



Scientific Visualization 101

Image Segmentation and 3D Analysis

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What are you interested in learning today?

- I am interested in learning foundational techniques of **image segmentation** and **3D analysis**
- To create meaningful and accurate **visual representations** of complex datasets, enhancing the ability to communicate findings.
- The basic of using **Avizo, measuring** dimensions, and **transform** a Avizo file to a CAD file (if possible)
- Segment CT scans and MRI to obtain real data **3D models**
- How to analyze and segment **biological images**
- How to segment and analyse **pores** space from a **rock**
- Image segmentation using **Deep Learning** and Machine Learning data analysis.

How can I use Avizo to

visualize

process

segment

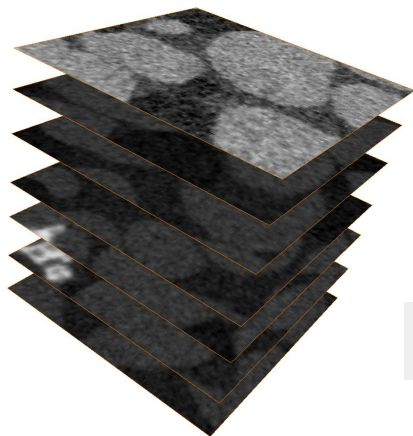
analyze

transform

my data?

Overview

image stack

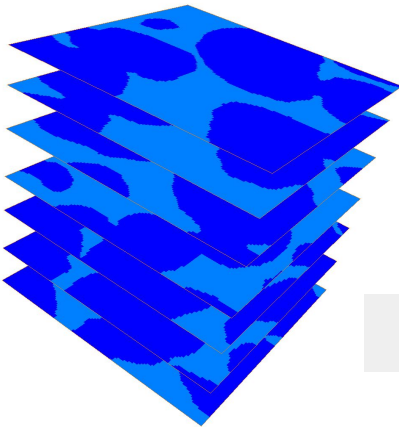


e.g., 16-bit images
(tiff, png, jpeg)



segmentation

label images

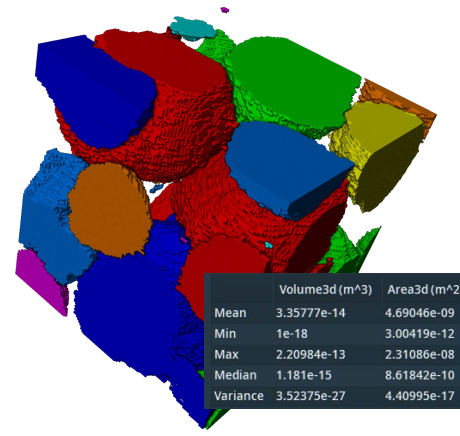


e.g., 8-bit images
(tiff, png)



analysis

analysis results



e.g., tabular data
(csv, excel)

	Volume3d (m ³)	Area3d (m ²)
Mean	3.35777e-14	4.69046e-09
Min	1e-18	3.00419e-12
Max	2.20984e-13	2.31086e-08
Median	1.181e-15	8.61842e-10
Variance	3.52375e-27	4.40995e-17

Avizo 2024.1

The screenshot displays the Avizo 2024.1 software interface. The central 3D view shows a porous material structure with various components highlighted in different colors (blue, yellow, green, red, purple, orange). The interface includes a menu bar at the top, a toolbar, and several panels:

- Colormap Editor:** Shows a color map for 'volrenWhite.am' with data 'KIL-61.am'. The x-axis ranges from 31420 to 65534, and the y-axis ranges from 0 to 100.
- Project View:** Displays a tree structure of the project, including 'KIL-61.modif', 'Median Filter', 'Filter Sandbox', 'KIL-61(2).filtered', 'KIL-61(3).labels', 'Ortho Slice(4)', and 'Color Wash'.
- Properties:** Shows details for 'KIL-61.am', including Lattice Info (1408 x 1428 x 768), Data Info (grayscale, 16-bit unsigned), Memory Size (2945.3 MB), Physical Size (5.9094e+07, 5.9934e+07, 3.2214e+07 [nm]), and Voxel Size (42000 x 42000 x 42000 [nm]).
- Tables:** A table titled 'KIL-61(4).Label-Analysis' with columns: Pore ID, Volume [nm^3], Area [nm^2], and EqRadi. The table contains 29 rows of data.
- Consoles:** Shows the execution of a Python script, including commands like 'Reading KIL-61(4).filtered', 'Reading KIL-61(4).Label-Analysis', and 'Reading pores.PNM'.

Pore ID	Volume [nm ³]	Area [nm ²]	EqRadi
1 0	8.612254333e+19	1.259749756e+14	2739530.
2 1	1.273136425e+19	3.36289711e+13	1448534.
3 2	1.194151163e+18	7.754208565e+12	658147.9
4 3	1.094369411e+19	7.85072492e+13	1372289.
5 4	3.224608182e+18	1.521387291e+13	916493.6
6 5	8.371949196e+15	2.277827859e+11	125963.8
7 6	1.329584122e+18	7.974215031e+12	682143.5
8 7	1.259496808e+16	3.845427632e+11	144334.2
9 8	1.666981168e+16	4.024561942e+11	158470.1
10 9	4.148560524e+18	1.571253395e+13	996788.3
11 10	1.446939558e+17	1.473682761e+12	325677.1
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13 12	9.290345192e+18	2.685341263e+13	1304110.
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17 16	1.316801725e+20	2.036686707e+14	3156098.
18 17	1.109468579e+18	7.106723693e+12	642207.6
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21 20	5.895111847e+19	8.929488373e+13	2414355.
22 21	1.911471598e+16	4.800403118e+11	165866.9
23 22	6.205614805e+17	5.048293114e+12	529133.6
24 23	1.871908665e+18	9.821122169e+12	764537.3
25 24	9.151948309e+18	3.71105442e+13	1297602.
26 25	4.172372055e+19	8.716563416e+13	2151616.
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30 29	1.788485497e+17	1.950448513e+12	349514.8

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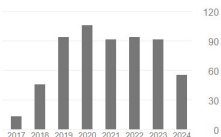
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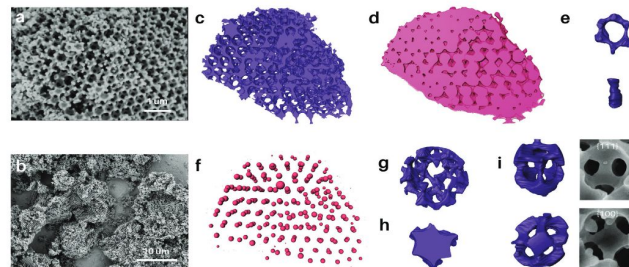
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RESEARCH ARTICLE

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Advancing Membrane Technology: Ordered Macroporous ZIF-67 as a Filler in Mixed Matrix Membranes for Enhanced Propylene/Propane Separation

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OM-ZIF-67 particles at low magnification. c) Surface-rendered plume. e) Surface-rendered parts of OM-ZIF-67: pore aperture its of OM-ZIF-67 particle; g) missing pillar and h) missing pore. ding SEM images.

antages of this type of membrane, e.g. modification of a to make it more similar to a polymer to increase the affine functionalization to improve compatibility,⁴¹ and porphtology modification, such nanoparticles³¹ 2D sheets,³⁴ particles³⁷ etc. additional challenge, the lack of processability in the man- of these composite membranes, was recently overcome cessing MOFs through a porous liquid (PL) state.³⁸ We

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Research Paper

A novel multi-scale μ CT characterization method to quantify biogenic carbonate production

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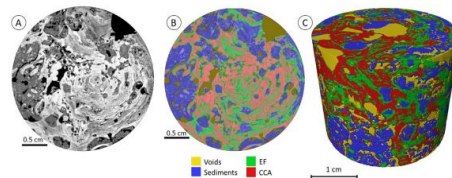


Fig. 1. Ground truth segmentation (A) and corresponding segmented image (B) showing voids, sediments, EF and CCA. (C) 3D visualization of the segmented image showing voids, sediments, EF and CCA from the ground-truth segmentation method applied to the sub-volume HRCT image of the crustose coralline algae.

