

An automated quantitative image analysis pipeline of *in vivo* oxidative stress and macrophage kinetics

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Abbreviations used: (3D+t), three-dimensional time-lapse imaging; CTF, Corrected Total Fluorescence; DICE, Dice similarity coefficient; DHE, Dihydroethidium; dpf, days post-fertilization; FOV, Field of View; IntDen, Integrated Density; MPI, minutes post injury; ROI, Region of Interest; ROS, reactive oxygen species; μm , micrometer

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Table S1. User-defined parameters and their corresponding functionalities in *Zirmi* to execute an image analysis

User Input	Default	Module	Functionality in <i>Zirmi</i>
Minutes Post Injury (MPI)	30 minutes	1	initial image time stamp in reference to injury; used to standardize time points across different imaging batches
Sampling Frequency	1 minute/frame	1	the rate at which images are taken; used to standardize time points across different imaging batches
Lateral Resolution	1.64 μm / pixel	1	used to compute quantitative measures
Z-stack resolution	10 μm	1	used to compute quantitative measures
Bits per pixel (BPP)	16	1	Bit depth; used to compute quantitative measures
Parameter 1	Otsu value	2	used to threshold pixel intensities for image segmentation
Parameter 2	NA	2	outline of wound perimeter
Parameter 3	65 μm	2	radial distance extended from wound perimeter; used to reproduce wound region of interest
Parameter 4	NA	2	outline of background regions
Parameter 5	70%	3	percent used to select cell tracks based on distinguishable centroid positions relative to time domain
Parameter 6	0.9 μm		used to threshold cell movements as static
Parameter 7	NA	3	used to outline a zero position, S_0 position; epicenter of wound
Parameter 8	NA	3	defines spatial domain, $S1$

Parameter 9	150 μm	3	defines the successive spatial domain radial extensions to define S2, S3, and S4
Parameter 10	NA	4	defines central directory used to save databases and visualizations
N/A, Not applicable		<i>Zirmi</i> is open-source permitting customization	

Table S2. Comparison of single wounded zebrafish macrophage velocity and static ratio by time frame interval total cell averages

Time frame [min]	Velocity [$\mu\text{m} / \text{min}$]	Respective P value	Static Ratio (0 to 1)	Respective P value
	<i>Interval</i>		<i>Interval</i>	
Zirmi 30-59, (Interval 1, Z-I)	3.03 ± 1.2	vs. Z-II, ** $p=0.009$ vs. Z-III, *** $p=0.0009$	0.43 ± 0.37	vs. Z-II, n.s., $p=0.14$ vs. Z-III, * $p=0.01$
Zirmi 60-89 (Interval II, Z-II)	4.00 ± 2	vs. Z-III, * $p=0.03$,	0.35 ± 0.35	vs. Z-III, n.s. $p=0.1$
Zirmi 90-120 (Interval III, Z-III)	5.08 ± 1.5	vs. PhagoSight * $p=0.01$	0.16 ± 0.13	vs. PhagoSight 30-120 *** $p=0.0004$
	<i>Cumulative</i>		<i>Cumulative</i>	
PhagoSight 30-120	4.01 ± 1.77	vs. Z-I, ** $p=0.004$ vs. Z-II, n.s, $p=0.9$	0.40 ± 0.39	vs. Z-I, n.s. $p=0.96$ vs. Z-II, n.s. $p=0.6$
Zirmi 30-120 (Z -I,II,III)	4.02 ± 1.33	vs. PhagoSight 30-120, n.s. $p=0.34$	0.32 ± 0.26	vs. PhagoSight 30-120, n.s. $p=0.42$
Zirmi 30-59, data taken during the interval of 30-59 minutes, Zirmi 60-89 reflects the 60-89 minute interval, Zirmi 90-120 reflects 90-120 minute interval. PhagoSight 30-120 the 30-120 minute interval as determined by the PhagoSight software n.s., Not Significant, Wilcoxon signed-rank test (* $p<0.05$, * * $p<0.01$, *** $p<0.001$, n.s. > 0.05);				

