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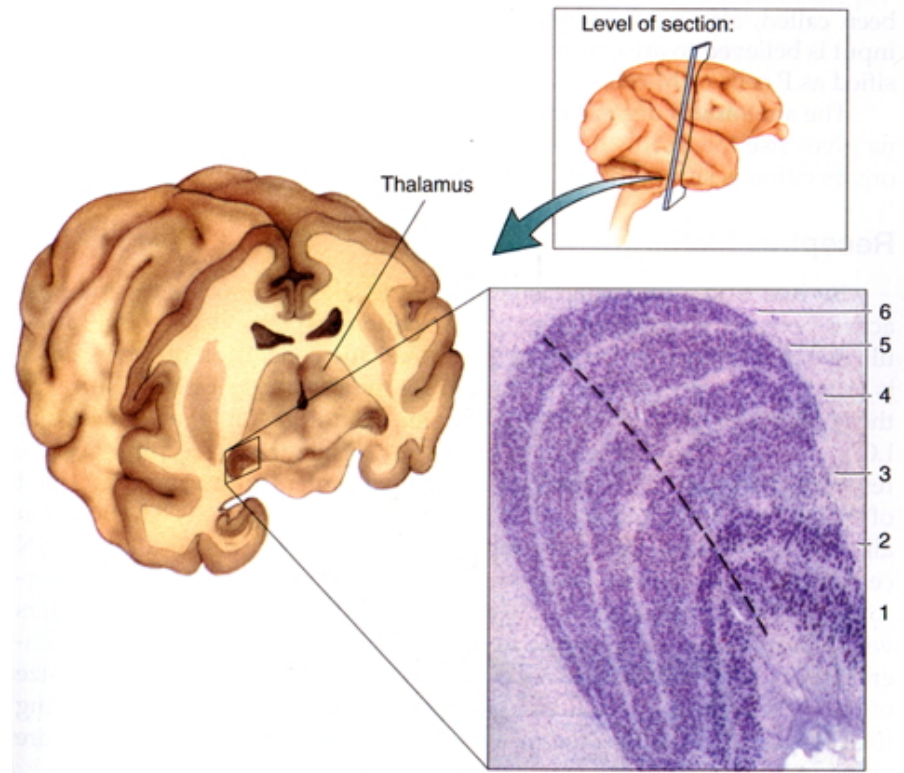
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# Today's Topics

- Quiz 2 available now; due by start of class on Wed, 10/25
- Wrap up on vision
- The neuroscience of action

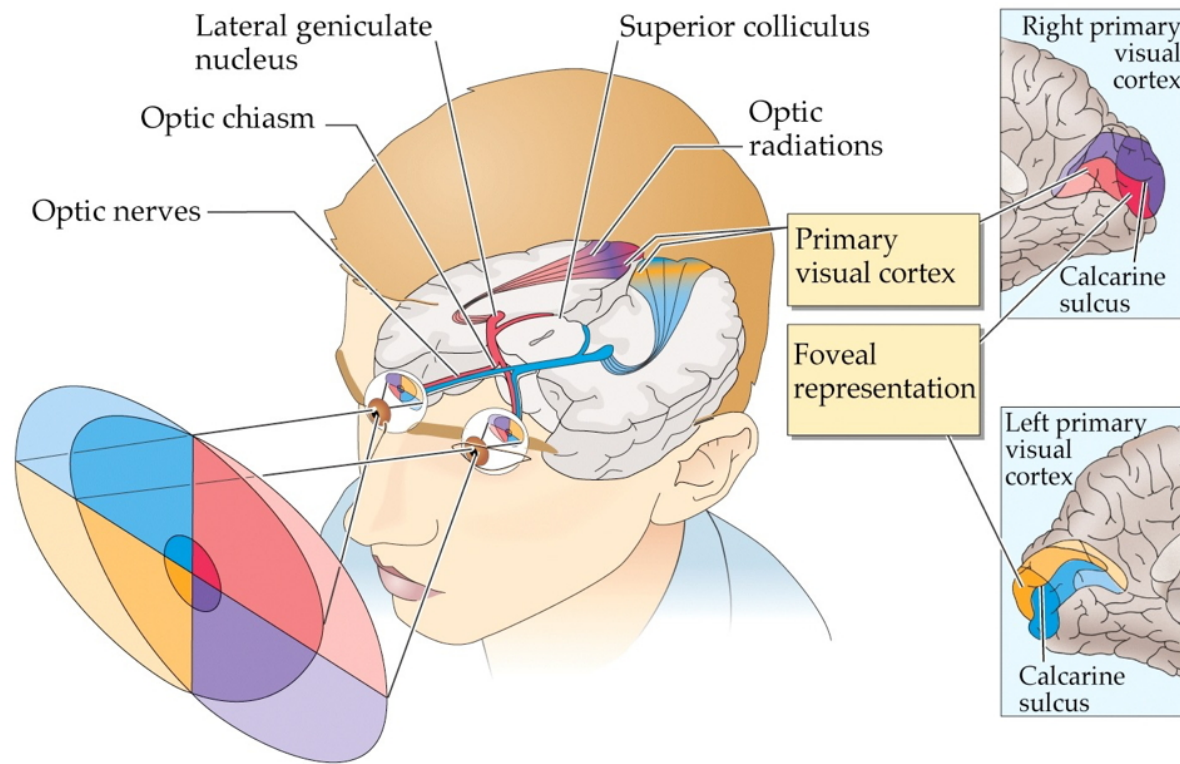
# LGN



# LGN

- 6 layers + intralaminar zone
  - Parvocellular (small cells): chromatic
  - Magnocellular (big cells): achromatic
  - Koniocellular (chromatic - short wavelength?)
- Retinotopic map of opposite visual field

