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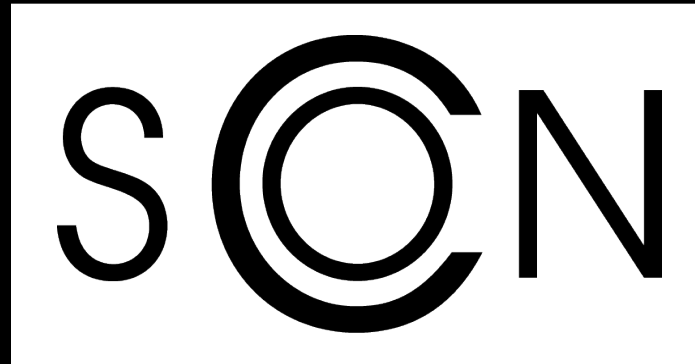
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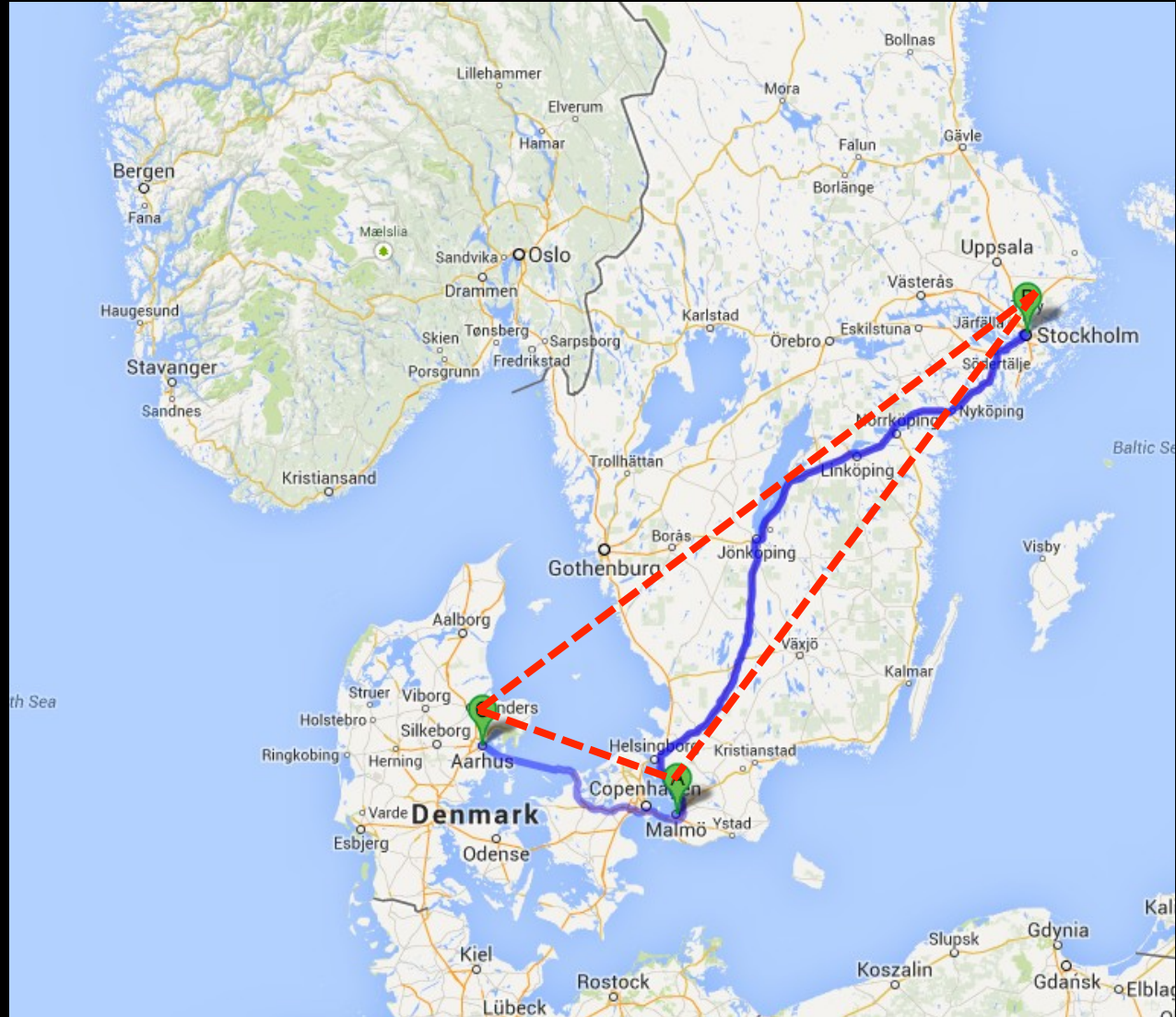


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- Eduardo Castrillon
- Karina Bendixen
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- + 4 visiting ph.d.-students

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Proposed SCON mission

- To bring together in a brickless center, leading Scandinavian groups in the field of orofacial neurosciences including oral physiology and orofacial pain, and to strengthen the research activities and impact on education and treatment in oral rehabilitation.

Research aim

- SCON aims to provide cutting-edge research results and to constitute an attractive alternative to other major international centers in the field by recruitment of the best young research talents and securing external funding.

Teaching aim

- SCON will provide a strong frame-work for research-based teaching of both under- and post-graduate scholars in the field.
- SCON will arrange and coordinate educational training of pre- and post-graduate students.

Clinical aims

- SCON will help promote a paradigm shift in dentistry by emphasizing the importance of not only structure and esthetics, but also the functional aspects of oral rehabilitation.
- Oral neuroscience principles will help guide the optimal rehabilitation of sensory, motor and emotional function for the benefit of the compromised patients.

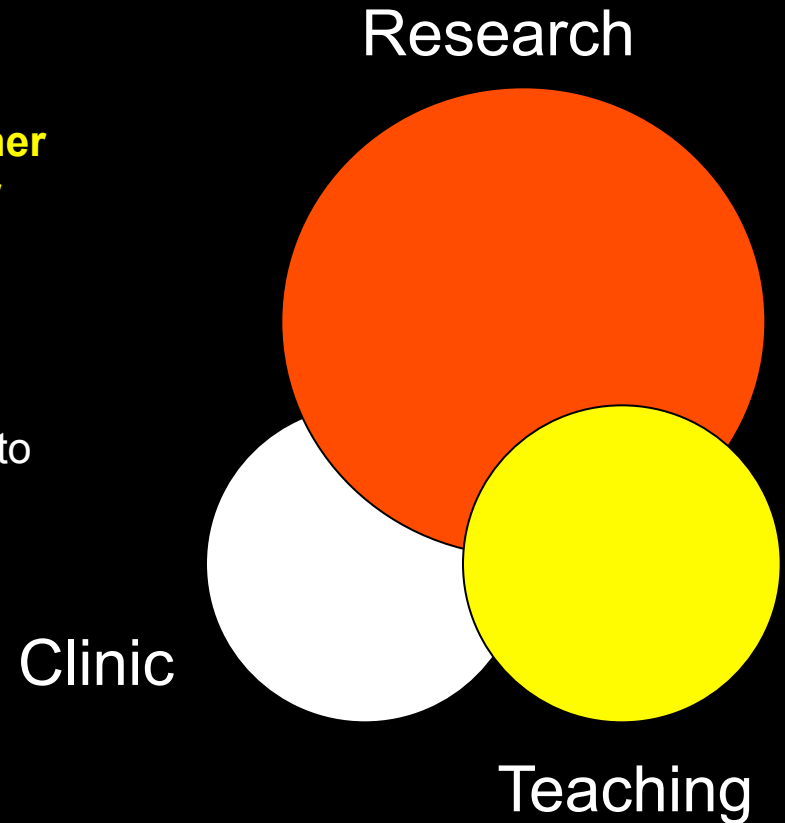
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- **Karina Bendixen, ½ a.professor, ½ clinical teacher**
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Research topics and themes at Clinical Oral Physiology

- Orofacial pain
 - Sensory function
 - Autonomic nervous system
- Brain function
 - Emotions and pain
- Jaw motor function
 - Mastication
 - Reflexes
 - Bruxism
 - Motor learning



Enjoyment of cooking !



Today's menu

- Enjoyment of food
- Masticatory function
- Taste physiology
 - Bad taste – pain ?
 - Good taste – enjoyment !

Semantics !

English is difficult

- Do women taste better than men ?
- Do women have better taste than men ?
- ✓ • Are women better tasters than men ?

Enjoyment of food



Esthetics

Taste

Smell

Temperature

Texture

Masticatory function

Oral rehabilitation



Masticator



Mastication

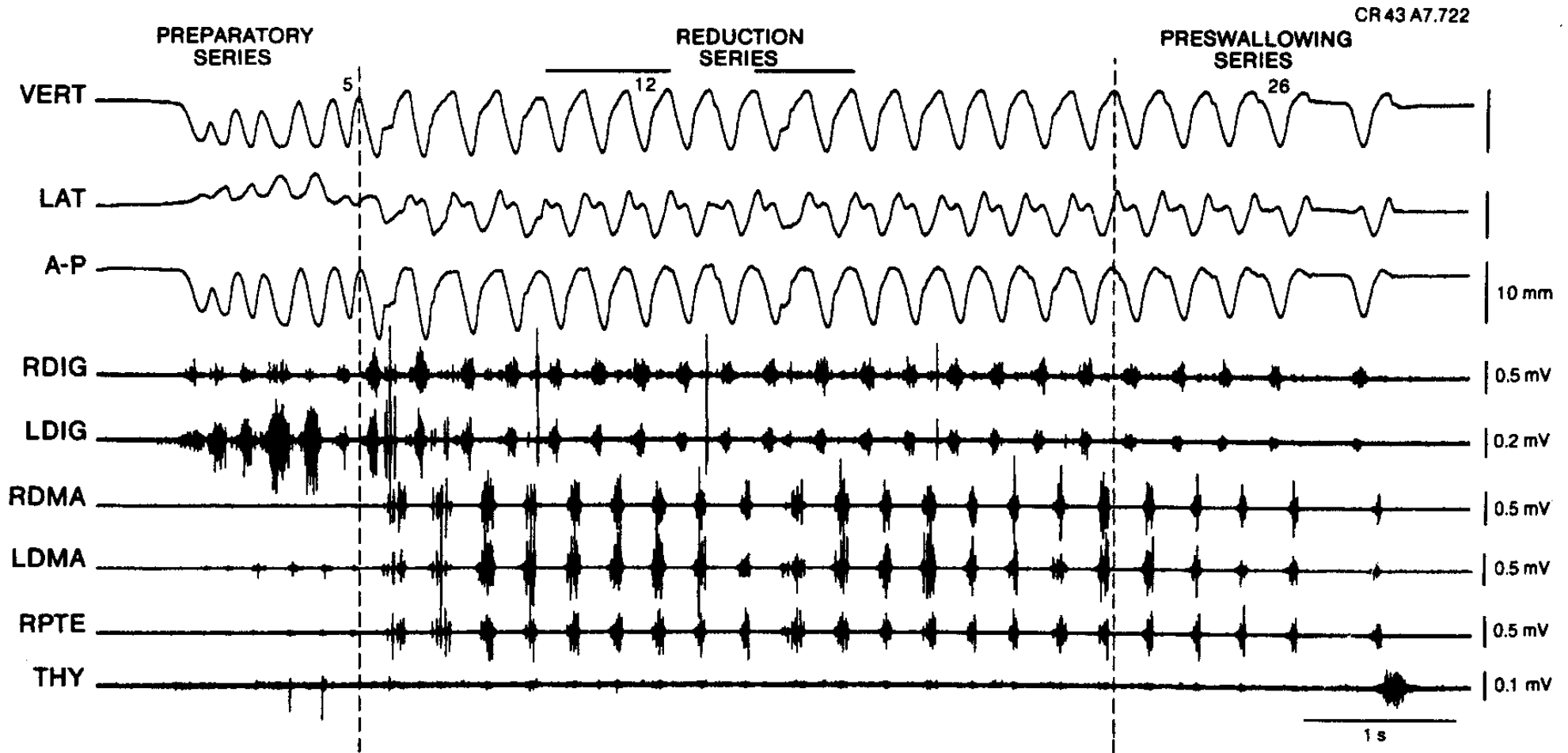
Rehabilitation of people with [oral] disabilities is a process aimed at enabling them to reach and maintain their optimal physical, sensory, intellectual, psychological and social functional levels (WHO)

