

Laminar profiles of attentional and cross-modal influences in sensory cortices

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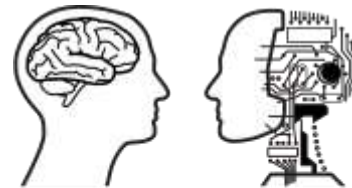
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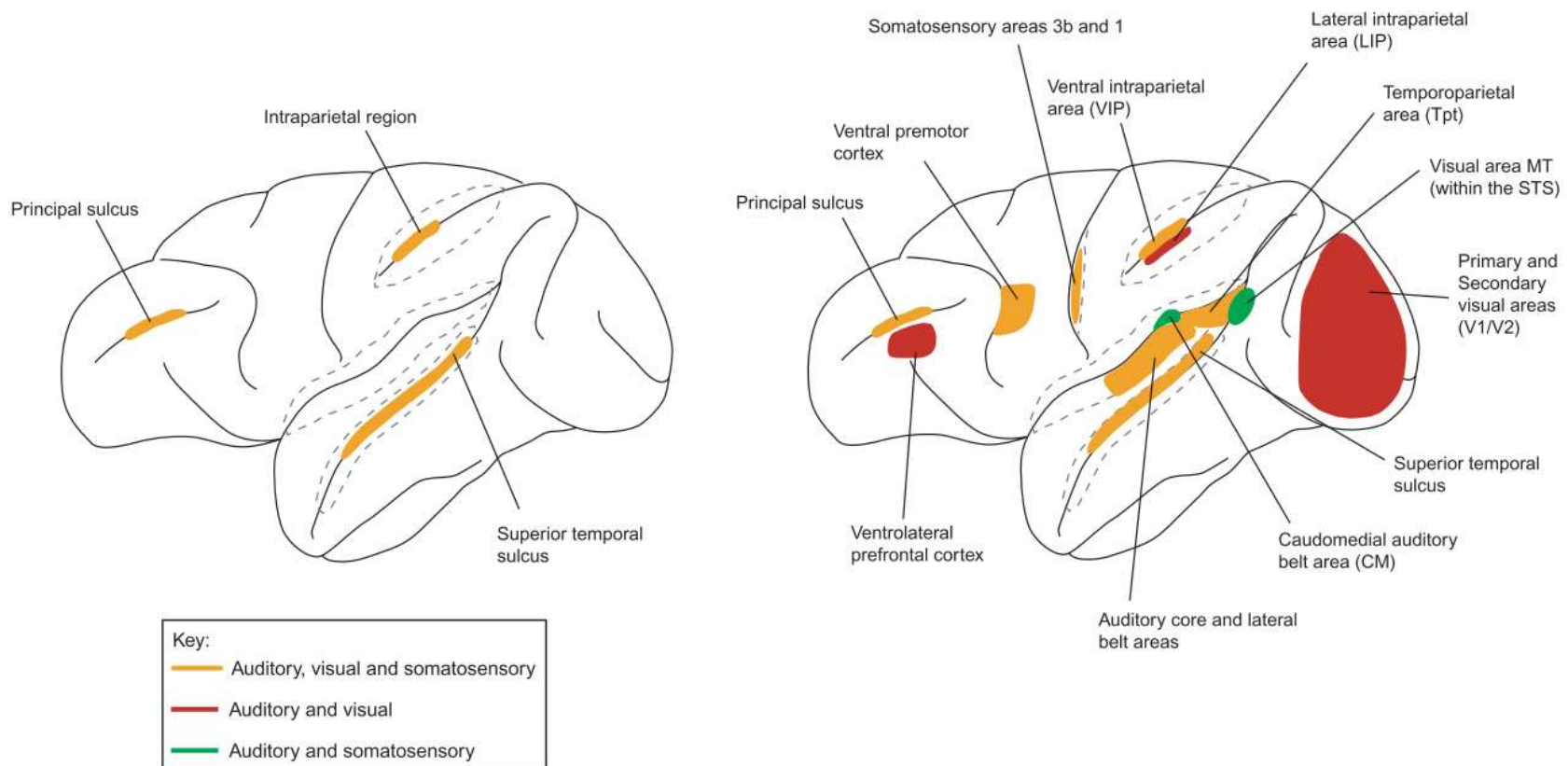
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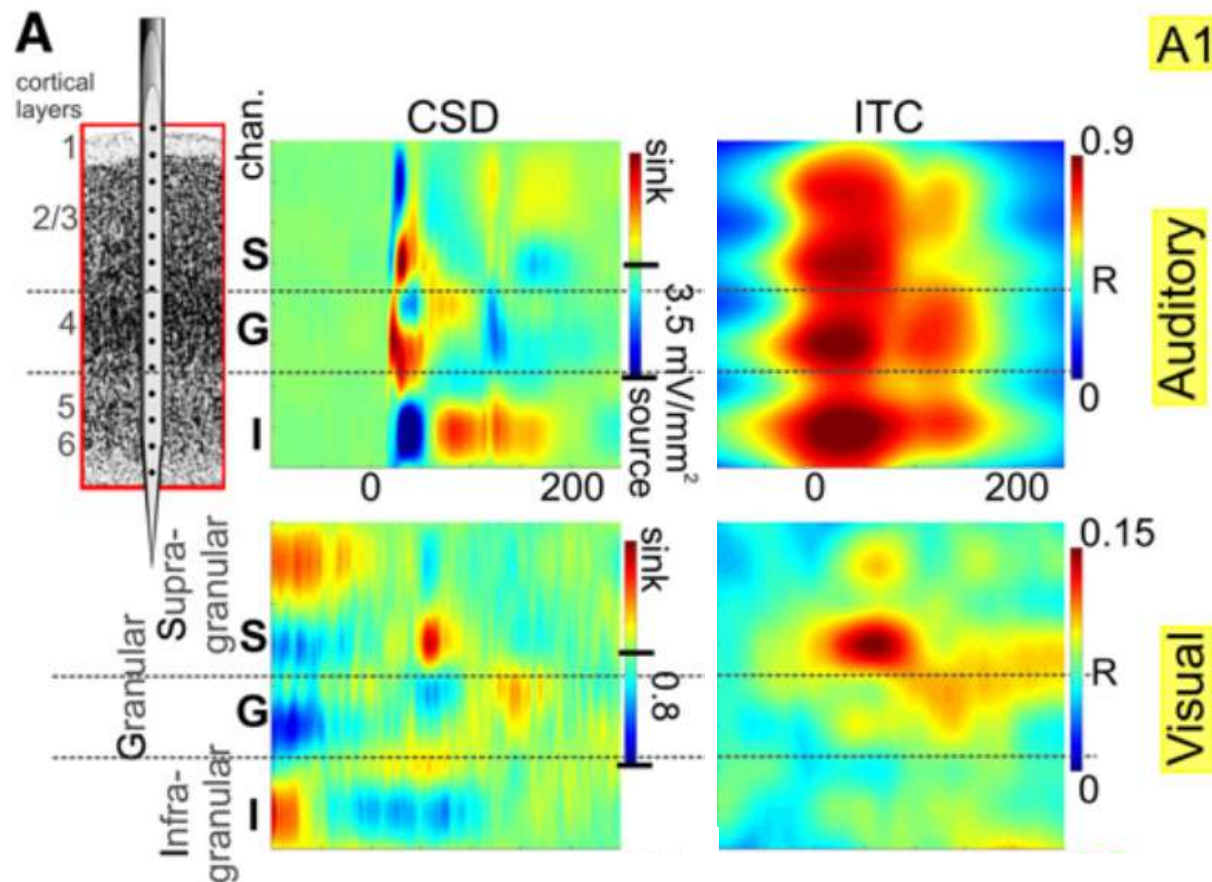
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Crossmodal effects in SC



