

Towards Big Data in Radiation Oncology

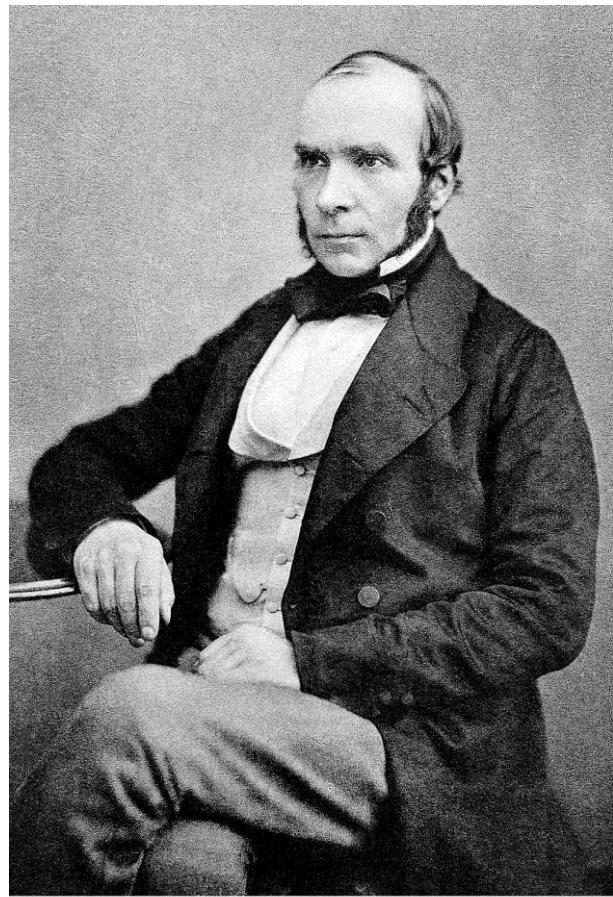
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50 Years – Research for
A Life Without Cancer



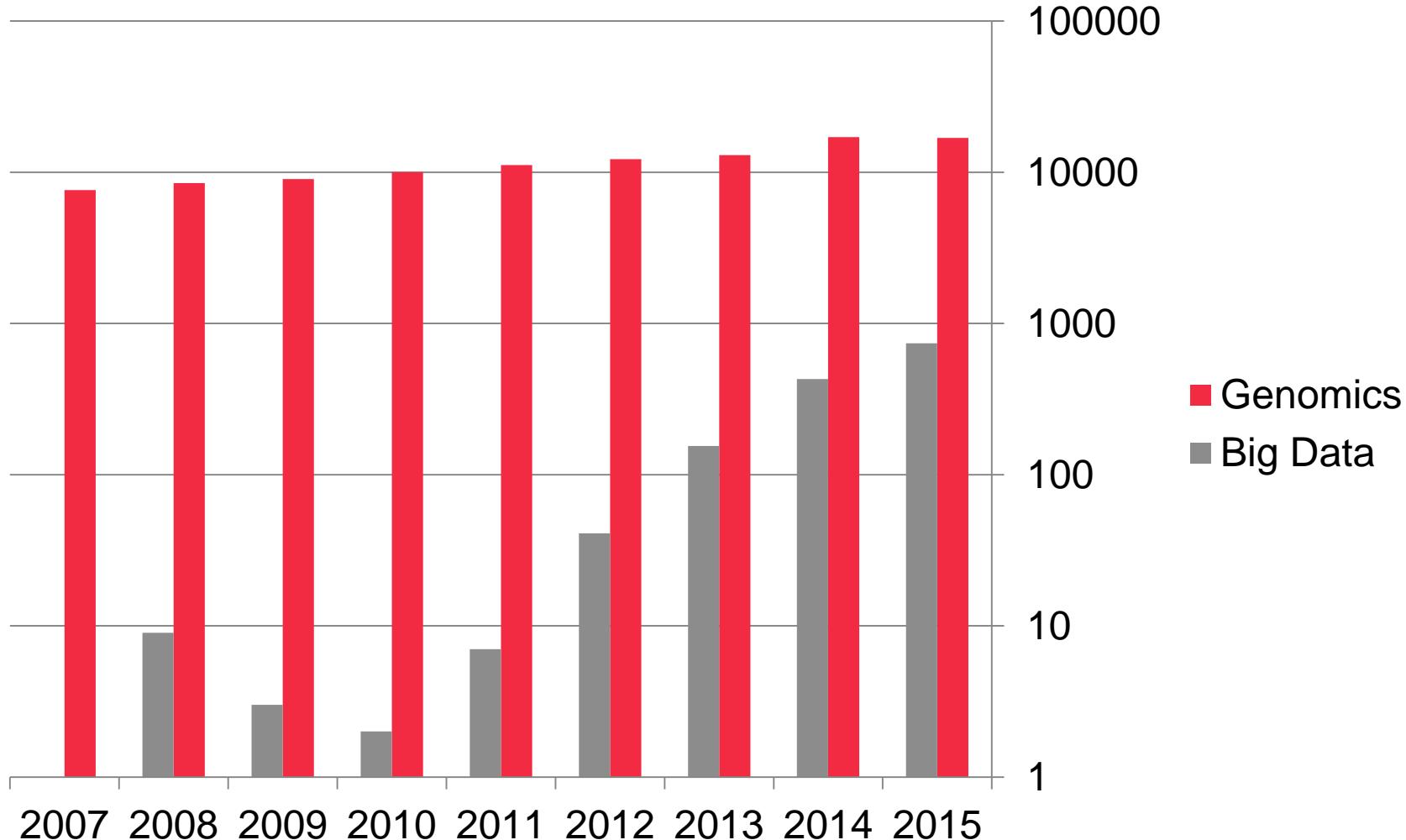
John Snow

The rise of big clinical databases

- Medicare Provider Analysis (MedPAR)
 - Diagnostic/procedure information, limited patient characteristics
- Swedish Colon Cancer Registry
 - Clinical factors, outcomes, co-morbidities
- The Cancer Genome Atlas (TCGA) and The Cancer Imaging Archive (TCIA)
 - Genomic and imaging data on a variety of cancers
 - Official repository for Nature Publishing Group



„Big data“ in Pubmed



Big data

- **Volume:** the quantity of generated and stored data
- **Variety:** the type and nature of the data
- **Velocity:** the speed at which the data is generated and processed
- **Variability:** the inconsistency in the data set can hamper processing
- **Veracity:** the varying quality of captured data



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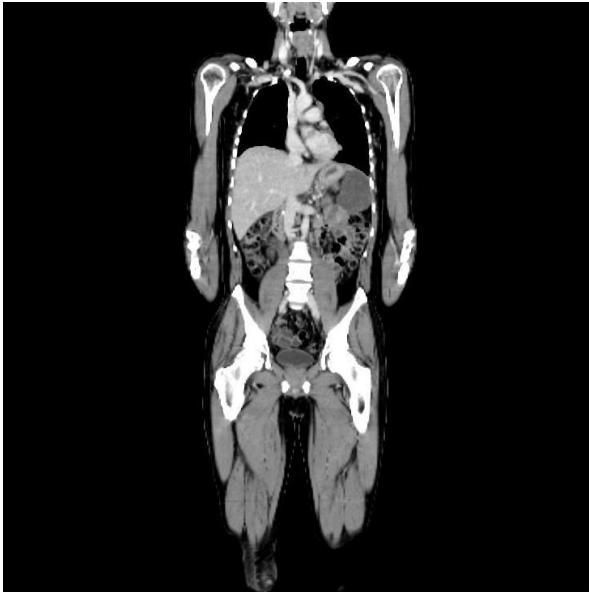
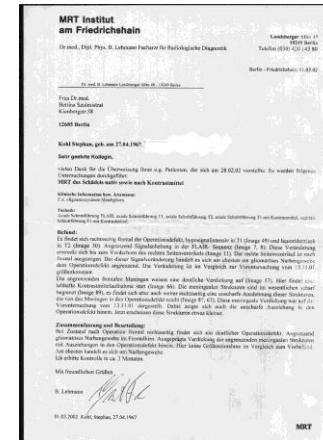
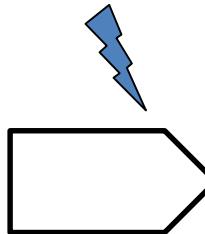


Image data
(many gigabytes)

Big Data
useless!



Medical report
(few kilobytes)

Atari 2600 Game „Breakout“



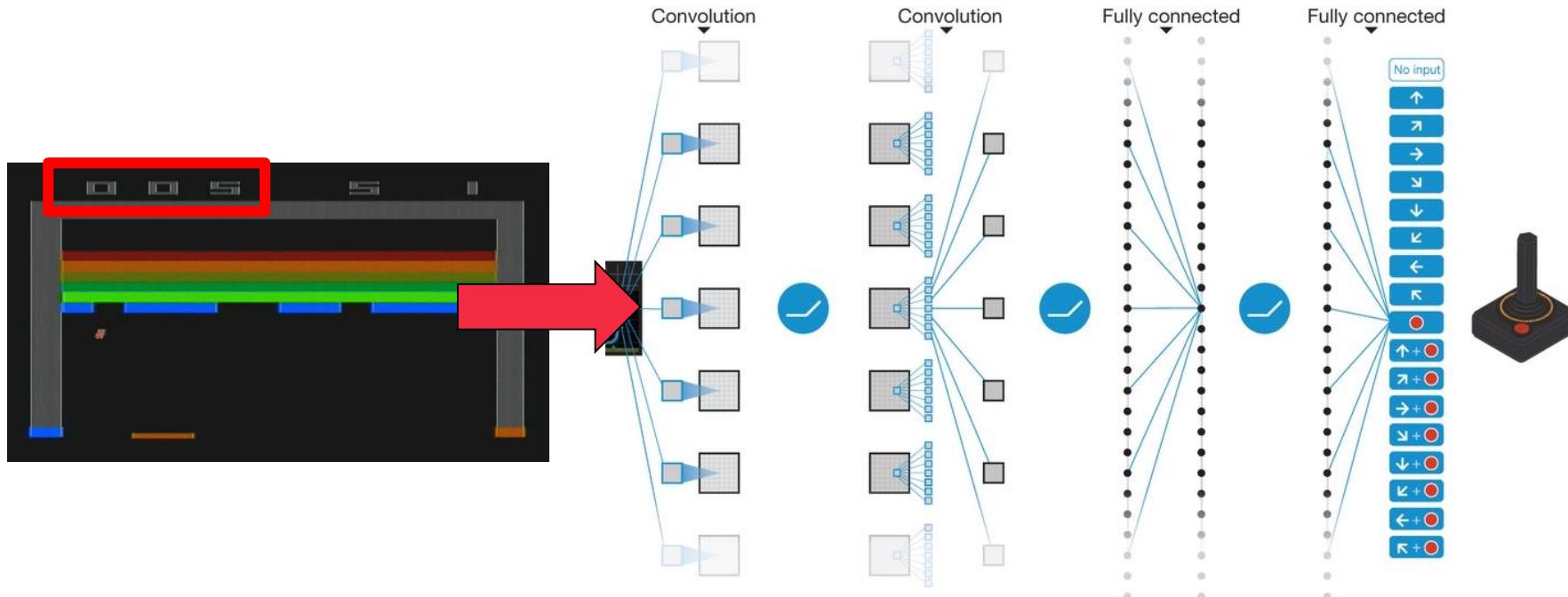
Previous Approach

- Generative Modeling



Data-driven approach (discriminative)

