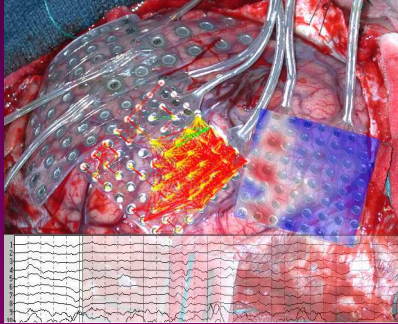


Patterns of EEG Coherence Across the Brain Surface



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Epilepsy in America

- **2.3 million epileptic patients in USA**
(180,000 new cases each year)
2/3 can be managed medically
 - **1 million medically intractable patients**
75% have severe, multifocal epilepsy
250,000 potential surgical candidates
- (There are only 1,500 epilepsy surgeries/year)
(>90% remain inadequately treated)

The Epilepsy Surgery Work-up

After several days of non-invasive monitoring...

- Implantation of 50-200 electrodes
- Recording 3-14 days/nights of EEG (@ 400 Hz/ch)
- Catching > 5 stereotyped seizures
- Analysis and identification/resection of the epileptogenic zone

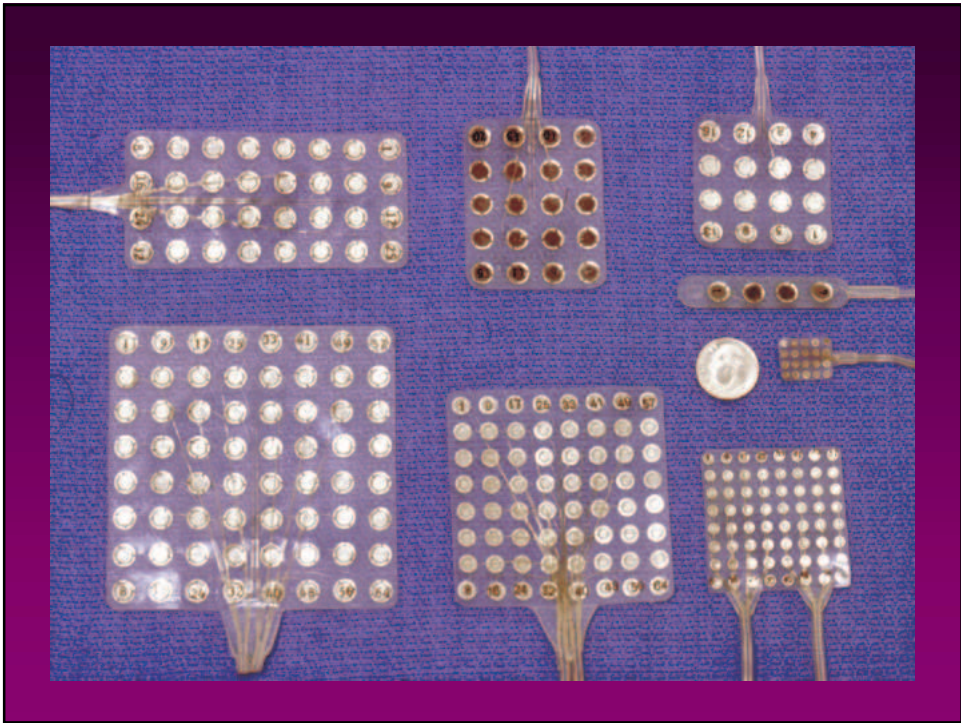
Epileptic Brain Regions

- *Epileptogenic Lesion*: The structural pathology that directly causes the seizures (CT/MRI, tissue pathology).
- *Ictal Onset Zone*: The area of cortex that initiates seizures (EEG).
- *Epileptogenic Zone*: The total area that must be removed to abolish seizures (?).

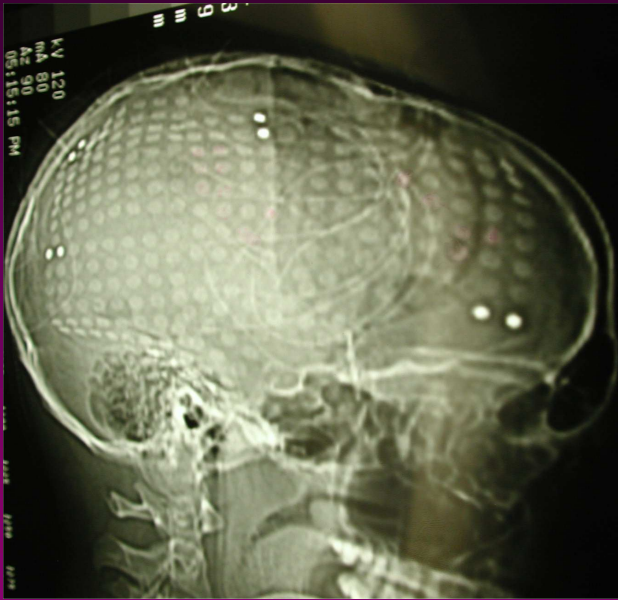
Luders, 1993

Can we predict where seizures will arise?

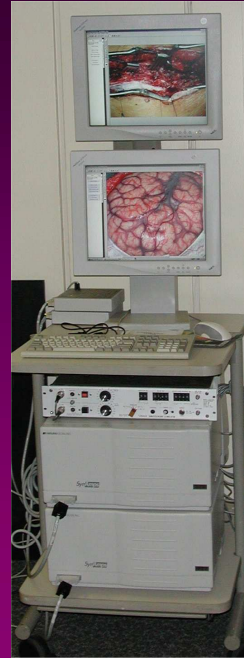
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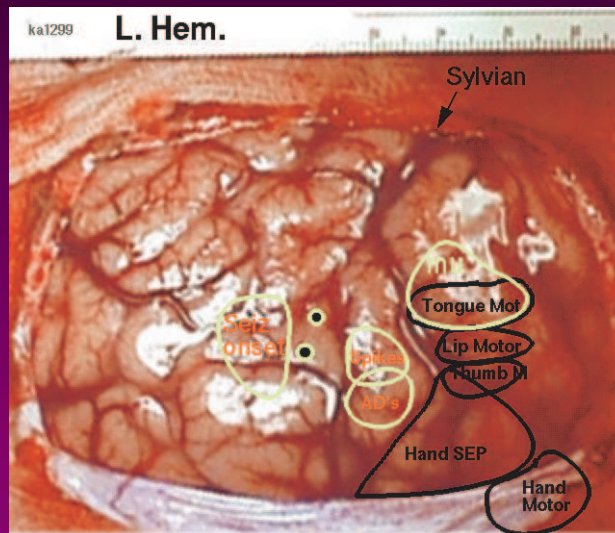
**Subdural
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Signal-Acquisition System



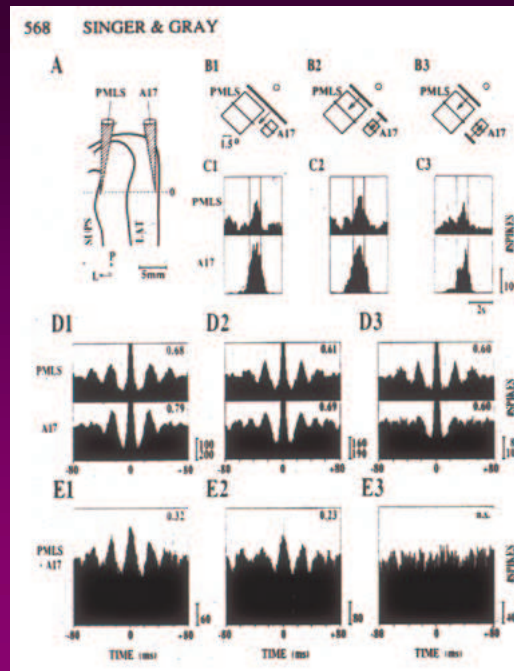
Functional Mapping



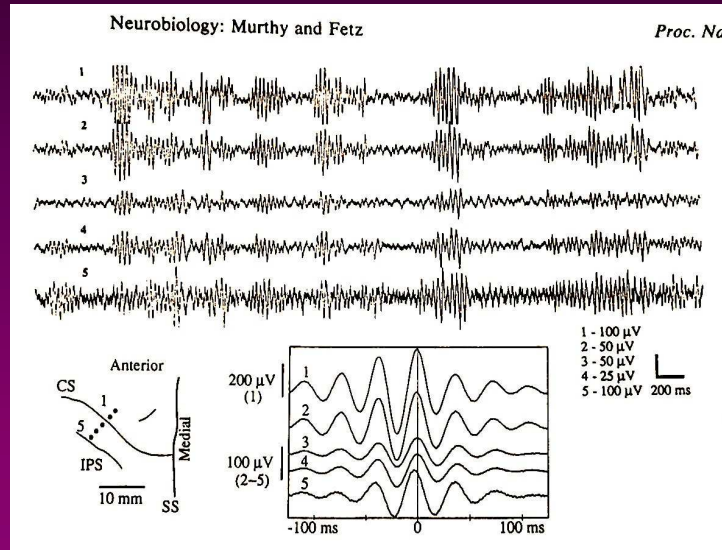
Types of Signals from Cortex

- Spikes from individual neurons
- Normal rhythms accompanying behavior
- Abnormal rhythms indicating pathology

