

# Tracking Depth of Anesthesia through Median Nerve Stimulation features

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# Monitors to avoid Accidental Awareness during General Anesthesia

**PROBLEM:** **Awareness still occurs** with current monitors [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] : indices were developed from adult cohorts [5], might be falsely increased with EMG activity [3, 4] and are less accurate with age [5]

**OUR SOLUTION:** Actively analyze EEG responses to **Median Nerve Stimulation** (MNS) [6]



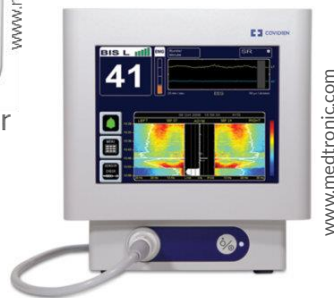
NeuroSENSE monitor



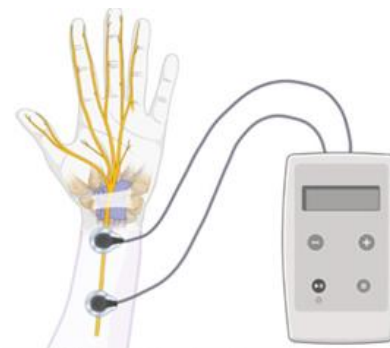
SedLine monitor



Narcotrend monitor



Bispectral Index monitor



Thomas Hendry, Neuromod, 2024

[1] Bruhn et al. Anesth, 2000.

[2] Myles et al. Lancet, 2004.

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[4] Aho et al. Acta Anaesthesiol Scan, 2012.

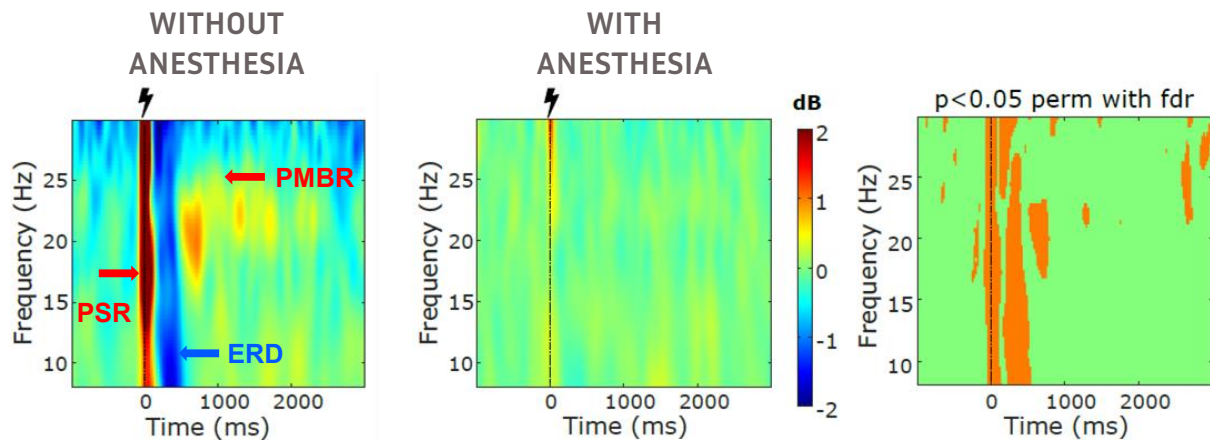
[5] Laferrière-Langlois et al. Anesth. Analg., 2024.

[6] Rimbart et al, Front. Neurosci, 2019.

# Median Nerve Stimulation-based BCI to monitor anesthesia

MNS induces sensorimotor modulations visible via EEG and variable with the depth of anesthesia [7].

**IDEA:** Follow this pattern through the anesthesia.



Grand average time frequency analysis across 8 subjects for electrode C4

PSR: Post-Stimulation Rebound  
ERD: Event Related Desynchronization  
PMBR: Post-Movement Beta Rebound

[7] Marissens Cueva et al. 9th Int.. Graz BCI Conf. 2024.

