

Beyond the Symptom: The Biology of Fatigue

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INFLAMMATION EFFECTS ON THE BRAIN AND BEHAVIOR: RELEVANCE TO FATIGUE

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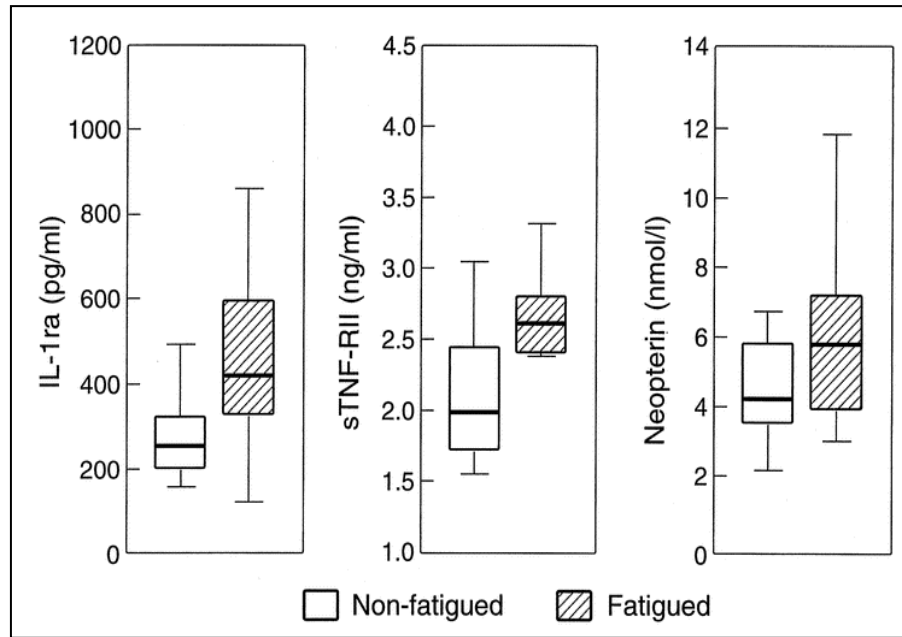
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Inflammation is Associated with Fatigue

