

# Blocks instead of puzzles pieces

## analyzing cortical wave activity across scales in an adaptable framework

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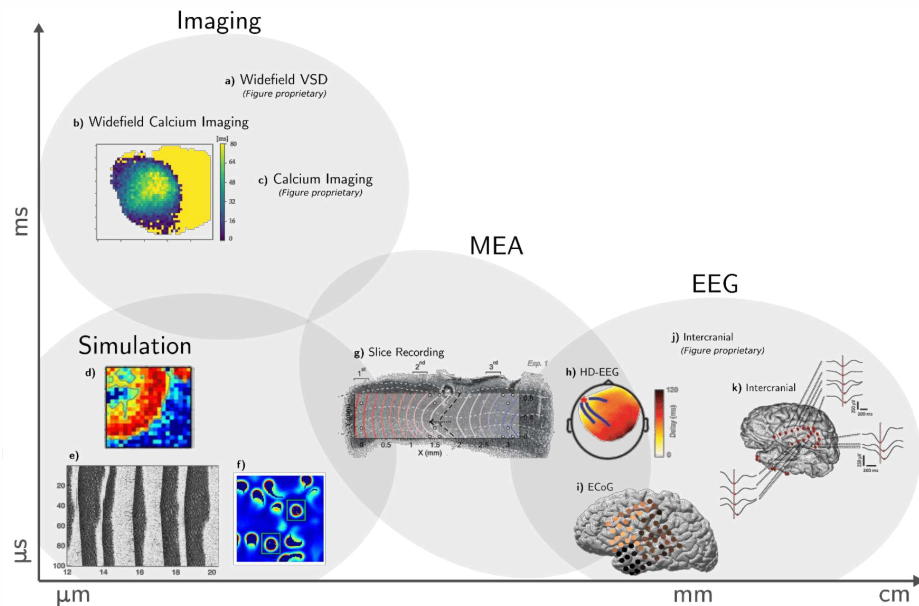


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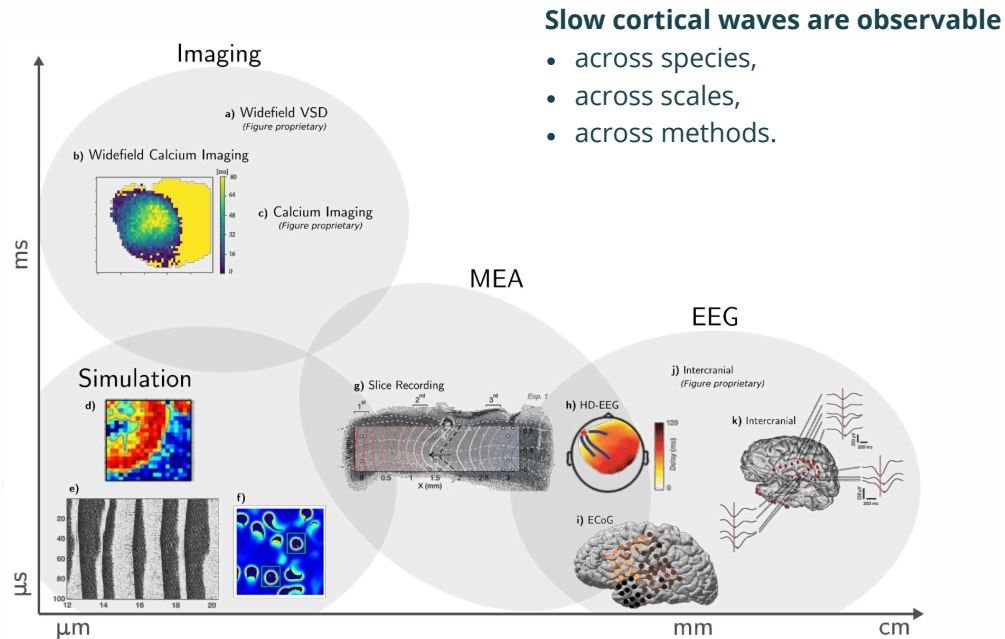
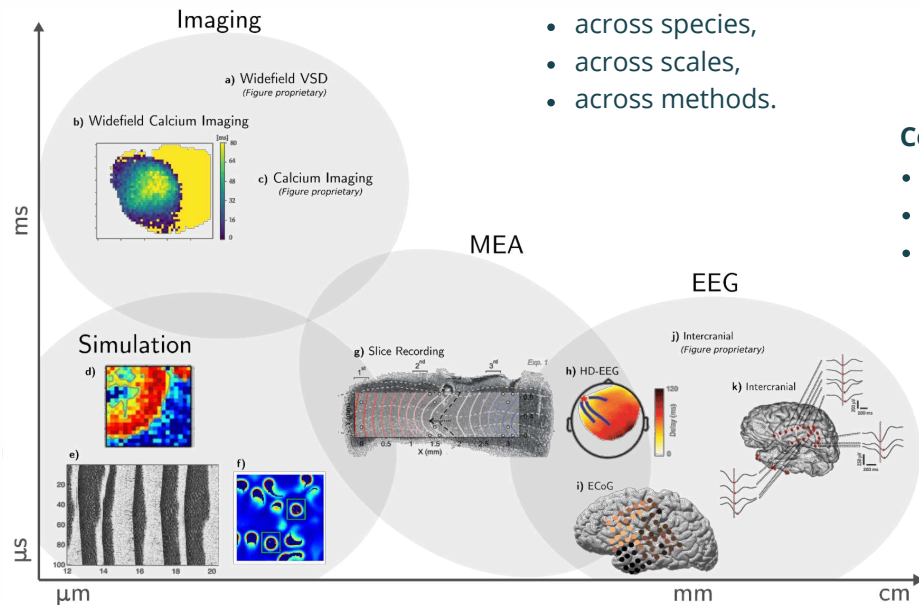


