



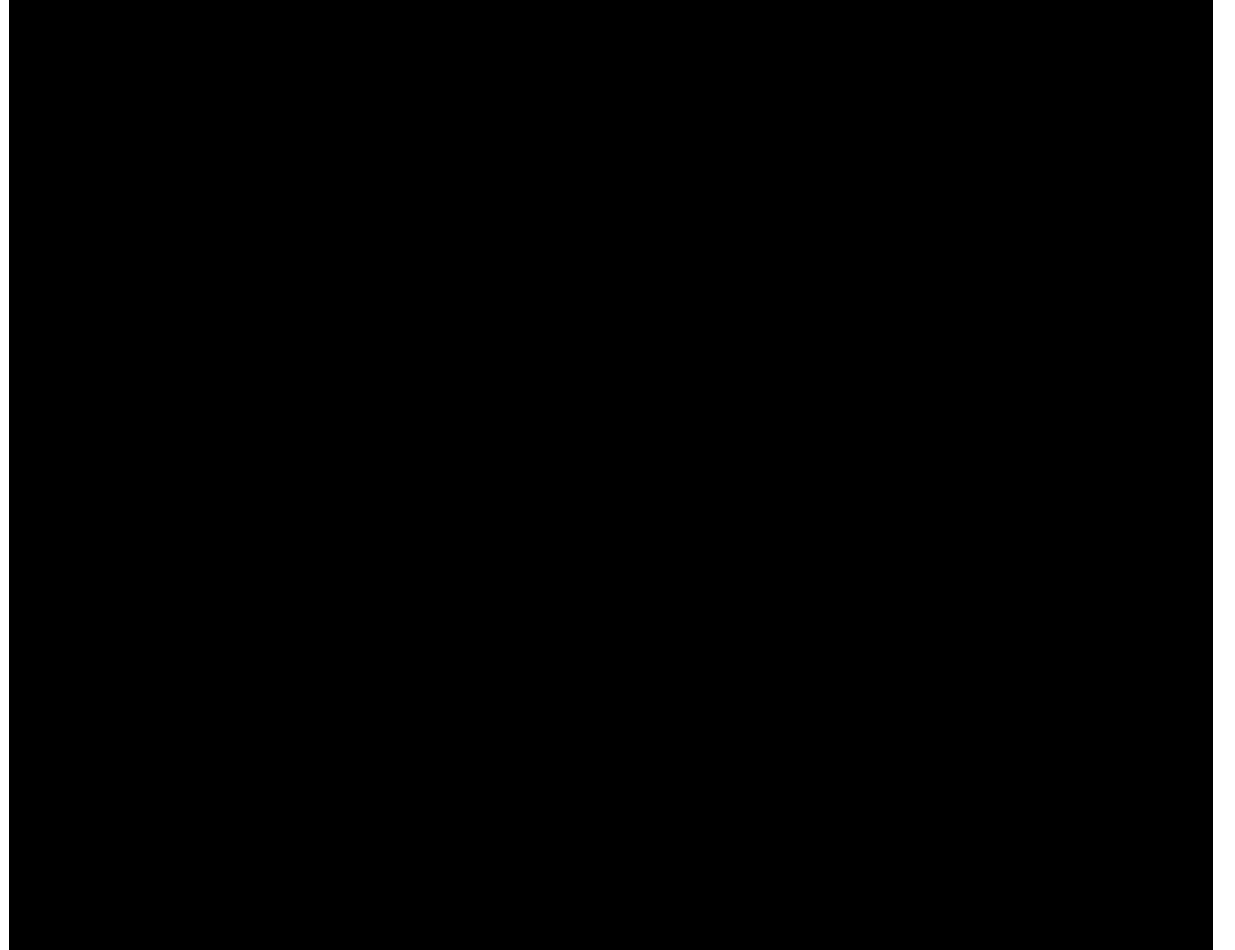
Embodiment of prosthesis
into the body

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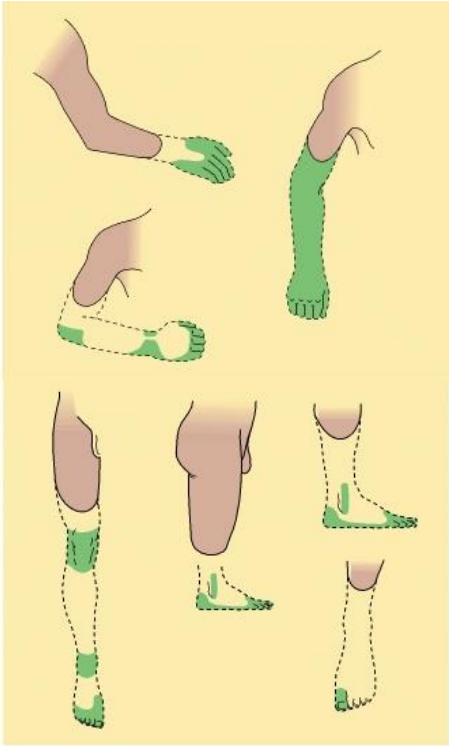


Phantom limb

A phantom limb is the perception that an amputated limb is still attached to the body and is moving with other body parts (Melzack 1992; Ramachandran & Hirstein 1998)



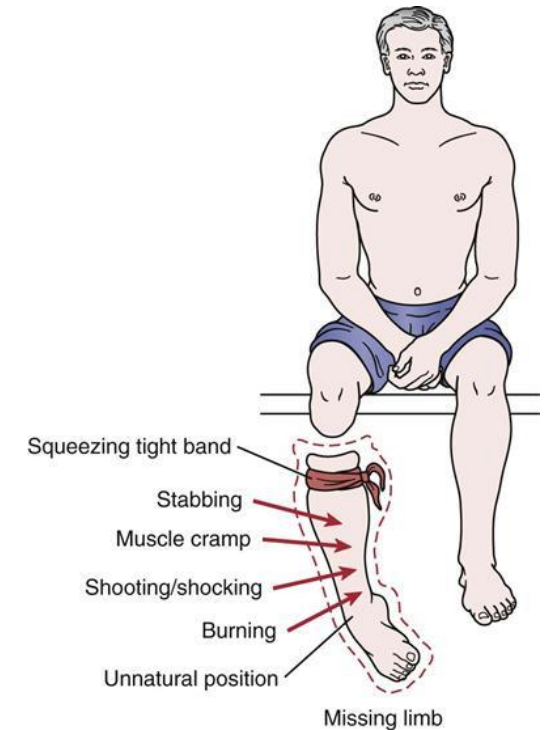
General description of phantom limb



- Almost all (95%-) amputees experience phantom limb phenomenon immediately after the amputation
(Ramachandran and Hirstein 1998, Halligan et al. 1999)
- 50-80% of them complain phantom limb pain
(Jansen et al. 1983, Kooijman et al. 2000, Fraser et al. 2001)

