



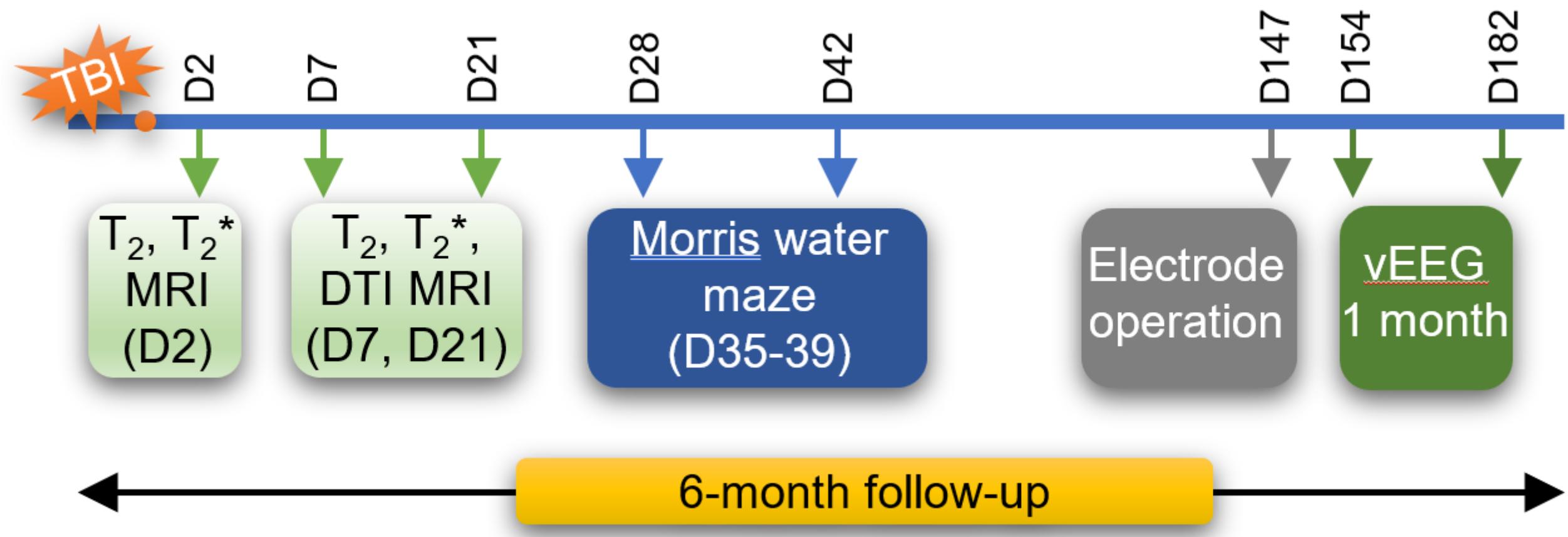
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# **Quantitative MRI biomarkers of post-traumatic epilepsy and cognitive impairment after lateral fluidpercussion injury**

