





UK Biobank Pipeline: Public release of the first 10,000 datasets

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- Prospective epidemiological study: 500,000, 45-75y, UK residents
- Genetic data + biological samples + lifestyle information + health records.
- Discover early markers & risk factors of disease
- A large subset of the subjects are being scanned (13,700 subjects so far).



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Raw data Automated processing

raw DICOMs



Open-access database



+

Imaging-Derived Phenotypes (IDPs - summary measures)



Structural MRI

linear registration to standard space

nonlinear registration to standard space



standard space template



whole-brain & tissue volumes











Functional MRI

Task fMRI

Resting State fMRI



shapes

HCP's paradigm: Faces/shapes task paradigm. [Hariri et al. 2002. Neuroimage]



ICA & functional connectivity analysis

Diffusion



Recent IDPs

(Imaging Derived Phenotypes)

Volume of grey matter in 139 different brain regions

Volume of WMHs using BIANCA





IDP results

8 million univariate associations between IDPs and non-brainimaging variables (10,000 subjects)



Decisions taken building the pipeline

Non-linear registration to MNI



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Registration method for dMRI to MNI

- FA linearly aligned to T1 + T1 non-linearly aligned to MNI.
- FA linearly aligned to T1 + T1's WM non-linearly aligned to MNI's WM.
- 3: FA linearly aligned to T1 + T1's GM non-linearly aligned to MNI's GM.
- 4: Corrected B0 linearly aligned (BBR) to T1 + T1 non-linearly aligned to MNI.
- 6: Corrected B0 linearly aligned (BBR) to T1 + T1's GM non-linearly aligned to MNI's GM.
- FA non-linearly aligned to T1 + T1 non-linearly aligned to MNI.

- FA non-linearly aligned to T1 + T1's WM non-linearly aligned to MNI's WM.
- 9: FA non-linearly aligned to T1 + T1's GM non-linearly aligned to MNI's GM.
- FA linearly aligned (BBR) to T1 + T1 non-linearly aligned to MNI.
- FA linearly aligned (BBR) to T1 + T1's WM non-linearly aligned to MNI's WM.
- 5: Corrected B0 linearly aligned (BBR) to T1 + T1's WM non-linearly aligned to MNI's WM. 12: FA linearly aligned (BBR) to T1 + T1's GM non-linearly aligned to MNI's GM.
 - 13: FA non-linearly aligned to FA FMRIB58 atlas via a study-specific template.
 - 14: FA non-linearly aligned to FA FMRIB58 atlas using high-dimensional FNIRT-based warping.

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Number of seeds per voxel for probabilistic tractography





















Registration Issues & QC



(R-Volume / L-Volume)



Normalised intensity per subcortical structure

Some more QC metrics







Quality Control Metrics

- 190 QC features for T1.
- 5815 subjects manually labelled in QC terms.
- 98 (1.68%) bad quality images found.



Ensemble of classifiers

QC Results

10-fold stratified cross validation

	Real Positive	Real Negative	14.4%
Classified Positive	TP: 90	FP: 747	P. Precision: 0.11
Classified Negative	FN: 8	TN: 4970	N. Precision: 0.998
0.13%	Sensitivity: 0.92	Specificity: 0.87	Accuracy: 0.87

Positive = Low quality / artefacts dataset **Negative** = Usable dataset





- October 2015: ~6000 subjects' data were released
- February 2017: ~4000 subjects' data were released
- Brain imaging
 - Raw+processed NIFTI images available for all 6 modalities
 - 4350 released IDPs usable by non-imaging-experts
- 4500-subject multimodal brain templates tinyurl.com/ukbbrain

(also: matlab-code and results for IDP processing from Nat Neur paper, files for replicating acquisition protocol)





Papers using Biobank Brain Imaging Data

- Miller et al. (2016). Multimodal population brain imaging in the UK Biobank prospective epidemiological study.
 Nature Neuroscience.
- Cox et al. (2016). Ageing and brain white matter structure in 3,513 UK Biobank participants. Nature Communications.
- Reus et al. (2017). Association of polygenic risk for major psychiatric illness with subcortical volumes and white matter integrity in UK Biobank. Nature - Scientific Reports.
- Shen et al. (2017). Subcortical volume and white matter integrity abnormalities in major depressive disorder: findings from UK Biobank (N=4446). Uploaded to bioRxiv.
- Wigmore et al. (2017). Do Regional Brain Volumes and Major Depressive Disorder Share Genetic Architecture: a study in Generation Scotland (n=19,762), UK Biobank (n=24,048) and the English Longitudinal Study of Ageing (n=5,766). Uploaded to bioRxiv.

OHBM 2017 Abstracts using Biobank Brain Imaging Data (FMRIB).

- Alfaro Almagro et al. Update on UK Biobank Brain Imaging: First 10,000 subjects and new Imaging Derived Phenotypes.
- Visser et al. Subcortical shape analysis using a temporal model reveals nonlinear development of atrophy with age.
- Heise et al. APOE genotype affects volume but not iron content of subcortical structures in the UK Biobank population study.
- Mollink et al. Fibre dispersion in the corpus callosum relates to interhemispheric functional connectivity





Data Access http://www.ukbiobank.ac.uk/register-apply

- Open for use by researchers worldwide
- Access application needed, primarily to ensure protection of sensitive subject data
- Modest data access fee (~£2.5k including access to imaging data), to ensure that the resource is maintainable indefinitely
- No preferential access to scientists helping run UK Biobank !

Future Big Data Needs

- ~10 GB per subject = ~1 PB total data
- ~27 CPU hours and 0.62 GPU hours per subject.
- Co-modelling IDPs with lifestyle data, genetics & long-term healthcare outcomes (NHS records) will be a huge data/analysis challenge.
- Imaging researchers may run their own from-scratch analyses. Biobank might eventually offer "cloud" compute facilities attached to the database



Job	Hours
T1 & T2 Processing	1.9
swMRI Processing	0.13
topup	0.3
dMRI Processing	0.16
TBSS	0.54
NODDI	0.18
Tractography	20
FIX	0.4
Melodic	2.1
FEAT	1
IDP Generation	0.17
Total CPU hours	26.88

Job	Hours
eddy	0.18
bedpostx	0.44
Total GPU hours	0.62

Future Developments

- Improving non-linear registration
- Better autoPtx masks
- Freesurfer ...
- ...and hence HCP pipelines including MSM (Multimodal Surface Matching)
- Cloud Storage / Processing?
- Unsupervised Feature Learning?







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