

Artificial Intelligence for Computational Pathology

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Typical “Gross” Specimen Received in Pathology



***Formaldehyde
to fix structure
in place***











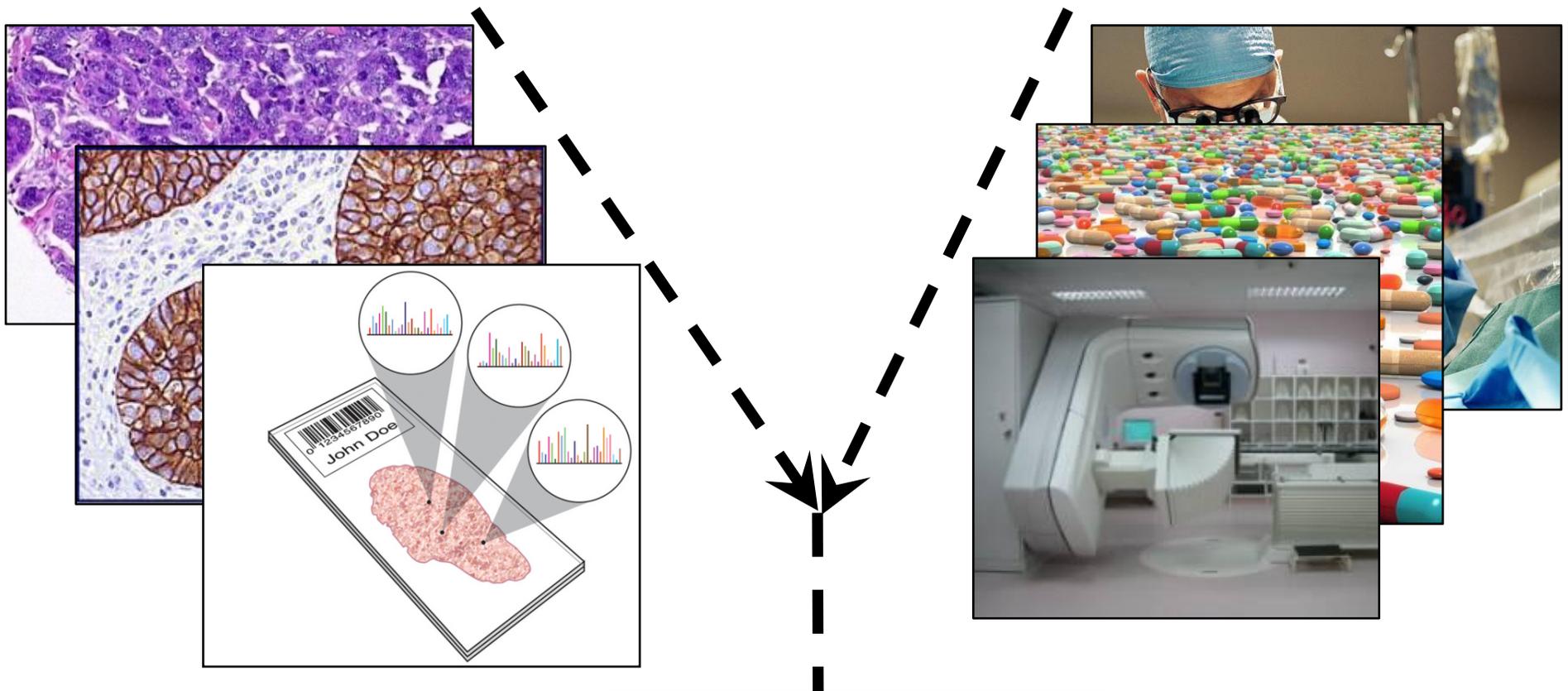




The microscope has remained the most essential tool used by pathologists from the 1900s to the present day

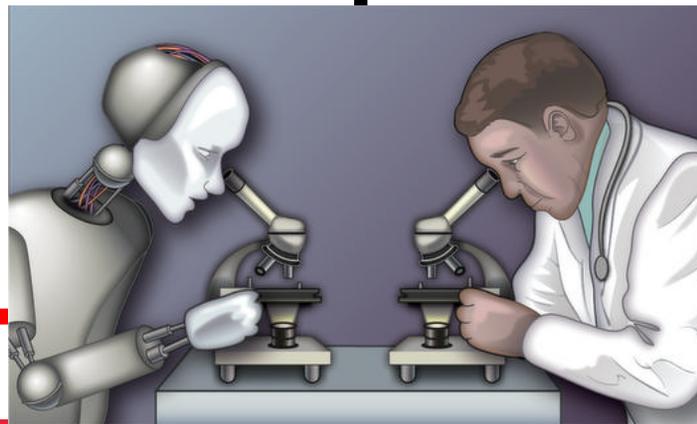


Pathology is critical for precision medicine

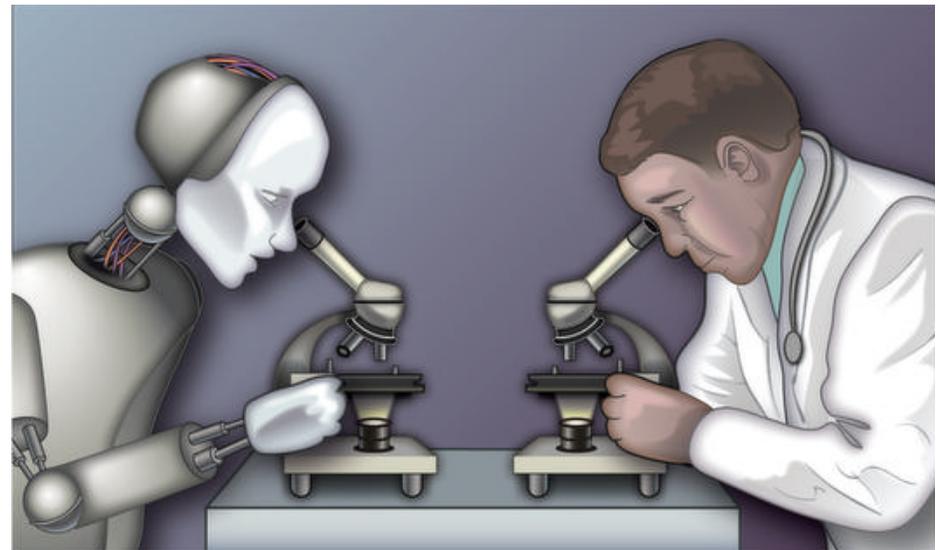
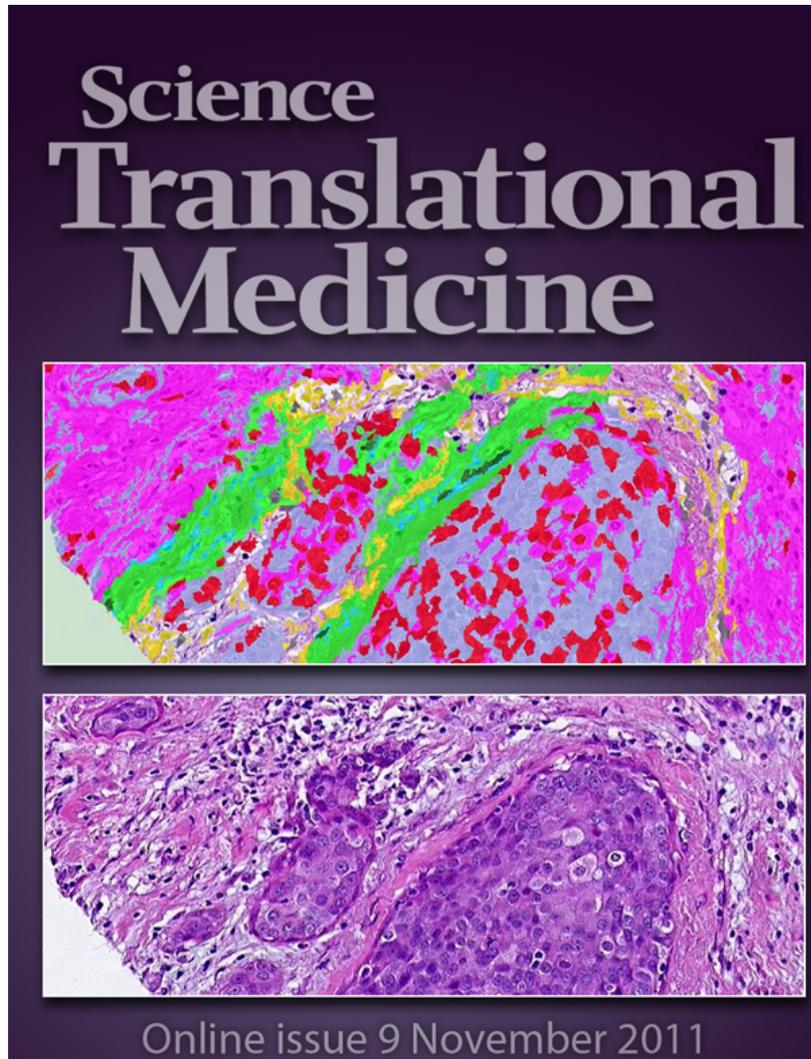


Diagnostics

Therapeutics



Development of a Computational Pathology (C-Path) System (2011)



Joint work with Daphne Koller PhD at
Stanford University

THE POSITION OF
HISTOLOGY IN THE PROGNOSIS OF
CARCINOMA OF THE BREAST.

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Methods for Building Prognostic Model

Signs of Prognostic Value.

The present study was undertaken in an attempt to ascertain if there is any correlation between the histological appearance of the growth and the subsequent course of the disease, and to determine the value of such an analysis in giving a prognosis in an individual case when all the ascertainable factors have been taken into account.

largely followed, but chief importance has been attached to three factors—tubule formation, inequality in size of nuclei, and hyperchromatism.

Standardized Semi-Quantitative Elston-Ellis Grading Scheme (1991)

Table 1. Summary of semiquantitative method for assessing histological grade in breast carcinoma

Feature	Score
Tubule formation	
Majority of tumour (>75%)	1
Moderate degree (10–75%)	2
Little or none (<10%)	3
Nuclear pleomorphism	
Small, regular uniform cells	1
Moderate increase in size and variability	2
Marked variation	3
Mitotic counts	
Dependent on microscope field area (see Table 2)	1–3

3–5 points: grade I —well-differentiated

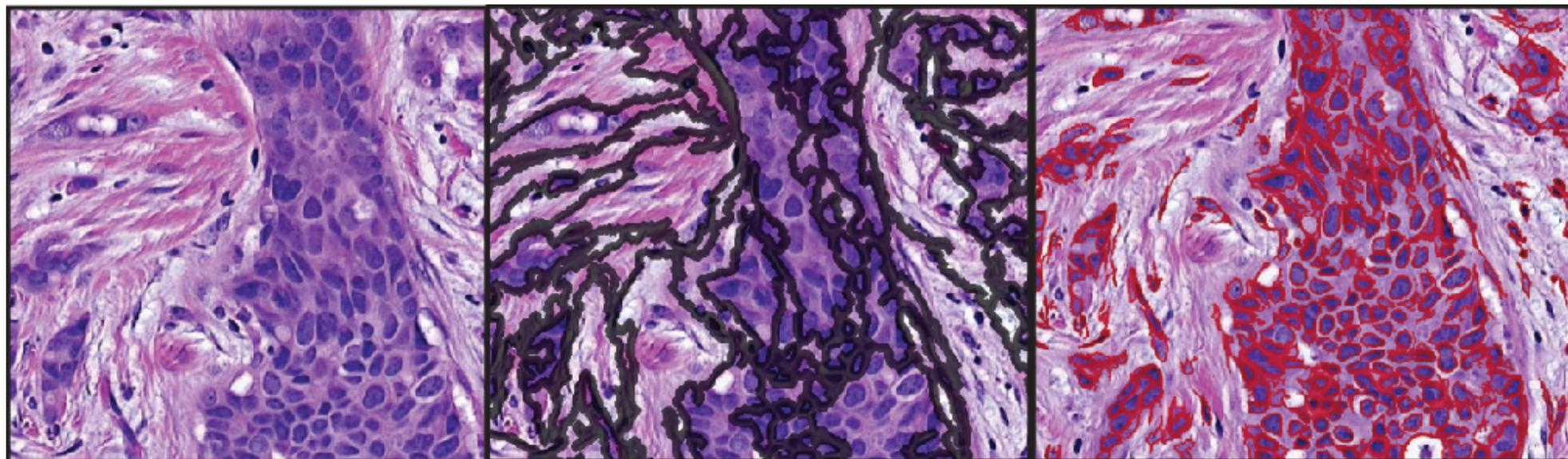
6–7 points: grade II —moderately differentiated

8–9 points: grade III—poorly differentiated

Problems with qualitative visual microscopic analysis for breast cancer grading

- Significant inter-observer variability
 - Doesn't fully capture rich biology encoded in images
 - Not well-suited to evolving landscape of biomedical research
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Basic image processing and feature construction



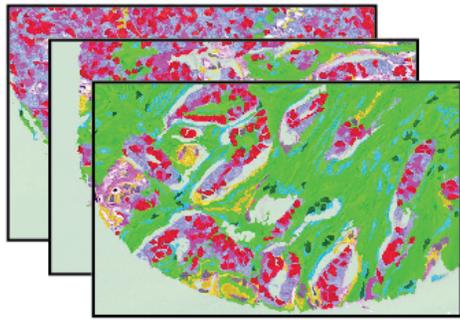
H&E Image

**Image partitioned into
superpixels**

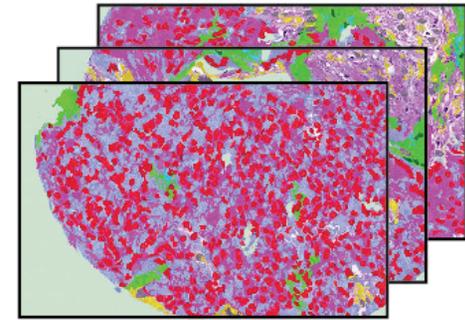
**Nuclear objects identified within
each superpixel**

Learning an image-based model to predict survival

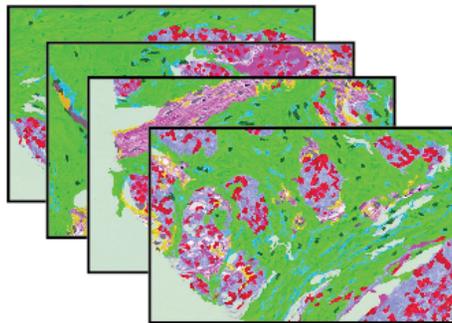
Processed images from patients alive at 5 years



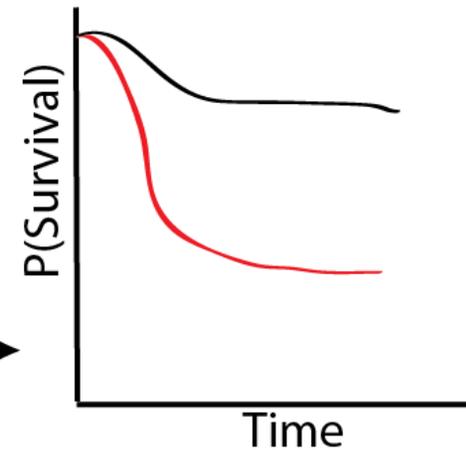
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Unlabeled Images