- Screen (40.000 pixels) → Action
- Score



Results

10 min training



Beginner level

120 min training



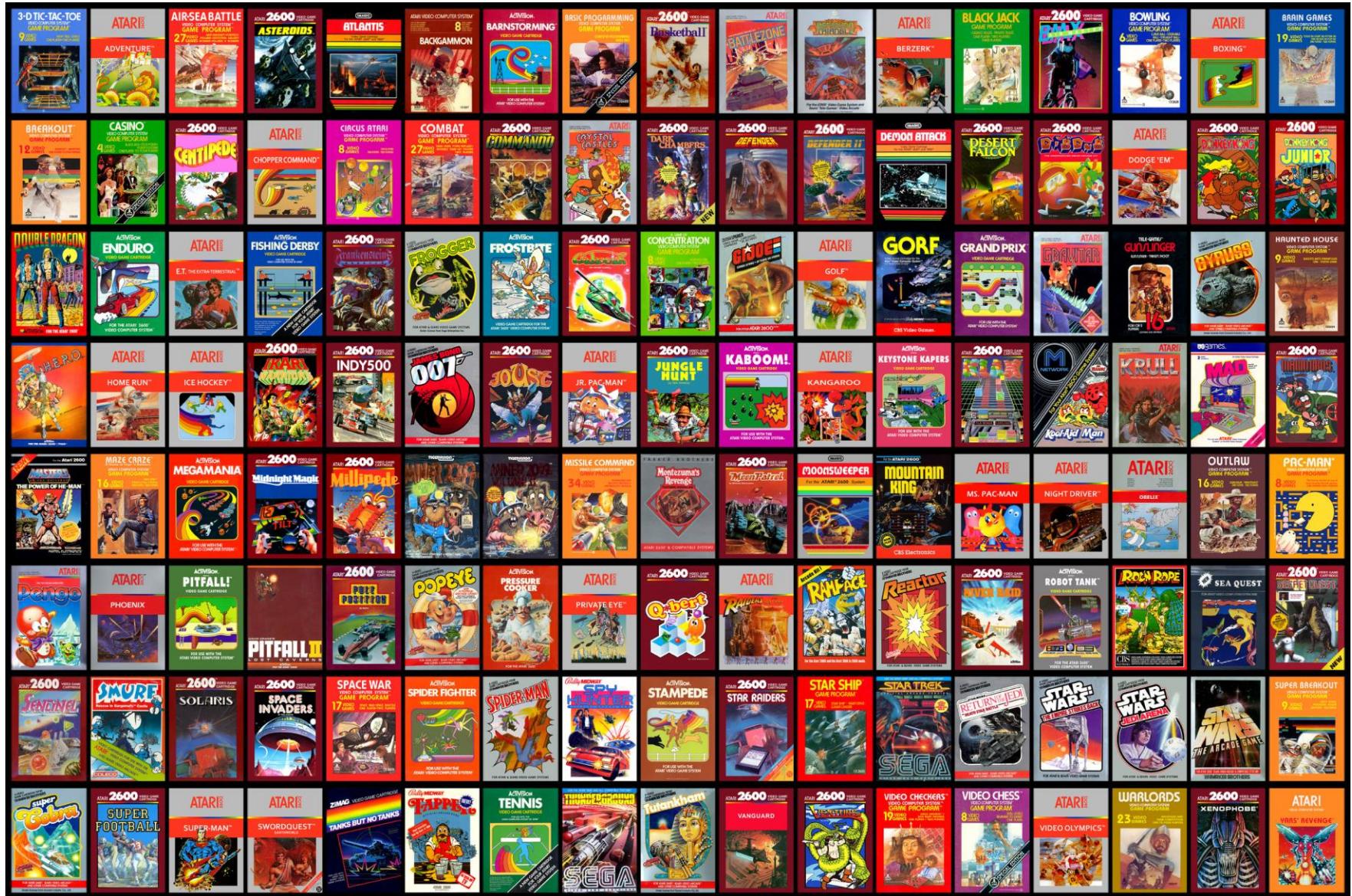
Expert level

240 min training



13x better than
human

Results

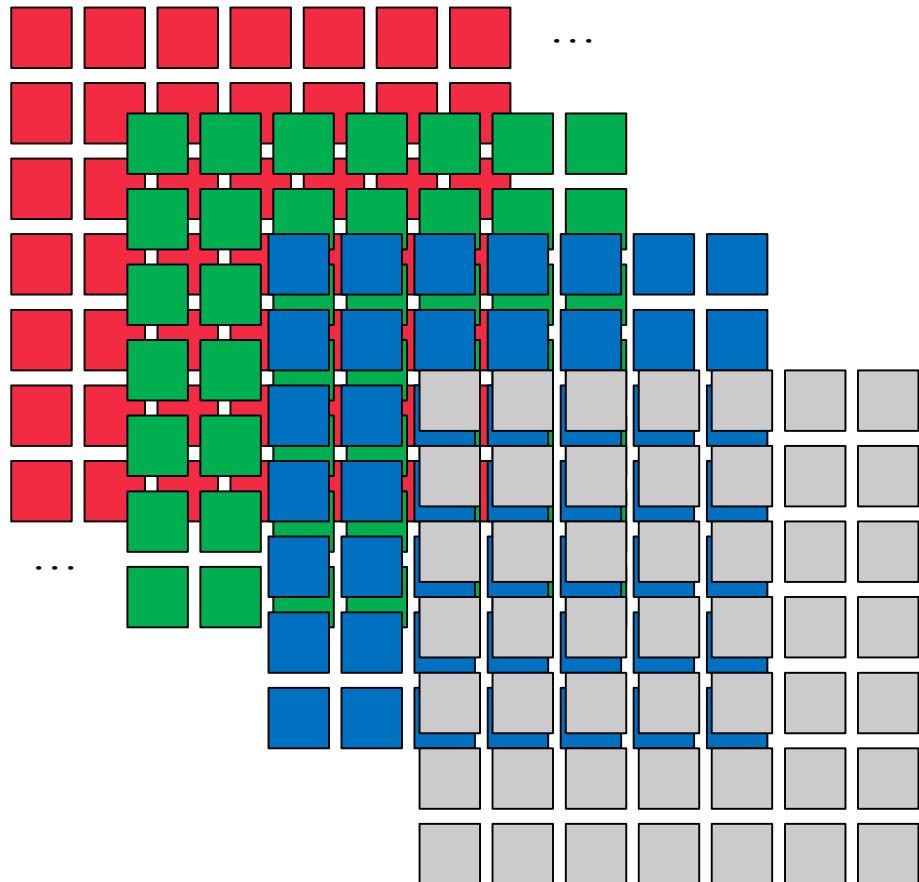


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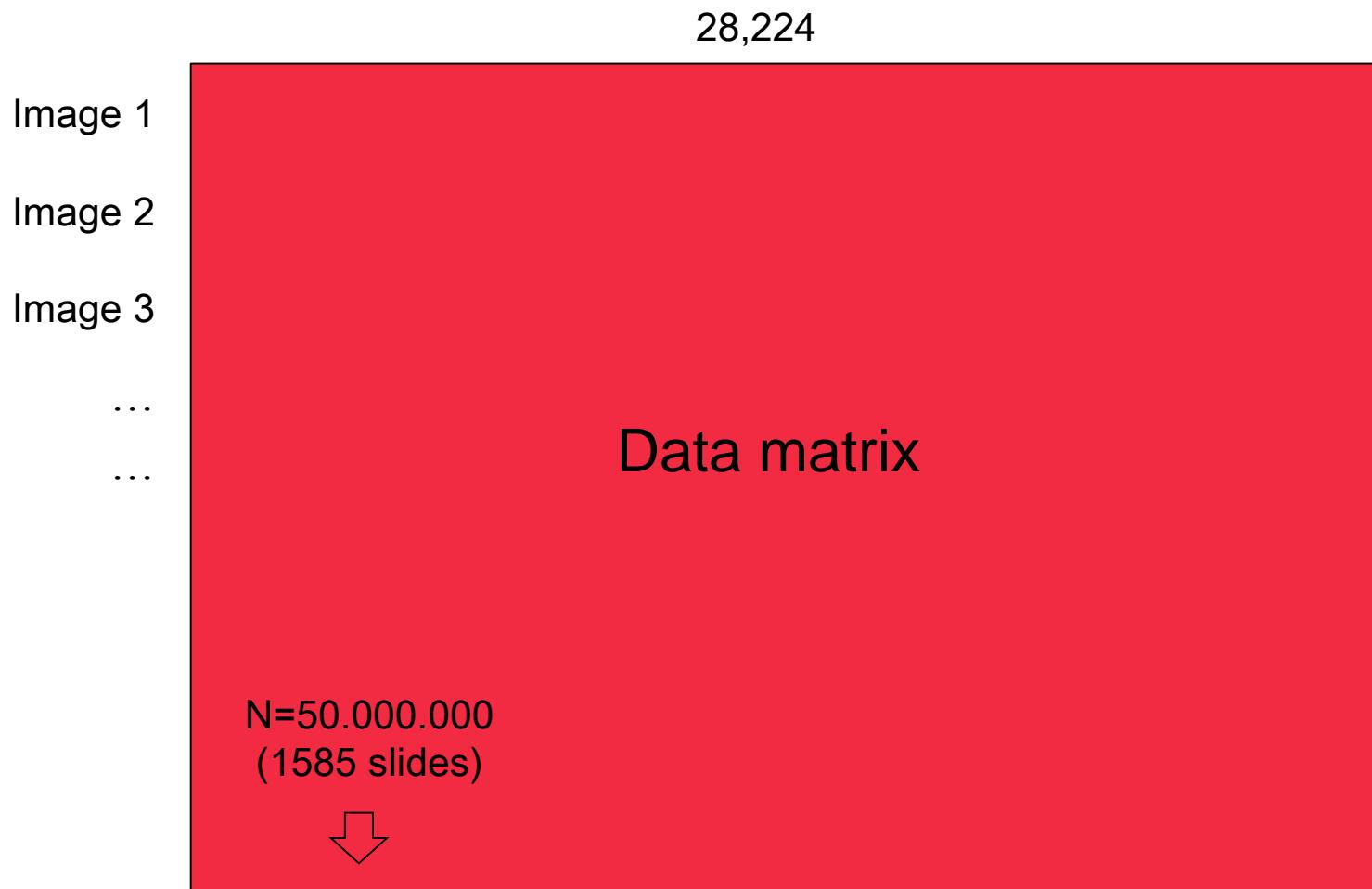
- Computers are great in learning from images

$$I = 84 \times 84 \times 4 = 28,224 \text{ numbers}$$



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What about medical imaging?

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BUT

- Data matrices are wiiiddeeeee

$N=30.000$



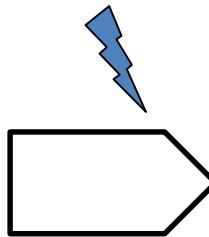
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- Meaningful data annotation difficult to get
- Image data = dark data



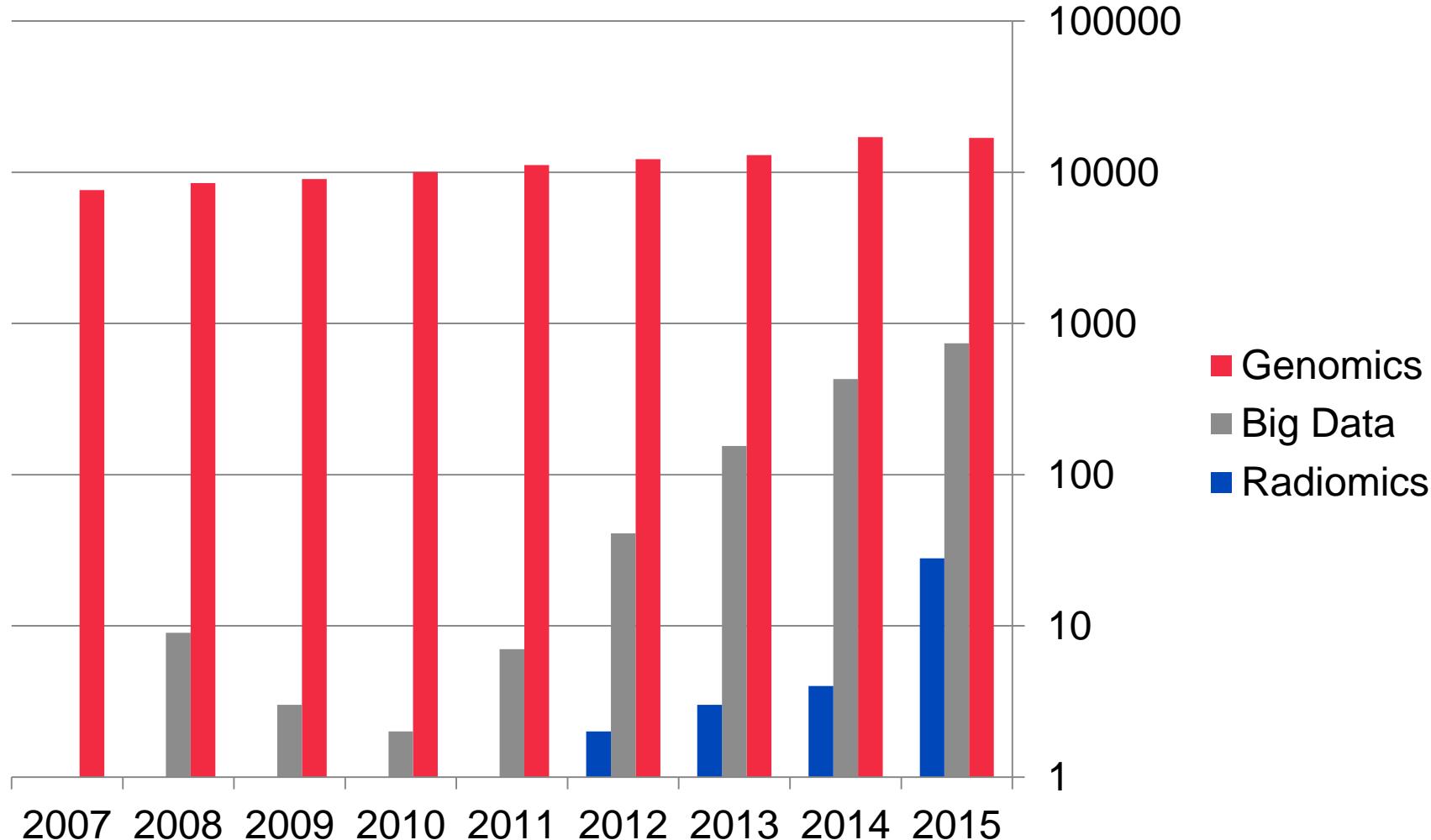
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„Radiomics“ in Pubmed



-omics – a field of study studying the *totality* of some sort

-ome – addresses the objects of study

Radiomics (idea)

- Clinical practice
 - Segmentation of tumor (RECIST, CTV, GTV)
 - Not predictive (overall/progression free survival)
 - Qualitative descriptions (“peripherally enhancing spiculated mass in left lobe”)
- Potential of images
 - Intensity, Texture, Shape
 - Growth and response predictions
 - ...

Radiomics (definition)

- “extraction and analysis of large amounts of advanced **quantitative** imaging features with **high throughput**” [1]
- core hypothesis: resulting models provide diagnostic, prognostic or predictive information [2]
- Radiogenomics



- [1] Kumar V et al. Radiomics: the process and the challenges. *Magn Reson Imag* 30, 1234–1248 (2012).
- [2] Lambin P et al. Radiomics: extracting more information from medical images using advanced feature analysis. *Eur. J. Cancer* 48, 441–446 (2012).

