# Meta-analyzing the cortical networks for language and semantics in children

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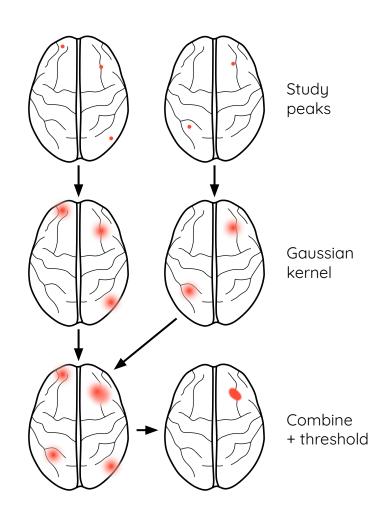
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## COORDINATE-BASED META-ANALYSIS

Synthesize activation peaks from imaging studies to overcome:

- Spurious findings
- Low statistical power
- Limited generalizability



## **METHOD**

#### 1. LITERATURE SEARCH



#### 2. META-ANALYSIS





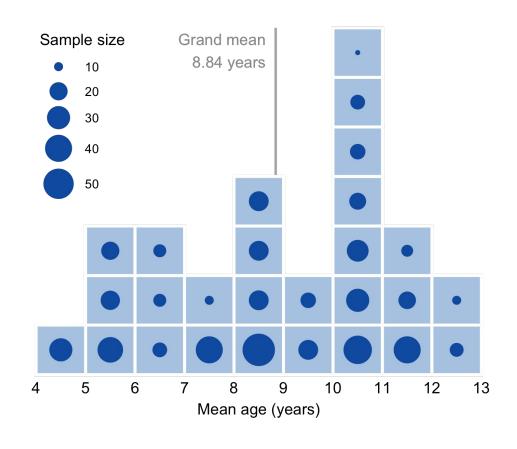
#### 3. GROUP COMPARISONS

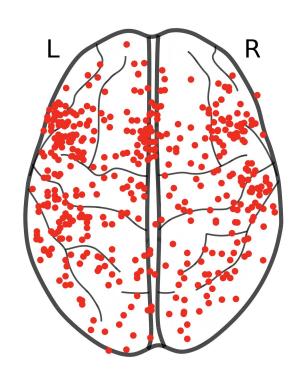
Task types Age groups Adult data

#### 4. ROBUSTNESS CHECKS

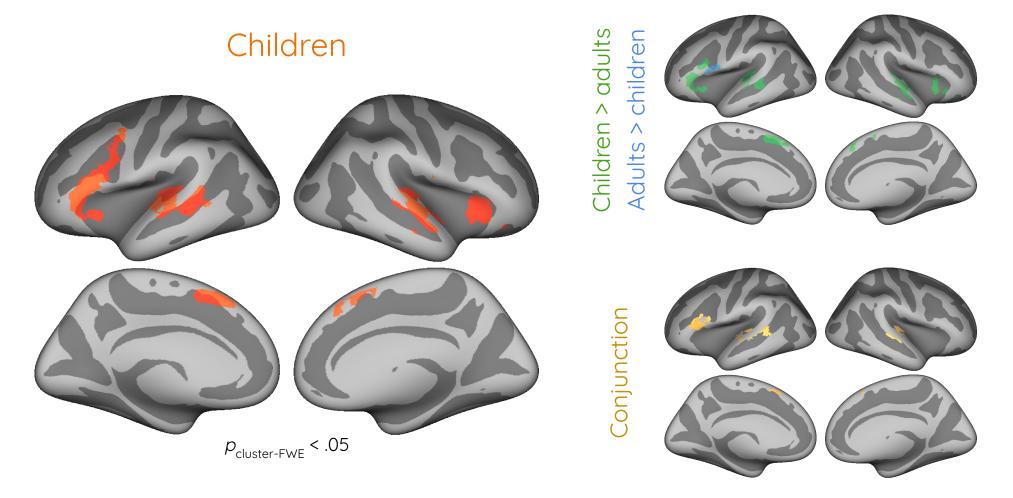
