

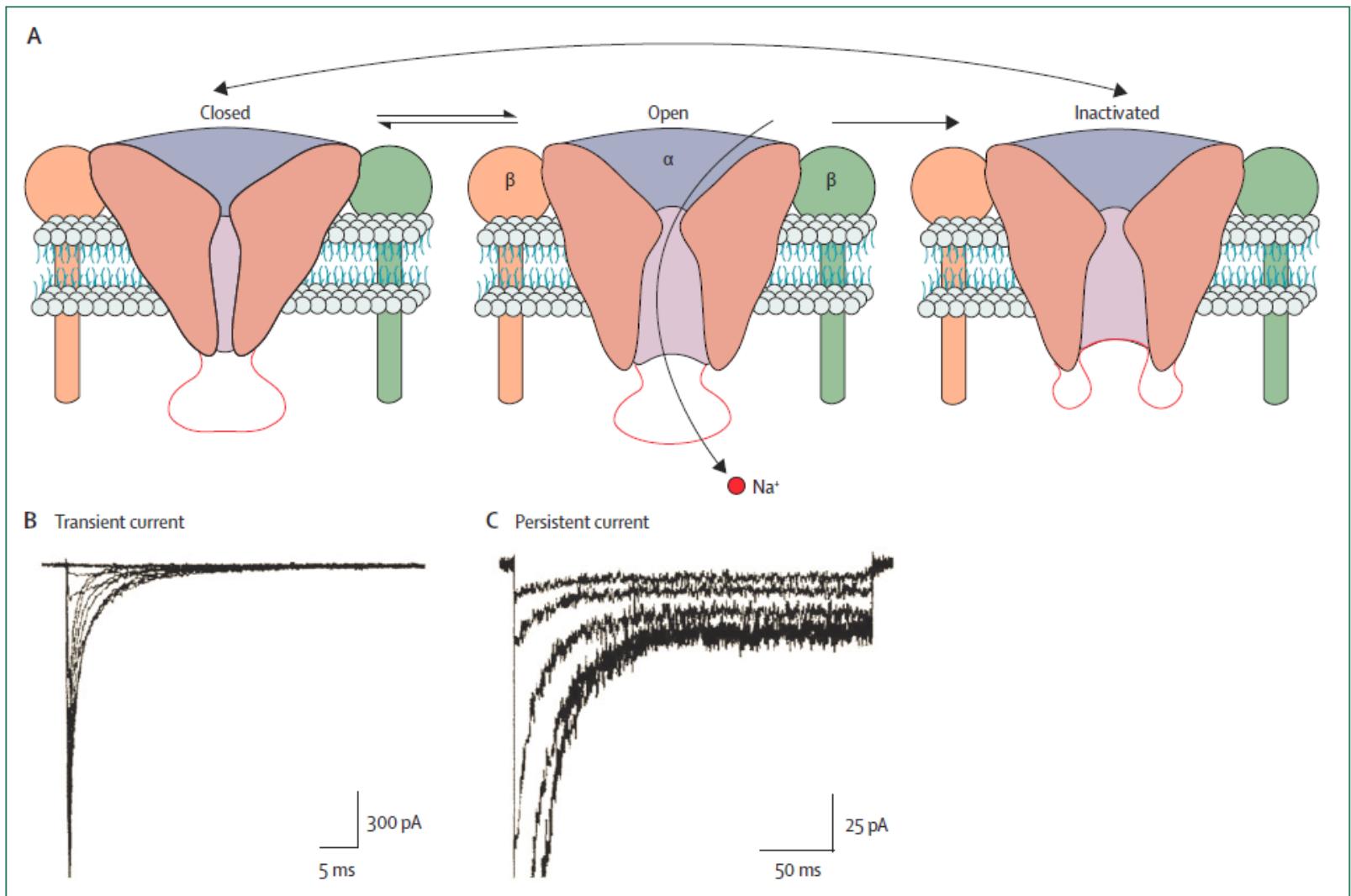
# **Lezione sull'Eccitabilità Neuronale**

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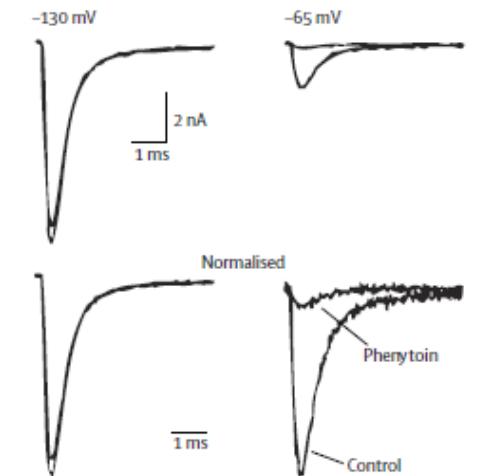
# Intrinsic currents