Radiomics features

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We calculate 17 first-order features and TF (T1, ct)

First order features denote regions with N_r pixels in the ROI

The probability of the central pixel

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We calculate all features

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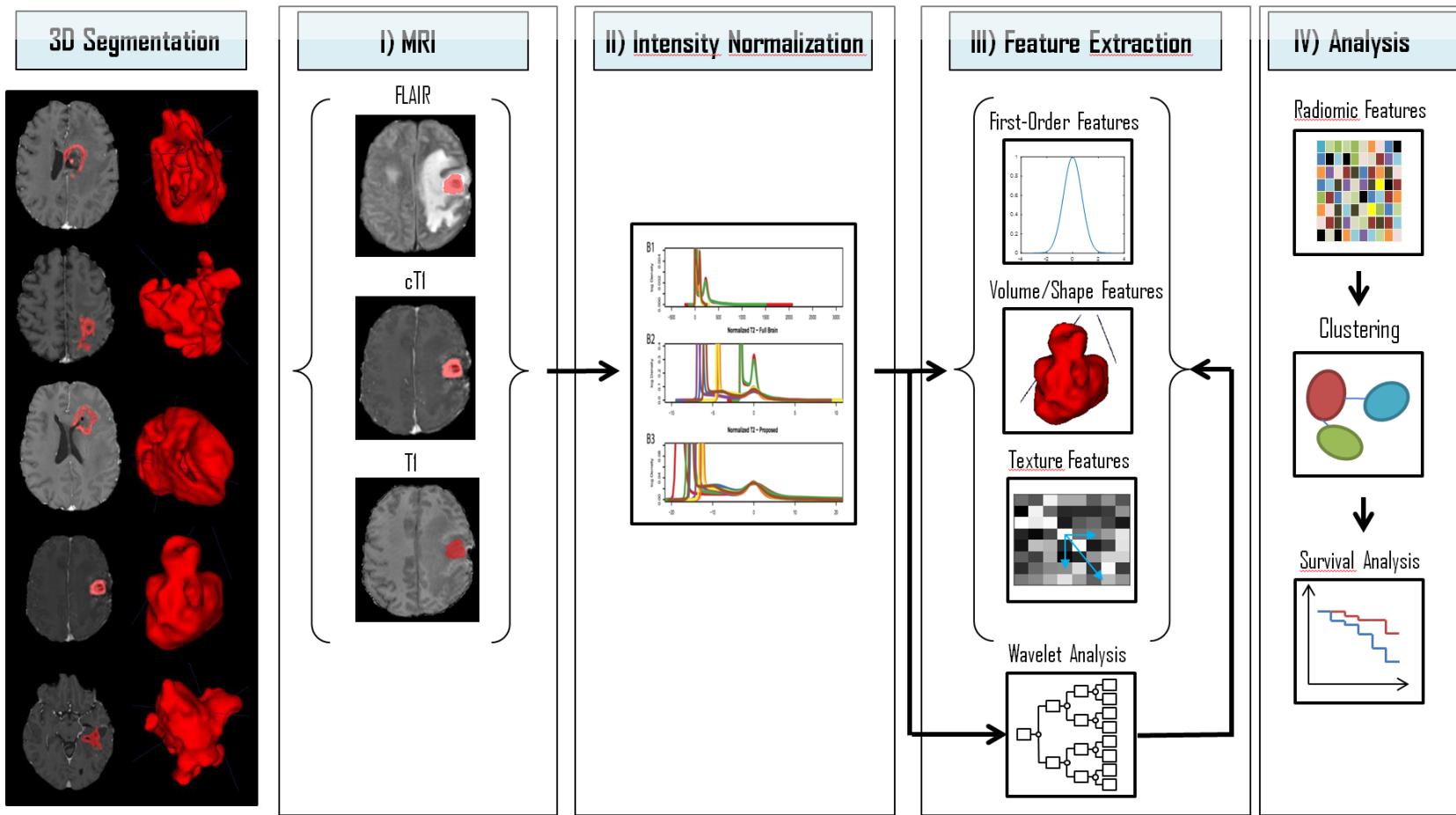
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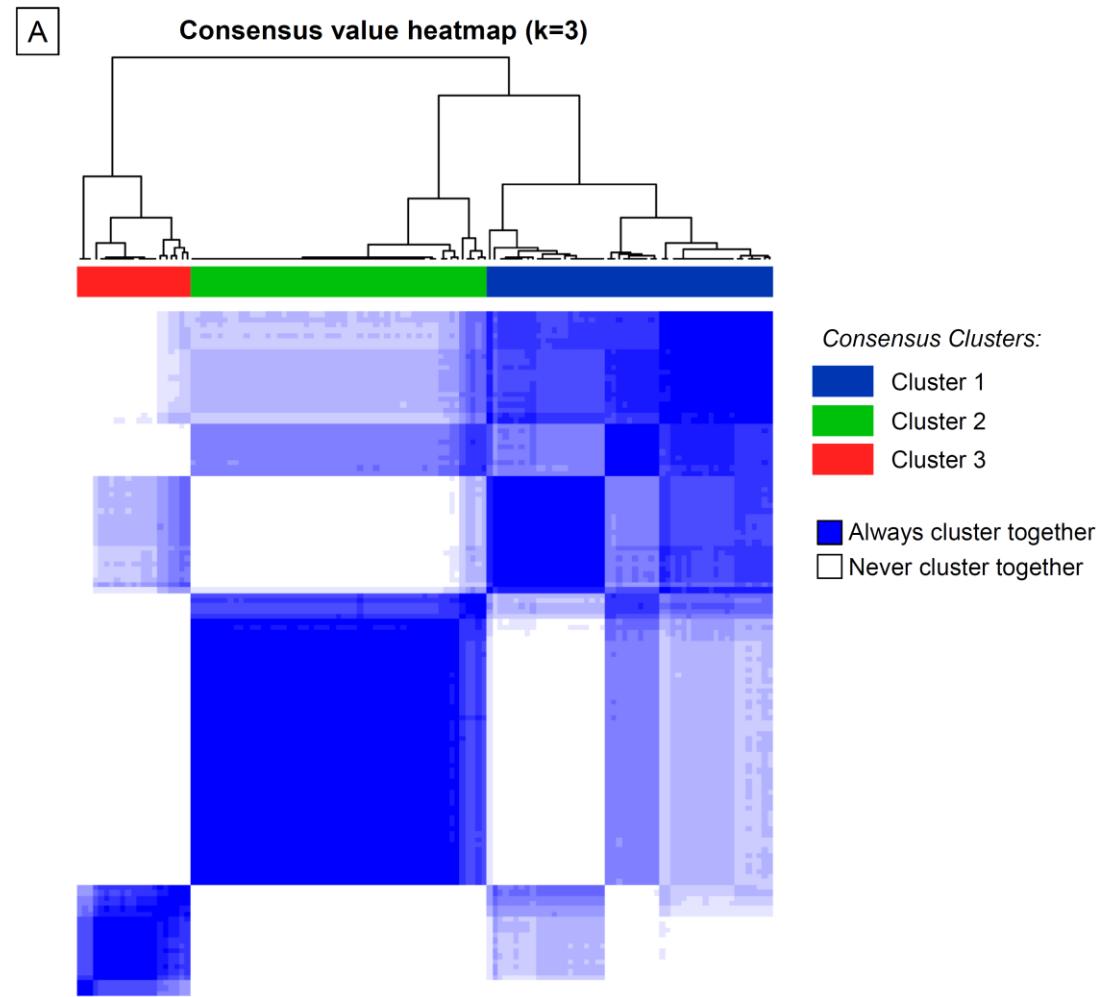
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- 4842 quantitative MRI features (T1, cT1, FLAIR), 129 patients



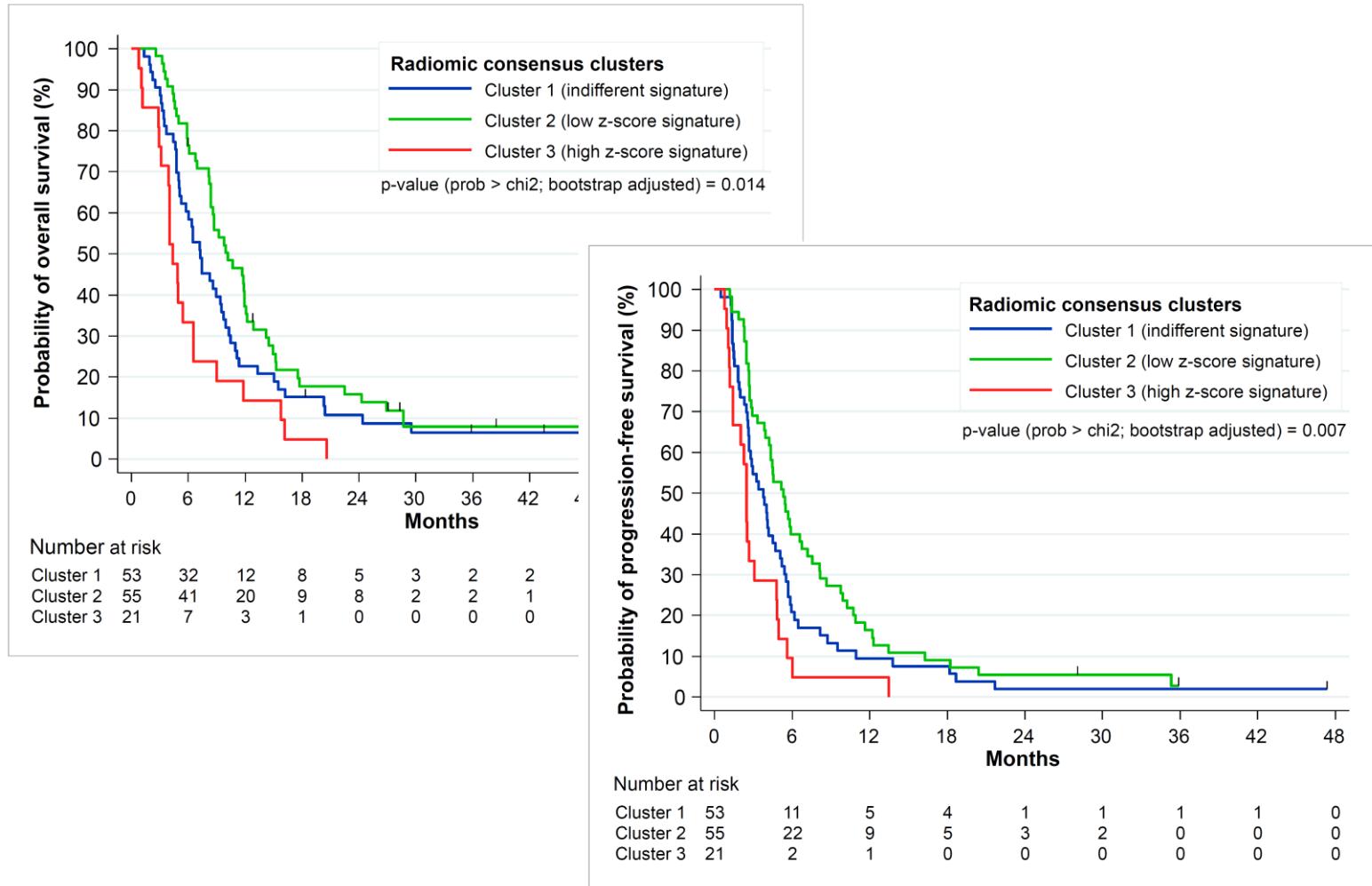
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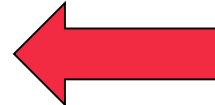
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Contribution to personalized medicine

- Genomic/proteomic technologies blind to spatial + temporal tumor heterogeneity
 - Based on biopsy or invasive surgery
 - Analysis of small portions of the tumor
- Strengthen the role of medical imaging in „personalized medicine“
 - Comprehensive view of entire tumor
 - Monitor development and progression of disease/response to therapy
 - Noninvasive, existing data

Big data challenges

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- Manage

- Process

- Share

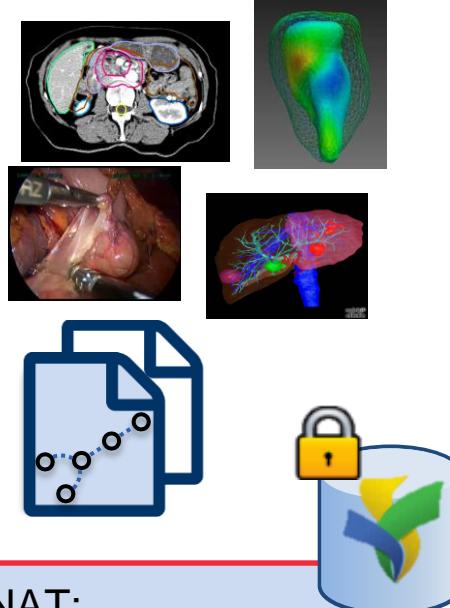
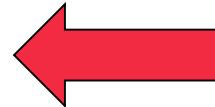
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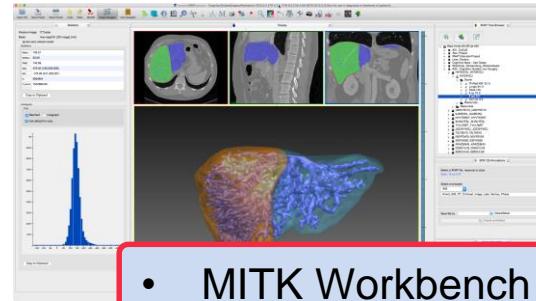
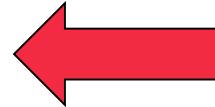


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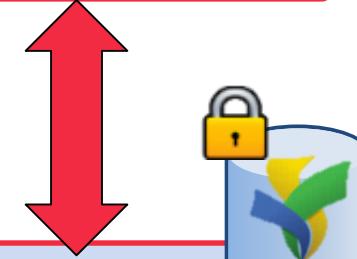
- Study collections
- Study objects
- Imaging sessions
- Annotations

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- MITK Workbench
- CTK Command Line
- Python Scripting



