

Innovation in Neurosurgery:

A Celebration, an Invitation, and an Obligation

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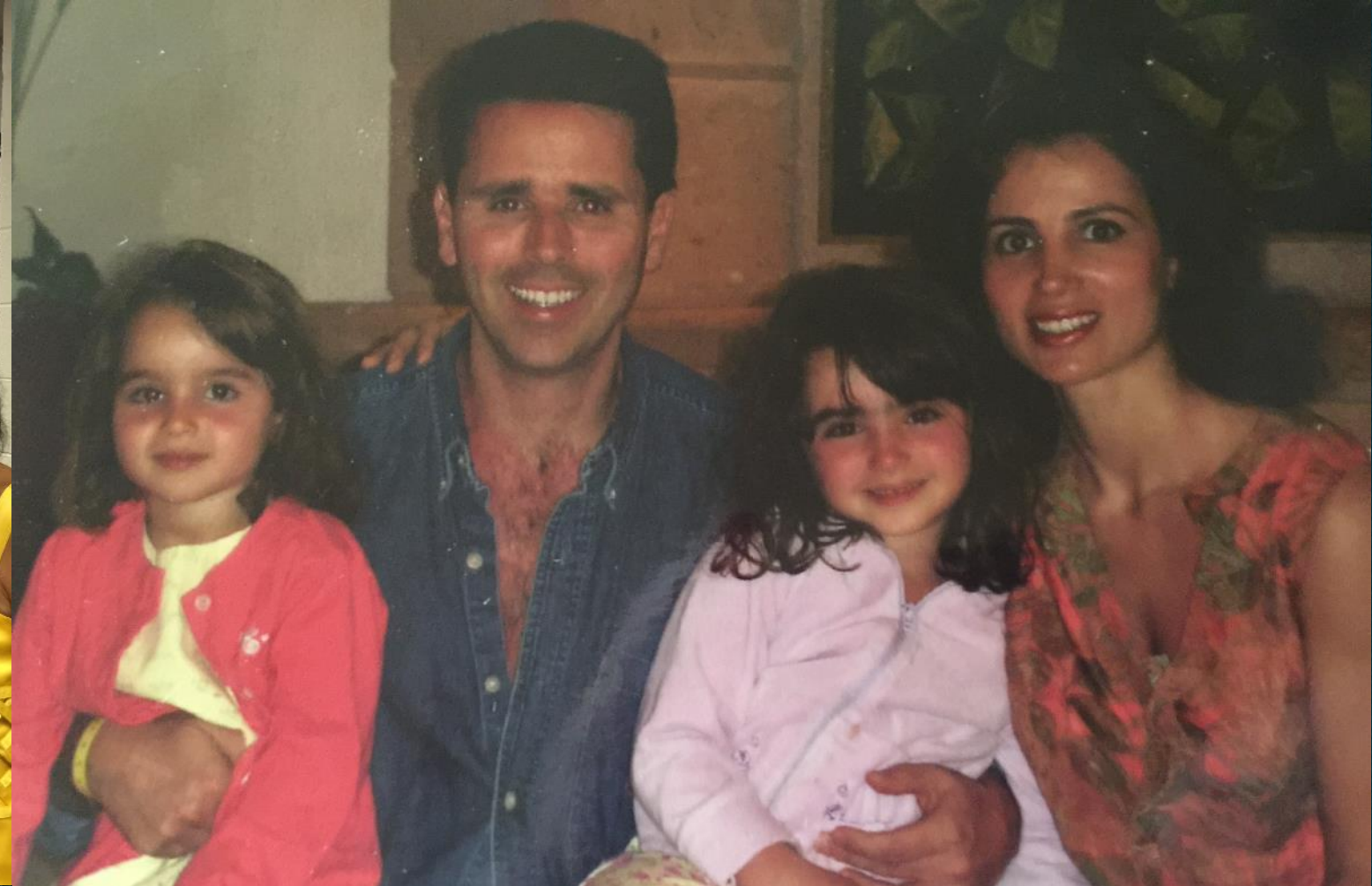
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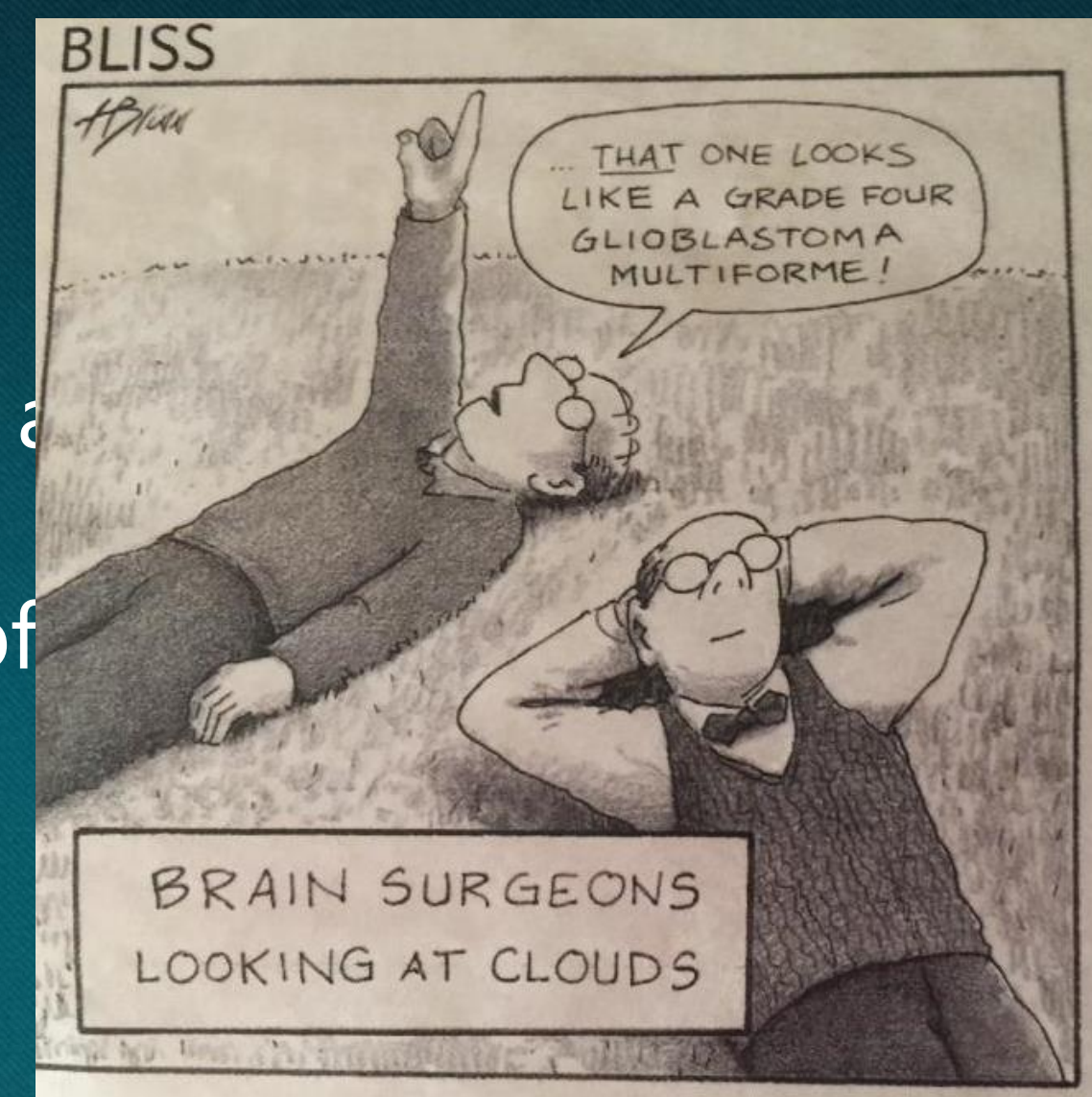




NSA Organizational Meeting, June 5th, 1948

It was inevitable that a special interest in so hazardous a field as neurosurgery would form an automatic bond among the few venturesome souls who struggled the trying formative days of our specialty.

William Meacham



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Neurosurgery May Die

Richard M. Bergland, M.D.

Abstract

The promise and excitement that once permeated neurosurgery have yielded too often to an easy acceptance of the status quo that can be traced to a poorly ordered system of neurosurgical education. Current neurosurgical training programs contain 662 trainees, of whom 22 per cent are sponsored by the Educational Council for Foreign Medical Graduates. Most trainees are later capable of generalized practice at a standardized level; few are directed into neurosurgical subspecialties or neurosurgical research which will lead to neurosurgical progress. The development of 95 training programs can be linked in part to the service needs of the teaching institutions rather than to the eventual clinical needs of society. Although neurosurgeons in the United States perform "a total of five to six major operations a month," training programs have failed to limit the number of trainees.

New NSA members in 1971-2: John Jane, Peter Janetta, Al Rhoton, Anthony Raimondi, Mel Shafron, Jim Story, George Tindall, Julian Youm, Donlin Long, Yost Michelsen, John Tew, Donald Becker



A Celebration and an Invitation

innovare, dating to 1540, stemming from the Latin *innovatus*,
"to renew or change"

Lyle French 1958 NSA Presidential Address

In the field of medicine we are all young.
And youth, by it's nature is imaginative....
Why not foster, first in ourselves, then in
our fellow students, a general spirit to
look imaginatively into our knowledge....
By the welding together of imagination
and experience.



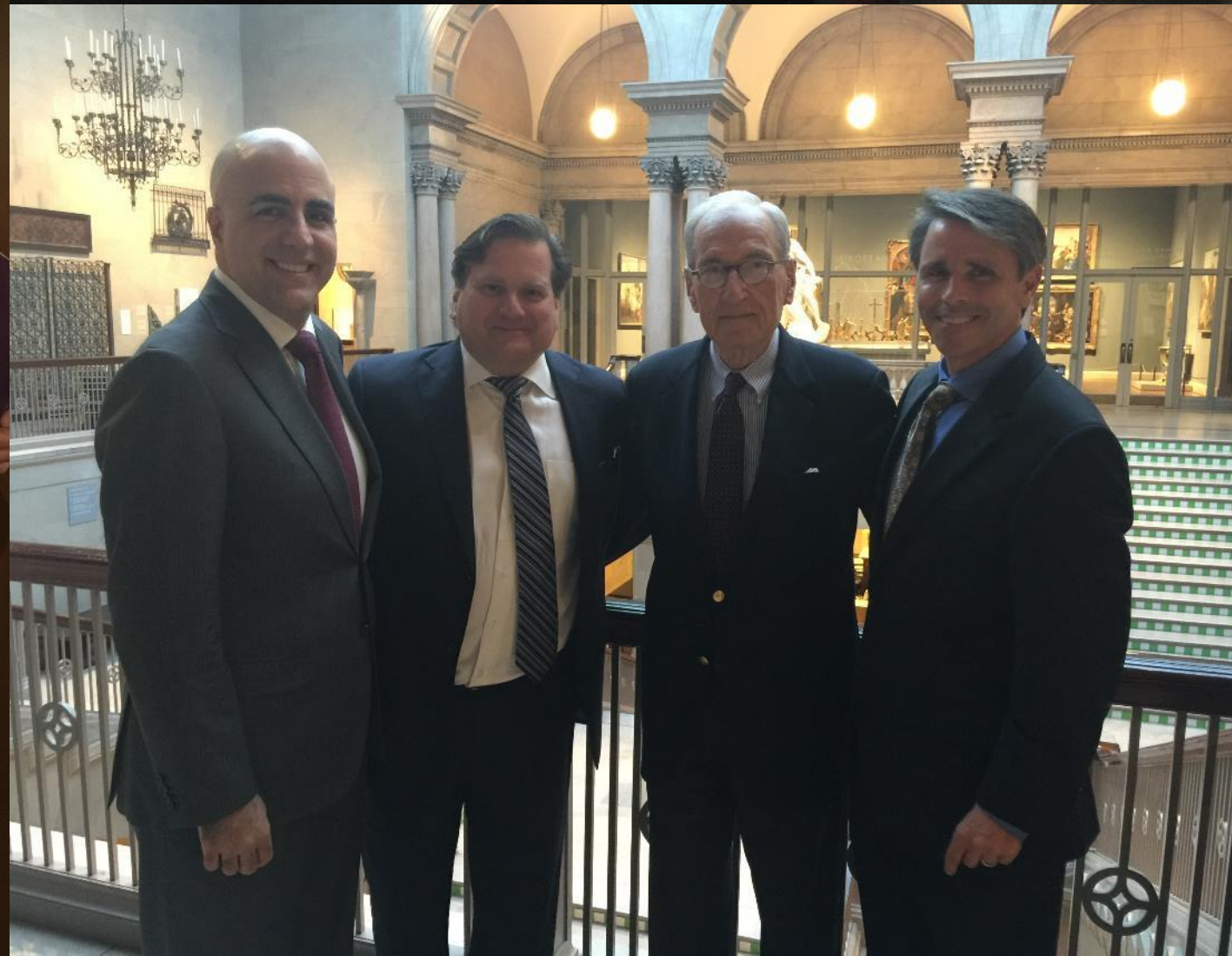
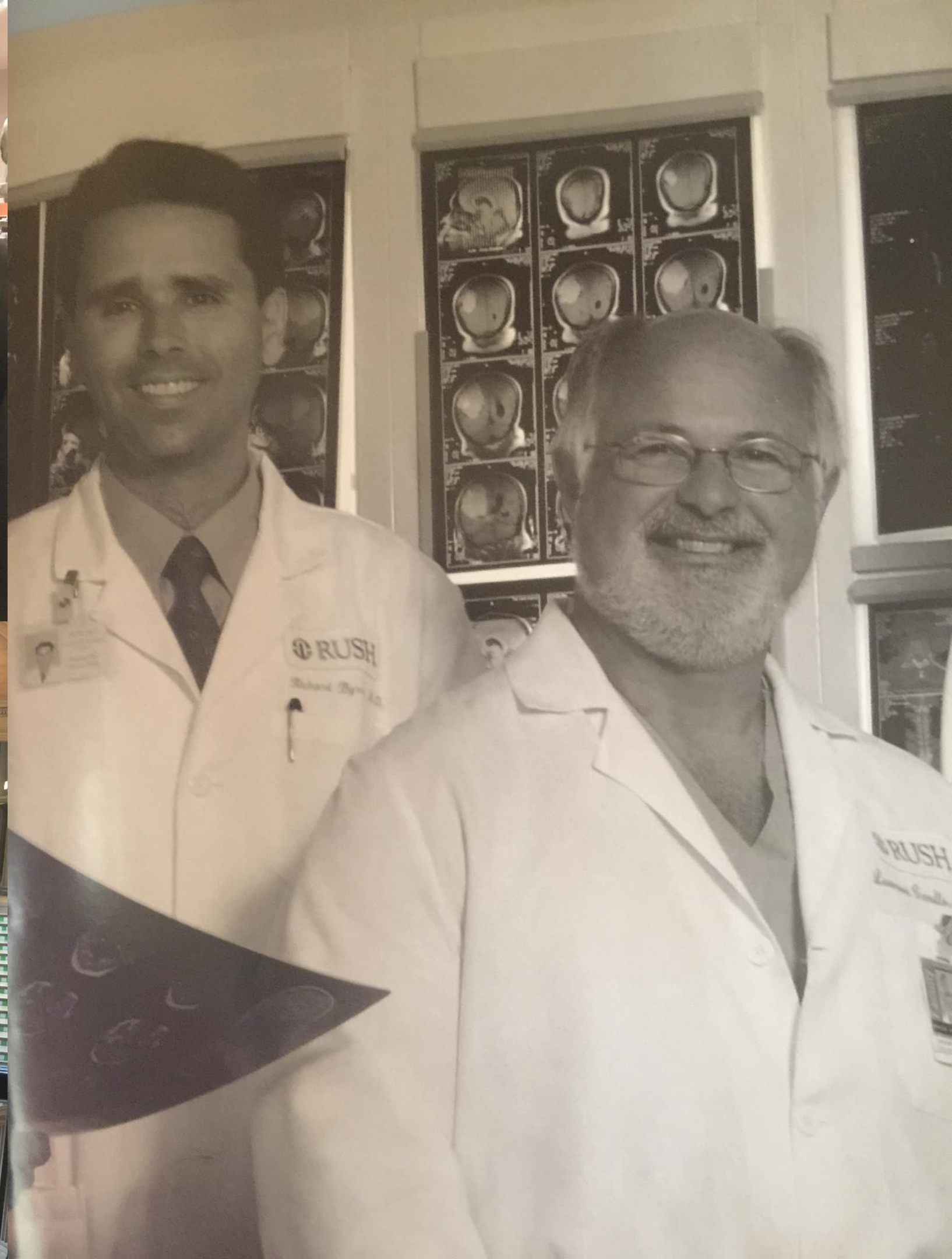
Lyle A. French, MD

1915 – 2004

President, NSA, 1957-58

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MRI

Baclofen pump

DBS

iMRI

Skull base endoscopy

Ultrasonic aspirator

Spinal instrumentation

VNS

Responsive neurostimulator

1980

1990

2000



MIS

Frameless radiosurgery

Radiosurgery

Endovascular coiling

fMRI

Frameless stereotaxy

BMP

Programmable shunt valves

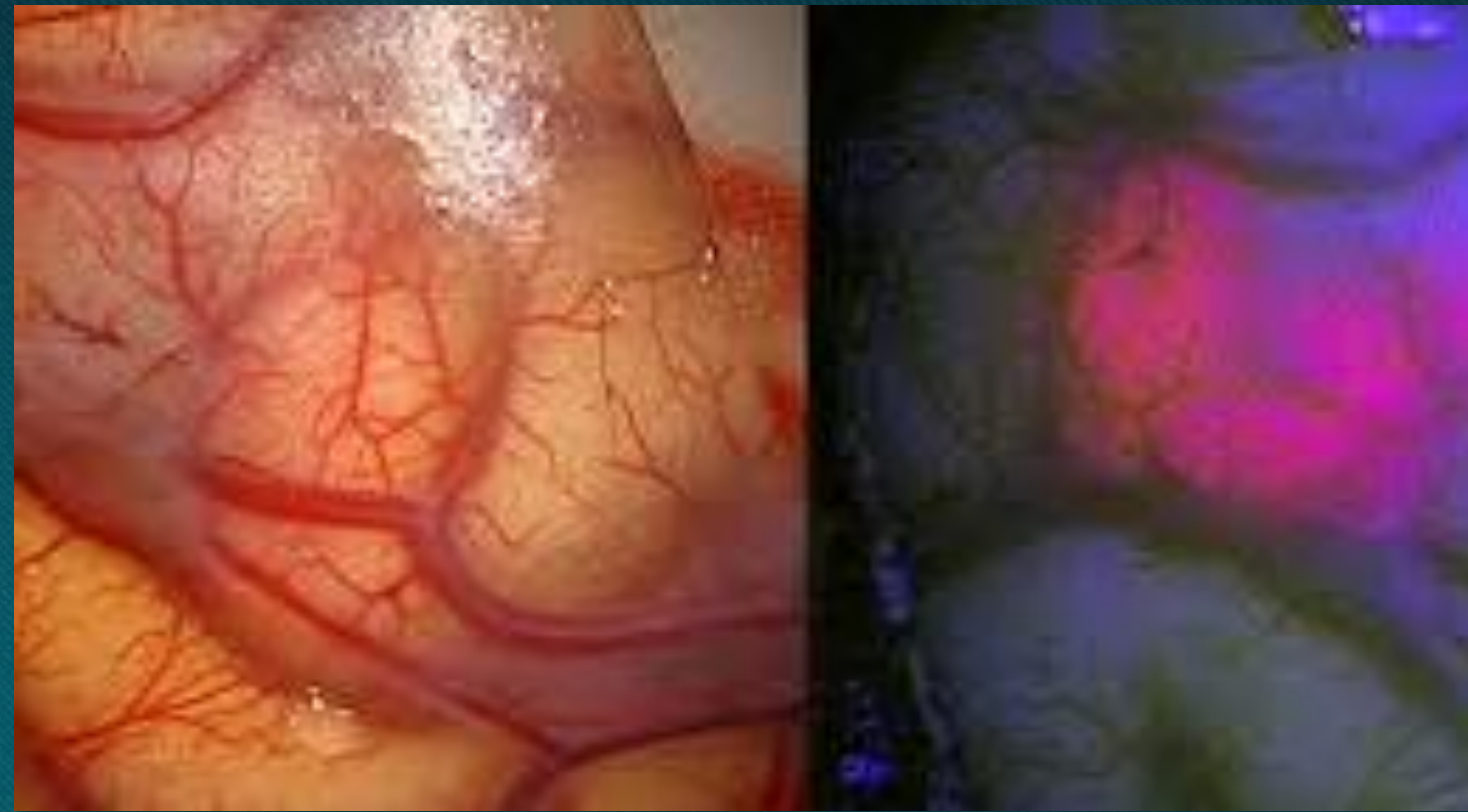
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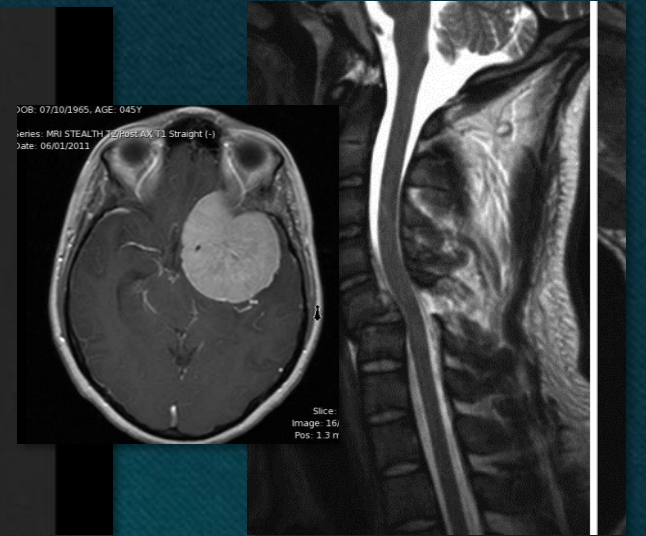
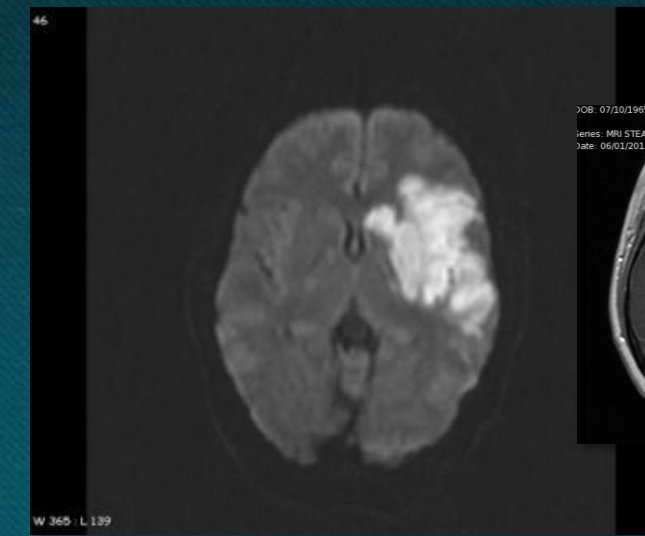
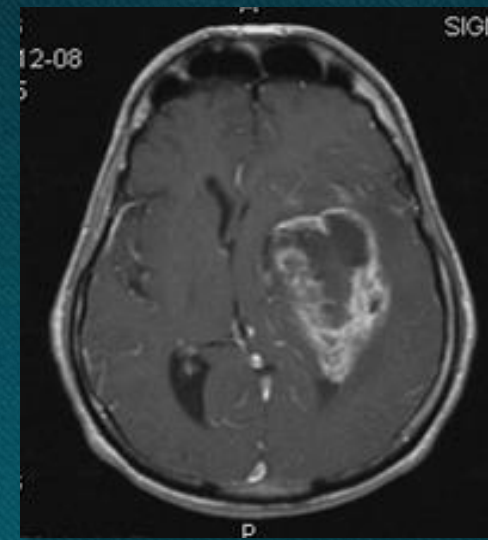
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We are far from done. How do we make the future even better for our patients?

