

connect **BRAIN** Vol. II

Theoretical and practical course on clinical and surgical applications
of structural and functional connectivity



TOPICS

Theoretical Session

Brain processing and functional organization - Principles of tractography, fMRI and resting-state fMRI - Awake surgery - Intra-operative neurophysiological monitoring - Neuropsychology and clinical applications - Epilepsy surgery

Practical Session

Structural and functional anatomy of the human white matter - Virtual human white matter dissection with tractography - Non-invasive brain mapping with resting-state fMRI

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Course Introduction

Over the last 15 years the knowledge about the brain functional organization experienced new energy and remarkable advancements, as effect of technical and conceptual improvements that lead us in the connectome era. The comprehension of this intricate anatomo-functional maze and the application of the new concepts about the connectome organization to the clinico-surgical practice, are two crucial steps to tailor and improve surgical and non-surgical treatments of brain diseases. In this light, invasive and non-invasive brain mapping techniques are complementary, and not alternative, tools to explore functional organization and neural plasticity.

As never before, the integration between techniques and concepts coming from basic and clinical neurosciences should be strictly integrated to improve, reciprocally, competences and knowledges.

Based on the experience of the previous edition on 2015 we designed the Connect-Brain Volume II, a theorico-practical course providing an updated overview about tools and concepts coming from neuroscientific research, and the most reliable mapping and monitoring techniques used in brain surgery.

Aims of the theoretical session are to provide:

- a detailed and complete overview about the recent models of organization of brain functions and the structural and functional connectivity of the main networks;
- theoretical and practical principles for the clinical application of neuroimaging (fMRI, resting-state fMRI, tractography), neuropsychological (pre-operative assessment, intraoperative tasks, follow-up) and neurophysiological (cortical and subcortical mapping and monitoring) techniques;
- open discussions with different experts about use, experiences and reliability of the main tools for brain anatomo-functional mapping and monitoring during brain surgery.

Aims of the practical session are to provide the general principles of:

- human white matter anatomy;
- tractography elaboration and tracking;
- non-invasive brain mapping with RS-fMRI.

We imagined an international opportunity for facing off clinical practice and basic neurosciences, in order to improve our skills in the exploration of the brain functional processing for medical purposes.

We hope you will share this belief and to meet you in Trento in June 2019.

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Thursday June 20th, 2019

Congress Venue for Theoretical Session

Sala Stringa - FBK

Via Sommarive, 18
Povo Trento

13:00 Registration and welcome drink

13:30 Authorities welcome

14:15 Course Introduction: Silvio Sarubbo and Franco Chioffi (Division of Neurosurgery, "Santa Chiara" Hospital, Trento APSS)

SESSION I

Exploration of brain structures and functions – Principles

Chairmen: Bruno Giometto, Laurent Petit

14:30 *Principles of RS-fMRI for human brain mapping*
Bernard Mazoyer (GIN, University of Bordeaux)

14:50 *Techniques and limitations in tractography*
Maxime Descoteaux (University of Sherbrooke)

15:10 *How to track the brain: tools*
Paolo Avesani (NiLab, FBK)

15:30 Discussion and Questions

16:00 Coffee break

SESSION II

Exploration of brain structures and functions – Tools

Chairmen: Alessandro Olivi, Alessandro De Benedictis

16:30 *The human brain pathways by tractography*
Laurent Petit (GIN, University of Bordeaux)

16:50 *Extracting brain networks by rs-fMRI*
Jorge Jovicich (CiMeC, University of Trento)

17:10 *Neurophysiology tools for neurosurgery*
Francesco Sala (University of Verona)

17:30 Discussion and Questions

18:00 **Lecture** (introduced by Ernesto Gastaldo, Ospedale dell'Angelo Mestre-Venice)
Variability in hemispheric specialization for cognitive processing
Bernard Mazoyer (GIN, University of Bordeaux)

18:30 Remarks and Closure

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SESSION III

Brain mapping for surgery

Chairmen: Alessandro Ducati, Silvio Sarubbo

09:00 Lecture

Awake surgery for brain gliomas: cognition through the anatomy

Hugues Duffau (University of Montpellier)

09:40 Pre-surgical mapping with fMRI and rs-fMRI

Natalie Voets (Oxford University)

10:00 Language and motor mapping: intra-operative techniques

Rocco Quatralo (Ospedale dell'Angelo, Mestre-Venice)

10:20 Discussion

10:30 Coffee break

SESSION IV

Principles of functional anatomy of the human brain

Chairmen: Domenico D'Avella, Franco Guida

11:00 Language networks: anatomy and functions

Alessandro De Benedictis (Bambino Gesù Pediatric Hospital, Rome)

