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1 Introduction

For a growing number of applications, it will be crucial to acquire data in a smart way. One way to achieve this goal is to build a smart microscope, which essentially means creating smart software workflows to control the hardware based on image analysis results.

Idea or Task:

- Scan or inspect a large area.
- Detect an "interesting" object.
- Acquire detailed data for every event.
- Automate the workflow to minimize user interference.

First of all it is important to define what a **Object of Interest** can actually be. Example would be an object that meets specific criteria, for example:

- size
- brightness
- shape
- intensity
- combinations of the above

It could be something quite simple. For instance one can have lots of cells, that are stained with blue dye, and only a few of them (maybe where the transfection worked ...) are also expressing GFP. The idea here would be to detect all cells that are positive for both colors and acquire an z-Stack for every cell (blue & green) that meets those criteria. Therefore this kind of application requires three major tasks:

1. Define the Overview Scan Experiment.
2. Define the object detection rules, e.g. setup image analysis.
3. Define the Detailed Scan(s) to be carried out in case of a "positive" object.

1.1 Basic Workflow Definition

The main workflow can be summarized as follows:

1. Acquire some sample data showing a object of interest.
2. Setup an Image Analysis Pipeline to detect those events.
3. Define an experiment which does the Overview Scan.
4. Define an experiment which does the Detailed Scan.

5. Automate the entire workflow.

The goal of this tutorial is to create an automated workflow that can be used to easily setup a **Guided Acquisition**. This requires some knowledge about the OAD macro environment and its scripting language Python.

1.2 General Workflow Definition

This is the outline of the general workflow, which would be automated.

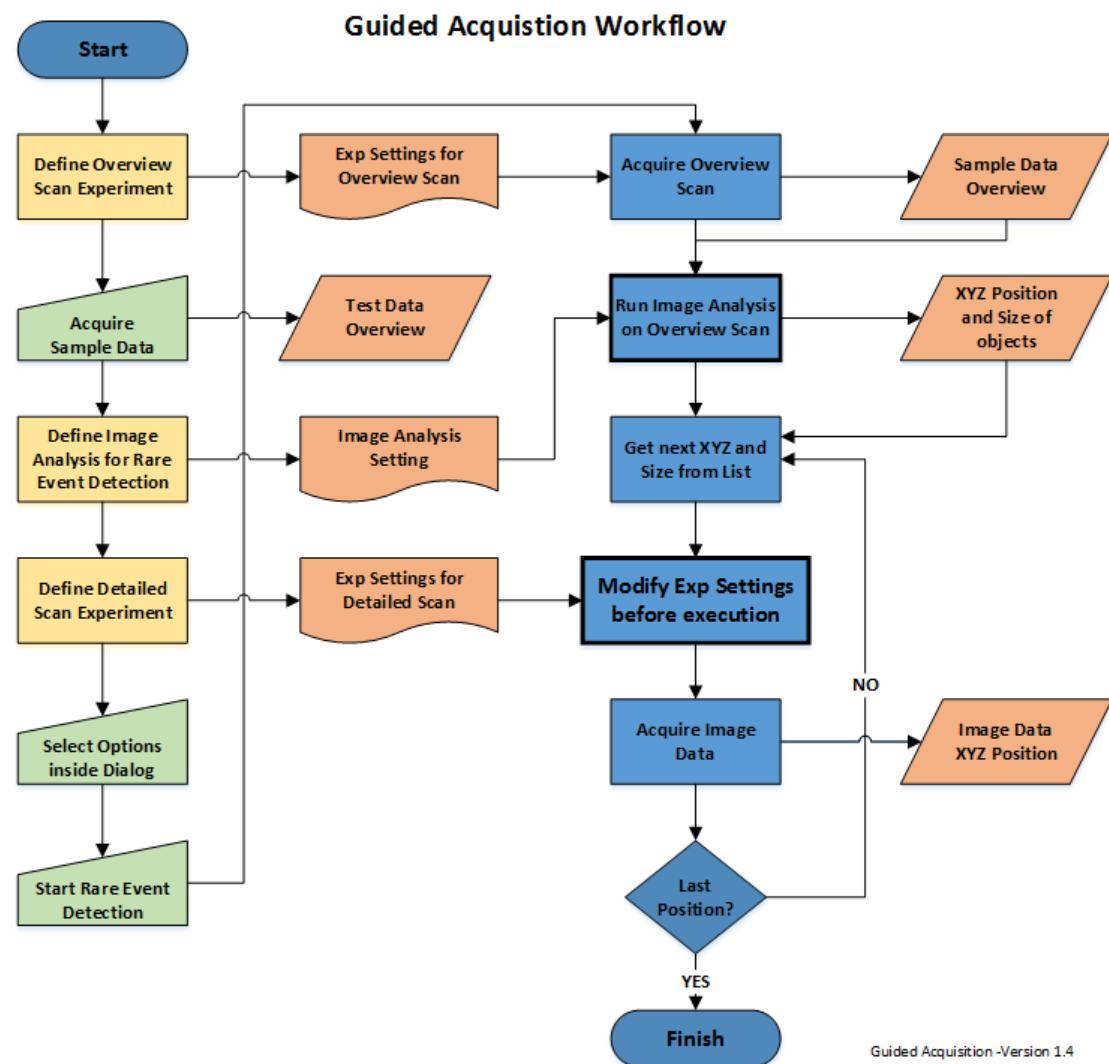


Figure 1: General workflow for Guided Acquisition.

A different way to visualize this is shown in the figure below.

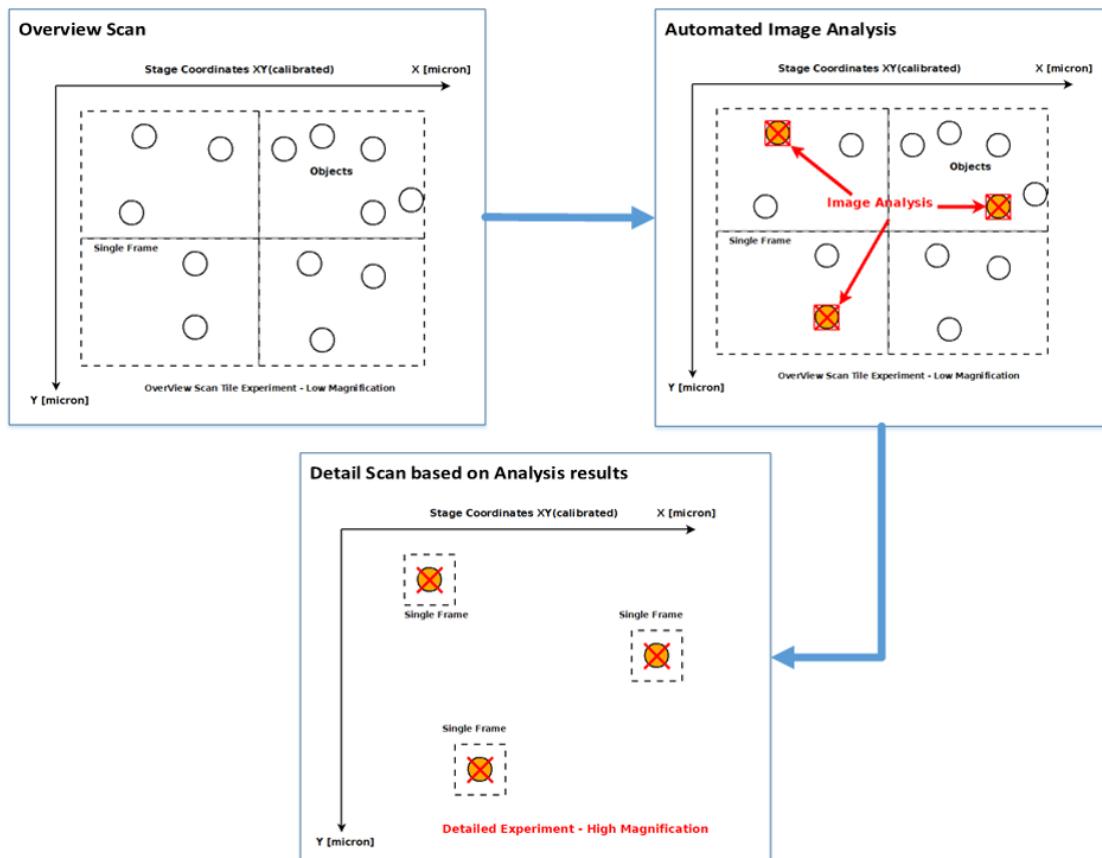


Figure 2: Larger area with some candidates for a "interesting" objects.

1.3 General Workflow - Complete Overview

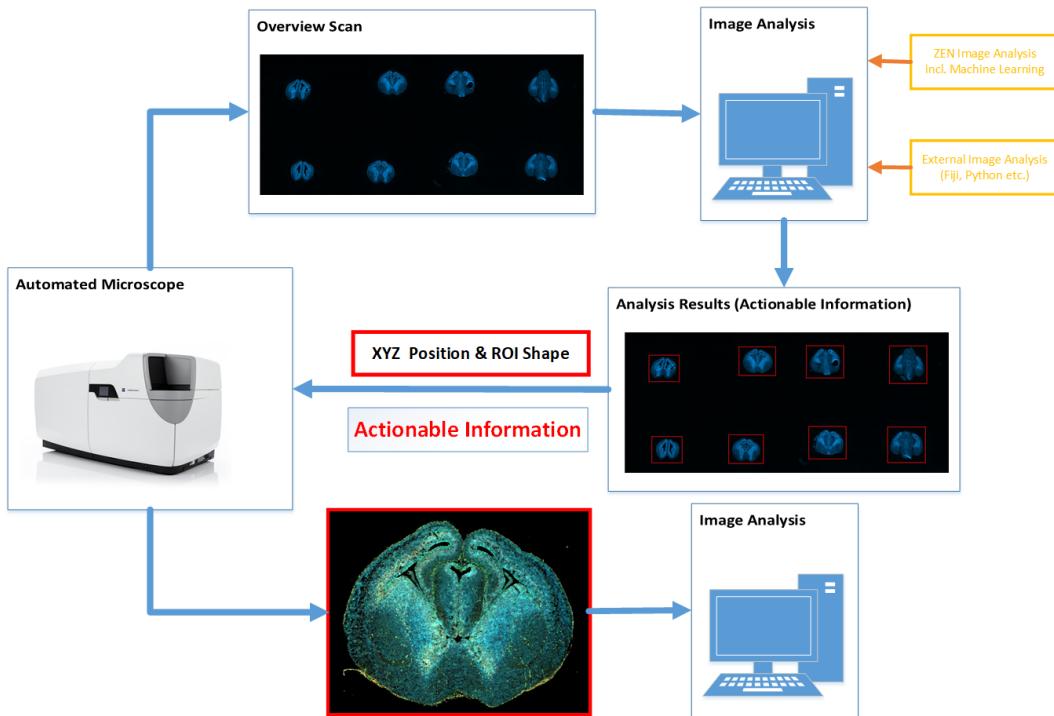


Figure 3: Workflow - Actionable Information 1.

