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2 Emergence of visually-evoked reward expectation signals in dopamine neurons via the
3 superior colliculus in V1 lesioned monkeys

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15 **Abstract**

16 Responses of midbrain dopamine (DA) neurons reflecting expected reward from
17 sensory cues are critical for reward-based associative learning. However, critical
18 pathways by which reward-related visual information is relayed to DA neurons remain
19 unclear. To address this question, we investigated Pavlovian conditioning in macaque
20 monkeys with unilateral primary visual cortex (V1) lesions (an animal model of
21 ‘blindsight’). Anticipatory licking responses to obtain juice drops were elicited in
22 response to visual conditioned stimuli (CS) in the affected visual field. Subsequent
23 pharmacological inactivation of the superior colliculus (SC) suppressed the anticipatory
24 licking. Concurrent single unit recordings indicated that DA responses reflecting the
25 reward expectation could be recorded in the absence of V1, and that these responses
26 were also suppressed by SC inactivation. These results indicate that the subcortical
27 visual circuit can relay reward-predicting visual information to DA neurons and
28 integrity of the SC is necessary for visually-elicited classically conditioned responses
29 after V1 lesion.

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32 **Introduction**

33 Adaptive behaviour in a changing environment requires that we have to learn and
34 update associations between unconditioned rewards and punishments, and the sensory
35 stimuli that predict them. This form of associative learning is called classical or
36 Pavlovian conditioning (Pavlov, 1927). The Pavlovian paradigm has been used widely
37 to investigate the role of midbrain dopamine (DA) neurons in associative learning
38 (Schultz, 1998). Much evidence indicates that the activity of DA neurons in the
39 substantia nigra pars compacta (SNc) makes a key contribution in associative learning,
40 in part, by encoding reward prediction errors. A reward prediction error is a scalar
41 signal that signifies a current event is better or worse than predicted.

42 In a series of pioneering experiments Schultz and colleagues (Schultz et al., 1992;
43 Mirenowicz and Schultz, 1994; Schultz et al., 1997) showed that DA responses to an
44 unpredicted reward (unconditioned stimulus; UCS), gradually transferred to an
45 unexpected predicting conditioned stimulus (CS). If a predicting CS was presented but
46 subsequent reward delivery was withheld, DA neurons would pause briefly at the
47 expected time of reward delivery (Schultz et al., 1997). These bidirectional sensory
48 responses of DA neurons to events that were better or worse than expected led to the
49 formulation of the reward prediction error hypothesis of DA signaling (Montague et al.,

50 1996, Schultz, 1998). Subsequent experiments have confirmed that phasic DA
51 responses are sensitive to reward magnitude (Tobler et al., 2005), reward probability
52 (Fiorillo et al., 2003; Nakahara et al., 2004; Matsumoto and Hikosaka, 2009) and
53 reward delay (Kobayashi and Schultz 2008; Fiorillo et al., 2008).

54 It has been shown that short latency phasic responses can be elicited in DA neurons by
55 unexpected rewards (Schultz, 1998; Fiorillo, 2013) or conditioned stimuli that predict
56 future reward (Matsumoto and Hikosaka, 2009; Matsumoto and Hikosaka, 2007; Eshel
57 et al., 2015). A critical feature of these early experiments was that the latency of sensory
58 (usually visually) elicited DA responses was typically 100 ms or less following stimulus
59 onset. This raised the question of by which route(s) is the visual information for reward
60 expectation relayed to DA neurons in the ventral midbrain (Redgrave et al., 1999). In a
61 series of investigations, a novel projection from the subcortical midbrain superior
62 colliculus (SC) directly to the midbrain DA neurons was demonstrated in rat (Comoli et
63 al., 2003), cat (McHaffie et al., 2006) and monkey (May et al., 2009). The SC is an
64 evolutionary archaic visual structure in the vertebrate brain that receives direct input
65 from retinal ganglion cells (Perry et al., 1984), and is especially sensitive to unexpected
66 luminance changes (Boehnke and Munoz, 2008). A later study (Dommert et al., 2005)
67 confirmed that the retino-tecto-nigral projections were involved in the short-latency

68 phasic activation and release of DA in the basal ganglia following a transient light-flash.
69 However, this investigation was conducted in anaesthetized rodents, and it remains to
70 be determined whether the SC can play a critical role in the short-latency CS-elicited
71 activation of DA neurons and conditioned responses in awake behaving non-human
72 primates.

73 During the evolutionary expansion of the cerebral cortex, the relative importance of the
74 geniculo-striate projection to primary visual cortex (V1) for visual perception increased
75 (Livingstone and Hubel, 1988). This development offered a further potential route via
76 V1, by which visual information for reward expectation might be relayed to ventral
77 midbrain DA neurons. Therefore, the specific purpose of the present study was to
78 investigate whether the subcortical visual pathway via the SC can mediate the afferent
79 visual CS signal in the Pavlovian conditioning paradigm and activate DA neurons at
80 short-latency in primates. To do this, we used monkeys that had a unilateral lesion of
81 cortical area, V1. This preparation in which primary cortical visual processing was
82 disabled was used to isolate the contribution of the SC that remained intact on the V1
83 lesioned side. After V1 damage, visual awareness is impaired in the lesion-affected
84 visual field (Covey and Stöerig, 1995; Yoshida and Isa, 2015). However, from both
85 human (Pöppel et al., 1973) and animal studies (Covey and Stöerig, 1995; Yoshida and

86 Isa, 2015) it is known that a transient visual stimulus presented in the lesion-affected
87 visual field can trigger a range of behavioural responses, in the apparent absence of
88 subjective awareness. This phenomenon has been called “blindsight”, where many of
89 the residual visual competences are thought to be mediated by the SC (Mohler and
90 Wurtz, 1977). Consequently, we have made use of animals that were used previously to
91 characterize the phenomenon of ‘blindsight’; they have abilities to make saccadic eye
92 movements to a visual target presented in the lesion-affected visual field (Yoshida et al.,
93 2008), despite their awareness to the visual target was impaired like human blindsight
94 patient (Yoshida and Isa, 2015). This animal model enabled us to test whether the intact
95 subcortical visual circuitry in this preparation can support visual Pavlovian conditioning
96 and short-latency activation of DA neurons (Schultz, 1998).

97 The purpose of this study was, therefore, to test whether unilaterally V1-lesioned
98 monkeys could associate reward-predicting visual cues with subsequent reward
99 (Pavlovian conditioning), and whether visual CSs could activate midbrain DA neurons.
100 To verify the role of subcortical visual processing, neural activity in the SC was
101 suppressed with local injections of a pharmacological agent.

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103 **Results**

104 **V1 lesion.**

105 The right V1 of monkey K and U, and left V1 of monkey T was surgically removed by
106 aspiration, 46, 44 and 6 months before the present experiments, respectively. The lesion
107 area was confirmed by MR images and the range of the lesion-affected visual field was
108 confirmed by increased threshold for detecting saccadic targets at the beginning of the
109 present experiments (figure 1A, Figure 1–Figure Supplement 1). We presented targets at
110 possible positions which covered the whole contralesional visual field (monkey K; 3
111 directions \times 3 eccentricities, monkey U; 5 directions \times 4 eccentricities, monkey U; 5
112 directions \times 3 eccentricities) and luminance contrast sensitivity of all targets to induce
113 saccadic eye movements clearly decreased in affected visual field (Figure 1–Figure
114 Supplement 1C). The visual deficits caused by these lesions was similar to the animals
115 which were reported previously (Yoshida et al., 2008). These results indicated that the
116 V1 lesion affected most of the contralesional visual field, at least from 5° to 15°
117 eccentricities. Visual input pathways from retina can be classified into two major
118 pathways; one is cortical pathways via LGN and V1, the other is subcortical pathways
119 via the SC. The monkeys with unilateral V1 lesion were used to investigate abilities of
120 the subcortical visual pathways through the SC (Mohler and Wurtz, 1977; Kato et al.

121 2011; Takaura et al., 2011). In this study, the V1 lesion allowed us to assess
122 contribution of visual information via the SC to support visual classical conditioning
123 and to evoke phasic DA responses following the presentation of conditioned stimuli.

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125 **Pavlovian conditioning.** As a first step we investigated whether monkeys K and U,
126 both with unilateral lesions of V1, could learn the association between a visual CS and
127 subsequent reward when the CS was presented in the lesion-affected ‘blind’ field (figure
128 1A). In this part of the study we presented two visual CSs; one predicted a large reward
129 (LR = 0.17 ml) delivered during the CS presentation (1.3 s from CS onset), whereas the
130 other predicted a small reward (SR = 0.06 ml) delivered 1.5 s after the CS offset. The
131 two CSs could be discriminated by their location relative to central fixation point (upper
132 or lower visual field, figure 1B). On separate days the CSs were presented to the lesion-
133 affected or intact visual fields.

134 After 12 days of having the CSs predict juice delivery (approximately 200 trials/day),
135 conditioned anticipatory licking was induced by both LR-CS and SR-CS (figure 1C,
136 Figure 1–Figure Supplement 2A). The conditioned licking rate during the CS
137 presentation was significantly higher in LR trials than in SR trials (15 sessions in
138 monkey K and 16 sessions in monkey U, figure 1D, $\alpha < 0.05$, Wilcoxon signed-ranks

139 test). In addition, the conditioned responses elicited by CSs presented to either the intact
140 or lesion-affected visual fields were not reliably different (figure 1E), ($\alpha < 0.05$, two
141 sample t-test with Welch's correction). These results show that a visual cue presented in
142 the V1 lesion-affected hemi-field can act as an effective CS in a Pavlovian conditioning
143 task. Moreover, the monkeys were able to discriminate successfully between the
144 difference in the magnitude and timing of reward predicted by CSs according to where
145 they were presented in the lesion-affected hemi-field.

