

Tracking

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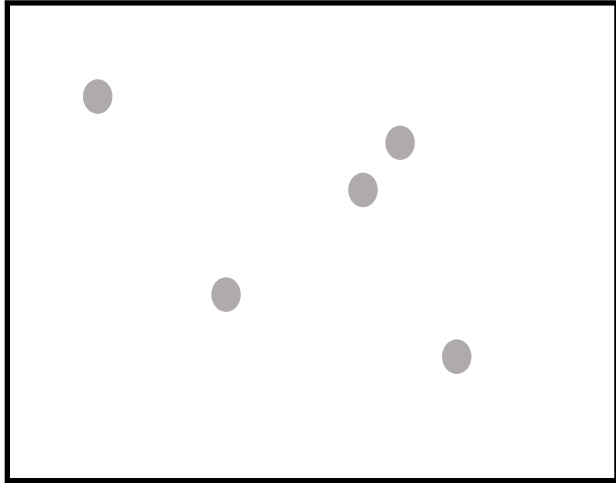
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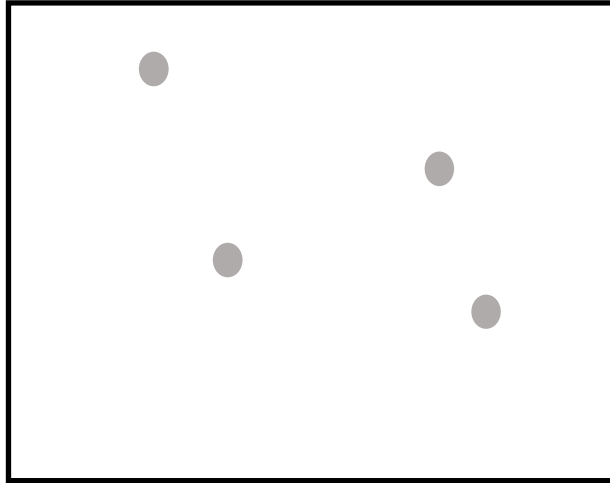
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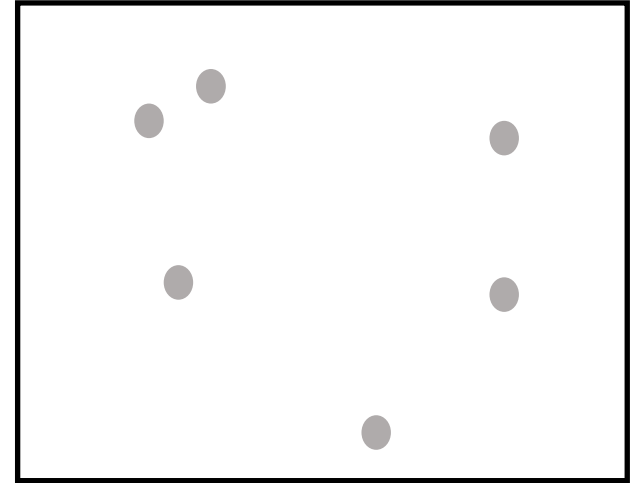
TRACKING MAIN STEPS



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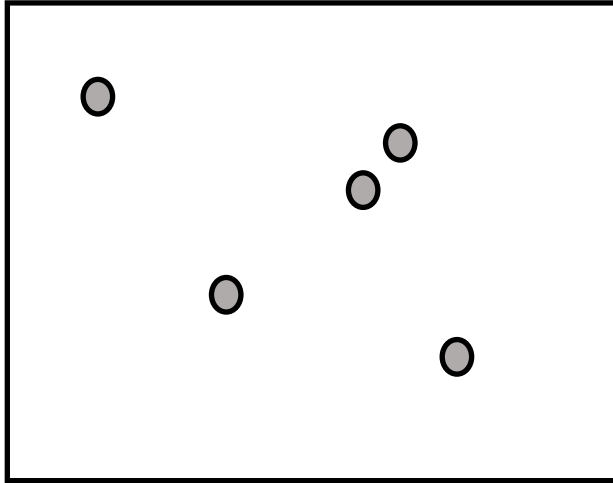
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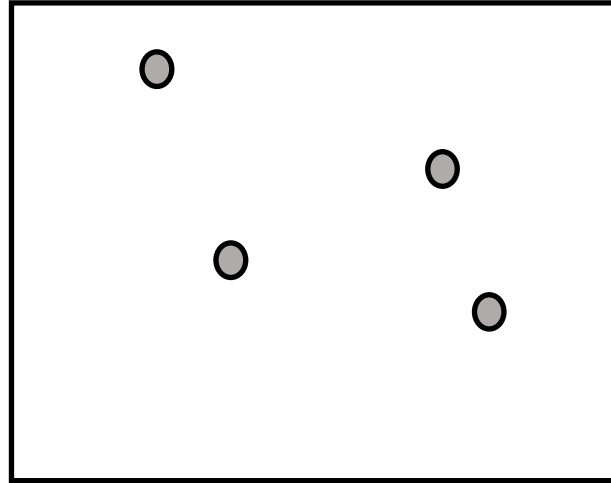
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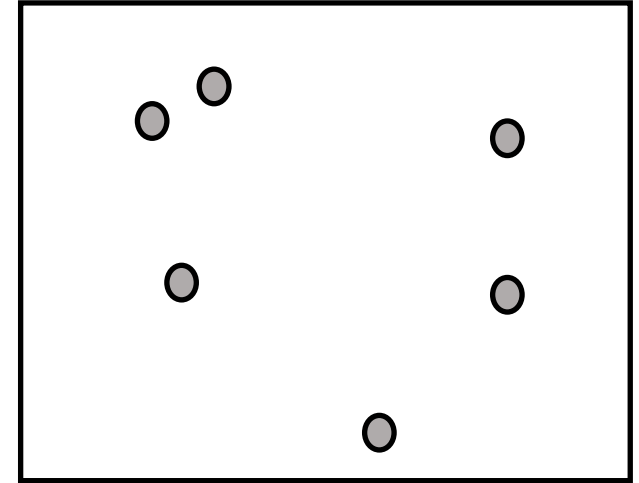
Segmentation



