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Magnetic Resonance Imaging in Multiple Sclerosis



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Measuring GM damage in MS: the technicalities

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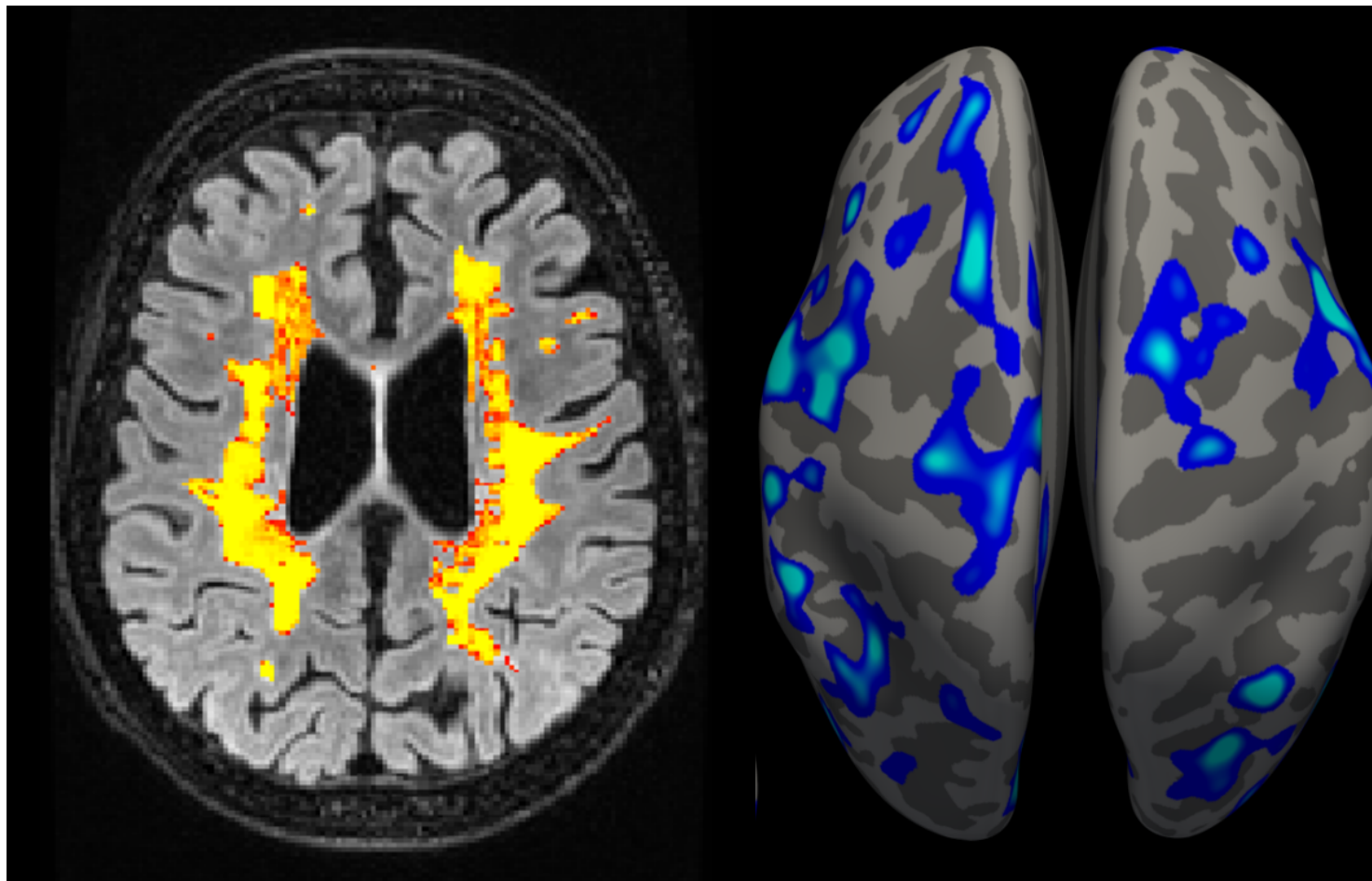
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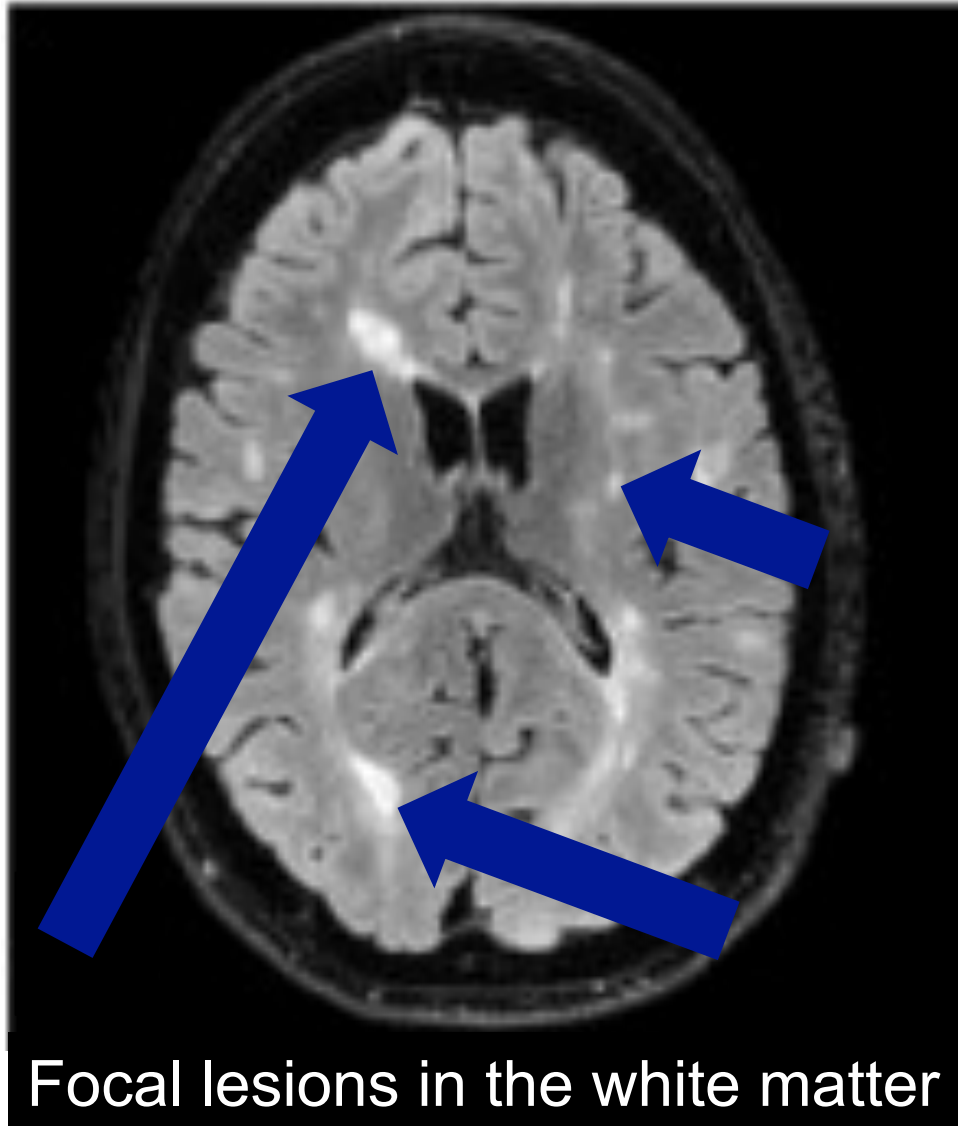
- Measuring GM atrophy in MS
- Visualizing focal lesions in MS GM
- Probing diffuse damage in MS GM

MEASURING GM ATROPHY IN MS

Multiple sclerosis



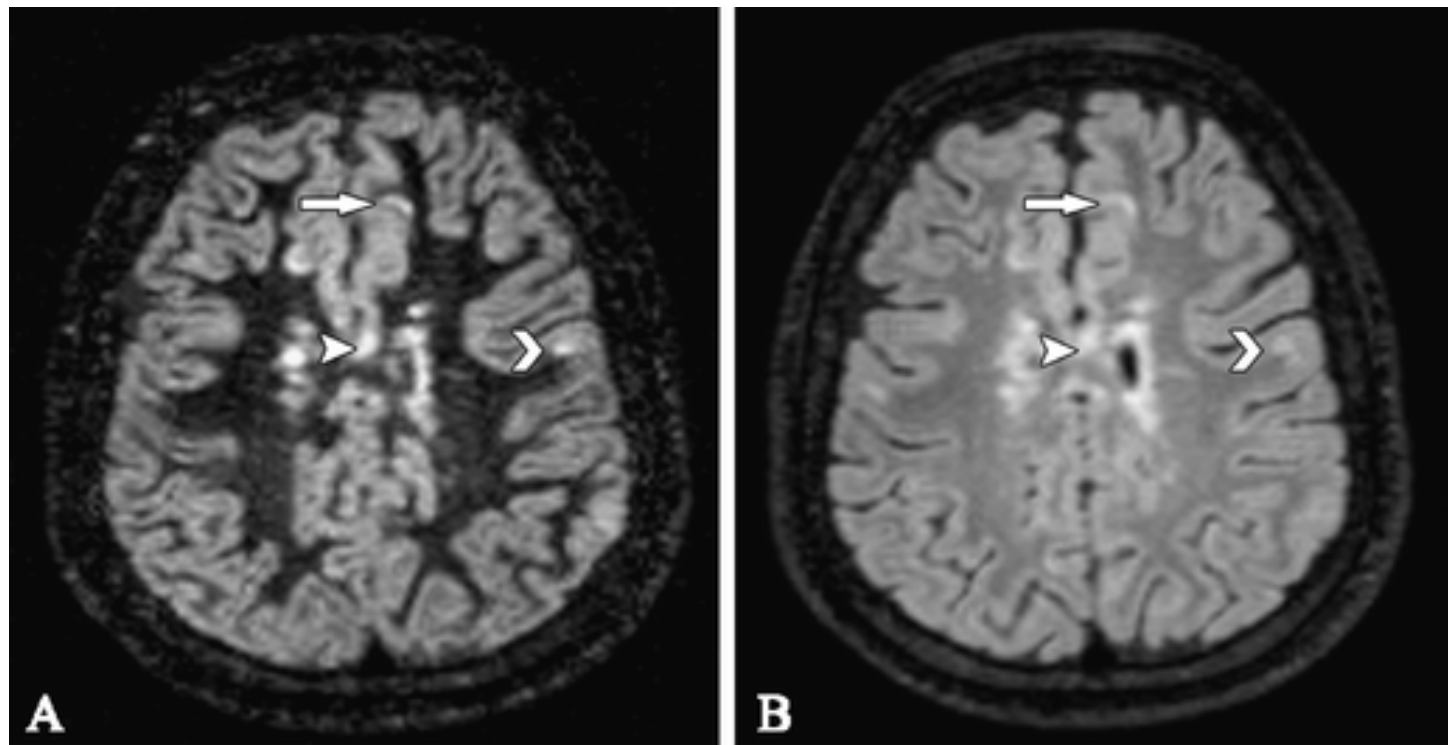
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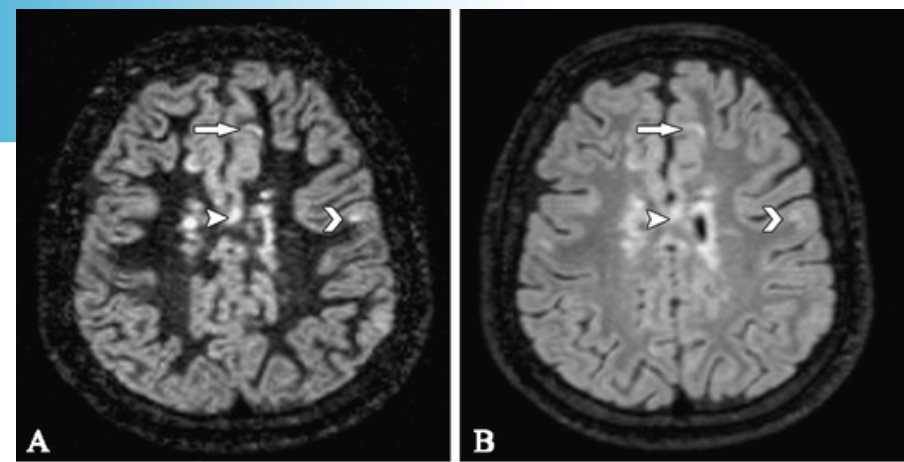
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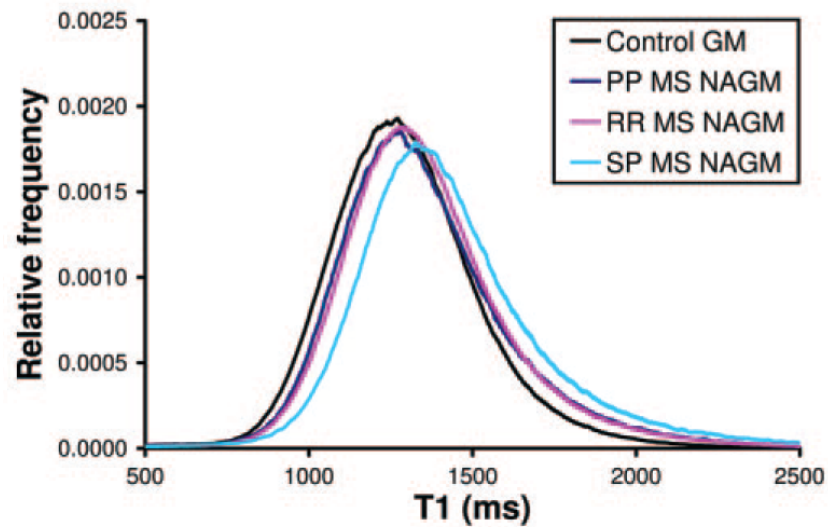