# Voltage-gated sodium currents

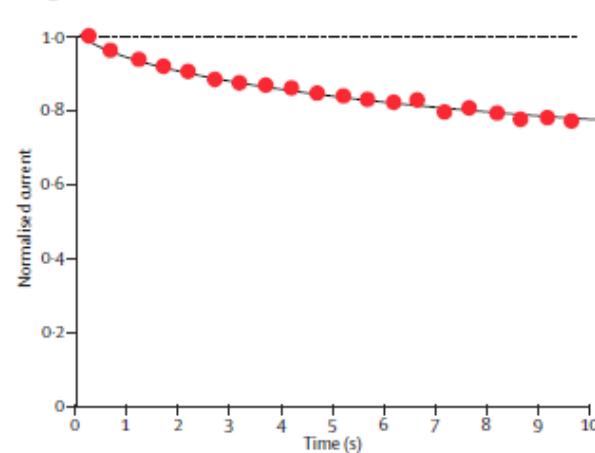


# Voltage-gated sodium currents and AEDs

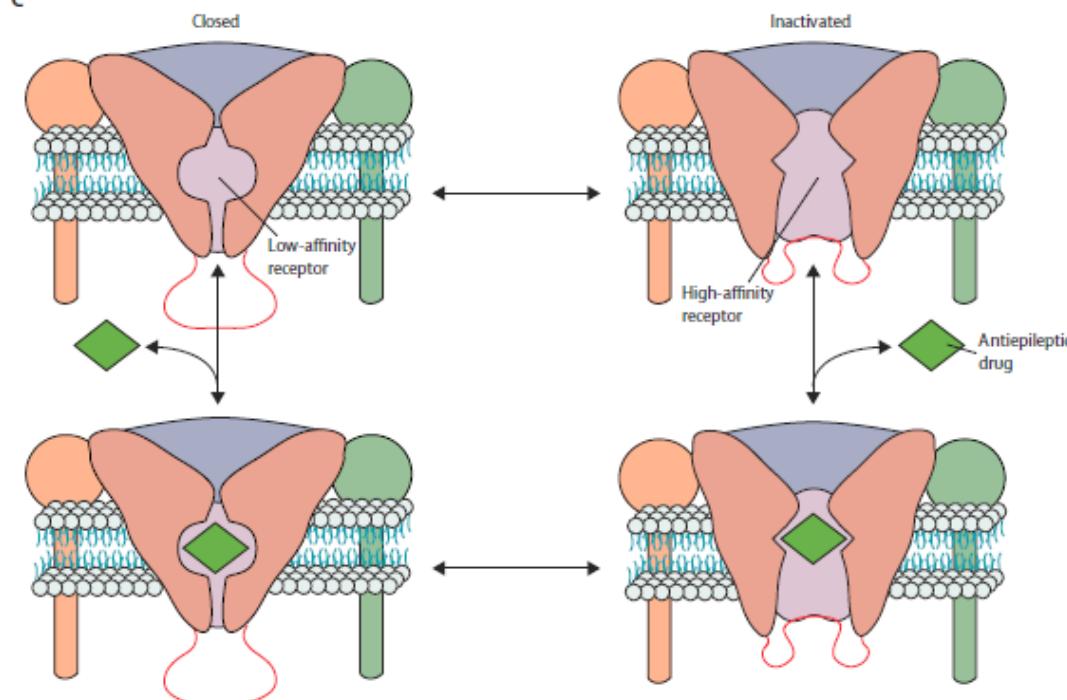
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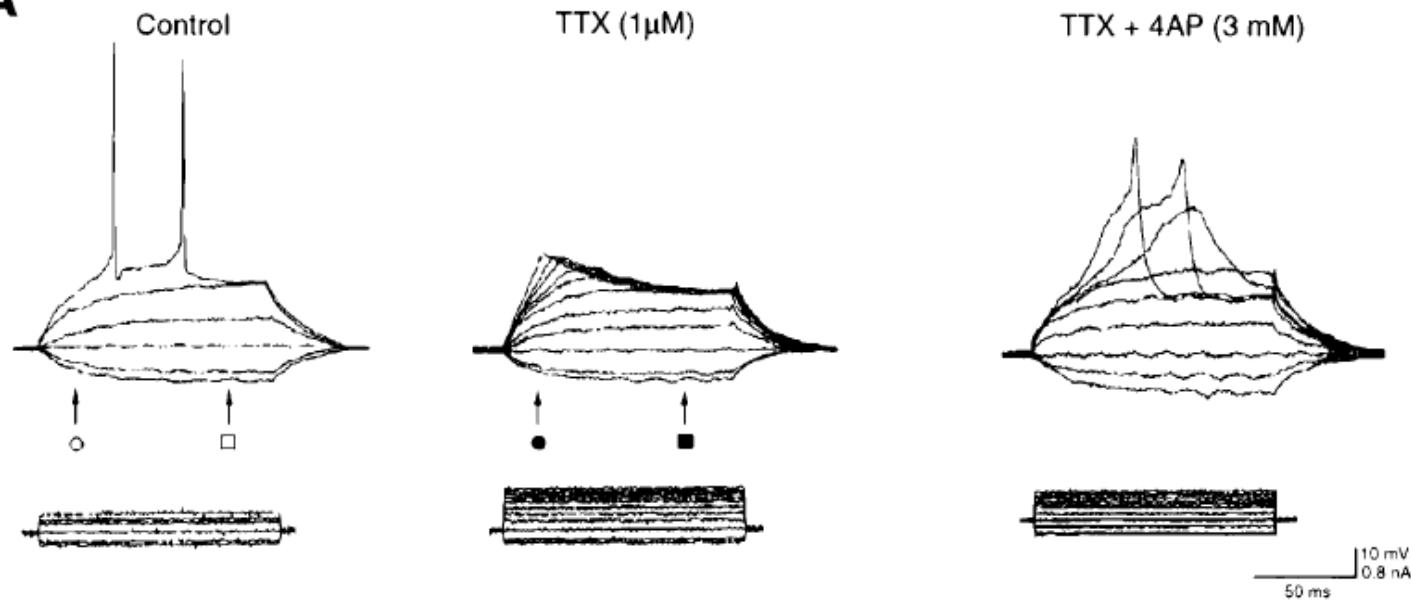


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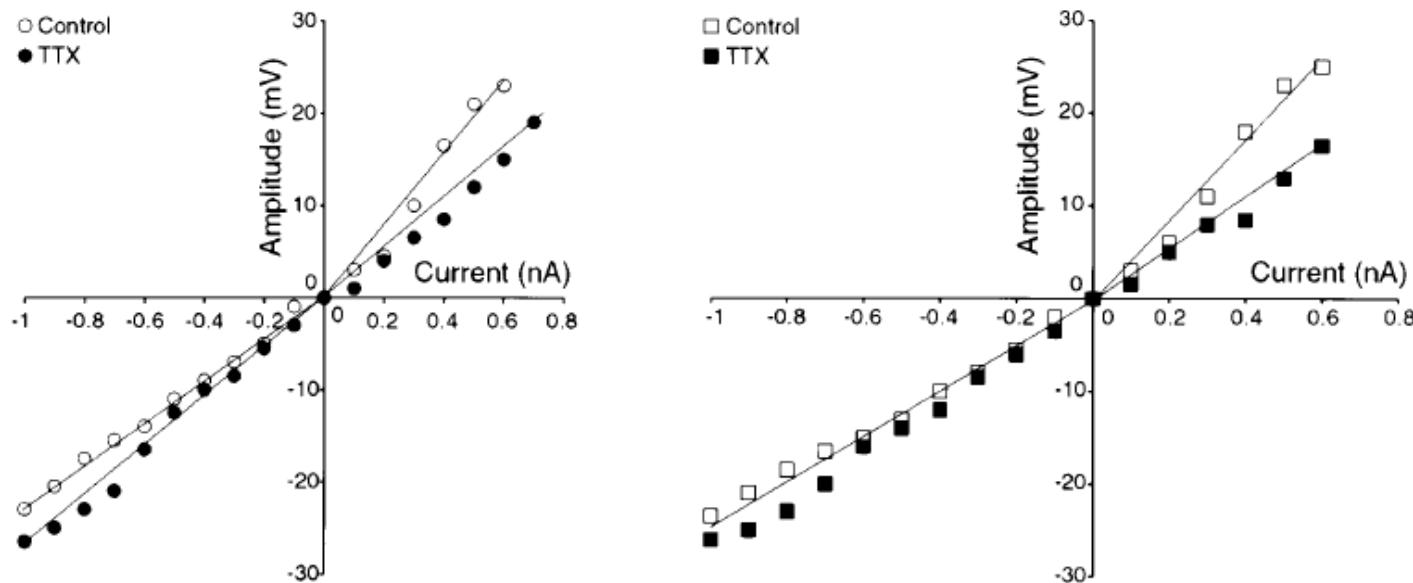


# Voltage-gated currents make the non-ohmic behavior

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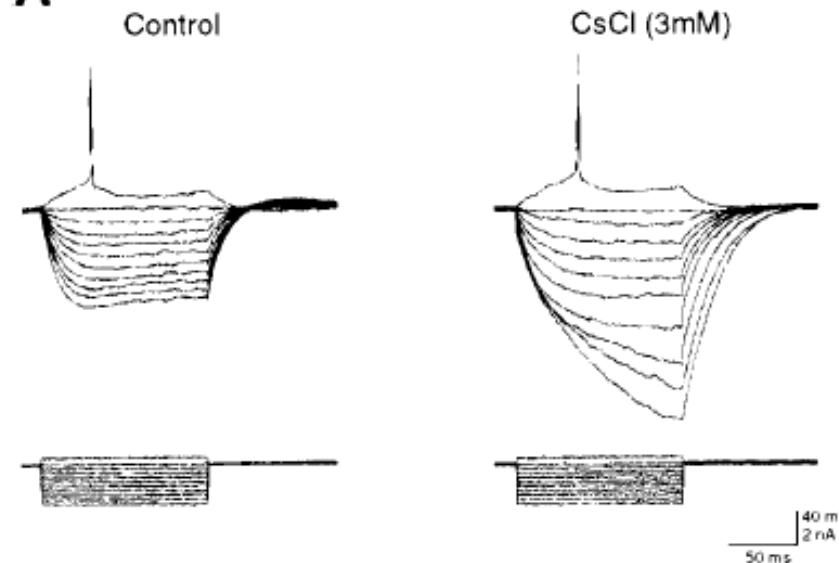


