

VADBA TELESA IN UMA ZA ZDRAVJE:

Fizična aktivnost in čuječnost za preprečevanje resnih psiholoških motenj

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RESNE PSIHOLOŠKE MOTNJE

- **Pogoste:** > 500 000 000 obolelih z depresijo in anksioznostjo¹
- **Problematične:** Vodilni razlog za izgubo zdravja in produktivnosti (*YLD*)¹
- **Drage:** Stanejo svetovno blagajno > 1 bilijon USD vsako leto²
- **Daljnosežne posledice:** ↑ smrtnost in druga obolenja, ↓ kakovost življenja^{3,4}

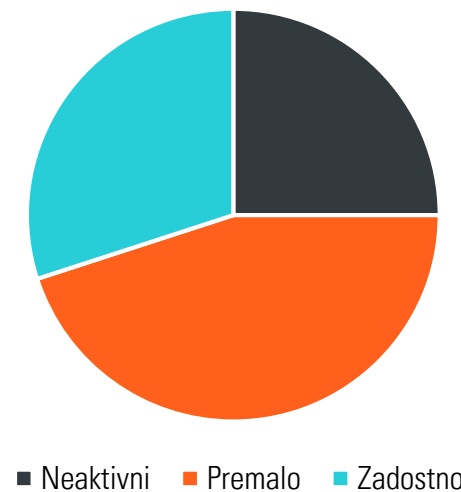
ZDRAVLJENJE PSIHOLOŠKIH MOTENJ

- Z zdravili – nezanesljivi učinki, pogosti stranski učinki
 - 10-30% uspešnost zdravljenja po enem letu⁵
 - 20-30% možnost prenehanja zaradi stranskih učinkov⁶
 - Antidepresivi (vrste SSRI) naslavljaajo napačen problem⁷
- Psihoterapija – učinkovita, a draga in zahtevna⁸
- Vedenjska medicina (*behavioural & lifestyle medicine*)
 - Telesna dejavnost, prehrana, spanje, preprečevanje zlorabe substanc
 - Vsi lahko učinkoviti, največ dokazov za telesno dejavnost⁹
 - Redki neželeni stranski učinki, pogosti koristni stranski učinki¹⁰

PREPREČEVANJE PSIHOLOŠKIH MOTENJ

- Preventiva > kurativa^{11,12}
- Redna telesna dejavnost
 - Stroka priporoča vsaj 150 min MVPA/teden¹³
 - Znatno zniža pojavnost depresije in anksioznosti⁹
 - Večina populacije EU ne dosega priporočil¹⁴
- Zakaj smo nezadostno aktivni?
 - Znanje ni problem
 - Način življenja, praktične in psihološke ovire¹⁵

Nivo telesne dejavnosti v EU



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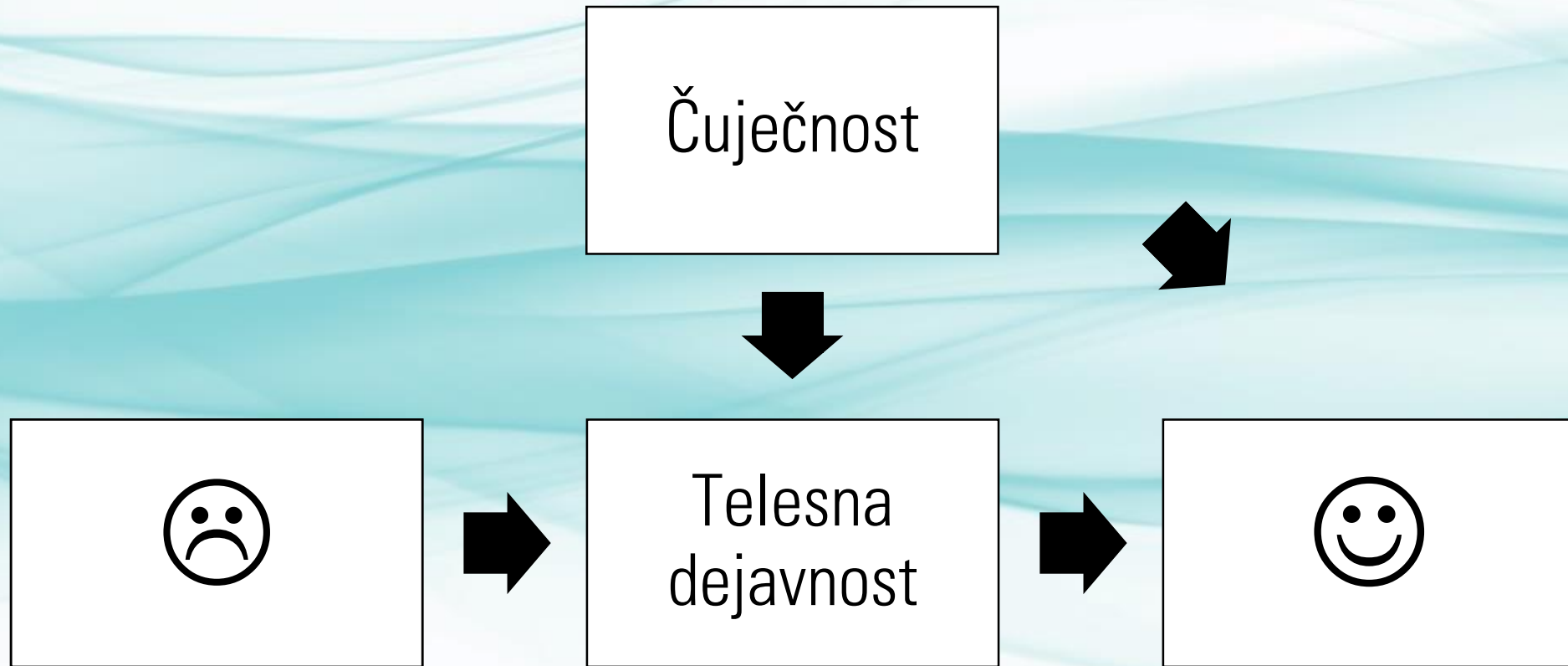
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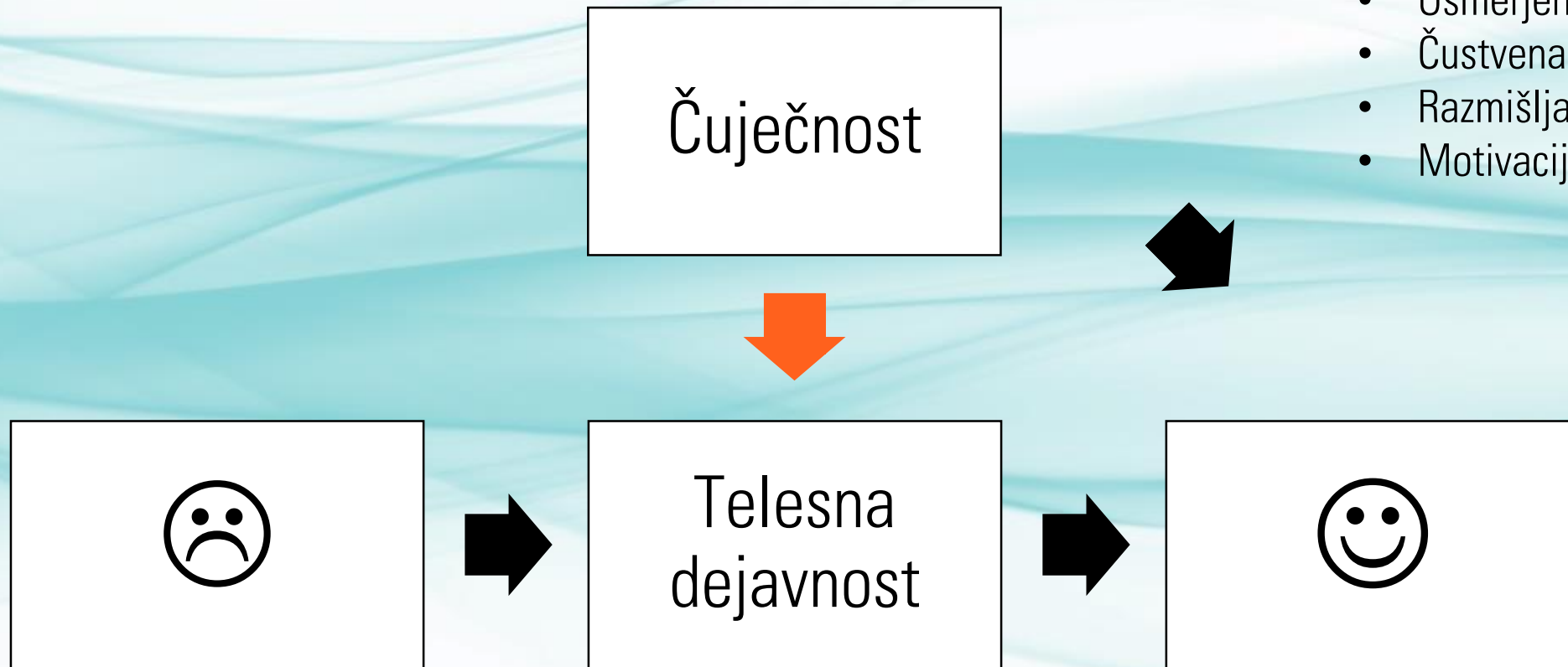
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Kako?

