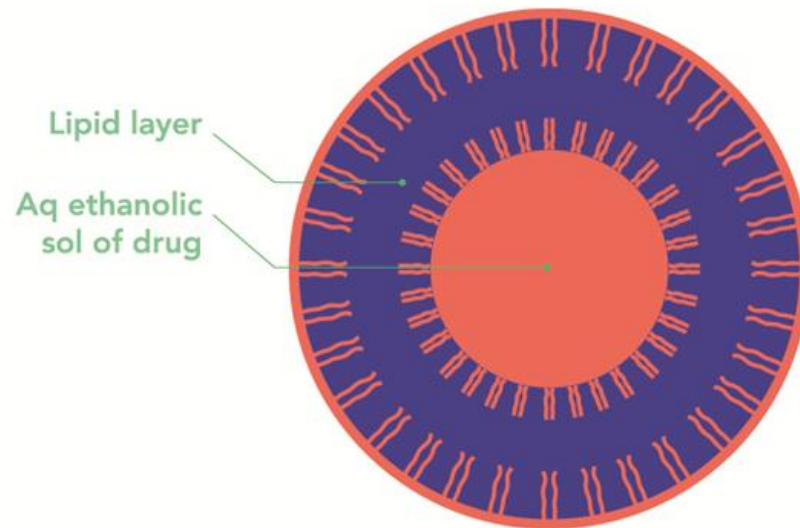
Fentanyl HCl PCTS is preprogrammed, needle free, self-contained drug-delivery system that uses electrotransport technology (iontophoresis) to deliver 40 µg of fentanyl per on-demand dose

On-demand fentanyl HCl patient-controlled transdermal system (PCTS) - superior to placebo, well tolerated for the control of moderate to severe postoperative pain for up to 24 h after major surgery (Anesth Analg 2004;98:427-433)





Ethosomes



J- Neuromodulation

Spinal cord stimulation used for pain failed back surgery CRPS, angina, peripheral vascular disease

electrodes implanted in epidural space, feels paraesthesias in areas of pain that reduces pain

improved quality of life and function, many returning to work

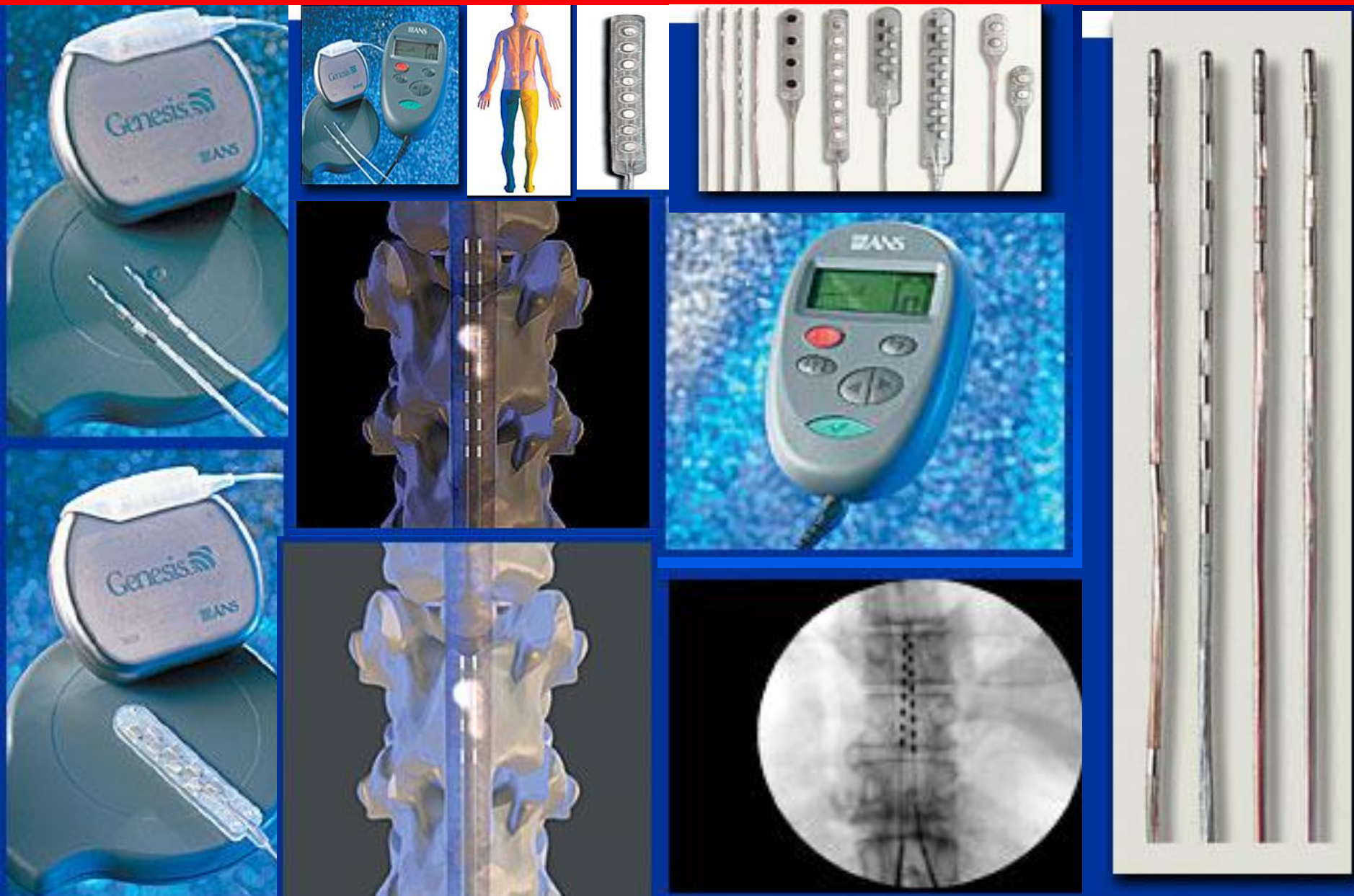
new perspective in cerebral ischaemia and vasospasm

