



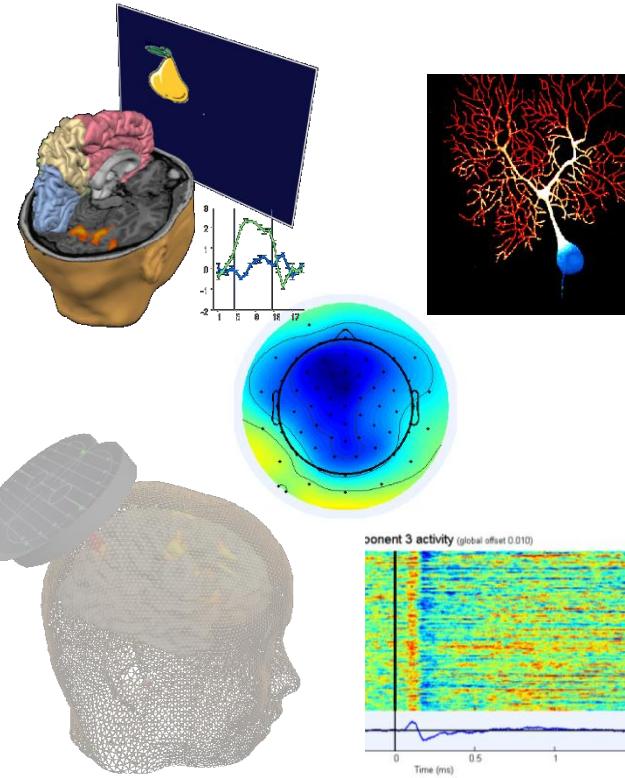
Research Master in Cognitive and Clinical Neuroscience

Cognitive Neuroscience Specialisation

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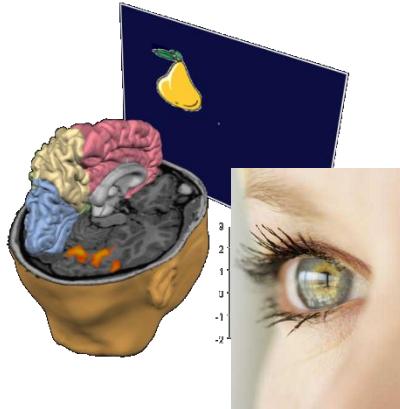


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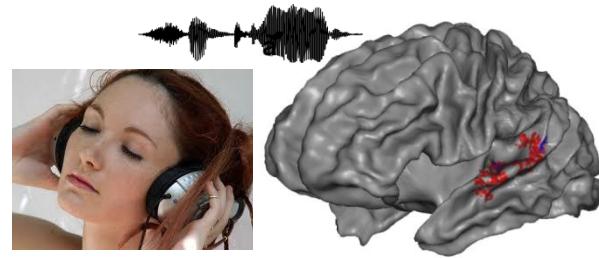


**Interdisciplinary field: psychology,
biology, bioengineering, mathematics,
physics, computer science ...**

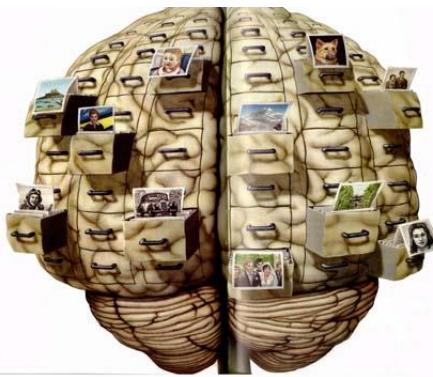
I. Perception, cognition & behaviour



1. Visual Perception & Attention



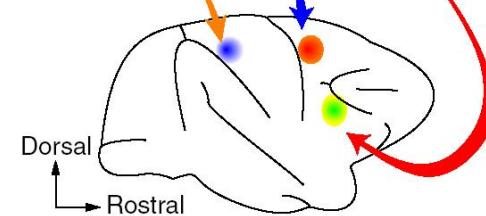
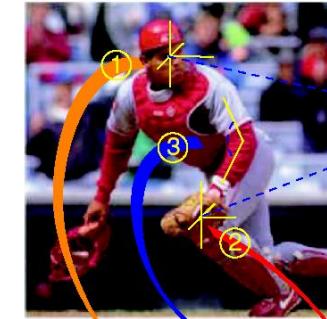
2. Audition, Language & Cross-modal integration



4. Memory & Learning



5. Translational Neuroscience



3. Integration of Sensory & Motor Systems

II. Methods & applications of neuroimaging techniques



1. functional MRI (2x)
2. MRI/DTI
3. EEG/MEG
4. TMS

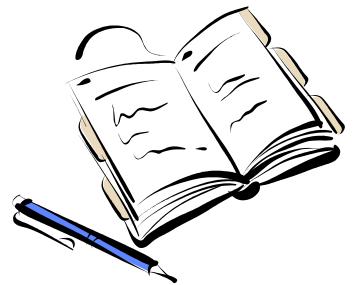


Theoretical core courses
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Hands-on skills trainings