Temporal Binding Hypothesis



Oscillations Accompany Behavior

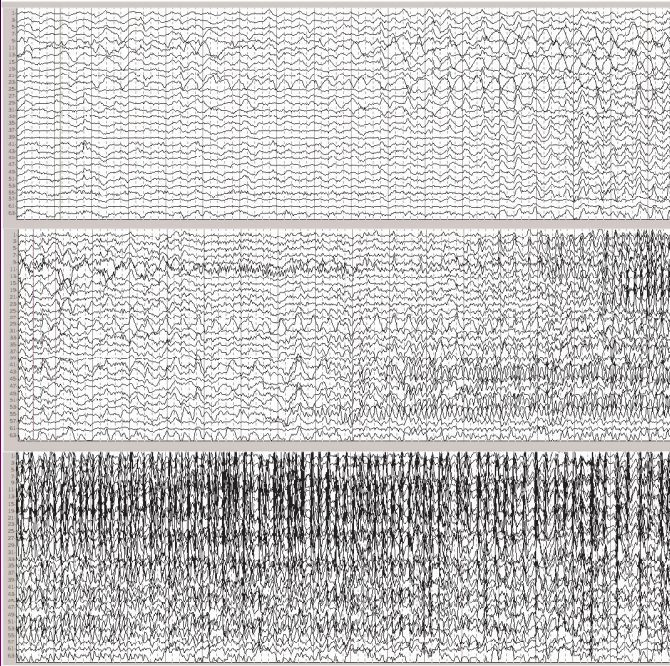


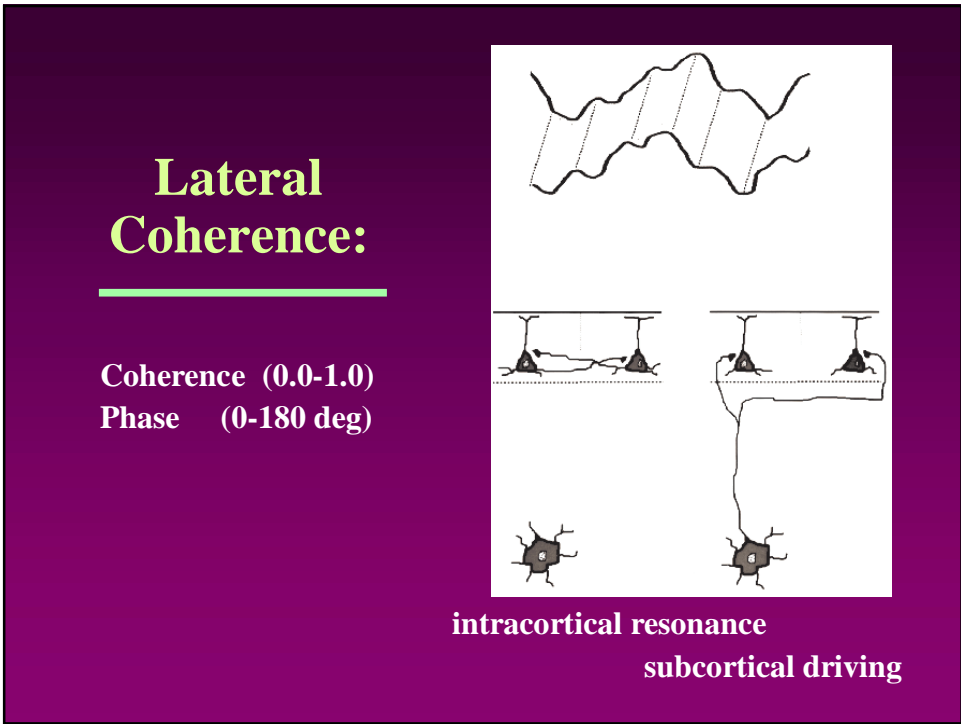
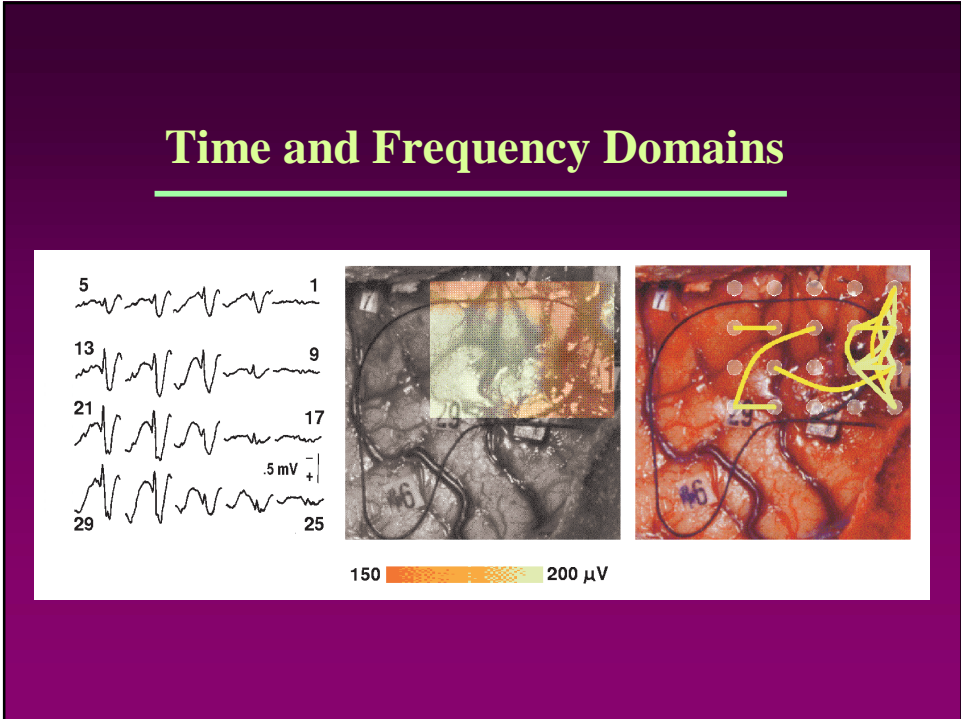
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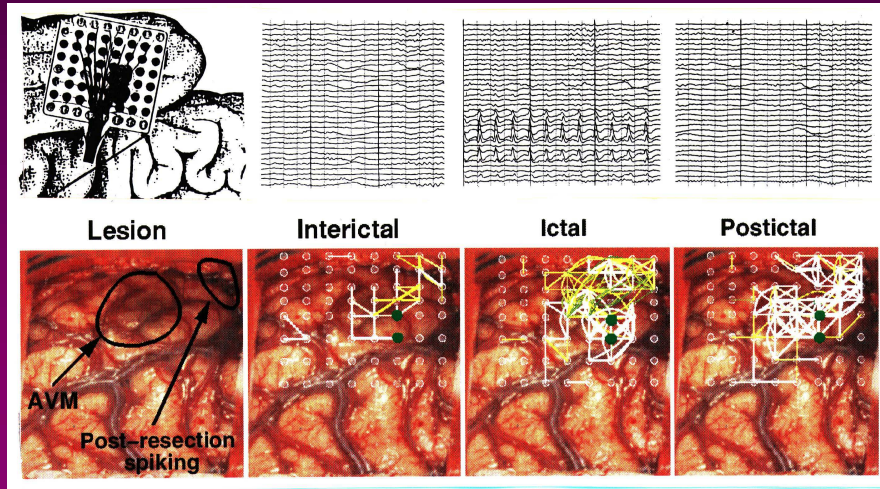
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SPONTANEOUS SEIZURE

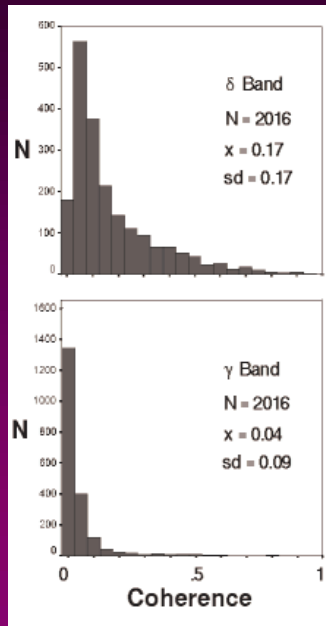




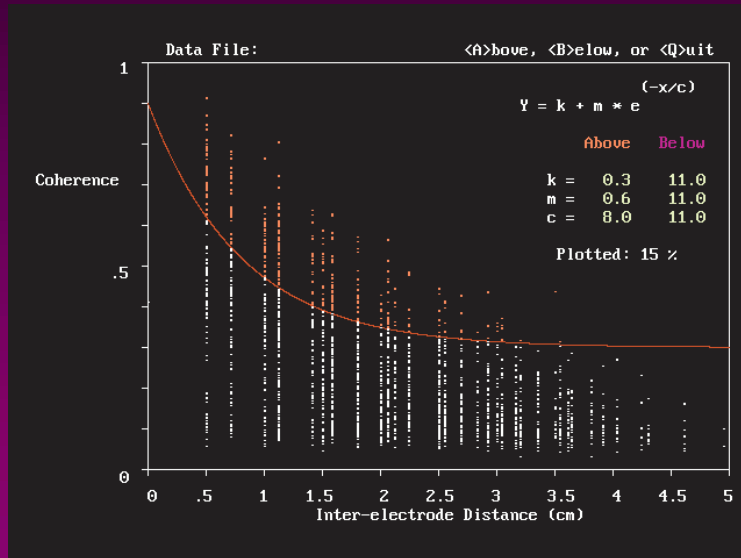
An Epileptic System?



