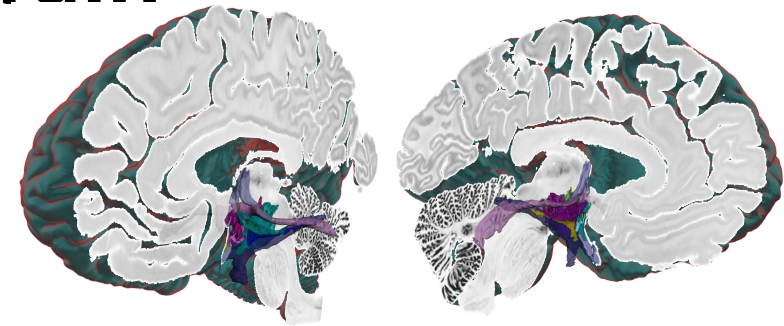


An Atlas of the Human Hypothalamus at Ultra-High Resolution using the BigBrain



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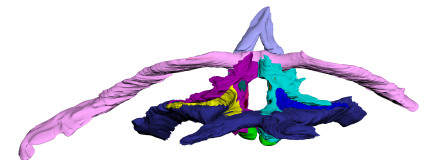
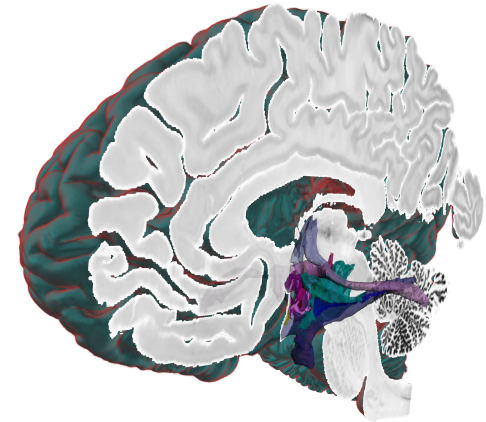


Hypothalamus

autonomic function & hormone axes

numerous nuclei

- sexually dimorphic
- distinct functions



Methods

BigBrain 2015 release

(Amunts et al. Science, 2013)

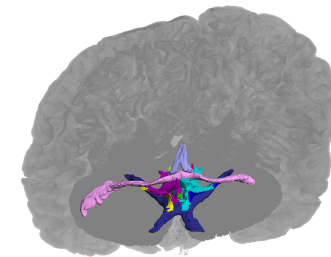
Atelier3D

(Borgeat et al., IEEE Comput Graph, 2007)

