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Section V. Relation of activity of populations of receptors to parameters of stimuli; The representation of information about rapid changes in a population of receptor units signaling mechanical events; Discussion; The neural transformation of mechanical stimuli delivered to the monkey's hand; Discussion; General discussion of Section V; Factors affecting sensitivity of cutaneous mechanoreceptors; Minimal cortical input; Concluding Discussion; The neurohistology of touch, heat and pain; Pain and pain receptors; Lines for future research; Chairman's closing remarks; Author index; Subject index

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