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Abstract

The body plan of every higher animal is formed in a series of tissue folding and migration events called gastrulation. At the end of gastrulation, the three tissue layers ectoderm, mesoderm and endoderm are defined. In addition to the formation of these tissue layers, the embryo of the fruit fly *Drosophila melanogaster* extends during gastrulation along its head-to-tail axis. During this process of germband extension, the embryo doubles the germband in size and folds it onto itself. Germband extension coincides at the future head and tail by invagination of the gut and is accompanied by the formation of transient folds in the head (cephalic furrow) and back (dorsal folds) of the embryo. Some of these events, like the formation of the posterior gut, provide support for germband extension. Other events such as invagination and rotation of the cephalic furrow, or anterior and posterior invagination of the dorsal folds coincide with germband extension dynamics in a spatial and temporal manner, but their function or relationship with respect to germband extension remains unknown. In my thesis I established tools for the qualitative and quantitative analysis of folds and the epithelium of the *Drosophila* embryo. These tools allowed me to address the putative function of these transient folds by quantitative analyses of whole mount time lapse recordings in the developing *Drosophila* embryo, giving me a new global picture of motion dynamics in the *Drosophila* embryo.

Zusammenfassung

Der Bauplan des Körpers eines jeden höheren Tieres wird durch multiple Faltungs- und Bewegungsprozesse des Gewebes definiert. Die Gesamtheit dieser Prozesse wird als Gastrulation bezeichnet und resultiert in der Anlage der drei Keimblätter Ektoderm, Mesoderm und Endoderm. Zusätzlich zur Anlage dieser drei Keimblätter, dehnt sich die Kopf-Schwanzachse des *Drosophila melanogaster* Embryos während der Gastrulation aus. Während dieses Prozesses, genannt Keimstreifverlängerung, verdoppelt der Embryo die Länge des Keimstreifs und faltet ihn auf sich selbst. Die Keimstreifverlängerung fällt mit der Invagination des Darms am Kopf und Schwanz vom Embryo zusammen, und wird weiterhin von der Invagination der transienten Kopffurche (Cephalen Furche) und der beiden transienten Dorsalen Furchen begleitet. Während ein Teil dieser Prozesse, wie die Invagination des Posterioren Darms, die Keimstreifverlängerung unterstützen, fallen andere Prozesse, wie die Invagination und Rotation der Cephalen Furche, oder die Invagination der anterioren und posterioren Dorsalen Furchen zwar zeitlich und räumlich mit der Keimstreifverlängerung zusammen, allerdings ist ihre Funktion in Bezug auf die Keimstreifverlängerung bisher unbekannt. In meiner Dissertation habe ich Methoden zur qualitativen und quantitativen Analyse von Furchen und des Epithels im *Drosophila* Embryo entwickelt. Diese Methoden ermöglichten, mir potentielle Funktionen der transienten Furchen durch eine quantitative Analyse von *in toto* Langzeitaufnahmen, des sich entwickelnden *Drosophila* Embryos zu untersuchen, was mir erlaubte ein komplett neues Bild der Bewegungsdynamik im *Drosophila* Embryo zu generieren.

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Acronyms

A area. 36

AMG anterior midgut. 3, 7, 8, 15, 16, 22, 34, 36

AP anterior-posterior. 3, 5, 17, 20, 34–37, 40, 43, 62, 73, 84, 85, 87

AS amnioserosa. 8

btd buttonhead. 5, 63

C. riparius *Chironomus riparius*. 10, 14, 55, 65

CCD circumscribed circle diameter. 36, 37, 43

CF cephalic furrow. 2–6, 8, 14–16, 20–22, 26, 34–37, 39, 40, 42, 43, 46, 47, 49, 55, 61–65, 69, 73, 82, 83, 87, 113

cta concertina. 7

D. melanogaster *Drosophila melanogaster*. 1, 2, 8, 10, 15, 16, 39, 40, 47, 49, 51–55, 62, 63, 65, 69, 91

D. pseudoobscura *Drosophila pseudoobscura*. 17, 51, 52, 54

DF dorsal fold. 3, 6, 8, 14, 17, 22, 46, 47, 49, 52, 55, 62–65, 69, 73, 82, 83, 113

DV dorsal-ventral. 17, 20, 35–37, 42, 43, 84, 85

EL egg length (0% = anterior pole). 2, 6, 20, 34, 46

eve *even-skipped*. 5, 63

fog *folded gastrulation*. 7

GBE germband extension. 3–8, 10, 14–16, 20–23, 34–37, 39, 40, 42, 46, 49, 52, 60, 63–65, 84, 87, 117

LUT lookup table. 85

NaN not a number. 69

OF Optical Flow. 17, 85

PI Propidium Iodide. 21, 78, 80

PIV Particle Image Velocimetry. 17, 21, 22, 27, 57, 58, 120, 125

PMG posterior midgut. 3, 5–8, 15, 16, 22, 35, 36, 60, 64, 83, 85

RPM rounds per minute. 78

RT room temperature. 78

SPIM Selective plane illumination microscopy. 16, 40, 63, 65, 69, 71, 91

VF ventral furrow. 2–4, 7, 10, 16, 20, 22, 23, 26, 27, 35, 36, 61

VP ventral plate. 4

zen *zerknüllt*. 8

1 | Introduction

Developmental biology is one of the most fascinating disciplines in biology. Whole complex organisms consisting of thousands or millions of cells originate from a single zygote [Gilbert and Barresi, 2016]. In order to develop such a complex organism, cells have to proliferate, but even more important they have to be organized. The process during which cells organize themselves in the 3 distinct tissue layers ectoderm, mesoderm and endoderm is called gastrulation [Gilbert and Barresi, 2016]. During gastrulation, the principles of development in biology can be observed on very short time scales as the underlying genotype is rapidly transformed into a phenotype. This rapid transformation involves large scale cell movements, maternal and somatic gene expression and a high level of conservation among all animal species [Gilbert and Barresi, 2016]. In the last century, *Drosophila melanogaster* (*D. melanogaster*) has become one of the main model organisms to study gastrulation and other processes during development. The advantages of *D. melanogaster* are, that it is easy and cheap to keep, it has short generation times with a high number of offspring and imaging of the embryos is fairly simple [Jennings, 2011]. In addition, because of its limited size, *D. melanogaster* allows for *in toto* imaging of gastrulation, opening up new possibilities of understanding the complexity of cell and tissue migration during gastrulation [Tomer et al., 2012].

1.1 *Drosophila* development

1.1.1 Pre-gastrulation development

The development of *D. melanogaster* starts with the fertilized egg cell which undergoes 13 cycles of nuclear division. In contrast to other animals, these division cycles do not include cell division, leading to a syncytium where all nuclei share one cell [Rabinowitz, 1941, Zalokar and Erk, 1976, Foe and Alberts, 1983]. These division cycles are synchronized among all nuclei, and follow a strict timing. Cycles 1 - 9 take around 8 minutes per cycle to complete. For the next nuclear division cycles, the duration increases, as cycle, 10, 11, 12 and 13 take on average 9, 10, 12 and 21 minutes to complete [Foe and Alberts, 1983]. The 14th cycle is asynchronous and takes between 75 and 175 minutes depending on the location of the cells [Foe, 1989]. After cycle 8, the majority of nuclei start to migrate towards the periphery [Zalokar and Erk, 1976, Foe and Alberts, 1983]. Some nuclei which will later become the yolk nuclei remain at their position in the yolk. Around stage 10 all of the migrating nuclei arrive in the periphery of the embryo. In addition, the pole cells are formed at stage 10 [Zalokar and Erk, 1976, Foe and Alberts, 1983]. During stage 14, when the 14th division cycle takes place, the nuclei elongate and cellularization occurs as plasma membrane extends from the outer surface in between the nuclei, producing individual compartments [Foe and Alberts, 1983, Warn and Robert-Nicoud, 1990, Schweisguth et al., 1991].

1.1.2 Gastrulation

A few minutes after cellularization is completed, gastrulation starts. At the beginning of gastrulation two folds invaginate almost at the same time, namely the ventral furrow (VF) and the cephalic furrow (CF) [Poulson, 1950, Sonnenblick, 1950, Turner and Mahowald, 1977]. The CF is a circumferential fold located at 33% egg length (0% = anterior pole) (EL), while the VF is a linear fold forming between 14% and 94% EL [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997, Ingham, 1994]. While the cells invaginated by the VF later on

in development contribute to the mesoderm [Leptin and Grunewald, 1990, Leptin et al., 1992, Thisse et al., 1988], the cells incorporated in the CF will return back to the surface of the embryo in later development, and remain still part of the ectoderm [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Foe, 1989, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. In contrast to the CF, which continues invaginating even during germband extension (GBE), the VF invagination is quite fast [Underwood et al., 1980, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. Soon after the VF closes, and the now mesodermal cells in the lumen of the embryo form a tube, the development of the embryo continues with GBE [Ingham, 1994]. During GBE ventral and lateral cells move in a continuous flow towards the ventral midline, where they intercalate and form an elongation in the anterior-posterior (AP)-direction [Irvine and Wieschaus, 1994, Butler et al., 2009, Collinet et al., 2015, Kong et al., 2017]. This elongation extends around the posterior pole and continues on the dorsal side all the way to the cephalic furrow [Ingham, 1994, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. In addition to the cell driven elongation, the posterior midgut (PMG) invagination, which takes place at the same time, exerts an external pulling force on the extending germband [Collinet et al., 2015, Kong et al., 2017]. In the head region of the embryo another process takes place around the same time. The anterior midgut (AMG) invaginates on the ventral side of the embryo, just anterior to the CF. The cells in both of these midgut invaginations will later contribute to the endoderm [Poulson, 1950, Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Foe, 1989, Desprat et al., 2008]. If this simultaneously-running processes were not enough, the extraembryonic tissue known as the amnioserosa extends from its dorsally located domain towards the lateral sides, and stretches between the CF and the posterior dorsal fold (DF) [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Lacy and Hutson, 2016]. After GBE is completed, around 3h after the onset of gastrulation, there is a break, afterwards the germband retracts and the embryo undergoes dorsal closure, followed by segmentation and the formation of the inner organs [Goldman-Levi et al., 1996, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997, Jacinto et al., 2002, Schöck and Perimon, 2002, Heisenberg, 2009]. In the following section I will go more into detail about the processes which take place during early gastrulation and might be im-

portant for understanding the context of the transient folds during GBE.

Ventral furrow invagination

Ventral furrow invagination starts with the apical flattening of a domain of 18 cells in width and around 60 cells in length. These cells along the so called ventral plate (VP) will eventually form the VF [Sweeton et al., 1991]. As their apical end becomes flat, the cells of the VP shorten in length [Leptin and Grunewald, 1990, Leptin et al., 1992]. Concurrently with this shortening, the nuclei of these cells shift slightly towards the basal end [Ingham, 1994]. Together with the apical basal shortening, the apices of the cells constrict, and the cells undergo a shape transition from columnar, through trapezoidal, to a final triangular shape [Sweeton et al., 1991, Kam et al., 1991, Parks and Wieschaus, 1991, Martin et al., 2008]. The triangular shape of the cells with the tip of the triangle at their apices, and the base of the triangle at their basal side, induces a curvature which is in opposition to the ellipsoidal curvature of the egg. The result is the formation of the ventral furrow [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Sweeton et al., 1991, Ingham, 1994, He et al., 2014]. The whole process of VF formation is very fast, and is completed in 8-11 minutes [Sweeton et al., 1991].

The formation of the cephalic furrow

Same time as the onset of VF invagination, the CF starts to invaginate [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Ingham, 1994, Vincent et al., 1997]. The mechanism of CF invagination is different to VF invagination; it starts with the shortening of a single row of cells in the lateral regions of the embryo [Vincent et al., 1997, Spencer et al., 2015]. As these cells remain attached to the yolk sac membrane during this process, their apices are pulled inwards, creating a small indentation on the surface of the embryo [Turner and Mahowald, 1977]. As the shortening continues, the initially invaginating cells drag more cells along allowing the CF to grow in size and extension. The CF continues to grow further during GBE [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Ingham, 1994, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. After GBE the CF unfolds, bringing all cells back to the surface of the embryo, leaving no trace

behind [Turner and Mahowald, 1977]. The position of the CF is specified by an overlap of the transcription factors *buttonhead* (*btd*) and *even-skipped* (*eve*); a lack of either of those two proteins results in a lack of the CF [Vincent et al., 1997]. Both genes, *btd* and *eve* act relatively early in this process, and so far there have been no findings of genes involved further downstream. Interestingly, although the CF was described decades ago, its function is so far completely unknown. Besides speculation that the CF is only a simple separator of the head from the rest of the embryo, there have also been attempts to solve the function via computational modeling [Allena et al., 2010, Allena and Aubry, 2012, Dicko et al., 2017]. The last of these suggests that the function of the CF could be to break the symmetry, to allow for asymmetric GBE as it takes place in *Drosophila*.

Germband extension

GBE starts between 9 and 10 minutes after the onset of gastrulation [Sweeton et al., 1991]. During GBE cells located on the ventral and lateral sides of the embryo intercalate and extend in a coordinated manner in the AP direction around the posterior pole all the way towards the CF on the dorsal side of the embryo [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Sweeton et al., 1991, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. This extension is driven by two main processes, which can be considered the motors of GBE [Kong et al., 2017]. The first driving process is the cell intercalation which produces a cell autonomous force in the AP direction [Bertet et al., 2004, Zallen and Blankenship, 2008]. This intercalation takes place in 2 ways: cells can either exchange their neighbours via a T1-T3 junctional transition, or alternatively, the cells form rosettes where each group of 6-8 cells forms a joined center. This rosette is in a second step transformed into an elongation in the AP direction [Blankenship et al., 2006]. The second major driving force of GBE is the PMG invagination, which produces an external force, pulling cells in a dorsal-anterior direction [Collinet et al., 2015, Kong et al., 2017]. GBE is further subdivided, into a fast and a slow phase. The fast phase takes around 35 minutes and accounts for 84% of the total extension. After the fast phase, the germband extends in the slow phase for another 70 minutes before it comes to a complete stop at 27%

EL [Ingham, 1994, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997].

Dorsal fold invagination

The anterior and posterior DF are formed at the onset of GBE on the dorsal surface of the embryo. The anterior DF is located at 50% egg length, and the posterior DF is located at roughly 65% egg length [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. They quickly invaginate cells, grow in depth and symmetrically extend (left-right) in the lateral direction [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997, Wang et al., 2012]. As the germband with the leading PMG invagination encounters the DFs, both DFs, first the posterior and then the anterior are dragged along towards the cephalic furrow [Turner and Mahowald, 1977]. During germband extension, the posterior DF grows significantly in depth and extension, while the anterior DF remains rather small [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Wang et al., 2013]. Initiation of the DFs and therefore also their position is genetically regulated by a shift of Par-1 expression levels. This shift in expression level leads to a basal shift of junctions, as it changes the ratio between Bazooka, aPKC and Par-1, which together control the junction positions [Wang et al., 2012]. The shift introduces a junctional asymmetry and leads to a curved lateral membrane of the cells adjacent to the initiator cells [Wang et al., 2012]. In addition to this invagination mechanism, the size of the DFs is controlled by the expression of the GTPase activating protein Rapgap1, which controls the activity of the small GTPase Rap1 [Chen et al., 1997, Wang et al., 2013]. Rapgap1 expression is mainly limited to the posterior DF allowing for a deeper invagination compared to the anterior DF [Wang et al., 2013]. The function of the DFs has so far remained unclear; some have even suggested that they are an artifact of germband extension and do not have a function at all [Sonnenblick, 1950]. However the fact that they are tightly genetically regulated argues that they may in fact have a function. Similar to the CF, the DFs unfold later in development and have no role in tissue specification.

Posterior Midgut Invagination

The posterior midgut starts to invaginate at the dorsal posterior end of the embryo at the onset of GBE [Poulson, 1950, Turner and Mahowald, 1977]. The tissue incorporated in this invagination will become endodermal tissue contributing to the PMG and possibly also the hindgut [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997, Ingham, 1994]. In addition, germ cells of *Drosophila*, the so called pole cells, are incorporated in this invagination [Turner and Mahowald, 1977]. The PMG invagination has a similar underlying invagination mechanism as the VF invagination. This is first illustrated by the apical constriction and flattening of the posterior pole before the formation of a cup-shaped invagination, in which the pole cells are invaginated [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Sweeton et al., 1991]. Second, the similarity is illustrated from a genetic point of view, as the VF and PMG invagination both require *folded gastrulation* (*fog*) and *concertina* (*cta*) [Zusman and Wieschaus, 1985, Parks and Wieschaus, 1991]. From the mechanical point of view, the PMG invagination belongs to one of the strongest embryonic processes, as its force is high enough to rip the ventral-posterior epithelium [Collinet et al., 2015]. In accordance with these results, the PMG invagination is able to handle the loss of convergent extension, one of the 2 main driving forces of GBE and complete GBE almost on its own, although at a slower pace [Wieschaus et al., 1984, Butler et al., 2009].

Anterior Midgut Invagination

The AMG invagination forms at the anterior tip of the VF [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. The AMG invagination forms a y-shaped tip, still connected to the VF [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Ingham, 1994]. The invaginated cells contribute to the endoderm of the embryo [Poulson, 1950]. In contrast to the VF invagination, the AMG invagination remains open and connected to the surface for longer [Turner and Mahowald, 1977]. A specified mitotic domain in which cells have a division axis perpendicular to the surface, also contributes to the AMG invagination, as one daughter cell invaginates, while the other one remains on the surface [Foe, 1989]. In addition it was shown that cells

which do not invaginate in the original AMG invagination, but remain longer on the surface, contribute to the AMG [Technau and Campos-Ortega, 1985]. Recently it was shown, that AMG invagination can be induced via mechanical manipulation induced gene expression [Desprat et al., 2008]. In contrast to the pulling function of the PMG invagination [Collinet et al., 2015], there is currently no evidence, that the AMG invagination executes a similar function.

Amnioserosa formation

The extraembryonic tissue in *Drosophila*, the so called amnioserosa (AS), extends during GBE from a dorsally located domain of around 200 cells in size [Schweisguth et al., 1991, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. Characteristic for the AS are the polyploid, flat squamous cell spreading to seal the dorsal and lateral sides of the *D. melanogaster* embryo during GBE [Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997, Grimaldi and Engel, 2005]. The anterior and posterior limits of the AS during this process are provided by the CF and the posterior DF [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. Analogously to germband extension, the spreading of the amnioserosa is divided into a fast phase of around 30 minutes, and a slow phase of 90 minutes [Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997] (reviewed in [Lacy and Hutson, 2016]). The spread of the AS is mediated via rotary cell elongation, which produces a cell autonomous force [Pope and Harris, 2008]. The extent of the AS is specified by the HOX-like transcription factor *zerknüllt* (*zen*) [Hughes and Kaufman, 2002, Schmidt-Ott et al., 2010].