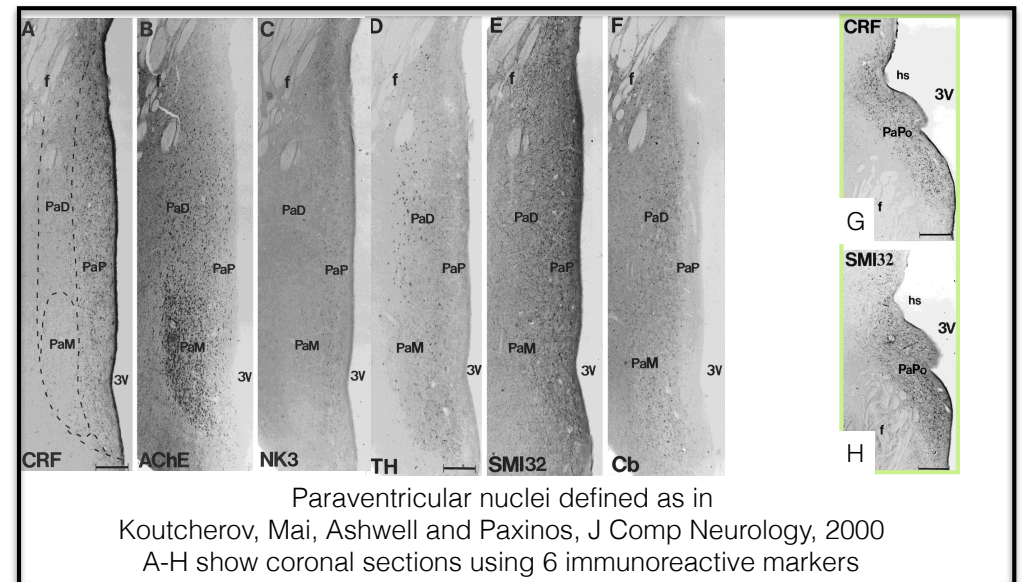
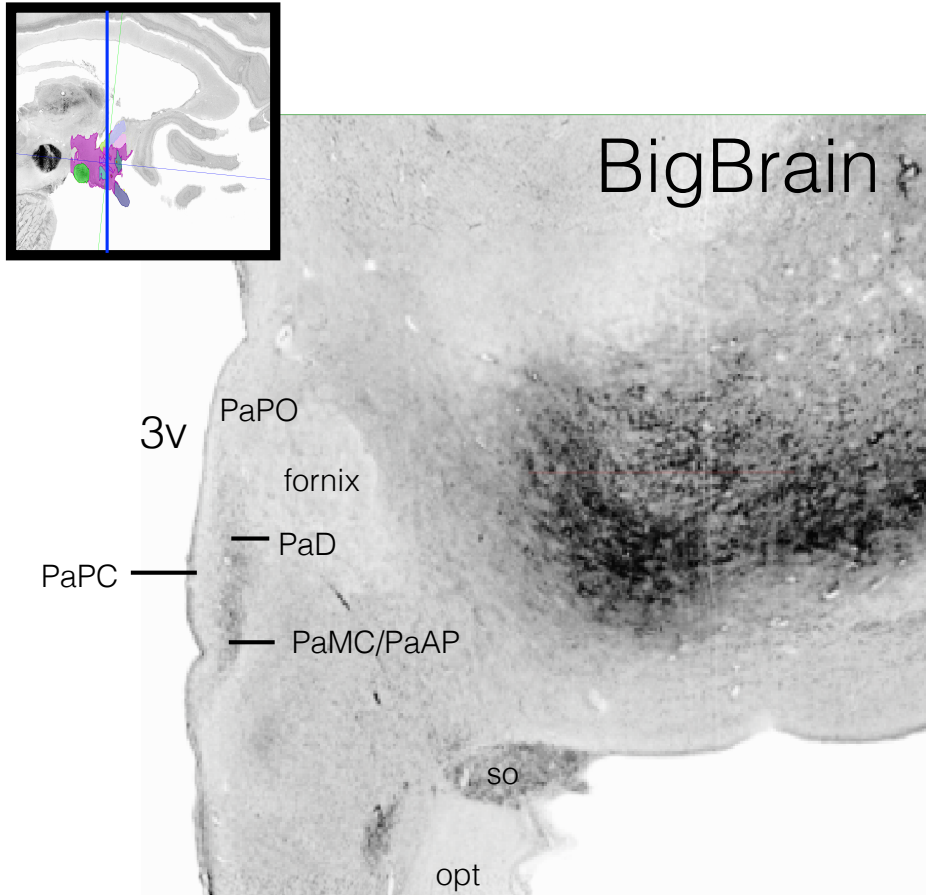
Annotations performed on voxels
at 20 μ m isotropic resolution

