

TOOLS TO ANALYZE MORPHOLOGY AND SPATIALLY MAPPED MOLECULAR DATA

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Tools to Analyze Morphology and Spatially Mapped Molecular Data - U24 CA180924

- **Aim 1:** Analysis pipelines for multi-scale, integrative analysis of histopathology images
- **Aim 2:** Database infrastructure to manage and query Pathomics features
- **Aim 3:** Software that targets local machines as well as cloud computing, and high performance computing systems
- **Aim 4:** Develop visualization middleware to relate Pathomics feature and image data and to integrate Pathomics image and “omic” data.
- Combine and deploy tools and methods in an integrated software platform

Using Tissue Slides

- **Traditional Approach**

- Tissue taken from patients is fixed on a glass slide and stained
- Pathologist examines the tissue slide under high-power microscope to classify the tissue and render a diagnosis
- Hard (or impossible) to generate (detailed) quantitative information
- Labor intensive, not feasible for studies using large numbers of slides

- **Quantitative Analysis/Assessment**

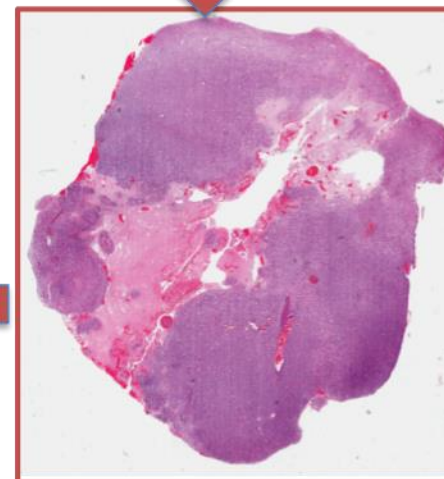
- Whole slide tissue imaging has progressed significantly in recent years
- Time required to scan a slide at high-resolution has reduced from multiple hours to several minutes
- Storage space is getting cheaper

Whole Slide Tissue Imaging

Glass Slides



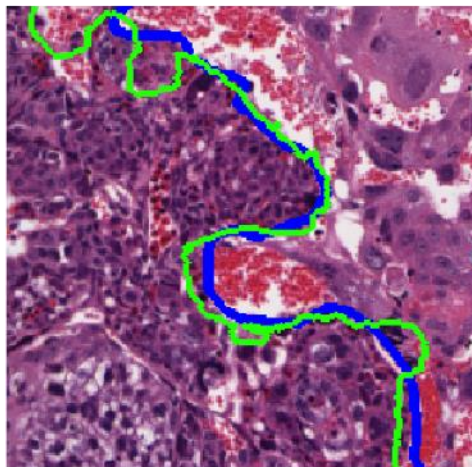
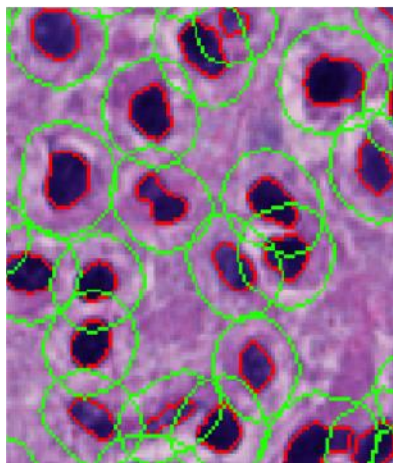
Whole Slide Imaging



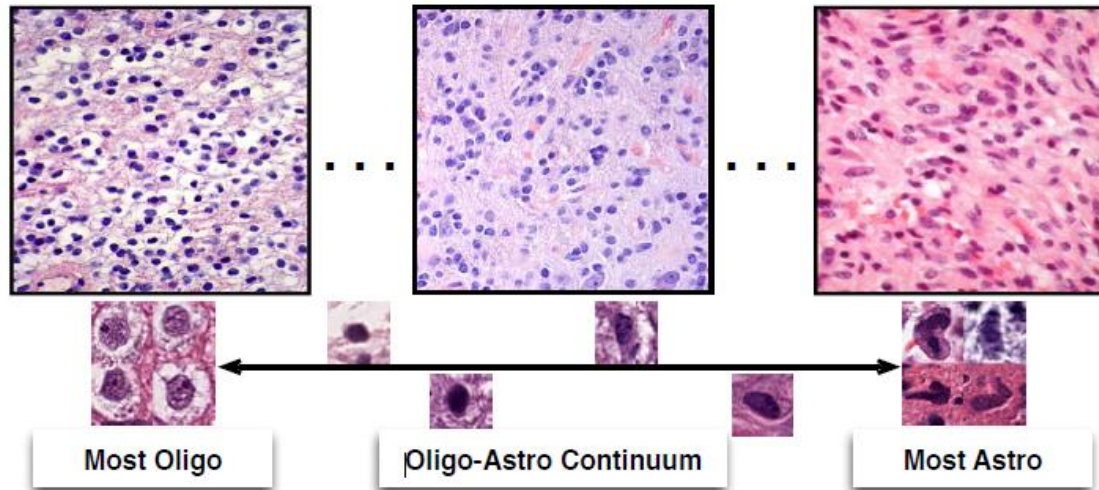
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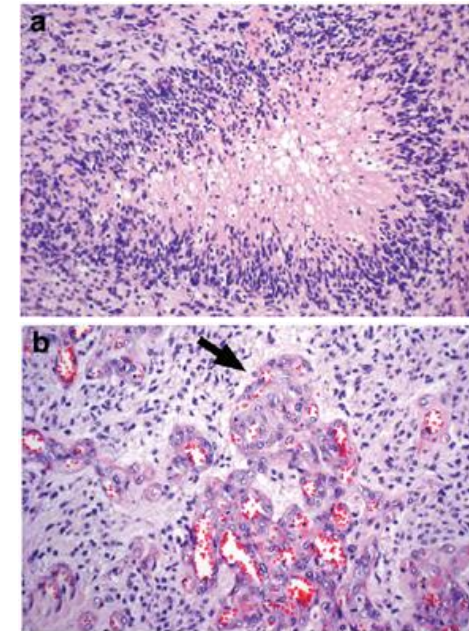
Image Analysis



Different types of nuclei and cells

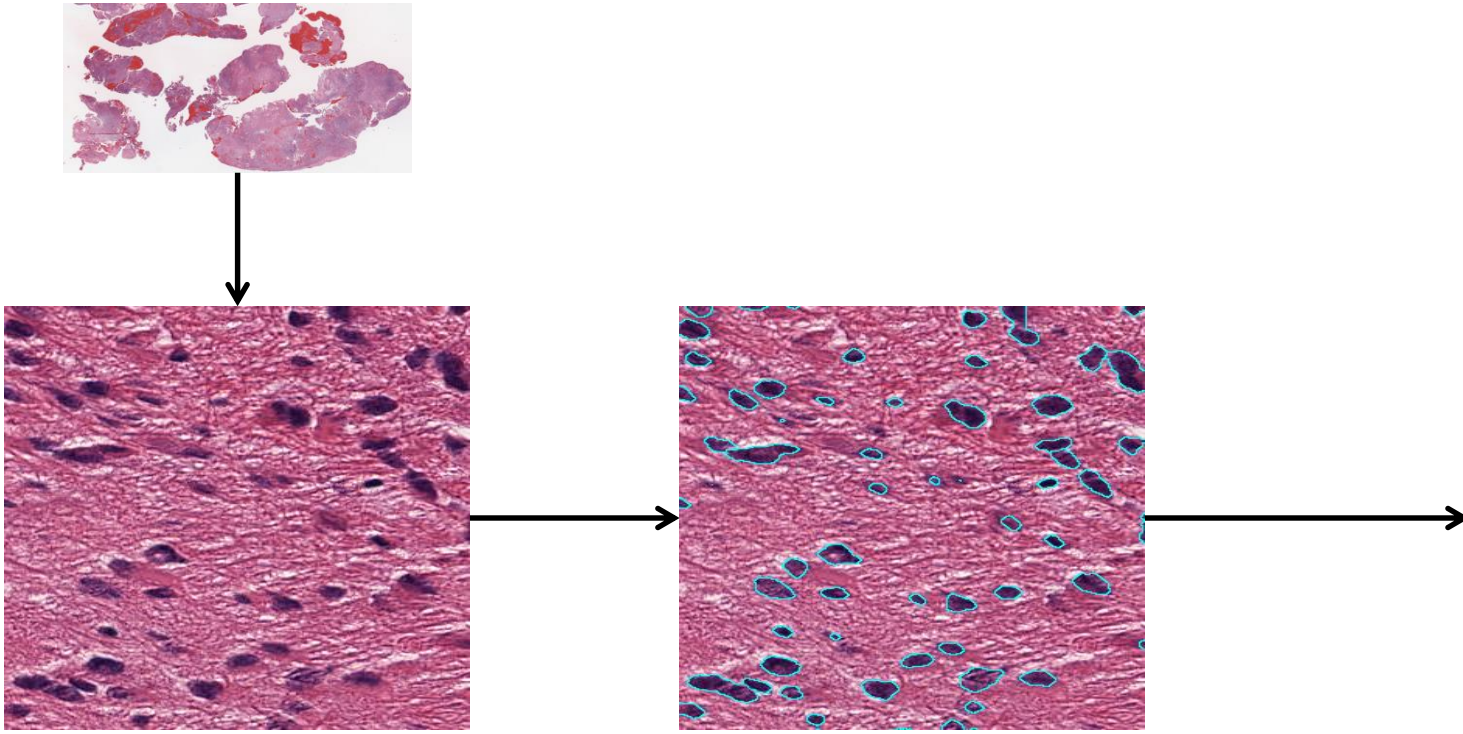


Regions of necrosis and angiogenesis



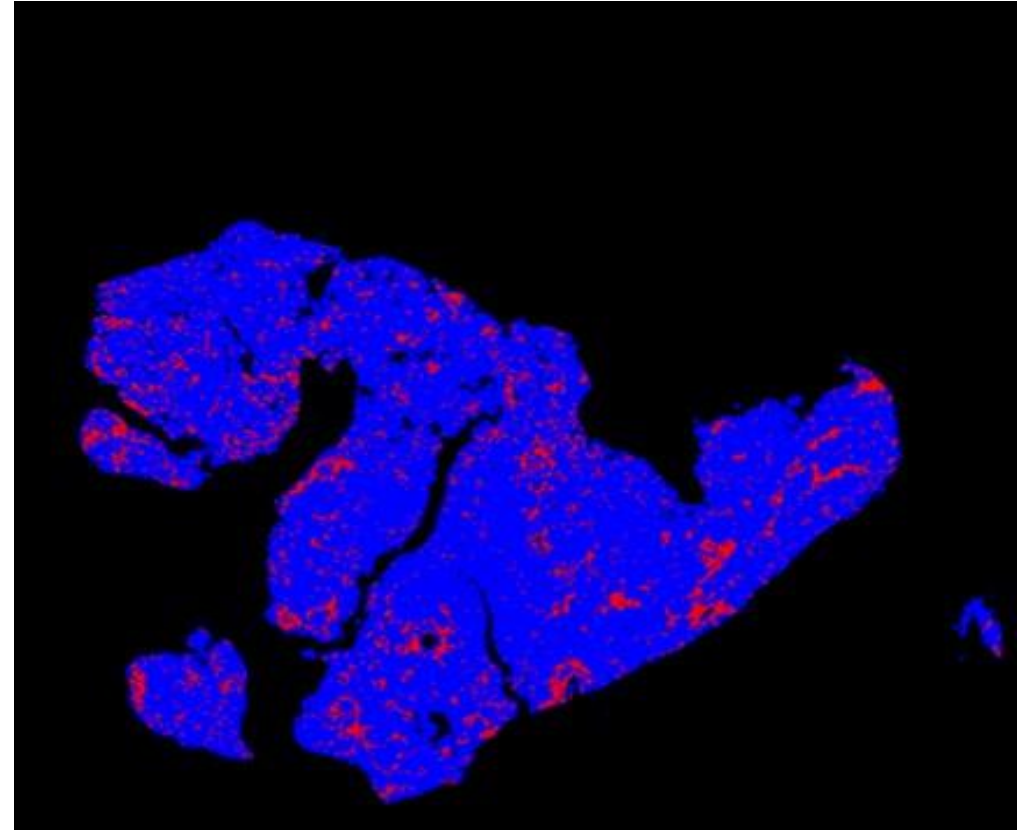
- Datasets of rich nuclear morphological information
- *Some Research Questions:*
 - *Are there natural clusters of tumor morphology?*
 - *Are there links to patient outcome and molecular/genomic characteristics?*

