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The **S**print AI Training for **AfR**ican Medical Imaging
Knowledge Translation

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In Deep Learning and
Medical Imaging

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Train for Change, from Science to Practice



[SPARK 3rd BraTS-Africa BrainHack Code Hack & Team Exercise Tasks](#)

Instructions:

1. Use the **Code Hack Session** to run your chosen model's code on Kaggle and produce results that are similar to the reported model's performance.
2. Use the **Team Exercise Session** to work on the Capstone Project presentation or to continue to hack your code (i.e., the Code Hack Session).

3. **Capstone Project** Presentation: 5-minute presentation of the team's model implementation, performance and lesson learned.

Daily Activities:

Day	Code Hack Task and Team Exercise
Monday	<p>Project planning and data acquisition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Model's method paper: <i>Each team can choose to work with the papers and GitHub repositories shared during the foundational course (for Unet, UNnet, nnUnet, SwinUnet, and GAN) to review each paper and code and choose a model to use.</i> Review the model's code in Kaggle <p>Deliverables: 1-page Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submit a summary of the model paper outlining: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motivation for your model selection Model Details: Name, Architecture (figure or table) Identify model deficiencies & outline strategies to address them. Start Preparing your 5-Minute Capstone Presentation (<i>See details on day 5</i>) Submit Mid-program evaluation Each member of the team individually completes the Mid-training survey here https://forms.gle/WdR4nqgafzzCA2Sz6
Tuesday	<p>Data Exploration and Preprocessing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Download Data set from Cancer archive and TCIA (2021) https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/dschettler8845/brats-2021-task1 Perform exploratory data analysis Preprocess data for and design data loader for model training Transfer code from Github repo to kaggle Start training model <p>Deliverables: 1-page Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outline any challenges faced in implementing the model Continue working on your 5-Minute Capstone Presentation (<i>See details on day 5</i>)
Wednesday	<p>Model Selection and Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue training your chosen model on 2024 BraTS data

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement ways to improve the model <p>Deliverables: <i>1-page Report</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report preliminary results from model training • Report model performance with the implementation of new strategies • Outline any challenges faced in implementing the model • Continue working on your 5-Minute Capstone Presentation (<i>See details on day 5</i>)
Thursday	<p>Model Training, Validation and Evaluation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue training your chosen model on 2024 BraTS data • Compare your results with the model's reported (published) results <p>Deliverables: <i>1-page Report</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update results from model training • Update Identified model deficiencies & outline strategies to address them. • Continue working on your 5-Minute Capstone Presentation (<i>See details on day 5</i>)
Friday	<p>Model Evaluation and Optimization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalize any remaining model training evaluation • Add updated results to the 5-Minute Capstone Presentation <p>Deliverables:</p> <p><u>Capstone Presentation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>5-Minutes no more than 8 slides</i> • <i>Present a summary of:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>The motivation for choosing the model includes the advantages of the method</i> ○ <i>The model architecture</i> ○ <i>Outline any observed or suspected model deficiencies</i> ○ <i>Results - performance of the model and if performance was replicated</i> ○ <i>Challenges faced in implementing the model</i> ○ <i>Introduce the proposed BraTS 2025 Challenge model</i>