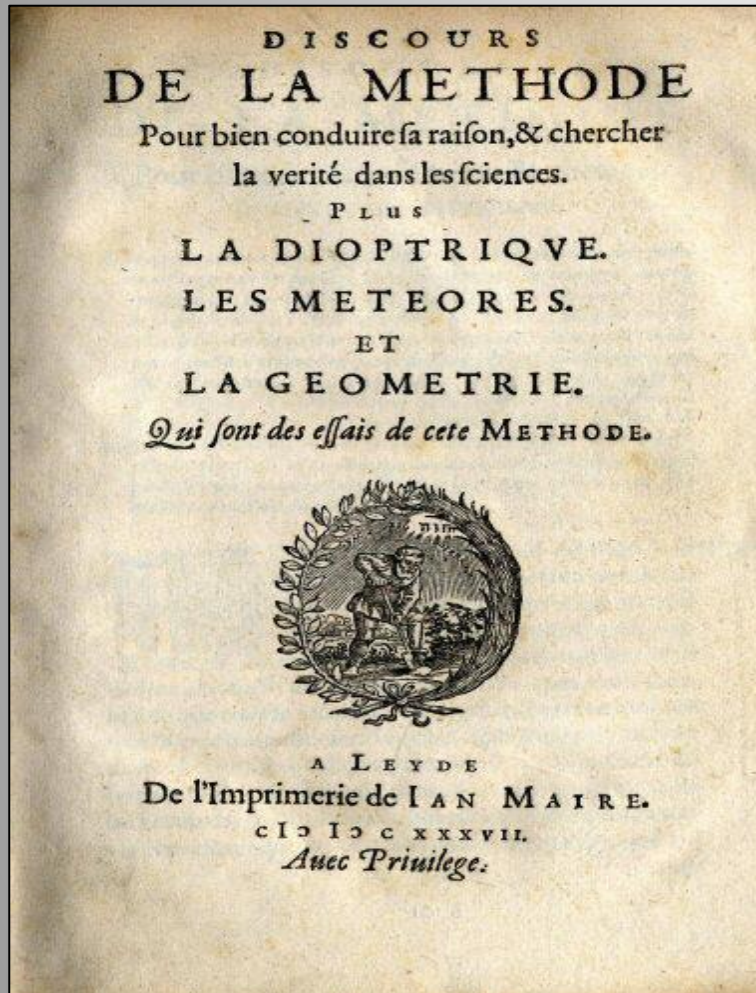




Open Science and Open Innovation for Medical Imaging AI

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Why is Open Science Important?



“DOUBT EVERYTHING and only believe in those things that are evidently true (reproducible).”

-- Descartes 1637
Discourse on the (Scientific) Method

Failure of Open Science

Nature (March 2012)

- Glenn Begley: Head of cancer research at pharma giant Amgen
- Lee M. Ellis: Cancer researcher at the University of Texas
- Identified 53 'landmark' publications.
- Sought to double-check the findings before building on them for drug development.
- Result: 47 of the 53 could not be replicated.

What is open science?

“Reproducible Science”



Write open-source code, share data, and publish so that others can fully replicate your work.

Why is deep learning succeeding?

- Performance
- Open Science



-- Forbes.com

Deep Learning Success: Performance

< Left as an exercise for the audience >

Deep Learning Success: Open Science

- Open science is pervasive in deep learning
 - Open access publications: arXiv
 - Open access data: TCIA/IDC, ImageNet, DICOM, FIHR
 - Open access algorithms: Open source: PyTorch, MONAI