Quantitative Assessment: Nuclear Features



- Big Data Problem
 - Thousands of images
 - Millions of regions
 - Billions of nuclei and features

- Spatial characterization – mapping of patterns
- Tumor Infiltrating Lymphocytes by CNN Deep Learning Method
- Classification of images and image regions

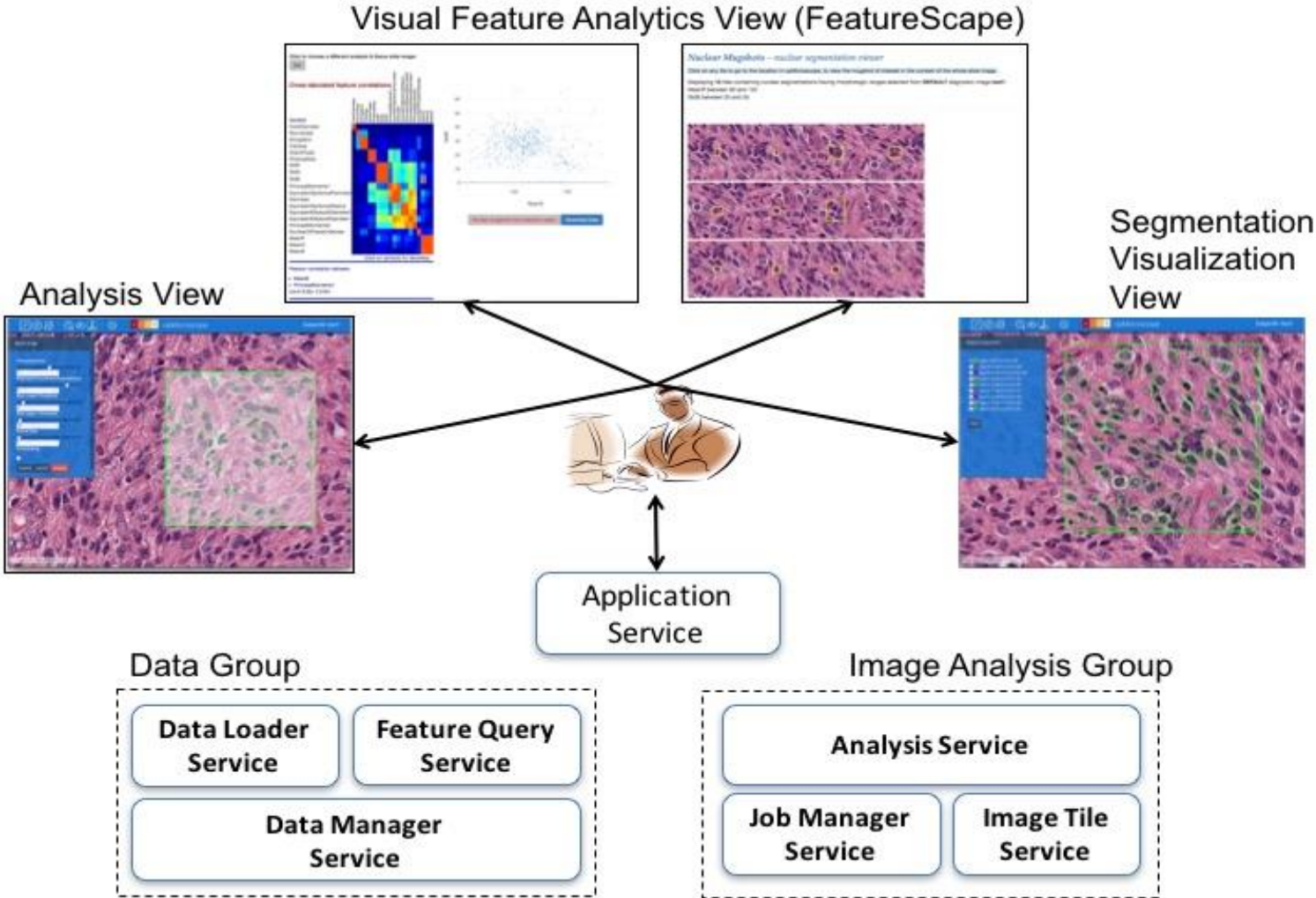


Quantitative Imaging in Pathology (QuIP) Software Platform

Software: https://github.com/SBU-BMI/quip_distro.git

Description: https://sbu-bmi.github.io/quip_distro/

QuIP Software Platform



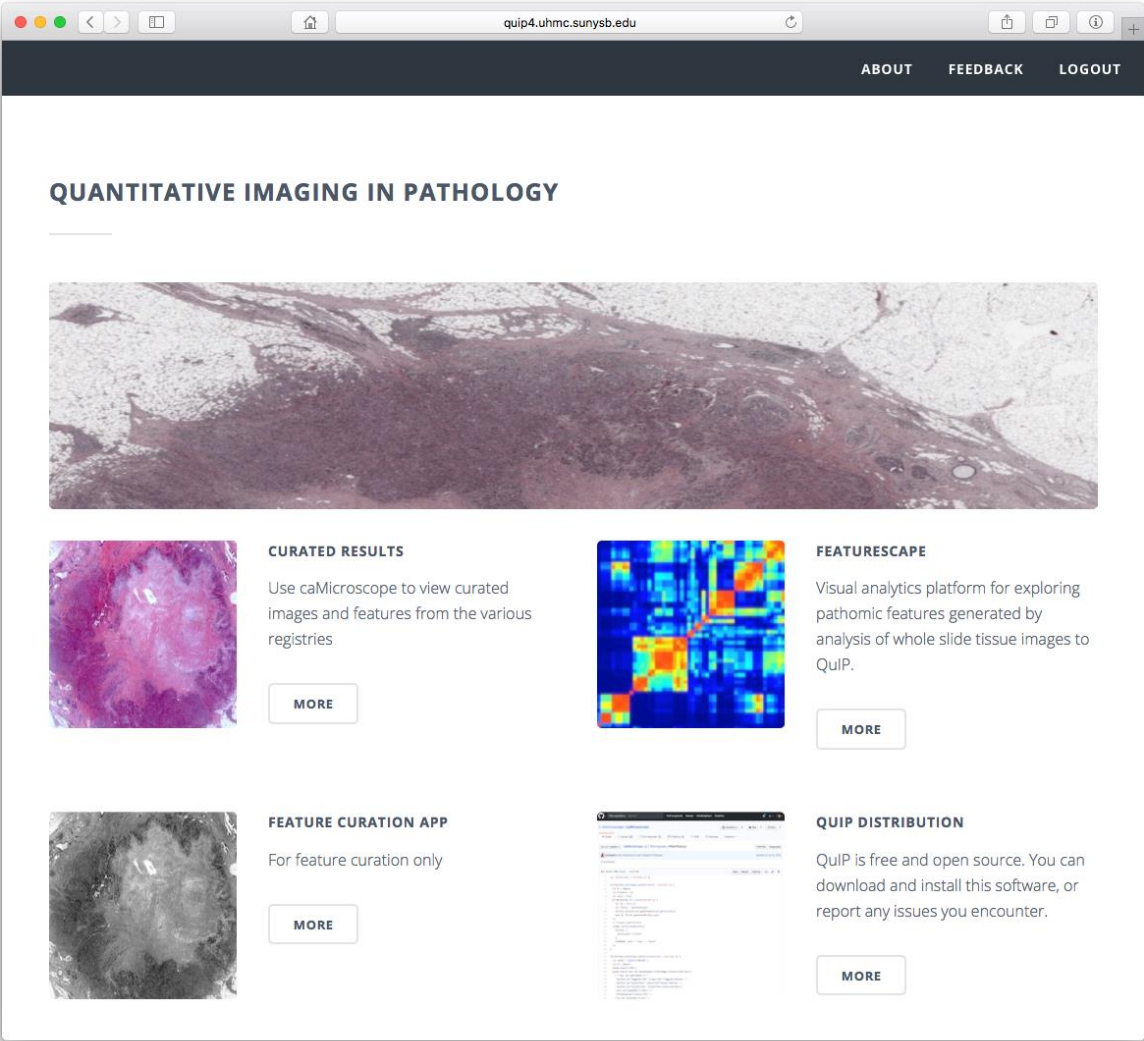
Containerized Software for QuIP Services

- The **application service group** is a single container that hosts a suite of Web applications to view images and interact with analysis results.
 - Visualization – caMicroscope, FeatureScape
 - Higher-level Apps – TIL/Heatmap Editor, Segmentation Curation App
- The **image analysis group** is made up of three containers, which collectively execute image analysis requests.
 - *Analysis service* – hosts analysis pipeline
 - *Job Manager service* – tracks jobs
 - *Image tile service* – services image tiles for analysis
- The **data management service group** is implemented as a set of three containers for data loading, data management, and query processing.
 - *Data loader service* -- load image metadata and analysis results
 - *Data manager service* – manage and index image data, analysis results, features
 - *Feature query service* – query feature data for visualization and exploration

Image Analysis Libraries

- Deep learning workflow for analysis of TIL patterns
 - A set of programs and scripts to train, re-train, execute prediction
 - https://github.com/SBU-BMI/u24_lymphocyte
 - Graphical user interfaces via QuIP for review and refinement of prediction results and iterative learning
 - Docker container for prediction and training steps
- Nuclear segmentation pipeline
 - A C++ library and programs to carry out segmentation of nuclear material in whole slide tissue images
 - https://github.com/SBU-BMI/pathomics_analysis.git
 - Integrated in QuIP as a Docker container

