

Chapters 10, 11 The Nervous System and Clinical Applications

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Cells Of The Nervous System

The neuron

- Cell body
 - Nucleus
 - Nucleolus
- Dendrites
- Axon
- Terminal buttons

Myelin and Glia

Myelin

•Fatty substance that forms insulation for axons

•Increases speed of transmission of neural impulses

•Damaged in Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis

Glia

•Supporting cells

•40 – 50x more prevalent than neurons

•Provide nutrients to neurons

Myelin, Glia - details





(Human Retina)

Types of Neuron



Neurons – polarity types



Neuronal Connections



Pre- and post-synaptic

Synaptic cleft

- Neurotransmitter
- Neuromodulators

Actions

- Excitation
- Inhibition





Synapse – details

Neural Impulse



Resting potential

Depolarization

Action potential

Neural Impulse

- •Extra and intracellular fluids lons
- •Resting membrane potential
- •Sodium/ potassium pump
- Polarization
- •Depolarization
- Action Potential
- •Action spike

(fr. Kent, The Speech Sciences)



A. Resting potential:

- - 70 mV inside to out
- K+ diffuses out till electrostatic balance with diffusion occurs



B. Action potential:

- Na channels open Na rushes in depolarization
- K rushes out stopping depolarization
- Na channels close 2 to 4 milliseconds, unidirectional!!



C. Resting potential restored:

Na pumps use ATP to pump Na ions back
out





Anatomy Of The Nervous System



Figure 7–7. Diagram of the central nervous system (CNS) and peripheral nervous system (PNS).

Central nervous system (CNS)

[brain + spinal cord]

Peripheral nervous system (PNS)

[cranial nerves, spinal nerves]



Outline of NS

Divisions Of The CNS

TELENCEPHALON

• (Cerebral hemispheres & basal nuclei)

DIENCEPHALON

• (Thalamus and hypothalamus)

MESENCEPHALON

• (Midbrain – tectum, tegmentum)

METENCEPHALON

• (Pons, cerebellum)

MYELENCEPHALON

• (Medula Oblongata)





Divisions – continued

Cerebral Hemispheres

Gray matter

- LOBES
- GYRI
- SULCI
- FISSURES



Transverse view



- White matter
- FASICULI
- COMMISSURE

Subcortical Structures



- •Basal ganglia/basal nuclei
- •Thalamus & hypothalamus



The Limbic System





The Limbic System

The Limbic System Song! (good for memorizing)

Limbic system - animations



Animation of limbic system within cortex



Labelled limbic system animation - UBC

Cerebellum



•Part of the hindbrain

- •Coordinates motor commands with sensory inputs to control movements
- •Damage results in:
- Ataxia, gate deficits, problems with fine movements, control of rate and range of movement

•Dysarthria

Brodmann's areas





- Korbinian Brodmann (1868 1918)
- Cytoarchitectonic regions

Cerebellar ataxia

Articulation

- imprecise consonant articulation
- distorted vowels (slurred quality)
- imprecise consonants, vowels

Prosody

- equal and excess stress
- prolonged phonemes
- prolonged intervals between phonemes
- monopitch, loudness
- Ssow rate

Phonation: Harsh vocal quality, voice tremor



Video sample of speech



Brainstem



Brainstem position



Sagittal view

(F. Netter)

Peripheral Nervous System



12 Cranial Nerves - memory tools

The HIT SONG from UTSW Cranial Nerve Function!

On Old Olympus Towering TopsA Finn And German Vended AtHops"





Cranial Nerves – Speech



Figure 7-27. Schematic diagram of emergence of cranial nerves most relevant to speech. Motor and sensory functions are summarized.

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Cranial Nerve Lesions (non-speech related)

- I. <u>Olfactory-</u> (Anosmia) loss of sense of smell
- II. Optic- Visual deficits
- III. Occulomotor- inability to turn eyes inward, dilation of pupil
- IV. Trochlear- inability to pull eye down
- VI. <u>Abducens-</u> Eye is rotated inwards as a results of paralysis.
- Diplopia-Inability to fuse images from both eyes

Cranial Nerve Lesion (speech-related)

V. <u>Trigeminal-Increased</u> jaw jerk reflex

• Weakness of jaw, hypernasality, loss of sensation in anterior 2/3 tongue, altered sensation of E. tube, ear canal, tympanic membrane

VII. Facial-Bell's palsy

• Inability to close eyelids, loss of tone of facial muscles, drooling, smiling affected.

Cranial Nerve Lesion (speech-related/ continued)

VIII. <u>Vestibulo-cochlear (auditory)</u>-Hearing loss, disturbances in equilibrium, vertigo and nystagmus in case of head injury

IX. <u>Glossopharyngeal</u> -paralysis of stylopharyngeus muscles and loss of sensation of posterior 1/3 of tongue, absence of gag.

