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Computational Renal Pathology: Growing Opportunities for Engineers



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Modern advances in digitization of histopathological slides and parallel advancements in computer hardware have opened up new opportunities for the computational focused image analysis. Thus far cancer pathology has been the main area of computational application, however the study of renal pathology using computational tools is on the rise. In this talk, I will introduce computational pathology using examples from renal pathology, and discuss applications and challenges of applying machine learning tools for detection, segmentation, quantification, and classification of microanatomical structures from digital renal histology whole slide images. I will also sketch ideas for the integration of non-image metadata, and discuss ongoing efforts for the development of an end-user web platform for disbursing these tools to the broader community. I will conclude by discussing potential barriers that still need to be addressed for adopting these developed tools in clinical practice.

Biosketch

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