A Causal Network Analysis of Neuromodulation in the Cortico-Subcortical Limbic Network

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Highlights

• Large-scale recording and stimulating microdrive enables flexible brain network sampling

and modulation

• Minimally-perturbative causal network analysis reveals significant multiregional interactions

• Short-burst tetanic microstimulation suppresses neural excitability of multiregional

interactions

• Modulator's intrinsic activity predicts dynamics of neural excitability

SUMMARY

Electrical neuromodulation holds promise for treating neurological and neuropsychiatric disorders of the human brain, yet how neuromodulation alters processing within and between brain regions remains unclear. Here, we develop an implantable device to perform multisite, spatiotemporal, patterned microstimulation and recording across large-scale networks of the primate brain. We map a cortico-subcortical limbic network spanning the orbitofrontal cortex, anterior cingulate cortex, prefrontal cortex, the motor cortices, as well as the striatum, pallidum, and amygdala and test the network mechanism of action of short-burst tetanic microstimulation (SB-TetMS; ≤ 2 s, 100/200 Hz). By performing a minimally-perturbative causal network analysis, we dissociate network mechanisms of SB-TetMS-based neuromodulation. SB-TetMS acts to disrupt processing across projections that connect brain regions while leaving processing within regions relatively undisturbed. These results show that SB-TetMS provides a highly-effective procedure for modulating multiregional interactions and so has applications to treating a wide range of disorders of the human brain.

KEYWORDS

Multisite patterned microstimulation, causal network analysis, edge-modulation, node-modulation, intrinsic network dynamics

INTRODUCTION

Neuromodulation refers to a spectrum of technologies that seek to achieve therapeutic effects by intervening to alter neural activity. These technologies have broad and wide-ranging potential to treat refractory neurological and neuropsychiatric disorders (Johnson et al., 2013). Neuromodulation can be performed invasively with implantable devices as in deep brain stimulation (DBS) (Lozano et al., 2019) and direct cortical surface stimulation (Borchers et al., 2012). Neuromodulation can also be used to intervene non-invasively (Bikson et al., 2018; Fitzgerald et al., 2006; Folloni et al., 2019; Grossman et al., 2017; Legon et al., 2014; Tyler et al., 2018) and in the peripheral nervous system (Aaronson et al., 2017; Breit et al., 2018). Interventions with greater temporal or spatial precision are also under development in animal models (Chen et al., 2015, 2018; Gradinaru et al., 2009; Iaccarino et al., 2016; Martorell et al., 2019; Szablowski et al., 2018). Ultimately, neuromodulation-based technologies may be able to repair and even cure the disordered brain by recruiting neural plasticity (Braun et al., 2018; Johnson et al., 2013; Rajasethupathy et al., 2016).

Despite the therapeutic promise of neuromodulation, significant hurdles exist. While recent human studies show that electrical neuromodulation may enhance memory (Ezzyat et al., 2017, 2018; Inman et al., 2017; Suthana et al., 2012; Titiz et al., 2017), reduce impulsivity (Wu et al., 2017), and improve mood state (Rao et al., 2018) and cognitive control (Widge et al., 2019), whether and how electrical stimulation can be used to treat neuropsychiatric disorders remains controversial. Clinical studies report that electrical stimulation is not effective at treating early Alzheimer's (Leoutsakos et al., 2018) and treatment-resistant depression (Dougherty et al., 2015) and has negative effects, impairing spatial and verbal memory (Jacobs et al., 2016).

Clinical targets for therapeutic stimulation are increasingly viewed within a circuit-based model of neural dysfunction (Braun et al., 2018; McIntyre and Anderson, 2016; Williams, 2017).

Circuit-based models propose that dysfunction arises from interactions between neurons in
different regions of the brain. Consistent with this, recent work shows that stimulation alters
neuronal interactions by altering temporally-patterned network activity (de Hemptinne et al.,
2015; Reinhart and Nguyen, 2019). The circuit-based model of neural dysfunction highlights the
need to assess the network mechanism of action — how the intervention alters activity not just
in one region but across many regions in a network. The circuit-based model also highlights the
importance of connecting how neuromodulation affects single cells to understanding how it
affects network function. In particular, the circuit-based view hypothesizes that neuromodulation
specifically acts to modulate interactions between groups of neurons in networks.

Network neuroscience describes brain networks as being composed of nodes connected
by edges to form graphs (Bassett et al., 2018). The edges can have different weights, reflecting
different connection strengths. Network neuroscience thus provides a framework for testing
circuit-model-based predictions. Neuromodulation may involve suppressing or strengthening the
edge weight between two nodes — the edge-modulation hypothesis. Alternatively,
neuromodulation may modulate the nodes themselves, suppressing or facilitating activity at
those sites — the node-modulation hypothesis. The circuit-based model predicts that
neuromodulation involves edge-modulation more than node-modulation. To test this prediction,
we need to disambiguate edge-based processing from node-based processing. Edge weight is
often estimated from correlations in activity of each node, summarized by the adjacency matrix
(Bassett et al., 2018). However, correlation-based estimates of edge weight confound edge
processing with node processing. This is because correlation-based estimates do not directly
measure connection strength. The estimates are confounded by changes in activity at each
node and common inputs to both nodes (Pesaran et al., 2018). As a result, the extent to which
neuromodulation modulates edge-based and node-based processing remains unclear.

Here, we test the network mechanism of action of a neuromodulatory intervention, short-
burst tetanic microstimulation (SB-TetMS; ≤ 2 s, 100/200 Hz), by stimulating and recording
across the cortico-subcortical limbic network of two awake rhesus macaque monkeys, spanning
orbitofrontal cortex (OFC), anterior cingulate cortex (ACC), prefrontal cortex (PFC), primary
motor cortex (M1), striatum, globus pallidus (GP), and amygdala (Amyg). We use the concept of
neural excitability, which describes how each node responds to input according to the weight of
an edge, to causally estimate edge weight in a causal network analysis. The resulting causal
network analysis permits a rigorous dissection of edge- and node-modulation hypotheses.
Figure 1A illustrates the experimental design, which has three components. We first measure
excitability by measuring the neural response across the network to a secondary intervention -
an isolated single microstimulation pulse. We then deliver the primary intervention, a SB-TetMS
TetMS pulse train, at sites in either gray matter or white matter. We then repeat the secondary
intervention. Our results indicate that SB-TetMS, a high-frequency stimulation commonly used to
treat a variety of brain disorders, overwhelmingly acts to disrupt processing across edges.
Perhaps surprisingly, processing within nodes remains relatively undisturbed.

RESULTS

Targeting and Sampling the Cortico-Subcortical Limbic Network

To analyze neuromodulation across the cortical-subcortical limbic network, we developed a large-scale semi-chronic microdrive system (**Figures 1**B and **S1**A) (Dotson et al., 2017) to target and sample a large-scale brain network for causal network analysis (**Figures 1**B and **1**C). With this system, we targeted and repeatedly sampled a network spanning 15 cortical and subcortical brain regions. The sampled network included seven cortical regions: OFC combining medial OFC and lateral OFC, ACC, posterior cingulate cortex (PCC), PFC combining inferior, middle, and superior frontal gyri, M1, primary sensory cortex (S1), and posterior parietal cortex (PPC) combining superior parietal lobule (SPL), supramarginal gyrus (SMG), and precuneus (pCun); and eight subcortical regions: caudate nucleus (CN), putamen (Put), globus pallidus external (GPe), Amyg, presubiculum (PrS), substantia innominata (SI), basal forebrain nucleus (BFB), nucleus accumbens (NAc).

To target each brain region, we registered electrodes to anatomical magnetic resonance images (MRIs) and magnetic resonance angiograms (MRAs). To limit routes for infection, we customized the shape of the chamber and microdrive to each animal's anatomy and established that the chamber was sealed following implantation (**Figure 1**C). To limit damage when lowering electrodes, we only advanced a subset of electrodes along trajectories considered safe (**STAR Methods**). Finally, we co-registered the MRIs to the MNI Paxinos labels (Frey et al., 2011) to label each recording and stimulation site (**Figure S1**B). We successfully studied activity from 165 electrodes (50 tungsten and 115 Pt/Ir) in Monkey M for over 24 months and 208 Pt/Ir electrodes in Monkey A for over 12 months.

We tested long-term stability of neural recordings in two ways. First, we examined LFP activity during the movement epoch of a reaching task. **Figure 1**D-**1**F presents task-evoked LFP

activity for 67 depths along a sample electrode trajectory. Task-evoked LFP activity clearly

increased and decreased in magnitude as the electrode transitioned into and out of gray matter,

respectively. We also validated localization based on spiking. Increased task-evoked LFP

activity was associated with increasing spiking activity (**Figure S1**). Patterns of spiking activity

and task-evoked LFP activity were preserved over many months, demonstrating long-term

stability of the implanted device.

The causal network analysis let us study neural interactions between sets of recording

and stimulation sites located at nodes in the network. Across all 15 nodes, we sampled from a

grand total of 4658 sites in Monkey M and 4897 sites in Monkey A (**Figure 1**G; **STAR**

Methods). Across both monkeys, we obtained 15,734 non-overlapping samples from 21 cortico-

cortical edges, 11,276 non-overlapping samples from 56 cortical-subcortical edges and 1087

non-overlapping samples from 28 subcortical-subcortical edges (**Figure 1**H; **STAR Methods**).

We targeted our analysis to 9548 samples from the cortico-subcortical limbic network

connecting OFC, ACC, PFC, CN, Put, and Amyg.

