# Tecnologie MRI per le neuroscienze

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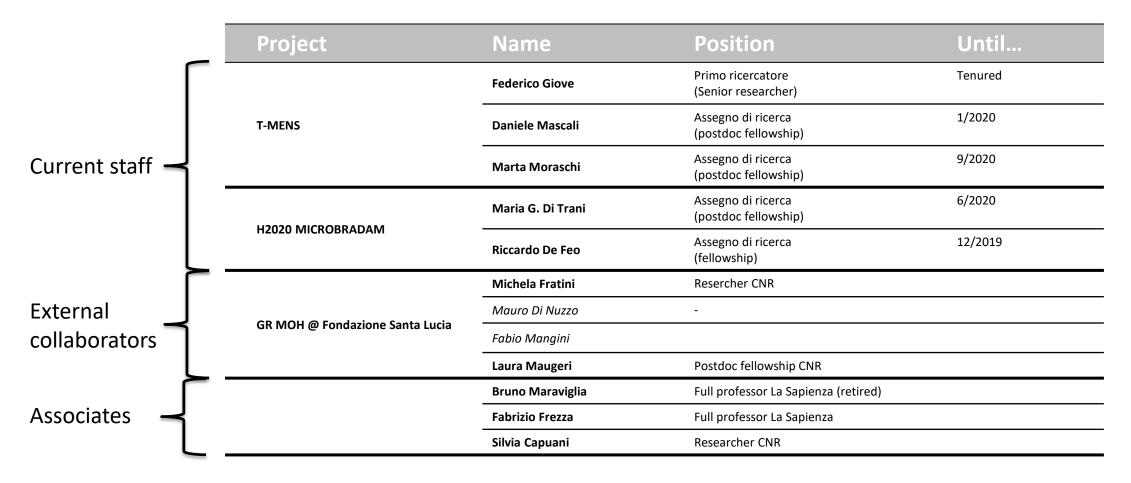
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### Place of Work & Collaborations:

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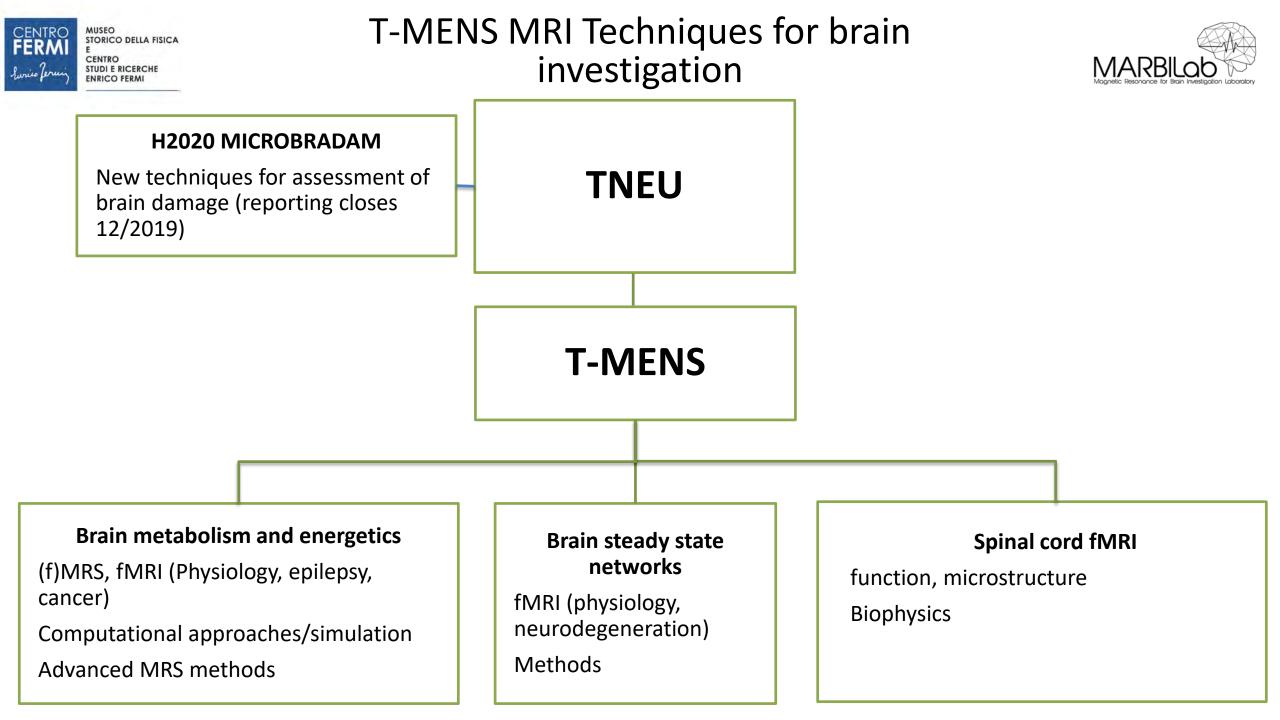
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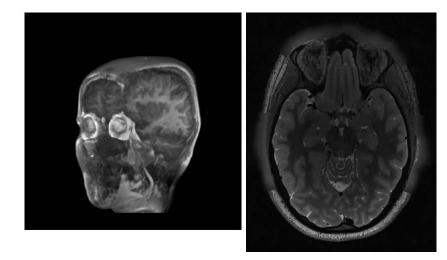
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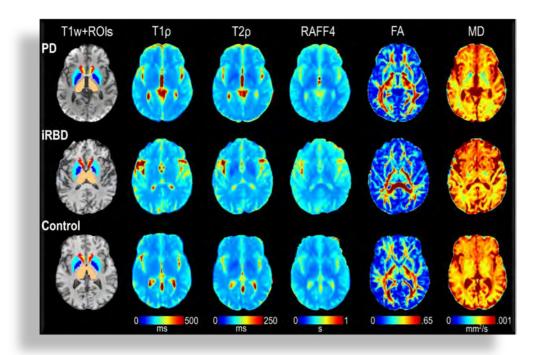




**Wultiparametric structural imaging** with high spatial resolution and fast acquisition



**\Quantitative approaches** for the characterization of neurological and psychiatric diseases (investigation of new contrast mechanisms)



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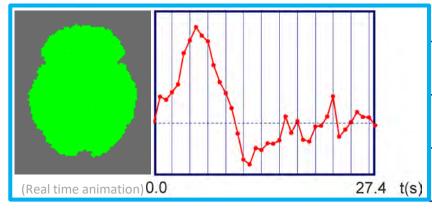
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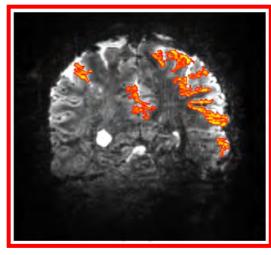
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**Development of functional imaging** with high spatiotemporal resolution with simultaneous \_\_\_\_\_\_ multislice excitation



(S Moeller et al., MRM 2016)

Rome, December 2019

Metabolic profiling for investigation in Neurosciences and fingerptinting of pathologies

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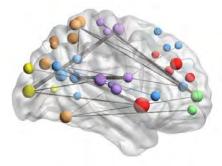
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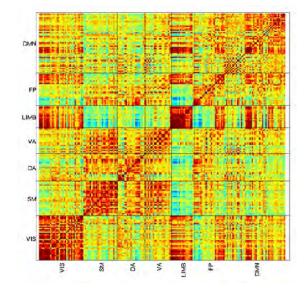
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**Dynamics of brain connectomics:** acute and chronic changes associated to function