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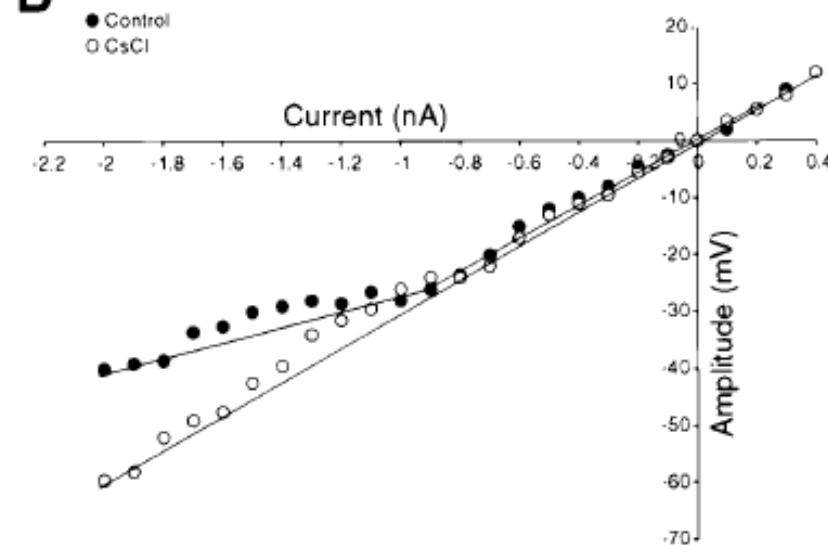


# The $I_h$ voltage-gated current

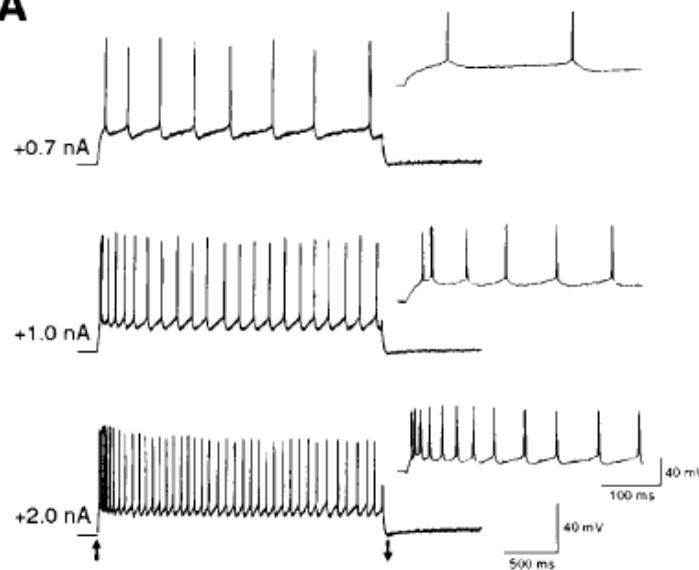
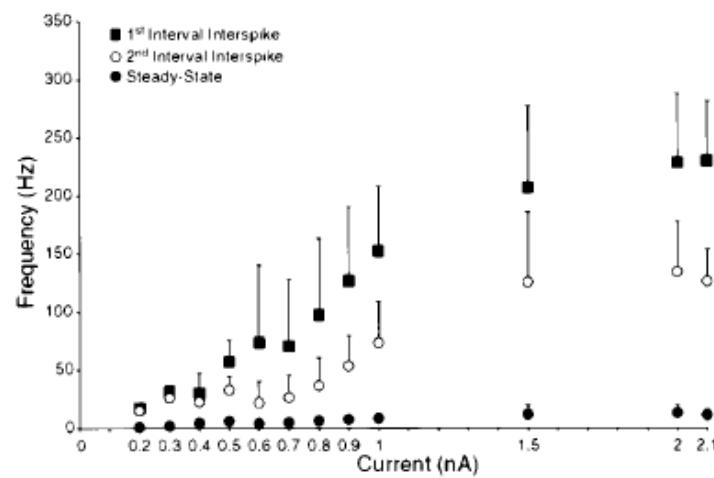
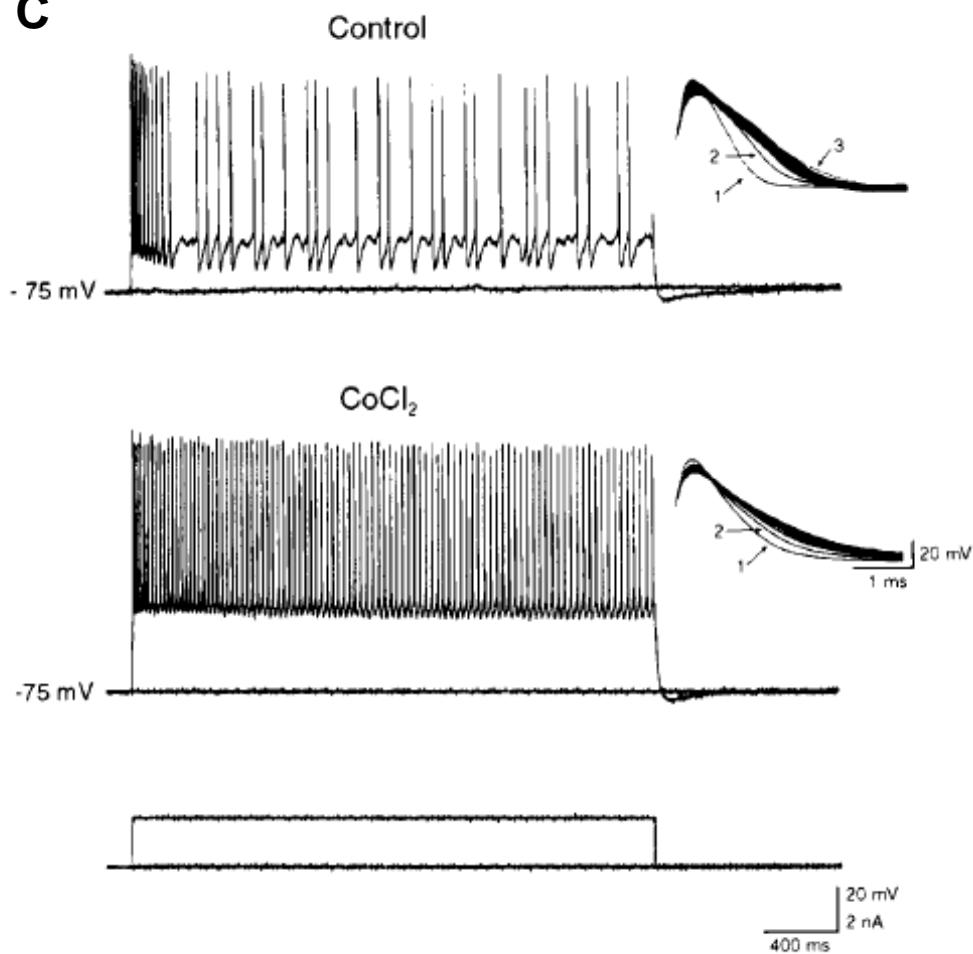
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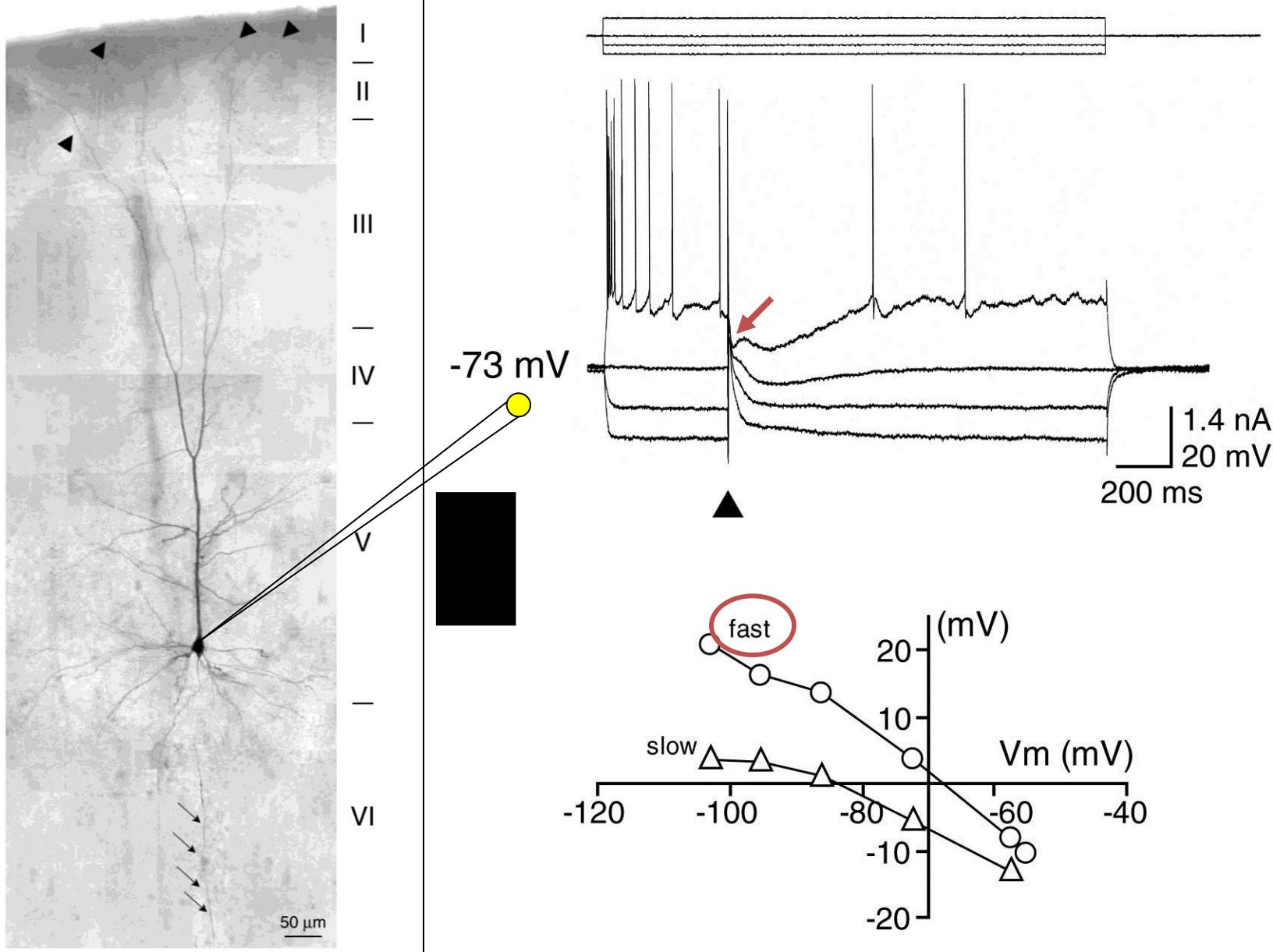


