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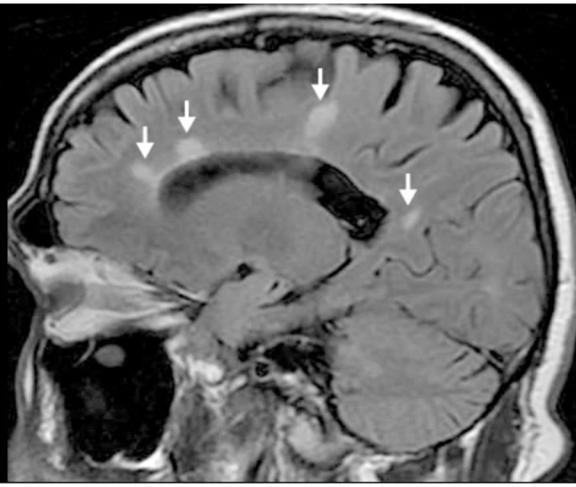
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Mapping the relationship between white matter lesions and depression in patients with multiple sclerosis



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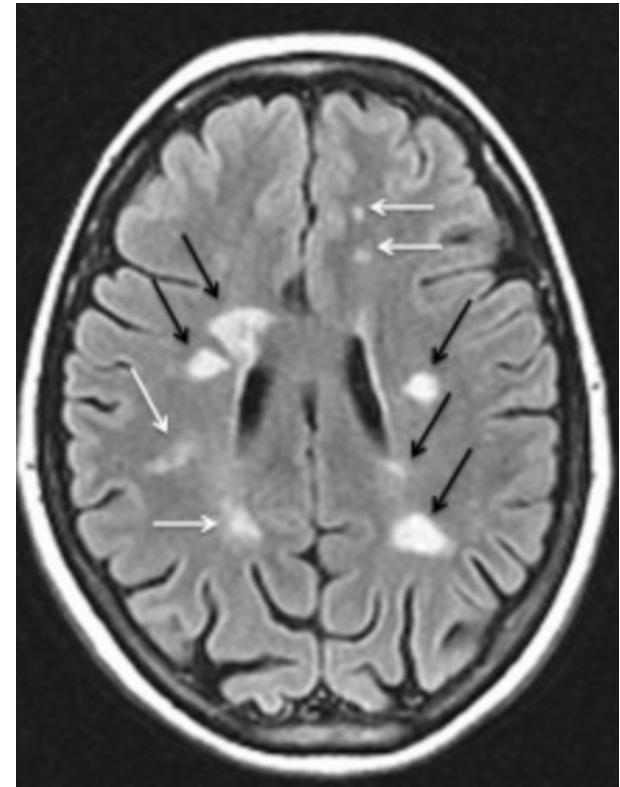
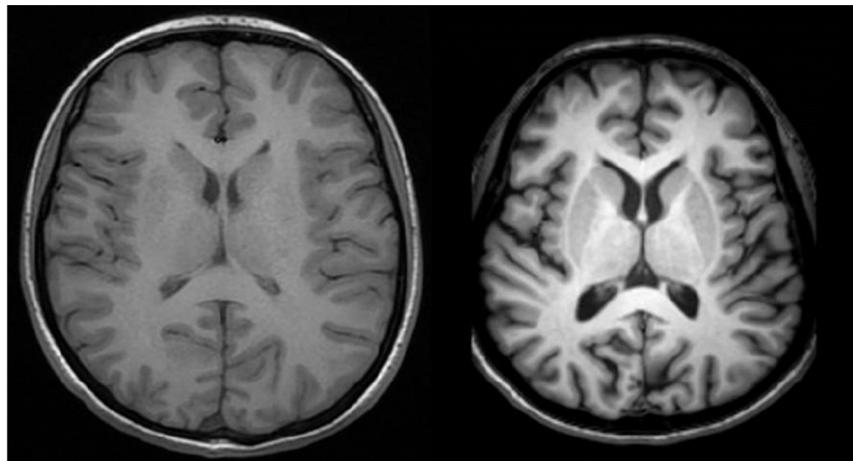
Effect of Sertraline on Depressive Symptoms in Patients With Chronic Kidney Disease Without Dialysis Dependence The CAST Randomized Clinical Trial

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CONCLUSIONS AND RELEVANCE Among patients with non-dialysis-dependent CKD and MDD, treatment with sertraline compared with placebo for 12 weeks did not significantly improve depressive symptoms. These findings do not support the use of sertraline to treat MDD in patients with non-dialysis-dependent CKD.

