

# Real Time Implementation Of AI In BCI Application

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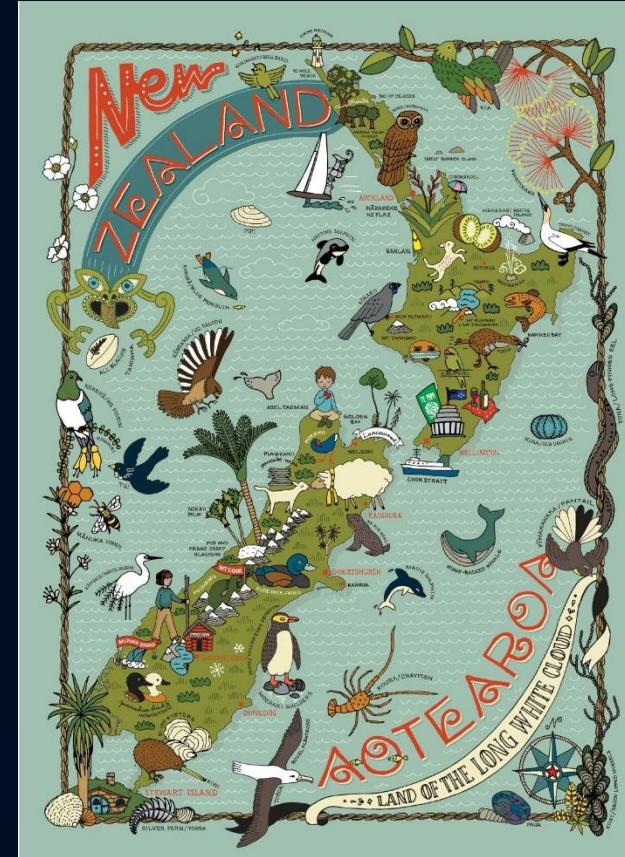
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# New Zealand

