

Introduction to BIDS

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BIDS

BRAIN IMAGING DATA STRUCTURE

"A simple and intuitive way to organize and describe your neuroimaging and behavioral data."

<https://bids.neuroimaging.io/index.html>

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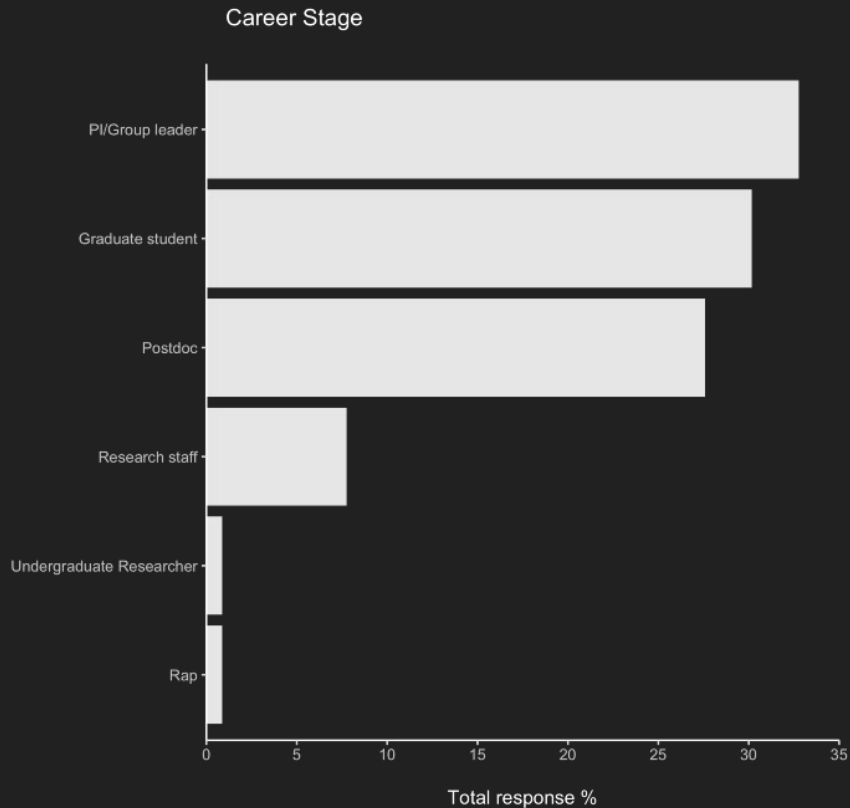
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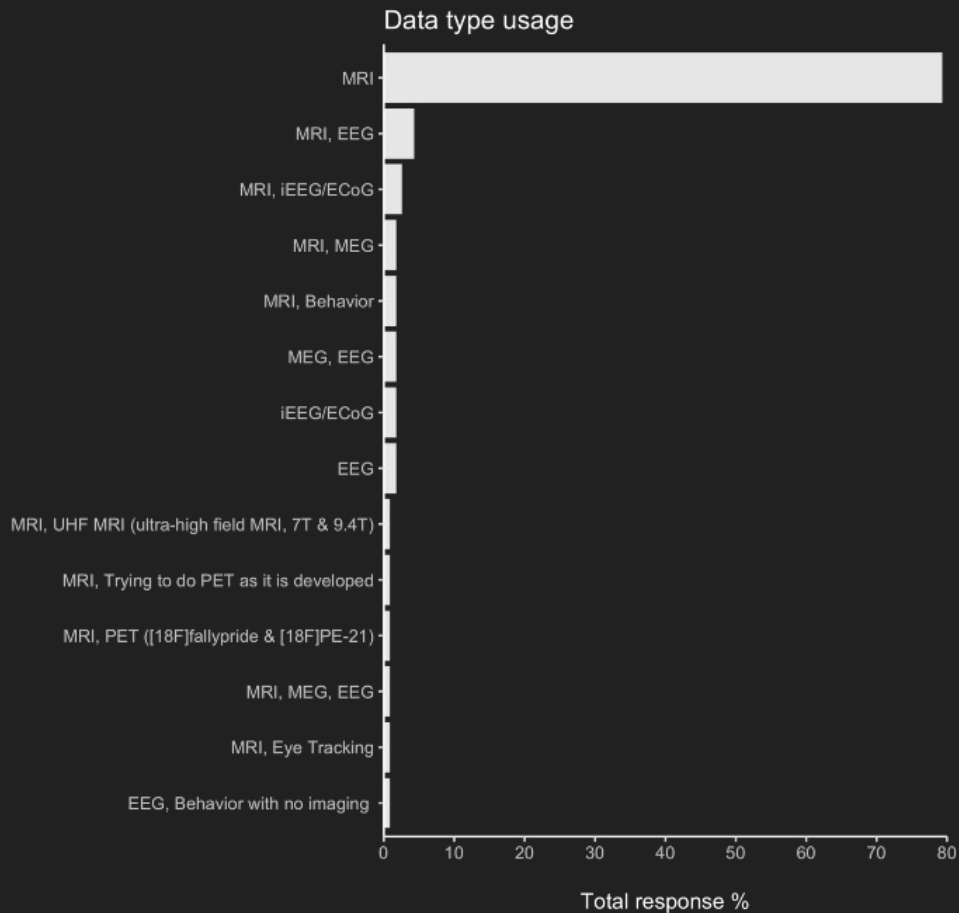
