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Review Intuitive Innovation: Unconventional Modeling and Systems Neurology

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Abstract: This review explores how intuitive processes drive innovation, defined as novel ideas, 1 inventions, or artistic creations that cannot be logically derived from existing knowledge or sensory 2 data. Although intuitive processes are not yet fully recognized as a formal area of scientific research, 3 this paper examines current approaches to their study and modeling. It highlights the necessity of 4 integrating unconventional modeling methods with neuroscience to gain deeper insights into these processes. Key experimental studies investigating extrasensory abilities—such as remote viewing, precognition, and telepathy—are reviewed, emphasizing their potential relevance to innovation. 7 We propose that combining these unconventional modeling approaches with insights from systems 8 neurology can provide new perspectives on the neural mechanisms underpinning intuition and 9 creativity. This review emphasizes the critical need for further research into intuitive processes to 10 address complex global challenges. It calls for a more open, interdisciplinary approach in scientific 11 inquiry, promoting exploration of unconventional forms of knowledge generation and their neural 12 correlates. 13

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1. Intuitive Contributions to Scientific Thought

This work begins by exploring historical events and quotes from renowned creative individuals, organized alphabetically by their last names. While these quotes are often old, they have rarely been used as a foundation for serious scientific investigation. Here, 19 they serve as an argument for the scientific exploration of intuitive processes that lead to 20 groundbreaking innovations. Such exploration could reduce the gap between the enormous 21 significance of these innovations and the inadequate scientific research on intuition. Below is an alphabetically ordered list of historical events and quotes that showcase the role and 23 significance of intuition in driving groundbreaking innovations.

Niels Bohr (Nobel Prize in Physics) developed his model of the atom in 1913, which describes electrons in specific, quantized orbits. His theories on electron path quantization were not based on experimental data but on an intuitive adaptation of Planck's quantum theory. Bohr's model revolutionized physics and laid the foundation for quantum mechanics [1]. Bohr famously remarked, "Every great idea starts as something impossible. If you only listen to reason, you will never create anything new" [2]. He also stated, "Truly original ideas do not emerge from a logical process, but from a sudden, intuitive insight" [2].

Johannes Brahms (German composer) acknowledged the divine nature of his inspiration: "I get my best ideas when I am in contact with God. It is not in my hands; I receive

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them" [3]. Brahms further expressed, "Great things do not come from us, but from above... ³⁵ When I look upwards, I often feel that I have received what I am meant to give to the ³⁶ people" [4]. ³⁷

Marie Curie (Nobel Prize in Physics and Chemistry) emphasized the importance of courage in defying conventions: "The greatest challenge lies not in using logic and reason but in the courage to defy conventions" [5]. She further stated, "The best discoveries do not come from logical thinking but from sudden insights that cannot always be explained" [5].

Albert Einstein (Nobel Prize in Physics) said that his thoughts on special and general 42 relativity were heavily influenced by intuitive insights and thought experiments, rather than 43 strict mathematical derivations. A famous example is his thought experiment involving a 44 man in free fall, which helped him develop the principle of equivalence, a central aspect of 45 general relativity [6]. Einstein expressed, "I believe in intuition and inspiration. Sometimes 46 I feel certain I am right, though I do not know the reason" [7]. He added, "The truly valuable 47 thing is intuition. I believe it is more important than knowledge" [7], and "The intuitive 48 mind is a sacred gift and the rational mind a faithful servant" [7]. Einstein also remarked, 49 "There is no logical way to the discovery of these elemental laws; there is only the way of 50 intuition, which is supported by a feeling for the underlying harmony of the universe" [8]. 51

Galileo Galilei stressed the necessity of breaking away from existing knowledge to discover new truths: "The discovery of a new truth often requires us to detach from what we already know and venture into the unknown" [9].

Vincent van Gogh (Dutch painter) reflected that inspiration comes when reason rests: "Inspiration comes when reason rests. Great works are not born of logical thinking but through an inner creative drive" [10].

