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Abstract

Background & Summary

We scanned a *lot* of different mouse strains and so-called hybrids, both male and female. One scan for each strain, each hybrid and each sex gives already 90 samples.

Methods

Sample preparation

- Mice were euthanized and decapitated
- Mouse skulls were stored in EMA
- Separated into 4 batches of approximately 110 animals, labeled as B batch_number animal number A and B batch_number animal number B.

Tomographic imaging

- SkyScan 1272 with sample changer
- All log files available here: https://github.unibe.ch/david-haberthuer/InMice/tree/main/logfiles
- Report scaning settings and reconstruction parameter data according to¹
- Use a notebook to pull *all* the relevant data to report directly into the text here, or into a file that is loaded by manubot .

QA

- Use a collection of logfile wrangling code² to go through *all* the log files of all the aquired scans
 - Use this to surface issues related to aquisition (wrong setting) and reconstruction
- Look at average and maximal brightness of (a subset of) all the projection images aquired
 - Use this to surface issues related to acquisiton, e.g. sometimes the x-ray source inadvertedly shut down, or the counts were too low on the camera, etc.

Image processing

- Jupyter ³ notebooks, available here: https://github.unibe.ch/david-haberthuer/InMice/, for reproducible research.
 - Ingest complete, uncropped reconstructions with dask ^{4/}
 - Crop, based on axial MIPs
 - Save cropped data out as .zarr -files, ready to be loaded with n5-ij 5 in Fiji6
 - Save in other formats, to either use 3D Slicer 7/, doidoi:10.1016/j.mri.2012.05.001? or Dragonfly 8/

Data Records

Technical Validation

Usage Notes

Code Availability

• Jupyter notebooks

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