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Intraoperative optical imaging for neurosurgery guidance

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Context

- Cerebral tumor resection operation
- Neurosurgery with awake patients or patients under general anesthesia

Identification of functional brain areas

- Guide the surgical gesture
- Optimize tumor resection operation
- Avoid any cognitive impairments

Neurosurgical operation at Hospices Civils de Lyon

Glioma resection

- Resection as complete as possible
- Distinguish low density tumor margin from healthy tissue



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5-ALA induced PpIX fluorescence guided surgery of gliomas













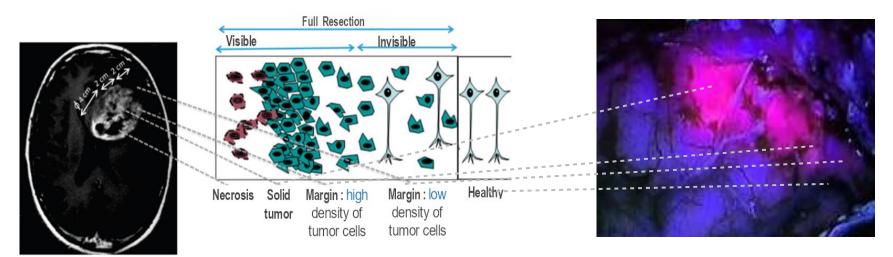




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Glioma identification during neurosurgery



Schematic of infiltration in high grade gliomas (HGG) [1]

Fluorescence of PpIX induced by 5-ALA in high grade glioma [2]

50 % primitive tumors of Central Nervous System; High-grade glioma mean survival rate: 14 months

Distinguish low density tumour margin from healthy tissue for a resection as complete as possible

Clinical drawbacks

Gold standard: fluorescence microscopy (5-ALA induced PPIX) is limited in sensitivity.

^[1] L. Alston, et al., SPIE Proc. 10411, 2017



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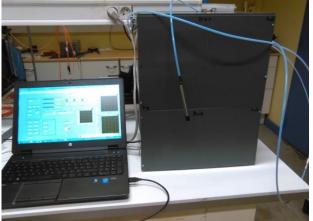
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Intraoperative fluorescence spectroscopy set up in vivo clinical study using 5-ALA induced Protoporphyrin IX fluorescence

- Clinical protocol approved by the ANSM and by ethical committee .
- Inclusion of 10 patients : 6 high grade glioma (HGG) and 4 low grade glioma (LGG)







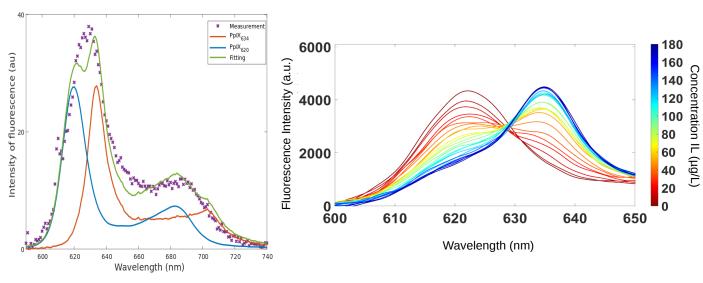


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Fluorescence Spectral Shape Analysis - « Blue shifted » PpIX spectrum in margins





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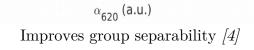
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0.4

Two fluorescing states of PpIX [2]

Fluorescent spectra of PpIX depends on micro-environment [3]



0.8

0.6

Expert model

 $S(\lambda)$ - Autofluorescence = α_{620} [PpIX₆₂₀] $S_{620}(\lambda) + \alpha_{634}$ [PpIX₆₃₄] $S_{634}(\lambda)$

- [2] Montcel et al. Biomed. Opt. Express, 4(4):548–558, Apr 2013
- [3] L. Alston, at al., Journal of Biomedical Optics, 23(9), 097002, 2018
- 4] L. Alston et al. Biomed. Opt. Express, 10(5):2478–2492, May 2019.