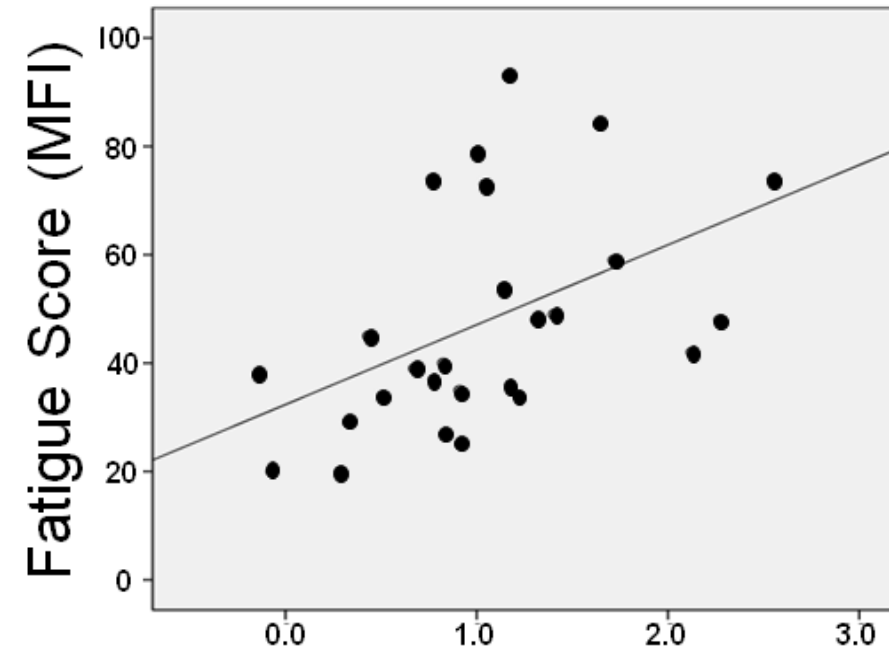
Fatigue and IL-1ra and sTNFR-II



Breast Cancer Survivors

Bower et al. *Psychosomatic Medicine*, 64(4):604-11, 2002

Fatigue and IL-6

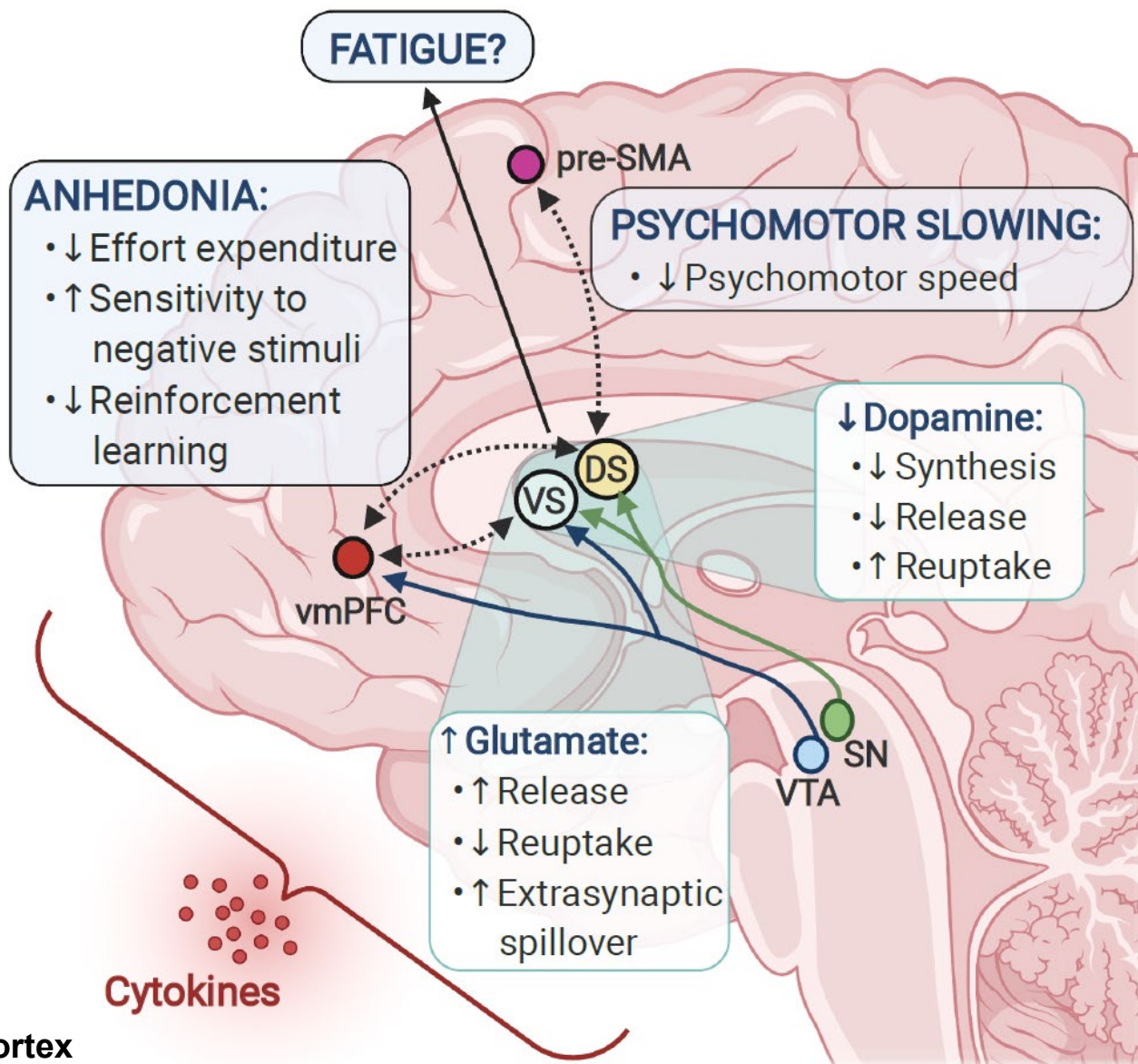


Breast Cancer During Treatment

Torres et al., *Cancer*, 119:1951, 2013

Also seen in multiple other patient populations

Inflammation Effects on Neurotransmitters and Neurocircuits in the Brain Related to Behavior



SMA - supplementary motor area
SN - substantia nigra
VTA - ventral tegmental area

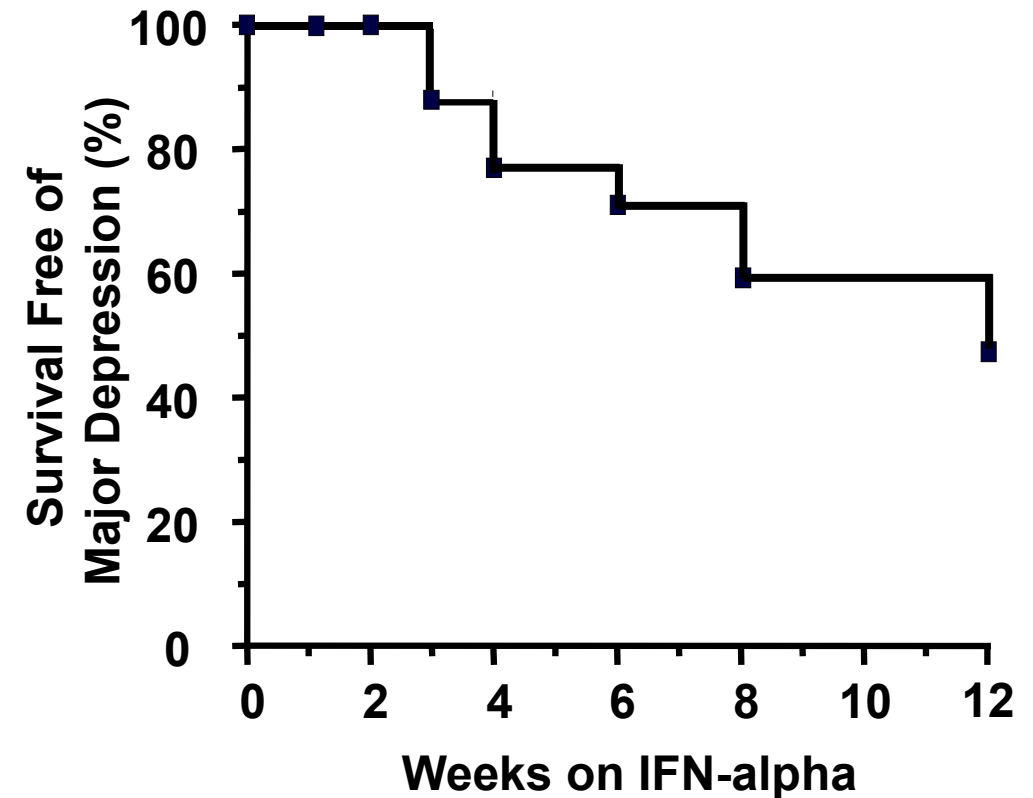
VS - ventral striatum
DS - dorsal striatum
vmPFC - ventromedial prefrontal cortex

Overview of Talk

- **Regional Brain Activity**
 - IFN-alpha
 - ME/CFS
- **Dopamine Metabolism**
- **Functional Connectivity**
 - Depression
 - Breast Cancer
- **Immunometabolism**

Behavioral Changes During the First 12 weeks of High Dose IFN-alpha for Malignant Melanoma

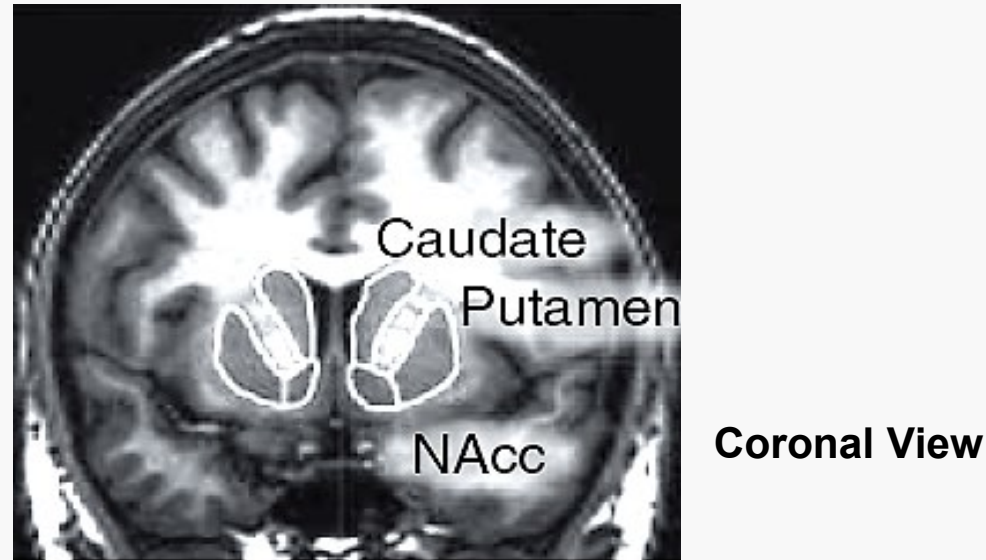
	Percent
<i>Depressive Symptoms</i>	
Depressed mood	60
Anhedonia	30
Suicidal Thoughts	10
Feelings of Guilt	5
<i>Anxious Symptoms</i>	
Tension/Irritability	50
Anxious Mood	45
Fear	15
<i>Cognitive Symptoms</i>	
Loss of Concentration	30
Memory Disturbances	15
Word-finding Problems	15
Episodes of Confusion	10
Indecisiveness	10
<i>Neurovegetative Symptoms</i>	
Fatigue/ Loss of Energy	80
Abnormal Sleep	45
Psychomotor Retardation	40
Abnormal Appetite	35
<i>Somatic Symptoms</i>	
Pain	55
Gastrointestinal Symptoms	50



