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**A ventromedial visual cortical stream to the hippocampus for spatial scenes revealed with magnetoencephalography**

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**Supplementary Material**

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### Modified ordering of the HCP-MMP atlas

The atlas used to define brain regions was the HCP-MMP surface-based atlas <sup>1</sup>, illustrated in Figs. 1, 7-8 and S1. In the HCP-MMP atlas, each region has its RegionID, which we show in Table S1. Detailed information about the regions is available in the Supplementary Material File NIHMS68870-supplement-Neuroanatomical\_Supplementary\_Results.pdf provided by Glasser et al <sup>1</sup>. In that Supplementary Material file, a grouping of the regions is suggested based on geographic proximity and functional similarities, and this grouping is shown in the column labelled CortexID in Table S1. That has led to a different ordering of the regions, which we show in Table S1, with the original regionIDs from the HCP atlas shown in the column headed 'regionID'. This reordered version of the HCP-MMP atlas is described by Dr Dianne Patterson of the University of Arizona at <https://neuroimaging-core-docs.readthedocs.io/en/latest/pages/atlas.html>, where the following supporting files used to help generate Table S1 are available: HCP-MMP\_UniqueRegionList.csv and Glasser\_2016\_Table.xlsx. We made file HCPMMP\_CortexID\_Ordering.xlsx from this, and this is available from the present authors. The connectivity matrices shown in the present paper used the ordering shown in Table S1, which is also used in the volumetric and extended form of this atlas <sup>2</sup>.

**Table S1.** Regions defined in the modified Human Connectome Project atlas <sup>1</sup>. L=left hemisphere, R=right. The column ‘Reordered region ID’ is that used in Figs. 1-5, and is a reordering of that based on suggestions in the Supplementary Information of Glasser et al <sup>1</sup>. In that Supplementary Information of that paper, the 360 regions are grouped based on geographic proximity and functional similarities, which was reorganized and provided by Dr Dianne Patterson of the University of Arizona at <https://neuroimaging-core-docs.readthedocs.io/en/latest/pages/atlas.html> with the HCP-MMP\_UniqueRegionList.csv and is shown in the column labelled CortexID in Table S1. The volumes are in mm<sup>3</sup>. This modified atlas with the reordering is described elsewhere <sup>2</sup>.

Reordered ID (L, R)	Region	RegionLongName	Cortical Division	Cortex ID	Original ID	Voxel numbers (1mm <sup>3</sup> ) (L,R)
1, 181	V1	Primary_Visual_Cortex	Primary_Visual	1	1	13812, 13406
2, 182	V2	Second_Visual_Area	Early_Visual	2	4	9515, 9420
3, 183	V3	Third_Visual_Area	Early_Visual	2	5	7106, 7481
4, 184	V4	Fourth_Visual_Area	Early_Visual	2	6	4782, 4537
5, 185	IPS1	IntraParietal_Sulcus_Area_1	Dorsal_Stream_Visual	3	17	1751, 1750
6, 186	V3A	Area_V3A	Dorsal_Stream_Visual	3	13	2191, 2212
7, 187	V3B	Area_V3B	Dorsal_Stream_Visual	3	19	639, 731
8, 188	V6	Sixth_Visual_Area	Dorsal_Stream_Visual	3	3	1402, 1559
9, 189	V6A	Area_V6A	Dorsal_Stream_Visual	3	152	904, 734
10, 190	V7	Seventh_Visual_Area	Dorsal_Stream_Visual	3	16	1005, 1041
11, 191	FFC	Fusiform_Face_Complex	Ventral_Stream_Visual	4	18	3848, 4402
12, 192	PIT	Posterior_InferoTemporal_complex	Ventral_Stream_Visual	4	22	1392, 1386
13, 193	V8	Eighth_Visual_Area	Ventral_Stream_Visual	4	7	1361, 1175
14, 194	VMV1	Ventromedial_Visual_Area_1	Ventral_Stream_Visual	4	153	939, 1219
15, 195	VMV2	Ventromedial_Visual_Area_2	Ventral_Stream_Visual	4	160	639, 923
16, 196	VMV3	Ventromedial_Visual_Area_3	Ventral_Stream_Visual	4	154	941, 1242
17, 197	VVC	Ventral_Visual_Complex	Ventral_Stream_Visual	4	163	2487, 2753
18, 198	FST	Area_FST	MT+_Complex	5	157	1324, 1683
19, 199	LO1	Area_Lateral_Occipital_1	MT+_Complex	5	20	619, 909
20, 200	LO2	Area_Lateral_Occipital_2	MT+_Complex	5	21	1179, 1062
21, 201	LO3	Area_Lateral_Occipital_3	MT+_Complex	5	159	438, 915
22, 202	MST	Medial_Superior_Temporal_Area	MT+_Complex	5	2	794, 1036
23, 203	MT	Middle_Temporal_Area	MT+_Complex	5	23	620, 1005
24, 204	PH	Area_PH	MT+_Complex	5	138	3453, 3205
25, 205	V3CD	Area_V3CD	MT+_Complex	5	158	876, 1222
26, 206	V4t	Area_V4t	MT+_Complex	5	156	1037, 1249
27, 207	1	Area_1	SomaSens_Motor	6	51	6590, 5925
28, 208	2	Area_2	SomaSens_Motor	6	52	4278, 4727
29, 209	3a	Area_3a	SomaSens_Motor	6	53	2247, 2286
30, 210	3b	Primary_Sensory_Cortex	SomaSens_Motor	6	9	5451, 4350
31, 211	4	Primary_Motor_Cortex	SomaSens_Motor	6	8	10776, 10254
32, 212	23c	Area_23c	ParaCentral_MidCing	7	38	2259, 2498
33, 213	24dd	Dorsal_Area_24d	ParaCentral_MidCing	7	40	2665, 2820
34, 214	24dv	Ventral_Area_24d	ParaCentral_MidCing	7	41	1076, 1349
35, 215	5L	Area_5L	ParaCentral_MidCing	7	39	2249, 2327
36, 216	5m	Area_5m	ParaCentral_MidCing	7	36	1483, 2079
37, 217	5mv	Area_5m_ventral	ParaCentral_MidCing	7	37	1651, 1996

