

# **X Programa de Educação Continuada em Fisiopatologia e Terapêutica da Dor – 2020**

Equipe de Controle de Dor da Divisão de Anestesia do Instituto Central do Hospital das Clínicas da FMUSP

## **Neuroimagem, placebo e dor.**

Fábio Porto, neurologista cognitivo e do comportamento  
Instituto de Psiquiatria- IPQ- HCFMUSP

"Dor é uma experiência sensitiva e emocional desagradável associada com danos reais ou potenciais em tecidos, ou assim percebida como dano.

**Fenômeno subjetivo**

International Association for  
the Study of Pain

# Lessons from Anti-Amyloid- $\beta$ Immunotherapies in Alzheimer Disease: Aiming at a Moving Target

with consistent clinical benefits. **Conclusions:** Despite the overall disappointing results, there is still hope that A $\beta$  immunotherapy in presymptomatic patients will prevent neuronal loss and provide significant clinical benefits that can be applied to larger populations as preventive therapies. Advances with other targets may soon provide additional therapeutic options for AD with increased efficacy.

10/03/2018

NIMH » Research Domain Criteria (RDoC)

The National Institute of Mental Health: <https://www.nimh.nih.gov/research-priorities/rdoc/index.shtml>

The National Institute of Mental Health: [www.nimh.nih.gov](http://www.nimh.nih.gov)

## Research Domain Criteria (RDoC)

RDoC is a research framework for new approaches to investigating mental disorders. It integrates many levels of information (from genomics and circuits to behavior and self-reports) in order to explore basic dimensions of functioning that span the full range of human behavior from normal to abnormal. RDoC is not meant to serve as a diagnostic guide, nor is it intended to replace current diagnostic systems. The goal is to understand the nature of mental health and illness in terms of varying degrees of dysfunctions in general psychological/biological systems.

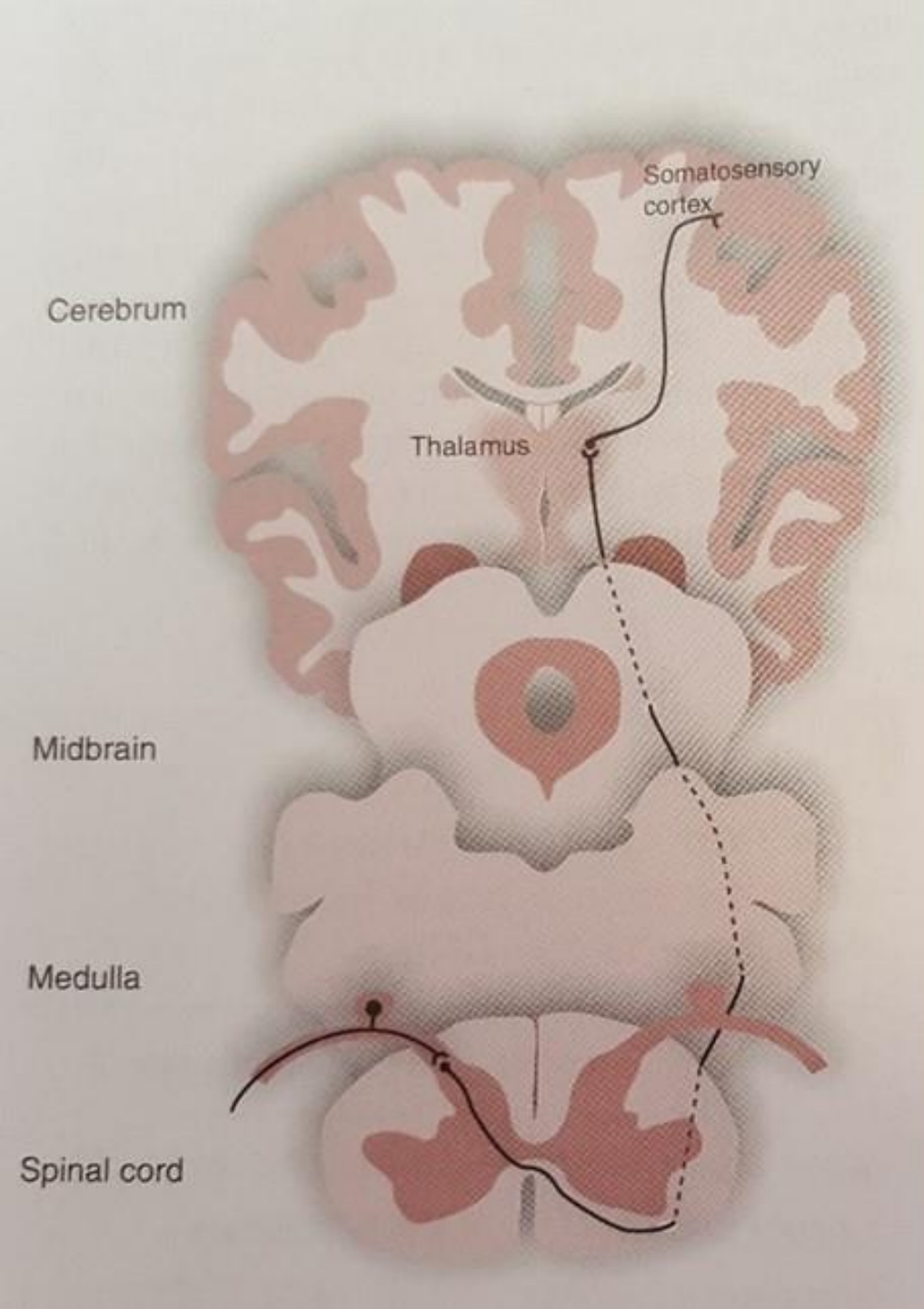
**Subscribe for RDoC announcements,  
funding opportunities, and events**

**Join the RDoC Discussion**

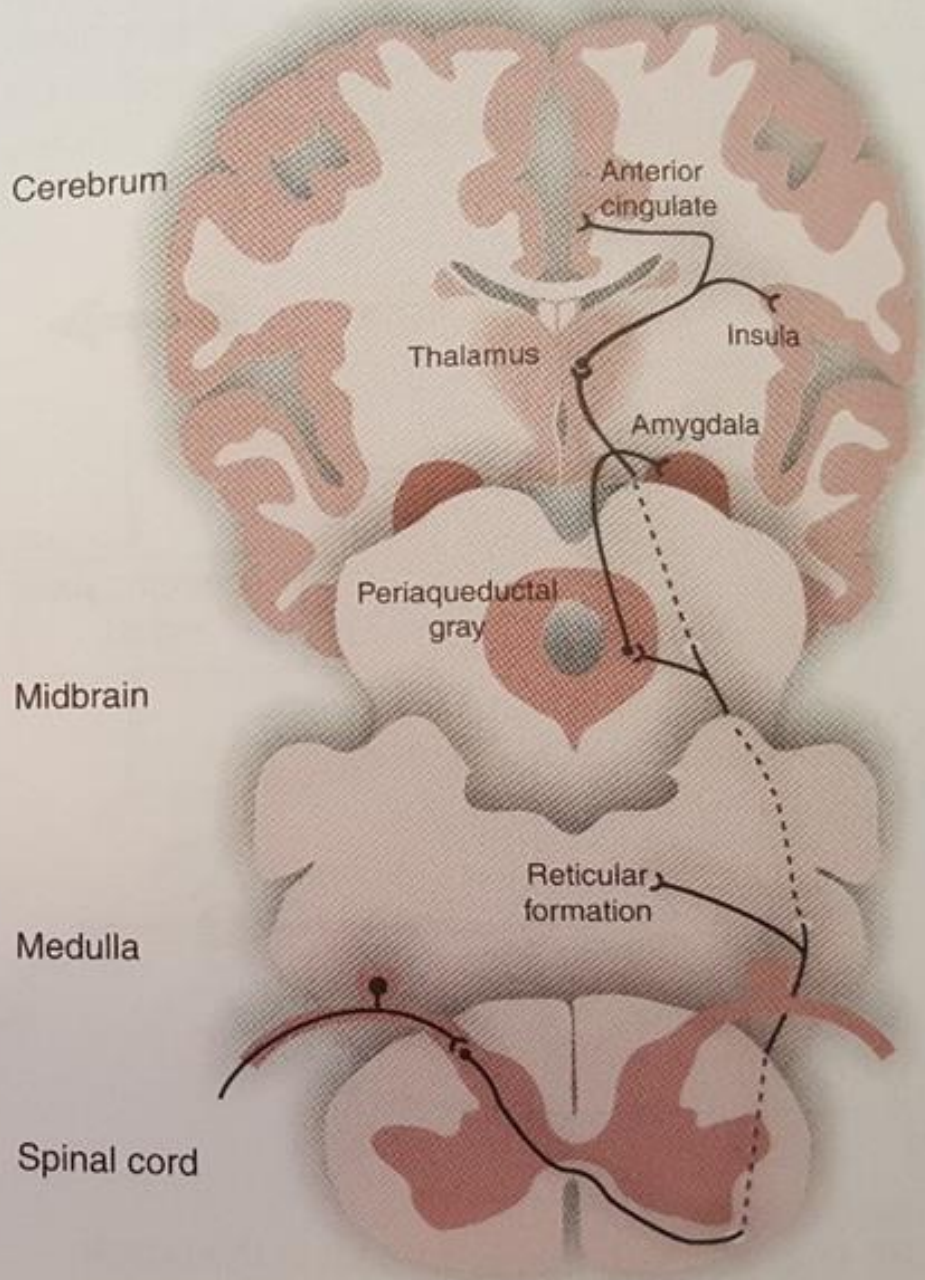


<https://www.nimh.nih.gov/research-priorities/rdoc/index.shtml>

**Medicina de precisão  
em dor: até onde  
sabemos**



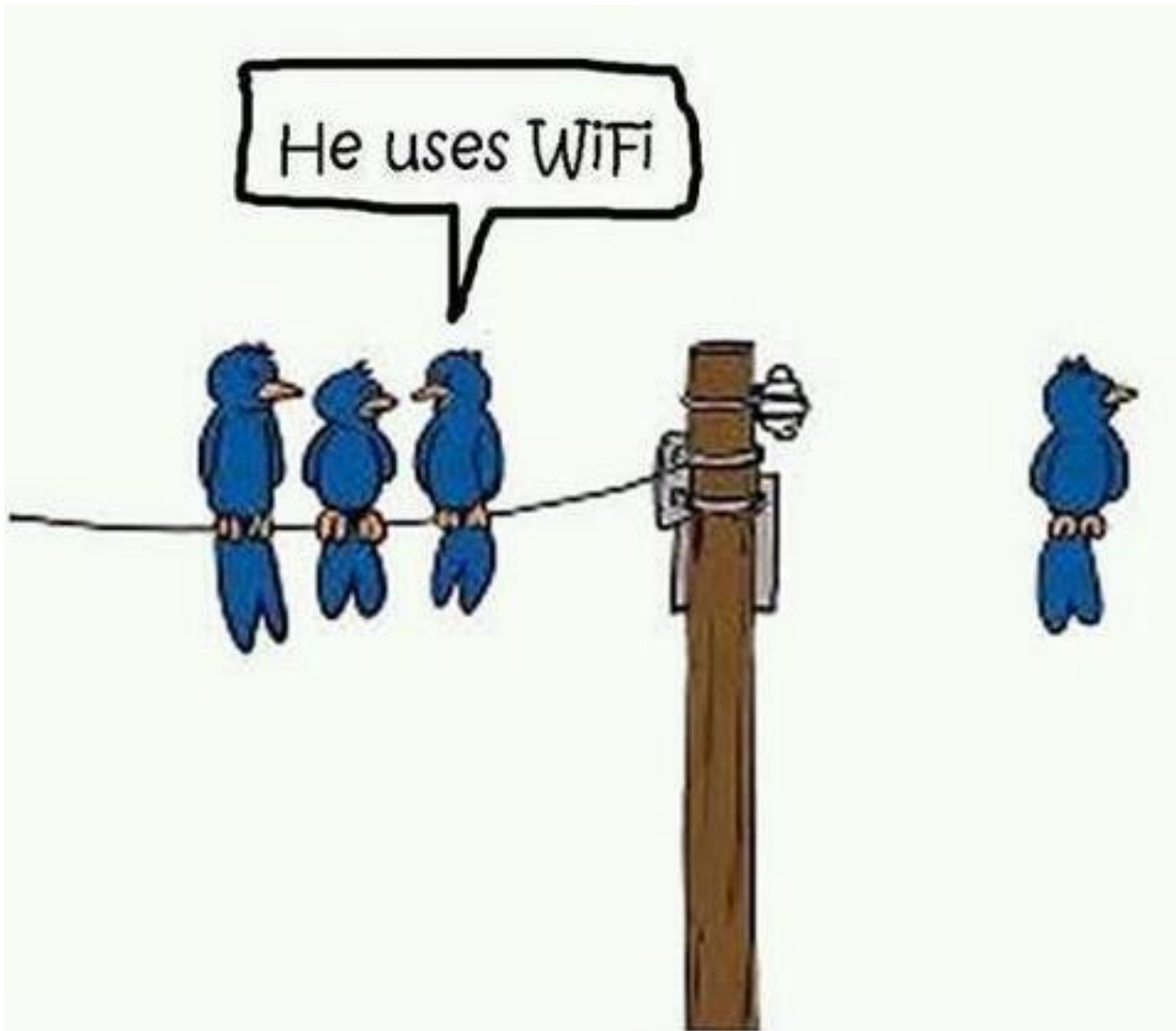
Mecanismos  
sensitivos /  
discriminativos  
→ via  
“tradicional” da  
dor **“Onde  
dói?”**