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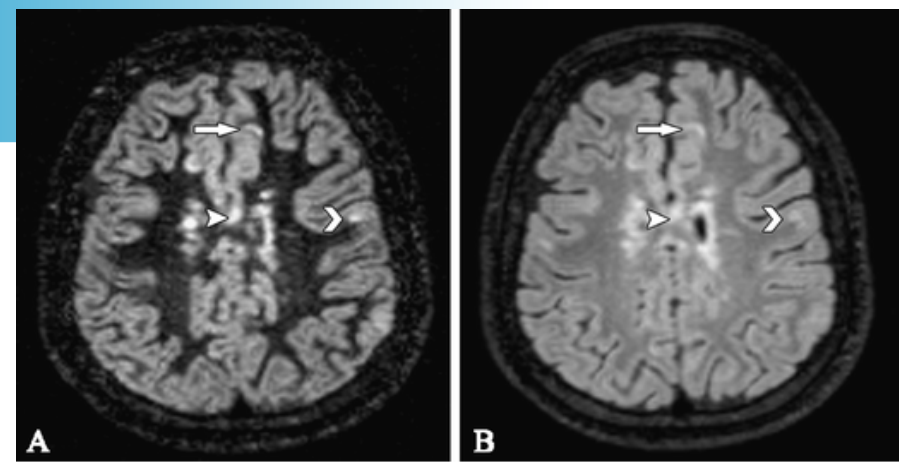
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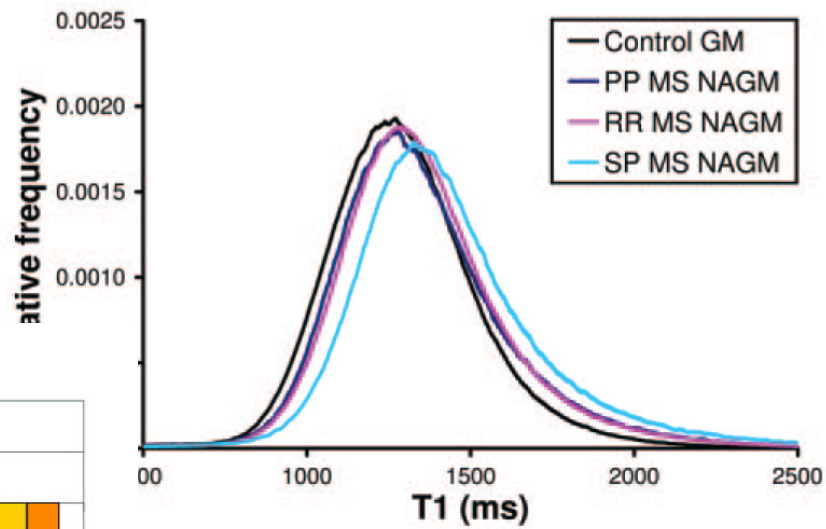
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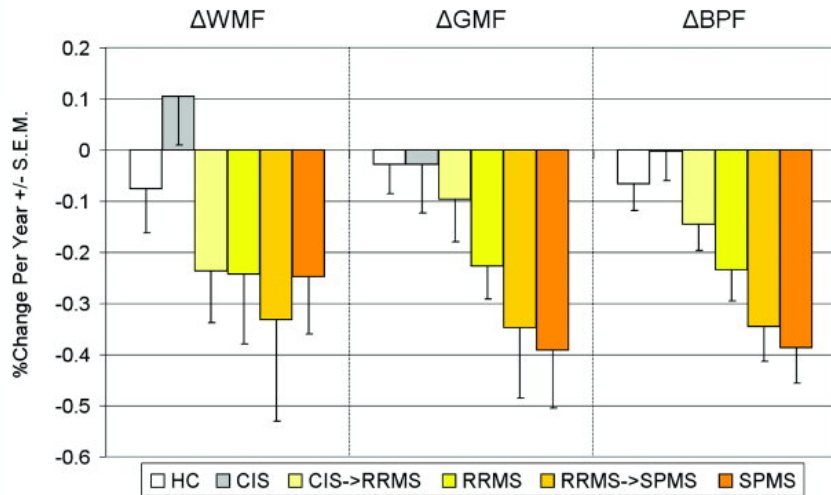
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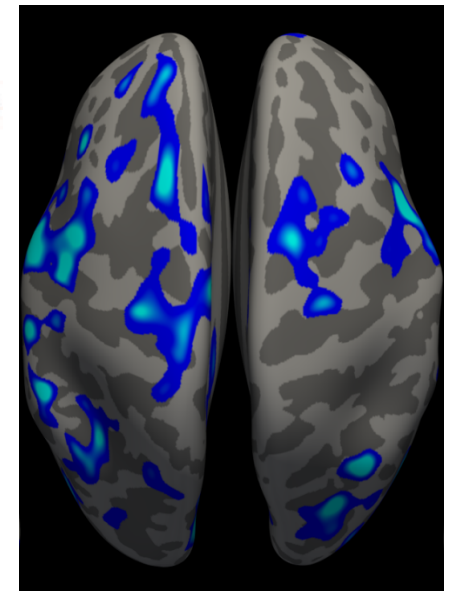
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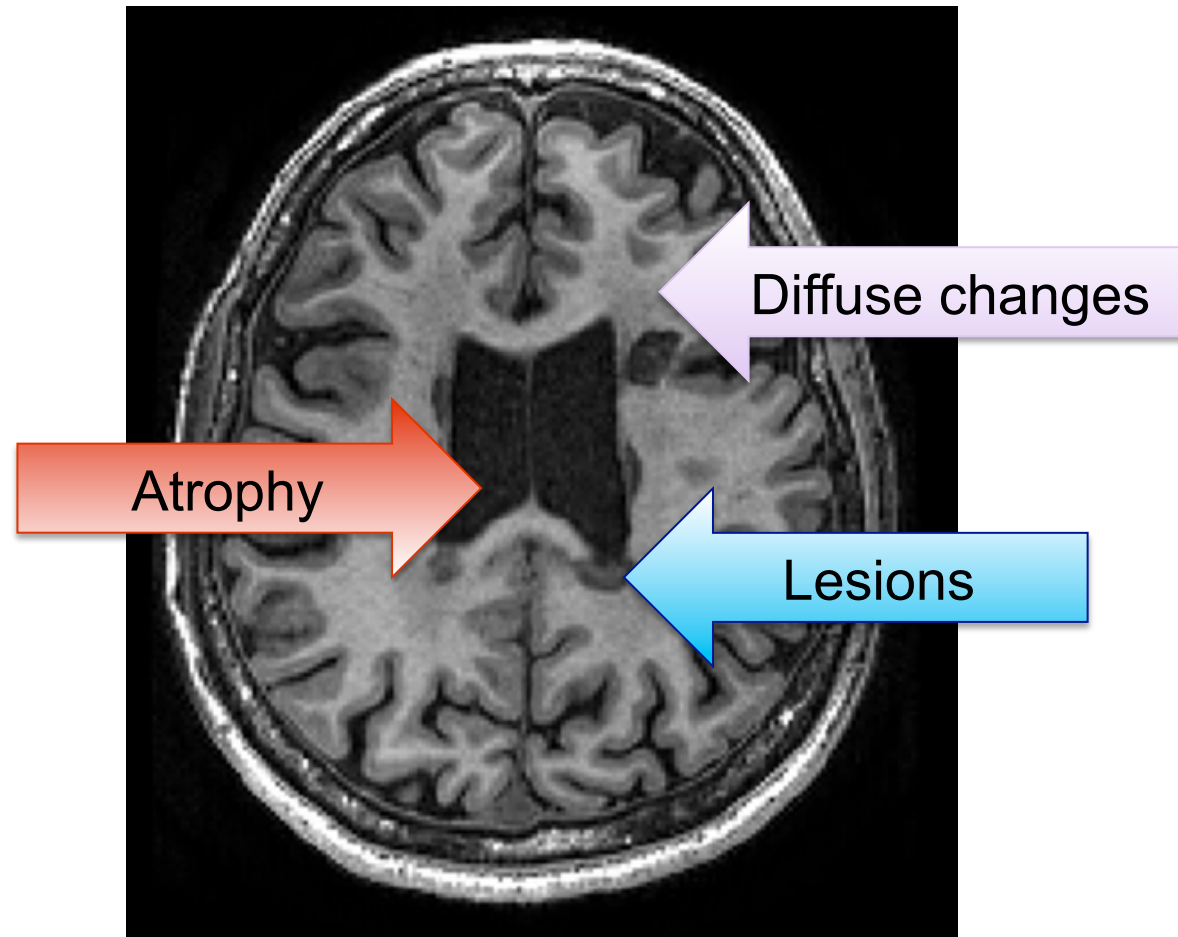


Fisher, Ann Neurol 2008



- Atrophy
- Atrophy = neurodegeneration?

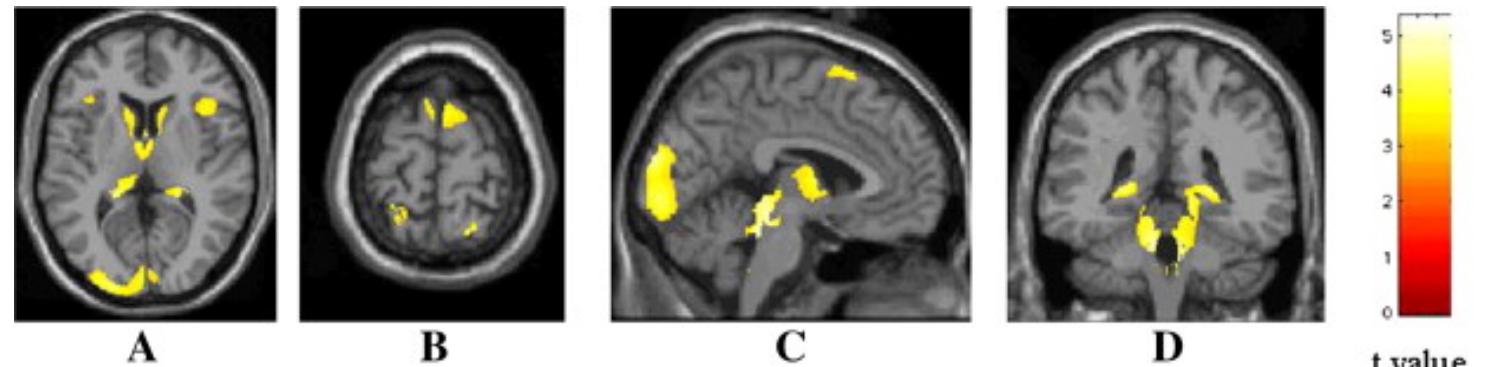
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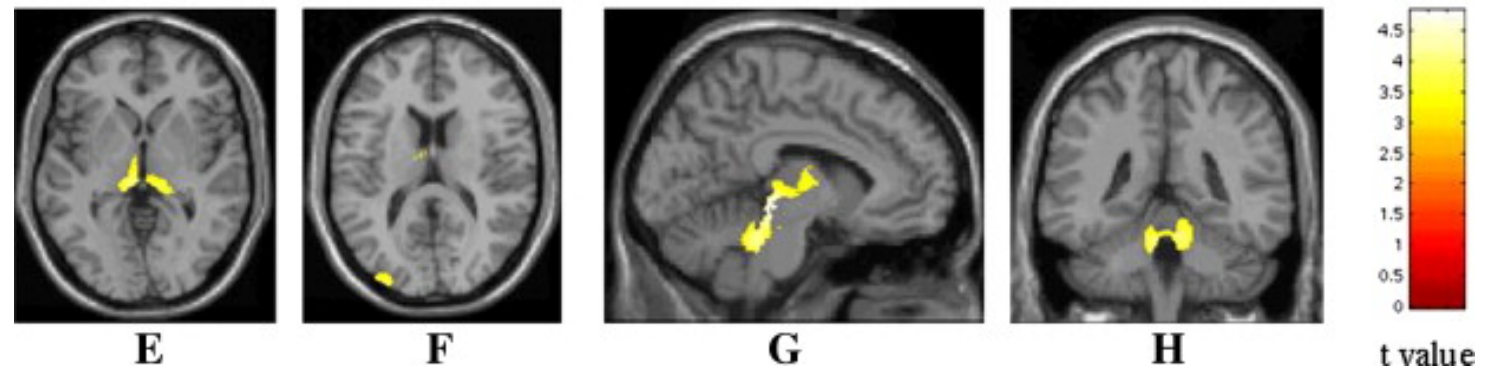
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SPMS vs RRMS



