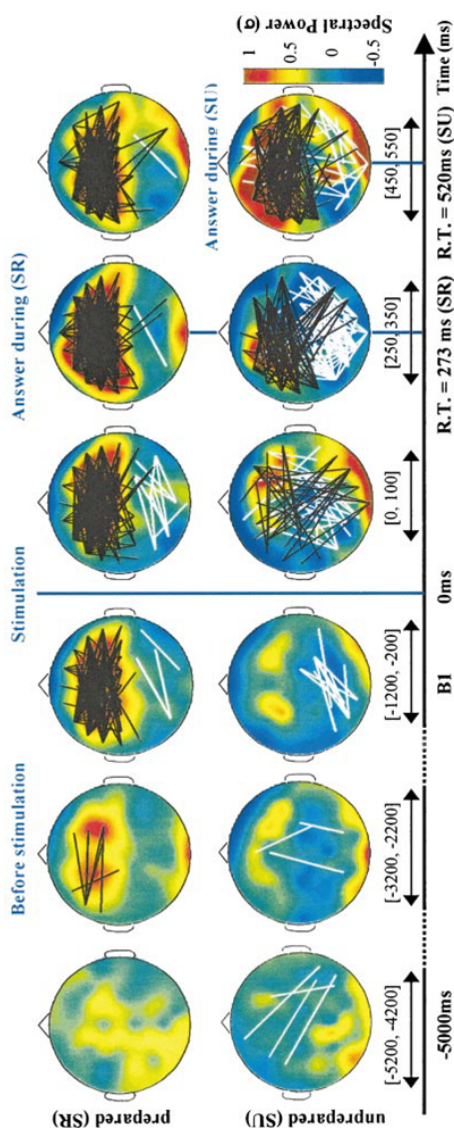


Towards an affective neuro-physio-phenomenology



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The neuroscientific study of emotion experience has been neglected compared to other aspects of consciousness. Affective neuroscience is still largely dominated by a behaviouristic paradigm that focuses on the link between emotional stimuli, neural, bodily and/or behavioural responses.

To rectify this situation, I propose to augment affective neuroscience with the neurophenomenological method originally delineated by Varela to combine first, second and third-person methods in the study of consciousness. I argue that this integration will enrich affective neuroscience and neurophenomenology itself.

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