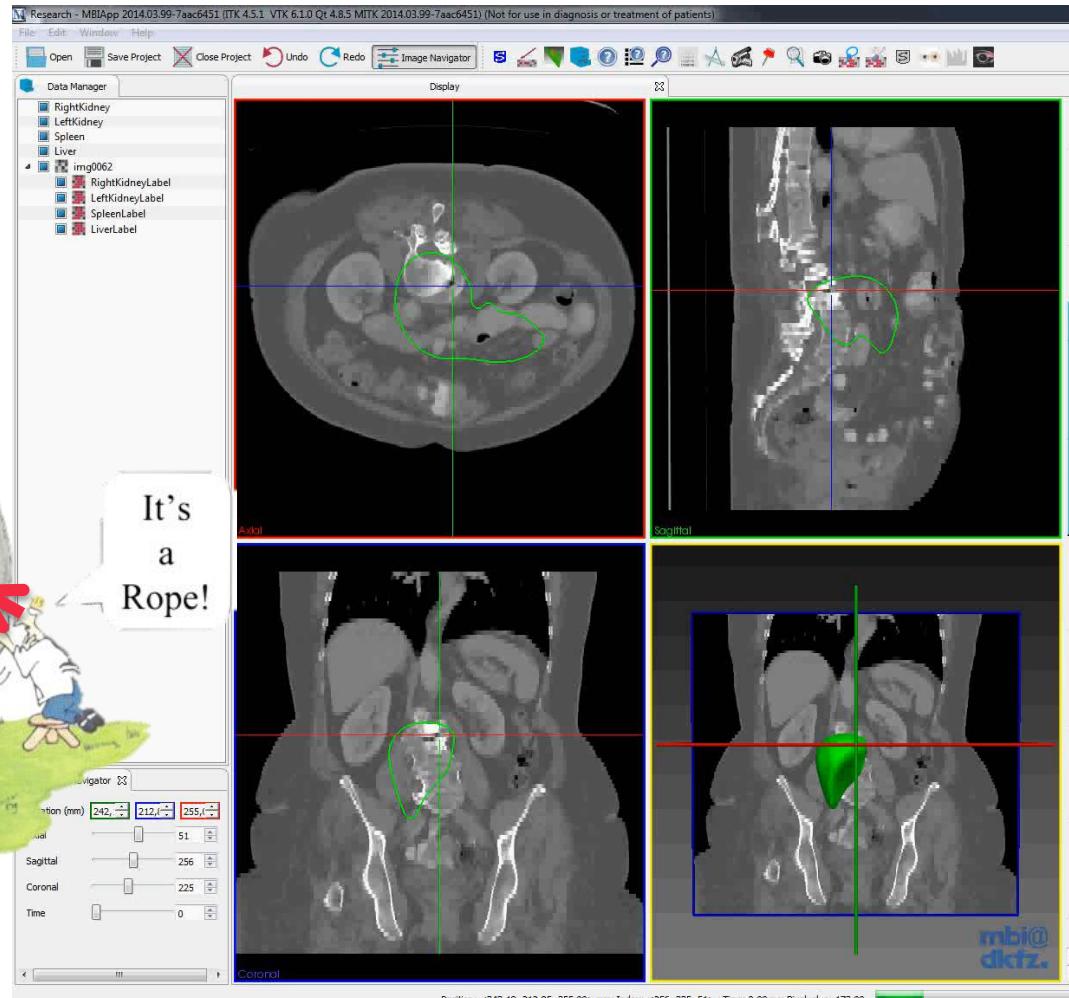
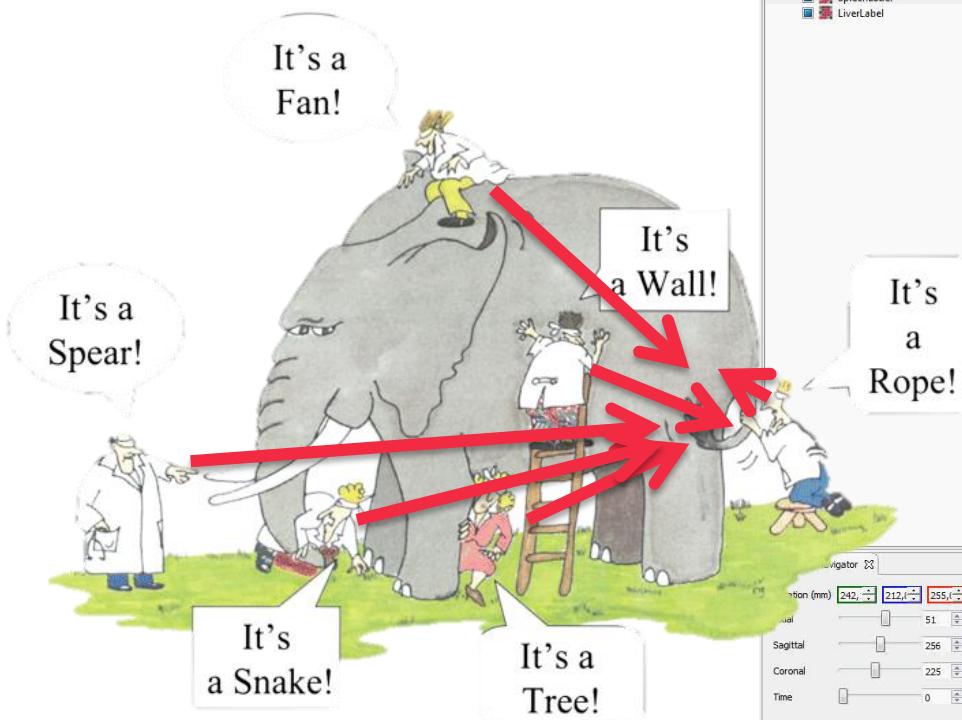
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Novel generation of machine-learning driven segmentation techniques

Question asked: IS THIS ...?

Novel question: WHERE IS ...?



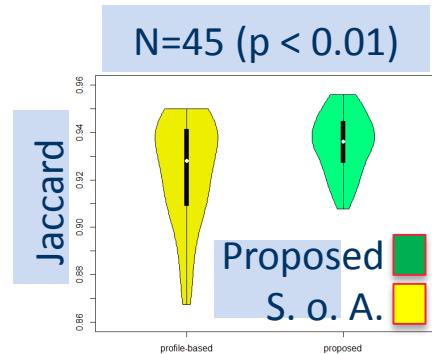
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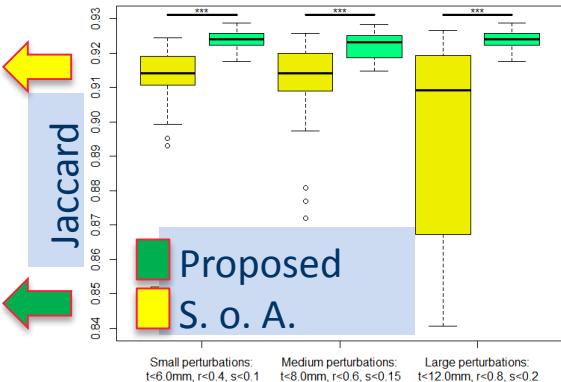
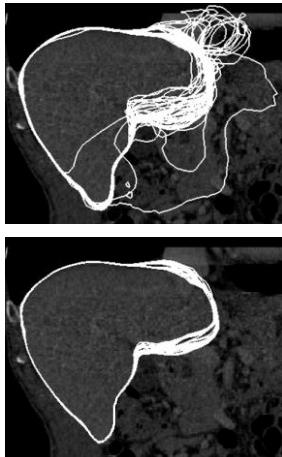
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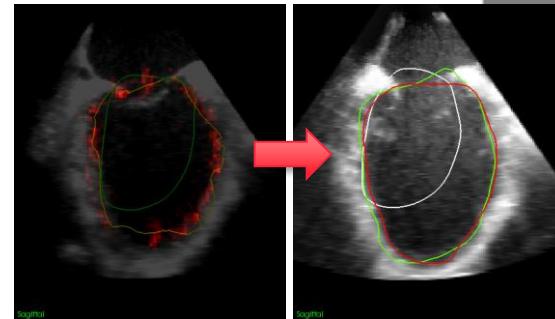
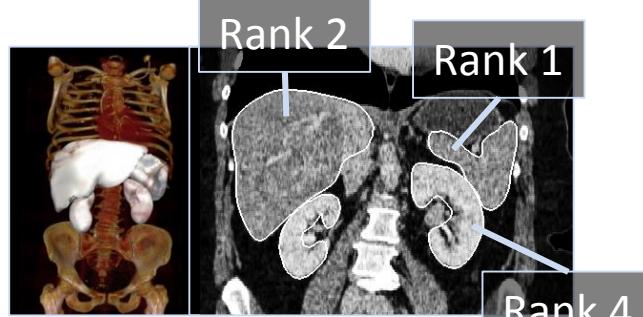
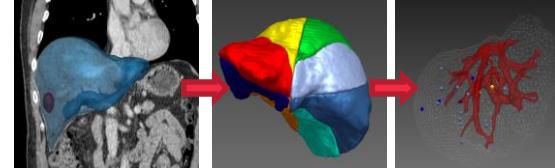
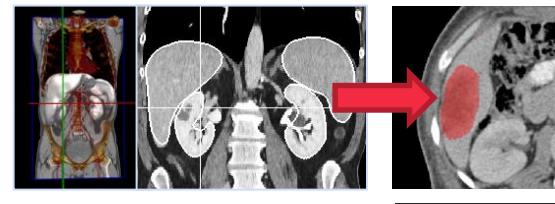
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Improved Accuracy



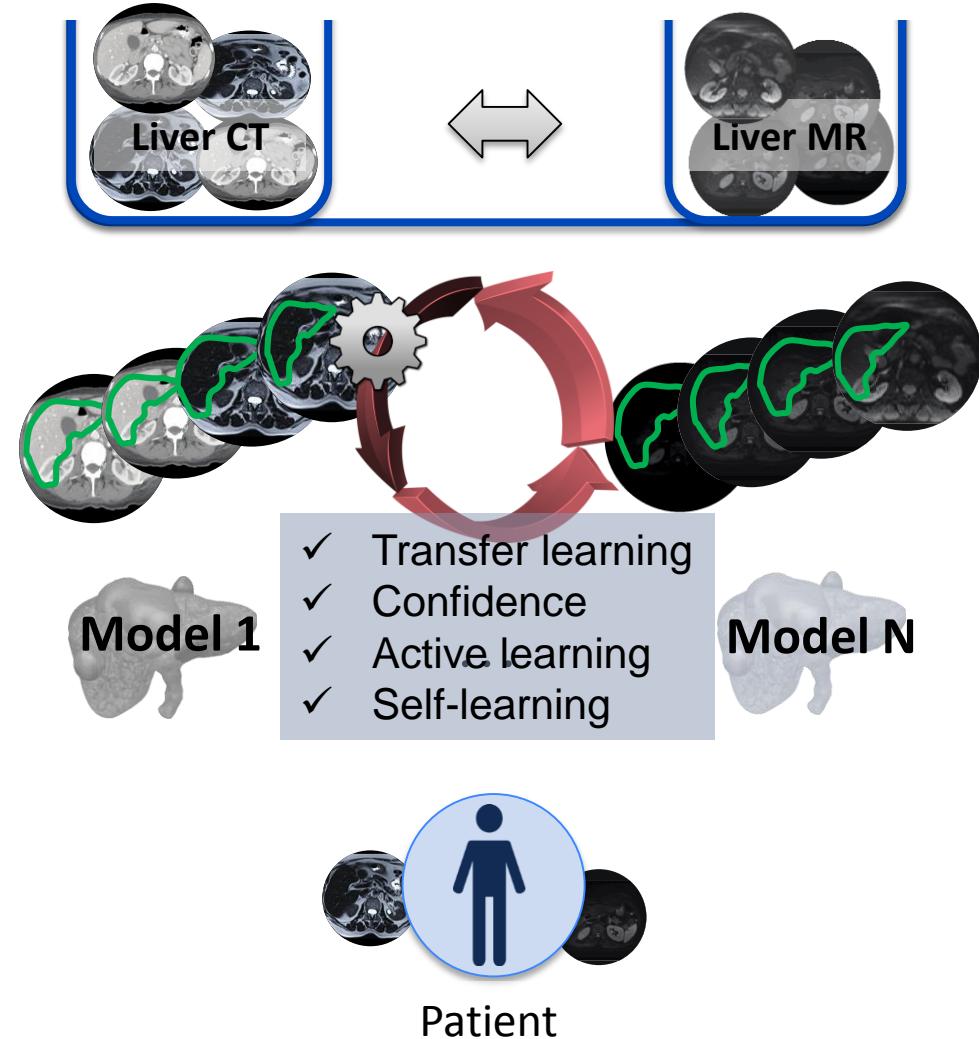
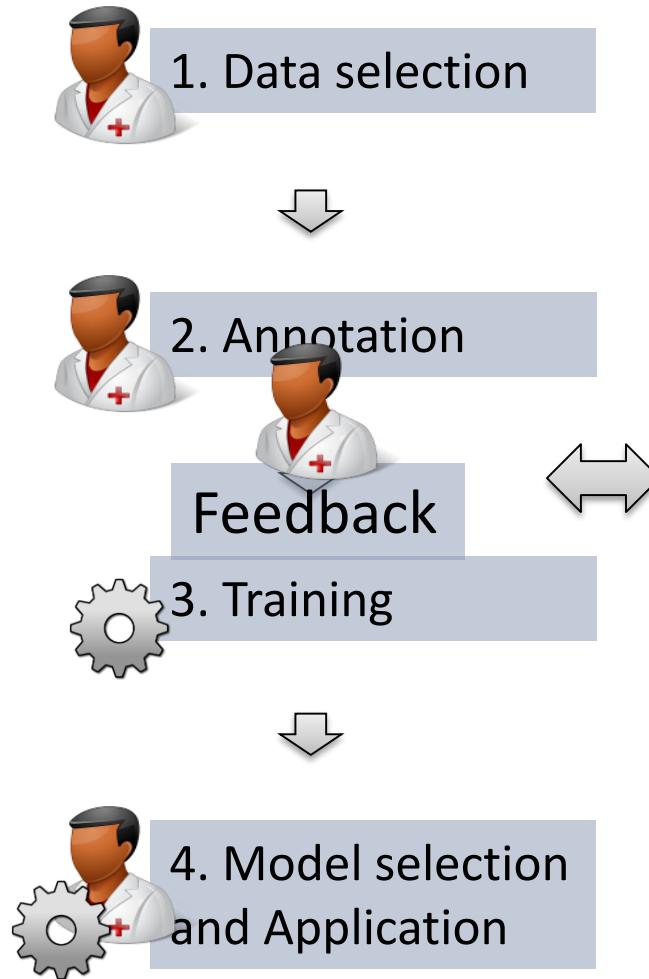
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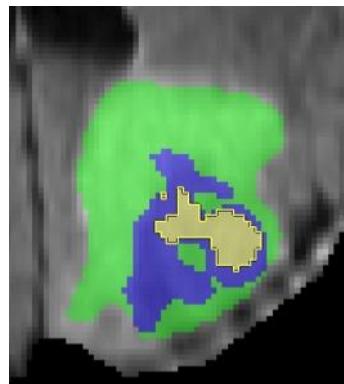