Mitosis

While the first 13 division cycles in *D. melanogaster* are, except for the yolk nuclei and pole cells, globally synchronized, this synchrony is lost during the 14th division cycle [Zalokar and Erk, 1976, Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Foe and Alberts, 1983, Foe, 1989]. After the 14th cycle, when the embryo enters gastrulation, mitosis continues in certain areas of the embryo, called mitotic domains [Foe, 1989]. There are a total number of 25 mitotic domains, each of them having their own synchrony [Foe, 1989]. The role of these mitotic domains during gastrulation has

not been completely resolved yet. However, as new cells need space, in the already tightly packed embryo, a certain mechanical influence on morphogenetic movements during gastrulation is very likely [Foe, 1989, Momen-Roknabadi et al., 2016].

1.2 Tissue and cell migration

1.2.1 2D epithelial sheet migration

Cell migration whether in the form of single cells or as epithelial sheets, plays a major role during the development of any higher metazoan [Gilbert and Barresi, 2016]. In epithelial sheets, cells move in a coordinated fashion and are linked via junctions [Thiery et al., 1988, Takeichi, 1991, Gumbiner, 1996]. Multiple mechanical analyses and models have shown that the cells of an epithelial sheet can behave like an active fluid with low Reynolds numbers for longer timescales. In the opposite case, for short time scales, epithelia rather exhibit elastic properties [George et al., 2017, Delile et al., 2017, Blanch-Mercader et al., 2017]. The relevant time scales for the switch between elastic and viscous behavior depend on the intra- and intercellular kinetics [Blanch-Mercader et al., 2017]. The junctions required to ensure the integrity of an epithelium behave in a very similar way and show an elastic behavior for time scales < 1 minute, whereas they show a dissipative viscous behavior for time scales > 1 minute [Clément et al., 2017]. This junctional flexibility is required to allow an epithelium to act like a fluid [Curran et al., 2017].

The cells of an epithelium are usually connected to both a substrate and to their surrounding cells, allowing for the transmission of forces. Forces in a crawling epithelium are usually built up in the outer regions and are then transmitted to the inner epithelial cells where regions of force heterogenities spanning a few cell widths are built up [George et al., 2017]. In cases where the heterogeniety is too high, the epithelium can rupture, interestingly, this can be prevented by cell proliferation [George et al., 2017].

1.2.2 Epithelial sheet migration in *Drosophila*

The above findings were made in epithelial sheets in cell culture. However, epithelial migration in the *Drosophila* embryo underlies the same physical principles and is therefore likely to behave in a very similar way. During VF invagination and GBE large epithelial sheets move along the almost ellipsoidal embryo [Ingham, 1994, Lye and Sanson, 2011, Lye et al., 2015]. As different regions of the embryo have a different 3D shape, including curvature and area (or simplified the diameter), a fluid like epithelium will change its properties, for example velocity, as modeled in 2D by [Blanch-Mercader et al., 2017]. This change of properties likely leads to tensions, and could possibly require neighbor exchanges via junctional remodeling or other ways of tension release. Furthermore, the tissue in the *Drosophila* embryo also makes use of junctional remodeling for active elongation during GBE or amnioserosa spreading [Collinet et al., 2015, Pope and Harris, 2008]. This raises the question of how flexible or stringent the epithelium in the *Drosophila* embryo actually is, and whether epithelial maintenance is area dependent.

1.3 The embryo as mechanical system

In contrast to physics which only requires mathematical principles and is otherwise independent, biology requires both physics and chemistry to be fully understandable. This consideration sheds a different light on findings like the velocity difference in the GBE of *Chironomus riparius* (*C. riparius*) and the GBE of *D. melanogaster* (Urbansky, personal communication), as there is not only the question for the evolutionary benefit, but also how this velocity difference is made possible from the physical point of view. Under the simple assumption that the velocity of GBE is roughly constant, the equation $E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ defines the kinetic energy E of the moving tissue, Where m is the mass and v is the velocity. Assuming the mass remains constant, a velocity increase by a factor of 3-4 leads to an increase of the kinetic energy by a factor of 9-16. How can this be handled by the tissue?

This point of view is important, as there are still structures like the transient folds whose function is unclear [Lye and Sanson, 2011]. However it only became possible to investigate these folds in a global context with the availability of microscopes which provide high spatial and temporal resolution [Krzic et al., 2012]. Combining this technical point of view, with classical biological and possibly also evolutionary perspectives might deliver new insights into hidden functions in the *Drosophila* embryo.

2 | Aim

The *Drosophila* embryo is a highly dynamic system, which develops by numerous serially as well as parallelly coordinated developmental processes, comprising over 6000 cells. The complexity and coordination observed in the *Drosophila* embryo is presumably shaped by a long evolutionary history of gradual change. A notable outcome of constant tinkering of cell and tissue mechanical processes is a speed increase in tissue elongation by a factor of 3-4 in the last 250 million years. My thesis explores putative requirements and consequences that the *Drosophila* embryo faced to handle challenges associated with the innovation of faster and presumably more efficient tissue extension.

A velocity change in tissue extension by a factor of 3-4 is likely accompanied by changes at the cellular level like enhanced coordination, leading to faster and more efficient intercalation. However, it was recently shown that tissue elongation in *Drosophila* is not only dependent on cellular behavior, but involves global extrinsic forces [Butler et al., 2009]. This means that the changes on the cellular level were likely accompanied by more global changes in tissue morphogenesis, i.e. newly acquired abilities to bend and fold the tissue. To obtain a comprehensive picture of this time span in development I needed an *in toto* data set of the embryo combining high temporal with high spatial resolution. With the advent of light sheet microscopy, an imaging technology that allows for such recordings has been recently become available. Here, I make use of this microscopy methods to address tissue level innovations in flies that have a putative impact on the speed and efficiency of early embryonic morphogenesis. My analyses identified two structures

with high potential for putative impact on early morphogenesis. The cephalic furrow (CF) and the posterior dorsal fold (DF). These transient folds are only present during germband extension (GBE) and vanish without a trace in later development. Currently there is no function described for these folds, a reason could be that they seem to be highly dynamic and well integrated into GBE, rendering a detailed analysis with classic microscopes almost impossible. However, their location, the CF represents the dorsal and ventral extremes of GBE, while the posterior DF is located perpendicular like an obstacle in the track of the germband, and their evolutionary history *Chironomus riparius* (*C. riparius*) does not have these transient folds, it also has a slower GBE, suggest that they could be key structures for fast GBE.

3 | Results

During gastrulation almost all of the over 6000 cells of the fly embryo take part in various movements, including several larger invaginations and movements like germband extension (GBE) as well as anterior midgut (AMG), posterior midgut (PMG) and cephalic furrow (CF) invagination [Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. As space in the fly embryo is very limited it can be assumed that there has to be a tight coordination of these events, facilitating interaction, but limiting interference, to a minimum. Although most of the processes and movements have been studied in detail, most of the work was usually limited to single processes, as the *Drosophila melanogaster* (*D. melanogaster*) embryo is simply too large for imaging a large field of view at high temporal and spatial resolution. However, despite these limitations, there has been work showing interaction between different processes, as exemplified by the driving of GBE via the force generated by the PMG in the trunk of the embryo [Collinet et al., 2015]. My intention in this work is to go even a step further and show a global picture of movements taking place on the embryo during gastrulation and create a detailed *in toto* map of motion and timing to understand putative supporting and antagonizing events, as well as possible counter measures of the embryo against interference. I will do this using the process of fast GBE and associated processes as representative system.

3.1 The *in toto* approach

In order to analyze *in toto* motion of the *Drosophila* embryo an imaging method providing a full 3 dimensional view with a high spatial and temporal resolution was required. Confocal microscopy can provide a very high spatial resolution, but is generally slow, and light diffraction prevents an *in toto* view on the embryo, as the *Drosophila* embryo is too large. Spinning disc microscopy provides both a high temporal and spatial resolution, but it is still limited because of diffraction. The only current technology which can overcome this issue is lightsheet microscopy, in which the embryo can be rotated and imaged from multiple sides [Huisken et al., 2004, Krzic et al., 2012]. Using computer algorithms, these multiple views, usually 4, can be merged into one isotropic image which depicts the embryo from all sides in an equal quality (figure 3.1). In addition, the Selective plane illumination microscopy (SPIM) comes with a very low phototoxicity which allows for imaging of extended periods of time, such as the entire course of embryonic development of *D. melanogaster* [Krzic et al., 2012, Tomer et al., 2012]. This full 3 dimensional view also enables the investigation of processes and structures present on more than one side of the embryo, like the CF or GBE. This means that using this SPIM data I was not only able to have a closer view of cell movement, structures like invaginations, and processes like GBE, but also at the interaction between them. This enabled me to ask several questions:

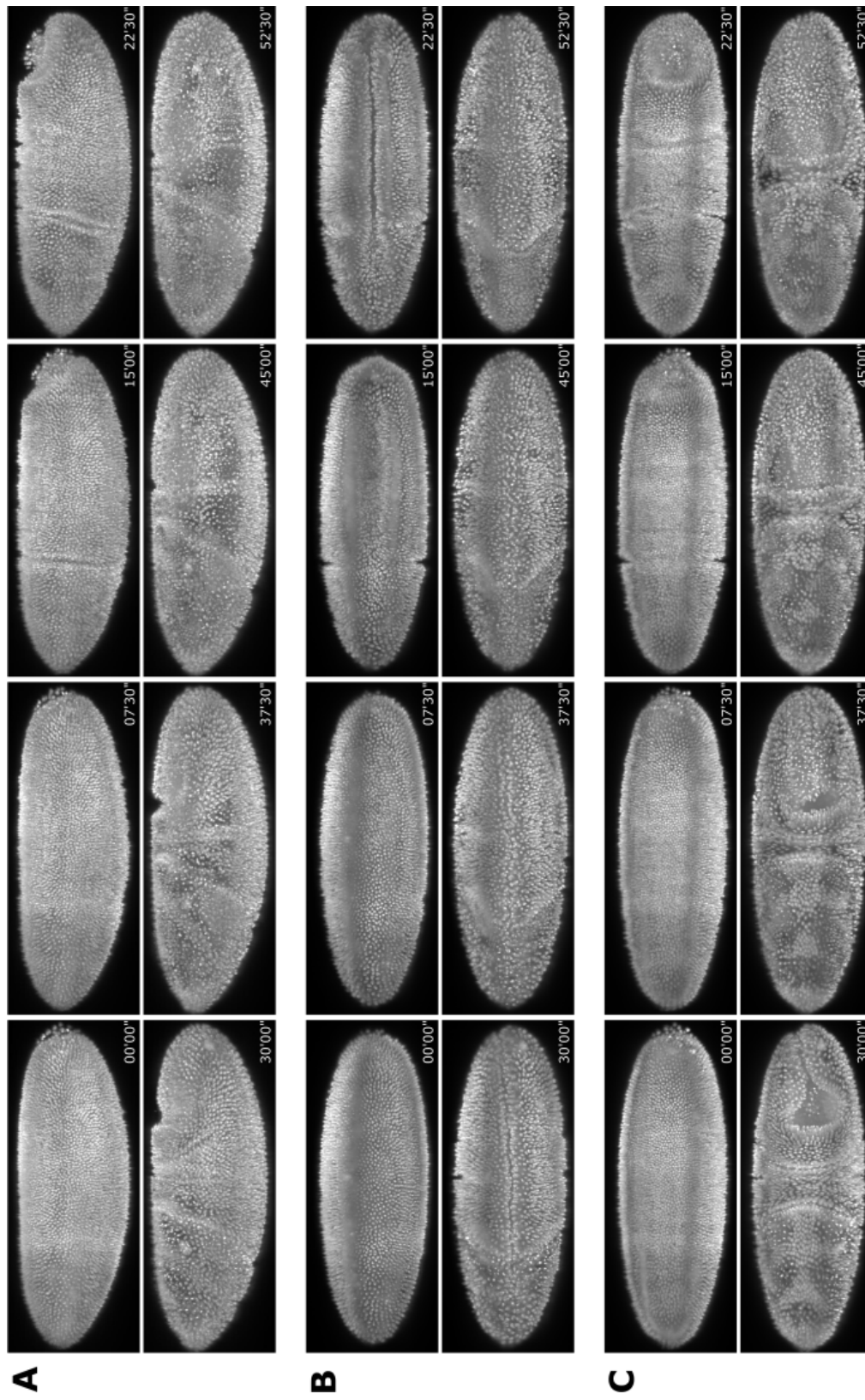
- What happens to a cell once it joins an invagination, and vanishes from the surface? Do epithelial properties still apply?
- How do structures behave in contrast to the surface?
- Can the structures be grouped according to the cell behavior within them?

The last question was specifically interesting, as the invaginations in the fly embryo can be divided into 2 groups: 1. Invaginations specifying tissue as endoderm or mesoderm, like the ventral furrow (VF) invagination, as well as the AMG and PMG invagination. 2. Invaginations that do not change tissue fate, like the CF and

the anterior and posterior dorsal fold (DF)s. To answer these questions I needed to find a suitable method to analyze and visualize movement of cells (velocity \vec{v}) in the embryo. The ideal way would have been automated tracking. However, this method comes with a very serious problem caused by error propagation. The blastoderm fly embryo contains around 6000 cells which are tightly packed, and the automated segmentation of these cell proved to be difficult. This is principally because the imaging quality was not always at the same level, as cells located closer to the acquiring objective were imaged with higher intensities and sharper contours, then cells located further away on the surface or inside the embryo. This problem lead to a certain likelihood of wrong segmentations. A segmentation error then leads to a tracking error in the track of a tracked cell. Another problem was raised by the temporal length of the data. I analyzed cells in a time frame of more than 60 minutes using a temporal resolution of 30s, which gave me more than 100 time points per track. Therefore using an automated tracking algorithm with a common accuracy of 97%-99% would have been insufficient, as statistically every track would have contained 1-3 errors. This is why I decided to use Optical Flow (OF), also known as Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV).

3.2 *In toto motion*

To measure acceleration and velocity of the cells in toto I used PIV and combined it with a heatmap based color visualization to display velocity and a color spectrum based visualization to visualize direction (see section 5.2.3). As the fly embryo is geometrically best represented by an ellipsoid, which can be simplified to a cylinder, I used a cylindrical coordinate system for assigning direction labels. Distances and therefore velocity were, however, still measured in a cartesian coordinate system, as in the case of this *Drosophila* embryo the time resolution (30 s) was high enough to allow for the vectors in the dorsal-ventral (DV) direction to become tangential. The vectors in the anterior-posterior (AP) direction correspond anyway to a cartesian axis. The analysis shown here was based on the work done in my master thesis for *Drosophila pseudoobscura* (*D. pseudoobscura*) [Schütz, 2014].



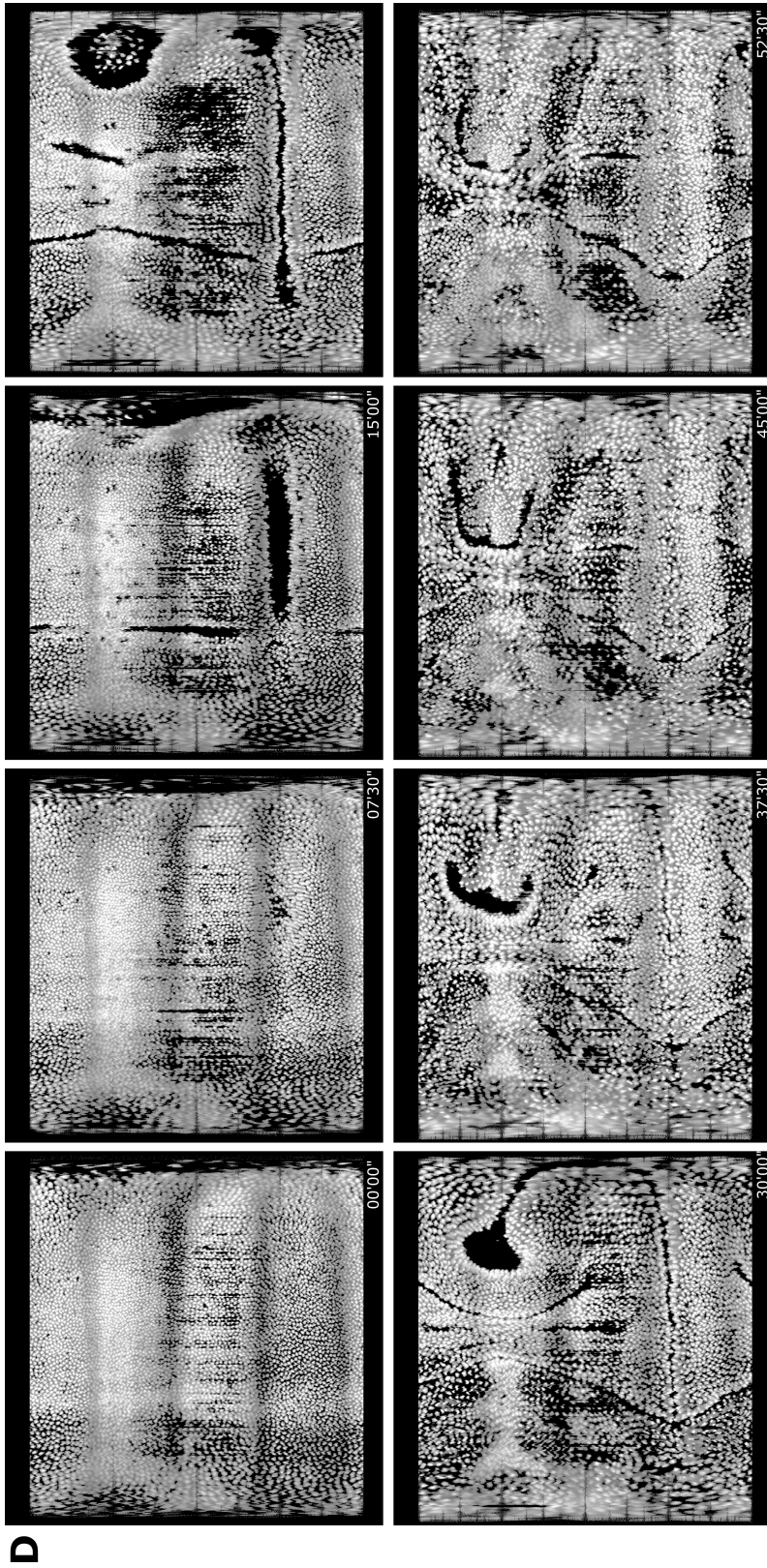


Figure 3.1: **Maximum intensity projections of different stages of development Gastrulation in Drosophila** is shown from the **A** lateral, **B** ventral and **C** dorsal side, as well as in an unrolled view **D**. At 0 minutes, the embryo was just before gastrulation. At 7.5 minutes, the posterior pole started to flatten and the first movements of ventral furrow invagination could be observed. At 15 minutes, the cephalic furrow was clearly visible and germband extension started with the first movements of posterior midgut invagination. At 22.5 minutes, the pole cells moved already to the dorsal side, and the anterior and posterior dorsal folds appeared. The ventral furrow was now closed and the cephalic furrow started to tilt. After 30 minutes, the germband had completed around 50% of its total track. The dorsal side was already cramped from the germband and the tilt of the cephalic furrow was clearly visible. After 37.5 minutes the dorsal folds fused on the dorsal side. At 45 minutes, the tilt of the cephalic furrow was at full extent and the germband was only a few cell sizes away from it. After 52.5 minutes, the germband reached the cephalic furrow and only the posterior dorsal fold could still be seen, while the anterior one was gone.

