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CT Perfusion 4D-Brain Stroke

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CT Perfusion 4D will aid in the assessment of the extent and type of perfusion, blood volume and capillary permeability changes, which may be related to stroke or tumor angiogenesis and the treatment thereof.

• Load perfusion series in Volume Viewer OR CT Perfusion 4D, and select **CT Brain Stroke**.

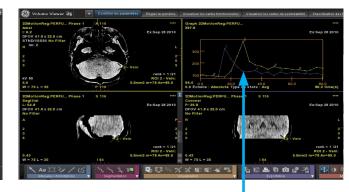




• The software will remove bone, register all phases and preselect arterial and venous inputs.

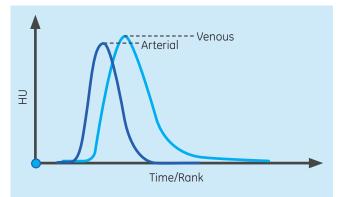
Arterial and Venous ROIs -

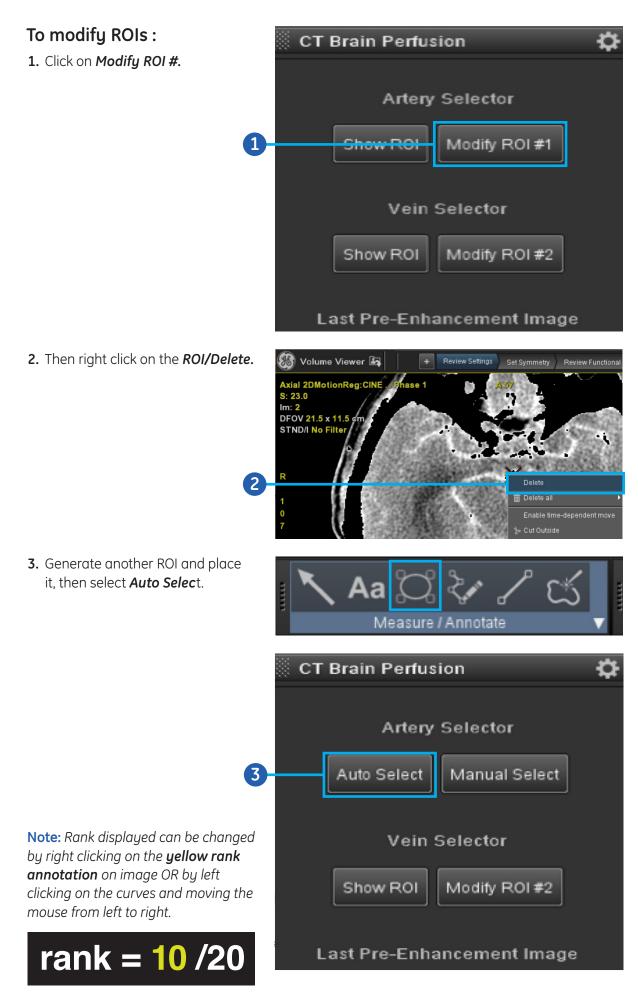
To visualize ROIs on the image, click on Show ROI.



Arterial and Venous curves

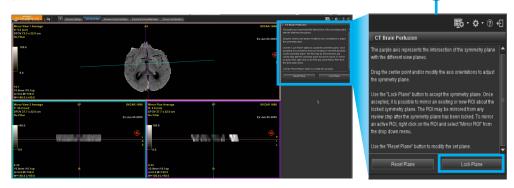
- Both arterial and venous curves should appear as smooth as possible. The arterial peak should be reached before the venous peak.
- Both inputs ROIs should only include blood/contrast signal, no artifacts nor partial volume, which might tamper with the curves and therefore, with the maps.
- Do not hesitate to check and edit ROIs, if necessary.





Follow review steps :

1. Set Symmetry and lock plane (ONLY on axial view).

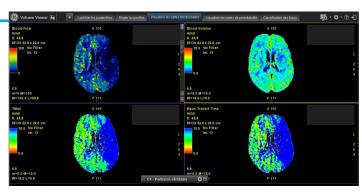


2. Review Functional Maps.

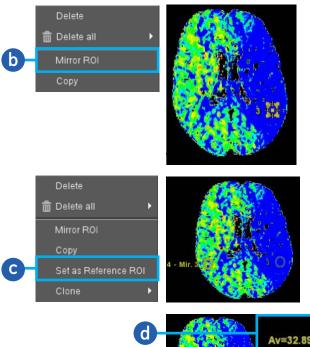
Default display allows to simultaneously display Blood Flow (BF), Blood Volume (BV), TMax, and MTT maps, which are computed by deconvolution using Johnson-Wilson model, just like *IRF T0*, and *PS*.

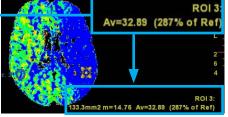
To obtain a ratio between two areas of interest:

- **a.** Create an ROI.
- **b.** Right click on it and *Mirror ROI.*
- **c.** On this new ROI, right click and **Set as Reference ROI**.
- **d.** Go back to the initial ROI to get the ratio.



