

Large-scale unbiased eye atlases in MRI

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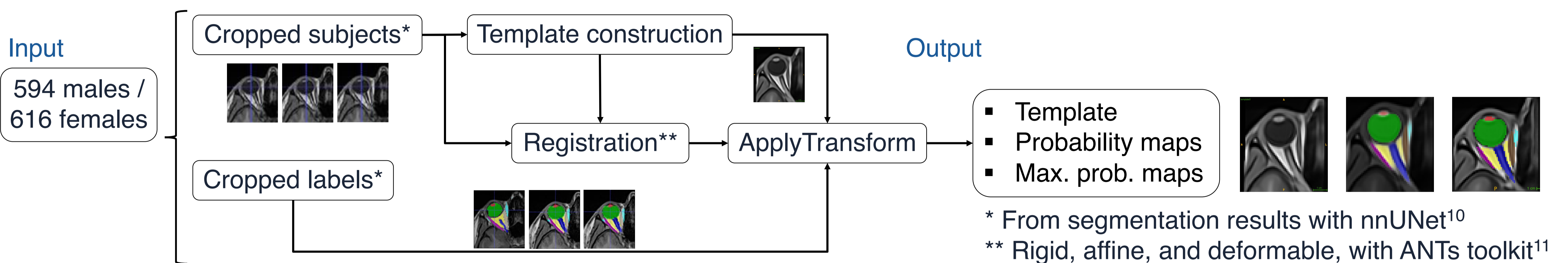
BACKGROUND

- **Brain** anatomical and probability atlases have played a pivotal role in **neuroimaging** research, offering a **standardized framework** for spatial normalization and quantitative analysis across diverse populations^{1,2,3}.
- However, they are **currently lacking** in the field of **ophthalmic imaging**.
- A recent study⁴ has developed eye atlases in MRI, covering various contrasts (T1w pre-contrast, T1w post-contrast, T2w TSE, and T2w FLAIR) based on 100 images, **but they are not public**.
- Despite this first effort, there is still the need for **large-scale unbiased eye atlases per sex** (males and females), recommended by clinicians, as sex anatomical differences may play a crucial role in various diseases^{6,7,8,9}, e.g. **endocrine orbitopathy**.

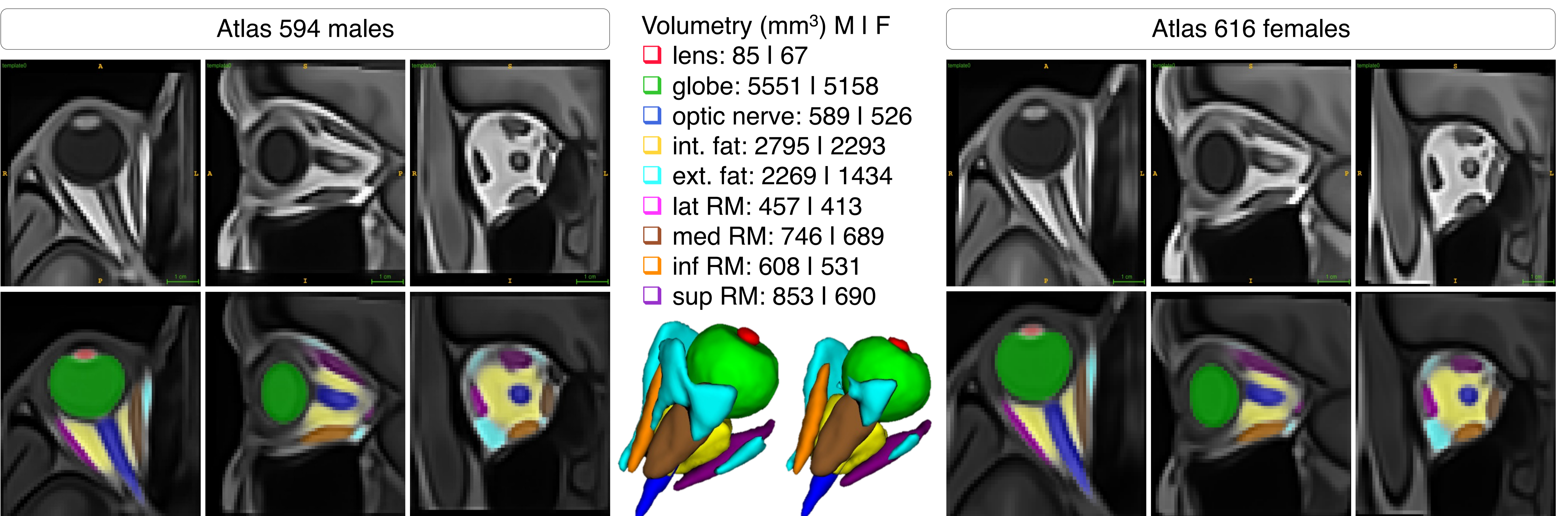
AIMS

The goal is to provide **the first public large-scale unbiased atlases per sex in MRI**, T1w images in our case, along with their detailed labels for **healthy eye and orbit structures**. The availability of these atlases will facilitate the diagnosis and treatment of a wide range of **ocular diseases**, improving surgical planning, and enhancing our understanding of sex-specific variations in eye anatomy and physiology.

METHODS



RESULTS



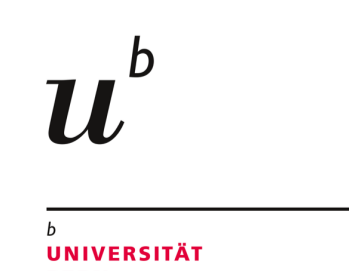
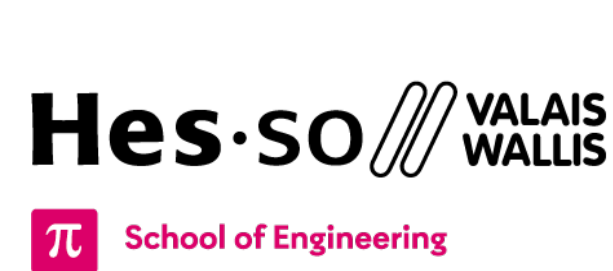
CONCLUSION

- These atlases offer a valuable resource for advancing the study of **ocular anatomy** and can significantly support the accuracy of eye-related research and clinical applications, as has been largely demonstrated for brain studies.
- Furthermore, they enable **colocalization and navigation** within the eye, serving as a standardized spatial reference. This facilitates the exploration of quantitative geometric measurements of eye morphology and structures, even in the presence of systematic population differences.
- **Publicly available** at Zenodo! DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.13325371

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