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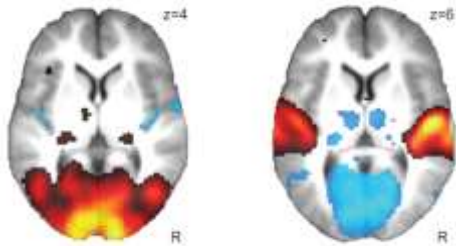
Laminar electrophysiology: CSD and phase resetting



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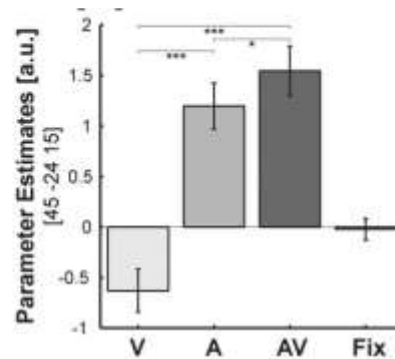
Uni-sensory

crossmodal deactivations

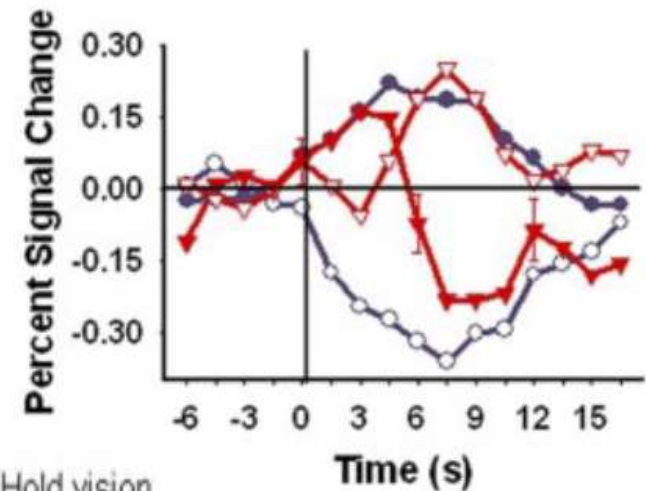
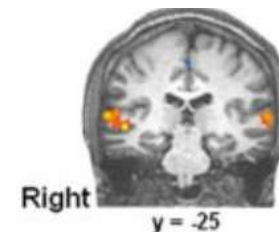


Multisensory

crossmodal enhancement



Attention



- Hold vision
- Hold audition
- △ Shift vision to audition
- ▼ Shift audition to vision

Leitao et al.,
Cerebral Cortex (2012)

Werner & Noppeney,
J Neurosci (2010)

Shomstein & Yantis,
J Neurosci (2004)