What I'm interested in - or should I say, what I'm frustrated by

Psychopathology



Current evidence on the efficacy and/or effectiveness of antidepressant medications for MS related depression is lacking. Additional study is needed ([Patten and Marrie, 2017](#)).

Multiple Sclerosis and Depression

- 1877: Jean-Martin Charcot noted that people with MS had behavioral irregularities
- 25-50% of people with MS will develop depression
- Rate is 2x-5x higher than general public, also higher than other diseases
- Mood fluctuation may portend relapse



Feinstein et al., 2014

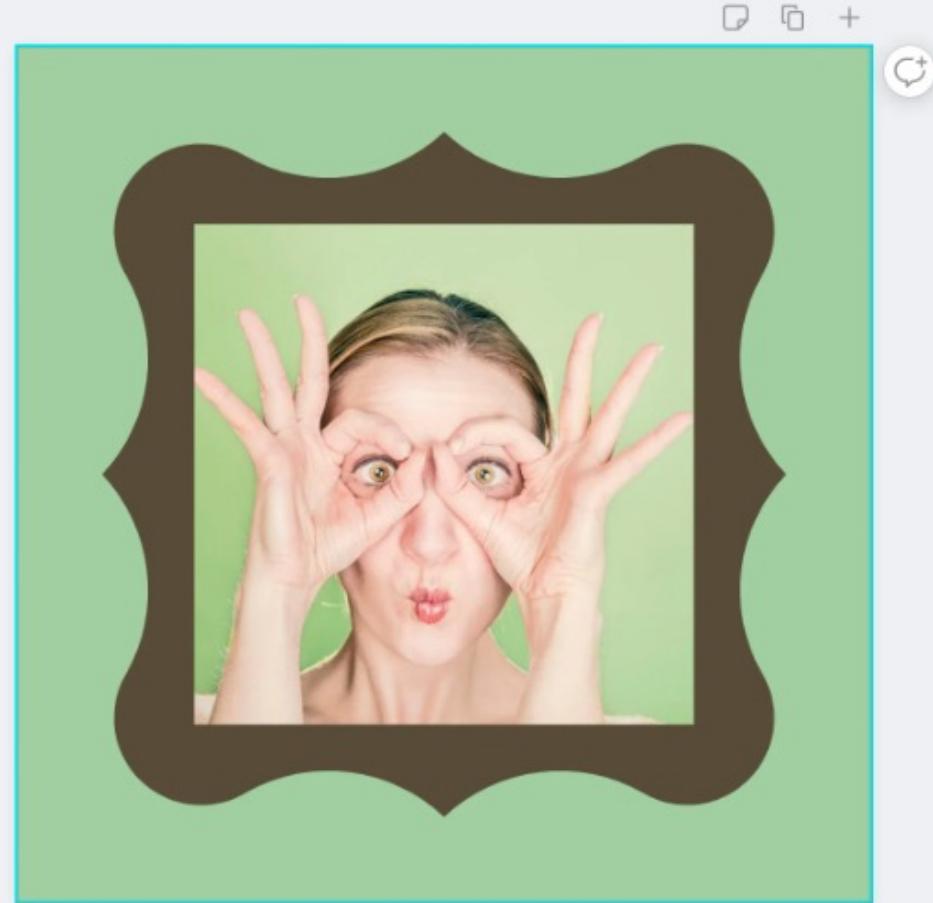
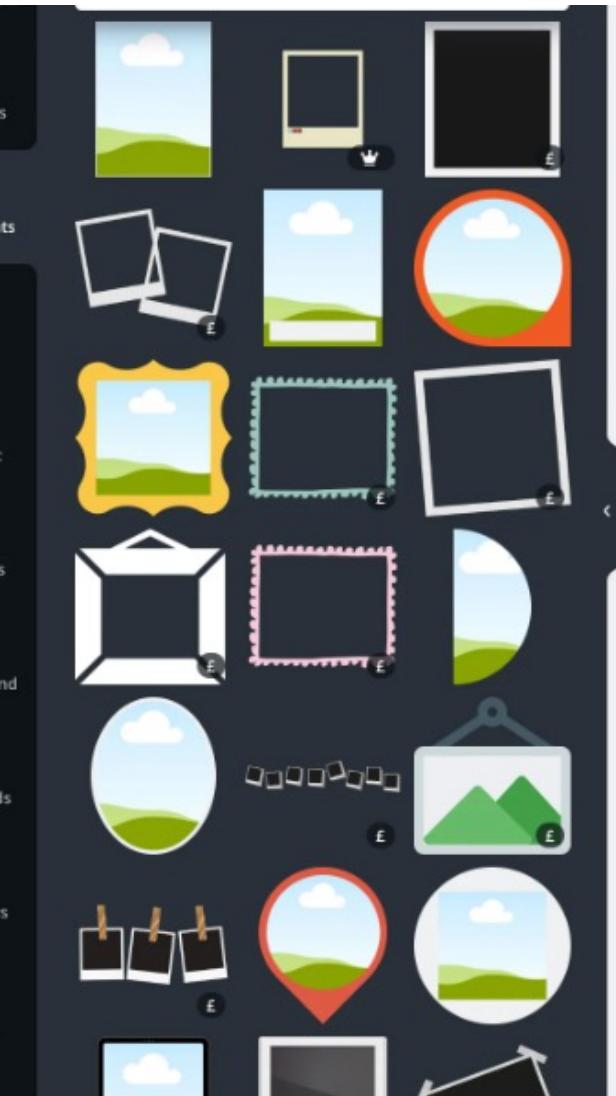
Table 1 | Multiple sclerosis and depression: brain imaging studies

