

A Brief Introduction

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The IMAGIC guiALIGN program

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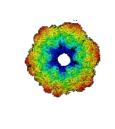
The **guiALIGN** aligns images (NOT 3D volumes) to single or a stack if references (multi-reference alignment). If wanted, the references can be selected from a stack of images or can be created from a 3D volume .

This is a brief hands-on on how to use IMAGIC GUI oriented programs and how to work with **guiALIGN**:

CONTENT:

IMAGIC GUI programs
 guiALIGN
 How to use IMAGIC GUI programs
 How to Import images to IMAGIC
 How to prepare the images (filter, masks...)
 How get the references
 How to multi—reference align the images
 How to send us feedback





IMAGIC

GUI Programs



IMAGIC guiALIGN - Hands-On

Workflow

The idea of **guiALIGN** is to guide you through a typical camera/detector correction measurement or camera .

The workflow consists of several pages. Each page will perform a specific image processing step.

If the calculations are finished the results are shown and you can press the "Next" button to continue with the next page.



Of course, there is also a "Back" button. But be careful: when leaving a page the results shown on the page may get lost and when coming back you might have to do the calculations once more to get the results printed. The output files do not get lost, of course.





The Working Directory

If **guiALIGN** is called from the programs list, by using an icon or in a command line the working directory will be your default system directory.

If **guilALIGN** is called by an IMAGIC command in a terminal / command window

IMAGIC-COMMAND : gui-align-images

the working directory will be the directory used in this window.

If you want to change this directory use the "Back" button(s)

Eack

or the "Open Menu" button

Open Menu

to navigate to the "Start" page where you can specify the working directory of **guilALIGN**.

All output files will be stored in the working directory which you have specified on the start page.

Input files can be chosen from other directories.



Help

Move the cursor on (nearly) any item (questions, radio buttons, display windows...) shown on the pages and you will get context sensitive help.

Output file:	
whgb_microgra	aph
	Name of the output IMAGIC file containing the imported micrographs.
	Note that the name of this output file will be created automatically.

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	Select th	e input file format.
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	This has	gged Image Format): become one of the standard formats in desk-top g oriented image processing.



Input Files

Usually the input files on each page are output file(s) from the previous page(s) and are suggested automatically.

You can, of course, always use other input files names and even use other input directories.

Input file

my_images

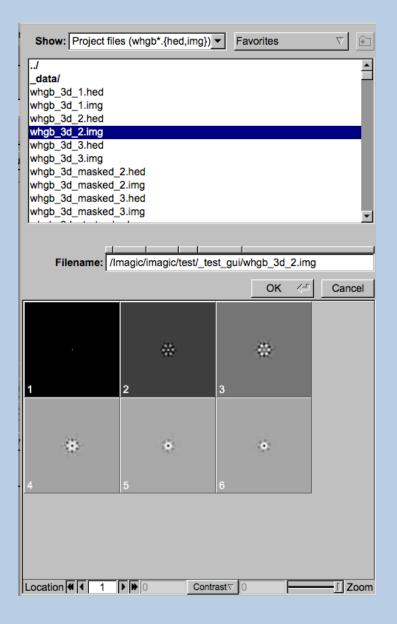


Input File Chooser

In most of the pages you are asked for input file(s) and you will find a "Browse file" button:

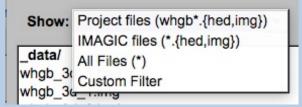
Browse file

Pressing this button will open the IMAGIC file chooser:



Choose the wanted file by clicking its name

You can use a pre-selection of the files shown:



If the images are in IMAGIC format you can get a pre-view of the images.



Note that you can store your directory in "Favorites".



Output Files

Usually the names of the output files are suggested but it is your choice, of course. On each page you can specify these output file names on the left hand side.

Output file	
my_images	



Import Buttons

You do not want to use the "Import page" you can use the "Import" button to import the input images/3D volumes from any 3DEM format. The "Import" button which is located above the text field specifying the name of the related file.