# Repetitive firing and AHPs

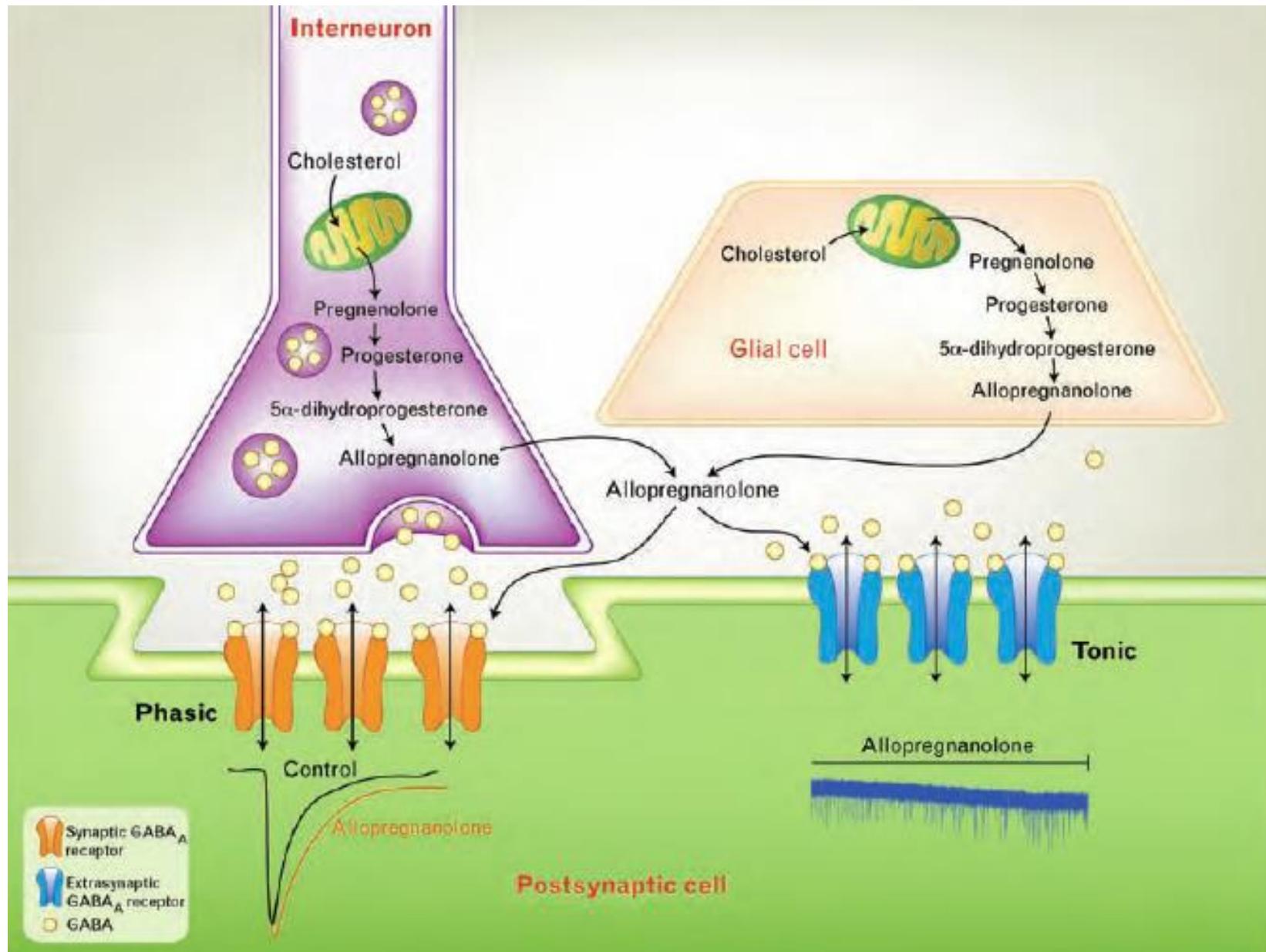
**A****B****C**

# **GABA<sub>A</sub> receptor signaling**

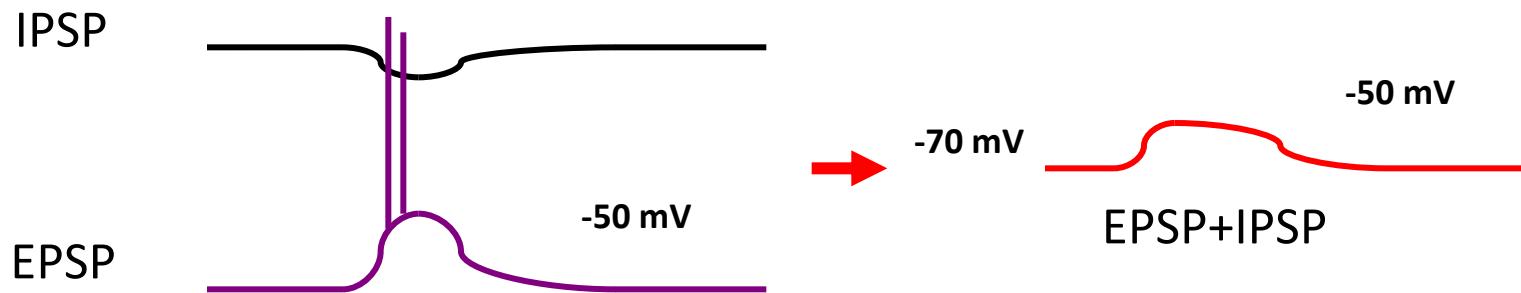
# GABA AS AN INHIBITORY TRANSMITTER (a)