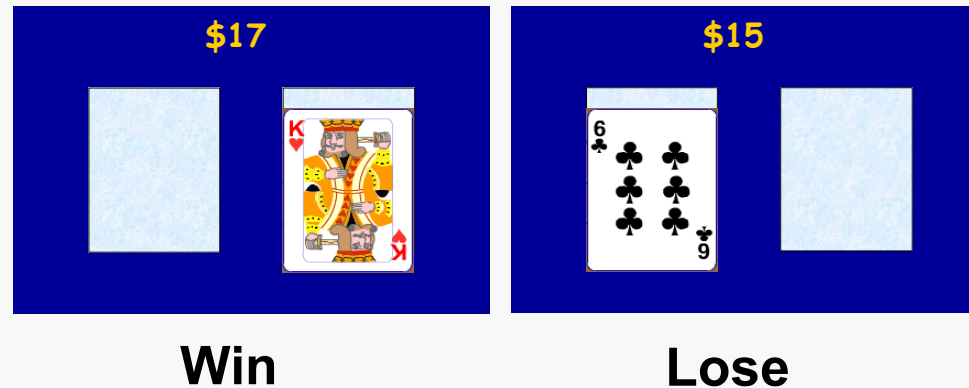
Musselman et al., *NEJM*, 344:961-966, 2001.

Capuron et al., *Neuropsychopharmacology*, 26:643-652, 2002

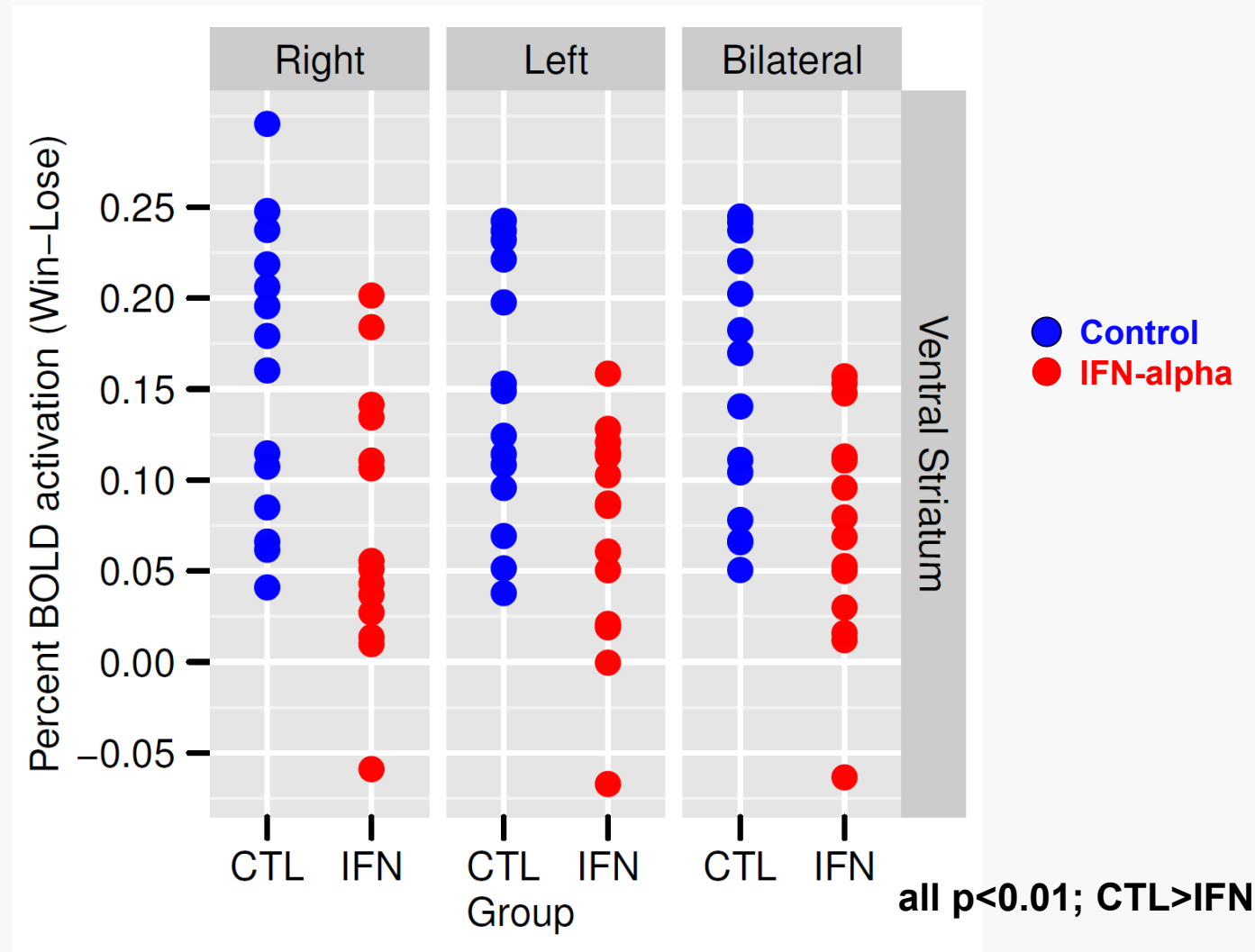
Impact of IFN-alpha on Ventral Striatal Activation during a Hedonic Reward Task Using fMRI



Gambling Task



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IFN-alpha-Induced Decrease in Ventral Striatal Activation is Associated with Reduced Motivation