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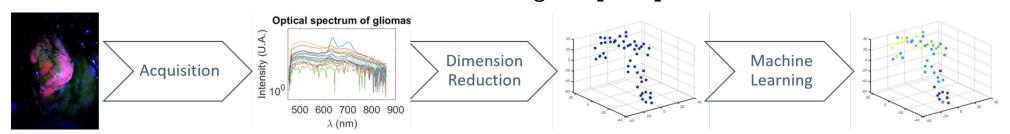


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Data driven biomarker model - Machine Learning of PpIX spectra

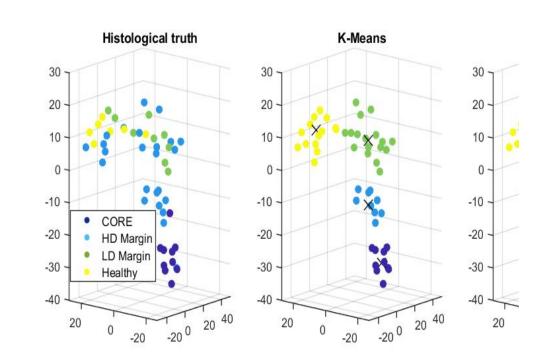


Dimension reduction: T-SNE

Unsupervised classification: k-Means

Results:

- Data driven model confirms expert based biomarker:
 - Predominance of PpIX 634 peak
 - Autofluorescence
 - Diagnostic relevance of blue shift
- Clusters aligned along with the ordinal severity of gliomas



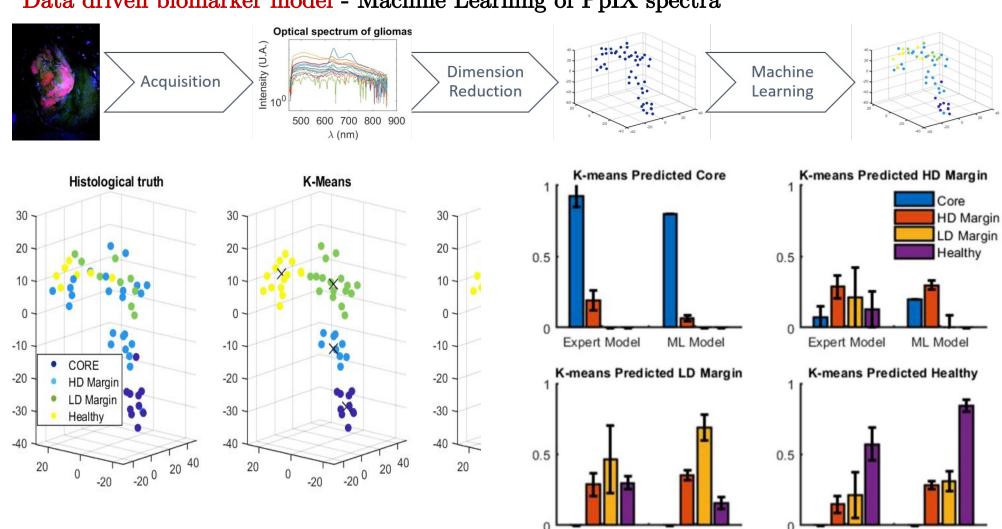


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ML Model

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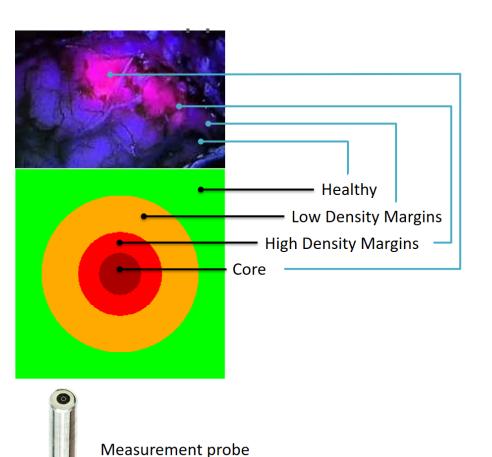
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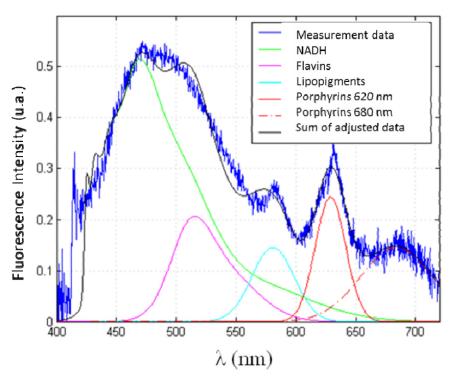


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Estimation of 5-ALA-induced PpIX using multiple excitations wavelength – A phantom study





Fluorescent spectrum acquired at 405 nm and five fluorophores [5]