Nevro-Senza technology
high frequency signal, no paraesthesia

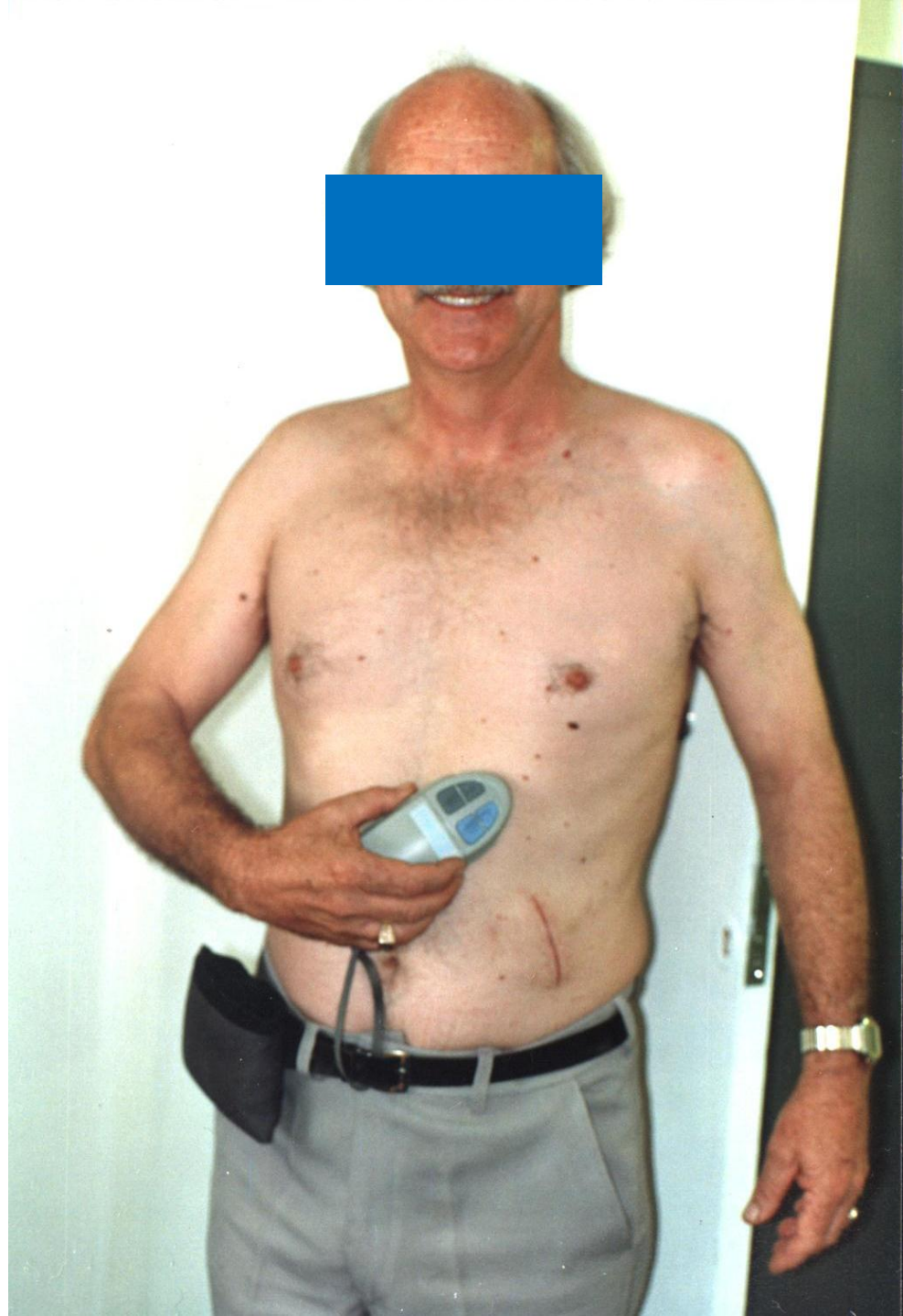
Peripheral nerve stimulation
neuropathic pain disorders, occipital neuralgia, migraine, subcutaneous leads

Deep brain stimulation
technique for painful dystonia (CRPS); use in pain and cluster headache