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147 **Reversal learning.** To test the flexibility of associative learning and to exclude the
148 possibility that the discriminability of the LR- and SR-CSs was simply determined by
149 their respective locations, the upper and lower positions on the screen where the LR-CS
150 and SR-CS appeared were switched (Figure 1F, Figure 1–Figure Supplement 2B). After
151 the switching, the high conditioned licking rate gradually changed to follow the new
152 LR-CS, again irrespective of whether the CSs were presented in both intact and lesion-
153 affected visual fields (Figure 1F). After the successful reversal, the LR- and SR-CSs
154 were switched back to their original assignment. At which point the conditioned
155 responses switched back to follow the newly assigned LR-CS. These results indicate
156 that monkeys can flexibly associate the locations of the visual CSs and the reward

157 predicted by them even without V1.

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159 **Muscimol injection.** To investigate whether visual processing in the SC was
160 responsible for the expression of visually-evoked conditioned responses when the CSs
161 were presented to the V1 lesion affected side, the GABA agonist muscimol (0.5 μ L; 1
162 μ g/ μ L concentration at a rate of 1 μ L/15 s) was injected into the ipsi-lesional SC of
163 monkeys K and T. Thus, before the muscimol injection, neural activity of the SC was
164 recorded, and the location of neurons responsive to LR-CS was identified on SCs
165 retinotopic map. Muscimol was then injected into this location (Figure 2A). The
166 suppressive effect of the muscimol injection was confirmed by showing that the
167 monkey failed to make saccades to the LR-CS location as previously shown for the
168 blindsight monkeys by Kato et al., (2011) (figure 2B; see disappearance of saccades to
169 the left-upward target).

170 Also, before the muscimol injection, anticipatory licking evoked by the LR-CS
171 presentation (0 - 0.7 or 1.3 ms) served as a baseline control in our Pavlovian
172 conditioning task (figure 2C left). Immediately following the muscimol injection the
173 monkeys continued to perform the LR-CS evoked conditioned anticipatory licking.
174 However, over the next 20 – 30 min the normal conditioned response (anticipatory

175 licking) gradually disappeared (figure 2C right). At which point, two new patterns of
176 behaviour were observed: (i) in the case of monkey T (figure 2C right), all anticipatory
177 response was abolished and licking appeared only after the juice reward was delivered;
178 and (ii) for monkey K anticipatory licking was evoked shortly after the onset of both the
179 LR-CS and SR-CS (Figure 2–Figure Supplement 1. In other words, the animal’s ability
180 to discriminate between the CSs on the basis of position within the visual field was lost.
181 Muscimol injections were administered in 13 experiments (monkey K: 9 experiments,
182 monkey T: 4 experiments). To assess the effect of the SC inactivation the difference
183 between the licking rate during CS presentation was compared for LR and SR trials.
184 Before the SC inactivation (control), monkeys licked a reward spout more frequently
185 during CS period in LR trials than in SR trials in all sessions. The difference of the
186 licking rate between in LR trials and in SR trials was diminished after SC inactivation
187 (Wilcoxon signed-ranks test; $P < 0.001$). During the SC inactivation, the difference of
188 licking rate was not significantly different from zero (one-sample t-test; $P > 0.005$). The
189 results were consistent in all sessions of both monkeys (figure 2D).
190 These results indicate that the visual processing signifying CS onset by the SC on the
191 V1 lesion-affected side was essential for a previously established conditioned response
192 to be expressed in our Pavlovian conditioning task.

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194 **Responses of DA neurons to visual conditioned stimuli.** It has been reported widely
195 that dopamine neurons are phasically activated by unpredicted conditioned stimuli in
196 Pavlovian tasks (Schultz, 1998). The purpose of the next phase of our study was,
197 therefore, to investigate whether a visual CS presented to the V1 lesion-affected visual
198 field had the capacity to evoke a phasic response in ipsilateral DA neurons in the current
199 Pavlovian conditioning task. Monkeys K and T were used for these experiments.

200 Neurons conforming to the electrophysiological criteria established for identifying
201 putative DA neurons were recorded in the ventral midbrain. The neurons included in our
202 sample therefore had low baseline firing rates ($<10\text{Hz}$), and broad spike-widths
203 ($>0.45\text{ms}$ between the first negative peak and next positive peak) (figure 3B, C). The
204 location of recorded neurons was later confirmed by identifying the site of small lesions
205 made at some of the recording sites in tissue immunostained for tyrosine hydroxylase
206 (figure 3D).

207 Typical responses of putative DA neurons in our Pavlovian task are shown for a single
208 case (figure 3F), and for the population of recorded neurons ($n=24$) (figure 3G). First,
209 because of its task-relevance and unpredictability, putative DA neurons were activated
210 robustly by the onset of the fixation point. However, this response was similar in LR

211 trials and SR trials (left-hand panels of figures 3F and 3G) because at the time the
212 fixation point was presented the magnitude and timing of reward predicted by the
213 upcoming CS was unknown. Subsequently, when the temporally uncertain CSs were
214 presented, a clear difference in the putative dopamine response was evident between the
215 LR and SR trials – a reliably larger response was evoked by the LR-CS (central panels
216 of figures 3F and 3G). In this case, responses to predicted presentations of the juice
217 reward were unreliable and significantly weaker than responses evoked either by the FP
218 or CSs (right-hand panels of figures 3F and 3G).

219 Confirmation of the above findings for the population of DA neurons ($n = 24$) is
220 illustrated in figure 3H. In these figures, firing rate of these responses in a selected time
221 window (FP, CS: 0.1 s – 0.3 s from the onset, RW: 0.15 s – 0.35 s from the delivery)
222 was compared between the LR and SR trials. The left-hand panel shows that there was
223 no reliable difference between the putative dopamine responses evoked by FP
224 presentation in LR and SR trials (Wilcoxon signed-ranks test). However, the LR-CS
225 elicited a significantly larger responses compared with those evoked by the SR-CS
226 (central panel figure 3H). These responses were not strongly affected by the V1 lesion.
227 Firing rate of the responses to CSs presented into lesion affected and intact visual fields
228 were not significantly different (Figure 3–Figure Supplement 1). Finally, there were no

229 reliable differences in the responses evoked by the onset of the predicted LR or SR
230 (right-hand panel figure 3H).

231 The overall mean response latency was 107 ms while the latencies of the individual
232 neurons were distributed between 60 to 160 ms after the LR-CS onset (latency = the
233 time when the neural response rate exceeded 2SD of their baseline activity). We
234 calculated the earliest time points when difference between responses to LR-CS and
235 SR-CS was observed. The earliest time points when response differentiation lasting
236 more than 15 ms started was 122 ms from the CS onset in lesion-affected visual field,
237 and 112 ms in intact visual field (figure 3I). This result indicates that the latency of the
238 reward discrimination by DA neurons was minimally affected by the absence of V1.

239 These results showed in the absence of V1, that temporally unpredicted visual CSs were
240 able to elicit typical short latency and short duration phasic responses in ventral
241 midbrain neurons, presumed to be dopaminergic. These neurons could discriminate the
242 LR-CS and SR-CS, based on the location of their presentation within the lesion-affected
243 visual field. These results indicate that the residual early visual structures (most likely
244 the midbrain SC) retained the capacity to evoke differential phasic DA responses
245 informed by the reward expected from CS. The final phase of our study sought to test
246 the contribution of the SC.

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248 **CS evoked responses during SC inactivation.** To test whether the transmission of
249 visual signals via the SC was responsible for CS-evoked phasic DA responses,
250 muscimol was injected into the ipsi-lesional SC (figure 4E). Thus, after the collection of
251 control data on visually guided saccadic task and on Pavlovian conditioning task,
252 baseline records of the responses of the DA neurons to the presentation of the fixation
253 point, CS and reward were recorded. When all was done, muscimol was injected into
254 the appropriate location of the SC (see above) and DA responses to the same sensory
255 events were reassessed. Thus, the activity of a single DA neuron was recorded both
256 before and after the muscimol injection. To ensure that the same recorded neuron was
257 maintained throughout the session (i.e. for approximately 1.5 hours), its waveform was
258 carefully monitored. Only when the DA waveforms remained constant before, after
259 muscimol injection were the data included in our sample (Figure 4–Figure Supplement
260 1).