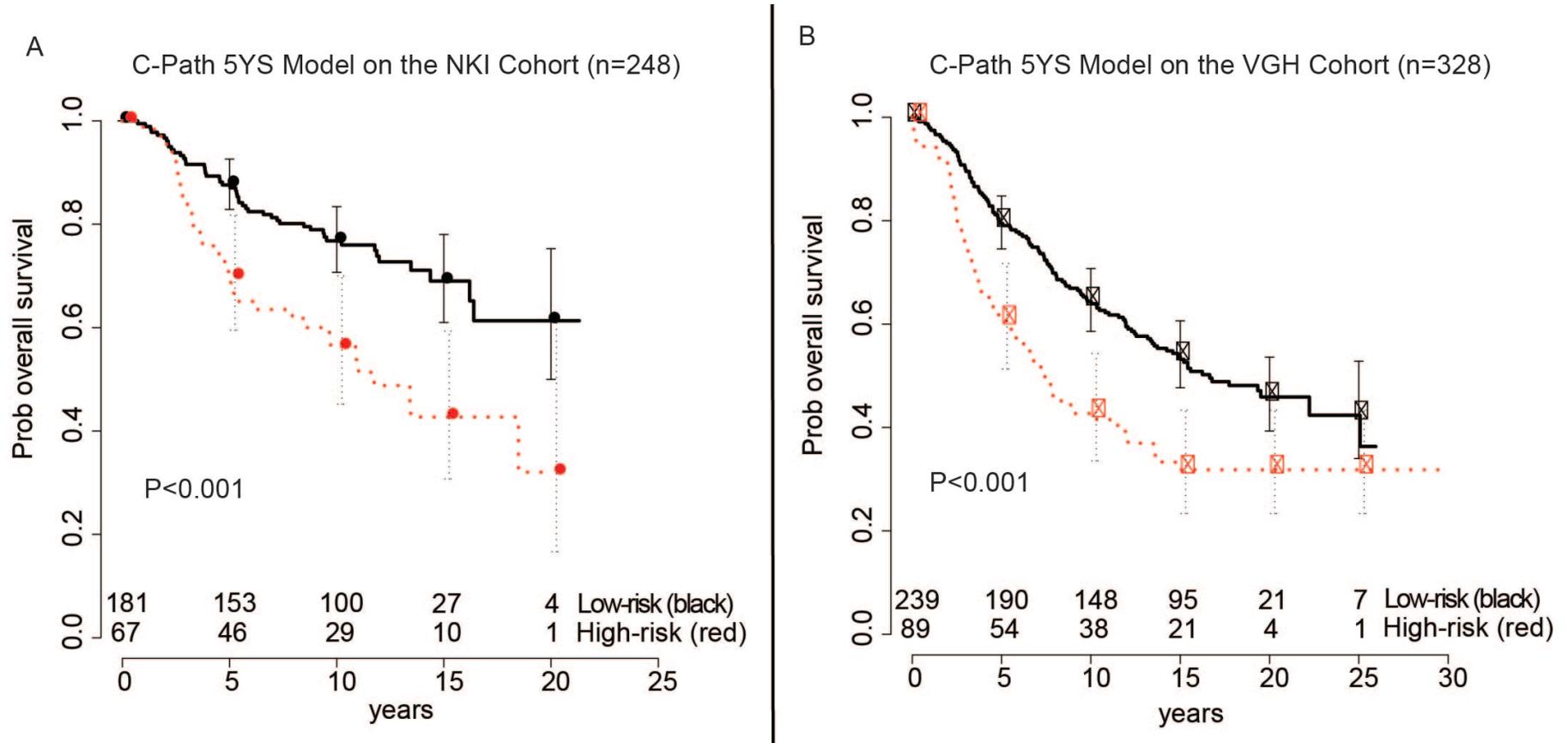


L1-regularized
logistic regression
model building

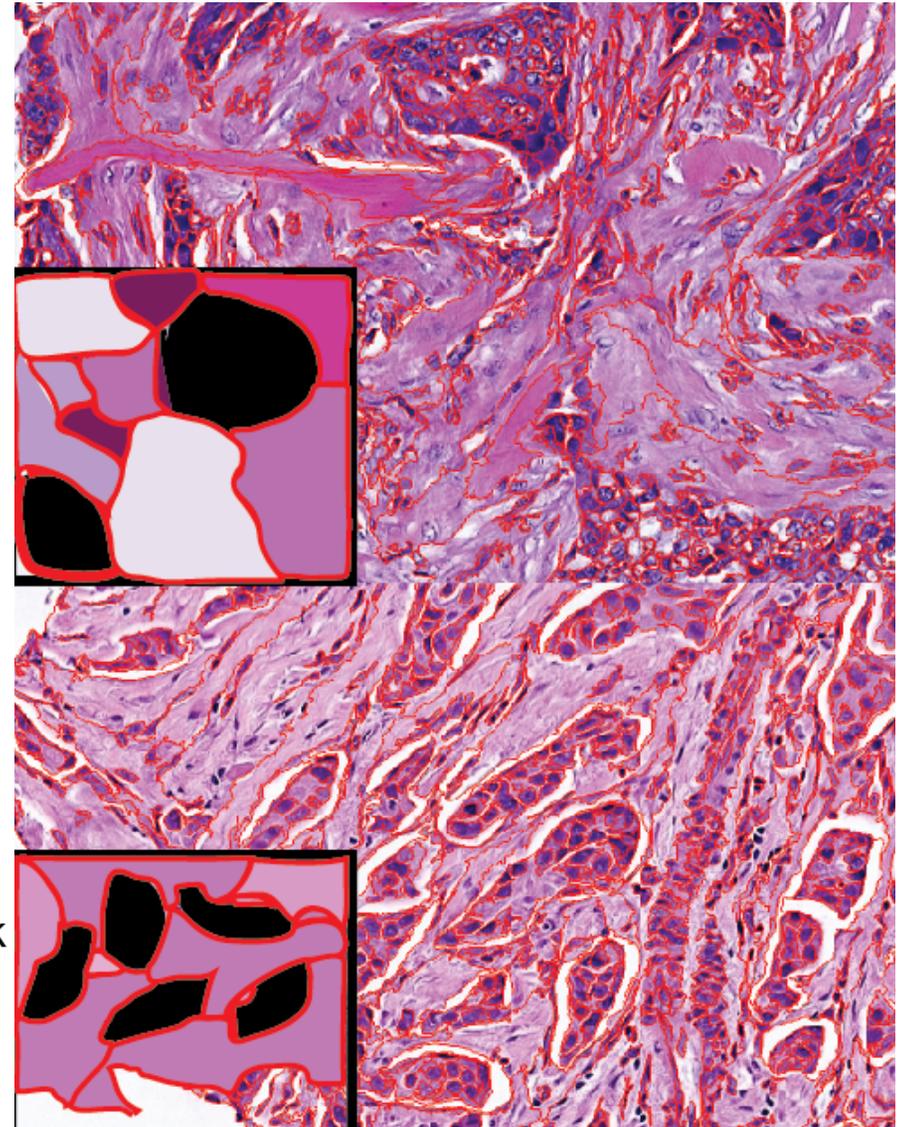
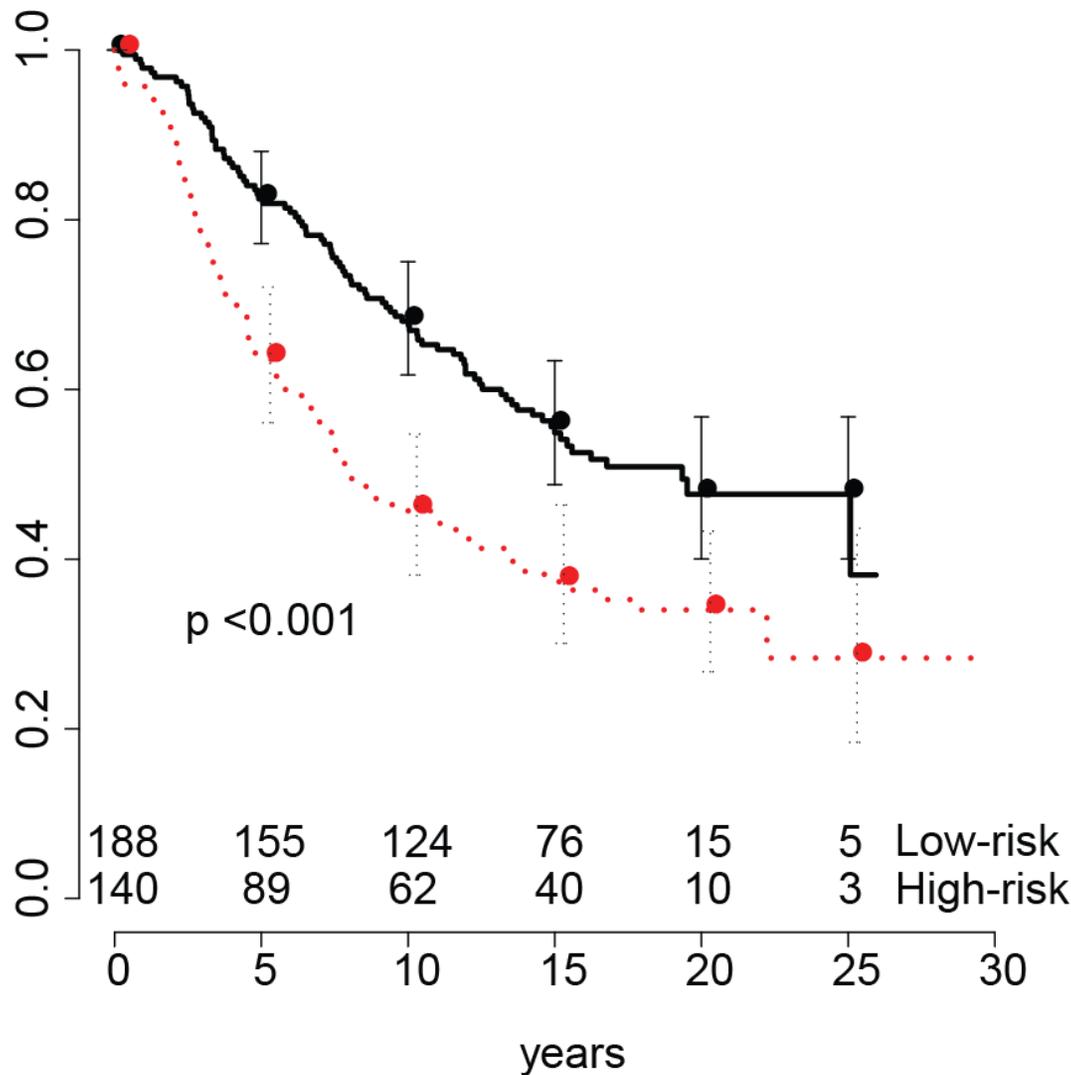


Identification of novel prognostically important morphologic features

C-Path 5YS Score Significantly Associated with Overall Survival



Data-driven discovery of prognostic stromal phenotypes



Training more effective systems requires more labeled data

- Obtaining within image annotations from pathologists is difficult
- No large-scale annotated pathology datasets exist for machine learning algorithm development and evaluation

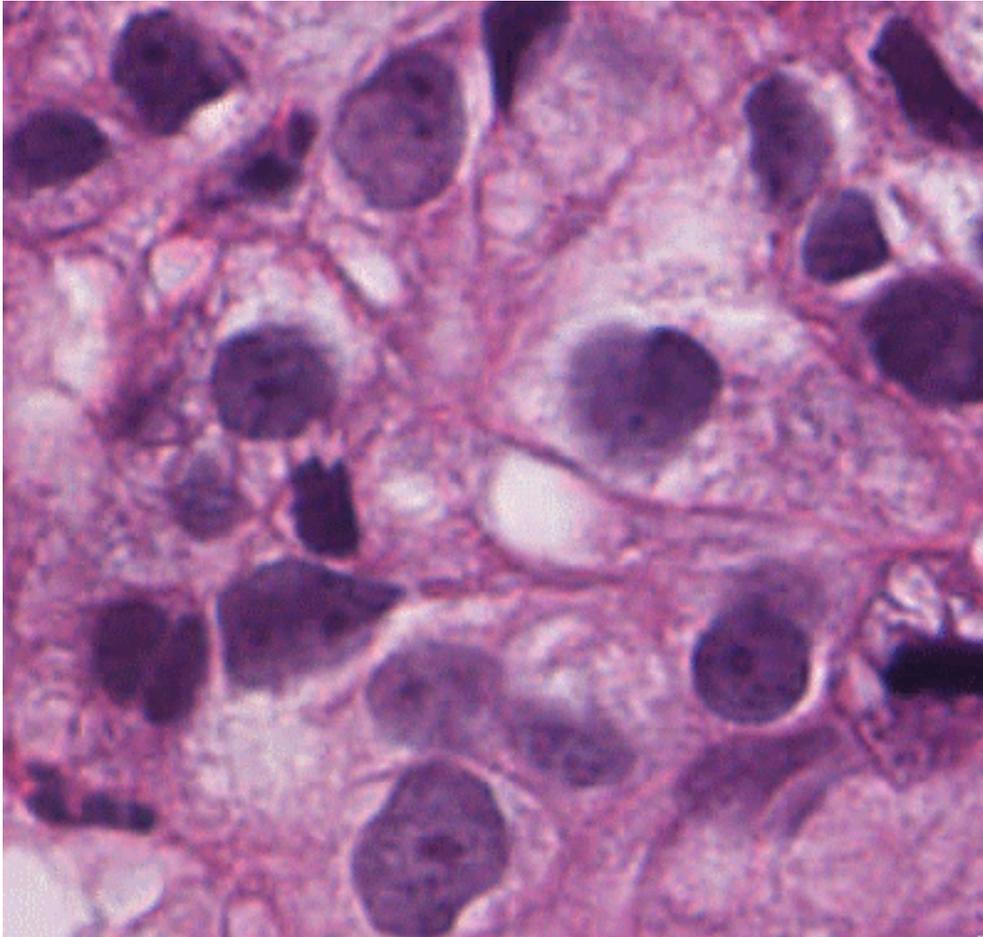
Most pathologists do not enjoy labeling images

Some people may enjoy it

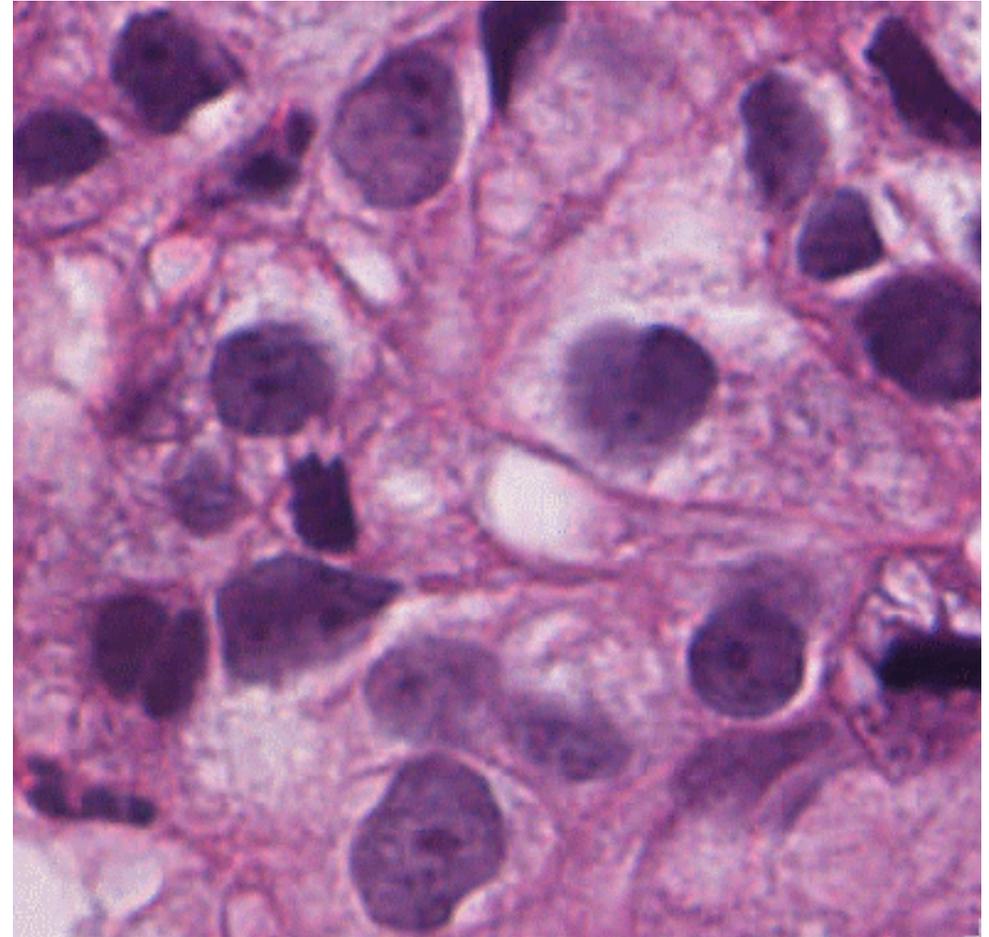


Crowdsourcing Micro-Tasks in Computational Pathology

Nuclei Detection



Nuclei Segmentation



Project led by: Humayun Irshad PhD. Harvard Medical School and BIDMC

Human labelers produce annotations to train and evaluate computational algorithms

Nucleus Detection

Nucleus Segmentation



CrowdedPath

The Demo

PLAY

Leaderboard

Player Profile

Training

F.A.Q.

Human-Powered Machine Learning for Cancer Research

The CrowdedPath slots

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Lines	Bet	Total Bet	Win
9	1	9	

Pick to Spin

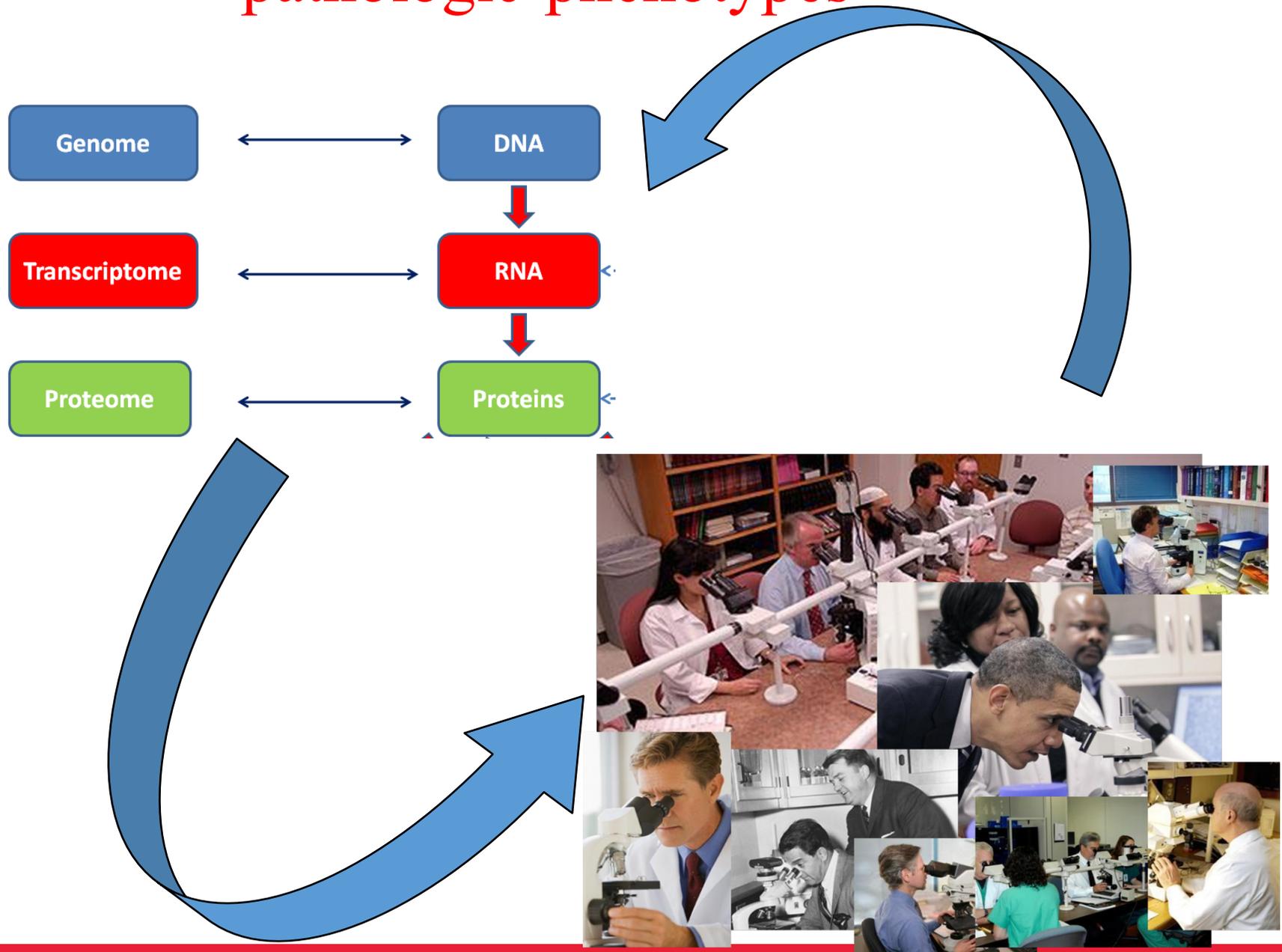
What percentage of the cell nuclei are brown?
Ranging from 0% (all blue) to 100% (all brown).

