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application. Study design includes the initial idea and designing the architecture of the software modules. Methods development includes the independent acquisition of python development skills, developing prototypes, and the implementation of features into the design architecture. Data collection includes collecting test datasets for the software testing suite. Data analysis and interpretation includes developing the software testing suite (using pytest and continuous integration tools) and writing the online documentation (manuals and examples). Manuscript writing included the release of this software, which involved version control using GitHub, packaging and deployment on PyPi. RE gave feedback on the manuscript draft and has raised the funds for financing.

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