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In [1]: # --- Standard Library Imports
        import os # Operating system interaction
        import sys # Access to system-specific parameters and functions
        import json # Reading and writing JSON configuration
        import zipfile # Handling ZIP file creation
        # --- Third-party Imports -
        import cv2 # OpenCV for image processing
        import numpy as np # Numerical operations
        import pandas as pd # Data manipulation and tables
        import openpyxl # Excel file I/O
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # Plotting
        import matplotlib # Matplotlib config
        matplotlib.use("Qt5Agg") # Use Qt5Agg backend for GUI support
        # --- PyQt5 GUI Components -
        from PyQt5.QtWidgets import (
            QApplication, QWidget, QLabel, QLineEdit, QPushButton,
            QVBoxLayout, QHBoxLayout, QFileDialog, QMessageBox,
            QTextEdit, QInputDialog, QComboBox
        # --- Image I/O -
        import imageio.v2 as imageio # Image reading/writing (legacy v2 API)
        # --- Skimage Modules for Image Processing -
        from skimage.measure import label, regionprops # Region Labeling
        from skimage.filters import threshold_li, threshold_otsu, threshold_isodata # 7
        from skimage import data, filters, measure, morphology # Generic image ops
        from skimage.color import rgb2gray # Convert RGB to grayscale
        from skimage.morphology import (
            opening, remove_small_objects, remove_small_holes, disk
        ) # Morphological ops
        from skimage import exposure, color # Image enhancement and color ops
        from skimage.feature import peak local max # Peak detection
        from skimage.segmentation import (
            morphological_chan_vese, slic, active_contour,
           watershed, random walker
        ) # Various segmentation algorithms
        from skimage.io import imread # Image reading
        from skimage.transform import resize # Image resizing
        from skimage import draw # Drawing shapes
        # --- SciPy for Advanced Processing -
        import scipy.ndimage as ndi # Multidimensional processing
        from scipy.ndimage import distance_transform_edt, label as ndi_label # Distance
        from scipy import ndimage # General ndimage support
        from scipy.signal import find peaks # Signal peak detection
        # -- Machine Learning
        from sklearn.cluster import KMeans # Clustering (e.g., for region grouping)
        # --- Excel Writing -
        from xlsxwriter import Workbook # Advanced Excel writing
        # --- Qt Event Processing -
        QApplication.processEvents() # Process any pending GUI events
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# --- Threading & Event Control -
from threading import Event # Used to signal stopping of processing
# --- Utilities -
from collections import defaultdict # Dictionary that creates default values au
# GUI Application Class for Image Processing
class ImageProcessingApp(QWidget):
   def __init__(self):
        super().__init__()
        self.initUI() # Set up GUI Layout
        # Default scale mapping (µm to pixels)
        self.um_to_px_map = {
            "40": 5.64039652,
            "100": 13.889
        # Initialize folder paths and control flags
        self.bf_folder = ""
        self.pl_folder = ""
        self.output_folder = ""
        self.processing_active = False # Track if a process is currently runnin
        self.stop_event = Event() # Event to handle stop signal
        self.load_scale_settings() # Load saved scale mappings
    def initUI(self):
        # Create the GUI Layout
        layout = QVBoxLayout()
        # Label and input for pixel distance
        self.pixel_distance_label = QLabel("Distance in pixels:")
        self.pixel distance input = QLineEdit()
        self.pixel_distance_input.setText("NOT VALUE")
        # Label and combo box for known μm distances
        self.known um label = QLabel("Known distance (μm):")
        self.known_um_combo = QComboBox()
        self.known um combo.setEditable(True)
        self.known um combo.addItems(["40", "100"])
        self.known um combo.setCurrentText("NOT VALUE")
        self.known_um_combo.setInsertPolicy(QComboBox.InsertAtBottom)
        self.known_um_combo.lineEdit().editingFinished.connect(self.on_custom_um
        self.known_um_combo.currentIndexChanged.connect(self.update_pixel_distan
        # Labels for folder selection display
        self.bf_label = QLabel("BF Folder: Not selected")
        self.pl label = QLabel("PL Folder: Not selected")
        self.output_label = QLabel("Output Folder: Not selected")
        # Buttons for actions and controls
        self.set_scale_button = QPushButton("Set μm to px Scale")
        self.delete_scale_button = QPushButton("Delete Selected Scale")
        self.bf_button = QPushButton("Select BF Folder")
        self.pl_button = QPushButton("Select PL Folder")
        self.output_button = QPushButton("Select Output Folder")
        self.process_button = QPushButton("Number of crystals")
        self.process_button_2 = QPushButton("Areas")
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self.process_button_3 = QPushButton("Number of cells")
    self.stop_button = QPushButton("Stop Processing")
    self.restart_button = QPushButton("Restart Processing")
    # Log output window
    self.log output = QTextEdit()
    self.log_output.setReadOnly(True)
    # Connect button actions to their corresponding methods
    self.set_scale_button.clicked.connect(self.set_known_um_and_px)
    self.delete_scale_button.clicked.connect(self.delete_selected_scale)
    self.bf_button.clicked.connect(self.select_bf_folder)
    self.pl_button.clicked.connect(self.select_pl_folder)
    self.output_button.clicked.connect(self.select_output_folder)
    self.process_button.clicked.connect(self.start_processing)
    self.process_button_2.clicked.connect(self.start_processing_2)
    self.process_button_3.clicked.connect(self.start_processing_3)
    self.stop_button.clicked.connect(self.stop_processing)
    self.restart_button.clicked.connect(self.restart_processing)
    # Add widgets to the GUI Layout
    layout.addWidget(self.set_scale_button)
    layout.addWidget(self.delete_scale_button)
    layout.addWidget(self.pixel_distance_label)
    layout.addWidget(self.pixel_distance_input)
    layout.addWidget(self.known_um_label)
    layout.addWidget(self.known_um_combo)
    layout.addWidget(self.bf_label)
    layout.addWidget(self.bf_button)
    layout.addWidget(self.pl label)
    layout.addWidget(self.pl_button)
    layout.addWidget(self.output_label)
    layout.addWidget(self.output_button)
    layout.addWidget(self.process_button)
    layout.addWidget(self.process button 2)
    layout.addWidget(self.process_button_3)
    layout.addWidget(self.log output)
    layout.addWidget(self.stop_button)
    layout.addWidget(self.restart_button)
    # Finalize window settings
    self.setLayout(layout)
    self.setWindowTitle("Batch Image Processing")
    self.resize(500, 400)
def log(self, message):
    # Append a log message to the log output display (likely a QTextEdit or
    self.log output.append(message)
def on custom um entered(self):
    # Handle user entering a custom \mum value in the combo box
   text = self.known_um_combo.currentText().strip()
   # If the entered text is not already in the combo box, add it
    if text not in [self.known_um_combo.itemText(i) for i in range(self.know
        self.known_um_combo.addItem(text)
def update_pixel_distance(self):
    # Update the pixel distance input field based on the selected scale
   text = self.known_um_combo.currentText()
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# If the scale is known, set the corresponding px value; otherwise clear
    if text in self.um_to_px_map:
        self.pixel_distance_input.setText(str(self.um_to_px_map[text]))
   else:
        self.pixel distance input.clear()
def select bf folder(self):
    # Prompt user to select a folder for BF (Brightfield) images
    self.bf_folder = QFileDialog.getExistingDirectory(self, "Select BF Folde
    self.bf_label.setText(f"BF Folder: {self.bf_folder}")
def select_pl_folder(self):
    # Prompt user to select a folder for PL (Polarized Light) images
    self.pl_folder = QFileDialog.getExistingDirectory(self, "Select PL Folde")
    self.pl_label.setText(f"PL Folder: {self.pl_folder}")
def select_output_folder(self):
    # Prompt user to select a folder to save outputs
    self.output_folder = QFileDialog.getExistingDirectory(self, "Select Outp
    self.output_label.setText(f"Output Folder: {self.output_folder}")
def stop_processing(self):
   # Set the stop event flag to signal that processing should stop
    self.stop_event.set()
    self.log("Stopping process...")