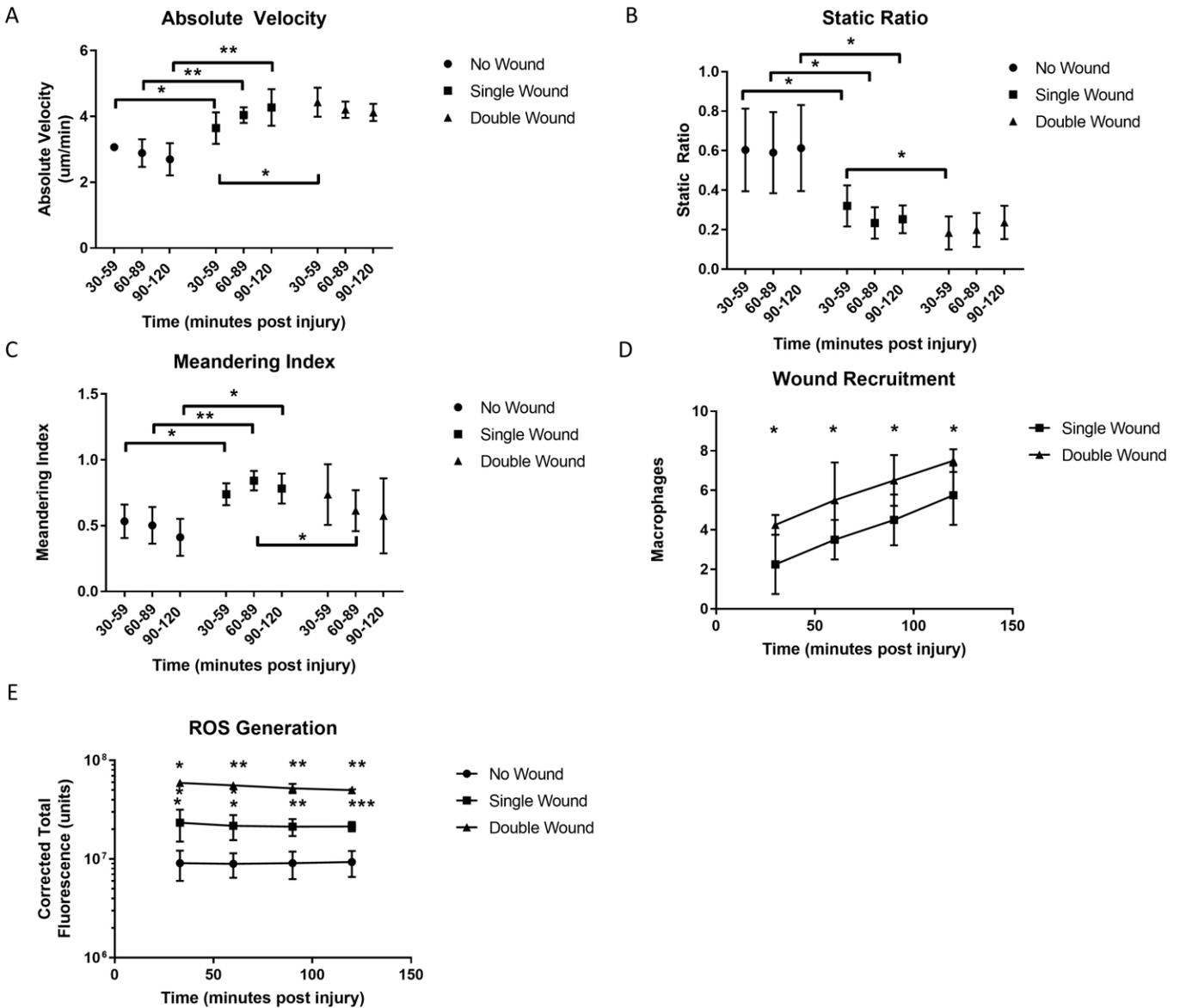


Figure S1. Wound severity comparative analysis. Macrophage absolute velocities (A), static ratios (B), and meandering (C) at three intervals: 30-59, 60-89, and 90-120 minutes post injury in unwounded, singly wounded, and doubly wounded fins. Macrophage cumulative wound recruitment in fish with single wounds (D) was compared to those with double wounds; ROS generation shown as Corrected Total Fluorescence (CTF) in unwounded fish (n=4) was compared to singly wounded (n=4) fish, and singly wounded CTF was compared to doubly wounded (n=3) fish at user defined time points (E). All values are shown as mean \pm SD in GraphPad, Prism.

