



# Mental Illness Recognition Through Neuroimaging and Deep Learning

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## Background [1]-[6]

Current diagnoses use DSM-V & ICD-10

Poor understanding of biological mechanisms

Clinical observation vs. Pathology

Potentially invalid criteria

Reliance on clinician discretion

- Over and under specificity
- Symptom overlap between disorders
- Heterogeneity

## Psychotic Spectrum Disorders [7]-[9]

Psychosis: symptom of psychiatric condition (primary) or underlying disease (secondary)

Primary Psychosis

Schizophrenia, Schizoaffective Disorder, Schizophreniform Disorder, Brief Psychotic Disorder, Delusional Disorder, Bipolar Disorder, Major Depressive Disorder, Post-traumatic Stress Disorder

### Overlapping Symptoms

PANSS Subscales

Positive

- P1. Delusions
- P2. Conceptual disorganization
- P3. Hallucinatory behavior
- P4. Excitement
- P5. Grandiosity
- P6. Suspiciousness
- P7. Hostility

Negative

- N1. Blunted affect
- N2. Poor rapport
- N3. Poor Rapport
- N4. Passive/apathetic social withdrawal
- N5. Difficulty in Abstract Thinking
- N6. Lack of spontaneity and flow in conversations
- N7. Stereotyped thinking

## Research Questions

- Can we identify biomarkers corresponding to mental illness?
- Can we identify biomarkers corresponding to symptoms?
- What is the relationship between biomarkers associated with disorders and those associated with symptoms?

## Approach

### Data Inputs

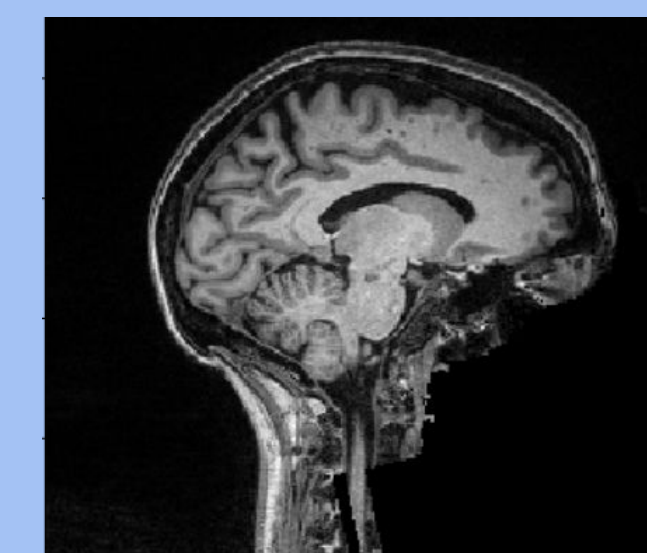
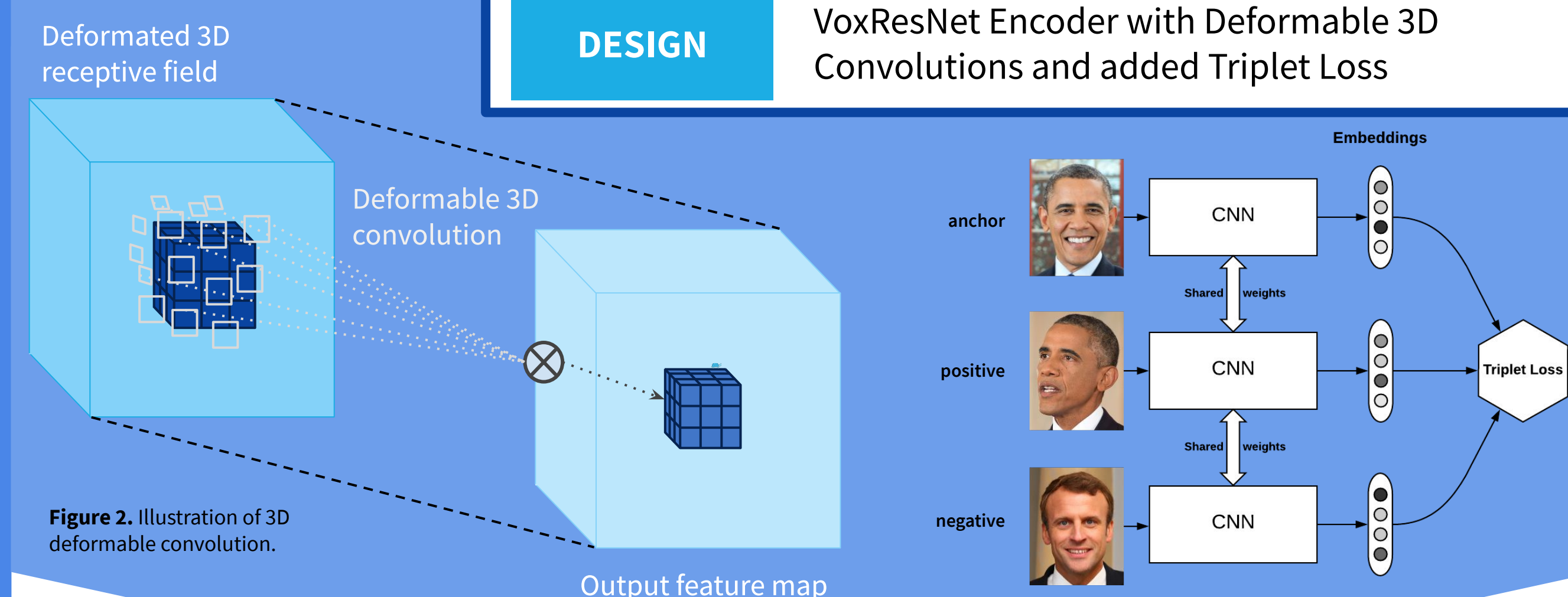


