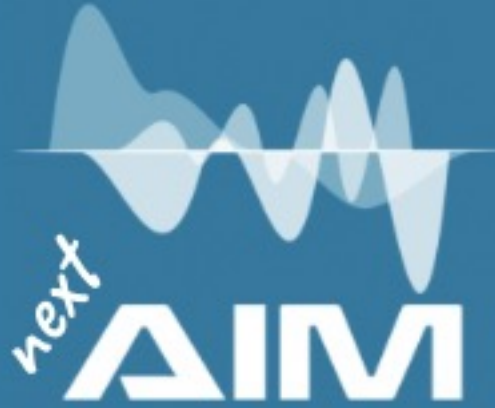


Artificial
Intelligence in
Medicine



Nuclear Neuroimaging Quantification and Radiomics



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WP3. Applications to real data

*Nuclear Neuroimaging Quantification and Radiomics [GE, BO, **LNS**]*

*AI-assisted quantification and predictive models on PET and SPECT scans, acquired on the **brain district**.*

Focus on neurodegenerative diseases (Alzheimer, Parkinson, Multiple Sclerosis) and **oncological applications**.

Available data: EADC amyloid-PET dataset, ADNI dataset, IRCCS S. Martino (GE), HUG (Geneve, CH), AIMN clinical dataset, Collaboration with **Cannizzaro Hospital of Catania and Giglio Hospital of Cefalù**.



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PET, MRI, and CT Radiomics analyses (**13**)

PET, MRI, and CT Image Segmentation (**11**)