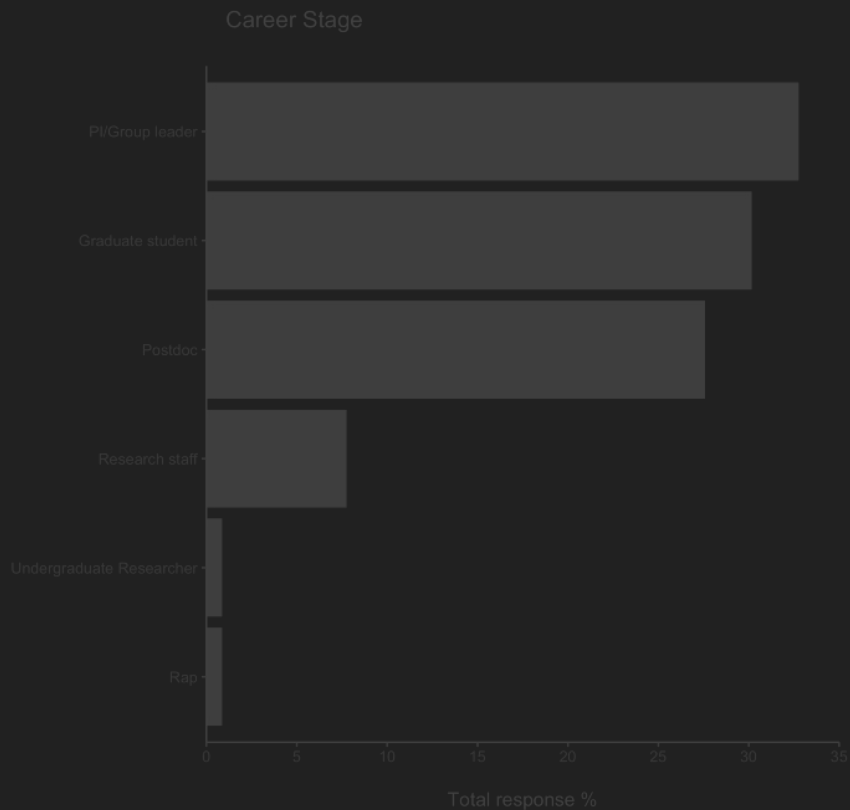
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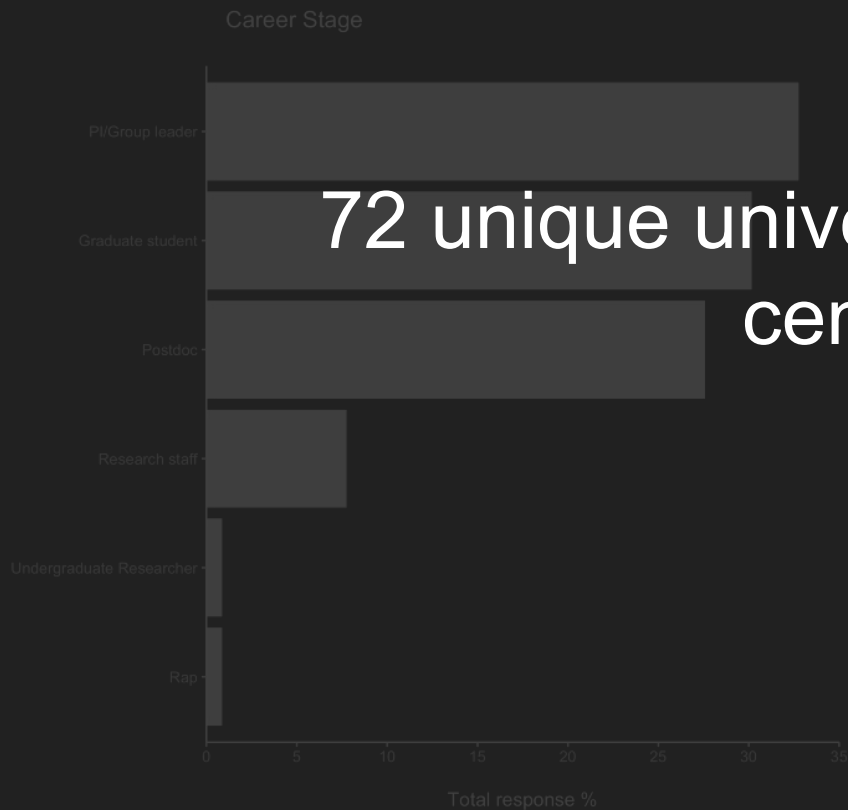
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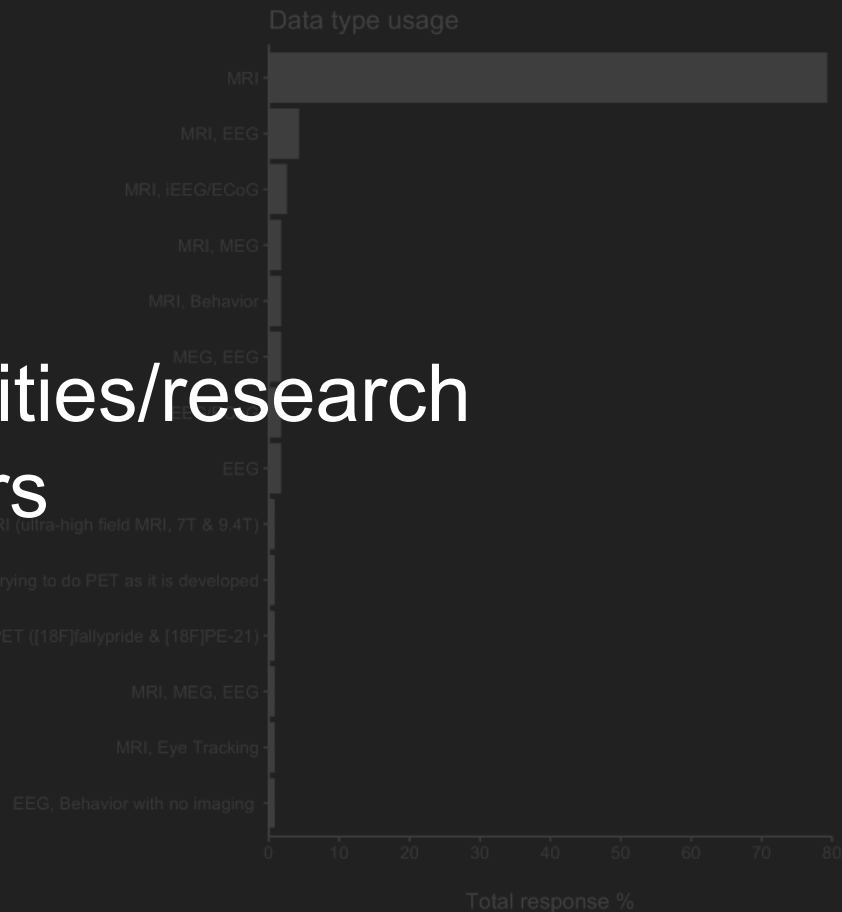