0 50 100 ? Save

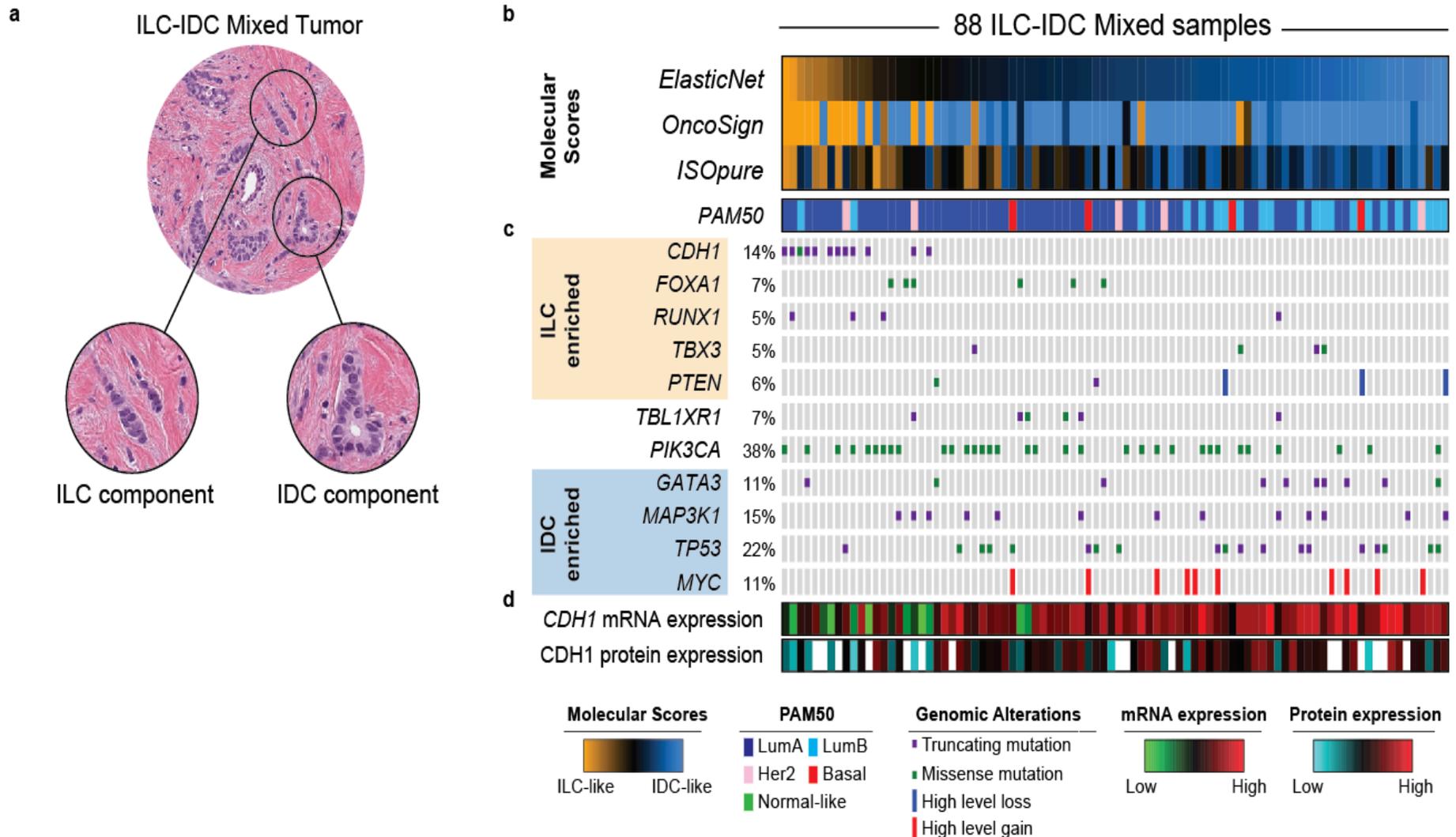
Crowdsourcing for computational pathology

- Crowdsourcing and gamification are new approaches for generating large-scale annotated data sets for computational pathology
 - Massive hand-annotated data should fuel the development of improved computational pathology tools
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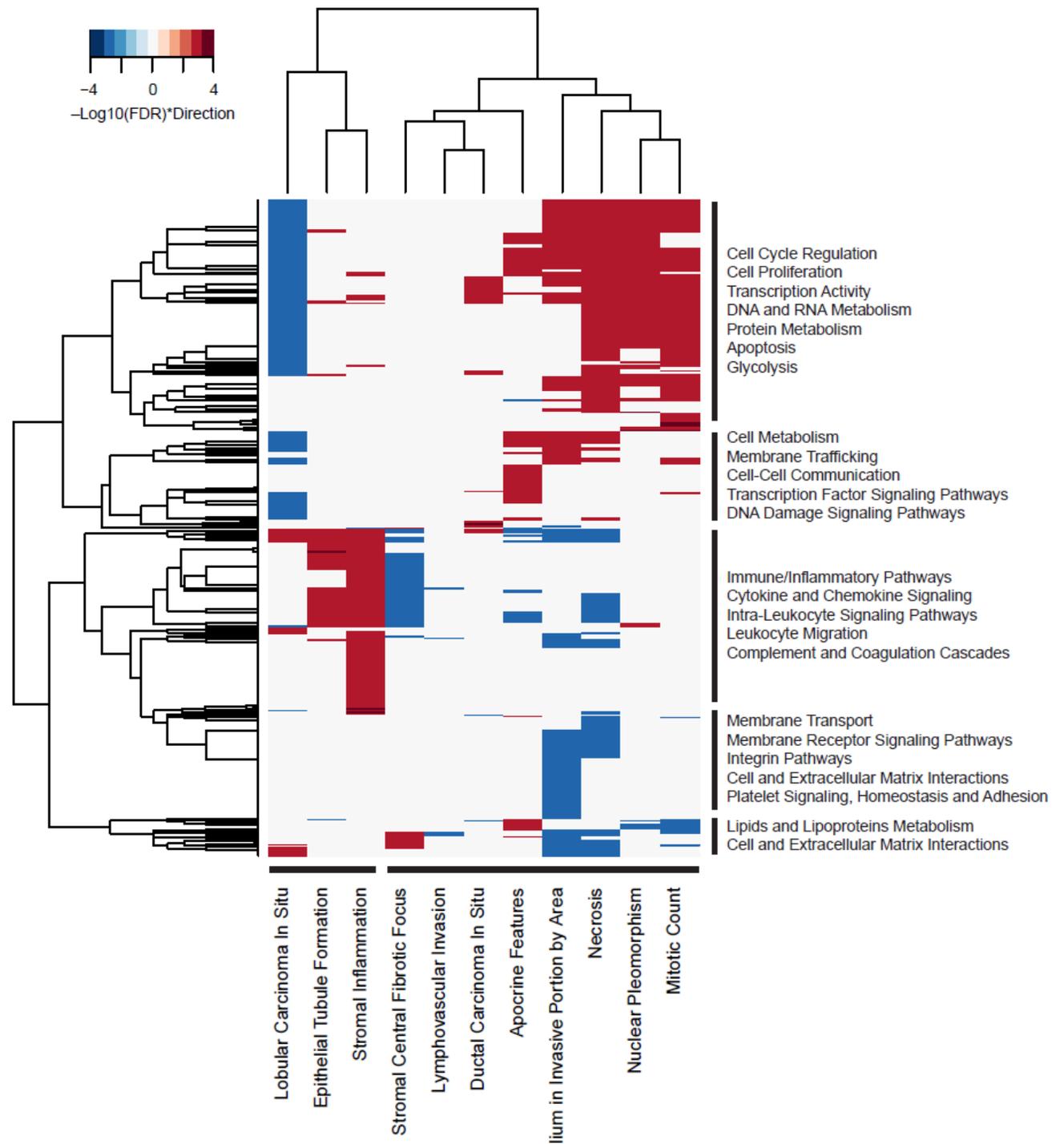
Computational Pathology to link Omics data with pathologic phenotypes



Comprehensive molecular portraits of invasive lobular breast cancer



Comprehensive molecular portraits of 11 major pathologic phenotypes



Morpho-molecular analysis identifies novel prognostic signatures

	Coefficient (b)	Standard Error SE(b)	p-value	Hazard Ratio (e ^b)	95% Confidence Interval for Hazard Ratio	
					Lower	Upper
Age at Initial Pathologic Diagnosis	0.039	0.004	2.20E-16	1.040	1.031	1.048
Tumor Size	0.144	0.022	1.04E-10	1.155	1.105	1.206
Metastasis (to Regional Lymph Nodes)	0.437	0.084	2.23E-07	1.548	1.312	1.827
Nuclear Pleomorphism Signature	0.452	0.193	1.93E-02	1.572	1.076	2.297
Epithelial Tubule Formation Signature	0.291	0.131	2.66E-02	1.337	1.034	1.729
Her2-Enriched	0.508	0.276	6.57E-02	1.662	0.968	2.854
Necrosis Signature	-0.233	0.136	8.73E-02	0.792	0.607	1.035
Luminal B	0.331	0.254	1.94E-01	1.392	0.845	2.292
Histologic Grade	-0.144	0.145	3.22E-01	0.866	0.651	1.151
OncotypeDx	0.111	0.129	3.92E-01	1.117	0.867	1.440
MammaPrint	-0.072	0.120	5.49E-01	0.930	0.735	1.178
Mitotic Count Signature	-0.076	0.181	6.75E-01	0.927	0.650	1.322
Histologic Grade (METABRIC)	0.029	0.073	6.87E-01	1.030	0.893	1.187
Luminal A	0.096	0.269	7.21E-01	1.101	0.650	1.866
Genome Grade Index	0.030	0.132	8.19E-01	1.031	0.796	1.334

Integrated morpho-molecular data enables discovery of novel molecular signatures

- Morpho-molecular approach enables the construction of non-redundant signatures that independently contribute to a prognostic model

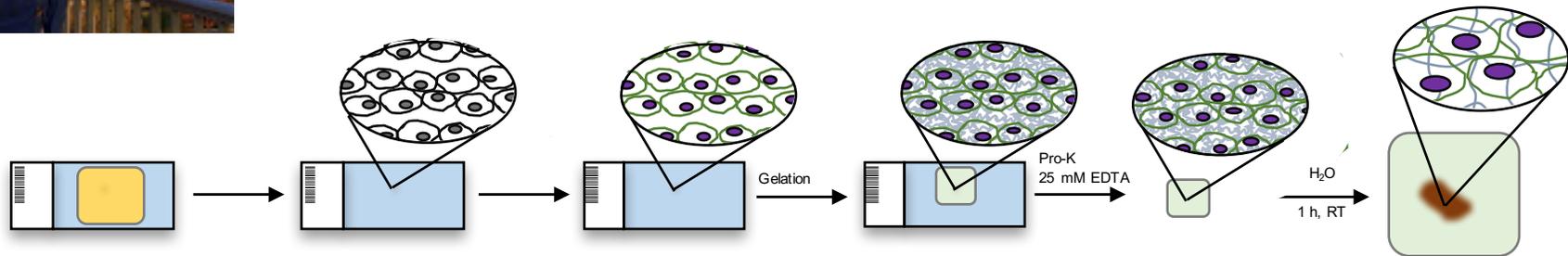
- Web resource at:

www.pathology.ai/tcga_breast

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Expansion Pathology to Generate Massive Morpho-Molecular Data from Tiny Specimens



Joint work with Ed Boyden, Yongxin Zhao, Octavian Bucur (2017, *in revision*)

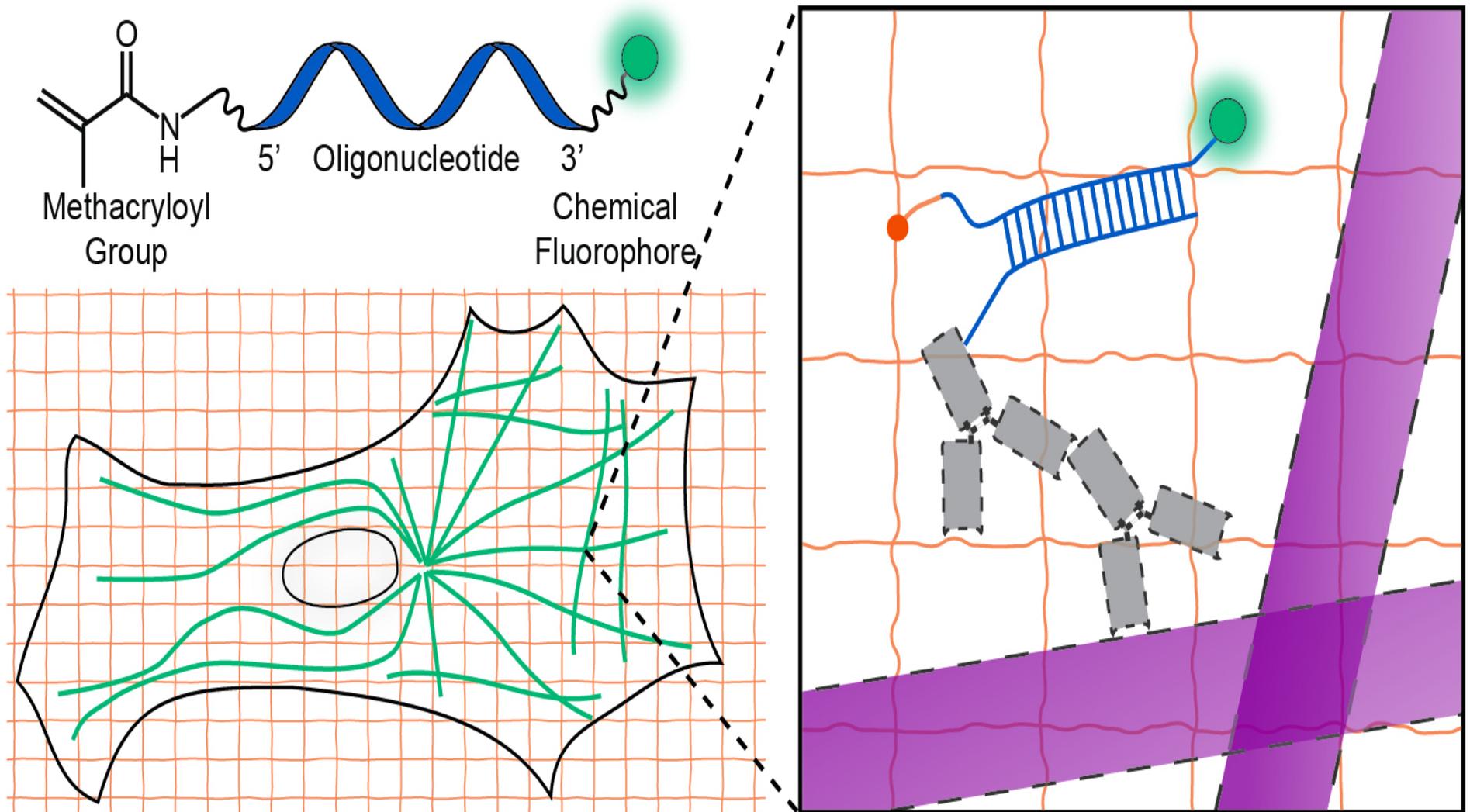
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Applications in
Diagnostic
pathology?

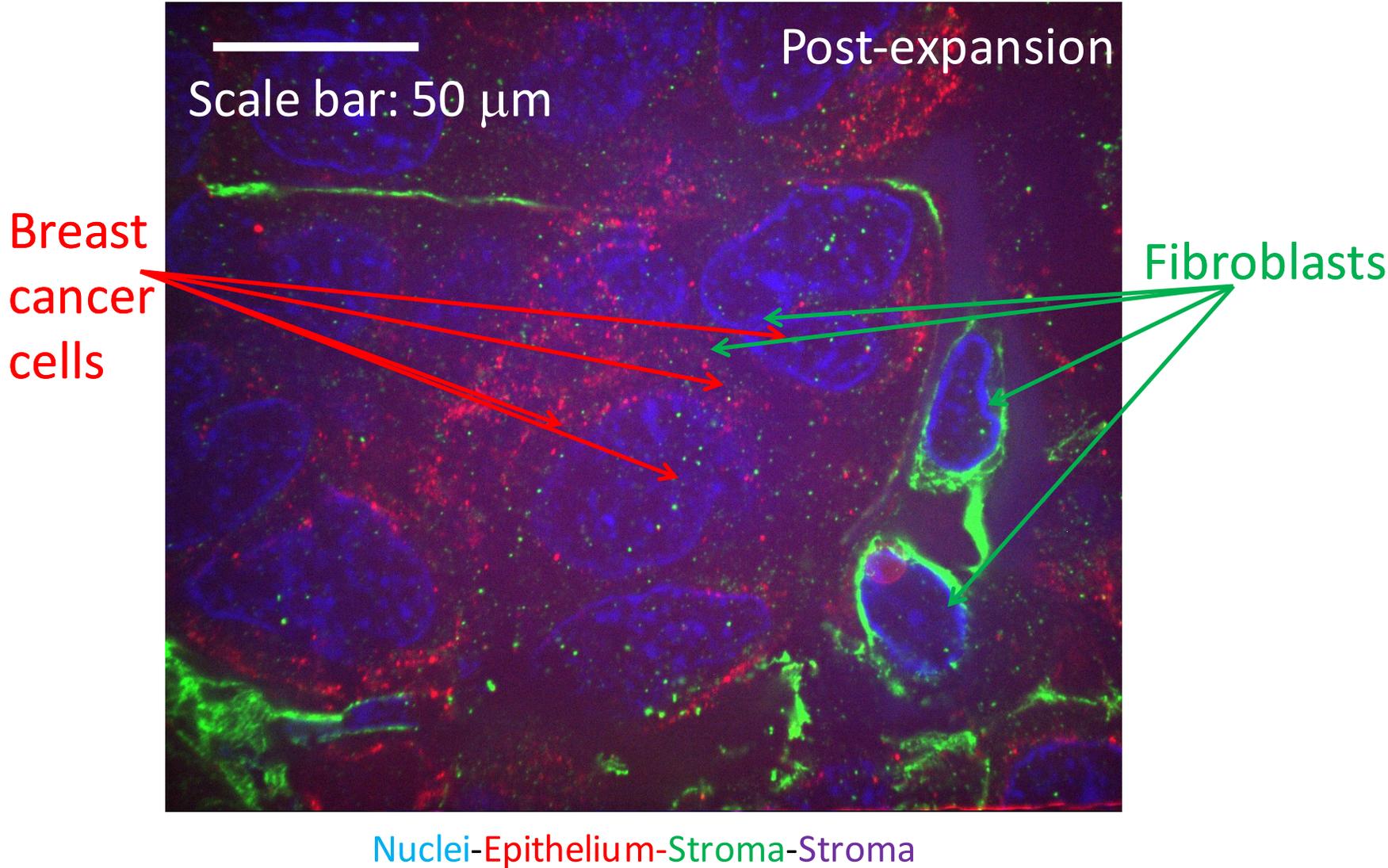


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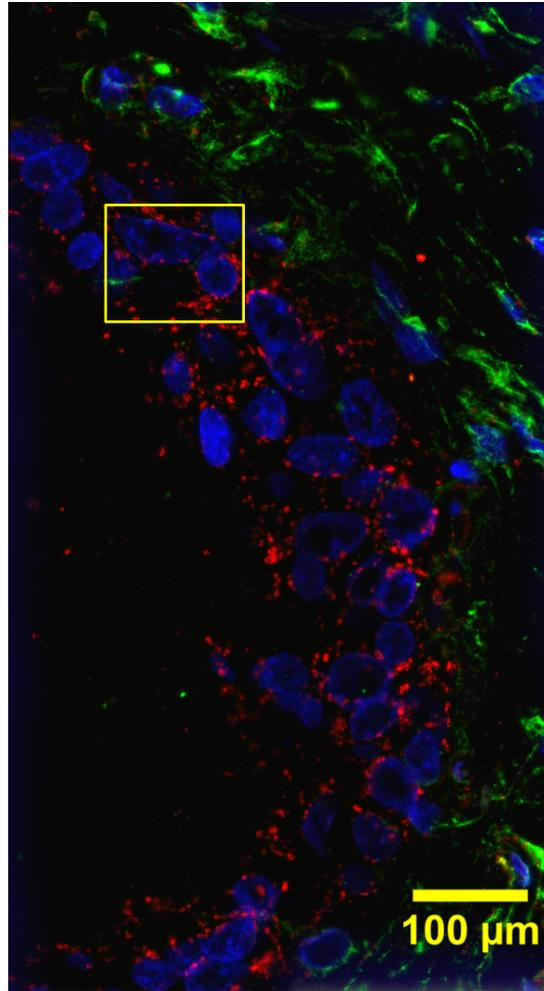
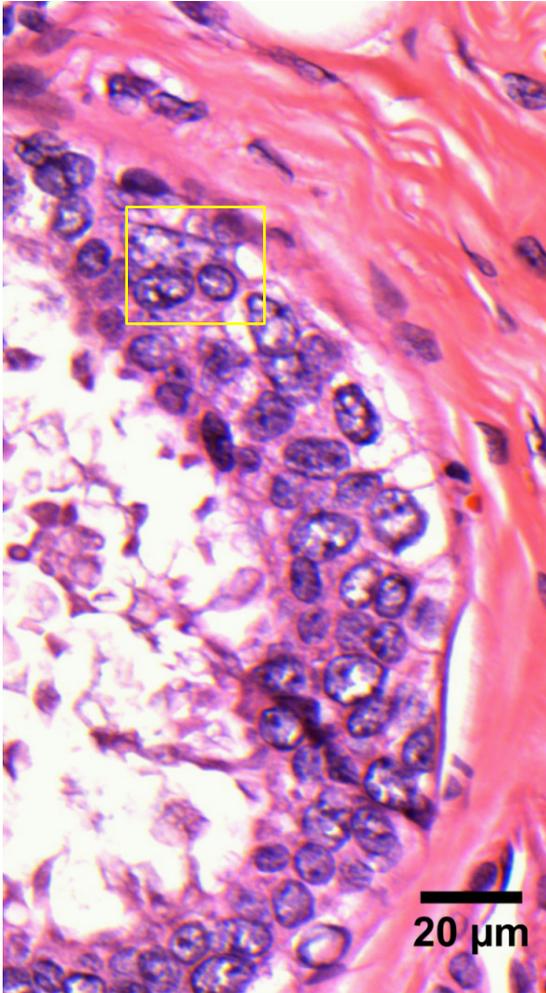


