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Outline

Introduction: VisAGeS and AI

Large-scale brain imaging studies

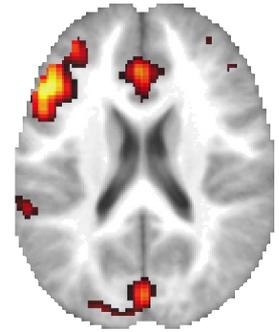
Analytic variability

Introduction

VisAGeS and AI

VisAGeS research objectives

Understand the brain under **typical** and **pathological** conditions with **brain imaging**



Team leader: Christian Barillot

Goals

- Early Diagnosis
- Therapeutic choices
- New therapeutic protocols

Multiple sclerosis, Psychiatry, Parkinsonian disorders, Dementia, Stroke

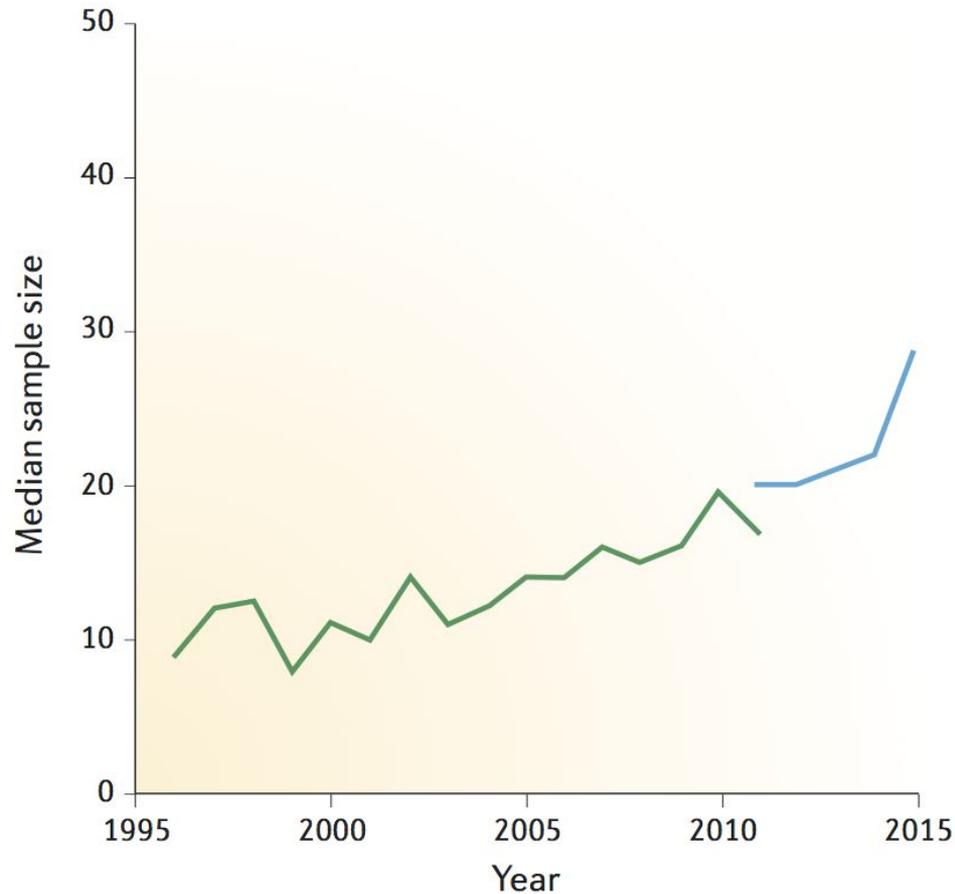
(Slide content from Christian Barillot, adapted)