Study	Number of participants	Assessment tools	Imaging modality	Imaging findings associated with depression	Laterality of findings	Findings associated with depression	Laterality of findings
Sabatini et al. ⁸⁰	20 (10 depressed, 10 nondepressed)	DSM-III*	Single-photon emission CT	Increased perfusion in limbic areas	Left	Perfusion in limbic areas	Left
Pujol et al. ^{67,68}	45	BDI-II‡	T2-weighted MRI	Increased lesion load in the arcuate fasciculus associated with somatic and affective symptoms	Left	Lesion load in the arcuate fasciculus associated with somatic and affective symptoms	Left
Fassbender et al. ⁷⁸	73 (23 with RRMS, 50 healthy controls)	DSM-III-R,* HRSD, ZSRDS	Gadolinium-enhanced MRI	Increased lesion load linked to increased cortisol and a positive dexamethasone suppression test	None reported	Lesion load linked to increased cortisol and a positive dexamethasone suppression test	None reported
Bakshi et al. ⁶⁹	48 (19 depressed, 29 nondepressed)	DSM-IV,* HRSD, BDI	T1-weighted MRI	Superior frontal, superior parietal and temporal lesions; enlargement of lateral and third ventricles; frontal atrophy	Left	Atrophy, superior parietal and temporal enlargement of lateral and third ventricles; frontal atrophy	Left
Berg et al. ⁷²	78	DSM-IV*	T2-weighted MRI	Increased lesion load in temporal lobe	Right	Lesion load in temporal lobe	Right
Zorzon et al. ⁷¹	90	DSM-IV,* HDRS	MRI	Atrophy in the left frontal lobe; severity of depressive symptoms associated with reduced right temporal lobe volume	Bilateral	Atrophy in the left frontal lobe; severity of depressive symptoms associated with reduced right temporal lobe volume	Bilateral
Feinstein et al. ⁷⁰	40 (21 depressed, 19 nondepressed)	DSM-IV*	T1-weighted and T2-weighted MRI	Increased lesion volume in medial inferior prefrontal cortex; anterior temporal atrophy	Left	Lesion volume in medial inferior prefrontal cortex; anterior temporal atrophy	Left
Passamonti et al. ⁸¹	24 (12 with MS, 12 healthy controls)	CMDI, HAM-A‡	Functional MRI	Reduced functional connectivity between ventrolateral prefrontal cortex and amygdala	Bilateral	Functional connectivity between ventrolateral prefrontal cortex and amygdala	Bilateral
Gold et al. ⁷⁵	49 (20 with RRMS, 29 healthy controls)	BDI-II‡	MRI	Hippocampal atrophy, particularly in CA2, CA3 and dentate gyrus, linked to increased cortisol	Bilateral	Hippocampal atrophy, particularly in CA2, CA3 and dentate gyrus, linked to increased cortisol	Bilateral
Feinstein et al. ⁷³	62 (30 depressed, 32 nondepressed)	BDI-II‡	T1-weighted MRI plus diffusion tensor imaging	Increased lesion volume in right medial inferior frontal region; atrophy of left superior frontal region; reduced fractional anisotropy; higher mean diffusivity in left anterior temporal normal-appearing white and grey matter; higher mean diffusivity in right inferior frontal hyperintense lesions	Bilateral	Lesion volume in right medial inferior frontal region; atrophy of left superior frontal region; reduced fractional anisotropy; higher mean diffusivity in left anterior temporal normal-appearing white and grey matter; higher mean diffusivity in right inferior frontal hyperintense lesions	Bilateral
Kiy et al. ⁶¹	88 (72 with MS, 16 healthy controls)	BDI-II‡	MRI	Increased temporal horn volume correlated with mood-related aspects of the BDI-II, but not with somatic items	Left	Temporal horn volume correlated with mood-related aspects of the BDI-II, but not with somatic items	Left
Gold et al. ⁷⁹	109 women with MS	CES-D‡	MRI	Reduced hippocampal thickness	Right	Hippocampal thickness	Right

