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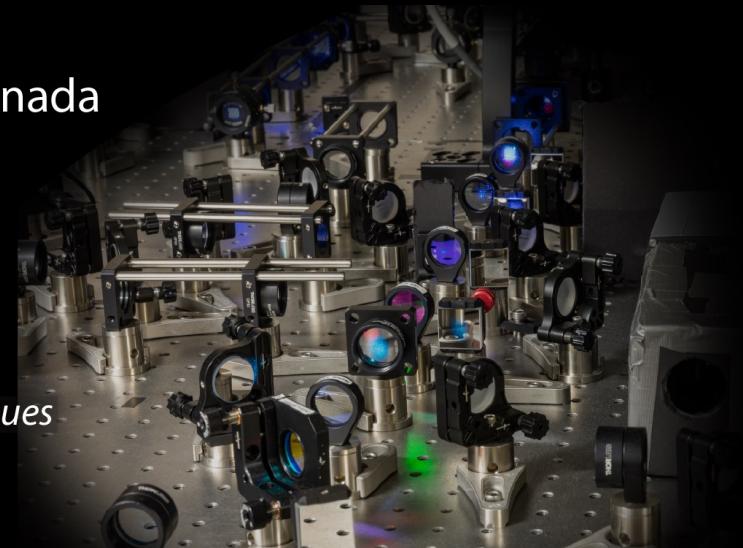
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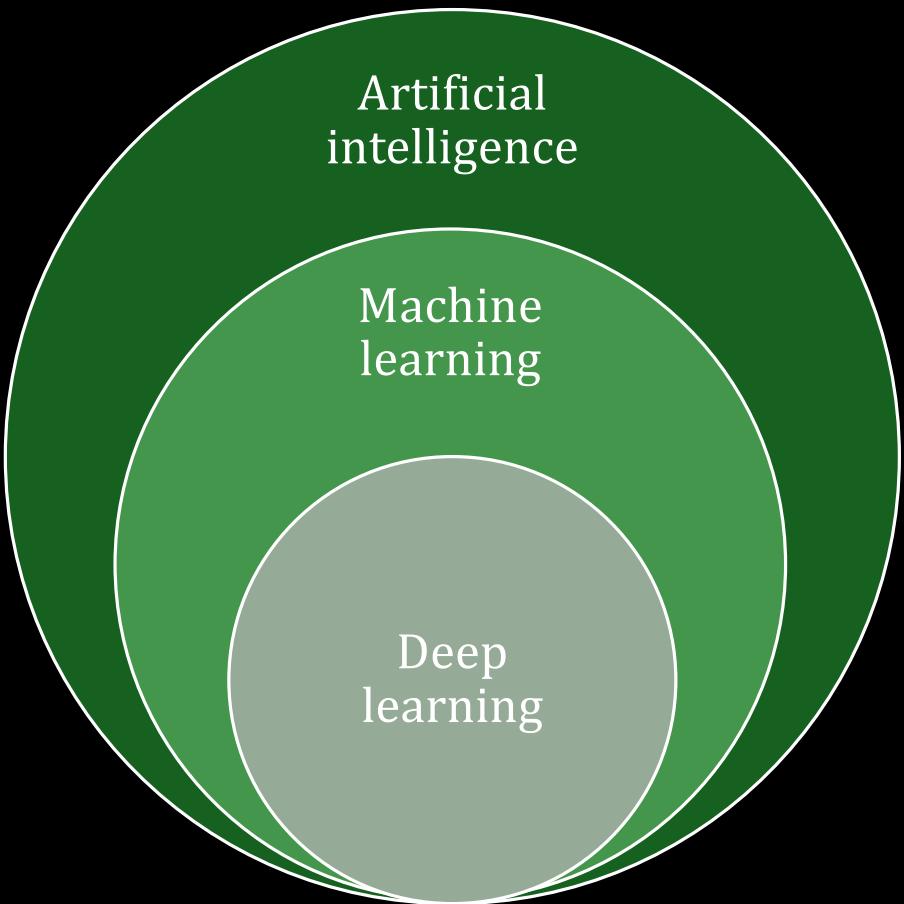
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Frontiers in Neurophotonics Summer School

A summer school on advanced optical imaging and photoactivation techniques

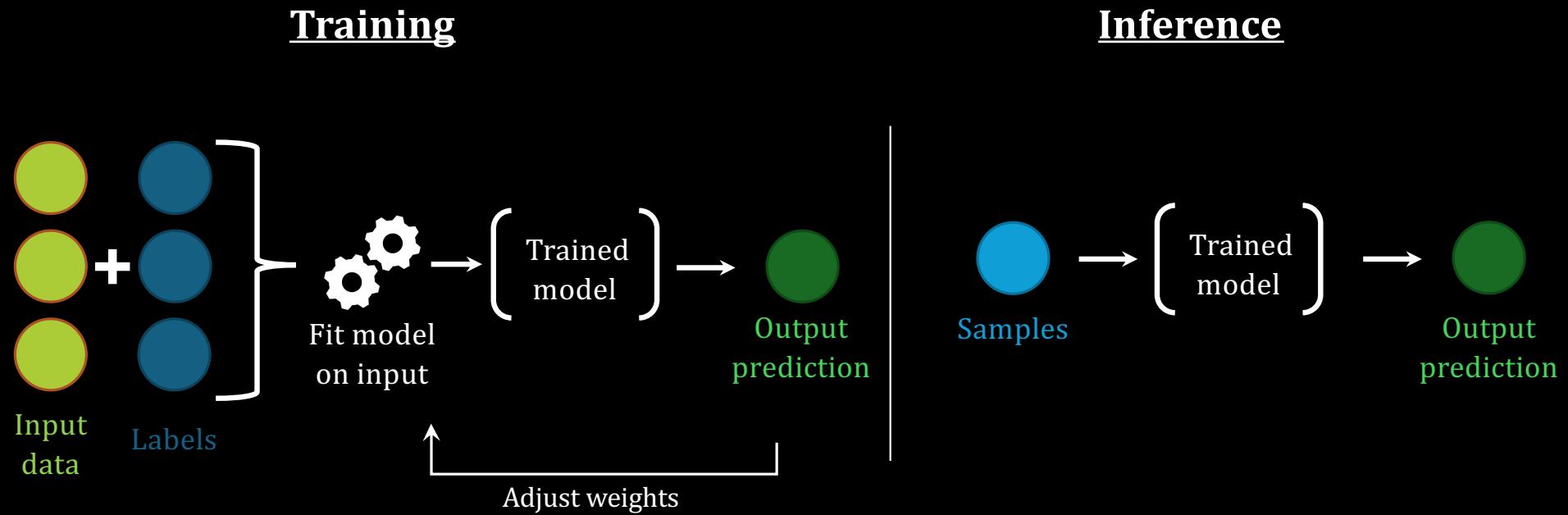




*Machine learning is programming computers
to optimize a performance criterion using
example data or past experience*
(Introduction to Machine Learning – Ethem Alpaydin)

What is machine learning?

- Algorithms that **learn** from **input data** to make **predictions** on **samples**



Terminology of Machine Learning

- **Features :**

- input variables – the way we represent our data
- e.g. words in an email text (spam recognition), structure on an image (edges, particular objects)

- **Labels/Annotations :**

- target that we try to predict
- e.g. spam or not spam, cat, dog, structure of interest

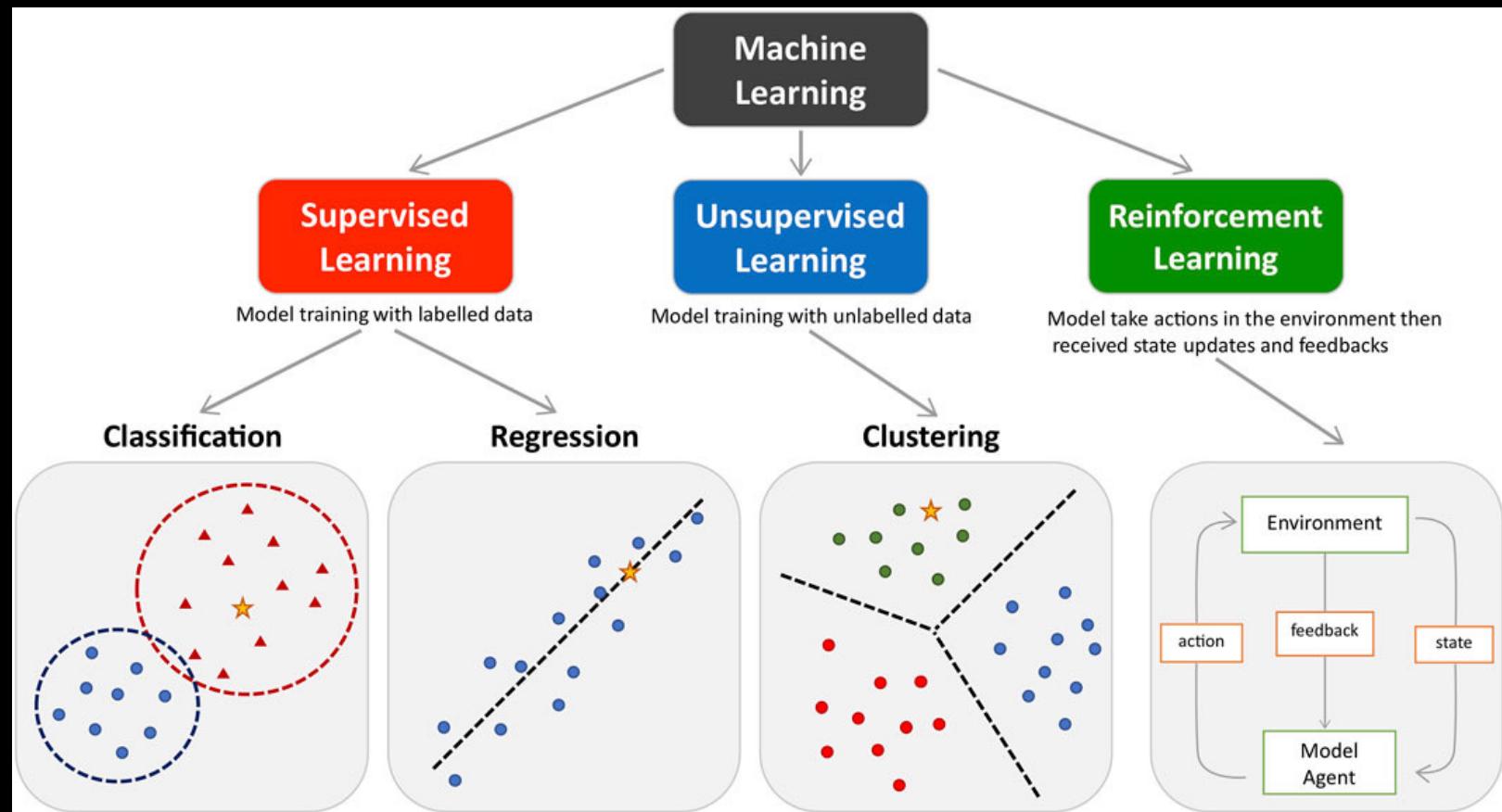
- **Example :**

- one piece of data
- Labeled or not labeled
- e.g. one image, one e-mail

- **Model :**

- Algorithm doing the predictions
- What we want to create by learning from data

Different machine learning strategies

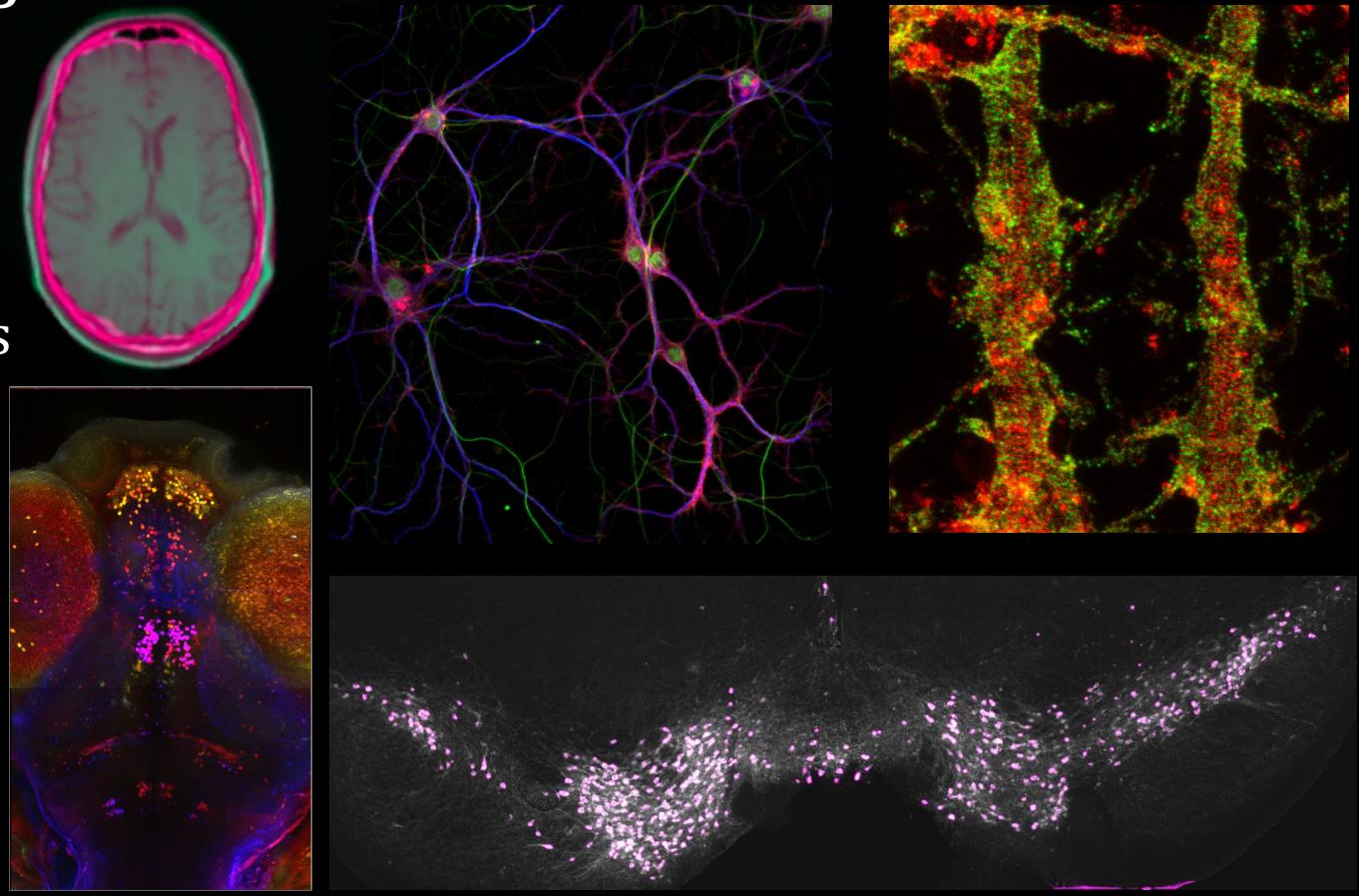


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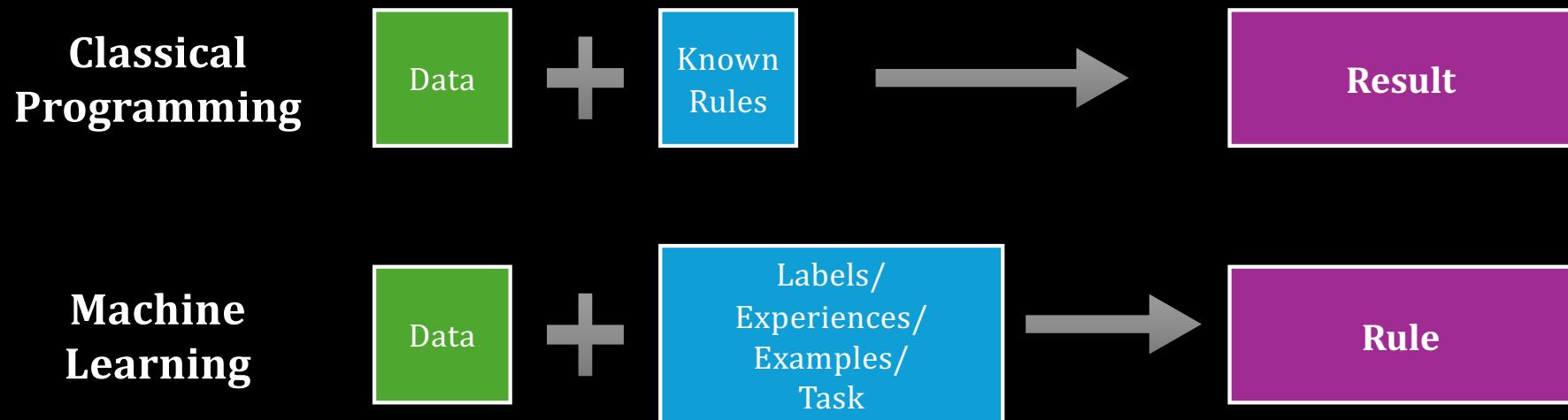


Quantitative & High Throughput Biomedical Image Analysis

- Different tasks
- Multiple approaches
- Multiple modalities
- Careful dataset generation



Classical vs ML data analysis approaches





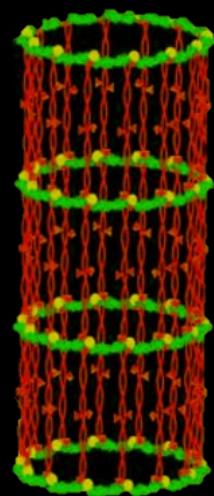
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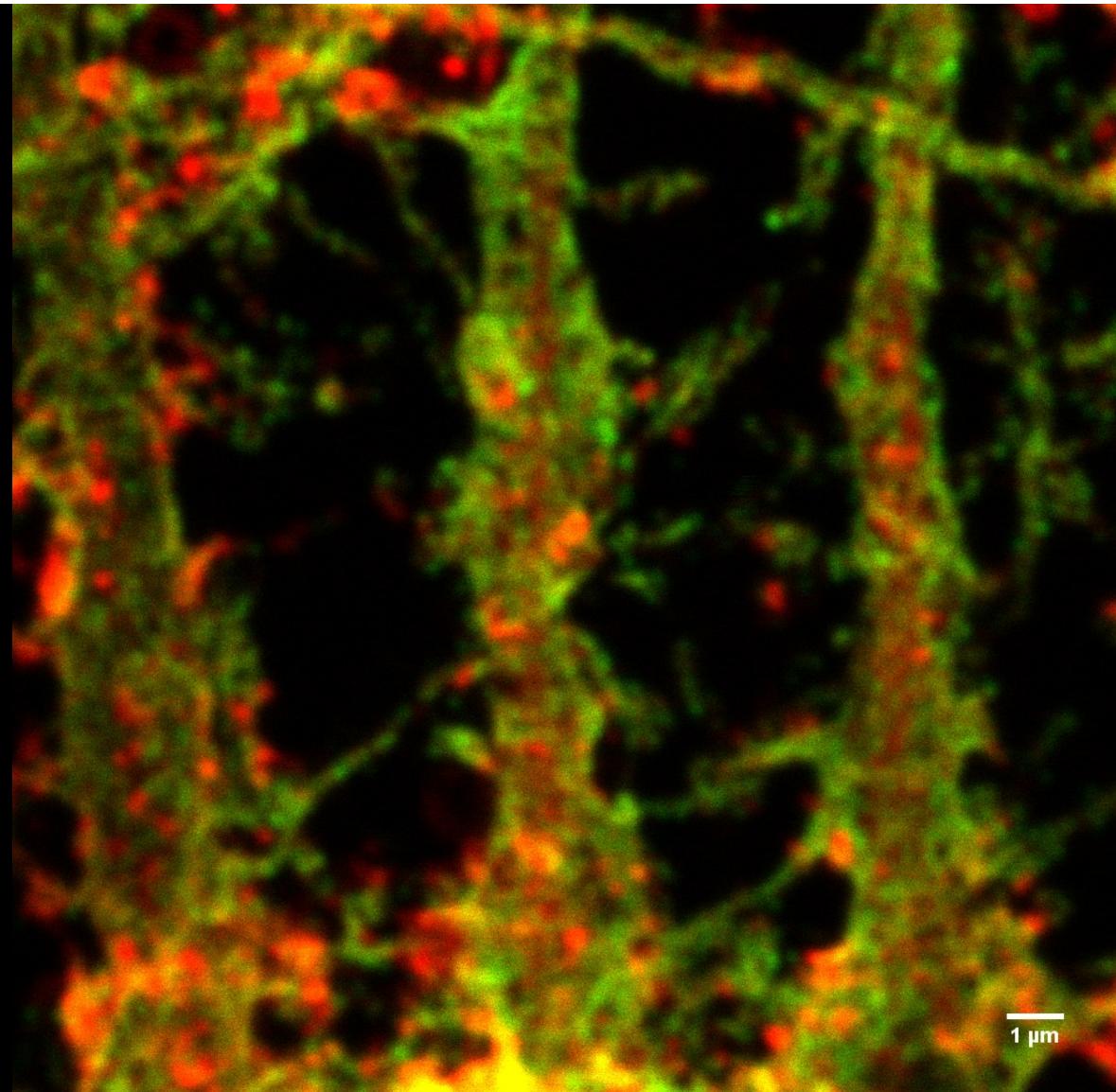
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Test case : detecting
nanoscopic
structures on super-
resolution images

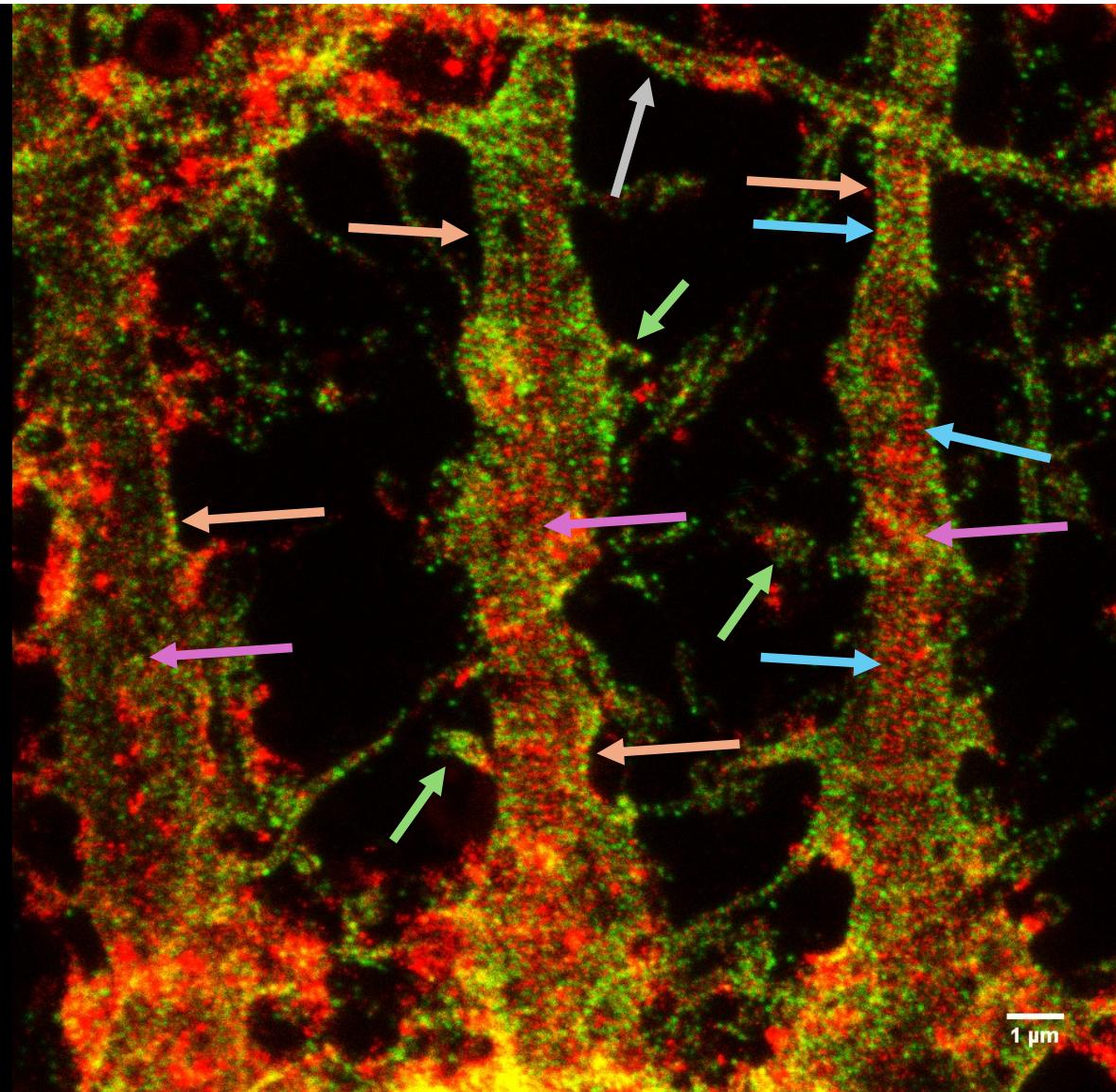


Actin
Spectrin



Features :