PET

Clinical Collaborations



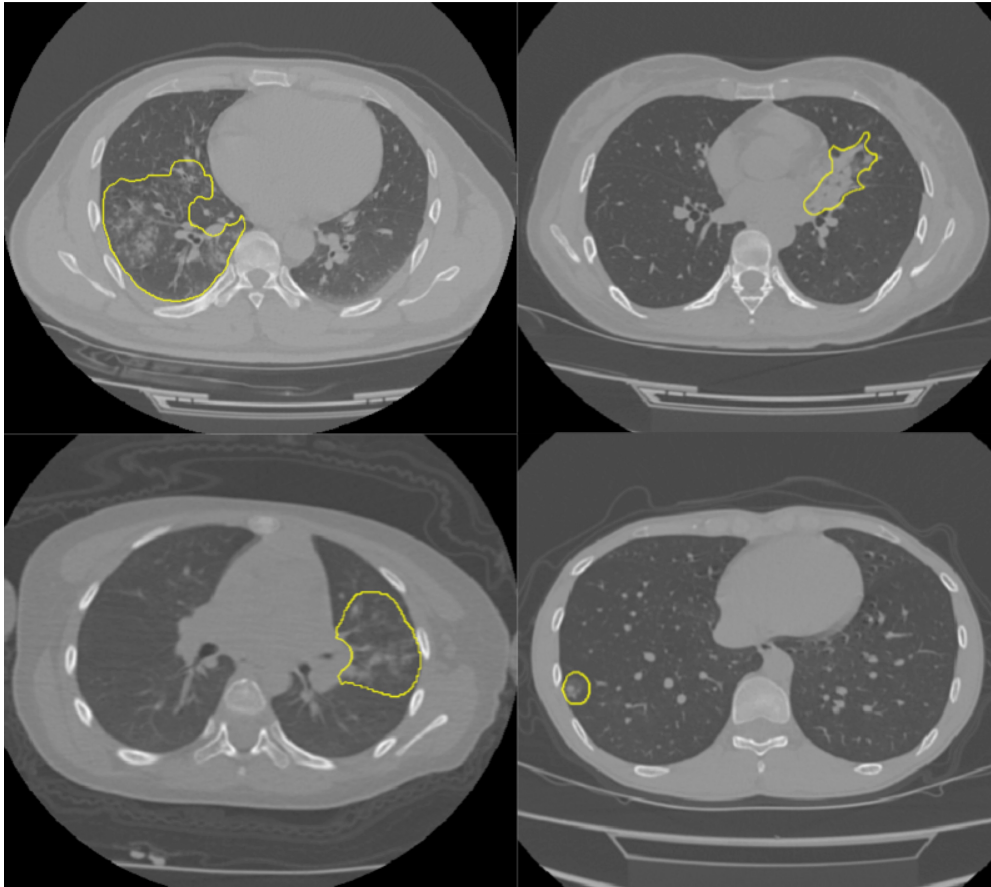
CT and MRI



COVID-19 Lung CT Lesion Segmentation Challenge - 2020 (COVID-19-20)



ENDORSED EVENT



Our team participated in the COVID-19 LUNG CT LESION SEGMENTATION CHALLENGE (COVID-19-20), organized by the Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention Society.

It was an international challenge for the development of artificial intelligence (AI) algorithms for the segmentation and quantification of lung lesions caused by SARS-CoV-2 infection from multicenter, multinational, and patients of different age, gender, and disease severity.

The challenge committee assessed the performance of the algorithms by comparing their results with actual diagnoses.

The customized ENet algorithm proposed by our group was ranked first in Italy.



Article

Customized Efficient Neural Network for COVID-19 Infected Region Identification in CT Images