MONAI's open-source code

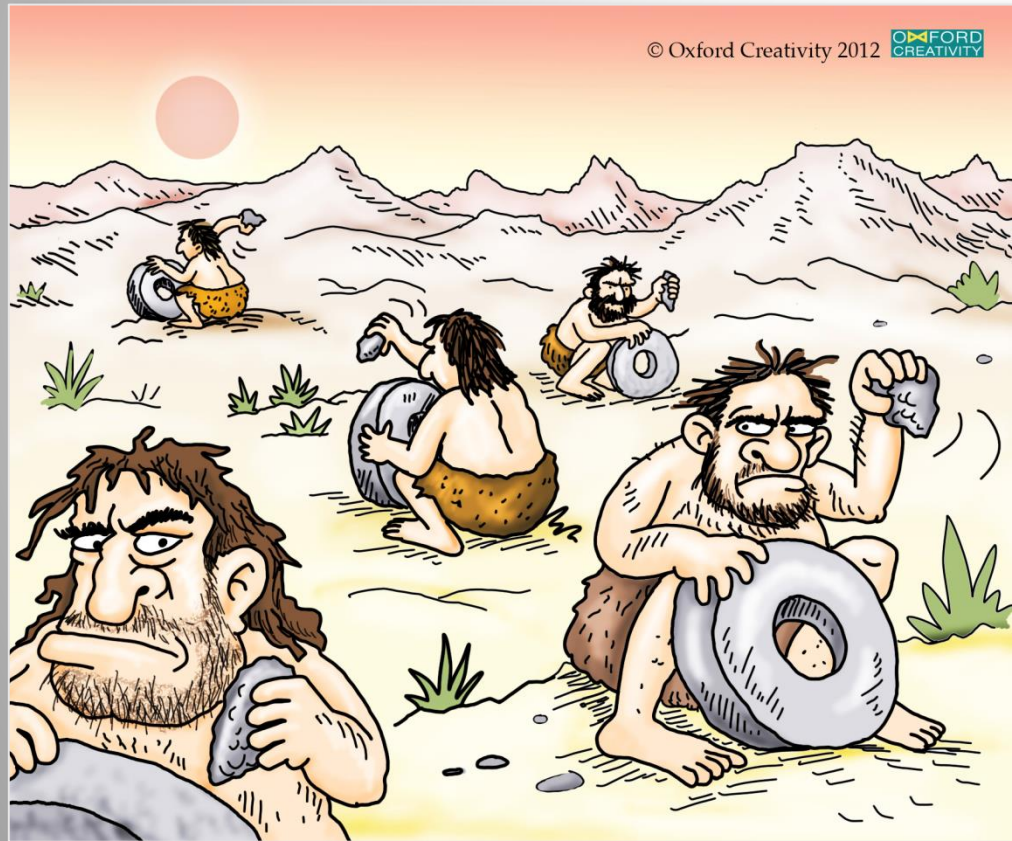
- “Code for others”: commented, well organized, ...
 - Readable code
 - Keep it simple
- OSF-approved license: Apache 2.0
 - Free for academic and commercial use
- Maximize impact

Project MONAI

Open Science + Open Innovation

Open Innovation ...

... IS NOT ...



Open Innovation ...

... IS ...



You



You



You



You



You



You



You

Open Innovation ...

... IS ...



Open Innovation ...

- "a distributed innovation process based on purposively managed knowledge flows across organizational boundaries, using pecuniary and non-pecuniary mechanisms in line with the organization's business model"

-- Chesbrough, H., & Bogers, M. 2014

pecuniary = monetary = money

Project MONAI

Goal: Accelerate the pace of research and development by providing a common software foundation and a vibrant community for medical imaging deep learning.

- Began as a collaboration between Nvidia and King's College London
 - Prerna Dogra (Nvidia) and Jorge Cardoso (KCL)
- Freely available (Open-source code)
- Provides easy access to key public datasets (Open-access data)
- Community-supported (Open innovation)
- Optimized for medical imaging and reproducibility
- Reference implementation of best practices