- Spine
- Spectrin rings
- Actin rings
- Dendrite
- Axon



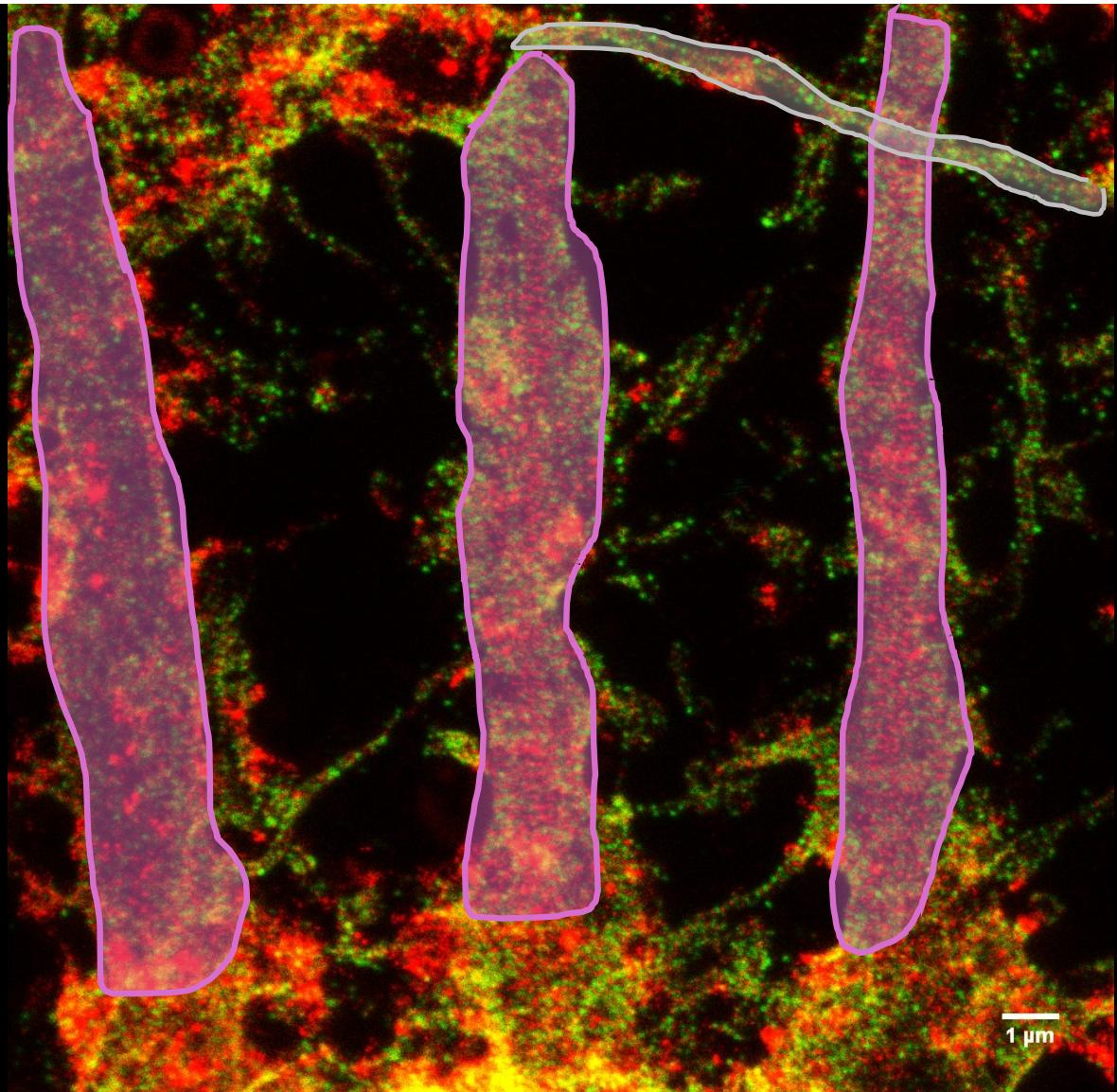
Labels :

A. Image tags

- Spine
- Spectrin rings
- Actin rings
- Dendrite
- Axon

B. Segmentation map

- Dendrite
- Axon



Models :

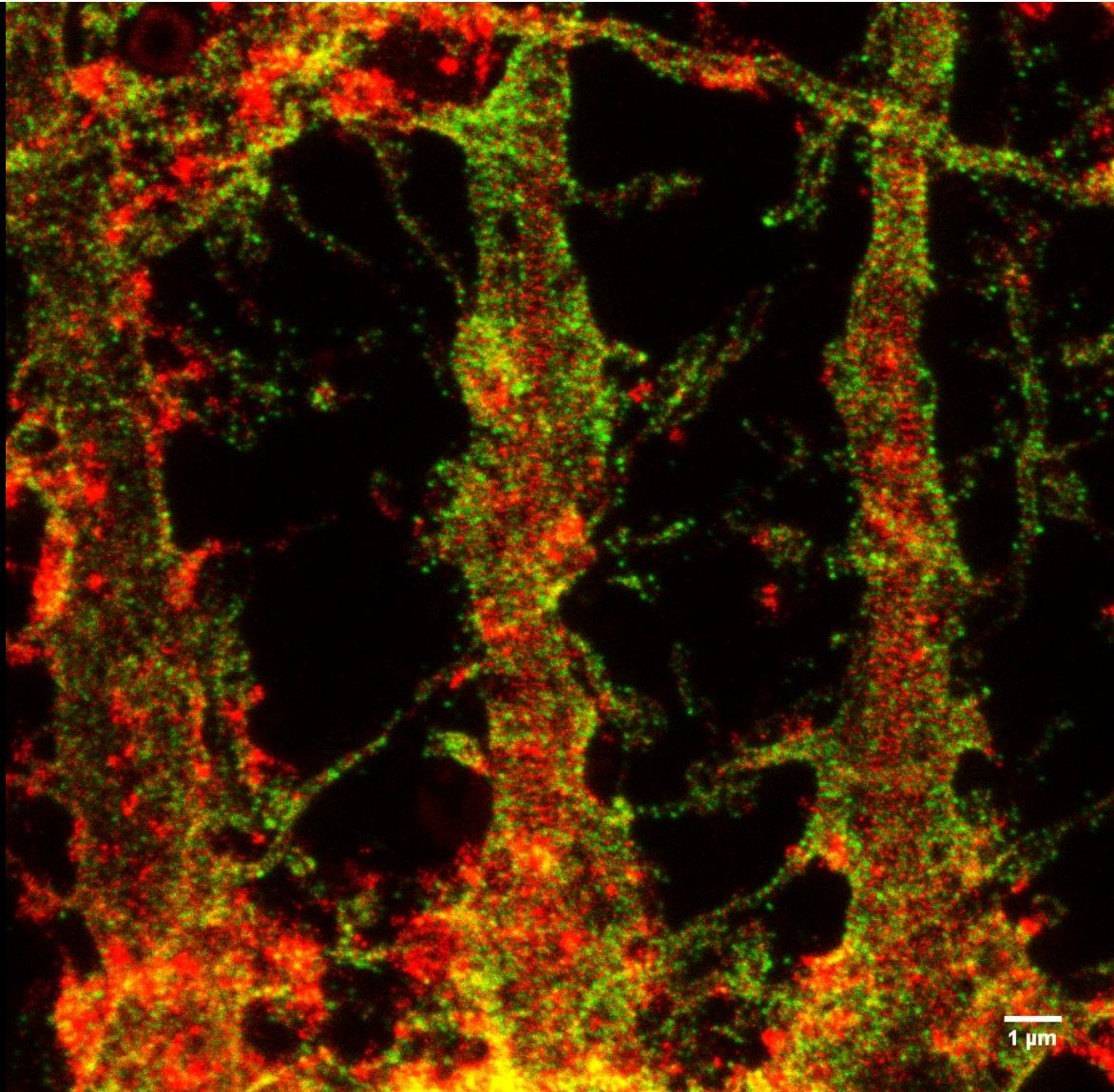
Defines the relationship between labels and features

1. Training :

- The model gradually learns to associate features (**F-actin rings and fibers**) and labels (**expert annotations**) by seeing many labeled examples (**images**)

2. Inference :

- Use the trained model to make useful predictions (on unlabeled examples)



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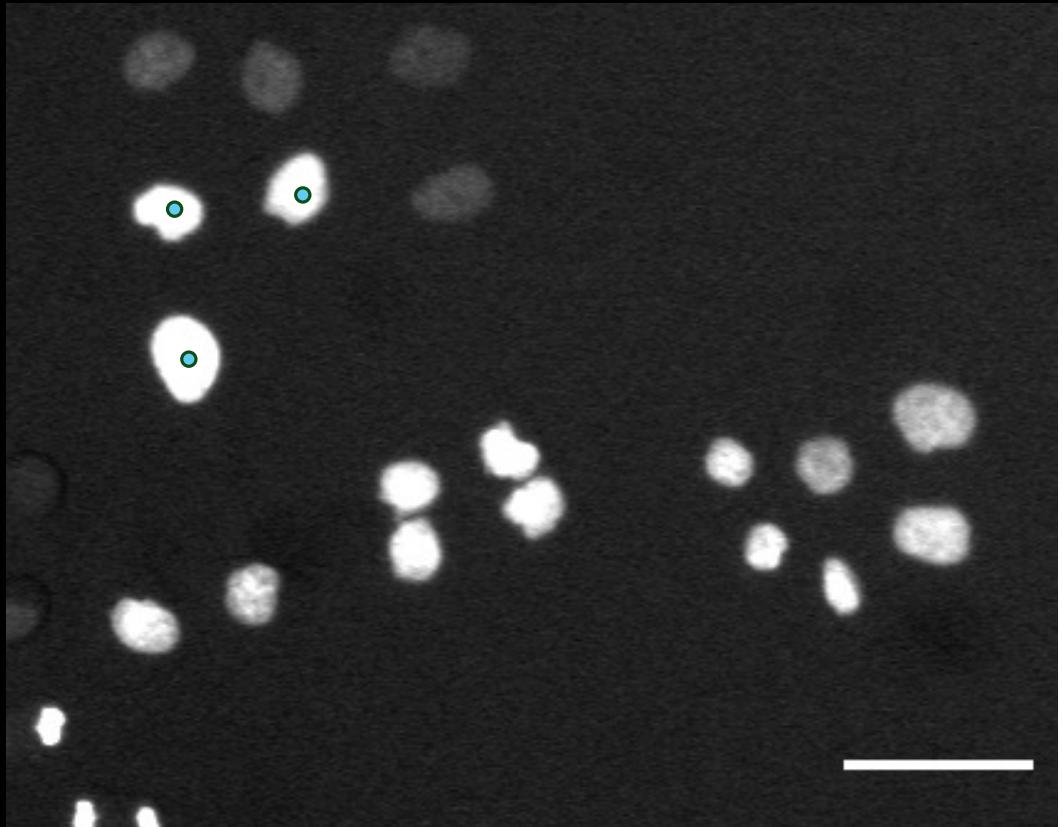
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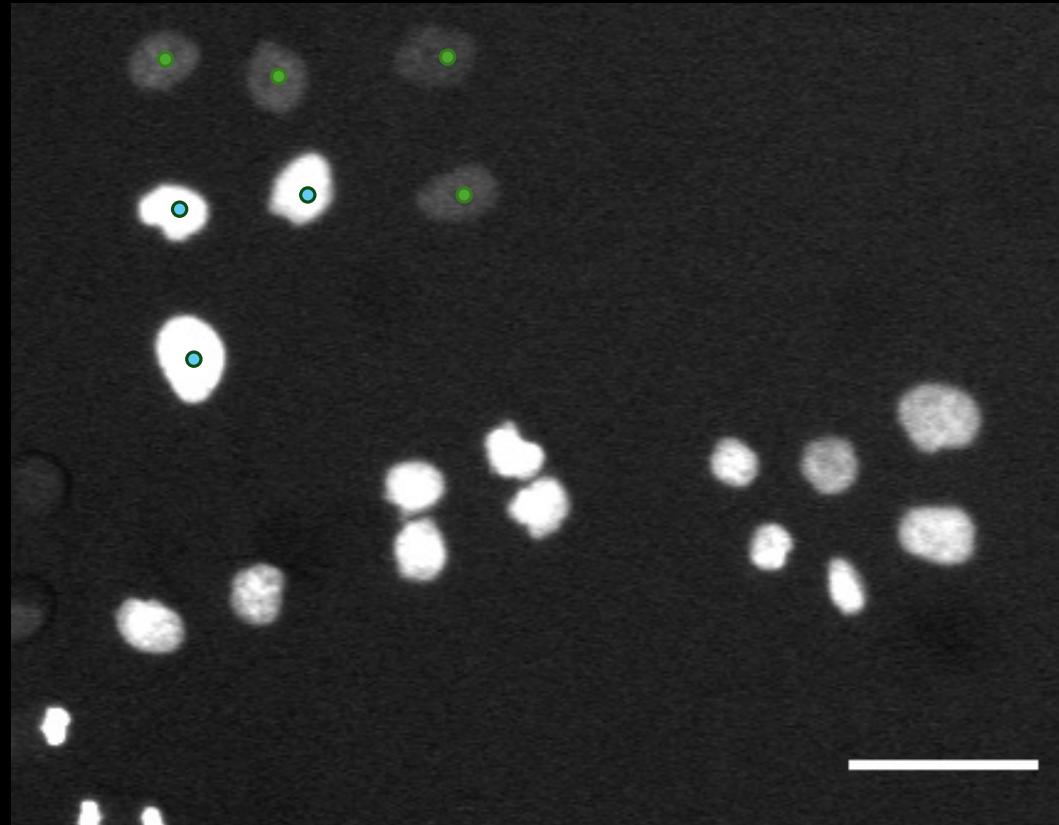
Common tasks

- Detection



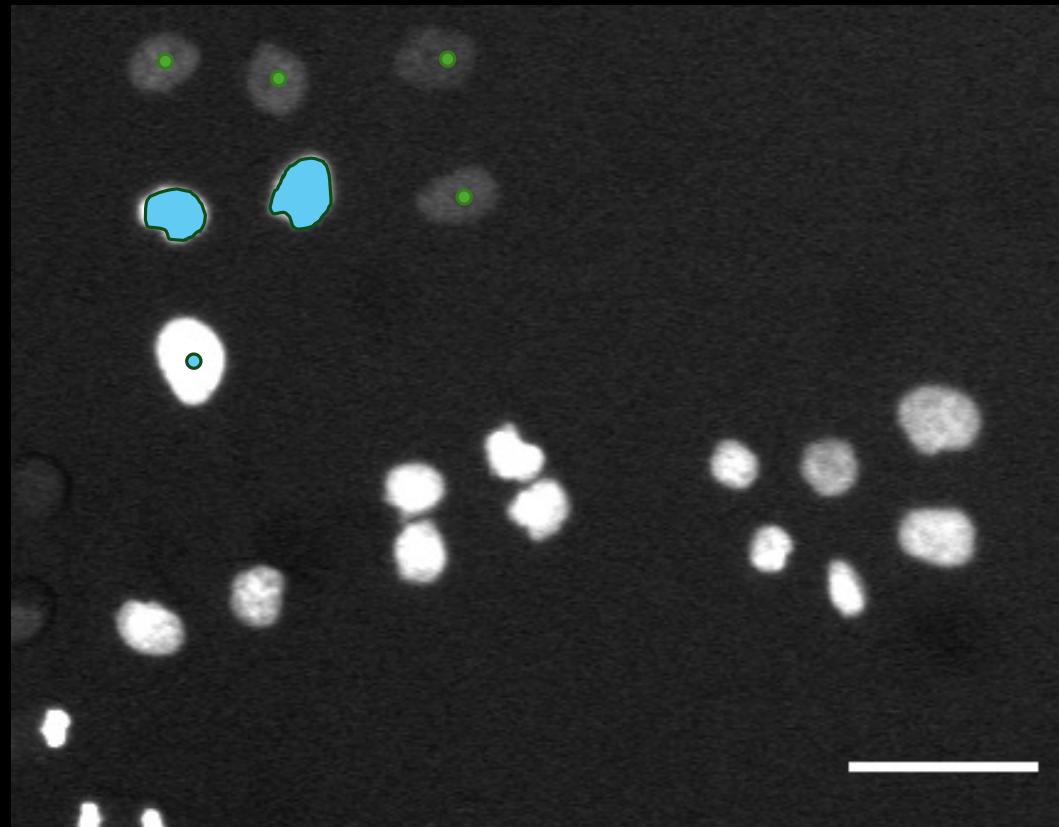
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- Classification



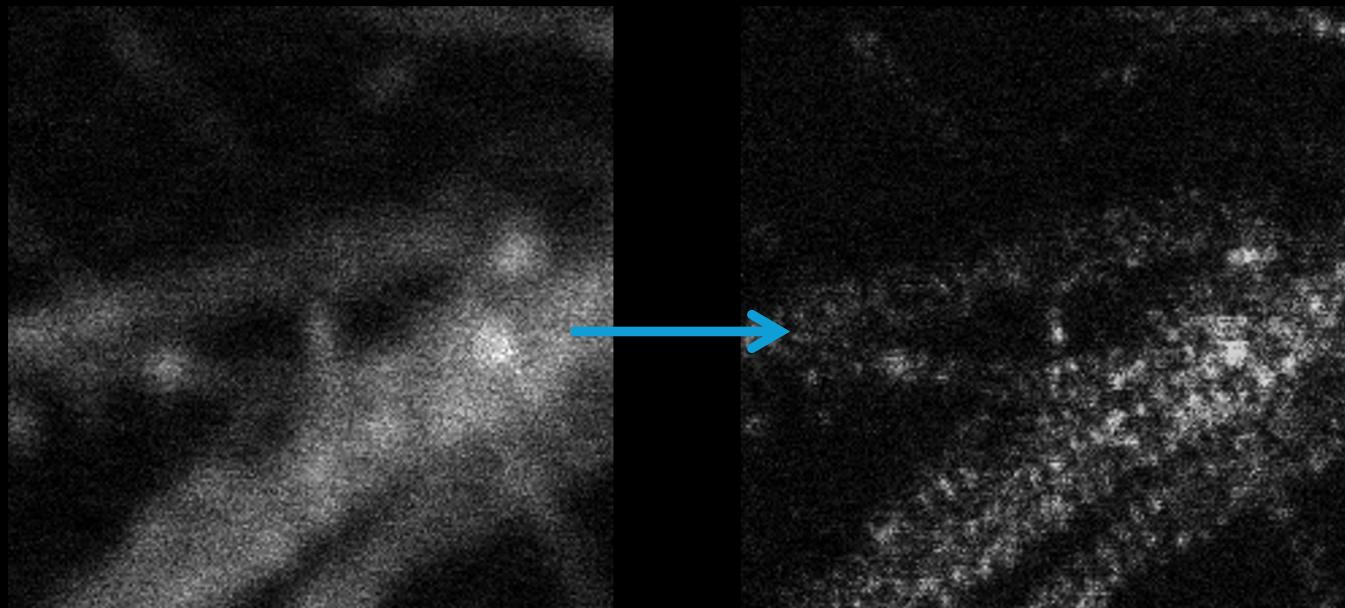
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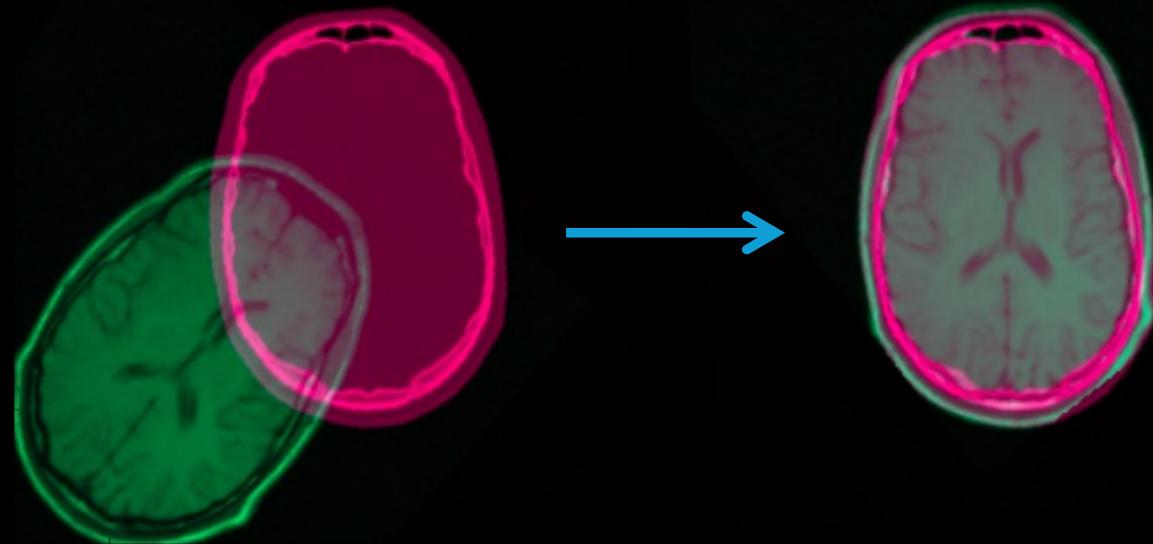
Common tasks