*Participants were diagnosed with major depressive disorder by means of a structured clinical interview. ‡Depression was measured using rating scales, but no formal diagnosis was made. Abbreviations: BDI-II, Beck Depression Inventory; CES-D, Centre for Epidemiologic Studies—Depression Scale; CMDI, Chicago Multiscale Depression Inventory; DSM, Diagnostic Statistical Manual for Mental Disorders; HAM-A, Hamilton Anxiety Rating Scale; HRSD, Hamilton Rating Scale for Depression; MS, multiple sclerosis; RRMS, relapsing-remitting MS; ZSRDS, Zung Self-Report Depression Scale.

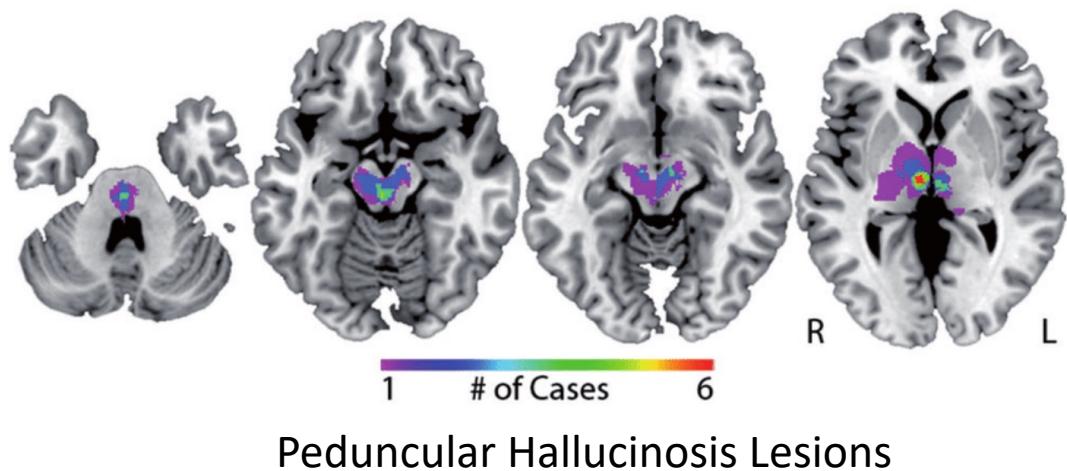
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No consistent findings
Heterogeneity in
Sample size
Depression screening tool
Imaging Modality
Laterality



Lesion network mapping framework

- Heterogeneous lesions produce similar neuropsychiatric phenotypes
- Create challenges for 1:1 mapping of symptoms to brain
- Hypothesis: Lesions of the same **network** cause similar phenotypes
- Conditions studied so far
 - Peduncular hallucinosis
 - Hemiballismus
 - Depression
 - Delusions
 - Criminality
 - Disorders of free will