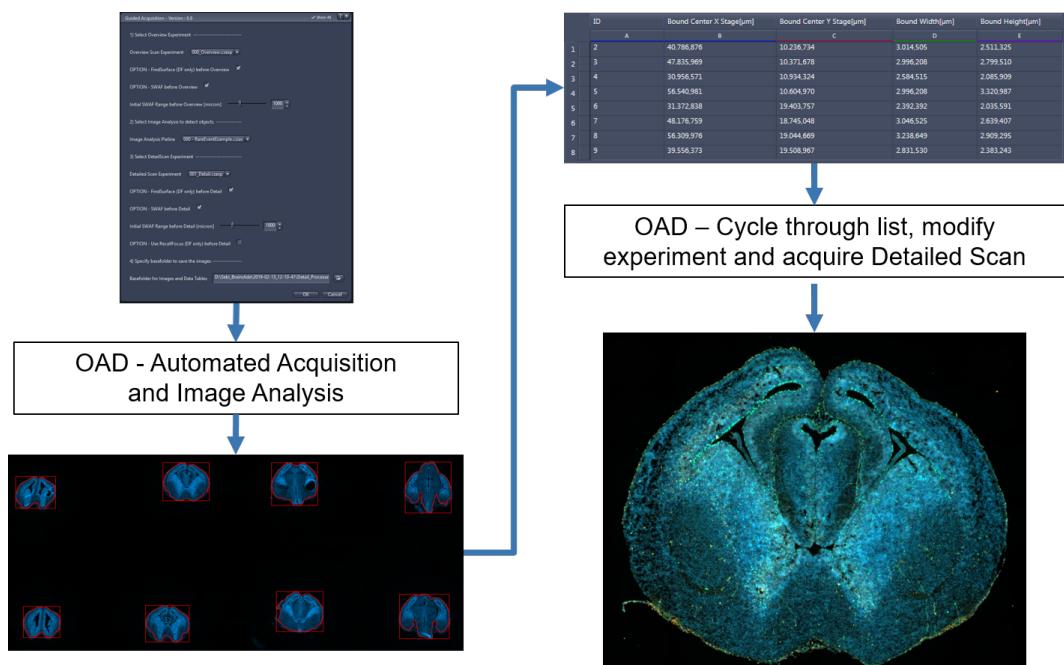


Figure 4: Workflow - Actionable Information 2



2 Workflow - Single Steps

This part of the tutorial will explain all required steps to set up the complete workflow in more detail. Some knowledge about image analysis is required here.

2.1 Acquire Sample Data with Overview Scan

The first crucial step is to have a basic idea of what the actual rare event will look like, inside an real image acquired, with the appropriate parameters (light intensity, detector settings, filters, objective, ...). An ideal sample data set should be acquired using the "real" acquisition parameters will be used to define the overview scan experiment later on.

Typically such an overview scan is acquired using a lower magnification in combination with a tile experiment. The exact parameters will be specific for the application, but the main idea is always the same:

The overview image must contain the information to locate the objects of interest based on "some" features that can be retrieved via an appropriate image analysis.



Once a representative sample data set is available, one can start setting up an image analysis pipeline. ZEN offers currently two ways do to so:

1. The easy way – Use the Analysis Wizard.
2. Program your own image analysis pipeline using an OAD macro (this is not covered by this tutorial).
3. Program your own image analysis using an external software (e.g. Fiji, Python etc.) and use it from within ZEN (this is not covered by this tutorial).

The most comfortable way is to use the wizard; this offers enough flexibility to cover most of the applications.

2.2 Create Image Analysis Pipeline

Here one already sees a "half-ready" image analysis pipeline. In order to automate, the wizard step containing the feature selection is crucial.

In order to relocate all detected objects, it is of course required to retrieve the current XY(Z) position of every detected event.

The main idea is to determine all parameters required to get access to the stage coordinates of a detected object.

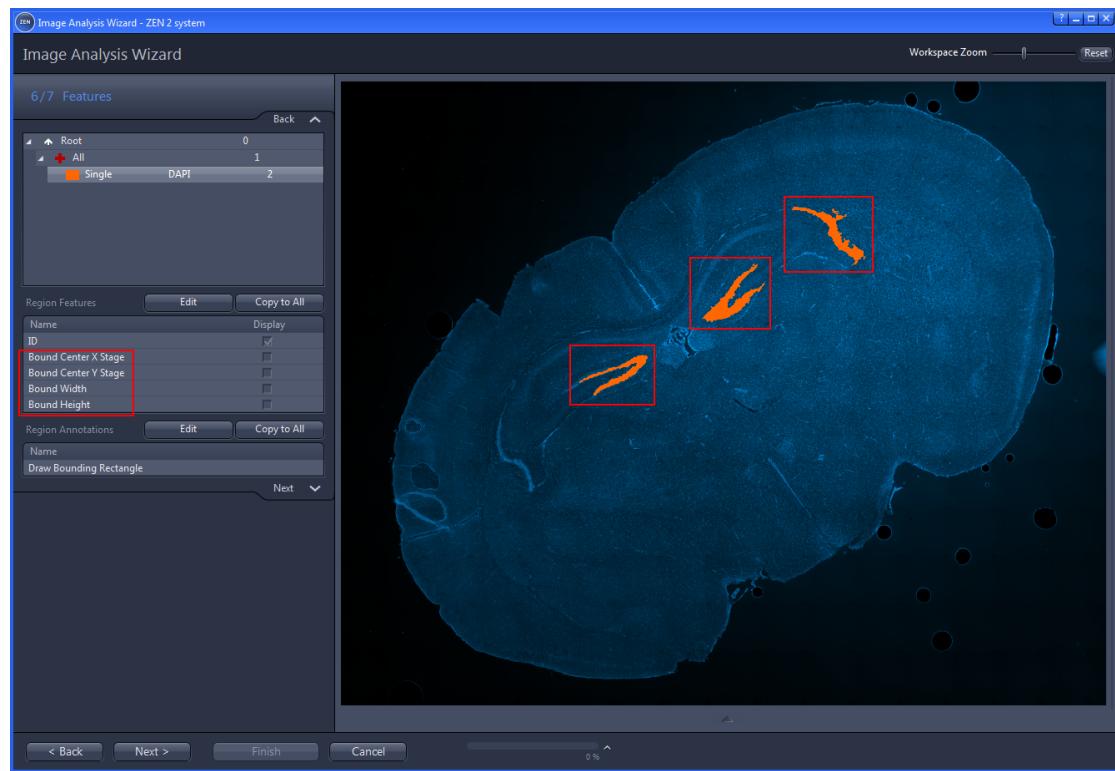


Figure 5: Select the required positional features inside the wizard.

Currently one needs to select the following parameters:

- Object ID
- Bound Center Stage X
- Bound Center Stage Y
- Bound Width
- Bound Height
- ImageSceneContainerName

The object ID is needed to keep track of the executed detail scans and to save the resulting image files with the correct ID as part of the used filename.

The parameters **Bound Center Stage X** and **Bound Stage Center Y** yield absolute stage coordinates of the detected objects. These will be used to relocate the objects for the detailed scan later on.

The parameters **Bound Width** and **Bound Height** yield in the absolute width and height of the bounding rectangle. This is required if the detected object is bigger than a single frame. In such a case the tile region of the detailed experiment will be adapted to the size of the bounding rectangle automatically.



The parameter **ImageSceneContainerName** is needed to keep track of the respective wells, because the wellID will be used as part of the filename for the detail scan. Depending on your application, it might be useful to measure additional parameters. Feel free to add whatever might be useful.

2.3 Define Overview Experiment

Usually this is done using the Tiles and Positions module to scan a large area. This tutorial assumes that one is already familiar with this ZEN module.

Important Remark: Since one wants to relocate the detected objects, it is required to calibrate the XY stage before the overview scan, and a rigid and stiff sample holder should be used.

For this tutorial one can use an already acquired image representing the real overview scan (instead of a real experiment). The shown image is a 16x13 tile image acquired with a 10X magnification. The result of such a scan followed by the image analysis is shown here:

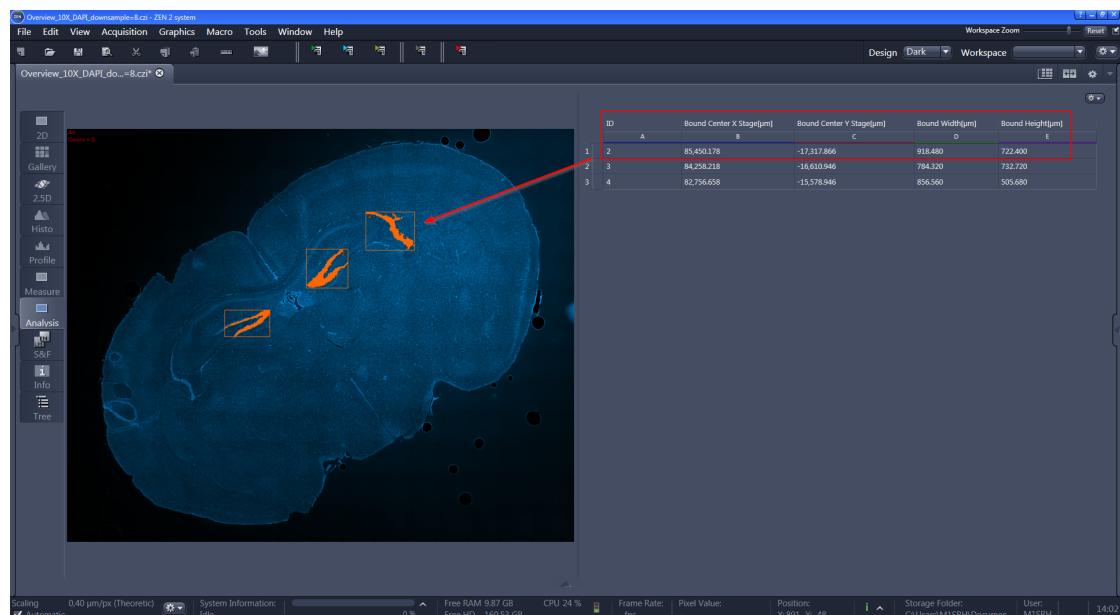


Figure 6: Result of the image analysis on the overview scan image.

2.4 Define Detailed Scan Experiment

First of all it is important to understand, that there is no such thing as a typical "Detailed Scan". What this experiment (or even a workflow) might be, depends on the application. In a general sense such a detailed scan is "some kind" of experiment carried at a specific position based upon the results of the image analysis. Examples could be:

- Simple Z-Stack with a high-NA objective lens.
- Multi-Channel Z-Stack using an optical sectioning method like SD, Apotome or AiryScan
- One of the above combined with a tile experiment.
- A series of subsequent experiments with different image modalities.

Since this concept is based on OAD, it is possible to automate almost any kind of workflow at a given position.

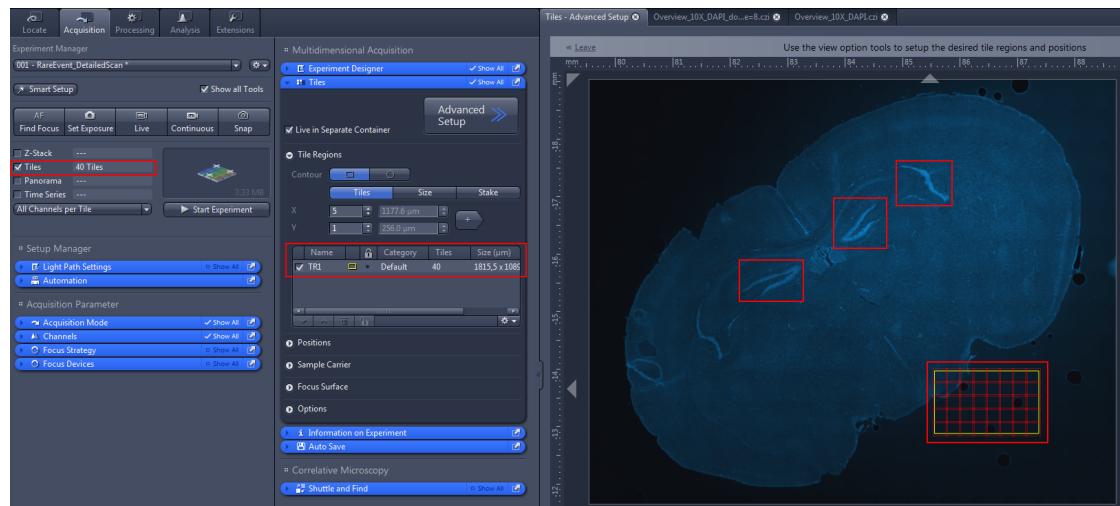


Figure 7: Setup of a simple detailed scan experiment.

Now the preparation is complete. So far we have available:

- The image analysis pipeline based on some sample data
- The Overview Scan Experiment = tile experiment created by the Tiles & Positions Module
- The Detailed Scan Experiment, which is also a tile experiment.

And now the real interesting part begins – how to setup a complete workflow out of those building blocks using an OAD Python script inside ZEN Blue.