# From LGN to V1

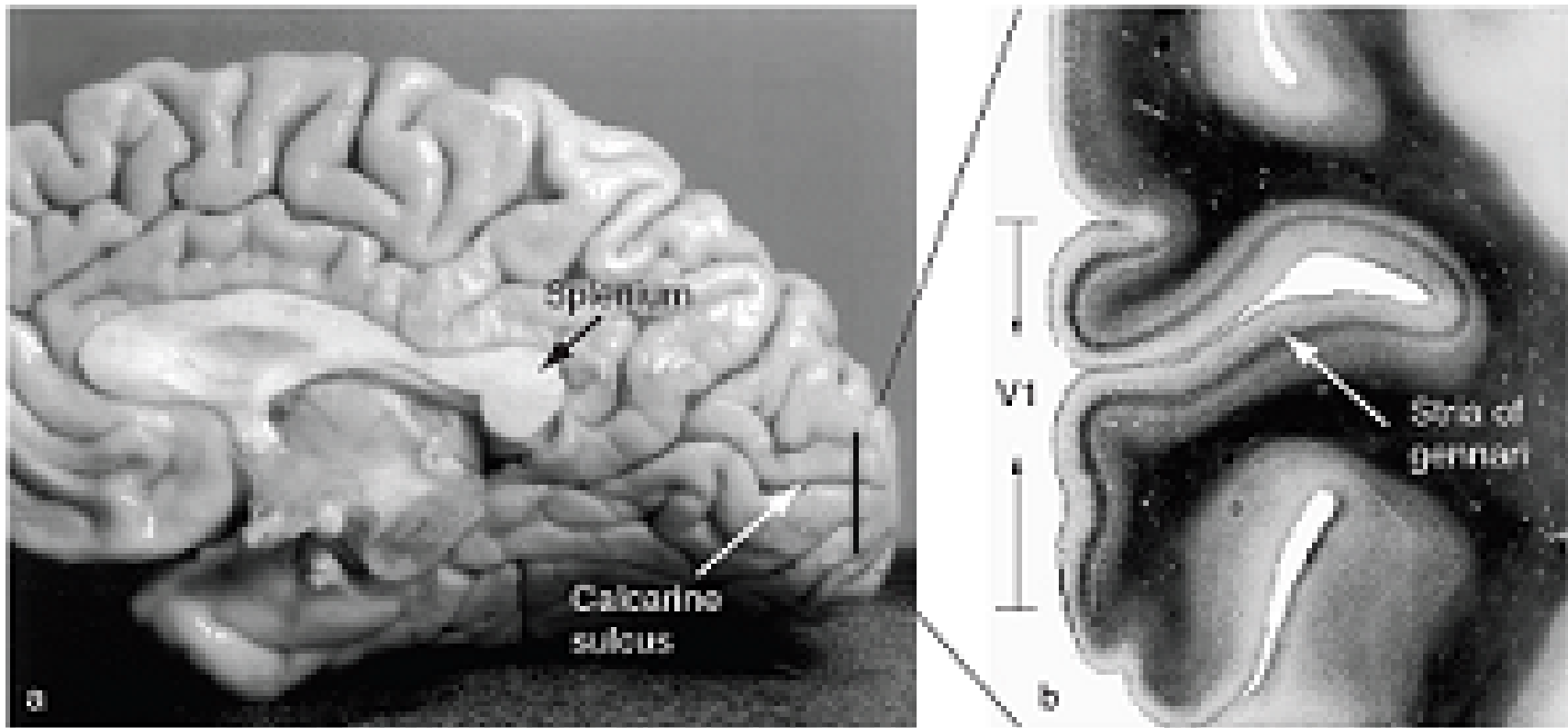


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# From LGN to V1

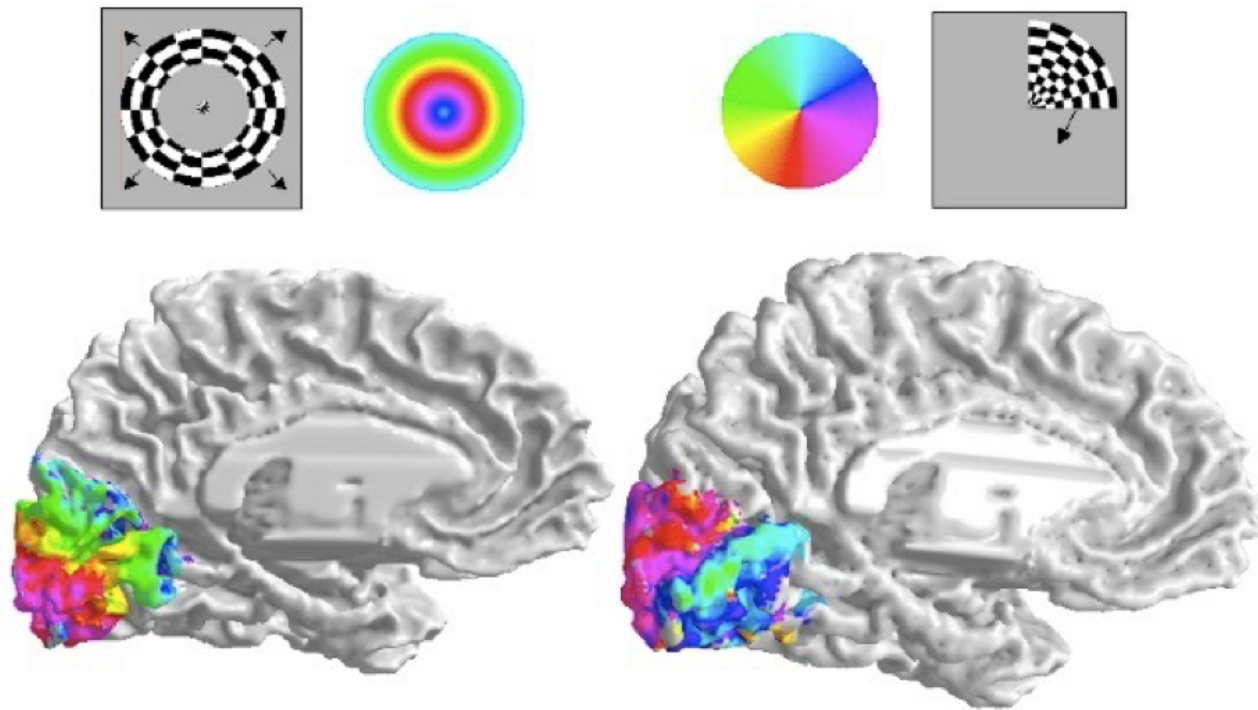
- Via *optic radiations*
- Primary visual cortex (V1) in occipital lobe
- Create "stria of Gennari" (visible stripe in layer 4)
- Calcarine fissure (medial occipital lobe) divides lower/upper visual field