QuIP Web Interface



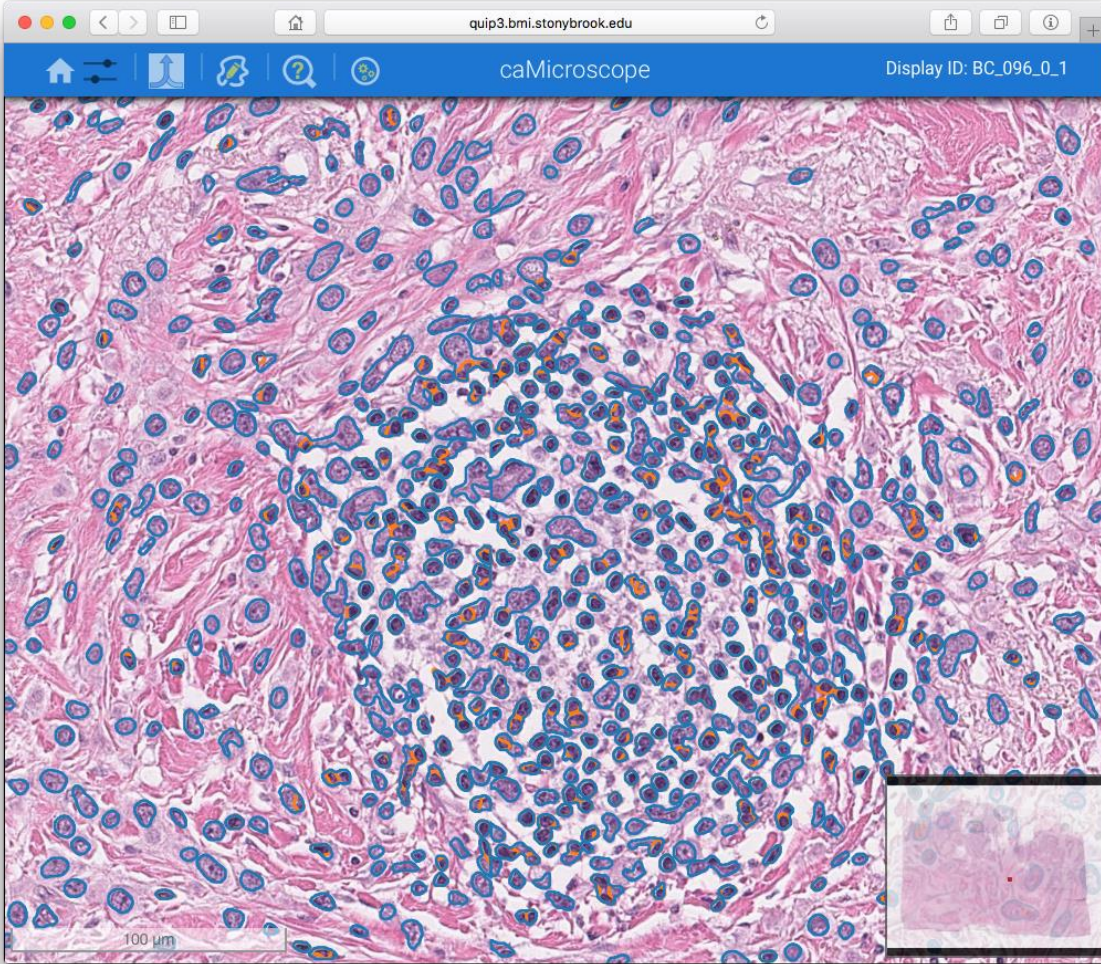
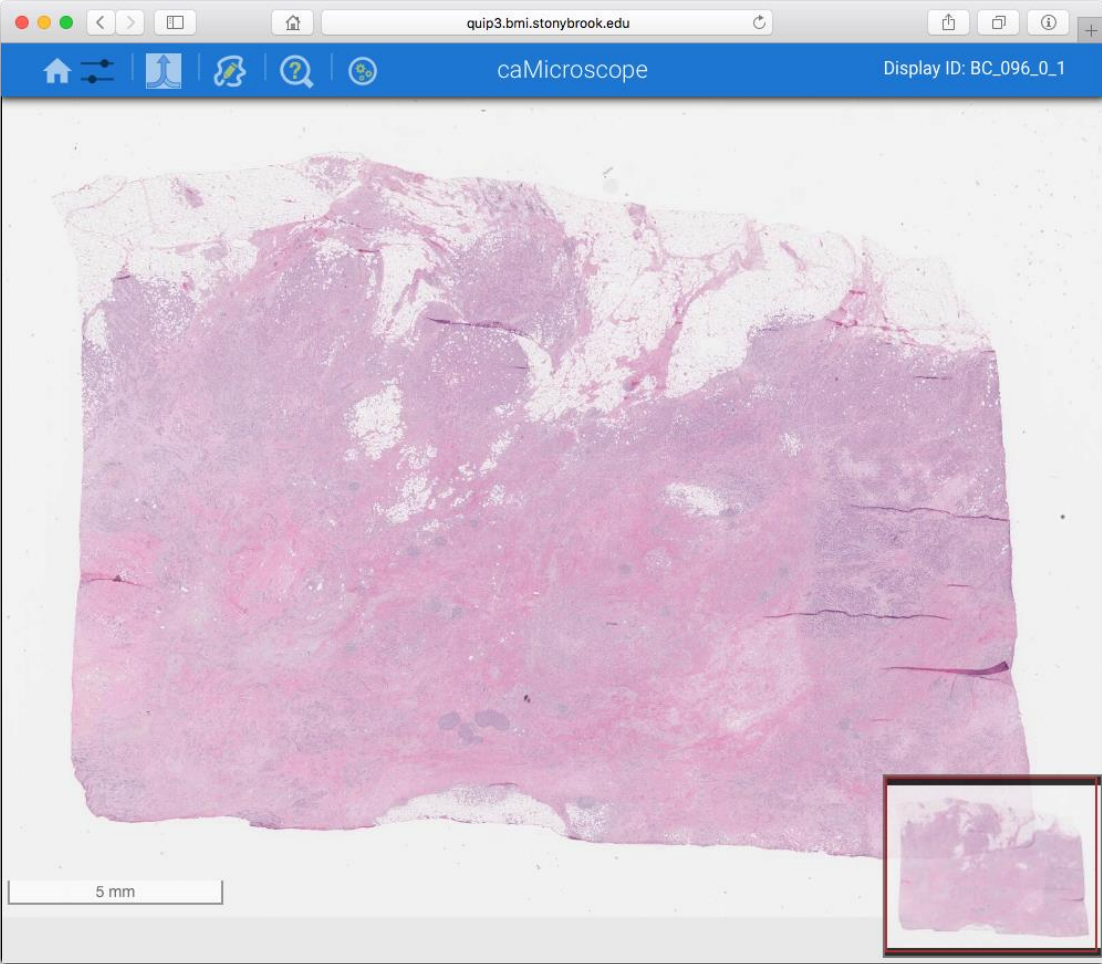
The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `quip4.uhmc.sunysb.edu`. The page has a dark navigation bar with links for **ABOUT**, **FEEDBACK**, and **LOGOUT**. The main content area is titled **QUANTITATIVE IMAGING IN PATHOLOGY** and features a large histology image at the top. Below this, there are four sections, each with a representative image and a **MORE** button:

- CURATED RESULTS**: Accompanied by a histology image. Description: "Use caMicroscope to view curated images and features from the various registries".
- FEATURESCAPE**: Accompanied by a heatmap image. Description: "Visual analytics platform for exploring pathomic features generated by analysis of whole slide tissue images to QuIP".
- FEATURE CURATION APP**: Accompanied by a histology image. Description: "For feature curation only".
- QUIP DISTRIBUTION**: Accompanied by a screenshot of a terminal window. Description: "QuIP is free and open source. You can download and install this software, or report any issues you encounter".

Visualization: caMicroscope

- Web-based platform for visualizing digital pathology images with segmentation results and features that are overlaid on the images
- Smooth web-based viewing of high resolution whole slide tissue images
 - Panning, Zooming
 - Overlay of one or more segmentation results
 - Human markups
- Provides APIs that allow interactive back-and-forth between feature exploration and image visualization

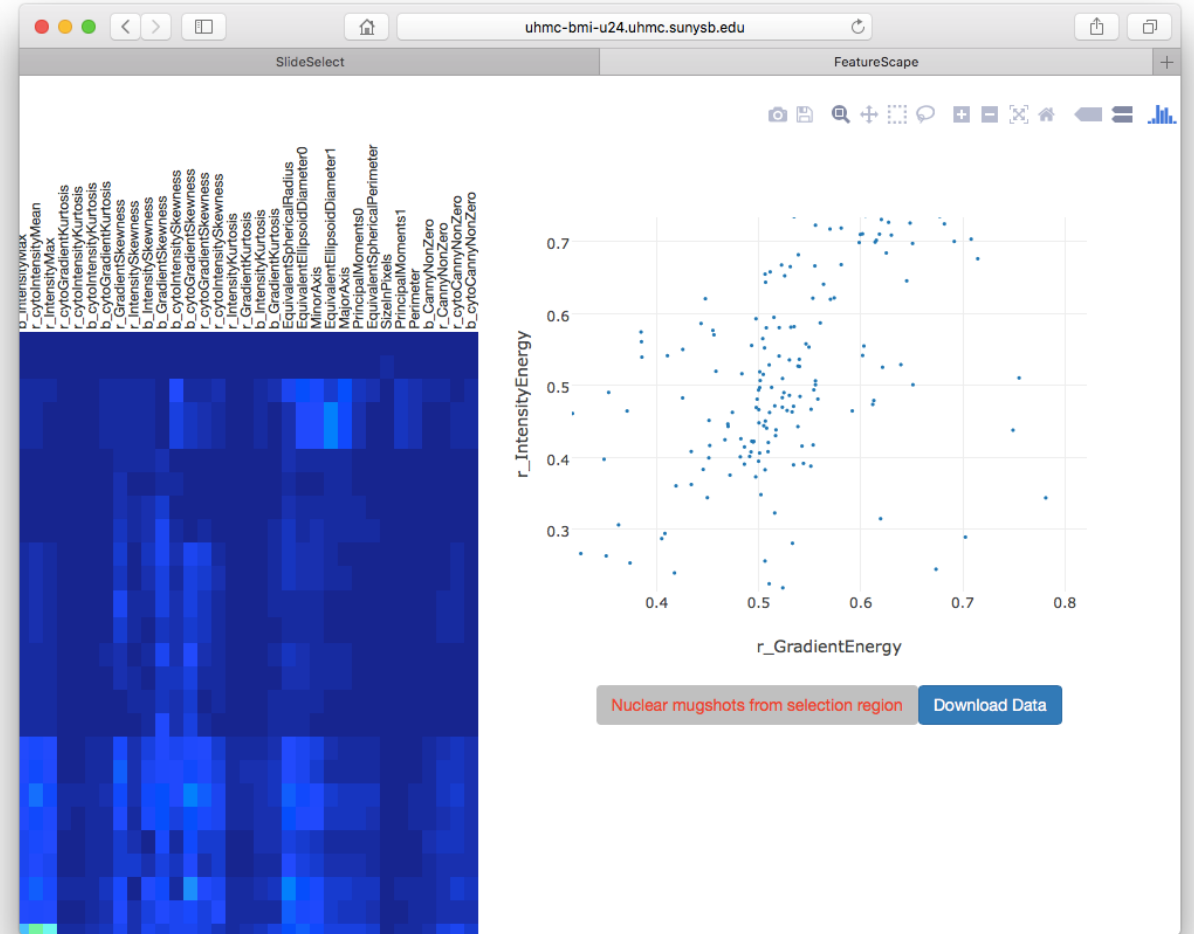
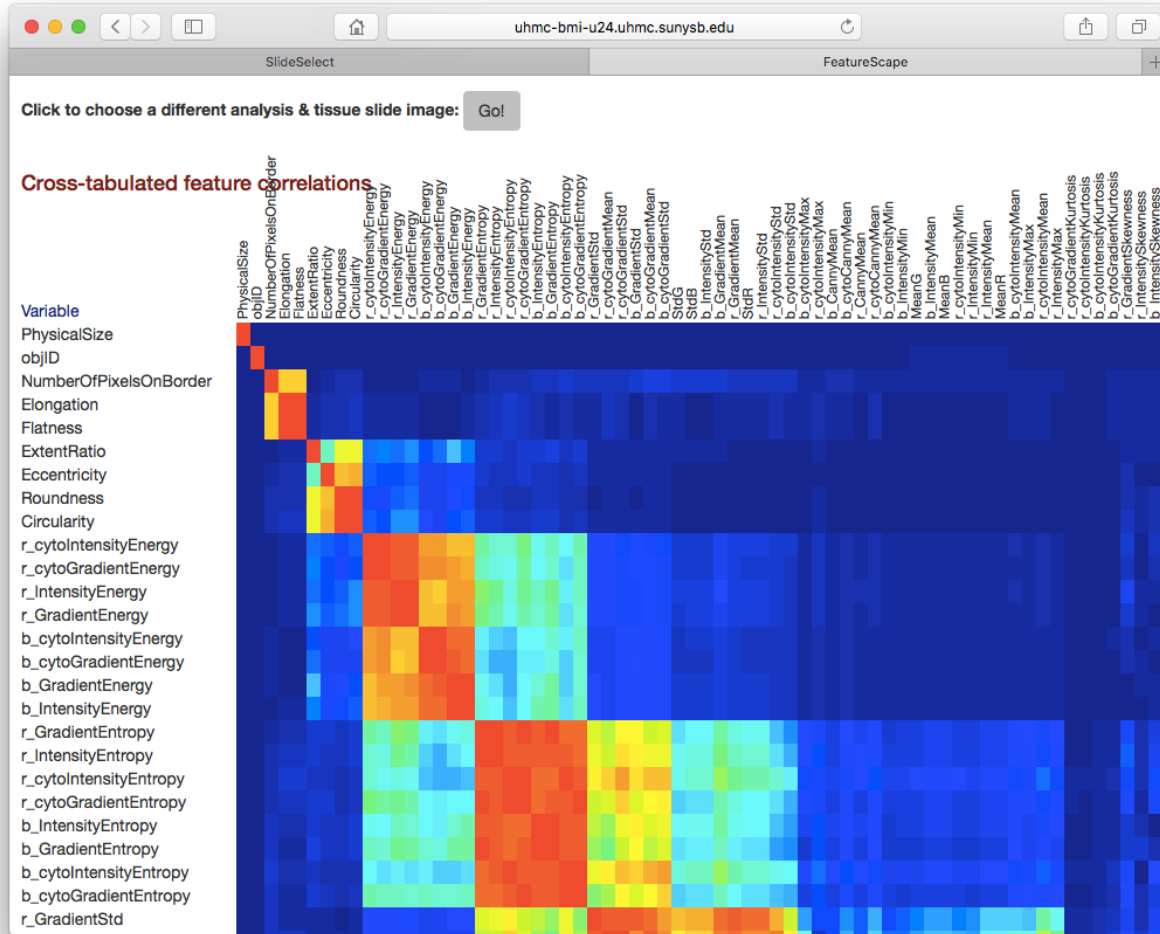
caMicroscope



