

# An Experimental Study on Social Network Brands Cognitive Information Processing

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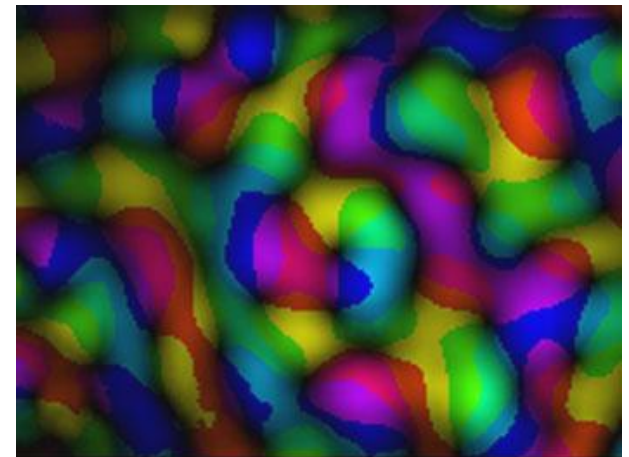
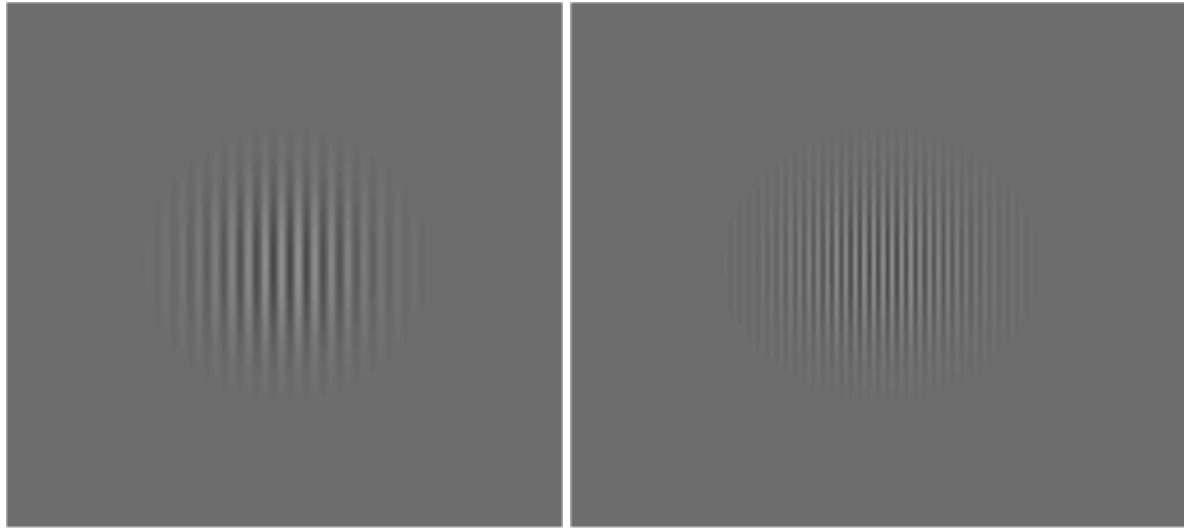


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# Stimuli – luminance, contrast, color





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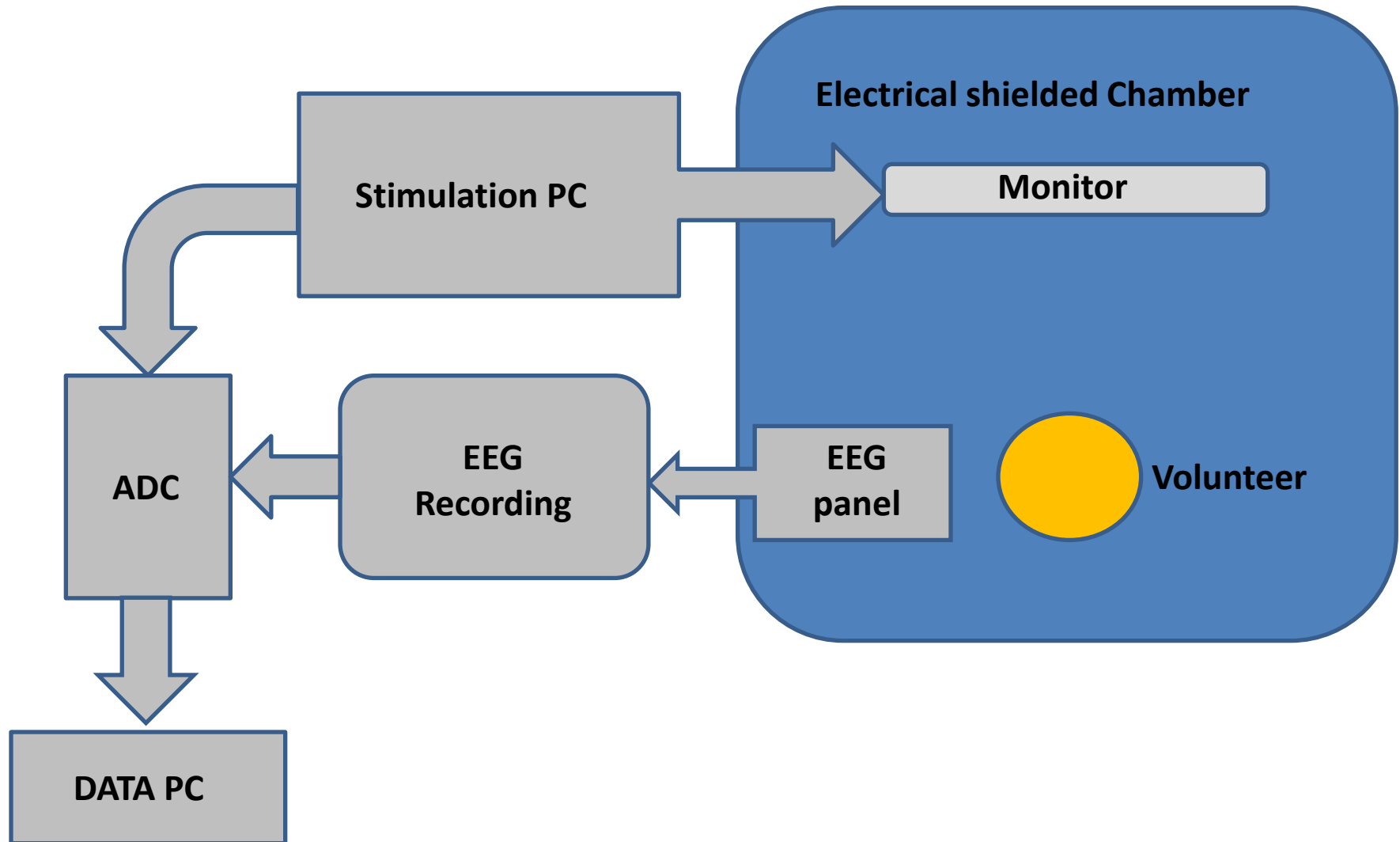


