Welcome to the Radiomics Newsletter!

Dear SPP-colleagues,

This year is slowly coming to an end and we are happy to summarise in this 4th newsletter the results of our collaborative work within the SPP2177 Priority Programme. We have also gathered for you important announcements regarding future events and changes in personnel. We hope you enjoy reading this issue and we would appreciate any feedback.

Sincerely Yours, The Coordination Team
Midterm Meeting 2021 - project updates and networking

More than 50 members of the priority programme SPP2177 joined our midterm meeting on October 26th to exchange information about their projects. After a short warm welcome by the coordinator Prof. Dr. Fabian Bamberg, updates regarding the SPP joint publication and exciting presentations of each scientific subproject filled the afternoon. The event was highlighted by the final keynote lecture of Prof. Dr. Hugo Aerts, director of the Artificial Intelligence in Medicine (AIM) Program at Harvard-MGB, on "Artificial Intelligence and Radiomics in Clinical Radiology."

SPP2177: Joint publication - Delphi process

In order to push the prospective application of next-generation image analysis in clinical scenarios, the Priority Programme (SPP2177) has started a Delphi process to:

- establish a consensus of how to define the Radiomics workflow (to reflect already available publications as well as current state-of-the-art and research trends)
- identify the most relevant challenges that hinder the application, together with strategies to overcome those challenges.

The results of this Delphi process will be published in joint publications of the Priority Programme (SPP2177), to ensure a sustainable contribution for the whole community.
IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events 2022

24 - 25 JANUARY
Workshop (Online)
Impact of AI on Medicine and Society
*Detailed agenda and registration link will follow shortly*

MARCH
Gender Equality Calls
- Home Office Working Places
- Student-Assistant (HIWI) Support
*You will receive further information via E-Mail*

2nd Quarter
Early Career Researchers Workshop
- Project Management for Research
- Scientific Writing
*Further information coming up soon*

Calls for additional funding through coordination project

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic situation in 2020 and 2021, the requested networking activities of the SPP programme couldn't be performed as planned. For the third year of the financing period the programme committee therefore decided to distribute central funds of the coordination programme to the individual subprojects. This additional financing should support the specific research groups in 2022 with respect to networking (e.g. meetings, workshops, staff exchange) and enable local sites to promote young investigators with training courses, bridging stipends, etc.

The funds will be subject to DFGs „Flexibilisierte Förderung“ (flexible grants) concept and thus can be used for various expenses occurring with staffing, travelling, qualification and others.

At the beginning of 2022 the coordinator will perform a call for this additional funding. Interested projects/PIs can apply while submitting an informal motivation letter indicating the purpose for funds requested. The Programme Committee will be in charge of the assessment and approval procedure while aiming to start first payments in March.
Personnel changes

Dr. Katharina Gõbel-Gueniot will leave the project management office at the end of December 2021. We would like to thank her for her commitment and wish her a good start with her new assignment.

We are pleased to welcome Dr. Marco Janoschke, who has joined our team in November and will be further responsible for the SPP project management.

You can reach Dr. Marco Janoschke:

✓ via email at:
  marco.janoschke@uniklinik-freiburg.de
✓ by telephone at:
  +49-761-270 39792

We wish You a healthy and successful New Year 2022!