

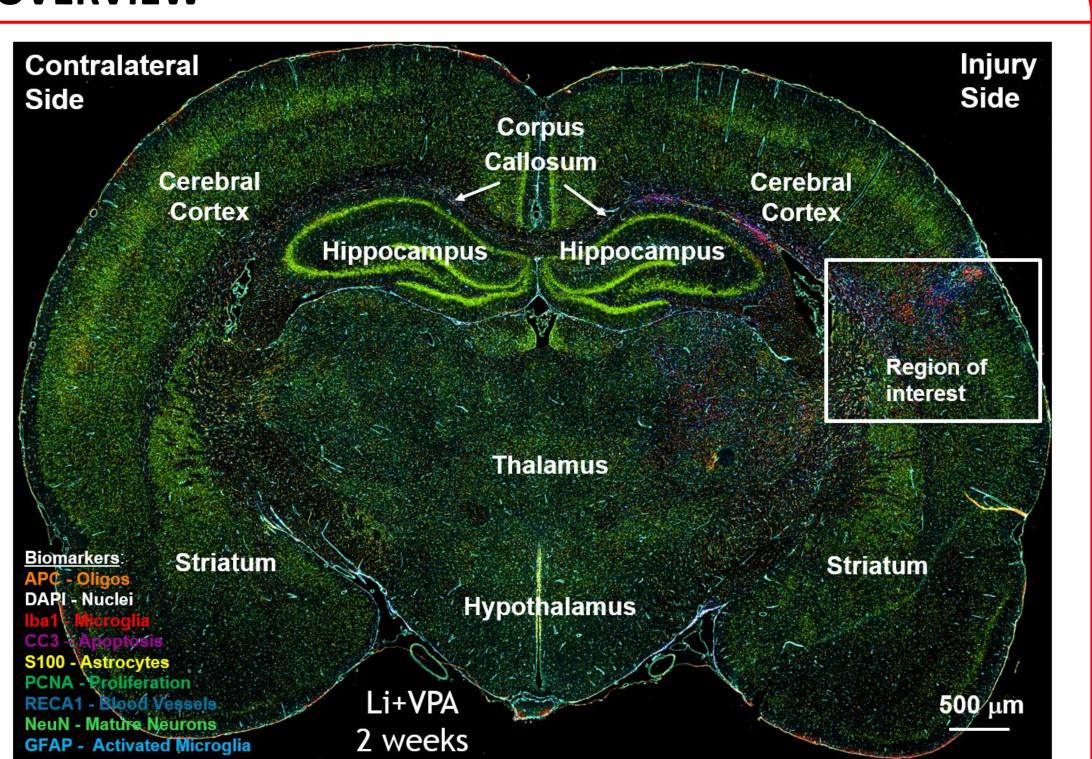
## Deep Hierarchical Profiling & Pattern Discovery: Application to Whole Brain Rat Slices After Traumatic Brain Injury

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OVERVIEW



**Figure 1.** Highly multiplexed fluorescence immunohistochemistry image illustrating the complex cellular responses and tissue remodeling trigged by a mild traumatic brain injury (lateral fluid percussion injury, 1.5 atm, 14 days).

Biomarkers for neuronal phenotyping			
NeuN	GAD67	Parvalbumin	Calretenin
Subset (+)	All (+)	Subset (+)	Subset (+)
All (+)	All (-)	Subset (+)	Subset (+)
Biomarkers for astrocyte phenotyping			
S100	APC	GFAP	GLAST
All (+)	Subset (+)	Subset (low)	Subset (+)
All (+)	Subset (+)	All (high)	All (+)
Biomarkers for oligodendrocyte phenotyping			
S100	APC	MBP	PLP
All (-)	All (+)	All (+)	All (+)
All (-)	All (+)	All (-)	AII (-)
Biomarkers for microglia phenotyping			
S100	APC	lba1	Tomato Lectin
All (-)	All (-)	All (+)	All (low)
All (-)	All (-)	All (+)	All (high)
All (-)	All (-)	All (+)	All (high)
Biomarkers for endothelial cell phenotyping			
S100	APC	RECA	Tomato Lectin
All (-)	All (-)	All (+)	Subset (+)
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**Table 1.** Boolean logic table for cell type classification.

