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Don't You Worry 'Bout a Thing

Stevie Wonder - Don't you worry bout a thing

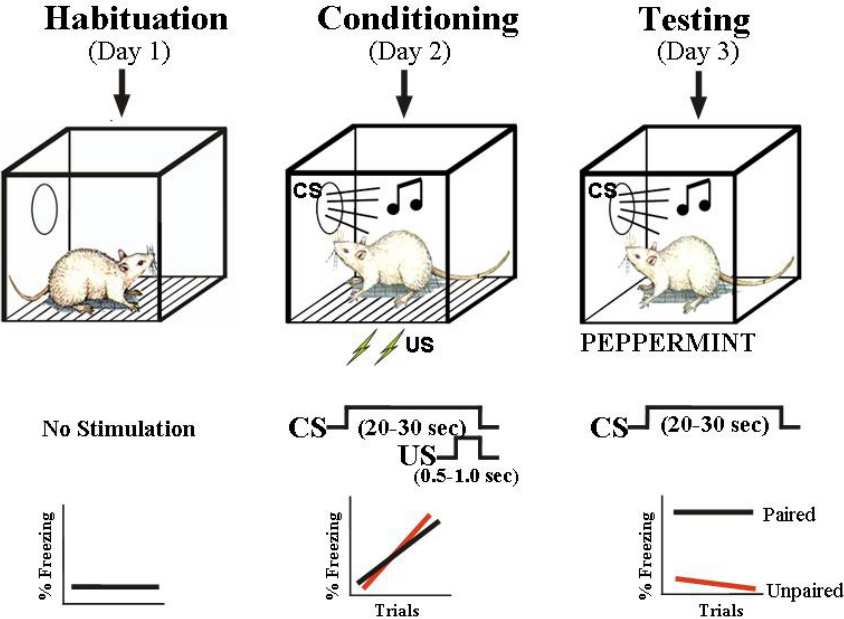


Today's topics

- Fear
- Stress
- Reward

Animal model of learned 'fear'

Pavlovian Threat Conditioning Paradigm



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Conditioned suppression of a rat's lever pressing

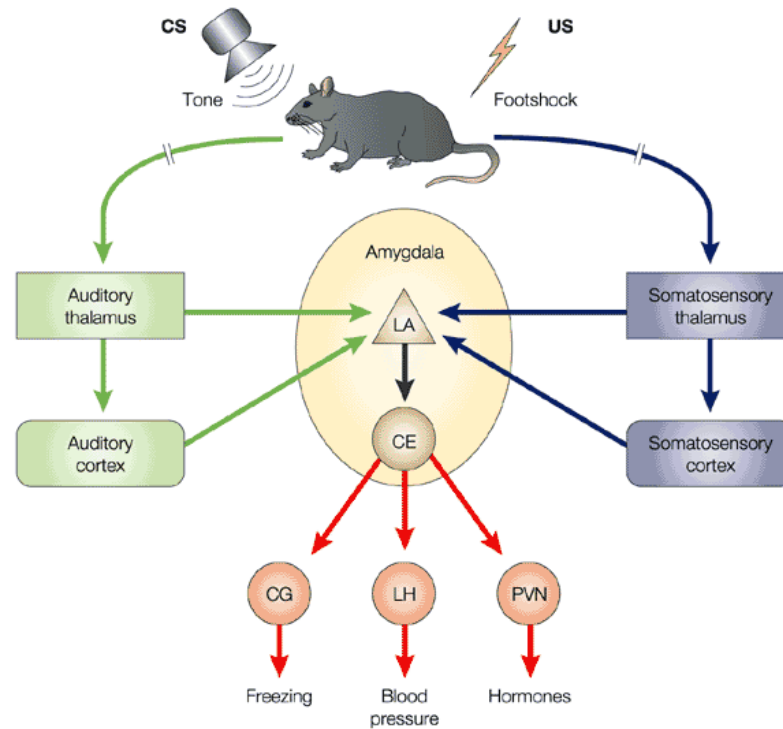


Rat vs. Human

Measures in Animal Model	DSM-III: Generalized Anxiety
Heart rate increase	Heart pounding
Salivation decrease	Dry mouth
Stomach ulcers	Upset stomach
Respiration change	Respiration increase
Scanning & vigilance	Scanning & vigilance
Startle response increase	Jumpiness, easy startle
Urination	Frequent urination
Defecation	Diarrhea
Grooming	Fidgeting
Freezing	Apprehensive expectation

Adapted from [\(Davis, 1992\)](#)