Aim

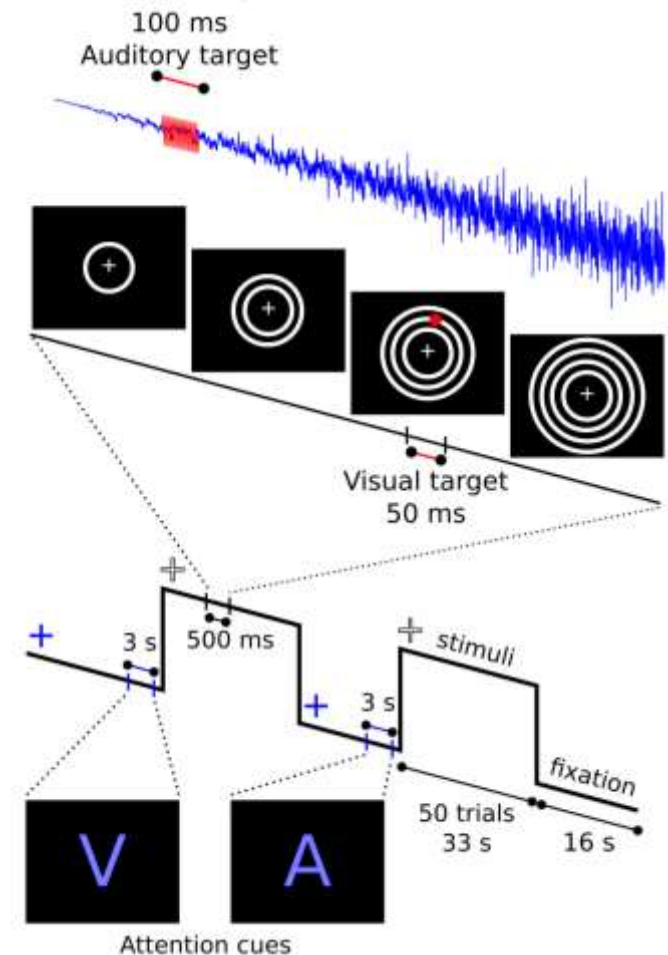
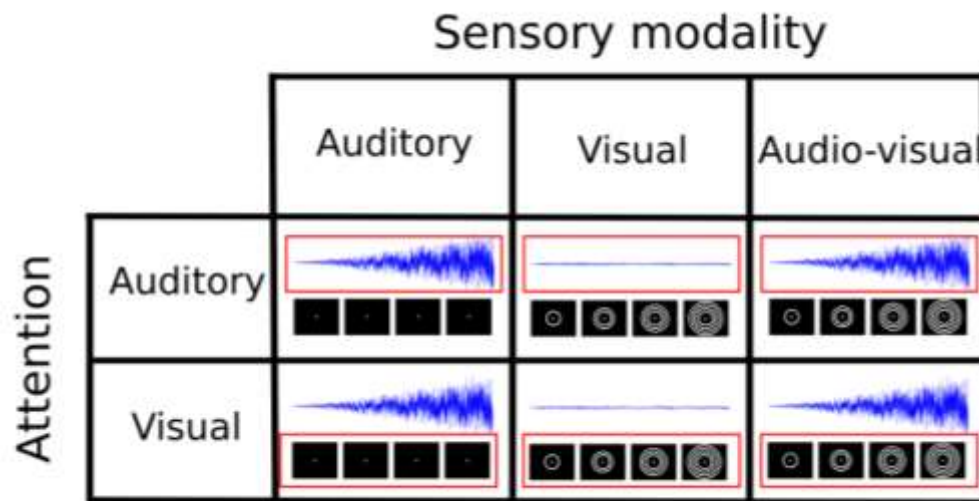
- Crossmodal deactivation and modulation
- Attentional modulation

Do they have different laminar BOLD profiles?

Distinct laminar profiles could imply differing neural mechanisms.

Methods - Design

- 2 X 3 Factorial design
- Modality specific attention modulation
- 11 subjects



Methods - MRI

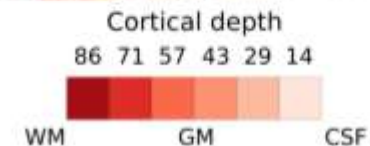
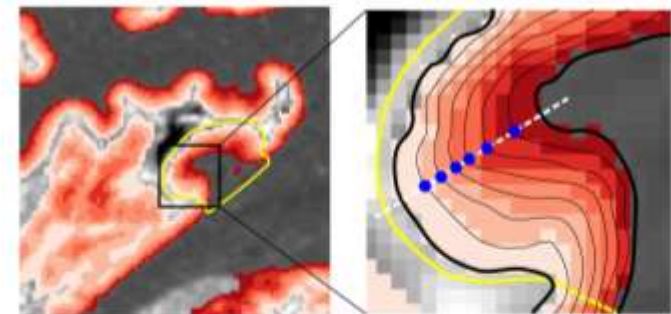
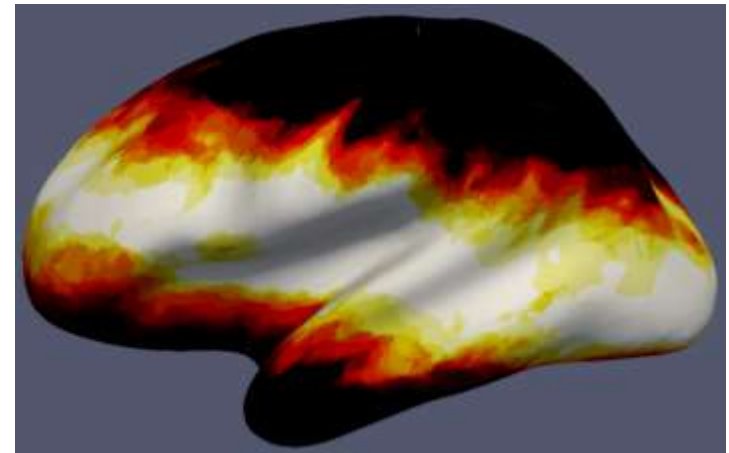
Anatomical: MP2RAGE - $(0.7 \text{ mm})^3$

Functional: GE – EPI $(.75 \text{ mm})^3$

- axial coverage of 3.6 cm
- TR/TE: 3000/25 ms
- GRAPPA/iPAT=4
- partial Fourier: 6/8

Layer definitions:

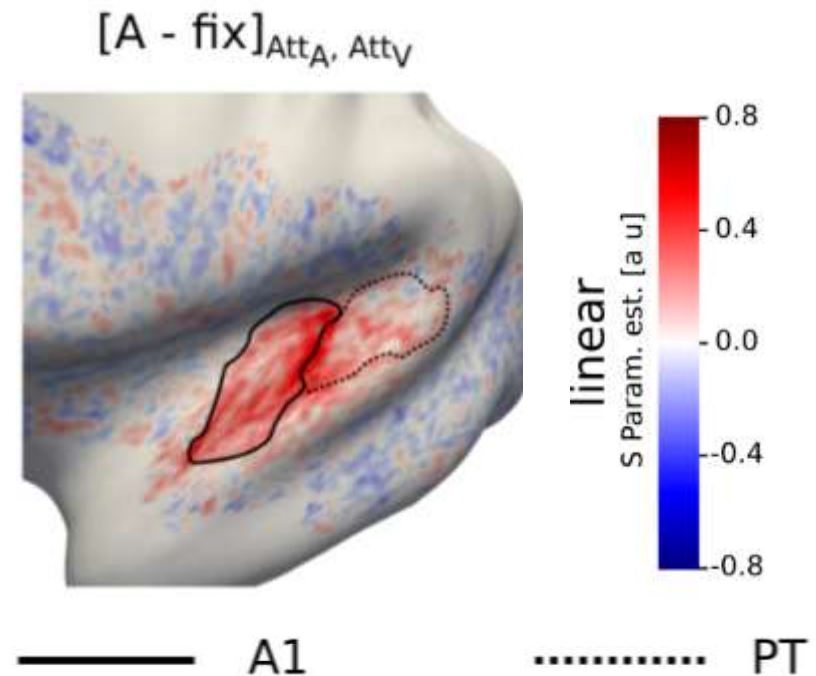
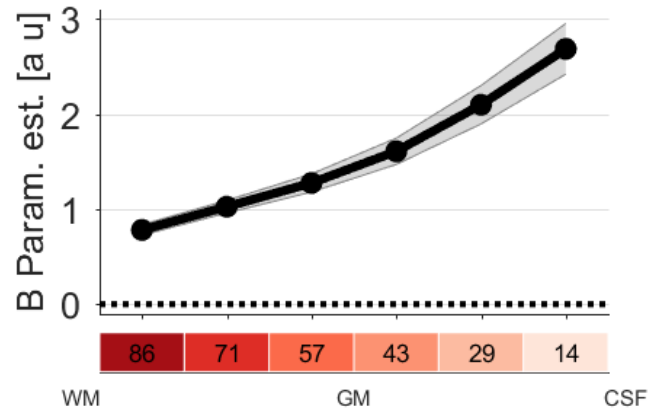
- CBS tools
- equivolume
- 6 intra-cortical surfaces



Methods – Laminar GLM

Characterise shape of :

- BOLD profile,
- decoding accuracy profile,

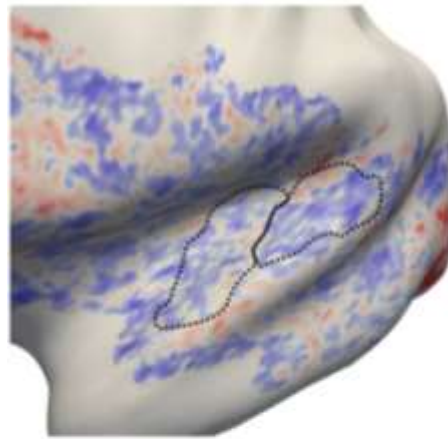
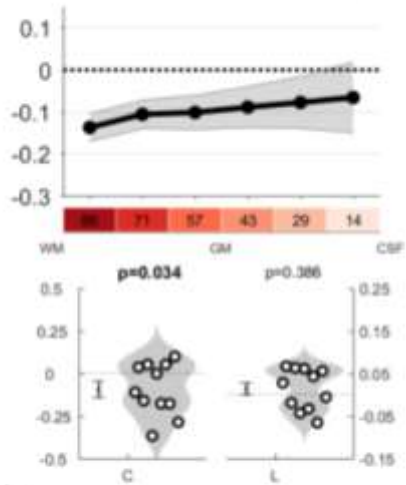


with a constant and linear term.

Auditory cortices – Deactivations

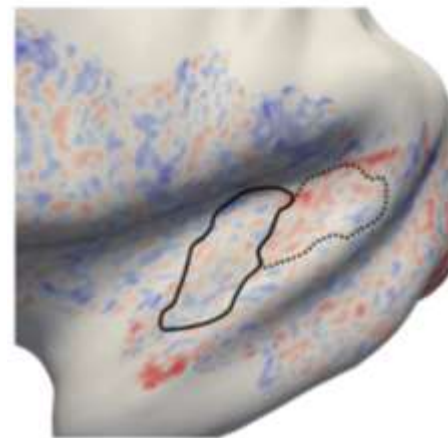
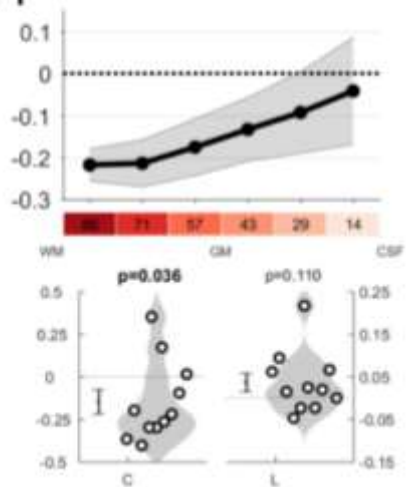
A1

