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Paired Inhibitory Stimulation and Gait Training Modulates Supplemental Motor Area Connectivity in Freezing of Gait

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Abstract

Introduction: Freezing of gait (FOG) is a debilitating feature of Parkinson's disease (PD). Evidence suggests patients with FOG have increased cortical control of gait. The supplementary motor area (SMA) may be a key structure due to its connectivity with locomotor and cognitive networks. The objectives of this study were to determine (1) if SMA connectivity is disrupted in patients with FOG and (2) if “inhibitory” repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation can decrease maladaptive SMA connectivity.

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Methods: Two experiments were performed. In experiment 1 resting-state (T2* BOLD imaging) was compared between 38 PD freezers and 17 PD controls. In experiment 2, twenty PD patients with FOG were randomized to either 10 sessions of real or sham rTMS to the SMA (1 Hz, 110% motor threshold, 1200 pulses/session) combined with daily gait training.

Results: (Experiment 1) Freezers had increased connectivity between the left SMA and the vermis of the cerebellum and decreased connectivity between the SMA and the orbitofrontal cortex ($p_{FDR-corr} < 0.05$). (Experiment 2) 10 sessions of active TMS reduced SMA connectivity with the anterior cingulate, angular gyrus and the medial temporal cortex, whereas sham TMS did not reduce SMA connectivity. From a behavioral perspective, both groups showed nFOG-Q improvements ($F(4, 25.7) = 3.87, p=0.014$).

Conclusions: The SMA in freezers is hyper-connected to the cerebellum, a key locomotor region which may represent maladaptive compensation. In this preliminary study, 1Hz rTMS reduced SMA connectivity however, this was not specific to the locomotor regions. Intervention outcomes may be improved with subject specific targeting of SMA.

Keywords

Freezing; Parkinson's Disease; Connectivity; Gait; Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation

Introduction

Freezing of gait (FOG) is a severely disabling feature of Parkinson's disease (PD) for which there are no effective therapies[1]. Defined as an episodic loss in forward stepping despite the intention to do so, patients with FOG have a higher prevalence of falling, and a loss of overall mobility[1, 2]. One conceptual model for FOG is that automaticity of gait, which typically does not require cognitive resources, begins to erode[3, 4]. The cost of executing a cognitive task while walking (i.e., dual tasking) is a well-established approach for quantifying gait automaticity[4]. Among participants with FOG, dual-task walking leads to a disproportionate reduction in velocity and increase in freezing [5]. This suggests automaticity of gait is reduced in FOG and higher-level cognitive resources are needed to compensate. Cortical control of gait, however, is not necessarily an effective compensatory strategy[6, 7].

In healthy individuals, the supplementary motor area (SMA) is a key node within the brain that links neural resources from cognitive and motor domains[8]. The SMA has connectivity to brain regions involved in attention and locomotor behavior[9, 10].

Recent studies have implicated the SMA in the development of FOG and dual tasking[1, 9]. Generally, studies have assumed enhanced activation and connectivity of the SMA is *adaptive* and reduces freezing behavior. A recent study testing this hypothesis, used a facilitatory form of high frequency transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS) targeting the SMA and found stimulation improved some aspects of gait [11]. There is, however, increasing support SMA hyper-connectivity is associated with worsened freezing severity [9, 12] and may in fact interfere with smooth, automatic gait. To date, it remains unclear whether the SMA plays an *adaptive* or *maladaptive* role in FOG. Specifically, no studies

have performed “inhibitory” stimulation to the SMA to directly evaluate the *maladaptive* hypothesis.

We sought to address two main objectives: (1) characterize *maladaptive* SMA connectivity in FOG and (2) determine whether *maladaptive* connectivity can be reversed. Objectives were accomplished using two experiments. In Experiment 1 we compared resting-state connectivity in 38 PD freezers to 17 PD non-freezers. In Experiment 2 we employed the use of 1 Hz repetitive transcranial magnetic stimulation (rTMS), to decrease cortical excitability and connectivity [13]. We tested the hypothesis that SMA hyper-connectivity, which represents an aberrant increase in volitional control of gait, can be reversed using 1Hz TMS when combined with gait training. To accomplish this, we performed a sham-controlled study in which brain connectivity (primary outcome) and freezing severity (secondary outcome) were assessed.

