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# Neural Interfaces

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

Co-founder Cyberkinetics Neurotechnology Systems, Inc.  
JD is a consultant, stockholder and director of CKI,  
makers of BrainGate technology to be discussed.

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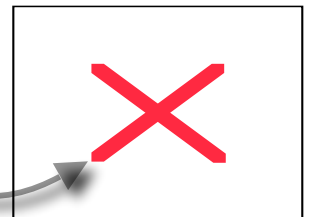
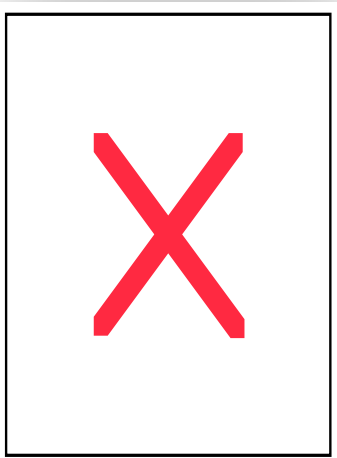
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# Age of Neurotechnology

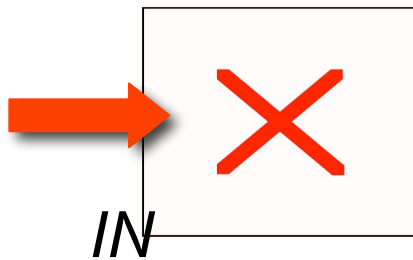
- *Neural Interfaces*: Devices coupled to the nervous systems to *diagnose* and *treat* nervous system disorders and to **restore lost function**: paralysis, blindness, deafness...  
.....epilepsy, depression.....



# Neurotechnology

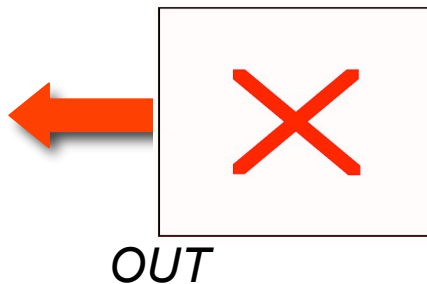
## Current and Developing Neural Interfaces

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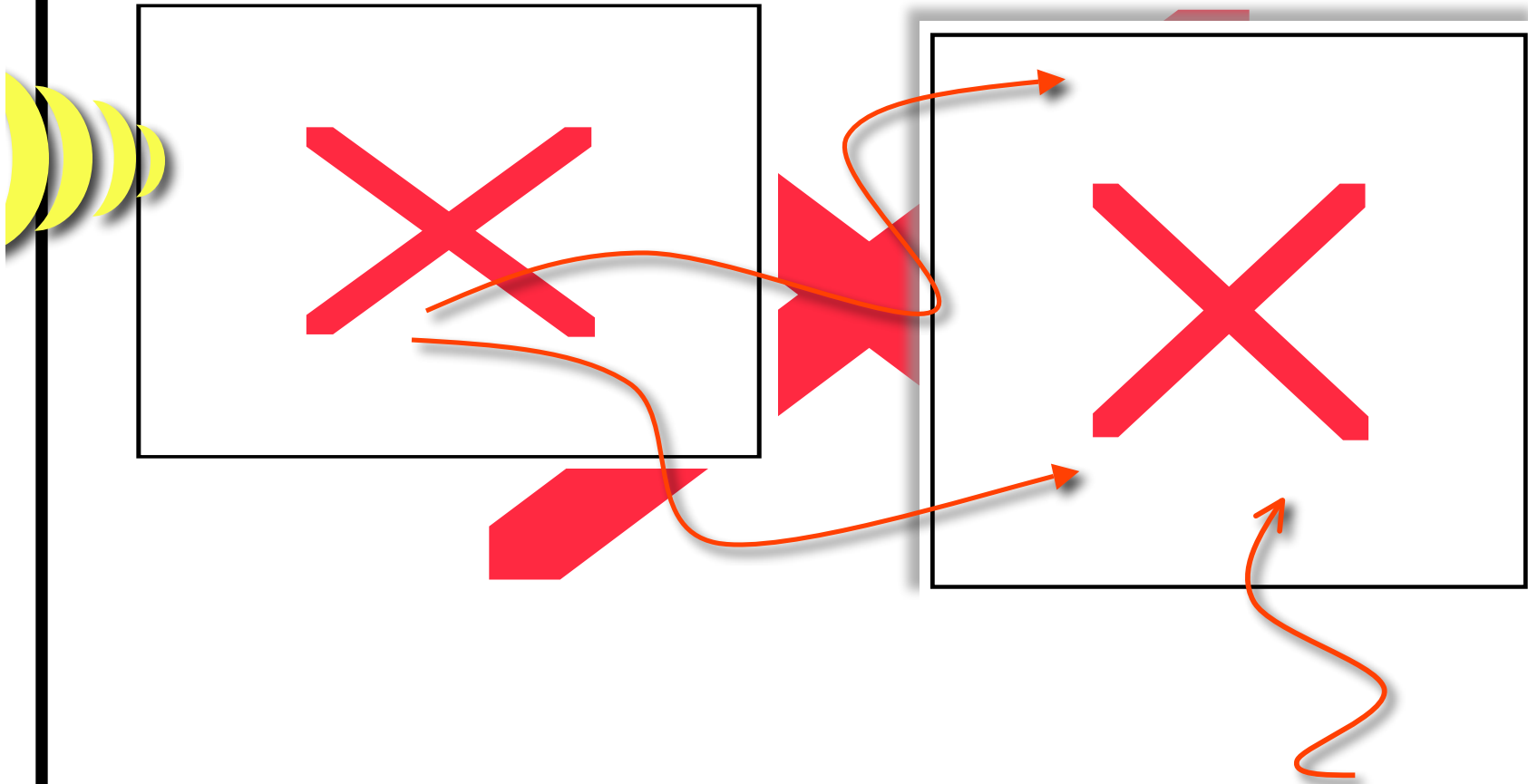
### *Electrical stimulation*