3 Automation via OAD

3.1 Prerequisites

In order to be able to run the script one needs to copy it into the correct folder, which is located at:

"c:/Users/XXXX/Documents/Carl Zeiss/ZEN/Documents/Macros"

where XXXX stand for the actual user name.

3.2 Pure Scripting or User Dialog

First of all one has to decide if a pure script is sufficient or if there should be some kind of simple user interface (very basic wizard).

- A pure script is of course the faster solution, but is may be difficult to use for less advanced users.
- A basic wizard offers less flexibility, but may be easier to use for most users.

The choice clearly depends on the user, since there is no right or wrong approach here. For this tutorial we will focus on the 2nd approach. Once one has figured out how to realize this, the 1st approach will be straight forward since the basic workflow is identical.

3.3 User Dialog Requirements

The basic user interface of the dialog should have the following functionality:

- **Select the overview scan experiment.**
- **Select the image analysis pipeline** (to analyze the overview image)
- **Select the detailed scan experiment** (to acquire at "found" positions)
- **Define options for focussing** (depends on available hardware)
- **Select a folder to store the image data and analysis results.**



3.4 Prerequisites

Now we are ready to create the OAD macro required to control the complete workflow. The first step is (as always) to import the required modules and define the folder locations, etc. Additionally there are several python functions defined here for later usage.

```
#####
# File      : Guided_Acquisition_shortUI.py
# Version   : 6.9
# Author    : czsrh, czmla
# Date      : 27.02.2019
# Institution : Carl Zeiss Microscopy GmbH
#
# !!! Requires with ZEN >=2.6 HF3 - Use at your own Risk !!!
#
# Optimized for the use with Celldiscoverer 7 and DF2, but
# applicable for all motorized stands running in ZEN Blue.
# Please adapt focussing commands, especially FindSurface
# when using with other stands.
#
# 1) - Select Overview Scan Experiment
# 2) - Select appropriate Image Analysis Pipeline
# 3) - Select Detailed Scan Experiment
# 4) - Specify the output folder for the image and data tables
#
# Copyright(c) 2019 Carl Zeiss AG, Germany. All Rights Reserved.
#
# Permission is granted to use, modify and distribute this code,
# as long as this copyright notice remains part of the code.
#####
import time
from datetime import datetime
import errno
from System import Array
from System import ApplicationException
from System import TimeoutException
from System.IO import File, Directory, Path
import sys

# version number for dialog window
version = 6.9
# file name for overview scan
ovscan_name = 'OverviewScan.czi'
"""

Additional XY offset for possible 2nd port relative to the 1st port
Example: 1st port Camera and 2nd port LSM
Can be set to Zero, when system is correctly calibrated
!!! Only use when OverView and DetailedScan are using different detector !!!
"""
dx_detector = 0.0
dy_detector = 0.0

# experiment blockindex
blockindex = 0
# delay for specific hardware movements in [seconds]
hwdelay = 1

def dircheck(basefolder):
    # check if the destination basefolder exists
    base_exists = Directory.Exists(basefolder)

    if base_exists:
        print('Selected Directory Exists: ', base_exists)
        # specify the desired output format for the folder, e.g. 2017-08-08_17-47-41
        format = '%Y-%m-%d_%H-%M-%S'
        # create the new directory
        newdir = createfolder(basefolder, formatstring=format)
        print('Created new directory: ', newdir)
    if not base_exists:
        Directory.CreateDirectory(basefolder)
        newdir = basefolder

    return newdir
```



```
75
76 def createfolder(basedir, formatstring='%Y-%m-%d_%H-%M-%S'):
77     # construct new directory name based on date and time
78     newdir = Path.Combine(basedir, datetime.now().strftime(formatstring))
79     # check if the new directory (for whatever reasons) already exists
80     try:
81         newdir_exists = Directory.Exists(newdir)
82         if not newdir_exists:
83             # create new directory if it does not exist
84             Directory.CreateDirectory(newdir)
85         if newdir_exists:
86             # raise error if it really already exists
87             raise SystemExit
88     except OSError as e:
89         if e.errno != errno.EEXIST:
90             newdir = None
91             raise # This was not a "directory exist" error..
92
93     return newdir
94
95
96 def getshortfiles(filelist):
97     files_short = []
98     for short in filelist:
99         files_short.append(Path.GetFileName(short))
100
101    return files_short
102
103
104 def cloneexp(expname, prefix='GA_', save=True, reloadexp=True):
105
106     exp = Zen.Acquisition.Experiments.GetByName(expname)
107     exp_newname = prefix + expname
108
109     # save experiment
110     if save:
111         exp.SaveAs(exp_newname, False)
112         print('Saved Temporary Experiment as : ', exp_newname)
113         # close the original experiment object
114         exp.Close()
115         time.sleep(1)
116
117     # reload experiment
118     if reloadexp:
119         exp_reload = Zen.Acquisition.Experiments.GetByName(exp_newname)
120     elif not reloadexp:
121         exp_reload = None
122
123     return exp_reload
124
125
126 def runSWAF_special(SWAF_exp,
127                      delay=5,
128                      searchStrategy='Full',
129                      sampling=ZenSoftwareAutofocusSampling.Coarse,
130                      relativeRangeIsAutomatic=False,
131                      relativeRangeSize=500,
132                      timeout=0):
133
134     # get current z-Position
135     zSWAF = Zen.Devices.Focus.ActualPosition
136     print('Z-Position before special SWAF : ', zSWAF)
137
138     # set DetailScan active and wait for moving hardware due to settings
139     SWAF_exp.SetActive()
140     time.sleep(delay)
141
142     # set SWAF parameters
143     SWAF_exp.SetAutofocusParameters(searchStrategy=searchStrategy,
144                                     sampling=sampling,
145                                     relativeRangeIsAutomatic=relativeRangeIsAutomatic,
146                                     relativeRangeSize=relativeRangeSize)
147
148     try:
149         print('Running special SWAF ...')
150         zSWAF = Zen.Acquisition.FindAutofocus(SWAF_exp, timeoutSeconds=timeout)
151     except ApplicationException as e:
152         print('Application Exception : ', e.Message)
153     except TimeoutException as e:
154         print(e.Message)
155
156     print('Z-Position after initial SWAF : ', zSWAF)
157
158
159 def checktableentry(datatable, entry2check='ImageSceneContainerName'):
160
161     num_col = datatable.ColumnCount
162     entry_exits = False
```



```
164     for c in range(0, num_col):
165         # get the current column name
166         colname = datatable.Columns[c].ColumnName
167         if colname == entry2check:
168             column = c
169             entry_exists = True
170             break
171
172     return entry_exists, column
173
```



3.5 Create the User Dialog

The next task is to create the user dialog using the requirements referred to earlier on. Once the dialog is closed, the results have to be collected.

Additionally one must check if the Detailed Scan experiment is a tile experiment, where the tile size has to be adapted accordingly. This is done using a little tool function.

```
193 # Initialize Dialog
194 GuidedAcqDialog = ZenWindow()
195 GuidedAcqDialog.Initialize('Guided Acquisition - Version : ' + str(version))
196 # add components to dialog
197 GuidedAcqDialog.AddLabel('1) Select Overview Experiment -----')
198 GuidedAcqDialog.AddDropDown('overview_exp', 'Overview Scan Experiment', expfiles_short, 0)
199 GuidedAcqDialog.AddCheckbox('fs_before_overview', 'OPTION - FindSurface (DF only) before Overview', False)
200 GuidedAcqDialog.AddCheckbox('SWAF_before_overview', 'OPTION - SWAF before Overview', False)
201 GuidedAcqDialog.AddIntegerRange('SWAF_ov_initial_range', 'Initial SWAF Range before Overview [micron]', 200, 50, 3000)
202 GuidedAcqDialog.AddLabel('2) Select Image Analysis to detect objects -----')
203 GuidedAcqDialog.AddDropDown('ip_pipe', 'Image Analysis Pipeline', ipfiles_short, 0)
204 GuidedAcqDialog.AddLabel('3) Select DetailScan Experiment -----')
205 GuidedAcqDialog.AddDropDown('detailed_exp', 'Detailed Scan Experiment', expfiles_short, 1)
206 GuidedAcqDialog.AddCheckbox('fs_before_detail', 'OPTION - FindSurface (DF only) before Detail', False)
207 GuidedAcqDialog.AddCheckbox('SWAF_before_detail', 'OPTION - SWAF before Detail', False)
208 GuidedAcqDialog.AddIntegerRange('SWAF_detail_initial_range', 'Initial SWAF Range before Detail [micron]', 100, 10, 1000)
209 GuidedAcqDialog.AddCheckbox('recallfocus_beforeDT', 'OPTION - Use RecallFocus (DF only) before Detail', False)
210 GuidedAcqDialog.AddLabel('4) Specify basefolder to save the images -----')
211 GuidedAcqDialog.AddFolderBrowser('outfolder', 'Basefolder for Images and Data Tables', imgfolder)
212
213 # show the window
214 result = GuidedAcqDialog.Show()
215 if result.HasCanceled:
216     message = 'Macro was canceled by user.'
217     print(message)
218     raise SystemExit
219
220 # get the values and store them
221 OverViewExpName = str(result.GetValue('overview_exp'))
222 ImageAS = str(result.GetValue('ip_pipe'))
223 DetailExpName = str(result.GetValue('detailed_exp'))
224 OutputFolder = str(result.GetValue('outfolder'))
225 fs_beforeOV = result.GetValue('fs_before_overview')
226 SWAF_beforeOV = result.GetValue('SWAF_before_overview')
227 SWAF_beforeOV_range = result.GetValue('SWAF_ov_initial_range')
228 fs_beforeDT = result.GetValue('fs_before_detail')
229 SWAF_beforeDT = result.GetValue('SWAF_before_detail')
230 SWAF_beforeDT_range = result.GetValue('SWAF_detail_initial_range')
231 RecallFocus = result.GetValue('recallfocus_beforeDT')
232
```

The resulting dialog window is shown below.



Figure 8: Simple User Dialog to run the Guided Acquistion WorkFlow

The dialog has four main steps where the user must define the desired options:

1. Select **overview experiment** and additional focus options.
2. Select **image analysis** to detect the objects.
3. Select **detailed experiment** and additional focus options.
4. Choose an **output folder** to save the data.



3.6 Overview Scan Experiment

At this point we have all the information we need to actually start the workflow. The first step is to execute the actual overview scan experiment, which is most likely a tile experiment. The resulting image will be saved to the specified folder.

```
##### START OVERVIEW SCAN EXPERIMENT #####
254
255 if fs_beforeOV:
256     # initial focussing via FindSurface to assure a good starting position
257     Zen.Aquisition.FindSurface()
258     print('Z-Position after FindSurface: ', Zen.Devices.Focus.ActualPosition)
259
260 if SWAF_beforeOV:
261     zSWAF = runSWAF_special(OVScan_reloaded,
262                             delay=hwdelay,
263                             searchStrategy='Full',
264                             sampling=ZenSoftwareAutofocusSampling.Coarse,
265                             relativeRangeIsAutomatic=False,
266                             relativeRangeSize=SWAF_beforeOV_range,
267                             timeout=1)
268
269 # get the resulting z-position
270 znew = Zen.Devices.Focus.ActualPosition
271
272 # adapt the Overview Scan Tile Experiment with new Z-Position
273 if OVScanIsTileExp:
274     OVScan_reloaded.ModifyTileRegionsZ(blockindex, znew)
275     print('Adapted Z-Position of Tile OverView. New Z = ', '%.2f' % znew)
276
277 # execute the experiment
278 print('\nRunning OverviewScan Experiment.\n')
279 output_OVScan = Zen.Aquisition.Execute(OVScan_reloaded)
280 # For testing purposes - Load overview scan image automatically instead of executing the "real" experiment
281 # output_OVScan = Zen.Application.LoadImage(r'c:\Temp\input\OverViewScan_8Brains.czii', False)
282
283 # show the overview scan inside the document area
284 Zen.Application.Documents.Add(output_OVScan)
285 ovdoc = Zen.Application.Documents.GetByName(output_OVScan.Name)
286
287 # save the overview scan image inside the select folder
288 output_OVScan.Save(Path.Combine(OutputFolder, ovscan_name))
289
##### END OVERVIEW SCAN EXPERIMENT #####
290
```

A very important part of such an automated workflow is to find the focus. To ensure this, the desired objective and optovar are changed before the overview starts, followed by a series of **optional** focus actions:

1. Find the surface of the sample carrier.
2. Focus onto the specimen sample via SWAF.
3. Store the resulting new Z-position.

