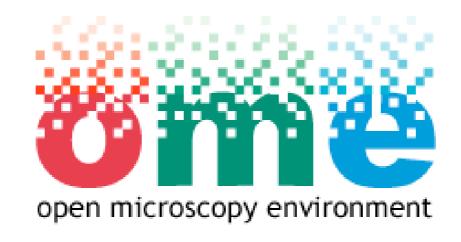
Pattern analysis of mouse liver: Morphological effects of gender, aging and diet

(doing Science with OME)

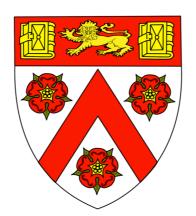


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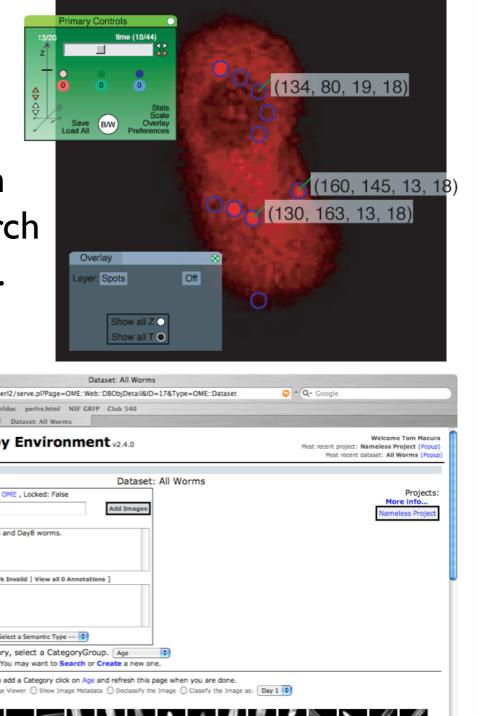


