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Radiomic/Radiogenomic approach and use of artificial intelligence in pediatric brain tumors: our MB experience

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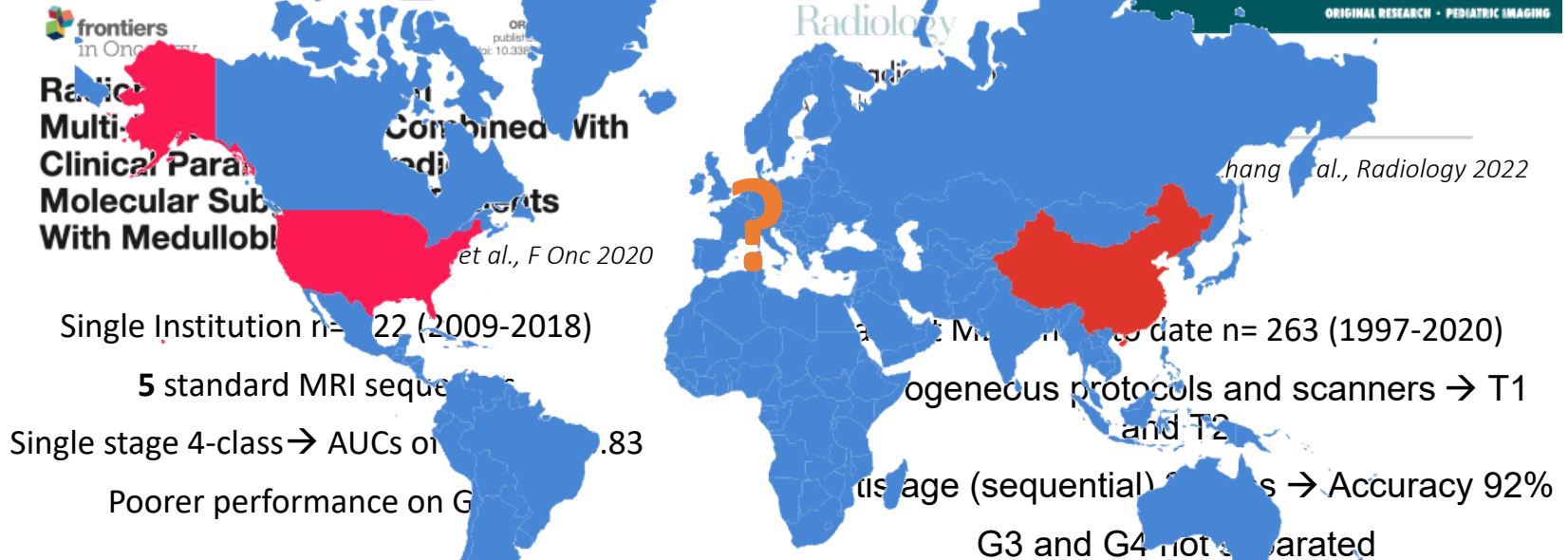
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Background and Introduction

Insight into tumor biology → **RADIOMICS** → accurate risk stratification



AIM OF THE STUDY

Develop a predictive model for molecular subgroups of MBs based on both radiomics and clinical data from a single European Institution