Boes et al., 2015

Assumption: Functional networks are *structurally connected*

Lesions Causing the Same Symptom

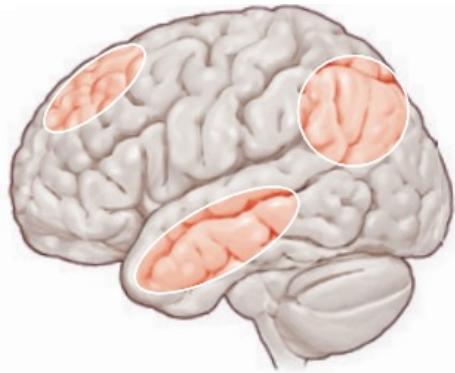


Figure 1. Heterogeneous brain lesions that cause the same symptoms are part of a connected brain network. Adapted from Fox et al., 2018. *NEJM*.

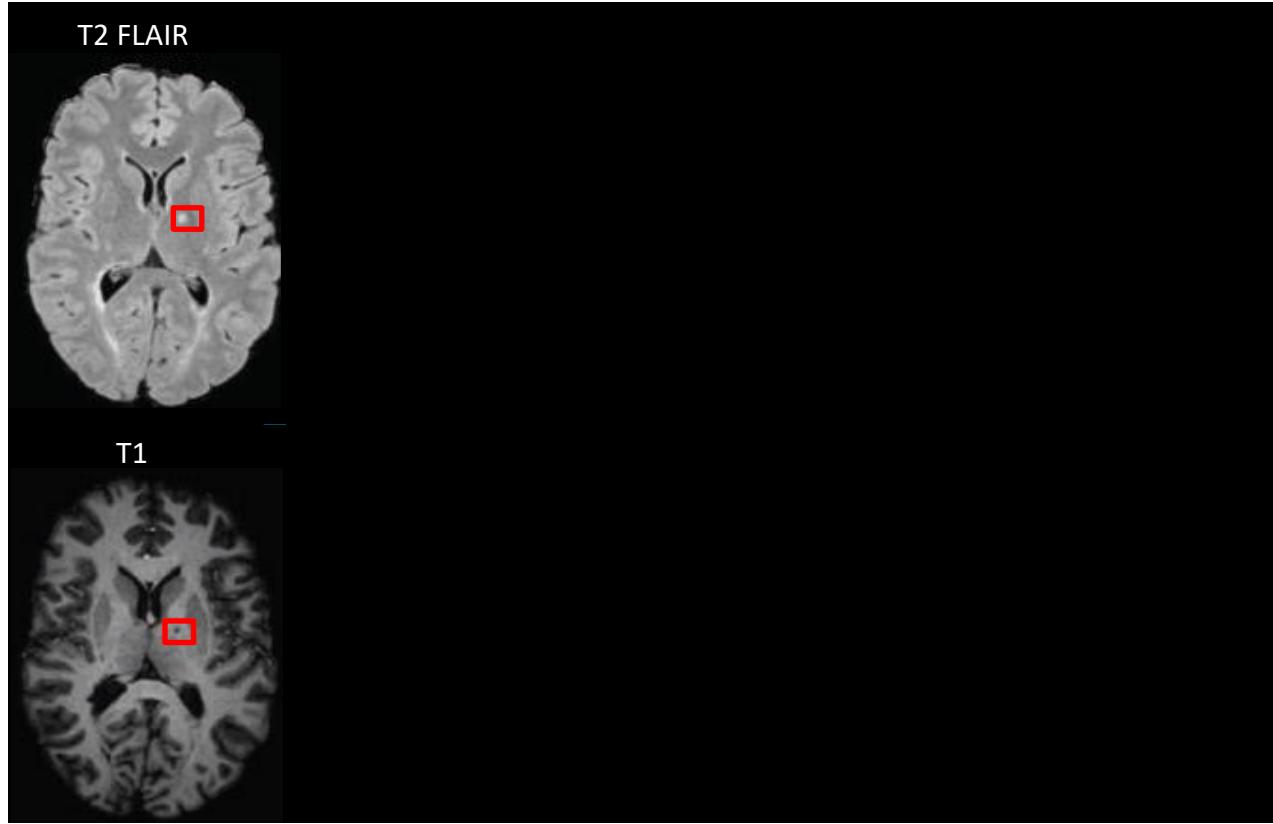
Are white matter lesions in MS that connect these functional networks associated with depression?