- Based on Mai et al. (2015) atlas
- Manual & automatic extraction

Smoothing

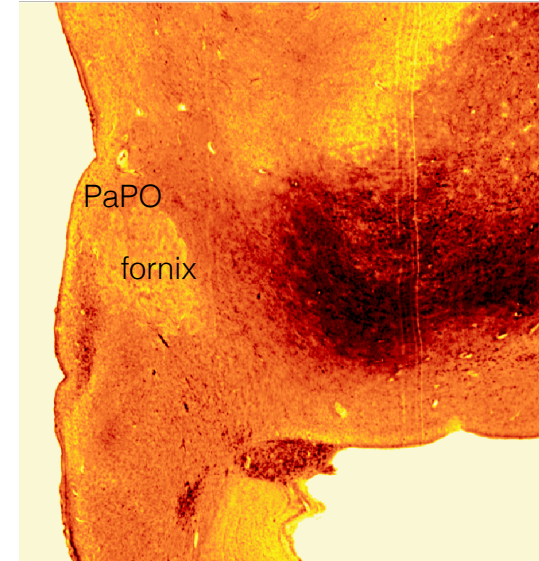
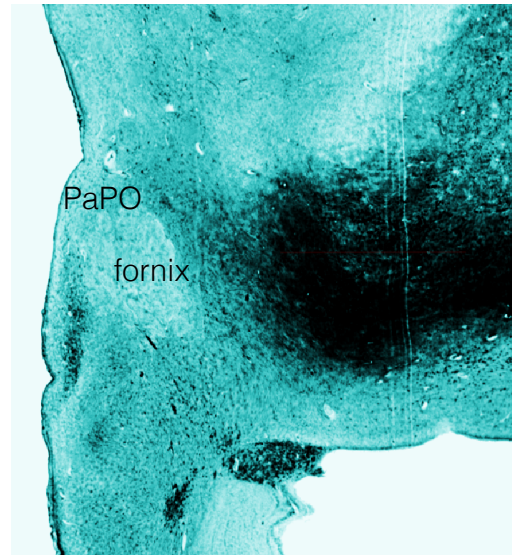
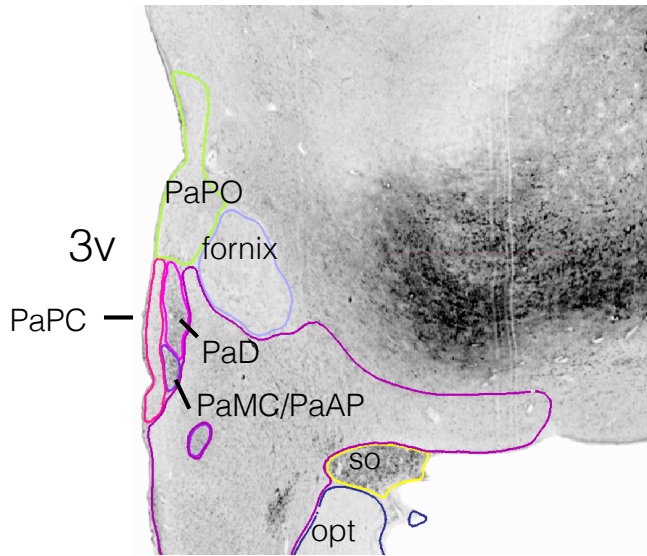


Paraventricular Nuclei

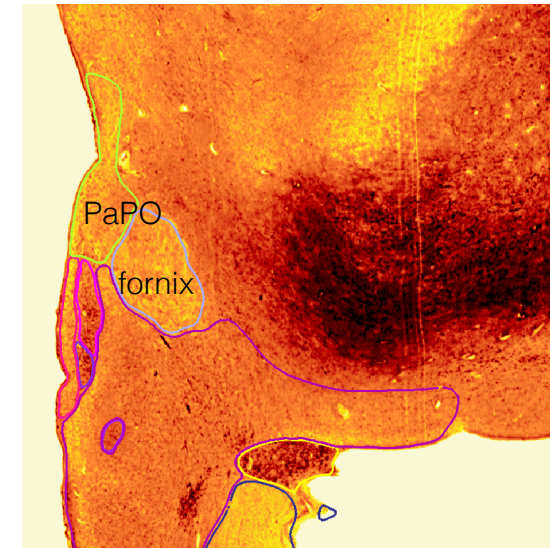
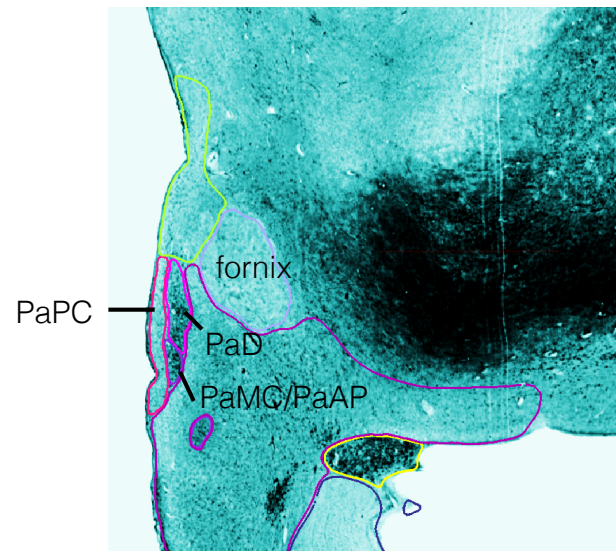
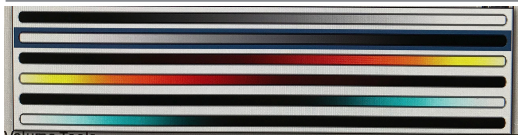