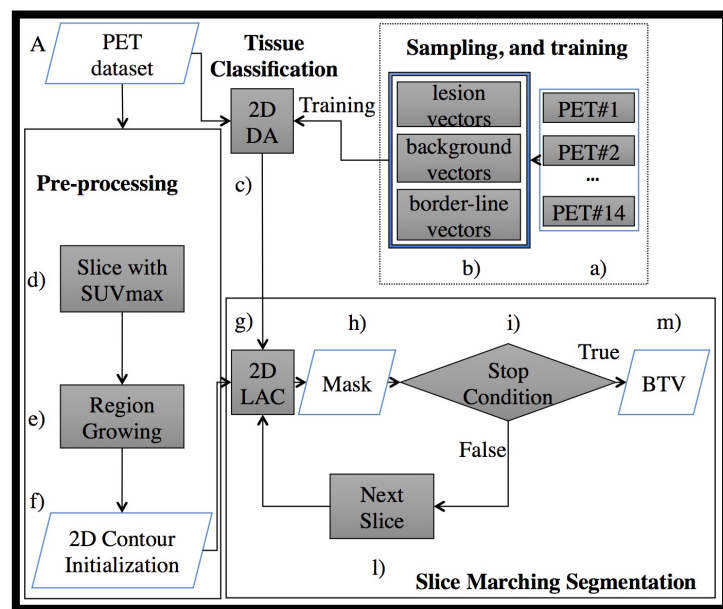
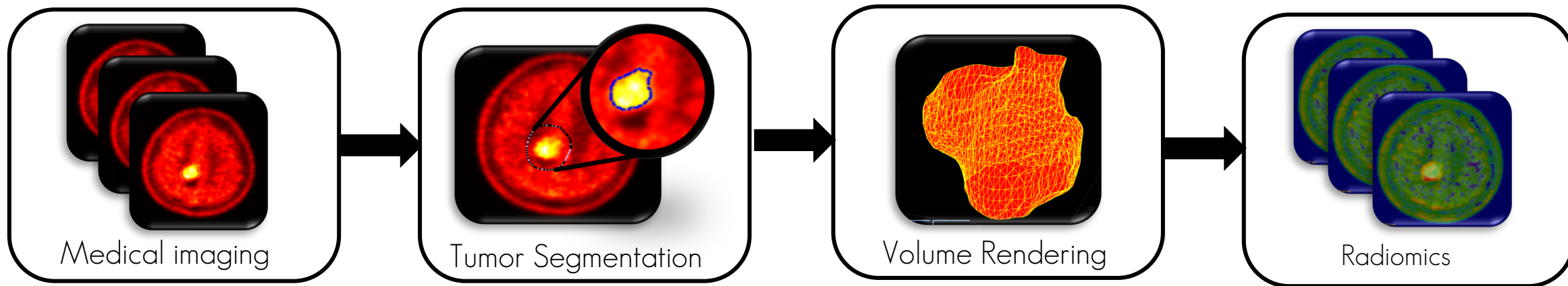
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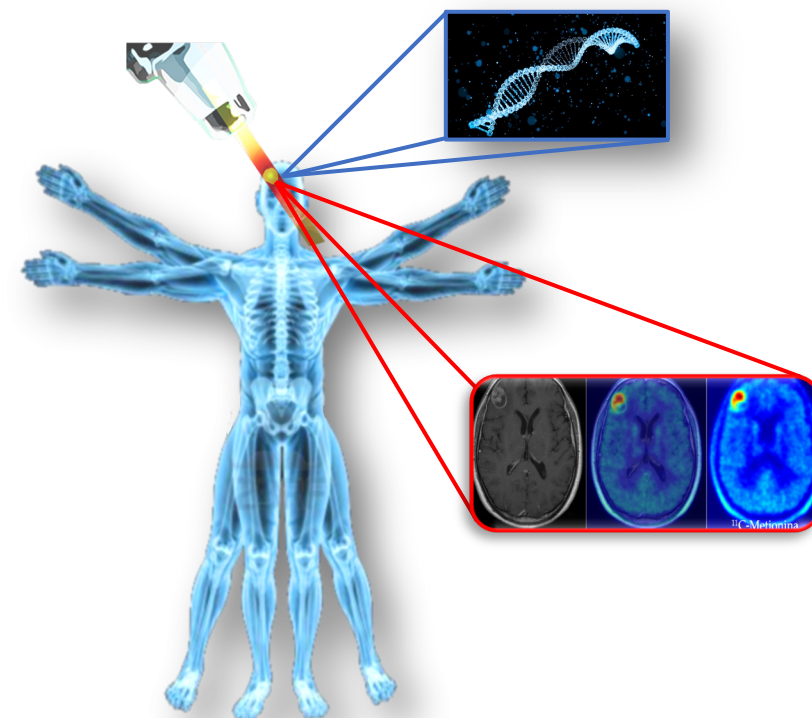
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Abstract: Background: In the field of biomedical imaging, radiomics is a promising approach that aims to provide quantitative features from images. It is highly dependent on accurate identification and delineation of the volume of interest to avoid mistakes in the implementation of the texture-based prediction model. In this context, we present a customized deep learning approach aimed at addressing the real-time, and fully automated identification and segmentation of COVID-19 infected regions in computed tomography images. Methods: In a previous study, we adopted ENET, a state-of-the-art feature segmentation technique, to identify and segment COVID-19 infected regions in CT images. In this study, we propose a customized deep learning approach aimed at addressing the real-time, and fully automated identification and segmentation of COVID-19 infected regions in CT images.



Intelligent systems with machine learning components to “mimic” how a human would perform complex operations



Seminario



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Image Processing for Medical Decision Support System

Human eyes are not always able to detect and interpret complex patterns in bio-medical images. Considering the need to make rapid clinical decisions, quantitative methods to analyze bio-images are mandatory in clinical environment.

Two approaches in terms of High-Resolution Computed Tomography (HRCT) and Positron Emission Tomography (PET) image analysis will be presented:

- Radiomics in idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis and lung cancer
- A smart and operator independent system to delineate tumors in PET studies

These approaches are used as a Medical Decision Support System to enhance the current daily methodology performed by healthcare operators.