Import

An additional "IMAGIC EM2EM" page will open. Specify all parameters needed and click the "Run command" button to import the images / 3D volumes:

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Click the "Close window" button to exit this additional window:

Close window

Refer to the **guiEM2EM** manual to get further help.



Export Buttons

You can export output images/3D volumes to any 3DEM format. Click the "Export" button which is located above the text field specifying the name of the related file.



An additional "IMAGIC EM2EM" page will open. Specify all parameters needed and click the "Run command" button to export the images / 3D volumes:

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Click the "Close window" button to exit this additional window:

Close window

Refer to the **guiEM2EM** manual to get further help.



A Typical Page

A typical IMAGIC GUI program page has three columns.

The left part contains the file information and a kind of terminal window showing the print-out of the currently running IMAGIC program(s). In additional tabs you can find the control windows to adjust the displays on the left hand side.

The middle part usually contains parameters to be specified and a single or a number of "Run" buttons to start the calculation(s).

The right part displays input and output images. Sometimes it can also contain additional follow-up calculations and the related "Run" buttons.

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Camera Correction			
Input file with (raw) micrographs Try_micrographs Try_micrographs Size = 4096x4098, Images = 70 Input camera statistics average file Try_micrographs_cnorm_average Size = 4096x4096, Images = 1 Input camera statistics sigma file Try_micrographs_cnorm_sigma Size = 4096x4096, Images = 1 Output file with camera corrected micrographs Export file Try_micrographs_cnorm Output good camera corrected micrographs Export file Try_micrographs_cnorm Try_micrographs_cnorm Try_micrographs_cnorm Size = 4096x4096, Images = 1 Size = 4096x4096, Images =	Camera Normalisation O Measure Correct O Measure and Correct Correct	Input Micrographs Corrected Micrographs Average Sg	me
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A Typical Page - MPI Parallel

If calculations can run in parallel mode the left part of a typical **IMAGIC GUI program** page also shows the buttons to specify the related parameters.

Run in parallel mode	Specify path and name of MSA scratch file
Yes O No	O Yes No
Number of nodes: 3	MSA scratch file:



A Typical Page - Program Parameters

O Normalise amplitude spectr	a (NAS)
Pretreat images	
Band-pass Filter	
LF cut	.100
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Normalisation	
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Run for all particles	
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O Total sum O Mass ce	nter
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O Run for all particles	
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Run All	(L

Mode of preparation

Pretreat images

In the middle part of a typical **IMAGIC GUI program** page you will find the program parameters to be used.

Radio Buttons are showing options. One option only has to be used.

Self rotate	O Self
O Total sum	O Mass center

Click buttons are showing options which you can use or not.

Band-pass Filter

In text fields you can type in the wanted value. If the needed value is a number you can also move the cursor into this field, press the mouse key and keep it pressed and move the cursor to change the value.



There are also boxes where you can use up and down arrows to change the value.





A Typical Page - Automatic / Default

Resize/Coarsen microg	raphs
Summing parameter	2
Create patches	
Size of patches	4096
Prepare micrograph	
Low freq. cut	0.0200
Remaining low frequence	су О
High freq. cut	0.9000
Remove outlier pixels	;
Outlier is 4.50 sigma	a off the mean value
Invert densities	
Resize/Coarsen prepare	ed micrographs
Summing parameter	2
Automatic	Default
Run	با ج

In the middle part of a typical **IMAGIC GUI program** page you will also find "Automatic" and "Default buttons.

Pressing the "Automatic" button will fill in the values suggested by IMAGIC.

Automatic

Pressing the "Default" button will fill in the values which you have used during the last "Run".

Default

The values shown when entering a page are the default values (your last values given) if they are available. Else the automatic values are shown.



A Typical Page - Run buttons

Create prepared amplitud	e images
Filter micrographs	
Low freq. cut	0.2000
Remaining low frequency	0
High freq. cut	0.9900
Filter amplitude images	
Low freq. cut	0.0200
Remaining low frequency	0.0200
High freq. cut	0.5000
Coarsen filtered amplitud	e images
Yes O No	
Summing parameter	2
Automatic Default	Run
MSA options ☐ MSA eigenfilter amplitude ☑ MSA classify amplitudes MSA	es 0.35
Inner radius of ring mask	0.99
Outer radius of ring mask Number of eigenimages	10
Number of iterations	50
Classification	
Use how many eigenimage	s 5 🚔
Number of classes	25
Automatic Default	Run
	Classify only
Run all	4

To run the calculations press the "Run" button.