- Detection
- Classification
- Segmentation
- Generation



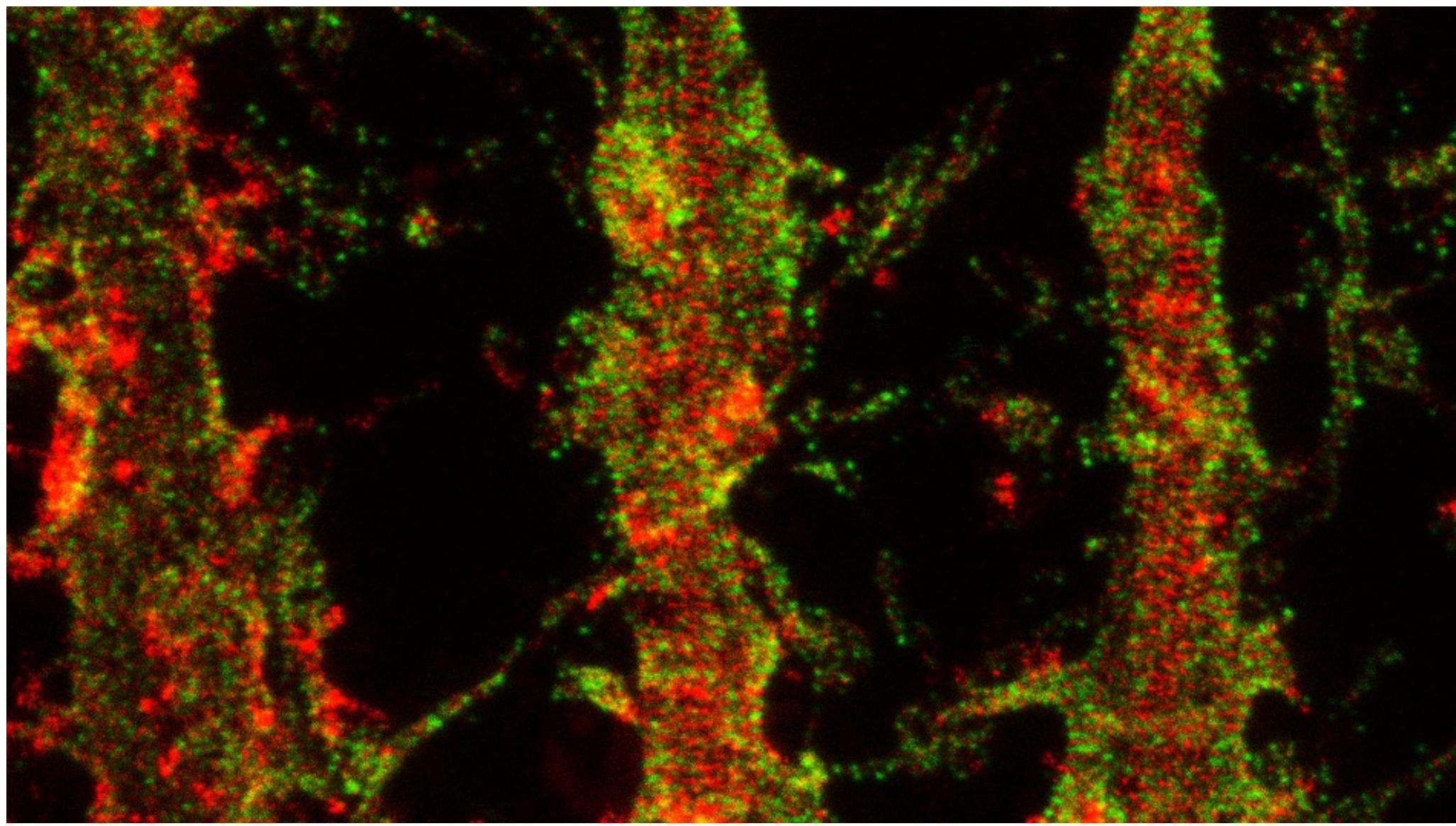
Common tasks

- Detection
- Classification
- Segmentation
- Generation
- Registration



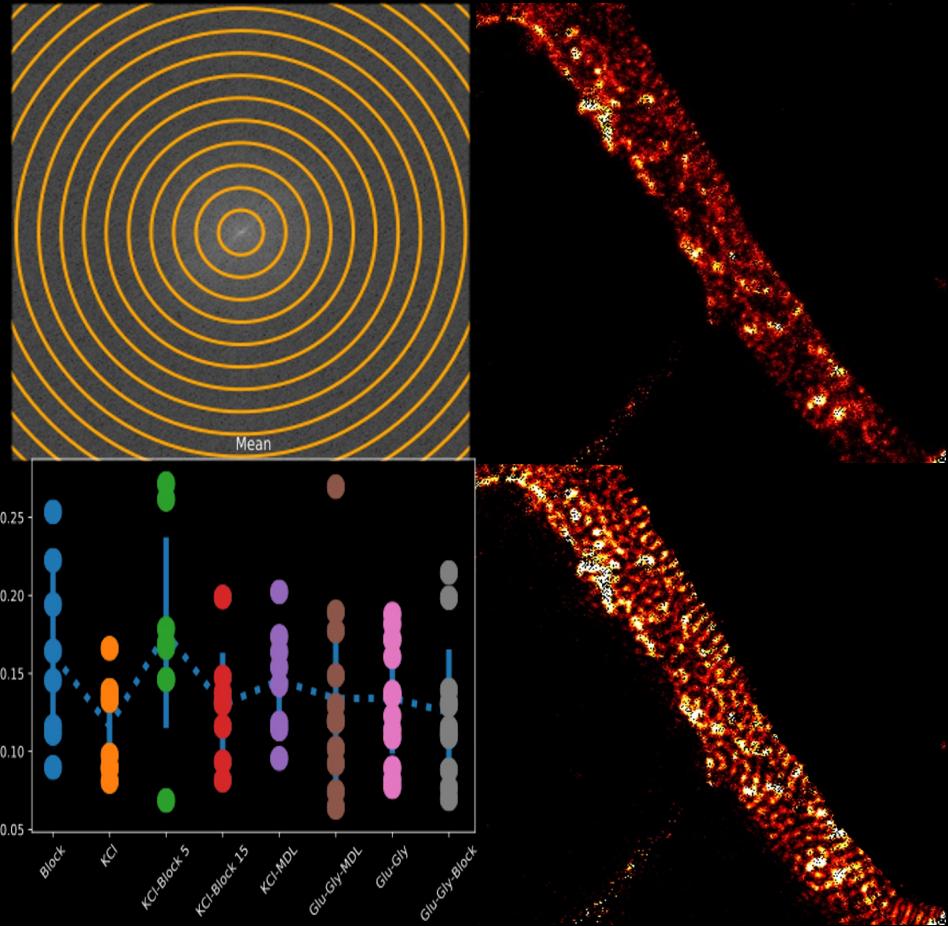
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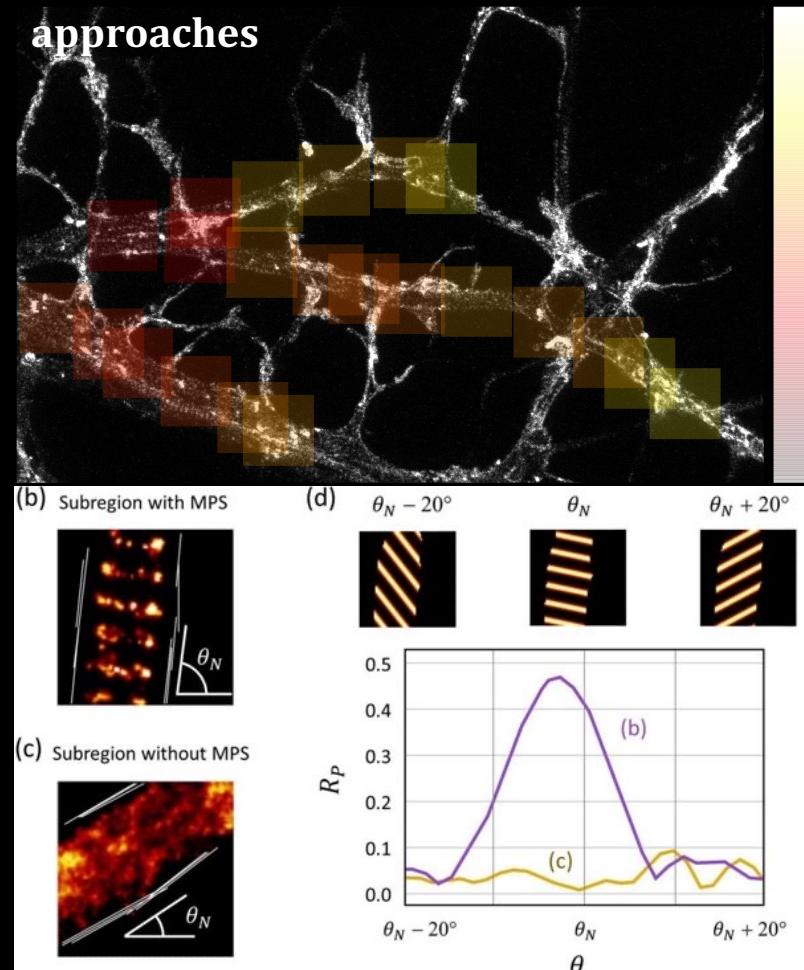


Try other approaches

Fourier analysis



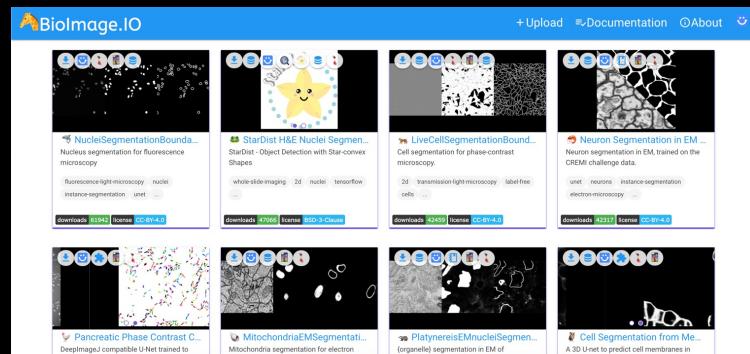
Correlative approaches



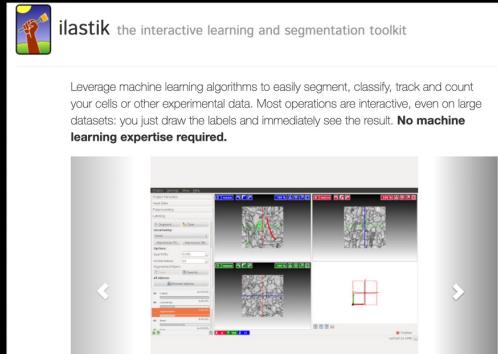
Barabas et al. *Scientific Reports*

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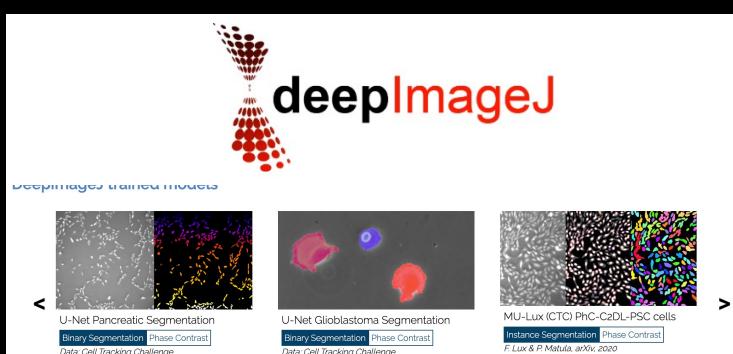
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Bioimage Model Zoo



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Deep ImageJ

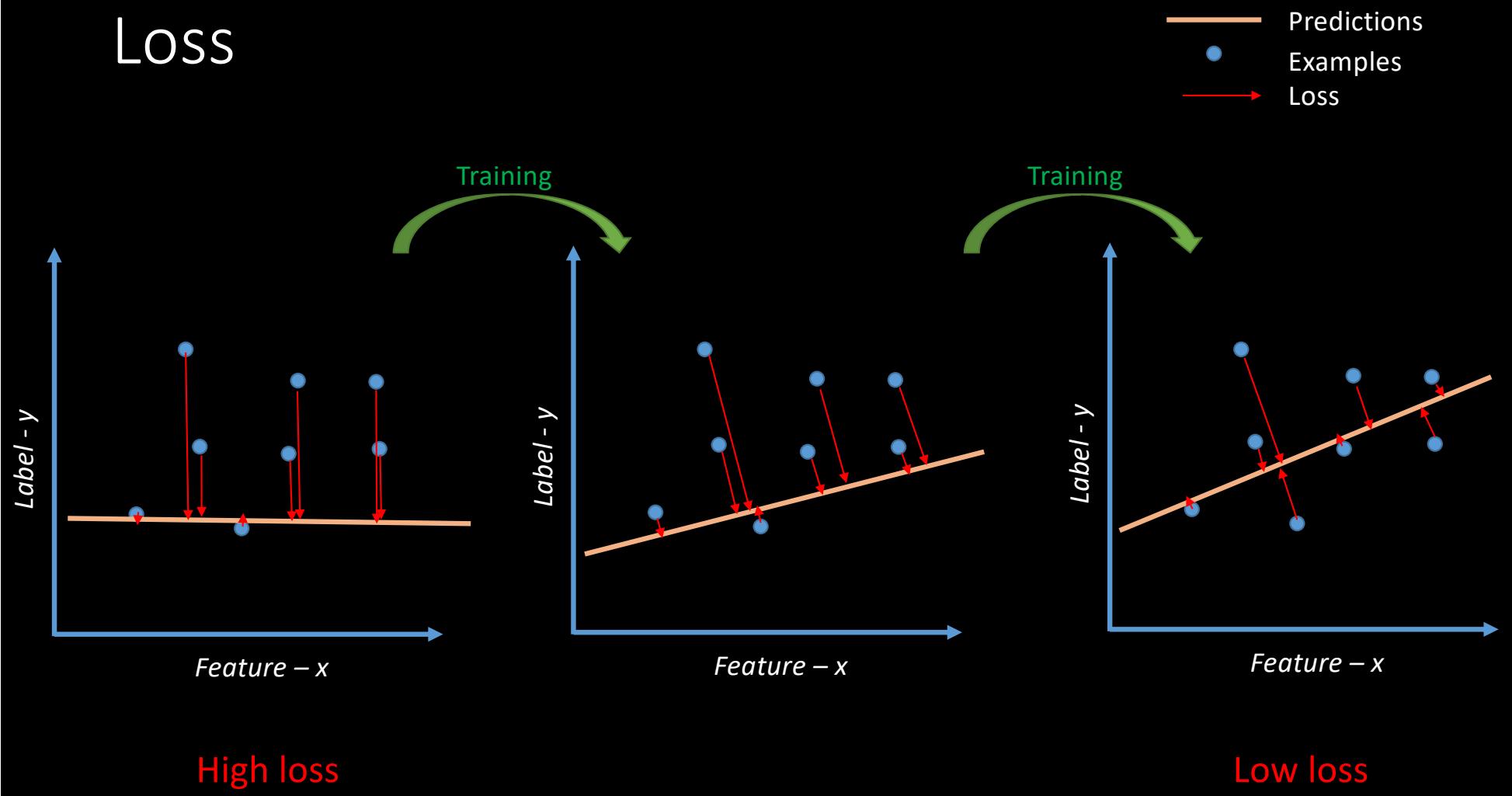
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5. Refine the task and pipeline by evaluating :
 - The size of your dataset
 - The complexity of the task
 - The annotation requirements
 - Which performance metrics you can use

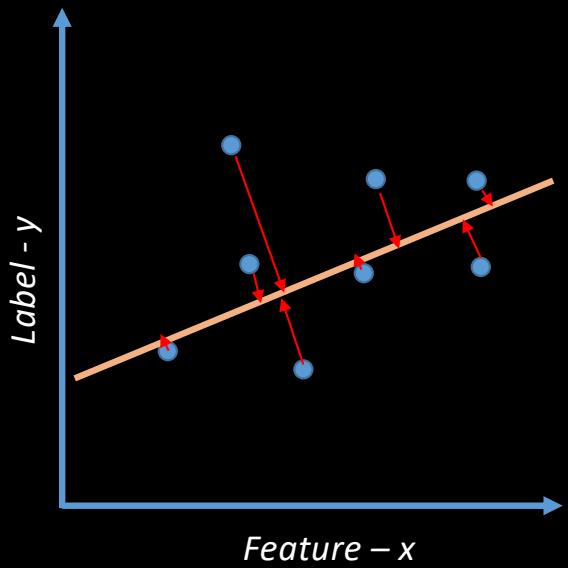
Training a model

- Examining many examples
- Build a model that will minimize the ***loss***
- ***Loss :*** How bad was a model to predict the features on a single example
 - Loss of 0 = model is perfect
 - High loss = model is bad
- ***Goal :*** find a set of weights and biases that have low loss on ***all examples.***

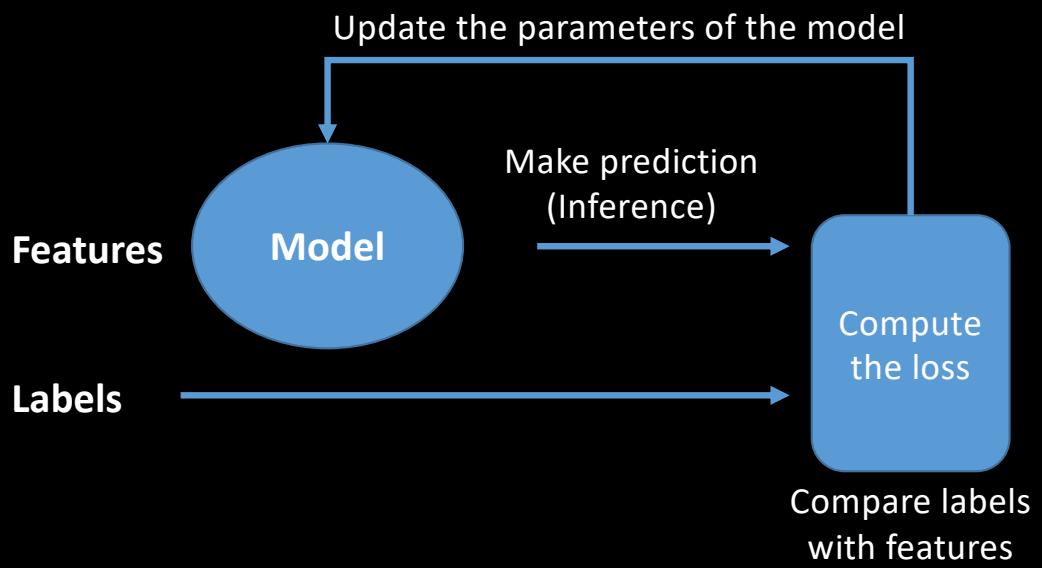
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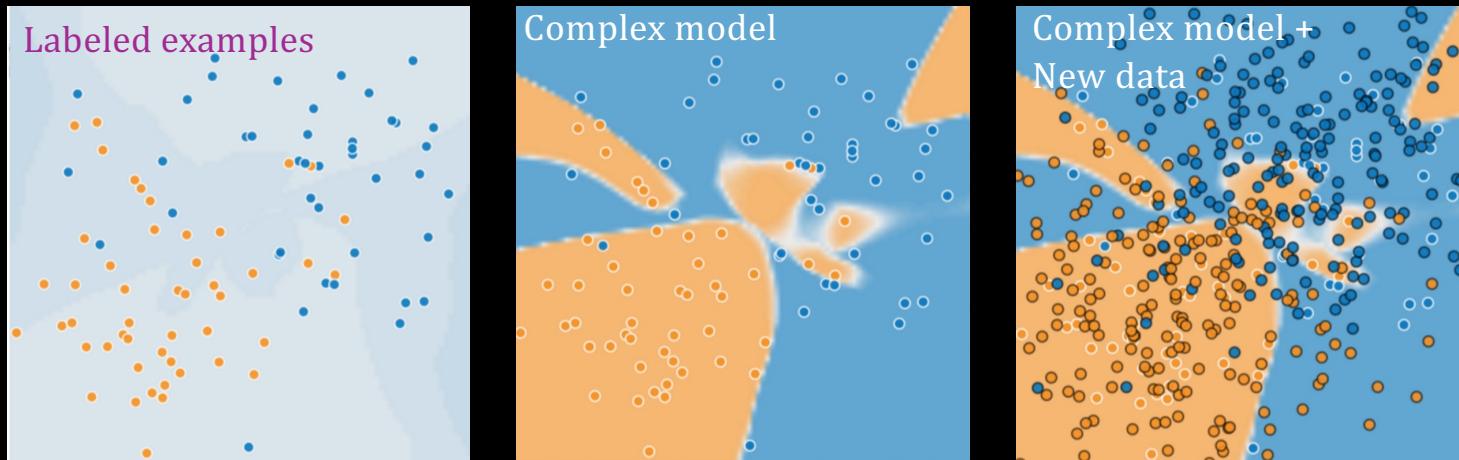
- Predictions
- Examples
- Loss



- Loss function examples :
- *Mean square error*
 - *Cross entropy*

Generalization

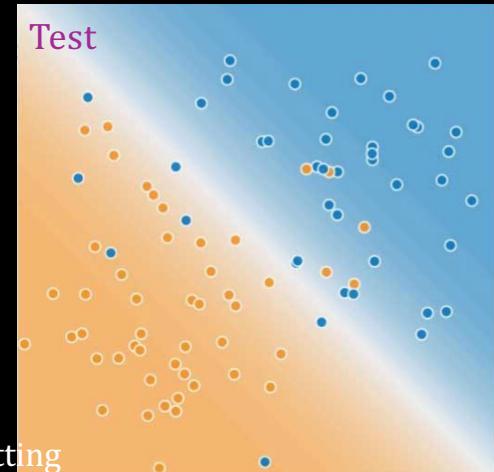
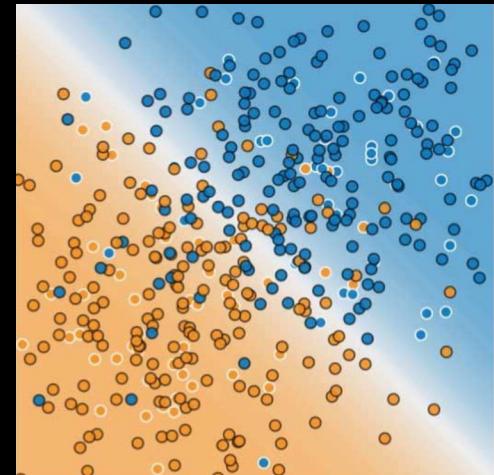
- In Machine Learning the goal is to learn a model that will give good prediction on new examples that were never seen
- A too complex model may perform well with the training data set but gives poor prediction on new examples : **overfitting**



<https://developers.google.com/machine-learning/crash-course/generalization/peril-of-overfitting>

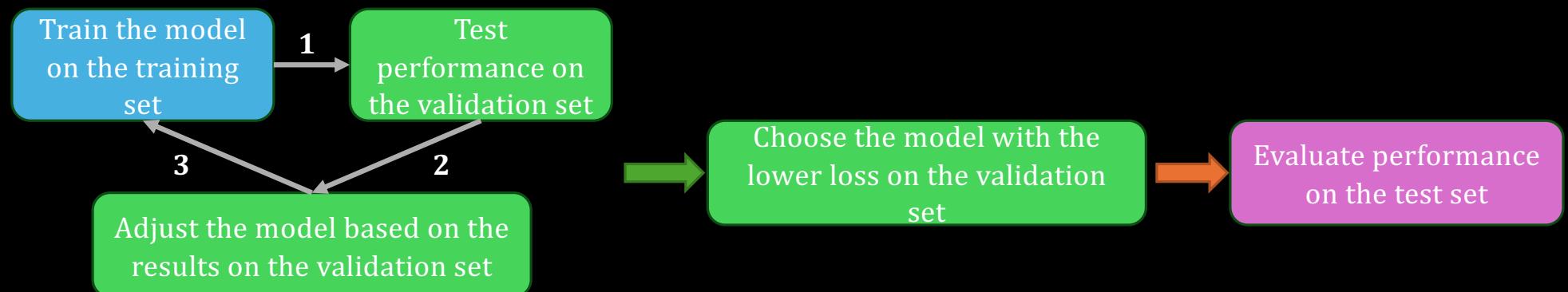
Generalization

- A model that overfits :
 - Low loss on the training dataset
 - High loss on the test dataset (new examples that were never seen before)
- Test set :
 - Large enough
 - But small partition of the dataset to maximize the number of examples used in training
 - Generally 15-25% of the whole dataset
 - Is not used over and over again
 - Representative from the whole dataset
- To prevent overfitting
 - *Try to have a model that is as simple as possible*



