

# MAPPING HUMAN CORTEX

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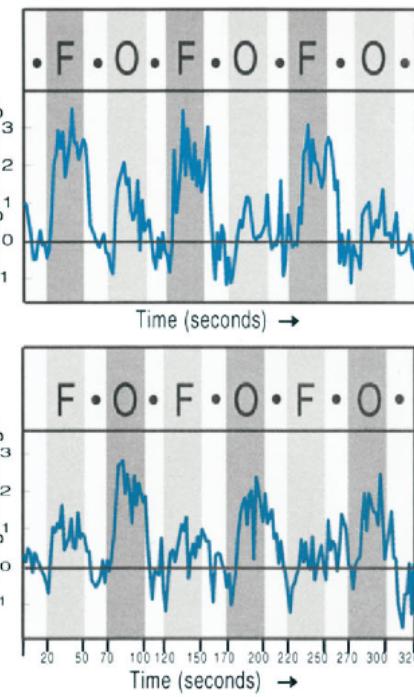
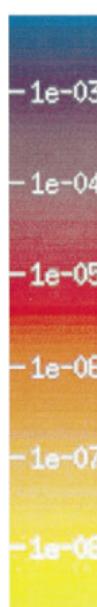
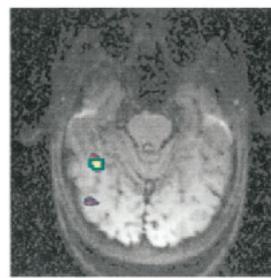
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# INFOGRAPHIC