Mecanismos afetivos /  
motivacionais →  
formação reticular,  
substância cinzenta  
periaqueductal e  
amígdala **“O quanto  
dói?”**

Mecanismos  
cognitivos /  
interpretativos →  
Matrix da dor (cíngulo  
anterior, ínsula e pré-  
frontal) **“E agora, o  
que eu faço com a  
dor?”**

# Avanços nas metodologias: neuroimagem e traçadores

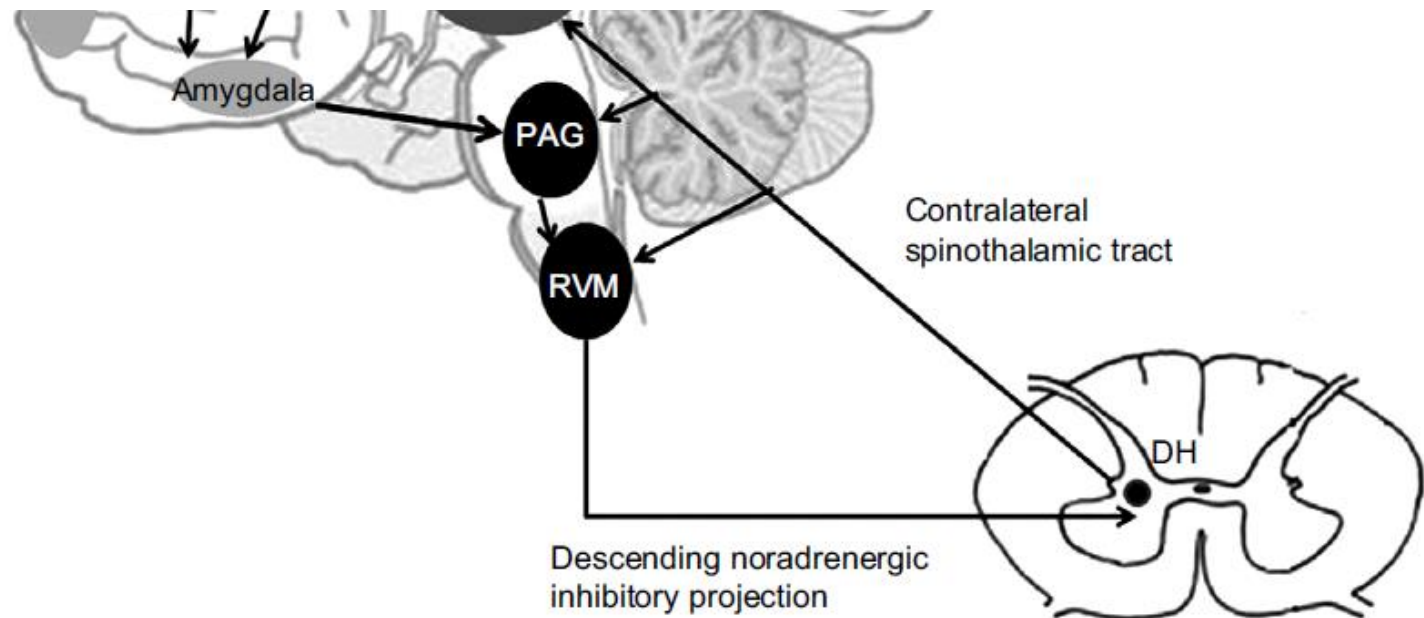




# Neuroimagem em dor

# Brain imaging of pain: state of the art

the cortex.<sup>6</sup> Analysis of experimental pain neuroimaging shows six areas of the brain that consistently respond to acute pain and are believed to play an important role in the sensory-discriminative, cognitive, and affective aspects of pain processing. These are the thalamus, the insular cortex (IC), the primary and secondary somatosensory cortices (SI and SII), the anterior cingulate cortex (ACC), and the prefrontal cortex (PFC).<sup>7</sup> These areas differ depending upon factors such as imaging modality, statistical

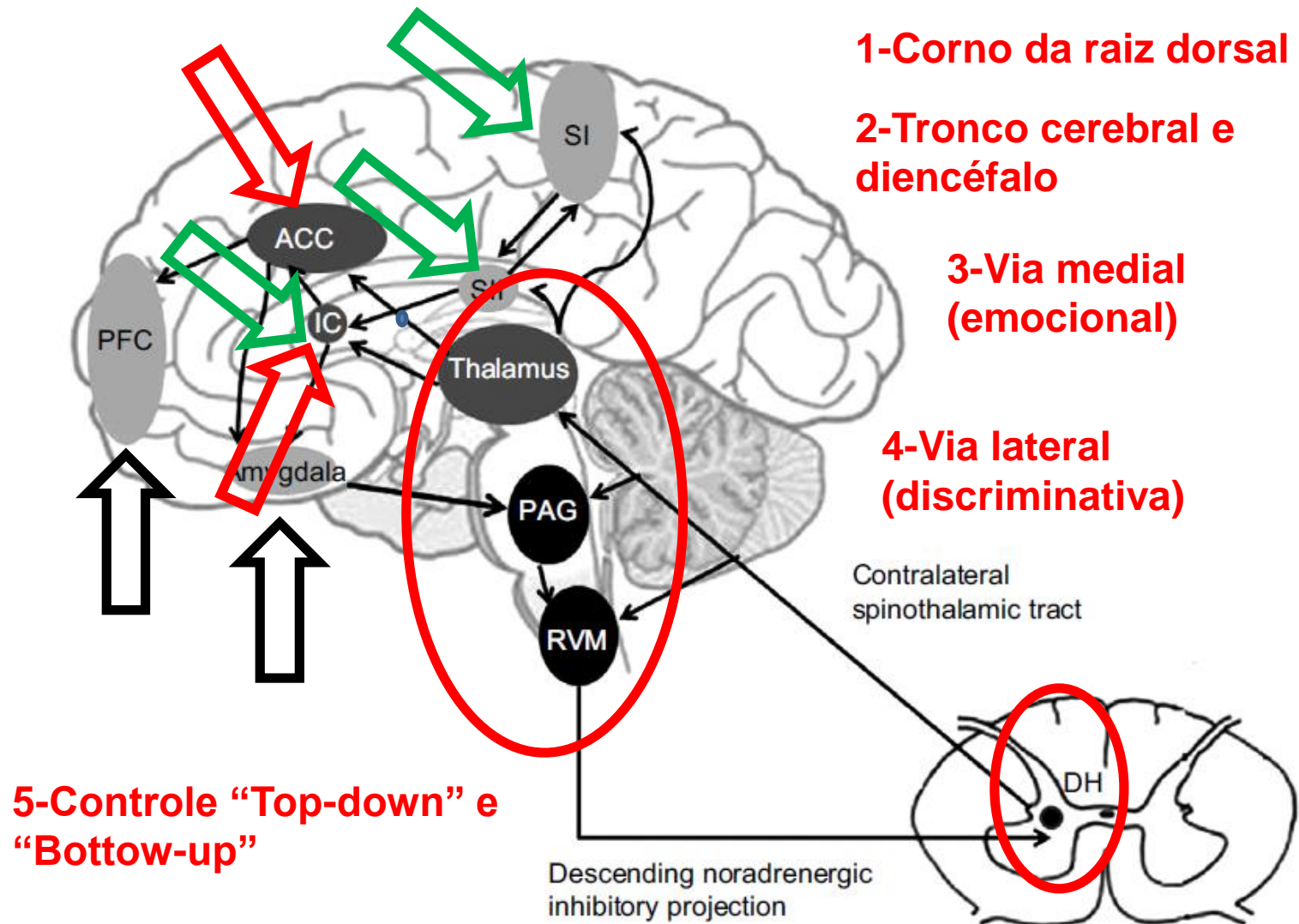


# Brain imaging of pain: state of the art

Functional imaging studies in healthy subjects have revealed a “pain matrix” of structures that can be divided into the medial and lateral pain pathways (Figure 1). The lateral pain pathway is thought to be responsible for the sensory aspects of pain such as location and duration and incorporates SI and SII, parietal operculum (BA7b), and posterior insula.<sup>13,45,46</sup>

The activity within the medial pain pathway is associated with the emotional aspects of pain, such as how unpleasant it is. This medial pain system includes the medial nucleus of the thalamus, the anterior insula, Broadmann area 24 of the ACC,<sup>45,47</sup> and the PFC (involved in the cognitive appraisal of a stimulus<sup>48</sup>).

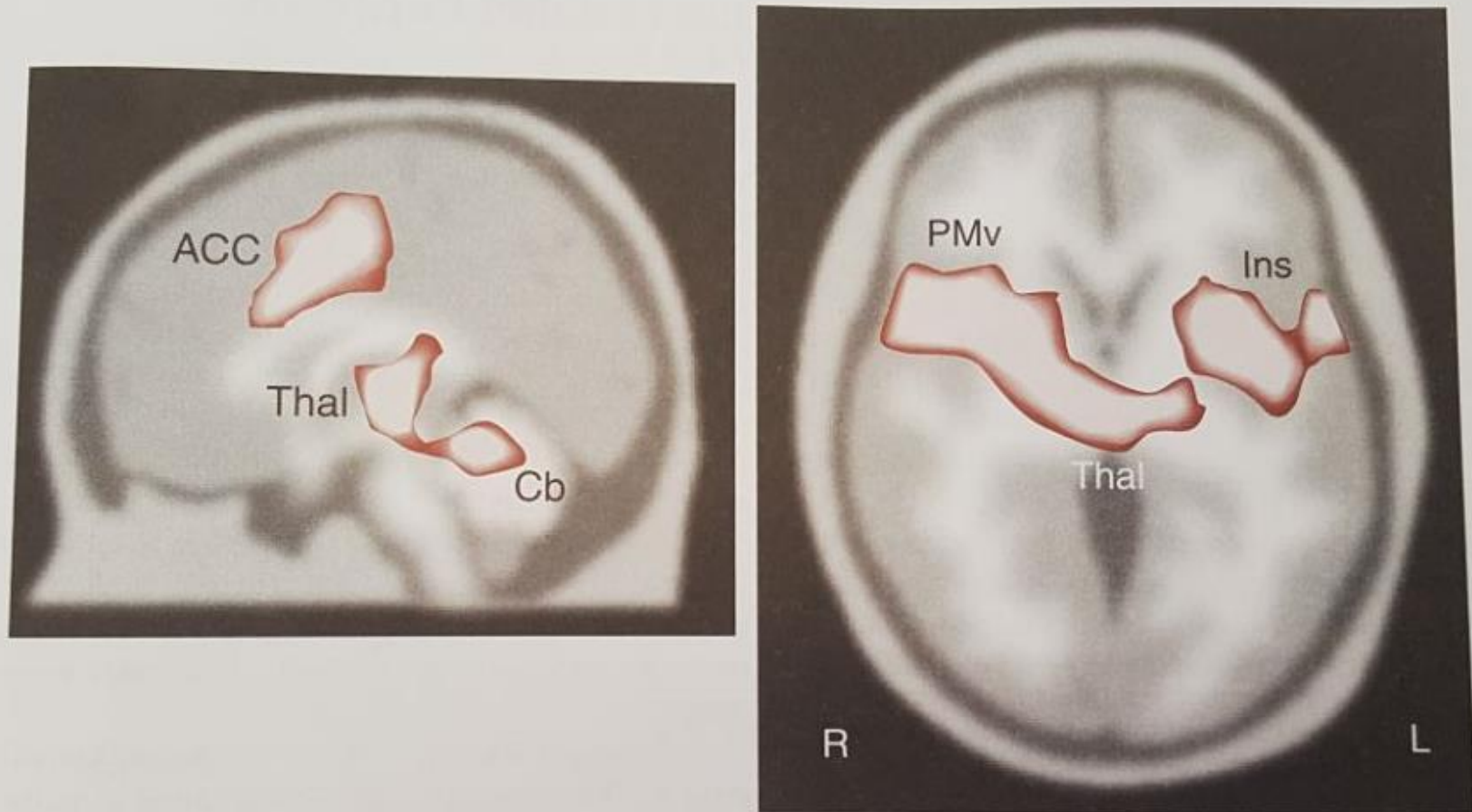
# Brain imaging of pain: state of the art