August Kekulé discovered the ring structure of the benzene molecule in 1865 after a dream-like vision of a snake biting its own tail, which gave him the idea of a cyclic structure for benzene. This was a pivotal breakthrough in organic chemistry and served as the foundation for many later discoveries [11].

Johannes Kepler acknowledged the divine and intuitive nature of his discoveries: "I never make discoveries through rational methods. I consider them gifts from the gods, granted through intuition and imagination" [12].

Isaac Newton's discovery of the law of gravitation is often linked to the story of a falling apple. Though likely a legend, Newton himself described that by observing a falling apple, he realized that the same force pulling the apple to the ground also governs the moon's orbit. This was more of an intuitive insight than a result of pure logical reasoning [13]. He further said, "No great discovery was ever made without a bold guess" [14], and added, "The crucial moment of a discovery does not come from logical thinking, but from a sudden act of intuition, a flash that rises from the unconscious" [15]. Newton also noted, "One cannot solve a problem by always thinking in the same way. Creativity is necessary to find the path to new solutions" [15].

Blaise Pascal (French mathematician, physicist, inventor, philosopher, and theologian) 74 stated, "The mind can guide us, but only the heart and intuition can lead us to great 75 truths" [16]. Echoing this sentiment, Max Planck emphasized, "It is the imagination that 76 advances knowledge, not logic. If we rely only on logic, we will never break new ground" 77 [17]. Similarly, Henri Poincaré (French mathematician and philosopher) made the famous 78 distinction: "It is by logic that we prove, but by intuition that we discover" [18]. Auguste 79 **Rodin** (French sculptor and draughtsman) asserted, "Intuition is the driving force of art. 80 Reason alone can create nothing that truly lives" [19]. 81

Further supporting the importance of intuition, **Erwin Schrödinger** (Nobel Prize in Physics) said, "Those who only follow the intellect can never go beyond what is already known. It takes intuition and a certain amount of madness to discover something truly new" [20]. Finally, **Igor Stravinsky** (composer and conductor) declared, "In music, there is no place for reason. Music is pure intuition and feeling" [21].

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These quotes provide a compelling argument for the essential and primary importance of intuition in the creation of groundbreaking innovations. Logical reasoning and rational thought take a secondary role when compared to intuition in the intuitive process.

2. Intuitive Processes Leading to Innovations

In this section, we will explore the essential characteristics of intuitive processes and the innovations they generate. In contrast to other works with other definitions of intuition [22–24] we are guided by what is expressed by the quotations from the previous section.

First, we assume that an innovation represents a novelty (e.g., invention, discovery, 95 idea, information, artwork, etc.) that suddenly appears and cannot be logically derived 96 from the current state of knowledge or from existing skills and procedures. Nor is it a direct 97 consequence of external sensory impressions. This means that an innovation contradicts 98 at least one aspect of the current knowledge base or surpasses the boundaries of what 99 is known and previously possible. Notable examples of such innovations include the 100 automobile as a means of transport, the telephone as a communication medium, and the 101 computer as a computing device. Additionally, extrasensory perceptions from distant 102 locations or objects, known as "remote viewing", also fall into this category, as they provide 103 information that cannot be derived or explained through conventional means or logical 104 thinking. Unlike the first three examples, remote viewing is not a historical event, making 105 it more amenable to research. This will be discussed in greater detail in the following 106 sections. 107

An innovation cannot emerge from even the most extensive analyses of existing facts and environmental stimuli. However, as we will elaborate later, certain processes underpin innovations. We refer to these as intuitive processes, in line with the French mathematician and philosopher Henri Poincaré: "It is by logic that we prove, but by intuition that we discover" [18] and the general understanding of intuition: "Intuition is the (knowledge from) an ability to understand or know something immediately based on your feelings rather than facts." Cambridge Dictionary Online [25]. Fig. 1 summarizes the relations between an intuitive process and an innovation.