- Restore lost sensory function
- Therapy

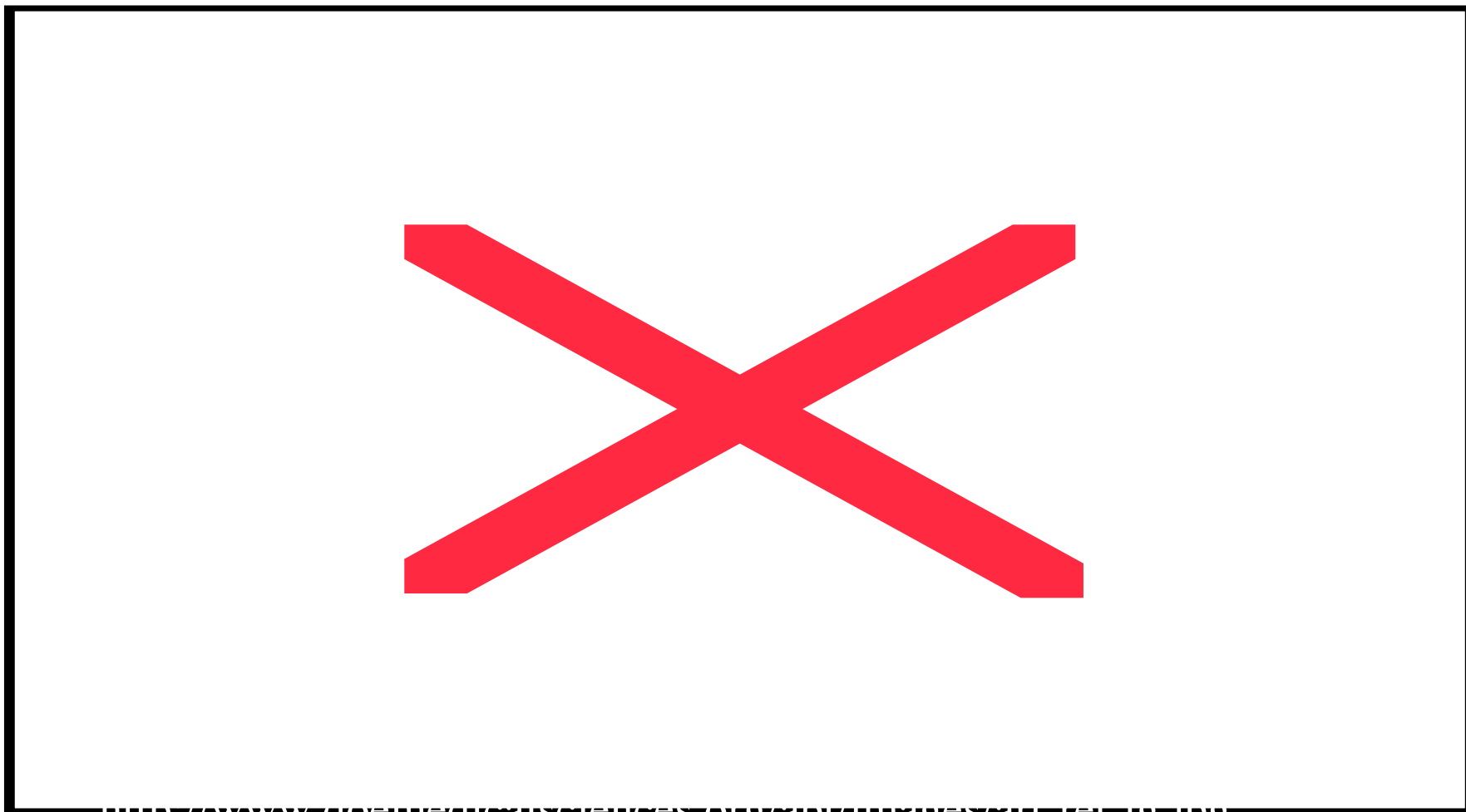


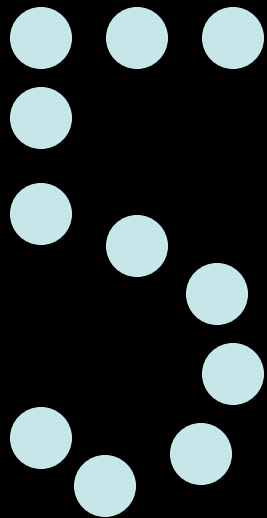
### *Sensing*

- Restore movement
- Evaluation (diagnosis)

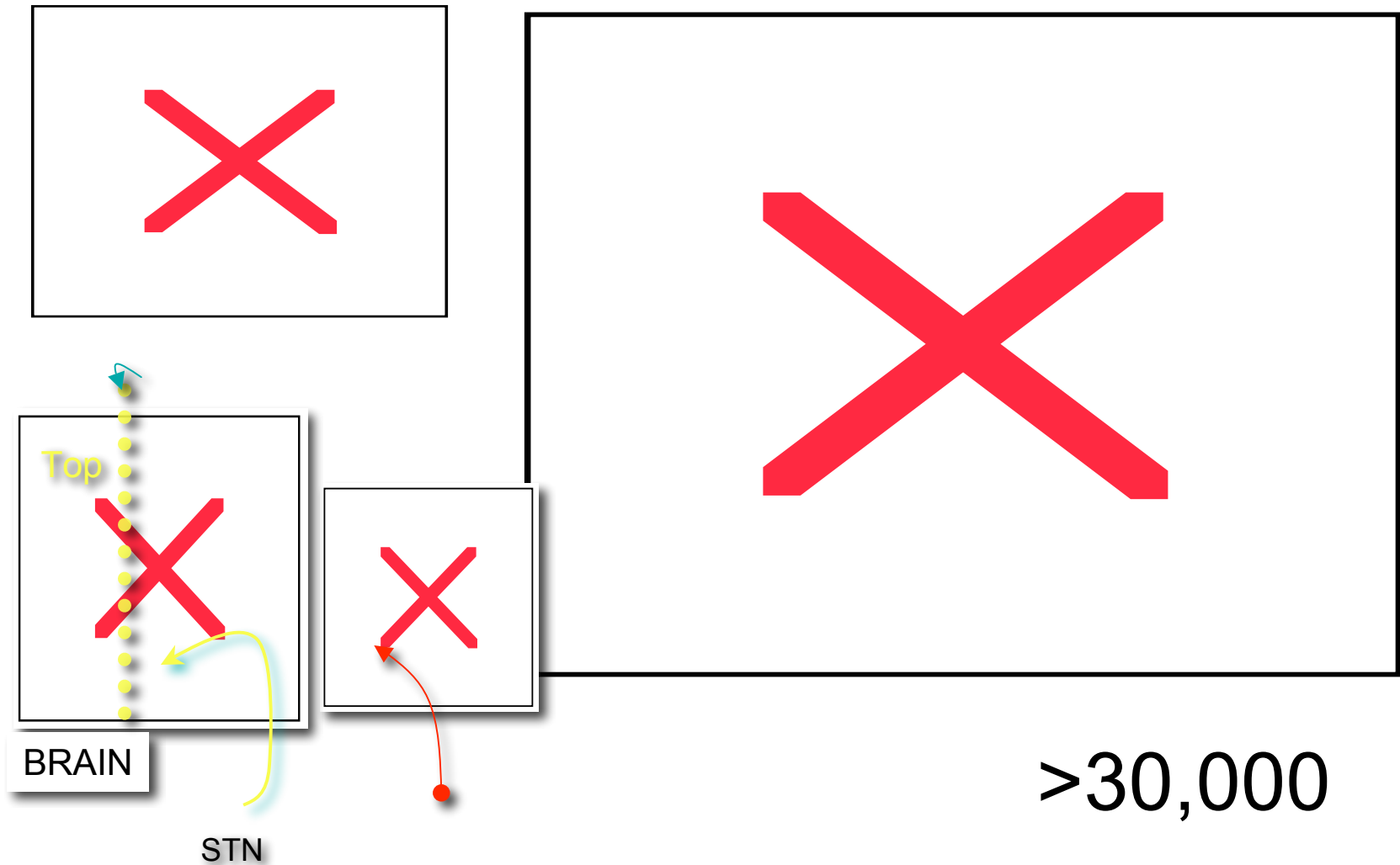


# Retinal Vision Implant (N~6)





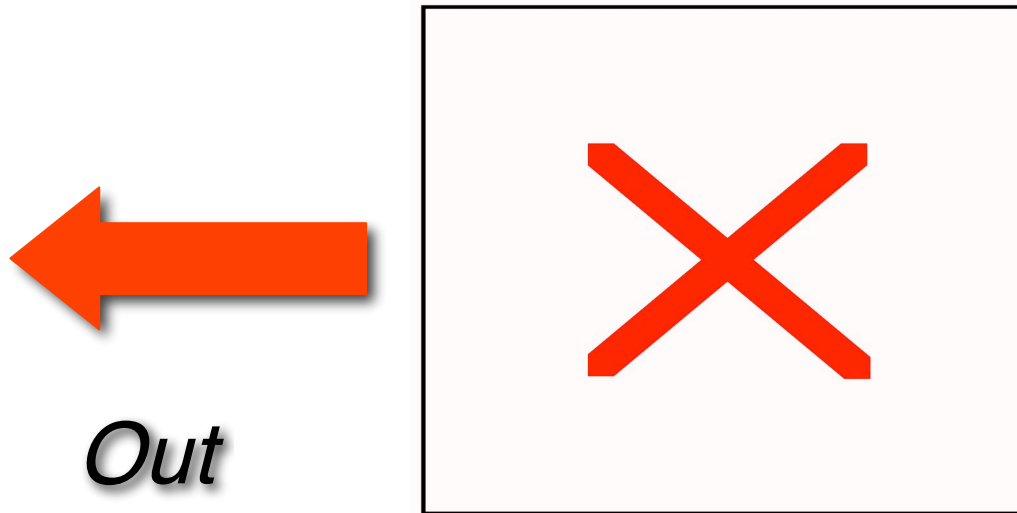
# Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) for Movement Disorders





# Neurotechnology

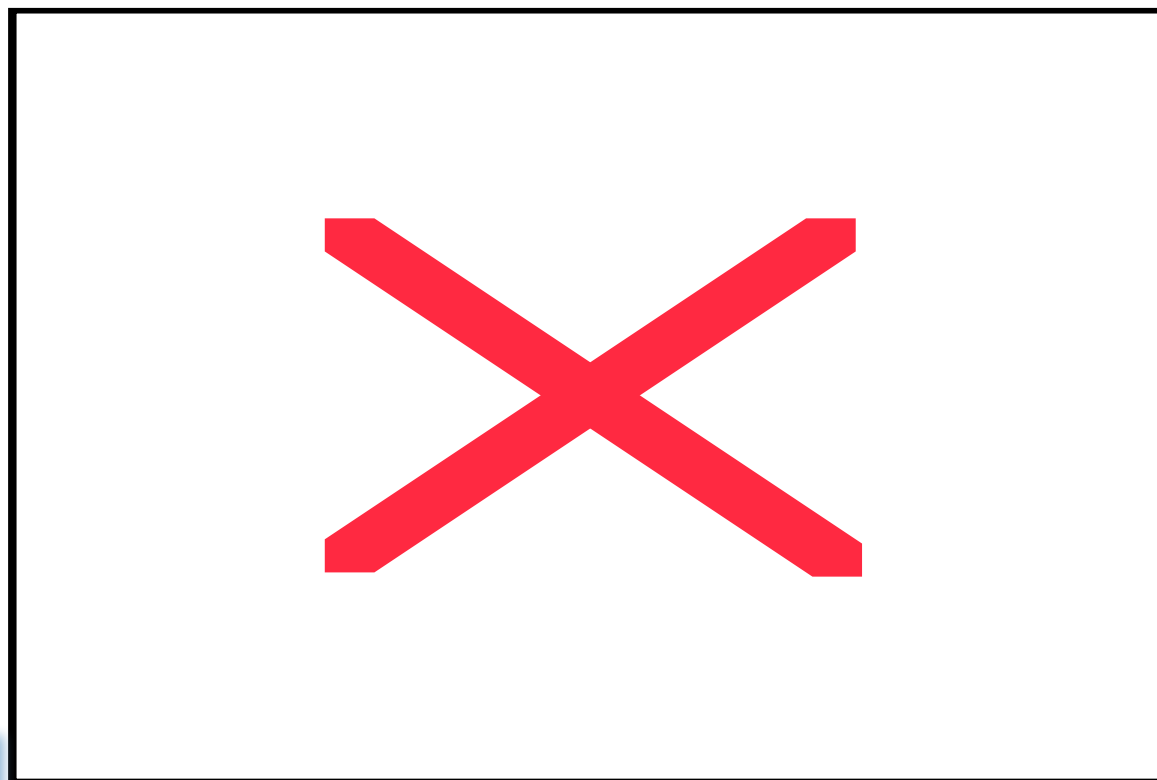
## Neural Interfaces to 'read out' brain electrical signals