VisAGeS in AI



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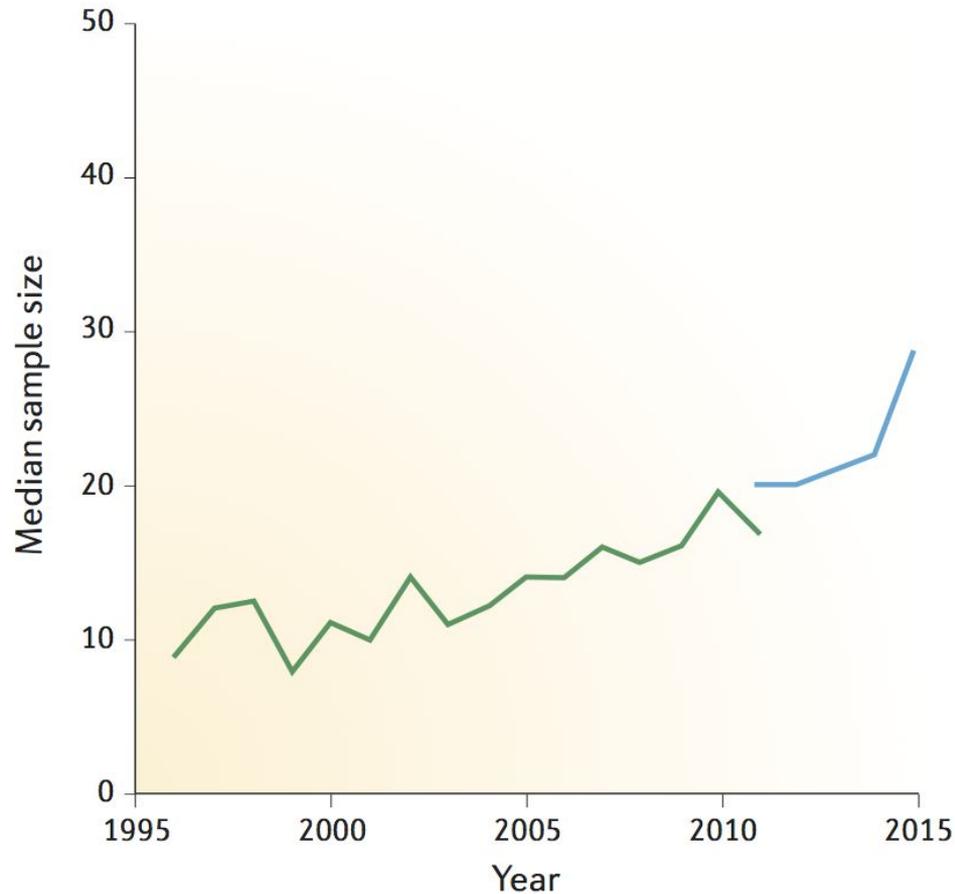
Sample sizes in brain imaging research



2015: 30 subjects / study

[Poldrack et. al, Nature Neuroscience 2017]

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Low diversity &
Low statistical power

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More and more open data are available!



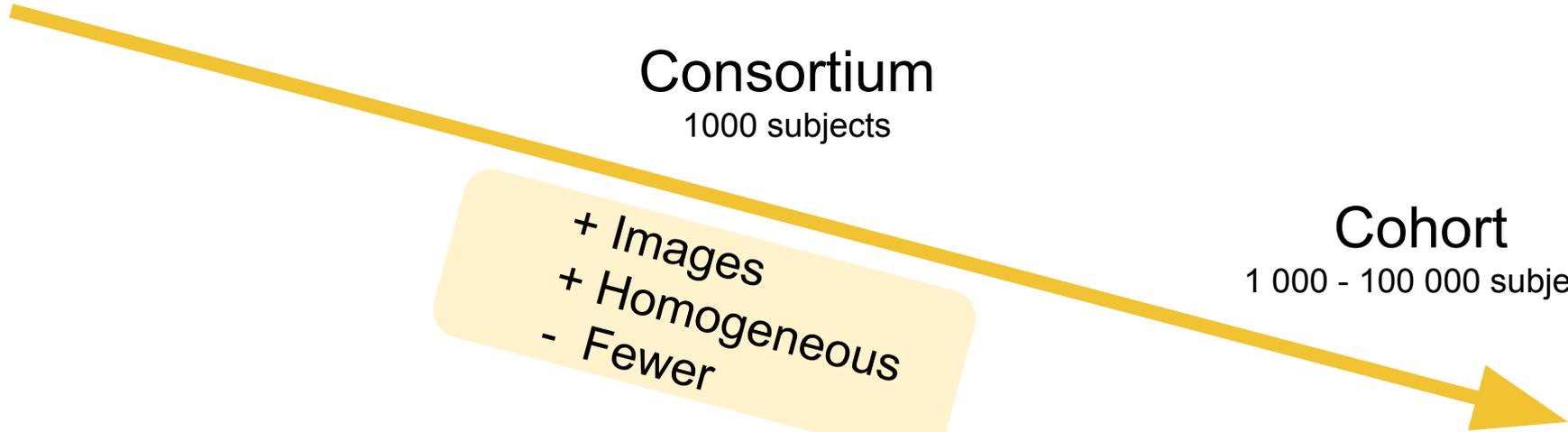
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Single study
30 subjects