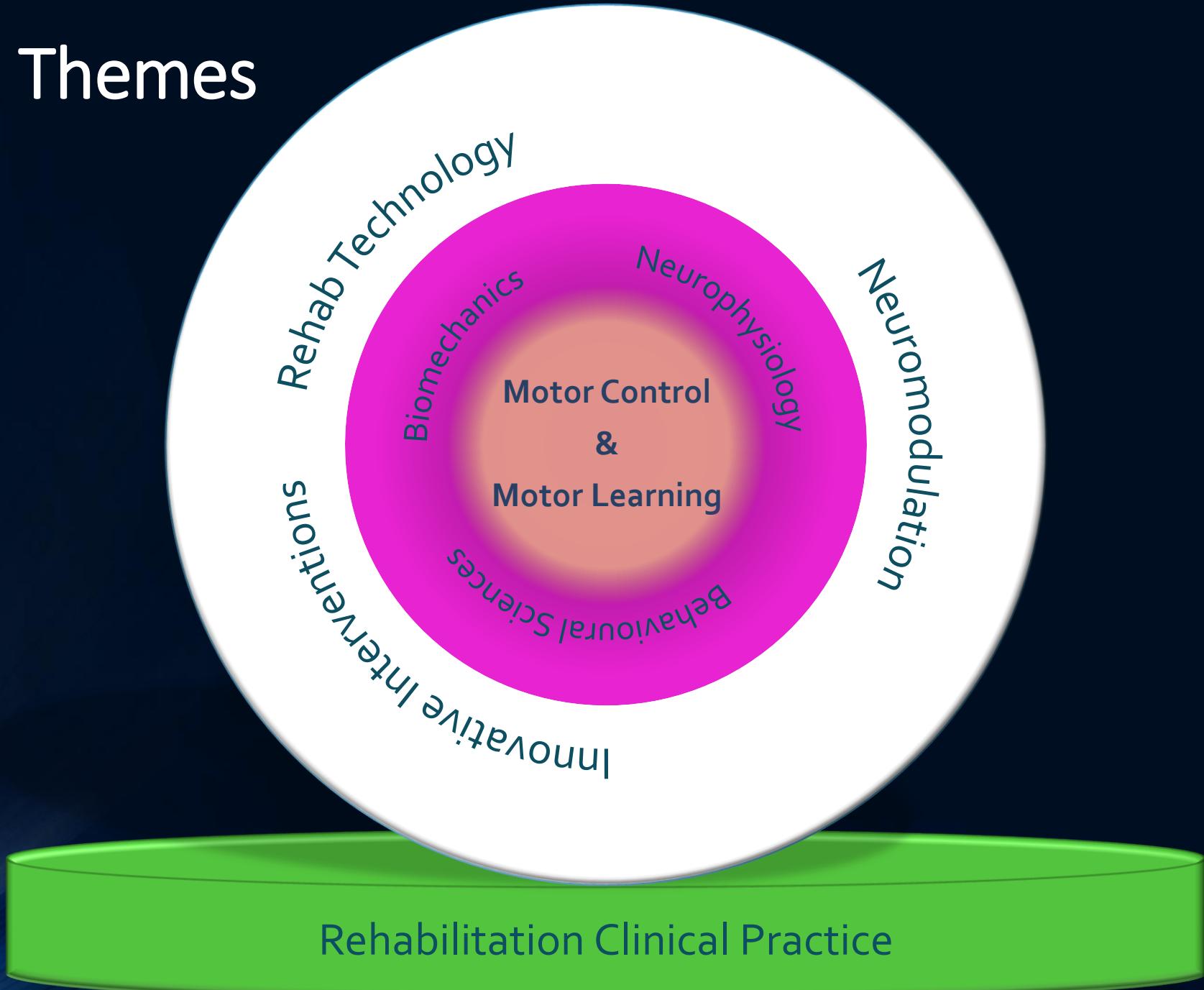


# New Zealand College of Chiropractic

- Centre for Chiropractic Research
- 17 full-time research-only staff
  - Bioengineers
  - Electronic Engineers
  - Embedded system
  - Control system
  - Software engineers
  - Data scientists
  - Chiropractors
  - Physiotherapists
- 5 part-time
- 10 PhDs



# Research Themes



# Coming up...

- Stroke
- Problem in Stroke rehab
- Brain Computer interface(BCI) intervention for Rehab
- BCI Studies
- Development of a wearable BCI for stroke rehab
- Summary and questions