On a number of pages the calculations can be split. In this case you will find more than one single "Run" button.

Not running everything at once can be helpful when testing parameters.

May be a certain "Run" button is not yet activated because it needs the results of calculations not yet done.

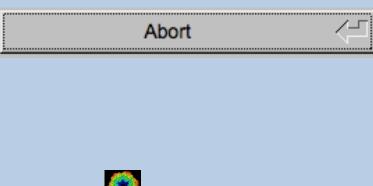
Pressing the "Run All" button starts all calculations currently activated on the page.

Run All

Run

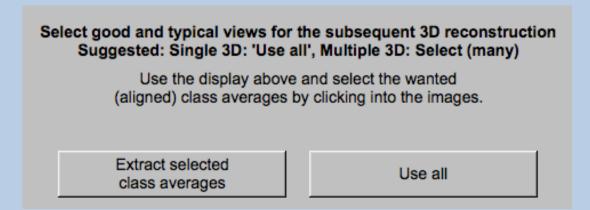
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You can abort a running program by pressing the "Abort" button.



A Typical Page - Additional Tasks

The main calculations on the page are done using the middle part of an typical **IMAGIC GUI program** page. But on a number of pages some additional calculations have to be done. Please follow the instructions given.



Note that the new output images are usually shown in a new display tab.



A Typical Page - "Terminal Window"

All print-out of an IMAGIC program started within the current **IMAGIC GUI program** page is shown in a kind of terminal window on the left hand side.

Most of the programs will end with a "How to continue" giving some hints on how to check the results and on how to continue.

You can use the "Save" button to store the print-out in a text file.

With the "Zoom" button you can open a separate larger window showing the print-out.

Note that the "Save" and "Zoom" buttons are only visible when the cursor is moved into the terminal window.

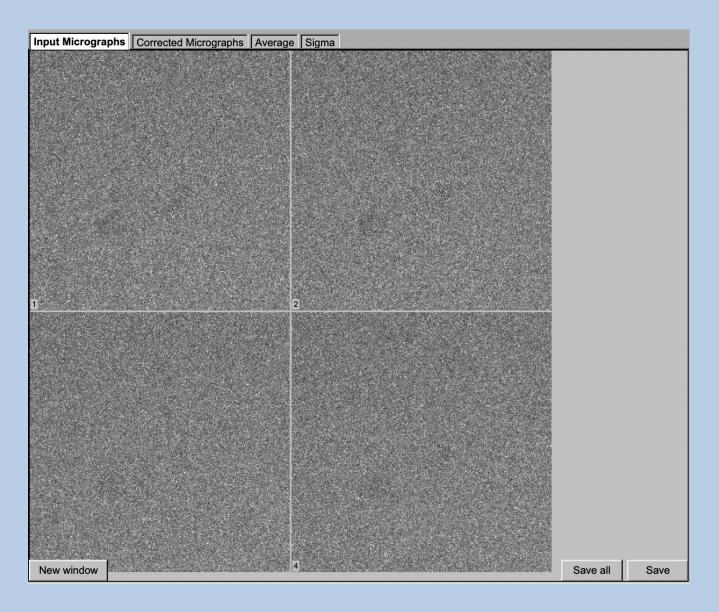
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99% done
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IP; CUT_IMAGE/APERIODIC; HEADERS/ACTIVE; EXCOPY/SELECT/CCC/SET_INACTIVE; EXCOPY/S
LECT/SIGMA/SET INACTIVE;INC2DMENU/PREPARE/BP LOW=0.1 TRANS=0.0 HIGH=0.8;
The results have been stored in the following files:
 File with prepared images: whgb prep
How to continue
 Compare the input (first display) and the prepared images
  (last display).