Consortium
1000 subjects

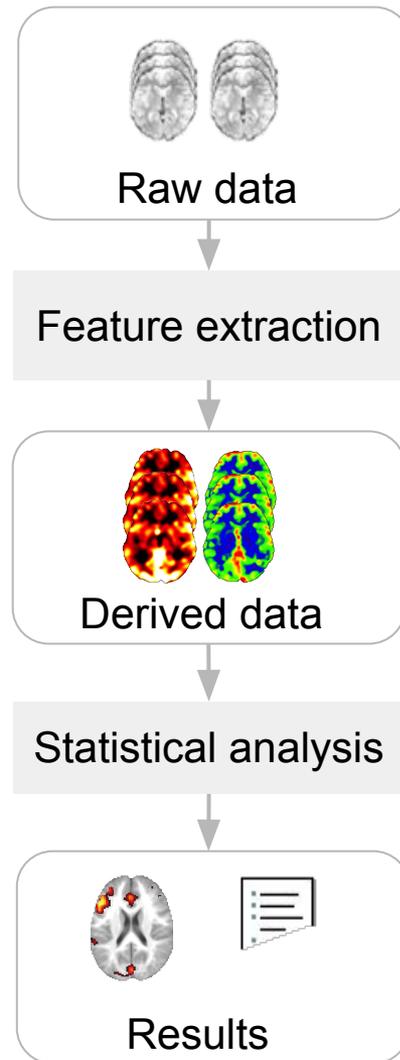
+ Images
+ Homogeneous
- Fewer

Cohort
1 000 - 100 000 subjects

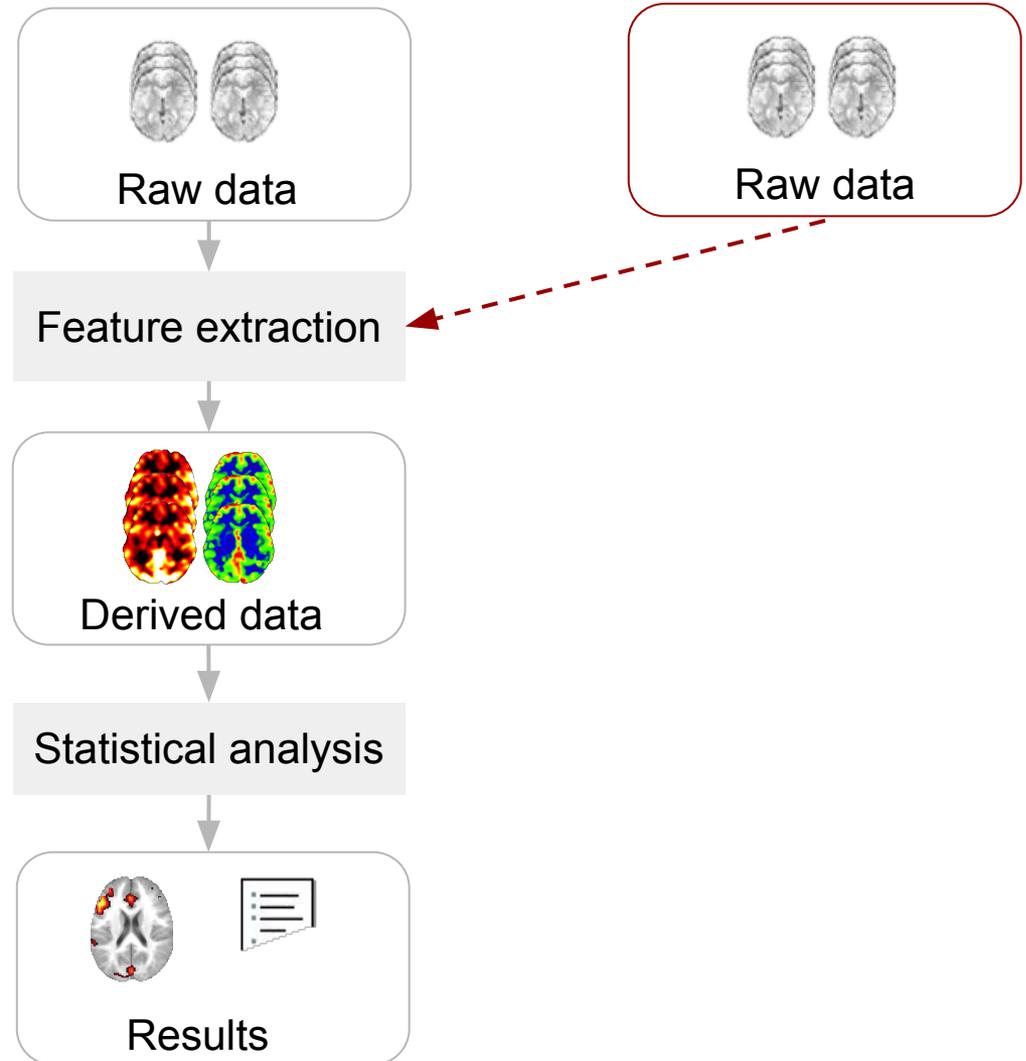