Participants
n = 890

Demographics

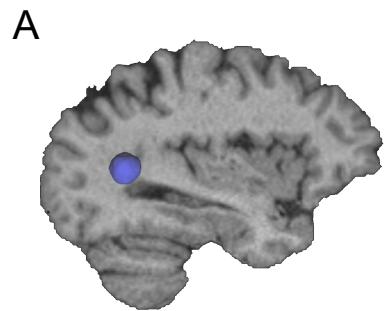
	MS+Depression	MS-Depression	P
n	232	148	
Age (mean [SD])	48.8 [11.8]	46.6 [12.7]	0.09 (NS)
Sex (% Female)	199 (85.8%)	117 (79.1%)	0.12 (NS)
Race (% White)	173 (74.6%)	108 (73.0%)	0.60 (NS)
PHQ2 (mean [SD])	0.6 [1.5]	0	<0.001
PHQ9 (mean [SD])	10.4 [9.0]	0	<0.001

Automated Lesion Segmentation: Method for Intermodal Segmentation Analysis (MIMoSA)



Valcarcel et al., 2018. *Journal of Neuroimaging*

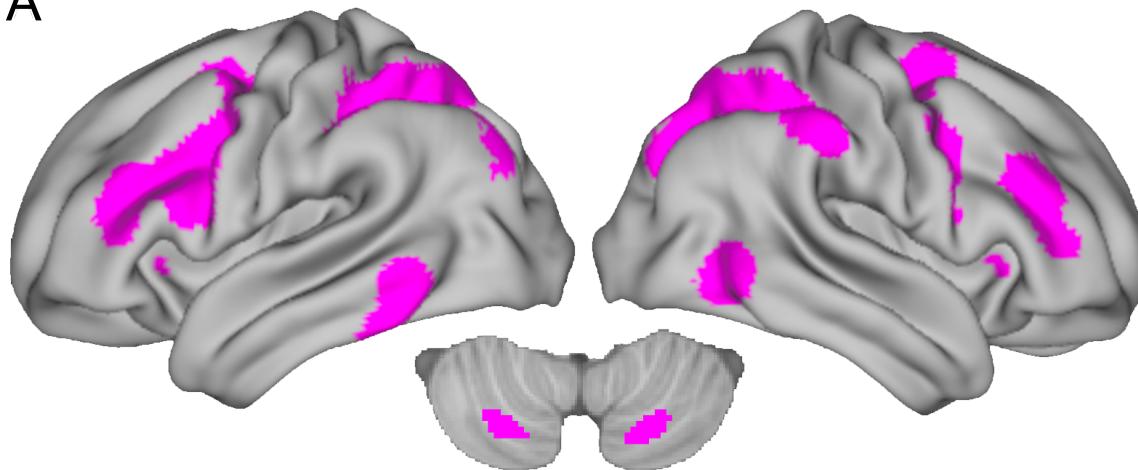
Assessing white matter fascicle impact from lesions: Streamline Filtering