Methods and Patients (1) – PATIENT SELECTION and MRI

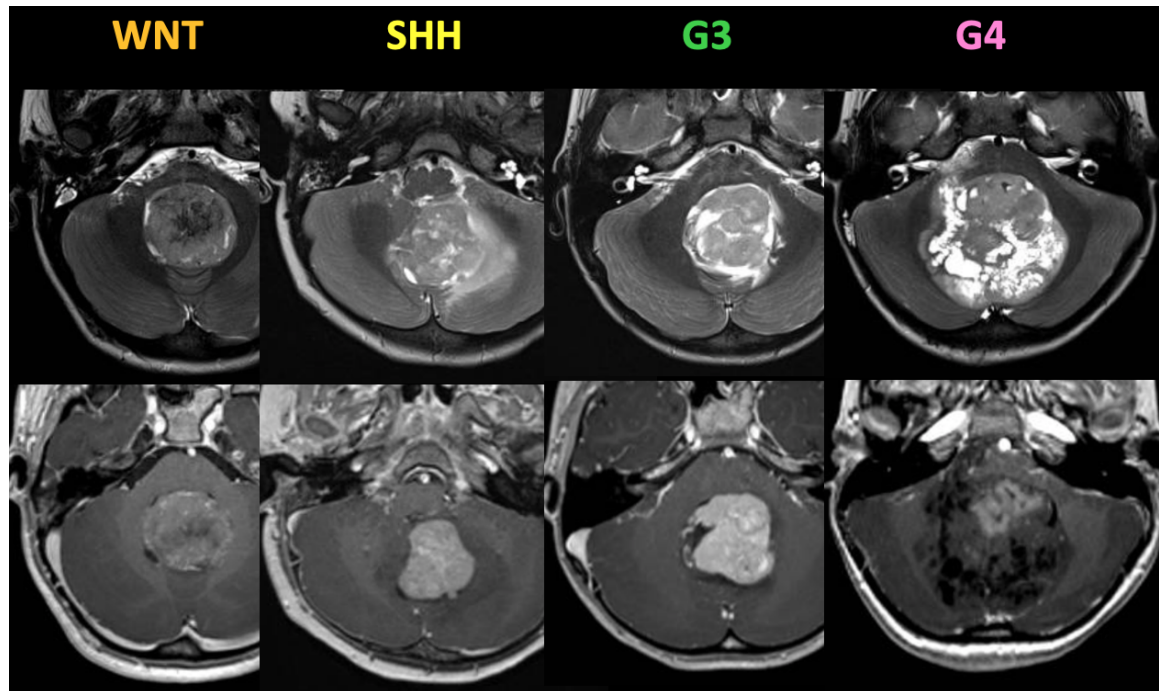
Retrospective study → 55 Patients Jan 2011- Dec 2020 @ BGCH

Standard preoperative MRI protocol 3T scanner (Magnetom Skyra, Siemens)

INCLUSION CRITERIA:

Availability of:

- Pre-op MRI (including Gd+ MPRAGE, Ax T2 TSE, Ax FLAIR and ADC map)
- Clinical variables (age, sex, tumor location)
- Molecular status



EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Pre-op MRI outside BGCH
- Artifacts

Methods and Patients (2) – RADIOMICS PIPELINE

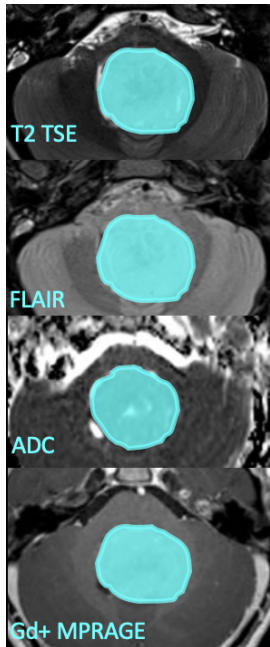
Tumor segmentation

Features Extraction

Feature selection

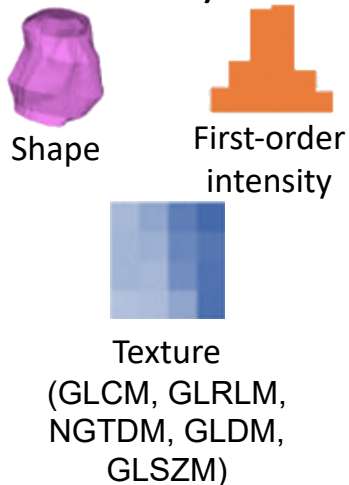
Model Development and Analysis

Pre-processing (Python)
Itk-SNAP (v 3.8)



PyRadiomics on VOIs

IBSI-based Radiomic Features (10 built-in filters)