def restart_processing(self):
   # Stop current process and then start Script 3 again
    self.stop processing()
    self.log("Restarting processing...")
    self.start_processing_3()
def save_scale_settings(self):
    # Save the scale mapping dictionary to a JSON file
   with open('scale_map.json', 'w') as f:
        json.dump(self.um to px map, f)
def load scale settings(self):
    # Load scale mapping from a JSON file; use defaults if not found
   try:
        with open('scale map.json', 'r') as f:
            self.um to px map = json.load(f)
    except FileNotFoundError:
        # Fallback to default values if file is missing
        self.um_to_px_map = {
            "20": 1.29,
           "40": 5.64,
            "100": 13.89,
            "200": 4.78
        }
    # Clear and update the known µm combo box with loaded values
    self.known_um_combo.clear()
    self.known_um_combo.addItems(self.um_to_px_map.keys())
def set_known_um_and_px(self):
    # Prompt user to input a known real-world micrometer value
    known_um, ok1 = QInputDialog.getDouble(self, "Known µm", "Enter known mi
    if not ok1:
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return
    # Prompt user to input the corresponding pixel distance
    distance_px, ok2 = QInputDialog.getDouble(self, "Distance in Pixels", "E
    if not ok2 or distance_px == 0:
        return
    # Calculate µm per pixel ratio
    um_per_px = known_um / distance_px
    name = f"{known_um}"
   # Save this new scale in the map and refresh the combo box
    self.um_to_px_map[name] = um_per_px
    self.save_scale_settings()
    self.load_scale_settings()
    self.known_um_combo.setCurrentText(name)
    # Notify user that scale was saved
    QMessageBox.information(self, "Saved", f"Added mapping '{name}' = {um_pe
def load_scales_from_json(self):
    # Load scales from a predefined JSON file, fallback to default if failed
   try:
        with open("scales.json", "r") as f:
            scales = json.load(f)
        return scales
    except Exception:
        return {"20": 1.29, "40": 5.64, "100": 13.89, "200": 4.78}
def add new scale(self, scale name, scale value):
    # Add new scale mapping and save it
    self.um_to_px_map[scale_name] = scale_value
    self.save_scale_settings()
def delete selected scale(self):
    # Delete selected scale from the combo box and mapping
    selected_scale = self.known_um_combo.currentText()
    # Only allow deletion of user-defined scales, not defaults
    if selected_scale in self.um_to_px_map and selected_scale not in ["20",
        confirm = QMessageBox.question(
            self,
            "Confirm Deletion",
            f"Are you sure you want to delete the scale '{selected_scale}'?"
            QMessageBox.Yes QMessageBox.No
        if confirm == QMessageBox.Yes:
            del self.um to px map[selected scale]
            self.save_scale_settings()
            self.load scale settings()
            self.pixel_distance_input.clear()
            self.known_um_combo.setCurrentText("NOT VALUE")
            self.log(f"Deleted scale '{selected_scale}'")
    else:
        # Warn if trying to delete a protected or non-existing scale
        QMessageBox.warning(self, "Not Found", f"The scale '{selected_scale}
def start_processing(self):
    # Flag to indicate that processing is active
    self.processing_active = True
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# Reset the stop event in case it was triggered during a previous run
self.stop_event.clear()
# Validate that all necessary folders (BF, PL, and Output) have been sel
if not self.bf folder or not self.pl folder or not self.output folder:
    self.log("Please select all folders before starting.")
try:
    # Read user input for scale calibration
    distance_in_px = float(self.pixel_distance_input.text()) # Distance
    known_um = float(self.known_um_combo.currentText())
                                                              # Known re
    # Prevent division by zero when calculating pixel-to-micron scale
    if distance_in_px == 0:
        raise ValueError("Distance in pixels cannot be zero.")
    # Compute pixel-to-micrometer conversion factor
    pixel_to_um = 1 / (known_um / distance_in_px)
except ValueError:
    # Show warning if input is invalid or conversion fails
    QMessageBox.warning(self, "Input Error", "Please enter valid numeric
    return None
# Create the output directory if it doesn't already exist
os.makedirs(self.output_folder, exist_ok=True)
# Collect and sort all .tif files in both BF and PL folders
bf_files = sorted([f for f in os.listdir(self.bf_folder) if f.endswith('
pl_files = sorted([f for f in os.listdir(self.pl_folder) if f.endswith(
# Check that the number of BF and PL images match for paired processing
if len(bf_files) != len(pl_files):
    raise ValueError("Mismatch in the number of BF and PL .tif files.")
# List to keep track of output files generated during processing
all output files = []
# Placeholder for storing row data to summarize in Excel or logs
summary_rows = []
# Batch process each pair of Brightfield (BF) and Polarized Light (PL) i
for bf_file, pl_file in zip(bf_files, pl_files):
    print(f"Processing: {bf_file} and {pl_file}")
    # Allow user to stop processing midway
    if self.stop event.is set():
        self.log("Processing stopped.")
        return
    self.log(f"Processing {bf_file} and {pl_file}...")
    # Load BF and PL images
    bf_image_path = os.path.join(self.bf_folder, bf_file)
    pl_image_path = os.path.join(self.pl_folder, pl_file)
    imageA = cv2.imread(bf_image_path)
    imageB = cv2.imread(pl_image_path)
    # Skip if images failed to load
    if imageA is None or imageB is None:
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print(f"Skipping {bf_file} or {pl_file}: Unable to load image.")
    continue
# Convert BF image to grayscale
grayA = rgb2gray(imageA)
# --- Remove bottom-right scale bar region to avoid false detections
h, w = grayA.shape
crop_margin_h = int(0.015 * h) # ~1.5% of height
crop_margin_w = int(0.025 * w) # ~2.5% of width
# Mask the scale bar region (bottom-right) from analysis
mask = np.ones_like(grayA, dtype=bool)
mask[h - crop_margin_h:, w - crop_margin_w:] = False
grayA = grayA * mask # Apply mask to grayscale image
# Enhance contrast using adaptive histogram equalization
grayA = exposure.equalize_adapthist(grayA)
# Denoise the image using bilateral filtering
grayA = cv2.bilateralFilter((grayA * 255).astype(np.uint8), 9, 75, 7
# Segment the image using Otsu's thresholding
threshold = threshold otsu(grayA)
binary_A = (grayA < threshold).astype(np.uint8) * 255</pre>
# Apply morphological operations to clean segmentation
binary_A = morphology.opening(binary_A)
binary_A = morphology.remove_small_objects(binary_A.astype(bool), mi
binary A = morphology.dilation(binary A, morphology.disk(6))
binary_A = morphology.remove_small_holes(binary_A, area_threshold=50)
binary_A = morphology.closing(binary_A, morphology.disk(6))
binary_A = (binary_A > 0).astype(np.uint8) * 255
# Label connected regions
region_labels_A = label(binary_A)
region props A = regionprops(region labels A)
# Create mask for excluding cropped scale bar area
crop_start_row = h - crop_margin_h
crop start col = w - crop margin w
crop mask = np.zeros like(region labels A, dtype=bool)
crop_mask[crop_start_row:, crop_start_col:] = True
# Filter out regions that intersect with the cropped area
filtered labels = []
for region in region_props_A:
   region mask = (region labels A == region.label)
   if not np.any(region_mask & crop_mask):
        filtered_labels.append(region.label)
# Generate new label image without excluded regions
new label img = np.zeros like(region labels A, dtype=np.int32)
label counter = 1
for lbl in filtered labels:
    new_label_img[region_labels_A == lbl] = label_counter
    label_counter += 1
# Refresh region labels and properties
region labels A = new label img
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region_props_A = regionprops(region_labels_A)
# Calculate region area statistics for filtering/splitting
areas = [region.area for region in region_props_A]
media_area = np.median(areas)
std area = np.std(areas)
average = media_area + std_area # Adaptive threshold
# --- Save histogram of region areas ---
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 5))
plt.hist(areas, bins=20, color='skyblue', edgecolor='black')
plt.title("Histogram of Region Areas")
plt.xlabel("Area (pixels)")
plt.ylabel("Frequency")
plt.grid(True)
plt.tight_layout()
hist_areas_image_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.
