

# Canine cognitive dysfunction and neuroscience: an interdisciplinary approach

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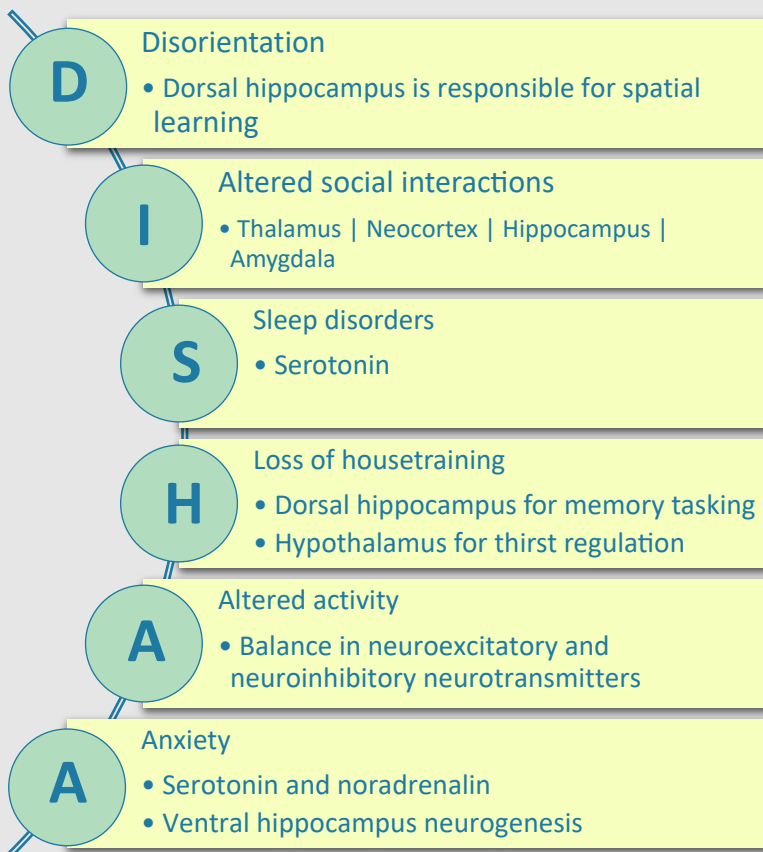
## We investigated:

*How neuroscience (NS) and canine cognitive dysfunction (CCD) can inform and benefit each other?*

## We concluded:

- Neuroscience allows CCD to have more specific treatments focusing in neuroplasticity
- CCD lesions in hippocampus and neocortex can explain its ethological signs

## Ethological signs explained by neuroscience



## How does CCD help NS?

Animal neurophysiology can not be investigated with current images techniques

CCD (and other neurodegenerative diseases) can be used as knock out of particular neurologic structures

## How does NS help CCD?

There is no technique enabling an in vivo CCD diagnosis

Better neurophysiology understanding may help to develop new treatment options

## Food for thought

- Which is the difference between an advanced aged brain and a brain with CCD?
- How is CCD being treated currently? And what about further horizons?
- Why specialization is important but collaboration is key?

## Further readings

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