Script S1

```
%% Supplementary_ScriptS1
% Zirmi Source Information can be found at:
% <https://github.com/ADParedes/Zirmi>
% Written By: Andre Daniel Paredes | email: andre.paredes@gmail.com
% MATLAB Source Information can be found at:
% <https://www.mathworks.com/help/images/image-analysis.html>
% Description: Single Image Processing Workflow commonly performed through available
MATLAB tool. Requires manual modifications of thresholding and morphological function
values per image.
%% Define the following Directories appropriately
cd      (dirScript_Z_Supplementary)
addpath (dirScript_E_Functions)
%% Section A: Read Image Data and Preprocess
%-Step A1: Read Image data into workspace from preselected directory
fluorFish      = imread('fluorescent_fish.tif');
%-Step A2: Format fluorescen_fish image to a standardized bit format to streamline processing
bytes          = 2^16-1;
I              = im2uint16(fluorFish);
%-Step A3: adjust Image to allow for more rigid image segmentations
background     = imopen(I,strel('disk',15));
I2             = I - background;
I3             = imadjust(I2);
figure        ();imshow(I3);
%% Section B: Threshold Fish Tail
% Step B1. Detect entire Fish Tail
[~, threshold] = edge(I, 'sobel');
fudgeFactor    = .55;
BW_s           = edge(I,'sobel', threshold * fudgeFactor);
figure(), imshow(BW_s), title('binary gradient mask');
% Step B2. Morphological Operate Binary Image
se90           = strel('line', 3, 90);
se0            = strel('line', 3, 0);
BW_sdil       = imdilate(BW_s, [se90 se0]);
BW_dfill      = imfill(BW_sdil,'holes');
BW2           = bwareaopen(BW_dfill, 1000);
seD           = strel('diamond',1);
BW_final      = imerode(BW2,seD);
BW_final      = imerode(BW_final,seD);
BW_final      = bwareaopen(BW_final,1000);
%-Step B3. Show fish tail image segmentation
BW_outline    = bwperim(BW_final);
thickBW_perim = bwmorph(BW_outline,'thicken',1);
Segout        = I;
Segout(thickBW_perim)= bytes;
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imgFinalPerim    = imoverlay(I,thickBWperim,[1 1 0]);  
figure();  
imshow(imgFinalPerim);  
title('outlined original image');  
%% Section C: Extrapolate Binary Image Components for further Analysis  
binaryImgComp    = bwconncomp(BWfinal,4);
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Script S1 Description: Example of a single image processing pipeline commonly performed through available MATLAB tools; Requires custom user-defined modifications of thresholding and morphological function values per image.

Script S2

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%% Supplementary_ScriptS2
% Zirmi Source Information can be found at:
% <https://github.com/ADParedes/Zirmi>
% Written By: Andre Daniel Paredes | email: andre.paredes@gmail.com
% Description: This uses “mindthegap” function incorporated into Zirmi as
% a means to reproduce a wound region, acquire raw pixel intensity values, and eliminate
% confounding fluorescence within the wound gap that is difficult and time consuming
% to perform manually.
%% Define the following directories appropriately:
cd (dirScript_Z_Supplementary)
addpath (dirScript_E_Functions)
%% Section A: Read Image Data and Preprocess
%-Step A1: Read Image data into workspace from preselected directory
fluorFish = imread('fluorescent_fish.tif');
%-Step A2: Format fluorescen_fish image to a standardized bit format to streamline processing
bytes = 2^16-1;
fluorFishImg = im2uint16(fluorFish);
%-Step A3: adjust Image to allow for more rigid image segmentations
image_background = imopen(fluorFishImg, strel('disk', 15));
fluorFishImg_v2 = fluorFishImg - image_background;
fluorFishImg_v3 = imadjust(fluorFishImg_v2);
%% Section B: Threshold Fish Tail
%-Step B1: Threshold Fish Fluorescence to ascertain binary image
[~, threshold_fluor] = edge(fluorFishImg, 'sobel');
fudgeFactor = .55;
binaryFishImg = edge(fluorFishImg, 'sobel', threshold_fluor * fudgeFactor);
%-Step B2. Apply Morphological Operations to enhance image segmentation
structElement_90 = strel('line', 3, 90);
structElement_0 = strel('line', 3, 0);
binaryFishImg_dil = imdilate(binaryFishImg, [structElement_90 structElement_0]);
binaryFishImg_fill = imfill(binaryFishImg_dil, 'holes');
binaryFishImg_open = bwareaopen(binaryFishImg_fill, 1000);
structElement_D = strel('diamond', 1);
binaryFishImg_erode_v1 = imerode(binaryFishImg_open, structElement_D);