# Human V1



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# Measuring retinotopy in V1



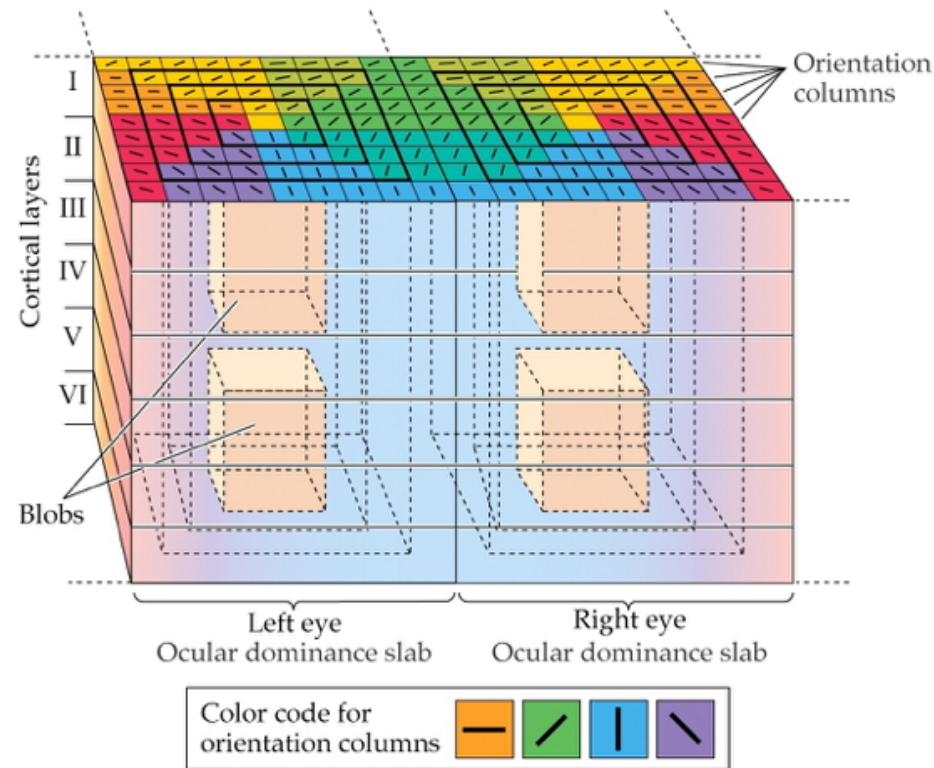
(Dougherty et al. 2003)



# Retinotopy in V1

- Fovea overrepresented
  - Analogous to somatosensation
  - High acuity in fovea vs. lower outside it
- Upper visual field/lower (ventral) V1 and *vice versa*

# V1 has laminar, columnar organization



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# V1 has laminar, columnar organization

- 6 laminae (layers)
  - Input: Layer 4 (remember stria of Gennari?)
  - Output: Layers 2-3 (to cortex), 5 (to brainstem), 6 (to LGN)

# V1 has laminar, columnar organization

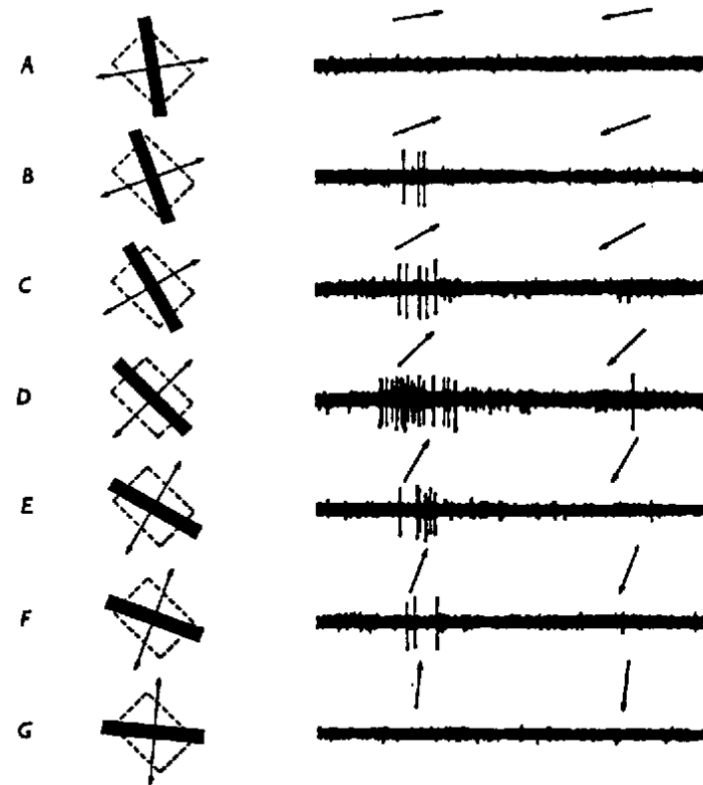
- Columns
  - Orientation/angle
  - Spatial frequency