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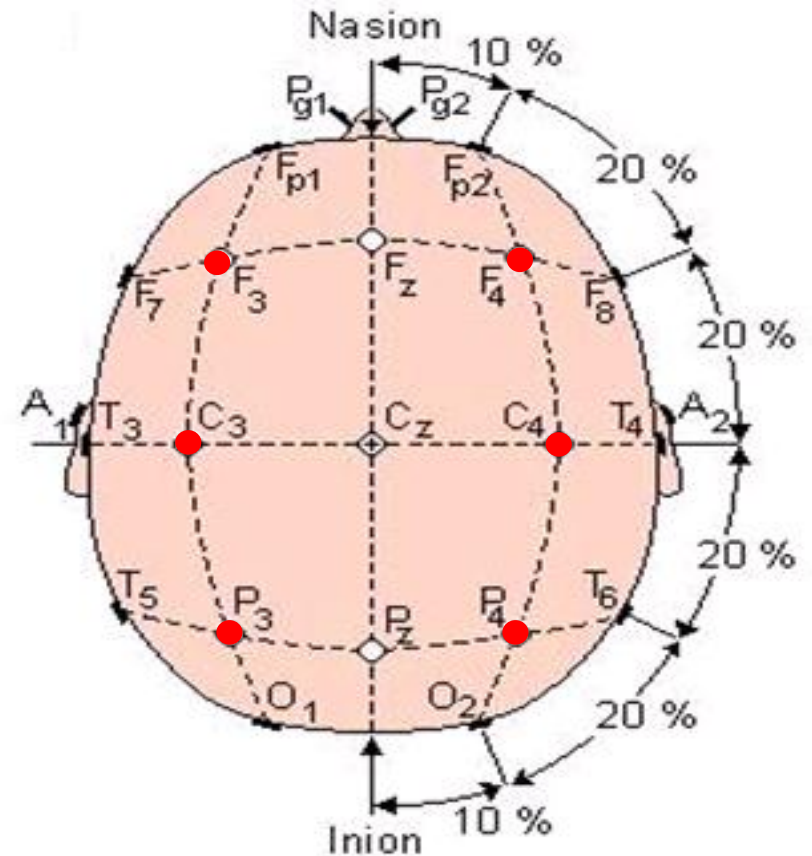
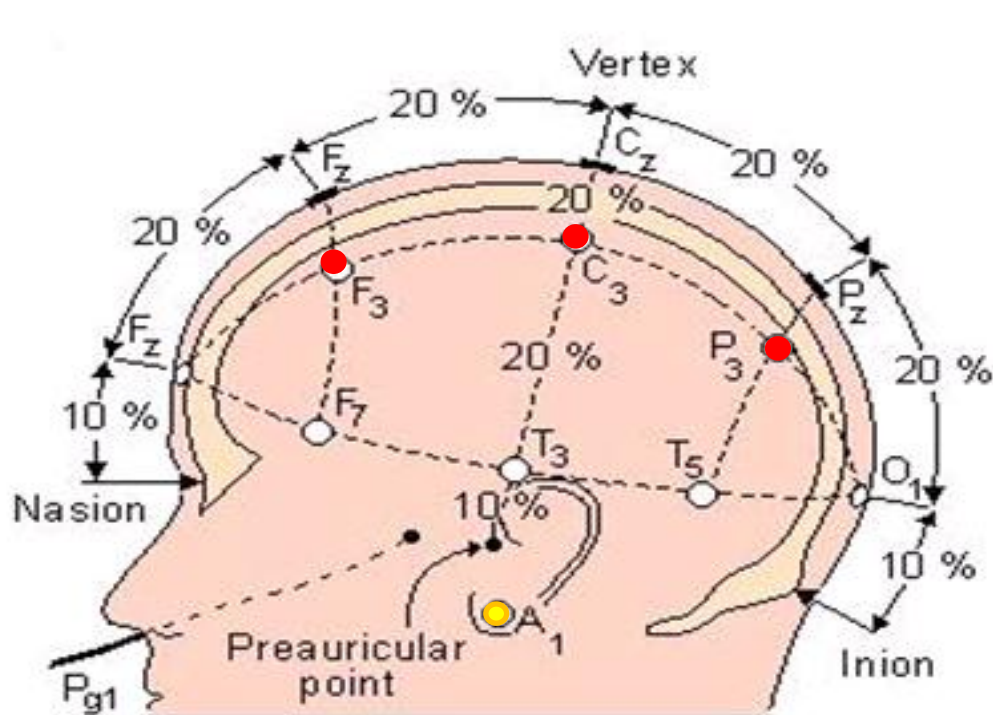
# Methods





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Brain electrical activity (EEG) was recorded from parietal, central, and frontal brain areas.



