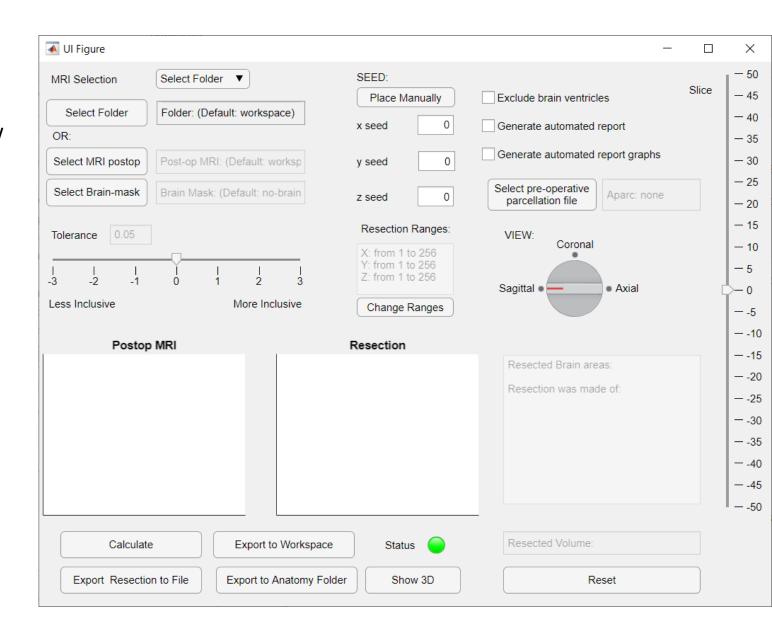
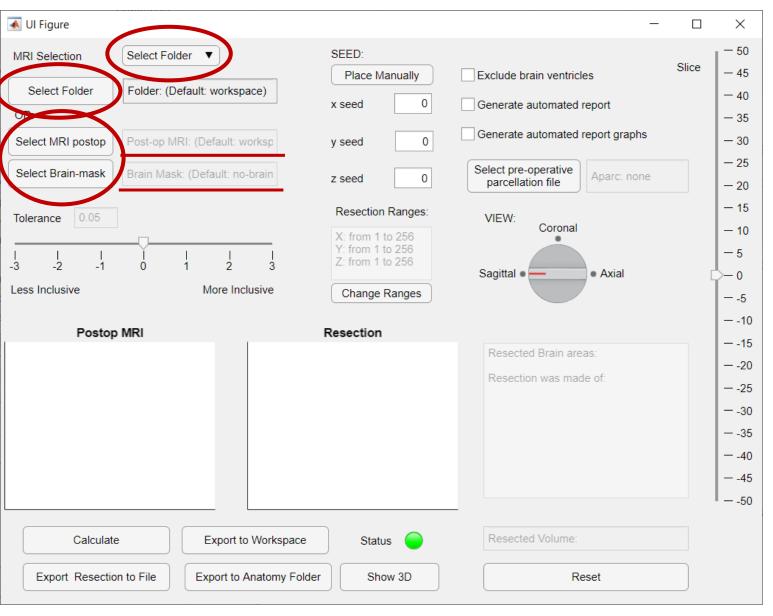
GUIDE: Resection Segmentation GUI

To start:

- Ensure that MATLAB appdesigner tool is installed and it is working on the machine by typing the command «appdesigner» in the command window
- Start Brainstorm, any protocol can be loaded
- -Run resection_app.mlapp by double click or by using the «Open» button in appdesigner.
- If this is the first time you are using the GUI, click on the «Code View», and add an «addpath» line in the main app (anywhere between line 55 to 62) specifying the path where the GUI and the pop_up extension file are saved.
- Press the green Run button in the top left of the window
- You do not need to run popup_range.mlapp: the main app will do it for you if needed



HOW TO SELECT PATIENTS' MRIs



Two methods:

- Select the folder of the patient where the MRIs are. Click «Select Folder» and select the patient's Brainstorm anatomy folder. The GUI will search for files named:

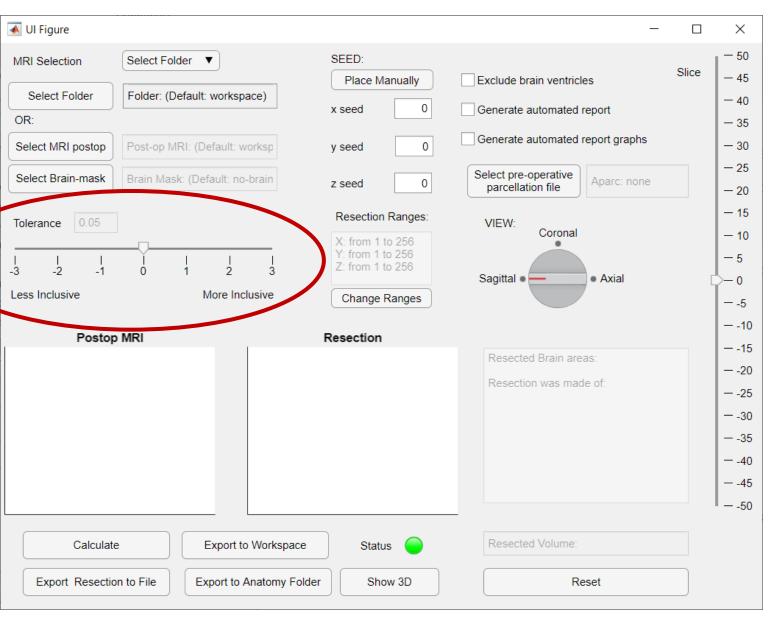
subjectimage_MRI_postop
subjectimage_brainmask

The GUI assumes that the brainstorm files have been renamed as "MRI_postop" and "brainmask" after being imported. If you want, you can change the names in line 513 and 517 (not recommended).

- Select the files separately, by clicking on "Select MRI postop" and then "Select Brain-mask". You can choose to load a *.mat or a *.nii file.

In both cases a popup window will appear to select the folder or the files. In both cases, the text fields will show the MRI names.

HOW TO SELECT METHODS AND TOLERANCES



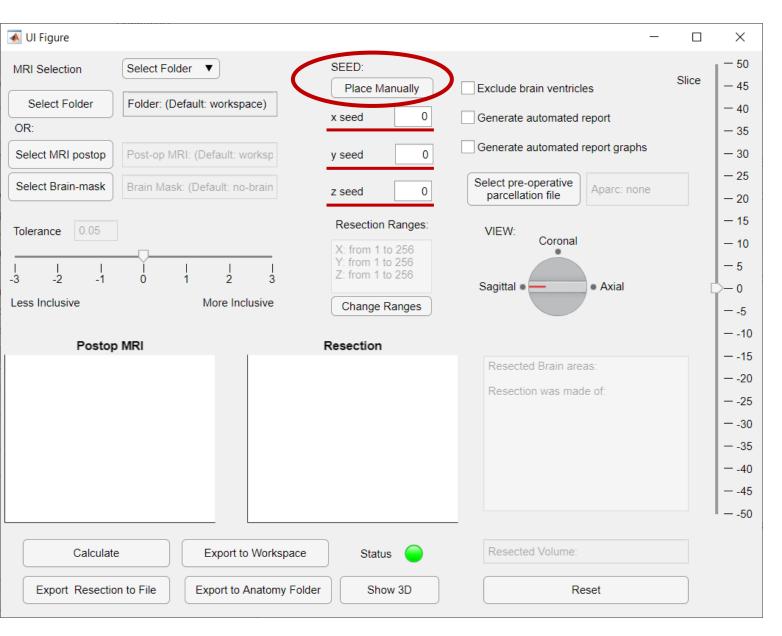
Change the region growing tolerance value using the tolerance slide.

To be <u>more inclusive</u> (bigger resections) use higher tolerance values (slicer to the <u>right</u>)

To be <u>less inclusive</u> (smaller resections) use lower tolerance values (slicer to the <u>left</u>).

If you are not sure on the value to use, leave it at its default value.

SEED PLACEMENT AND RANGES pt1

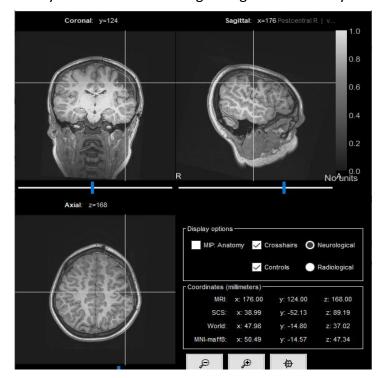


To place the seed, change the x,y and z voxel coordinates by tiping, or click «select Manually»

