

1 **Supplementary Information**

2 **The human attentional control network includes a ventro-temporal**
3 **cortical node**

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17 **Supplementary Table1.**

AREA	Talairach		KOLSTER Talairach	
	LH	RH	LH	RH
MT+	-48 -74 6	48 -60 6	-48 -75 3	46 -78 6
phPIT	-42 -73 -11	45 -75 -10	-40 -85 -6	42 -85 -9
LOC	-48 -66 -4	56 -64 -8	-42 -89 -2	40 -91 -3
			-36 -90 4	36 -92 3
PHA	-22 -42 -12	28 -42 -6	n.a.	n.a.
Faces1	-44 -70 -14	48 -74 -12	n.a.	n.a.
Faces2	-42 -48 -18	42 -42 -22	n.a.	n.a.
TPJ	-42 -76 37	57 -64 31	n.a.	n.a.

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19 **Supplementary Table 1 – related to figure 3: Average Talairach (MNI) coordinates of the center of seven sets**
 20 **of functionally defined areas.** Average Talairach coordinates (MNI) of the center of areas lobe in the left and right
 21 hemispheres of the temporal lobe defined through the attention task (phPIT) and localizers (motion: MT+; object:
 22 LOC; places: PHA; faces: FACES1 and 2). For comparison, Talairach coordinates of the same areas defined in a
 23 recent retinotopic experiment are also shown (left columns)¹. MT+: middle temporal complex; phPIT, putative human
 24 posterior infero-temporal area; LOC: lateral occipital complex; PHA: parahippocampal area; Faces1-2: face area 1-2;
 25 TPJ: temporo parietal junction.

26 **Supplementary Table2.**

Attention	0.54	0.54	0.28	0.11	0.08	0.36	0.02	0.06	0.17	0.08	0.02	0.04	0.53	0.23	0.43	0.01	0.06	0.14	0.19	0.29	0.34
Motion (10⁻³)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.10	2.47	1.24	5.84	0.00	0.11	0.00	0.32	3.33	0.41
Static (10⁻²)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.43	0.57	0.75	0.13	0.00	0.10	0.45	0.84	0.31	0.00	0.01	0.15	0.61	0.87	0.54
Shapes	0.63	0.63	0.58	0.37	0.61	0.83	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.62	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.09	0.89	0.00	0.92	0.55	0.76	0.88
	V1	V2	V3	V3A	V3B	V4	V4t	MT	MST	FST	PIT	FCC	PHIA1	PHIA2	PHIA3	LO1	LO2	LO3	LIPv	LIPd	IPS1

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28 **Supplementary Table 2 – related to figure 5.** p-values for the statistics testing significance of response differences

29 in the attention task (attended vs. unattended; one-sided paired t-test, uncorrected for multiple comparisons), motion

30 localizer (moving vs. static stimuli; one-sided paired t-test, uncorrected for multiple comparisons), responsivity to

31 static stimuli (one-sided t-test, uncorrected for multiple comparisons) and shape localizer (faces, scenes, objects; one-

32 way ANOVA uncorrected for multiple comparisons). Significant effects are indicated in bold ($p < 0.05$). Please note

33 p-values $< 10^{-5}$ (for motion), 10^{-4} (for static), 10^{-2} (for shapes) are indicated as 0. V1-2-3-3A-3B-4: visual areas 1-2-

34 3-3A-3B-4; V4t: visual area 4 transition; MT+: middle temporal; MST: middle superior temporal; FST: fundus

35 superior temporal; pHIT: putative human posterior infero-temporal area; FCC: fusiform face complex; PH1-2-3, para-

36 hippocampal area 1-2-3; LO1-2-3: lateral occipital areas 1-2-3; LIPv: ventral latera intraparietal area; LIPd: dorsal

37 latera intraparietal area; IPS1: intra parietal sulcus 1; other conventions as in Supplementary Table 1.