Prior to GBE, almost no movement was present in the embryo as illustrated by the black and purple colors of the speed visualization (figure 3.2 A), and the rather chaotic colors in the direction visualization (figure 3.2 E). The first speed changes, although they were only subtle, could be seen during the invagination of the CF and VF. However, as soon as GBE started, the cells accelerated significantly and high speeds of more than $10 \mu m/min$ could be observed (figure 3.2 A). The highest velocities could be observed from cells located at the ventral posterior part of the embryo and on the lateral sides between 40% and 60% egg length (0% = anterior pole) (EL). To tell the direction in the speed visualization for all directions (figure 3.2 A), I did 3 further visualizations, one showing only movement in the AP direction (figure 3.2 B), one depicting movement in the posterior direction (figure 3.2 C), and the last one depicting movement in the anterior direction (figure 3.2 D). Compared to the visualization in all directions, the highlighted domains, representing fast moving cells, shrank, especially on the lateral sides in the anterior half of the embryo; i.e. the AP cell movement in the anterior half of the embryo is mainly limited to the dorsal and ventral midline (figure 3.2 A+B). In the posterior half of the embryo movement in the AP-direction was also present on the lateral sides. However, also in the posterior half there was a good share of movement in the DV-direction, which can be seen from the change to darker colors (figure 3.2 A+B). Further differences between the posterior and anterior half could be observed in the single direction AP-visualizations. There seemed to be a clear line separating the ventral development of the embryo trunk into 2 halves, even before the onset of GBE. This line was located at 60% to 65% EL, which corresponded to 50% of the line between the CF and the posterior pole (figure 3.2 C+D). During ventral furrow invagination, cells located posterior to this line moved in the anterior direction, and vice versa, cells located anterior moved in the posterior direction. At the onset of GBE, there was a switch of directions in the movement of cells on the ventral midline. Cells located posterior of the described line moved now in the posterior direction, and cells located anterior, in the anterior direction (figure 3.2 C+D). The posterior movement was faster, involved more cells and lasted longer than the anterior movement. Although the posterior movement was dominant,

the anterior movement of cells was clearly visible, which questioned the concept of GBE as an exclusively posterior directed process (figure 3.2 D). Although the main movements during gastrulation could be seen with both visualizations, direction and speed, certain questions and problems remained. The cell movement in the embryo seemed to be clustered into larger groups (figure 3.2 E), however it did not become clear how homogeneous or heterogeneous these clusters were and how their edges behaved. The resolution of the spectrum visualization might not have been good enough to answer this question, although it was already higher than the resolution of the 8 color based visualization of my master thesis. A higher resolution, using a 16- or 24-color based visualization with sharp edges could have been a solution to this problem. However, as the nuclei did not move on a linear track, but were also subject to some random motion similar to Brownian motion, their velocity vectors were averaged, which counteracted a higher resolution. Furthermore, the Propidium Iodide (PI) analysis did not show a clear differentiation between structures and surface cells. This might have been on the one hand due to the movement of this structures in context with the general cell flow, but on the other hand also due to an automated segmentation which was required by the PIV pipeline. As explained above, automated segmentations never have an ideal solution. In this particular case, the automated segmentation was configured in a way that the surface cells were recognized, but also separated, which lead to drastic losses of cells in all folds and invaginations, as their low signal was no longer considered for segmentation. The reasons listed above could explain why the flow in the head region was changing very often, and in general inconclusive. Cell movements in the head region during GBE are less described than the movements in the trunk of the embryo. A model of the gastrulating embryo even suggests almost no movements in the presence of the CF, but rather strong circular movements, similar to the ones in the tail region in absence of a CF [Dicko et al., 2017].

The above presented data gave a first impression of the motion in the embryo, but the chosen analysis was not able to fulfill the requirements for a comprehensive *in toto* picture of the embryo, mainly because of the lack of resolution and the lack in surface and structure differentiation. Especially the transient folds could only

be seen by black gaps in the visualization, due to the lack in segmented cells. This made an analysis of them in context with the cell motion impossible, leaving the questions I posed above unanswered. As a consequence a better solution for motion analysis than PIV was required, which was manual tracking.

3.3 Cell and structure tracking

To get a comprehensive picture of the embryo's whole motion dynamics, I used cell tracks, as well as relative movement of developmental landmarks. General landmarks of *Drosophila* embryonic development are the PMG invagination, the VF invagination, the AMG invagination as well as the CF invagination and the anterior and posterior DF formation. While the VF, PMG and AMG invaginations are morphological events that occur in all species, the CF and the DFs are recently evolved novelties that are only present in flies with high GBE velocities [Ritter, 1889, Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Urbansky, 2016]. Furthermore, in contrast to the other invaginations, the CF and the DFs are transient folds that do not specify any tissue and disappear without any trace after GBE [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Ingham, 1994, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. Out of these three folds, the CF is the most interesting in context of GBE for several reasons: it represents the ventral and dorsal extremes of GBE, has a rather large surface area, with one edge facing the trunk, and the other edge facing the head and it rotates during the initial fast phase of GBE [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Vincent et al., 1997]. To understand the behavior of the CF in context with GBE I tracked the following structure interest points: ventral CF, dorsal CF and GBE at the anterior edge of the PMG invagination in a lateral and dorso-ventral cross section. I combined these structure tracks with cell tracks from the ventral, the dorsal and one lateral side. I made sure that the germband extended straight, without twisting to ensure lateral symmetry in the tracked embryo.

As manual tracking software, I chose MtrackJ [Meijering et al., 2012] as I had worked with it before, where it proved to be suitable for large 3D+time data sets. There are essentially only 2 criteria for choosing manual tracking software:

the requirement that it should run stably without wasting resources, and personal preference. Other features, such as calculated parameters, are built upon the basic tracking data obtained. I chose not to use the built-in tracking parameters, and instead I calculated them myself. This is because the included parameters are produced from a black box, you do not know and cannot check whether they are correct. I tracked around 700 cells (360 cells in embryo 1 and 340 cells in embryo 2) including cells in areas like the cephalic furrow which are hard to track as they are often just represented by subtle shade changes in a uniform grey surrounding. The second embryo served as confirmation of the results from the first one, however as the second embryo was quite motile during imaging, I was only able to confirm my results by judging the tracks, as the plotted parameters were very noisy (data not shown). To ensure a high tracking accuracy, I considered especially in areas of high cell density and fast movement along the z-axis several criteria:

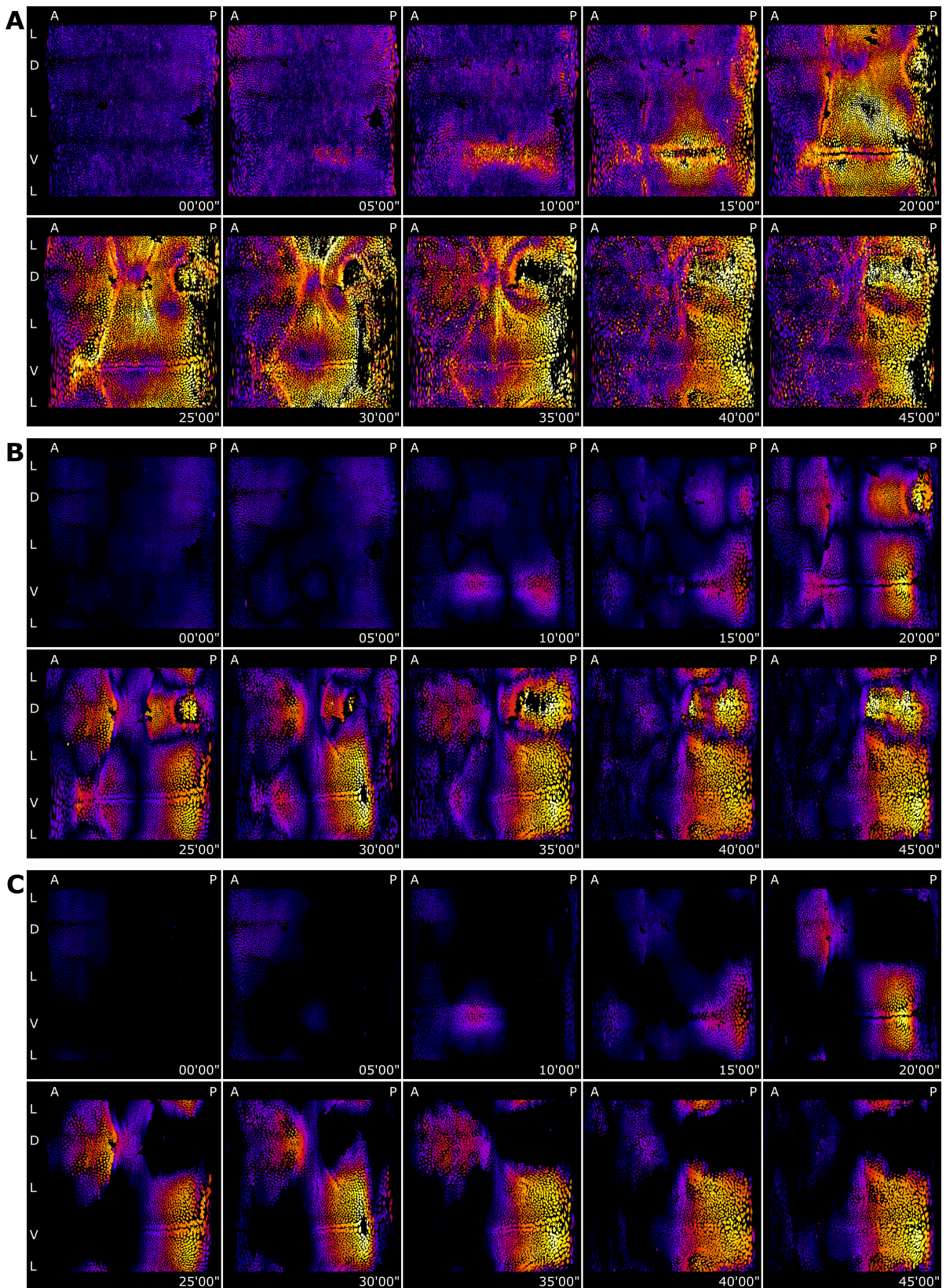
- nucleus shape
- nucleus size
- nucleus intensity
- velocity vector of the tracked nucleus vs general tissue velocity vector
- previous velocity vector
- neighboring cells

I started tracking just at the time point where the first gastrulating movements of cells invaginating into the VF could be observed (figure 3.2 5 minutes). I continued tracking for 65 minutes, at which point GBE was already significantly slower than at the beginning. The tracks from the different sides of the embryo are illustrated in figure 3.3.

3.3.1 Cell clusters

Manual tracking in a 3 dimensional environment of non-confocal data is not trivial, as for example motion in the z-dimension can only be seen via the diameter of the

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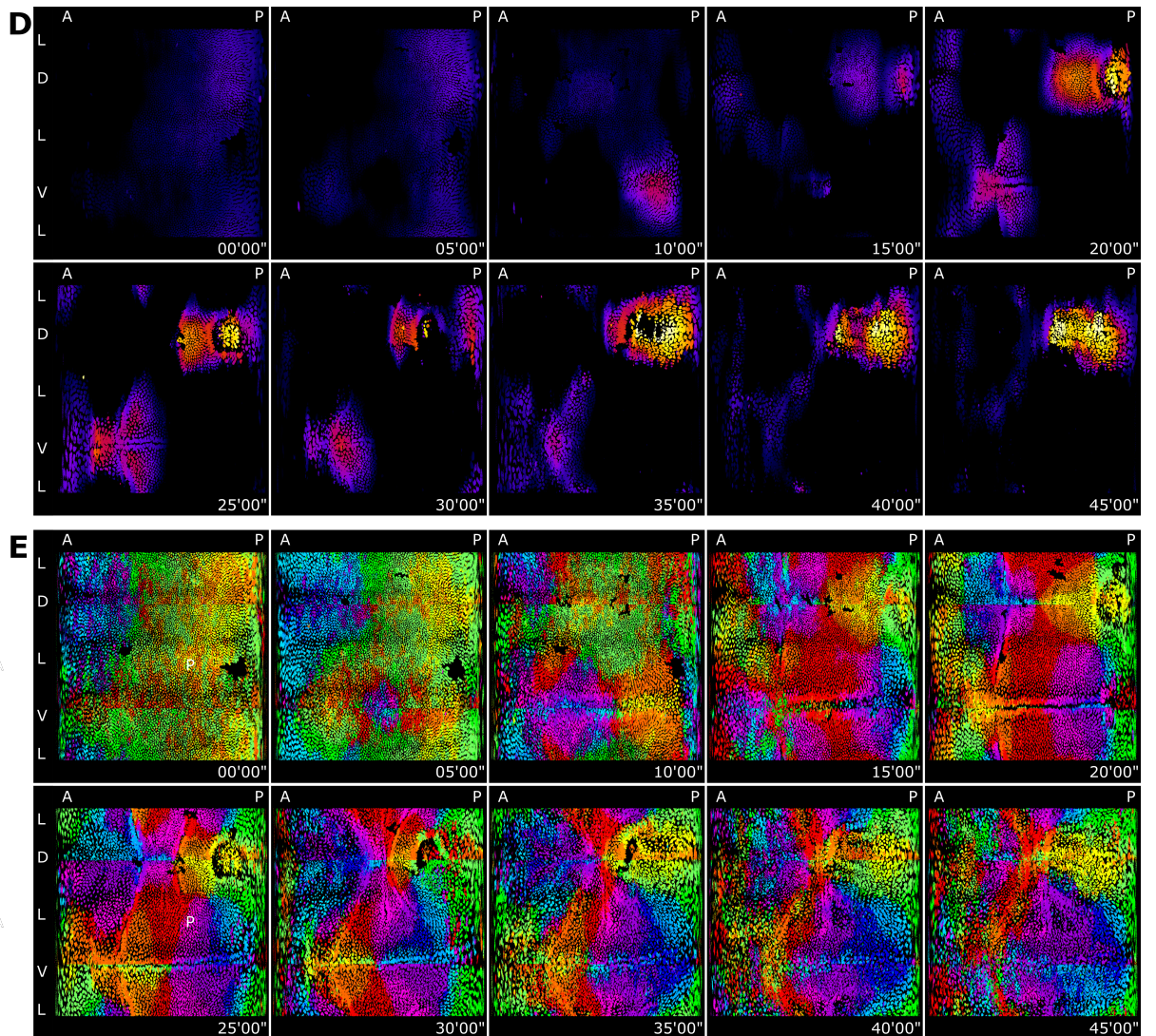


Figure 3.2: **Cell movement during germband extension** This figure shows the cell movement during germband extension using particle image velocimetry, as well as one speed and one direction based visualization. Panels **A-D** show the speed of the segmented nuclei using a heatmap, in **A** all directions, **B** anterior-posterior direction, **C** posterior and **D** anterior direction. Panel **E** shows the direction using a circle sector based spectrum visualization. At 0 minutes, there was neither directed nor fast movement as shown by the dark colors in **A-D** and random colors **E**. At 5 minutes the first movements in dorso-ventral direction could be observed at the ventral midline as shown by a significant label change in panels **A** and **E**. After 10 minutes, the movements of the ventral furrow invagination had significantly increased and involved now also anterior-posterior motion **A-E**. The anterior half of the ventral furrow moved in posterior direction **C**, while the posterior half moved in anterior direction **D**.

Figure 3.2: At 15 minutes, the ventral furrow became clearly visible as a deep invagination. At the same time the first germband extension movements could be seen as the anterior-posterior movements on the ventral side were switched **C-D** and the posterior pole started to move **A** and **E**. From 20-35 minutes germband extension accelerated and progressed at speeds partially above 10 microns/minute (white color in **A-D**). During this time germband extension was bidirectional on the ventral side **C** and **D**. At 40 and 45 minutes when the dorsal side was cramped **E**, the overall speed decreased **A** and ventral anterior germband extension faded **D**.

tracked nucleus. As the epithelium was tightly packed, confusion of neighboring nuclei was possible, which made a quality control necessary. Neighboring cells in the epithelium on the surface of the embryo are linked via elastic junctions [Clément et al., 2017], which meant that they should have remained in close proximity during the whole time, which on the other hand suggested, that their trajectories had to be parallel. These requirements were confirmed during tracking as it very soon became obvious that cells from similar origins had similar tracks regarding trajectory and velocity, and often also divided in similar areas. However the tracks were not often only similar, but rather parallel, which confirmed the expected high level of epithelial integrity, as neighboring cells remained in close proximity over the entire track length. This quality control allowed me also to cluster the cells into groups using a hierarchical classification with the following criteria:

1. Tracking area (Ventral, Dorsal, Lateral)
2. General anterior-posterior position (Head, Trunk)
3. Specific position and general heading (heading optional) (Dorsal, Lateral, Ventral, CF, VF, Pole cells)
4. Specific heading (optional) (Remaining, Dorsal, Lateral, Ventral, Anterior, Posterior)

I obtained a total number of 25 clusters, 9 from the ventral, 7 from the dorsal and 9 from the lateral tracking area (figure 3.4). All cells that were present at 5 minutes after onset of gastrulation (start of tracking) with a trajectory similar

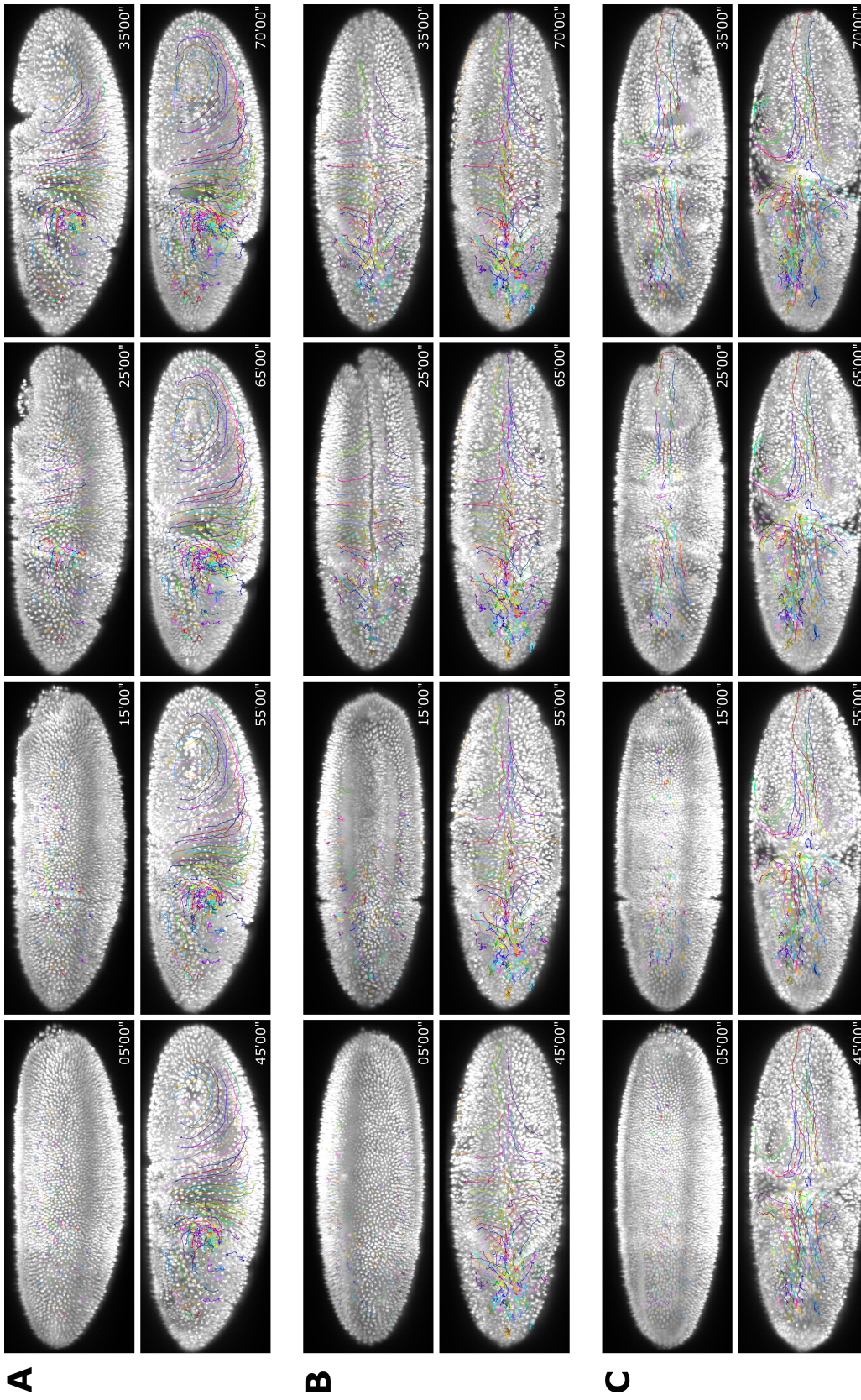
enough to other trajectories were assigned to one of the 25 groups. Daughter cells originating from mitosis, and cells which could not be assigned to a single group with enough confidence were omitted. In figure 3.5 all cells assigned to one of the 25 clusters are shown. Their track colors correspond to the colors in the classification scheme in figure 3.4.