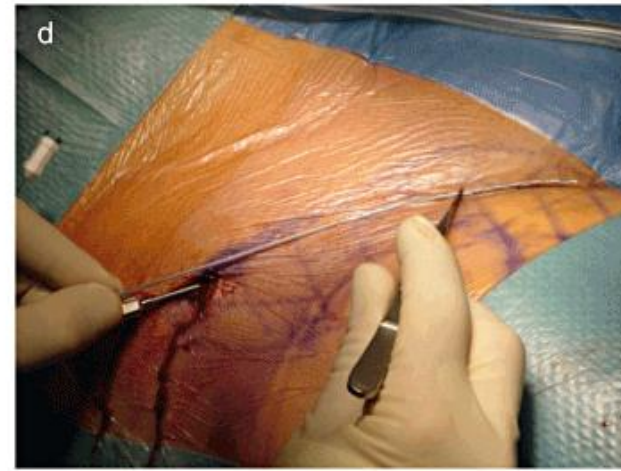
Spinal Cord Stimulation



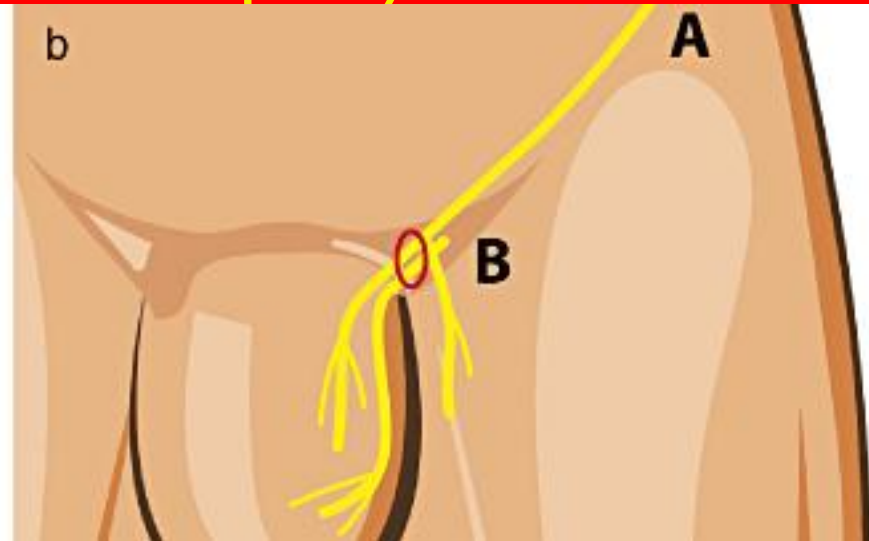


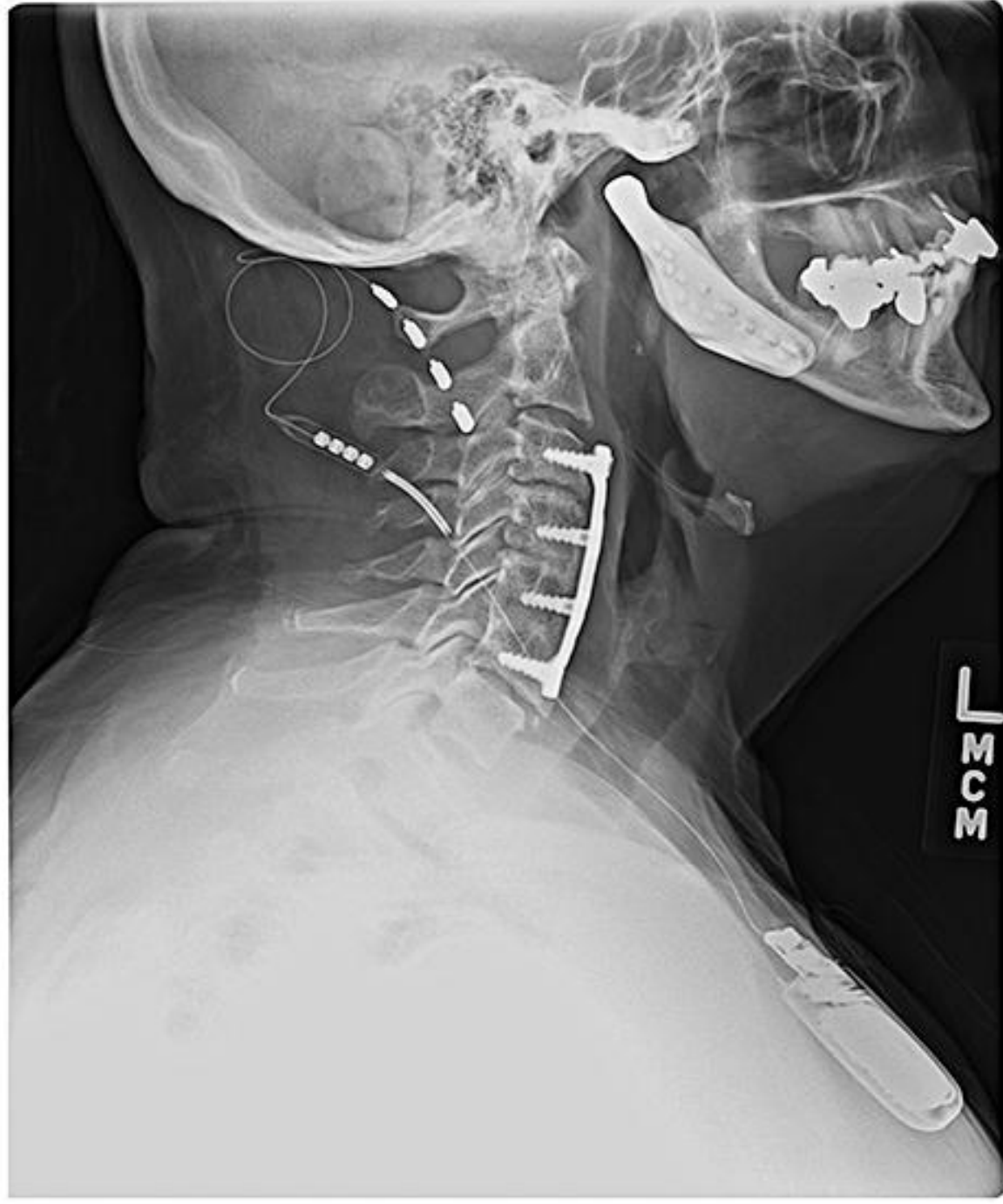


Combined Spinal Cord and Peripheral Nerve Field Stimulation for Persistent Post-Herniorrhaphy Pain (Neuromodulation June 2012: in press)



Successful Treatment of Testicular Pain With Peripheral Nerve Stimulation of the Cutaneous Branch of the Ilioinguinal and Genital Branch of the Genitofemoral Nerves (Neuromodulation Jan 2012: in press)



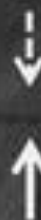


SPINAL CORD STIMULATOR

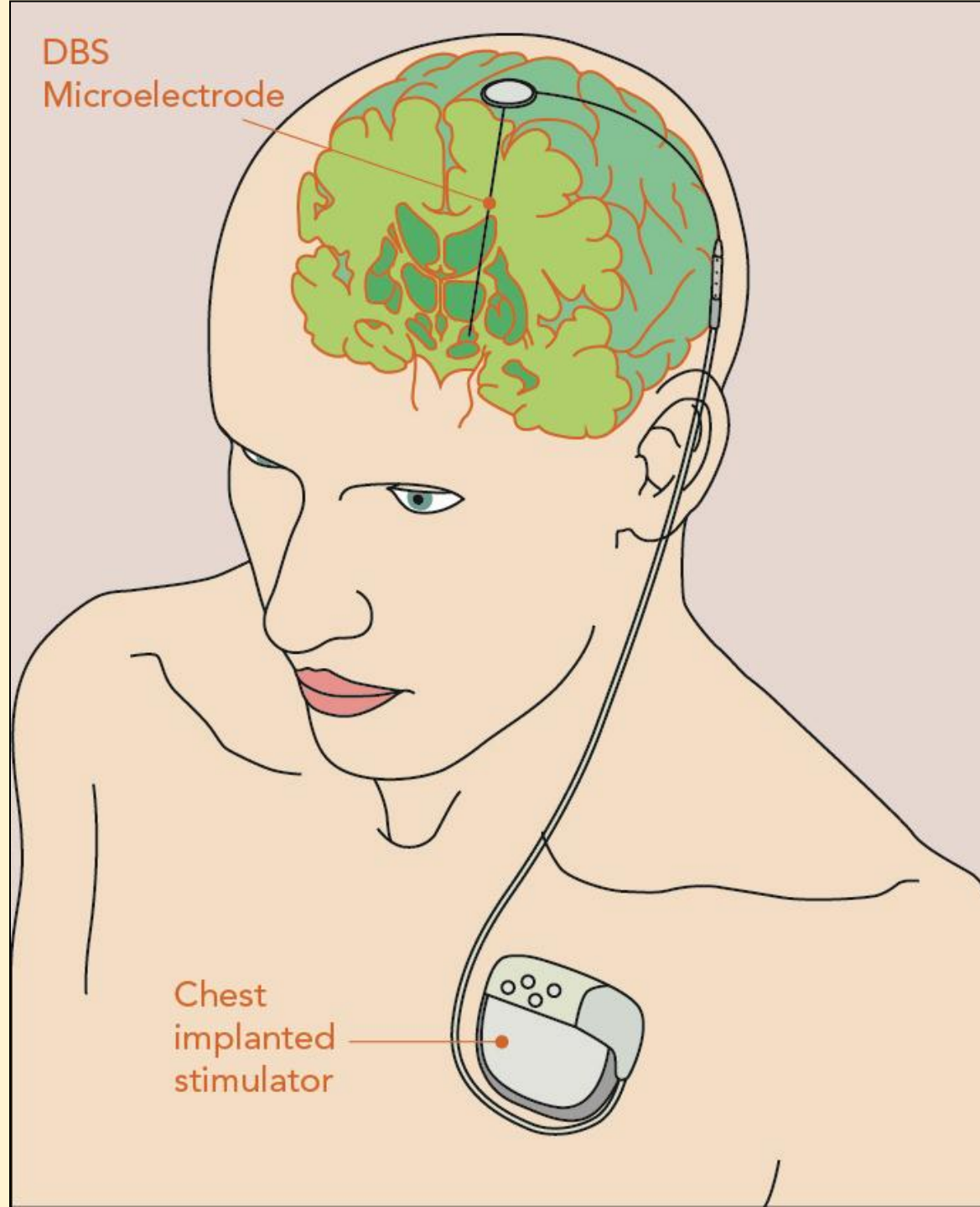
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81 kVp
2.22 mA

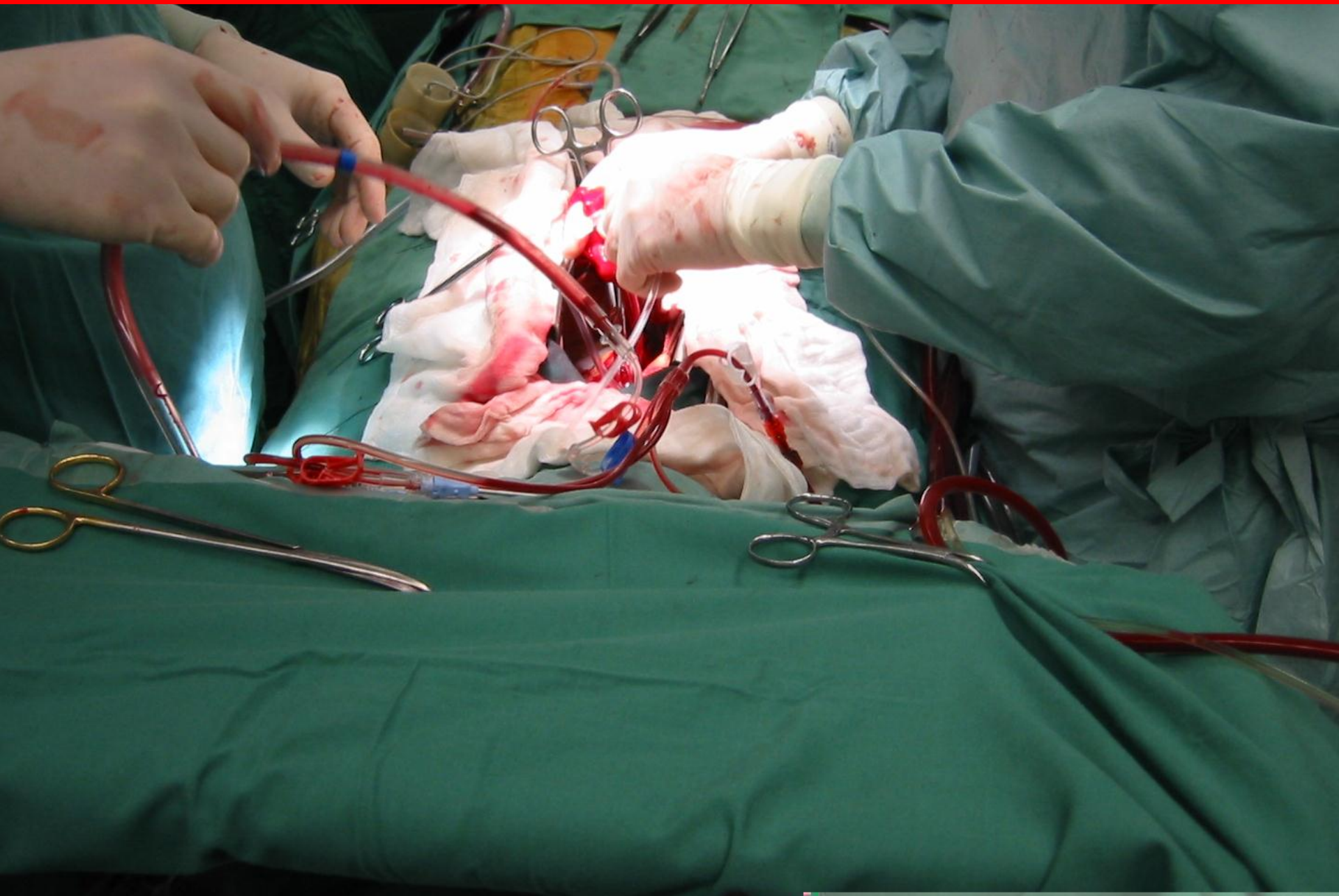
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OEC