binaryFishImg_erode_v2 = imerode(binaryFishImg_erode_v1, structElement_D);
binaryFishImg_Final = bwareaopen(binaryFishImg_erode_v2, 1000);
%-Step B3. Show fish tail image segmentation
fishImg_perim = bwperim(binaryFishImg_Final);
fishImg_perim_v2 = bwmorph(fishImg_perim, 'thicken', 1);
Segout = fluorFishImg;
Segout(fishImg_perim_v2) = bytes;
disp_fish_image_seg = imoverlay(fluorFishImg, fishImg_perim_v2, [1 1 0]);
figure1 = figure();
imshow(disp_fish_image_seg);
title('fluorescent fish tail image segmentation');
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%% Section C: Standardize image segmentation of "V-Shaped" injury
%-Step C1: Determine Image Size
[width_x,height_y] = size(fluorFishImg);
%-Step C2: Trace Wound Gap
disp ('Please trace a "V" along te wound perimeter')
warning ('Be sure to extend "V" line to open water')
warning ('DO NOT close the V or make any closed shape')
f2 = figure(2);
imagesc (disp_fish_image_seg);
title ('Trace Wound Perimeter');
%-Step C3: Identify and check wound gap region in reference to image
[nodes_xPos, nodes_yPos] = getline(f2);
binary_woundgap_seg = poly2mask(nodes_xPos,nodes_yPos,width_x,height_y);
exist_woundgap = sum(sum(binary_woundgap_seg));
if exist_woundgap > 0
    exist_woundgap = 1;
    bw_woundgap_outline = bwperim(binary_woundgap_seg);
    Segout_woundgap = imoverlay(fluorFishImg,...
                                binary_woundgap_seg,[1 0 0]);
    f3 = figure(3);
    imshow(Segout_woundgap);
    title ('Trace Wound Perimeter');
else
    warning ('Wound Perimeter was not Properly traced')
    disp ('Please rerun script')
    disp ('Supplementary_ScriptS2 Terminated')
    return
end;
%% Section D: Automate wound Region ROI image segmentation
clc; close all
%-Step D1: Predefine variables
% User-determiend radial Distance from wound Gap
roi_rad_dist = 15; % user based
% Arrays used to store computations
Arr_posCirCent = {0};
Arr_xCirCent = {0};
Arr_yCircCent = {0};
Binary_circMASK = {0}; % = combo;
Binary_perimROI = {0};% = raw_combo;
point_dists = (0);
%-Step D2-D6: Employ for loop to address each node
lensNode = length(nodes_xPos);
countTraceNodes = 0;
for countTraceNodes = 1:(lensNode-1)
%-Step D2: Calculate Line equation between traced nodes
temp_cirCenter = 0; % clear variable

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% First or iniial node position
temp_xPos_i      = nodes_xPos(countTraceNodes);
temp_yPos_i      = nodes_yPos(countTraceNodes);
% Second or final node position
if countTraceNodes == lensNode
    temp_xPos_f      = nodes_xPos(1);
    temp_yPos_f      = nodes_yPos(1);
else
    temp_xPos_f      = nodes_xPos(countTraceNodes+1);
    temp_yPos_f      = nodes_yPos(countTraceNodes+1);
end;
% Display trace line between the two nodes
f2              = figure(2+countTraceNodes);
imagesc (fluorFishImg);
hold on
plot (nodes_xPos,nodes_yPos,'LineWidth',2,'Color','r')
plot (temp_xPos_i,temp_yPos_i,'c*','LineWidth',2)
plot (temp_xPos_f,temp_yPos_f,'y*','LineWidth',2)
hold on
% Calculate Euclid Distance Between Nodes
point_dists(countTraceNodes) = pdist([temp_xPos_i,...
                                       temp_yPos_i;temp_xPos_f,...
                                       temp_yPos_f]);
temp_point_dist      = point_dists(countTraceNodes);
% Number of circle centers for every pixel between nodes
numCircles           = round(temp_point_dist);
% Calculate line equation in reference to image
lineCoeffs          = polyfit([temp_xPos_i, temp_xPos_f],...
                              [temp_yPos_i, temp_yPos_f],1);
aCoeff              = lineCoeffs (1);
bCoeff              = lineCoeffs (2);
min_xPos            = min(nodes_xPos(countTraceNodes:countTraceNodes+1));
max_xPos            = max(nodes_xPos(countTraceNodes:countTraceNodes+1));
min_yPos            = min(nodes_yPos(countTraceNodes:countTraceNodes+1));
max_yPos            = max(nodes_yPos(countTraceNodes:countTraceNodes+1));
%-Step D3: Map circle centers for wound region ROI
% Determine circle center positions respective to image
cirCent_xPos        = linspace(min_xPos,max_xPos,...
                               numCircles);
cirCent_yPos        = aCoeff*cirCent_xPos+bCoeff;
temp_cirCenter      = [cirCent_xPos',cirCent_yPos'];
Arr_posCirCent{countTraceNodes} = temp_cirCenter;
Arr_xCirCent{countTraceNodes} = cirCent_xPos;
Arr_yCircCent{countTraceNodes} = cirCent_yPos;