Visualization: FeatureScape

- Web-based apps for feature based visual analytics
- Visualization of inter-related imaging features
- Go from feature level to image level

FeatureScape



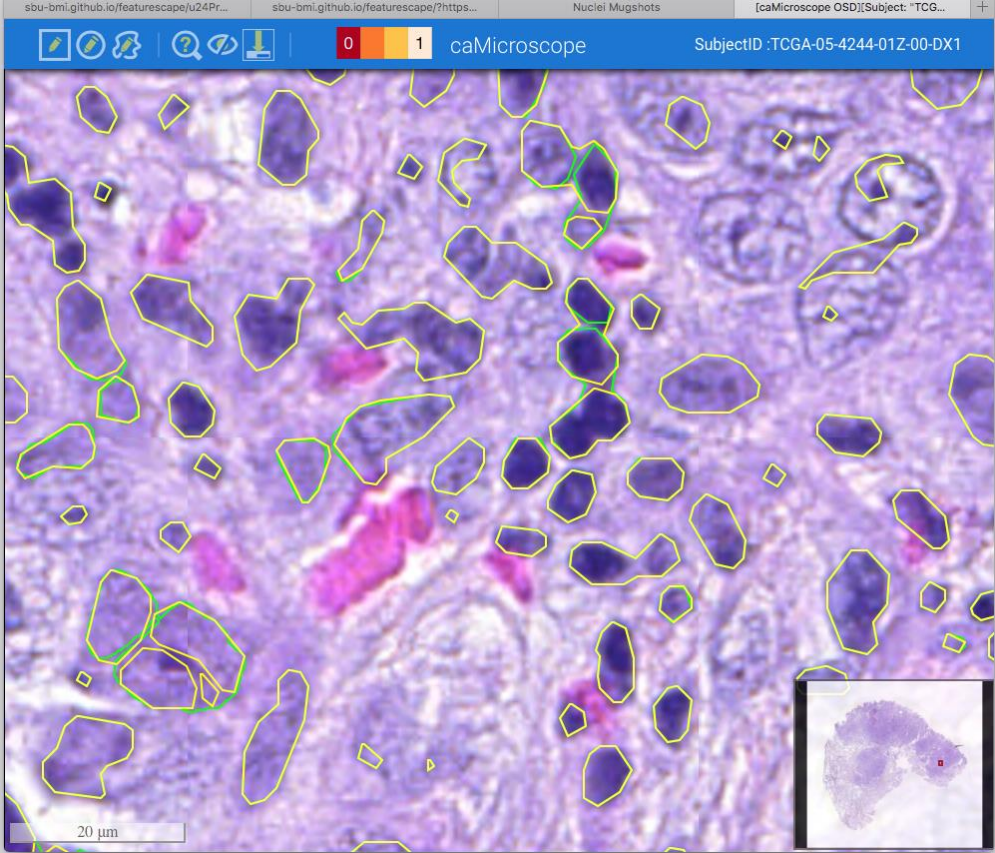
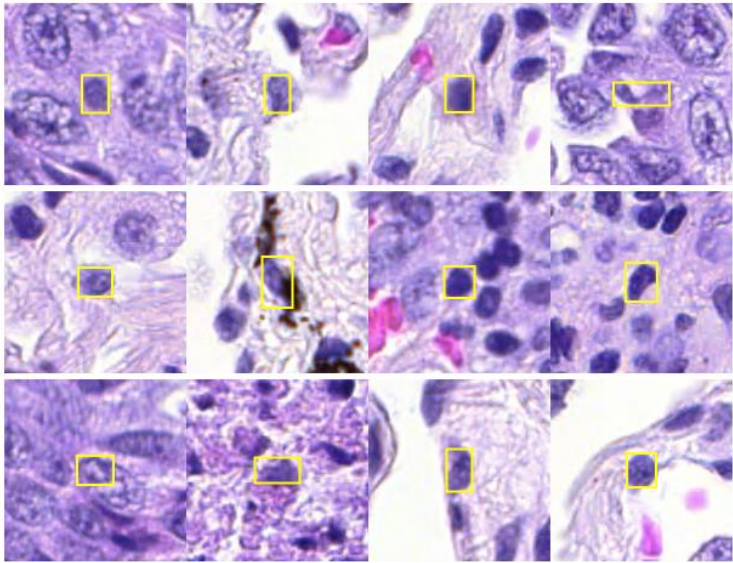
caMicroscope + FeatureScape

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Nuclei Mugshots 🐱

Mugshots of the "bad guys"... the bad nuclei, that is. **Wanted:** for robbery (of good health!)

Hover over the smaller patch containing a nucleus to view it larger.
The larger patch underneath shows the nucleus in context.
Click on either patch to go to the location in caMicroscope.



Database: FeatureDB

- Based on NoSQL document database
- Flexible data model in JSON format
 - Borrows elements from AIM and PAIS models
- Organizes segmentation and feature data into GeoJSON compatible format
 - Segmentation results as polygons
 - Features as key-value pairs
 - Shape, intensity, texture and size features