# Stroke is life changing



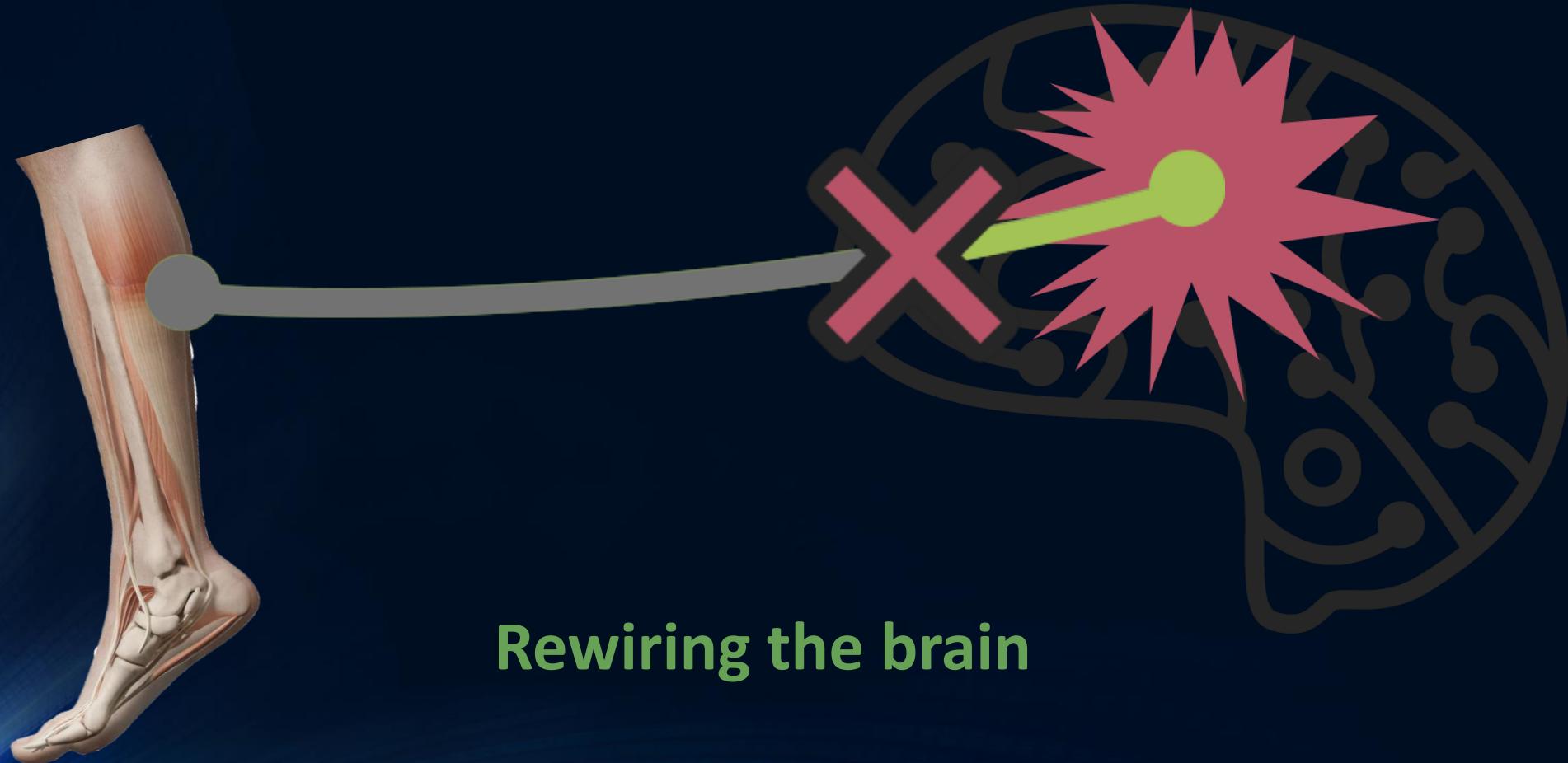


# 40,000 strokes a day...





# What happens with a stroke



# How many repetitions are needed ?

- Animal evidence in the UL to improve hand and fine motor control – 400-600 repetitions per session
- In animals, changes in primary motor cortex synaptic density occur after 400 (but not 60) reaches (Remple et al, 2001)
- Animal evidence in the LL to improve gait – 1000+ repetitions per session



# Evidence for more rehab

Is there evidence to support ‘increased dose’ - time on task?

- ‘Increased dose’ studies have high variability in design
  - extra = 2 hrs/week to 3 hrs/day
  - some initiated early, some late

Strong evidence for ...  
• higher dose of practice  
• high intensity repetitive task-oriented practice

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## What Is the Evidence for Physical Therapy Poststroke? A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

Janne Marieke Veerbeek<sup>1</sup>, Erwin van Wegen<sup>1</sup>, Roland van Peppen<sup>2</sup>, Philip Jan van der Wees<sup>3</sup>, Erik Hendriks<sup>4</sup>, Marc Rietberg<sup>1</sup>, Gert Kwakkel<sup>1,5\*</sup>

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# Doing more rehab

300hrs of UL therapy  
for 5 weeks

= 8-11 point improvement on  
UL-FM



Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

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Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation 2015;96:981-90



ORIGINAL RESEARCH

## Comparison of Robotics, Functional Electrical Stimulation, and Motor Learning Methods for Treatment of Persistent Upper Extremity Dysfunction After Stroke: A Randomized Controlled Trial



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# In stroke... what is the story in reality?

- Recovery poor
- Amount of received rehab low
- Amount of practice for Motor Learning
- Does more rehab/practice result in better outcomes?