% Define Variables for sub for loop
arr_combomask       = {0};

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binary_indyCirImages      = {0};
mean_maskPixInten        = (0);
%-Step D4-D6: Sub for loop defining finite circles comprising ROI
for countCirc            = 1:numCircles
%-Step D4: Create circle boundaries at center position
    indy_xCirCent          = cirCent_xPos(countCirc);
    indy_yCirCent          = cirCent_yPos(countCirc);
    THETA                  = linspace(0, 2 * pi, 1000);
    RHO                    = ones(1, 1000) * roi_rad_dist;
    [xBounds,yBounds]     = pol2cart(THETA, RHO);
    pos_xBounds            = xBounds + indy_xCirCent;
    pos_yBounds            = yBounds + indy_yCirCent;
    plot(pos_xBounds, pos_yBounds, '-',...
        'linewidth',2,'color','g');
%-Step D5: Create binary mask of circle ROI in fish tissue
    temp_xPos              = indy_xCirCent ;
    temp_yPos              = indy_yCirCent;
    [xMesh,yMesh]         = meshgrid(-(temp_xPos-1):(width_x-temp_xPos),...
        -(temp_yPos-1):(height_y-temp_yPos));
    binary_circMask        = ((xMesh.^2+yMesh.^2)<=roi_rad_dist^2);
    % Corrected circle mask to be inside fish tissue
    binary_corrMask        = binary_circMask & binaryFishImg_Final;
%-Step D6: Calculate mean mask pixel intensity of combined circle masks
    maskPixNum             = sum(sum(binary_corrMask));
    maskPixInten           =
sum(sum(uint16(binary_corrMask).*fluorFishImg))/maskPixNum;
    mean_maskPixInten(countCirc) = maskPixInten;
    binary_indyCirImages{countCirc} = binary_corrMask;
    % Combine Individual Circle Masks in fish issue to complete ROI
    if countCirc==1
        binary_circComb    = binary_circMask;
        binary_corrCombo   = binary_corrMask;
    else
        binary_circComb    = binary_circComb + binary_circMask;
        binary_circComb    = im2bw(binary_circComb);
        binary_corrCombo   = binary_corrCombo + binary_corrMask;
        binary_corrCombo   = im2bw(binary_corrCombo);
    end;
    arr_combomask{countCirc}= binary_corrCombo;
    hold on
end;
Binary_circMASK{countTraceNodes} = binary_corrCombo;
Binary_perimROI{countTraceNodes} = binary_circComb;

end;

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%% Section E: Display and Check Final wound perimeter Image Segmentation
clc; close all;
%-Step E1: Combine ROI masks
dispImg          = fluorFishImg;
blankImg         = binaryFishImg_Final;
for countROIs   = 1:countTraceNodes
    if countROIs == 1
        woundPerimMask = Binary_circMASK{countROIs};
        circRawMask    = Binary_perimROI{countROIs};
    else
        woundPerimMask = woundPerimMask + Binary_circMASK{countROIs};
        woundPerimMask = im2bw(woundPerimMask);
        circRawMask    = circRawMask + Binary_perimROI{countROIs};
        circRawMask    = im2bw(circRawMask);
    end;
    blankImg          = imoverlay(blankImg,...
        bwperim(Binary_circMASK{countROIs}),...
        0.3.*rand(1,3));
    dispImg           = imoverlay(dispImg,...
        bwperim(Binary_perimROI{countROIs}),...
        0.6.*rand(1,3));
end;
%-Step E2: Display ROI masks
circImgPerim     = imoverlay(fluorFishImg,bwperim(circRawMask),[1 1 1]);
finalImgPerim    = imoverlay(fluorFishImg,bwperim(woundPerimMask),[1 1 0]);
figure();
imshow(circImgPerim);
title('Complete Circles Final Image');
hold on
plot(nodes_xPos,nodes_yPos,'LineWidth',2,'Color','r')
hold off
figure(); imshow(finalImgPerim); title('Wound Region Final Image'); hold on
plot(nodes_xPos,nodes_yPos,'LineWidth',2,'Color','r')
hold off
%% Section F: Display and Check Final wound ROI Image Segmentation
%-Step F1: Remove Confounding fluorescent debris between wound gap
if exist_woundgap >0
    exist_woundgap = 1;
    binaryFinal    = ~woundPerimMask | binary_woundgap_seg;
    binaryFinal    = ~binaryFinal;
else
end;
%-Step F2: Display final ROI Image Segmentation
FinalSegout      = imoverlay(binaryFishImg_Final,...
    bwperim(binaryFinal),[1 0 1]);
figure ();

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imshow (FinalSegout);
title ('Fish Mask');
hold on
plot (nodes_xPos,nodes_yPos,'LineWidth',2,'Color','r')
hold off
figure();
imshow (binaryFinal);
title ('only regions of interest');
hold on
%% Section G: Compute Fluorescent Intensity in ROI
areaROI = sum(sum(binaryFinal));
meanPixelIntensity = sum(sum(uint16(binaryFinal).*fluorFishImg))/areaROI;
```