Optimal mastication is important part of oral rehabilitation

Masticatory function

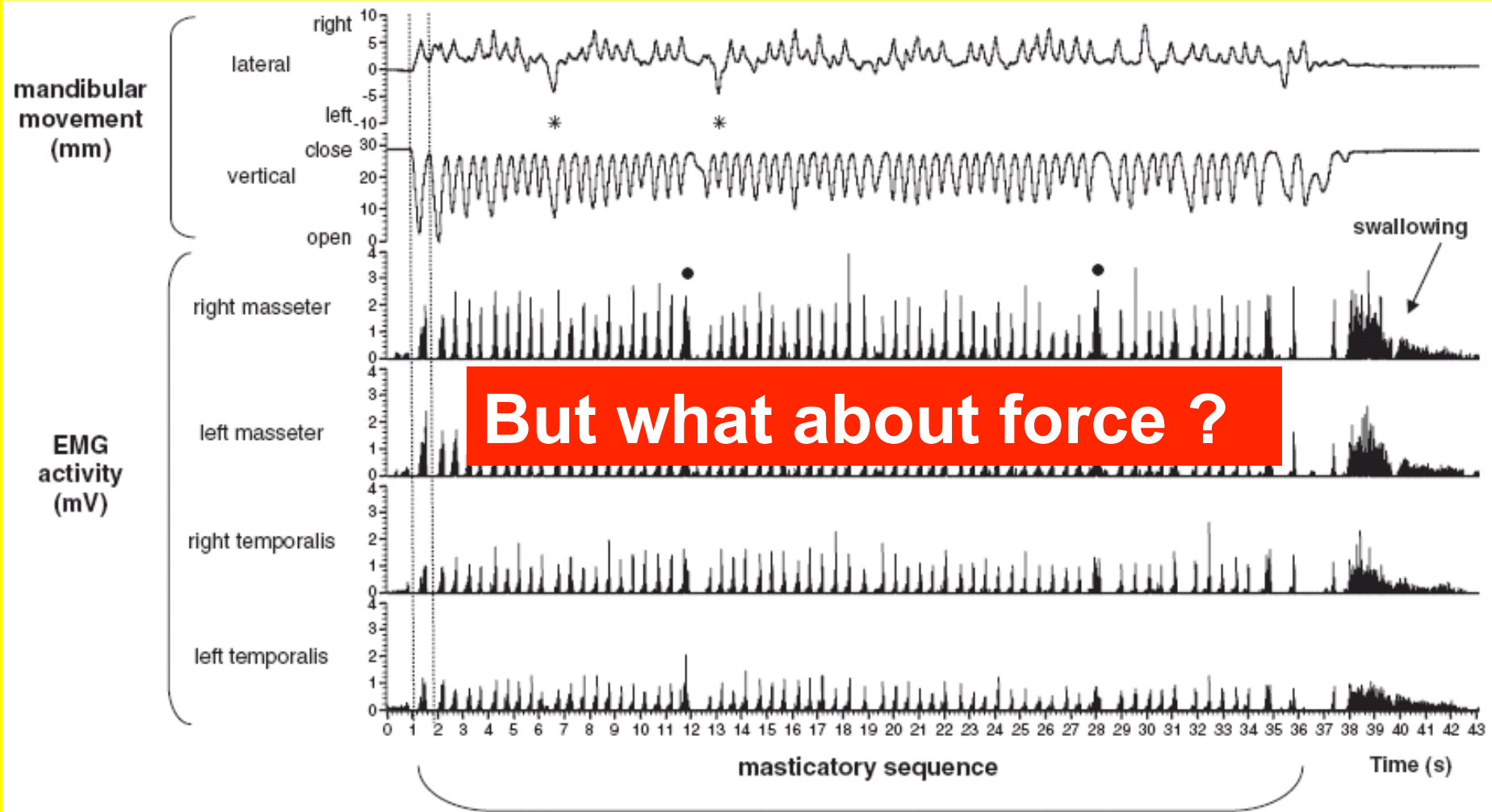
- First stage in digestion
- Intermittant rhythmic act in which the tongue, facial and jaw muscles act in coordination to position the food between the teeth, cut it up, and prepare it for swallowing
 - I. Preparation - transport – ingestion and positioning of food
 - II. Reduction - processing – time trituration
 - III. Pre-swallowing - oropharyngeal accumulation time
 - IV. Swallowing - hypopharyngeal transit time

Rabbit mastication



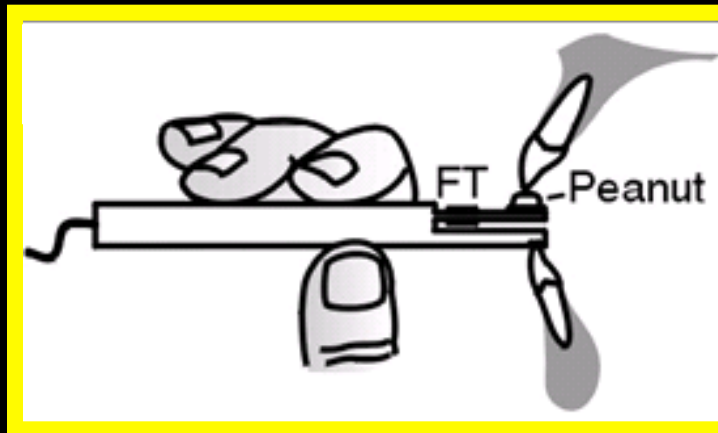
From Schwartz et al. 1989

Human mastication

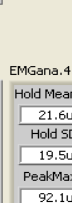
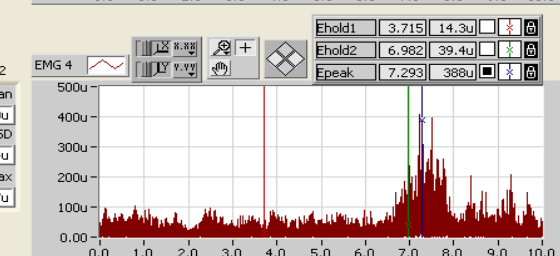
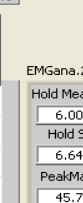
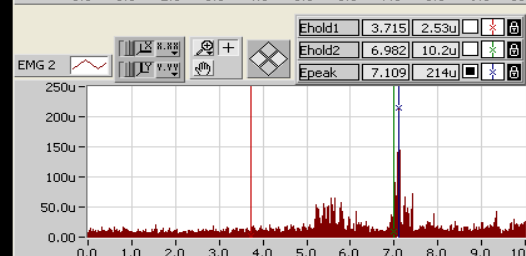
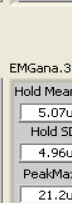
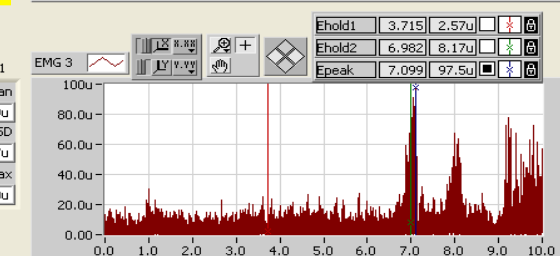
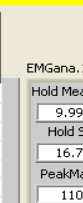
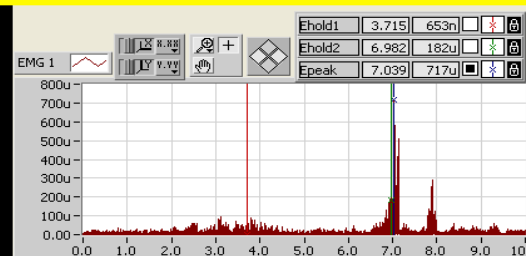
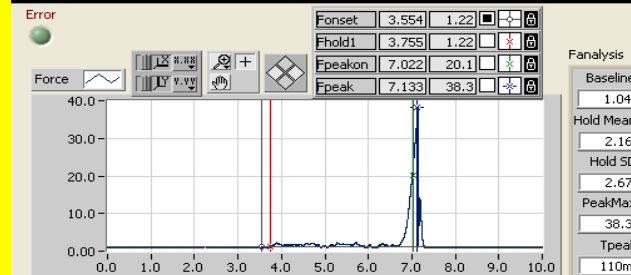


Assessment of isometric bite force

Incisor biting force – hold and split



Maximum Bite Force



Wang et al. JOR 1998
Trulsson and Gunne J Dent Res 1998
Kumar et al. Archs Oral Biol 2014