X. <u>Vagus</u> -Loss of gag, hypernasality, swallowing, damage to SLN and RLN branches of vagus affect sensation and function of larynx.

Cranial Nerve Lesion (speech-related/ continued)

XI. <u>Accessory</u> - Affects trapezius and sternocleidomastoid, thus unable to lift arm or turn head respectively. May affect movement of larynx and velum.

XII. <u>Hypoglossus</u> - Profound impact on articulation. Muscular weakness-affecting tongue movements, fasciculation or involuntary twitching, spasticity.


PNS - details

Spinal nerves



Reflex arc

Brain Coverings



Meninges

- Dura matter
- Arachnoid matter
- Pia matter
- Extradural space
- Subdural space
- Subarachnoid space
- Falx cerebelli
- Tentorium cerebelli



Ventricles

Nourishment Of The Brain

20% of blood supply

Plasma

- Red corpuscles
- White corpuscles
- Platelets

Glycogen



Nourishment Of The Brain

Arteries

- Carotid
- Anterior cerebral
- Middle cerebral
- Subclavian
- Vertebral
- Basilar
- Posterior cerebral
- cerebellar



Blood Supply-Continued





Stroke - apoplexy



Circle of Willis

ANGIOGRAM, CONTRAST VIA RADIO-OPAQUE TRACER

Neural pathways to motor control



Afferent And Efferent Neural Pathways

Somatosensory cortex

Motor cortex



Sensory Homunculus





A sensory "Mouseunculus" →





Motor Homunculus

Somatosensory Pathways



Somatosensory Pathways



First order sensory neuron

• -- Dorsal root ganglion

Second-order

• -- Dorsal gray matter

Third-order

-- Thalamus

Primary sensory cortex



Neural Pathway Of Audition

Cochlea

Cochlear nucleus

Superior olivary complex

Lateral lemniscus

Inferior colliculus

Medial geniculate nucleus (thalamus)

Auditory cortex

Auditory Neural Pathway -details



- •<u>CN</u> actually a bundle of 3 nuclei
- •SO binaural interaction; sound localization
- •LL- 6 parallel pathways projecting to IC
- •IC -- biologically- significant sound processing
- •MG -involved in reading disability(?)

Pyramidal System



Receive input from cerebrum, thalamus

Carry efferent messages allowing voluntarily movement (muscles of face, trunk, arms, and legs)

Fibers converge in brainstem, then cross

Fibers visible as triangular, <u>pyramid-like</u> <u>structures</u>, hence the name.

Pathways Of Motor Control

Pyramidal motor system

- Upper motor neuron
- * Lower motor neuron (common pathway)
- Motor unit



Pyramidal Motor System/ Damage



<u>Hyper</u>tonic (spastic) behavior with damage to UMN system

<u>Hypo</u>tonic (flaccid) behavior with damage to LMN ['common pathway'] system

extrapyramidal system



Extrapyramidal system

•In the brainstem

- •All downward traveling fibers NOT inside the pyramids
- •After receiving info from thalamus, regulates repetitive, rhythmical activity (e.g., walking, climbing, hopping, and turning).

•Voluntary or involuntary

•Disorders can result in involuntary, repetitive, rhythmical movements (e.g., tremor or twitching).

EPS –continued/ Flow chart



- Complex!
- Influences motor signals sent to periphery
- Damage can cause characteristic dystonias

• (..next slide)

Extrapyramidal signs and symptoms

Reversible :

- Akinesia (lack of movement, Parkinson-like)
- Dystonic Reaction (muscle spasms of face, neck, back)
- Dyskinesia (Blinking or twitches)
- Akathesia (Inability to sit still)

Irreversible:

- Tardive Dyskinesia
- Hyperkinesia (lingual or facial)
 - Blinking
 - Lip smacking
 - Sucking or chewing
 - Rolls or protrudes <u>Tongue</u>
 - Grimaces
- Choreathetoid extremity movement
 - Clonic jerking fingers, ankles, toes
- Tonic contractions of neck or back



Sensorimotor Regulation

Joint receptors

- Free nerve endings
- Golgi tendon organs
- Muscle spindles
 - intrafusal fibers
 - extrafusal fibers
 - Alpha motor neurons
 - Gamma motor neurons



Corticospinal vs. corticobulbar (corticonuclear)

Neural Control Of Speech



"Traditional model"

- Broca's area
- •Wernicke's area
- •Angular gyrus
- •Supramarginal gyrus
- •Supplementary motor cortex
- •Orofacial motor area

Arcuate Fascisculus



Wernicke's Area

Broca's area

Principles of motor control

Feedback/Feedforward systems

Sensory information used in motor control



Current Biology

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Chap 11 Neuroimaging Methods

STRUCTURAL

Computed Tomography (CT) Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)