$[V - fix]_{Att_A, Att_V}$



- Constant profile
- Max magnitude in deep layers

PT

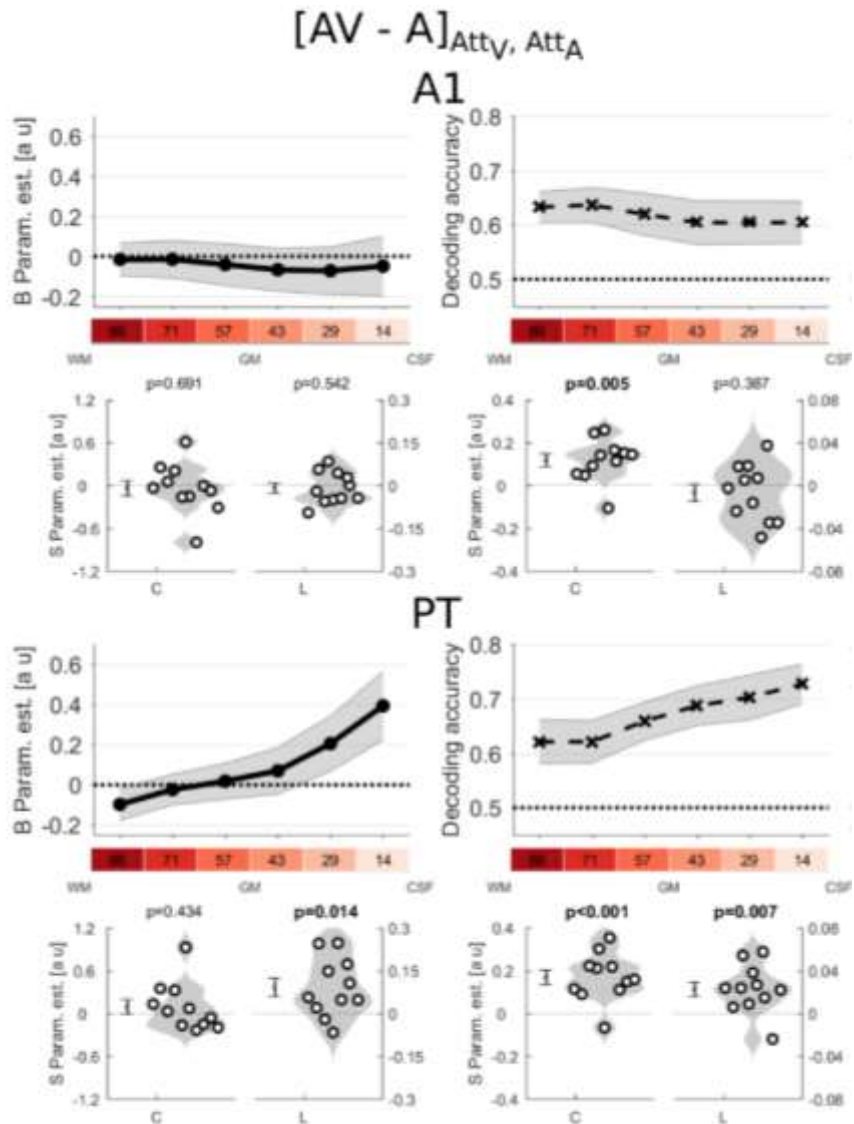


- Patchy organization

A1

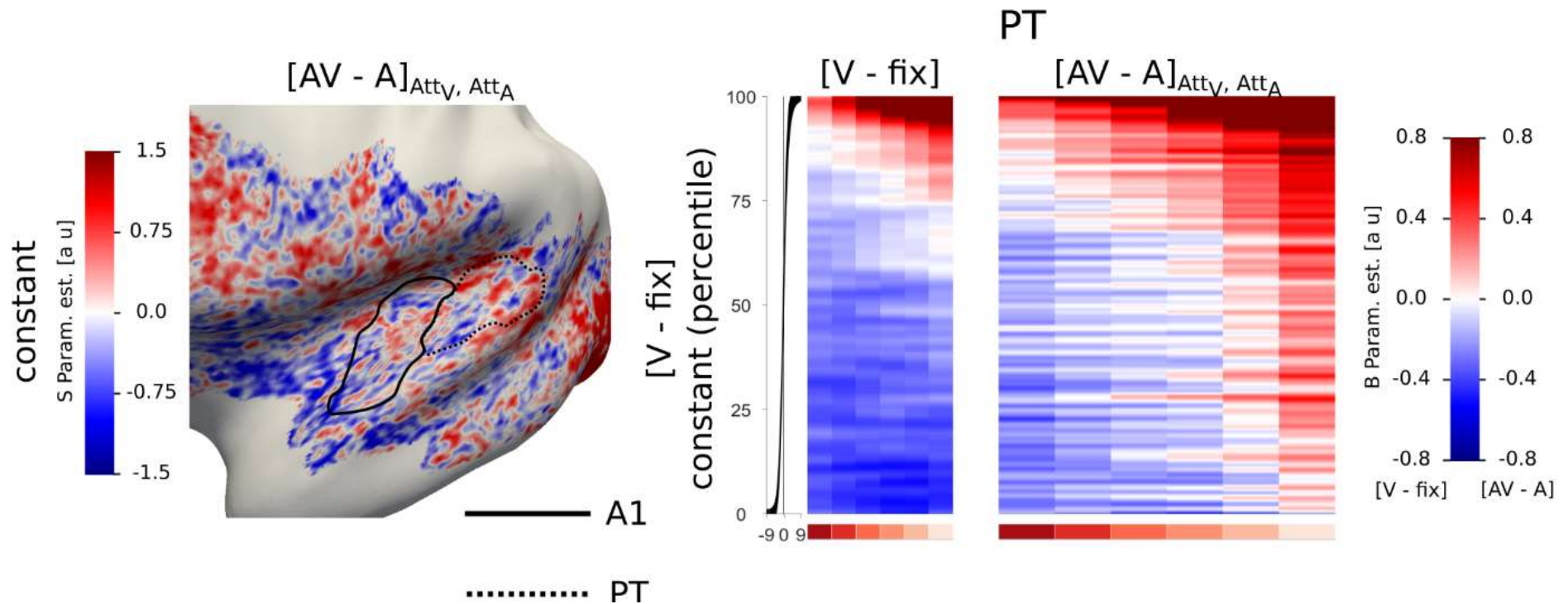
PT

Auditory cortices – Crossmodal



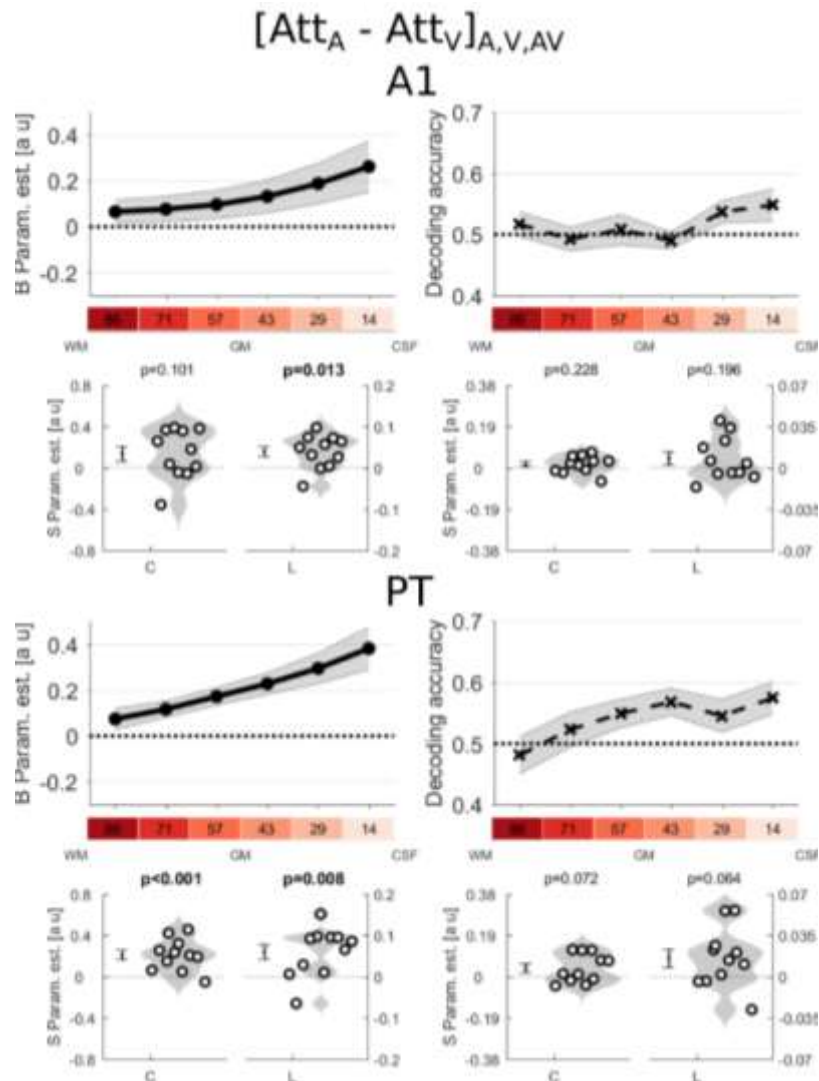
- PT: maximum audio-visual enhancement at surface
- MVPA: Pattern change

Auditory cortices – Crossmodal



- The profile of the crossmodal modulation is predicted by that of the visual stimulus.
- The topography of the multisensory amplification induced by visual stimuli is similar to the topography of unisensory deactivations.

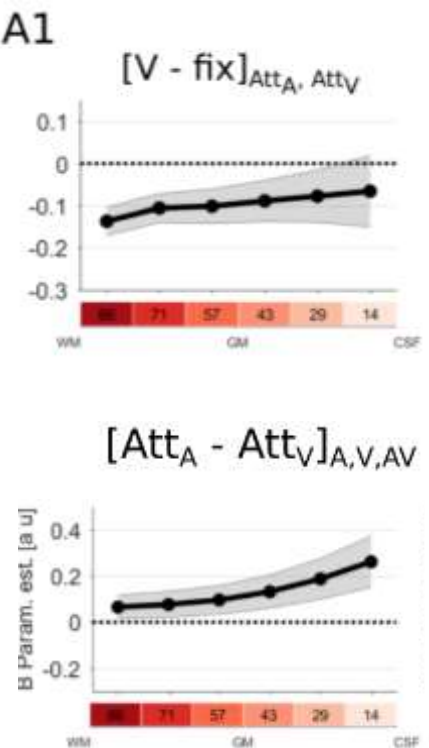