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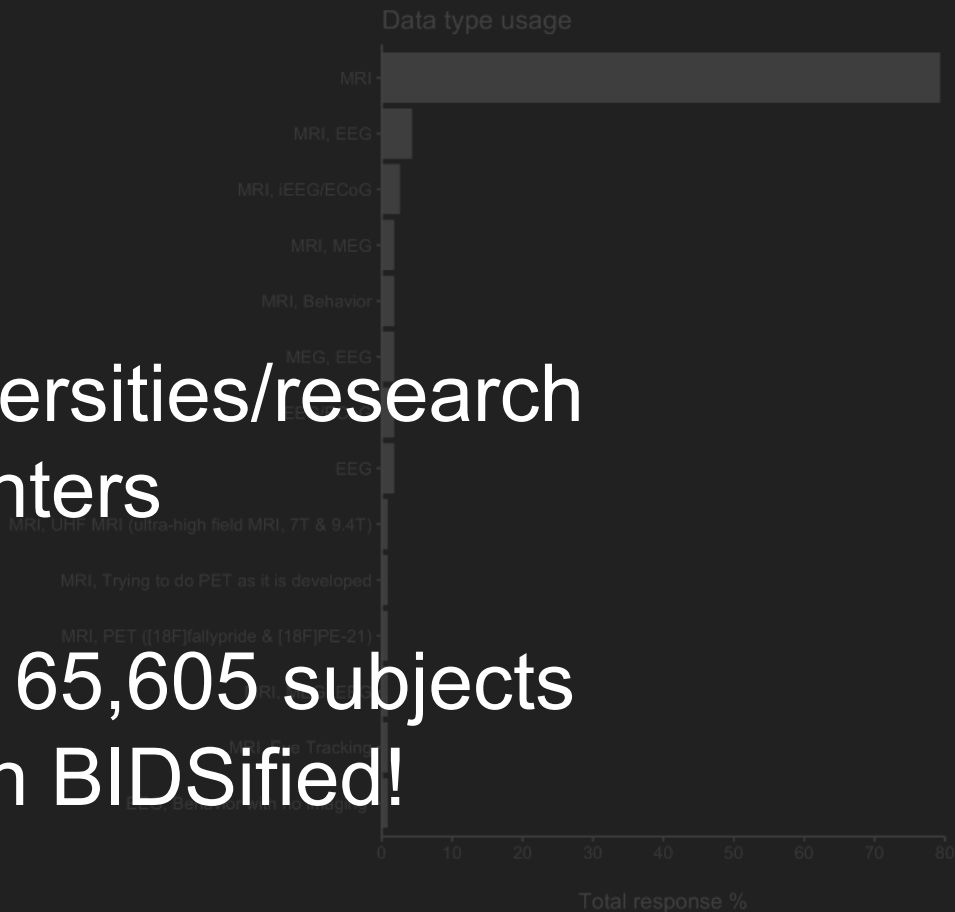
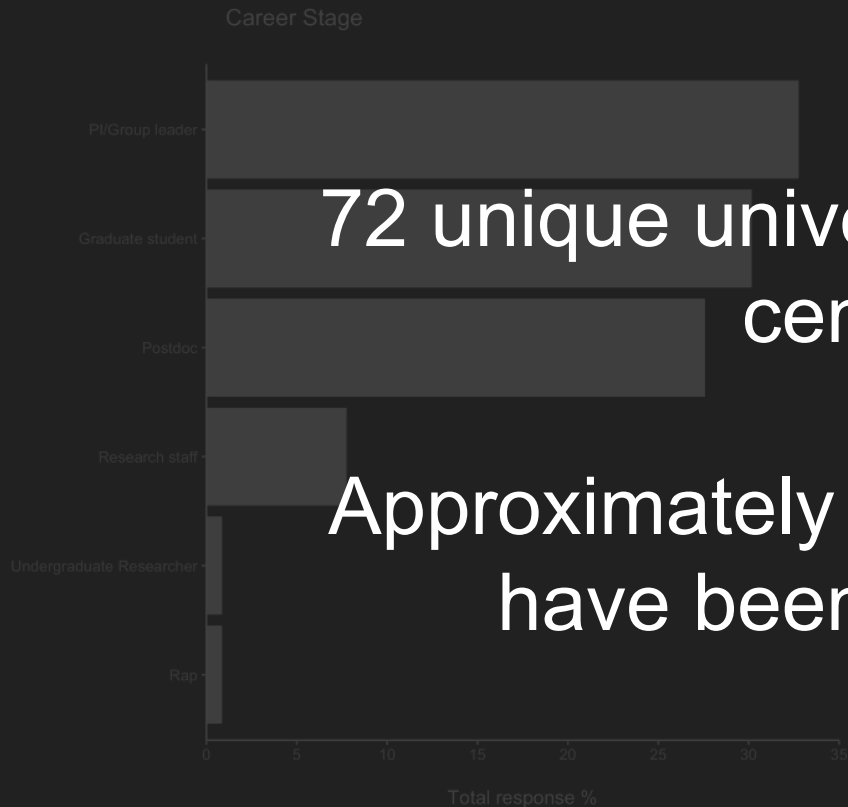
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Approximately 65,605 subjects have been BIDSified!

