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Diffusion Tensor Imaging tutorial



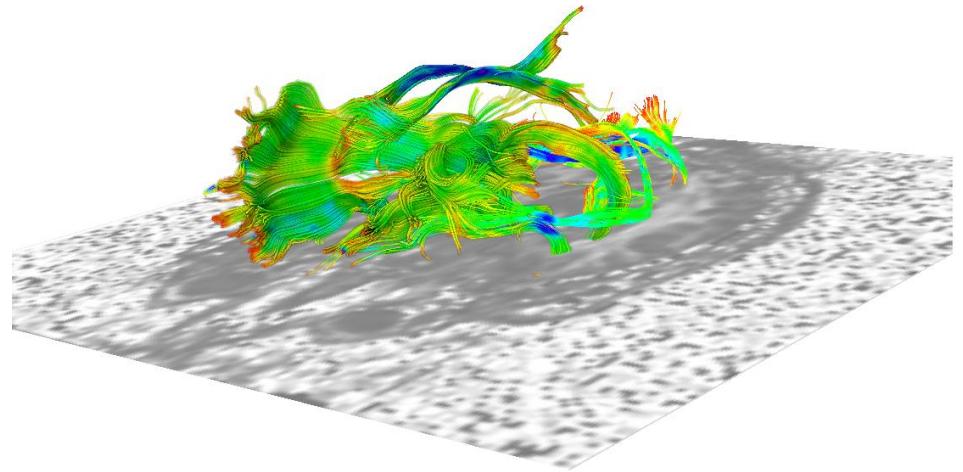
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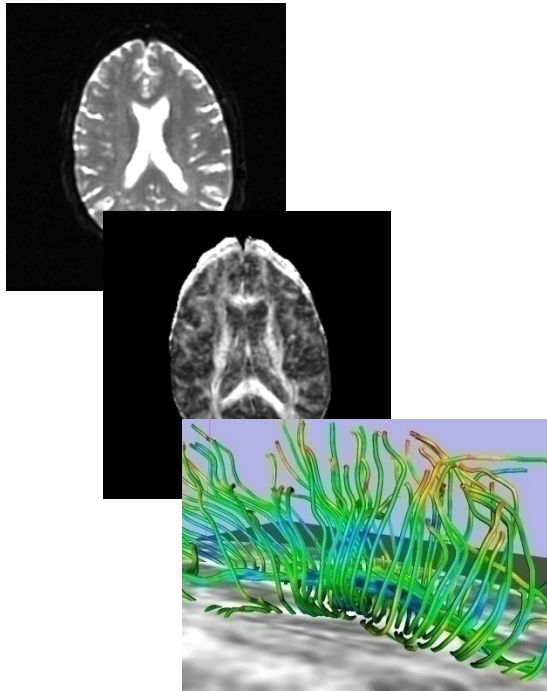
DTI tutorial

This tutorial is an introduction to the advanced **Diffusion MR** capabilities of the **Slicer3** software for medical image analysis.





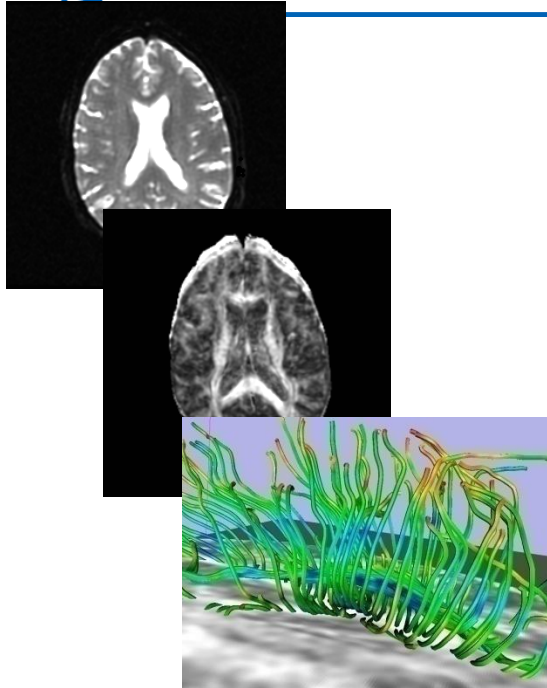
Outline



This tutorial guides you through the process of **loading diffusion MR data**, **estimating diffusion tensors**, and performing **tractography** of white matter bundles.



Outline



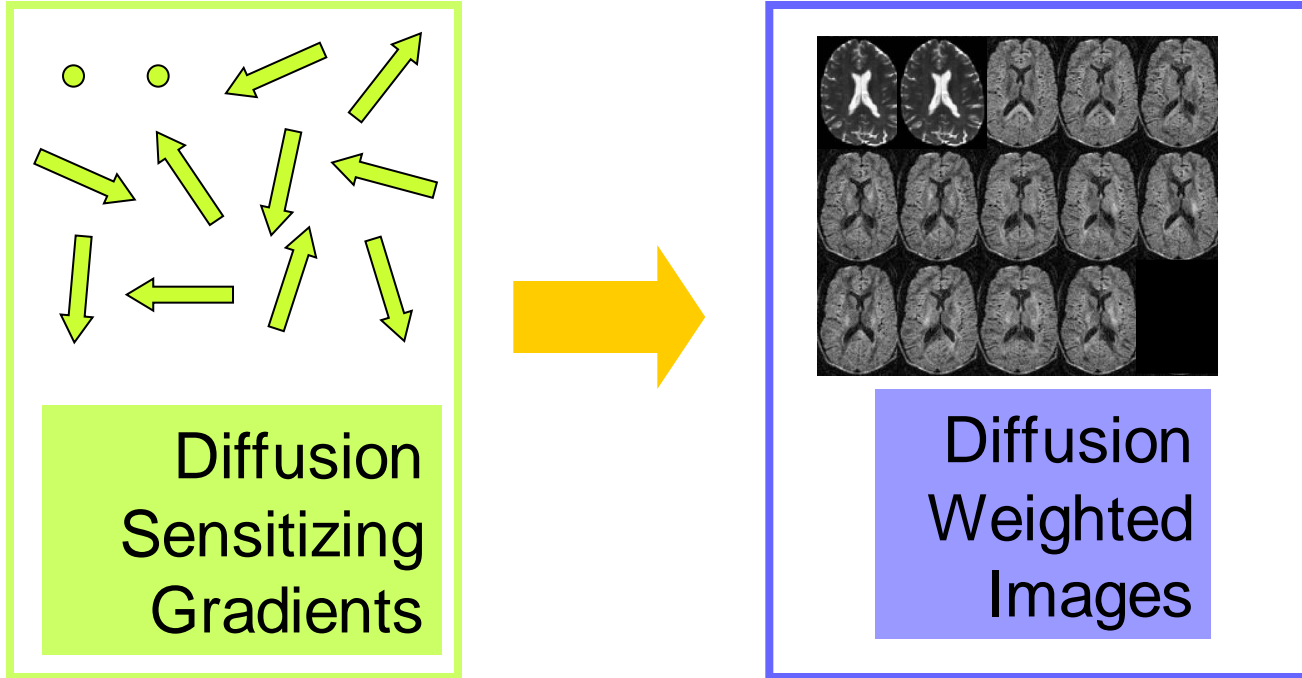
The processing pipeline uses **9 image analysis modules** of Slicer3.6

1. Data
2. Volumes
3. Diffusion Tensor Estimation
4. Diffusion Tensor Scalar Measurements
5. Editor
6. LabelMap Seeding
7. Fiber Bundles
8. Fiducials
9. Fiducial Seeding



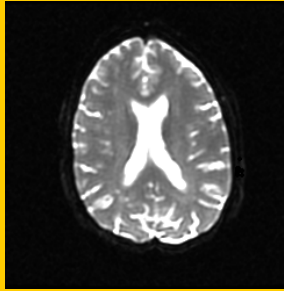
Tutorial Dataset

The Diffusion MR tutorial dataset is composed of a **Diffusion Weighted MR scan** of the brain acquired with 12 gradient directions and 2 baseline.

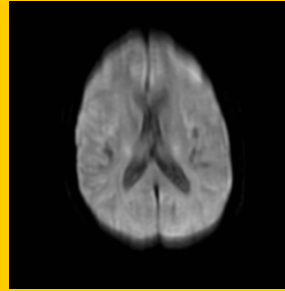




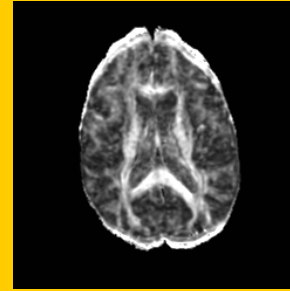
DTI Processing Pipeline



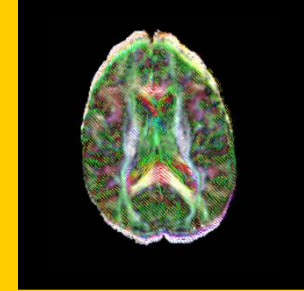
DWI
Acquisition



Tensor
Calculation



Scalar
Maps



3D
Visualization



Start Slicer3

Linux/Mac users

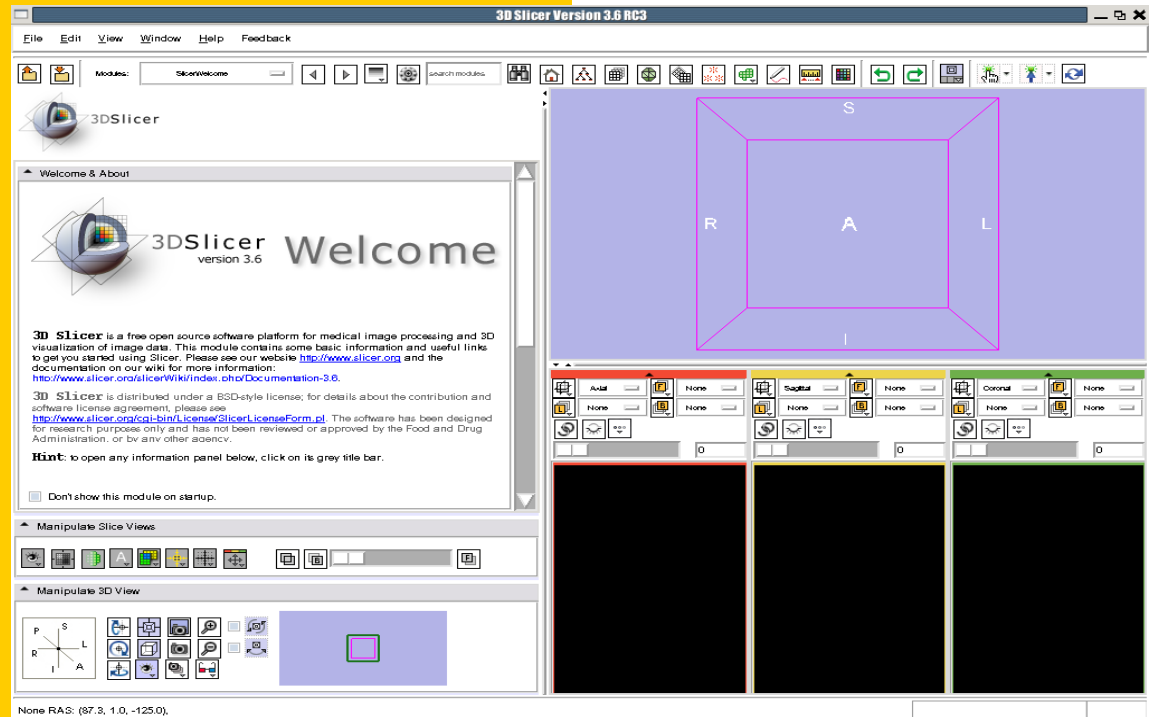
Launch the Slicer3 executable located in the Slicer3.6 directory

Windows users

Select

Start → All Programs

→ Slicer3-3.6-2010-08-23 → Slicer3





Slicer Welcome

The **SlicerWelcome** module is the module displayed by default.

This module gives an overview of the GUI of Slicer3, and data loading & saving functionalities.

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Modules: SlicerWelcome

3DSlicer

Welcome & About

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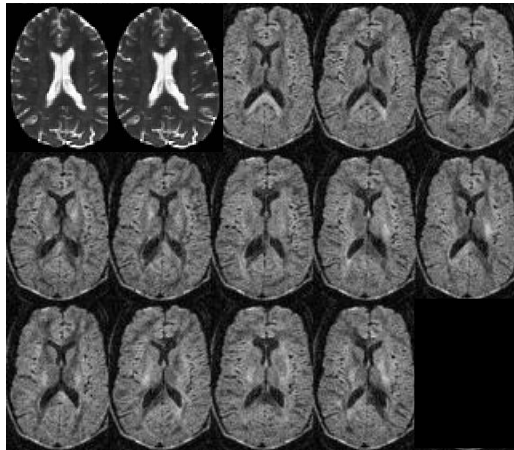
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Don't show this module on startup.

Manipulate Slice Views

Manipulate 3D View

None RAS: (87.3, 1.0, -125.0)

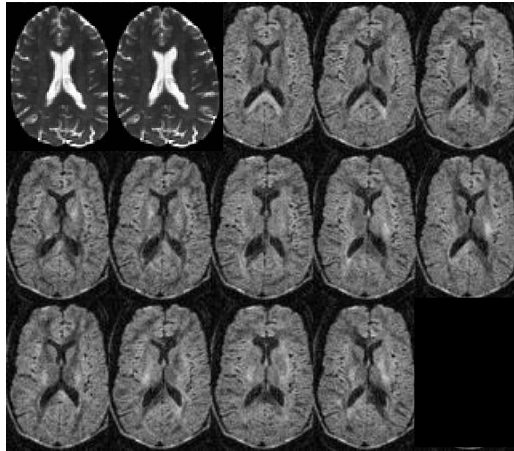


Part 1:

Diffusion data loading and tensor estimation

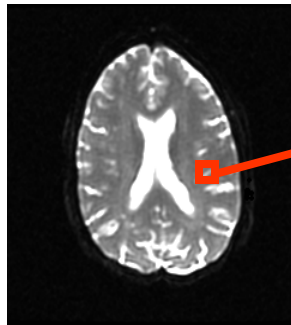


Diffusion Tensor Imaging



$$S_i = S_0 e^{-b \hat{g}^T \underline{D} \hat{g}}$$

(Stejskal and Tanner 1965, Basser 1994)

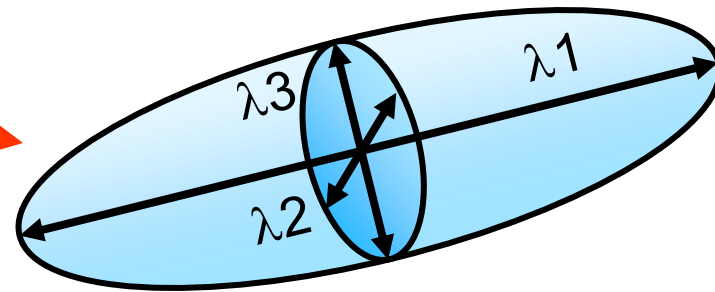
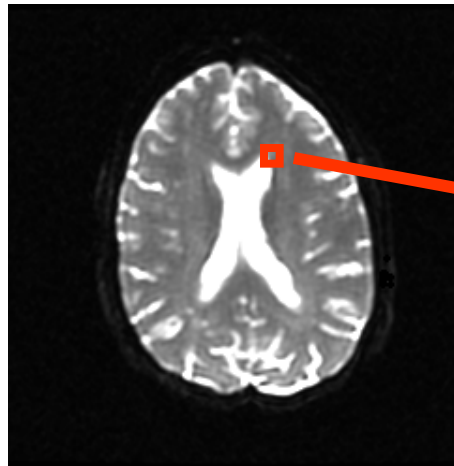


$$\underline{D} = \begin{bmatrix} D_{xx} & D_{xy} & D_{xz} \\ D_{yx} & D_{yy} & D_{yz} \\ D_{zx} & D_{zy} & D_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$$



Physical Interpretation

The diffusion tensor \underline{D} in the voxel (I,J,K) can be visualized as an ellipsoidal isoprobability surface in which the principal axes correspond to the eigenvectors.





