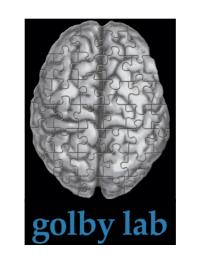


# Open-Source Diffusion MRI Software for Brain Cancer Research

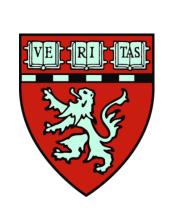
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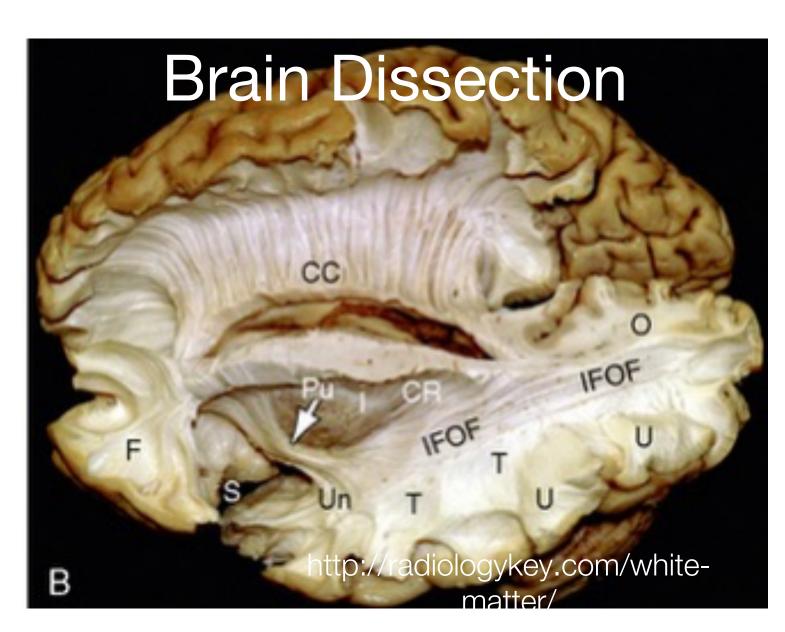




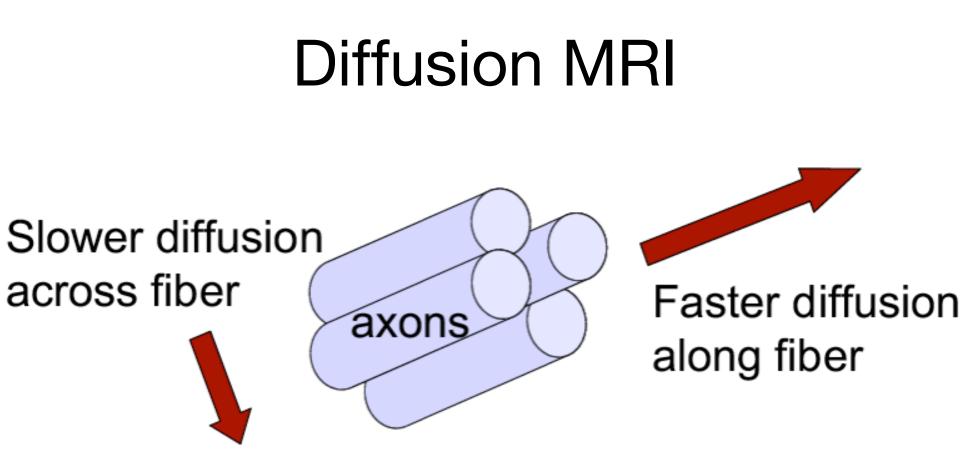




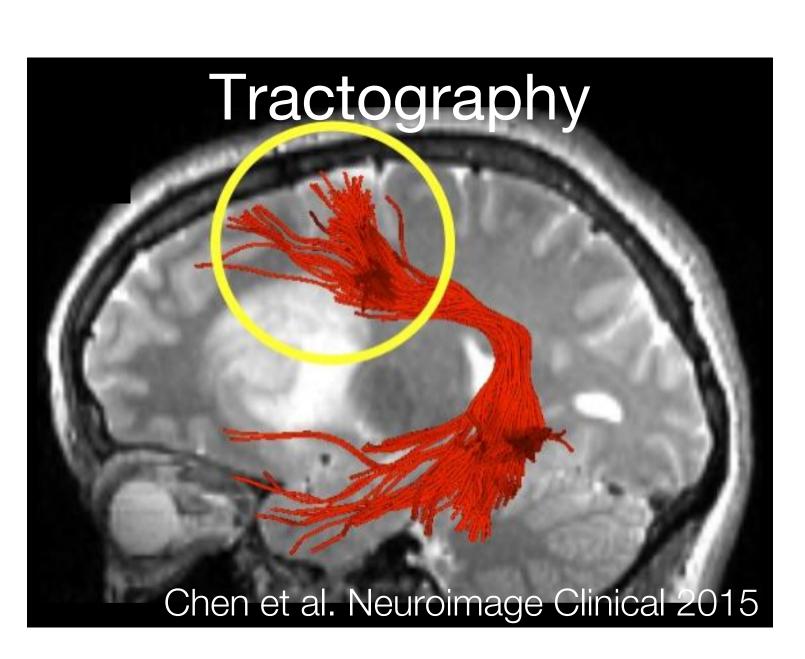
# Diffusion MRI: the only method that can measure our brain connections in vivo