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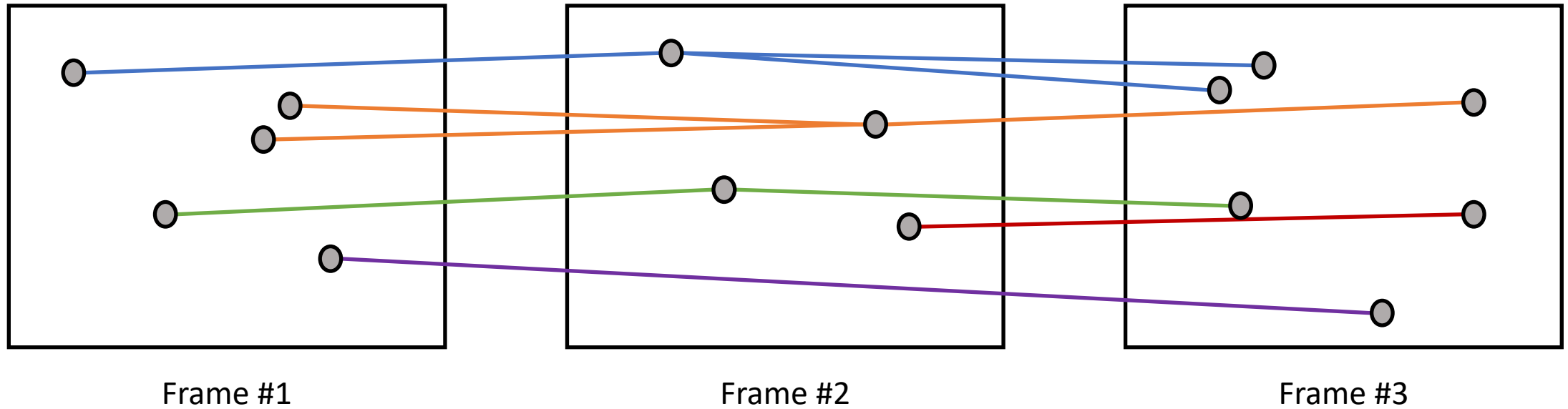
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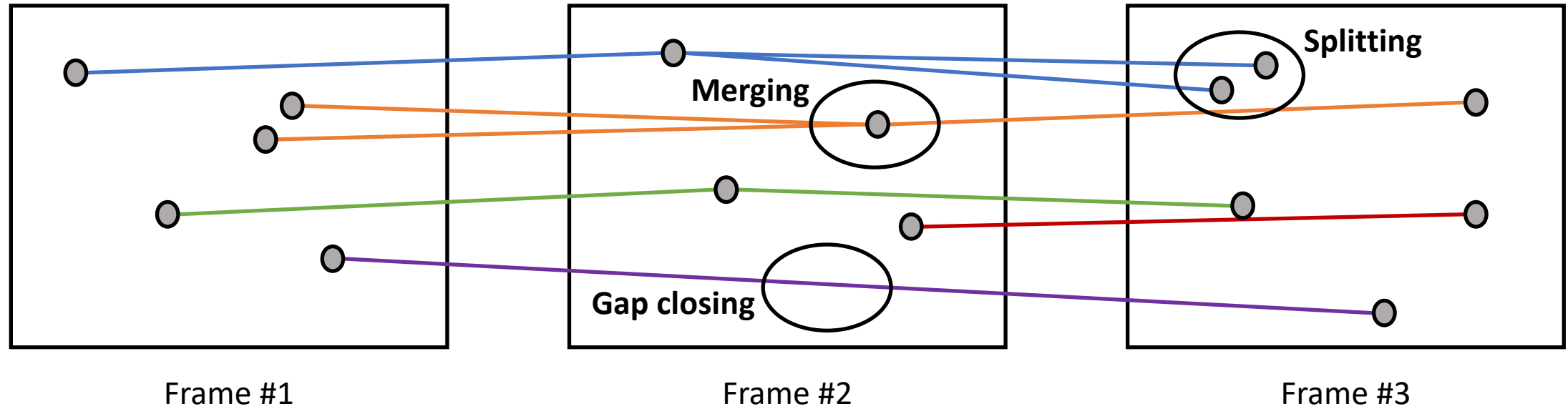
TRACKING MAIN STEPS

Data association, particle linking,...