plt.savefig(hist_areas_image_path, dpi=300, bbox_inches='tight')
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents()
print(f"Saved histogram for {bf_file} to {hist_areas_image_path}")
all_output_files.append(hist_areas_image_path)
# Refine Label image: keep small regions, split large ones using wat
for region in region_props_A:
    if region.area < average:</pre>
        new_label_img[region.slice][region.image] = label_counter
        label_counter += 1
    else:
        region_mask = np.zeros_like(region_labels_A, dtype=np.uint8)
        region_mask[region.slice][region.image] = 1
        distance = ndi.distance_transform_edt(region_mask)
        coordinates = peak_local_max(distance, labels=region_mask, m
        local_maxi = np.zeros_like(distance, dtype=bool)
        local maxi[tuple(coordinates.T)] = True
        markers = label(local maxi)
        labels ws = watershed(-distance, markers, mask=region mask)
        for ws_label in np.unique(labels_ws):
            if ws label == 0:
                continue
            mask = labels ws == ws label
            new label img[mask] = label counter
            label counter += 1
# Final labeled image after splitting
region_labels_A = new_label_img
region props A = regionprops(region labels A)
# Ensure binary mask matches grayscale shape
if binary A.shape != grayA.shape:
    binary_A = resize(binary_A, grayA.shape, order=0, preserve_range
# --- Visualize segmentation ---
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 8))
plt.imshow(region_labels_A, cmap='nipy_spectral')
plt.title('Segmentation')
plt.axis('off')
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents()
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# Annotate region labels on binary image
overlay_image = cv2.cvtColor((binary_A > 0).astype(np.uint8) * 255,
for region in regionprops(region_labels_A):
    y, x = region.centroid
    label_id = region.label
    cv2.putText(overlay_image, str(region.label), (int(x), int(y)),c
# Save annotated segmentation image
annotated_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.splitex
cv2.imwrite(annotated_path, overlay_image)
print(f"Saved annotated image with labels to {annotated_path}")
all_output_files.append(annotated_path)
# Create binary mask with only valid detected regions
filtered_binary_A = np.zeros_like(binary_A)
for prop in region_props_A:
    if prop.area > 0:
        min_row, min_col, max_row, max_col = prop.bbox
        filtered_binary_A[min_row:max_row, min_col:max_col] = (
            region_labels_A[min_row:max_row, min_col:max_col] == pro
filtered_binary_A = (filtered_binary_A > 0).astype(np.uint8) * 255
# --- Save region statistics to Excel ---
region_area = pd.DataFrame({
    "Region_Label": [region.label for region in region_props_A],
    "Region_Area (pixels)": [region.area for region in region_props_
    "Region_Area (μm²)": [region.area * (pixel_to_um ** 2) for regio
})
# Filter out regions with non-positive area (shouldn't happen, but s
region_area_df = region_area[region_area["Region_Area (μm²)"] > 0]
total_area = region_area_df["Region_Area (μm²)"].sum()
total_cells = region_area_df["Region_Label"].count()
# Append summary rows
region area df.loc["Total Area"] = ["", "Total Area", total area]
region_area_df.loc["Total Cells"] = ["", "Total Cells", total_cells]
# Save region stats to Excel
region area excel path = os.path.join(self.output folder, f"{os.path
print(f"Saved region areas for {bf_file} to {region_area_excel_path}
# --- Plot histogram of pixel intensities ---
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
plt.hist(grayA.ravel(), bins=256, range=[0, 255], color='blue', alph
plt.axvline(threshold, color='red', linestyle='dashed', linewidth=2,
plt.title('Histogram of Pixel Intensities')
plt.xlabel('Pixel Intensity')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.legend()
# Save the pixel intensity histogram
hist cells image path = os.path.join(self.output folder, f"{os.path.
plt.savefig(hist_cells_image_path, dpi=300, bbox_inches='tight')
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents()
print(f"Saved histogram for {bf_file} to {annotated_path}")
all_output_files.append(hist_cells_image_path)
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# Convert BF image to grayscale and enhance contrast
grayB = rgb2gray(imageB)
grayB = exposure.equalize_adapthist(grayB)
# Apply bilateral filter to reduce noise
grayB = cv2.bilateralFilter((grayB * 255).astype(np.uint8), 9, 75, 7
# Calculate dynamic threshold
mean_intensity = np.mean(grayB)
std_intensity = np.std(grayB)
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dynamic_threshold = mean_intensity + 4 * std_intensity
# Apply dynamic threshold
binary_B = (grayB > dynamic_threshold).astype(np.uint8)
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
plt.hist(grayB.ravel(), bins=256, range=[0, 255], color='blue', alph
plt.axvline(dynamic_threshold, color='red', linestyle='dashed', line
plt.title('Histogram of Pixel Intensities')
plt.xlabel('Pixel Intensity')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.legend()
# Save the histogram image
hist_crystals_image_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.pa
plt.savefig(hist_crystals_image_path, dpi=300, bbox_inches='tight')
#plt.show()
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents() # Refresh PyQt GUI
print(f"Saved histogram for {bf_file} to {hist_crystals_image_path}"
all_output_files.append(hist_crystals_image_path)
QApplication.processEvents() # Refresh PyQt GUI
# Resize for alignment
filtered_binary_A_resized = cv2.resize(binary_A, (2048, 2048), inter
binary_B_resized = cv2.resize(binary_B, (2048, 2048), interpolation=
# Overlap calculation
overlap = (np.logical_and(filtered_binary_A_resized > 0, binary_B_re
# Mask the scale bar in bottom-right (adjust size as needed)
h2, w2 = overlap.shape
overlap[h2-60:h2, w2-450:w2] = 0 # adjust 50 and 100 depending on t
# Save overlap results
overlap_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.splitext(
cv2.imwrite(overlap_path, overlap)
all_output_files.append(overlap_path)
# Save clustering information
region_to_cell_mapping = []
cell_labels = label(filtered_binary_A_resized)
cell_props = regionprops(cell_labels)
region_labels = label(overlap)
region_props = regionprops(region_labels)
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cell_to_crystals = defaultdict(list)
for region in region_props:
    region_coords = set(tuple(coord) for coord in region.coords)
    best match cell = None
    max_overlap = 0
    for cell in cell props:
        cell_coords = set(tuple(coord) for coord in cell.coords)
        overlap_area = len(region_coords & cell_coords)
        if overlap_area > max_overlap:
            max_overlap = overlap_area
            best_match_cell = cell.label
    region_to_cell_mapping.append({
        "Region_Label": region.label,
        "Associated_Cell": best_match_cell,
        "Overlap (pixels)": max_overlap,
        "Region_Area (pixels)": region.area,
        "Region_Area (μm²)": region.area * (pixel_to_um ** 2)
    })
    # 🗹 Store the crystal label for the matched cell
    if best_match_cell is not None:
        cell_to_crystals[best_match_cell].append(region.label)
# Save region-to-cell mapping as CSV
df_mapp = pd.DataFrame(region_to_cell_mapping)
df_mapping = df_mapp[(df_mapp["Region_Area (\mu^2)"] < 10) & (df_mapp[</pre>
# --- Properly count how many crystals are mapped to each cell ---
df_mapping["Associated_Cell_Count"] = df_mapping["Associated_Cell"].
