

Beyond the Symptom: The Biology of Fatigue September 27 – 28, 2021

Neural and fluid dynamics of sleep

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Multiple forms and origins of fatigue

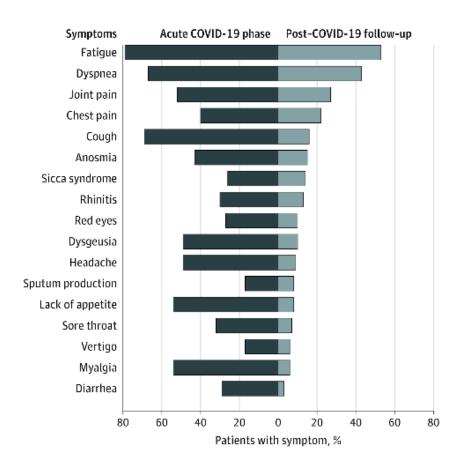
Sleep deprivation Multiple sclerosis Chronic fatigue

Depression

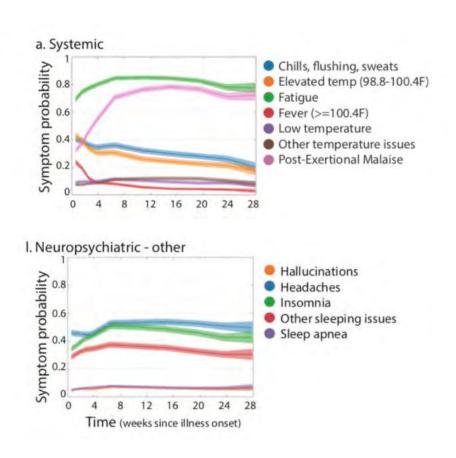
Stroke

In addition to many other conditions

Persistent fatigue in Long COVID



Carfi et al., JAMA. 2020



Davis et al., medRxiv, 2021

Sleep in individuals with fatigue

 Fatigue can result from sleep disturbances

 Patients with fatigue can have disturbed sleep or may spend as much or more time asleep as is typical (Mariman et al., 2013)



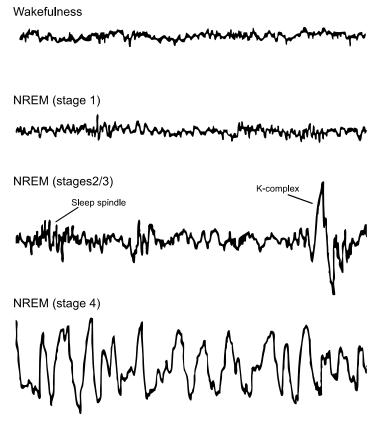
Cognitive



Cognitive

Electrophysiological

Human EEG in NREM:

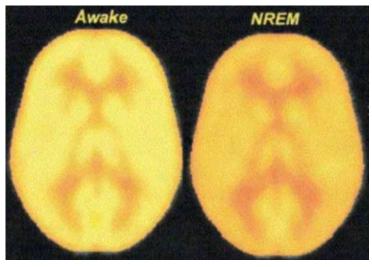


Brown et al., Physiol Rev, 2012

Cognitive

Electrophysiological

Metabolic

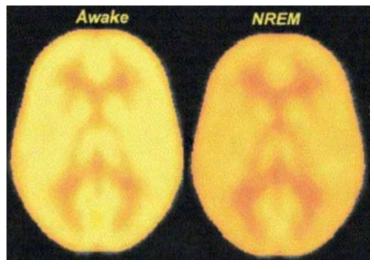


Buchsbaum et al., 2001

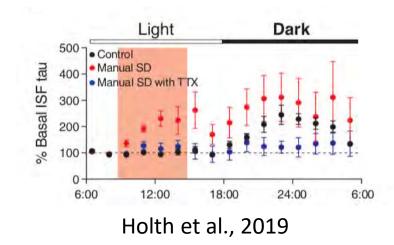
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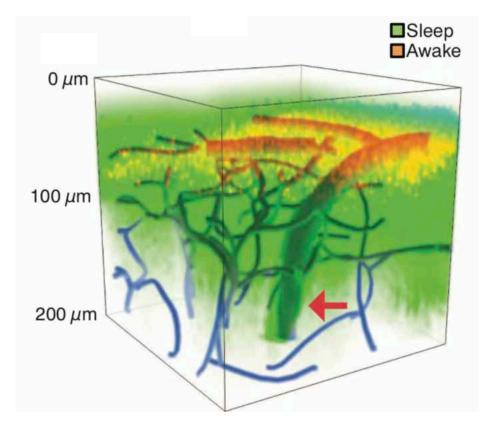
and body

Cognitive

Electrophysiological

Metabolic

Waste clearance



Xie et al., 2013

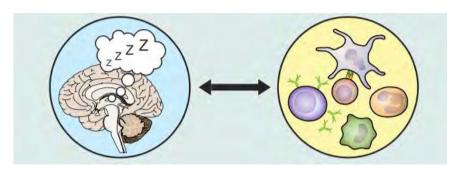
Cognitive

Electrophysiological

Metabolic

Waste clearance

Immune/inflammatory



Besedvosky et al., 2017

What neurobiological factors could cause arousal dysregulation?