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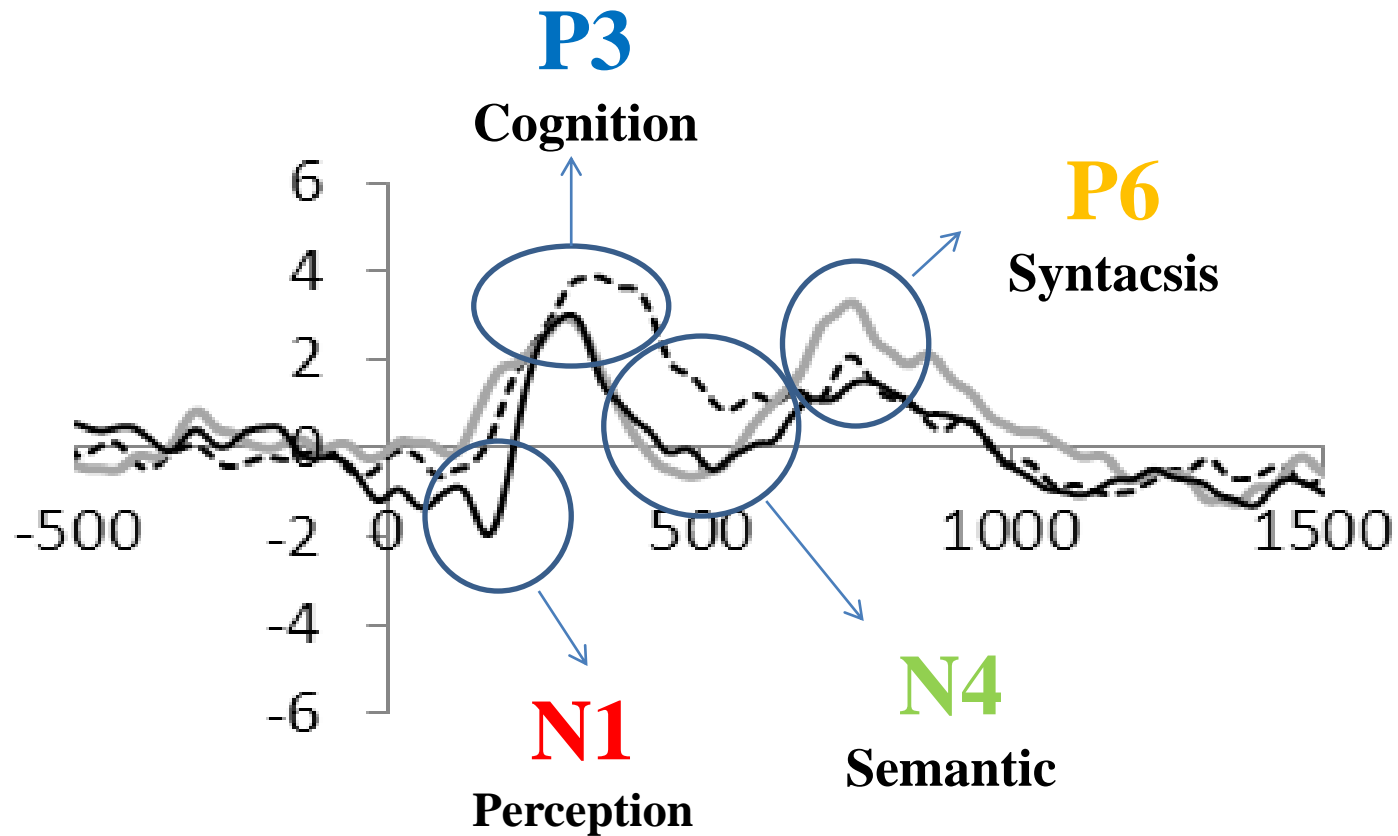
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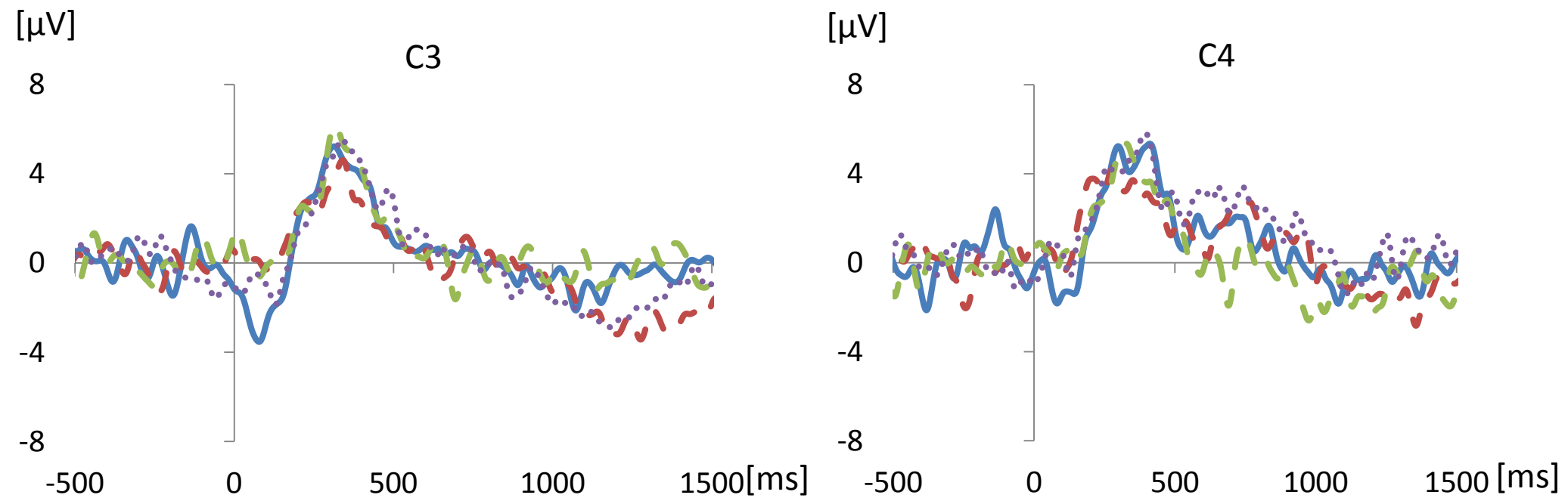


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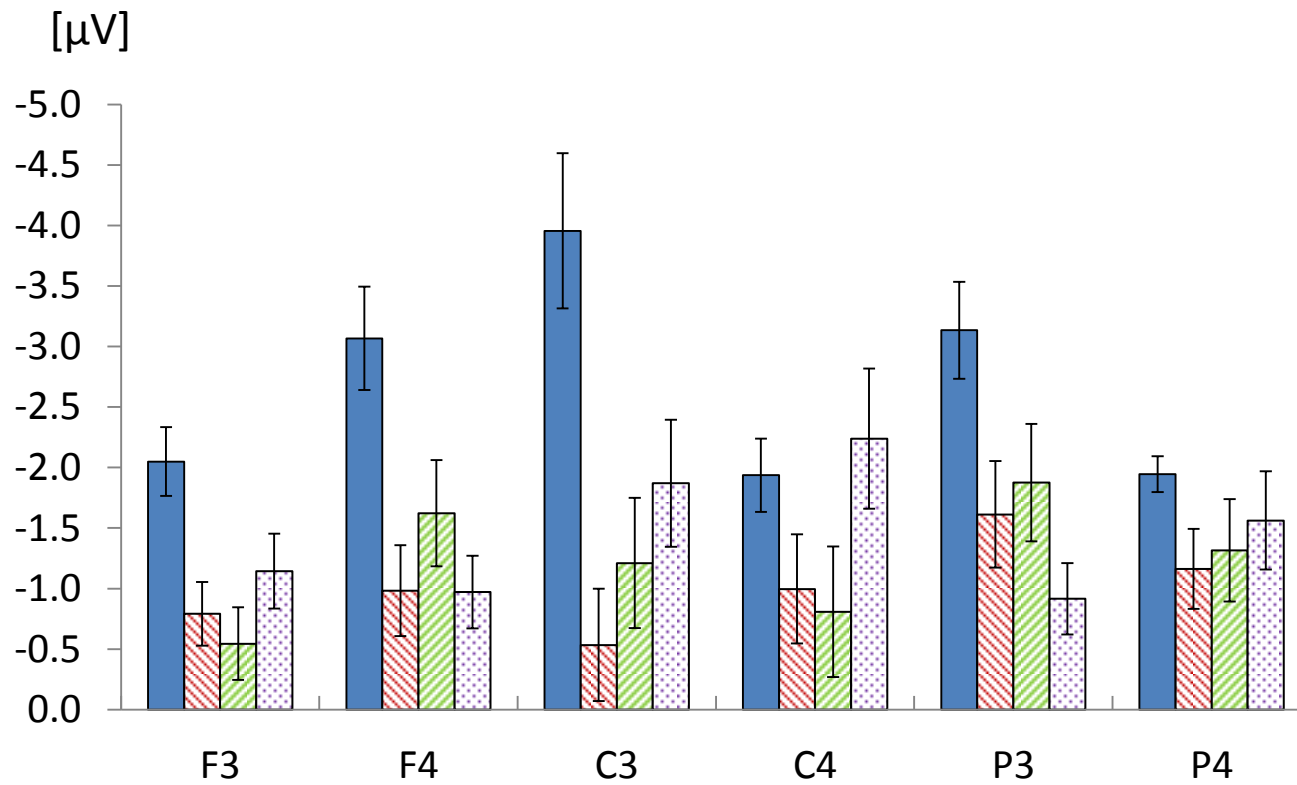
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Visual Event-Related Potentials evoked by social Network logos presented on white background. The figure shows the time period from 500 [ms] before stimuli presentation to 1500 [ms] after the stimuli onset. Each stimulus remained on screen for the entire 2000 [ms] time period. Different logos on social networks are displayed with different color lines, as follows:

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Comparison of N1 component amplitudes of Visual ERPs elicited after Facebook , Twitter , Linked In  and Netlog  logos presented on white background.

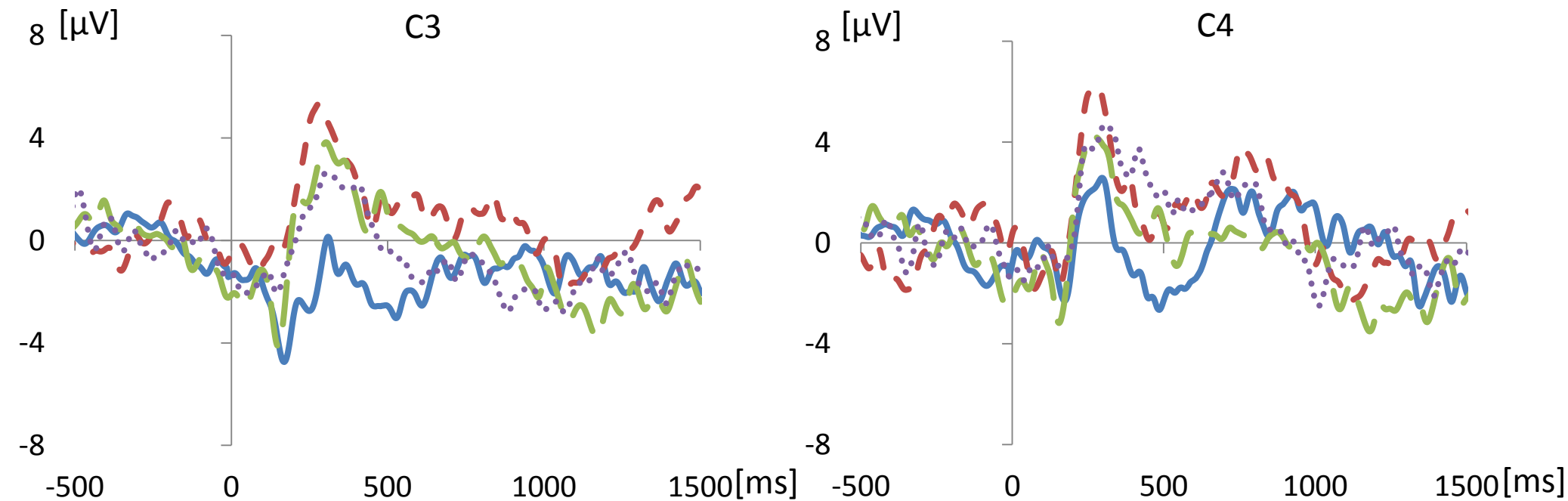
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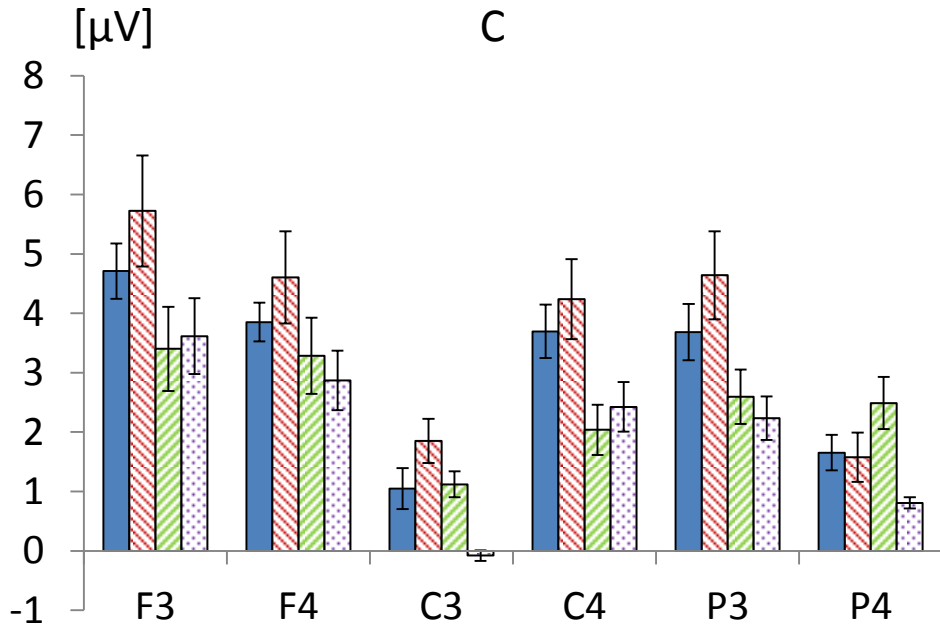
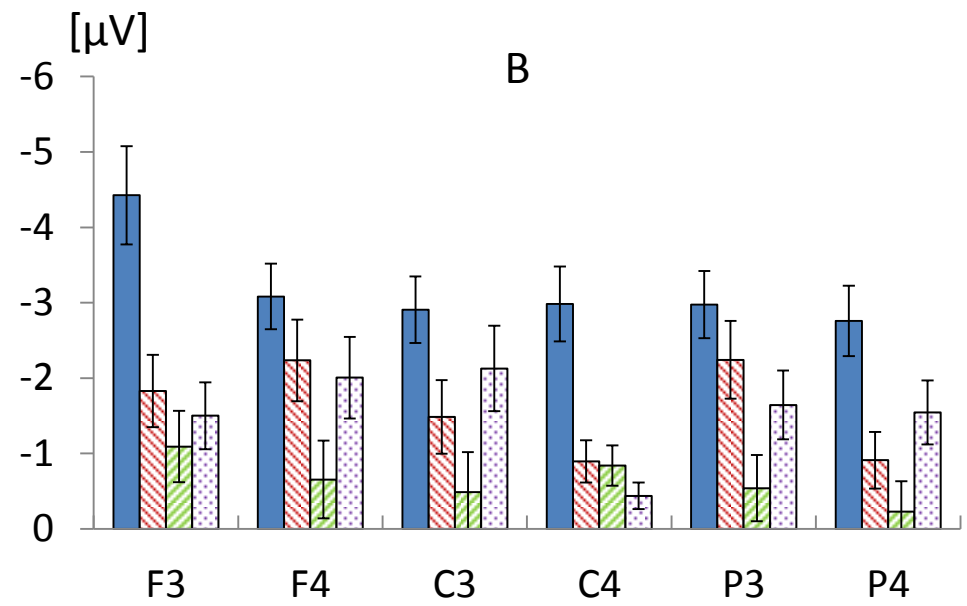
