

## Macro files

Each file needs to be saved separately by the name mentioned in the first line of the macro

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//file "1. lif2tif.txt"
/*
 * Extract images from a lif file
 * Images are RGB but for the current analysis, only the green channel is saved
 * New insights also require the blue channel.
 * Enter starting folder, process recursively all lif files, creating a subfolder for each
 * Name of subfolder reflects the name of the lif file
 * Name of the image files are created from series names in lif files.

 * Blue is in the first channel, green in the second and red in the third channel
 * (as opposed to the usual RGB ordering of pixel data).
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//modified version of "lif2tif 20190418"

macro "Extract Timelapse from Lif as Tif"{
    //avoiding the Ext functions
    startTime = getTime();
    close("*");
    print("\Clear");
    run("Bio-Formats Macro Extensions");
    startPath = getDirectory("Choose a Directory");
setBatchMode(true); //change to true for speeding up, should be false for debugging or you won't see images!
    nLifFiles = processFolder(startPath);
setBatchMode(false);
    close("*");
    endTime = getTime(); deltaTime=floor((endTime-startTime)/60);
    showMessage("Processed "+nLifFiles+" Lif files in " + deltaTime + " seconds");
}

function processFolder(inPath){
    processedFiles=0;
    arrayOfNames = getFileList( inPath );
    for(i=0;i<arrayOfNames.length;i++){
        thisName=arrayOfNames[i];
        if(File.isDirectory(inPath+thisName)){
            processedFiles = processedFiles + processFolder(inPath + thisName);
        }
    }
    for(i=0;i<arrayOfNames.length;i++){
        thisName = arrayOfNames[i];//shows up in Debug window
        if(endsWith(thisName,".lif")){
            thisFolder=replace(arrayOfNames[i],".lif","");
            outPath = inPath+thisFolder+File.separator;
            bluePath = outPath+"blue"+File.separator;
            //having a symmetrical solution in bluePath and greenPath would have been better
            File.makeDirectory(outPath);
            File.makeDirectory(bluePath);
            if (!File.exists(outPath) || !File.exists(bluePath)){
                errorMessage="Unable to create directory " + outPath;
                exit(errorMessage);
            }
            processedFiles = processedFiles + extractGreen(thisFolder,inPath,outPath);
        }
    }
}
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        return    processedFiles;
    }

function extractGreen(fileName,inpath, outpath){//fileName has no extension, fileName is same as tail of outpath
    close("*");//remove remaining windows
    pf=0;//number of processed files
    print("processing "+fileName+ " into "+outpath);//keep track of progress in big batches
    run("Bio-Formats Macro Extensions");
    //import headers in Original Metadata Window
    //get an array with series names
    //for each series
    //could use FluoCubeName property as indicator of wavelength used
    id = inpath + fileName+".lif";
    Ext.setId(id);//use EXT functions of Bio-Formats extensions to read .lif files
    Ext.getCurrentFile(file);
    Ext.getImageCount(n);
    Ext.getSeriesCount(seriesCount);

    Ext.getFormat(inpath+fileName+".lif", format);
    Ext.getSeriesCount(seriesCount);
    for(s=0; s < seriesCount; s++){
        Ext.setSeries(s);st=s+1;
        Ext.getSeriesName(seriesName);
        //string, format " Series X Name\tStringValue"
        //string, format "Image name\tStringValue"
        //a slash is sometimes found in the seriesName, as subfolder indicator
        //slashes are a directory indicator that we don't want to handle; replace slash by underscore
        if(indexOf(seriesName,"/")!=-1){seriesName=replace(seriesName,"/","_");}
        destFile = fileName + "/" + seriesName;
        Ext.getImageCount(imageCount);//if 0 then this is a text file
        if(imageCount > 0){
            ext = ".tif";
        }else{
            ext="";
        }
        testname = seriesName + ext;
        if(!File.exists(outpath + testname) || true){//force re-saving of blue channel; save time by removing ||true and
skip old files.
            print("\\"Update:trying to load "+testname);
            run("Bio-Formats Importer", "open=[["+inpath+fileName+".lif+"]]" use_virtual_stack autoscale
color_mode=Default rois_import=[ROI manager] view=Hyperstack stack_order=XYCZT series_"+st);
            print("\\"Update:Successfully loaded "+testname);
            outFileName = outpath + testname;
            print("\\"Update:Saving "+outFileName);
            if(ext == ".tif"){
                Stack.setDisplayMode("color");
                run("Stack to Images");
                tws=getList("image.titles");
                for(i=tws.length;i>0;i--){//close images that are not needed, save other images
                    thisTitle=tws[i-1];
                    selectImage(thisTitle);
                    foundPos=indexOf(thisTitle,"3/3");//image containing red (remember: order is blue, green,
red)
                    if(foundPos!=-1){
                        close;//run("Close");
                    }
                    foundPos=indexOf(thisTitle,"2/3");
                    if(foundPos!=-1){
                        saveAs("tiff", outpath+seriesName+".tif");//save the green image. Not a symmetrical
solution (would be outpath/green/seriesName.tif).
                    }
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

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        close;//run("Close");
    }
    foundPos=indexOf(thisTitle,"1/3");
    if(foundPos!=-1){
        saveAs("tiff", outpath+"blue/"+seriesName+".tif");
        close;//run("Close");
    }
}
print("\Update:Saving "+outFileName );
pf++;
}else{
    print ("skipping already existing "+testname);
}
}
return pf;
}

//file "2. generate and clean up rois.txt"

