

Histopathological Image Classification Problems

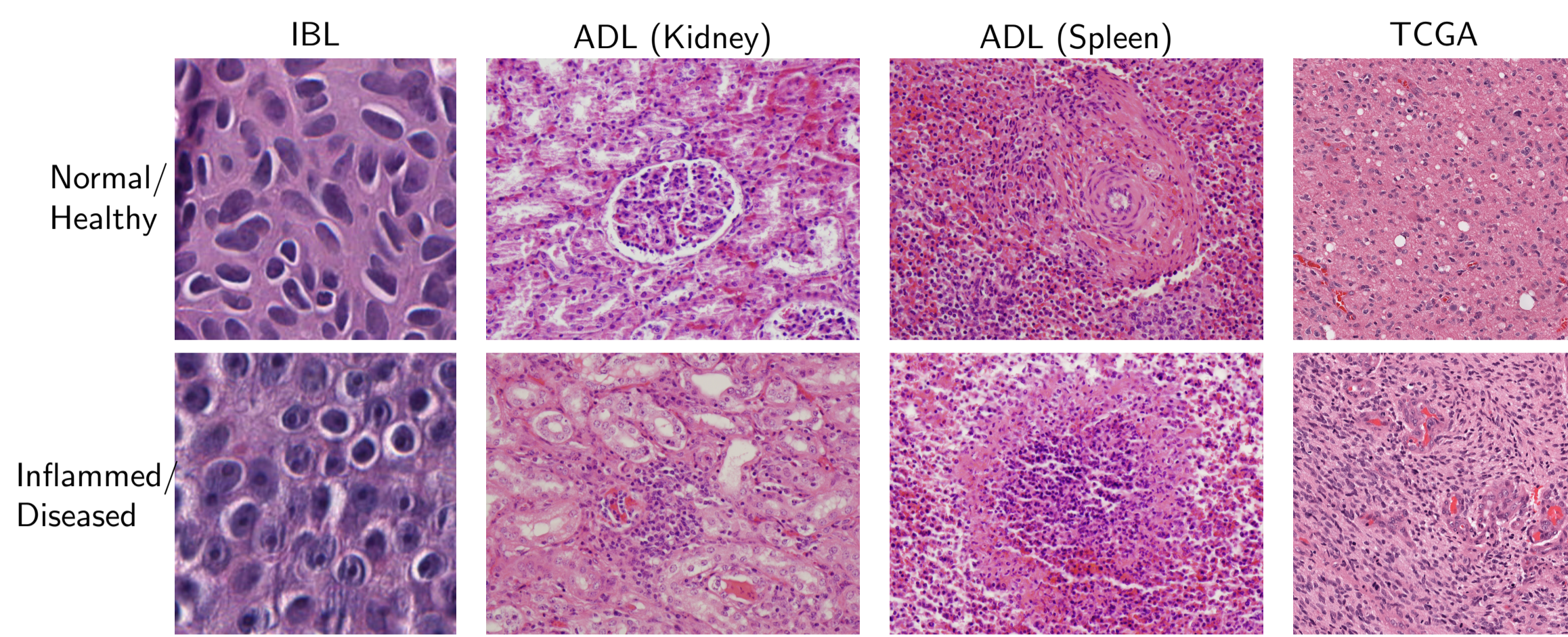


Figure: Samples from three datasets

- Difficulties:
 - Diversity of histology features suitable for each problem
 - Presence of rich geometrical structures
- Challenging question: **How to (automatically) extract features?**
- Pathologists' approaches:
 - Look for problem-specific visual cues:
 - Shape, color, size of cells.
 - Distribution of cells.
 - The presence of a specific set of cells.

Our main contributions

- A **discriminative** dictionary learning method for **automatic feature discovery**.
- Two **low-complexity** procedures for classification and detection problems.
- Extensive experimental results on **three different datasets**:
 - IBL** - Intraductal Breast Lesions.
 - ADL** - Animal Diagnostic Laboratory: Kidney, Lung and Spleen.
 - TCGA** - The Cancer Genome Atlas: Glioblastoma Multiforme.