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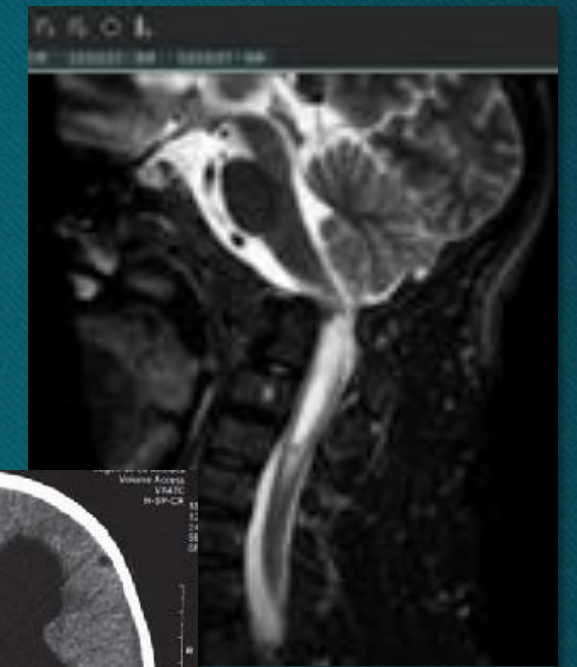
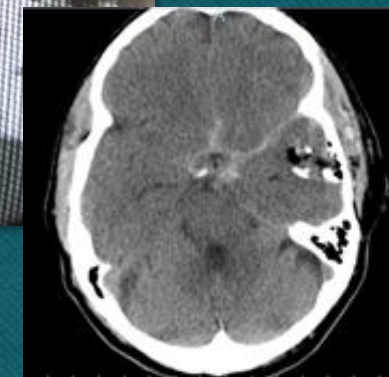
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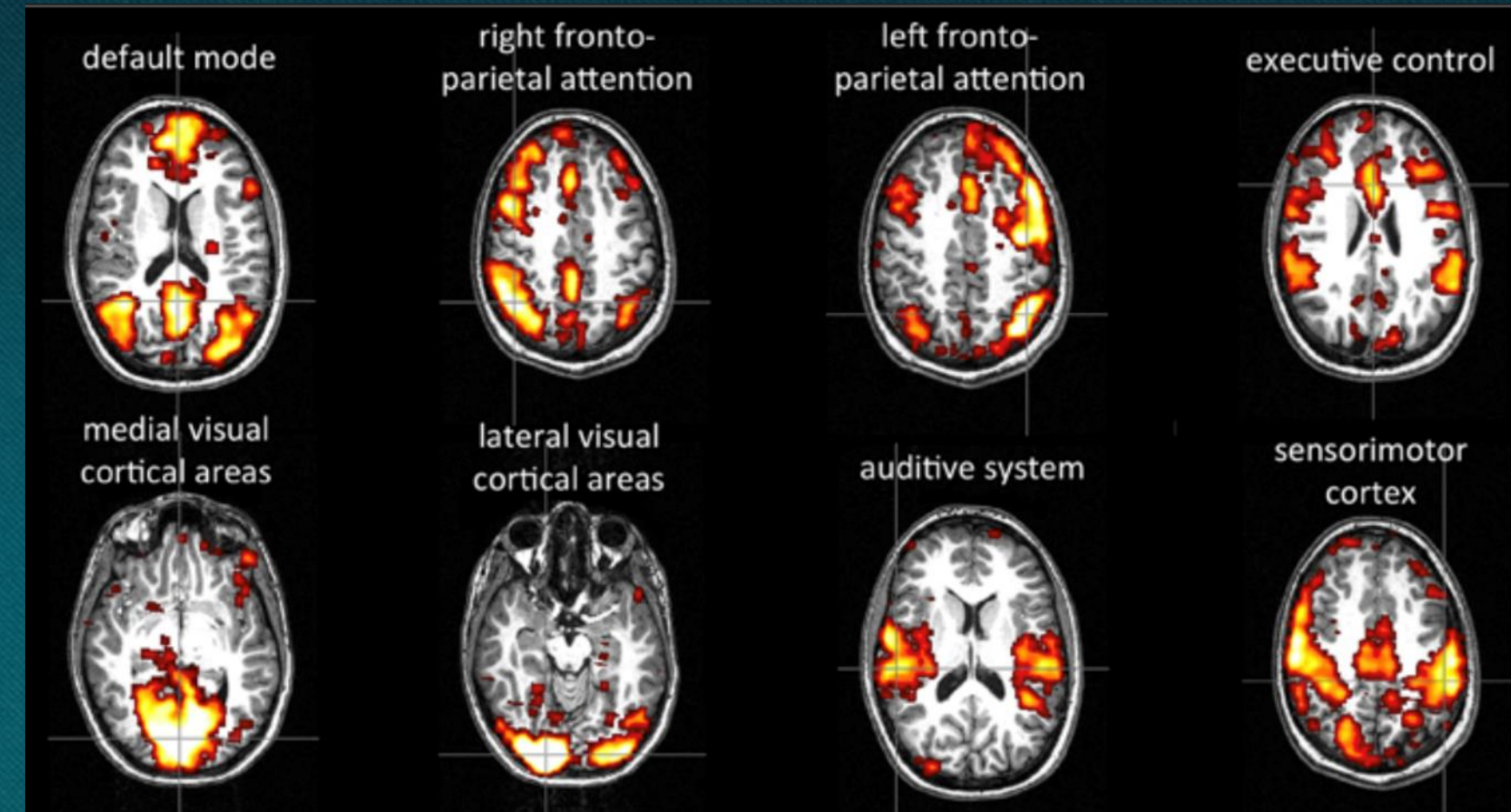
The neuroscience of creativity: How the brains of innovators are wired differently



Rich Haridy | January 17th, 2018



A new study suggests a person's creativity can be identified by examining how connected neural activity in the brain is (Credit: vectorguru/Depositphotos)



Page 1

Robust prediction of individual creative ability from brain functional connectivity

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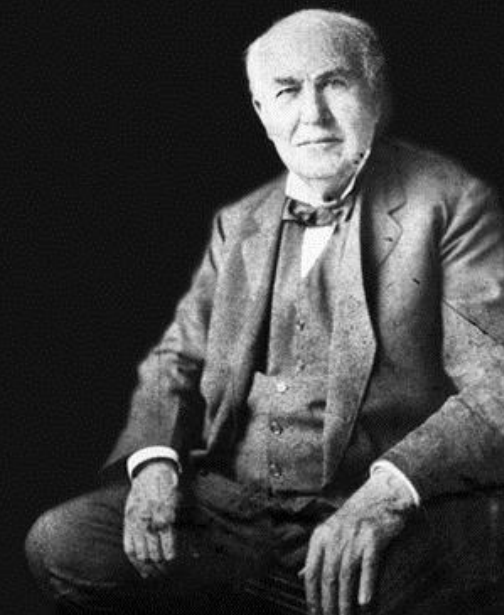
People's ability to think creatively is a primary means of technological and cultural progress, yet the neural architecture of the highly creative brain remains largely undefined. Here, we

across multiple distributed brain regions (i.e., functional connectivity) during various tasks that assess creative cognition and artistic performance, including divergent thinking, figurative



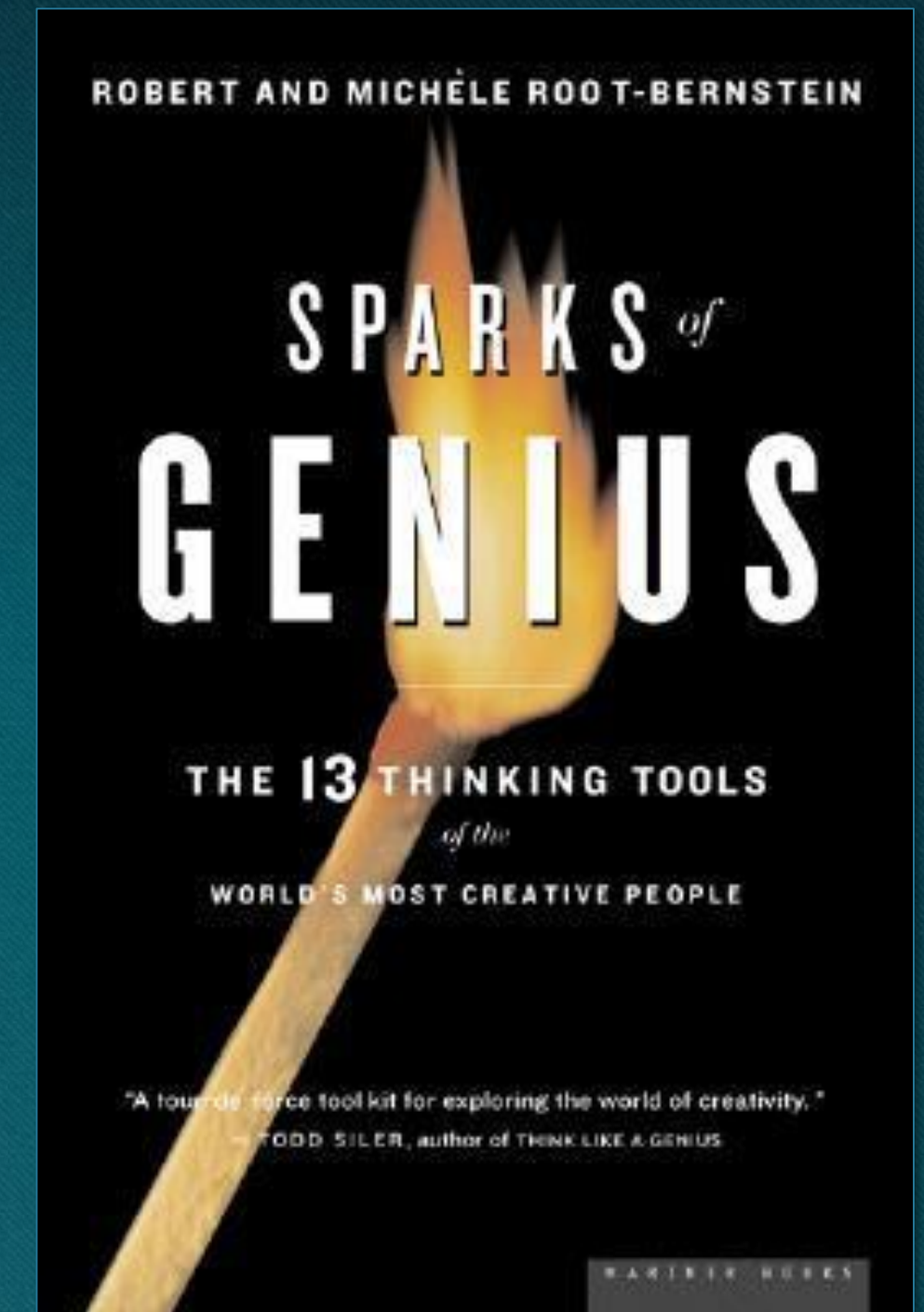
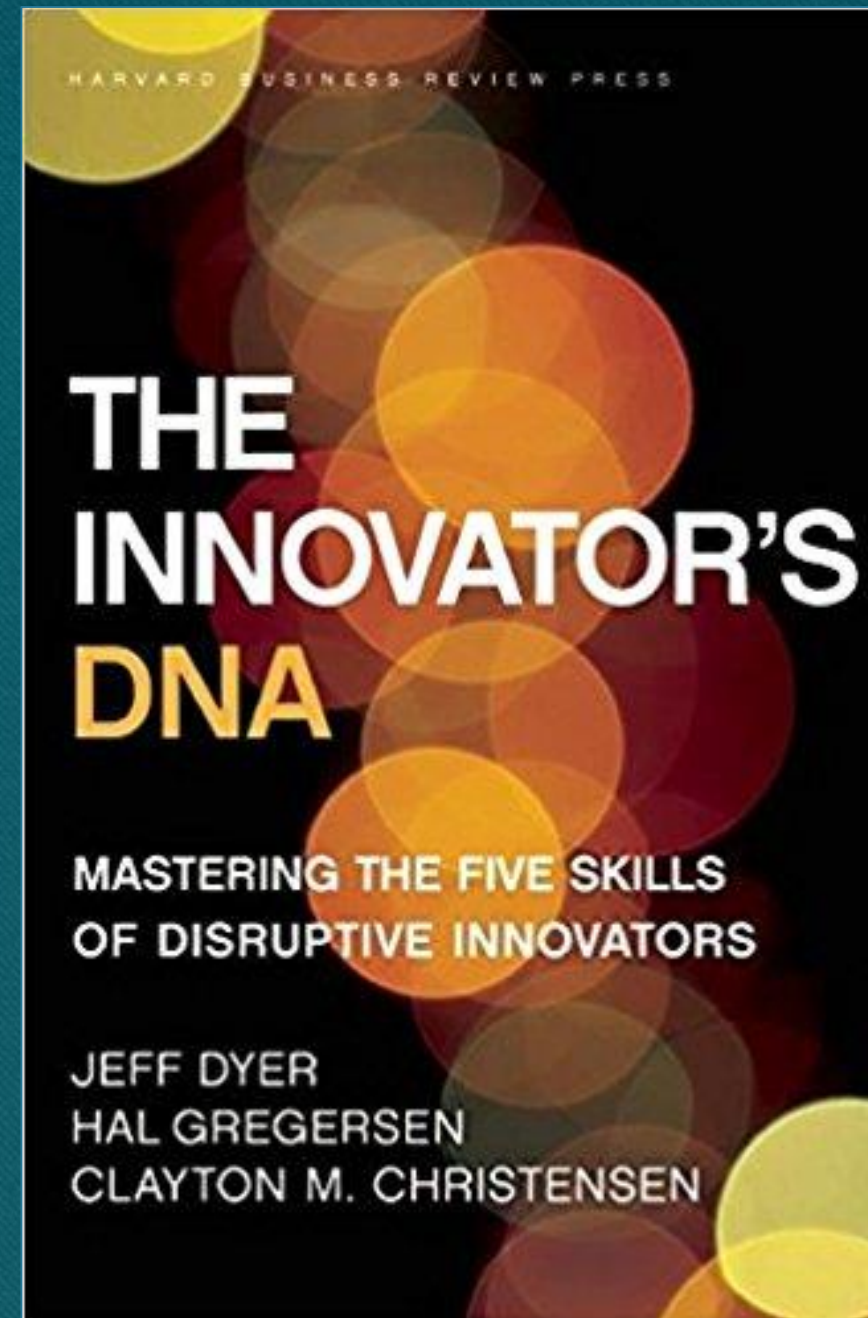
There's a way to do it better - find it.

THOMAS EDISON



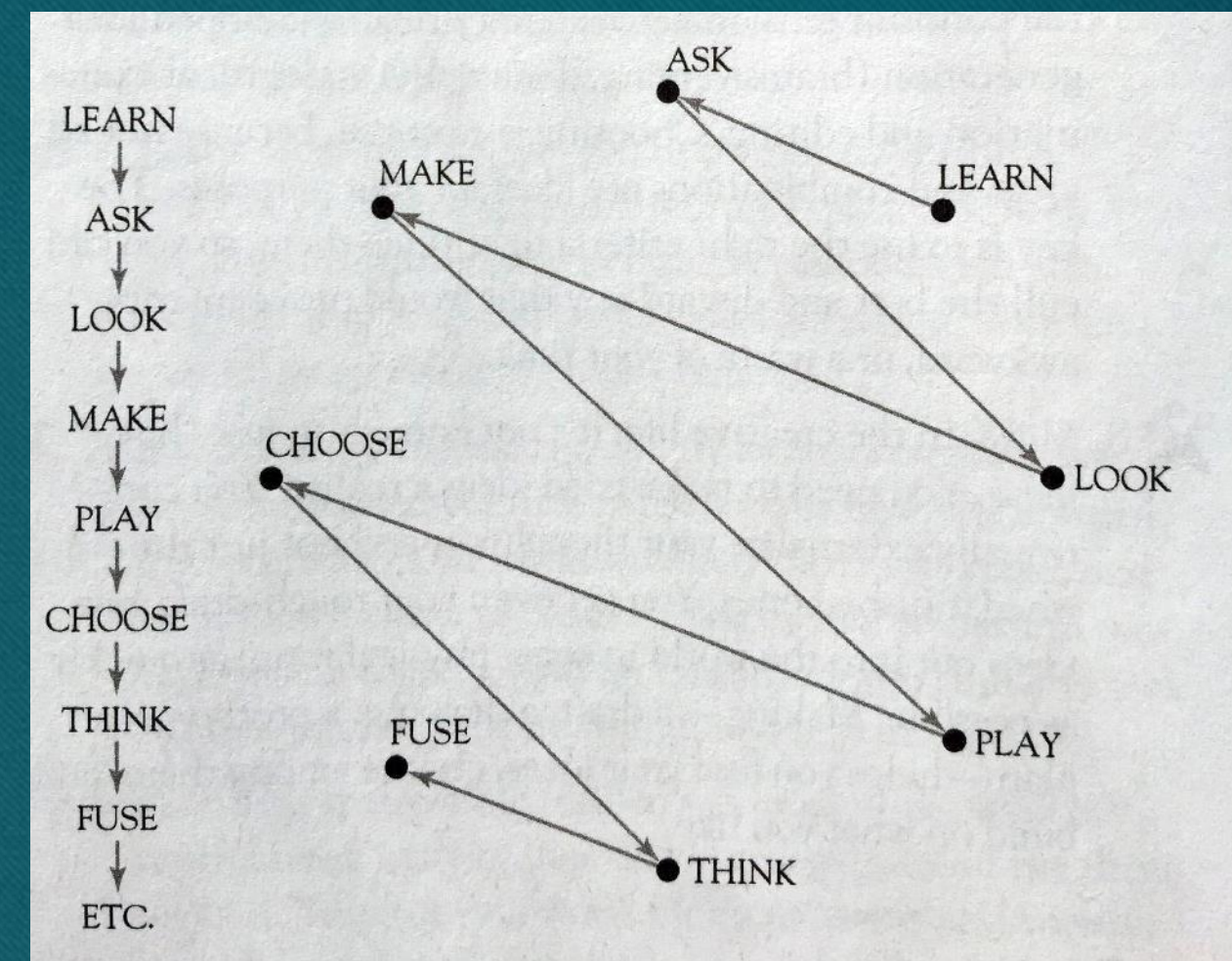
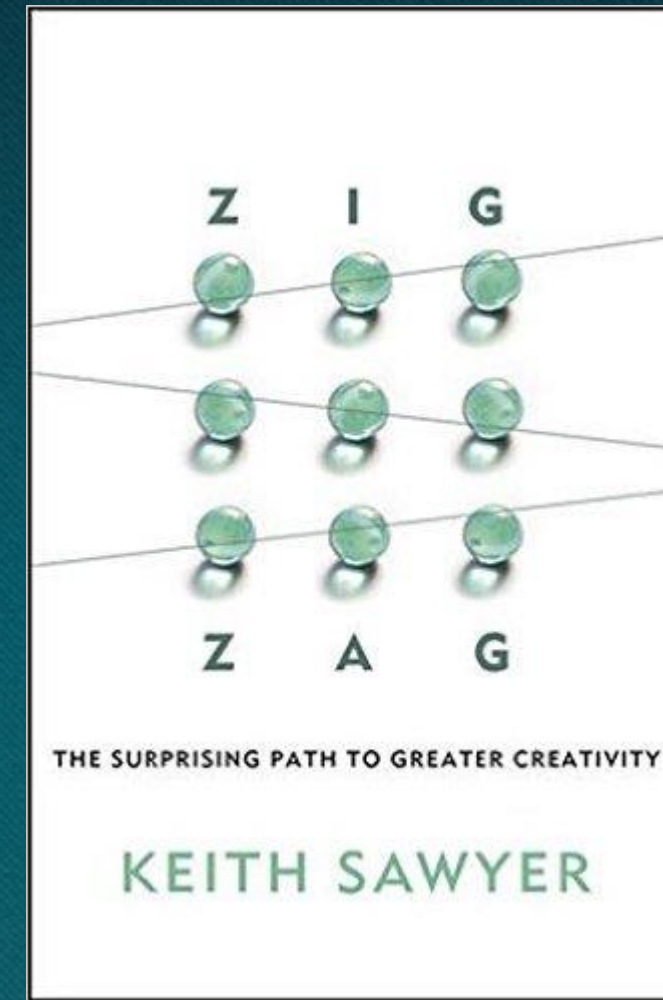
Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.
- Thomas A. Edison