Amygdala circuits

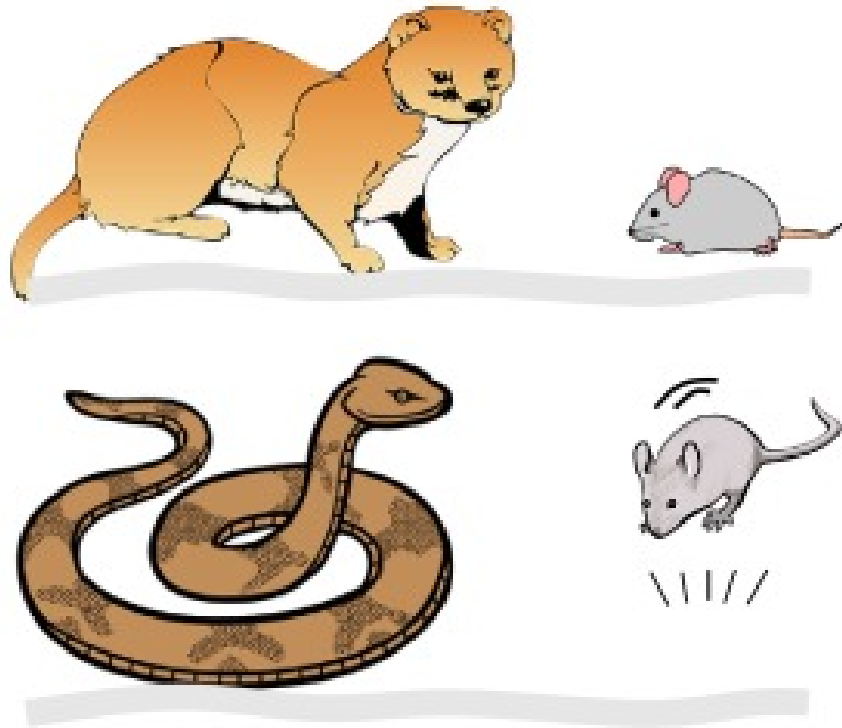


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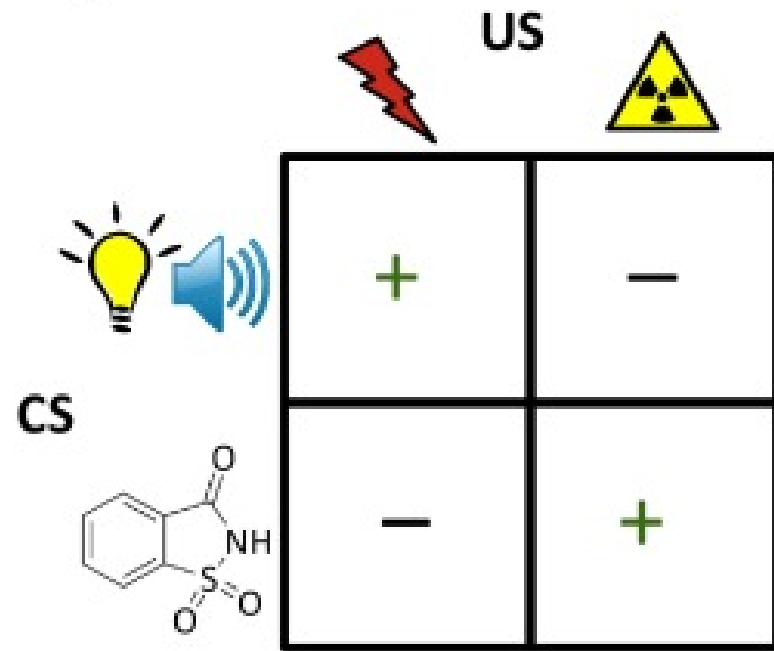
(Medina, Repa, Mauk, & LeDoux, 2002)

Specificity of learning

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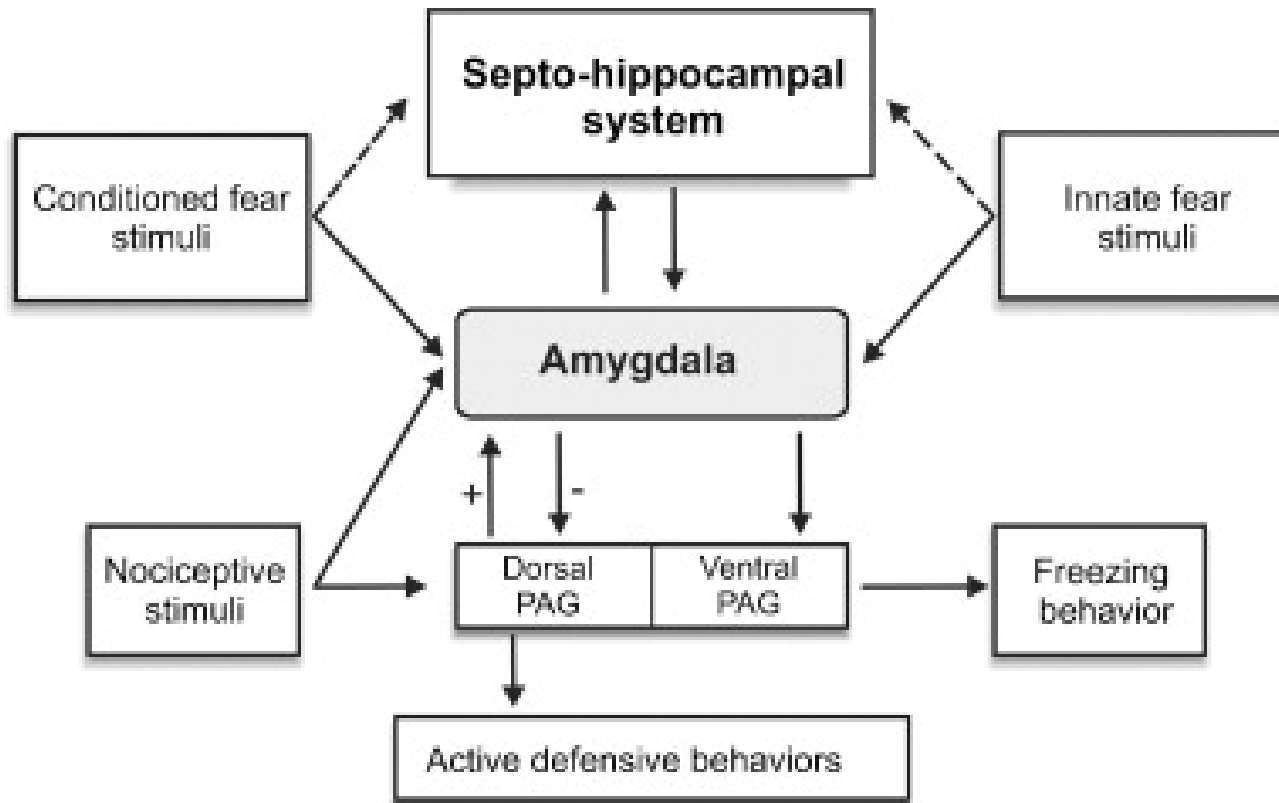


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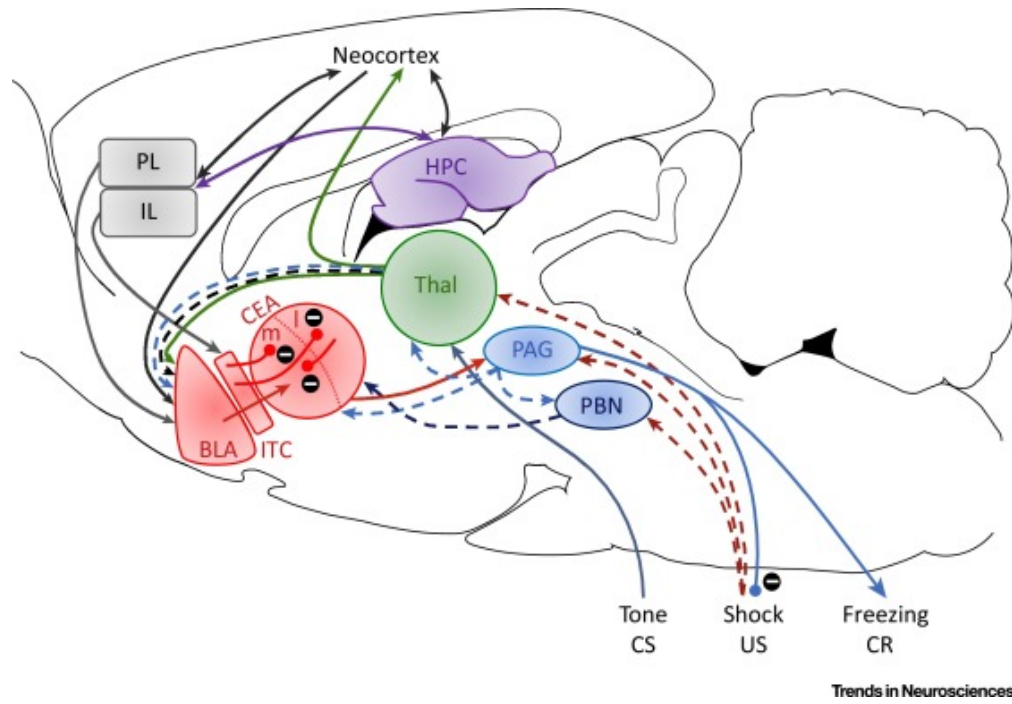