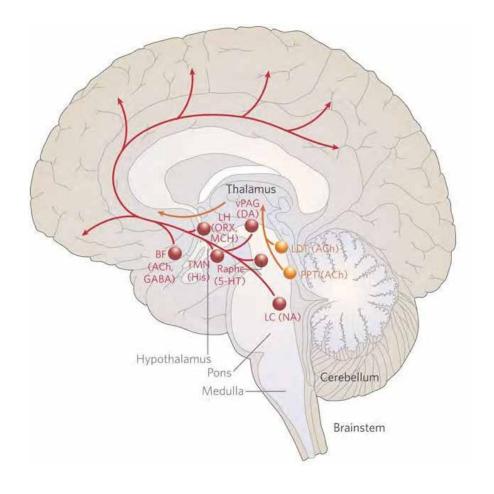
Is sleep less restorative?

Are arousal regulatory circuits disordered?

• Is waste removal impaired?

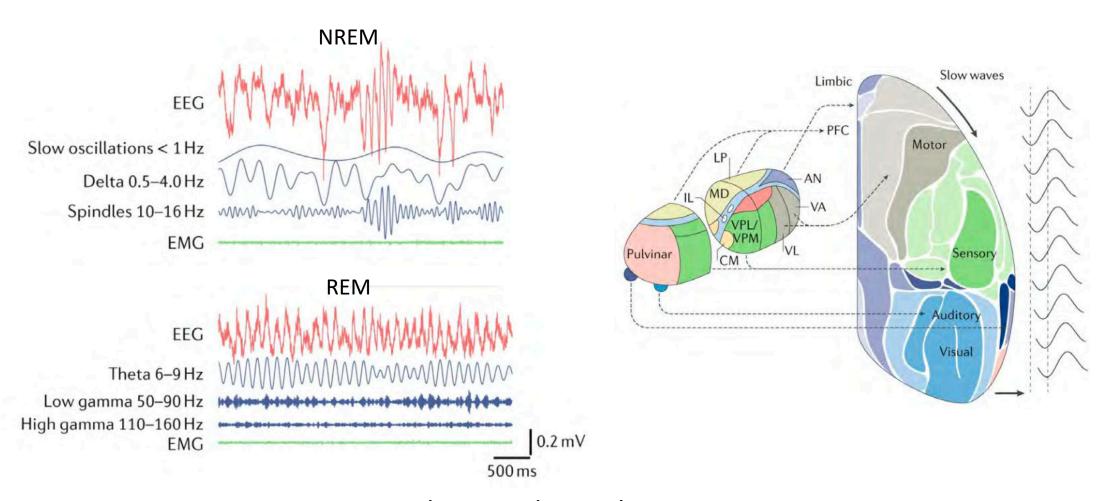
Is there a widespread dysregulation of neural activity/inflammation?