I used these clusters to calculate average motion parameters for cells from the same region. In combination with the same parameters for the structures I was able to obtain a detailed *in toto* motion map of the Drosophila embryo (figure 3.6). This *in toto* motion map not only allowed the description of motion in the embryo, but it also allowed for the analysis of the timing of the individual motions with unprecedented precision.

3.3.2 Gastrulation is made up of highly integrated single movements

One of the common problems in analyzing Drosophila gastrulation is the tight coupling of events: everything seems to move at the same time, except for VF formation which has been described as the first process [Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997, Lye and Sanson, 2011]. So far, it was very hard to differentiate which cells or regions move first, which means that the question for the motors of gastrulation had no clear answer and was still open for speculation. Using the *in toto* motion map from the tracking I was able to highlight the regions of the embryo where the primary movement occurs, and even more to put all relevant tracked movements into a chronological order (figure 3.6). In order to do this I had to separate directed motion from background Brownian-like motion. I did this by defining a threshold of $1.2 \mu\text{m}/\text{min}$ (dotted line in figure 3.6 A). I defined this threshold using the information from the PIV analysis, which showed that in the first minutes of gastrulation, only the VF invagination took place. The other cells did not move in a certain direction at this time, but rather wobbled around, reaching velocities up to $1.1 \mu\text{m}/\text{min}$.

The first movement observed was VF invagination, as already predicted by the PIV analysis (figure 3.6 A). Around minute 12-13, VF invagination was followed



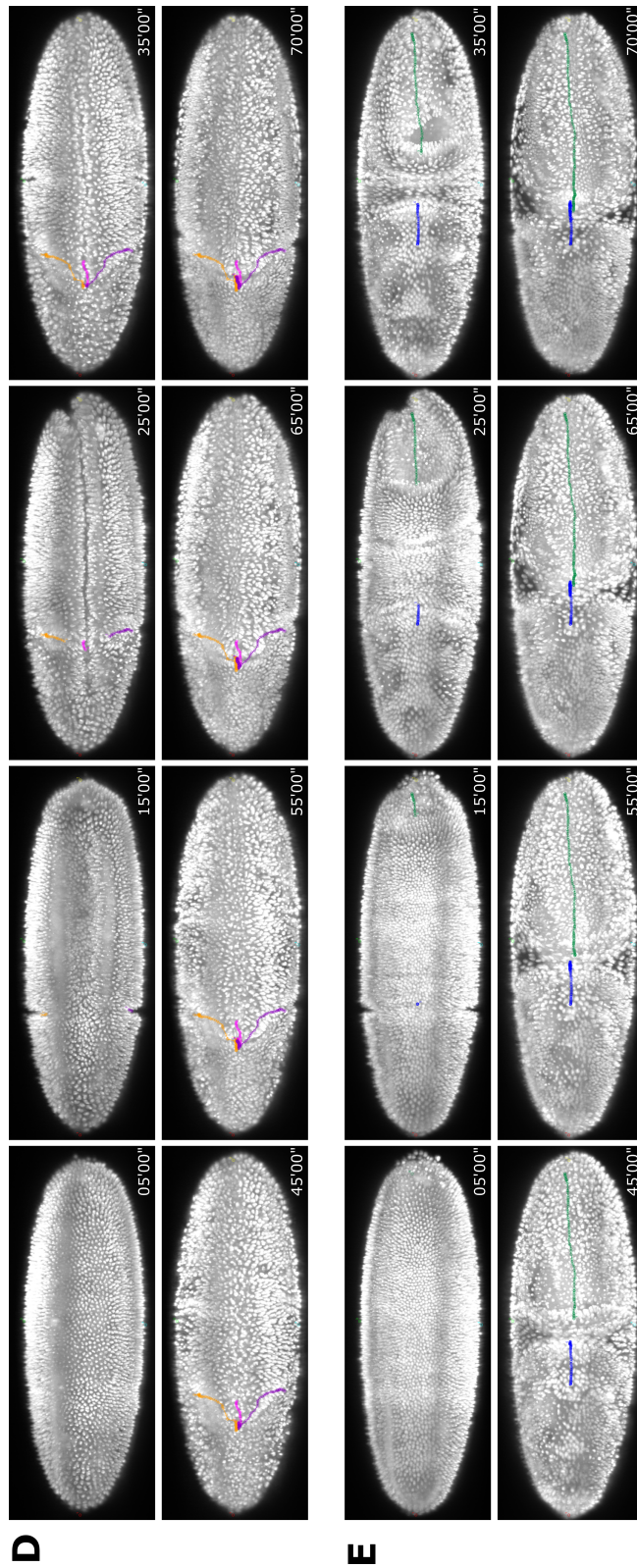


Figure 3.3: **Cell and structure tracks** Panels **A-C** depict the cell tracks tracked on the lateral, ventral and dorsal side. A total number (including mitosis) of 360 cells were tracked for a total time of 65 minutes starting at 5 minutes past the previously defined onset of gastrulation. Cell tracks were often parallel, especially on the lateral side **A**, in addition they were bilateral symmetric on the ventral and dorsal sides **B** and **C**. In panels **D** and **E** the following structure tracks are depicted: Germband extension progress (green), dorsal cephalic furrow (blue), ventral cephalic furrow (pink), lateral-ventral tips of the cephalic furrow (orange and purple).

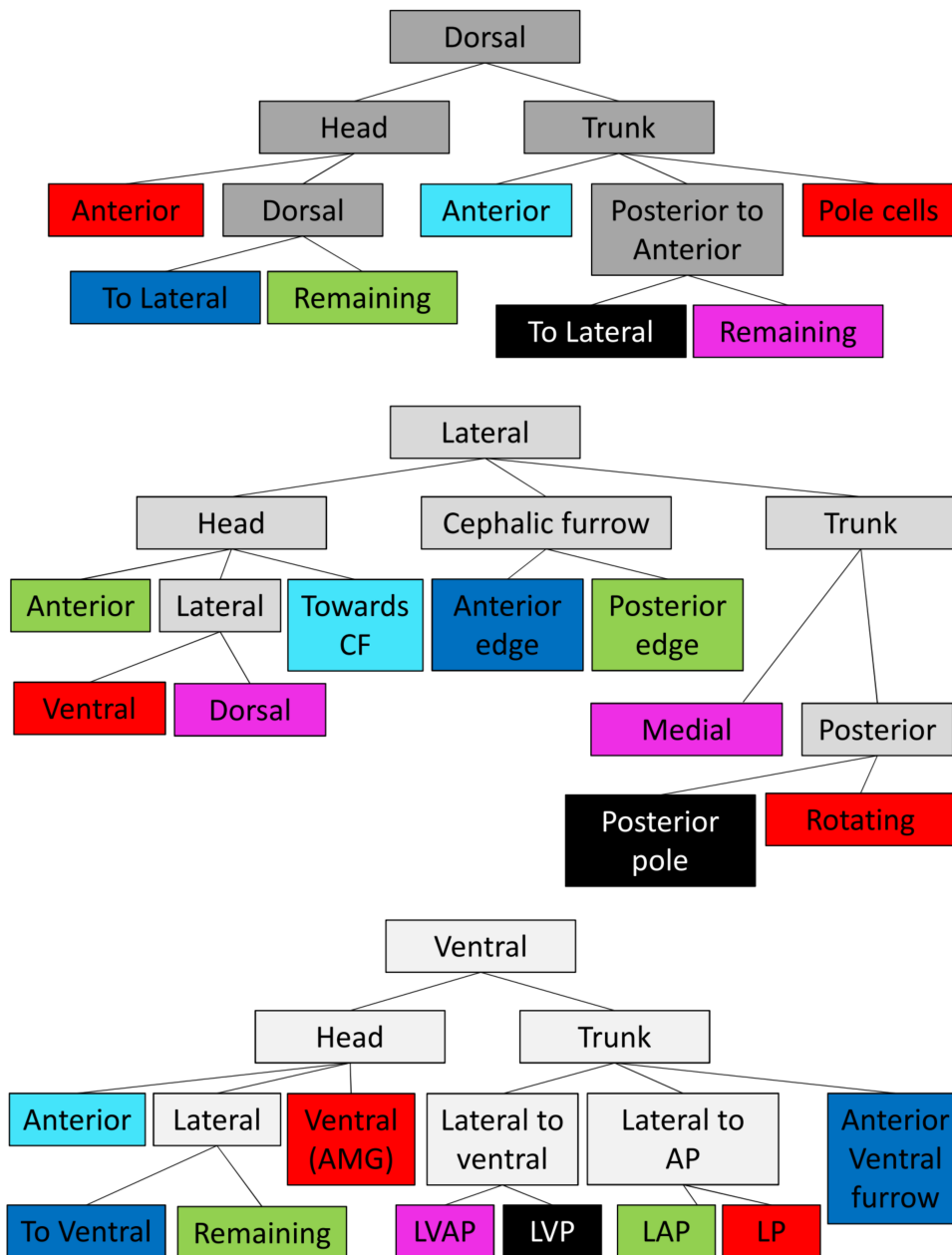


Figure 3.4: **Cell classification scheme** The majority of the tracked cells were classified into 1 of 25 clusters to allow for a more robust analysis. The classification was done using a flow chart like scheme with the following underlying criteria: Side of the embryo, coarse and fine cell origin as well as heading. The colored boxes depict the clusters. The tracks belonging to each cluster can be found in figure 3.5.

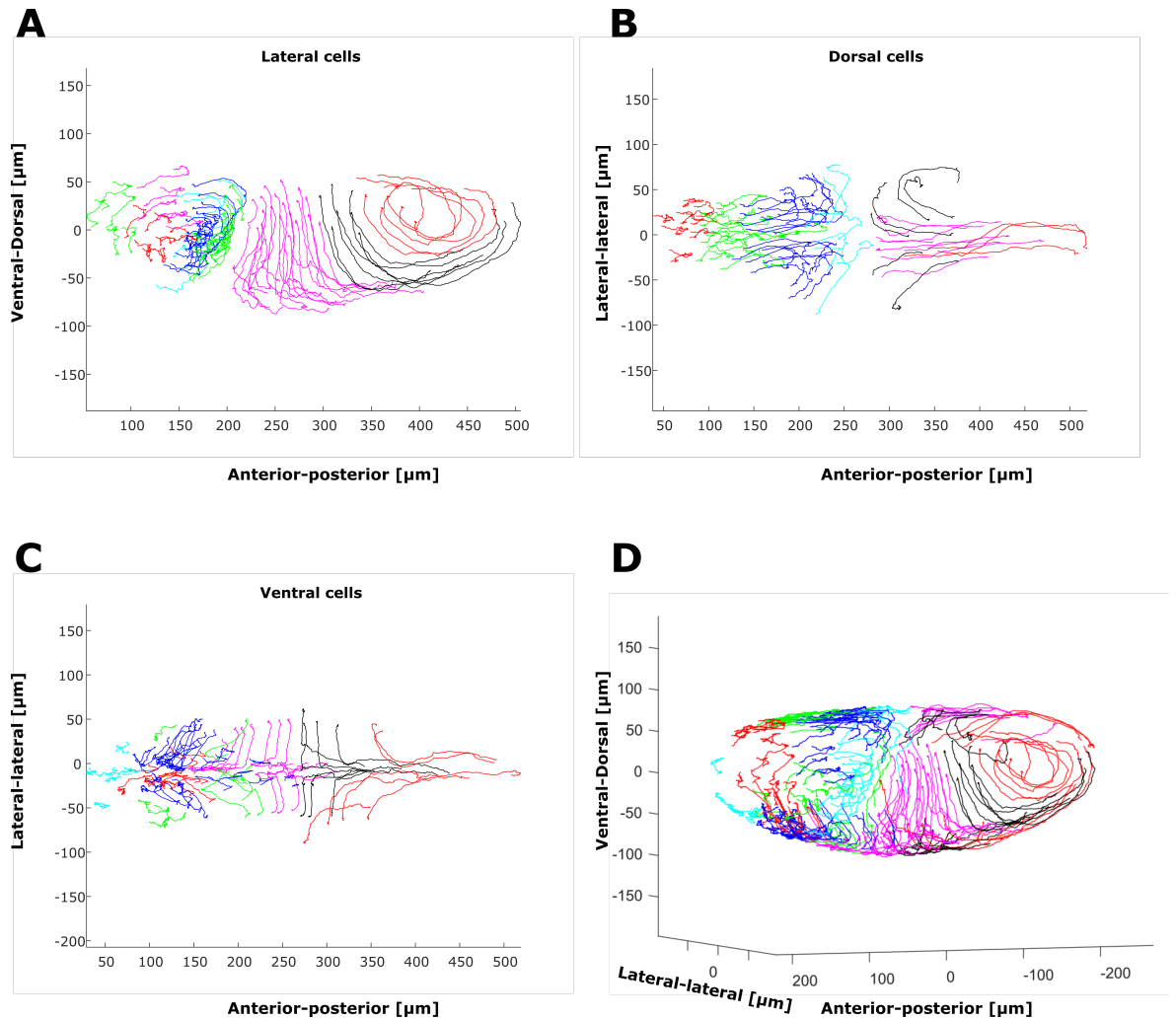


Figure 3.5: **Track clusters** Panels A-C depict the tracked cell trajectories of the clusters from figure 3.4 from the **A** lateral, **B** dorsal and **C** ventral side. Panel **D** depicts a 3D view of all clustered cells. Trajectories of one cluster were often parallel **A** or bilateral symmetric **B** and **C**.

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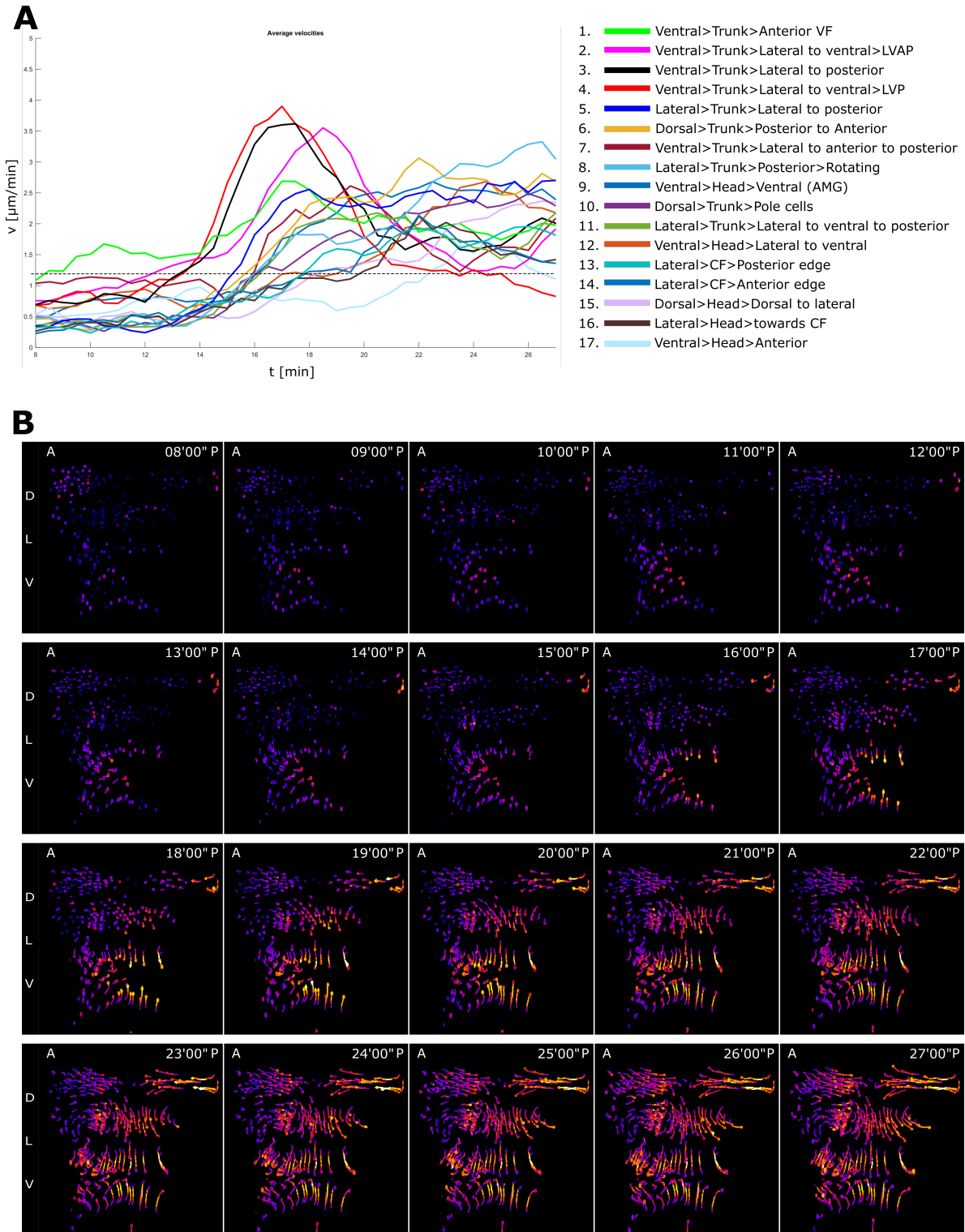


Figure 3.6: **Chronological gastrulation movements** Panel A depicts the cell velocities of selected clusters in the initial minutes of gastrulation. The legend next to the chart depicts a chronological list of these observed movements.