- \* Your first **infographic** homework was due TODAY!
- \* YOU'RE AMAZING

# Functional localizer for the fusiform face area

1a. Faces > Objects



1b. Objects > Faces

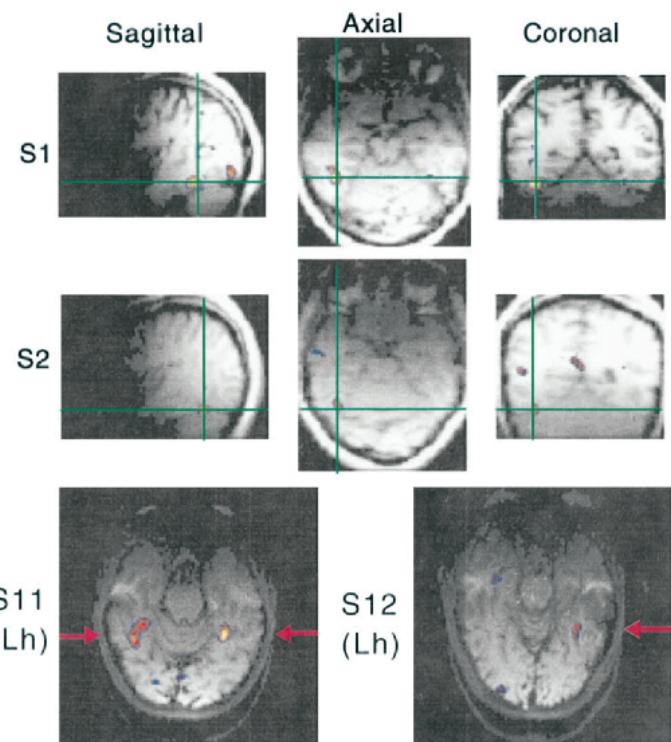
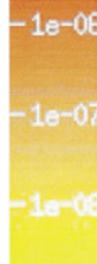
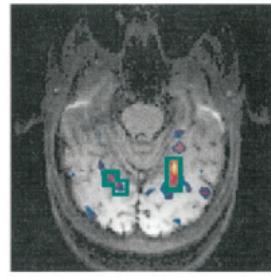
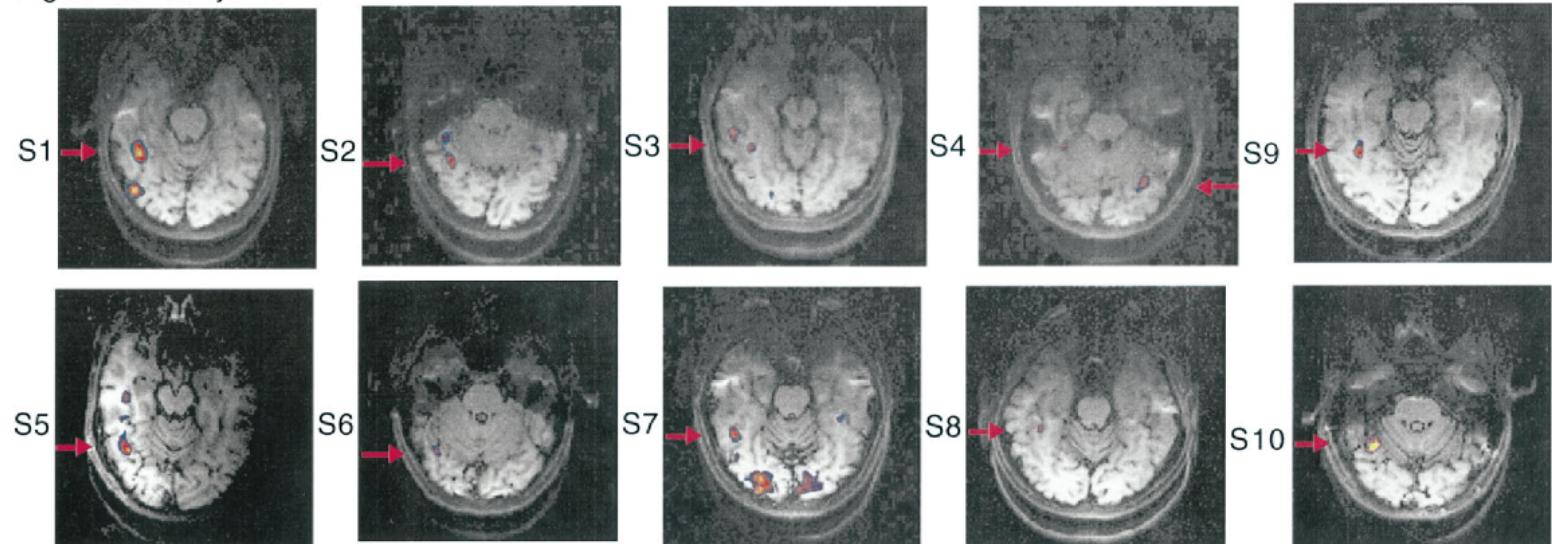