# Data collection: clinical protocol at CHU Brugmann

14 patients: 8 females;  $50 \pm 14.3$  years old [8]

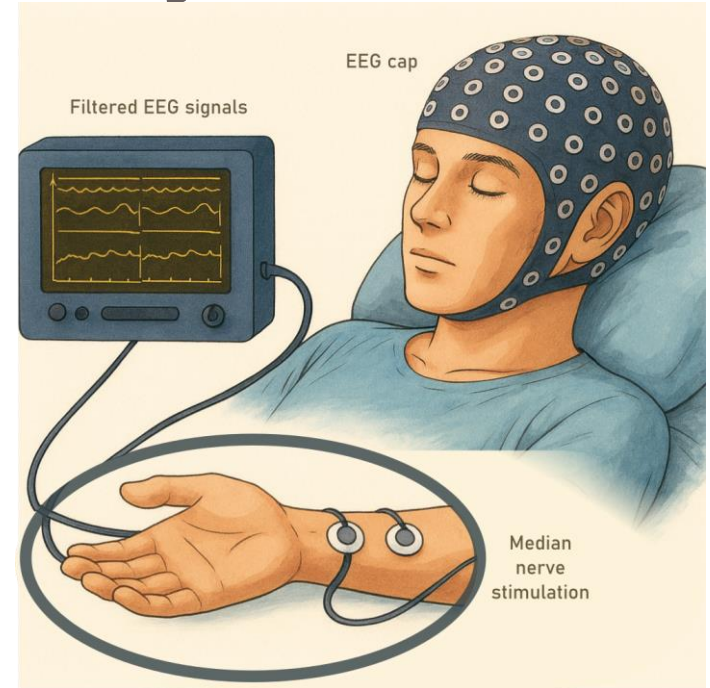


Figure inspired by Sigl and Chamoun, J Clin Monit, 1994

# EEG recording difficulties in a clinical environment

## Inclusion of subjects:

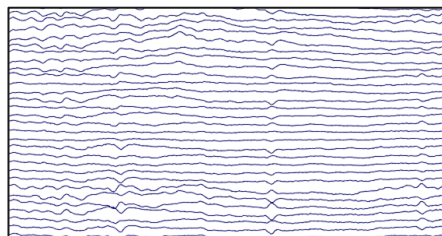


- consentment
- position during surgery
- unmaintained surgery
- dysfunctional equipment

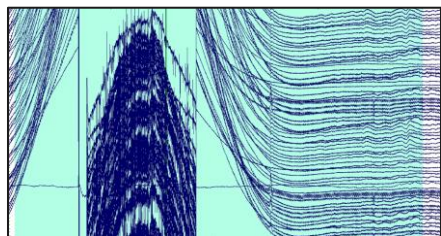


## Interferences:

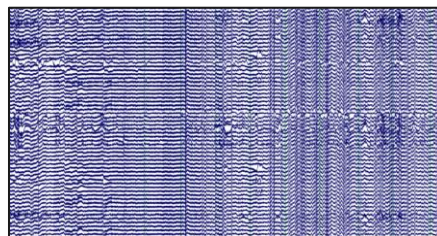
- hot air blankets [12]
- electrocautery [13]
- individual socket
- line noise (50 Hz or 60 Hz)
- movement



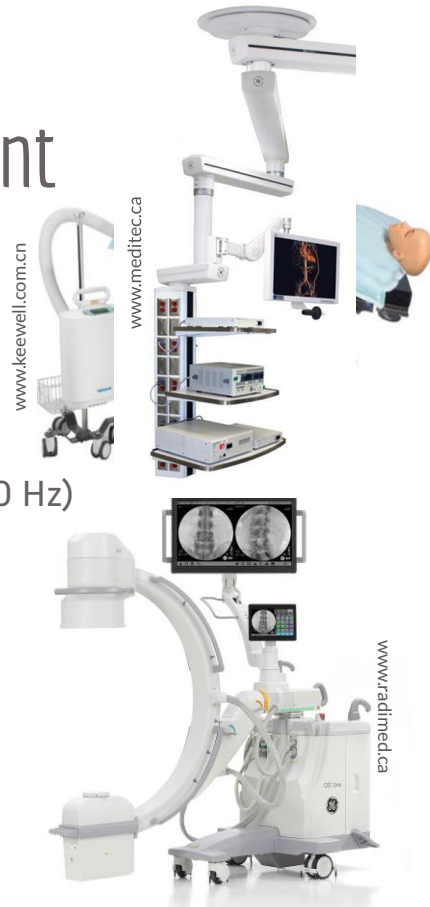
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ELECTROCAUTERY