Experience of pre-amputation pain largely affect to the condition of phantom limb and an incidence of phantom limb pain (Nilolajsan et al. 1997)

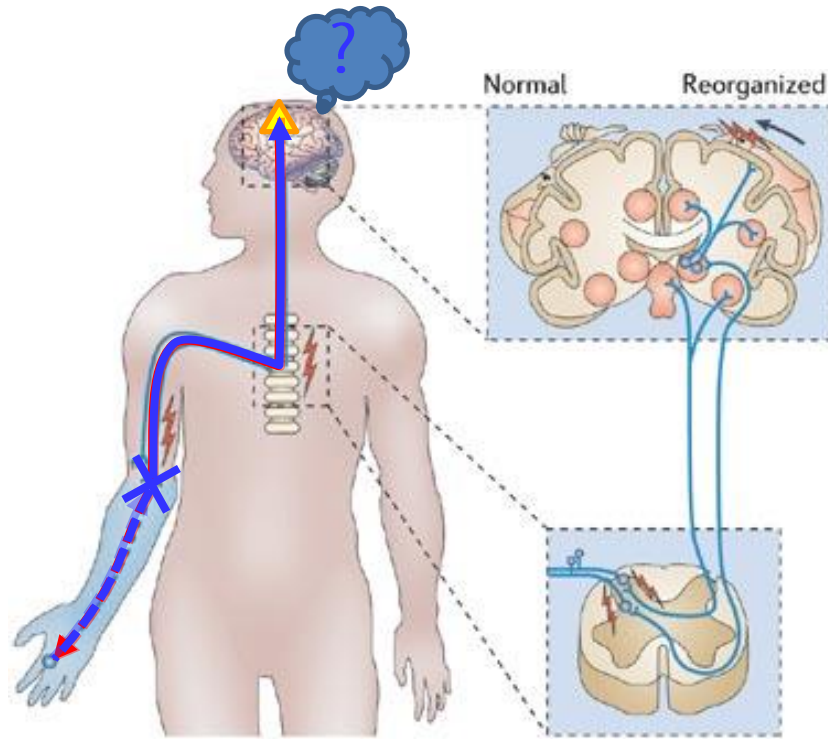
The type and extent of phantom limb (pain) are highly variable



The factors/elements for determining the condition of phantom limb is not fully understood.

What's happen after limb amputation

— neural mechanisms underlying cortical reorganization —



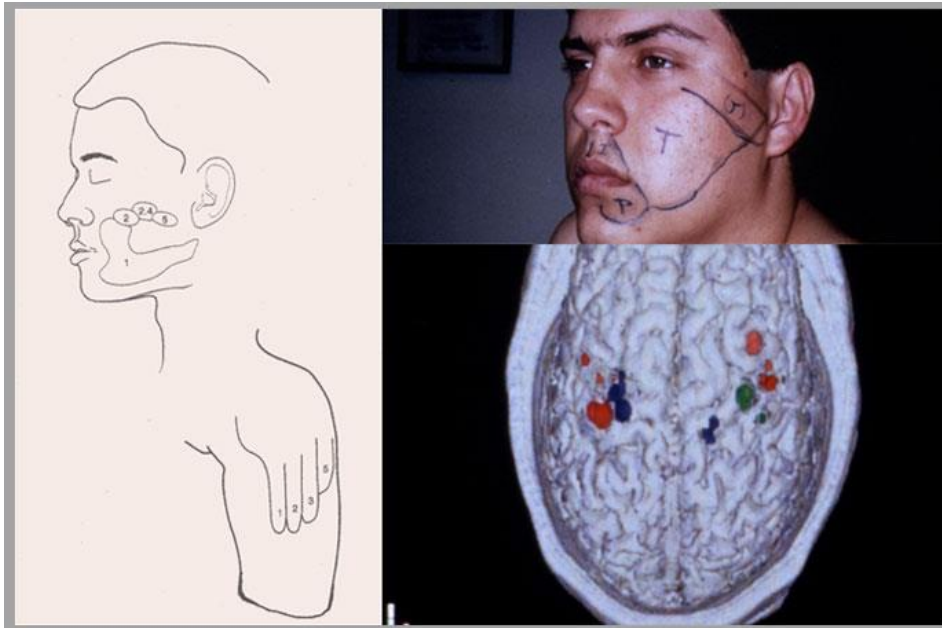
Flor (Nat Review Neurosci 2006)

- Sensorimotor cortex still exist even after amputation
→ Motor cortex is capable to send descending motor command
- Sensory feedback does not come back to the brain
→ Motor error: accumulating (Potential reason for phantom pain)
- After amputation...
 - ① Missing part: inactivated
 - ② Residual part: more activated

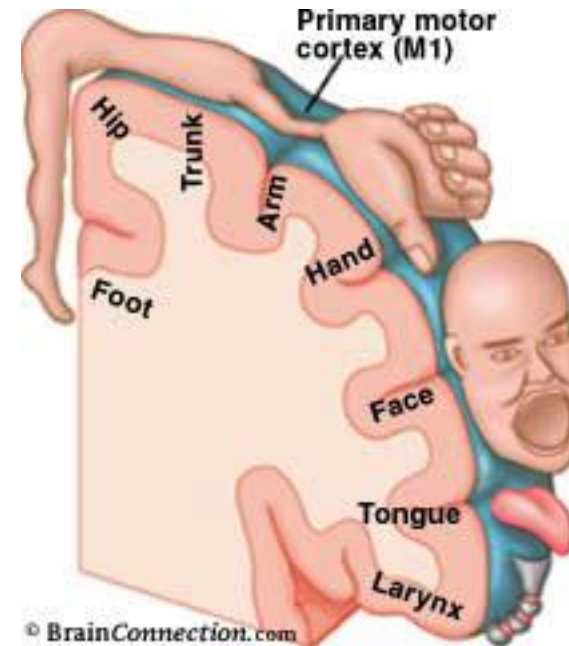
Adjacent area invade to the area which used to innervate missing area: cortical reorganization