"What we are interested in"



"What we have" \*

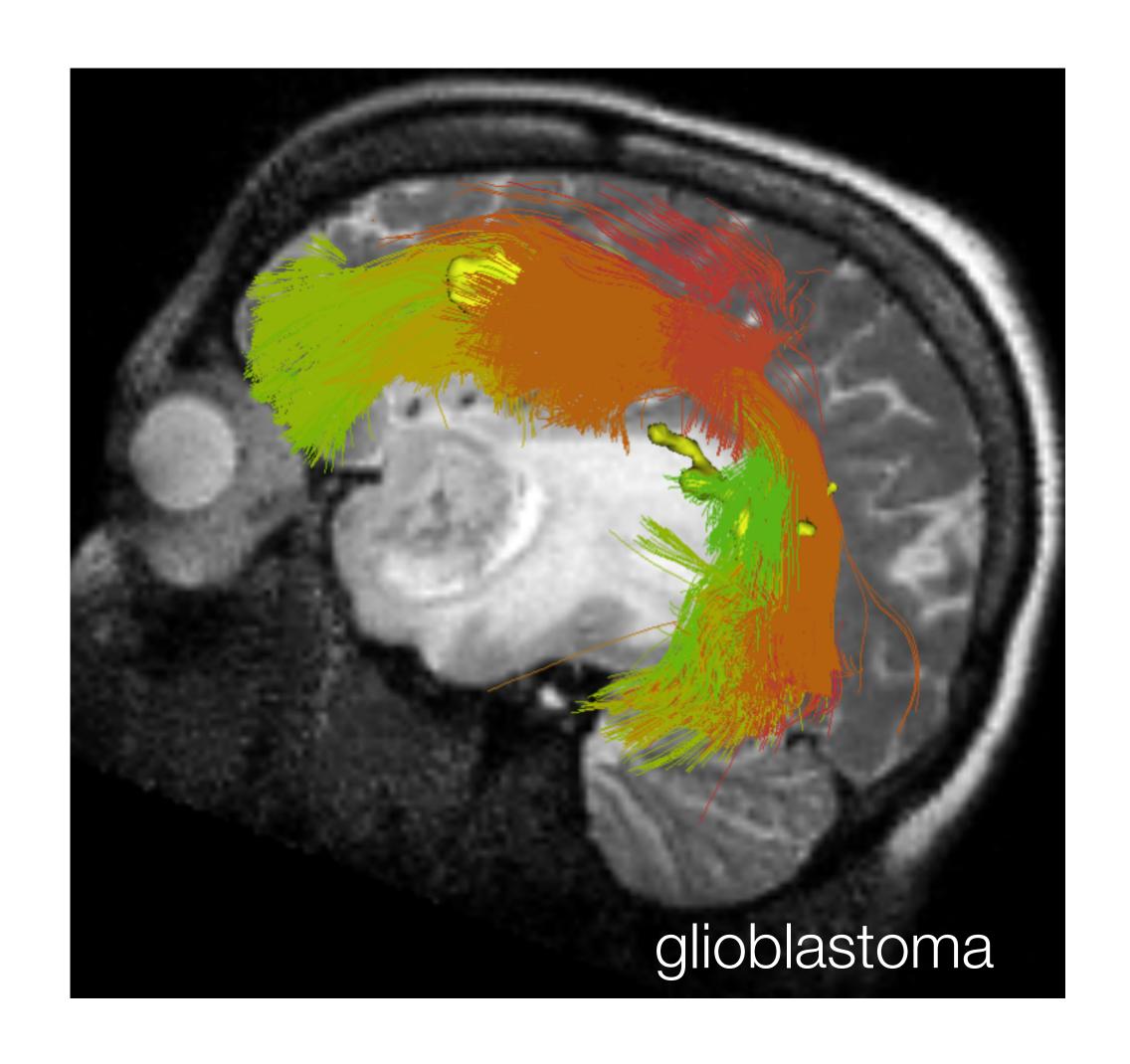


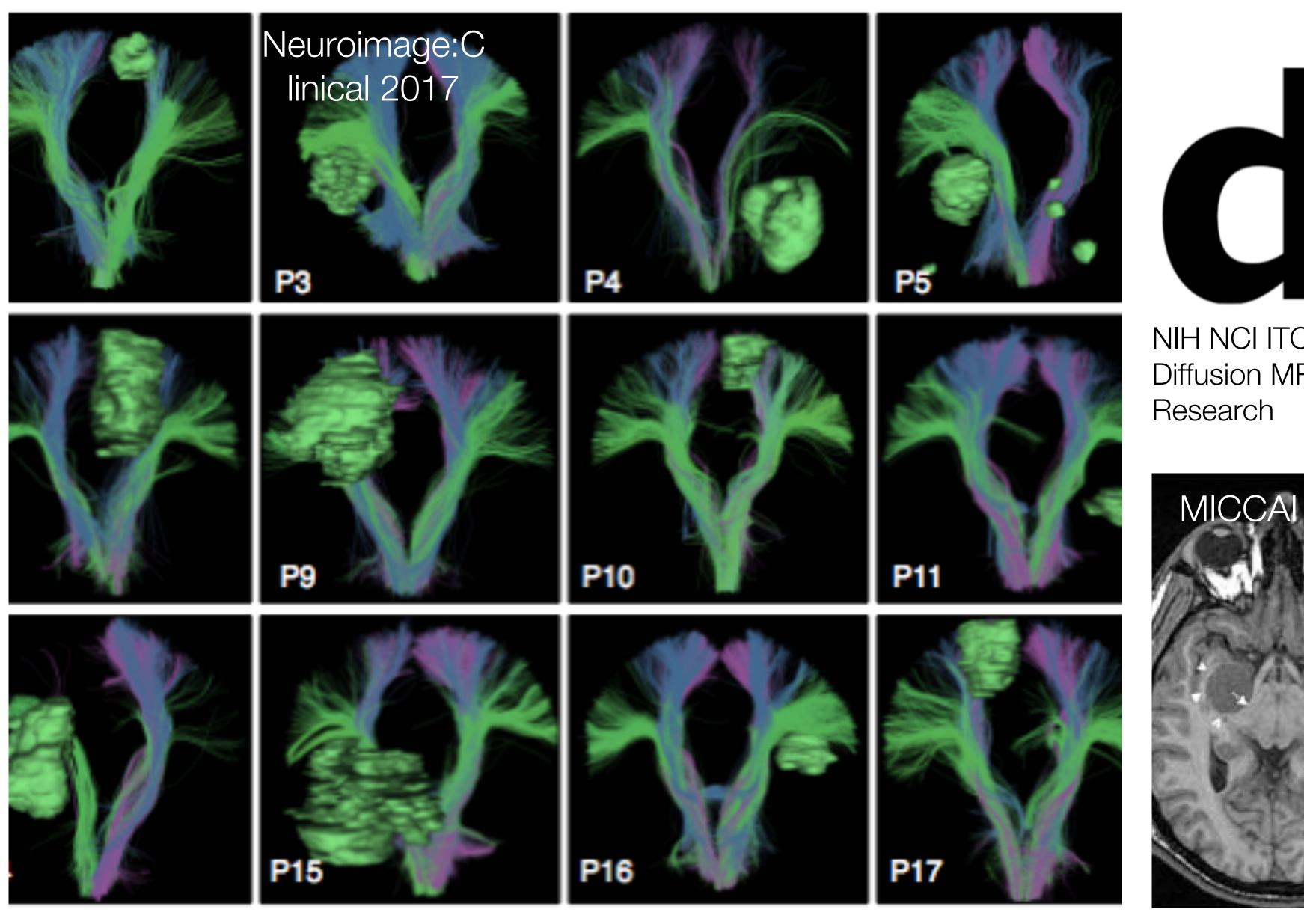
"What we try to do with it"

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# Neurosurgery for Brain Tumors