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Special events





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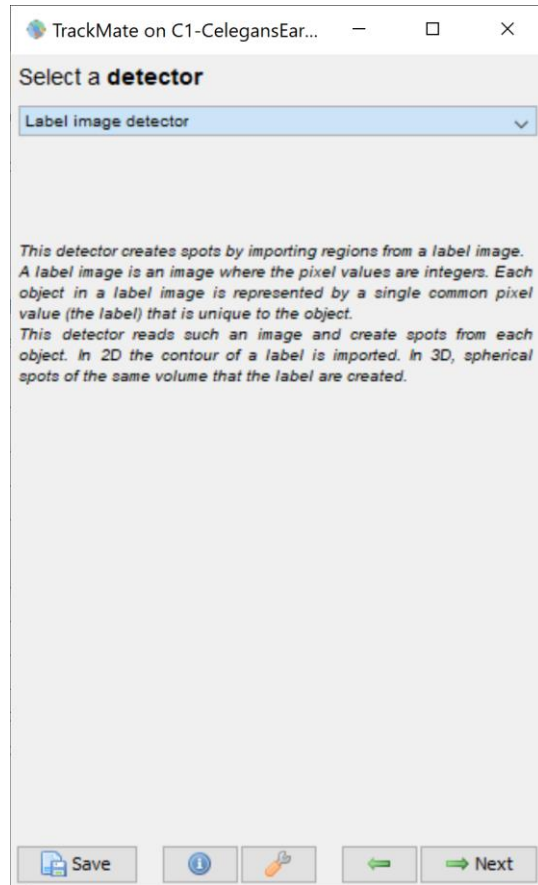
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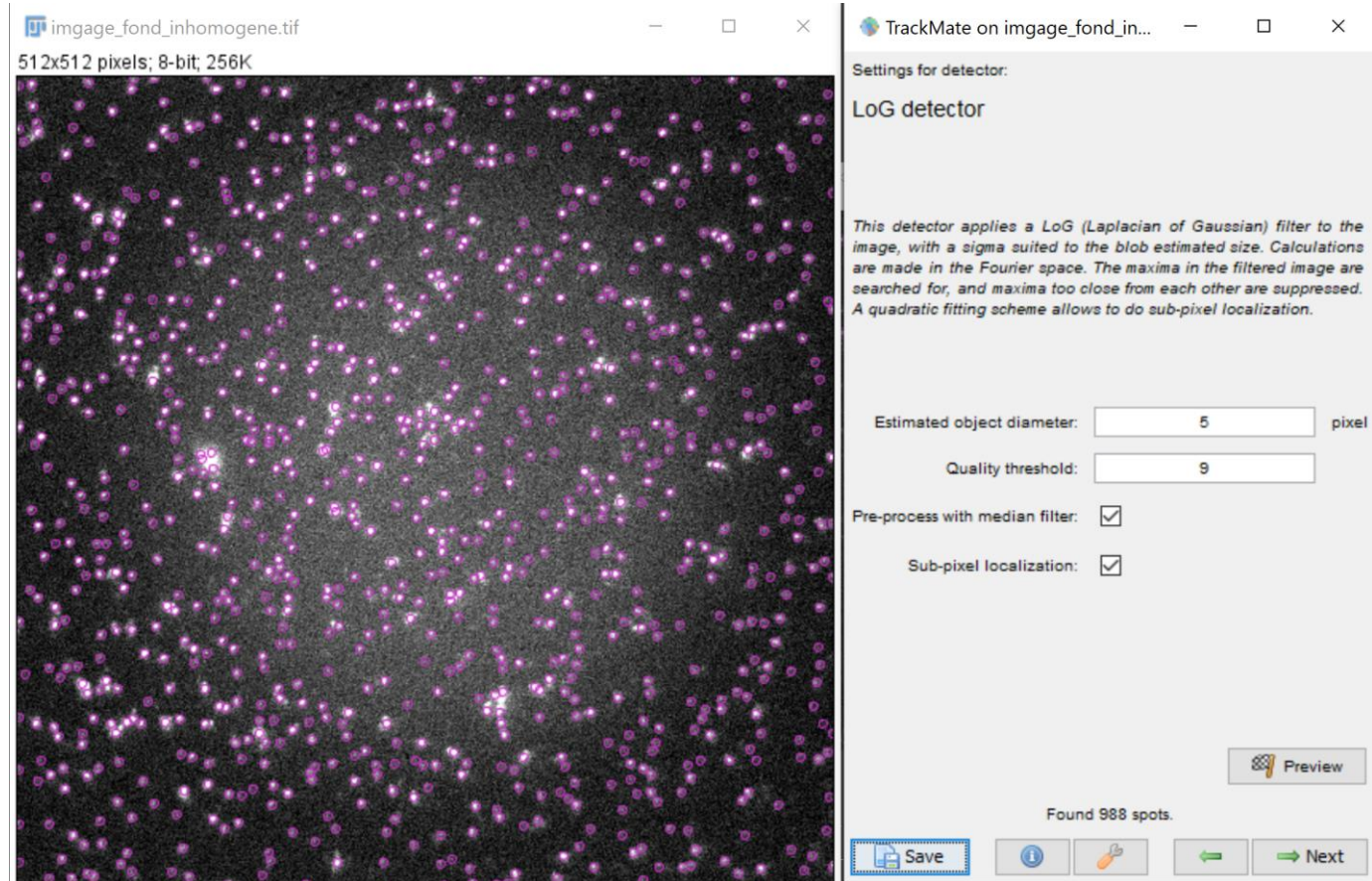
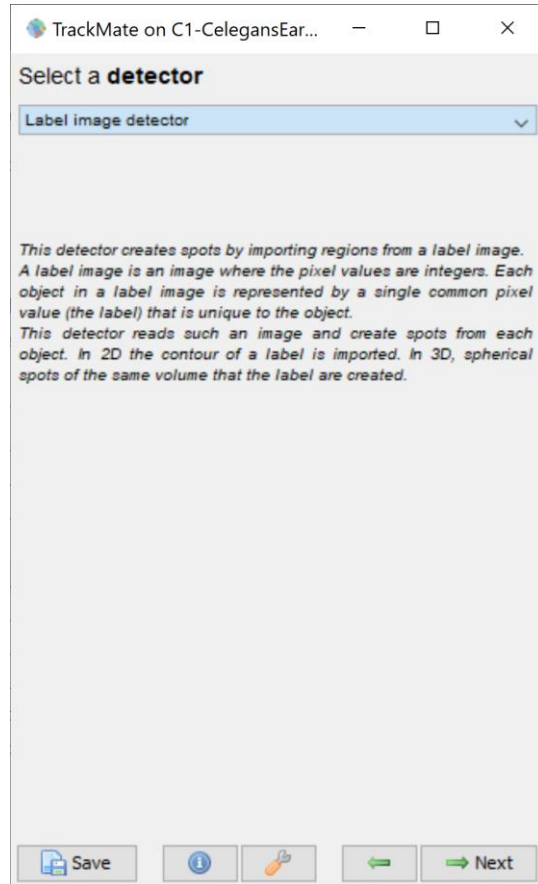
Classic detectors:

- **Manual annotation**
- **Threshold detector**
- **DoG/LoG detector**



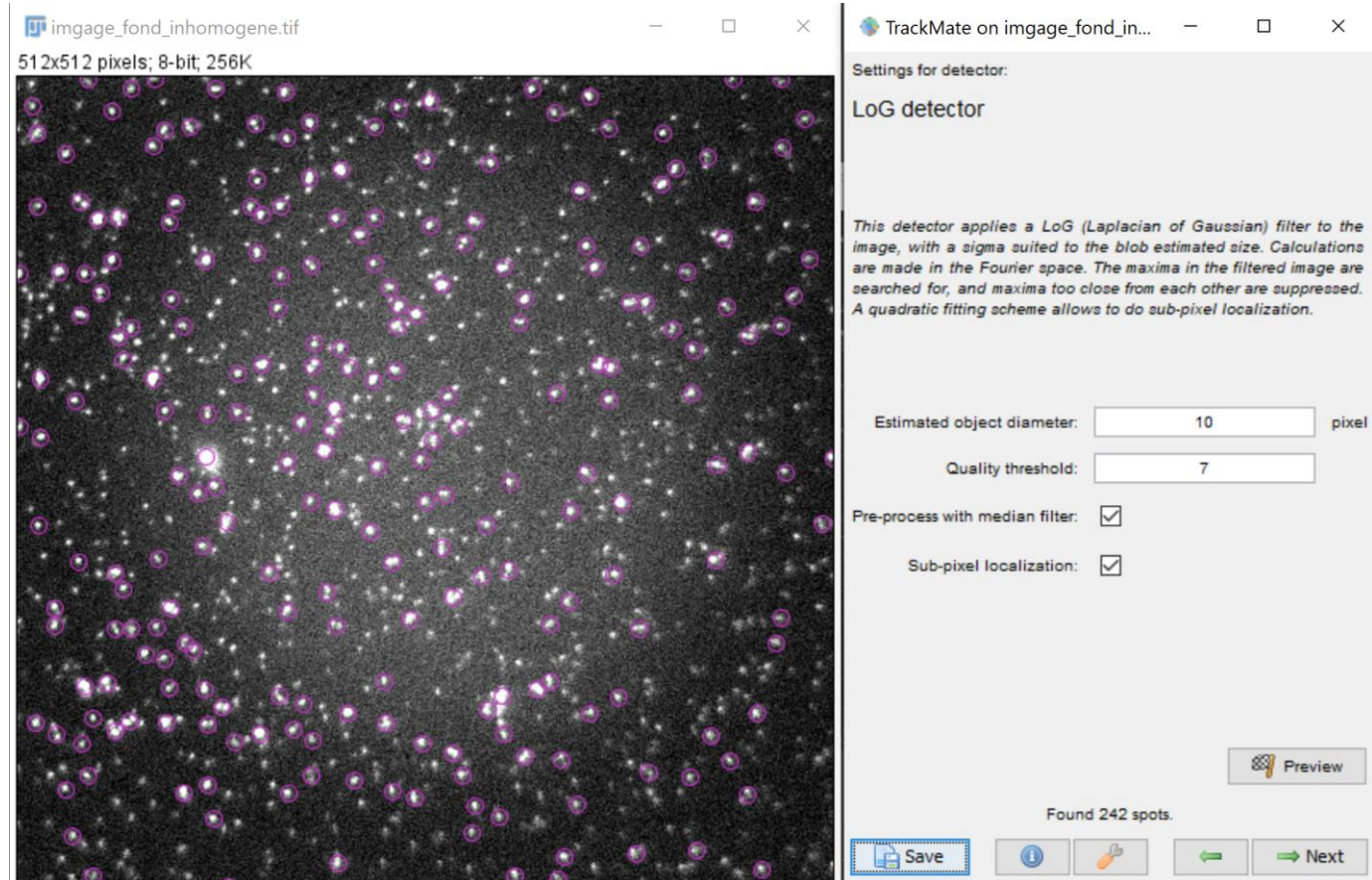
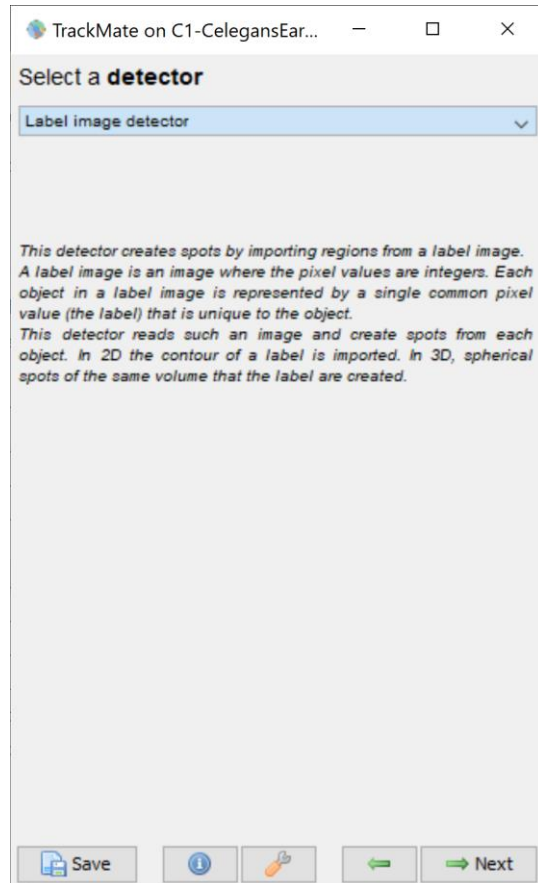
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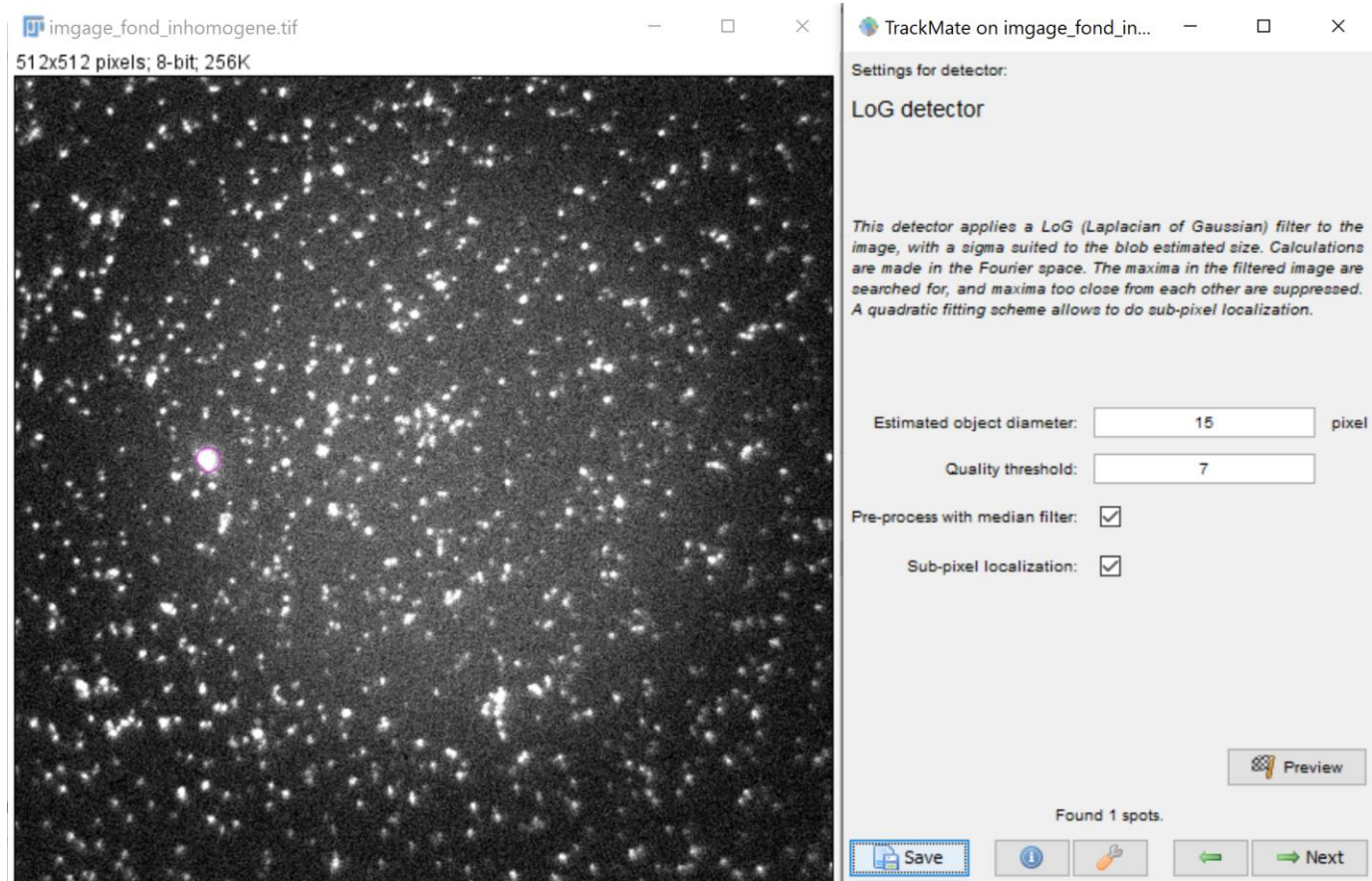
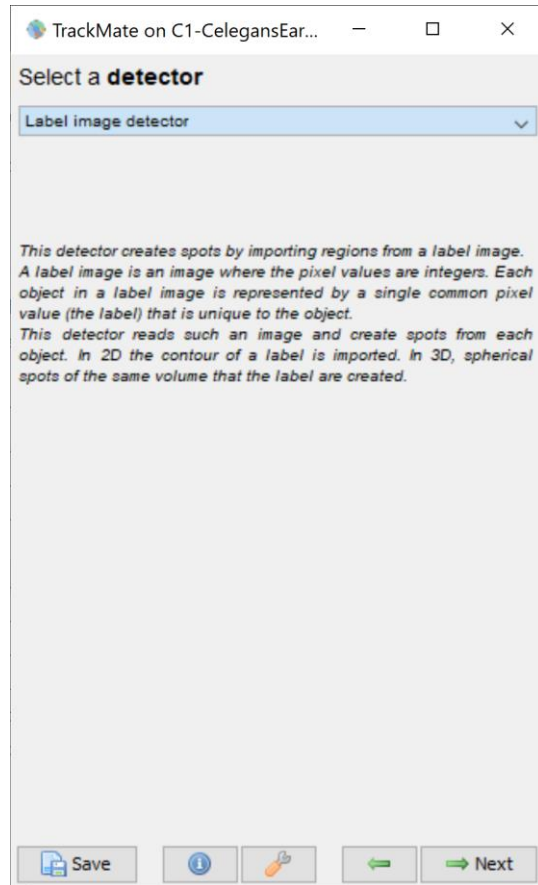
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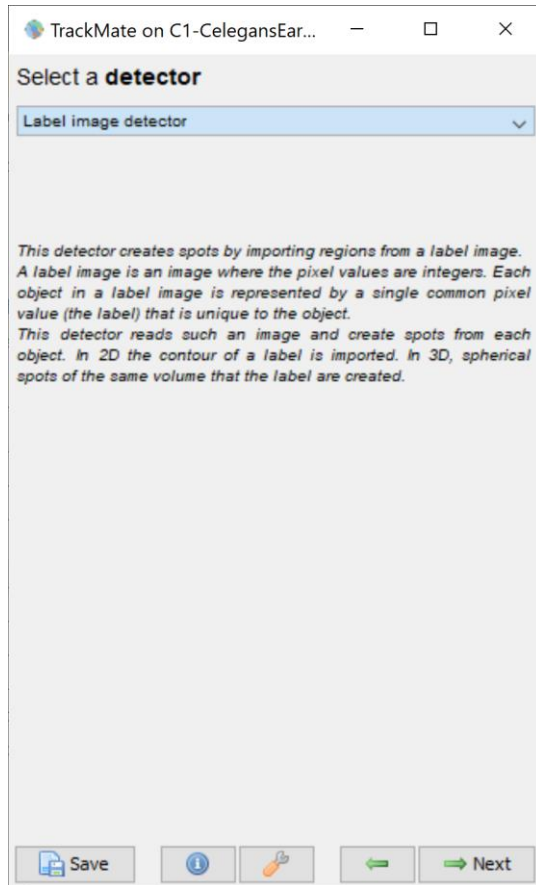