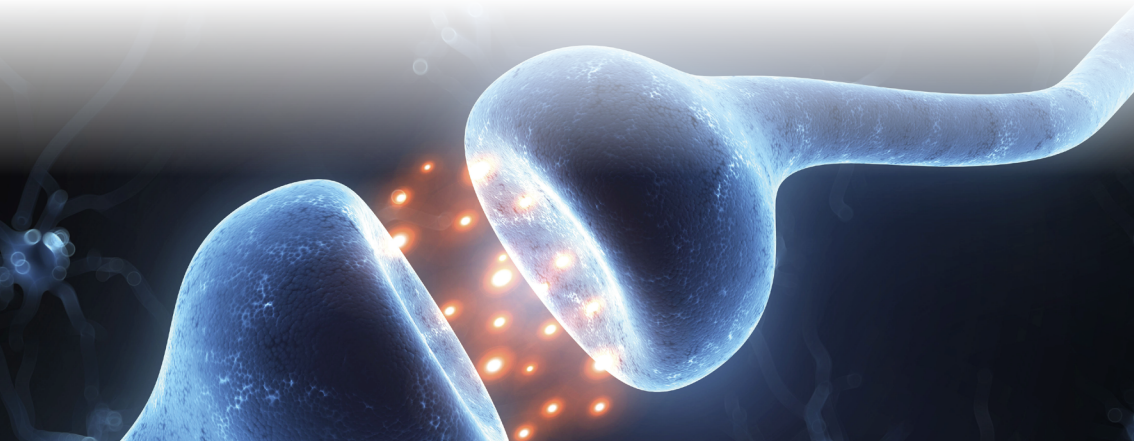
11:20 Motor networks: physiology and surgical mapping

Lorenzo Bello (University of Milan)

11:40 Insula and temporal stem anatomy

Emmanuel Mandonnet (Lariboisière University-Hospital, Paris)

12:00 Discussion and Questions



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SESSION V

Surgical Techniques

Chairmen: Marco Cenzato, Rocco Quatralè

- 12:20 *Insular tumors: techniques and pitfalls*
Miran Skrap ("S. Maria della Misericordia" Hospital, Udine)
- 12:40 *Awake surgery for unruptured cerebral aneurysms*
Franco Chioffi, ("S. Chiara" Hospital, APSS Trento)
- 13:00 Discussion and Questions
- 13:30 Lunch

SESSION VI

Neuropsychology

Chairmen: Flavio Angileri, Andreas Schwarz

- 15:00 Extensive neuropsychological monitoring for resection of brain gliomas
Tamara Ius ("S. Maria della Misericordia" Hospital, Udine)
- 15:20 Cognitive rehabilitation: techniques and tools
Lorella Battelli (Italian Institute of Technology, Trento)
- 15:40 Discussion and Questions
- 16:00 Coffee break

SESSION VII

Epilepsy Surgery

Chairman: Marco Farneti, Alberto Morini

- 16:30 *Disconnection approaches in epilepsy surgery*
Carlo Marras (Bambino Gesù Children Hospital, Rome)
- 16:50 *Imaging post-processing in epilepsy surgery*
Michele Rizzi, Francesco Cardinale ("C. Munari" Epilepsy Surgery Center, Milan)
- 17:10 Discussion and Questions
- 17:30 **Lecture** (introduced by Franco Chioffi, APSS Trento)
Brain Mapping, extent of resection and new trends in neuro-oncological surgery
Mitchell Berger (University of California, San Francisco)
- 18:40 Closure and Certificates

Practical Session

Tractography dissection and resting-state fMRI Mapping

Saturday June 22nd, 2019

Congress Venue for Practical Session

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Povo Trento

Tutors for virtual dissection:

Silvio Sarubbo, Laurent Petit, Alessandro De Benedictis, Paolo Avesani, Emanuele Olivetti

Tutors for rs-fMRI networks extraction:

Jorge Jovicich, Natalie Voets, Luciano Annicchiarico, Luca Zigiotta, Francesco Corsini

Introduction

09:00 *General principles of white matter tracking*

Laurent Petit (GIN, University of Bordeaux) and Silvio Sarubbo ("S. Chiara" Hospital, APSS Trento)

09:15 *RS-fMRI: practical notions*

Natalie Voets (Oxford University) and Jorge Jovicich (CiMeC, University of Trento)

SESSION I

09:30 Pyramidal tract and motor network

11:00 Coffee break

11:20 Visual and spatial-perception: pathways and networks

13:00 Lunch

SESSION II

14:00 Language pathways and language network (part 1)

16:00 Coffee break

16:20 Language pathways and language network (part 2)

18:00 Closure and Certificates

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