Supplementary Material



Figure 1. Trial design and intervention schedule. Adopted from Carhart-Harris et al. (2916).





a) Patients were presented with faces with happy, fearful or neutral expressions selected from the Karolinska Directed Emotional Faces set (Goeleven et al., 2008) within a paradigm that lasted 8 minutes in total.

b) Two different PPI models were analysed. The first was a simple one only including a single face (irrespective of emotional expression) regressor, the ROI and their interaction. The second was a complex one differentiating between different facial expressions, analysing functional connectivity of our ROI's separately for different facial expressions (happy, neutral, fearful).

c) Depiction of the two ROI's, the bilateral amygdala (pink) and the vmPFC (blue)

Note: PPI = Psychophysiological Interaction, vmPFC = ventromedial prefrontal cortex, ROI = region of interest

Complex PPI Model



Figure 3. Results of the psychophysiological interaction whole-brain analysis comparing amygdala functional connectivity when processing different facial expressions with rest (complex model) before and after treatment with psilocybin. Regions with increased connectivity (after > before) are depicted in red (cluster-corrected, p < 0.05, Z > 2.3). No significant clusters were identified for the AMG x fearful (vs rest) contrast.

Note: FC = functional connectivity, AMG = amygdala, PPI = psychophysiological interaction

Analyses of relation to clinical outcomes

Table 1

Exploratory Analyses of Relation of amygdala and vmPFC functional connectivity to depression (BDI) and rumination (RRS) levels at threemonths post-treatment

		BDI							RRS				
ROI	FC cluster	Raw	Score	Cha	ange	Resp	oonse	Remis	sion	Raw	score	Cha	ange
			3 m	onths		3 mo (n =	onths = 9)	3 mc (n =	onths = 6)		3 m	onths	
		r	р	r	р	t	р	t	р	r	р	r	p
Amygdala	Parietal-occipital after	27	.257			-0.20	.845	-2.02	.059	38	.104		
(bilat.)	Parietal-occipital ∆Beta			.12	.615	-0.34	.738	-1.58	.132			.082	.740
vmPFC	Amygdala (R) after	12	.638			047	.963	.88	.390	093	.706		
	Amygdala (R) ∆Beta			.34	.161	-1.02	.324	19	.853			.24	.329
	Parietal-occipital after	23	.354			.19	.619	-2.73	.014	28	.245		
	Parietal-occipital ∆Beta			.17	.49	90	.381	-3.93	.001**			.26	.291

Note: FC = functional connectivity; * = significant at α = .05, ** = significant at α = .01; Δ Beta = after – before, clinical "Change" = before - after

Table 2

Exploratory Analyses on Relation of amygdala and vmPFC functional connectivity to depression (QIDS-16-SR) scores at multiple time points post-treatment

ROI	FC cluster	QIDS-SR-16 Raw score													
		1 day		1 week		2 weeks		3 weeks		5 weeks		3 months		6 months	
	-	r	р	r	р	r	р	r	р	r	р	r	р	r	р
Amygdala	Parietal-occipital after	33	.172	25	.303	42	.074	36	.126	25	.297	19	.425	44	.063
(bilat.)	Parietal-occipital ∆Beta	26	.282	11	.641	28	.249	303	.207	13	.584	11	.663	22	.373
vmPFC	Amygdala (R) after	.24	.331	.28	.247	.23	.354	.12	.635	.009	.972	098	.690	11	.669
	Amygdala (R) ∆Beta	13	.606	11	.656	13	.584	22	.364	31	.193	37	.118	44	.059
	Parietal-occipital after	37	.120	33	.170	36	.132	22	.365	.011	.966	16	.506	.021	.932
	Parietal-occipital ∆Beta	47	.041*	43	.067	53	.021*	43	.065	19	.442	25	.300	012	.961

Note: FC = functional connectivity; * = significant at α = .05; Δ Beta = after – before

Results of additional PPI analyses with the left and right amygdala added as seed-ROI separately

