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Editorial

Ear Acupuncture according to the NADA (National Acupuncture Detoxification Association)

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Abstract: This editorial is a brief report on the National Acupuncture Detoxification Association (NADA) ear acupuncture and is intended to briefly summarize the main scientific work. The complementary addiction-detoxification auricular acupuncture method has not been sufficiently experimentally explored in many areas. There have been clinical studies, some of which contradict the success. A total of 27 referenced publications were found that refer to the method that has existed for many decades and should be briefly listed here.

Keywords: ear acupuncture; National Acupuncture Detoxification Association (NADA)

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Review

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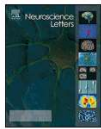
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Research paper

Establishing an animal model for National Acupuncture Detoxification Association (NADA) auricular acupuncture protocol

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HIGHLIGHTS




- NADA acupuncture reduces morphine-induced locomotor sensitization.
- NADA acupuncture prevents development of tolerance following chronic morphine treatment.
- NADA auricular acupuncture can improve adverse effect profile of morphine in a rat model.

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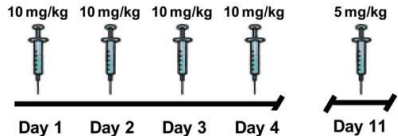
ABSTRACT

The use of opioids in the treatment of chronic pain has increased dramatically in the past few decades making them one of the most commonly prescribed medications in the US. However, long-term use of opioids is limited by development of tolerance (decreased antinociceptive efficacy) and opioid-induced hyperalgesia – paradoxical sensitization to noxious (hyperalgesia) and non-noxious (allodynia) stimuli. Novel adjunctive therapies are needed to increase the efficacy and prolong the duration of action of






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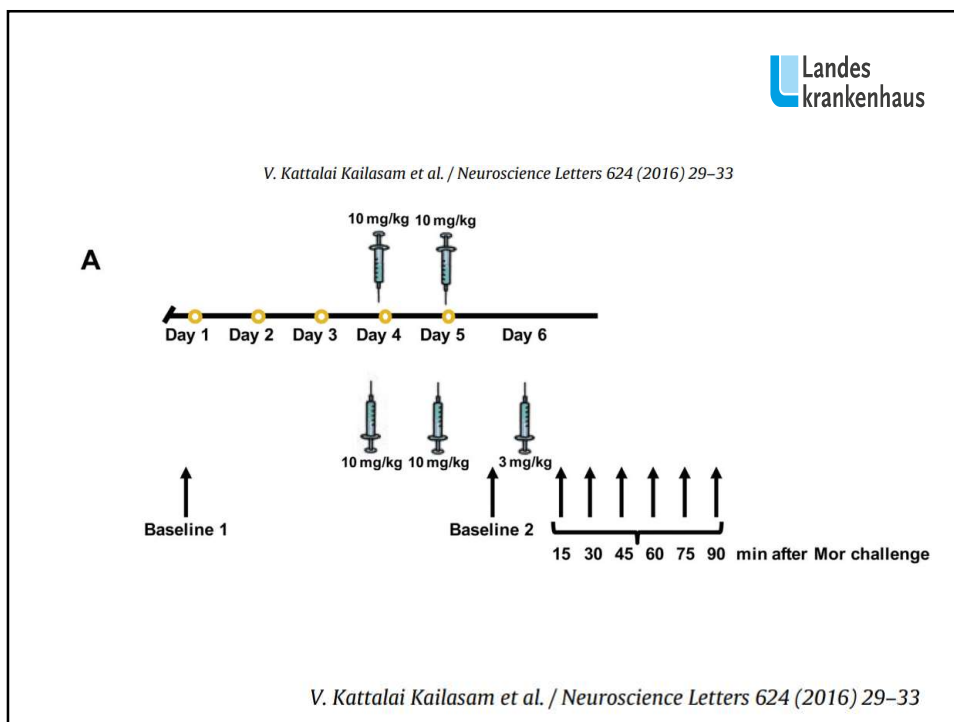
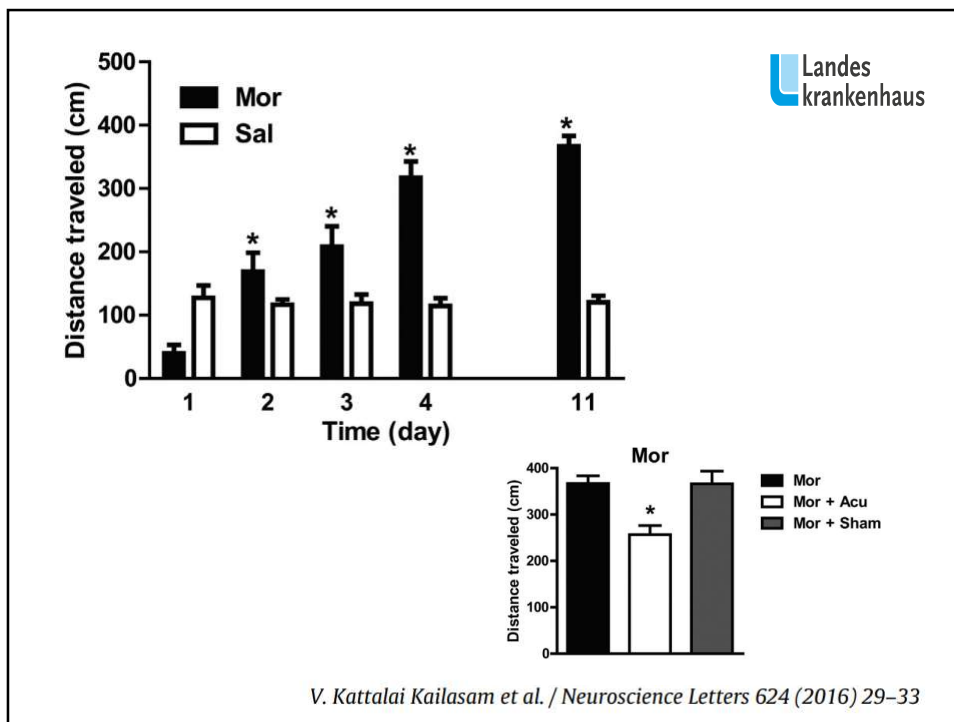