- Usmerjena pozornost
- Čustvena inteligenca
- Razmišljanja o sebi
- Motivacija

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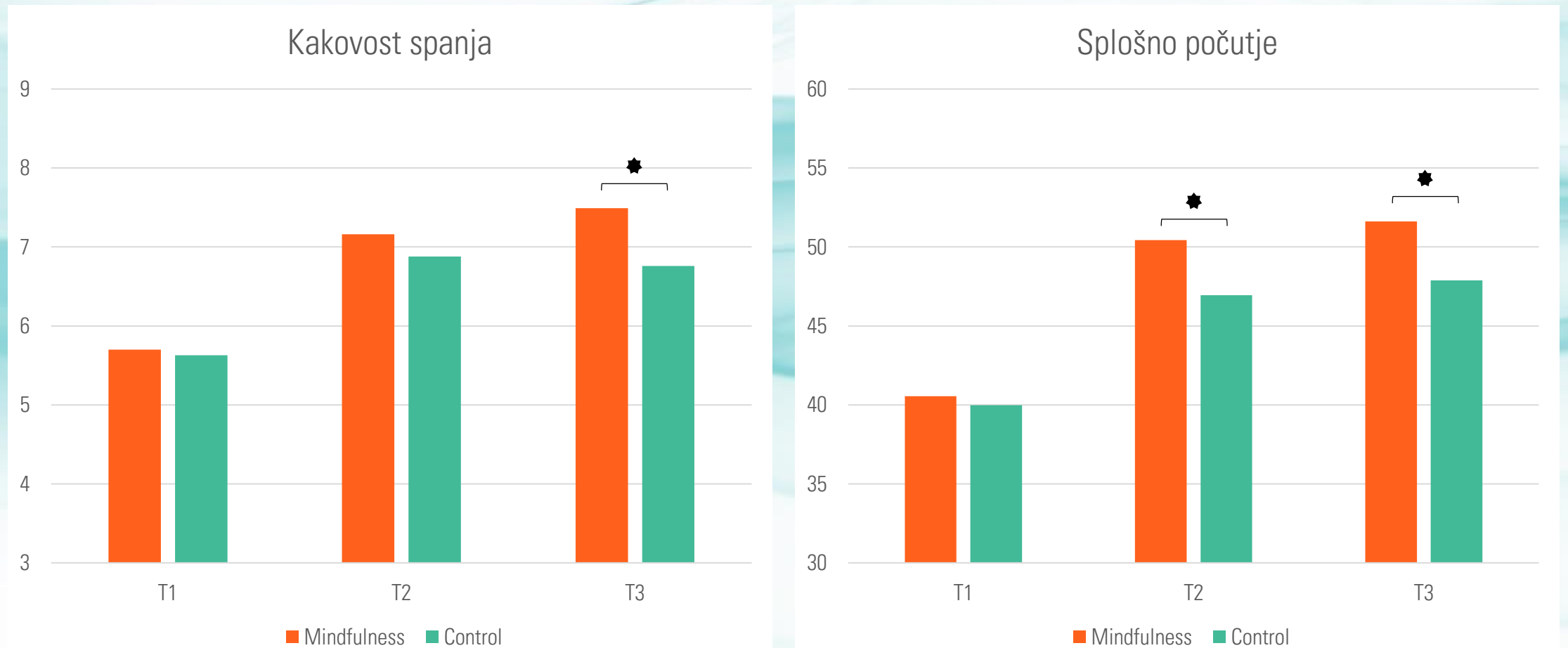
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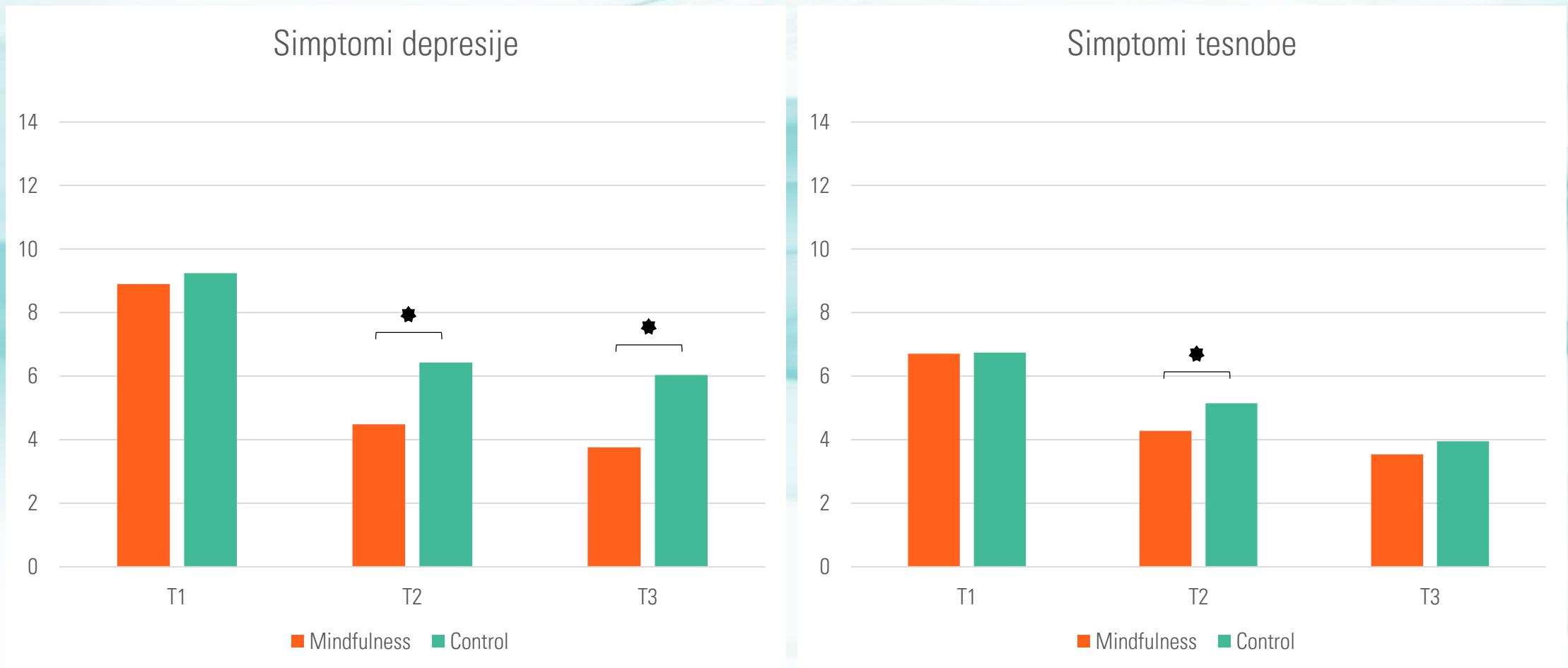
- RCT študija z velikim in raznolikim vzorcem ($N= 1247$)
- Cilj: Primerjava vadbe čuječnosti z aktivno kontrolno skupino
 - 30 dni x 10 min čuječnosti ali odlomek iz avdio knjige
- Zanimali so nas:
 - Splošno počutje (*psychological wellbeing*)
 - Depresija, anksioznost, stres, kakovost spanja
 - Psihološki procesi povezani s skrbjo za zdravje (*health maintenance behaviours*)



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- Ali se počutje izboljša zaradi psiholoških procesov, povezanih s skrbjo za zdravje?
(Longitudinal lagged mediation analysis)
 - Da – delni vpliv na počutje in depresijo skozi **izboljšano motivacijo** in bolj **pozitiven odnos do skrbi za lastno zdravje**
- Omejitve
 - Visok osip
 - Raziskani le splošni procesi – potrebno izmeriti za posamezne navade
- Še v pripravi za objavo

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- Cilj: Sistematičen pregled literature o *behaviour change interventions* s kombinacijo telesne dejavnosti in čuječnosti
 - BCI vsebuje telesno dejavnost in čuječnost v zadostni meri
 - Odrasla populacija, brez omejitev glede obolenj
 - Vsaj en psihološki *outcome*
- Šest preiskanih spletnih baz
 - PubMed, Scopus, EMBASE, PsychINFO, Web of Science, The Cochrane Library
- 6389 zadetkov
- 25 vključenih študij

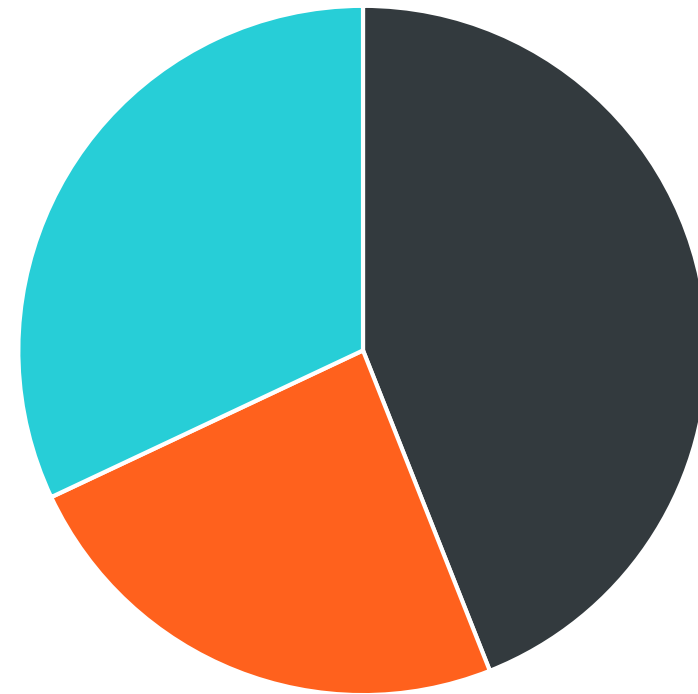
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Tip študije



■ Feasibility ■ CT ■ RCT

Tip kontrolne skupine



■ Pasivna ■ Aktivna ■ Več tipov

KAJ JE ŽE ZNANEGA?

- Zaključki glede izvedljivosti (*feasibility & acceptability*)
 - Kombinirane intervencije dobro sprejete
 - Najbolj izvedljive digitalne intervencije in tiste, primerne začetnikom
- Zaključki glede učinkovitosti (*effectiveness*)
 - 9/13 študij prijavilo izboljšanje počutja v primerjavi s pasivno kontrolno skupino (*waitlist, TAU*)
 - 5/14 študij prijavilo izboljšanje počutja v primerjavi z aktivno kontrolno skupino, npr. telesna dejavnost
 - Mešani zaključki vpliva na količino redne telesne aktivnosti
- Omejitve
 - Zaenkrat malo literature, večina v testni fazi, različni nameni študij
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KAKO PONUDITI KOMBINIRANO VADBO?

- Cilj: raziskati možnosti za in vtise o kombinaciji telesne dejavnosti in čuječnosti
- Kvalitativni pol-strukturirani intervjuji s 16 študenti z 10 univerz po Združenem Kraljestvu
- *Reflexive Thematic Analysis*²²
- Omejitve:
 - Študentski vzorec

1. Dualist view of health

- Mind & Body: Distinct but connected
- Exercising body but not mind

2. Low-point paradox of health behaviours

3. Unfamiliarity with mindfulness practice

- Misconceptions inhibit practice
- Recognising mindfulness during exercise

4. Whole is greater than the sum of its parts

- Benefits of mindful awareness during exercise
- Barriers to mindful awareness during exercise

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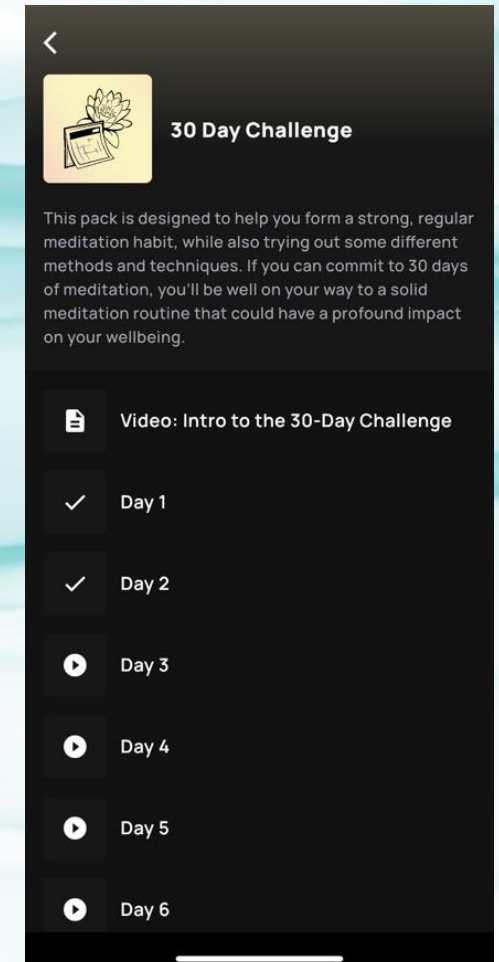
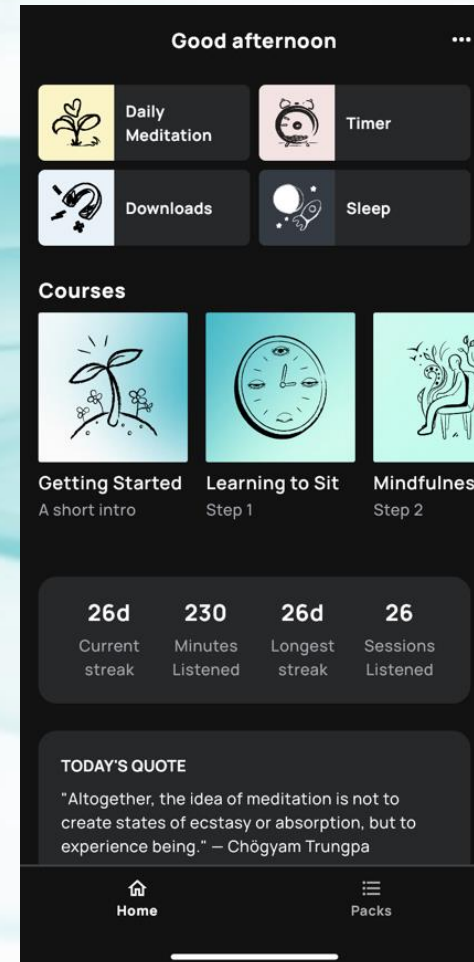
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USTVARJANJE NOVIH VSEBIH

- V sodelovanju s fundacijo Medito
 - www.meditofoundation.org, mobilna aplikacija
- Dva nova sklopa za usmerjeno vadbo čuječnosti:
 - *Getting started with exercise*
 - *Staying active*
- Vsak 30 posnetkov s po 10 min vodene vadbe
- Tri strokovne skupine
 - Za čuječnost
 - Za telesno dejavnost
 - Za digitalne vsebine in uporabniško izkušnjo



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Preučevanje **možganskih dinamik** v **mobilnih** in ekološko veljavnih **okoljih**

Kognitivno-motorična interferenca
in kapacitete pozornosti

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Pregled

Uvod v tematiko

Pionirska študija:

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Uvidi študij s področja preučevanja
kognitivno-motorične interference in kapacitete pozornosti

PhD Študija 1: Stroop In Motion

Phd Študija 2: Neuromuscular assessment in early Parkinson Disease Patients

Zakaj potreba po preučevanju naravne kognicije?