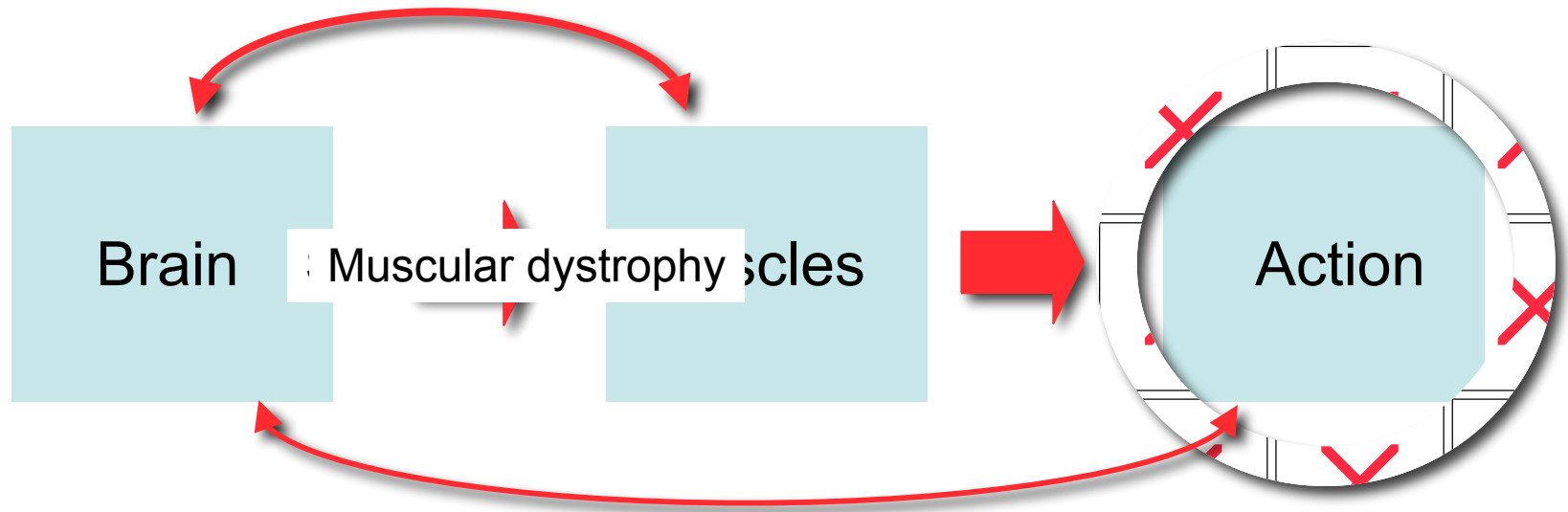
Neural Sensing (what's going on in there?)

# Neural Interface System: *Sensing*

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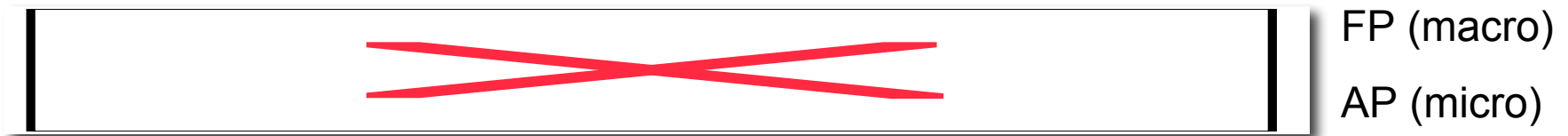
# Neural Interface System



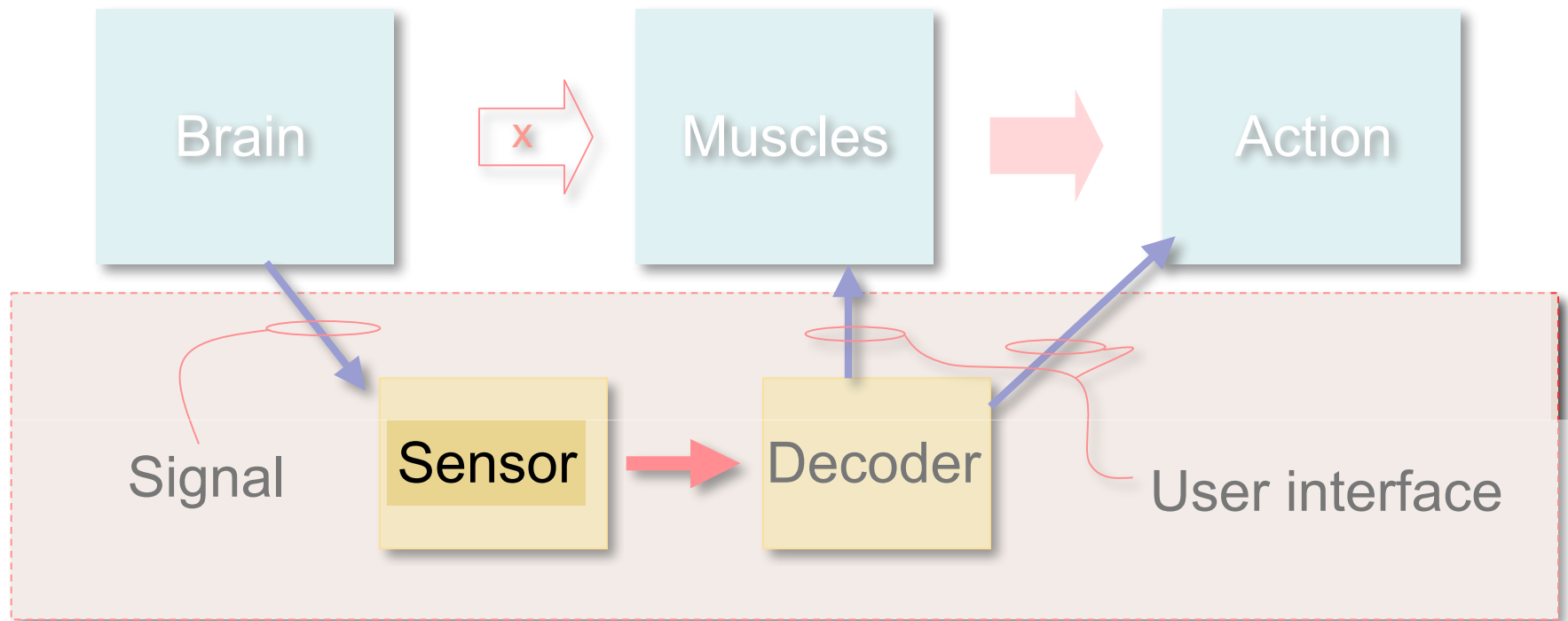
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Brain Computer Interface (BCI)  
Brain Machine Interface (BMI)  
Neuromotor Prosthesis (NMP)