MFI—Multidimensional Fatigue Inventory

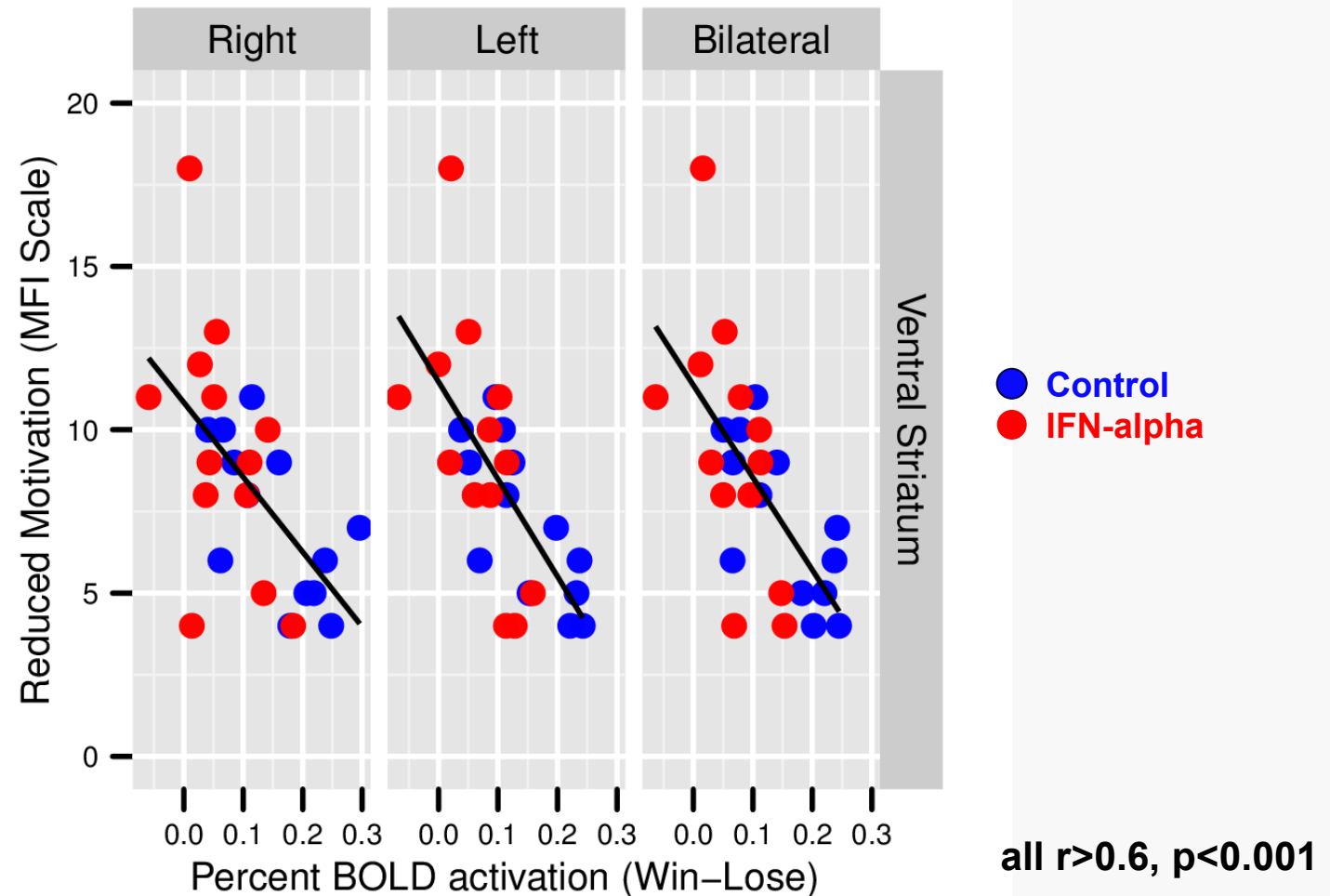
RM: Reduced Motivation

GF: General Fatigue

PF: Physical Fatigue

RA: Reduced Activity

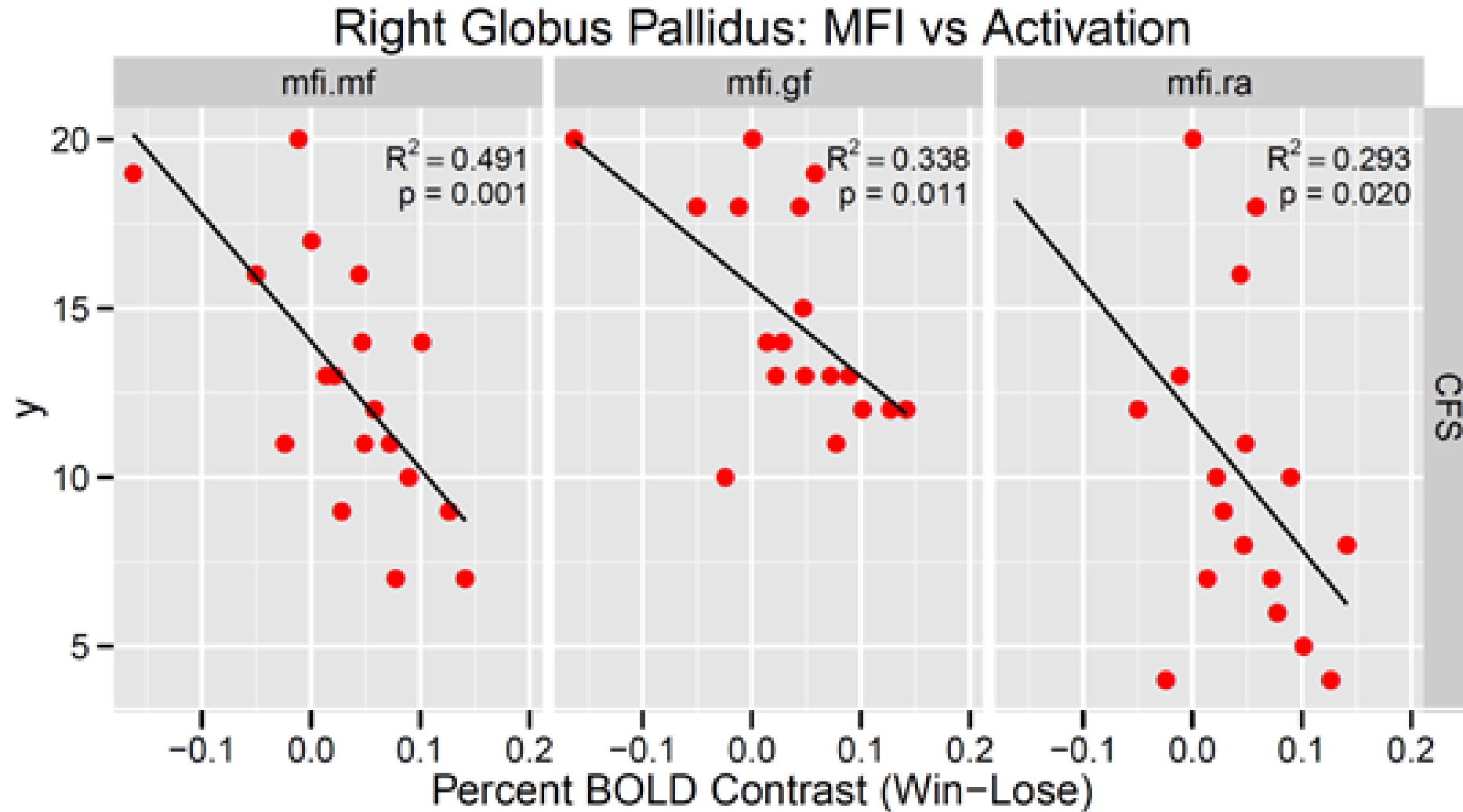
MF: Mental Fatigue



Capuron et al. , *Arch Gen Psychiatry*, 69:1044, 2012.