38, 218	6ma	Area_6m_anterior	ParaCentral_MidCing	7	44	3941, 4251
39, 219	6mp	Area_6mp	ParaCentral_MidCing	7	55	3701, 3105
40, 220	SCEF	Supplementary_and_Cingulate_Eye_Field	ParaCentral_MidCing	7	43	3500, 3371
41, 221	55b	Area_55b	Premotor	8	12	2422, 1537
42, 222	6a	Area_6_anterior	Premotor	8	96	4233, 3752
43, 223	6d	Dorsal_area_6	Premotor	8	54	2916, 2909
44, 224	6r	Rostral_Area_6	Premotor	8	78	3029, 3981
45, 225	6v	Ventral_Area_6	Premotor	8	56	2075, 2516
46, 226	FEF	Frontal_Eye_Fields	Premotor	8	10	1787, 1889
47, 227	PEF	Premotor_Eye_Field	Premotor	8	11	1006, 1258
48, 228	43	Area_43	Posterior_Opercular	9	99	1889, 1678
49, 229	FOP1	Frontal_Opercular_Area_1	Posterior_Opercular	9	113	879, 932
50, 230	OP1	Area_OP1-SII	Posterior_Opercular	9	101	1275, 1072
51, 231	OP2-3	Area_OP2-3-VS	Posterior_Opercular	9	102	943, 792
52, 232	OP4	Area_OP4-PV	Posterior_Opercular	9	100	2332, 2409
53, 233	52	Area_52	Early_Auditory	10	103	725, 580
54, 234	A1	Primary_Auditory_Cortex	Early_Auditory	10	24	1023, 796
55, 235	LBelt	Lateral_Belt_Complex	Early_Auditory	10	174	820, 901
56, 236	MBelt	Medial_Belt_Complex	Early_Auditory	10	173	1242, 1236
57, 237	PBelt	ParaBelt_Complex	Early_Auditory	10	124	1719, 1439
58, 238	PFcm	Area_PFcm	Early_Auditory	10	105	1486, 1485
59, 239	RI	RetroInsular_Cortex	Early_Auditory	10	104	1149, 1334
60, 240	A4	Auditory_4_Complex	Auditory_Association	11	175	3514, 3610
61, 241	A5	Auditory_5_Complex	Auditory_Association	11	125	3346, 3881
62, 242	STGa	Area_STGa	Auditory_Association	11	123	2509, 2187
63, 243	STSda	Area_STSd_anterior	Auditory_Association	11	128	1944, 2389
64, 244	STSDp	Area_STSd_posterior	Auditory_Association	11	129	1994, 2605
65, 245	STSva	Area_STSv_anterior	Auditory_Association	11	176	1694, 1900
66, 246	STSvp	Area_STSv_posterior	Auditory_Association	11	130	2898, 2515
67, 247	TA2	Area_TA2	Auditory_Association	11	107	1518, 1726
68, 248	AAIC	Anterior_Agranular_Insula_Complex	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	112	1859, 1691
69, 249	AVI	Anterior_Ventral_Insular_Area	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	111	1446, 1792
70, 250	FOP2	Frontal_Opercular_Area_2	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	115	750, 720
71, 251	FOP3	Frontal_Opercular_Area_3	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	114	754, 614
72, 252	FOP4	Frontal_Opercular_Area_4	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	108	2522, 1678
73, 253	FOP5	Area_Frontal_Opercular_5	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	169	1297, 1365
74, 254	Ig	Insular_Granular_Complex	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	168	841, 1077
75, 255	MI	Middle_Insular_Area	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	109	2102, 1960
76, 256	PI	Para-Insular_Area	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	178	1033, 1058
77, 257	Pir	Piriform_Cortex	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	110	2287, 1856
78, 258	PoI1	Area_Posterior_Insular_1	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	167	1811, 1835
79, 259	PoI2	Posterior_Insular_Area_2	Insula_FrontalOperc	12	106	2747, 2675
80, 260	H	Hippocampus	Medial_Temporal	13	120	4283, 3626
81, 261	PreS	PreSubiculum	Medial_Temporal	13	119	1817, 1558
82, 262	EC	Entorhinal_Cortex	Medial_Temporal	13	118	2127, 2110
83, 263	PeEc	Perirhinal_Ectorhinal_Cortex	Medial_Temporal	13	122	4826, 4755
84, 264	TF	Area_TF	Medial_Temporal	13	135	3986, 4752

85, 265	PHA1	ParaHippocampal_Area_1	Medial_Temporal	13	126	1281, 1168
86, 266	PHA2	ParaHippocampal_Area_2	Medial_Temporal	13	155	783, 771
87, 267	PHA3	ParaHippocampal_Area_3	Medial_Temporal	13	127	2023, 1122
88, 268	PHT	Area_PHT	Lateral_Temporal	14	137	4182, 3410
89, 269	TE1a	Area_TE1_anterior	Lateral_Temporal	14	132	5227, 4180
90, 270	TE1m	Area_TE1_Middle	Lateral_Temporal	14	177	3339, 3429
91, 271	TE1p	Area_TE1_posterior	Lateral_Temporal	14	133	7116, 6010
92, 272	TE2a	Area_TE2_anterior	Lateral_Temporal	14	134	5691, 5753
93, 273	TE2p	Area_TE2_posterior	Lateral_Temporal	14	136	4115, 3040
94, 274	TGd	Area_TG_dorsal	Lateral_Temporal	14	131	10192, 10269
95, 275	TGv	Area_TG_Ventral	Lateral_Temporal	14	172	3694, 4515
96, 276	PSL	PeriSylvian_Language_Area	TPO	15	25	2154, 2759
97, 277	STV	Superior_Temporal_Visual_Area	TPO	15	28	2322, 2294
98, 278	TPOJ1	Area_TemporoParietoOccipital_Juncti on_1	TPO	15	139	2102, 3938
99, 279	TPOJ2	Area_TemporoParietoOccipital_Juncti on_2	TPO	15	140	1930, 2068
100, 280	TPOJ3	Area_TemporoParietoOccipital_Juncti on_3	TPO	15	141	1290, 1277
101, 281	7AL	Lateral_Area_7A	Superior_Parietal	16	42	2134, 2030
102, 282	7Am	Medial_Area_7A	Superior_Parietal	16	45	2995, 2379
103, 283	7PC	Area_7PC	Superior_Parietal	16	47	3151, 3415
104, 284	7PL	Lateral_Area_7P	Superior_Parietal	16	46	1695, 1363
105, 285	7Pm	Medial_Area_7P	Superior_Parietal	16	29	1601, 1308
106, 286	AIP	Anterior_IntraParietal_Area	Superior_Parietal	16	117	1999, 2542
107, 287	LIPd	Area_Lateral_IntraParietal_dorsal	Superior_Parietal	16	95	1008, 869
108, 288	LIPv	Area_Lateral_IntraParietal_ventral	Superior_Parietal	16	48	1681, 1783
109, 289	MIP	Medial_IntraParietal_Area	Superior_Parietal	16	50	1872, 2403
110, 290	VIP	Ventral_IntraParietal_Complex	Superior_Parietal	16	49	1890, 1577
111, 291	IP0	Area_IntraParietal_0	Inferior_Parietal	17	146	1203, 1239
112, 292	IP1	Area_IntraParietal_1	Inferior_Parietal	17	145	1692, 1632
113, 293	IP2	Area_IntraParietal_2	Inferior_Parietal	17	144	2102, 1861
114, 294	PF	Area_PF_Complex	Inferior_Parietal	17	148	5457, 5251
115, 295	PFm	Area_PFm_Complex	Inferior_Parietal	17	149	8220, 8141
116, 296	PFop	Area_PF_Opercular	Inferior_Parietal	17	147	1797, 1783
117, 297	PFt	Area_PFt	Inferior_Parietal	17	116	1983, 2039
118, 298	PGi	Area_PGi	Inferior_Parietal	17	150	4791, 4970
119, 299	PGp	Area_PGp	Inferior_Parietal	17	143	2501, 3740
120, 300	PGs	Area_PGs	Inferior_Parietal	17	151	4552, 3366
121, 301	23d	Area_23d	Posterior_Cingulate	18	32	1261, 1513
122, 302	31a	Area_31a	Posterior_Cingulate	18	162	1260, 1116
123, 303	31pd	Area_31pd	Posterior_Cingulate	18	161	1428, 864
124, 304	31pv	Area_31p_ventral	Posterior_Cingulate	18	35	950, 1022
125, 305	7m	Area_7m	Posterior_Cingulate	18	30	2128, 2067
126, 306	d23ab	Area_dorsal_23_a+b	Posterior_Cingulate	18	34	1607, 1106
127, 307	DVT	Dorsal_Transitional_Visual_Area	Posterior_Cingulate	18	142	1806, 2176
128, 308	PCV	PreCuneus_Visual_Area	Posterior_Cingulate	18	27	2245, 2416
129, 309	POS1	Parieto-Occipital_Sulcus_Area_1	Posterior_Cingulate	18	31	2531, 2727
130, 310	POS2	Parieto-Occipital_Sulcus_Area_2	Posterior_Cingulate	18	15	3261, 3093