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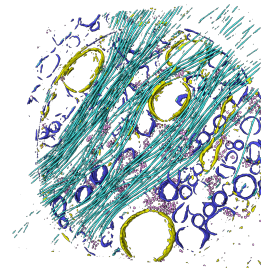
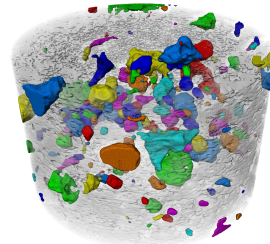
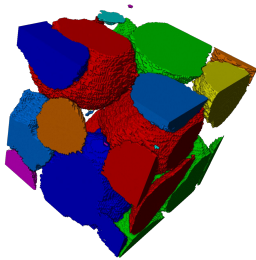


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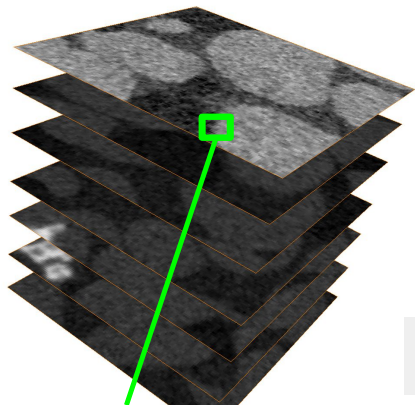
- 10 mins: Overview
- 20 mins: Introduction to Avizo
- 10 mins: **Break**
- 40 mins: Basic Segmentation and Analysis
- 10 mins: **Break**
- 30 mins: Advanced Segmentation and Analysis



Introduction to Avizo

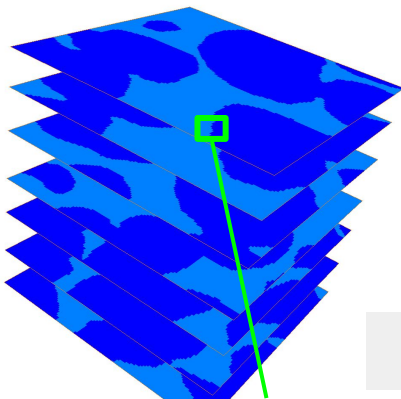
Important concepts

image stack



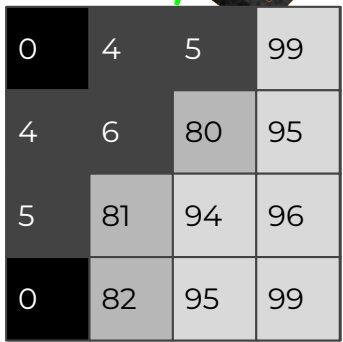
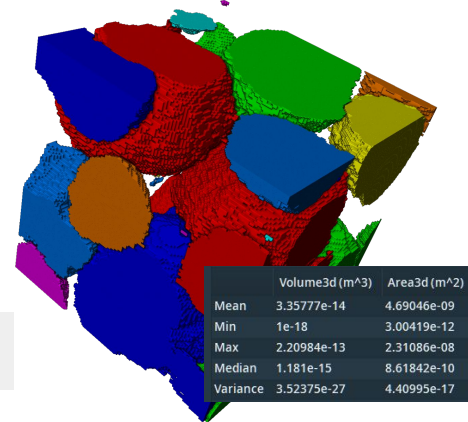
segmentation

label images

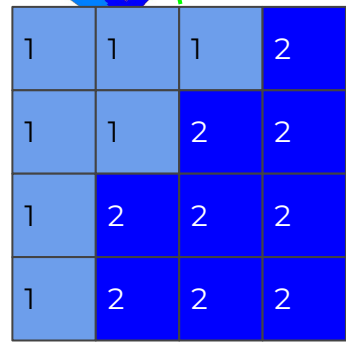


analysis

analysis results



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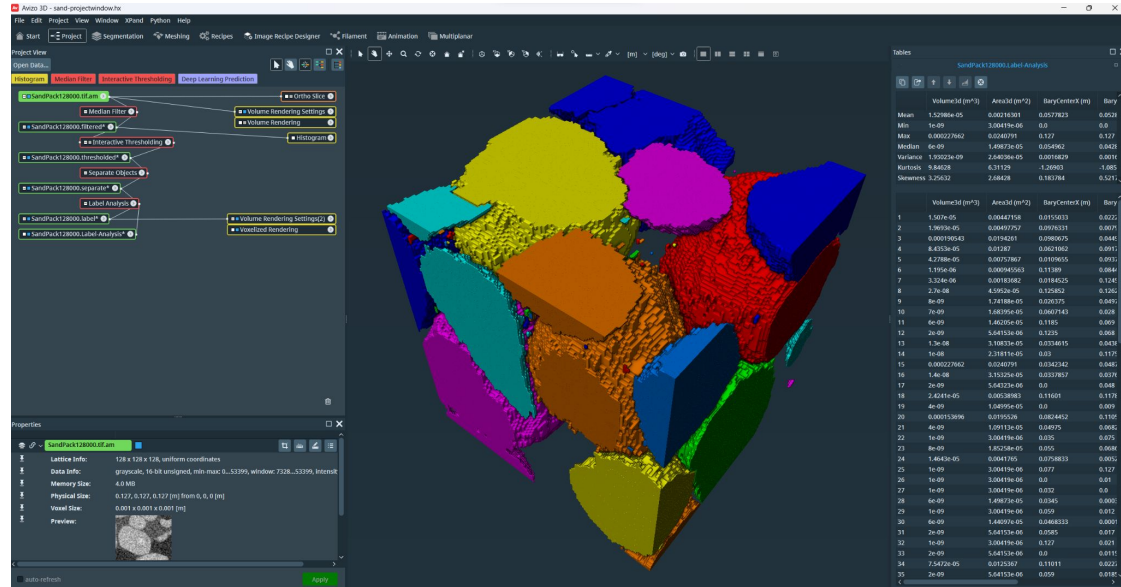
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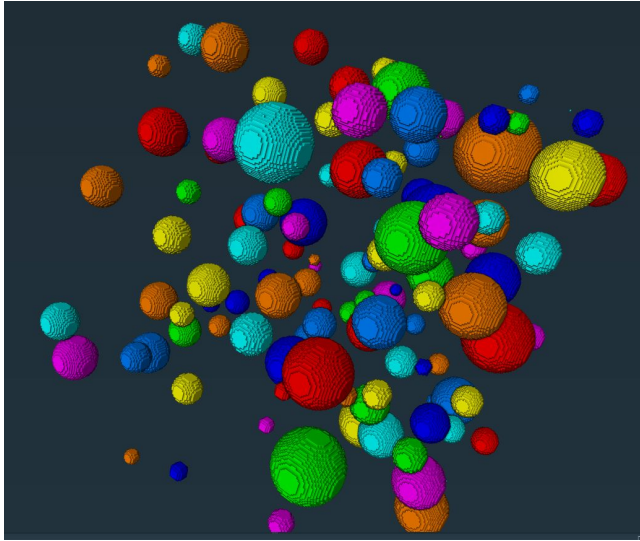
Demo: Sand - Avizo Basics on Project Window