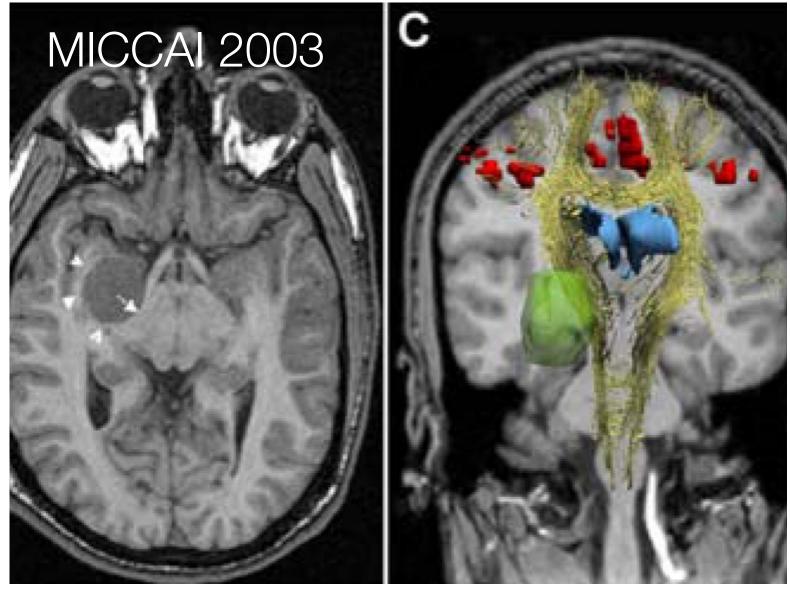
- Maximal tumor resection improves patient outcome
- dMRI: Map white matter tracts
- dMRI: Map brain microstructure
- dMRI is used for surgical planning and neuronavigation during surgery.