261 The responses of a typical DA neuron are illustrated in figures 4A and 4B. Before
262 collicular inactivation (figure 4A) the DA responses to the task-related stimuli were
263 similar to those observed in previous experiments (see above – figures 3F and 3G).
264 After the injection of muscimol, when the relevant SC was inactivated, the robust

265 response evoked by the FP was largely unaffected (compare figures 4A and 4B (left-
266 hand panels), figures 4C left and 4D left, Wilcoxon test, not significantly different).
267 After the muscimol injection the response of the recorded neuron to presentation of the
268 LR-CS was retained for a short while (central panels figure 4B). However, after a few
269 trials the drug action became apparent, and the CS-evoked response was almost
270 completely abolished (central panel figures 4B and 4C). It is also significant that in
271 these early trials, when the reward delivery was still predicted by visual input from the
272 SC, reward presentation failed to evoke a phasic DA response. However, as the
273 colliculus became fully inhibited, the now unpredicted presentation of the reward
274 evoked a robust phasic response, which in this case was clearly dependent on the
275 magnitude and timing of reward predicted by the CS. This pattern of response was
276 consistent in all recorded neurons (figure 4D). Also, for most of the recorded neurons,
277 reward responses emerged as the inactivation progressed (right panels of figures 4B, 4C
278 and 4D). In SR trials, firing rate to CS was unaltered by the injection. During the SC
279 inactivation, DA responses evoked by the CS were not significantly different between
280 LR and SR trials (Figure 4–Figure Supplement 2). Together, these results confirm that,
281 in the absence of V1, visual signals signifying CS onset, with the capacity to elicit a
282 short latency phasic response in presumed DA neurons, are most likely to be relayed via

283 the direct retino-tecto-nigral projection (Comoli et al., 2003, Dommett et al., 2005),
284 although an indirect contribution, possibly involving the pedunclopontine nucleus
285 cannot be ruled out at present (Harting, 1977; Redgrave et al., 1987; Kobayashi and
286 Okada, 2007).

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288 **Discussion**

289 In the present study, we investigated whether subcortical visual systems, in particular
290 the midbrain superior colliculus (SC), can support behavioural Pavlovian conditioning,
291 while at the same time evoke short latency phasic responses in ventral midbrain DA
292 neurons. This was achieved by using monkeys with unilateral damage to the V1 that had
293 been used previously to investigate the phenomenon of “blindsight”. The purpose of
294 using this preparation was to isolate the contribution of the SC that remained intact on
295 the V1 disabled side. The main findings of the present study were, first, that after
296 several days of training, presentation of a CS was equally capable of eliciting a robust
297 conditioned response when it was presented either to the V1 lesion-affected visual field,
298 or to the field served both by an intact visual cortex and the SC. This result
299 demonstrated the capacity of residual subcortical visual pathways to elicit Pavlovian
300 conditioned responses. Secondly, when identical CSs that predicted different amounts
301 of primary reward (juice) were presented at different locations, either within the intact
302 or lesion-affected visual fields, differential conditioned responses were elicited. This
303 suggests that the subcortical neural mechanisms responsible for mediating the
304 conditioned responses can discriminate CSs on the basis of spatial location. Thirdly, a
305 critical involvement of the SC was established by showing that anticipatory conditioned

306 responding reflecting reward expectation was disrupted when the critical locus
307 representing the LR-CS within the spatial retinotopic map in the SC was locally
308 inactivated with muscimol. Fourthly, parallel electrophysiological recording from
309 putative DA neurons revealed that visual CSs presented to the lesion-affected visual
310 field elicited patterns of phasic responses that have been widely reported by others.
311 Specifically, the initial task-relevant fixation point evoked robust DA responses that
312 were independent of subsequent CS value (Bromberg-Martin et al. 2010; Matsumoto
313 and Takada, 2013); the temporally unpredicted CSs evoked phasic DA responses that
314 were dependent on the predictive value of the CS (Tobler et al., 2005; Fiorillo, 2013);
315 while the predicted reward deliveries evoked only muted responses (Schultz, 1998).
316 Finally, phasic DA responses evoked by CS were almost completely abolished when the
317 CS representation in the colliculus was pharmacologically blocked. Thus, the SC was
318 critically involved in the short-latency activation of DA neurons by visual CSs
319 presented to the V1 lesion-affected visual field. Together these results show that visual
320 cues presented to the lesion-affected field in monkeys with a unilateral V1 lesion can
321 support behavioral Pavlovian conditioning, and elicit DA responses that reflect the
322 reward predicted by the CS via an afferent projection route involving the midbrain SC.
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324 **Possible input pathways for reward prediction.** Many studies have indicated that
325 midbrain DA neurons causally contribute to reinforcement learning. For example, when
326 reward expectation signals from DA neurons were impaired by D1 receptor blocker or
327 when NMDA receptors were knocked out in DA receptor expressing neurons in various
328 brain areas, conditioned response was impaired in many kinds of behavioral learning
329 tasks (Di Ciano et al., 2001; Flagel et al., 2011; Parker et al., 2011; Puig and Miller,
330 2012; Berridge and Robinson, 1998; Parker et al., 2010). Alternatively, when DA
331 neurons or neurons expressing D1 receptors were activated by electrical or
332 optogenetical stimulation, various forms of conditioned behaviour were induced (Olds
333 and Milner, 1954; Adamantidis et al., 2011; Ilango et al., 2014; Steinberg et al., 2013;
334 Kravitz et al., 2012). Thus, such involvement of dopaminergic transmission or DA
335 neuron activity in learning has been well studied, however, it remains unclear how DA
336 neurons are able to signal the value or salience of unpredicted objects or events at short-
337 latency.

338 It has been proposed that the early phasic responses of DA neurons have two separable
339 components; an early non-selective sensory response that represents temporal salient-
340 event prediction errors, and a second component that codes the object/event's reward
341 value (Joshua et al 2009; Bromberg-Martin 2010; Schultz 2016). This view immediately

342 provokes the question of what early afferent visual processing could allow the DA
343 neurons to respond in this fashion to conditioned visual stimuli (the sensory modality
344 that is most frequently used)? Following the onset of a visual CS response latencies in
345 V1 are typically in the range 40-60ms, while in the inferotemporal cortex where
346 objects/events are identified they are slower in the range 80-100ms (Thorp and Fabre-
347 Thorpe 2001). Moreover, since there are no obvious direct connections to the ventral
348 midbrain, the results of cortical visual processing are likely to be relayed via additional
349 time consuming indirect routes. On the other hand, response latencies in the retino-
350 recipient midbrain SC are significantly less (40-50ms) and there is a direct tectonigral
351 projection to substantia nigra pars compacta (Comoli et al. 2003; McHaffie et al., 2006,
352 May et al 2009). It is probable, therefore, that the earliest sensory component of the
353 phasic DA response (70-150ms) is mediated via subcortical visual processing involving
354 the SC (Comoli et al., 2003; Dommert et al., 2005).

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356 Two versions of the two-visual system hypothesis as an explanation for the bimodal
357 characteristic of short latency phasic DA responses to visual CSs have been presented
358 (Joshua et al., 2009; Bromberg-Martin et al., 2010; Schultz, 2016; Redgrave et al.,
359 2017). The first is that the initial component of the phasic DA response is a non-

360 selective salience signal that represents a temporal salient-event prediction error (Joshua
361 et al 2009, Bromberg-Martin 2010, Schultz 2016). The second phasic component is
362 value-coded and takes longer to compute because the unexpected event needs to be
363 identified before its value is known. Stimulus identification frequently requires stimulus
364 detection, foveation and cortical analysis of geometric form, colour, texture, and
365 apparent motion, in various permutations and combinations (Nomoto et al., 2010).
366 However, in the case of simple stimuli (e.g. luminance change at different spatial
367 locations) it is suggested that the non-selective salience and value components can
368 merge to a near unimodal response that, in some cases, can be separated by
369 sophisticated mathematical analysis (Fiorillo et al., 2013). This version suggests that for
370 both subcortical salience and cortical stimulus identification the early sensory responses
371 have to be relayed through an unspecified ‘value-decoder’ that communicates with DA
372 neurons, thereby enabling them to report reward prediction errors (Schultz, 2016).
373 What is the likely location of the hypothesized ‘value decoder’? Uchida and colleagues
374 recently identified all the brain regions which project to DA neurons in rodents. They
375 report afferent connections from the striatum, amygdala, subthalamic nucleus,
376 pedunculo pontine nucleus, rostromedial reticular nucleus, and GABAergic neurons in
377 the substantia nigra pars reticulata (Watabe-Uchida et al., 2012). Consequently, there

378 are many possible locations that receive input from primary visual structures, compute
379 stimulus value and communicate this to DA neurons in the ventral midbrain. These
380 indirect routes of communication can offer a perfectly reasonable explanation for the
381 value coding of the second delayed component of the early phasic DA response.

382 However, it is important to note that the earliest component (70-150 ms) of phasic DA
383 response is not always best described as a value insensitive salience signal. Both the
384 present results (where cortical visual processing is impaired), and earlier studies of
385 Schultz and his colleagues involving intact monkeys (Tobler et al., 2005; Fiorillo, 2013)
386 report that when CSs can be discriminated on the basis of luminance change at different
387 locations (a subcortical collicular visual competence – Boehnke and Munoz 2008), the
388 phasic DA response latencies are frequently around 100 ms (pre-gaze shift), unimodal
389 and clearly code the predictive value of the CS. So how is it possible for unimodal
390 phasic DA responses (e.g. figure 1B – Tobler et al 2005) to code value at such short
391 latencies? Visual response latencies in intermediary structures identified above are too
392 long (typically >100ms) to account for value coding of a unimodal phasic DA response
393 that peaks at about 100ms. A second, rather simpler version of two-visual system
394 hypothesis can explain value-coding of both components of the early phasic DA
395 response (Redgrave et al., 2017). The proposal is that the predictive value of a visual CS

396 may already be encoded in the early sensory response of both the cortical and
397 subcortical early visual systems. For example, there are many papers that demonstrate
398 that an association with, or an expectation of reward can dramatically influence the
399 magnitude of the initial sensory response in early sensory areas throughout the brain
400 (Mogami and Tanaka, 2006; Serences and Saproo, 2010; Metzger et al., 2006; Leathers
401 and Olson, 2012), including the SC (Ikeda et al., 2003). The most parsimonious
402 explanation of how the earliest responses of DA neurons can be value-coded is,
403 therefore, that they receive input from the SC that has been already value-coded through
404 a classically conditioned process of sensory pre-tuning of the CS value in early sensory
405 structures (Ikeda and Hikosaka 2003).