Assessment of dynamic bite force

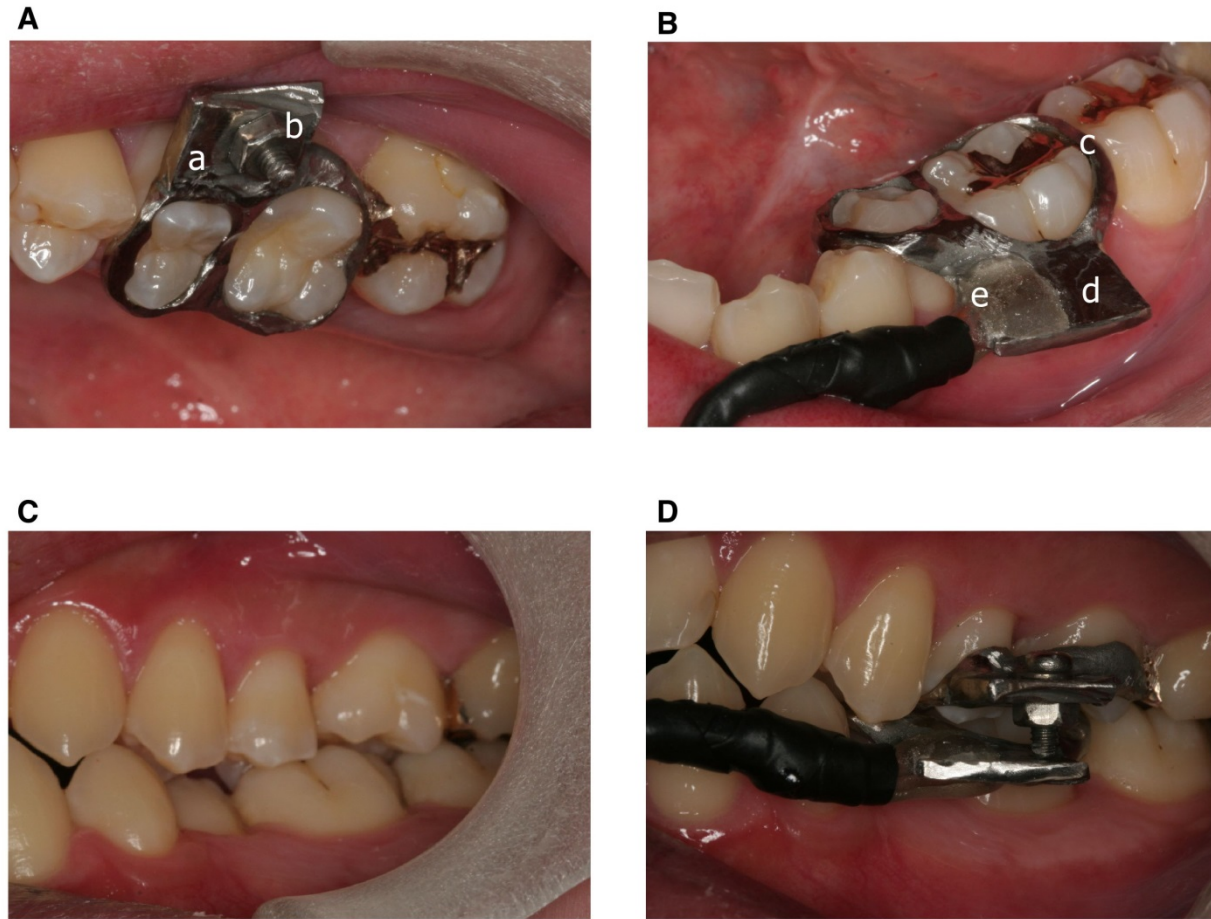


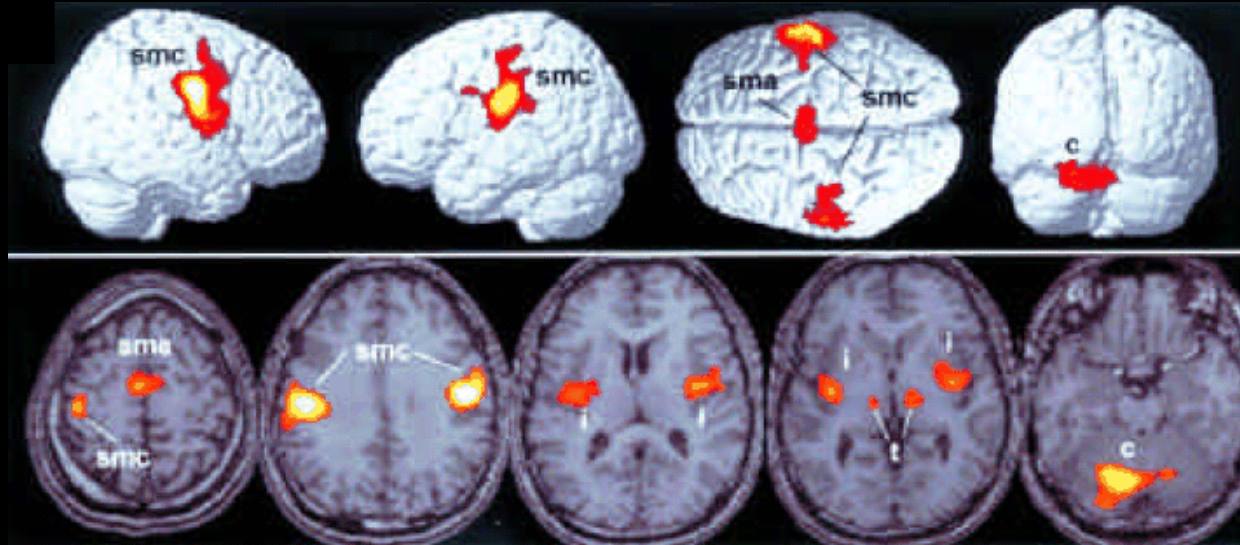
Fig. 1

Modulation of mastication

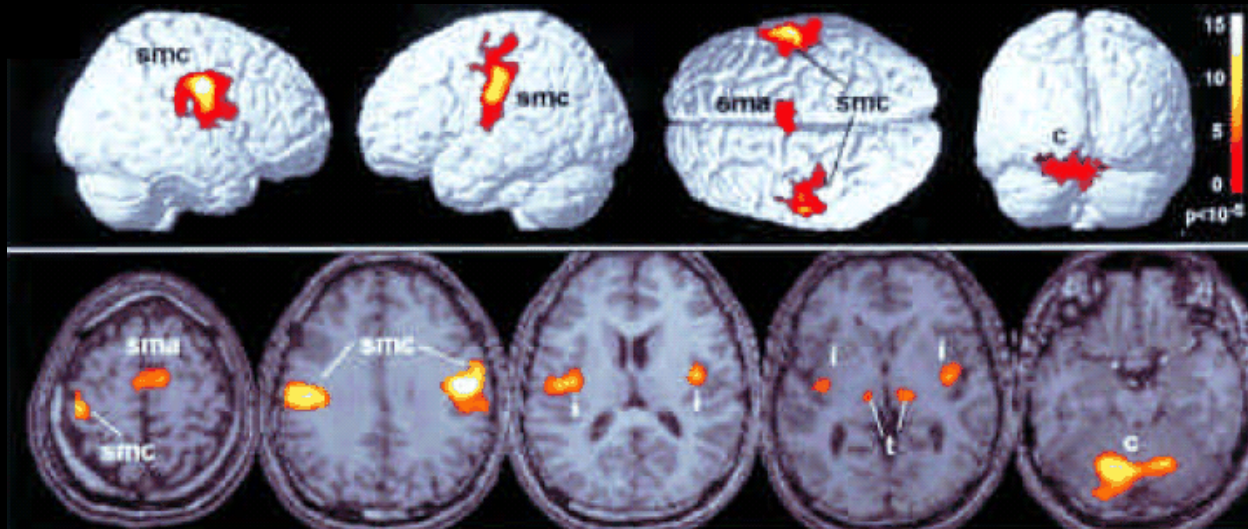
		Number of cycles	Sequence duration	EMG activity /sequence	EMG activity /cycle	Masticatory frequency	Vertical amplitude	Lateral amplitude	Closing velocity
Extrinsic factors	Hardness (from soft to hard)	 10, 65, 66, 79, 81, 83	 10, 25, 79, 83, 100	 10, 65, 79, 83	 10, 65, 78, 83	 10, 79, 80, 83	 9, 10, 69, 79, 83, 84	 10, 81, 98	 10, 32
	Physical properties (from elastic to plastic)	 83	 83	 83	 83	 83	 83	 83	 83
	Sample size	 6, 84-86	But what about taste ?					 85, 89	 6, 87, 89
Intrinsic factors	Age	 39, 44, 49	 39, 44, 49	 39, 49	Depends on food 39, 49	 39	 39	 39, 50	
	Gender (from female to male)	 36-39	 39	 39	 38, 39	 36, 38, 39, 94	 36-39	 36	 36, 37
	Tooth loss (edentate)	 48, 101	 48	 48	Depends on food 48, 56, 99	 48, 56, 101, 102			 101