Loading the DWI volume

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Don't show this module on startup.

Manipulate Slice Views

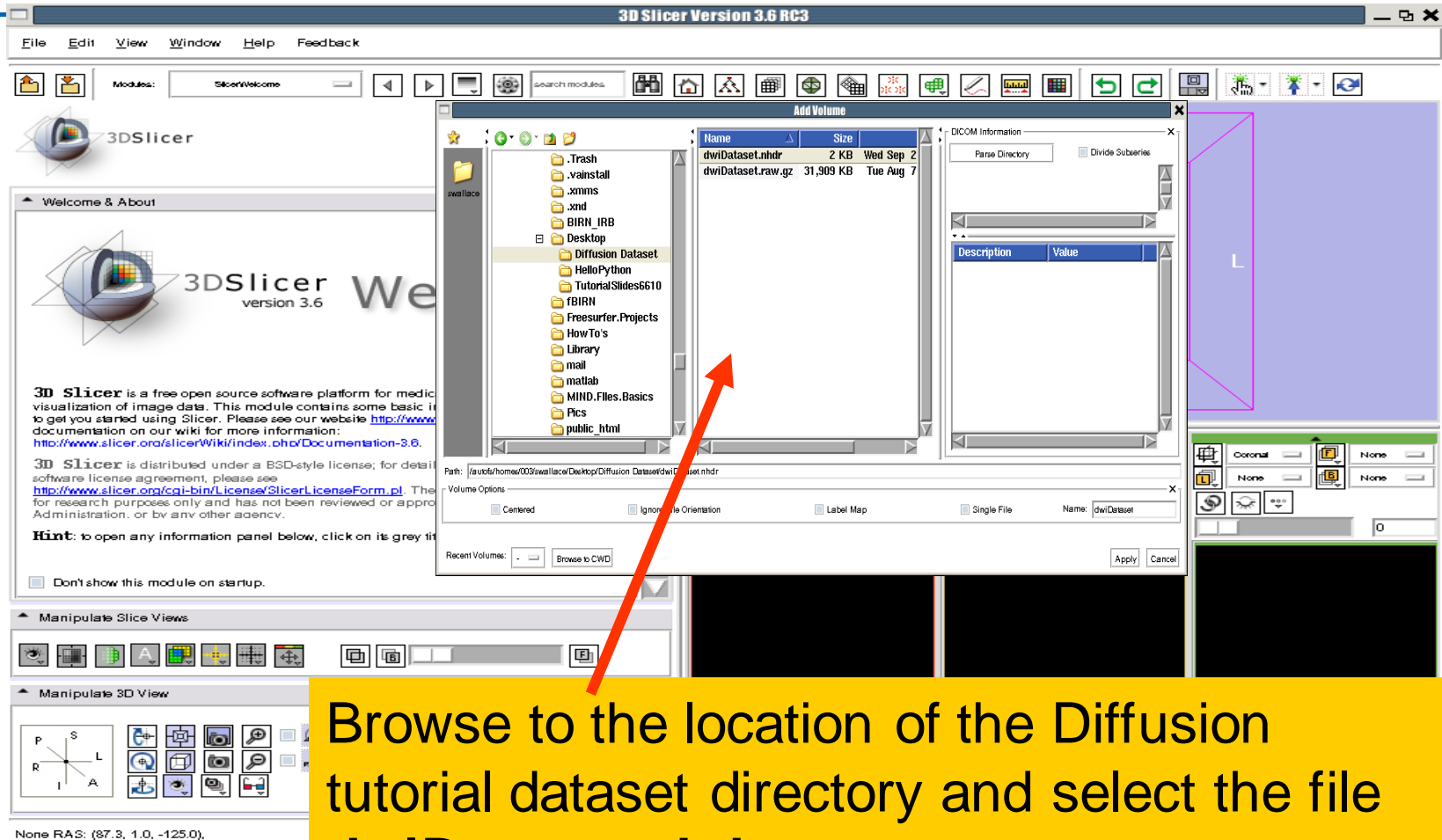
Manipulate 3D View

None RAS: (87.3, 1.0, -125.0).

Select File → Add Volume from the File menu



Loading the DWI volume



Browse to the location of the Diffusion tutorial dataset directory and select the file **dwiDataset.nhdr**

Click on **Apply** to load the volume



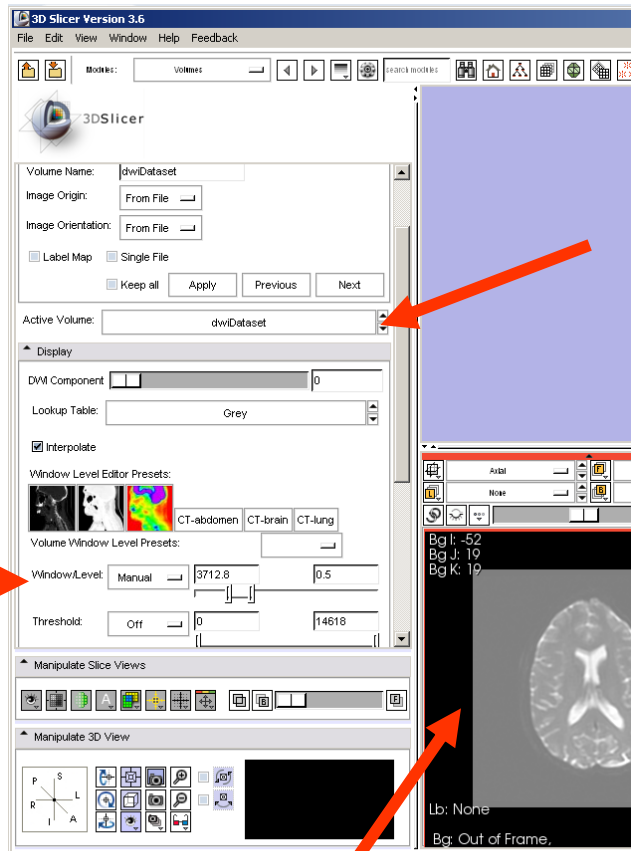
Loading the DWI volume

Left click on the menu **Modules** and select **All Modules** to display the list of **95 modules** available for image analysis and 3D visualization.

Select the module **Volumes**



Loading the DWI volume

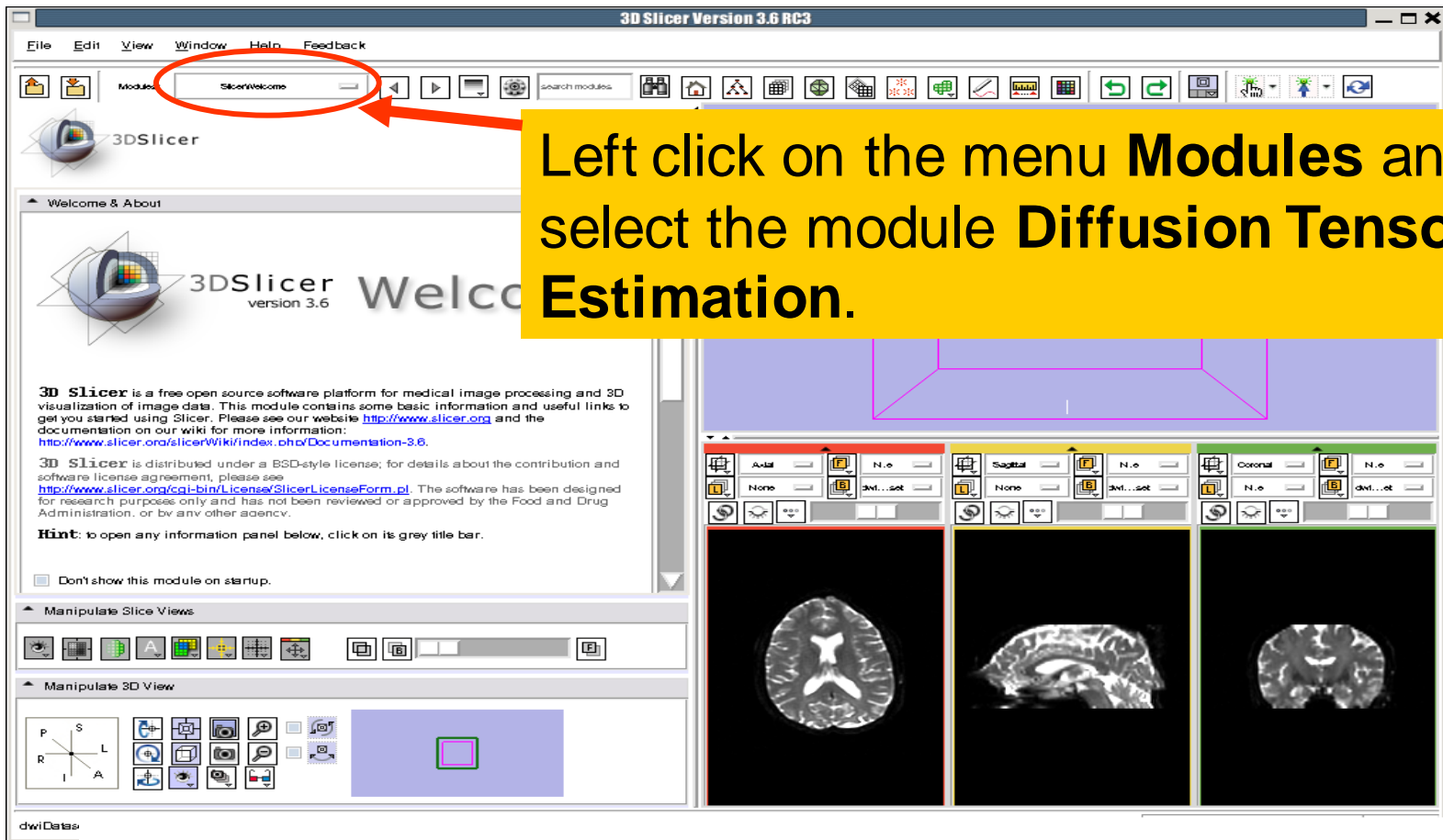


Select the Active Volume **dwiDataset** and adjust the Window/Level Parameters

Slicer displays the anatomical views of the baseline volume of the diffusion dataset in the 2D Slice Viewer.

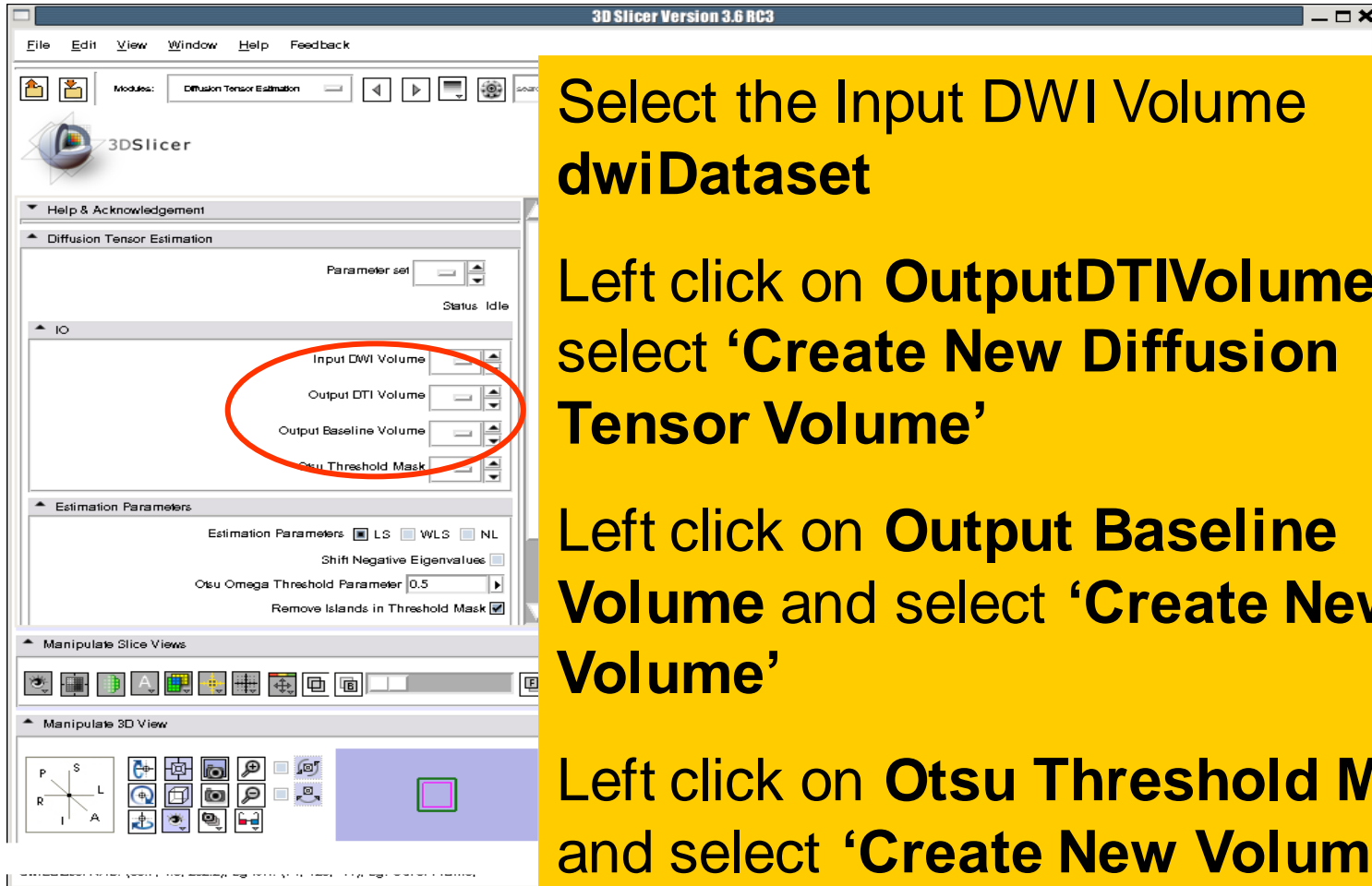


Tensor Estimation





Tensor Estimation



Select the Input DWI Volume
dwiDataset

Left click on **OutputDTIVolume** and
select '**Create New Diffusion
Tensor Volume**'

Left click on **Output Baseline
Volume** and select '**Create New
Volume**'

Left click on **Otsu Threshold Mask**
and select '**Create New Volume**'



Tensor Estimation

Select the Tensor Estimation Algorithm **LS** (Least Squares), and click on **Apply** to estimate the tensors.



Tensor Estimation

The screenshot shows the 3D Slicer Version 3.6 interface. The main window displays a 3D view of a brain slice with a yellow callout box overlaid. The callout box contains the text: "Left click on **Output Baseline Volume** to display the list of volumes that have been computed by Slicer".

The left sidebar contains the **Diffusion Tensor Estimation** panel. The **IO** section includes:

- Input DVI Volume: dt
- Output DTI Volume: e
- Output Baseline Volume: e
- Otsu Threshold Mask: k

The **Estimation Parameters** section includes:

- Estimation Parameters: LS WLS NL
- Shift Negative Eigenvalues:
- Otsu Omega Threshold Parameter: 0.5
- Remove Islands in Threshold Mask:
- Apply Mask to Tensor Image:

The bottom of the interface shows three slice views: **Axial**, **Sagittal**, and **Coronal**. Each view displays the **Output Baseline Volume** as a blue region within the brain slice.