Chen, Tillberg, Boyden (2015) *Science* 347(6221):543-548. <http://expansionmicroscopy.org>

Expansion pathology of breast cancer



Expansion pathology performed on a pre-invasive breast lesion



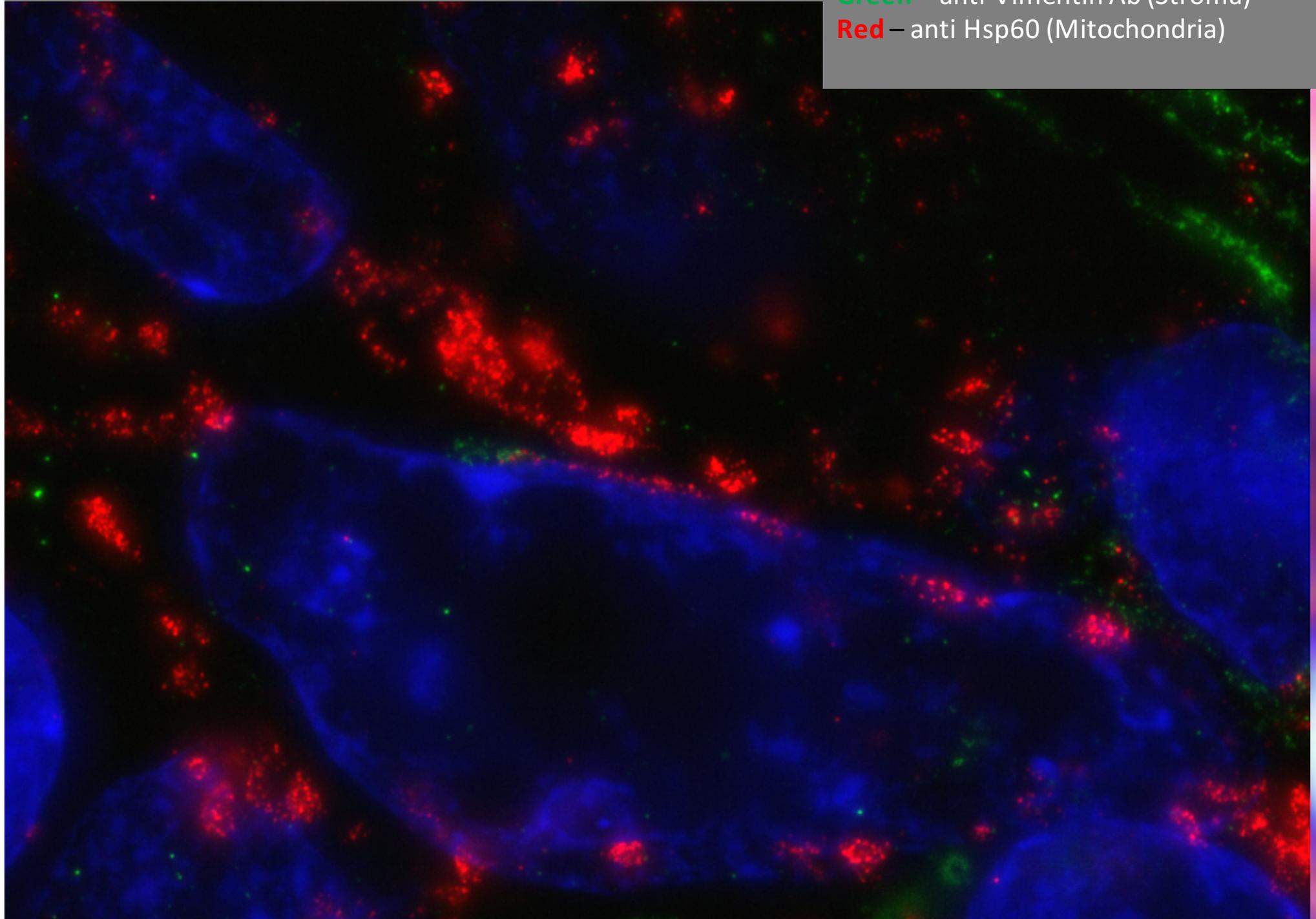
Blue – Dapi
Green – Vimentin
Red – anti Hsp60

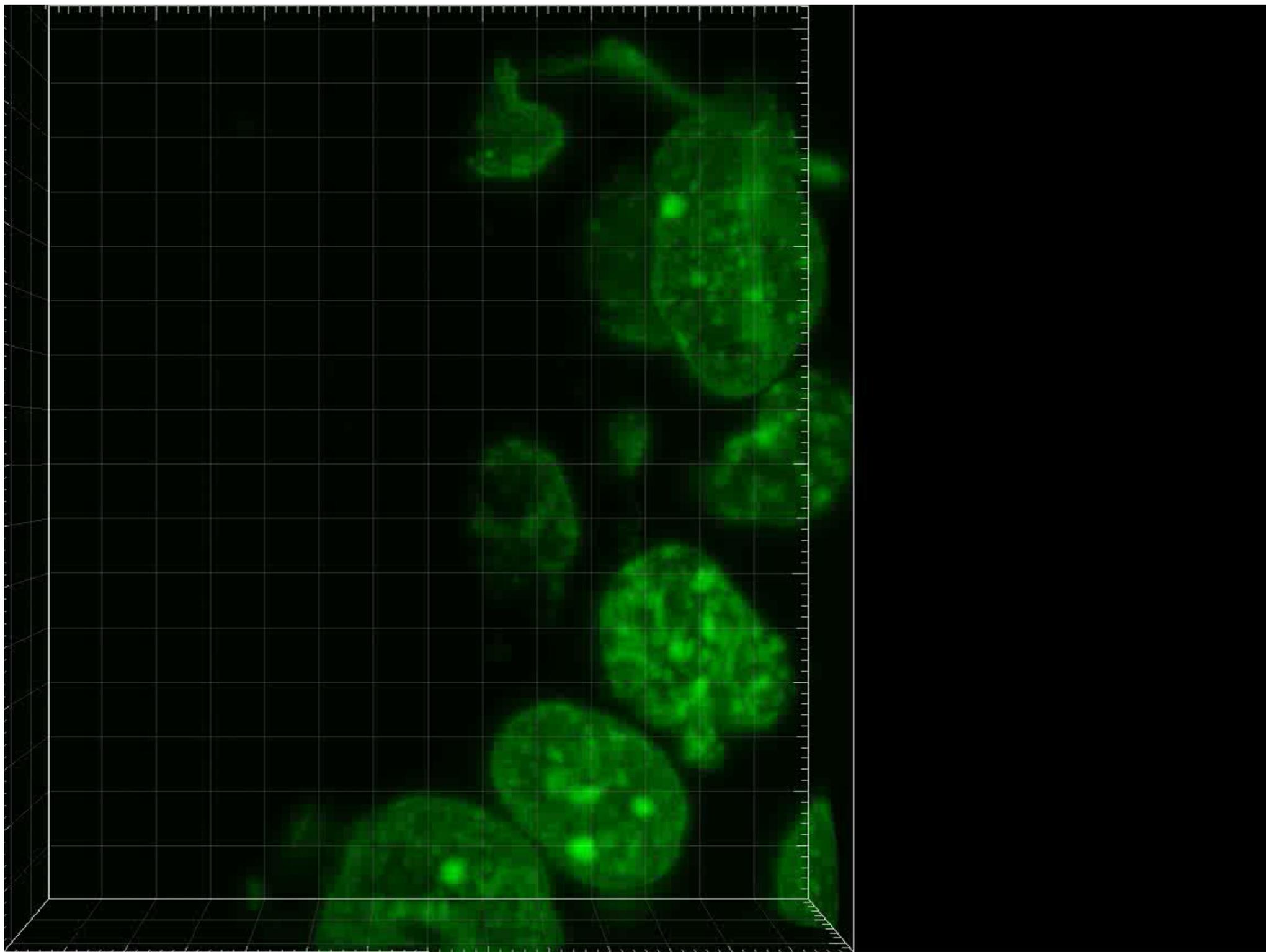
Post-expansion

Blue – nuclei with Dapi

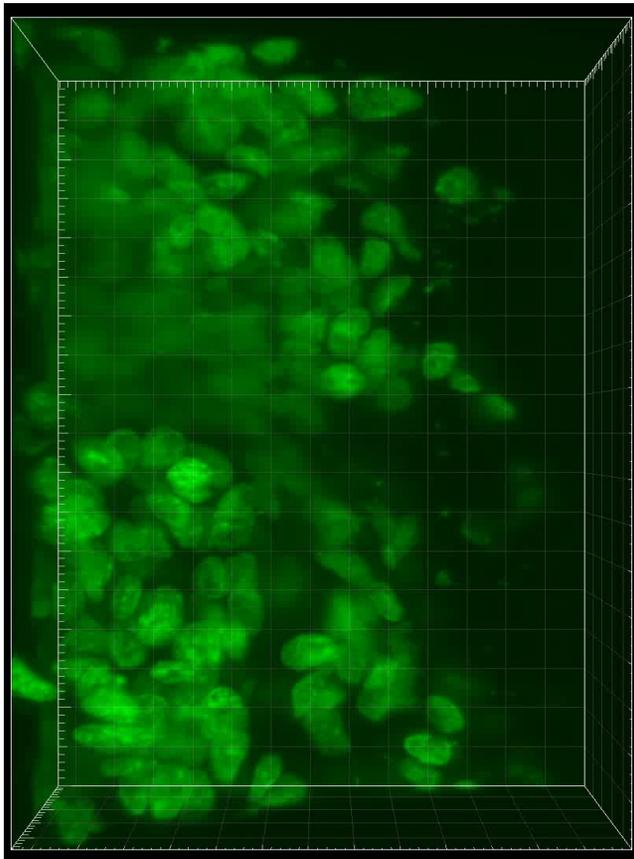
Green – anti-Vimentin Ab (Stroma)

Red – anti Hsp60 (Mitochondria)

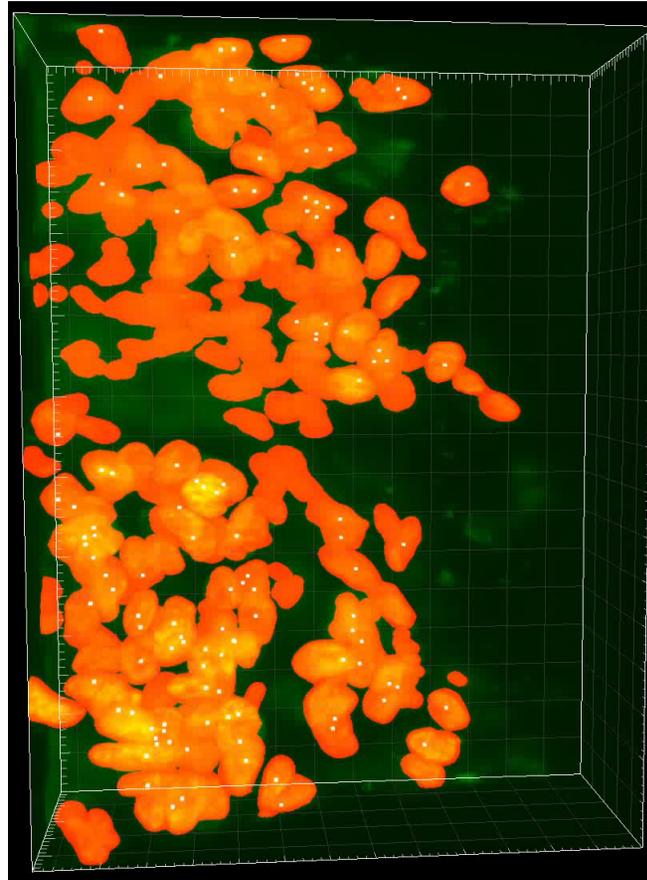




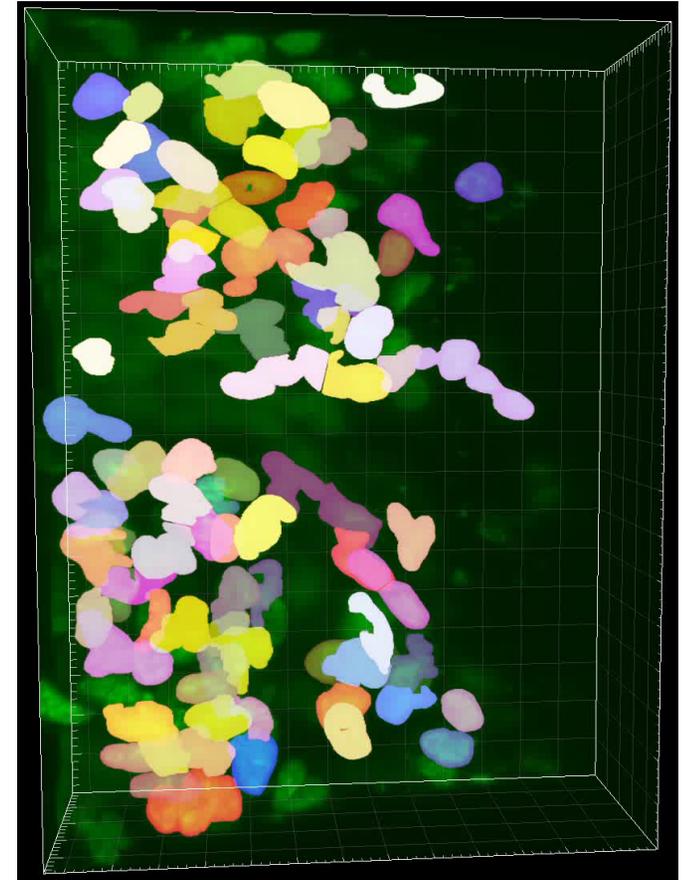
3D Expansion Pathology – Nuclear Detection and Segmentation