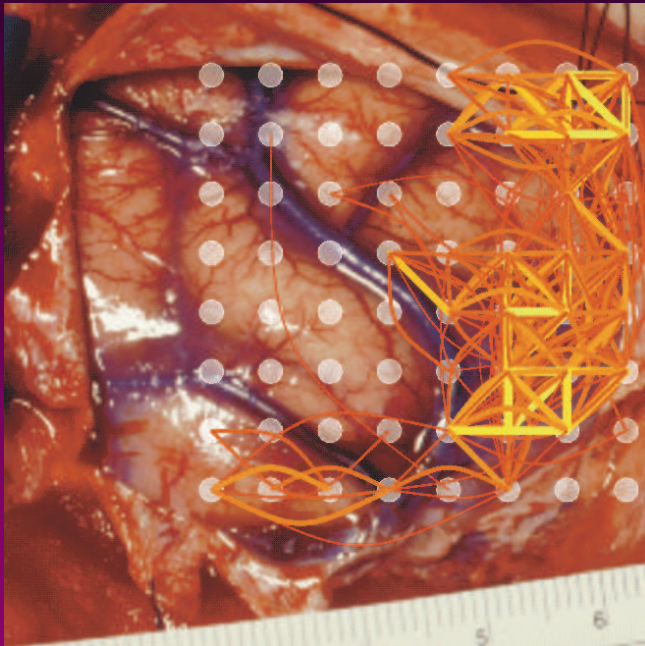
Distributions of Coherence



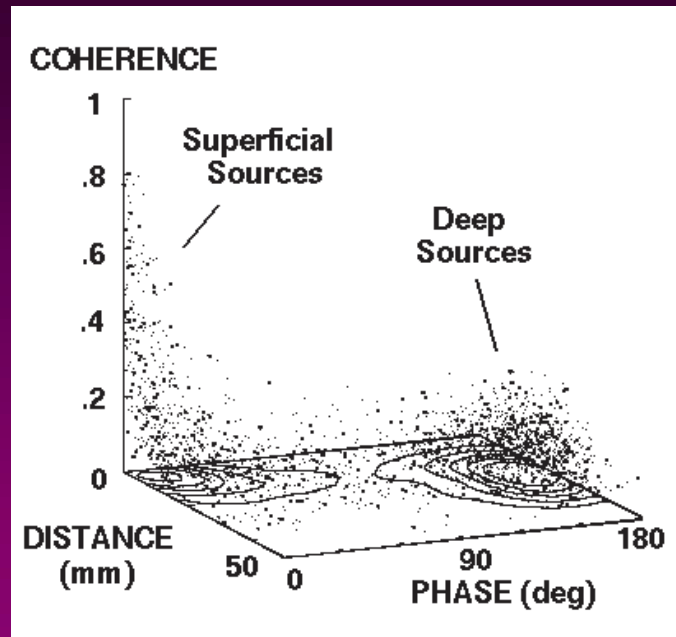
Coherence and Distance



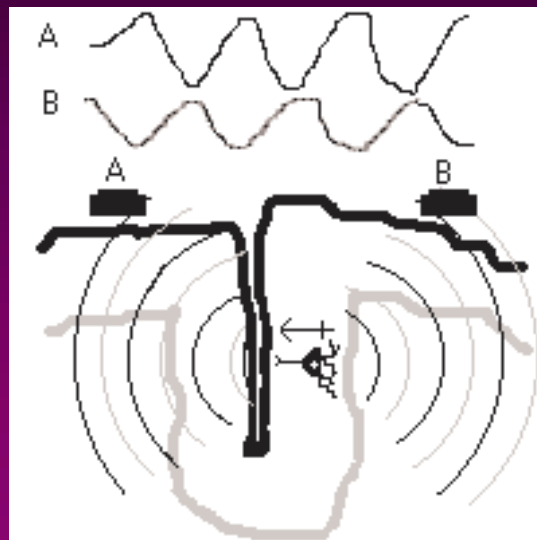
Frontal vs. Parietal Lobe Coherence



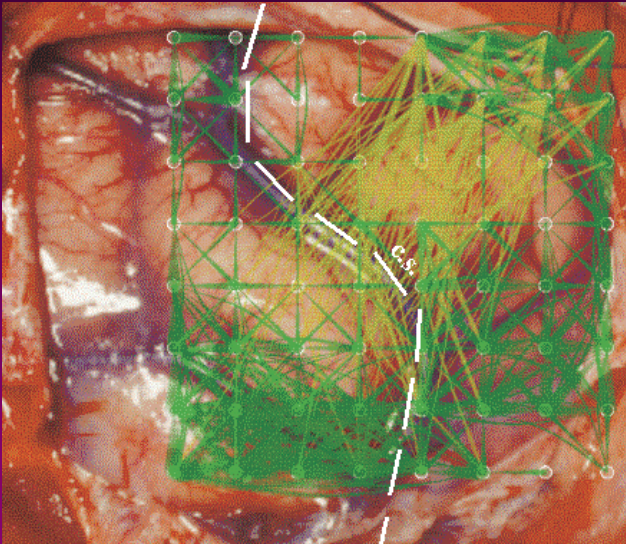
**Distance
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Phase**



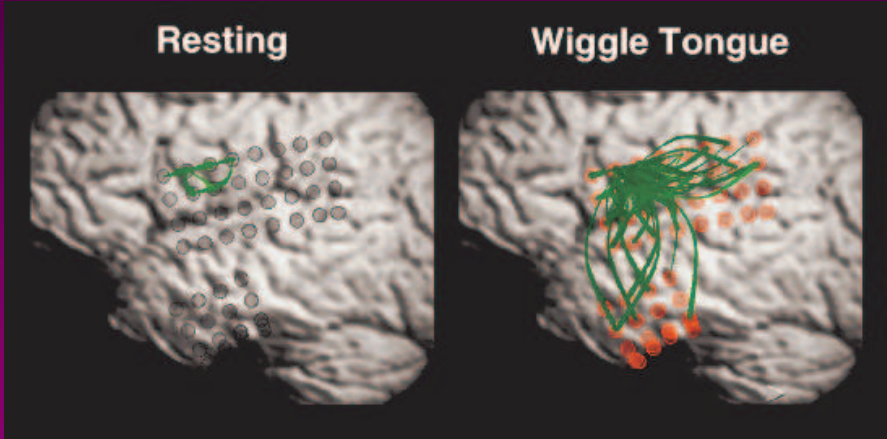
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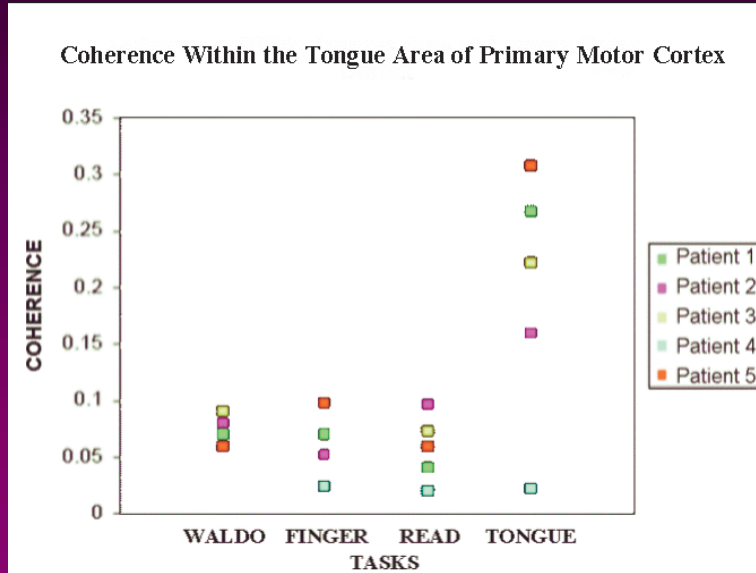
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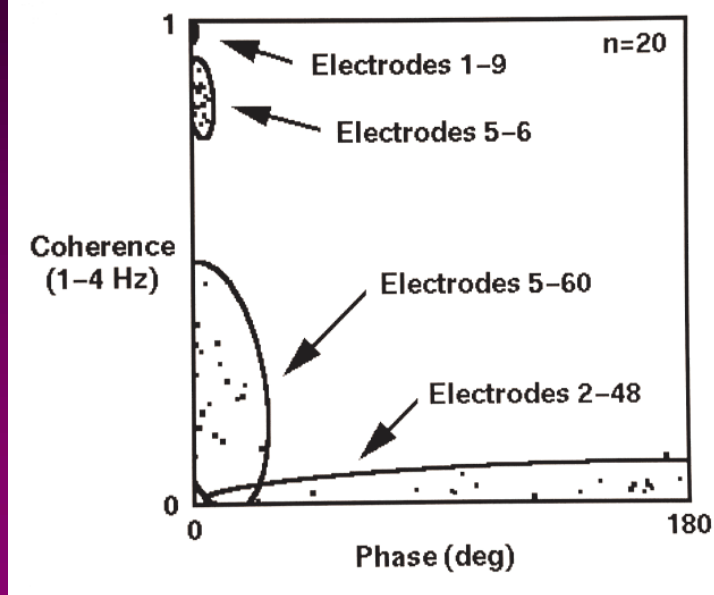
Task-related Beta Activity



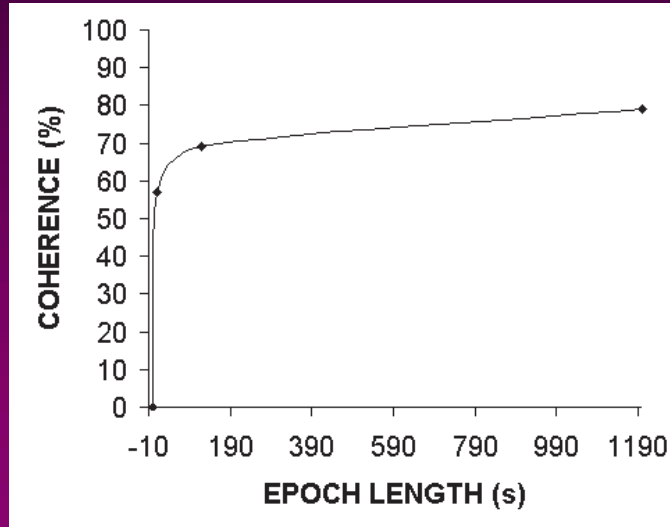
Task-specific Beta Band Coherence



Reliability of Coherence

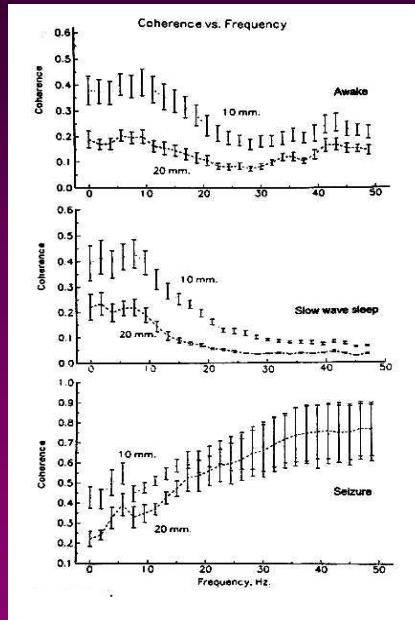


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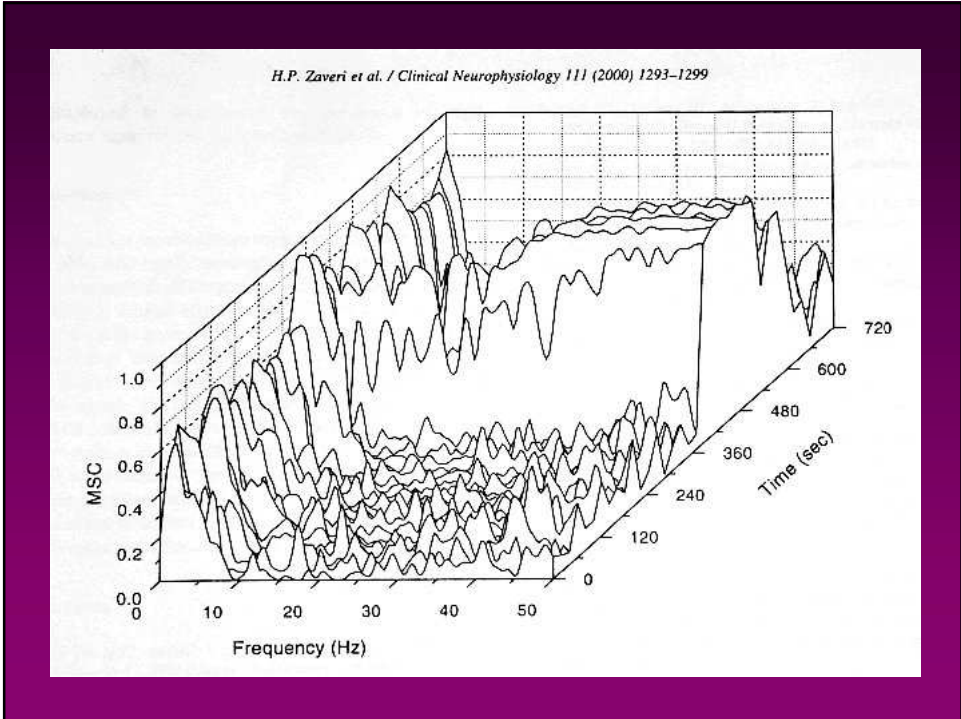