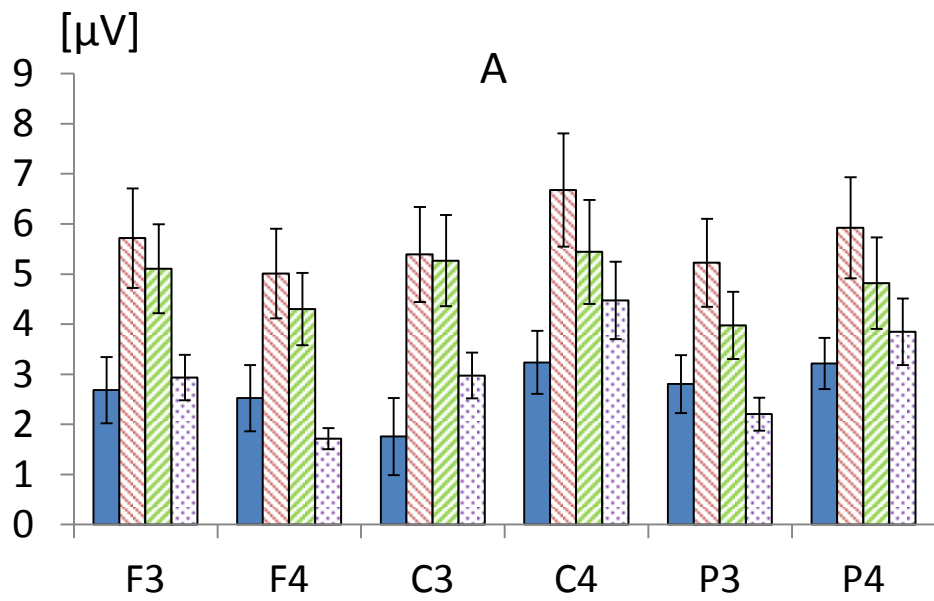
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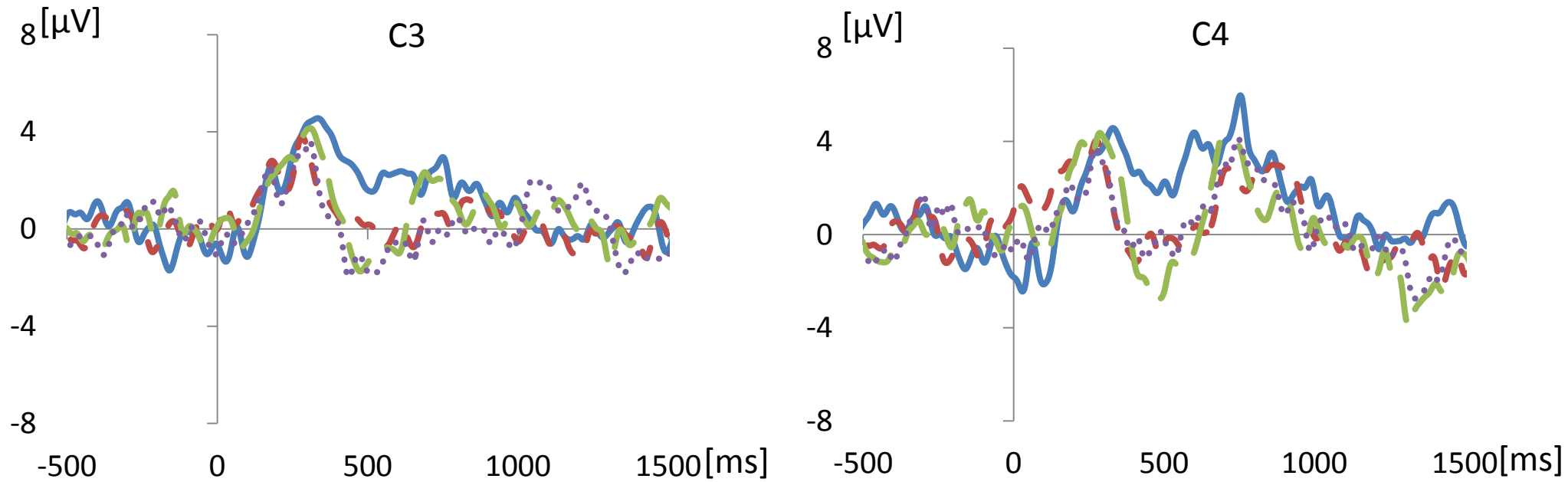
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Comparison of P3 (fig. 3A), N4 (fig. 3B) and P6 (fig. 3C) components amplitudes of Visual ERPs elicited after Facebook , Twitter , Linked In  and Netlog  logos presented on black background.