Auditory cortices – Attention



- Maximum BOLD at the surface
- MVPA: no pattern change

Summary -- I

- Visual induced deactivations and modulations:
 - constant or greatest in deeper laminae
 - similar topography
- Attention modulation:
 - largest at cortical surface

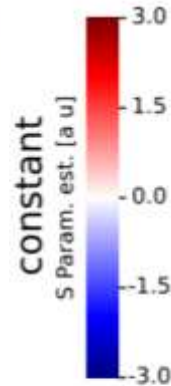
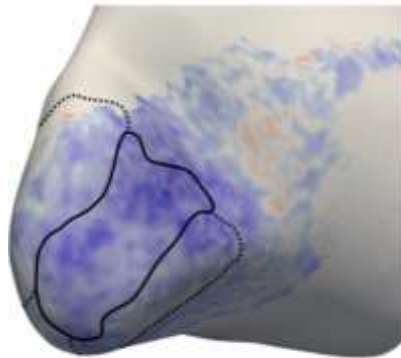
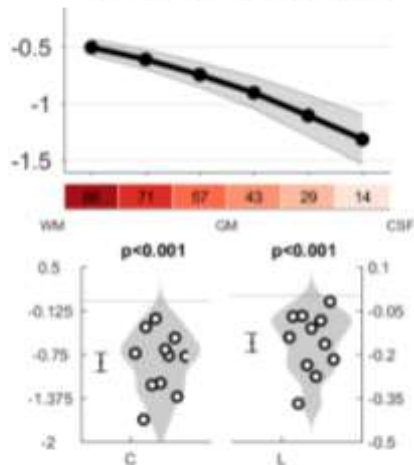


Distinct laminar profiles and topography suggest partly distinct mechanisms for attention and crossmodal influences.

Visual cortices – Deactivations

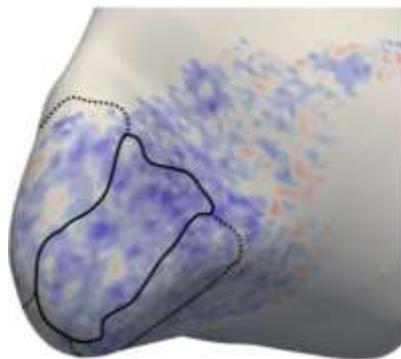
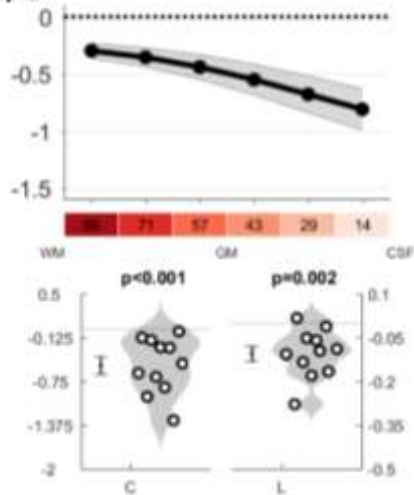
V1