# GABA AS AN INHIBITORY TRANSMITTER (b)



# GABA AS AN INHIBITORY TRANSMITTER (c)



Inhibition = hyperpolarizing “clamp” + shunting action

Shunting action

$$V = I \cdot R$$

GABAa Cl<sup>-</sup> increased conductance



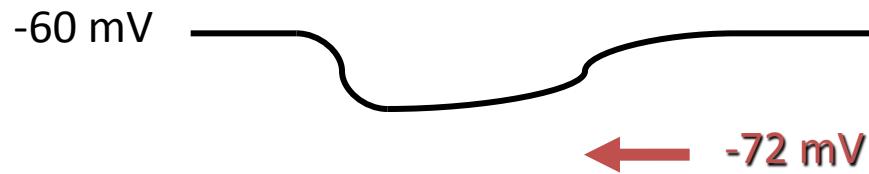
$$V = I \cdot R$$



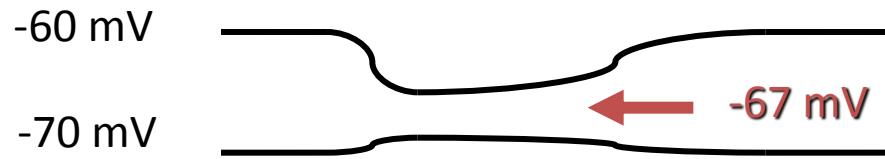
$$v = I \cdot R$$

# GABA AS AN INHIBITORY TRANSMITTER (d)

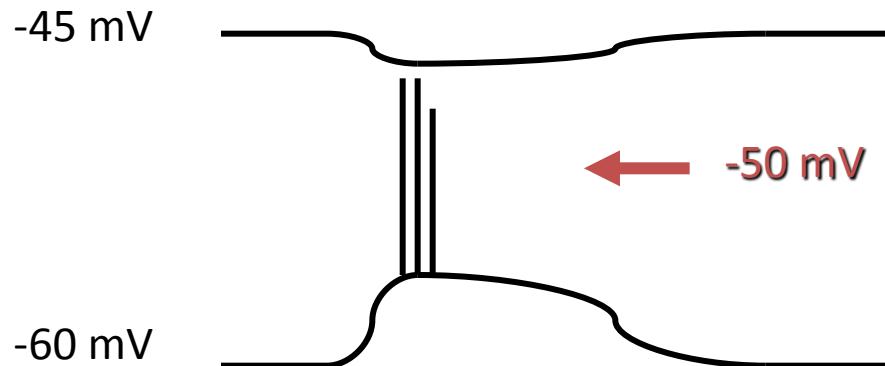
$[Cl]_i < [Cl]_o$



$[Cl]_i < [Cl]_o$

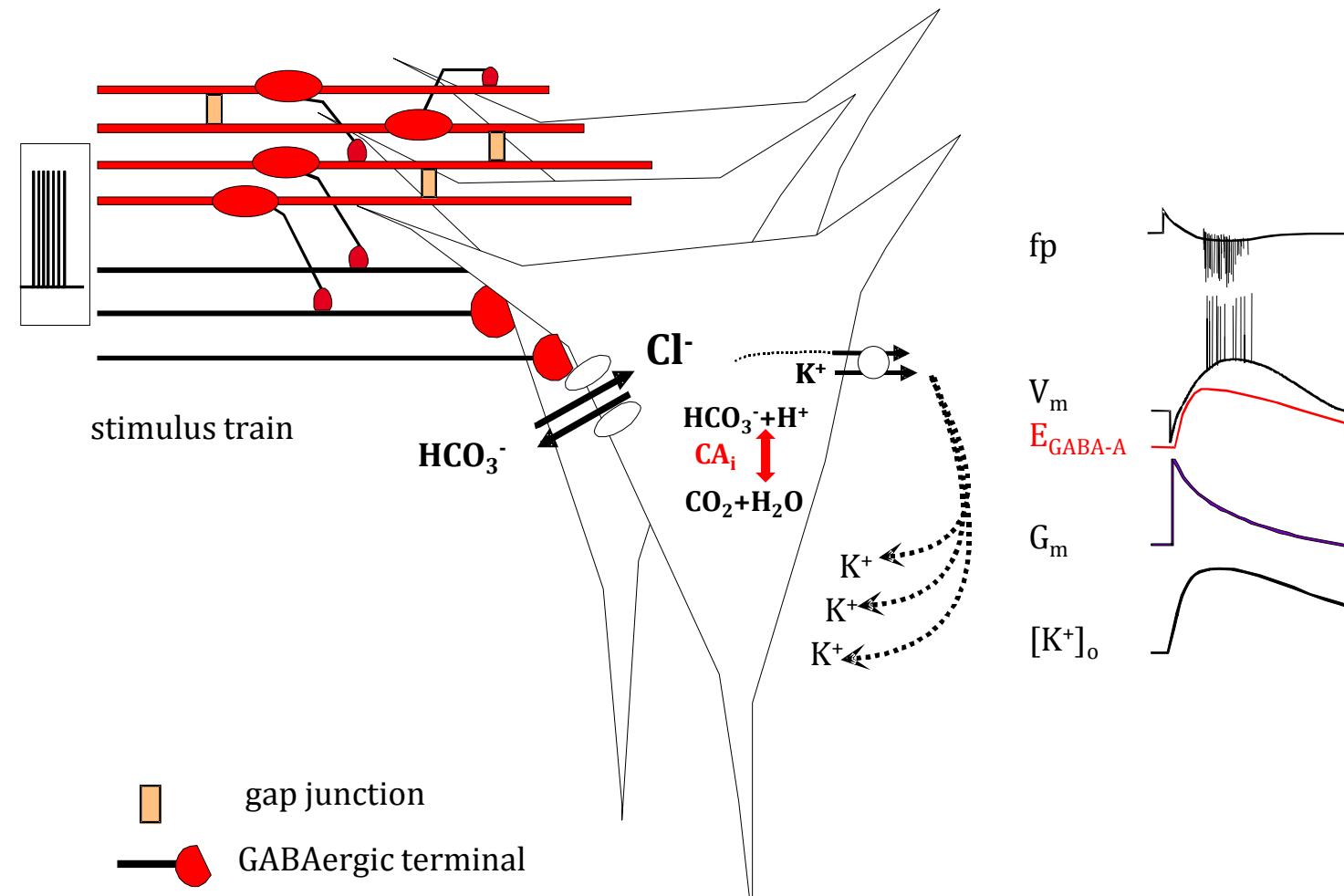


$[Cl]_i \uparrow$  or  $[Cl]_o \downarrow$