**Várias modalidades demonstrando o  
conjunto de regiões envolvidas no  
processamento da dor**

**A Matrix da Dor**

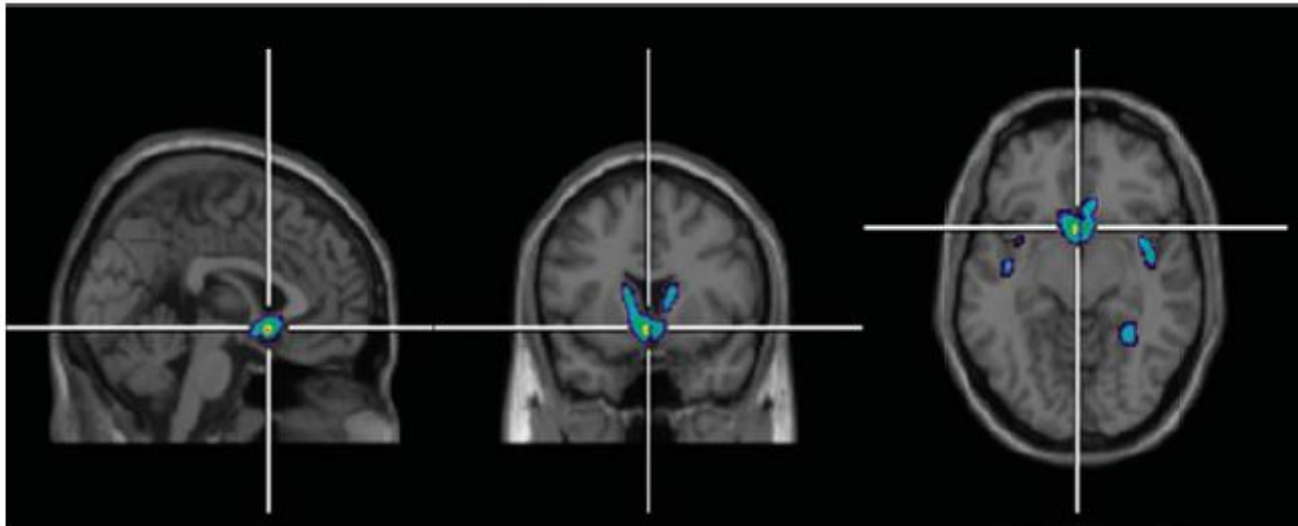
# PET-FDG – metabolismo glicolítico



**FIGURE 11.7** ● PET scans showing activity in the brain with acute pain. ACC, anterior cingulate cortex; Thal, thalamus; Cb, cerebellum; Ins, insula; PMv, ventral premotor cortex. (Adapted from Coghill RC, McHaffie JG, Yen YF. Neural correlates of interindividual differences in the subjective experience of pain. *Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A*. 2003;100(14):8538-8542.)



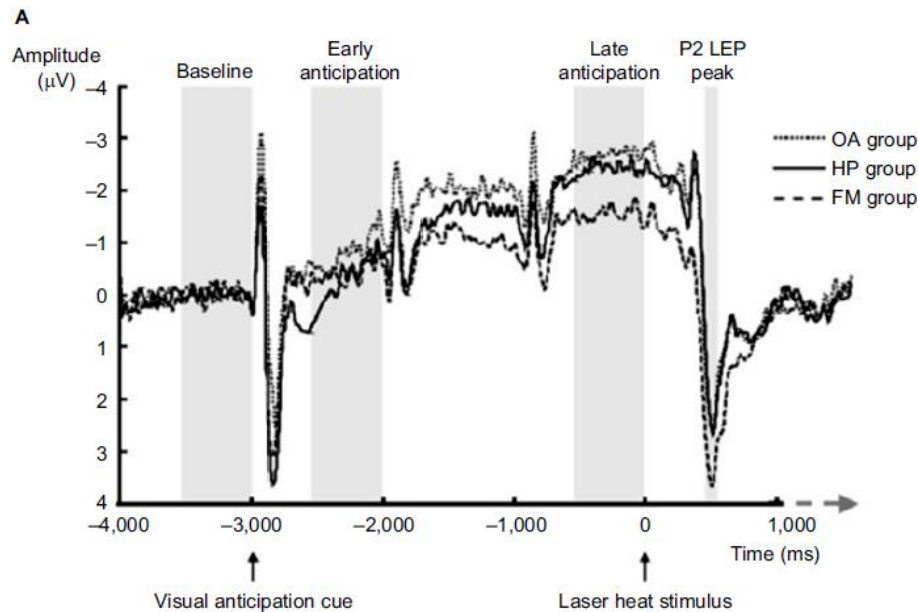
# PET-com traçadores (opioide)



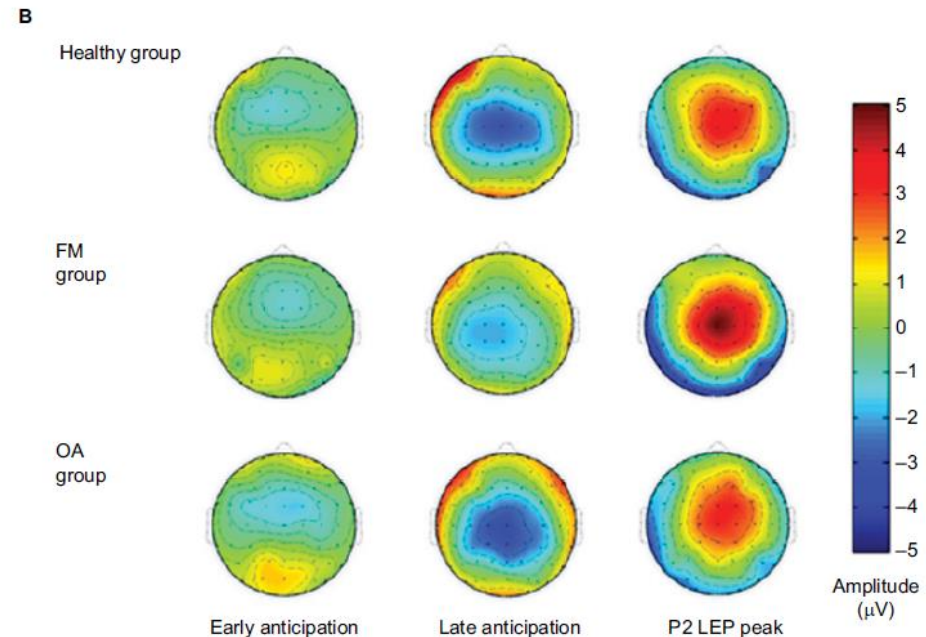
**Figure 2** An example figure produced by a neurochemical PET study.

**Notes:** This diagram was derived from PET imaging of radiotracer  $^{11}\text{C}$ -diprenorphine, used to illustrate opioid receptor availability, in patients with OA (n=15) and rheumatoid arthritis (n=2). Regression analysis was performed using the SPM8 software<sup>121</sup> to assess the positive relationship between opioid receptor availability and recent McGill pain scores (as a measure of chronic pain over the past week). This diagram illustrates the positive relationship between chronic pain in these patients and opioid receptor binding in the caudate nucleus, nucleus accumbens, and subcallosal area. The highlighted regions indicate regions of significance. Copyright ©2015 Wolters Kluwer. Reproduced with permission from Brown CA, Matthews J, Fairclough M, et al. Striatal opioid receptor availability is related to acute and chronic pain perception in arthritis: does opioid adaptation increase resilience to chronic pain? *Pain*. 2015;156(11):2267–2275. Promotional and commercial use of the material in print, digital or mobile device format is

# EEG/ERP – atividade elétrica



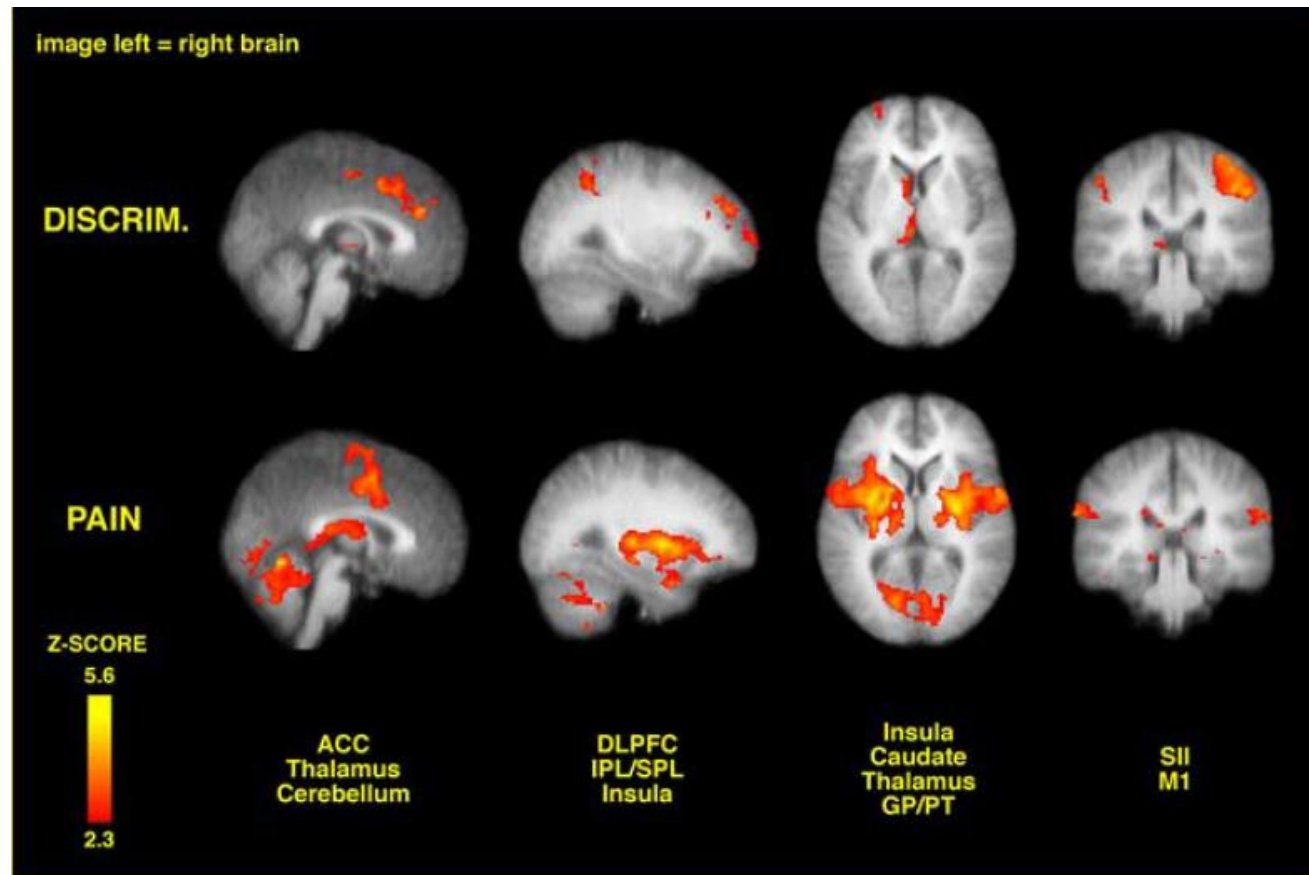
Maior resolução temporal (ms), menor resolução espacial





# fMRI – BOLD

## Brain Mechanisms Supporting Spatial Discrimination of Pain



**Figure 3.** Brain activation related to spatial discrimination of noxious stimuli is distinct from that related to perceived pain. These images are located at  $x = 0$  mm,  $x = 30$  mm,  $z = 5$  mm, and  $y = -30$  mm in standard stereotaxic space. IPL/SPL, Inferior parietal lobule/superior parietal lobule; GP/PT, globus pallidus/putamen; M1, primary motor cortex; DISCRIM., discrimination.

