

ERRORS

Error 1:

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AttributeError: 'str' object has no attribute 'read_bytes'
C:\Users\hzlcn\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python312\Lib\site-packages\shiny\reactive\_reactives.py:566: ReactiveWarning: Error in Effect: 'str' object has no attribute 'read_b
ytes'
  await self._run()
Unhandled error: 'str' object has no attribute 'read_bytes'
INFO:      connection closed

```

Description:

Immediately after uploading any file, the app crashes with:

Step-by-Solution:

Step 1:

```
file_info = input.file_upload()
# file_info[0] is a dict with keys: ['name', 'size', 'type', 'datapath']
# file_info[0]["datapath"] is a STRING path, not a file object
```

Step 2:

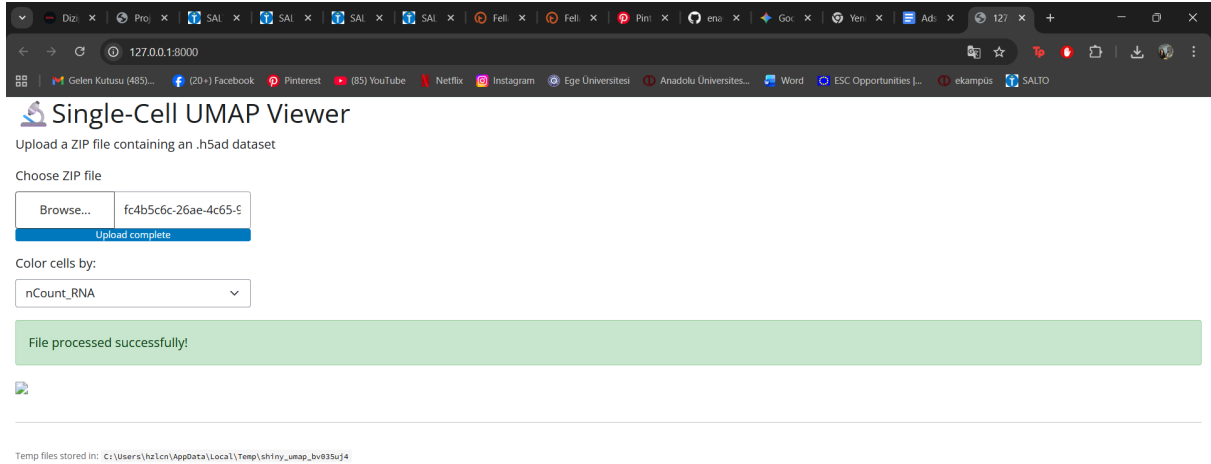
```
src_path = file_info[0]["datapath"] # This is a string path
```

Open the file at that path

with open(src_path, "rb") as src:

```
    file_content = src.read() # Now you can read it
```

Error 2:



Description:

After uploading a valid ZIP file, the dropdown populates correctly but the UMAP plot shows a broken image icon (empty box with red "X").

Step-by-Step Solution:

Step 1: Locate the broken line

Find this line in your `umap_plot()` function:

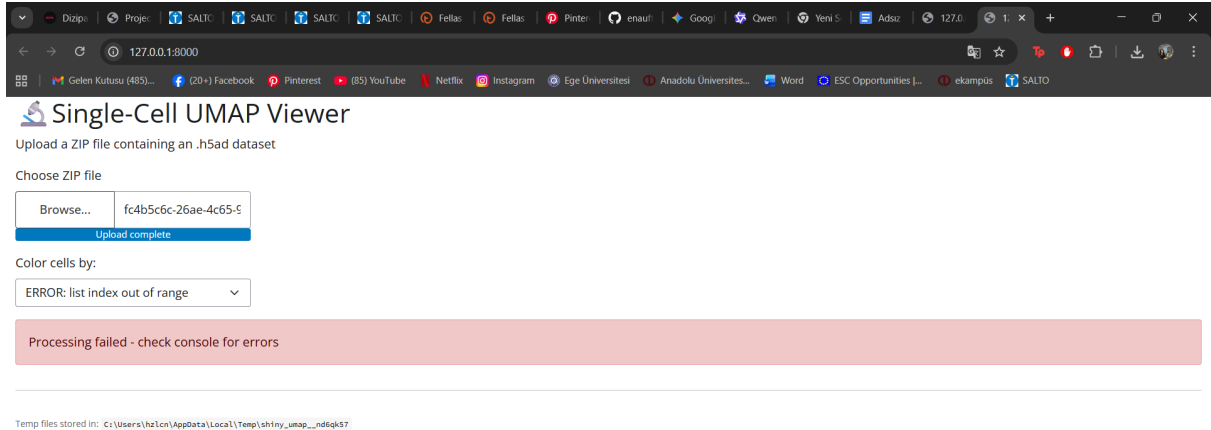
```
return ui.img(src=f"image/png;base64,{img_base64}", style="max-width: 100%;")
```

Step 2: Add the `` prefix

Fixed Code:

```
return ui.img(src=f"data:image/png;base64,{img_base64}", style="max-width: 100%;")
```

Error 3:



Description:

Uploading a ZIP file that contains no .h5ad file crashes the entire app with:

Step-by-Step Solution:

Step 1: Add validation before accessing the list

```
h5ad_files = [f for f in os.listdir(TEMP_DIR) if f.endswith(".h5ad")]
```

Check if list is empty

if not h5ad_files:

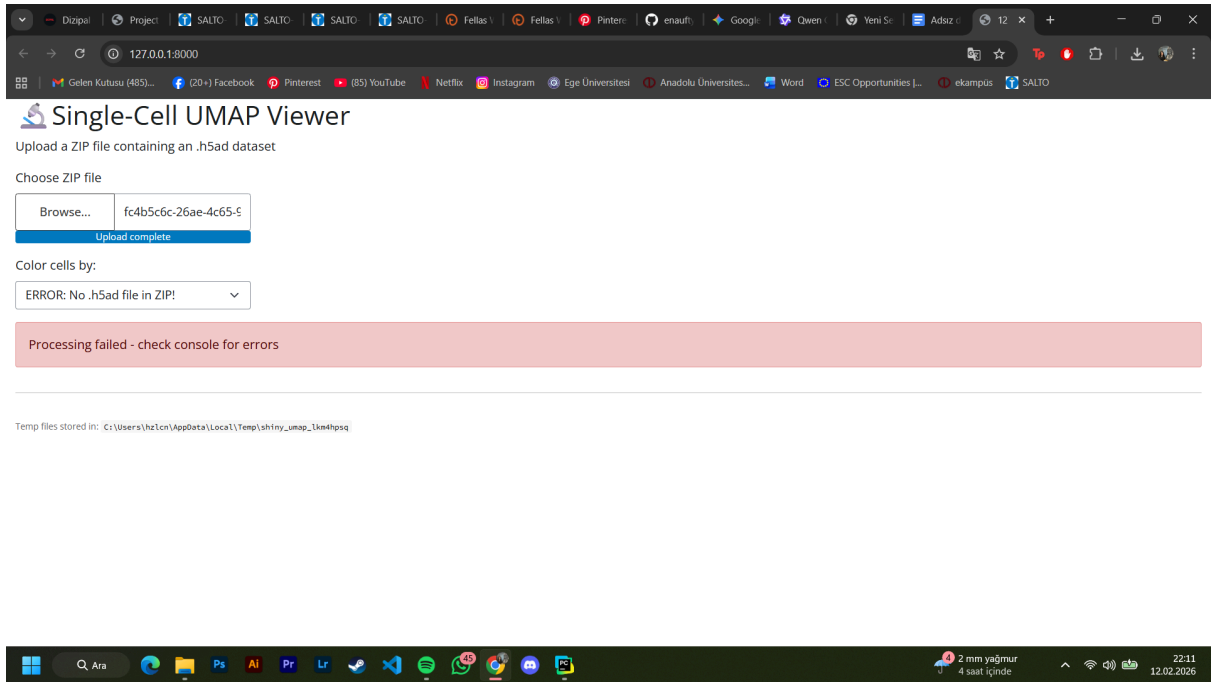
Show user-friendly error in UI

```
ui.update_select("color_by", choices=["ERROR: No .h5ad file found in ZIP!"])
```

```
print(f" ZIP contents: {os.listdir(TEMP_DIR)}")
```

```
return # Exit early
```

Error 4:



Description:

When a user uploads a ZIP file that does not contain any .h5ad file (e.g., ZIP with only text files or images), the application completely crashes with:

Step-by-Step Solution:

Step 1: Identify the Vulnerable Code Section

Locate the file extraction logic in your `handle_upload()` function (typically lines 40-50):
Find this section in your code

```
h5ad_files = [f for f in os.listdir(TEMP_DIR) if f.endswith(".h5ad")]
extracted_path = os.path.join(TEMP_DIR, h5ad_files[0]) # ← VULNERABLE LINE
h5ad_path.set(extracted_path)
```

Step 2: Add Validation Before List Access:

Add this validation block

```
h5ad_files = [f for f in os.listdir(TEMP_DIR) if f.endswith(".h5ad")]
print(f"Found .h5ad files: {h5ad_files}")
```

Important: Check if list is empty BEFORE accessing index

if not h5ad_files:

```
# Get contents of ZIP for helpful debugging
zip_contents = os.listdir(TEMP_DIR)
```

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# Create user-friendly error message
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```
error_msg = f"ERROR: No .h5ad file in ZIP! Found: {' '.join(zip_contents[:5])}"
```

```
if len(zip_contents) > 5:
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```
error_msg += f" ({len(zip_contents)-5} more files)"

# Log to terminal for debugging
print(f" {error_msg}")
print(f" Full ZIP contents: {zip_contents}")

# Update UI with error message
ui.update_select("color_by", choices=[error_msg])

# Reset state
h5ad_path.set(None)

# EXIT EARLY - prevent crash
return
```