Figure 1. Innovations that arise through intuitive processes go beyond what is known and logically deducible. The arrow that represents the intuitive process runs in three different directions, indicating that intuitive processes can take place in several phases. According to the Production-Identification-Comprehension (PIC) emotional model by [26], these include: 1. Production: The generation of intuitive impressions. 2. Identification: Recognition of emotional signals related to the target. 3. Comprehension: Understanding and interpreting the signals to enhance outcomes.

However, not much is commonly known about intuitive processes, making it easier to describe them by what they are not. They do not involve searching, analyzing, thinking, or researching. Such activities can disrupt intuitive processes and hinder the emergence of innovations. They do not adhere to a performance principle along the lines of "the greater the effort, the greater the reward," but rather require a certain degree of neutrality and passivity.

The neglect surrounding intuitive processes often leads to innovations seeming to emerge from nowhere—unpredictable and coincidental. This is reflected in phrases like "eureka moment," "flash of inspiration," or "Aha effect."

While the occurrence of innovative results may appear random, this is not necessarily the case. As will be explained later, some individuals can achieve innovative results consistently over decades. Moreover, there are methods that enable those who learn them to trigger intuitive processes that lead to innovative results without having to wait for a "chance event."

The hypothesis that innovations are purely random products is also challenged by the frequently observed synchronicity in their emergence. For example, the automobile was simultaneously invented by Siegfried Marcus, Gottlieb Daimler, and Carl Benz, while the telephone was developed by Johann P. Reis, Elisha Gray, and Alexander G. Bell. The computer, similarly, saw contributions from Alan Turing, Konrad Zuse, and John von Neumann.

When an innovation emerges during an intuitive process, how the individual handles ¹³⁶ it is crucial. As mentioned above, this can create a conflict with the person's knowledge, ¹³⁷ experiences, and viewpoints. Essentially, they may respond to the innovation in two ways: ¹³⁸

- 1. If they regard their current knowledge and beliefs as paramount, they will feel com-139 pelled to eliminate the innovation and its logical contradictions. They may perceive 140 the innovation as impossible, ridiculous, absurd, or embarrassing, thereby distancing 141 themselves from the role of the inventor or creator. This reaction may be conscious or 142 unconscious, involving a dismissal of the logical contradiction along with the inno-143 vation itself. They sacrifice the innovation for the apparent perfection of the current 144 knowledge base. They maintain the status quo, remain conforming, go unnoticed, 145 and avoid further efforts, conflicts, and difficulties. 146
- If the person confronted with an innovation does not use their current knowledge as a benchmark for assessing the innovation, they can engage with the innovation without being bound to the contradiction between the two. They may embrace, document, express, and share the innovation with others. This opens up a new possibility: to expand, relativize, or renew the old knowledge with all the resulting consequences. The individual then becomes the inventor or creator of an innovation.

Those who are confronted with the innovation can respond like the inventor them-153 selves, opening themselves curiously to the novelty (e.g., new ideas), benefiting from it (e.g., 154 new technologies like the telephone and automobile or medical innovations), or enjoying it 155 (e.g., a piece of music). However, they may also react differently, particularly if they are 156 adequately or even exceptionally well-informed about the current state of knowledge or 157 are strongly convinced of their views. In such cases, the aforementioned contradiction 158 between the old knowledge and the innovation may lead them to consider the innovation 159 as insignificant or not viable for the future. 160

For instance, it is attributed to Kaiser Wilhelm II: "I believe in the horse. The automobile 161 is a temporary phenomenon." Similarly, Thomas J. Watson, then CEO of IBM, is reported 162 to have said, "I think there is a world market for maybe five computers." There are also 163 Well-documented events, for example from rocket technology. Hermann Oberth, one of the 164 founding fathers of modern rocket technology and space travel, submitted his dissertation 165 on the development of rockets for space travel at the University of Munich in 1922. The 166 dissertation addressed the possibility of using rockets to reach outer space. However, it was 167 rejected by the examiners because they considered his ideas too speculative and unrealistic. 168 Oberth subsequently developed his work further and published it in 1923 in book form 169

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under the title "Die Rakete zu den Planetenräumen." In this work, he laid out the theoretical foundations of space travel using rockets, which later contributed to the development of space technology. Initially dismissed by many as overly futuristic, his ideas were later recognized as groundbreaking. Ironically, Oberth's rejected thesis became a milestone in modern rocket technology, influencing pioneers like Wernher von Braun, who later played a key role in developing rockets for the American Apollo program [27,28].