LINE



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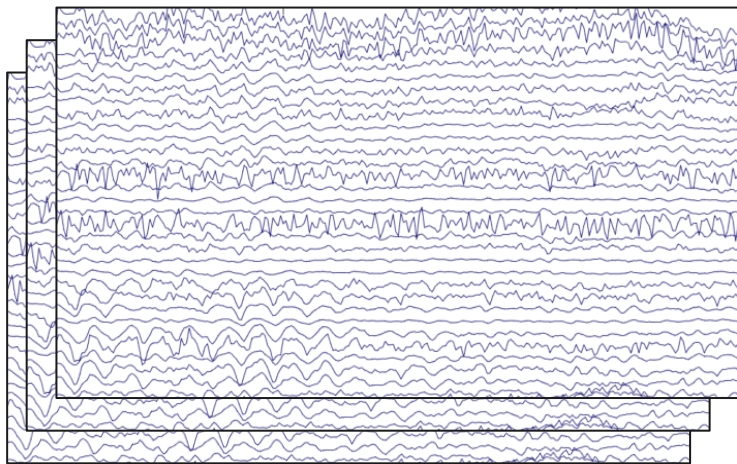


# Data collection: awake & anesthetized states

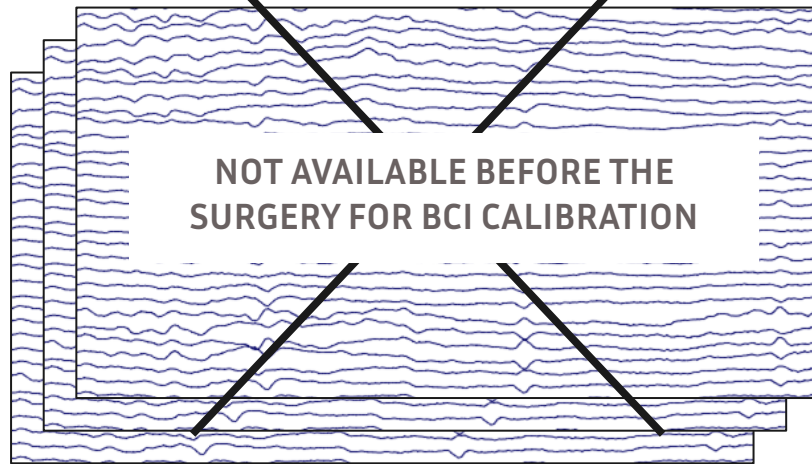
GOAL: Classify brain state as either **MNS-awake** or **MNS-anesthesia** using a BCI.