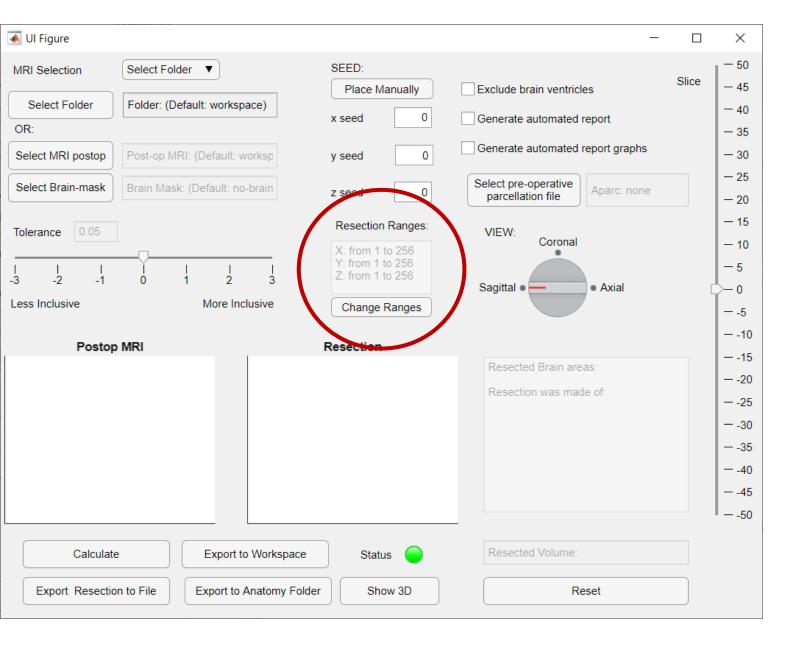
If you pressed the «Select Manually Button», a 3D MRI viewer of the post-operative MRI will appear. If not, there may be a problem with the brainstorm protocol or Brainstorm might not have been opened. Scroll the 3D viewer until you see the resection and place the crosshairs in the middle of the resection. Then, click on the command window and press enter.

The coordinates will be updated automatically.

We suggest to write down the limits in which you expect the resection to be, so that you can click on «Change Ranges» and modify them.

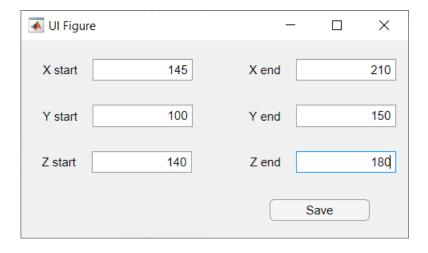


SEED PLACEMENT AND RANGES pt2

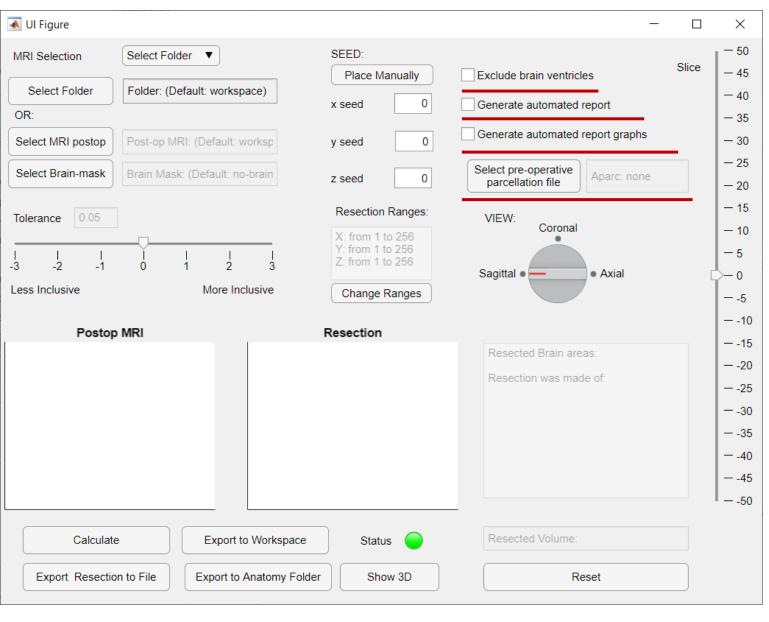


By clicking «Change Ranges», a popup window will appear, where the user can edit the resection ranges. When not specified, resection ranges corresponds to the image dimensions (usually 256x256x256)

If the window does not appear, there may be a problem with the popup_window file. Did you add the «addpath» line? (see slide 2)



VENTRICLES EXCLUSION AND % REPORTS



The app allows the user to exclude the growth of the resection model over the brain ventricles. This can be particularly important in resections such as in the temporal lobectomy