Generalization

- Adding a third partition : **Validation set**
- Greatly helps to reduce overfitting
 - Tweaking is done on the validation set
 - The test set is kept completely unknown to the model



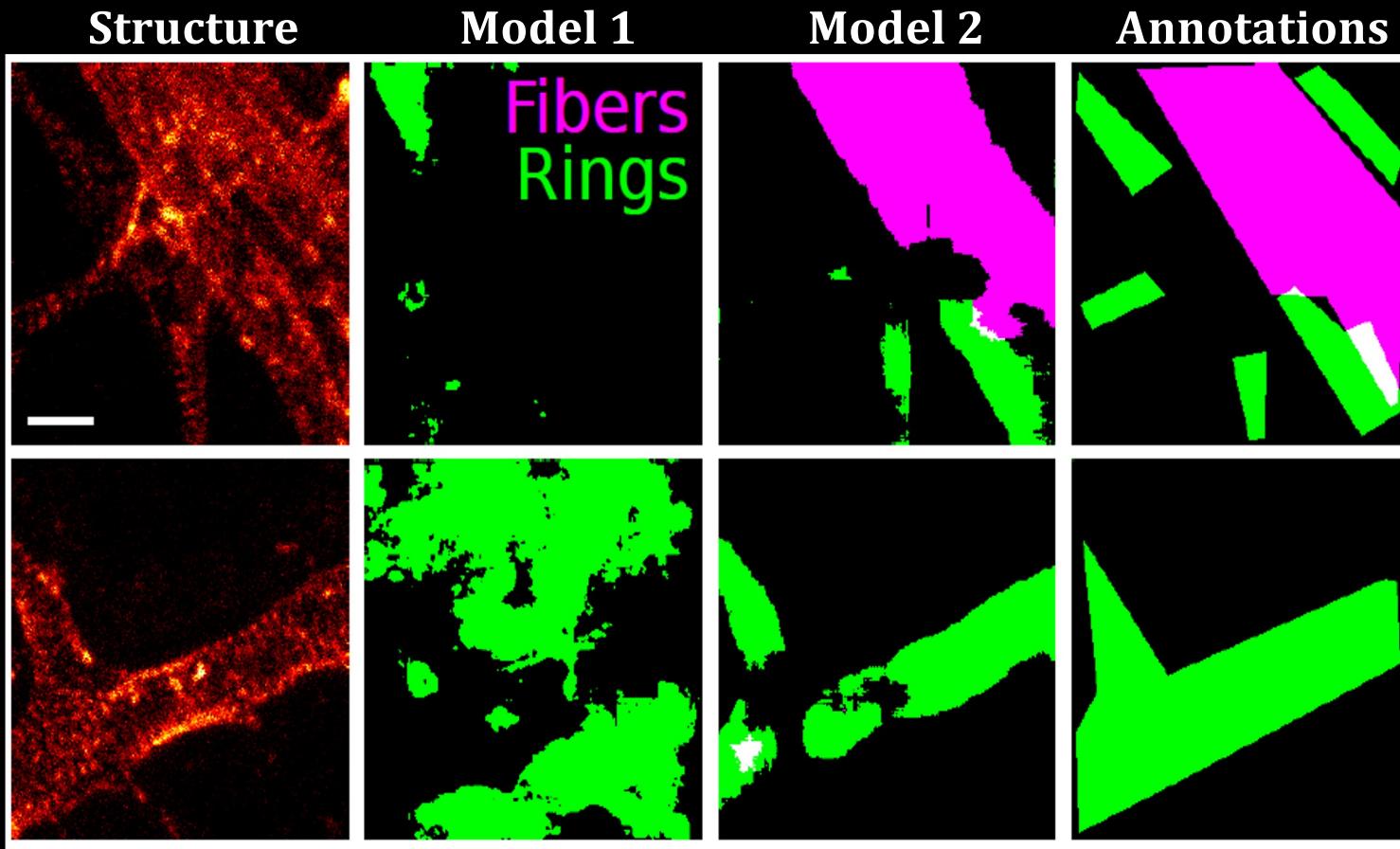
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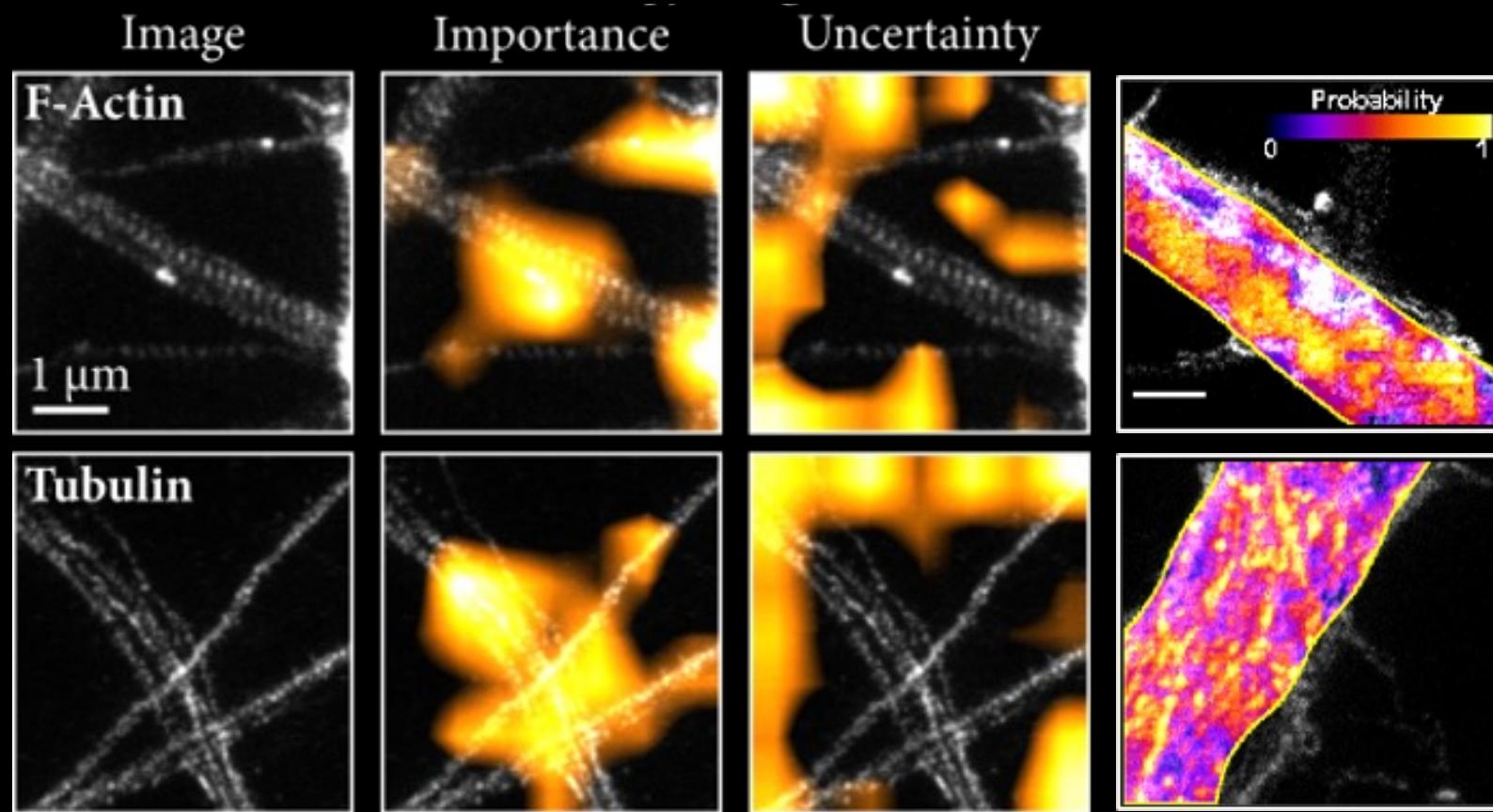
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7. **Inspect the results** (look at the images, the segmentation, the classification, etc.)

Inspect results



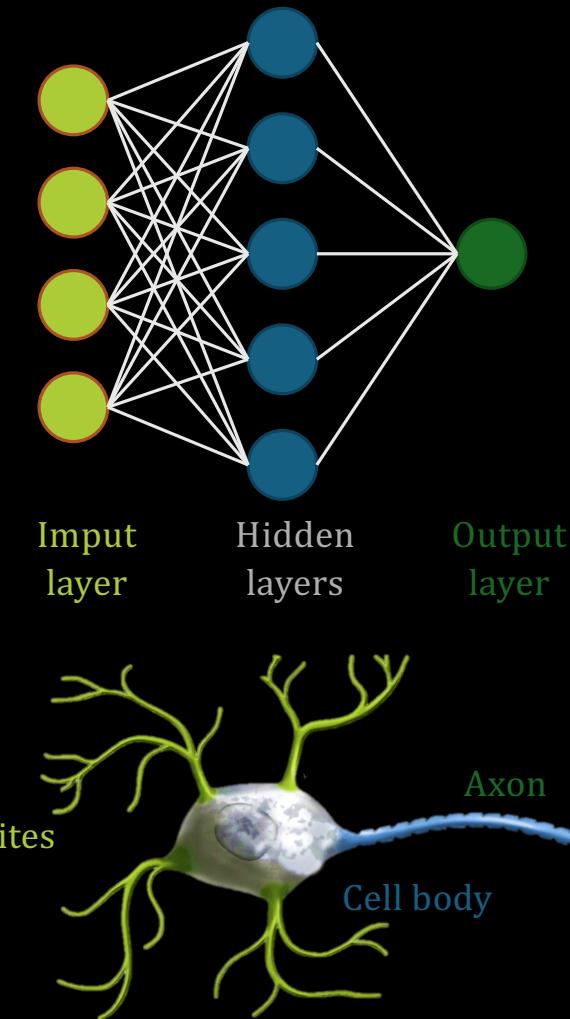
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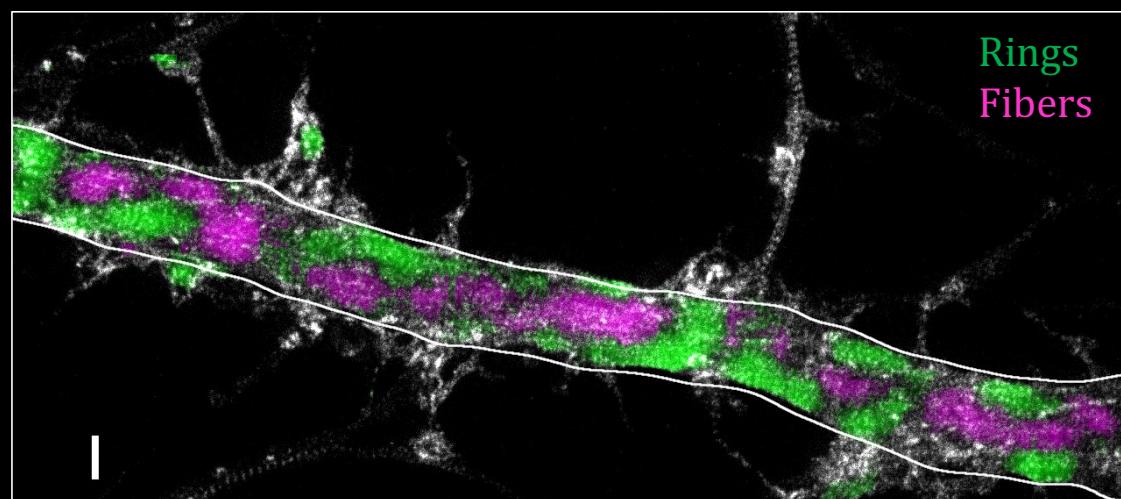
Typical pipeline

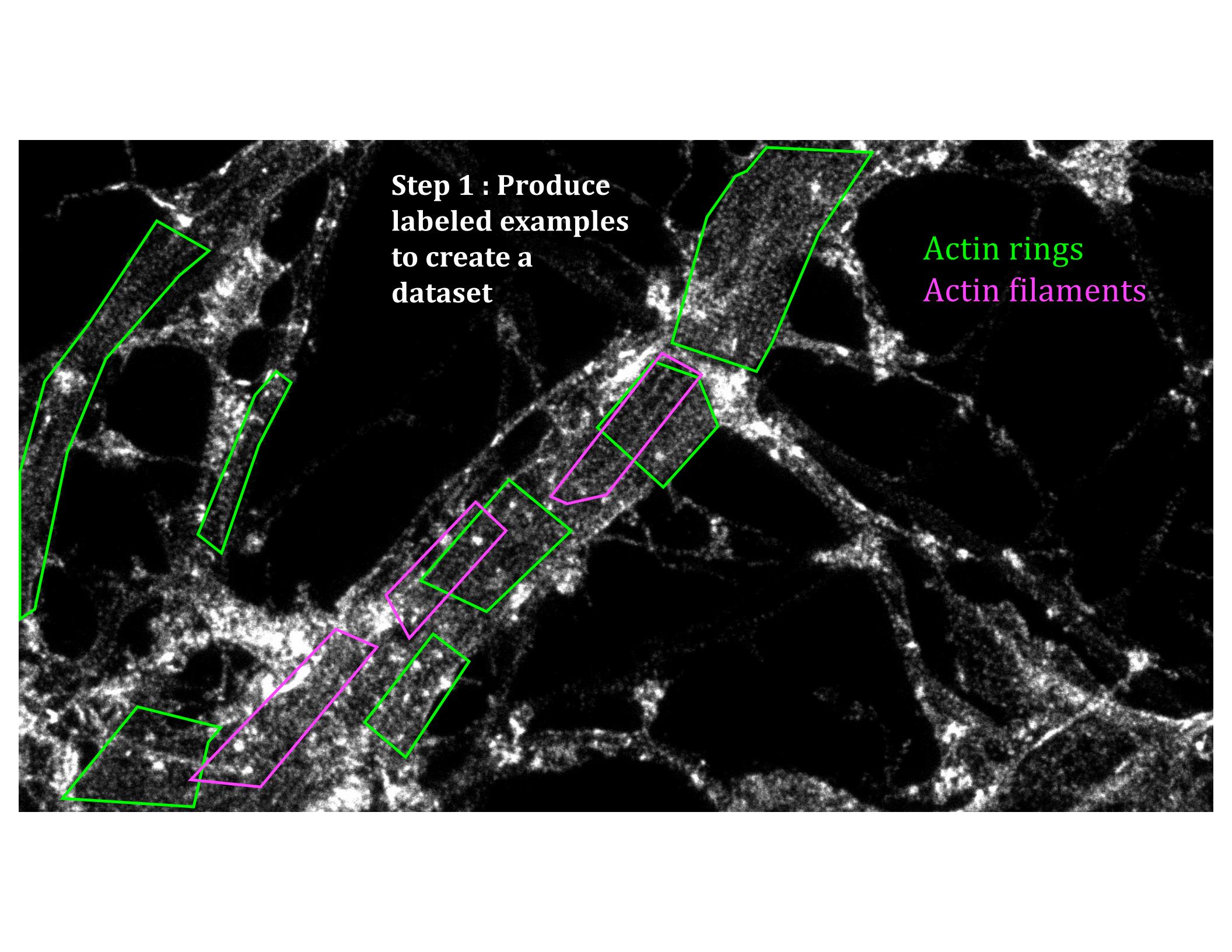
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Artificial neural network



Segmentation map



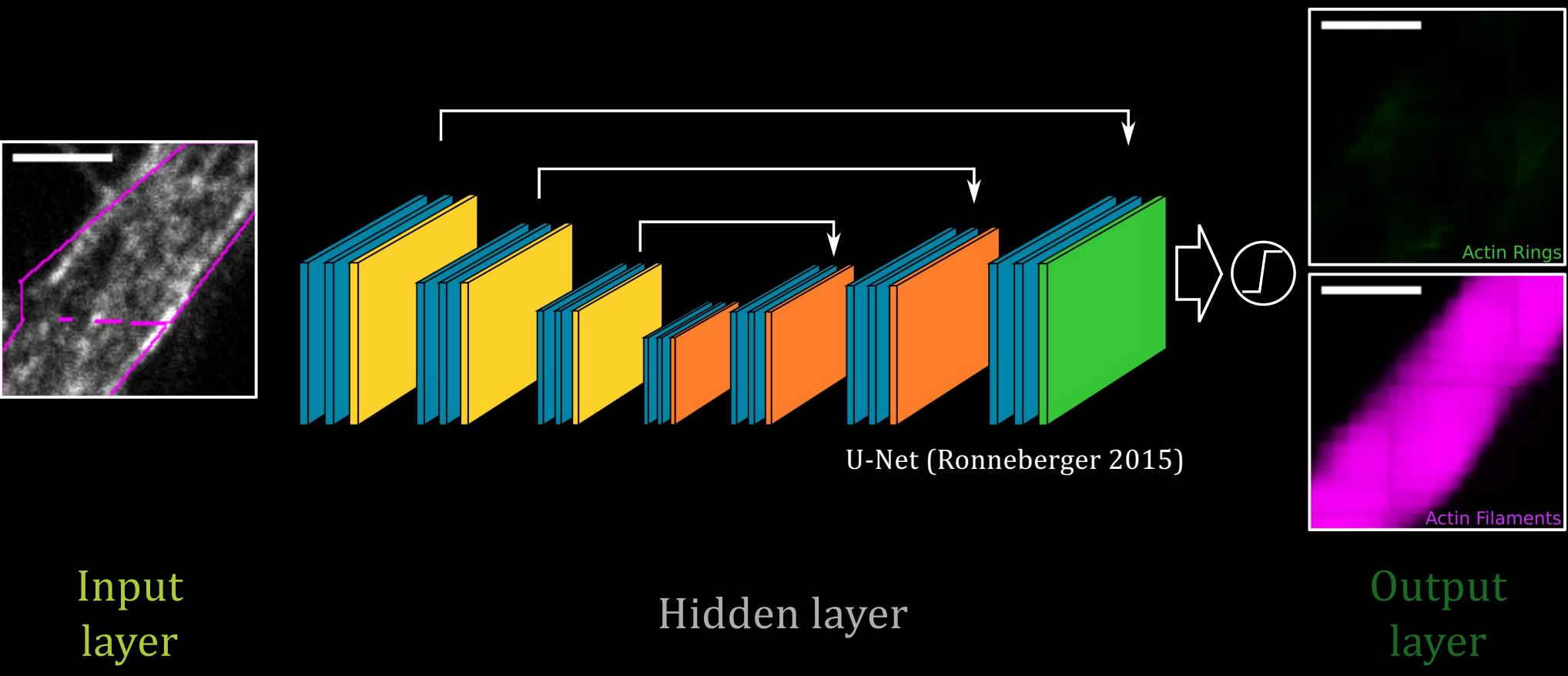


A grayscale microscopy image showing a network of actin filaments and larger, more organized structures called actin rings. Several regions are highlighted with colored outlines: green outlines identify individual actin rings, while pink outlines group multiple rings together. The background is dark, with bright, granular features representing the actin structures.

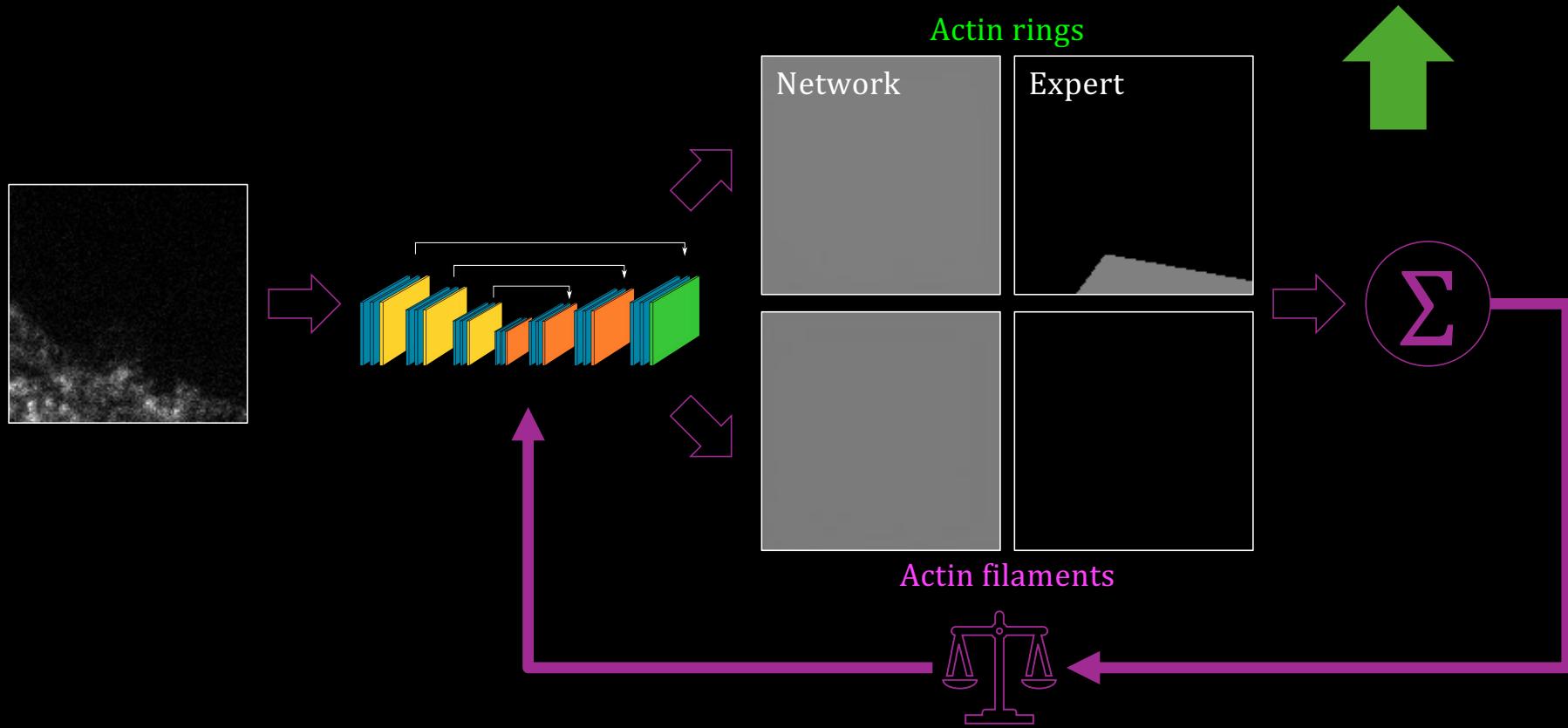
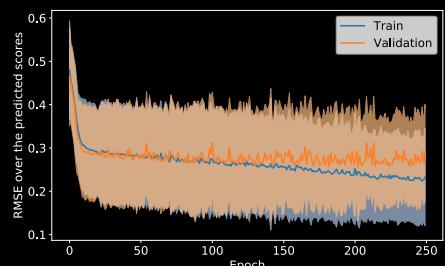
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labeled examples
to create a
dataset**