Mastication and brain activity

Moderate hard
chewing gum

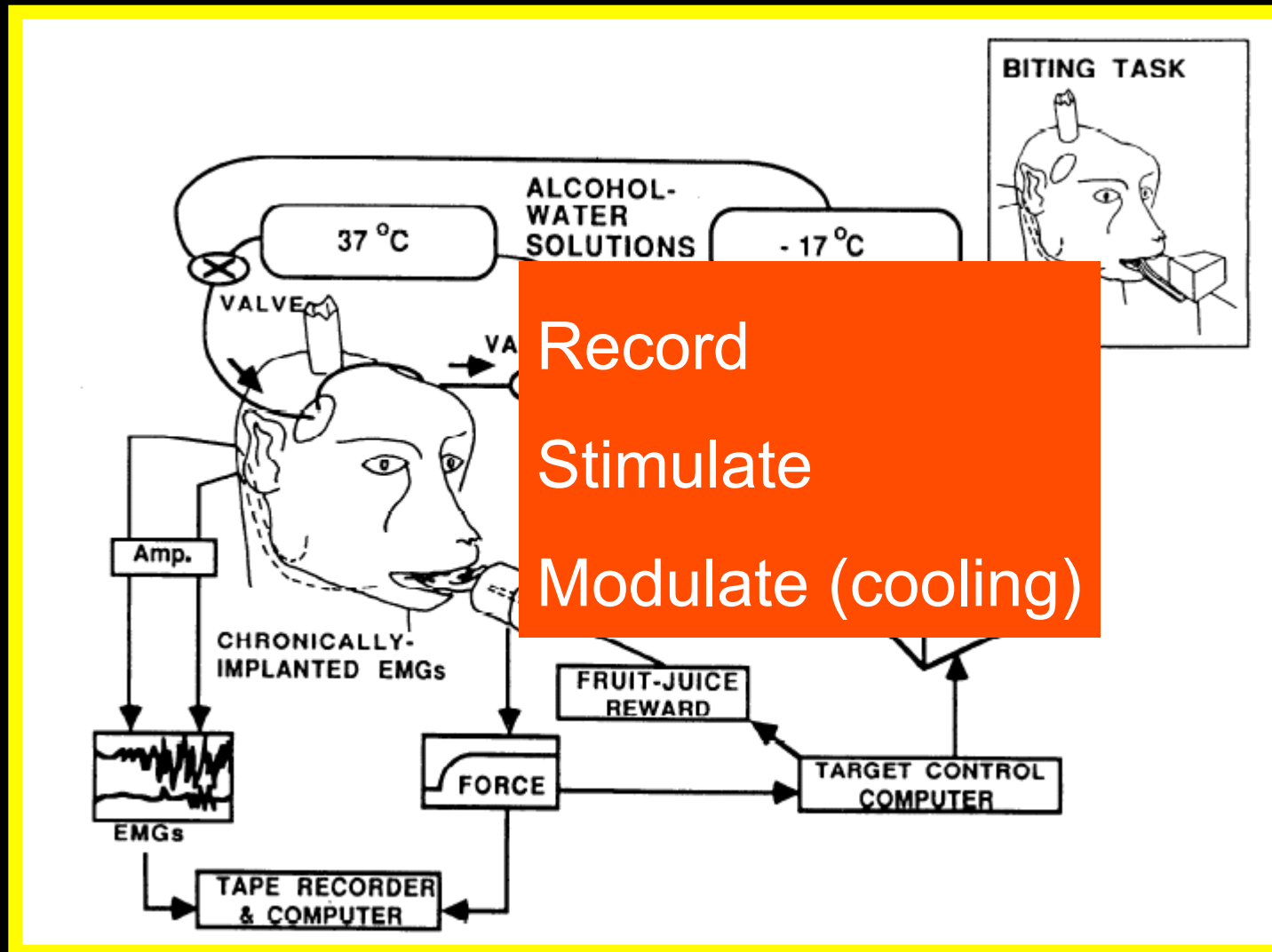


Hard
chewing gum



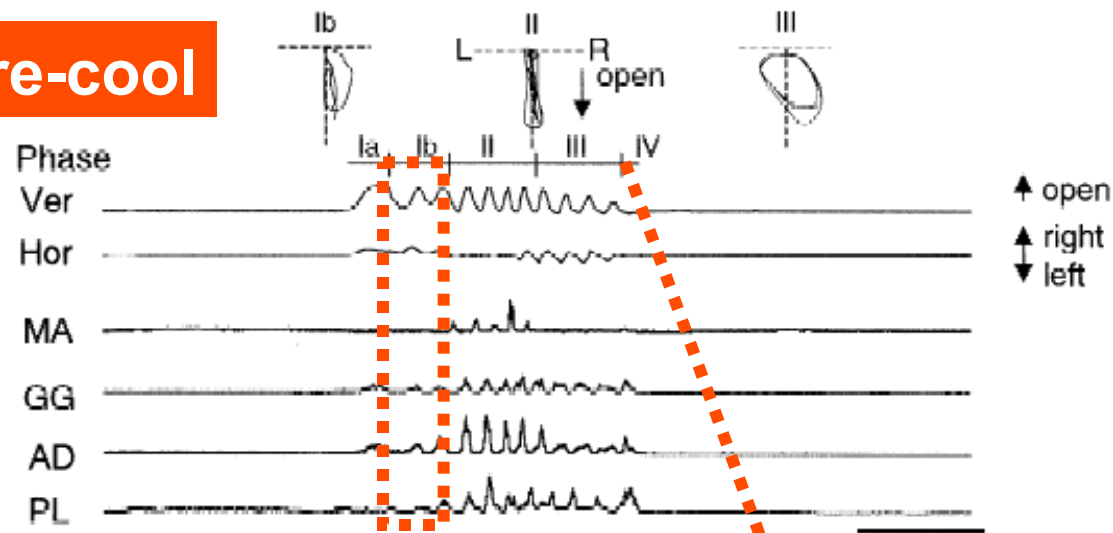
Onozuka et al. 2002

Importance of brain for mastication

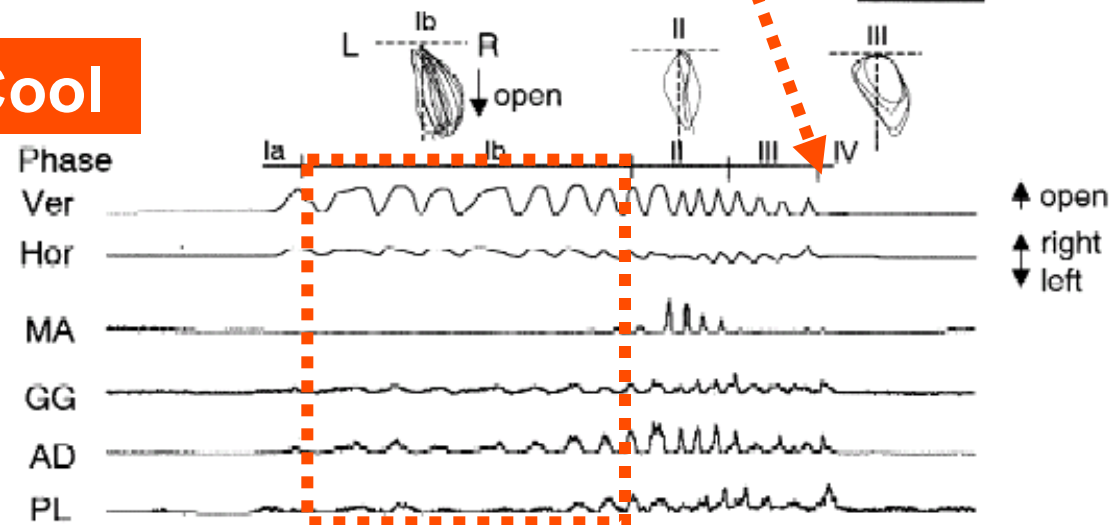


Effect of face MI cold block

Pre-cool



Cool



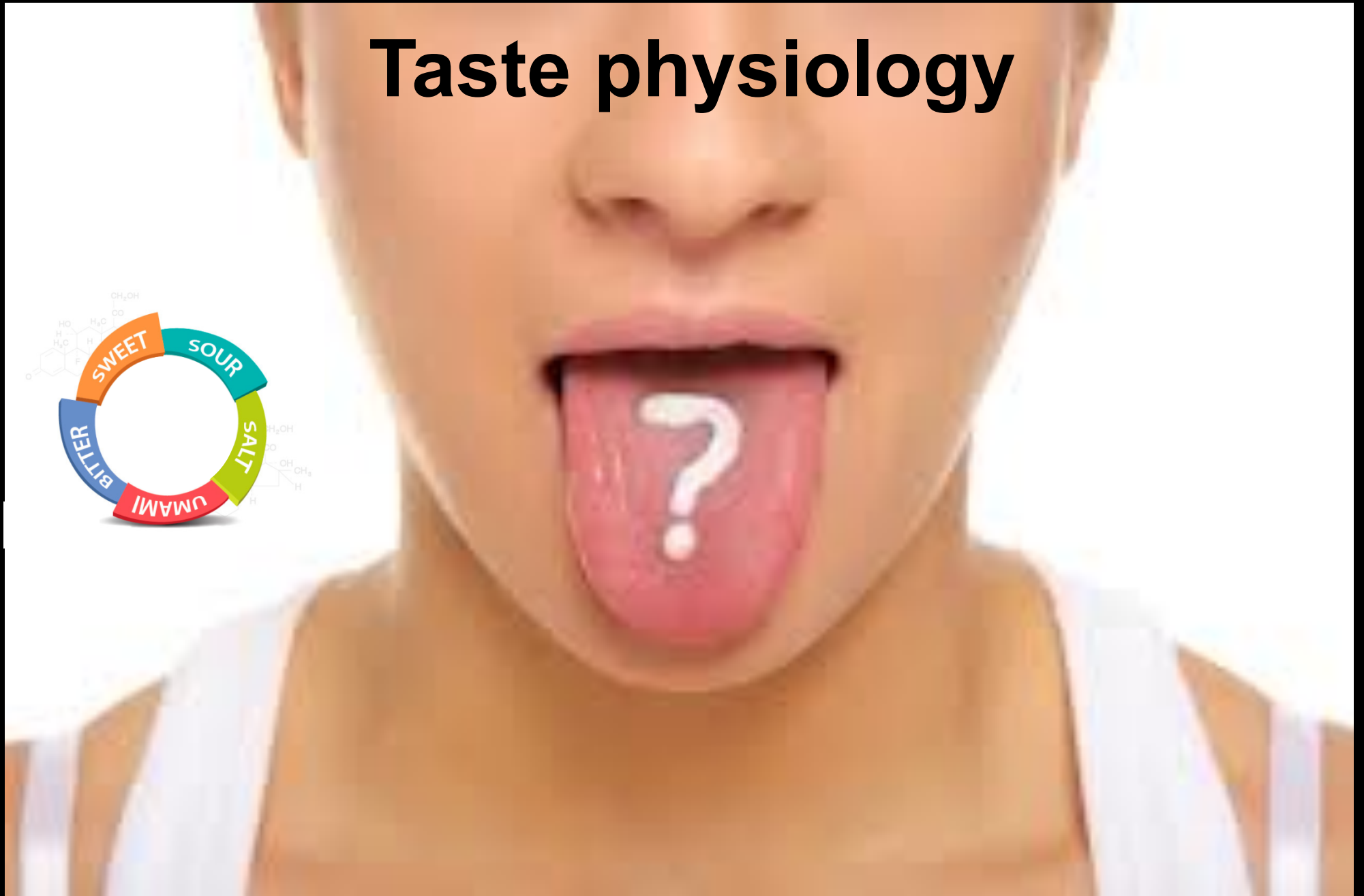
Importance of brain for mastication

- Intracortical microstimulation, cold blocks, single neuron recordings have demonstrated the involvement of cortical masticatory area, MI, SI for semi-automatic movements, i.e., mastication in monkeys

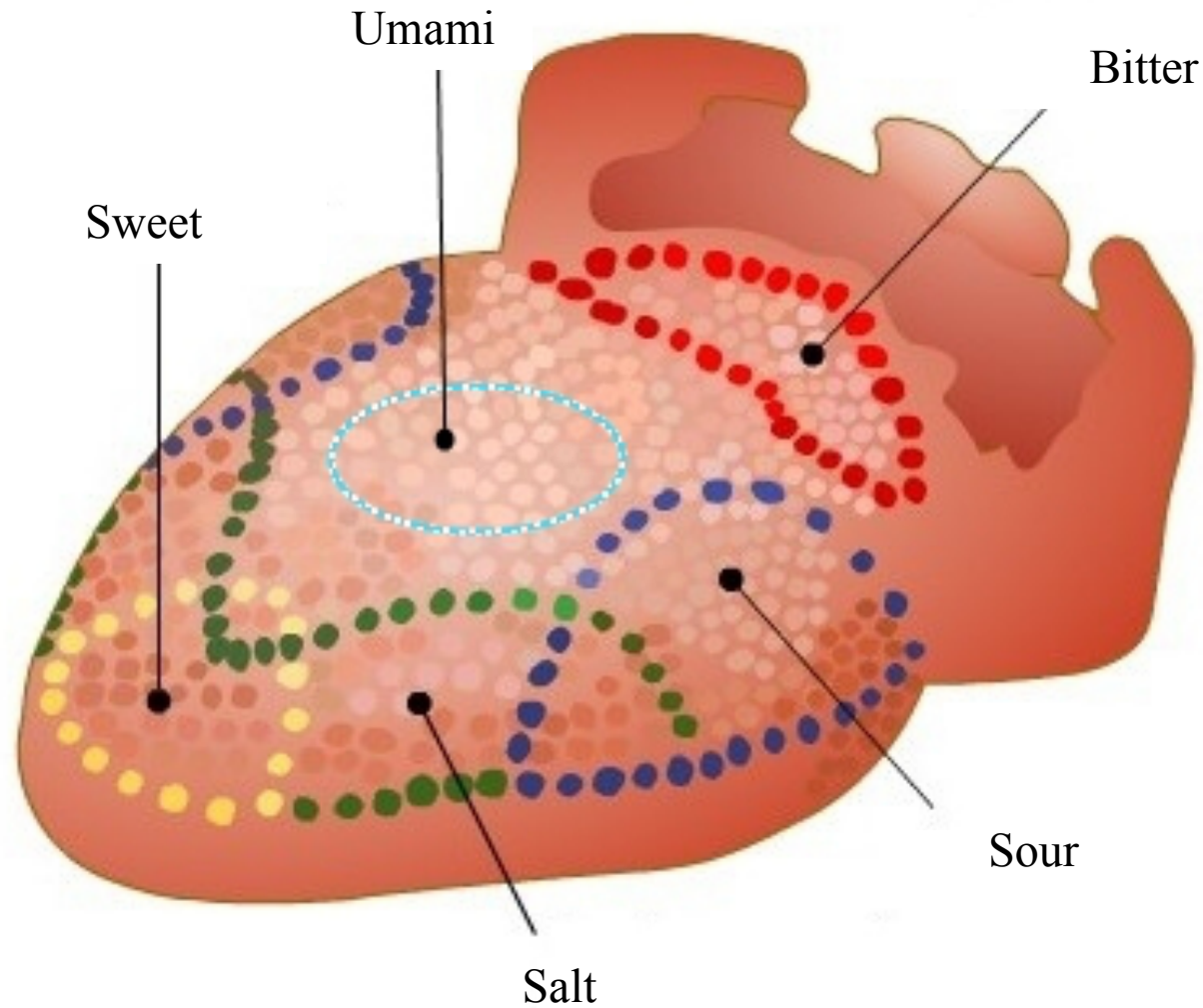
Summary

- Sensorimotor cortex and related brain areas important for initiation and fine regulation of mastication
- Sufficient masticatory function important for nutrition and well-being
- But what about taste ?

Taste physiology



Taste modalities



Taste buds

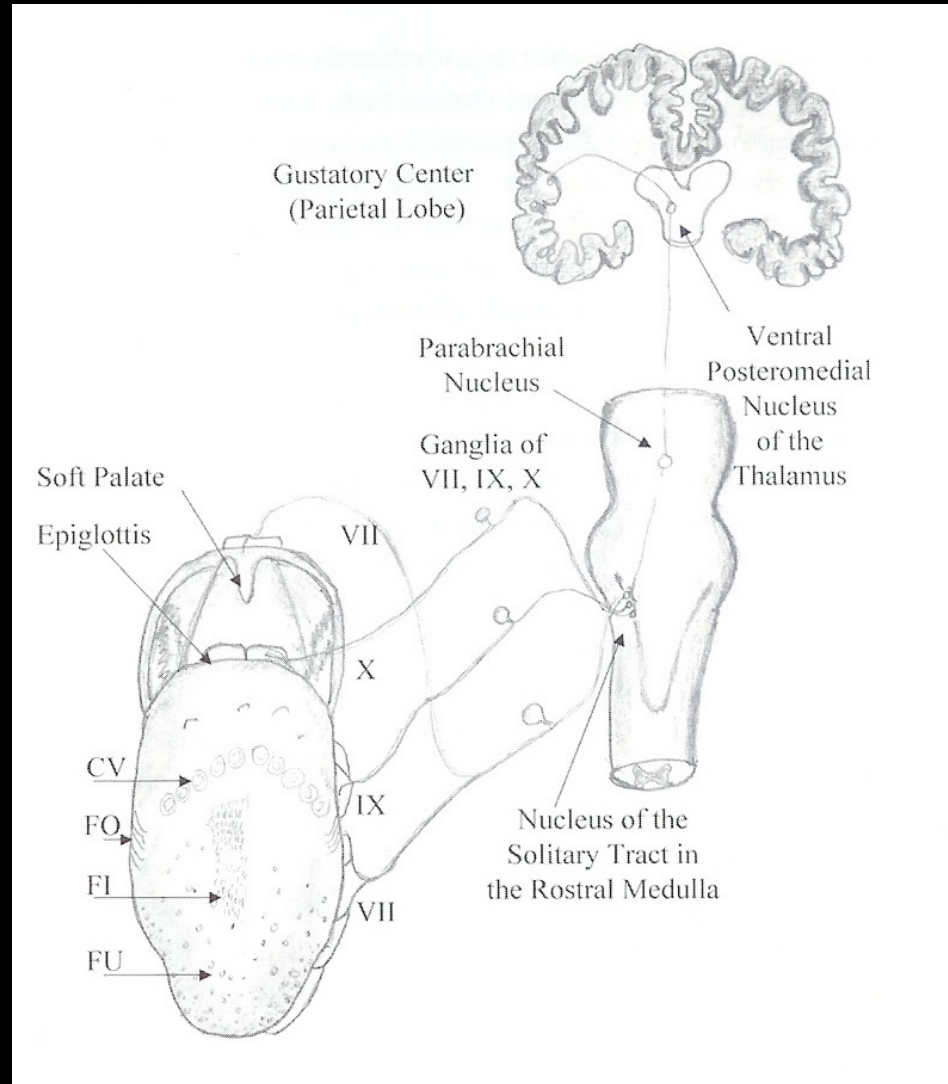
- 50-100 taste-receptors per taste bud
 - 1-10 p. fungiformis
 - 100-200 p. vallatae
 - 200-2000 p. foliatae
- Taste cells turnover: 10.5 days

Taste

- Needs 4 factors
 - A taste-receptor (taste bud)
 - A fluid environment (saliva)
 - A molecule to taste (food/drink)
 - A brain !

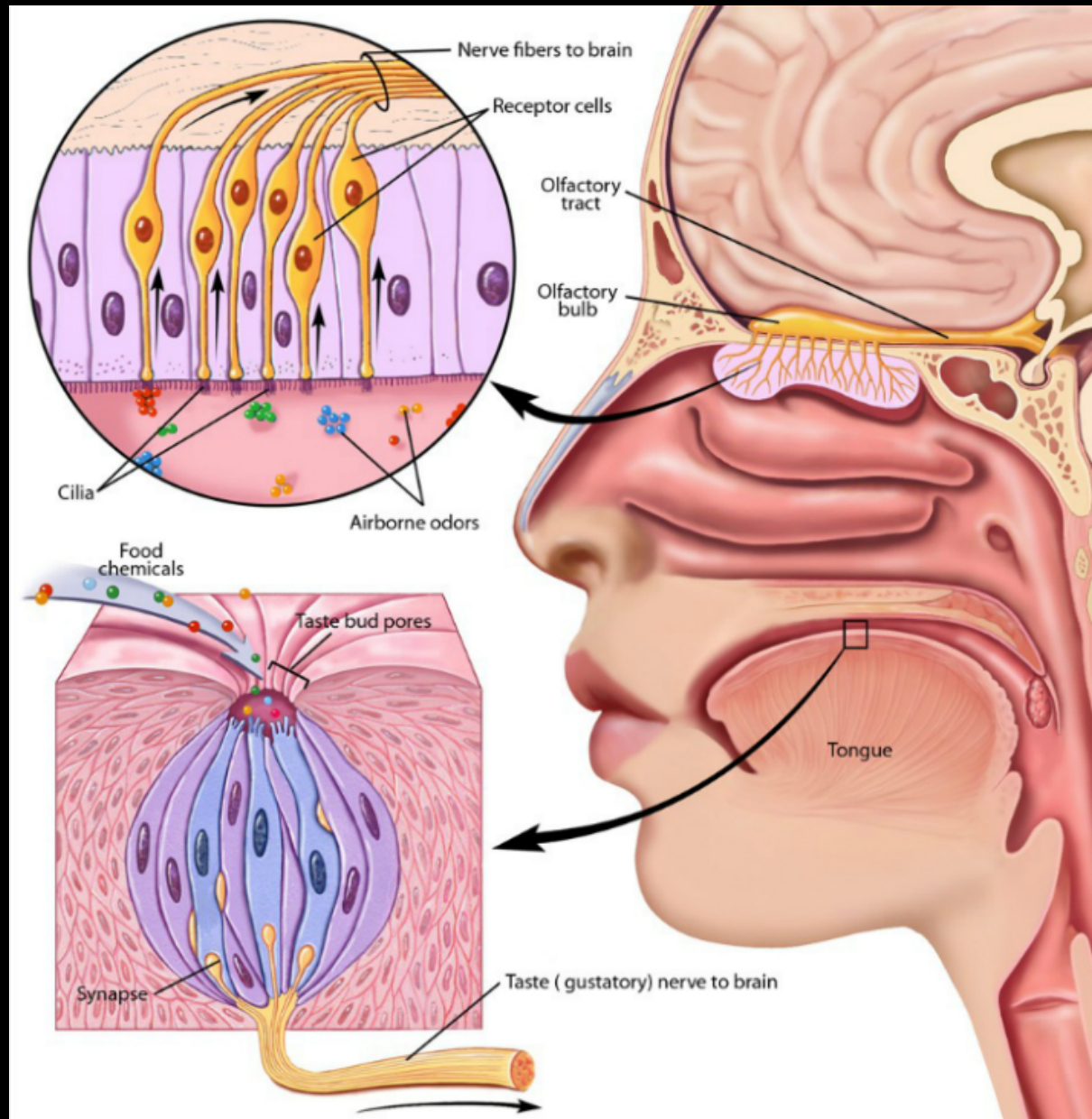
Gustatory system

Papillae vallatae
Papillae foliatae
Papillae filiformes (non-gustatory)
Papillae fungiformes