Self-learning models

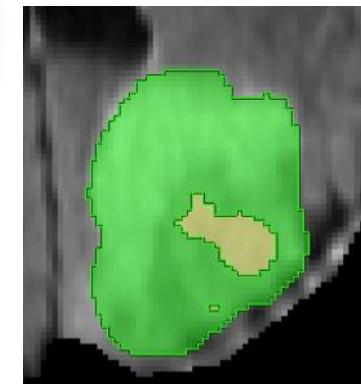


Transfer learning solves data annotation problem

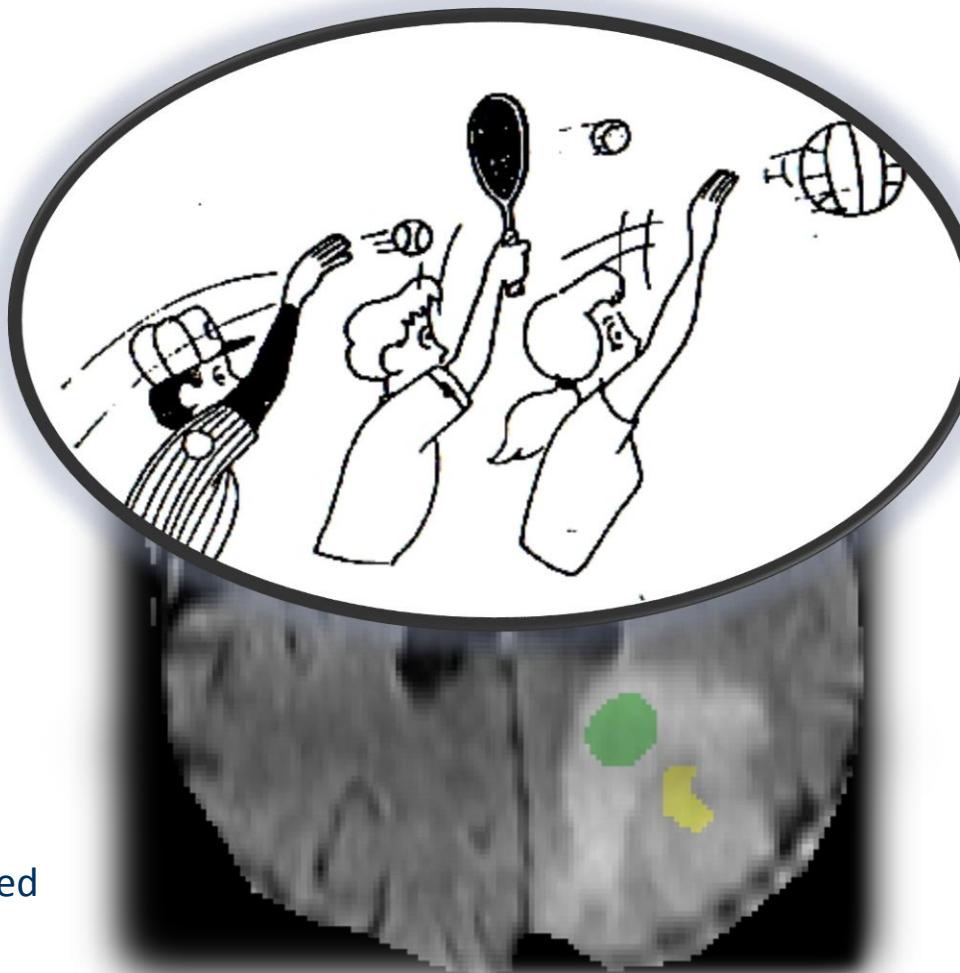
Expert 1



Expert 2



- █ Edema
- █ Active tumor
- █ Contrast-enhanced

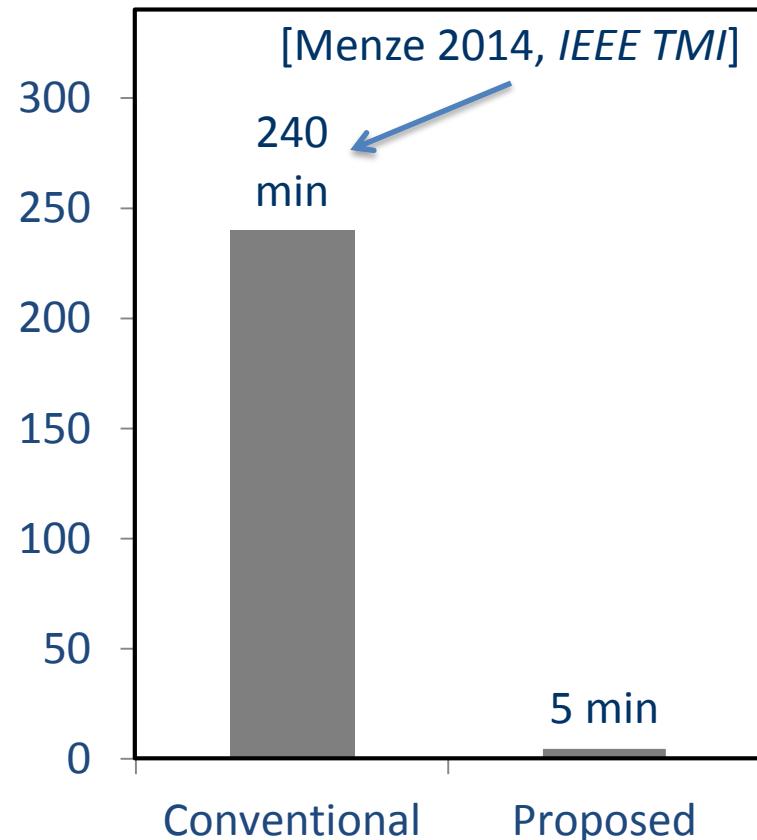


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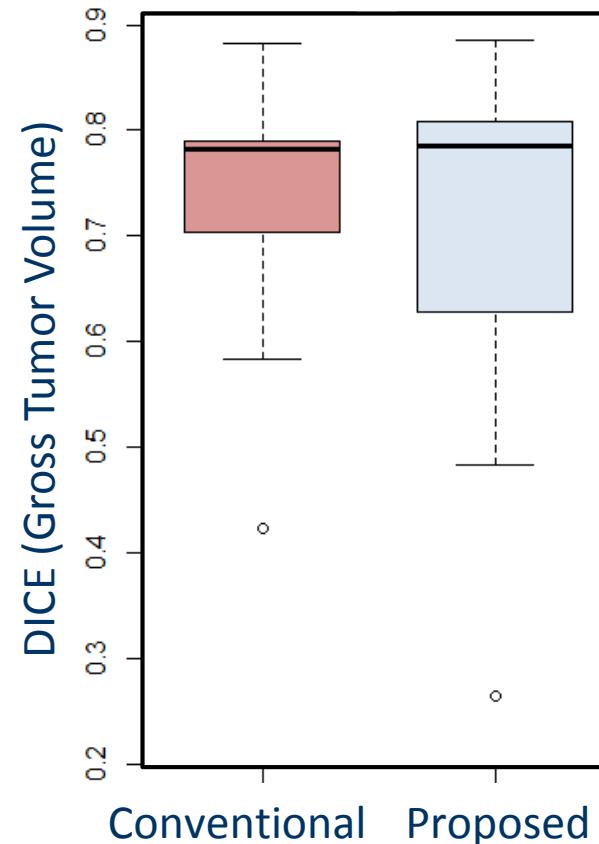


Reduced annotation time, similar accuracy

Labeling Time



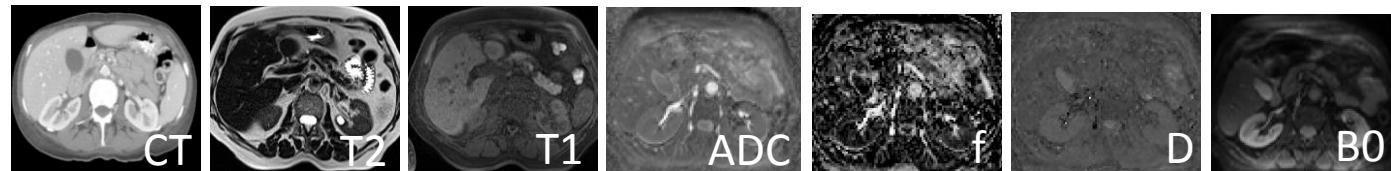
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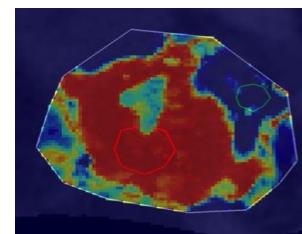
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One method, many applications

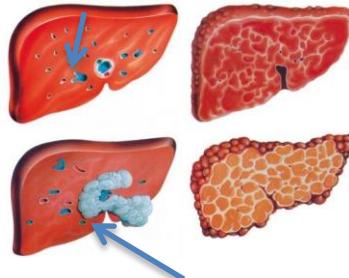


DECT vs. Perfusion-CT



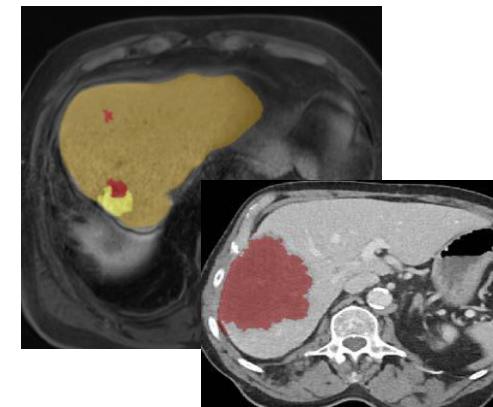
Tissue characterization

HCC vs. healthy

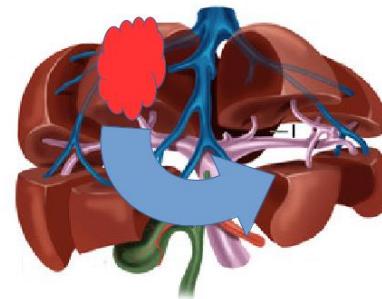


CCC vs. Fatty liver

Tumor load/location



Predictions

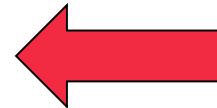


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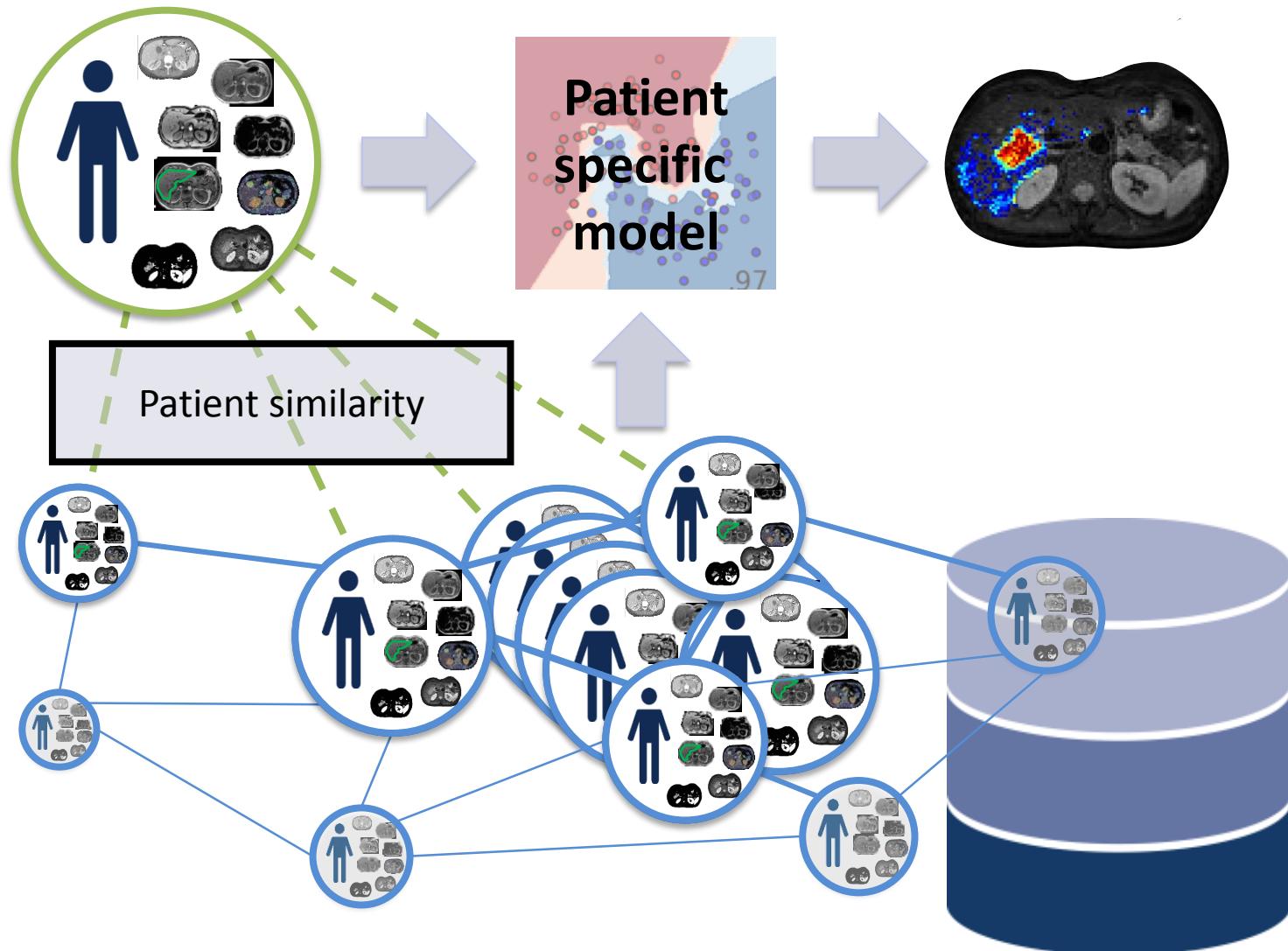


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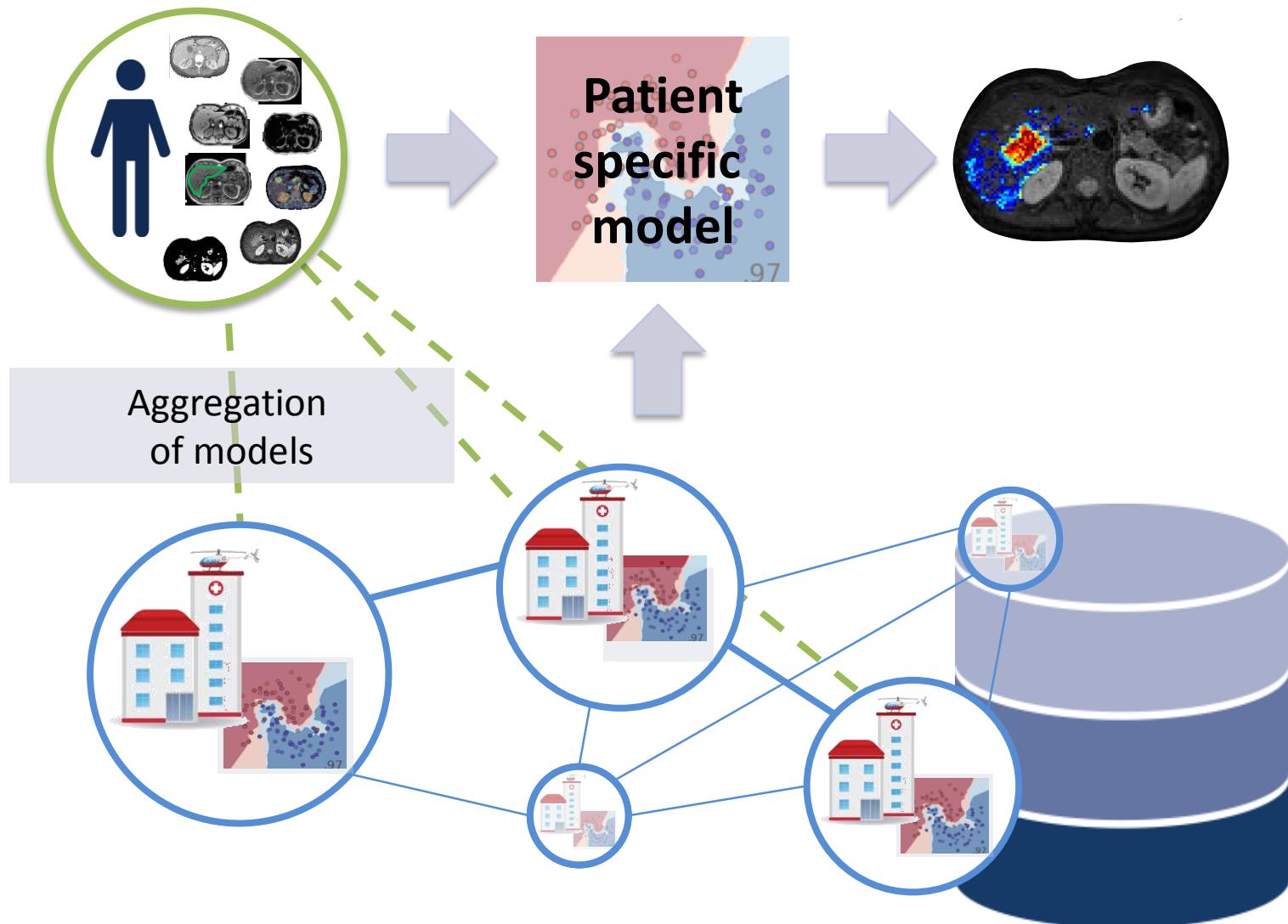
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Patient specific models