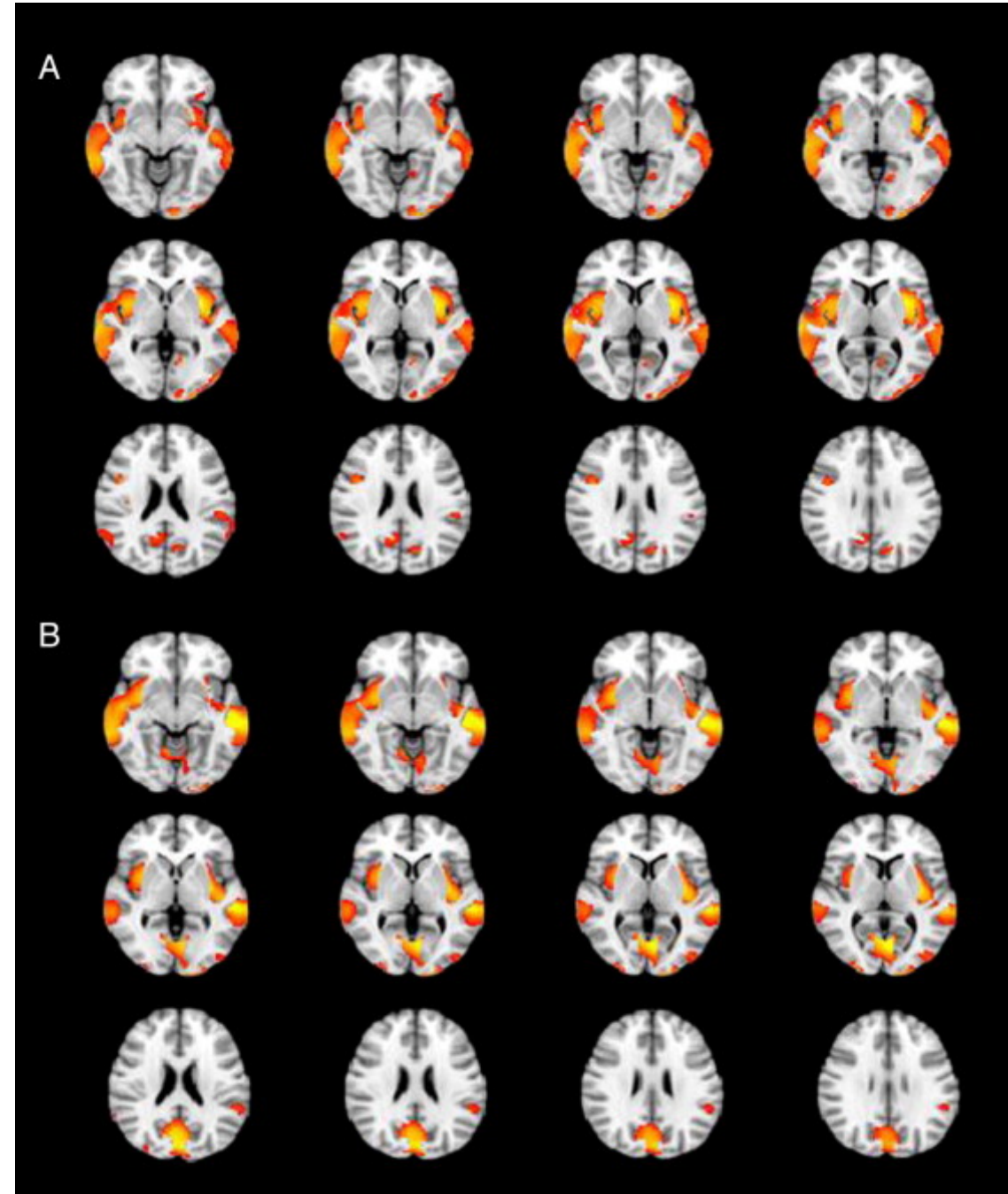
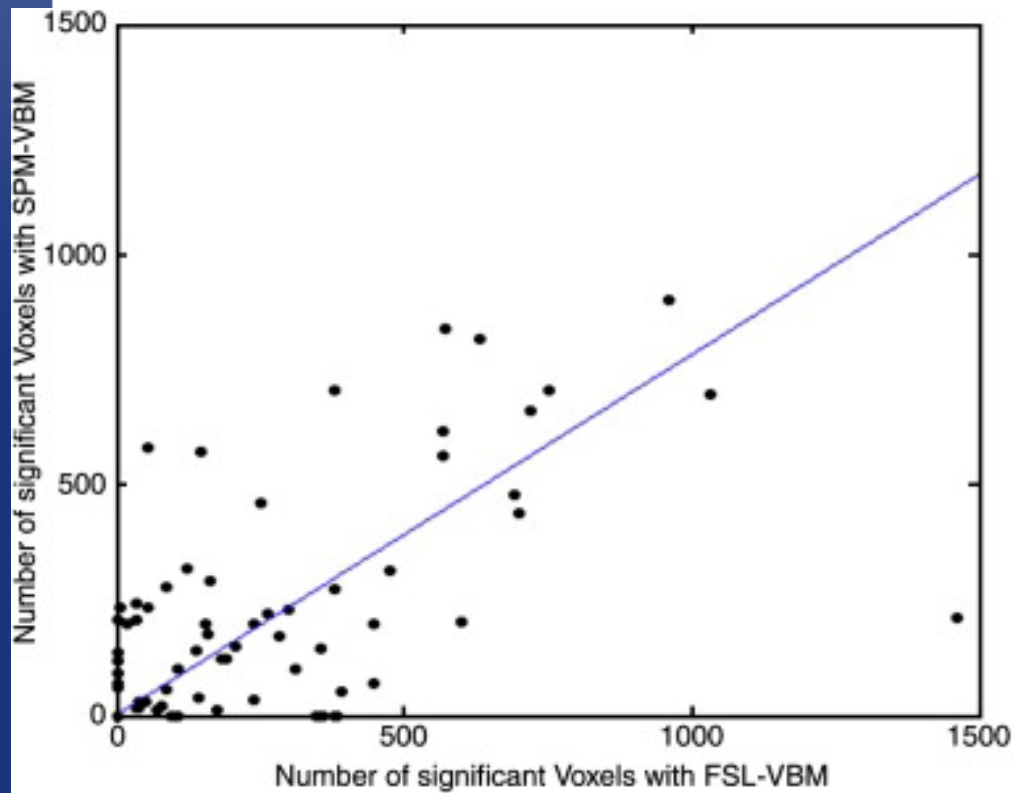
SPMS vs PPMS



Ceccarelli *et al.*, Neuroimage 2008

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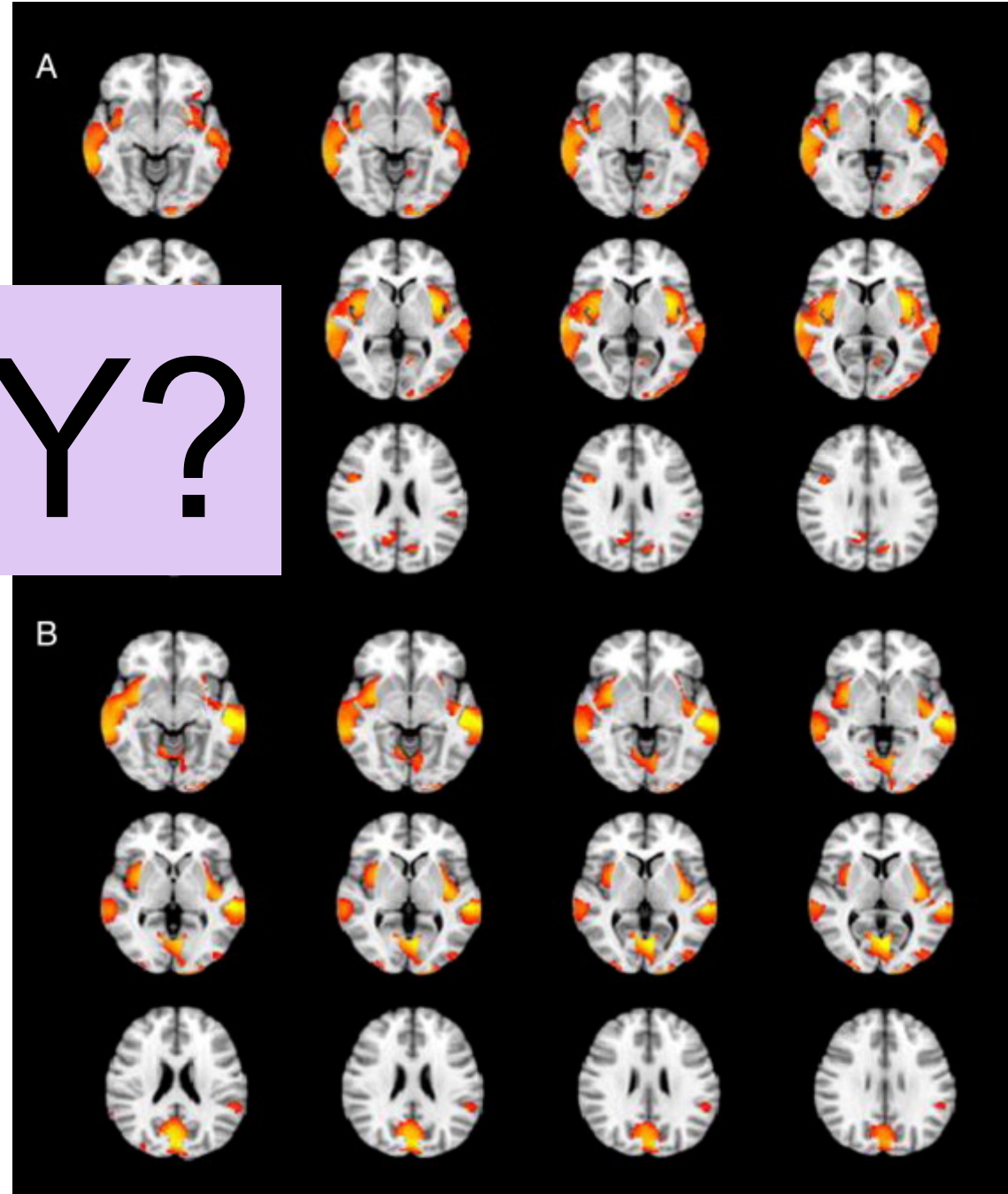
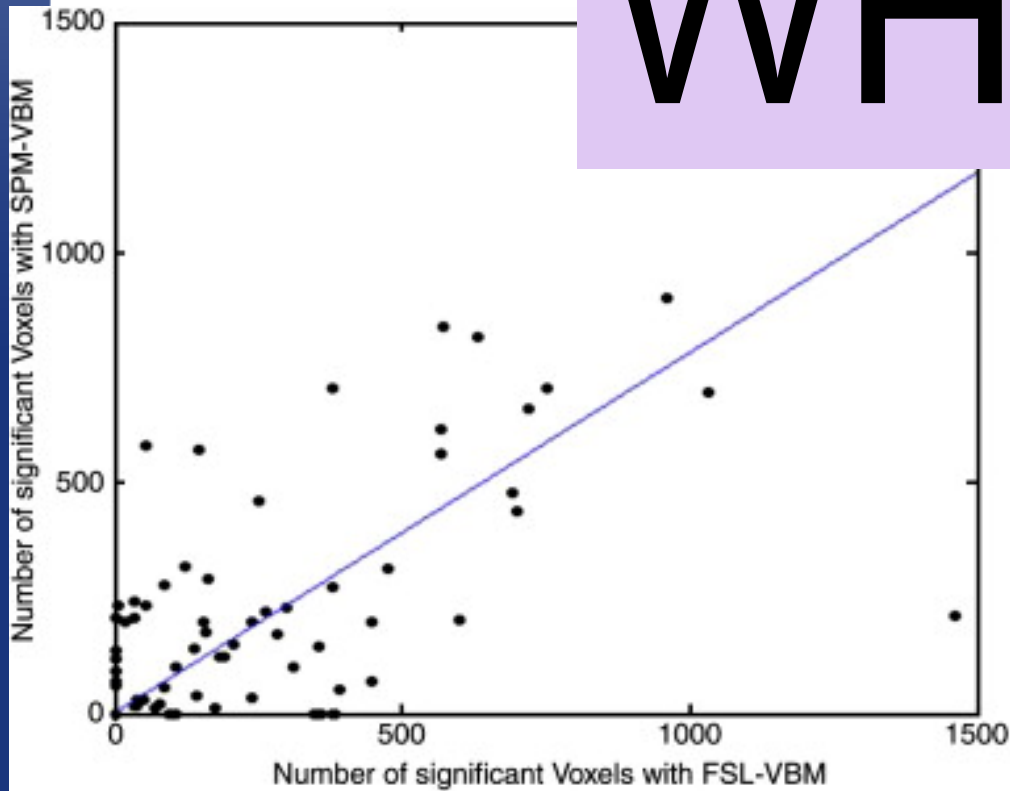
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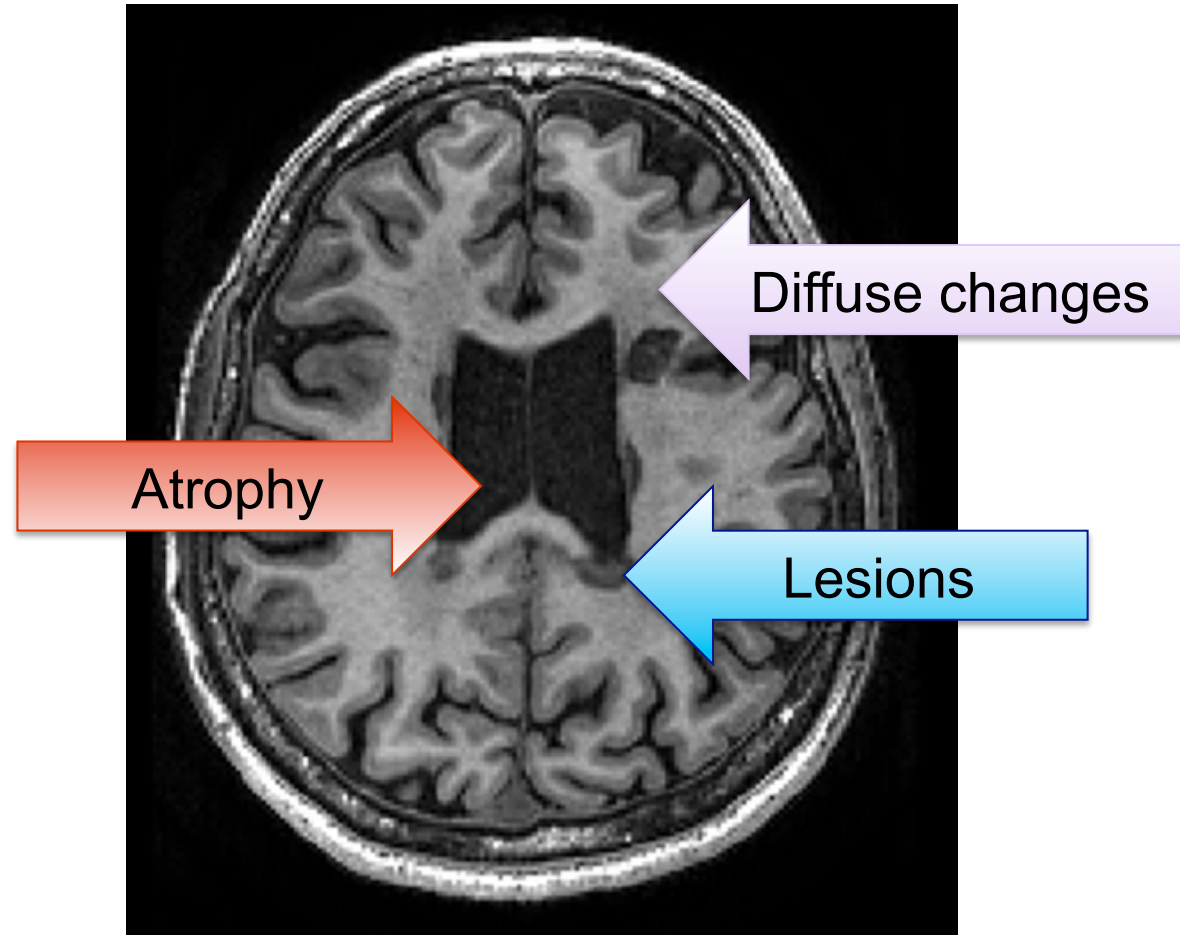