Radiomic Features

+

Clinical Data

RELEVANT and
REPRODUCIBLE

Training → 60%

Testing → 40%

BORUTA +

- SVM
- RF
- LR

PLS +

- SVM
- RF
- LR

+/- SMOTE

Model DEVELOPMENT

BINARY

WNT/SHH

VS

G3/G4

MULTICLASS

WNT vs

SHH vs

G3/G4

Model

PERFORMANCE

Sensitivity, Specificity

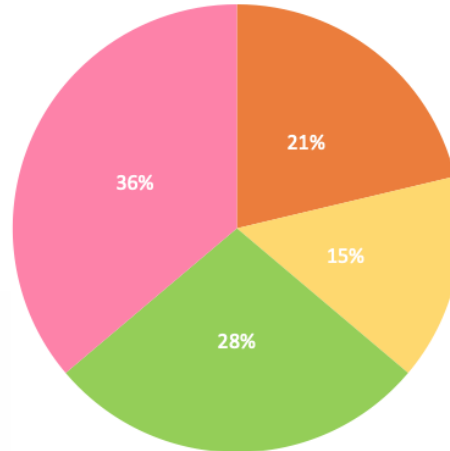
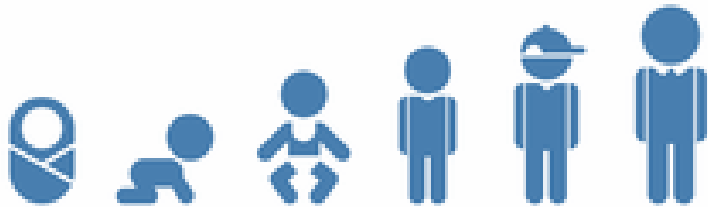
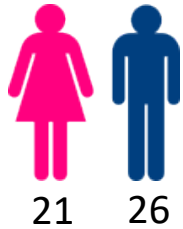
Accuracy, AUC

TESTING COHORT

LR=Logistic regression; PLS=Partial Least Squares;
RF=Random Forest; SMOTE=Synthetic Minority Oversampling
Technique; SVM=Support Vector Machine