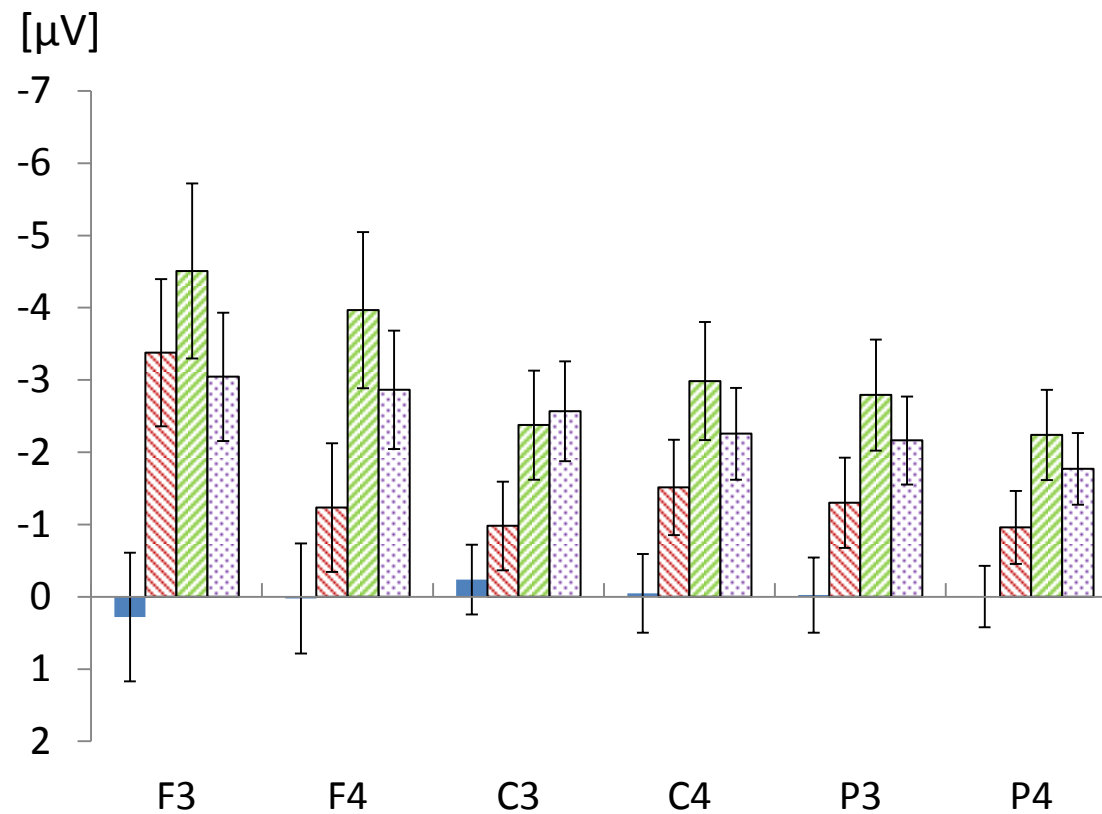









Visual Event-Related Potentials evoked by social Network textual printed logos on gray background. The figure shows the time period from 500 [ms] before stimuli presentation to 1500 [ms] after the stimuli onset. Each stimulus remained on screen for the entire 2000 [ms] time period. Different logos on social