K - Perioperative Pain



Types of surgery	Estimated incidence of chronic postoperative pain (%)
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Hysterectomy	15
Hip Surgery	10 – 20
Amputation	30 – 50
Breast surgery	20 – 30
Thoracotomy	30 – 40
Inguinal hernia repair	10
Coronary artery bypass	30 – 50
Caesarean section	10

K - Perioperative Pain

transition of acute postoperative pain to chronic post-surgical pain - complex and poorly understood



involves altered pain processing

intraoperative postoperative surgical, psychosocial, socio-environmental patient-related factors

multimodal analgesic drug combinations

fast tracking multidisciplinary teams

Risk Factors – Mark patients with high risk factors for developing persisting post surgical pain and follow up after discharge	
Preoperative	
	Address patient attitudes and concerns Provide education (patient, physician) Identify operative procedures that cause severe pain
Intraoperative	
	Use least painful surgical approach (e.g. keyhole) with acceptable exposure Use multimodal pharmacological analgesia in addition to afferent neural blockade
Postoperative	
	Continue analgesia well into the postoperative period Measure pain levels (the 'fifth vital sign') Bedside neurological examination if neuropathic pain is suspected
Discharge	
	Individualise discharge analgesic packages and home follow-up Use antidepressants (tricyclics) and anticonvulsants (gabapentin and pregabalin) as first-line co-analgesics if needed

Prevention and Management of Risk factors in Acute Perioperative pain for developing Chronic pain

(Shipton EA. Anaesth Intensive Care. 2011 Sep;39(5):824-36)

Obtain patient
preoperative
information

Preoperative
carbohydrate

No preoperative
bowel clearance

No routine use
of drains

Pharmacological
↓ stress

Optimise organ
dysfunction

Fast Track

No routine
use of
nasogastric
tubes

Early oral
feeding

Epidural
analgesia or
non-opioid
multimodal
analgesia

Avoidance of
fluid excess-
use of goal
directed
therapy

Early
mobilisation

Objective
pain
assessment

Discharge criteria

Daily care maps

L. - Cancer Therapy

**Intrathecal
analgesia**

**Vertebroplasty
techniques for pain
relief, stabilisation**

**Radiofrequency
techniques (for
tumour ablation,
neurotomies)**

**Imaging
Thoracoscopy
give safer
coeliac plexus
and splanchnic
nerve blocks**

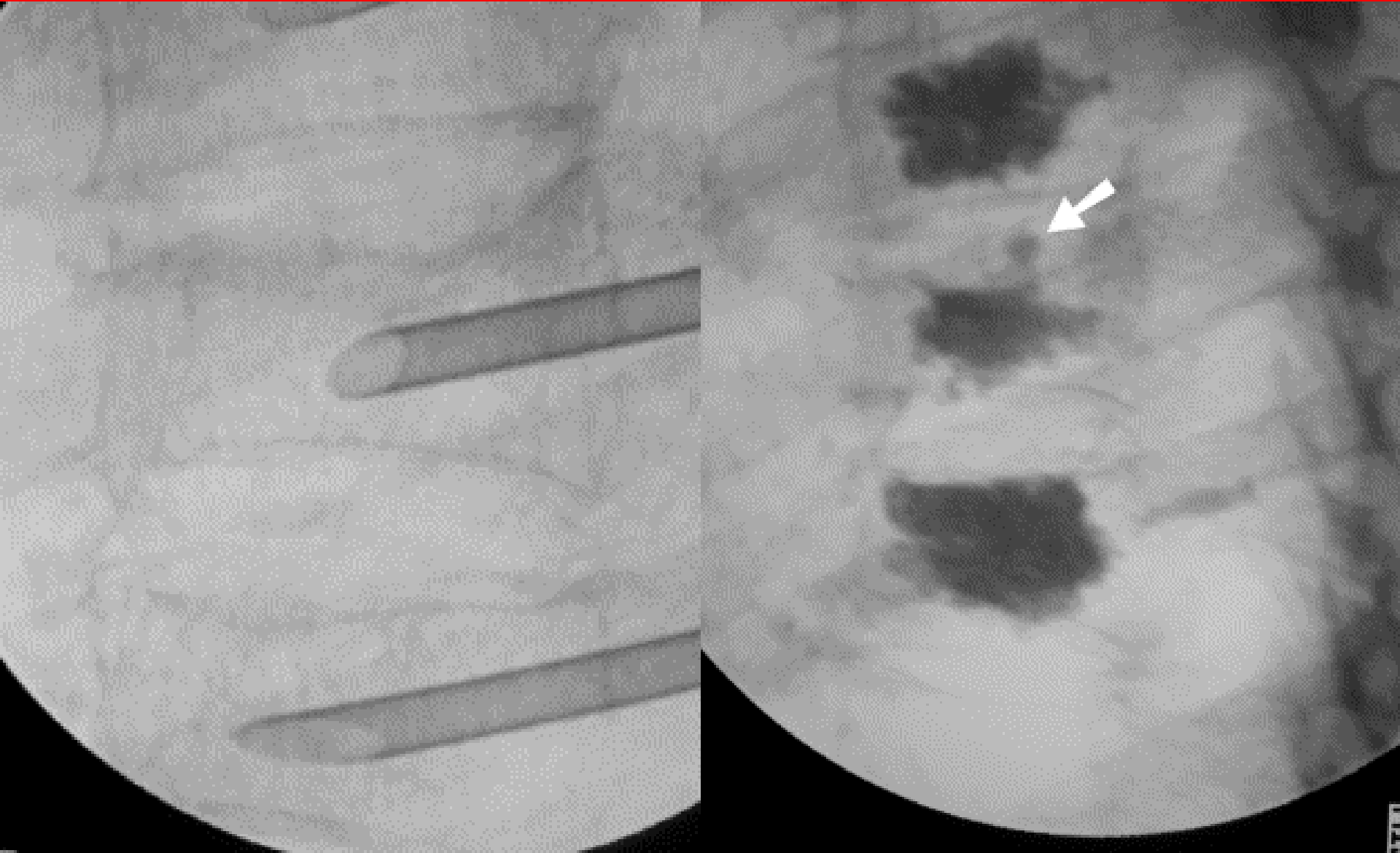
**Percutaneous
cordotomy aided
by computed
tomography/MRI
and endoscopy
guidance**