- Orthoslice
- Volume Rendering
- Interactive Thresholding
- Filter Sandbox
- Median Filter
- Voxelized Rendering
- Separate Objects
- Label Analysis
- Export Table
- Screenshots
- Animations

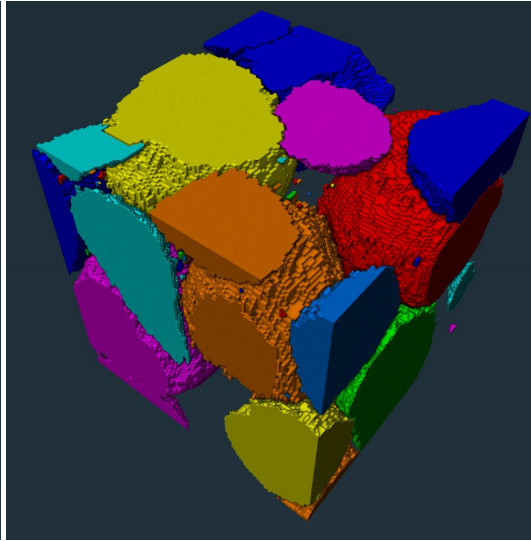


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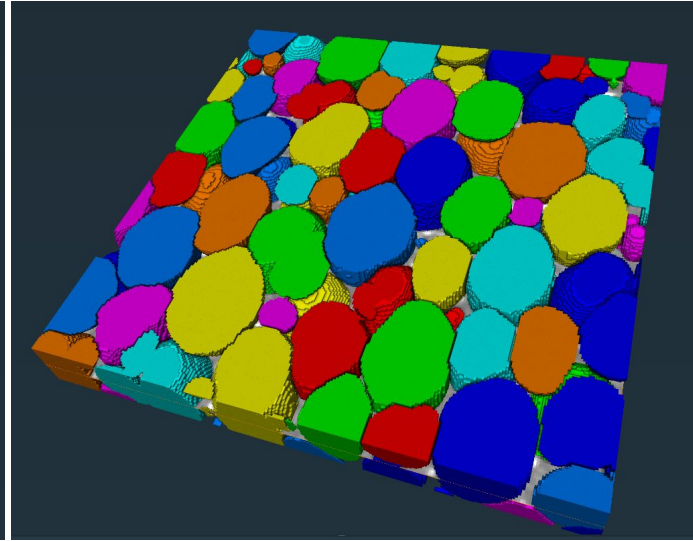
Hint: filter sandbox, median filter, interactive thresholding, separate objects, label analysis



easy - pheres



intermediate - sand



advanced - foam

10-minute Break

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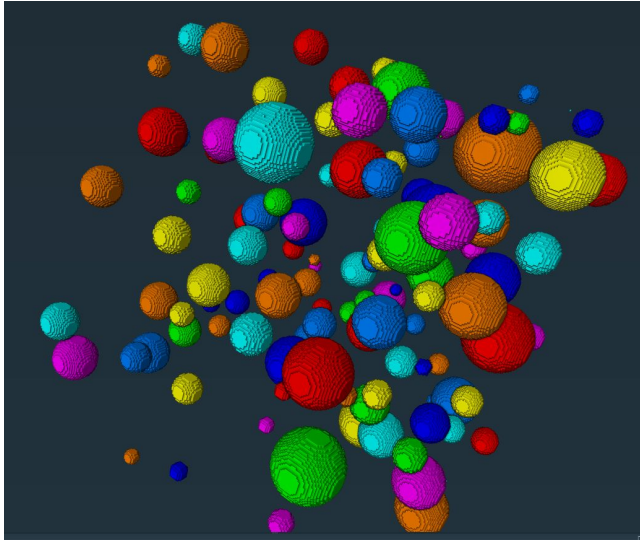
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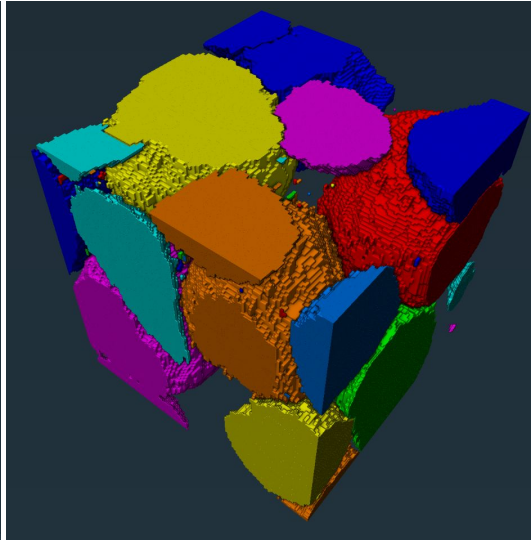
Basic Segmentation and Analysis

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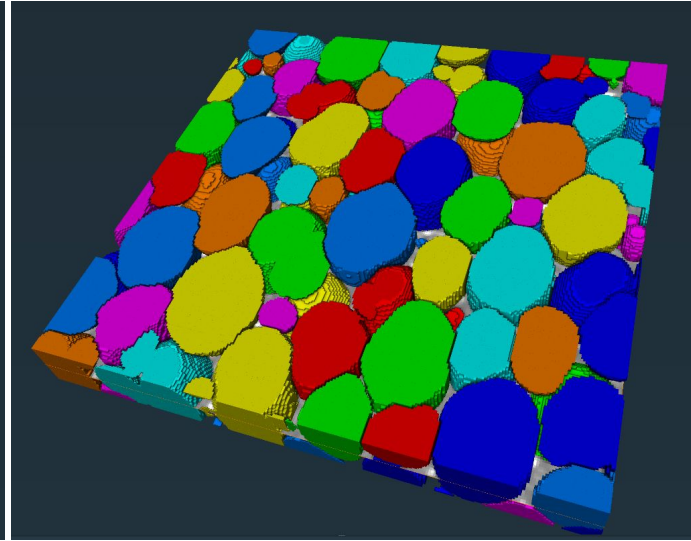
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easy - pheres