Lightsheet Microscopy

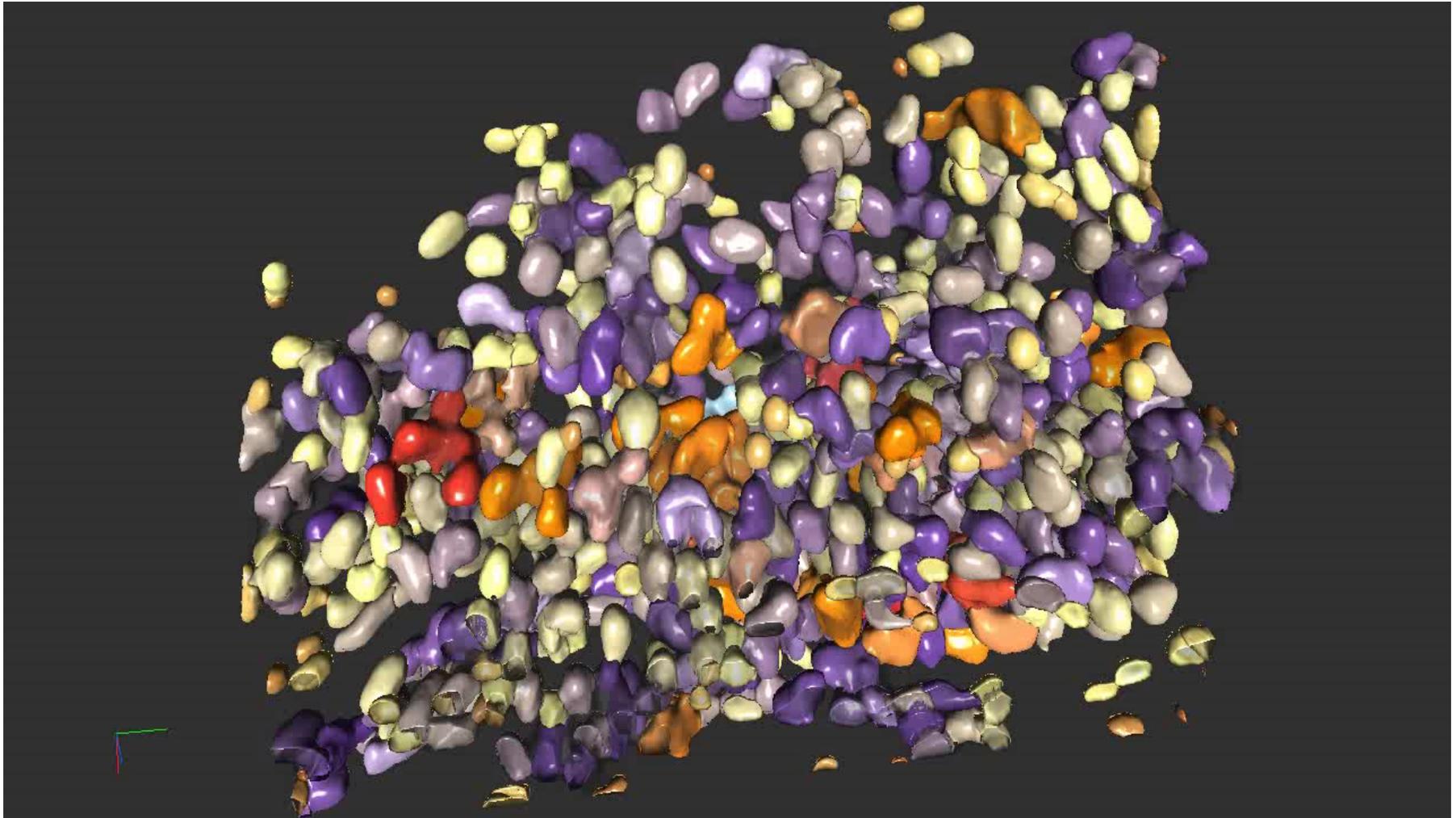


Foreground and nuclear
seed-point detection

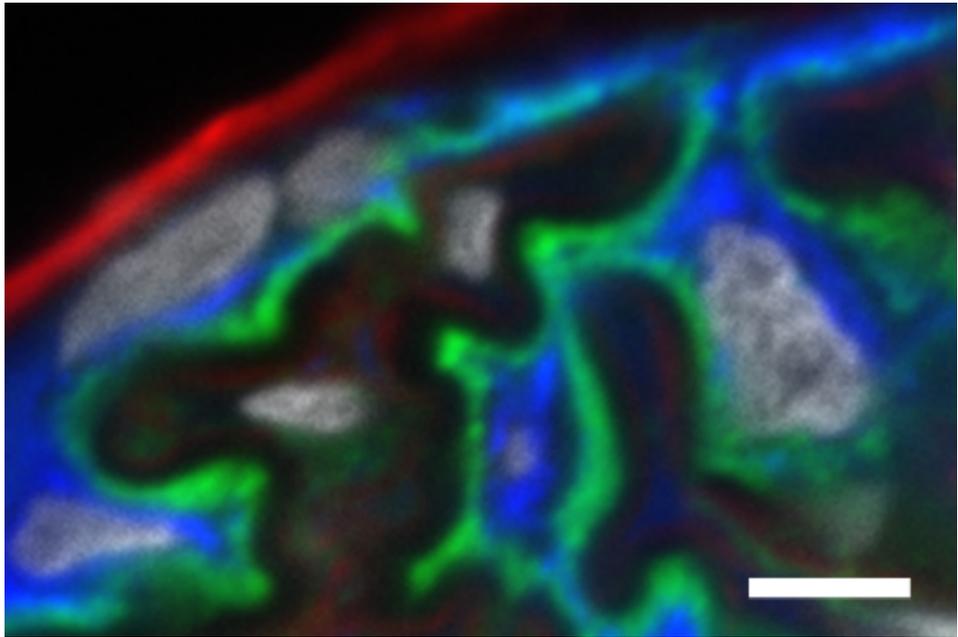


3D Nuclear Segmentation

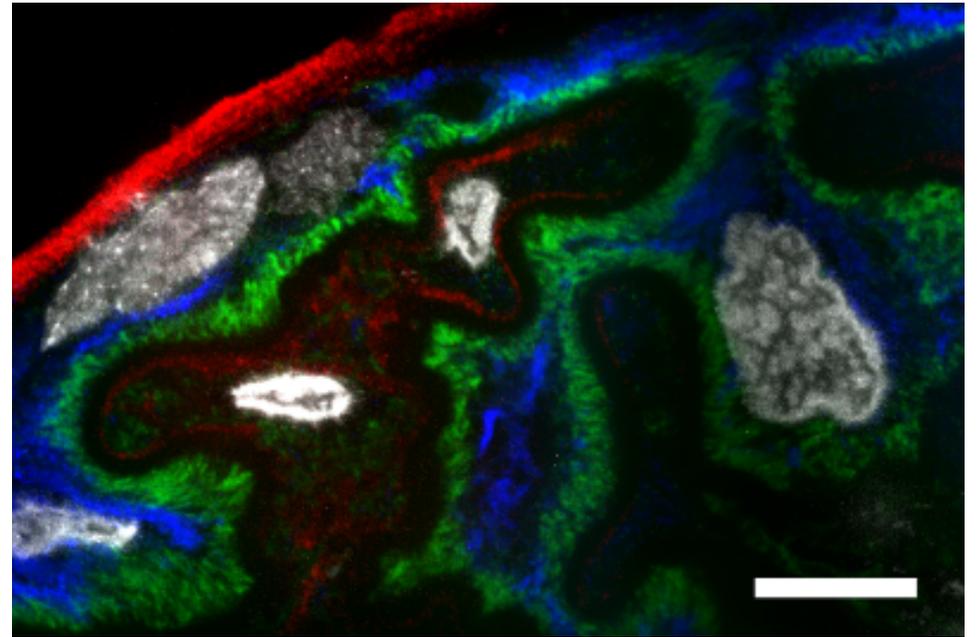
3D Nuclear Classification



Expansion pathology enables visualization of renal podocytes



Pre-expansion



Post-expansion

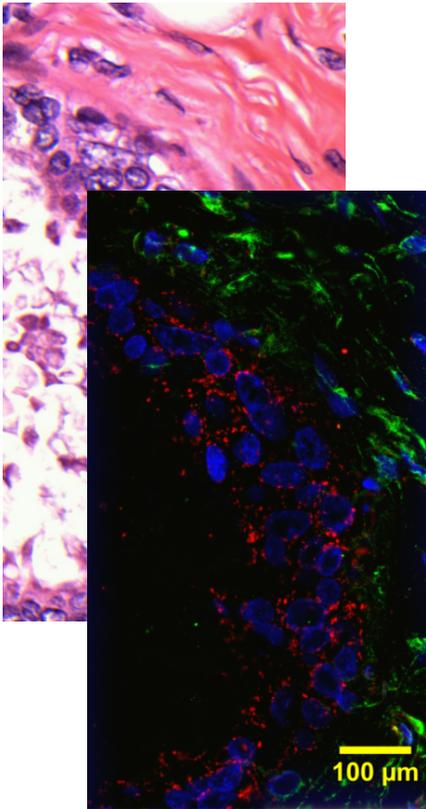
Red = Collagen IV

Blue = Vimentin (Primary and Secondary foot processes)

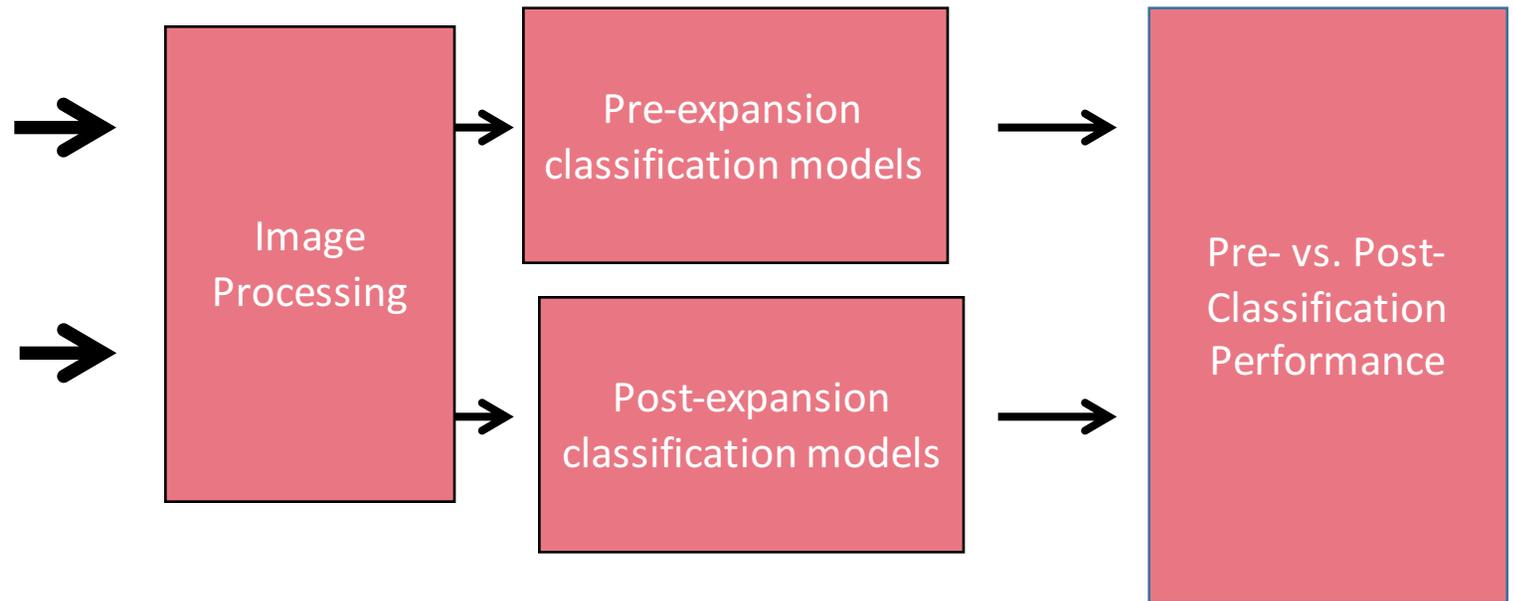
Green = Tertiary foot processes

Does expansion improve computational pathology classifiers?

Pre-expansion



Post-expansion



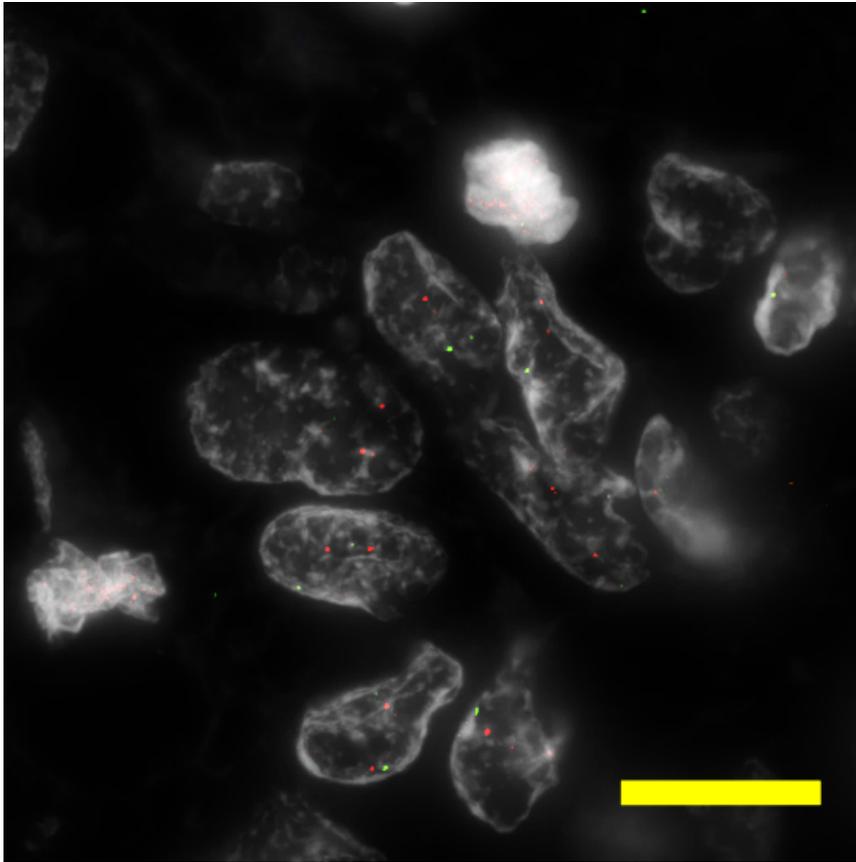
Expansion Pathology Produces More Accurate Classification Models

	Pre-Exp	Exp-Path
Normal vs Usual Ductal Hyperplasia	0.89	0.94
Normal vs Atypical Ductal Hyperplasia	0.89	1
Normal vs Ductal Carcinoma in Situ	0.74	0.81
Usual Ductal Hyperplasia vs Atypical Ductal Hyperplasia	0.75	0.94
Usual Ductal Hyperplasia vs Ductal Carcinoma in Situ	0.71	0.75
Atypical Ductal Hyperplasia vs Ductal Carcinoma in Situ	0.75	0.86

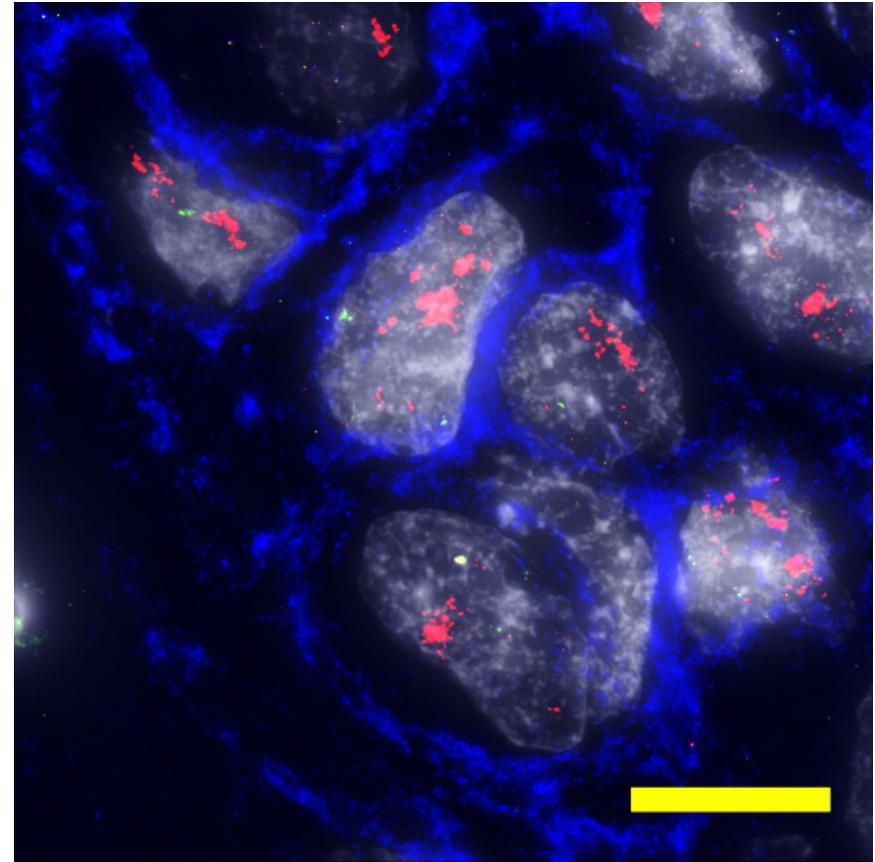
Area under the Receiver Operator Curve in Cross-Validation of L1-Regularized Logistic Regression Classifier