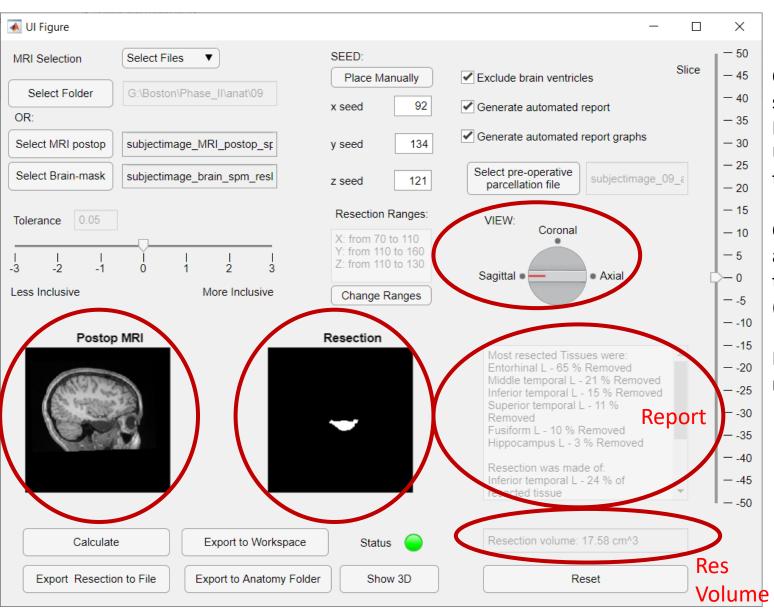
By selecting «exclude Ventricles», a popup window will appear for the user to select a preoperative segmentation or cortical parcellation file (if not already selected). Parcellations from Freesurfer, or segmentation files from SPM or Fieldtrip will work fine.

Select «Generate automated report» to get an anatomical report of the resection (you must select a preoperative cortical parcellation file if you have not already)

Select «Generate automated report graphs» to get graphs of the anatomical report (you must select a preoperative cortical parcellation file if you have not already)

To change the parcellation/segmentation file, click on «Select pre-operative parcellation file»

RESULTS



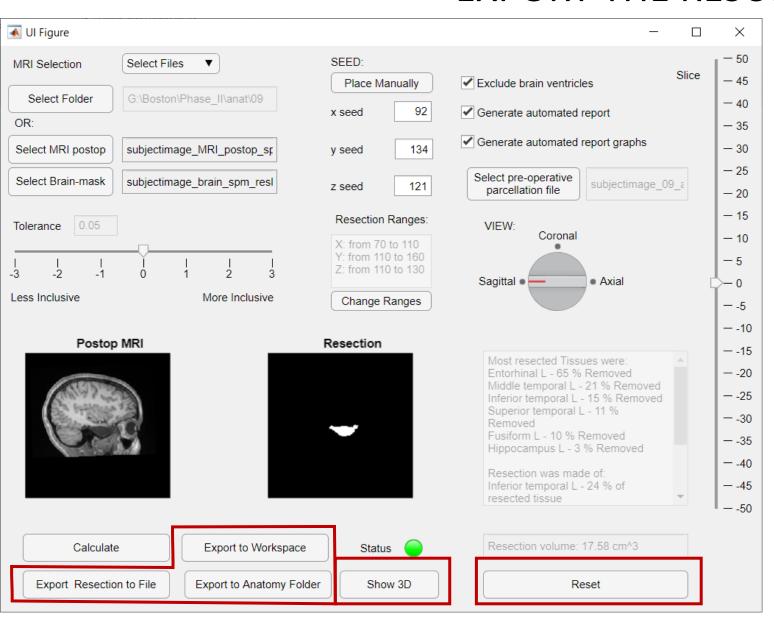
Click «Calculate» to have a preview of the segmentation process. You will see the post-operative MRI (left), and the resection (right).

Use the «Slice» slider on the right to change slice, or the VIEW Knob to change the MRI view.

On the right of the resection, there will be the anatomical report, showing both the most resected tissues (Top), and what the resection is made of (bottom).

Below the anatomical report there will be the resection volume in cm³.

EXPORT THE RESULTS



If you are satisfied from the results, you can Export the model and some info to workspace by selecting «Export to workspace». You can choose to use the scs or the voxel coordinates

... Or you can export the *.mat file of the model by selecting «Export Resection to File». This is suggested when the resection model has to be inserted in a brainstorm protocol: in this case the user has to select the patient's anatomy folder.

If you want to save the resection model in the exact same patient's folder as the post-operative MRI, you can also select «Export to Anatomy folder».

It is also possible to visualize the 3D model through the Brainstorm 3D MRI viewer, by clicking on «Show 3D»

Click the «Reset» button to clean all the results and start over

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