Referred sensation / Dual perception

A perception at the missing part ($\hat{=}$ phantom limb) evoked by sensory stimulation to a residual body part



Ramachandran and Hirstein (Brain 1998)



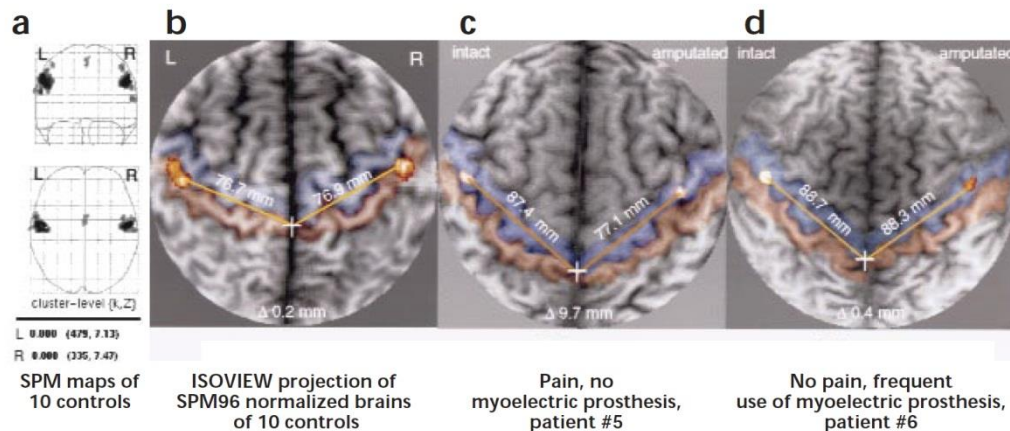
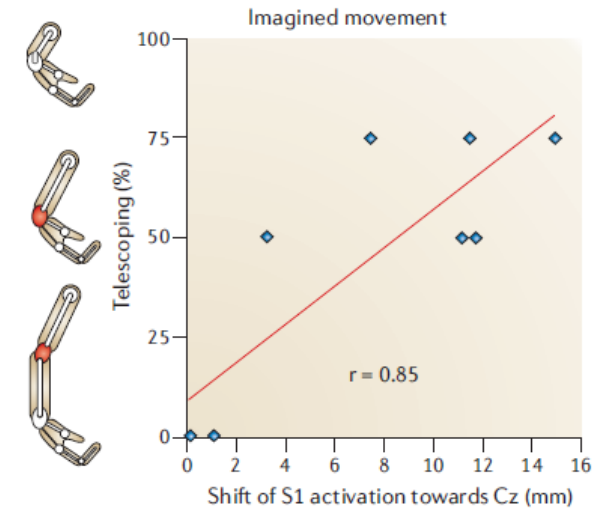
Factors affecting to Phantom limb pain

— Relevance to cortical reorganization —



Telescoping :
The phenomenon phantom limb shrink into the stump. Telescoping is depend on time post injury and the use of prosthesis.

Telescoping has strong relevance to the extent of cortical reorganization
(Flor et al. 2006)



Potential impact of the use of prosthesis on phantom limb pain

Frequent use of a prosthesis would minimize the extent of cortical reorganization and resultantly contribute to reduce pain

Lotze et al. (Nat Neurosci 1999)

“Mirror box”

The mirror therapy is based on the concept that the mirror induced visual feedback (MVF) of missing limb enhances awareness of one's own body and has a potential do reduce phantom limb pain.

(Hunter et al. 2003, Kawashima et al. 2009)



Metal bar prevents phantom limb motion: Case study of an amputation patient who showed a profound change in the awareness of his phantom limb

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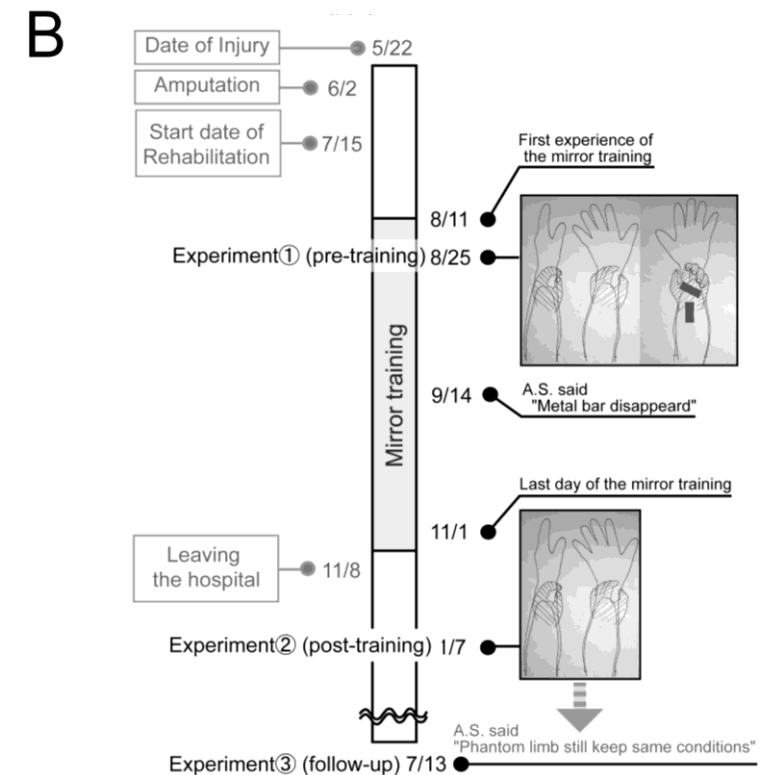
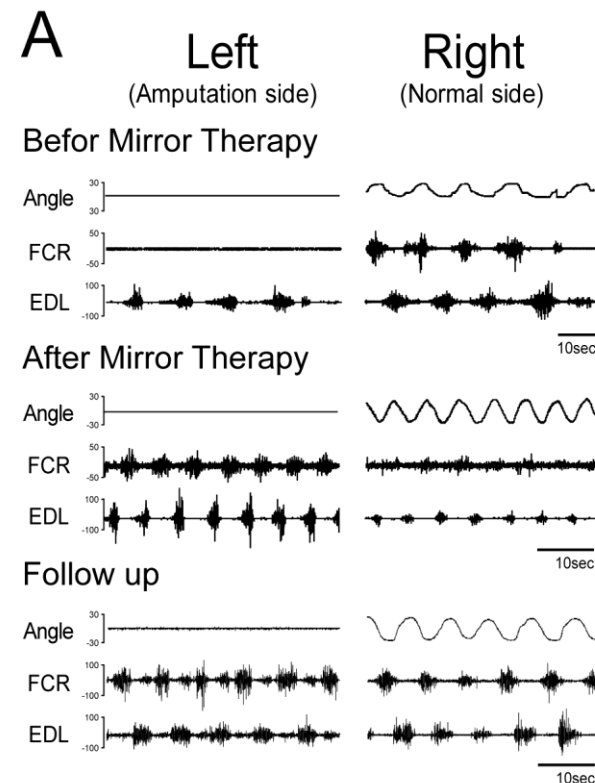
Subject A.S. (69-year-old forearm amputee)