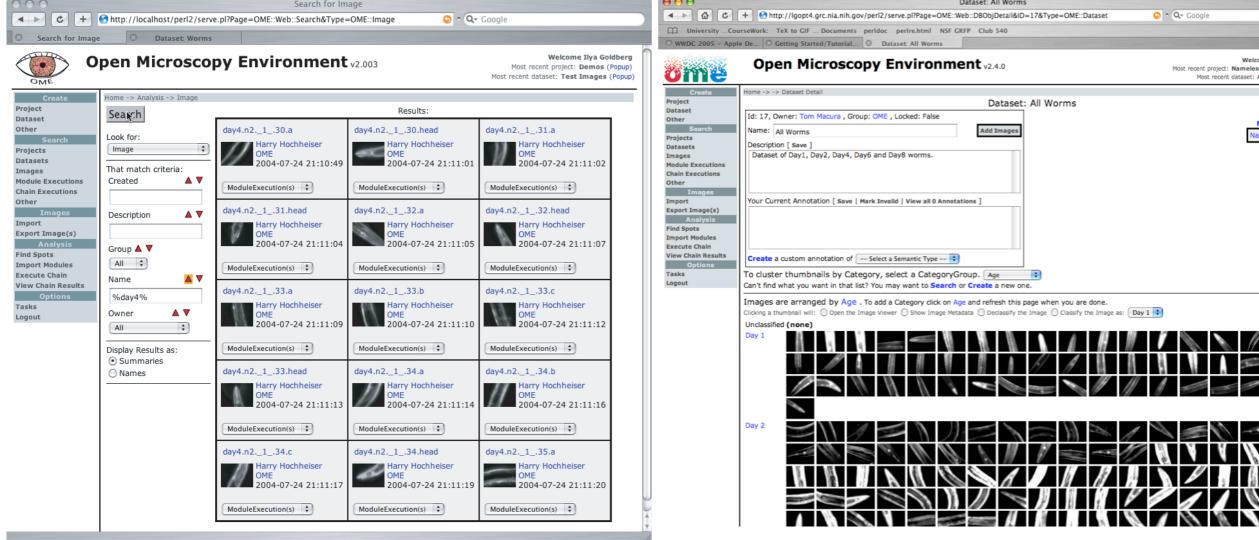




OME for Image Management

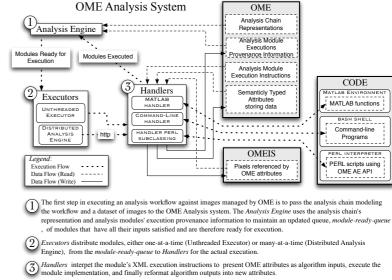
OME is a centralized image management solution enabling scientists to store, view, annotate, and search their and their collaborators' microscopy images.





OME for Quantitative Analysis

- Modeling Workflows in OME:
 - Semantic Types are OME's extensible ontology for data-modeling.
 - Analysis Modules are an language-independent, modular, re-usable computational algorithm representation.
 - Groups of analysis modules can be combined, by linking their inputs/ outputs, into OME Analysis Chain workflows.
- Executing Workflows in the OME Analysis System
 - The Analysis System provides managed algorithm execution (discussed later)



OME + WND-CHARM

OME = Informatics Platform for Visual Assays

WND-CHARM = Pattern Analysis to Score Visual Assays

OME + WND-CHARM = End to End Solution for High Throughput Imaging

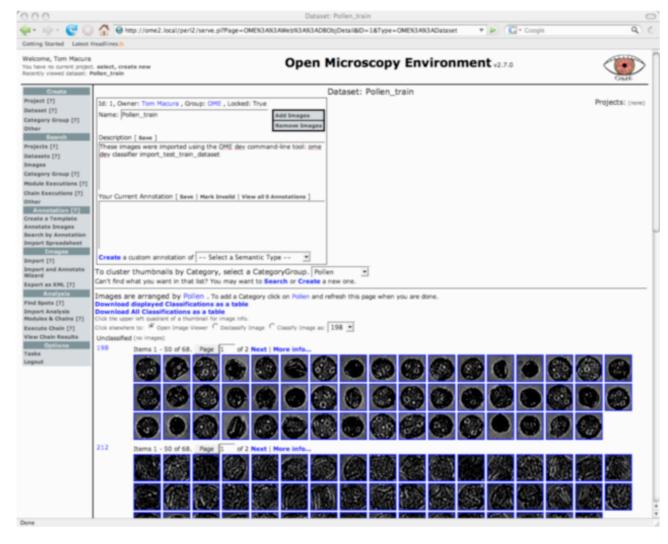
Integration of OME with WND-CHARM was finished in March.

Public Announcement to OME developers' lists was made on April 2nd.

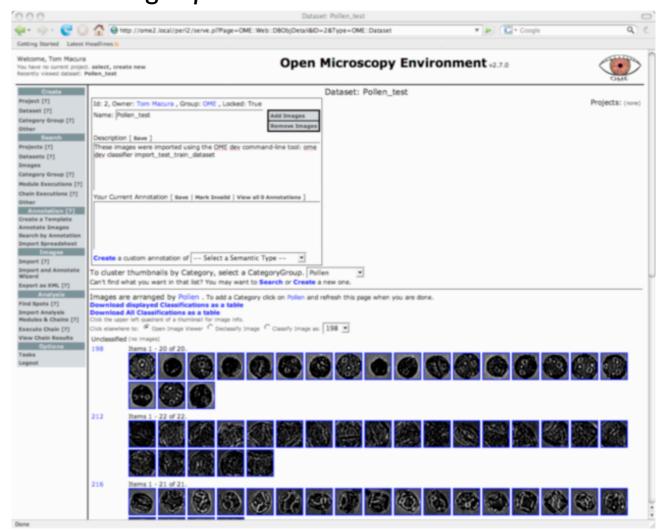
The "Full" OME+WND-CHARM release will use Lior's C/C++ implementation, eliminating the dependence on MATLAB.