Fig 2. 12 Subjects

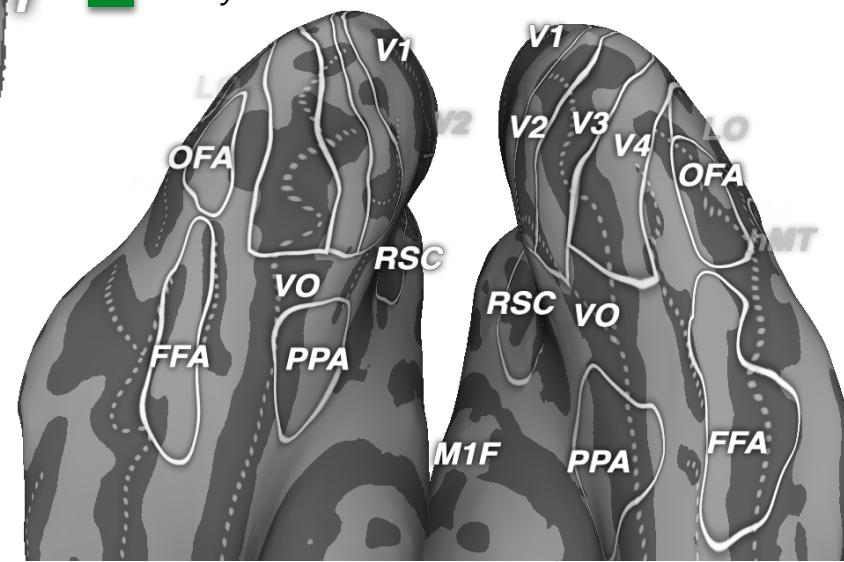
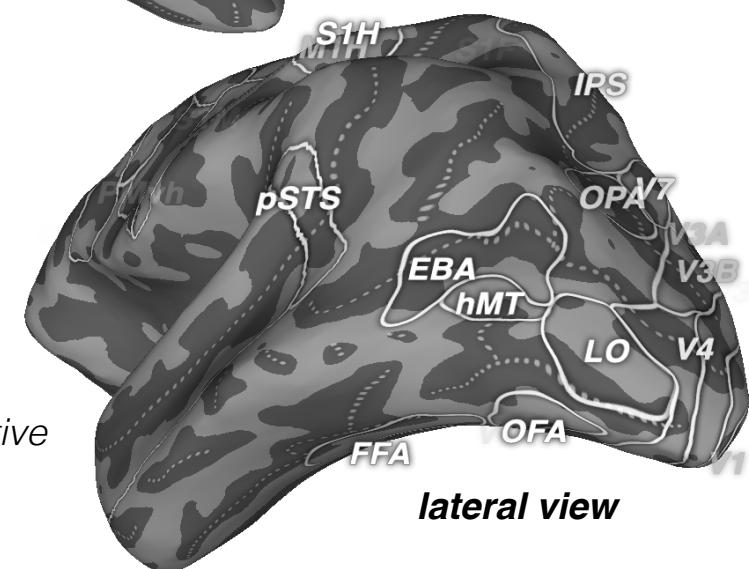