Materials and Methods

Participants. *Experiment 1 Participants.* Fifty-four PD participants were recruited for a cross-sectional, observational study comparing PD participants with (n=38) and without FOG (n=17). *Experiment 2 Participants.* Twenty participants with PD and FOG were recruited for a 10-day, double-blind, parallel assignment, randomized (12 active, 8 sham), sham controlled rTMS intervention study (Clinical-Trials.gov: [NCT03273270](https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study/NCT03273270)) (Supplemental Figure 4). Recruitment began April of 2017 and ended in March of 2020. The sample size for Experiment 1 and 2 were determined by the number of subjects needed to detect a difference in SMA connectivity between groups at 80% power using the mean and standard deviation of connectivity estimates from a previous study[9].

Participants for Experiment 1 & 2 were recruited from the Movement Disorders clinics Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) or the Ralph H Johnson VA hospital. Participants were informed of study procedures and provided consent approved by the MUSC Institutional Review Board (IRB). All participants had a PD diagnosis as defined by UK Brain Bank diagnostic criteria. “Freezer” status was based on Item 14 of the UPDRS, and Item 1 of the nFOG-Q. Presence of FOG was confirmed by direct observation by a movement disorders neurologist at screening. Exclusion criteria included MRI or TMS (Experiment 2 only) contraindications, cognitive dysfunction (<26 on the Mini-Mental State Examination), and inability to walk along a 30-foot walkway while in the OFF state.

Experiment 1 Methods.

MRI Assessment—MRI scans were collected at MUSC’s Center for Biomedical Imaging on a 3T Siemens Prisma scanner. T1 structural scans (32 channel head coil, TR = 2300 ms, TE = 2.26 ms, TI = 900 ms, slice thickness = 1 mm, field of view = 256 mm, flip angle = 8°) and resting-state functional scans were acquired in the ON-state while participants fixated on a cross (T2*; TR = 2200 ms, 36 transverse slices, thickness = 3.0 mm, interleaved or ascending slice order, 119 volumes, 4 minutes 30 seconds).

Behavioral Assessment—Behavioral assessments included the new Freezing of Gait Questionnaire (nFOG-Q), the Unified Parkinson’s Disease Rating Scale (UPDRS), and

objective gait assessments performed in the ON and OFF states. OFF assessments were made at least 12 hours OFF all dopaminergic medication (24 hours OFF extended-release formulations), ON assessments were made at least 30 minutes after taking the first dose of medications on the same day. Since the PD control group did not experience motor fluctuations, tasks were only performed in the ON state. Objective gait metrics were collected using a GAITRite® digital walkway (Supplemental Methods 1.1). Demographic and behavioral group comparisons were performed using a 2-sample t-tests or χ^2 tests (significant if $p < 0.05$).

RS-fMRI Connectivity Analysis: PD Freezers vs. PD Controls—A seed-to-voxel approach was used to determine left and right SMA (AAL atlas) connectivity (Supplement Methods 1.2). Differences in SMA connectivity between groups was assessed using a general linear regression framework and included age, disease duration, and sex as covariates. This analysis was performed both with and without levodopa equivalent daily dose (LEDD) as a covariate to determine its effect on connectivity. Whole brain voxel-wise differences between groups were carried out using a 2-sample t-test (voxel threshold $p < 0.01$, cluster threshold $p < 0.05$ FDR). *Relationship of SMA connectivity and behavior.* The relationship between SMA connections (increased in freezers relative to PD-controls) and FOG severity (nFOG-Q, single and dual task time to turn OFF) were assessed using partial correlations (significant if $p < 0.05$, Bonferroni corrected) correcting for age, and disease duration. Behavioral data were log transformed due to their non-normal distribution.

Experiment 2 Methods.

Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS)—TMS was performed in the ON state using a MagStim Rapid² stimulator and 70mm air cooled figure-of-eight coil. Resting motor thresholds (rMT) were estimated on the first visit using an adaptive algorithm. Participants were randomized to receive either active or sham rTMS (Supplemental Figure 1). The visit-to-visit stability of the SMA target location (40% of the distance nasion toinion along the midline of the scalp) was aided with Brainsight neuro-navigation (Rogue Research Inc., Montreal, Canada) (Supplemental Methods 1.4). TMS was delivered at 1Hz (110% rMT, 1200 pulses per session, 20 minutes total). Sham setup is described in the supplement (Supplemental Methods 1.5).