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# Study design





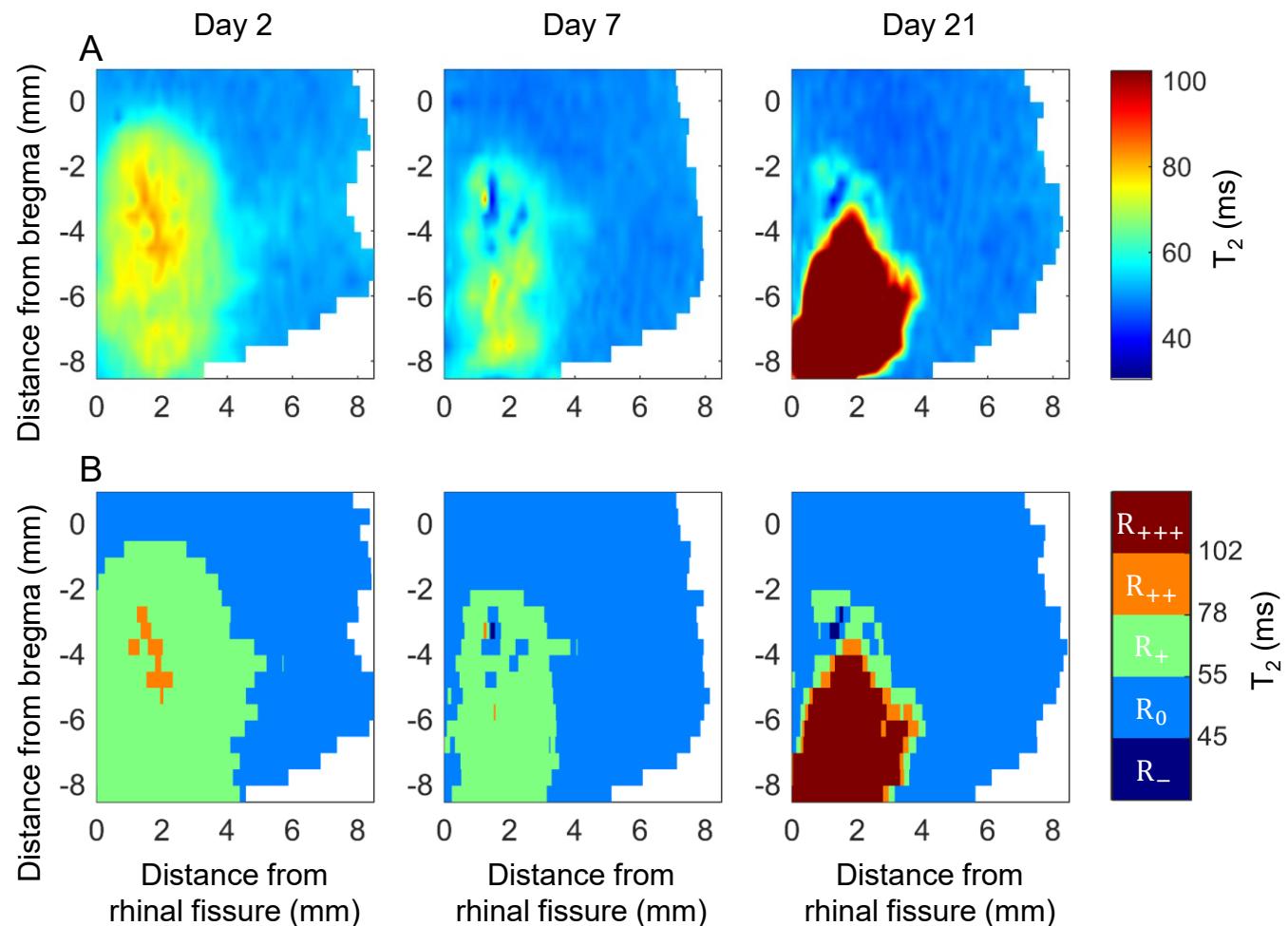
# MRI analyses

- Hypothesis-driven analyses
  1. Perilesional cortex
  2. Thalamus
  3. Hippocampus



# Perilesional cortex

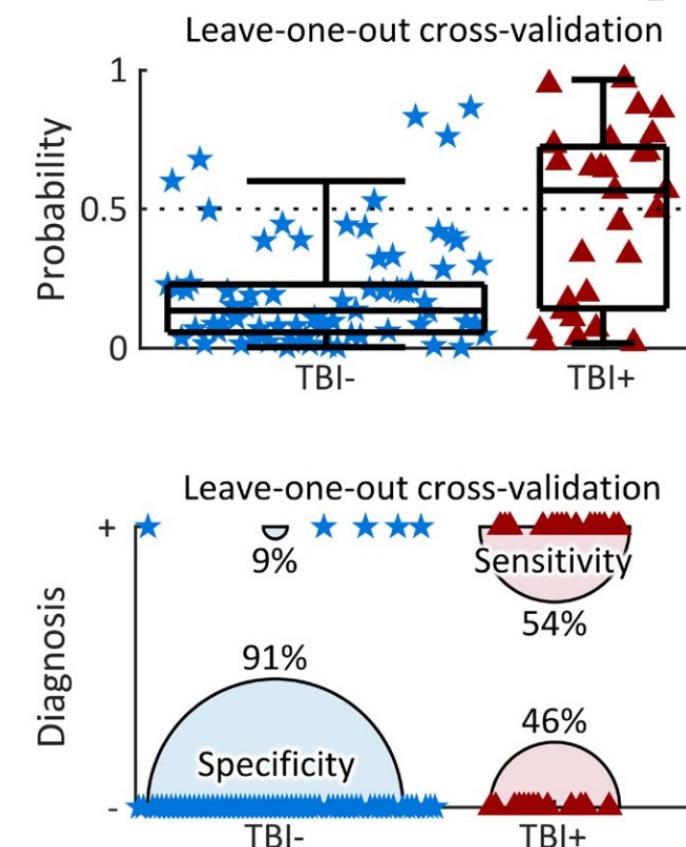
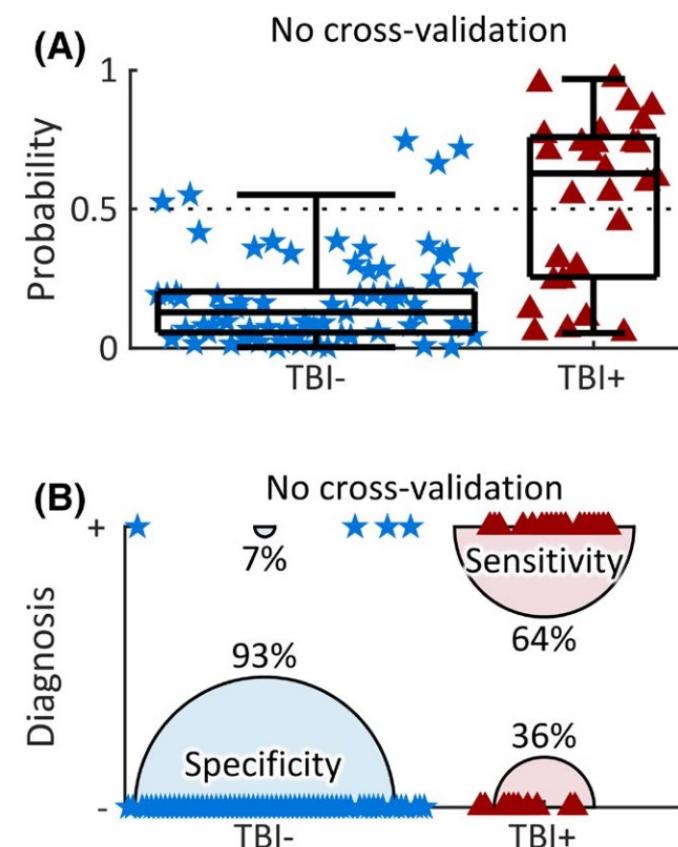
- Early lesion severity and volume classification
  - Predicts necrotic lesion progression
  - Does not predict emergence of post-traumatic epilepsy