Results (1) – FEATURES of the STUDY COHORT

47 patients met the selection criteria



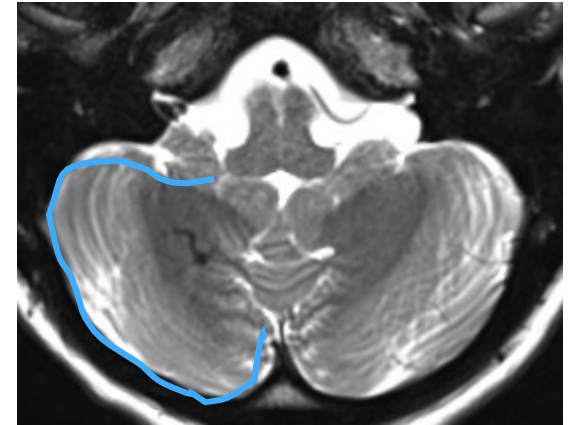
■ WNT ■ SHH ■ G3 ■ G4

WNT 10

SHH 7

G3 13

G4 17



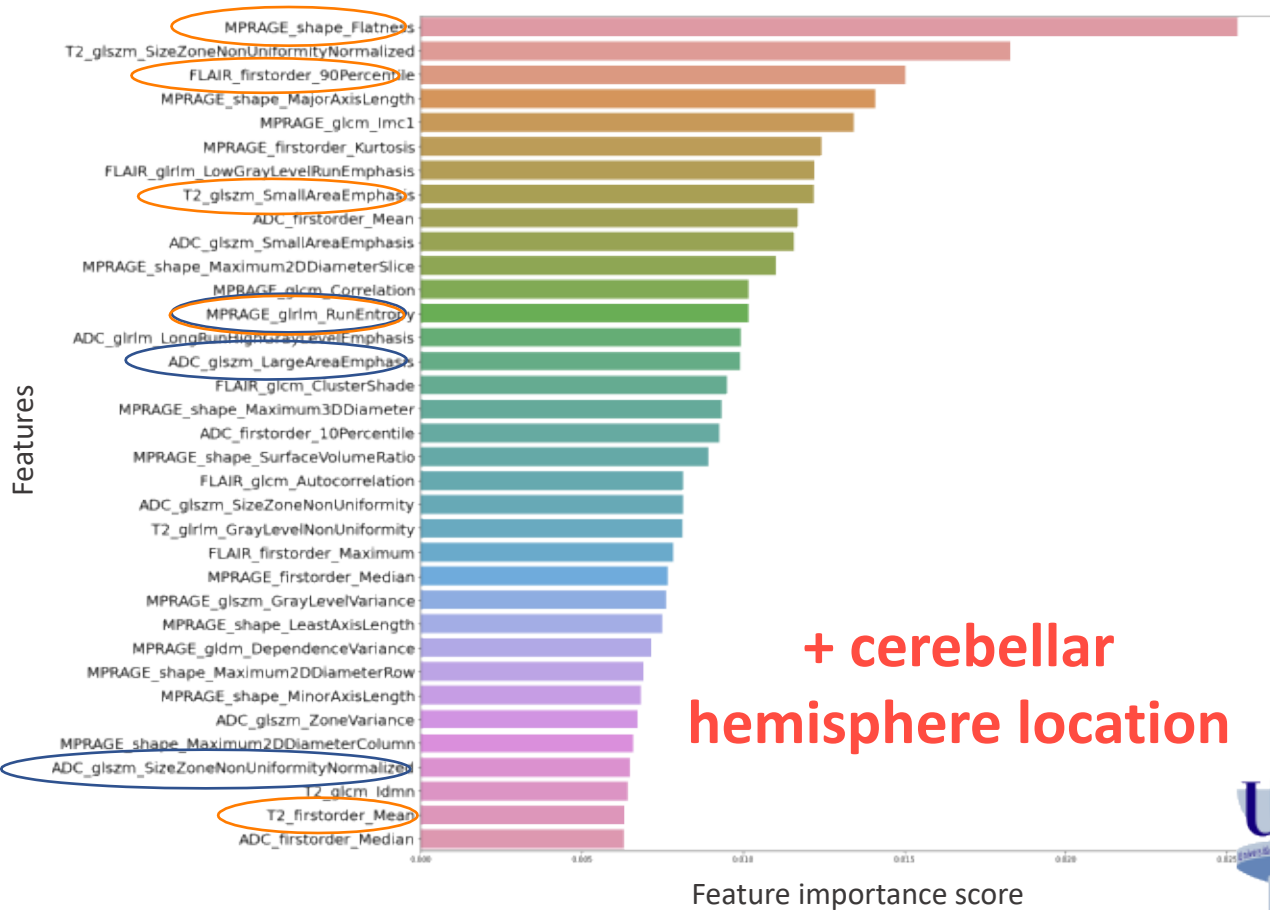
Tumor location:
CEREBELLAR HEMISPHERE
(n=15; SHH=13; G4=2)