Smell

Taste



Flavors



Panna Cotta



Choc & Orange



Coconut



Caramelita



Swis Chocolate



Vanilla Dream



Raspberry



Maple Walnut



Strawberry



Rhubarb

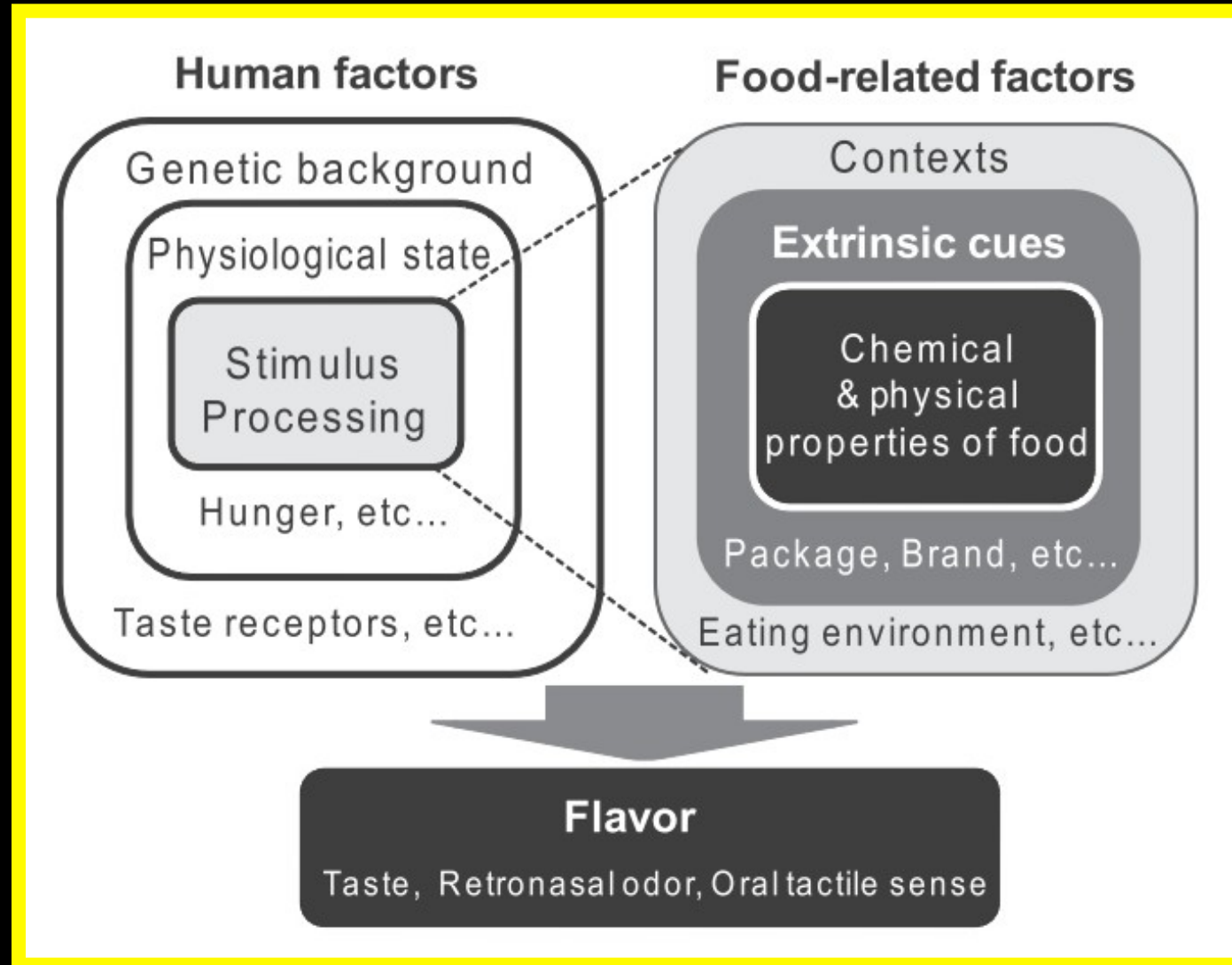


Passion Fruit & Mango



Pistachio

Complexity of flavor



Problems with taste

- Hypogeusia
 - Diminished ability to detect gustatory stimulants
- Hypergeusia
 - Increased perception to gustatory stimulants
- Dysgeusia
 - Distorted perception to gustatory stimulants
- Taste agnosia
 - Inability to identify a gustatory stimulant although it is properly perceived
- Ageusia
 - Inability to detect gustatory stimulants

Taste disturbances

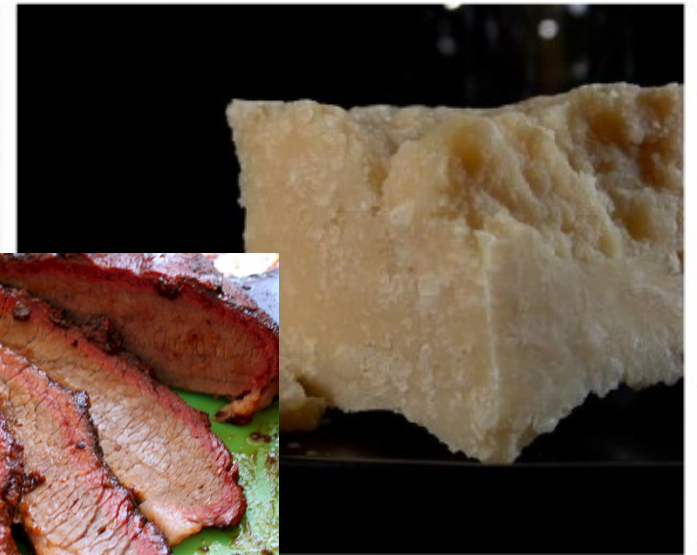
- Radiotherapy / chemotherapy in the neck or head
 - Collateral effects on both taste cells and saliva production
- Drugs / Medication / side-effects
- Dental treatment
 - Amalgam / removable dentures / chlorhexidin
- Infection/ inflammation
 - Candidiasis, gingivitis, periodontitis, BMS mm.
- Brain damage

Umami



- Described in 1908 as 5th taste
- Glutamate (MSG mono-sodium-glu) Kikunae Ikeda
- “Savory / meaty / protein taste”
- Umami = “umai” (delicious) + “mi” (taste)

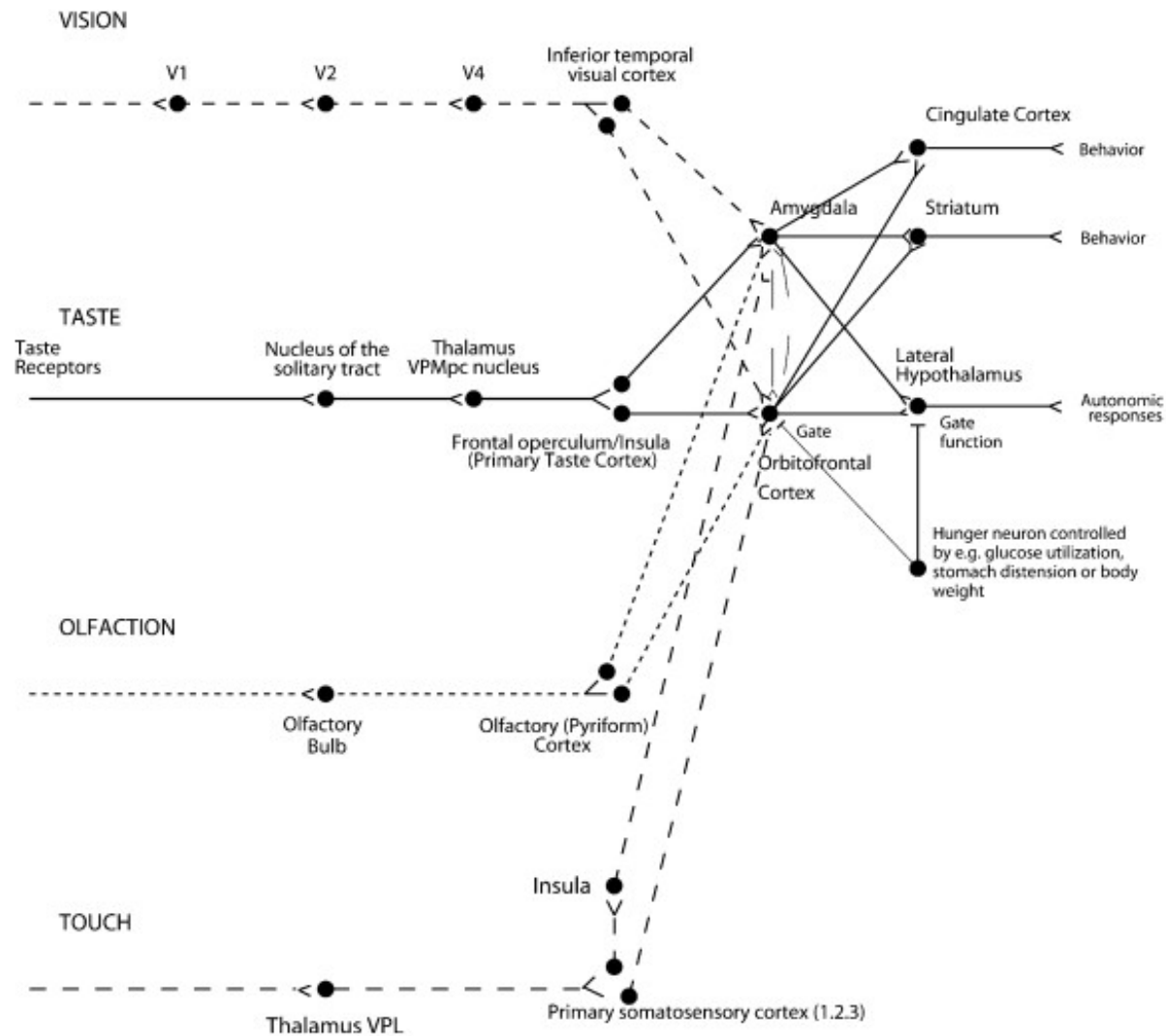
Umami



Umami



Umami not just umami



Umami not just umami

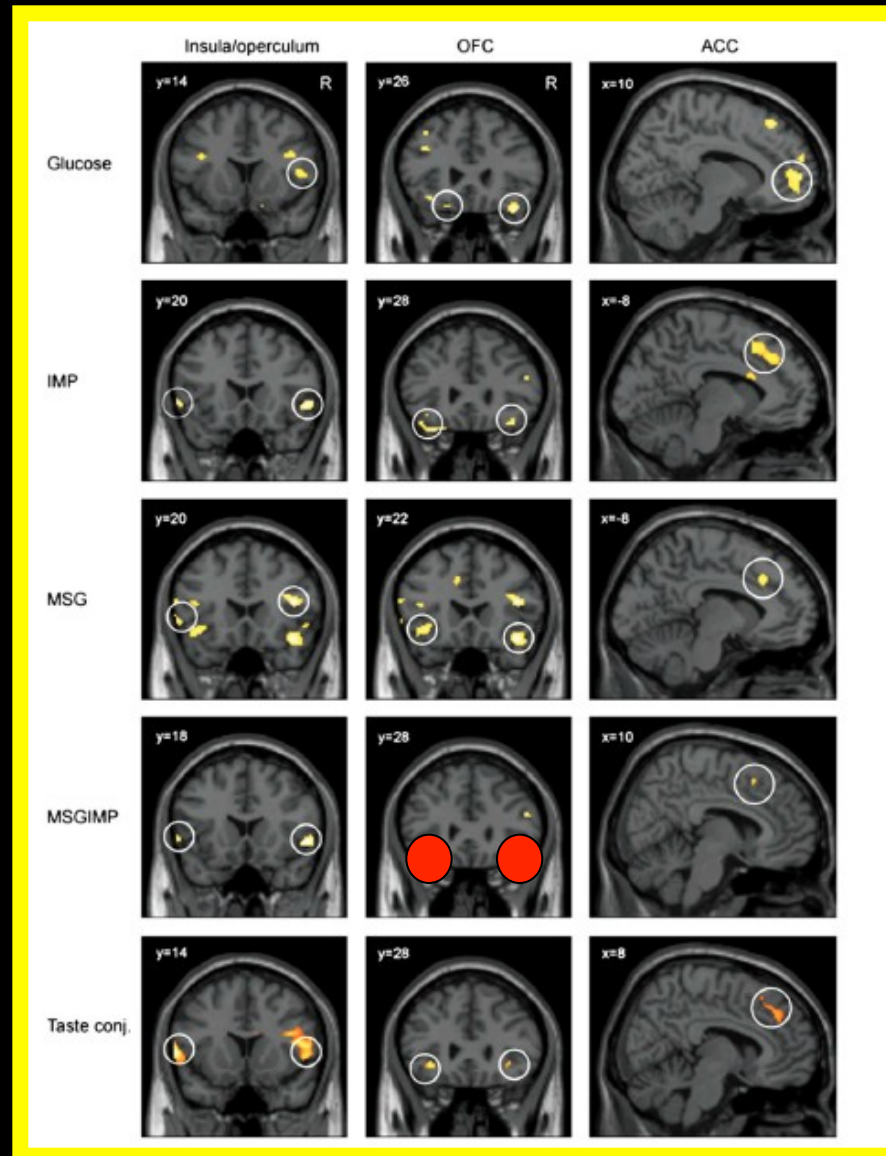
Sweet

Umami
vegetable

Umami
meat

Umami
combined

Complex
taste



Increased
pleasantness

Can food cause pain ?