NIH NCI ITCR U01CA199459: Open Source Diffusion MRI Technology For Brain Cancer Research



### SlicerDMRI U01

- Create state-of-the-art dMRI workflows for brain cancer research.
- Latest improvements are available:
  - dmri.slicer.org
  - https://github.com/SlicerDMRI





### 3D Slicer: a platform for software dissemination

#### Downloads per day



#### Extension Manager "App Store"



Tamas Ungi, Matthew

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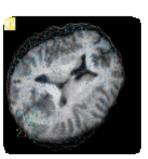
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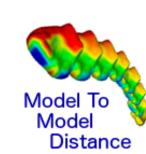
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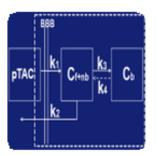
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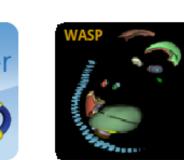
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### SlicerDMRI released as extension

- Separate SlicerDMRI from core code for faster developments
- Available to users as extension in Slicer4.6 (Oct 2016)
- We can update independently of Slicer versioning
- Easy install process (video)



## New user forum

New forum for user support discourse.slicer.org



#### **Support**

The Support category is for all usage questions and general discussion of Slicer and extensions.

Feature requests

#### **Development**

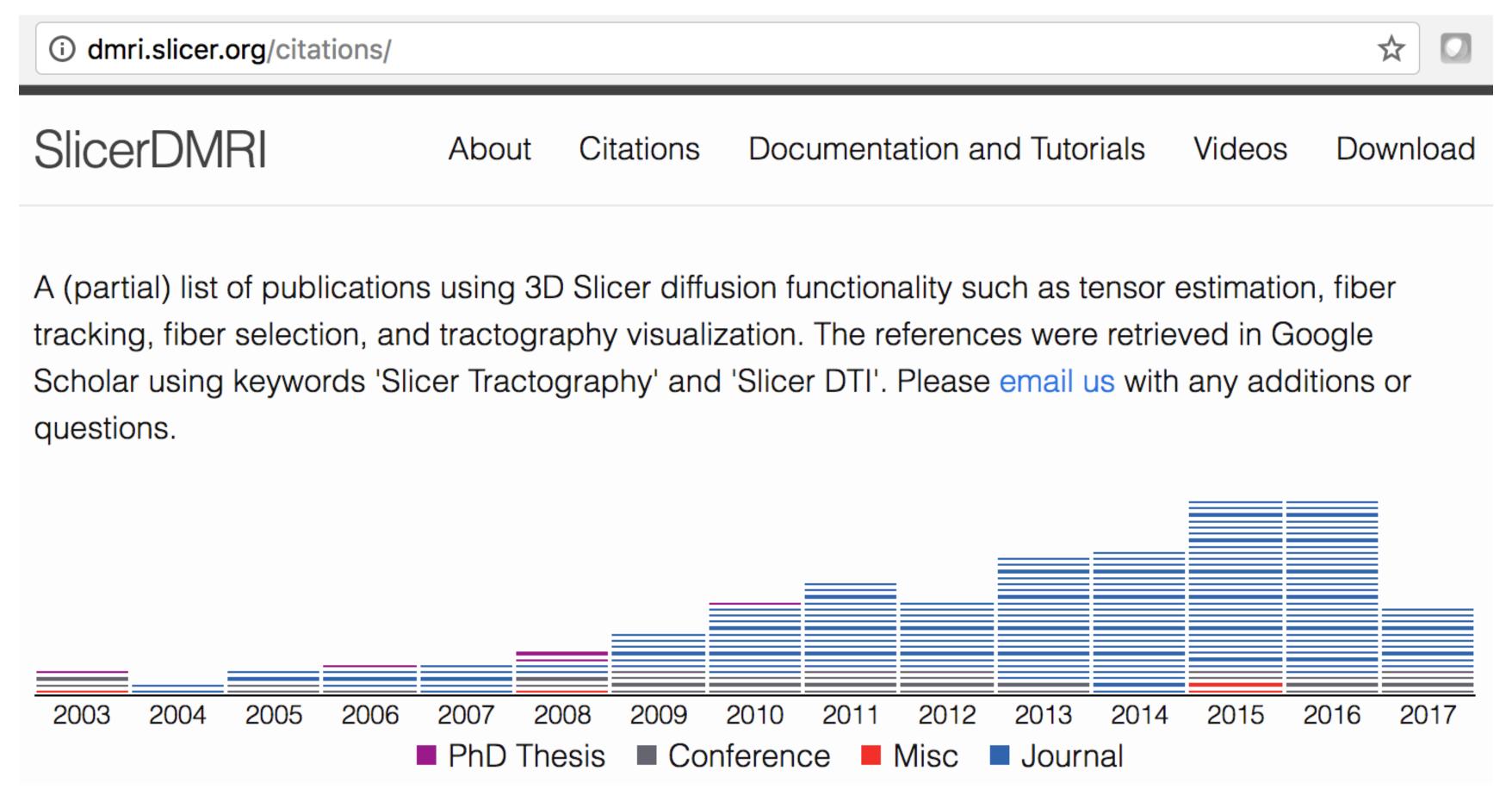
The Development category is for discussion of Slicer application and extension programming, software testing, and related topics - similarly to the former slicer-devel mailing list.

#### **Community**

Community information and project/topic sub-forums.