Results (2) – BINARY MODEL: FEATURE SELECTION

390 starting features

PLS

BORUTA

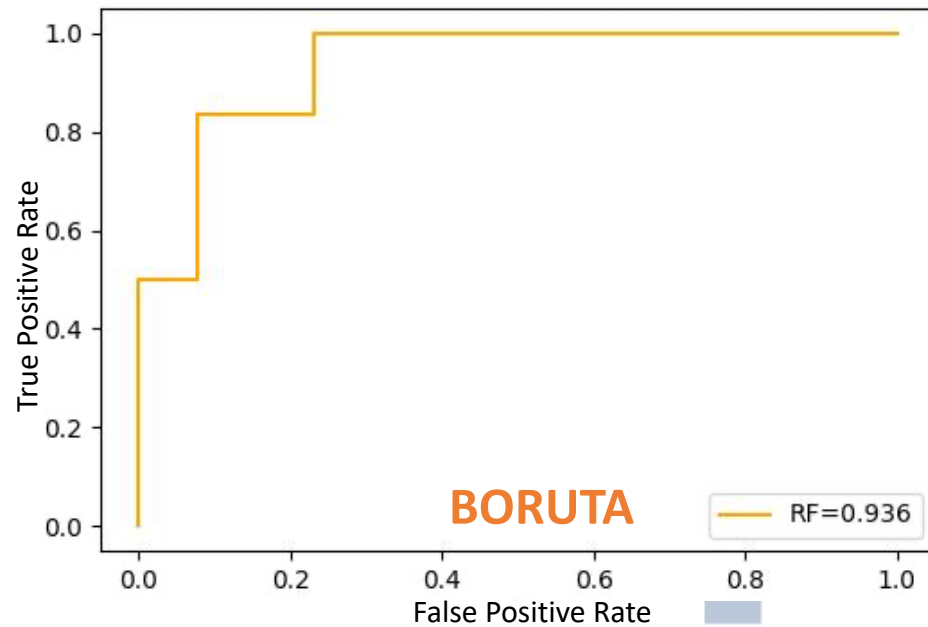
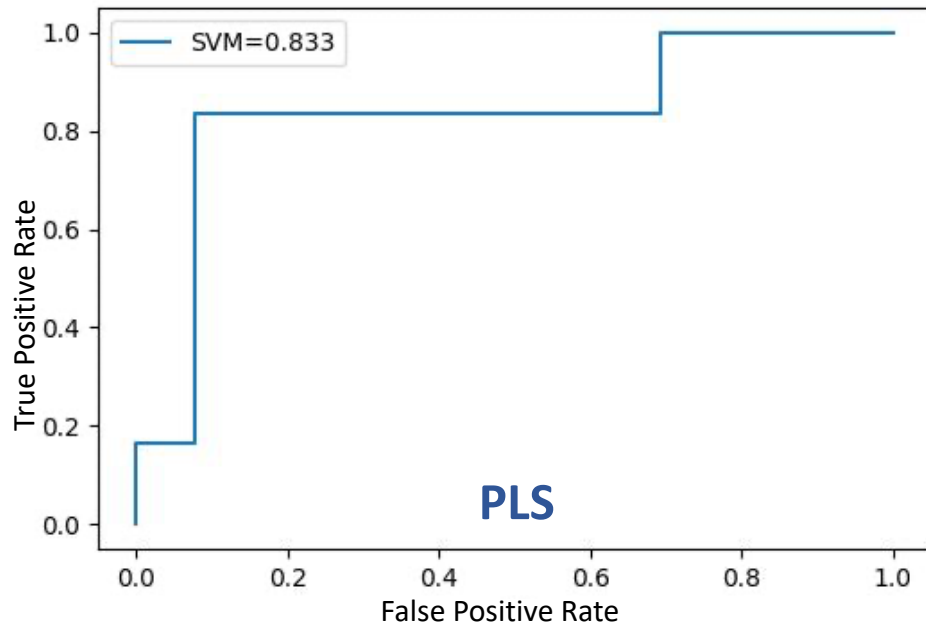


Results (3) – BINARY MODEL: PERFORMANCE

WNT/SHH vs G3/G4

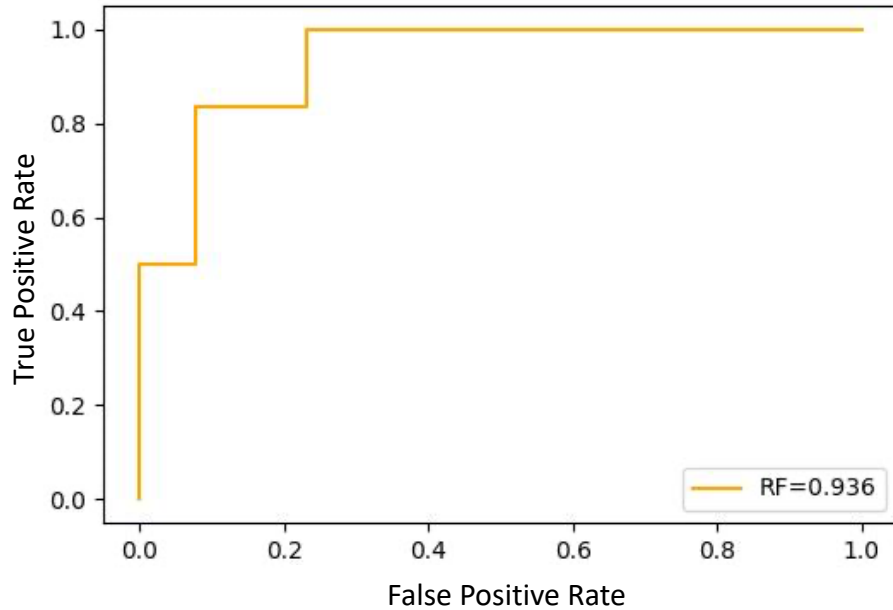
MODEL	ACCURACY	AUC
Random Forest	0.842	0.82
Support Vector Machine	0.89	0.83
Logistic Regression	0.64	0.88