Motivation and Problem Formulation

1. Motivation

- A dictionary **D** **sparsely represents** in-class samples (**Y**): $\min_{\|\mathbf{s}\|_0 \leq L} \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{s}\|_F^2$ small.
- But it is incapable of expressing complementary samples (**Ỹ**) with small number of bases:

$$\min_{\|\mathbf{s}\|_0 \leq L} \|\tilde{\mathbf{Y}} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{s}\|_F^2 \text{ large}$$

$$V_{L,\epsilon}(\mathbf{D}) = \{y : \min_{\|\mathbf{s}\|_0 \leq L} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{s}\|_2^2 \leq \epsilon\}$$

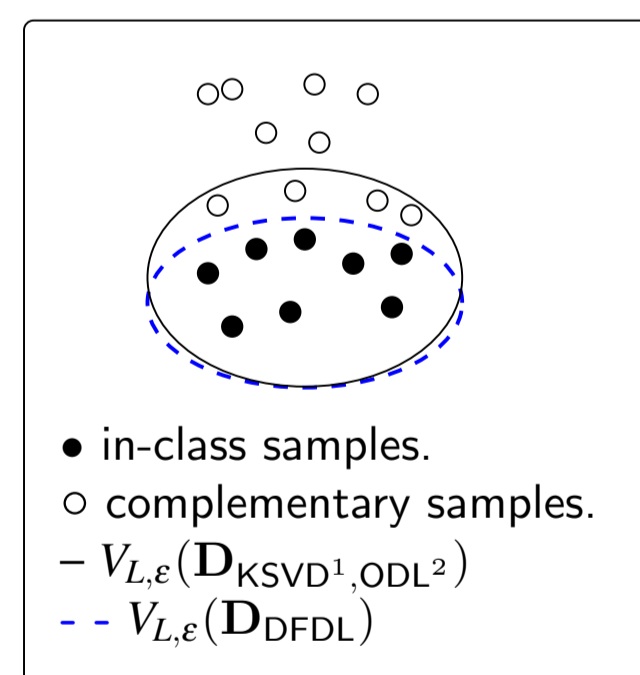


Figure: Main idea

2. Problem Formulation

Optimization problem

$$\mathbf{D}^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{D}} \left(\frac{1}{N} \min_{\|\mathbf{s}_i\|_0 \leq L} \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{S}\|_F^2 - \frac{\rho}{N} \min_{\|\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_i\|_0 \leq L} \|\tilde{\mathbf{Y}} - \mathbf{D}\tilde{\mathbf{S}}\|_F^2 \right)$$

subject to: $\|\mathbf{d}_j\|_2^2 = 1$

ρ is a regularization parameter.

- Initial **D** could be obtained from:

$$(\mathbf{D}^*, \mathbf{S}^*) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{D}, \mathbf{S}} \{ \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{S}\|_F^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{S}\|_1 \}$$
 then choose $L \approx \frac{1}{N} \|\mathbf{S}^*\|_0$

- D*** can be found by alternately solving two problems:
 - fix **D**, find **S, S̃**
 - fix **S, S̃**, find **D**

Discriminative Feature-oriented Dictionary Learning (DFDL) Algorithm

Algorithm 1 Learning DFDL Dictionary for each class

INPUT: $\mathbf{Y}, \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}, k, \rho$.

- Choose L and initial **D** by ODL on **Y**
- while** not converged **do**
- Fix **D** and update **S, S̃** by solving an OMP problem;
- Fix **S, S̃**, calculate: $\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{N} \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{S}^T - \frac{\rho}{N} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}\tilde{\mathbf{S}}^T$; $\mathbf{F} = \frac{1}{N} \mathbf{S}\mathbf{S}^T - \frac{\rho}{N} \tilde{\mathbf{S}}\tilde{\mathbf{S}}^T$.
- Update **D** from: $\mathbf{D}^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{D}} \{ -2\text{trace}(\mathbf{E}\mathbf{D}^T) + \text{trace}(\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{F} - \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{F}))\mathbf{D}^T) \}$