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# Publications 2019



#### International journal

- 1. Riccardo De Feo and Federico Giove. Towards an efficient segmentation of small rodents brain: a short critical review. Journal of Neuroscience Methods 323 (2019), 82–89. DOI: 10.1016/j.jneumeth.2019.05.003.
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- 6. Fabio Mangini, Mauro DiNuzzo, Laura Maugeri, Marta Moraschi, Daniele Mascali, Fab-rizio Frezza, Federico Giove, and Michela Fratini. Numerical simulation of the Blood Oxy- genation Level-Dependent functional Magnetic Resonance Signal using Finite Element Method. International Journal for Numerical Methods in Biomedical Engineering (2019). DOI: 10.1002/cnm.3290.
- 7. Juan Miguel Valverde, Artem Shatillo, Riccardo De Feo, Olli Gröhn, Alejandra Sierra, and Jussi Tohka. "Automatic Rodent Brain MRI Lesion Segmentation with Fully Convolutional Networks". In: Machine Learning in Medical Imaging. Ed. by Heung-II Suk, Mingxia Liu, Pingkun Yan, and Chunfeng Lian. Lecture Notes in Computer Science. Springer International Publishing, 2019, pp. 195–202. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-32692-0\_23.



## **Publications WIP**



#### Submitted/under revision

- 1. Michela Fratini, Ali Abdollahzadeh, Mauro DiNuzzo, Raimo A. Salo, Federico Giove, Olli Gröhn, and Alejandra Sierra Lopez. Unveiling neurodegeneration in the CNS with a multi- disciplinary and multiscale approach. Frontiers in Neuroscience (202?). Under revision.
- 2. Daniele Mascali, Marta Moraschi, Mauro DiNuzzo, Silvia Tommasin, Michela Fratini, Tom- maso Gili, Richard G. Wise, Silvia Mangia, Emiliano Macaluso, and Federico Giove. Evaluation of denoising strategies for task-based functional connectivity. Neuroimage (202?). Under revision.
- 3. Paolo Miocchi, Alejandra Sierra, Laura Maugeri, Eleonora Stefanutti, Ali Abdollahzadeh, Fabio Mangini, Marta Moraschi, Inna Bukreeva, Lorenzo Massimi, Francesco Brun, et al. Steerable3D: an ImageJ plugin for neurovascular enhancement in 3-D segmentation. Physica Medica (202?). Submitted.
- 4. Marta Moraschi, Daniele Mascali, Silvia Tommsain, Tommaso Gili, Ibrahim Eid Hassan, Michela Fratini, Mauro DiNuzzo, Richard G. Wise, Silvia Mangia, Emiliano Macaluso, et al. Network modularity during a sustained working-memory task. Frontiers in Physiology (202?). Submitted.

#### ~ready to be submitted (1-2 months)

- 1. Riccardo De Feo, Alejandra Sierra, Artem Shatilo, Juan-Miguel Valverde, Olli Gröhn, Federico Giove, and Jussi Tohka. Multi-task U-Net for automated segmentation and skullstripping in mouse brain MRI. Nature Communications. (202?). In preparation.
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### **Dissemination overview**



- Published on international journal: 7
- Ongoing: 4+5
- 4 communications to international congress (2 given, 2 submitted)
- 1 special issue under editing (Frontiers in Physics, Frontiers in Neuroscience, Frontiers in Physiology. Proceedings of ISMRBF, Erice, 2018)
- 1 Workshop being organized (ISMRBF, Erice, November 2020)
- Seminars to PhD and undergraduate students
- Outreach to population with general press, open days
- web site(s) (www.marbilab.eu, ismrbf.marbilab.eu, microbradam.marbilab.eu)



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#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL ON MAGNETIC RESONANCE AND BRAIN FUNCTION – XII WORKSHOP

EDITED BY: Federico Giove and Itamar Ronen PUBLISHED IN: Frontiers in Neuroscience and Frontiers in Physics



#### H2020 MICROBRADAM results: new diagnostic tools for neurological diseases diagnosys NEWS (/component/fac/NEWS) · BRAIK (/component/fac/stac/BBAIK)

The project H2020 MSCA-RISE 691112 MICROBRADAM is now ending During its 4-years activities, the Consortium has developed innovative MRI technologies to investigate neurological diseases, and has improved novelolgin sharing between localing EU and US institutions:



Magnetic resonance imaging (MR) is a main resource for neuroscience and clinical practice. MR is especially fexible, peacure the signal can be sensitized to several biophysical and biological phenomena. Importantly, many technological advances can be easily ported to clinical opplications.

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#### Neuroscienziati confidano in tecniche innovative per la diagnosi precoce della sclerosi multipla

Un progetto europeo coordinato dal Centro Fermi studia nuove tecniche di rilassamento che permettono di identificare prontamente i processi di demielinazione cerebrale

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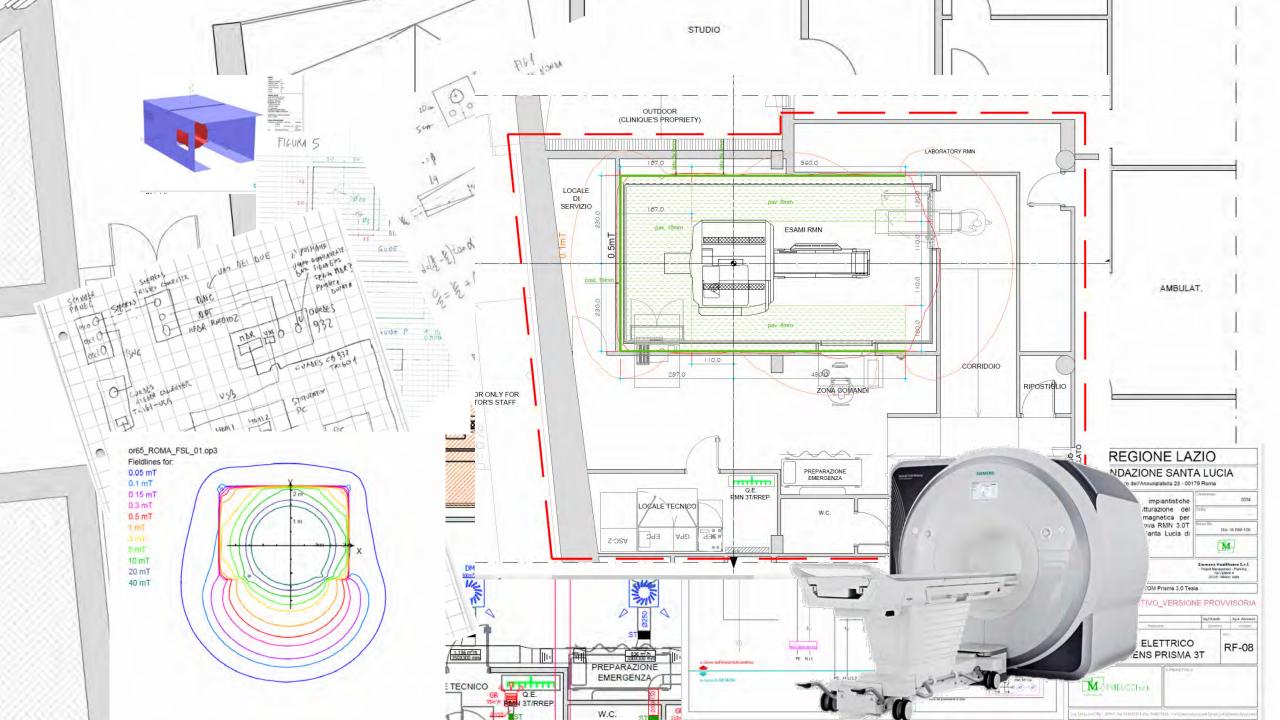


