

Science and Technology: Between the Ears

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The October meeting of the Science and Technology Special Interest Group (Monday 9th) was beset by organisational issues. Perhaps, due to the absence of our gallant organiser (Roy T), or a spurious coincidence of commitments, there was sparse attendance for my talk on the brain. Consequently, rather than giving the intended presentation, we had a neuro-discussion. This proved invaluable since it became clear, parts of my prepared talk could usefully be omitted (details of ion movements across a neurone's semi-permeable membrane during the action potential), while other ideas could helpfully be expanded (the key and lock metaphor for neurotransmitters and their receptors). If I'm called upon to give this talk again....it will be all the better for Monday's neuro-discussion.