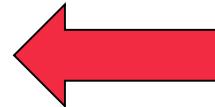


Distributed knowledge



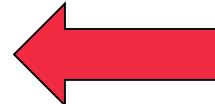
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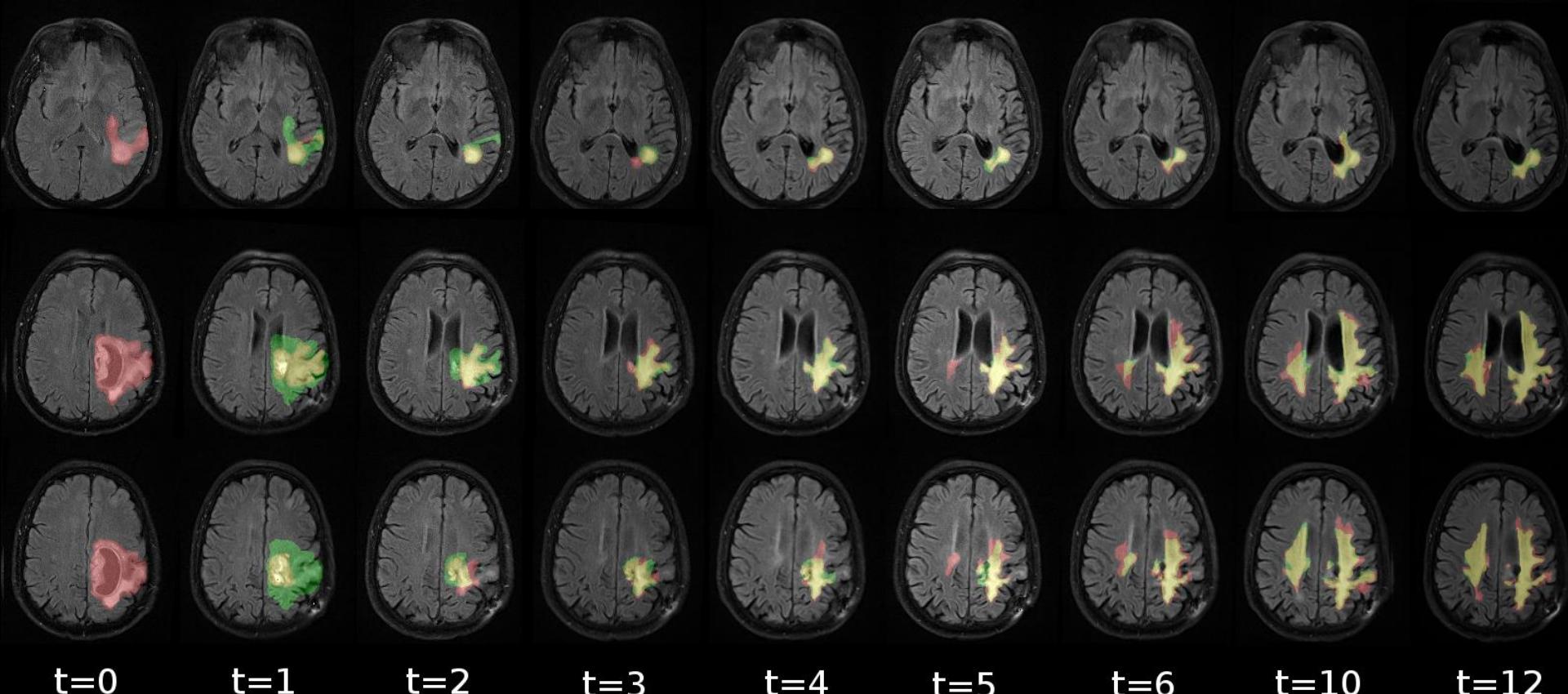


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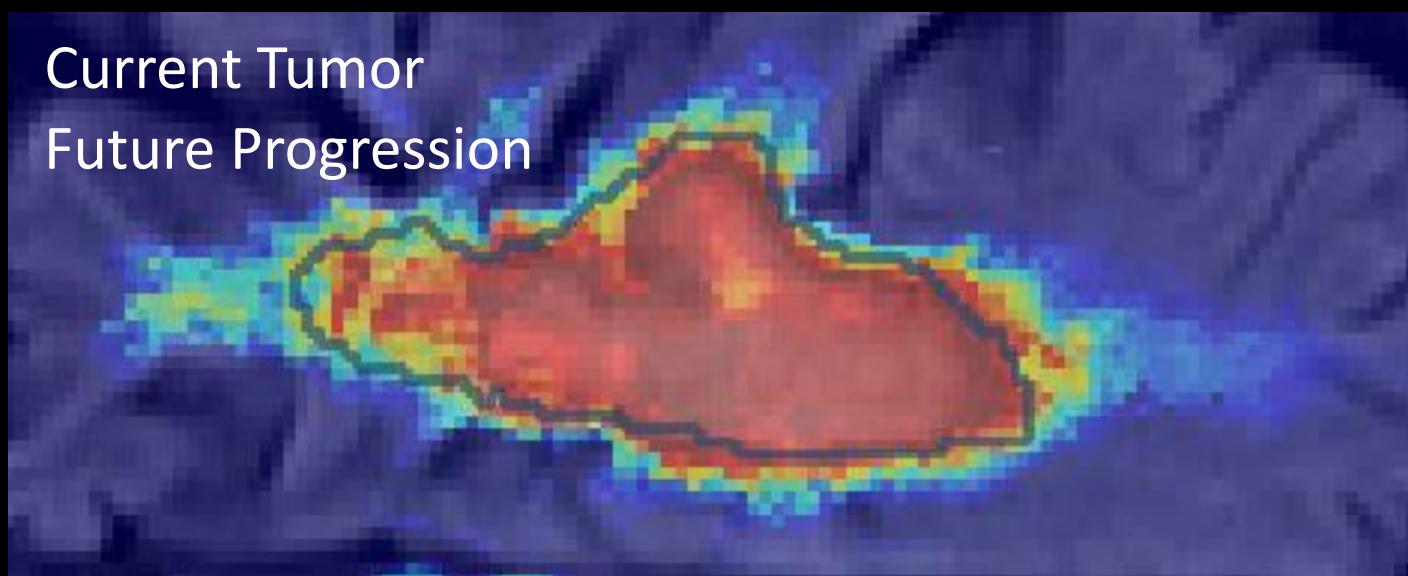
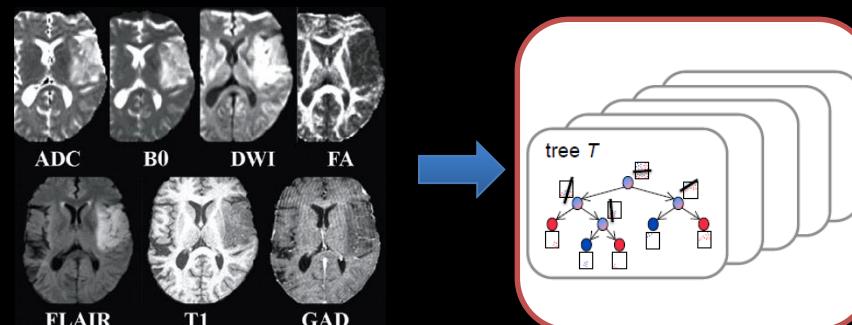
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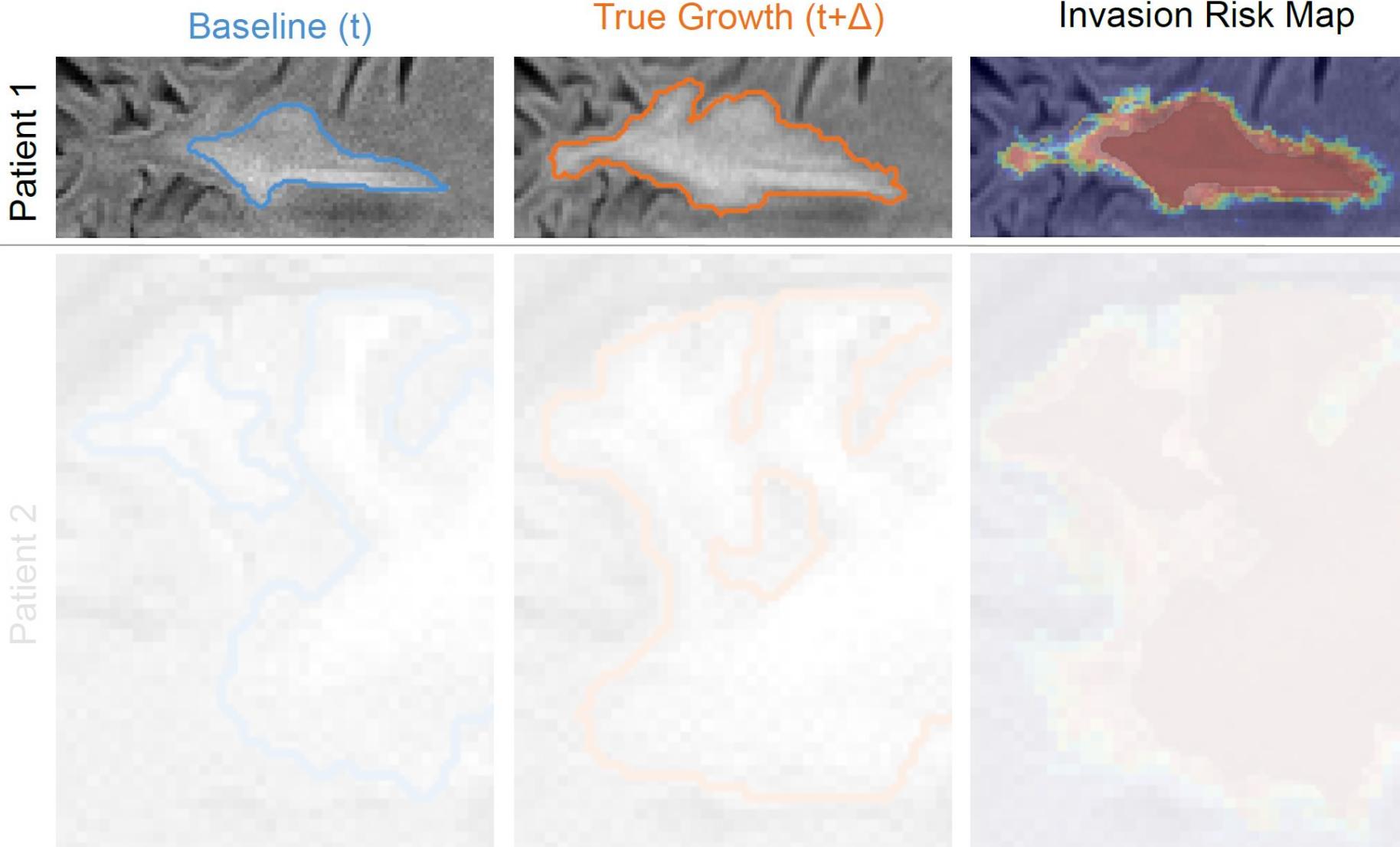


Machine learning & disease mechanisms



- Unpublished data: Weber et al. Individual estimation of brain tumor invasion margin using data-driven glioma growth models. (in preparation)

Results



Baseline (t)