38 **Supplementary Table3.**

Application	Github repository	Open Service DOI
DATA PREPARATION		
Bvec Normalization	https://github.com/brain-life/app-datanormalize	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.4
T1 AC-PC Alignment	https://github.com/brain-life/app-acpcART	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.16
Register to T1	https://github.com/brainlife/app-dtiinit	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.3
dMRI Shell Splitting	https://github.com/brain-life/app-splitshells	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.17
NODDI Fit via Amico	https://github.com/brain-life/app-noddi-amico	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.35
ROI		
Multi-Atlas Transfer Tool	https://github.com/faskowit/app-multiAtlasTT	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.23
ROI Generation Tool	https://github.com/brain-life/app-roiGenerator	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.37
TRACTOGRAPHY		
ROI to ROI Ensemble		
Tractography	https://github.com/brain-life/app-roi2roittracking	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.34
Ensemble Tractography	https://github.com/brain-life/app-ensembletracking	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.33
Remove Tract Outliers	https://github.com/brainlife/app-AFQclean	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.11
Tract Profiles	https://github.com/brain-life/app-tractanalysisprofiles	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.43
Tract Statistics	https://github.com/kitchell/app-classifiedfibertractstats	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.12
Linear Fascicle Evaluation	https://github.com/brainlife/app-life	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.1
White matter Tract Segmentation	https://github.com/brain-life/app-wmaSeg	https://doi.org/10.25663/bl.app.41
Generate tract endpoint maps	https://github.com/brainlife/app-endpointMapGeneration/tree/1.0	https://doi.org/10.25663/brainlife.app.194
CONTROLS		
Attention ROI Warp	https://github.com/brainlife/Attention_ROI_warp	https://doi.org/10.25663/brainlife.app.168

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40 **Supplementary Table 3 – related to figure 6 and 7.** Description and web-links to the open source code and open
 41 cloud services used in the creation and analysis of the diffusion MRI dataset.

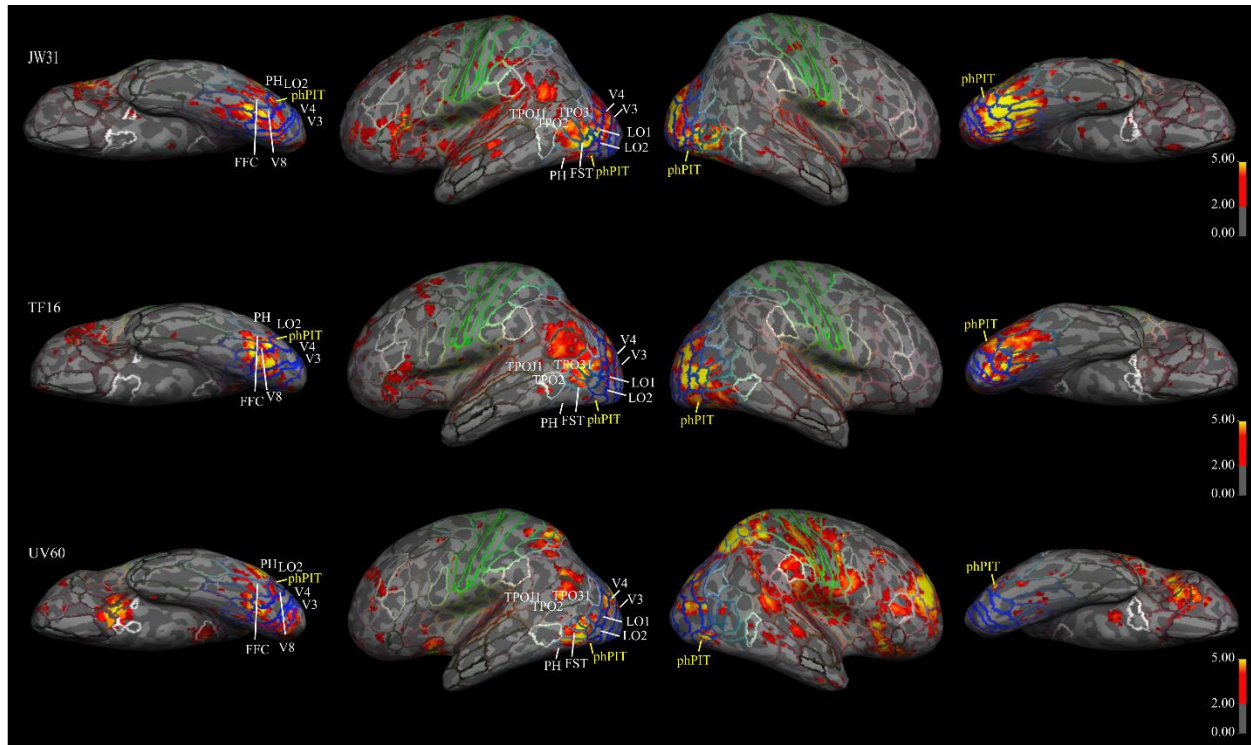
42 **Supplementary Table 4.**

CONTROL PROPERTY	Theoretical proposals ²	FEF (2)	LIP (3)	phPIT (4)	TPJ (5)	V1 (6)
Activation during prolonged endogenous attention	✓	✓	✓	✓	x	x
Independence of specific visual features	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	x
Causal relationship with attentive behavior/state	✓	✓	✓	✓	n.a.	x
Sustained neuronal response for attention signals	✓	✓	✓	✓	n.a.	x
Neuropsychological evidence	n.a.	✓	✓	✓	✓	x