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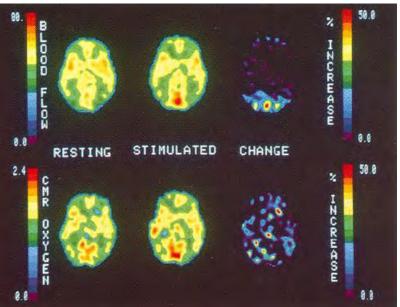






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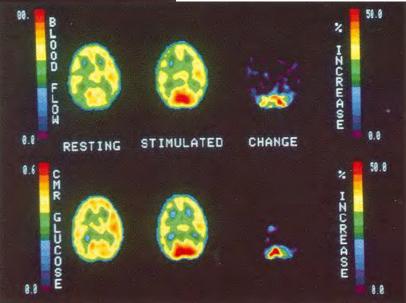
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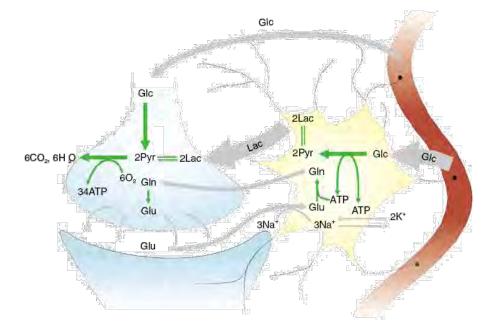
#### Nonoxidative Glucose Consumption During Focal Physiologic Neural Activity

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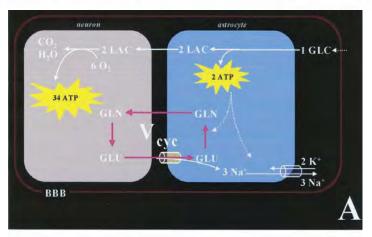
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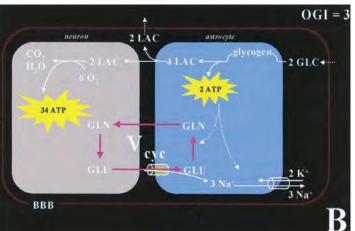
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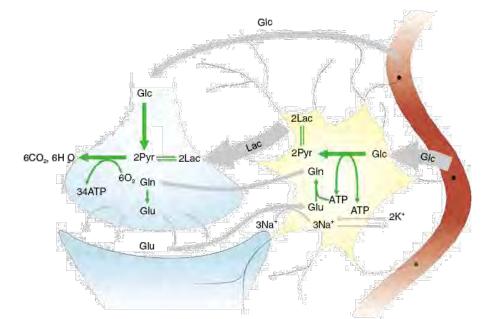
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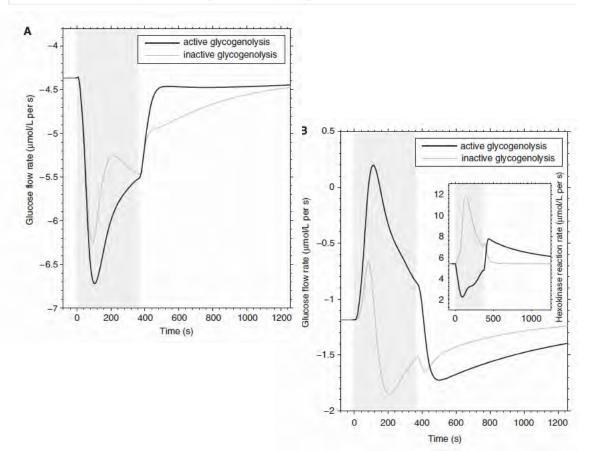
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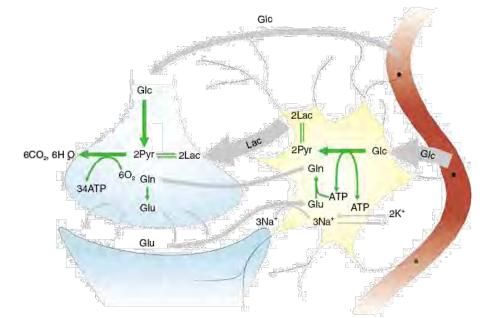
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#### Glycogenolysis in astrocytes supports blood-borne glucose channeling not glycogen-derived lactate shuttling to neurons: evidence from mathematical modeling

Mauro DiNuzzo<sup>1</sup>, Silvia Mangia<sup>2</sup>, Bruno Maraviglia<sup>1,3</sup> and Federico Giove<sup>1,4</sup>









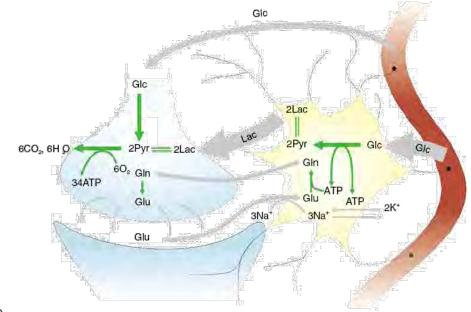
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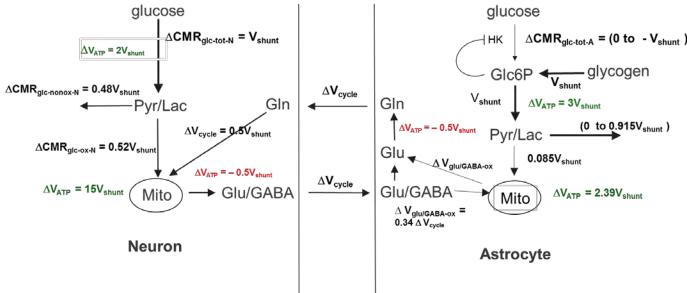
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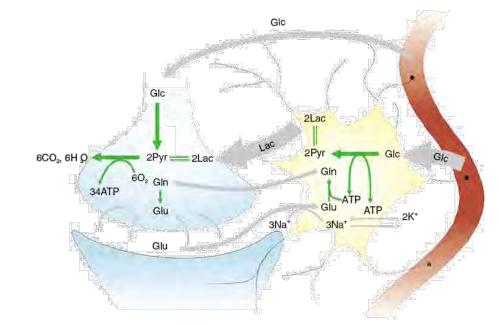
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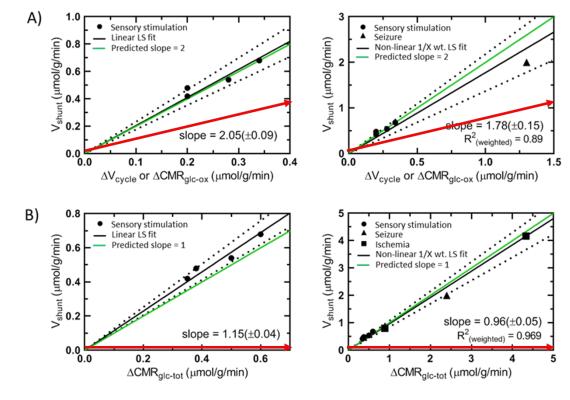