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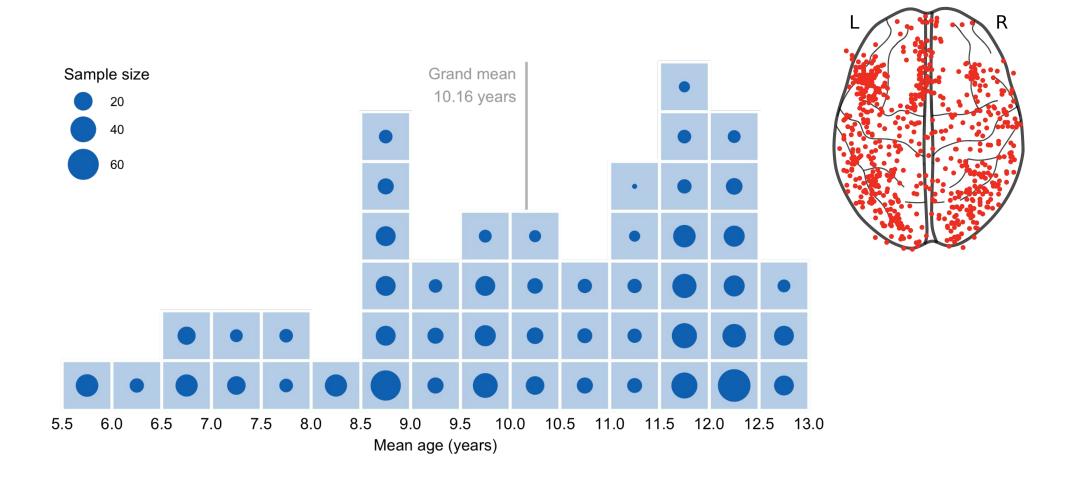


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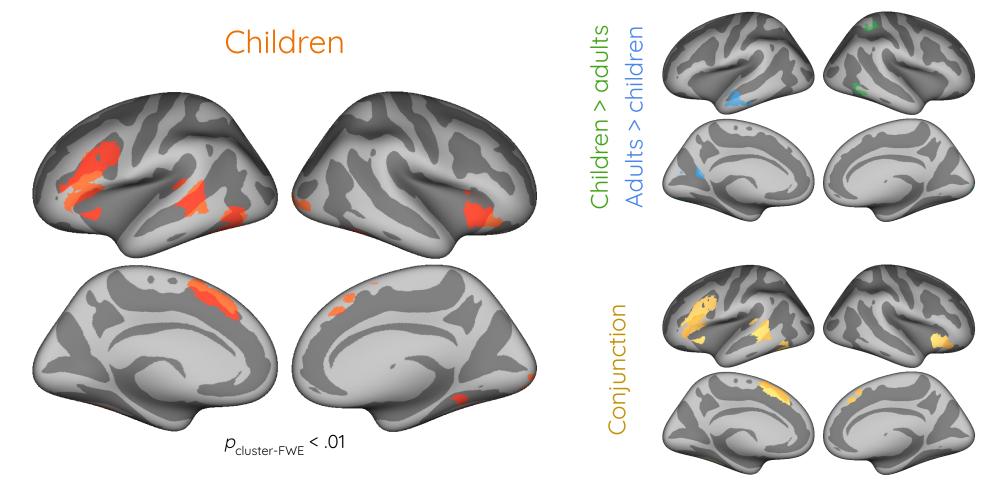


Enge et al. 2020; Rodd et al. 2015

# SEMANTIC PROCESSING



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Enge et al. 2021; Jackson 2021

## SUMMARY

- Large overlap in the cortical networks for language and semantics between children and adults
- Language processing: Dissociation in left IFG and reduced lateralization
- Semantic processing: Reduced recruitment of ATL







**QUESTIONS & COMMENTS** 

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