Expansion Pathology with DNA-FISH and Protein-IF

Negative for HER2 Amplification



HER2 Amplified

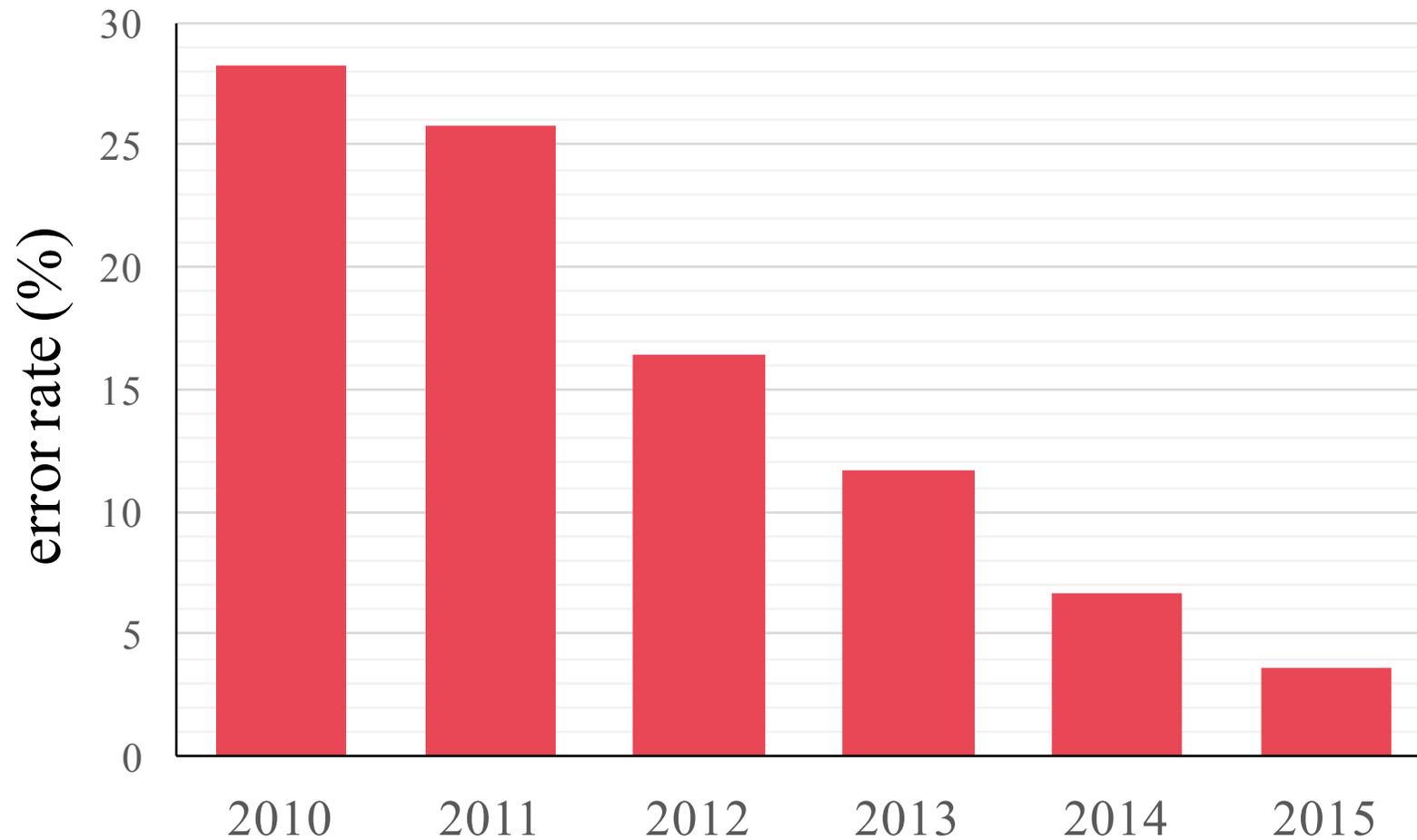


Blue = HER2 Protein
Red = HER2 Amplicon
Green = Centromeric probe

Expansion Pathology

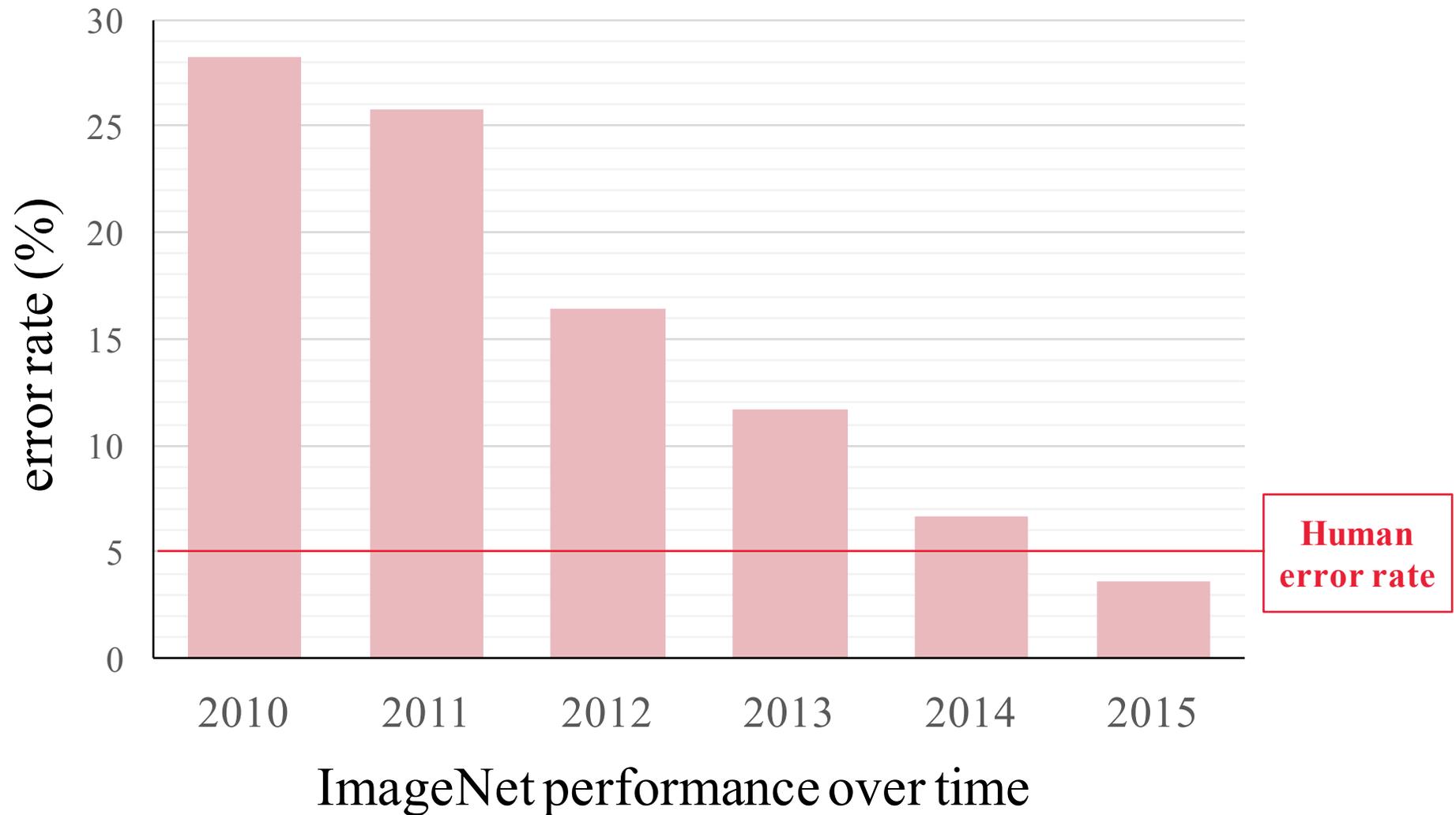
- New approach for physically expanding pathology specimens
 - Very high resolution analysis of morphology
 - Multiplexed in situ molecular assays with very little autofluorescence
 - Generates extremely large and complex morpho-molecular pathology data from tiny biopsy specimens
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Deep learning is the solution



ImageNet performance over time

Deep learning is the solution



Deep learning has made incredible real-world advances in 2016



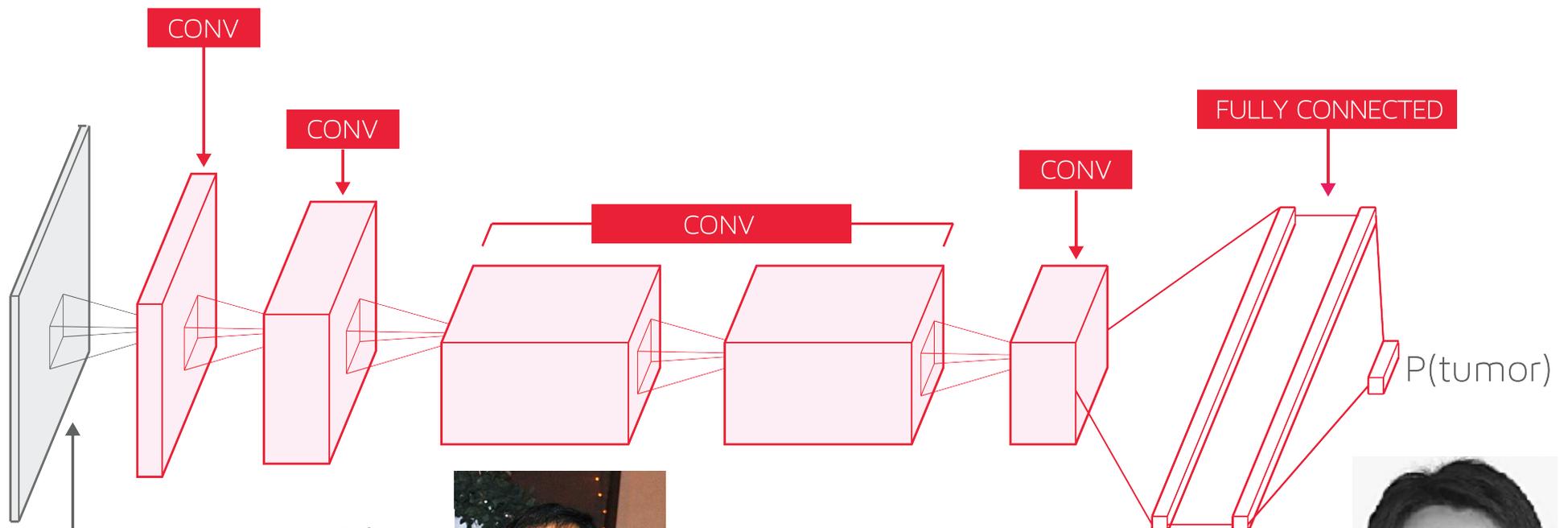
Google DeepMind's Alpha Go
Defeats GO Champion Lee Sedol
(March, 2016)



Uber deploys autonomous driving taxis on the streets of Pittsburgh (September 2016)

Deep Learning for Pathology: Cancer Metastasis Detection

PathAI CONVOLUTIONAL NEURAL NETWORK



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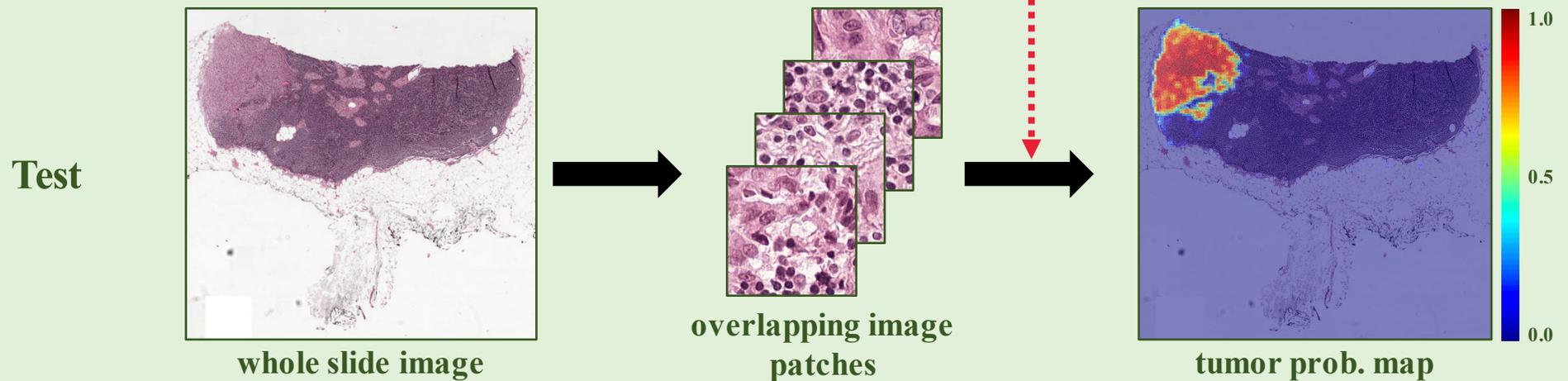
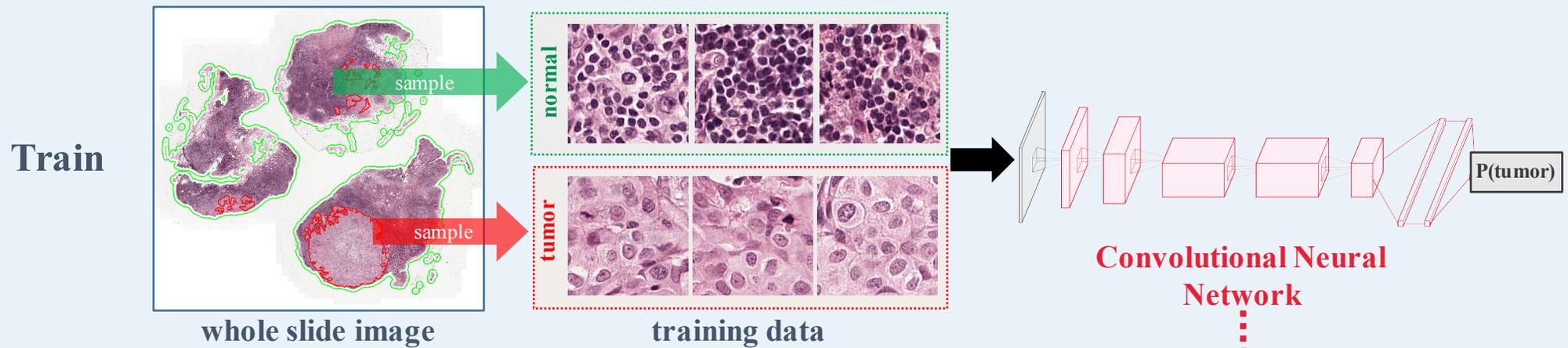


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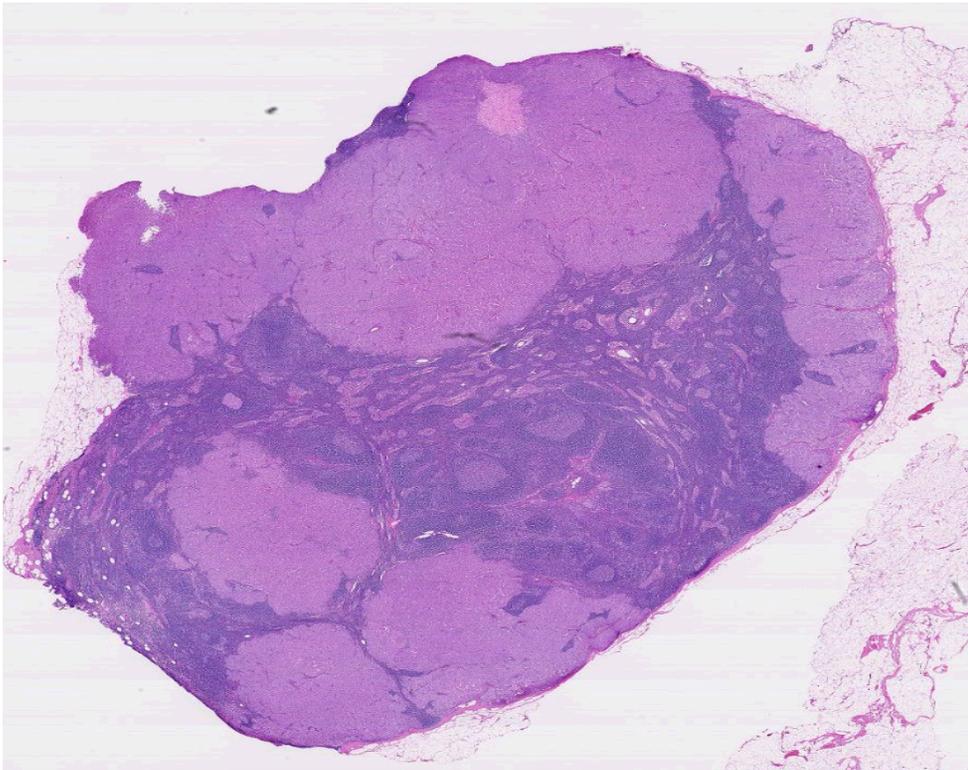
ISBI Grand Challenge on Cancer Metastases Detection in Lymph Node