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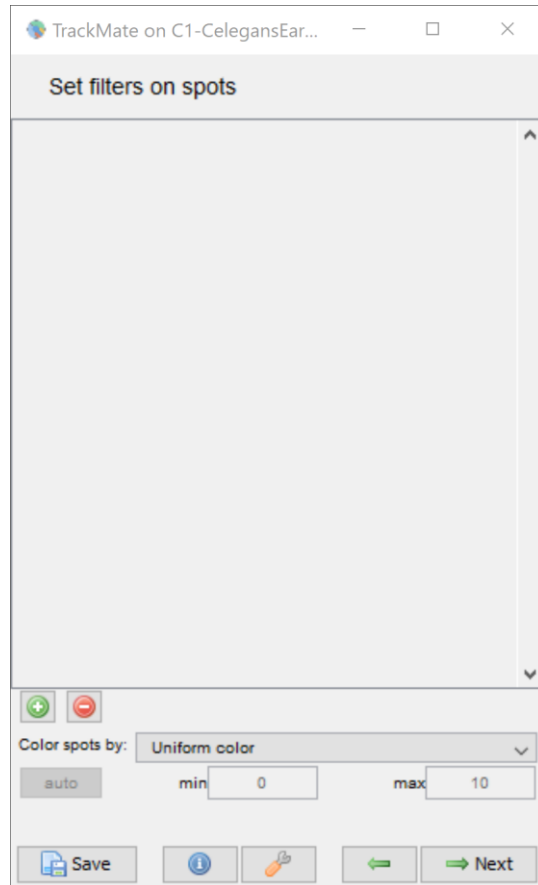
New generation detectors:

- **Stardist**
- **Cellpose**
- **Weka**
- **Ilastik**
- **MorpholibJ**
- **Custom segmentation via label images**

2 - SPOT FILTERING

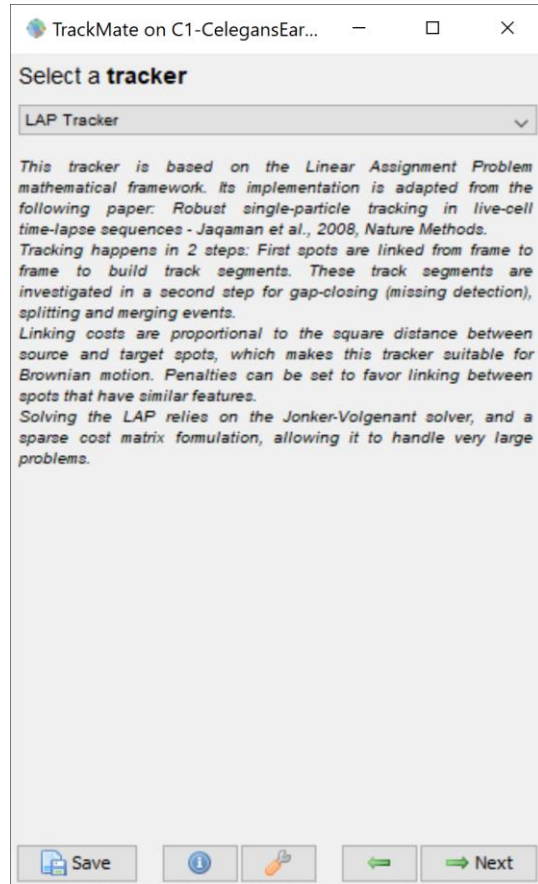
Filter out spots based on **spot features** such as size, average intensity, ...

Possibility to **visualize spot features** with heat maps.