- Light/sound + footshock OR X-ray + saccharin vs
- Light/sound + X-ray or footshock + saccharin

Circuitry



(Brandão, Zanoveli, Ruiz-Martinez, Oliveira, & Landeira-Fernandez, 2008)



(Pellman & Kim, 2016)

- BLA, basolateral complex of the amygdala
- CEA, central nucleus of the amygdala
- ITC, intercalated cells of the amygdala
- PL, prelimbic cortex
- IL, infralimbic cortex
- HPC, hippocampus
- Thal, thalamus
- PAG, periaqueductal gray
- PBN, parabrachial nucleus

Brain under stress

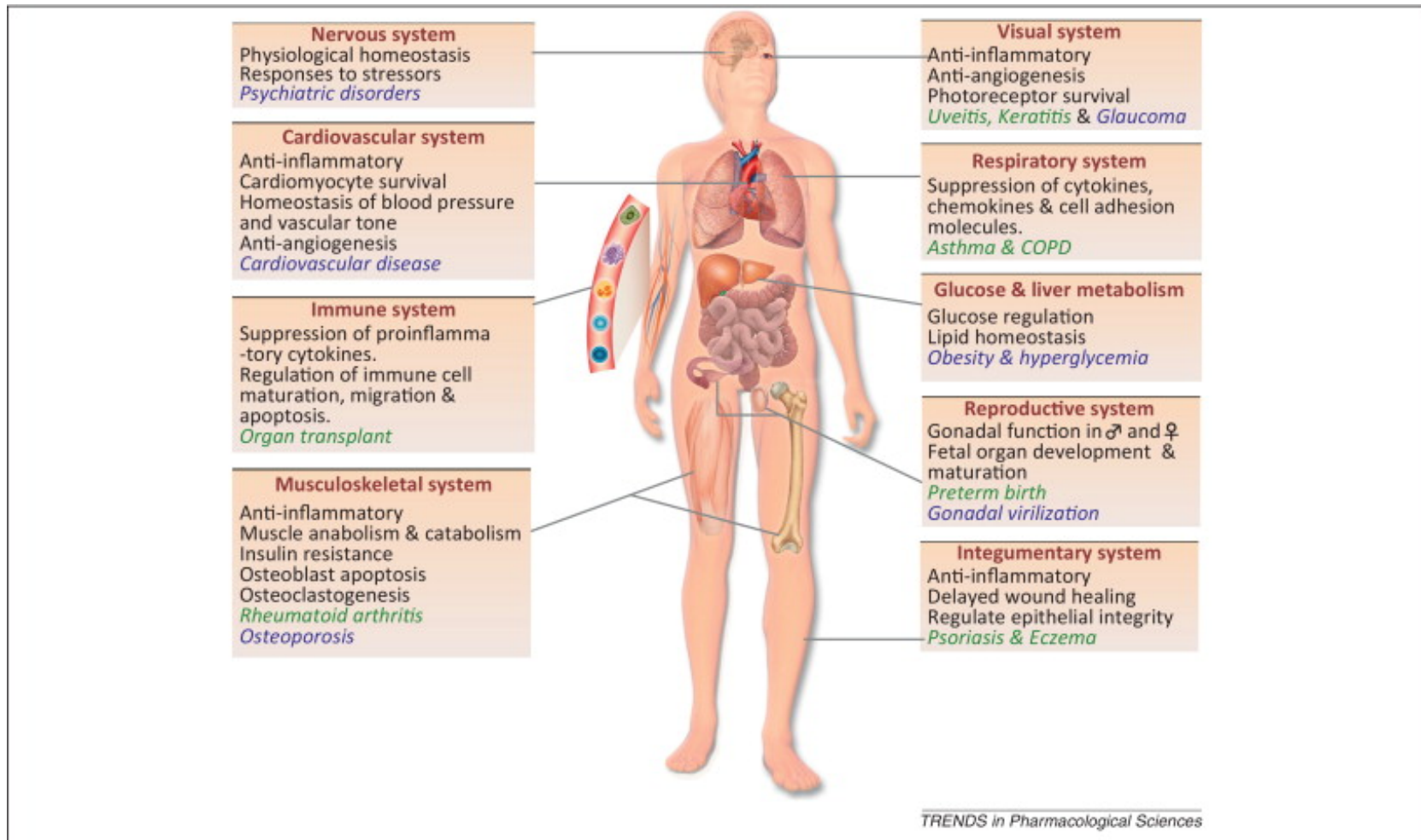
- **Acute stress**
 - Short duration
 - Fast action required
 - HPA (Cortisol), SAM (NE/Epi) axes
- Brain detects threat
- Mobilizes physiological, behavioral responses

Brain under stress

- vs. **Chronic** or stress
 - Long duration, persistent

Glucocorticoids

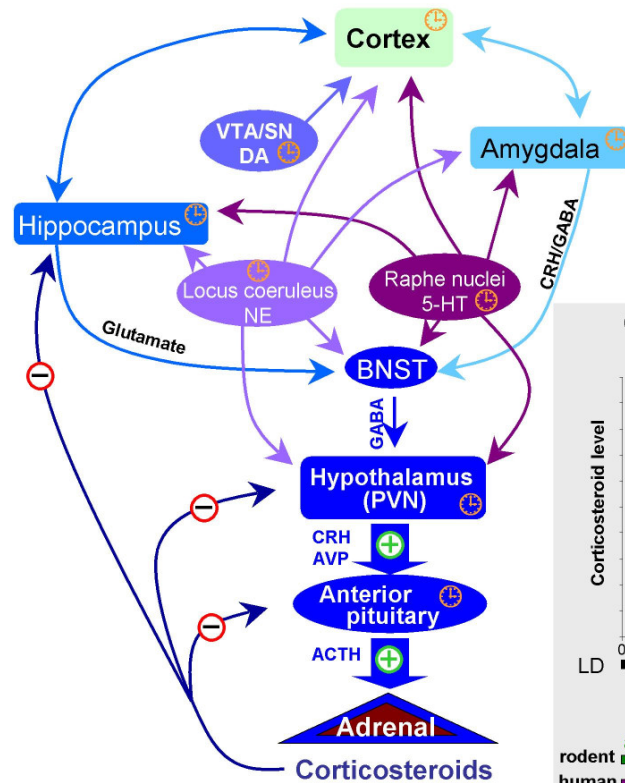
- Adrenal cortex releases hormones
 - Cortisol (hydrocortisone)
 - Increases blood glucose levels
 - Suppresses immune system
 - Reduces inflammation
 - Aids in metabolism
 - Receptors in brain and body