**Percutaneous
electrical nerve
stimulation, 8%
capsaicin patches
used for
neuropathic pain**

Radiofrequency Machine



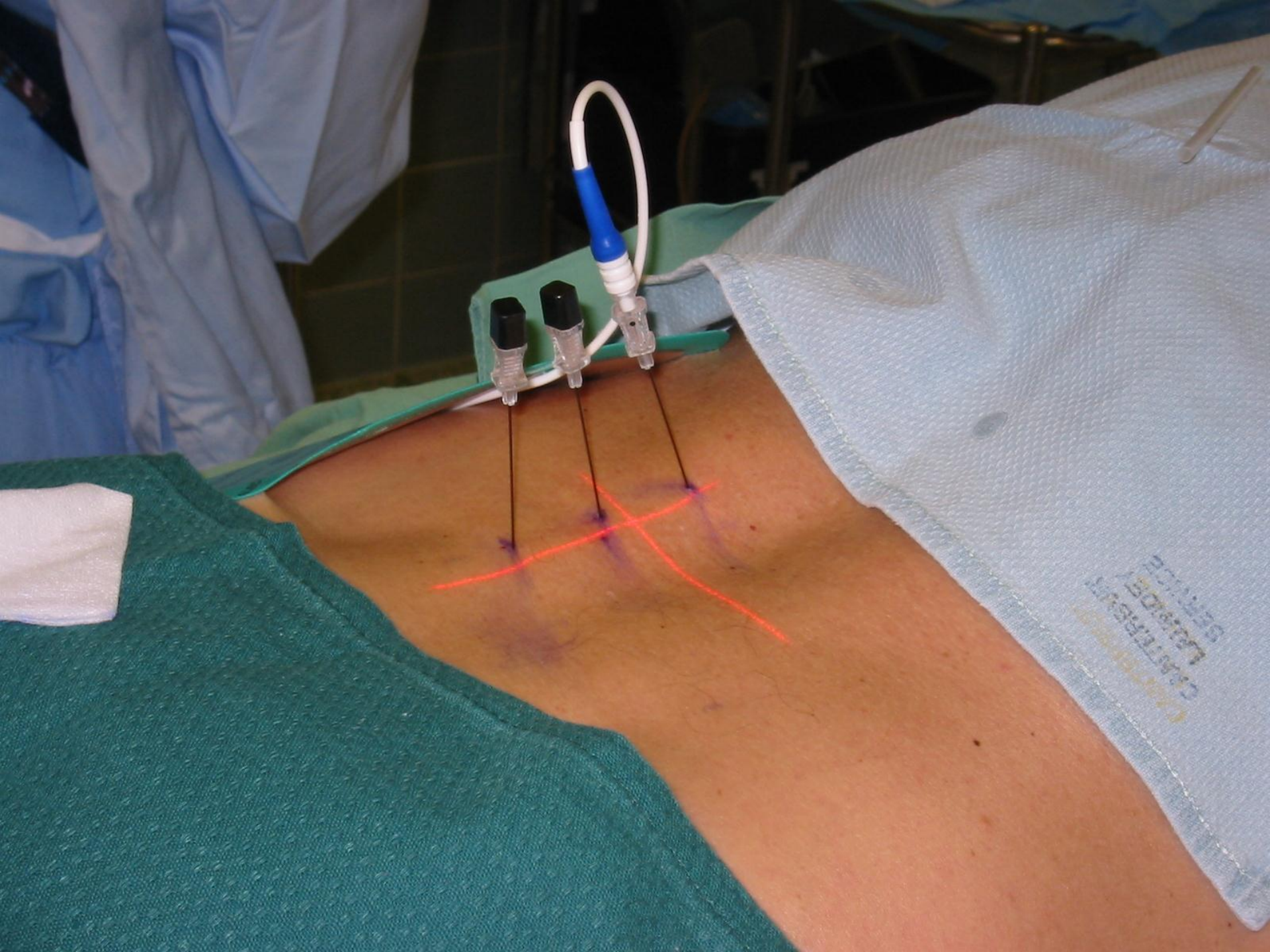
Percutaneous Vertebroplasty



M. Conclusion - Take Home Points

- Patterns of chronic pain in New Zealand are similar to international patterns
- Chronic pain represents a major health issue in New Zealand
- Optimal management of acute and chronic pain start with assessment of patients' expectations, with weighing the pros and cons of potential drug therapies, and to determine an individualised treatment strategy
- Thorough patient assessment with regular review and pharmacovigilance ensure optimal efficacy and safety in prescribing
- Future therapies include focal therapy with sustained analgesic efficacy (capsaicin patches, botulinum toxin)
- Treatments acting on new targets, such as cytokine inhibitors, metabotropic glutamate inhibitors, and TRPV1 antagonists
- Early referral with acute persistent pain

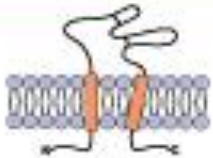




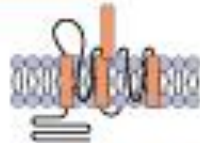


Na⁺, Ca²⁺, and K⁺ Channels

Purinergic	
P2X	P2Y
P2X3	P2Y1



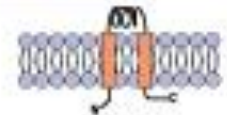
2P Domain K ⁺	
TASK-1	TRAAK
TREK-1	
TREK-2	



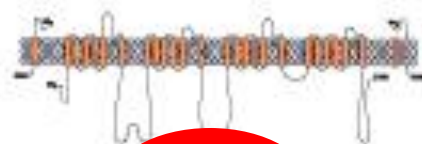
TRP	
ASICs	TRPM
TRPV1	TRPM8
TRPV2	
TRPV3	
TRPV4	



DEG / ENaCs	
ASICs	ENaCs
ASIC1a	aENaC
ASIC1b	
ASIC2a	
ASIC2b	
ASIC3	



Modulation
Ligand-gated channels
G-protein receptors
Tyrosine kinase receptors
Guanylyl cyclase receptors
Peptides, aminoacids, purines, 5-HT, GFs, AA metabolites, opioids