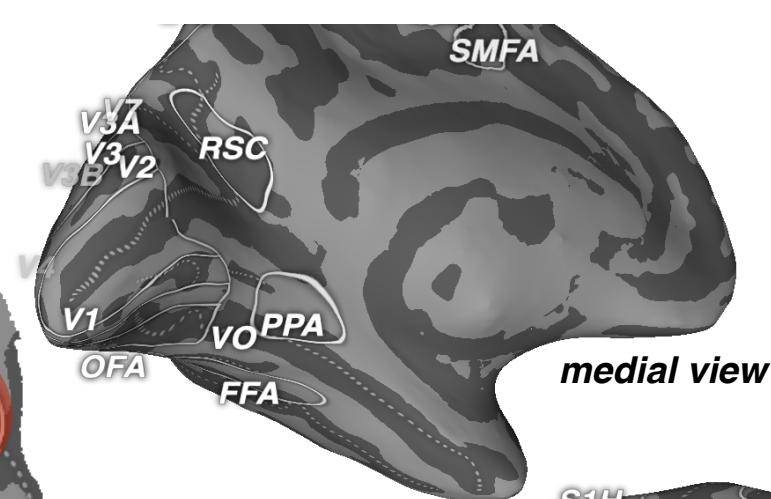
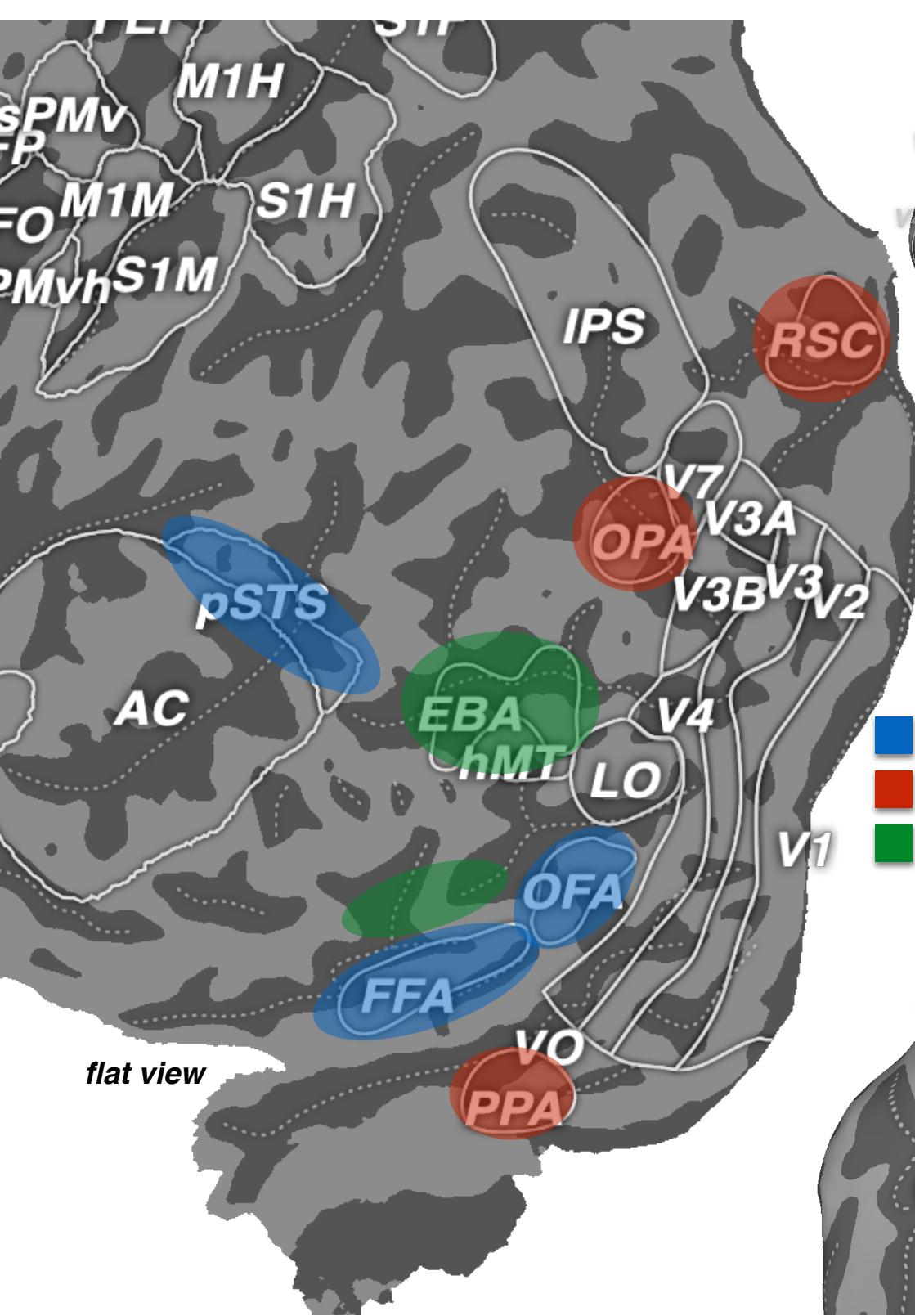