A final, more modern and non-technical example of the success of an intuitive approach, which initially contradicted the opinions of experts, will conclude this section.

Mr. Rolando Santini, a Swiss architect of Italian descent, purchased a property near Florence and often sought advice from P. Lathan on personal and professional matters, trusting P. Lathan's intuitive insights. When Santini decided to convert part of his property into an olive plantation, he asked Lathan for guidance. Lathan recommended an unusual variety of olive trees deemed unsuitable by experts.

Following Lathan's unconventional advice, Santini planted 480 olive trees not in parallel rows but in a unique pattern: alternating positions across different directions, often over 20 meters apart. Understanding how farmers typically worked, Santini wisely stayed during the planting to ensure the farmers followed Lathan's recommendations, knowing they might have otherwise done it their own way.

Typically, about 20% of olive trees may not thrive after a few years; however, in this case, only 3 out of 480 trees dried out (see Fig. 2).



Figure 2. Santini olive plantation. Created in 1995 in Tuscany, Italy, through an intuitive approach under the direction of P. Lathan.

This exceptionally low rate is unusual for farmers, especially since the olive tree variety recommended by Lathan was deemed unsuitable and rejected (from unpublished personal communication with P. Lathan, 2024). After 20 years, Rolando Santini received an Excellence Award for the quality of his olive oil production! [29,30]

Of course, intuitively gained news, such as the one above, whose effectiveness is inexplicable, represents a challenge for corresponding theories and models, but also an opportunity to develop them further.

3. Former Experimental Methods for Understanding Intuitive Processes

This section reviews key experimental works on extrasensory abilities related to information acquisition and communication. While the term "intuitive processes" is introduced here, research findings support its relevance.

We briefly define several key concepts:

Remote Viewing: The claimed ability to perceive details about distant targets without known sensory channels, studied scientifically as part of extrasensory perception (ESP) [26,31].

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- **Precognition:** The ability to know future events without sensory channels or logical 205 inference, also categorized under ESP [26,31]. 206
- **Telepathy:** The claimed transmission of thoughts or emotions between minds without 207 known sensory channels, considered a form of ESP [26,31]. 208
- **Clairvoyance:** The ability to obtain information about objects or events through means beyond the known senses, classified under ESP [26,31].
- Correlations Between Brains: Similarities in brain activity observed during shared tasks, studied using neuroimaging techniques like fMRI and EEG to explore brain interconnectedness in social contexts and ESP [26,31].

The development of electroencephalography (EEG) by Hans Berger in 1929 revolution-214 ized neuroscience by enabling direct measurement of neuronal communication. His work 215 laid the foundation for understanding brain function and remains crucial in researching 216 extrasensory phenomena through various EEG-based studies. 217

3.1. Physiological and EEG Studies

Thomas Duane's 1965 study, "Extrasensory Electroencephalographic Induction Between 219 Identical Twins" [32], examined potential extrasensory perception (ESP) in identical twins 220 using EEG measurements. Duane observed that EEG patterns in one twin occasionally 221 responded to stimuli given to the other, suggesting a possible non-sensory connection. 222 However, these findings were met with skepticism due to replication issues and concerns 223 about experimental controls. 224

The 2005 paper "Replicable Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Evidence of Correlated 225 Brain Signals Between Physically and Sensory Isolated Subjects" [33] by Richards explores 226 whether brain activity can correlate between physically separated individuals who are 227 isolated from sensory input. The study aimed to provide evidence for non-local communi-228 cation, a concept often linked to extrasensory perception (ESP). Pairs of subjects were placed 229 in separate fMRI scanners and tasked with cognitive and emotional exercises. Despite 230 complete sensory isolation, the results showed statistically significant correlations in brain 231 activity between the subjects. 232

Building on this, Brusewitz's 2024 research [34] explored physiological connections be-233 tween twins, using heart rate, skin conductance, and EEG synchrony. The results indicated a potential bond linked to emotional attachment, offering insights into both physiological 235 and possible extrasensory communication.

3.2. Non-Sensory Information Transmission

In their 1974 study, "Information Transmission Under Conditions of Sensory Shielding" [31], Russell Targ and Harold Puthoff explored extrasensory information transfer by isolating individuals from sensory input. Subjects, including psychic Uri Geller, successfully described hidden drawings and remote scenes, suggesting communication beyond known sensory channels.

In a 1976 follow-up [35], Targ and Puthoff extended their research, demonstrating 243 remote viewing in which subjects perceived distant locations or objects. They proposed that 244 this phenomenon might involve low-frequency electromagnetic waves. Despite controversy, 245 these studies opened discussions on non-local communication and human perception limits. 246

3.3. Critique of Remote Viewing

David Marks' 1978 critique [36] of Targ and Puthoff's remote viewing experiments 248 revealed subtle experimental cues that may have influenced results, suggesting sensory 249 leakage rather than ESP. In his replication studies, Marks found no evidence of remote 250 viewing when these cues were removed. 251

Balanovski's 1978 article [37] further examined the role of electromagnetism in ESP 252 but found no abnormal signals during alleged ESP events, challenging the theory that 253 electromagnetism explains such phenomena. Both critiques emphasized the need for strict 254 experimental controls in ESP research. 255

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3.4. The Nathal Method

The Nathal method, developed in 1980 by Prof. Dr. Gertje Lathan and Philippe 257 Lathan, emphasizes training individuals to systematically initiate and maintain intuitive 258 processes through structured dialogue without depending on random events [38]. In the 259 1990s, the physicist and psychologist Dr. G. Haffelder determined the effectiveness of this 260 method through extensive EEG measurements practitioners (see Fig. 3). Among other



Figure 3. fMRI measurements with P. Lathan (left) and results from EEG analyses (right).

things, he observed a rapid synchronization of both brain hemispheres in certain frequency 262 bands. He writes: "Due to the type of training, this synchronization is not only achieved quickly, but also further strengthened and charged with energy, so that it leads even test 264 subjects without many years of training or previous experience into areas that, according to previous measurements and studies, were only reserved for people with exceptional gifts 266 and talents." [39].

The method is designed for practical application, facilitating intuitive proceeding in 268 diverse real-world contexts as well as in research and development. One example of this 269 is the multi-purpose supply containers developed and patented by Nathal Energy using the Nathal method for the self-sufficient, environmentally friendly production of drinking water and electricity [40]. Central to the Nathal method is the concept of supra-dialogue, wherein communication is rooted in the emotions expressed and verbally articulated during the process. These emotions, alongside accompanying sensory perceptions, serve as indicators to guide the intuitive journey.

Recent studies have experimentally investigated the role of emotions. For instance, Escola-Gascon [26] analyzes the CIA's remote viewing (RV) research from the 1970s and 277 1980s. The study examines how emotional intelligence affects RV success, involving 634 participants categorized as believers or nonbelievers in psychic phenomena.

The research highlights that emotional intelligence, particularly experiential aspects, 280 significantly impacts RV success. Findings indicate that heightened emotional awareness 281 may improve RV performance, while negative emotions or anxiety could hinder it. Escola-282 Gascon proposes the Production-Identification-Comprehension (PIC) emotional model 283 to explain these results and calls for further investigation into the relationship between 284 emotions and ESP abilities. 285

4. Integrative Approach to Exploring Intuitive Processes

Efforts to explain and model intuitive processes are still in their early stages and 287 require new approaches across various levels of abstraction. In addition to developing 288 suitable experimental designs and evaluation methods, fundamental concepts such as 289

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matter, time, and space also need to be re-examined. An integrative approach should meet 290 the following requirements: 291

- 1. It should provide consistent terminology that resolves the contradictions that have 292 arisen with classical concepts of time, space, matter, etc. There are already promising 293 approaches to this [41,42]. 294
- 2. Contributions from various sciences need to be integrated, including neuroscience, but also quantum physics [43-45], genetics [46,47] and possibly others.
- 3. **Different types of data must be integrated**, including measurement data (from EEG, fMRI,etc.), simulation results and models. Chemical organization theory (COT) [48– 50] is particularly suitable for this, as it has already been used successfully in various 299 areas of systems biology [51-54]. It is also designed in such a way that it allows the integration of new relevant components into its framework at any time. We will go into more detail about COT below.
- The role of emotions in intuitive processes, recognized early on [35] ("Most of the 4. 303 correct information that subjects relate is of a nonanalytic nature pertaining to shape, 304 form, color, and material rather than to function or name. This aspect suggests a 305 hypothesis that information transmission under conditions of sensory shielding may 306 be mediated primarily by the brain's right hemisphere."), is further supported by 307 practical applications like the Nathal method and has recently been incorporated into 308 models such as the Production-Identification-Comprehension (PIC) emotional model 309 by [26]. 310
- 5. Experimentally, methods must enable systematic investigation of intuitive pro-311 cesses without over-reliance on random events. As previously discussed, the systems 312 approach fulfills these criteria. This section concludes with proposed experiments 313 utilizing the systems approach to investigate correlations between neurological and 314 other measurement data, which are more informative than measurements conducted 315 without reference. 316

Modeling in systems neurology is essential for understanding the complex dynamics 317 of brain function, particularly in abstract processes like intuition, emotions, and decision-318 making. These processes parallel the intricacies found in biological systems such as cell 319 cycle checkpoints or mitotic division, where numerous molecular components interact in 320 nonlinear ways [53,55]. However, systems neurology is even more complex, as discussed 321 in previous sections, due to additional factors like intuition and emotion, which introduce 322 layers of unpredictability and subjectivity into the modeling process. In biological systems, 323 conventional models like differential equations often struggle to manage the combinatorial 324 complexity of various protein states and interactions [56,57]. Similarly, in systems neurol-325 ogy, the complexity of neuronal interactions, synaptic plasticity, and biochemical signaling 326 can be difficult to capture with classical methods. 327

Unconventional modeling approaches, such as rule-based methods [58–60] or alge-328 braic models [61,62], offer solutions by effectively handling combinatorial complexity 329 without requiring extensive kinetic data, which can be challenging to obtain experimentally. 330 These methods allow for flexible representations of complex feedback loops and emergent 331 behaviors in the system, making them particularly suited for systems neurology. They can 332 simulate the non-linear and dynamic nature of brain processes, providing deeper insights 333 into how neurological systems function-much like how similar approaches have advanced 334 our understanding of regulatory mechanisms in cell division [53]. 335

Our review builds on existing integrative frameworks, such as Alexandre's "A Global 336 Framework for a Systemic View of Brain Modeling" [63], which highlights the brain as an 337 interconnected system. This framework emphasizes the interplay of sensorimotor loops 338 and the critical interactions among various brain regions in cognitive functions. By unifying 339 diverse modeling techniques, it enhances our understanding of the neural mechanisms 340 underlying cognitive processes [64,65]. Our work aims to contribute to these insights and 341 develop comprehensive models reflecting the complexity of brain function. 342

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This integrative framework emphasizes the interconnectedness of brain functions, 343 highlighting the complexity of neural interactions. Its significance extends beyond basic 344 understanding, as it has profound implications for advancing research in neuroscience, psy-345 chology, and artificial intelligence. By fostering interdisciplinary collaboration, researchers 346 can develop more comprehensive models that reflect the intricate dynamics of brain func-347 tion. Furthermore, advancements in technology and data analysis methods will enhance 348 the accuracy of these representations. As an illustrative example of such a framework, 349 Chemical Organization Theory (COT) will be discussed shortly in what follows. 350

Building on the aforementioned framework, Chemical Organization Theory (COT) exemplifies key properties for effectively modeling intuitive processes:

- 1. It uses a simple scheme of reaction equations, versatile enough to integrate aspects from various research areas [50,54]. 354
- 2. It enables the expansion and integration of models with new components [49,56].
- 3. It combines different levels of modeling, including measurement data analysis and dynamic systems [51,52,66].

COT is applicable across diverse fields, such as virus dynamics[51,52], the cell cycle[67–70], and chemical processes in the Martian atmosphere, showcasing its versatility in integrating relevant aspects of intuitive processes.

Analysis of complex reaction networks reveals organizations as key subsystems characterized by two properties:

- They are **closed**, meaning no reactions produce new components not already present.
- They are self-sustaining, indicating that all components consumed in reactions can be regenerated.

Mathematically, organizations define the behavior of dynamic systems, where every persistent subsystem corresponds to an organization. This framework captures phenomena like stationary states, feedback loops, and system coexistence.

Dynamic systems can be modeled using ordinary or partial differential equations, 369 patch-like systems, or stochastic differential equations. A significant advantage of analyzing 370 organizations is that specific reaction parameters need not be known, thus avoiding complex 371 simulations. COT bridges quantitative data with qualitative models, facilitating multi-level 372 modeling essential for intuitive processes. It supports the integration of new components 373 or dimensions into systems, addressing the requirements for modeling intuitive processes 374 and innovations. In summary, COT provides a robust, network-based framework that 375 enhances interdisciplinary research and modeling of intuitive processes. 376

5. Conclusions and Emerging Directions in Intuition Research

This work has explored intuitive processes as a pivotal source of innovation, drawing 378 upon historical examples and insights from notable creative and innovative figures. By 379 tracing the evolution of research since the mid-20th century, particularly following the 380 advent of electroencephalography (EEG) and other brain measurement techniques, we 381 have illuminated the complex interplay between intuition and creativity. Studies examining 382 extrasensory abilities, such as those conducted at the Stanford Research Institute, have un-383 derscored the significance of intuitive processes as foundational elements in understanding 384 not only creativity but also extraordinary human capabilities. 385

To advance our comprehension of intuitive processes and their role in innovation, 386 several key challenges must be addressed. First, these processes often manifest as seem-387 ingly random events, complicating systematic research efforts. Second, they challenge 388 conventional, materialistic paradigms of time, space, and matter, demanding a reevaluation of established scientific frameworks. Third, the interdisciplinary nature of this research is 390 hampered by the increasing specialization within relevant fields, which can isolate insights 391 and hinder collaborative approaches. Furthermore, skepticism and controversy surround-392 ing these phenomena may deter researchers from engaging with them, highlighting the 393 need for a more open and explorative scientific discourse. Lastly, the technical tools nec-394

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essary for rigorous investigation of intuitive processes are relatively new and are not yet widely accessible or affordable. 395

Looking ahead, integrating insights from various scientific disciplines and employing 397 unconventional modeling methods could pave the way for more comprehensive studies. 398 Systems neurology is analogous to systems biology in its goal of integrating experimental 399 and modeling work; however, it differs in the complexity of neurological experiments 400 related to intuition and emotion, which often necessitate unconventional modeling ap-401 proaches. Emphasizing the intersection of intuitive processes and neuroscience may unlock 402 new avenues for understanding the neural mechanisms that underpin creativity and in-403 novation. Future research should strive to create an inclusive scientific dialogue that 404 encourages exploration of intuitive phenomena while also critically evaluating existing 405 paradigms. By fostering a collaborative environment among researchers from diverse fields, 406 we can enhance our understanding of the complexities of intuition, ultimately addressing 407 the pressing global challenges of our time. 408

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