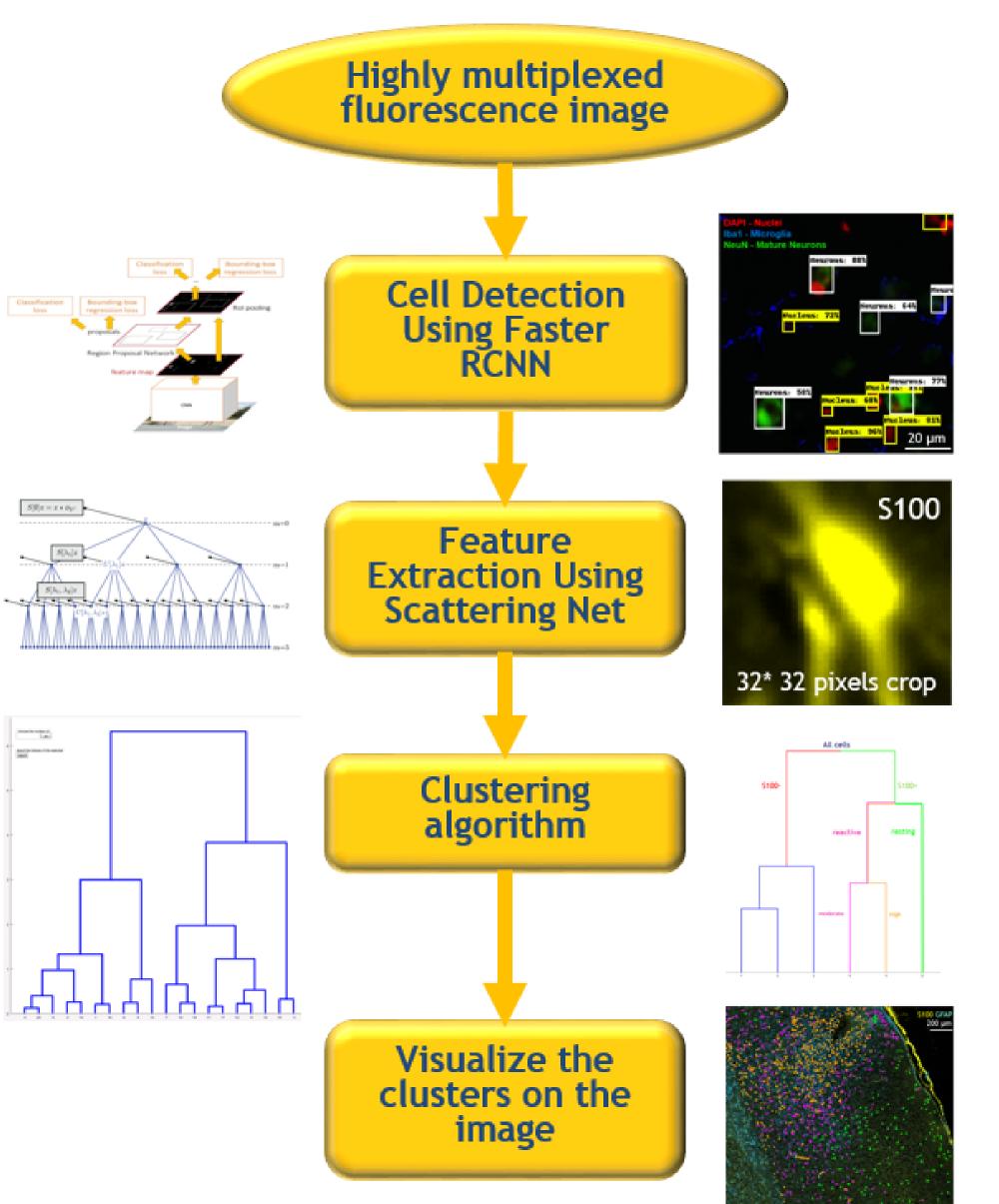
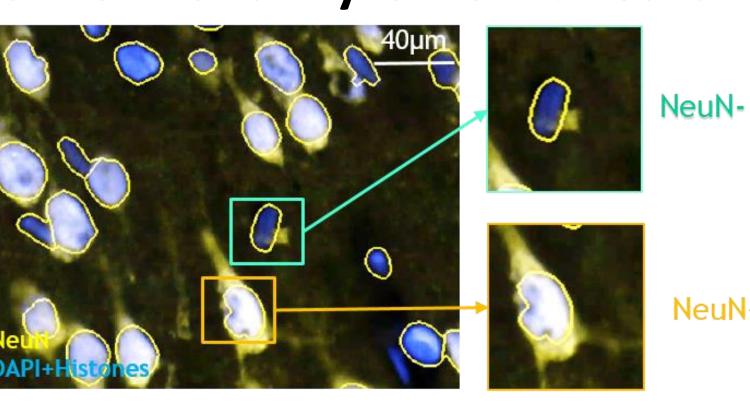