Na ⁺ v	
	TTX-R
Na ⁺ v1.3	Na ⁺ v1.8
Na ⁺ v1.6	Na ⁺ v1.9
Na ⁺ v1.7	



Ca ²⁺ v	
N-Type	T-Type
Ca ²⁺ v2.2	Ca ²⁺ v3.1
	Ca ²⁺ v3.2
	Ca ²⁺ v3.3



K ⁺ v	
ASICs	ENaCs
K ⁺ v1.1	K ⁺ v1.4
K ⁺ v1.2	
K ⁺ vb2.1	

Voltage Gated Channels

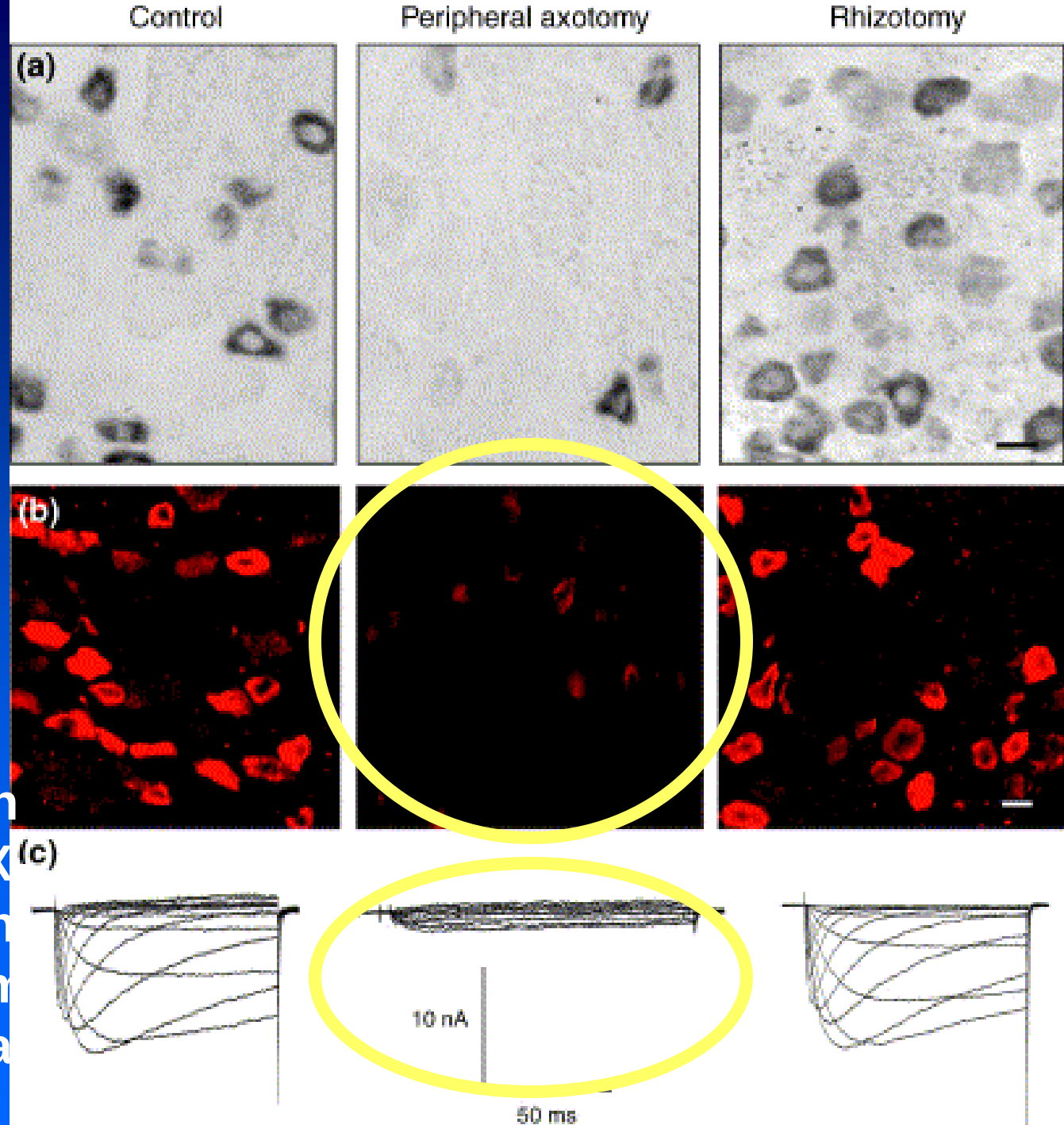
Na_v1.9 following nerve injury

(a) *In situ* hybridization

(b) immuno-cytochemistry

(c) whole-cell patch-clamp studies

↓ in Na_v1.9 transcripts, protein and persistent TTX-resistant current in small neurons from dorsal root ganglia following axotomy

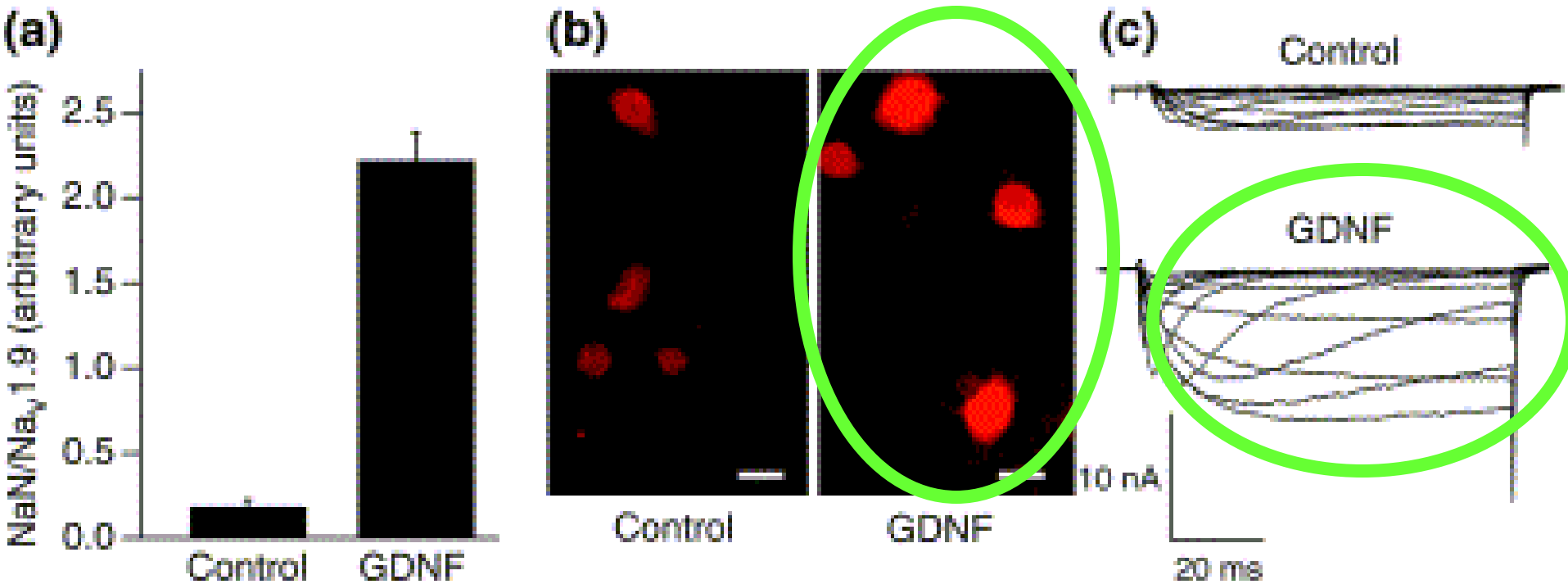


Rescue of *Scn11a* gene expression by glial-cell-derived neurotrophic factor (GDNF)

Addition of GDNF to cultures of dorsal root ganglia (DRG) maintained *in vitro* for seven days significantly upregulates

