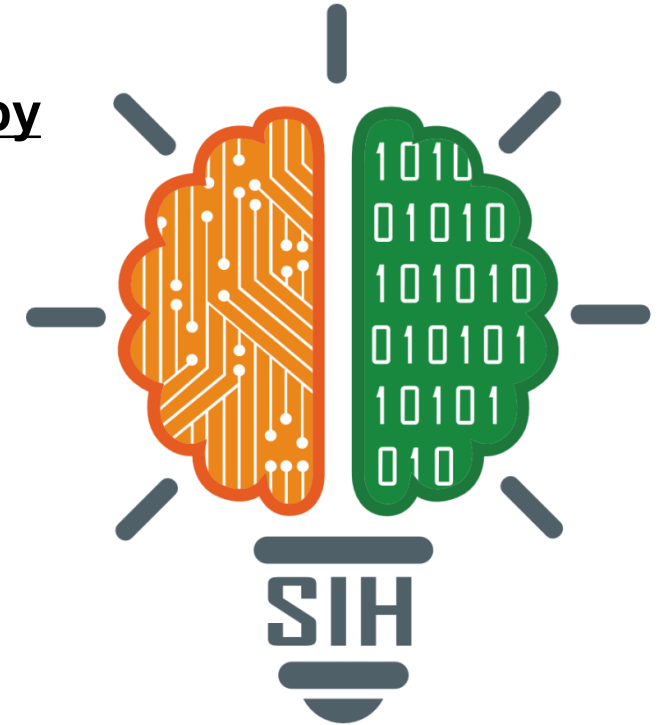


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- **Problem Statement ID – 25043**
- **Problem Statement Title: Embedded Intelligent Microscopy for Marine Organism**
- **Theme- Smart Automation**
- **PS Category- Hardware**
- **Team ID- 33**
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The Manual Analysis Bottleneck

- » **Labor-Intensive:** Over 6 hours of manual examination required per sample batch.
- » **Niche Expertise:** Demands PhD-level taxonomic knowledge, creating a major skills gap.
- » **High Error Rate:** Prone to 30-40% inaccuracy due to operator fatigue and subjectivity.

Our Solution: The MARINE-AI Module

Universal Compatibility: A plug-and-play add-on that instantly upgrades any standard microscope.

On-Device Intelligence: Real-time processing on an NVIDIA Jetson ensures results with no cloud dependency.

Fully Automated Pipeline: A three-stage AI system for high-accuracy detection, classification, and counting.