Visoko kontrolirano okolje

Utelešena kognicija
(*Embodied cognition framework*)

EEG (elektroencefalogram) podvržen k
z gibanjem/mišično aktivnostjo povezanim
artefaktom

Kompromis med ekološko veljavnostjo in ustrezno kvaliteto podatkov

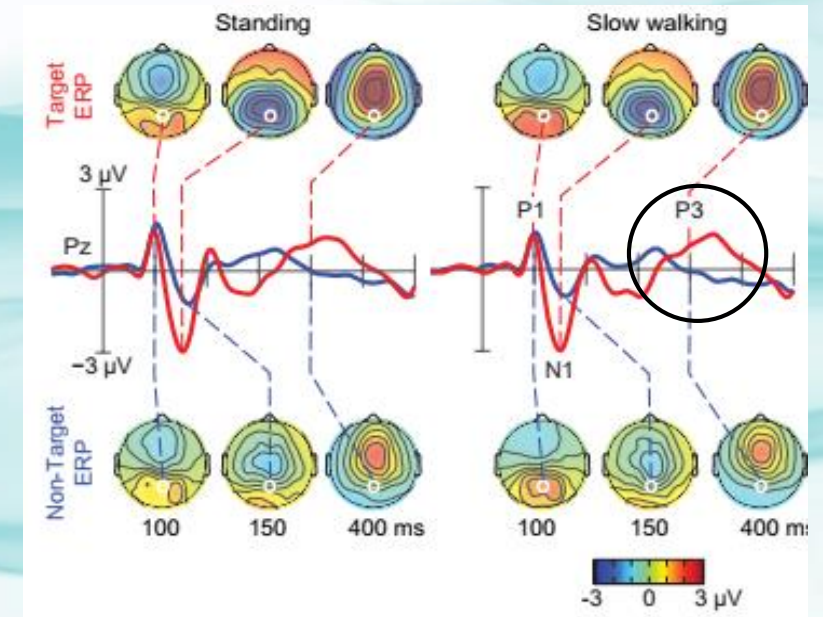
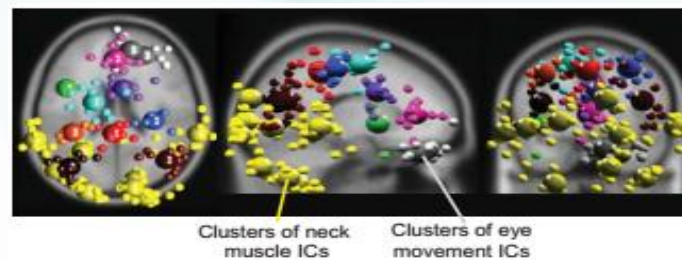
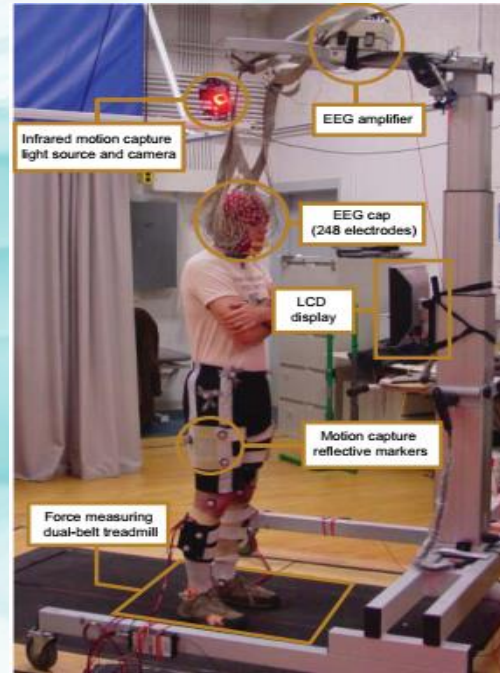
Izvedljivost preučevanja možganske aktivnosti med gibanjem

Izzivi:

- Naprava: mobilna, (pre)nosna, brezžična, visoka časovna preciznost → EEG
- Zagotavljanje kvalitete podatkov → strojno učenje

Pionirska študija:

- Vidna naloga pozornosti stoje in med hojo
 - Event-related potential (ERP)
- Ločitev prispevka možganskih in ne-možganski virov



P3 kot indeks pozornosti
→ v neskončnost?

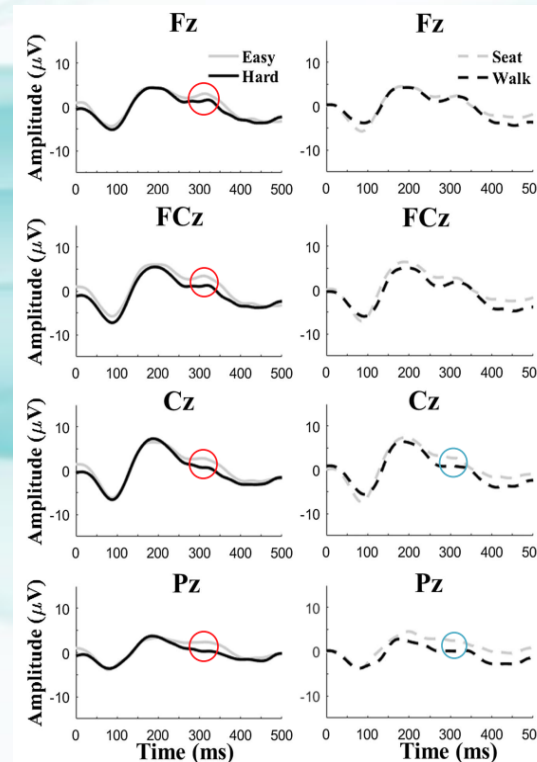
P3 odraža zahteve *in* kapacitete pozornosti

Primarna naloga (udeleženec):

- Naloga vidne kategorizacije
- Sede in med hojo po treadmilu

Manipulacija pozornosti (raziskovalec):

- Slušni dražljaji iz realnega sveta
 - ERP: P3 modulacija v odnosu do primarne naloge



P3 amplituda odvisna od prostih resursov pozornosti

Sinteza

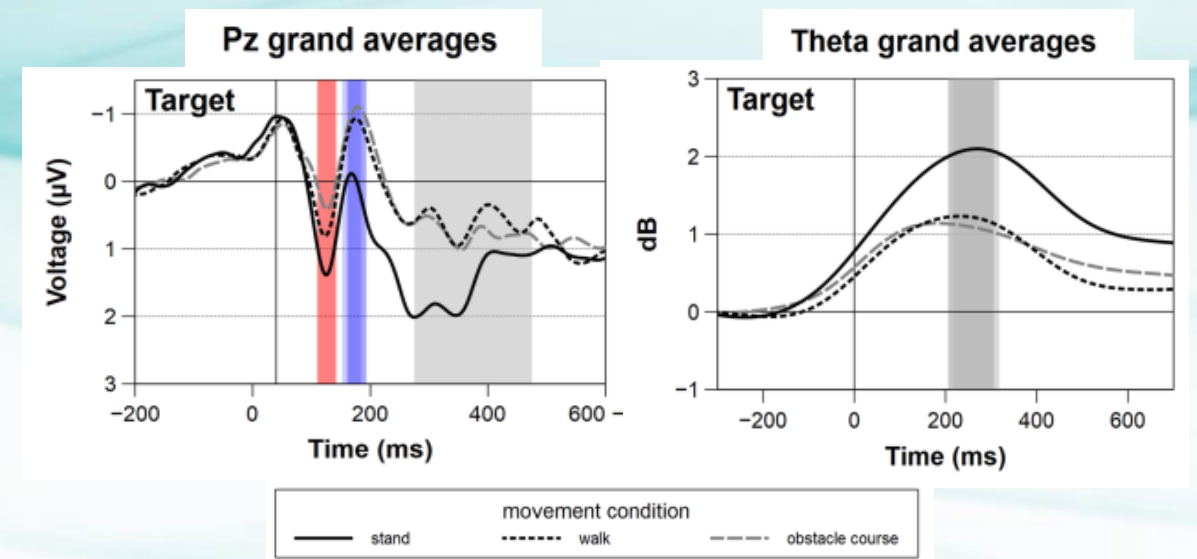
Poviševanje zahtevnosti naloge zvišuje amplitudo P3 komponente, ampak samo dokler je na voljo dovolj resursov.

Motorične in kognitivne obremenitve črpajo iz iste zaloge resursov.

Kognitivno-motorična interferenca.

Frekvenčni spekter:

- Povišanje moči teta oscilacij (4-8Hz) ob mentalnem naporu
- Pri istem nalogi med hojo pa teta nižja



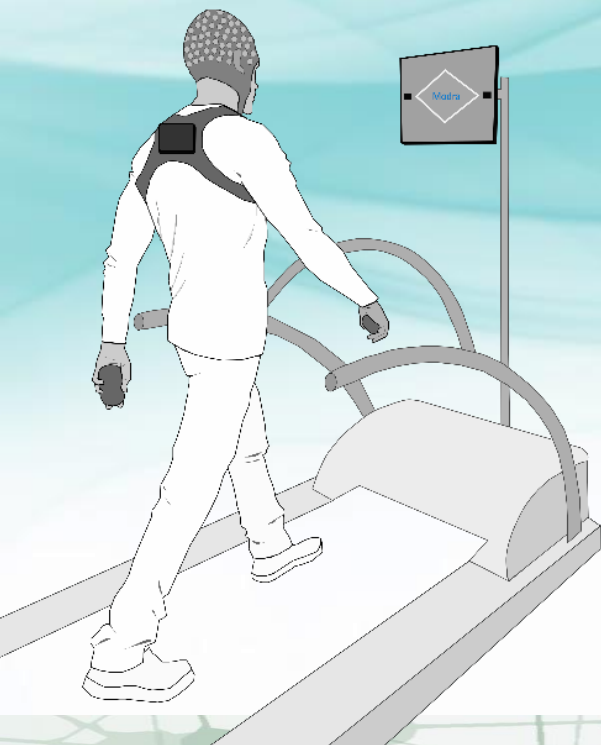
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Motivacija:

Sistematična manipulacija težavnosti kognitivne *in* motorične naloge [3 x 3]