# Forward and reverse inference

*Forward  
inference*

Given an induced  
psychological state

$P(\text{Brain} \mid \text{Psy})$



We observe brain  
activity

*Reverse  
inference*

Can we infer  
psychological state?

$P(\text{Psy} \mid \text{Brain})$



Given brain  
activity

# Quando os avanços em neuroimagem vão ter repercussão clínica



# An fMRI-Based Neurologic Signature of Physical Pain

Tor D. Wager, Ph.D., Lauren Y. Atlas, Ph.D., Martin A. Lindquist, Ph.D.,  
Mathieu Roy, Ph.D., Choong-Wan Woo, M.A., and Ethan Kross, Ph.D.

É possível fazer uma inferência reversa em humanos??

"Dor é uma experiência sensitiva e emocional desagradável associada com danos reais ou potenciais em tecidos, ou assim percebida como dano.

***Fenômeno subjetivo????***

International Association for  
the Study of Pain

# O que acontece com a matrix da dor em sujeitos que não sentes dor?

## RESEARCH LETTER

---

### The “Pain Matrix” in Pain-Free Individuals

Human functional imaging provides a correlative picture of brain activity during pain. A particular set of central nervous system structures (eg, the anterior cingulate cortex, thalamus, and in-



Editorial

sula) consistently respond to transient nociceptive stimuli causing pain. Activation of this

so-called *pain matrix* or *pain signature* has been related to perceived pain intensity, both within and between individuals,<sup>1,2</sup>

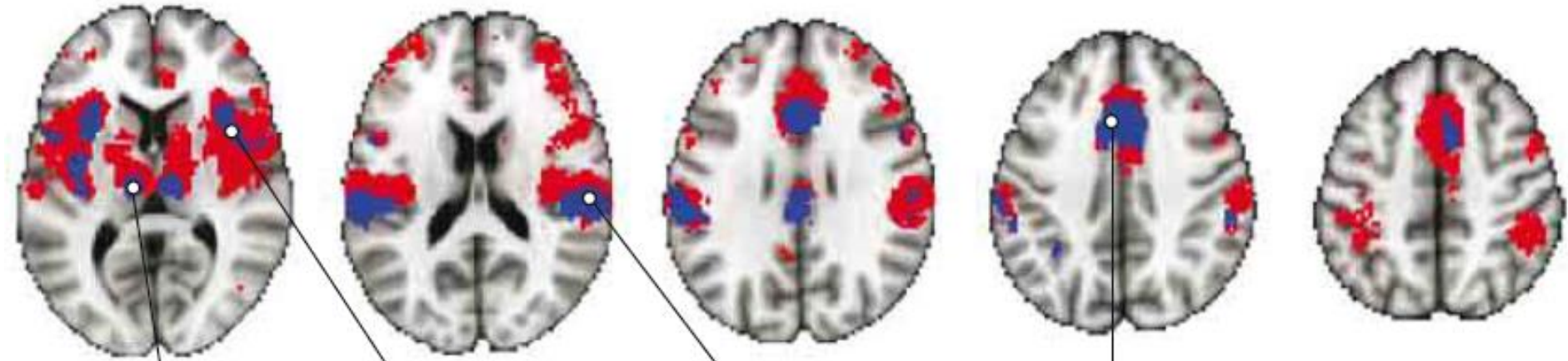
ity with fMRI. Loss-of-function SCN9A mutations in these individuals abolishes sensory neuron sodium channel Nav1.7 activity, resulting in pain insensitivity through an impaired peripheral drive that leaves tactile percepts fully intact.<sup>5</sup> This allows complete experimental disambiguation of sensory responses and painful sensations.

Salomons et al., JAMA neurol 2016

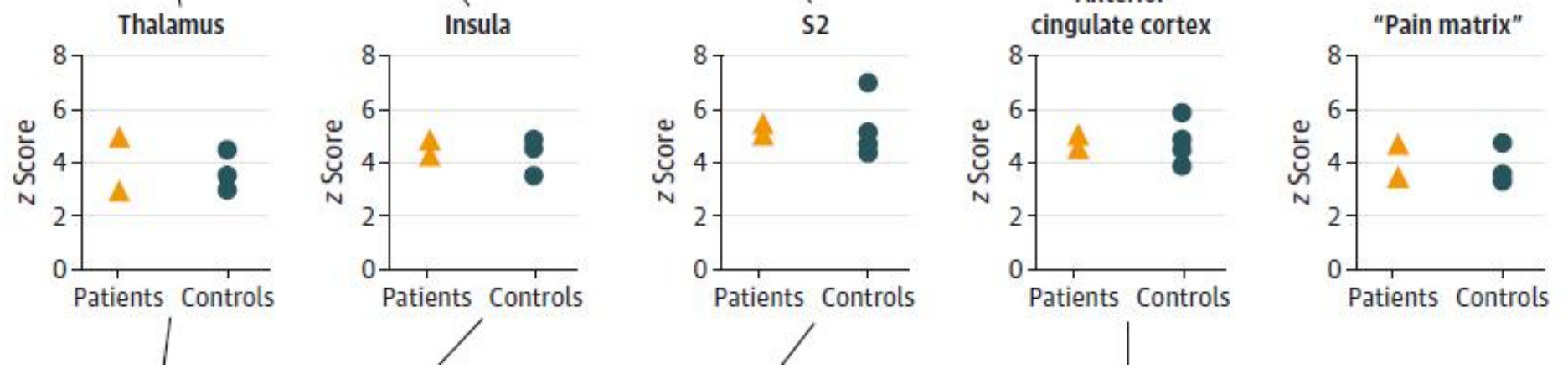


# Neurosyth Controles Insensíveis à dor

**A** Controls and neurosyth



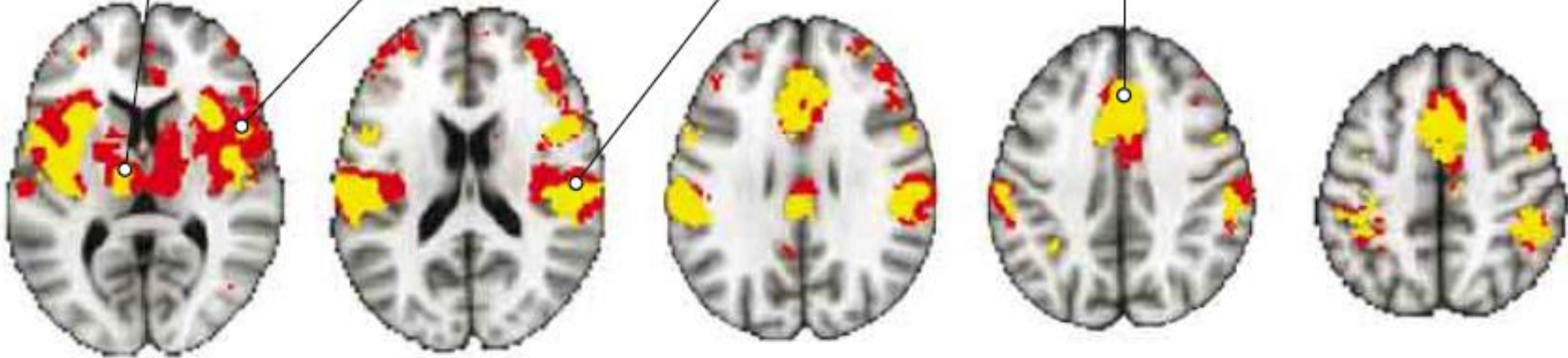
**B** Cluster mean activation



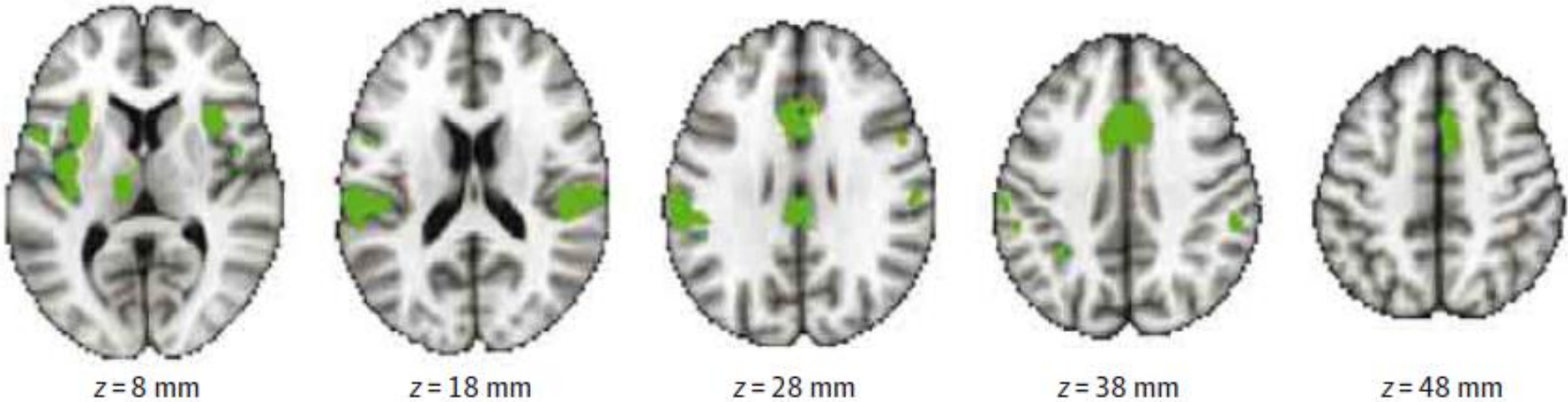
N = 6 (4 controles e 2 insensíveis à dor) Salomons et al., JAMA neurol 2016

# Neurosynth Insensíveis à dor Ativação comum

C Pain-free patients and neurosynth



D Patients and controls conjunction



N = 6 (4 controles e 2 insensíveis à dor) Salomons et al., JAMA neurol 2016



**Discussion** | Previous work<sup>3</sup> interpreting pain matrix activation as a response to salient sensory stimuli rather than perceptual qualities unique to pain has been challenged on the basis that the presence of pain in response to these stimuli could not be fully ruled out.<sup>4</sup> In this study, we addressed this challenge by demonstrating intact pain matrix responses in individuals congenitally unable to experience pain.