# LOCALIZATIONISM

- \* Do we believe that this area is actually specific to processing faces?
  - \* What is **special** about faces?
  - \* **Why faces** & not other categories of stimuli?

# CATEGORY SELECTIVITY

- \* It's now accepted that many parts of anterior ("higher-level") visual cortex are **category-selective**
  - \* We call these areas **semantic** because they care about *meaning* more than *form*
  - \* e.g. the **face areas** (FFA, OFA, etc.) and the **place areas** (PPA, OPA, RSC)



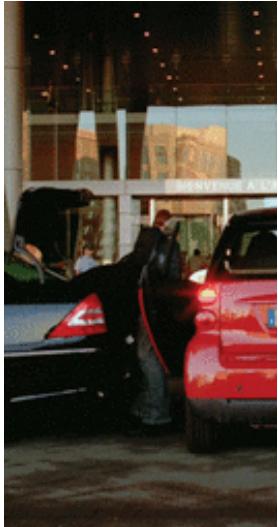
# LIMITS OF DEDUCTION

- \* Each experiment is designed to a small number of **hypotheses**
- \* What if truth doesn't clean map onto these hypotheses?
- \* What if the result doesn't generalize?

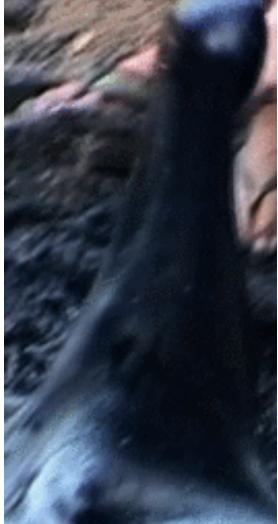
# INDUCTIVE APPROACH

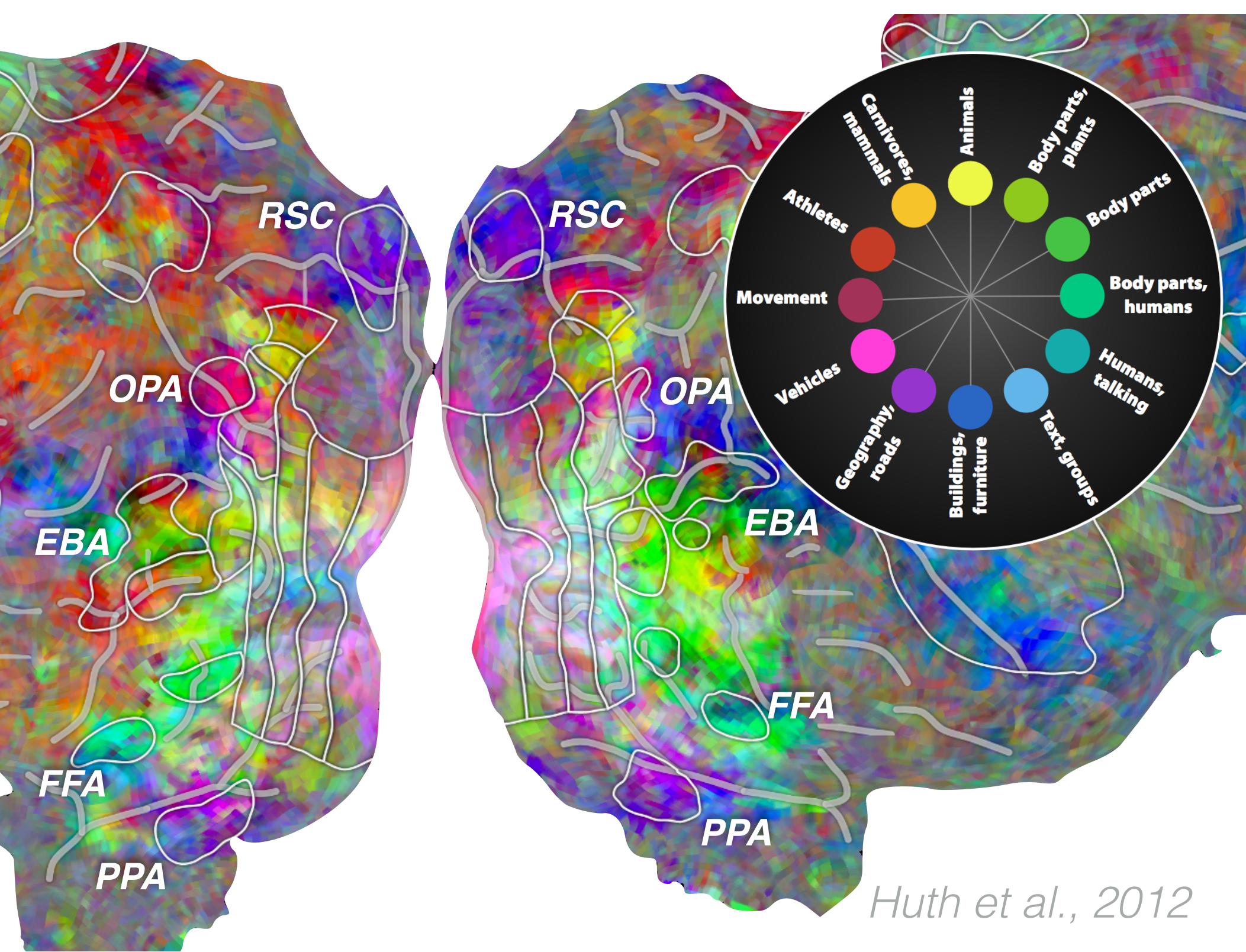
- \* **Measure** brain responses to a wide variety of stimuli
- \* **Build** model to predict responses based on stimuli
- \* **Test** whether model generalizes to different stimuli
- \* **Use** model to answer questions about brain

