

**Figure 1:** From top to bottom. Original  $Ca^{2+}$  traces (top), de-bleached traces with a custom-written program in Igor (middle), and normalized traces only using  $F_{min}$  as in equation (1) (bottom). Interpretation (??).

Normalization of Ca<sup>2+</sup> traces:

$$F_{norm} = \frac{F - F_{min}}{F_{min}} \tag{1}$$

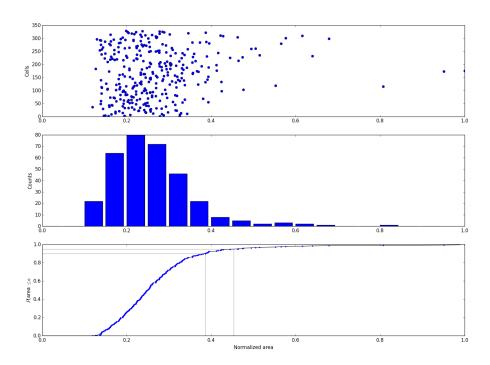


Figure 2: Area under the curve for each of the traces in the data set.