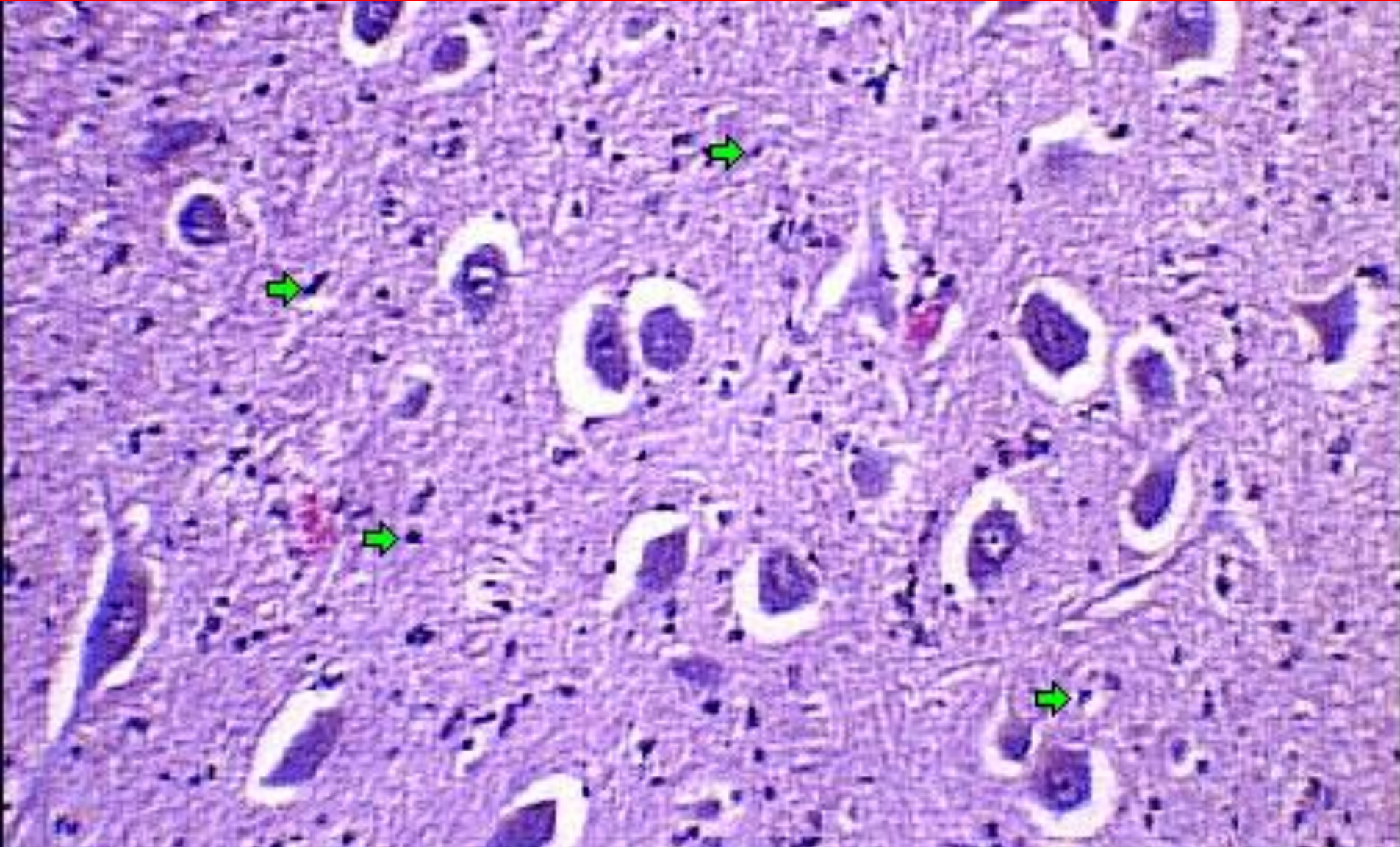
(a) $\text{Na}_v1.9$ transcripts, (b) protein and (c) persistent TTX-resistant current compared to control cultures. Scale bars, 25 μm .

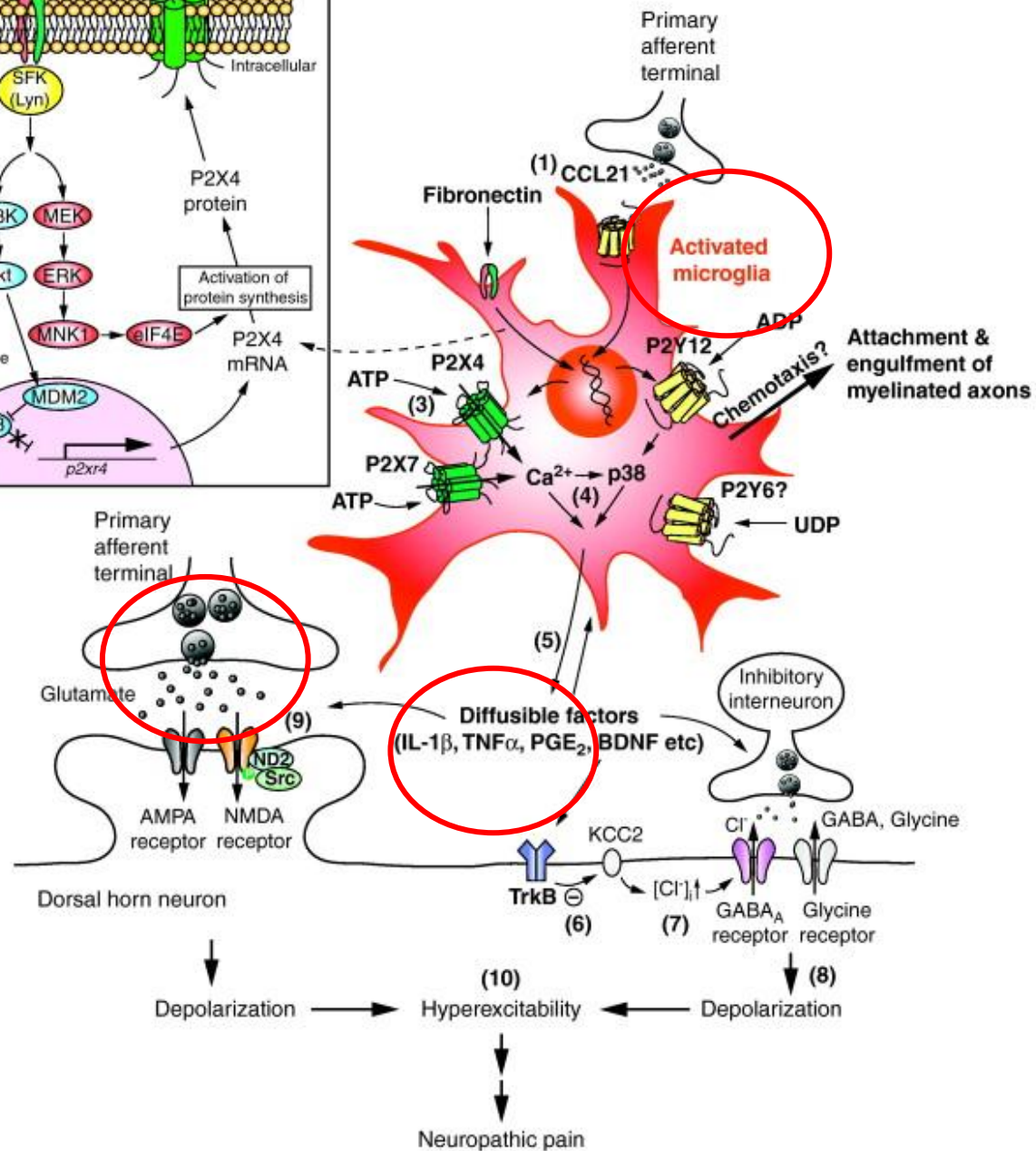
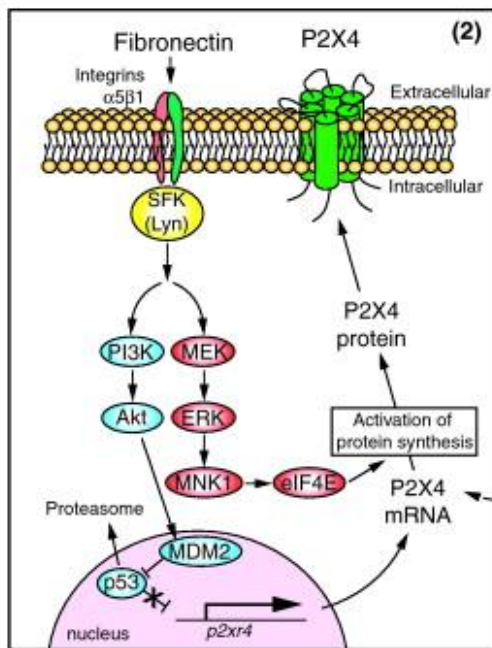
(Trends in Neurosciences 2004)