$[A - fix]_{Att_A, Att_V}$



- Maximum at the surface

V2/3



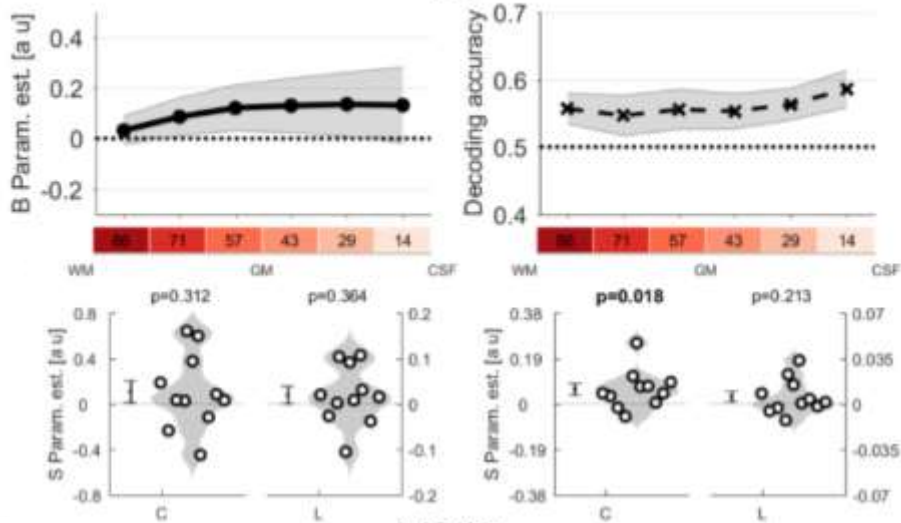
- Homogeneous topography

— V1 V2/3

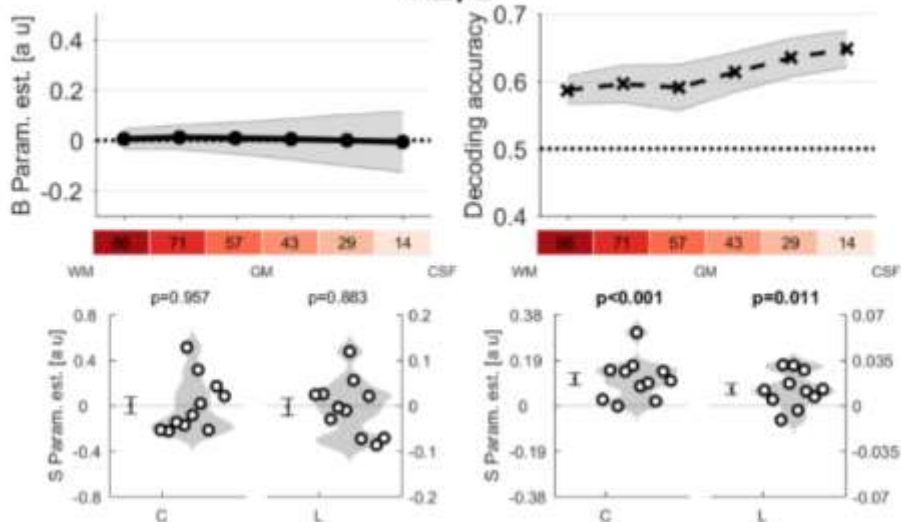
Visual cortices – Attention

$[Att_V - Att_A]_{A,V,AV}$

V1

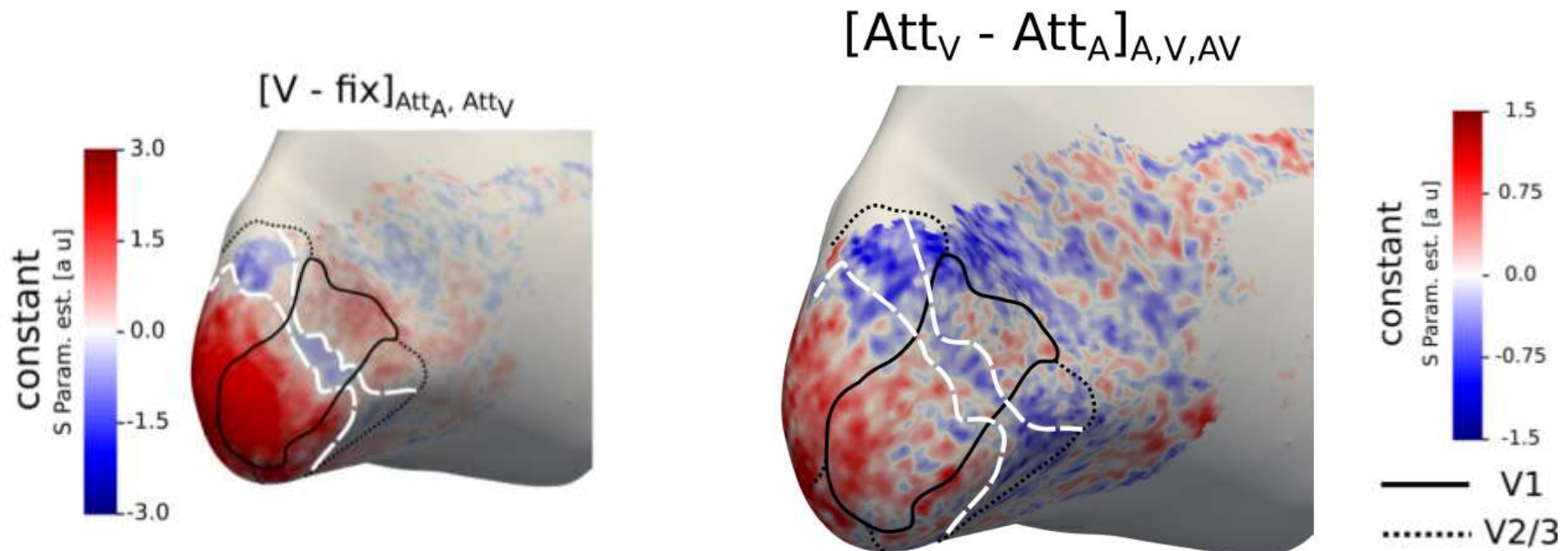


V2/3

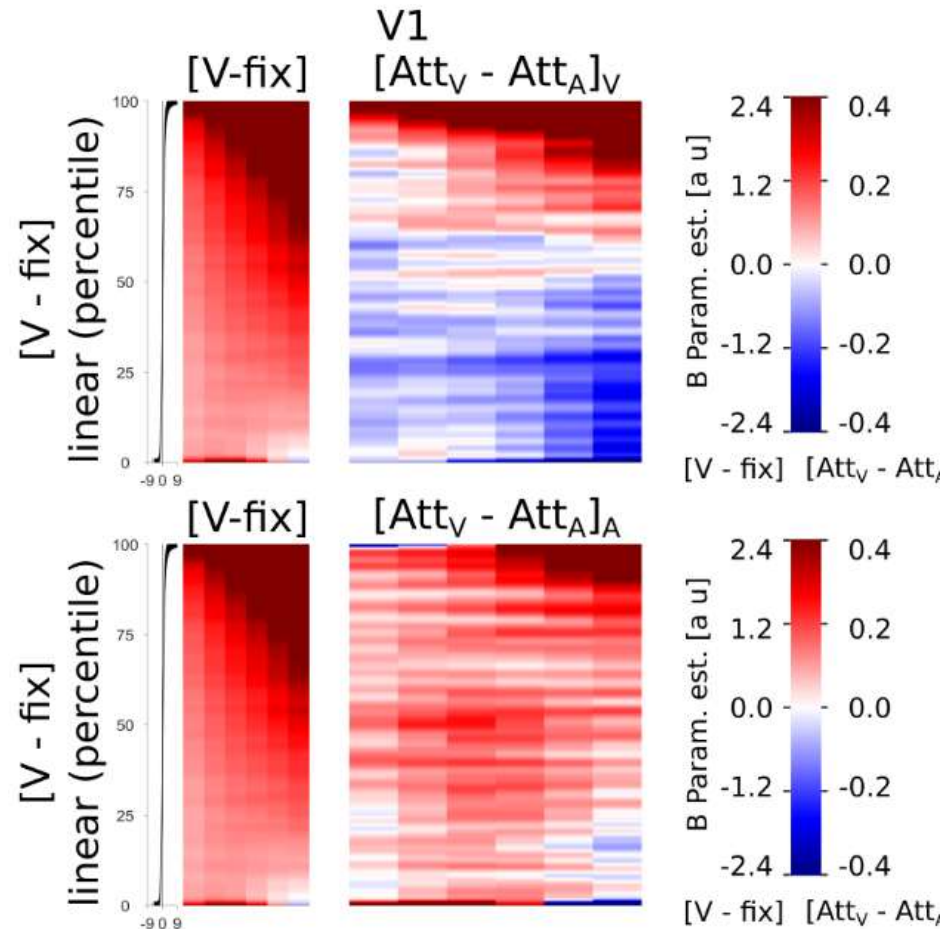


- No effects on BOLD profile
- Change in activation pattern

Visual cortices – Attention



Visual cortices – Attention

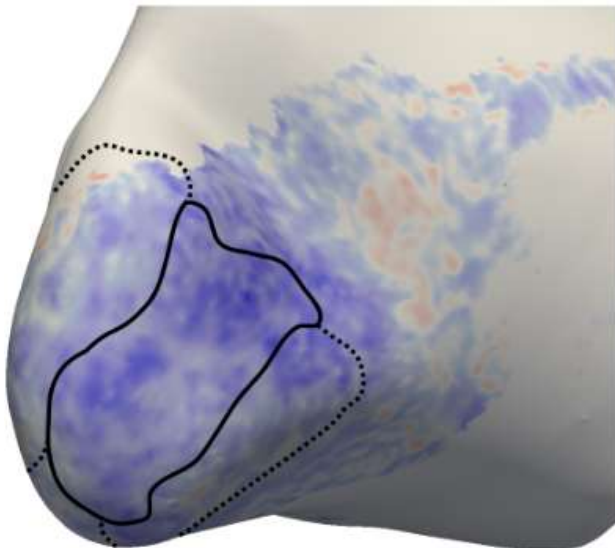


The way attention enhances the activations of a stimulus could be predicted by the profile response to visual stimuli alone.