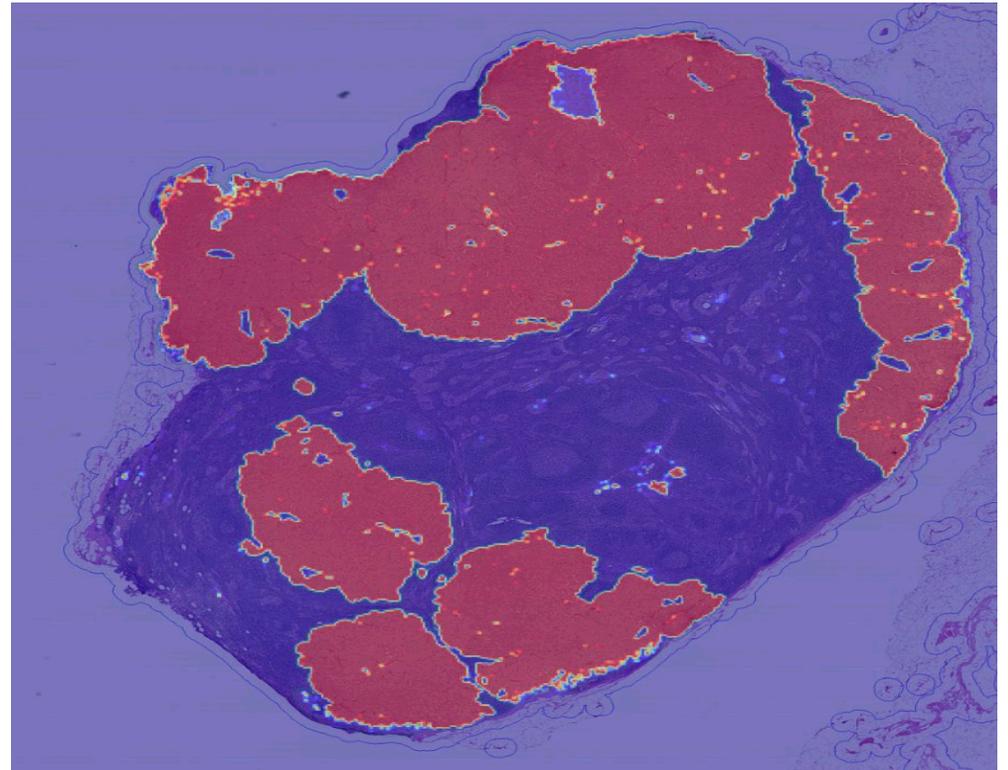
H&E Image Processing Framework



H&E Image Processing Results

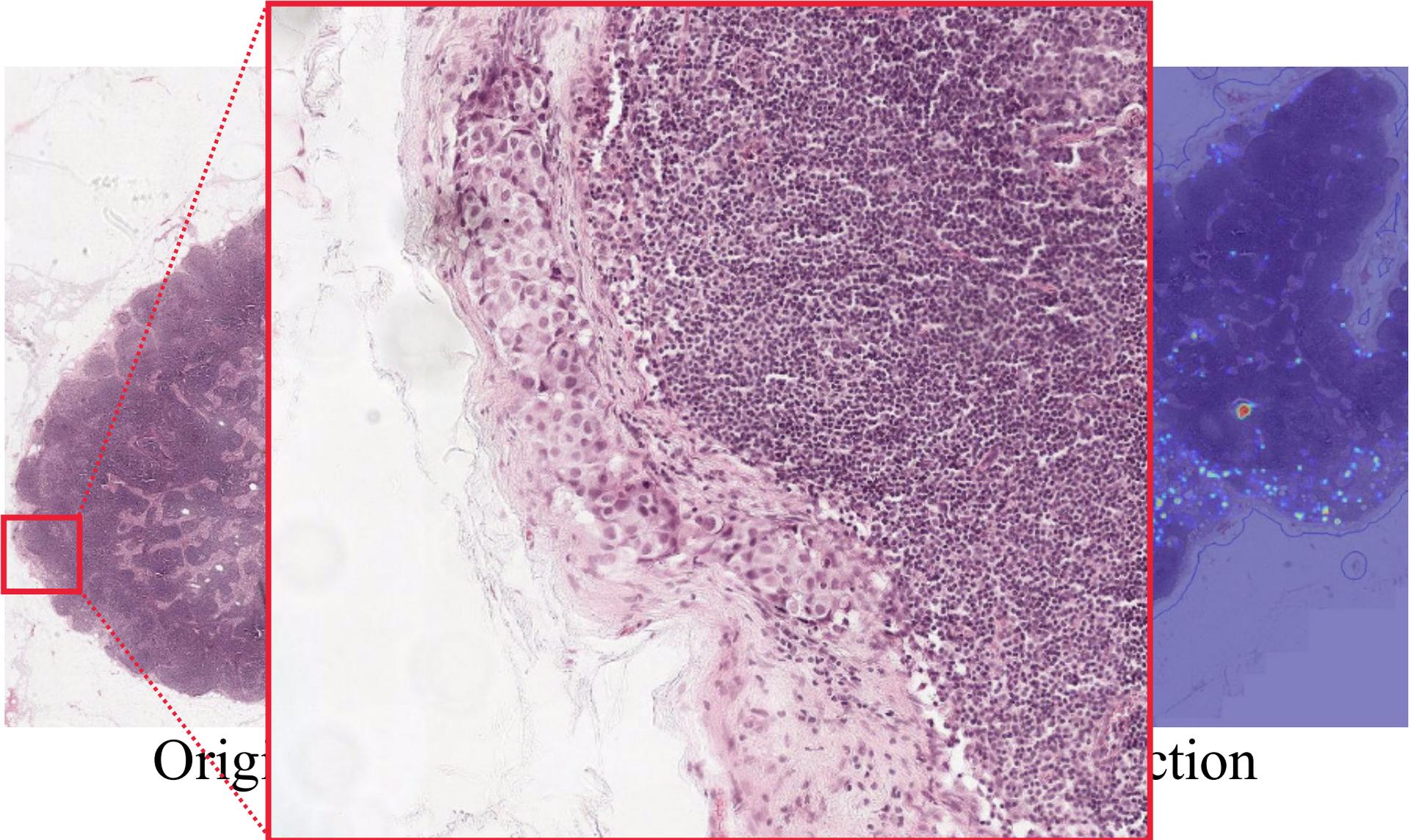


Original image



Tumor prediction

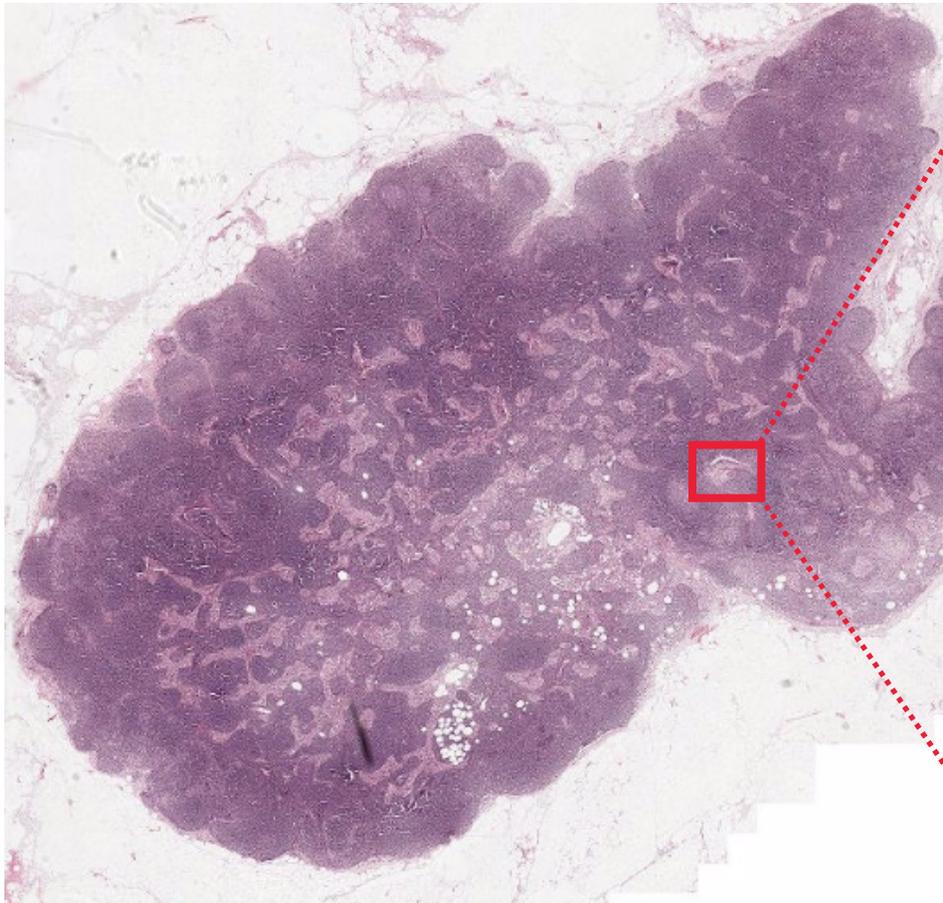
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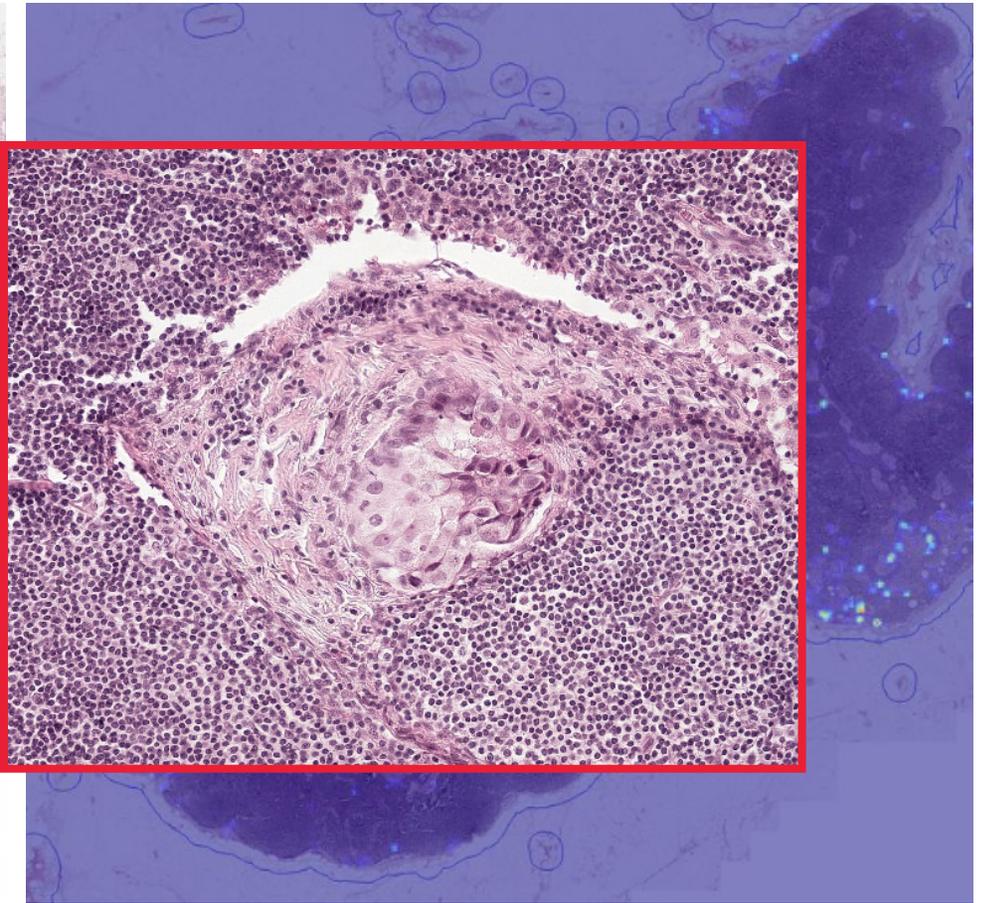
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Processed

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Original image



Tumor prediction

Pathologist

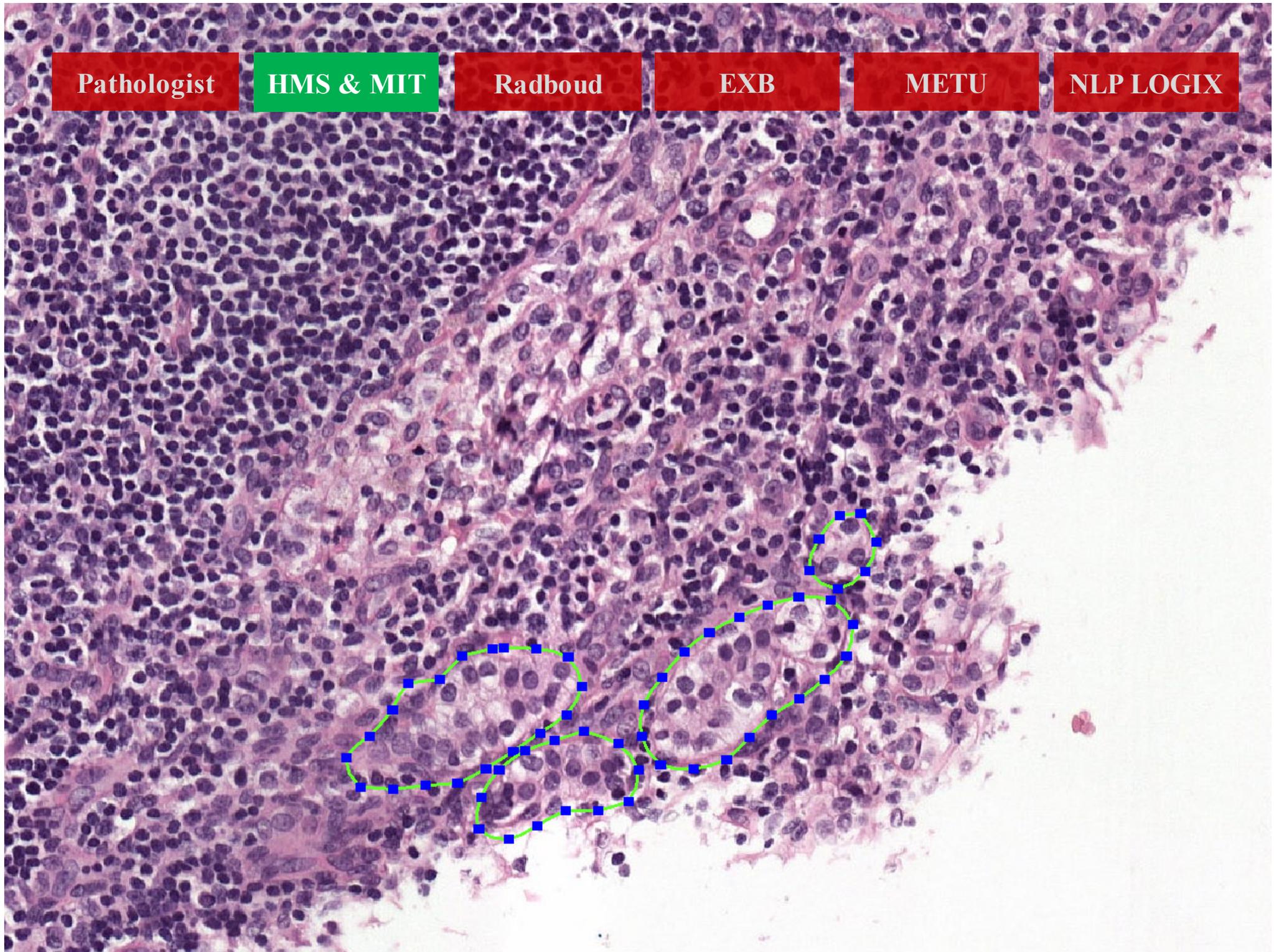
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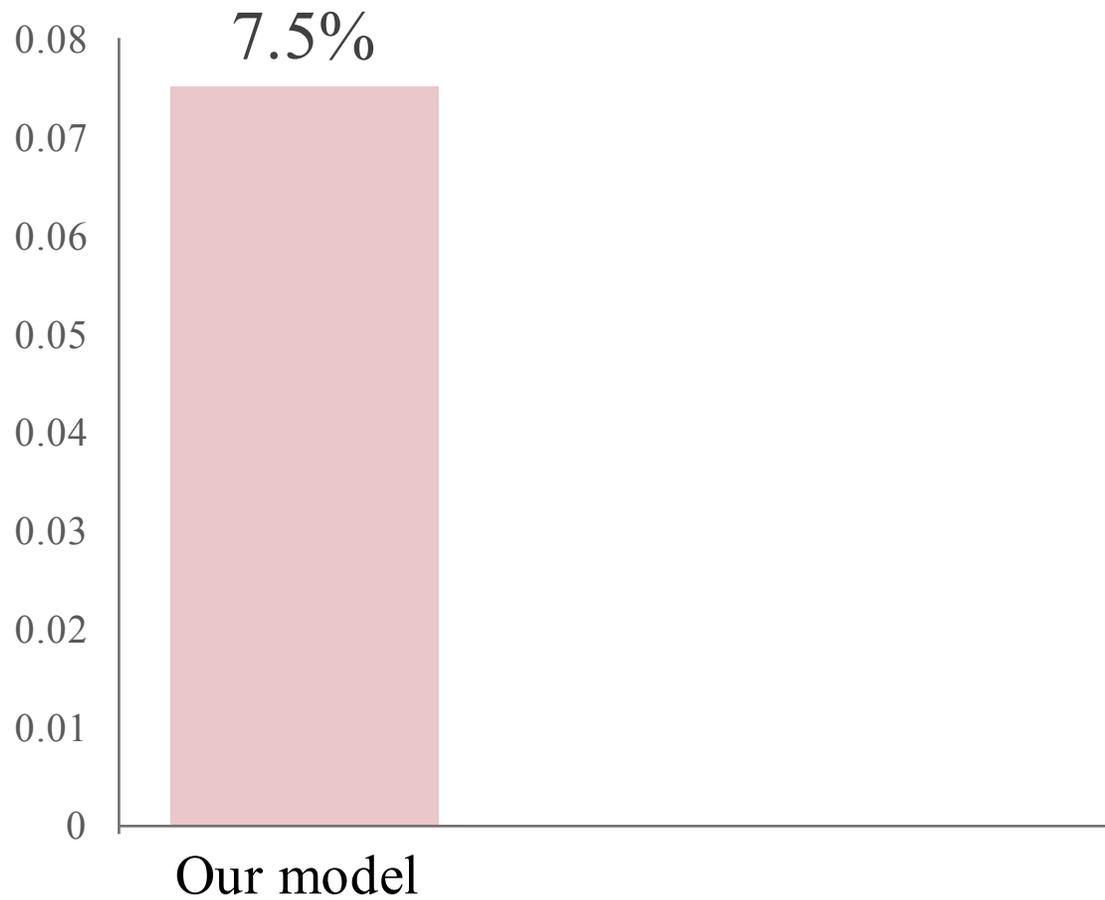
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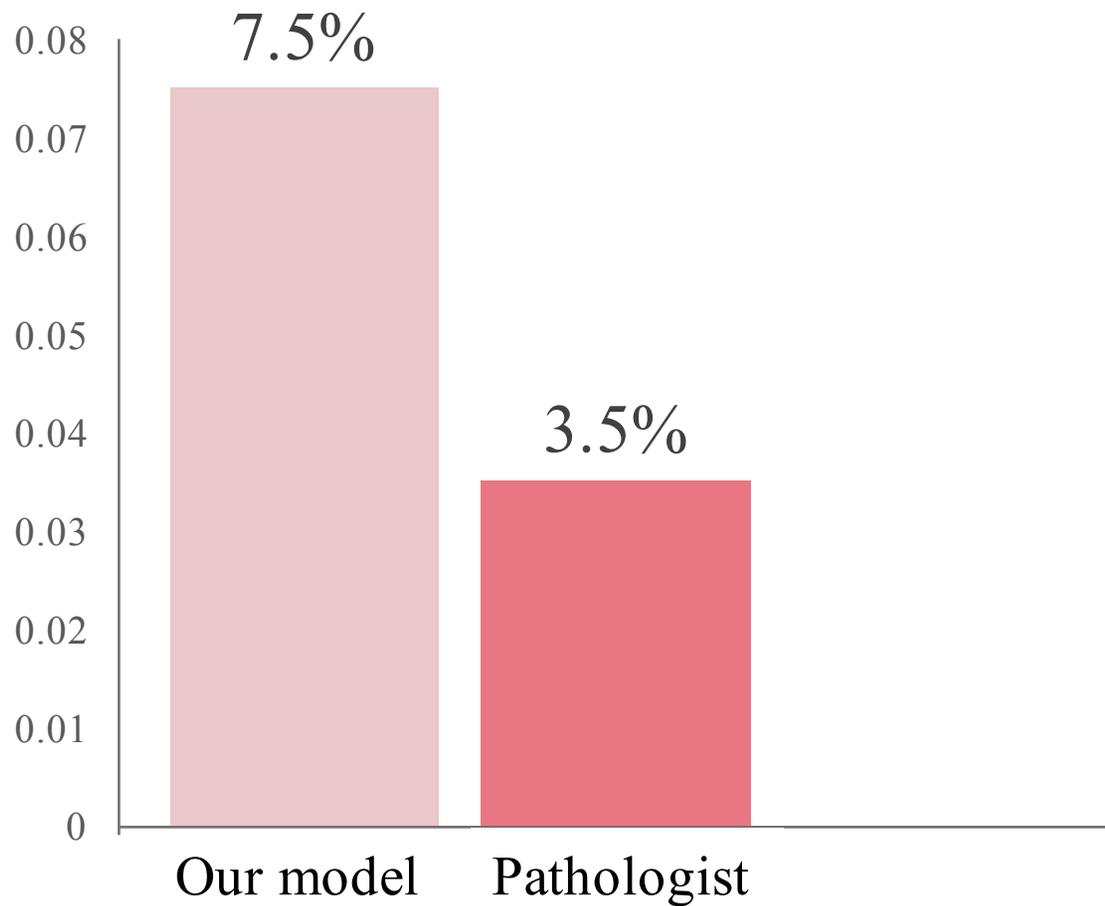
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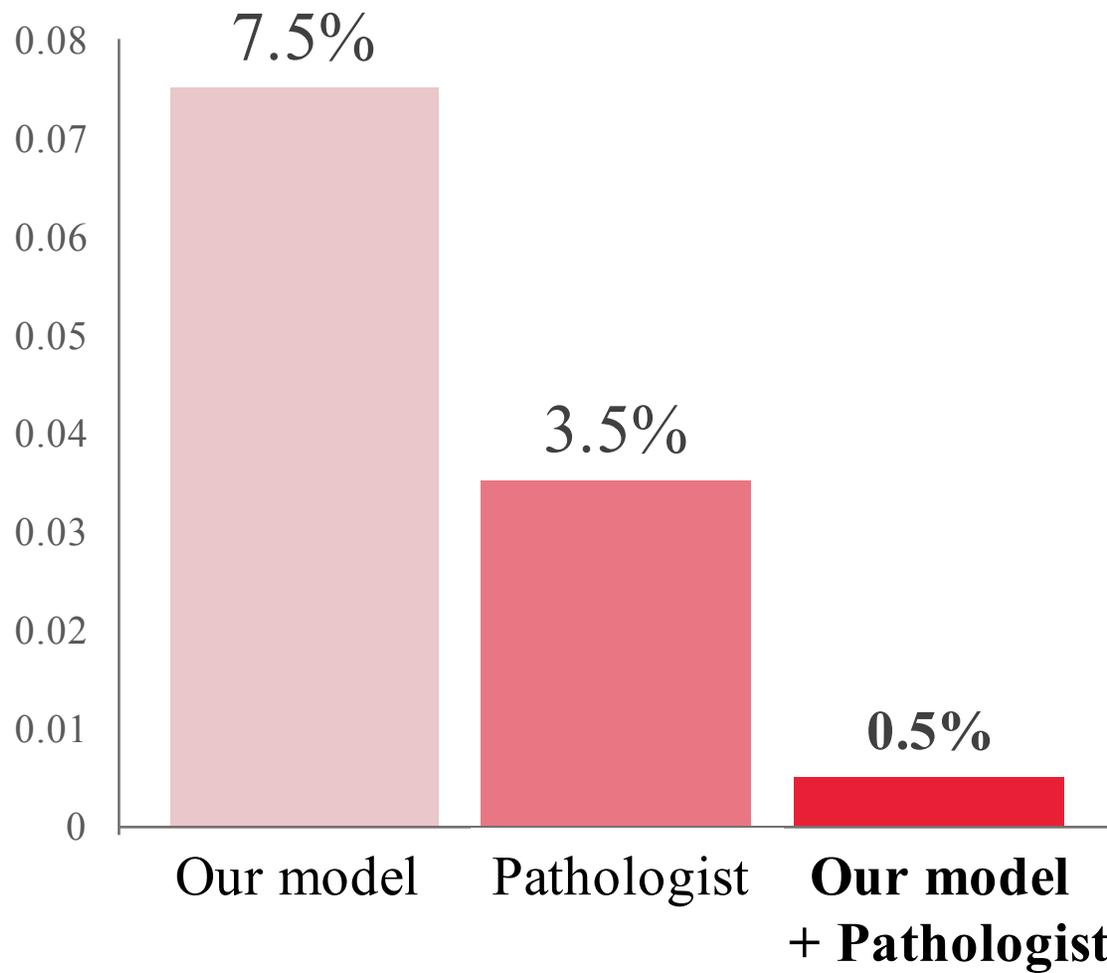
Deep Learning vs Pathologist



Deep Learning vs Pathologist



Deep Learning vs Pathologist



The **combination** of a pathologist and the Beck Lab deep learning system **reduces error rate by 85% to 0.5%.**

Clinical study on ISBI dataset

Beck Lab's deep learning model now outperforms pathologist

	Error Rate
Pathologist in competition setting	3.5%
Pathologists in clinical practice (n = 12)	13% - 26%
Pathologists on micro-metastasis (small tumors)	23% - 42%
Beck Lab Deep Learning Model	0.65%