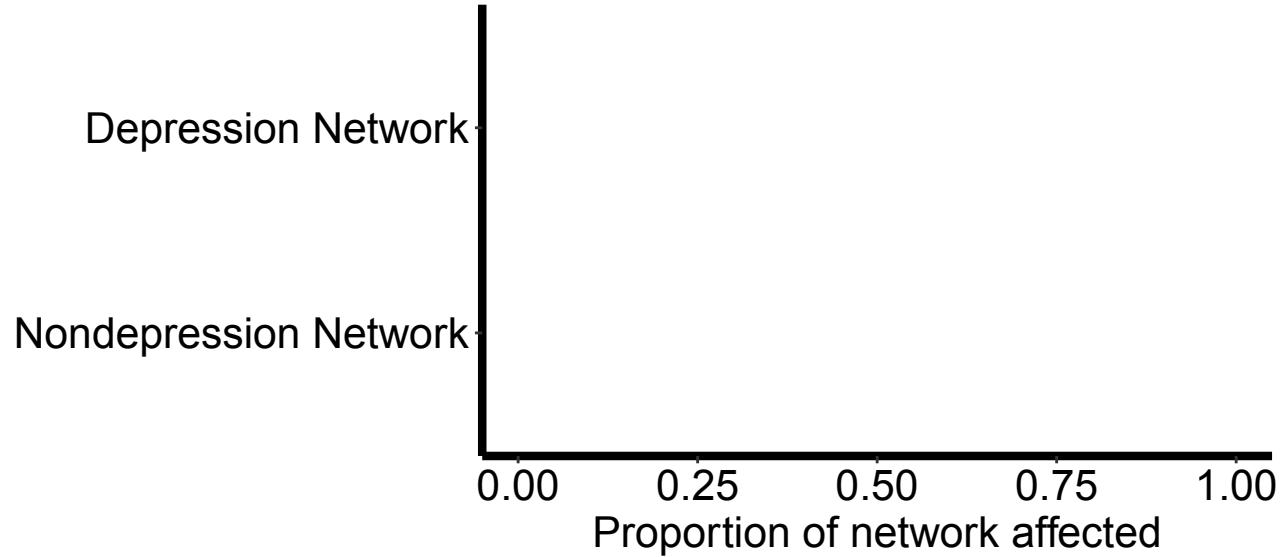
Lesion in native space

Constructing the white matter depression network

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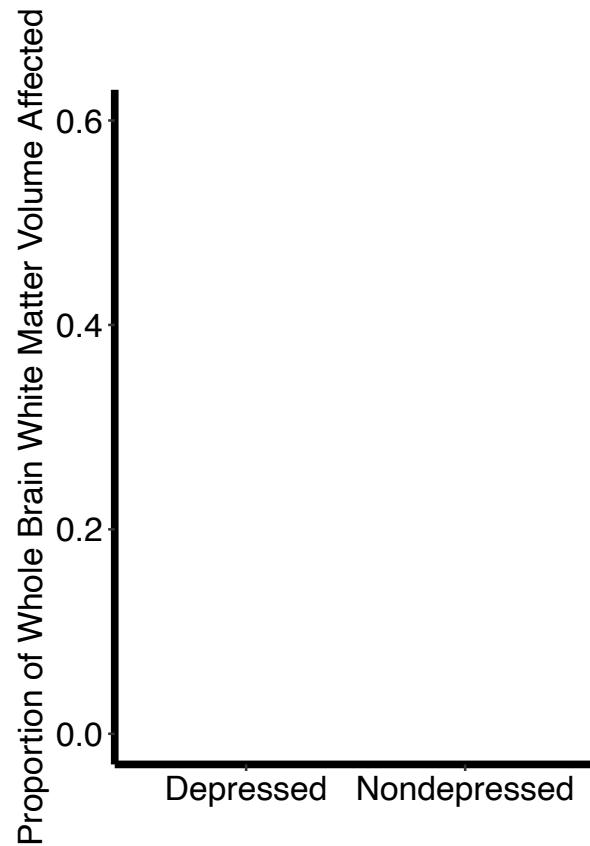