■ SlicerCMF ■ SlicerSALT ■ SlicerDMRI

### Document SlicerDMRI research use



> 200 downloads/month (Nov 2016-May 2017)

# Released DICOM Tractography

- First implementation of the new international standard
- DCMTK: Open-source DICOM library
- SlicerDMRI DICOM I/O module
- Soon: interoperability with commercial neurosurgical neuronavigation and hospital PACS systems
- Interoperability challenge: RSNA 2017

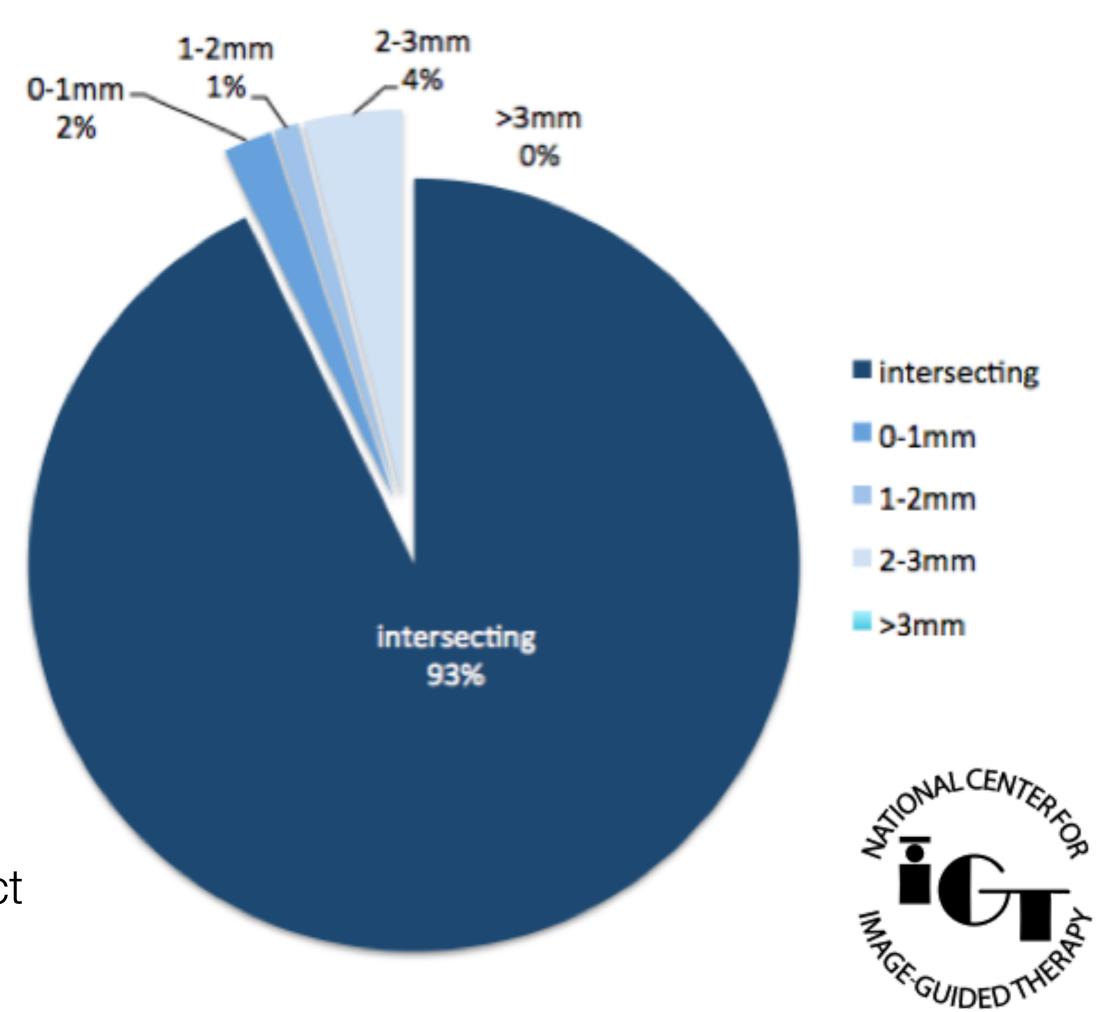
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# Published automated tractography