Gait Training—A 20-minute gait training session was performed immediately following each active or sham treatment. Repetitive trials of walking were performed with a concurrent cognitive task at a consistent speed while accompanied by the therapist. Consistent with prior work [14, 15], the difficulty of the cognitive task (working memory, language and calculation) was increased at each session while maintaining a consistent walking velocity. Participants were instructed to focus on the cognitive task rather than their gait with the goal of improving gait automaticity.

Pre and Post MRI Assessments—MRI scans were collected in the ON-state at baseline and within 24 hours completing the intervention. Structural (T1) and functional (T2*) scans were equivalent to those described in Experiment 1.

Pre and Post Behavioral Assessments—Motor assessments (see Experiment 1) were performed before and again within 24 hours of the last treatment session (Supplemental Figure 1, Supplemental Methods 1.1). The nFOG-Q was additionally performed at 1, 2 and 3-months follow-ups.

RS-fMRI Connectivity Analysis: Pre vs. Post—Functional connectivity preprocessing (Supplemental Methods 1.2) was equivalent to those described in Experiment 1. A general linear regression framework was used to determine changes (Pre>Post, Post>Pre contrasts) in SMA whole-brain connectivity. To identify if SMA connectivity changed to a greater extent following active stimulation compared to sham stimulation the interaction between time (Pre, Post) and treatment group (Active, Sham) was analyzed (voxel threshold $p < 0.01$, cluster threshold FDR corrected $p < 0.05$).

Statistical Analysis of Baseline Assessments and Behavior—To assess group differences in demographics independent 2-sample t-tests were performed (significant if $p < 0.05$). Interactions between time and treatment group for measures of freezing behavior were assessed using a linear mixed model with a first-order autoregression (AR(1)) model and Restricted Maximum Likelihood (REML) estimation. For each model fixed factors included time (pre vs post) and treatment group (active vs sham) and LEDD was included as a covariate. Statistics were performed using IBM SPSS Statistics (V25).

E-field Modeling—SimNIBS software (Version 3.1.2) was used to simulate the electric field produced by SMA TMS (Supplemental Methods 1.3). Individual Brainsight coordinates were used to determine coil location.

Results

Experiment 1.

Demographics, disease severity and gait measures.—See Supplemental Table 1 for group demographic, disease severity and gait measures. Years of education was greater among PD controls ($t = 3.25$, $p = 0.029$). Levodopa Equivalent Daily Dose (LEDD) ($t = 4.13$, $p = 0.00015$) was greater in freezers.

SMA Connectivity in PD FOG vs. PD Non-FOG.—*Left SMA Seed.* Relative to PD controls, FOG participants had elevated connectivity to the vermis of the cerebellum ($p_{\text{FDR-corr}} = 0.047$, $Z = 3.85$). PD controls had greater connectivity to the bilateral orbitofrontal cortex and a large cluster extending from entorhinal cortex and amygdala to the brainstem (Figure 1, Supplemental Table 2). *Right SMA Seed.* Relative to freezers, PD controls had greater connectivity to the left basal forebrain, orbitofrontal cortex and precuneus (Figure 1, Supplemental Table 2). The addition of LEDD as a covariate did not change which regions were detected to be significantly different between the freezer and non-freezer group (Supplemental Table 3). *Relationship of increased SMA connectivity and FOG behavior.* SMA connectivity with the cerebellum did not correlate with the nFOG-Q or spatiotemporal measures (ON or OFF state).

Experiment 2.

Demographics, disease severity and thresholds.—The active and sham groups did not differ significantly in mean age, level of education, LEDD, disease duration or PD motor impairment severity (Table 1).

Functional Connectivity. Left SMA Seed.—Following active rTMS, there was a decrease in connectivity to the anterior cingulate, medial prefrontal cortex, angular gyrus, and middle temporal gyrus and an increase in connectivity to postcentral gyrus. Following sham rTMS, there were no decreases in connectivity (Supplemental Table 4, Figure 2).

Right SMA Seed. Following active rTMS there was a decrease in connectivity to the anterior cingulate, medial prefrontal cortex, parietal operculum, angular gyrus, precuneus and bilateral middle temporal gyrus and an increase to the postcentral gyrus and precuneus (Supplemental Table 4, Figure 2).