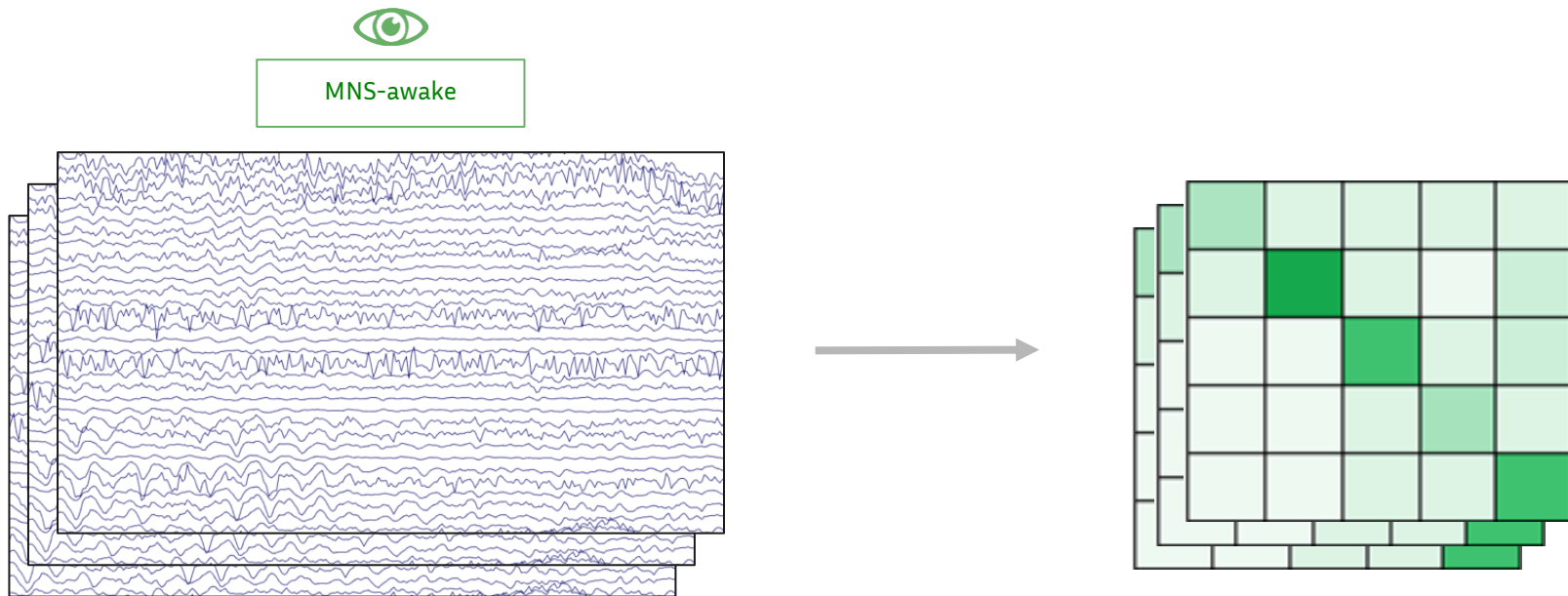
MNS-awake



MNS-anesthesia



# One-Class Riemannian Minimum Distance to the Mean (OCR-MDM)

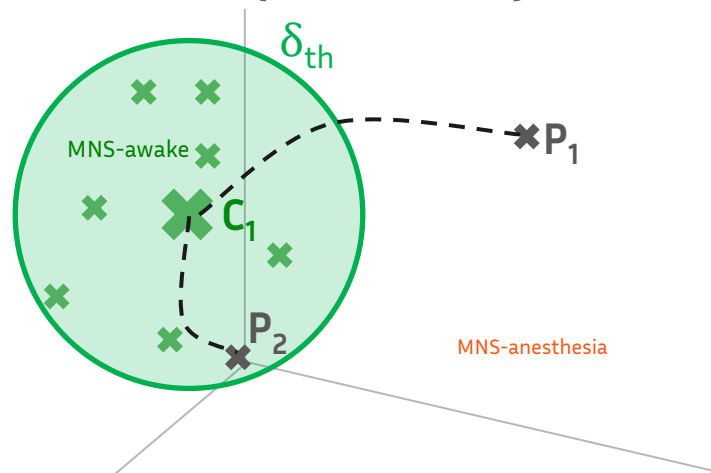
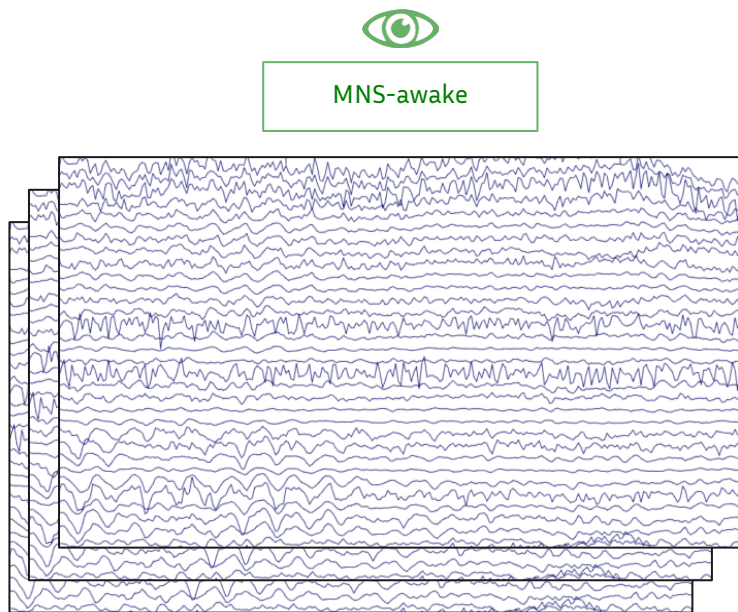