# The "accidental" discovery of oriented receptive fields in V1

Hubel and Wiesel Cat Experiment

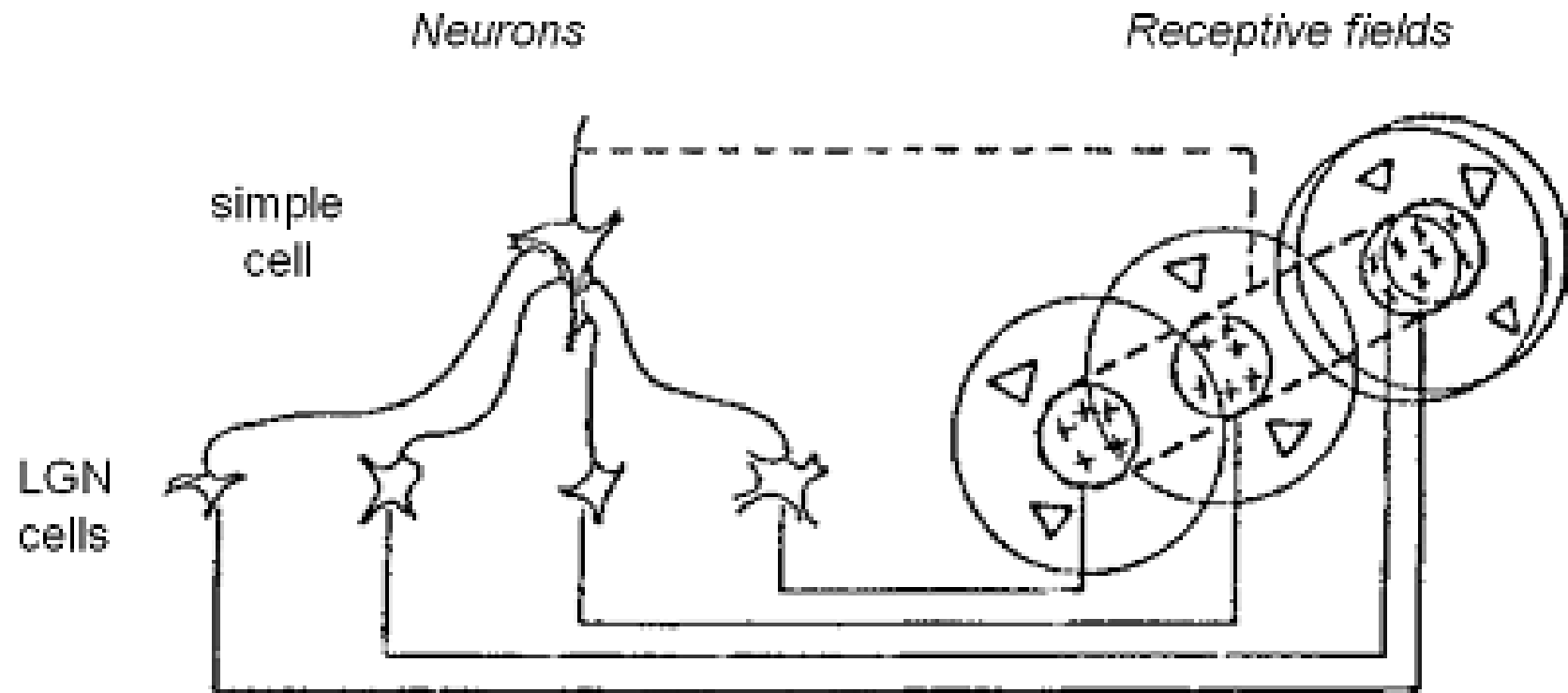


# Orientation/angle tuning



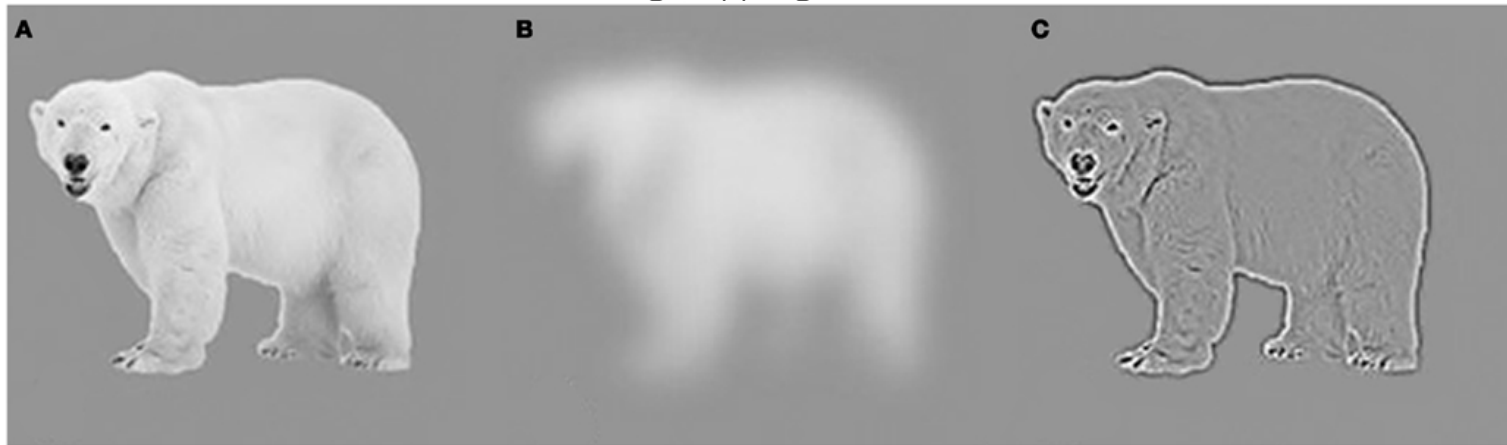
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# From center-surround receptive fields to line detection



