

## CountStarsInFolder.ijm

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**Purpose:** This ImageJ macro counts the stars in multiple images of the night time sky.

### Instructions for use:

1. Save all images into one folder (aka. a “directory”). Do not place any other files into this folder.
2. Plugins > Macros > Open. Open CountStarsInFolder.ijm.
3. Click on the .ijm window. Macros > Run macro.
4. A dialogue box will open. Select the folder in which your images are stored.
5. A second dialogue box will open. Select a different folder in which thresholded images will be placed.
6. The macro will run. Star counts will appear in the Summary window.

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dirInput = getDirectory("Choose Directory ");
dirOutput = getDirectory("Choose Directory ");
list = getFileList(dirInput);

setBatchMode(true);
for (i=0;i<list.length;i++) {
    open(dirInput+ list[i]);

    run("8-bit");
    setAutoThreshold("Intermodes dark");
    //run("Threshold...");
    //setThreshold(123, 255);
    setOption("BlackBackground", false);
    run("Convert to Mask");
    run("Analyze Particles...", " show=Outlines exclude clear summarize");

    saveAs("Jpeg", dirOutput + File.nameWithoutExtension + "_Threshold");
    close();
}
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