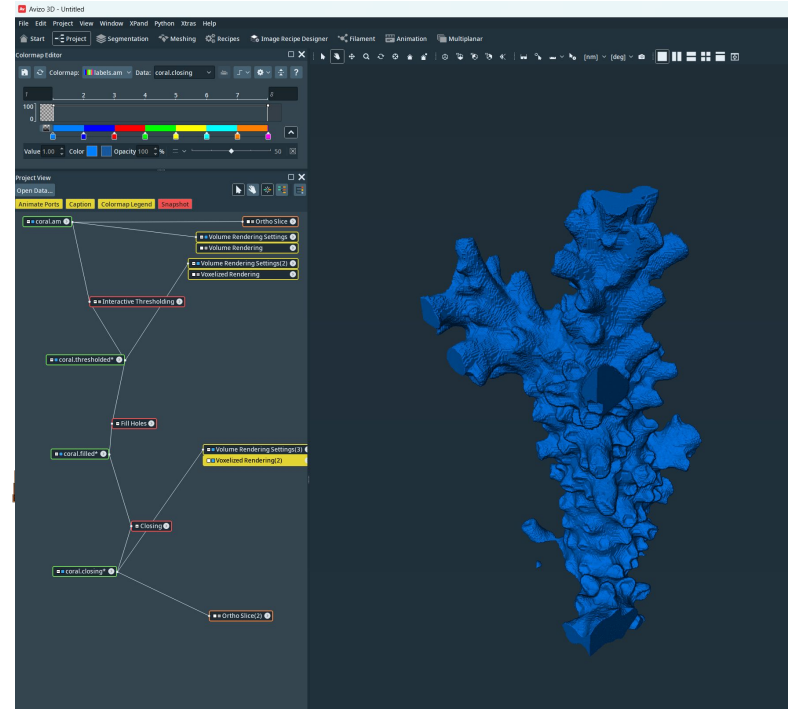
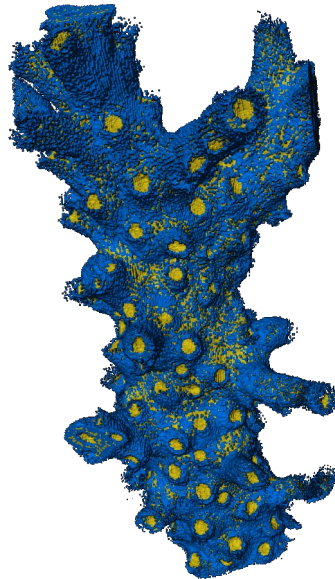
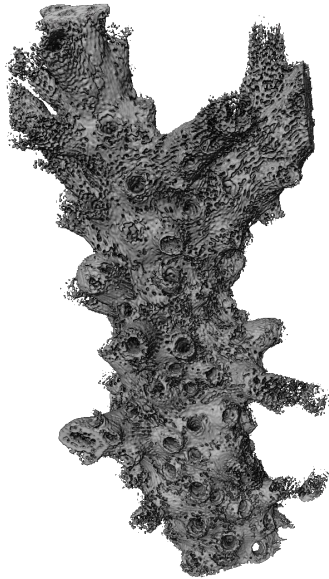


intermediate - sand



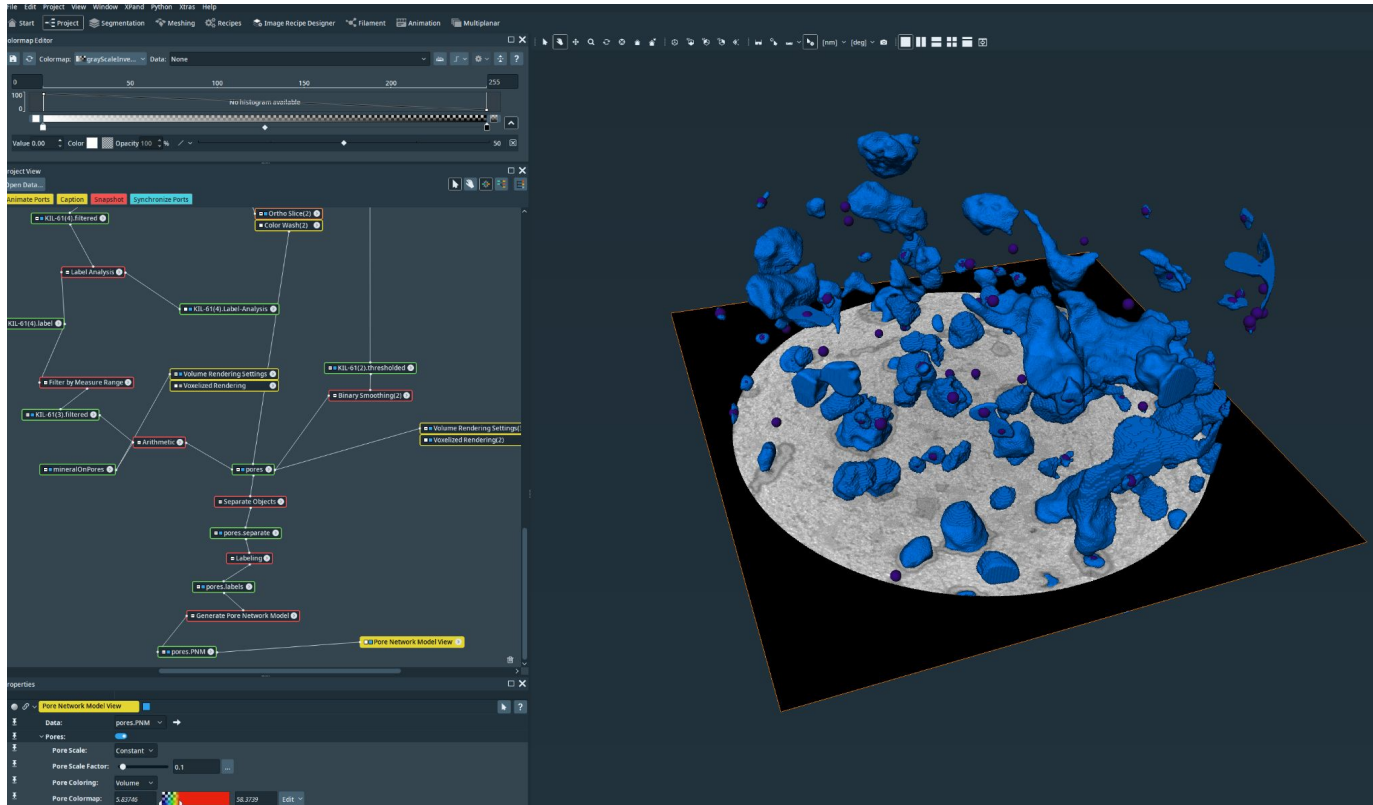
advanced - foam

Hands-on: CT of Coral (measure, surface area, conversion to 3D model)