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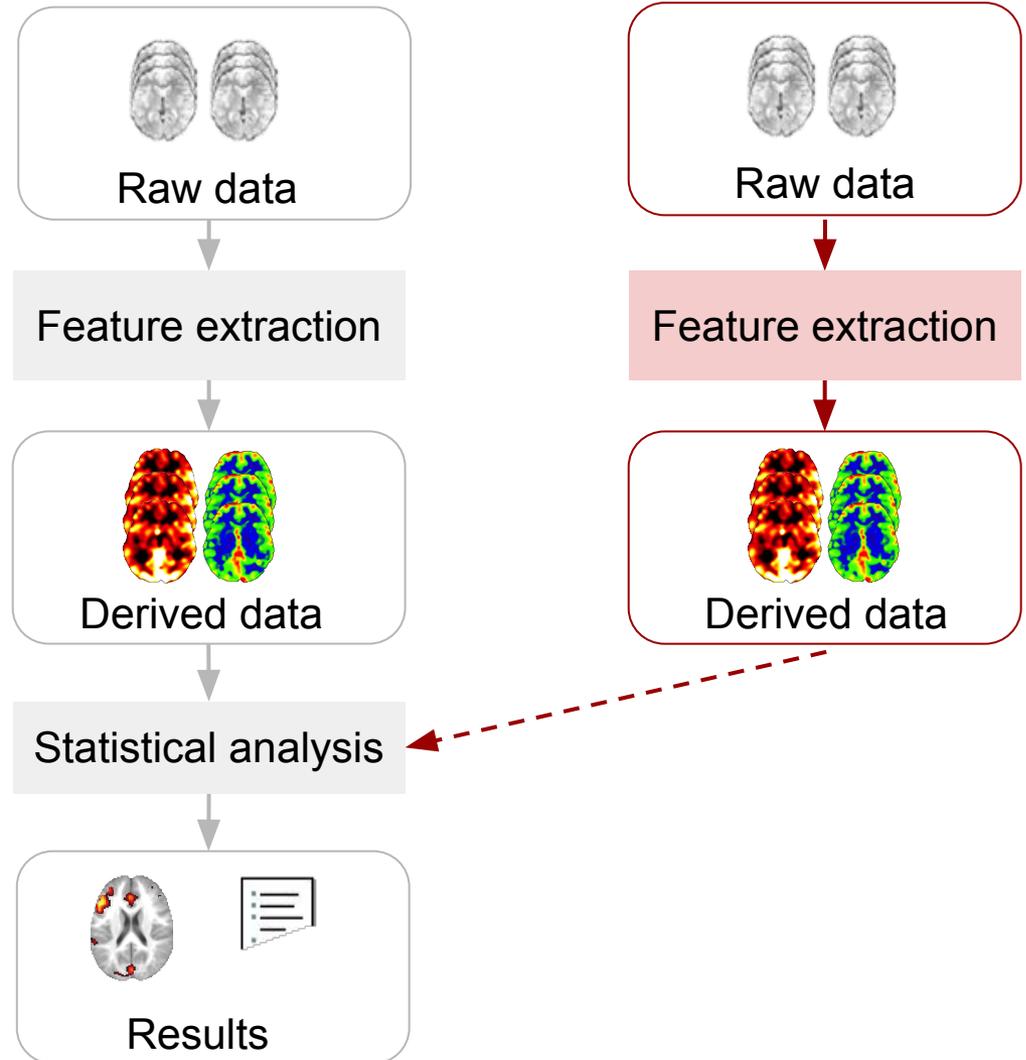
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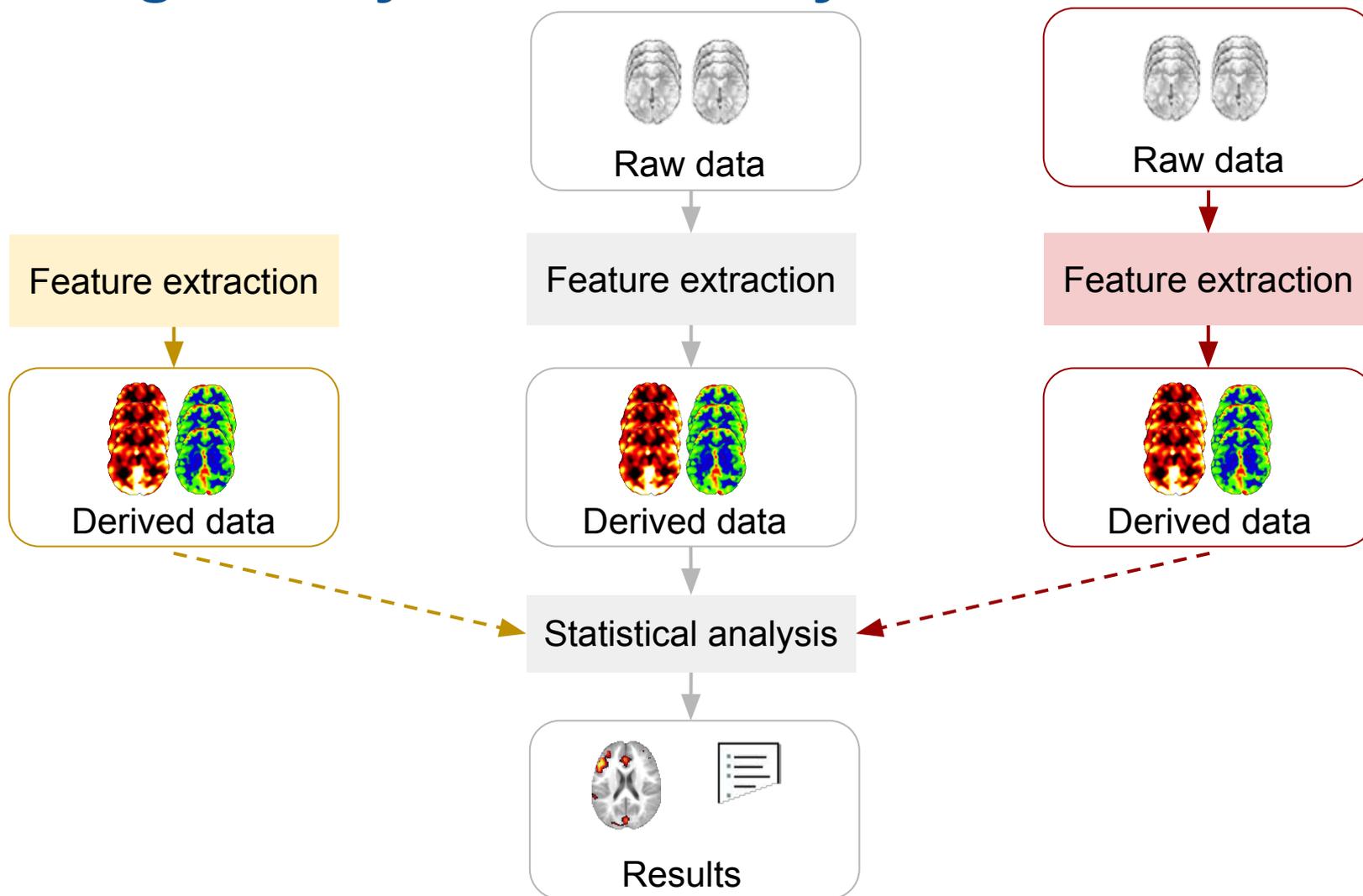