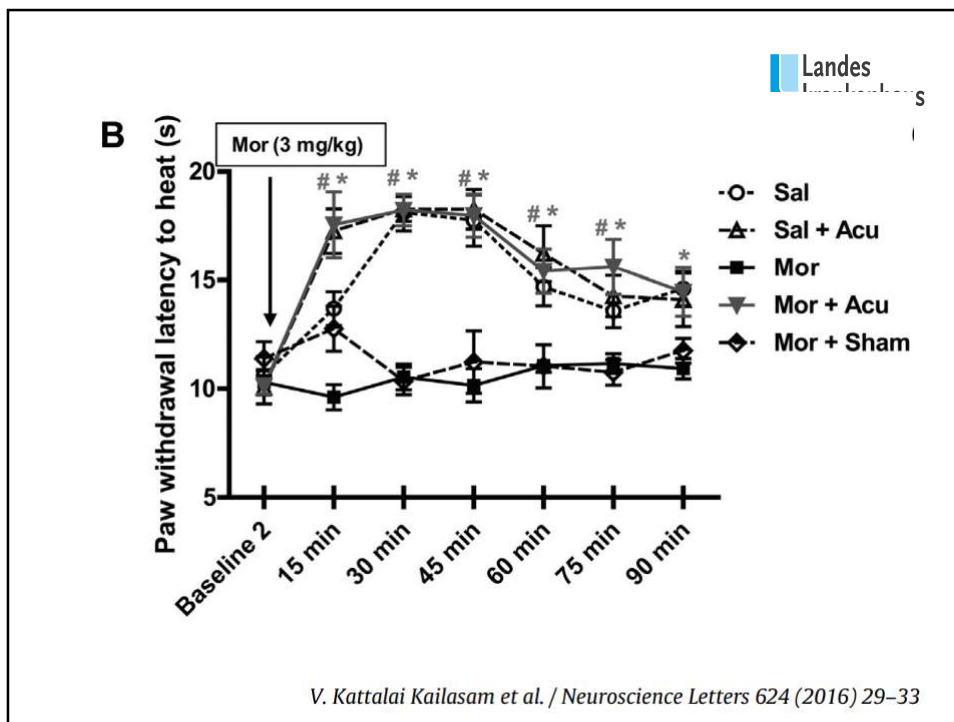
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Stimulation des Vagusnervs verstärkt die Kommunikation zwischen Magen und Gehirn