# McNaughton article - specific to NZ

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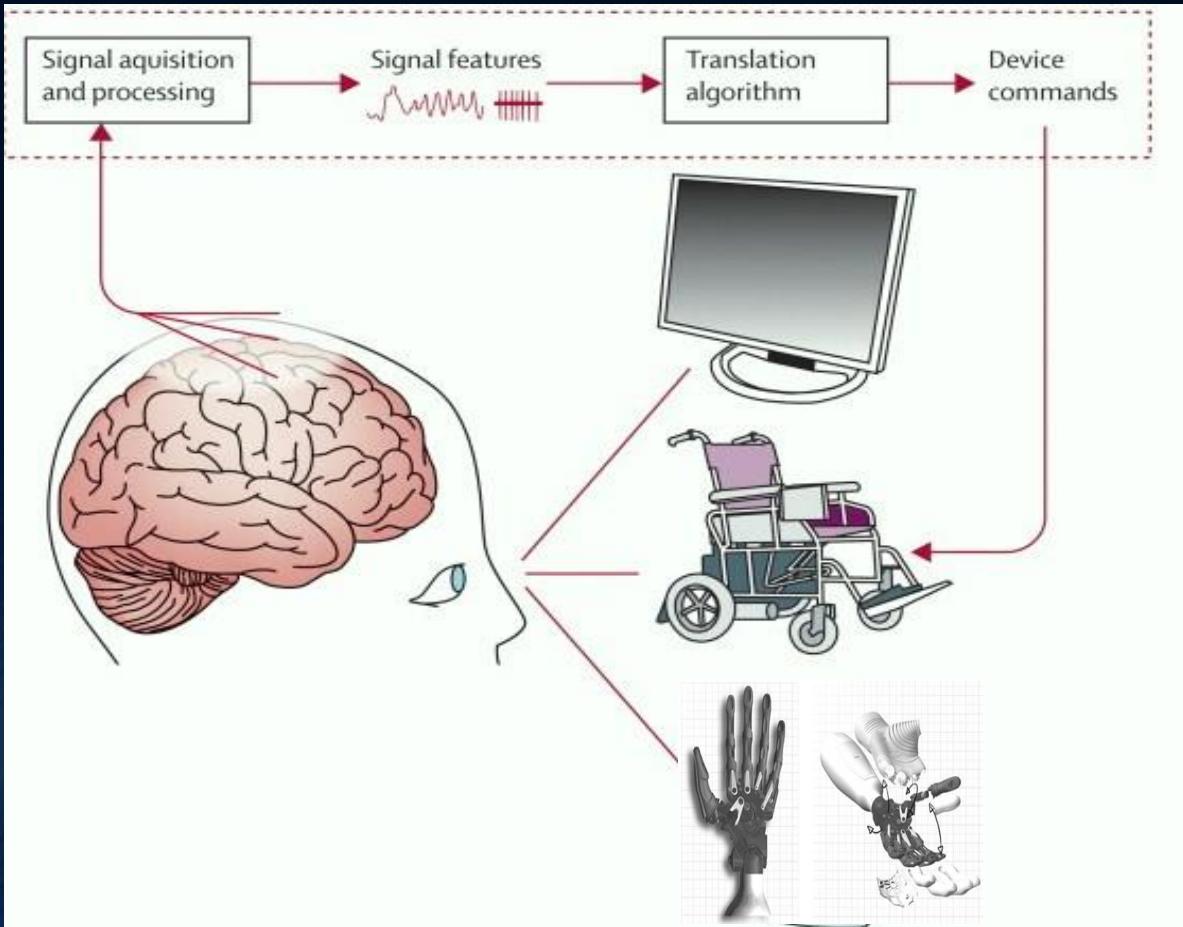
# Amount of time in UL rehab

- Acute setting within 4 weeks post stroke
- Observational studies
- Receiving Physiotherapy and/or Occupational Therapy;
- Amount of therapy time devoted to UL interventions.
- From the 94 studies reviewed, seven studies involving 3236 participants met the inclusion criteria

Systematic review (Serrada et al 2016)

7.9 min/day of a total 36.7 min/day  
combined PT and OT session

# Brain Computer Interface (BCI)



[\* adapted from Daly & Wolpaw, 2008]

## Application:

- Communication
- Gaming
- Rehabilitation

## Signal Acquisition:

- Invasive (ECoG, etc.)
- Non-invasive (EEG)