Figure 3.6: To separate relevant motion from background noise, a threshold was defined at $1.1 \mu\text{m}/\text{min}$. At first the ventral furrow invaginated, and was soon followed by surrounding ventro-lateral cells. After the ventral cells, the first lateral (5) and dorsal cells (6) followed. After these cells almost the whole embryo started to move. The head region was slightly delayed, and started its motion with the invagination of the anterior midgut (9). Panel **B** depicts the motion of the single cell tracks, using the same unrolled heatmap visualization as shown already in figure 3.2 A. Dark colors correspond to little or no velocities, whereas high velocities ($> 10 \mu\text{m}/\text{min}$) are labeled white.

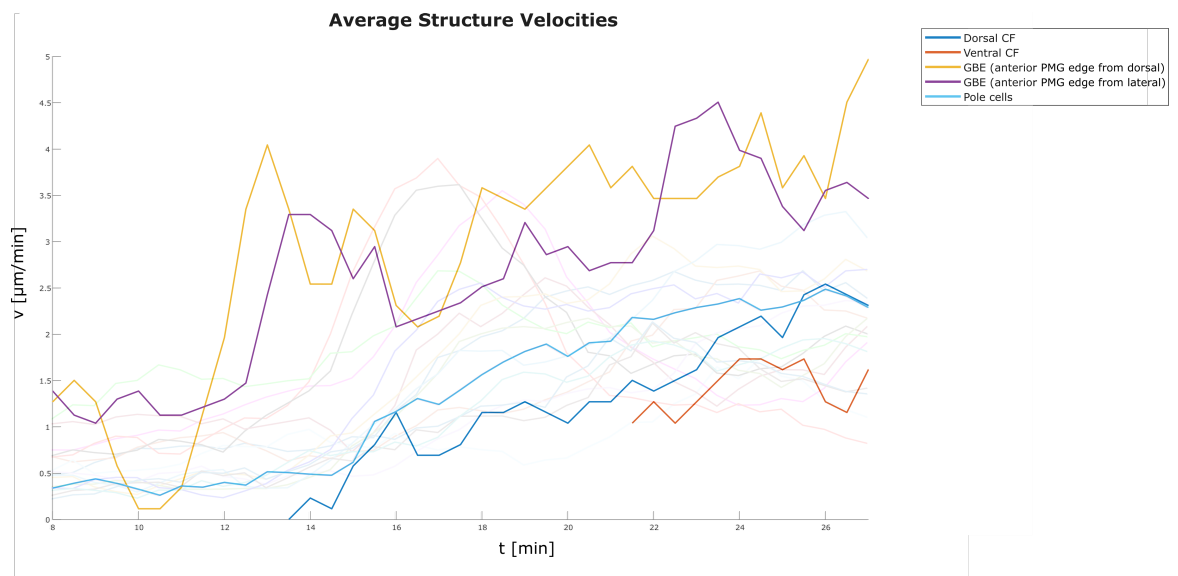


Figure 3.7: **Structure velocities** This figure depicts the structure velocities in the foreground, as well as the cell cluster velocities from figure 3.6 in the background. The progress of germband extension (measured at the anterior posterior midgut invagination edge) was tracked from the lateral and dorsal side (purple and yellow graphs). The dorsal and ventral cephalic furrow sides are depicted in blue and red. The pole cells are shown in light blue. The posterior midgut was the first structure showing motion and started to move directly after the first ventral furrow invagination movements. However, this movement decreased shortly afterwards, and in a subsequent step all structures, except the ventral cephalic furrow started accelerate at the same time when most of the cell clusters accelerated.

by 3 clusters of ventrally located cells. The cells of these clusters moved from their initial ventro-lateral positions, towards the ventral side and then to the anterior end with a consecutive u-turn towards the posterior end of the embryo (2), directly to the posterior (3) or first to the ventral side and then to the posterior end, skipping the anterior turn (4) (figure 3.6 A). After these ventral cells, with a delay of roughly 2 minutes, the first lateral cells, located at 60%–70% EL started moving in ventral and posterior direction (5) (figure 3.6 A). Almost immediately afterwards, cells on the posterior dorsal side of the embryo moved in the anterior direction (6). These cells depicted the first movement in only the AP-direction, a clear mark for the beginning of GBE. This movement was after less than half a minute followed by 5 groups of cells starting to move almost at the very same time: The first group of those 5 was located on the ventral side, directly posterior of the developing CF, and moved first in the anterior-ventral, and after turning around in the posterior-ventral and posterior direction (7) (figure 3.6 A). The second group of the 5 was made up of cells on the lateral side in the very posterior area of the embryo. These cells completed a full rotation, similar to the motion suggested in the modeled flow fields from [Dicko et al., 2017] (8) (figure 3.6 A). These rotating cells were followed by cells which invaginated in the AMG invagination, marking the first head movement (9). After the cells from the AMG invagination, the pole cells accelerated (10). However, the heatmap in figure 3.6 B shows that they already started moving very early albeit at a lower velocity. The last group of the 5 was a large group of cells in the medial lateral area, moving towards the ventral side and later towards the posterior end of the embryo (11) (figure 3.6 A). After 1-2 minutes, the next 4 groups of cells joined the already almost global motion. At first, cells from the ventro-lateral head area moved towards the ventral side, to join or possibly replace the cells from the AMG invagination (12). Directly afterwards, the cells in the anterior and posterior CF started to move with almost the same velocity (13+14) (figure 3.6 A). As last of this 4 groups, cells in the dorsal head region moved in posterior direction towards the CF and then continued in lateral direction (15). This movement was followed after half a minute by cells located in the lateral head, which moved towards the CF (16) and after further 2 minutes

by cells in the ventral anterior tip of the head which moved slightly dorsal (17) (figure 3.6). Figure 3.6 B shows the same data using heatmap colored tracks in an unrolled embryo, similar to figure 3.2. Using the insights gained from the previous analysis, I was able to address the above raised question concerning the "motors" of gastrulation, mainly GBE, a question that has received quite some attention in recent years. My data showed that the first movement in the gastrulating embryo, the VF invagination, was first followed by ventro-lateral cells moving in the ventral direction, and only later by cells moving in the AP direction (group 3 from figure 3.6 also depicts a significant ventral motion vector, see figure 3.5). These cells were then followed by lateral cells (5) switching from an initial DV movement towards an AP directed movement. Finally with group (6) cells only moving in the AP direction started to accelerate. This AP-movement was likely propelled by the PMG invagination, which is, like the VF invagination, an apical constriction dependent invagination, producing extremely strong forces [Sweeton et al., 1991, Collinet et al., 2015]. However, another possible hypothesis could be that cells were propelled by the rotation of the CF. To confirm or reject the above raised hypothesis, I used the structure tracks, of the following interest points (figure 3.7)

- Dorsal cephalic furrow
- Ventral cephalic furrow
- Posterior midgut invagination / Germband extension at the anterior PMG edge (dorsally tracked)
- Posterior midgut invagination / Germband extension at the anterior PMG edge (laterally tracked)

To complement these structure tracks, I added the tracks from the pole cells (figure 3.7). The onset of PMG invagination came very early during gastrulation, with a first visible movement at 12 minutes after onset of gastrulation, lasting for 4 minutes. This motion started around 4 minutes after the first motion of mesoderm invagination and 2 minutes before the first ventro-lateral cells followed the initial

mesoderm cells (figure 3.7). At 16 minutes past onset of gastrulation the velocity of GBE started to increase with a constant acceleration (pitch of the plot) together with multiple cell clusters moving in the AP and DV direction, including the pole cells. Around the same time, the dorsal CF also started to move in posterior direction (figure 3.7). All these movements suggested that gastrulation became global at this time point. However, one process was still missing: the ventral CF, which was not even developed yet, started to move only 5 minutes later (figure 3.7). This finding excluded the CF as motor of GBE, but even more it put into question the often described picture of the CF as a planar and stable structure.

These results in context with published data suggested that the initial GBE movements in the trunk depended on 2 processes involving apical constriction: VF and PMG invagination. However as GBE seemed to be, at least in the initial phase, bidirectional, and the pull of the PMG invagination was in the posterior direction an anterior directed force was still missing. Interestingly the first movement in the head I observed was the AMG invagination. This brought me to the conclusion that the AMG invagination might be responsible for the pull of the germband in the anterior direction, just as the PMG invagination is responsible for the pull in the posterior direction [Collinet et al., 2015].

3.3.3 Epithelial integrity in the cephalic furrow is maintained

I showed above the motion of cells in context with surrounding structures on the surface of the embryo, however, the question for the behavior of cells inside these structures still remained open. I did not know yet whether cells inside a structure like the CF remained part of the surface epithelium or whether their properties changed as soon as they were inside, leading to a behavior as one object / furrow independent of the epithelium. In figure 3.3 I showed that most of the tracks were parallel suggesting a very high level of epithelial integrity on the surface of the embryo. However to assess the difference between epithelial integrity on the surface and in the CF I required a quantitative analysis. Therefore I used a custom made solution based on triangles. These triangles were assigned at the first tracked time point (5 minutes past onset of gastrulation) and monitored over the entire

track length for 2 parameters: the triangle area (A) and the circumscribed circle diameter (CCD) (figure 3.8). Both parameters, and especially their combination reveal shape and size changes of the triangles without being limited to a single point like an angle. The assignment of the triangles was done via a visual inspection of the tracks, based on objective parameters like nearest neighbor and triangle shape, but also on subjective parameters like experience.

I used the triangles on cells from both the anterior and posterior edge of the CF. As ground truth for a surface epithelium, I used on the one hand the lateral medial region of the embryo's trunk. These cells moved first in the ventral and later in the posterior direction, therefore accounting for the direction change of the CF cells, which moved first in the AP and later in the DV direction. On the other hand I used cells from the dorsal head region, which moved shortly in the AP direction, but remained in their original region. These dorsal head cells were part of a mitotic domain, and accounted for the mitosis present in the CF.

Over the tracked 65 minutes, the average area of the triangles of all regions roughly doubled (figure 3.8 C). The same was true for the CCD (figure 3.8 D). Both of the parameters, the area and the CCD proved to be very noisy, and did not show any significant differences between the surface and the CF. These findings suggested that the CF remained the whole time part of the epithelium, as already suggested by the fact that the CF unfolds during later embryogenesis without leaving any traces behind [Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997].

My analyses of cell behavior supports the current understanding that the epithelium inside the CF is maintained. They also showed that the CF is probably not a motor of GBE. I could not detect evidence for a specific CF-surface interaction nor any indication for involvement in the speed up of GBE, suggesting that the CF does not act as a motor of GBE.

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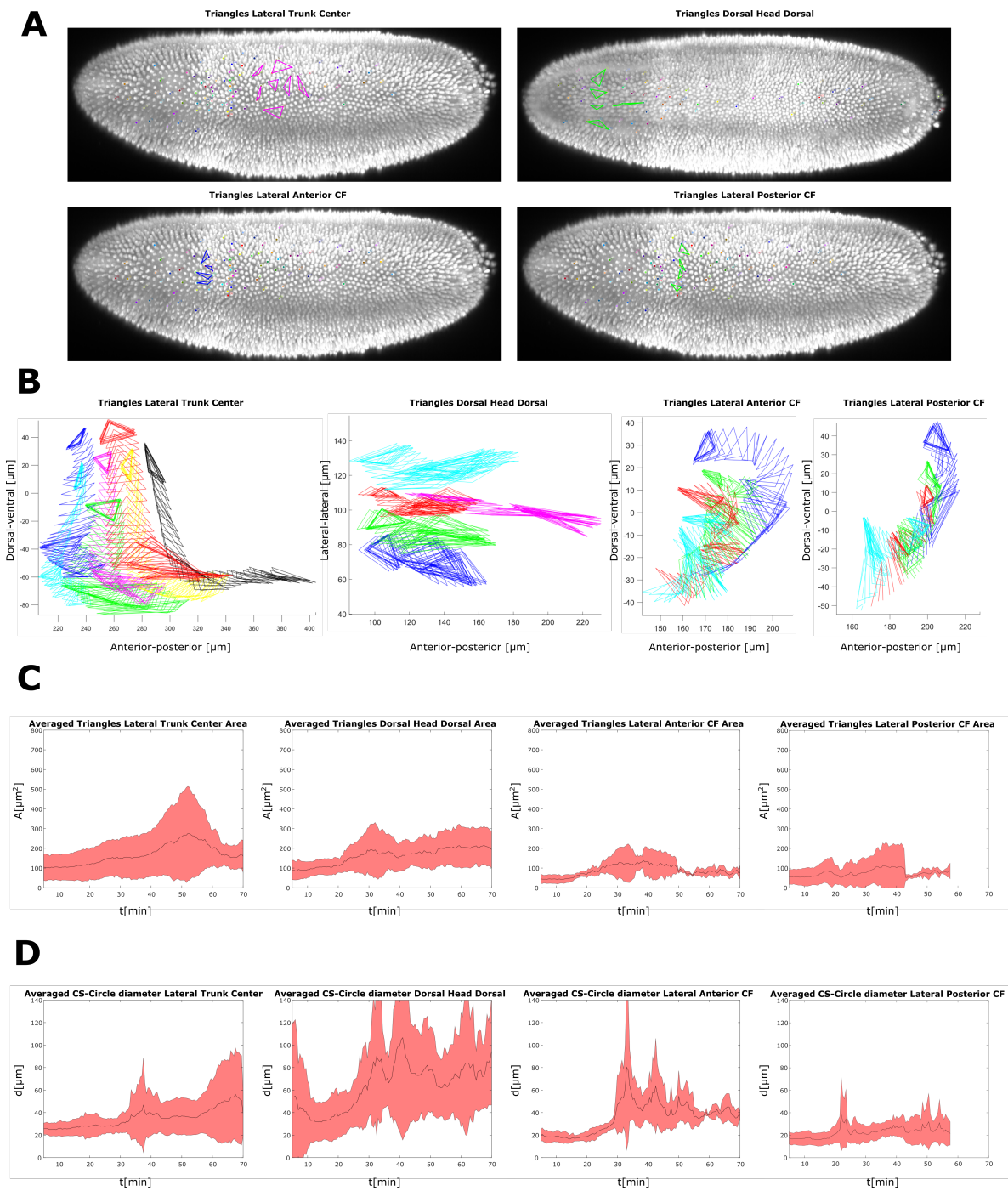


Figure 3.8: **Epithelial integrity was maintained in the cephalic furrow**
 Panel A depicts the chosen triangles for each of the 4 analyzed tracking clusters on a lateral maximum intensity projection. Two of them were surface clusters, one from the lateral trunk area, and one from the dorsal head region, the other two were the anterior and posterior cephalic furrow edges, invaginating in the embryo.

Figure 3.8: Panel **B** shows the location of the triangles over time. All triangle trajectories showed a high order, there was no overtaking and the trajectories were mainly parallel. In panel **C** and **D** the area and the circumscribed circle diameter are depicted. Besides the high noise shown by these parameters, no obvious differences were found, showing that epithelial integrity was maintained on, as well as below, the surface.

3.4 The cephalic furrow in context of germband extension

As epithelial fold, the CF maintained epithelial properties. While not surprising, this finding highlighted a challenge for embryo-wide morphogenesis. The CF is formed in an area where anterior vortex-like cell movement and poster straight cell movement were located in close proximity. Here, straight and circular motion vectors could be found next to each other. Like in other contexts, the coinciding but opposing movements are likely to produce shearing forces. Furthermore, these shearing forces are likely to increase in case GBE velocities are as high as it is the case in *D. melanogaster*. My observation of very high epithelial integrity in spite of predicted shearing forces, indicated the existence of a tension-release mechanism that prevented the tissue from otherwise inevitable rupture.

3.4.1 Defining the cephalic furrow as object

To test whether the CF was a structure that had the potential to handle increased shearing forces stemming from high-speed GBE, I first defined and analyzed CF properties as a single multicellular object. For the handling of such shearing forces the CF will require certain reproducible features. As its proposed function is of mechanical nature, certain characteristics concerning mechanical robustness will have to be present. To test whether these requirements were fulfilled, I selected a set of features that were most suitable to reflect the mechanical properties and robustness of a furrow:

1. **Depth:** The depth of a furrow seems to be directly linked to rigidity, having

a role similar to the material thickness of a piece of metal.

2. **Deformation (planarity):** The deformation of a furrow is a direct measure for the above mentioned rigidity. In the case of the CF which resembles a conic section, the deformation can be measured via its planarity.
3. **Translocation (rotation angle):** The larger or deeper the furrow the more force is likely required to translocate its position. This is however a more indirect measure, as some translocational process such as rotation might be more favorable than others like linear displacements.
4. **Extension (circumference):** The extension of a furrow is a similar measure to its depth, just in another dimension. For the CF the completion in % of the embryo circumference is another measure for its rigidity.

I analyzed the first 3 features in fixed embryos which allowed for a higher sample number than SPIM to account for reproducibility. It appeared, that the CF was still growing deeper during the early phase of germband extension. To be able to use the results despite this issue I used GBE progress as time marker. I found that the depth of the CF increased proportional with GBE progress (figure 3.9 A). The angle between the CF and the AP axis was between 65° and 75° before or shortly after the onset of GBE. During GBE this angle dropped to a value between 50° and 60° (figure 3.9 B). The planarity of the CF remained at a very good level at the onset of GBE, but later dropped to a slightly lower level (see spread in y -direction, figure 3.9 C or S-shape, figure 3.1 A). Important to note was the consistency of this data among the individuals. The small number of outliers (especially figure 3.9 C) can be explained by issues fitting the plane.

As closely related *Drosophila* species and even populations of *D. melanogaster* can be found in a variety of habitats with varying environmental conditions [Kuntz and Eisen, 2014], I tested whether these features were robust against global stress. I moved eggs after deposition to $29^\circ C$ and analyzed the embryos for the same parameters. I found a slight, but rather irrelevant change in all parameters (3.9 A'-C'). These results showed that the CF was quite robust and did not show too much variation, even at $29^\circ C$.