MODEL	ACCURACY	AUC
Random Forest	0.895	0.936
Support Vector Machine	0.737	0.808
Logistic Regression	0.895	0.88

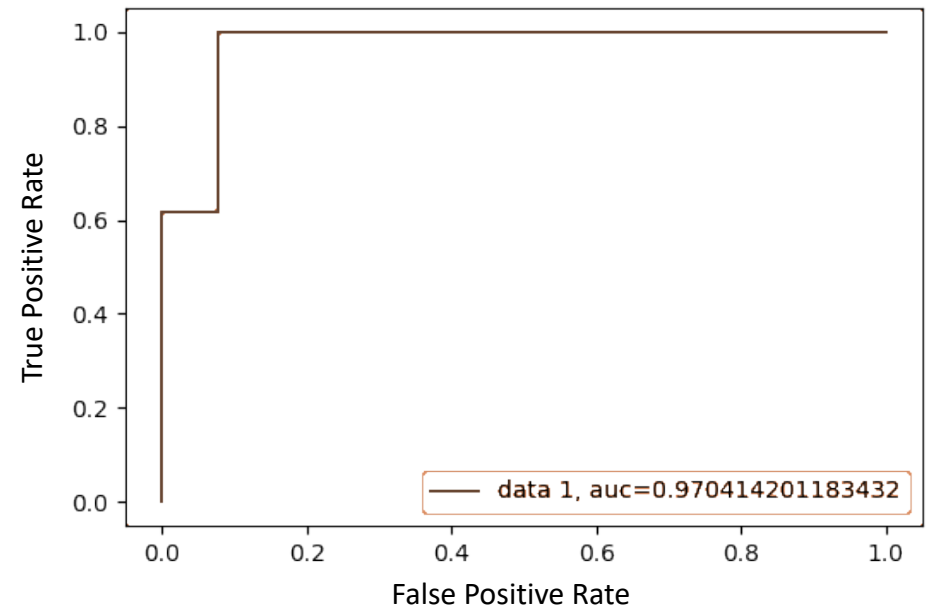


Results (4) – BINARY MODEL: PERFORMANCE w/ SMOTE

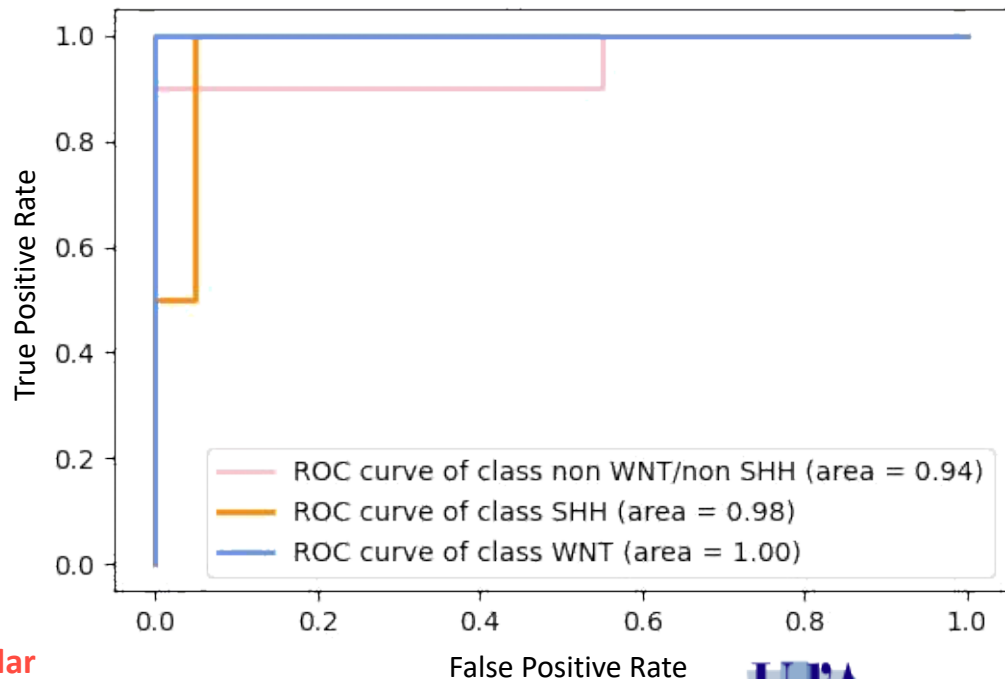
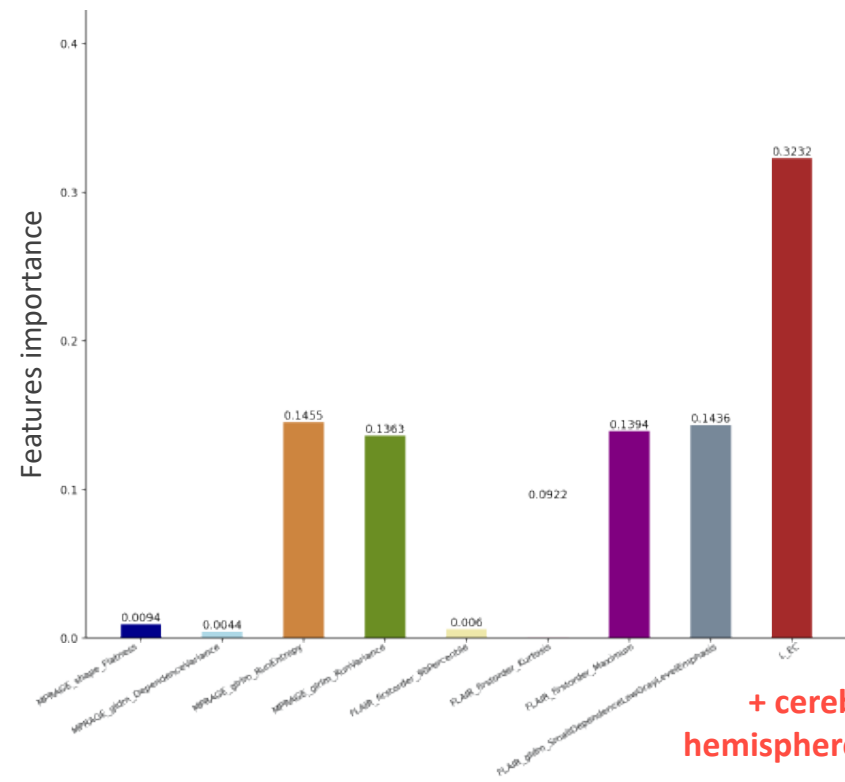
SMOTE -



SMOTE +



Results (5) – MULTICLASS MODEL: BORUTA + RF



Discussion and Conclusions

- The best machine learning approach to develop a MULTICLASS model predictive of the MB molecular subgroups
 - Different approach from previous studies, but comparable in terms of performance [Zhang et al., Radiology 2022; Yan et al., F Onc 2020](#)
- both RADIOMIC and CLINICAL model
 - post-GD MPRAGE → qualitative enhancement pattern already described [Łastowska M et al., J Neurooncol 2015](#)
 - FLAIR → tumor biology? [Zhang et al., Radiology 2022; Yan et al., F Onc 2020](#)
 - Clinical data are still key



- Large cohort from a Single European Institution → even **larger** (external?) cohort
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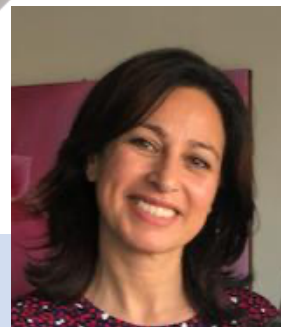
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