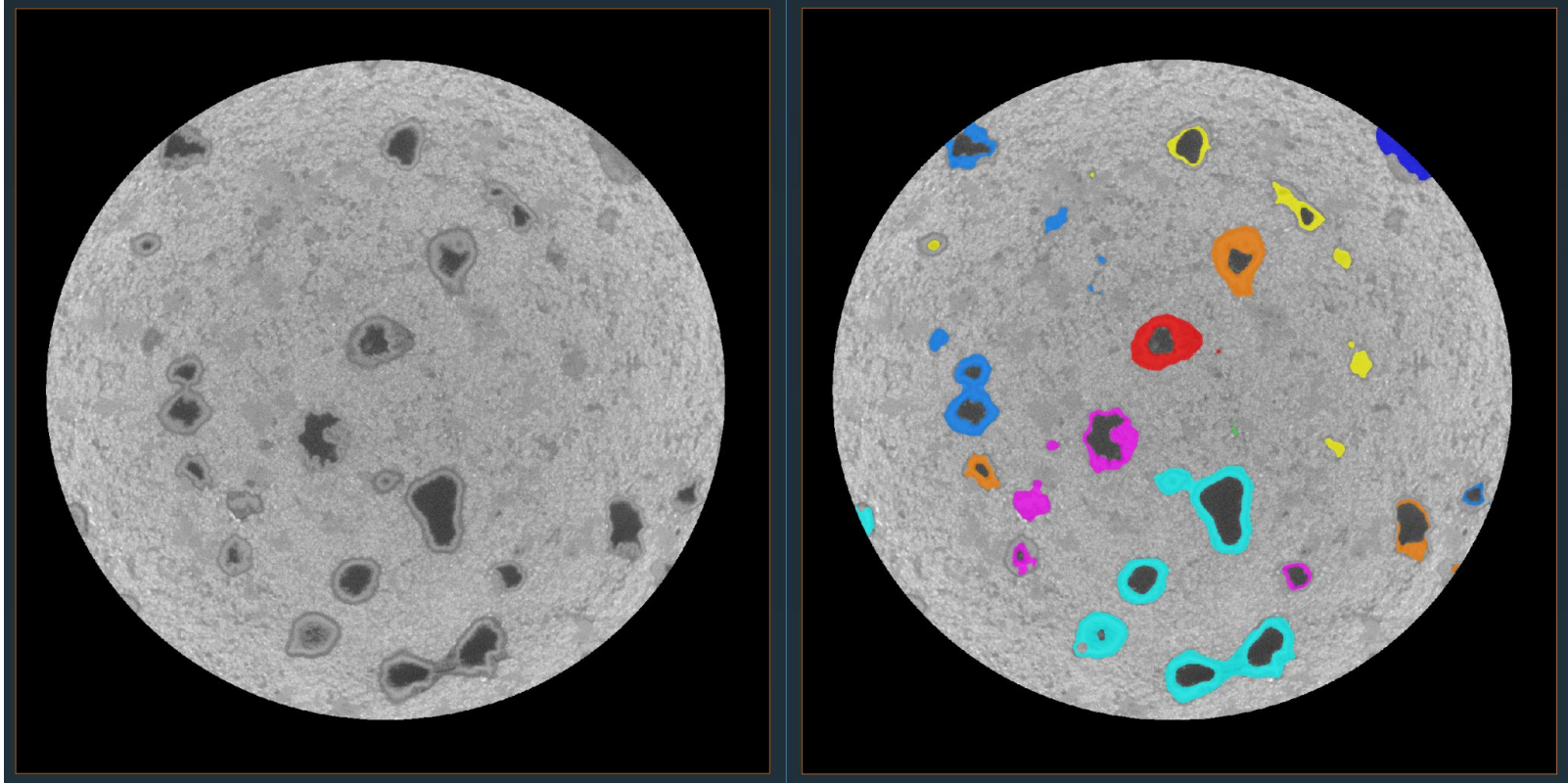


data c/o Eleonora Re and Domingo Sanchez

Hands-on: CT of **basalt** core (pore network analysis)



Hands-on: CT of **basalt** core (pore reduction)



10-minute Break

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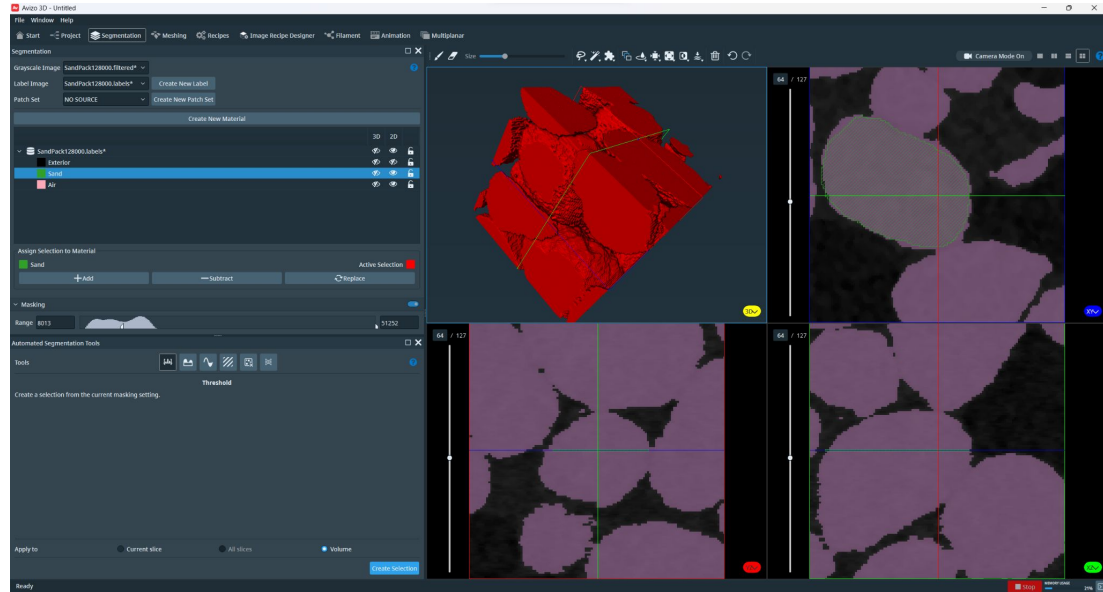


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Advanced Segmentation and Analysis

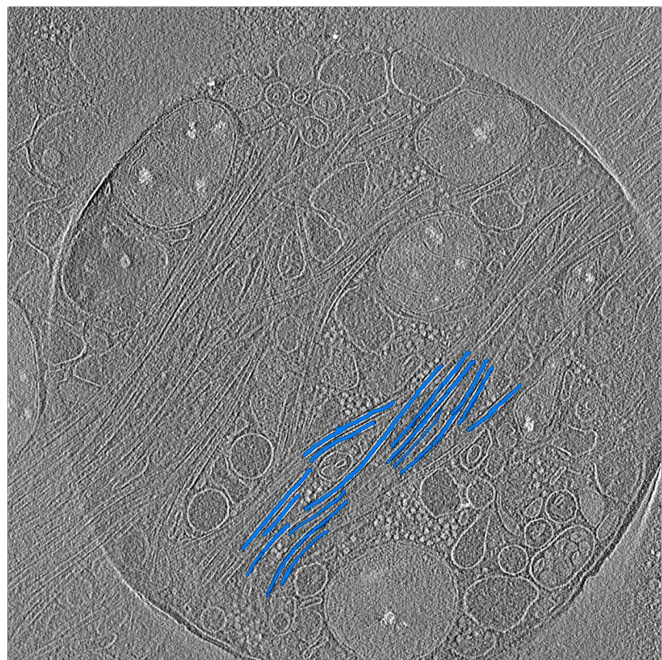
Demo: Sand - Segmentation Workroom

- Set input data (filtered)
- Create new label
- Create new materials
- Create and add selections to material:
 - Using brush
 - Using threshold tool