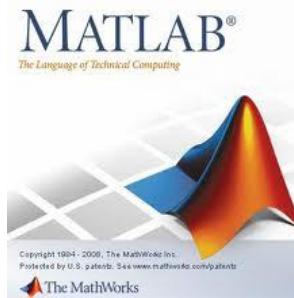
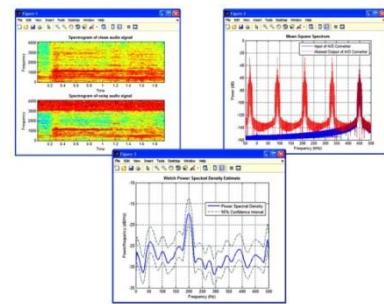
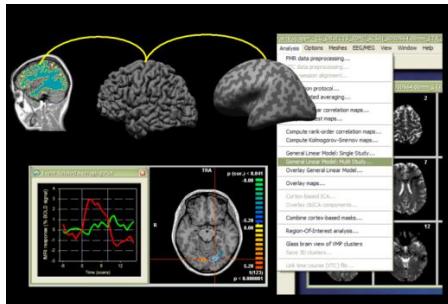
III. Academic and research skills

All RM tracks



Presentation and writing skills, statistics

Cognitive Neuroscience



Extensive training in experimental design, EEG/fMRI signal analysis, basic maths

CN perspectives I: Clinical applications

TMS induced brain plasticity
→ guiding brain recovery after stroke



Alexander Sack

Cortical mechanisms of Auditory Scene Analysis
→ intelligent hearing aids



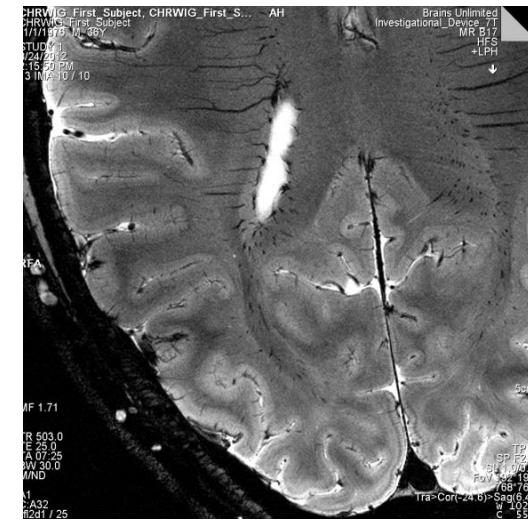
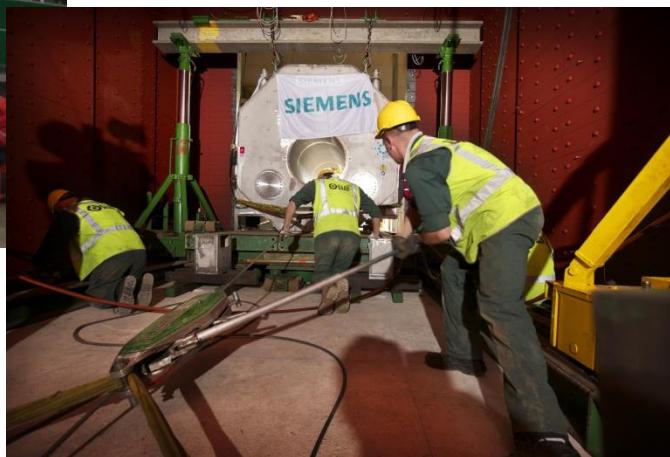
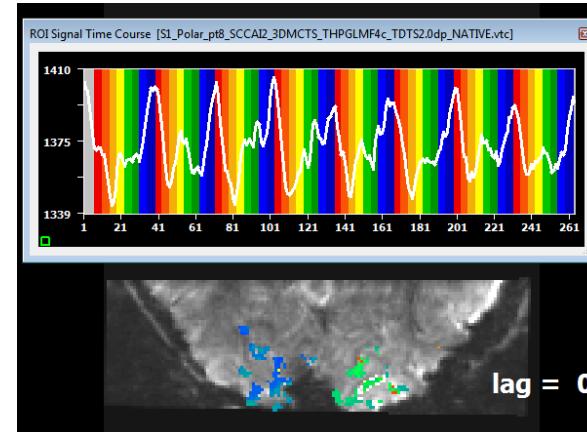
Elia Formisano

Real-time fMRI & Neurofeedback
→ treatment of depression, Parkinson
→ motor-independent communication with locked-in patients



Rainer Goebel

CN perspectives II: Ultra high-field MRI



Own research possibilities

- *Research Electives and Grant Writing*
- Research Internship (~8 months)
 - excellent possibilities within CN group
 - and in one of many excellent laboratories within our large network of national and international collaborations (*for examples see website*).



Examples Internships CN

Matteo Bastiani, FPN:

Development of high resolution fiber tracking (DTI) methods

Jan Zimmerman, University of Minnesota, USA:

Direction selective neural columns in human V5 measured at 7T fMRI

Kiki vd Heijden, FPN:

Spatial audition in virtual reality & fMRI

Danique Jeurissen, Harvard Medical School, Boston, USA:

Brain connectivity network underlying moral judgment

Isabelle Habes, University of Cardiff, UK:

Treating depression using fMRI neurofeedback

Annette Giani, University of Würzburg, Germany:

Treating Tinnitus with TMS



Career perspectives

Optimal preparation for:

- **fundamental brain research** in academic setting
- using neuroimaging techniques in **applied/clinical research** settings (see CN perspectives I)
- **biomedical industry**, e.g., BrainsUnlimited
(see CN perspectives II)

CN staff @ Maastricht Brain Imaging Center



Go
the **extra**
mile



More information, Questions?

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