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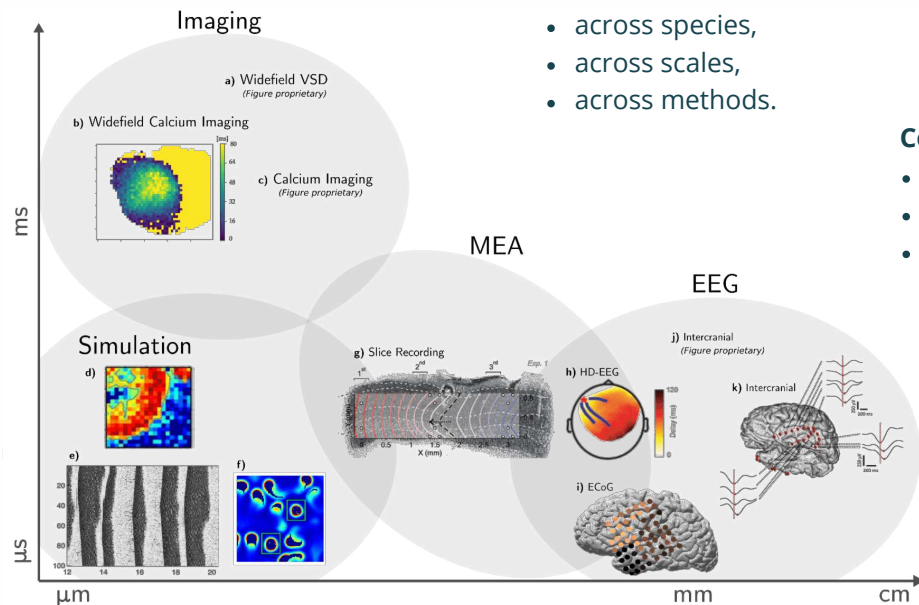
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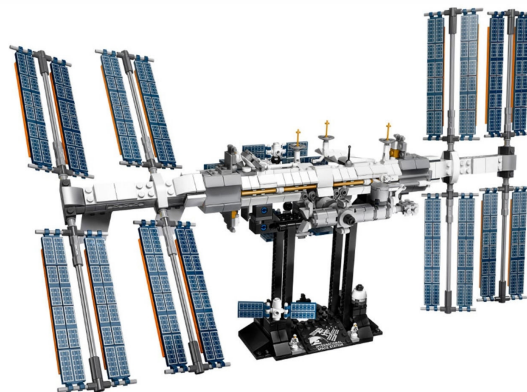
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**How can analysis workflows support comparability?**

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# Building analysis workflows is (not) rocket science





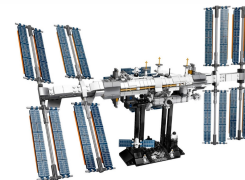
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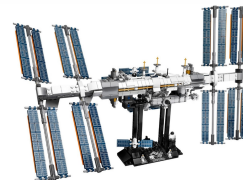