A.S. suffered an accident during working with press machine. He experienced pre-amputation paralysis and the pain for two weeks, and then, the paralyzed forearm was amputated.



“Metal bar” in the phantom hand

He vividly felt existence of hand and wrist, but the wrist motion was prevented by the metal bar held in hand of phantom limb.



Inter-Individual Difference in the Effect of Mirror Reflection-Induced Visual Feedback on Phantom Limb Awareness in Forearm Amputees

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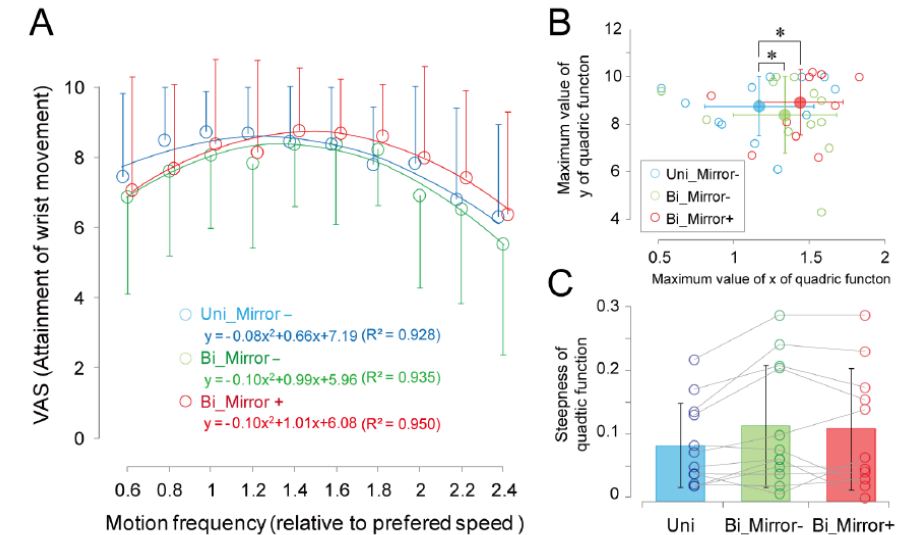
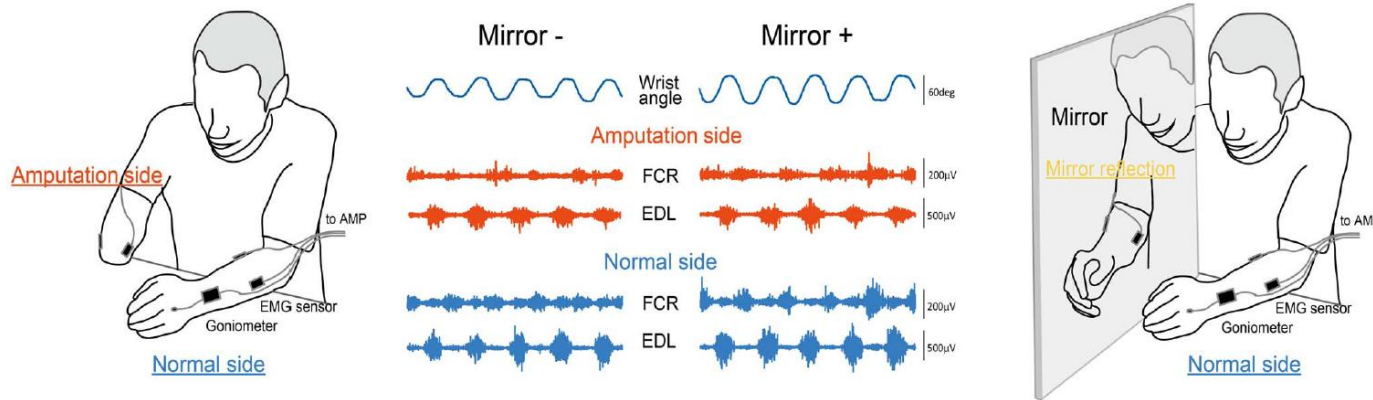


Fig 3. Averaged data of the VAS for each motion frequency and each experimental condition (A). The VAS profile in accordance with motion frequency was well characterized by the quadric function. Comparison of the peak value (B) and the slope (sharpness) of the quadric function (C) of the quadric function among three experimental conditions. The error bars indicate the standard deviation of the mean value. * Significant difference ($p < 0.05$).