/*
* Generate a polyline region of interest that follows the edge of tissue in the image
* The edge starts at an image's border, crosses the point farthest away from any border and exits on another border.
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* These ROIs are stored in a zip file within the folder where tiff files are found
* The macro recursively follows any folder from the chosen start path
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* Outline of the macro:
* Tissue is considered land, background is considered water. Try to find the shoreline.
* Assumption is that the edge of the tissue is near the middle of the image
* Therefore, any cracks, holes and other artifacts should mostly be disregarded when finding the shore
*
* If shoreline cannot be detected for any reason, draw a diagonal ROI, as a visual alert
*
* Failures occur and users must be aware of, or manually corrected if
* -foreground and background are too similar (noisy background, sporadic signal in foreground)
* -tissue has cracks touching the edge (shoreline enters and exits through the same image edge)
* -tissue has cracks, which will be followed, but which do not represent edge tissue
* -multiple parallel areas of low signal are present (the wrong edge may be chosen)
*
* Because of these shortcomings, resulting ROIs should be inspected manually.
* To this end, a built-in switch can be used, the functions can be called in two ways:
* -function argument = 1 -> tissue edge ROIs will be generated without user intervention
* Input: a folder with images containing tissue that touches at least one image edge
* Output: a zip file containing one ROI for each image

* -function argument = 0 -> ROIs will be loaded onto images for inspecition and correction
* Input: a folder with a zip file containing named ROIs, and correspondingly named image files
* (possible user interaction to amend or re-create the proper tissue edge)
* Output: a zip file containing one ROI for each image, indicating the tissue edge
*
* User intervention can take place in two ways after ROIs are loaded onto images
* -Rois can be re-drawn/re-created using the (already active) broken-line tool
* -Rois can be amended by deleting (alt-click) or relocating equidistant handles on the ROI
*
* If the user accepts the ROI, the file remains as is
* If the user amends a ROI the roi is resampled and the original ROI.zip overwritten
*
* User inspection and intervention is slow.

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* Re-examining is prevented, and inspection can be sped up by skipping folders
* Any folder name containing an asterix (*) will be skipped.
* Bug fix 20191018, identified potential bug in 'restore selection'
*/
requires("1.52p");
generate=1;//can be changed to 0 for inspection
inspect=1-generate;//complementary boolean value

var logLineNr = 0;//vertical indent in log file allows for concise log
print("\Clear");
if(nResults!=0){
    IJ.deleteRows(0,nResults); //any previous result should be wiped
}
startPath = getDirectory("Choose a Directory");
close("*");
pf = processFolder(startPath,generate);
//pf = processFolder(startPath,inspect);
print ("analysed "+pf+" files");

function processFolder(inPath,generateOrInspect){
    if(indexOf(inPath,"*")!=-1){//skip completed folders; the asterix can be, upon completion, manually added to a folder
name
        return 0;
    }
    generateLoad=generateOrInspect;
    // (=1)-> generate without user intervention
    // (=0)-> load, inspect, alter, accept and save
    processedFiles=0;
    arrayOfNames = getFileList( inPath );
    for(i=0;i<arrayOfNames.length;i++){
        thisName=arrayOfNames[i];//using a separate variable allows for inspection in debugger
        if(File.isDirectory(inPath+thisName)){ //enter a depth-first search
            print("\Update"+logLineNr+": processing "+thisName);//logLineNr allows selective clearing
            processedFiles = processedFiles + processFolder(inPath + thisName,generateLoad);
        }
    }
    folderName=File.getName(inPath);
    logLineNr++;
    print("\Update"+logLineNr+": processing "+folderName);//logLineNr allows selective clearing
    if(generateLoad ==1){ //generate outlines without further intervention
        processedFiles = processedFiles + generateRois(inPath);
        nrois=roiManager("count");
        if(checkProperRoiNames()!=0){ //Weird cases create exclamation marks in the ROI name
            debug;
        }
        if(nrois>0){
            if(File.exists(inPath+"roiSet.zip")){
                //do not overwrite but move to date stamped copy
                prevFile=inPath+"roiSet_before_"+ymdhs()+"zip";
                File.rename(outFile, prevFile);
                //or the more rude way: File.delete(inPath+"roiSet.zip");
            }
            if(checkProperRoiNames()!=0){
                //sometimes an exclamation mark is preceding the roi/file name
                debug;
            }
            roiManager("save",inPath+"roiSet.zip");
        }
    }
} else{ //load images and display for inspection with ROIs active and image contrast maximised
    processedFiles = processedFiles + loadRois(inPath);
}

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if (nImages() > 1){ //images have been found
    run("Tile");
    for(i=1;i<=nImages;i++){
        selectImage(i);
        run("Enhance Contrast", "saturated=0.35");
    }
    //ask user to accept the ROIs (with numbered begin-end points?) and store ROI's
    updateDisplay();
    accept= getBoolean("Do you need to change these outlines?\n"+thisName,"accept as is","change");

    if (accept == 1) {
        print("\\"Update"+logLineNr+":accepted " + inPath); // no need to re-save the roi
        logLineNr++;
        updateDisplay() ;
    }else{
        changeRois();//wait for the user to have modified ROIs and clicked OK
        nrois=roiManager("count");//if rois were found
        if(nrois>0){//overwrite the old ones
            outFile = inPath+"roiSet.zip";
            if(File.exists(outFile)){
                prevFile=inPath+"roiSet_before_"+ymdhs()+"zip";
                File.rename(outFile, prevFile);
                // or the more rude way: File.delete(outFileName);
            }
            roiManager("save",outFileName);
        }else{//no rois were found, delete the old roi set
            if(File.exists(inPath+"roiSet.zip"))File.delete(inPath+"roiSet.zip");
        }
    }
}
}

if(nResults!=0)IJ.deleteRows(0,nResults);
close("*");
return processedFiles;
}

function loadRois(path){
    //open the first encountered zip file in a folder and use that as ROI set
    nRois = 0;
    zipfiles=getFileList(path);
    if(zipfiles.length == 0){
        return 0;
    }
    i=0;found = 0;
    do{
        thisname=zipfiles[i];
        fpn=path+zipfiles[i];
        if(endsWith(fpn,"zip")){
            found = 1;
        }else{
            i++;
        }
    }while (i<zipfiles.length&&found==0);
    if(!endsWith(fpn,"zip")) return;
    print("\\"Clear");
    if(nResults!=0)IJ.deleteRows(0,nResults);
    close("*");
    if(roiManager("count")>0){
        roiManager("Deselect");
        roiManager("Delete");
    }
}