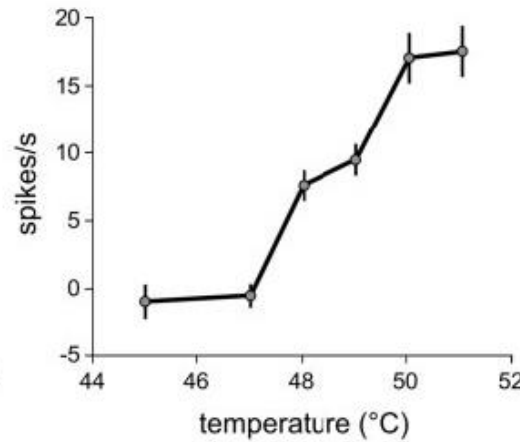
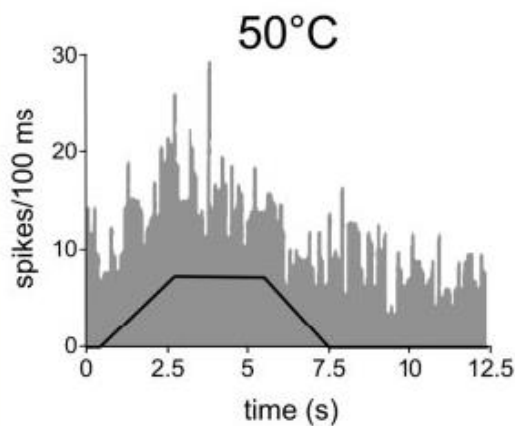
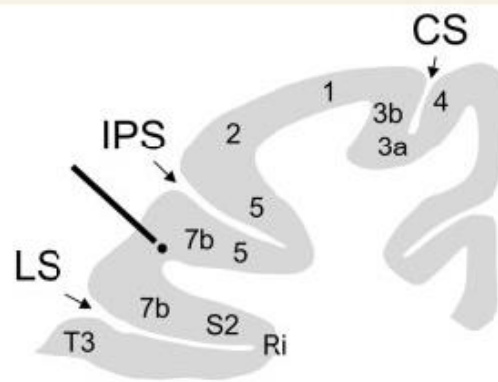
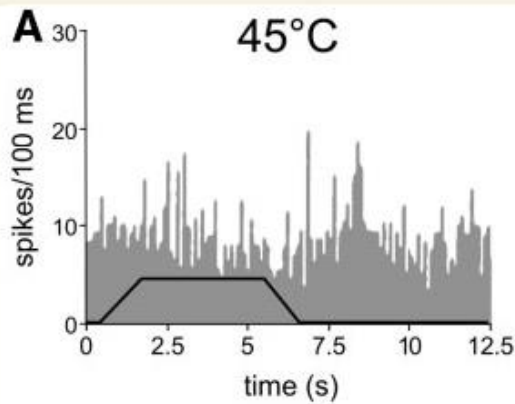
These observations reinforce the need for caution in using pain matrix responses for diagnosis or drug discovery and corroborate evidence that reported correlations between neuroimaging data and perceived pain have largely relied on non-

pain-specific activities.<sup>3</sup> Examining how the brain gives rise to the unique perceptual experience of pain will require human neuroimaging to be supplemented by techniques that allow for causal inferences. These include studies in nonhuman species where cell populations and circuitry can be genetically or chemically modified<sup>5</sup> and human studies of individuals with relevant lesions or genetic mutations.

# The search for pain biomarkers in the human brain

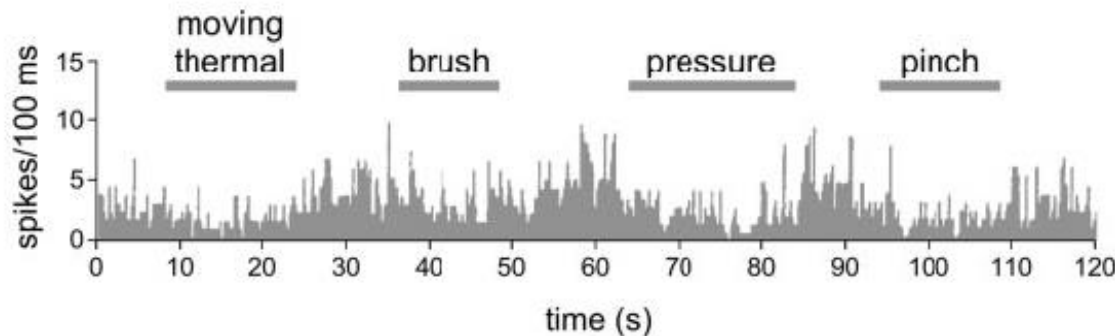
**Neurônios seletivos e específicos para processamento da dor? Matrix de dor é uma matrix seletiva ou específica para dor?**

Sistema ativado em estímulos não dolorosos salientes, desagradáveis e relevantes para o contexto atual.

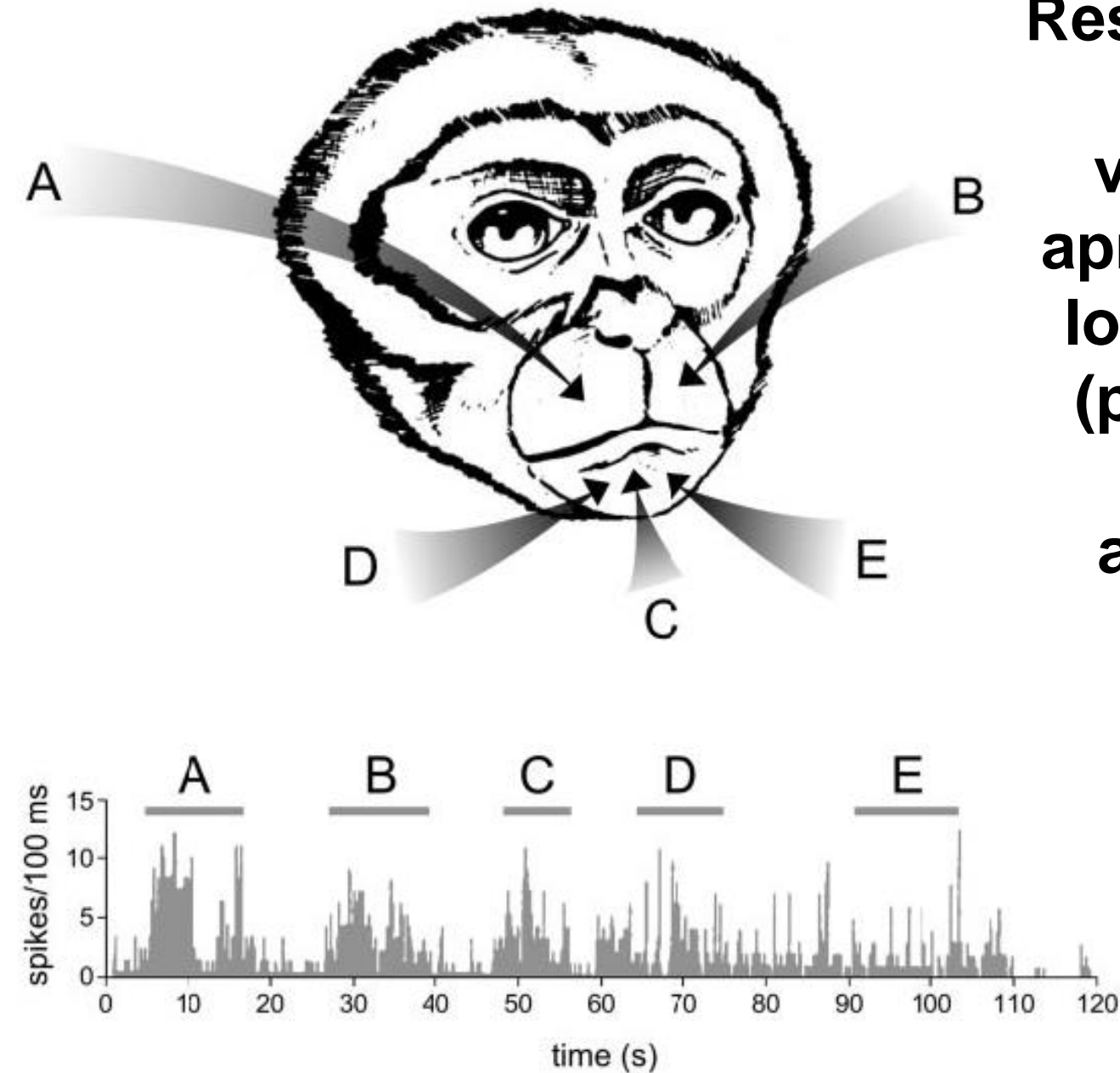


**Neurônios que respondem a dor e respondem a estímulos táteis não-dolorosos**

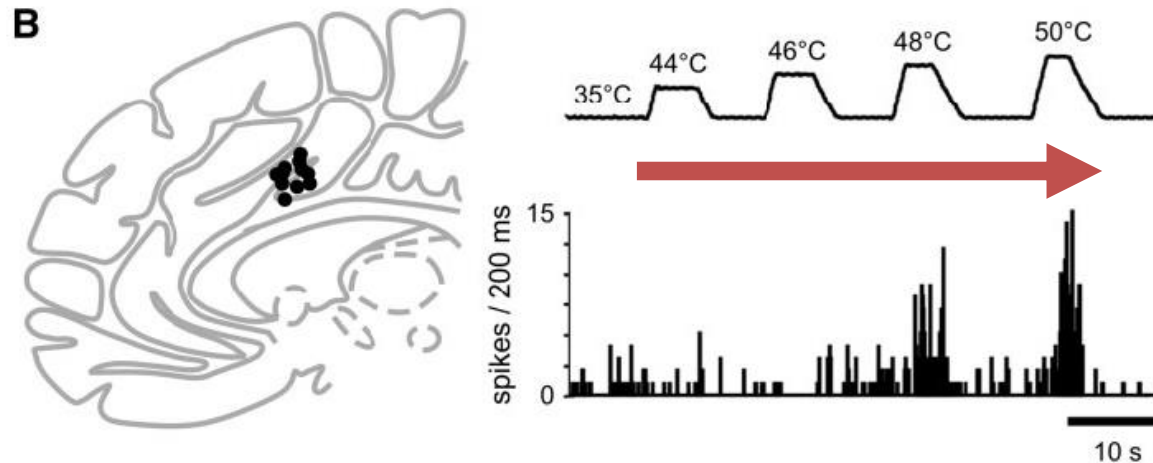
CS = central sulcus; IPS = intraparietal sulcus; LS = lateral sulcus



**Resposta neuronal  
a estímulos  
visuais que se  
aproximavam dos  
locais indicados  
(principalmente  
novos ou  
ameaçadores)**

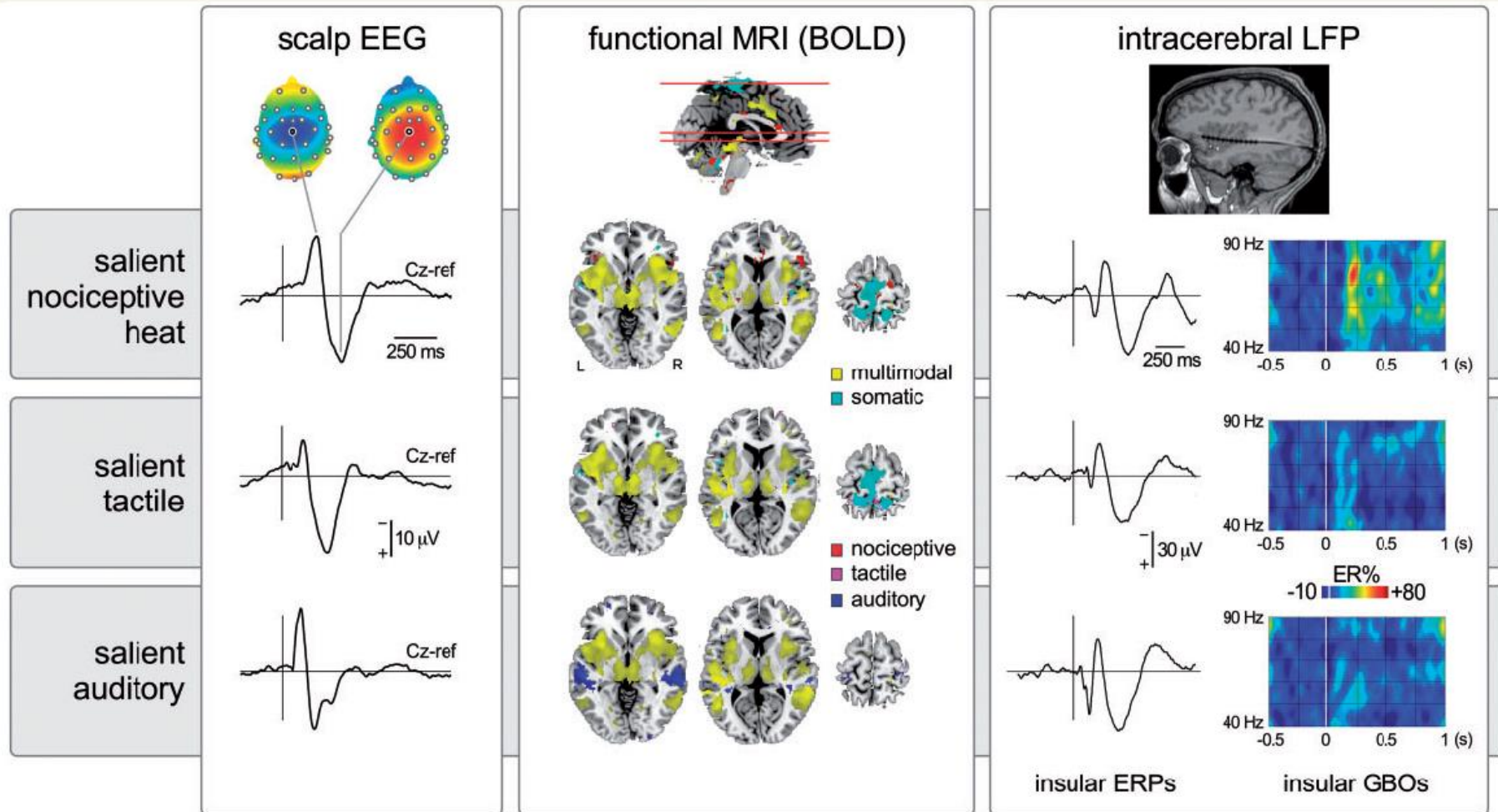


# Resposta neuronal do cíngulo anterior a estímulos dolorosos e ao observar o examinador receber estímulos dolorosos





# A resposta neuronal induzida pela dor não é específica ou seletiva para a dor. Componentes da “rede de saliência”.



# **Neurocognitive aspects of pain perception**

**Relação íntima entre emoção e dor**  
**Processamento compartilhado**  
**(matriz da dor não é específica –**  
**ausência do “córtex da dor”)**

