

## **Supplementary Material**

### **Directional uncertainty in chase and escape dynamics**

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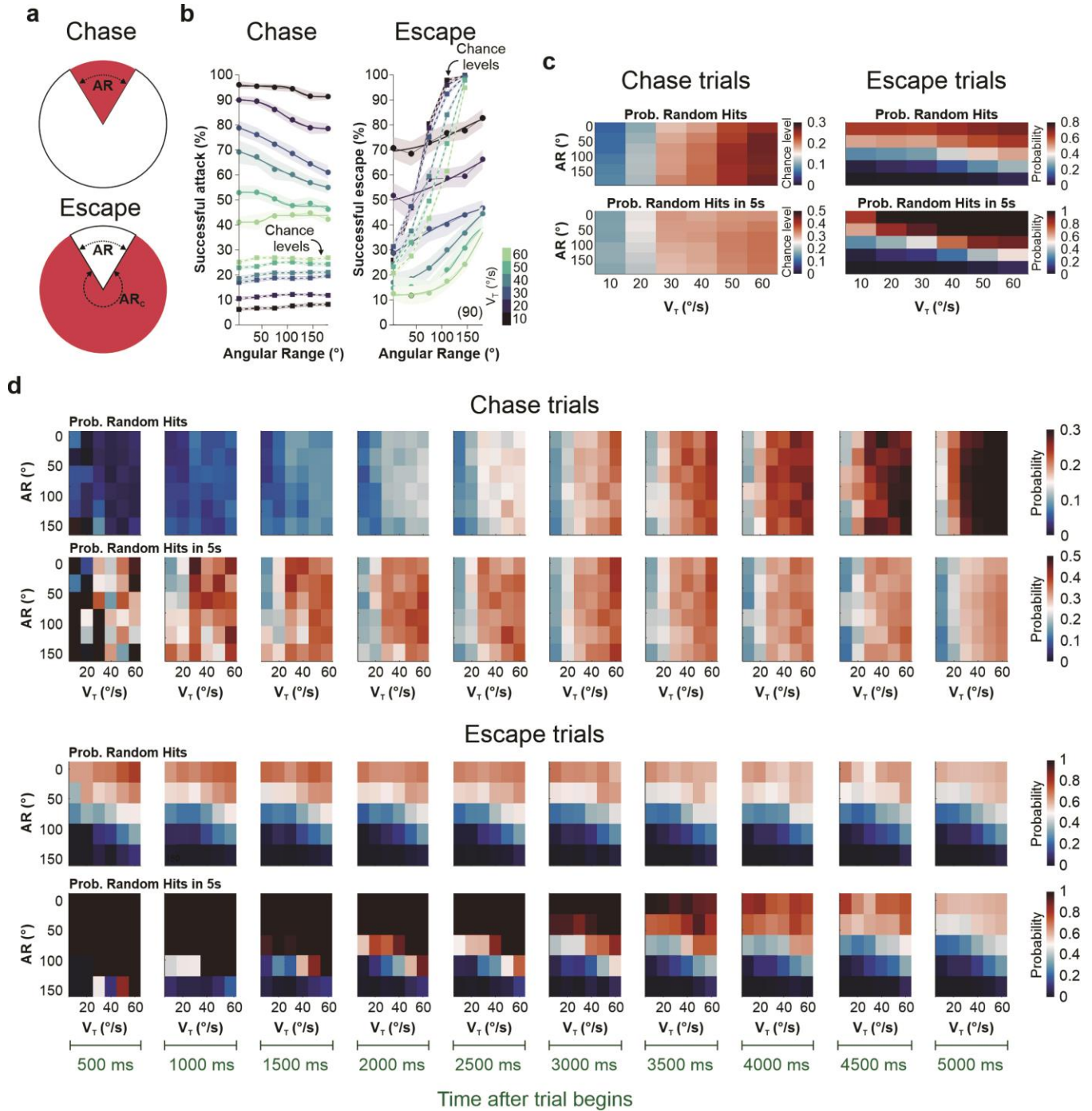
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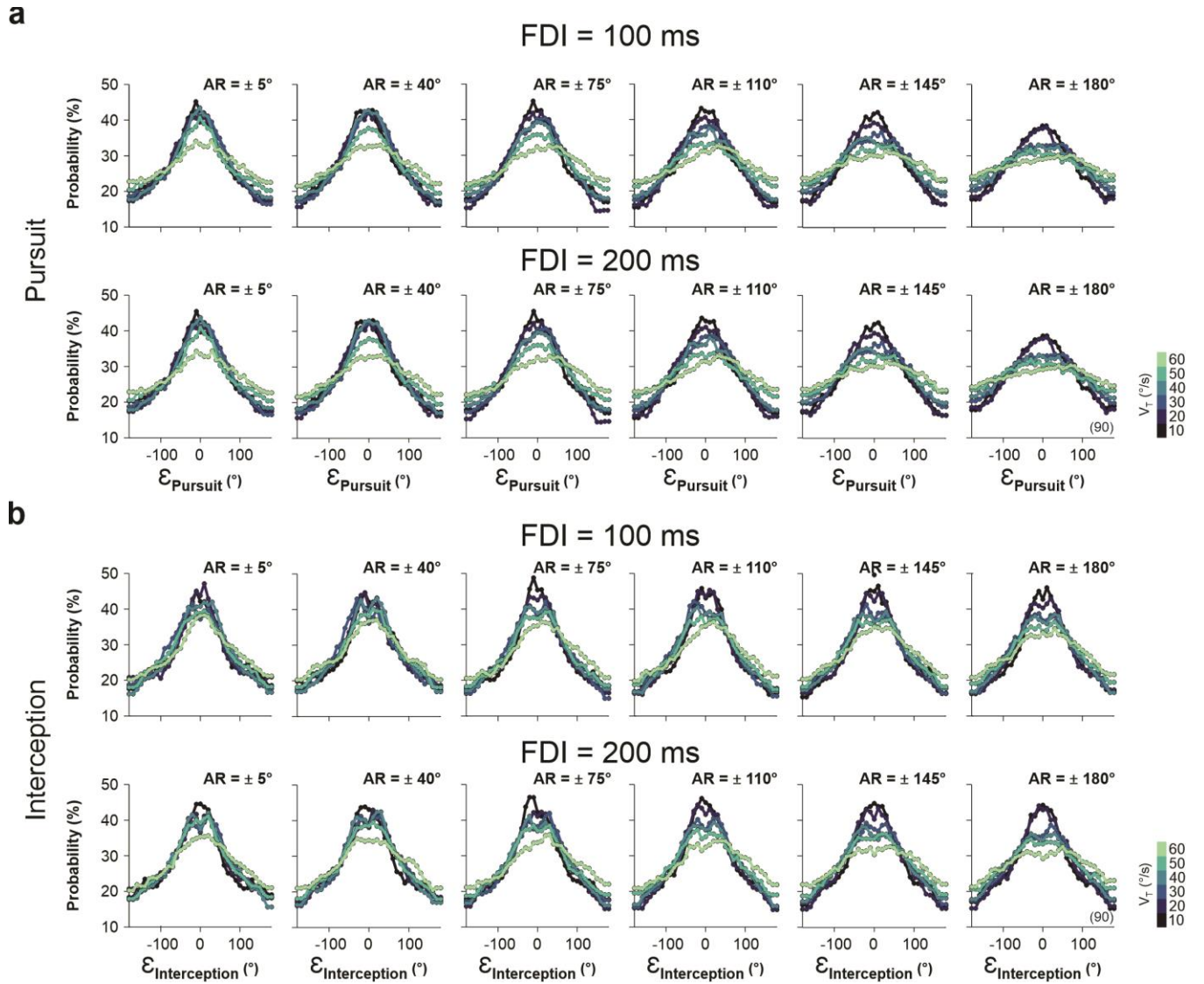
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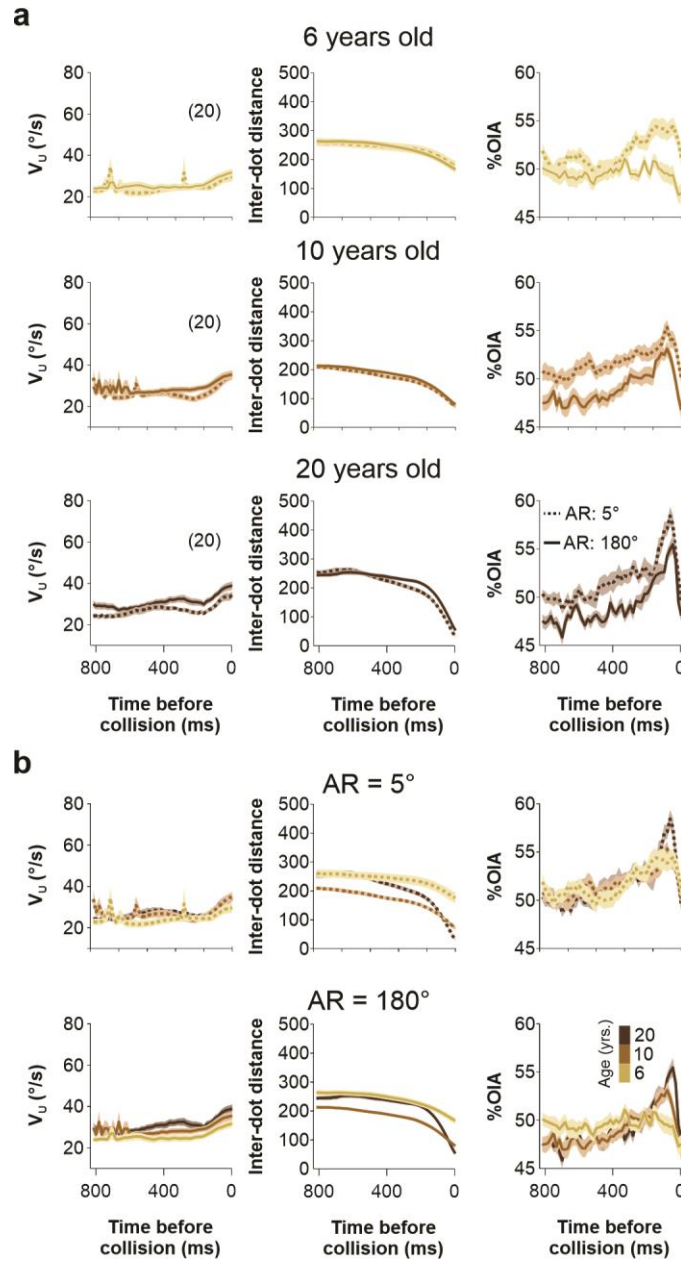
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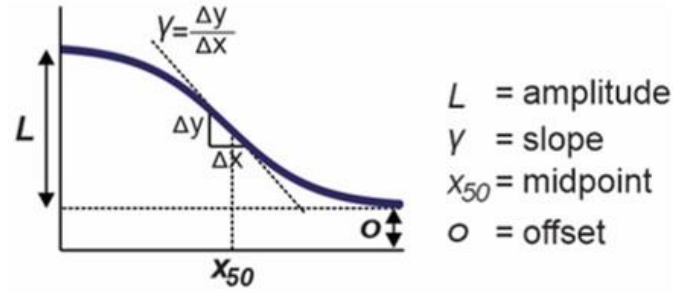
**Supplementary Figure 1.** Estimating random collisions in chasing and escaping experiments. **a** Random collisions in chase trials were estimated by simulating alternative computer trajectories using the same  $v_T$  and AR as those used for the original trials (upper panel). For escape trials, we calculated random collisions by using the same  $v_T$  and AR<sub>c</sub> (the complement of AR; lower panel; see **Methods**). **b** Psychometric curves from groups of participants solving the chase (right) and escape trials (left). Squares represent chance levels obtained by calculating random collisions. **c** Color panels show the probability of random collision during the analyzed trials (*i.e.*, using paths from the actual traces; upper panels), and the probability of random collision in a time window of 5 s (equivalent to max. trial duration). Both probability colormaps are shown as a function of AR and  $v_T$  with an FDI = 100 ms. **d** Similar analyses as before but breaking them down into cumulative 500 ms windows, from the beginning of the trial to the max duration of a trial. Labels for the corresponding time windows on the bottom. Number of participants in parentheses.