Script S2 Description: Demonstrates the V-shaped image segmentation functionality within *Zirmi* as a reproducible means to acquire raw pixel intensity values and eliminate confounding fluorescence automatically within the wound gap. This is difficult and time consuming to perform manually.

Script S3

```
%% Supplementary_ScriptS3
% Zirmi Source Information can be found at:
% <https://github.com/ADParedes/Zirmi>
% Written By: Andre Daniel Paredes | email: andre.paredes@gmail.com
% Matlab Source Information can be found at:
% <https://www.mathworks.com/help/images/image-analysis.html>
% Description: Manual tracing technique to image segment wound region and acquire
% raw pixel intensity
%% Define the following Directories appropriately
cd      (dirScript_Z_Supplementary)
addpath (dirScript_E_Functions)
%% Section A: Read Image Data and Preprocess
%-Step A1: Read Image data into workspace from preselected directory
fluorFish      = imread('fluorescent_fish.tif');
%-Step A2: Format fluorescen_fish image to a standardized bit format to streamline processing
bytes          = 2^16-1;
fluorFishImg   = im2uint16(fluorFish);
%% Section B: Manually Image Segment Wound Region and Display
disp      ('Outline the Wound Region')
close all;
imagesc   (fluorFishImg);
colormap ('gray');
movegui  ('northeast');
title    ('ROS REGION');
RosRegion      = roipoly();
imshow      (RosRegion)
%% Section C: Compute Fluorescent Intensity in ROI
areaROI      = sum(sum(RosRegion));
meanPixelIntensity      = sum(sum(uint16(RosRegion).*fluorFishImg))/areaROI;
display(strcat('Raw Pixel Intensity (abu):',num2str(meanPixelIntensity)))
display(strcat('Region area (pixel^2):',num2str(areaROI)));
```

Script S3 Description: Manual tracing technique to image segment wound region and acquire raw pixel intensity