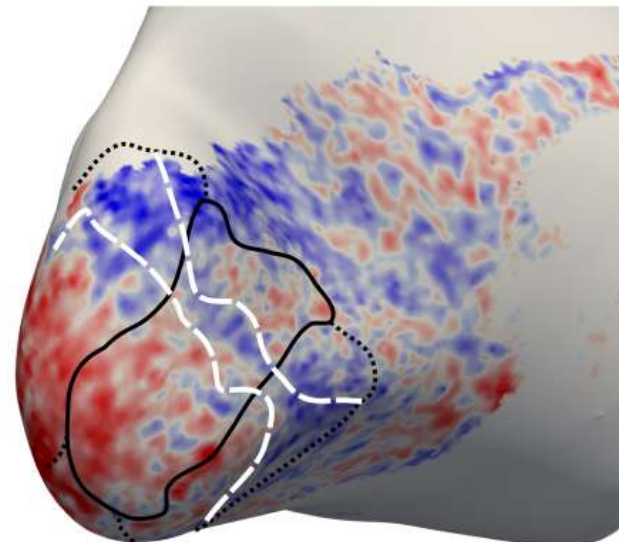
Summary -- II

Auditory induced deactivations and attentional modulations emerge with different laminar profile topographies.

$[A - \text{fix}]_{\text{Att}_A, \text{Att}_V}$



$[\text{Att}_V - \text{Att}_A]_{A,V,AV}$



Summary -- II

How is sensory processing regulated by inter-sensory competition and attentional control ?

Auditory cortices

Different profiles

Visual cortices

Different topographies

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