Fig. 1. Structural MRI image from the UCLA Consortium.

- Sources** NIMH Data Archive (NDA)  
UCLA Consortium for Neuropsychiatric Phenomics
- Scan Type** T1-weighted, anonymized, defaced structural MRI
- Symptom data** Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS), a diagnostic questionnaire

### Model Framework

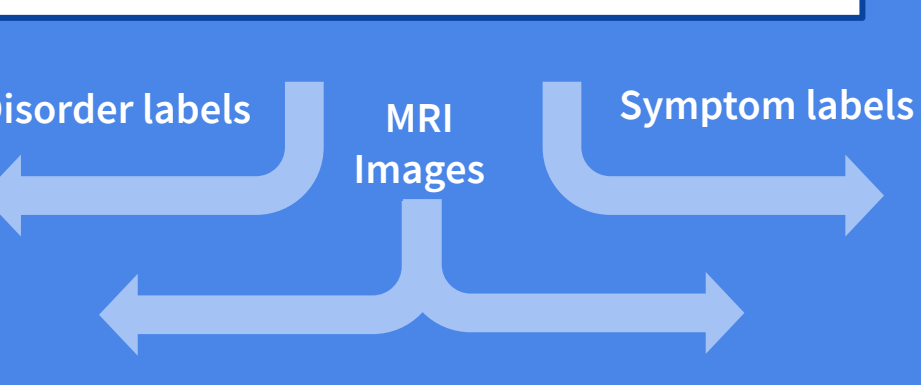
- WHY ML?** Use machine learning to identify patterns in large, complex MRI data
- DESIGN** VoxResNet Encoder with Deformable 3D Convolutions and added Triplet Loss



### Model Training

Use models built on the same backbone and train on different data

Model(s) learning the regions of the brain associated with specific mental disorders



Model(s) learning the regions of the brain associated with specific symptoms patients experience

### Analysis

1

Compare and contrast the differing areas of attention to find overlapping biomarkers for symptoms that typically occur with specific disorders and those that share areas of attention

2

Combine models for use in simultaneous detailed multi-symptom and multi-disorder classification

3

Use embeddings generated by models to view MRI data in a new feature space to show how distinct labels relate