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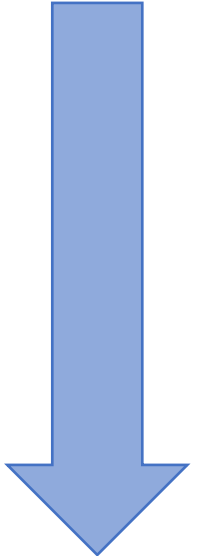
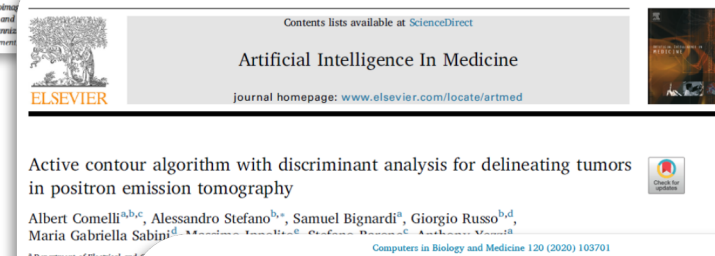
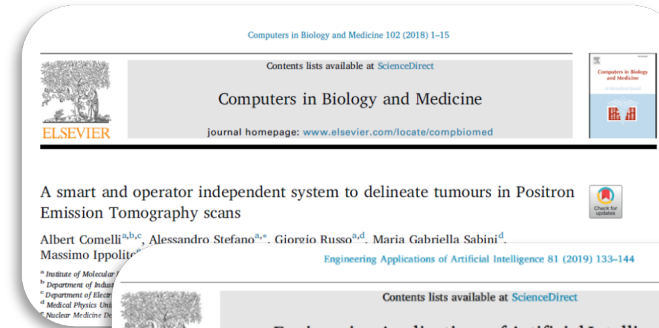