OME+WND-CHARM (screenshots)

Training Pollen images with known categories



Pollen images predictions made with WND-CHARM



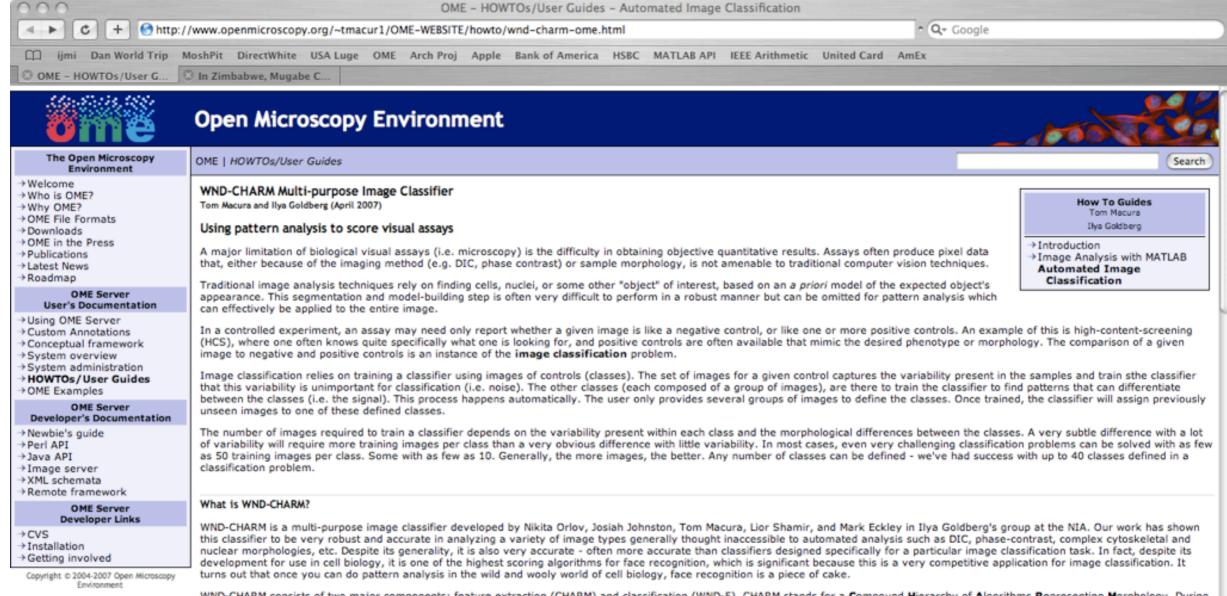
Several Command-Line Scripts Later

OME+WND-CHARM (How-To)

Step-by-step instructions for using OME+WND-CHARM are available on-line:

http://www.openmicroscopy.org/~tmacurI/OME-WEBSITE/howto/wnd-charm-ome.html

By following the How-To's instructions, Lior has reproduced my results.



WND-CHARM consists of two major components: feature extraction (CHARM) and classification (WND-5). CHARM stands for a Compound Hierarchy of Algorithms Representing Morphology. During feature extraction, each image is digested into a set of 1025 image content descriptors (features). The algorithms used to extract these features include polynomial decompositions, high contrast features, pixel statistics, and textures. The features are computed from the raw image, transforms of the image, and transforms of the image.

After image features have been extracted, there are many classification algorithms that can be utilized: Neural networks, Bayes networks, nearest neighbor algorithms, etc. We developed an algorithm called WND-5 (Weighted Neighbor Distance), which is based on the nearest neighbor method. In our experience, WND-5 is more general and accurate than others we've tried. Additionally, we've found that the class-assignment probabilities it reports can be reliable surrogate measures of image similarity.