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        }
        //path = File.openDialog("Select a roi (zip) File");
        roiZip=File.getName(fpn);
        dir = replace(path,roiZip,"");//this leaves the directory separator in place

        roiManager("Open", fpn);
        for(iRoi=0;iRoi<roiManager("count");iRoi++){
            //get the name of the ROI, this is the same as the name of the image file the ROI belongs to
            imName=call("ij.plugin.frame.RoiManager.getName", iRoi);
            //test for names of images that we generated ourselves; exclude these usual suspects
            if(( !isOpen(imName)
                && indexOf(imName, "montage")==-1
                && indexOf(imName, "strip")==-1
                && indexOf(imName, "normalised")==-1
            ) !=0
            {
                //the image is not (yet) open so attempt to importimage by that name
                importImageName=dir+imName;
                if(File.exists(importImageName)){
                    open(importImageName);
                    selectImage(imName);
                    roiManager("select",iRoi);
                    Roi.getCoordinates(xpoints,ypoints);
                    makeSelection("freeline",xpoints,ypoints);
                    run("Interpolate", "interval=10 adjust"); //put in adjustment handles
                    nRois++;
                }else{
                    print("\\"Update"+logLineNr+": Failed to locate image " + importImageName);
                    logLineNr++;
                }
            }
        }
        return nRois;
    }

    function generateRois(path){
        //debug;
        if(roiManager("count")>0){
            roiManager("Deselect");
            roiManager("Delete");
        }
        nRois = 0;
        files=getFileList( path );
        for(i=0;i<files.length;i++){
            thisName=files[i];
            if( indexOf(files[i],"tif")!=-1
                && indexOf(files[i],"Snapshot")==-1
                && indexOf(files[i],"strip")==-1
                && indexOf(files[i],"montage")==-1
            ){//only process Mark_and_find files
                open(path+files[i]);
                inImgID=getImageID();
                findCoastline(inImgID);
                nRois=roiManager("count");
                print(nRois+" rois found ; i= "+i);
            }
        }
        if(nRois == 0 ) {
            //sometimes things go wrong, then offer debug option or fail silently
            //debug;
        }
    }
}

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return nRois;
}

function changeRois(){
    //for every ROI in manager, get the image name, set roi, set ROI as editable
    // this has been done already if changeROIs() is called after loading images and ROIs
    setTool("polyline");
    //    wait for changes to be complete
   waitForUser("Change ROIs to your satisfaction\nRemember to work from bio top to bio bottom\nThen click OK");
    imagesTitlesList = getList("image.titles");
    nImgs=imagesTitlesList.length; //now walk all open images
    for(iImg=0;iImg<nImgs;iImg++){
        imTitle=imagesTitlesList[iImg];
        selectImage(imTitle);//get their title
        st=selectionType();
        if(st==6 || st == 7){
            for(iRoi=0;iRoi<roiManager("count");iRoi++){
                imName=call("ij.plugin.frame.RoiManager.getName", iRoi);
                if(imName==imTitle){
                    //you can't just call 'update' as the roi manager is not aware of the new coordinates
                    //first harvest the current roi (this differs from the roiManager's current Roi!!) from the image
                    Roi.getCoordinates(xpoints,ypoints);
                    //select iRoi in roimanager to amend
                    roiManager("select",iRoi);
                    // re-create roi in image so roiManager is aware of changes
                    makeSelection("freeline",xpoints,ypoints);
                    //then do update the roi in the roiManager's list
                    roiManager("update");
                }
            }
        }
    }
    return;
}

function findCoastline(imgID){
    getDimensions(width, height, channels, slices, frames);
    inTitle=getTitle();
    //Tissue in the image covers at least 30% of the area.
    aPart = 0.3 * width * height;
    run("Select All");
    run("Duplicate...", "title=coastline");//keep origial intensity data and work on copy
    dupID=getImageID();
    run ("Enhance Contrast", "saturated=0.35");//some images have very low signal
    run("Apply LUT");//now image is bright, also to the eye. Data is no longer quantitative
    run("Set Scale...", "distance=0 known=0 pixel=1 unit=pixel");//remove Åµm scale, eventually we want pixels anyway
    rotateNeed=0;//might be changed to 1 by code further down
    run("Gaussian Blur...", "sigma=2");//get a global intensity so small features disappear
    setAutoThreshold("Default dark");
    setOption("BlackBackground", true);
    run("Convert to Mask");
    run("Fill Holes");//remove any blobs and blebs in both the tissue...
    run("Invert");
    run("Fill Holes");//...and in the background
    run("Invert");

    run("Set Measurements...", "area mean standard modal min centroid center bounding shape integrated skewness
area_fraction limit redirect=None decimal=5");
    setAutoThreshold("Default dark");
    List.setMeasurements;
    xm=List.getValue("XM");//get the center of mass of what is hopefully the tissue
    ym=List.getValue("YM");
    doWand(xm,ym);//create a ROI around this
}

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run("Measure");
//the following code tries to figure out if selection is background or tissue
//and swaps found outlines if necessary
amean=getResult("Mean");//the current selection's mean
aarea=getResult("Area");
selectImage(imgID);//mesure in the original image
run("Restore Selection");//re-create the same area in the original image
run("Measure");
m1=getResult("Mean");
run("Make Inverse");
run("Measure");
m2=getResult("Mean");
if(m2<m1){//try alternative
    run("Make Inverse");
}
selectImage(dupID);//continue to work with the duplicate.