131, 311	ProS	ProStriate_Area	Posterior_Cingulate	18	121	1222, 1055
132, 312	RSC	RetroSplenial_Complex	Posterior_Cingulate	18	14	2830, 3067
133, 313	v23ab	Area_ventral_23_a+b	Posterior_Cingulate	18	33	916, 1089
134, 314	10r	Area_10r	AntCing_MedPFC	19	65	1589, 1053
135, 315	10v	Area_10v	AntCing_MedPFC	19	88	3906, 2667
136, 316	25	Area_25	AntCing_MedPFC	19	164	1911, 2135
137, 317	33pr	Area_33_prime	AntCing_MedPFC	19	58	1354, 1316
138, 318	8BM	Area_8BM	AntCing_MedPFC	19	63	3122, 3436
139, 319	9m	Area_9_Middle	AntCing_MedPFC	19	69	6338, 5881
140, 320	a24	Area_a24	AntCing_MedPFC	19	61	2085, 2152
141, 321	a24pr	Anterior_24_prime	AntCing_MedPFC	19	59	1095, 1474
142, 322	a32pr	Area_anterior_32_prime	AntCing_MedPFC	19	179	1759, 1118
143, 323	d32	Area_dorsal_32	AntCing_MedPFC	19	62	2228, 2374
144, 324	p24	Area_posterior_24	AntCing_MedPFC	19	180	2394, 2442
145, 325	p24pr	Area_Posterior_24_prime	AntCing_MedPFC	19	57	1422, 1724
146, 326	p32	Area_p32	AntCing_MedPFC	19	64	1180, 1765
147, 327	p32pr	Area_p32_prime	AntCing_MedPFC	19	60	1569, 1305
148, 328	pOFC	Posterior_OFC_Complex	AntCing_MedPFC	19	166	2486, 2836
149, 329	s32	Area_s32	AntCing_MedPFC	19	165	604, 1015
150, 330	10d	Area_10d	OrbPolaFrontal	20	72	3644, 3096
151, 331	10pp	Polar_10p	OrbPolaFrontal	20	90	1997, 2487
152, 332	11l	Area_11l	OrbPolaFrontal	20	91	3531, 3793
153, 333	13l	Area_13l	OrbPolaFrontal	20	92	2429, 1757
154, 334	47m	Area_47m	OrbPolaFrontal	20	66	799, 781
155, 335	47s	Area_47s	OrbPolaFrontal	20	94	2795, 3080
156, 336	a10p	Area_anterior_10p	OrbPolaFrontal	20	89	1964, 1748
157, 337	OFC	Orbital_Frontal_Complex	OrbPolaFrontal	20	93	4560, 5232
158, 338	p10p	Area_posterior_10p	OrbPolaFrontal	20	170	2116, 2365
159, 339	44	Area_44	Inferior_Frontal	21	74	2435, 2589
160, 340	45	Area_45	Inferior_Frontal	21	75	3762, 2962
161, 341	47l	Area_47l_(47_lateral)	Inferior_Frontal	21	76	2527, 2592
162, 342	a47r	Area_anterior_47r	Inferior_Frontal	21	77	4167, 3763
163, 343	IFJa	Area_IFJa	Inferior_Frontal	21	79	1513, 1405
164, 344	IFJp	Area_IFJp	Inferior_Frontal	21	80	960, 740
165, 345	IFSa	Area_IFSa	Inferior_Frontal	21	82	2057, 2641
166, 346	IFSp	Area_IFSp	Inferior_Frontal	21	81	1589, 1730
167, 347	p47r	Area_posterior_47r	Inferior_Frontal	21	171	2133, 1761
168, 348	46	Area_46	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	84	4863, 4394
169, 349	8Ad	Area_8Ad	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	68	3386, 3492
170, 350	8Av	Area_8Av	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	67	4807, 5902
171, 351	8BL	Area_8B_Lateral	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	70	3377, 4078
172, 352	8C	Area_8C	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	73	4085, 3134
173, 353	9-46d	Area_9-46d	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	86	4534, 4666
174, 354	9a	Area_9_anterior	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	87	3706, 3048
175, 355	9p	Area_9_Posterior	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	71	3426, 2488
176, 356	a9-46v	Area_anterior_9-46v	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	85	3314, 2628
177, 357	i6-8	Inferior_6-8_Transitional_Area	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	97	1764, 2418

178, 358	p9-46v	Area_posterior_9-46v	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	83	2871, 4635
179, 359	s6-8	Superior_6-8_Transitional_Area	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	98	1336, 2132
180, 360	SFL	Superior_Frontal_Language_Area	Dorsolateral_Prefrontal	22	26	3873, 3055

Column 1 (Reordered ID) shows the order in HCPex based on the HCP-MMP1\_UniqueRegionList.csv, as described in the Methods, of the 360 cortical regions originally defined by Glasser et al (2016). The names of the cortical divisions shown in column 4 come from the same .csv file. The sixth column shows the original order used by Glasser et al <sup>1</sup>. Abbreviations: L=left hemisphere, R=right.