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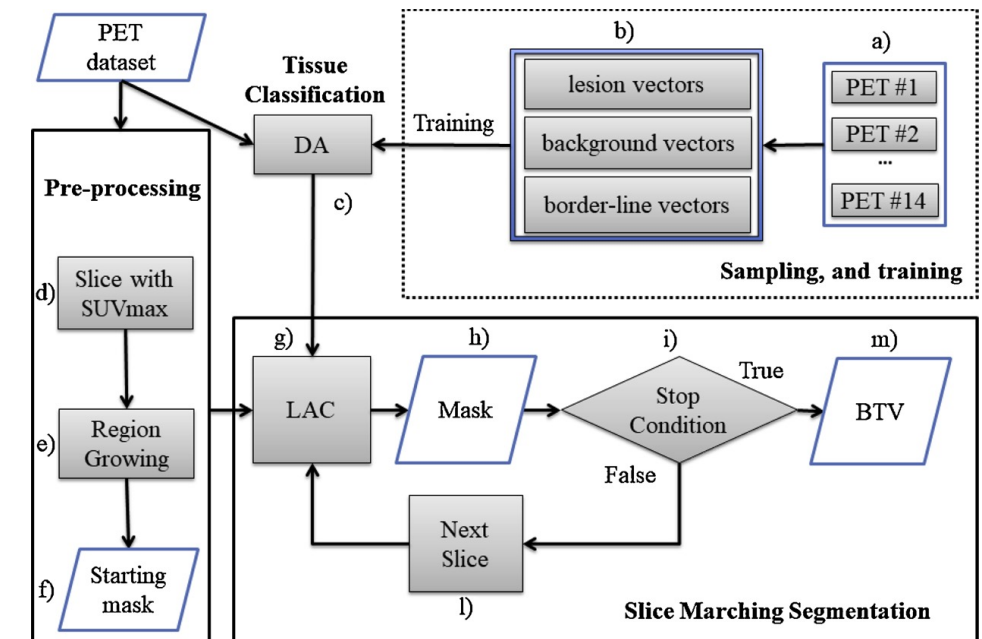
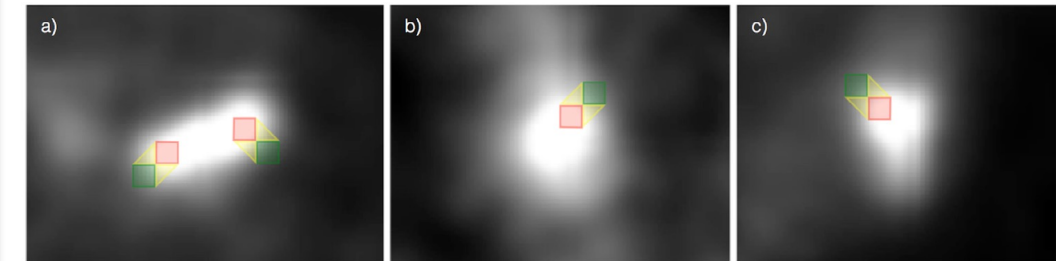
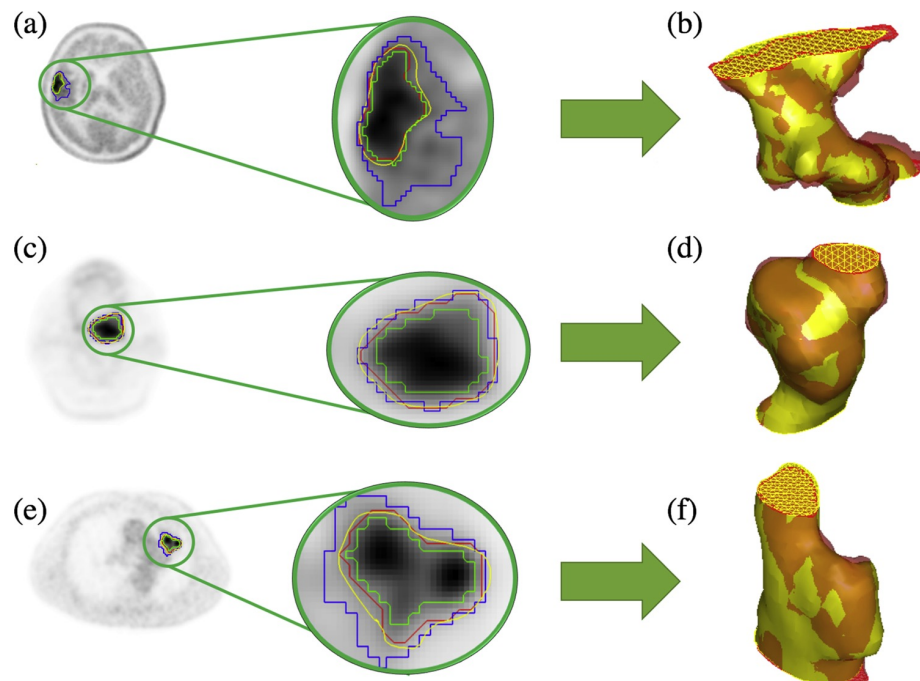




Active contour algorithm with discriminant analysis for delineating tumors in positron emission tomography

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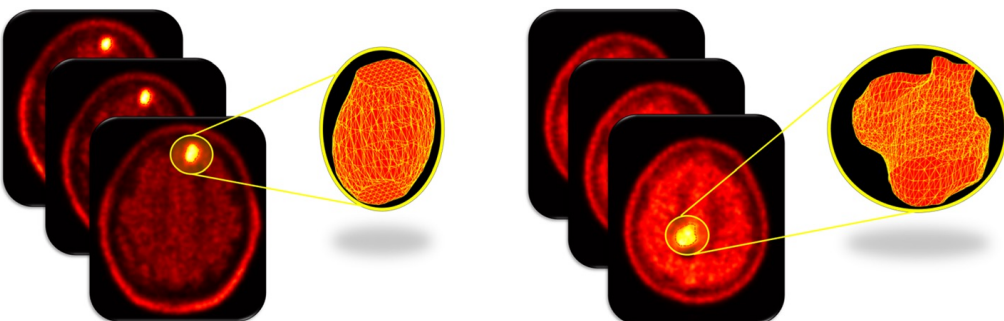
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A preliminary PET radiomics study of brain metastases using a fully automatic segmentation method



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- 31 patients underwent L- [11C]methionine (11C-MET) PET
- Radiomics analysis to stratify between patients who respond to treatment or not.