//we already have a selection present here //run("Restore Selection");
if(m2<m1){//so also have the inverse in the duplicate, if necessary.
    run("Make Inverse");
}

//aarea should now delineate tissue and run along the 'beach'
//amean should now be 255
//we are not interested in the entire ROI enclosing the tissue
//but only the area that touches the outer edge of the tissue
//
//find the roi coordinates farthest away from edge as
//this is a good starting point to find the shore line-part of the entire ROI
run("Interpolate", "interval=1");//walk pixel by pixel
Roi.getCoordinates(xpoints, ypoints);
dmax=0;//maximum distance to all edges
nmax=0;//ordinal of coordinate that is farthest away from all edges

for(i=0;i<xpoints.length;i++){
    x=xpoints[i];
    y=ypoints[i];
    makePoint(x, y, "cross");//wait(delay); //if you want to SEE it happening, remove first two slashes
    dx=min(x,width-x);//x-distance away from edges
    dy=min(y,height-y);//y-distance away from edges
    farthest=min(dx,dy);//should also check for convexity here?
    if(farthest>dmax){//the current pixel is further away, keep this info
        nmax=i;
        dmax=farthest;
    }
}
makeOval(xpoints[nmax]-2,ypoints[nmax]-2,5,5);//indicate the point found as the farthest from any image side
//waitForUser("Farthest");//uncomment if you want to SEE it happening
nmid=nmax;
i=nmid+1;//mod xpoints.length; go and inspect the next point of the (closed contour) ROI.
if(i==xpoints.length){i=0;}
do{ //ordinally walk forward in coordinates, starting at the coordinate farthest away from any image edge,
    //till we reach the image border
    x=xpoints[i];
    y=ypoints[i];
    makePoint(x, y, "cross");//wait(delay);
    i=(i+1);
    if(i==xpoints.length){//oops, the beach is not [first.start_____end..last] but [first____end...start____last]
        i=0;
        rotateNeed=1;//rotating is pushing out values on one side, moving them in on the other side of the array
    }
}

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}while(i<xpoints.length && x>0 && y>0 && x<width-1 && y<height-1 && i!=nmax);//rounding gives x=-0.00
which is false for x==0
// that is: while we have not reached the end of the array,
//do not hit a wall left or right(x=0 or x=width-1)
//or top or bottom (y=0 or y=height-1)
//makeOval(x-2,y-2,5,5);//uncomment if you want to SEE it happening
//waitForUser("Forward");//uncomment if you want to SEE it happening
end=i;
if(rotateNeed!=0){
    //from the polygon ROI we have selected part of it that describes the coastline
    //index i now indicates how far the coastline runs; from 0-i and from ?? to nmax
    //we rotate the array so the last point of the coastline is the last point of the array.
    //elements that are 'rotated out' at the end, enter in the head of the array
    xpoints=Array.rotate(xpoints,-i);
    ypoints=Array.rotate(ypoints,-i);
    nmax=nmax-i;
    end=xpoints.length-1;
}
else{
    end=i;
}
i=nmax;
//
do{//walk backward in coordinates till we reach the image border
    i=(i-1);
    if(i== -1){//oops, we backwar we ran out of the front of the array
        i=xpoints.length -1;//so we enter in the end of the array
    }
    x=xpoints[i];
    y=ypoints[i];
    print("\Update"+logLineNr+":x = "+x+" y = "+y+" i = "+i);
    makePoint(x, y, "cross");//wait(2);
    //if(i==0) debug;//complex expression; save in variable for debugging purposes:
    finished=!((i<xpoints.length && x>0 && y>0 && x<width-1 && y<height-1 && i!=nmid);
}
while(!finished);

makeOval(x-2,y-2,5,5);
//waitForUser("Backward");//if you want to SEE it happening halt until the user has viewed the image

start=i;

//nmin is first coordinate nearest to edge of image and at start of coastline, nmax the last of the coastline
if(start>end){
    ror=xpoints.length-start;//rotate over right distance
    Array.rotate(xpoints,ror);//elements that shift out right, shift in left.
    Array.rotate(ypoints,ror);
    start=0; end=end+ror;
}
s=min(start,end)+1;
e=max(start,end)-1;
makeArrow(xpoints[s],ypoints[s],xpoints[e],ypoints[e],"notched"); //quicklook visualisation
//waitForUser("Direction");//uncomment if you want to SEE the direction the beach was travelled
xpoints=Array.slice(xpoints,s,e);
ypoints=Array.slice(ypoints,s,e);
makeSelection("freeline",xpoints,ypoints);//the actual visualisation of the beach
//
if(xpoints.length < 2){//generate diagonal if no roi has been found.
    makeLine(0, 0, width/2, height/2,width,height);
    //waitForUser("No beach");//uncomment if you want to SEE in case no beach was found
}
//store the shoreline ROI in the roiManager and name it after the image it was obtained from

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run("Interpolate", "interval=5 smooth adjust");//iron out small deviations
roiManager("add");
roiManager("select",roiManager("count")-1);
roiManager("rename",inTitle);
Roi.getCoordinates(xpoints,ypoints);
close;
makeSelection("freeline",xpoints,ypoints);//draw the outline in the original image
return;
}
function checkProperRoiNames(){
//if an exclamation mark or a dash is present in any ROI name
nRois=roiManager("count");
OK=0;
for(i=0;i<nRois;i++){
    imName=call("ij.plugin.frame.RoiManager.getName", i);
    if(indexOf(imName,"!")!=-1 || indexOf(imName,"-")!=-1){
        print("Roi name of roi number "+i+" contains ! or - ");
        return 1;
    }
}
return 0;
}

function min(a,b){
    if(a>b) return b; else return a;
}
function max(a,b){
    if(a<b) return b; else return a;
}
function abs(a){
    if(a<0) return a*-1; else return a;
}
function ymdhs(){
    getDateAndTime(year, month, dayOfWeek, dayOfMonth, hour, minute, second, msec);
    yes=IJ.pad(year,4);
    mos=IJ.pad(month,2);
    das=IJ.pad(dayOfMonth,2);
    hos=IJ.pad(hour,2);
    mis=IJ.pad(minute,2);
    ses=IJ.pad(second,2);
    ymdhsString=yes+mos+das+" "+hos+"."+mis+"."+ses;
    return ymdhsString;
}
// file "3. straighten ROIs.txt"
/* The current macro is the third (3.) step in the process of measuring brain tissue
 * Input:
 * -a roiSet.zip file containing ROIs
 * -image files containing quantitative fluorescent signal
 * -a text file containing information on the relative image locations
 *
 * Output:
 * - strip files, one strip per image, containing the straightened tissue edge stripe
 * - a montage, containing all pixels in a stripHeight-pixel wide neighbourhood of the tissue edge
 * - a scaled back image of 1000 and of 100 pixel wide, stripHeight pixels high
 * - numeric measurements representing the total fluorescence in the 0-100% length of the tissue edge
 *
 * Method
 * Non-overlapping mosaÃ¢c images of brain tissue were recorded, for details see macro (1.)
 * Foreground and background of each recorded image was found using a separate macro (2.)
 *
 * The placement of the tissue section on the object glass necessitated a certain direction of recording