# NATURAL STIMULI

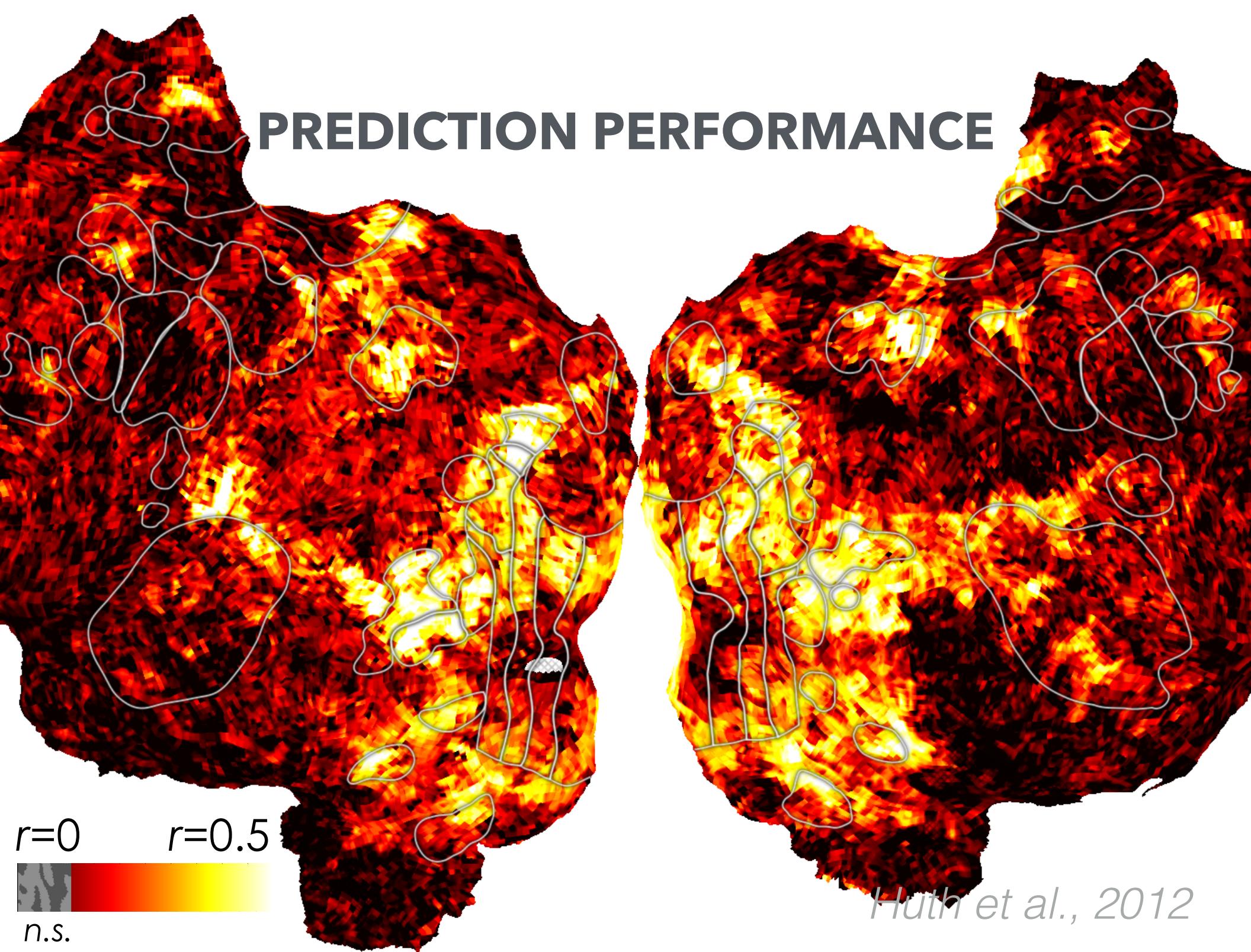


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horse  
walk  
road  
spectator  
mountain





# PREDICTION PERFORMANCE



**UNTIL**

**NEXT**

**TIME**