E-field modeling.—E-fields exceeding 50 V/m are seen on gyri of both the left and right SMA in all participants (Supplemental Figure 3). The mean peak (99.9%) e-field was 81.4 ± 10.1 V/m (range: 62.5–99.1 V/m).

Change in Behavior. nFoG-Q.—There was a significant effect of time ($F(4, 25.7) = 3.87, p=0.014$), wherein scores decreased (improved) from pre intervention to post intervention timepoints. There was no interaction between time and group ($F(4, 25.75) = 0.600, p=0.666$) (Table 2, Supplemental Figure 2).

UPDRS-III.—There was a trend toward a main effect of time ($F(1,18) = 4.202, p=0.055$) for the UPDRS-III OFF wherein scores improved pre to post intervention, however, there was no interaction with group (time x group, $F(1,18) = 0.035, p=0.854$). UPDRS-III ON did not have main effects of time or interactions (Table 2).

Spatiotemporal measures.—Cadence during the OFF state did not have a significant main effect of time ($F(1,11.9) = 3.820, p=0.075$) but did have a significant interaction (time x group, $F(2, 13.7) = 4.349, p=0.035$). Velocity during the OFF state did not have a significant main effect of time ($F(1, 12.3) = 2.510, p=0.138$), or interaction (time x group, $F(2,14) = 0.804, p=0.467$). Velocity and cadence during the ON state did not have main effects of time or interactions (Table 2).

Time to turn.—There were no significant effects of time (pre versus post) on turn duration for either the single or dual task conditions (Table 2).

Discussion

In this two-part study we set out to (1) characterize SMA connectivity in freezers relative to non-freezers and (2) determine whether “inhibitory” SMA stimulation could reduce hyper-connectivity and subsequently improve freezing behavior. While the majority of rTMS studies in FOG have attempted to enhance *adaptive* cortical control of gait using facilitatory forms of stimulation, there is evidence that increased SMA activity and connectivity is *maladaptive* and may in fact interfere with automatic gait[9, 12]. In support of this

maladaptive hypothesis, we found the SMA to be hyper-connected to cerebellar locomotor regions in participants with FOG when compared to PD controls. Furthermore, we demonstrate that low frequency stimulation in participants with FOG reduces connectivity to regions involved in executive control (e.g., the medial PFC/ACC), and cognition/attention (e.g., the angular gyrus). Low frequency stimulation combined with dual-task gait training produced variable, but no significant changes in nFOG-Q scores.

The SMA in FOG: Adaptive vs Maladaptive Theory

Previous studies have argued that the use of excitatory (10 Hz) rTMS applied to the SMA can improve freezing because cortical control of gait is an adaptive, compensatory mechanism. Indeed, 10 Hz stimulation was previously shown to improve nFOG-Q scores, however, effect sizes were small, and the sham condition did not account for differences in scalp sensation between sham and active rTMS[11]. Alternatively, we suggested that SMA may actually interfere with subcortical automatic gait control by the brain's locomotor network. The concept of maladaptive, compensatory plasticity for motor control can be seen in other neurological diseases including, stroke wherein the less affected cortex interferes with effective motor execution [16]. In FOG, maladaptive functional reorganization is evidenced by imaging studies showing the SMA is hyper-connected with brainstem locomotor structures (e.g., the mesencephalic locomotor region)[9, 12]. Our study extends these findings by demonstrating the SMA is hyper-connected to the vermis of the cerebellum, a region critical for adjustments in posture and locomotion with direct target of anatomical projections from cortex[17]. FOG participants also demonstrated decreased SMA connectivity to the orbitofrontal cortex and limbic regions which likely reflect its complexity [18] and relationship to the progressive degeneration of brain tissue[19].