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- \* The edge of the tissue was followed either from Top to bottom or Bottom to top
- \* Likewise, Left to right or Right to left indicates direction of recording
- \* The directionality of the set of tiles was indicated by one of these capital four letters.
- \* The directionality string contains the appropriate set from the letters BLRT, max length 4.
- \* The letters indicating the order of borders to inspect in the image for a border-crossing of tissue edge
- \*
- \* For each image of the mosaic the tissue border was outlined by a Region Of Interest (ROI)
- \* this was done in the macro in file "2. generate and clean up rois"
- \* In the current macro, these ROIs are straightened into strips, one strip per image
- \* Strips are annealed to one long strip, the montage image
- \* Pixels in the montage image representing 0-100% of the tissue edge found in the images.
- \* Perpendicular, on either side of the tissue edge, 40 pixels were taken into consideration
- \*
- \* From the resulting arbitrary wide and stripHeight pixels high montage, fluorescence was measured
- \*
- \* Last change 20190930 16:59
- \*
- \*/

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var debugger=false;//set to true for inspection of code execution
var stripHeight = 80;//column of pixels perpendicular to the tissue edge, area that is extracted into strips
//strip is divided into four sections, each stripHeight/4 high. Two of them do not contain tissue, the other two do.
//Because cells are polarised, the nuclei will be far furhter from tissue edge, so the Blue channel is sampled 40 pixel-wide
//(green) lipid droplets are closer to edge, there only 20 pixel wide would do. For now, we consider a 40-wide pixel column.

//Select the root folder of files to process
directionsFile=File.openDialog("Select the file sampledirections.txt");
//get folderlist
//open directionality file
//debugging runs into the Main function automatically.
macro "Main"{
//    setBatchMode(true);//for faster execution, images will not be updated during processing
    g=Main("");
    setBatchMode(false);//we want to see the execution of the application for blue channel images
    b=Main("blue/");
    setBatchMode(false);
    if(g!=b){//g should be equal to b
        showMessage("Found "+g+" green edges and "+b+" blue edges");
    }
}
macro "Open Zipped Rois"{
close("*");print("\Clear");
if(roiManager("count")!=0){roiManager("deselect");roiManager("delete");}
path = File.openDialog("Select a roi (zip) File");
openRoiZipImages(path,"",true);
run("Tile");
}

function Main(blue){
fn=File.getName(directionsFile);
path=replace(directionsFile,fn,"");
if(!File.exists(directionsFile)){
    return;//without information on the direction of the border we can't reconstruct
}
directions = File.openAsString(directionsFile);
lines = split(directions,"\n");
//loop through directionality list
for(lineNo=0;lineNo<lines.length;lineNo++){

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line = lines[lineNo];
chunks = split(line, "\t");
fileNamePart = chunks[0];
direction = chunks[1];
//loop through folders in folder list
arrayOfNames = getFileList(path );

for(i=0;i<arrayOfNames.length;i++){
    thisName=arrayOfNames[i];
    print("Analysing "+ thisName);
    //if directionality name is in folder name
    partInFile=indexOf(thisName,fileNamePart);
    if(File.isDirectory(path+thisName) && partInFile>-1){
        if(nResults!=0)IJ.deleteRows(0,nResults);//start with clean Results slate
        close("*");//close any remaining open images
        if(roiManager("count")>0){//remove any remaining ROIs in the manager
            roiManager("Deselect");
            roiManager("Delete");
        }
        //let zip file open all associated images and activate their rois
        //will disable the selection of images later on so do not use setBatchMode(true);
        pf=processZipfile(path + thisName ,blue );
        if(nImages()!0){
            run("Tile");//show an overview of all images with their ROI
            processedFiles = processedFiles + pf;
            //loop through roi names (they equal (now opened) image window names!)
            totalWidth = 0;
            nRois=roiManager("count");
            stripIDs=newArray(nRois);//bookkeeping for fast access of images
            stripWidths = newArray(nRois)//bookkeeping for total width and starting positions
            for(roiNr = 0; roiNr<nRois;roiNr++){
                imgName=call("ij.plugin.frame.RoiManager.getName", roiNr);//get image title from ROI
name
                selectImage(imgName);//select the appropriate image
                roiManager("select",roiNr);//get its ROI into the image display
                run("Interpolate", "interval=1");//also with sparse ROIs we need to pick up all points.
                myFlip=flipNeeded(direction,roiNr); //see function for explanation
                //straighten curved ROIs into a straight strip(e) of pixels
                stripName = "strip_" + IJ.pad(stripHeight,2) + "-" + IJ.pad(roiNr+1,2)+".tif";
                run("Properties...", " width="+stripHeight);//set line width to desired size
                run("Straighten...", "line="+stripHeight+" title="+stripName);
                //flip if necessary
                if(myFlip!=0){
                    run("Flip Horizontally");
                }
                stripIDs[roiNr]=getImageID();//for numeric reference
                //save roi at full size with name stripX, where X is [01,..]
                setOption("ScaleConversions", false);//we don't want scaling of grey values
                run("8-bit");//we want raw 8-bit values!
                fn=path+thisName+blue+stripName;
                saveAs("Tiff", fn);
                getDimensions(width, height, channels, slices, frames);
                //(keep roi open)
                stripWidths[roiNr] = width;
                totalWidth = totalWidth + width;
            }
            //anneal all rois to one big strip @height=stripHeight
            newImage("strip", "8-bit black", totalWidth, stripHeight, 1);
            montageID=getImageID();
            leftPos=0;
        }
    }
}