networks are displayed with different color lines, as follows:

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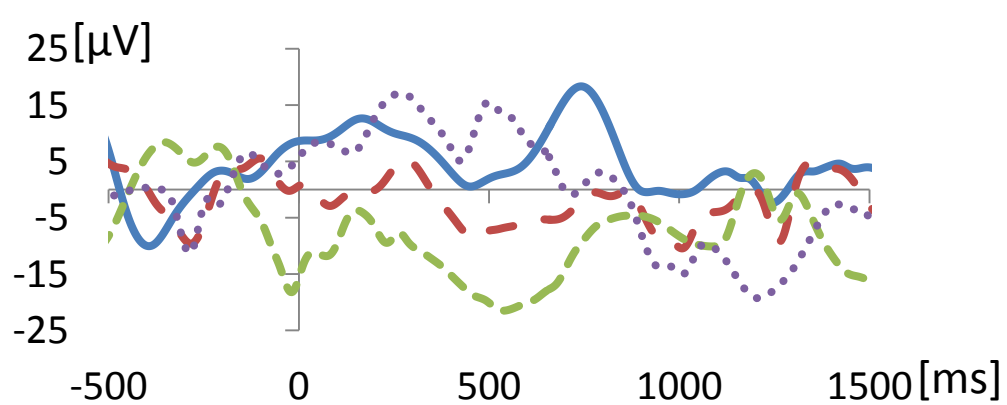
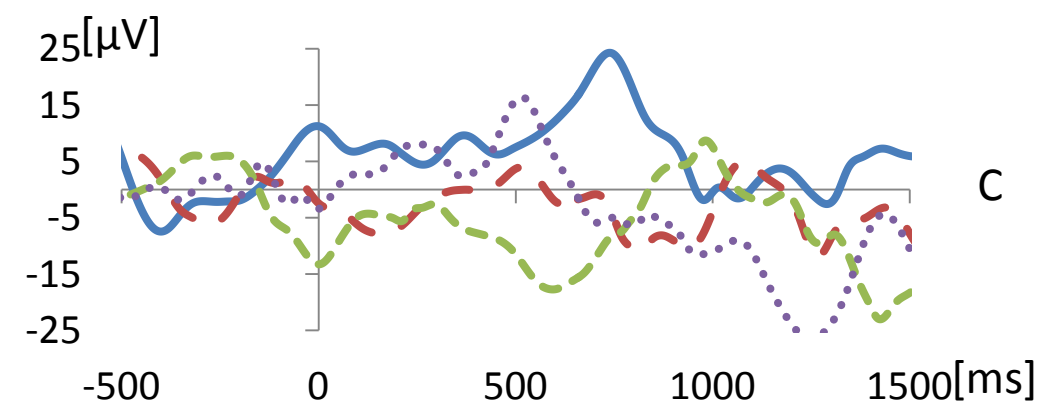
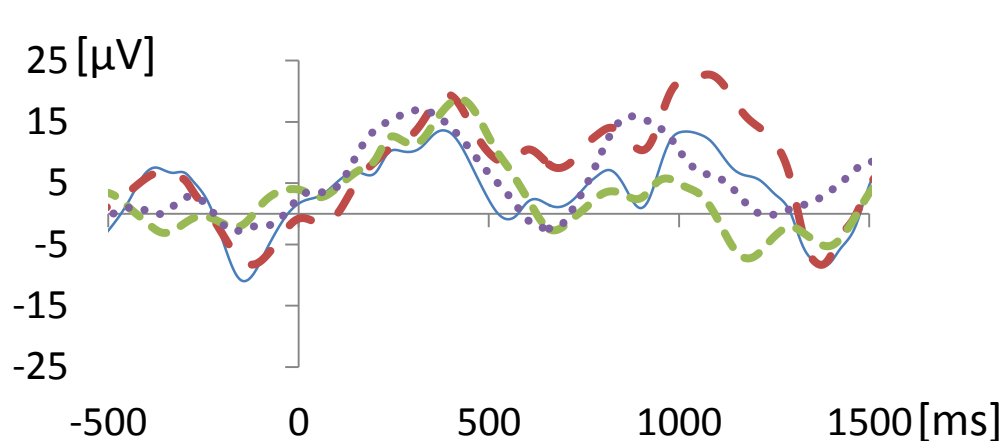
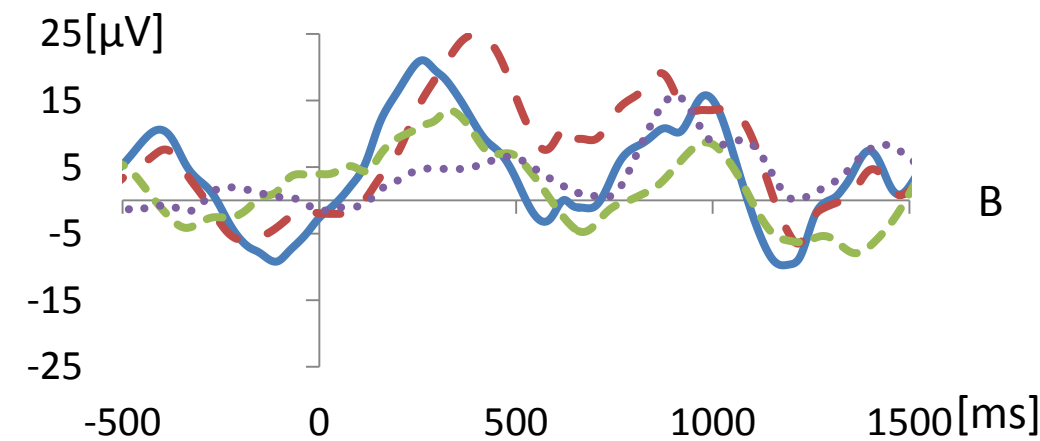
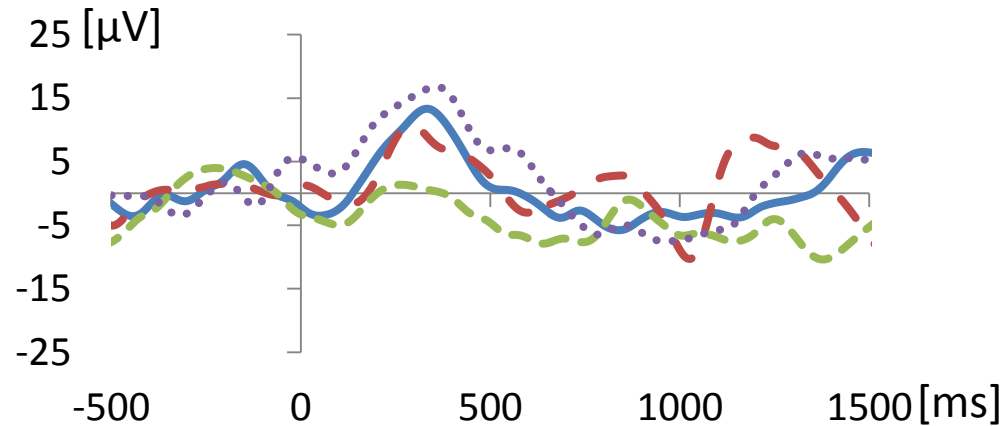
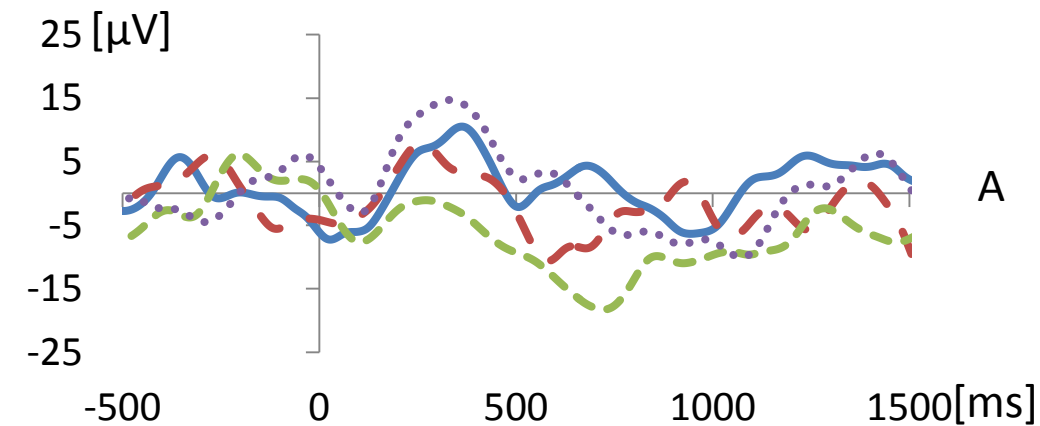