When testing out applications like this it is very useful to use test data sets to save time instead of re-running an acquisition many times. Therefore it can be helpful to **comment** the lines where the real experiment is executed and **uncomment** the line inside the script, where one can load an already acquired overview image.



3.7 Find the interesting Objects

Now it is time to run the image analysis on the overview image. As a result, two tables will be created inside ZEN. The first contains information about all objects and the second contains information about the single objects (for instance their stage positions). This second table is what will be used as an input for the detailed scan later on.

```
292 # Load analysis setting created by the wizard or an separate macro
293 ias = ZenImageAnalysisSetting()
294
295 # for simulation use: 000 - RareEventExample.czias
296 ias.Load(ImageAS)
297
298 # Analyse the image
299 Zen.Analyzing.Analyze(output_OVScan, ias)
300
301 # Create Zen table with results for all detected objects (parent class)
302 AllObj = Zen.Analyzing.CreateRegionsTable(output_OVScan)
303
304 # Create Zen table with results for each single object
305 SingleObj = Zen.Analyzing.CreateRegionTable(output_OVScan)
306
307 # check for existence of required column names inside table
308 soi = SingleObj.GetColumnInfoFromImageAnalysis(True)
309
310 # 1st item is a bool indicating if all required columns could be found
311 columnsOK = soi.AreRequiredColumnsAvailable
312
313 if not columnsOK:
314     print('Execution stopped. Required Columns are missing.')
315     raise Exception('Execution stopped. Required Columns are missing.')
316
317 # show and save data tables to the specified folder
318 Zen.Application.Documents.Add(AllObj)
319 Zen.Application.Documents.Add(SingleObj)
320 AllObj.Save(Path.Combine(OutputFolder, 'OverviewTable.csv'))
321 SingleObj.Save(Path.Combine(OutputFolder, 'SingleObjectsTable.csv'))
322
323 # check the number of detected objects = rows inside image analysis table
324 num_POI = SingleObj.RowCount
325
```

As shown in figure 5, it is required to have the correct image analysis features selected. Only the will the respective columns inside the table exist. This has to be checked because otherwise the workflow will be impossible.

The "checking" itself is again done by a tool function. The output will be a boolean and a dictionary in order to look up the column index for the respective image analysis parameters. This has the advantage of being independent from a specific column order. One just has to make sure that all required columns are there.

If the option inside the initial dialog window was checked, the offset between the sample carrier surface and the actual specimen will be measured and stored inside the Definite Focus via **Store Focus**, so that **Recall Focus** can be used later on when needed. The dialog also offers the possibility to enter an arbitrary offset manually, which will only be applied if the offset was not determined automatically.

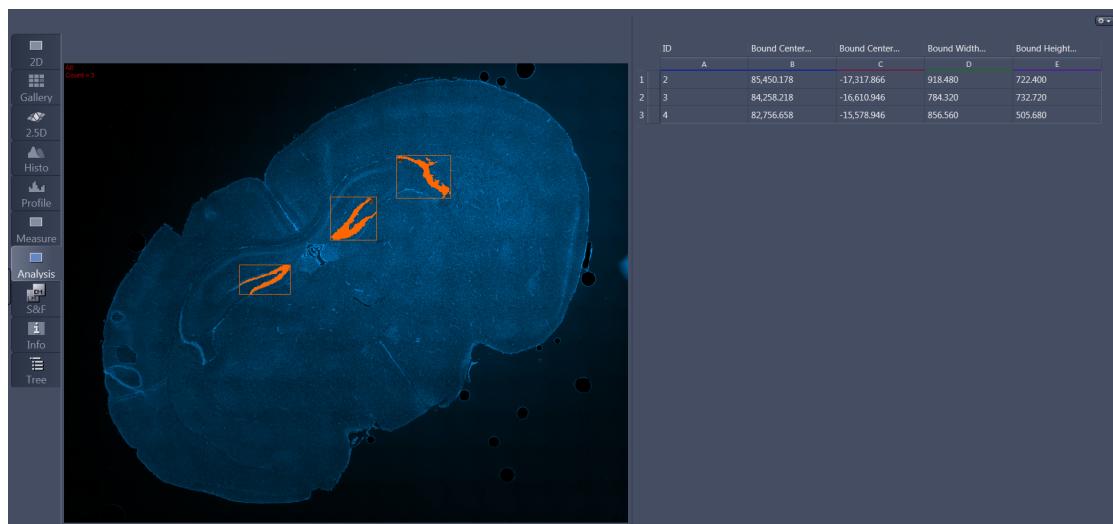


Figure 9: The results of the overview scan and the image analysis.

Finally the number of detected objects is checked by looking up the number of rows inside the table containing the information about the single objects.



3.8 Modify the Tile Dimensions

Once one has the list of objects with the stage coordinates, the next task is to create a loop to cycle through all detected positions.

- Move to the correct XYZ stage positions.
- Run Focus Actions when required.
- Initialize the DetailScan experiment at the new position.
- Adapt TilePosition using *Tiles.TileTools.ModifyTileRegionsXYZ*.
- Modify TileSize using *Tiles.TileTools.ModifyTileRegionsSize*.

```
382 ##### START DETAILED SCAN EXPERIMENT #####
383
384 # get the actual Focus position
385 zpos = Zen.Devices.Focus.ActualPosition
386
387 # check for the column 'ID' which is required
388 ID_exits, column_ID = checktableentry(SingleObj,
389                                         entry2check='ID')
390
391
392 # execute detailed experiment at the position of every detected object
393 for i in range(0, num_POI, 1):
394
395     # get the object information from the position table
396     # get the ID of the object - IDs start with 2 !!!
397     #POI_ID = SingleObj.GetValue(i, 0)
398     POI_ID = SingleObj.GetValue(i, column_ID)
399
400     # get XY-stage position from table
401     xpos = SingleObj.GetValue(i, soi.CenterXColumnIndex)
402     ypos = SingleObj.GetValue(i, soi.CenterYColumnIndex)
403
404     # move to the current position
405     Zen.Devices.Stage.MoveTo(xpos + dx_detector, ypos + dy_detector)
406     print('Moving Stage to Object ID:', POI_ID, ' at : ', '%.2f' % xpos, '%.2f' % ypos)
407
408     # try to apply RecallFocus (DF only) when this option is used
409     if userecallfocus:
410         try:
411             # apply RecallFocus for the current position
412             Zen.Acquisition.RecallFocus()
413             zpos = Zen.Devices.Focus.ActualPosition
414             print('Recall Focus (Definite Focus) applied.')
415             print('Updated Z-Position: ', zpos)
416         except ApplicationException as e:
417             print('Application Exception : ', e.Message)
418             print('RecallFocus (Definite Focus) failed.')
419
420         print('New Z-Position before Detail Experiment will start:', zpos)
421
422     # if DetailScan is a Tile Experiment
423     if DetailIsTileExp:
424
425         print('Detailed Experiment contains TileRegions.')
426         # Modify tile center position - get bounding rectangle width and height in microns
427         bcwidth = SingleObj.GetValue(i, soi.WidthColumnIndex)
428         bcheight = SingleObj.GetValue(i, soi.HeightColumnIndex)
429         print('Width and Height : ', '%.2f' % bcwidth, '%.2f' % bcheight)
430         print('Modifying Tile Properties XYZ Position and width and height.')
431
432         # Modify the XYZ position and size of the TileRegion on-the-fly
433         print('Starting Z-Position for current Object: ', '%.2f' % zpos)
434         print('New Tile Properties: ', '%.2f' % xpos, '%.2f' % ypos, '%.2f' % zpos, '%.2f' % bcwidth, '%.2f' % bcheight)
435         DetailScan_reloaded.ClearTileRegionsAndPositions(blockindex)
436         try:
437             DetailScan_reloaded.AddRectangleTileRegion(blockindex, xpos, ypos, bcwidth, bcheight, zpos)
438         except ApplicationException as e:
439             print('Application Exception : ', e.Message)
440
441     if not DetailIsTileExp:
442         print('Detailed Experiment does not contain TileRegions. Nothing to modify.')
443
```



3.9 Run the Detailed Scan

The last steps, which need to be executed now, are:

- Run the (modified) detailed scan experiment here.
- Save the data to the specified folder.
- Close the image document in ZEN.
- Rename the file using the current object ID.

```
444 # execute the DetailScan experiment
445 print('Running Detail Scan Experiment at new XYZ position.')
446 try:
447     output_detailscan = Zen.Acquisition.Execute(DetailScan_reloaded)
448 except ApplicationException as e:
449     print("Application Exception : ", e.Message)
450
451 # get the image data name
452 dtscan_name = output_detailscan.Name
453
454 """
455 Modification for multiscene images: container name needs to be part
456 of the filename of the detailed Scan.
457 First check if Column "Image Scene Container Name" is available
458 and then add Container Name to filename.
459 """
460
461 wellid_exist, column_wellid = checktableentry(SingleObj,
462                                             entry2check='ImageSceneContainerName')
463
464 # in case Image Scene Container Name is not defined
465 if not wellid_exist:
466     message = 'Missing column ImageSceneContainerName in Image Analysis Results.\nPlease Select Features inside the Image
467     ↪ Analysis.'
468     print(message)
469     container_name = 'empty'
470
471 # save the image data to the selected folder and close the image
472 output_detailscan.Save(Path.Combine(OutputFolder, output_detailscan.Name))
473 output_detailscan.Close()
474
475 # rename the CZI regarding to the object ID - Attention - IDs start with 2 !!!
476 if not wellid_exist:
477     # no wellID found inside table
478     newname_dtscan = 'DTScan_ID' + str(POI_ID) + '.czi'
479 if wellid_exist:
480     # wellID was found inside table
481     well_id = SingleObj.GetValue(i, column_wellid)
482     newname_dtscan = 'DTScan_Well_' + str(well_id) + '_ID_' + str(POI_ID) + '.czi'
483 print('Renaming File: ' + dtscan_name + ' to: ' + newname_dtscan + '\n')
484 File.Move(Path.Combine(OutputFolder, dtscan_name), Path.Combine(OutputFolder, newname_dtscan))
485 ###### END DETAILED SCAN EXPERIMENT #####
486
```

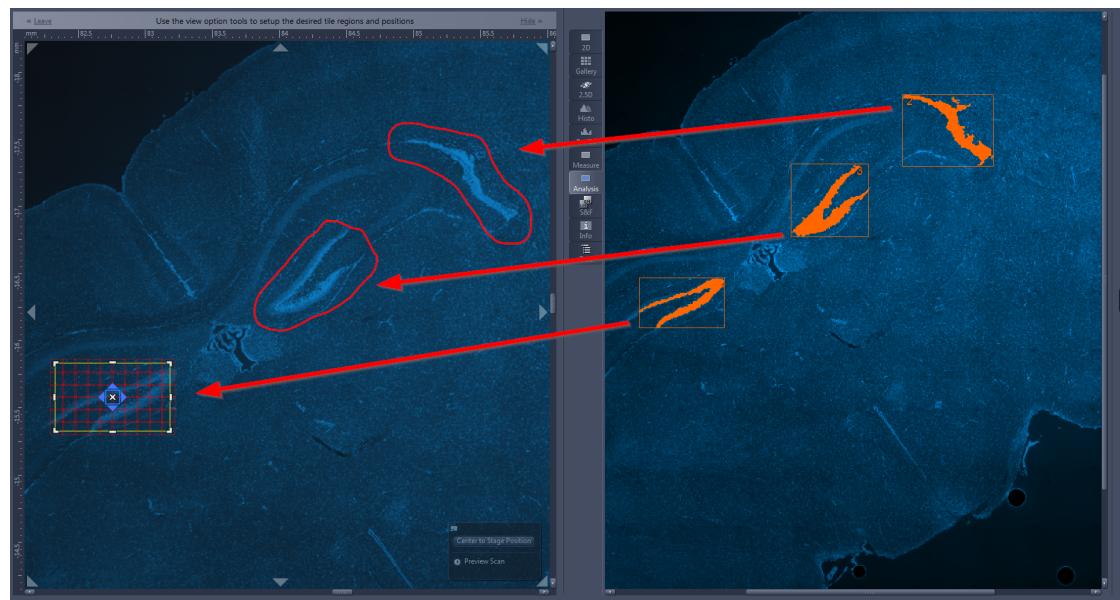


Figure 10: The results of the detailed scan - tile regions adapts to objects.