Lesions preferentially impact white matter fascicles in the depression network

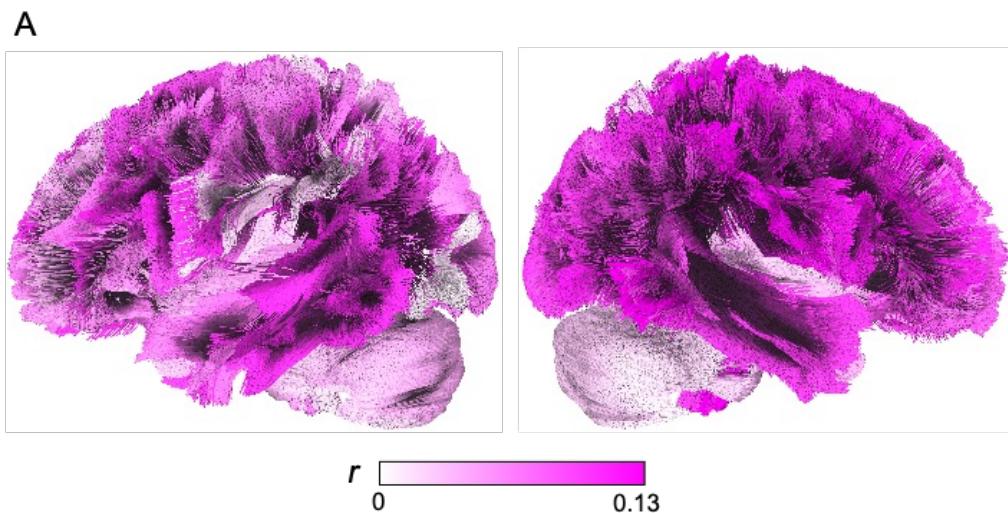


Depressed MS patients have more disease than nondepressed MS patients

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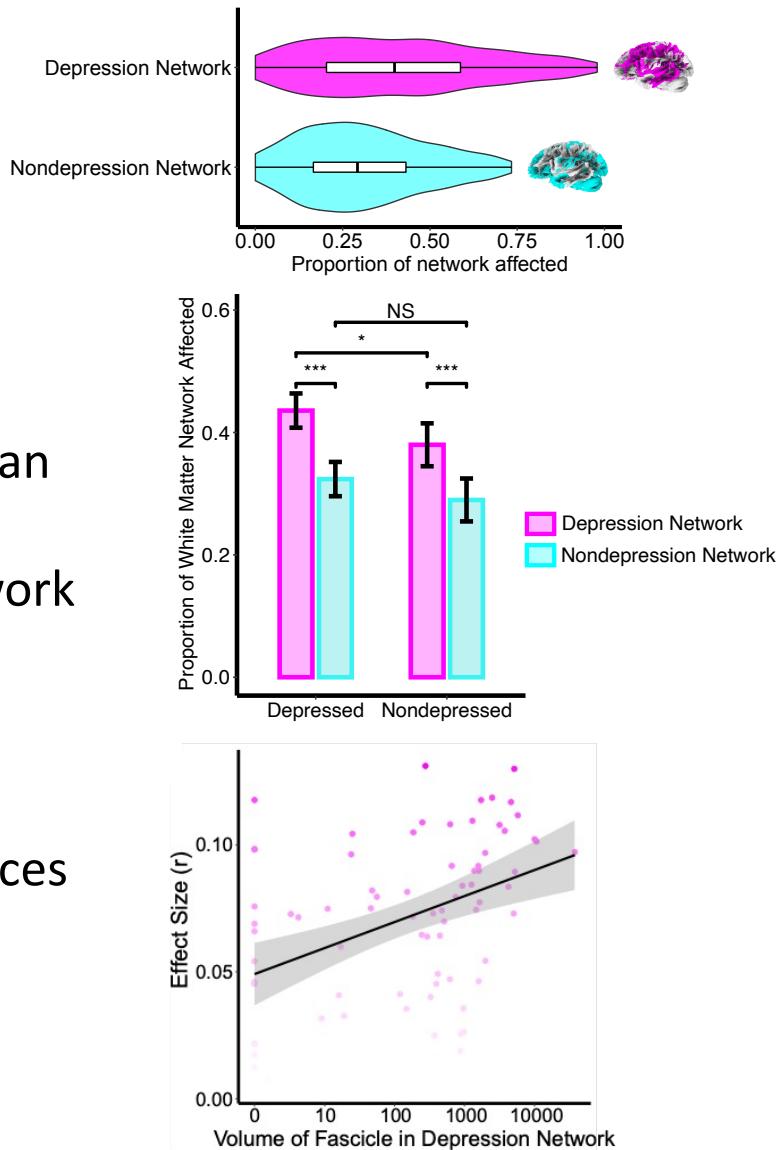


Bigger diagnostic effects in fascicles with higher depression network overlap



Summary

- MS lesions preferentially target white matter fascicles that connect the depression network
- Patients with depression have more disease than nondepressed MS patients
 - Driven by more disease in depression network
- Within each fascicle, bigger diagnostic differences are associated with greater overlap with the depression network



THANK YOU!!!!

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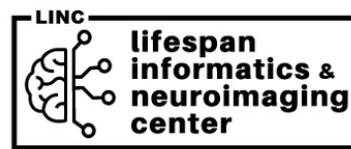
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