





Transcranial Brain Stimulation: From Basics to Advanced Applications

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Non-invasive brain stimulation techniques such as transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS), transcranial electrical stimulation (tES), and since recently also transcranial ultrasound stimulation (TUS), are important tools in cognitive neuroscience and human neurophysiology. The ability to experimentally manipulate local neural activity allows the investigation of causal structure-function relationships that complement the correlative approach of neuroimaging and electrophysiology. "Online" approaches, assessing the immediate neural response to stimulation, can be used to (i) quantify neuronal network properties such as excitation, inhibition, or connectivity, (ii) interfere with ongoing spontaneous or task-related activity and thereby affect behavioral performance, or (iii) modulate the level and timing of neuronal activity. In contrast, "offline" approaches can be utilized to either (iv) inhibit or (v) facilitate local neuronal excitability via synaptic plasticity, assessing its subsequent effects on neural activity and behavior. This workshop consists of lectures and discussions covering the theoretical background on stimulation techniques, physiological mechanisms, experimental paradigms, and combination with neuroimaging/electrophysiology, as well as practical demonstrations and hands-on experience.

Tentative Programme

Day 1 – TMS Day 2 – tES, TUS and lab visit Day 3 – Advanced approaches

Physics & Fundamentals Approaches, Protocols, Paradigms How to Determine Stimulation Site and Intensity Neurophysiological Mechanisms Safety Lab Visit and Hands-on Experience Clinical Neurophysiology & Treatment Neuroenhancement & Ethical Considerations Combining Brain Stimulation with Neuroimaging TMS-EEG Recording & Analysis TMS-fMRI Recording & Analysis Brain State-dependent Brain Stimulation

Information

Time: Oct. 10.-12.2022, 10:00 - 17:00 h

Location: "Großer Hörsaal" (building 708) for all lectures, and Neuroimaging Center (building 308c) for the lab visit in the afternoon of day 2



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Credits: 3 CP

Fee: none (the workshop is only available for members of institutes participating in the *Rhine-Main Neuroscience Network;* <u>www.rmn2.de</u>)