That is it. All image data sets acquired at the detected positions are stored inside the correct folder using the object IDs as names. The tables are saved in the same location.

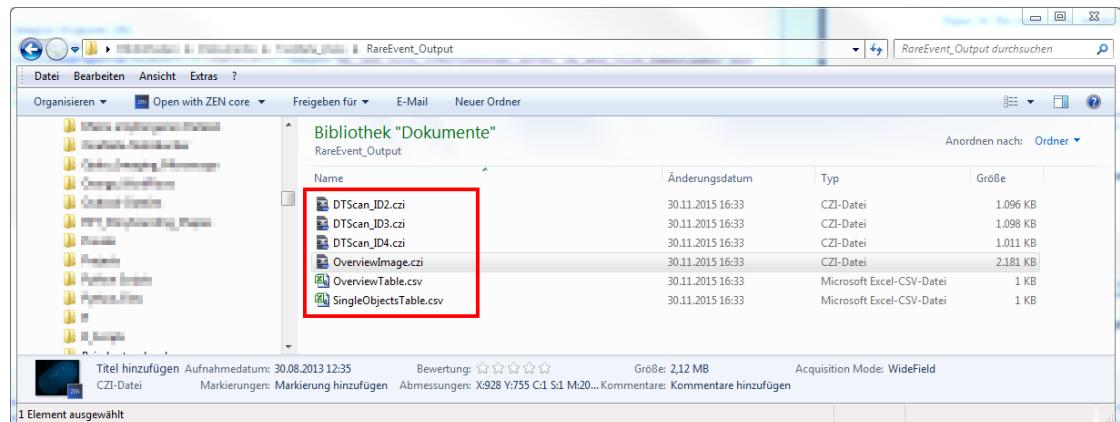


Figure 11: The results of the detailed scan stored inside a folder.

4 Testrun with FluoCells Slide

To test the workflow on a real sample one can use the FluoCells slide. The general idea is to setup an image analysis that detects some "interesting" objects. In order to create a somewhat short test run it is recommended to use an image analysis pipeline that only yields in a few positive detection events.

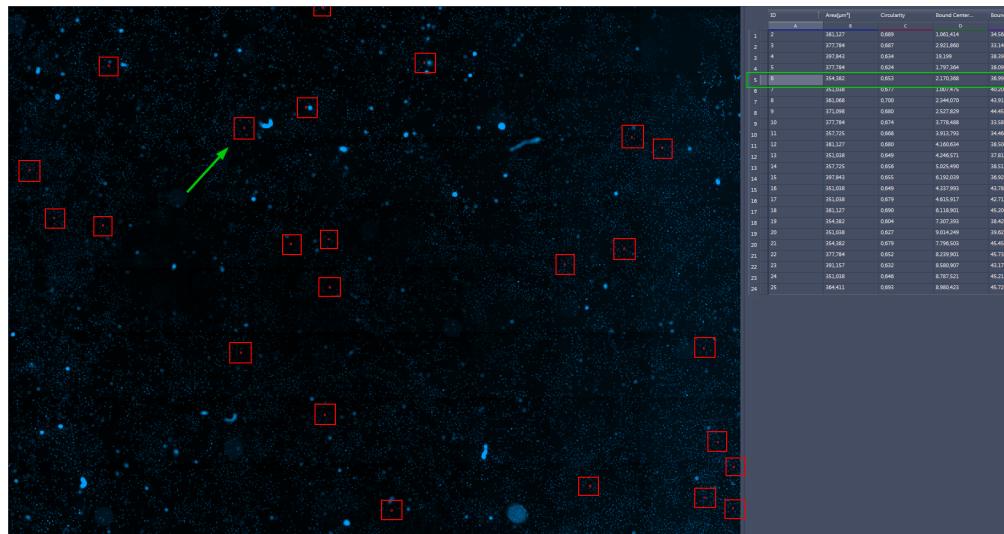


Figure 12: The results of the overview scan and image analysis.

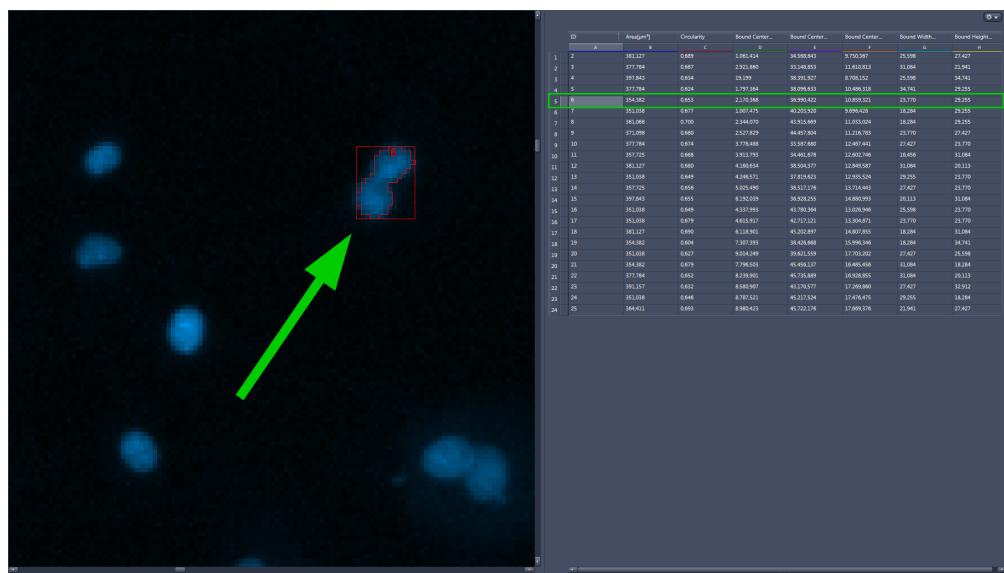


Figure 13: Detailed view on a detected object.

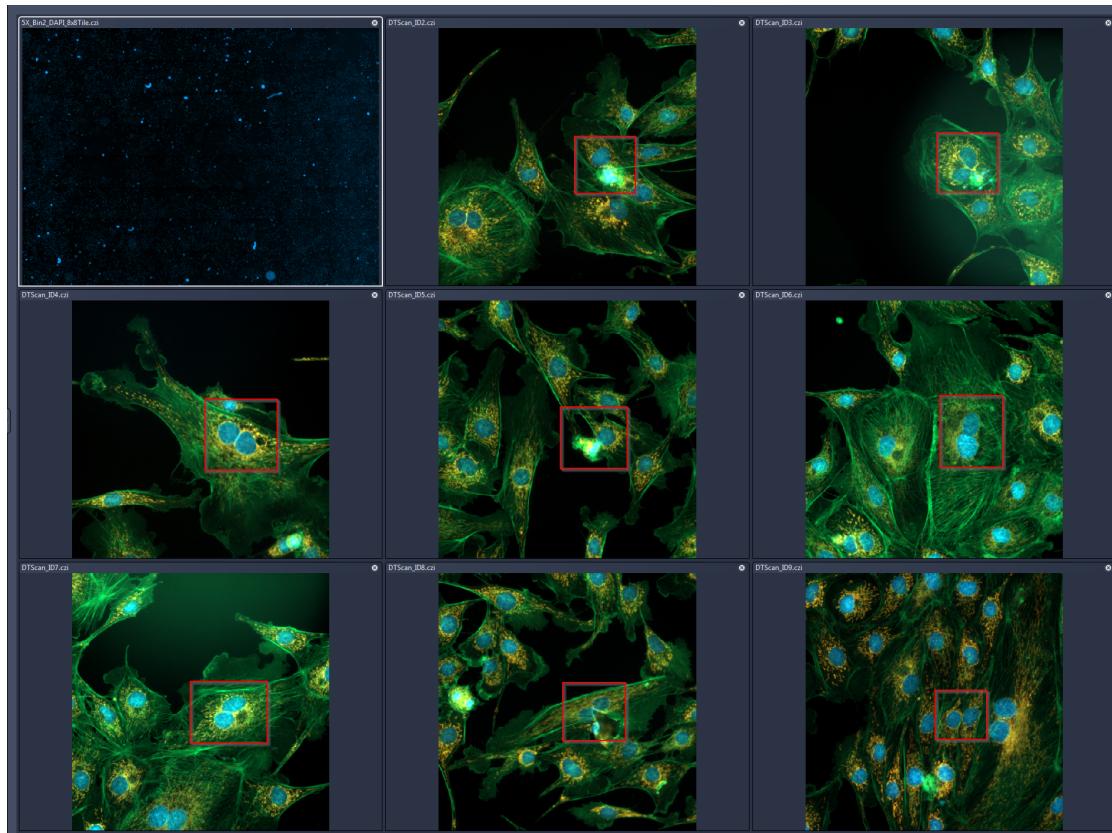


Figure 14: Detailed images from some of the detected objects.

The image analysis yielded **24** positive detections of cells with a large nucleus, preferably cells which were "caught" during cell division. Keep in mind, that the image analysis was not "fine-tuned" to catch all cell divisions. It is all about testing out the general workflow. For this reason it is also good practice to acquire a small overview scan at the beginning, e.g. a 2x2 tile image.

5 Test Run with Brain Slide

The same basic workflow can be also used to detect brain slices on a slide. All one needs to change is the image analysis pipeline in order to detect the slices.

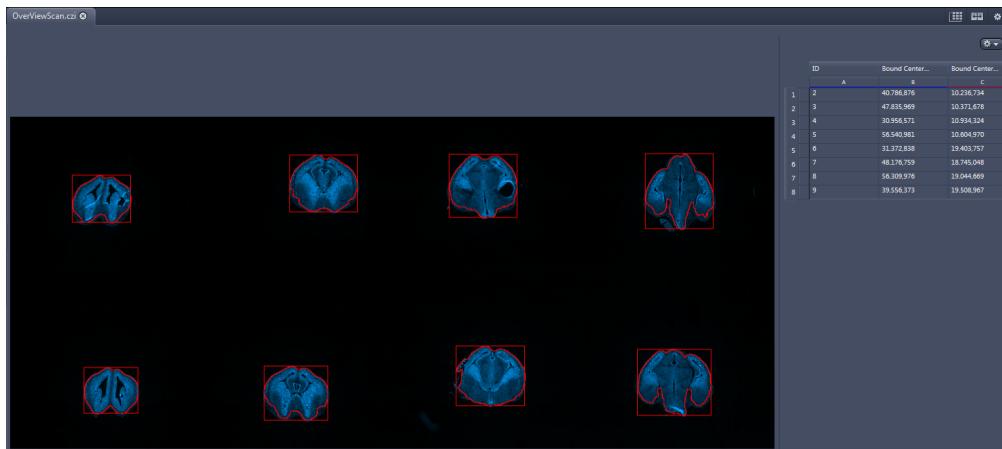


Figure 15: The results of the overview scan and image analysis.