Causal Network Analysis Reveals Significant Directed Network Edges

We causally estimated edge weight with a secondary intervention delivering a single, low-

amplitude, bipolar, biphasic, charge-balanced microstimulation pulse at a given node (Node1,

the sender) while recording neural activity at other sampled network nodes (Node2, the

receiver) (**Figure 2**A). Bipolar microstimulation limited the current spread from the stimulation

site and corresponding stimulation artifacts. Bipolar re-referencing for recordings aimed to

reveal focal evoked responses and also limited stimulation artifacts. The secondary intervention

was designed to be minimally-perturbative (**Discussion**). By stimulating the sender above

threshold and recording the receiver at threshold, the receiver response to input from the sender

measured the weight of the network edge (sender→receiver). To do so, we stimulated the

sender with different current amplitude. We then set the stimulation dose at the threshold

needed to generate a stimulation-evoked response at receiver sites.

Figure 2A illustrates an example evoked LFP response in a CN site to single

microstimulation pulses (30 µA, 100 µs) delivered at an OFC site. Responses to isolated bipolar

microstimulation pulses appear to reflect responses by neurons in the receiver due to synaptic

inputs driven by stimulation at the sender. Consistent with this interpretation, single bipolar

microstimulation pulses were also able to drive spiking activity from neurons in the receiver,

peaking at the same time as the evoked LFP activity. This result indicates that bipolar re-

referenced LFP responses reflected a local neuronal source (**Figure 2**B). Averaging stimulation-

evoked responses across pulses revealed highly-significant evoked responses (**Figure 2**C).

Moreover, analyzing the spread of signals from the sender site to the receiver sites confirmed

that using bipolar microstimulation and recording configurations revealed focal responses and

could do so at the receiver sites distant to the sender (**Figure 2**C). We also performed control

recordings during monopolar microstimulation and confirmed that receiver site responses were

more likely to be contaminated by current spread (**Figure S2**).

To detect stimulation-evoked responses, we used an optimal signal detection algorithm

derived from an accumulating log-likelihood ratio (AccLLR) framework (Banerjee et al., 2010),

which we term stimAccLLR (**STAR Methods**). Across 12,721 pairs of sites tested in 132

network edges we causally sampled, we identified and characterized 78 significant functional

interactions in 21 network edges (**Figures 2**D and **2**E; **Table S1** and **S2**). On average, we

obtained a significant directed functional interaction between a pair of nodes with probability of

0.61% (**Discussion**). Since not all pairs of nodes are expected to functionally interact, we tested

whether some pairs of nodes interacted more than others (**Table S2**). A subset of the network

edges revealed significant directed functional interactions ($p < 0.05$, binomial test; **Figure 2**F

and **Figure S3**): OFC→CN (1.16%: 14/1212 samples, p = 0.009), OFC→PFC (1.16%: 9/779

samples, p = 0.027), OFC→M1 (6%: 6/100 samples, p = 3.2×10^{-5}), CN→Put (4.46%: 5/112

samples, p = 5.4×10^{-4}), and Amyg→OFC (10.17%: 6/59 samples, p = 1.5×10^{-6}). We also

observed significant interactions within a single network node, such as CN→CN (1.23%: 7/568

samples, p = 0.035). Thus, the causal network analysis defined a cortical-subcortical limbic

network (OFC-PFC-M1-CN-Put-Amyg).

SB-TetMS Suppresses Neural Excitability of Network Edges

TetMS has been proposed to act as a neuromodulatory intervention with therapeutic potential

(Urdaneta et al., 2017). We asked whether the network mechanism of TetMS neuromodulation

is consistent with either or both of the edge- and node-modulation hypotheses. To do so, we

implemented an open-loop multisite spatiotemporal patterned microstimulation framework

combining SB-TetMS pulse train (100/200 Hz, 0.25-2 s, primary intervention) and isolated single

microstimulation pulses (secondary intervention). We used this framework to investigate how

TetMS at the primary intervention site, which we term a modulator, alters the neural excitability

of identified network edges and the node activity (**Figure 3**A).

We first tested the edge-modulation hypothesis. We asked whether the modulator alters

the connection strength of the directed network edge identified between the sender and receiver

(**Figure 3**A). We did so by first measuring the state of the directed functional interaction

between the sender and receiver before SB-TetMS using a Pre-tetanic stimulation-evoked

response. We then delivered the SB-TetMS at a modulator site that was not at the sender or the

receiver. Immediately after the SB-TetMS pulse train was delivered, we then repeated the

minimal perturbation with single microstimulation pulses at the sender to measure the Post-

tetanic receiver response. **Figure 3**B illustrates idealized potential outcomes for the edge-

modulation hypothesis by comparing the peak magnitude of the pulse-triggered evoked

response in both Pre-tetanic and Post-tetanic epochs.

We then tested whether SB-TetMS delivered at the modulator alters activity within the

receiver node alone, as predicted by the node-modulation hypothesis. We studied LFP activity

because it is clinically-important and yielded reliable, long-term recordings across the sampled

network. We quantified node activity using power in beta (β: 13-30 Hz) frequency band, a key

signature of node activity used in DBS studies (Little and Brown, 2014). We also quantified

power in high gamma (high-γ: 70-150 Hz) frequency band, a key signature of node activity that

reflects local spiking of populations of neurons (Manning et al., 2009; Pesaran et al., 2002; Rich

and Wallis, 2017). We quantified LFP power before the Pre-tetanic single pulse (Pre-state, 100

ms) and after the Post-tetanic single pulse (Post-state, 100 ms) (**Figure 3**A). Since the

response of the receiver to the Post-tetanic single pulse is due to the sender, we defined the

Post-state as activity shortly after the pulse-triggered evoked response (150-250 ms after the

Post-tetanic single pulse onset). **Figure 3**C illustrates the idealized potential outcomes of

suppression and facilitation for the receiver node-modulation hypothesis. We tested the 62

identified directed network edges in both Pre-tetanic and Post-tetanic epochs (up to 150 ms

after Pre/Post pulse onset). We measured the Post-tetanic evoked response shortly after the

end of the TetMS pulse train (median τ_{post}: 50 ms; **STAR Methods**).

Figure 4A-**4**D presents an example recording with a gray matter modulator. In this

example, we delivered single microstimulation pulses (40 µA, 100 µs/ph) at an Amyg sender.

We observed a significant pulse-triggered evoked response at an OFC receiver to the Pre-

tetanic single pulses (**Figure 4**B). The evoked response varied pulse-by-pulse (**Figure 4**C).

Importantly, the TetMS (30 µA, 100 µs/ph, 100 Hz, 50-500 ms) delivered at another OFC site

(**Figure 4**A) suppressed the OFC receiver response to the Post-tetanic single pulses (**Figure**

4B). Suppression was observable following each pulse (**Figure 4**C). Analyzing the Pre-state

RMS and Post-state RMS revealed that the OFC modulator slightly decreased the OFC receiver

β power after the TetMS (median RMS_{Pre} = 1.68 μV; median RMS_{Post} = 1.62 μV; p = 0.046,

Wilcoxon rank sum test; **Figure 4**D). In comparison, the TetMS did not significantly change the

high-γ power at the OFC receiver (p = 0.36; **Figure 4**D). Results for this Amyg-sender, OFC-

receiver, and OFC-modulator are consistent with both edge- and node-modulation mechanisms

of neuromodulation.

Figure 4E-**4**H presents an example with a white matter modulator. In this example, we

delivered single microstimulation pulses (30 μA, 100 μs/ph) at an OFC sender. We observed a

significant pulse-triggered evoked response at an ACC receiver (**Figure 4**F), which varied

pulse-by-pulse (**Figure 4**G). Following a TetMS (20 μA, 100 μs/ph, 200 Hz, 250 ms) delivered to

the corpus callosum (CC) (**Figure 4**E), we observed the ACC receiver responses was

suppressed (**Figure 4**F) pulse-by-pulse (**Figure 4**G). Analyzing the Pre-state and Post-state

power revealed that the CC modulator did not significantly change the ACC receiver β and high-

γ power, respectively, before and after the 250-ms TetMS (p = 0.31 and p = 0.48; **Figure 4**H).

This example of SB-TetMS at the white matter modulator reveals edge-modulation but not

node-modulation.

We performed SB-TetMS across eight modulators spanning a white matter and seven

gray matter sites (two cortical and five subcortical) (**Figure S3** and **Table S1**). SB-TetMS

suppressed all identified network edges except two that we could not measure due to

stimulation artifacts (60/62, **Table S1**). Receiver node-modulation was mixed. While gray matter

modulators significantly suppressed receiver node β power (11/40 nodes, p = $2.55×10^{-6}$,

binomial test), receiver node high-γ power did not significantly change (3/40 nodes, p = 0.19,

binomial test) and the white matter modulator did not significantly suppress either (β: 1/20

nodes, p = 0.38; high-γ: 3/20 nodes, p = 0.06, binomial test). These results demonstrate that

SB-TetMS exerts a widespread neuromodulatory influence and overwhelmingly acts to

suppress network edges, while receiver node-modulation is less consistent.

Modulator Intrinsic Activity Predicts Dynamics of Neural Excitability of Network Edges

The previous results demonstrate that SB-TetMS significantly modulates the receiver response

to the sender, the edge, but does not modulate the receiver node itself except when delivered in

the gray matter. A significant concern is that if SB-TetMS modulates the sender node, a change

in receiver node response may be incorrectly attributed to edge-modulation. This remains a

concern because we did not directly test sender node-modulation due to the presence of

stimulation artifacts at the sender following delivery of the isolated microstimulation pulse to the

sender. Therefore, to address this concern, we need a way to control for sender node-

modulation.

