

SepINRIA v1.7.2: Multiple Sclerosis Brain Visualisation, Comparison and Analysis Software



1. Objectives

To provide clinicians with tools allowing to analyze Multiple Sclerosis (MS) brain MRI:

- Works on a convenient database,
- Visualisation of images in 2D and/or 3D.
- Quantitative lesion burden evaluation (manually or automatically).
- Brain atrophy evaluation (manually or automatically).
- Comparison of different sequences or of binary segmentations.

2. Data Management & Visualisation

The database interface allows to:

- Import images from DICOM and other formats.
- Rotate/Flip images.
- Export results in DICOM or other formats (e.g. the segmentations).





Different interactions are possible:

- Display in 2D/3D.
- Zoom
- Windowing.





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3. Lesion Segmentation

Manually:

- Drawing slice by slice.
- The drawing of a slice can be used for the following slice.

Semi-automatically:

- Click in the center of a lesion
- The segmentation is achieved thanks to a 3D region growing.





Automatically:

- From four sequences (T2, PD, T1, T2-FLAIR).
- Images normalization.
- Segmentation of WM, GM, CSF taking into consideration partial volume effects.



4. Atrophy Evaluation

2D linear manual measurements:

- Automatic images aligning on an image of reference. Reference slices are saved into memory.
- Selection of the measurement:
 - Brain width,
 - Lateral ventricles width,
 - > Third ventricle width.
- Automatic display of the corresponding 2D slice.
- Click to move landmarks.
- Save the measurement.



Automatically:

- From three sequences (T2, PD, T1).
- Sequences alignment.
- Segmentation of the brain.
- Intensity inhomogeneities correction.
- Segmentation of WM, GM, CSF taking into consideration partial volume effects.
- WM, GM, CSF volume and Brain Parenchymal Fraction (BPF) computation.







Segmentation of the lesions.

Lesion burden computation.

Results:

- Visualisation in 2D or 3D of the lesions.
- Lesion burden computed from segmentations.
- Segmentations saved and exported.
- A quantitative comparison of two segmentations.



Volume(GM) + Volume(WM) Volume(GM) + Volume(WM) + Volume(CSF)

Results:

- 2D linear measurements saved and exported.
- Display evolution of the BPF. This evolution reflects atrophy



eses values are given for research purpose. They are an evaluation of the 'true' BPF (Our algorithm does not classify all voxels of the image. Outliers are discard

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5. Image comparison

- Automatic co-registration of images:
 - Monomodal,
 - Multimodal.
- Quantitative comparisons of two binary segmentations to assess evolutions:
 - Computation of the image difference.
 - > Visualisation in the same window. side to side or by image fusion.





6. Conclusion

• SepINRIA can be freely downloaded at:

http://www-sop.inria.fr/asclepios/software/SepINRIA/



- SepINRIA is available on different platforms:
- SepINRIA is based on ITK, VTK, wxWidgets, vtkINRIA3D libraries and the MedINRIA framework.