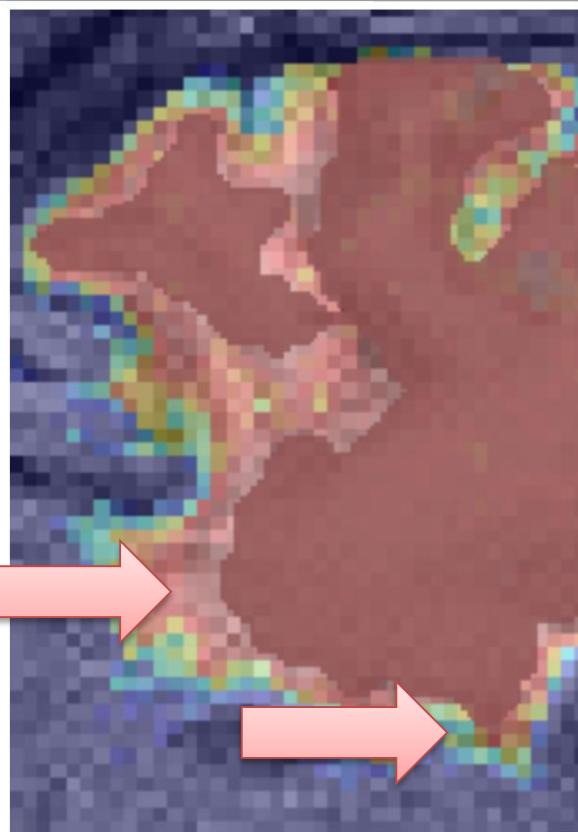
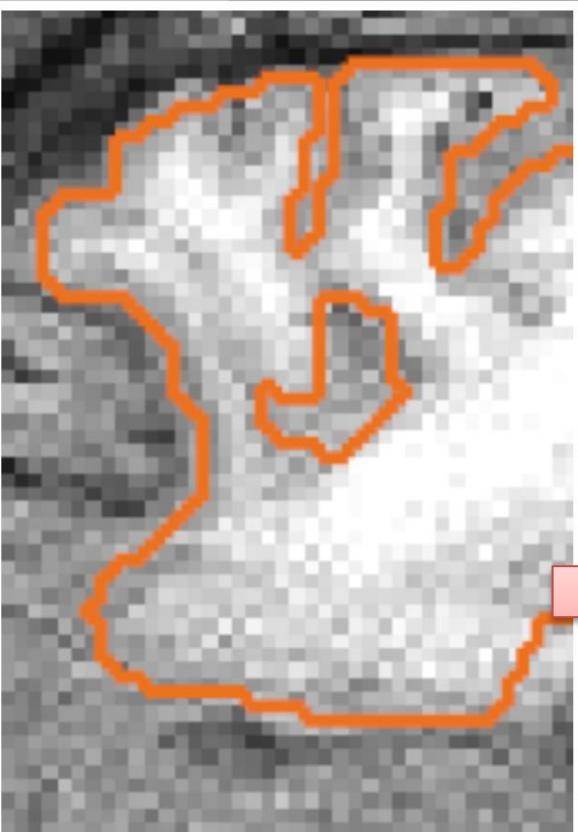
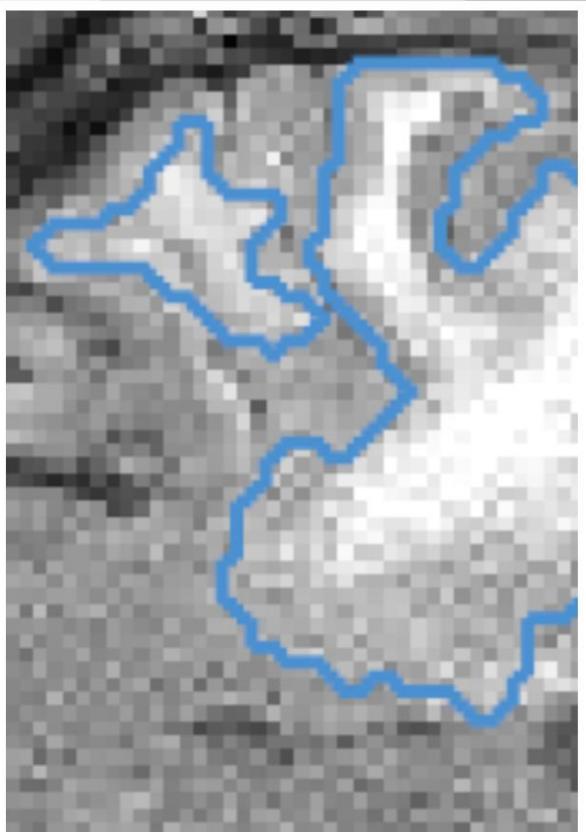
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Invasion Risk Map



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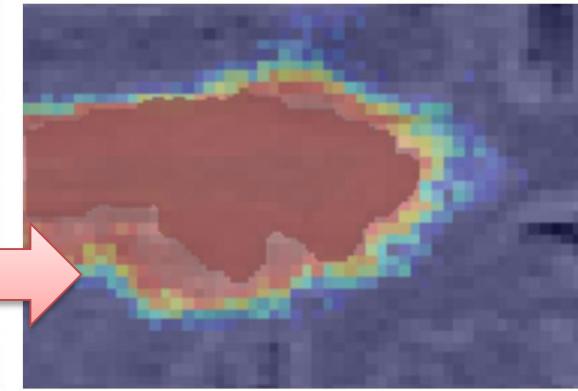
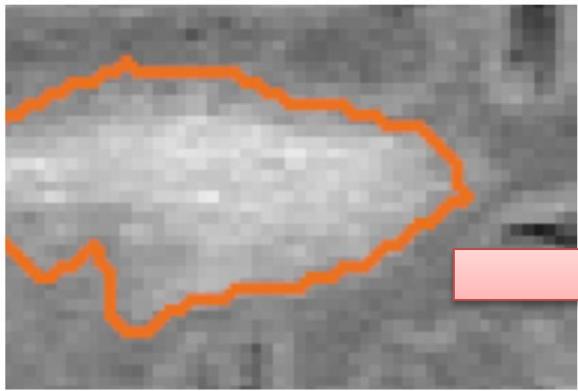
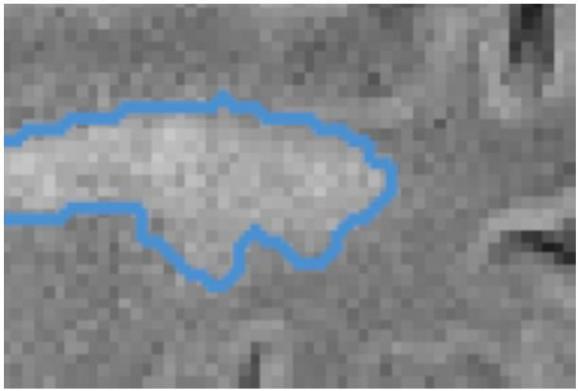


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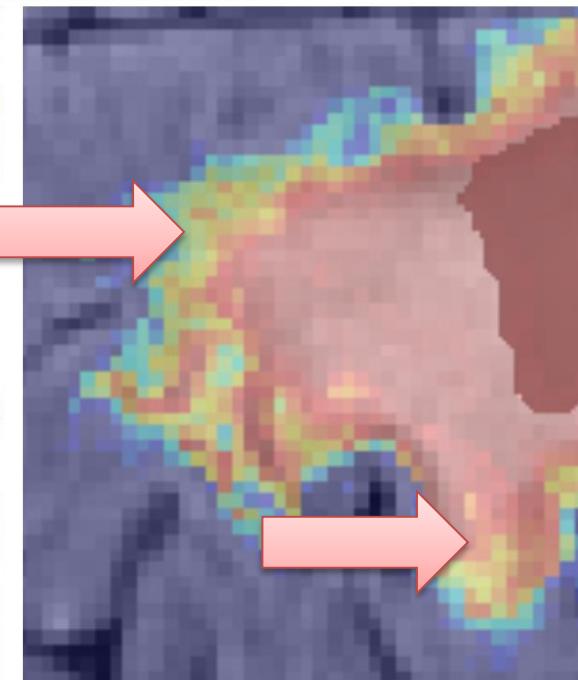
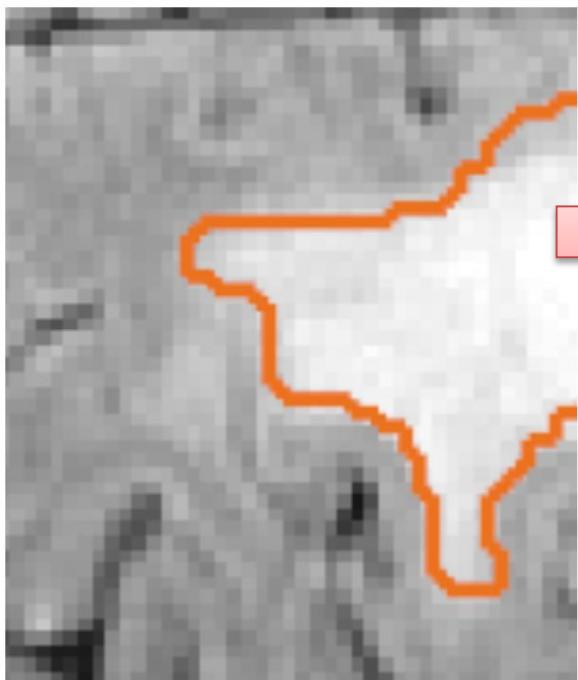
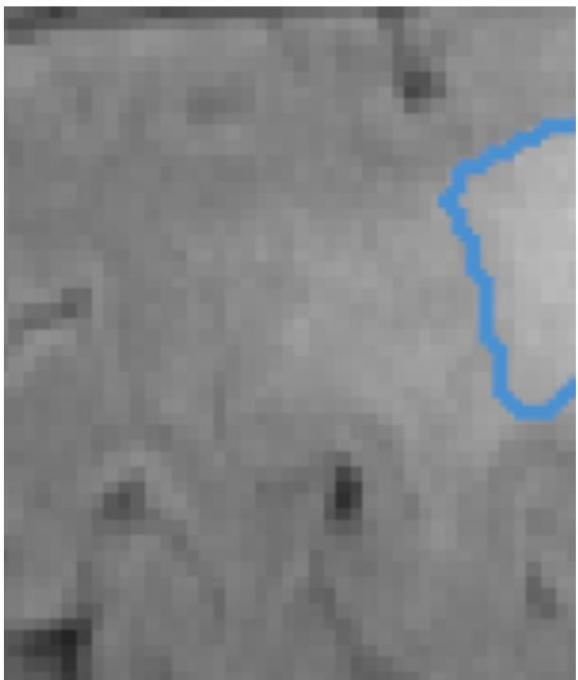