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        for(stripNr = 0;stripNr<nRois;stripNr++){
            //select strip
            selectImage(stripIDs[stripNr]);
            run("Select All");
            run("Copy");
            //select montage
            selectImage(montageID);
            //create paste rectangle
            sw=stripWidths[stripNr];
            makeRectangle(leftPos,0,sw,height);
            run("Paste");
            leftPos=leftPos + sw;
        }
        //save annealed image
        thisUName = replace(thisName,"/","_");
        fn = thisName + blue+ thisUName + "montage_" + IJ.pad(stripHeight,2) + ".tif";
        fn = path + fn;
        saveAs("Tiff",fn);
    }
}
close("*");
return 0;
}

function processZipfile(inPath,blue){
    processedFiles=0;
    arrayOfNames = getFileList( inPath );
    for(i=0;i<arrayOfNames.length;i++){
        thisName = arrayOfNames[i];
        if(endsWith(thisName,"roiSet.zip")){
            //make total intensity fluorescence in the column
            //save as 1000 values
            // use the sum of fluorescence per 1/100 and per 1/1000 of the total length of the edges.
            processName = inPath + thisName; //shows up in Debug window
            processedFiles = processedFiles + openRoiZipImages(processName,blue,0);
            a=5;//debugger decoy, useless assignment needed for variable inspection during single stepping
            //now all images belonging to this roiManager zip file are open with the ROIs selected
        }
    }
    return 1;
}

function openRoiZipImages(path,blue,makeHandles){
    //open a zip file (point at the zip file using Finder dialog)
    //zip file contains rois, one roi per image, with roi name is image(file) name
    //open every image by name, in same folder as zip file, name taken from roiManager entry

    roiZip=File.getName(path);
    dir = replace(path,roiZip,"");//this leaves the directory separator in place
    roiManager("Open", path);
    for(iRoi=0;iRoi<roiManager("count");iRoi++){
        imName=call("ij.plugin.frame.RoiManager.getName", iRoi);
        if(!isOpen(imName)){
            //attempt to importimage by that name
            importImageName=dir+blue+imName;
            if(File.exists(importImageName)){
                open(importImageName);
                selectImage(imName);
                roiManager("select",iRoi);
                if(makeHandles){//convert the possible fine grained, or very coarse ROI to smooth handles

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        Roi.getCoordinates(xpoints,ypoints);
        makeSelection("freeline",xpoints,ypoints);
        run("Interpolate", "interval=10 adjust"); //put in adjustment handles
    }
    run("Enhance Contrast", "saturated=0.35");//in case of faint images
}
}

return 1; //one zip file processed
}

function flipNeeded(direction,roiNr){
    Roi.getCoordinates(xpts,ypts);
    getDimensions(width, height, channels, slices, frames);
    dtet = 10;//distance-to-edge tolerance
    l=xpts.length-1;//last coordinate
    determined = false;
    index = 0;
    sc=0;
    toofar=false;
    direction = toUpperCase(direction);
    do{
        pd = substring(direction,index,index+1);//primary direction
        if( pd == "T"){
            if(ypts[0]<ypts[l] ){ //y[0] is nearest tot top
                if(ypts[0] < dtet) { //y[0] is close enough to image's top edge
                    sc = 0;
                    determined = true;
                }else{//not close enough, try again
                    toofar=true;
                }
            }else{ //ypts[l] is close to the top
                if(ypts[l] < dtet) { //y[l] is close enough to image's top edge
                    sc = 1;
                    determined = true;
                }else{//not close enough, try again
                    toofar=true;
                }
            }
        }
        if(pd == "B"){
            if(ypts[0]>ypts[l] ){ //y[0] is nearest tot bottom
                if(ypts[0] > (height - dtet)) { //y[0] is close enough to image's bottom edge
                    sc = 0;
                    determined = true;
                }else{//not close enough, try again
                    toofar=true;
                }
            }else{ //ypts[l] is close to the bottom
                if(ypts[l] > (height - dtet)) { //y[l] is close enough to image's bottom edge
                    sc = 1;
                    determined = true;
                }else{//not close enough, try again
                    toofar=true;
                }
            }
        }
        if(pd == "L"){
            if(xpts[0] < xpts[l] ){ //x[0] is nearest tot left edge
                if(xpts[0] < dtet) { //y[0] is close enough to image's left edge
                    sc = 0;
                    determined = true;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

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        }else{//not close enough, try again
            toofar=true;
        }
    }else{ //xpts[l] is nearest to the left edge
        if(xpts[l] < dtet) { //x[l] is close enough to image's left edge
            sc = 1;
            determined = true;
        }else{//not close enough, try again
            toofar=true;
        }
    }
}

if(pd == "R"){
    if(xpts[0] > xpts[l] ){ //x[0] is nearest tot right edge
        if(xpts[0] > (width - dtet)) { //y[0] is close enough to image's right edge
            sc = 0;
            determined = true;
        }else{//not close enough, try again
            toofar=true;
        }
    }else{ //xpts[l] is nearest to the left edge
        if(xpts[l] > (width - dtet)) { //x[l] is close enough to image's rightt edge
            sc = 1;
            determined = true;
        }else{//not close enough, try again
            toofar=true;
        }
    }
}
index++;
}

}while(index < lengthOf(direction) && determined == false);
if(!determined && toofar){
    //use [0] or [l] based on first character of direction, disregard distance to edge
    pd = substring(direction,0,1);flipstring = "flip the direction";flip=0;
    if(pd == "T"){if(ypts[0]<ypts[l])flip = 0;else flip = 1;}
    if(pd == "B"){if(ypts[0]>ypts[l])flip = 0;else flip = 1;}
    if(pd == "L"){if(xpts[0]<xpts[l])flip = 0;else flip = 1;}
    if(pd == "R"){if(xpts[0]>xpts[l])flip = 0;else flip = 1;}
    if(flip ==1)flipstring = "not "+flipstring;
    //waitForUser("far away","based on "+pd+" we chose to "+flipstring);
    return flip * l;
}
return sc != 0;
}

//analyse strips.txt
requires("1.52p");
var debugger=true;

/* Last change 20190930 11:25
 * written by a.jonker@amsterdamumc.nl
 *
 * Input:
 * image representing (green) fluorescent lipid droplets
 * image representing (blue) nuclear signal
 * Output: csv file
 *
 * Images contain straightened ROIs with 4 zones of equal size (usually 10 pixels high, arbitrary wide)
 * Images blue and green contain in 4 zones respectively tissue background, droplet signal, background: 1 near and 1 far from tissue edge
 * Analyse Strips macro detects if tissue is in upper or lower part.