# --- Add total number of distinct cells ---
total_distinct_cells = df_mapping["Associated_Cell"].nunique()
df mapping["Total Cells with crystals"] = total distinct cells
total_area = df_mapping["Region_Area (μm²)"].sum()
total_row = ["","","","Total Area Crystals", total_area,"",""]
# Insert the total row at the end with index "Total"
df_mapping.loc["Total"] = total_row
# Save cell-to-crystal list (for debugging or export) ---
cell crystal df = pd.DataFrame([
    {
        "Cell_Label": cell_label,
        "Crystal_Labels": ", ".join(map(str, crystals)),
        "Crystal_Count": len(crystals)
    for cell_label, crystals in cell_to_crystals.items()
1)
# --- Save Excel ---
mapping excel path = os.path.join(self.output folder, f"{os.path.spl
# --- Merge with region area data ---
merged_df = df_mapping.merge(region_area_df, left_on="Associated_Cel")
grouped_xlsx_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.spli
with pd.ExcelWriter(grouped_xlsx_path, engine='xlsxwriter') as write
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region_area_df.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Cells', index=False)
    df_mapping.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Crystals', index=False)
    #merged_df.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Cells + crystals', index
    cell_crystal_df.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Cell-to-crystal map
print(f"Saved results for {bf file} to {grouped xlsx path}")
# Visualization
annotated_image = imageA.copy()
for mapping in region_to_cell_mapping:
   region_label = mapping["Region_Label"]
   associated_cell = mapping["Associated_Cell"]
   if associated_cell:
       region = next(r for r in region_props if r.label == region_l
       min_row, min_col, max_row, max_col = region.bbox
       cv2.rectangle(annotated_image, (min_col, min_row), (max_col,
       cv2.putText(
           annotated_image,
           f"Cell {associated_cell}",
            (min_col, min_row - 5),
           cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMPLEX,
           0.3,
           (255, 0, 0),
        )
# Plot both binary_A and binary_B
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12, 6))
# Show detections
ax[0].imshow(annotated_image, cmap='gray')
ax[0].set_title('Detections')
ax[0].axis('off') # Hide axes
# Show coincidences
ax[1].imshow(overlap, cmap='gray')
ax[1].set title('Coincidences')
ax[1].axis('off') # Hide axes
plt.tight_layout()
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents() # Refresh PyQt GUI
# Save annotated image
annotated_image_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.s
cv2.imwrite(annotated_image_path, annotated_image)
print(f"Saved results for {bf file} to {self.output folder}")
all output files.append(annotated image path)
# ----- Summary -----
# Calculate the percentage of cells that contain at least one crysta
Percentage = f"{(total_distinct_cells / total_cells * 100):.2f}%" if
# Append summary statistics for this image to the report
summary_rows.append({
    "Day": os.path.splitext(bf_file)[0],
                                             # Use base filename (w
    "total_cells": total_cells,
                                             # Total number of segm
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"cells_with_crystals": total_distinct_cells, # Number of cells
        "%_cells_with_crystals": Percentage # Percent of cells wit
    })
# ----- Generate Summary Plot -----
# Create a DataFrame from the collected summary information
summary_df = pd.DataFrame(summary_rows)
# Ensure the "Day" column is treated as a string for proper sorting
summary_df["Day"] = summary_df["Day"].astype(str)
summary_df = summary_df.sort_values(by="Day")
# Convert percentage column from string (e.g., "12.5%") to float (e.g.,
summary_df["%_cells_with_crystals"] = summary_df["%_cells_with_crystals"
# Extract numeric part from the "Day" string for grouping (e.g., "3A" \rightarrow
summary_df["DAYS"] = summary_df["Day"].str.extract(r"(\d+)") # Only dig
# Group by numeric day and compute mean and standard deviation of the pe
grouped_df = summary_df.groupby("DAYS").agg({
    "%_cells_with_crystals": ["mean", "std"]
}).reset_index()
# Flatten multi-level column names after aggregation
grouped_df.columns = ["DAYS", "mean_percentage", "std_percentage"]
# Convert DAYS to integer for proper numerical sorting
grouped_df["DAYS"] = grouped_df["DAYS"].astype(int)
grouped_df = grouped_df.sort_values(by="DAYS")
# Determine the Y-axis limit (max percentage + buffer, capped at 100%)
max_percentage = grouped_df["mean_percentage"].max()
y_max_limit = min(100, max_percentage + 10)
# Plot average % of cells with crystals per day
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(
   grouped df["DAYS"],
    grouped_df["mean_percentage"],
   marker='o',
    linestyle='-',
    color='blue',
   linewidth=2,
   label="Average"
# Draw vertical lines for ±1 standard deviation
for x, y, std in zip(grouped_df["DAYS"], grouped_df["mean_percentage"],
    plt.vlines(
       X=X,
       ymin=y - std,
       ymax=y + std,
       color='blue',
       alpha=0.7,
       linewidth=2,
       label='±1 STD' if x == grouped df["DAYS"].iloc[0] else ""
    )
# Avoid duplicate legend entries
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handles, labels = plt.gca().get_legend_handles_labels()
    by_label = dict(zip(labels, handles))
    plt.legend(by_label.values(), by_label.keys())
    plt.title("Average % Cells with Crystals", fontsize=14)
    plt.xlabel("Day", fontsize=12)
    plt.ylabel("% Cells with Crystals", fontsize=12)
    plt.ylim(0, y_max_limit)
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.pause(0.001)
    QApplication.processEvents()
    # Save the plot image
    plot_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, "Plot.png")
    plt.savefig(plot_path, dpi=300)
    plt.pause(0.001)
   QApplication.processEvents()
    # Save the grouped summary data to Excel
    grouped_df.to_excel(os.path.join(self.output_folder, "Plot.xlsx"), index
   self.log("Processing complete!")
    # ----- Zip Result Files ------
    # Create a ZIP archive with all saved result images
    zip_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, "All_Images_histograms.zip")
   with zipfile.ZipFile(zip_path, 'w') as zipf:
        for file_path in all_output_files:
            zipf.write(file_path, arcname=os.path.basename(file_path))
    # Delete the individual files after zipping
   for file_path in all_output_files:
        if os.path.exists(file_path):
           os.remove(file_path)
def start_processing_2(self):
    # Flag to indicate that processing is active
   self.processing_active = True
   # Reset the stop event in case it was triggered during a previous run
   self.stop event.clear()
   # Validate that all necessary folders (BF, PL, and Output) have been sel
    if not self.bf_folder or not self.pl_folder or not self.output_folder:
        self.log("Please select all folders before starting.")
        return
   try:
        # Read user input for scale calibration
        distance_in_px = float(self.pixel_distance_input.text()) # Distance
        known_um = float(self.known_um_combo.currentText())
        # Prevent division by zero when calculating pixel-to-micron scale
        if distance in px == 0:
           raise ValueError("Distance in pixels cannot be zero.")
