

# Anatomy of the Cerebral Hemispheres CNS Block 



## Objectives

List the parts of the cerebral hemisphere (cortex, medulla, basal nuclei, lateral ventricle).

Describe the subdivision of cerebral hemisphere (Lobes).

List the important sulci and gyri of each lobe.

Describe different types of fibers in cerebral medulla (association, projection and commissural) and give example of each type.

## Cerebrum

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The cerebrum is the largest part of the forebrain, which is divided into two halves:

Both cerebral hemispheres are separated by a deep median longitudinal fissure which lodges the falx cerebri (layer of Dura).



In the depth of the median longitudinal fissure, the hemispheres are connected by a bundle of fibers called the corpus callosum.

## Structures of the Cerebrum

Superficial layer of grey matter.

Medulla (White matter)

Deeper to the cortex, contains axons to and from the cells of the cortex.解

Basal Ganglia

Number of nuclear masses buried within the white matter.

## Cerebrum

## Surfaces of the Cerebrum

## Lobes of the Cerebrum



The superficial layer of grey matter is highly convoluted to form a complex pattern of ridges (gyri) and grooves (sulci); This arrangement maximize the surface area of the cerebral cortex (about $70 \%$ is hidden within the depths of sulci).

Three sulci, consistent in position, named as: central, lateral (sylvian) \& parieto-occipital (is barely seen).

These sulci divide each hemisphere into FOUR lobes: Frontal, Parietal, Temporal \& Occipital (named after overlying bones).

Functionally each hemisphere contains a limbic lobe on the medial surface.

## Main Gyri on Superolateral Surface

Frontal Lobe

Gyrus:


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## Sulcus:

Intraparietal Sulcus divide the lobe into
Superior Parietal Lobule Inferior Parietal Lobule

## Main Gyri on Superolateral Surface

## Temporal Lobe

Insula:
The gyrus in the depth of lateral sulcus, covered by parts of frontal, parietal \& temporal lobes called the opercula
(opercula is marked from the outside to determine the Insula's location in the inside).

## Sulcus:

Superior temporal sulcus Inferior temporal sulcus giving rise to Superior temporal gyrus Middle temporal gyrus Inferior temporal gyrus

Sulci: Parieto-occipital, Calcarine, Cingulate. Gyri: Cingulate, Parahippocampal.

## Central sulcus



## Functions of Lobes of Cerebrum

Frontal Lobe
1-Motor function.
2-Motivation.
3-Aggression.
4-Smell.
5-Mood.

Temporal Lobe
1-Smell.
2-Hearing.
3-Memory.
4-Abstract thought.


Reception and evaluation of sensory information.

## Occipital Lobe

Visual processing.

## Limbic Lobe

1- Emotions
2- Memory storage.
3- Linking conscious intellectual functions with the unconscious autonomic functions.

## Brodmann's Map of Cerebrum

Brodmann produced a numbered, cytological map of cerebral cortex based upon its regional histological characteristics.


Subdivisions with similar cellular and laminar structure are called 'areas'.

Brodmann's numbering of these cortical locations has become one of the standard ways to identify brain areas.

## Functional Areas of the Cerebral Cortex

## Frontal Lobe

Premotor Cortex
Located in the region immediately anterior to the precentral gyrus (Brodmann's area 6).

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& \text { Supplementary } \\
& \text { Motor Cortex }
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Primary Motor Cortex

Located in precentral gyrus (Brodmann area 4).

Extensive region of the
frontal lobe anterior to
Extensive region of the
frontal lobe anterior to premotor area.

Prefrontal Cortex

## Functional Areas of the Cerebral Cortex

## Parietal Lobe

Primary Somatosensory Cortex

Located in postcentral gyrus (Brodmann's area 1, 2, 3).

## Central Sulcus

Parietal Association Cortex

Located posterior to primary somatosensory cortex.

## Occipital Lobe



# Functional Areas of the Cerebral Cortex 

## Temporal Lobe



Located in the superior surface of the superior temporal gyrus
(Brodmann's area 41, 42).

Primary Auditory Cortex

## Parahippocampal Gyrus

Located in the inferomedial part of temporal lobe.
Deep to this gyrus lies the hippocampus and the amygdala, which are parts of limbic system.


## Functional Areas of the Cerebral Cortex

## Homunculus



The word "homunculus" means little man in Latin. But in neuroanatomy, the cortical homunculus represents either the motor or the sensory distribution along the cerebral cortex of the brain.

## Language Areas

- Organized around the lateral Sulcus


## Broca's Area

Angular Gyrus \&

Concerned with expressive aspects of language.

## Wernicke's Area

Responsible for comprehension of the spoken words.

## Dominance and White Matter

# Hemispheric Dominance 

The localization of Speech centers \& Mathematical ability is the criterion for defining the dominant cerebral hemisphere.

In $96 \%$ of normal right-handed individuals and $70 \%$ of normal left-handed individuals, the Left hemisphere contains the language centers. These are Left Hemisphere Dominant.

## Left and Right Brain Functions



In $96 \%$ of normal right-handed Cerebral dominance becomes established during the first few years after birth. Hemispheres communicate via the corpus callosum.

## White Matter of the Cerebrum

Underlies the cortex, contains nerve fibers, neuroglia cells and blood vessels.
The nerve fibers originate, terminate or sometimes both, within the cortex.
Depending on their origin \& termination, these nerve fibers are classified into three types: Association, Projection \& Commissural.

Association fibers
Unite different parts of the same hemisphere, and they are of two types: long \& short.

## Projection fibers

Consist of afferent and efferent fibers of the cerebral cortex. Best example for Projection fibers is the Internal Capsule.


Commissural fibers
Connect the corresponding regions of the two hemispheres.

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## MCQs

Q1. Which type of nerve fiber connect corresponding regions of different hemisphere?

| A. Association | B. Commissural | C. Projection | D. Corpus callosum |
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Q2. Which of the following is not one of the surfaces of the cerebrum ?
A. Superolateral
B. Medial
C. Posterior
D. Inferior

Q3. Brodmann's area 44,45 is related to?

| A. Primary auditory cortex | B. Primary somatosensory cortex | C. Broca's area | D. Primary visual cortex |
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Q4. Primary somatosensory cortex is located in?

| A. Occipital lobe | B. Temporal lobe | C. Parietal lobe | D. Frontal lobe |
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| Q5. The cerebrum functions in all of the following EXCEPT: |  |  |  |
| A. Involuntary movement of arms | B. Voluntary movement of eyes | C. Contributes to making you who you are | D. Ability to feel sensations |
| Q6. Which lobe of cerebral cortex links conscious intellectual functions with unconscious autonomic functions. |  |  |  |
| A. Temporal lobe | B. Limbic lobe | C. Parietal lobe | D. Frontal lobe |

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