Coherence and Seizures

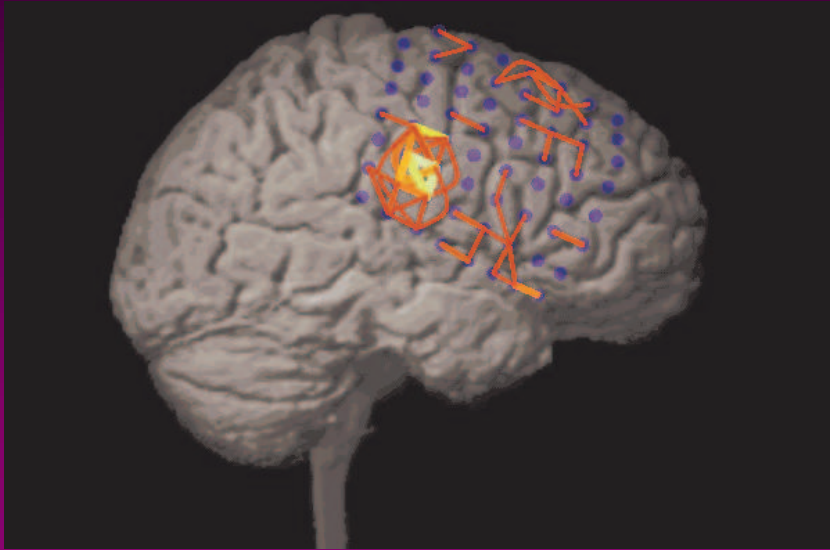
- Gotman, 1987
- Duckrow & Spencer, 1992
- Zaveri *et al.* 1993, 2000
- Franaszczuk *et al.* 1994
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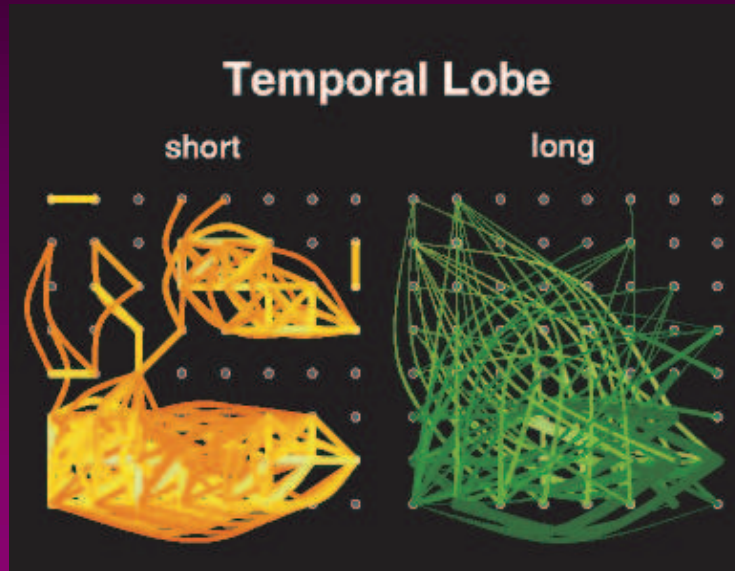
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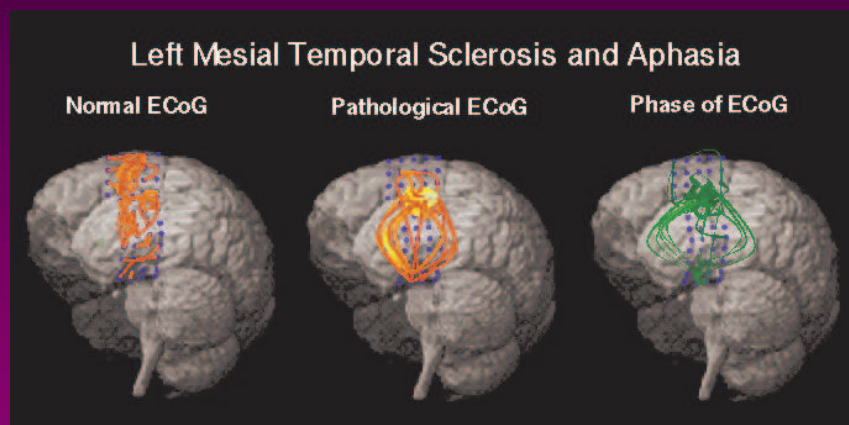
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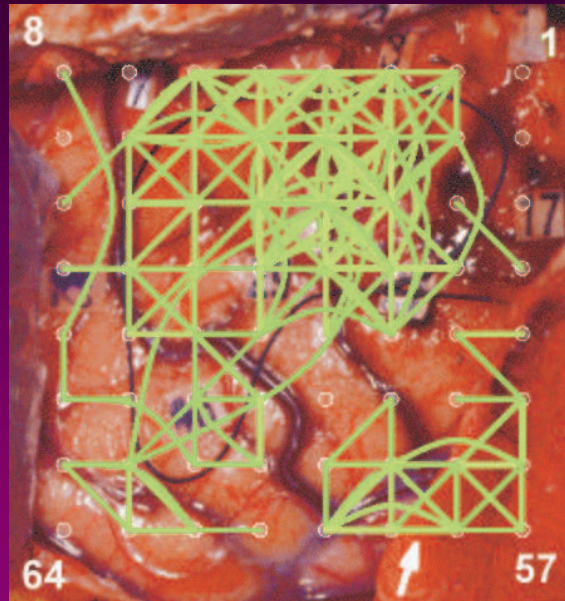
Temporal Lobe Coherence



Relating Symptoms with Pathology

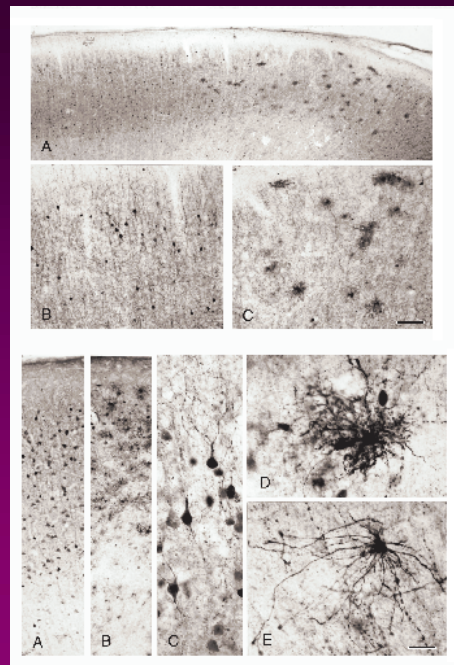


Interictal Coherence

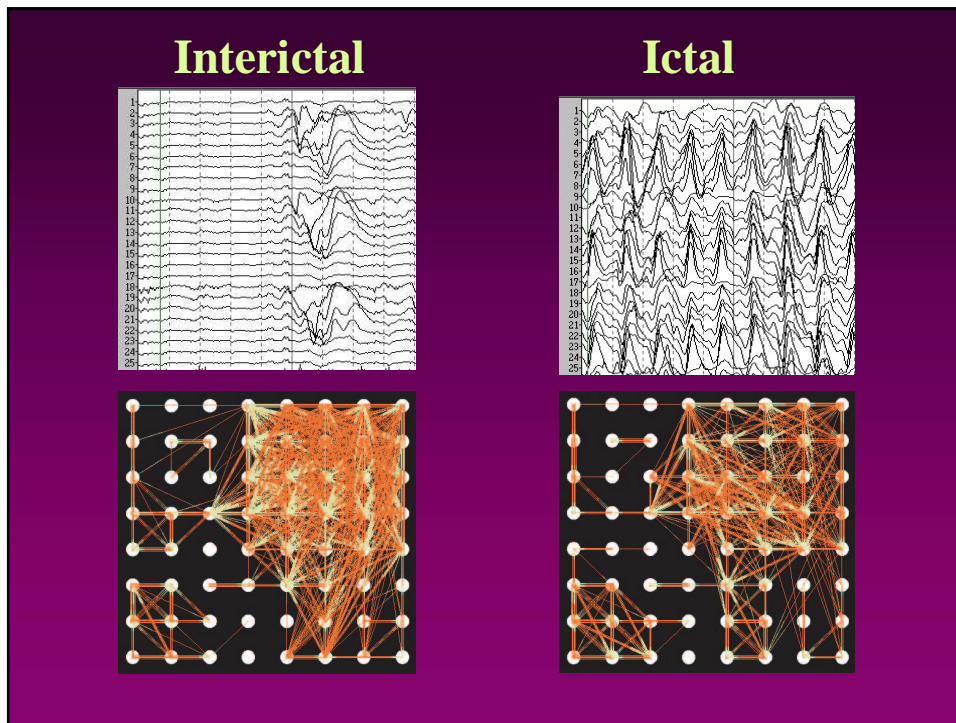


Pathologic Changes

- Parvalbumin immunoreactivity
- Calbindin immunoreactivity



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Hemimegencephaly

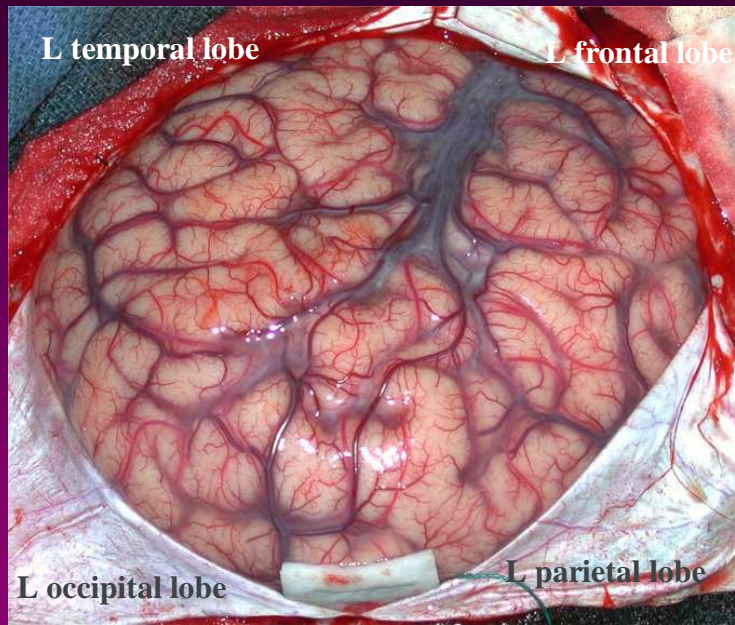
- 8 year old male
- parietal/occipital cortex
- Developmental delay
- Daily seizures

An axial MRI scan of a brain showing hemimegencephaly. The image shows a cross-section of the brain with a clear midline shift and abnormal cortical development on the right side. Technical details visible on the scan include '7 M' at the top right, '6kHz' at the bottom left, and '0sp/C' at the bottom left.