# Morte vodu: a importância da interação corpo e cérebro.

## KEYNOTE ADDRESS

**MARTIN A. SAMUELS, MD, DSc (hon), FAAN, MACP\***

Neurologist-in-Chief and Chairman  
Department of Neurology  
Brigham and Women's Hospital  
Professor of Neurology  
Harvard Medical School  
Boston, MA

## 'Voodoo' death revisited: The modern lessons of neurocardiology†

In 1942, Walter Bradford Cannon published a remarkable paper entitled "Voodoo" Death,<sup>1</sup> in which he recounted anecdotal experiences, largely from the anthropology literature, of death from fright. These events, drawn from widely disparate parts of the world, had several features in common. They were all induced by an absolute belief that an external force, such as a wizard or medicine man, could, at will, cause demise and that the victim himself had no power to alter this course. This perceived lack of control over a powerful external force is the *sine qua non* for all the cases recounted by Cannon, who postulated that death was caused "by a lasting and intense action of the sympathico-adrenal system." Cannon believed that this phenomenon was limited to soot, that they feel themselves bewildered strangers in a hostile world. Instead of knowledge, they have fertile and unrestricted imaginations which fill their environment with all manner of evil spirits capable of affecting their lives disastrously."

personal danger or threat of injury; (7) after danger is over; and (8) reunion, triumph, or happy ending. Common to all is that they involve events impossible for the victim to ignore and to which the response is overwhelming excitement, giving up, or both.

In 1957, Carl Richter reported on a series of experiments aimed at elucidating the mechanism of Cannon's "voodoo" death.<sup>1</sup> Richter studied the length of time domesticated rats could swim at various water temperatures and found that at a water temperature of 93° these rats could swim for 60 to 80 minutes. However, if the animal's whiskers were trimmed, it would invariably drown within a few minutes. When carrying out similar experiments with fierce, wild rats, Richter noted that a number of factors contributed to the tendency for sudden death, the most important of which were the restraint involved in holding the animals and confinement in the glass swimming jar with no chance of escape. Trimming the rats' whiskers,



Martin A. Samuels  
[cardiologyonline.com](http://cardiologyonline.com)

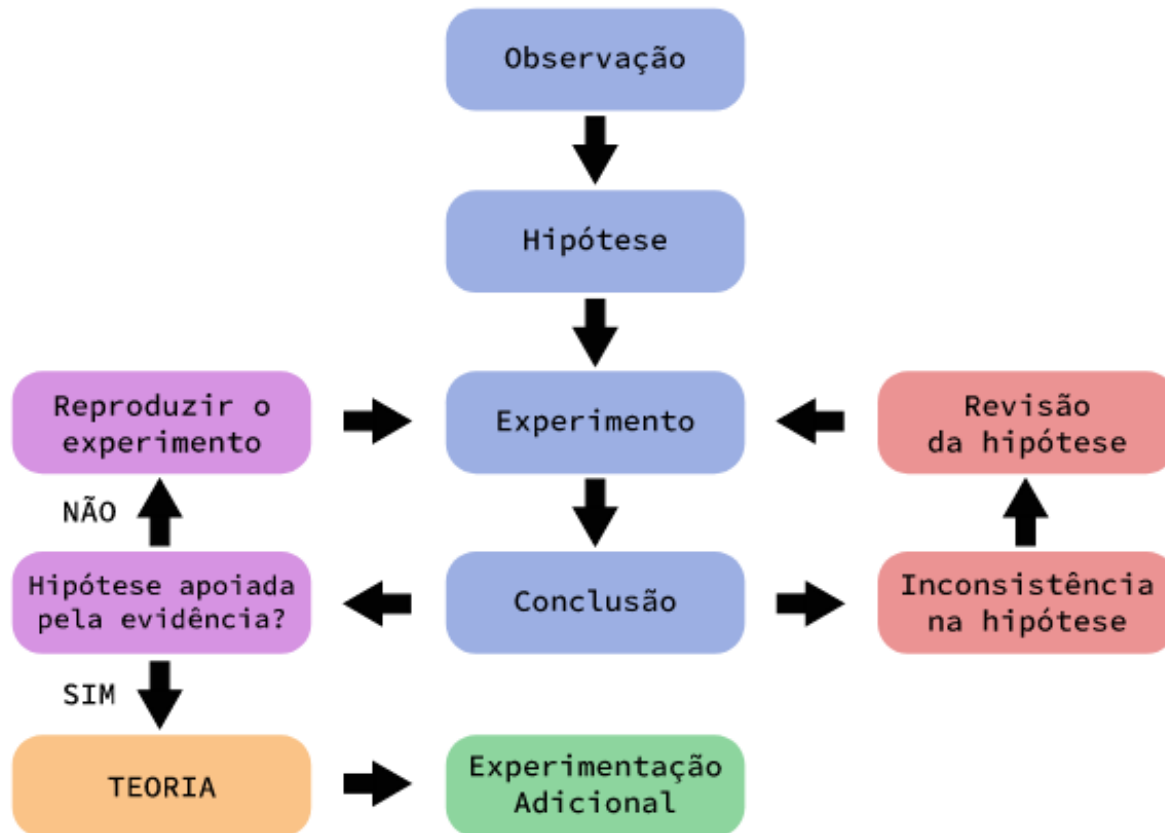


**Um modelo científico** é uma idealização simplificada de um sistema que possui maior complexidade, mas que ainda assim supostamente reproduz na sua essência o comportamento do sistema complexo que é o alvo de estudo e entendimento.

→ **representação abstrata, conceitual**, gráfica ou visual

→ **essencial de qualquer atividade científica.**

## Método científico



Fluxograma do método científico

## **Efeito placebo:** um modelo de estudo dos fenômenos mentais de cura.

**Placebo** é qualquer substância ou tratamento inerte (ou seja, que não apresenta interação com o organismo) empregado como se fosse ativo. **Efeito placebo** é quando essa substância ou procedimento produz um **efeito** fisiológico positivo, mesmo que não tenha capacidade para isso, melhorando os sintomas.

- ➔ Dor, regulação autonômica e do sistema imune
- ➔ Gerada pelo próprio cérebro

REVIEW ARTICLE

Allan H. Ropper, M.D., *Editor*

## Placebo and Nocebo Effects

Luana Colloca, M.D., Ph.D., and Arthur J. Barsky, M.D.

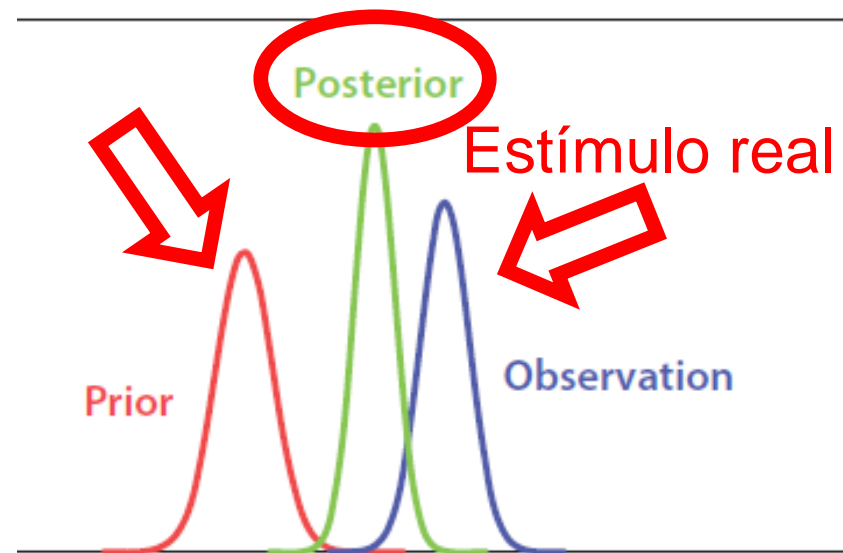
- Comum na prática clínica
- Fundamental considerar o efeito placebo no desenvolvimento de novas medicações
- Parte do arsenal terapêutico

# Importância na prática clínica e em pesquisa

- Expectativa e sugestão
- Mecanismos de aprendizado associativo
- “open-label placebo”
- Quantificar o lessebo nos estudos clínicos
- Predição de nocebo

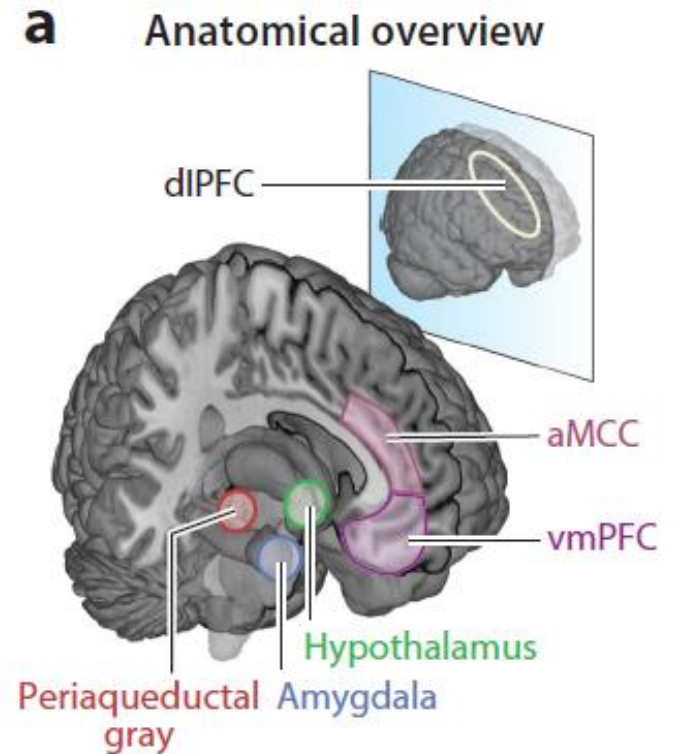
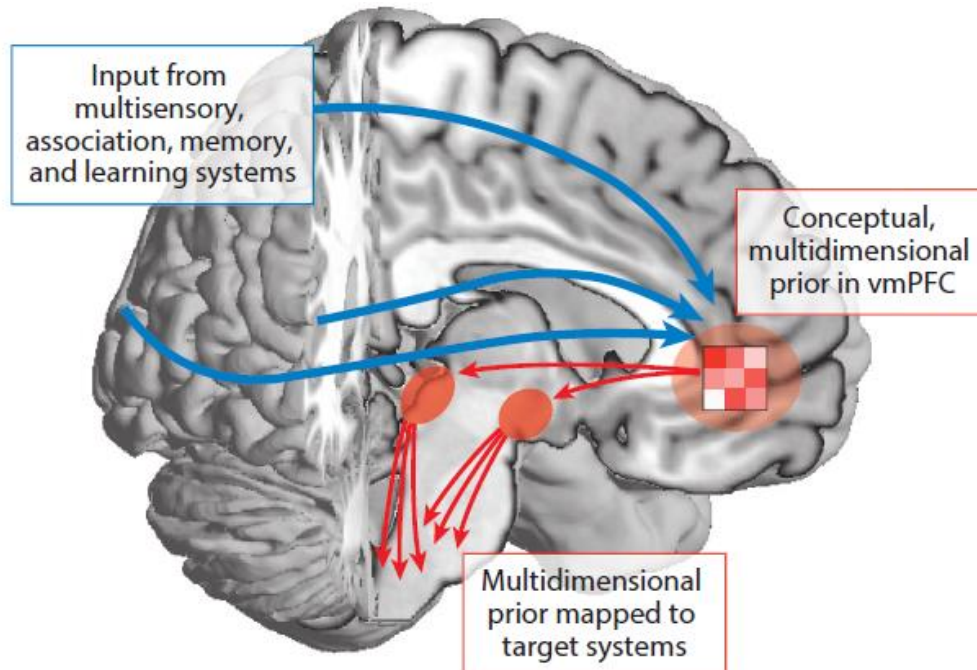
# The Cognitive Neuroscience of Placebo Effects: Concepts, Predictions, and Physiology