# Spatial frequency tuning

Low == gist || high == details



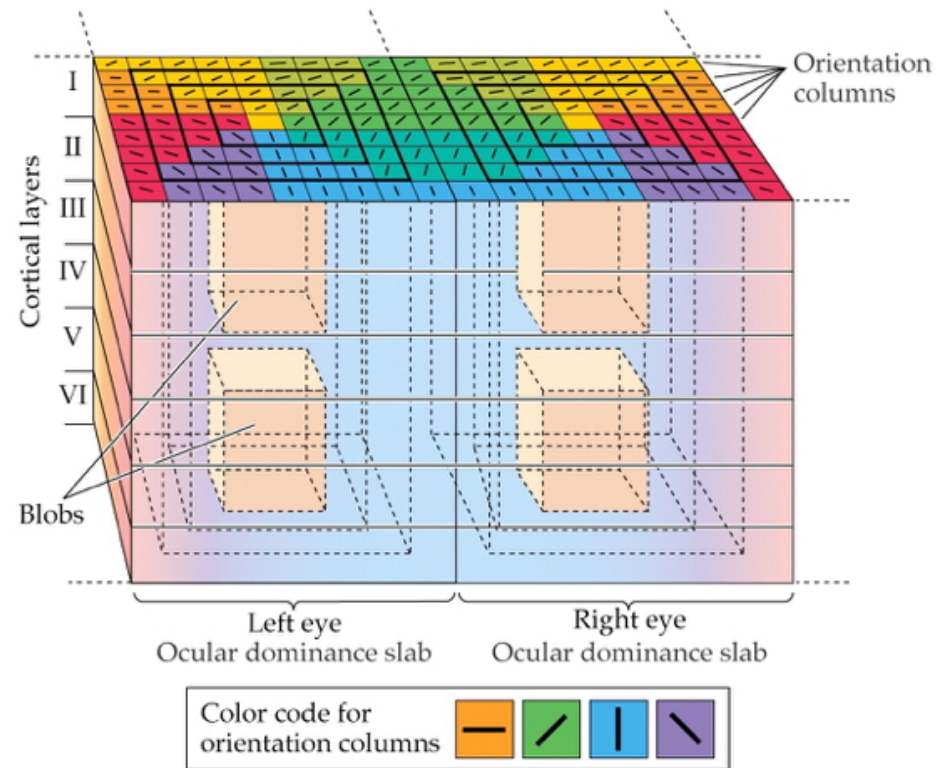
(Panichello, Cheung, and Bar 2013)



# V1 has laminar, columnar organization

- Columns
  - Color/wavelength
  - Eye of origin, *ocular dominance*

# Ocular dominance columns



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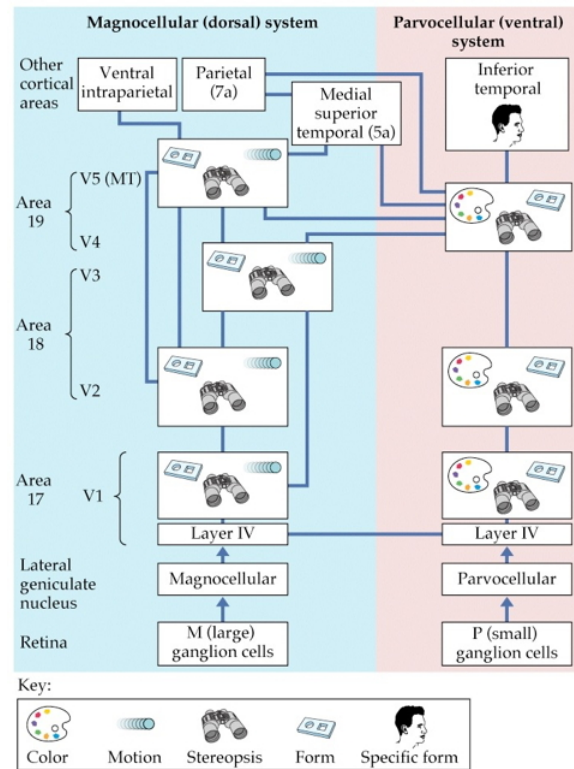
# Ocular dominance signals retinal disparity

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 3D Snippet (yt3d:enable=true)



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# Beyond V1



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# Beyond V1

- Larger, more complex receptive fields
- *Dorsal stream* (where/how)
  - Toward parietal lobe
- *Ventral stream* (what)

# What is vision for?

- What is it? (form perception)
- Where is it? (space perception)
- How do I get from here to there (action control)
- What time (or time of year) is it?

# The Real Reason for Brains

Daniel Wolpert  
The real reason for brains

# The neuroscience of action

- What types of actions are there?
- How are they produced?
  - By the muscles
  - By the nervous system



# Remember

- Nervous system "output" includes
  - Movements
  - Autonomic responses
  - Endocrine responses