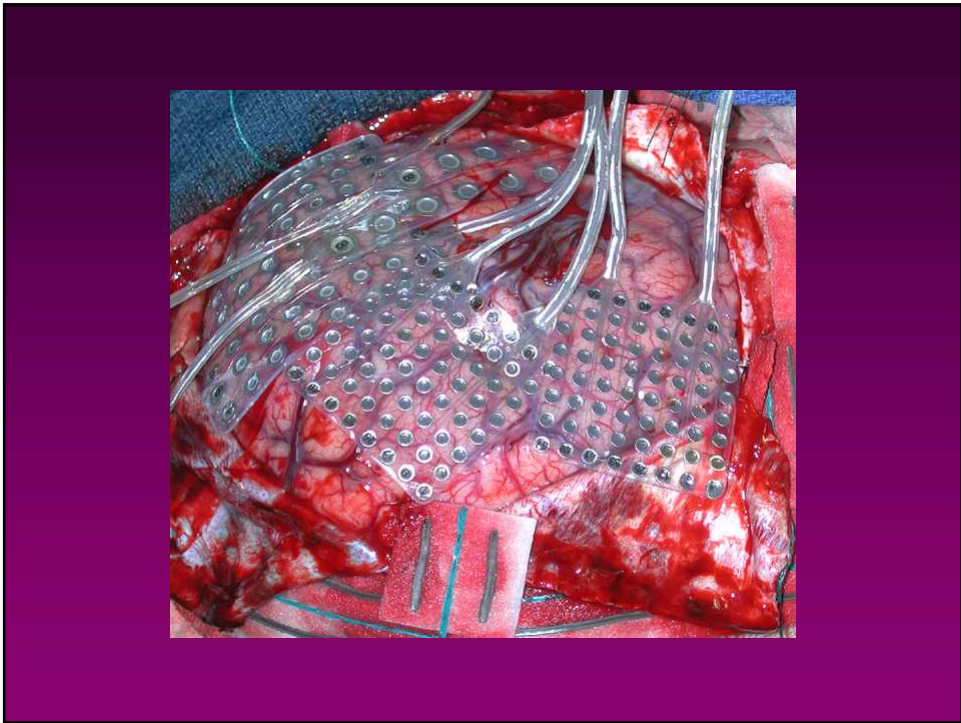
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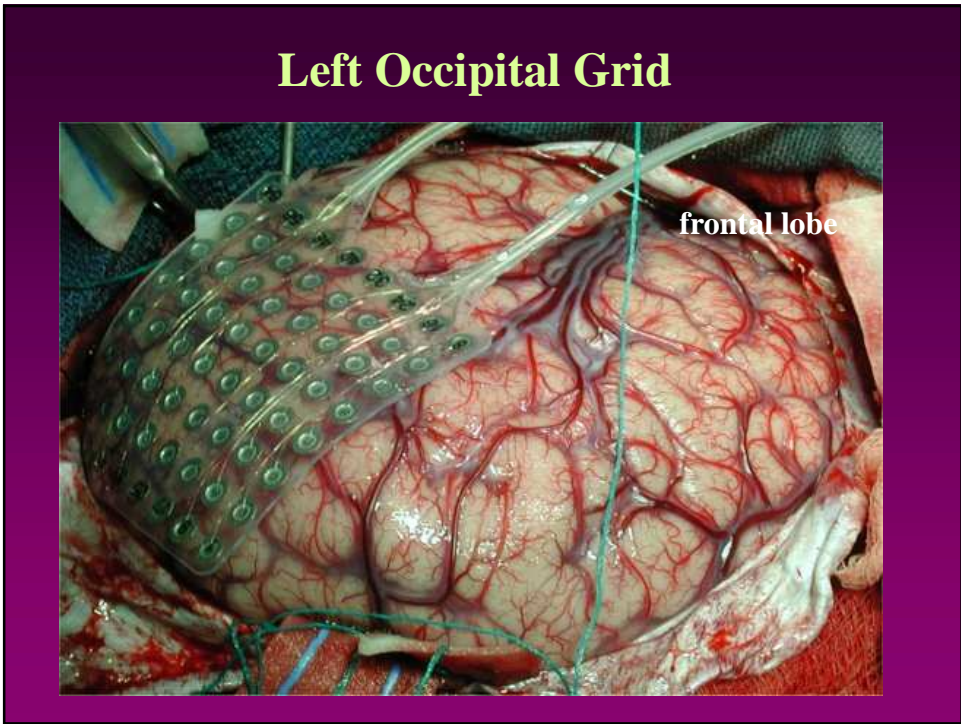
- 3 sz immediately
- 0 sz at 6 months
- Ambulatory – running
- Increased vocabulary



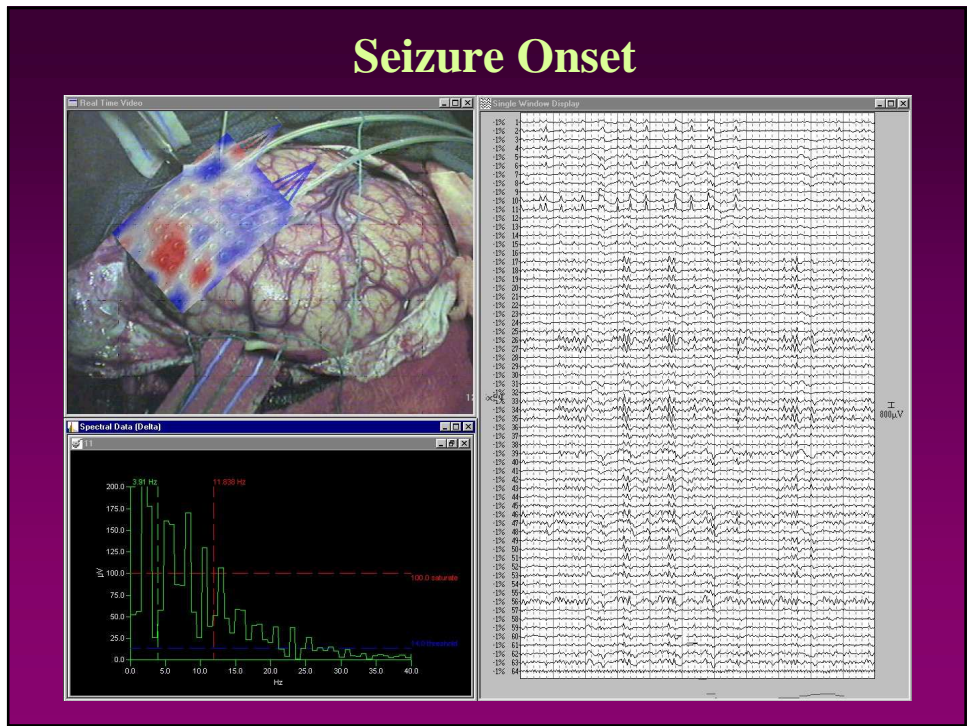
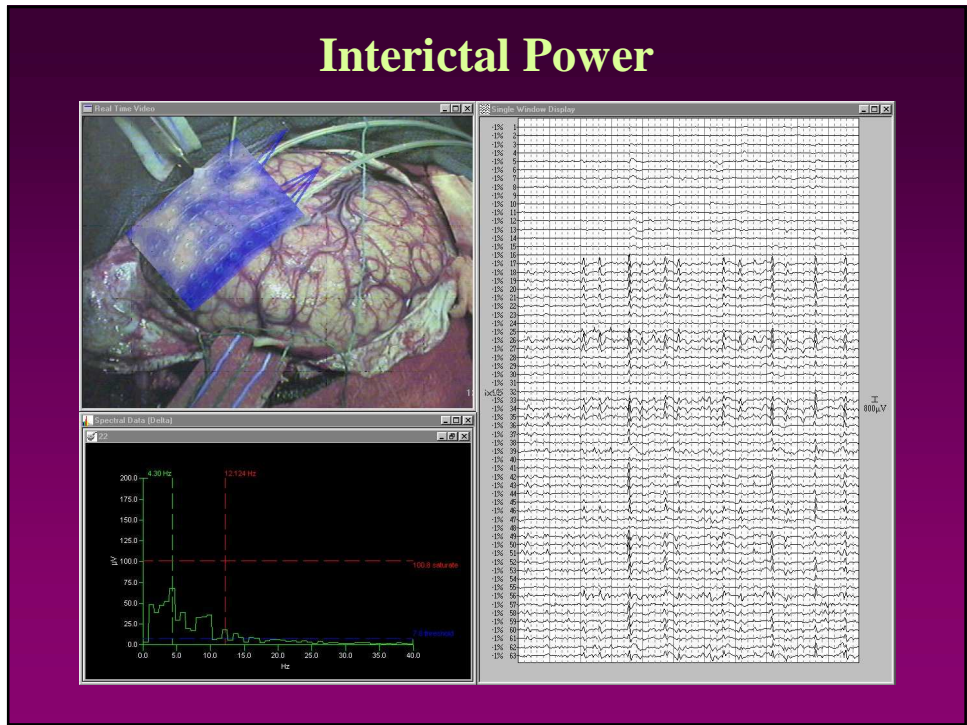
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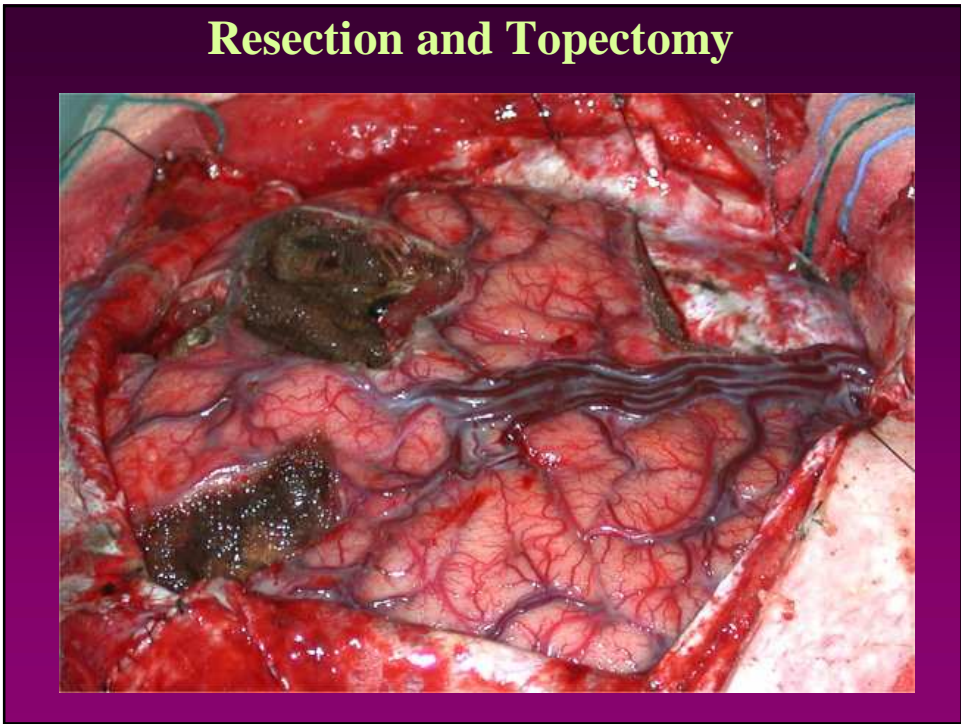
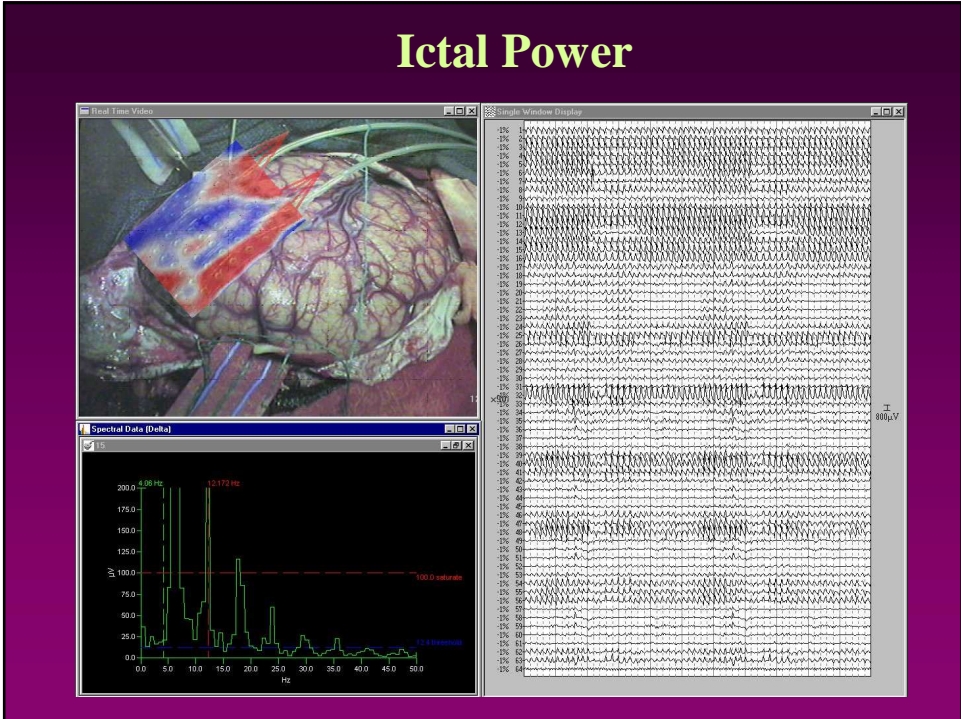
Left Occipital Grid