406 Thus, in our study and those of others, stimuli are conditioned by Pavlovian association
407 with different levels/probabilities of reward, prior to the recording of DA neurons
408 (Fiorillo et al., 2003; Tobler et al., 2005; Matsumoto and Hikosaka, 2009). The likely
409 effect of this process would be to tune the initial sensory responses in early visual
410 structures to reflect the reward predicted by the CS. According to this suggestion, if the
411 object/event prediction error detected in early visual structures has been value-coded by
412 prior Pavlovian association, the event prediction error would also be a reward prediction
413 error. In the case of the SC, if a value-coded signal evoked by a CS was relayed to the

414 DA neurons via the tectonigral projection (Comoli et al., 2003; Dommett et al., 2005;
415 McHaffie et al., 2006; May et al., 2009), it would explain how DA neurons can signal
416 reward prediction errors with latencies in the range 70-150ms (present study and
417 Fiorillo et al., 2003; Tobler et al., 2005). On the other hand, in the case of complex CSs
418 that are presented at the same location, or randomly at different locations, the SC would
419 certainly detect the luminance change associated with CS onset, (Boehnke and Munoz
420 2008). However, because subcortical sensory processing cannot perform complex CS
421 discriminations (Boehnke and Munoz 2008), this onset response will not be value-coded,
422 which might explain why, with complex CSs, the initial sensory component of the DA
423 phasic response is a non-selective salient-event prediction error. A possible explanation
424 of the second value-coded component of the phasic DA response could be that the
425 cortical processing responsible for object/event identification is equally subject to
426 Pavlovian pre-tuning (Mogami and Tanaka, 2006; Serences and Saproo, 2010; Weil et
427 al., 2010).

428 It is well known that there are two kinds of DA responses; one is sensitive to the value
429 of future events, and the other is sensitive to their salience (Matsumoto and Hikosaka,
430 2008; Lerner et al., 2016; Menegas et al., 2017). In the context of the present study, we
431 are unable to tell whether our DA responses reflected value or salience, because we

432 used only reward associated CSs. To confirm which kinds of DA responses are elicited
433 thorough the subcortical visual processing, we have to conduct another experiments
434 using aversive stimuli. However, at least, we could demonstrate that DA neurons could
435 differentiate either reward value or salience with the visual information mediated by the
436 SC.

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439 **Materials and Methods**

440 **Subjects.** Three adult Japanese monkeys (*Macaca fuscata*; all female, body weight 5-7
441 kg, monkey K, U and T) were used in this study. Details of the procedures for training
442 and surgery of the monkeys have been described in previous reports (Yoshida et al.,
443 2008; Kato et al., 2011). Briefly, under isoflurane anesthesia (1.0-1.5 %), the monkeys
444 were implanted with a holder with which the head was stabilized during the behavioural
445 and electrophysiological experiments. The monkeys were allowed to recover for more
446 than 2 weeks after surgery before pre-lesion training. All the experimental procedures
447 were performed in accordance with the National Institutes of Health Guidelines for the
448 Care and Use of Laboratory Animals and approved by the Committee for Animal
449 Experiment at the National Institute of Natural Sciences.

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451 **Unilateral V1 lesion.** The right V1 of monkey K and U, and left V1 of monkey T were
452 surgically removed by aspiration under isoflurane anesthesia (1.0-1.5 %) (see Yoshida
453 et al., 2008). The surgical operation was conducted before 46 months (monkey K), 44
454 months (monkey U), and 6 months (monkey T) from days when their training in this
455 study was started. The opercular surface of the striate cortex and medial area in the
456 Calcarine Sulcus was removed, while the ventrolateral part of the opercular surface,

457 which encodes foveal vision (visual field for eccentricity 0 to 1.0°) remained intact
458 (figure 1A, Figure 1–Figure Supplement 1AB).

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460 **Visually guided saccadic eye movement task.** Prior to the surgery, animals were
461 trained on a visually guided saccadic eye movement task. Their ability to respond to
462 visual stimuli was assessed both before and after the V1 lesion. A monitor
463 (Diamondcrysta WIDE RDT272WX (BK), MITSUBISHI) was positioned 34.5 cm in
464 front of the monkeys' face. A real-time experimental control system (Tempo for
465 Windows, Reflective Computing; <http://reflectivecomputing.com/>) was used for
466 stimulus presentation and data collection. In this task, fixation point (FP) initially
467 appeared at the center of monitor screen. Monkeys were required to maintain fixation in
468 a window centered on the FP (size, 2.5° radius) for 1.6 – 2.0 seconds. A second target
469 visual stimulus (0.6°) was then presented randomly at one of five possible locations in
470 the hemi-visual field for two monkeys (monkey U and T) and one of three possible
471 locations in visual hemifield for one monkey (monkey K) (Figure 1–Figure Supplement
472 1C). When the target appeared, the FP was extinguished and monkeys were required to
473 make a saccade to the peripheral visual target. A window surrounding the target was a
474 circle with a radius of half the distance between each target location (radius =

475 eccentricity \times sin (direction angle between neighboring target positions)/2). This
476 arrangement prevented the targets to overlap with each other. Target luminance
477 Michelson contrast was 0.87-0.94 (13.4-31.3 Weber contrast) on a background of 1.0 cd
478 /m². Reward was delivered if monkeys made a correct saccade to the target within 1 s
479 after target presentation and maintaining fixation within the target window (3.2° radius)
480 for 600 ms. Eye movements were measured with a video-based eye tracker (EYE-
481 TRAC 6; Applied Science Laboratories, sampling rate: 240 Hz). All statistical analysis
482 in this study were performed on Matlab (RRID:SCR_001622).

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484 **Post-lesion assessment of visually-guided saccades.** Details of the methods for
485 calculations to construct the deficit map in these animals have been described
486 previously (Yoshida et al., 2008). Luminance contrast of the targets was varied
487 randomly trial-by-trial (0.02 to 0.9 as expressed in Michelson contrast (Weber contrast
488 0.04-18.0)). For this test, saccades landing in an area within a circle with a radius of half
489 the distance between each target location (radius = eccentricity \times sin(direction angle
490 between neighboring target positions)/2); 15° for monkey U and T, and 22.5° for
491 monkey K) were counted as correct responses. The sensitivity of luminance contrast
492 was defined as that representing the percentage of correct responses corresponding to

493 the sensitivity value $d' = 2$ (threshold for luminance contrast) and deficit maps of
494 individual monkeys were constructed with these values (Figure 1–Figure Supplement
495 1C). In general, the visual field disrupted by the lesion site extended from eccentricities
496 about 5-20° in the monkeys used in this study. The luminance contrast and CS size were
497 retained from previous studies that investigated visual responses of V1 neurons to
498 stimuli presented in the natural blind spot. Our previous study also precluded the
499 possibility of stray-light affecting the results in the present experimental environment by
500 demonstrating the absence of a saccadic response to visual stimuli presented in the
501 natural blind spot. The present Pavlovian conditioning experiments were initiated 46, 44
502 and 6 months after the V1 lesions in monkey K, U and T, respectively.

503

504 **Pavlovian conditioning task.** The task sequence of the Pavlovian conditioning
505 paradigm used in the present study is illustrated in Figure. 1b. Conditioned stimuli (CS)
506 (2.2° red square, luminance contrast: Michelson contrast 0.87 (Weber contrast 13.4)
507 against the background of 1.0 cd/m²) were presented in either the upper (eccentricity:
508 10°, direction: 45° relative to the horizontal axis from the FP) or lower quadrant
509 (eccentricity: 10°, direction: -45° relative to the horizontal axis from the central FP) of
510 the lesion-affected or intact visual hemifield. Experiments involving CS presentation to

511 either the lesion-affected or intact visual hemifield were conducted on separate days. At
512 the beginning of each trial, a fixation point (FP) appeared at the center of monitor. After
513 a 0.7 to 1.2 s fixation period, a CS predicting a large reward (LR-CS) or a CS predicting
514 a small reward (SR-CS) was presented for 1.0 or 1.7 s. The two CSs were pseudo-
515 randomly alternated within a daily session. Throughout the task, monkeys were required
516 to maintain their gaze on the central FP to assure that CS presentation was either to the
517 lesion-affected, or intact visual hemi-field. If fixation was broken, the trial was
518 terminated immediately. The conditioned response (CR) in this task was the
519 anticipatory licking elicited by the CS presentation that occurred prior to the juice
520 delivery. The CR was measured by detecting electric contact between the monkey and
521 the reward tube or by a photo-detector in experiments involving electrophysiological
522 recording. A lick was recorded when the monkeys' tongue was observed to approach
523 the reward spout. To quantify the conditioned response elicited by the visual CS, the
524 number of licking responses detected during the cue presentation (0 to 1.3 s) was
525 counted in 0.1 s time bins in 14-16 sessions for each hemifield of each monkey. The
526 frequency of licking (licking rate) was compared to a baseline frequency during the 1 s
527 period (-1 to 0 s) before the CS onset (one-tailed paired t test, significant level at $p <$
528 0.05).