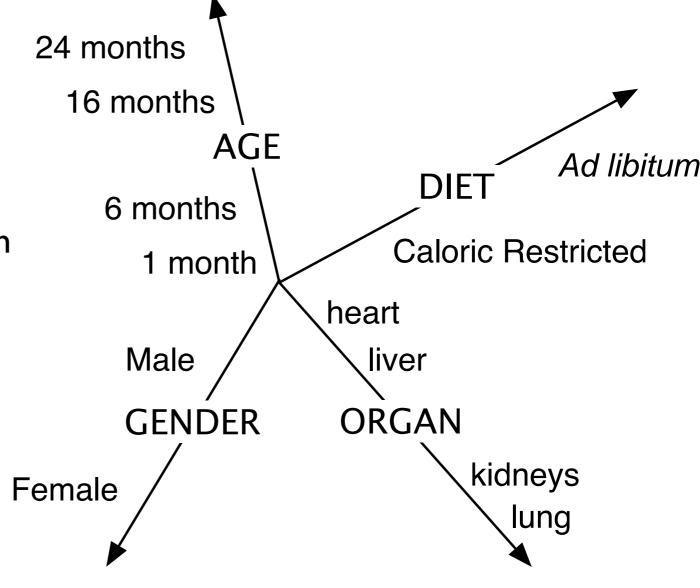
AGEMAP

- AGEMAP (Atlas of Gene Expression in Mouse Aging Project)
 - initiated to investigate molecular bio-markers of aging and diet
 - 3 mice per data-point (gender, age, diet). 48 mice in total
 - individual organs were harvested, sectioned, stained and put on slides

we are using the tissue sections to search for structural biomarkers of

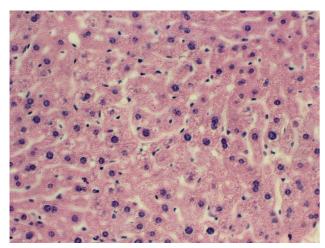
aging and diet

- our initial investigations focus
 on livers because it is a uniform
 tissue that is expected to
 display age effects
- but our future plans are to analyze all organs.

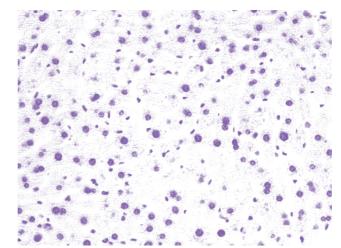


Collecting AGEMAP Images

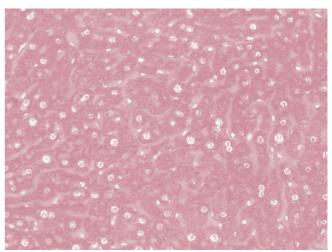
- 29 mouse livers, sectioned and stained with H&E
- ~50 RGB images of each liver acquired at 40x. Each image is 1388x1040 pixels with 12bits of quantization.
- "Colour Deconvolution" was used to convert camera's Red, Green, Blue channels into "Hematoxylin" and "Eosin" channels.



Original RGB Image



Computed Hematoxylin Channel



Computed Eosin Channel

• Images were divided into 4x4 tiles and CHARM signatures were computed separately on tiles' H and E components.

Quantitative Analysis of AGEMAP requires BIG!! Machinery

- Organizational Challenges:
 - 29 Mice => 1500 RGB Images => 3000 H&E Images => 50,000 tiles => 50 million "Features"
 - All 50 million features need to be mapped to meta-data (Mouse ID, Image ID, Age, Diet, Gender) that is essential to data analysis
- Computational Challenges:
 - 8GB of raw pixels => 125 GB of 'computed pixels' (e.g. Fourier/ Wavelet/Chebysev transforms)
 - Each tile takes approximately 22 seconds to calculate signatures
 => 275 hours in total (using 6 processors!).
- OME's "managed analysis", and a network of computers, are essential to dealing with current challenges that will grow 5x as we proceed to analyze other organs. 50 days of 24-7 computation and 600 GB of disk space.

After all the data processing, we have preliminary results

WND-CHARM detects structural differences between Male and Female livers

- Classifiers were trained on age/diet matched Male and Female mice (2560 tiles).
- Remaining tiles were used for testing.
- The training/testing splits were done per image (so all tiles for a particular image were either used for testing or training).