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* Green signal in tissue background is considered background, mean is measured and used as lower threshold in tissue
edge.
* Same procedure is followed for measuring blue tissue background and tissue edge.
* Results of threshold value, net signal, and area (expressed in pixels) are collected for green and blue.
* Measurement results are saved to Excel-readable comma separated file
*
* For visual inspection, the variable 'debugger' can be set to 'true', after which the macro is executed slowly
* If debugger is set to false, processing takes a few minutes.
*
*
*/

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macro "Analyse Strips"{
    close("*");
    pattern = "montage_80.tif";//later: montage _+IJ.pad(stripHeight,2);
    normaliseTo=100;
    startPath = getDirectory("Choose a Directory");
    nFiles=analyseStrips(startPath,pattern);
    print("Processed "+nFiles+" files");
}

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function analyseStrips(path,pat){
    arrayOfNames = getFileList(path );
    nSubstrips=4;
    processedFiles=0;
    substripVals=newArray(nSubstrips);
    run("Set Measurements...", "mean modal min integrated limit redirect=None decimal=0");
    for(i=0;i<arrayOfNames.length;i++){
        thisName=arrayOfNames[i];
        if(File.isDirectory(path+thisName) && indexOf(thisName,"blue")==-1){
            processedFiles = processedFiles + analyseStrips(path + thisName,pat);
        }
    }
    for(iNames=0;iNames<arrayOfNames.length;iNames++){
        thisName=arrayOfNames[iNames];
        updateResults();
        blueDaughter=path+"blue/"+thisName;
        parentName=File.getName(path);
        if(indexOf(thisName,pat)!= -1 && indexOf(thisName,".tif")!=-1 && File.exists(blueDaughter)){
            print("\Clear");
            print("\Update0:processing " + parentName);
            run("Clear Results");
            close("*");
            //open strip
            pn="blue/"+thisName;
            pn=path+pn;
            open(pn);
            blueImageID=getImageID();
            rename("Blue");
            run("Select All");
            run("Duplicate...", "title=bluegauss"); //if we can't make nice outlines
            dupGauss=getImageID();
            getDimensions(width, height, channels, slices, frames);
            //these arrays hold coordinates for a polyLine ROI that separates cells in foreground from tissue background
            var edgeArrayY = newArray(width);//add 2 for corners of enclosed area
            var edgeArrayX = newArray(width);

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var sigAreaArray = newArray(width); //area for blue and green is the same.
var blueSigValueArray = newArray(width); //background area is height/2 -SigArea
var bgAreaArray = newArray(width); //is not strictly necessary, can be calculated from sigAreaArray
var blueBgValueArray = newArray(width);

var greenSigValueArray = newArray(width); //area is same as blue
var greenBgValueArray = newArray(width); //area is same as blue

open(path+thisName);
greenImageID=getImageID();
rename("Green");
run("Tile");
substripHeight = height / nSubstrips;
//measure fat droplet strip
selectImage(greenImageID); //best find tissue using green channel
for(iStrips=0;iStrips<nSubstrips;iStrips++){
    makeRectangle(0,substripHeight*iStrips,width,substripHeight);
    meanVal=getValue("Mean");
    substripVals[iStrips]=meanVal;

}

//four substrips: either upper 2 or lower 2 represent the tissue
topVal = substripVals[0]+substripVals[1];
bottomVal = substripVals[2]+substripVals[3];
halfHeight = height/2;
yStart=halfHeight;
//decide if tissue is in the upper half or lower half of the image
//if in the lower half, flip lower and top half
if(topVal < bottomVal){ //tissue is in the lower part, flip that part vertical, so tissue is in upper part
    selectImage(greenImageID);
    run("Select All");
    run("Flip Vertically");

    selectImage(blueImageID);
    run("Select All");
    run("Flip Vertically");

    selectImage(dupGauss);
    run("Select All");
    run("Flip Vertically");
}

//the tissue edge is near the middle of the image.
//flip top half (containing tissue now) so tissue edge is at top of image; easier for for-loops.

selectImage(greenImageID);
makeRectangle(0,0,width,height/2);
run("Flip Vertically");

selectImage(blueImageID);
makeRectangle(0,0,width,height/2);
run("Flip Vertically");

selectImage(dupGauss);
makeRectangle(0,0,width,height/2);
run("Flip Vertically");

//first find the division line based on the blue signal. (Then measure foreground and background signals in both original images.)
//as selectImageID is very slow, don't measure while detecting the division line.
selectImage(dupGauss);

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setBatchMode(true);
for(x = 0; x < width; x++){//walk the strip
    makeRectangle(x,0,1,halfHeight);
    max=getValue("Max");//highest value of the current strip
    halfMax=max/2;
    pv=0; //pixel value
    y=-1; //want increment in loop, want exit value to be pointing at half max location
    do{//find max position of column, there might be more?
        y++;
        pv = getPixel(x,y);

    }while(y < halfHeight && pv < max);
    while(y < halfHeight && pv > halfMax){ //walk downhill till half max in column
        y++;
        pv = getPixel(x,y);
    }
    //y points to the first position of the background
    //as gathered from the blue channel (= DNA intensity)
    edgeArrayY[x] = y-1; //the foreground was left already, y points to first pixel of background, so edge
}

