Neuroscientists reveal magicians’ secrets

For years, magic has been a mystery to many scientists. Now, a team from New York University has uncovered the secrets behind magicians' tricks.

The study, led by Professor Sarah-Jane Hotchin, a neuroscientist, and her team, used functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) to analyze the brain activity of magicians and non-magicians while they were performing tricks.

The results showed that magicians have a unique ability to control their brain's attention and memory systems. This allows them to create the illusion of impossible actions.

Professor Hotchin explained, "We found that magicians have a heightened ability to manipulate their own attention, which allows them to create the illusion of impossible actions. This is something that non-magicians simply cannot do."