# Types of actions

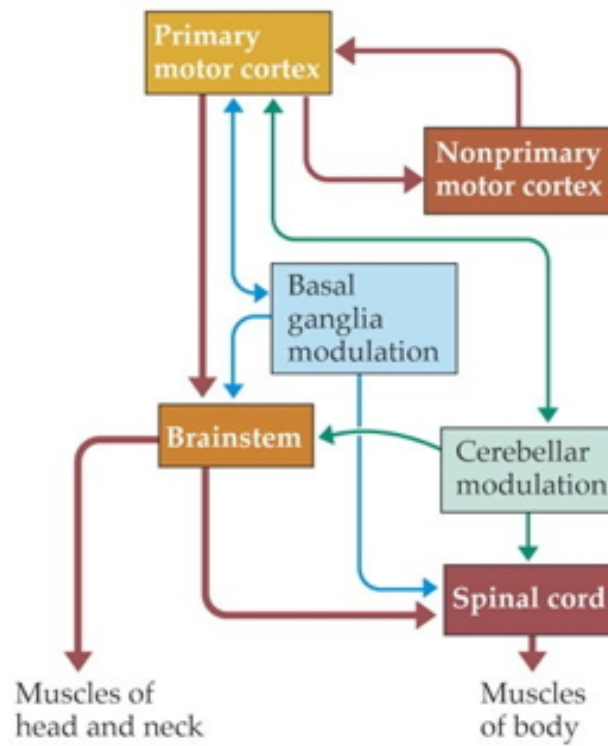


<http://www.kidport.com/reflib/science/humanbody/muscularsys>

# Types of actions

- Reflexes
  - Simple, highly stereotyped, unlearned, rapid
- vs. Planned or voluntary actions
  - Complex, flexible, acquired, slower
- Discrete (reaching) vs. rhythmic (walking)
- Ballistic (no feedback) vs. controlled (feedback)

# Multiple, parallel controllers



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# Key "nodes" in network

- Primary motor cortex (M1)
- Non-primary motor cortex
- Basal ganglia
- Brain stem
- Cerebellum
- Spinal cord

# Muscle classes

- Axial
  - Trunk, neck, hips
- Proximal
  - Shoulder/elbow, pelvis/knee
- Distal
  - Hands/fingers, feet/toes

# Muscles

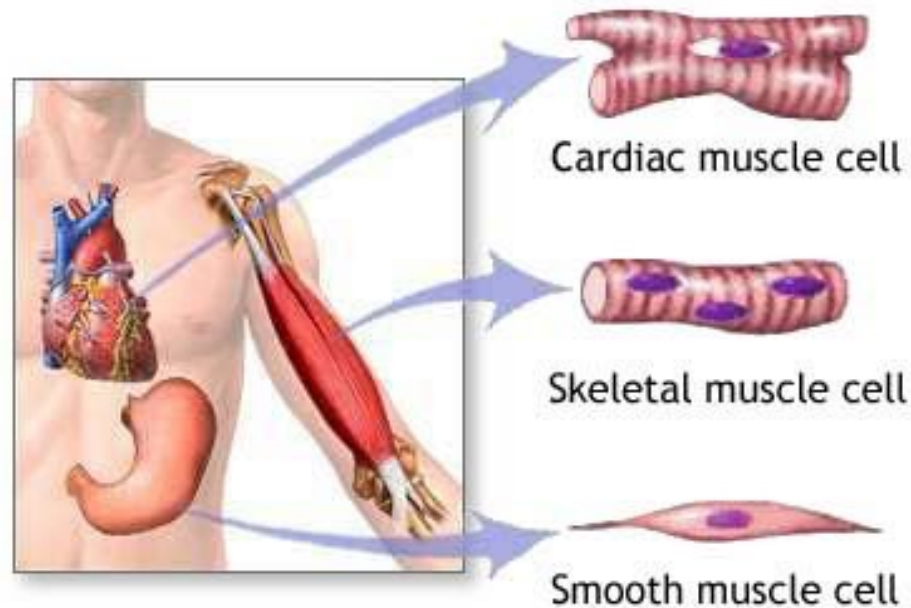
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# Muscle types

- Smooth
  - Arteries, hair follicles, uterus, intestines
  - Regulated by ANS (involuntary)
- Striated (striped)
  - Skeletal
  - Voluntary control, mostly connected to tendons and bones
- Cardiac



# Muscle types



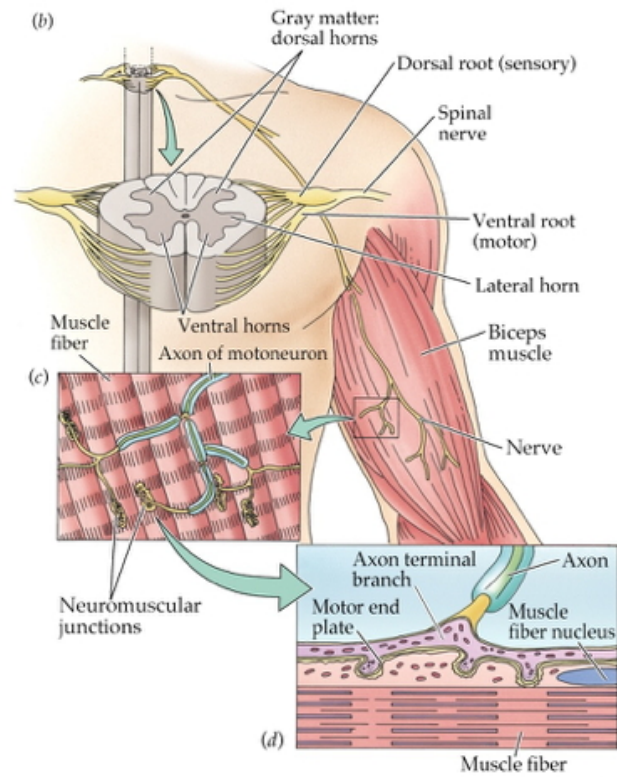
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# How skeletal muscles contract

- Motoneuron (ventral horn of spinal cord)
- Neuromuscular junction
  - Releases ACh