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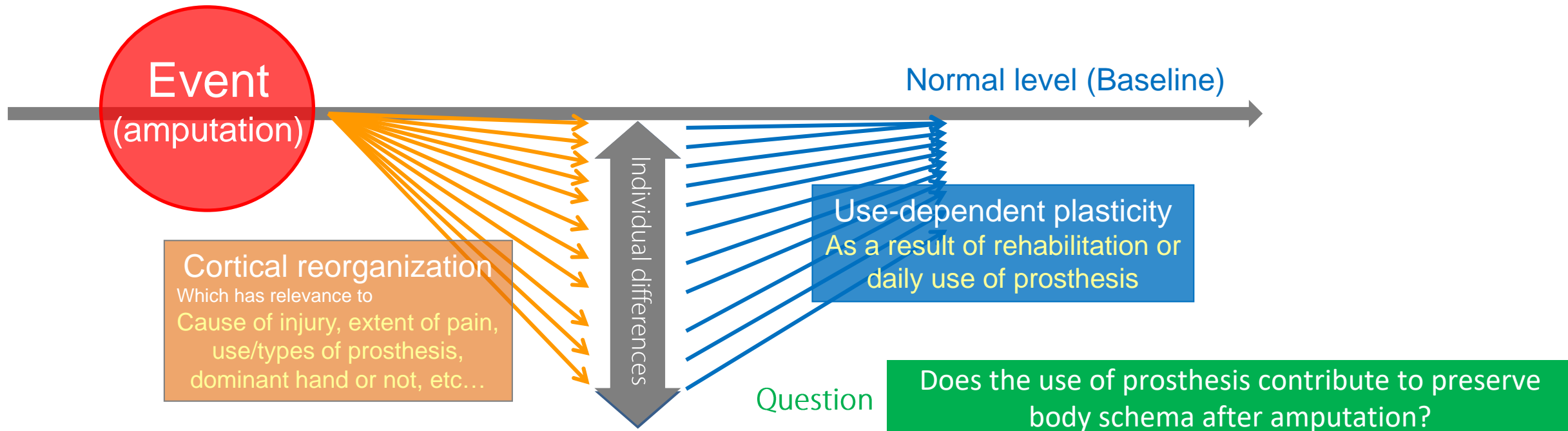
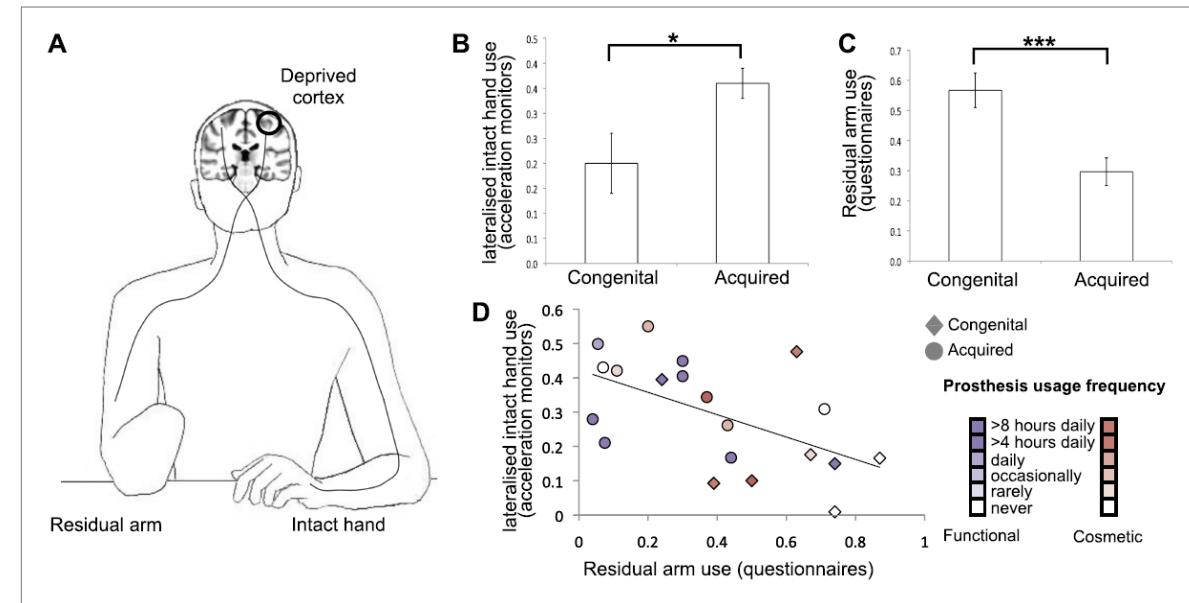
Psychophysical Evaluation of the Capability for Phantom Limb Movement in Forearm Amputees

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Deprivation-related and use-dependent plasticity go hand in hand