529

530 **Recording from DA neurons.** A principal aim of the study was to record from single
531 DA neurons while the monkeys were engaged in the Pavlovian conditioning task. This
532 was achieved using epoxyite-coated tungsten microelectrode (impedance: 9-10 M Ω at
533 1 kHz, FHC). Voltage recording were bandpass-filtered between 0.1 (or 0.3) and 10
534 kHz. Standard criteria were used for identification of putative DA neurons (Ungless et
535 al., 2004). First, the location of SNc and the VTA were estimated from MR images
536 taken in advance. After having isolated a single neuron in the appropriate region, we
537 tested whether the presentation of an unpredicted reward would cause a response. Two
538 criteria to confirm the likelihood that we were recording from a DA neuron; (1) it had a
539 low baseline activity between 1.0 – 10.0 Hz (Schultz and Romo, 1987; Matsumoto and
540 Hikosaka, 2009); and (2) the neuron had a spike width, which was clearly longer than
541 those of nearby neurons in the substantia nigra pars reticulata (SNr) that had rates of
542 baseline firing in excess of 40Hz (Ungless et al., 2004; Matsumoto and Takada, 2013).

543

544 **Muscimol injections.** To determine the role of the residual subcortical visual circuit in
545 eliciting conditioned responses in the Pavlovian task and CS-evoked responses in DA
546 neurons we conducted experiments in which the SC on the V1 lesion-affected side was

547 inactivated. In a previous study with these subjects (Kato et al., 2011) reported that the
548 monkeys were unable to make saccades to parts of the visual field injected locally with
549 the gamma aminobutyric acid A (GABA_A) receptor agonist, muscimol. In our
550 experiments we used additional single unit electrophysiology to locate the response
551 field of the SC neurons responsive to the LR-CS. At these sites muscimol (0.5µg in
552 0.5µL) was pressure-injected (0.4 µL/min) using a 10-µL Hamilton syringe (Hamilton
553 Company, Reno, Nevada, USA) mounted in a syringe pump. Conditioned response was
554 measured both before and during inactivation of the SC.

555 In some experiments we recorded the activity of presumed DA neurons while the
556 animals were performing the Pavlovian task. Then, the SC was injected with muscimol.
557 After recording DA activity for about 60 CS presentations, muscimol was injected into
558 the SC while recording from the same neuron was maintained. In some sessions, post-
559 injection trials started immediately after the injection, while in others they started 10 to
560 20 min after the injection.

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562 **Histology.** After all behavioural testing and electrophysiological recording had been
563 completed with monkey K, two small electrolytic lesions were made in each recording
564 track (20 mA, 30 s). The animal was then euthanized and coronal sections (40 µm) of

565 tissue that included SNc were immunostained for tyrosine hydroxylase (TH) to reveal

566 the location of DA neurons (figure 3D). (RRID:AB_390204 for the antibody)

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772 **Legends**

773 **Figure 1.** Pavlovian conditioning in V1 lesioned monkeys.

774 (A) Left: lesion area (depicted in gray) on the whole brain image. Red lines (1 - 3)
775 indicate dorso-ventral levels of horizontal slices shown on the right. Right: lesion area
776 in monkey K (depicted in gray) is overlaid as black areas on axial slices traced from MR
777 images.

778 (B) Design of Pavlovian conditioning task in this study. Monkeys were required to
779 fixate a central fixation point (FP) until CS offset. LR (large reward) and SR (small
780 reward) trials were given at random order. In this task, LR was delivered during CS
781 presentation, and SR was delivered after 1.5 s from CS offset. Abbreviations; RW
782 (reward).

783 (C) Licking rates aligned at the CS onset (monkey K). CSs were presented to intact
784 visual field (left panel) and to lesion-affected visual field (right panel). Red and blue
785 lines indicate licking rates during LR and SR trials, respectively. Gray hatched area
786 indicates CS presentation period. Red and blue vertical dashed lines indicate time of
787 reward delivery in the LR and SR trials, respectively.

788 (D) Licking rates during CS presentation were compared between LR and SR trials in
789 monkey K (left) and U (right). The CSs were presented either to the intact (int, blue

790 lines) or lesion-affected (aff, red lines) hemifield. * = significant difference (monkey K:
791 $p=6.1 \times 10^{-5}$ (aff), $p=4.3 \times 10^{-4}$ (int), monkey U: $p=4.3 \times 10^{-4}$ (aff), $p=1.2 \times 10^{-4}$ (int),
792 Wilcoxon signed-ranks test, $\alpha < 0.05$).

793 (E) Licking rates during CS presentation were compared between CS presented to
794 lesion-affected and that to intact visual field in monkey K (left) and U (right). There was
795 no significant difference in the licking rates both in LR and SR trials. monkey K:
796 $p=0.33$ (LR), $p=0.63$ (SL), monkey U: $p=0.16$ (LR), $p=0.084$ (SL), two sample t-test
797 with Welch's correction, $\alpha < 0.05$)

798 (F) Reversal learning; the effect of switching the CS assignment on licking rates in the
799 intact and affected fields in monkey K. Licking rates during CS presentation to upper
800 (magenta) or lower (green) visual field were plotted for individual days. CS positions
801 were switched on the day indicated by the vertical red dashed lines.

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803 **Figure 1–Figure Supplement 1.** Unilateral V1 lesion.

804 **Figure 1–Figure Supplement 2.** Pavlovian conditioning in monkey U.

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806 **Figure 2.** Effect of SC inactivation on conditioned behaviors.

807 (A) A scheme of the SC inactivation experiments. Muscimol was injected into the point
808 on the ipsi-lesional SC map representing the location of LR-CS in the visual field.

809 (B) End points of saccadic eye movements before and after the SC inactivation (left and
810 right panel). The position of central fixation point is indicated by a blue cross. Circles
811 indicate end points of visually guided saccades, and their colors indicate location of
812 saccadic targets in individual quadrants. Impairment of saccades toward the upper-left
813 target (green) indicates that muscimol effectively suppressed the neuronal activity at the
814 injection site.

815 (C) Licking rates in a daily session before (left panel) and after SC inactivation (right
816 panel) in monkey T. The licking rates are plotted in the same manner as figure 1C. Red
817 and blue lines indicate the licking rates during the LR and SR trials, respectively. Gray
818 hatched area indicates the CS presentation period.

819 (D) Licking rate during 0.7 s from the CS onset in the SR trials are subtracted from
820 licking rate in LR trials in monkey K (blue line, N=9) and T (red line, N=4). The
821 vertical lines indicate the SEM. Bef.: before inactivation, Dur: during inactivation.

822 ($p=2.4 \times 10^{-4}$, Wilcoxon signed-ranks test, $\alpha < 0.05$)

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824 **Figure 2–Figure Supplement 1.** Effect of SC inactivation on conditioned behavior in

825 monkey K.

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827 **Figure 3.** DA neuron responses during Pavlovian conditioning task.

828 (A) Schematic drawing of the experimental design for recording DA neuron activity in
829 the monkey with unilateral V1 lesion.

830 (B) Averaged spike waveforms of a presumed DA neuron in SNc and a non-DA neuron
831 in the SNr. Amplitude of these spikes are normalized. Spike width was defined as the
832 time between the first negative peak and second positive peak.

833 (C) Histogram of the spike width. Red bars indicate the DA neurons and blue bars
834 indicates the SNr neurons.

835 (D) Left; a low magnification view of the SNc and surrounding structures stained with
836 anti-TH immunohistochemistry. Scale bar = 5.0 mm. Right; a high magnification view
837 of the area indicated by a blue square. Red arrows indicate locations of electrolytic
838 markings. Scale bar = 2.0 mm.

839 (E) Time course of the Pavlovian conditioning task (the same as figure 1B).

840 (F) A typical DA neuron activity in V1 lesioned monkeys. Raster plots of a DA neuron
841 from LR (red) and SR (blue) trials were sorted and shown on the top, receptively. The
842 first trial was plotted at the bottom of the raster plot and the last trial was plotted at the
843 top. Red and blue lines indicate average firing rates during LR and SR trials,
844 respectively. These plots were aligned at the FP onset, CS onset, and RW delivery (left,

845 middle and right panels, respectively).

846 (G) Responses of all recorded DA neurons to FP, CS and RW (left, middle and right
847 panels) are superimposed. A thick red line in each panel is the averaged firing rate of
848 DA neurons in LR trials, and a thick blue line is the averaged firing rate in SR trials.
849 Thin lines behind the averaged lines are the averaged responses of individual neurons in
850 LR trials (red) and in SR trials (blue), respectively.

851 (H) Firing rates of individual DA neurons within the time windows (100 - 300 ms from
852 FP and CS or 150 - 350 ms from RW; left, middle and right panels). Blue lines indicate
853 the average of all the neurons and SD of the firing rate in LR trials and in SR trials. * =
854 significant difference (N=24, $p=0.82$ (FP), $p=1.1 \times 10^{-7}$ (CS), $p=0.27$ (RW), Wilcoxon
855 signed-ranks test, $\alpha < 0.05$).

856 (I) The yellow background in the figures shows the period during which the responses
857 to LR-CS and SR-CS were significantly different more than 15 ms (N=24 in affected,
858 N=16 in intact, two-sided sign test, $\alpha < 0.05$). The two panels show averaged DA
859 responses to CSs presented to the lesion-affected visual field (upper panel), and to the
860 visual field (lower panel). Arrows under each figure indicate the earliest points where
861 the LR and SR responses can be reliably discriminated for more than 50 ms (122 ms in
862 the lesion-affected visual field, and 112 ms in intact visual field).

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864 **Figure 3–Figure Supplement 1.** comparing DA responses to CSs in lesion-affected

865 and intact visual field

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868 **Figure 4.** Effect of SC inactivation on cue-responses in DA neurons.