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my_dataset/

participants.tsv

sub-01/

anat/

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Basic filename structure

Anatomical → anat

Diffusion-weighted → dwi

Field mapping → fmap

Functional → func

```
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│       ├── sub-01_task-nback_run-01_events.tsv
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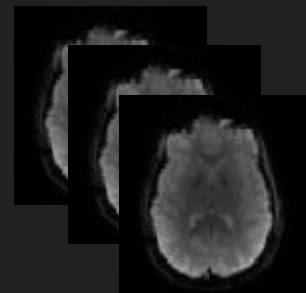
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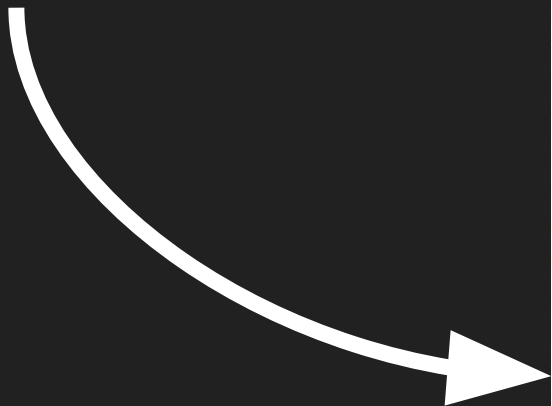
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FlipAngle: 15
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ConversionSoftwareVersion: "v1.0.20170130"
SliceEncodingDirection: "k"
EffectiveEchoSpacing: 0.000345002
CoilCombinationMethod: "Sum of squares"
ManufacturersModelName: "TrioTim"
ProtocolName: "3D_EPI_2mm_localiser_B380"
TaskName: "localizer"
InstitutionAddress: "15 Chaucer Road, Cambridge CB2 7EF, UK"
ImageType: [] 8 items
ReceiveCoilName: "32 Chn Head"
EchoTime: 0.03
MagneticFieldStrength: 3
SliceTiming: [] 30 items
ParallelReductionFactorInPlane: 2
InstitutionName: "MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit"
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AcquisitionDateTime: "2012-09-12T12:54:43.820312"
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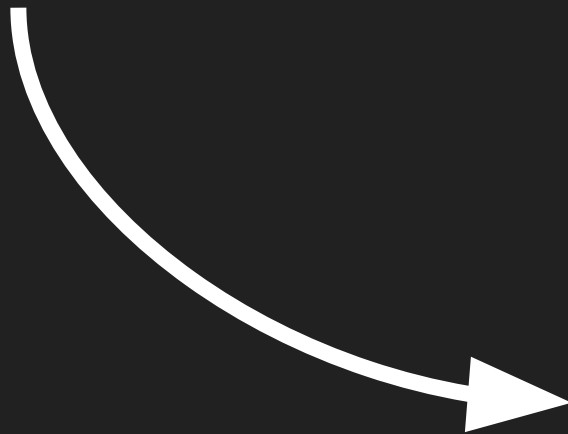
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sub-01_task-localizer_run-01_events.tsv



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48.00	16.00	scrambled
80.00	16.00	faces
112.00	16.00	places
144.00	16.00	objects
176.00	16.00	places
208.00	16.00	faces
240.00	16.00	scrambled
272.00	16.00	scrambled
304.00	16.00	objects
336.00	16.00	faces
368.00	16.00	places

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└─ sub-01_phasediff.nii.gz

└─ sub-01_phasediff.json

└─ sub-01_magnitude1.nii.gz

└─ sub-01_magnitude1.json