*Supplementary Figure 2.* Gaussian fits to tracking and interception distributions of angular errors. This figure is complementary to *Figure 4b*. The panels show the Gaussian fits to the observed distributions of angular errors for pursuit (**a**) and interception (**b**) errors (see **Methods**). Colorbar represents  $v_r$ . Number of participants per experiment in parentheses.



*Supplementary Figure 3.* Changes in chasing/escaping  $v_U$  and IDD through development. This figure is complementary to *Figure 6c,d*. **a** Collision triggered averages of user speed ( $v_U$ ), inter-dot distance (IDD), and %OIA (see **Method**) before colliding with the target from infants and youngsters belonging to three groups: 5, 10 and 20 years of age. **b** Same analysis but with over imposed traces for the different age groups, which are represented in the colorbar to the right. Number of participants in parentheses.



### Chase

$V_{CT}$	FDI = 100 ms					FDI = 200 ms					n
	$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$o$		$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$o$		
10	0.13 ± 0.06	0.45 ± 0.10	67.81 ± 8.394	0.87 ± 0.03		0.12 ± 0.06	0.44 ± 0.11	94.89 ± 15.90	0.92 ± 0.03		15
20	0.21 ± 0.05	0.27 ± 0.09	97.74 ± 16.46	0.76 ± 0.02		0.24 ± 0.07	0.39 ± 0.10	90.69 ± 16.24	0.78 ± 0.03		15
30	0.19 ± 0.02	0.35 ± 0.09	79.94 ± 9.72	0.60 ± 0.02		0.15 ± 0.03	0.52 ± 0.11	73.96 ± 9.35	0.64 ± 0.03		15
40	0.30 ± 0.09	0.49 ± 0.10	108.91 ± 13.96	0.51 ± 0.03		0.31 ± 0.09	0.42 ± 0.10	97.39 ± 14.14	0.52 ± 0.05		15
50	0.20 ± 0.06	0.46 ± 0.10	104.75 ± 14.84	0.41 ± 0.04		0.23 ± 0.07	0.53 ± 0.08	109.70 ± 17.38	0.47 ± 0.03		15
60	0.16 ± 0.06	0.51 ± 0.11	93.01 ± 14.96	0.35 ± 0.03		0.09 ± 0.02	0.69 ± 0.09	99.74 ± 11.49	0.39 ± 0.01		15

### Escape

$V_{CT}$	FDI = 100 ms					FDI = 200 ms					n
	$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$o$		$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$o$		
10	0.31 ± 0.07	0.59 ± 0.09	108.48 ± 13.22	0.65 ± 0.05		0.33 ± 0.07	0.46 ± 0.09	122.25 ± 12.37	0.51 ± 0.03		15
20	0.31 ± 0.07	0.60 ± 0.09	99.19 ± 11.63	0.45 ± 0.04		0.37 ± 0.06	0.45 ± 0.07	124.70 ± 12.55	0.32 ± 0.02		15
30	0.29 ± 0.06	0.60 ± 0.07	96.87 ± 10.72	0.27 ± 0.04		0.44 ± 0.06	0.50 ± 0.08	119.17 ± 11.42	0.21 ± 0.03		15
40	0.42 ± 0.07	0.41 ± 0.08	124.56 ± 10.58	0.16 ± 0.03		0.45 ± 0.06	0.33 ± 0.08	125.48 ± 9.21	0.17 ± 0.03		15
50	0.45 ± 0.08	0.39 ± 0.08	143.88 ± 9.26	0.13 ± 0.03		0.47 ± 0.06	0.40 ± 0.07	119.93 ± 12.05	0.14 ± 0.03		15
60	0.35 ± 0.06	0.41 ± 0.09	143.38 ± 9.73	0.11 ± 0.03		0.53 ± 0.06	0.28 ± 0.08	115.71 ± 10.22	0.12 ± 0.03		15

*Supplementary Table 1.* Parameter fits from the psychometric curves from chasing and escaping experiments. This table shows averages ± S.E.M.



Chase									
$V_{CT}$	FDI = 100 ms				FDI = 200 ms				n
	$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$\sigma$	$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$\sigma$	
10	$0.05 \pm 0.01$	0.46	$74.70 \pm 6.80$	$0.91 \pm 0.01$	$0.05 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$79.67 \pm 12.74$	$0.94 \pm 0.01$	15
20	$0.11 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$80.08 \pm 6.24$	$0.79 \pm 0.02$	$0.09 \pm 0.01$	0.46	$77.03 \pm 7.80$	$0.84 \pm 0.01$	15
30	$0.15 \pm 0.01$	0.46	$89.42 \pm 6.78$	$0.63 \pm 0.02$	$0.11 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$78.48 \pm 8.61$	$0.67 \pm 0.03$	15
40	$0.17 \pm 0.03$	0.46	$95.83 \pm 10.54$	$0.55 \pm 0.02$	$0.16 \pm 0.03$	0.46	$98.80 \pm 11.42$	$0.58 \pm 0.04$	15
50	$0.08 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$86.41 \pm 10.48$	$0.46 \pm 0.02$	$0.15 \pm 0.04$	0.46	$88.62 \pm 12.91$	$0.47 \pm 0.03$	15
60	$0.14 \pm 0.05$	0.46	$79.57 \pm 10.73$	$0.38 \pm 0.02$	$0.08 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$87.93 \pm 10.22$	$0.39 \pm 0.01$	15