- K: Preberi besedo, Poimenuj barvilo, Mešana
- M: sede, stoje, hoja

Dobro preučena psihološka paradigma, nikoli med gibanjem z EEG



Preberi besedo
Word-reading Task

Poimenuj barvilo
Ink-naming Task

Neskladni
incongruent



Modra

Skladni
congruent



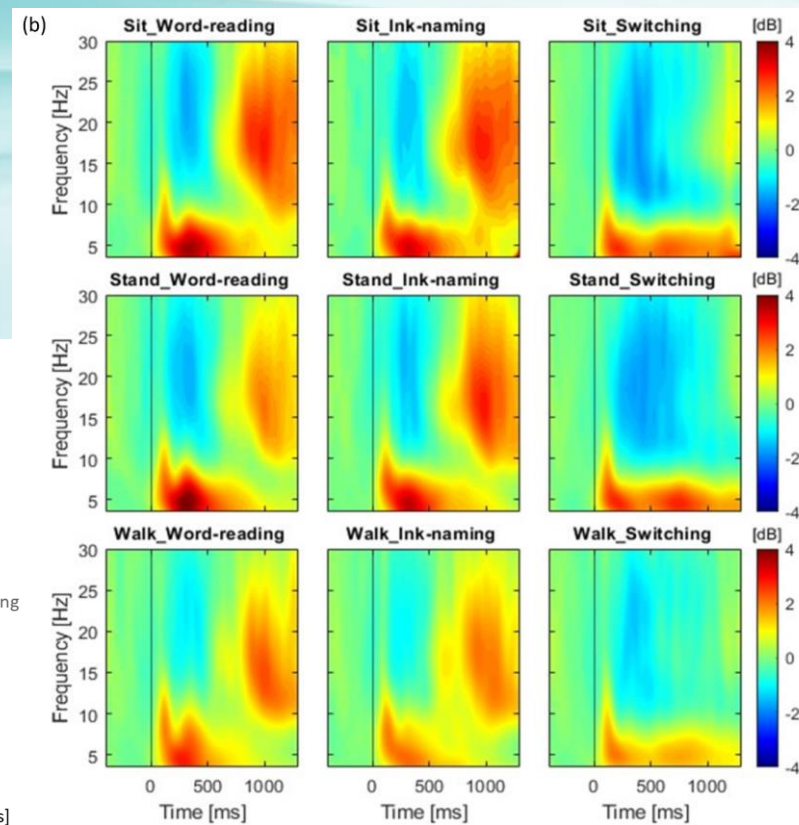
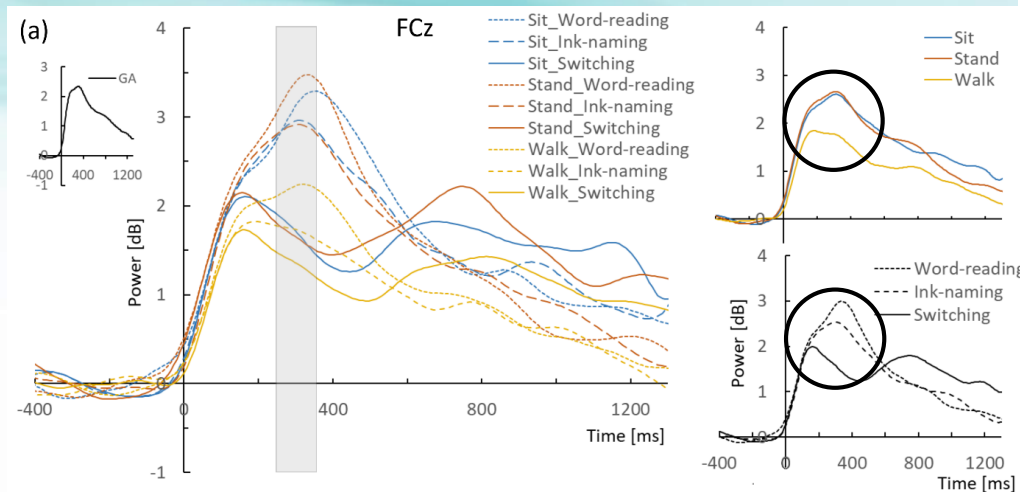
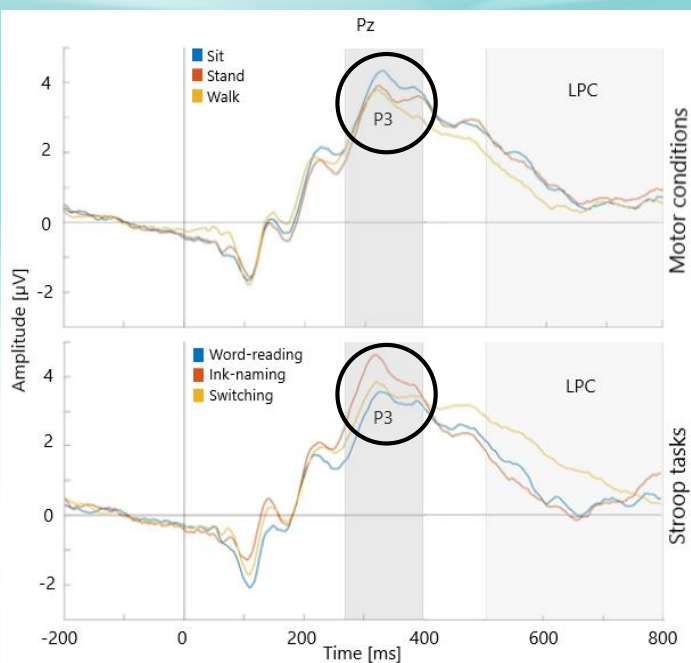
Modra

PhD študija: Stroop in Motion

Kognitivno-motorična modulacija P3 amplitude in moči teta oscilacij

- zniževanje P3 z zviševanjem motorične kompleksnosti
- U-trend znižanja P3 pri najpreprostejši in najkompleksnejši kognitivni nalogi
- Zniževanje teta moči z zviševanjem kognitivne in motorične kompleksnosti

Med opravljanjem najtežje kognitivne naloge manipulacija motoričnih pogojev brez učinka



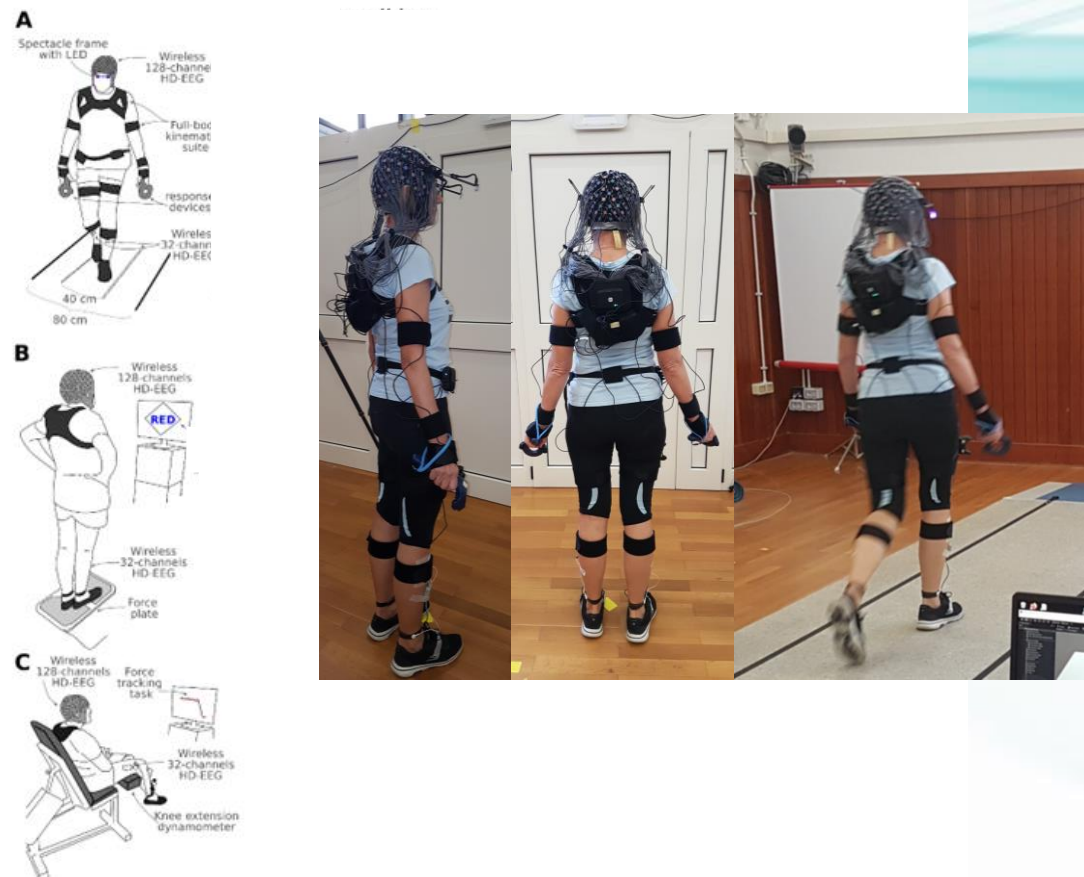
PhD študija: Stroop in Motion

Mehanizmi procesiranja informacij med gibanjem na nevrofiziološkem področju.

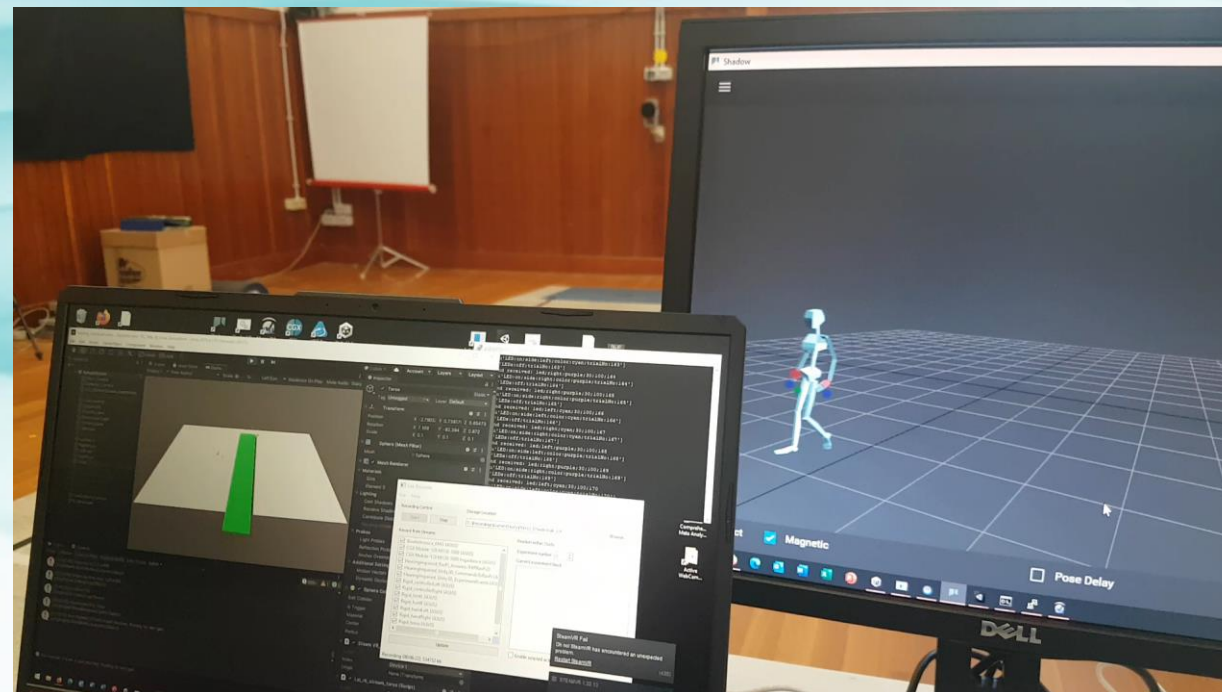
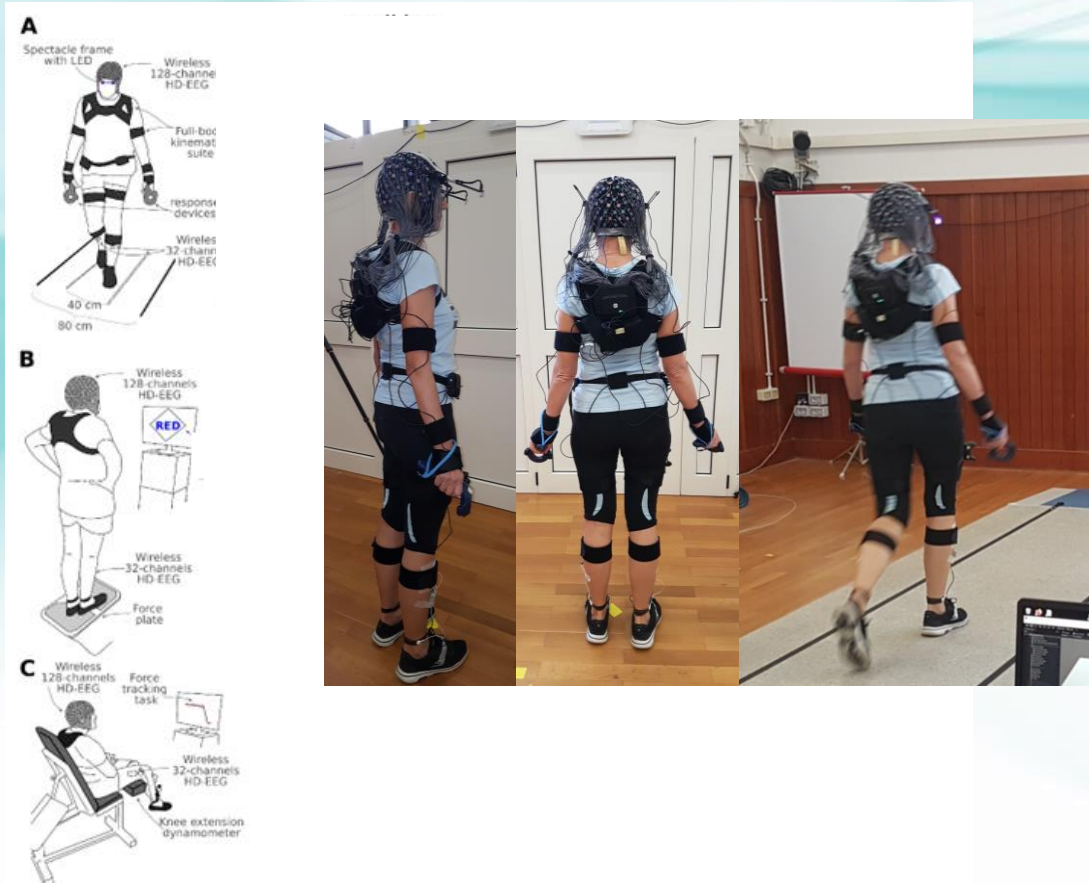
Konsistentnost v kognitivnem procesiranju med gibanjem.