- Computer
- Assistive technology
- Robot
- Artificial Limb
- Muscles

# Neural Interface System

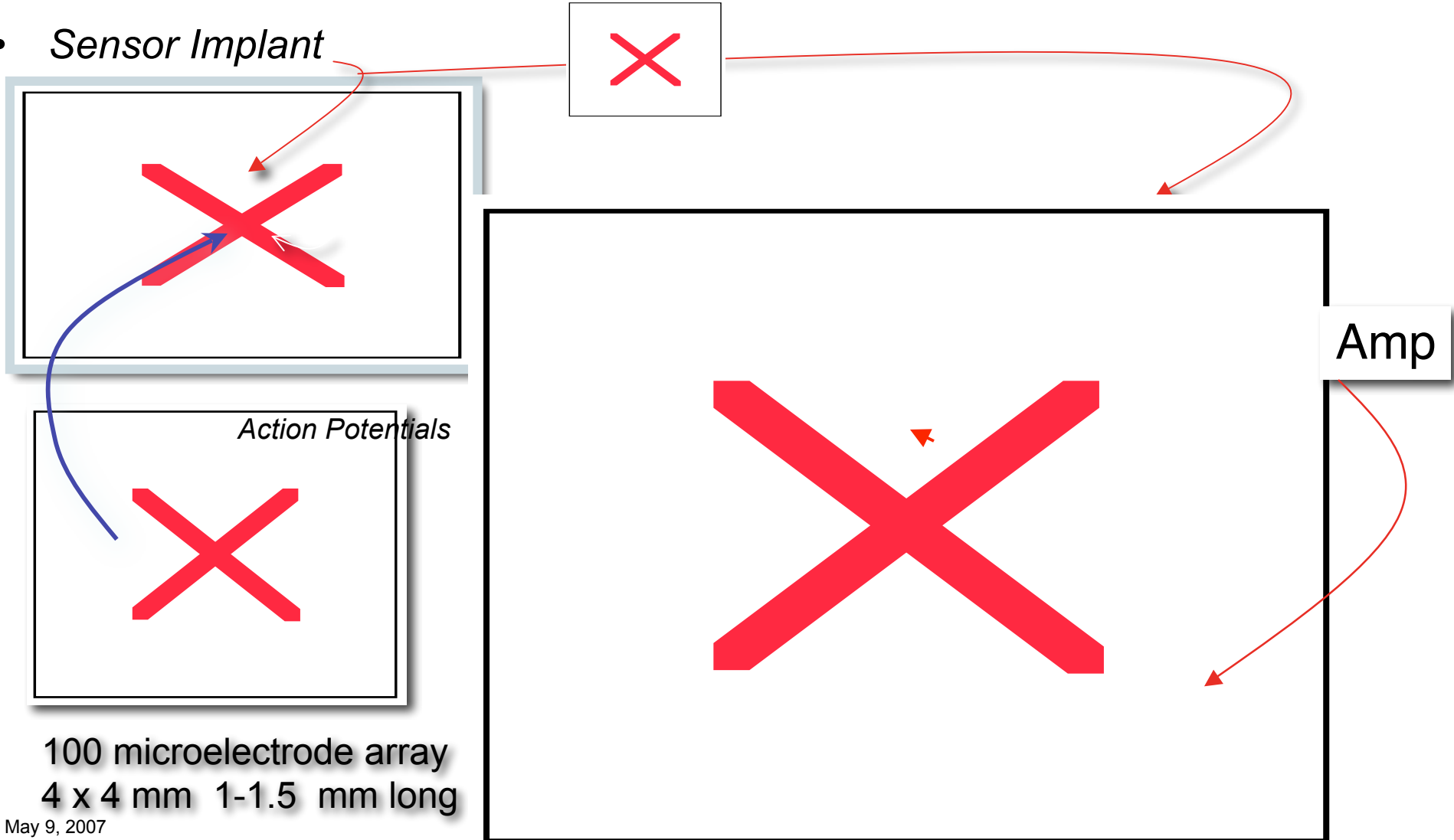


Field Potentials (FP, state)  
Action Potentials (AP, 'spikes' code) } Neural electrical potentials



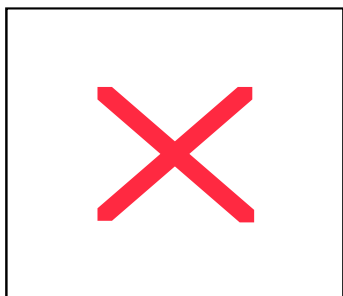
*IDE pilot trial: 4 tetraplegic humans (2 SCI, 1 Brainstem Stroke, 1 ALS)*

- *Sensor Implant*

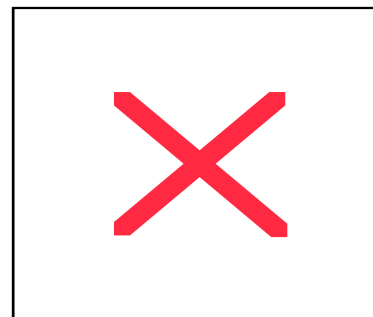


# BrainGate Neural Interface System

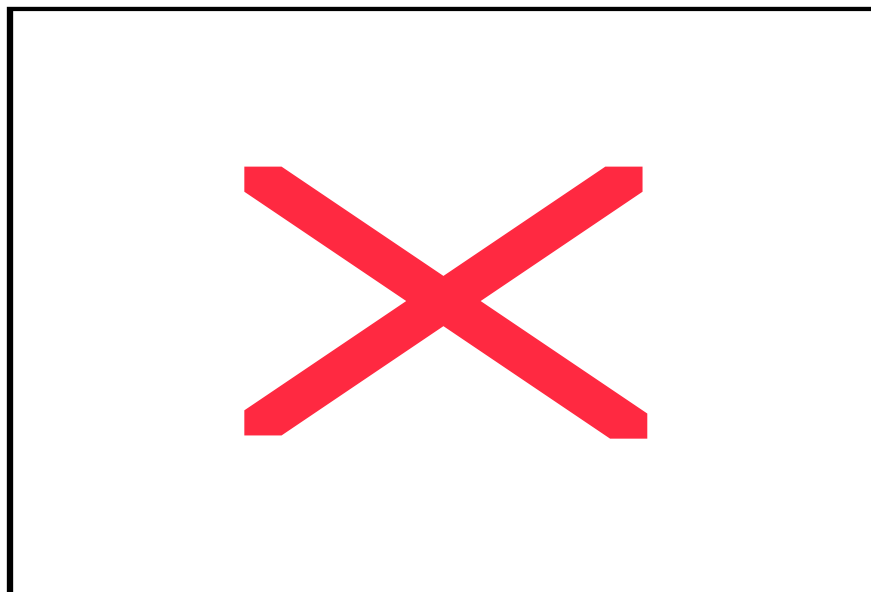
- Signals remain in Motor Cortex years after Injury
  - Modulated by intention to move the arm (no learning)
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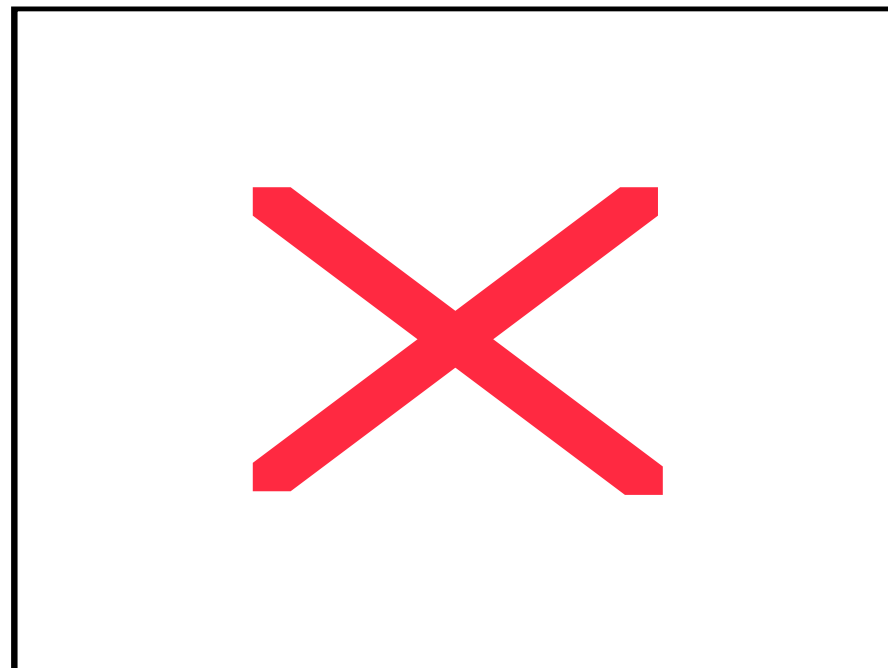
SPIKE



RATE METER



Early Test of Control  
S1 Spinal Cord  
1 year post injury



Control Now:  
Point and click decoding  
Black, Kim, Simeral et al., Brown U.  
S3 > 9 years post stroke