Excess MSG ?

- Headache
- Flushing
- Sweating
- Facial pressure or tightness
- Numbness, tingling or burning in the face, neck and other areas
- Rapid, fluttering heartbeats (heart palpitations)
- Chest pain
- Nausea
- Weakness



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Headache and mechanical sensitization of human pericranial muscles after repeated intake of monosodium glutamate (MSG)

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A Dietary Restriction Influences the Progression But Not the Initiation of MSG-Induced Nonalcoholic Steatohepatitis

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Effect of systemic monosodium glutamate (MSG) on headache and pericranial muscle sensitivity

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Abstract

We conducted a double-blinded, placebo-controlled, crossover study to investigate the occurrence of adverse effects such as headache as well as pain and mechanical sensitivity in pericranial muscles after oral administration of monosodium glutamate (MSG). In three sessions, 14 healthy men drank sugar-free soda that contained either MSG (75 or 150 mg/kg) or NaCl (24 mg/kg, placebo). Plasma glutamate level, pain, pressure pain thresholds and tolerance levels, blood pressure (BP), heart rate and reported adverse effects were assessed for 2 h. No muscle pain or robust changes in mechanical sensitivity were detected, but there was a significant increase in reports of headache and subjectively reported pericranial muscle tenderness after MSG. Systolic BP was elevated in the high MSG session compared with low MSG and placebo. These findings add new information to the concept of MSG headache and craniofacial pain sensitivity.



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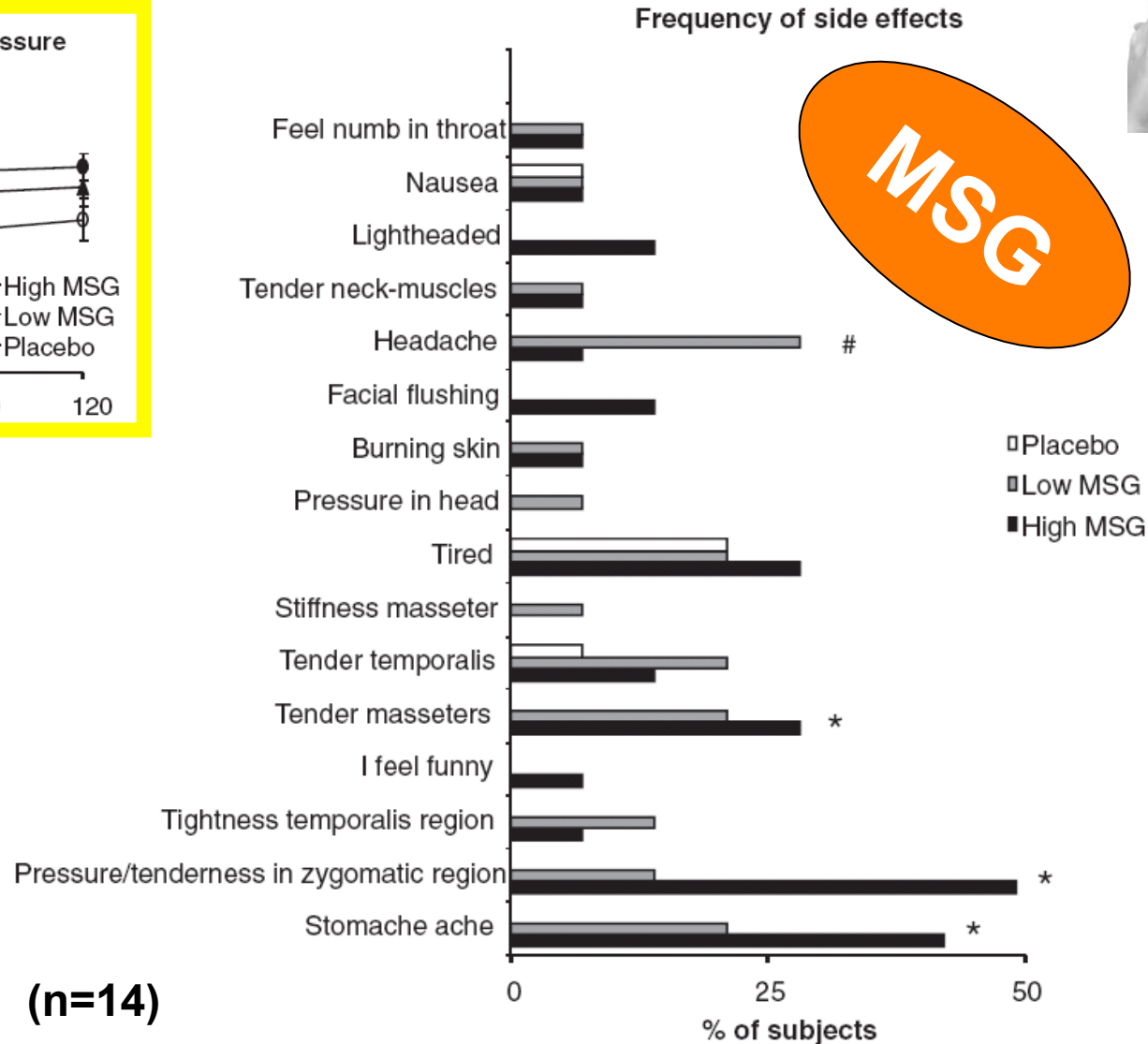
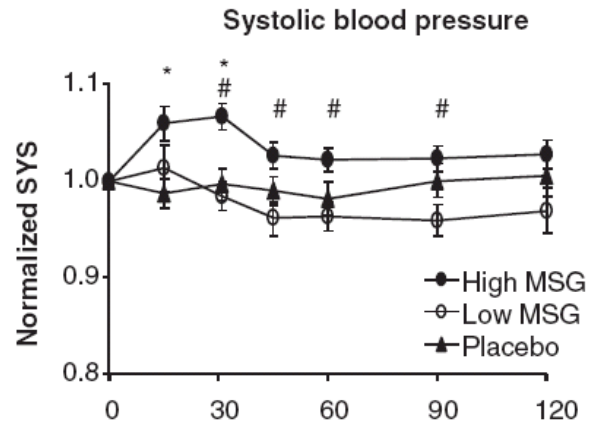
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Consumption of monosodium glutamate in relation to incidence of overweight in Chinese adults: China Health and Nutrition Survey (CHNS)¹⁻³

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Effects of systemic glutamate



Baad-Hansen et al. 2009

Taste aversion



Like it – or not ?





Like it – or not ?

Grape Juice

Table 1

Mean ratings per group (likers/dislikers) of taste stimuli during MRI scanning.

	Mean $\pm$ SD		GLM repeated measures one-way ANOVA ^c	
	Likers	Dislikers	F value	p Value
GJ liking ^a	2.5 $\pm$ 0.8	–2.6 $\pm$ 0.8	395.33	<.001
GJ intensity ^b	7.6 $\pm$ 0.7	7.9 $\pm$ 0.7	1.78	.19
GJ familiarity ^b	8.2 $\pm$ 0.8	7.3 $\pm$ 1.0	7.89	<.01
Sucr liking ^a	2.6 $\pm$ 0.8	2.9 $\pm$ 0.8	1.69	.20
Sucr intensity ^b	6.1 $\pm$ 1.4	6.0 $\pm$ 1.4	0.02	.89
Sucr familiarity ^b	6.8 $\pm$ 2.4	7.8 $\pm$ 0.9	3.33	.08
Quin liking ^a	–3.4 $\pm$ 0.6	–3.5 $\pm$ 0.6	0.06	.81
Quin intensity ^b	7.5 $\pm$ 1.1	7.4 $\pm$ 1.1	0.05	.83
Quin familiarity ^b	4.6 $\pm$ 2.9	5.2 $\pm$ 2.4	0.45	.51
W liking ^a	–0.1 $\pm$ 0.7	–0.1 $\pm$ 0.7	0.03	.96
W intensity ^b	2.5 $\pm$ 1.4	2.1 $\pm$ 1.4	0.49	.49
W familiarity ^b	5.1 $\pm$ 2.6	5.3 $\pm$ 3.0	0.03	.87

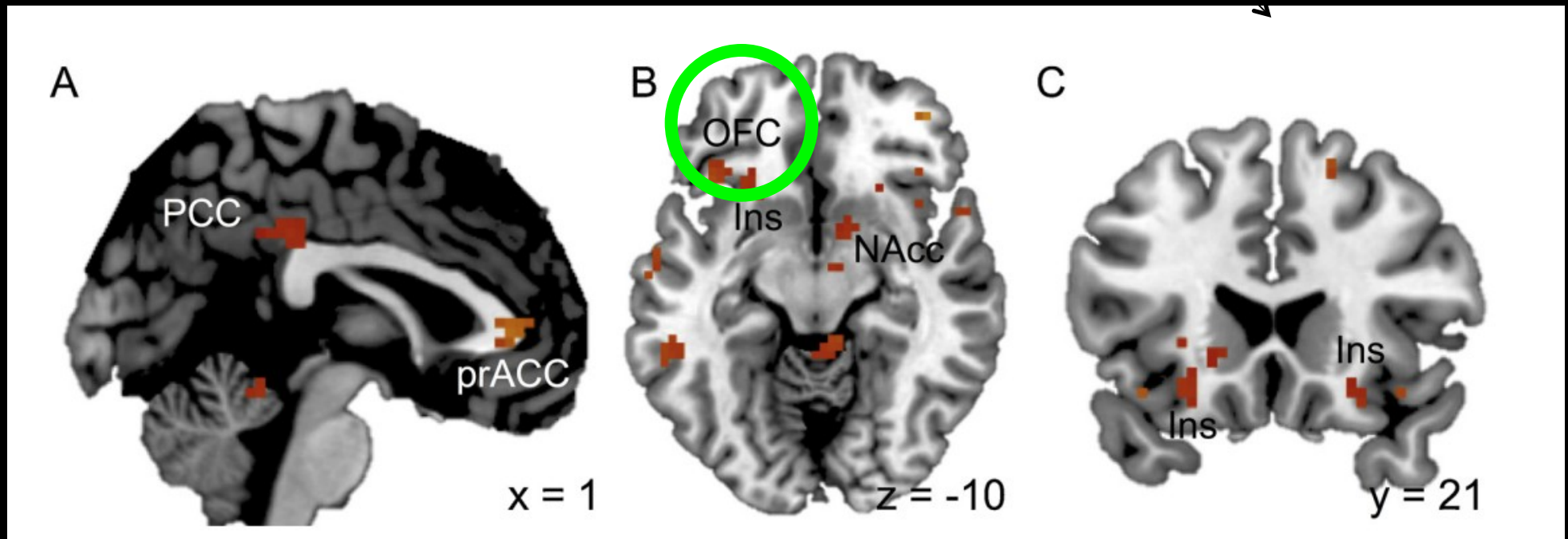
^a Liking ratings were measured on a 9-point scale ranging from –4 “dislike extremely” to 4 “like extremely”.

^b Intensity and familiarity ratings were measured on a 9-point scale ranging from 1 “not at all” to 9 “extremely”.

^c Repeated measures GLM was used to analyze differences in liking and intensity ratings between likers and dislikers. Differences in familiarity ratings between groups were analyzed using a one-way ANOVA.