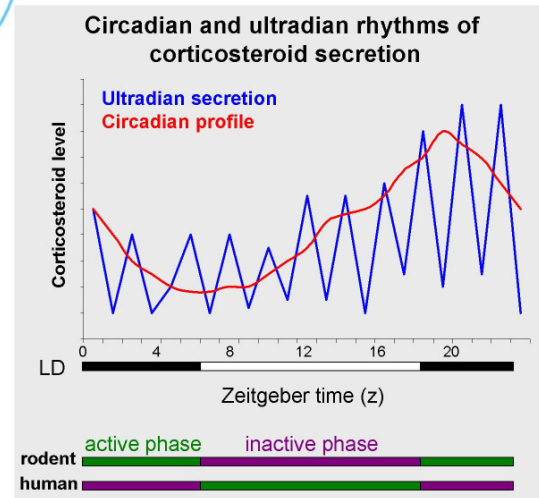
(Kadmiel & Cidlowski, 2013)

Glucorticoid receptors in body

Cortisol and the brain

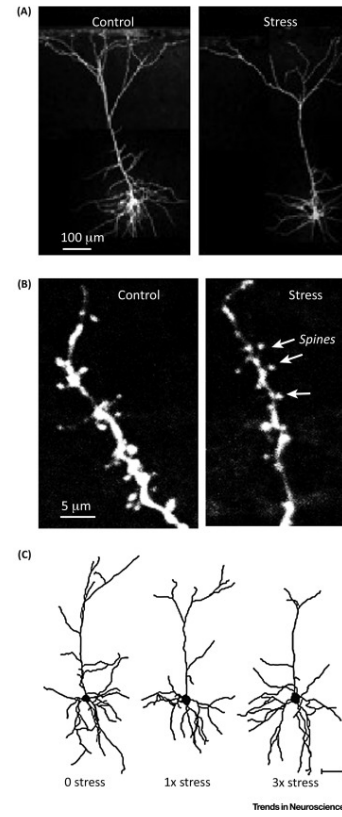


- rapid behavioral responses**
- memory consolidation and retrieval
 - fear and anxiety
 - aggression
 - locomotion
 - vigilance and gating
 - reward



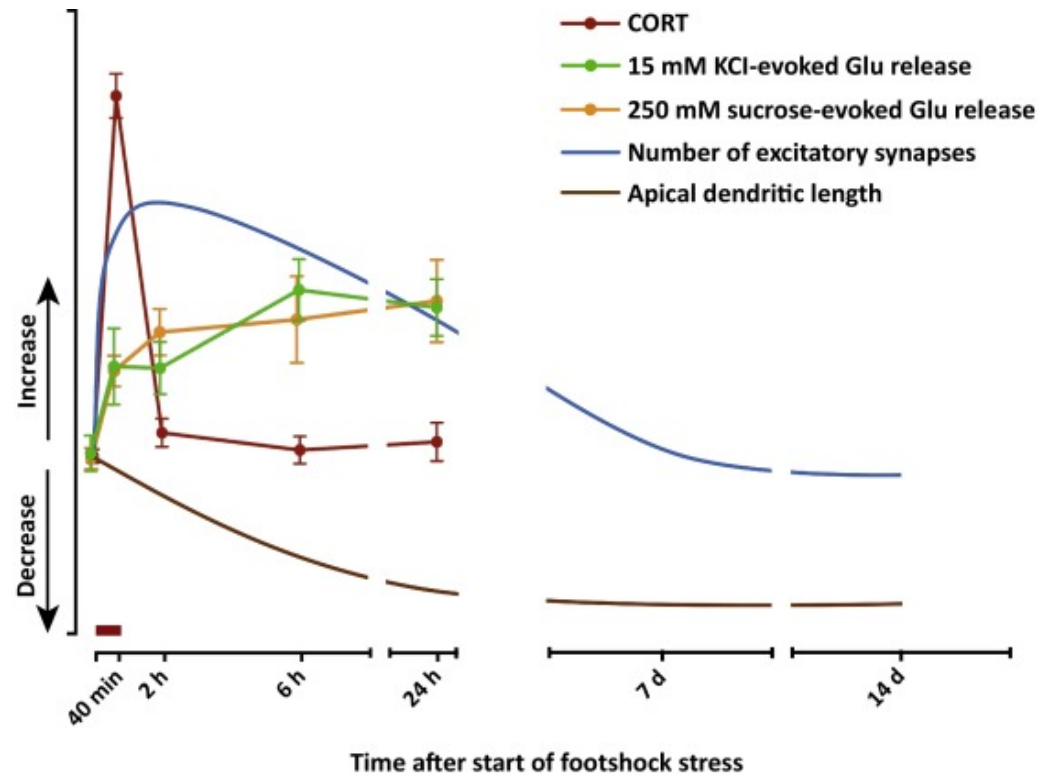
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Impacts of acute stress



[\(Musazzi, Tornese, Sala, & Popoli, 2017\)](#)

From cortisol to enhanced glutamate



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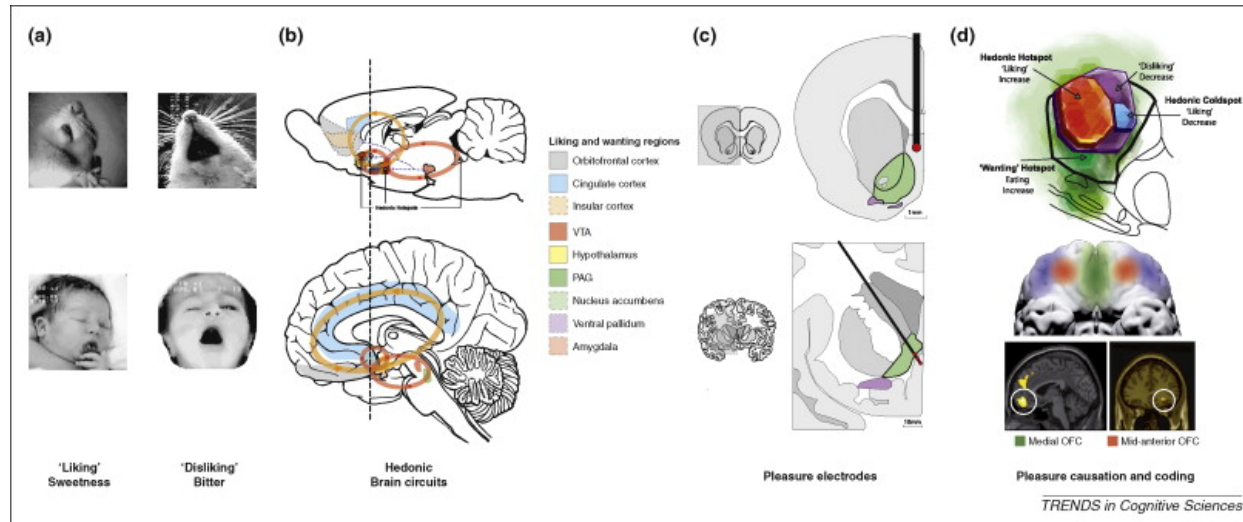
—Oliver Sacks