        # Compute pixel-to-micrometer conversion factor
        pixel_to_um = 1 / (known_um / distance_in_px)
    except ValueError:
        # Show warning if input is invalid or conversion fails
        QMessageBox.warning(self, "Input Error", "Please enter valid numeric
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return None
# Create the output directory if it doesn't already exist
os.makedirs(self.output_folder, exist_ok=True)
# Collect and sort all .tif files in both BF and PL folders
bf_files = sorted([f for f in os.listdir(self.bf_folder) if f.endswith('
pl_files = sorted([f for f in os.listdir(self.pl_folder) if f.endswith(
# Check that the number of BF and PL images match for paired processing
if len(bf_files) != len(pl_files):
    raise ValueError("Mismatch in the number of BF and PL .tif files.")
# List to keep track of output files generated during processing
all_output_files = []
# Placeholder for storing row data to summarize in Excel or logs
summary_rows = []
# Batch process each pair of Brightfield (BF) and Polarized Light (PL) i
for bf_file, pl_file in zip(bf_files, pl_files):
    print(f"Processing: {bf_file} and {pl_file}")
    # Allow user to stop processing midway
    if self.stop_event.is_set():
        self.log("Processing stopped.")
        return
    self.log(f"Processing {bf_file} and {pl_file}...")
    # Load BF and PL images
    bf_image_path = os.path.join(self.bf_folder, bf_file)
    pl_image_path = os.path.join(self.pl_folder, pl_file)
    imageA = cv2.imread(bf_image_path)
    imageB = cv2.imread(pl image path)
    # Skip if images failed to load
    if imageA is None or imageB is None:
        print(f"Skipping {bf_file} or {pl_file}: Unable to load image.")
        continue
    # Convert BF image to grayscale
    grayA = rgb2gray(imageA)
    # --- Remove bottom-right scale bar region to avoid false detections
    h, w = grayA.shape
    crop_margin_h = int(0.015 * h) # ~1.5% of height
    crop margin w = int(0.025 * w) # \sim 2.5\% of width
    # Mask the scale bar region (bottom-right) from analysis
   mask = np.ones_like(grayA, dtype=bool)
   mask[h - crop_margin_h:, w - crop_margin_w:] = False
    grayA = grayA * mask # Apply mask to grayscale image
    # Enhance contrast using adaptive histogram equalization
    grayA = exposure.equalize_adapthist(grayA)
    # Denoise the image using bilateral filtering
    grayA = cv2.bilateralFilter((grayA * 255).astype(np.uint8), 9, 75, 7
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# Segment the image using Otsu's thresholding
threshold = threshold_otsu(grayA)
binary_A = (grayA < threshold).astype(np.uint8) * 255</pre>
# Apply morphological operations to clean segmentation
binary_A = morphology.opening(binary_A)
binary_A = morphology.remove_small_objects(binary_A.astype(bool), mi
binary_A = morphology.dilation(binary_A, morphology.disk(6))
binary_A = morphology.remove_small_holes(binary_A, area_threshold=50)
binary_A = morphology.closing(binary_A, morphology.disk(6))
binary_A = (binary_A > 0).astype(np.uint8) * 255
# Label connected regions
region_labels_A = label(binary_A)
region_props_A = regionprops(region_labels_A)
# Create mask for excluding cropped scale bar area
crop_start_row = h - crop_margin_h
crop_start_col = w - crop_margin_w
crop_mask = np.zeros_like(region_labels_A, dtype=bool)
crop_mask[crop_start_row:, crop_start_col:] = True
# Filter out regions that intersect with the cropped area
filtered labels = []
for region in region_props_A:
   region_mask = (region_labels_A == region.label)
   if not np.any(region_mask & crop_mask):
        filtered_labels.append(region.label)
# Generate new label image without excluded regions
new_label_img = np.zeros_like(region_labels_A, dtype=np.int32)
label counter = 1
for lbl in filtered_labels:
   new_label_img[region_labels_A == lbl] = label_counter
    label counter += 1
# Refresh region labels and properties
region_labels_A = new_label_img
region_props_A = regionprops(region_labels_A)
# Calculate region area statistics for filtering/splitting
areas = [region.area for region in region props A]
media area = np.median(areas)
std_area = np.std(areas)
average = media_area + std_area # Adaptive threshold
# --- Save histogram of region areas ---
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 5))
plt.hist(areas, bins=20, color='skyblue', edgecolor='black')
plt.title("Histogram of Region Areas")
plt.xlabel("Area (pixels)")
plt.ylabel("Frequency")
plt.grid(True)
plt.tight layout()
hist_areas_image_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.
plt.savefig(hist_areas_image_path, dpi=300, bbox_inches='tight')
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents()
print(f"Saved histogram for {bf_file} to {hist_areas_image_path}")
all_output_files.append(hist_areas_image_path)
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# Refine label image: keep small regions, split large ones using wat
for region in region_props_A:
    if region.area < average:</pre>
        new_label_img[region.slice][region.image] = label_counter
        label counter += 1
    else:
        region_mask = np.zeros_like(region_labels_A, dtype=np.uint8)
        region_mask[region.slice][region.image] = 1
        distance = ndi.distance_transform_edt(region_mask)
        coordinates = peak_local_max(distance, labels=region_mask, m
        local_maxi = np.zeros_like(distance, dtype=bool)
        local_maxi[tuple(coordinates.T)] = True
        markers = label(local_maxi)
        labels_ws = watershed(-distance, markers, mask=region_mask)
        for ws_label in np.unique(labels_ws):
            if ws_label == 0:
                continue
            mask = labels ws == ws label
            new_label_img[mask] = label_counter
            label counter += 1
# Final labeled image after splitting
region_labels_A = new_label_img
region_props_A = regionprops(region_labels_A)
# Ensure binary mask matches grayscale shape
if binary_A.shape != grayA.shape:
    binary_A = resize(binary_A, grayA.shape, order=0, preserve_range
# --- Visualize segmentation ---
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 8))
plt.imshow(region_labels_A, cmap='nipy_spectral')
plt.title('Segmentation')
plt.axis('off')
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents()
# Annotate region labels on binary image
overlay_image = cv2.cvtColor((binary_A > 0).astype(np.uint8) * 255,
for region in regionprops(region labels A):
   y, x = region.centroid
   label id = region.label
    cv2.putText(overlay_image, str(region.label), (int(x), int(y)),c
# Save annotated segmentation image
annotated_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.splitex
cv2.imwrite(annotated path, overlay image)
print(f"Saved annotated image with labels to {annotated_path}")
all_output_files.append(annotated_path)
# Create binary mask with only valid detected regions
filtered binary A = np.zeros like(binary A)
for prop in region props A:
    if prop.area > 0:
        min_row, min_col, max_row, max_col = prop.bbox
        filtered_binary_A[min_row:max_row, min_col:max_col] = (
            region_labels_A[min_row:max_row, min_col:max_col] == pro
filtered_binary_A = (filtered_binary_A > 0).astype(np.uint8) * 255
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# --- Save region statistics to Excel ---
region_area = pd.DataFrame({
    "Region_Label": [region.label for region in region_props_A],
    "Region_Area (pixels)": [region.area for region in region_props_
    "Region_Area (μm²)": [region.area * (pixel_to_um ** 2) for regio
})
# Filter out regions with non-positive area (shouldn't happen, but s
region_area_df = region_area[region_area["Region_Area (μm²)"] > 0]
total_area = region_area_df["Region_Area (μm²)"].sum()
total_cells = region_area_df["Region_Label"].count()
# Append summary rows
region_area_df.loc["Total Area"] = ["", "Total Area", total_area]
region_area_df.loc["Total Cells"] = ["", "Total Cells", total_cells]
# Save region stats to Excel
region_area_excel_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path
print(f"Saved region areas for {bf_file} to {region_area_excel_path}
# --- Plot histogram of pixel intensities ---
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
plt.hist(grayA.ravel(), bins=256, range=[0, 255], color='blue', alph
plt.axvline(threshold, color='red', linestyle='dashed', linewidth=2,
plt.title('Histogram of Pixel Intensities')
plt.xlabel('Pixel Intensity')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.legend()
# Save the pixel intensity histogram
hist_cells_image_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.