MT+\_Complex, MT+\_Complex\_and\_Neighboring\_Visual\_Areas; SomaSens\_Motor, Somatosensory\_and\_Motor; ParaCentral\_MidCing, Paracentral\_Lobular\_and\_Mid\_Cingulate; Insula\_FrontalOperc, Insular\_and\_Frontal\_Opercular; TPO, Temporo-Parieto-Occipital\_Junction; AntCing\_MedPFC, Anterior\_Cingulate\_and\_Medial\_Prefrontal; OrbPolaFrontal, Orbital\_and\_Polar\_Frontal.



Fig. S1-2. Example coronal slices showing regions defined in the HCPex atlas and added subcortical regions <sup>2</sup>. The abbreviations are as in Table S1. The y values for the coronal slices are in MNI coordinates.

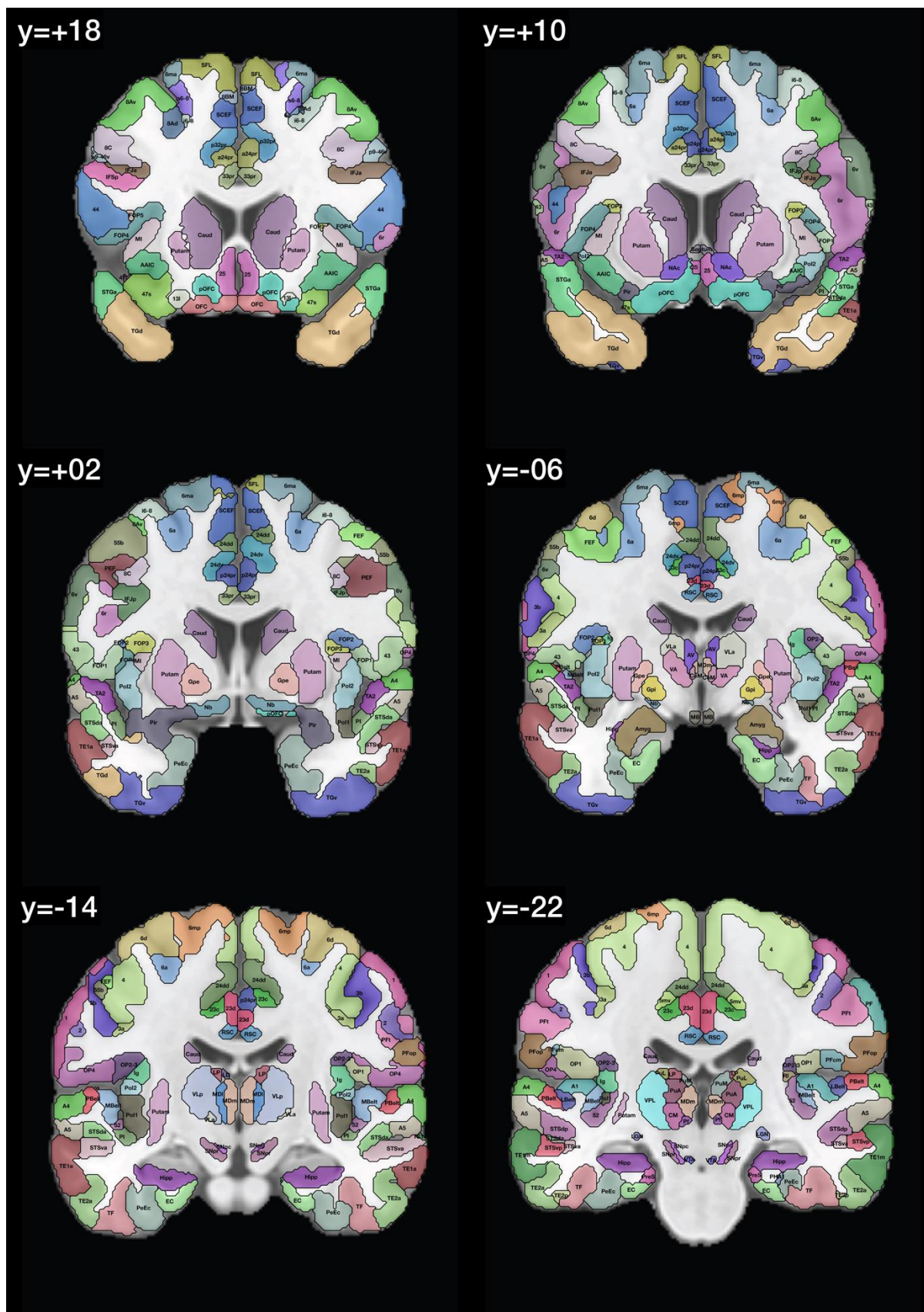


Fig. S1-3. Example coronal slices showing regions defined in the HCPex atlas and added subcortical regions <sup>2</sup>. The abbreviations are as in Table S1. The y values for the coronal slices are in MNI coordinates.