Možganski signal je multidimenzionalen: Prostorska, časovna, komunikacijska omejitev naših izsledkov.

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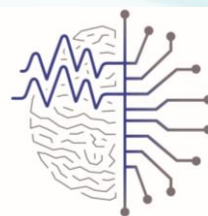
Hvala za pozornost!

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„Posture first“ strategy

- Cilj – povečevanje ekološke veljavnosti

Cognitive effort can be assessed by EEG spectral power

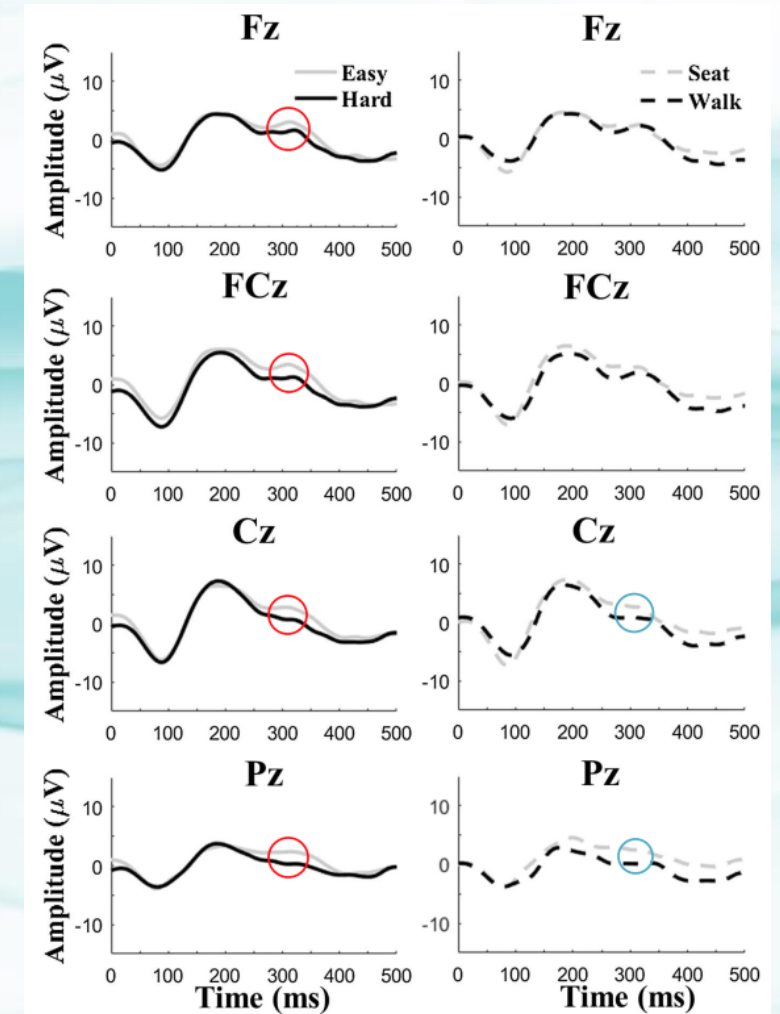
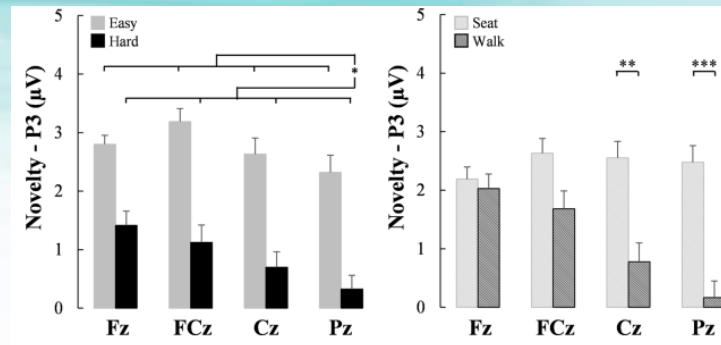
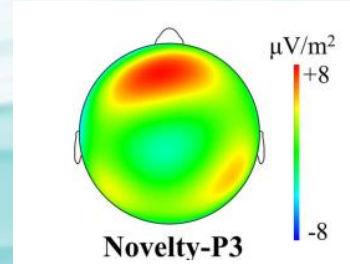
- Increases in Frontal Theta and decrease in Alpha index
increased recruitment of attentional resources

- The first study that utilized both EEG biomarkers to assess mental workload during locomotion:

Results

ERP:

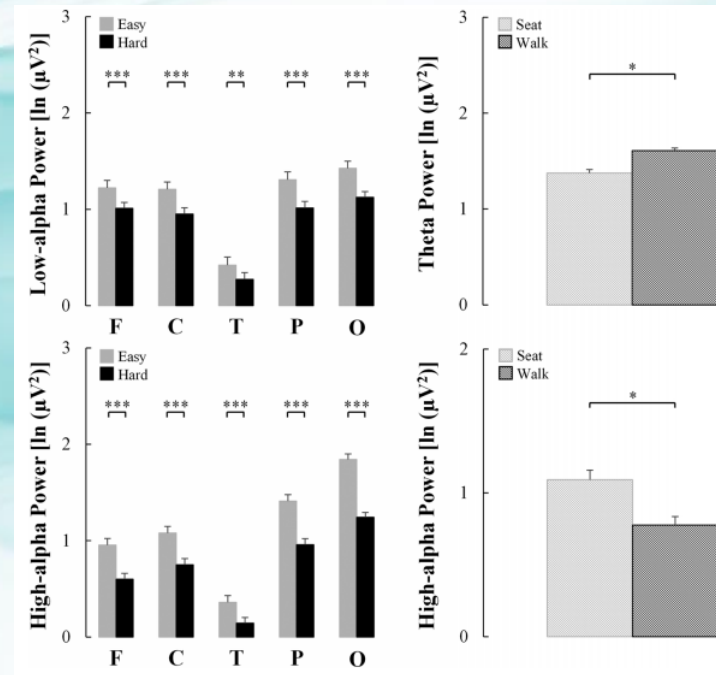
- Novelty-P3 amplitude
 - reduced in hard task compared to easy task
 - reduced in walking compared to seating at Cz and Pz



Results

Spectral power:

Alpha power was lower (desynchrony) for hard compared to easy condition in all regions → Indicating higher mental effort



Theta power was higher for walking compared to seating → Indicating higher mental effort

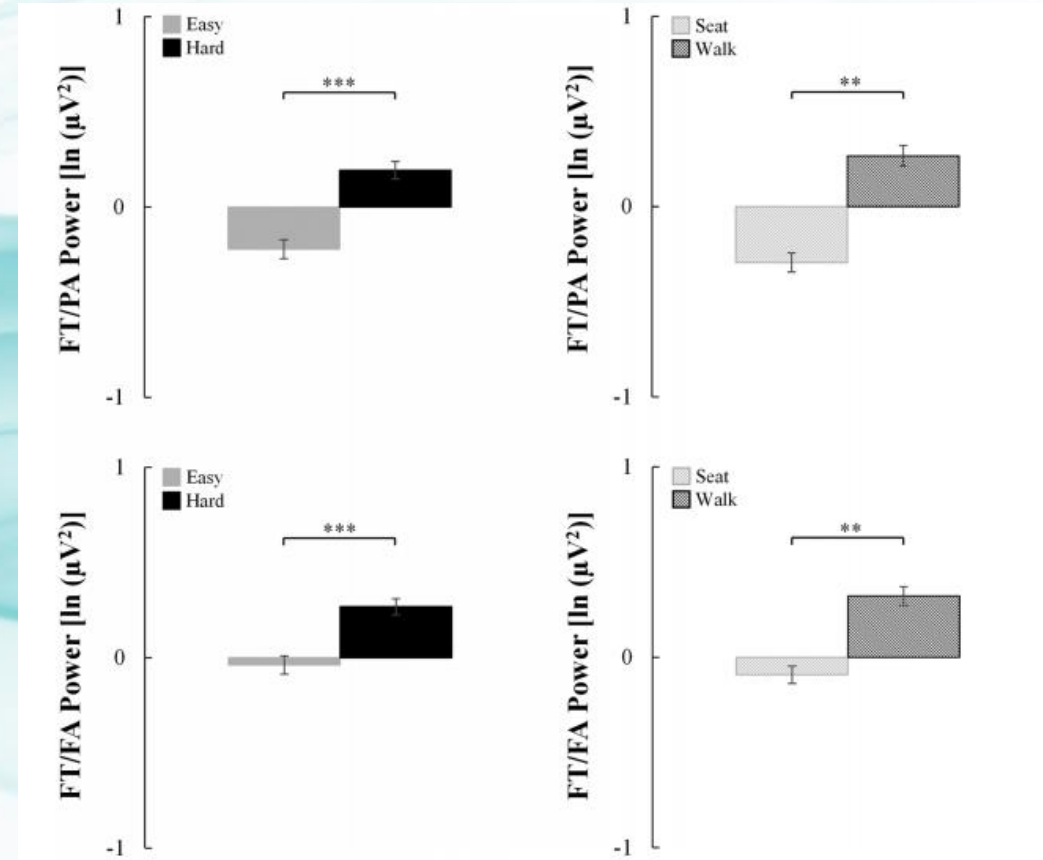
Alpha power was lower for walking compared to seating → Indicating higher mental effort

Results

Ratios of
Frontal Theta / Frontal Alpha (FT/FA) and
Frontal Theta / Parietal Alpha (FT/PA):

- Elevated for hard compared to easy task
- Elevated for walk compared to seat condition

