

BIDAC project update

Develop image processing pipeline for ex-vivo DTI of mouse models

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Project update

1) Optimization of ex-vivo DWI mouse brain acquisitions in collaboration with Small Animal Imaging core

DWI InVivo



B0 image 0.15x0.15x0.5 mm3 (68-dir DWI)

DWI ExVivo DWI ExVivo



B0 image 0.13x0.13x0.1 mm3 (68-dir DWI)



B0 image 0.13x0.13x0.1 mm3 (12-dir DWI)

Project update

- 2) Adaptation of image processing framework from human imaging to small animal imaging
- 3) DTI analysis
 - Method: group-wise analysis
 - DTI atlas generation from population
 - Use of Brookhaven public parcellation
 - Test on an ongoing study:
 - 3 Knock-Out (KO) mice
 - 5 Wild-Type (WT) mice



processing framework

Screenshots: DTI atlas



Conclusion

Contributions

- Developed joint expertise and Utah HSC capabilities for mouse image acquisition and analysis
- Processing and statistical analysis were tested on ongoing study of a Hoxb8 mouse model of OCD (Obsessive Compulsive Disorder)
 - This will lead to co-authored publication and potential future grant writing

Next steps

• Tract-based analysis



Color by FA



Color by global orientation



Color by local orientation