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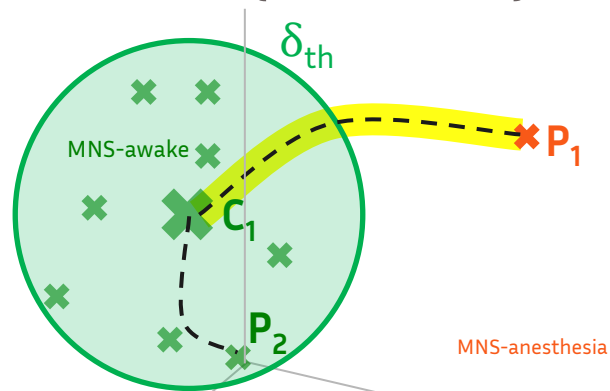
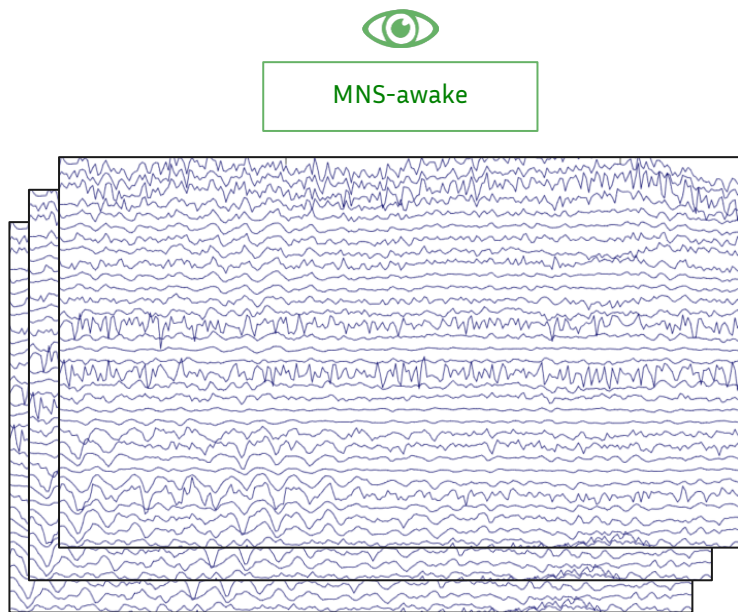
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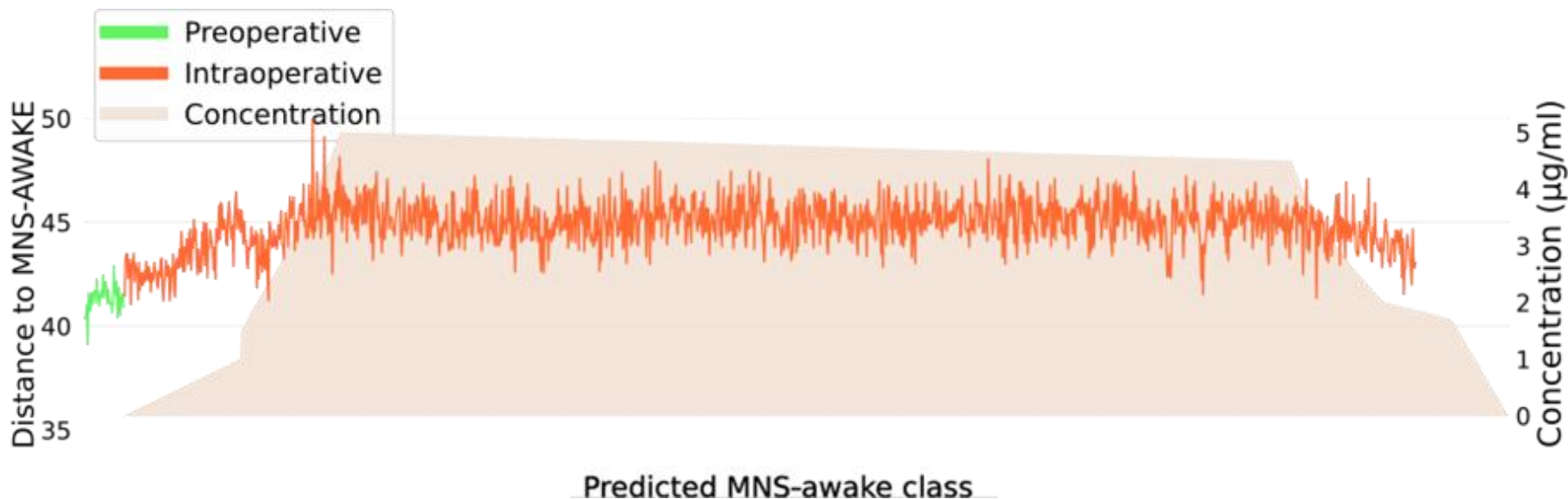
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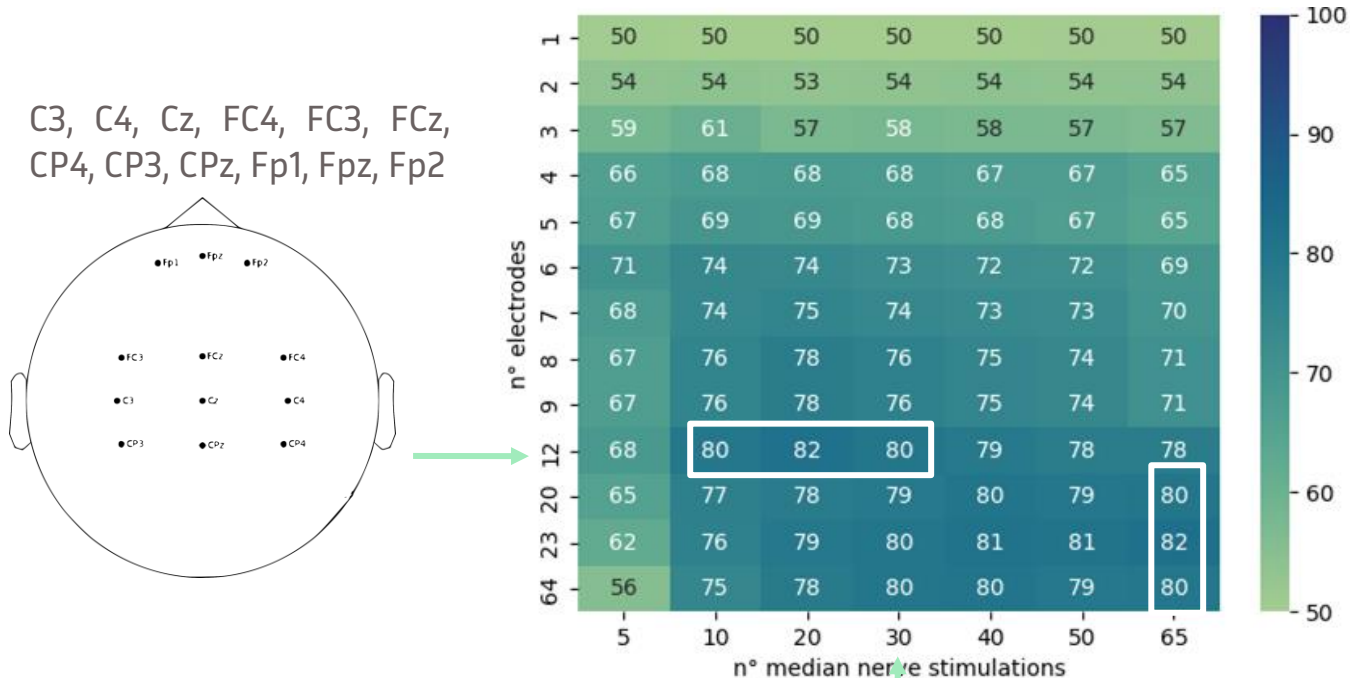
# Towards a quantitative anesthesia index