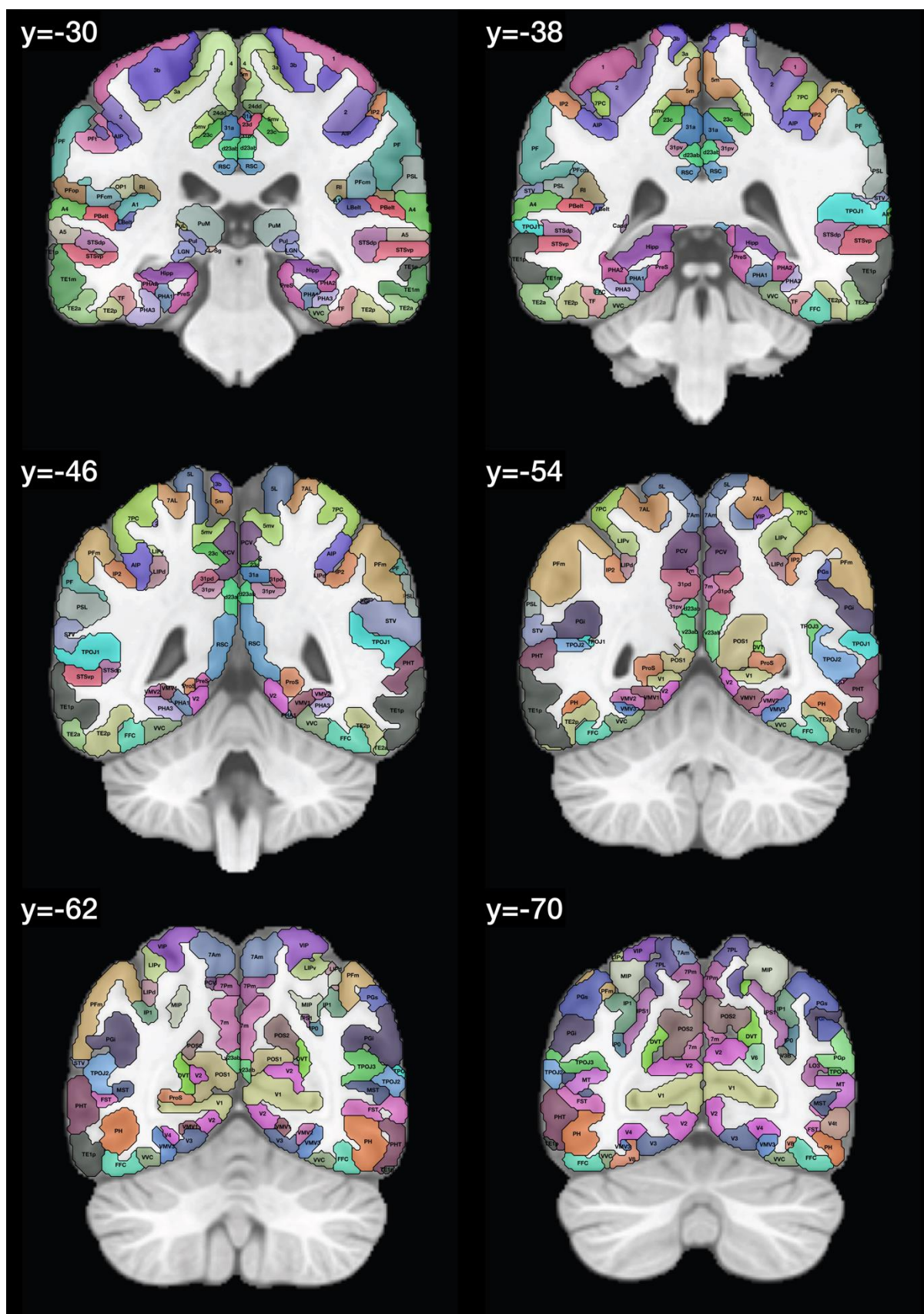
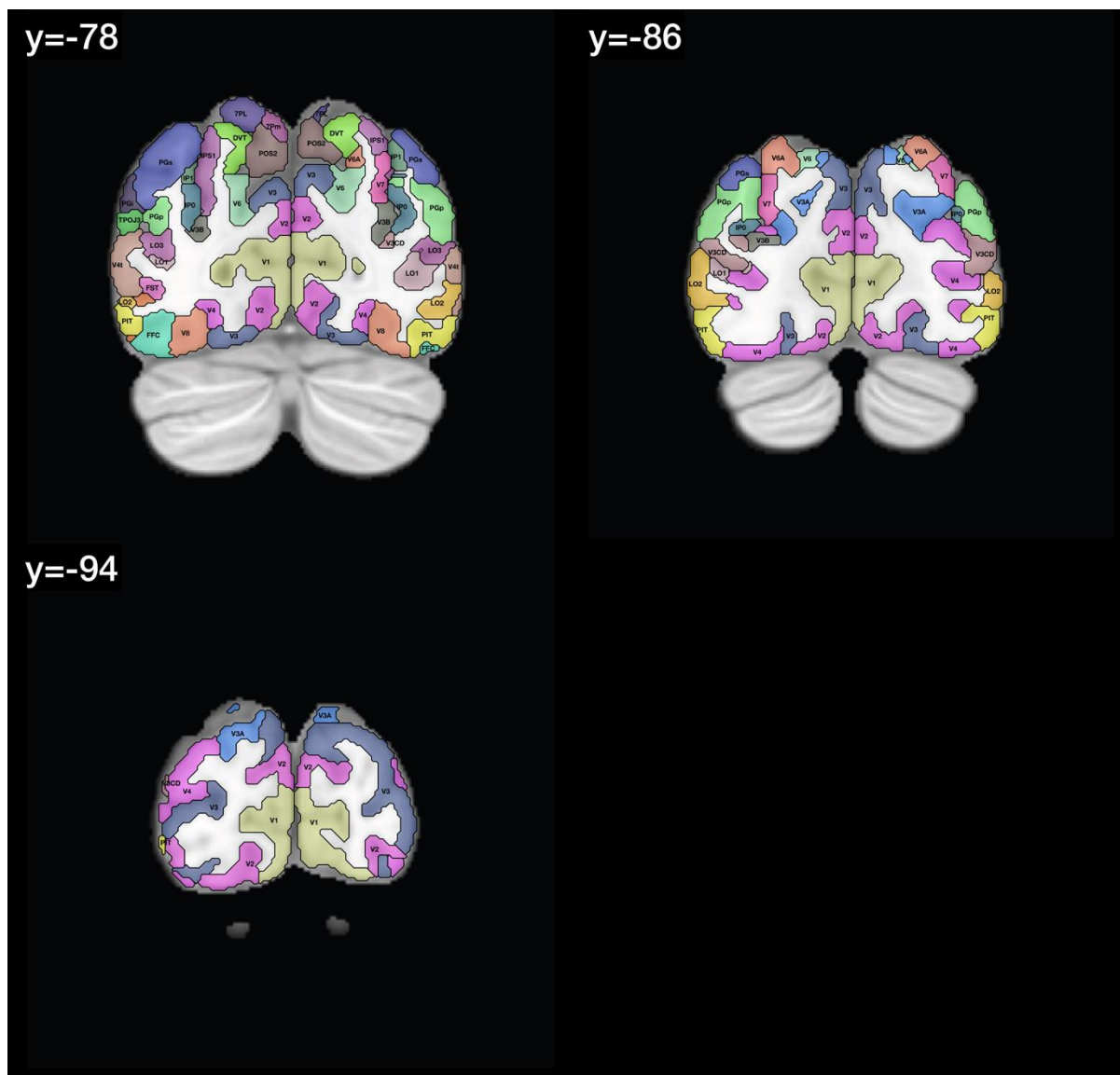


Fig. S1-4. Example coronal slices showing regions defined in the HCPex atlas and added subcortical regions <sup>2</sup>. The abbreviations are as in Table S1. The y values for the coronal slices are in MNI coordinates.





