Proposed

- Trim non-breech face impression regions
- Remove dropouts & outliers
- Apply band-pass
 Gaussian regression
 filter

Ambiguities

- Trimming performed manually – processed data not publicly available
- How are "outliers" defined?
- How to "remove" dropouts?
- Regression filter implicit parameters not specified

Implementation

- RANSAC + Hough Transform + crop exterior NA rows/columns isolates BF impression region
- Gaussian band-pass filter implemented

Calculate translation value at which each cell/region pair attains the maximum CCF value for each rotation considered

- How is CCF calculated from definition or by CC Theorem?
- How are processed surface matrices all of same dimension?
- Which algorithm is used to rotate matrices?
- CC Theorem used to determine translation alignment values
- Pairwise-complete correlation calculated after aligning
- Matrices rotated via nearest-neighbor interpolation

- Determine consensus-based reference values among estimated translation/rotation alignment values
- Count number of cell/region pairs with estimated alignment values within some distance of reference values and max CCF greater than some threshold
- Why median for both translation and rotation reference values? Mean or mode feasible alternatives?
- How to determine effective thresholds other than experimentation?
- Reference value function can be set separately for translation and rotation values. Default is median, but using mode for rotation reference value has seen some promise.
- Thresholds currently decided by experimentation.

- Perform comparison procedure in both directions
- Build CMC-θ distributions by counting congruent cell/region pairs for each θ value
- Identify if CMC-θ distribution attains a mode using High CMC criterion
- If mode is identified, count CMCs in and around mode. Otherwise, defer to Top Vote method CMCs.
- What if CMC-θ mode is wider than one θ value (i.e., consecutive θ values tie for the maximum CMC count)?
- What if a CMC-θ mode is only identified in one direction?
- If CMC-θ mode is wider than than one θ value, then the median of these θ values is used as the actual modal θ value
- Different user-specified options exist to handle cases in which a CMC-θ is identified in one direction