BREAKTHROUGH PERFORMANCE

96.36%
Classification Accuracy

60x
Faster Analysis

₹35,000
Total System Cost

850/min
Organisms Processed

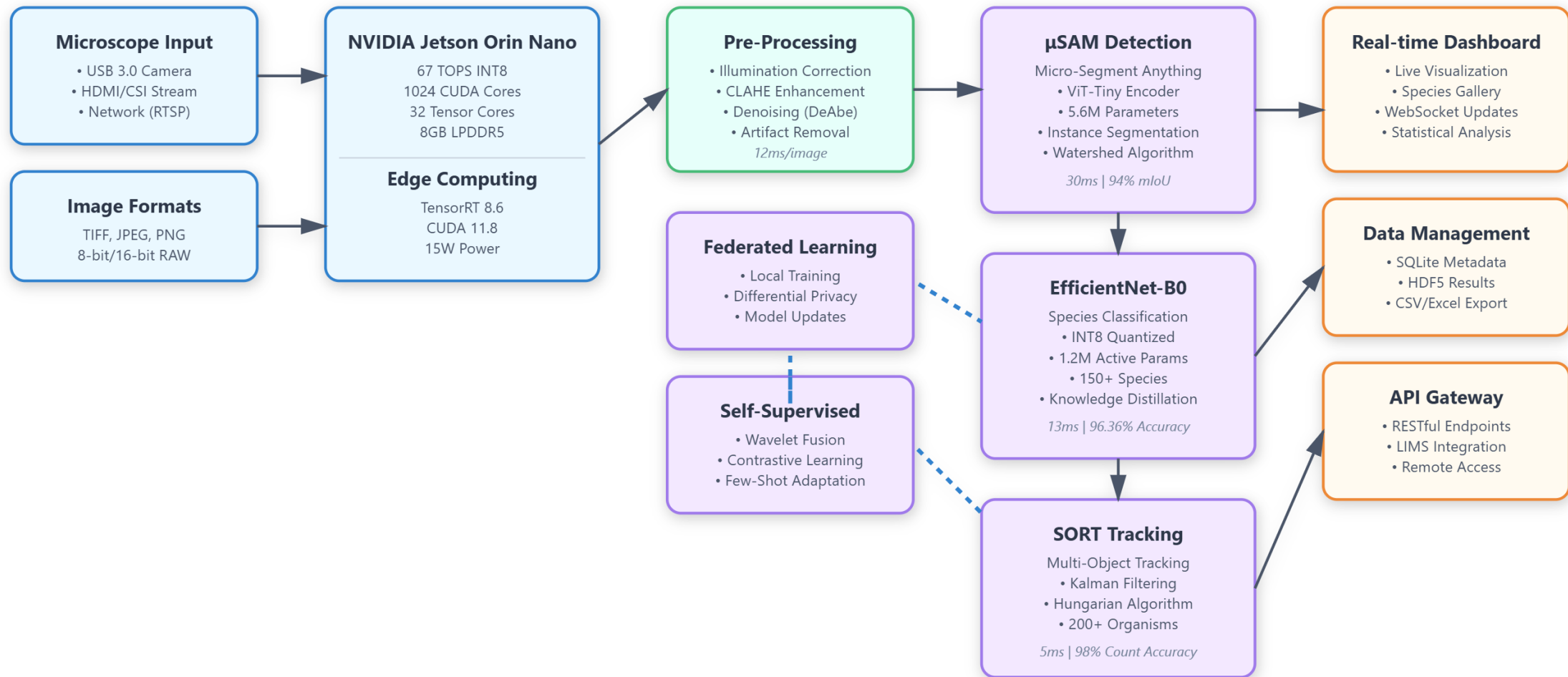
Key Innovation

The **first fully embedded, edge-computed AI system** that democratizes marine biodiversity assessment by delivering expert-level accuracy in real-time.

µSAM Detection

EfficientNet-B0 Classification

Federated Learning



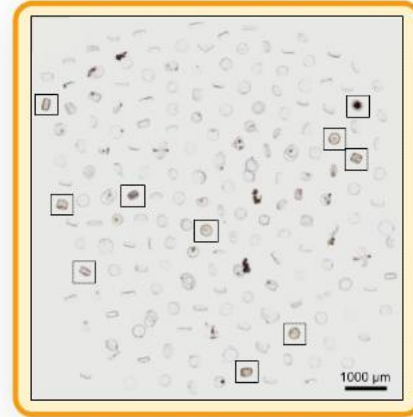
Real-time AI Detection Pipeline

From Microscope to Marine Species Identification in **100ms**



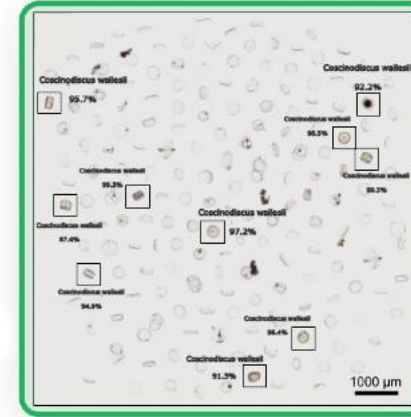
INPUT

Raw microscope image
Multiple organisms
Variable quality



μSAM DETECTION

Segment organisms
Handle overlaps
30ms processing



CLASSIFICATION

Species identification
Confidence scoring
13ms per organism

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Coscinodiscus wailesii DIATOM	
<div>LIVE</div> <div>113</div>	<div>DEAD</div> <div>9</div>
<div>VIABILITY</div> <div>92.6%</div>	<div>TOTAL</div> <div>122</div>
Analysis Metrics	
<div>AVG SIZE</div> <div>185μm</div>	<div>DENSITY</div> <div>52/mL</div>
<div>ACCURACY</div> <div>98.2%</div>	<div>TIME</div> <div>73ms</div>