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Pleasure/reward

Neuroanatomy of 'happiness'



(Kringelbach & Berridge, 2009)

Rewards

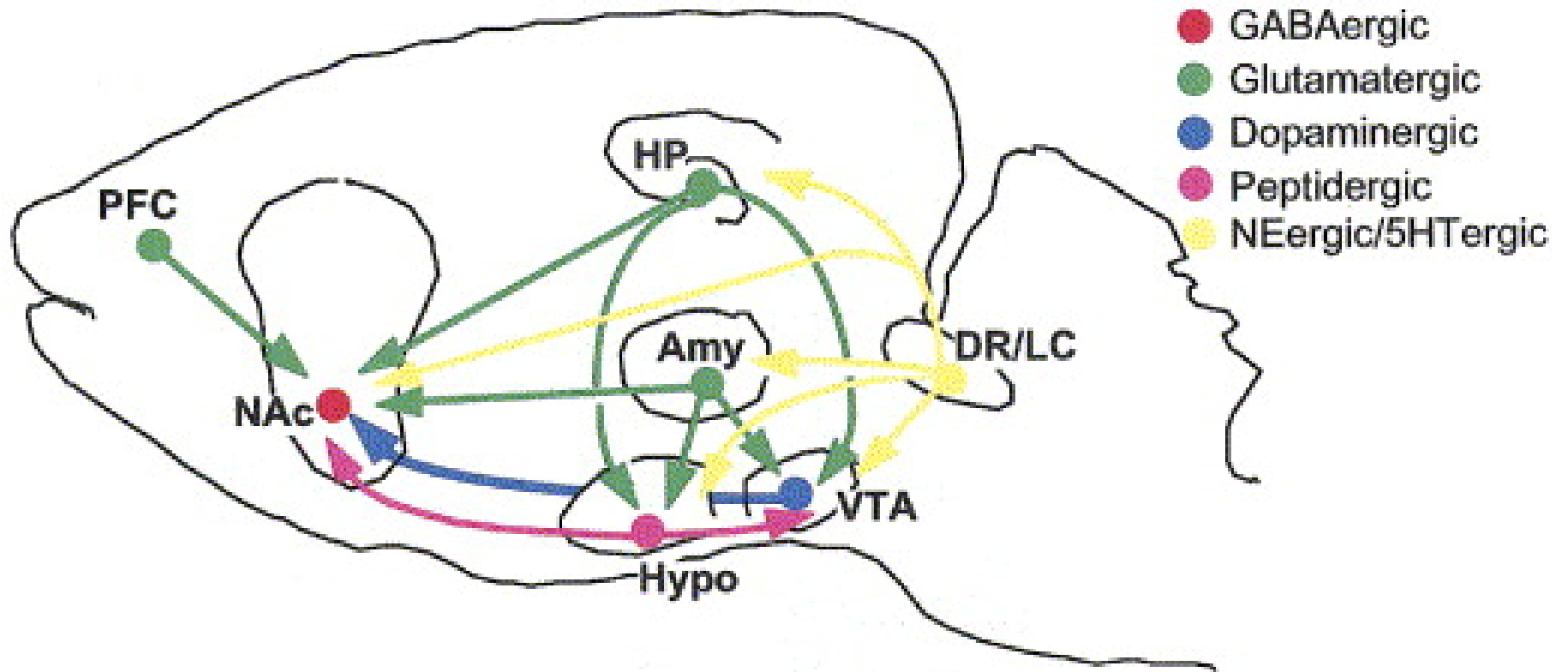
- A [reward](#) reinforces (makes more prevalent/probable) some behavior
- Milner and Olds ([Milner, 1989](#)) discovered 'rewarding' power of electrical self-stimulation
- ([Heath, 1963](#)) studied effects in human patients.

Electrical self-stimulation

Brain Mechanisms of Pleasure and Addiction



"Reward" circuitry in the brain



(Nestler & Carlezon, 2006)

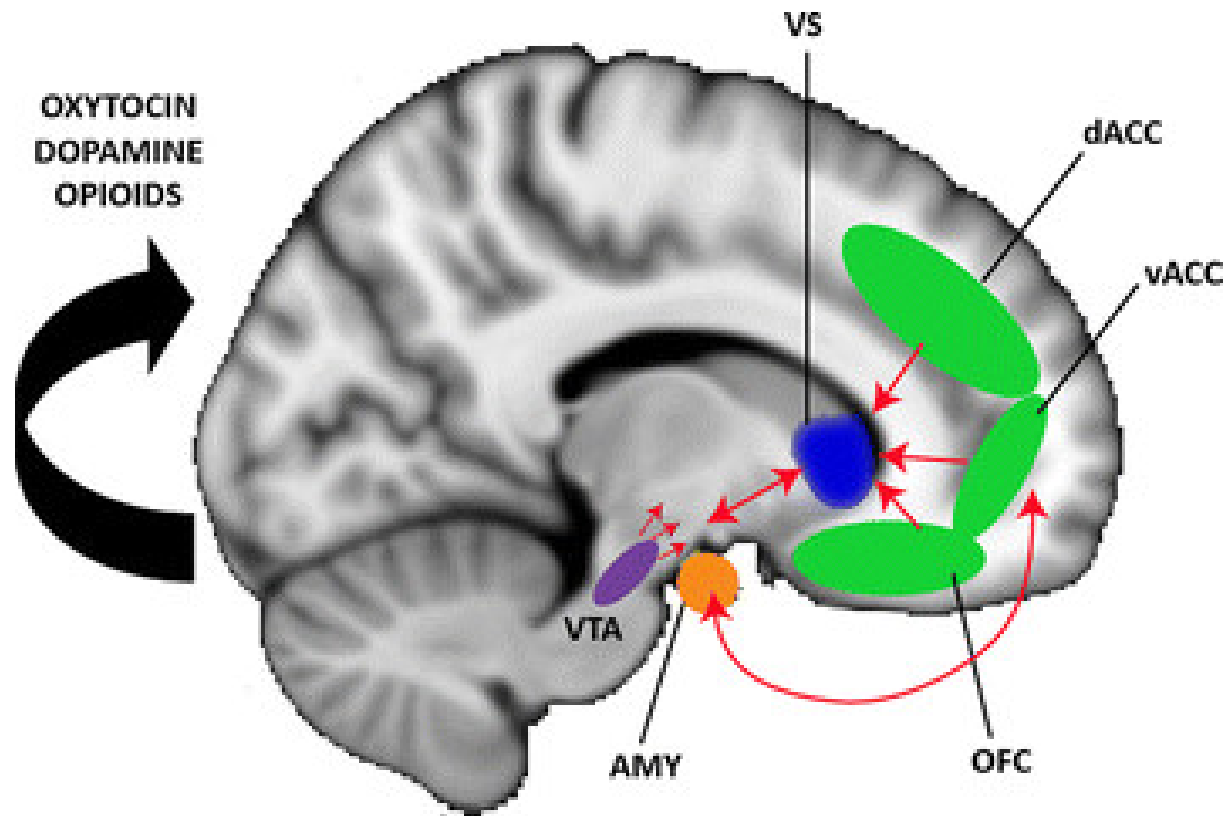
Components of the "reward" circuit

- Lateral Hypothalamus (Hyp)
- Medial forebrain bundle (MFB)
- Ventral tegmental area (VTA) in midbrain
- Nucleus accumbens (nAcc)
- Dorsal Raphe Nucleus/Locus Coeruleus (DR/LC)