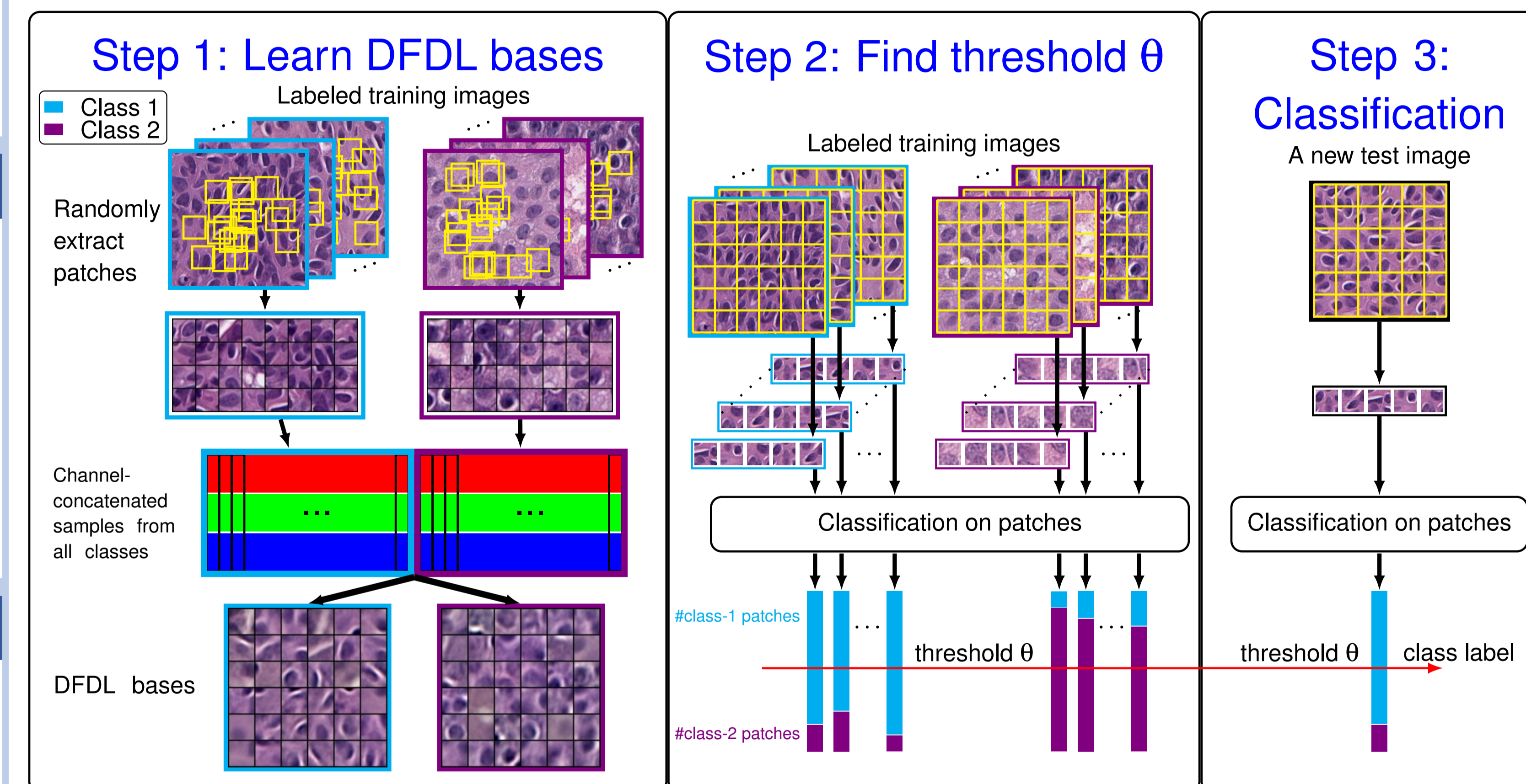
end while

RETURN: **D**

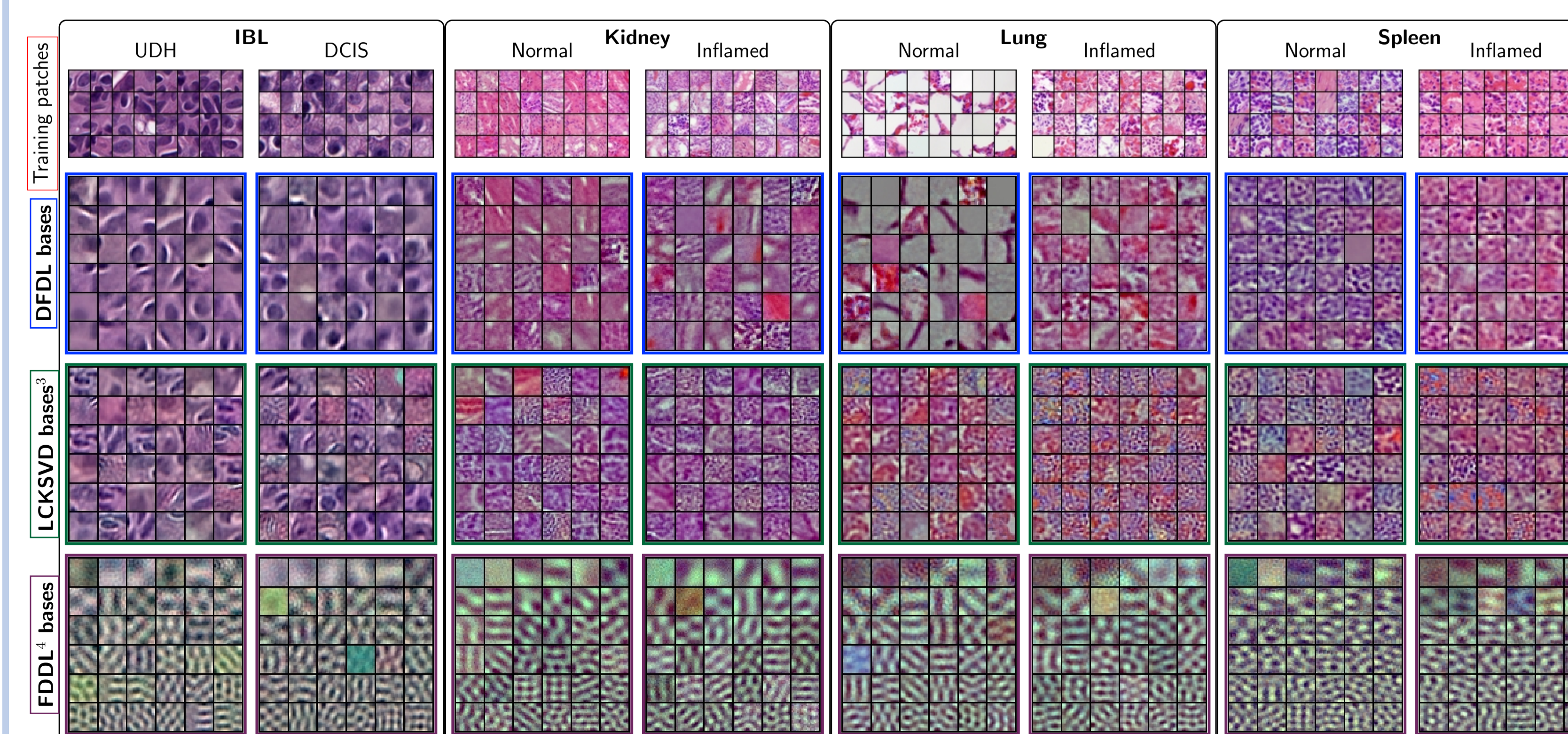
Classification step: 1. Find sparse code: $\hat{\mathbf{s}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{s}} \{ \|\mathbf{y} - [\mathbf{D}_1, \dots, \mathbf{D}_c]\mathbf{s}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{s}\|_1 \}$

2. $\text{identity}(\mathbf{y}) = \arg \min_i \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{D}_i \delta_i(\hat{\mathbf{s}})\|_2$ where $\delta_i(\hat{\mathbf{s}})$ is the part of $\hat{\mathbf{s}}$ associated with class i .