# From spinal cord to muscle

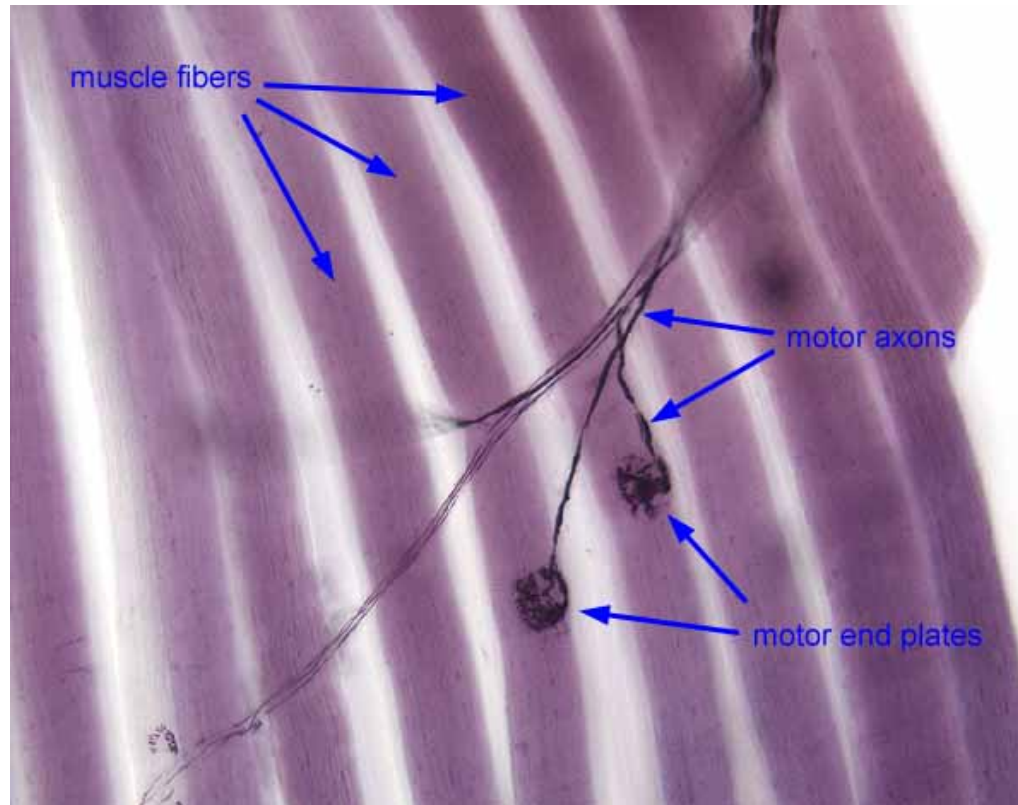


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# How skeletal muscles contract

- Motor endplate
  - Nicotinic ACh receptor
- Excitatory endplate potential
  - Muscle fibers depolarize
  - Depolarization spreads along fibers like an action potential
  - Sarcomeres are segments of fibers
  - Intramuscular stores release  $\text{Ca}^{++}$

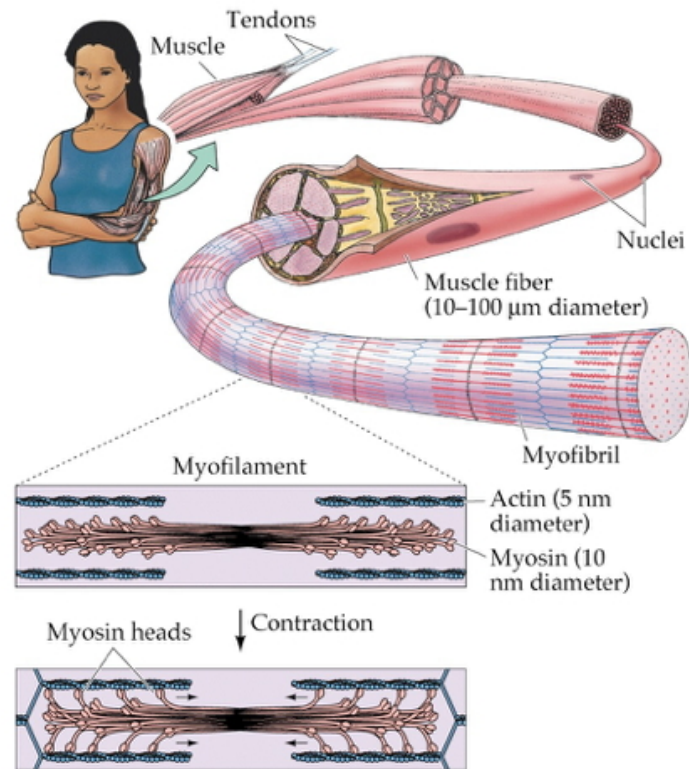
# Motor endplate



# How skeletal muscles contract

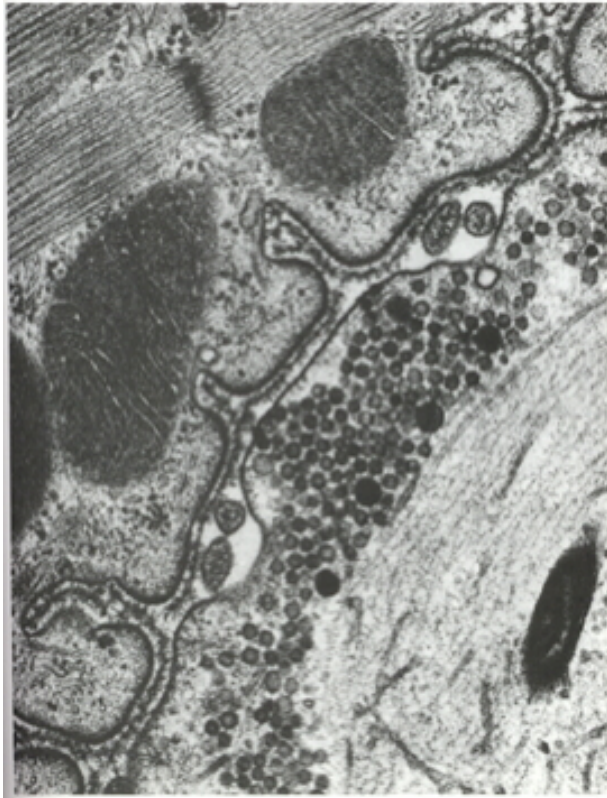
- Myofibrils (w/in sarcomere)
  - Actin & myosin proteins
  - “Molecular gears”
- Bind, move, unbind in presence of  $\text{Ca}^{++}$ , ATP