→ Higher ratio indicating higher mental effort

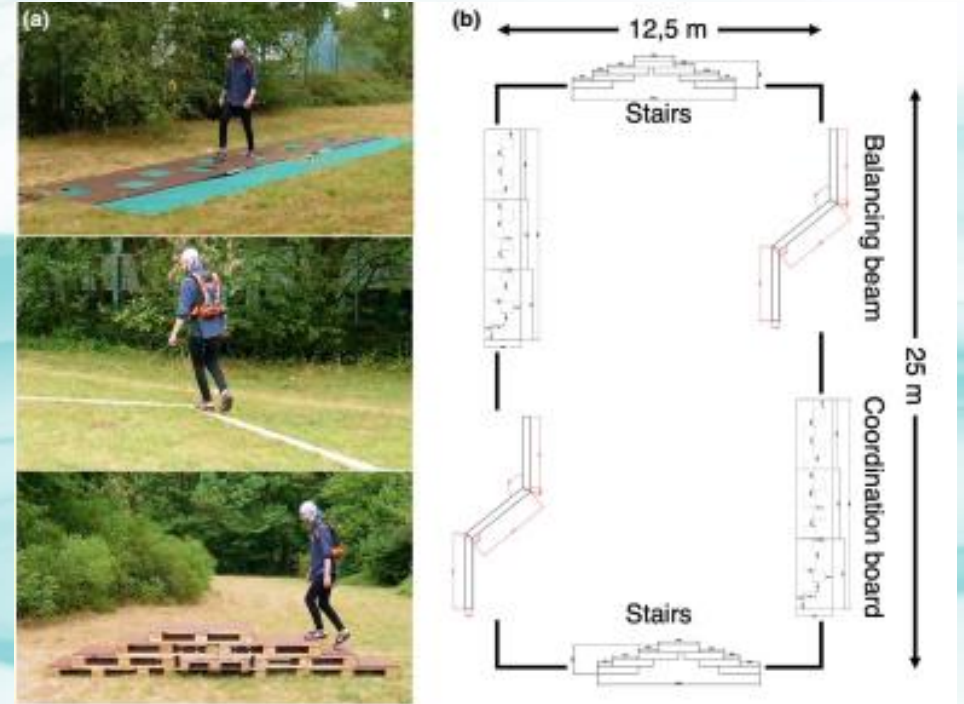


Highlights

- Validation study
- ERP and spectral power analysis can collectively index changes in cognitive workload associated with either cognitive or motor domains
- When task difficulty increased from easy to hard in both seated and walking conditions, we observed:
 - Diminished ATTENTIONAL RESERVE indicated by decreased novelty-P3 amplitude
 - Elevation of COGNITIVE EFFORT, indicated by increased theta/alpha ratio, and decreased alpha
- Questions, comments?

Introduction & Methods

- Cognitive task + outdoor movement conditions:
 - Standing, walking, traversing obstacle course
- 30 channel EEG
- 20 healthy participant
- Outcome measures
 - Response times, accuracy
 - NASA-TLX
 - Frontal Theta power
 - ERPs components (vary with resource allocation):
 - P2 (rearly attentional processes)
 - N2 (executive response mechanism, inhibition)
 - P3 (stimulus updating and categorization processes, negative correlation with task difficulty)

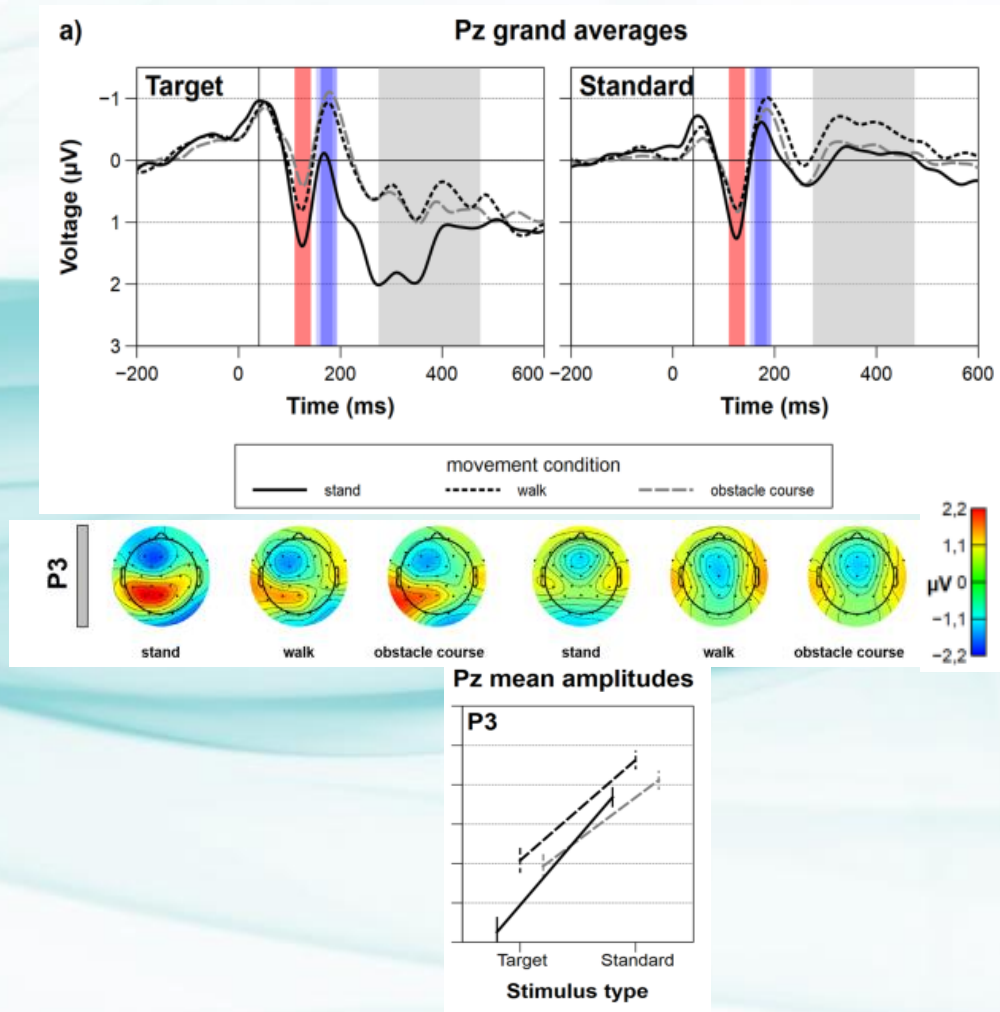


Study 1: Auditory oddball task

- Stimuli: Standard and oddball
 - 2 pure sine waves (low=600Hz, high=900Hz)
 - Button press in response to target oddball
- Hypotheses:
 - → higher power – higher mental effort
 - → For all ERP components a high task difficulty in a dual-task setting was linked to decreased amplitudes

RESULTS

- Behavioural :
 - Response times & NASA-TLX (effort, cognitive and physical demand) increased for more challenging movement conditions
- ERP at Pz:
 - Target stimuli exhibit more positive P3 deflection than standard stimuli
 - Larger P3 amplitudes for standing compared to walking and obstacle traversing



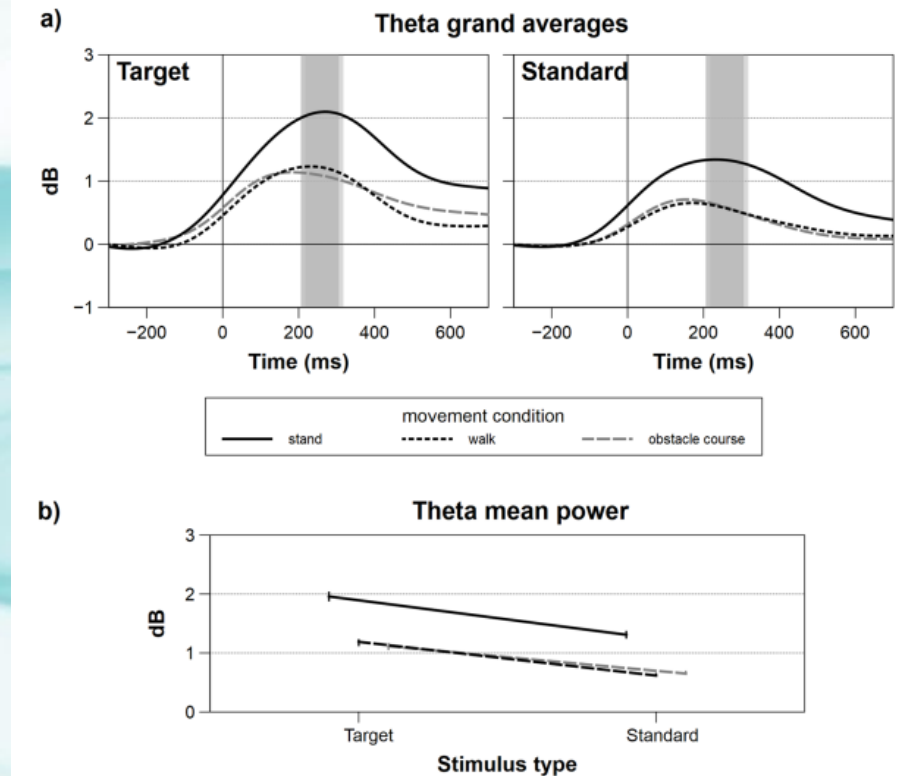
Study 1: Auditory oddball task

- Frontal Theta spectral power
 - Increased for target as opposed to standard
 - Increased in the standing condition compared to the locomotion
 - Indicating a decline in focused attention for cognitive task during locomotion; behavioural results confirm this
 - Posture first?

CONCLUSIONS

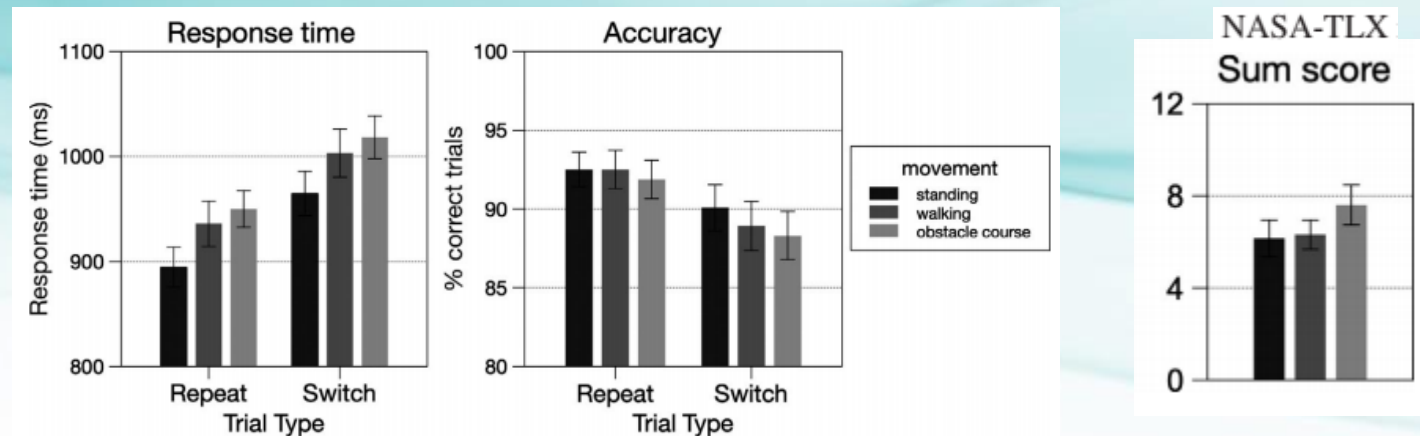
- With higher motor workload, decreased availability of attentional resources results in lower cognitive performance
- Support a common cognitive-motor pool of attentional resources

Questions, comments?