Comparison of N4 component amplitudes of Visual ERPs elicited after Facebook , Twitter , LinkedIn  and Netlog  logos presented as text on the gray background.

# Theta synchronization

F3

F4



# Alpha synchronization

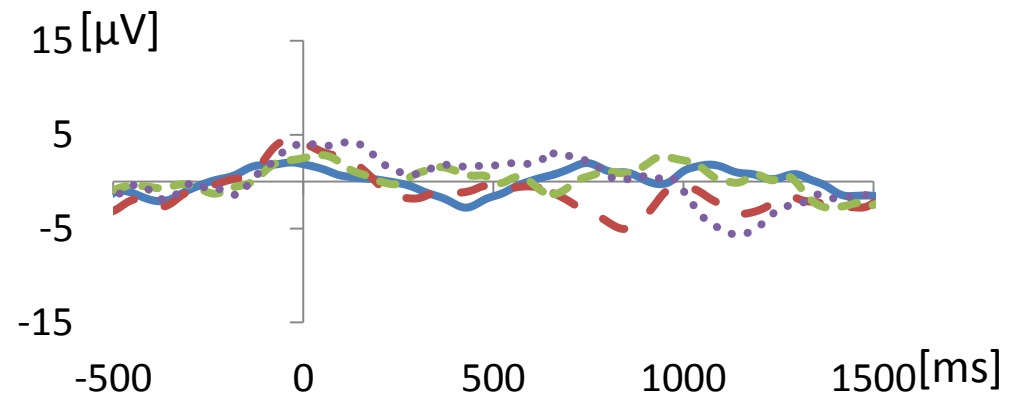
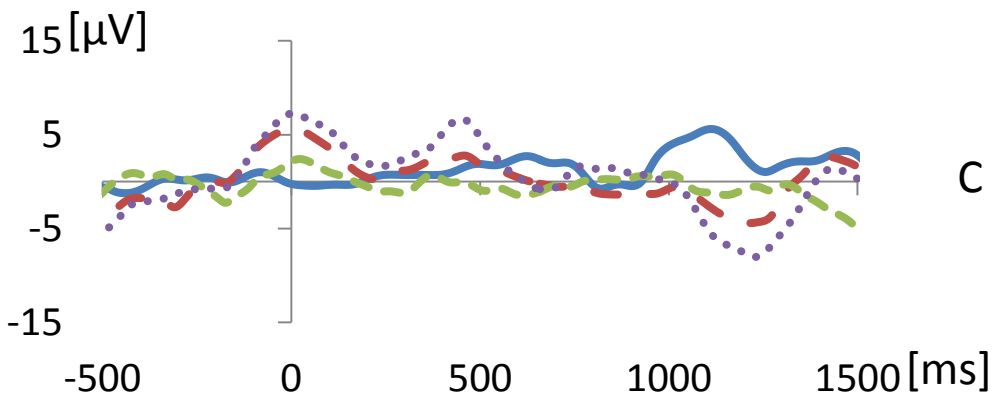
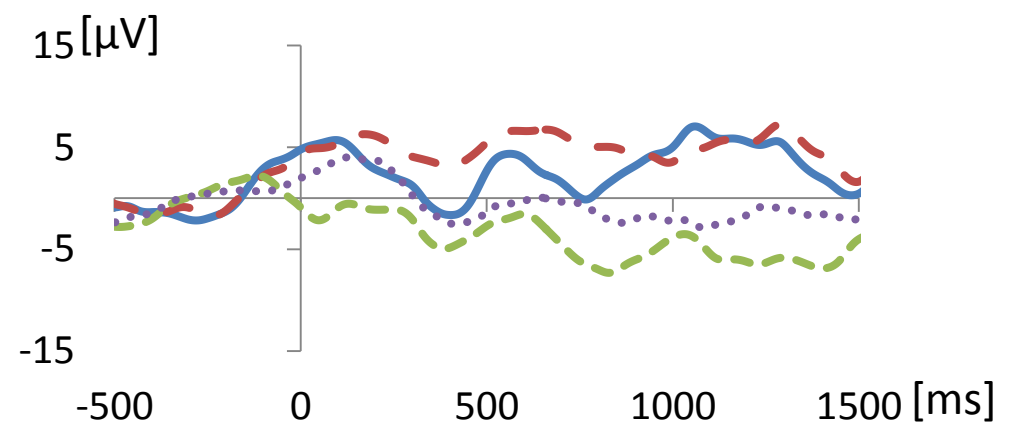
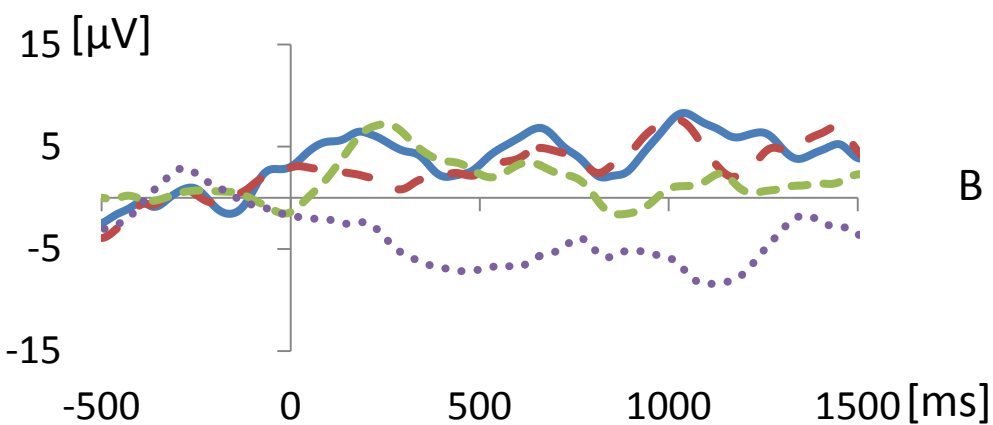
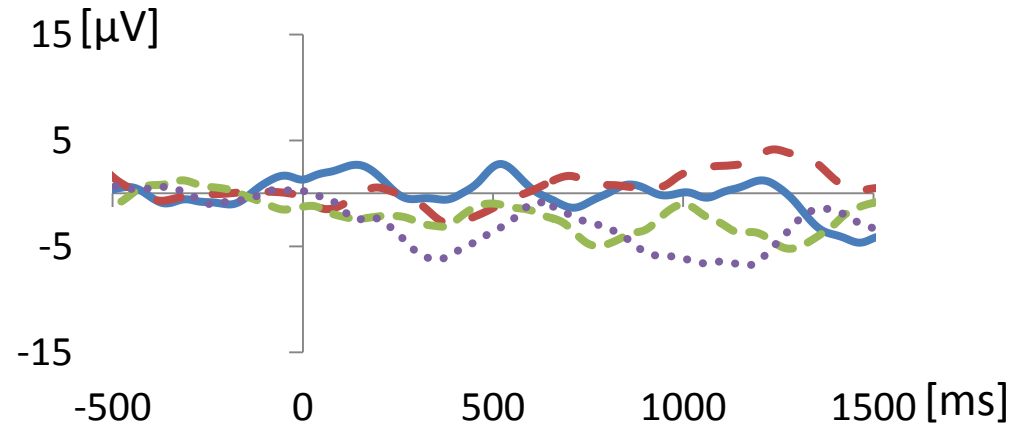
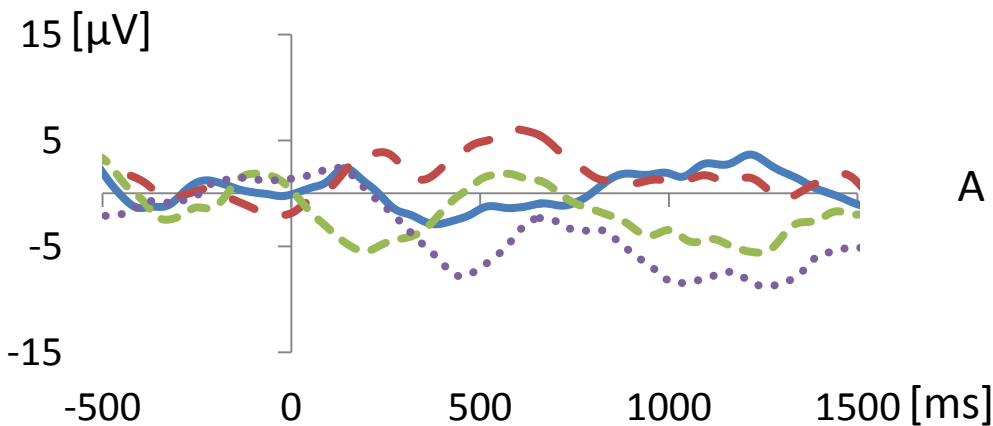
P3

P4

A

B

C



# Conclusions

1. The P3 amplitude prefers Twitter and Linked In.
2. Theta synchronization prefers Netlog and Twitter.
3. Alpha desynchronization prefers Netlog and Linked In.
4. **Facebook** may be considered as the most emotional text brand and **Twitter** as the most emotional logo brand.

*Finally, this provokes a research hypothesis about predisposition of social network users to hidden cyber & behaviour threats due to emotional reasons.*



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