FeatureDB – GeoJSON-based Data Model

```
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FeatureDB – GeoJSON-based Data Model

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Higher-level Web Applications

- TIL/Heatmap Editor
 - Used in study of Tumor Infiltrating Lymphocytes (TILs)
- Segmentation Curation Application
 - Used in SEER Virtual Repository Pilot/Project

TIL/Heatmap Editor

- Support for Iterative Learning/Refinement Workflows
- Motivated by and used in study of TIL patterns in 13 TCGA cancer types

Spatial Organization and Molecular Correlation of Tumor-Infiltrating Lymphocytes Using Deep Learning on Pathology Images

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[http://www.cell.com/cell-reports/pdf/S2211-1247\(18\)30447-9.pdf](http://www.cell.com/cell-reports/pdf/S2211-1247(18)30447-9.pdf)

- Stony Brook, Institute for Systems Biology, MD Anderson, Emory group
- TCGA Pan Cancer Immune Group – led by ISB researchers
- Deep dive into linked molecular and image based characterization of cancer related immune response

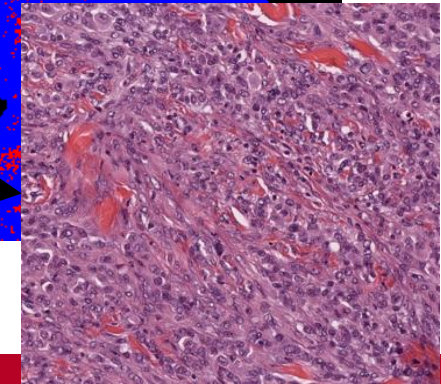
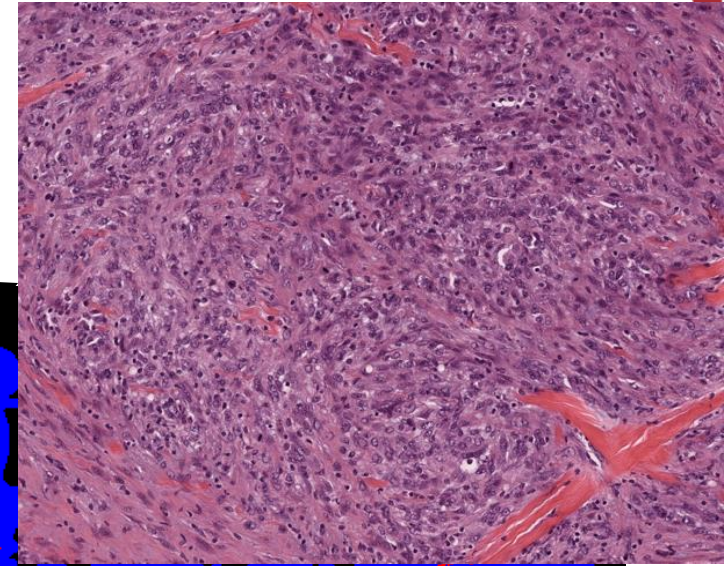
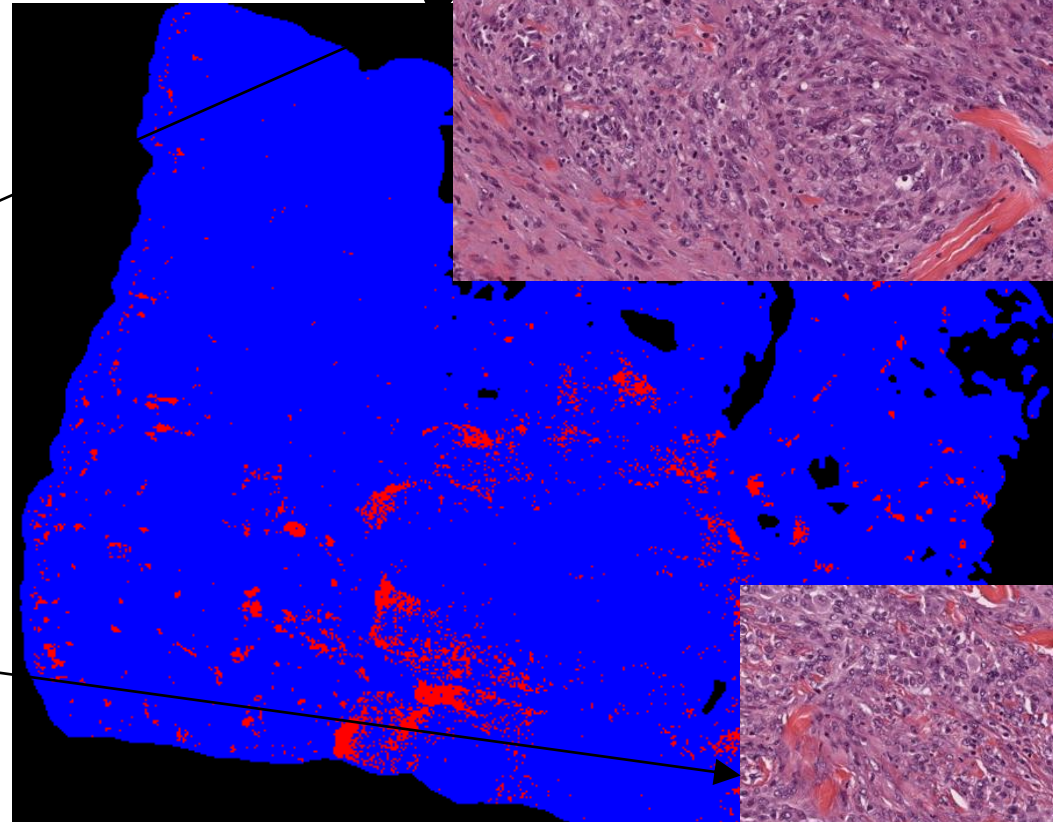
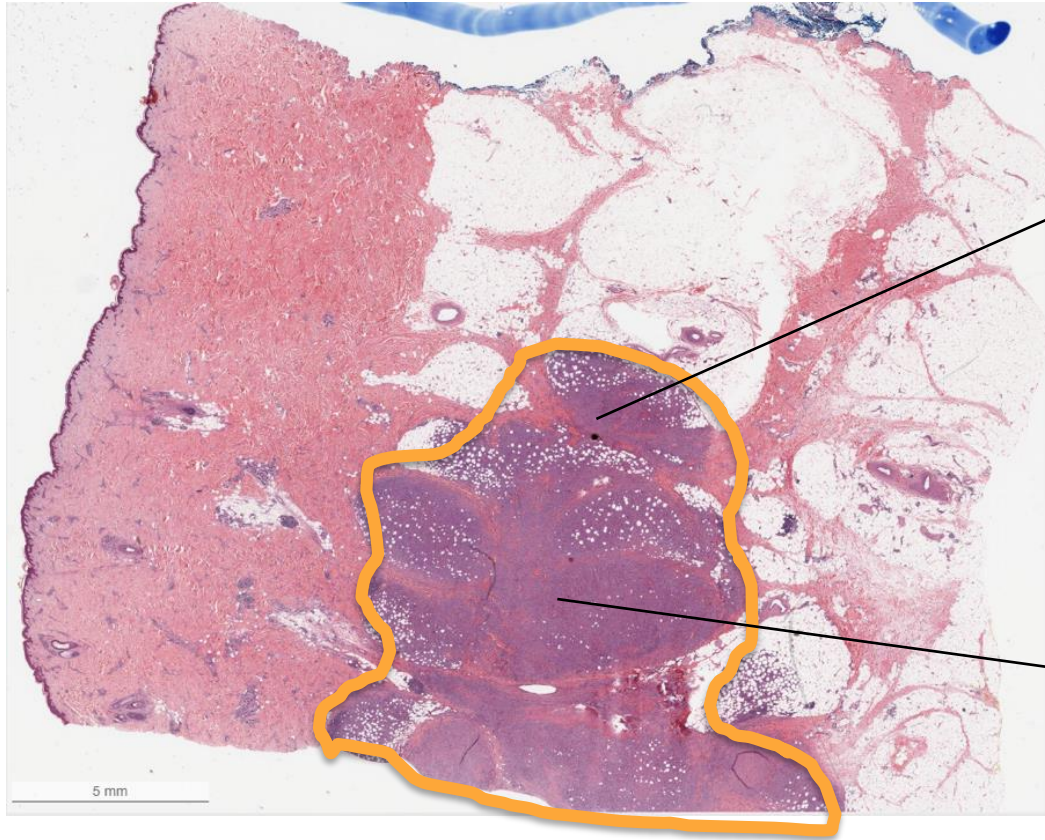
Importance of Immune System in Cancer Treatment and Prognosis

- Tumor spatial context and cellular heterogeneity are important in cancer prognosis
- Spatial TIL densities in different tumor regions have been shown to have high prognostic value – they may be superior to the standard TNM classification
- Immune related assays used to determine Checkpoint Inhibitor immune therapy in several cancer types
- Strong relationships with molecular measures of tumor immune response – results to soon appear in TCGA Pan Cancer Immune group publications
