

Supplementary Material

1. Methods

1.1 Magnetic resonance imaging

Data were acquired on a clinical 3-T Philips Ingenia MRI-Scanner (Philips Healthcare, Best, The Netherlands) using a 32- and a 16-channel head/neck-receive-coil. Imaging procedures and calculation of quantitative parameter maps have been described in detail in previous publications (Kaczmarz et al., 2021, Göttler et al., 2019).

- *pseudo-continuous arterial spin labelling* (pCASL) was performed according to the recommendations of the ISMRM perfusion study group (Alsop et al., 2015). The labelling plane was individually planned based on a phase contrast angiography of the neck. Label duration 1800 ms; post label delay 2000 ms; four background-suppression pulses; segmented 3D gradient spin echo (GraSE) readout (TE = 7.4 ms, TR = 4377 ms, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, 16 slices, TSE factor 19, EPI factor 7, acquisition voxel size $2.75 \times 2.75 \times 6.0 \text{ mm}^3$), three dynamics including a proton density weighted M0 scan; acquisition time 5:41 min.
- *breath-hold functional MRI* (BH-fMRI) was based on single-shot EPI (TE = 30 ms, TR = 1200 ms, $\alpha = 70^\circ$, 38 slices, voxel size $3 \times 3 \times 3 \text{ mm}^3$, acquisition time 5:48 min) and performed according to Pillai et al. (Pillai and Mikulis, 2015) with five end-expiratory breath-holds of 15 s altered with 45 s of normal breathing.
- *dynamic susceptibility contrast* (DSC) MRI was obtained during a bolus injection of a weight-adjusted Gd-DOTA bolus (concentration: 0.5 mmol/ml, dose: 0.1 mmol/kg, at least 7.5 mmol per subject, flow rate 4 ml/s, injection 7.5 s after DSC imaging onset) using 80 single-shot gradient-echo EPI (TE = 30 ms, TR = 1513 ms, $\alpha = 60^\circ$, FOV $224 \times 224 \times 100 \text{ mm}^3$, voxel size $2 \times 2 \times 3.5 \text{ mm}^3$, 26 slices, acquisition time 2:01 min).
- *T2-mapping* based on an eight-echo gradient spin echo (GraSE; TE_{min} = Δ TE = 16ms, TR = 8596 ms, EPI factor 47, voxel size $2 \times 2 \times 3 \text{ mm}^3$, 30 slices, acquisition time 2:23 min).
- *T2*-mapping* based on a 12-echo gradient echo (GE, TE_{min} = Δ TE = 5 ms, TR = 1950 ms, $\alpha = 30^\circ$, voxel size $2 \times 2 \times 3 \text{ mm}^3$, 30 slices, acquisition time 6:08 min).
- *Structural imaging* involved MPRAGE (TE = 4 ms, TR = 9 ms, $\alpha = 8^\circ$, TI = 1000 ms, shot interval 2300 ms, 170 slices, FOV $240 \times 240 \times 170 \text{ mm}^3$, voxel size $1.0 \times 1.0 \times 1.0 \text{ mm}^3$, acquisition time 5:59 min) for tissue segmentation and FLAIR (TE = 289 ms, TR = 4800 ms, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, inversion delay 1650 ms, TSE factor 167, 163 slices, FOV $250 \times 250 \times 183 \text{ mm}^3$, voxel size $1.12 \times 1.12 \times 1.12 \text{ mm}^3$, acquisition time 4:34 min) to screen for brain lesions.