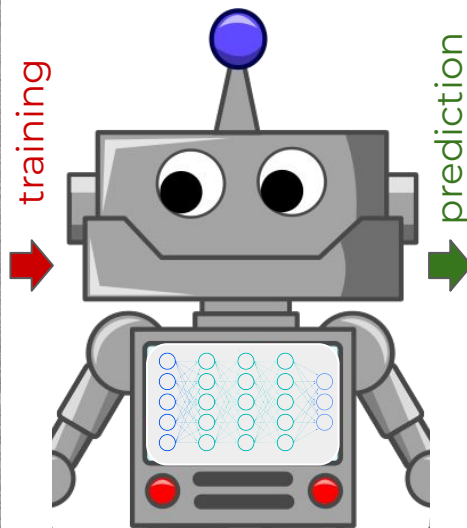


Important AI concepts

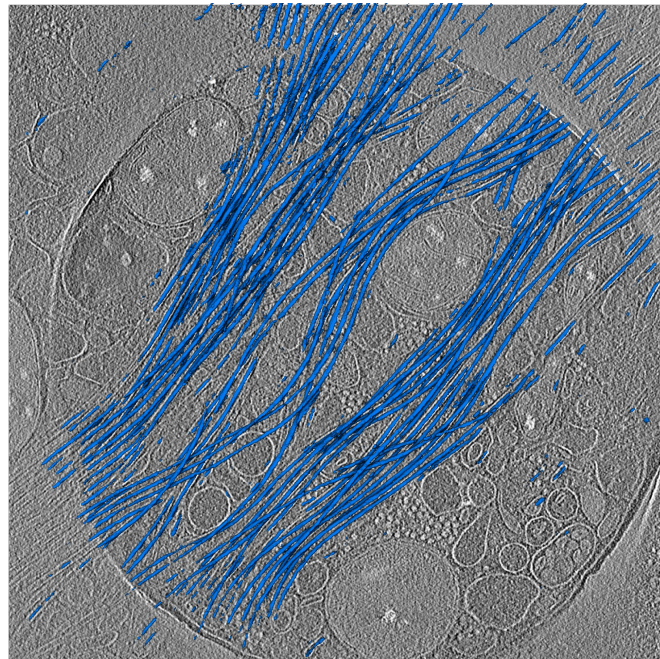
We can use **deep learning models** for segmentation.



human segmentation



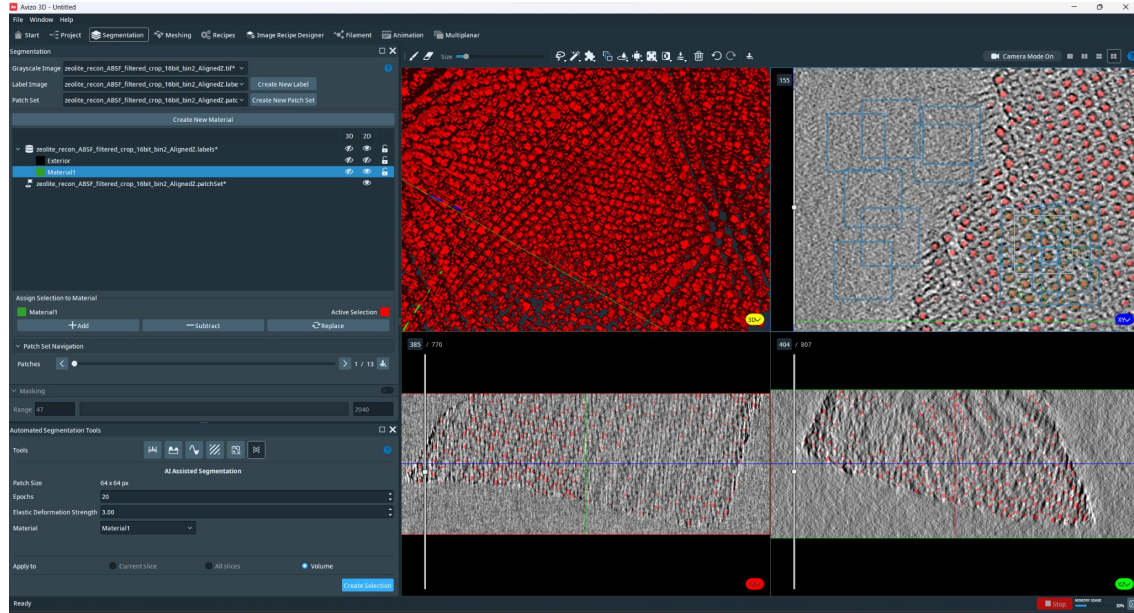
deep learning model
(AI)



AI segmentation

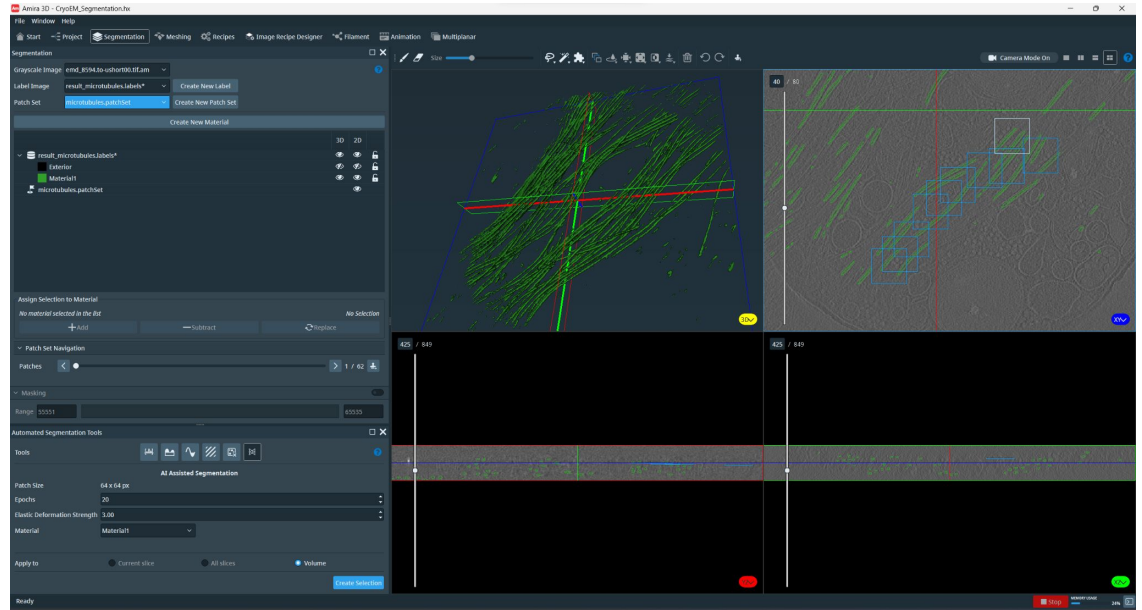
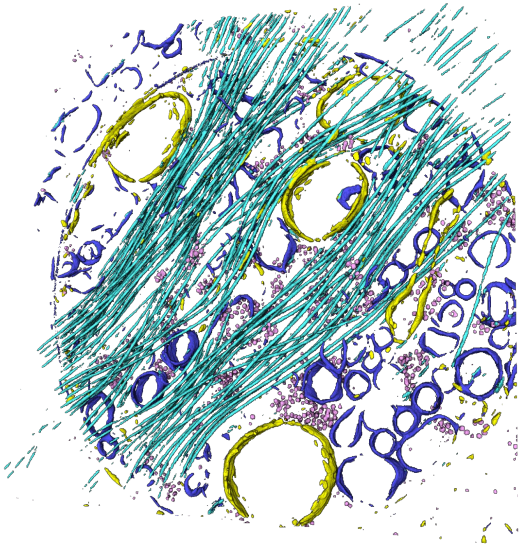
Demo: Zeolite - Segmentation Workroom

- Set input data
- Create new label
- Create new materials
- Add selections to material using brush
- Create new patch set
- Add patches for fore/background
- Create/add selection using AI tool
- Tweak parameters and iterate



data c/o Georgian Melinte
([Parsapur et. al, 2023](#))