Components of the "reward" circuit

- Amygdala (Amy)
- Hippocampus (HP)
- Prefrontal cortex (PFC)

Nucleus accumbens and dorsal striatum

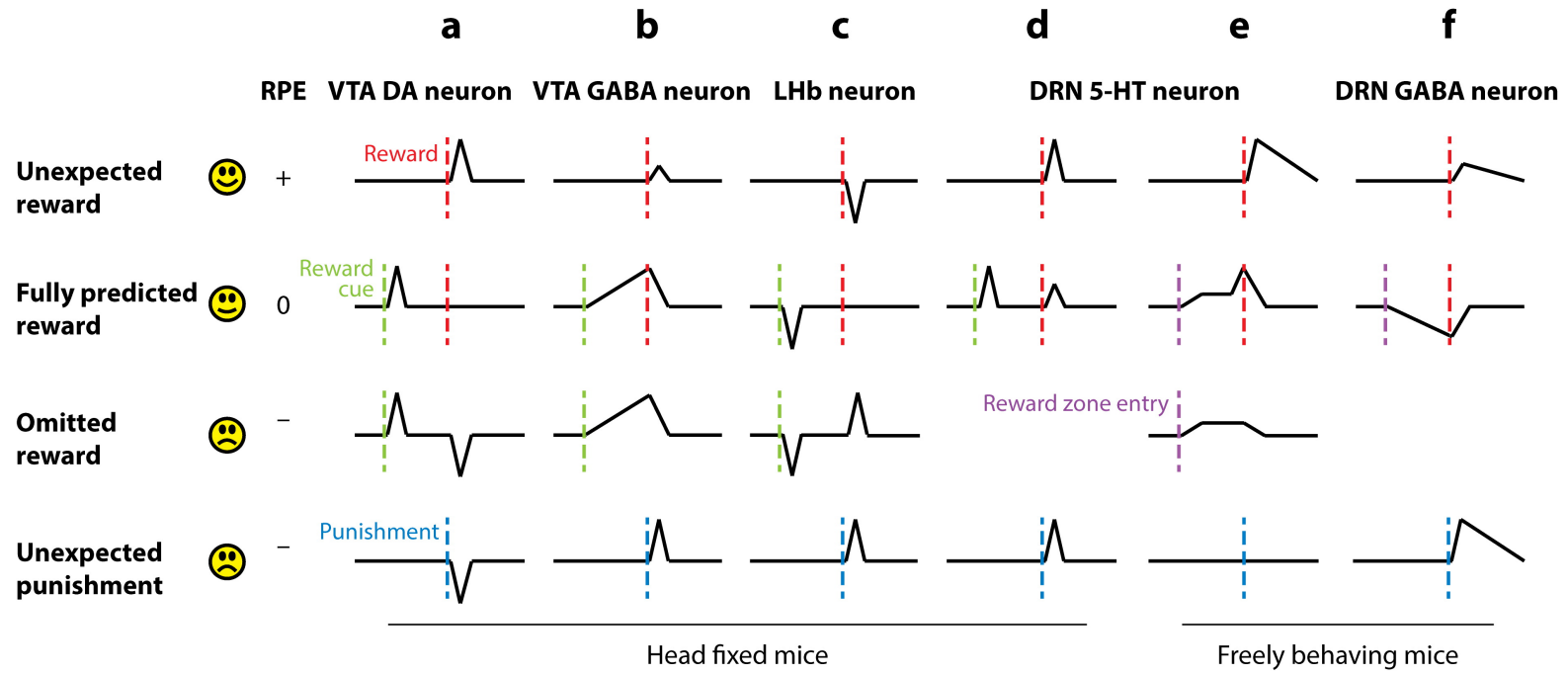


[\(Kohls, Chevallier, Troiani, & Schultz, 2012\)](#)

What does DA signal?

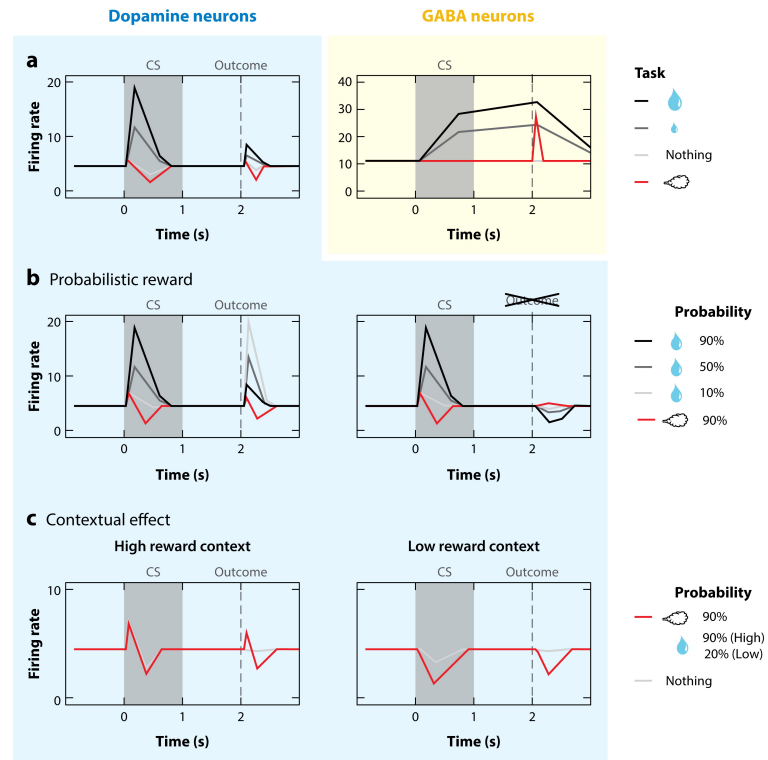
- Hedonia and anhedonia
- Incentive salience
- Reward prediction error (RPE)