## Modes:

- Synchronous/cued
- Asynchronous/self-paced

## Brain Signals:

- ERD/ERS, P300
- CNV/MRCP
- SSVEP

# BCI in Rehabilitation

## Assistive BCI

- control of external device



## Restorative BCI

- robotic orthosis

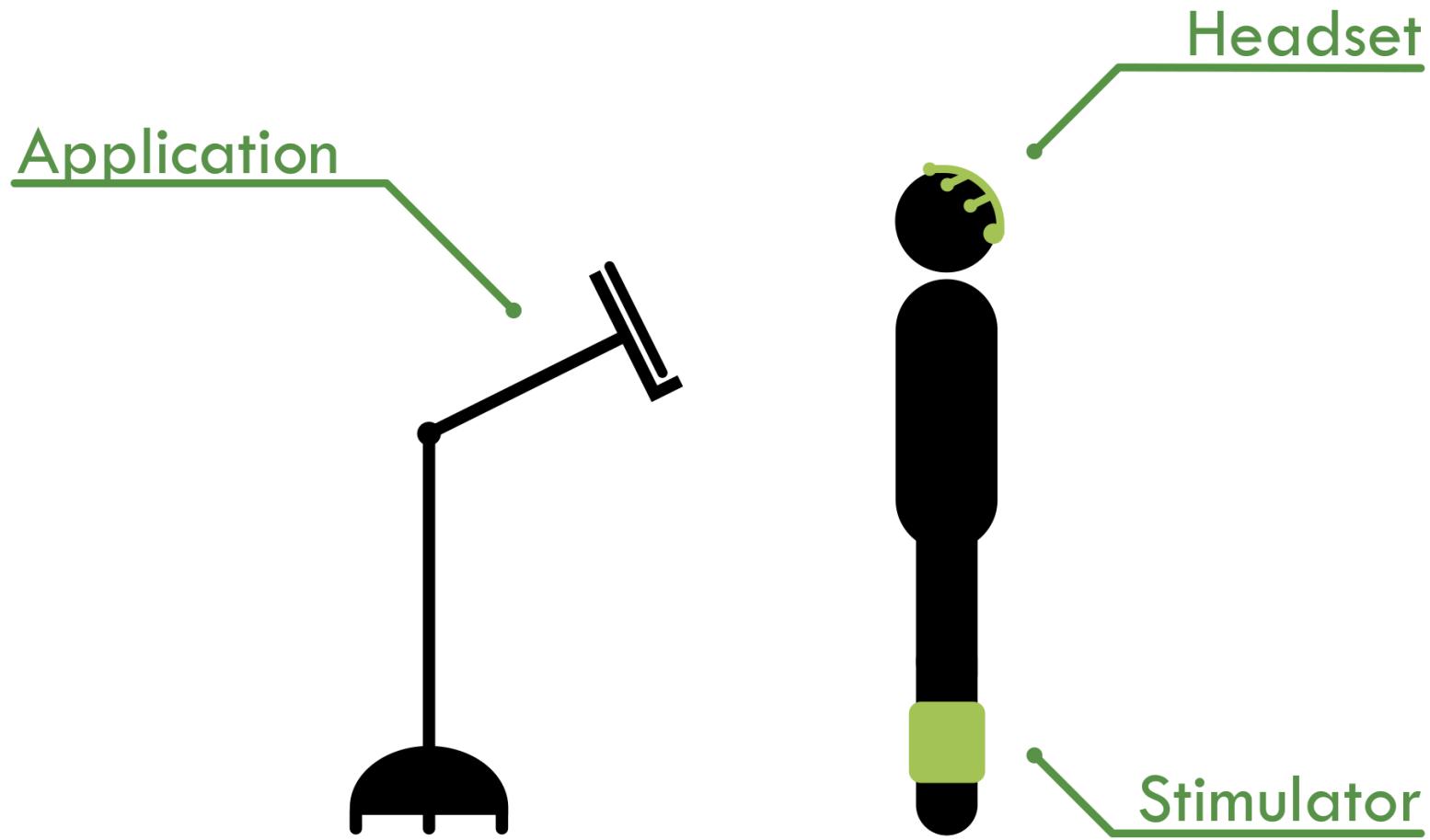


# BCI in Rehabilitation

- Rehabilitation and plasticity go hand in hand
- One of the possible mechanism based on Hebbian plasticity:
  - Coincident activation of pre-synaptic and post-synaptic neurons reinforces synaptic strength, resulting in increased and more reliable communication between the activated neurons.
  - Different Methods to induce plasticity artificially e.g. Transcranial Direct current stimulation (tDCS) , Paired Associative Stimulation (PAS)



# Introducing... exciteBCI





# First paper back in 2012

- The results presented prove the possibility of using neurofeedback systems, based on BCI concepts, for efficient and targeted induction of plastic changes in the motor cortex in stroke therapy.