Escape									
$V_{CT}$	FDI = 100 ms				FDI = 200 ms				n
	$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$\sigma$	$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$\sigma$	
10	$0.14 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$89.95 \pm 8.72$	$0.68 \pm 0.04$	$0.17 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$80.42 \pm 7.82$	$0.50 \pm 0.03$	15
20	$0.18 \pm 0.03$	0.46	$82.68 \pm 8.42$	$0.47 \pm 0.04$	$0.26 \pm 0.04$	0.46	$109.27 \pm 8.05$	$0.32 \pm 0.02$	15
30	$0.23 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$88.28 \pm 9.50$	$0.28 \pm 0.04$	$0.26 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$92.41 \pm 7.74$	$0.24 \pm 0.03$	15
40	$0.25 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$99.43 \pm 7.65$	$0.17 \pm 0.03$	$0.31 \pm 0.03$	0.46	$114.24 \pm 7.12$	$0.20 \pm 0.03$	15
50	$0.26 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$124.20 \pm 5.62$	$0.14 \pm 0.03$	$0.30 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$101.68 \pm 8.14$	$0.17 \pm 0.03$	15
60	$0.29 \pm 0.05$	0.46	$125.69 \pm 7.54$	$0.11 \pm 0.03$	$0.34 \pm 0.02$	0.46	$97.22 \pm 6.41$	$0.15 \pm 0.03$	15

*Supplementary Table 2.* Parameter fits from the psychometric curves from chasing and escaping experiments with a fixed  $\gamma$  for all groups. This table shows averages  $\pm$  S.E.M.

Chase									
$V_{CT}$	FDI = 100 ms				FDI = 200 ms				n
	$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$\sigma$	$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$\sigma$	
10	$0.37 \pm 0.12$	$0.29 \pm 0.12$	93.74	$0.76 \pm 0.06$	$0.33 \pm 0.11$	$0.34 \pm 0.13$	93.74	$0.79 \pm 0.05$	15
20	$0.37 \pm 0.11$	$0.20 \pm 0.10$	93.74	$0.66 \pm 0.05$	$0.52 \pm 0.12$	$0.28 \pm 0.12$	93.74	$0.63 \pm 0.06$	15
30	$0.38 \pm 0.11$	$0.29 \pm 0.12$	93.74	$0.52 \pm 0.06$	$0.40 \pm 0.12$	$0.24 \pm 0.11$	93.74	$0.53 \pm 0.06$	15
40	$0.48 \pm 0.12$	$0.23 \pm 0.11$	93.74	$0.39 \pm 0.06$	$0.45 \pm 0.11$	$0.16 \pm 0.09$	93.74	$0.42 \pm 0.06$	15
50	$0.36 \pm 0.10$	$0.22 \pm 0.11$	93.74	$0.32 \pm 0.05$	$0.57 \pm 0.11$	$0.15 \pm 0.09$	93.74	$0.24 \pm 0.06$	15
60	$0.37 \pm 0.10$	$0.10 \pm 0.07$	93.74	$0.24 \pm 0.05$	$0.18 \pm 0.08$	$0.32 \pm 0.12$	93.74	$0.34 \pm 0.04$	15

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$V_{CT}$	FDI = 100 ms				FDI = 200 ms				n
	$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$\sigma$	$L$	$\gamma$	$x_{50}$	$\sigma$	
10	$0.29 \pm 0.09$	$0.20 \pm 0.08$	93.74	$0.60 \pm 0.05$	$0.33 \pm 0.11$	$0.34 \pm 0.13$	93.74	$0.79 \pm 0.05$	15
20	$0.50 \pm 0.09$	$0.23 \pm 0.09$	93.74	$0.32 \pm 0.05$	$0.52 \pm 0.12$	$0.28 \pm 0.12$	93.74	$0.63 \pm 0.06$	15
30	$0.47 \pm 0.07$	$0.18 \pm 0.08$	93.74	$0.15 \pm 0.04$	$0.40 \pm 0.12$	$0.24 \pm 0.11$	93.74	$0.53 \pm 0.06$	15
40	$0.41 \pm 0.06$	$0.18 \pm 0.08$	93.74	$0.08 \pm 0.02$	$0.45 \pm 0.11$	$0.16 \pm 0.09$	93.74	$0.42 \pm 0.06$	15
50	$0.27 \pm 0.03$	$0.18 \pm 0.07$	93.74	$0.10 \pm 0.03$	$0.57 \pm 0.11$	$0.15 \pm 0.09$	93.74	$0.24 \pm 0.06$	15
60	$0.24 \pm 0.04$	$0.19 \pm 0.08$	93.74	$0.08 \pm 0.03$	$0.18 \pm 0.08$	$0.32 \pm 0.12$	93.74	$0.34 \pm 0.04$	15

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