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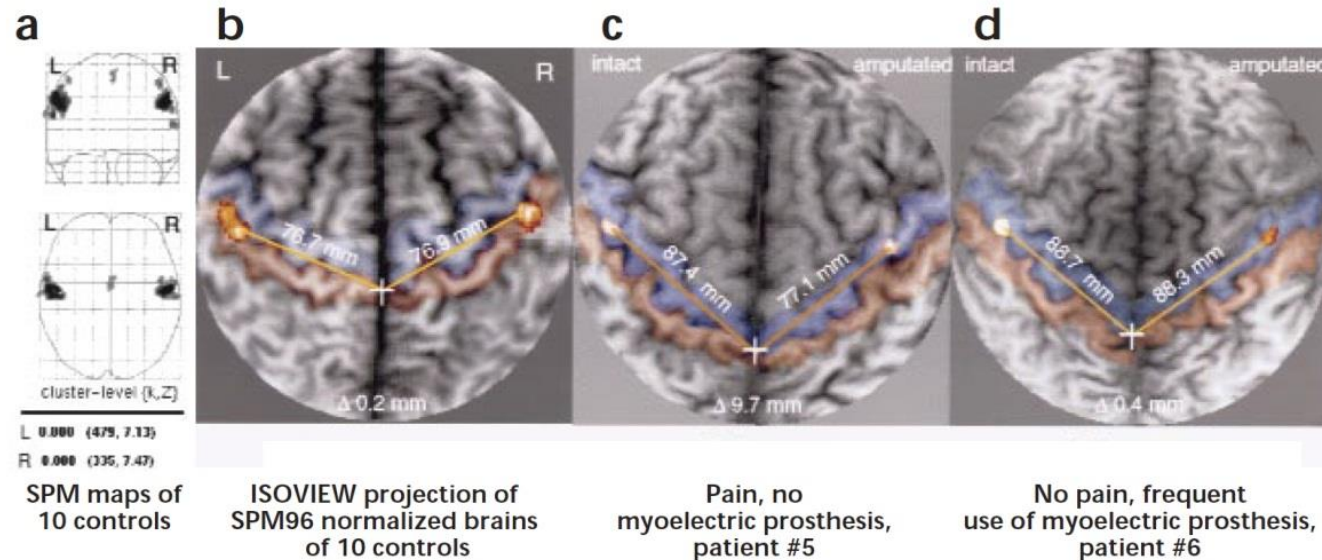
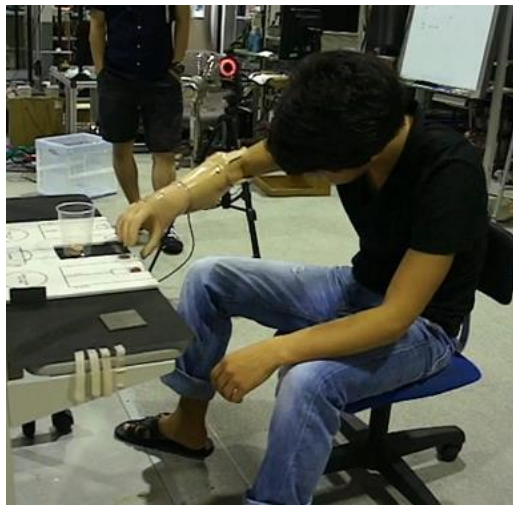
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An interpretative phenomenological analysis of the embodiment of artificial limbs

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Abstract

Purpose: To gain an understanding of the embodied percep-

higher levels of depression and anxiety, prostheses users with lower levels of social integration^{2,3} than their prosthesis-using counterparts. However, the prevalence of prosthesis use in amputee samples has been found to be as

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Recognition of prosthesis

Prosthesis as a part of body

Prosthesis as a tool

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RESEARCH PAPER

The experience of men using an upper limb prosthesis following amputation: Positive coping and minimizing feeling different

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“the feeling that I am the
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High function, easy action as hand

Mechanisms underlying tool embodiment

— Alteration of spatial recognition and responsible brain area —

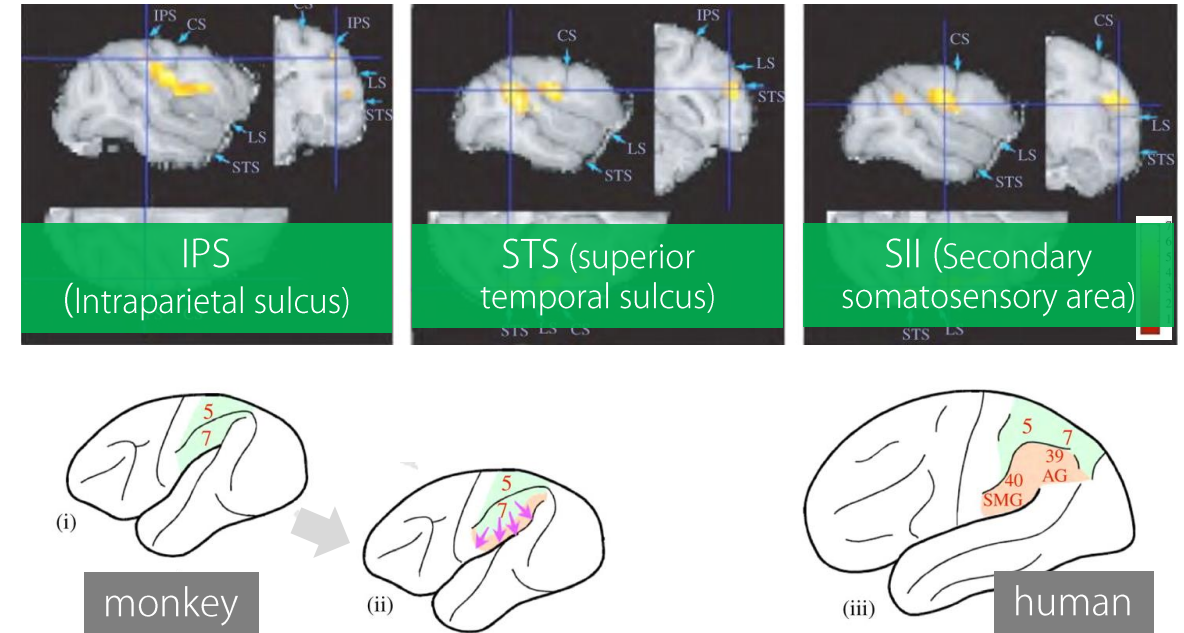
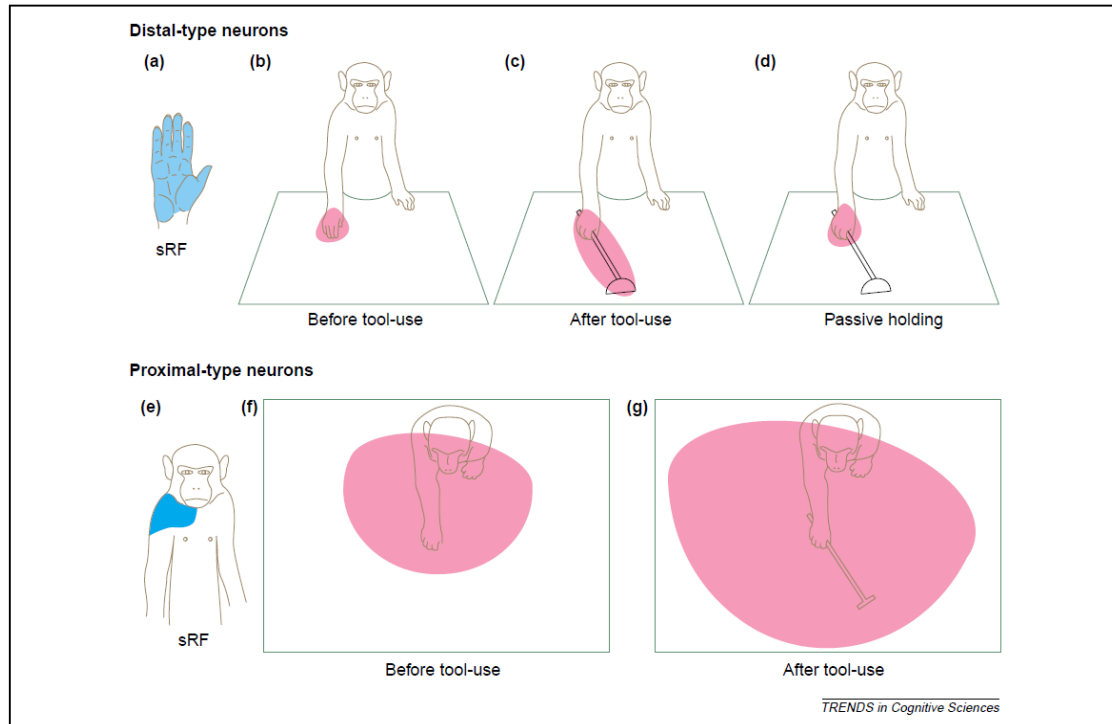