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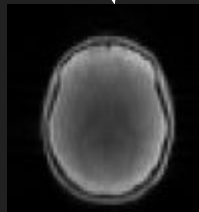
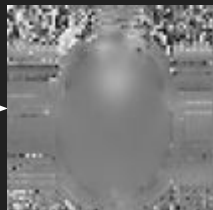
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Converting MRI data to BIDS

HeuDiConv Installation

- **Local:** ``pip install heudiconv[all]``
- **Anaconda:** ``conda install --channel conda-forge heudiconv``
- **Docker:** ``docker pull nipy/heudiconv:latest``
- **Singularity:** ``singularity pull docker://nipy/heudiconv:latest``

Basic Pipeline

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[raw data]
[no structure]

via HeuDiConv

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user-defined heuristic

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[BIDS format]



Creating your heuristic: convertall.py

```
LOCAL_DIR=/mnt/data/raw/  
OUT_DIR=/mnt/data/subjects/  
SUBID=01
```

```
heudiconv \  
-d ${LOCAL_DIR}/{subject}/*/*IMA \  
-s ${SUBID} \  
-f convertall \  
-c none \  
-o ${OUT_DIR}
```


`${OUT_DIR}/.heudiconv/{subject}/info/dicominfo.tsv`

C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
series_id	dcm_dir_r	unspecific	unspecific	dim1	dim2	dim3	dim4	TR	TE	protocol_n
5-gre_fiel	GRE_FIELD	-	-	68	68	92	1	0.449	7.38	gre_field_
6-gre_fiel	GRE_FIELD	-	-	68	68	46	1	0.449	7.38	gre_field_
7-ep2d 3.0	EP2D_3_0I	-	-	68	68	46	121	2.5	30	ep2d 3.0m
9-ep2d 3.0	EP2D_3_0I	-	-	68	68	46	121	2.5	30	ep2d 3.0m
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26-gre_fie	GRE_FIELD	-	-	70	70	112	1	0.546	7.38	gre_field_
27-gre_fie	GRE_FIELD	-	-	70	70	56	1	0.546	7.38	gre_field_
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Creating your heuristic: `convert_study.py`

- Create a custom Python script (e.g., `convert_study.py`)
- This allows HeuDiConv to convert your data to BIDS based on your study's parameters
- See a template script here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1bwMm2bp3iZs33QpfaYIk44kQ0MSder0c/view?usp=sharing>

Running HeuDiConv: `convert_study.py`