## Results

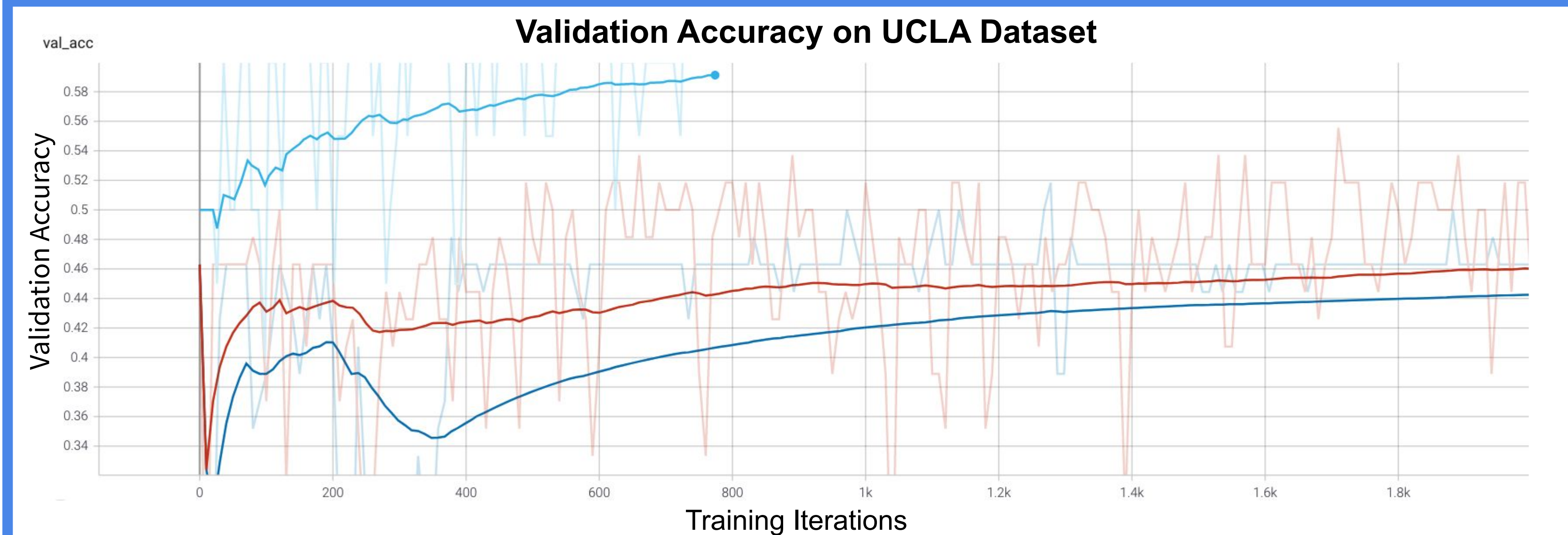
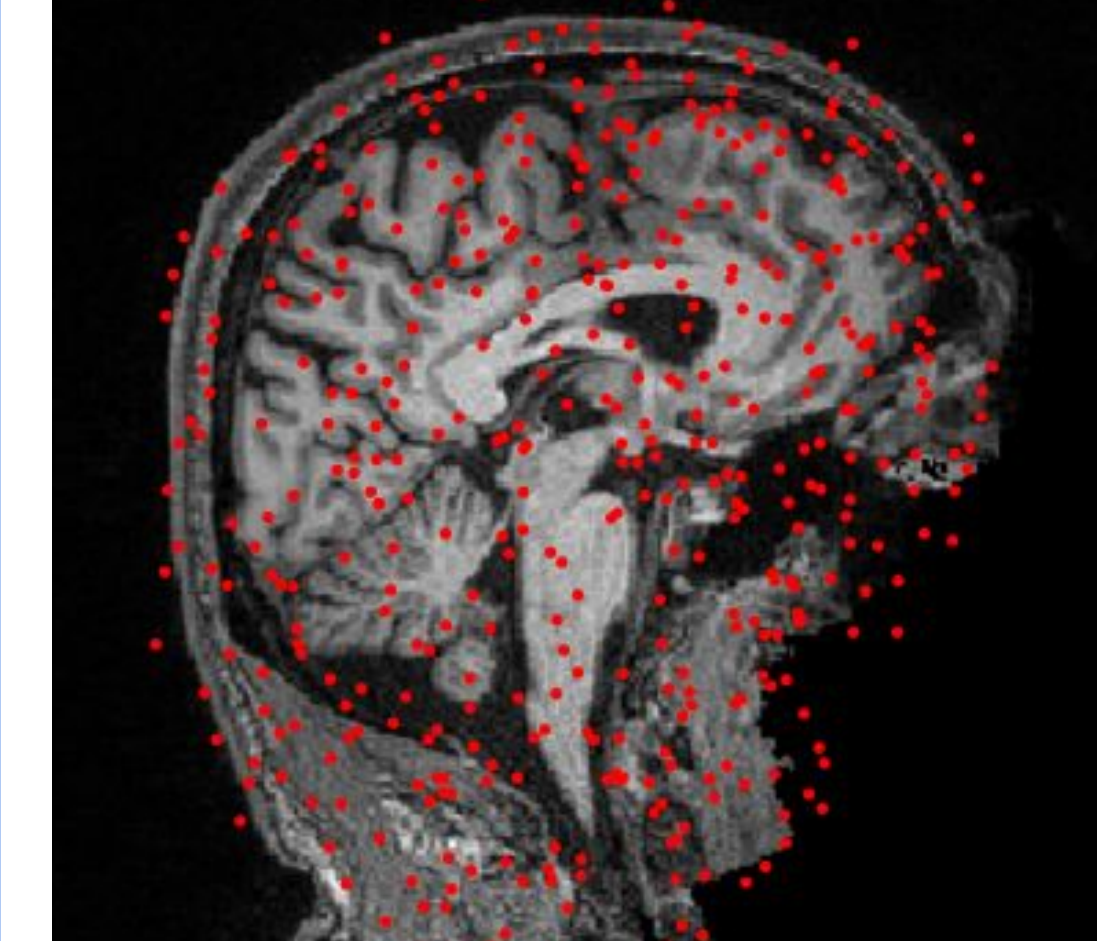