- TIL maps being computed for SEER Pathology studies and will be routinely computed for data contributed to TCIA archive
- Ongoing study to relate TIL patterns with immune gene expression groups and patient response

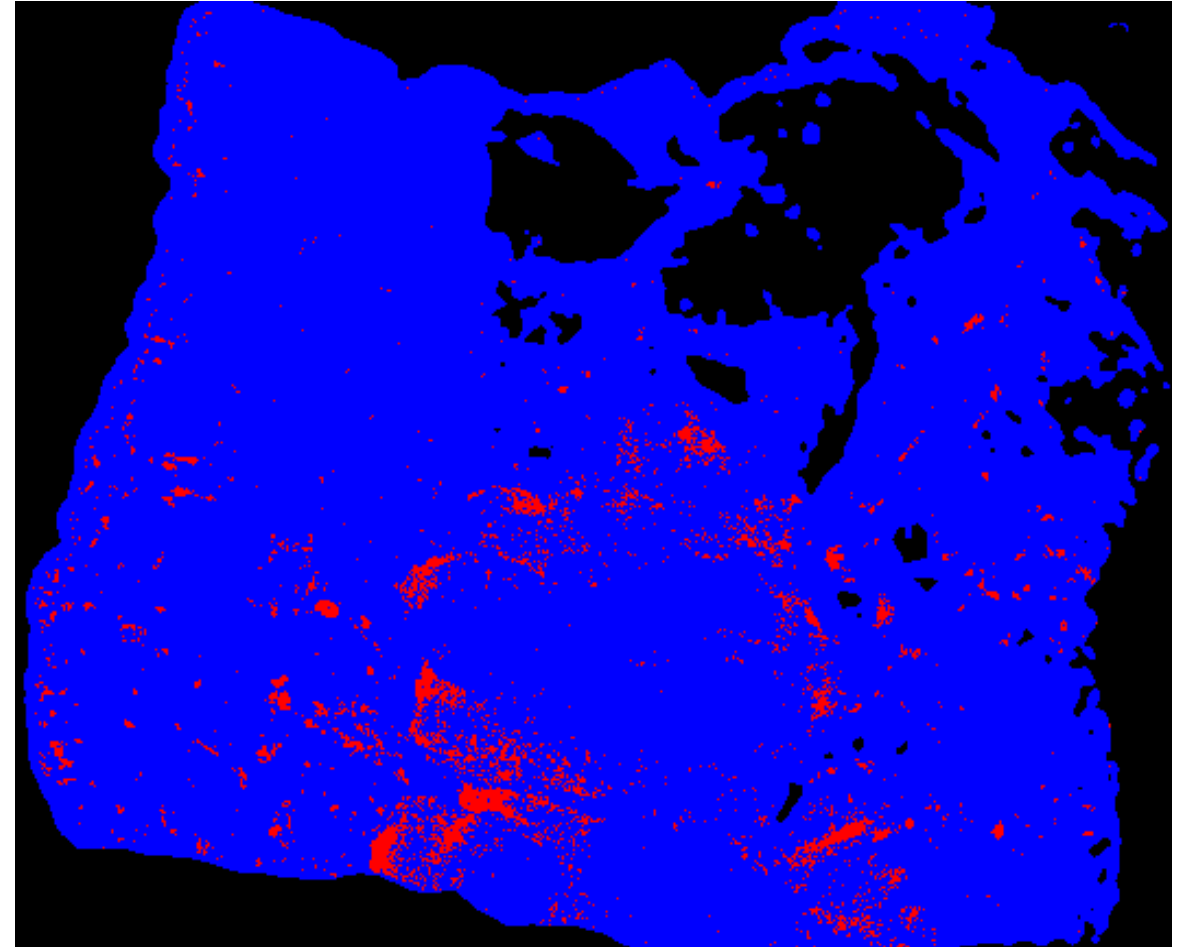
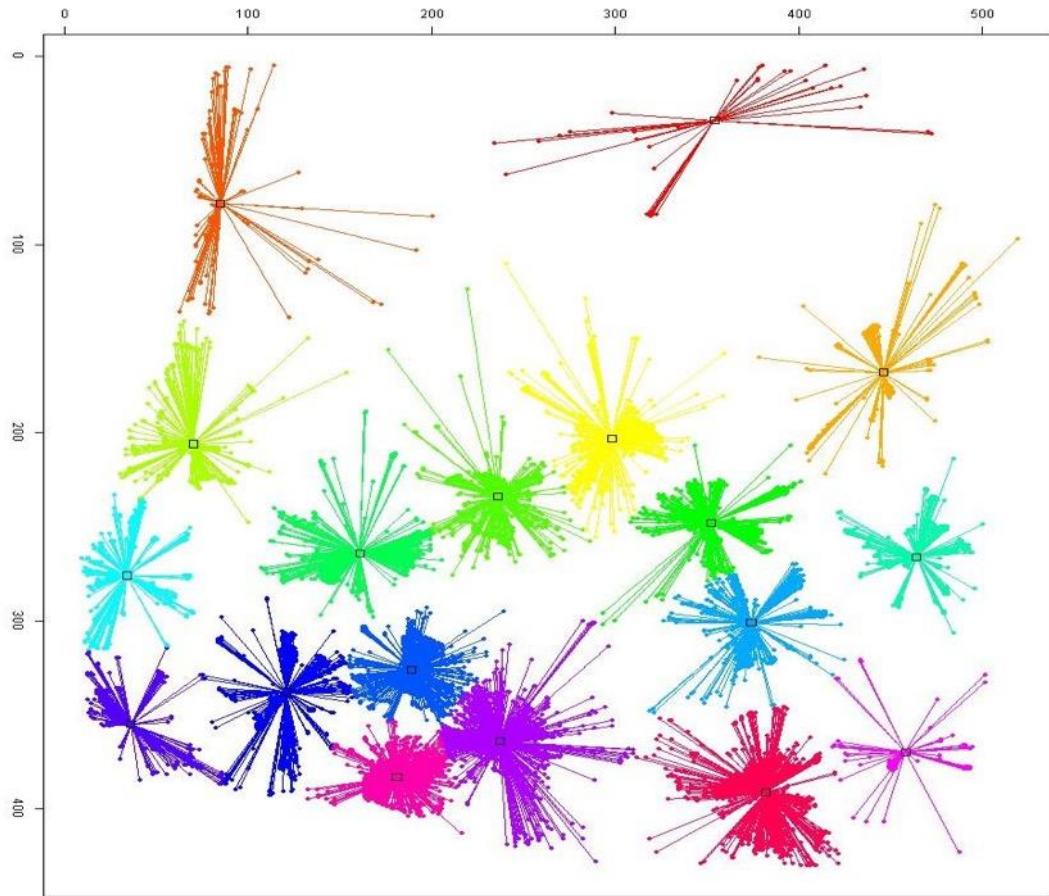


- Deep learning based analysis of patterns of tumor infiltrating lymphocytes (TILs)
- TIL patterns generated from 4,759 TCGA subjects (5,202 H&E slides), 13 cancer types
- TIL patterns correlate with pathologist eye and molecular estimates
- TIL patterns linked to tumor and immune molecular features, cancer type, and outcome

TIL Patterns

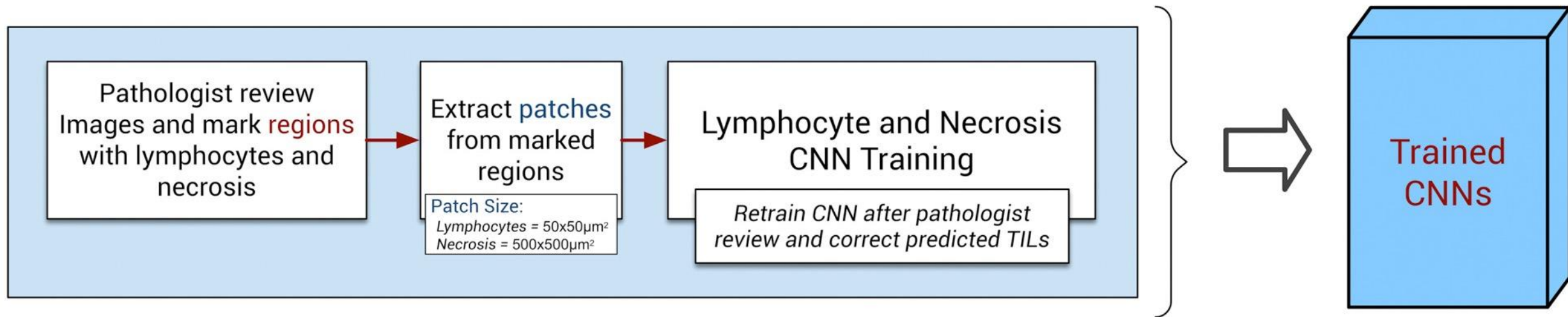


TIL Patterns – Clustering Indices

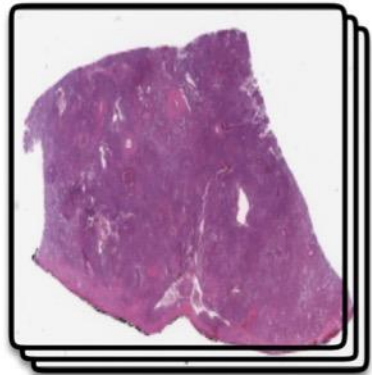


Training, Model Creation

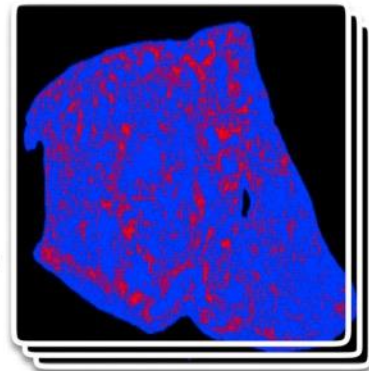
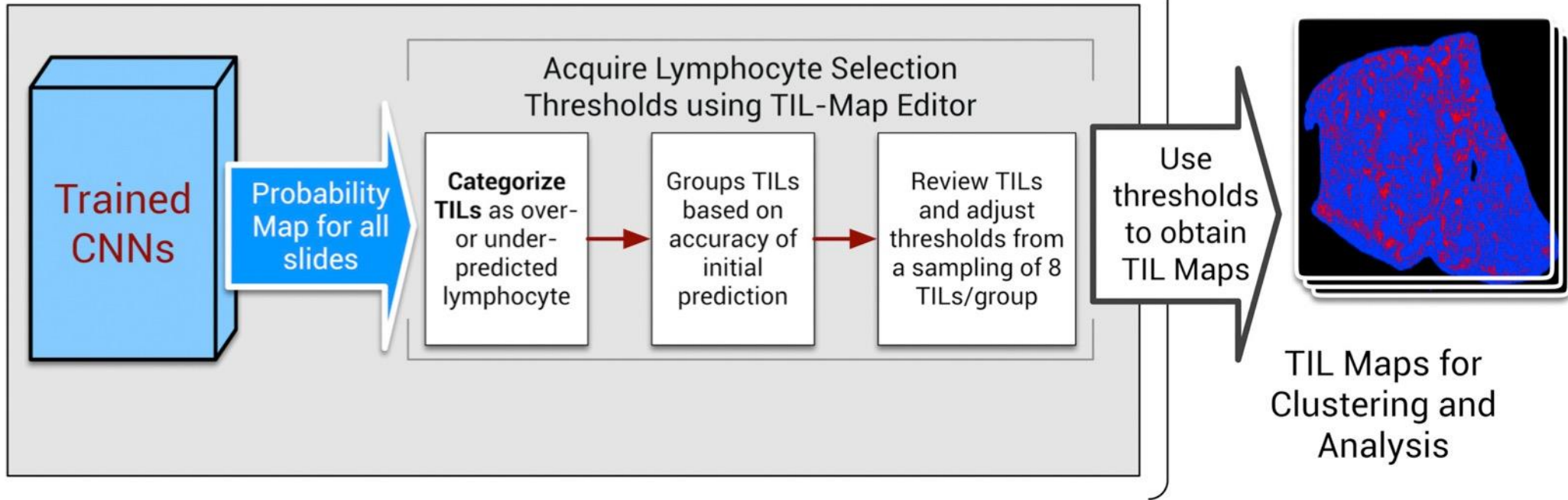
- Algorithm first trained on image patches
- Several cooperating deep learning algorithms generate heat maps
- Heat maps used to generate new predictions
- Companion molecular statistical data analysis pipelines



Training, threshold adjustment, quality control

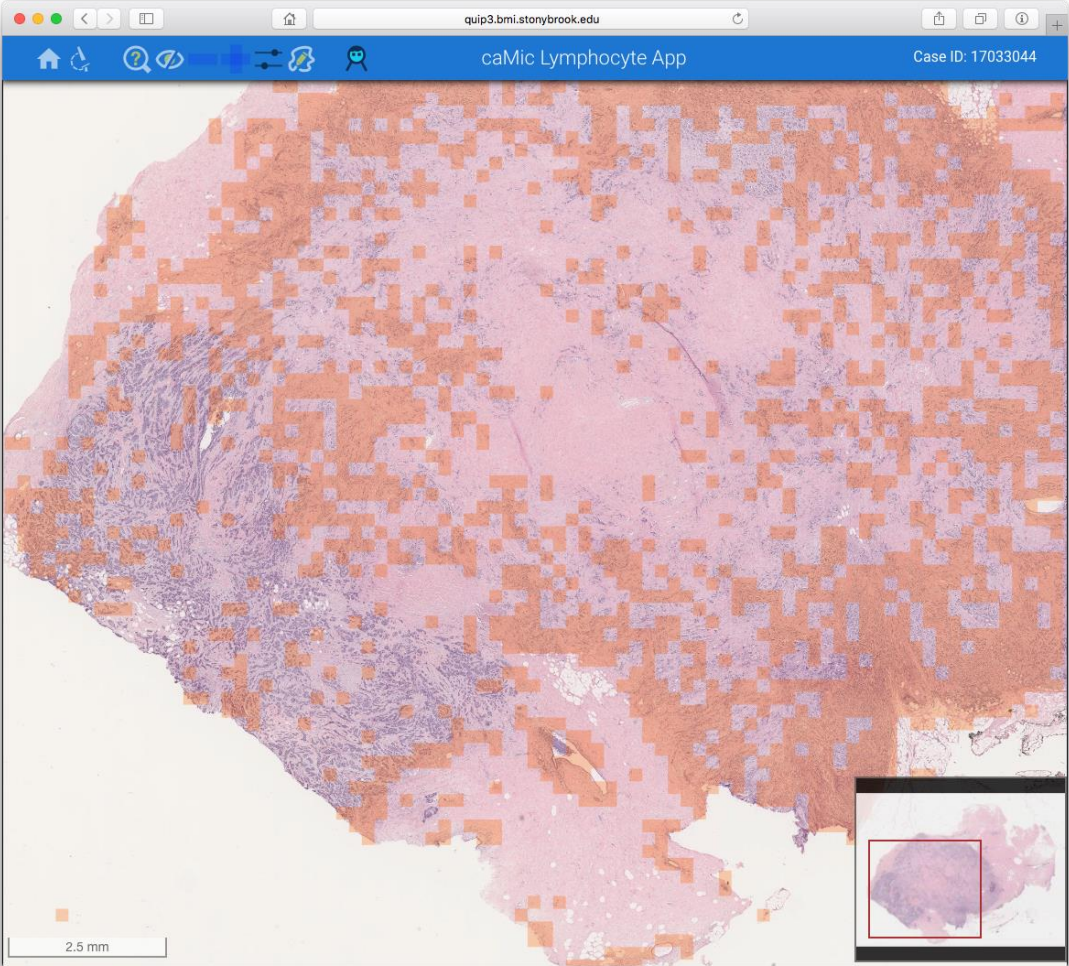


Unlabeled set of WSI H&E Images (5455 images, 13 cancer types)

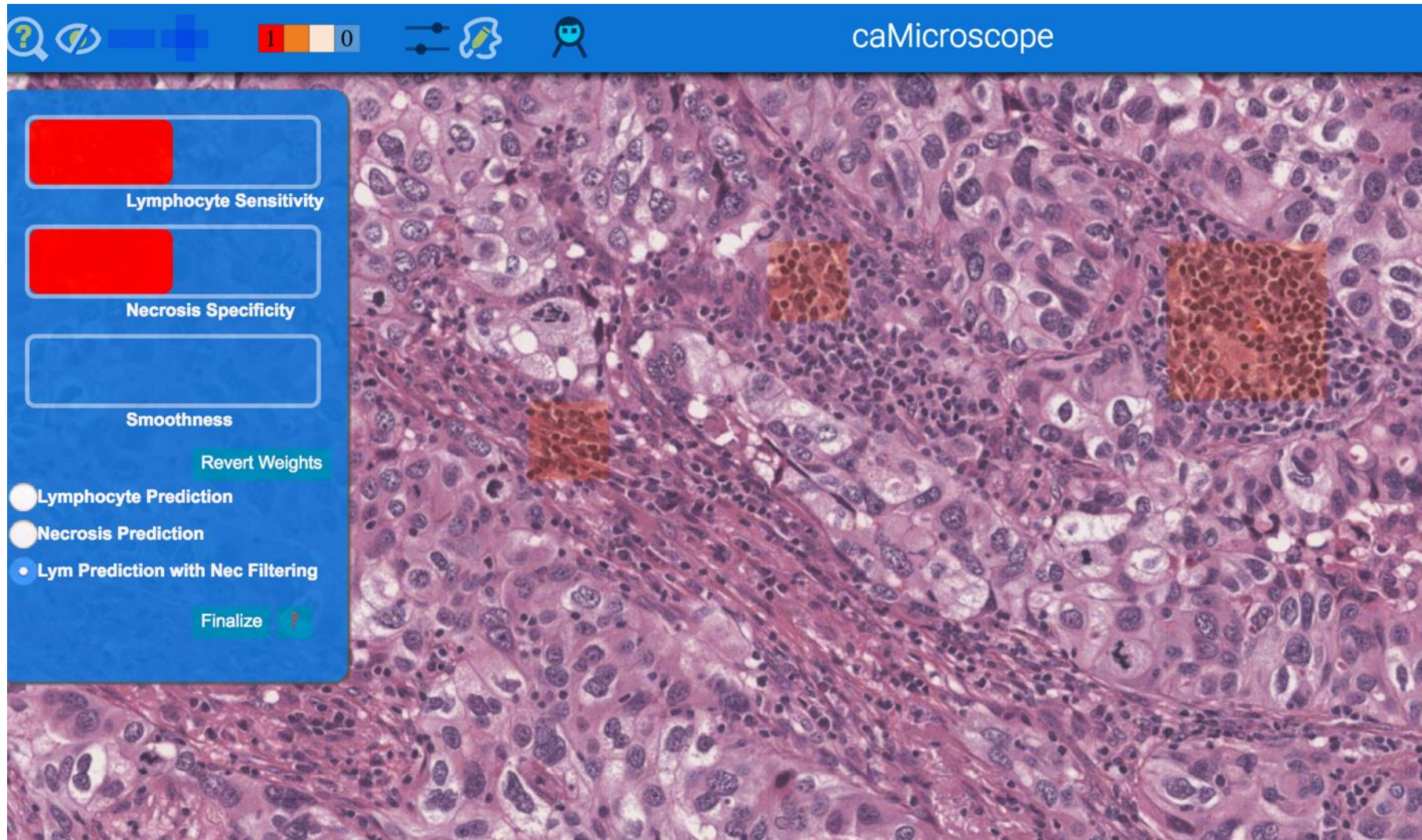


TIL Maps for Clustering and Analysis

Heatmap View of TIL Probability Maps



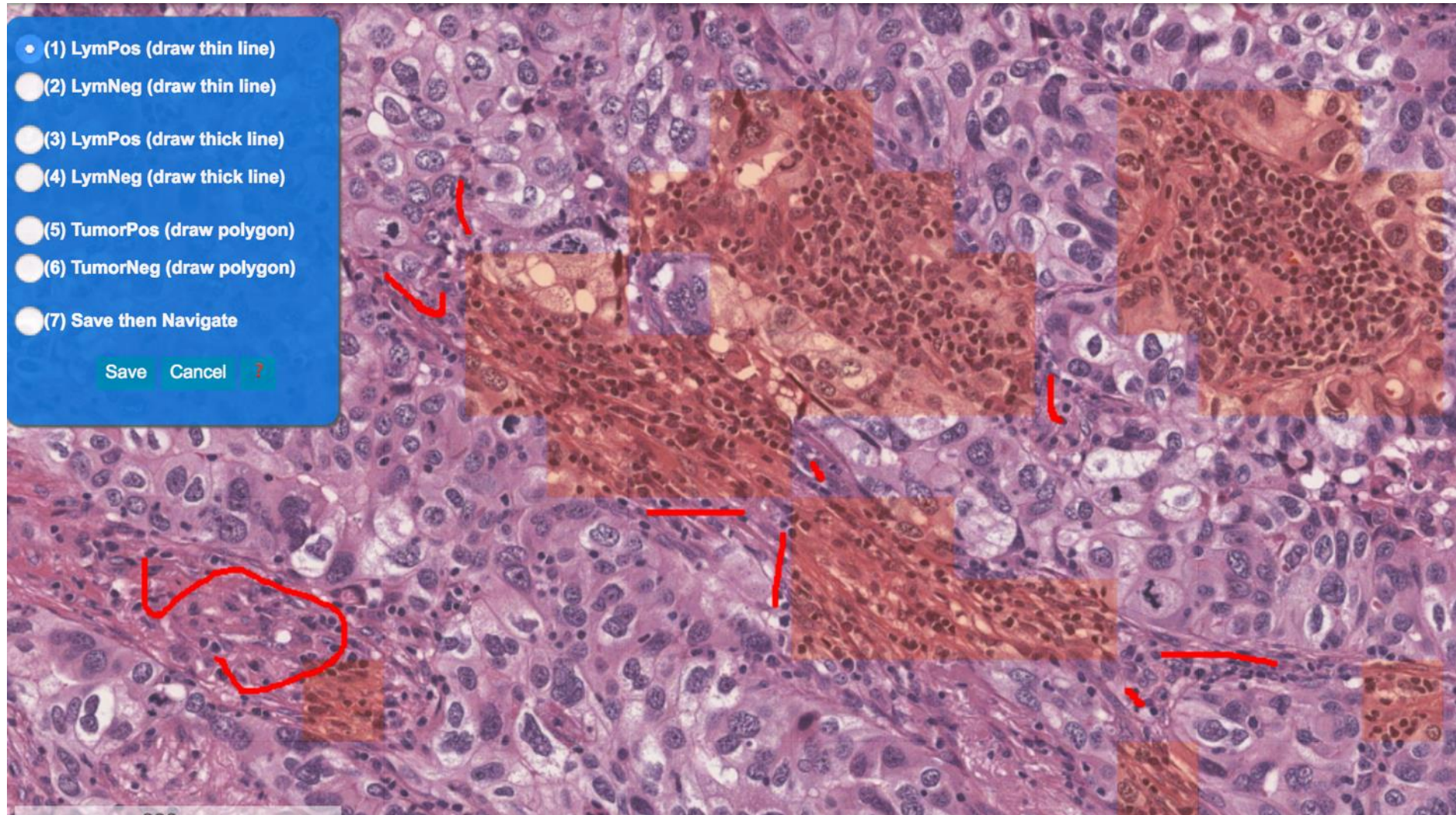
TIL Map Editor



The screenshot displays the TIL Map Editor interface. At the top, a blue header bar contains the text "caMicroscope" and several icons: a question mark, a magnifying glass, a crosshair, a color scale (0 to 1), a brush, and a person icon. The main area shows a histology image with a blue overlay. On the left, a blue sidebar contains the following controls:

- Lymphocyte Sensitivity**: A red slider bar.