Published in Journal of Neurophysiology:





# Scientific validation

Med Biol Eng Comput (2013) 51:507–512  
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Detecting and classifying movement-related cortical potentials associated with hand movements in patients during trial EEG

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Paired Associative Stimulation Delivered by Pairing Movement-Related Cortical Potentials With Peripheral Electrical Stimulation: An Investigation of the Duration of Neuromodulatory Effects

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## **Comparison of spatial filters and features for the detection and classification of movement-related cortical potentials in healthy individuals and stroke patients**

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Spatial filter comparison in healthy and stroke patients

# Feature Comparison between stroke and Healthy subjects

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# EMD-Based Temporal and Spectral Features for the Classification of EEG Signals Using Supervised Learning

Farhan Riaz, Ali Hassan, Saad Rehman, Imran Khan Niazi, and Kim Dremstrup

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## A Review of Techniques for Detection of Movement Intention Using Movement-Related Cortical Potentials

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# Real time detection and Classification system with out feedback



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## Online multi-class brain-computer interface for detection and classification of lower limb movement intentions and kinetics for stroke rehabilitation

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 Check for updates

# Current BCI system

Computer



Expert

EEG CAP

Amplifier

Stimulator

# RIC's version of BCI's



# Requirements for restorative BCI's in stroke

- Assistance that is flexible and related to the amount needed 'now'
- Facilitate enough practice and repetition
- Linked to meaningful tasks
- Fit with the philosophy of rehabilitation
- Fit with patients
- Fit with clinicians
- Be possible within our health systems (now and imminent future)

# The Lab Set Up



- Miniaturised
- Cheaper
- Usable
- Adapt for home use
- Fit with rehabilitation

# Rehabilitation... the status quo

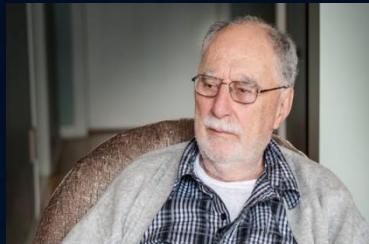
**What's my current situation?**



I receive limited rehabilitation



I have no control



I have become sedentary and dependent  
on other people

**What I want**



I want more therapy to help me



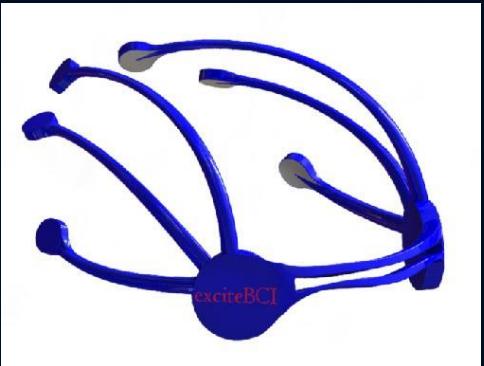
I want control



I want to do the things I used to do

# A simple solution for faster recovery

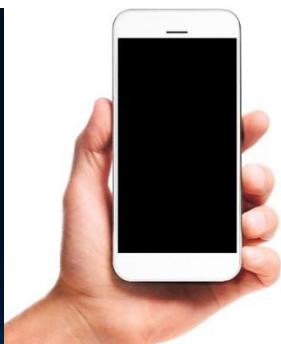
1. Put on a wireless head-set



2. Strap a wireless muscle stimulator over the selected muscle



3. Use a smart phone to select exercise mode or specified activity



# Consultation Vs Team work

Some of the reasons why an understanding of patients, the process of rehabilitation and motor control are important...

# Nortek Labs (Startup): Current Version Hardware and App

## WiBCI-16T SPECIFICATIONS

### Channel Specification

- Channels: 16 Analog
- Ground: Active
- Reference: Selectable  
(Multiple channels can be referenced)
- Sample rate: 250Hz
- Resolution: 24 bit
- Noise: less than 1.3uV
- CMMR: -110dB
- Bandwidth: 0~65Hz
- Gain: 24
- Channels type: Referential
- Antialiasing Protection: Yes
- I/P range: (-185mV) to (+185mV)
- Impedance measurement: Yes

### Android API

- Capable of realtime data acquisition recording and processing with Wi-Fi



### Communication

- Wireless Wi-Fi (10 meters)

### Battery Powered

- Chargeable via USB type B
- Continuous data recording time : (5 Hrs at full charge)

### Connector

- IDC header 2.54 mm 20 pin (Customized cap support available)
- DIN 42802 connectors (EEG, ECG, standard cap support available)
- Isolated external trigger input connector. (supports TTL logic)