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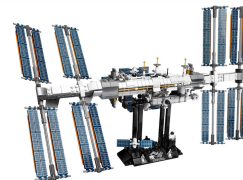
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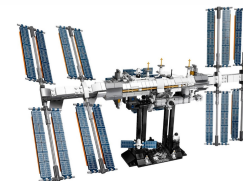
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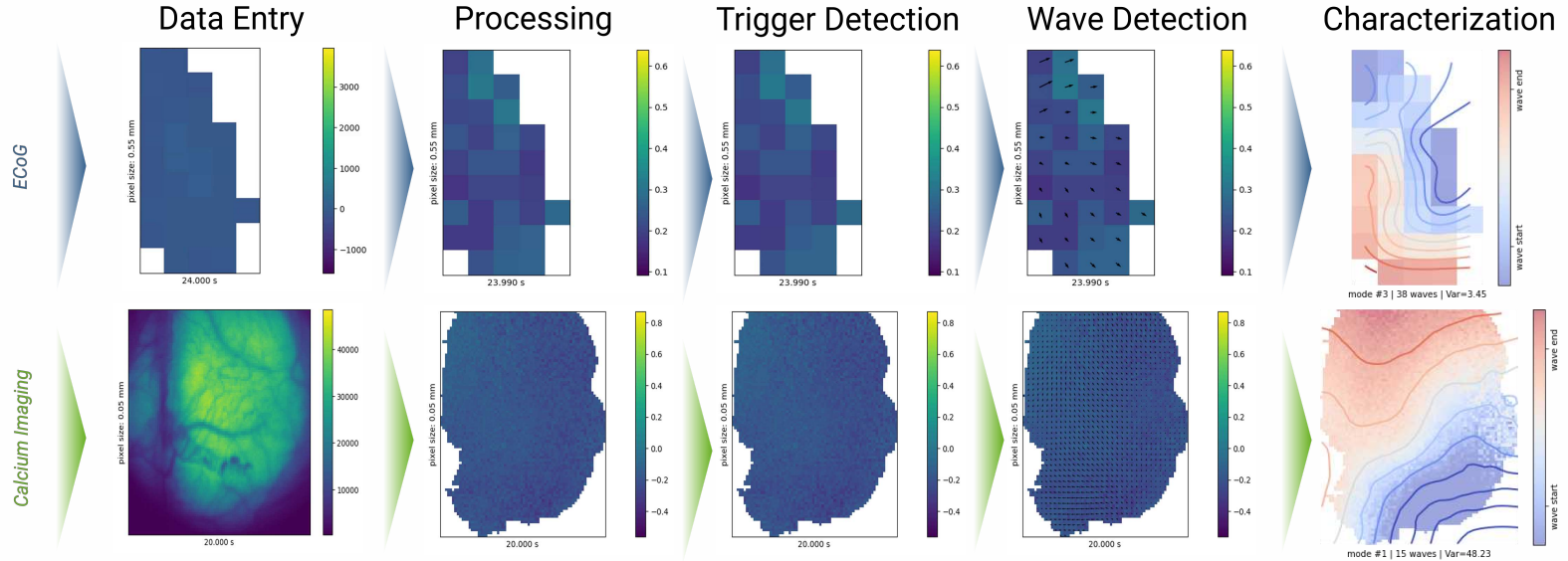
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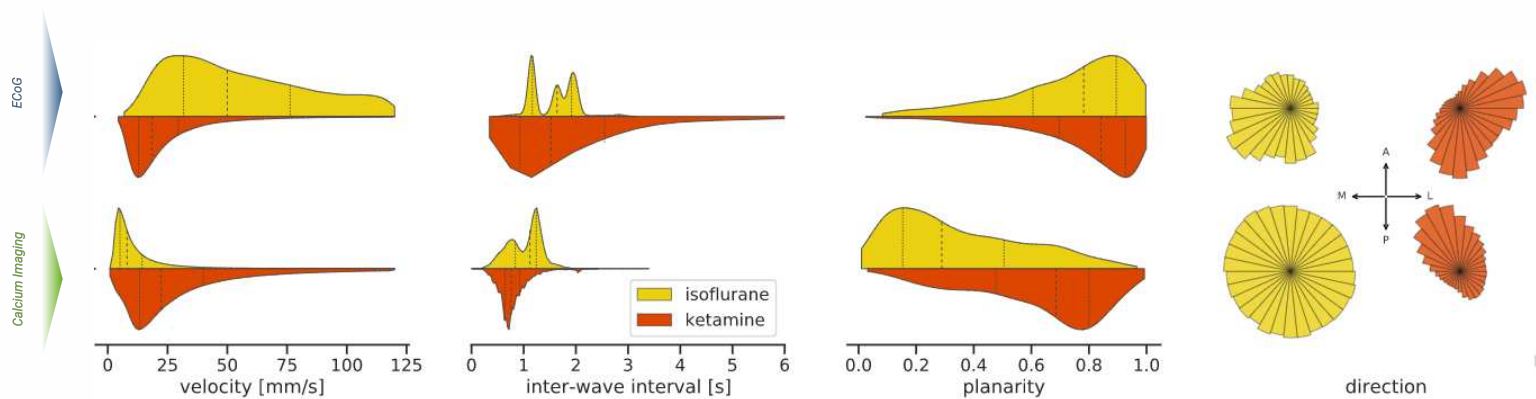