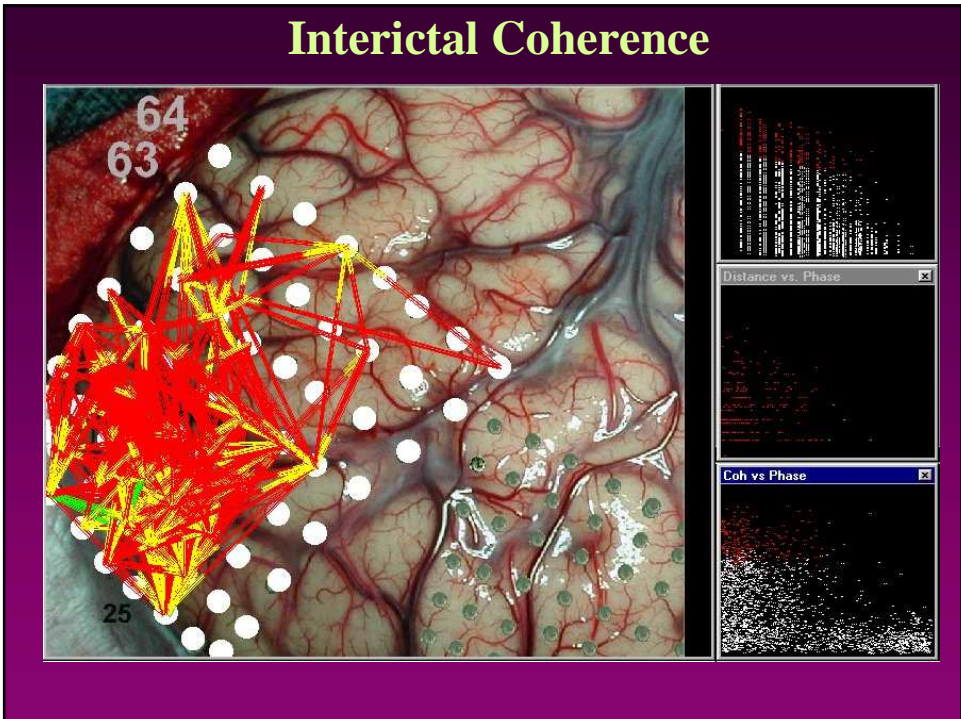
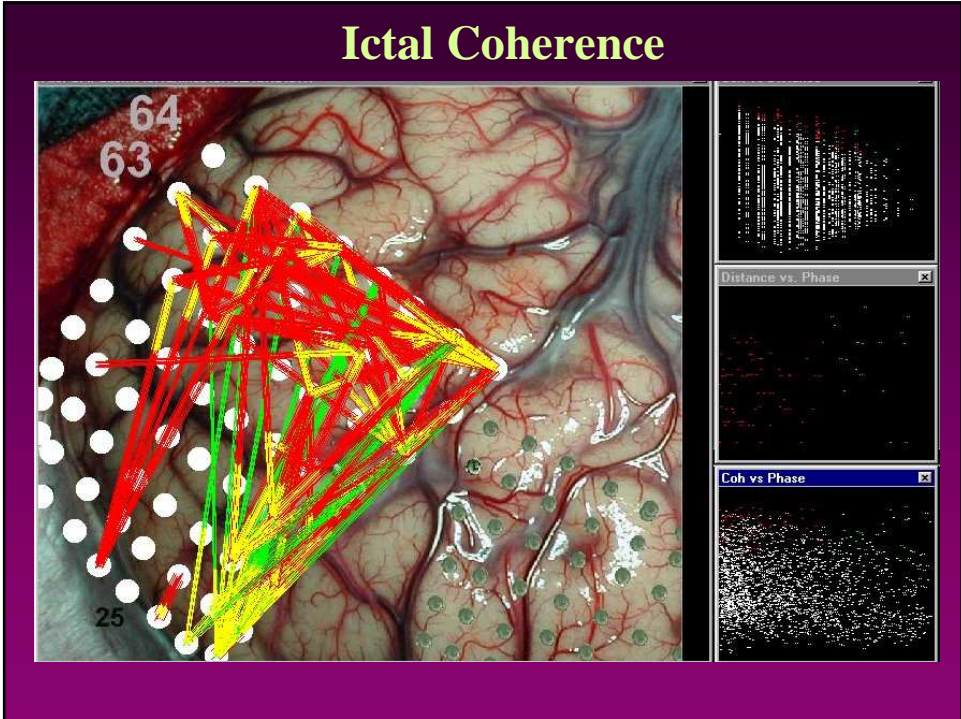
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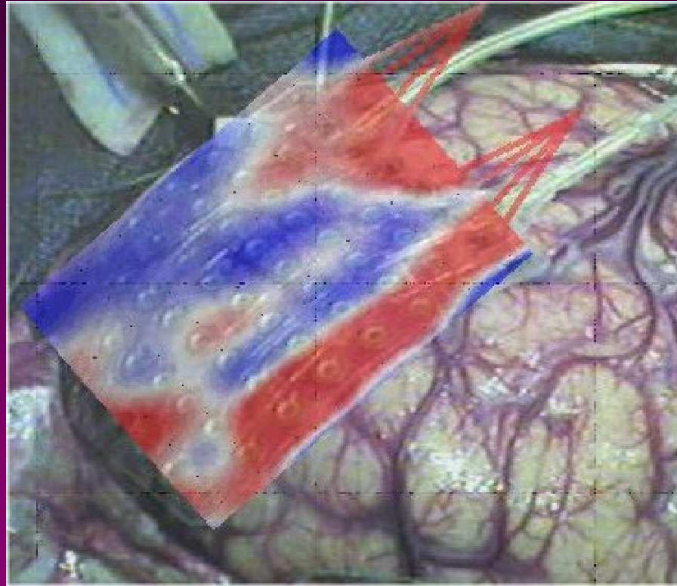
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Ictal Power