Effects of SMA rTMS and Gait Training on Functional Connectivity

We observed a reduction in SMA connectivity to cortical regions including the ACC, angular gyrus, and middle temporal gyrus, demonstrating “inhibitory” rTMS can indeed reduce SMA connectivity to regions which influence executive and attentional control during gait. The ACC in particular has been shown to support coordination of movement, task switching, and adaptation of motor plans[20, 21], while the angular gyrus is associated with visuospatial attention [22]. Despite these changes, locomotor network connectivity appeared largely unchanged. This may reflect the heterogeneity of SMA connectivity. Distinct sub-regions of the SMA differ substantially in their efferent and afferent connections. For example, anterior regions of the SMA (pre-SMA) have dense connections to pre-frontal (cognitive) regions, while posterior portions of SMA (SMA-proper) are strongly connected to the motor network[23]. Variability in SMA targeting in this study is demonstrated by e-field models, wherein the particular gyri stimulated varied substantially between individuals. Thus, more targeted stimulation protocols may be needed to reduce variability in outcomes. Observed increases in SMA connectivity (with cerebellum) and decreases in SMA connectivity (with cognitive and limbic regions) demonstrated in Experiment 1 further emphasizes the need for individualized stimulation strategies for FOG. While “facilitatory” 10 Hz stimulation may benefit those with disrupted SMA-prefrontal connectivity, individuals with SMA-cerebellum hyper-connectivity may primarily benefit from “inhibitory” 1 Hz rTMS. Recent studies have supported the concept

of multiple FOG subtypes which can be characterized by intrinsic connectivity [24]. Finally, it's important to consider that rTMS effects on functional networks can be inconsistent or even paradoxical to our current understanding of frequency dependent neuromodulation[25, 26]. Observed connectivity changes may have differed from previous investigations due to several factors including pulse dose, and number of sessions.

Influence of Gait Training on Connectivity

Gait training by itself has been known to cause lasting changes in brain connectivity. Rehabilitation associated improvements in walking for example are associated with sensorimotor and pre-motor plasticity [27] [28]. While our study was not specifically designed to evaluate the effects of gait training on brain connectivity, both groups received it as part of the intervention. Interestingly both groups displayed increased connectivity between the SMA and the medial primary sensory cortex, suggesting the effect may be attributable to gait training. Within the sham group connectivity to visual areas known to be impaired in FOG[29] were increased, potentially reflecting visual-spatial adaptations as a result of gait training.

Effects of paired rTMS and Gait Training on Behavior

While we did not see a statistically significant difference between active and sham nFOG-Q scores, we did see a numerical reduction in nFOG-Q scores which was greater than the sham group. Consistent with our connectivity findings, this may represent the heterogeneity of targeting within each individual's SMA as well as individual differences in FOG subtypes. Interestingly, we did not see a significant improvement in overall motor symptoms of PD (UPDRS-III) which suggesting improvements in freezing were not related to global improvements in PD severity. It is important to note that there were likely real improvements as the result of gait training in both the sham and active rTMS groups. This may in turn have minimized our ability to detect between group differences in behavioral outcome measures. Lastly, cadence in the OFF state demonstrated a significant group by time interaction, suggesting the sham group had a greater increase in cadence following the intervention. We believe this difference is primarily attributable to the substantially lower and highly variable cadence performance measures at baseline in the sham group. This difference in baseline cadence may have magnified the improvement in the sham group relative to the active group.

Limitations

It's important to consider that connectivity in this study was evaluated at rest and thus may not directly reflect brain activity during walking behavior. Furthermore, interaction between dopaminergic medication and functional connectivity is incompletely understood. Connectivity within and between the motor, default mode and attentional networks are known to increase following L-DOPA administration[30]. This confound was minimized by including LEDD as a regressor in our analyses. The small sample size, and lack of individualized targeting may have limited our ability to detect a significant difference in freezing behavior. Responder analysis in a larger sample may help determine the relationship between FOG subtype and rTMS response. Finally, we had some participants which did not complete follow-up FOG-Q assessments which limited our ability to determine the long-term effects of stimulation on freezing behavior.

Conclusions

The SMA in FOG is hyper-connected to cerebellum, but hypo-connected to prefrontal and limbic regions. In this preliminary 10-day study of “inhibitory” rTMS and gait training, connectivity was reduced to prefrontal regions. The lack of SMA-locomotor modulation and heterogeneity in behavioral response to rTMS emphasizes the need for individualized stimulation approaches and suggests the SMA likely does not play a purely adaptive or maladaptive role in FOG. Future studies may consider individualizing targets based on FOG subtypes to improve response.