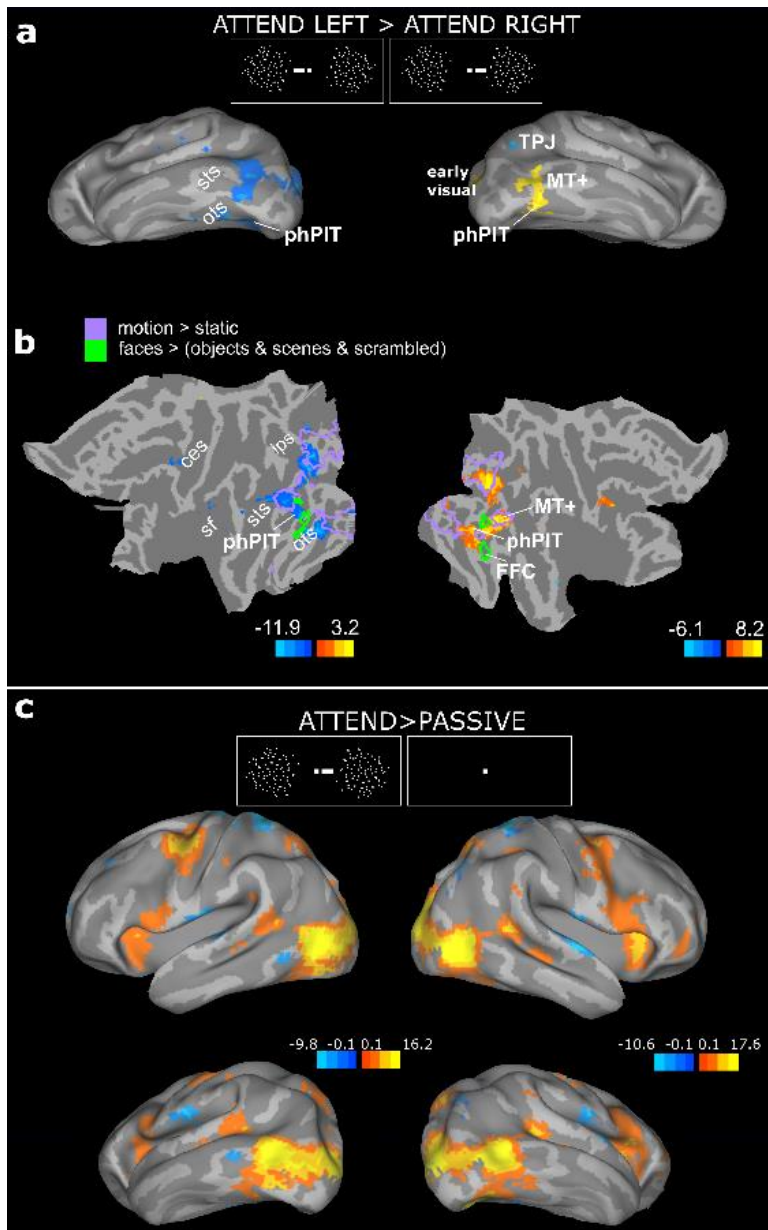
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44 **Supplementary Table 4– related to figure 3, 4, and discussion.** A checklist of functional properties required to
 45 define an attention control area is shown for dorsal attention nodes FEF (frontal eye fields) and LIP (lateral intra-
 46 parietal area), for phPIT (putative human posterior infero-temporal area)), and for TPJ (temporo parietal junction) and
 47 V1 (visual area 1) for comparison. Example references are provided below: (1)²; (2)²⁻⁷ (3)^{4,5}; (4)^{1,8-12} (5)^{13,14} (6)¹⁵⁻¹⁸.