- ▶ Associating
- ▶ Questioning
- ▶ Observing
- ▶ Networking
- ▶ Experimenting
- ▶ Abstracting
- ▶ Pattern recognition

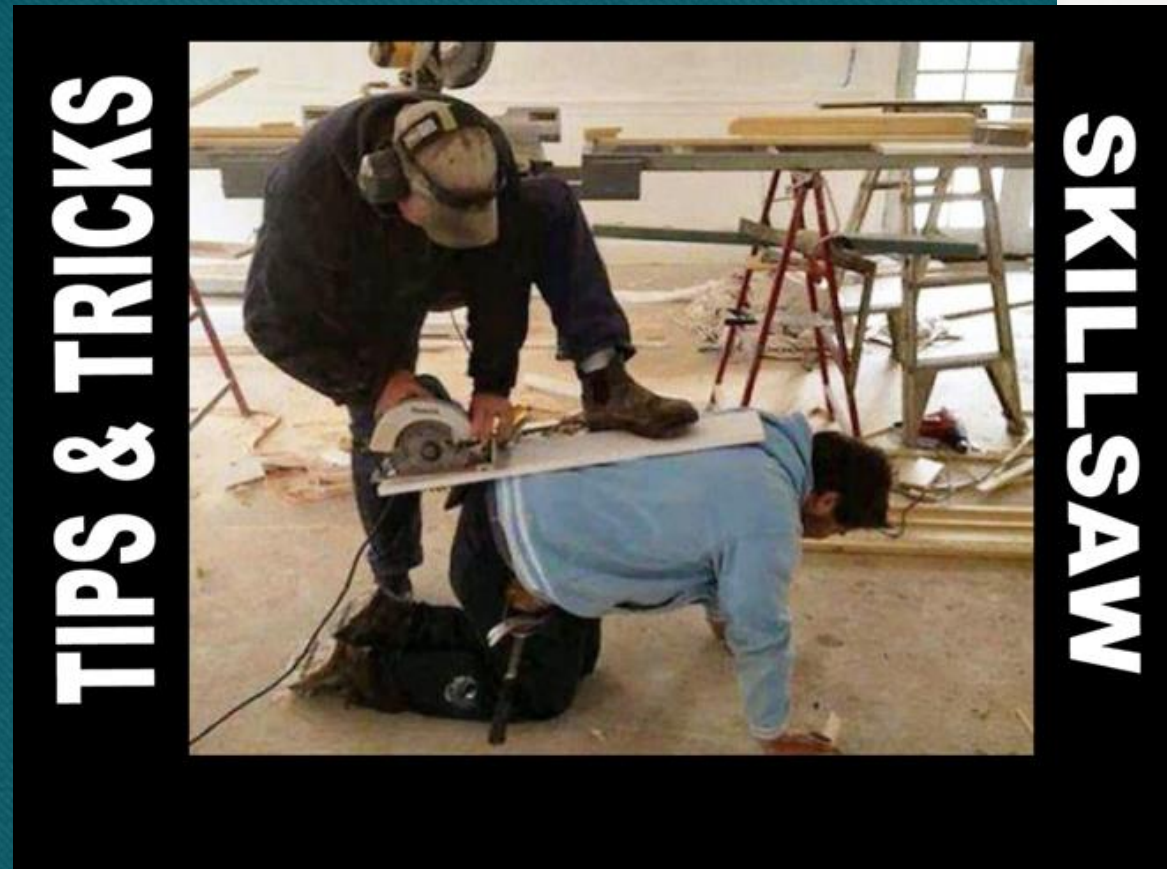
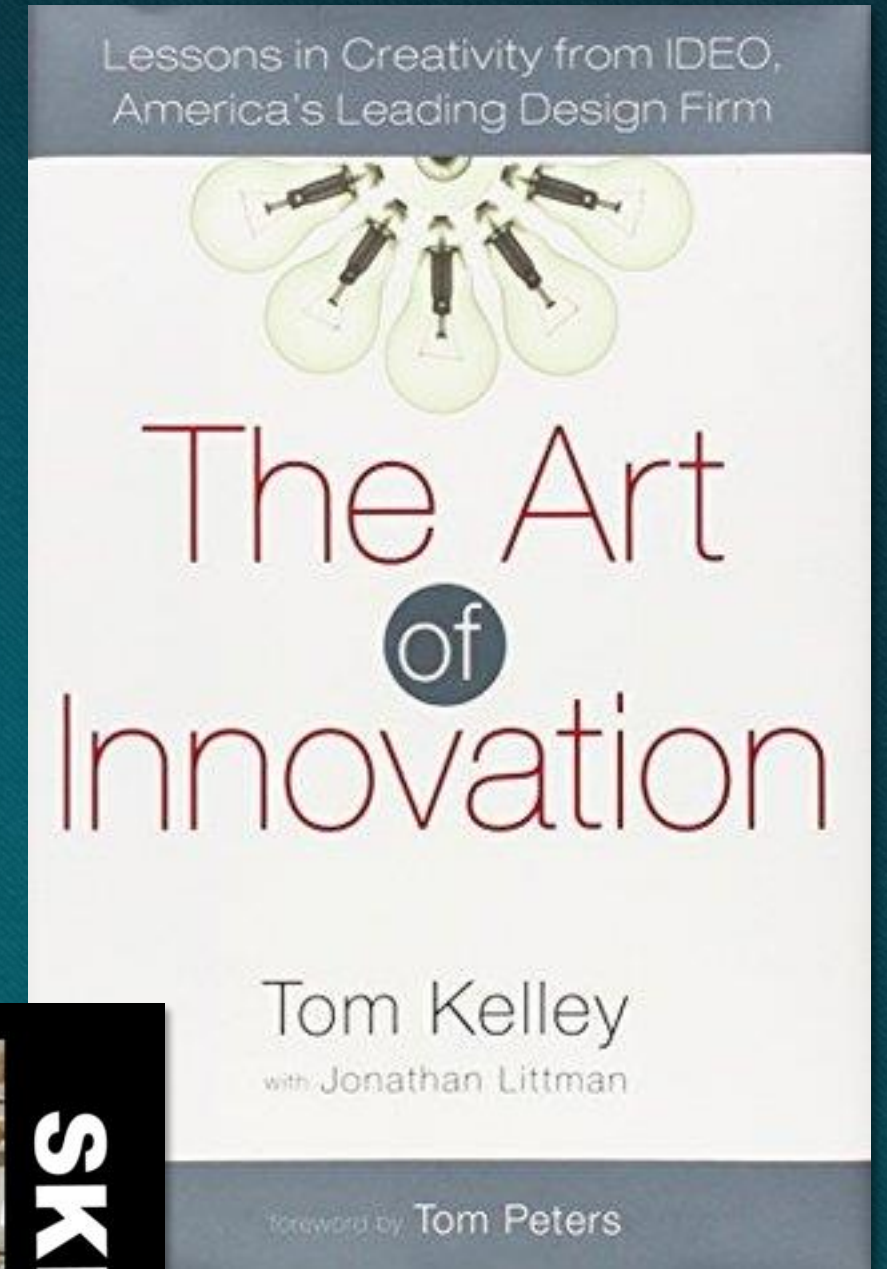


SCAMPER

- S** Substitute
- C** Combine
- A** Adapt
- M** Modify
- P** Put to other uses
- E** Eliminate
- R** Rearrange



- ▶ “Routine is the enemy of innovation”
- ▶ “Fail often to succeed sooner”
does not translate into neurosurgery!



- ▶ Historically the purview of isolated single individuals
- ▶ More recent creation of centers of surgical innovation—combining surgeons, engineers, design teams
- ▶ Five Centers of Surgical Innovation in 2006



REVIEW

Innovation in Surgery
A Historical Perspective

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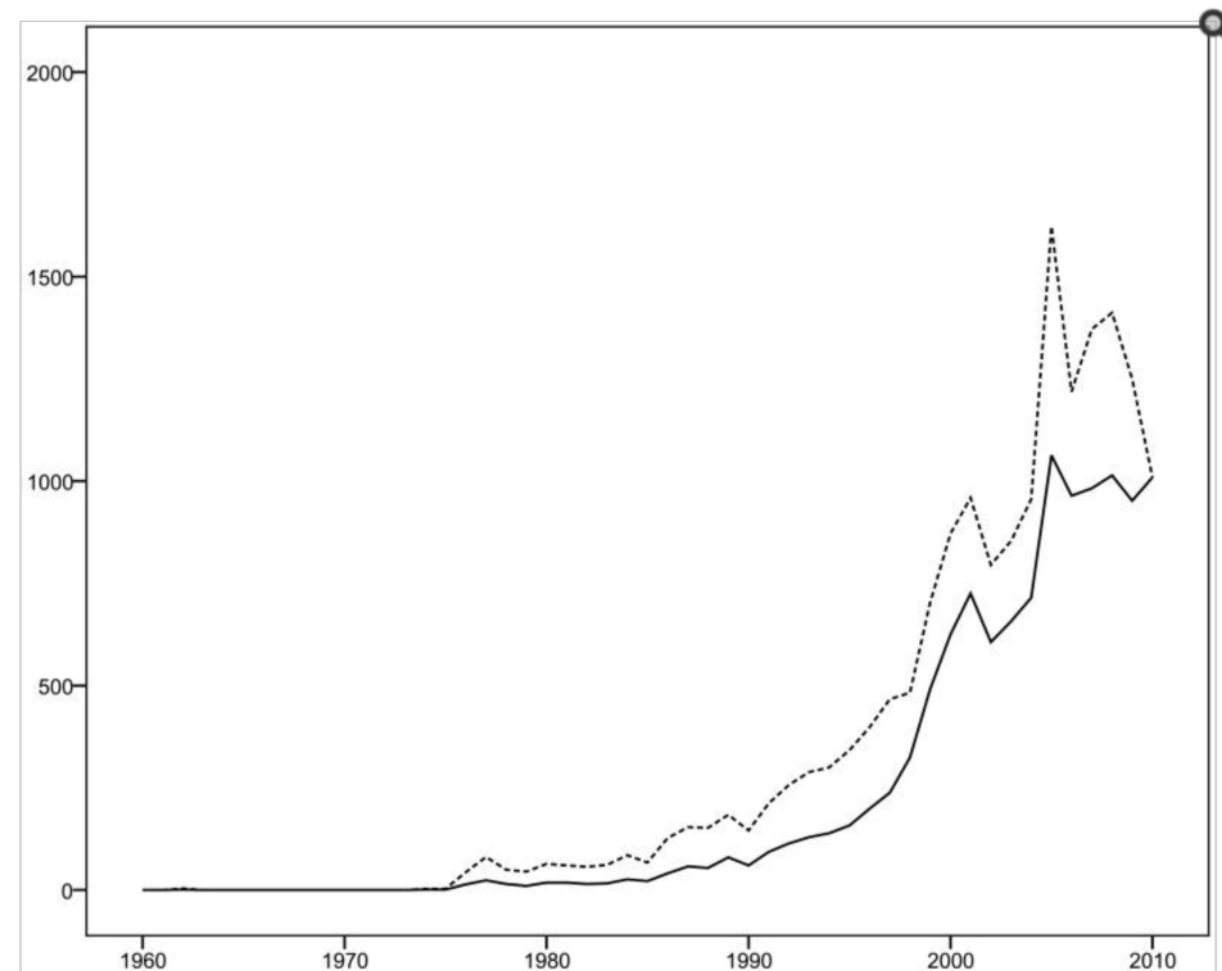
TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION IN NEUROSURGERY: A QUANTITATIVE STUDY

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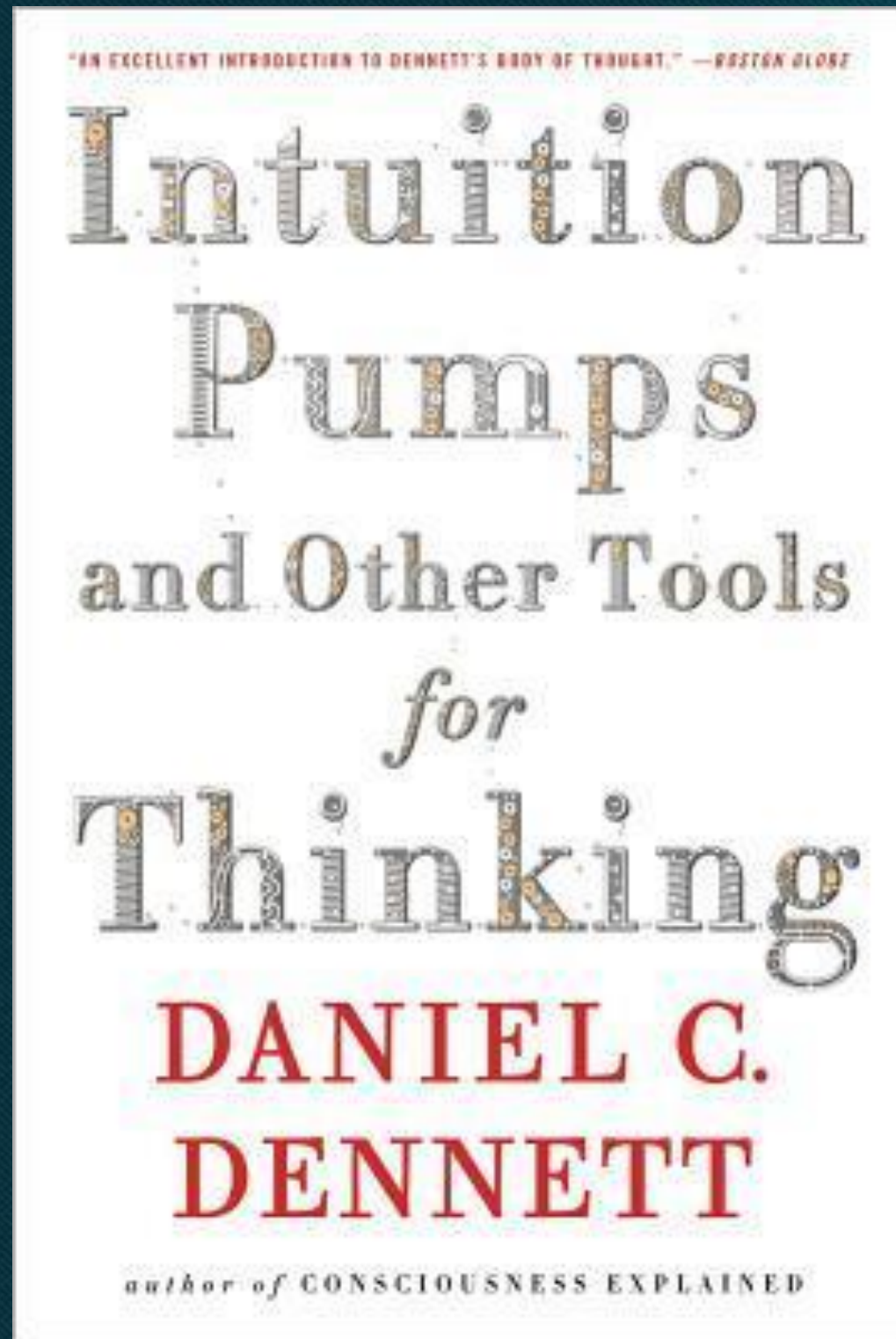
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Figure 1



2005 – 2010			
1	Image Guidance Systems	9	1110 (46.0%)
2	Clinical Neurophysiology Devices, including those measuring Motor Evoked Potentials and Somatosensory Evoked Potentials	5	532 (22.0%)
3	Neuromodulation Devices, including those for Deep Brain Stimulation, Spinal Cord Stimulation, and Peripheral Nerve Stimulation	3	517 (21.4%)
4	Endoscopes	2	152 (6.3%)
5	Operating Microscopes	1	103 (4.3%)
6	Miscellaneous	5	391 (16.2%)

“Intuition is a product of experience. It is the difference between what we know and what we can express.” Gary Kasparov



Jootsing-jumping out of the system. Questioning basic premises.

Re-purposing

Become a connoisseur of your own **mistakes**.

Applying new **technology**

Beware Occam's Broom, the **Beware Occam's Broom**, the misguided cousin of Occam's Razor

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METHODS

Subject. One mature Atlantic Salmon (*Salmo salar*) participated in the fMRI study. The salmon was approximately 18 inches long, weighed 3.8 lbs, and was not alive at the time of scanning.

Task. The task administered to the salmon involved completing an open-ended mentalizing task. The salmon was shown a series of photographs depicting human individuals in social situations with a specified emotional valence. The salmon was asked to determine what emotion the individual in the photo must have been experiencing.

Design. Stimuli were presented in a block design with each photo presented for 10 seconds followed by 12 seconds of rest. A total of 15 photos were displayed. Total scan time was 5.5 minutes.

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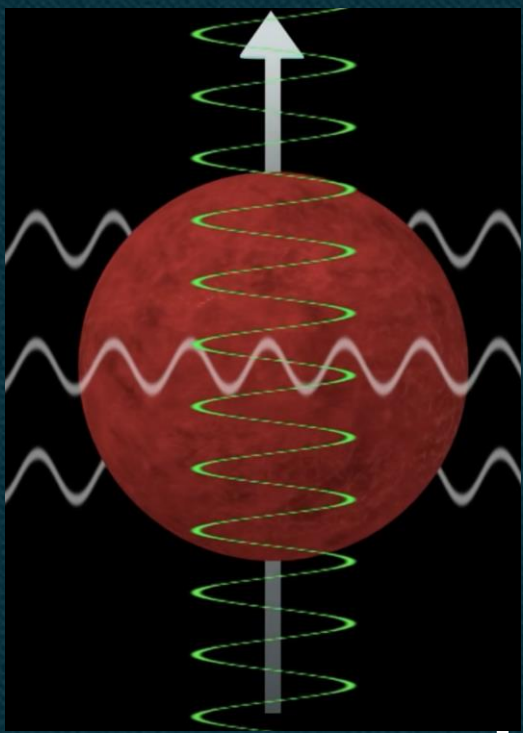
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Small sample sizes reduce the replicability of task-based fMRI studies

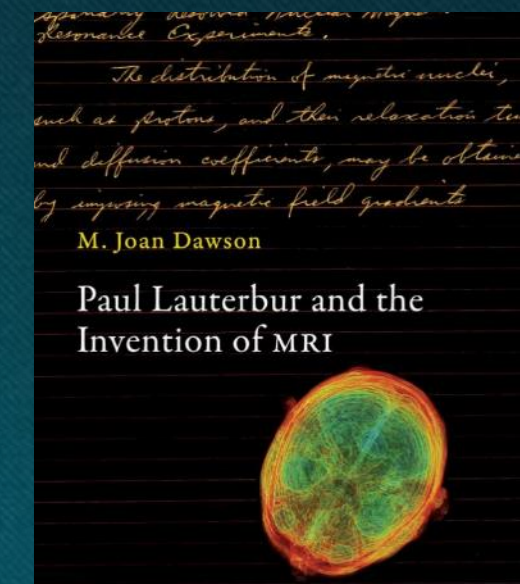
Benjamin O. Turner¹, Erick J. Paul², Michael B. Miller³ & Aron K. Barbey^{4,5,6,7,8,9}

Despite a growing body of research suggesting that task-based functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) studies often suffer from a lack of statistical power due to too-small samples, the proliferation of such underpowered studies continues unabated. Using large independent samples across eleven tasks, we demonstrate the impact of sample size on replicability, assessed at different levels of analysis relevant to fMRI researchers. We find that the degree of replicability for typical sample sizes is modest and that sample sizes much larger than typical (e.g., $N = 100$) produce results that fall well short of perfectly replicable. Thus, our results join the existing line of work advocating for larger sample sizes. Moreover, because we test sample sizes over a fairly large range and use intuitive metrics of replicability, our hope is that our results are more understandable and convincing to researchers who may have found previous results advocating for larger samples inaccessible.

Jootsing



Invention of Zeugmatography (combining RF gradients and magnetic fields)



MRI invention

- Several involved:
 - Raymond Damadian – 1971, idea still very sketchy, no images produced.
 - Paul Lauterbur – 1973-4, mature technique for 2D and 3D imaging. Produced first image of a living mouse.
 - Peter Mansfield - developed a mathematical technique where scans take seconds rather than hours also producing clearer images.
- Nobel prize 2003,
 - Paul Lauterbur
 - Sir Peter Mansfield
 - (Damadian left out, protests of him and colleagues).

From top: Damadian, Lauterbur, Mansfield.

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ADMISSIONS ACADEMICS RESEARCH NEWSROOM DIRECTORY ALUMNI

Lauterbur, Paul C. (1929-2007)

Paul C. Lauterbur, a pioneer in the development of magnetic resonance imaging and a faculty member at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, has been awarded the 2003 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine. He shares the prize with Sir Peter Mansfield of the University of Nottingham in England. Mansfield was a research associate in the department of physics at Illinois from 1962-1964.

They were lauded for "seminal discoveries concerning the use of magnetic resonance to visualize different structures," the Swedish academy that awards the prizes said in its news release from Stockholm. "These discoveries have led to the development of modern magnetic resonance imaging, MRI, which represents a breakthrough in medical diagnostics and research."

The First ~~ZMR~~ NMR Image

Fig. 1 Relationship between a three-dimensional object, its two-dimensional projection along the Y-axis, and four one-dimensional projections at 45° intervals in the XZ-plane. The arrows indicate the gradient directions.

Fig. 2 Proton nuclear magnetic resonance zeugmatogram of the object described in the text, using four relative orientations of object and gradients as diagrammed in Fig. 1.



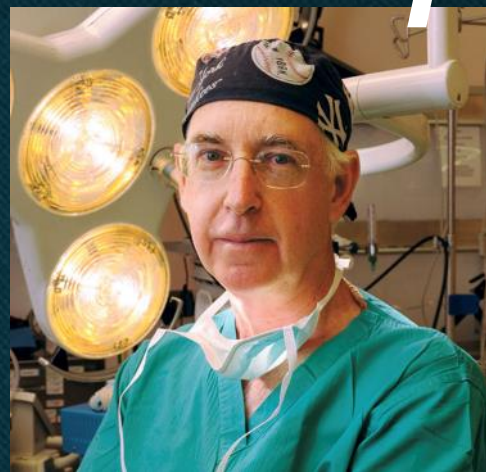
Image Formation by Induced Local Interactions: Examples Employing Nuclear Magnetic Resonance

rather sharp water resonances of organisms, selectively picturing the various soft structures and tissues. A possible application of considerable interest at this time would be to the *in vivo* study of malignant tumours, which have been shown to give proton nuclear magnetic resonance signals with much longer water spin-lattice relaxation times than those in the corresponding normal tissues⁶.

P Lauterbur, Nature, 1973

Applying New Technology

Other early contributors:
 Pat Kelly
 Peter Heilbrun
 Ron Young
 Gene Barnett
 YS Kwon
 Eiju Watanabe



David Roberts, MD



Richard Bucholz, MD

1980

1990

2000

Frameless Stereotaxy of the Brain

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Abstract

Today's neurosurgical journals are replete with advertisements for systems designed to provide image guidance during surgery. These so-called "frameless" stereotactic systems provide the surgeon with navigational information, relative to the lesion, ensures more removal of a lesion. To achieve registration of the patient with an

This review will trace the development of stereotaxy to its current use as a technique and available system for surgical navigation. Finally, some **Key Words:** Computer-assisted

United States Patent	4,722,056
Roberts, et al.	January 26, 1988
Reference display systems for superimposing a tomographic image onto the focal plane of an operating microscope	
Abstract	
A reference display system that receives information from an imaging system (e.g., a CT scanner or the like), that extracts or derives three-dimensional anatomical and/or pathological information about a part of a body (e.g., the brain or other organ) of a patient. The information is digitized in the imaging system and is introduced to a computer that is programmed to reformat the digitized information to provide as output electric signal representative of the digitized information. An optical display system (e.g., a cathode ray tube, CRT, and related circuitry) is connected to receive the output of the computer and is operable to present the reformatted information at a determined plane during an operative procedure. An operating microscope is freely located in the operative location relative to the patient during the operative procedure, the focal plane of the microscope establishing the determined plane. A way is provided to establish the spatial relationship among the imaging system, the patient, and the focal plane of the microscope; and a mechanism is provided to project the reformatted imaging system information into the optics and onto the focal plane of the operating microscope during the operative procedure, the reformatted image being displayed as an overlay upon the optical image of the body part on which the operation is being performed.	
Inventors:	Roberts; David W. (Hanover, NH); Stroehlein; John W. (Norwich, VT); Hatch; John F. (Shrewsbury, MA)
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Patents:

"System for Indicating the Position of a Surgical Probe within a Head on an Image of the Head."
 U.S. patent #5,383,454, January 1995.

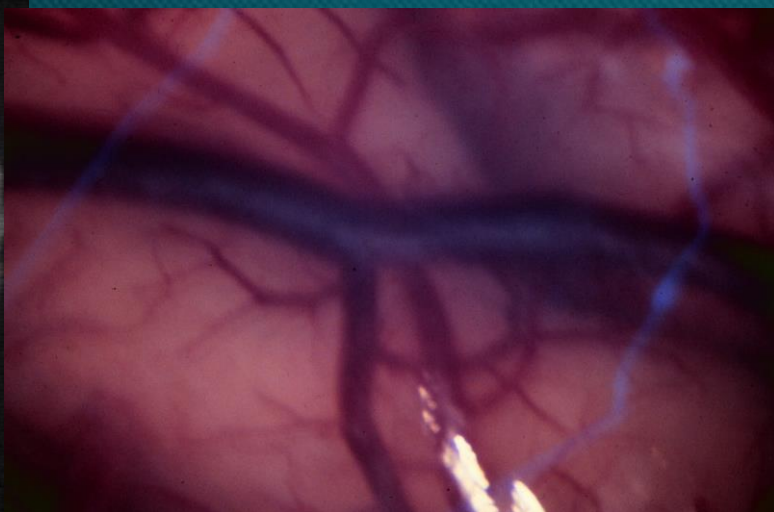
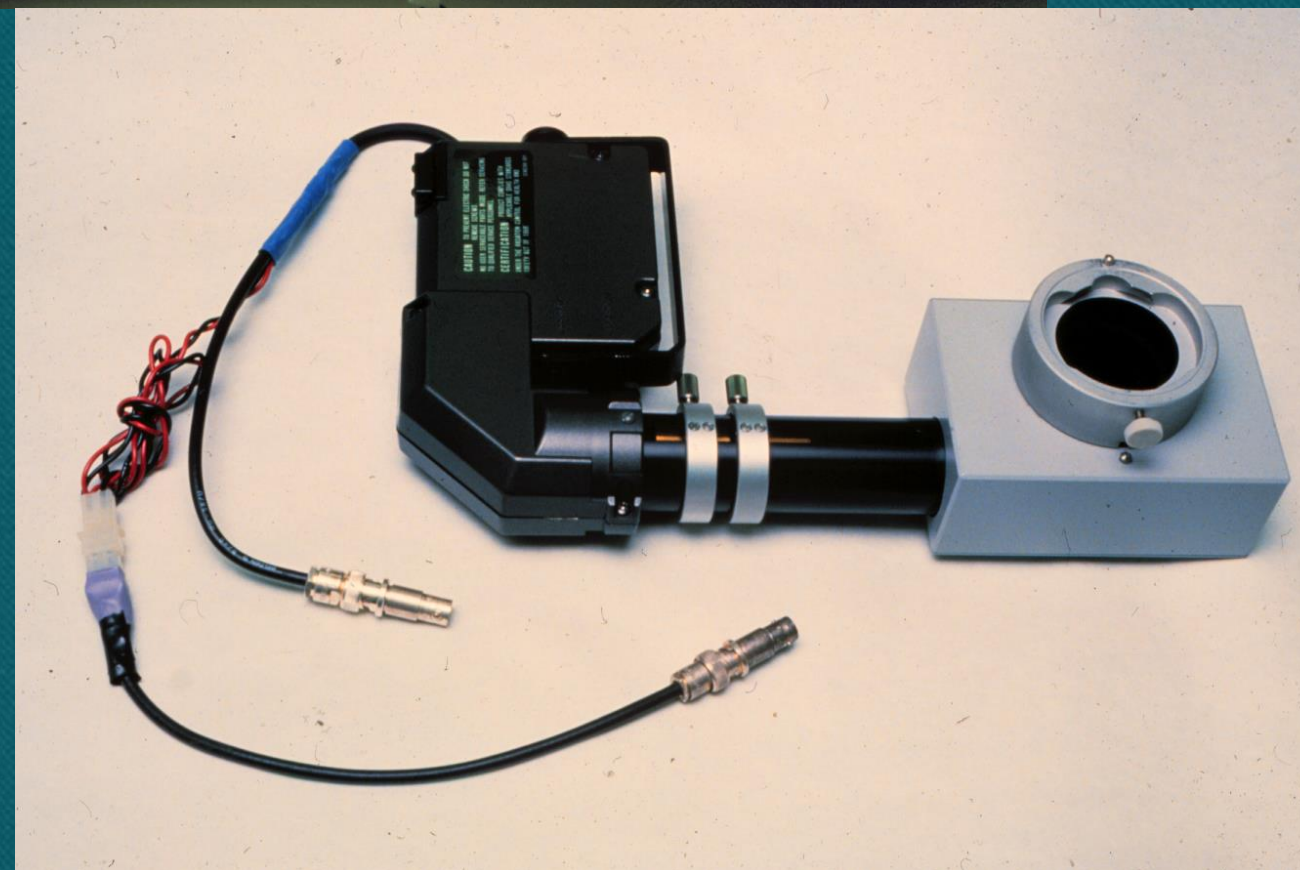
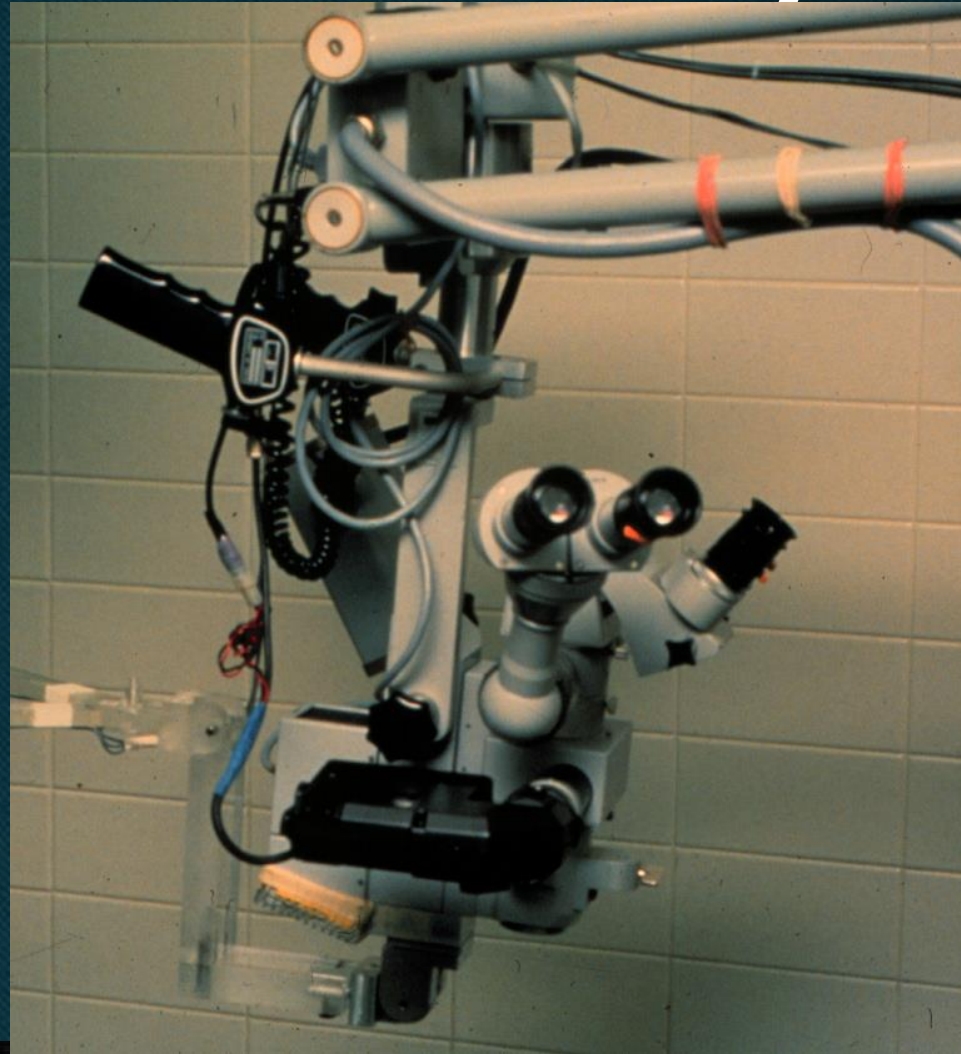
"Ventriculostomy Probe." U.S. patent #387,429, December 1997.

"System for Indicating the Position of a Surgical Probe within a Head on an Image of the Head."
 U.S. patent #5,851,183, December 1998.

"System for Indicating the Position of a Surgical Probe within a Head on an Image of the Head."
 U.S. patent #5,871,445, February 1999.

"System for Indicating the Position of a Surgical Probe within a Head on an Image of the Head."
 U.S. patent #5,891,034, April 1999.

Early Frameless Stereotaxy



Repurposing: Intrathecal Drug Delivery

500,000 patients with severe spasticity

Implanted pump
for morphine

Orphan drug
award



Richard D. Penn, MD

1980

1990

2000

Baclofen

FDA
approval

60,000

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INTRATHECAL BACLOFEN FOR SEVERE SPINAL SPASTICITY

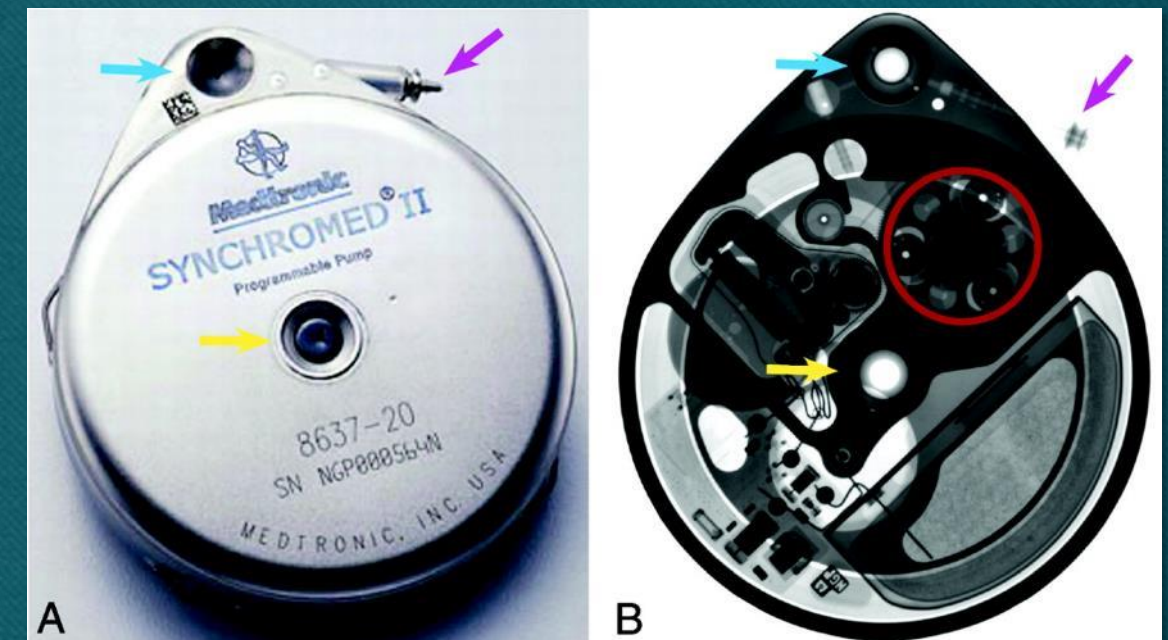
RICHARD D. PENN, M.D., SUZANNE M. SAVOY, M.N.S., DANIEL CORCOS, PH.D., MARK LATASH, M.S., GERALD GOTTLIEB, PH.D., BARBARA PARKE, M.D., AND JEFFREY S. KROIN, PH.D.

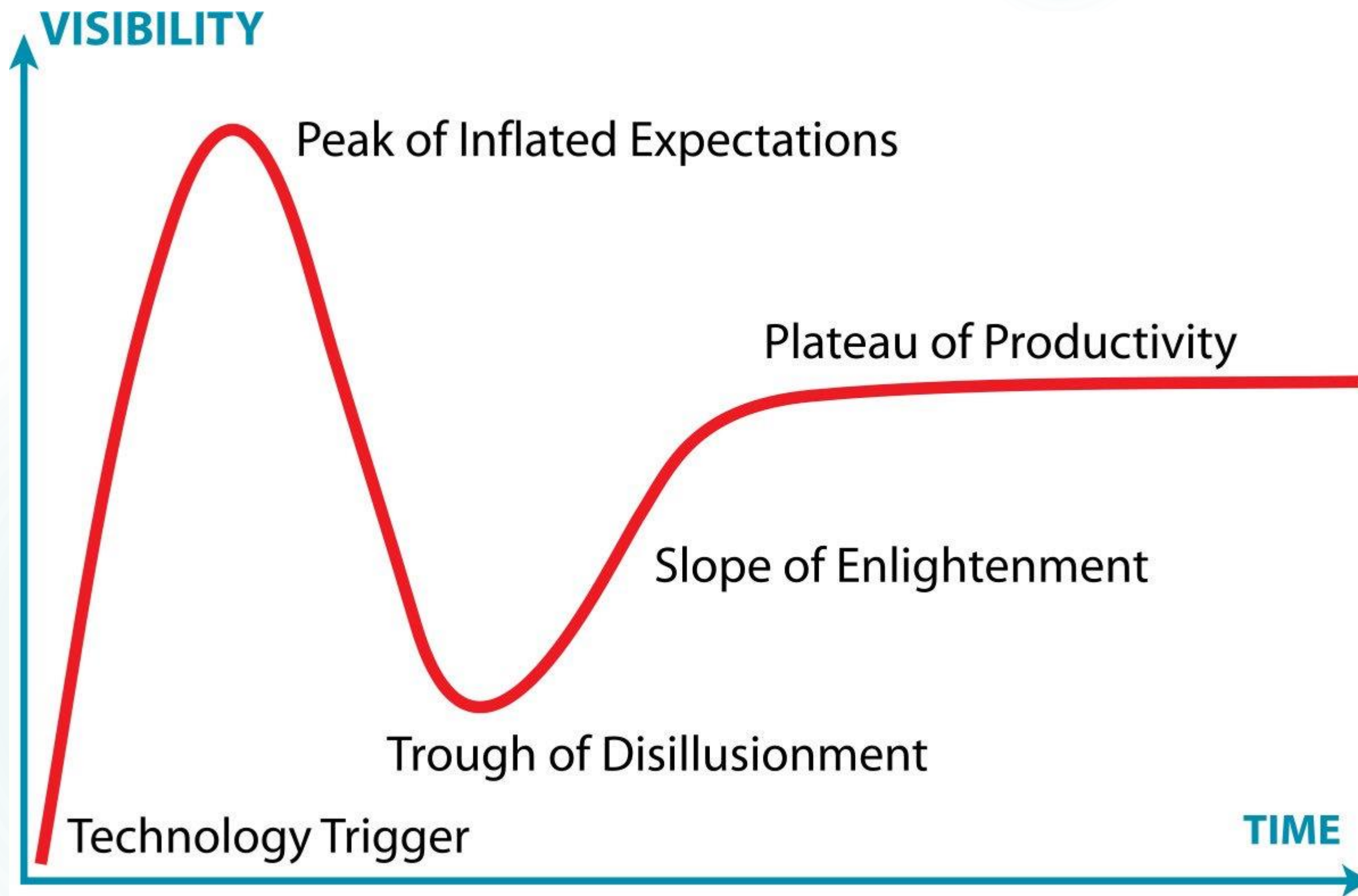
Abstract We studied the effect of the intrathecal infusion of baclofen, an agonist of gamma-aminobutyric acid, on abnormal muscle tone and spasms associated with spinal spasticity, in a randomized double-blind crossover study. Twenty patients with spinal spasticity caused by multiple sclerosis or spinal-cord injury who had had no response to treatment with oral baclofen received an intrathecal infusion of baclofen or saline for three days. The infusions were administered by means of a programmable pump implanted in the lumbar subarachnoid space.

Muscle tone decreased in all 20 patients (mean [±SD] Ashworth score for rigidity, from 4.0±1.0 to 1.2±0.4; P<0.0001), and spasms were decreased in 18 of the 19 patients who had spasms (mean [±SD] score for spasm frequency, from 3.3±1.2 to 0.4±0.8; P<0.0005). Tests for motor function, neurologic examination, and assessments by the patients correctly indicated when baclofen was being infused in all cases.

All patients were then entered in an open long-term trial of continuous infusion of intrathecal baclofen. During a mean follow-up period of 19.2 months (range, 10 to 33), muscle tone has been maintained within the normal range (mean Ashworth score, 1.0±0.1) and spasms have been reduced to a level that does not interfere with activities of daily living (mean spasm score, 0.3±0.6). No drowsiness or confusion occurred, one pump failed, and two catheters became dislodged and had to be replaced. No infections were observed.

Our observations suggest that intrathecal baclofen is an effective long-term treatment for spinal spasticity that has not responded to oral baclofen. (N Engl J Med 1989; 320:1517-21.)





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Repurposing Neuropace

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Chronic unlimited recording electrocorticography–guided resective epilepsy surgery: technology-enabled enhanced fidelity in seizure focus localization with improved surgical efficacy

Clinical article

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Object. Epilepsy surgery is at the cusp of a transformation due to the convergence of advancements in multiple technologies. Emerging neuromodulatory therapies offer the promise of functionally correcting neural instability and... Chronic implanted neurological monitoring tech...

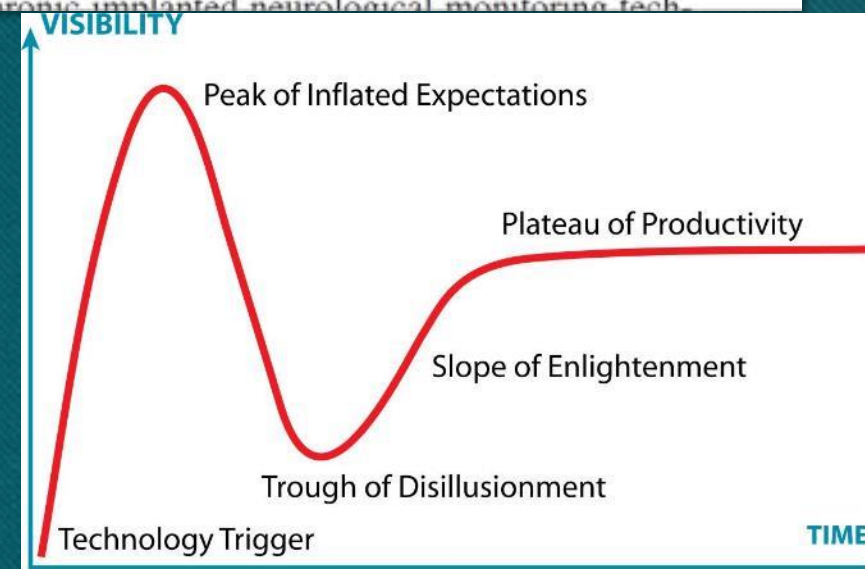
PROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION

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Aug. 9, 2004 — CHICAGO -- Neurosurgeons at Rush University Medical Center are the first in Chicago to implant a new investigational neurostimulator in a patient with medically refractory epilepsy. The neurostimulator may be able to suppress seizures in patients with epilepsy before any symptoms appear, much like the commonly implanted heart pacemakers which stop heart arrhythmias before any symptoms occur.

Dr. Richard W. Byrne, neurosurgeon at Rush and member of the Chicago Institute of Neurosurgery and Neuroresearch Medical Group (CINN), performed the first implant on Tuesday, June 29, on an Indiana man unlikely to benefit from surgical resection.

Byrne says this is the "Holy Grail" in epilepsy surgery and the most exciting thing he's seen. "This device might help epilepsy patients who do not respond to current medical treatment, testing an

entirely new concept in treating medically refractory epilepsy."

"Our first implanted patient has two distinct epileptic foci, one on each side of the brain, producing two different seizures so traditional surgical resection was not an option," said neurologist Dr. Michael C. Smith, the patient's physician and co-principal

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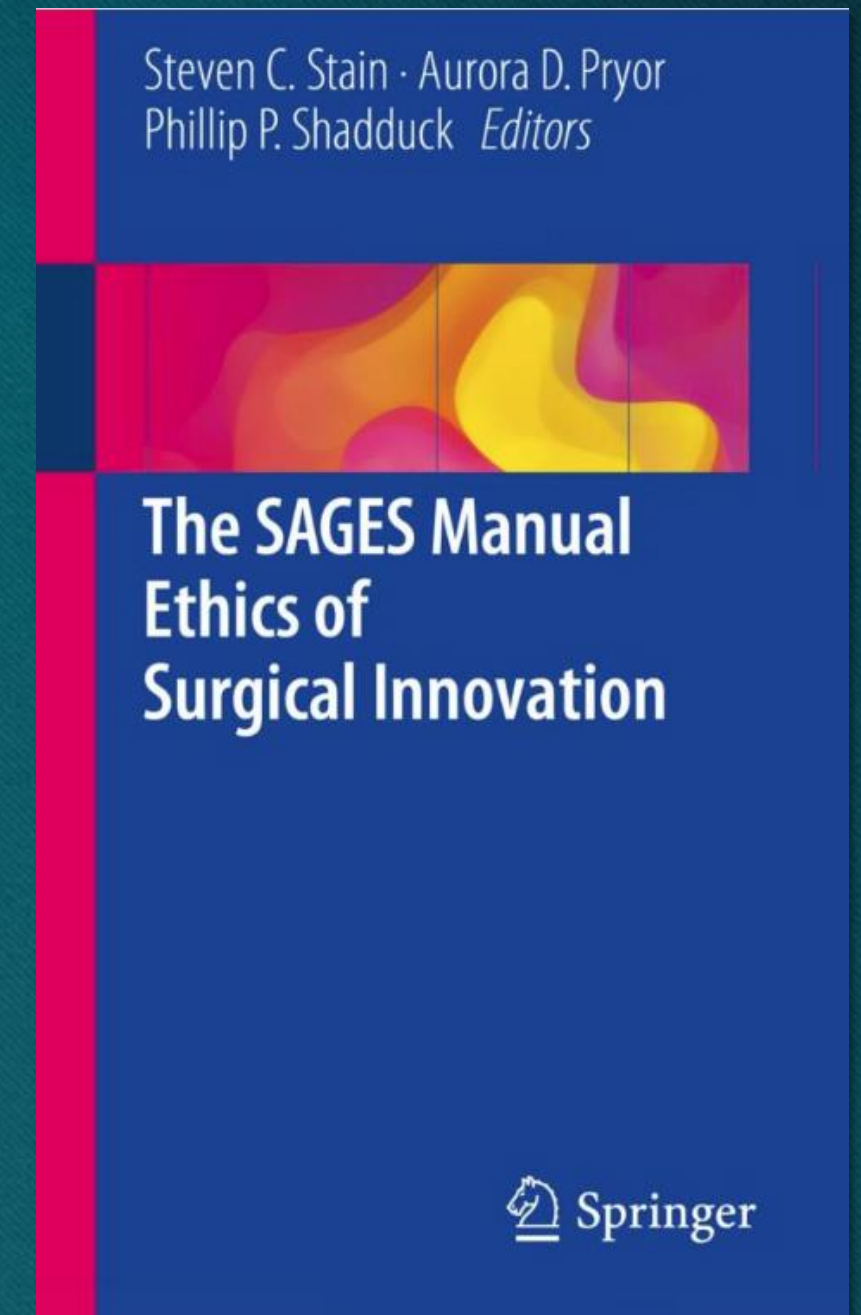
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The FDA approval process for medical devices: an inherently flawed system or a valuable pathway for innovation?

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INTRODUCTION

Medical devices, developed through physician and industry partnerships, have innovation is monumental for those invested in advancing medicine through cutting edge technologies. Recently, there

for new devices. Finally, we will review possible alternative pathways towards improving the safety and effectiveness of new devices through regulation that both encourages innovation among clinicians and industry and monitors new devices after their release.

RECENT DEVICE FAILURES

Adoption of new technologies is not without risk. While initial experience may demonstrate benefit, further experience, longitudinal measures may detect design or manufacturing flaws that were not immediately evident. The most prominent of such devices is the ASR XL Acetabular System (DePuy, Johnson & Johnson, Warsaw, Indiana, USA), which was approved for use by the FDA through 510(k) clearance (described



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EDITORIAL

Medical Device Innovation in the United States

Why Are We Falling Behind?

Gunnar B.J. Andersson, MD, PhD

Many US citizens feel that patients deserve a pathway that enables cutting-edge treatment options in the era of modern healthcare. Historically, the United States has led the world in medical device innovation¹ and millions of patients have benefited from these

Contrastingly, start-up device companies operate on limited capital and often rely on the success of a single device or technology to become successful.³ Of more than 5000 device manufacturers in the United States, about 75% have fewer than 20 employees. Small device companies have

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Millenials in Neurosurgery: Is there Hope?

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Perhaps nothing makes established medicine groan and hang their collective heads in disapproval like bringing up the subject of millennials. Neurosurgery is no exception. However, millennials are here to stay; as the future generation with numbers greater than the baby boomers, they will greatly

11 that occurred for them between 10 and 20 yr of age, increased media coverage of school mass shootings, the Great Recession, high levels of unemployment among young people, stock market crash, foreclosure crisis, rise of social media, and full integration of technology into daily life. In addition, parents of middle class

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Hesiod, 8th Century BC

"I see no hope for the future of our people if they are dependent on frivolous youth of today, for certainly all youth are reckless beyond words. When I was young, we were taught to be discreet and respectful of elders, but the present youth are exceedingly disrespectful and impatient of restraint."

Assyrian Clay Tablet, 2800 BC

"Our Earth is degenerate in these later days; there are signs that the world is speedily coming to an end; bribery and corruption are common; children no longer obey their parents; every man wants to write a book and the end of the world is evidently approaching."

Seneca, 1st Century AD

"Our young men have grown slothful. There is not a single honorable occupation for which they will toil night and day. They sing and dance and grown effeminate and curl their hair and learn womanish tricks of speech; they are as languid as women and deck themselves out with unbecoming ornaments. Without strength, without energy, they add nothing during life to the gifts with which they were born – then they complain of their lot."

Socrates, 5th century BC

"The children now love luxury. They have bad manners, contempt for authority; they show disrespect for elders and love to chatter in place of exercise."

3,000,000 BC

Complaint of an australopithecine father:
Kids today! All they wanna do is walk erect.

Edward Chilton.

Burnout and Satisfaction With Work-Life Balance Among US Physicians Relative to the General US Population

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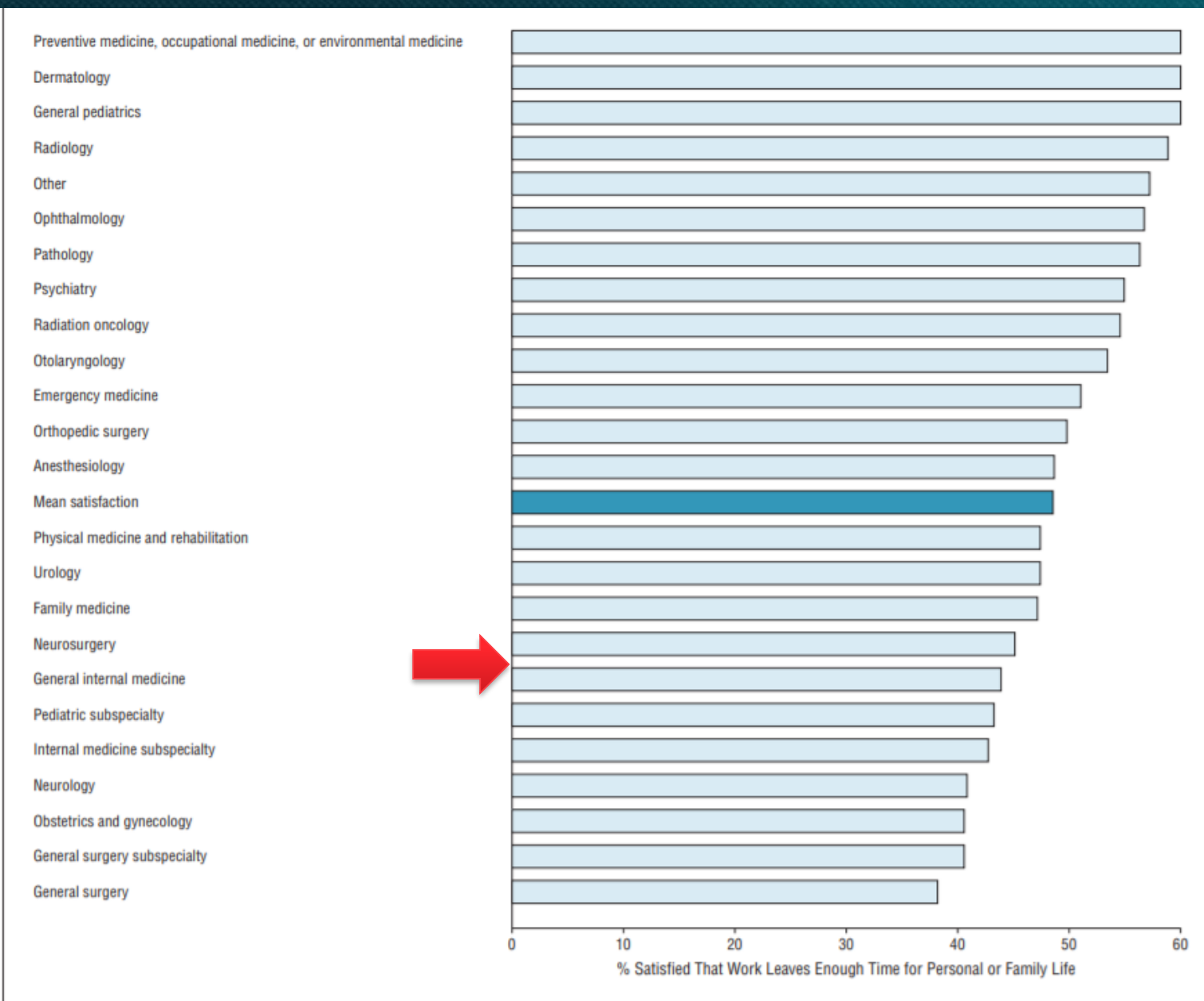


Figure 2. Satisfaction with work-life balance by specialty.

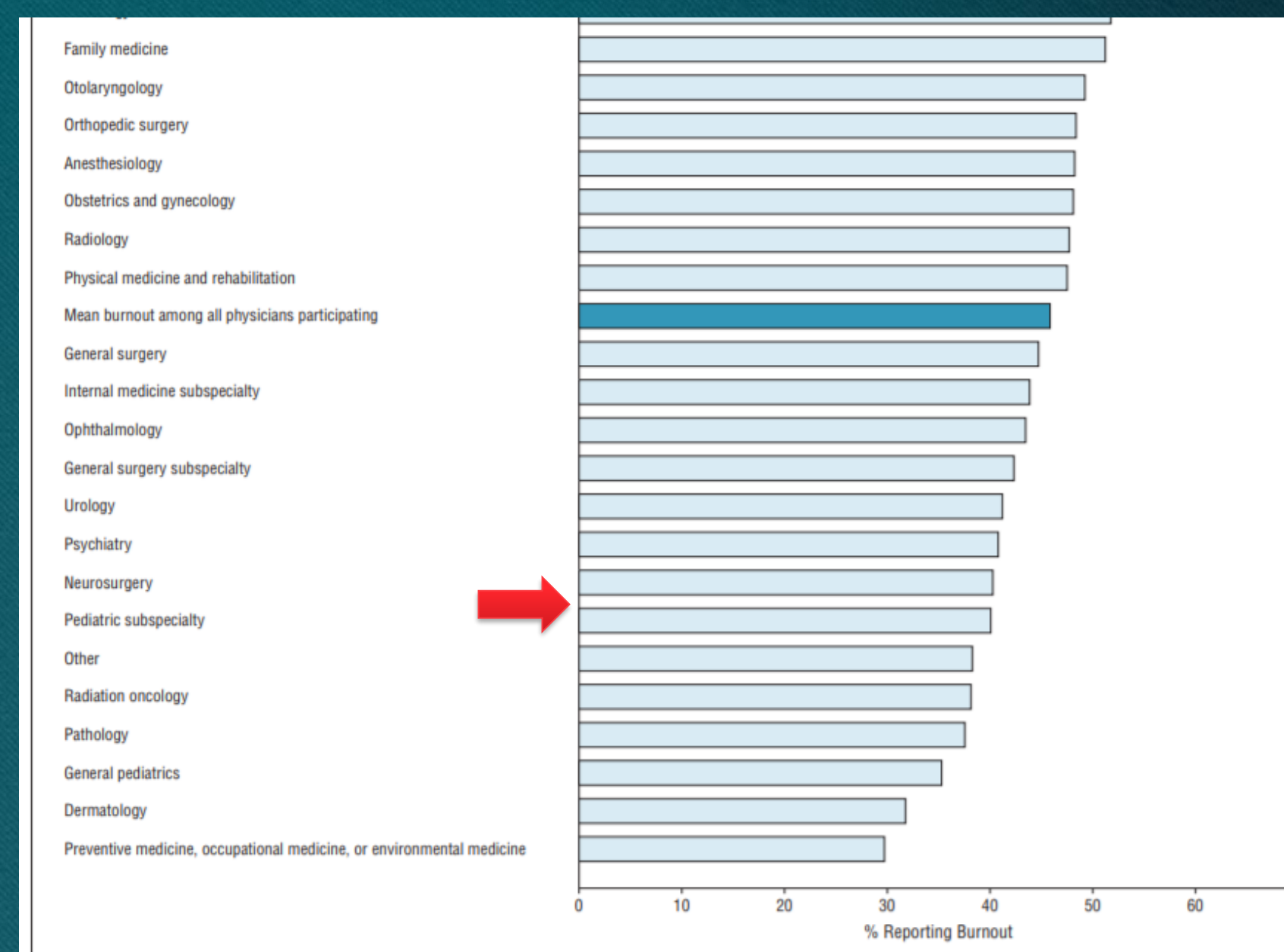


Figure 1. Burnout by specialty.



“ *Passing neurosurgery from
one generation to the next is
the highest calling you have.* ”

*Thomas J Nasca, MD
CEO, ACGME*



Active learning increases student performance in science, engineering, and mathematics

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To test the hypothesis that lecturing maximizes learning and course performance, we metaanalyzed 225 studies that reported 225 studies in the published and unpublished literature. The active learning interventions varied widely in intensity and implementa-

I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand.

Confucius

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Assessment of the Interrater Reliability of the Congress of Neurological Surgeons Microanastomosis Assessment Scale

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Neuro-Critical Care Skills Training Using a Human Patient Simulator

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HISTORY AND DEVELOPING SIMULATION IN MEDICINE

Model-Based Simulation for Early Neurosurgical Learners

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BACKGROUND: Restrictions on duty hours and shift length by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and public pressure to reduce complications and to improve outcomes in the clinical educational environment have enhanced interest in the use of procedural and surgical simulation to train neurosurgical residents. **OBJECTIVE:** To introduce simple, available, and, when possible, inexpensive model-based simulation for early learners into the initial stages of neurosurgical residency training.

Practice on an Augmented Reality/Haptic Simulator and Library of Virtual Brains Improves Residents' Ability to Perform a Ventriculostomy

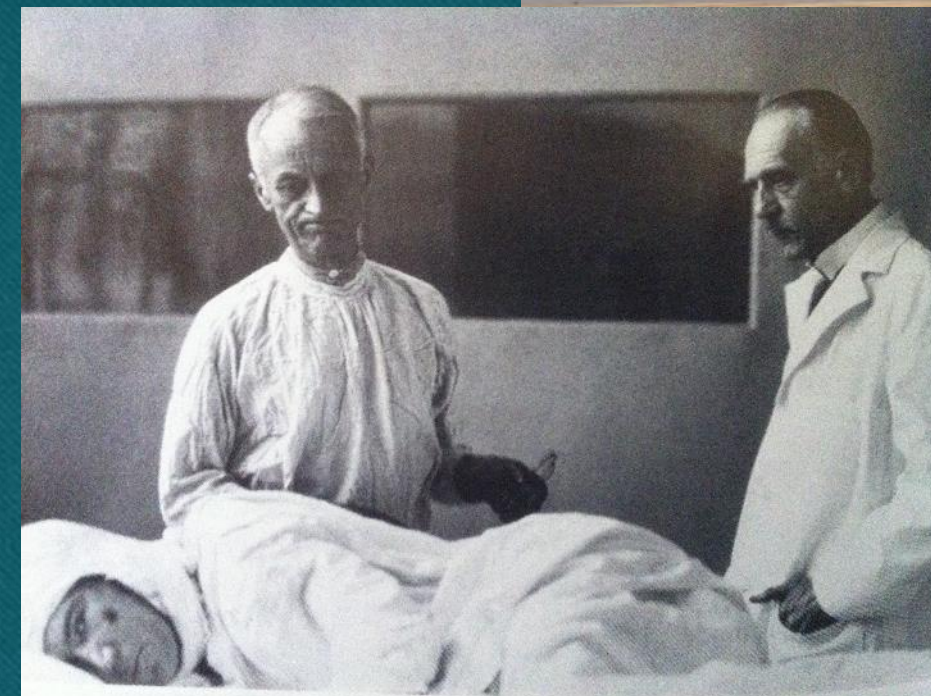
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Introduction: Ventriculostomy is a neurosurgical procedure for providing therapeutic cerebrospinal fluid drainage. Complications may arise during repeated attempts at placing the catheter in the ventricle. We studied the impact of simulation-based practice with a library of virtual brains on neurosurgery residents' performance in simulated and live surgical ventriculostomies. **Methods:** Using computed tomographic scans of actual patients, we developed a library of 15 virtual brains for the ImmersiveTouch system, a head- and hand-tracked augmented reality and haptic simulator. The virtual brains represent a range of anatomies including normal, shifted, and compressed ventricles. Neurosurgery residents participated in individual simulator practice on the library of brains including visualizing the 3-dimensional location of the catheter within the brain immediately after each insertion. Performance of participants on novel brains in the simulator and during actual surgery before and after intervention was analyzed using generalized linear mixed models. **Results:** Simulator cannulation success rates increased after intervention, and live procedure outcomes showed improvement in the rate of successful cannulation on the first pass. However, the incidence of deeper, contralateral (simulator) and third-ventricle (live) placements increased after intervention. Residents reported that simulations were realistic and helpful in improving procedural skills such as aiming the probe, sensing the pressure change when entering the ventricle, and estimating how far the catheter should be advanced within the ventricle. **Conclusions:** Simulator practice with a library of virtual brains representing a range of anatomies and difficulty levels may improve performance, potentially decreasing complications due to inexpert technique. (*Sim Healthcare* 8:25–31, 2013)

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Fostering and Assessing Professionalism and Communication Skills in Neurosurgical Education

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Future Neurosurgical Innovation

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Predicting the Future — Big Data, Machine Learning, and Clinical Medicine

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By now, it's almost old news: big data will transform medicine. It's essential to remember, however, that data by themselves are useless. To be useful, data must be analyzed, interpreted, and acted on. Thus, it is algorithms — not data sets — that will prove transformative. We believe, therefore, that attention has to shift to new statistical tools from the field of machine learning that will be critical for anyone practicing medicine in the 21st century.

First, it's important to understand what machine learning is not. Most computer-based algorithms in medicine are “expert systems” — rule sets encoding knowledge on a given topic, which are applied to draw conclusions

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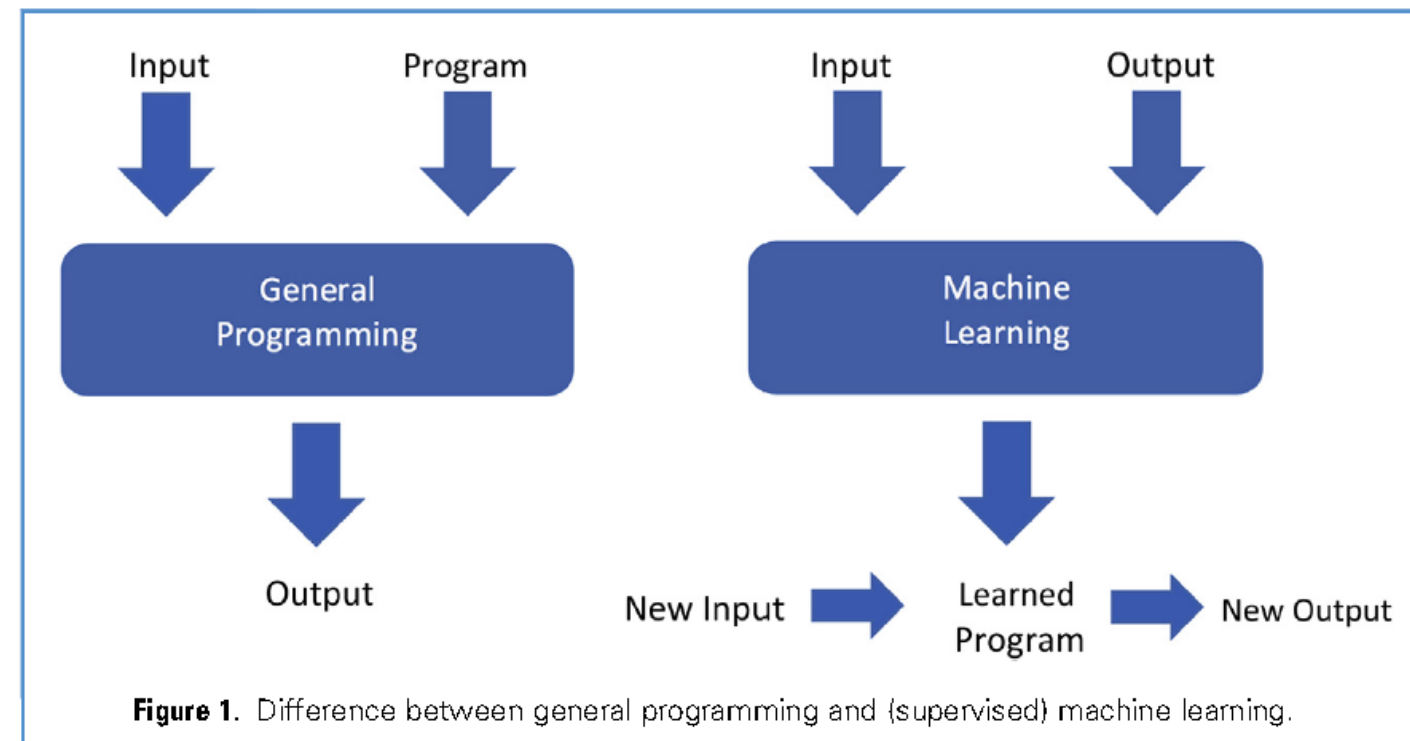
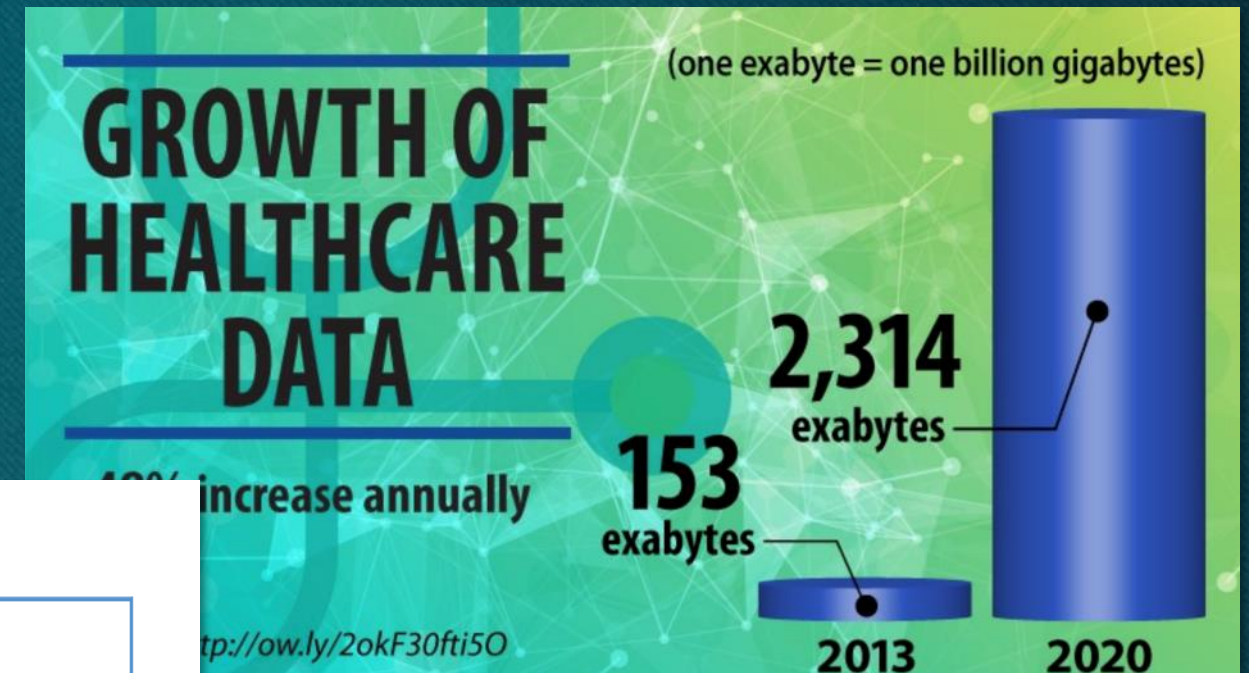


Figure 1. Difference between general programming and (supervised) machine learning.



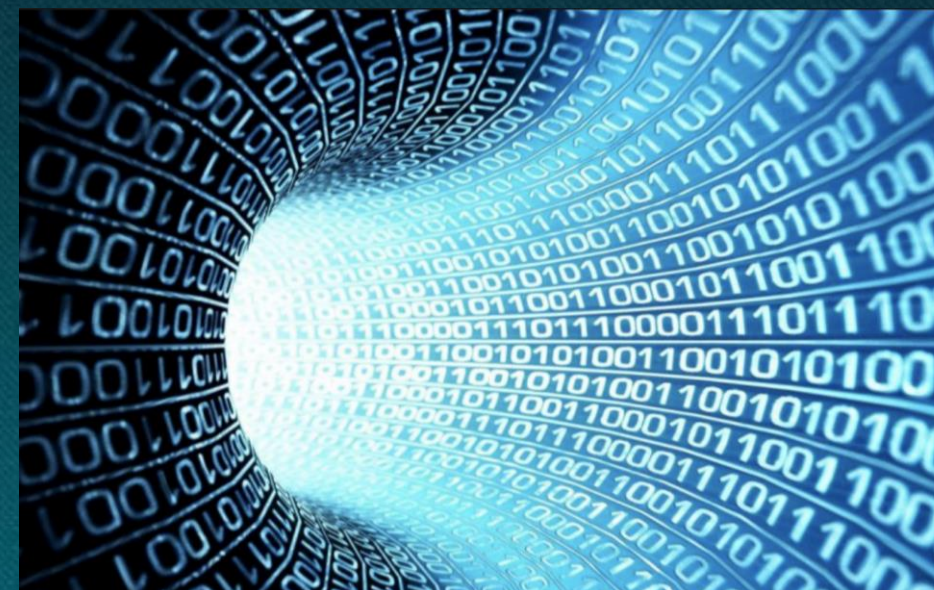
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A Mathematical Theory of Communication
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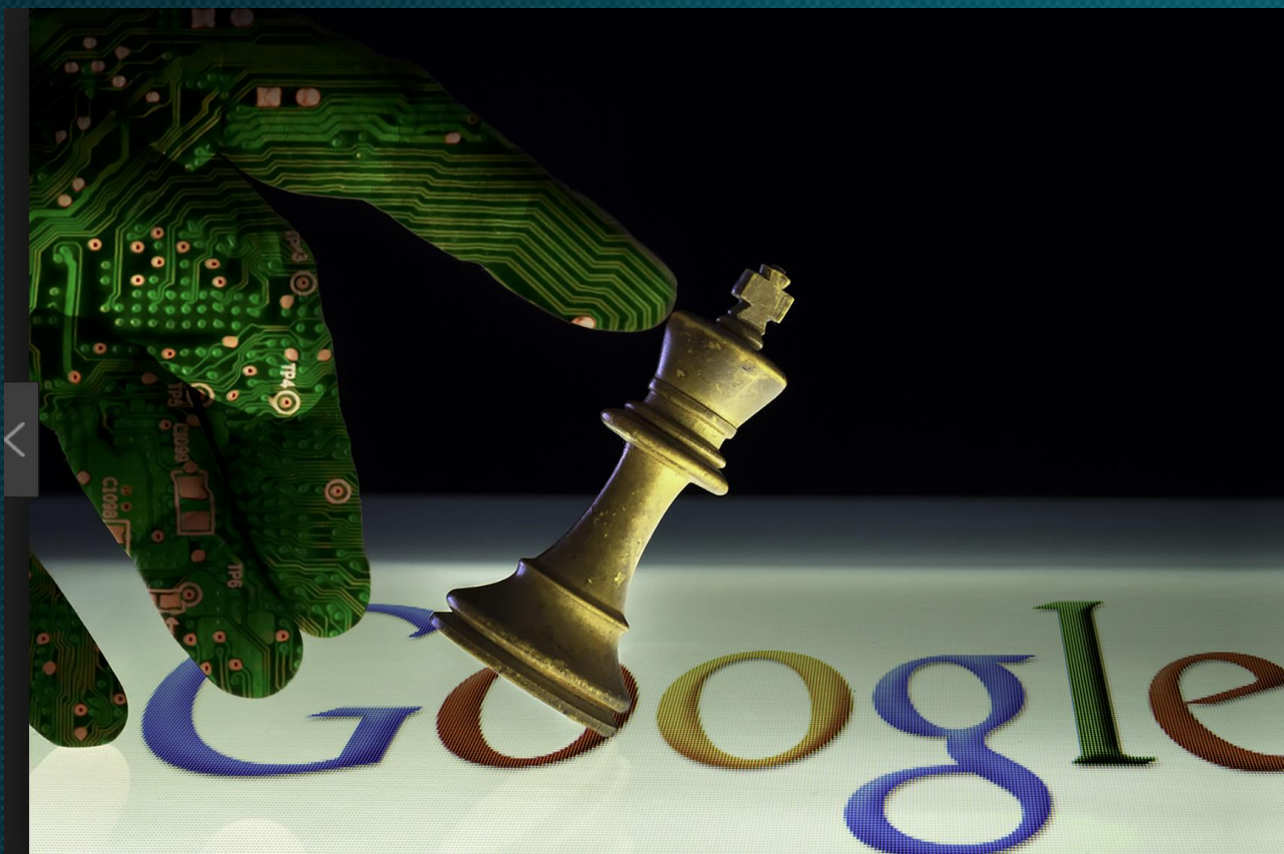
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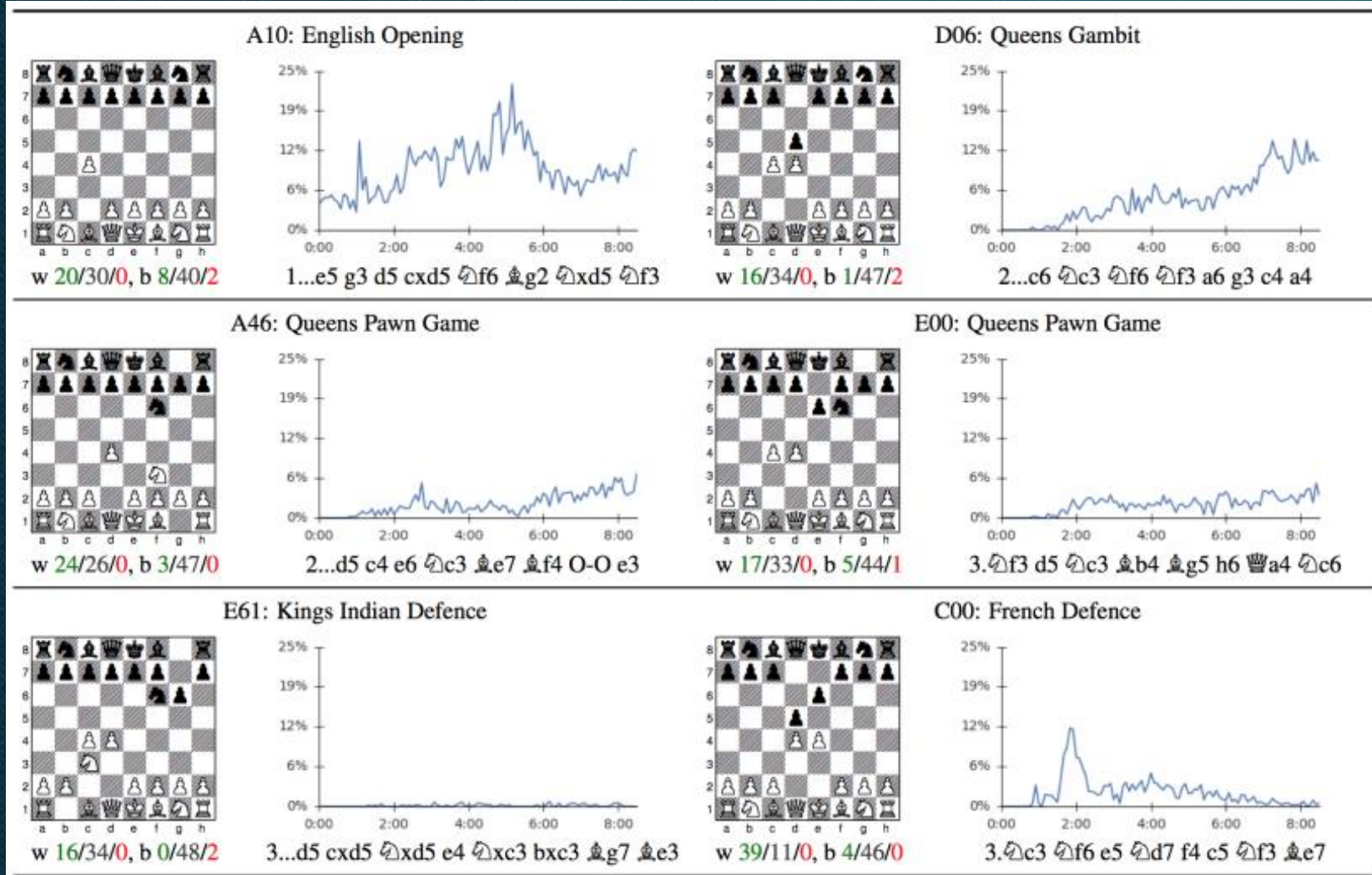
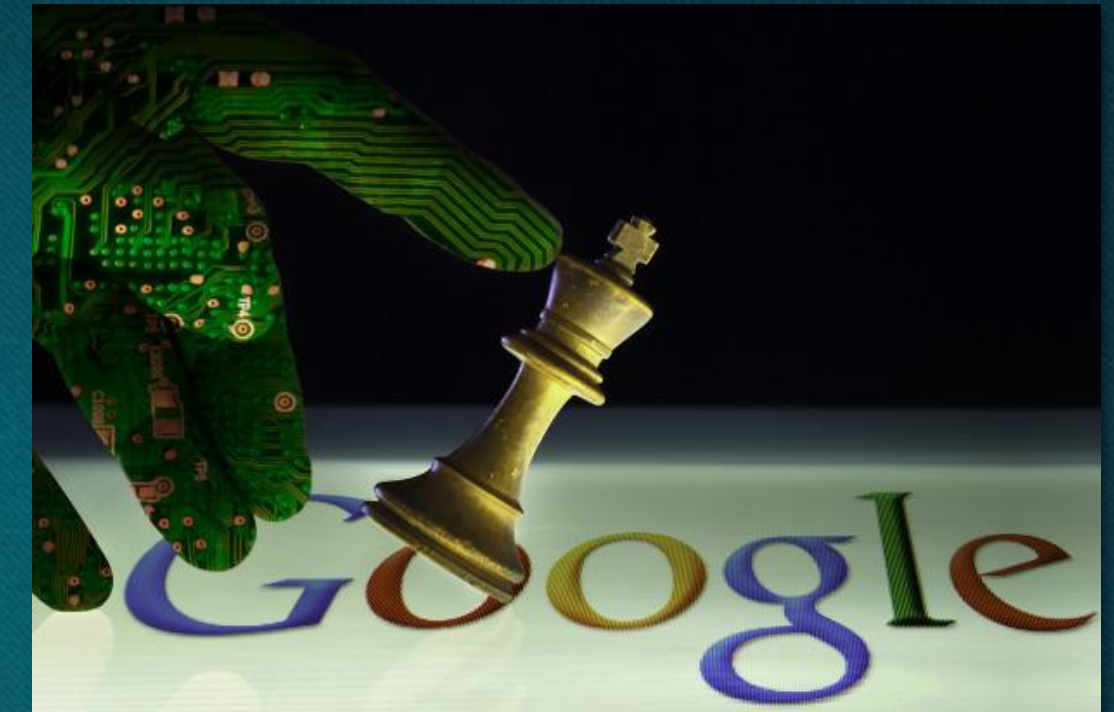
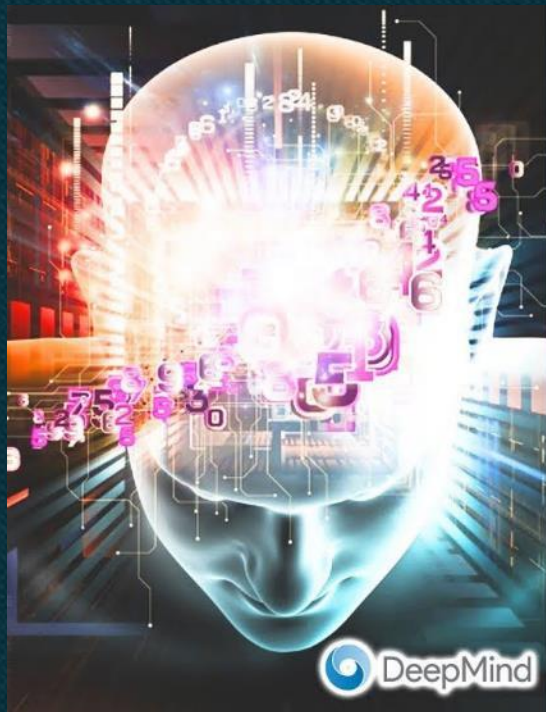
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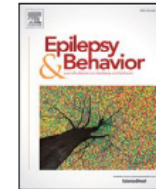
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Cortical feature analysis and machine learning improves detection of "MRI-negative" focal cortical dysplasia