- Expectativa (predição)
- Aprendizado associativo
- Contexto pessoal e social  
(acreditar, ter fé)



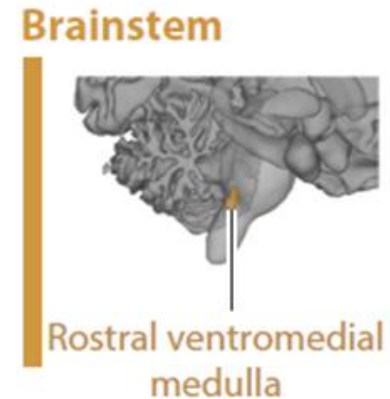
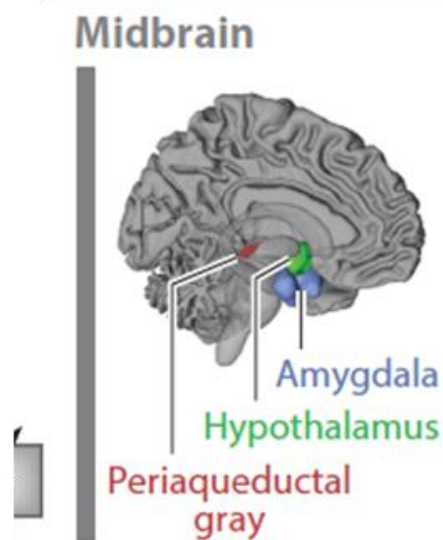
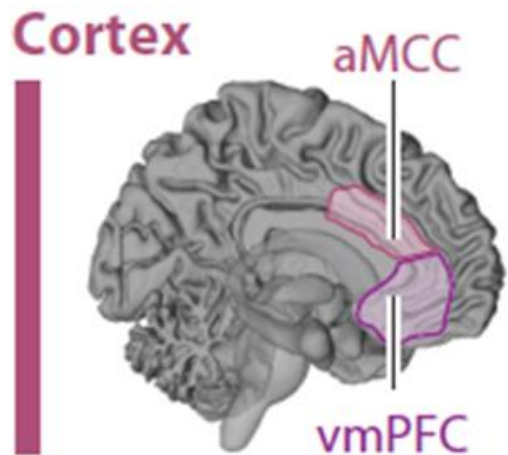