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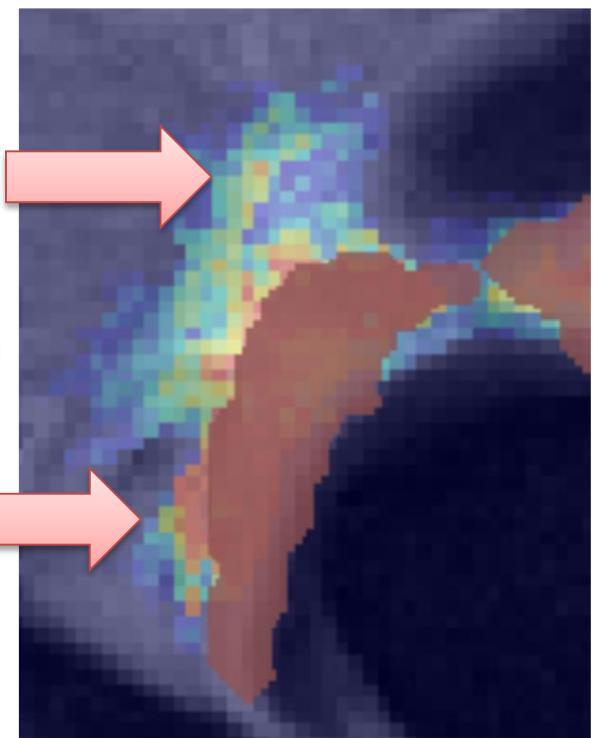
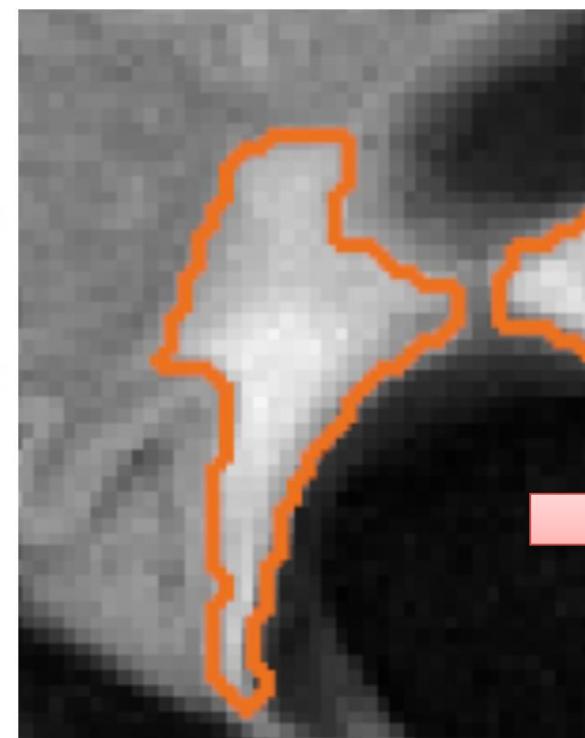
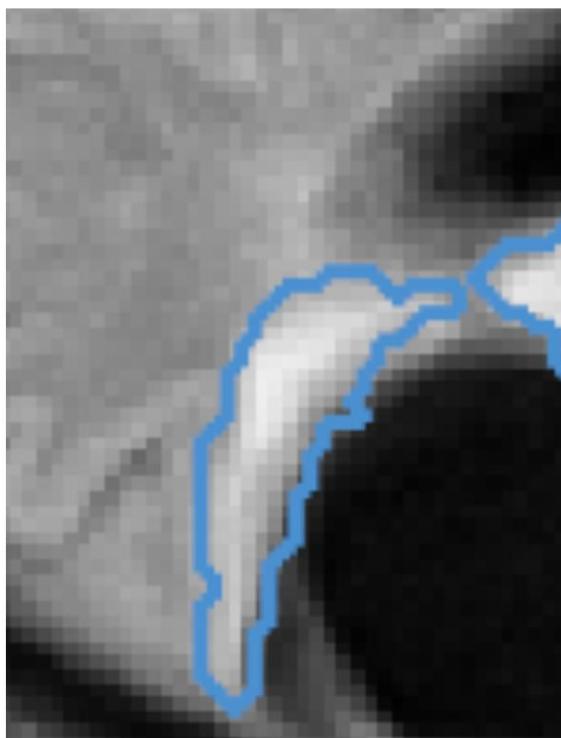
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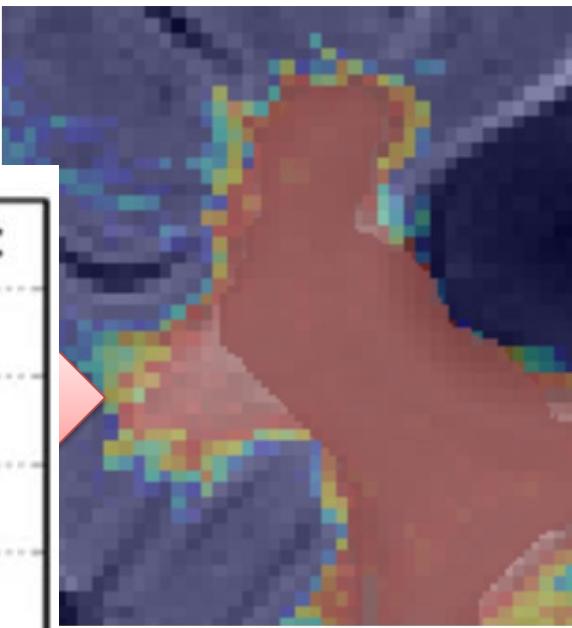
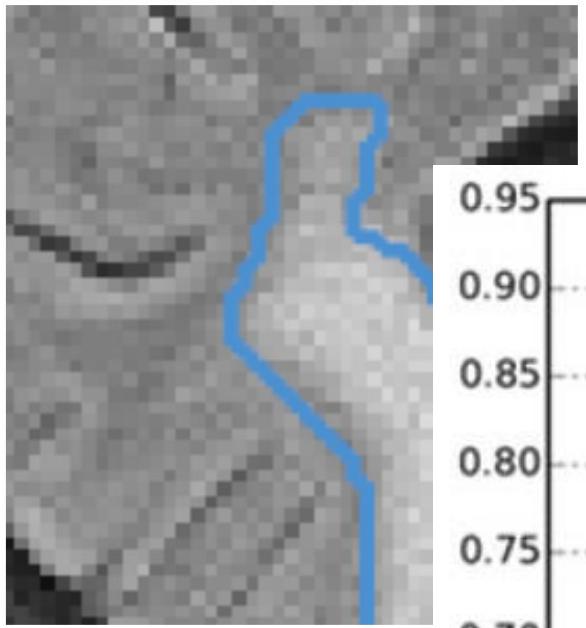
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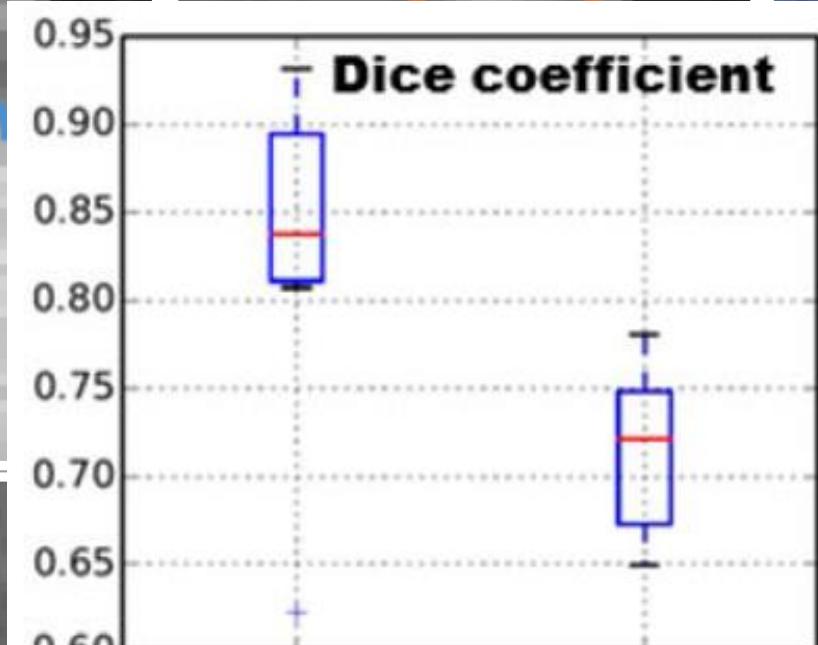
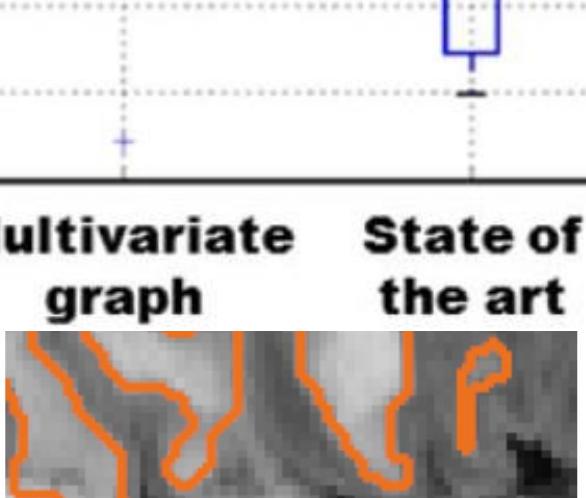
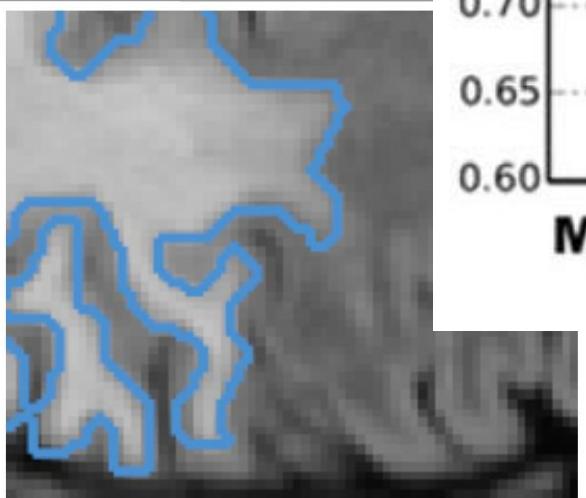
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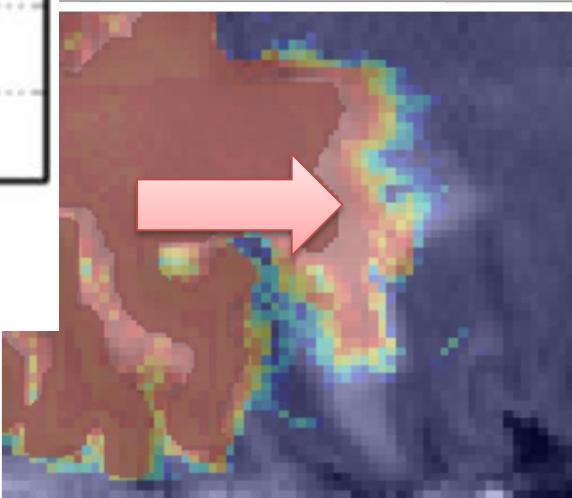
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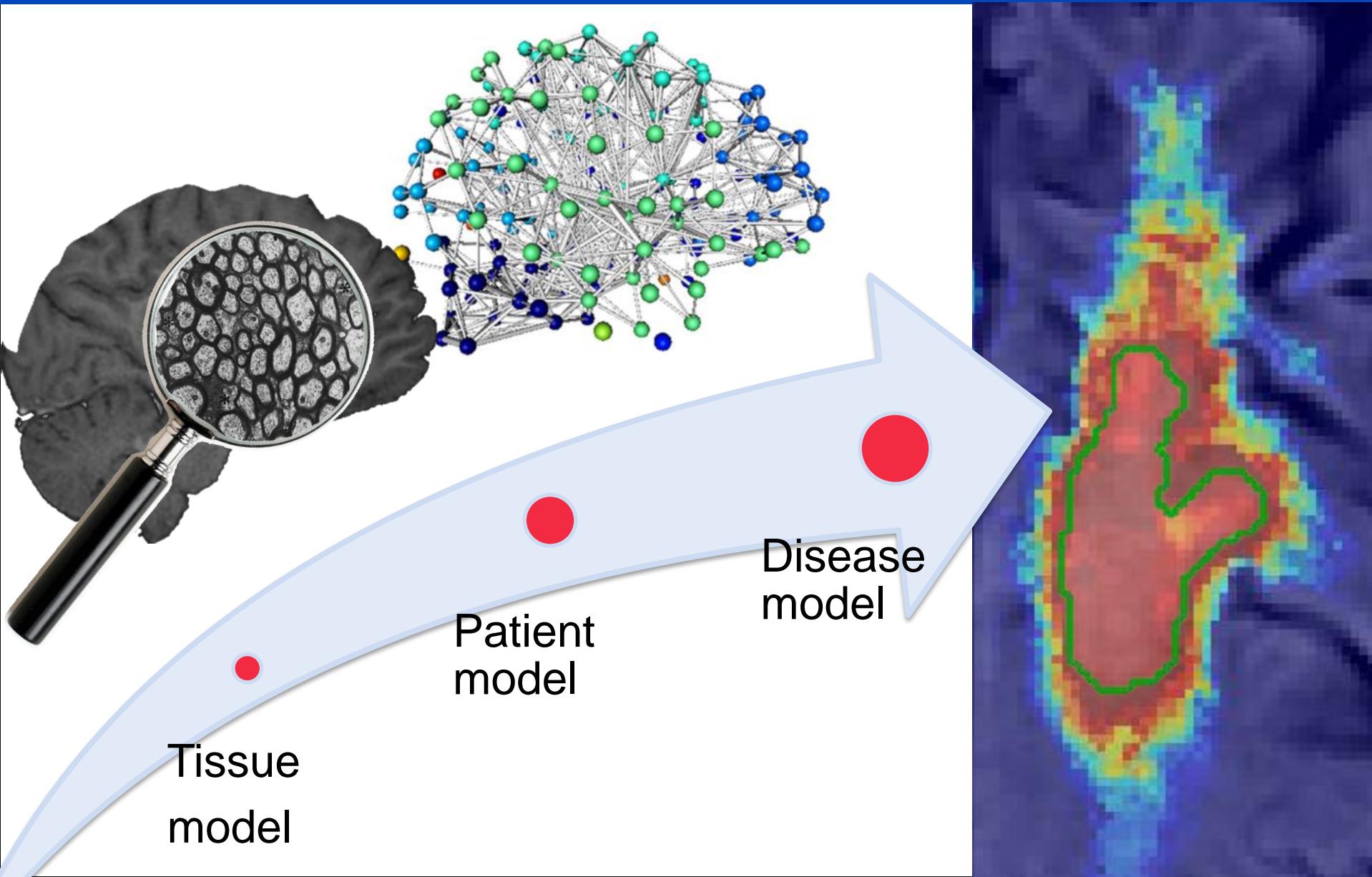
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Multivariate graph State of the art



Prediction of brain tumor growth



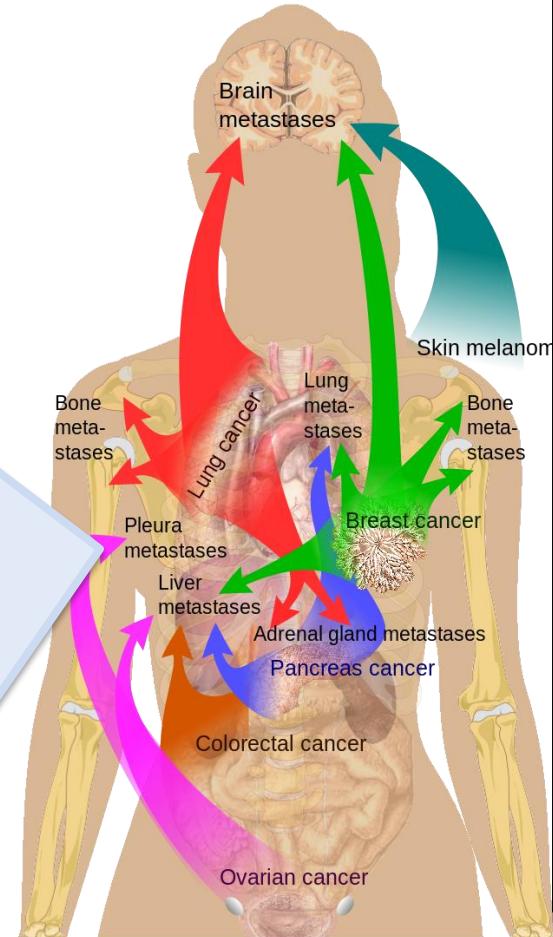
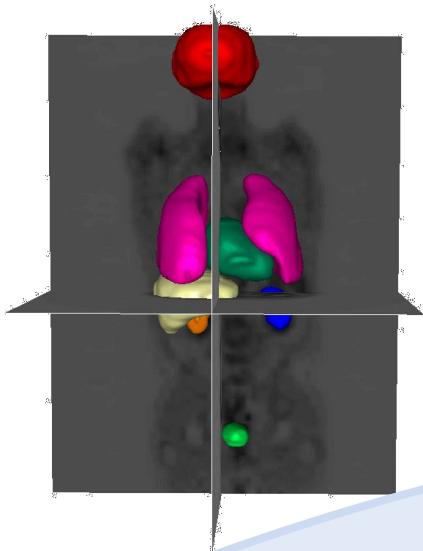
Modeling patterns of metastases



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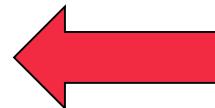
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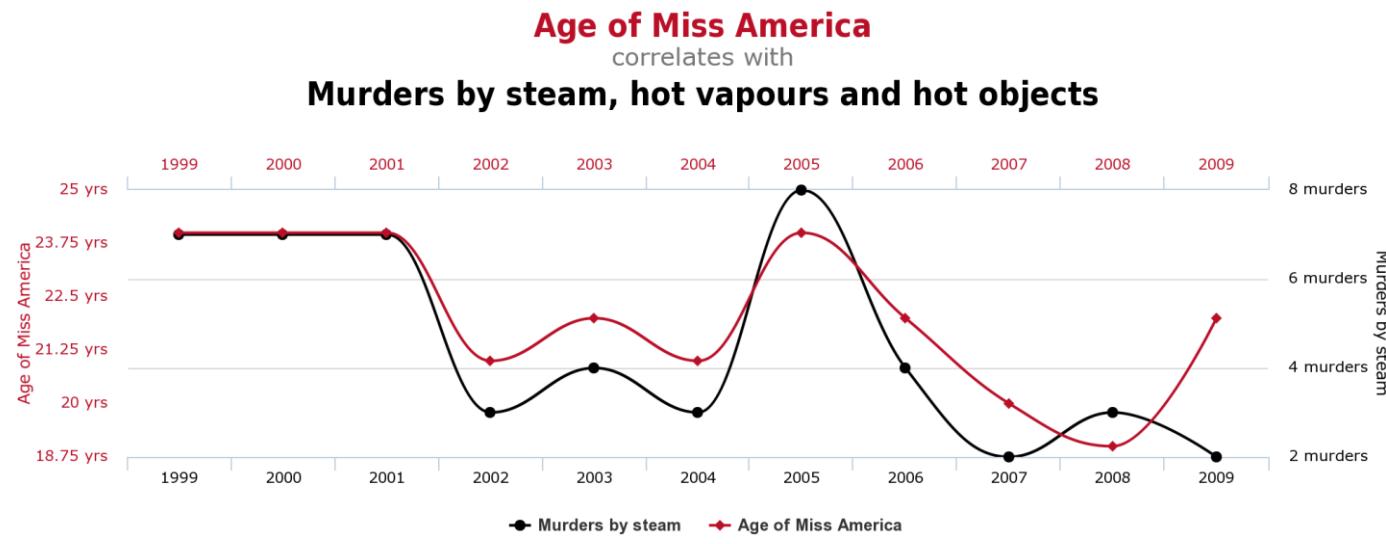
Big data challenges

- Capture
- Manage
- Process
- Share
- Integrate
- Analyze
- Interpret



Is the scientific method itself becoming obsolete?

- Proportion of false alarms among proposed “findings” may increase when one can measure more things
- Big Data’s is a new tool, finds associations, does not in show whether these have meaning
- Does not replace randomized clinical trials and other experimental designs



Summary

- More in the data than expected: Use data-driven approaches!
- Radiomics for image-based personalized medicine
- Potential impact for radiation therapy
- Many Challenges ahead

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