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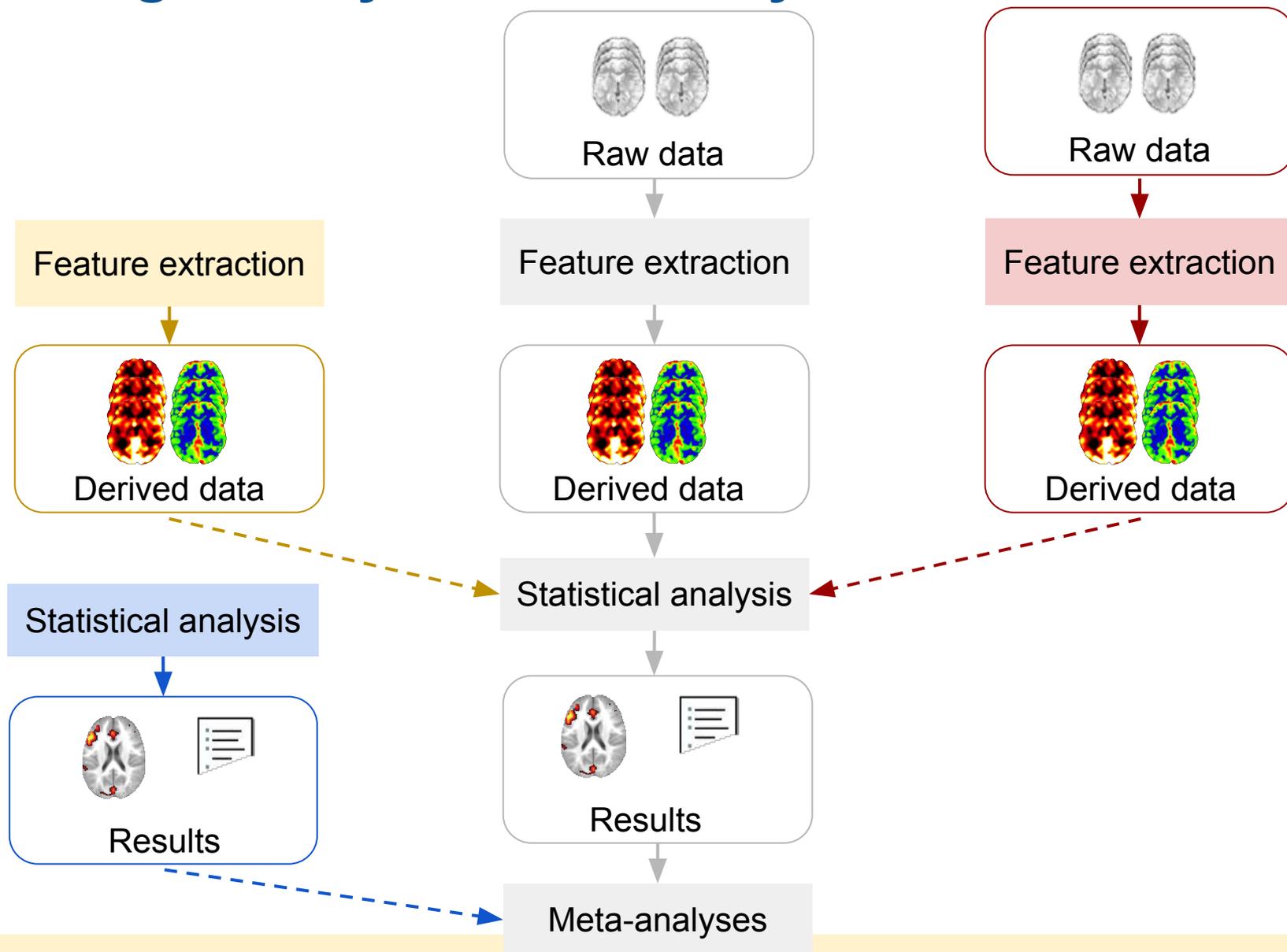
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Impact of Analysis Software on Task fMRI Results