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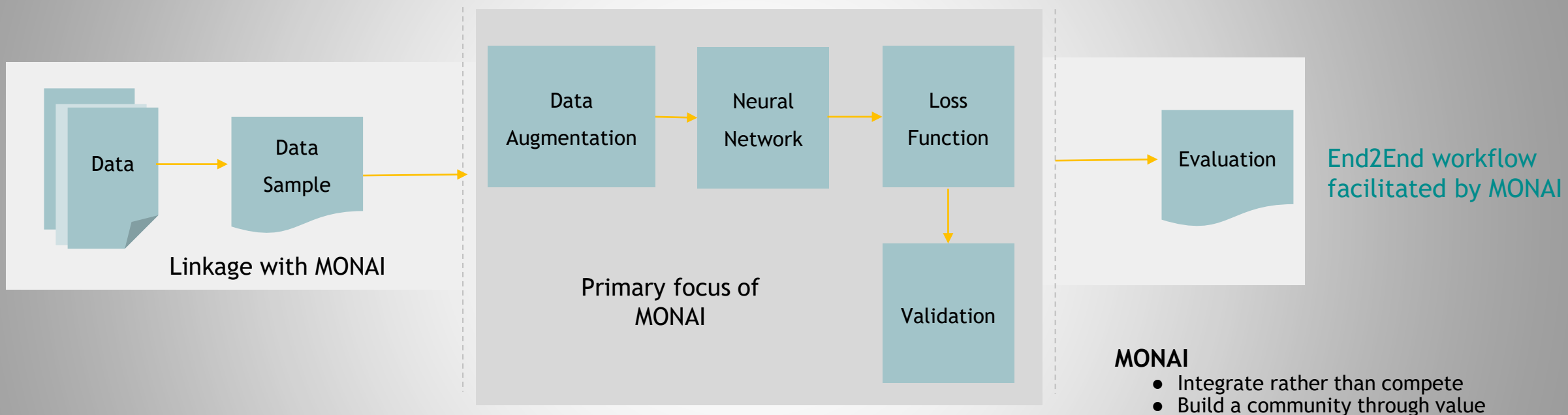
Open-Source Software

- MONAI
- MONAI Label
- MONAI Deploy
- MONAI Stream
- MONAI *<insert your idea here>*

Open-Access Data

- dataset(...)
- MedNIST, Decathlon, ...
- NIH TCIA / IDC
- *<insert your data here>*

Open Science + Open Innovation



Current Conditions

- Many options
- Incompatible interfaces and formats
- Extended learning curves

NiftyNet
(KCL)

DeepNeuro
(Harvard)

DLTK
(ICL)



Clara Train
(NVIDIA)

Why is MONAI Needed?

- Biomedical applications have specific requirements
- Image modalities require specific processing methods: MRI, CT, etc.
- Image formats require special support: DICOM, NIfTI, etc.
- Image meta-data must be considered: voxel spacing, HU, etc.
- Certain network architectures are designed for, or are highly suitable for, biomedical applications
- Problem prioritization is domain specific: sample size limitations, annotation uncertainties, etc.

Why is MONAI Needed?

Reproducibility is vital to clinical decision support

- Reduce re-implementation
- Provide baseline implementations
- Demonstrate best practices
- Facilitates open innovation

How Does MONAI Address These Needs?

- MONAI provides flexible yet reproducible Pytorch-compatible methods
 - Deterministic and validated modules
 - Medical data I/O
 - Data transforms to process, regularize, and augment image data
 - Metrics, Loss Functions
 - Checkpointing
 - Standardized networks and training paradigms
- Support for multi-GPU and multi-node multi-GPU training
- Tutorials and documentation: Jupyter Notebooks and Ignite Workflows

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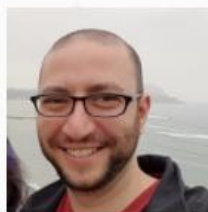
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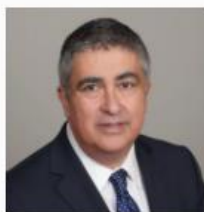
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Nasir Rajpoot



Justin Kirby



Keyvan Farahani



Working Groups of MONAI

Liaison with the community:
Recommend policies and priorities to development team

1. *IMAGING I/O* – Stephen Aylward (Kitware)
2. *DATA DIVERSITY* – Brad Genereaux (Nvidia)
3. *CHALLENGES* – Lena Maier-Hein (DKFZ)
4. *TRANSFORMATIONS* – Jorge Cordoso (KCL)
5. *FEDERATED LEARNING* – Jayashree Kalapathy (MGH) and Daniel Rubin (Stanford)
6. *ADVANCED RESEARCH* – Paul Jaeger (DKFZ)
7. *INTEGRATION AND DEPLOYMENT* – David Bericat (Nvidia)
8. *PATHOLOGY* – Nasir Rajpoot (Warwick)
9. *COMMUNITY ADOPTION* – Prerna Dogra (Nvidia)