# GABA AS AN INHIBITORY TRANSMITTER (e)

## Chloride homestasis and extracellular potassium

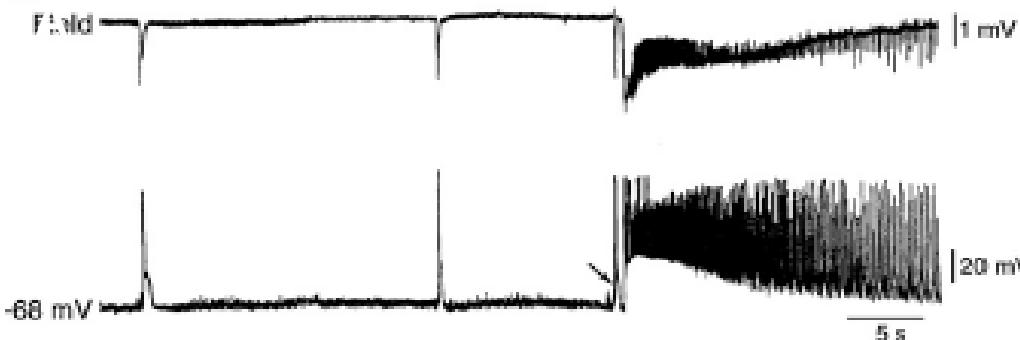


Viitanen, Ruusuvuori, Kaila, Voipio, 2010

# GABA AS AN INHIBITORY TRANSMITTER (f)

GABA mediated increases in extracellular potassium as ictogenic determinants

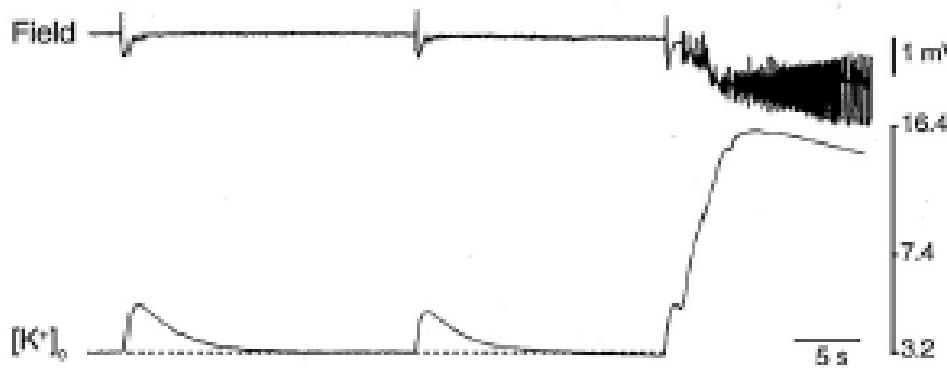
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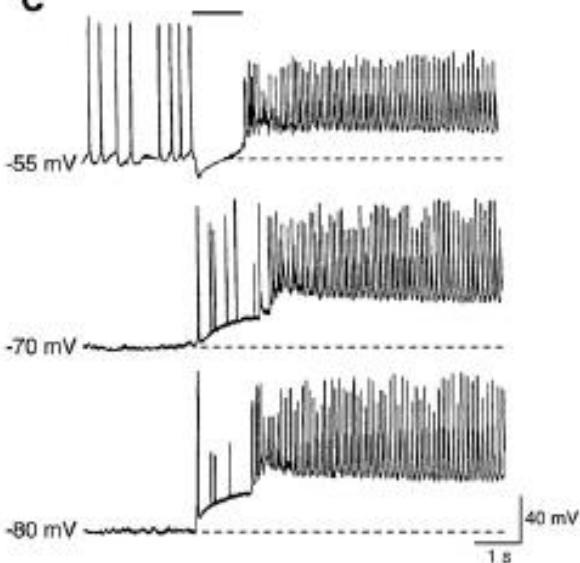
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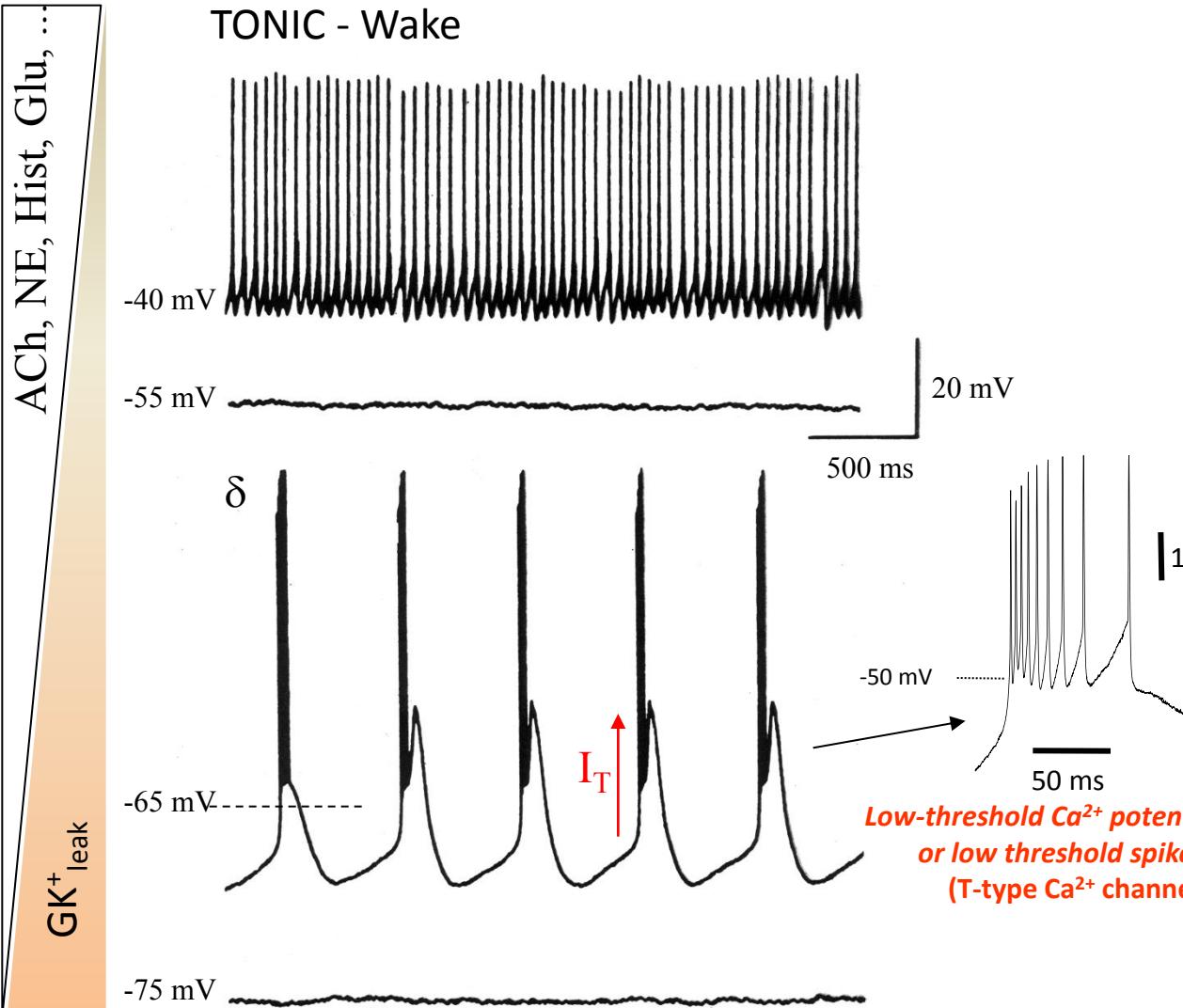
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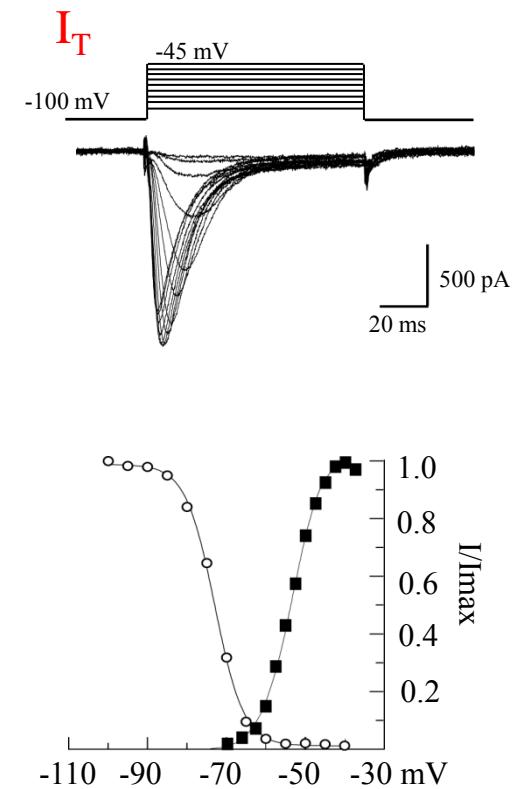
# **Brain oscillations**