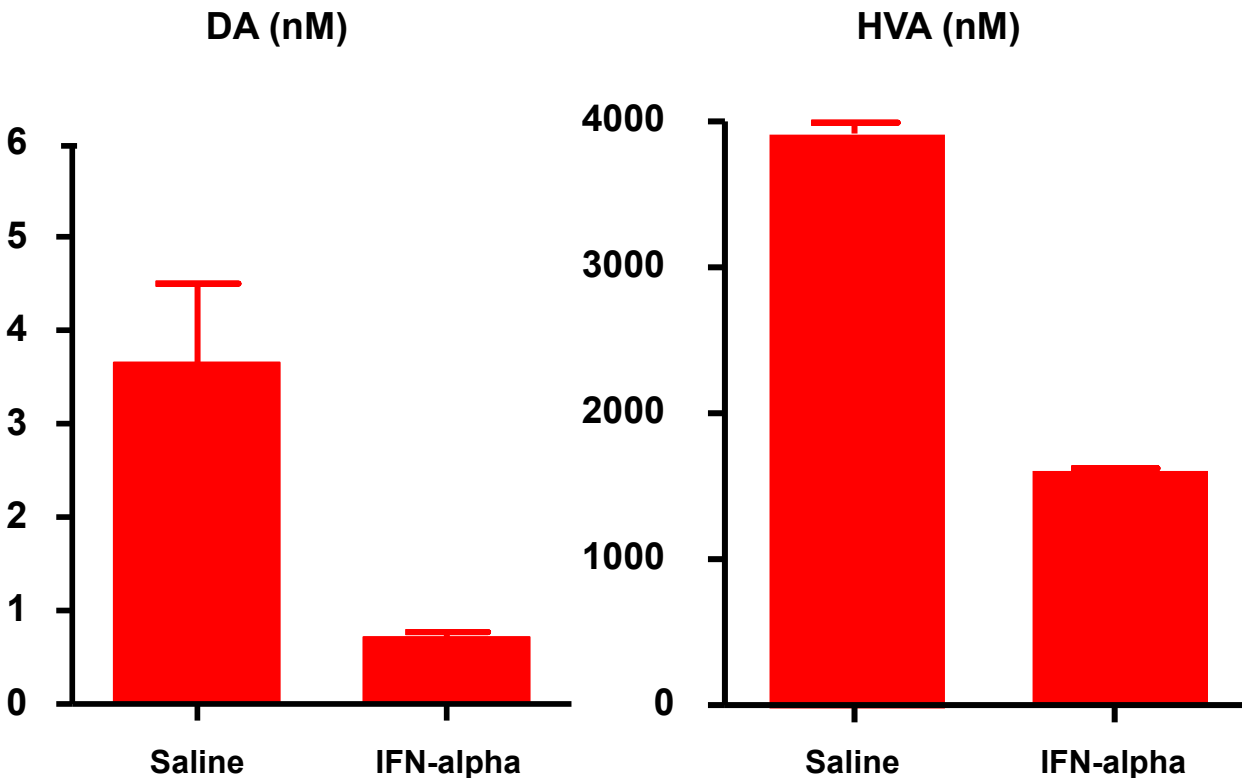
Similar Results with Endotoxin and Typhoid Vaccination
(Eisenberger et al. *Biol Psych*, 68:748, 2010, Harrison et al. *Biol Psych*, 80:73, 2016)

Neural Activation in the Globus Pallidus of Subjects with ME/CFS is Correlated with Symptoms of Fatigue



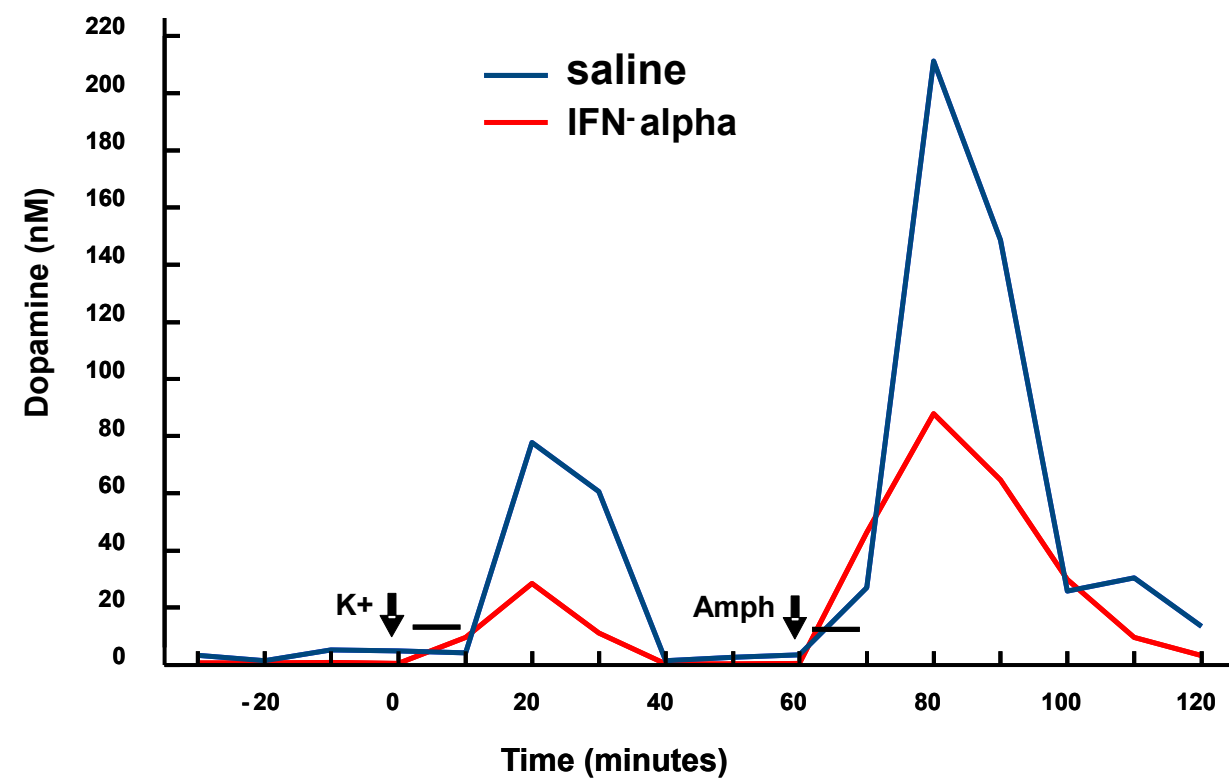
IFN- α and Dopamine Release in Striatum as Measured by *In Vivo* Microdialysis in Rhesus Monkeys