Table 3

Summary of the results of supplementary seed-to-voxel psychophysiological interaction analyses comparing functional connectivity

during face processing (irrespective of facial expression) with rest (simple model)

ROI	Contrasts	Functional Regions Connectivity		FunctionalRegionsVolunConnectivity(mm³)		Volume (mm ³)	MNI_152	coordinates		Difference max (z)	Sig
					Х	У	Z				
Right	AMG (R)	\downarrow	Lateral occipital cortex (L)	532	-40	-79	27	3.80	**		
amygdala			Occipital pole (L)		-30, -24	-90, -94	32, 24	3.42, 3.19	***		
		↑	Insula (L)	851	-40	5	-2	3.77	***		
			Frontal operculum (L)		-46, -42	10, 16	2,0	3.77, 3.69	***		
			Temporal pole (L)		-46	4	-10	3.54	***		
			Superior temporal gyrus (L)		-48	-14	-6	3.33	***		
	AMG (R)	↑	Lateral occipital cortex (R)	349	38	-74	30	3.44	*		
	x Faces		Precuneus (R)		22	-70	32	3.44	***		
	(vs rest)		Intracalcarine cortex	1633	-4	-76	17	3.89	***		
			Cuneus		2	-80	26	3.88	***		
			Occipital pole (L)		-4, -12	-100, -98	16, 20	3.48, 3.47	***		
Right	AMG (R)	1	Cingulate	485	1	34	3	3.83	**		
Amygdala	FC		Subcallosal cortex (L/R)		-6/4	26/26	-2/2	3.83/3.28	***		
subpart ¹			Paracingulate gyrus		-2, -4	50, 44	-2, -4	3.10, 2.89	*** **		
	AMG (R)	\downarrow	Middle temporal gyrus (L)	296	-56	-13	-13	3.94	*		
	x Faces		Superior temporal gyrus (L)		-56, -52	-10, -2	-10, -12	3.94, 2.62	*** **		
	(vs rest)		Temporal pole (L)		-48	-14	-2	3.13	***		
			Inferior temporal gyrus		-50	-14	-22	2.67	**		
		↑	Cuneus	1476	1	-78	20	3.91	***		
			Intracalcarine cortex (L/R)		-6/18	-86/-70	6/12	3.61/3.38	***		
			Occipital pole		12	-92	22	3.46	***		
			Supracalcarine cortex		0	-88	10	3.37	***		
			Lateral occipital cortex		18	-84	36	3.36	***		

Left Amygdala	AMG (L) FC	\downarrow	Lateral occipital cortex (R) Angular gyrus (R)	324	45 44	-61 -48	32 36	3.75 2.74	* **
			Precuneus	615	3	-57	37	3.56	***
			Cingulate (R)		8	-46	38	3.07	**
		↑	Insula (L)	890	-33	9	2	3.78	***
			Frontal Operculum (L)		-40, -32	16, 26	0,8	3.78, 3.38	***
			Caudate (L)		-14	10	12	3.28	***
	AMG (L)	↑	Supracalcarine cortex	715	4	-76	14	3.35	***
	x Faces		Intracalcarine cortex		4, 2	-64, -72	14, 8	3.35, 3.27	***
	(vs rest)		Precuneus (R)		22	-70	32	3.05	**

Note: vmPFC = ventromedial prefrontal cortex, AMG = amygdala, R = right hemisphere, L = left hemisphere, \uparrow / \downarrow = increased (after > before)/decreased (before > after) after psilocybin; Overall clusters are depicted in bold, local maxima in simple font; MNI_152 coordinates are given for the Centre of Gravity (COG) of overall clusters and of the voxel with maximum intensity (z-max) for local maxima; significance values are reported for the overall cluster and the z-max of local maxima

* z > 2.3 (cluster-corrected, p < .05)

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¹ part of the right amygdala showing significantly higher activation during fearful vs neutral faces after treatment with psilocybin (Roseman et al., 2018)