# 'Classical' cellular physiology of thalamocortical (TC) neurons

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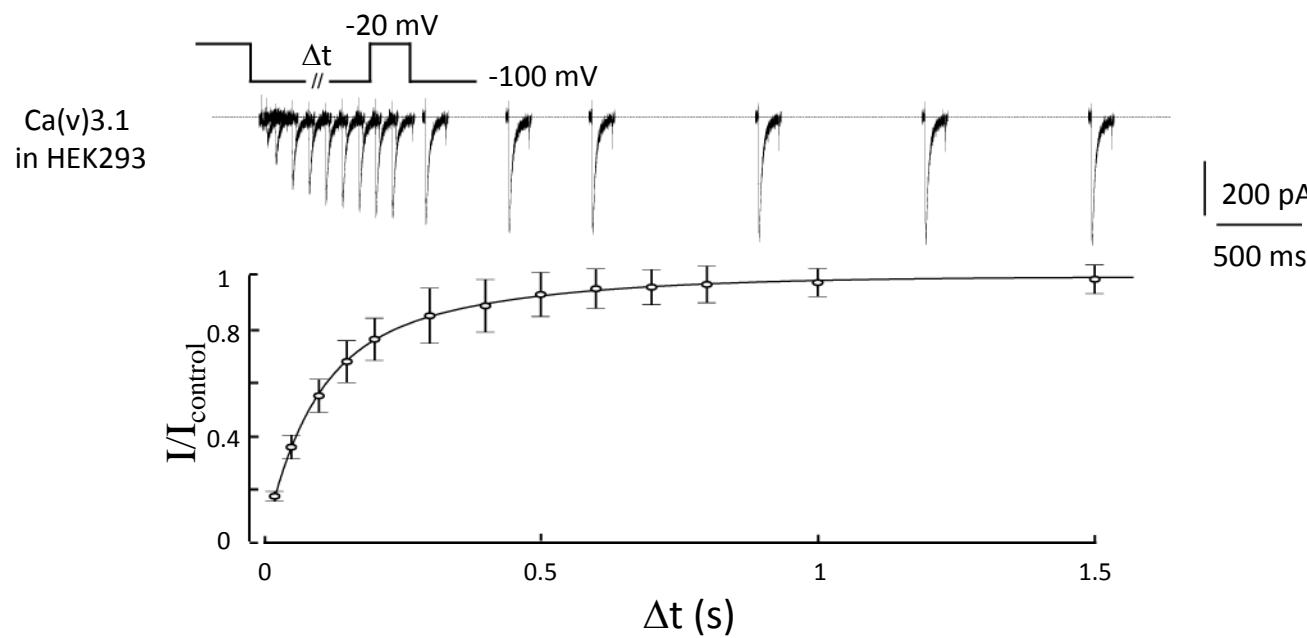
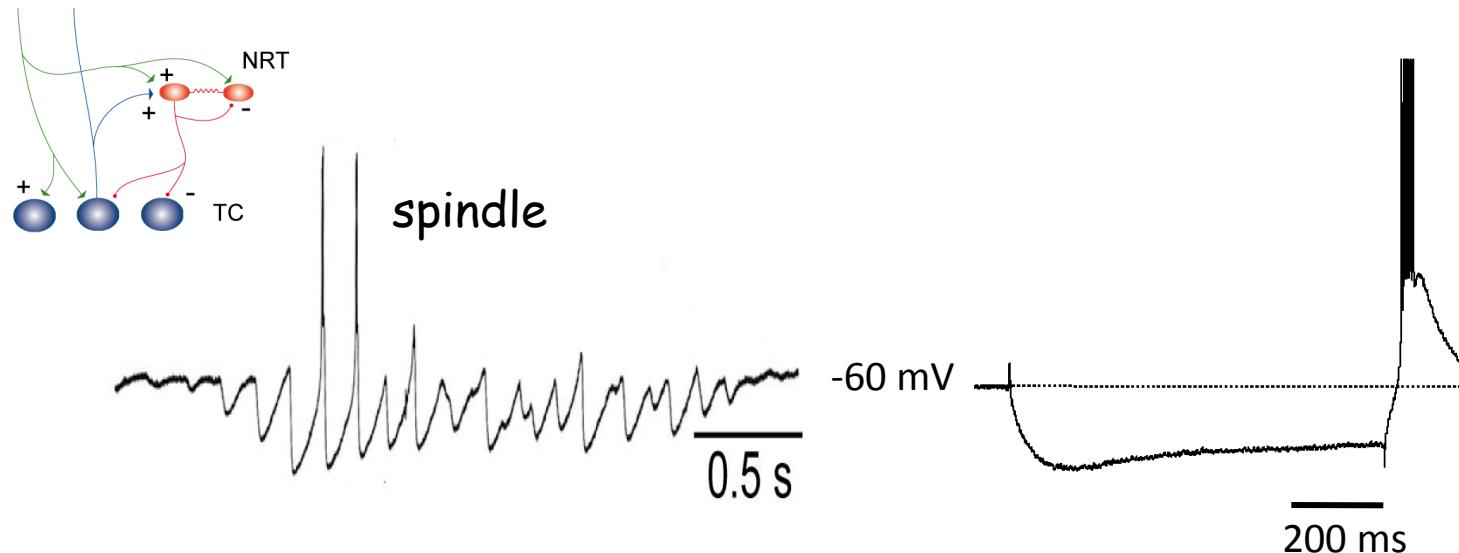