Supplementary Material

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Abbreviations

SMA	Supplemental Motor Area
ACC	Anterior Cingulate Cortex
MTG	Middle Temporal Gyrus
AG	Angular Gyrus
fMRI	Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging
PD	Parkinson’s Disease
FOG	Freezing of Gait
L-DOPA	Levodopa
rMT	Resting Motor Threshold
(r)TMS	(Repetitive) Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation
FDR	False Discovery Rate
LEDD	Levodopa Equivalent Daily Dose

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Highlights

- Unknown if supplementary motor area is adaptive or maladaptive for freezing of gait
- The supplemental motor area is hyperconnected to the cerebellum in freezers
- Low frequency stimulation of the supplemental motor area and gait training reduces connectivity
- Low frequency stimulation and gait training has variable effects on freezing outcomes

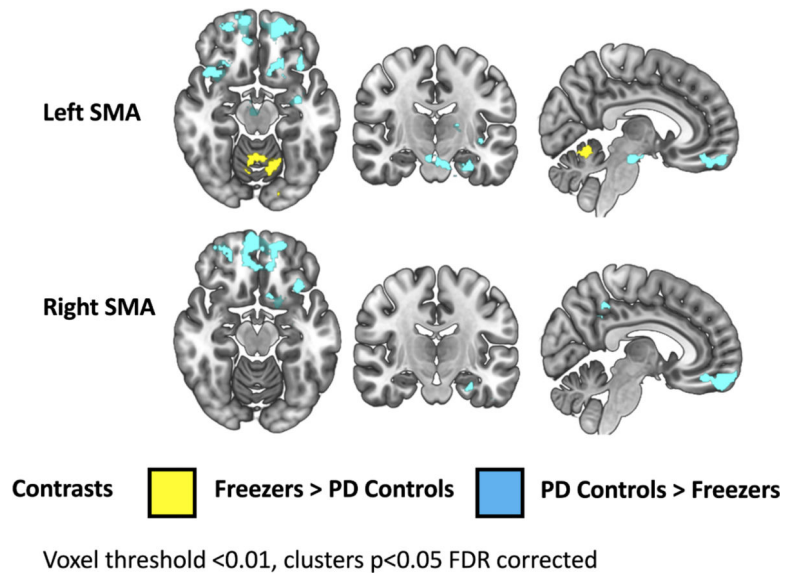


Figure 1. SMA resting-state functional connectivity in freezers versus PD controls. Brain areas in which SMA connectivity is greater in freezers than PD controls (yellow) and greater in PD controls than freezers (blue) on an MNI template brain. Clusters shown are $p < 0.05$, FDR corrected.

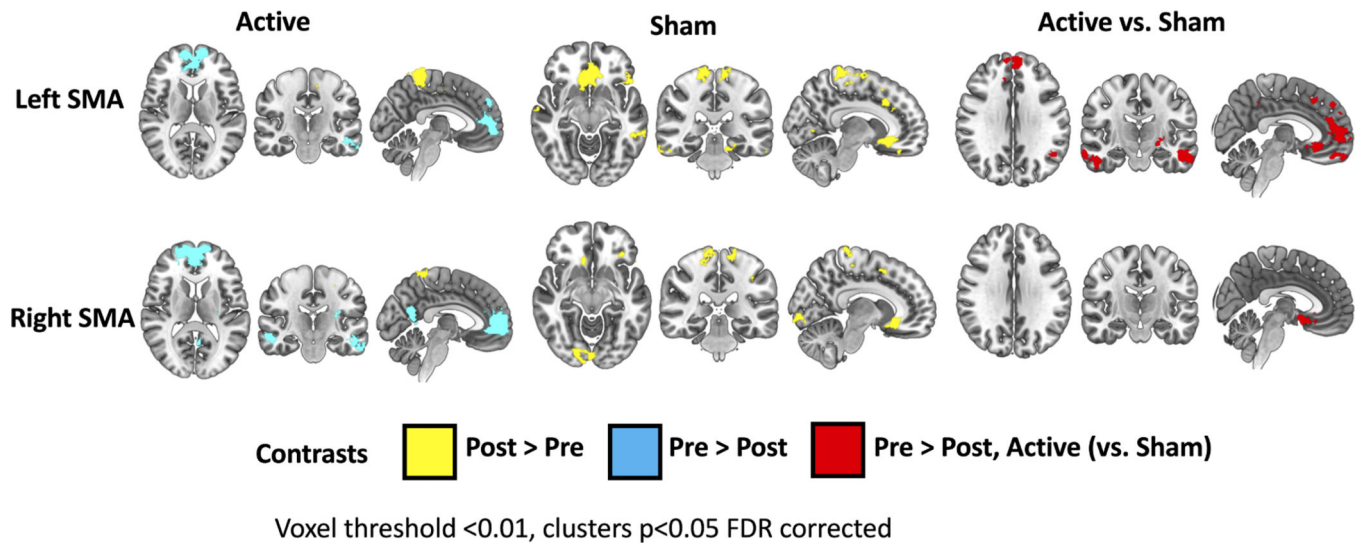


Figure 2. SMA resting-state functional connectivity changes following active vs sham rTMS and gait training.