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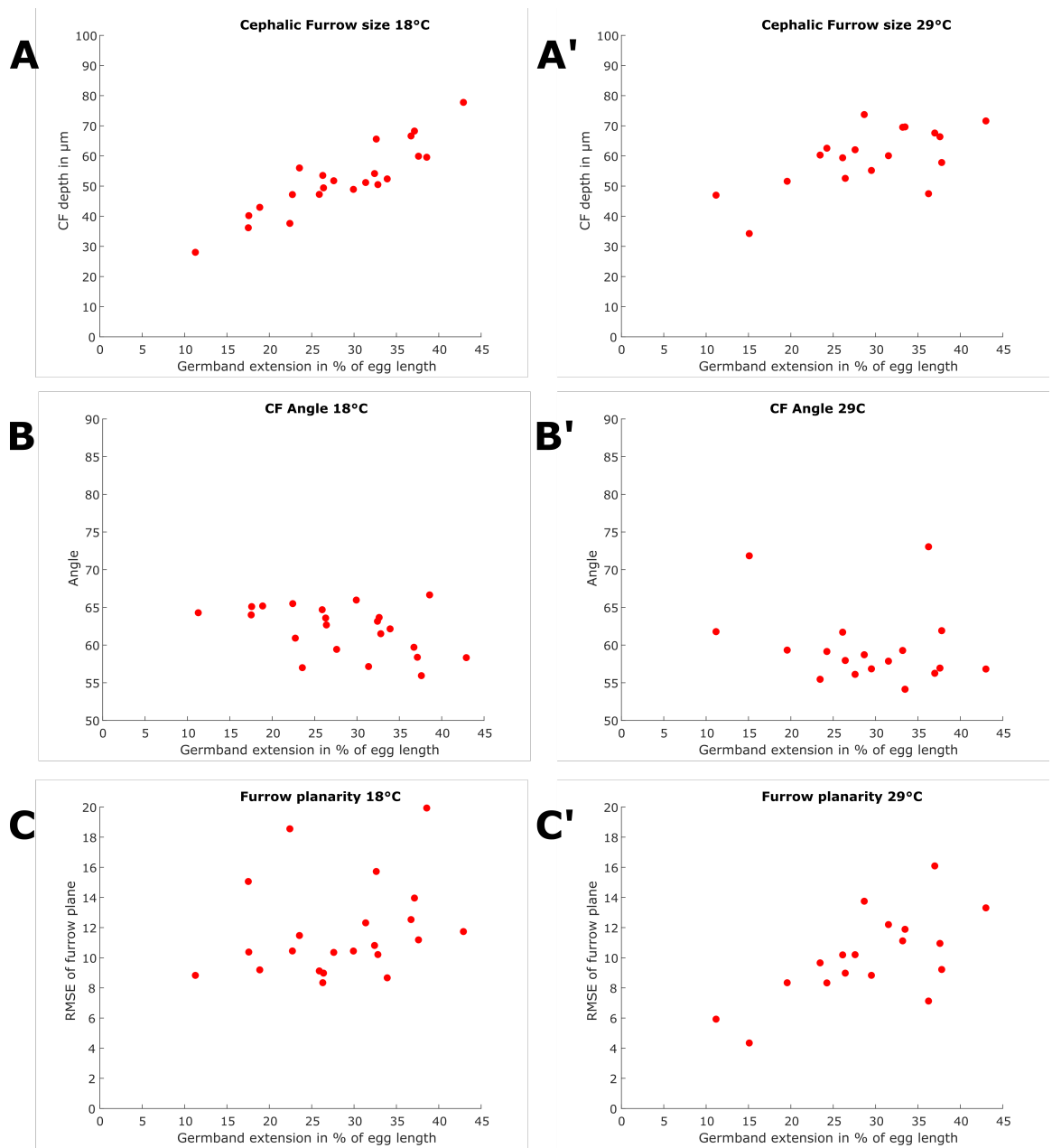


Figure 3.9: **Cephalic furrow parameters** Panels A-C show depth, the angle (between cephalic furrow and anterior-posterior axis) and the planarity of the cephalic furrow for embryos developed at 18° C and 29° C. All these 3 parameters were dependent on the progress of germband extension. Their temperature dependence was however low, indicating a temperature independence of the cephalic furrow.

3.4.2 The difference between the inner and outer cephalic furrow

To find out whether the CF could handle the shearing forces occurring during germband extension between the head and trunk region I needed to get a more detailed picture of it. My previous analyses showed that the cells in the CF were highly motile. I required a detailed analysis of this motion to find similarities, pinpointing epithelial integrity, and differences, pinpointing shear and associated mechanisms, between the anterior and posterior edges. Because the CF did not show distortion at its surface, I speculated that the solution is rather hidden in the inner structure of the CF. This assumption was in particular based on three reasons: 1. As epithelial integrity was maintained in 2D, its limitations were also valid for 2 dimensions, but might not be valid in a third dimension. 2. During tracking I had the impression that I could observe tissue faults deep inside the CF. This observation was consistent with the shear handling hypothesis. 3. Any features and the structure of the CF close to the surface had already been quite well investigated without major findings [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Vincent et al., 1997, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997, Spencer et al., 2015].

In a first experiment I analyzed the velocities of the cells in the the anterior and posterior edge of the CF. The overall velocity (scalar) did not show any significant differences (figure 3.10 A); the DV velocity (vector) showed minor differences at the beginning of GBE (figure 3.10 B). However this can be explained by the rotating movement in the CF area and of the CF itself, as vectors on a circular track are highly position dependent. From these results, it looked like the anterior and posterior CF edges were tightly coupled, as expected for an epithelium. It seemed like the shear force handling was not velocity based.

However, considering the internal faults, I observed deep in the CF, shear stress handling could well be based on a 3 dimensional structure invisible from the outside. To test this possibility I had to do a full analysis of invagination, including anterior and posterior velocity vectors in detail, and the structure of the CF over the course of GBE. Furthermore, as shear stress handling required flexibility in the

AP- and DV-direction, I required an analysis which could show motion in these two directions simultaneously and in the best case analyze epithelial integrity at the same time, to confirm that shear stress handling is executed by the mechanisms found, and not a sudden change in epithelial integrity.

I used the triangle analysis I introduced above (figure 3.8), as it fulfilled all these criteria. This time I defined the triangles either between one anterior, and two posterior CF nuclei or the other way round between two anterior and one posterior nucleus (figure 3.11 A). The triangle parameters, the area and the CCD showed neither any significant increase over time, nor much noise (figure 3.11 C). This finding was very interesting, as it seemed to show that even between the anterior and posterior sides of the CF the epithelium was strongly conserved. However, the triangles themselves showed a very different behavior; all of them turned from their initial parallel surface orientation to a perpendicular orientation towards the surface, where the posterior cells were located deeper inside the embryo than the anterior cells (figure 3.11 B). These results showed that the CF in the tested embryo invaginated asymmetrically. In addition, the triangle positions were not conserved in the DV-direction, as the cells of some triangles, which were originally more dorsally located, ended up more ventrally than the cells of other more ventrally located triangles. This loss of DV-positioning was possibly a result of the internal tissue faults. The triangles also made those internal faults visible, as they were represented in the trajectories of the triangles.

To sum up, I found that invagination in the CF was asymmetric in the AP-direction and the original DV-positioning was not maintained, possibly because of internal faults. These findings illustrated that the properties valid for 2D epithelia might not necessarily be valid for a 3D epithelium. These results were consistent with my hypothesis, as the CF seemed to provide the flexibility in both AP- and DV-direction necessary for the handling of shearing forces.

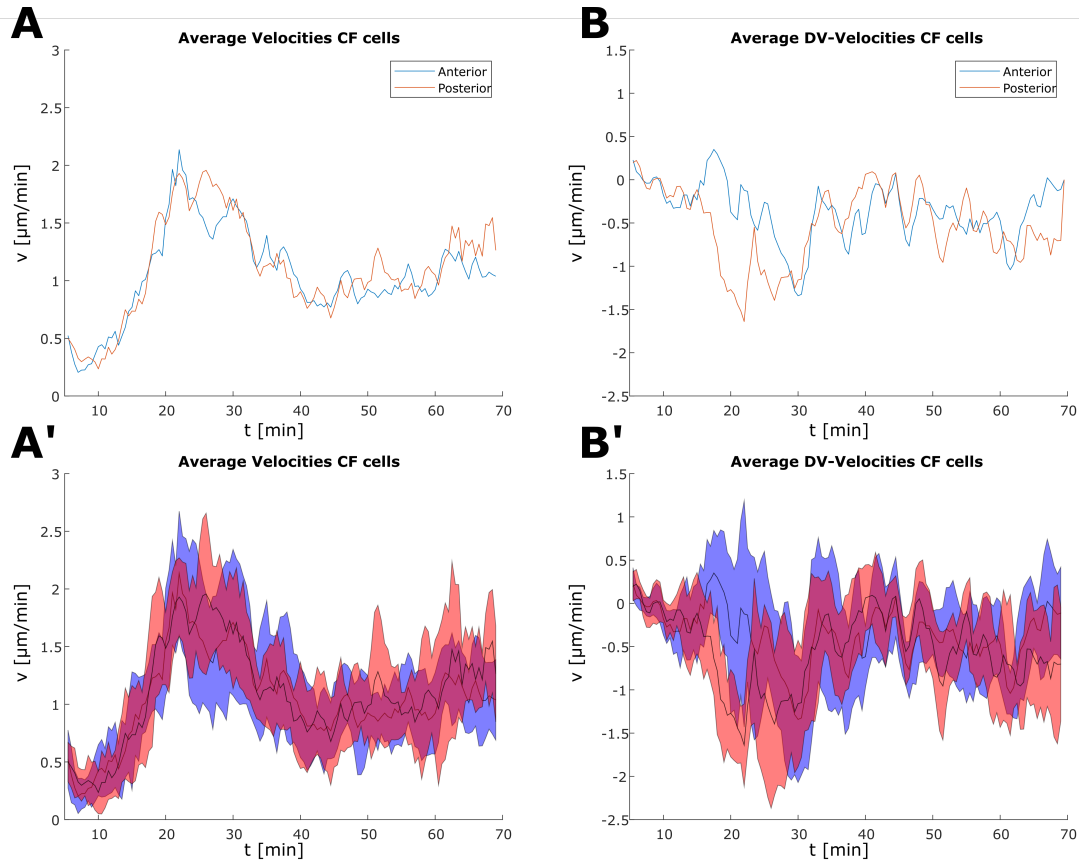


Figure 3.10: **Cephalic edge cell velocities** The velocities of the anterior and posterior cephalic furrow edges are shown here for **A** and **A'** all directions as scalar, and **B** and **B'** in dorso-ventral directions as vector (negative values: ventral direction, positive values: dorsal direction). Except for a larger difference at the onset of germband extension where the anterior cells moved more in the posterior direction, while the posterior cells moved already in the ventral direction, the velocities were rather similar.

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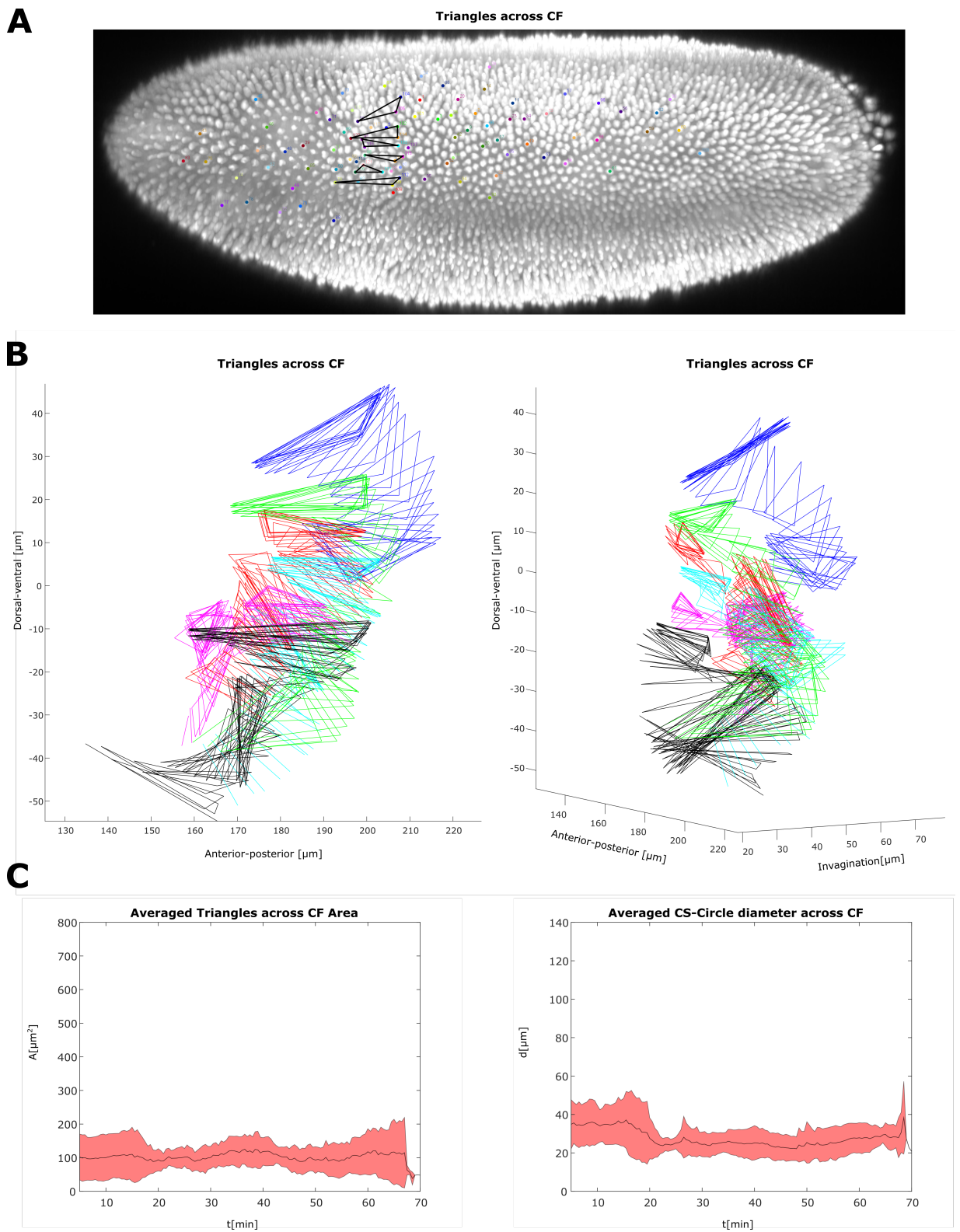


Figure 3.11: **The cephalic furrow modulated epithelial integrity**

Here, the triangle analysis was repeated for triangles connecting cells from the anterior and posterior cephalic furrow edges. Panel **A** depicts the defined triangles on the embryo surface. In Panel **B** 3D plots of the triangles over time are shown. In contrast to the previous triangle analysis, the cells of some triangles passed by the other ones although the triangle parameters were very steady over the whole time **C**. In addition the triangles turned by 90° as the posterior cells moved below the anterior cells **B**. This behavior fitted my observation of internal faults deep inside the cephalic furrow and suggested a certain flexibility in the anterior-posterior and dorso-ventral direction. It appeared that the limits of a 2D epithelium could be overcome by the cephalic furrow via creating a 3D epithelium.

3.5 The posterior dorsal fold in context of germband extension

Besides the CF another deep transient fold exists in the *Drosophila* embryo. The posterior DF is located at 66% EL and forms during GBE [Turner and Mahowald, 1977, Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. During GBE it deepens rapidly [Wang et al., 2013] and its tips extend symmetrically on a curved trajectory into the direction of the germband fold [Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997, Ingham, 1994]. The function of the posterior DF is also unknown. Interestingly my tracks (figure 3.3) showed that the posterior DF was located in between cells whose trajectory was mainly dorso-ventral and lateral-posterior, and cells whose trajectory was a complete circle very much like the vortex proposed in the model from [Dicko et al., 2017] and similar to the region where the CF is located. Such a region where straight moving cells and cells in a vortex are next to each other, raises again the question how the different velocity vectors are handled with respect to shear and epithelial integrity. Could the posterior DF handle the shear associated with such cell movement by extending the epithelium into a third dimension, similar to what I proposed and observed for the CF?

3.5.1 Defining the posterior dorsal fold as object

Before I answered this question I asked the same question as for the CF before: Is the posterior DF mechanically stable enough to execute a given plausible mechanical function? Again I used fixed embryos to increase my sample numbers and used 18° C and 29° C as temperature conditions, to account for normal and more extreme living conditions. I measured the depth and extension of the posterior DF. It did not make sense to measure the angle or planarity, as the posterior DF did not represent a plane. The size of the posterior DF was similar to that of the CF, though there was a slight increase in size (depth and extension) at 29° C (figure 3.9 and figure 3.14).

Judging from the parameters it looked like the posterior DF was robust enough for a functional consideration. To see whether the cell movement in the posterior DF could provide hints for its function, I tracked cells from the dorsal midline area of the embryo, following them through the posterior DF. I did this experiment in a first attempt in the tracked embryo shown in the above sections, however, I realized very soon, that the invagination speed of the posterior DF was extremely high, which made me lose all tracked cells as soon as they were invaginated. In order to complete this experiment, I required a second *D. melanogaster* embryo, with superior imaging quality, as a better imaging quality can make up for a lack in temporal resolution. I used a nuclei marker emitting light in the infrared spectrum, which allowed for high quality imaging deep inside the embryo (Hufnagel, unpublished).

Cells which invaginated in the posterior DF on the dorsal side of the embryo resurfaced and left the posterior DF or came at least very close to the surface. These cells were at a first glance indistinguishable from cells which moved in the same direction, but stayed on the surface the whole time (figure 3.13). The posterior DF looked from this experiment very much like a measure for the evacuation of the dorsal epithelium, which was consistent with previous findings [Turner and Mahowald, 1977]. However, on the other hand I observed the same phenomenon for the CF. This brought up 2 possible hypotheses:

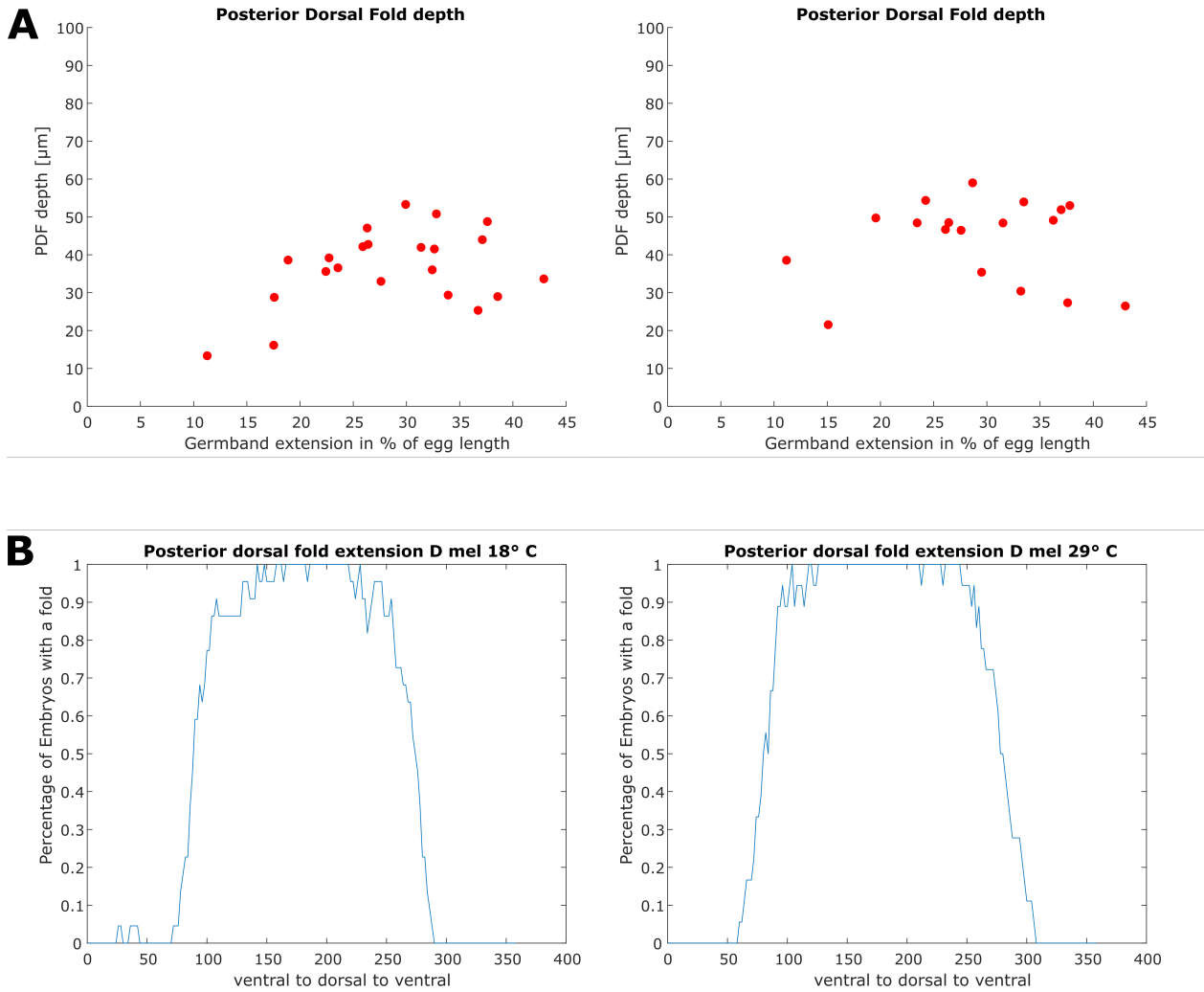


Figure 3.12: **The posterior dorsal fold**

Panels **A** and **B** depict the depth and extension of the posterior dorsal fold, similar parameters to those shown already for the cephalic furrow. It can be seen that at a higher temperature the posterior dorsal fold increased by a small amount in extension, while the depth remained almost unchanged. In general the posterior fold seemed to be robust, even at high temperature differences.