- Necrosis Specificity**: A red slider bar.
- Smoothness**: An empty slider bar.
- Revert Weights**: A button.
- Lymphocyte Prediction**: A radio button.
- Necrosis Prediction**: A radio button.
- Lym Prediction with Nec Filtering**: A radio button (selected).
- Finalize**: A button with a question mark icon.

TIL Map Editor

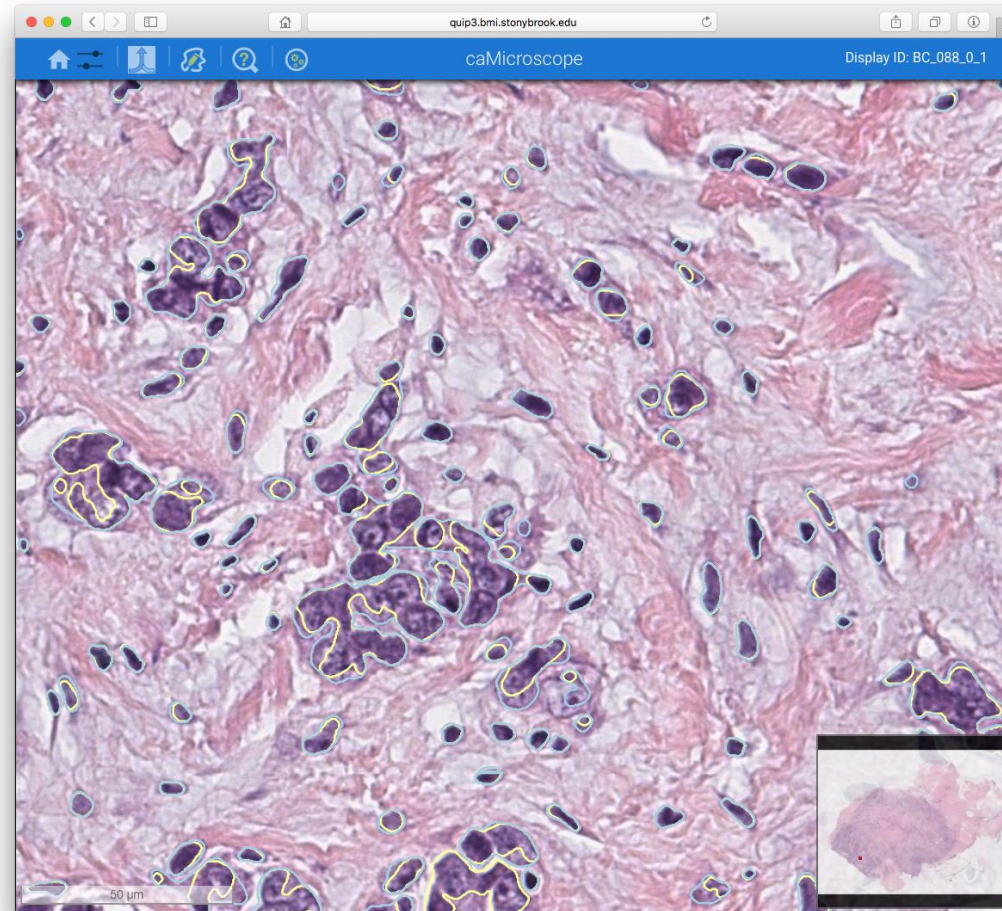


Curation Tool for Nuclear Segmentation Results

- Motivated by sensitivity of analysis methods to input parameters
- Used in SEER Virtual Repository Pilot/Project

Analysis Sensitivity: Generating Imaging Feature Sets

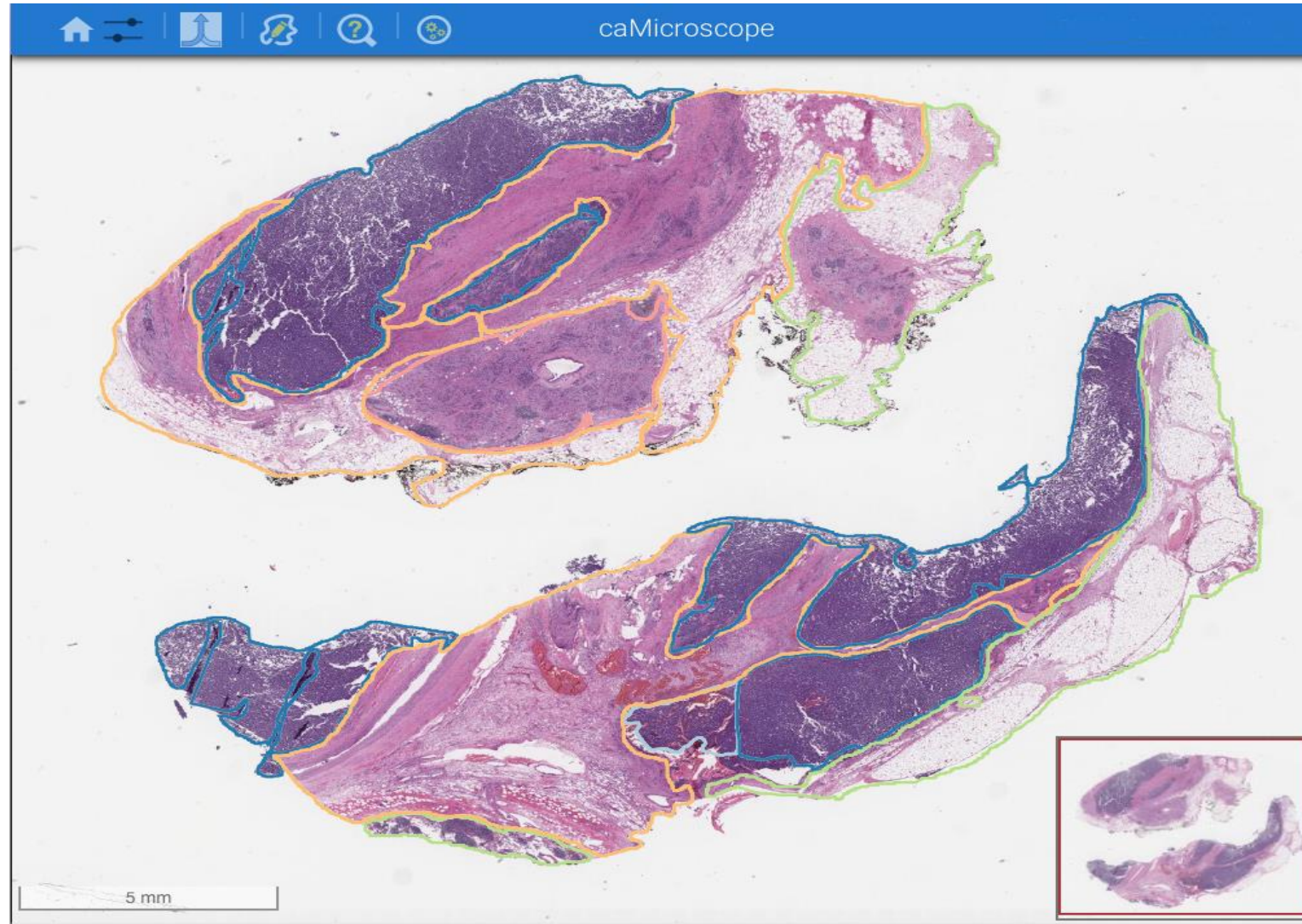
- Image analysis pipelines are sensitive to input parameters



Generating Robust Feature Sets

- Run multiple analyses
- Store, index, interact with results
- Curation: Visual comparison and selection of results

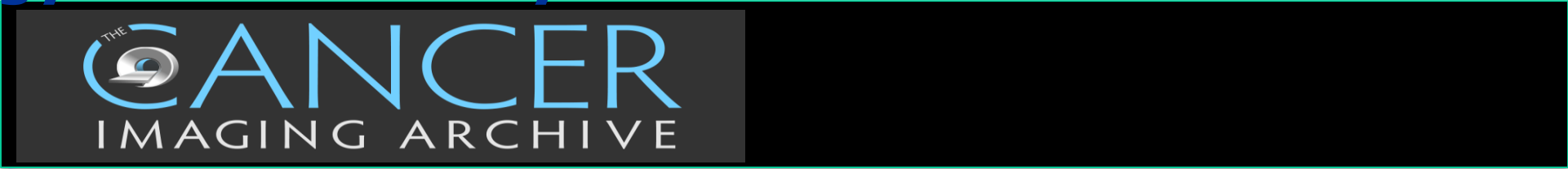
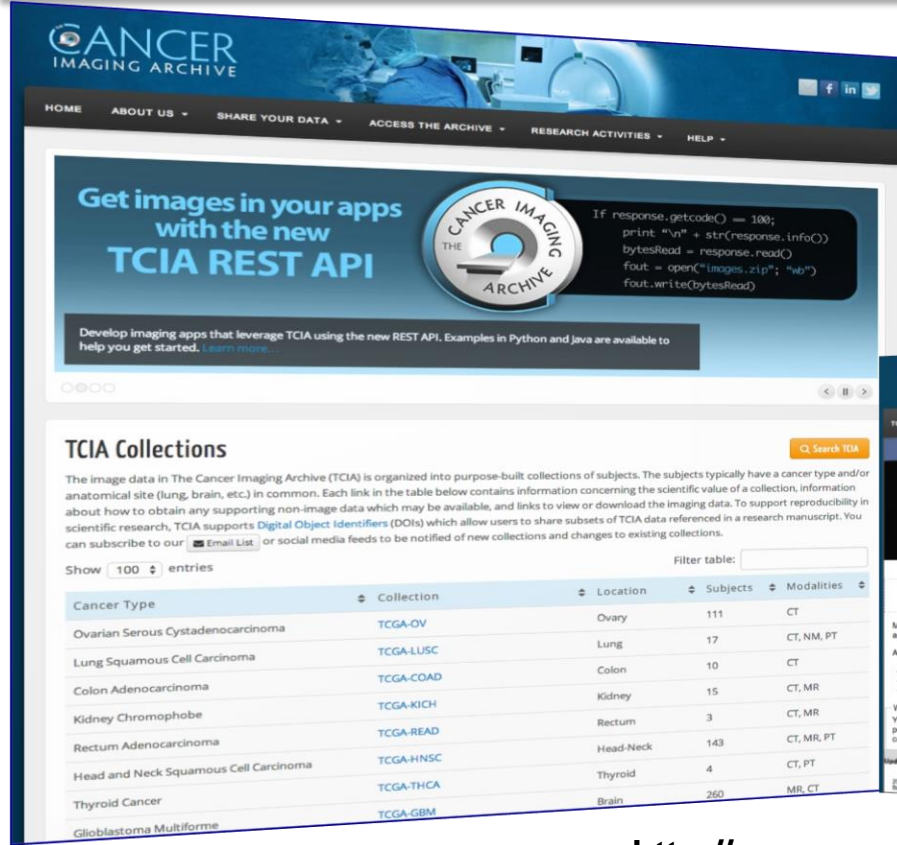
Segmentation Results Curation Tool



Methods and tools for integrating pathomics data into cancer registries - UG3CA225021 Saltz, Sharma, Foran and Durban

- Enhance SEER registry data with machine learning based classifications and quantitative pathomics feature sets.
- The New Jersey State Cancer Registry, Georgia and Kentucky State Cancer Registries
- Prostate Cancer, Lymphoma and NSCLC
- Repository of high-quality digitized pathology images for subjects whose data is being collected by the registries.
- Extract computational features and establish deep linkages with registry data, thus enabling the creation of information-rich, population cohorts containing objective imaging and clinical attributes

Cancer Imaging Archive – Integration of Pathology and Radiology for Community Clinical Studies

Get images in your apps with the new TCIA REST API