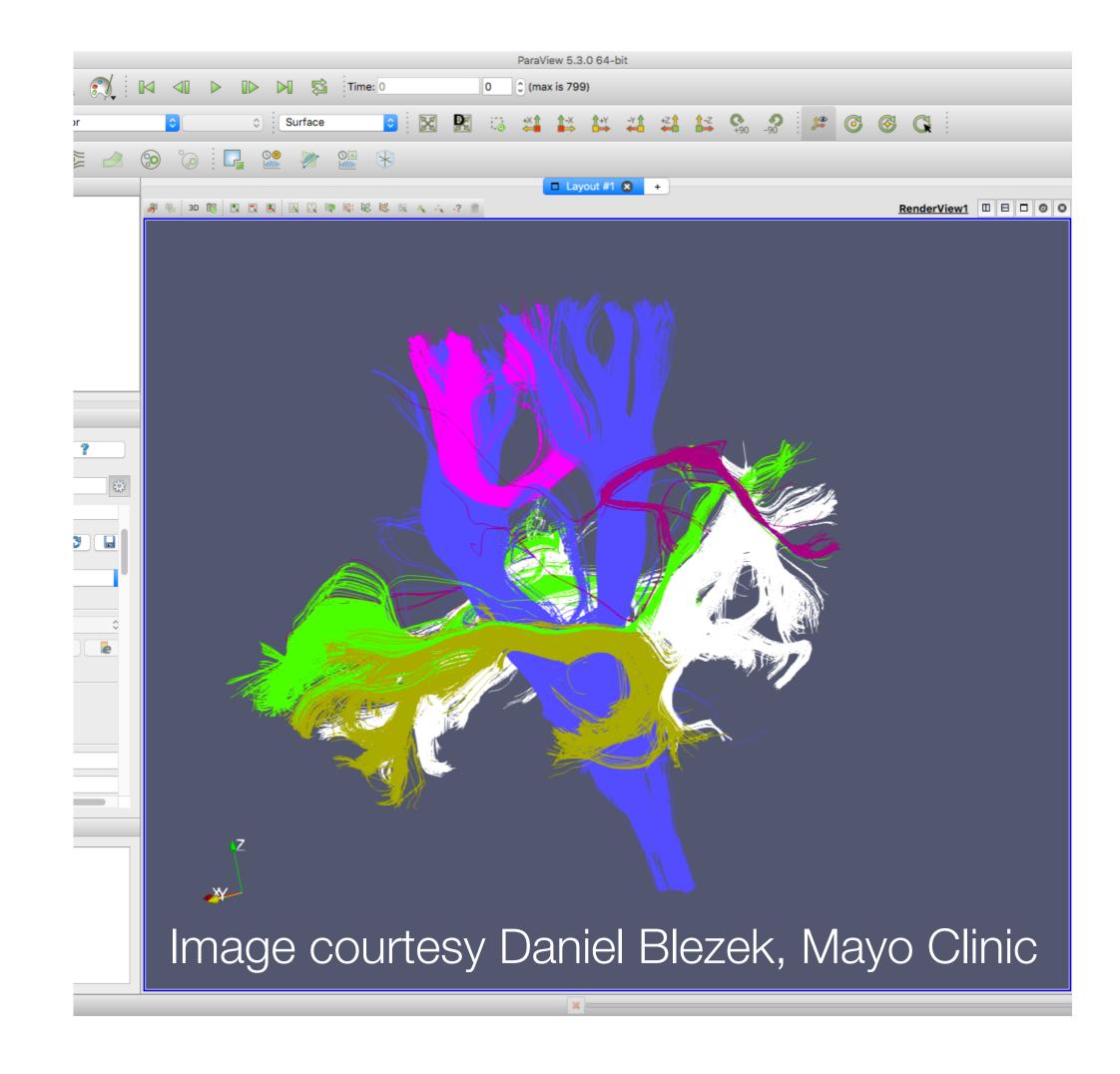
- 18 consecutive retrospective brain tumor patients
- Anatomically expected result:
  - 89 of 95 language and motor activations intersected by the corresponding tract
- Higher intersection than prior work (e.g. Diehl et al. Epilepsy research 2010 considered < 10 mm good)</li>

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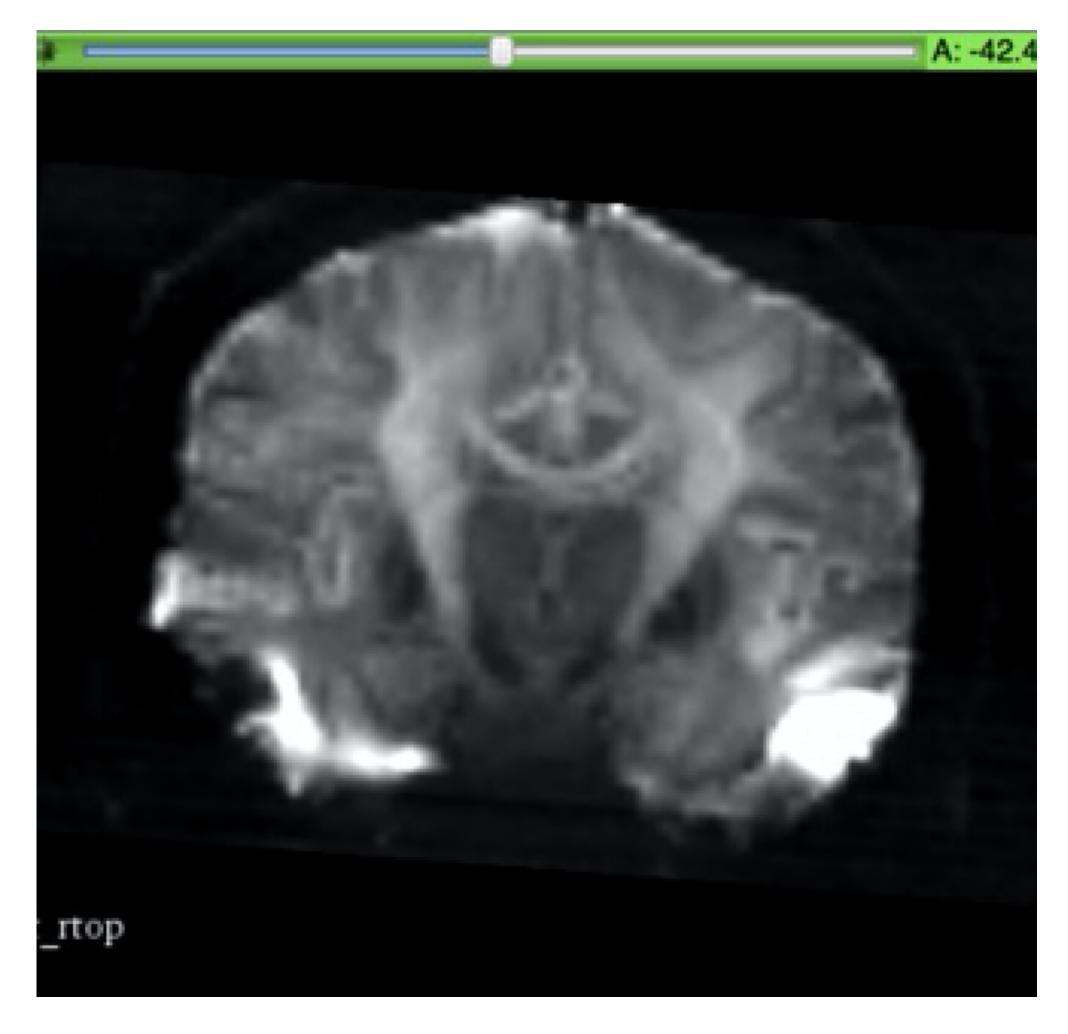
## New open-source community interactions

