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ALMIGHT PROJECT

Image Registration

> ROI individuation and automatic segmentation

RESEARCH: FAST TOOL TO CREATE A **DATABASE FOR TPS** IMPROVEMENT





CLINICAL: SPEED UP & AID PHYSICIANS TO SEGMENT ROIS





The Cancer Imaging Archive



We chose the images with a corresponding RTSTRUCT

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GBM	H&N
230	1934
>103	171



DEEP LEARNING MODEL nnUNet



Isensee, F., Jaeger, P. F., Kohl, S. A., Petersen, J., & Maier-Hein, K. H. (2021). nnU-Net: a self-configuring method for deep learning-based biomedical image segmentation. Nature methods, 18(2), 203-211.

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IMAGE PREPROCESSING

Bounding Box Algorithm





TRAIN SET (80

1547

TRAIN SET (80

184

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HEAD & NECK

%)	TEST SET (20 %)	
	387	

GLIOBLASTOMA MULTIFORME

)%)	TEST SET (20 %)	
	46	





Predicted Volume

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EVALUATION COEFFICIENTS

Ground Truth

COEFFICIENTS RESULTS

HEAD & NECK

GLIOBLASTOMA MULTIFORME

TREATMENT PLANNING SYSTEM

INPUT: SEGMENTED ROIS

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OUTPUT: DOSIMETRIC CALCULATION

GLIOBLASTOMA MULTIFORME

BODY+GTV+OAR

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CT + GTV + OAR

MCNP Voxelized Geometry

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DC=0.82 GMI=0.198, DI=0.152

AI for BNCT

ISODOSE CURVES GROUND TRUTH

Isoeffective dose model

González, S.J. and Cruz, G.A.S., 2012. The photonisoeffective dose in boron neutron capture therapy. Radiation research, 178(6), pp.609-621.

ISODOSE CURVES NN_SEGMENTATION

Minimum D Mean Dos Maximum **D**

	Manual Segmentation	AI Segmentation
Dose [Gy]	23.33	23.12
se [Gy]	28.03	28.39
Dose [Gy]	30.74	31.10

18 cases of GBM tumours studied with the TPS

Ongoing: evaluation of the TCP as a figure of merit to compare the results of the dosimetric calculations on the "True" segmentation and on the NN segmentation

Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare

- we opened a collaboration with Università della Campania Luigi Vanvitelli Radiation Oncology Department
- we are focusing on AI for the optimisation of the moderation system and for boron imaging
 - we are studying AI for image reconstruction for a real time imaging during treatment

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