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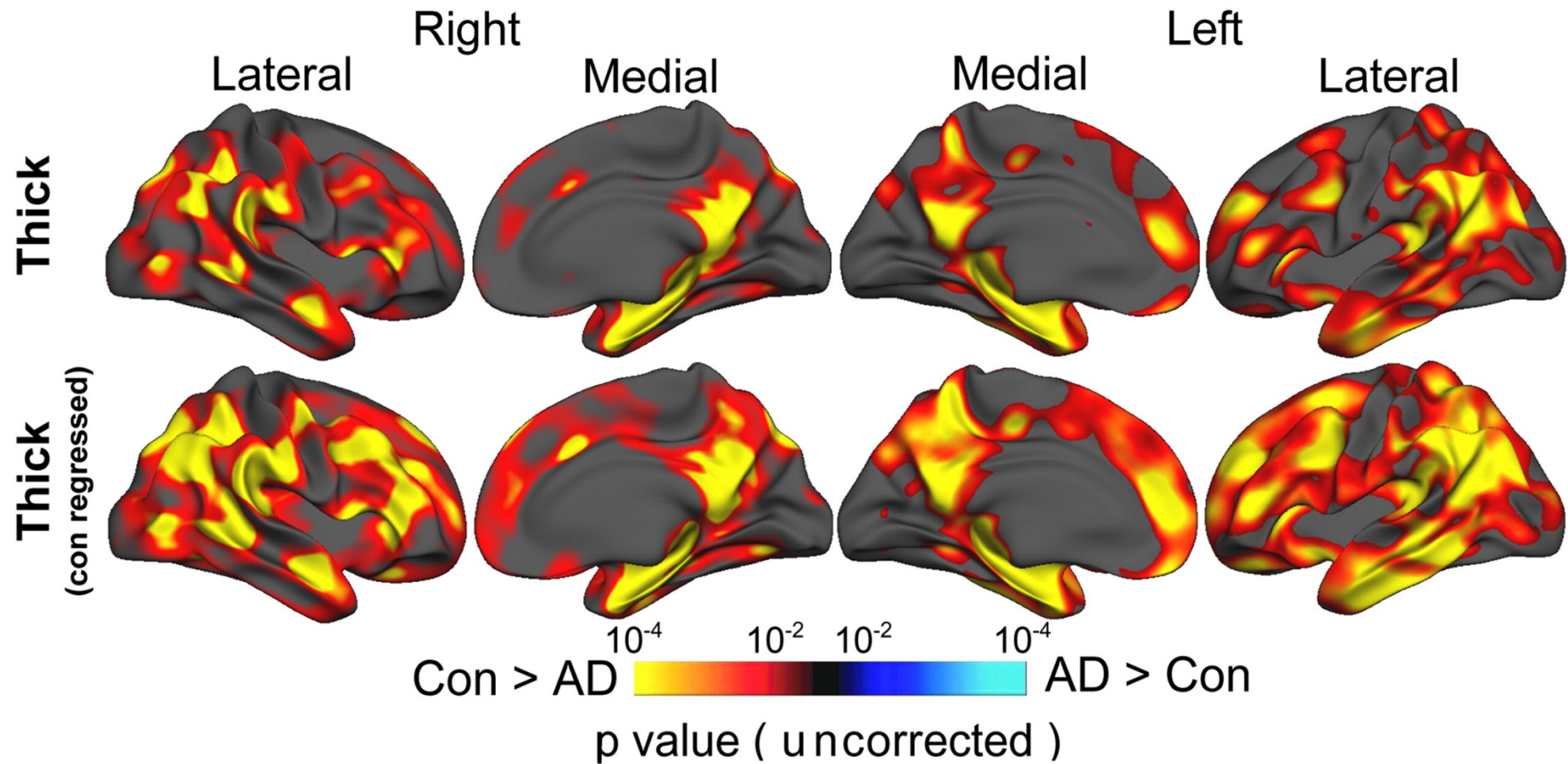


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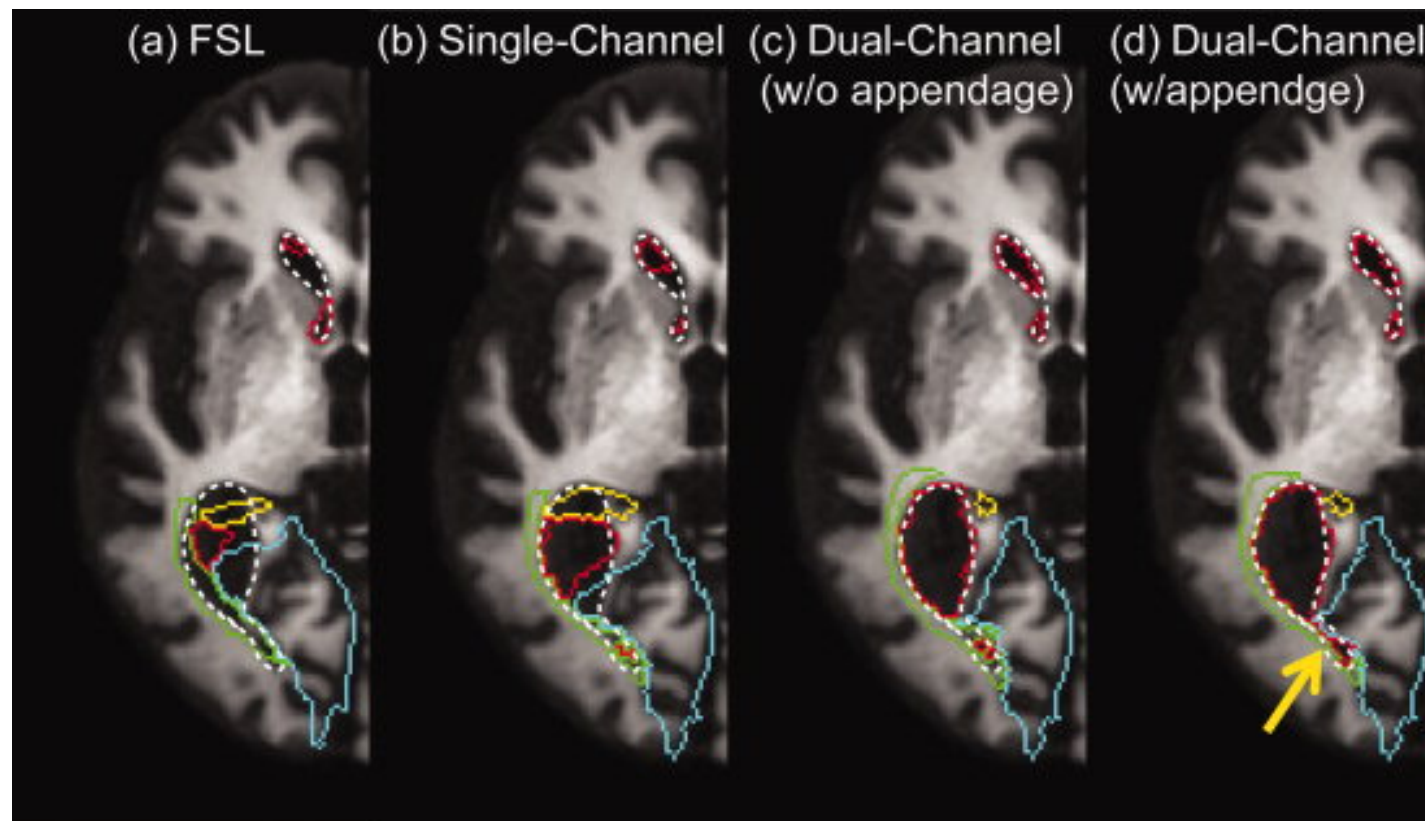
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- Diffuse changes
- Atrophy
- Lesions

- Influence of local tissue contrast



- Diffuse changes
 - Atrophy
 - Lesions
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- Influence of atrophy on measurement of ... atrophy