1. The posterior DF acts as a way for cells to exit from the cramped dorsal midline to the lateral sides, thereby making space for the extending germband, a loss of this transport capacity could lead to increased resistance on the dorsal midline. As a result GBE might be impaired.
2. The posterior DF acts as mechanical clutch to handle shear stress in a way similar to that which I hypothesized for the CF, a reduction in fold depth would likely limit these capabilities. This could possibly lead to ruptures in the epithelium or other phenotypes promoting the release of tension.

3.5.2 Germband extension is disturbed in embryos with a shallow posterior dorsal fold

Since my tracks showed that the posterior DF seemed to be tightly integrated into the cellular motion during GBE (figure 3.13), I wanted to test whether the motion dynamics during GBE got disturbed when the posterior DF was altered. Luckily, it has been shown recently, that a knockout of the GTPase activating protein Rapgap1 reduces the depth of the posterior DF in *Drosophila* to the depth of the anterior DF [Wang et al., 2013]. Using these *D. melanogaster* Rapgap1 knockout embryos, I had a simple way to test my hypothesis. At first I had to prove the consistency of the posterior DF size for the *D. melanogaster* Rapgap1 mutant, using the same analysis as already used for *D. melanogaster*. To reduce the work load (all furrows had to be tracked manually = 2h per embryo) I decided to stick with 29° C as mechanical perturbations were more likely to occur at higher developmental speeds, present at higher temperatures [Kuntz and Eisen, 2014]. As expected, the furrow depth and extension of the posterior DF were significantly reduced in the *D. melanogaster* Rapgap1 mutant.

While I analyzed (tracked) the furrows of these embryos it soon became obvious, that the *D. melanogaster* Rapgap1 mutant embryos had severe problems with maintaining a straight GBE. Their germbands deviated from the ventral and dorsal midlines, or in very severe cases twisted around the embryo. As a result I obtained embryos without clearly identifiable dorsal and ventral sides (figure

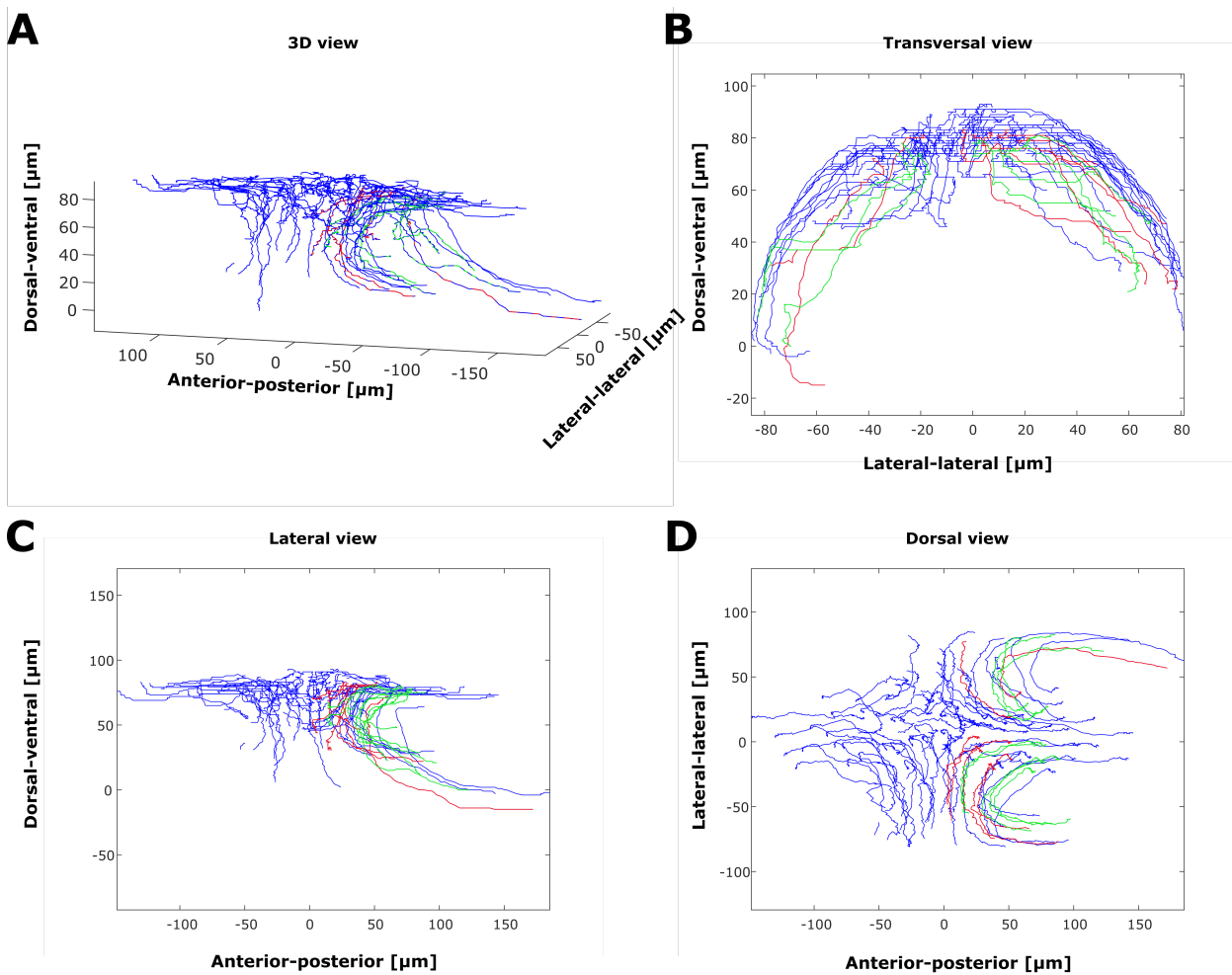


Figure 3.13: **Tracks in the posterior dorsal fold**

Cells in the posterior dorsal fold and surrounding areas were tracked in a second embryo using the same methods as described above. Panel **A** shows a 3D view of all tracked cells. Anterior edge cells were kept in red, posterior edge cells in green, and surrounding cells were labeled in blue. Panels **B-D** show the same cells in a transversal, lateral and dorsal view. Cells in or outside the posterior dorsal fold were indistinguishable at a first glance, suggesting that cells in the dorsal folds behave in a very similar way as surface cells.

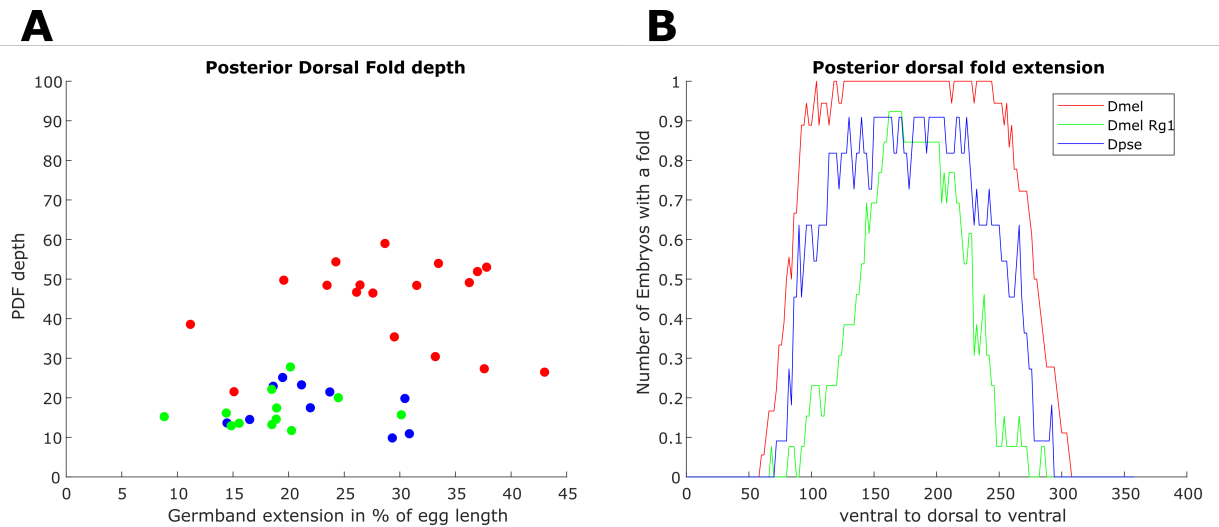


Figure 3.14: **Posterior dorsal fold sizes**

At 29° C the posterior dorsal fold in *D. melanogaster* wildtype embryos was twice as deep as in *D. melanogaster* Rapgap1 mutant and *D. pseudoobscura* wildtype embryos **A**. The fold depths of *D. melanogaster* Rapgap1 mutant and *D. pseudoobscura* wildtype embryos were very similar **A**.. The posterior dorsal fold was most extended in *D. melanogaster* wildtype embryos and least extended in *D. melanogaster* Rapgap1 mutant embryos. However *D. melanogaster* Rapgap1 mutant and *D. pseudoobscura* wildtype embryos did not correlate as well as for the depth **B**.

3.15). I quantified the amount of twisted GBE in all embryos using a custom made method (see section 5.2.2). I found that embryos which developed a shallow posterior DF, namely *D. melanogaster* Rapgap1 embryos, had significantly more, and more severe, twists (figure 3.15 C+D). It seemed that the manipulation of a fold with a possible mechanical function could severely disturb embryo development. However it was difficult to judge where the observed effect of twisted GBE came from. The twisted embryos did not reveal how this twist originated.

To confirm that the observed effect was the result of a reduced depth of the posterior DF, I decided to analyze *D. pseudoobscura* embryos which also have a small posterior DF (personal communication in the lab). This allowed me to check the effect of a reduced posterior DF depth, using 2 independent approaches. I did the same consistency analysis as before to check for the variability of the posterior DF size (figure 3.14). I found that the posterior DF in *D. pseudoobscura* embryos was very similar to the posterior DF in *D. melanogaster* Rapgap1 mutant embryos. My next question was whether this reduced fold depth also had the same effect on GBE. Indeed, I observed very similar effects considering quality and quantity of the twisted germbands 3.15 C+D). Interestingly, I had the impression (without considering the twisted germbands), that the *D. melanogaster* Rapgap1 knockout embryos looked more similar to *D. pseudoobscura* embryos, than to *D. melanogaster* wildtype embryos. To check whether this impression was true or not, I measured several parameters in all embryos. I found that not only the depth of the posterior DF was altered in Rapgap1 knockout embryos, but also their posterior midgut changed to a *D. pseudoobscura* like phenotype, which was the reason why they looked like *D. pseudoobscura* embryos (figure 3.16).

To conclude, I found that a shallow posterior DF promoted twisted GBE. I was however not able to see exactly how this twisted GBE originated. Independent of the exact mechanism, this finding showed that the alteration of a fold in the *Drosophila* embryo was able to induce mechanical perturbations, which is consistent with my hypothesis of tension release as role of the transient folds. However, the question for the exact mechanism and role of the posterior DF remained open.

3.5 The posterior dorsal fold in context of germband extension

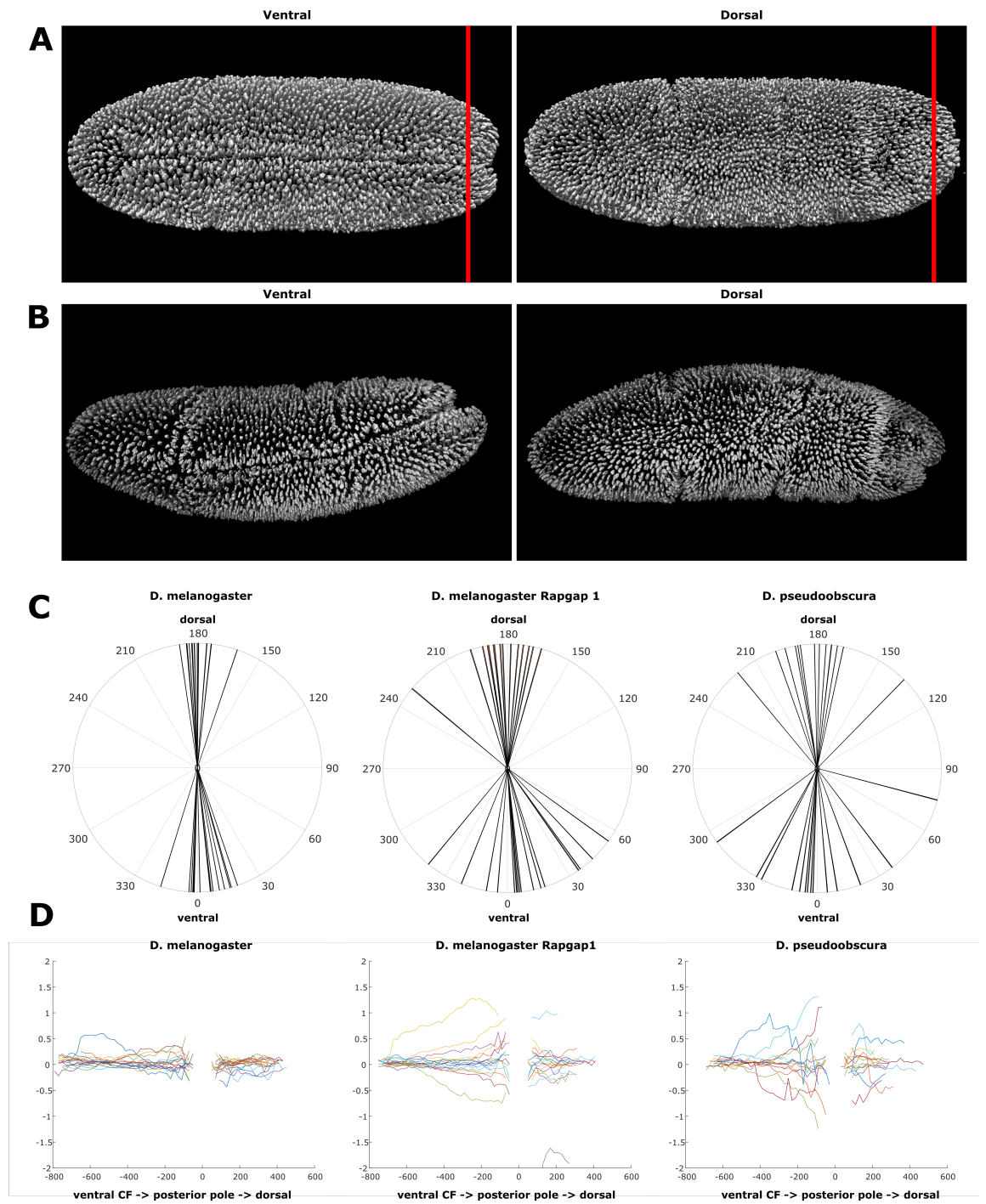


Figure 3.15: **Twisted germband extension in *Drosophila***

Germband extension in *D. melanogaster* embryos usually appeared (and is also described) as shown in panel **A**.

Figure 3.15: Certain embryos showed a different phenotype which I refer to as twisted germband extension **B**. At 29° C *D. melanogaster* *Rapgap1* mutant embryos and *D. pseudoobscura* wildtype embryos showed an increased number of germband twists, some of them being very severe, than *D. melanogaster* wildtype embryos **C** and **D**. Panel **C** depicts these twists in a transversal cross section close to the posterior pole (red line in **A**) of the embryo where 0° and 180° mark the ventral and dorsal midlines. Panel **D** depicts these twists in a tracking along the anterior-posterior axis (see 5.2.2) where 0 on the *y*-axis corresponds again to the midlines and the *x*-axis represents the total germband length from the ventral cephalic furrow to the anterior edge of the germband on the dorsal side of the embryo.

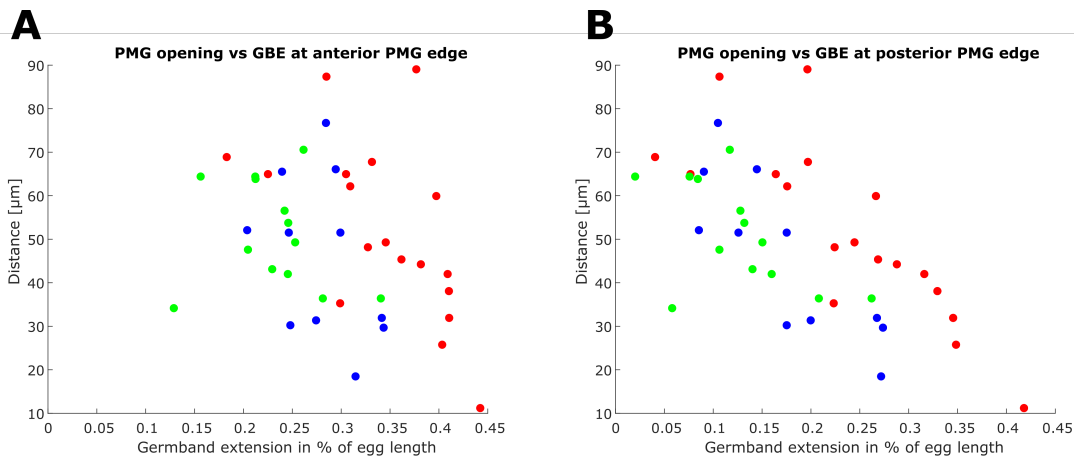


Figure 3.16: **The posterior midgut was affected in a *Rapgap1* knockout** Posterior midgut invagination in *Rapgap1* mutant *D. melanogaster* embryos was more similar to *D. pseudoobscura* embryos than to *D. melanogaster* wildtypes. There was no difference between an anterior **A** or posterior **B** measurement of germband extension.

