

Advanced MRI Center (AMRIC)

- The Advanced MRI Center is a research core facility providing the latest magnetic resonance imaging and spectroscopy capabilities to scientists, clinicians, government and industry. Technical and clinical expertise for collaborative research is also provided.
- The Center's specialized techniques are able to elucidate functional, physiological and biochemical information from all organs of the body. This enables physicians to make better decisions regarding patient care. Additionally, researchers are better able to understand the mechanisms of diseases such as heart disease, cancer, stroke, epilepsy, multiple sclerosis, lupus, rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, osteoporosis, back pain and injuries, autism, Alzheimer's disease, bipolar disease and depression. This facilitates the development of new therapies that can be safely and continuously evaluated throughout patient treatment.

Equipment



T1W & T2W

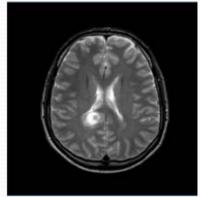
T₁W





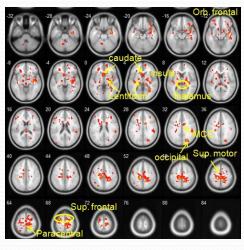
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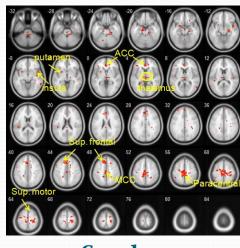


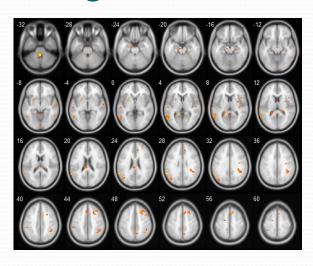


Function MRI (fMRI)

Effect of nicotine administration on light smokers





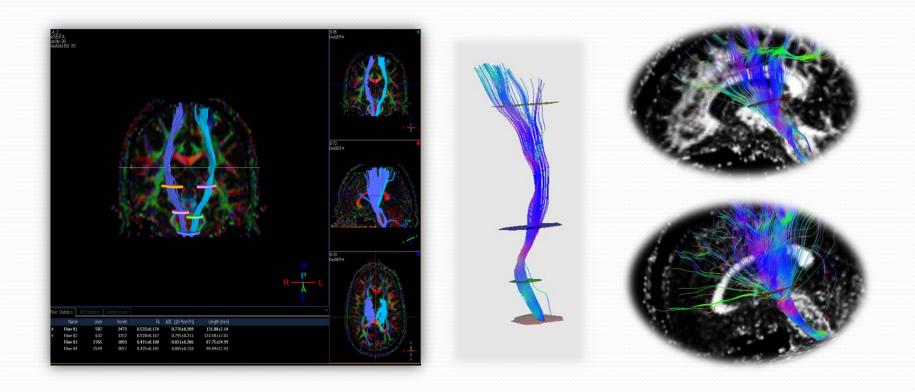


Nonsmokers

Smokers

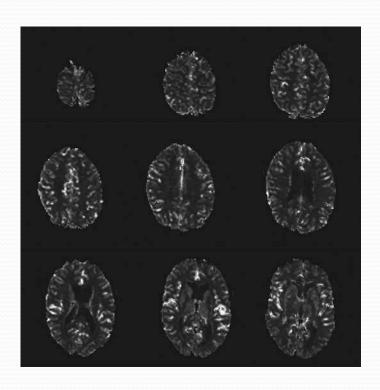
Right brain map showing areas where activation is greater in smokers than in nonsmokers in response to nicotine administration

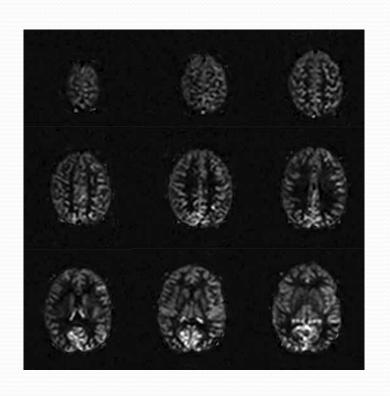
Diffusion Tensor Imaging and Tractography



Perfusion

Dynamic Susceptibility Contrast (DSC) Arterial Spin Labelling (ASL)

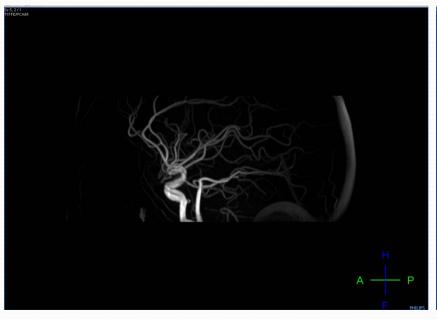


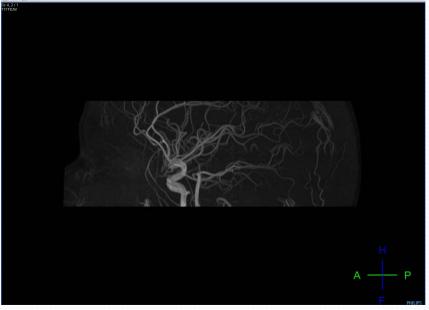


Angiography (MRA)

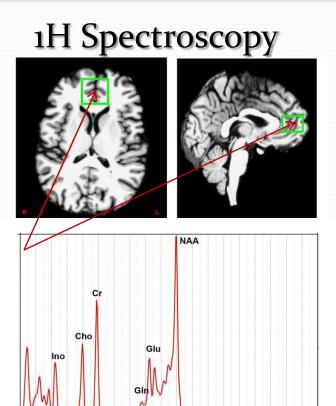
Time of Flight (TOF)

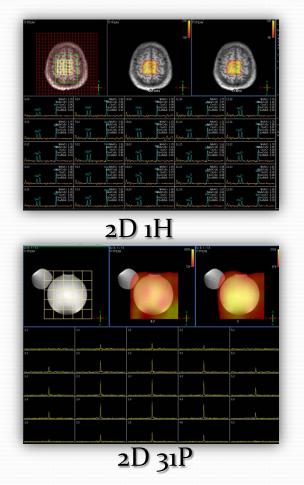
Phase Contrast (PC)





MR Spectroscopy (MRS)





Images courtesy of Dr Moore and Dr Muazzez

Chemical Shift (ppm)

Images courtesy of Dr Cauley

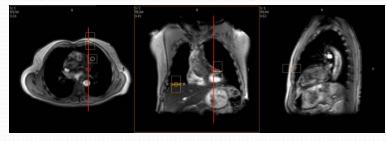
Animal Experiments

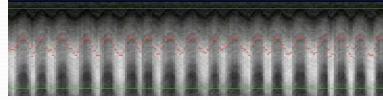


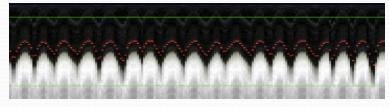
Small and large animal imaging, including mouse, rat, rabbit, dog, sheep.

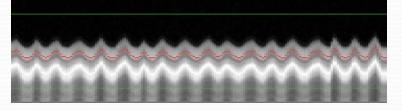
Other Studies

Real-Time Motion Track





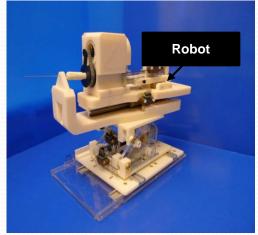


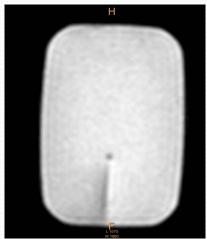


Real-time MRI-Guided Robot









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