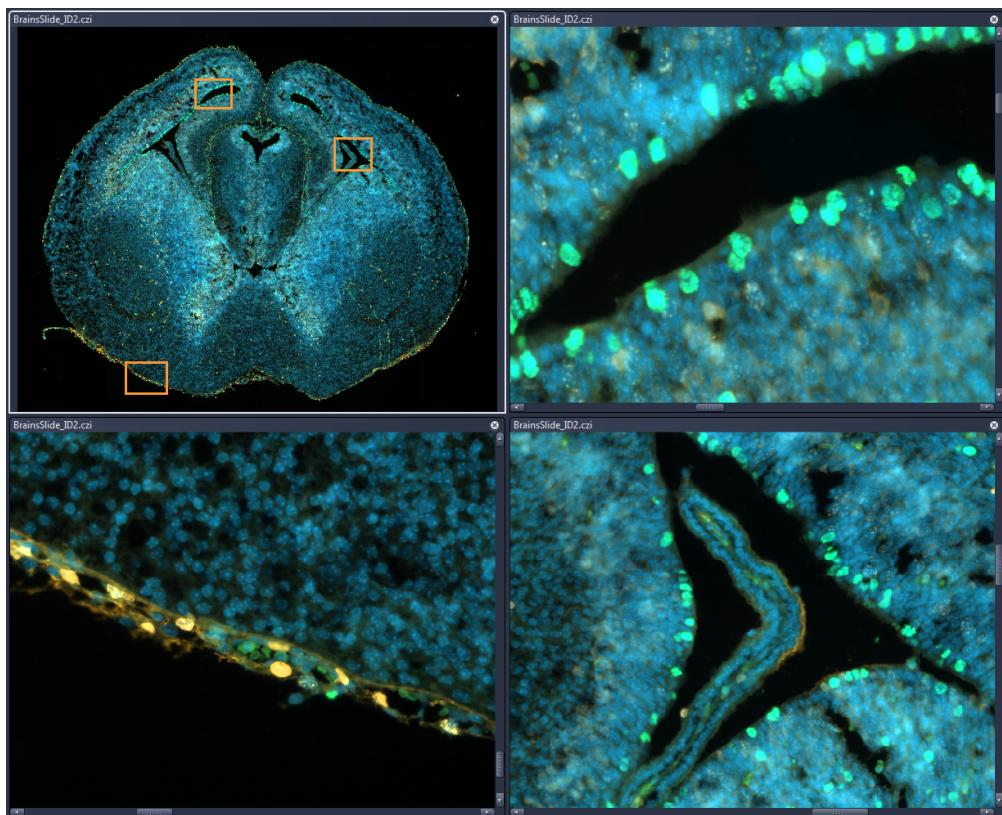


Figure 16: A more detailed image of the first specimen with three zoomed-in regions.



The image analysis yielded **eight** positive regions for brains slices on this slide. The properties of the bounding rectangle were used to modify the required tile experiment. The final detailed scan contained 36 tiles and it was imaged using only a hardware-based focus system.

Keep in mind that the actual focusing during such a experiment must be still part of the focus strategies with the Detail Scan experiment. Which one must be used here greatly depends on the nature of the sample and the actual application. The Guided Acquisition tool only supports finding the initial positions based on the overview scan image.

6 Mitosis Detection with Camera and LSM

An especially interesting option is to combine the power of a camera-based overview scan with the optional sectioning capabilities of an LSM. Such a workflow can be easily configured in ZEN Blue by setting up the respective experiment for the overview scan with camera detection using a low magnification and the LSM-based detail scan, e.g. Z-Stack, using a high NA objective.

Since ZEN Blue 2.5 this software has a module called **ZEN Connect**, which allows combining and correlating images inside one sample-centric workspace. Every acquired image by either the camera or the LSM will be placed here based on the XY stage coordinates. Therefore the **Correlative Workspace (CWS)** is ideally suited to display the results of a Guided Acquisition workflow.

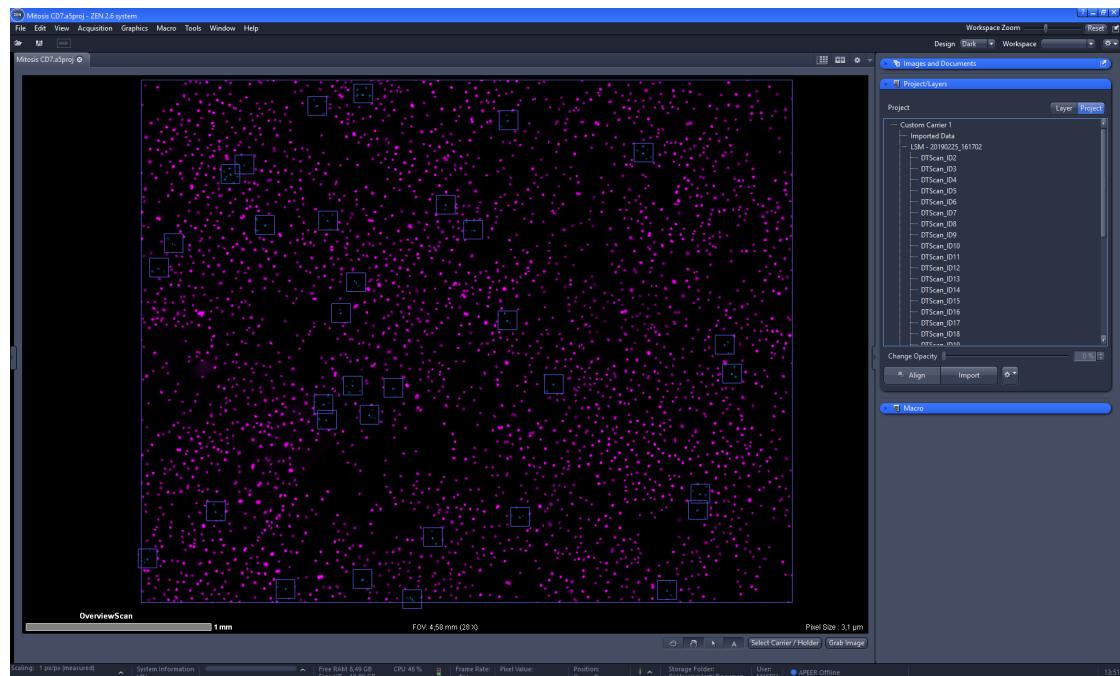


Figure 17: The results of the overview scan and image analysis inside the CWS.



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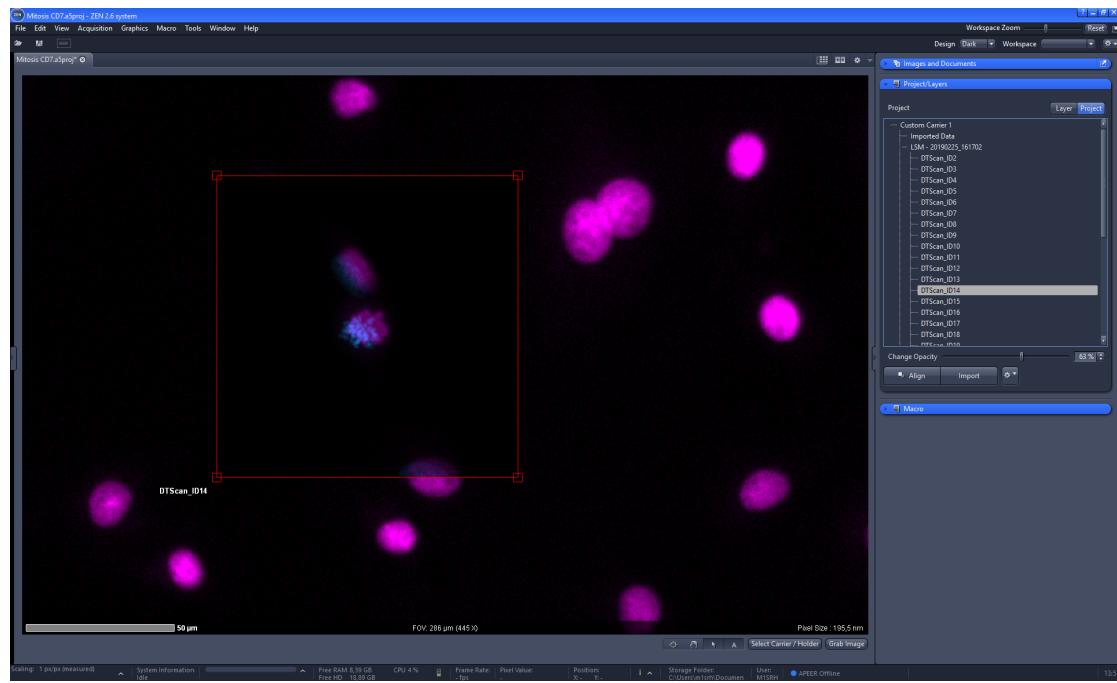


Figure 18: Overlay between positive detection inside overview scan and detailed scan using the Correlative Workspace (CWS).

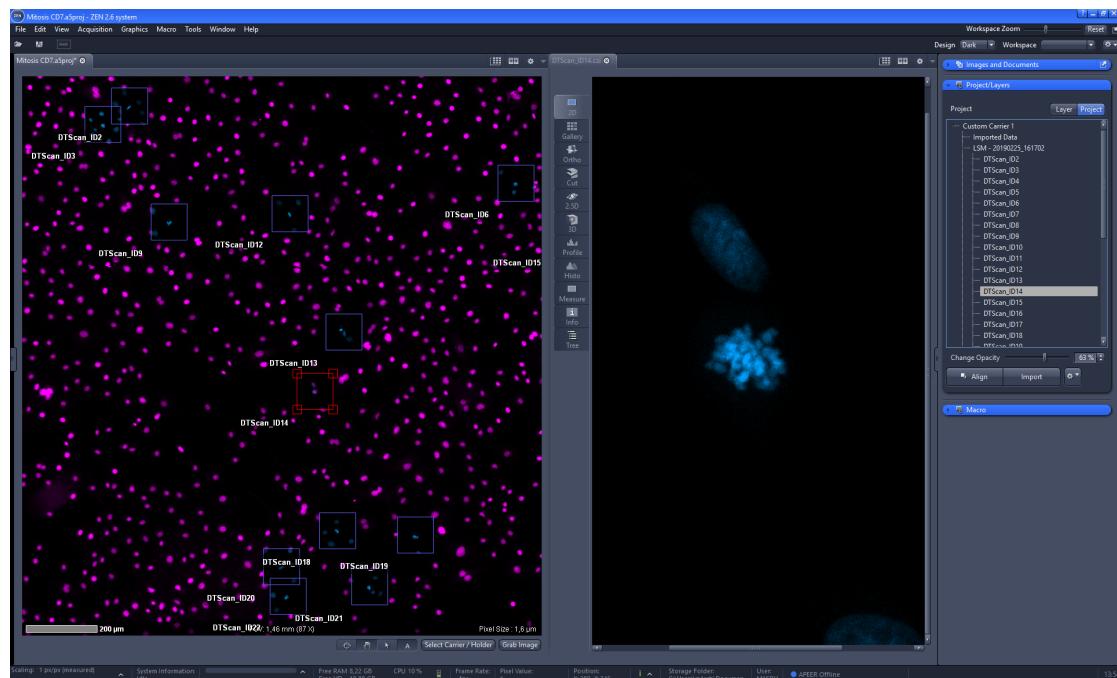


Figure 19: Side-by-Side view of the CWS and the normal view inside ZEN Blue.

7 Appendix

7.1 Complete Workflow Diagram

This is the complete workflow diagram for **Guided Acquisition**.