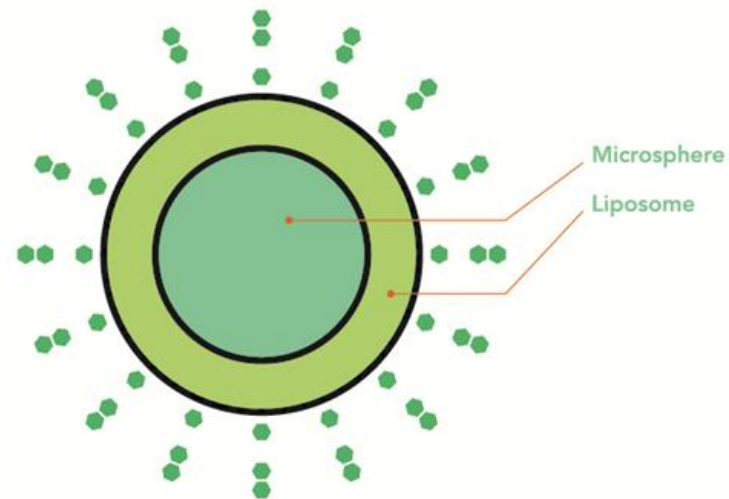
C. Peripheral and Central Sensitisation

Neuroglial cells

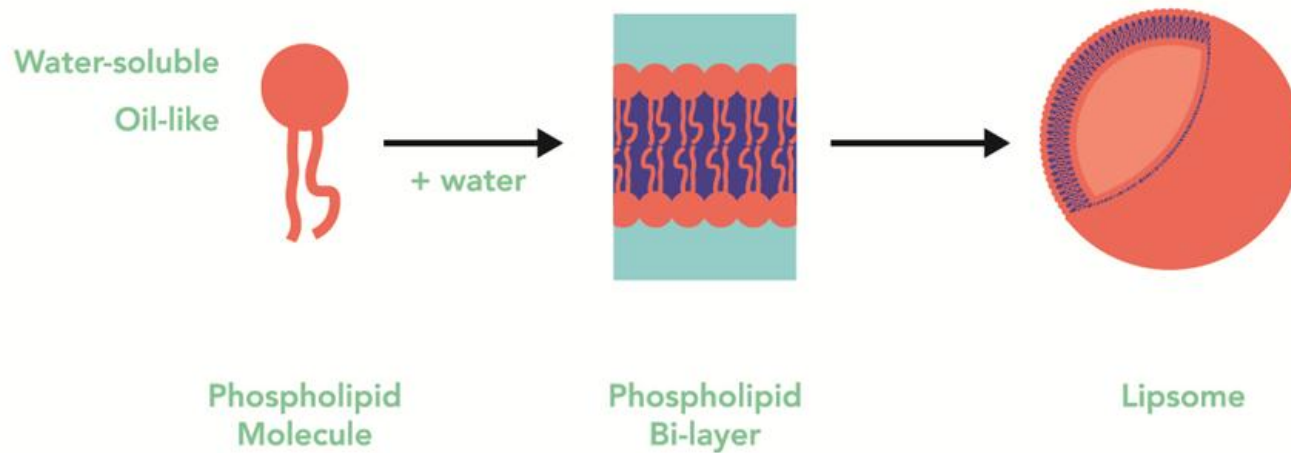




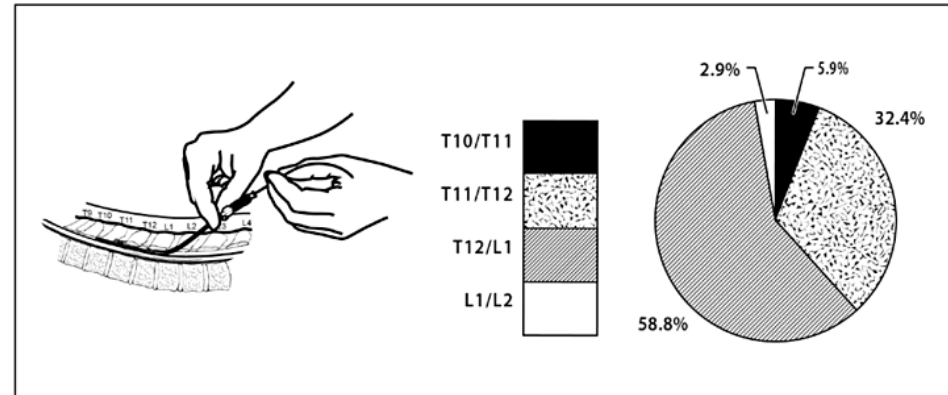
Microspheres (or nanospheres) within a liposome

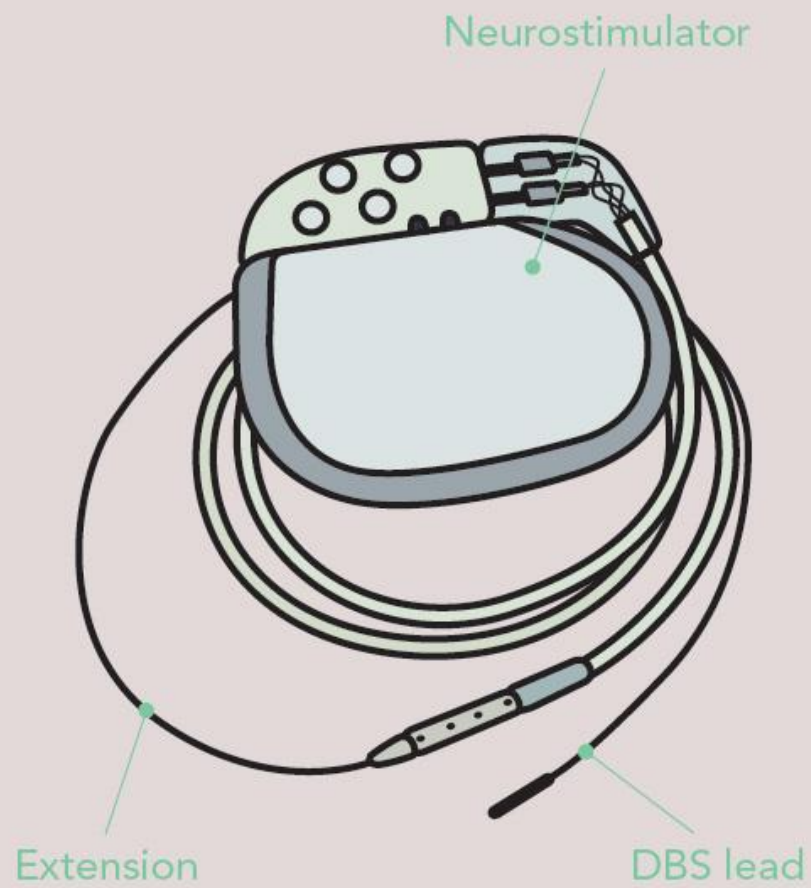


A liposomal structure assembled from phospholipid molecules



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