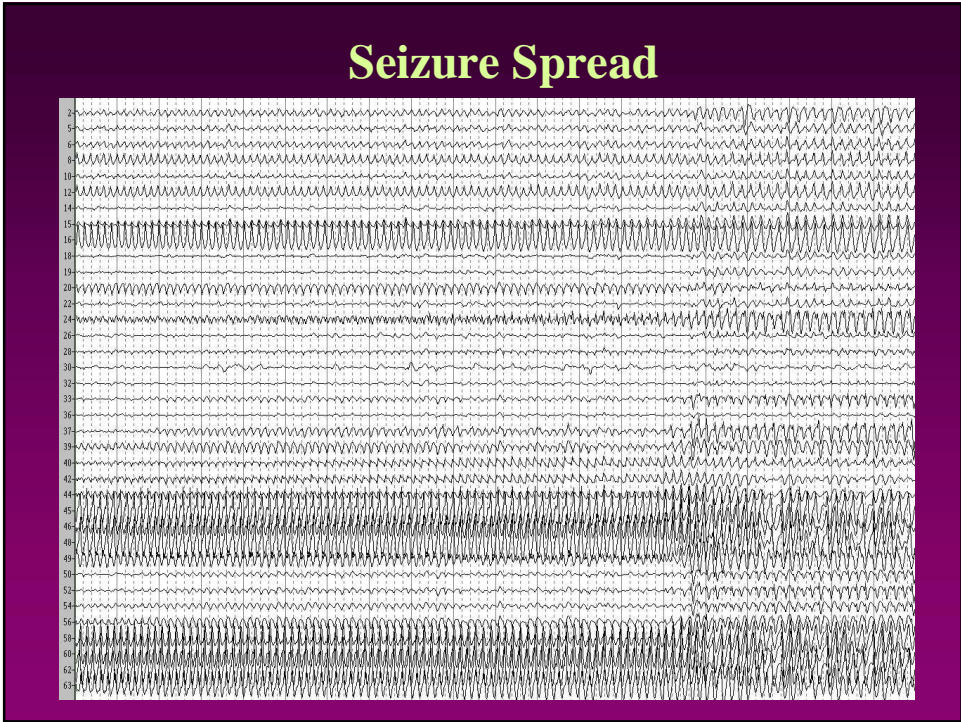
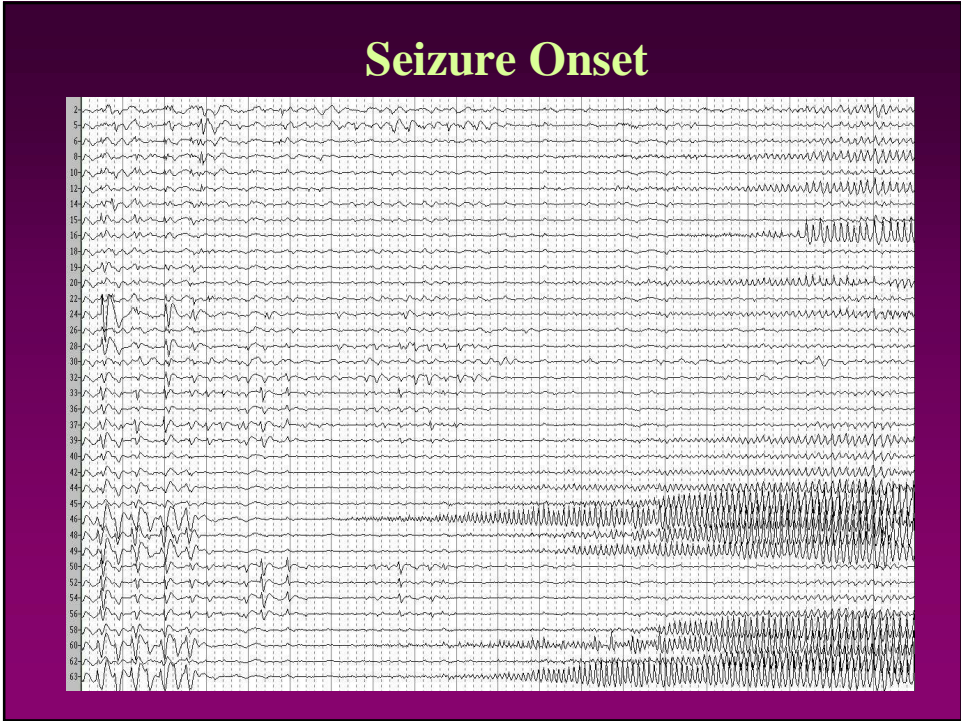


Tuberous Sclerosis

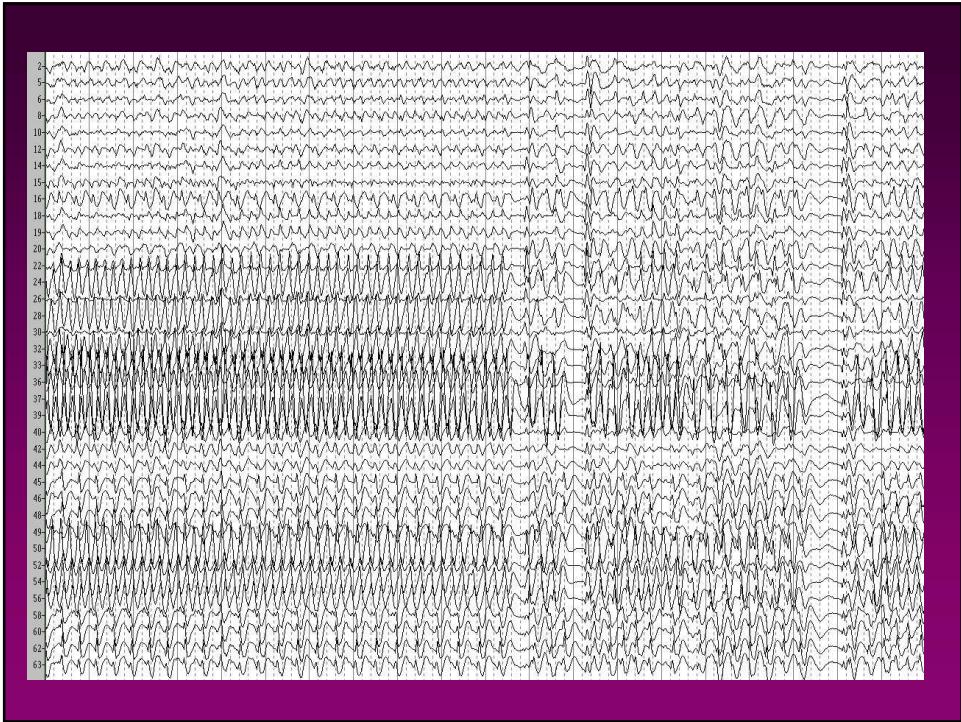
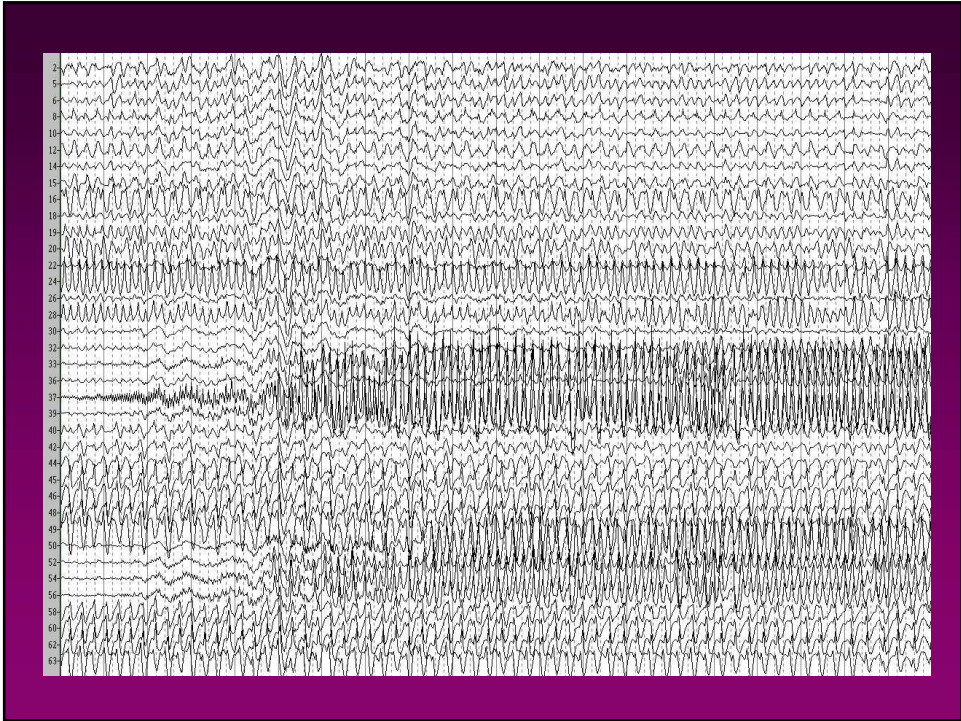
- 7 year-old female
- Severe mental retardation
- Left hemiparesis
- 8 generalized t-c seizures/day
- +20-40 sub-clinical