plt.savefig(hist_cells_image_path, dpi=300, bbox_inches='tight')
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents()
print(f"Saved histogram for {bf_file} to {annotated_path}")
all_output_files.append(hist_cells_image_path)
# Convert BF image to grayscale and enhance contrast
grayB = rgb2gray(imageB)
grayB = exposure.equalize adapthist(grayB)
# Apply bilateral filter to reduce noise
grayB = cv2.bilateralFilter((grayB * 255).astype(np.uint8), 9, 75, 7
# Calculate dynamic threshold
mean intensity = np.mean(grayB)
std_intensity = np.std(grayB)
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dynamic_threshold = mean_intensity + 4.6 * std_intensity
# Apply dynamic threshold
binary_B = (grayB > dynamic_threshold).astype(np.uint8)
binary_B = opening(binary_B)# Remove small noise
binary_B = (binary_B > 0).astype(np.uint8) * 255 # Convert back to b
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
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plt.hist(grayB.ravel(), bins=256, range=[0, 255], color='blue', alph
plt.axvline(dynamic_threshold, color='red', linestyle='dashed', line
plt.title('Histogram of Pixel Intensities')
plt.xlabel('Pixel Intensity')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.legend()
# Save the histogram image
hist_crystals_image_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.pa
plt.savefig(hist_crystals_image_path, dpi=300, bbox_inches='tight')
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents() # Refresh PyQt GUI
print(f"Saved histogram for {bf_file} to {hist_crystals_image_path}"
all_output_files.append(hist_crystals_image_path)
QApplication.processEvents() # Refresh PyQt GUI
# Resize for alignment
filtered_binary_A_resized = cv2.resize(binary_A, (2048, 2048), inter
binary_B_resized = cv2.resize(binary_B, (2048, 2048), interpolation=
# Overlap calculation
overlap = (np.logical_and(filtered_binary_A_resized > 0, binary_B_re
# ☑ Mask the scale bar in bottom-right (adjust size as needed)
h2, w2 = overlap.shape
overlap[h2-60:h2, w2-450:w2] = 0 # adjust 50 and 100 depending on t
# Save overlap results
overlap_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.splitext(
cv2.imwrite(overlap_path, overlap)
all_output_files.append(overlap_path)
# Save clustering information
region_to_cell_mapping = []
cell labels = label(filtered binary A resized)
cell_props = regionprops(cell_labels)
region_labels = label(overlap)
region_props = regionprops(region_labels)
cell to crystals = defaultdict(list)
for region in region_props:
    region_coords = set(tuple(coord) for coord in region.coords)
    best_match_cell = None
    max_overlap = 0
    for cell in cell props:
        cell coords = set(tuple(coord) for coord in cell.coords)
        overlap_area = len(region_coords & cell_coords)
        if overlap_area > max_overlap:
            max_overlap = overlap_area
            best_match_cell = cell.label
    region to cell mapping.append({
        "Region_Label": region.label,
        "Associated_Cell": best_match_cell,
        "Overlap (pixels)": max_overlap,
        "Region_Area (pixels)": region.area,
        "Region_Area (μm²)": region.area * (pixel_to_um ** 2)
    })
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# 🗹 Store the crystal label for the matched cell
   if best_match_cell is not None:
        cell_to_crystals[best_match_cell].append(region.label)
# Save region-to-cell mapping as CSV
df mapp = pd.DataFrame(region to cell mapping)
df_mapping = df_mapp[(df_mapp["Region_Area (μm²)"] < 6) & (df_mapp["
# --- Properly count how many crystals are mapped to each cell ---
df_mapping["Associated_Cell_Count"] = df_mapping["Associated_Cell"].
# --- Add total number of distinct cells ---
total_distinct_cells = df_mapping["Associated_Cell"].nunique()
df_mapping["Total_Cells_with_crystals"] = total_distinct_cells
total_area_cr = df_mapping["Region_Area (μm²)"].sum()
total_row = ["","","","Total Area Crystals", total_area_cr,"",""]
# Insert the total row at the end with index "Total"
df_mapping.loc["Total"] = total_row
# --- Optional: Save cell-to-crystal list (for debugging or export)
cell_crystal_df = pd.DataFrame([
   {
        "Cell_Label": cell_label,
        "Crystal_Labels": ", ".join(map(str, crystals)),
        "Crystal_Count": len(crystals)
   for cell_label, crystals in cell_to_crystals.items()
])
# --- Save Excel ---
mapping_excel_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.spl
# --- Merge with region area data ---
merged df = df mapping.merge(region area df, left on="Associated Cel
grouped xlsx path = os.path.join(self.output folder, f"{os.path.spli
with pd.ExcelWriter(grouped_xlsx_path, engine='xlsxwriter') as write
    region_area_df.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Cells', index=False)
    df mapping.to excel(writer, sheet name='Crystals', index=False)
    #merged_df.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Cells + crystals', index
    cell_crystal_df.to_excel(writer, sheet_name='Cell-to-crystal map
print(f"Saved results for {bf_file} to {grouped_xlsx_path}")
# Visualization
annotated image = imageA.copy()
for mapping in region_to_cell_mapping:
    region_label = mapping["Region_Label"]
   associated_cell = mapping["Associated_Cell"]
   if associated_cell:
        region = next(r for r in region props if r.label == region l
        min_row, min_col, max_row, max_col = region.bbox
        cv2.rectangle(annotated_image, (min_col, min_row), (max_col,
        cv2.putText(
            annotated_image,
            f"Cell {associated_cell}",
            (min_col, min_row - 5),
            cv2.FONT HERSHEY SIMPLEX,
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0.3,
                (255, 0, 0),
                1
            )
    # Plot both binary A and binary B
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12, 6))
    # Show detections
    ax[0].imshow(annotated_image, cmap='gray')
    ax[0].set_title('Detections')
    ax[0].axis('off') # Hide axes
    # Show coincidences
    ax[1].imshow(overlap, cmap='gray')
    ax[1].set_title('Coincidences')
    ax[1].axis('off') # Hide axes
    plt.tight layout()
    plt.pause(0.001)
    QApplication.processEvents() # Refresh PyQt GUI
    # Save annotated image
    annotated_image_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.s
    cv2.imwrite(annotated_image_path, annotated_image)
    print(f"Saved results for {bf_file} to {self.output_folder}")
    all_output_files.append(annotated_image_path)
    # Calculate the percentage of crystal-covered area relative to total
    Percentage = f"{(total_area_cr / total_area * 100):.2f}%" if total_d
    # Append summary information for this image to the report
    summary rows.append({
        "Day": os.path.splitext(bf_file)[0],
                                                       # Extract image
        "total cells area": total area,
                                                       # Sum of all cel
        "total_crystals_area": total_area_cr,
                                                      # Sum of all cry
        "%_area_crystals_cells": Percentage
                                                        # Area percentag
    })
# Create a DataFrame from all summarized results
summary_df = pd.DataFrame(summary_rows)
# Ensure 'Day' is treated as a string for consistent sorting
summary_df["Day"] = summary_df["Day"].astype(str)
summary_df = summary_df.sort_values(by="Day")
# Convert percentage string to float if needed (e.g., "23.5%" → 23.5)
summary_df["%_area_crystals_cells"] = summary_df["%_area_crystals_cells"
# Extract numeric portion of the day (e.g., "1A" \rightarrow 1) to group by day
summary_df["DAYS"] = summary_df["Day"].str.extract(r"(\d+)") # Extract
