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9.01 Study Questions

Lecture 21: Motor System 3

- 1. How do the Pyramidal System and Extrapyramidal System differ?
- 2. What neuroanatomical facts led to the ideas behind the lesion study of descending pathways by Lawrence and Kuypers?
- 3. Describe the lesions and their sequence used in the experiment with monkeys by Lawrence and Kuypers.
- 4. What main conclusions can you draw from the work of Lawrence and Kuypers?
- 5. How can the neocortex control movement without activity of the pyramidal tract axons coming from the motor cortex?

Important terminology: pyramidal system, extrapyramidal system, primary motor cortex, pyramidal system, rubrospinal tract, vestibulospinal tract, tectospinal tract, reticulospinal tract, distal, proximal, axial, gliosis.