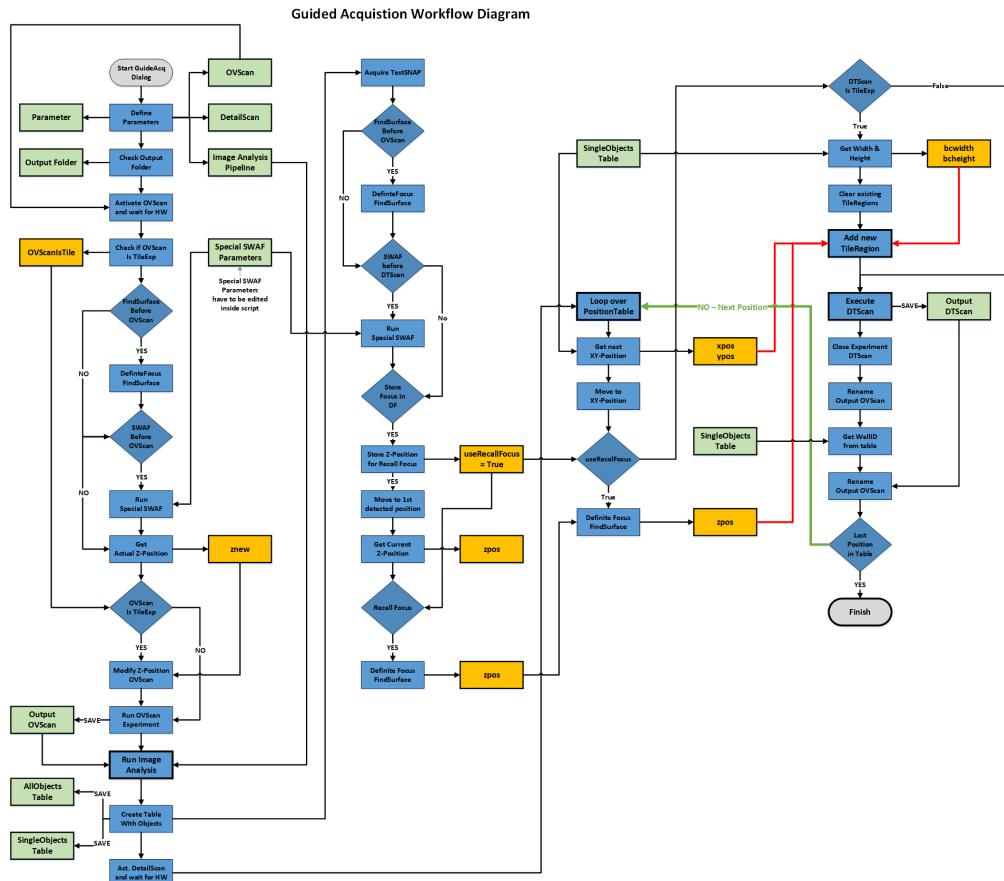


Figure 20: Complete workflow diagram for Guided Acquisition



7.2 Python Script: Guided_Acquisition_shortUI.py

This is the complete ZEN Blue python script used to realize the workflow described above. In principle it can work on any motorized microscope stand running under ZEN blue (with some modifications), but it was tested and optimized mainly for the Celldiscoverer 7 and for the AxioObserver 7. Both of those stands have the Definite Focus 2 as an additional hardware option, which is strongly advised for such highly automated workflows, where fast and efficient focus options, such as Find Surface are really a big plus.

```
1 #####  
2 # File : Guided_Acquisition_shortUI.py  
3 # Version : 6.9  
4 # Author : czsrh, cmbla  
5 # Date : 27.02.2019  
6 # Institution : Carl Zeiss Microscopy GmbH  
7 #  
8 # !!! Requires with ZEN >=2.6 HF3 - Use at your own Risk !!!  
9 #  
10 # Optimized for the use with Celldiscoverer 7 and DF2, but  
11 # applicable for all motorized stands running in ZEN Blue.  
12 # Please adapt focussing commands, especially FindSurface  
13 # when using with other stands.  
14 #  
15 # 1) - Select Overview Scan Experiment  
16 # 2) - Select appropriate Image Analysis Pipeline  
17 # 3) - Select Detailed Scan Experiment  
18 # 4) - Specify the output folder for the image and data tables  
19 #  
20 #  
21 # Copyright(c) 2019 Carl Zeiss AG, Germany. All Rights Reserved.  
22 #  
23 # Permission is granted to use, modify and distribute this code,  
24 # as long as this copyright notice remains part of the code.  
25 #####  
26  
27 import time  
28 from datetime import datetime  
29 import errno  
30 from System import Array  
31 from System import ApplicationException  
32 from System import TimeoutException  
33 from System.IO import File, Directory, Path  
34 import sys  
35  
36  
37 # version number for dialog window  
version = 6.9  
38 # file name for overview scan  
ovscan_name = 'OverviewScan.czi'  
39  
40 """  
41 Additional XY offset for possible 2nd port relative to the 1st port  
42 Example: 1st port Camera and 2nd port LSM  
43 Can be set to Zero, when system is correctly calibrated  
44 !!! Only use when OverView and DetailedScan are using different detector !!!  
45 """  
46 dx_detector = 0.0  
47 dy_detector = 0.0  
48  
49 # experiment blockindex  
50 blockindex = 0  
51 # delay for specific hardware movements in [seconds]  
52 hwdelay = 1  
53  
54  
55  
56  
57 def dircheck(basefolder):  
58  
59     # check if the destination basefolder exists  
60     base_exists = Directory.Exists(basefolder)  
61  
62     if base_exists:  
63         print('Selected Directory Exists: ', base_exists)  
64         # specify the desired output format for the folder, e.g. 2017-08-08_17-47-41  
65         format = 'YY-MM-%d_XH-%M-XS'  
66         # create the new directory  
67         newdir = createfolder(basefolder, formatstring=format)  
68         print('Created new directory: ', newdir)  
69     if not base_exists:
```



```
70     Directory.CreateDirectory(basefolder)
71     newdir = basefolder
72
73     return newdir
74
75
76 def createfolder(basedir, formatstring='%(Y-%m-%d_%H-%M-%S')':
77     # construct new directory name based on date and time
78     newdir = Path.Combine(basedir, datetime.now().strftime(formatstring))
79     # check if the new directory (for whatever reasons) already exists
80     try:
81         newdir_exists = Directory.Exists(newdir)
82         if not newdir_exists:
83             # create new directory if it does not exist
84             Directory.CreateDirectory(newdir)
85         if newdir_exists:
86             # raise error if it really already exists
87             raise SystemExit
88     except OSError as e:
89         if e.errno != errno.EEXIST:
90             newdir = None
91             raise # This was not a "directory exist" error..
92
93     return newdir
94
95
96 def getshortfiles(filelist):
97     files_short = []
98     for short in filelist:
99         files_short.append(Path.GetFileName(short))
100
101    return files_short
102
103
104 def cloneexp(expname, prefix='GA_', save=True, reloadexp=True):
105
106     exp = Zen.Acquisition.Experiments.GetByName(expname)
107     exp_newname = prefix + expname
108
109     # save experiment
110     if save:
111         exp.SaveAs(exp_newname, False)
112         print('Saved Temporary Experiment as : ', exp_newname)
113         # close the original experiment object
114         exp.Close()
115         time.sleep(1)
116
117     # reload experiment
118     if reloadexp:
119         exp_reload = Zen.Acquisition.Experiments.GetByName(exp_newname)
120     elif not reloadexp:
121         exp_reload = None
122
123     return exp_reload
124
125
126 def runSWAF_special(SWAF_exp,
127                      delay=5,
128                      searchStrategy='Full',
129                      sampling=ZenSoftwareAutofocusSampling.Coarse,
130                      relativeRangeIsAutomatic=False,
131                      relativeRangeSize=500,
132                      timeout=0):
133
134     # get current z-Position
135     zSWAF = Zen.Devices.Focus.ActualPosition
136     print('Z-Position before special SWAF : ', zSWAF)
137
138     # set DetailScan active and wait for moving hardware due to settings
139     SWAF_exp.SetActive()
140     time.sleep(delay)
141
142     # set SWAF parameters
143     SWAF_exp.SetAutofocusParameters(searchStrategy=searchStrategy,
144                                     sampling=sampling,
145                                     relativeRangeIsAutomatic=relativeRangeIsAutomatic,
146                                     relativeRangeSize=relativeRangeSize)
147
148     try:
149         print('Running special SWAF ...')
150         zSWAF = Zen.Acquisition.FindAutofocus(SWAF_exp, timeoutSeconds=timeout)
151     except ApplicationException as e:
152         print('Application Exception : ', e.Message)
153     except TimeoutException as e:
154         print(e.Message)
155
156     print('Z-Position after initial SWAF : ', zSWAF)
157
158     return zSWAF
```



```
159 def checktableentry(datatable, entry2check='ImageSceneContainerName'):
160     num_col = datatable.ColumnCount
161     entry_exists = False
162
163     for c in range(0, num_col):
164         # get the current column name
165         colname = datatable.Columns[c].ColumnName
166         if colname == entry2check:
167             column = c
168             entry_exists = True
169             break
170
171     return entry_exists, column
172
173 #####
174
175 # clear console output
176 Zen.Application.MacroEditor.ClearMessages()
177
178 # check the location of experiment setups and image analysis settings are stored
179 docfolder = Zen.Application.Environment.GetFolderPath(ZenSpecialFolder.UserDocuments)
180 imgfolder = Zen.Application.Environment.GetFolderPath(ZenSpecialFolder.ImageAutoSave)
181 imgfolder = Path.Combine(imgfolder, 'Guided_Acquisition')
182 # imgfolder = r'c:\Output\Guided_Acquisition'
183 format = '%Y-%m-%d.%H-%M-%S'
184
185 # get list with all existing experiments and image analysis setup and a short version of that list
186 expfiles = Directory.GetFiles(Path.Combine(docfolder, 'Experiment Setups'), '*.czexp')
187 ipfiles = Directory.GetFiles(Path.Combine(docfolder, 'Image Analysis Settings'), '*.czias')
188 expfiles_short = getshortfiles(expfiles)
189 ipfiles_short = getshortfiles(ipfiles)
190
191 # Initialize Dialog
192 GuidedAcqDialog = ZenWindow()
193 GuidedAcqDialog.Initialize("Guided Acquisition - Version : " + str(version))
194 # add components to dialog
195 GuidedAcqDialog.AddLabel('1) Select Overview Experiment -----')
196 GuidedAcqDialog.AddDropDown('overview_exp', 'Overview Scan Experiment', expfiles_short, 0)
197 GuidedAcqDialog.AddCheckbox('fs_before_overview', 'OPTION - FindsSurface (DF only) before Overview', False)
198 GuidedAcqDialog.AddCheckbox('SWAF_before_overview', 'OPTION - SWAF before Overview', False)
199 GuidedAcqDialog.AddIntegerRange('SWAF_ov_initial_range', 'Initial SWAF Range before Overview [micron]', 200, 50, 3000)
200 GuidedAcqDialog.AddLabel('2) Select Image Analysis to detect objects -----')
201 GuidedAcqDialog.AddDropDown('ip_pipe', 'Image Analysis Pipeline', ipfiles_short, 0)
202 GuidedAcqDialog.AddLabel('3) Select DetailScan Experiment -----')
203 GuidedAcqDialog.AddDropDown('detailed_exp', 'Detailed Scan Experiment', expfiles_short, 1)
204 GuidedAcqDialog.AddCheckbox('fs_before_detail', 'OPTION - FindsSurface (DF only) before Detail', False)
205 GuidedAcqDialog.AddCheckbox('SWAF_before_detail', 'OPTION - SWAF before Detail', False)
206 GuidedAcqDialog.AddIntegerRange('SWAF_detail_initial_range', 'Initial SWAF Range before Detail [micron]', 100, 10, 1000)
207 GuidedAcqDialog.AddCheckbox('recallfocus_beforeDT', 'OPTION - Use RecallFocus (DF only) before Detail', False)
208 GuidedAcqDialog.AddLabel('4) Specify basefolder to save the images -----')
209 GuidedAcqDialog.AddFolderBrowser('outfolder', 'Basefolder for Images and Data Tables', imgfolder)
210
211 # show the window
212 result = GuidedAcqDialog.Show()
213 if result.HasCanceled:
214     message = 'Macro was canceled by user.'
215     print(message)
216     raise SystemExit
217
218 # get the values and store them
219 OverViewExpName = str(result.GetValue('overview_exp'))
220 ImageAS = str(result.GetValue('ip_pipe'))
221 DetailExpName = str(result.GetValue('detailed_exp'))
222 OutputFolder = str(result.GetValue('outfolder'))
223 fs_beforeOV = result.GetValue('fs_before_overview')
224 SWAF_beforeOV = result.GetValue('SWAF_before_overview')
225 SWAF_beforeOV_range = result.GetValue('SWAF_ov_initial_range')
226 fs_beforeDT = result.GetValue('fs_before_detail')
227 SWAF_beforeDT = result.GetValue('SWAF_before_detail')
228 SWAF_beforeDT_range = result.GetValue('SWAF_detail_initial_range')
229 RecallFocus = result.GetValue('recallfocus_beforeDT')
230
231 # print values
232 print('Overview Scan Experiment : ' + OverViewExpName)
233 print('Image Analysis Pipeline : ' + ImageAS)
234 print('Detailed Scan Experiment : ' + DetailExpName)
235 print('Output Folder for Data : ' + OutputFolder)
236 print('\n')
237
238 # check directory
239 OutputFolder = dircheck(OutputFolder)
240
241 # create a duplicate of the OVScan experiment to work with
242 OVScan_reloaded = cloneexp(OverViewExpName)
243
244 # active the temporary experiment to trigger its validation
```



```
248 OVScan_reloaded.SetActive()
249 time.sleep(hwdelay)
250 # check if the experiment contains tile regions
251 OVScanIsTileExp = OVScan_reloaded.IsTilesExperiment(blockindex)
252
253 ##### START OVERVIEW SCAN EXPERIMENT #####
254
255 if fs_beforeOV:
256     # initial focussing via FindSurface to assure a good starting position
257     Zen.Acquisition.FindSurface()
258     print('Z-Position after FindSurface: ', Zen.Devices.Focus.ActualPosition)
259