48 **Supplementary Figure 1**



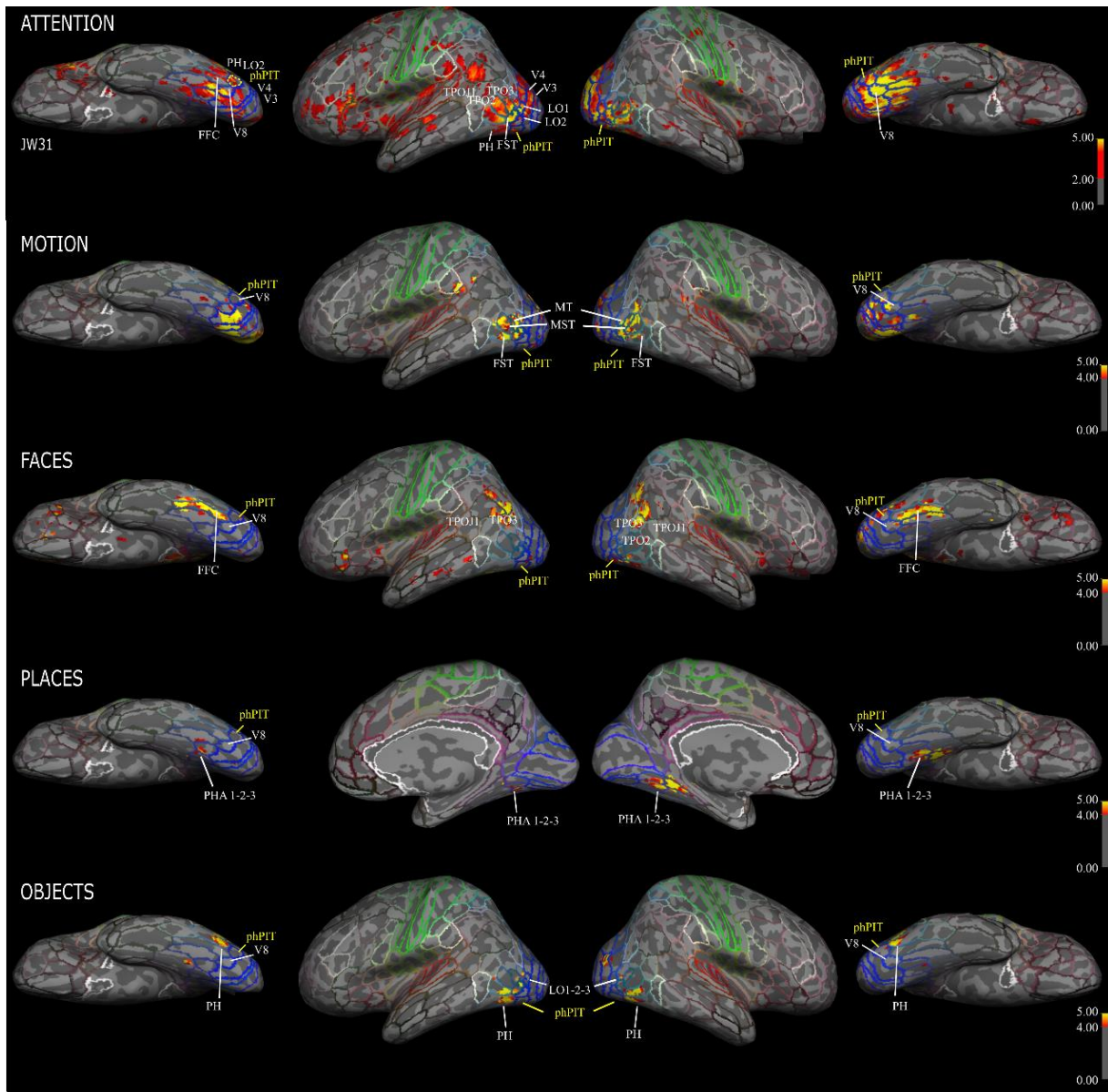
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50 **Supplementary Figure 1 – related to Figure 3. Activation for the attentive motion discrimination for three**
51 **individual subjects.** Statistical parametric maps of the contrast ‘attend contralaterally versus ipsilaterally’ overlaid
52 on the inflated brains of three single subjects. Task-related activations (yellow/red) are shown on lateral and inferior
53 views of the brain and superimposed on the Glasser atlas parcellation¹⁹. As expected, attention modulated early visual
54 areas like V3, V4, and motion areas MT, MST and FST. Surprisingly attention, activated phPIT and V8 area. The
55 color-bar shows T-values task-related activations. FFC: fusiform face area; FST: fundus superior temporal area; LO1-
56 2: lateral occipital areas 1-2; PH: basal temporo-occipital area; phPIT: putative human posterior infero-temporal area;
57 TPOJ-1-2-3: temporo parietal occipital junction 1-2-3; V2-3-8: visual areas 2-3-8.



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 60 **Supplementary Figure 2 – related to Figure 3-4. phPIT functional profile random effect group analysis.** **a.** Statistical
 61 parametric maps of the contrast ‘attend left versus right’ for the random effect group analysis overlaid on the inferior
 62 views of the average human inflated brain. **b.** Statistical parametric maps of the contrast ‘attend left versus right’
 63 for the random effect group analysis overlaid on flat map of the left and right hemispheres; solid lines show visual
 64 selectivity for motion (purple) and faces (green). The color-bar shows T-values task-related activations and
 65 inactivations. **c.** Statistical parametric maps of the contrast ‘attention (ATTEND) vs. passive fixation (PASSIVE)’

66 overlaid on the lateral and inferior views of the inflated average human brain. The color-bar shows T-values task-
67 related activations (yellow/red) and inactivation (blue). ces: central sulcus; ips: intra-parietal sulcus; ots: Occipito-
68 temporal sulcus; sf: Sylvian Fissure; sts: superior temporal sulcus; FFC: fusiform face area; MT+: middle temporal
69 area; phPIT: putative human posterior infero-temporal area; TPJ: temporo-parietal junction; other conventions as in
70 Supplementary Table 1-2.