Figure 2. Image analysis pipeline.

#### FEATURE EXTRACTION

#### **Conventional Cytometric Features:**

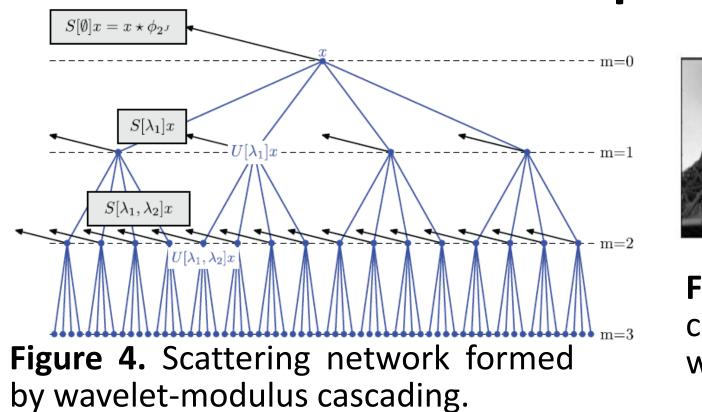


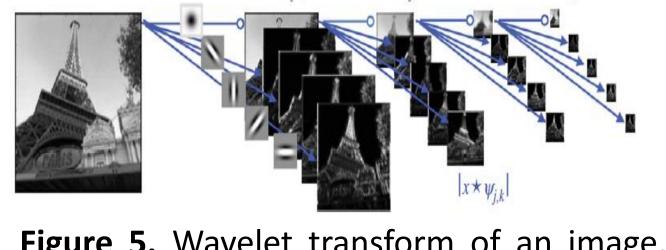
**Figure 3.** Nuclear segmentation of cells using DAPI +Histone channels.

#### **Traditional Features:**

- Nuclear morphological features are not able to capture thorough molecular signature.
- \* Associative features are dependent on nuclear segmentation of object.

#### **Deep Features:**





**Figure 5.** Wavelet transform of an image, computed with a cascade of convolutions with filters over 4 scales and 4 orientations.

1. Decomposing the signal in a family of wavelets with all dilation and rotation:

 $Wx(t) = \{x \star \phi(t), x \star \psi_{\lambda}(t)\}_{\lambda}$ average Convolution of signal with wavelets

2. Iteratively repeating the operator W.

### build multi layers—deep network

- Features are invariant to translation and stable to deformation.
- ✓ It does not require **extensive labeling** and **network training** in order to compute the deep features.
- It uses a multiscale set of **pre-defined** wavelet based filters.
- Features have the advantage of mathematical rigor unlike trained convolutional networks.

