OBJECTIVE DETERMINATION OF CHRONIC PAIN IN PATIENTS

ABSTRACT

A method for objectively determining if a patient suffers chronic pain by initially observing a multiplicity of persons who are free of chronic pain and subjecting them to a given pain stimulus. Radiofrequency (RF) emissions generated by the brains of the persons who are free of chronic pain while they are subjected to the pain stimulus are measured and a chart in the form of an average f-MRI image for all such persons is prepared which statistically reflects pain while subjected to the pain stimulus.

Fig. 1