- 3 published studies
- Reanalysed with 3 fMRI tools
- Reusing the same data

SPM

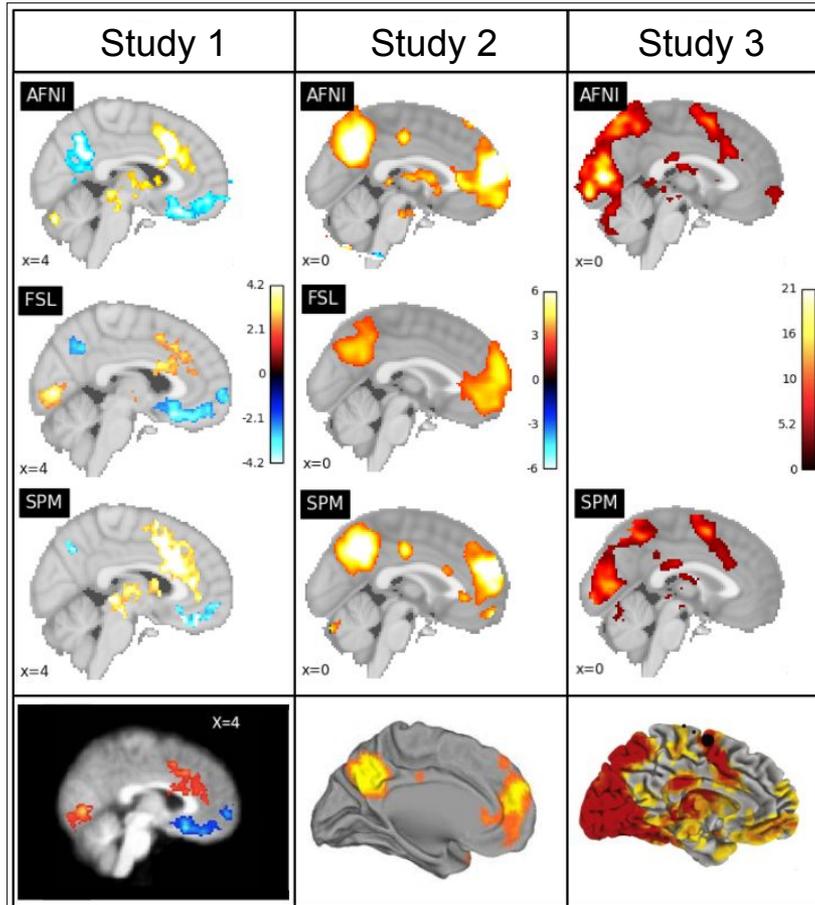


 OpenfMRI

Research question: how choice of software package impacts on analysis results?