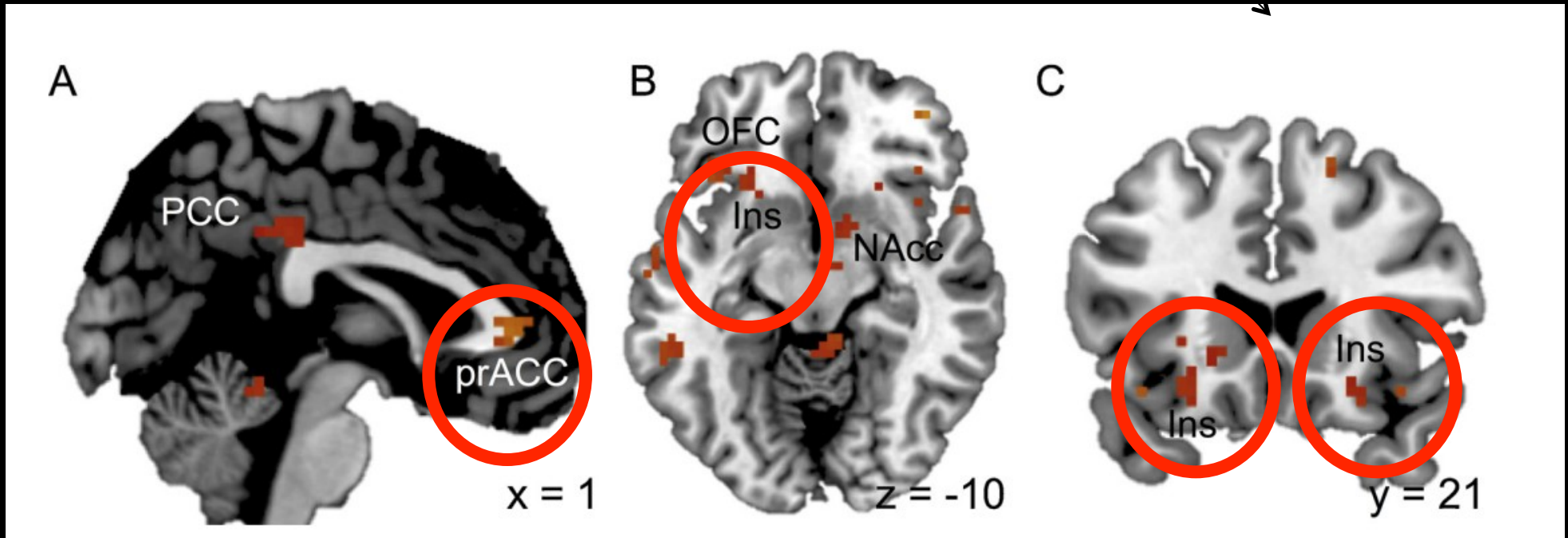
Like it – or not ?

Likers ↑



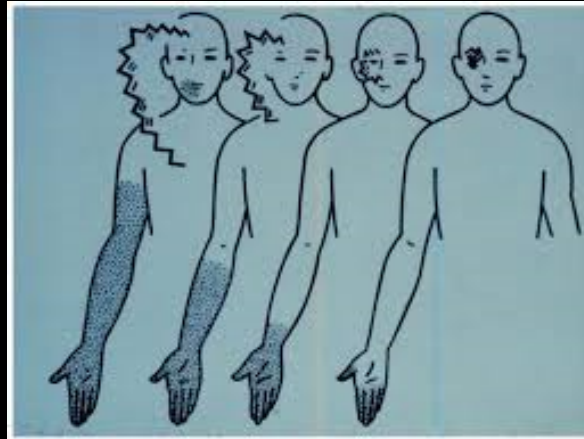
Like it – or not ?

Dislikers ↑



Can food cause pain ?

Migraine

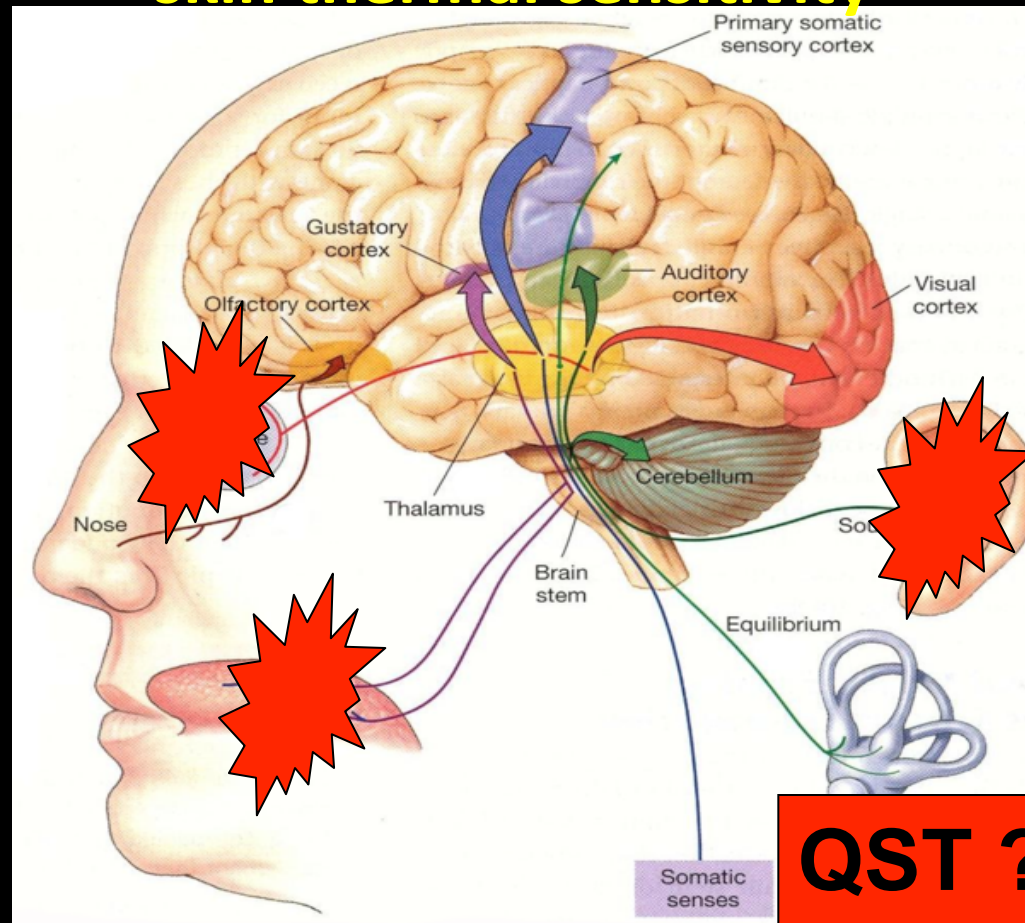


Migraine triggers



Multisensory integration

Effect of negative emotions
evoked by unpleasant light, noise and taste on
skin thermal sensitivity

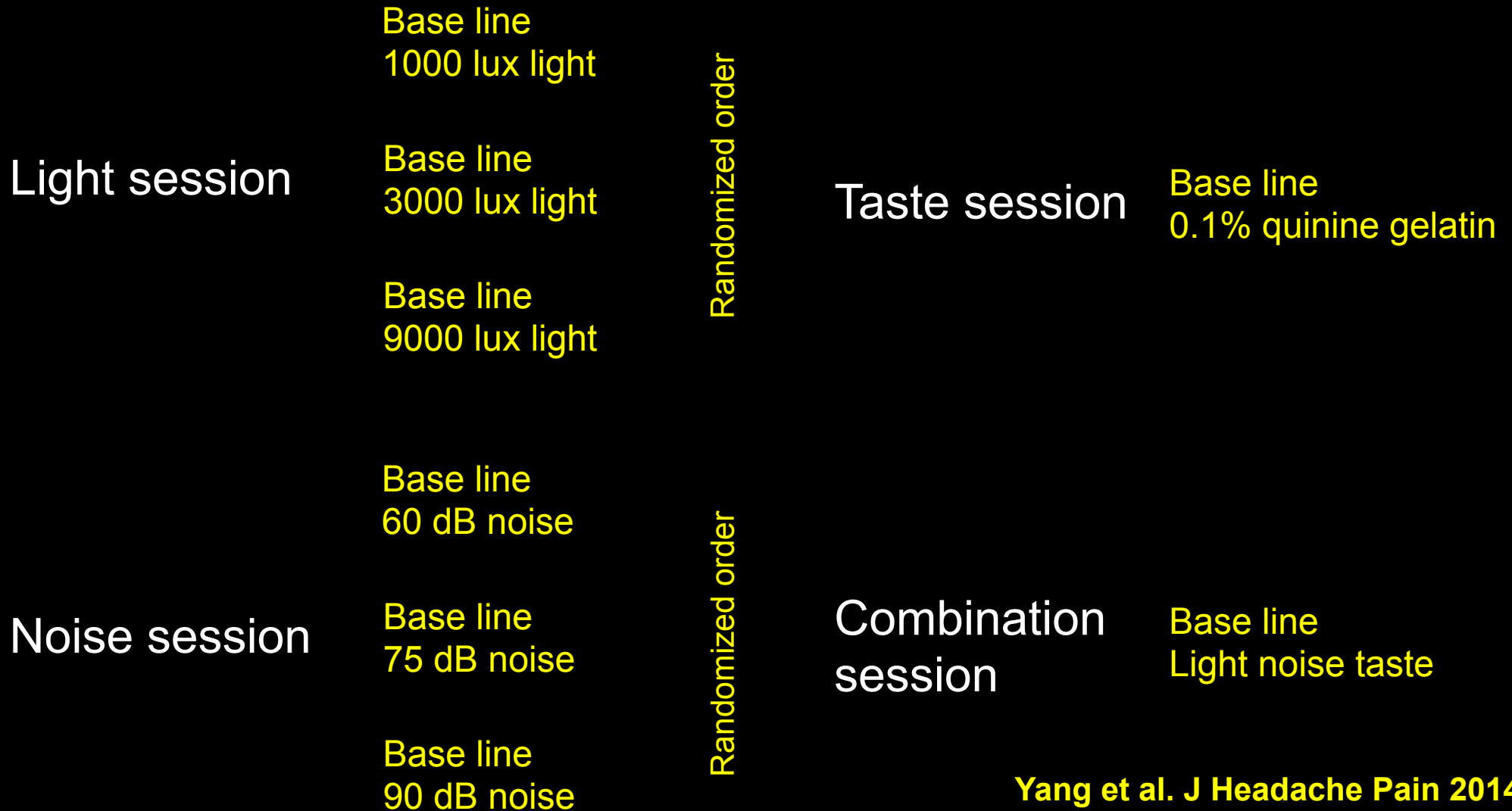


Yang et al.
J Headache Pain 2014

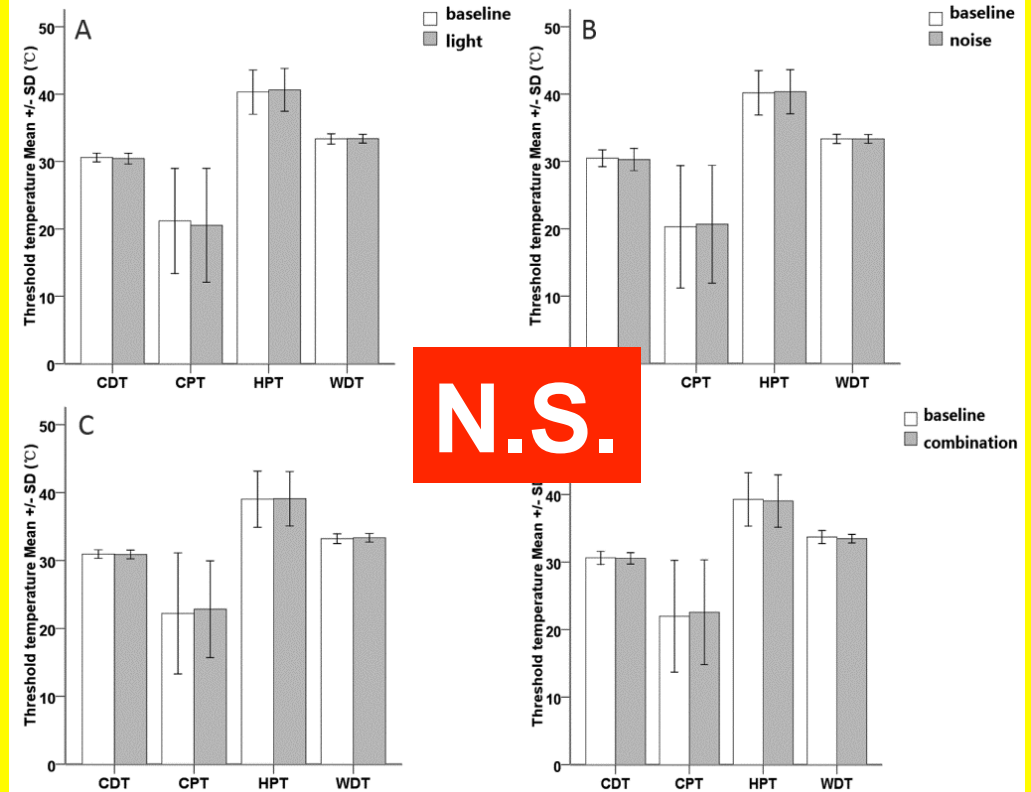
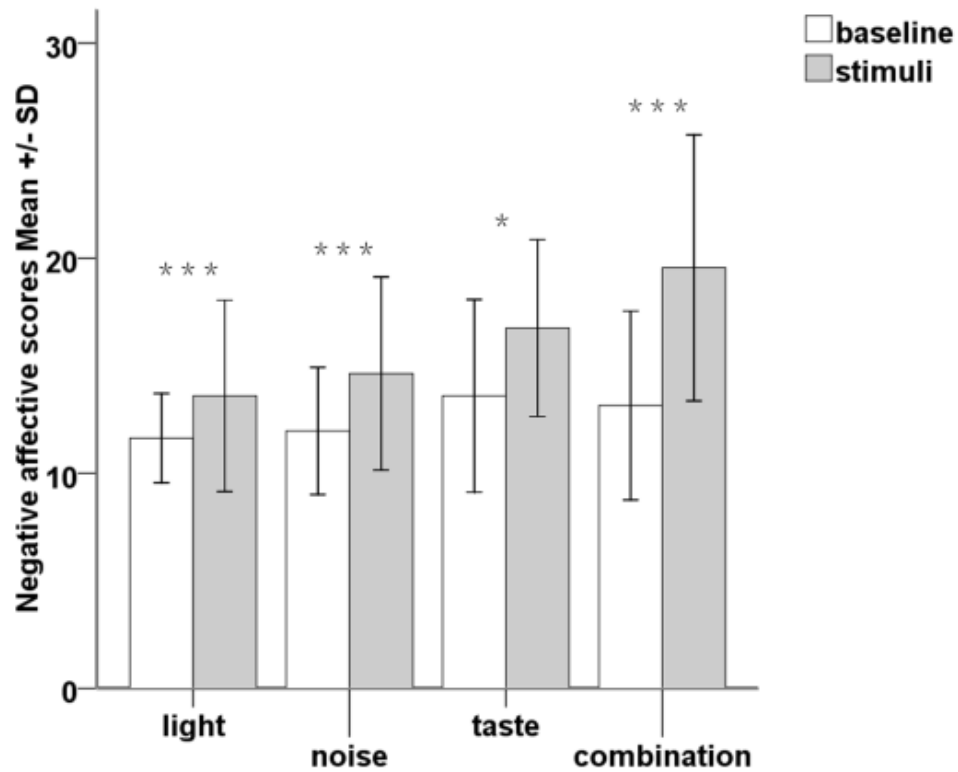
Methods