Hands-on: CryoEM - Segmentation Workroom



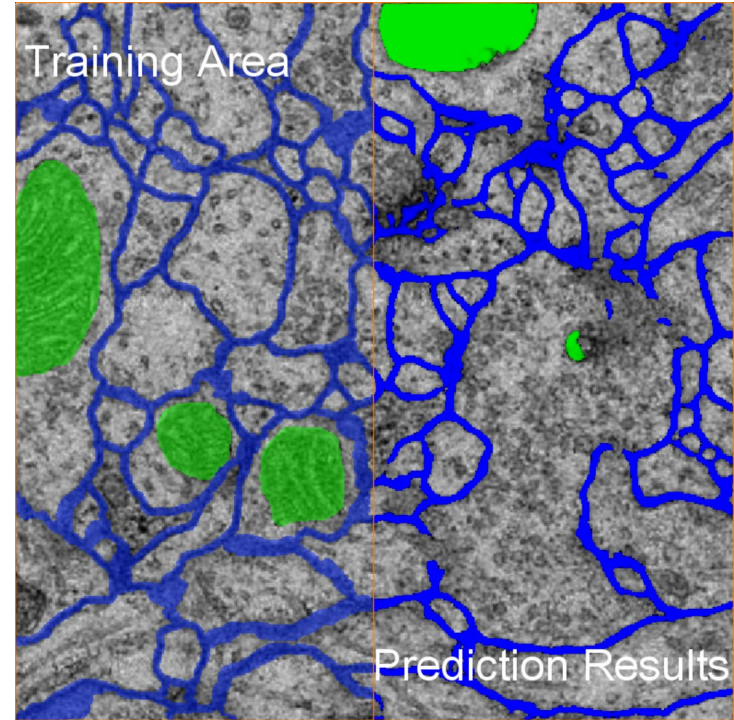
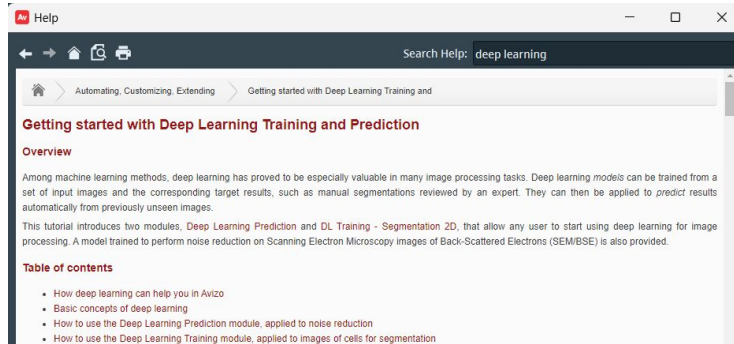
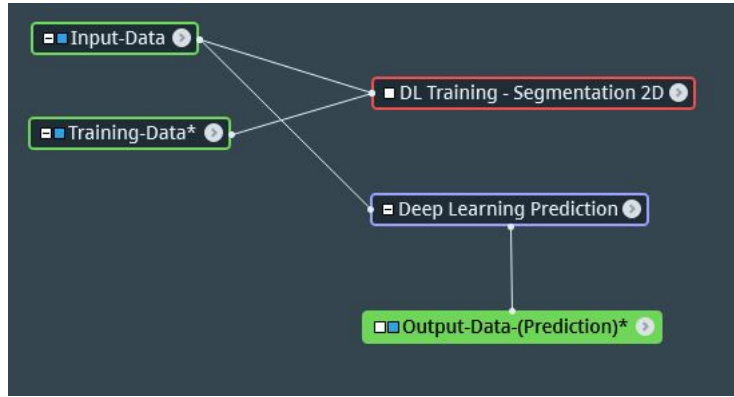
See CryoEM folder in datasets. Input data is CryoEM/CryoEM_Segmentation-files/emd_8594.to-ushort00.tif.

<https://xtras.amira-avizo.com/xtras/ai-assisted-tool-for-cryoem-segmentation>

Workflow recommendation

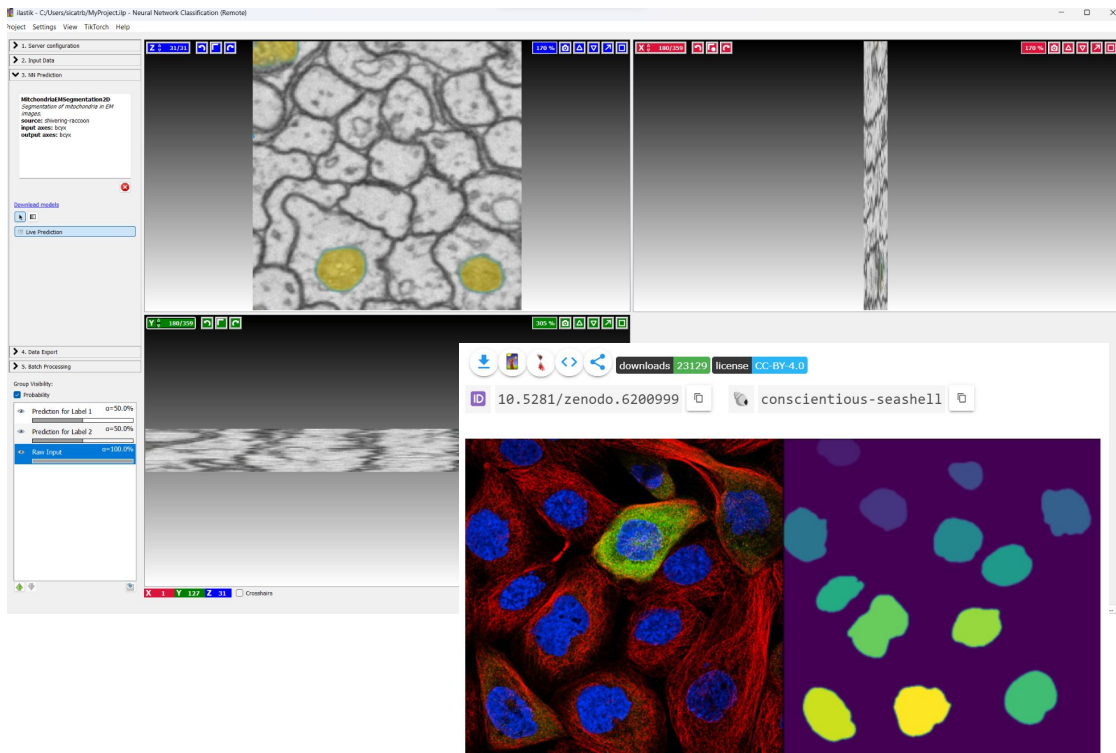
- Inspect data (orthoslice, volume rendering, histogram)
- Filter data to denoise or improve features:
 - Median filter, Bilateral filter, Non-local means filter, Unsharp Masking
- Try simple segmentation tools in Avizo:
 - Thresholding, Watershed, Texture Classification
- Try AI segmentation in Avizo
- Try AI segmentation in ilastik
- Try Pixel Classification in ilastik
- Try Deep Learning Training/Prediction in Avizo
- Try other tools
- Worst case: manual segmentation
- Not sure? Contact **help@vis.kaust.edu.sa**.