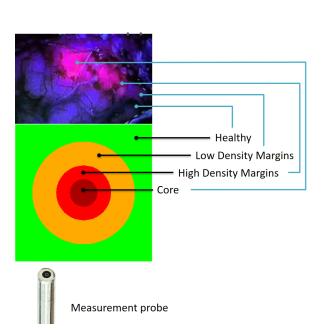
Evaluate the effect of auto-fluorescence crosstalks on PpIX fluorescence estimation

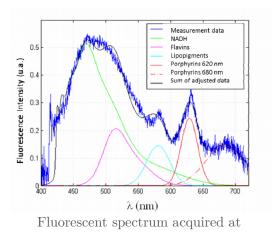


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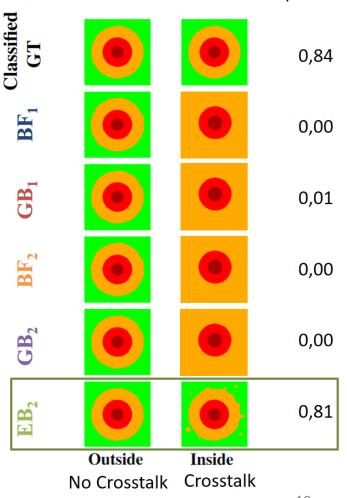
405 nm and five fluorophores [5]

Without auto-fluorescence crosstalks:

- State of the art models: Good estimation of PpIX 620 and 634
- EB model: Good estimation of PpIX 620 and 634

With auto-fluorescence crosstalks:

- State of the art models: Loss of specificity (bad estimation of PpIX 620 and 634 in healthy tissues)
- EB model: Good estimation of PpIX 620 and 634



Specificity



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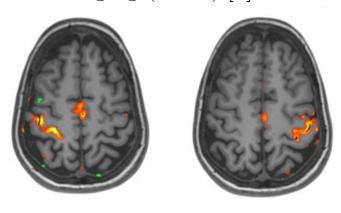
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Gold standard

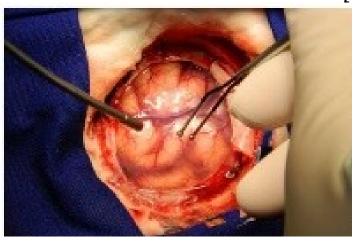
Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI) /1/



Control hand motricity [2]

Preoperative gold standard
Rarely used during neurosurgery: Brain shift [3]

Direct electrical brain stimulation [4]



Electrical stimulation of motor cortex (hand) [5]

Intraoperative gold standard
Punctual detection, epilepsy seizures

Need for an optical imaging technique to identify patient's functional brain areas during neurosurgery

^[3] I. Gerard et al. (2017) Medical Image Analysis 35, 403–420.

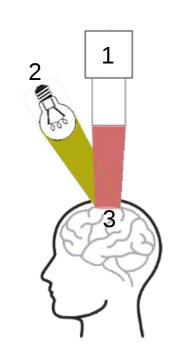


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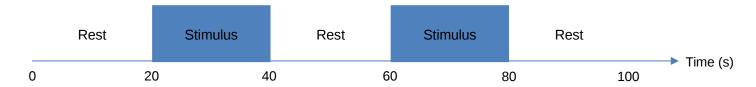
Experimental setup



- 1 RGB camera
- 2 Light source
- $3-{\rm Exposed}$ patient's brain



Task-based procedure



Resting state procedure





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Hemodynamic monitoring during a task-based procedure

 $\Delta C_{ ext{HbO2}}$ $\Delta C_{ ext{Hb}}$ 5 μ Mol/L Hemodynamic time courses measured at point M



M: Motor area (hand) identified by electrical brain stimulation

-5 $\mu Mol/L$

Model of brain hemodynamics

Need to define an operational tool for identifying the functional brain areas during neurosurgery