## Analysis of Magnetoencephalography (MEG) data

### *The linear Hopf algorithm*

Because the timeseries with MEG data can be very long due to the fast TR (in the case of the HCP data 20 ms), it was impractical to compute the Effective Connectivity with the simulation-based algorithm described in the main text and above. We therefore used an analytic approach to the calculation of Effective Connectivity described by Deco et al.<sup>3</sup>. We confirmed that this analytic algorithm produces similar results to the simulation version of the algorithm described up, using the fMRI data utilised in this paper.

A model of whole-brain dynamics is used to represent the local dynamics of each brain area based on a local dynamics expressed by Stuart-Landau oscillators, i.e. by the normal form of a supercritical Hopf bifurcation that is the standard model for examining the shift from noisy to oscillatory dynamics (Kuznetsov, 1998). The intricate connections between Hopf oscillators have been demonstrated to replicate key aspects of brain dynamics seen in electrophysiology<sup>4,5</sup>, MEG, and other forms of brain network architecture when coupled together<sup>6</sup> and fMRI<sup>7-9</sup>. More concretely, the whole-brain dynamics can be expressed by coupling the local dynamics of  $N$  Stuart-Landau oscillators (i.e. the normal form of a supercritical Hopf bifurcation) interconnected through the connectivity  $\mathbf{C}$ :

$$\frac{dz_j}{dt} = (a_j + i\omega_j)z_j - |z_j|^2 z_j + \sum_{k=1}^N C_{jk}(z_k - z_j) + \eta_j \quad (5)$$

where  $z_j = x_j + iy_j$ ,  $\eta_j$  is additive uncorrelated Gaussian noise with variance  $\sigma^2$  (for all  $j$ ),  $\omega_j$  is the intrinsic node frequency, and  $a_j$  is the node's bifurcation parameter. Within this model, the intrinsic frequency  $\omega_j$  of each node is in the 0.04–0.07 Hz band for fMRI and 0.5-2 Hz for our MEG analysis. The intrinsic frequencies were estimated from the data, as given by the averaged peak frequency of the narrowband BOLD and MEG signals of each brain region. In equation (5),  $\mathbf{C}$  is the coupling connectivity matrix. This model can be interpreted as an extension of the Kuramoto model to the case in which both the phase and the amplitude of the oscillators are allowed to vary. In particular, the choice of the coupling function  $(z_k - z_j)$  promotes phase synchronization between coupled nodes (as can be seen by writing the system in polar coordinates). For  $a_j > 0$ , the local dynamics settle into a stable limit cycle, producing self-sustained oscillations with frequency  $\frac{\omega_j}{2\pi}$ . For  $a_j < 0$ , the local dynamics present a stable spiral point, producing damped or noisy oscillations in the absence or presence of noise, respectively. The fMRI or MEG signals were modelled by the real part of the state variables, i.e.,  $x_j = \text{Real}(z_j)$ .

It was proven<sup>7</sup>, that the best working point for fitting many different neuroimaging based dynamical brain states is given by a working point of each Stuart-Landau oscillator at the brink of the bifurcation, i.e. with  $a_j$  slightly negative but very near to zero (usually  $a_j = -0.02$ ). This is very important, because this allows a linearization of the dynamics that permits an analytical solution of the functional connectivity matrix FC given by the Pearson correlation between the activity of all pairs of brain regions as reflected with BOLD fMRI or MEG. More concretely, we estimate the functional correlations of the whole-brain network using a linear noise approximation (LNA). The dynamical system (5) can be rewritten in vector form as:

$$\frac{d\mathbf{z}}{dt} = (\mathbf{a} - g\mathbf{S} + i\boldsymbol{\omega}) \odot \mathbf{z} - (\mathbf{z} \odot \bar{\mathbf{z}}) \mathbf{z} + G\mathbf{C}\mathbf{z} + \boldsymbol{\eta} \quad (6)$$

where  $\mathbf{z} = [z_1, \dots, z_N]$ ,  $\mathbf{a} = [a_1, \dots, a_N]$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\omega} = [\omega_1, \dots, \omega_N]$ ,  $\mathbf{S} = [S_1, \dots, S_N]$  is the vector containing the strength of each node, i.e.,  $S_i = \sum_j C_{ij}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\eta} = [\eta_1, \dots, \eta_N]$  represents a vector of uncorrelated noise, and  $\odot$  is the Hadamard element-wise product. Studying the linear fluctuations around the fixed point

$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}$ , which is the solution of  $\frac{d\mathbf{z}}{dt} = 0$ , in the linearized system the higher-order terms  $(\mathbf{z} \odot \bar{\mathbf{z}})\mathbf{z}$  are discarded in equation (6). Using the real and imaginary parts of the state variables, the evolution of the linear fluctuations  $\delta\mathbf{u}$  follows the following Langevin stochastic linear equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \delta\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{J} \delta\mathbf{u} + \boldsymbol{\eta} \quad (7)$$

where the  $2N$ -dimensional vector  $\delta\mathbf{u} = (\delta\mathbf{x}, \delta\mathbf{y}) = (\delta x_1, \dots, \delta x_N, \delta y_1, \dots, \delta y_N)$  contains the fluctuations of real and imaginary parts. The  $2N \times 2N$  matrix  $\mathbf{J}$  is the Jacobian matrix of the system evaluated at the fixed point. The Jacobian matrix can be written as a block matrix:

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{J}_{xx} & \mathbf{J}_{xy} \\ \mathbf{J}_{yx} & \mathbf{J}_{yy} \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

where  $\mathbf{J}_{xx}, \mathbf{J}_{xy}, \mathbf{J}_{yx}, \mathbf{J}_{yy}$  are  $N \times N$  matrices given as:  $\mathbf{J}_{xx} = \mathbf{J}_{yy} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{a} - g\mathbf{S}) + g\mathbf{C}$  and  $\mathbf{J}_{xy} = -\mathbf{J}_{yx} = \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\omega})$ , where  $\text{diag}(\mathbf{v})$  is the diagonal matrix whose diagonal is the vector  $\mathbf{v}$ . The linearization is only valid if  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}$  is a stable solution of the system, i.e., if all eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{J}$  have negative real part. The motion equation of the covariance matrix  $\mathbf{K} = \langle \delta\mathbf{u} \delta\mathbf{u}^T \rangle$  (where the superscript  $T$  denotes the transpose operator) can be derived by using the linear approximation. This can be done by writing equation (7) as  $d\delta\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{A} \delta\mathbf{u} dt + d\mathbf{W}$ , where  $d\mathbf{W}$  is an  $2N$ -dimensional Wiener process with covariance  $\langle d\mathbf{W} d\mathbf{W}^T \rangle = \mathbf{Q}_n dt$ . Using Itô's stochastic calculus, we get  $d(\delta\mathbf{u} \delta\mathbf{u}^T) = d(\delta\mathbf{u}) \delta\mathbf{u}^T + \delta\mathbf{u} d(\delta\mathbf{u}^T) + d(\delta\mathbf{u}) d(\delta\mathbf{u}^T)$ . Noting that  $\langle \delta\mathbf{u} d\mathbf{W}^T \rangle = 0$ , taking the expectations and keeping terms in the first order of the differential  $dt$ , we obtain:

$$\frac{d\mathbf{K}}{dt} = \mathbf{J} \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{J}^T + \mathbf{Q}_n \quad (9)$$

where the covariance matrix of the noise  $\mathbf{Q}_n$  is diagonal for uncorrelated noise. Hence, the stationary covariances (for which  $\frac{d\mathbf{K}}{dt} = 0$ ) can be obtained by solving the following algebraic equation:

$$\mathbf{J} \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{J}^T + \mathbf{Q}_n = \mathbf{0} \quad (10)$$