Deep features capture basal cell morphology and molecular distribution, JOINTLY.

#### **RESULTS**

#### 1. Layered Cytoarchitecture of Cortical Brain Tissue

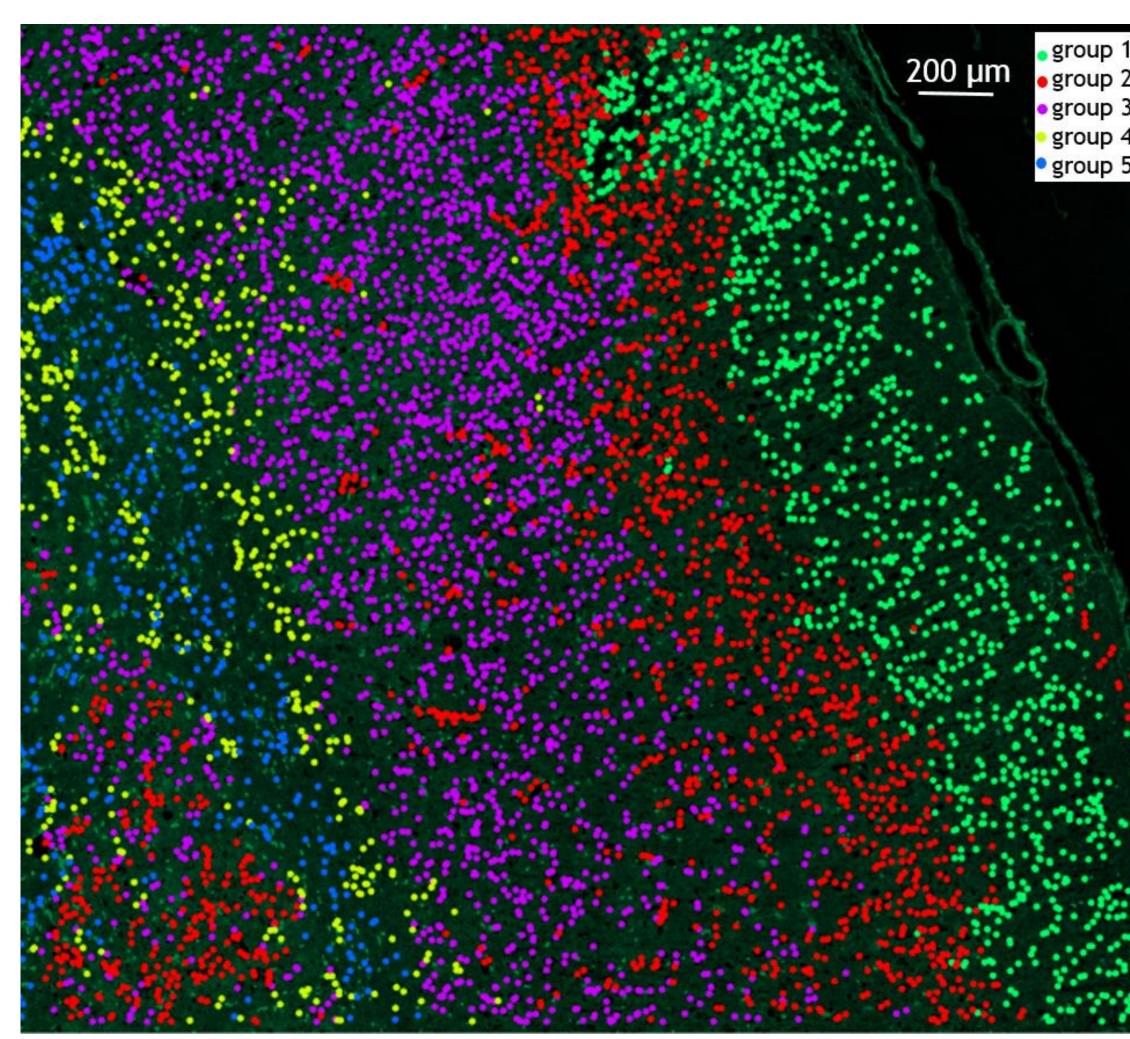
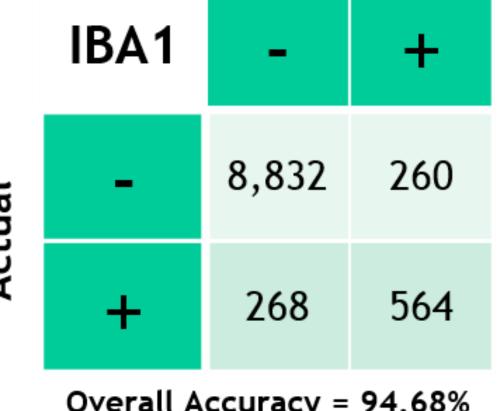
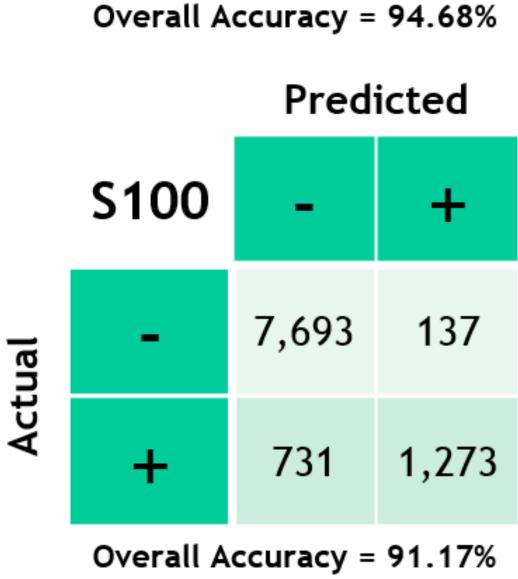