*Low-threshold  $Ca^{2+}$  potential (LTCP)  
or low threshold spike (LTS)  
(T-type  $Ca^{2+}$  channels)*



# 'Classical' cellular physiology of thalamocortical (TC) neurons

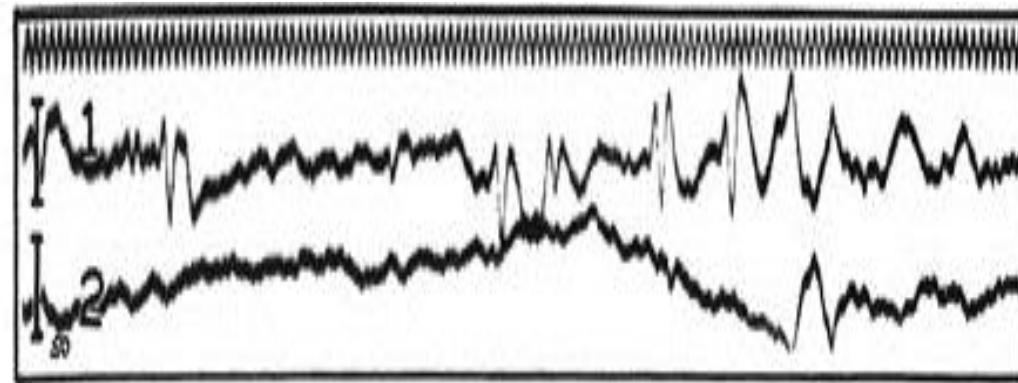
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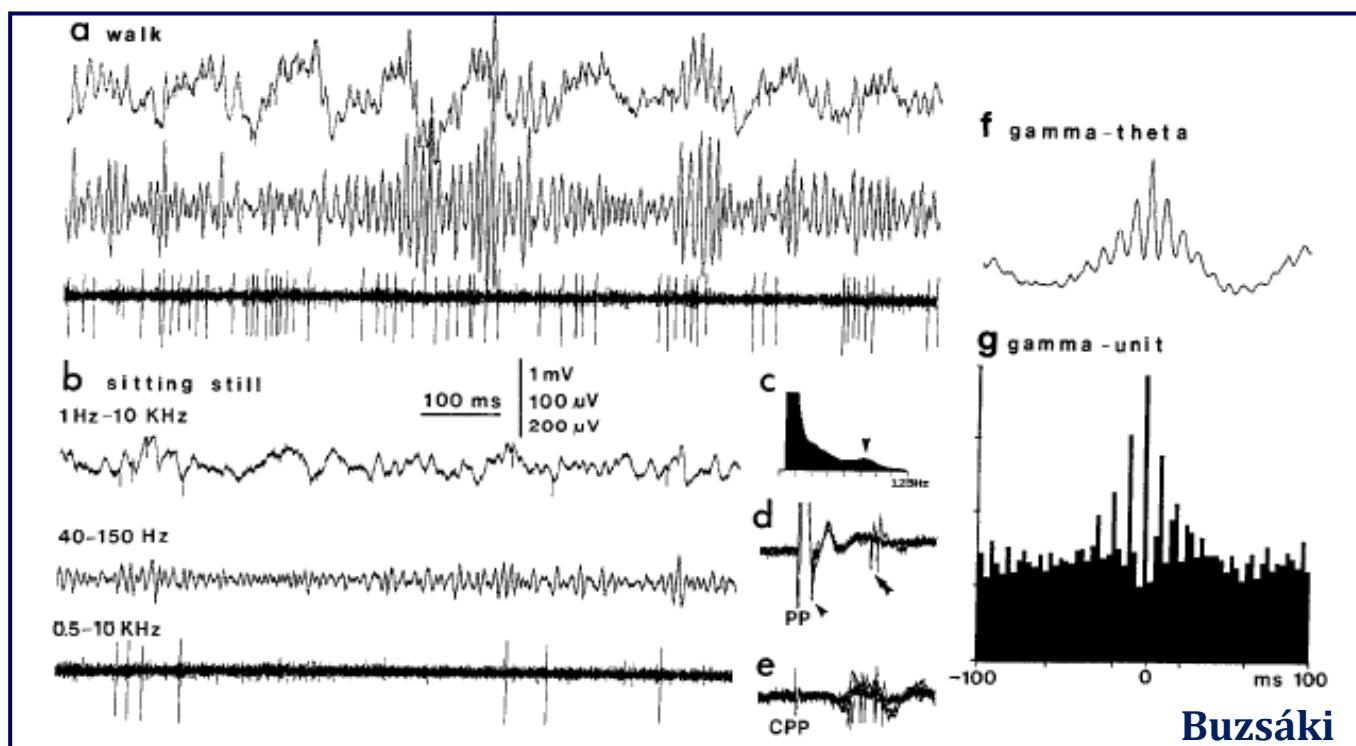
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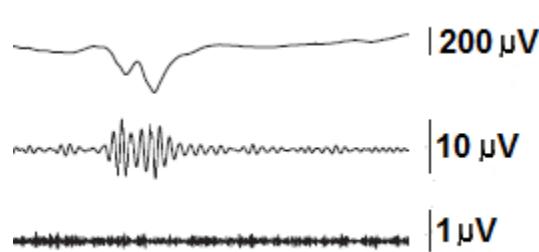
*H.H. Jasper,*



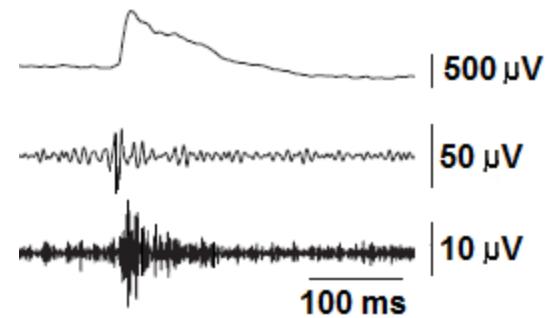
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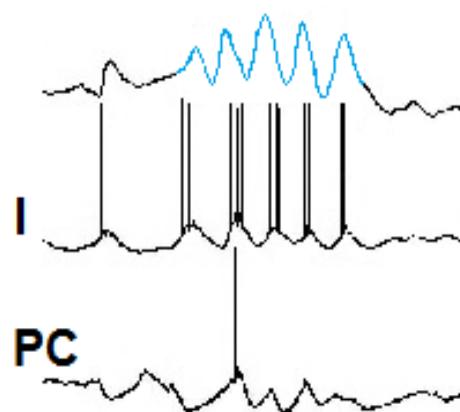
**HFO between 80-200 Hz  
(Ripples)**



**HFO between 250-500 Hz  
(Fast ripples)**



**Ripple**



**Fast ripple**

Bragin, Buzsáki, de Curtis, Engle, Gotman, Jacobs , Jefferys, Kahane, Le Van Quen, Lopes da Silva, Menendez de la Prida, Navarro, Staba, Staley, Timofeev, Traub, Wendling, .....  
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