# Group by day number and compute mean and standard deviation of percent
grouped_df = summary_df.groupby("DAYS").agg({
    "%_area_crystals_cells": ["mean", "std"]
}).reset_index()
# Flatten multi-index column names
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grouped_df.columns = ["DAYS", "mean_percentage", "std_percentage"]
# Convert DAYS to integer and sort numerically
grouped_df["DAYS"] = grouped_df["DAYS"].astype(int)
grouped_df = grouped_df.sort_values(by="DAYS")
# Determine Y-axis limit for the plot
max_percentage = grouped_df["mean_percentage"].max()
y_max_limit = min(100, max_percentage + 4) # Cap at 100%
# Plot average % of cells with crystals per day
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(
    grouped_df["DAYS"],
    grouped_df["mean_percentage"],
    marker='o',
    linestyle='-',
    color='blue',
   linewidth=2,
    label="Average"
)
# Draw vertical lines for ±1 standard deviation
for x, y, std in zip(grouped_df["DAYS"], grouped_df["mean_percentage"],
    plt.vlines(
        X=X
        ymin=y - std,
       ymax=y + std,
        color='blue',
        alpha=0.7,
        linewidth=2,
        label='±1 STD' if x == grouped_df["DAYS"].iloc[0] else ""
    )
# Avoid duplicate legend entries
handles, labels = plt.gca().get_legend_handles_labels()
by label = dict(zip(labels, handles))
plt.legend(by_label.values(), by_label.keys())
plt.ylim(0, y_max_limit)
plt.xlabel("Days")
plt.ylabel("% Area Crystals / Cells")
plt.title("Average % Area Crystals/Cells per Day")
plt.grid(True)
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents() # Update PyQt GUI
# Save the plot as PNG
plot_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, "Plot.png")
plt.savefig(plot_path, dpi=300)
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents()
# Export grouped summary data to Excel
grouped_df.to_excel(os.path.join(self.output_folder, "Plot.xlsx"), index
self.log("Processing complete!")
# Create a ZIP archive with all output histogram and annotated image fil
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zip_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, "All_Images_histograms.zip")
   with zipfile.ZipFile(zip_path, 'w') as zipf:
        for file_path in all_output_files:
            zipf.write(file_path, arcname=os.path.basename(file_path))
    # Remove the original files after archiving
   for file_path in all_output_files:
        if os.path.exists(file path):
            os.remove(file_path)
def start_processing_3(self):
    # Flag to indicate that processing is active
    self.processing_active = True
    # Reset the stop event in case it was triggered during a previous run
   self.stop_event.clear()
   # Validate that all necessary folders (BF, PL, and Output) have been sel
    if not self.bf folder or not self.pl folder or not self.output folder:
        self.log("Please select all folders before starting.")
        return
   try:
        # Read user input for scale calibration
        distance_in_px = float(self.pixel_distance_input.text()) # Distance
        known_um = float(self.known_um_combo.currentText())
        # Prevent division by zero when calculating pixel-to-micron scale
        if distance_in_px == 0:
            raise ValueError("Distance in pixels cannot be zero.")
        # Compute pixel-to-micrometer conversion factor
        pixel_to_um = 1 / (known_um / distance_in_px)
    except ValueError:
       # Show warning if input is invalid or conversion fails
        QMessageBox.warning(self, "Input Error", "Please enter valid numeric
        return None
    # Create the output directory if it doesn't already exist
    os.makedirs(self.output_folder, exist_ok=True)
    # Collect and sort all .tif files in both BF and PL folders
    bf files = sorted([f for f in os.listdir(self.bf folder) if f.endswith('
    pl_files = sorted([f for f in os.listdir(self.pl_folder) if f.endswith(
    # Check that the number of BF and PL images match for paired processing
    if len(bf_files) != len(pl_files):
        raise ValueError("Mismatch in the number of BF and PL .tif files.")
    # List to keep track of output files generated during processing
   all_output_files = []
    # Batch process each pair of Brightfield (BF) and Polarized Light (PL) i
   for bf file, pl file in zip(bf files, pl files):
        print(f"Processing: {bf_file} and {pl_file}")
        # Allow user to stop processing midway
        if self.stop_event.is_set():
            self.log("Processing stopped.")
            return
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self.log(f"Processing {bf_file} and {pl_file}...")
# Load BF and PL images
bf_image_path = os.path.join(self.bf_folder, bf_file)
pl_image_path = os.path.join(self.pl_folder, pl_file)
imageA = cv2.imread(bf_image_path)
imageB = cv2.imread(pl_image_path)
# Skip if images failed to load
if imageA is None or imageB is None:
    print(f"Skipping {bf_file} or {pl_file}: Unable to load image.")
    continue
# Convert BF image to grayscale
grayA = rgb2gray(imageA)
# --- Remove bottom-right scale bar region to avoid false detections
h, w = grayA.shape
crop margin h = int(0.015 * h) # \sim 1.5\% of height
crop_margin_w = int(0.025 * w) # ~2.5% of width
# Mask the scale bar region (bottom-right) from analysis
mask = np.ones_like(grayA, dtype=bool)
mask[h - crop_margin_h:, w - crop_margin_w:] = False
grayA = grayA * mask # Apply mask to grayscale image
# Enhance contrast using adaptive histogram equalization
grayA = exposure.equalize_adapthist(grayA)
# Denoise the image using bilateral filtering
grayA = cv2.bilateralFilter((grayA * 255).astype(np.uint8), 9, 75, 7
# Segment the image using Otsu's thresholding
threshold = threshold_otsu(grayA)
binary A = (grayA < threshold).astype(np.uint8) * 255</pre>
# Apply morphological operations to clean segmentation
binary_A = morphology.opening(binary_A)
binary_A = morphology.remove_small_objects(binary_A.astype(bool), mi
binary_A = morphology.dilation(binary_A, morphology.disk(6))
binary A = morphology.remove small holes(binary A, area threshold=50
binary_A = morphology.closing(binary_A, morphology.disk(6))
binary_A = (binary_A > 0).astype(np.uint8) * 255
# Label connected regions
region_labels_A = label(binary_A)
region_props_A = regionprops(region_labels_A)
# Create mask for excluding cropped scale bar area
crop_start_row = h - crop_margin_h
crop_start_col = w - crop_margin_w
crop_mask = np.zeros_like(region_labels_A, dtype=bool)
crop_mask[crop_start_row:, crop_start_col:] = True
# Filter out regions that intersect with the cropped area
filtered labels = []
for region in region_props_A:
    region_mask = (region_labels_A == region.label)
    if not np.any(region_mask & crop_mask):
        filtered labels.append(region.label)
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# Generate new label image without excluded regions
new_label_img = np.zeros_like(region_labels_A, dtype=np.int32)
label_counter = 1
for lbl in filtered_labels:
    new label img[region labels A == lbl] = label counter
    label counter += 1
# Refresh region labels and properties
region_labels_A = new_label_img
region_props_A = regionprops(region_labels_A)
# Calculate region area statistics for filtering/splitting
areas = [region.area for region in region_props_A]
media_area = np.median(areas)
std_area = np.std(areas)
average = media_area + std_area # Adaptive threshold
# --- Save histogram of region areas ---
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 5))
plt.hist(areas, bins=20, color='skyblue', edgecolor='black')
plt.title("Histogram of Region Areas")
plt.xlabel("Area (pixels)")
plt.ylabel("Frequency")
plt.grid(True)
plt.tight_layout()
hist_areas_image_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.