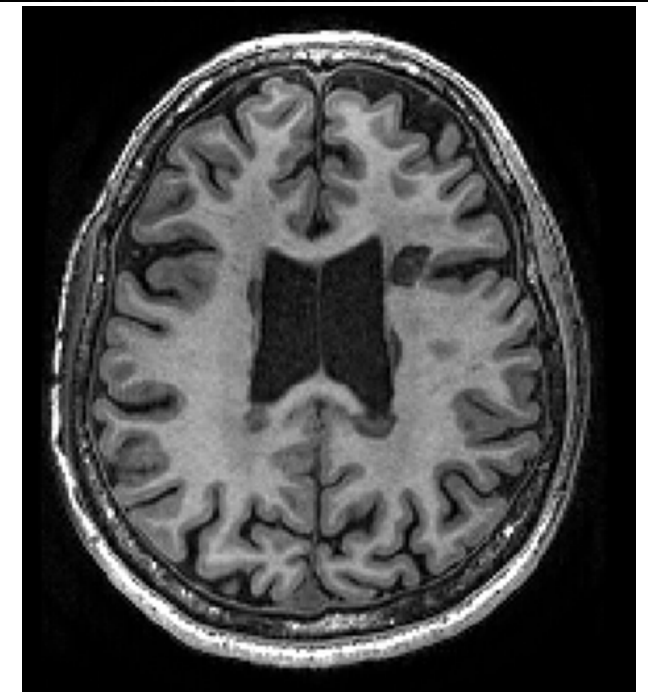
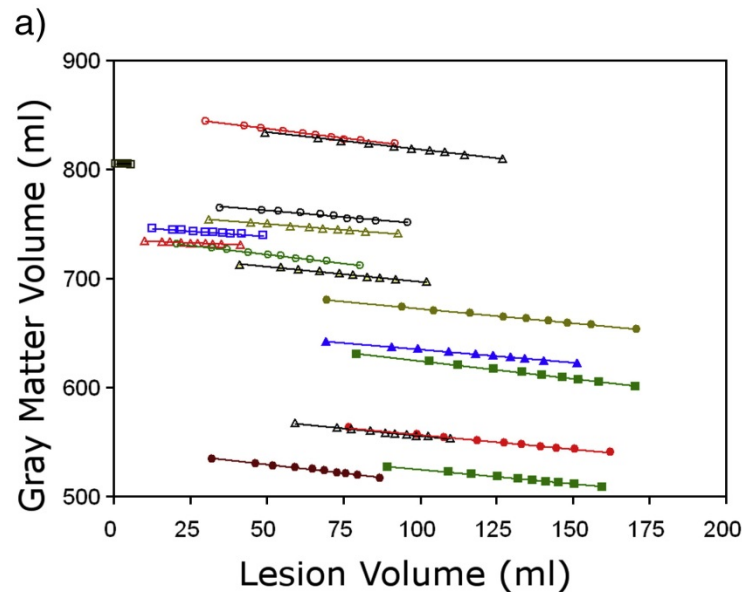
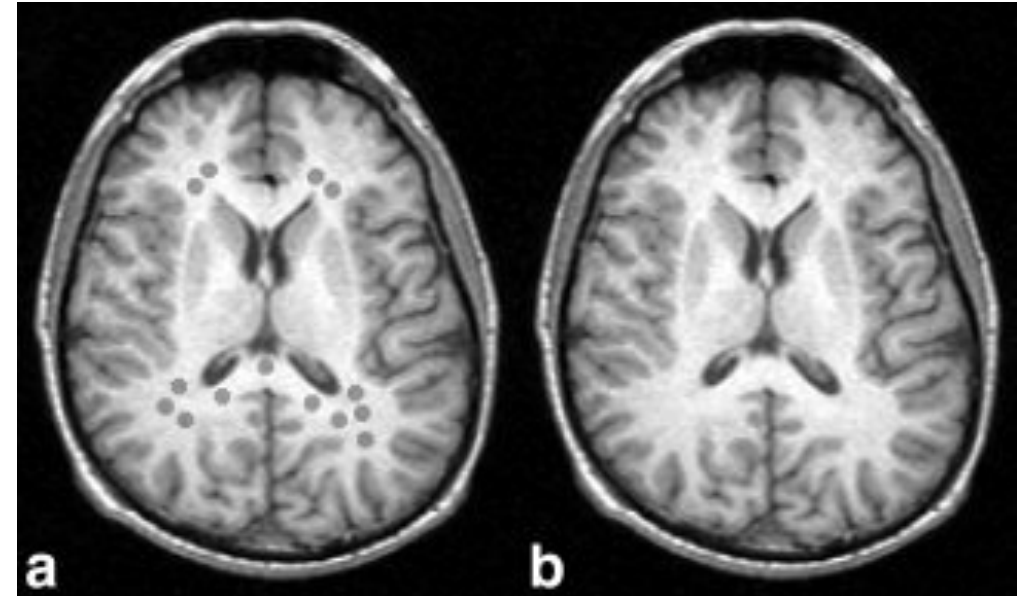
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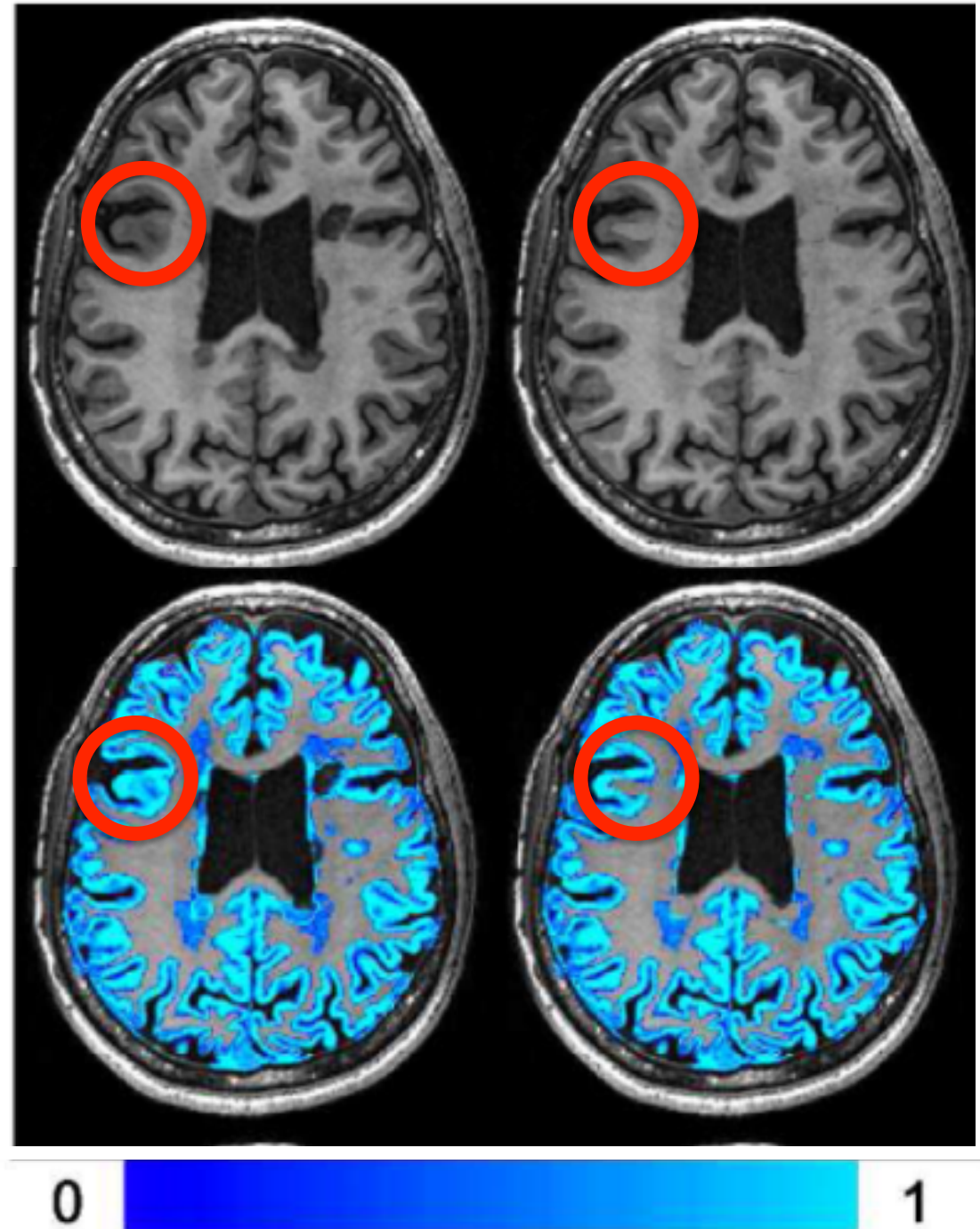
- Measured grey matter volumes vary with white matter lesion volume!

“Solution”: lesion-filling

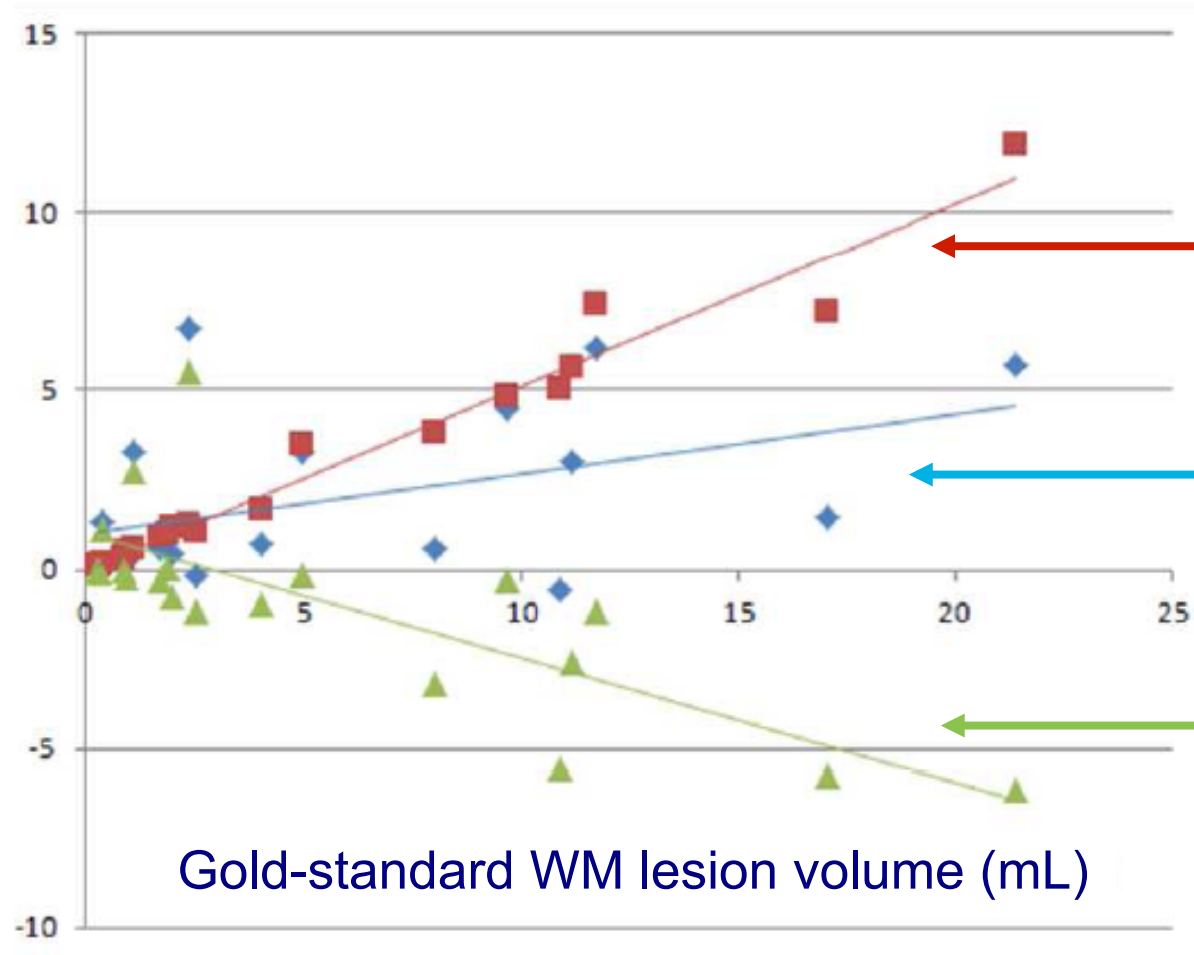


Sdika Hum Brain Mapp 2009; Nakamura Neuroimage 2009;
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- GM volume estimation disturbed throughout brain



GM volume difference from gold-standard (mL)



Overestimation
inside lesions

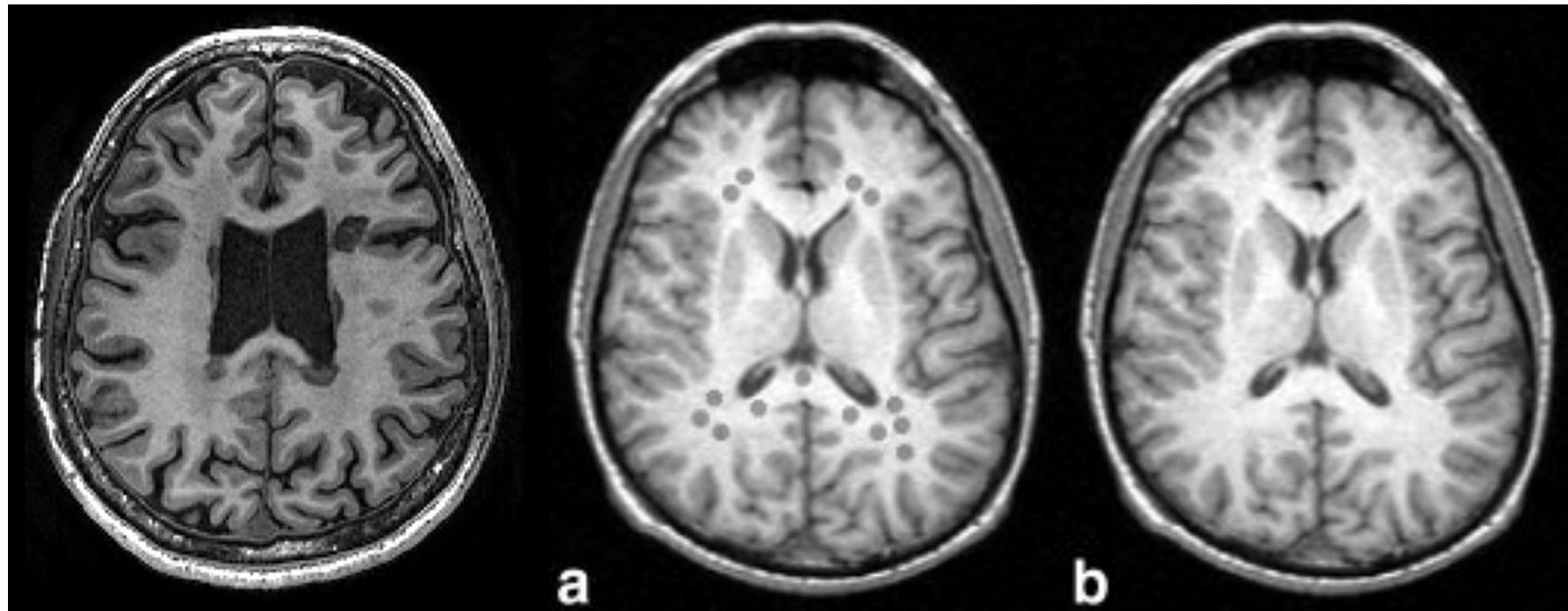
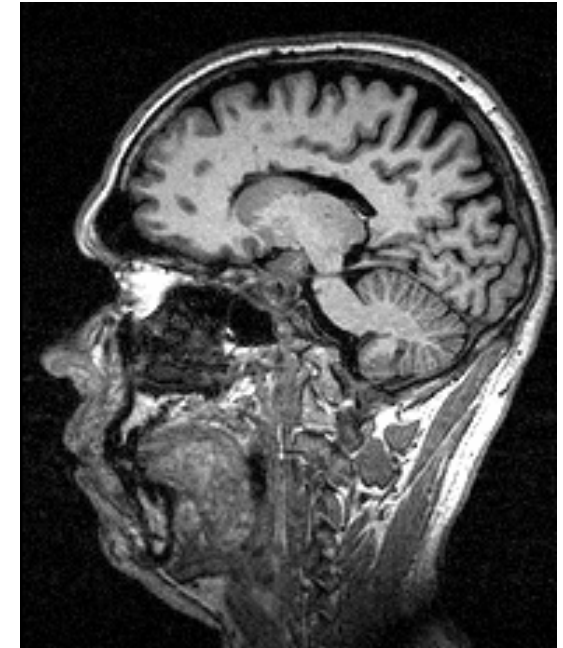
Total GM volume
error without filling

Underestimation
outside lesions

- FSL-FAST
- 20 patients, 2 centers

Does lesion-filling solve the problem?

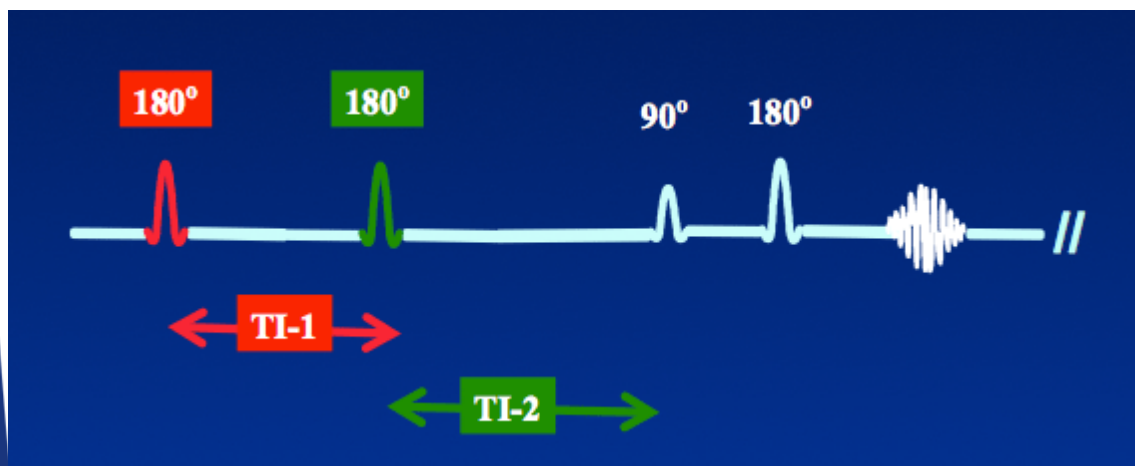
- Lesions have to be precisely outlined
- 3D T1-weighted images are of high resolution
- Precise lesion outlines have to be available in 3DT1 space to apply lesion-filling



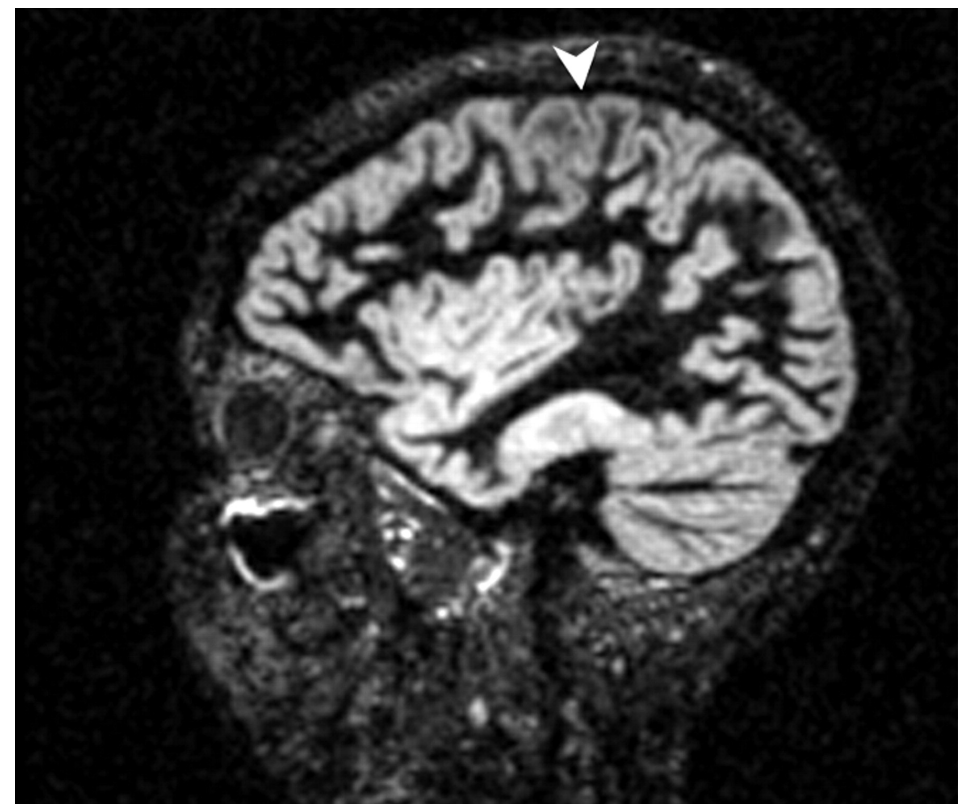
VISUALIZING FOCAL GM LESIONS

Double inversion recovery (DIR)

- Two inversion pulses
- Optimizing TI_1 and TI_2 to null signal from both WM and CSF
- Retain only GM in controls
- ... + lesions in MS



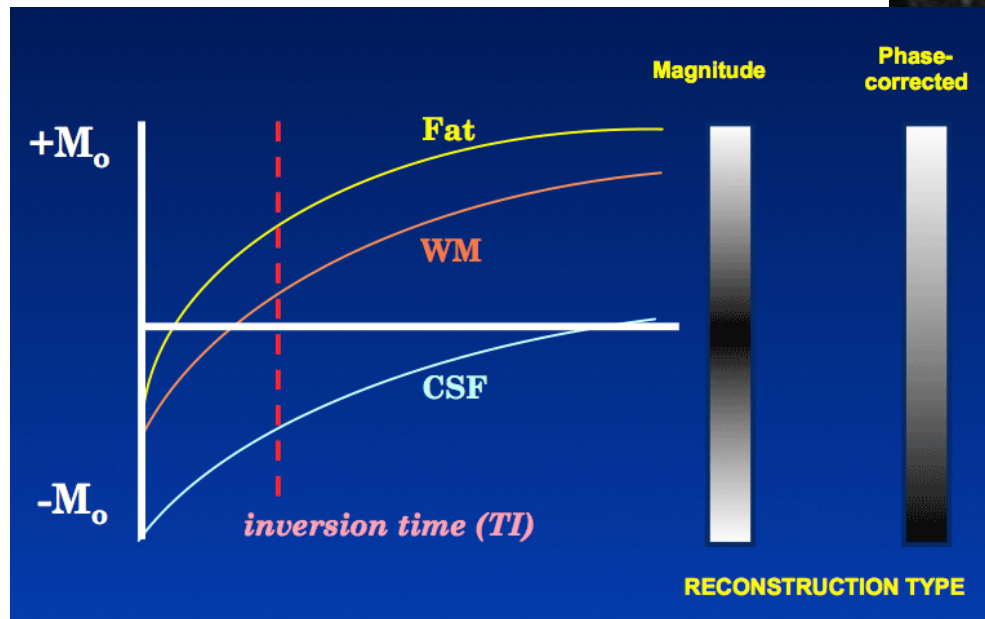
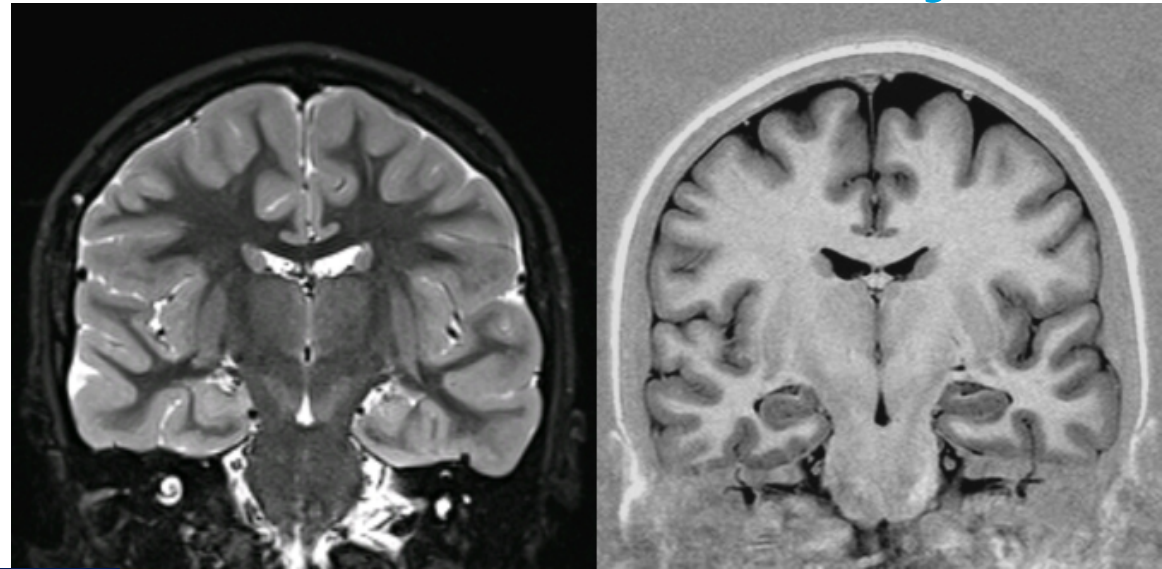
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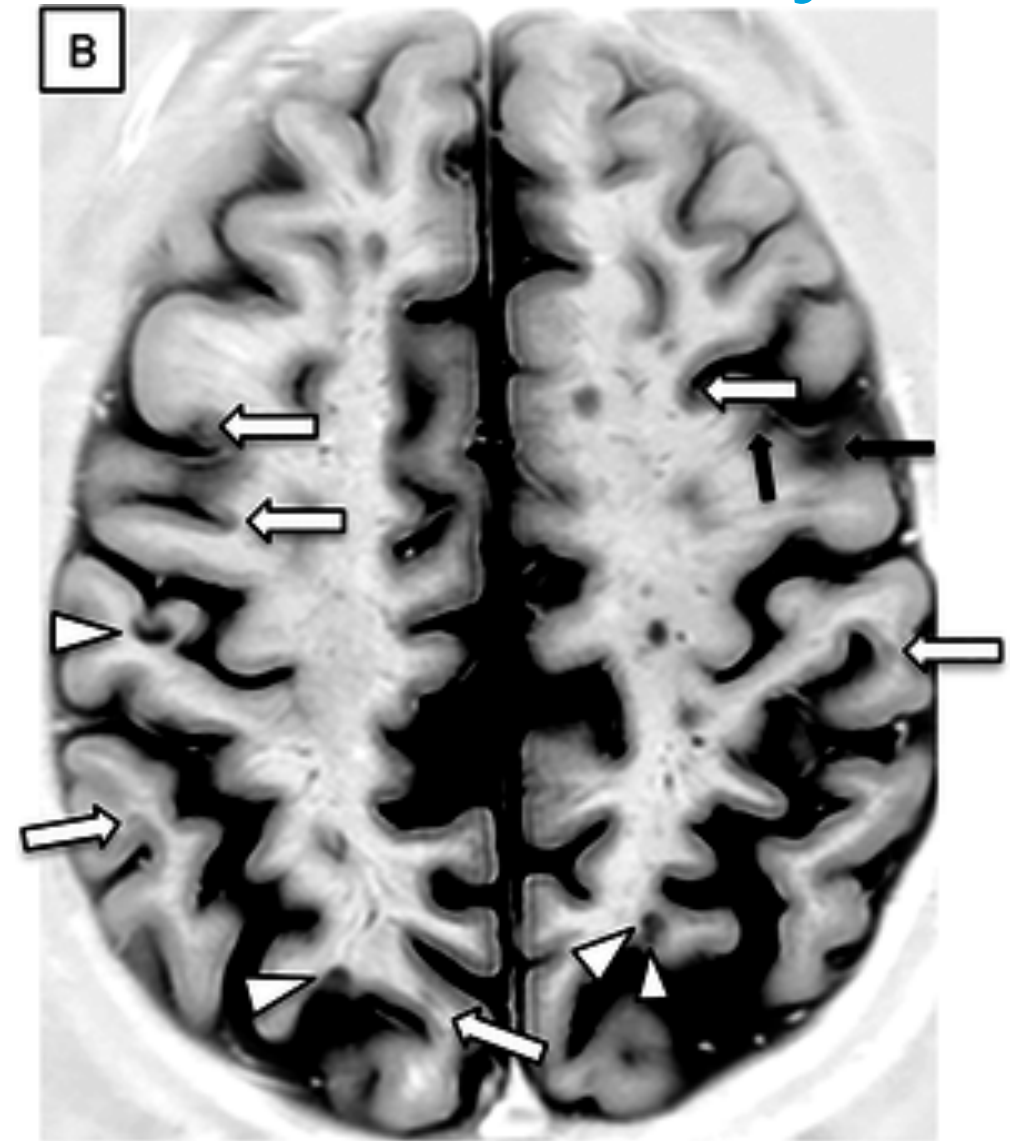
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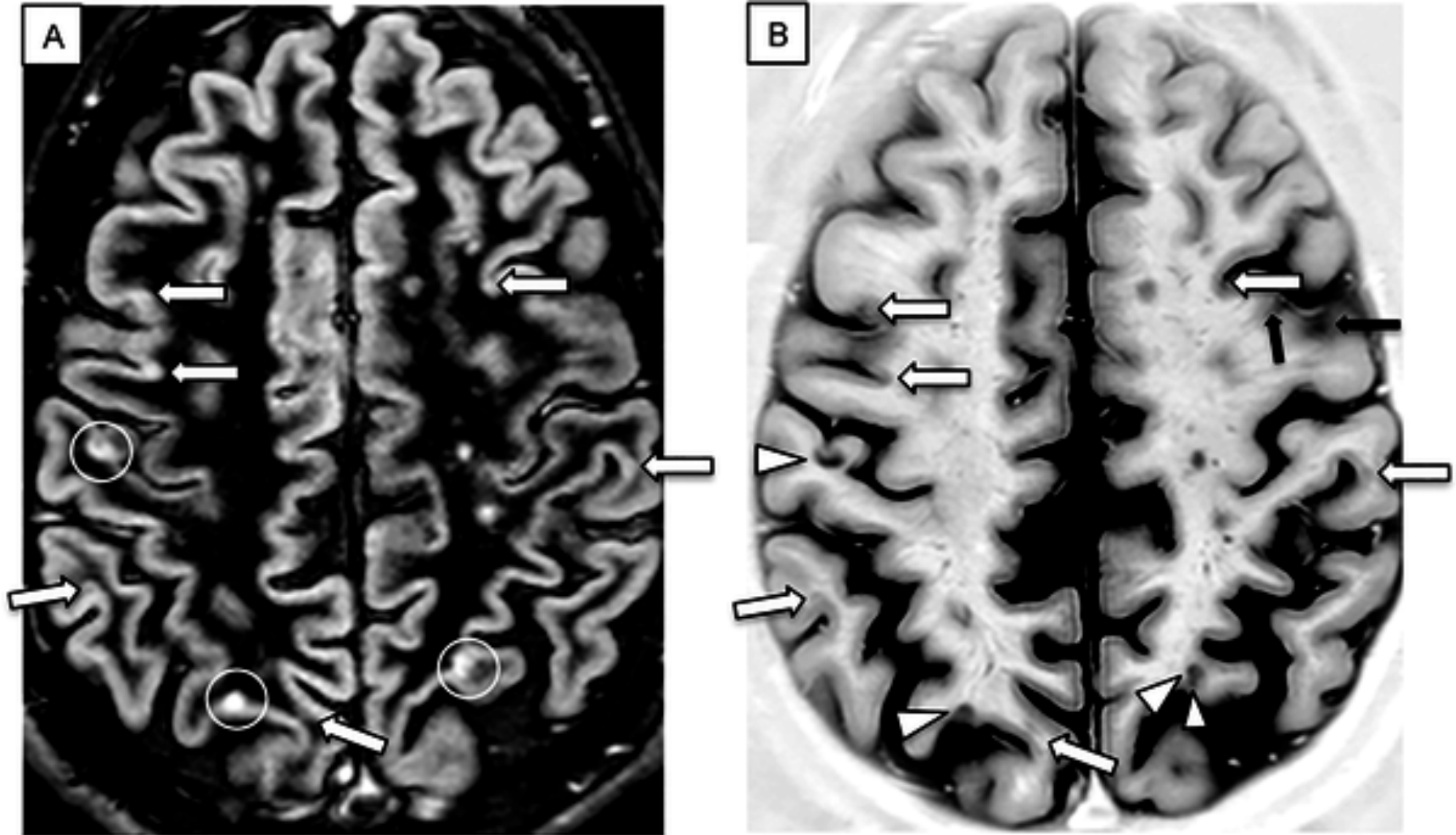