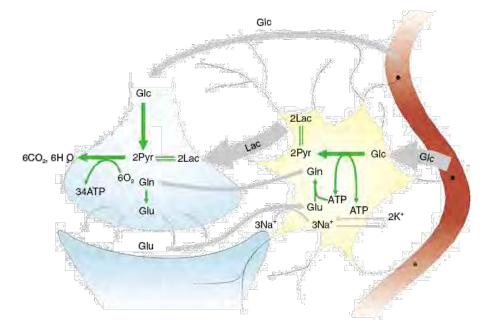


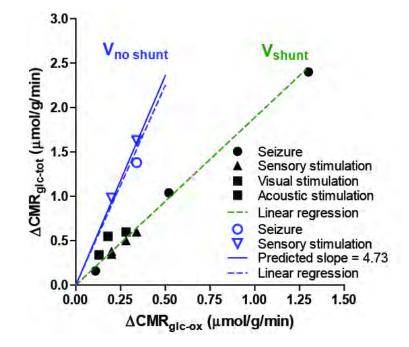
















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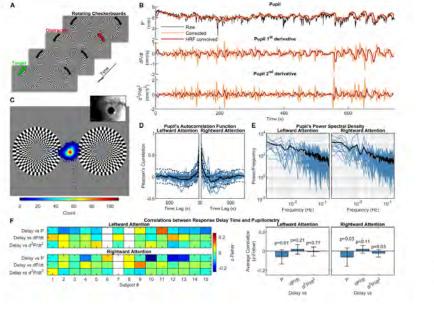


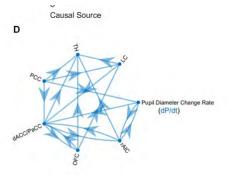
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# Brain Networks Underlying Eye's Pupil Dynamics

Mauro DiNuzzo<sup>1\*</sup>, Daniele Mascali<sup>1,2</sup>, Marta Moraschi<sup>1,2</sup>, Giorgia Bussu<sup>3</sup>, Laura Maugeri<sup>1</sup>, Fabio Mangini<sup>1</sup>, Michela Fratini<sup>1,4</sup> and Federico Giove<sup>1,2</sup>





- widespread visual and sensorimotor BOLDfMRI deactivations correlated with pupil diameter.
- activations correlated with pupil diameter change rate within a set of brain regions known to be implicated in selective attention, salience, error-detection and decision-making (LC, thalamus, PCC, dorsal anterior cingulate and paracingulate cortex (dACC/PaCC), orbitofrontal cortex (OFC), and right anterior insular cortex (rAIC).
- Granger-causality analysis performed on these regions yielded a complex pattern of interdependence, wherein LC and pupil dynamics were far apart in the network and separated by several cortical stages

 Further details on methodological aspects of resting state fMRI in the following slides





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# Evaluation of denoising strategies for task-based functional connectivity

Daniele Mascali

Project coordinator: Federico Giove

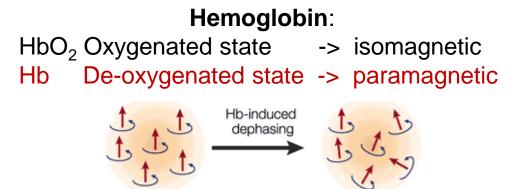
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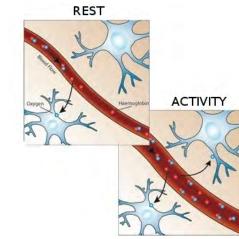
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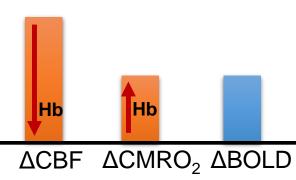
as statistical dependencies among remote neurophysiological events

#### Blood Oxygenation Level-Dependent (BOLD)



### Response to neuronal activity:



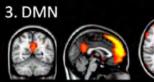


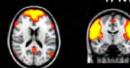
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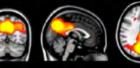




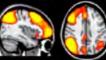


6. Right Fronto-Parietal

#### 5. Precuneus

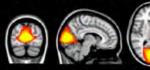






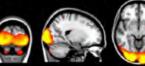
#### 7. Sensorimotor

8. Visual Medial

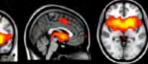


10. Basal Ganglia

#### 9. Visual Occipital

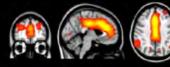


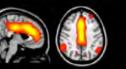




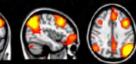
12. Left Fronto Parietal





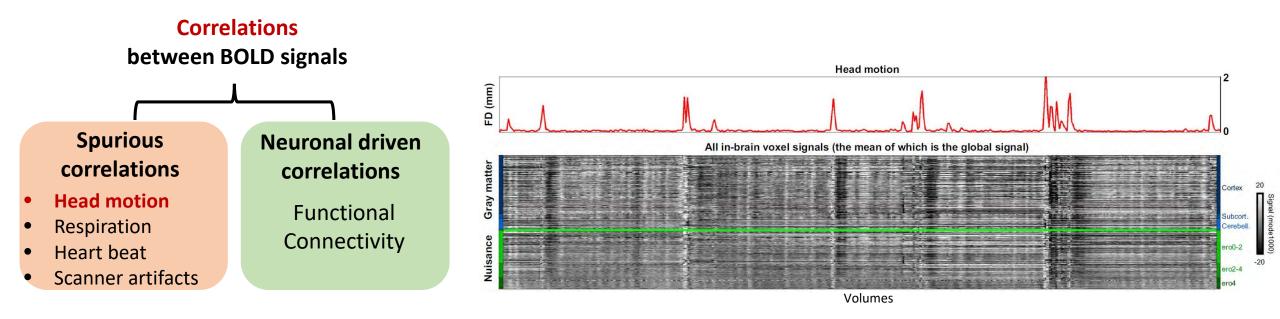






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### Sources of correlations in BOLD data



# Head motion differs between factor of interest:

#### Different populations, e.g.,:

Within the same population, e.g.,:

- Patients move more than healthy people
- Children/elderly move more than adults