    If not satisfied, change the filter parameters and re-run the

  calculations.
- If the prepared images are okay press the NEXT button to continue.
Zoom
                                                                            Save
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A Typical Page - Display



In the right part of a typical **IMAGIC GUI program** page you will find displayed images - usually the input and the output images.

You can press the tabs to toggle between the various displays.

Double click into the wanted images or use the "New Window" button to get an enlarged display window. Use "Save" to store the display (JPG).

To adjust the display settings use the related display control tab on the left hand side of the page. Refer to **guiDISPLAY**.



A Typical Page - "Display Control" Tabs

The visualisation settings of the images shown on the right-hand side of each **IMAGIC GUI program** page can be adjusted in its own related "Display control" tab on the bottom left part of each page. Also refer to **guiDISPLAY**.

Grey value scaling:	Adjust the	contrast
	Min/Max:	Scale the grey-values to minimum/maximum
	Interactive	: Set the limits by giving numbers
	Sigma:	Use an amount of sigma to set the limits
Contrast	How to cal	culate the grey value scaling
	Local:	Calculated in each image separately
	Global:	Calculated using all image densities
		(as displayed in the histogram)
	Gallery:	Calculated in the currently displayed images
Inverse contrast:	Use one of	the radio buttons
Zoom	Enlarge the	e displayed images
Gallery	On	Display the images in a gallery
		(may be you need another zoom to see
		more than one image)
	Off	Show only one image
Image Locations.	Use the slid	der or the arrows to select image locations

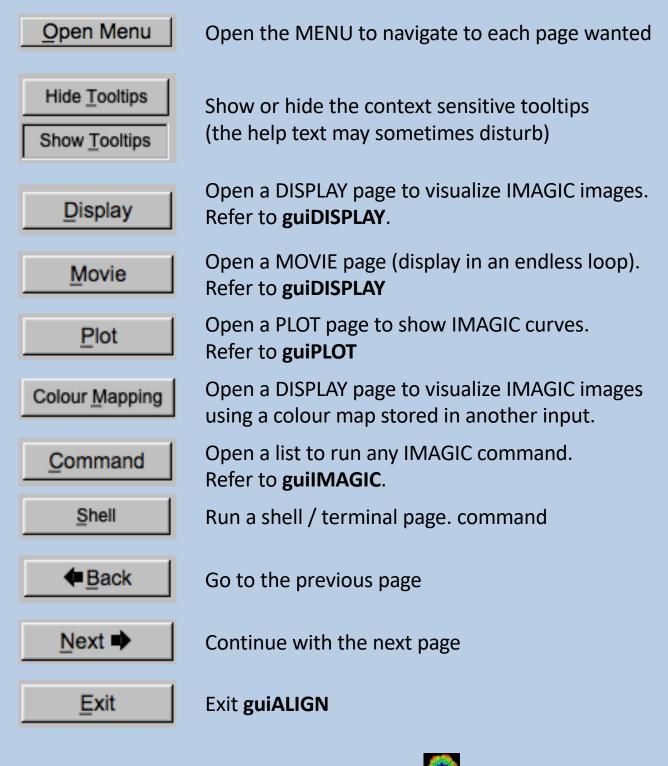
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A Typical Page - The Toolbar

There is a toolbar at the bottom of each **guiALIGN** page.

The toolbar buttons:







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The guiALIGN Menu

IMAGIC menu

Start

Input Images

Prepare Images

Multi-Reference Alignment

Close menu

PAGES:

StartPage to adjust guiALIGN program parametersImport Images...Import or specify the input.Prepare Images...Pre-treatment: Mask, filter, normalise
variance, resize, summing ...Multi-Reference
AlignmentMulti-reference alignment of images.
If wanted references can be selected from a
stack of images or from (a) 3D volume(s).



The "Start" Page

This page is not part of the **guiALIGN** workflow and can only be reached using the "Back" or the "Open Menu" button(s).