Figure 6. Clustering results of cells using APC/S100/PLP/MBP channels

**IMPACT:** Successfully recapitulated the layered cytoarchitecture of cortical brain tissue in an unsupervised manner based on oligo-glial features alone.

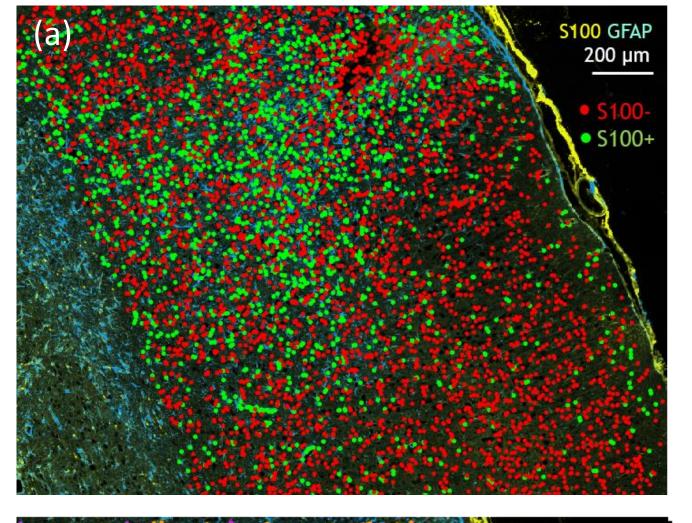
# 2. Unsupervised Cell Type Cluster Labeling Predicted IBA1 - +