Figure 4. Validation accuracy comparison between three experiments

- 59% performance on classification of Schizophrenia vs Bipolar (Light blue)
- 46% performance on multiclass classification (between healthy, schizophrenic, bipolar, and ADHD individuals) (Orange)
- 44% performance on multiclass classification with added triplet loss (Dark blue)

a) Bipolar Disorder (BD)



b) Attention Hyper Deficit Disorder (ADHD)

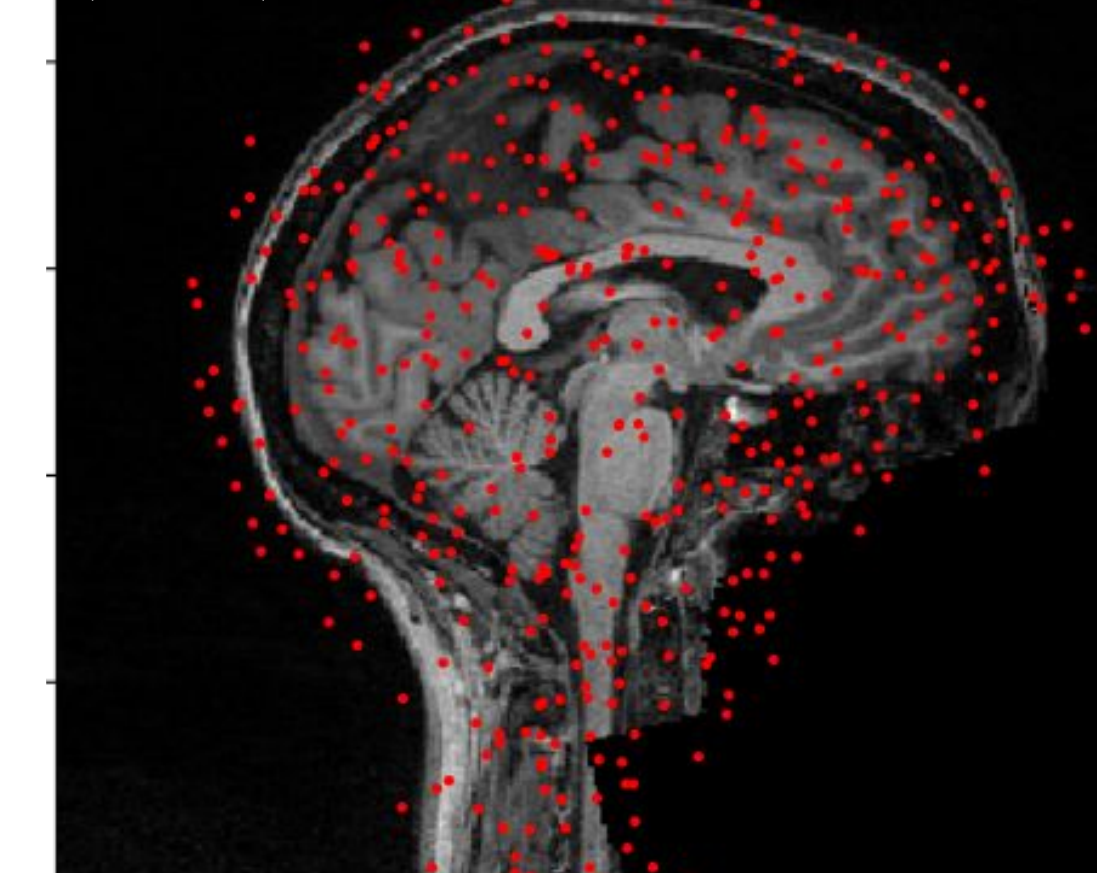
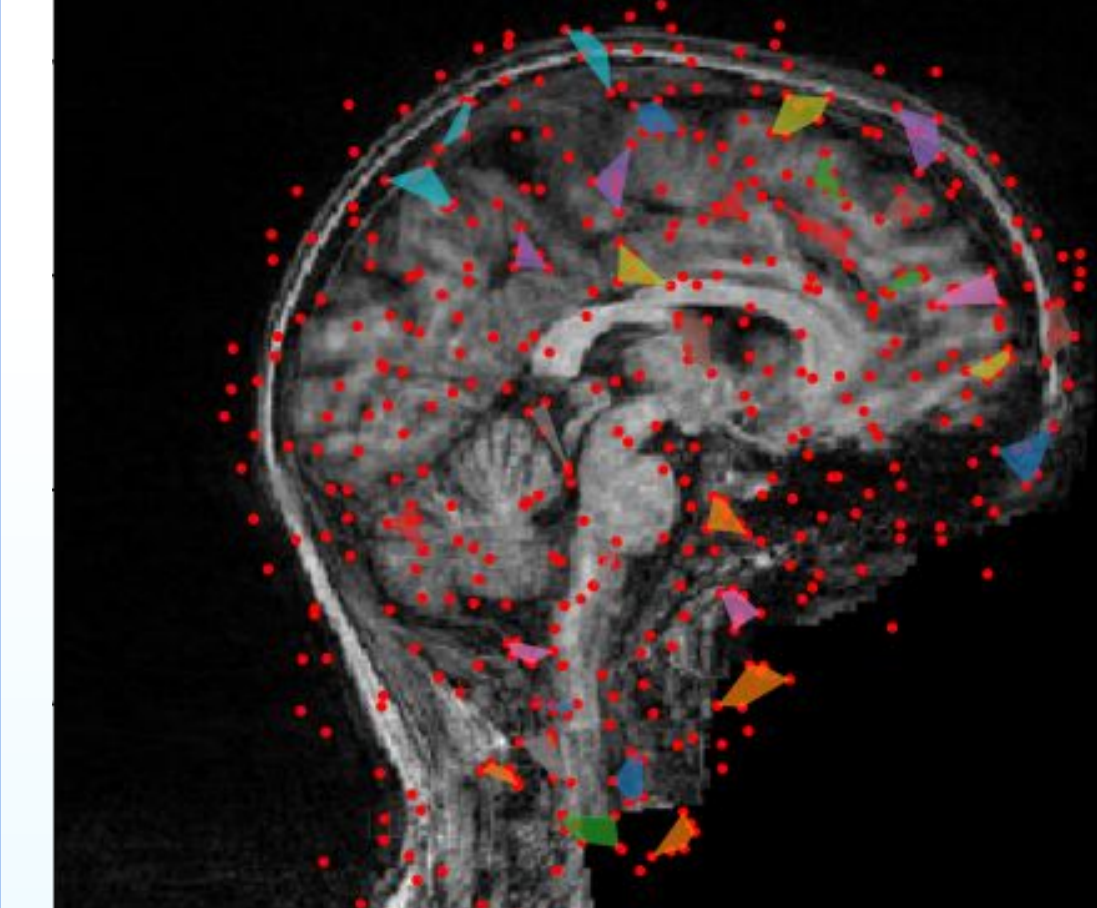


Figure 5. Visualization of learned offsets from supervised model from a) a patient with bipolar disorder, and b) a patient with ADHD.