Tensor Estimation

Output DTI Volume is the volume of estimated tensors

Output Baseline Volume is the Baseline volume

Output Threshold Mask is the tensor mask (blue)



Tensor Estimation

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Module: Diffuska Tensor Estimation

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Help & Acknowledgement

Diffusion Tensor Estimation

IO

Input DVM Volume dt

Output DTI Volume e

Output Baseline Volume e

Otsu Threshold Mask k

Estimation Parameters

Estimation Parameters LS VMLS NL

Shift Negative Eigenvalues

Otsu Omega Threshold Parameter 0.5

Remove Islands in Threshold Mask

Apply Mask to Tensor Image

Default Cancel Apply

Manipulate Slice Views

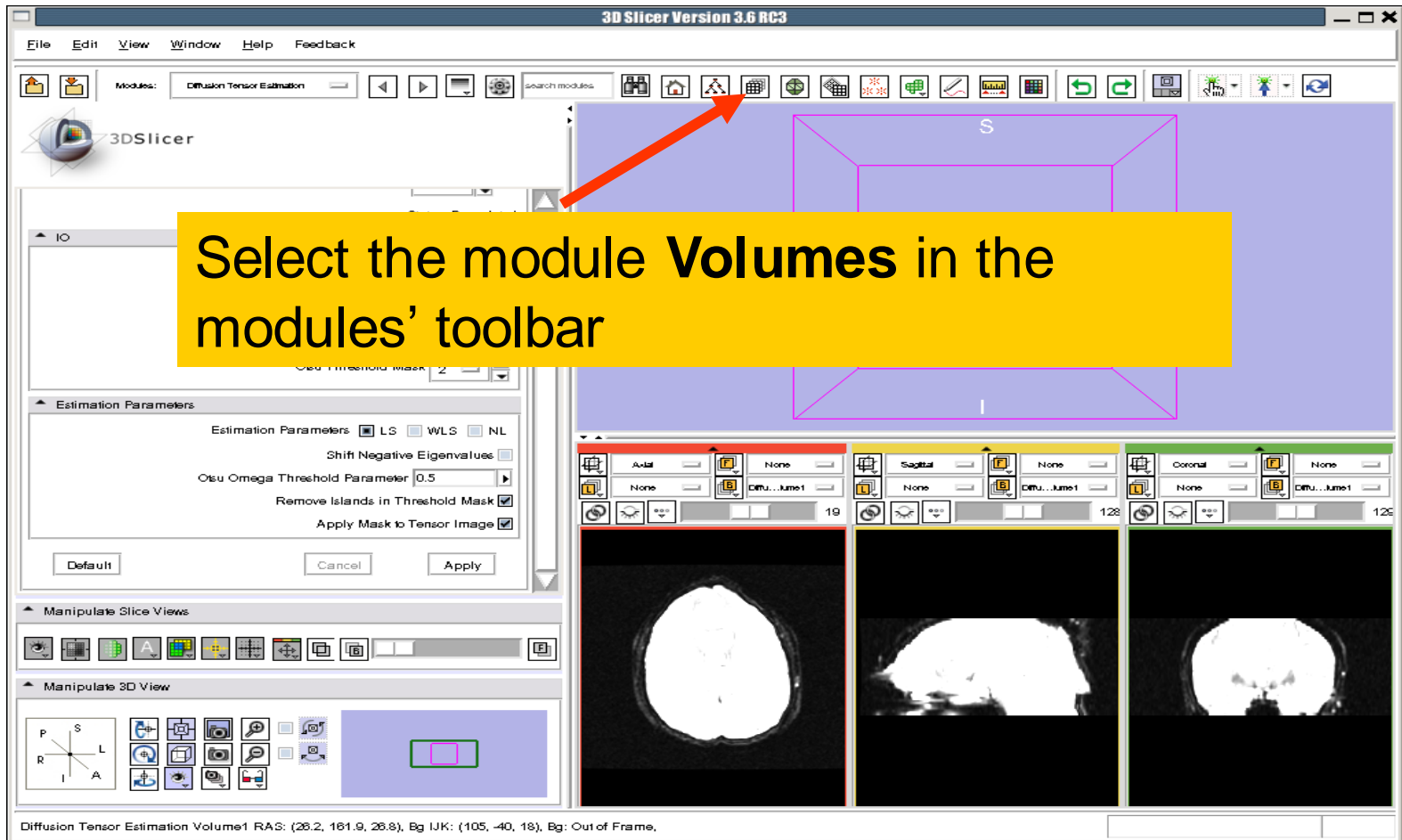
Manipulate 3D View

Output Threshold Mask

Click on the link icon, left click on **Output Threshold Mask** and select **None**



Tensor Estimation





Tensor Estimation

Select the **Active Volume** 'Output Baseline Volume' and click on the tab **Display**

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Load

Select Volume File

Volume Name: Output Baseline Volume

Image Origin: From File

Image Orientation: From File

Label Map Single File

Keep all Apply Previous Next

Active Volume: Output Baseline Volume

Display

Diffusion Editor

Info

Manipulate Slice Views

Manipulate 3D View

Axial None Output Baseline Volume 19 26.8

Sagittal None Output Baseline Volume 128 5.4688

Coronal None Output Baseline Volume 129 4.5687

Output Baseline Volume RAS: (-156.1, -115.0, 32.8), Bg: Slice not shown



Tensor Estimation

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File Edit View Window Help Feedback

Adjust the Window/Level parameters of the baseline volume using the slider

Active Volume: Output Baseline Volume

Display

Lookup Table: Grey

Interpolate

Window Level Editor Presets: CT-women CT-brain CT-lung

Volume Window Level Presets:

Window/Level: Manual 1956.6 177

Threshold: Off 0 13789

Update Histogram Interactively

[0, 13789] x [0, 1]

Manipulate Slice Views

Manipulate 3D View

R A L

I

Axial None Sagittal None Coronal None

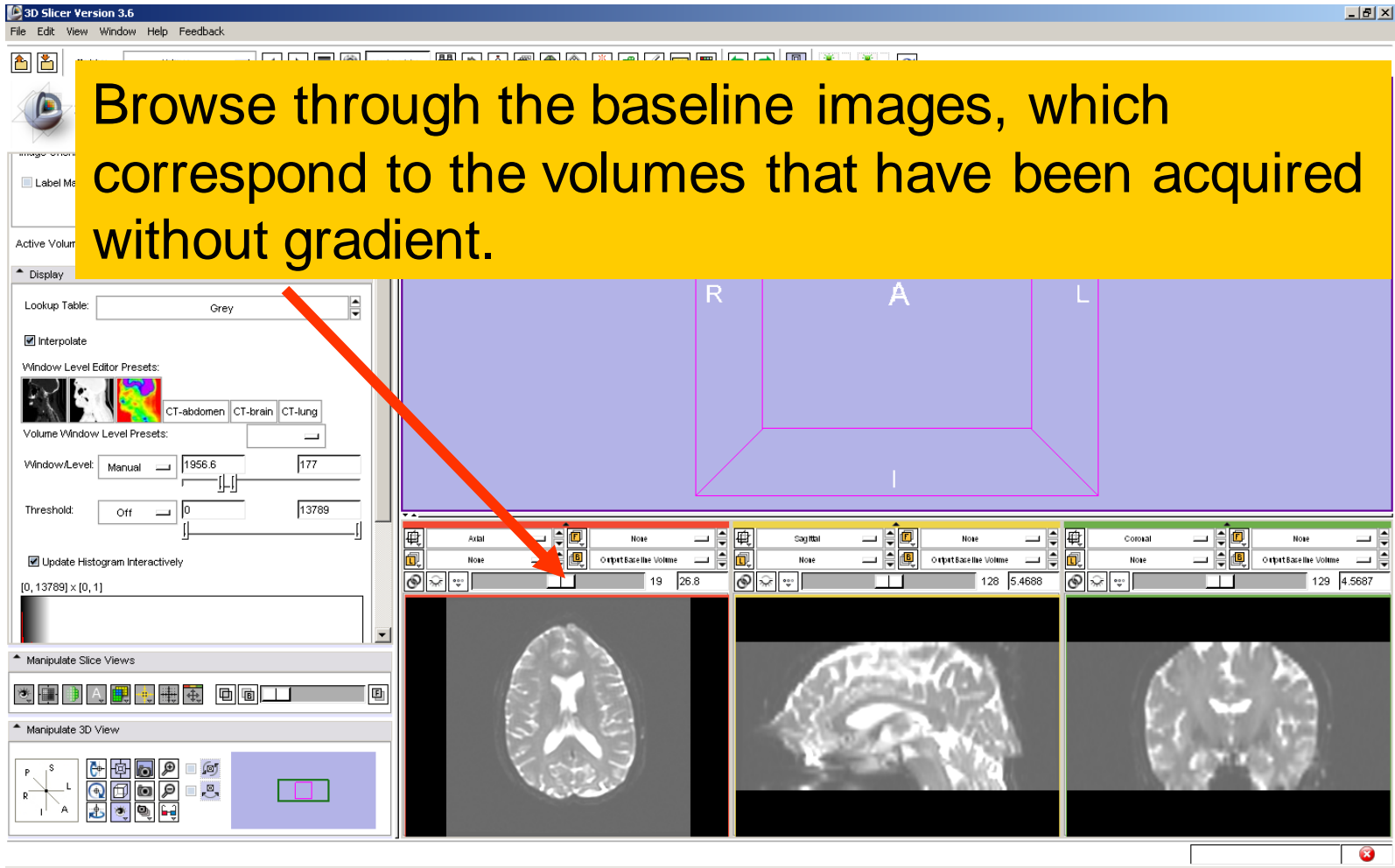
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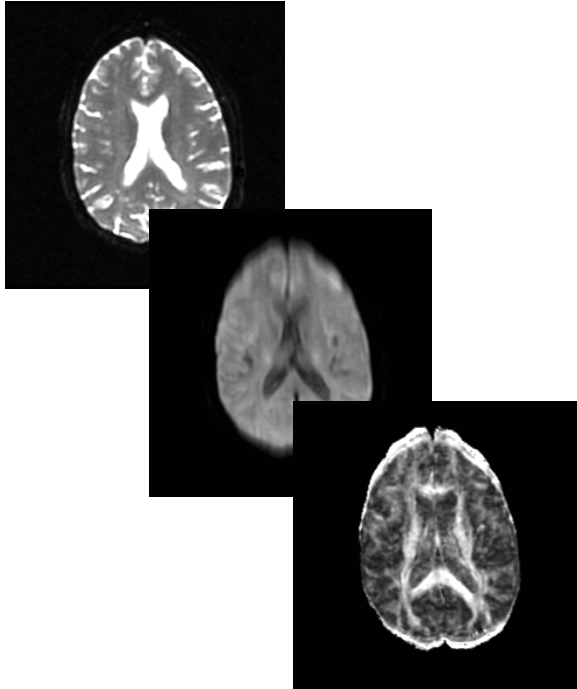
19 26.8 128 5.4688 129 4.5687



Tensor Estimation

Browse through the baseline images, which correspond to the volumes that have been acquired without gradient.





Part2:

Scalar Measurements



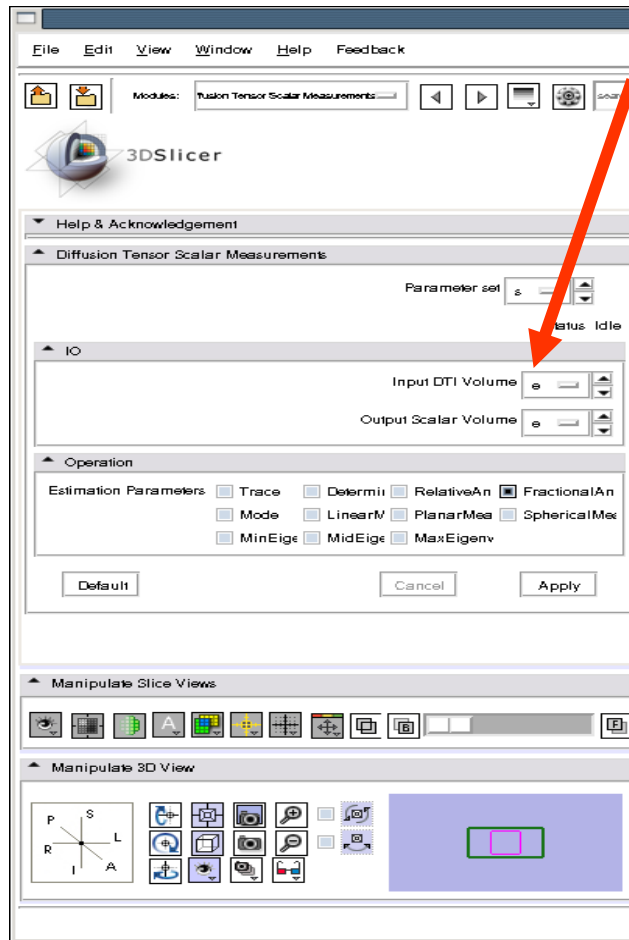
Scalar Measurements

Select the category **Diffusion--> Utilities** from the list of modules, and left click on the **Diffusion Tensor Scalar Measurements** module.

The screenshot shows the 3D Slicer software interface. The 'Utilities' menu is circled in red. The main window displays a 3D view of a brain slice with a purple bounding box. Below the 3D view are three 2D views: Axial, Sagittal, and Coronal. The interface includes various toolbars and panels for image manipulation and display settings.



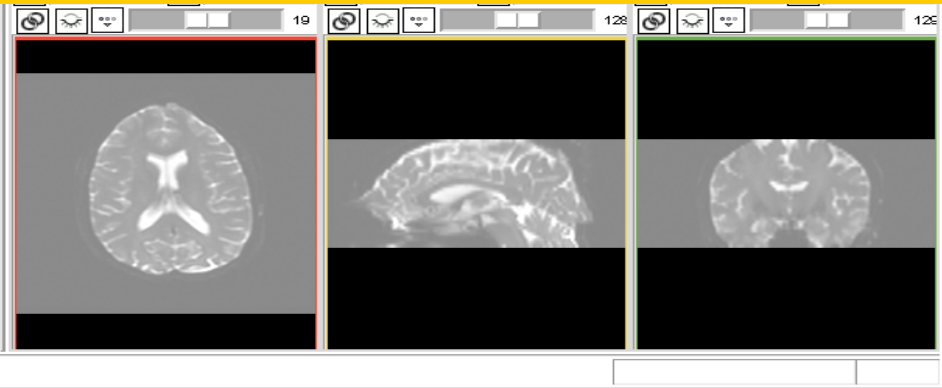
Scalar Measurements



Select the Input DTI Volume **Output DTI Volume**

Select the Output Scalar Volume **'Create New Volume'**

Select the Operation **Fractional Anisotropy**, and click on **Apply**





Fractional Anisotropy Volume

3D Slicer Version 3.6

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3DSlicer

Help & Acknowledgement

Diffusion Tensor Scalar Measures

IO

Input DTI Volume: e

Output Scalar Volume: e

Operation

Estimation Parameters

- Trace
- Determinant
- Reli
- Fractional Anisotropy
- Mode
- LinearMax
- Plan
- SphericalMax
- MinEigenv
- MidEigenv
- Max
- MaxEigenv
- MaxEigenv
- MaxEigenv
- RAI
- RAIMaxEig
- RAIMaxEig
- D11
- D22
- D33
- ParallelDiff
- Perpendic

Default Cancel Apply

Manipulate Slice Views

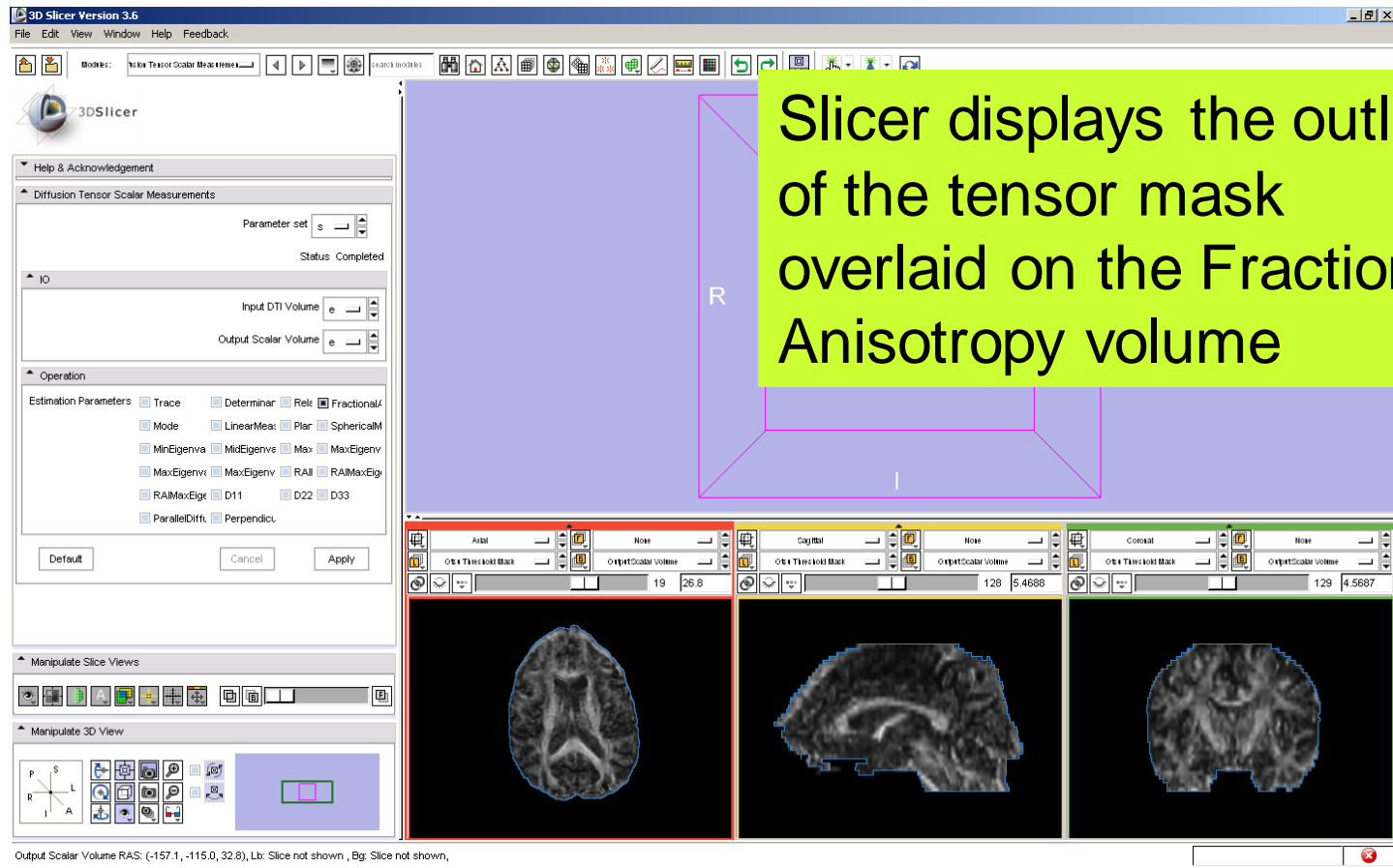
Manipulate 3D View

Output

Left click on the Slicer Viewer Menu icon, and select **Show label volume outlines**



Fractional Anisotropy Volume



Slicer displays the outline of the tensor mask overlaid on the Fractional Anisotropy volume



Fractional Anisotropy Volume

The screenshot shows the 3D Slicer Version 3.6 interface. The 'Diffusion Tensor Scalar Measurements' panel is active, showing 'Parameter set: s' and 'Status: Completed'. Under 'Operation', 'Fractional Anisotropy' is selected. The 'Manipulate Slice Views' panel shows an axial slice with an FA map overlay. A red arrow points to the FA map. The 'Manipulate 3D View' panel shows a 3D view of the brain slice. The 'Bg' window shows the FA map with a value of 0.3. The 'Bg' window also shows the 'Output Scalar Volume' and 'Obs Threshold Mask'.

Move the mouse over the Fractional Anisotropy map to explore the FA values which range from 0 to 1, and are displayed in the bottom corner of the active (Bg) window.



Part 3:

Region of Interest based Tractography





LabelMap Generation

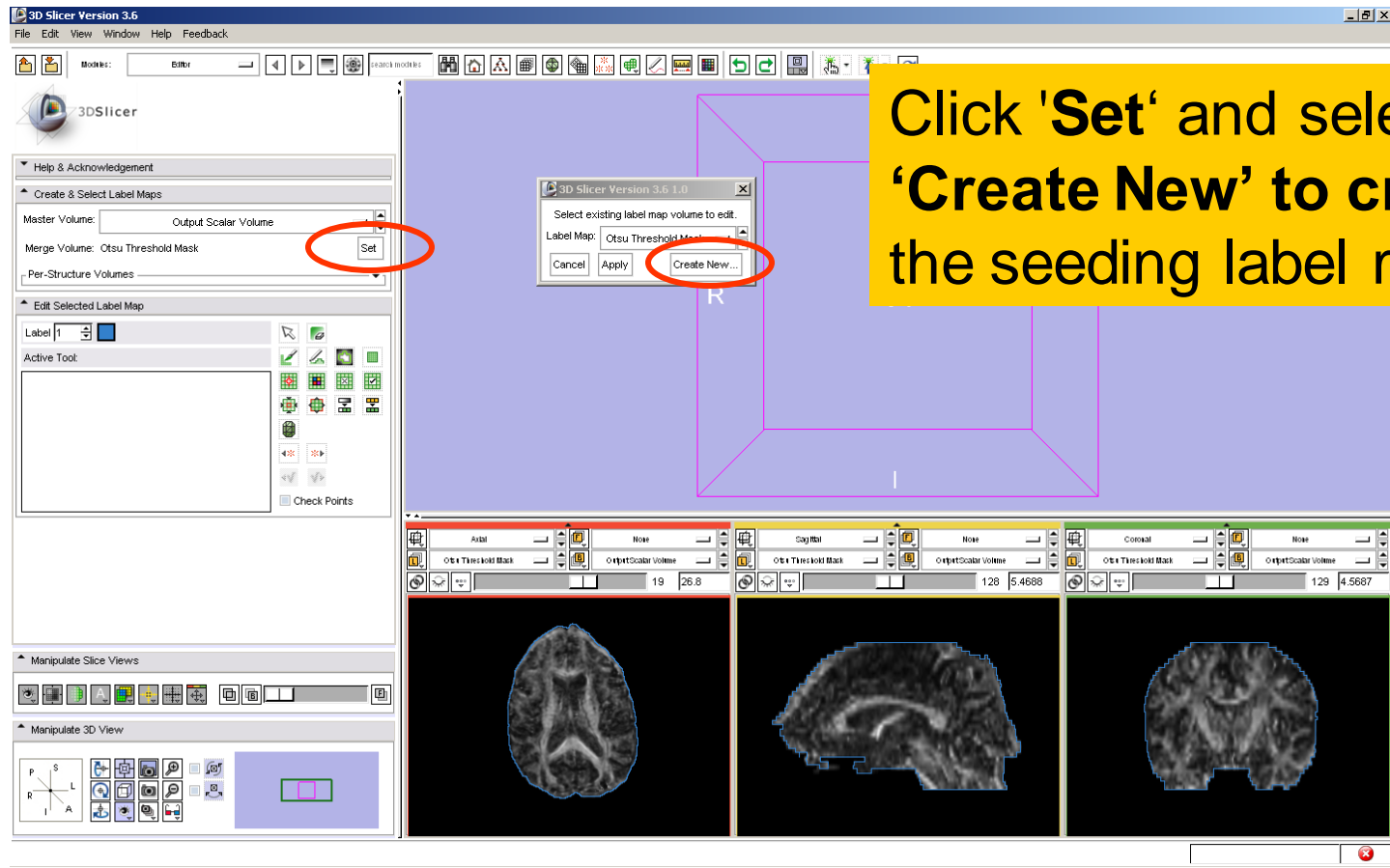
Select the module **Editor** in the modules menu.

Select the Master Volume as 'Output Scalar Volume'

Output Scalar Volume RAS: (89.6, 148.7, 23.8), Bg LK: (38, -26, 19), Lb: Out of Frame, Bg: Out of Frame

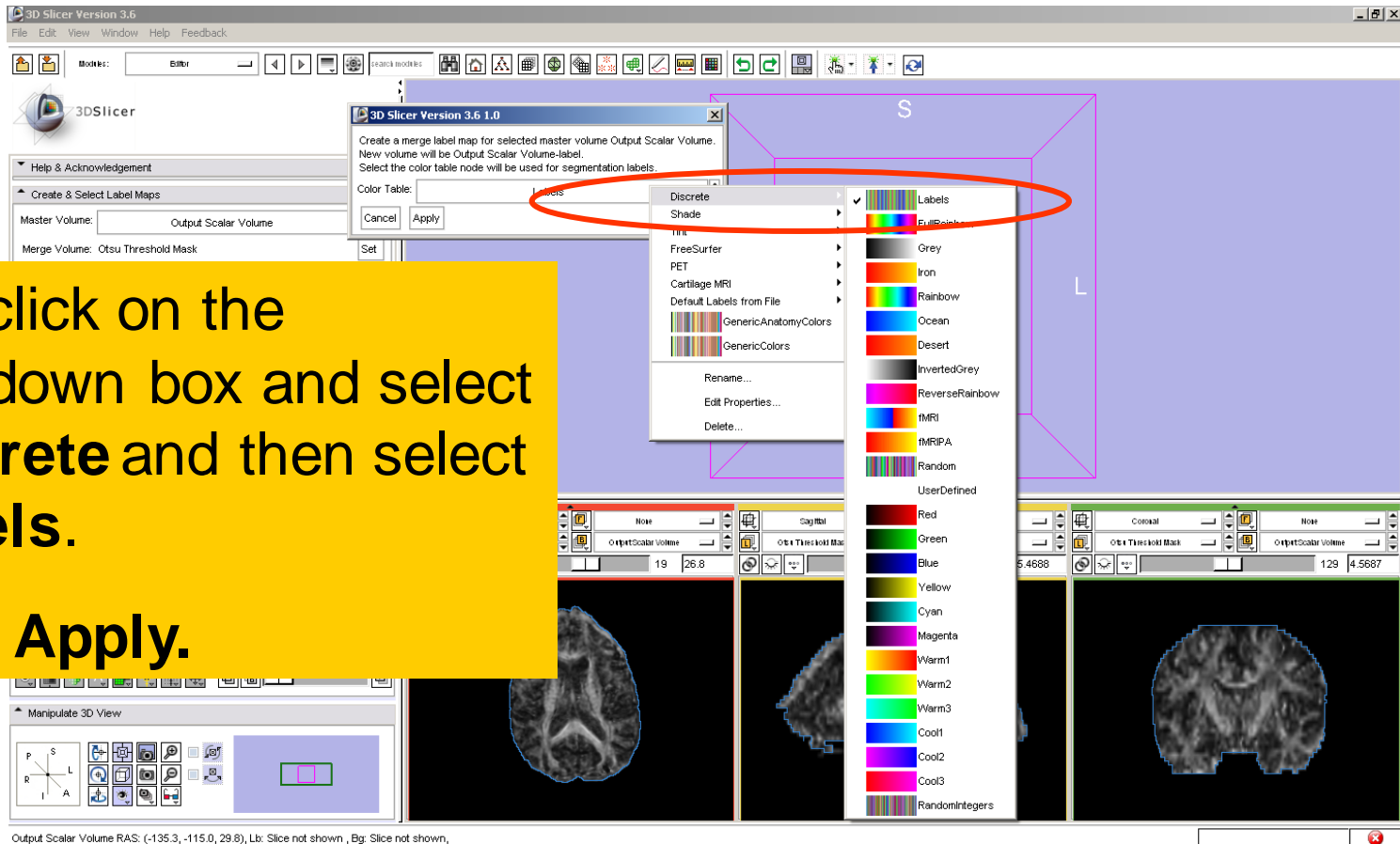


Label Map Generation





LabelMap Generation



Left click on the dropdown box and select **Discrete** and then select **Labels**.

Click **Apply**.



LabelMap Generation

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Left click on the Slicer Viewer Menu icon, and select the label map **Output Scalar Volume-label**

Master Volume: Output Scalar Volume

Merge Volume: Output Scalar Volume-label

Per-Structure Volumes

Edit Selected Label Map

Label: 1

Active Tool

Check Points

Manipulate Slice Views

Manipulate 3D View

Output Scalar Volume RAS: (96.2, 126.0, 23.8), Bg LK: (31, -2, 19), Lb: Out of Frame, Bg: Out of Frame



LabelMap Generation

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Left click on the Slicer Viewer Menu icon, and select **Don't Show label volume outlines**

Master Volume: Output Scalar Volume
Merge Volume: Output Scalar Volume-label
Per-Structure Volumes

Create & Select Label maps

Edit Selected Label Map

Label 2
Active Tool: Paint
Paint Over:
Threshold Painting:
Threshold: 0 1
Radius: 23
Smudge:
Check Points

Manipulate Slice Views

Manipulate 3D View

Don't show label volume outlines

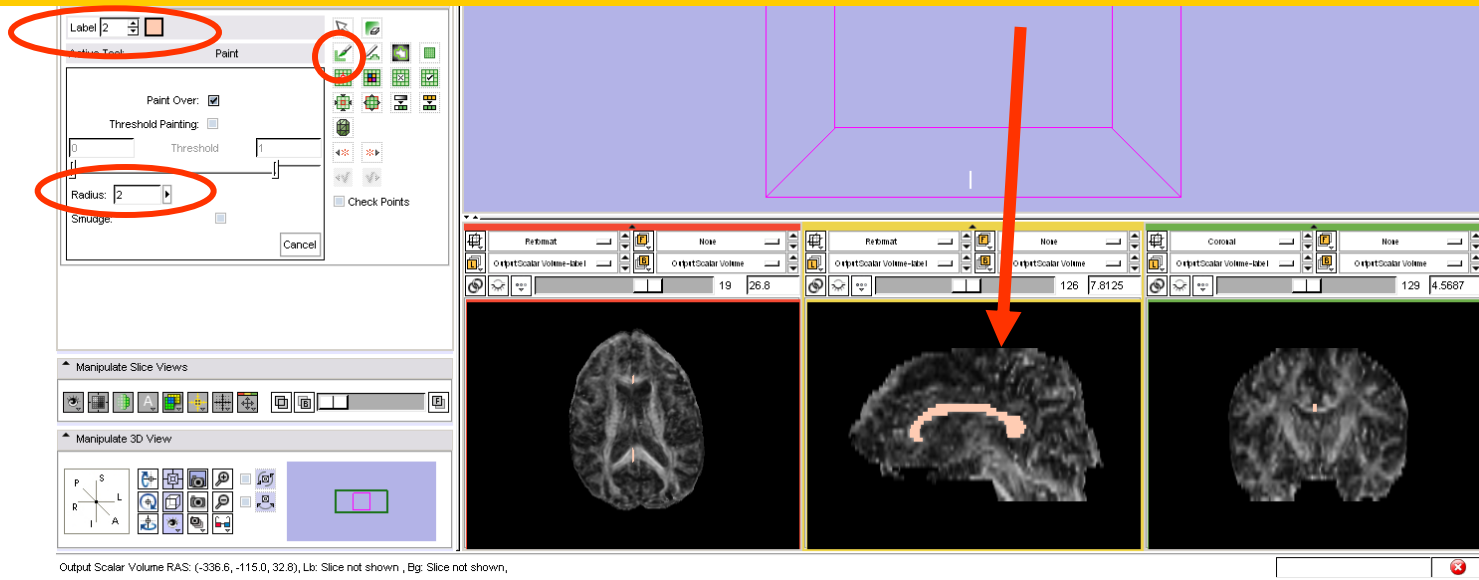
- Fit to window
- Rotate to Volume Plane
- Adjust label map opacity
- Don't show label volume outlines**
- Show reformat widget
- Compositing
- Slice spacing mode
- Lightbox view
- Adjust display

tear off control panel
close



LabelMap Generation

Select the label 2 (pink), click on the icon **Paint** , set the radius to **2** and draw a region of interest within the corpus callosum in the sagittal view on a set of 2 or 3 slices





LabelMap Seeding

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File Edit View Window Help Feedback

Labelmap Seeding

Parameter set

Status: Idle

IO

Input DTI Volume

Input Label Map

Output Fiber bundle

Write Fibers To Disk

Output Directory

File Prefix Name: line

Seed Placement Options

Use Index Space

Seed Spacing: 2

Random Grid

Linear Measure Start Threshold: 0.3

Tractography Seeding Parameters

Minimum Length: 10

Manipulate Slice Views

Manipulate 3D View

Output Scalar Volume RAS: (-63.5, -114.0, 26.8), Bg UK: (201, 254, 18), Lb: 0 Black, Bg: 0.0

Select the module
Labelmap Seeding
from the Modules' menu



LabelMap Seeding

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3DSlicer

Labelmap Seeding

Parameter set: g

Status: idle

IO

Input DTI Volume: e

Input Label Map: O1

Output Fiber bundle: L1

Write Fibers To Disk:

Output Directory:

File Name Line

Seed Placement Options

Use Index Space:

Seed Spacing: 2

Random Grid:

Linear Measure Start Threshold: 0.3

Tractography Seeding Parameters

Minimum Length: 10

Manipulate Slice Views

Manipulate 3D View

Output Scalar Volume RAS: (165.2, 223.3, 20.8), Lb: Slice not shown, Bg: Slice not shown

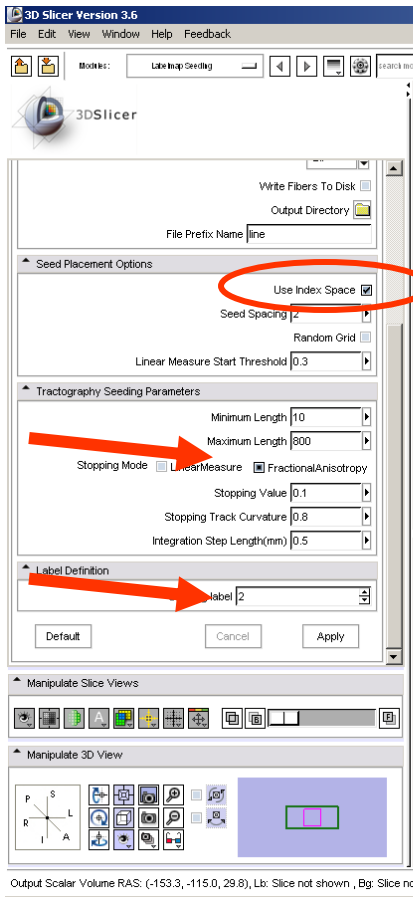
Select the Input DTI volume
'Output DTI Volume'

Select the Input Label Map
'Output Scalar Volume - label'

Select Output Fiber Bundle
'Create New Fiber Bundle'



LabelMap Seeding



In the Seed Placement Options tab, select **Use Index Space**.

In the Tractography Seeding Parameters tab, select the 'Stopping Mode' **Fractional Anisotropy**, and use the default parameters for the minimum and maximum tract length, stopping value, stopping track curvature and integration step length.

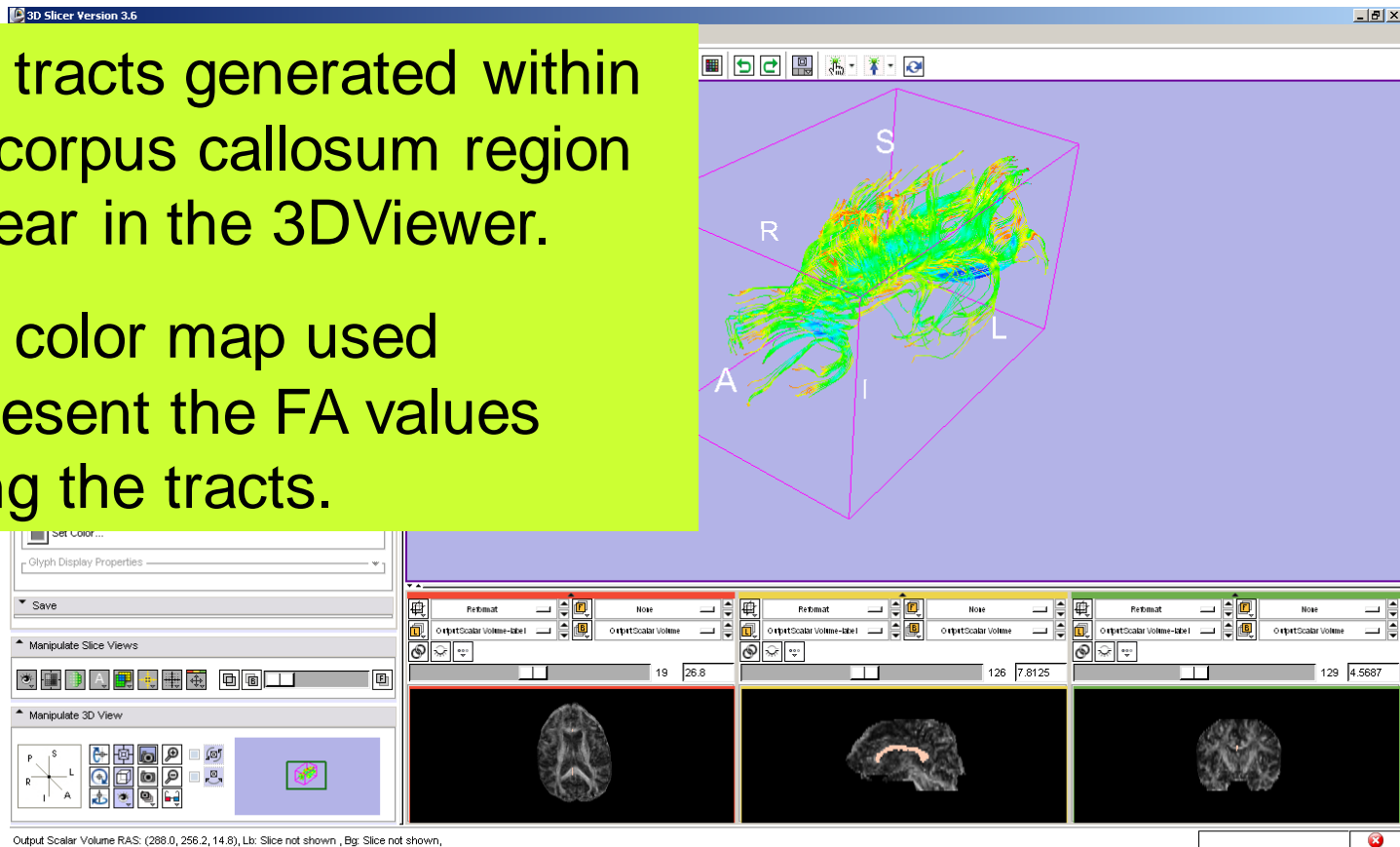
In the Label Definition tab, set 'Seeding label' to label 2, and click on **Apply**



LabelMap Seeding

The tracts generated within the corpus callosum region appear in the 3DViewer.

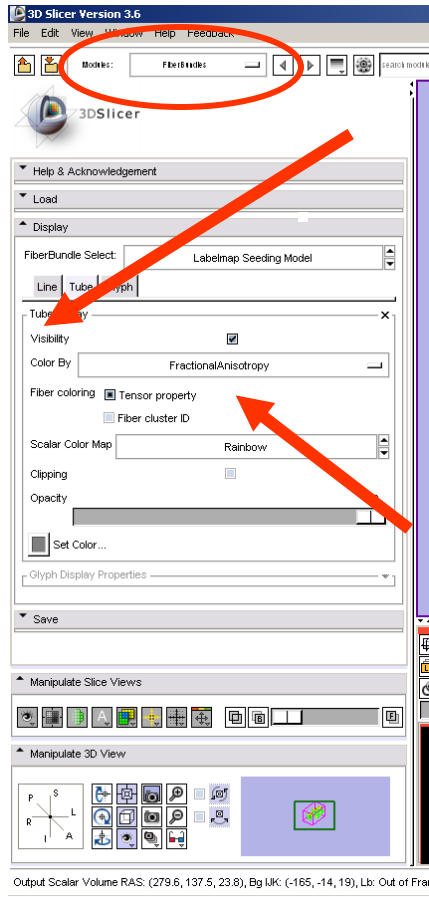
The color map used represent the FA values along the tracts.





LabelMap Seeding

Select the module **FiberBundles**, and click on the tab **Tube** in the Display panel

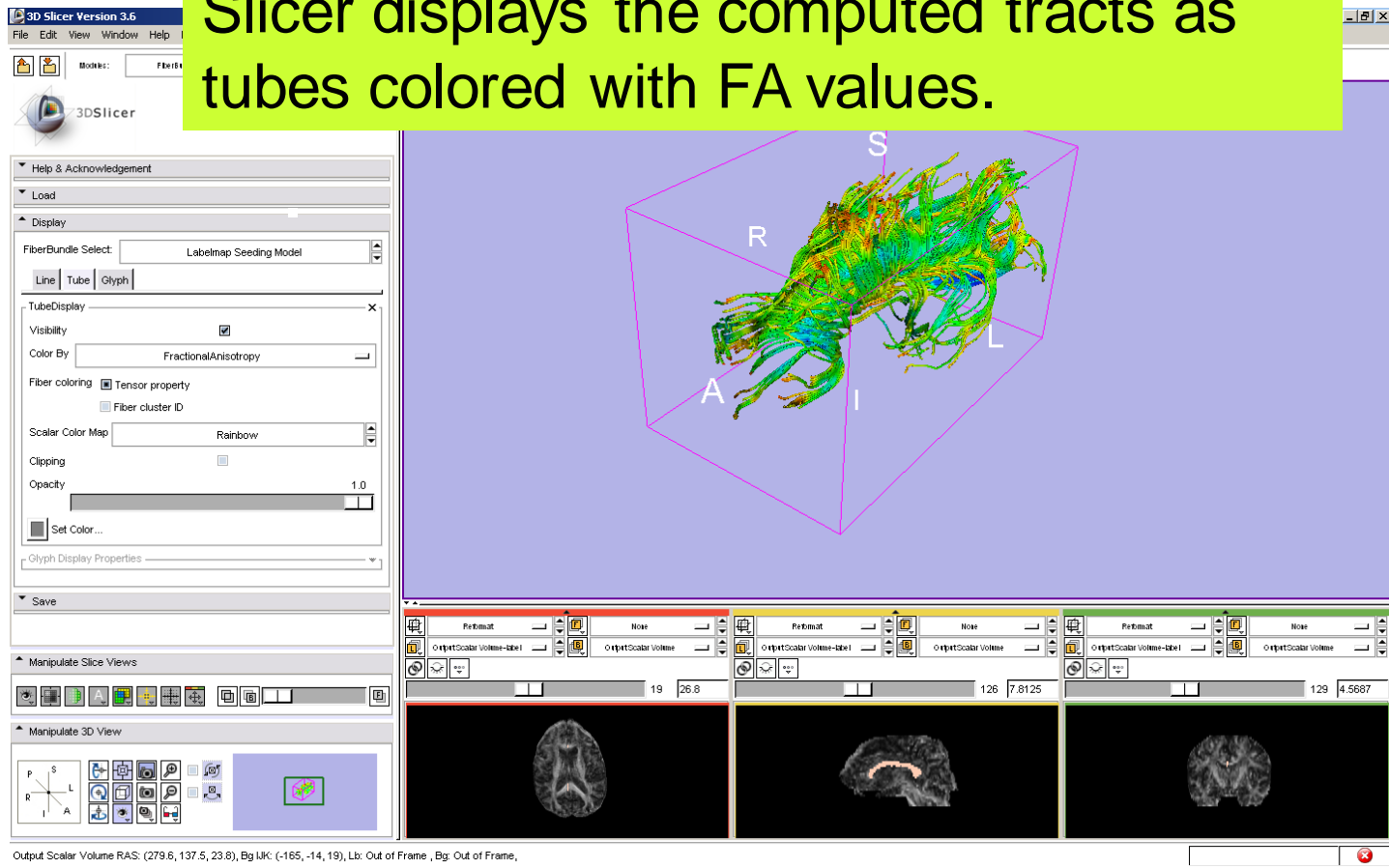


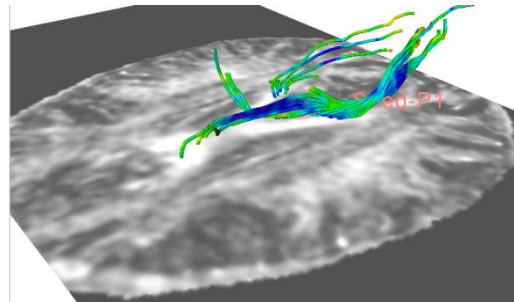
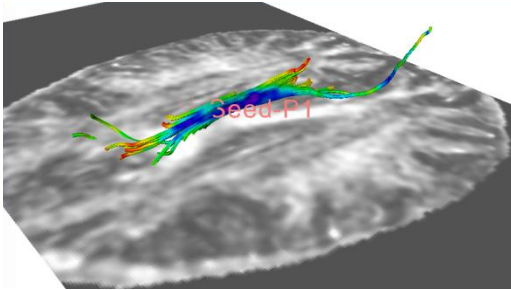
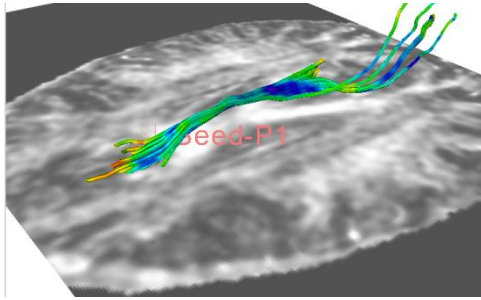
Check the visibility box to display the tubes.



LabelMap Seeding

Slicer displays the computed tracts as tubes colored with FA values.





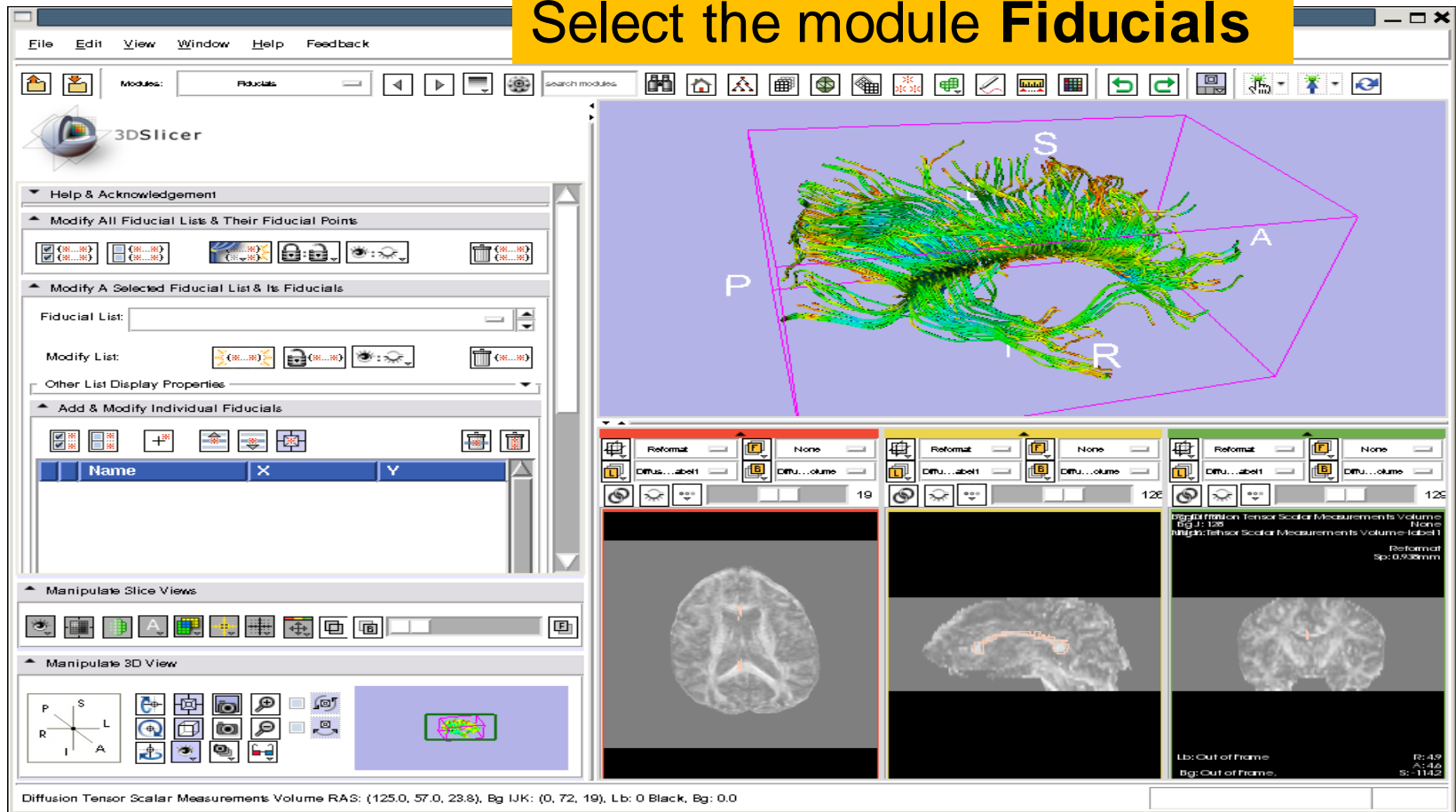
Part 4:

**Tractography
on-the-fly**



Fiducial Seeding

Select the module **Fiducials**





Fiducial Seeding

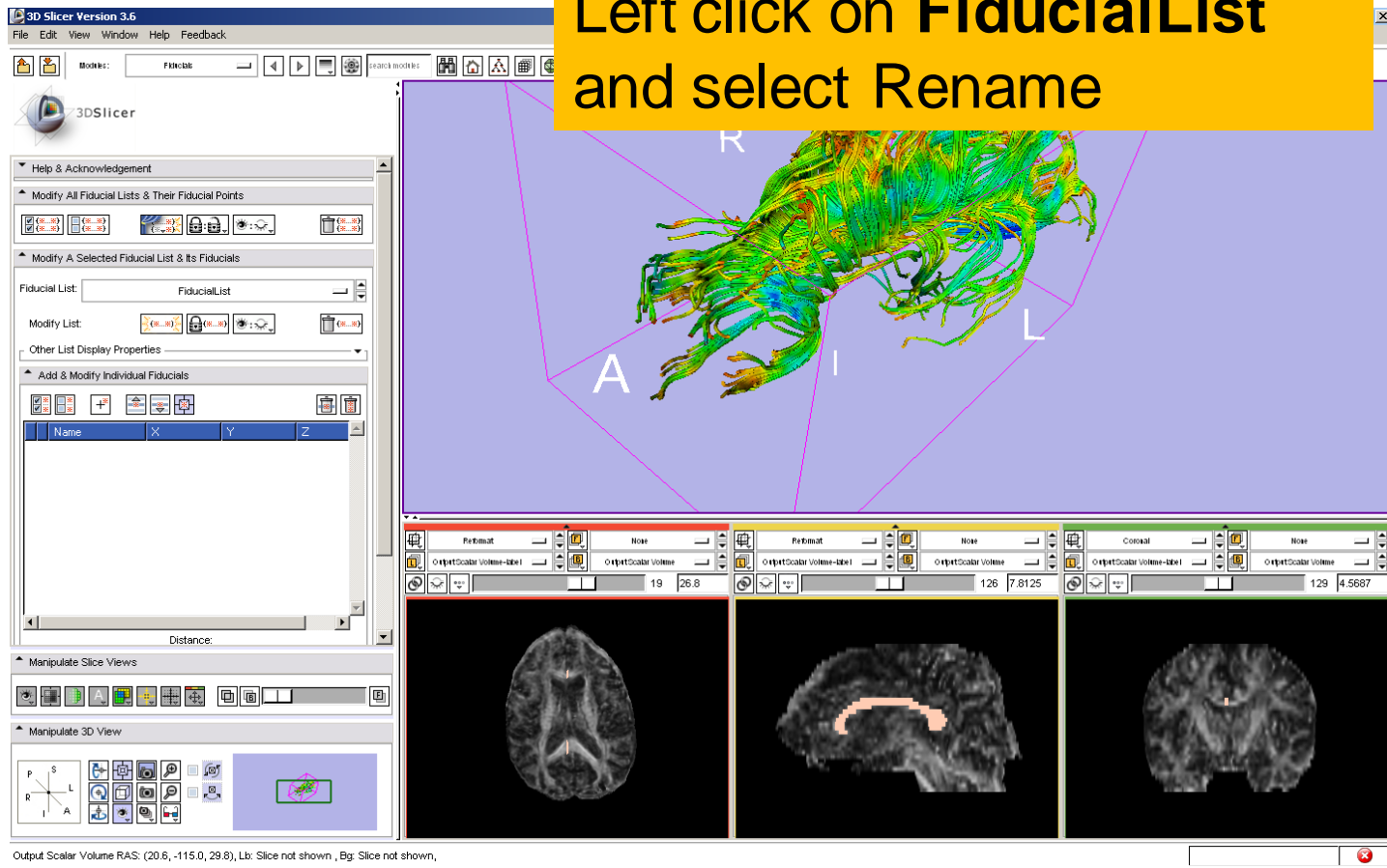
Set Fiducial List to Create New FiducialList

The screenshot displays the 3DSlicer software interface. The main window shows a 3D visualization of a brain with a purple bounding box and axes labeled P, S, I, R, and A. The left sidebar contains several panels: 'Help & Acknowledgement', 'Modify All Fiducial Lists & Their Fiducial Points', 'Modify A Selected Fiducial List & Its Fiducial', 'Add & Modify Individual Fiducials', 'Manipulate Slice Views', and 'Manipulate 3D View'. A red arrow points from the 'Set Fiducial List to Create New FiducialList' text to the 'Modify A Selected Fiducial List & Its Fiducial' panel. The bottom status bar displays the following information: Diffusion Tensor Scalar Measurements Volume RAS: (125.0, 57.0, 23.8), Bg IJK: (0, 72, 19), Lb: 0 Black, Bg: 0.0.



Fiducial Seeding

Left click on **FiducialList** and select **Rename**





Fiducial Seeding

Enter the new name **Seed**
and click on **Apply**

The screenshot displays a medical software interface for fiducial seeding. The main window shows a 3D visualization of a brain scan with a complex, multi-colored (green, yellow, orange) fiber-like structure. The interface is divided into several panels:

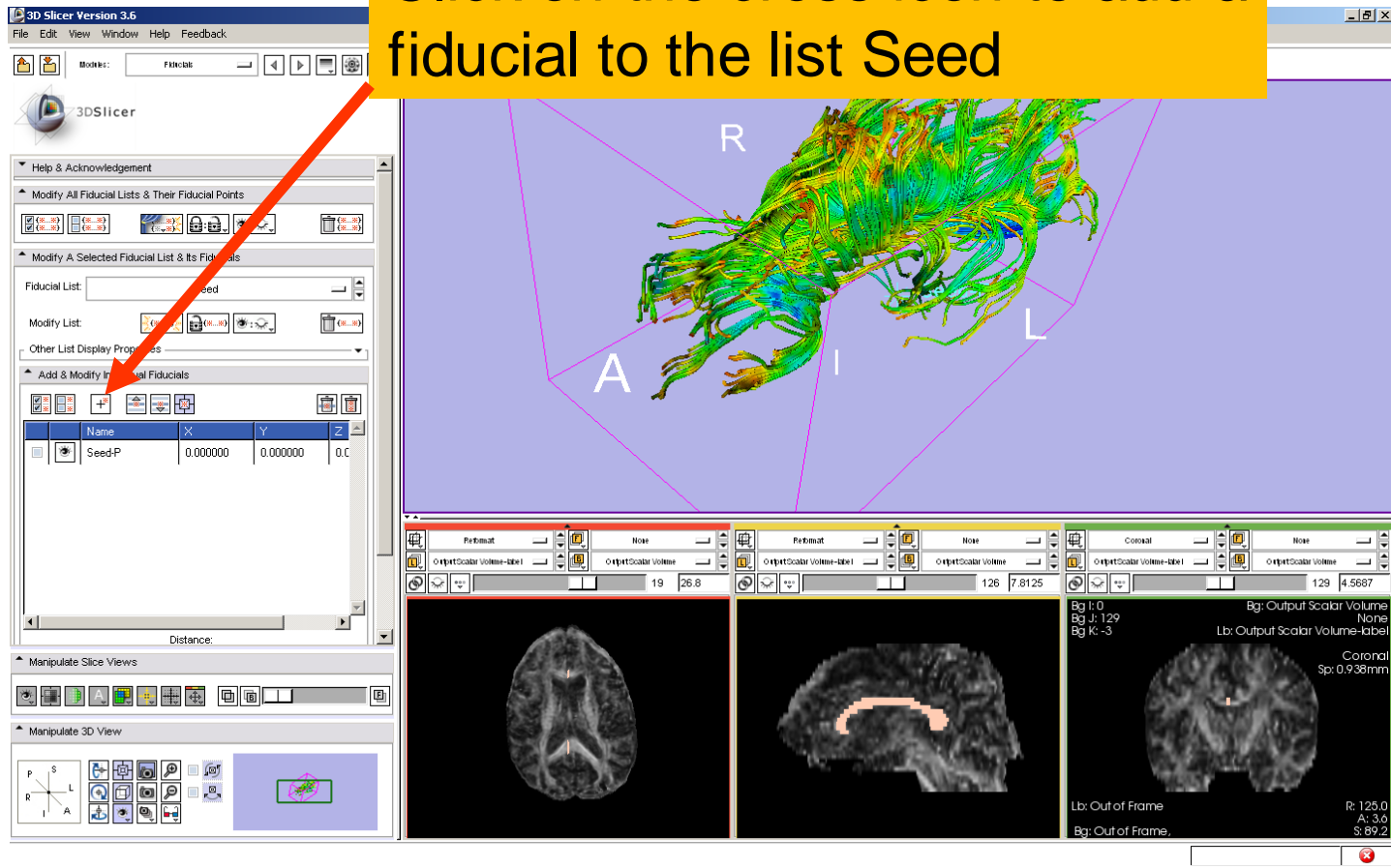
- Left Panel:** Contains a 'Fiducial List' dropdown menu set to 'Seed'. Below it, there are buttons for 'Modify List' and 'Add & Modify Individual Fiducials'. A table with columns 'Name', 'X', 'Y', and 'Z' is visible but empty.
- Top Panel:** A toolbar with various icons for navigation and manipulation.
- Bottom Panel:** Three slice views (axial, sagittal, and coronal) showing the brain scan. The sagittal view shows a red curved line representing the fiber structure.

At the bottom of the window, there is a status bar with the text: "Output Scalar Volume RAS: (20.6, -115.0, 29.8), Lx: Slice not shown, Bg: Slice not shown,"



Fiducial Seeding

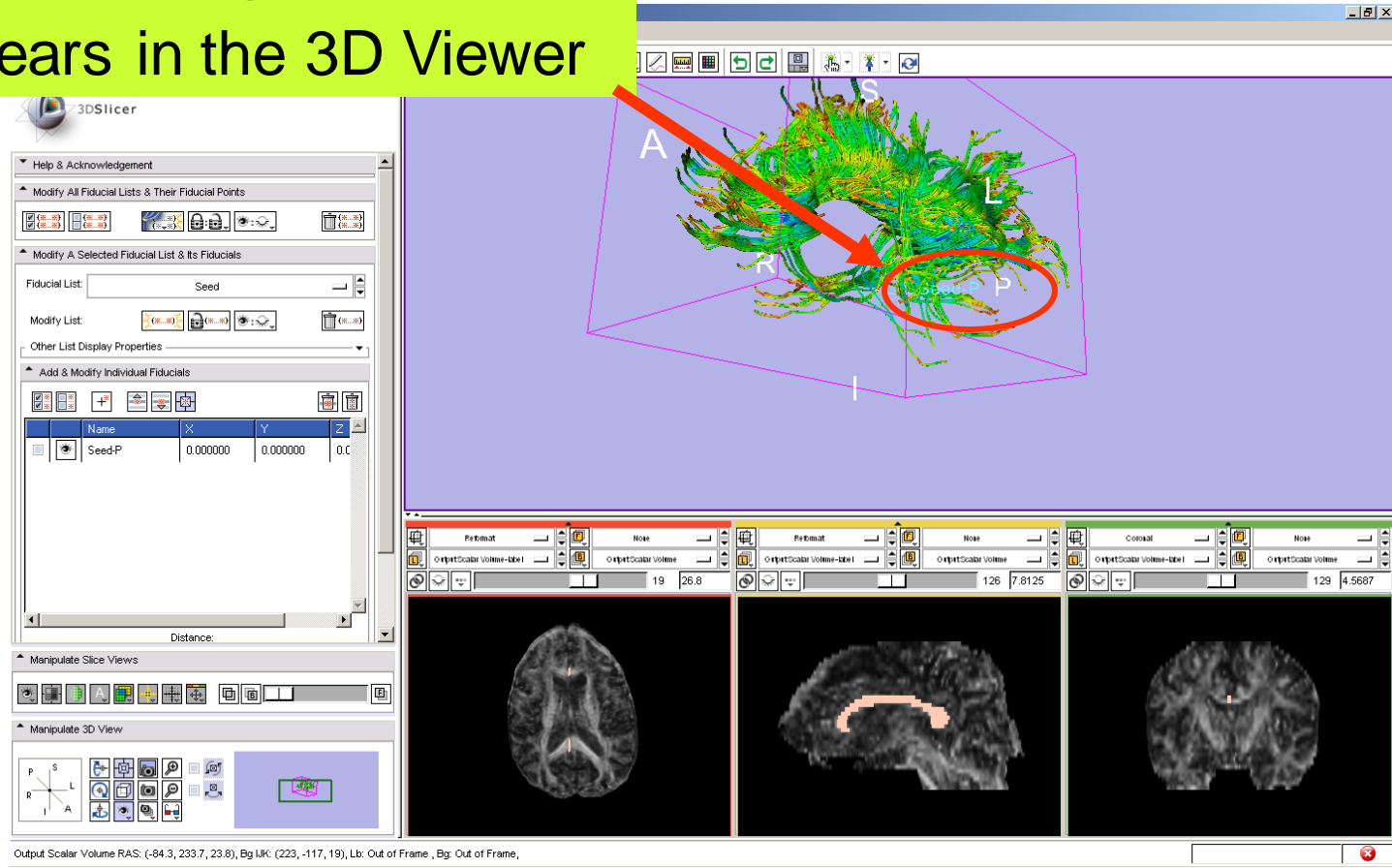
Click on the cross icon to add a fiducial to the list Seed





Fiducial Seeding

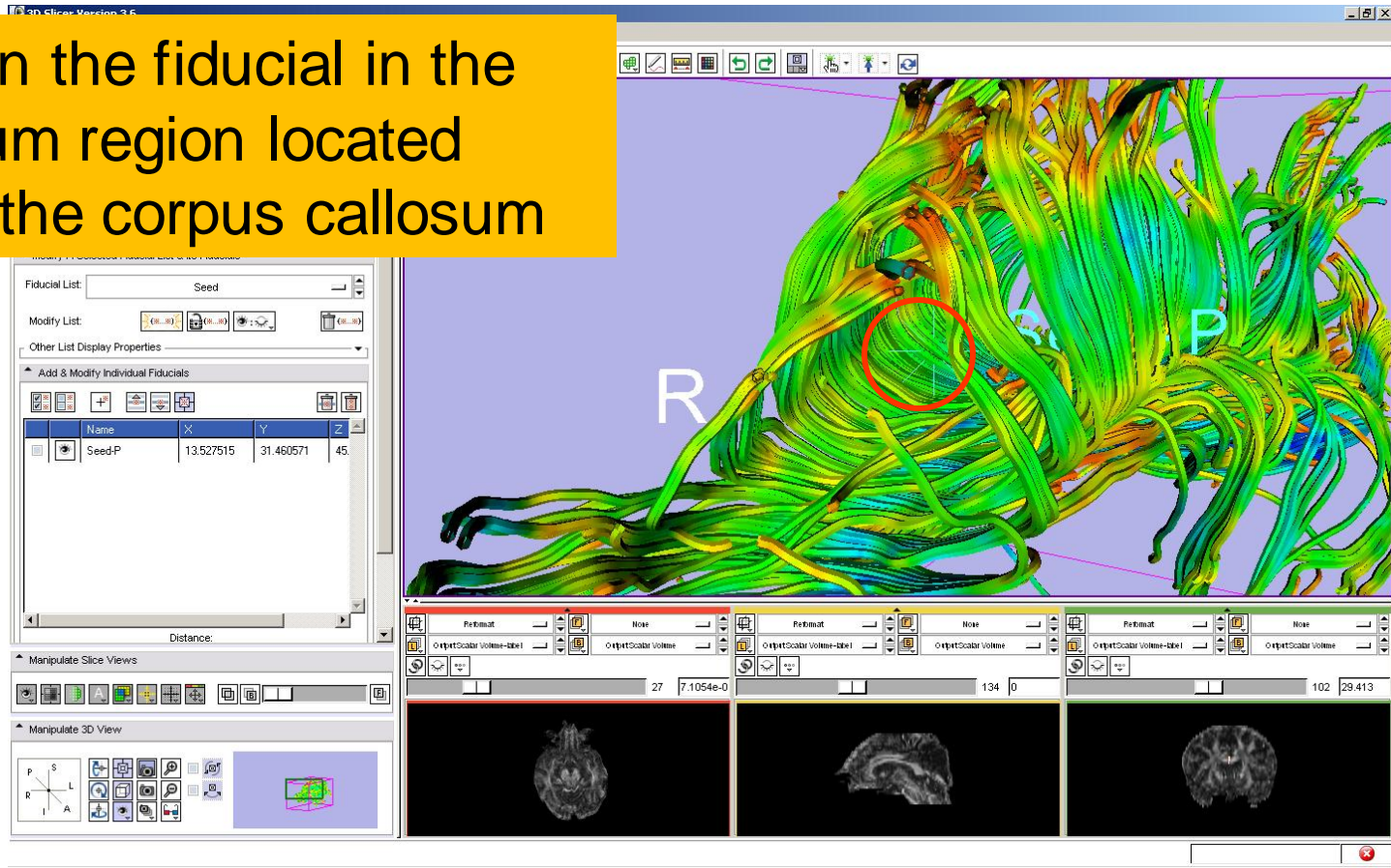
The fiducial **Seed-P** appears in the 3D Viewer





Fiducial Seeding

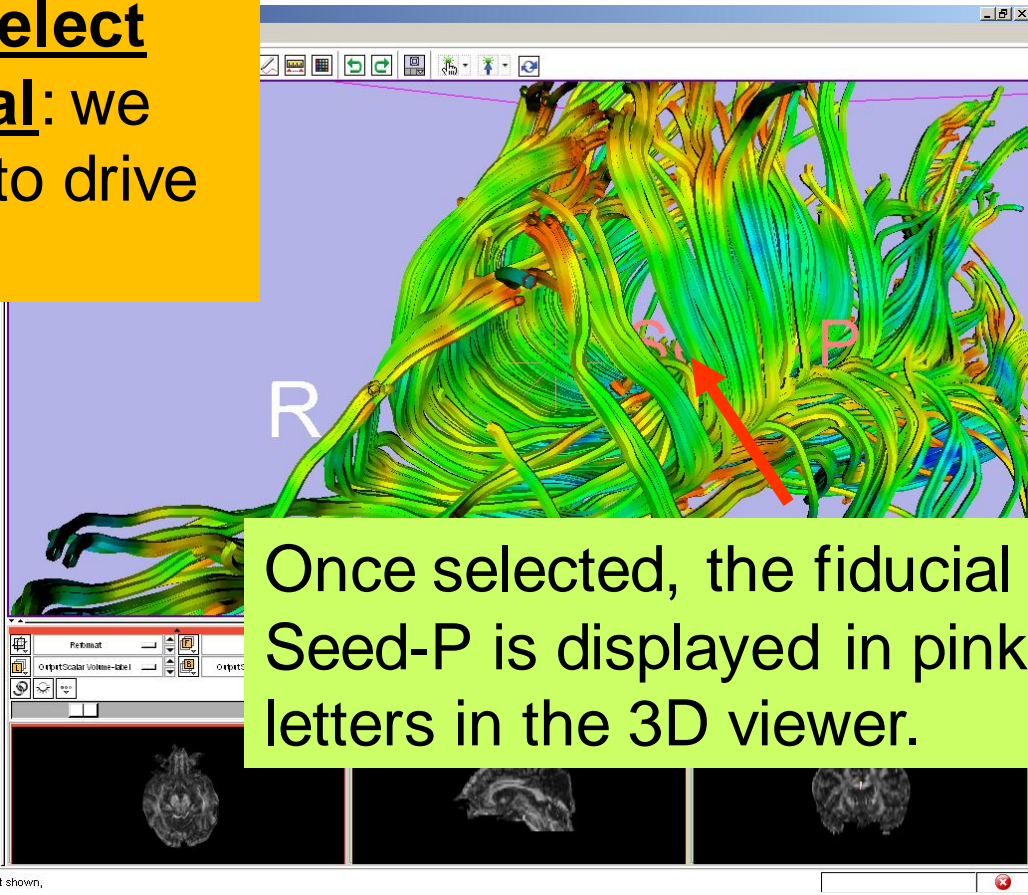
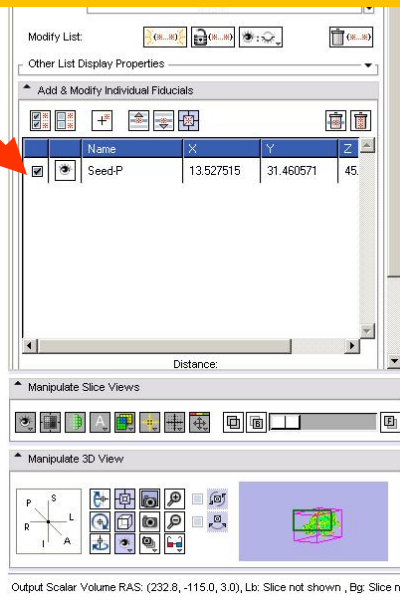
Position the fiducial in the cingulum region located above the corpus callosum





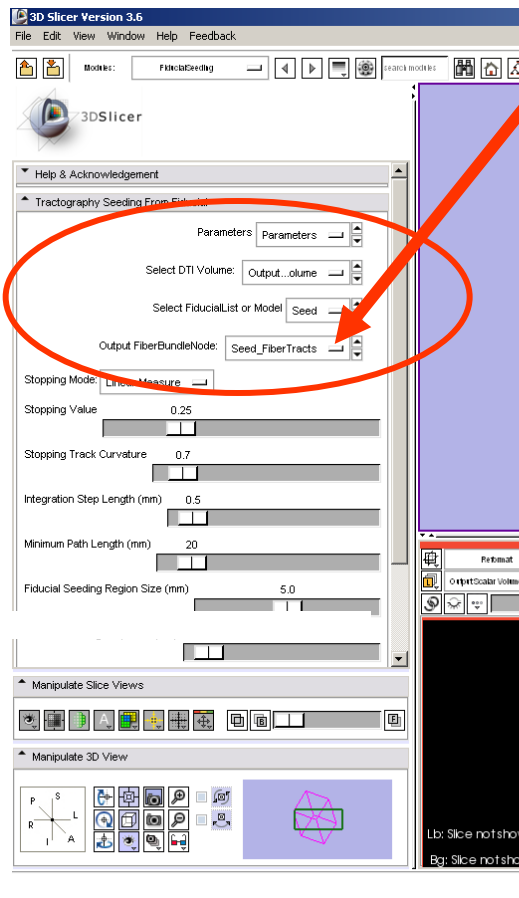
Fiducial Seeding

Check the box to select the 'Seed-P' fiducial: we will use this fiducial to drive the tractography





Fiducial Seeding



Select the module **Fiducial Seeding**

Set the Output FiberBundleNode to **Create New FiberBundle**

Important: this step must be done first



Fiducial Seeding

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Tractography Seeding From Fiducials

Parameters Parameters

Select DTI Volume: Output...volume

Select Fiducial List or Model: Seed

Output FiberBundleNode: Seed_FiberTracts

Stopping Mode: Line Measure

Stopping Value: 0.25

Stopping Track Curvature: 0.7

Integration Step Length (mm): 0.5

Minimum Path Length (mm): 20

Fiducial Seeding Region Size (mm): 5.0

Manipulate Slice Views

Manipulate 3D View

Output Scalar Volume-label: None

Output Scalar Volume: 13 43.628

Output Scalar Volume-label: None

Output Scalar Volume: 124 9.846

Output Scalar Volume-label: None

Output Scalar Volume: 158 -21.213

Bg: Output Scalar Volume

Lb: Output Scalar Volume-label

Reformat Sp: 3mm

Lb: Slice not shown

R: 105.0

A: -115.0

S: 40.0

Bg: 0

Bg J: 150

Bg K: 24

Bg: Output Scalar Volume

Lb: Output Scalar Volume-label

Reformat Sp: 0.938mm

Lb: 0 Black

R: 125.0

A: -22.2

S: 0.0

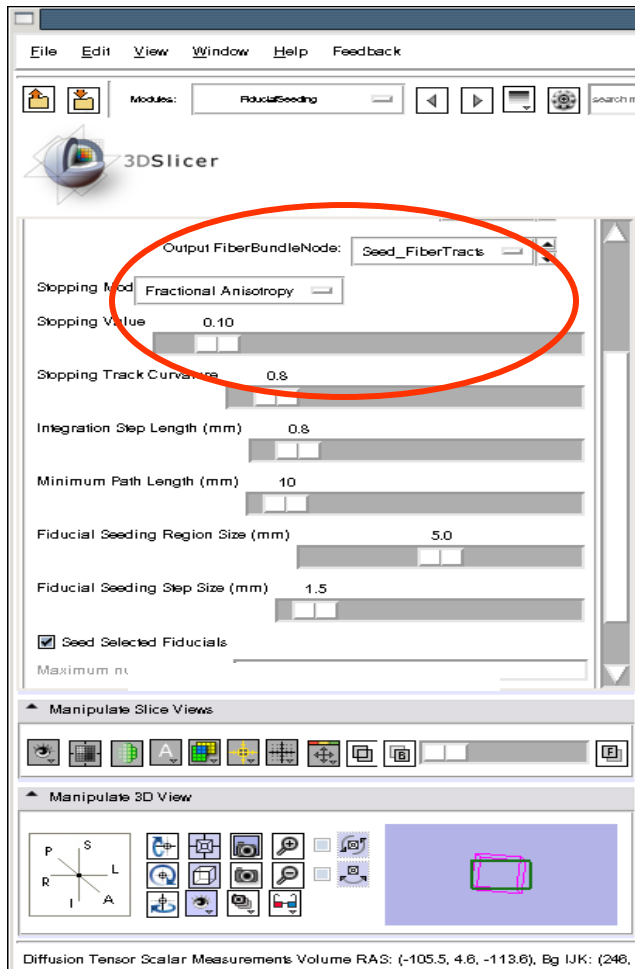
Seed AP

Set the DTI Volume to **Output DTI Volume**

Select the Fiducial List **Seed**



Fiducial Seeding



Set the Stopping Mode to **Fractional Anisotropy** and set the tractography parameters to the values that we used for the corpus callosum:

Stopping Value: 0.1

Stopping Track Curvature: 0.8

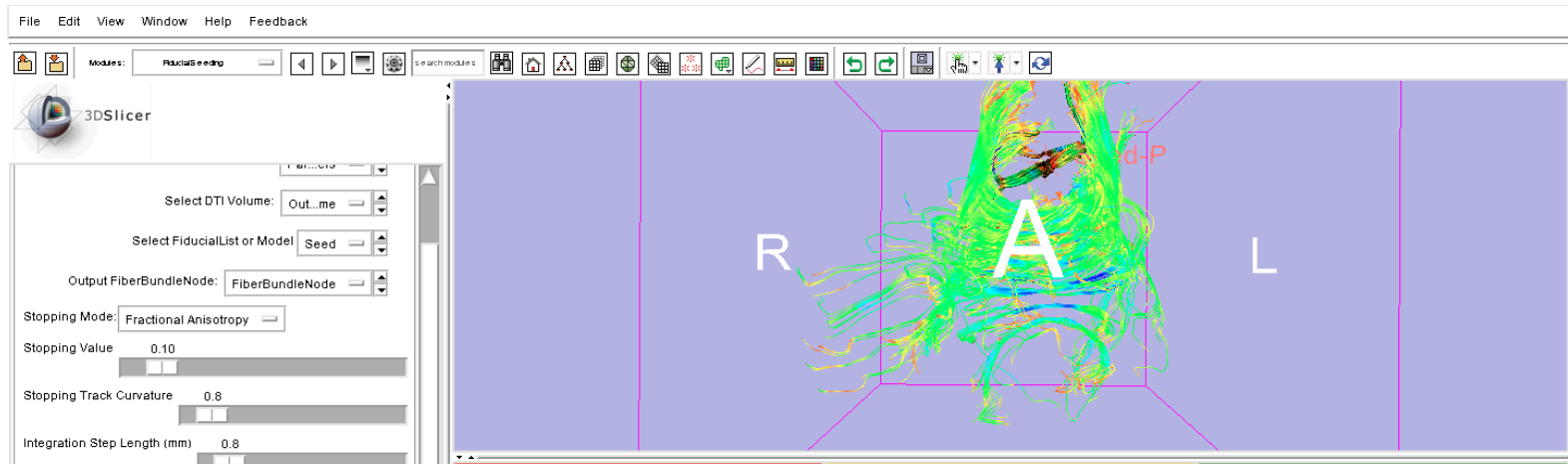
Step Length: 0.8 mm

Minimum Path Length: 10 mm

Fiducial Stepping Size: 1.5 mm



Fiducial Seeding



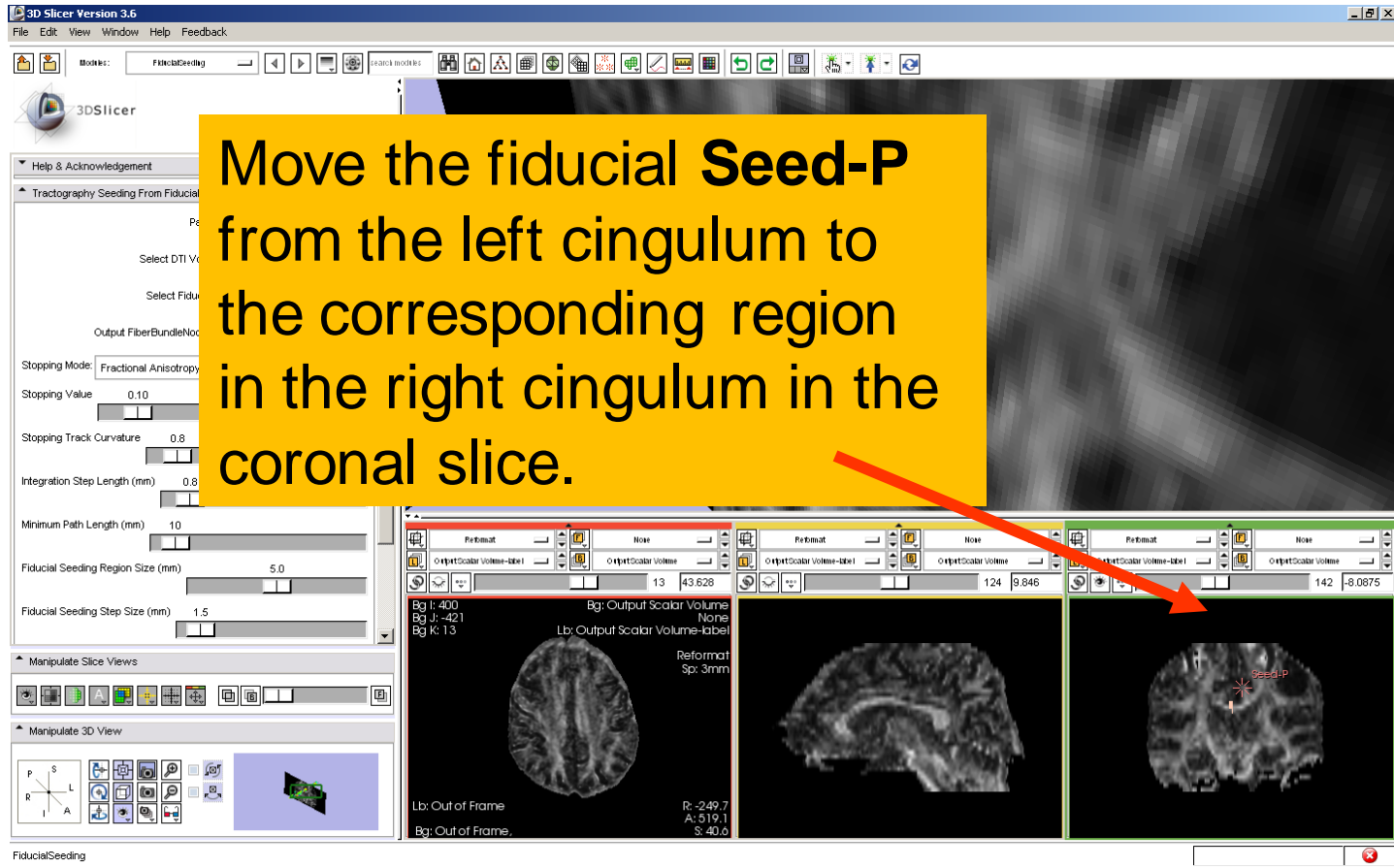
Slicer displays the tracts seeded from the Fiducial Seed-P.

The tracts correspond to the region of the cingulum located above the corpus callosum.

For better visualization, uncheck the visibility box under **Tubes** in the **Fiber Bundles** module (Slide 42).

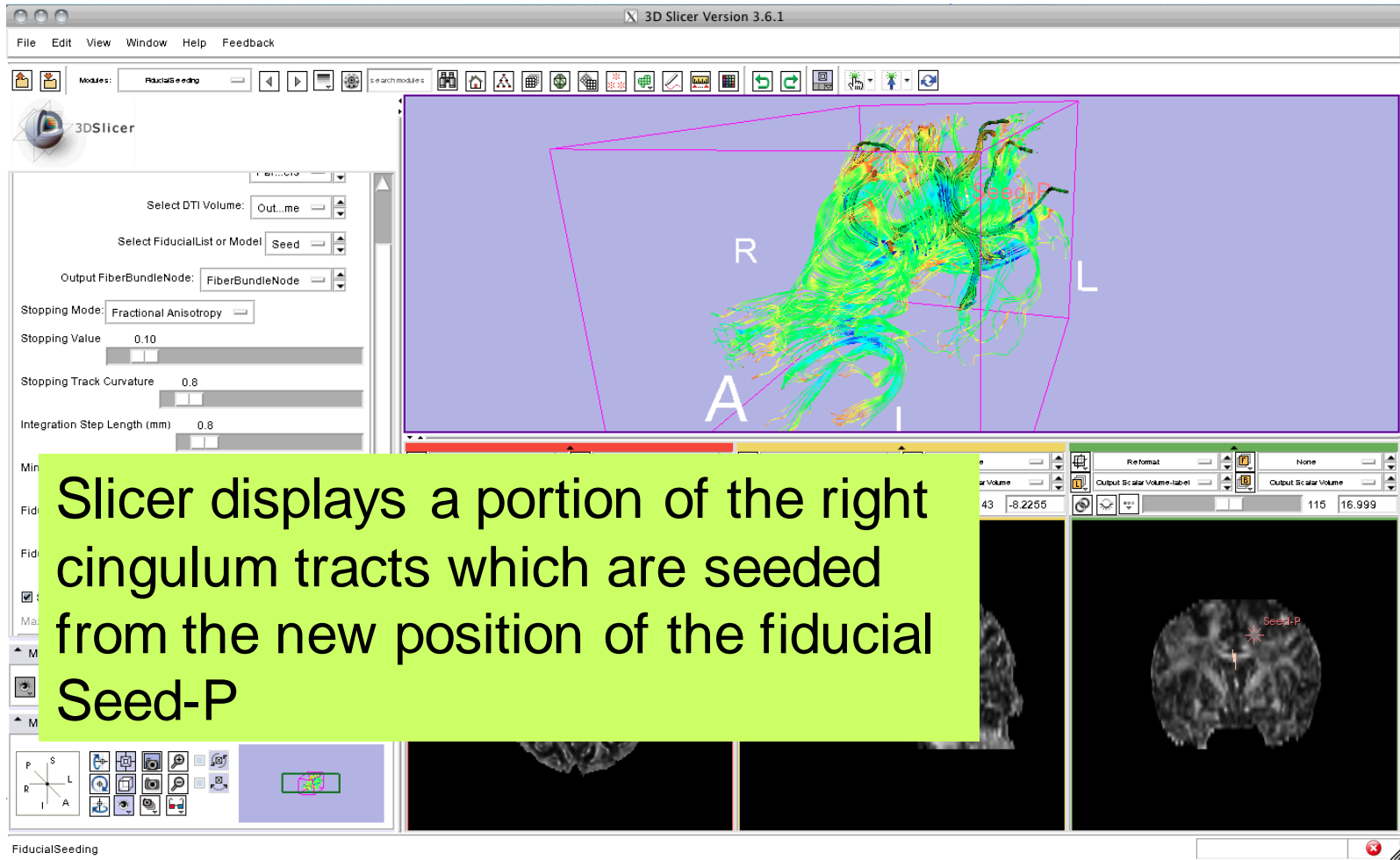


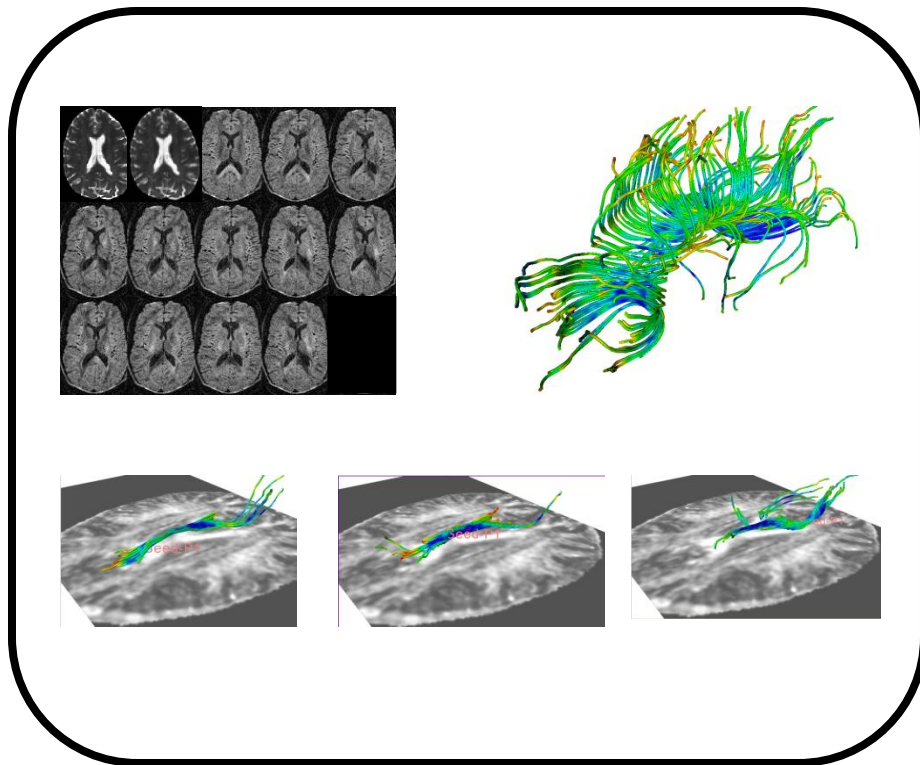
Fiducial Seeding





Fiducial Seeding





Part 5:

Saving a DTI Scene



DTI Scene

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Modules: Data

Select the module Data

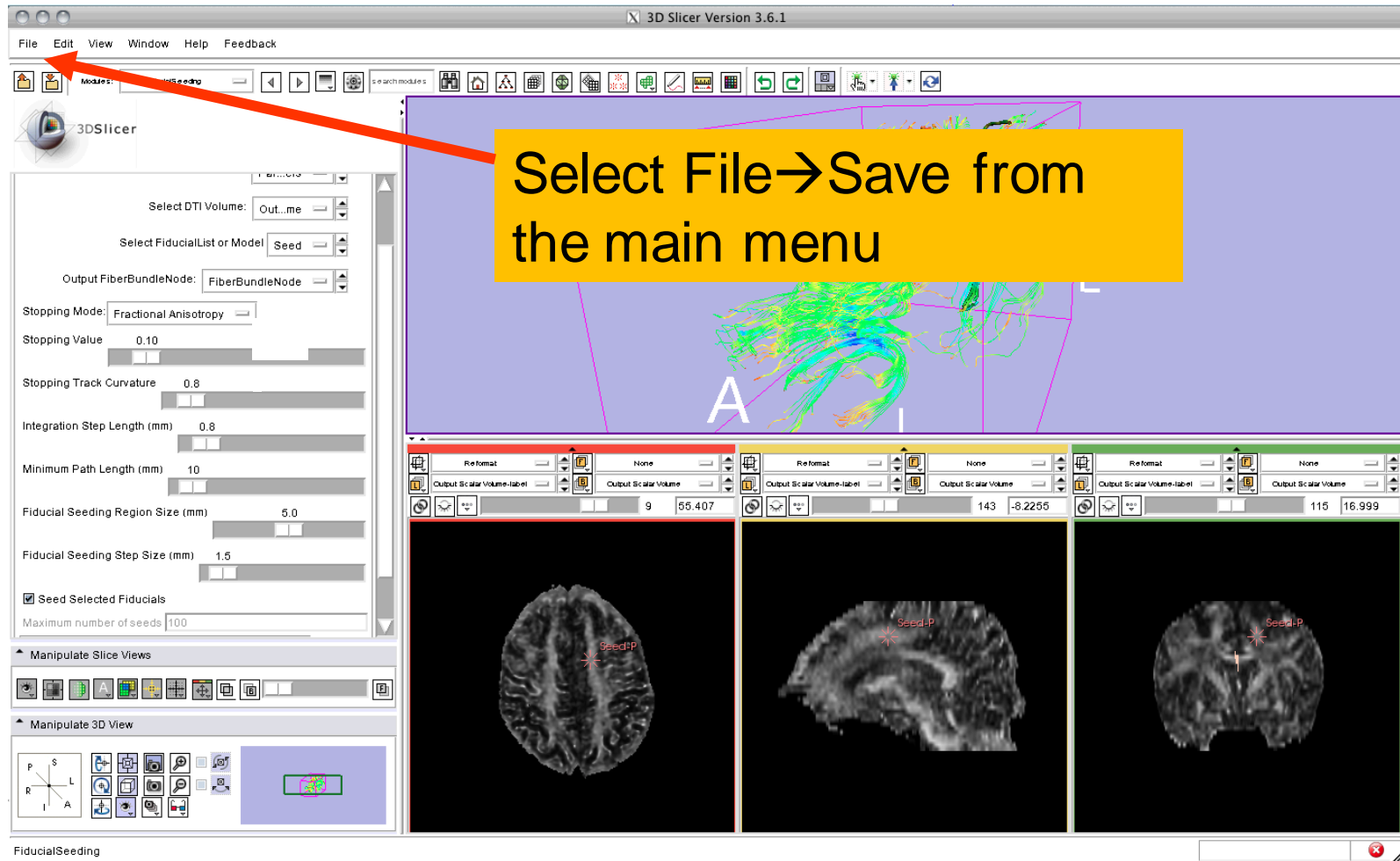
R A L

Slicer displays the list of volumes and models generated in this tutorial

Volume Name	Reformat	None	Output Scalar Volume-label	Output Scalar Volume	19	26.8	128	5,4688	129	4,5687
Output Scalar Volume-label										
Output Scalar Volume										



Saving a DTI Scene





Saving a DTI Scene

Browse to a directory where you would like to save the data. Once you have selected a directory, select all the files that have been created during this tutorial and click on **Save Selected**

Save Scene & Data Options

Change Destination for All Selected: D:/SlicerData/DiffusionDataset/

Select	Node Name	Node Type	Node Status	File Format	File Name	Data Directory
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	[Scene Description]	[SCENE]	Modified	MRML (.mrm)	SlicerScene1	D:/SlicerData/DiffusionDataset/
<input type="checkbox"/>	dwiDataset	DiffusionWei...	Not Modified	NRRD (.nhdr)	dwiDataset.nhdr	D:/SlicerData/DiffusionDataset/
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Output DTI Volume	DiffusionTen...	Not Modified	NRRD (.nhdr)	Output DTI Volume.nhdr	D:/SlicerData/DiffusionDataset/
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Output Baseline Volume	Volume	Modified	NRRD (.nrrd)	Output Baseline Volum...	D:/SlicerData/DiffusionDataset/
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Otsu Threshold Mask	Volume	Modified	NRRD (.nrrd)	Otsu Threshold Mask.n...	D:/SlicerData/DiffusionDataset/
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Output Scalar Volume	Volume	Modified	NRRD (.nrrd)	Output Scalar Volume...	D:/SlicerData/DiffusionDataset/
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Output Scalar Volume-label	Volume	Modified	NRRD (.nrrd)	Output Scalar Volume-l...	D:/SlicerData/DiffusionDataset/
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Labelmap Seeding Model	FiberBundle	Modified	Poly Data (.vtk)	Labelmap Seeding Mo...	D:/SlicerData/DiffusionDataset/
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Seed	FiducialList	Modified	Fiducial List CSV (.fcsv)	Seed.fcsv	D:/SlicerData/DiffusionDataset/
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Seed_FiberTracts	FiberBundle	Modified	Poly Data (.vtk)	Seed_FiberTracts.vtk	D:/SlicerData/DiffusionDataset/

Save Selected Cancel



Saving a DTI Scene

Select File → Close Scene to close the current DTI Scene

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Modules: SlicerWelcome

3DSlicer

Welcome & About

3DSlicer version 3.6 **Welcome**

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Hint: to open any information panel below, click on its grey title bar.

Don't show this module on startup.

Manipulate Slice Views

Manipulate 3D View

None RAS: (87.3, 1.0, -125.0)



Loading a DTI Scene

Select File → Load Scene and browse to the location where you saved the scene **SlicerScene1.mrml**

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File Edit View Window Help

Modules: SlicerWelcome

3DSlicer

Welcome & About

3DSlicer version 3.6 Welcome

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Manipulate Slice Views

Manipulate 3D View

None RAS: (87.3, 1.0, -125.0)



Loading a DTI Scene

Select the scene **SlicerScene1.mrml and click on **Open****

Name	Size	Modified time
SlicerScene1.mrml	28 KB	07/31/10 16:13:36

File name: SlicerScene1.mrml
Files of type: Scenes (.mrml;.xml;.xcat)

Open
Cancel

None RAS: (87.3, 1.0, -125.0),



Loading a DTI Scene

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Select the module Data

The screenshot displays the 3D Slicer software interface. The top toolbar shows the 'Data' module selected, indicated by a red circle. The main window shows a 3D visualization of a brain with fiber bundles. The axes are labeled R (Right), L (Left), A (Anterior), and I (Inferior). Below the 3D view are three orthogonal slice views: Axial, Sagittal, and Coronal. The Axial slice shows a red star labeled 'Seed.P'. The bottom status bar shows 'Data'.

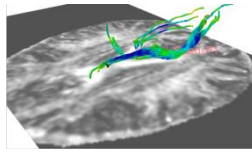
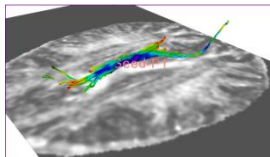
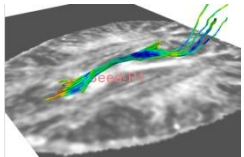
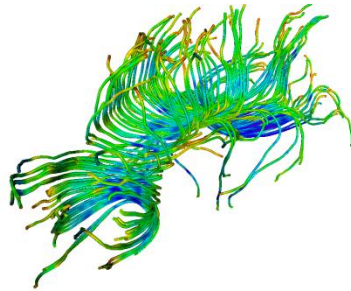
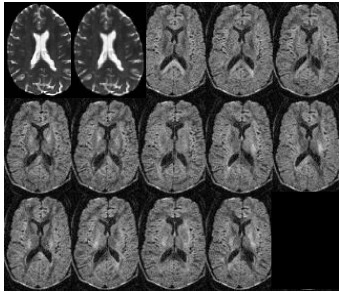


Loading a DTI Scene

Slicer loads all the elements of the DTI Scene that were previously computed.



Conclusion



This tutorial guided you through some of the **Diffusion MR** capabilities of the **Slicer3** software for studying the brain white matter pathways.

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