- QST: thermal sensitivity
 - CDT, WDT, CPT, HPT
- Physiological measures
 - Heart Rate, Skin Temperature
- Rating of conditioning stimuli
- Affective state evaluation

Methods



Outcome



Summary

- Although unpleasant, innocuous sensory stimuli alone seem insufficient to trigger sensitization of the normal trigeminal somatosensory system

Enjoyment

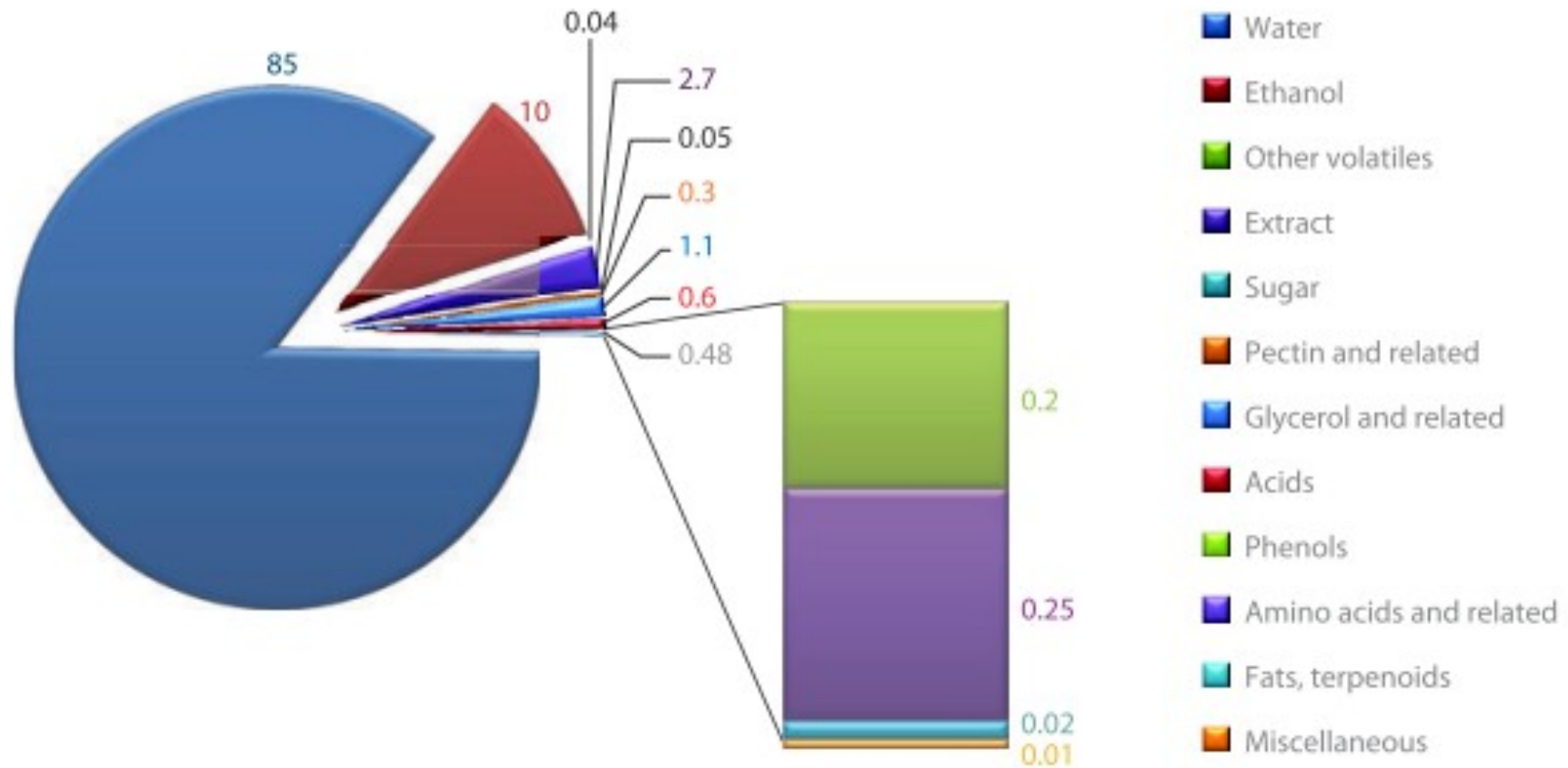
Enjoyment of food – and wine



Wine matrix

- Non-volatile fraction
 - Etanol
 - Polyphenolic compounds
 - Proteins
 - Carbohydrates
- Volatile fraction
 - Flavor and aroma compounds

Complexity of wine



Wine aroma

- Primary aromas
 - Grape-derived
 - Exocarp (skin)
 - Molecule specific

Complexity of wine

Compound	Molecular weight (g mol ⁻¹)	Boiling point (°C)	Log P value ^d	Concentration (µg L ⁻¹)	Threshold (µg L ⁻¹)	Aroma descriptor ^k
<i>Carbonyls</i>						
β-damascenone ^{a,b,c}	190	265	4.21	2, ^a 29, ^b 3.5 ^c	0.05 ^{e,h}	apple, honey
β-ionone ^c	192	263	3.84	0.23 ^c	0.09 ^g	seaweed, violet
3-octanone ^b	128	168	2.22	17 ^b	21-50 ⁱ	herb, butter
<i>esters</i>						
ethyl 2-methylbutyrate ^c	130	135	2.26	32 ^c	18 ^g , 1 ^c	apple
ethyl 3-methylbutyrate ^c	130	135	2.26	20 ^c	3 ^g	fruit
ethyl butyrate ^{a,c}	116	122	1.85	680, ^a 69 ^c	20 ^{g,h}	apple
ethyl hexanoate ^{a,b,c}	144	167	2.83	650, ^a 140, ^b 29 ^c	14, ^{g,h} 5 ^c	apple peel, fruit
ethyl cinnamate ^c	176	271	2.99	1.22 ^c	1.1 ^g	honey, cinnamon
isoamyl acetate ^{a,b,c}	130	142	2.25	60, ^a 142, ^b 120 ^c	30 ^{e,g,h}	banana
<i>Alcohols</i>						
isoamyl alcohol ^{a,b,c}	88	131	1.16	150,000, ^a 1,412, ^b 112,800 ^c	30,000 ^{e,h}	whiskey, malt, burnt
1-hexanol ^{a,b,c}	102	158	2.03	8,000, ^a 617, ^b 780 ^c	8,000 ^{e,g,h}	resin, green
2-phenylethanol ^{a,b,c}	122	218	1.36	34,000, ^a 6,089, ^b 60,300 ^c	14,000, ^{g,h} 10,000 ^c	honey, rose
methionol ^c	106	178	0.44	3,750 ^c	1,000 ^g	sweet, potato
1-heptanol ^b	116	177	2.62	15 ^b	3 ⁱ	chemical, green
<i>Phenols</i>						
guaiacol ^c	124	205	1.32	47.3 ^c	9.5, ^g 10 ^e	smoke, medicine
eugenol ^c	164	253	2.27	60 ^c	6, ^c 5 ^e	clove, honey
4-vinylguaiacol ^c	150	247	2.24	30 ^c	40, ^c 10 ^j	clove, curry
<i>Terpenes</i>						
β-citronellol ^{b,c}	156	224	3.91	21, ^b 1.2 ^c	100 ^f	rose
linalool oxide ^b	170	233	2.08	3.0 ^b	4-10 ^k	flower, wood
geraniol ^{b,c}	154	230	3.56	19, ^b 3.2 ^c	20, ^c 30 ^e	rose, geranium
<i>Lactone</i>						
cis-whiskey lactone ^c	156	261	2.00	151 ^c	67 ⁱ	coconut
<i>Acids</i>						
3-methylbutyric acid ^c	102	176	1.16	1,670 ^c	33 ^g	sweat, acid
hexanoic acid ^{a,b,c}	116	205	1.92	5,300, ^a 120 ^b , 2,730 ^c	420 ^{g,h}	sweat
octanoic acid ^{a,b,c}	144	239	3.05	26,000, ^a 555, ^b 1,910 ^c	500 ^{g,h}	sweat, cheese

Complexity of wine

Variety ^a	Characteristic odorants	Odor quality	Sensory threshold	Ref.
Muscat	Linalool, Terpenols, <i>e.g.</i> geraniol, nerol	Floral Citrus, floral	170 ng L ⁻¹ (in water)	7,8
Riesling	TDN (1,1,6-trimethyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalene)	Kerosene, bottle age	20 µg L ⁻¹	9,10
Cabernet Sauvignon, Sauvignon blanc, Cabernet franc, Merlot, Carmenere	3-Isobutyl-2-methoxypyrazines (IBMP)	Bell pepper	2 ng L ⁻¹ (in water)	11–14
Gewürztraminer	<i>cis</i> -Rose oxide	Geranium oil, carrot leaves	200 ng L ⁻¹	15–20
<i>Vitis labrusca</i> , <i>Vitis rotundifolia</i>	Wine lactone	Coconut, woody, sweet	0.02 pg L ⁻¹ (in air)	21,22
Sauvignon blanc, Scheurebe	<i>o</i> -Aminoacetophenone	Foxy, sweet	400 ng L ⁻¹	
	4-Methyl-4-mercaptopentan-2-one	Blackcurrant	0.6 ng L ⁻¹ in water-ethanol (90 : 10, w/w)	16,18
Grenache rosé, Sauvignon blanc, Semillon	3-Mercapto-1-hexanol	Grapefruit/citrus peel (<i>R</i> isomer)	50 ng L ⁻¹	23
		Passion fruit (<i>S</i> isomer)	60 ng L ⁻¹	24
Shiraz	Rotundone	Black pepper	16 ng L ⁻¹ (in wine)	25,26

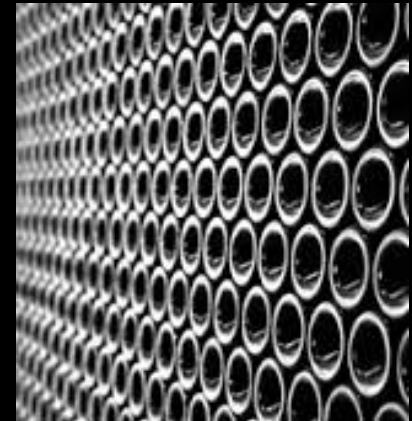
^a All varieties are *Vitis vinifera* except where indicated.

Wine aroma

- Secondary aromas
 - By-products by fermentation
 - Fusel oils (pungent odor)
 - Acetate esters (fruity aromas)
 - Aldehydes / ketones / yeasts (dried fruit / buttery)
 - Phenoles (animal / horse sweat / stable)

Wine aroma

- Tertiary aromas
 - Aging !
 - Wood / barrel / steel
 - Storage (temperature / light)



Enjoyment of wine



Drinking good wine
with good food in good company
is one of life's most civilized pleasures



Taste and mastication

- Mastication is essential for living
- Taste is essential for enjoyment

Thank you for your attention

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