1 Months AL: **93%**

	Female	Male
Female	276	44
Male	9	311

16 Months AL: **95%**

	Female	Male
Female	1269	43
Male	31	289

6 Months AL: **95%**

	Female	Male
Female	466	14
Male	33	447

24 Months AL: **86%**

	Female	Male
Female	430	82
Male	52	412

WND-CHARM detects structural changes in mouse livers that are due to aging

- Classifiers were trained on ad-libitum mouse by age classes.
- Male and Female mice were analyzed separately (5120 training tiles).

Female AL: **70%**

	I Month	6 Months	16 Months	24 Months
I Months	270	34	16	0
6 Months	69	855	131	65
16 Months	114	149	1022	27
24 Months	126	303	150	573

Male AL: **70%**

	I Month	6 Months	16 Months	24 Months
I Months	276	28	10	6
6 Months	67	931	80	42
16 Months	4	40	273	3
24 Months	37	95	149	823

 When we performed randomized Negative Controls we obtained expected results.

WND-CHARM detects structural differences between CR and AL livers

 We only have complete CR data points for 6 and 16 Month Female mice (1293 training tiles).

6 Months F: **88%**

	AL	CR
AL	404	76
CR	43	485

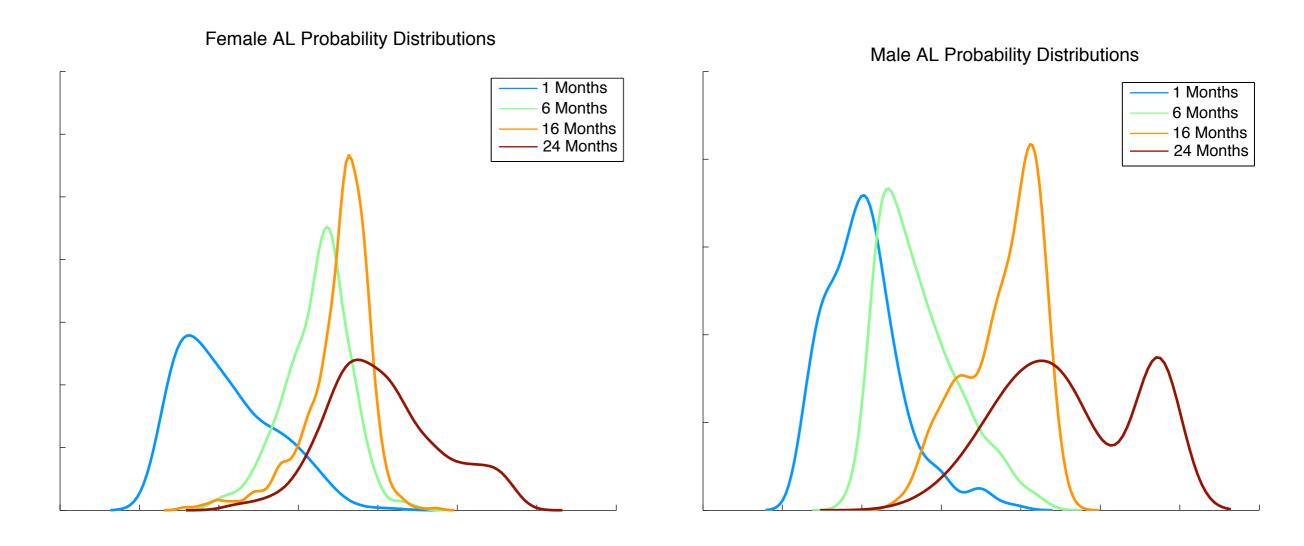
16 Months F: **95%**

	AL	CR
AL	1219	80
CR	6	317

 When we performed randomized Negative Controls we obtained expected results.

WND-CHARM Similarity Measure

- We've applied Josiah's Image Similarity tools to AGEMAP data
- There appear to be three states of aging



WND-CHARM Similarity Measure

Female CR livers appear younger than Female AL livers.

