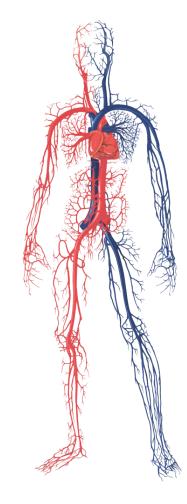
Analysis of retina images

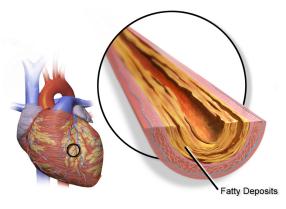
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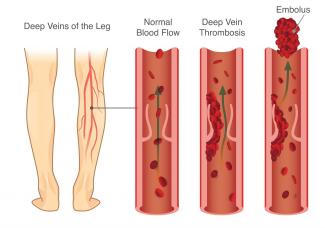
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The cardiovascular system and disease









How can we visualize the vascular system?

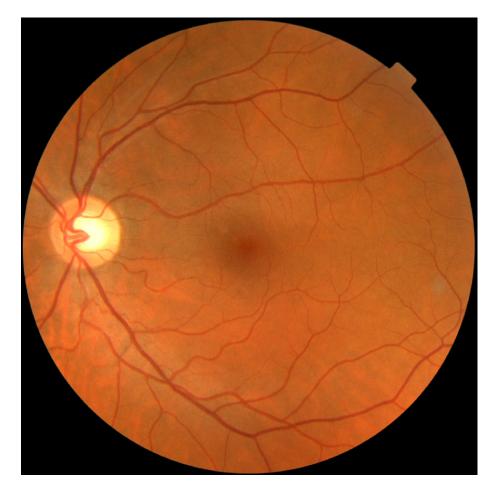




X-ray coronary angiogram

funduscopy

The fundus is being extensively studied



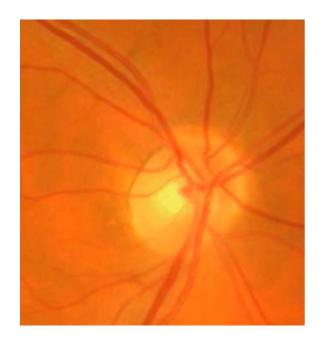


Enabling scientific discoveries that improve human health

N > 85'000 !

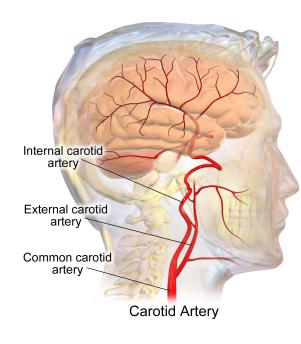
Disease-relevant markers in retinal vasculature

Tortuosity



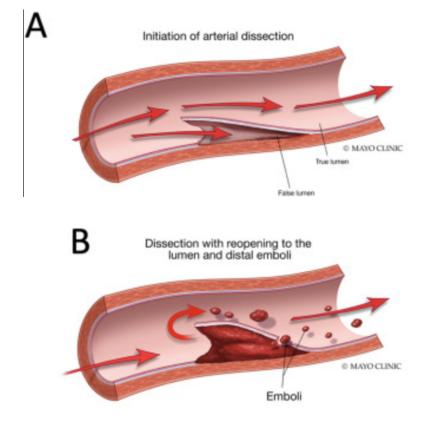


Tortuosity in other tissues is risk factor for dissection Bum Joon Kim et al., 2016



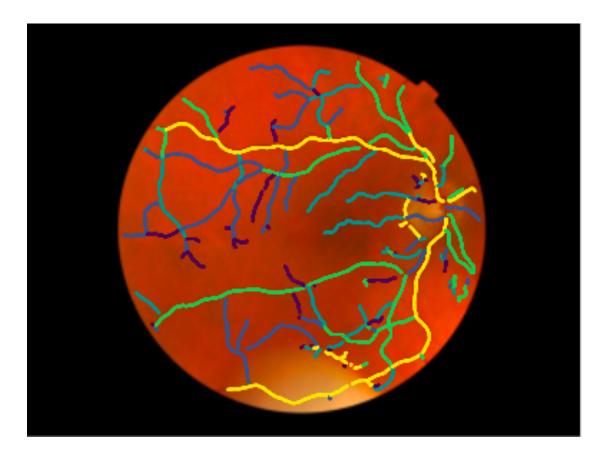
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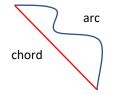
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dissection

Accurately measuring image phenotypes is hard



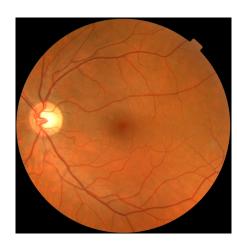


$$\tau_{DF} = \frac{L_{arc}}{L_{chord}}$$

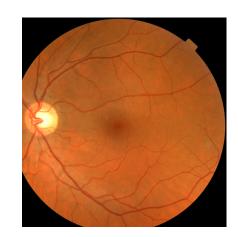
Tortuosity = 1.2

Two sources of error

Technical error

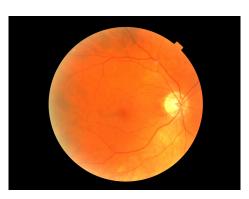


Tortuosity = 1.03



Tortuosity=1.07

Biological "error"





Tortuosity = 1.3

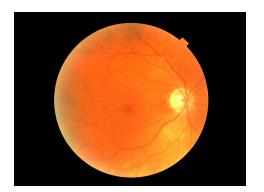
Tortuosity=1.1

Your project – part 1

- Quantify these types of error for various measurements
- What can we say about these measurements?
 - Accuracy
 - Stability

Your project – part 2: Improving GWAS

	Tortuosity
Subject 1	1.4
Subject 2	1.2
Subject n	1.4
Subject 65'000	1.05



Tortuosity = 1.7



Tortuosity=1.1

Subject n: tortuosity = 1.4

Your project – part 2: Citizen science



Take your own measurements

Create image segmentation method



You will know your personal scores!

You will learn

- Stats
- Python
- Either GWAS, or image segmentation and your personal vascular scores