MONAI is Open Source

Ignite

Catalyst

Massachusetts
Institute of
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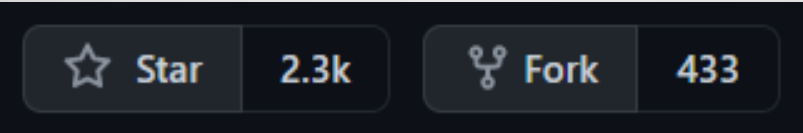
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August 22, 2021 – September 22, 2021

Period: 1 month

Overview

83 Active Pull Requests

82 Active Issues

77

Merged Pull Requests

6

Open Pull Requests

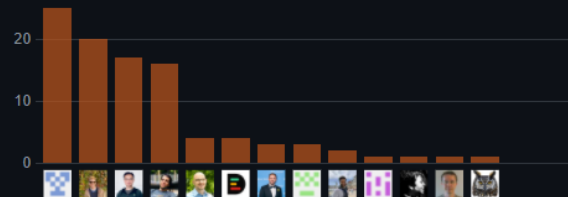
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Closed Issues

17

New Issues

Excluding merges, **13 authors** have pushed **76 commits** to dev and **86 commits** to all branches. On dev, **284 files** have changed and there have been **10,190 additions** and **4,803 deletions**.



77 Pull requests merged by 12 people



Used by 106



Open Innovation

Novograd optimizer

LearningRateFinder

Unet

DynUNet

DenseNet

GAN

AHNet

Vnet

SENet / SEResNet, SEResNeXt

SegResNet

EfficientNet

Attention-based networks

Sliding window inference

Mean Dice

AUC

Confusion Matrices

Hasudorff Distance

Surface Distance

Occlusion Sensitivity

DICOM

NIFTI

NRRD

PNG

JPEG

20+ other file formats

Checkpointing for Transfer Learning

Multi-GPU, Multi-Node support

CUDA Optimized

MONAI Research Repository

* COPLE-Net, LAMP, ...