Subjects move less when cognitively engaged

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0.2

**Framewise Displacement** 

300

Run 1

Run 2

Volumes

TASK

400

Framewise Displacement

**REST vs TASK** 

**REST<TASK** 

500

0.25

0.25

550

5

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(mm) 1 0.5

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>1mm

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1.5

TASK

100

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**Distribution of** 

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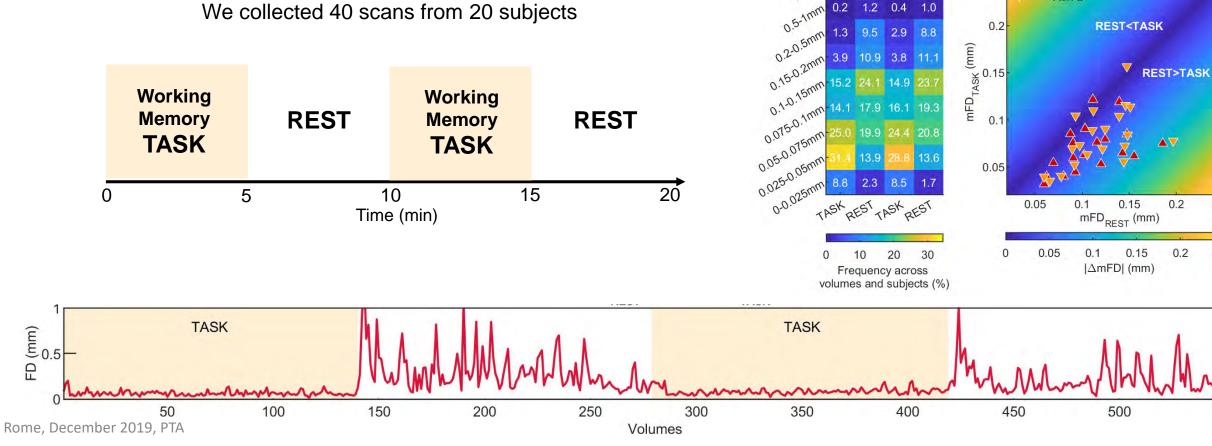
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### Goals and experimental design

To evaluate popular denoising strategies for cleaning up BOLD data spanning different cognitive conditions

We collected 40 scans from 20 subjects



Asem 6

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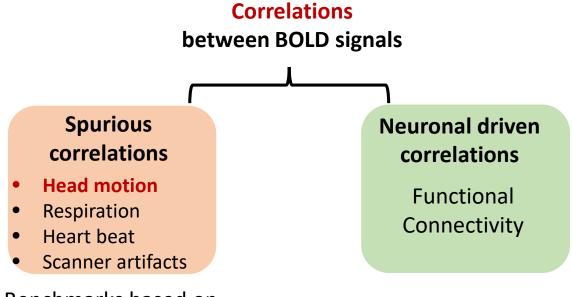
### Denoising strategies

	(	Confound regression ل			)
Band-pass filter to keep only frequency within 0.008- 0.1 Hz	<ul> <li>Realignment parameters (6RP)</li> <li>12RP (6RP + first derivatives)</li> <li>24RP (6RP + first derivatives + quadratic terms)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Signal from nuisance masks (i.e., WM and CSF)</li> <li>WM&amp;CSF (average signals)</li> <li>aCompCor (PCA, first 10 components)</li> <li>aCompCor 50%</li> </ul>	ICA-AROMA ICA + automatic classification of noise components	Global signal regression (GSR) • 2GSR (include derivative) • 4GSR (include derivative+ quadratic terms)	Censoring
	L 0.5 -1 -1,5 0 100 200 300 400 500 600 volumes		0.8.0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.0 Maximum RP Correlation		- Task Why why why why why

Rome, December 2019, PTA

### Denoising strategies and benchmarks

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2	24RP	190	
3	24RP+8WM&CSF	182	
4	24RP+aCompCor	180	
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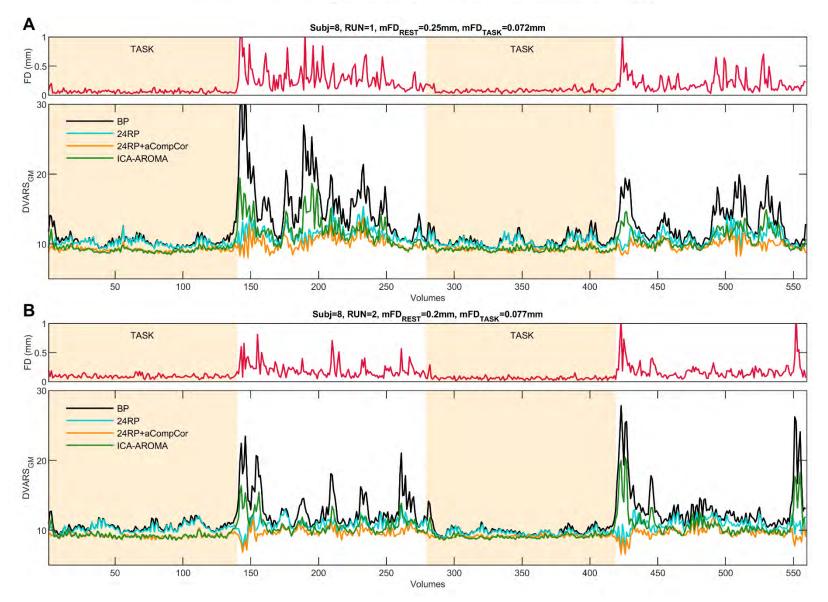


Benchmarks based on minimizing residual motion artifacts:

- DVARS
- QC-FC plots
- QC-FC distance dependency
- Δr plots

### **DVARS**

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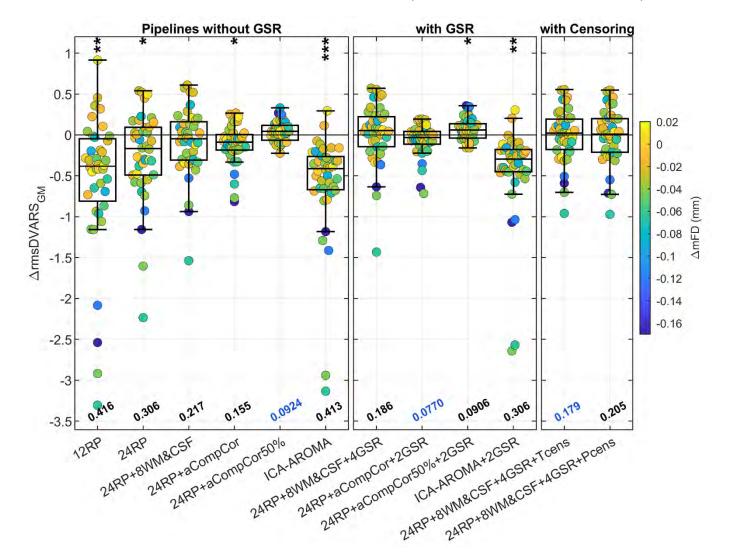


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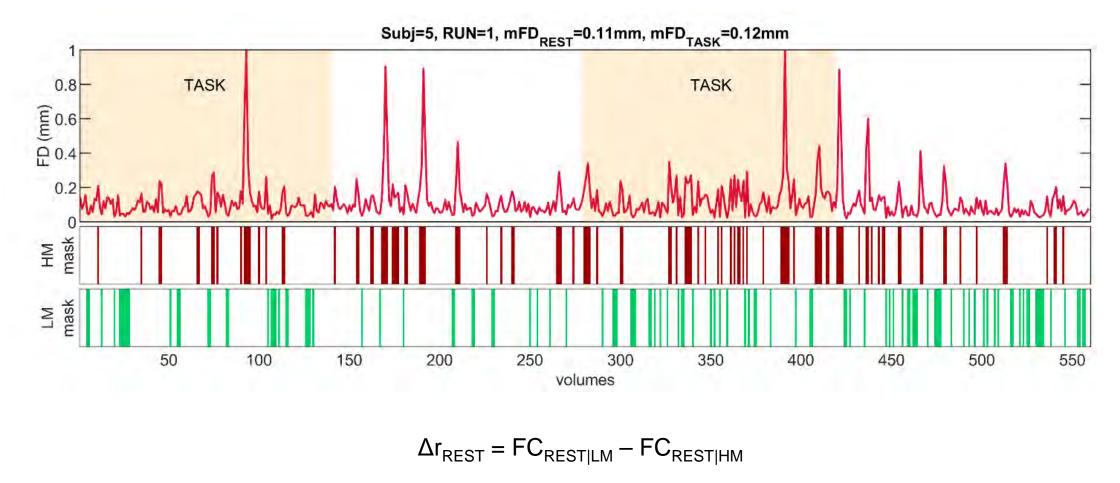
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 $\Delta rms(DVARS_{GM}) = rms(DVARS_{GM|TASK}) - rms(DVARS_{GM|REST})$ 

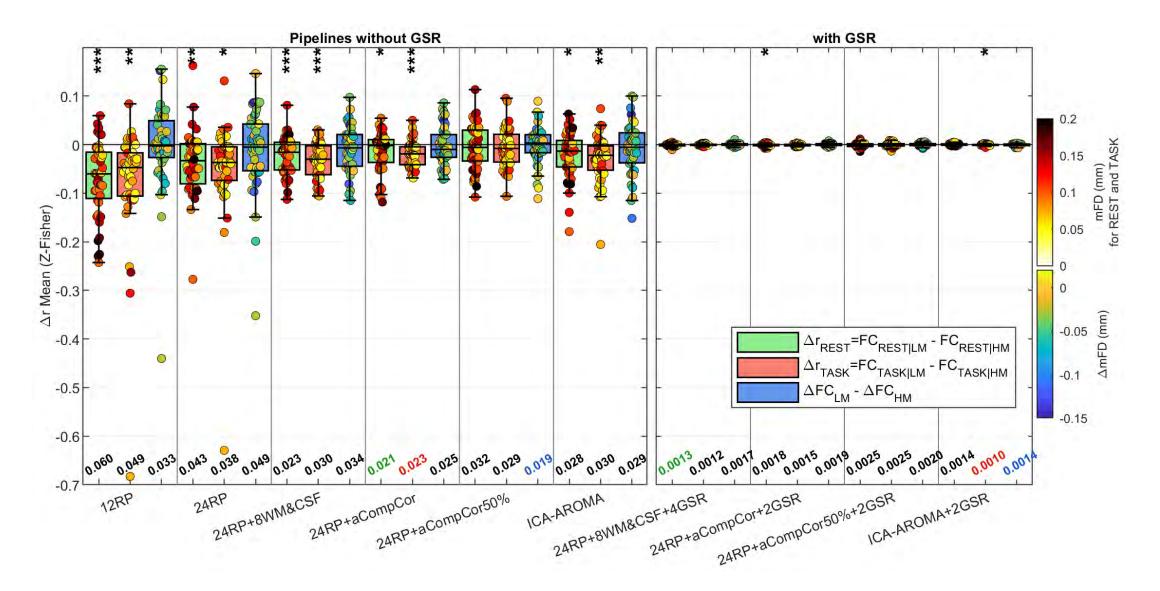


### $\Delta r$ plots



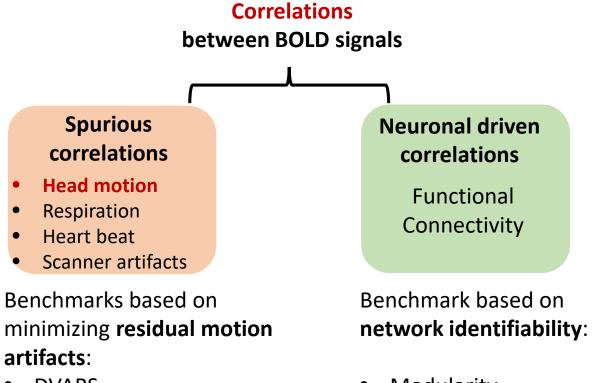
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### $\Delta r$ plots



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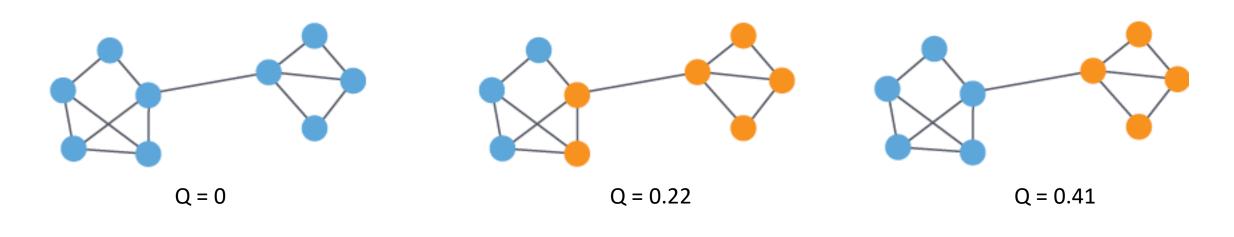
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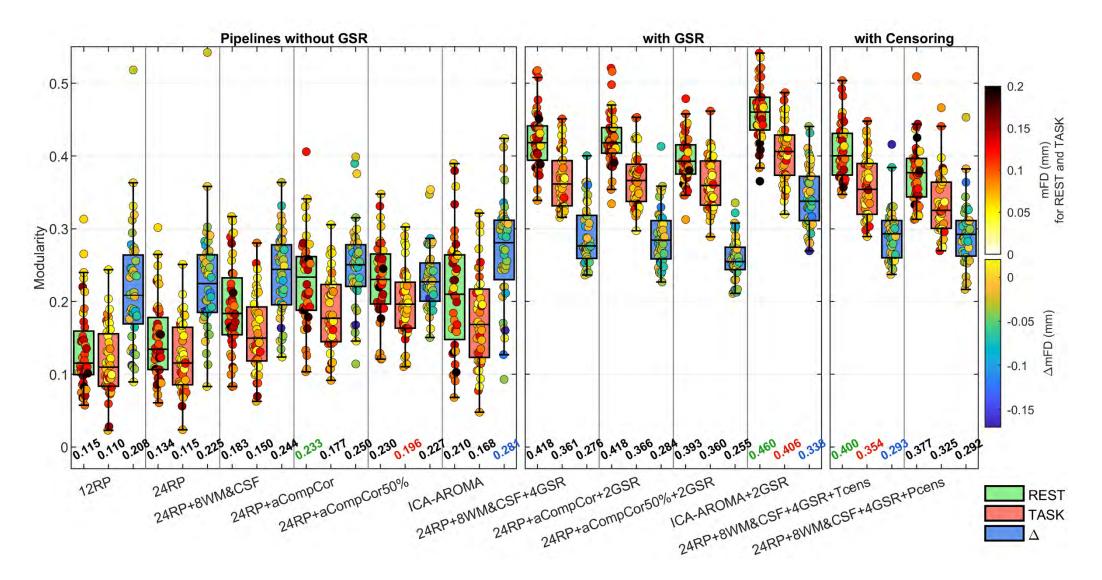


Community 1



Community 2

## Modularity (Q)



#### Conclusions

- Subjects move more during rest than during the execution of a working-memory task
- Many denoising strategies are inadequate to balance residual motion artifacts between conditions
- aCompCor50% / GSR performed well across many benchmarks
- We underscore the importance of reporting the residual motion-related artifacts alongside functional connectivity results

