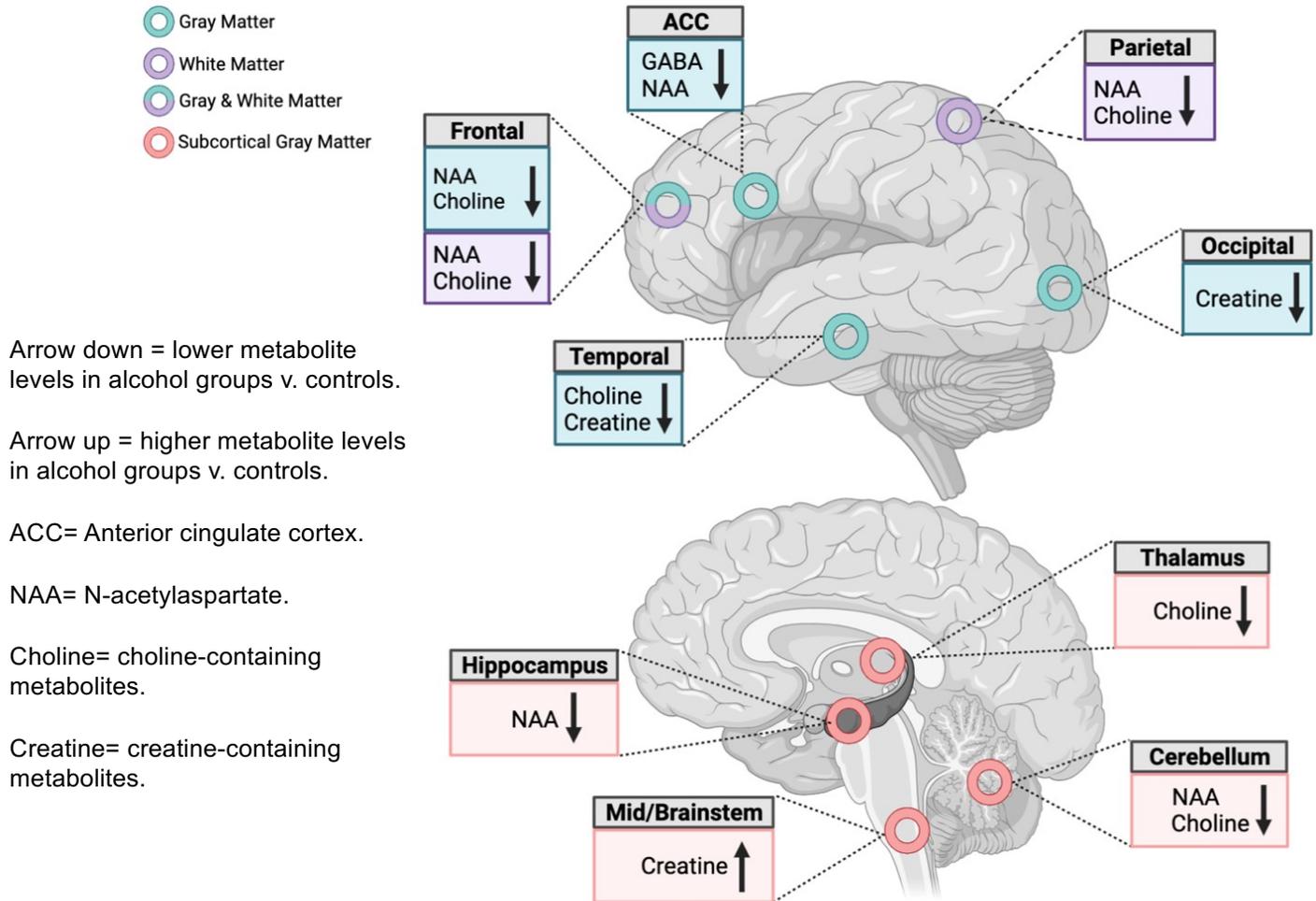


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Alcohol misuse and alcohol use disorder (AUD) have neurobiological consequences. This meta-analysis of proton magnetic resonance spectroscopy (MRS) studies aimed to assess the effects of alcohol misuse and AUD on brain metabolite levels relative to controls (PROSPERO registration: CRD42020209890). Hedge's g with random-effects modeling was used. A comprehensive literature review identified 43 studies, resulting in 69 models across gray and white matter. This figure shows the overall significant results across all brain regions and metabolites.