C. Caredda et al., IRBM, 2021

C. Caredda, et al., Neurophotonics, 2019





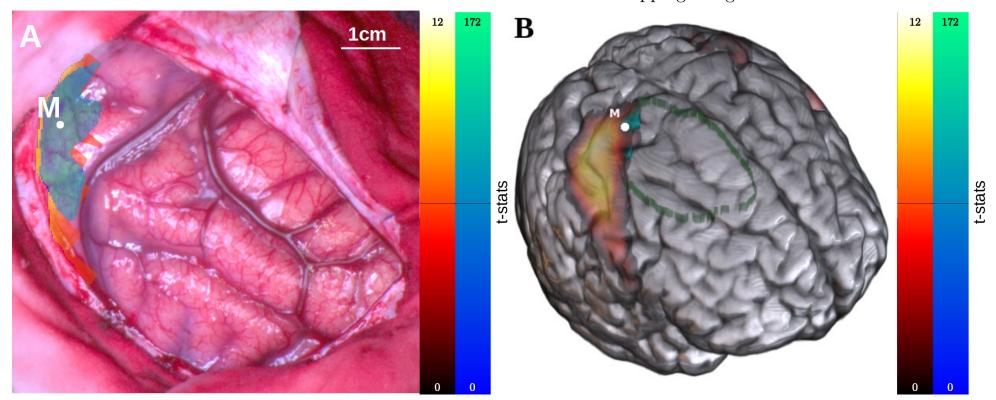
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Identification of functional brain areas during a task-based procedure

Task-based functional brain mapping using intraoperative optical imaging and preoperative fMRI

Preoperative task-based functional brain mapping using fMRI



M: Motor area identified by electrical stimulation



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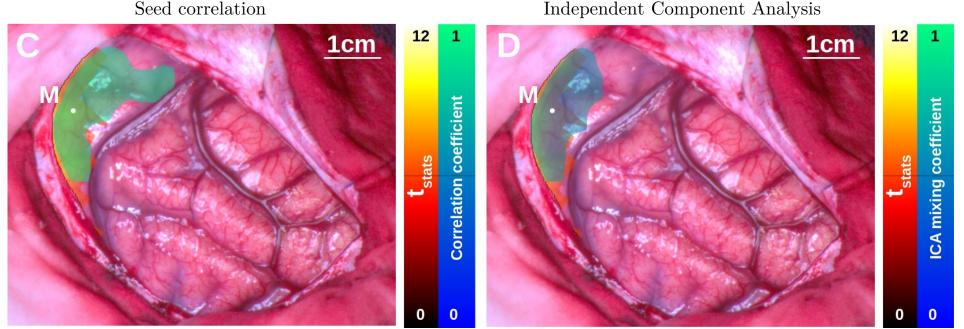
Intraoperative functional neuroimaging

Resting-state: Analysis of the slow hemodynamic fluctuations (<0.1Hz)

Advantages vs task-based procedures: Data acquisition is shorter, less complex, and less demanding for the patients, especially for those unable to perform the tasks

Applications of resting state fMRI techniques with intraoperative optical imaging Seed correlation [6], Independent component analysis [7,8]

Intraoperative resting-state functional brain mapping using optical imaging and preoperative taks-based fMRI



M: Motor area identified by electrical stimulation

^[7] B. R. White et al.. (2012) NeuroImage 59, 2529-2538

^[8] A. Hyvarinen (1999) IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks 10 626-634

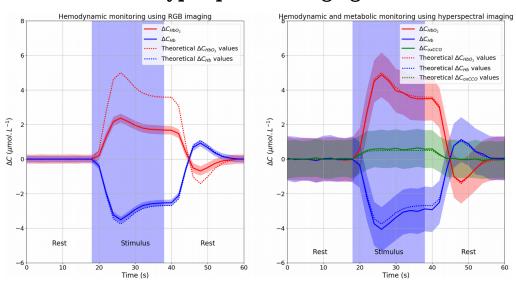


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Hemodynamic and metabolic brain mapping

Numeric brain phantom : Evaluate the quantification performance of RGB and hyperspectral imaging



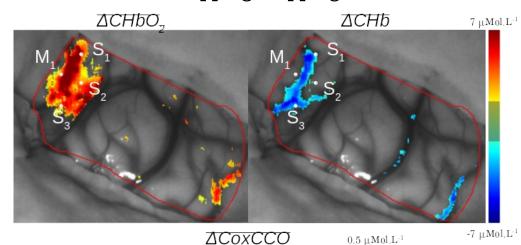
RGB imaging

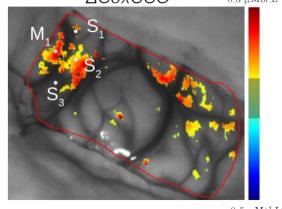
- Adapted for hemodynamic monitoring
- High accuracy to quantify deoxy-hemoglobin (4% errors)

Hyperspectral imaging

- Adapted for hemodynamic and metabolic monitoring
- Specificity for oxCČO estimation (700 to 900nm)

Quantititaive hemodynamic and metabolic brain mapping mapping





-0.5 μMol.L⁻¹

- C. Caredda, et al., Proc SPIE, 2020
- C. Caredda et al. Applied Sciences, 2021



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