# END OF THE INSERT ON METHODOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF rsfMRI DOCUMENT CONTINUES WITH THE OVERALL REPORT

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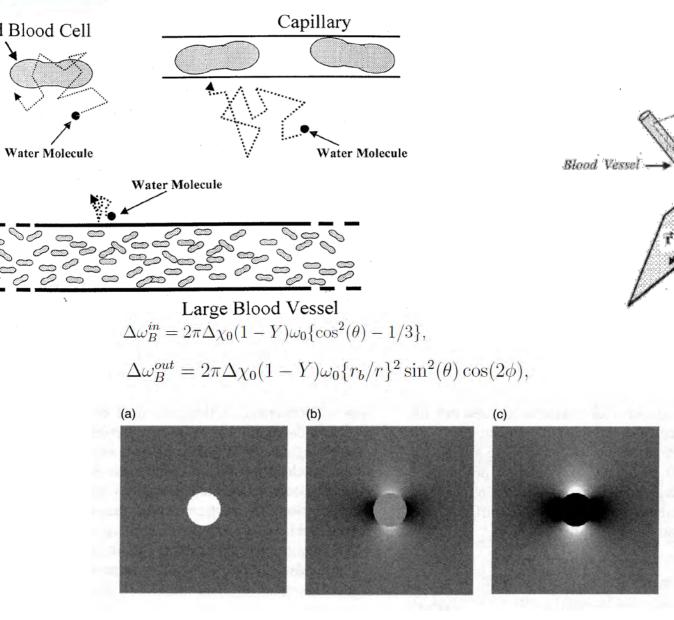
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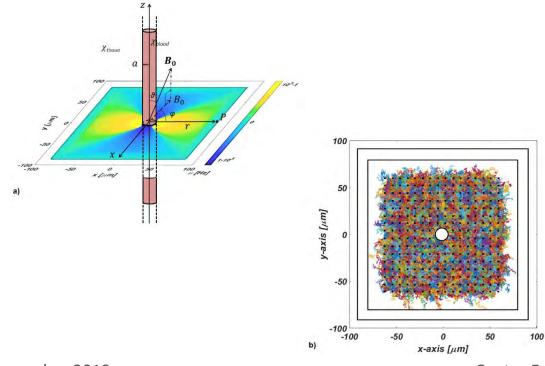




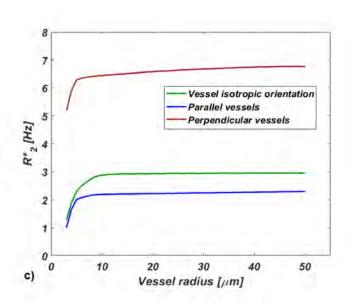
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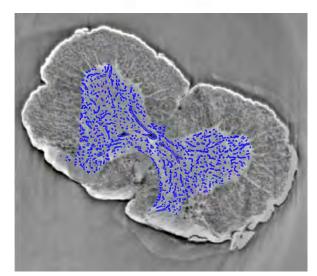
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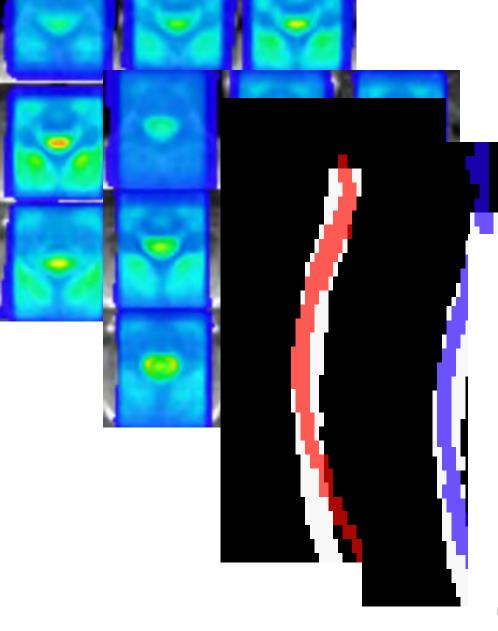
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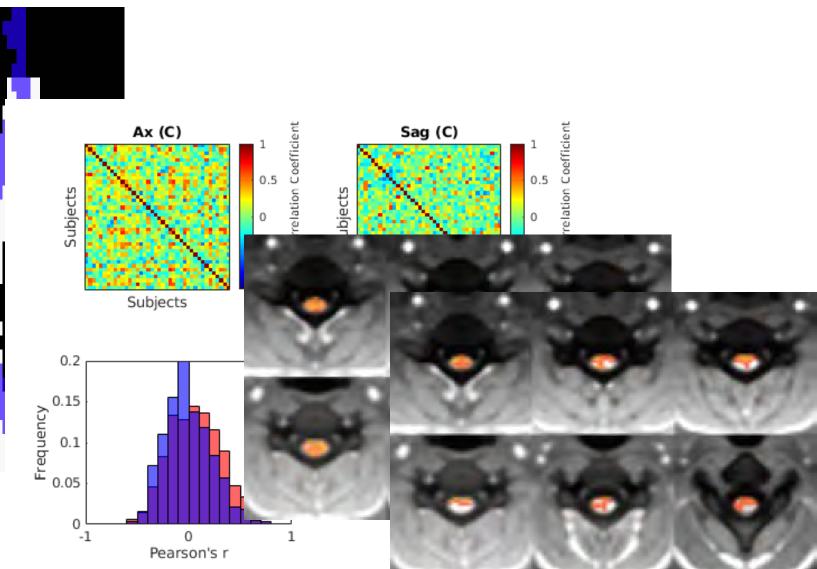


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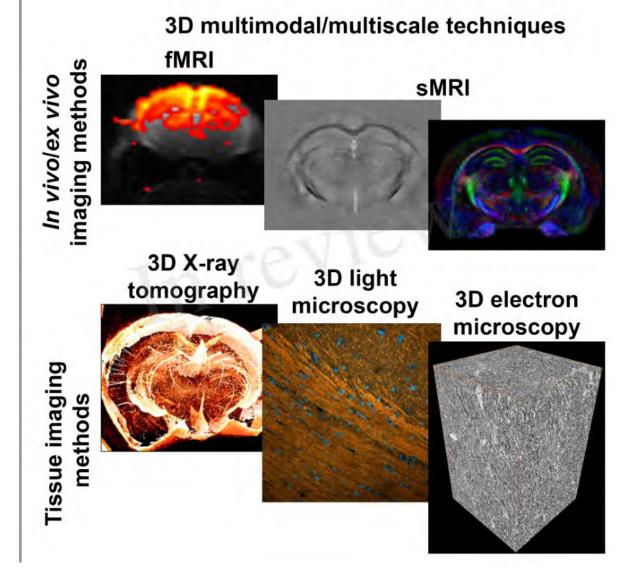