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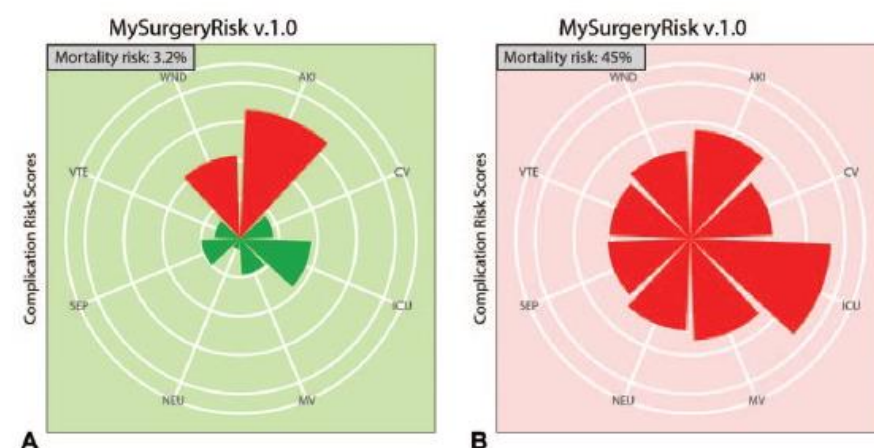
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MySurgeryRisk: Development and Validation of a Machine-learning Risk Algorithm for Major Complications and Death After Surgery

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Diabetic retinopathy, the leading reversible cause of blindness in the US

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Prediction of cardiovascular risk factors from retinal fundus photographs via deep learning

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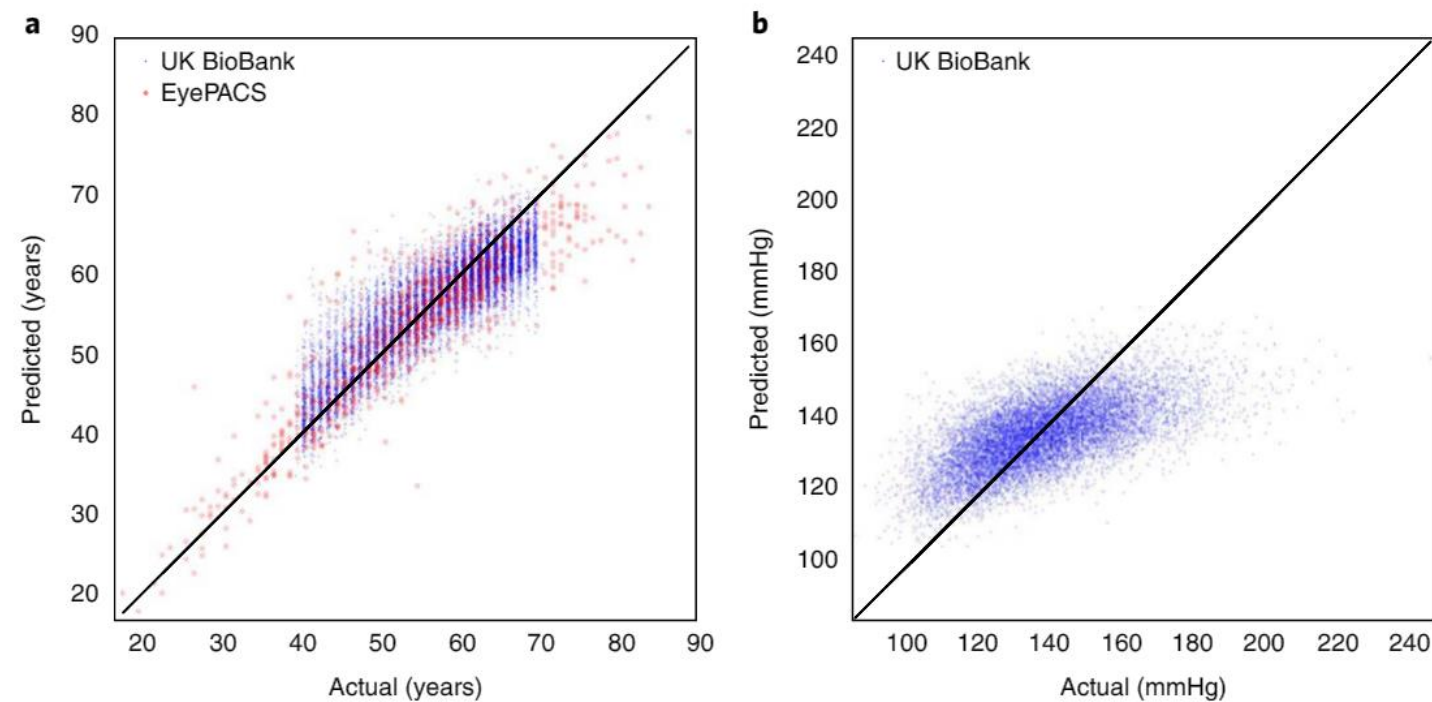
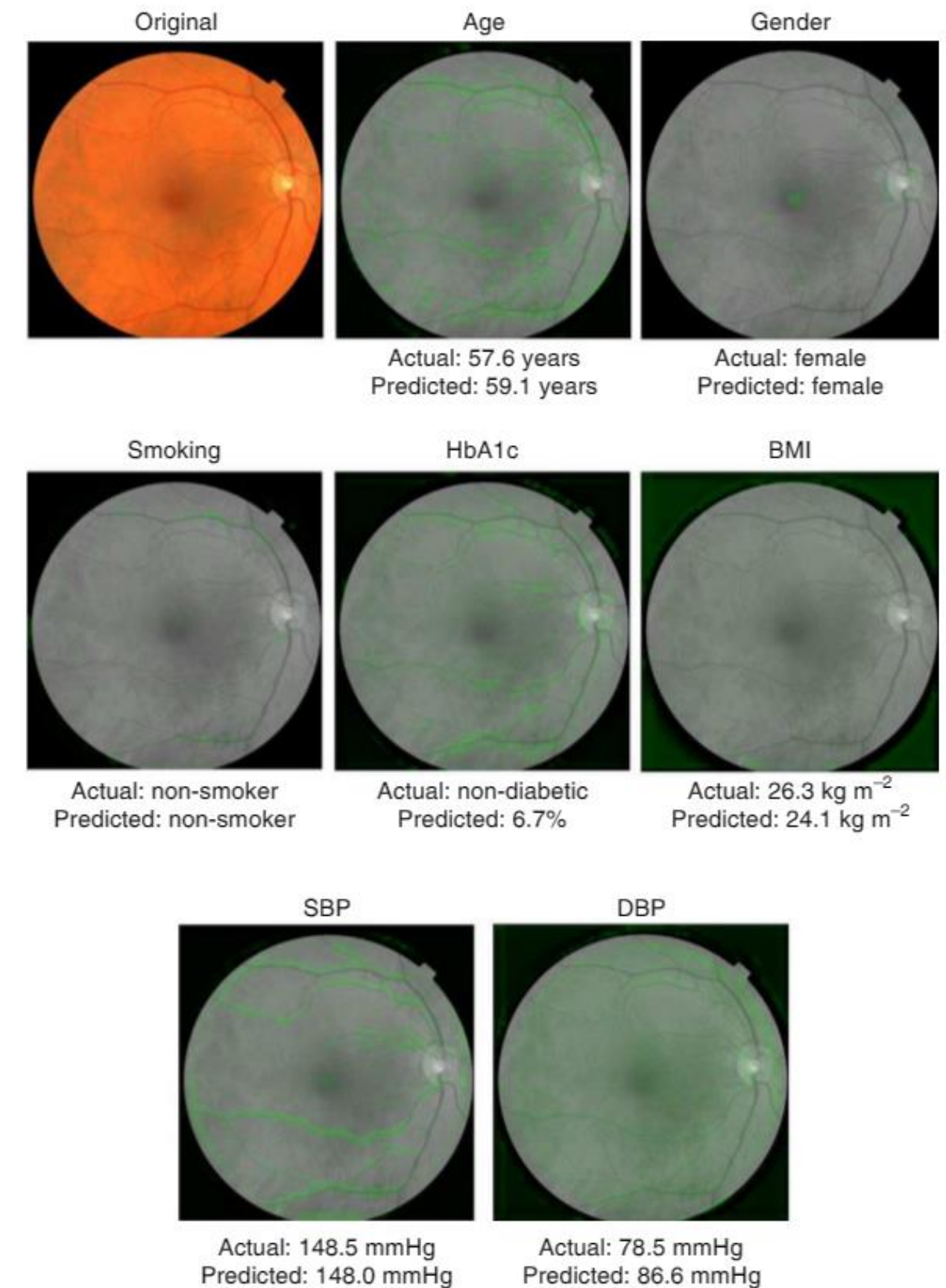
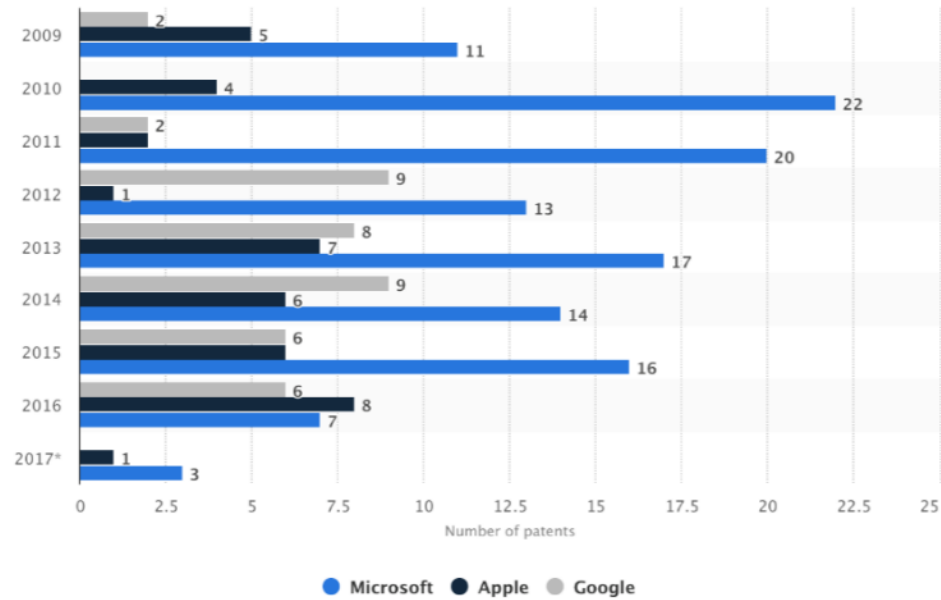


Fig. 1 | Predictions of age and SBP. a, Predicted and actual age in the two validation datasets. For the UK Biobank dataset, age was calculated using the birth year because birth months and days were not available. In the EyePACS-2K dataset, age is available only in units of whole years. **b**, Predicted and actual SBP in the UK Biobank validation dataset. The lines represent $y=x$ values.



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Toward Augmented Radiologists: Changes in Radiology Education in the Era of Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence

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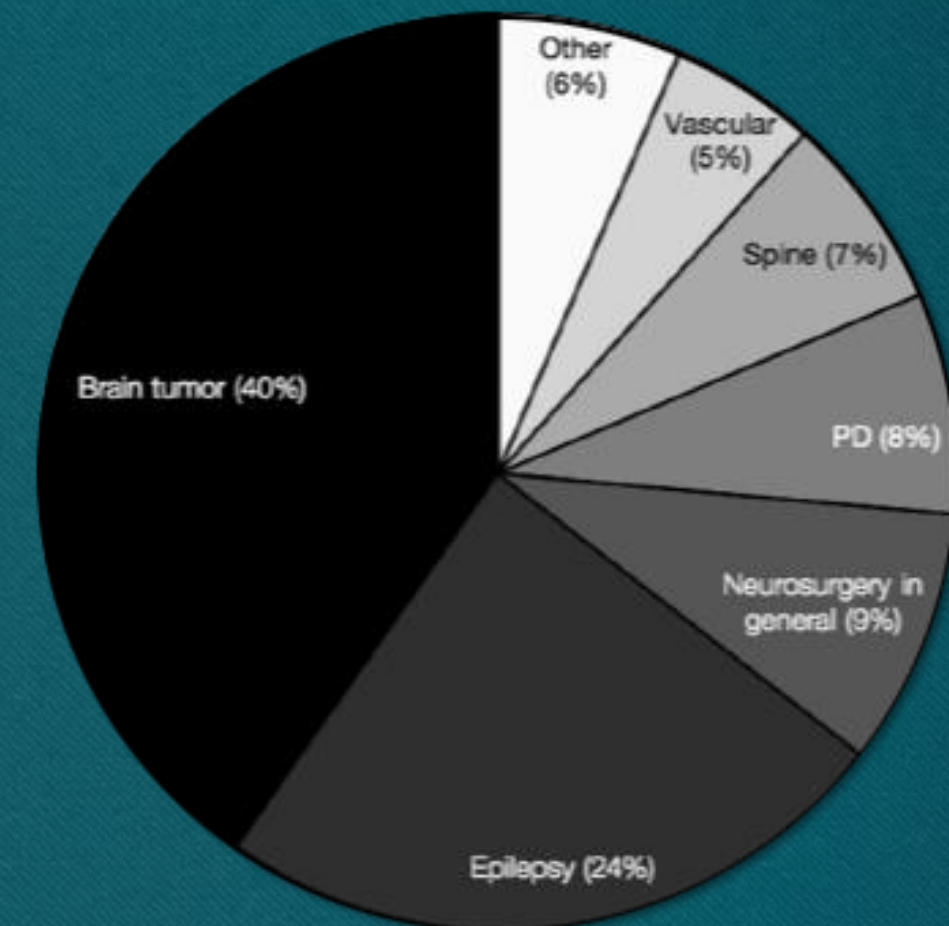
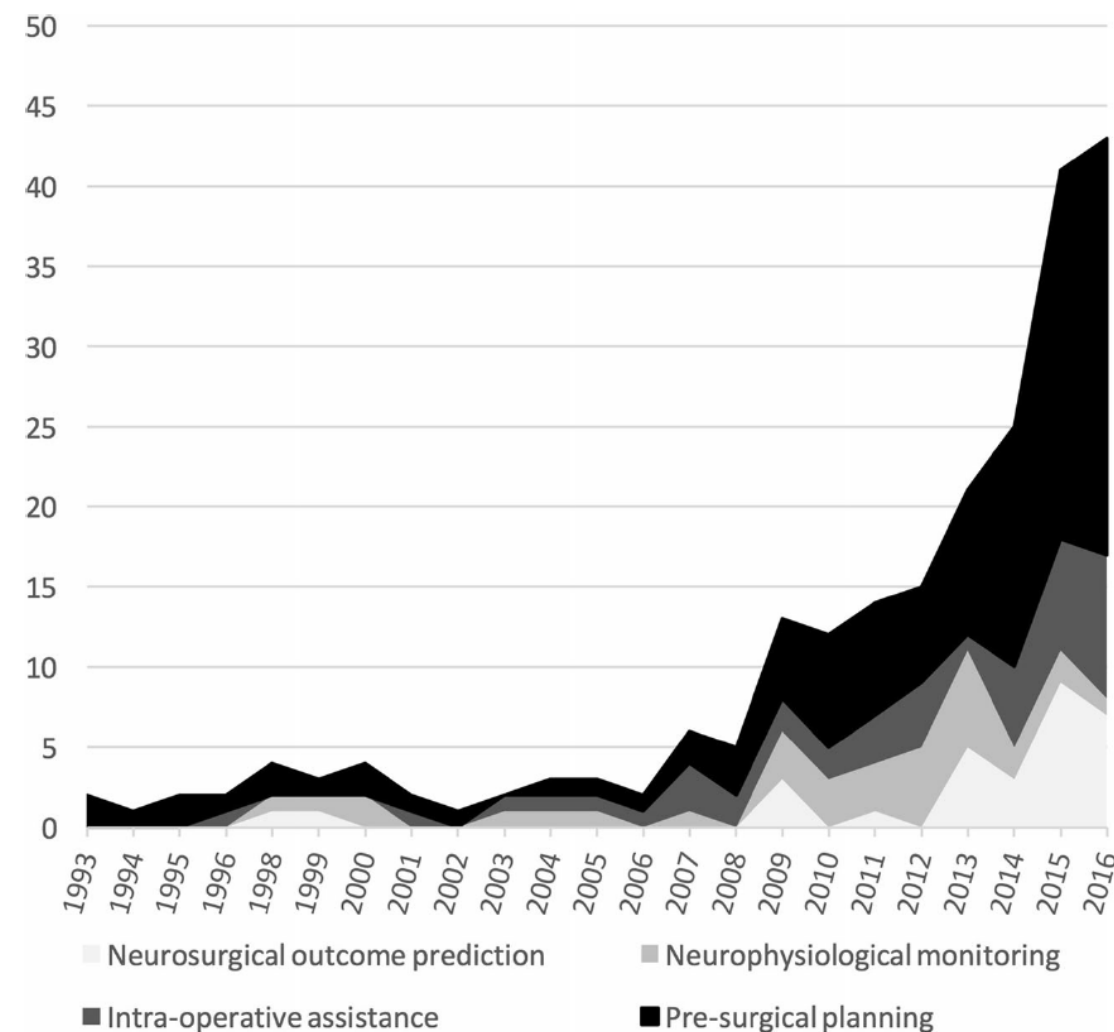
Radiology practice will be altered by the coming of artificial intelligence, and the process of learning in radiology will be similarly affected. In the short term, radiologists will need to understand the first wave of artificially intelligent tools, how they can help them improve their practice, and be able to effectively supervise their use. Radiology training programs will need to develop curricula to help trainees acquire the knowledge to carry out this new supervisory duty of radiologists. In the longer term, artificially intelligent software assistants could have a transformative effect on the training of residents and fellows, and offer new opportunities to bring learning into the ongoing practice of attending radiologists.

An introduction and overview of machine learning in neurosurgical care

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In 7 studies analyzed, ML outperformed multivariate analysis on the same dataset ($p < 0.001$)

Fig. 2 Number of papers published each year on machine learning in neurosurgery categorized per treatment stage