FUNCTIONAL

Single photon emission computed tomography (SPECT) Positron emission tomography (PET) Functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) Electroencephalography (EEG) Magnetoencephalography (MEG)







CT Scanner/ Principles

Computed Axial Tomoraphy (CAT or CT)









Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

- Protons are like little magnets
 - Radio Frequency pulse will knock protons at an angle relative to the magnetic field
 - once out of alignment, the protons begin to precess
 - protons gradually realign with field (relaxation)
 - protons "echo" back the radio frequency that originally tipped them over
 - That radio "echo" forms the basis of the MRI image





MRI principles





Positron Emission Tomography






PET imaging - principles

Visual Activation PET (overlaid on MR)



- •Baseline condition: subjects viewed a simple white cross on a black background.
- - •Activation condition: view B&W drawings of animals.

•Red shows the increase of CBF in the associative visual cortex at the occipital part of the brain.

<u>Functional imaging</u>: Single Photon Emission Computed Tomography





SPECT IMAGES – example



Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI)



fMRI BOLD: Rapid Overview

Blood Oxygenation Level Dependent (BOLD) imaging

BOLD = (neural) "Cell poop" ??



fMRI example: sentence comprehension

Sentence comprehension compared to pseudofont baseline in 15 young healthy adults

- A: subject-relative short linkage
- B: subject-relative long linkage
- C: object-relative short linkage
- D: object-relative long linkage



EEG - Electroencephalography

Electrodes, placed on or just under the scalp, are linked to an amplifier connected to a mechanism that converts electrical impulses into recorded images









EEG – continued – electrode cap, forms of data display



Event-Related Potential Technique









MEG

MAGNETOENCEPHALOGRAPY

Basic Principles of MEG



MEG – images

A) Initial resting state MEG scan after mild TBI.
B) Resting state MEG scan 26 months later showing improved connections with time.

(Dr. P. Mukherjee, UCSF, Dept. Radiology)





fNIRS – Functional near-infrared spectroscopy

Measuring speaker–listener neural coupling with functional near infrared spectroscopy

Yichuan Liu, Elise A. Piazza, Erez Simony, Patricia A. Shewokis, Banu Onaral, Uri Hasson & Hasan Ayaz

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Figure 1 : Listener-listener fNIRS inter-subject correlation.

Aphasia

•Literally "not speak" Gk. a phatos

•An acquired <u>language</u> disorder that results from damage to portions of the brain that are responsible for language (-NIH)

Aphasia: Causes

Stroke

Head injury

Tumors

Degenerative conditions (e.g. Alzheimer's)

Aphasia: Traditional Distinction



Broca's: Non-fluent speech; function words and morphemes omitted; comprehension ok.

Wernicke's: Fluent speech, but filled with non-sense or filler words; comprehension impaired.

APHASIA SYNDROMES

	FLUENCY	COMPREHENSION	REPETITION	NAMING
NON-FLUEN	IT			
Broca's	poor	good	poor	poor
Global	poor	poor	poor	poor
FLUENT				
Wernicke's	good	poor	poor	poor
Conduction	good	good	poor	good



CLINICIAN: "Can you tell me what happened to you?"

NON-FLUENT BROCA'S APHASIC:

"Alright.... Uh... stroke and uh....I Huh tawanna guy.... h...h...hot tub and.... And thetwo days when un...hos...uh...huh hos-pital and uh...amet....am.... ambulance."

FLUENT WERNICKE'S (jargon) APHASIC:

"It just suddenly had a feffort and all the feffort had gone with it. It even stepped my horn. They took them from earth you know. They make my favorite nine to severed and now I'm a been habed by the Uh.... stam of fortment of my annulment which is now forever."

Broca's

Speech: Nonfluent, halting, agrammatic

Comprehension: Good, but difficulty with semantically difficult materials (e.g., reversible passives)

Basic Idea: Damage to areas in which speech motor programming takes place

Wernicke's

Speech: Fluent and well-articulated; but semantically impoverished. Contains many non-words, or filler words

Comprehension: Poor

Basic Idea: Damage to areas in which words are stored, or in which the phonological forms of words are associated with meanings.

Conduction Aphasia



Lesion: Affects areas connecting Wernicke's and Broca's areas (?)

- Supramarginal gyrus

Also arcuate fasciculus, which is underneath

Conduction - continued

Speech: Relatively unimpaired; but many speech errors, or non-words are used. Also defective naming ability

Comprehension: Also good, but unlike Wernicke's repetition is difficult

Idea: Network that builds meaningful units out of speech sounds is disabled

Global Aphasia

Lesion: Covers entire system of language areas in the dominant hemisphere (left perisylvian cortex)

Abilities: Almost total inability to produce or comprehend speech.

Idea: Combines features of Broca's and Wernicke's aphasias