Distance to the **MNS-awake centroid** evolves gradually with the depth of anesthesia

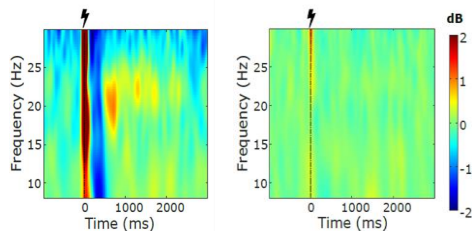


# OCR-MDM performance wrt montage and number of MNS

Test balanced accuracy in the **MNS-awake** vs **MNS-anesthesia** classification:



# Next steps: movement detection using MNS



Covariance  
Matrices



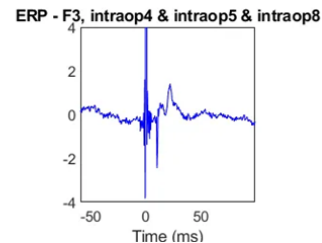
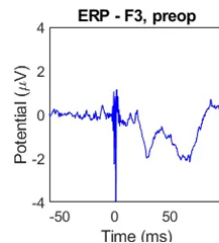
Riemannian fusion of EEG-based features for motor imagery detection under propofol sedation, *submitted*.



Connectivity  
Matrices

NEW EEG FEATURES

Spectral  
Entropy



Somatosensory  
Evoked  
Potentials

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