# Controle dos mecanismos automáticos

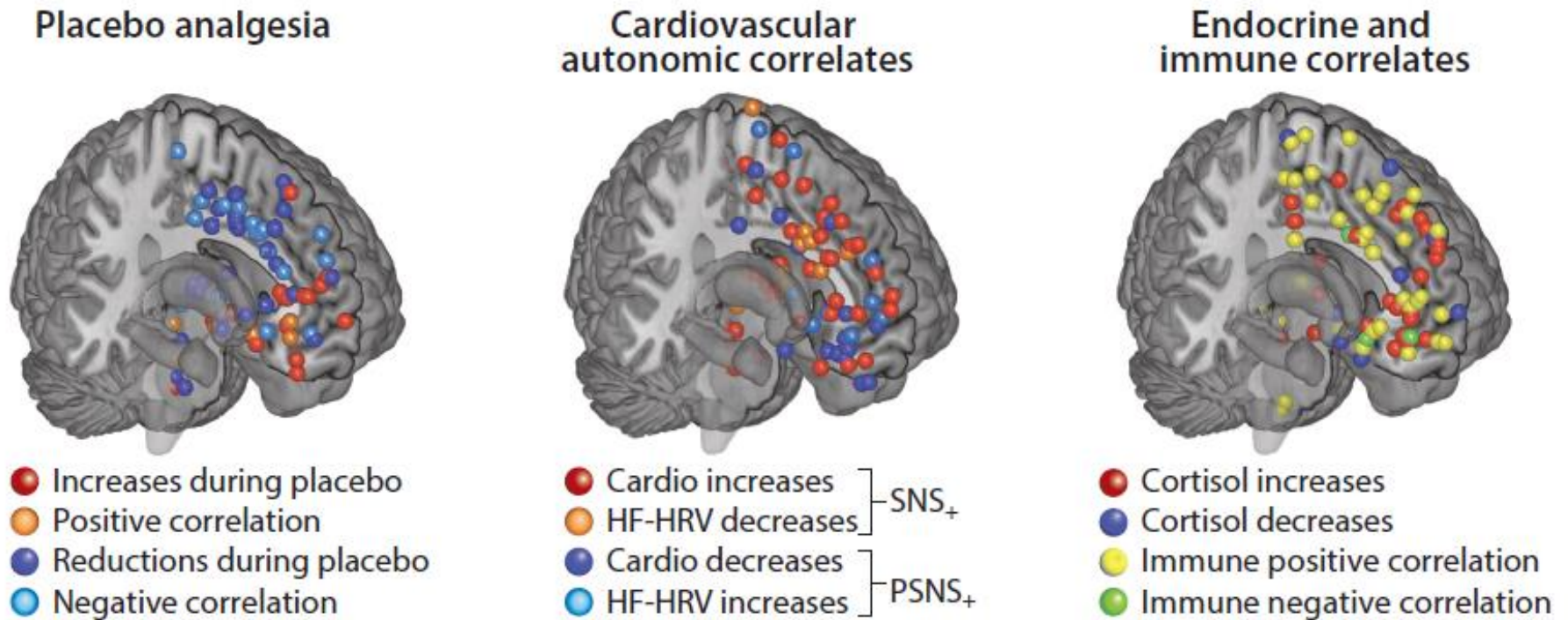


# Controle dos mecanismos automáticos

**Regiões de controle** **→** **Regiões controladas**



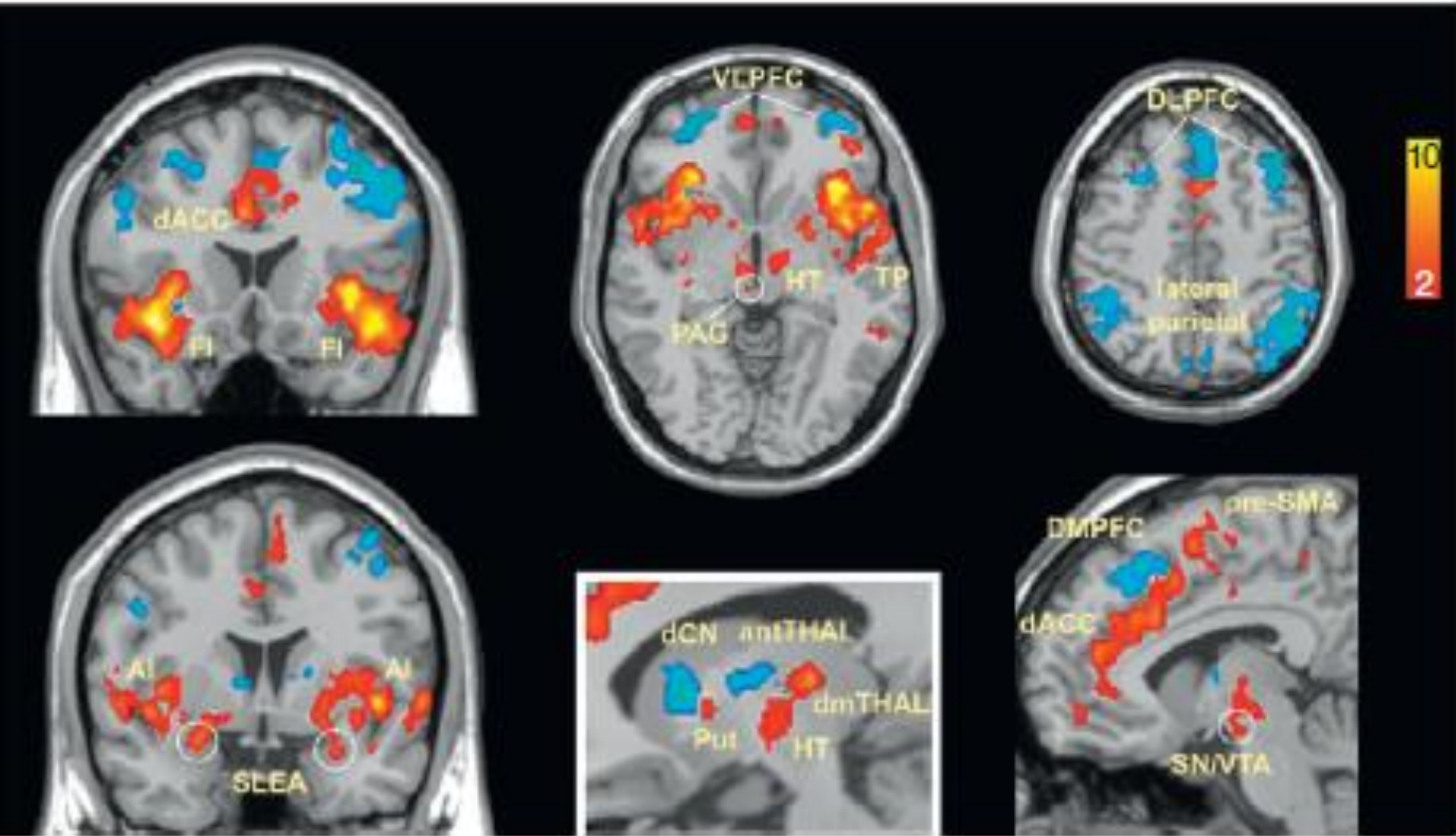
# O que acontece durante o placebo







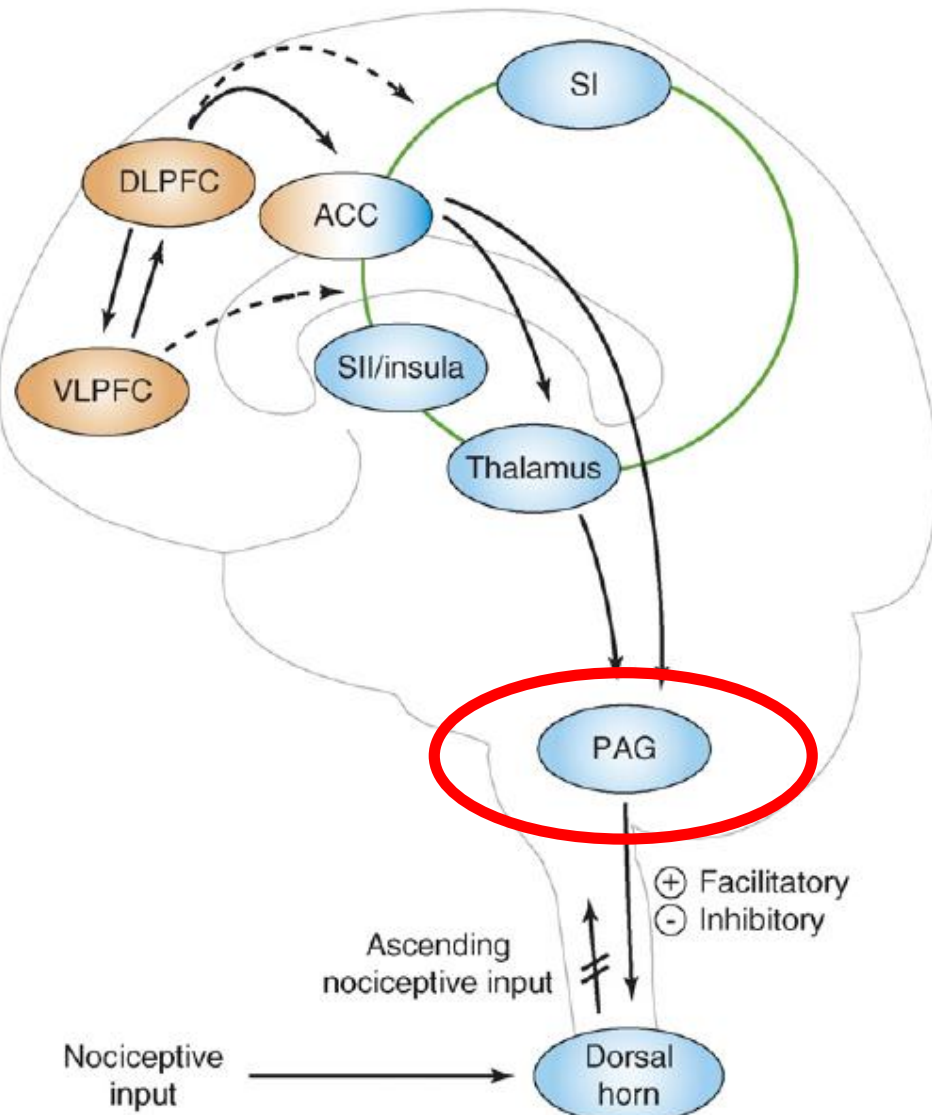
# Rede de Saliência



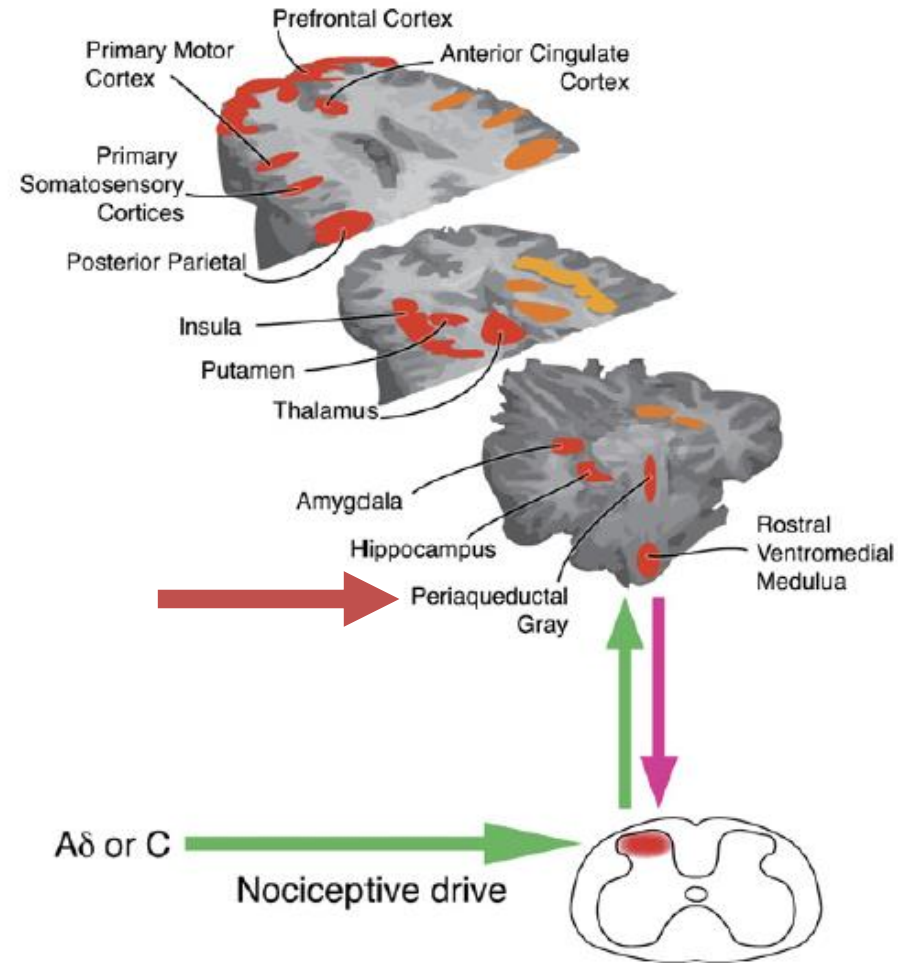
**Menon V. Salience Network. In: Arthur W. Toga, editor. Brain Mapping: An Encyclopedic Reference.**

# The Cerebral Signature for Pain Perception and Its Modulation

Neuron 55, August 2, 2007



TRENDS in Cognitive Sciences

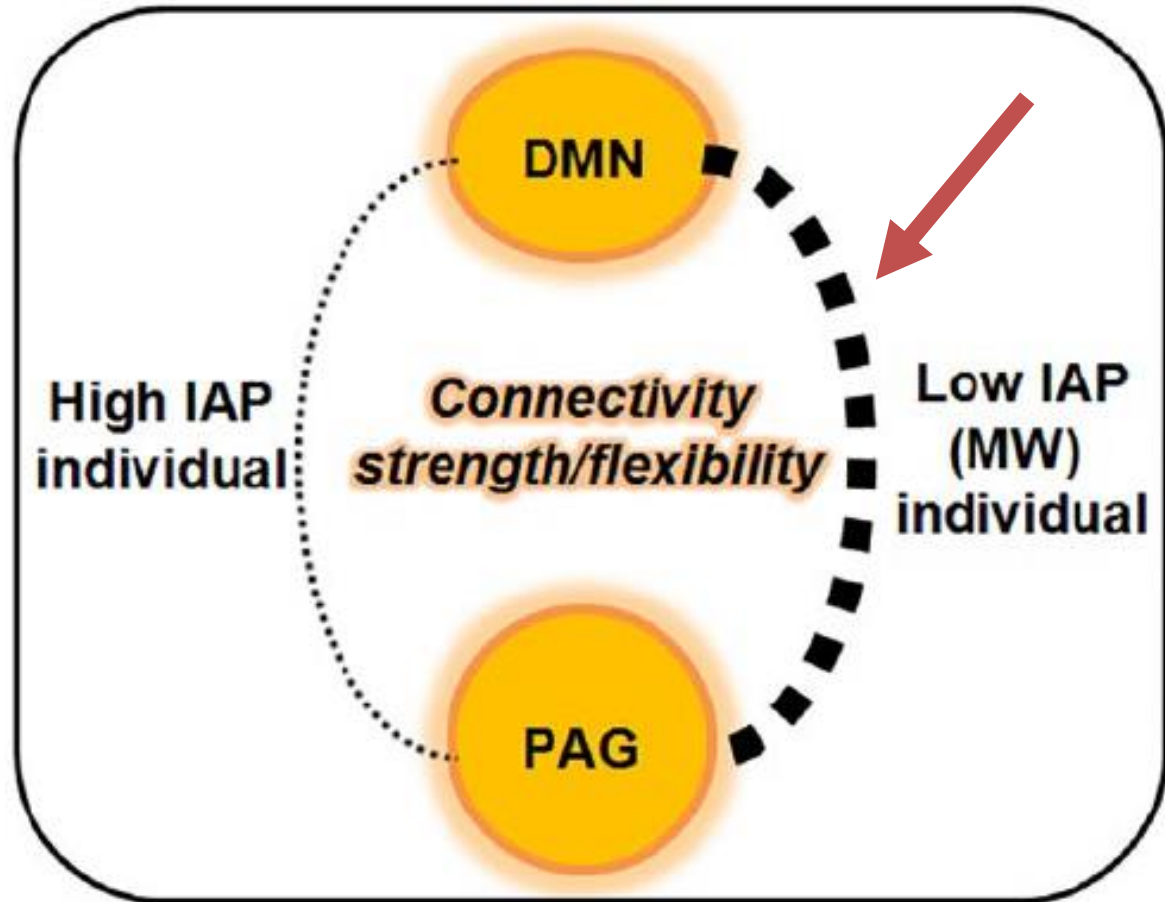


**Figure 2. Neuroanatomy of Pain Processing**

Main brain regions that activate during a painful experience, highlighted as bilaterally active but with increased activation on the contralateral hemisphere (orange).

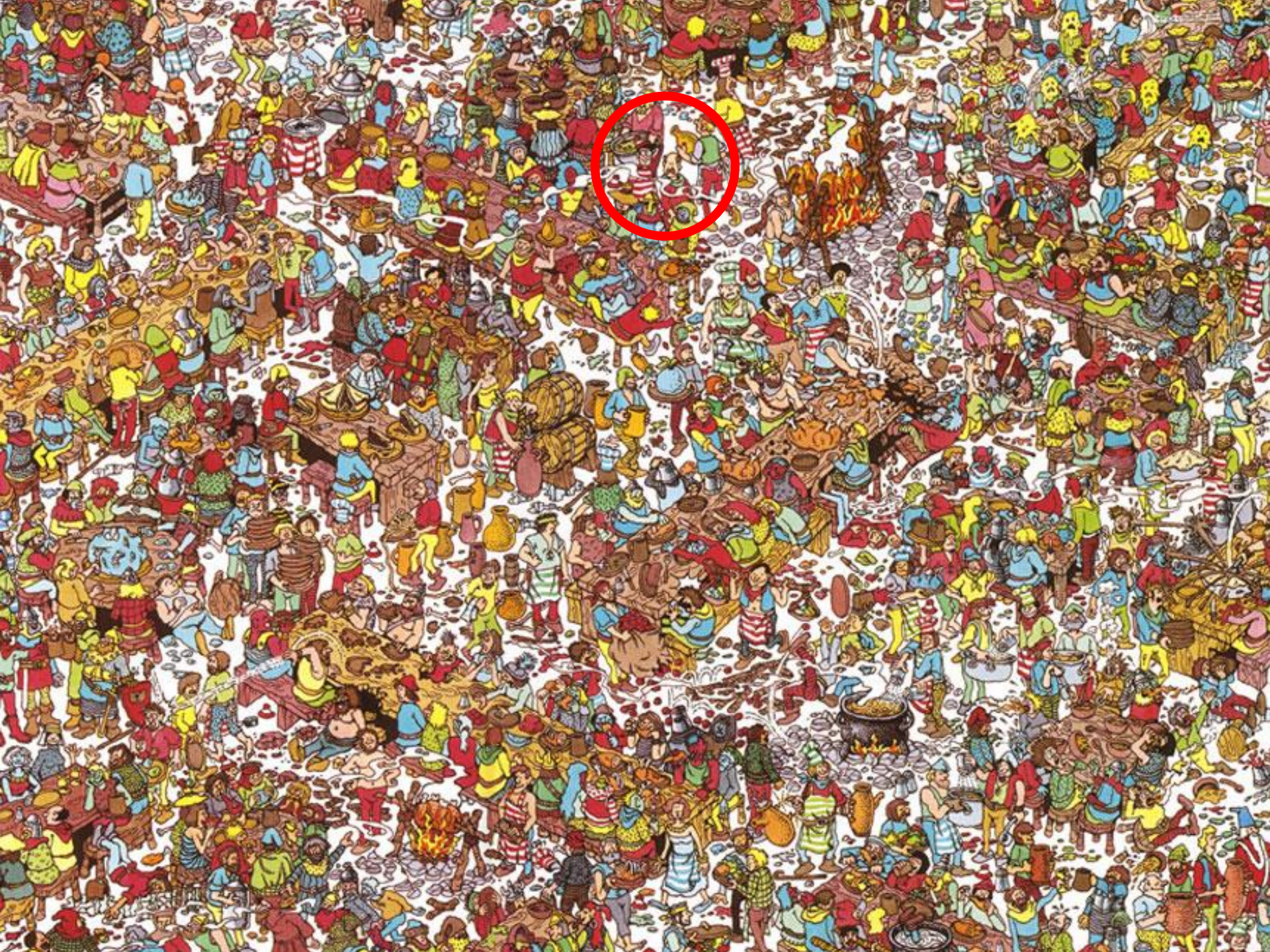


# The Neural Code for Pain: From Single-Cell Electrophysiology to the Dynamic Pain Connectome



**Intrinsic attention to pain (IAP)** (i.e., tendency to spontaneous focus on or away from pain) in structural and functional connectivity between DMN and periaqueductal gray (PAG).







# Muito obrigado

portofhg@gmail.com