RPE

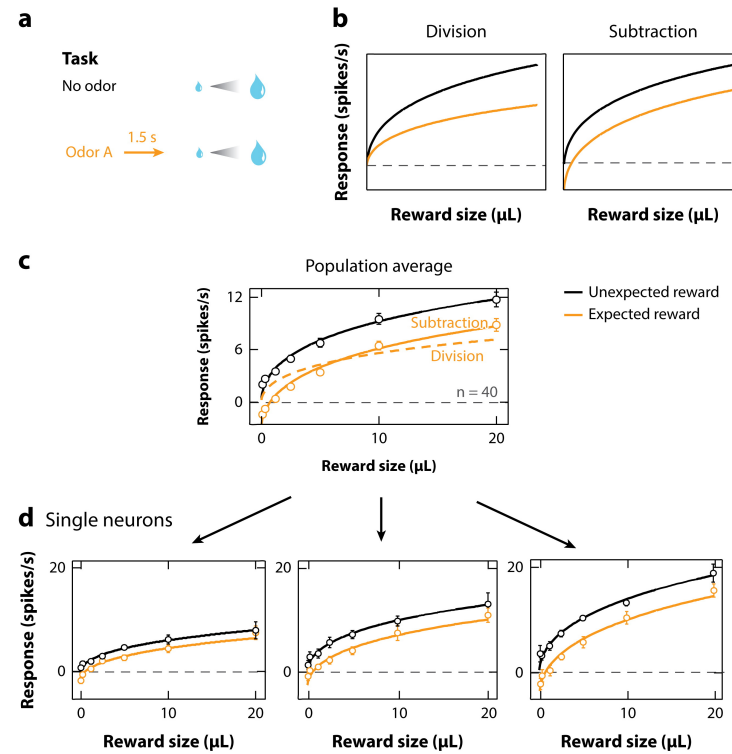


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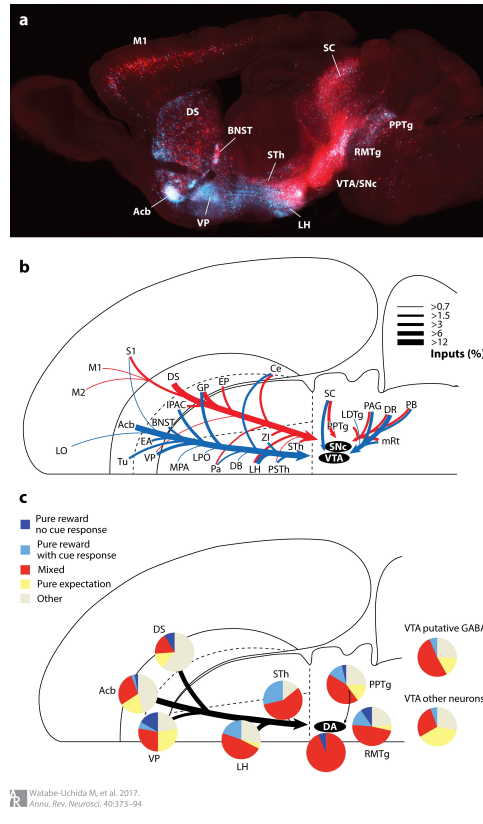
DA & GABA signaling in RPE