Subcortical circuits regulate arousal state



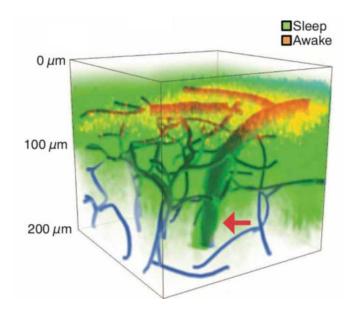
Saper et al., 2005

Sleep-defining EEG rhythms reflect thalamocortical oscillations

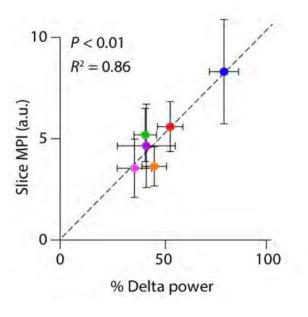


Adamantidis et al., 2019

Heightened clearance during states with neural slow wave activity

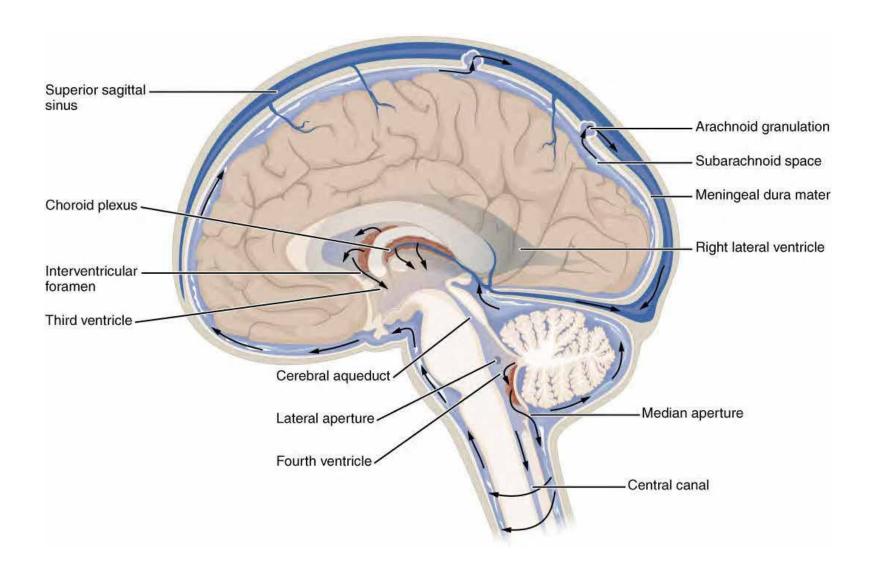


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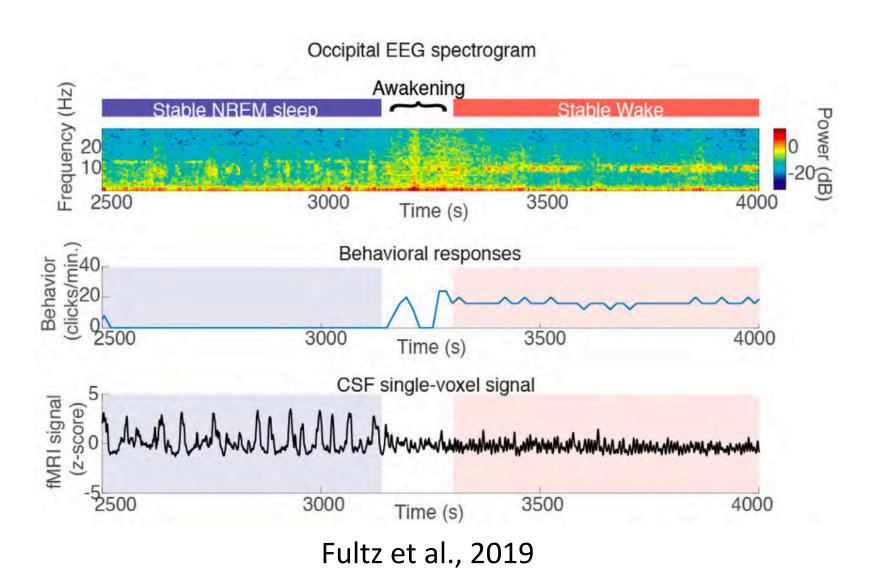


Hablitz et al. *Science Advances*, 2019

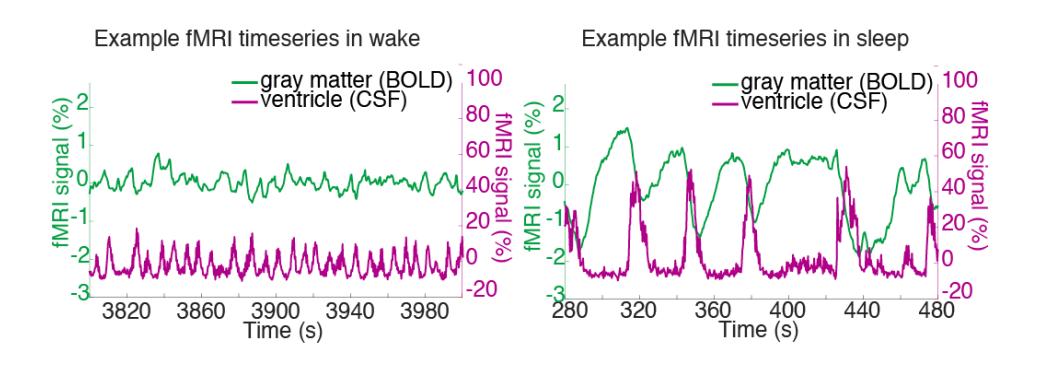
Cerebrospinal fluid flow in sleep



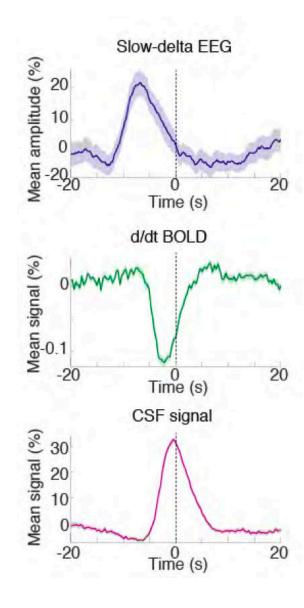
CSF flow waves appear during sleep



Cerebrospinal fluid flow is coupled to hemodynamic waves during sleep



CSF waves are coupled to neural slow waves



Coupled hemodynamic and CSF flow waves during sleep



Multiple points of vulnerability in sleep

- Sleep loss or fragmentation could impair restorative effects of sleep
- The neural, metabolic, and fluid consequences of sleep are coupled
- Sleep with disrupted neural, glial, vascular, or fluid dynamics may have distinct outcomes for CSF and clearance
- Direct impairment of arousal regulatory circuits as a parallel pathway
- Sleep serves multiple functions and affect multiple components of brain physiology

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