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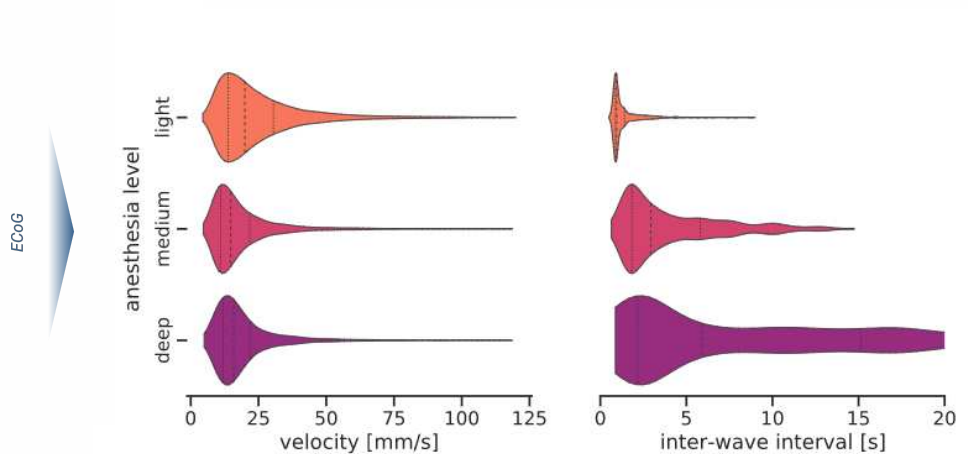
# Comparable data enables meta-studies

Characterizing slow waves in anesthetized mice:

*2 measurement techniques / 5 datasets / 60 recordings / 6.6 h activity data*

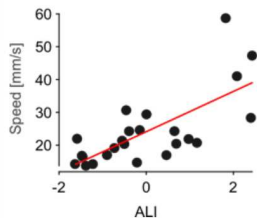


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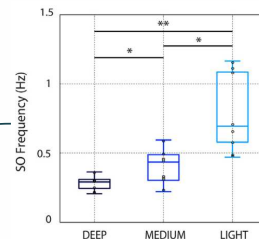
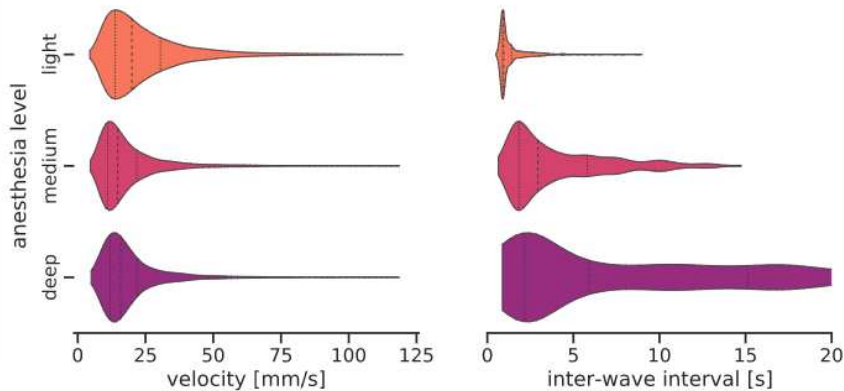
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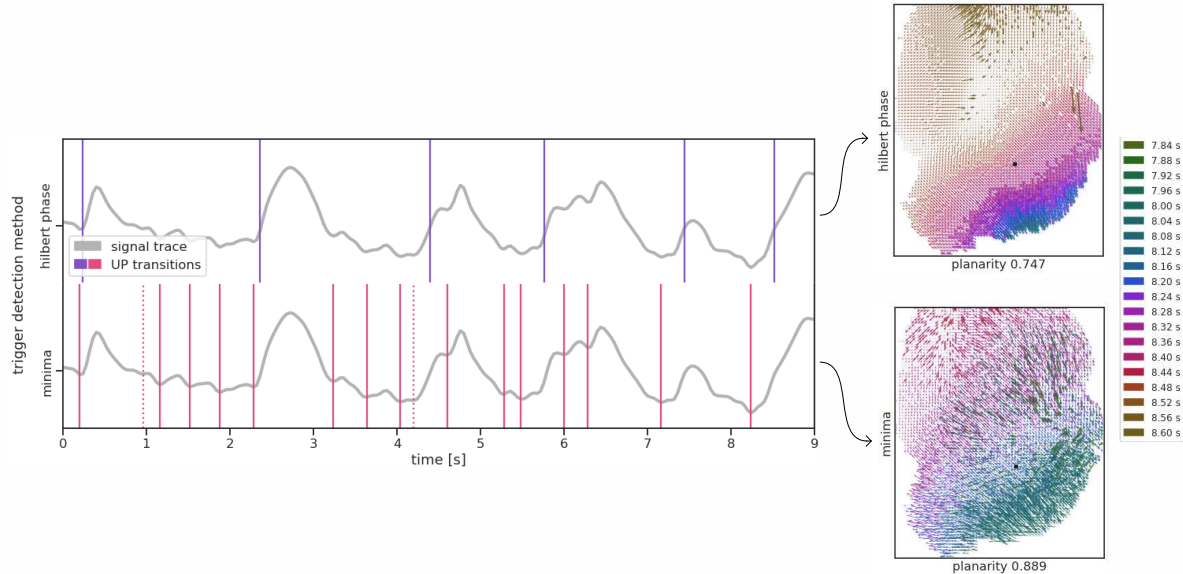
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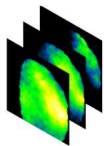
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# Comparing methods on the same data



# Comparison to models: Calibration & Validation

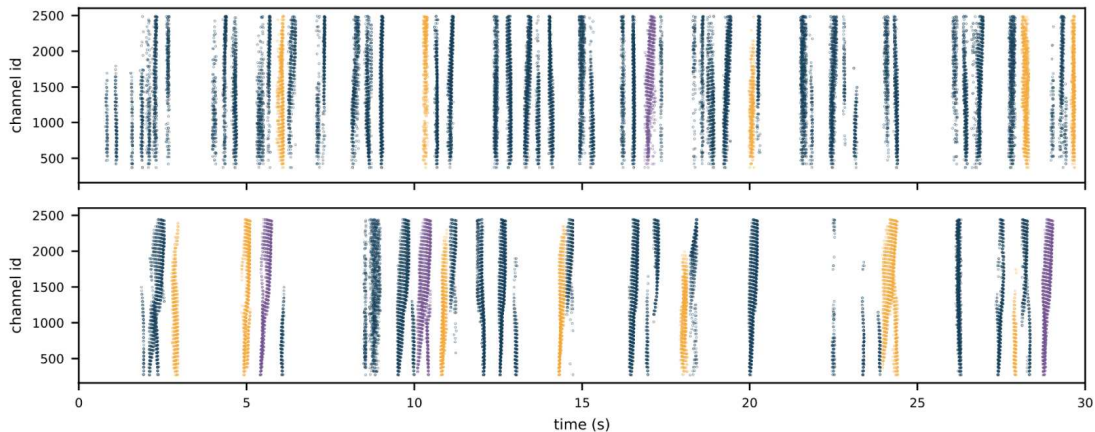
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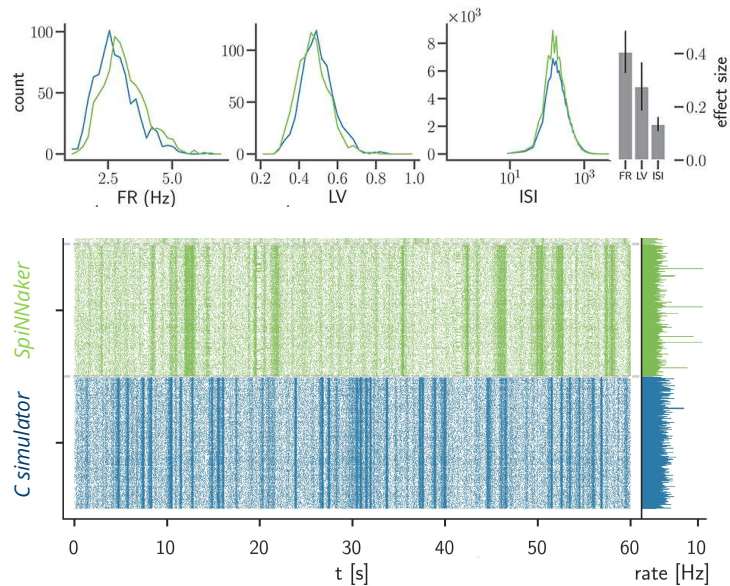
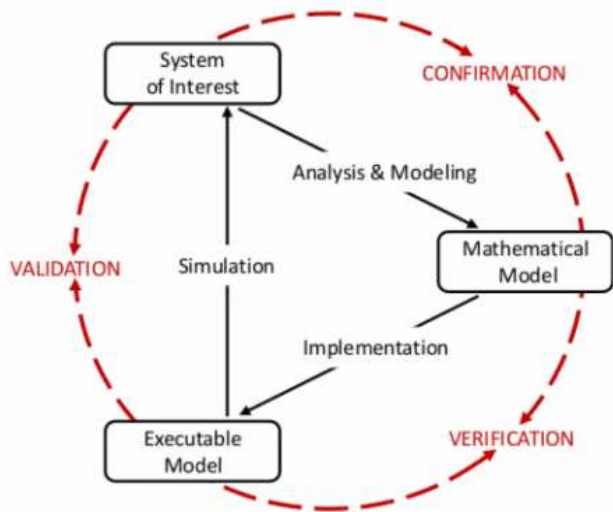