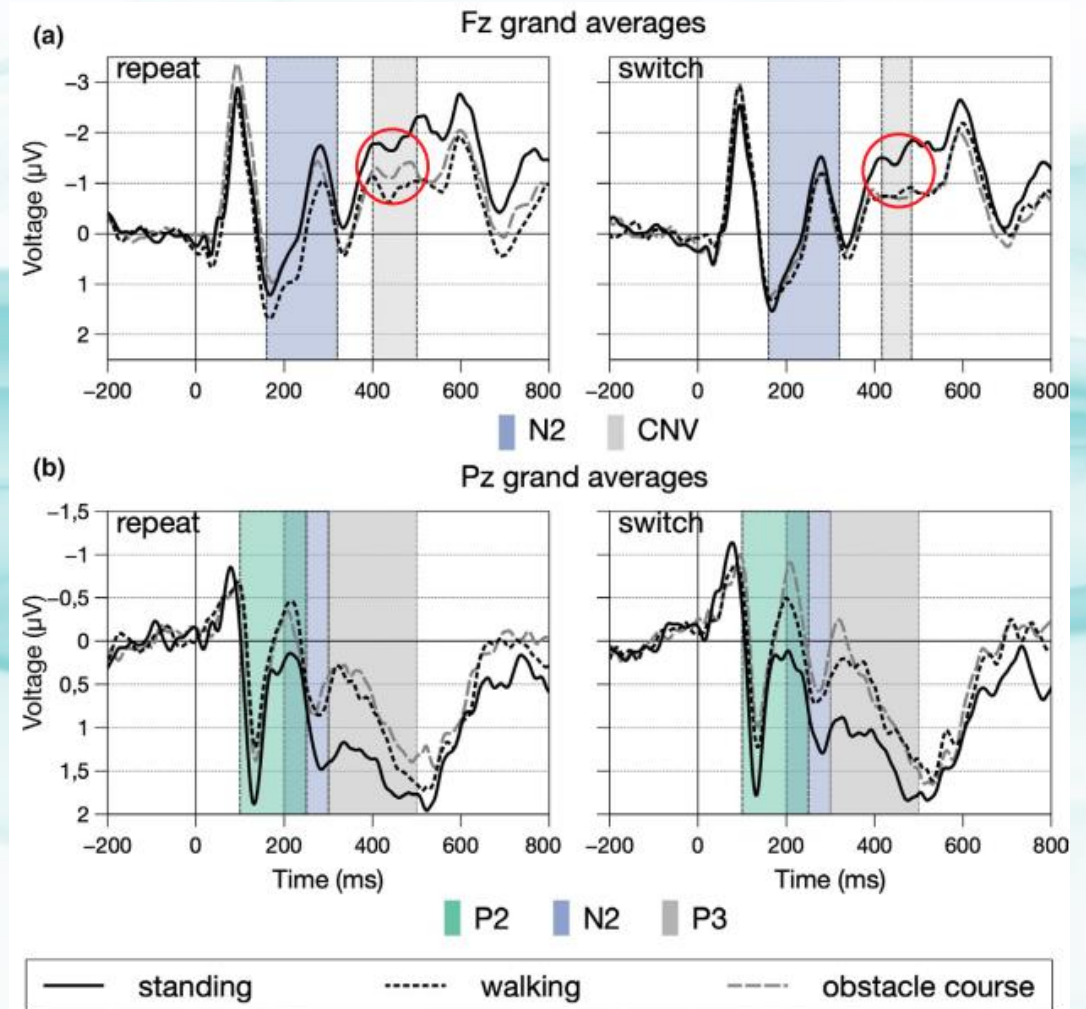
Study 2: Auditory-cued task-switching

- Stimulus Type: Cue tone and Stimulus tone
 - Cue: 2 pure sine wave tones (low=600Hz, high=900Hz)
 - Stimulus: A spoken number between 1–4 or 6–9
 - Depending on the cue, participants had to respond whether a number was odd or even, or whether it was smaller or greater than 5.
 - Repeat and switch trials



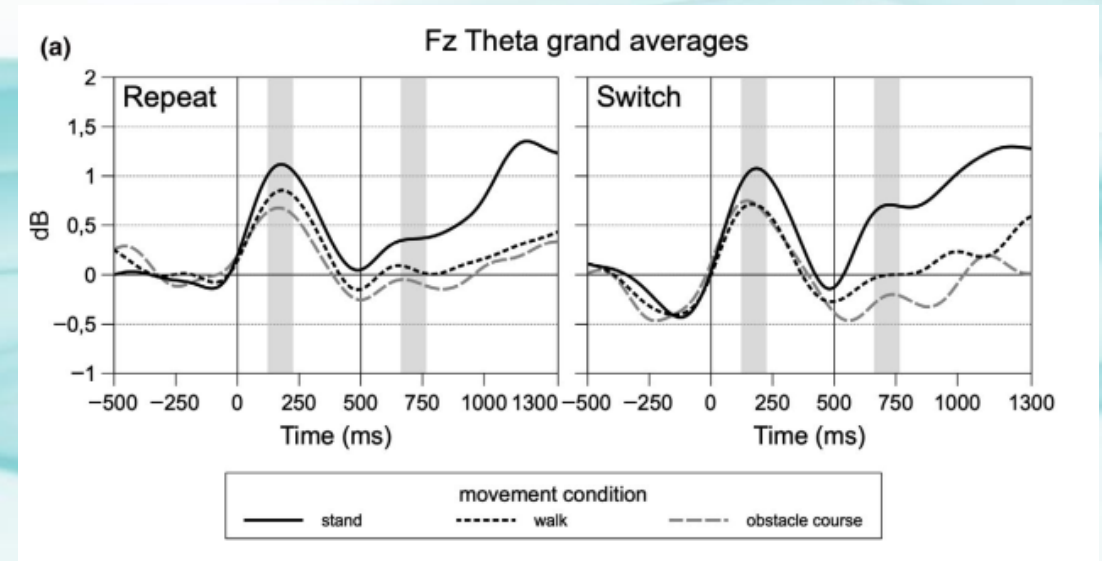
Study 2: Auditory-cued task-switching

- ERP measures
 - Frontal cognitive processing
 - → Decreased negativity (CNV) in switch trials
 - Inhibiting the previous action plan
 - Anticipatory attentional processes
 - Parietal cognitive processing
 - → P2, N2, P3
 - All show movement complexity effect
 - More negative amplitudes in locomotion compared to standing might indicate that motoric tasks impede stimulus updating processes
 - Altered distribution of cognitive resources?
 - Posture first?
 - No effect of trial type in P3
 - In contrast with literature
 - P3 should signal preparatory attentional updating



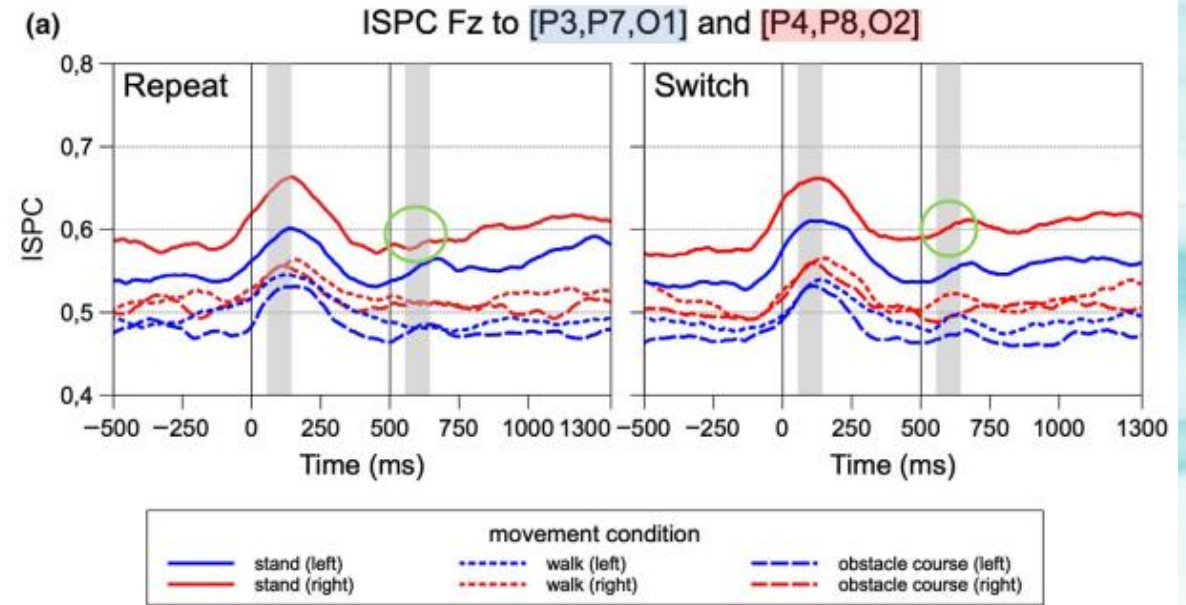
Study 2: Auditory-cued task-switching

- Frontal processing – Theta Power
 - No difference in trial type
 - Movement complexity effect after cue and after stimulus onset
 - Standing exhibited the highest theta power
 - Opposite to the literature
 - Reduction of attentional resources directed towards cognitive task?
 - Posture first strategy?



Study 2: Auditory-cued task-switching

- Theta Connectivity between central-frontal and parieto-occipital electrodes
 - ISPC = Inter-site phase coherence
- Post-cue & post-stimulus
 - Hemispheric asymmetry – connectivity with the right cluster was higher in all movement conditions
 - Movement complexity effect – in both cluster, standing exhibited the highest ISPC correlation
 - In contrast with the literature, although methodological differences
- Post-stimulus
- Higher ISPC in switch compared to repeat trials for standing only (in right cluster)
 - Indicate that increased amount of cognitive resources could be deployed to the execution of the switch task in standing position, but not in locomotion, as these resources were depleted.



Study 2: Auditory-cued task-switching

- Conclusion
 - Pattern of results show that cognitive resources are being shared between cognitive and motor tasks, eventually resulting in CMI.
 - Increasing movement complexity strongly influences subjective, behavioural and EEG measures.
 - No difference between switch and repeat trials are indicating a decrease in resource availability for cognitive task.

OVERALL CONCLUSION

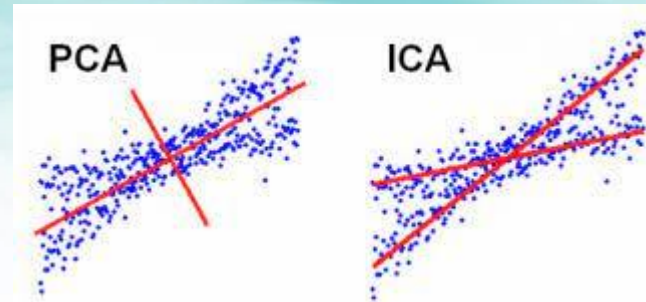
- Electrophysiological features can serve as biomarkers in the investigations of attentional resource allocation in cognitive-motor dual-task paradigms.
- **Novelty-P3** – lower amplitude if attentional reserve is depleted (challenging task)
- **P3 in an oddball paradigm** - lowest amplitudes for the most challenging condition
- **Frontal Theta Power** – higher for more challenging conditions (not in outdoor setting)
- **CNV in Auditory-cued task-switching** – reflects anticipatory attentional processes, found to have the lowest amplitude in challenging tasks
- Theta connectivity (ISPC) – not so clear
- Evidence is in favour of posture first strategy