Red dots indicate the voxels of greatest deformation the model sampled when predicting diagnosis. The data used for this was from the UCLA Consortium dataset which included Control, ADHD, SCZ, and BD MRI scans.

a) Control



b) Schizophrenia (SCZ)

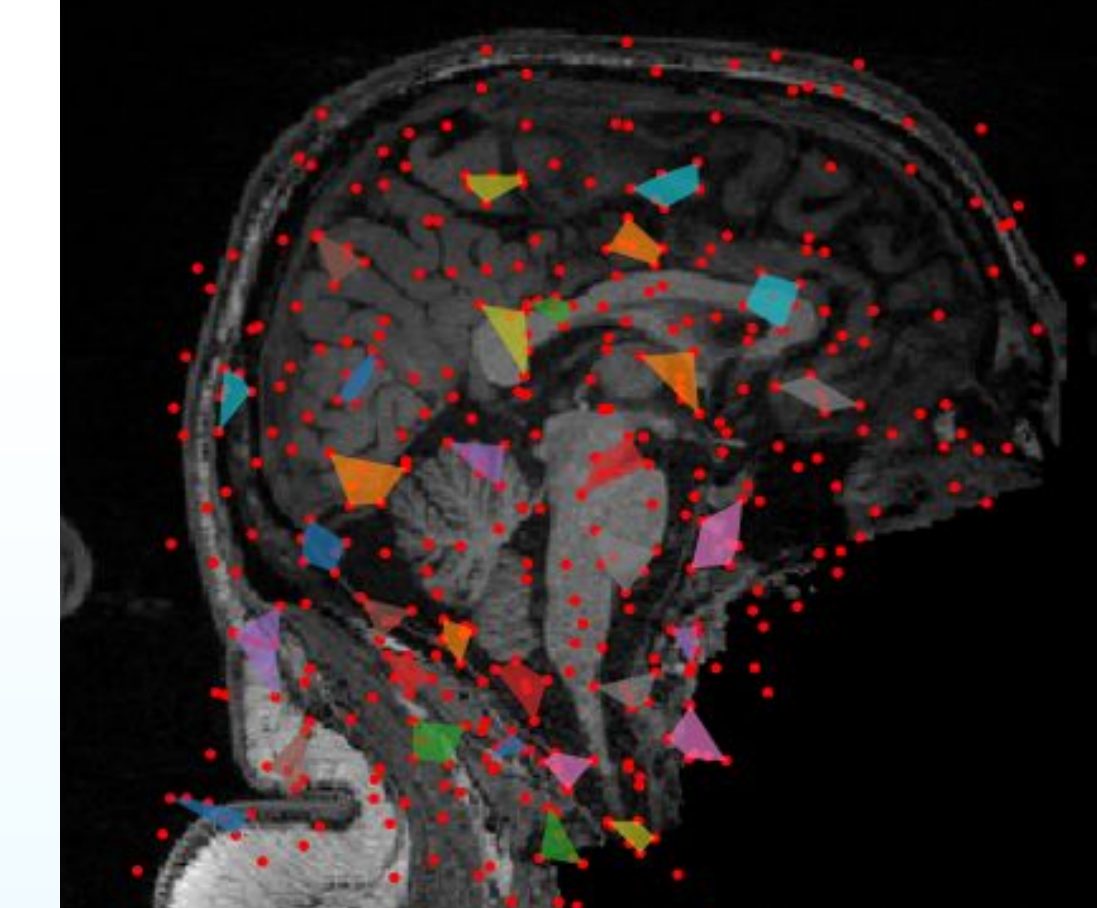


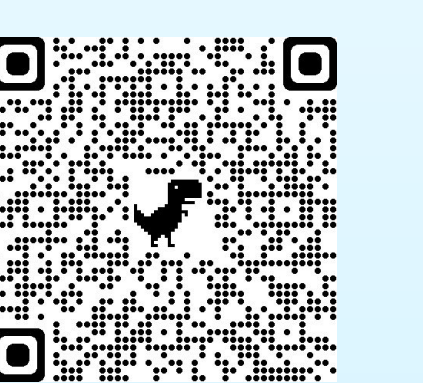
Figure 6. Further clusterings of offset points on structural MRI from a) a healthy control, and b) a patient with schizophrenia.

The colored areas indicate regions of points which were closer to than to all other points each other than other points. This potentially indicates areas of greatest interest to the model and thus be possible biomarkers.

## Future Work

- Incorporate multiple datasets to train model from NDA
- Move analysis to include functional MRI images and inspect how they differ from the anatomical MRI
- Develop unsupervised model that clusters scans based on deep features without information about diagnosis or symptoms
- Compare symptoms across different diseases

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