71 **Supplementary Figure 3**



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73 **Supplementary Figure 3 – related to Figure 3-4. Individual subject functional characterization of phPIT.**

74 Statistical parametric maps of attention and four different localizers overlaid on the inflated brain of a single subject.

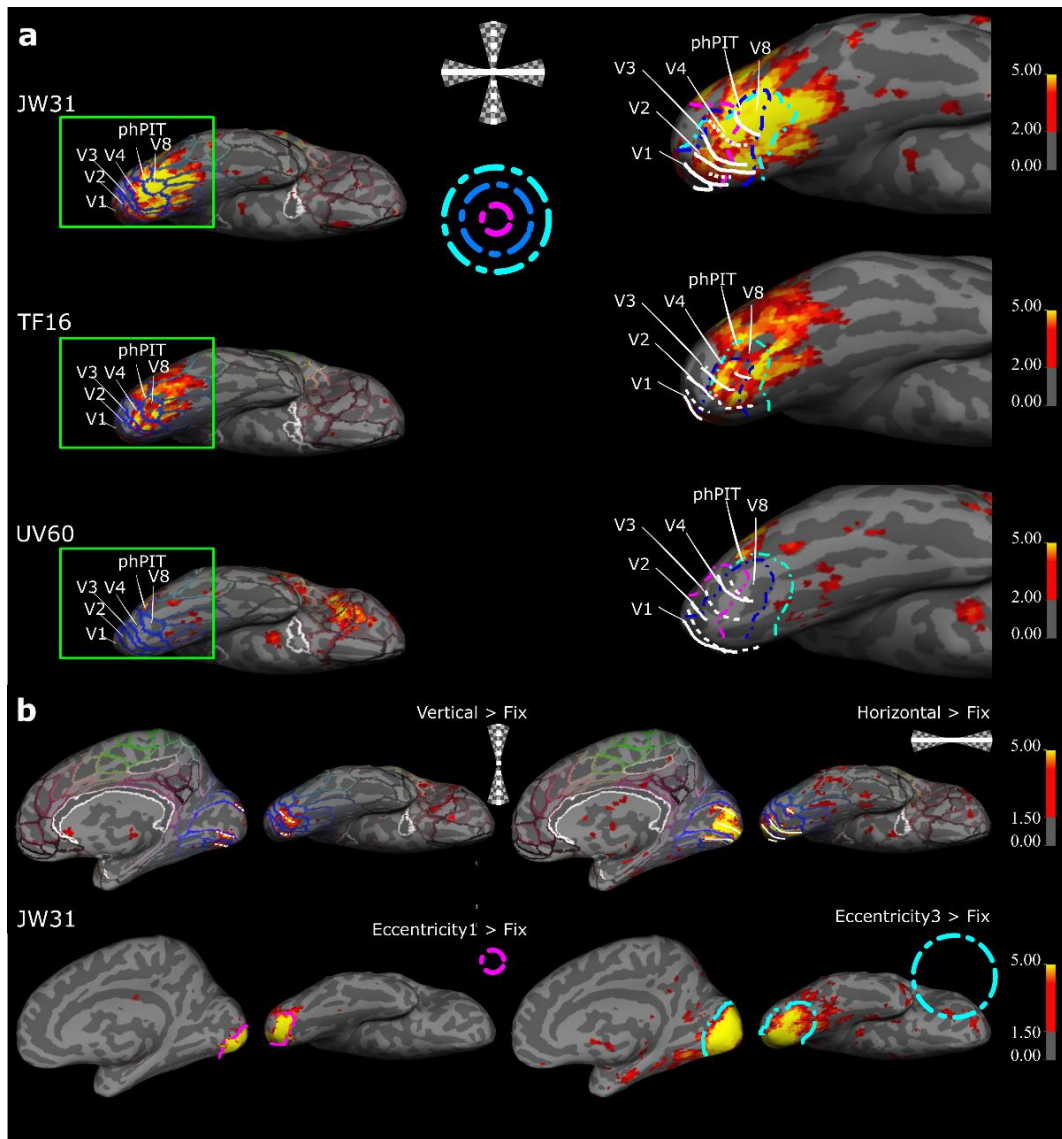
75 Task-related activations (yellow/red) are shown on both lateral and inferior views and superimposed on the Glasser