plt.savefig(hist_areas_image_path, dpi=300, bbox_inches='tight')
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents()
print(f"Saved histogram for {bf_file} to {hist_areas_image_path}")
all_output_files.append(hist_areas_image_path)
# Refine label image: keep small regions, split large ones using wat
for region in region props A:
    if region.area < average:</pre>
        new label img[region.slice][region.image] = label counter
        label_counter += 1
    else:
        region_mask = np.zeros_like(region_labels_A, dtype=np.uint8)
        region mask[region.slice][region.image] = 1
        distance = ndi.distance transform edt(region mask)
        coordinates = peak_local_max(distance, labels=region_mask, m
        local_maxi = np.zeros_like(distance, dtype=bool)
        local_maxi[tuple(coordinates.T)] = True
        markers = label(local_maxi)
        labels_ws = watershed(-distance, markers, mask=region_mask)
        for ws label in np.unique(labels ws):
            if ws label == 0:
                continue
            mask = labels_ws == ws_label
            new_label_img[mask] = label_counter
            label counter += 1
# Final labeled image after splitting
region labels A = new label img
region_props_A = regionprops(region_labels_A)
# Ensure binary mask matches grayscale shape
if binary_A.shape != grayA.shape:
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binary_A = resize(binary_A, grayA.shape, order=0, preserve_range
# --- Visualize segmentation ---
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 8))
plt.imshow(region_labels_A, cmap='nipy_spectral')
plt.title('Segmentation')
plt.axis('off')
plt.pause(0.001)
QApplication.processEvents()
# Annotate region labels on binary image
overlay_image = cv2.cvtColor((binary_A > 0).astype(np.uint8) * 255,
for region in regionprops(region_labels_A):
   y, x = region.centroid
   label_id = region.label
    cv2.putText(overlay_image, str(region.label), (int(x), int(y)),c
# Save annotated segmentation image
annotated_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.splitex
cv2.imwrite(annotated_path, overlay_image)
print(f"Saved annotated image with labels to {annotated_path}")
all_output_files.append(annotated_path)
# Create binary mask with only valid detected regions
filtered_binary_A = np.zeros_like(binary_A)
for prop in region_props_A:
   if prop.area > 0:
        min_row, min_col, max_row, max_col = prop.bbox
        filtered_binary_A[min_row:max_row, min_col:max_col] = (
            region labels A[min row:max row, min col:max col] == pro
filtered_binary_A = (filtered_binary_A > 0).astype(np.uint8) * 255
# --- Save region statistics to Excel ---
region area = pd.DataFrame({
    "Region_Label": [region.label for region in region_props_A],
    "Region Area (pixels)": [region.area for region in region props
    "Region_Area (μm²)": [region.area * (pixel_to_um ** 2) for regio
})
# Filter out regions with non-positive area (shouldn't happen, but s
region area df = region area[region area["Region Area (μm²)"] > 0]
total_area = region_area_df["Region_Area (μm²)"].sum()
total_cells = region_area_df["Region_Label"].count()
# Append summary rows
region_area_df.loc["Total Area"] = ["", "Total Area", total_area]
region_area_df.loc["Total Cells"] = ["", "Total Cells", total_cells]
# Save region stats to Excel
region_area_excel_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path
region_area_df.to_excel(region_area_excel_path, index=False)
print(f"Saved region areas for {bf file} to {region area excel path}
# --- Plot histogram of pixel intensities ---
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
plt.hist(grayA.ravel(), bins=256, range=[0, 255], color='blue', alph
plt.axvline(threshold, color='red', linestyle='dashed', linewidth=2,
plt.title('Histogram of Pixel Intensities')
plt.xlabel('Pixel Intensity')
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plt.ylabel('Frequency')
            plt.legend()
            # Save the pixel intensity histogram
            hist_cells_image_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, f"{os.path.
            plt.savefig(hist cells image path, dpi=300, bbox inches='tight')
            plt.pause(0.001)
            QApplication.processEvents()
            print(f"Saved histogram for {bf_file} to {annotated_path}")
            all_output_files.append(hist_cells_image_path)
        self.log("Processing complete!")
        # Create a ZIP archive with all output histogram and annotated image fil
        zip_path = os.path.join(self.output_folder, "All_Images_histograms.zip")
        with zipfile.ZipFile(zip_path, 'w') as zipf:
            for file_path in all_output_files:
                zipf.write(file path, arcname=os.path.basename(file path))
        # Remove the original files after archiving
        for file_path in all_output_files:
            if os.path.exists(file_path):
                os.remove(file_path)
# Entry point of the application
if __name__ == "__main__":
    # Create a Qt application instance
   app = QApplication(sys.argv)
    # Instantiate the main window (custom image processing GUI)
   window = ImageProcessingApp()
   # Show the main window
   window.show()
    # Execute the Qt event loop and exit the application when it's closed
    sys.exit(app.exec_())
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Processing: Xanthophore_BF_GFP_TXR_DAPI_X10_2.tif and Xanthophore_BF_GFP_TXR_DAPI _X10_2.tif

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Saved region areas for Xanthophore_BF_GFP_TXR_DAPI_X10_2.tif to C:/Users/nahue/Downloads/TEST SCALE\Xanthophore_BF_GFP_TXR_DAPI_X10_2_Region_Area_in_um2.xlsx
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Processing: X4_Before_UV_dorsal fin.tif and X4_Before_UV_dorsal fin.tif
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Saved histogram for X4_Before_UV_dorsal fin.tif to C:/Users/nahue/Downloads/TEST SCALE\X4_Before_UV_dorsal fin_Histogram_Areas.png

Saved annotated image with labels to C:/Users/nahue/Downloads/TEST SCALE\X4_Befor e_UV_dorsal fin_Segmented_Annotated.png

Saved region areas for X4_Before_UV_dorsal fin.tif to C:/Users/nahue/Downloads/TE ST SCALE\X4_Before_UV_dorsal fin_Region_Area_in_um2.xlsx

Saved histogram for X4_Before_UV_dorsal fin.tif to C:/Users/nahue/Downloads/TEST SCALE\X4_Before_UV_dorsal fin_Segmented_Annotated.png

An exception has occurred, use %tb to see the full traceback.

SystemExit: 0

C:\Users\nahue\anaconda3\Lib\site-packages\IPython\core\interactiveshell.py:3585:
UserWarning: To exit: use 'exit', 'quit', or Ctrl-D.

warn("To exit: use 'exit', 'quit', or Ctrl-D.", stacklevel=1)

In []: