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## Major Research Area Paper Presentation

Classification of Global Microglia Proliferation Based on Deep Learning with Local Images

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Microglial cell proliferation in neural tissue occurs during infections, neurological disease, neurotoxicity, and other conditions. In basic science and clinical studies, quantification of microglial proliferation requires extensive manual counting (cell clicking) by trained experts (2 hours per case). Previous efforts to automate this process have focused on stereology-based estimation of global cell number using deep learning-based segmentation of immunostained microglial cells at high magnification. To further improve on throughput efficiency, we propose a novel ensemble of convolutional neural networks with training by local images, i.e., low (20x) magnification, to predict high or low microglial proliferation at the global level.

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