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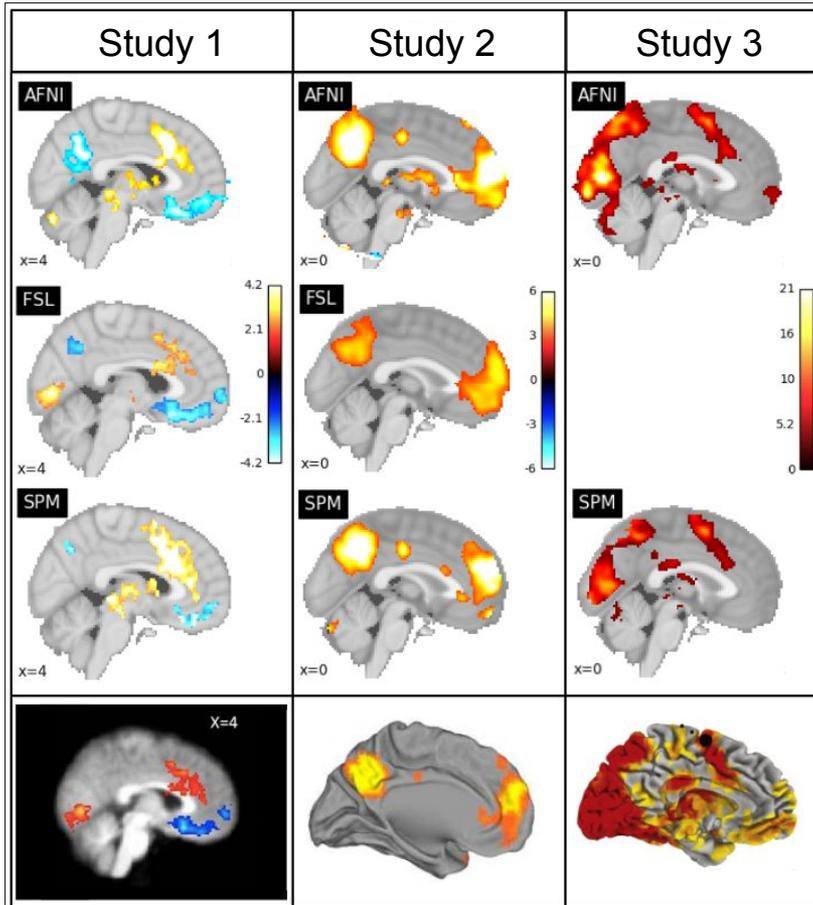
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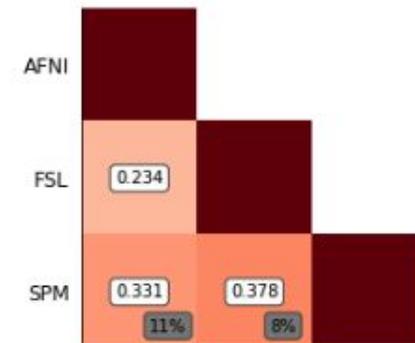
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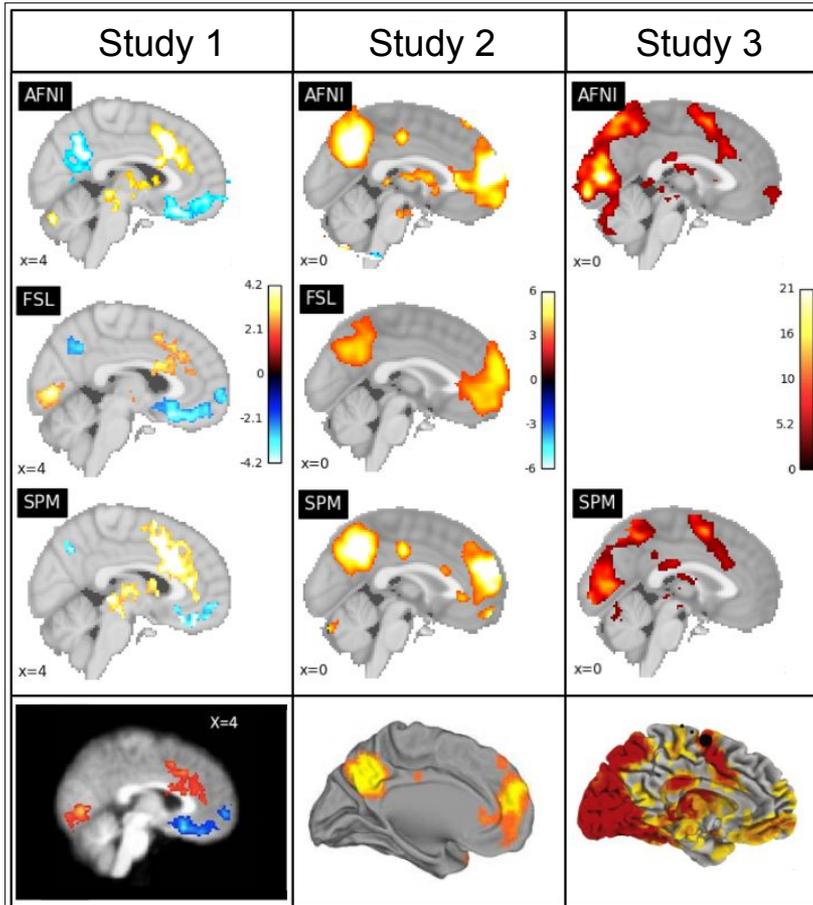
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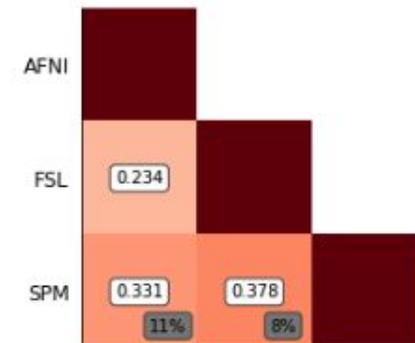
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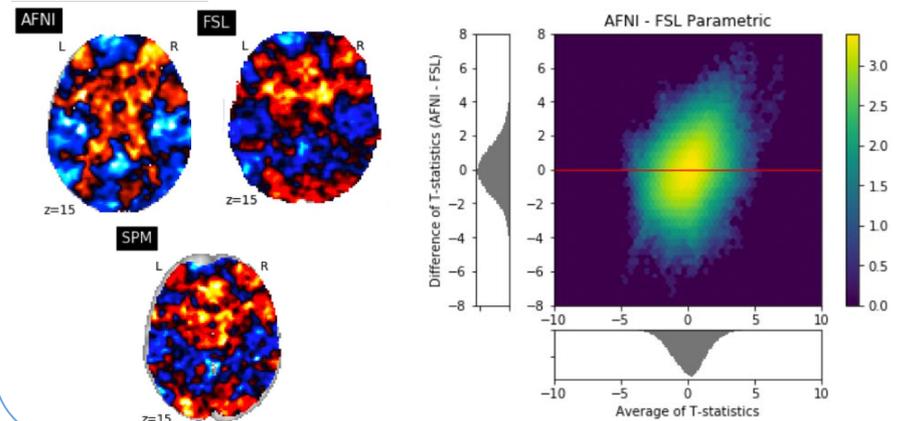
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Unthresholded statistics