869 (A) Activity of DA neurons before SC inactivation. Raster plots and firing rates plotted
870 in the same manner as figure 3F. These plots were aligned at FP onset, at CS onset, and
871 at RW delivery (left, middle and right panels, respectively).

872 (B) Activity of DA neurons during SC inactivation. After the SC inactivation, the
873 responses to the FP were unchanged (left), those to the LR-CS (middle) disappeared and
874 those to RW (right) increased.

875 (C) Population average of DA neuron responses (N=5) in LR trials before (green) and
876 during SC inactivation (magenta). These activities were aligned at FP onset, at CS onset
877 and at RW delivery, respectively (left, middle and right panels).

878 (D) Firing rates of DA neurons in LR trials within different time windows (100 - 300
879 ms from FP and CS or 150 - 350 ms from RW; left, middle and right panels,
880 respectively) before and during SC inactivation. These time windows are the same as
881 those in figure 3H. * = significant difference (N=5, $p=0.067$ (FP), $p=0.0025$ (CS),
882 $p=0.043$ (RW), one sample t-test, $\alpha < 0.05$).

883 (E) A schematic drawing of the experimental setup for the DA neuron recording and SC
884 inactivation. Ipsi-lesional SC was inactivated. The neural activity was recorded from the
885 ipsi-lesional SNc.

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887 **Figure 4–Figure Supplement 1.** Spike waveforms of a DA neuron during a daily
888 session.

889 **Figure 4–Figure Supplement 2.** firing rate of responses to SR-CS

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891 **Figure 1–Figure Supplement 1.** Unilateral V1 lesion.

892 (A) Locations of the V1 are shown as red area on the horizontal section traces of
893 monkey K.

894 (B) Traces of horizontal sections of the three monkeys' brain from their MR images.
895 Their lesion areas are indicated by gray areas on the traces. Right V1 was lesioned in
896 monkey K and U, whereas left V1 was lesioned in monkey T.

897 (C) Deficit maps for the three monkeys (K, U and T). Thresholds for detecting
898 luminance contrast (Michelson contrast) are plotted over the whole visual field in each
899 monkey with unilateral V1 lesion. The thresholds at individual target positions are
900 displayed with a gray scale. Their sensitivity to luminance contrast was clearly reduced
901 in the lesion-affected visual field.

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903 **Figure 1–Figure Supplement 2.** Pavlovian conditioning in monkey U.

904 Monkey U also provided a confirmatory dataset in the Pavlovian conditioning task.

905 Arrangement of these figures was the same as Fig. 1C and F.

906 (A) Licking rates aligned at the CS onset (monkey U). CSs were presented to intact

907 visual field (left panel) and to lesion-affected visual field (right panel). Red and blue

908 lines indicate licking rates during LR and SR trials, respectively. Gray hatched area

909 indicates CS presentation period. Red and blue vertical dashed lines indicate time of

910 reward delivery in the LR and SR trials, respectively.

911 (B) Reversal learning; the effect of switching the CS assignment on licking rates in the

912 intact and affected fields in monkey U. Licking rates during CS presentation to upper

913 (magenta) or lower (green) visual field were plotted for individual days. CS positions

914 were switched on the day indicated by the vertical red dashed lines.

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916 **Figure 2–Figure Supplement 1.** Effect of SC inactivation on conditioned behavior in
917 monkey K.

918 Licking rates in a daily session before (left panel) and after SC inactivation (right panel)
919 in monkey K. Monkey K also provided a confirmatory dataset in the Pavlovian
920 conditioning task before (left panel) and during (right panel) the SC inactivation.

921 Arrangement of these figures was the same as Fig. 2C. Red and blue lines indicate the
922 licking rates during the LR and SR trials, respectively. Gray hatched area indicates the
923 CS presentation period.

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925 **Figure 3–Figure Supplement 1.** comparing DA responses to CSs in lesion-affected
926 and intact visual field

927 These figures show firing rate of DA response to CS presented into lesion-affected and
928 into intact visual field. Responses to LR-CS were compared in A, and to SR-CS were
929 in B. Time windows size to calculate the firing rate was 100 - 300 ms from CS onset.

930 In both cases, there are no significant difference (N=16, $p=0.958$ (LR-CS), $p=0.796$
931 (SR-CS), one sample t-test, $\alpha < 0.05$).