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    while (y < halfHeight){//while loop needs to be here, if y == halfHeight skip this loop
        //walk down hill until end of image
        pv = getPixel(x,y);
        y++;
    }
    edgeArrayX[x]=x;
}

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for(x = 0; x < width; x++){//set ROI to shape in original image
    sigAreaArray[x] = edgeArrayY[x];//easiest moment to extract signal area
    if(topVal > bottomVal){//flip coordinates of signal rectangle wrt. top half
        edgeArrayY[x] = halfHeight - edgeArrayY[x];
    }else{//flip coordinates of signal rectangle wrt. bottom half
        edgeArrayY[x] = halfHeight + edgeArrayY[x];
    }
    edgeArrayX[x]=x;
}

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selectImage(blueImageID);

//warning: using sigArea!

makeSelection("polyline",edgeArrayX,sigAreaArray);

//warning: used sigArea!

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for(x = 0; x < width; x++){//set ROI to shape of original image
    makeRectangle(x,sigAreaArray[x],1,halfHeight-sigAreaArray[x]);
    blueBgValue=getValue("IntDen");
    blueBgValueArray[x] = blueBgValue;
}

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    makeRectangle(x,0,1,sigAreaArray[x]);
    blueSigValue=getValue("IntDen");
    blueSigValueArray [x] = blueSigValue;
}

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selectImage(greenImageID);

for(x = 0; x < width; x++){//set ROI to shape of original image

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    makeRectangle(x,sigAreaArray[x],1,halfHeight-sigAreaArray[x]);
    greenBgValue=getValue("IntDen");
    greenBgValueArray[x] = greenBgValue;
}

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makeRectangle(x,0,1,sigAreaArray[x]);

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        greenSigVal=getValue("IntDen");
        greenSigValueArray[x] = greenSigVal;
    }
    if(debugger){setBatchMode(false);debug;}

    //flip back tissue edge to middle of image, so it resembles original again
    selectImage(greenImageID);
    makeRectangle(0,0,width,height/2);
    run("Flip Vertically");

    selectImage(blueImageID);
    makeRectangle(0,0,width,height/2);
    run("Flip Vertically");

    selectImage(dupGauss);
    makeRectangle(0,0,width,height/2);
    run("Flip Vertically");
    //if tissue was in lower half of image, restore by flipping entire image vertically
    if(topVal < bottomVal){ //tissue is in the lower part, flip that part vertical, so tissue is in upper part
        selectImage(greenImageID);
        run("Select All");
        run("Flip Vertically");

        selectImage(blueImageID);
        run("Select All");
        run("Flip Vertically");

        selectImage(dupGauss);
        run("Select All");
        run("Flip Vertically");
    }
    //draw edge of signal
    selectImage(blueImageID);
    makeSelection("polyline",edgeArrayX,edgeArrayY);
    selectImage(greenImageID);
    makeSelection("polyline",edgeArrayX,edgeArrayY);
    if(roiManager("count")>0){
        roiManager("Deselect");
        roiManager("Delete");
    }
    parent = File.getName(path);
    roiManager("add");
    roiManager("select",roiManager("count")-1);
    roiManager("rename",parent);

    roiManager("save",path+parent+"edge.roi");

fn = parent + "_normalised_"+greenSigValueArray.length+".csv";fn = path + fn;
l=greenSigValueArray.length;

reportResults(fn,greenSigValueArray,greenBgValueArray,blueSigValueArray,blueBgValueArray,sigAreaArray,l);
fn = parent + "_normalised_""+100"+".csv";fn = path + fn;

reportResults(fn,greenSigValueArray,greenBgValueArray,blueSigValueArray,blueBgValueArray,sigAreaArray,100);
fn = parent + "_normalised_""+10"+".csv";fn = path + fn;

reportResults(fn,greenSigValueArray,greenBgValueArray,blueSigValueArray,blueBgValueArray,sigAreaArray,10);
close("*/");
processedFiles++;
}

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}

return processedFiles;
}

function reportResults(pfn,gs,gb,bs,bb,sa,normaliser){
    chunk = floor(gs.length/normaliser);counter = 0;
    gsx=0;gbx=0;bbx=0;sax=0;bsx=0;//running counters for normalising to normaliser values in output
    run("Clear Results");
    row = 0;
    for(x=0;x<gs.length;x++){
        gsx=gsx+gs[x];
        gbx=gbx+gb[x];
        bbx=bbx+bb[x];
        sax=sax+sa[x];
        bsx=bsx+bs[x];
        counter++;
        if(counter >= chunk){
            setResult("Green Signal",row,gsx);
            setResult("Green Background",row,gbx);
            setResult("Blue Background",row,bbx);
            setResult("Signal Area",row,sax);
            setResult("Blue Signal",row,bsx);
            updateResults();
            counter = 0;gsx=0;gbx=0;bbx=0;sax=0;bsx=0;
            row++;
        }
    }
}

//export results
saveAs("results", pfn);

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Supplementary Table. Clinico-pathological data of younger subjects.

NBB Number	Sex	Age	Braak	PM	BMI	Cause of death and clinical diagnosis
1994-040	m	20	0	8.0	25	Heart failure, B cell lymphoma, viral pneumonia
2001-009	f	21	/	19.5	/	Myocard infart
1991-005	m	31	/	34	23	Necrotic tumor, adenocarcinoma
1984-026	f	33	/	24.75	22	Anoxia, lung oedema, tracheobronchitis, brain death
1980-006	f	43	/	50	/	Renal metastatic carcinoma
1994-118	m	49	0	/	20	Sepsis (E.coli), coloncarcinoma with metastasis
2011-069	m	49	0	6.5	24	Legal euthanasia, Hodgkin's lymphoma, urolithiasis
1982-008	f	50	/	52.75	23	Coma; bronchopneumonia, carcinoma
1998-091	f	50	0	41	19	Legal euthanasia, metastatic Pancoust tumor