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Capone et al. 2021

# Network-level validation

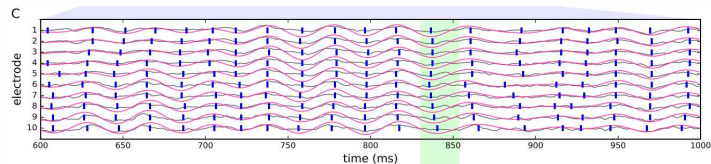


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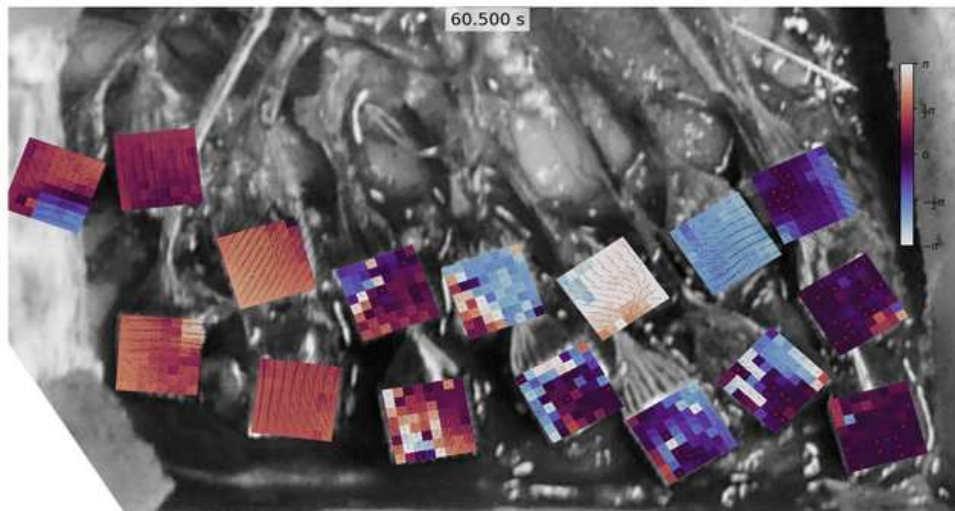
Gutzen et al. 2018  
Trensch et al. 2018