Baseline



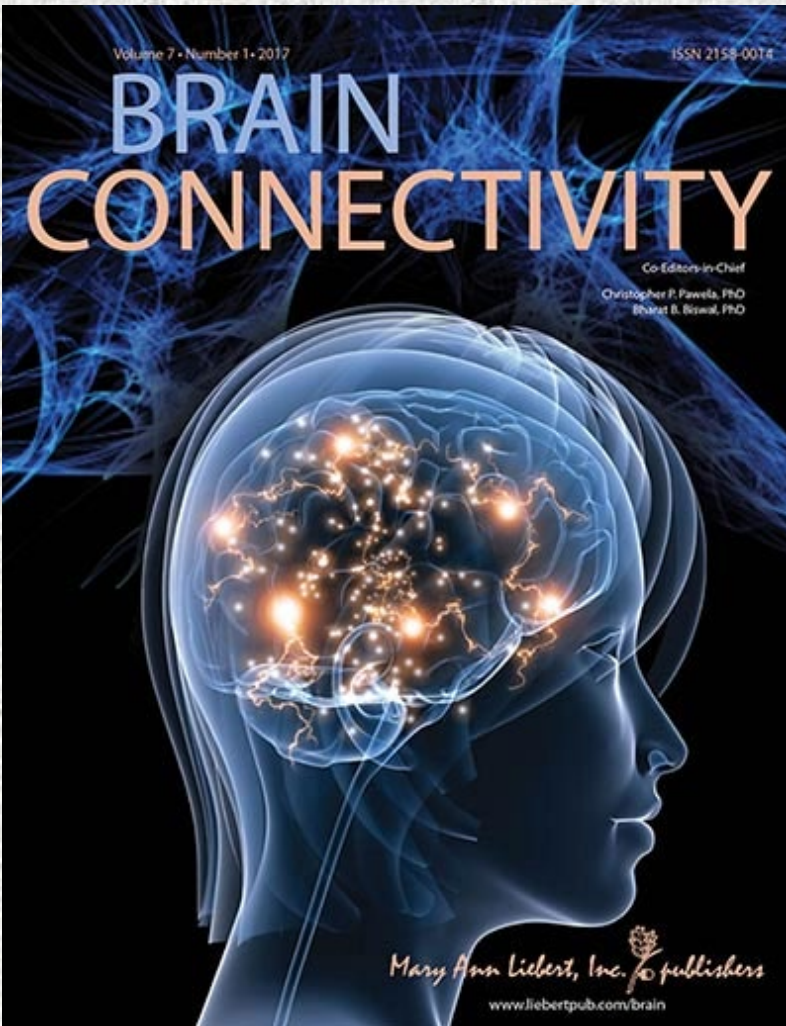
DA-dopamine, HVA-homovanillic acid

Stimulated via Reverse Microdialysis

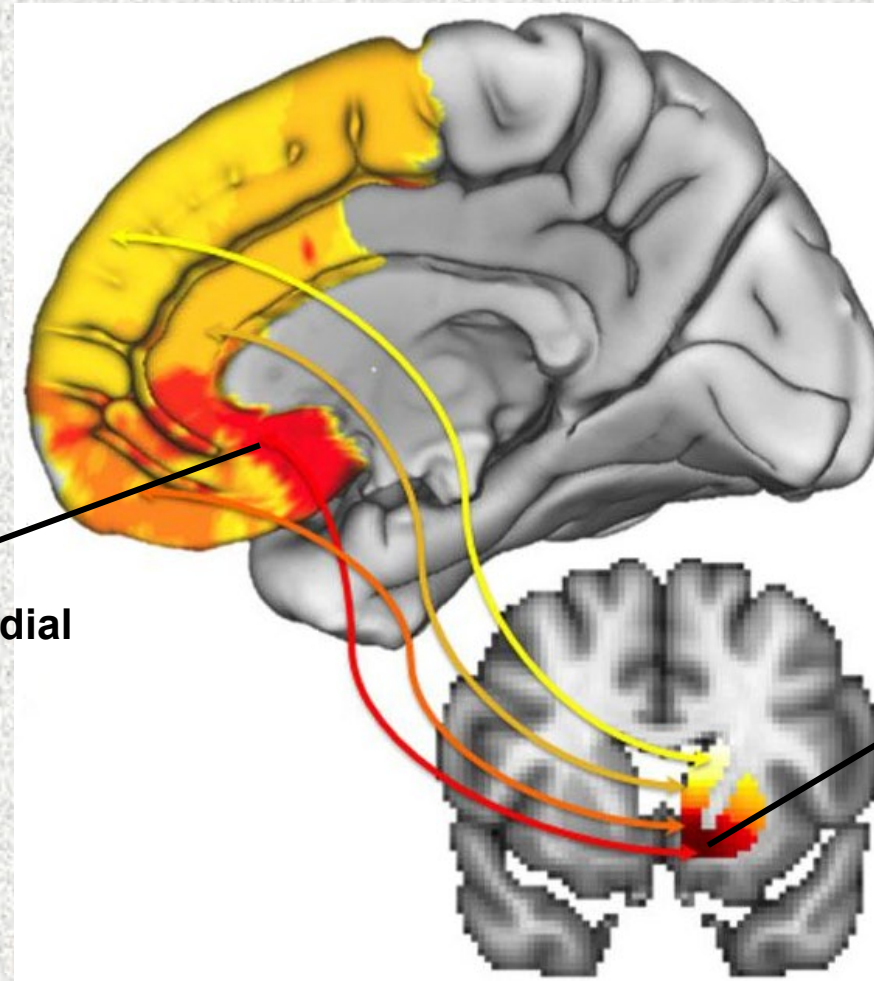


Does Inflammation Disrupt Connectivity In Motivational Circuits in Depression?