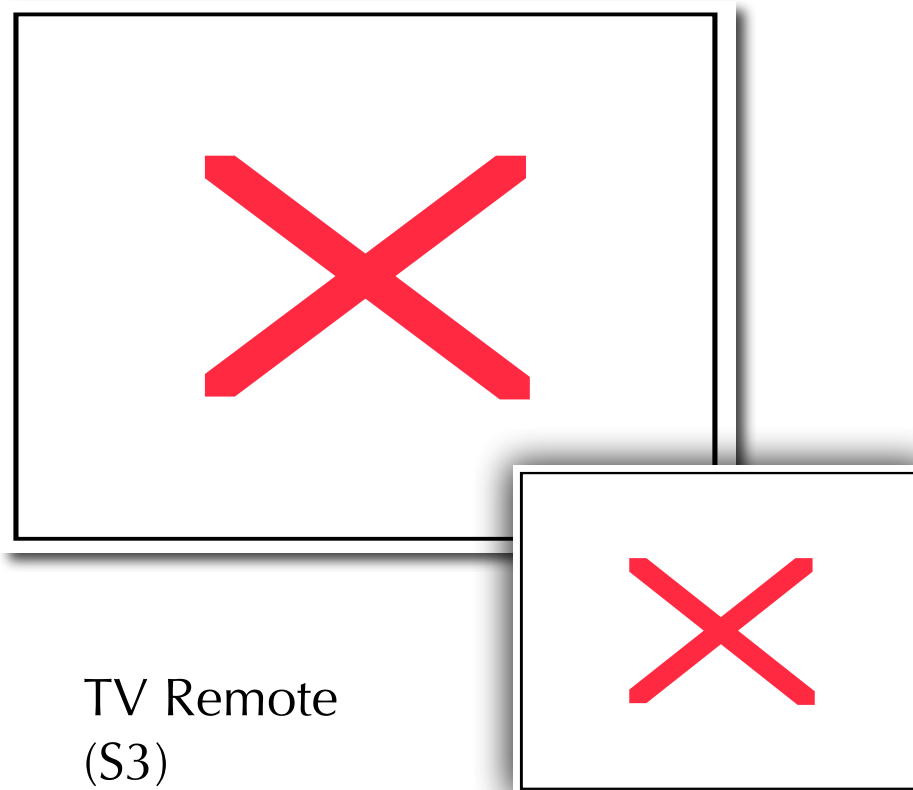
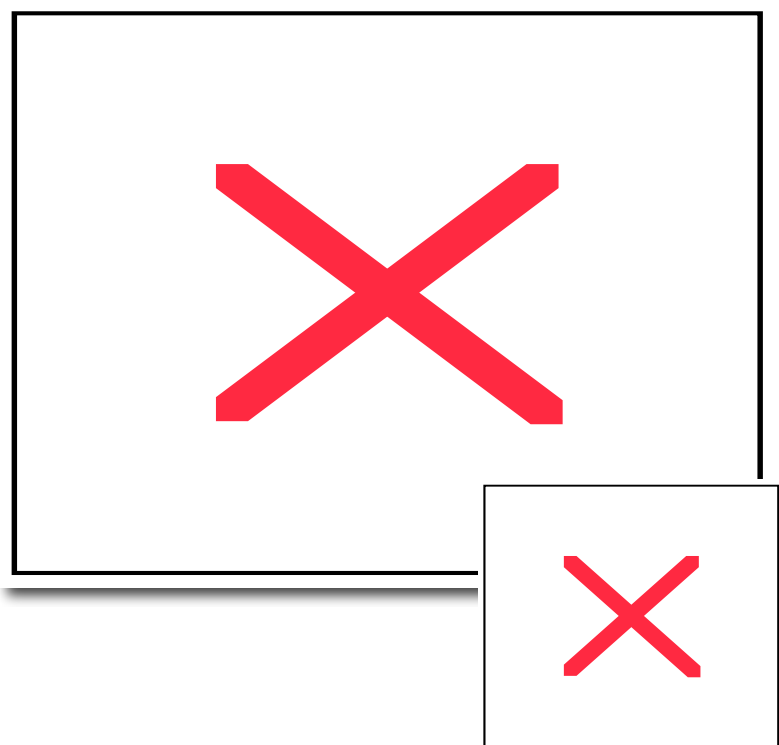
See: Hochberg et al., (2006)  
*Nature*, 442, 164-171 (13 July 2006)

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Nature Neural Interface WEBSITE:  
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# User Interface: Demonstrations

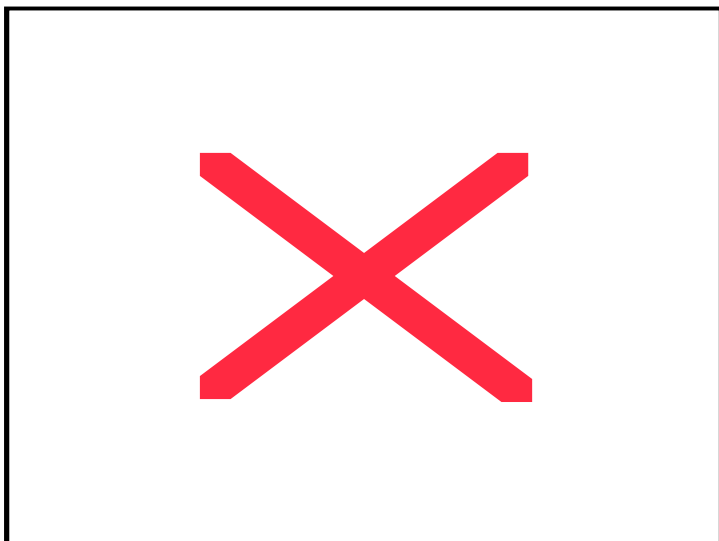
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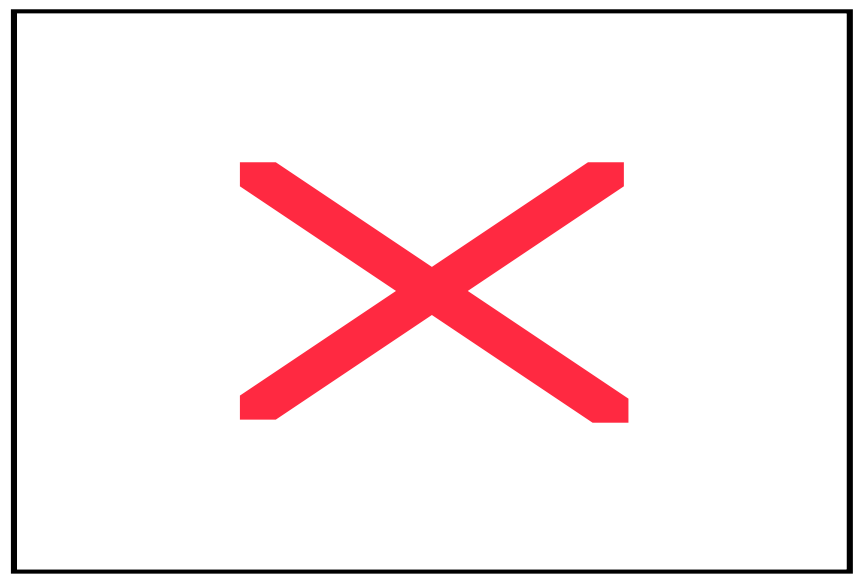
Point and Click Typing



# User Interface: Physical Devices



Robotic Hand  
(S1 >1 year after SCI injury)



Pick and Place  
Robot Arm

S1

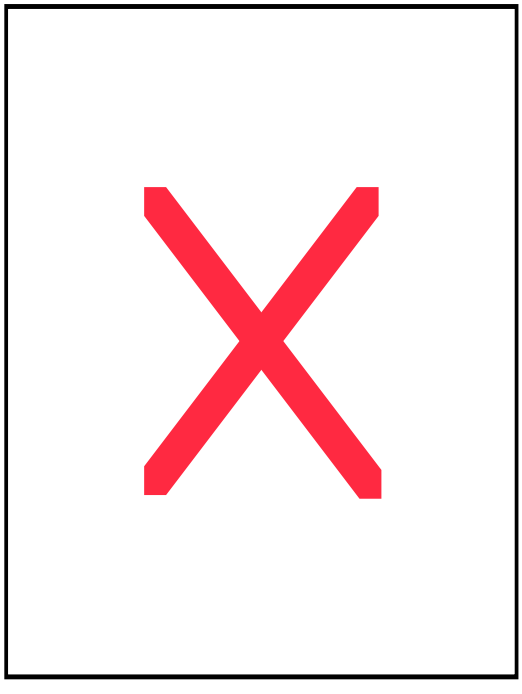


Motorized Prosthetic hand courtesy of Liberating Technologies, Inc.  
Computer Interface courtesy of RollTalk, Inc.