Our Team Won the 2016 ISBI Grand Challenge for Metastatic Cancer Detection



Featured in the report “**Preparing for the Future of Artificial Intelligence**” prepared by the Executive Office of the President of the United States

“The fact that computers had almost comparable performance to humans is way **beyond what I had anticipated**. It is a clear indication that **artificial intelligence is going to shape the way we deal with histopathological images in the years to come.**”

- *Jeroen van der Laak, Radboud University Medical Center*

Artificial Intelligence Gets an A+ for Accurately Diagnosing Breast Cancer

- *Breast Cancer News (Jun 29, 2016)*



Deep Learning in the Clinical Workflow

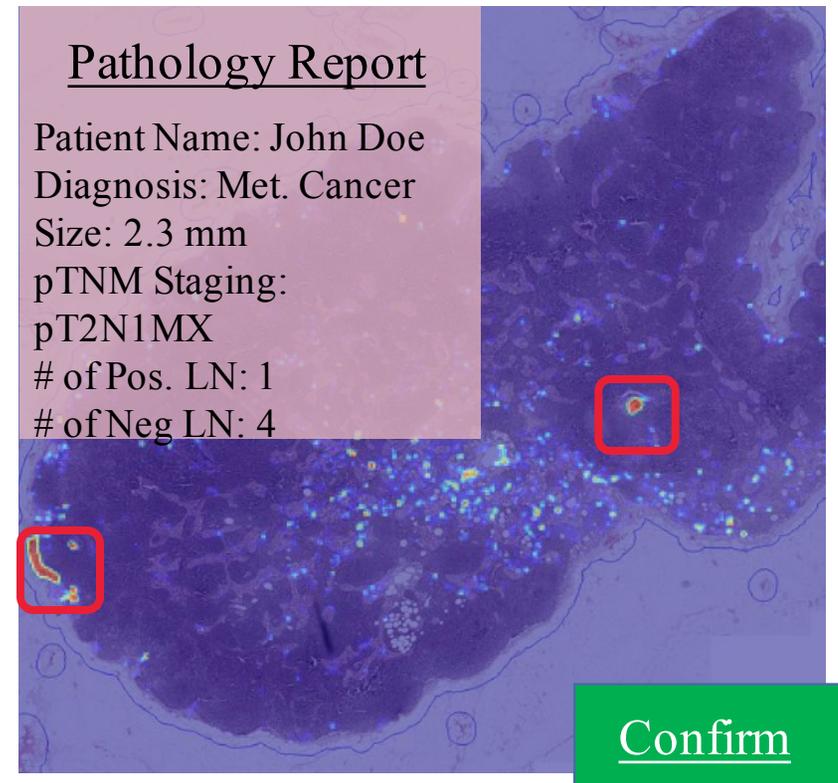
Before



- microscope field of view

- Labor Intensive
- Error-prone
- Poor standardization

After



Pathology Report

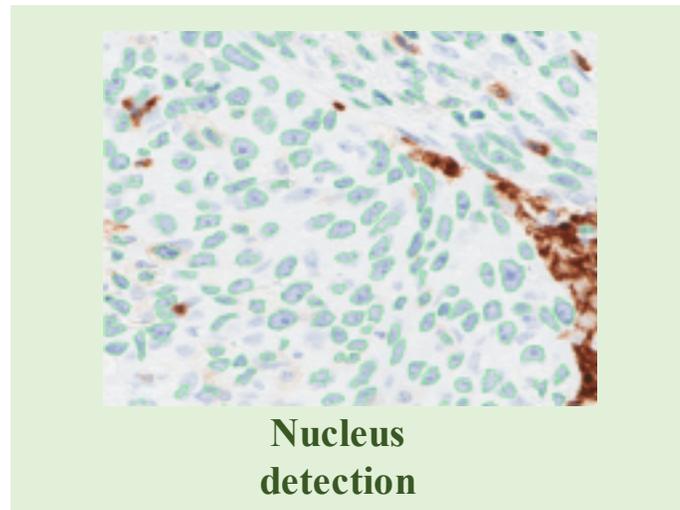
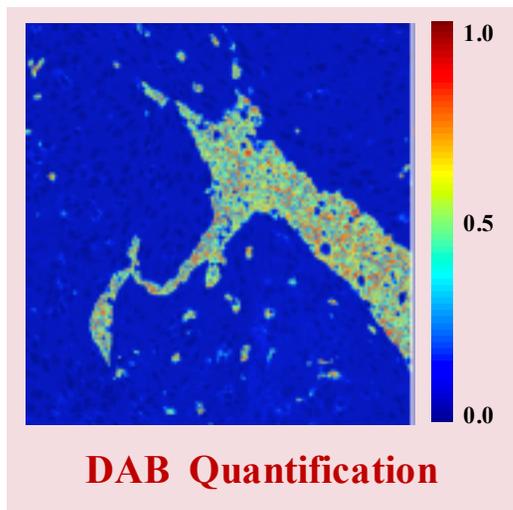
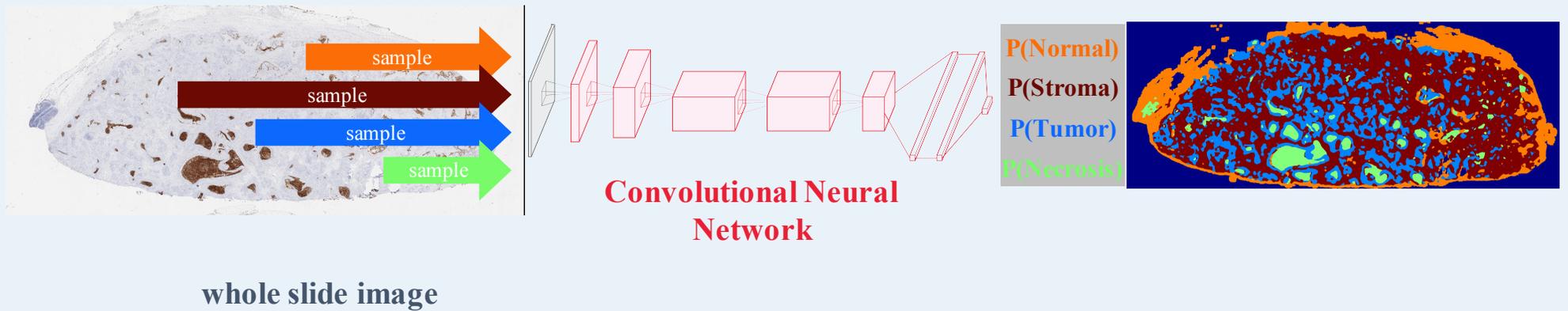
Patient Name: John Doe
Diagnosis: Met. Cancer
Size: 2.3 mm
pTNM Staging:
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of Pos. LN: 1
of Neg LN: 4

Confirm

- Fast
- Accurate
- Standardized

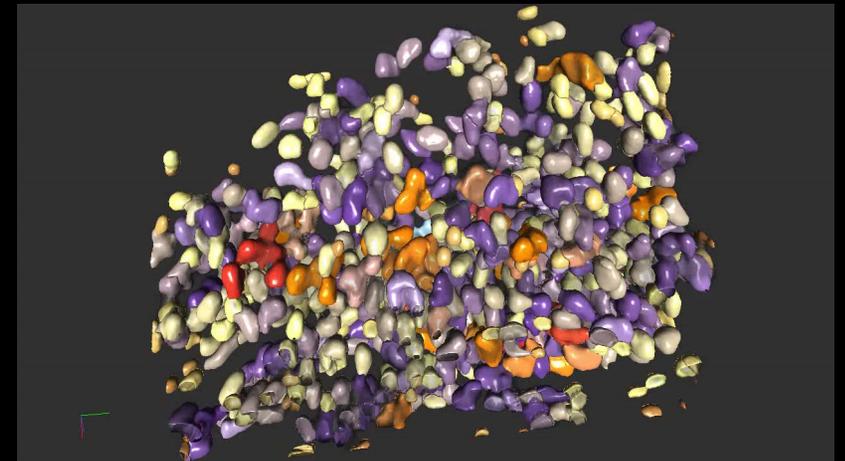
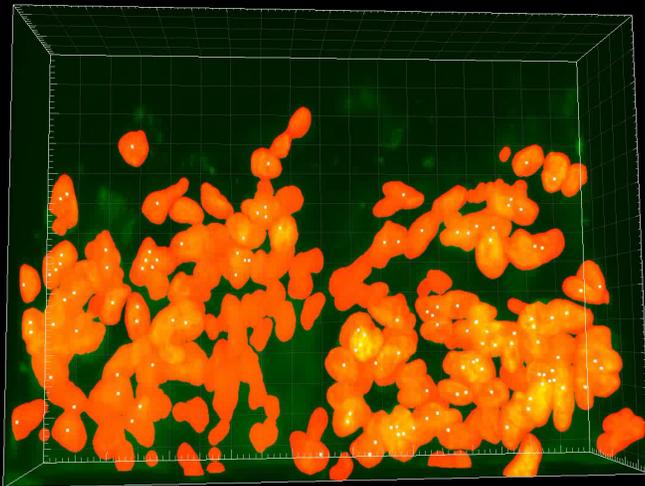
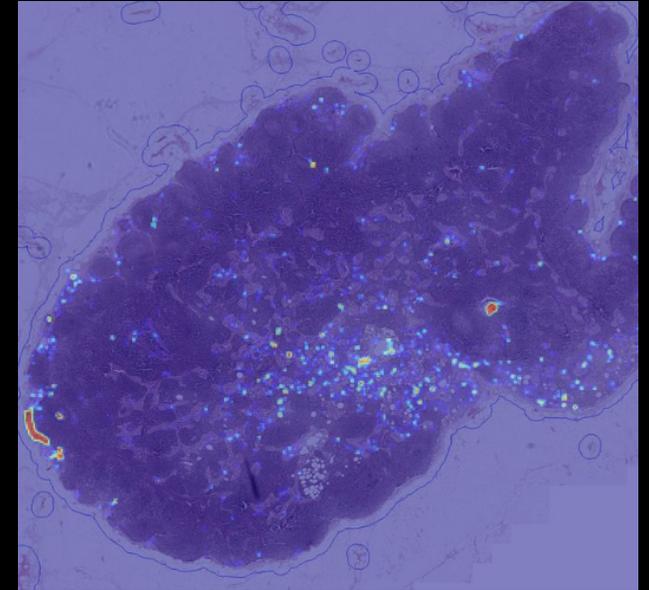
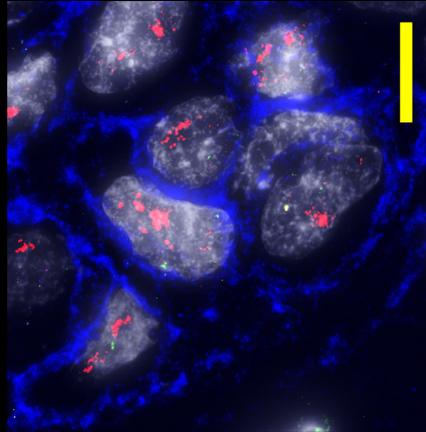
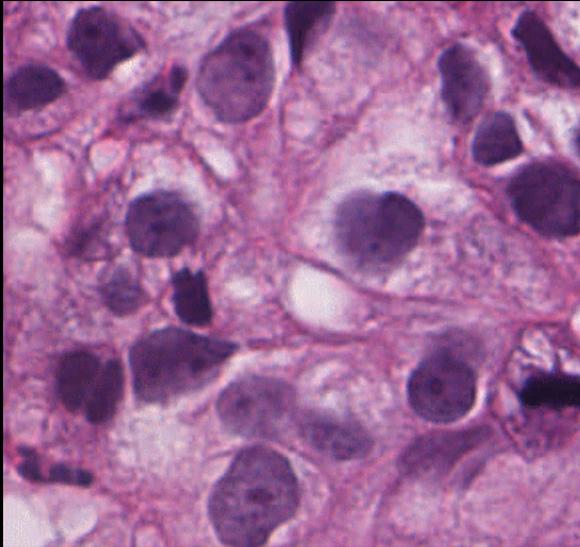
Immunohistochemistry Image Processing Framework

Region of Interest Classification

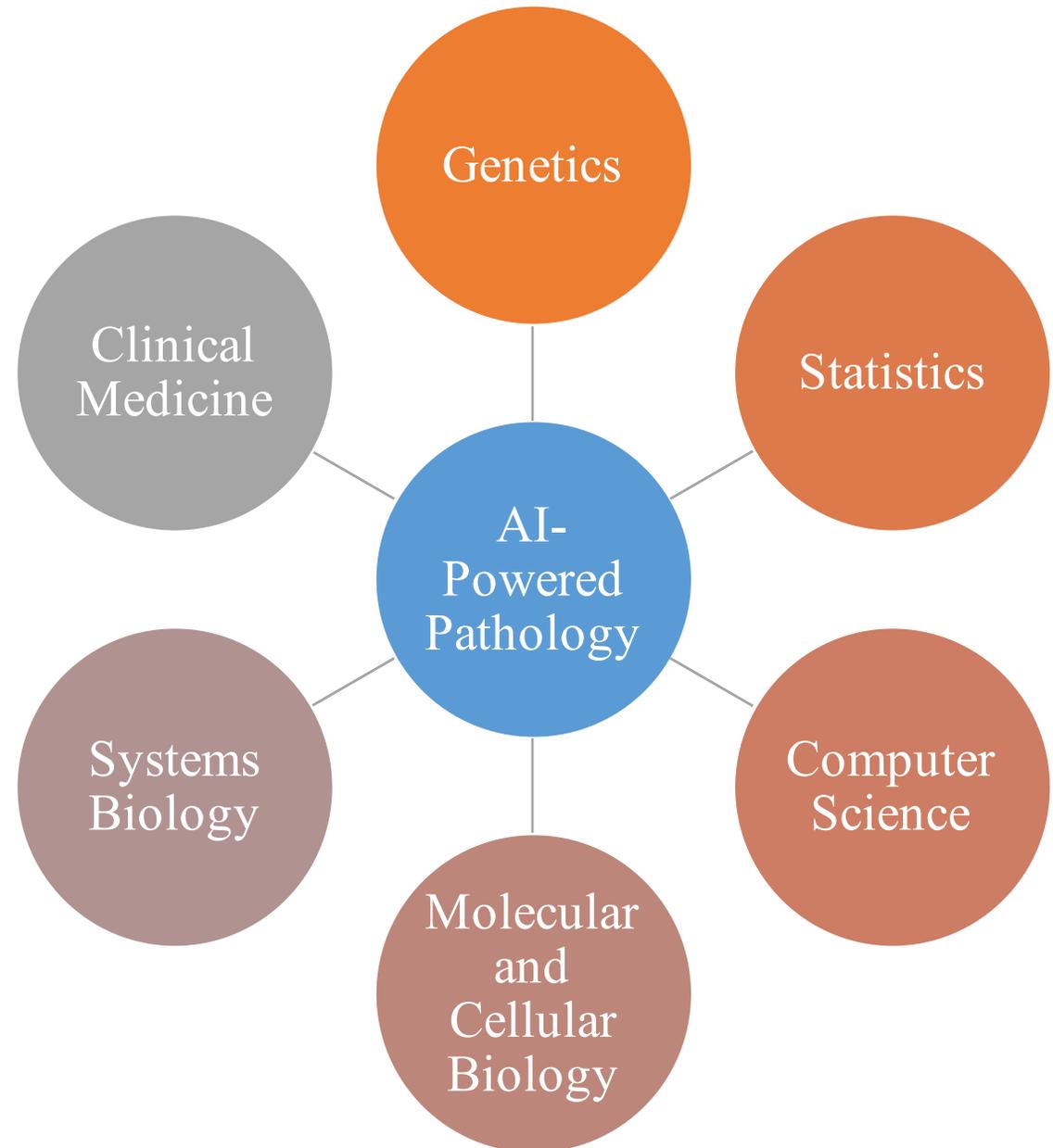
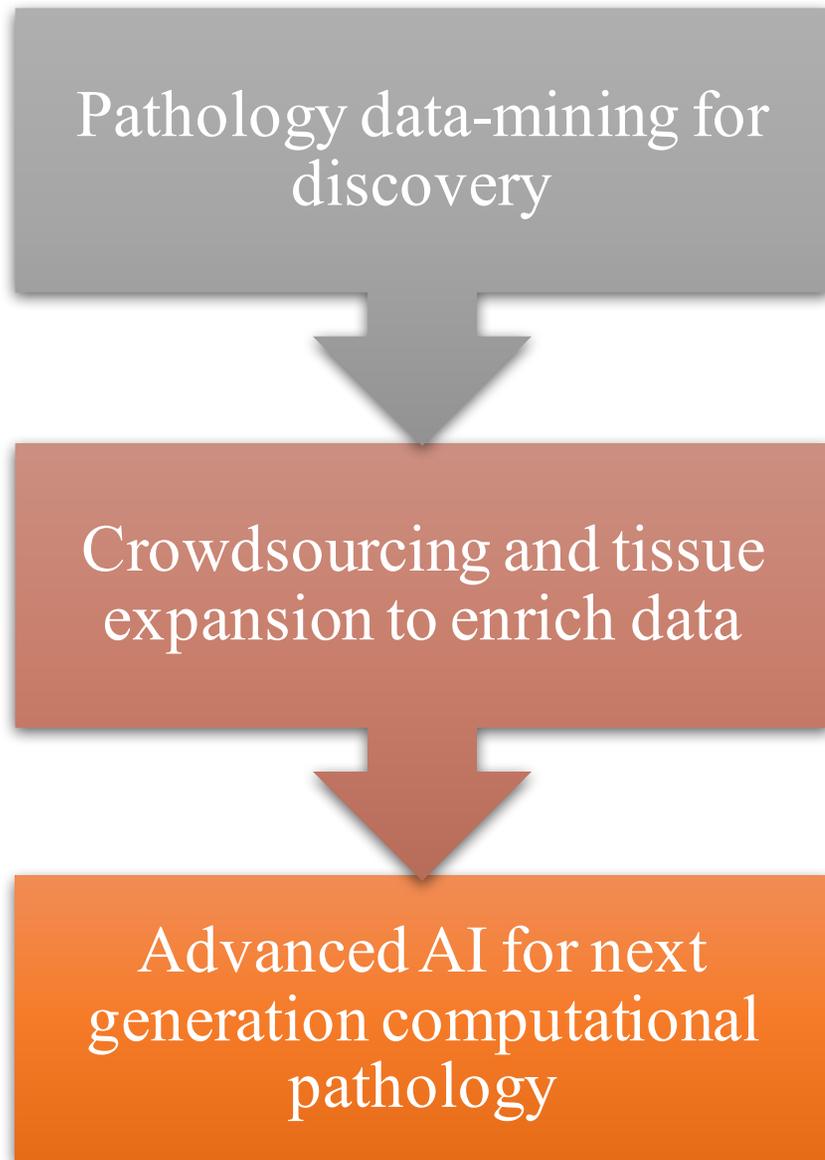


- Data and image export:**
- ROI
 - Single-cell
 - Sub-cellular
 - Error metrics

Deep Learning for Computational Pathology



AI-Powered Computational Pathology at the center of bio-medicine and healthcare



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