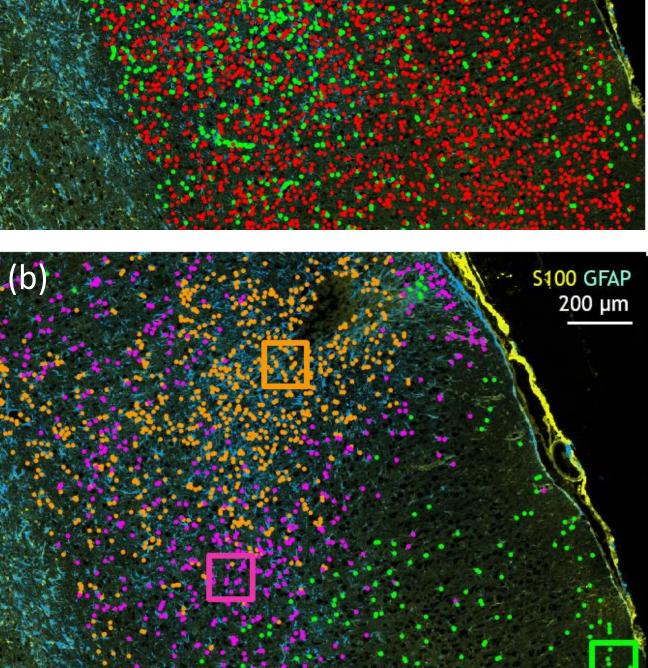


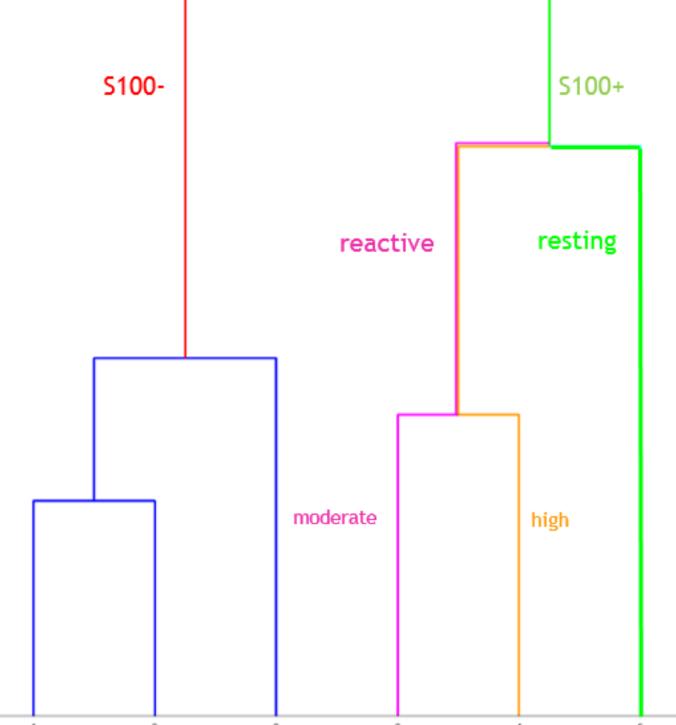


**IMPACT:** Provided an unsupervised alternative approach for cell type identification with > 90% accuracy.

#### 3. Deep Profiling of Astrocyte Activation Status







All cells

Figure 7. (a) Clustering results of detecting astrocytes among all the cells using S100 and GFAP channels (b) Clustering results of profiling activations of astrocytes using GFAP and GLAST channels — (c-e) Close-up of boxes — (f) Dendrogram of hierarchical clustering.

IMPACT: Enabled a deep profiling of astrocyte activation status in brain tissue in relation to each cell's location relative to the site of mild traumatic brain injury (mTBI).

#### CONCLUSIONS

- Developed a deep hierarchical clustering method for unsupervised profiling of cellular measurements that offers the following important advantages:
- It is capable of seamlessly combining the molecular signature of each cell with its morphological signature in order to help discover biologically meaningful cell clusters.
- It does not require extensive labeling and network training in order to compute the deep features, but delivers comparable performance. Instead, it uses a multiscale set of pre-defined wavelet based filters (Scattering Net) developed by Mallat. These features have the advantage of mathematical rigor unlike trained convolutional networks.
- Implemented a user friendly GUI (in MATLAB) that visualizes the mapping between the analysis results and the raw data:
  - The GUI takes advantage of the cluster distances depicted in the dendrogram to enable effective interpretation of the cell clusters by the user.

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