# Reusing the pipeline for cortical beta-waves



Denker et al. 2018



data from Chen et al. 2022

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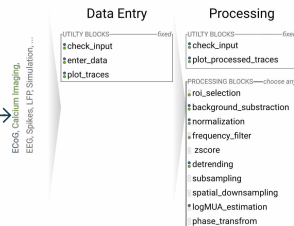
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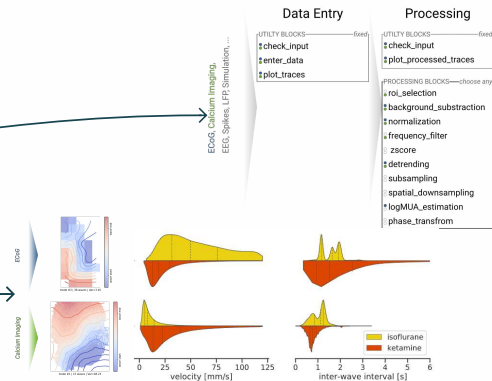
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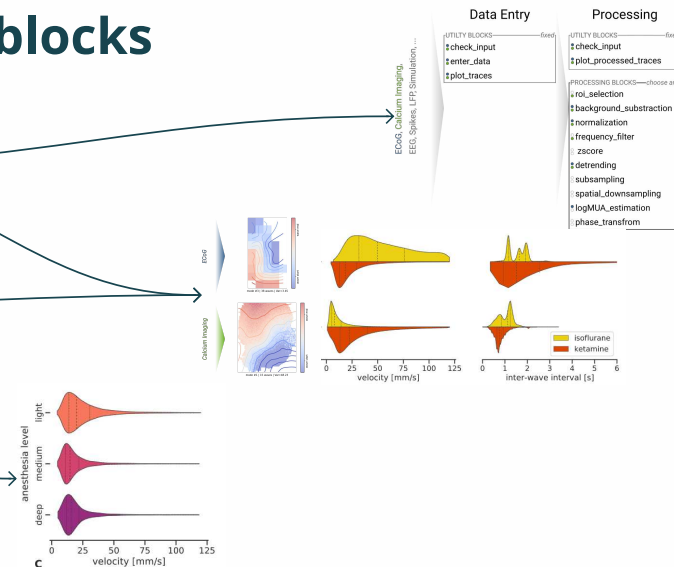
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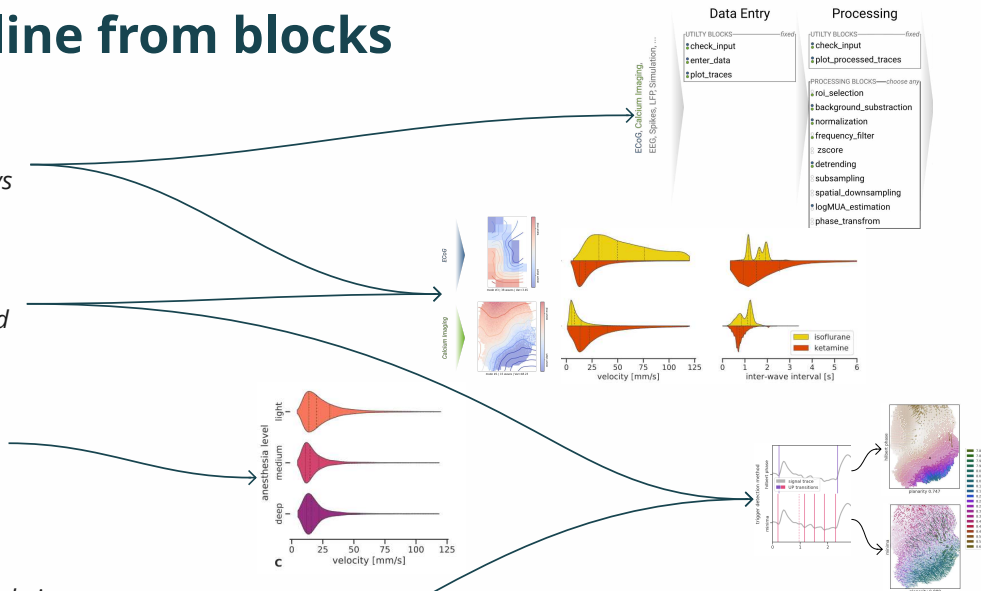