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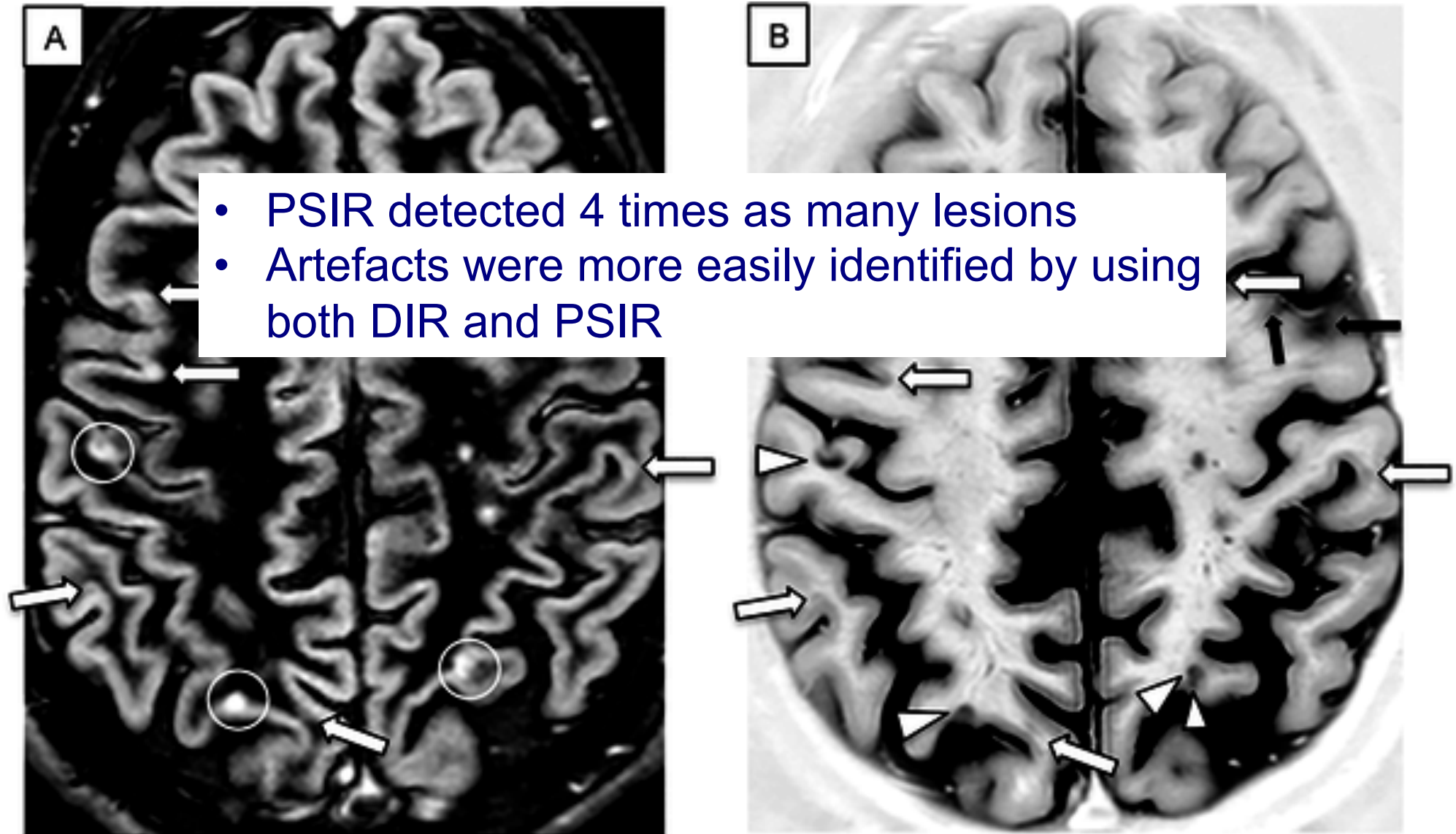
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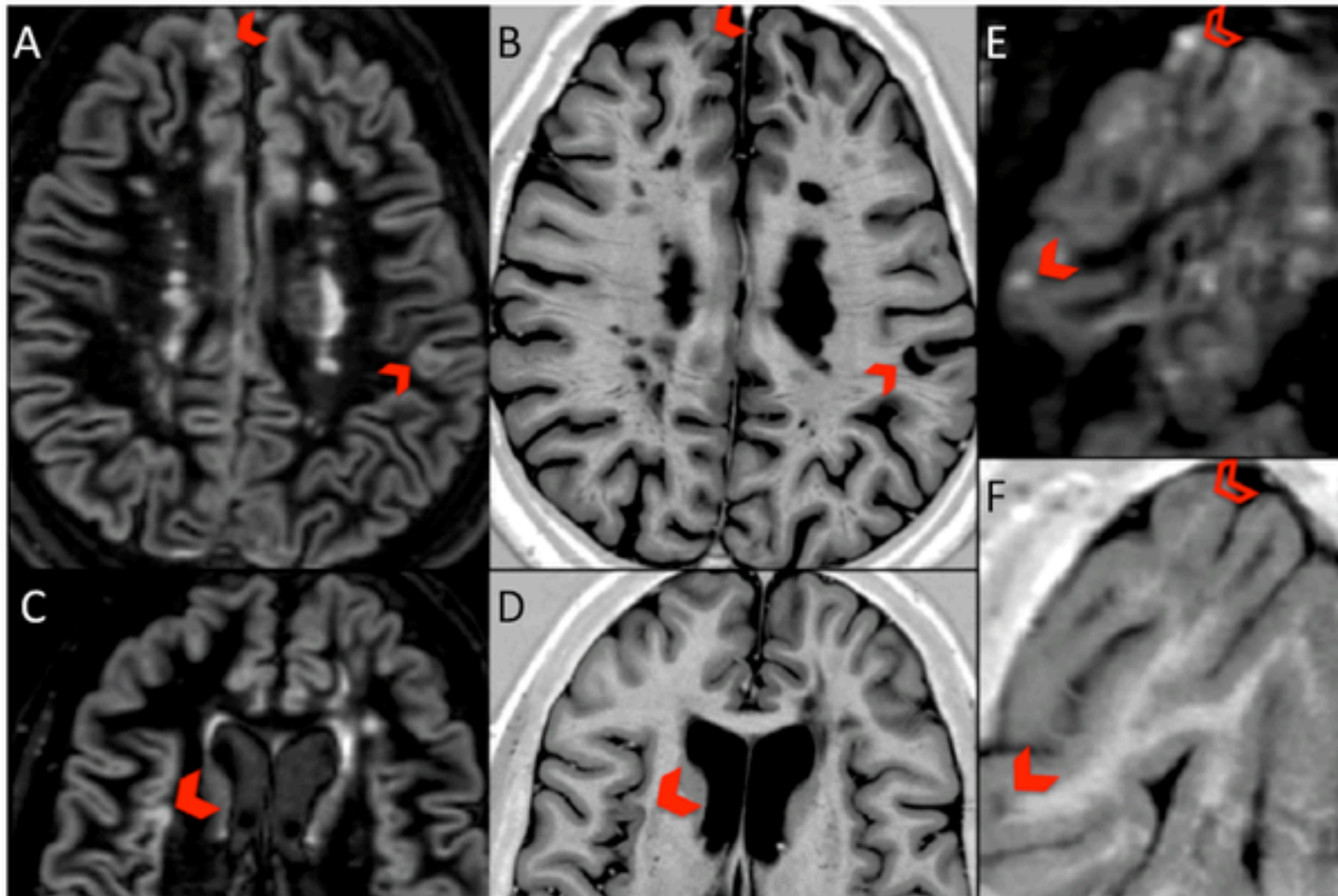
DIR and PSIR



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Is PSIR better than DIR for determining lesion locations?



DIR and PSIR and MPRAGE

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Is 3D MPRAGE better than the combination
DIR/PSIR for cortical lesion detection at 3 T MRI?



