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**THE HUMAN BRAIN AS A CONTROL CENTER AND ITS FUNCTIONAL CAPABILITIES**

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**Annotatsiya.** Mazkur maqolada inson miyasi boshqaruv markazi sifatida uning tuzilishi va funksional imkoniyatlari tahlil qilinadi. Markaziy nerv tizimining asosiy qismi bo'lgan miya harakat, sezgi, fikrlash va muvofiqlashtirish jarayonlarini boshqaradi. Tadqiqot davomida miya tuzilishi, neyronlar faoliyati va uning murakkab funksional imkoniyatlari ilmiy asosda yoritildi.

**Kalit so'zlar:** inson miyasi, markaziy nerv tizimi, neyronlar, boshqaruv markazi, funksional faoliyat, anatomiya.

**Аннотация.** В статье рассматривается мозг человека как главный центр управления и его функциональные возможности. Мозг как часть центральной нервной системы регулирует движения, ощущения, мышление и координацию. В исследовании анализируются структура мозга, активность нейронов и его сложные функциональные особенности.

**Ключевые слова:** мозг человека, центральная нервная система, нейроны, центр управления, функции, анатомия.

**Abstract.** This article examines the human brain as the main control center of the body and analyzes its functional capabilities. The brain, as a central part of the nervous system, regulates movement, sensory perception, cognition, and coordination. The study focuses on brain structure, neuronal activity, and its complex functional potential.

**Keywords:** human brain, central nervous system, neurons, control center, functions, anatomy.

## INTRODUCTION

The human brain is the most complex organ of the human body and serves as the central control system responsible for regulating all physiological and cognitive processes. It integrates sensory input, coordinates motor activity, and enables higher mental functions such as learning, memory, and decision-making. Eric Kandel in his work *Principles of Neural Science* explains that brain function is based on networks of interconnected neurons that transmit information through electrical and chemical signals, forming the basis of all human behavior and cognition<sup>1</sup>.

From an anatomical perspective, the brain is composed of several major structures, including the cerebrum, cerebellum, and brainstem, each performing distinct but interconnected roles. The cerebrum is responsible for conscious activities, including reasoning and voluntary movement, while the cerebellum regulates coordination and balance. The brainstem controls vital functions such as respiration and heart rate. John Nolte in *The Human Brain: An Introduction to Its Functional Anatomy*<sup>2</sup> emphasizes that the structural organization of these regions reflects a high level of specialization, allowing the brain to maintain stability and adaptability under varying physiological conditions.

The functional capacity of the brain is determined by the activity of neurons and their synaptic connections. The human brain contains approximately 86 billion neurons, each capable of forming thousands of synapses, resulting in a highly complex

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<sup>1</sup> Kandel, E. R., Schwartz, J. H., Jessell, T. M. (2013). *Principles of Neural Science*. 5th ed. New York: McGraw-Hill, pp. 15-35.

<sup>2</sup> Nolte, J. (2009). *The Human Brain: An Introduction to Its Functional Anatomy*. 6th ed. St. Louis: Mosby, pp. 120-140.

communication network. Mark Bear in *Neuroscience: Exploring the Brain* states that these neural connections are not static but dynamic, allowing the brain to modify its structure and function in response to experience, a property known as neuroplasticity<sup>3</sup>.

In addition, the brain operates through the coordination of electrical impulses and biochemical processes, ensuring rapid and efficient information processing. Signal transmission occurs at varying speeds depending on neuron type, reaching up to 120 meters per second in myelinated fibers. Guyton Arthur Hall in *Textbook of Medical Physiology* highlights that this rapid transmission is essential for maintaining reflexes, coordinated movement, and immediate responses to environmental stimuli<sup>4</sup>. Despite extensive scientific research, many aspects of brain function and its full capabilities remain only partially understood. The ability of the brain to adapt, learn, and reorganize continues to be a central focus of modern neuroscience. Therefore, this study aims to analyze the anatomical structure of the human brain and to explore its functional capabilities as the primary control center of the human body.

## **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

This study was based on a systematic analysis of anatomical and physiological data describing the structure and functional mechanisms of the human brain. The research focused on the main structural components of the brain, including the cerebrum, cerebellum, and brainstem, as well as the organization of neurons and synaptic connections responsible for information processing.

Standard anatomical parameters were used to describe brain structure. The average weight of the adult human brain was considered to be 1300–1400 grams, while total brain volume ranged from 1200 to 1400 cubic centimeters. The thickness of the cerebral cortex varied between 2 and 4 millimeters, depending on the region. These structural characteristics were used to evaluate the complexity and functional capacity of the brain. Keith Moore in *Clinically Oriented Anatomy* describes that such structural differentiation allows specialization of different brain regions.