PaPC: paraventricular nucleus-parvocellular region
 PaPO: paraventricular nucleus-posterior region
 PaD: paraventricular nucleus dorsal region
 PaMC: paraventricular nucleus magnocellular region

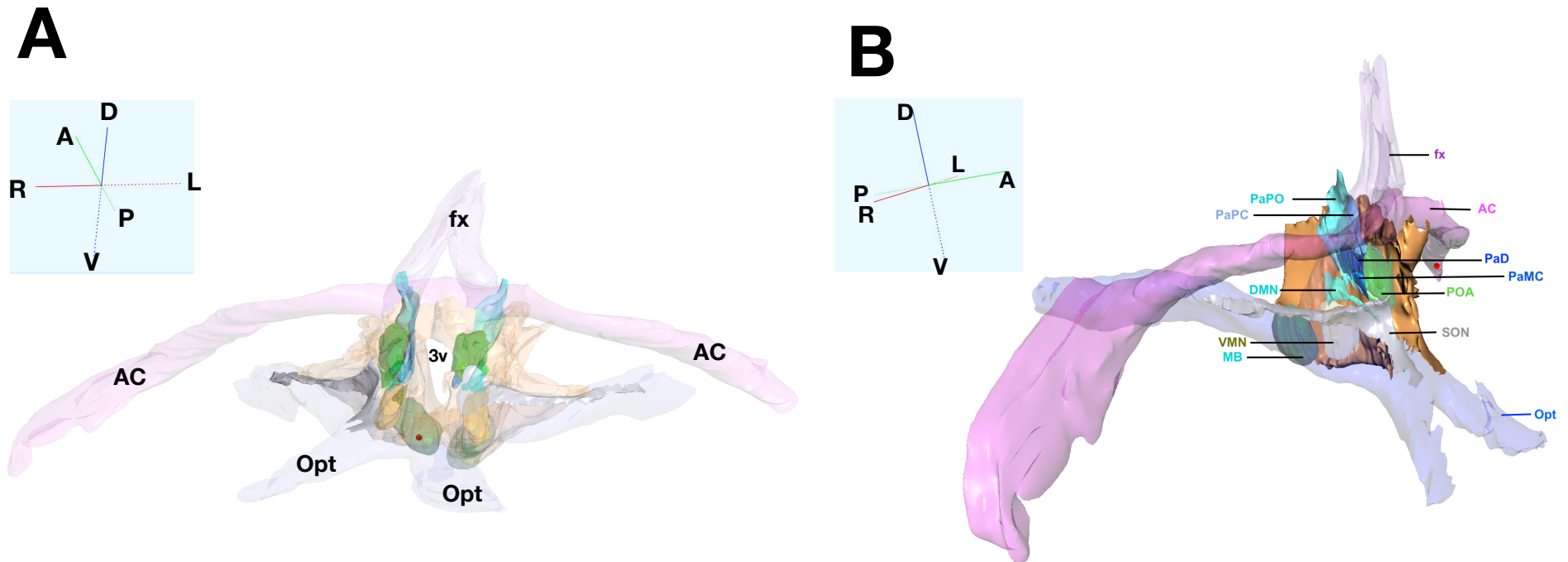
Paraventricular Nuclei



A3D colour map
helped guide
segmentations for
different sub nuclei



Three dimensional reconstruction of the hypothalamus and key surrounding white matter structures on BigBrain



Three dimensional reconstruction of the hypothalamus and key surrounding white matter structures on BigBrain. Smoothed surfaces were visualized in BrainBrowser (Sherif et al., 2015).

3v: third ventricle; AC: Anterior commissure; DMN: dorsomedial nucleus; fx: fornix; MB: mamillary body; PaPC: paraventricular nucleus-parvocellular region; PaPO: paraventricular nucleus-posterior region; PaD: paraventricular nucleus dorsal region; PaMC: paraventricular nucleus magnocellular region; POA: preoptic nucleus; SON: supraoptic nucleus; opt: optic tract; VMN: ventromedial nucleus.

Orientation is shown in the blue legends, dorsal (D), ventral (V), right (R), left (L), anterior (A), posterior (P).