260 if SWAF_beforeOV:
261     zSWAF = runSWAF_special(OVScan_reloaded,
262                             delay=hwdelay,
263                             searchStrategy='Full',
264                             sampling=ZenSoftwareAutofocusSampling.Coarse,
265                             relativeRangeIsAutomatic=False,
266                             relativeRangeSize=SWAF_beforeOV_range,
267                             timeout=1)
268
269 # get the resulting z-position
270 znew = Zen.Devices.Focus.ActualPosition
271
272 # adapt the Overview Scan Tile Experiment with new Z-Position
273 if OVScanIsTileExp:
274     OVScan_reloaded.ModifyTileRegionsZ(blockindex, znew)
275     print('Adapted Z-Position of Tile OverView. New Z = ', '%.2f' % znew)
276
277 # execute the experiment
278 print('\nRunning OverviewScan Experiment.\n')
279 output_OVScan = Zen.Acquisition.Execute(OVScan_reloaded)
280 # For testing purposes - Load overview scan image automatically instead of executing the "real" experiment
281 # output_OVScan = Zen.Application.LoadImage(r'c:\Temp\input\OverViewScan_8Brains.czi', False)
282
283 # show the overview scan inside the document area
284 Zen.Application.Documents.Add(output_OVScan)
285 ovdoc = Zen.Application.Documents.GetByName(output_OVScan.Name)
286
287 # save the overview scan image inside the select folder
288 output_OVScan.Save(Path.Combine(OutputFolder, ovscan_name))
289
290 ##### END OVERVIEW SCAN EXPERIMENT #####
291
292 # Load analysis setting created by the wizard or an separate macro
293 ias = ZenImageAnalysisSetting()
294
295 # for simulation use: 000 - RareEventExample.czias
296 ias.Load(ImageAS)
297
298 # Analyse the image
299 Zen.Analyzing.Analyze(output_OVScan, ias)
300
301 # Create Zen table with results for all detected objects (parent class)
302 AllObj = Zen.Analyzing.CreateRegionsTable(output_OVScan)
303
304 # Create Zen table with results for each single object
305 SingleObj = Zen.Analyzing.CreateRegionTable(output_OVScan)
306
307 # check for existence of required column names inside table
308 soi = SingleObj.GetBoundsColumnInfoFromImageAnalysis(True)
309
310 # 1st item is a bool indicating if all required columns could be found
311 columnsOK = soi.AreRequiredColumnsAvailable
312
313 if not columnsOK:
314     print('Execution stopped. Required Columns are missing.')
315     raise Exception('Execution stopped. Required Columns are missing.')
316
317 # show and save data tables to the specified folder
318 Zen.Application.Documents.Add(AllObj)
319 Zen.Application.Documents.Add(SingleObj)
320 AllObj.Save(Path.Combine(OutputFolder, 'OverviewTable.csv'))
321 SingleObj.Save(Path.Combine(OutputFolder, 'SingleObjectsTable.csv'))
322
323 # check the number of detected objects = rows inside image analysis table
324 num_POI = SingleObj.RowCount
325
326 ##### Prepare DetailScan #####
327
328 print('Starting DetailScan ...')
329
330 # create an duplicate of the DetailScan experiment to work with
331 DetailScan_reloaded = cloneexp(DetailExpName)
332
333 # active the temporary experiment to trigger its validation
334 DetailScan_reloaded.SetActive()
335 time.sleep(hwdelay)
336 # check if the experiment contains tile regions
```



```
337 DetailIsTileExp = DetailScan_reloaded.IsTilesExperiment(blockindex)
338
339 # test snap to change to the valid settings, e.g. the objective from the DetailScan
340 testsnap = Zen.Acquisition.AcquireImage(DetailScan_reloaded)
341 print('Acquire Test Snap using setting from DetailScan')
342 testsnap.Close()
343 # wait for moving hardware due to settings
344 time.sleep(hwdelay)
345
346 # move to 1st detected object
347 xpos_1st = SingleObj.GetValue(0, soi.CenterXColumnIndex)
348 ypos_1st = SingleObj.GetValue(0, soi.CenterYColumnIndex)
349 Zen.Devices.Stage.MoveTo(xpos_1st + dx_detector, ypos_1st + dy_detector)
350
351 if fs_beforeDT:
352     try:
353         # initial focussing via FindSurface to assure a good starting position
354         Zen.Acquisition.FindSurface()
355         print('Z-Position after FindSurface: ', Zen.Devices.Focus.ActualPosition)
356     except ApplicationException as e:
357         print('Application Exception : ', e.Message)
358         print('FindSurface (Definite Focus) failed.')
359
360 if SWAF_beforeDT:
361     zSWAF = runSWAF_special(DetailScan_reloaded,
362                             delay=hwdelay,
363                             searchStrategy='Full',
364                             sampling=ZenSoftwareAutofocusSampling.Coarse,
365                             relativeRangeIsAutomatic=False,
366                             relativeRangeSize=SWAF_beforeDT_range,
367                             timeout=0)
368
369 userecallfocus = False
370
371 if RecallFocus:
372     try:
373         # store current focus position inside DF to use it with RecallFocus
374         Zen.Acquisition.StoreFocus()
375         userecallfocus = True
376     except ApplicationException as e:
377         print('Application Exception : ', e.Message)
378         print('StoreFocus (Definite Focus) failed.')
379         userecallfocus = False
380
381 ###### START DETAILED SCAN EXPERIMENT #####
382
383 # get the actual Focus position
384 zpos = Zen.Devices.Focus.ActualPosition
385
386 # check for the column 'ID' which is required
387 ID_exists, column_ID = checktableentry(SingleObj,
388                                         entry2check='ID')
389
390 # execute detailed experiment at the position of every detected object
391 for i in range(0, num_POI, 1):
392
393     # get the object information from the position table
394     # get the ID of the object - IDs start with 2 !!!
395     #POI_ID = SingleObj.GetValue(i, 0)
396     POI_ID = SingleObj.GetValue(i, column_ID)
397
398     # get XY-stage position from table
399     xpos = SingleObj.GetValue(i, soi.CenterXColumnIndex)
400     ypos = SingleObj.GetValue(i, soi.CenterYColumnIndex)
401
402     # move to the current position
403     Zen.Devices.Stage.MoveTo(xpos + dx_detector, ypos + dy_detector)
404     print('Moving Stage to Object ID:', POI_ID, ' at : ', '%.2f' % xpos, '%.2f' % ypos)
405
406     # try to apply RecallFocus (DF only) when this option is used
407     if userecallfocus:
408         try:
409             # apply RecallFocus for the current position
410             Zen.Acquisition.RecallFocus()
411             zpos = Zen.Devices.Focus.ActualPosition
412             print('Recall Focus (Definite Focus) applied.')
413             print('Updated Z-Position: ', zpos)
414         except ApplicationException as e:
415             print('Application Exception : ', e.Message)
416             print('RecallFocus (Definite Focus) failed.')
417
418         print('New Z-Position before Detail Experiment will start:', zpos)
419
420     # if DetailScan is a Tile Experiment
421     if DetailIsTileExp:
422
423         print('Detailed Experiment contains TileRegions.')
```



```
426 # Modify tile center position - get bounding rectangle width and height in microns
427 bcwidth = SingleObj.GetValue(i, soi.WidthColumnIndex)
428 bcheight = SingleObj.GetValue(i, soi.HeightColumnIndex)
429 print('Width and Height : ', '%.2f' % bcwidth, '%.2f' % bcheight)
430 print('Modifying Tile Properties XYZ Position and width and height.')
431
432 # Modify the XYZ position and size of the TileRegion on-the-fly
433 print('Starting Z-Position for current Object: ', '%.2f' % zpos)
434 print('New Tile Properties: ', '%.2f' % xpos, '%.2f' % ypos, '%.2f' % zpos, '%.2f' % bcwidth, '%.2f' % bcheight)
435 DetailScan_reloaded.ClearTileRegionsAndPositions(blockindex)
436 try:
437     DetailScan_reloaded.AddRectangleTileRegion(blockindex, xpos, ypos, bcwidth, bcheight, zpos)
438 except ApplicationException as e:
439     print('Application Exception : ', e.Message)
440
441 if not DetailIsTileExp:
442     print('Detailed Experiment does not contains TileRegions. Nothing to modify.')
443
444 # execute the DetailScan experiment
445 print('Running Detail Scan Experiment at new XYZ position.')
446 try:
447     output_detailscan = Zen.Acquisition.Execute(DetailScan_reloaded)
448 except ApplicationException as e:
449     print('Application Exception : ', e.Message)
450
451 # get the image data name
452 dtscan_name = output_detailscan.Name
453
454 """
455 Modification for multiscene images: container name needs to be part
456 of the filename of the detailed Scan.
457 First check if Column "Image Scene Container Name" is available
458 and then add Container Name to filename.
459 """
460
461 wellid_exist, column_wellid = checktableentry(SingleObj,
462                                             entry2check='ImageSceneContainerName')
463
464 # in case Image Scene Container Name is not defined
465 if not wellid_exist:
466     message = 'Missing column ImageSceneContainerName in Image Analysis Results.\nPlease Select Features inside the Image
467     <- Analysis.'
468     print(message)
469     container_name = 'empty'
470
471 # save the image data to the selected folder and close the image
472 output_detailscan.Save(Path.Combine(OutputFolder, output_detailscan.Name))
473 output_detailscan.Close()
474
475 # rename the CZI regarding to the object ID - Attention - IDs start with 2 !!!
476 if not wellid_exist:
477     # no wellID found inside table
478     newname_dtscan = 'DTScan_ID' + str(POI_ID) + '.czi'
479 if wellid_exist:
480     # wellID was found inside table
481     well_id = SingleObj.GetValue(i, column_wellid)
482     newname_dtscan = 'DTScan_Well_' + str(wellid) + '_ID_' + str(POI_ID) + '.czi'
483 print('Renaming File: ' + dtscan_name + ' to: ' + newname_dtscan + '\n')
484 File.Move(Path.Combine(OutputFolder, dtscan_name), Path.Combine(OutputFolder, newname_dtscan))
485 ###### END DETAILED SCAN EXPERIMENT #####
486
487 # restore the original OVScan experiment
488 OVScan_orig = Zen.Acquisition.Experiments.GetByName(OverViewExpName)
489 OVScan_orig.SetActive()
490
491 # delete the temporary experiments when all loops are finished
492 Zen.Acquisition.Experiments.Delete(OVScan_reloaded)
493 Zen.Acquisition.Experiments.Delete(DetailScan_reloaded)
494
495 # show the overview scan document again at the end
496 Zen.Application.Documents.ActiveDocument = ovdoc
497 print('All Positions done. Guided Acquisition Workflow finished.'
```



8 ToDo's and Limitations

The current version of this tool has still limitations and room for improvement.

- No yet built-in check to avoid double detailed scans for objects close to each other within one field of view.
- Currently only modification of rectangular tile regions are supported.

9 Disclaimer

This is an application note that is free to use for everybody. Use it on your own risk.

Especially be aware of the fact that automated stage movements might damage hardware if the system is not setup properly and not correctly calibrated.

Please check everything in simulation mode first!

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