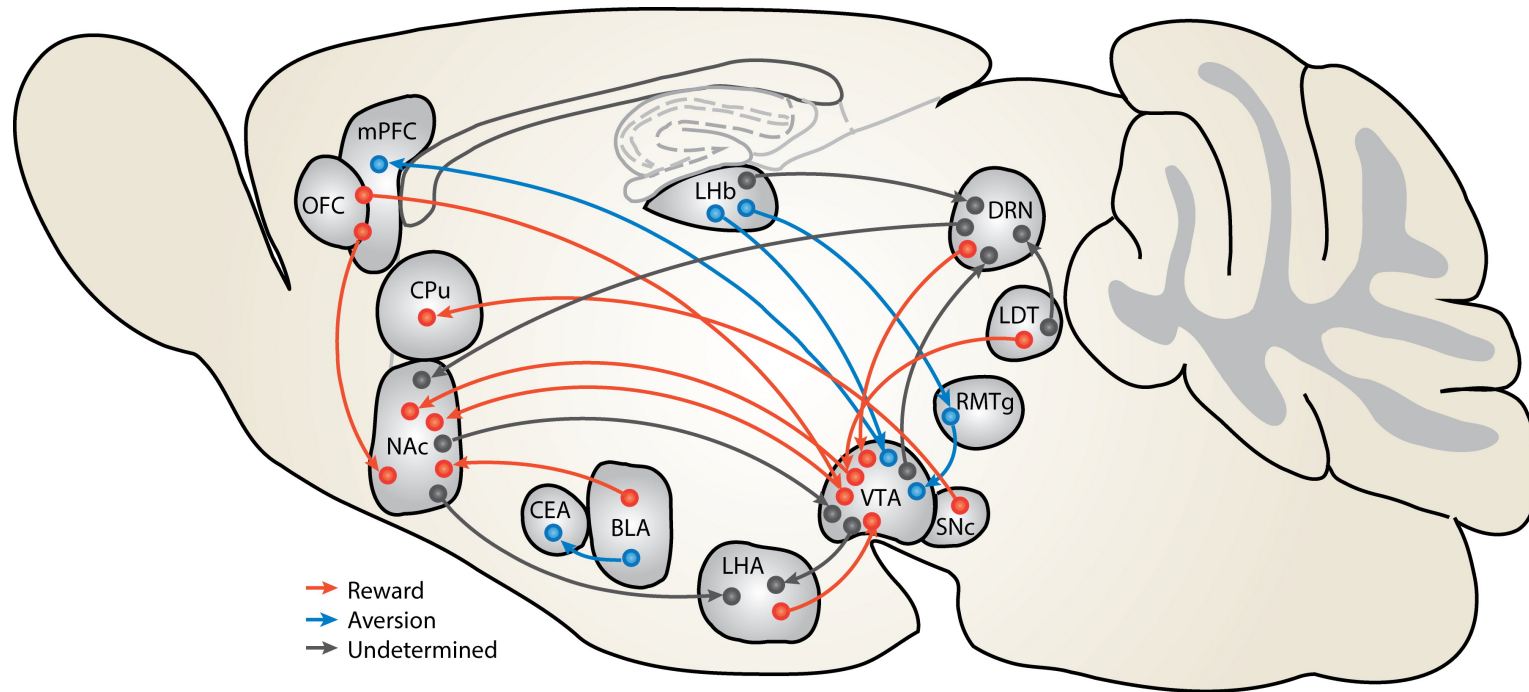
Expectation modulates DA signaling



DA network



Reward & Aversion Networks

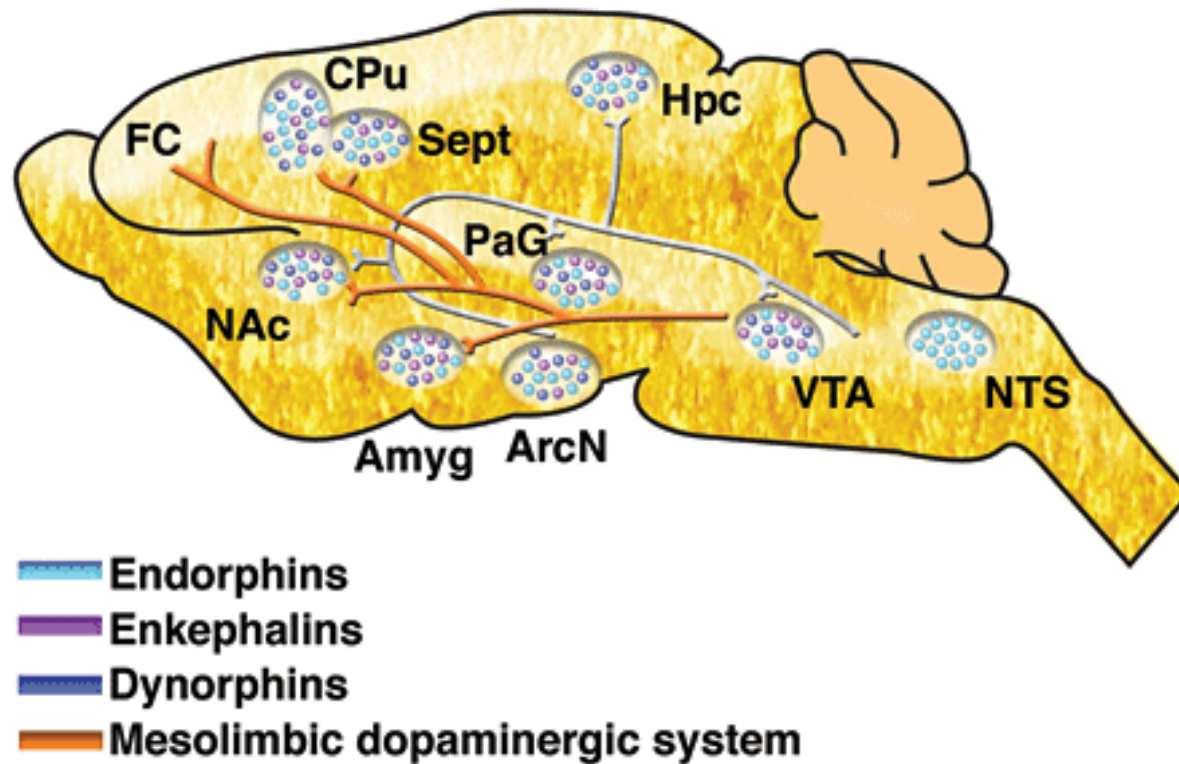


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Psychopharmacology of pleasure

- Dopamine
- Opioids
- Cannabinoids
- Serotonin, Norepinephrine
- ACh

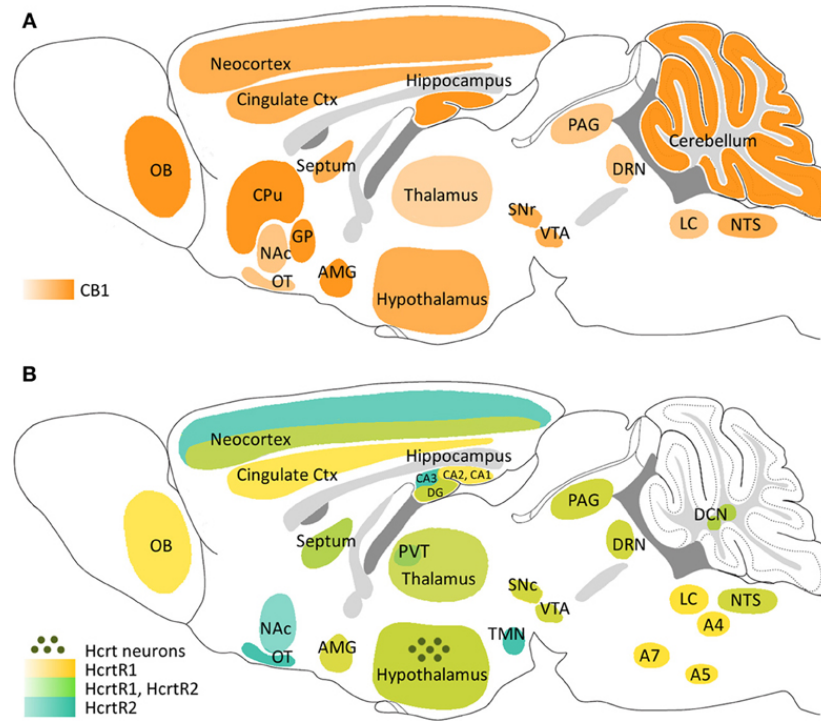
Endogenous morphine-like NTs (endorphins) from hyp, NST



(Clapp, Bhave, & Hoffman, n.d.)

Endogenous cannabinoid system

- Cannabinoids, psychoactive compounds found in cannabis
- Cannabinoid CB1 receptors in CNS; CB2 in body, immune system

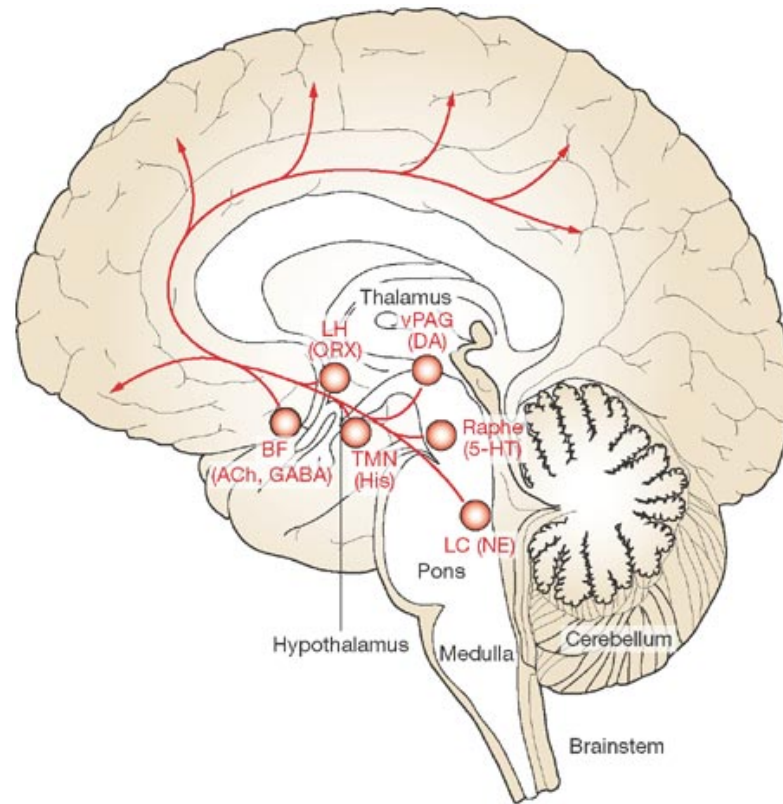


(Flores, Maldonado, & Berrendero, 2013)

Brain contains its own systems for binding drugs associated with 'pleasure'

- Endogenous opioids (endorphins)
- Endogenous cannabinoids

ACh projections in the CNS



(Cock, Vidailhet, & Arnulf, 2008)

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