- Automatic tract identification is now in testing at Mayo Clinic
- Interoperability Challenge RSNA (led by Andrey Federov)
- Discussion started to combine DICOM code with community software TractConverter
- Investigating diffusion imaging in python (dipy) integration into SlicerDMRI



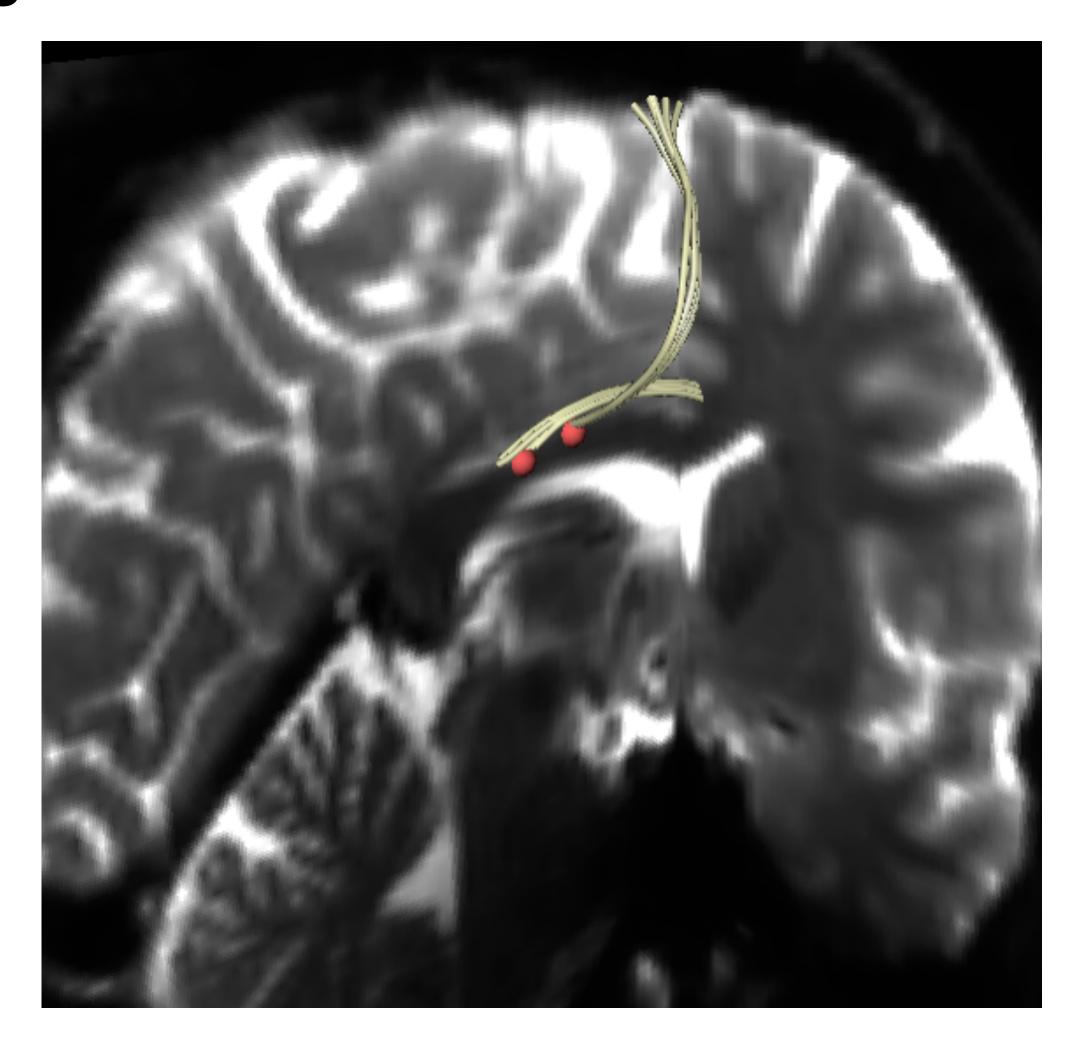
# Including Community Library

- Dipy: python toolbox for analysis of MR diffusion imaging (dipy.org)
  - Very popular in dMRI research, but no or limited user interface
- Goal: access dipy functionality in Slicer
  - Initial integration: separate full python installation needed for dipy