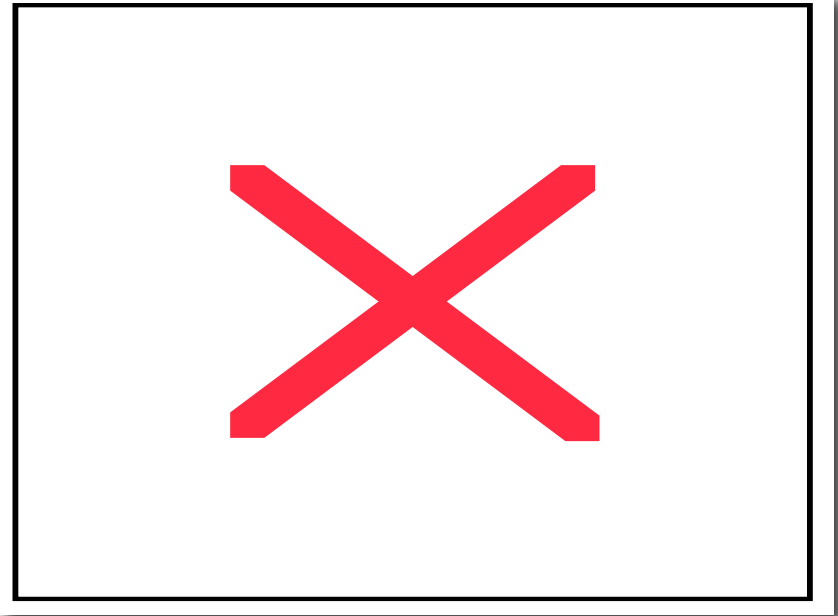
# Neural Interface System: Advances Towards a Fully Implantable Device

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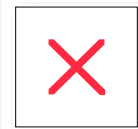
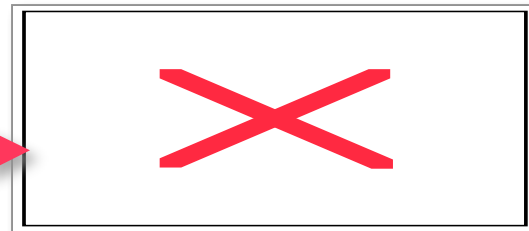
*Next Steps*



Wireless/ Fully implanted/ Automated

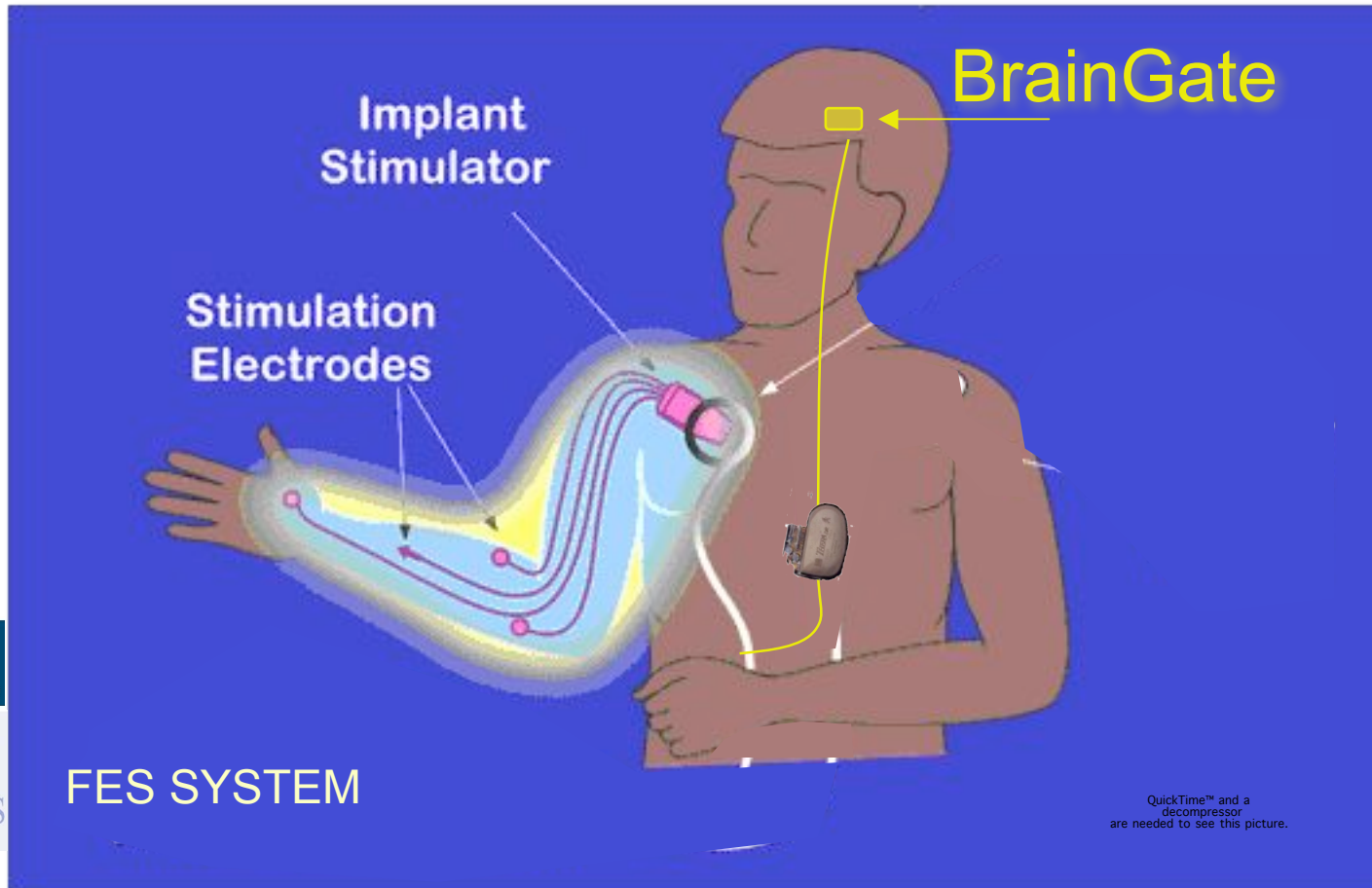
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Implantable neural sensor  
Prototype (Nurmikko/Brown University)



# Next Steps: Moving Paralyzed Limbs

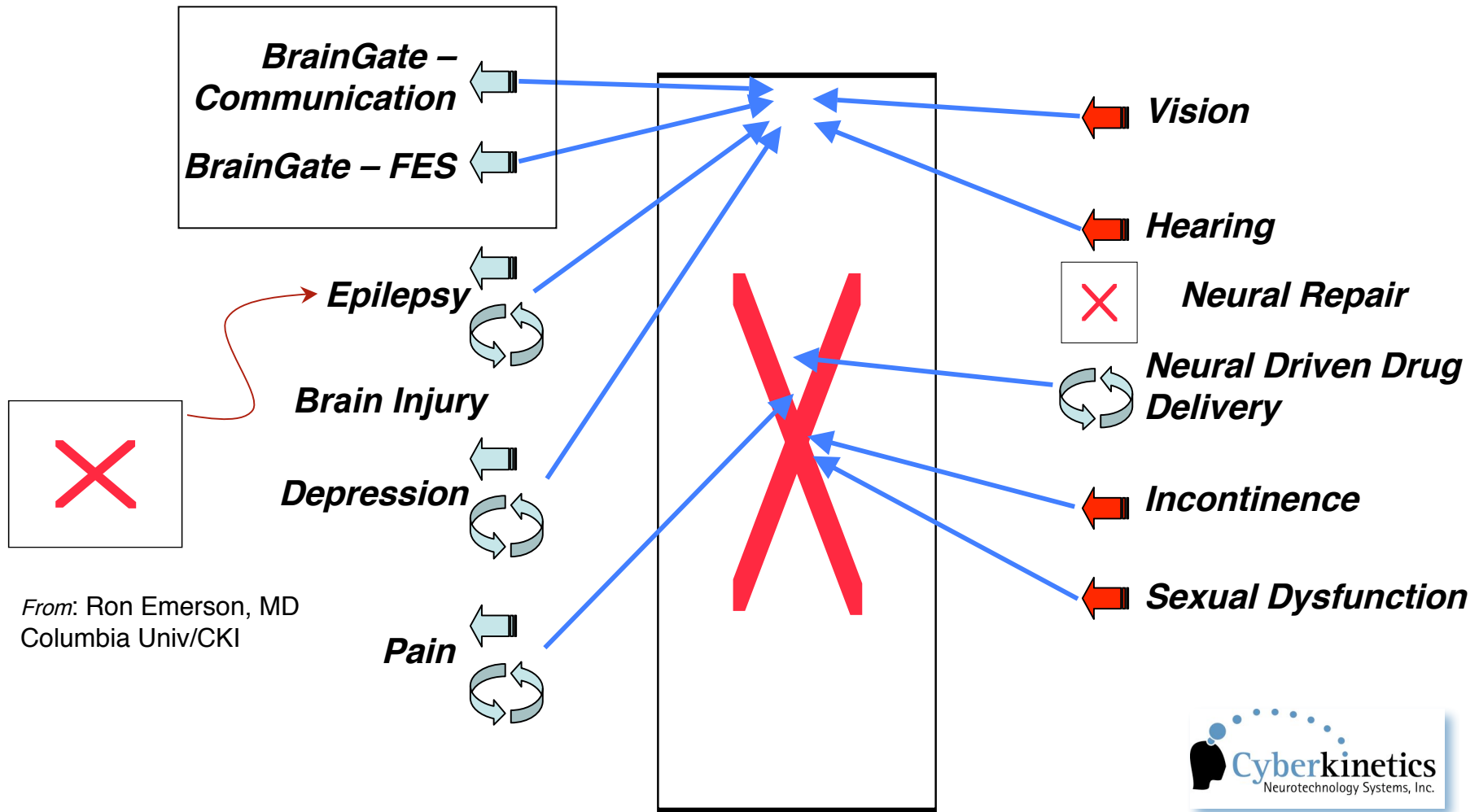
## Coupling Functional Electrical Stimulation (FES) and BrainGate