IBL/ADL classification procedure (proposed for RGB images)



Example bases learned from different Dictionary Learning methods



IBL and ADL: Overall accuracies and ROC curves

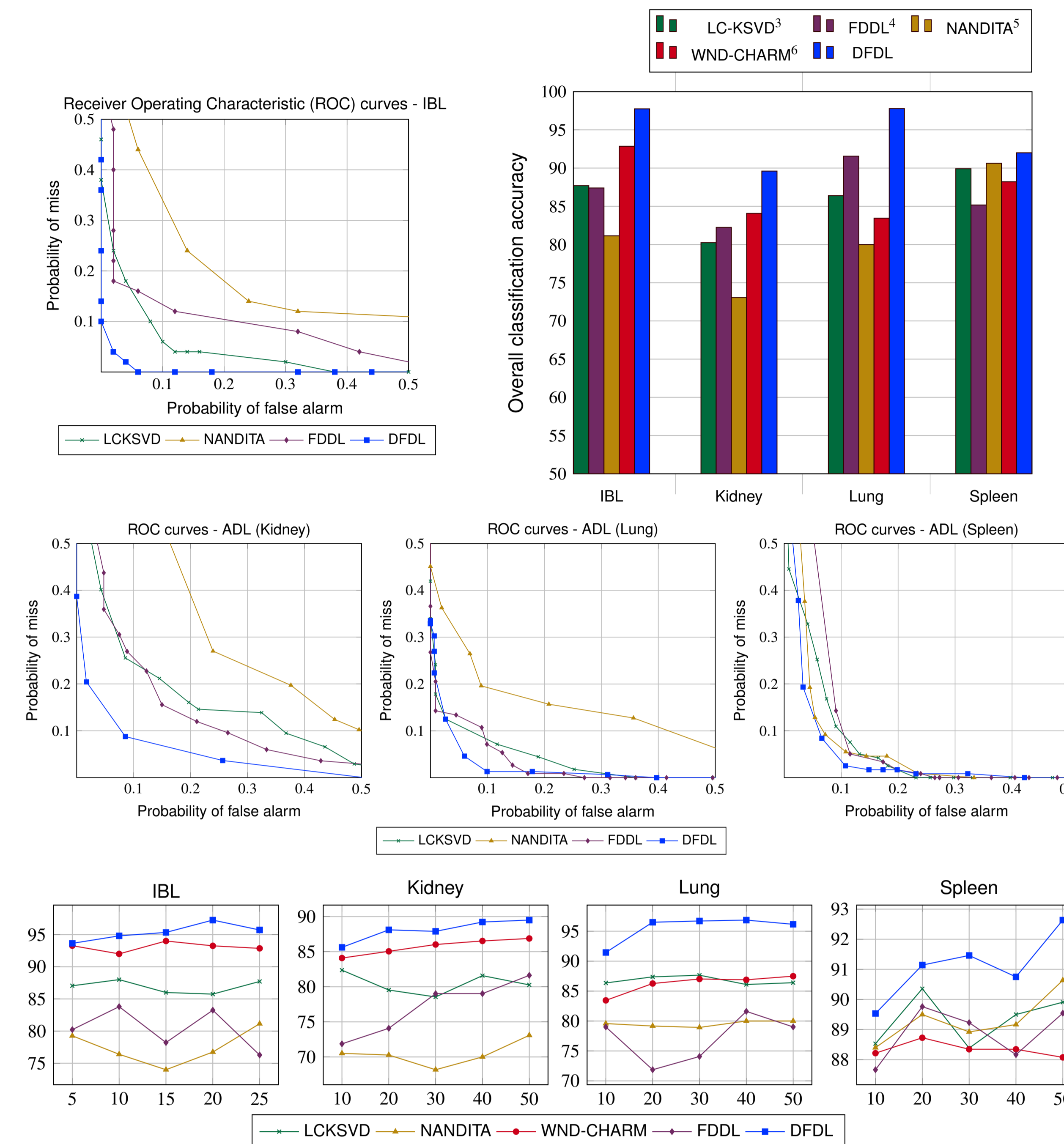


Figure: Overall accuracies over number of training images

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TCGA classification procedure/results