Deep Learning Training/Prediction in Avizo



Other segmentation tools

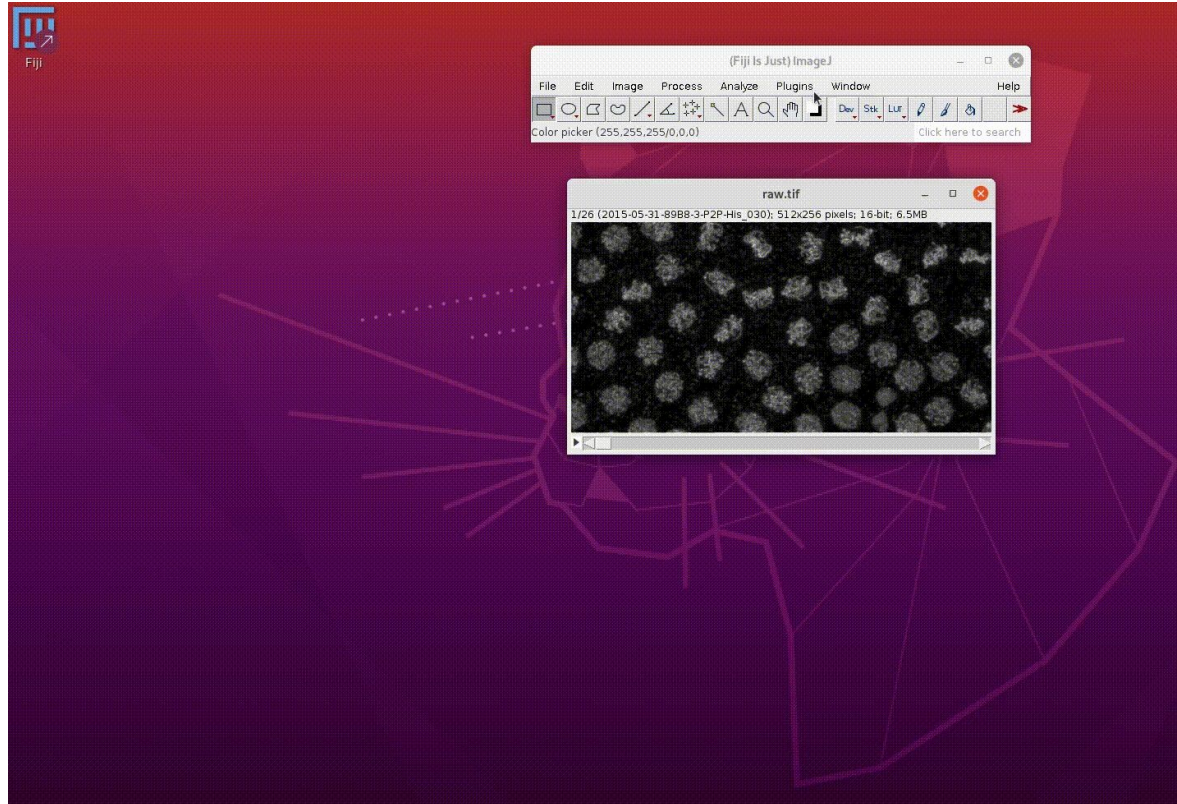
- **ilastik**
- Fiji
- Matlab
- OpenCV
- TensorFlow
- PyTorch



Contributors: Hao Xu Wei Ouyang

Other segmentation tools

- ilastik
- **Fiji**
- Matlab
- OpenCV
- TensorFlow
- PyTorch



Manual segmentation



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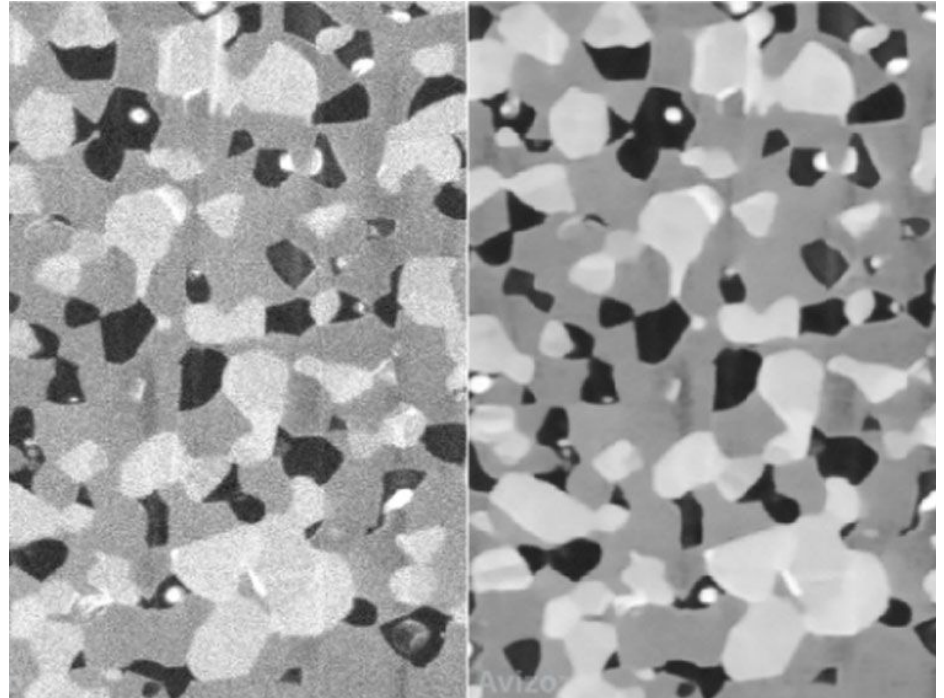
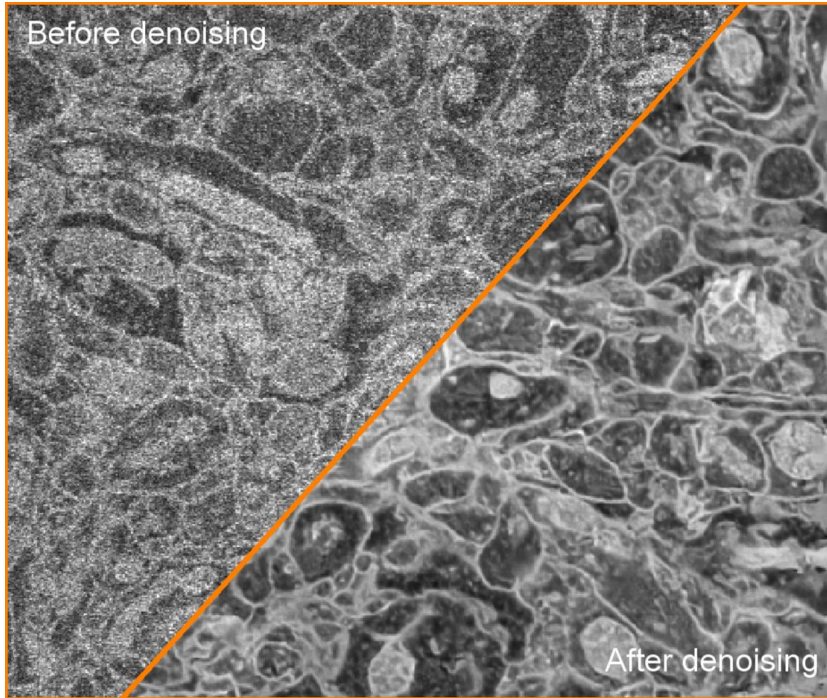
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