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/Users/michael/workspace2/_brazil_so	chool/			
Browse d	irectory			
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Click to close the pro-	gram settings n	nenu		
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F	gram settings n			
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On this page you can set some program parameters:

- a) the working directory
- b) the size of the **guiALIGN** program windows and/or text (a re-start is needed)
- c) the type of file browser



Start Working

guiALIGN starts with the "Import" page.

The workflow using the "Next" button will guide you through all **guiALIGN** pages.

Use the "Back", "Next" or "Open Menu" buttons to skip a page or to choose the wanted page.



The "Import" Page

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O On Off				

DESCRIPTION:

Convert import image files using any 3D-EM format (or TIFF) into a single (stacked) IMAGIC image file.

The page can be skipped if your input images are already stored in IMAGIC format.

Also refer to program guilMPORT.



IMPORT:

Specify the file format in which your input images/3D volumes/spectra are stored. Click the "Select format" button

Select format	∇
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and choose one of the formats in the listing.

Now you can specify the input files or a "File of filenames" text file (containing the names of the wanted input files) with the "Browse" button. Refer to chapter "Input Files" and "Input. File Chooser" for help.

Input Images		
File format	TIFF V	In case of type conflicts © Threshold densities © Change type
Input file(s)	Browse files	O Shift densities O Scale densities
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Output file		
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	Preview Show hidd	en files
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IMAGIC output Display controls		OK <



If wanted you can edit the list of files. But be careful there is no automatic control of file names in this list.

/Users/michael/Workspace/marin_virus1/test/my_image_1.tif /Users/michael/Workspace/marin_virus1/test/my_image_2.tif

Next, you need to specify the name of the output file which is the IMAGIC image file which will contain the imported images/3D volumes/spectra.

Depending on the format of the input you have to specify a number of parameters or options.

Format TIFF, for example:

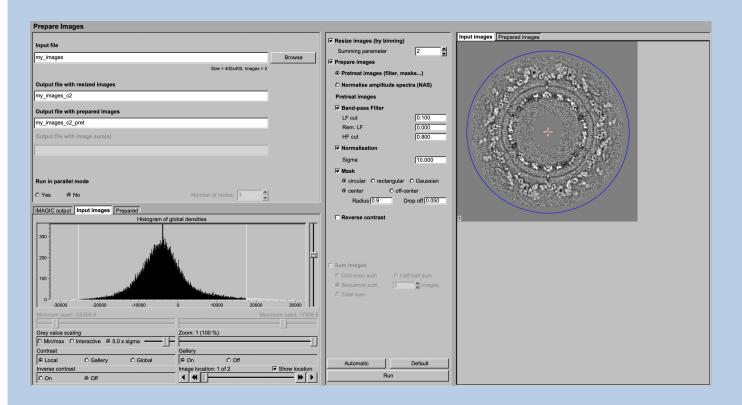


Having specified every information needed click the "Import" button to start the import of the images.

The imported images are shown in the display tab on the right-hand side. See chapters "A Typical Page - Display control tabs".



The "Prepare Images" Page



DESCRIPTION:

It can be helpful to pre-treat the input images by imposing a band-pass filter, normalise the variance, impose a mask and...

NOTE:

Of course, you can skip this page if no such treatment is wanted/needed.



You can resize the images by binning

Resize images (by binning)		
Summing parameter	2	

You can pre-treat the images. Options are

Prepare images	
Pretreat images (filter, mas	sks)
O Normalise amplitude spec	tra (NAS)
Pretreat images	
Band-pass Filter	
LF cut	0.100
Rem. LF	0.000
HF cut	0.800
Normalisation	
Sigma	10.000
Mask	
o circular O rectangular	O Gaussian
center O off-ce	nter
Radius 0.800 Dr	op off 0.050
Reverse contrast	

Options are band-pass filtering

Band-pass Filter	
LF cut	0.100
Rem. LF	0.000
HF cut	0.800



normalise the variance in each image

	Normalisation	
	Sigma	10.000
mp	osing a mask	
	Mask	
	 circular 	O rectangular
	 center 	O off-center
	Radius 0.800	Drop off 0.050

if wanted you can also reverse the contrast.