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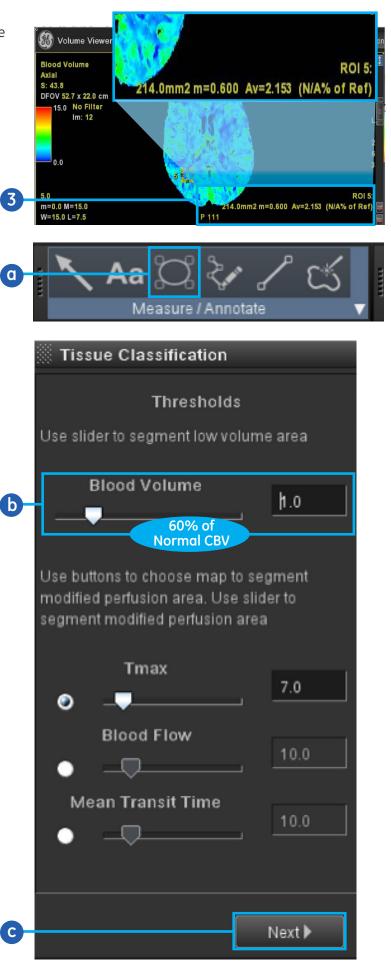


3. Tissue Classification.

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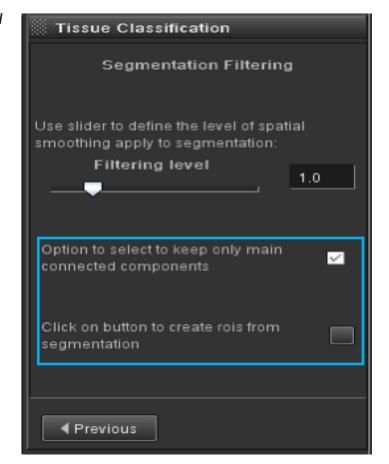
To obtain core and penumbra segmentation:

- **a.** Create an ROI on CBV map in normal area.
- **b.** Report 60% of normal BV value in *Blood Volume* field.
- c. Select Next.



To filter the core and penumbra segmentation:

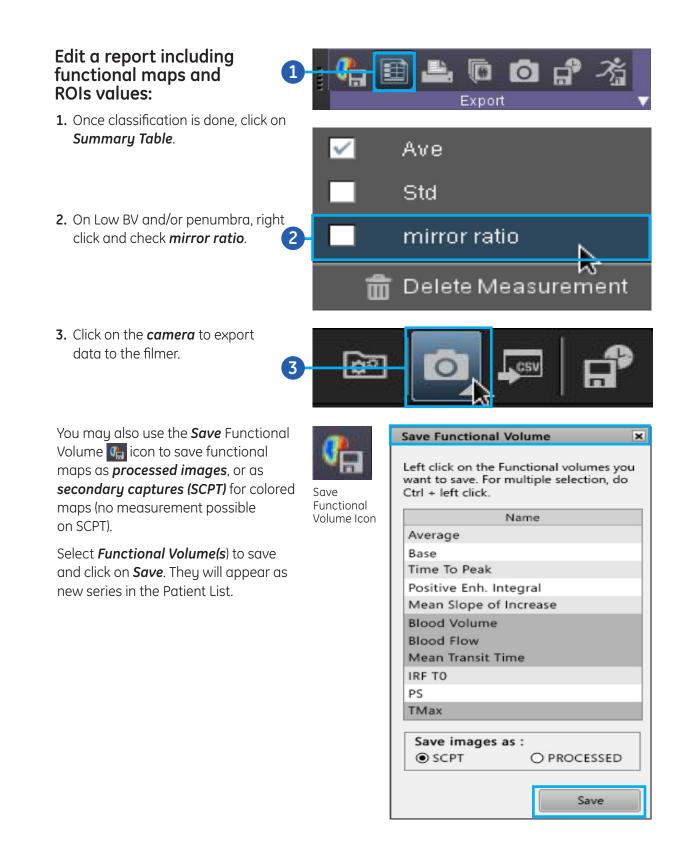
- 1. Check *keep only main connected components* and *create ROIs from segmentation*.
- 2. Right click on new ROI and *Mirror ROI*.



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	MT	CBF	CBV
Healthy Parenchyma	=	=	=
Penumbra			or =
Core		••	

1 Wintermark, M., et.al (2006) Perfusion-CT Assessment of Infarct Core and Penumbra. Stroke, 37, 979-985.



WARNING! To assure an efficient and safe use of Volume Viewer Apps, it is essential for you to read the User Guides and the Customer Release Notes before attempting to start. The entire documentation is available on your system. Make certain that your documentation is readily available at all times. You shall under no circumstances use Volume Viewer Apps if the documentation is not available. If you need help, please contact the Online Center.

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