

Table 3. Estimated cost of mammalian cerebral cortex and cerebellum.

Cerebral cortex				
Number of neurons	Total glucose use per minute ($\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}$)	Total glucose use per day ($\mu\text{mol}/\text{day}$)	Total glucose use per day (g/day)	Total caloric cost per day (kCal/day)
1 million	0.015	21.6	0.0039	0.016
10 million	0.150	216	0.039	0.155
Smoky shrew, 10 million ¹	0.150	216	0.039	0.155
Mouse, 13 million ²	0.195	280.8	0.050	0.202
Rat, 31 million ²	0.465	669.6	0.120	0.48
100 million	1.500	2160	0.389	1.56
Agouti, 112 million ²	1.680	2419	0.435	1.74
Marmoset, 245 million ³	3.675	5292	0.952	3.81
Capybara, 306 million ²	4.590	6610	1.190	4.76
Owl monkey, 442 million ³	6.630	9547	1.718	6.87
1 billion	15.0	21600	3.89	15.55
Macaque, 1.7 billion ³	25.5	36720	6.61	26.44
Baboon, 2.9 billion ⁴	43.5	62640	11.28	45.10
Orangutan, 5.5 billion ⁵	82.5	118800	21.38	85.5
10 billion	150	216000	38.88	155.5
Human, 16 billion ⁶	240	345600	62.21	248.8
100 billion	1500	2160000	388.8	1555.2
Cerebellum				
Number of neurons	Total glucose use per minute ($\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}$)	Total glucose use per day ($\mu\text{mol}/\text{day}$)	Total glucose use per day (g/day)	Total caloric cost per day (kCal/day)
1 million	0.000873	1.257	0.00023	0.00009
10 million	0.00873	12.57	0.0023	0.0090
Smoky shrew, 21 million ¹	0.018	26.40	0.0048	0.0190
Mouse, 42 million ²	0.037	52.80	0.0095	0.0380
100 million	0.0873	125.7	0.023	0.090
Rat, 140 million ²	0.122	176.0	0.032	0.127
Marmoset, 360 million ³	0.314	452.6	0.081	0.326
Agouti, 680 million ²	0.594	854.8	0.154	0.615
1 billion	0.873	1257.1	0.226	0.905
Owl monkey ³ , capybara, 1.1 billion ²	0.960	1382.8	0.249	0.996
Macaque, 4.6 billion ³	4.02	5782.8	1.041	4.16
Baboon, 8.0 billion ⁴	6.98	10057.0	1.810	7.24
10 billion	8.73	12571.2	2.26	9.05
Orangutan, 23 billion ⁵	20.1	28913.8	5.21	20.8
Human, 69 billion ⁶	60.2	86741.3	15.61	62.4
100 billion	87.3	125712	22.63	90.5

¹From (39);²From (23);³From (24);⁴From (25);⁵Estimated as 1/3 the number of neurons in the human cerebral cortex;⁶From (26).

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