Reverse contrast

Instead of using these pre-treatment options you can apply a NAS filter which means that the amplitude spectra of the images are normalised:

Prepare images		
O Pretreat images (filter, masks)		
Normalise amplitude spectra (NAS)		
☐ Mask		
	O rectangular	
 center 	O off-center	
Radius 0.800	Drop off 0.050	
Reverse contrast		
NAS Filter		
LF cut	0.050	
Rem. LF	0.200	
HF cut	0.300	

Imposing a mask and reversing the contrast are also options here.





As usual, specify the names of the input and the output files:

Input file		
my_images		Browse
	Size = 400x400, Images = 2	
Output file with resized images		
my_images_c2		
Output file with prepared images		
my_images_c2_pret		

Start the calculations by clicking the "Run" button:

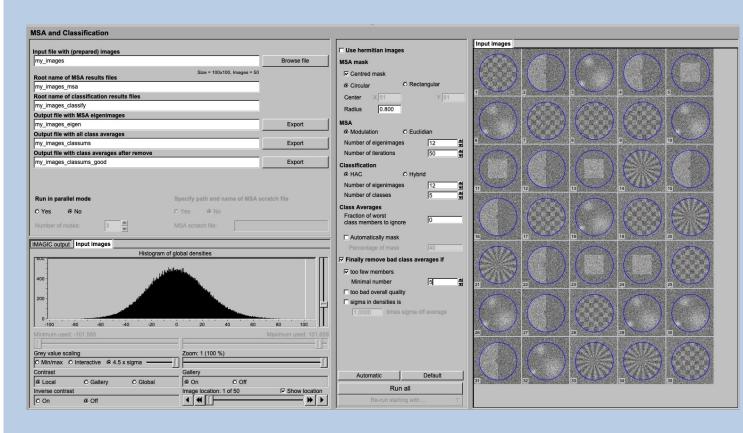


You can also create various image sums which you may need for the subsequent calculations of the global and local information content in your images.

Sum images		
Odd-even sum	O Half-half sum	
O Sequence sum	2 dimages	
O Total sum		
Output file with image sum(s)		
my_images_c2_pret_odd_even_sur	m	



The "Multi-Reference Alignment" Page



DESCRIPTION:

The **guiALIGN** aligns images to a stack of references (multi-reference alignment).

If wanted references can be selected from a stack of images or can be generated as forward projections from (a) 3D volume(s).

FULL IMAGE DATA-SET ANALYSIS:

Refer to the manual: "Analysis of Wormhemoglobin - IMAGIC GISP"



To align the particle images you need references. In principle, there are three options to get these references:

GET REFERENCES FROM A 3D VOLUME:

The first option is to generate the references from a 3D volume which is related to the images to be aligned.

Choice of references			
Get from 3D volume			
O Select from images			
O Get from file			
Input 3D volume file my_3d	Size = 64x64x64, Volumes = 5	Import	Browse
Output file with generated references			
my_3d_ref		Export	

The advantage is that you can get all possible directions (all possible "views") and that the references are perfectly (3-D) aligned to each other. So, when using this option do NOT centre or align these references any more.

As usual, specify the input file containing the 3D volume(s) to be used the generate the references as well as the name of the references output file.

Please also specify the number of references/forward projections wanted and the threshold value to be used for the forward projections. I wanted, you can also generate mirror references.

Number of references	10
Threshold	0.01
Also use mirror views	



There are three ways to calculate the forward projections:

The projection direction to create the references are chosen ad random:

Mode of projection

Random

- O Asymmetric triangle
- O Tomography

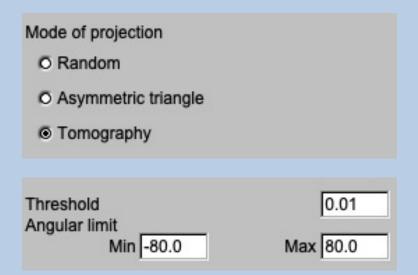
The references can re-present all typical views within the asymmetric triangle)in case the object has a certain 3D point-group symmetry):

Mode of projection

O Random

- Asymmetric triangle
- O Tomography

In certain cases you may want forward projection in an angular range around the equator of the object:



Click the "Generate references" button to generate the references:

Generate references



Check the references in the display tab on the right hand side. If needed, change the parameters and re-generate the references.