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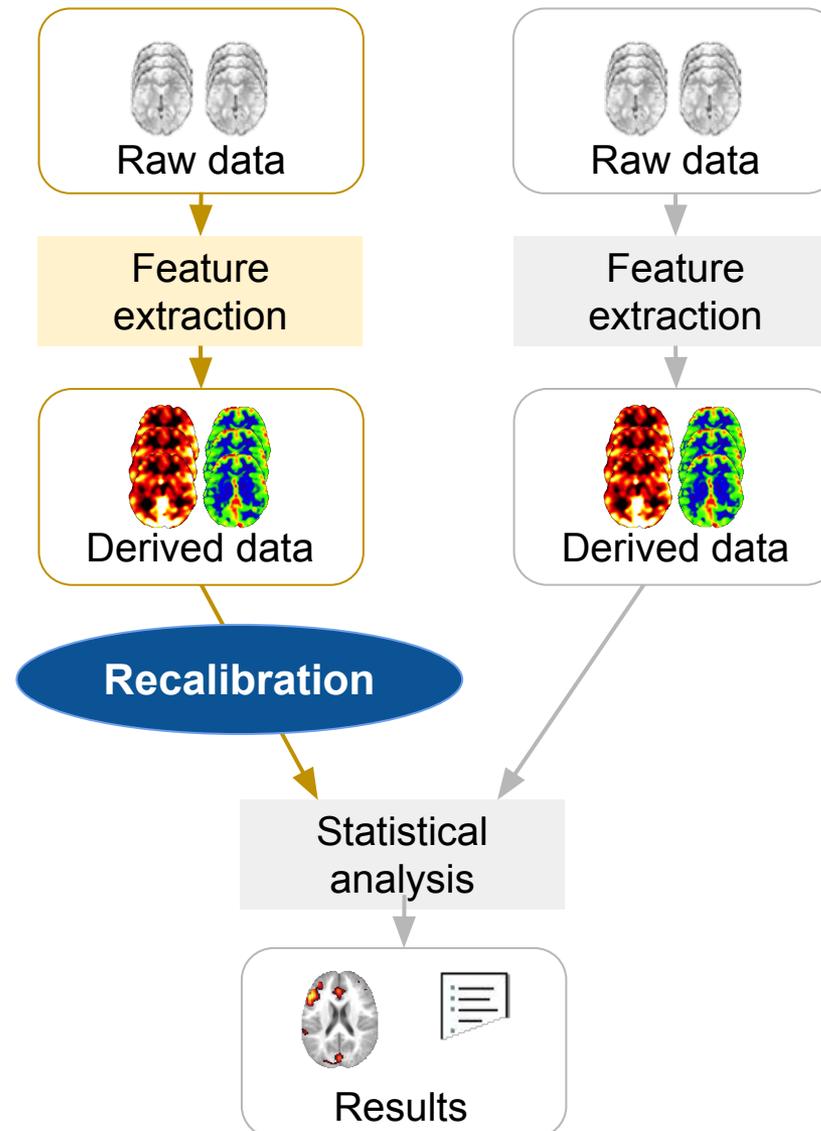
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- Challenges
 - Use the "same" pipeline across fMRI tools
 - Implementation details ↔ Methodological differences
 - How much difference is too much?
 - "Compatibility" across pipelines

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2. Remove unwanted "pipeline effect"



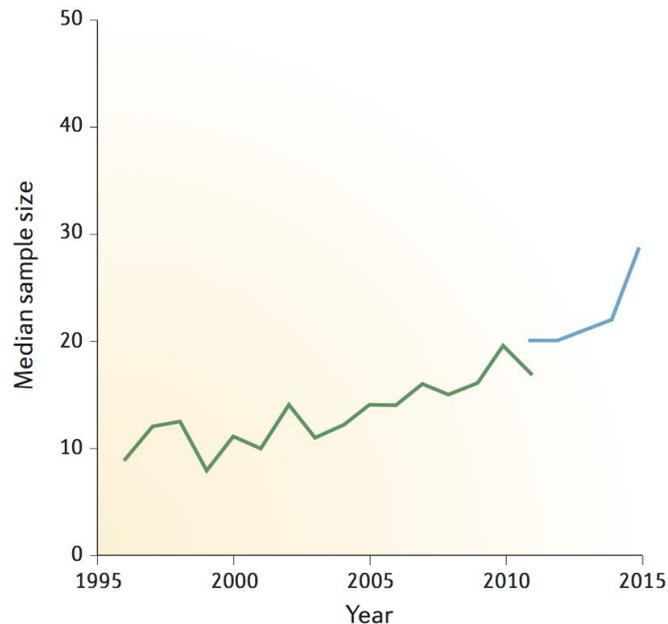


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