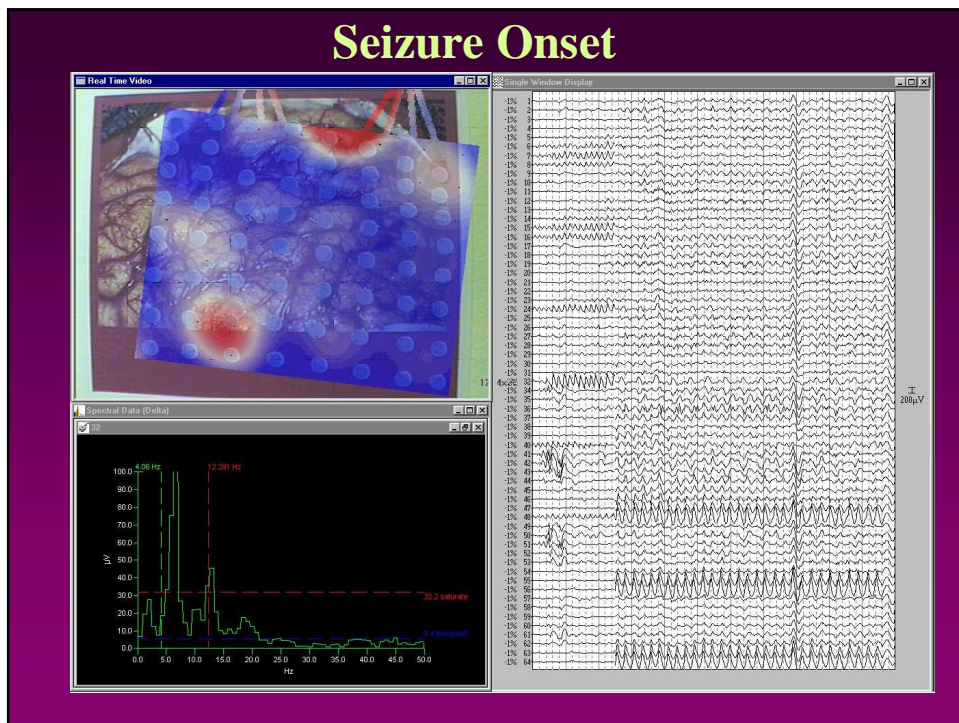
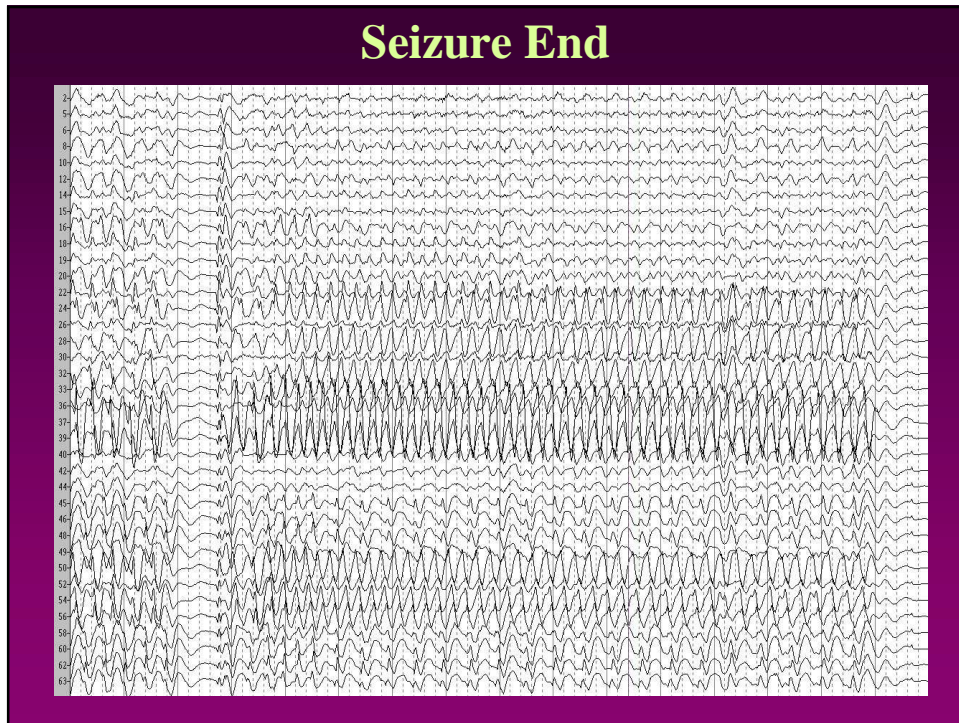
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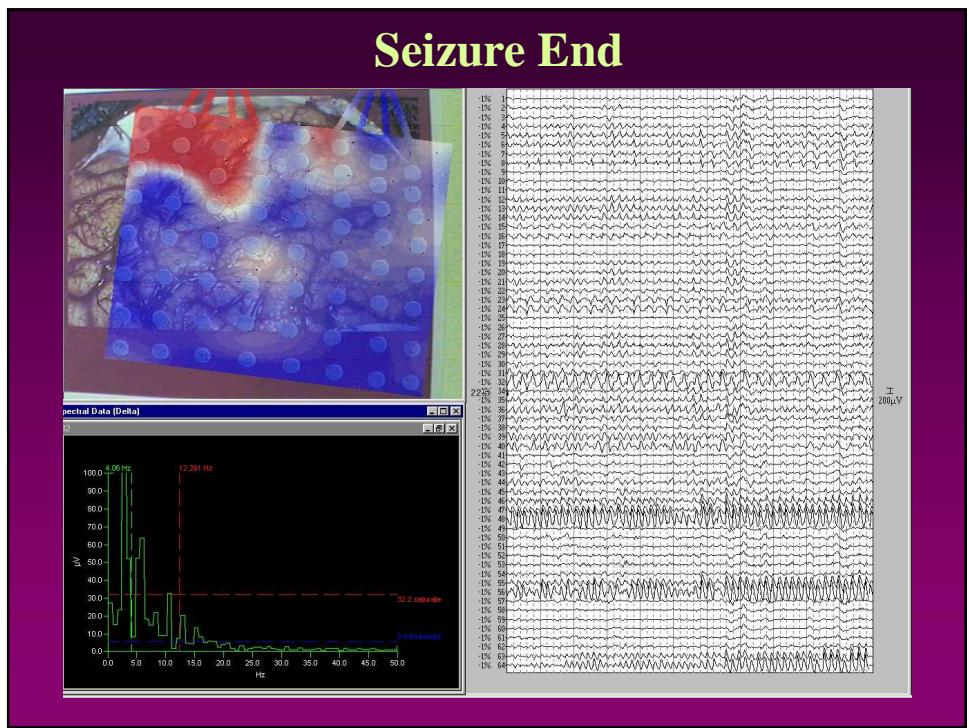
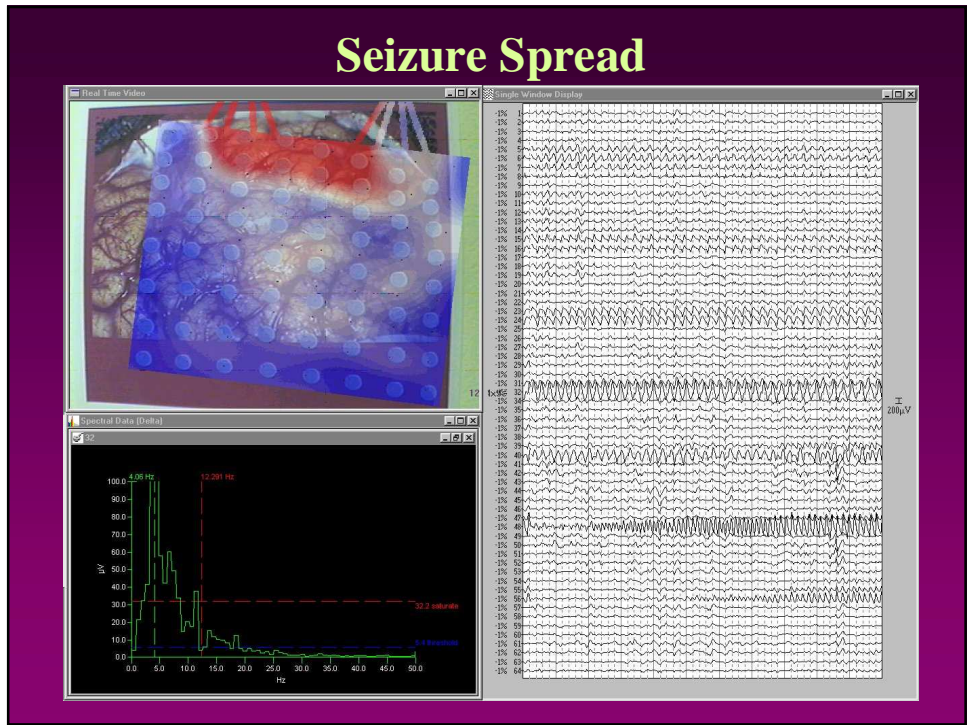
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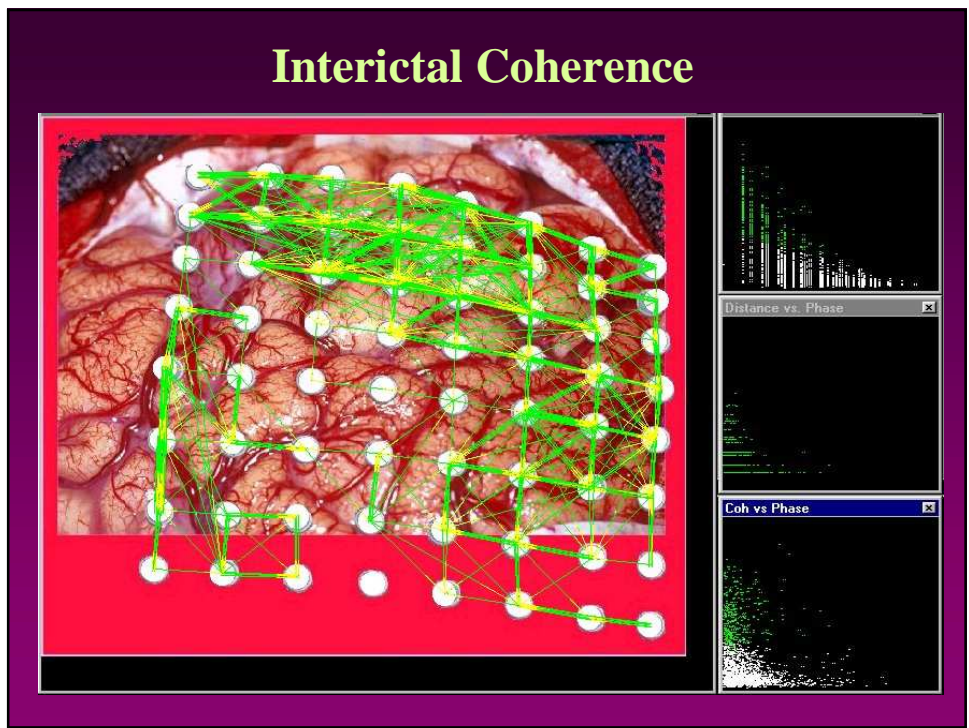
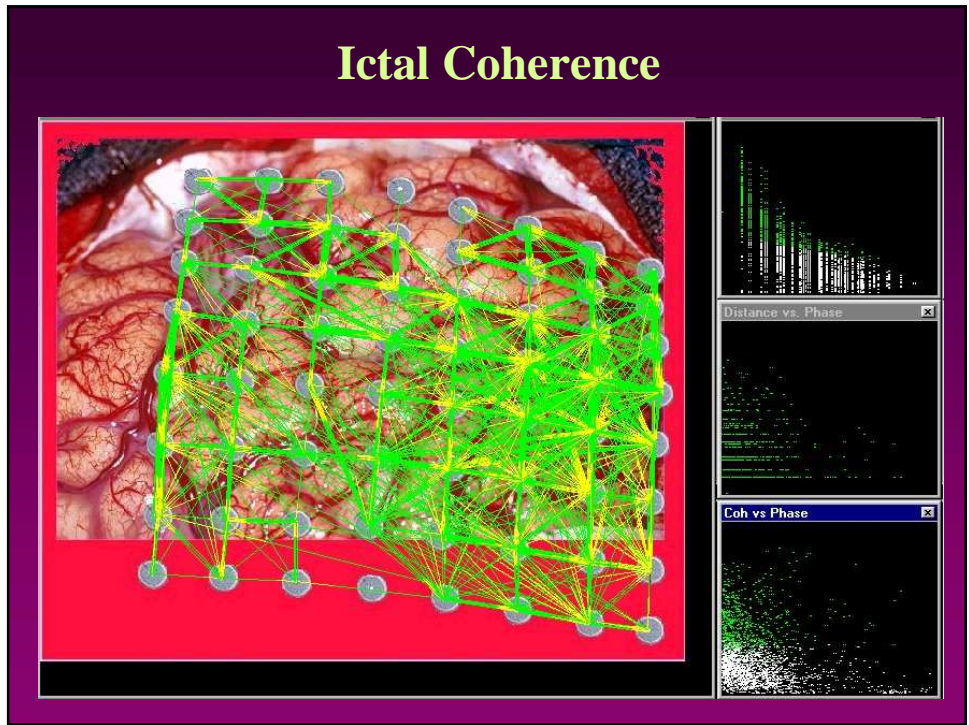
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Preliminary Conclusions

- 1. During the ictal period coherence increases within each cortical component of the epileptic system.**
- 2. Coherence can be used to identify the borders of epileptic areas.**
- 3. Coherence can be used to identify the epileptogenic zone.**
- 4. It appears that under some circumstances the epileptogenic zone can be identified from analysis of interictal recordings.**