3 - DATA ASSOCIATION

Trackers:

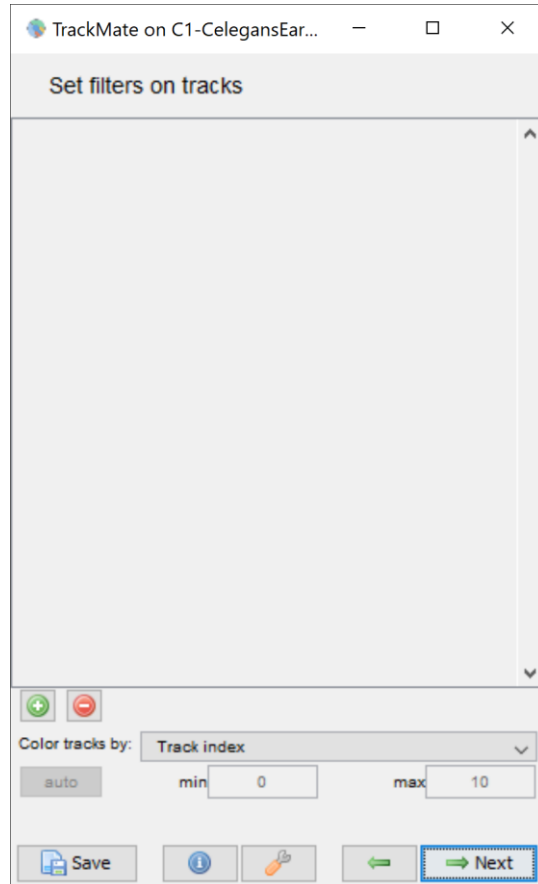


- **Manual tracking**
- **Overlap tracker:** based on intersection over union between two consecutive frames – only 2D
- **Nearest-neighbor tracker:** associate closest particles between two consecutive frames
- **Kalman tracker:** based on Kalman filtering, suited for objects with directed and constant motion, allows gap closing
- **Lap tracker:** implementation of utrack (Jaqaman *et al.*), based on the Linear Assignment Problem mathematical framework, allows to change linking cost between particles by penalizing features and to perform splitting, merging and gap closing
- **Simple LAP tracker:** same as LAP tracker, without cost penalties, splitting and merging

4 - TRACK FILTERING

Filter out tracks based on **track features** such as number of spots, duration, ...

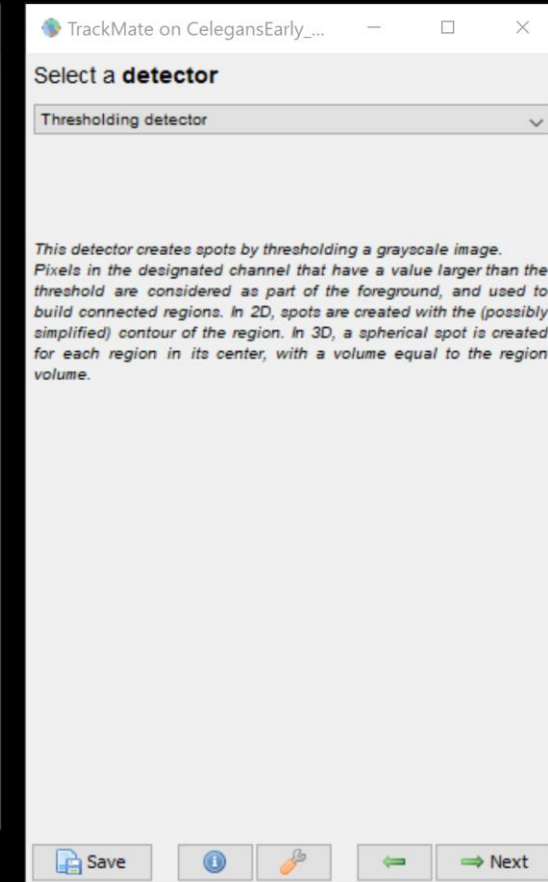
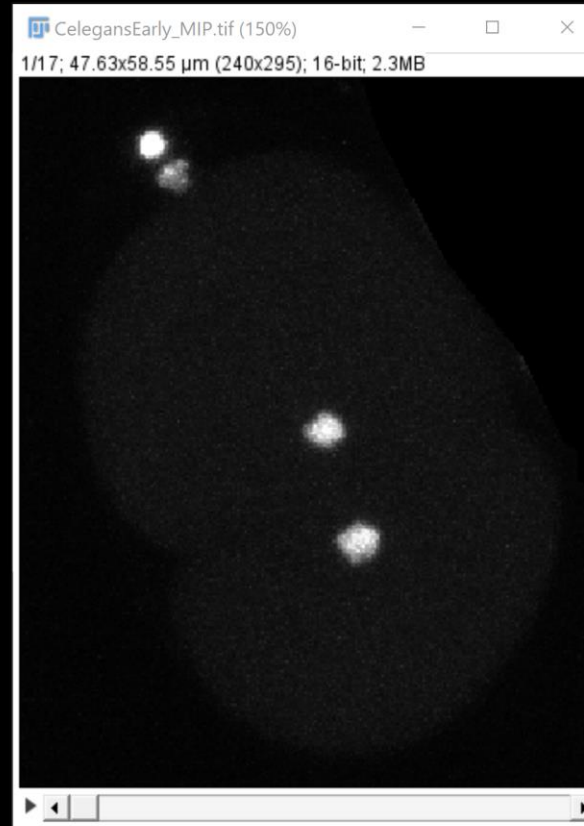
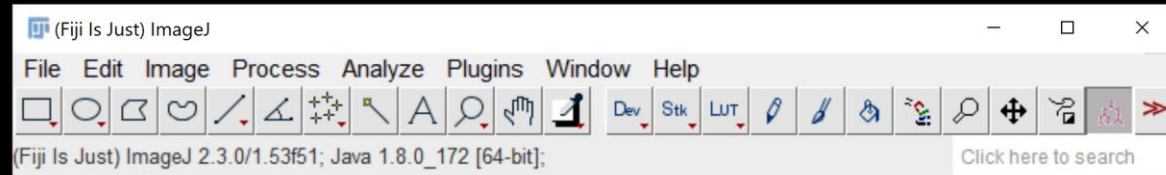
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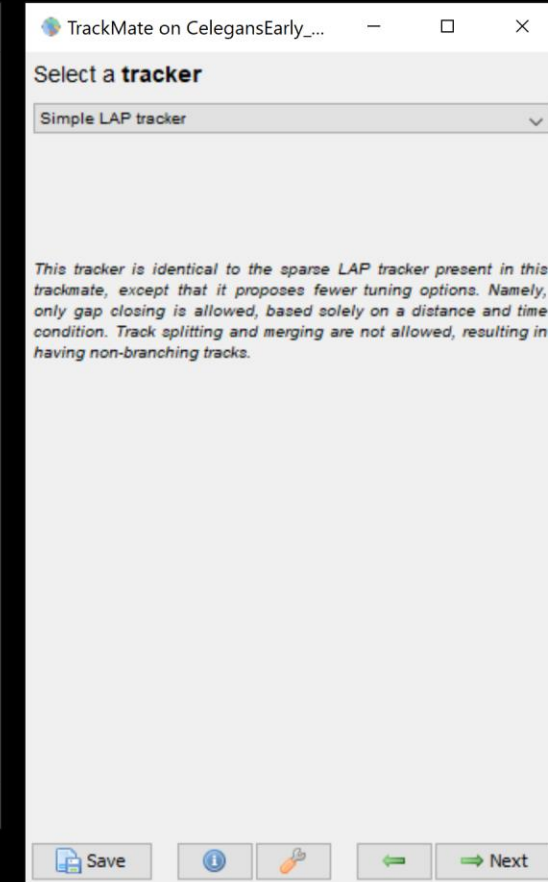
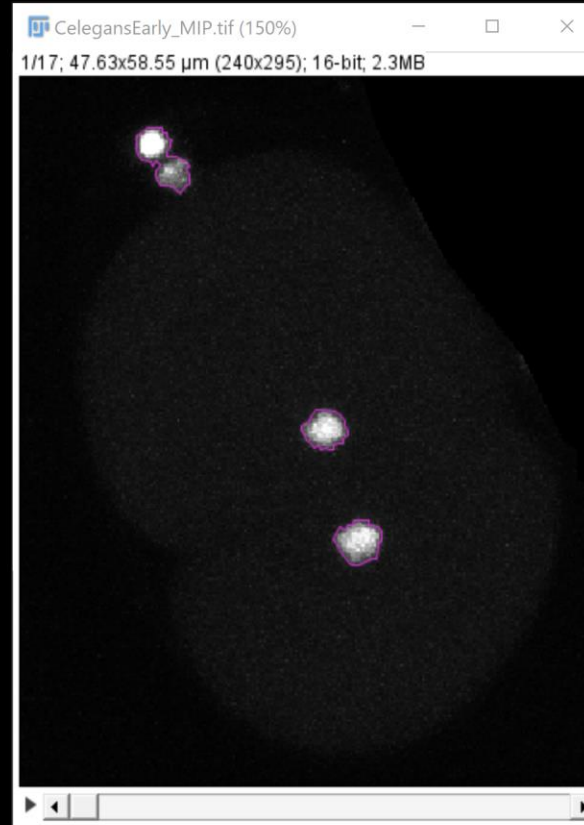
Open CelegansEarly_MIP with **TrackMate**
and segment cells with **Thresholding**
detector