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3-fingered functional prosthesis "Finch"



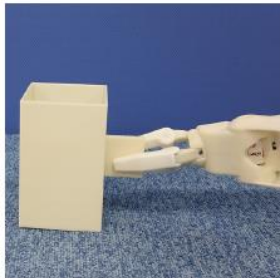
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Tripod



Power



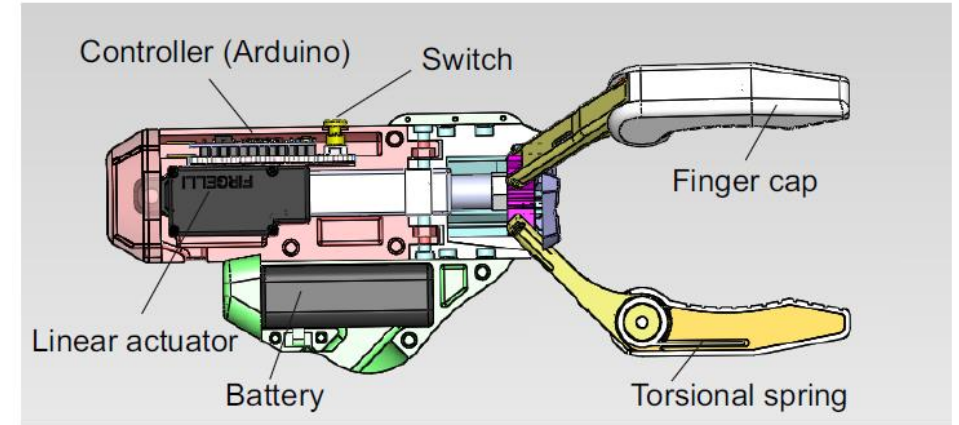
Lateral



Tip

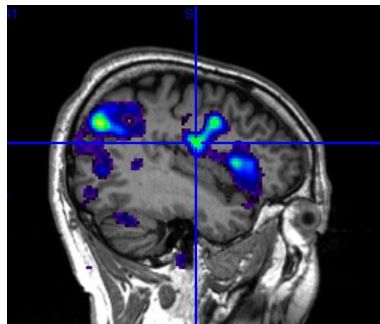
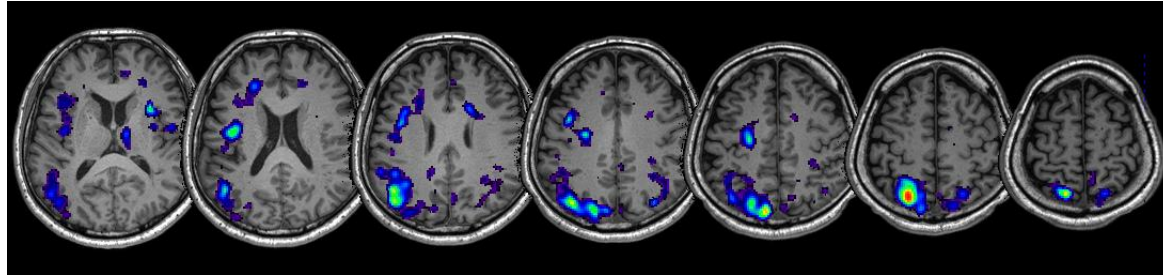


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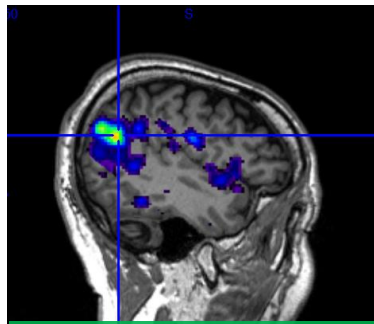


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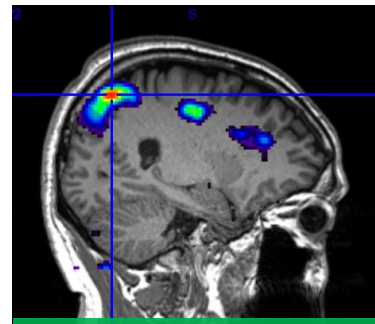
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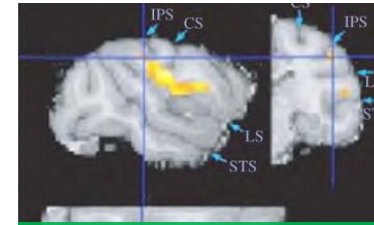
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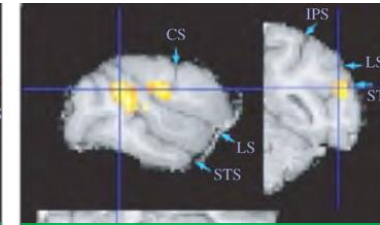
Area 39 (TPJ, Angular gyrus)