### Form Factor

- Table mount version
- Size : 03" X 06" X 1.5"
- Weight : 100 grams (with battery)



# Journey



- Proof of Concept
- 6 peer reviewed articles



- Preliminary trials in people with stroke



- Product Development
  - Engineering, Product Design, Software



- Randomised Controlled Trial
  - Multi-site, International, Sub-group



- Regulatory approval

Norteklab

# Market –Requirement Gap in Research Labs

*Taking the matter into our own hands*

# Market –Requirement Gap in Research Labs

- Clinical grade equipment
- Proprietary Software
- Hard to Customise
- Ease of use



> US \$30,000

- Based on User Requirement
- Customisable Software
- Fixed mobile or desktop Hardware
- Stackable (multiple units)
- **You don't need to sell your Kidney**

# {Gap}

Range:US\$8,000-\$12,000

- Off the shelf amplifier
- Need an expert engineer
- For customization
- Economical



<US\$5,000



COST

# Norteklab

16, 24, 40, 72 Channels **EEG/EMG** Amplifier series

Complete Solution:

- Android and Window Apps
- Rich feature apps for EEG data
- Built-in Impedance Verification
- Easy Setup and Data Export

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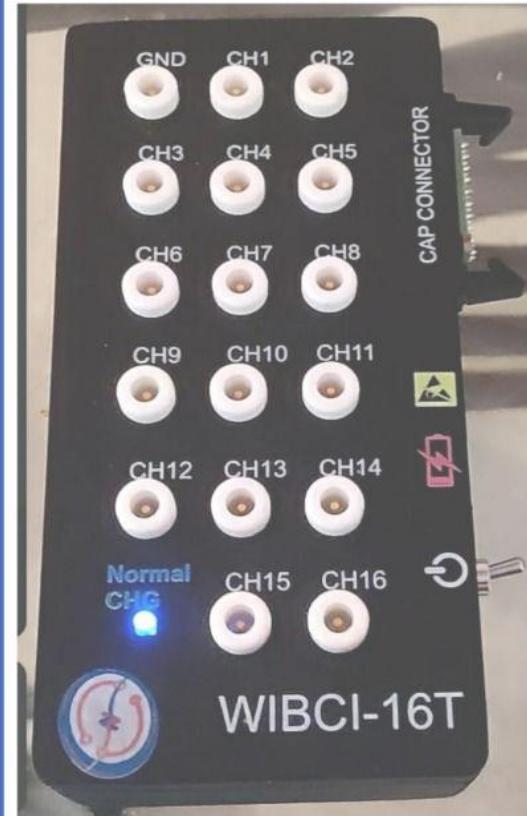
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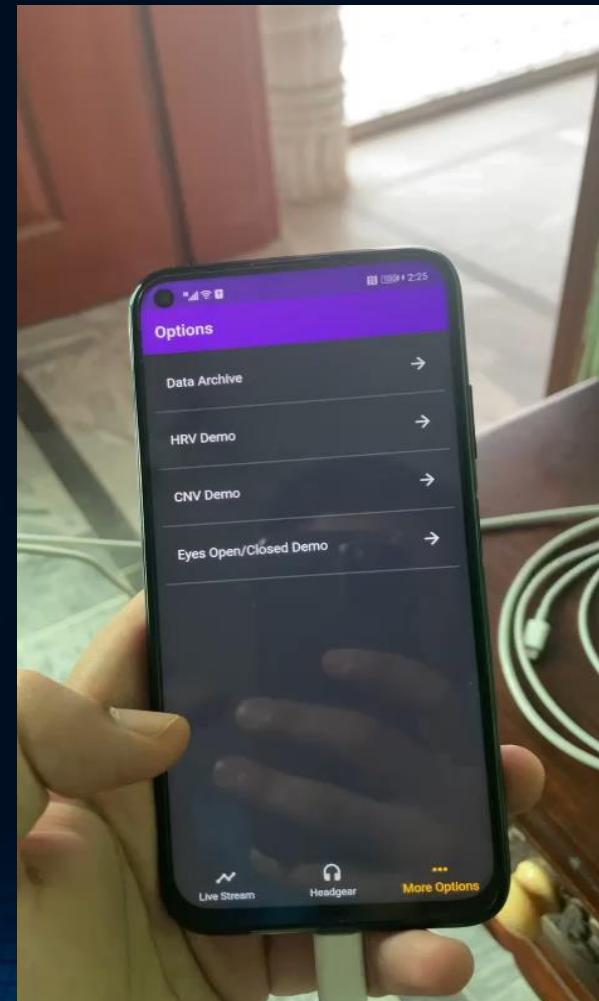
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## Edge Computing Features