# 'Smart' Neural Interface Platform: Applications

*Sensing*

*Stimulating*

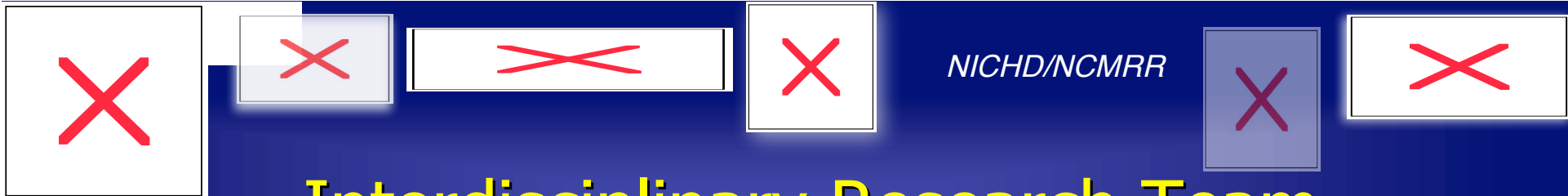


From: Ron Emerson, MD  
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*Plus: Unprecedented access to normal/abnormal human brain function at the neuron level*

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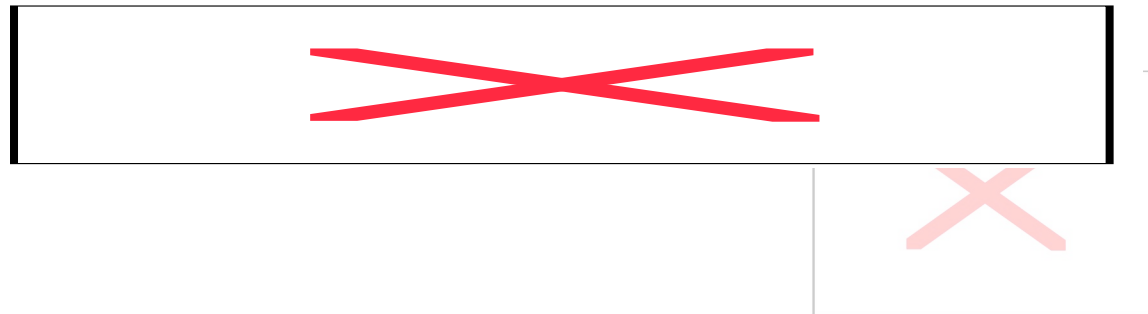
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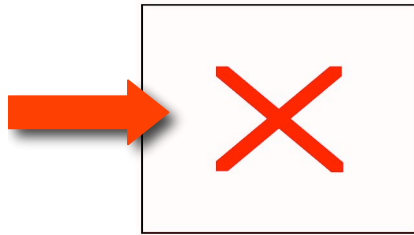
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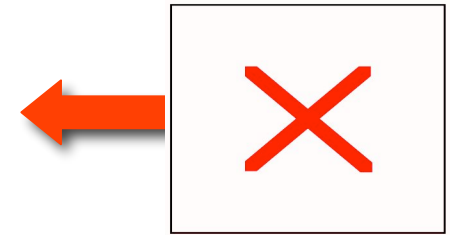
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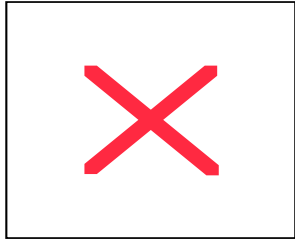


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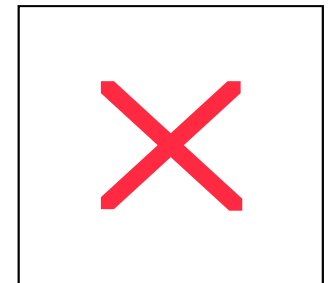
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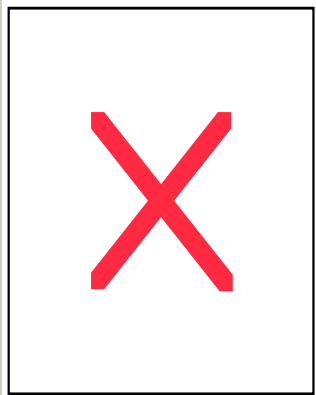
OUT (Sensing)



- Cochlear Implants >50,000
- Deep Brain Stimulators > 30,000
- Retinal Vision Prosthesis ~6



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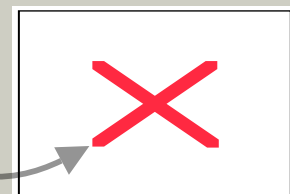


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# Donoghue Abstract Hot Topics AAN

Developments in Neural Interfaces to Restore Lost Functions in Tetraplegia.

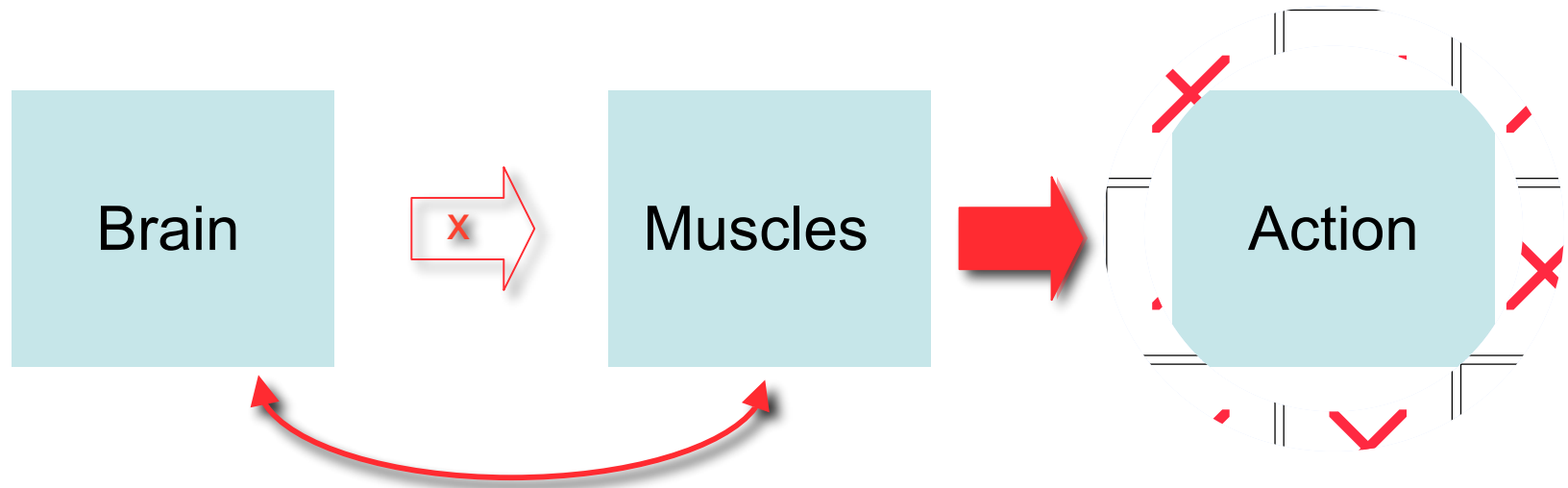
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Neurotechnology is an emerging field that is beginning to provide a range of new devices to treat nervous system disorders. Tens of thousands of humans have already received neural interface technologies that stimulate the nervous system to treat symptoms of disorders such as epilepsy and Parkinson's disease. Neural interface systems that *sense* neural signals are in early stages of development, but promise to provide a means to restore independence, communication, and potentially movement. Spinal cord injury, stroke and other paralyzing conditions, as well as motor neuron disorders such as ALS, prevent movement intentions from being realized. In these disorders, a neural interface system can provide a physical means to restore a new communication link from the brain to the body or to assistive technologies. Early-stage clinical trials of a pilot human neural interface system, called BrainGate (Cyberkinetics Neurotechnology Systems, Inc.), indicate that individuals with paralysis can use neural activity from the arm area of motor cortex as a control signal to operate a range of assistive technologies. The system is based upon a 4 x 4 mm intracortically implanted array of 100 microelectrodes that detects neural activity patterns. Signal processors located outside the body derive movement intent from the neural patterns to generate a command signal. This command signal can then be used to operate a range of assistive technologies, including a computer, robotic hand or a powered wheelchair. Studies to date have included four individuals with tetraplegia. Despite their inability to move, we found that neural activity in the motor cortex modulated with imagined actions in all participants, even though they had different, long-standing forms of CNS impairment. Participants were able to control cursors in point-to-point movements and operate a robotic arm and hand, but not as well as an able bodied person. Recent advances in decoding have demonstrated the ability to provide point and click control signals that may be effective command signals for a variety of prosthesis applications. By combining the neural sensor with muscle functional electrical stimulation it may be possible to reanimate muscles, returning them to voluntary control via physical connections. These early-stage developments suggest that neural interface systems have the potential to significantly modify the lives of individuals with paralysis from neurodegenerative diseases or CNS damage. The multi-electrode sensor itself also appears to provide a sensitive means to monitor neural function that could be useful in a range of other neurological conditions such as epilepsy or brain trauma.