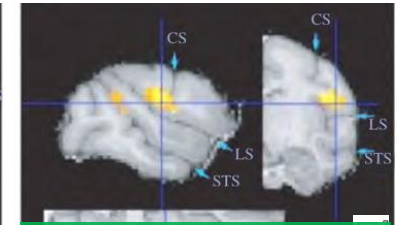
Area 7 (Superior parietal lobe)



IPS (Intraparietal sulcus)



STS (superior temporal sulcus)



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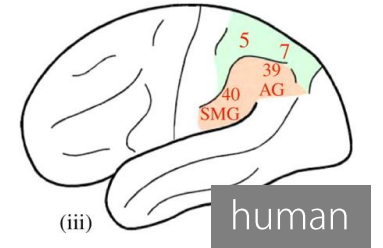
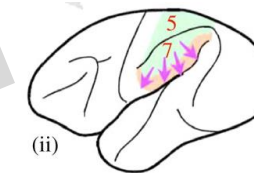
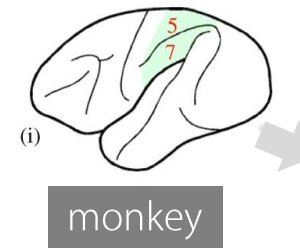


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Importance of “reality” for the preservation of body schema



Is the element of “reality” necessary?



① Use of realistic hand would have potential for the pain relief

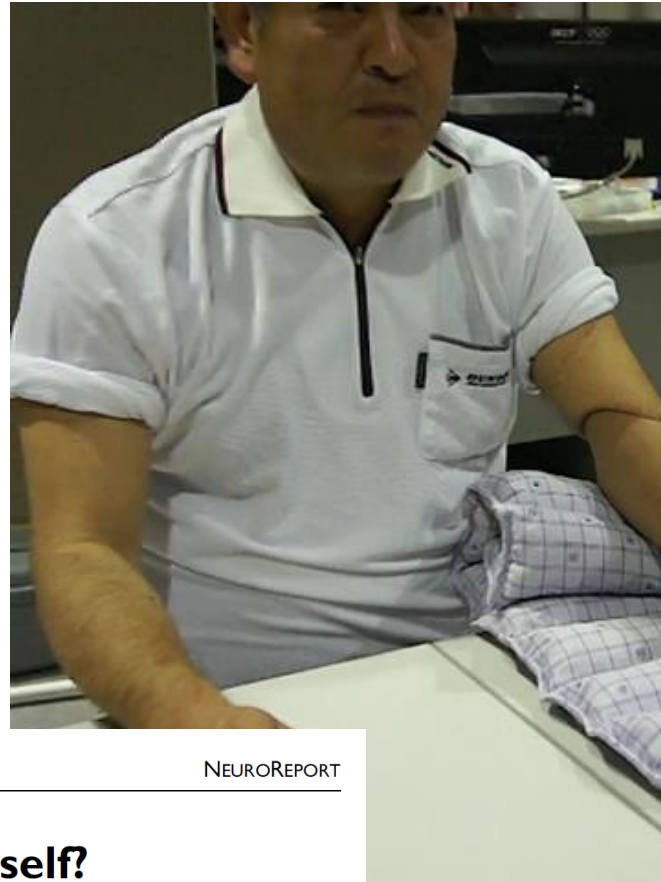
Embodied prosthesis gives a patient... Pain!



Phenomenological evidence for an embodiment of prosthesis into the body

Induction of tickle sensation!

An phenomenological evidence of embodiment of prosthesis



NEUROREPORT

Why can't you tickle yourself?

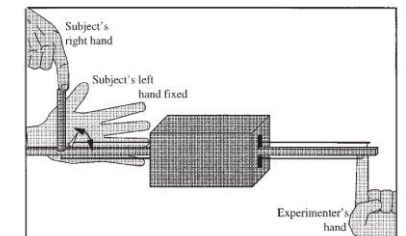
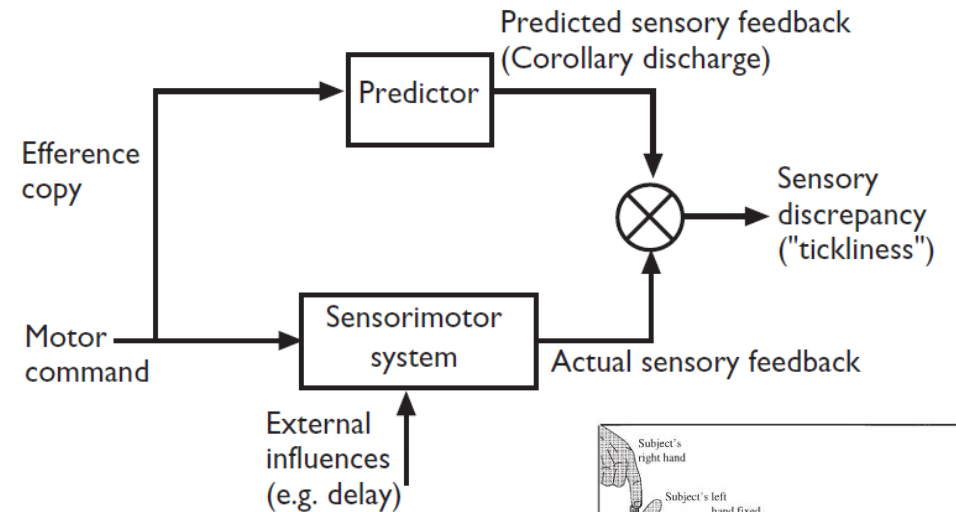
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articles

Central cancellation of self-produced tickle sensation

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Ownership-driven
embodiment



Daily
prosthetic use



Agency-driven
embodiment



Start to use
(start to change)



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Bodily awareness ↑ ↑ ↑
Embodiment of a prosthesis
Phantom limb pain ↓ ↓ ↓