# Anatomy of muscle fibers



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# Anatomy of motor endplate



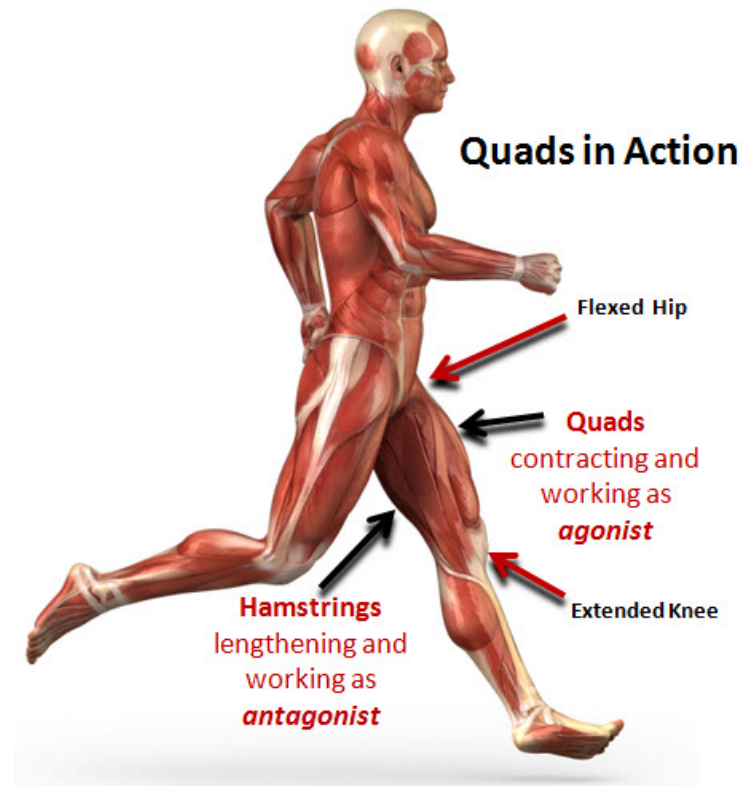


# Muscle contraction

Muscle Contraction Process Molecular Mechanism 3D Animation



# Agonist/antagonist muscle pairs



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# Meat preference?



# Muscle fiber types

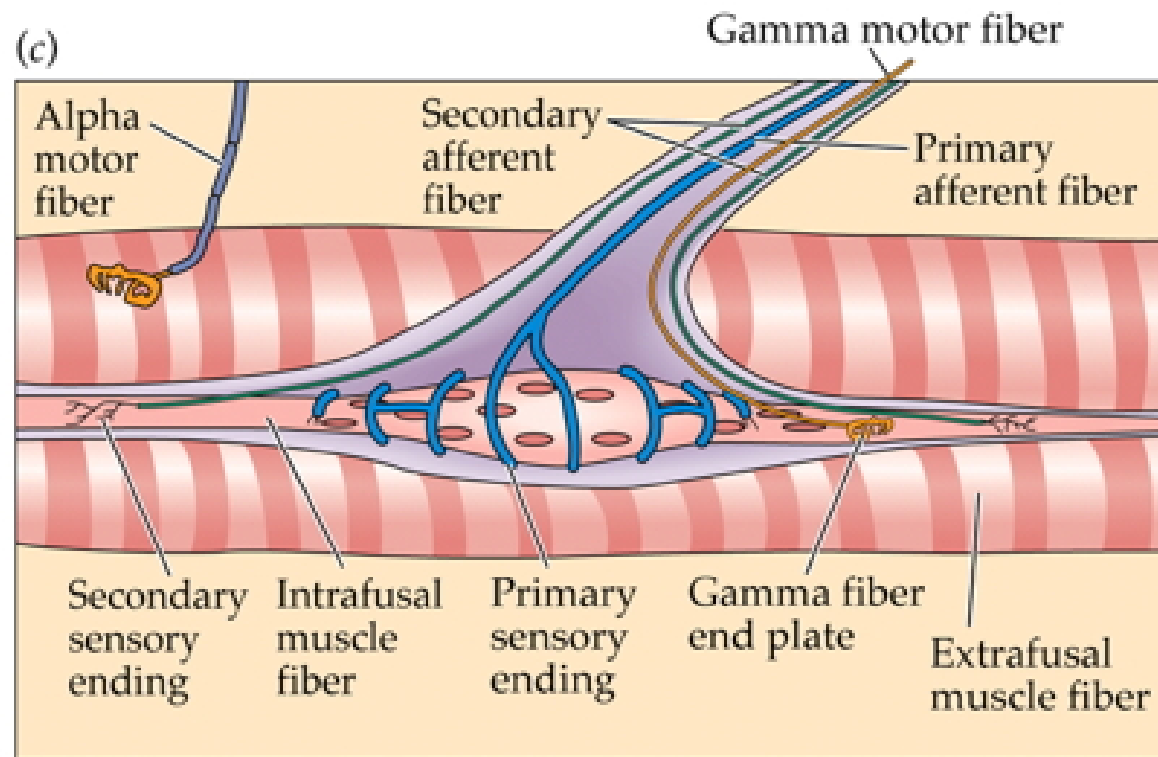
- Fast twitch/fatiguing
  - Type II
  - White meat
- Slow twitch/fatiguing
  - Type I
  - Red meat

# Muscles are sensory organs, too!



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# Two muscle fiber types



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# Two muscle fiber types

- Intrafusal fibers
  - Sense length/tension
  - Contain muscle spindles linked to Ia afferents
  - enervated by gamma ( $\gamma$ ) motor neurons
- Extrafusal fibers
  - Generate force
  - enervated by alpha ( $\alpha$ ) motor neurons

# Next time...

- More on action



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