# Thalamus

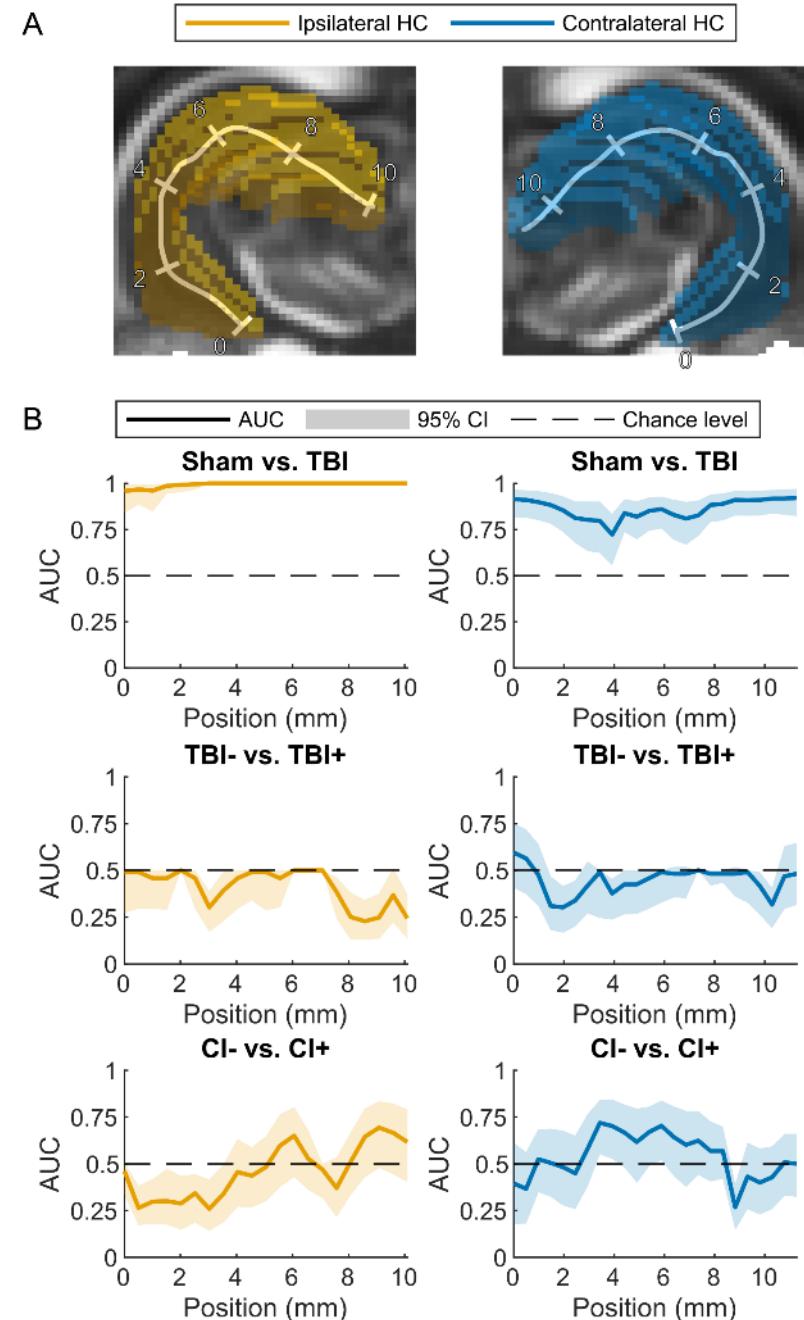
- Ventroposterior nucleus
- Mean and SD of  $T_2$ ,  $T_2^*$ , DTI parameters predict emergence of post-traumatic epilepsy





# Hippocampus

- Analysis at points along septotemporal hippocampal axis
  - $T_2$ ,  $T_2^*$ , DTI parameters
    - Did not predict epilepsy
    - Predicted cognitive impairment





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