

Supporting Information for:

Chemical Gradients within Brain Extracellular Space Measured using Low Flow Push-Pull Perfusion Sampling *in Vivo*

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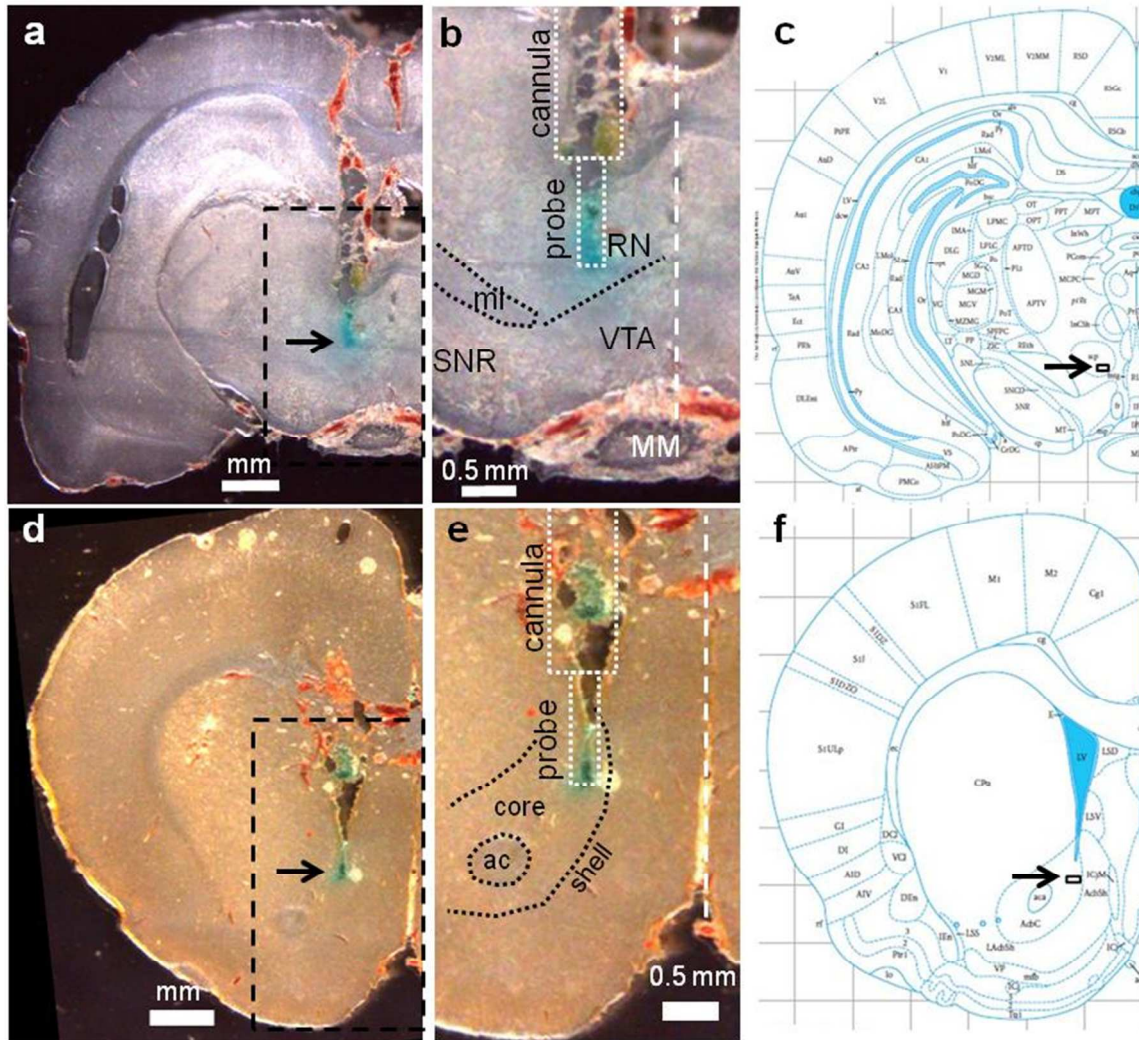


Figure 1. Examples of histology for probe tracking. Coronal brain slices were mounted to microscope slides (**a**, **d**). Fast Green FCF stained the probe track a blue color, whereas the cannula track was inherently visible by displaced tissue (**a**, **b**, **d**, **e**). Anatomical features including white matter, ventricles, and regional boundaries provided references for identifying placements (**b**, **e**). Probe tip placements were then mapped on diagrams of coronal slices (*1*) (**c**, **f**). Panels **b** and **e** include overlays of the probe and cannula locations (drawn to scale), the medial line (white), and visible features. Arrows indicate sampling sites (**a**, **c**, **d**, **e**). **Abbreviations:** *SNR* – substantia nigra reticulata; *ml* – medial lemniscus; *MM* – medial mammillary nucleus; *ac* – anterior commissure; *RN* – red nucleus; *VTA* – ventral tegmental area.

Region	Neurotransmitter	“No-Net-Flux” Concentration	Species	Push-Pull Concentration
VTA	DA	5.0 ± 0.5 nM(2)	♀ Indiana “P”	4.8 ± 1.5 nM
	Glu	3.3 ± 0.8 μM, 4.1 ± 0.5 μM(3)	♀ Wistar	8.5 ± 2.7 μM
Accumbens	5-HT	0.7 nM(4)	♂ SD	1.3 ± 0.6 nM (core)
		0.7 ± 0.1 nM(5)	♂ Wistar	0.6 ± 0.2 nM (shell)
		0.6 ± 0.1 nM(6)	♂ Wistar	
	DA	4.7 ± 0.7 nM(7)	♂ Holtzman	7.2 ± 1.2 nM (core)
		5.6 ± 0.4 nM(5)	♂ Wistar	11 ± 4 nM (shell)
		8.3 ± 1.2 nM(6)	♂ Wistar	
	GABA	32.7 ± 4.0 nM(8)	♂ SD	150 ± 110 nM (core) 92 ± 48 nM (shell)
Glu	1.8 ± 0.4 μM, 2.4 ± 0.5 μM(9)	♂ SD	2.4 ± 0.9 μM (core)	
	5.6 ± 1.0 μM(10)	♂ SD	0.93 ± 0.34 μM (shell)	
Striatum (anesthetized)	DA	2.5 ± 0.5 nM(11)	♂ SD	1.7 ± 0.2 nM
		6.5 ± 1.1 nM(12)	♂ SD	
	Glu	3.0 ± 0.6 μM(13)	♂ SD	1.1 ± 0.2 μM

Table 1. Comparison of concentrations measured by microdialysis calibrated by “no-net-flux”, and low-flow push-pull perfusion (this work). Male Sprague-Dawley (SD) rats were utilized for push-pull, whereas animals in referenced microdialysis studies varied, as shown above.

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