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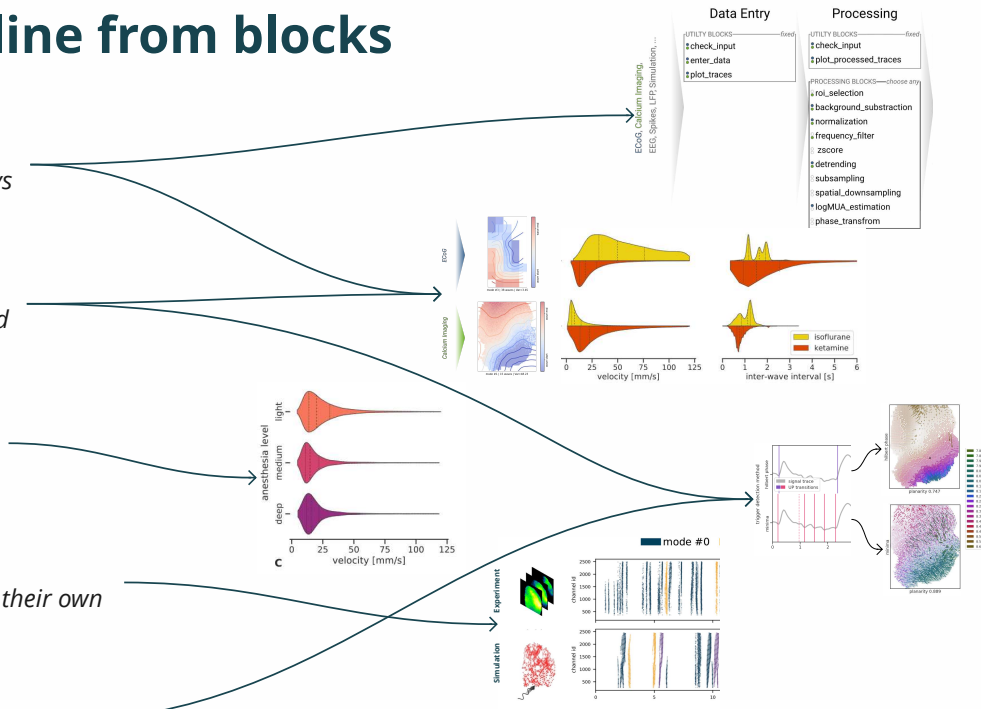
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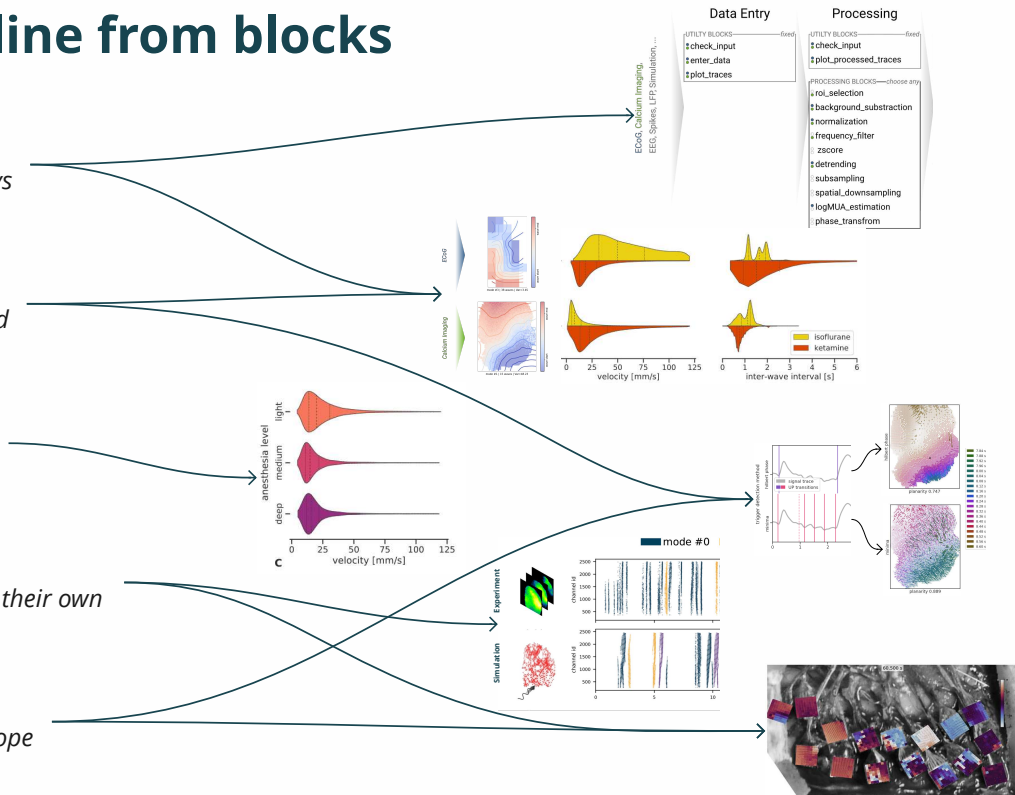
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## Software links (slide 5)

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- <https://elephant.readthedocs.io/>
- <https://docs.conda.io/>
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