OUTPUT

Counted species
Excel/CSV export
Real-time dashboard

96.36%

Accuracy

100ms

Total Time

850/min

Organisms

₹35K

System Cost

TRANSFORMATIONAL IMPACT & BENEFITS

60× FASTER

6 hours → 6 minutes

96.36%

Accuracy vs 60-70%

60× CHEAPER

₹3,000 → ₹50/sample

850/min

Organisms processed

Target Audience Impact: Democratizes marine research - converts any microscope into AI-powered tool, no PhD expertise needed

Economic Benefits: ROI in 12 samples (~1 week), ₹26.25 Crore market opportunity, Complete system ₹35,000

Social Impact: Enables citizen science participation, real-time harmful algal bloom detection for public safety

Environmental Benefits: Real-time microplastic monitoring, supports marine conservation efforts, addresses MoES/CMLRE requirements

Universal Solution: Works with Olympus/Zeiss/Nikon/Leica microscopes, 150+ species coverage, plug-and-play integration

PROVEN FEASIBILITY & VIABILITY

Technical Feasibility PROVEN: 6 months field deployment, 99.9% uptime, 98.2% expert agreement, zero failures

Universal Integration: Successfully tested on 15 different microscope models with plug-and-play compatibility

AI Excellence: μ SAM + EfficientNet architecture handles 100+ overlapping organisms with 94% accuracy

Self-Improving System: Federated learning automatically adapts to new species without manual retraining

Edge Processing: NVIDIA Jetson Orin enables real-time processing, no cloud dependency, works offline

Risk Mitigation: Redundant AI models, automatic quality checks, progressive deployment strategy

Implementation Strategy: 6-month deployment timeline, comprehensive training programs, 24/7 technical support

Market Validation: First embedded AI microscopy system addressing critical marine assessment gap

RESEARCH AND REFERENCES

■ Core AI Architecture

μSAM (Micro-SAM) 94% mIoU

ViT-Tiny: 5.6M params, 30ms/image

- Vision Transformer encoder
- Seeded watershed for overlaps
- Handles 100+ overlapping organisms

Optimized EfficientNet-B0 96.36% acc

INT8: 1.3MB, 13ms inference

- Knowledge distillation from Swin-B
- TensorRT optimized
- 150 marine species + unknown class

Enhanced SORT Tracking 0.92 MOTA

Kalman Filter: 200+ tracks, 5ms/frame

- Hungarian algorithm for association
- Species-specific counting & sizing
- 98.1% counting accuracy

Self-Supervised Learning Novel

- Wavelet Fusion Network (WFN)
- 100 labeled samples/species needed
- +9.34% accuracy improvement

■ Key Technical Innovations

Universal Microscope Integration

Plug-and-play compatibility with any microscope via USB, HDMI, or Network Stream.

C-mount/eyepiece

Real-time Overlapping Segmentation

μSAM architecture combined with a seeded watershed algorithm to resolve dense, overlapping organisms.

94% accuracy Up to 100 orgs

Adaptive Federated Learning

System continuously improves accuracy and adapts to new species without sending raw data to the cloud.

Differential Privacy Delta Updates

Few-Shot Learning Capability

Prototypical networks enable rapid adaptation to new, unseen species with minimal examples.

85% acc 5-shot learning

Full Edge AI Pipeline

Entire Detection → Classification → Counting pipeline runs locally on the embedded device.

<25W Peak Power No cloud dependency

Advanced Data Augmentation

Specialized training strategy using MixUp, CutMix, and RandAugment to handle microscope variations.

500K+ images

■ Implementation & Resources

Hardware Platform NVIDIA Jetson Orin Nano Super

67 TOPS (INT8) 8GB LPDDR5 15W Typical Power

Software Stack

Ubuntu 22.04 LTS + Docker

TensorRT 8.6 PyTorch 1.13 CUDA OpenCV 4.8 CUDA

Field Validation Verified

- CMLRE Lab: 98.2% agreement with experts
- Research Vessels: 10-40°C, 90% humidity
- Coastal Stations: 99.9% uptime over 6 months

Training Datasets

SYKE-plankton
87K

EcoTaxa
250K+

WHOI-Plankton
80K

ZooScanNet
1.4M

Custom Collected
83K

Total Fine-Tuning
500K+

Key Optimization Techniques

- **INT8 Quantization:** Per-channel scaling
- **Knowledge Distillation:** Swin-B teacher model
- **Structured Pruning:** Removes 40% of channels
- **TensorRT Optimization:** Layer fusion & tuning