MONAI Data Portal

* MedNIST, Decathlon, TCIA

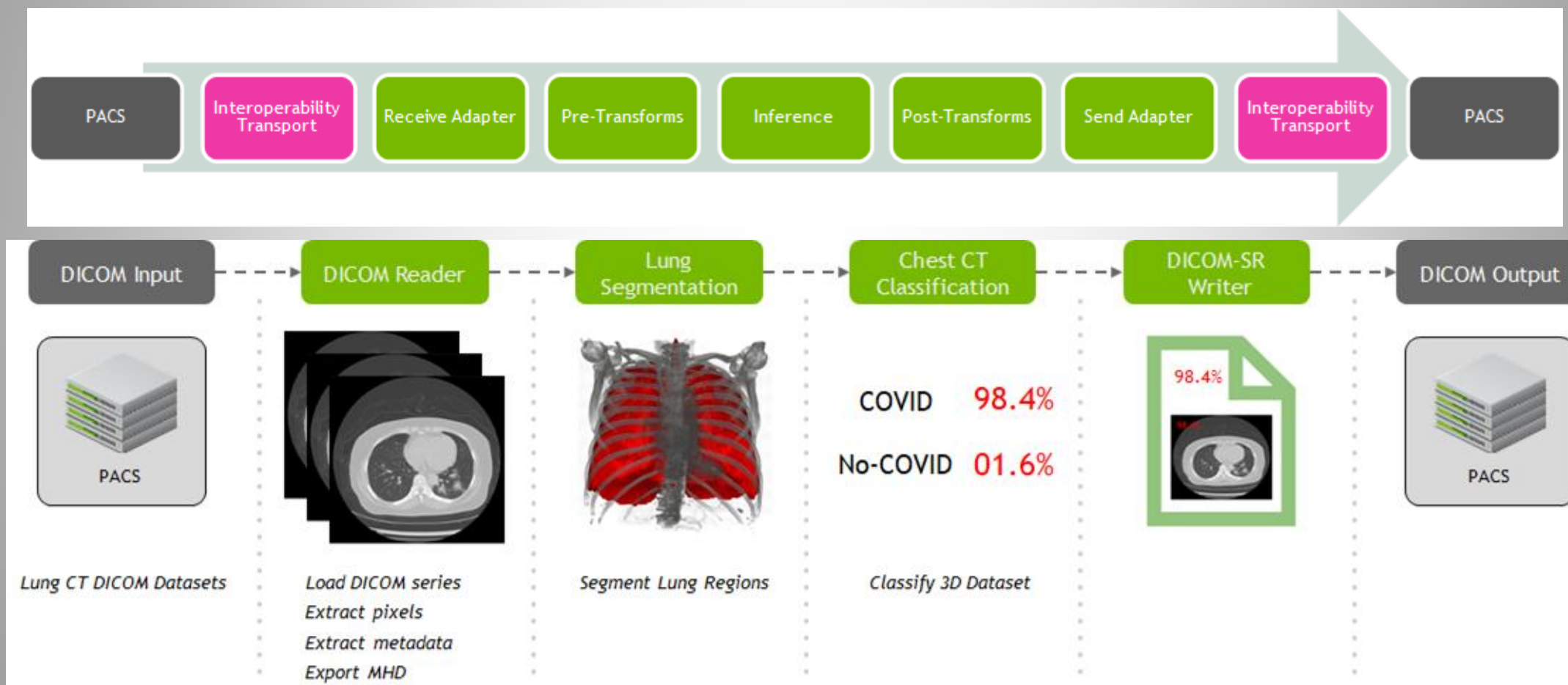
Pre- and Post-processing filters

DeepGrow

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Nvidia = First Commercial Adopter: Nvidia CLARA

Encapsulating a COVID-19 Algorithm into an Integrated AI Application



Nvidia CLARA PRE-TRAINED MODELS

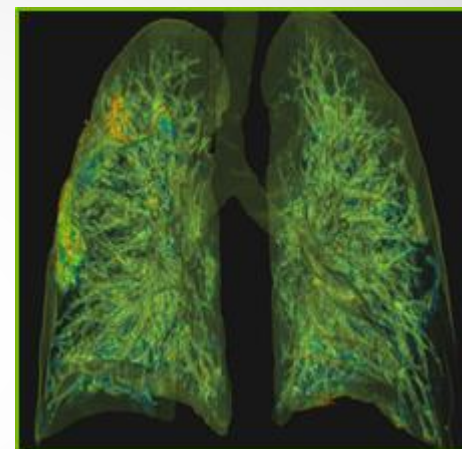
Packaged as Medical Models ARchive (MMARs)



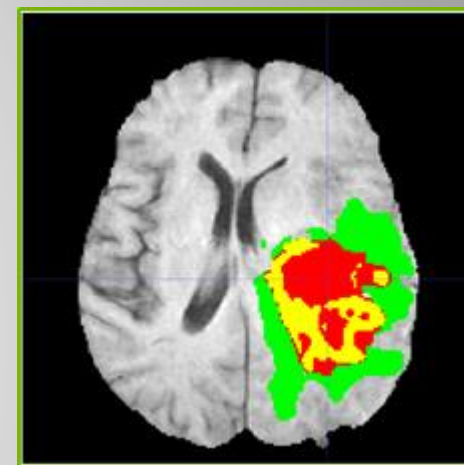
Liver Tumor Segmentation



Lung Segmentation



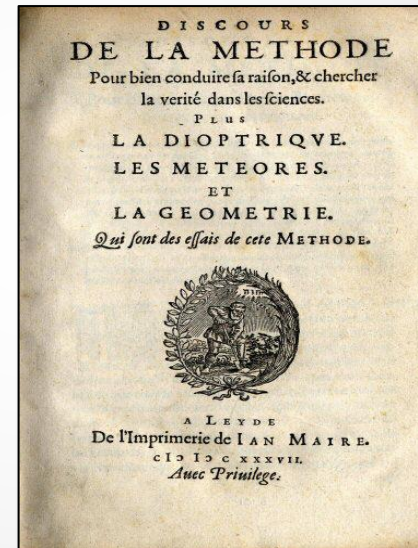
Chest CT Classification



Brain Tumor Segmentation

Model	Medical Task	Data	Network
Brain tumor segmentation	3D Segmentation	MR (BraTS 2018)	Res-UNet
Liver and tumor segmentation	3D Segmentation	CT (medical Decath)	Anisotropic Hybrid Network (AH-Net)
COVID-19 Lung segmentation	3D Segmentation	CT NIH + global	
COVID-19 Chest CT classification	3D Classification	NIH dataset	DenseNet121
Chest X-ray classification	2D Classification	PLCO	

Conclusion



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