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Author's Abstract

The forced circling produced by rotation of the eye-  
ball <sup>in *Sphaerocera pens.*</sup> was found to survive bilateral ablation of the fore-  
brain, the cerebellum, and the inferior lobes of the in-  
fundibulum, or the combined ablation of any 2 of the 3, or  
~~and finally total ablation~~ of all 3. It also sur-  
vived bilateral extirpation of the labyrinths plus sever-  
ance of all extraocular muscles. Ablation of the optic  
lobe of the rotated eye abolished the circling. Con-  
versely, the circling could be evoked in animals with only  
one eye rotated by ablation of the optic lobe of the con-  
tralateral eye. The results point to the optic lobe as  
the primary integrative center. They also raise the pos-  
sibility that a corollary discharge of motor patterns into  
the sensorium may play an important adjustor role in the  
visual perception of movement along with non-retinal  
kinesthetic and postural influences from the periphery.