- Computation of new microstructure measures (significant additional functionality is possible)



# New Functionality in SlicerDMRI

- Summer 2017 release in Slicer-nightly extension
  - Initial dipy integration module
  - Multishell microstructure measures
  - Interactive multi-fiber tractography
- New website, new tutorials, new videos, many improvements to code
- Looking forward: new functionality via integration of and compatibility with community libraries



### Thank you

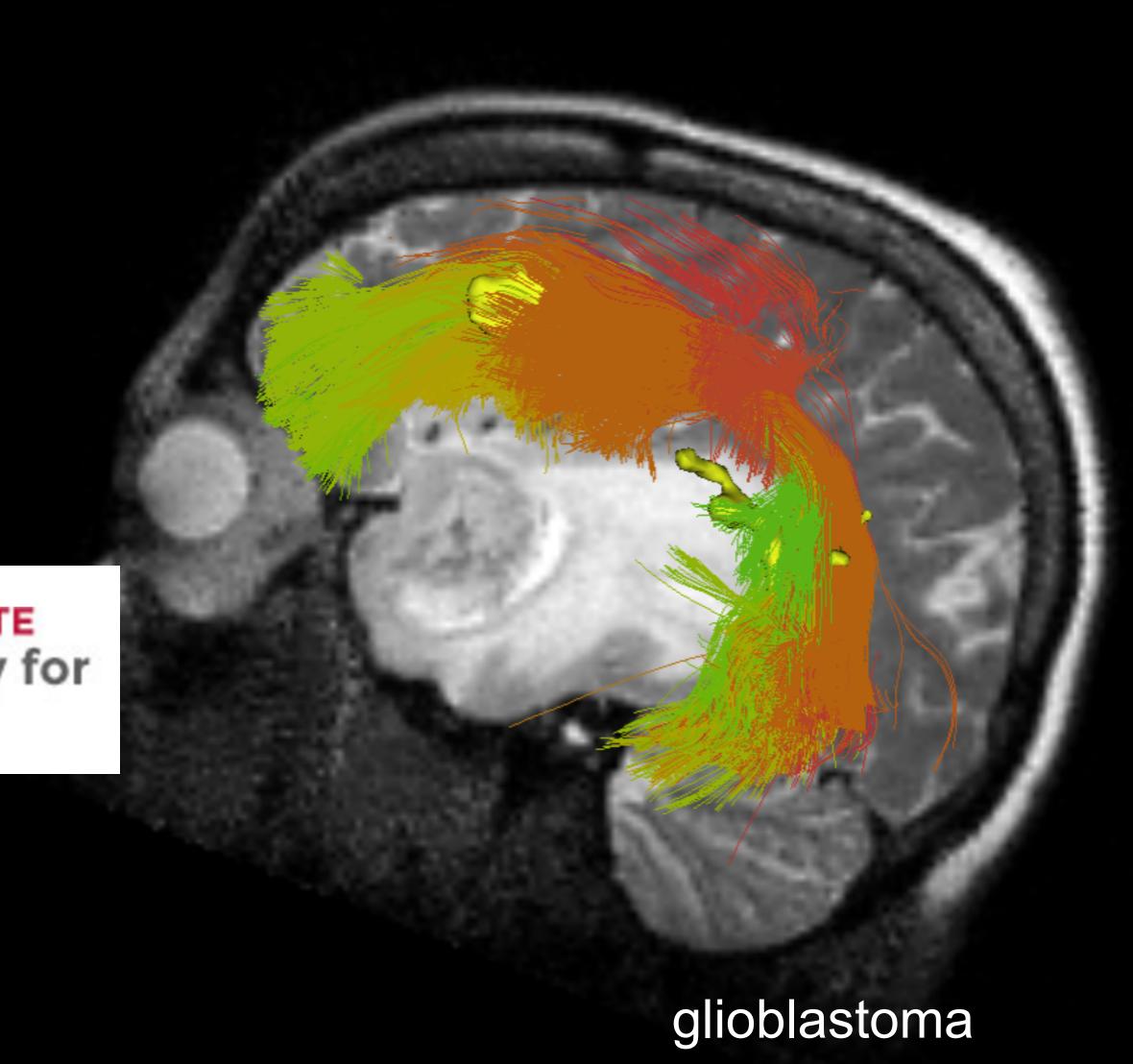
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