76 atlas parcellation¹⁹. Early visual areas like V3, V4, and motion areas MT, MST and FST were modulated by attention,

77 but also strongly activated by moving stimuli, the task relevant dimension, while being unresponsive to other higher

78 order visual stimuli. Higher order visual areas like FFC, PPA, LOC and PH¹⁹ were activated by faces, places, and

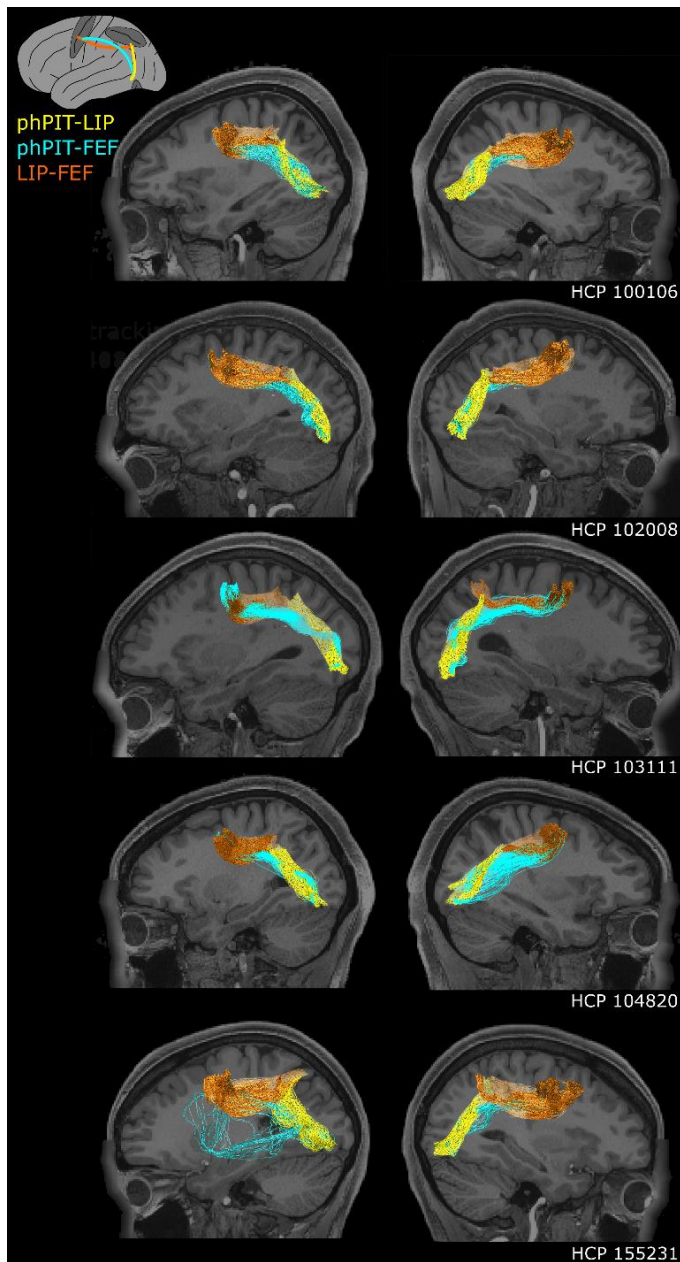
79 objects respectively, but not by attention. Critically, phPIT and area V8, were activated by attention but were not
80 selective for other visual stimuli suggesting a general role in attention. The color-bar shows T-values task-related
81 activations. FFC: fusiform face area; FST: fundus superior temporal area; LO1-2: lateral occipital areas 1-2; MT:
82 middle temporal area; MST: middle superior temporal area; PH: basal temporo-occipital area; phPIT: putative human
83 posterior infero-temporal area; TPOJ-1-2-3: temporo parietal occipital junction 1-2-3; V8: visual area 8.



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86 **Supplementary Figure 4 – related to Figure 3. Individual subject retinotopic and eccentricity characterization**
 87 **of attentional activation in phPIT.** **A.** Statistical parametric maps of attention superimposed with meridians and
 88 eccentricity boundaries are overlaid on the inflated brain of three single subjects. Task-related activations (yellow/red)
 89 are shown on the inferior views and superimposed on the Glasser atlas parcellation¹⁹ (first column) and with
 90 retinotopic and eccentricity mapping (second column – enlarged view). Full and dotted white lines indicate horizontal
 91 and vertical meridians respectively; colored dashed lines show positions of central, intermediate and peripheral
 92 eccentricity ridges. The combination of retinotopic and eccentricity mapping better clarified the separation between

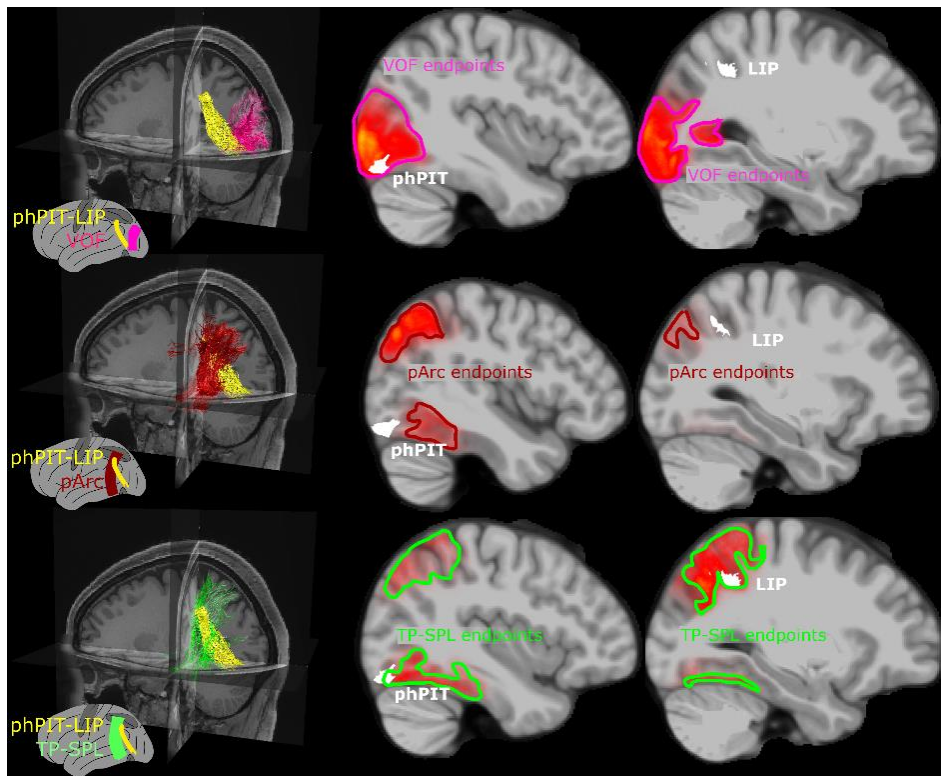
93 the infero-temporal activation and that of early visual areas, and of other specialized areas located more anteriorly in
94 the temporal lobe. In individual subjects we were able to identify the attentional activation in the infero-temporal
95 cortex as the most anterior and ventral region possessing a retinotopic organization, but not strong motion selectivity,
96 nor complex object selectivity. In Glasser nomenclature phPIT corresponded to phPIT and V8 areas. **B.** Statistical
97 parametric maps of retinotopic (top, vertical and horizontal wedge) and eccentricity (bottom, inner and outer ring) for
98 a representative subject. The color-bar shows T-values task-related activations. phPIT: putative human posterior
99 infero-temporal area; V1-2-3-84-: visual areas 1-2-3-4-8.



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102 **Supplementary Figure 5 – related to Figure 5. Core of the tract.** Sagittal-view of phPIT-to-LIP (yellow), phPIT-
103 to-FEF (cyan), and LIP-to-FEF (orange) connections overlaid on T1 image for five example subjects from the HCP.
104 The core of the tract was consistent across subjects. For about 20% of the subjects the phPIT-to-FEF showed some
105 branching (lowest row). FEF: frontal eye field; LIP: lateral intra parietal; phPIT: putative human posterior infero-
106 temporal area. Source data are available at <https://doi.org/10.25663/BRAINLIFE.PUB.17>.