```
LOCAL_DIR=/mnt/data/raw/  
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SUBID=01
```

```
heudiconv \  
-d ${LOCAL_DIR}/{subject}/*/*IMA \  
-s ${SUBID} \  
-f convert_study.py \  
-c dcm2niix \  
-b --minmeta \  
-o ${OUT_DIR}
```

Running HeuDiConv: `convert_study.py`

```
LOCAL_DIR=/mnt/data/raw/
```

```
OUT_DIR=/mnt/data/subjects/
```

```
SUBID=01
```

```
SESID=01
```

```
heudiconv \
```

```
-d ${LOCAL_DIR}/{subject}/{session}/*/*IMA \
```

```
-s ${SUBID} --ses ${SESID} \
```

```
-f convert_study.py \
```

```
-c dcm2niix \
```

```
-b --minmeta \
```

```
-o ${OUT_DIR}
```

Running HeuDiConv using Docker

```
SUBID=01
docker run --rm -it \
-v /mnt/data/raw:/raw:ro \
-v /mnt/data/subjects:/output \
nipy/heudiconv:latest \
-d /raw/{subject}/*/*IMA \
-s ${SUBID} \
-f convert_study.py \
-c dcm2niix \
-b --minmeta \
-o /output
```

Running HeuDiConv using Singularity

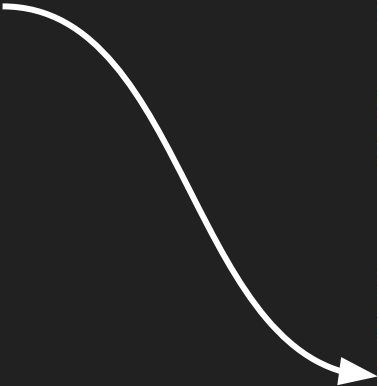
```
SUBID=01
singularity run --cleanenv \
--bind /mnt/data:/data \
~/simgs/heudiconv-latest.simg \
-d /data/raw/{subject}/*/*IMA \
-s ${SUBID} \
-f convert_study.py \
-c dcm2niix \
-b --minmeta \
-o /data/output
```

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```
ReferencesAndLinks:
  0: "https://doi.org/10.1101/029603"
Funding: "ERC (261352)"
Name: "Adjudicating between face-coding models with individual-face fMRI responses"
License: "CC0"
BIDSVersion: "1.0.1"
Authors:
  0: "Johan D Carlin"
  1: "Nikolaus Kriegeskorte"
Acknowledgments: ""
HowToAcknowledge: "Please cite associated manuscript (in press, PLOS Computational Biology); This data was obtained from the OpenfMRI database. Its accession number is ds000232."
```


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PARTICIPAN...	AGE	SEX
sub-01	27	F
sub-02	29	F
sub-03	25	F
sub-04	30	F
sub-05	38	F
sub-06	22	F
sub-07	31	M
sub-08	36	M
sub-09	37	M
sub-10	24	F

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Some final notes

- Your .json files might contain identifiable information about subjects (data from Georgetown CFMI typically doesn't have this, but double-check)
- Anatomical data need to be de-faced
- Metadata in *_phasediff.json and *_magnitude.json files may need to be manually entered for fMRIPrep (if multiple fmaps), add:

```
"IntendedFor":  
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"func/sub- '${SUBID}' _task-localizer_run-02_bold.nii.gz",  
"func/sub- '${SUBID}' _task-localizer_run-03_bold.nii.gz"],
```

More resources!

- [BIDS Starter Kit](#)
- [BIDS Tutorial Series](#)
- [BIDS Core Specification Outline](#)
- [Existing BIDS Presentations](#)
- [Guide to building BIDS apps](#)
- [BIDS app template on GitHub](#)
- [BIDS Validator](#)
- [pyBIDS](#)
- [Neuroimaging Core \(Read the Docs\) Resources](#)