Edge-modulation varied pulse-by-pulse (**Figure 4**). We reasoned that pulse-by-pulse

edge-modulation may reflect an intrinsic network mechanism that modulates edge weight

between the sender and receiver nodes (**Figure 5**A). Activity at other network sites, which we

term modulators, may be associated with strengthening or weakening the edge weight pulse-by-

pulse. If so, edge-modulation may co-vary with modulator neural activity, allowing us to use

intrinsic network dynamics to control for the presence of sender node-modulation.

We first more closely examined moment-by-moment stimulation response dynamics.

Figure 5B-**5**D presents example activity from an Amyg→OFC network edge. We used

stimAccLLR procedure to detect response to each Pre-tetanic single pulse (**Figure S4**).

Impressively, along with 'Hit' events, we observed 'Miss' events when the receiver did not

respond to sender stimulation (**Figure 5**C). Consistent with the presence of two response

classes, multiunit activity was strongly driven in 'Hit' events, and not driven in 'Miss' events.

(**Figure S5**). To test for the presence of two responses classes, we classified pulse-by-pulse

evoked responses using a Gaussian mixture model (GMM). The GMM clustered pulse-evoked

responses into two classes. For a majority of the identified directed network edge samples

(50/78, 64%) the analysis methods agreed ($p < 0.05$, Fisher's exact test, two-tailed test; **Figure**

S6). Thus, the results of the GMM and stimAccLLR provided convergent evidence for 'Hit' and

'Miss' stimulation response dynamics.

We then identified modulators by asking if we could predict 'Hit' and 'Miss' events from

simultaneously recorded LFP activity at other sites in the sampled network during the baseline

period before each Pre-tetanic single pulse (**STAR Methods**). Receiver operating characteristic

(ROC) analysis detected 'Hit' events from 'Miss' events in frequency bands of theta (θ, 4-7 Hz;

794 sites), beta (β, 13-30 Hz; 758 sites), and gamma (γ, 32-60 Hz; 865 sites). **Figure 5**E

present examples where the baseline β-power of a Put and PPC modulator co-varied with

stimulation responses detected at the OFC receiver (**Figure 5**C). Reduced β-power of the Put

modulator before the pulse onset significantly predicted missing responses recorded at the OFC

receiver. In contrast, increased β-power of the PPC modulator significantly predicted missing

responses. Across all modulators identified for a given network edge, we observed significant

modulation of neural excitability. These results demonstrate that multiregional interactions are

dynamically orchestrated by modulator activity distributed across the network.

With modulators in hand, we tested sender node-modulation hypothesis using sender

node power immediately before each Pre-tetanic single pulse. If edge-modulation is explained

by sender node-modulation, modulator activity should be correlated with the sender node

activity. Our results show that modulator power did not correlate with sender node power in the

θ, β, and γ frequency bands (θ: 604/794, 76%; β: 620/758, 82%; γ: 744/865, 86% not

significantly correlated sites, p > 0.05; **STAR Methods**). To confirm that this procedure provided

consistent results for receiver node-modulation, we asked whether the state of the receiver

before Pre-tetanic single pulse was also predicted by edge-modulation network activity. In

agreement with earlier analysis, modulator power did not significantly correlate with receiver

node power at most sites (θ: 435/794, 55%; β: 521/758, 69%; γ: 519/865, 60% not significantly

correlated sites, $p > 0.05$). Interestingly, receiver node activity was correlated with the modulator

activity more often than sender node activity ($p < 0.001$ for θ, β, and γ, Chi-squared test). These

results reinforce the conclusion that neuromodulation using SB-TetMS acts to modulate edges

more than either the sender node or the receiver node.

DISCUSSION

Our study performs a causal network analysis of the cortico-subcortical limbic network to identify the network mechanism of action of SB-TetMS. By recording responses at receiver sites to the delivery of isolated single microstimulation pulses at sender sites, we measured neural excitability across several projections connecting OFC, ACC, PFC, motor cortex, CN, Put, and Amyg. The causal network analysis reveals that neural excitability varies moment-by-moment. Analyzing changes in neural excitability before and after SB-TetMS, we show that SB-TetMS acts to disrupt processing across projections that connect brain regions, edges, while leaving processing within regions, nodes, relatively undisturbed. Our results, obtained within a multisite spatiotemporal patterned microstimulation framework, provide clear neurophysiological evidence that SB-TetMS offers a highly-effective procedure for modulating multiregional interactions, with important applications to treating disorders of large-scale brain networks.

Minimally-Perturbative Causal Network Analysis

Interactions across brain networks are often inferred from the structure of correlations in neural activity and from examining responses to large-amplitude and/or trains of stimulation pulses. However, interpreting specific activity patterns in a receiver as being due to interactions with a sender is subject to several confounds. Correlations in activity between two nodes are also sensitive to the confounding influence of common inputs from other brain regions. Consequently, correlation-based sampling can yield network edges even when the receiver does not receive any input from the sender (Pesaran et al., 2018). In contrast, while correlation-based sampling can be used to infer the strength of directed functional interactions (Keller et al., 2011; Khambhati et al., 2019; Solomon et al., 2018), causal sampling offers a more direct measure of functional interactions.

367 Inferring directed functional interactions by delivering either large-amplitude stimulation

368 pulse or multiple stimulation pulses in pulse trains suffers other confounds. Since stimulation

369 changes neural activity, stimulating may recruit network responses due to other mechanisms

370 (Herrington et al., 2016). If so, the measurement changes the interaction instead of probing the

371 interaction. Delivering a single low-amplitude (10-100 µA) microstimulation pulse therefore offers

372 the opportunity to probe network state while avoiding the confounding effects and network

373 responses elicited by macrostimulation pulses and pulse trains.

375 Our results provide multiple lines of evidence that the impact of the secondary

376 intervention is minimally-perturbative. First, we used single, bipolar, biphasic pulses of relatively

377 low-amplitude that are not necessarily expected to generate large-scale network responses.

378 Indeed, single microstimulation pulse has not been previously used to map large-scale networks

379 in the awake primate brain. The natural concern is that network responses following such

380 minimal perturbations may not be detectable. Second, following single microstimulation pulses

381 we observed sparse directed functional interactions instead of widespread network effects.

382 Approximately 0.6% of sampled sites showed statistically-significant responses. We should note

383 that sparsity may result from the presence of residual stimulation artifacts that obscure

384 responses at some sites. The degree of sparsity likely also reflects the minimally-perturbative

385 microstimulation approach we used, which is conservative and so may fail to drive detectable

386 responses at some sites where more pre-synaptic inputs might be required to produce

387 excitatory post-synaptic activity (Häusser et al., 2001). Sparsity also likely reflects the underlying

388 anatomical connections and the fact that many recording sites may not receive inputs from the

389 sender. Third, although the responses were sparse, they were strong, visible on a single-pulse

390 basis, and varied moment-by-moment. The presence of strong pulse-evoked responses

391 demonstrates the efficacy of the intervention and mitigates concern about false positives due to

392 multiple comparisons involving the number of tested network edges. The absence of pulse-

evoked responses at other times also demonstrates the receiver is perturbed at threshold and

hence that the secondary intervention is unlikely to be altering interactions across the network.

Network Mechanisms of Action of SB-TetMS

A large body of work has shown that electrical stimulation preferentially activates axons not

somas, which could cause both orthodromic and antidromic stimulation effects (Aberra et al.,

2018; Histed et al., 2009; Rattay, 1999; Tehovnik and Slocum, 2013; Tehovnik et al., 2006).

Antidromic responses tend to be stereotyped while orthodromic responses are more variable,

especially if trans-synaptically mediated. (Klink et al., 2017; Tehovnik and Slocum, 2013; Tolias

et al., 2005). The variable response to single pulses we observed therefore suggests they are

mediated orthodromically and trans-synaptically. The pulse-evoked LFP activity modulated by

SB-TetMS depends on the excitatory (e.g. AMPA) and inhibitory (e.g. GABA)-mediated post-

synaptic potentials at the receiver and their spatial distribution in response to pre-synaptic inputs

from the sender. Changes due to SB-TetMS may, therefore, change the relative strength of

excitatory and inhibitory responses, reducing excitatory and increasing inhibitory potentials. This

would be consistent with reductions in firing rate we observed. Alternatively, SB-TetMS

mediated changes may also induce spatial reorganization of the pre-synaptic inputs that

changes the strength of effective dipole moment generating the observed LFP activity (Mazzoni

et al., 2015). SB-TetMS mediated changes in pre-synaptic inputs may also disrupt excitatory-

inhibitory balance to induce long-term synaptic plasticity (Froemke, 2015). The absence of

responses following SB-TetMS that we observed might also reflect short-term depression in the

post-synaptic neurons.

Since network edges in multiregional networks reflect anatomical projection systems

containing white matter fiber tracts (Bassett and Sporns, 2017), the modulation of edges we

observed likely reflects axonal effects. This suggests that SB-TetMS delivered to the white

matter should have the greatest impact on multiregional interactions. However, we found that

SB-TetMS in white matter did not modulate receiver node activity overall even when receiver

node responses to stimulation of the sender were suppressed. Instead, our findings reinforce a

body of work showing that high-frequency stimulation at white matter modulator sites can

disrupt or block synaptic transmission from the sender to receiver (Grill et al., 2004; Jensen and

Durand, 2009; Lozano et al., 2019). Such effects are said to induce 'information lesions',

highlighting the potential for SB-TetMS as a tool to dynamically reconfigure network information

processing.