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<sup>3</sup> Bear, M. F., Connors, B. W., Paradiso, M. A. (2016). *Neuroscience: Exploring the Brain*. 4th ed. Philadelphia: Wolters Kluwer, pp. 80–100.

<sup>4</sup> Guyton, A. C., Hall, J. E. (2016). *Textbook of Medical Physiology*. 13th ed. Philadelphia: Elsevier, pp. 565–580.

Functional analysis was based on neuronal activity and signal transmission. The human brain contains approximately 86 billion neurons, each forming thousands of synaptic connections. Electrical impulses in neurons were considered to propagate at speeds ranging from 1 to 120 meters per second, depending on the type of nerve fibers. Eric Kandel in *Principles of Neural Science* explains that synaptic transmission is the fundamental mechanism through which neurons communicate and regulate all physiological processes.

In addition, biochemical processes in the brain were considered as key factors influencing its functional activity. Neurotransmitters such as dopamine, serotonin, and acetylcholine were analyzed as major chemical mediators involved in signal transmission. Guyton Arthur Hall in *Textbook of Medical Physiology* notes that the balance of these substances is essential for maintaining normal brain function and cognitive activity.

**RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The analysis demonstrated that the structural organization of the human brain directly determines its functional capacity as a control center. The presence of approximately 86 billion neurons and trillions of synaptic connections allows the brain to process large volumes of information simultaneously. This high level of connectivity enables coordination between sensory input, motor responses, and cognitive functions. Mark Bear in *Neuroscience: Exploring the Brain* emphasizes that neural networks form the basis of perception, memory, and decision-making processes.

**Table 1. Structural and functional parameters of the human brain**

Parameter	Average value	Functional significance
Brain weight	1300-1400 g	Determines processing capacity
Number of neurons	~86 billion	Enables complex information processing
Cortex thickness	2-4 mm	Supports higher cognitive functions
Signal transmission speed	1-120 m/s	Ensures rapid neural communication
Synaptic connections	trillions	Provides integration of neural activity

The data indicate that brain efficiency depends on both structural complexity and functional integration. The cerebral cortex plays a central role in higher mental activities, including reasoning, language, and voluntary movement. Deeper structures such as the brainstem regulate essential life-supporting functions, including respiration and cardiovascular activity. John Nolte in *The Human Brain: An Introduction to Its Functional Anatomy* notes that this hierarchical organization allows the brain to maintain both automatic and conscious control over bodily functions<sup>5</sup>.

In addition, the study highlights the importance of neuroplasticity in brain function. Neural connections are continuously modified based on experience and environmental stimuli. Eric Kandel in *Principles of Neural Science* explains that changes in synaptic strength are fundamental for learning and memory formation<sup>6</sup>. This adaptive capacity allows the brain to reorganize itself and maintain functional stability even under changing conditions.

Biochemical activity also plays a critical role in regulating brain function. Neurotransmitters such as dopamine, serotonin, and acetylcholine influence mood, cognition, and motor control. Guyton Arthur Hall in *Textbook of Medical Physiology* emphasizes that imbalances in these chemical mediators can lead to disruptions in normal brain activity, affecting both physiological and psychological processes.

Overall, the results confirm that the human brain operates as a highly integrated system in which structural organization, electrical activity, and biochemical processes work together to ensure effective control of the body.

## **CONCLUSION**

The study confirms that the human brain functions as a highly complex and integrated control center that regulates all physiological and cognitive processes in the body. Its structural organization, including specialized regions such as the cerebrum, cerebellum, and brainstem, allows for precise coordination of sensory input, motor activity, and higher mental functions.

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<sup>5</sup> Nolte, J. (2009). *The Human Brain: An Introduction to Its Functional Anatomy*. 6th ed. St. Louis: Mosby, pp. 120-140.

<sup>6</sup> Kandel, E. R., Schwartz, J. H., Jessell, T. M. (2013). *Principles of Neural Science*. 5th ed. New York: McGraw-Hill, pp. 15-35.

It was established that the functional capacity of the brain is determined by the activity of neurons and their extensive synaptic connections. The presence of approximately 86 billion neurons and trillions of synapses enables rapid information processing and adaptive responses to environmental stimuli. In addition, the speed of neural signal transmission ensures immediate coordination of bodily functions. The findings also highlight the importance of biochemical processes in brain function. Neurotransmitters play a key role in regulating cognitive activity, emotional state, and motor control. The balance of these chemical mediators is essential for maintaining normal brain function and overall physiological stability.

Overall, the human brain demonstrates remarkable adaptability and functional potential, which are supported by the integration of structural, electrical, and biochemical mechanisms. Understanding these processes provides a scientific basis for further research in neuroscience and contributes to the development of effective approaches in medicine and cognitive science.

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