- Three selected features (accuracy 78.27%)
Follow-up study: Eight selected features (accuracy 86.57%)



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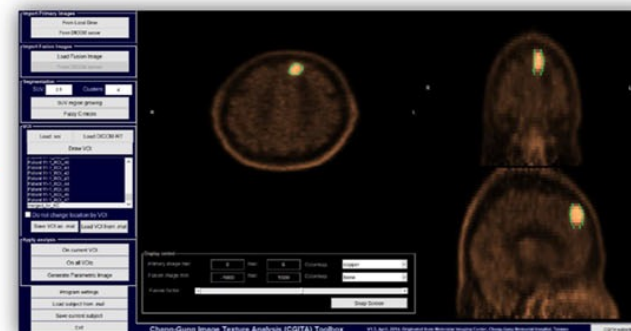
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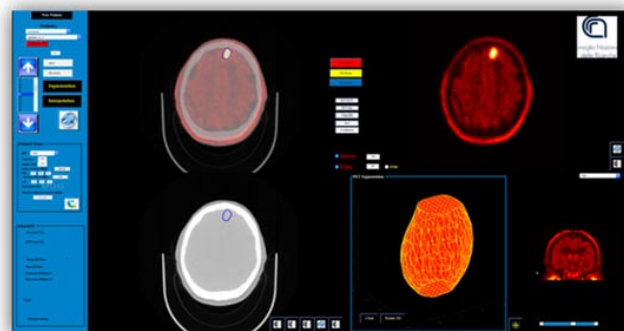
Hybrid descriptive-inferential method for key feature selection in prostate cancer radiomics

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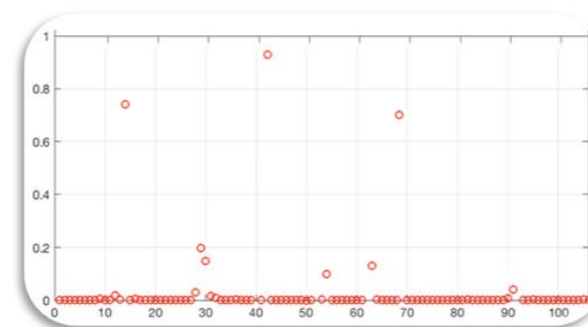
Feature extraction using CGITA tool



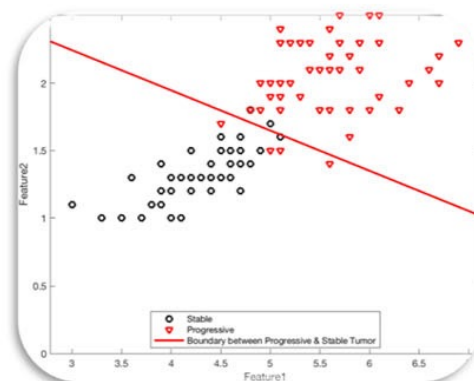
Automatic BTV segmentation using our tool