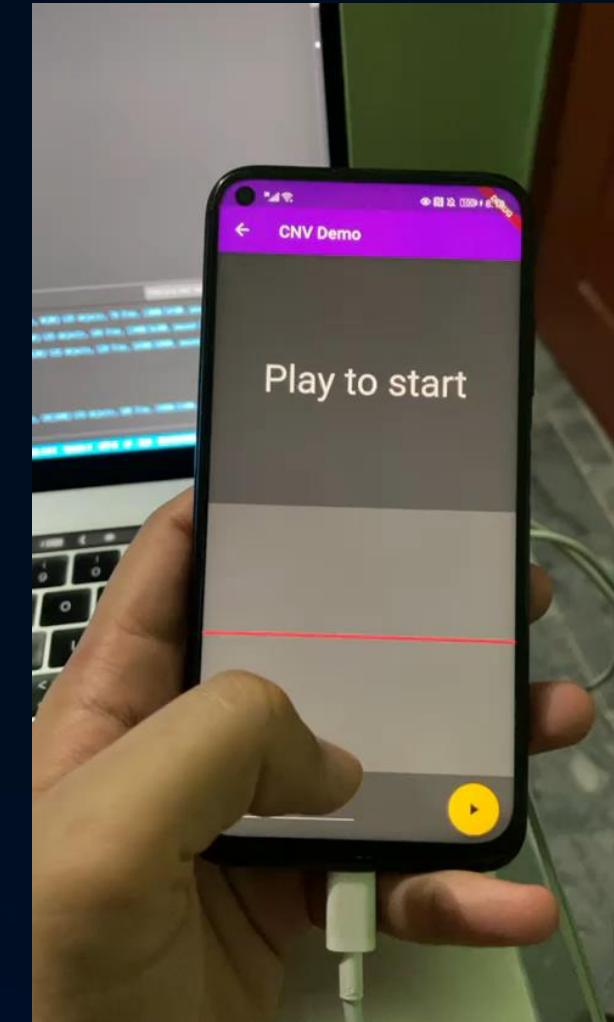
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Eyes open & Close



MRCP /CNV



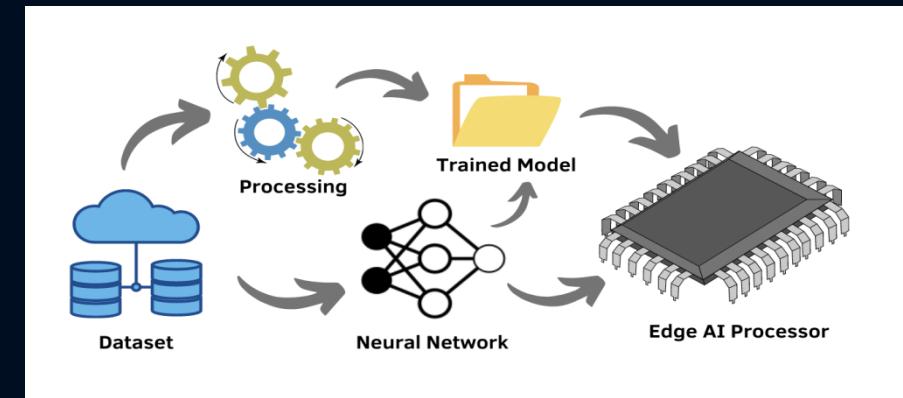
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## WiBCI Amplifiers Global Presence

- To validate the models created in bed side pain management system in a Pancreatic Quantitative Sensory Testing (P-QST) Consortium
  1. University of Aalborg, Denmark
  2. Johns Hopkins University & University of Pittsburgh, USA
  3. Auckland University of technology & New Zealand Chiropractic College, New Zealand
  4. National University of Science and technology & Riphah International University, Pakistan
  5. Delhi and Hyderabad Hospitals, India

## Technology Challenges

- Edge Computing (AI based)
- Task: Complex ML models to be implemented right into the Amplifier
- Challenge: Models are way too big to be fit into Embedded devices



# Collaborators



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