Filter out as many as possible **non-cell**
objects but keep **all cells** detected



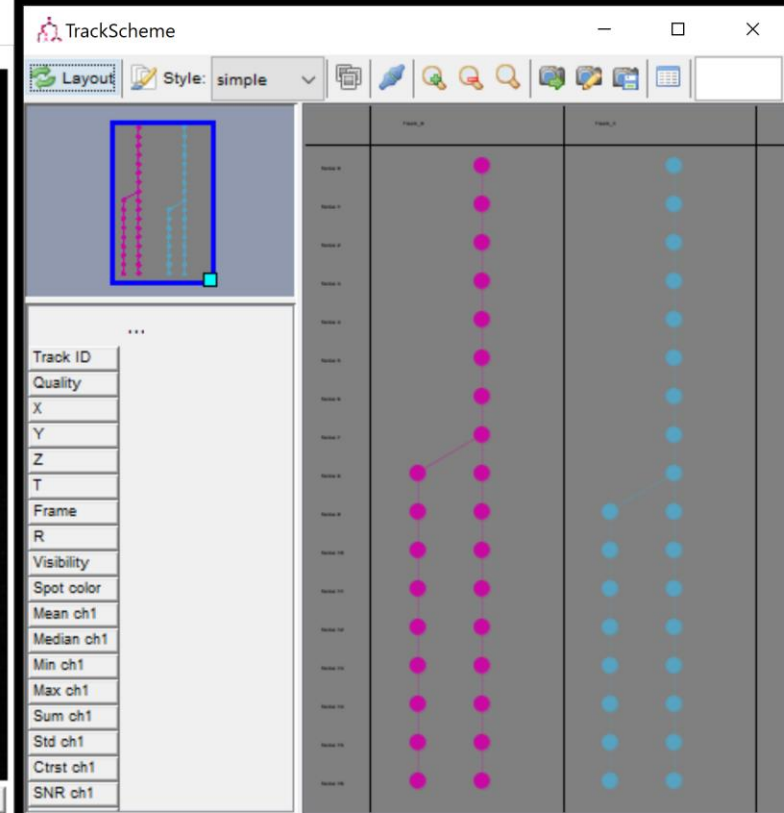
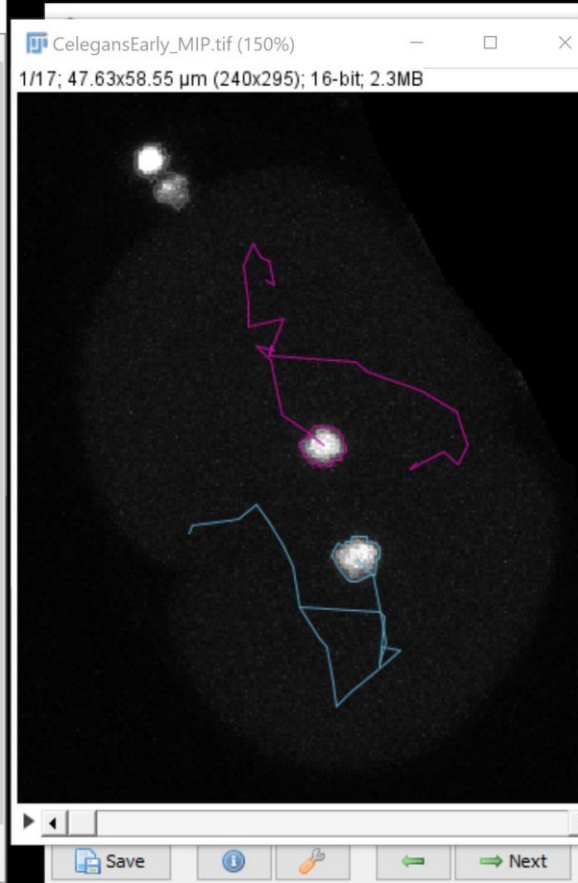
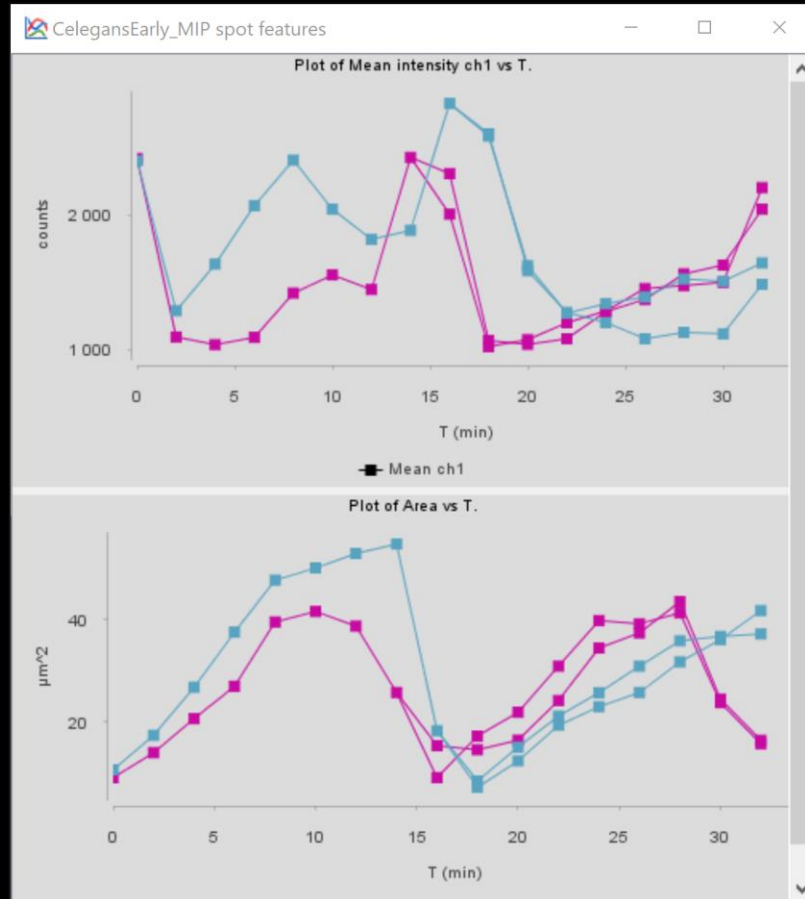
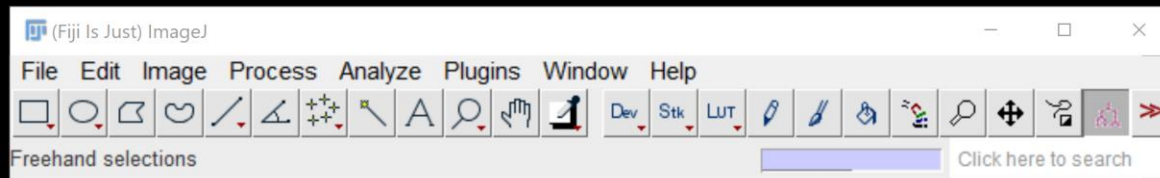
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Use **Simple LAP tracker**, filter out track(s) corresponding to non-cell objects and **manually split** the tracks when **cells divide** with TrackScheme