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Das Nervensystem nimmt Sinnesreize auf, verarbeitet sie und löst Reaktionen wie Muskelbewegungen oder Schmerzempfindungen aus. Vor einigen Jahren wurde ein Netzwerk im Gehirn identifiziert, das mit den Signalen des Magens gekoppelt ist und vermutlich das menschliche Hunger- und Sättigungsgefühl beeinflusst. Nun konnte ein Forschungsteam um Prof. Dr. Nils Kroemer der Universitätsklinik Tübingen und Bonn erstmals zeigen, dass eine nicht-invasive Stimulation des Vagusnervs am Ohr die Kommunikation zwischen Magen und Gehirn innerhalb von Minuten verstärken kann. Die Studienergebnisse wurden aktuell in der Fachzeitschrift *Brain Stimulation* publiziert.

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Vagus nerve stimulation increases stomach-brain coupling via a vagal afferent pathway

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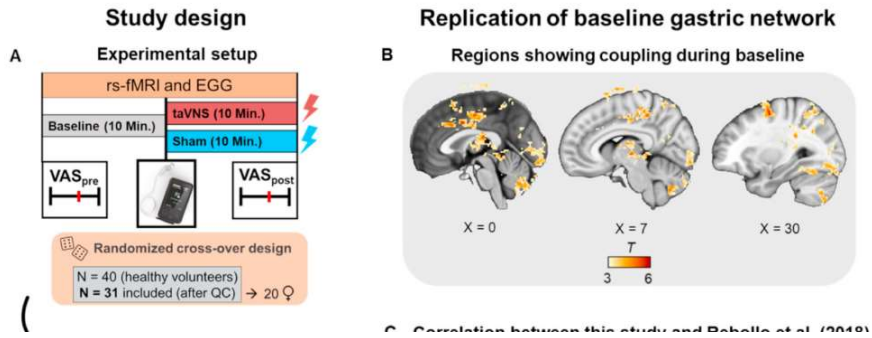
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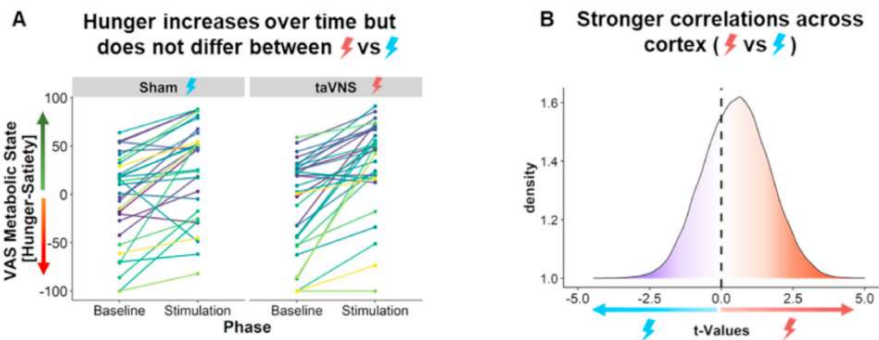
ABSTRACT

Background: Maintaining energy homeostasis is vital and supported by vagal signaling between digestive organs and the brain. Previous research has established a gastric network in the brain that is phase synchronized with the rhythm of the stomach, but tools to perturb its function were lacking.
Objective: To evaluate whether stomach-brain coupling can be acutely increased by non-invasively stimulating vagal afferent projections to the brain.
Methods: Using a single-blind randomized crossover design, we investigated the effect of acute right-sided transcutaneous auricular vagus nerve stimulation (taVNS) versus sham stimulation on stomach-



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taVNS ⚡ increases correlation between changes in coupling and rated hunger across the cortex



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Zusammenfassung/Fazit

- Klassischer Ansatz klinischer Prüfung mittels RCT hat bislang nicht zum erwünschten Erfolg geführt (sham-condition; Zielparameter, adjunctive therapy?)
- ‚Umweg‘ über bisherige Forschung zu Wirkmechanismen der Akupunktur muss kritisch hinterfragt werden
- Tiermodelle zeigen erstaunlich robuste Ergebnisse
- Auriculäre Vagus-Stimulation -> Gut-Brain-Axis wird moduliert