Conflict of Interest: John Donoghue is a shareholder, director and Chief Scientific Officer of Cyberkinetics.

# Neural Interface Systems: Advances- Muscle Control

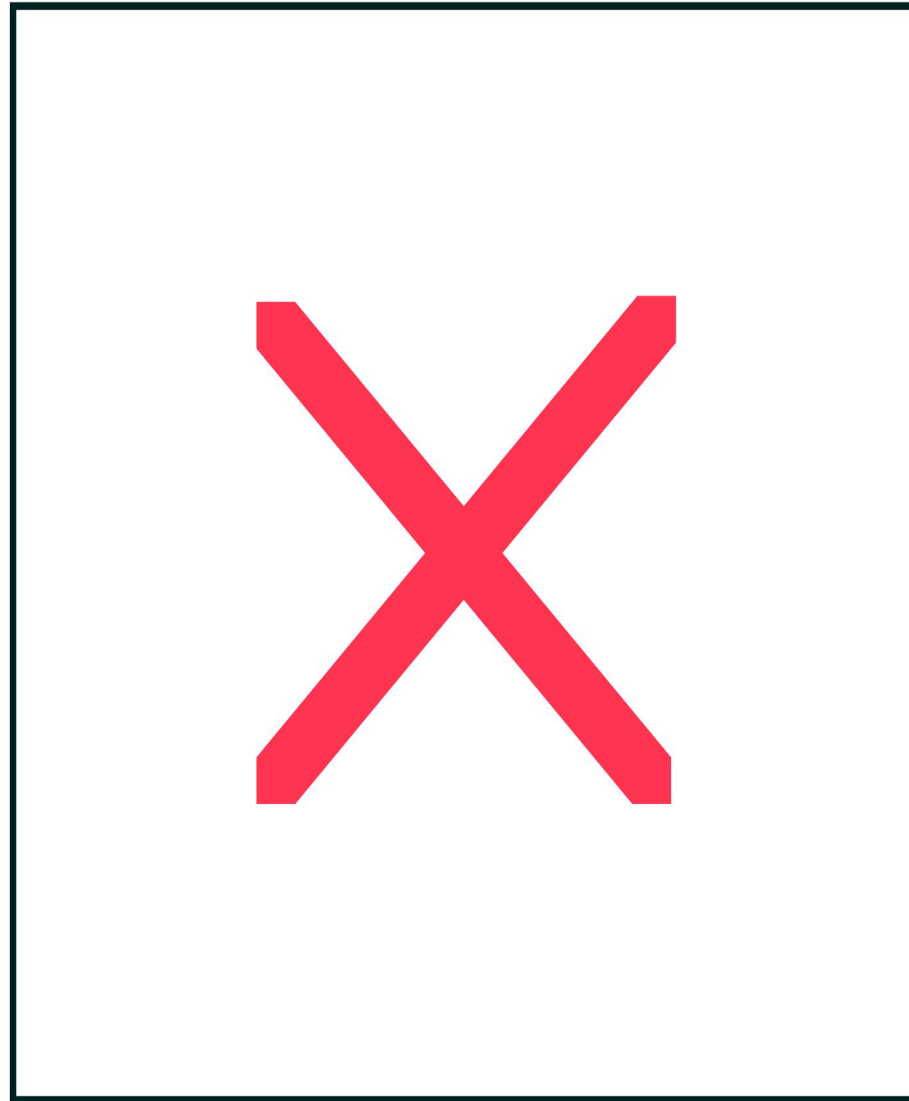


Neuromotor prosthesis (NMP)

# Where we are: Neurotechnology for Paralysis

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- *Neural Interface Systems* (external and intracranial) hold great promise to help those with paralysis;
- Very active research area (signals (AP,FP); decoding, technology)
- Human Pilot trials. Initial proof of concept that intracortical interfaces function years after injury in
  - Spinal Cord Injury (2)
  - Brainstem Stroke (1)
  - ALS (1)
- Control includes computer interfaces, physical devices
- Potential to reanimate limb muscle
- Challenges include: engineering fully implantable, automated systems; [efforts underway](#).
- New window on brain function and disease via implanted chronic sensor



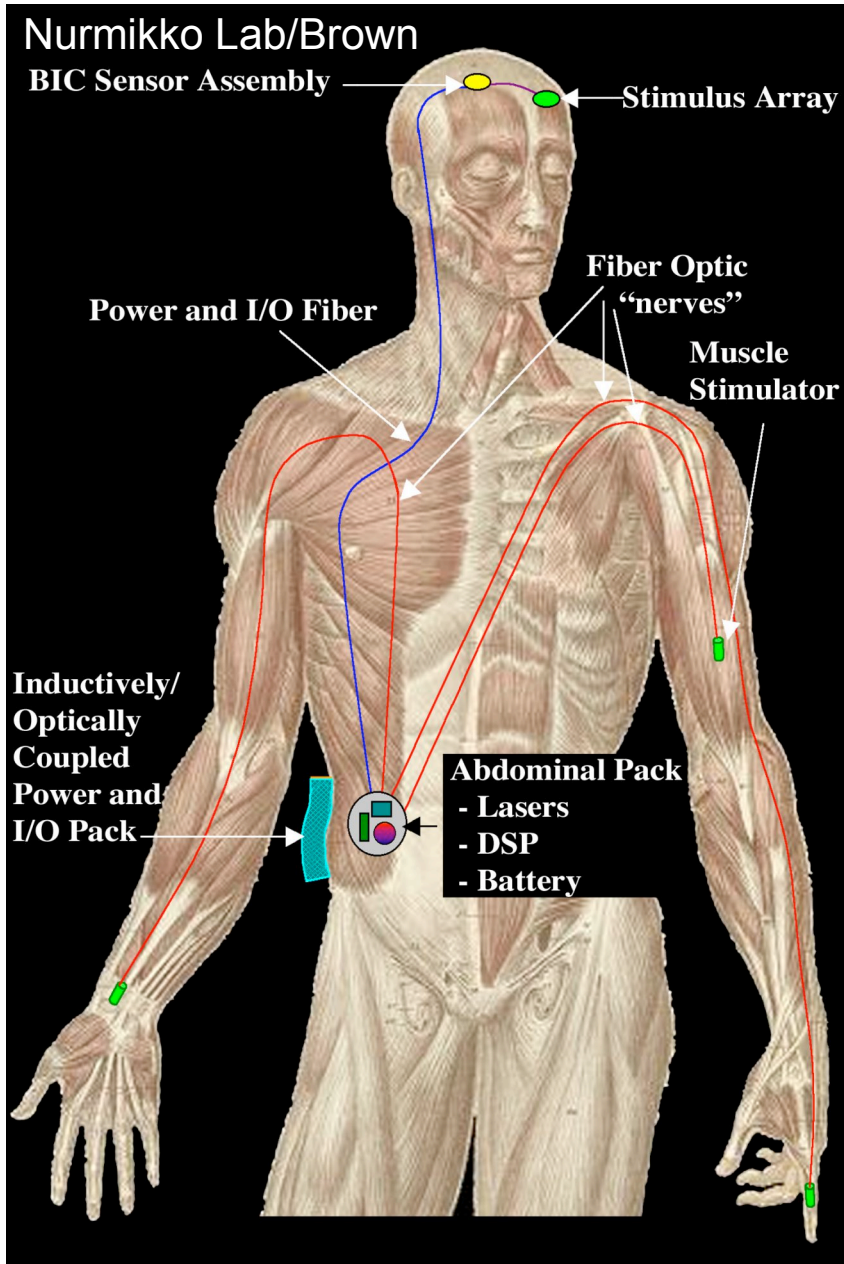
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Cortical Control of Assistive Devices by Persons with Tetraplegia

# Neuroprosthetic System: Vision



*Restore*

*Rehabilitate*

*Replace*



# Platform Presentation:

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# The Need for Neural Interface Systems

spinal cord injury

cerebral palsy

cerebellar disorders

locked-in syndrome

stroke

spinal muscular  
atrophies

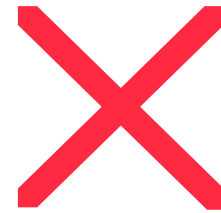
ALS

muscular dystrophy

limb loss

multiple sclerosis

- *Many neurological disorders disrupt the ability to **move** or **communicate**, but leave cognition intact*
- *100,000s affect worldwide*
- *Current assistive technology is limited*



Think  Act