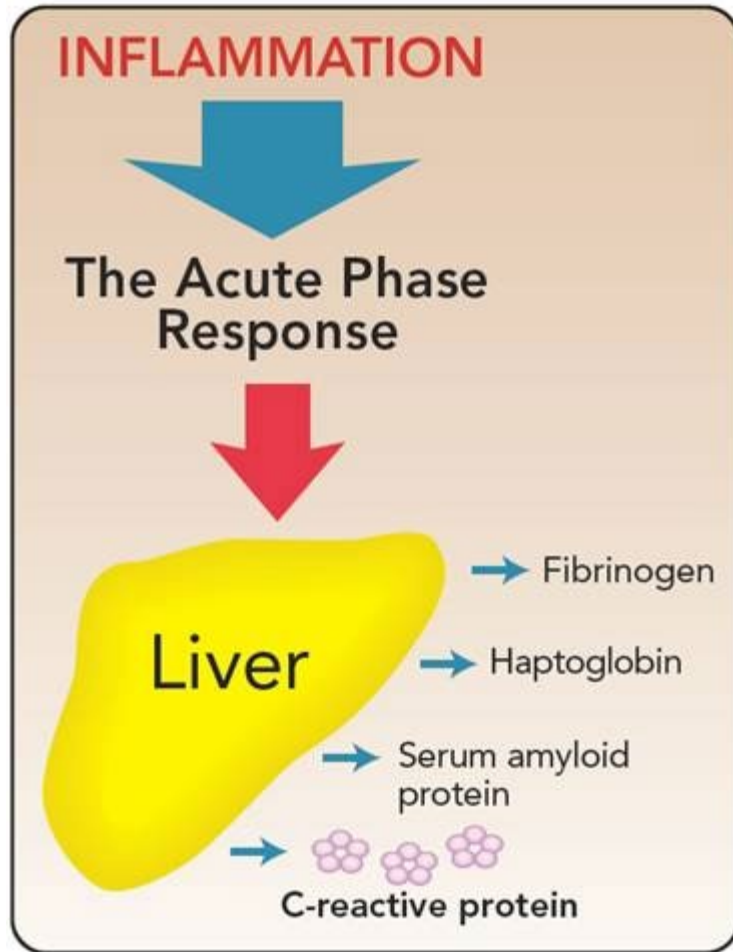
Pathways of the Reward Circuit



vmPFC - ventromedial
prefrontal cortex



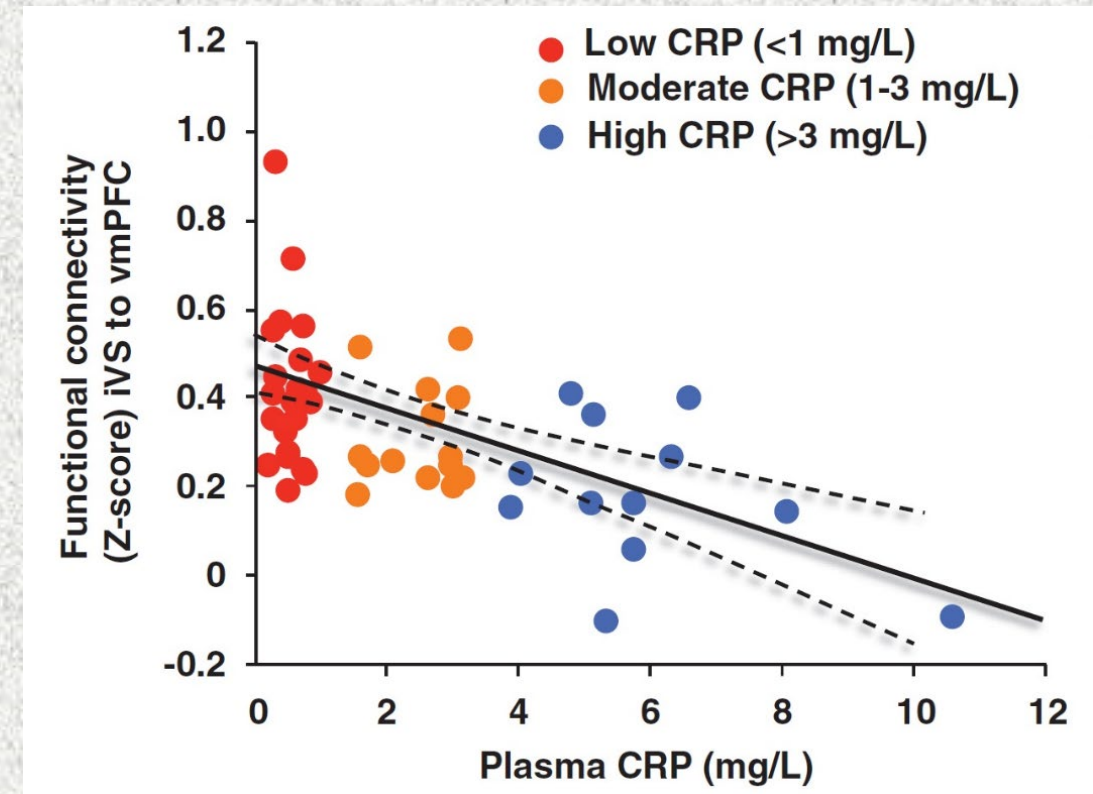
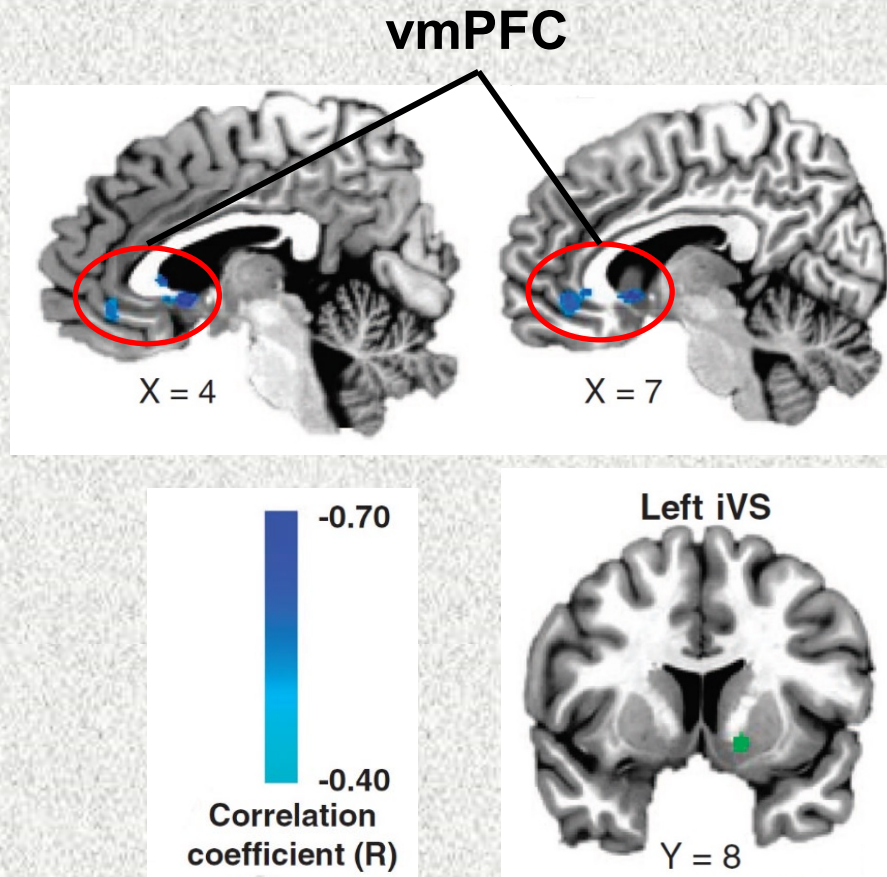
C-reactive protein (CRP) is a Marker of Endogenous Systemic Inflammation