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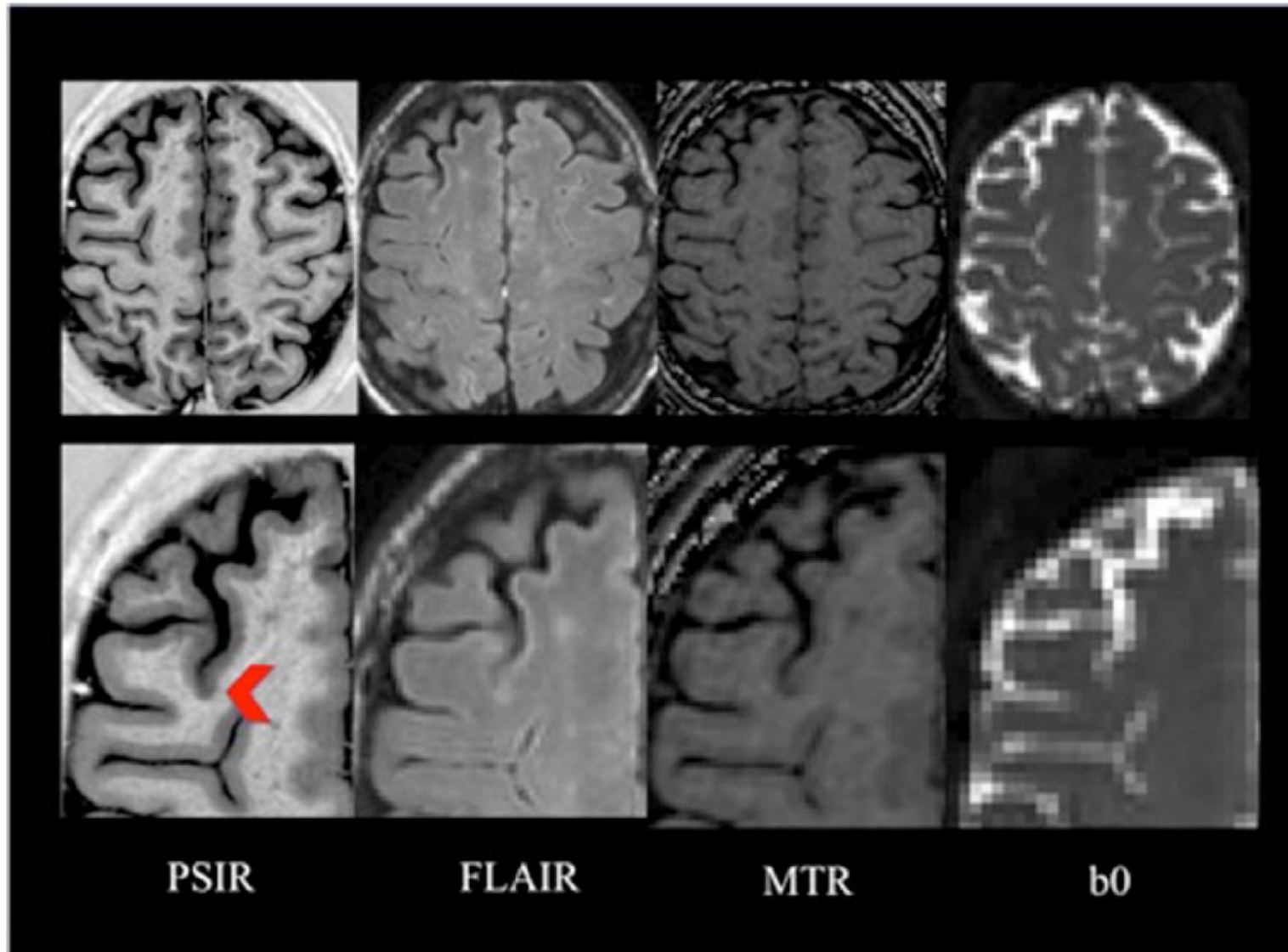
Conclusions: Combination DIR/PSIR at 3 T is superior to 3D MPRAGE for detection of cortical gray matter lesions in MS. The contrast-to-noise ratio of CL appears to be inferior on the MPRAGE images relative to DIR/PSIR

PROBING DIFFUSE GM DAMAGE

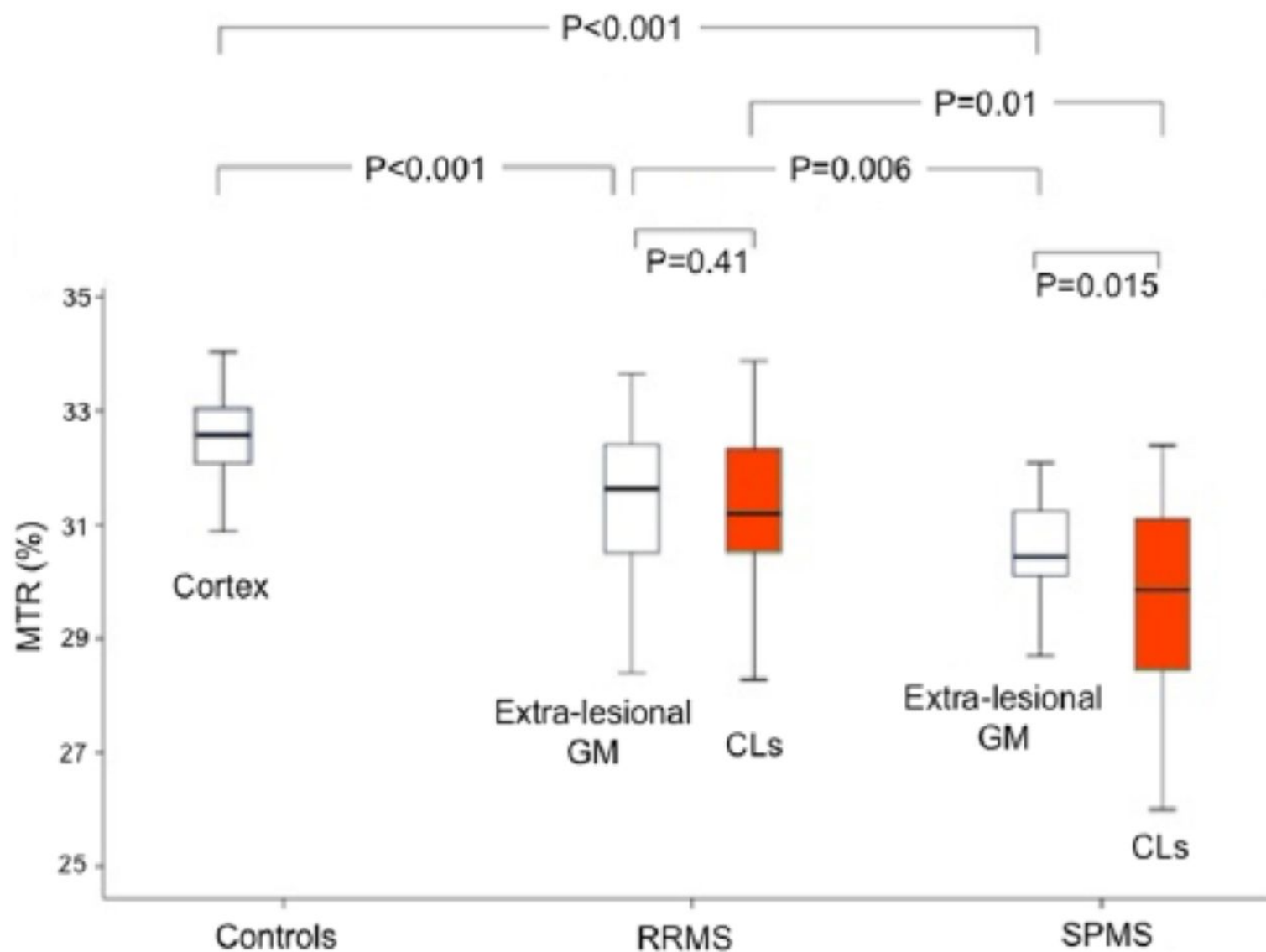
Different quantitative MR techniques

- Diffusion tensor imaging
- Magnetization transfer imaging
- Quantitative susceptibility mapping
- T2* mapping

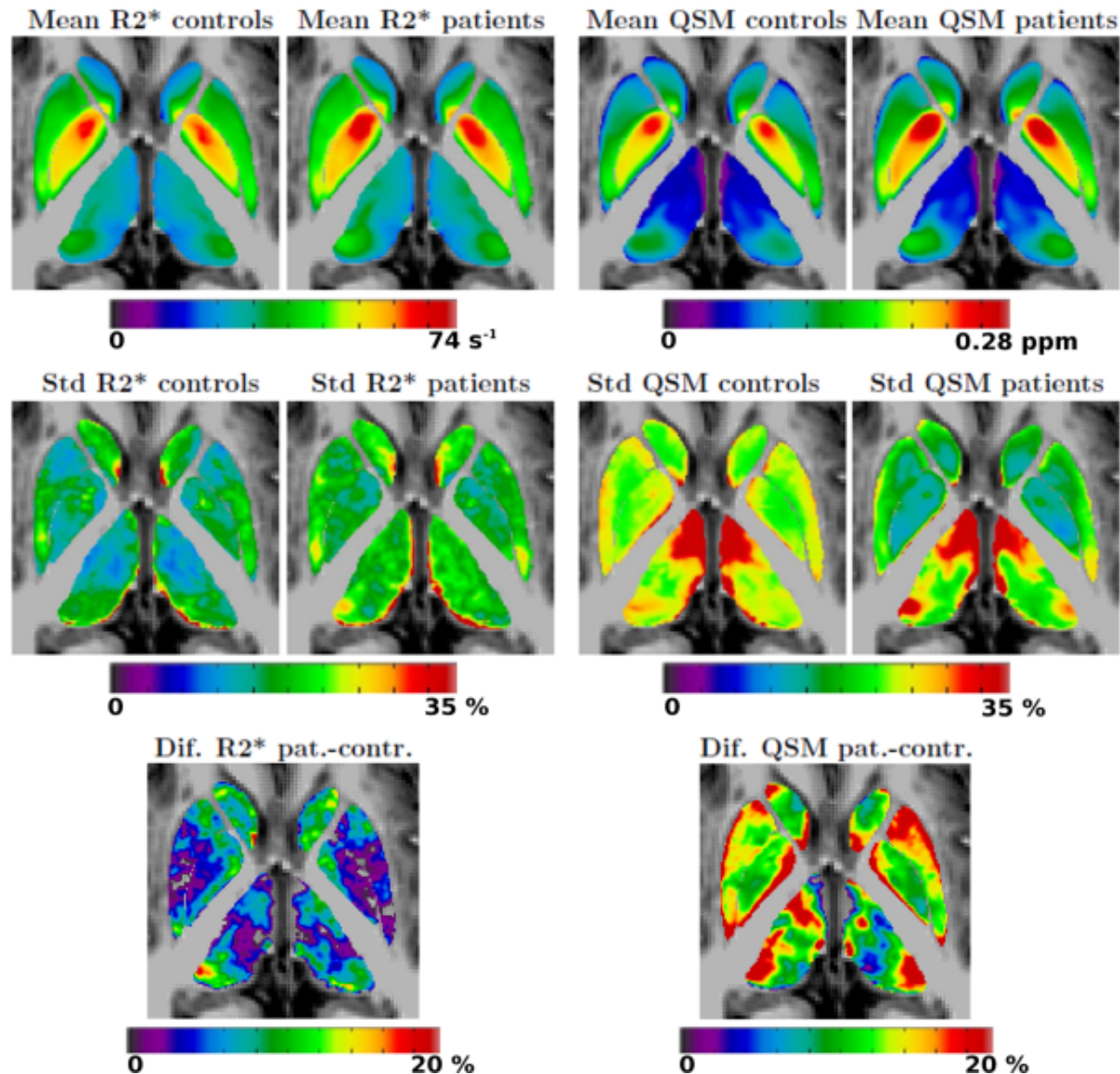
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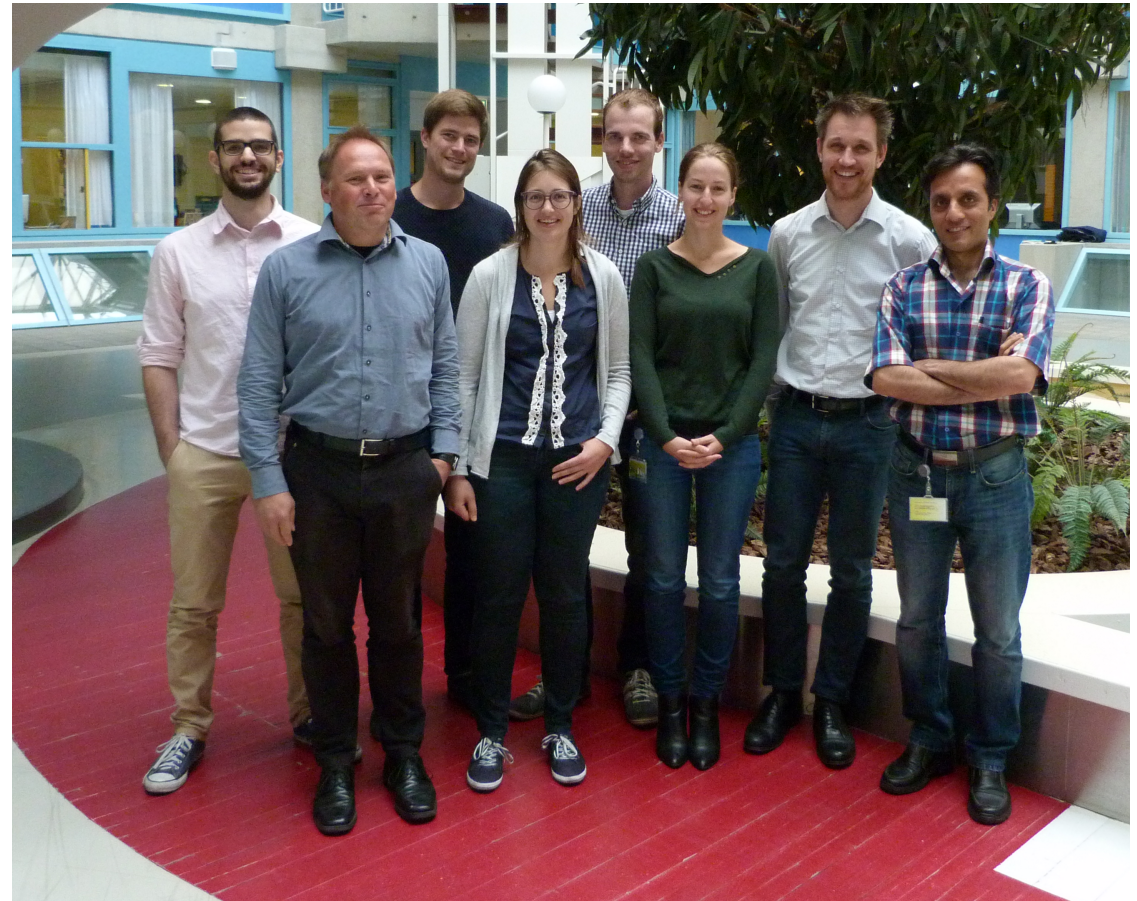


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