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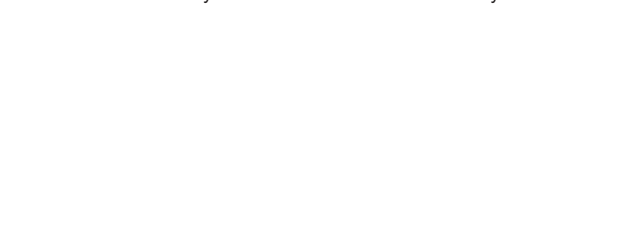
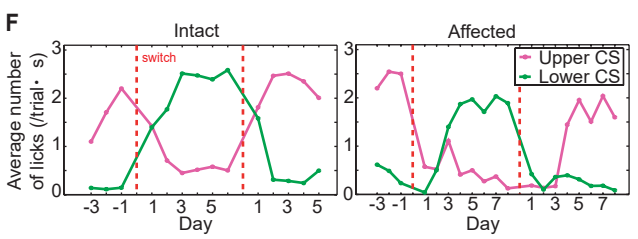
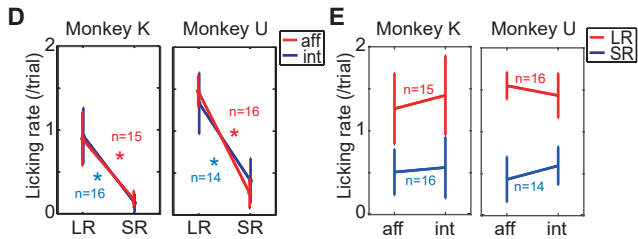
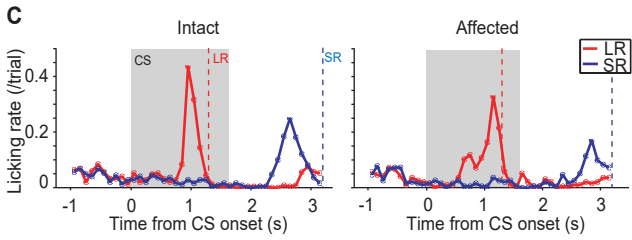
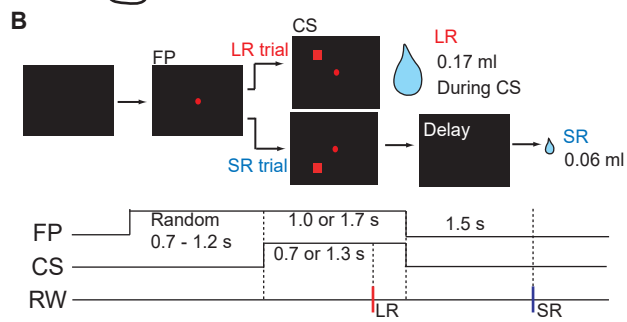
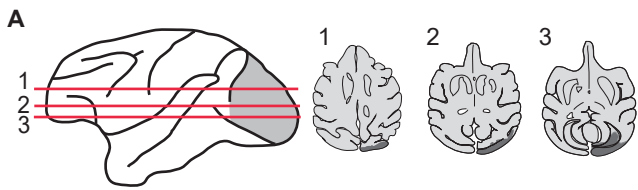
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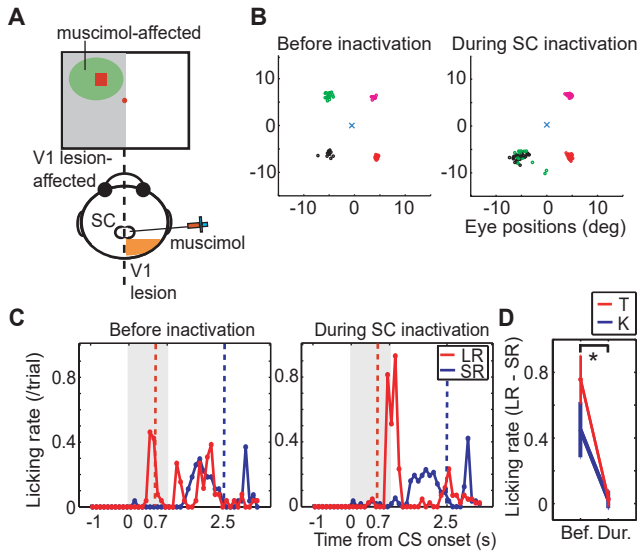
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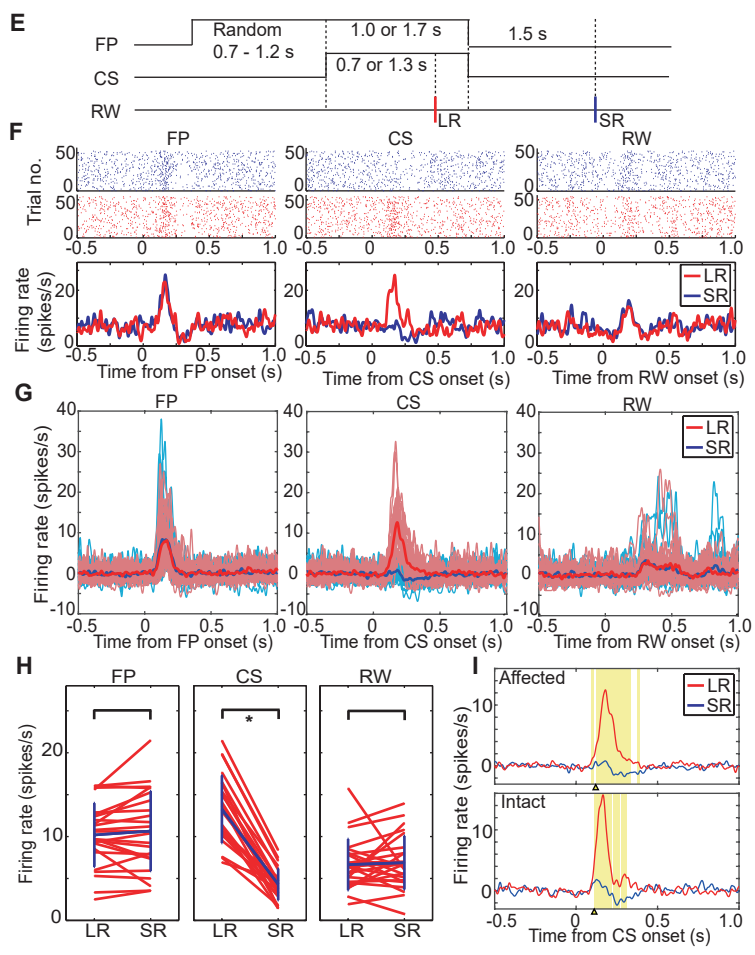
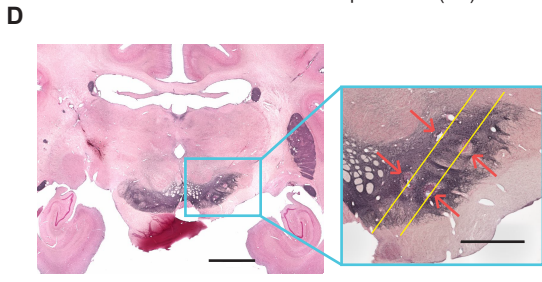
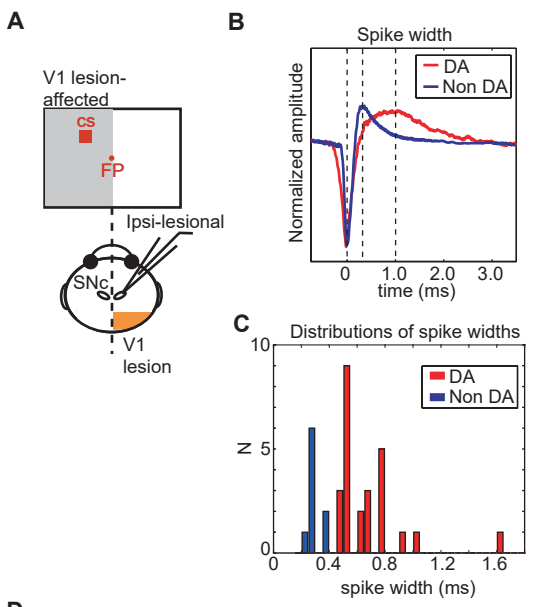
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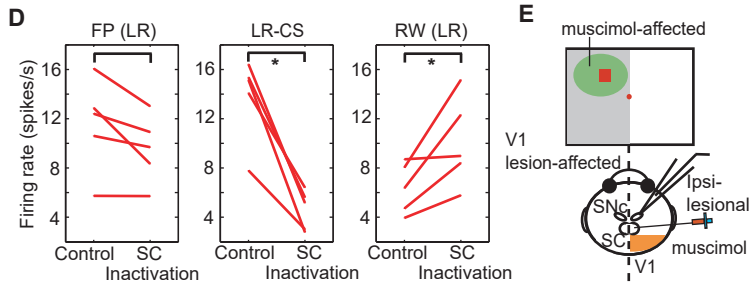
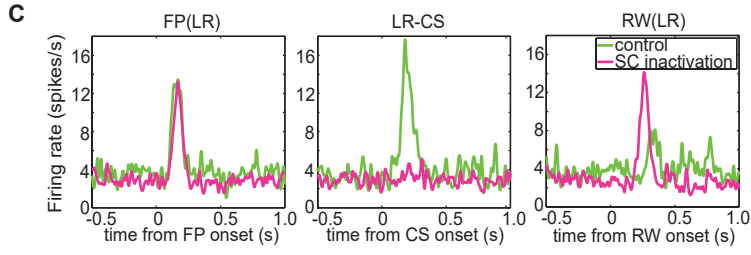
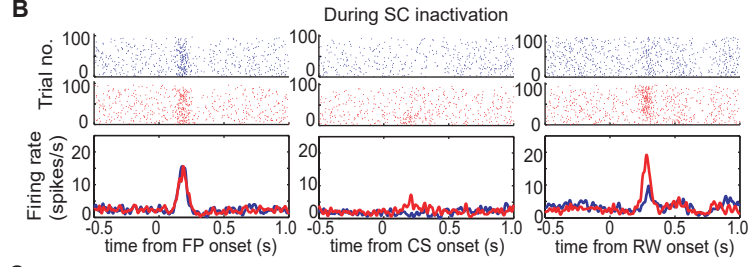
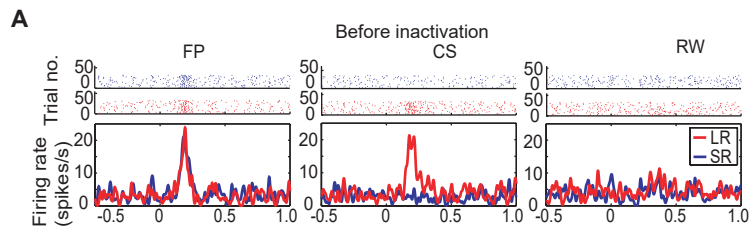
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943 (A) and difference of firing rate between responses to LR-CS and to SR-CS during the
944 SC inactivation (time windows: 100 - 300 ms from CS onset). In both cases, there are
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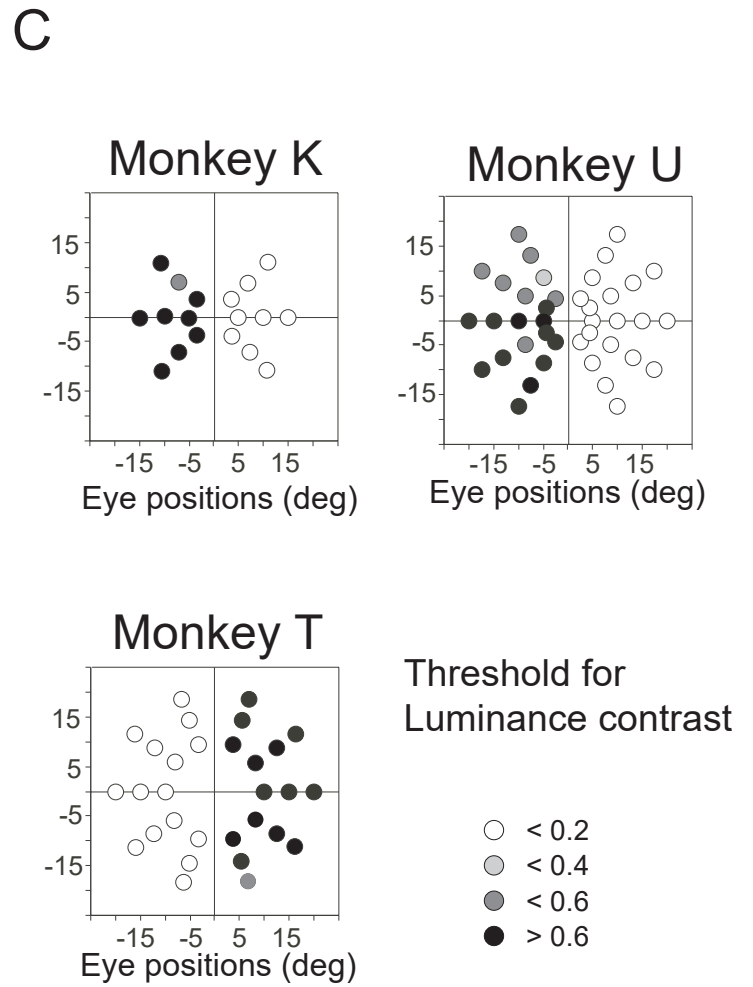
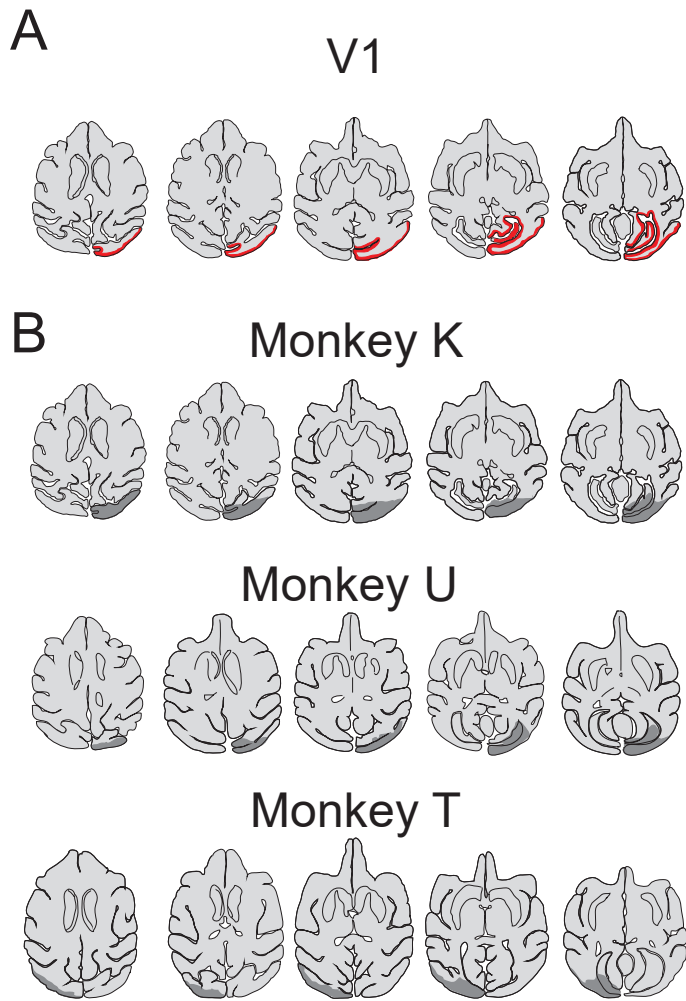
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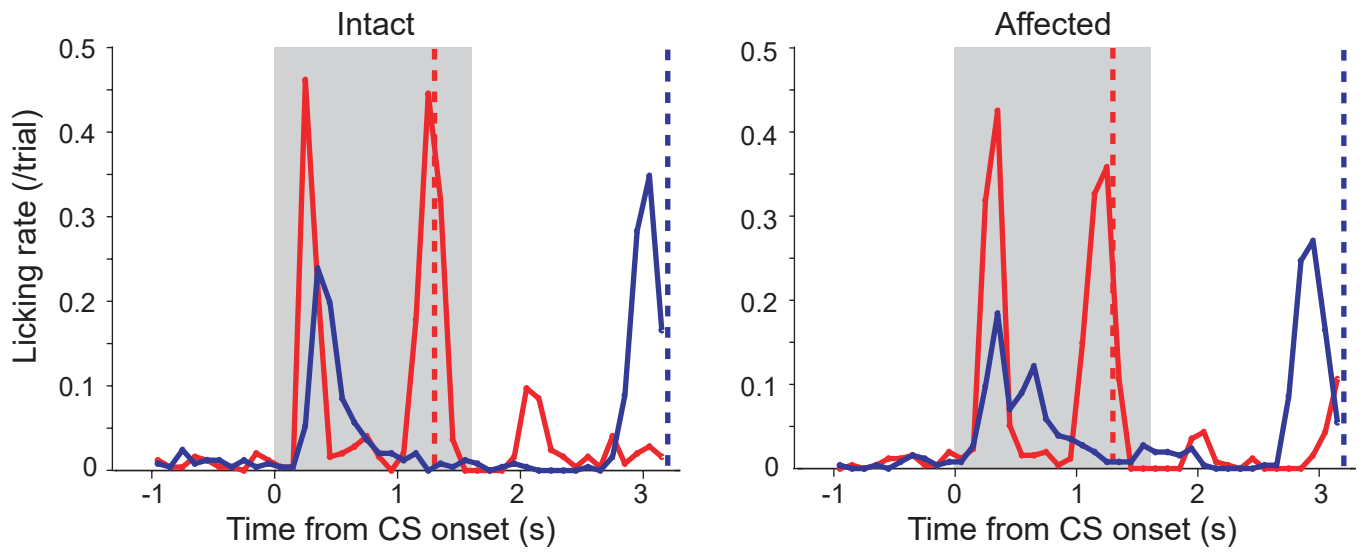
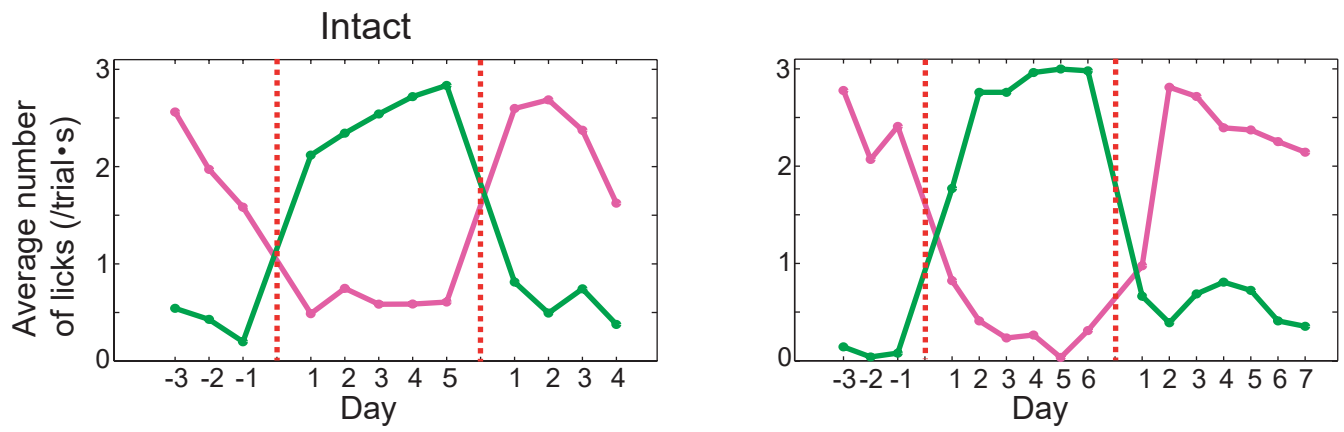