If the references are alright click the "Continue with alignment" button

Continue with alignment

and the page will skip to the "Get from file" option to run the alignment.

SELECT REFERENCES FROM A STACK OF IMAGES:

The second option is to select the references from a stack of images (usual "typical" and noise-free images):

	Import	Browse
Size = 100x100, Images = 50		
	Size = 100x100, Images = 50	

As usual, specify the input file containing the 3D volume(s) to be used the generate the references as well as the name of the references output file.

Now check the images in the display tab on the right hand side and select the wanted references (all typical views with good contrast, if possible) by clicking into the image. A second click will de-select it.

Having chosen all wanted images click the "Generate references" button to extract them and generate the references image file:

Generate references



Check the references in the display tab on the right hand side. If needed, select or de-select images and re-generate the references.

If the references are alright click the "Continue with alignment" button and the page will skip to the "Get from file" option.

Continue with alignment

and the page will skip to the "Get from file" option to run the alignment.

NOTE: This option bears the risk of reference bias!

GET REFERENCES FROM FILE:

If your reference images are already stored in an IMAGIC image file use the "Get from file" option to run the the multi-reference alignment

Choice of references

- O Get from 3D volume
- O Select from images
- Get from file

As usual, specify the input file containing the images to be aligned, the "original" images and the references. Also give the name of the output file to contain the aligned images.

Input images to be aligned		
my_images	Import	Browse
Size = 100x100, Images = 50)	
my_images	Import	Browse
Size = 100x100, Images = 50)	
my_ref	Import	Browse
Size = 100x100, Images = 5 Output file with aligned images	5	
my_images_ali	Export	

Note:

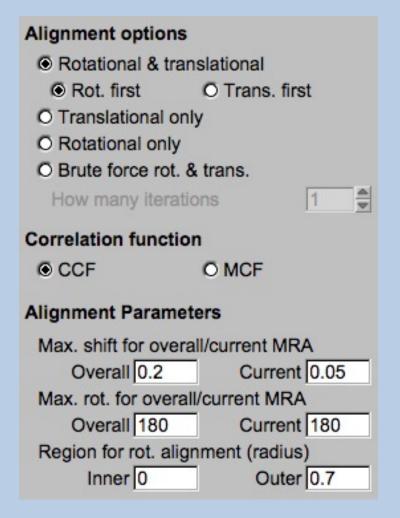
In case the input images are already moved (in a previous **IMAGIC** alignment, for example) the "original" non-moved images will be used for an "equivalent move" to avoid multiple interpolation artefacts.

If your references were generated from multiple 3D volumes it can be a good idea to align each particle image either to all references or to its own 3D volume references only. It is you choice:

Reference option

- Align to all references
- O Align to own 3D references only

There is a number of parameters which you can specify to adjust the alignment::



You can get detailed help by moving the cursor over the related boxes.



You can get help by moving the cursor over the related boxes.

Do not forget to strongly suppress the high frequencies during alignments to avoid bias and over-fitting:

Filter refere	ences		
• Low-pass	filter		
HF cut	0.7		
Filter refere	nces		
O Low-pass	filter		
HF cut	0.7		
O Band-pass filter			
LF cut	0.10	HF cut	0.10
Out-off high frequencies			
HF cut off	0.7	Drop off	0.1

Run the alignment and check the printout in the terminal window as well as the aligned images in the display on the right-hand side.

If necessary, change parameters and re-run the alignment,





The following options are not (yet) possible:

- Run in batch mode.
- Store output files and results of different pages in different sub-directories of the working directory.





We intensively tested the **guiALIGN** program and tried to find all possible errors and inconsistencies. But the current program is very complex and still in progress. So you may still find some problems.

We are happy to get feed-back. Please send your comments, error hints etc. to

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