Brain regions with either increased (yellow) or decreased (blue) SMA connectivity following the intervention are shown on an MNI template. Brain regions are shown where active stimulation (relative to sham) had a greater SMA connectivity decrease (red). Clusters $p<0.05$, FDR corrected.

Table 1.

Demographics, disease severity, and TMS parameters for Experiment II

	Active (n=12)	Sham (n=8)
Age (mean years \pm SD)	66.6 \pm 7.5 years	64.5 \pm 8.9 years
Sex (M,F)	7,5	7,1
Education (mean \pm SD)	15.25 \pm 4 years	14.75 \pm 2.5 years
Disease Duration (mean \pm SD)	8.7 \pm 7.12 years	8.0 \pm 5.63 years
Stimulation Intensity (mean \pm SD)	71.583 \pm 11.5 %MSO	N/A
MagStim rMT (mean \pm SD)	65 \pm 10.3 %MSO	57.5 \pm 8.2 %MSO
MMSE (mean \pm SD)	29.08 \pm 1.16 a.u.	28.38 \pm 1.69 a.u.
UPDRS (OFF) (mean \pm SD)	43.83 \pm 10.82 a.u.	47.38 \pm 11.10 a.u.
UPDRS III (OFF) (mean \pm SD)	25.08 \pm 7.012 a.u.	25.38 \pm 10.25 a.u.
H&Y Staging (OFF) (mean \pm SD)	2.32 \pm 0.405 a.u.	2.29 \pm 0.267 a.u.
LEDD (mean \pm SD)	1074.4 \pm 493.9 mg	1304.4 \pm 757.3mg

M = male, F = female, a.u. = arbitrary units, %MSO = percentage of maximum machine output

Table 2.

Effect of Active versus Sham Stimulation on Motor Behavior

nFOG-Q			
	Timepoint	Active (mean ± SD)	Sham (mean ± SD)
	Baseline	21.42±2.74	19.88±4.88
	Post	16.58±6.79	18.13±5.93
	1 Month F/U	18.22±4.92	18.43±6.08
	2 Month F/U	16.75±6.30	16.33±6.77
	3 Month F/U	18.13±7.77	13.75±10.81
UPDRS-III score			
	Timepoint	Active	Sham
UPDRS-III (ON)	Baseline	16.82±4.12	15.75±5.97
	Post	12.73±5.46	17.13±8.43
UPDRS-III (OFF)	Baseline	25.08±7.01	25.38±10.25
	Post	22.08±7.30	22.88±8.94
Time to Turn (seconds)			
	Timepoint	Active	Sham
Single Task (ON)	Baseline	7.40±4.35	7.42±4.58
	Post	6.52±4.76	6.89±2.42
Single Task (OFF)	Baseline	13.30±10.08	37.63±83.38
	Post	8.68±6.52	8.92±5.07
Dual Task (ON)	Baseline	10.37±8.31	30.14±54.24
	Post	12.10±20.72	10.91±7.61
Dual Task (OFF)	Baseline	25.58±36.09	17.12±13.65
	Post	13.53±17.22	11.25±7.53
Spatiotemporal Measures			
Measure	Timepoint	Active	Sham
Velocity (ON)	Baseline	105.68±21.38	100.46±20.16
	Post	105.81±21.03	93.99±19.17
Velocity (OFF)	Baseline	89.62±37.96	74.81±37.93
	Post	95.17±19.62	88.20±25.01
Cadence (ON)	Baseline	117.35± 10.41	108.76±16.95
	Post	119.51±9.89	108.46±14.53
Cadence (OFF)	Baseline	114.11±11.95	91.70±26.01
	Post	119.21±9.42	103.61± 10.12