hs-CRP Value	Inflammation*
< 1 mg/L	low
1-3 mg/L	average
> 3 mg/L	high

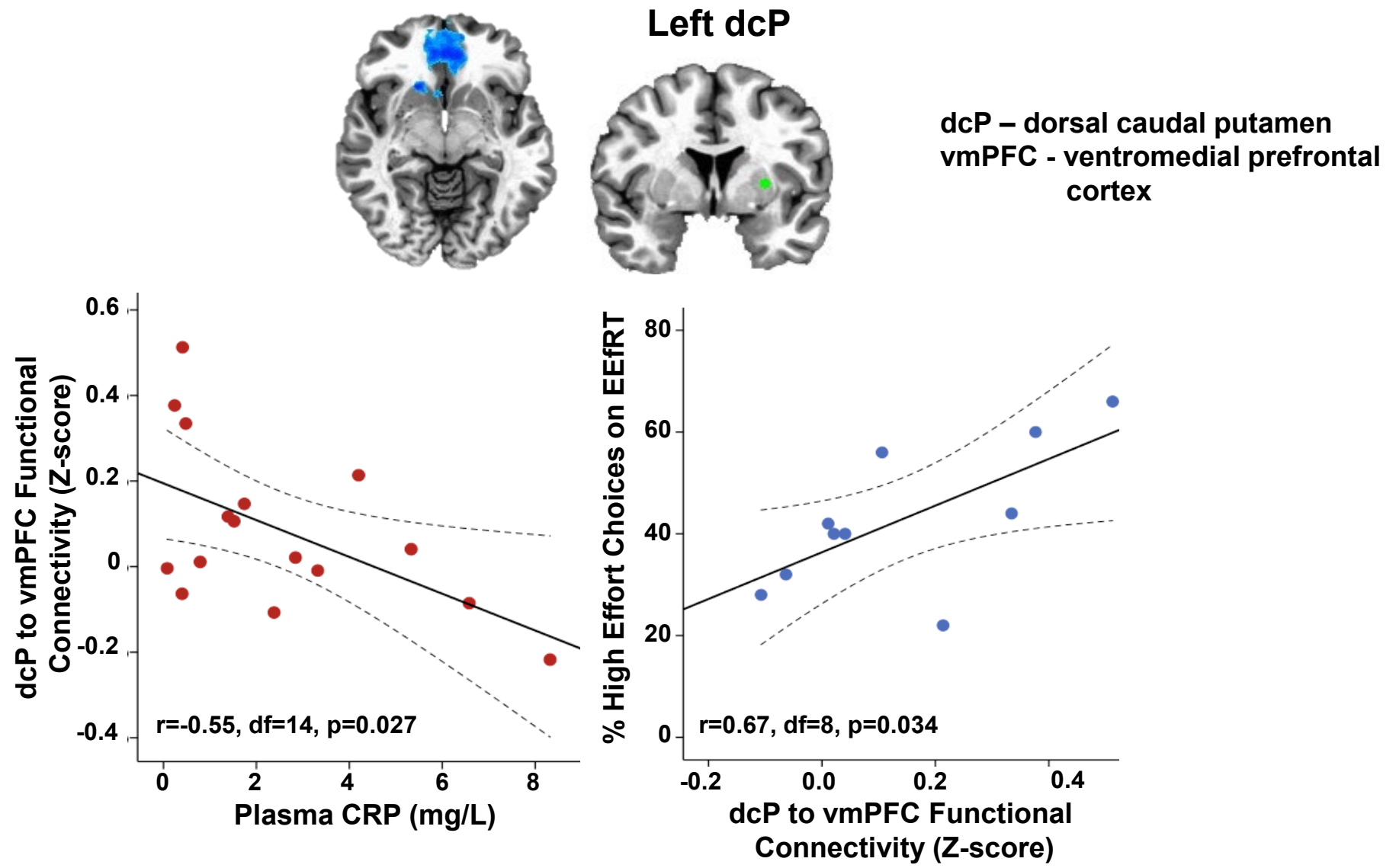
***American Heart Association/
Centers for Disease Prevention
and Control (2003)**

Inflammation Decreases Functional Connectivity in Reward Circuits during Resting State fMRI



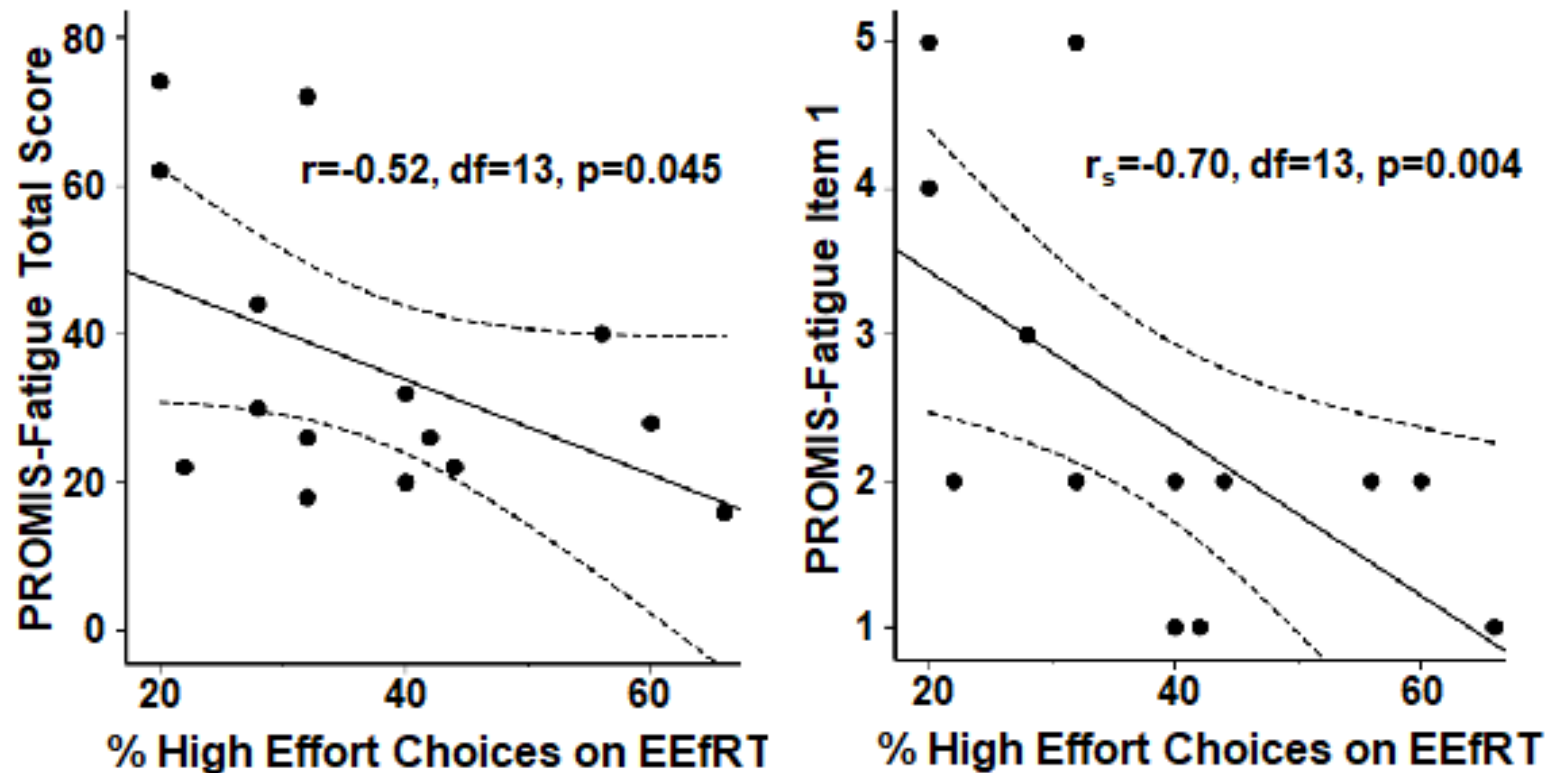
iVS – inferior ventral striatum
vmPFC - ventromedial prefrontal cortex

Inflammation is Associated with Decreased Corticostriatal Connectivity and Effort-Based Motivation in Women with Breast Cancer



EEfRT – Effort Expenditure for Reward Task

Effort-Based Motivation is Associated with Fatigue in Women with Breast Cancer



EEfRT – Effort Expenditure for Reward Task

PROMIS-Fatigue Item 1 – “How often did you feel tired” (in the past 7 days)

Inflammation Costs Energy