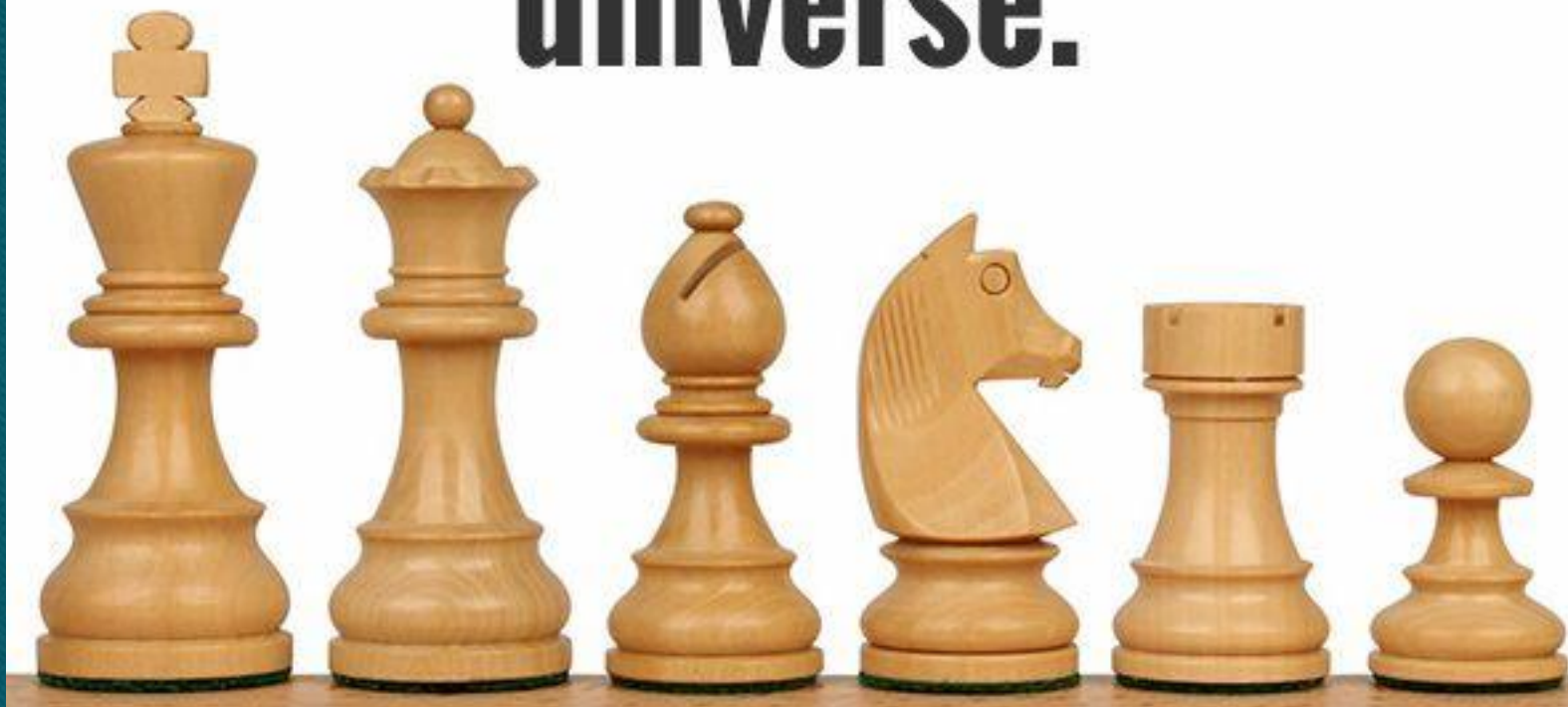


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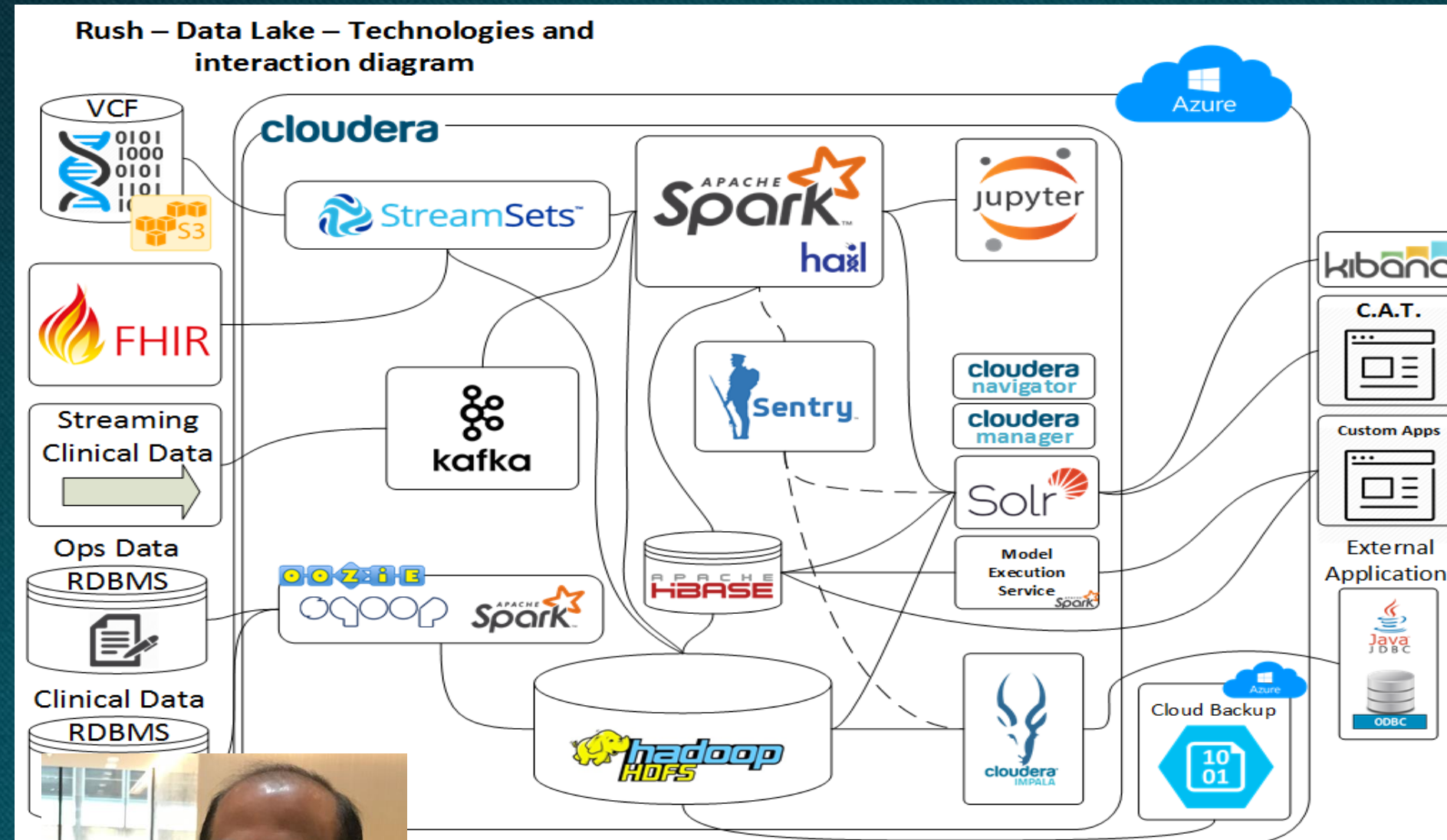
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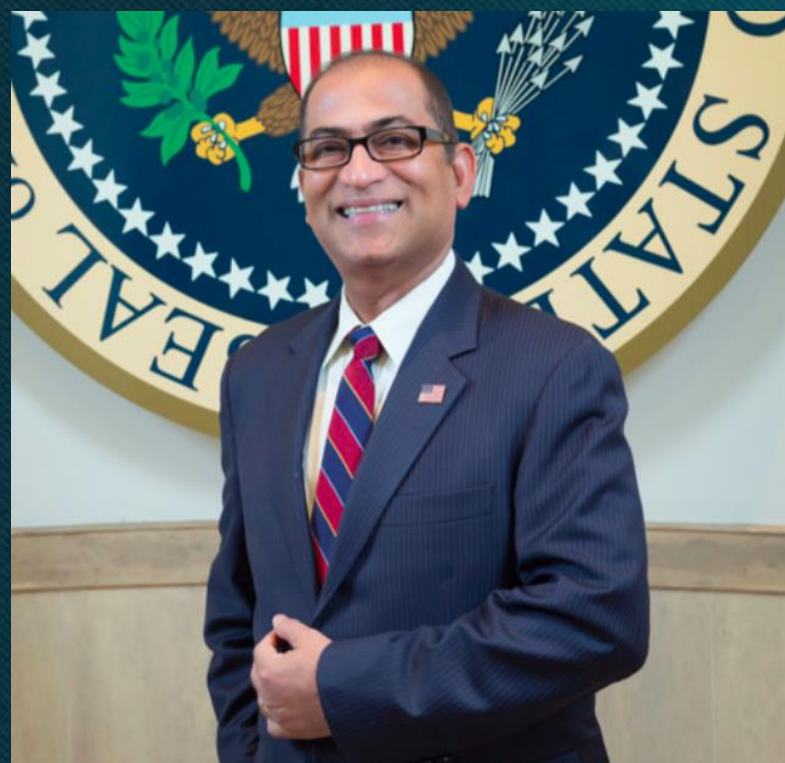
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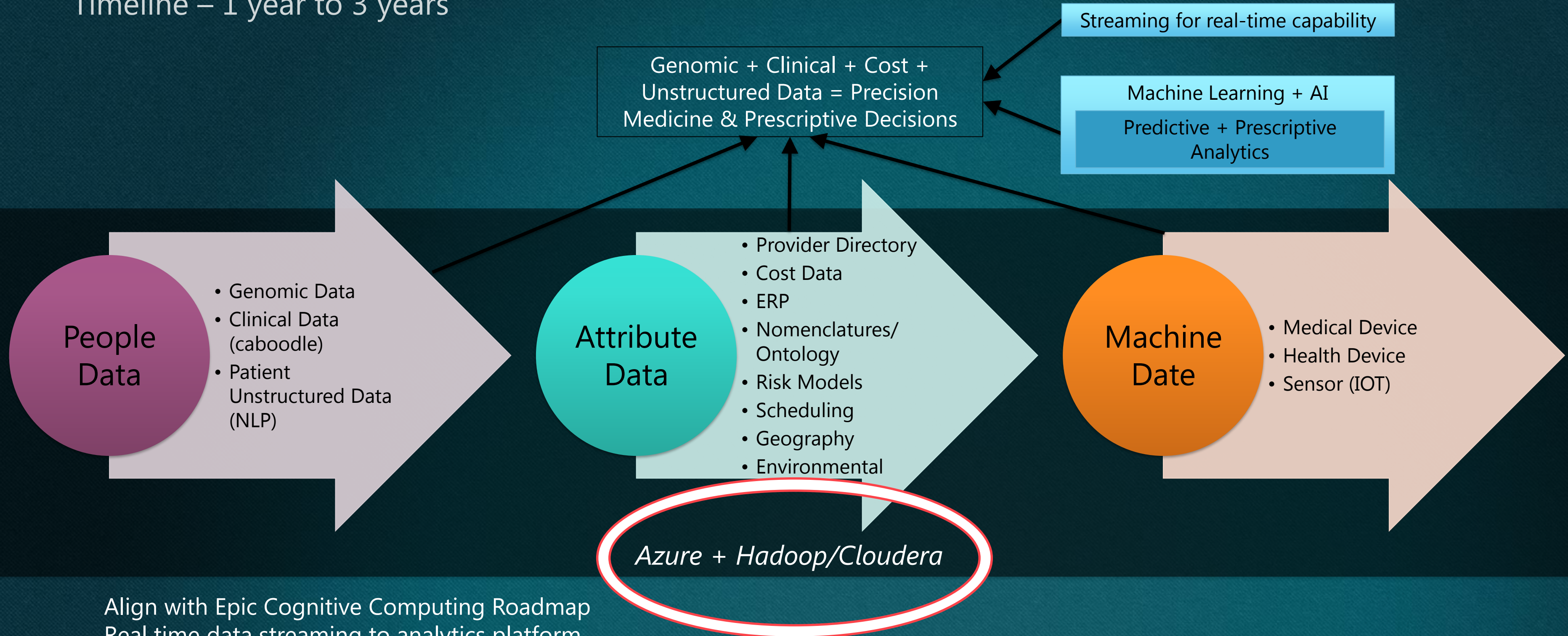
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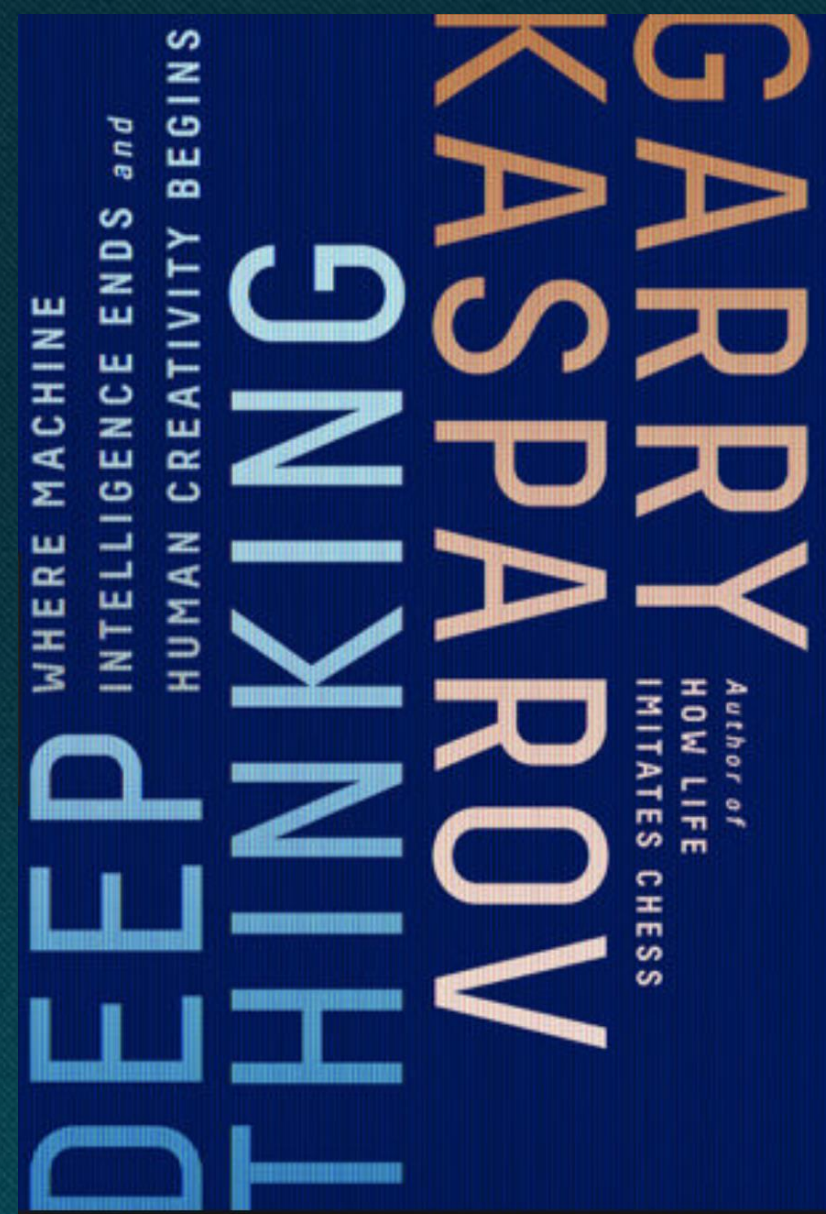
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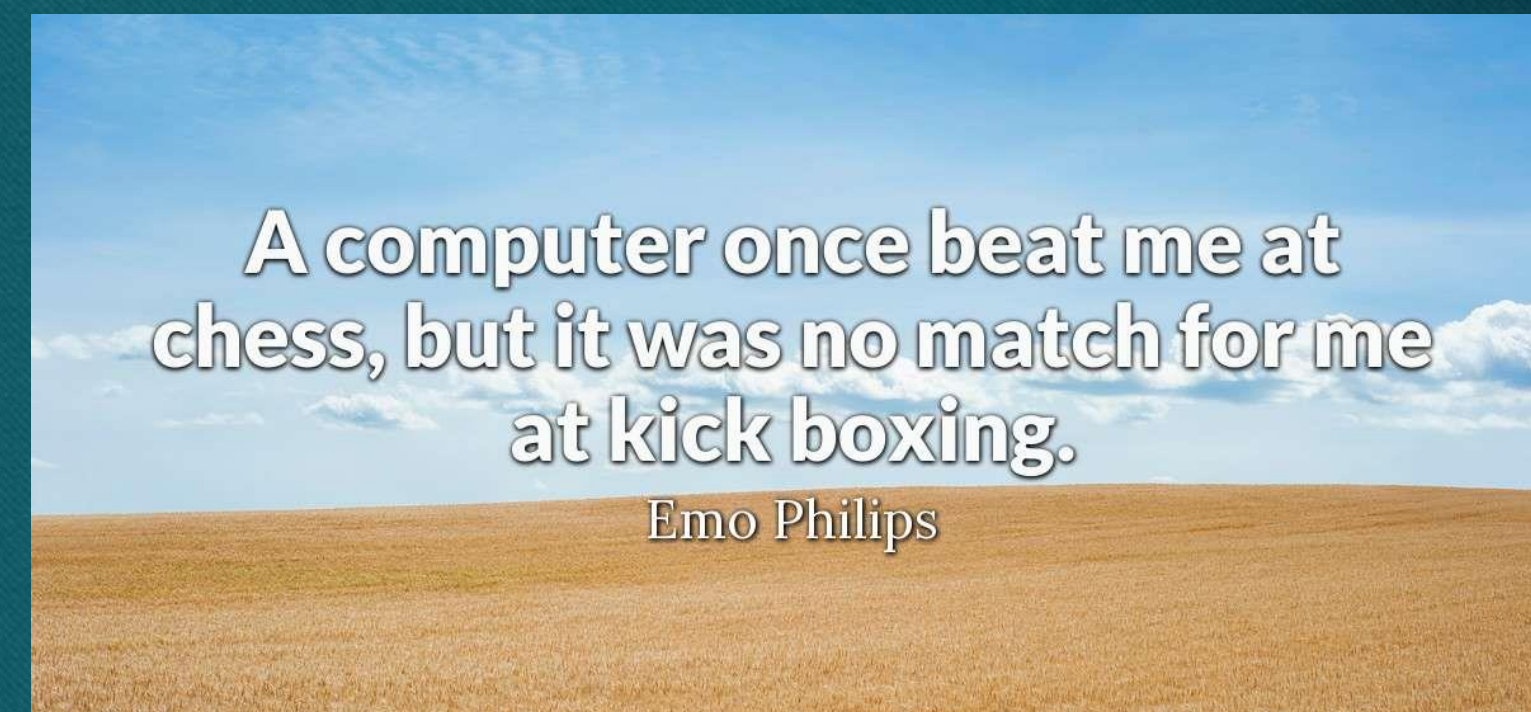
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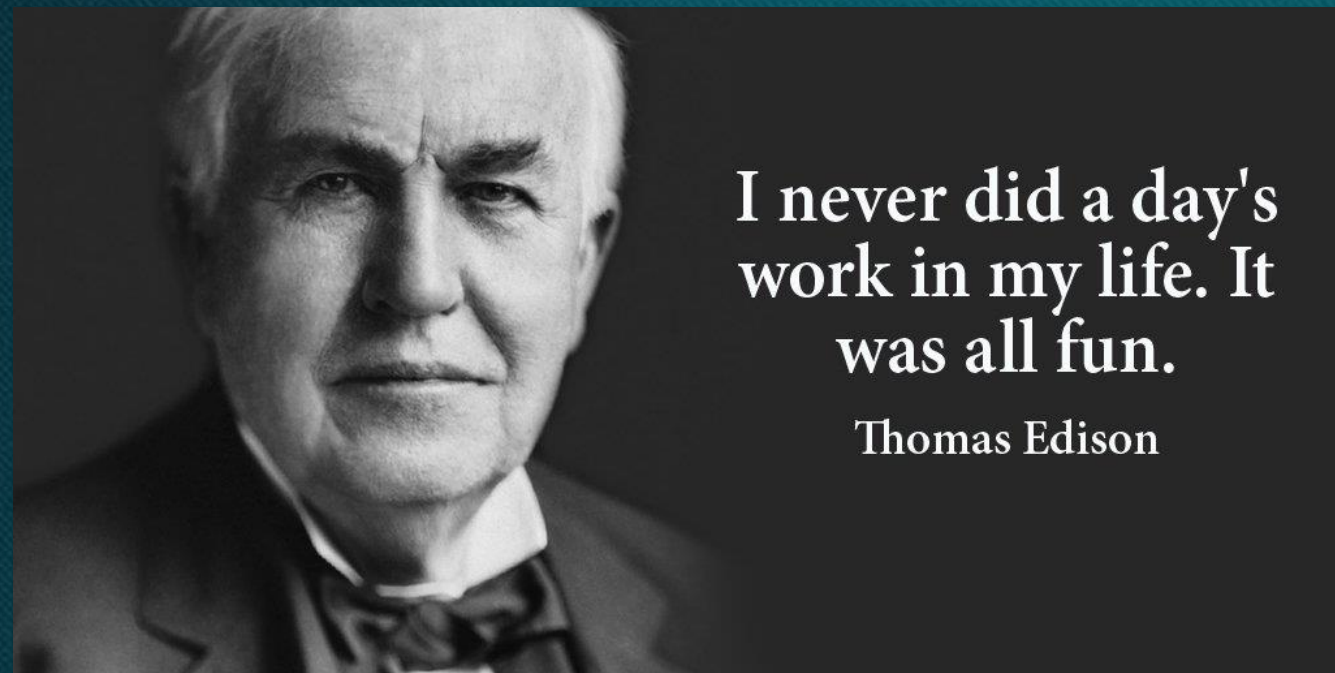
- ▶ Machines have calculations, we have understanding.
- ▶ Machines have instructions, we have purpose.
- ▶ It is up to us to imagine and dream what we can do together that was once impossible.



In the future, innovation will be our chief responsibility.

“*Creativity is intelligence having fun.*”

Albert Einstein



NSA Presidential Address

Carl Graf MD, 1961

- ▶ No man is an island unto himself. This we have learned most of all....
- ▶ What is cherished most are the friendships... made in this Society...
- ▶ The sincere feeling of camaraderie, the honest sense of pleasure and warmth in meeting fellow neurosurgeons with a mutual respect and regard, are intangibles whose value cannot be measured.

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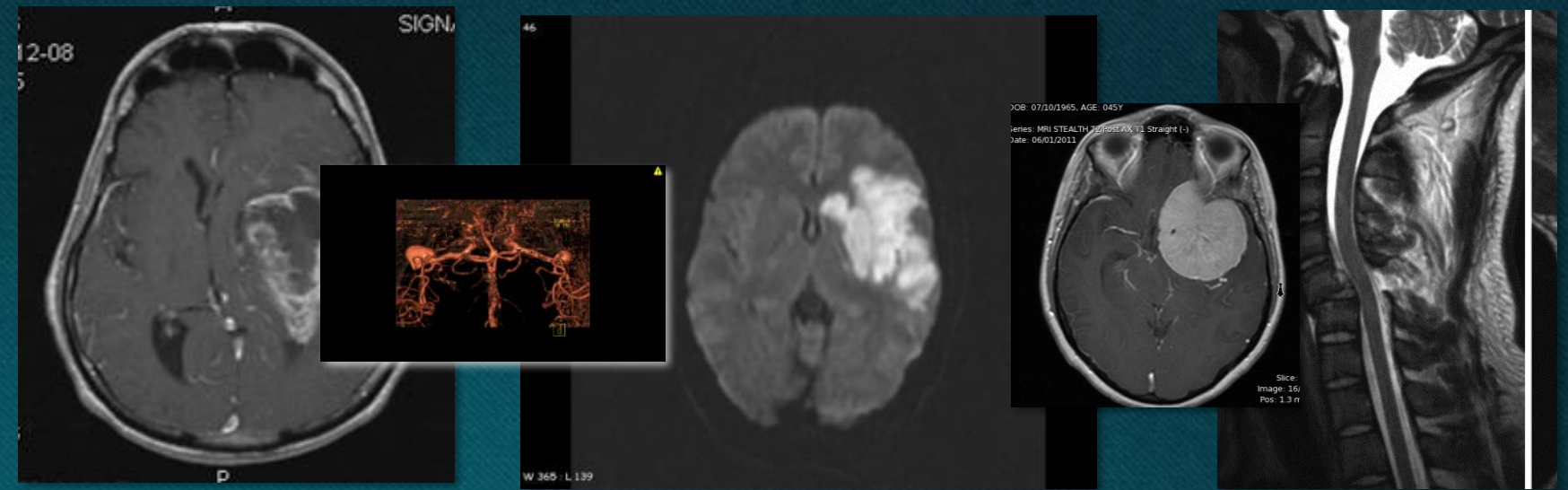
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*Who will lead neurosurgical
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