Interestingly, SB-TetMS delivered to the gray matter not only suppressed the edge

weight (100% of sites tested) but also reduced the β-activity at a significant minority of receiver

nodes (27.5%). Beta-band suppression by gray matter SB-TetMS is consistent with an

alternative 'synaptic filtering' hypothesis. According to synaptic filtering, a high-frequency

stimulation pulse train delivered to the pre-synaptic site induces short-term suppression that

selectively suppresses the synaptic transmission of low-frequency content contained in

stimulation-induced neural activity at the post-synaptic site (Rosenbaum et al., 2014). This

potential mechanism merits further investigation to examine changes on a longer time scale,

and may involve stimulation-induced long-term synaptic plasticity changes mediated by the

interplay between neuronal an non-neuronal cells, like astrocytes (McIntyre and Anderson,

2016). Examining changes due to long-term plasticity will be especially important for assessing

how other neural pathways compensate for disruptions to maladaptive networks and

dynamically reconfigure network functions (Johnson et al., 2013).

Two recent studies have used isolated pulses as a secondary intervention and a pulse

train as a primary intervention to examine changes in neural excitability across brain networks

(Keller et al., 2018; Rao et al., 2018). Unlike our approach, both studies applied primary and

secondary interventions at the same site. As a result, node-based and edge-based mechanisms

could not be dissociated specifically limiting the strength of conclusions regarding the network

mechanism of action. When both primary and secondary interventions are delivered to the

sender, any changes in the response of the receiver could have at least two origins. Changes in

the receiver node response may reflect changes in pre-synaptic activity recruited by the

secondary intervention. Changes in the receiver response may also reflect changes in the

impact of the primary intervention on the sender (Siebner et al., 2004). By delivering the primary

and secondary interventions to different sites, we could disambiguate the effects and investigate

dynamic changes in the weight of identified edges connecting different senders and receivers.

Critically, we could do so independently of intrinsic node activity at both the sender and the

receiver to specifically conclude that edge-based responses were disrupted.

We should also note that suppression of the evoked response to the Post-tetanic single

pulse may be confounded by an effect related to the phase of inhibition after the excitatory

response to the Pre-tetanic single pulse (Butovas and Schwarz, 2006; Logothetis et al., 2010;

Seidemann et al., 2002) or related to suppressed responses to paired microstimulation pulses

(Butovas and Schwarz, 2006; Castro-Alamancos and Connors, 1996). Our experimental design

employed Pre-tetanic and Post-tetanic single pulses separated by 0.75-3 s, mitigating such

concerns.

Intrinsic Network Dynamics Reveal Modulation Networks

The effects of SB-TetMS we report extend beyond putatively direct interactions. Our results

uncover hints of network mechanisms of neuromodulation. When examined pulse-by-pulse, the

causal network analysis revealed dynamics in the stimulation responses, suggesting that

changes in neural excitability can generate a form of network gating. By analyzing intrinsic

network dynamics before Pre-tetanic single pulses, we revealed sets of sites with activity that

can predict the changes in neural excitability between the sender and receiver. The presence of

these modulator sites showed that neuromodulation of neural excitability did not significantly

correlate with activity of both sender and receiver and was more likely to display receiver node-

modulation than sender node-modulation. Our experiments, however, did not constrain the

mechanism by which the modulator sites modulate neural excitability. We were not able to, for

example, test whether single-pulse stimulation of modulator sites drove responses in the

associated receiver nodes. Therefore, how modulators interact with the receiver and can

specifically modulate pre-synaptic inputs from the sender remains open.

Implications for Personalized Neuromodulation for Neuropsychiatric Disorders

The cortico-subcortical limbic network that we investigated plays a central role in mood

regulation (Drevets, 2001; Drysdale et al., 2017; Price and Drevets, 2010; Sani et al., 2018) and

reward processing (Nestler and Carlezon, 2006). Dysfunctions of this network, which disrupt the

learning of stimulus-reward encoding map in decision-making and motivation, underlie many

neuropsychiatric conditions. The clinical heterogeneity of these conditions affects multiple

overlapping circuits (Drysdale et al., 2017). How to identify appropriate biomarkers to correct

maladaptive neural circuits for effective treatment still remains challenging (Johnson et al.,

2013; Lozano et al., 2019). For example, several brain regions have been tested as stimulation

targets to treat depression, including subgenual cingulate cortex (Mayberg et al., 2005), lateral

OFC for (Rao et al., 2018), Amyg (Inman et al., 2018), and ventral capsule/ventral striatum

(Dougherty et al., 2015; Widge et al., 2019). However, the efficacy of stimulation has been

inconsistent across subjects. Inter-subject variability highlights the need to better understand

how to leverage intrinsic neural dynamics and neural plasticity across subjects in order to

restore normal stimulus-reward associations.

Our results offer new insights into how SB-TetMS may act to preferentially disrupt

processing across projections. For example, if we can identify damaged projection systems as

biomarkers of specific clinical-symptom profiles (Drysdale et al., 2017), applying SB-TetMS to

the identified projection systems may unwire the pathological connections and reconfigure

functional connectivity to normal state. Over the course of SB-TetMS treatment, a minimally-

perturbative casual network analysis can also assess and track how maladaptive multiregional

interactions are reconfigured in response to the treatment. Personalized, subject-specific

adjustments in how SB-TetMS is targeted as networks reconfigure may improve treatment

efficacy.

Going beyond focal electrical stimulation to target specific brain regions, our findings

imply that modulators distributed across interconnected networks may be effective targets for

SB-TetMS to modulate dynamics of multiregional interactions. Future work will likely benefit

from the ability to predict dynamic reconfiguration of modulation networks by optimizing

temporal and spatial patterns of stimulation (Choi et al., 2016; Khambhati et al., 2019; Muldoon

et al., 2016). To improve the precision of targeting multiregional projection systems, diffusion

tractography may be useful for developing a rational and personalized approach to probing

network dynamics (Riva-Posse et al., 2017). Guided by tractography, we can define each

individual's list of stimulation sites and compare possible differences in the impact of stimulation.

Conversely, when a stimulation site is discovered, we can identify projection systems to support

more detailed causal network perturbations. Finally, our approach using minimally-perturbative

causal network analysis can be generalized to uncover network mechanisms of action for other

neuromodulation modalities.

Figure Legends

Figure 1. Large-scale Semi-chronic Microdrive System Enables Targeting and Repeated Sampling of the Cortico-Subcortical Limbic Network

(A) Experimental design using multisite spatiotemporal patterned microstimulation framework to test alternative neuromodulation hypotheses of network mechanisms of action of SB-TetMS-based intervention (primary) — edge-modulation versus node-modulation.

(B) A solid model of the customized semi-chronic large-scale microdrive assembly.

(C) Implanted microdrive chamber co-registered with the MRI-based skull and brain surface reconstruction. Vertical black lines represent the co-registered electrodes in a given recording session. Anterior (A), posterior (P), dorsal (D), and ventral (V) directions are indicated.

(D) White and gray matter transitions of averaged evoked LFP patterns recorded from an example electrode in reaching epoch as the electrode travels through corpus callosum (CC), caudate nucleus (CN), internal capsule (IC), and external globus pallidus (GPe). Electrode depth was estimated from the cortical surface.

(E) Co-registered four samples of the electrode depth in CC, CN, IC, and GPe on the coronal MRI slice. Dorsal (D), ventral (V), left (L), and right (R) directions are indicated.

(F) Co-registration of the electrode tracks with anatomical parcellation of frontal lobe of Monkey M. Black dots represent the overlaid electrode grid. Yellow dot is the example electrode at the horizontal MRI slice depth in CN. Anterior (A), posterior (P), lateral (L), and medial (M) directions are indicated.

(G) Sampled brain regions (network nodes) illustrated using a DTI-based MR rhesus macaque brain atlas (Calabrese et al., 2015) from the Scalable Brain Atlas. Anterior (A), posterior (P), dorsal (D), ventral (V), left (L), and right (R) directions are indicated.

(H) Non-overlapping network edge samples between sampled network nodes. Anterior (A), posterior (P), dorsal (D), and ventral (V) directions are indicated.

See also **Figure S1**.

Figure 2. Causal Network Analysis Identifies Directed Network Edges

(A) Using single, bipolar, biphasic, charge-balanced microstimulation pulses at the sender to causally sample network edge that showed directed functional interaction between the sender and receiver (sender→receiver). Example of a pulse event recorded at a CN receiver in response to a single microstimulation pulse delivered at an OFC sender (30 µA, 100 µs/ph). We defined the epoch before pulse onset as "Pulse Null" and the epoch after pulse onset as "Pulse Event".

(B) Example showing single bipolar microstimulation pulses (10 µA, 100 µs/ph) at an OFC sender drove both multiunit activity and LFP response recorded at a CN receiver, peaking approximately at 46 ms after the pulse onset. Data from -1 ms to 5 ms around the pulse onset were not used for multiunit activity analysis due to stimulation artifact. Error values of evoked LFP response are s.e.m. (n = 52). Anterior (A), posterior (P), lateral (L), and medial (M) directions are indicated.

(C) Example showing delivery of single bipolar microstimulation pulses (50 µA, 100 µs/ph) at an OFC sender revealed the significant focal evoked LFP responses recorded at two sites in the principal sulcus (ps) distant from the stimulating site, rather than at the site nearby. MRI on the left is overlaid at the depth of the OFC stimulating sites (magenta dots). MRI on the right is overlaid at the depth of the ps recording sites (blue dots). Anterior (A), posterior (P), lateral (L), and medial (M) directions are indicated.

(D) Scatter plots of average response latencies and correct detection rates of detected network edge samples that showed directed functional interactions (Monkey M, 40; Monkey A, 38).

(E) Histograms of the average response latencies and correct detection rates of all detected network edge samples.

(F) Diagram of the network edges showing statistically significant directed functional interactions. Anterior (A), posterior (P), dorsal (D), and ventral (V) directions are indicated.

See also **Figures S2** and **S3**, **Tables S1** and **S2**.

Figure 3. Conceptual Framework to Test Edge-Modulation and Receiver Node-Modulation

Hypotheses

(A) Design of the multisite spatiotemporal patterned microstimulation framework to test network

mechanisms of SB-TetMS — edge-modulation versus receiver node-modulation hypotheses.

Illustration of how a SB-TetMS delivered at a modulator site affects the edge weight and the

receiver node activity. For each stimulation bout, τ_{Pre} is the post Pre-tetanic single pulse epoch

before the TetMS onset, T is the duration of TetMS with a given frequency (f_{stim}), and τ_{Post} is the

latency between TetMS offset and Post-tetanic single pulse onset. The gray shaded rectangles

are the 100-ms epochs for computing Pre-state RMS and Post-state RMS of the neural activity

recorded at the receiver, respectively.

(B) Illustration of testing edge-modulation hypothesis by comparing Pre-tetanic and Post-tetanic

evoked potentials.

(C) Illustration of testing receiver node-modulation hypothesis by comparing the RMS of neural

Pre-state and Post-state activity recorded at the receiver. RMS denotes the root mean square.

Figure 4. SB-TetMS Suppresses Directed Functional Interactions across Network Edges

(A) Example of how a SB-TetMS (T = 50-500 ms, f_{stim} = 100 Hz, 30 µA, 100 µs/ph) delivered at an OFC modulator (orange dots) suppressed the directed functional interaction across a network edge Amyg→OFC revealed by evoked response in OFC (blue dot) to single microstimulation pulses (40 µA, 100 µs/ph; τ_{Pre} = 500 ms and τ_{Post} = 25-100 ms) delivered at an OFC sender (magenta dots). Anterior (A), posterior (P), lateral (L), and medial (M) directions are indicated.

(B) Z-scored pulse-triggered average LFP responses (n = 322) to Pre-tetanic and Post-tetanic single pulses for the example network edge Amyg→OFC, respectively.

(C) Heat map of evoked LFP responses recorded at the OFC receiver across all events during Pre-tetanic and Post-tetanic epochs, respectively.

(D) Scatter plots of Pre-state RMS versus Post-state RMS of β and high-γ neural activity of the OFC receiver, respectively. p = 0.046 (β) and 0.36 (high-γ), Wilcoxon rank sum test. RMS denotes the root mean square.

(E) Example of how a SB-TetMS (T = 250 ms, f_{stim} = 200 Hz, 20 µA, 100 µs/ph) delivered at a modulator in corpus callosum (CC, orange dots) suppressed the directed functional interaction across a network edge OFC→ACC revealed by evoked response in ACC (blue dot) to single microstimulation pulses (30 µA, 100 µs/ph; τ_{Pre} = 500 ms and τ_{Post} = 0, 50 ms) delivered in OFC (magenta dots). as: arcuate sulcus; cs: central sulcus; ps: principal sulcus; Anterior (A), posterior (P), lateral (L), and medial (M) directions are indicated.

(F) Z-scored pulse-triggered average LFP responses (n = 110) to Pre-tetanic and Post-tetanic single pulses for the example network edge OFC→ACC, respectively.

(G) Heat map of the evoked LFP responses recorded at the ACC receiver across all events during Pre- and Post-tetanic epochs, respectively.

(H) Scatter plots of Pre-state RMS versus Post-state RMS of β and high-γ neural activity of the ACC receiver, respectively. p = 0.31 (β) and 0.48 (high-γ), Wilcoxon rank sum test.

Figure 5. Intrinsic Network Activity Predicts Dynamics of Neural Excitability

(A) Illustration of dynamics of directed functional interaction from the sender to receiver modulated by intrinsic network dynamics of modulators.

(B) Illustration of directed functional interaction across the example network edge Amyg→OFC (**Figure 4**A) modulated by the intrinsic activity recorded at a Put and PPC modulator (as: arcuate sulcus; ips: intraparietal sulcus). Anterior (A), posterior (P), dorsal (D), ventral (V), lateral (L), and medial (M) directions are indicated.

(C) Heat map of the evoked LFP responses recorded at the OFC receiver. Waveforms are sorted by latency marked as black crosses. First 5-ms data after the pulse onset were not used due to stimulation artifact. The best correct detect performance decoding single microstimulation pulse of LFP response was 64%, with a 30% false alarm and 6% unknown. The average response latency at this false alarm rate was 64 ms.

(D) Pulse-triggered average evoked responses for correctly detected 'Hit' events (black, n = 206) and not detected 'Miss' events (green, n = 116). Error values are s.e.m.

(E) Spectrograms of the baseline LFP activity (before Pre-tetanic single pulse onset) of a Put and PPC modulator, respectively, computed as z-score magnitude of difference between 'Hit' and 'Miss' events detected based on the stimulation responses recorded at the OFC receiver. Black contour highlights the area of significance (permutation test, cluster-corrected for multiple comparisons; n = 10,000, $p < 0.05$, two-tailed test).

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886 **STAR METHODS**

887 **KEY RESOURCES TABLE**

REAGENT or RESOURCE	SOURCE	IDENTIFIER
Software and Algorithms		
Custom code and algorithms in MATLAB	This paper	N/A
Experimental hardware		
Microelectrodes (recording)	Alpha Omega single electrodes	http://www.ao-neuro.com/index.php?route=product/product&path=65&product_id=63
Microelectrodes (recording and microstimulation)	MicroProbes monopolar electrodes	https://microprobes.com/products/metal-microelectrodes/monopolar-electrodes/platinum-iridium
Neural recordings and amplifier	NSpike NDAQ system, Harvard Instrumentation	http://nspike.sourceforge.net/#Overview
Microstimulator	Blackrock Microsystems CereStim R96	https://blackrockmicro.com/neuroscience-research-products/ephys-stimulation-systems/cerestim-96-neurostimulation-system/
Stim-record headstages	Blockrock Microsystems	https://blackrockmicro.com/neuroscience-research-products/ephys-headstages/analog-headstages/

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

Large-scale microdrive system design

We developed a customized large-scale semi-chronic microdrive system for mapping and

manipulating large-scale network dynamics. The screw-driven actuation mechanism of the

microdrive provides bi-directionally independent control of the position of 220 microelectrodes

(1.5-mm spacing) along a single axis with a range up to 32 mm (Monkey M) and 40 mm (Monkey

A) with 125-µm pitch (Dotson et al., 2017). Each actuator consists of a lead screw, a teardrop

brass shuttle bonded to the electrode tail with conductive epoxy, and a compression spring. Each

electrode can be moved with an accuracy of approximately 15 µm. For Monkey M, we distributed

two types of microelectrode in the microdrive, 160 platinum/iridium (Pt/Ir) electrodes

(MicroProbes, Gaithersburg, MD) with impedance 0.1–0.5 MΩ for extracellular recording and

microstimulation, and 60 tungsten electrodes (Alpha Omega, Israel) for extracellular recording

with impedance 0.8–1.2 MΩ. For Monkey A, we loaded 220 Pt/Ir electrodes (MicroProbes,

Gaithersburg, MD) with impedance 0.5 MΩ for extracellular recording and microstimulation.

Electrode impedances were measured at 1 kHz (Bak Electronics, Umatilla, FL). The tungsten

electrode's shank diameter was 125 μm and its total diameter was 250 μm with glass insulation.

The Pt/Ir electrode's shank diameter was 225 μm and its total diameter was 304 μm with

parylene C and polyimide insulation.

Magnetic resonance imaging and processing

We reconstructed each monkey's brain, skull and cerebral vasculature (Brainsight®, Rogue

Research, Montreal, QC) from anatomical magnetic resonance images (MRIs) and MRIs using

ABLAVAR® contrast agent for angiography with a T1-weighted magnetization-prepared rapid

acquisition gradient-echo (MPRAGE) sequence. We also performed multishell high-angular

resolution diffusion imaging (HARDI) tractography (Jbabdi et al., 2012) registered to microdrive

implantation. We collected diffusion weighted images to reconstruct white matter tracts

connecting key cortical and subcortical areas of interest. During MRI procedures, the monkeys

were anesthetized with isoflurane and placed in the scanner in sphinx position. We acquired data

with a 3-Tesla (3T) Siemens Allegra (Erlangen, Germany) using 3 elements out of a 4-channel

phased array from Nova Medical Inc. (Wilmington, MA) and 64 gradient directions in 1.2 mm^2 in-

plane resolution (TR = 7000 ms; TE = 110 ms; b-values: 0, 750, 1500, 2250 s/mm^2; FOV: 80×64

pixels; slices: 48; slice thickness: 1.2 mm; DWI to b_0 ratio 65:1). To correct for geometric

distortions from field inhomogeneities caused by the non-zero off-resonance fields, we collected

data with reversed phase-encode blips, forming pairs of images with distortions going in opposite

directions. From these pairs, we estimated the susceptibility-induced off-resonance field using

FSL's TOPUP tool (Smith et al., 2004). We combined the two images into a single corrected

image. We corrected Eddy currents generated by the 64 gradient directions using FSL's eddy

tool (Andersson and Sotiropoulos, 2015).

Experimental preparation

All surgical and experimental procedures were performed in compliance with the National

Institute of Health Guide for Care and Use of Laboratory Animals and were approved by the New

York University Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee. Two male rhesus macaques

(*Macaca mulatta*) participated in the study (Monkey M, 8.4 kg and Monkey A, 7 kg at the

beginning of the experiments). We performed a craniotomy and dura thinning on the targeted

brain regions over the left (Monkey M) and right (Monkey A) hemispheres. We implanted a

customized large-scale recording chamber (Gray Matter Research, Bozeman, MT) fitted to the

skull surface using MR-guided stereotaxic surgical techniques (Brainsight®, Rogue Research,

Montreal, QC) (Qiao et al., 2016). We aligned the chamber and registered it within 1 mm of the

target coordinates (nominally 0.4 mm) and affixed and sealed it to the skull surface via C&B-

METABOND® (Parknell Inc., Edgewood, NY) and dental acrylic. We then mounted the microdrive

into the chamber and sealed it with compressed gaskets and room-temperature-vulcanizing

(RTV) sealant (734 flowable sealant, Dow Corning, Midland, MI). To limit damage to the

vasculature, midline, and ventricles when lowering electrodes, we only advanced a subset of

electrodes along trajectories considered safe, greater than 2 mm from MR-visible vasculature,

ventricles, and midline.

Neural recordings and microstimulation

The monkeys were awake, head-restrained and seated in a primate chair placed in an unlit

sound-attenuated electromagnetically shielded booth (ETS Lindgren). Neural recordings were

referenced to a ground screw implanted in the left posterior parietal lobe (Monkey M) and left

occipital lobe (Monkey A), respectively, with the tip of the screw just piercing through the dura

mater. Neural signals from all channels were simultaneously amplified and digitized at 30 kHz

with 16 bits of resolution with the lowest significant bit equal to 0.1 µV (NSpike, Harvard

Instrumentation Lab; unit gain headstage, Blackrock Microsystems), and continuously streamed

to disk during the experiment with lights switched off in the recording booth.

We applied microstimulation using a bipolar configuration, made by simultaneously

sending a biphasic charge-balanced square wave pulse via a pair of Pt/Ir microelectrodes with

the same pulse amplitude, pulse width, and interphase interval, but opposite polarity (e.g.

cathode-lead for electrode 1 and anode-lead for electrode 2) (Cerestim R96, Blackrock

Microsystems, Salt Lake City, UT). We used the pulse width as 100 µs per phase and

interphase interval as 53 µs for all stimulation sessions. The Pt/Ir microelectrodes had a typical

tip geometric surface area of 223 ± 37 µm^2. For instance, a single pulse, with amplitude of 40

µA and width of 100 µs per phase (4 nC/ph), could yield a charge density of approximately 1800

µC/cm^2. We simultaneously recorded neural signals from all electrodes while stimulating at

certain pair of electrodes. No seizure activity due to stimulation was detected during

experiments.

We implemented two microstimulation protocols to perform causal network analysis.

Primarily used in this study, we designed a novel multisite spatiotemporal patterned

microstimulation framework to assess changes in the weight of network edges identified using

evoked LFP responses to single microstimulation pulses. For each stimulation bout, the

stimulation pattern started with a Pre-tetanic single microstimulation pulse from a pair of

electrodes at a network site (sender) to identify the network edges, followed by a TetMS from

another pair of electrodes at another network site (modulator), and followed by a Post-tetanic

single microstimulation pulse at the sender. The latency between the Pre-tetanic pulse and the

onset of the TetMS (τ_{Pre}) was either 0.5 or 1 s. The duration (T) of the TetMS pulse train and the

latency (τ_{Probe}) between the offset of TetMS pulse train and the onset of Post-tetanic single pulse

varied in a pseudo-random fashion bout by bout (T: range = 50-2000 ms; τ_{post}: range = 0-200

ms; mean: 57 ms; and median: 50 ms; see **Table S1**). We also varied the inter-trial interval trial

by trial (duration of each stimulation bout plus 2-4 s variation). We summarized all stimulation

parameters in **Table S1**. We defined the edge weight of identified network edges as the peak

magnitude of pulse-triggered averaged evoked LFP response within a 100-ms post single-pulse

epoch.

We also used a single-pulse microstimulation protocol using either periodic or Poisson

pulse train (Shewcraft et al., 2019) to identify network edges. This protocol consisted of 1-s

pulse trains and 1-3 s baseline epochs. Due to stimulation artifact, to preserve a minimum 100-

ms post single-pulse epoch for analyzing the response to each of pulses, we used pulse train

frequencies of 5 and 10 Hz with corresponding refractory period of 200 and 100 ms,

respectively.

Of 266 stimulation site-amplitude combinations tested to establish the threshold

microstimulation, 16 site-amplitude combinations revealed 78 significant functional interactions

between the sender and receiver in 21 network edges. The established threshold for single

pulses ranged from 10 to 100 µA with a median amplitude of 40 µA (**Table S1**).

QUANTIFICATION AND STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Estimation of sampled brain network nodes and edges

We consider each brain region to be a network node. We sampled each node by positioning an

electrode at a site in the node. For every pair of electrodes that simultaneously recorded activity

in two nodes, we obtained one sample of the network edge connecting the two nodes.

Repeated node sampling enabled repeated edge sampling. With M electrodes positioned at

different sites in Node1, and N less than M electrodes in Node2, we obtained N non-overlapping

samples of the Node1-Node2 network edge. In Monkey M, we sampled four cortical nodes at

3521 sites (1506 OFC, 890 ACC, 817 PFC, and 308 M1 sites) and three subcortical nodes at

1125 sites (915 CN, 122 Put, and 88 GP sites). In Monkey A, we sampled seven cortical nodes

at 3900 sites (319 OFC, 469 ACC, 343 PCC, 427 PFC, 713 M1, 429 S1, and 1200 PPC sites)

and eight subcortical nodes at 997 sites (614 CN, 214 Put, 59 GP, 45 Amyg, 25 PrS, 20 SI, 2

BFB, and 18 NAc). We targeted our causal network analysis to 9548 samples from the cortico-

subcortical limbic network across two monkeys, specifically for 1359 OFC-ACC, 1244 OFC-

PFC, 1529 OFC-CN, 336 OFC-Put, 45 OFC-Amyg, 1244 ACC-PFC, 1359 ACC-CN, 336 ACC-

Put, 45 ACC-Amyg, 1244 PFC-CN, 336 PFC-Put, 45 PFC-Amyg, 336 CN-Put, 45 CN-Amyg,

and 45 Put-Amgy interactions.

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Pulse-triggered evoked potentials

We obtained LFP activity offline by low-pass filtering the broadband raw recording at 400 Hz

using a multitaper filter with time duration of 0.025 s, frequency bandwidth of 400 Hz, and center

frequency of 0 Hz, and then down-sampled to 1 kHz from 30 kHz. To limit the common-mode

confounds of the neural recordings, we digitally referenced the neural signal of each channel to

its nearest neighbor within 3 mm based on the electrode depth. We removed the events from

the analysis if they exceeded 10 standard deviations of from the mean across the stimulation

event pool. We also removed noisy or bad channels via visual inspection. Pulse-triggered

evoked potentials were computed by averaging LFPs aligned to the onset time of each single

pulse. The z-scored pulse-triggered evoked potentials were then computed using the standard

deviation (SD) of the baseline (-30 to -5 ms). We computed the baseline SD for each electrode

separately using all time points in the baseline window of the pulse-triggered evoked potential.

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Pulse-triggered multiunit activity

We obtained multiunit activity (MUA) offline by first band-pass filtering the broadband raw

recording from 0.3 to 6.6 kHz with time duration of 0.01 s, frequency bandwidth of 3 kHz, and

center frequency of 3.3 kHz. We then applied a 3.5 standard deviation threshold to identify

putative spikes (1.6-ms duration). We labeled all waveforms that exceeded this peak as

multiunit action potentials. We computed multiunit peristimulus time histograms (PSTH) by

aligning MUA to the onset time of each single pulse. Individual spikes were collected in 1 ms

bins and the corresponding histogram was smoothed by convolving with a Gaussian function

with a standard deviation of 5 ms. Data from -1 ms to 5 (or 10) ms around the single pulse onset

were not used for multiunit activity analysis due to stimulation artifact.

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Detection of pulse-evoked LFP responses using stimAccLLR model

To quantify the detection of evoked responses to microstimulation on a single-pulse basis, we

used the stimulation-based accumulating log-likelihood ratio (stimAccLLR) method to determine

when selectivity in the LFP activity for the null and alternative hypotheses emerged, i.e. the

latency of a stimulation response. The latency from single microstimulation pulses was

determined by the time at which Pulse Event reached a detection threshold. The threshold was

selected based on a trade-off between speed (latency) and accuracy (probability of correct

classification) as we increased the level of the detection thresholds from AccLLR equal to zero

(**Figure S4**).

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In the stimAccLLR method, we defined a probabilistic model of the LFP activity for the

two alternatives being tested. To determine the latency for a response to single microstimulation

pulses, we define the two alternative hypotheses into "condition 1" and "condition 2", where

"condition 1" represents the LFP activity (Pulse Event) in the post-stimulus epoch, while

"condition 2" represents LFP activity (Pulse Null) in the pre-stimulus epoch. We performed

stimAccLLR on all stimulation response to single microstimulation pulses, combining all Pre-

tetanic single pulses using the multisite spatiotemporal patterned microstimulation protocol and

all the single pulses using the Poisson burst microstimulation protocol. For Pre-tetanic single

pulses, Pulse Event was the 100-ms LFP activity after Pre-tetanic pulse onset plus 5 or 10-ms

blanking epoch due to stimulation artifact, while Pulse Null was the 100-ms LFP activity before

Pre-tetanic pulse onset. For single pulses in the Poisson burst, Pulse Event was the 50-ms LFP

activity after each pulse onset plus 5 or 10-ms blanking epoch due to stimulation artifact, while

Pulse Null was the 50-ms LFP activity before each pulse onset.

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We modeled LFP activity as independent observations from an underlying Gaussian

distribution. The signal $x(t)$ at time t is expressed as a mean waveform $\mu(t)$ with additive

Gaussian noise, $\varepsilon(t)$

$$x(\mathrm{t}) = \mu(t) + \varepsilon(t)$$

The likelihood of observed data $x(t)$ being generated by each model was given by

$$P[x(t) - \mu(t)|\sigma^2] \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

The likelihood ratio, $LLR(t)$, at time t for two time-varying Gaussian LFP models, assuming the

noise in both models had the same variance, σ^2, was given by

$$LLR(t) = \log\frac{P[x(t) - \mu_1(t)|\sigma^2]}{P[x(t) - \mu_2(t)|\sigma^2]} = \frac{(x(t) - \mu_2(t))^2 - (x(t) - \mu_1(t))^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

Finally, we calculated the accumulated log-likelihood ratio by summing log-likelihoods over time:

$$AccLLR(t) = \sum_{t'=0}^{t} LL(t')$$

To quantify signal selectivity, we performed a receiver-operating characteristic (ROC)

analysis on the AccLLR values. Analysis was performed every millisecond to discriminate

activity from "condition 1" and "condition 2" events. We defined overall signal selectivity as the

choice probability from the ROC analysis at the end of a 100-ms or 50-ms accumulation interval.

We summarized the detectable frequency of the stimulation response to a single

microstimulation pulses between brain regions. We run a binomial test at the significant level of

0.05 to determine if some causally sampled network edges that showed significant directed

functional interactions were more likely selective than others.

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Identifying modulators using intrinsic network dynamics

To identify modulators for each of identified network edges, we grouped the Pre-tetanic single

pulse baseline LFP activity (500-ms epoch before pulse onset) of all sampled sites into two

categories based on 'Hit' and 'Miss' trials detected from the stimAccLLR procedure. We

estimated the power spectral density (PSD) of pre-pulse baseline LFP activity using multitaper

methods with 500-ms sliding window with ±2-Hz smoothing. We removed the events from the

analysis if they exceeded 10 standard deviations of from the mean across the stimulation event

pool. We then performed the ROC analysis to test if the respective LFP power of each recorded

site in 'Hit' events was significantly different from 'Miss' events in frequency bands of θ (4-7 Hz),

β (14-30 Hz), and γ (32-60 Hz), respectively. We defined the recording site in the gray matter

with the area under ROC curve (AUC) greater than a threshold as modulators that significantly

modulated pulse-triggered stimulation responses in different frequency bands, where the

threshold was set when AUC was 95% confidence interval (one-tailed test) above chance. We

focused on this analysis using the data collected in the multisite spatiotemporal patterned

microstimulation framework.

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Spectrogram of modulator baseline intrinsic neural activity

To test whether the baseline intrinsic activity of tested modulators significantly modulated

stimulation responses at the receiver, we first sorted the events by detected 'Hit' and 'Miss'

events. We then estimated spectrograms of modulator intrinsic LFP activity (1-s epoch before

Pre-tetanic single pulse onset) in 'Hit' and 'Miss' events, respectively, using multitaper methods

with 500-ms sliding window with ±5-Hz smoothing and 5-ms stepping between spectral

estimates. We tested the difference in LFP power between 'Hit' and 'Miss' events against a null

hypothesis that there was no LFP power difference using a permutation test (10,000

permutations). To generate the null distribution for no LFP power difference, we randomly

shuffled the order of combined 'Hit' and 'Miss' events, followed by computing shuffled LFP

power difference between 'Hit' and 'Miss' events. For the significant regions presented in the

spectrograms ($p < 0.05$, two-tailed test), we applied a cluster correction to correct for multiple

comparisons at the significant level of 0.05 (Maris et al., 2007).

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1113 **Correlation analysis of intrinsic neural dynamics**

1114 To examine the relationship of intrinsic neural dynamics between the modulator, sender, and

1115 receiver, we performed Spearman's rank correlation analysis using the baseline LFP activity

1116 (500-ms epoch before Pre-tetanic single pulses) at the significant level of 0.05 (modulator vs

1117 sender; modulator vs receiver).

Figure 1

Figure 2

Figure 3

A

Modulator

Sender — Edge → Receiver

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Bout(i)

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T(i)

τ_{Pre} τ_{Post}(i)

$1/f_{Stim}$

Pre   Post

Pre state   Post state

B   Edge-modulation

Idealized
Pre/Post tetanic
evoked potential

Potential
post-tetanus
outcome

Stimulation
pulse

Suppression

Facilitation

C   Node-modulation
(receiver)

Post-state RMS

Facilitation

Suppression

Pre-state RMS

Figure 4

A Modulator in gray matter

Amyg OFC OFC

B Edge-modulation

OFC Pulse-triggered average

C Pre / Post

D Node-modulation (receiver)

p = 0.046 β

p = 0.36 high-γ

E Modulator in white matter

OFC ACC CC

F Edge-modulation

ACC Pulse-triggered average

G Pre / Post

H Node-modulation (receiver)

p = 0.31 β

p = 0.48 high-γ

Figure 5

Figure S1

Figure S1. Using Depth Profile of Task-evoked LFP Activity Changes to Validate Anatomical Targeting, Related to Figure 1

(A) Large-scale modular implant system for simultaneous recording and manipulation in the cortico-subcortical limbic network (Monkey A).

(B) Co-registration of the electrode tracks with anatomical parcellation of white matter and grey matter of the frontal lobe of monkey M. Black dots represent the overlaid microdrive electrode grid. Red dots are the example electrode at two different horizontal MRI slice depths (top: CN, caudate nucleus; bottom: IC, internal capsule).

(C-E) Depth profile of an example electrode showing different averaged evoked LFP patterns and single-trial raw event traces in CN and IC, respectively, during the reaching epoch while the animal performed a two-alternative forced-choice task. Electrode depth was estimated from the cortical surface. Higher evoked LFPs in CN correraltes with higher spiking activity.

Figure S2

Figure S2. Pulse-triggered evoked potentials due to single, monopolar, biphasic, charge-balanced cathode-lead microstimulation pulses (40 μA, 100 μs), demonstrating stimulation responses at the near-stimulation sites might be contaminated by stimulation current spread, Related to Figure 2

CN: caudate nucleus; as: arcuate sulcus; ps: principal sulcus. Anterior (A), posterior (P), lateral (L), and medial (M) directions are indicated.

Figure S3

Figure S3. Anatomical locations of the single-pulse and tetanic bipolar microstimulation sites overlaid with horizontal MRI slices, Related to Figures 2, 4, and 5, and Table S1

Negative sign indicates cathode and positive sign indicates anode.

Figure S4

Figure S4. Identification of Network Edges Using stimAccLLR, Related to Figure 5

(A-C) The stimAccLLR results for the example network edge Amyg→OFC.

(A) Mean AccLLR of all stimulation trials during the pre-stimulus (red, Pulse Null) and post-stimulus (blue, Pulse Event) epoch (100-ms window). Error values are s.e.m., n = 322. First 5-ms data after the stimulation onset were not used due to stimulation artifact.

(B) Choice probability from the receiver-operating characteristic (ROC) analysis applied to AccLLR traces at each time bin following onset for null and event. The shaded area represents 95% confidence intervals.

(C) Probability of correctly detecting a single pulse from Pulse Event, 'hit' (cross), and incorrectly detecting a single pulse from Pulse Null, 'false alarm' (circle), plotted against the selection time as the level of the detection threshold is varied.

Figure S5

Figure S5. Comparison of driven multiunit activity of the caudate receiver between 'Hit' and 'Miss' events, Related to Figure 5

The neural activity recorded in a CN receiver was driven by single, bipolar, biphasic, charge-balanced cathode-lead microstimulation pulses (10 µA, 100 µs) delivered at an OFC sender. Driven multiunit activity are shown as raster plots and peristimulus histograms (PSTH). Error values of the driven LFP activity are s.e.m. Anterior (A), posterior (P), lateral (L), and medial (M) directions are indicated.

Figure S6

Figure S6. Fisher's Exact Test for stimAccLLR and GMM Classification Results, Related to Figure 5

(A) An example causally sampled network edge Amyg→OFC with the heat map of the pulse-by-pulse stimulation responses sorted by latencies. Anterior (A), posterior (P), lateral (L), and medial (M) directions are indicated.

(B) Cluster plots of the waveforms of Pulse Events (100-ms epoch, 5 ms after pulse onset) between the first two projected dimensions. Left: color-coded based on the stimAccLLR result showing correctly 'Hit' vs 'Miss' events; Right: color-coded using the Gaussian mixture model (GMM) classifer.

(C) Contingency table for Fisher's exact test on the data shown in (B). *P*-value of 9.05e-16 indicates that there is significant association between the classification results using AccLLR and GMM (two-tailed test, significance level = 0.05).

(D-E) P-values of all causally sampled network edges that showed directed funtional interactions and example stimAccLLR results.

Table S1. Summary of Stimulation Parameters for 78 Significant Network Edge Causal Samples, Related to Figures 2, 4, and 5, Figure S3

| Single-pulse microstimulation identified causal network edge | | | | TetMS pulse train | | | | | | Edge modulation | Receiver node modulation (Median RMS comparison between Pre-state and Post-state) | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | High gamma (70-150 Hz) | | | Beta (10-30 Hz) | | |
Sender	Amp (µA)	Pulse width (µs)	Receiver	Tetanic modulator	Amp (µA)	Pulse width (µs)	Dur (ms)	Freq (Hz)	Post latency (ms)	Post-tetanic Effect	Pre-state RMS (µV)	Post-state RMS (µV)	p-val	Pre-state RMS (µV)	Post-state RMS (µV)	p-val
							Multisite spatiotemporal patterned microstimulation protocol									
Amyg	40	100	ACC	OFC	30	100	50-500[a]	100	25-100[b]	Suppression	0.98	0.98	0.87	1.72	1.69	0.43
Amyg	40	100	CN	OFC	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.14	1.14	0.85	1.86	1.83	0.73
Amyg	40	100	GPe	OFC	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	2.38	2.42	0.49	6.11	5.82	0.54
Amyg	40	100	OFC	OFC	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.23	1.24	0.42	1.87	1.84	0.36
Amyg	40	100	OFC	OFC	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.9	0.91	0.36	1.68	1.62	0.046
Amyg	40	100	OFC	OFC	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.83	0.83	0.87	1.09	1.01	0.088
Amyg	40	100	OFC	OFC	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.67	1.59	0.24	2.77	2.67	0.15
Amyg	40	100	OFC	OFC	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.27	1.26	0.53	1.63	1.45	<0.01
Amyg	40	100	OFC	OFC	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	2.63	2.64	0.33	3.11	2.98	0.085
Amyg	40	100	Put	OFC	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.97	0.98	0.84	2.26	2.26	0.93
BFB	60	100	Put	CN	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	2.04	2.06	0.48	4.58	4.42	0.53
CN	20	100	ACC	ACC	40	100	250	100	20	Suppression	0.88	0.87	0.79	1.18	1.24	0.48
CN	60	100	ACC	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.79	0.80	0.67	1.64	1.62	0.41
CN	60	100	CN*[#]	OFC	30	100	1000	100	50	Suppression	3.60	3.43	0.23	7.65	7.79	0.58
CN	60	100	CN*	OFC	30	100	1000	100	50	Suppression	3.63	3.46	0.19	8.37	8.73	0.35
CN	60	100	CN	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.56	0.57	0.62	0.70	0.65	0.17
CN	60	100	CN	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.55	0.54	0.27	0.7	0.67	0.13
CN	60	100	CN	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.72	0.72	0.66	0.88	0.86	0.23
CN	60	100	CN	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.46	0.48	0.27	0.77	0.75	0.45
CN	60	100	CN	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.74	0.72	0.86	2.55	2.73	0.068
CN	60	100	GPe	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	3.94	4.2	<0.01	4.6	4.76	0.29
CN	60	100	OFC	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.98	2.01	0.59	2.23	2.09	0.22
CN	60	100	OFC	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.88	1.88	0.79	2.11	1.96	0.087
CN	60	100	OFC	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.37	1.37	0.79	2.41	2.08	<0.01
CN	60	100	OFC	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	2.19	2.48	<0.01	3.14	2.97	0.039
CN	60	100	Put	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.44	1.43	0.36	1.54	1.53	0.73
CN	60	100	Put	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.31	1.31	0.90	1.39	1.20	<0.01
CN	60	100	Put	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	2	2	0.74	4.55	4.22	0.16
CN	60	100	Put	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.54	0.54	0.82	1.61	1.40	0.097
CN	60	100	Put	BFB	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.07	1	<0.01	2.91	2.67	0.014
NAc	30	100	PPC	PrS	20	100	100-1000[c]	100	50-200	Suppression	0.76	0.75	0.67	3.89	3.7	0.26
OFC	30	100	ACC	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.87	0.9	0.27	1.22	1.17	0.50
OFC	30	100	ACC*	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.54	0.54	0.48	1.53	1.58	0.31
OFC	30	100	ACC	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.82	0.79	0.18	0.44	0.49	0.38
OFC	30	100	ACC	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.83	0.86	0.36	1.7	1.81	0.73
OFC	30	100	ACC	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	2.34	2.32	0.68	2.37	2.42	0.99
OFC	30	100	ACC	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	1.42	1.47	0.85	3.01	3.12	0.53
OFC	40	100	CN	Amyg	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.18	1.19	0.61	1.97	1.81	0.05
OFC	30	100	CN	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.85	0.68	<0.01	1.66	1.44	0.21
OFC	30	100	CN	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.49	0.46	0.08	0.88	0.87	0.72
OFC	30	100	CN	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	3.86	1.73	<0.01	4.56	4.12	0.035
OFC	30	100	CN	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.55	0.53	0.35	0.86	0.79	0.78
OFC	30	100	CN	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	1.36	1.37	0.4	2.34	2.61	0.27
OFC	30	100	CN	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.73	0.68	0.22	1.44	1.50	0.13
OFC	30	100	CN*[#]	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	6.02	5.72	0.4	19.35	21.4	0.23
OFC	100	100	CN*	OFC	100	100	1000	100	100	Suppression	2.55	2.45	0.1	8	8.06	0.64
OFC	40	100	GPe	Amyg	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	2.40	2.41	0.94	5.94	5.84	0.60
OFC	30	100	M1*	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.38	0.38	0.9	0.69	0.69	0.82
OFC	30	100	M1	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	2.30	2.28	0.63	4-02	3.99	0.75
OFC	30	100	M1	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	4.56	3.92	<0.01	10.79	9	0.16
OFC	40	100	OFC	Amyg	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.89	0.92	0.13	1.82	1.63	0.014
OFC	40	100	OFC	Amyg	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.66	1.63	0.39	3.09	2.62	<0.01
OFC	40	100	OFC	Amyg	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	1.24	1.29	0.28	1.62	1.49	0.011
OFC	40	100	OFC	Amyg	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	2.56	2.55	0.57	3.24	3.02	0.02
OFC	30	100	OFC	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.46	0.45	0.4	0.55	0.49	0.17

OFC	30	100	PFC	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	**5.53**	**4.46**	**<0.01**	6.47	6.29	0.43
OFC	30	100	PFC*	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.81	0.81	0.82	1.76	1.77	0.93
OFC	30	100	PFC*	CC	20	100	250	200	0, 50	Suppression	0.75	0.78	0.35	2.09	2.05	0.74
OFC	60	100	PFC	Put	30	100	1000	100	0, 50	Bad						
OFC	40	100	Put	Amyg	30	100	50-500	100	25-100	Suppression	0.98	0.97	0.59	**2.55**	**2.25**	**0.04**
PFC	40	100	Put	OFC	30	100	250-2000[d]	100	50-200[e]	Suppression	0.95	0.94	0.16	2.16	2	0.24
Put	60	100	CN	CN	30	100	100-1000	100	50-200	Bad						
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CN	40	100	ACC													
OFC	80	100	ACC													
OFC	80	100	CN*													
OFC	80	100	CN*													
OFC	50	100	CN													
OFC	30	100	CN													
OFC	10	100	CN*#													
OFC	10	100	M1*													
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OFC	80	100	OFC													
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OFC: orbitofrontal cortex; ACC: anterior cingulate cortex; PFC: prefrontal cortex; M1: primary motor cortex; PPC: posterior parietal cortex; CN: caudate nucleus; Put: putamen; GPe: globus pallidus external; Amyg: amygdala; BFB: basal forebrain; NAc: nucleus accumbens; PrS: presubiculum; CC: corpus callosum;

[a] varied in a pseudo-random fashion (50, 100, 200, and 500 ms)
[b] varied in a pseudo-random fashion (25, 50, and 100 ms)
[c] varied in a pseudo-random fashion (100, 200, 500, and 1000 ms)
[d] varied in a pseudo-random fashion (250, 1000, and 2000 ms)
[e] varied in a pseudo-random fashion (50, 100, and 200 ms)
* Driven high gamma (70-150 Hz) activity (13 samples)
# Driven multiunit activity (3 samples)

Table S2. Summary of Likelihood of Detecting Stimulation Response to Single Microstimulation Pulses between Brain Regions, Related to Figure 2

		Sender node						
		OFC	CN	Put	PFC	Amyg	BFB	NAc
Receiver node	OFC	6/1358	4/615	0/94	0/51	6/59	0/6	0/25
	ACC	7/1165	3/507	0/93	0/93	1/97	0/12	0/53
	CN	14/1212	7/568	1/113	0/101	1/107	0/12	0/44
	Put	1/180	5/112	0/26	1/25	1/29	1/3	0/14
	GPe	1/92	1/49	0/9	0/11	1/12	0/2	0/3
	PFC	9/779	0/330	0/56	0/59	0/68	0/6	0/48
	M1	6/100	0/299	0/79	0/100	0/87	0/12	0/64
	S1	0/123	0/101	0/39	0/44	0/49	0/6	0/39
	PPC	0/403	0/18	0/115	0/149	0/136	0/18	1/403
	Amyg	0/29	0/21	0/8	0/9	0/6	0/1	0/4
	NAc	0/11	0/9	0/1	0/6	0/2	✕	✕
	PrS	0/15	0/12	0/3	0/5	0/4	0/1	0/1

OFC: orbitofrontal cortex; ACC: anterior cingulate cortex; PFC: prefrontal cortex; M1: primary motor cortex; S1: primary somatosensory cortex; CN: caudate nucleus; Put: putamen; GPe: globus pallidus external; Amyg: amygdala; BFB: basal forebrain; NAc: nucleus accumbens; PPC: posterior parietal cortex; PrS: presubiculum

Data are shown as N1/N2, where N1 is the number of stimulation responding sites in each brain area and N2 is the total number of recorded sites in each brain area. Highlighted in red are statistically significant directed function interactions.