Actin rings
Actin filaments

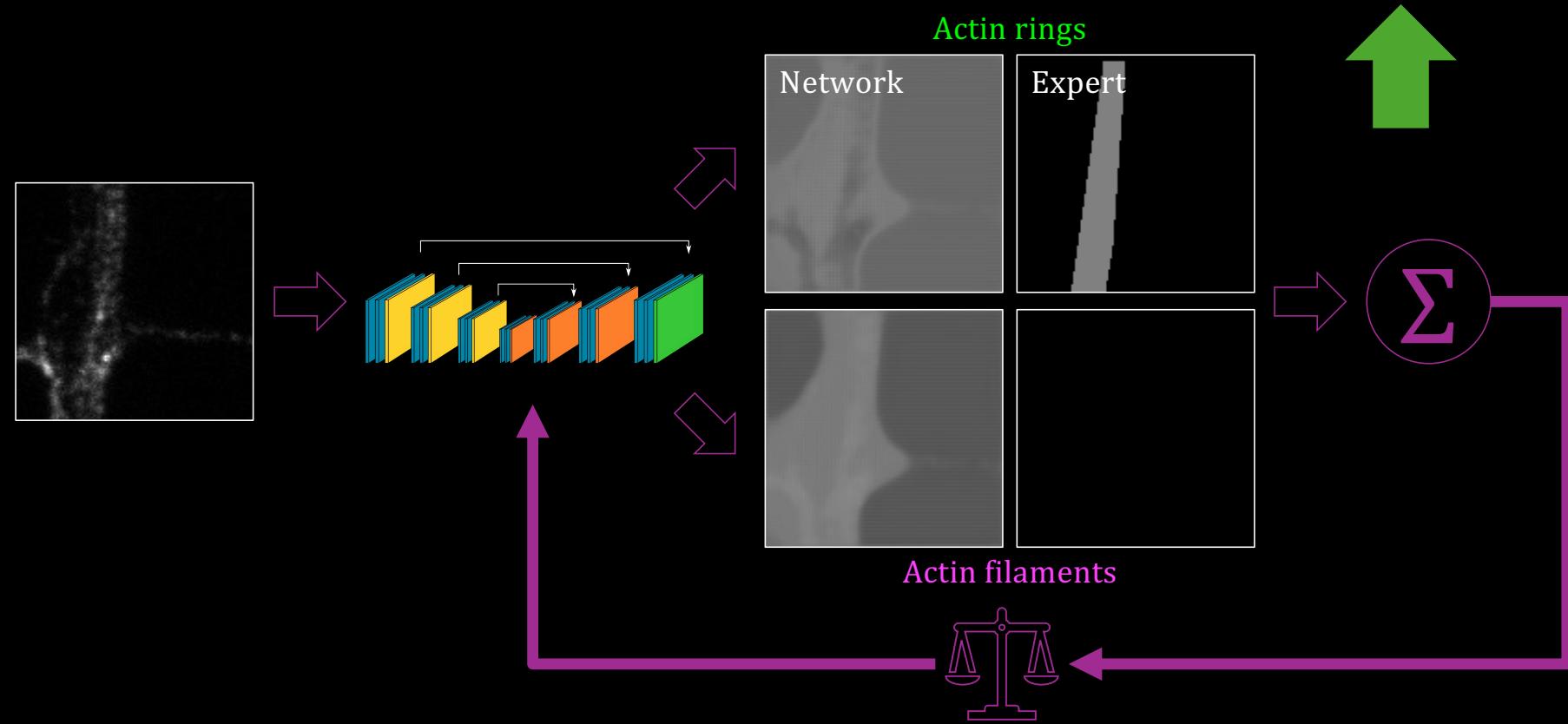
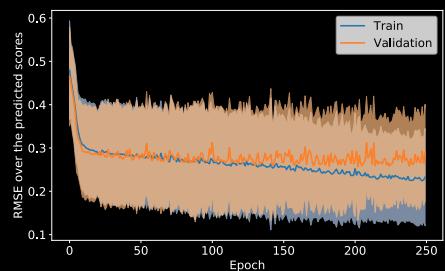
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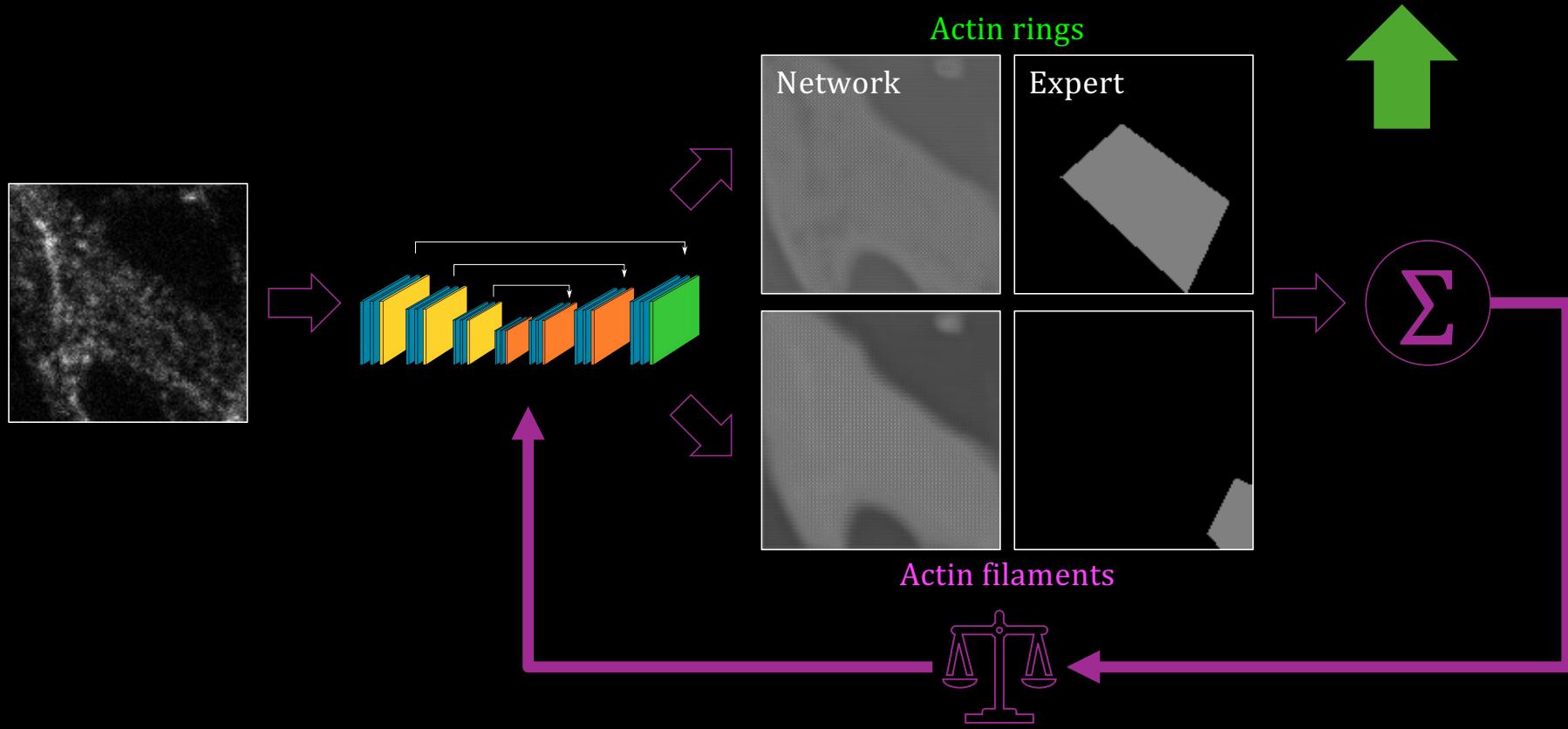
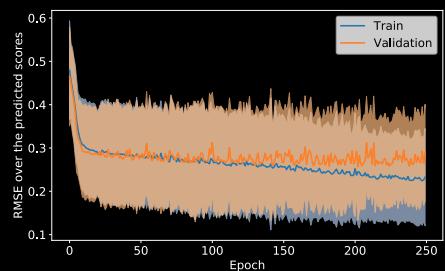
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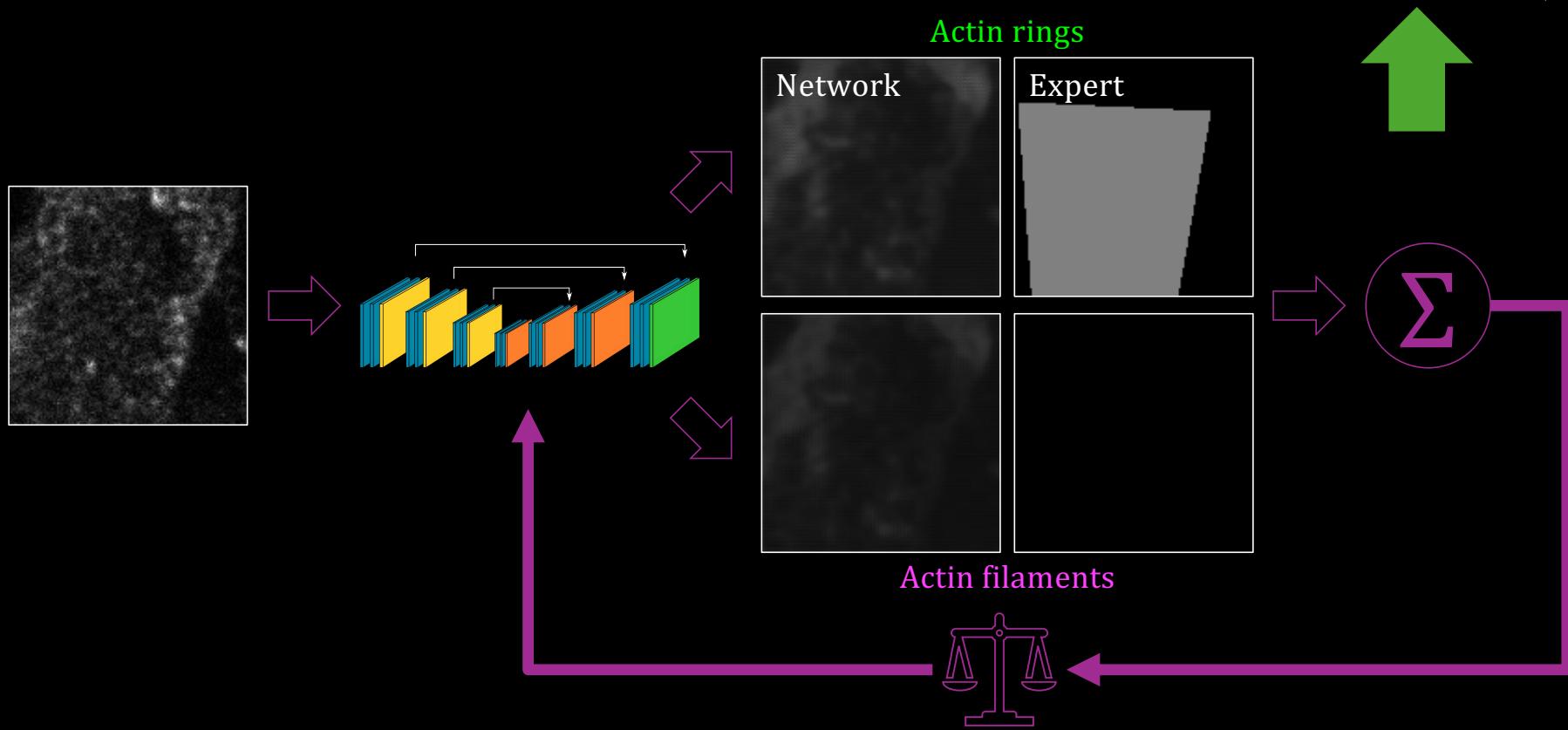
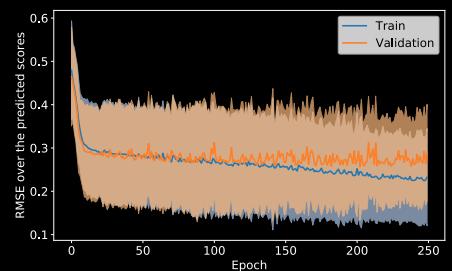
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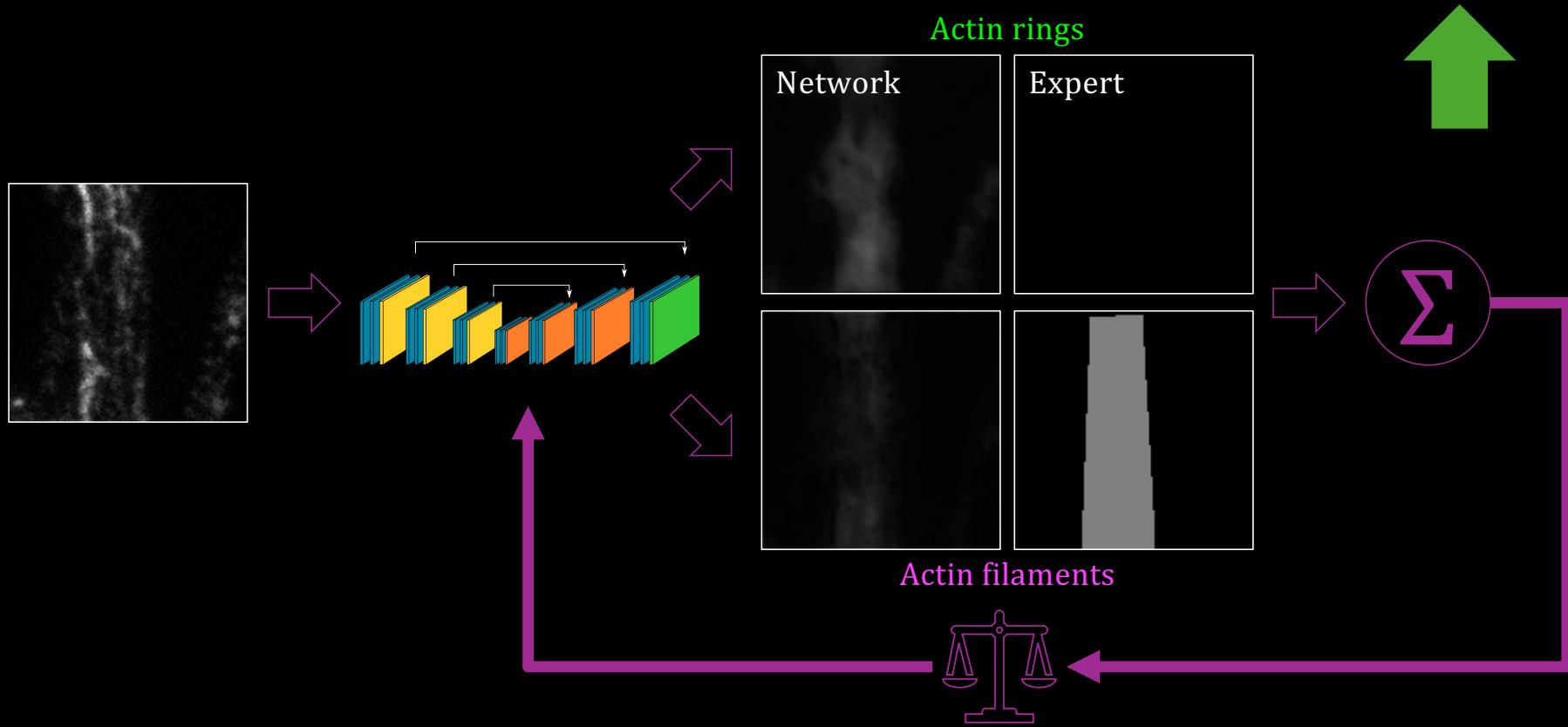
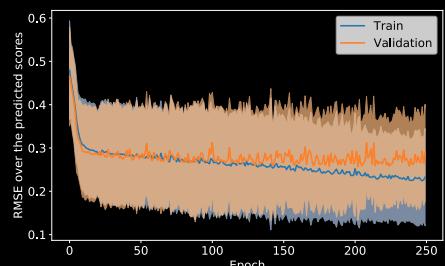
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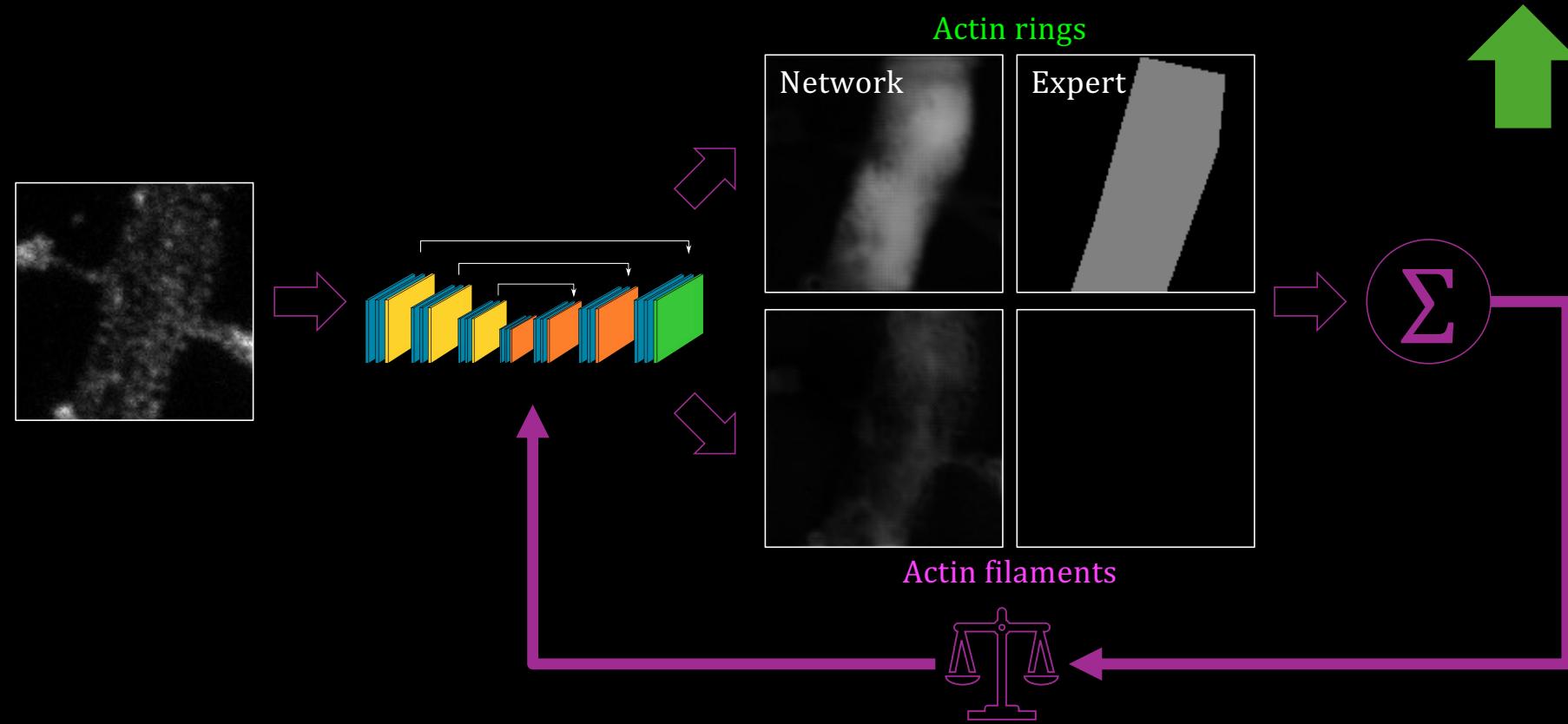
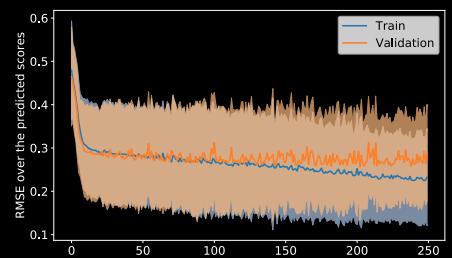
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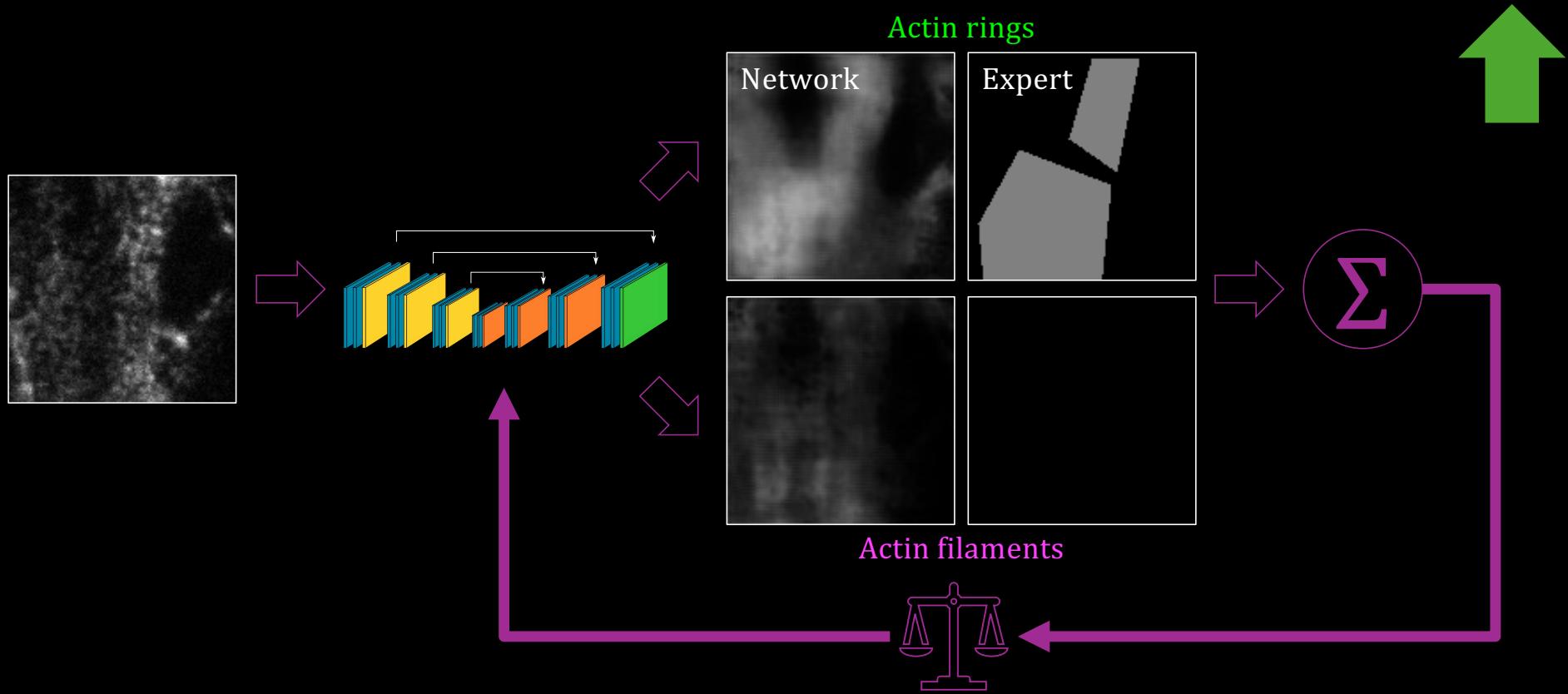
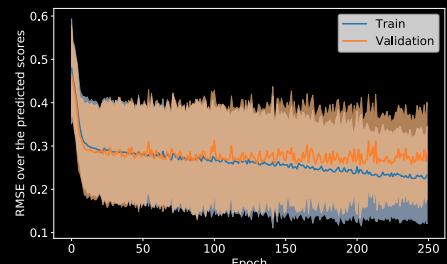
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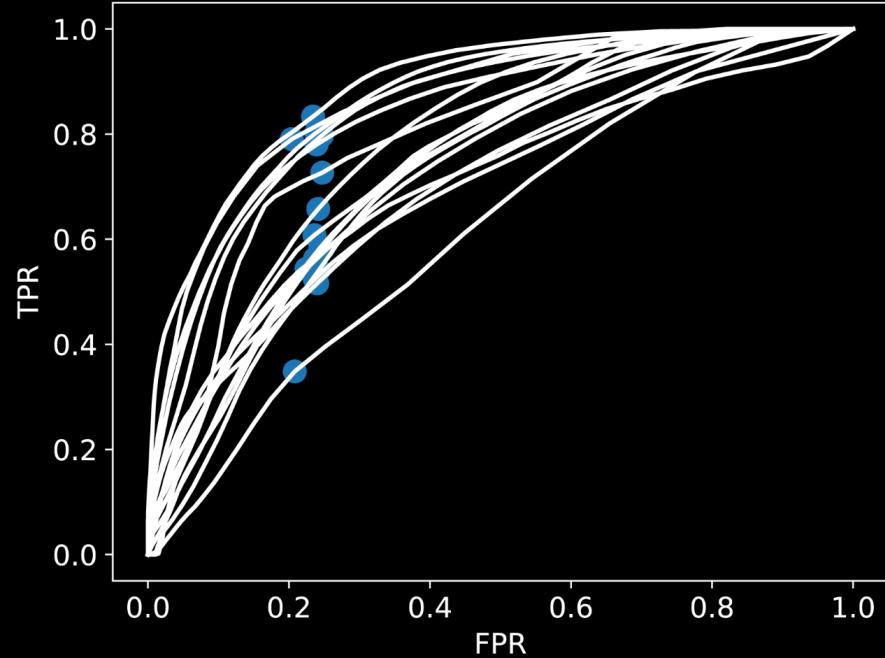


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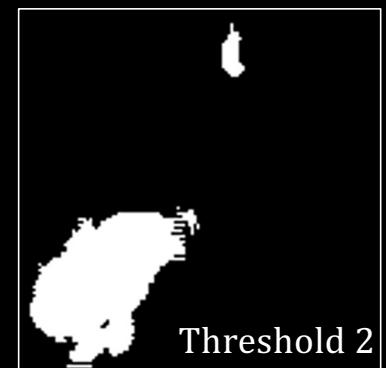


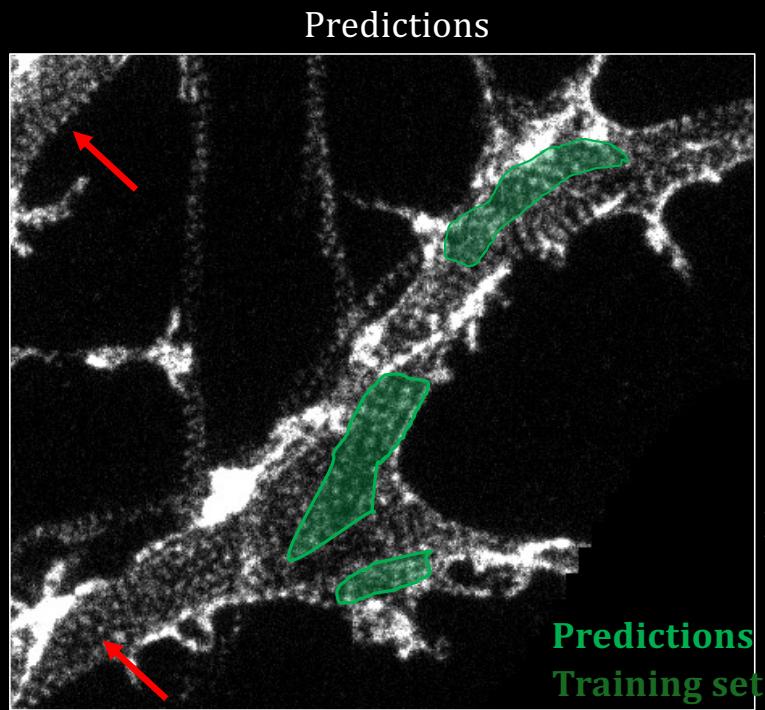
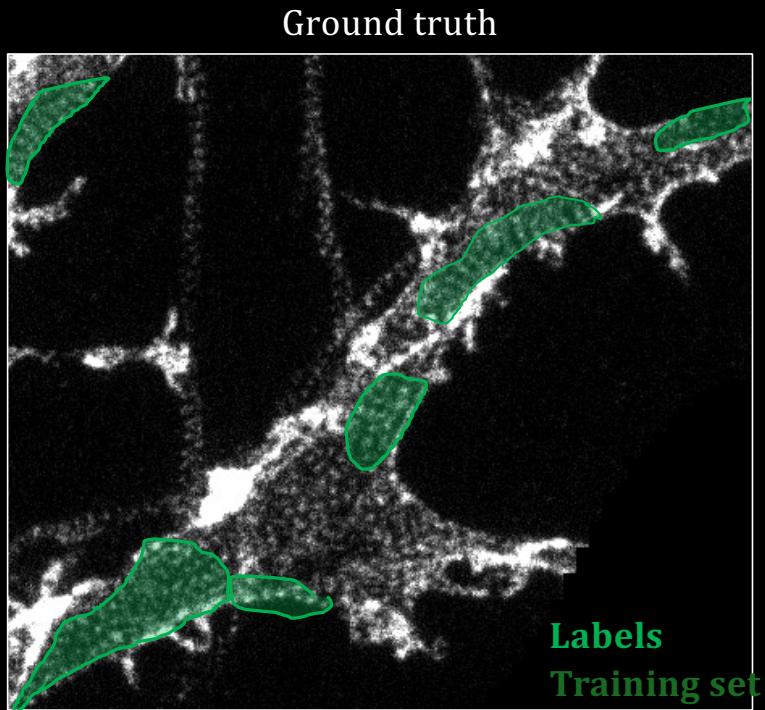
Step 4 : Determine the thresholds

Rings



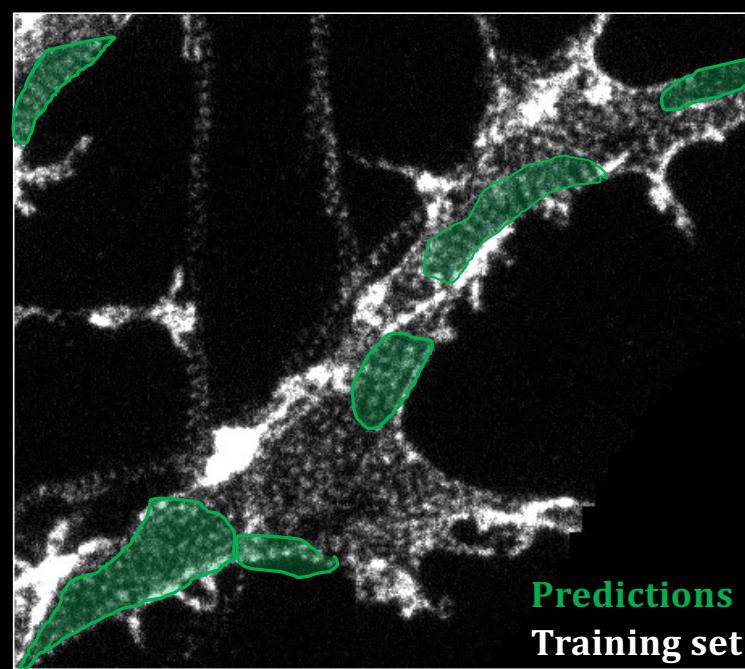
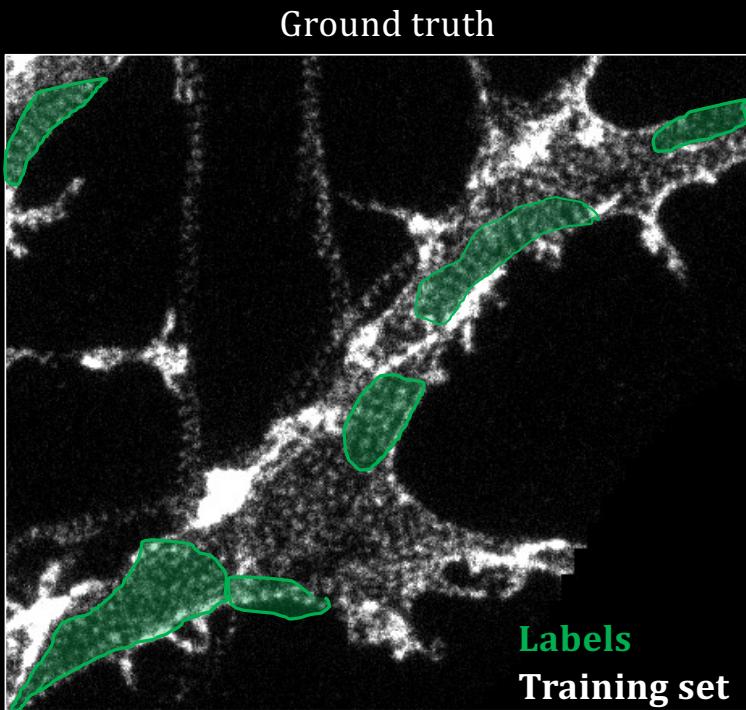
False positive rate of 0.25





Ground truth and predictions are very different :
High loss

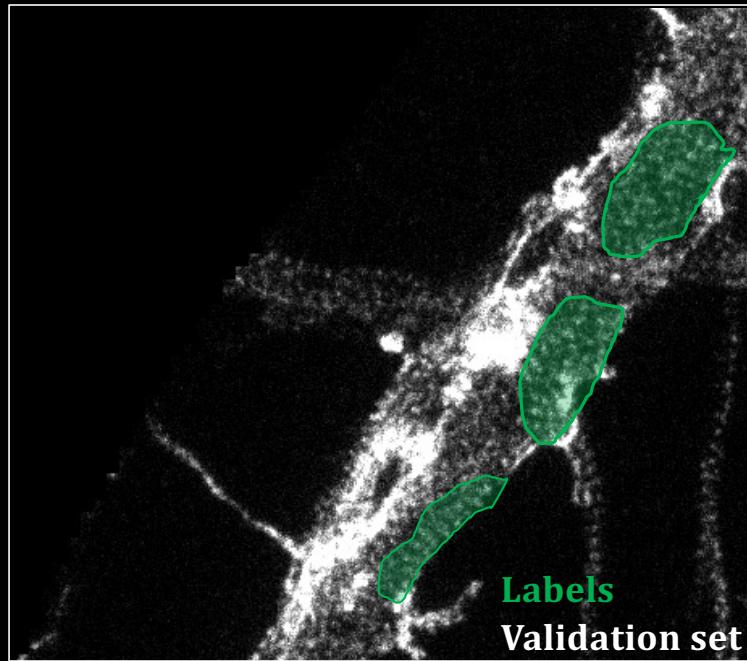
Model is not optimal



Ground truth and predictions are very almost the same:
Low loss

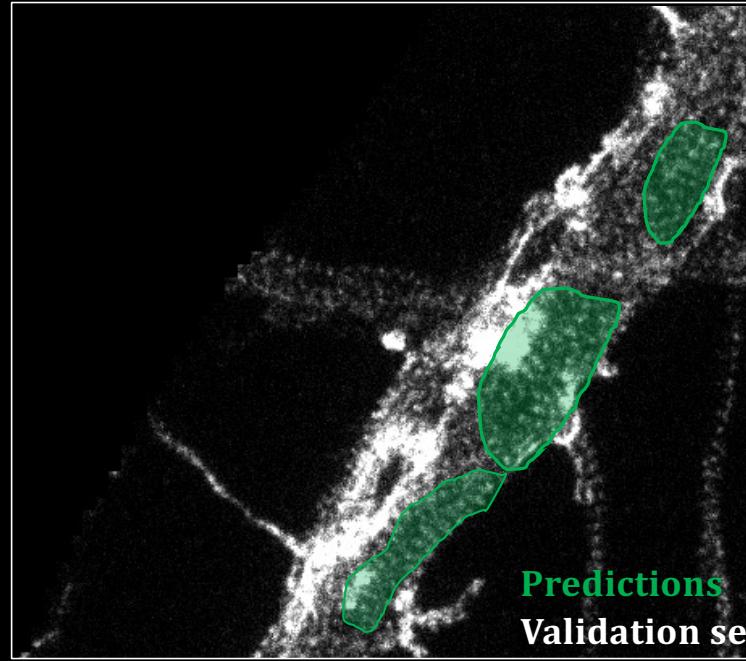
Does the model generalizes well?

Ground truth



Labels
Validation set

Predictions

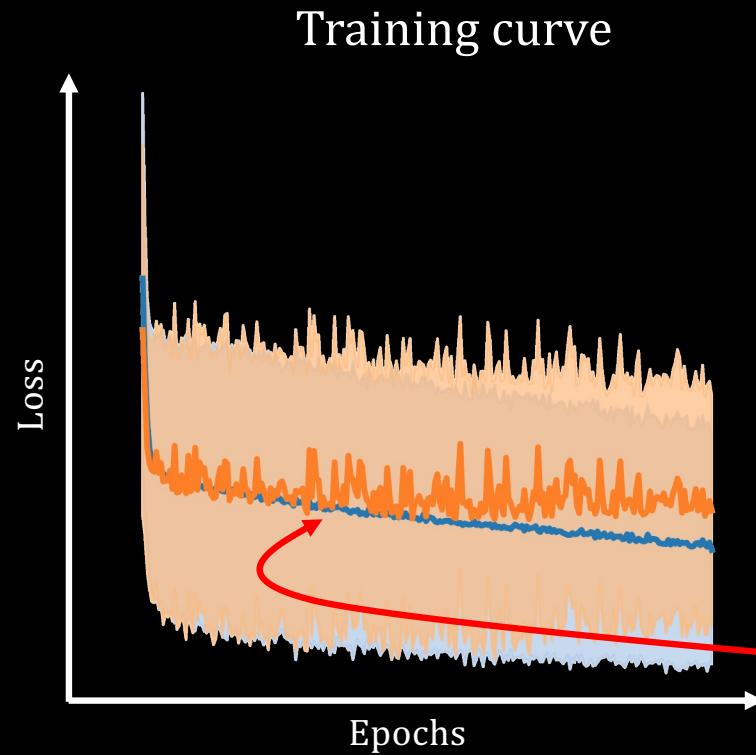
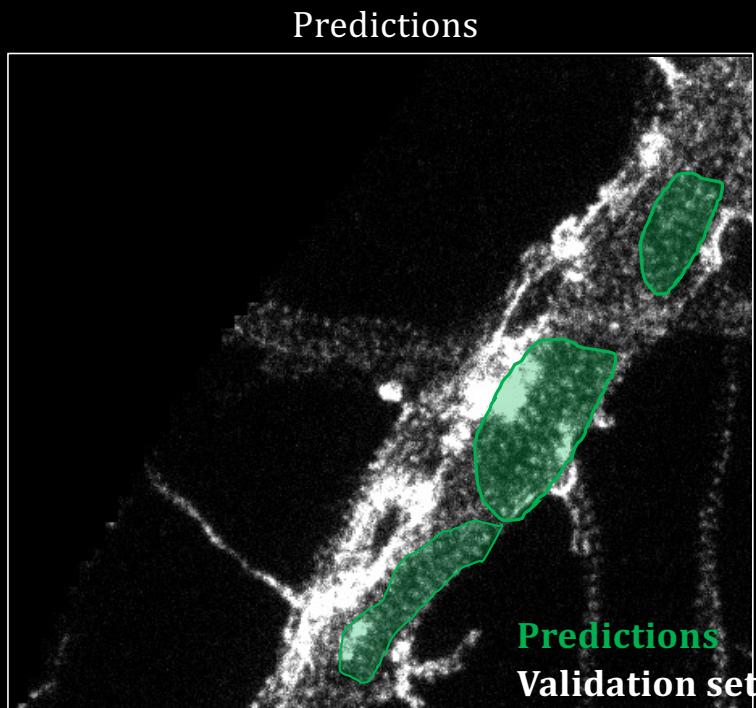


Predictions
Validation set

Ground truth and
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similar: **Loss was
minimized**

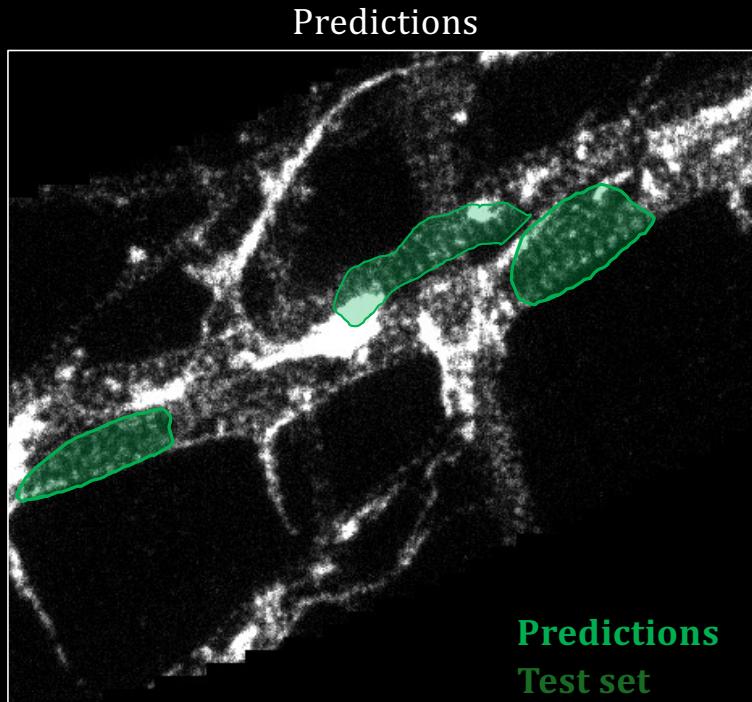
**Choose the model
based on the
validation loss**

Decide the model to use



Next step :
Evaluate the
performance on the
test set

Evaluate the performance on the test set



The output is often a probability :

- Use it as it is
- Convert into binary (thresholding)

Classification problems :

- Accuracy
- Precision
- Recall

Pixel-wise classification = segmentation

- Decision threshold
 - Map a logistic regression value (*probability*) into a binary value (*yes/no, class1/class2*)
- **True positive :**
 - Label = Actin rings
 - Prediction = Actin rings
- **False positive :**
 - Label = Background
 - Prediction = Actin rings
- **False negative :**
 - Label = Actin rings
 - Prediction = Background
- **True negative :**
 - Label = Background
 - Prediction = Actin rings

Confusion Matrix

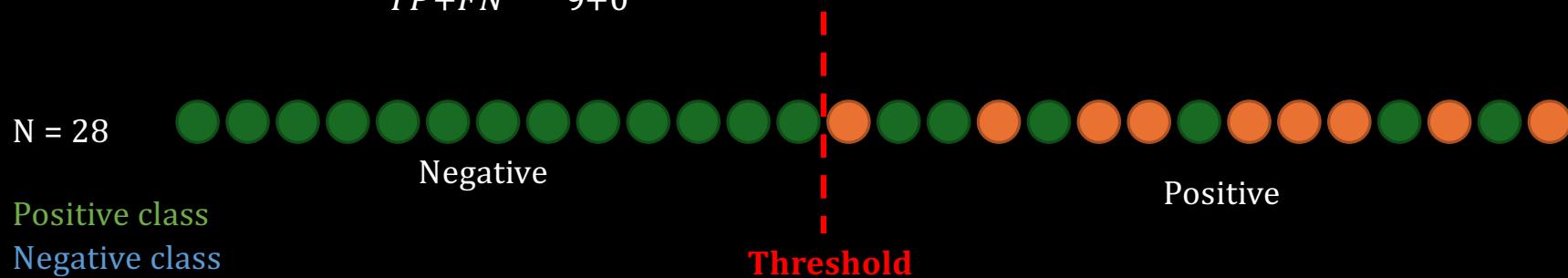
		Predictions	
		Background	Actin rings
Labels	Background	True Negative	False Positive
	Actin rings	False Negative	True Positive
	Background		Actin rings

Classification

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- Recall :
 - proportion of positive labels that were identified correctly
 - $Recall = \frac{TP}{TP+FN}$

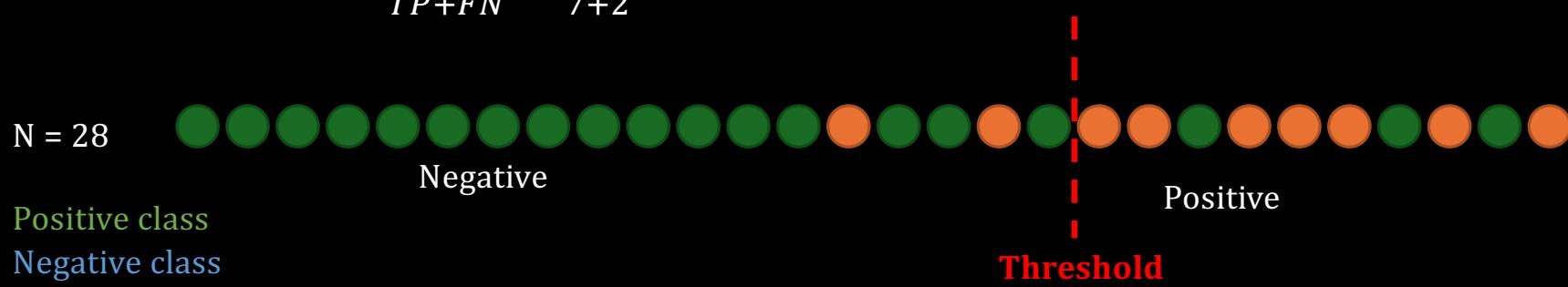
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- Recall : proportion of positive labels that were identified correctly
 - $Recall = \frac{TP}{TP+FN} = \frac{7}{7+2} = 0.78$



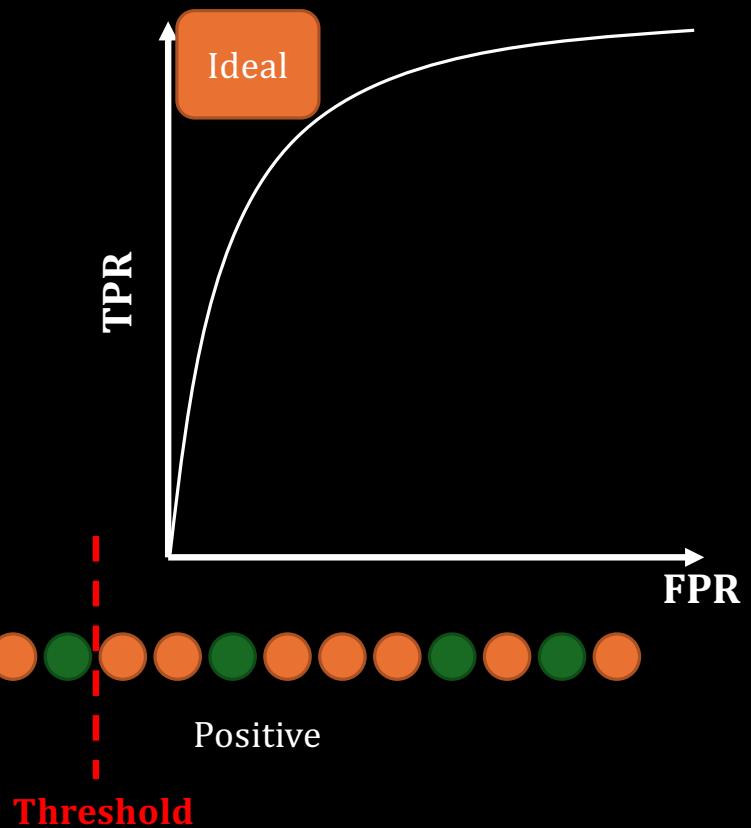
Classification – ROC curve

- ROC : receiver operating curve
 - Plot true positive rate (TPR) against the false positive rate (FPR)
 - $TPR = Recall = \frac{TP}{TP+FN} = \frac{7}{7+2} = 0.78$
 - $FPR = \frac{FP}{FP+TN} = \frac{3}{3+16} = 0.16$

$N = 28$

Positive class
Negative class

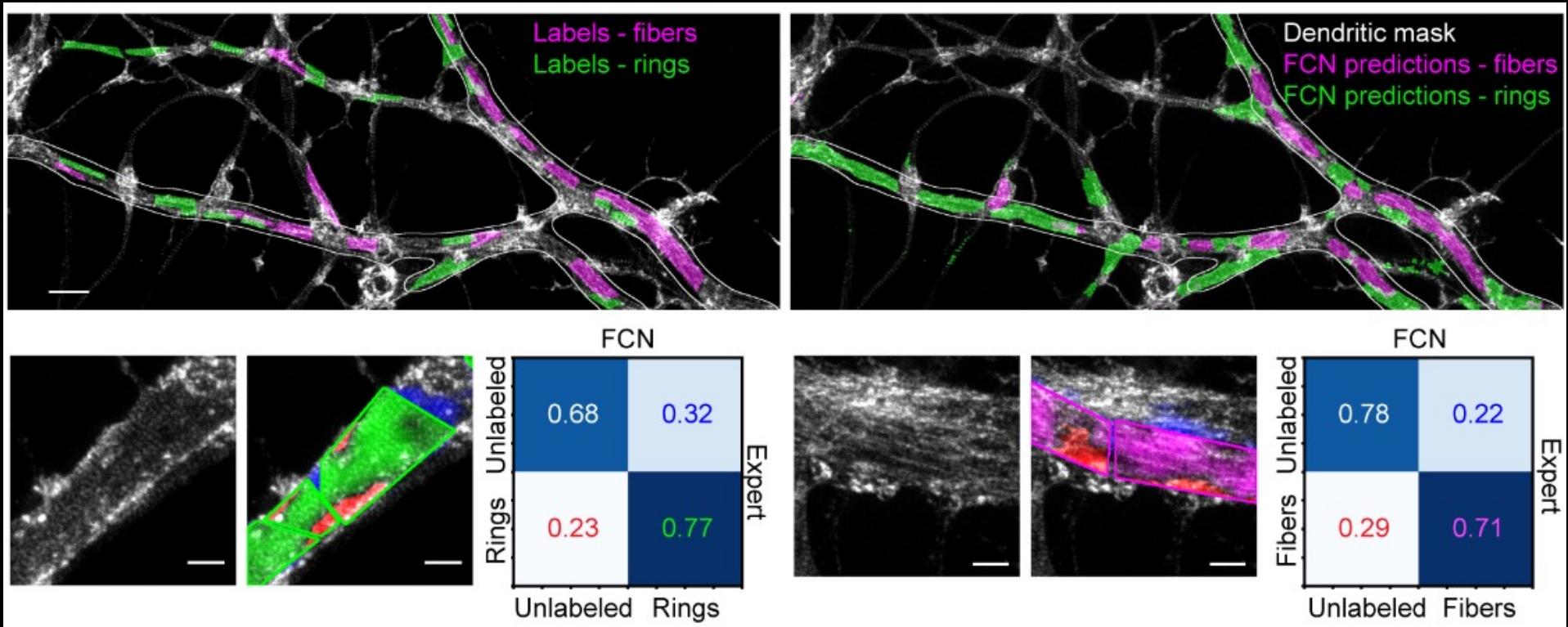
Negative



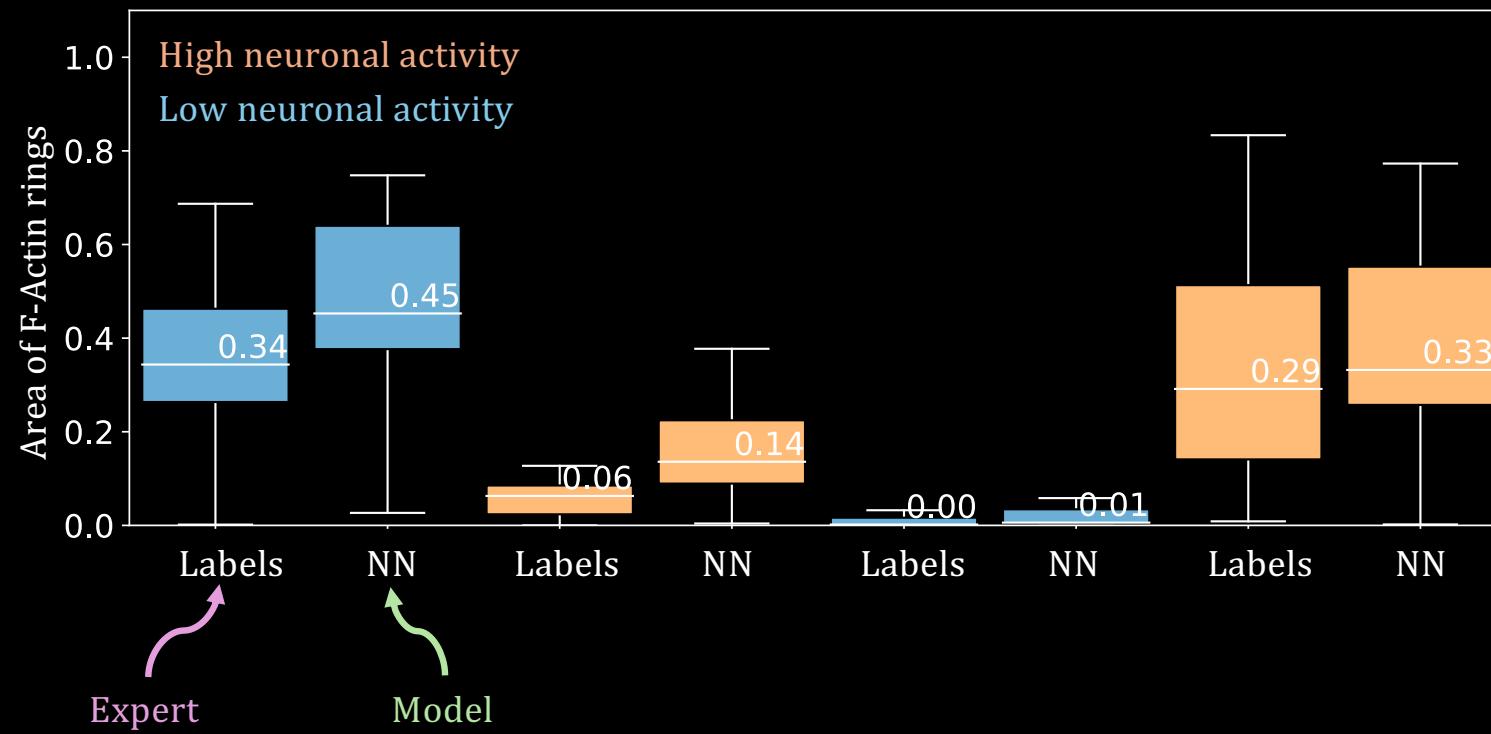
Pixel-wise classification : semantic segmentation

← Feature 1 : Rings
Feature 2 : Fibers →

Step 5 : Evaluate performance on the test set

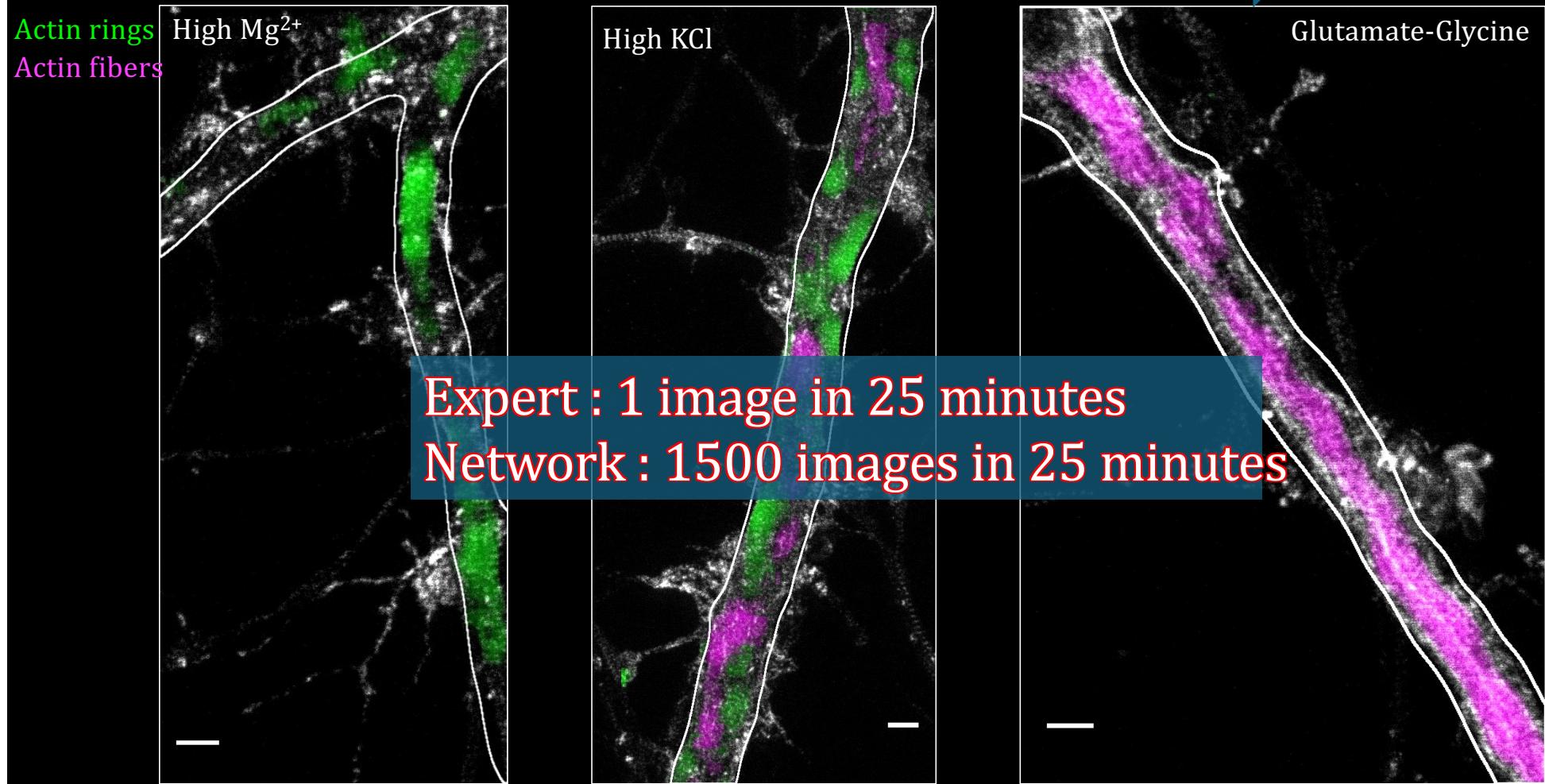


Step 5 : Evaluate performance on the test set



Step 6 : Inference on real data

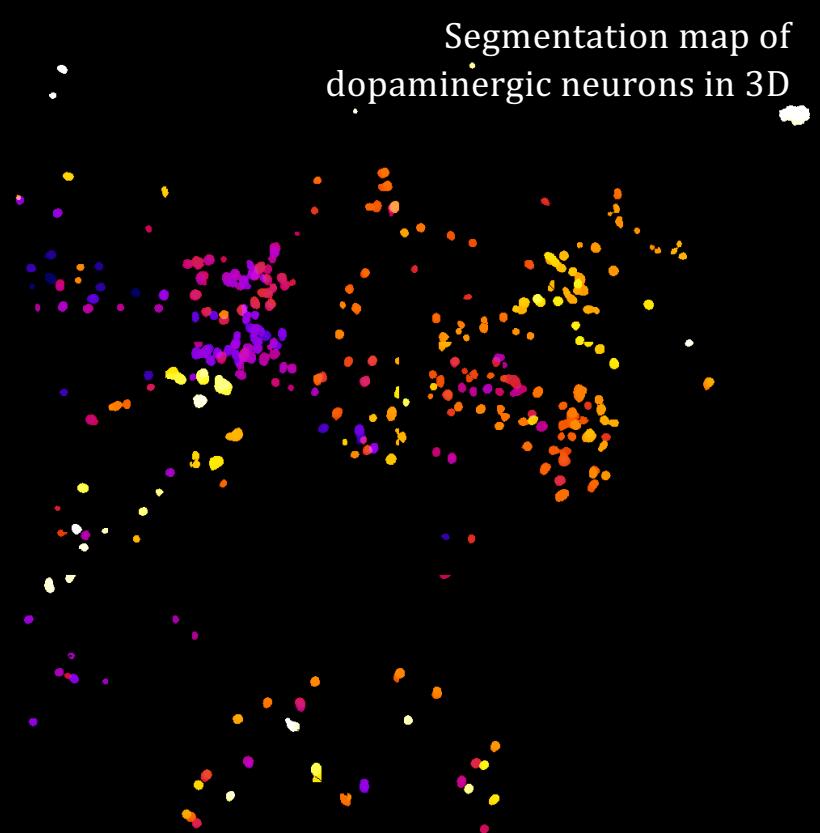
Increasing neuronal activity



Automating the analysis of two-photon microscopy images of the dopaminergic neuronal circuit

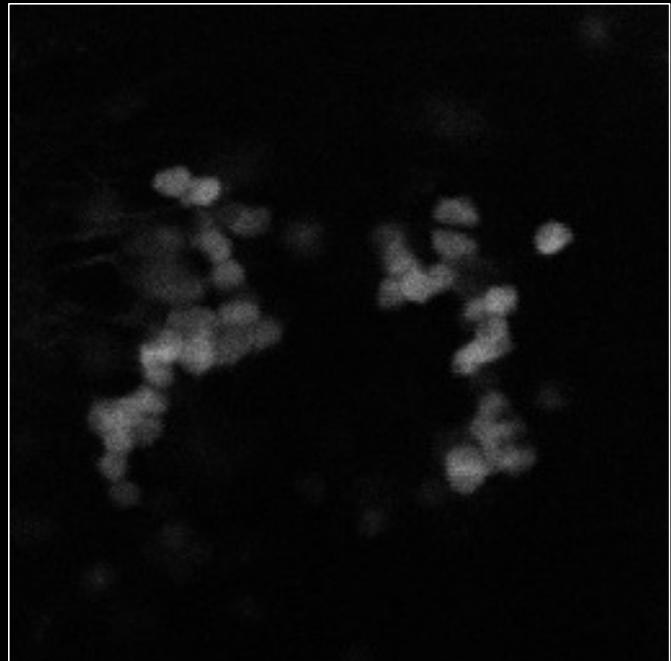


Deep learning
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Detection challenges

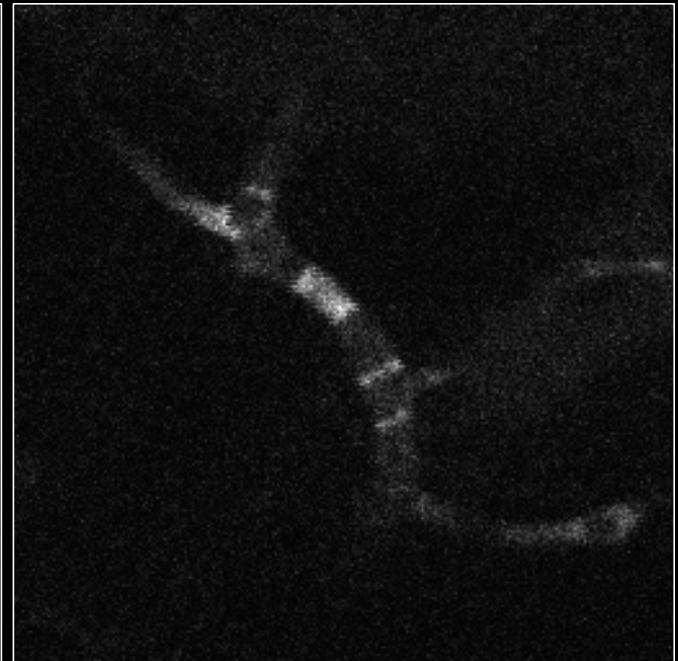
Dense regions



Intensity and contrast variations

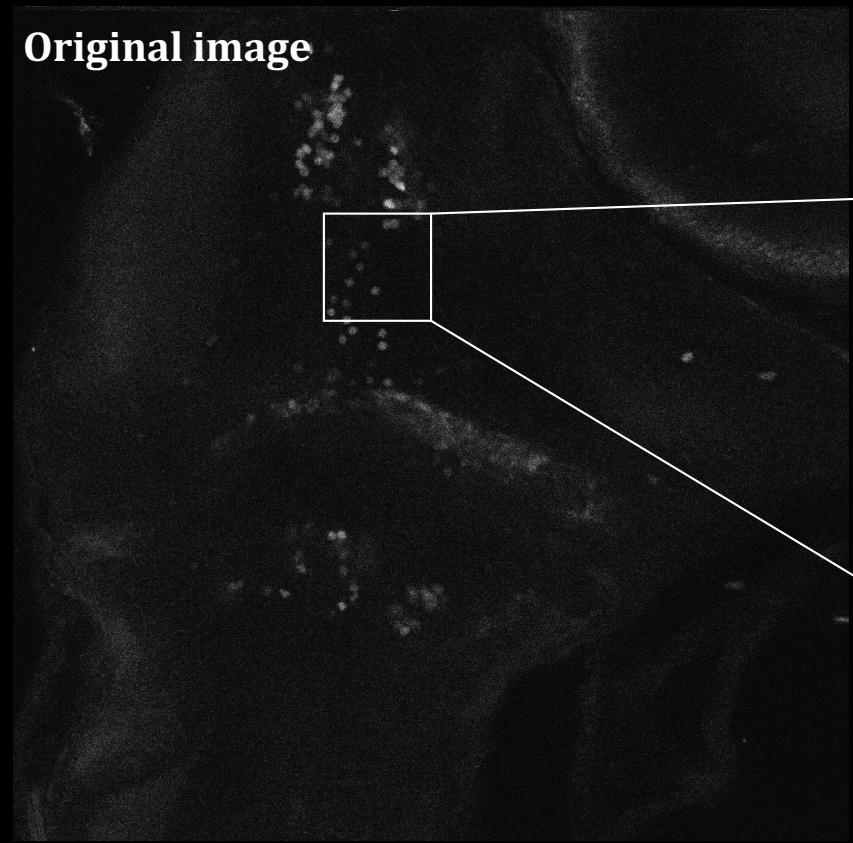


Undesirable foreground

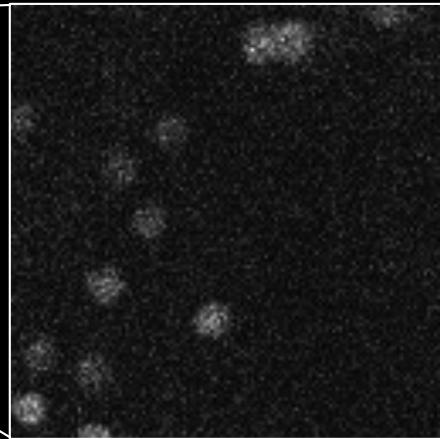


Dataset

Original image

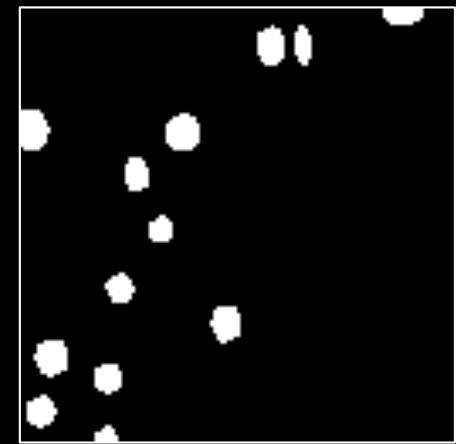


Crop
128 x 128 pixel

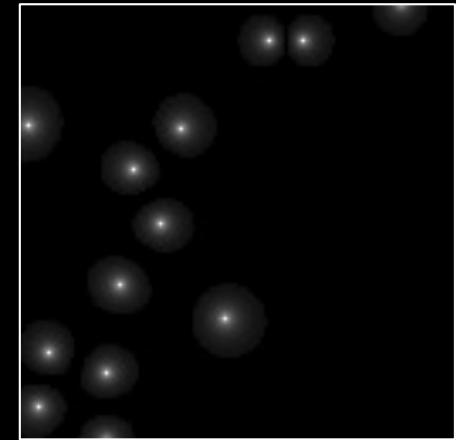


60% Training
25% Validation
15% Testing

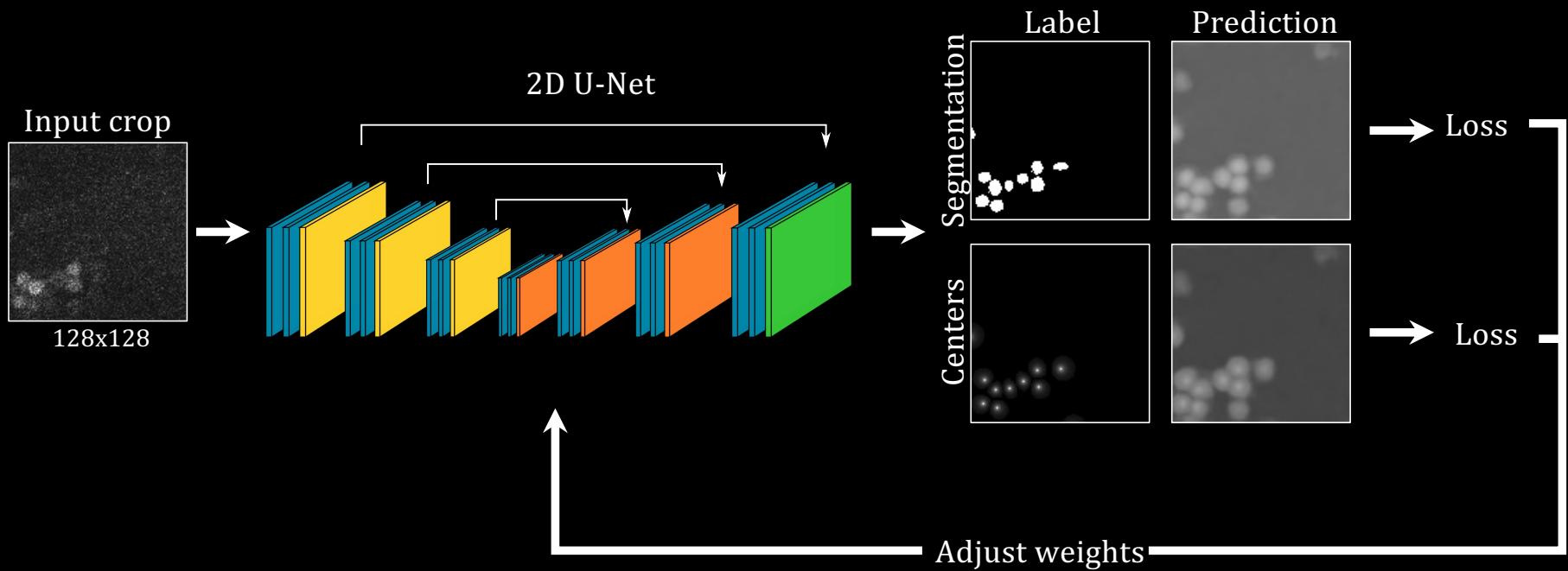
Manual labels

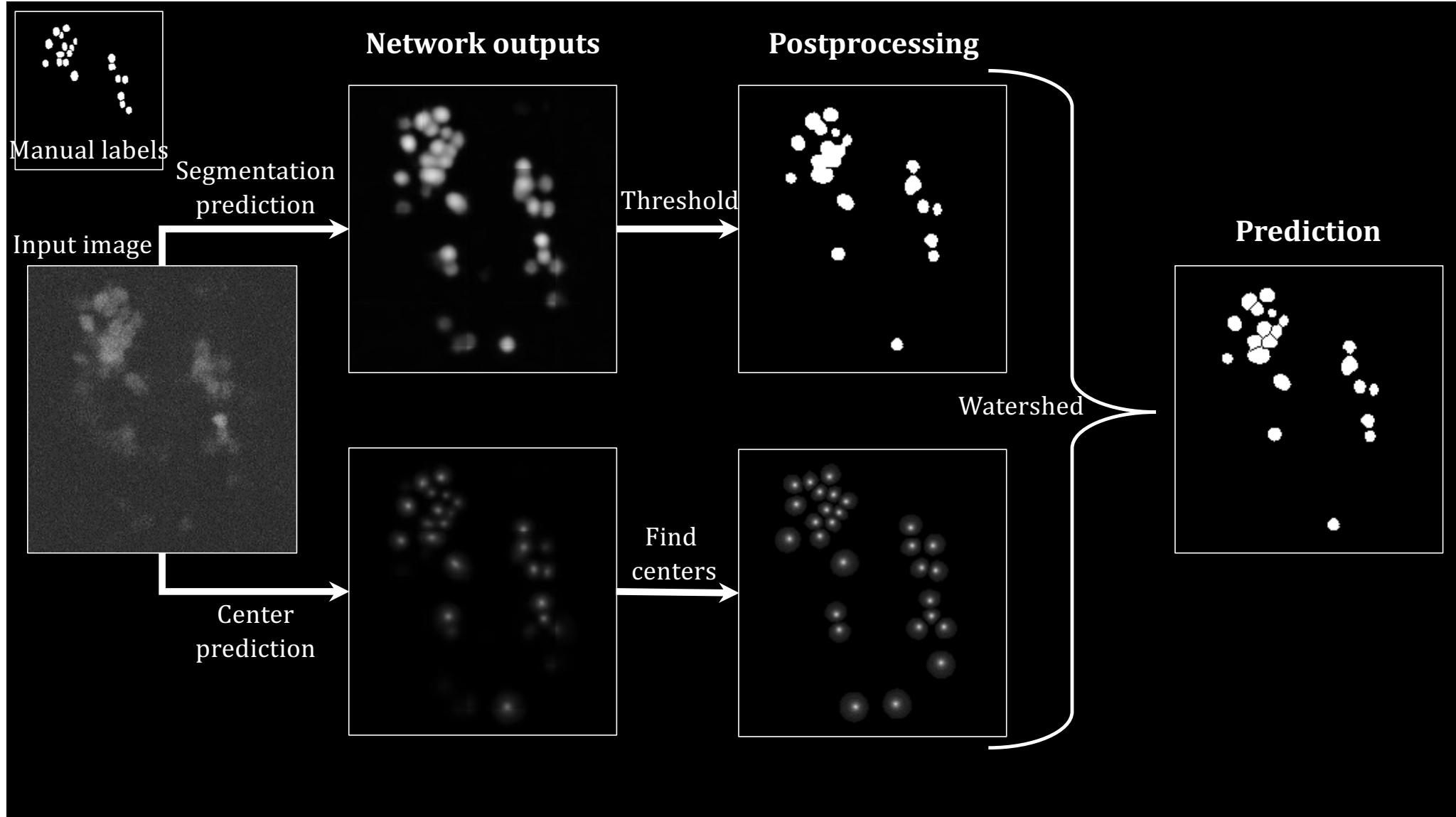


Cell centers

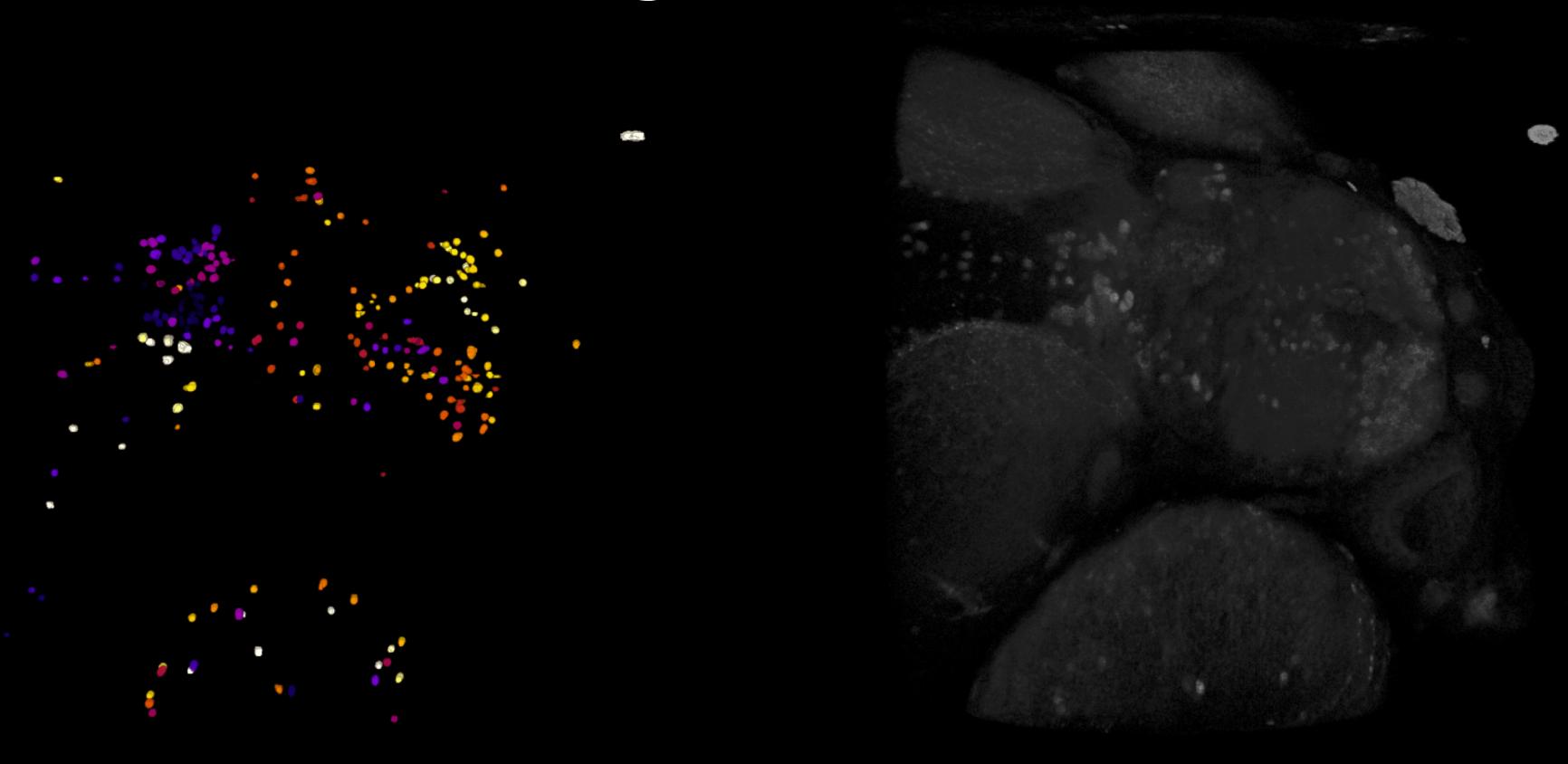


Fully convolutional network : U-Net





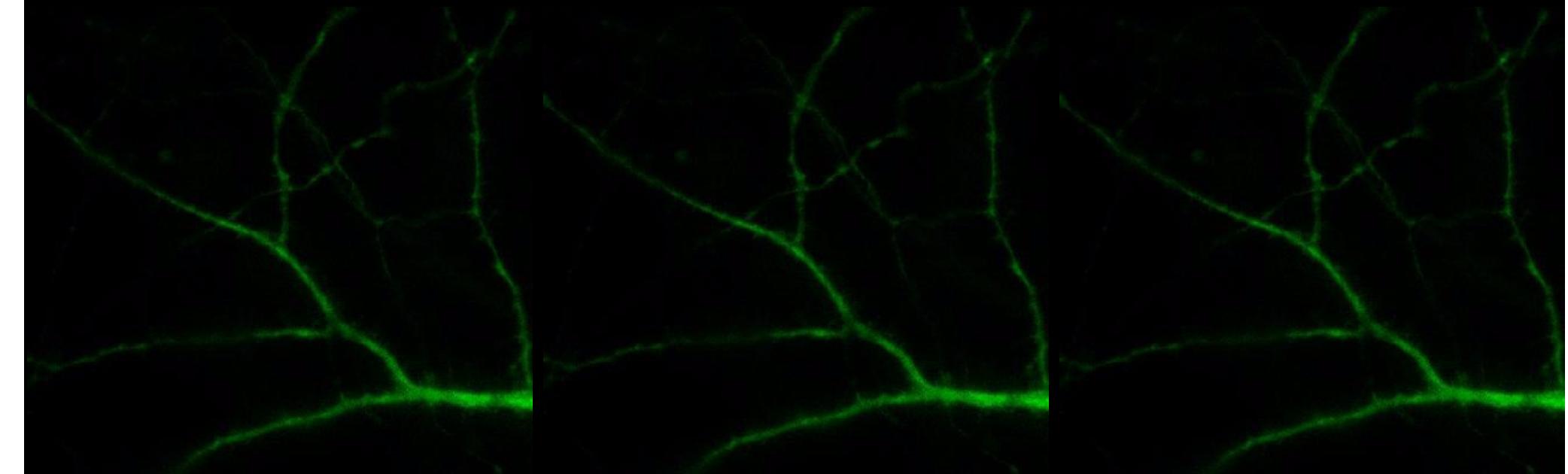
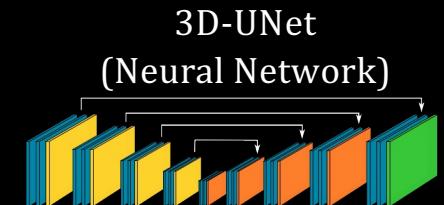
Automated 3D segmentation



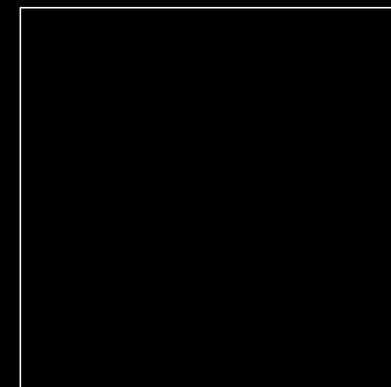
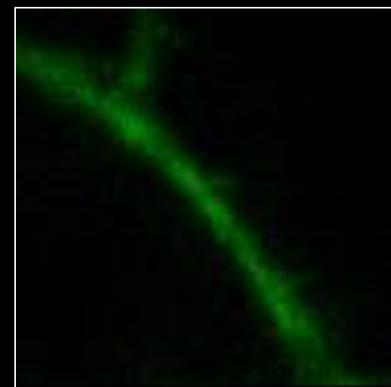
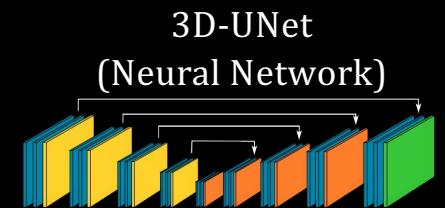
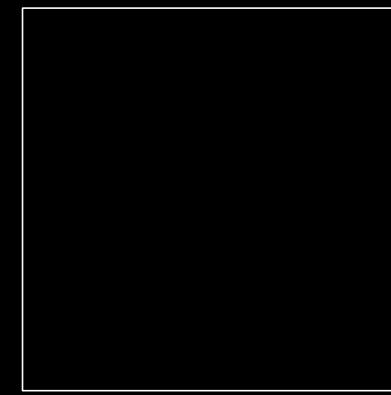
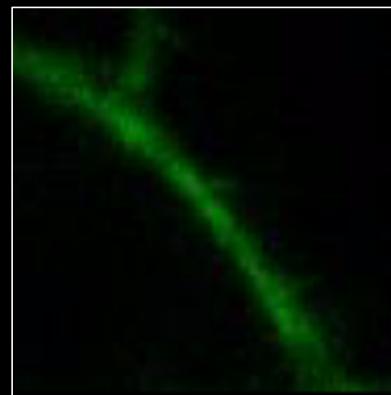
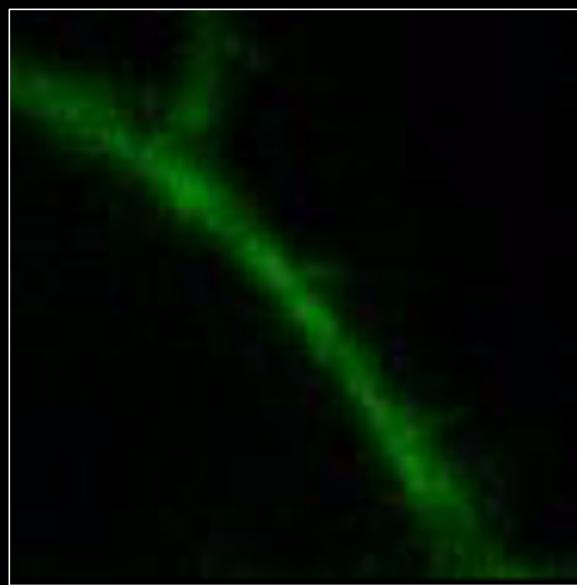
Detection of neuronal activity with a 3D neural network

Widefield imaging – GCaMP6f
spontaneous miniature Ca^{2+} events

Foreground detection
(classical Matlab analysis)



Increased segmentation precision with a 3D neural network

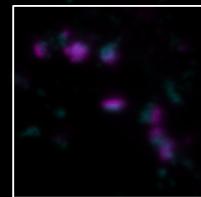


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Challenges

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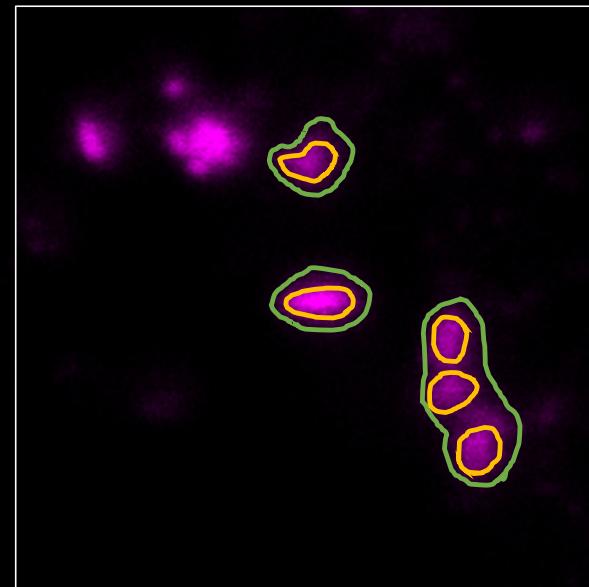
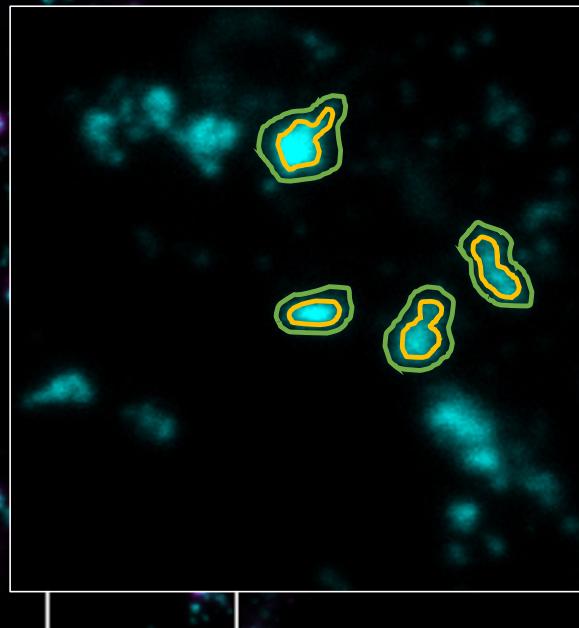
5 µm

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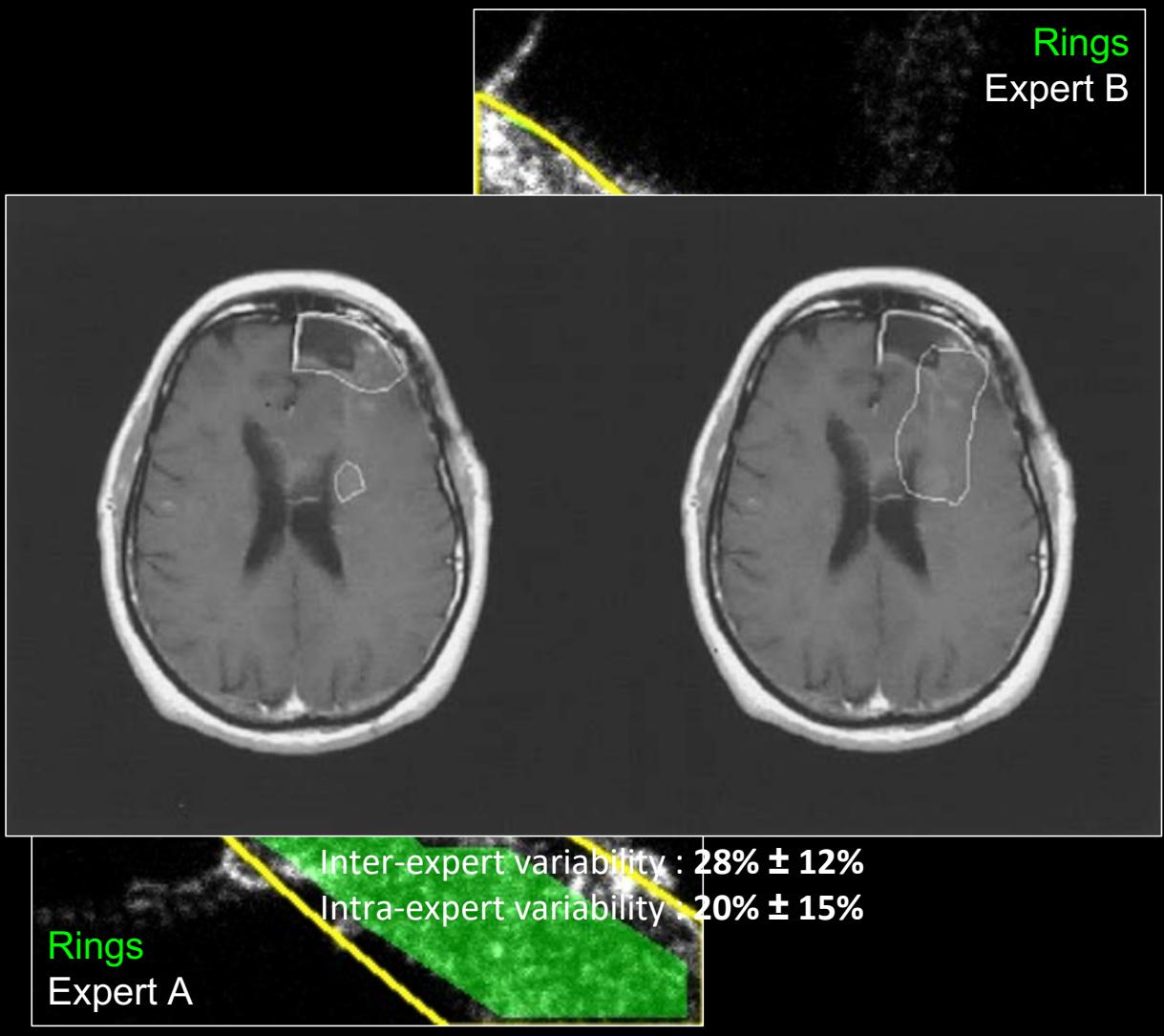


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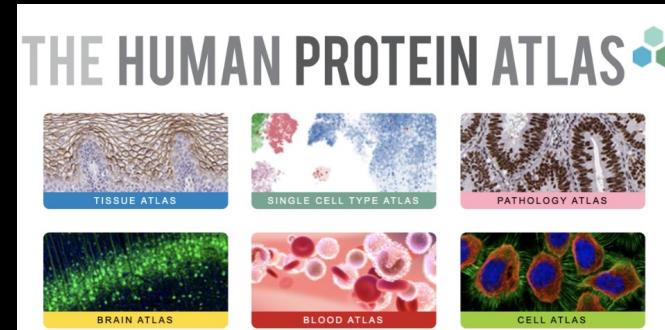
Expert variability

Mazzara *et al.*, J Rad Onco (2004);



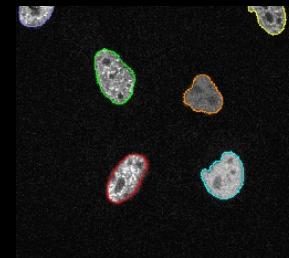
Challenges

Datasets

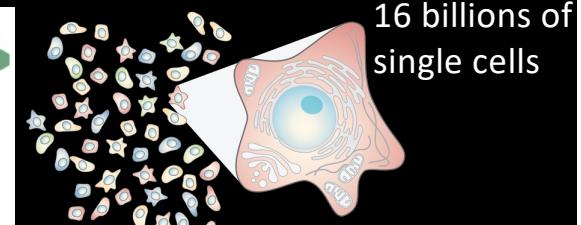


~ 125 000 images – Cell Atlas

Cell tracking challenge



14 000 000 images
1 000 000 images with bbox



JUMP Cell-Painting Consortium



THINGS Datasets

- **Hystopathology Astrocyte dataset**
8730 patches of 500×500 pixels
Olar et al. **2024** *Scientific Data*

- **F-actin dataset**
~ 200 large images
Lavoie-Cardinal et al. **2020** *Scientific Reports*

Challenges

Generalization properties