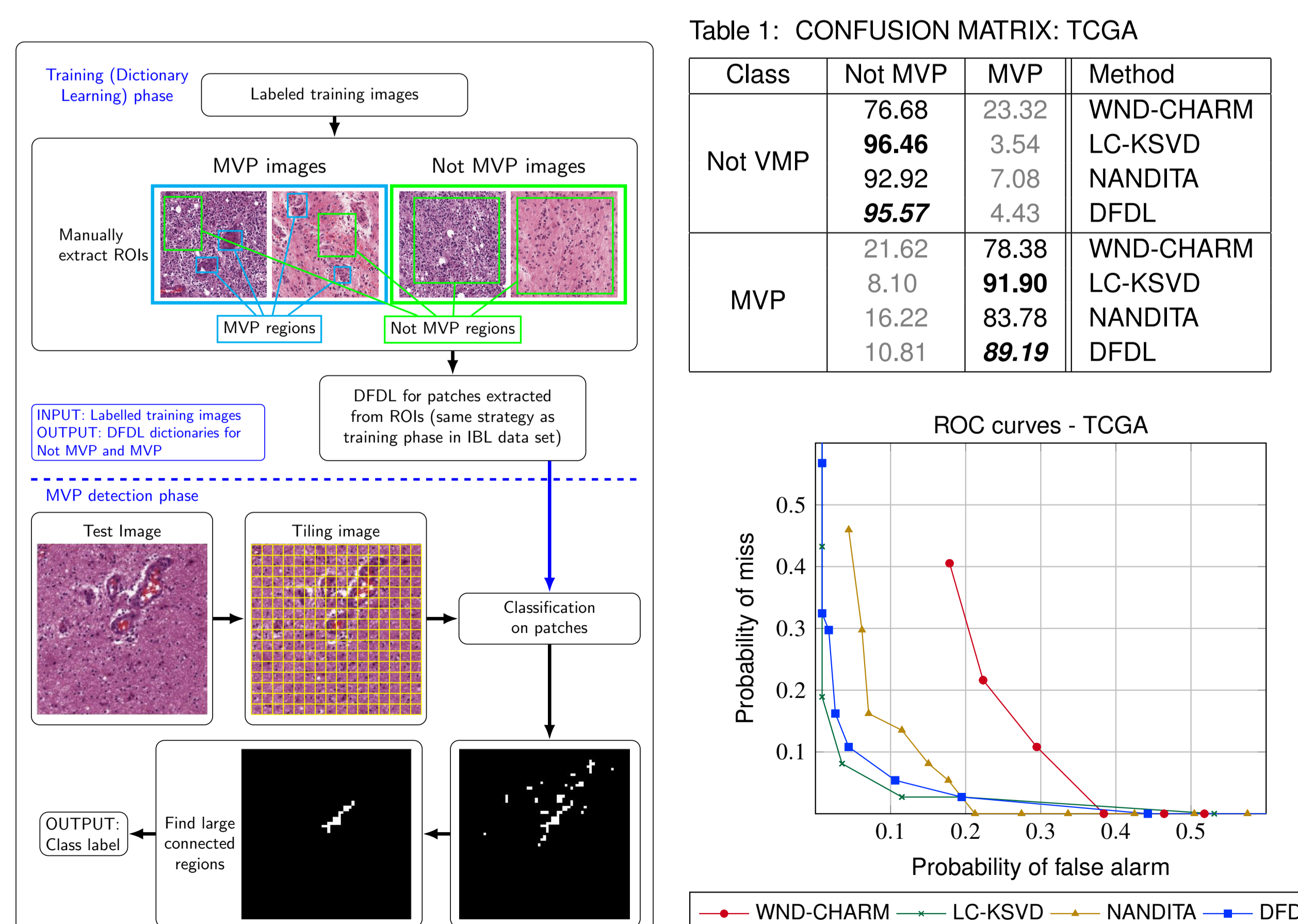


Figure: Microvascular proliferation (MVP) detection procedure and results

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