Equation (10) is a Lyapunov equation that can be solved using the eigen-decomposition of the Jacobian matrix<sup>10</sup>. To solve it numerically, we used the Matlab function *lyap.m*. We obtained the simulated functional connectivity  $\mathbf{FC}^{model}$  from the first  $N$  rows and columns of the covariance  $\mathbf{K}$  corresponding to the real part of the dynamics which is precisely used to model the BOLD fMRI or MEG signal.

In order to fit the model to the empirical data (BOLD fMRI or MEG signal of each subject in each condition, i.e. brain state), we ran a pseudo-gradient procedure aiming to optimize the coupling connectivity matrix  $\mathbf{C}$ . We optimized this generative effective coupling matrix between brain regions by comparing the output of the model with the empirical measures of the correlation matrix ( $\mathbf{FC}^{empirical}$ ) and of the normalized  $\tau$  time-shifted covariances ( $\mathbf{FS}^{empirical}(\tau)$ ) given by the shifted covariance matrix  $\mathbf{KS}^{empirical}(\tau)$  dividing each pair  $(i, j)$  by  $\sqrt{KS_{ii}^{empirical}(0)KS_{jj}^{empirical}(0)}$ . Note that the shifted covariance breaks the symmetry of the coupling and thus improves the level of fitting and in particular enables the strength of the effective connectivity in both directions between each pair of nodes cf.<sup>11</sup>. Using a heuristic gradient algorithm, we proceed to update the  $\mathbf{C}$  such that the fit is optimised. More specifically, the updating uses the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} C_{ij} = & C_{ij} + \varepsilon_1 \left( FC_{ij}^{empirical} - FC_{ij}^{model} \right) \\ & + \varepsilon_2 \left( FS_{ij}^{empirical}(\tau) - FS_{ij}^{model}(\tau) \right) \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

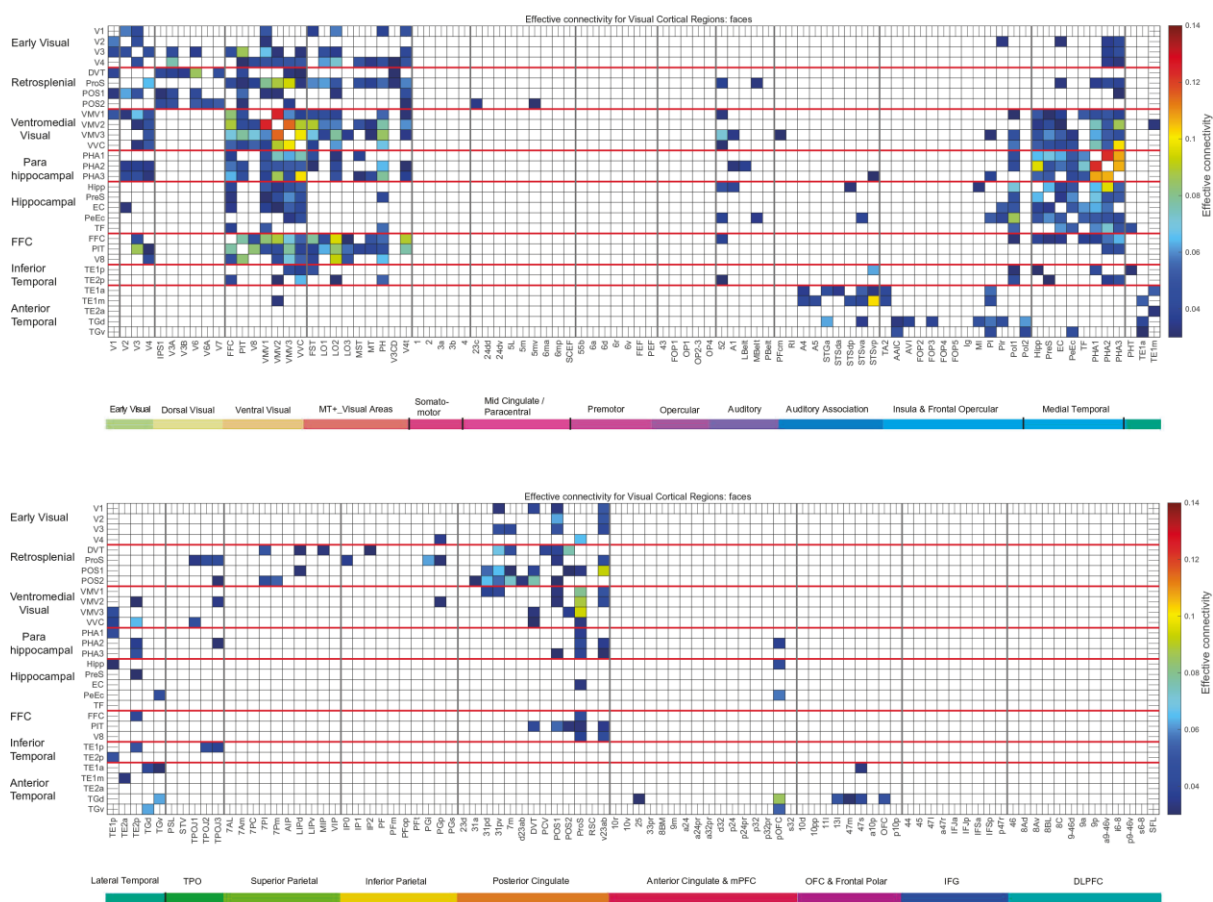
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where  $FS_{ij}^{model}(\tau)$  is given by the first  $N$  rows and columns of the simulated  $\tau$  time-shifted covariances  $\mathbf{KS}^{model}(\tau)$  normalized by dividing each pair  $(i, j)$  by  $\sqrt{KS_{ii}^{model}(0)KS_{jj}^{model}(0)}$ , with  $\mathbf{KS}^{model}(\tau)$  the shifted simulated covariance matrix computed as follows:

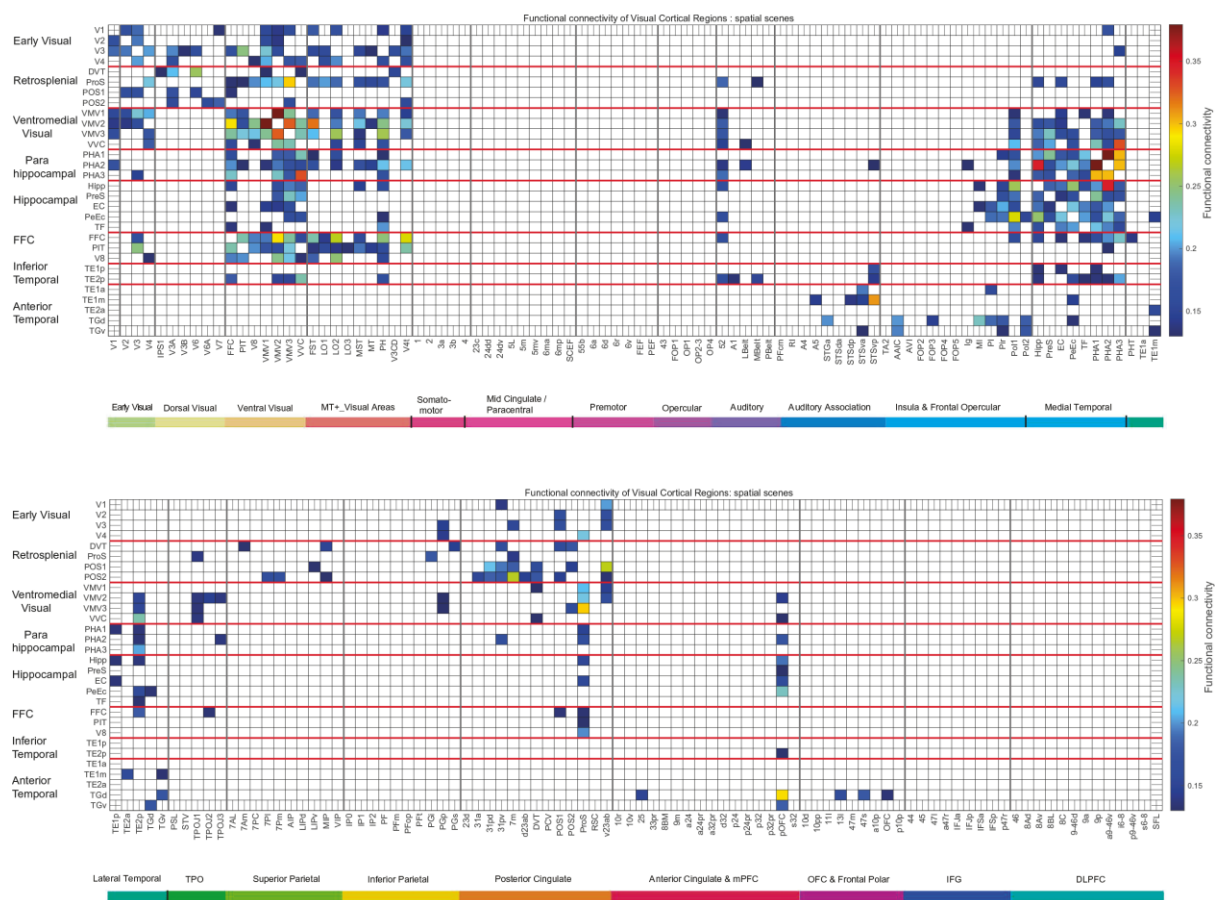
$$\mathbf{KS}^{model}(\tau) = \exp(\tau\mathbf{J}) \mathbf{K} \quad (12)$$

Note that  $\mathbf{KS}^{model}(0) = \mathbf{K}$ . The model was run repeatedly with the updated  $\mathbf{C}$  until the fit converged towards a stable value.

We initialised  $\mathbf{C}$  in the same way as with the simulation version of the Hopf effective connectivity algorithm. We used  $\varepsilon_1 = 0.0004$  for the Functional Connectivity terms in Equation 11, and  $\varepsilon_2 = 0.0001$  for the time delayed covariance term, and found that higher values could cause the algorithm to not converge correctly. The same applies to the simulation version of the algorithm. For the results described here, we computed the mean of  $FC^{empirical}$  and of  $FS^{empirical}$  across subjects, and used these as the input to the Hopf algorithm. With more than 20 participants in the MEG analyses described here, we were able to validate the results by splitting the data into two halves with 10+ participants each, and found that the 360x360 effective connectivity matrices computed with different participants were highly correlated with  $r=0.98$ .



**Fig. S2. Effective connectivity for visual cortical regions (the rows) with 180 cortical areas (the columns) in both hemispheres when viewing faces.** The effective connectivities are the mean across both directions for every pair of cortical regions. Effective connectivities of  $<0.03$  are shown as blank. The effective connectivity map is scaled to show 0.14 as the maximum. The effective connectivity for the first set of cortical regions is shown in the top panel; and for the second set of regions in the lower panel. Abbreviations: see Table S1. The groups of visual cortex regions are separated by red lines. Group 1 (top) Early Visual cortical areas V1-V4 of the HCP-MMP atlas; Group 2 regions in the retrosplenial complex; Group 3 ventromedial visual cortical regions; Group 4: Parahippocampal cortex regions; Group 5: Hippocampal and related regions; Group 6 intermediate cortical ventrolateral visual regions FFC (fusiform face cortex), PIT (posterior inferior temporal), and V8. Group 7: Inferior temporal visual cortex regions TE2p and TE1p. Group 8: Multimodal anterior temporal lobe regions including the frontal pole TGd and TGv. The coloured labelled bars show the cortical divisions in the HCP-MMP atlas<sup>1</sup>. The order of the cortical regions on the horizontal axes is that in Huang, Rolls et al.<sup>2</sup>. (ECmeanVisMEGface.eps)



**Fig. S3. Functional connectivity for visual cortical regions (the rows) with 180 cortical areas (the columns) in both hemispheres when viewing spatial scenes.** The functional connectivities are thresholded to produce the same binary sparseness at the effective connectivity shown in Fig. 2, 0.087. The upper figure shows the functional connectivity of the visual cortical regions with the first half of the cortical regions; the lower figure shows the functional connectivity with the second half of the cortical regions. Abbreviations: see Table S1. Conventions as in Fig. 2. (FCVisMEGscene.eps)

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