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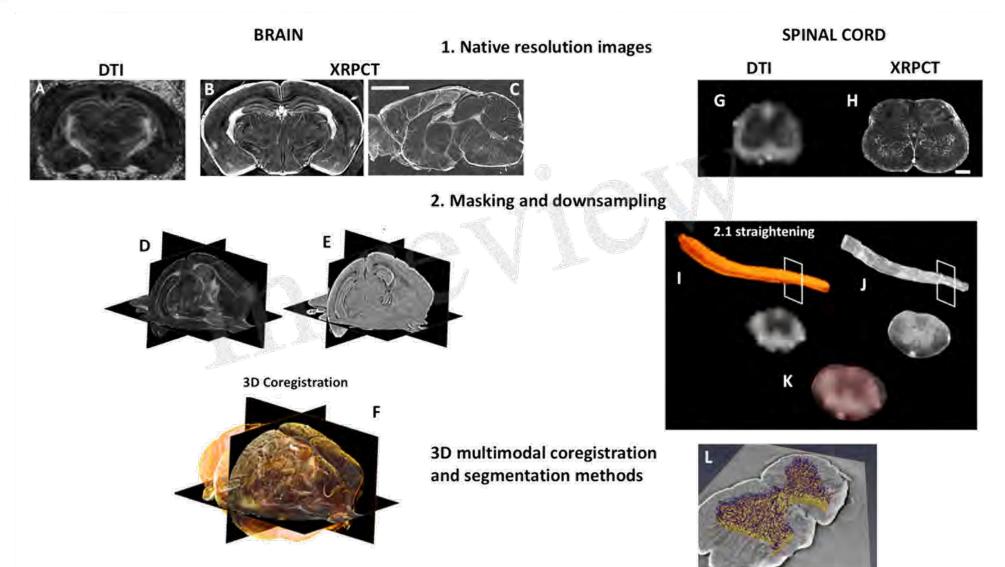
















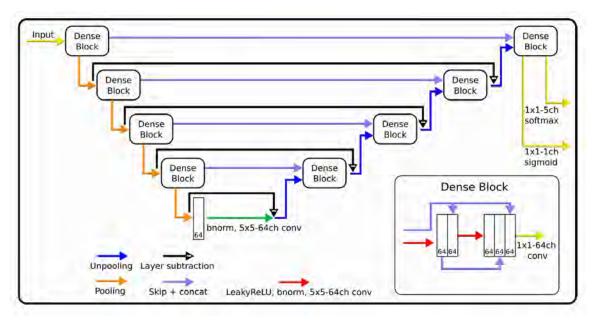
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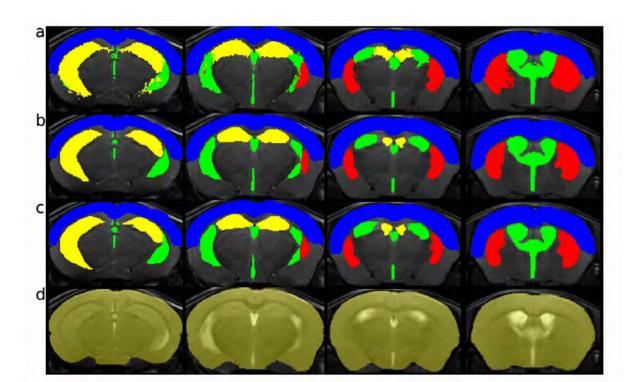


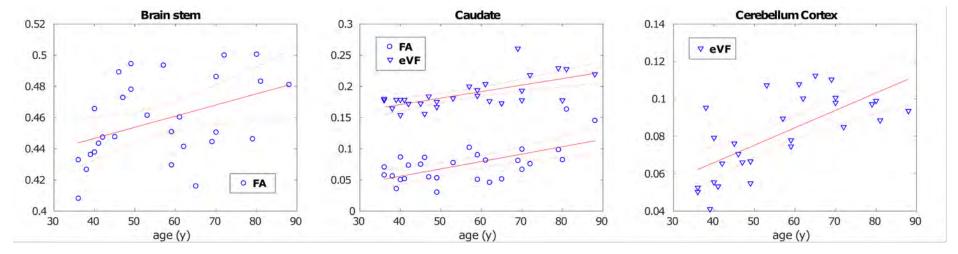
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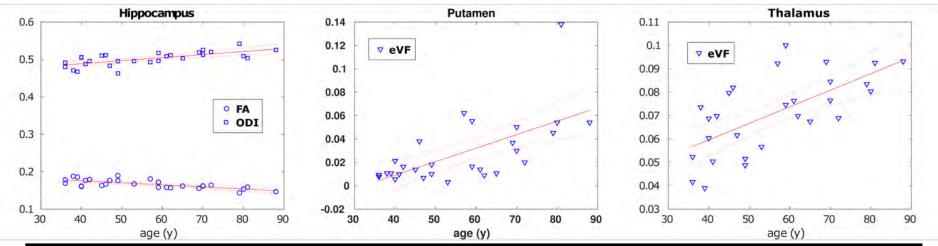
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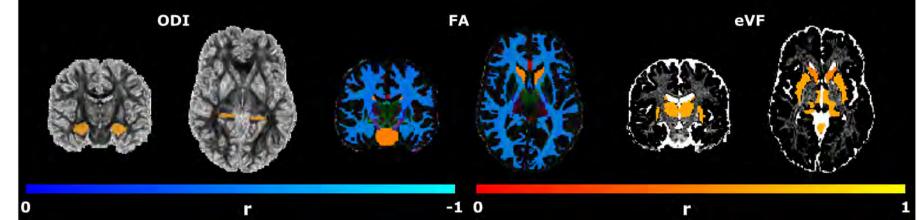














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• Expected funding in the 3-year period:

#### • Request of funding by Centro Fermi

- Grants : complement the external grants, in order to have always at least 2 young researchers involved in the core activities (2 postdocs. Evolution to 1 researcher + 1 postdoc when feasible)
- One postdoc cofunded by Fondazione Santa Lucia
- Cofunding for other grants if awarded and if needed
- Consumables/inventory per year: about 15 k€
- Contribution (studentships for young scientists, general organization) for the biennial Erice Workshop (next date: November 2020, http://ismrbf.marbilab.eu)

#### • External funding applied for or forthcoming

- MAECI ITA-ISR bilateral project MLrehab (monitoring of rehabilitation in MS, applied for)
- Regione Lazio Progetti strategici NBP (PAMINA follow-up, development of calibrated MR for CMRO2, applied for)
- Ricerca Finalizzata (applied for)
- BRAMIFUN (H2020 MICROBRADAM follow up, extension to function and neuromodulation, deadline April 2020\*)
- \*First attempt rejected with ranking in top 20% (cutoff for funding top 16%) with positive comments and suggestion to resubmit. Looking for a credible industrial partner, whose absence hindered the previous application





#### • Activity 2020

- New scanner commissioning. Pipelines for QA and automated processing Integration into PAMINA. Experimental activity from March.
- top-down modulations of metabolism: multiparametric study with spectroscopy and imaging (tonic response and steady-state networks).
- Impact of physiological parameters on steady state networks.
- Structural study on aging: publication
- Finalization of modelling of glycogen sparing hypothesis. Possible extension to time-resolved approaches.
- Applications of spinal cord fMRI in MS patients: finalization of processing and publication. Modelling of BOLD signal in realistic geometries. MB EPI on spinal cord. Simultaneous brain-spinal cord fMRI.
- Collaboration with VIEWLAB (synergistic biomedical physics/biophysics perspectives, shared computational resources...)
- Public presentation of PAMINA

#### • Activity 2021-2022

- Increased collaboration with UniChieti (RG Wise). Development of calibration methods for quantitation of CMRO2 and vascular reactivity.
- Aging: functional counterparts of structural changes
- Energetic budget on a network (in collaboration with MNL)
- Development of new metrics for the detection of BOLD fluctuations spatial scale



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