Feature reduction and selection using the proposed approach

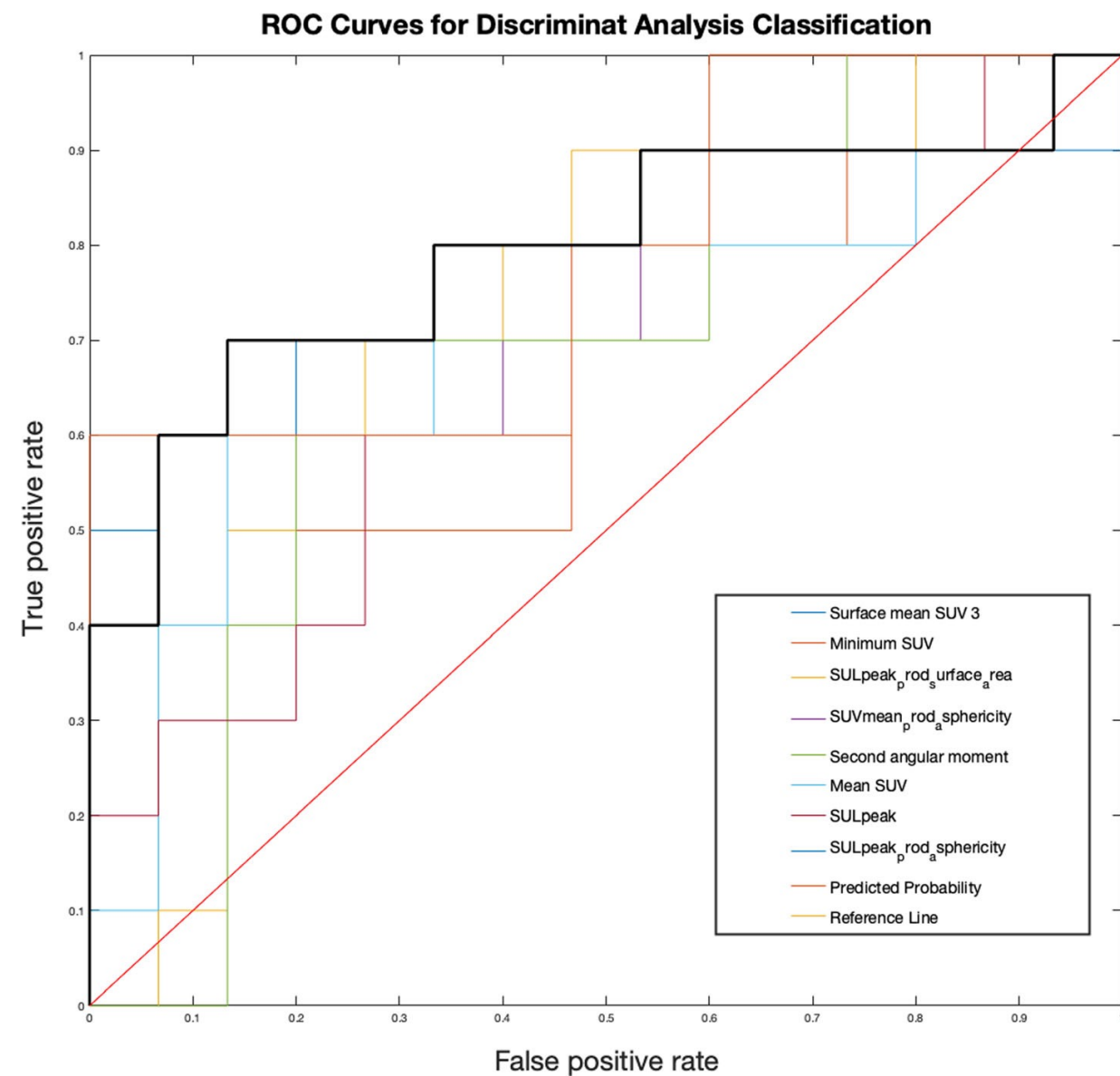
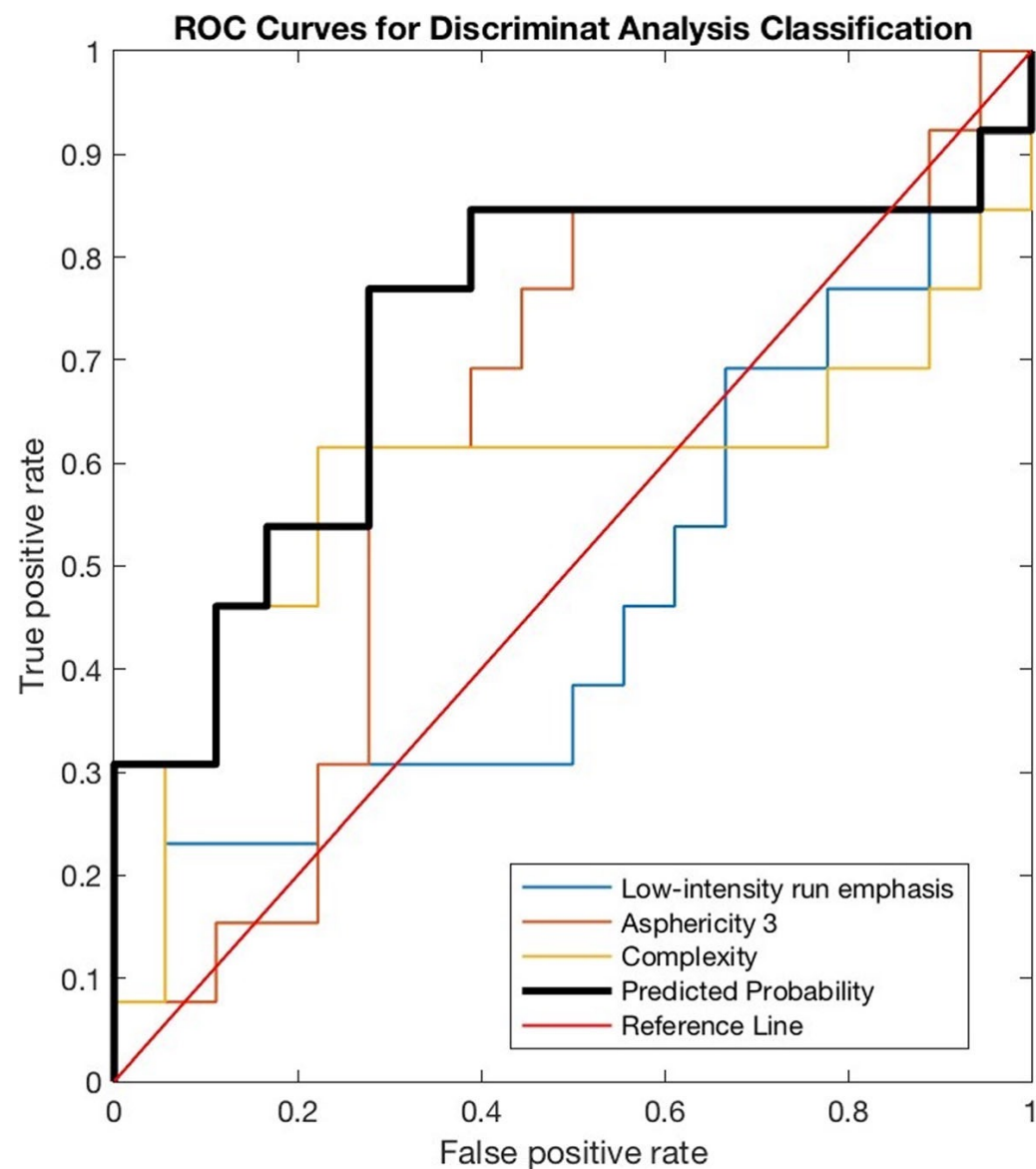


Feature classification using DA approach



Development of a new fully three-dimensional methodology for tumours delineation in functional images

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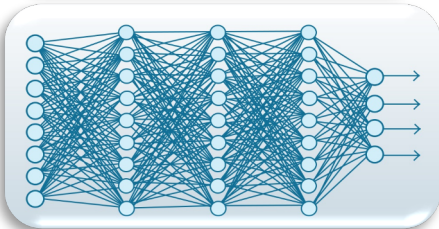
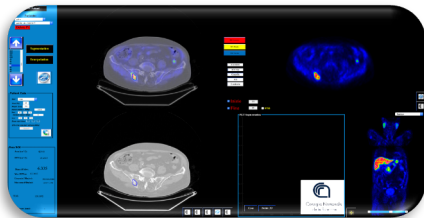
- Increase the number of cases



Deep learning



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Output



A new radiomics tool
in collaboration with Sapienza University



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