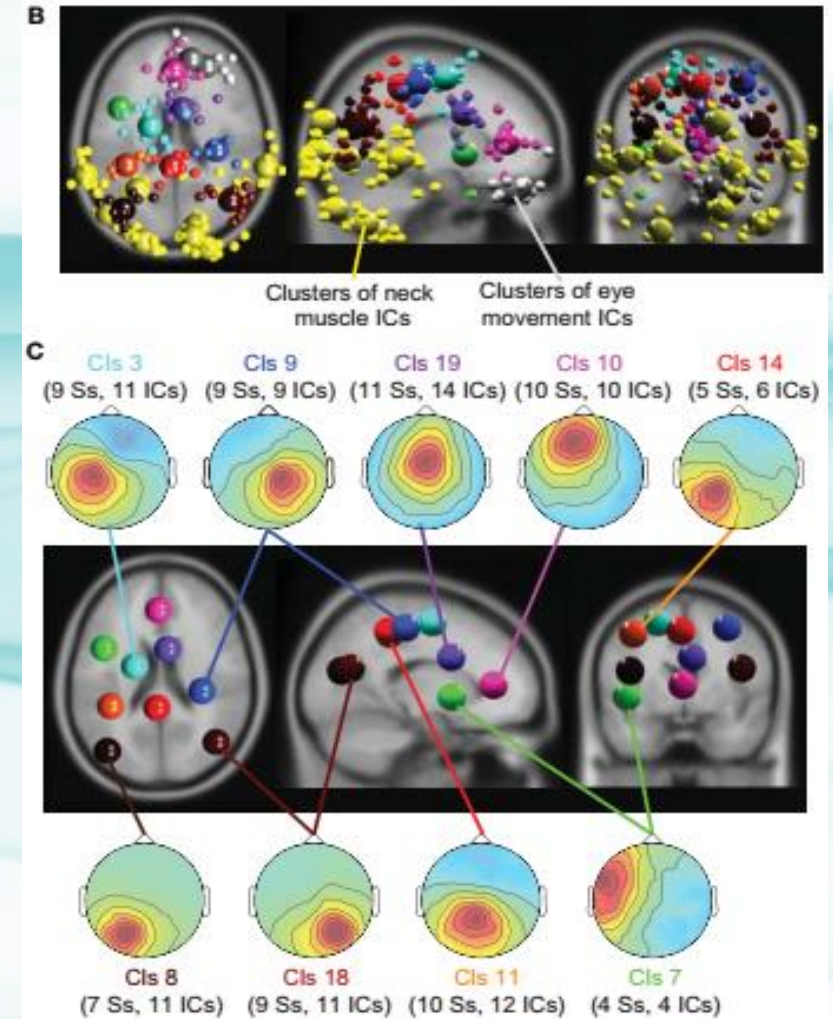
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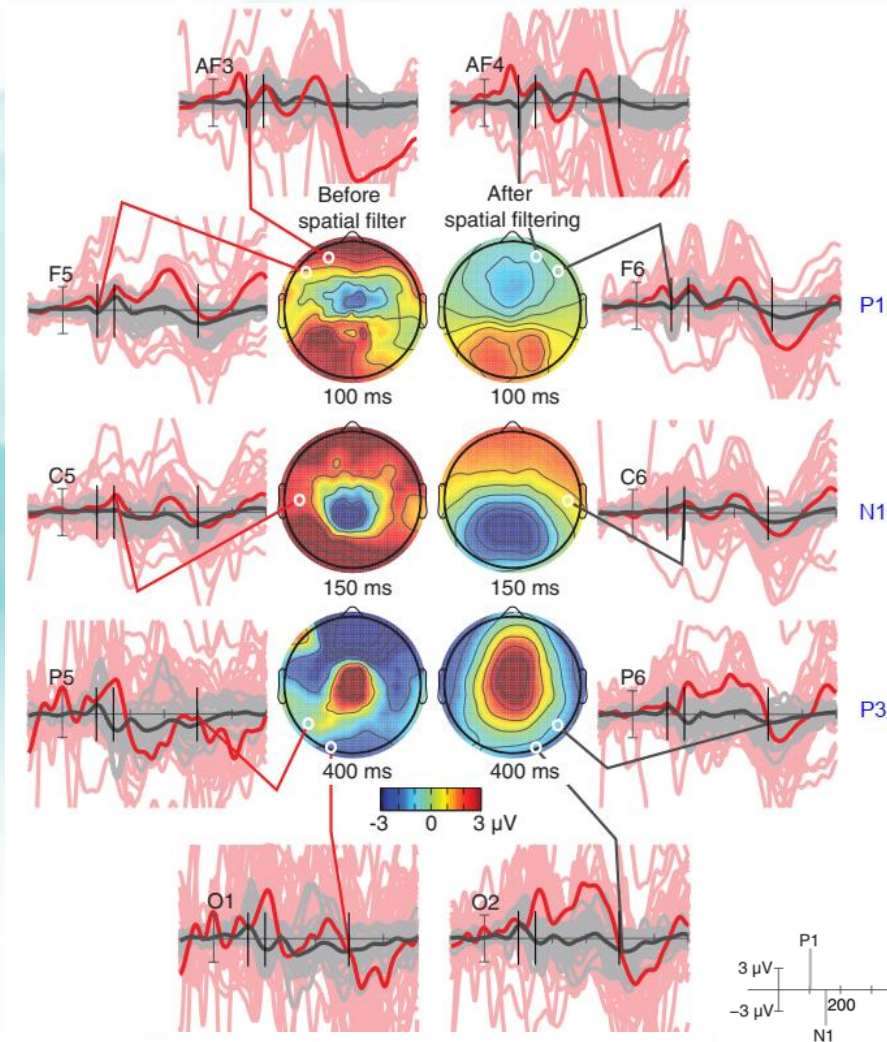
- Pre-processing
- Adaptive Mixture Independent Component Analysis (AMICA) algorithm
 - To classify ICs as brain / non-brain source activities based on:
 - time course, spectra and scalp topographies, current dipole models
- Data separated into 2s epochs with onset stimuli
- Using PCA to cluster selected ICs for each participant based on
 - similarities in dipole location
 - event-related dynamics



PCA finds a reduced-rank representation of data.
ICA finds independent sub-elements of your data.
PCA compresses, ICA separates.



Feasibility of recording brain activity in motion



ERP analysis:

- Event-related potentials (ERPs) reduced to linear mixtures of brain activity only and backprojected to scalp sites

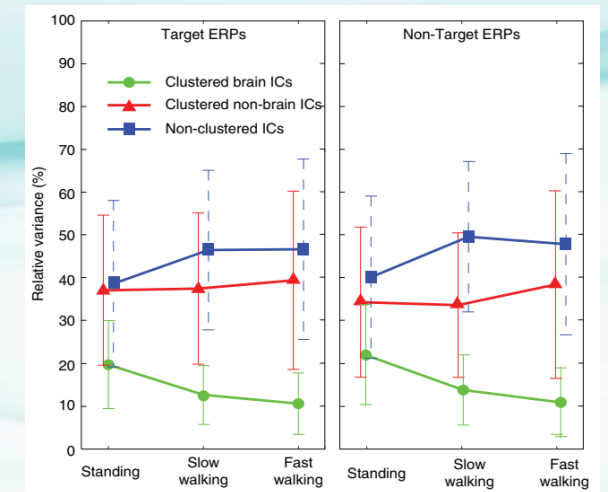
← Figure:

Scalp recorded ERP before and after spatial filtering (=IC)

→ Figure:

Relative contribution of brain, non-brain and non-clustered ICs to the overall ERP signal

- computed by percentage variance accounted for (pvaf) by each IC



Feasibility of recording brain activity in motion

The impact of attention task and movement on ERP:

[For ERP feature (N1, P3), a 2 x 3 factorial RM ANOVA, for factors STIMULUS (target, non-target) and MOVEMENT (standing, slow walking, fast walking)]

- P1 – comparable across target and movement conditions
- N1 – in all movement conditions, N1 was larger in target
- P3 – in all movement conditions, P3 was larger in target

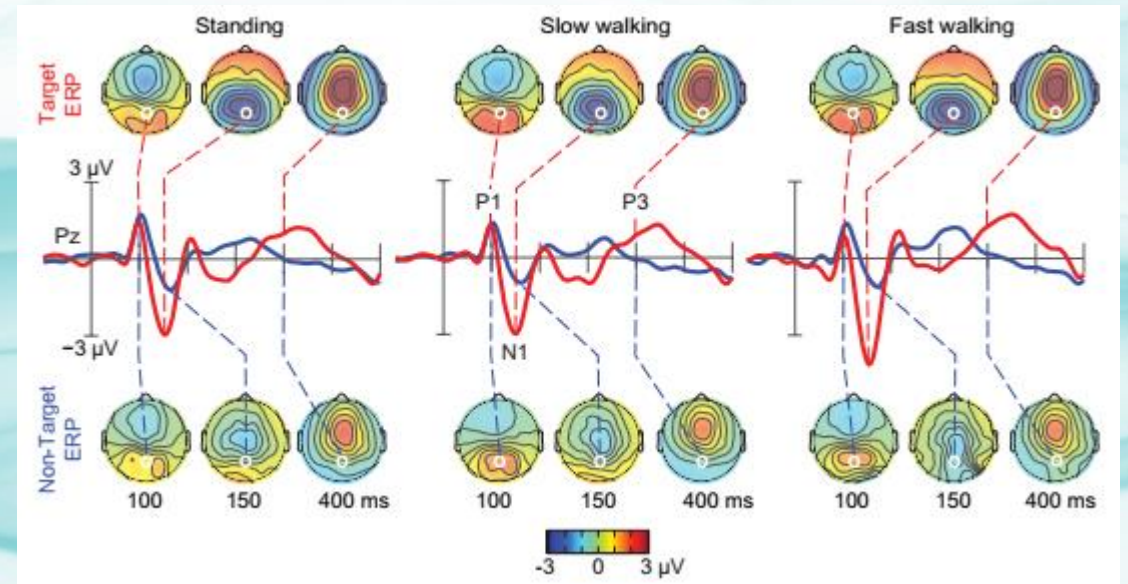


Figure:

Grand average ERPs after artifact removal

N1 and P3 discriminate between target and non-target in all movement conditions

Highlights

ICA decomposition and spatial filtering allow for the analysis of cognitive and sensory EEG brain activity while subjects perform constant whole-body movements.

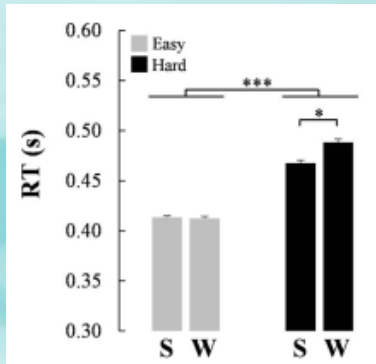
Movement conditions had no effect on P3 amplitude suggests that steady treadmill walking did not pose any greater demands on performance of the visual oddball task than standing. Was the tasks too easy for healthy adults?

Feasibility for recording human cognition while in locomotion established.

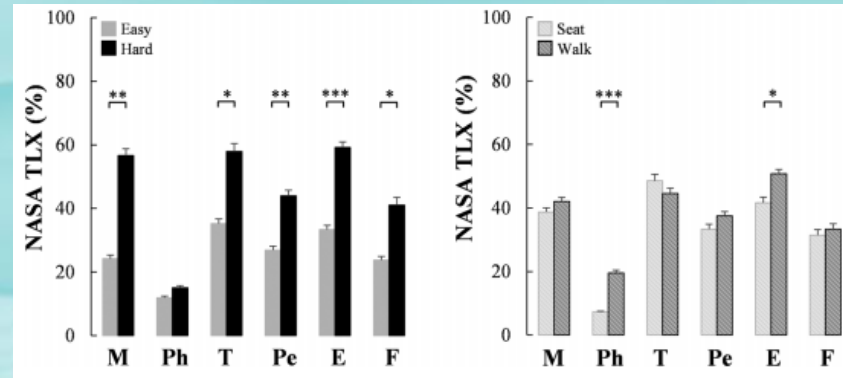
Questions, comments?

Results

Behavioural Performance:





NASA-TLX:



M = Mental demand
 Ph = Physical demand
 T = Temporal demand
 Pe = Performance
 E = Effort
 F = frustration

Higher value = Higher demand

	Preberi besedo <i>Word-reading Task</i>	Poimenuj barvilo <i>Ink-naming Task</i>
Neskladni <i>incongruent</i>		
Skladni <i>congruent</i>	