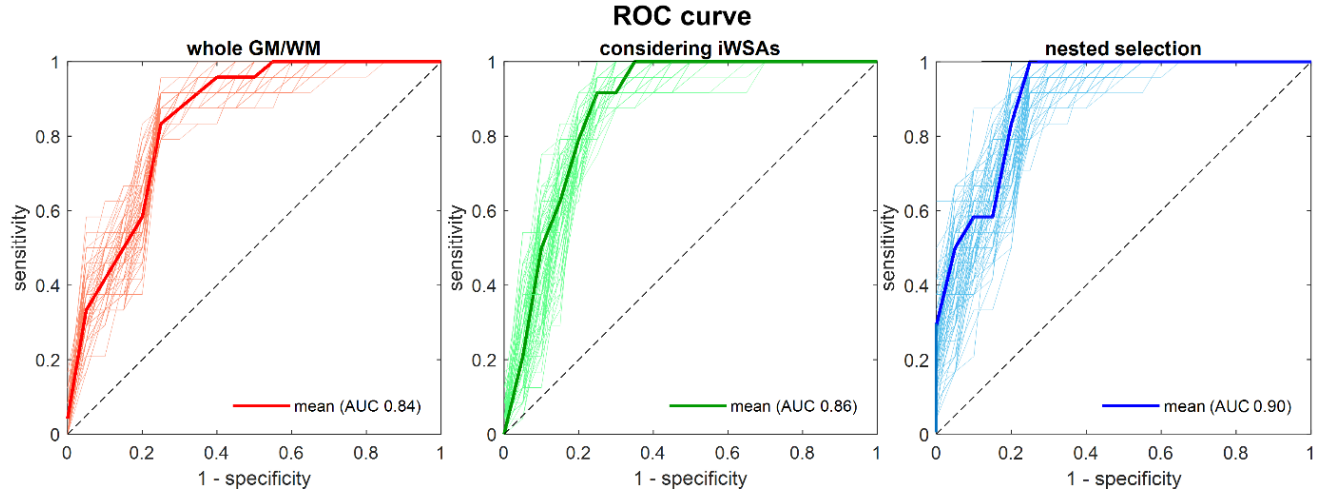
1.2 Calculation of MRI parameter maps

All MR image processing procedures used custom MATLAB programs (MATLAB R2016b, MathWorks, Natick, MA, USA) and SPM12 (Wellcome Trust Centre for Neuroimaging, UCL, London, UK) and were conducted as reported previously (Kaczmarz et al., 2021, Kaczmarz et al., 2018, Göttler et al., 2019).

Eight quantitative maps of perfusion, oxygenation and microvascular parameters were obtained.

- *Quantitative CBF* was based on pCASL. Label and control images were motion corrected, averaged, and subtracted. CBF maps were calculated following (Alsop et al., 2015) and smoothed using a Full Width at Half Maximum (FWHM) Gaussian kernel of 5 mm. No arterial transit time artefacts were observed by careful visual inspection of unsmoothed CBF maps (by JG, CP, SK) nor by analysis of the spatial coefficient of variation. (Mutsaerts et al., 2017, Göttler et al., 2018)
- *Qualitative CVR* maps were deduced from motion corrected BH-fMRI (Pillai and Mikulis, 2015). After correcting for a global time delay, CVR was assessed using beta-values that were calculated by regression of a respiratory response function. (Vondráčková et al., 2016)
- *TTP* was derived from slice-timing corrected DSC-MRI. TTP maps were calculated as the interval between global bolus arrival time and each voxel's peak signal loss (Kaczmarz et al., 2018) and smoothed using an isotropic Gaussian kernel of 6-mm FWHM.
- *MTT, CTH and OEC* were obtained from DSC-MRI by means of a parametric modelling approach (Mouridsen et al., 2014).
- *rCBV* was calculated from DSC data with leakage correction and semiautomated AIF definition as reported previously (Kluge et al., 2016, Hedderich et al., 2019).
- *rOEF* was obtained by quantification of the BOLD effect using a multi-parametric approach (Hirsch et al., 2014) and an analytical relationship between $R2'$, venous CBV and venous oxygenation (Yablonskiy and Haacke, 1994). $rOEF = R2' / (c \cdot rCBV)$ was calculated from $R2' = (1/T2^*) - (1/T2)$ and leakage corrected rCBV using $c = 4/3 \cdot \pi \cdot \gamma \cdot \Delta\chi \cdot B_0 = 317 \text{ Hz}$ at 3 Tesla. (Kaczmarz et al., 2020)

2. Results



Supplementary figure 1: ROC curves of three random forest models. Features were derived from whole GM/WM VOIs (red) and from inside and outside of iWSAs without using (green) and with using nested feature selection (blue), respectively. The thin lines represent ROC curves of single iterations, and the thicker lines represent the mean ROC curve using 100 times averaged scores. Considering iWSAs yielded higher scores than whole GM/WM VOIs. Additional feature selection increased the AUC further. iWSA: individual watershed area, GM: gray matter, WM: white matter, ROC: receiver operating characteristics, AUC: area under the curve.

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