```

    IF response.getStatusCode() == 100;
    print "\n" + str(response.info())
    bytesRead = response.read()
    fout = open("images.zip", "wb")
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Develop imaging apps that leverage TCIA using the new REST API. Examples in Python and Java are available to help you get started. [Learn more.](#)

TCIA Collections

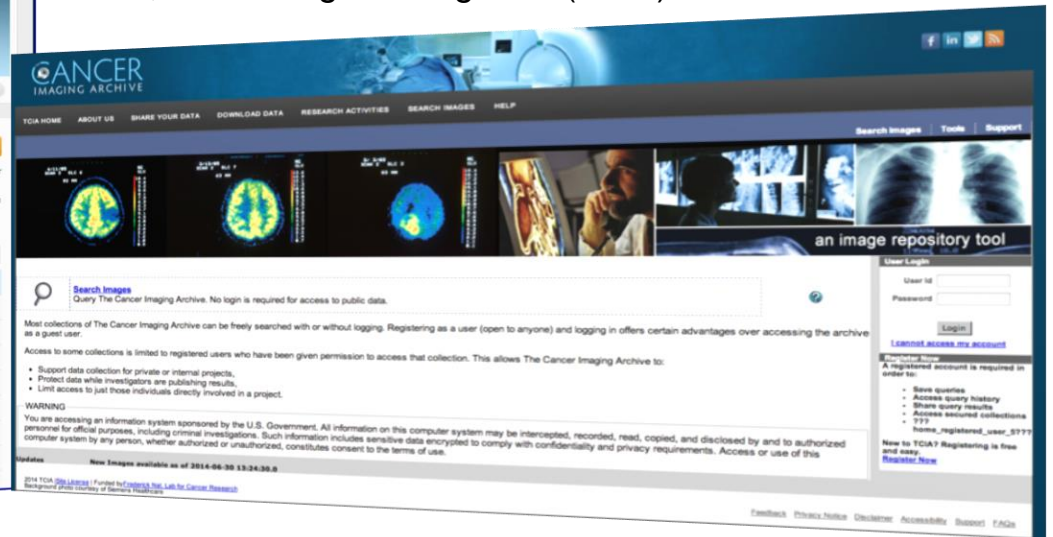
The image data in The Cancer Imaging Archive (TCIA) is organized into purpose-built collections of subjects. The subjects typically have a cancer type and/or anatomical site (lung, brain, etc.) in common. Each link in the table below contains information concerning the scientific value of a collection, information about how to obtain any supporting non-image data which may be available, and links to view or download the imaging data. To support reproducibility in scientific research, TCIA supports Digital Object Identifiers (DOIs) which allow users to share subsets of TCIA data referenced in a research manuscript. You can subscribe to our [Email List](#) or social media feeds to be notified of new collections and changes to existing collections.

Show entries Filter table:

Cancer Type	Collection	Location	Subjects	Modalities
Ovarian Serous Cystadenocarcinoma	TCGA-OV	Ovary	111	CT
Lung Squamous Cell Carcinoma	TCGA-LUSC	Lung	17	CT, NM, PT
Colon Adenocarcinoma	TCGA-COAD	Colon	10	CT
Kidney Chromophobe	TCGA-KICH	Kidney	15	CT, MR
Rectum Adenocarcinoma	TCGA-READ	Rectum	3	CT, MR
Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma	TCGA-HNSC	Head-Neck	143	CT, MR, PT
Thyroid Cancer	TCGA-THCA	Thyroid	4	CT, PT
Glioblastoma Multiforme	TCGA-GBM	Brain	260	MR, CT

TCIA encourages and supports the cancer imaging open science community by hosting and managing **Findable Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable (FAIR)** images and related data.

Clark, et al. J Digital Imag 26.6 (2013): 1045-1057.



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- Share query results
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TCIA sustainment and scalability

Platforms for quantitative imaging informatics in precision medicine

Prior, Saltz, Sharma -- U24CA215109-01

- Identify quantitative imaging phenotypes across scale through the use of Radiomic/Pathomic analyses
- Well-curated data for algorithm testing and validation.
- Integrative Radiology/Pathology Image-Omics studies
- Extend TCIA to support its rapidly growing user community and continue to promote research reproducibility and data reuse in cancer precision medical research.

Quantitative Imaging in Pathology (QuIP) Platform

- Software: https://github.com/SBU-BMI/quip_distro.git
- Containerized, service oriented
- Several key services are available
- Actively developed
 - More services and applications are being developed

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