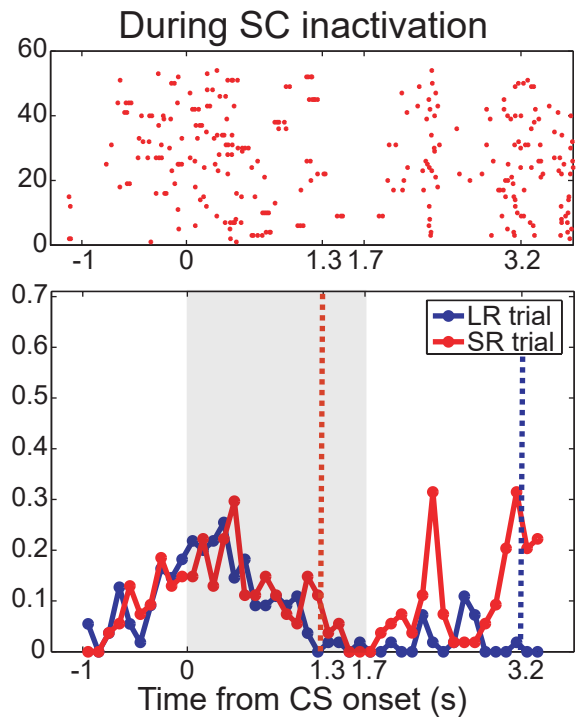
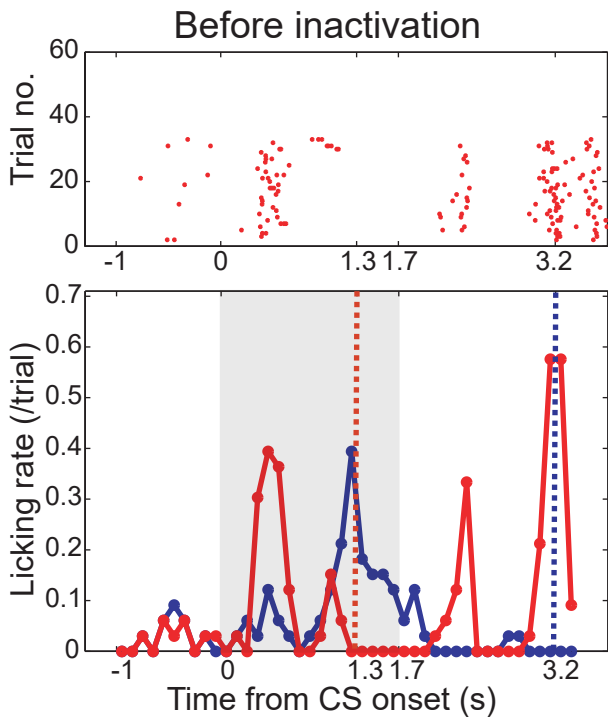


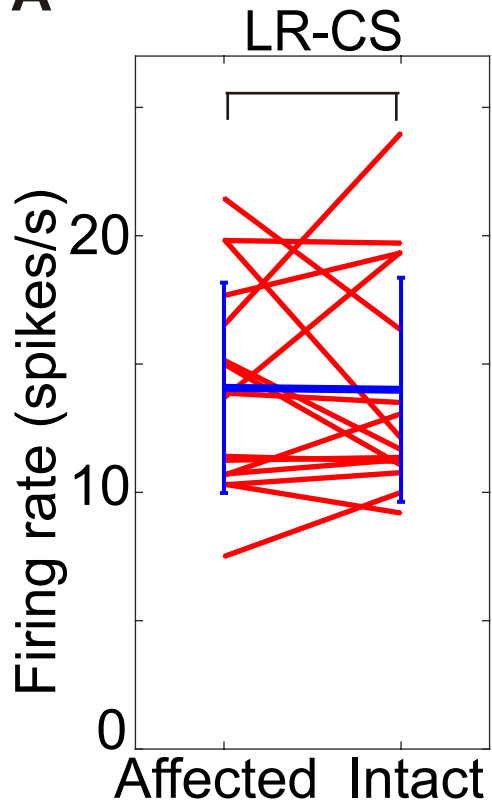




A**Monkey U****B**

Monkey K



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