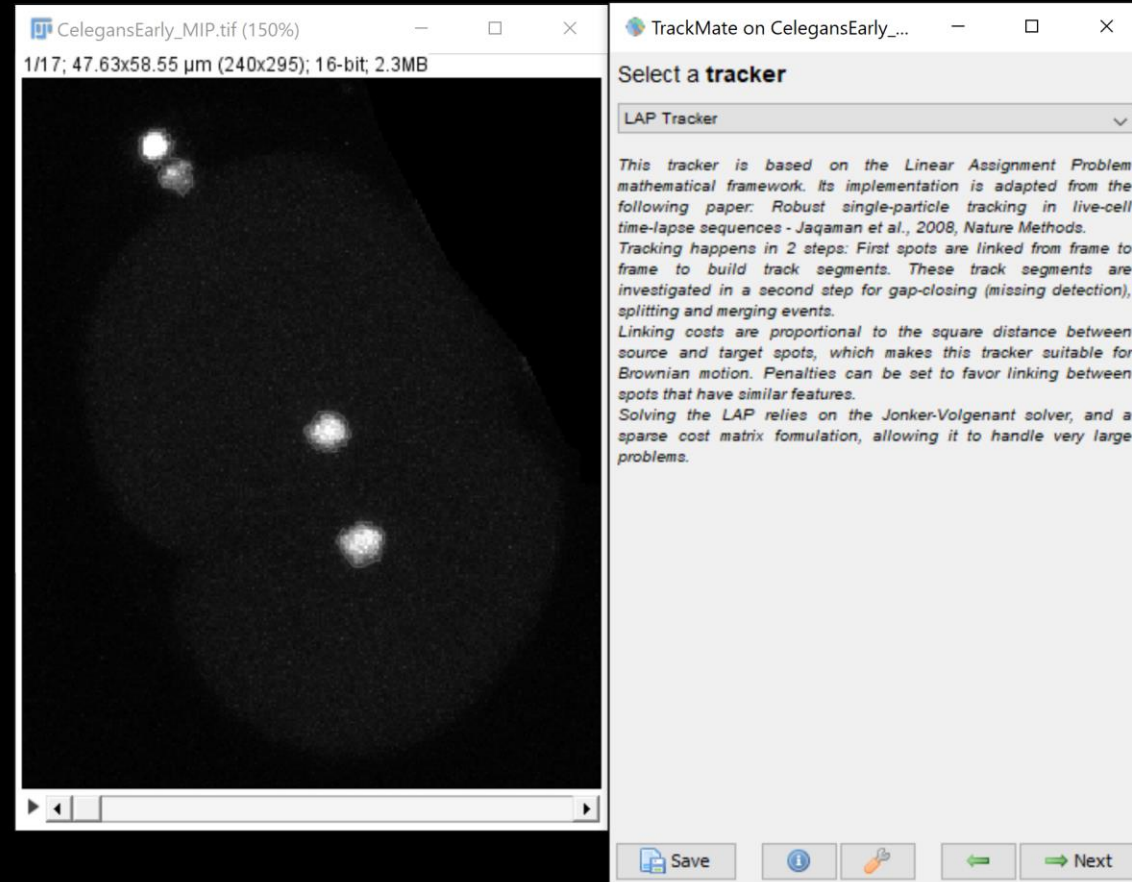
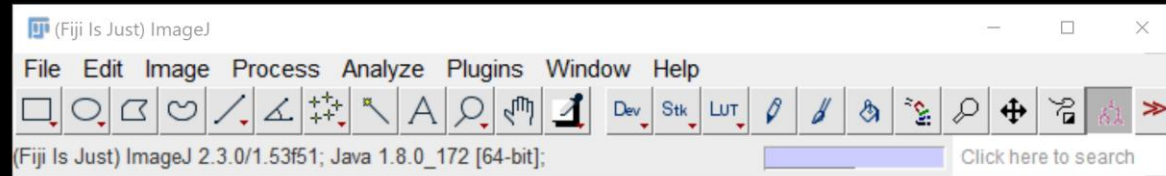
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Plot features,
save results...



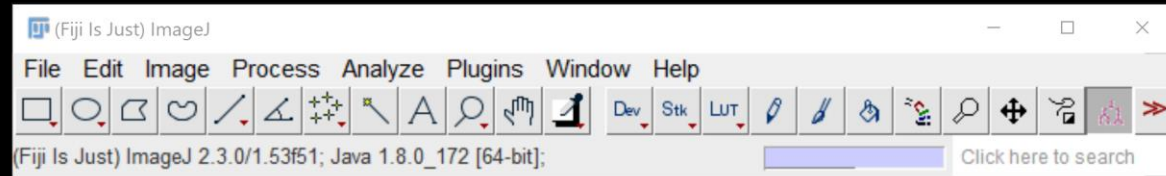
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Video tutorial: <https://youtu.be/QBSRsv6gxi8>