107 **Supplementary Figure 6**

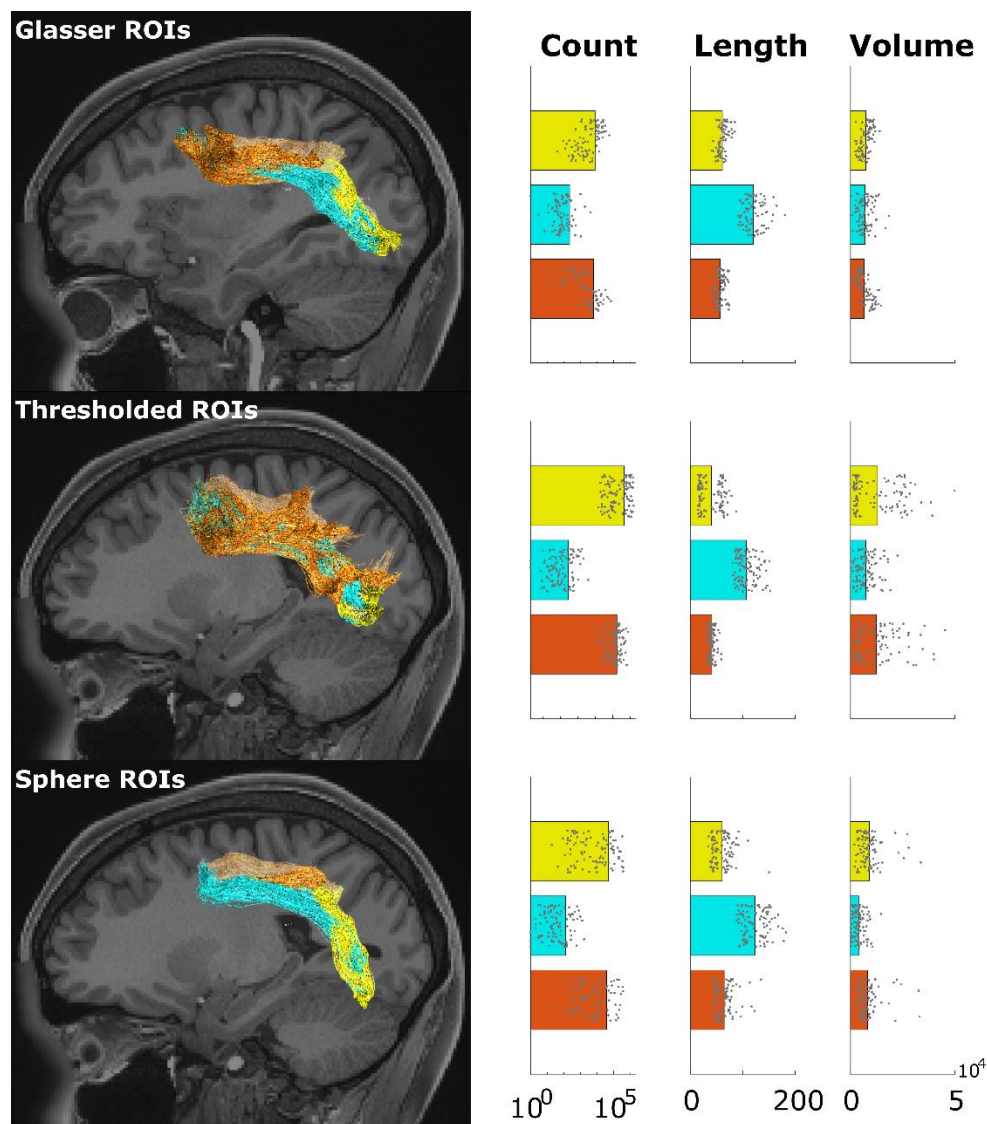


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109 **Supplementary Figure 6 – related to Figure 7. An unreported sup-portion of the pArct supports the endogenous**
110 **attention network.** Different views of phPIT-to-LIP connections (yellow) and nearby anatomical tracts VOF (pink),
111 pArc (dark red) and TP-SPL (green) overlaid on T1 image for a single example subject from the HCP (101006).
112 phPIT-to-LIP pathway departs from that of traditionally segmented tracts. Right panels show density mapping of the
113 superior and inferior cortical endpoints for the anatomical tracts. Density projections are summed across 1000 HCP
114 subjects; darker coloring of the heat map corresponds to higher densities. White areas correspond to the ROIs used to
115 generate the attention tracts. LIP, Lateral Intraparietal area; phPIT, putative human Posterior Infero-Temporal area;
116 pArc, posterior Arcuate Fasciculus; TP-SPL; Temporo-Parietal connection to the Superior Temporal Lobule; VOF,
117 Vertical Occipital Fasciculus. Source data are available at <https://doi.org/10.25663/BRAINLIFE.PUB.17>.

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119 **Supplementary Figure 7 – related to Figure 5. Tracking results with control ROIs.**



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 121 **Supplementary Figure 7 – related to Figure 5. Tracking results with control regions of interest (ROIs).** Left
 122 column shows sagittal-views of phPIT-to-LIP (yellow), phPIT-to-FEF (cyan), and LIP-to-FEF (orange) connections
 123 overlaid on T1 image for an example subjects from the HCP. The core and pathway of the tracts were consistent even
 124 when tracking was performed with Glasser ROIs, thresholded ROIs and sphere ROIs (see Methods). Right column
 125 shows average streamline number, tract length (mm), tract volume (mm³) are shown for each functional tract for the
 126 three different tracking Methods. Data are expressed as mean across 50 subjects and collapsed across hemispheres;
 127 gray points represent the values for each individual subject and hemisphere. FEF: frontal eye field; LIP: lateral intra
 128 parietal; phPIT: putative human posterior infero-temporal area. Source data are provided as a Source Data file.

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