4 | Discussion

I showed that the movement in *Drosophila* embryos appears highly coordinated. The cephalic furrow (CF) and the posterior dorsal fold (DF) were not only present but seemed to be functionally involved in this coordinated movement, possibly for specific tension relaxation. Interestingly both of them originated somewhere in the 250 million years which separate *Drosophila melanogaster* (*D. melanogaster*) and *Chironomus riparius* (*C. riparius*), which might suggest a link between them. However, currently I do not have any evidence for this due to methodological limitations. For example, I would like to knockout the CF, but there is no available way to do this without completely disrupting the whole embryo. In the following I shall discuss the current state, other options, problems, and ideas I have about the cell dynamics and especially fold dynamics in the *Drosophila* embryo.

4.1 *In toto* analysis

4.1.1 The *in toto* approach requires appropriate imaging technology

The analysis of a single piece of any functional system can reveal the properties of this piece as well as its possible functions. However, the reason why this piece is important and its real function need to be analyzed in the context of the whole, and in the best case running, system. In the case of *D. melanogaster*, a rather global analysis connecting different processes used to be done in earlier days [Turner

and Mahowald, 1977, Wieschaus et al., 1984]. This is not really surprising, as the technology, especially imaging technology, in those days was limited. Although this work was global, it contained rather descriptions of knockout phenotypes and no detailed information about how and why these phenotypes originated, as high speed imaging technology for the entire embryo was simply not available. To get mechanistic insights, this problem was overcome by limiting the region of interest [Rauzi et al., 2010, Wang et al., 2012, Spencer et al., 2015]. However, since the technology of lightsheet microscopy has become available, both approaches were more and more combined [Keller et al., 2008, Tomer et al., 2012, Rauzi et al., 2015]. At the same time, the light sheet microscope technology was also significantly improved, leading to a spatial resolution not far behind confocal resolution [Huisken et al., 2004, Krzic et al., 2012, Liu et al., 2018, Migliori et al., 2018]. This means that by now we are able to have a look at the complete embryo, in a sufficient spatial and temporal resolution to tackle the above raised challenges.

4.1.2 The hardware is outrunning the software

For the reasons listed above, the hardware does not give rise to the the main current challenges. The post processing (registration and fusion of the multiview image data) is one of the current major problems, as the algorithms used either take a very long time or do not produce satisfying results. However, even after the successful registration and fusion of a multiview data set, the challenges do not stop, because simply looking at a movie does not produce any data. Instead the images have to be analyzed. At this point it becomes interesting, as none of the current lightsheet microscopes comes with an out of the box analysis pipeline like confocal microscopes (VLOCITY, LAS X) and several open source tools including multiple ImageJ plugins either cannot handle 3D+t data, or are simply overstrained by the excessive amount of data. This is one of the main reasons why this thesis focused not only on the biological question, but also on finding suitable ways for the analysis of time lapse lightsheet microscope data.

Current analysis pipelines

For the analysis of cell motion, but also for the analysis of the topology of structures, there are in general two approaches, a manual one and an automated one, and maybe as third option with increased popularity in recent years, a semi-automated one which increases its accuracy via manual data curation [Sommer et al., 2011, Amat et al., 2014]. Automated analysis pipelines are usually fast, and can handle increasing amounts of data, but many of them still lack the required accuracy [Amat et al., 2014, Matula et al., 2015]. This is why a lot of data is still analyzed using labor intensive manual or semi-automated pipelines. For my work I used Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV) as automated analysis and manual cell and furrow tracking as manual analysis. In contrast to tracking pipelines, PIV is not object based, that is to say, it does not work with cells, but only with pixels, voxels or clusters of them, so called supervoxels [Achanta et al., 2012]. This approach circumvents the tracking accuracy problem, but at the cost of lacking cell lineages. Using PIV I was able to show the general velocity and direction for multiple regions in the embryo (figure 3.2). However, Brownian motion like movements of the nuclei prevented a higher resolution which made the analysis of differences in motion vectors of neighboring cells impossible. In addition it was not possible to show the whole trajectory of cells as PIV only considers 2 time points at a time. Of course one can try to overcome the problem of the missing tracks via storing positional and temporal information in the voxels of an image to plot not only the current transition from t_n to t_{n-1} but also plot the last 5 or 10 time points. This solution produces a visualization depicting cells with tails which imitates real tracks. However, this is not accurate and is suitable only for visualization, rather than for analysis purposes. The reason why this is not accurate, is that the cells have to be segmented automatically to enable a PIV analysis in the first place. Current segmentation algorithms usually consider only one image/stack at a time. The main segmentation criterion is still intensity, mainly due to the lack of other criteria. Intensity is however not ideal, as it changes the whole time, for both biological and physical reasons. On the one hand, the fluorescent protein in the nucleus is constantly bleached and regenerated which produces fluctuations in the

amount of emitted light, and on the other hand the amount of received light by the camera depends on the distance of the nucleus to the objective, as well as on the surrounding tissue. As a result the size of segmented nuclei is subject to constant change. Just in theory, if the segmented nuclei had the same shape and size the whole time PIV would allow for cell lineaging. However in this case also automated cell tracking would be 100% accurate, simply because the likelihood of having 2 identical nuclei next to each other is close to zero (mitosis being omitted in this thought experiment).

As I wanted to see the motion dynamics in the whole embryo, and also in the structures and folds (for example, the CF), an automated segmentation dependent analysis was just not good enough, as below the surface of the embryo most cells are lost, whereas close to the microscope objective, nuclei are often aggregated. The only solution to circumvent automated segmentation is a manual annotation of cells, commonly known as manual tracking. Manual tracking or in general manual annotation of cells is also not error free, which is why often several "trackers" work on the same data set, or the manual approach is combined with an automated approach [Muthinja et al., 2017]. As the previous methods were not available, I stuck to certain criteria which were defined based on my tracking experience (see section 3.3). These criteria minimize the error rate, but they can of course not exclude tracking errors like selecting a neighboring cell. These errors likely occur in the region of tissue folds, especially with high invagination speeds. However, tracking errors are often not as bad as they sound, as directly neighboring cells have often very parallel paths (figure 3.3) and end up very close to each other. In general manual tracking allows the tracking of almost every cell in the embryo. Cells that can not be tracked manually will likely never be tracked automatically, as the segmentation done by the human eye and brain is still by magnitudes superior to an automated segmentation, especially if the user is experienced.

Scalability of current analysis pipelines

Although manual tracking sounds from the above paragraph like the best solution to use for cell tracking, there is one major drawback: The workload of manual

tracking is very high. While a surface cell which does not move much, can be tracked in a few minutes, difficult, fast moving cells in regions of low intensity can take 15 minutes and more. From my own experience, I have to admit that there is also a time limit of 2-3 hours a day, especially for difficult cells. This means that it took not weeks, but months, to track the 700 cells for this thesis in 2 embryos. As the embryo has around 6000 cells at blastoderm stage, I tracked only around 5% per embryo for only 2 embryos. Any large scale, high throughput, or statistical analysis of variation between species or in a species, is not possible with these numbers. However, as long as there is no other solution with high accuracy and a universal ability to track high and low intensity regions, manual tracking will still be the option of choice as long as highly accurate data is required.

Enhancements and future analysis

As stated in the above paragraph, there is no ideal solution for cell tracking at the moment. Although semi-automated tracking with guided manual data curation has become very popular [Amat et al., 2014, Haubold et al., 2016], it still is not the solution as it relies on current segmentation algorithms. "We do not have a tracking problem, we rather have a segmentation problem", (unknown) was a sentence I heard once at a conference, which partially explains the problem we are currently facing. However, I would go even further, the problem is not limited to segmentation, it rather includes all the steps which lead to the data set supposed to be segmented or, to put it in general terms, analyzed. If we really want to deliver all the promises that are always associated with SPIM, like a complete *in toto* analysis, all parts of the pipeline leading to the fused image have to be improved:

- Imaging markers have to be improved, for example using new fly lines with markers in the infrared spectrum which have a higher penetration depth and less scattering (personal communication with Dimitri Kromm from the Hufnagel laboratory at EMBL Heidelberg).
- The imaging technology has to be improved to reduce diffraction to achieve

better signals as already done via the use of adaptive optics [Liu et al., 2018] (and personal communication with Dimitri Kromm). This will allow for a better imaging of internalized tissue.

- The segmentation algorithms need to be improved using machine-learning algorithms [Zhang et al., 2014, Amat et al., 2015, Li et al., 2017] to allow for the simultaneous segmentation of very differently labeled cells.

I assume that in a few years the progress in these 3 fields will allow us to reach almost the accuracy level of manual tracking using automated segmentation and (manually curated) tracking algorithms. There are, however, still limits, as cells which a scientist can not even see will always be classified as artifacts although the algorithms might be accurate enough to segment and track them at some point.

4.2 Epithelial integrity

The cells in the epithelium of the *Drosophila* embryo seemed to move in a very coordinated fashion as a single epithelial sheet without cells passing by their neighbors. This suggests that the fluid properties of an epithelium are, at least for *Drosophila*, rather to be seen as representation of the whole sheet. The observed order of the single cell tracks and the integrity of the triangles suggest that the cells of the epithelium were strongly attached to each other, rather similar to molecules in a solid object instead of a fluid one. This seemed to be true even in areas of induced neighbor exchange like the ventral area. On the other hand, the observed velocity distributions seemed to fit very much to fluid like properties, as I observed the highest germband extension (GBE) velocities at the posterior pole where the cell flow had to adapt to a reduced diameter. These velocities could be a representation of Bernoulli's law, but they also could simply be the effect of the very strong posterior midgut (PMG) invagination [Collinet et al., 2015]. It is therefore still unclear how similarly to a fluid the *Drosophila* embryo epithelium acts.

Having an epithelium in the embryo with properties of a complex fluid (liquid with particles) was always a matter of intense discussion in the lab, as it could have

explained tension release in areas of opposing or shearing flow. However, as my data suggested a rather rigid epithelium, it was still unclear how tensions in areas of opposing or shearing flow can be relieved to prevent rupture. In theory the release of tension is possible via cell division [George et al., 2017], however cell division in the gastrulating *Drosophila* embryo is limited to certain domains [Foe, 1989] and therefore likely of limited influence. Possibly the epithelium, commonly also referred to as an epithelial sheet, could be compared with a sheet of paper, or even better with a sheet of an elastic material to represent the partly elastic properties of an epithelium. Such a sheet could possibly release motion induced tension using its elastic behavior and its ability to fold. Of course this comparison is not ideal, as a sheet of paper or even of an elastic material is probably too rigid to move on the surface of an ellipsoid. The real properties of the *Drosophila* epithelium might likely be somewhere in between the suggested models. Interestingly, two of the transient folds were in areas where high shear between the moving cells was likely to occur, which is a detail that should be observed more closely.

4.3 The cephalic furrow

The CF is a transient fold which appears at the onset of gastrulation together with the ventral furrow (VF) [Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. However, in contrast to the VF the CF remains part of the epithelium for its whole lifetime, and vanishes without a trace in later development [Ingham, 1994]. In chapter 3.4 I had a closer look at the CF, especially the dynamics in the inside, and pointed out a possible function. Using my triangle analysis (figure 3.11), I was able to investigate the epithelial integrity in the *Drosophila* embryo (discussed above). I found that certain epithelial regions seemed to be able to move past each other deep inside the CF while the epithelium remained intact. During the tracking of these cells I observed that the epithelium seemed to undergo several internal folding processes leading to tissue faults, which fitted to my other observations, where I saw that the CF had various shapes in different regions of the embryo. These inside folding events could explain why different regions of the epithelium can pass

others while keeping epithelial integrity. This might be one of possibly multiple mechanisms to absorb tension occurring during development or temporarily decouple two tissue regions. In addition, I observed an asymmetric invagination of the CF where the posterior tissue moved below the anterior tissue, possibly creating a certain flexibility in the anterior-posterior (AP) direction, similar to the bumpers of train wagons. It looked like the tissue in the CF had certain folding mediated capabilities, however, it did not become clear whether they were a side effect of the CF, or whether that structure evolved to provide exactly these functions. It might however help to change the point of view a little bit, away from object capabilities to a more needs-focused point of view.

The *Drosophila* embryo has an ellipsoidal shape; when tissue moves from an anterior or posterior region towards the center of the embryo, the curvature and size of the surface changes. This could likely produce tension. Another phenomenon which likely produces tension is the presence of different velocity vectors in close proximity to one another. In most regions of the embryo the sum of velocity vectors over time, i.e. the trajectory of a cell, changes only very slightly between neighboring cells. However, between the head and the trunk, cells which undergo a rotation or rotation like movement and cells with an almost straight dorso-ventral movement are in almost direct contact. The same is true close to the posterior pole in the region of the posterior DF (figure 3.4). As the epithelium has only a limited ability to reduce these tensions via the remodeling of junctions, which, based on the triangle analysis, seemed not to be extensively used, the embryo could possibly need additional mechanisms to release tension.

The literature does not reveal much about the CF, and nothing about its function. The lack of data facilitates the speculation, considering everything from no function, through a cell storage function, to a rigid barrier preventing the "bad" trunk from entering the head. During my thesis I considered also various ideas, including a function as a ventral or dorsal barrier to prevent the germband from entering the head. As *D. melanogaster* is a well studied model organism, possibly many people have also tried to find the function of the CF, but did not come up with clear results. But why is this the case? Surely one reason is the very lim-

ited genetic background knowledge about the CF, as both *even-skipped* (*eve*) and *buttonhead* (*btd*) are too far upstream and their knockouts produce too many side effects to interpret the results of their knockouts for a possible function of the CF. However, one could knockout the CF using a partial *eve* knockout which either targets only *eve*-stripe 1, or rescues stripes 2-7. This knockout line would allow the analysis of an embryo lacking only the CF without major effects on GBE. As a counterpart, one could analyze embryos lacking *eve*-stripes 2-7, which abolishes GBE but keeps the CF intact. These mutants are currently under development in the laboratory of Yu-Chiun Wang. However, due to a delay in their development, they could not be used for this thesis. Another reason might be the structure of the CF, in which it possibly hides its function. I have shown that deep inside the CF the planar surface structure was lost, and internal folding reshuffled cell clusters. These observations would have not been possible without *in toto* image data with high temporal and spatial resolution with high penetration depth, i.e. not possible without Selective plane illumination microscopy (SPIM) or a similar technology. However, even using this technology, I was not able to get down to the root of the CF. I still lost too many cells while tracking and could not reach the deepest cells. I am however confident that the function of the CF will be solved in the next years, using advanced imaging technology and the above described mutants.

4.4 The posterior dorsal fold

I have shown that, considering the the overall cell motion, the posterior DF is situated in a location very similar to that of the CF. Due to technical reasons, I could not analyze the posterior DF in the same way as the CF, so I could not perform the triangle analysis. However, I could show that cells enter the posterior DF on the dorsal side, and leave it again on the lateral sides of the embryo. Furthermore I could show that a shallow posterior DF coincides with twisted GBE, independent of whether this shallow fold originates from a gene knockout in *D. melanogaster* or as the wild type phenotype of another *Drosophila*

species. However, with even fewer cells than I had for the CF it is rather difficult to point out the function of the posterior DF. The fact that my data showed a link between *Rapgap1* and the PMG activity, and not only to the depth of the posterior DF, causes even more problems, as I could not pinpoint whether the twisted germbands were a result of the altered PMG invagination, or a result of the altered posterior DF. Under the assumption that the twisted germbands originated from the change in posterior DF depth, one could hypothesize that either a possible mechanical decoupling or absorbing function is disturbed, or that a possible pipeline function is disturbed, leading to a cramped dorsal surface and as a result to too much resistance for the extending germband. Using significantly more cell tracks one could possibly determine which of these two directions is correct. However at the same time a way has to be found to analyze whether the twisted germbands were PMG or posterior DF derived. This could be done using mutants which alter PMG invagination. On the basis of the current data set any statement about the function of the posterior DF is pure speculation. Based on experience from the roughly 10 live movies, and the more than 100 fixed images I observed and/or analyzed during my thesis, I assume that the posterior DF is necessary to enable a robust GBE, however I have no clue about the underlying mechanism. The problems described above, likely propelled the fact that the posterior DF is in a very similar situation as the CF. Its function is not known and open for the same speculation as the function of the CF, however with a stronger focus on a possible lack of function. In the lack of function hypothesis the DFs are usually explained as being artefacts of the rather strong forces occurring during GBE [Sonnenblick, 1950]. The 3 transient folds (the anterior DF is not part of this thesis, as it proved to be highly variable and often also absent) have in common that they invaginate during early gastrulation, remain part of the epithelium and vanish in later development without any trace [Campos-Ortega and Hartenstein, 1997]. In addition, the position, initiation and to some extent also invagination of all of them is genetically determined [Vincent et al., 1997, Wang et al., 2012, Wang et al., 2013]

4.5 Proposing a connected system of transient folds

As already mentioned in this thesis, although there are differences between the CF and the posterior DF, they also have much in common which is a reason why I considered the possibility that these folds form a system and might be dependent on each other. One of the main underlying reasons for this assumption was the fact that *C. riparius* does not have any transient fold [Ritter, 1889], while *D. melanogaster* does have them. An interesting difference between those two species is the velocity of GBE, which is around $3 - 4\mu\text{m}$ in *C. riparius* [Urbansky, 2016] (and personal communication), while it can reach $12 - 15\mu\text{m}$ in *Drosophila*. Considering the data from my experiments, it seems like fast GBE needs transient folds. This might sound logical in the first place, but there is a difference between the scalar and the direction of a vector. A scalar velocity change would not change the directions of the motion vectors, which would not really change the dynamics of the system as long as the value of the velocity is increased or decreased equally. Conversely, this suggests that not only the value of the velocity changed, but also the direction of the vectors, possibly changed in GBE-driving processes. Indeed looking at SPIM movies from both species seems to reveal some differences. However, as I explained above looking at movies does not help, simply because the amount of information is too high, to be understandable. I suggest that the same analysis done here, should also be done in *C. riparius* to understand the differences in GBE between them. Once we understood those, we can get a better idea of the function of transient folds, and how they ensure robust and fast GBE in *Drosophila*.

5 | Materials & Methods

5.1 Materials

5.1.1 Flies

LF 034	<i>Drosophila pseudoobscura</i>	wt
LF 030	<i>Drosophila melanogaster</i>	Dmely[1],oc[R3.2];Gr22b[1],Gr22d[1],cn[1],bw[1],sp[1], LysC[1],lab[R4.2],MstProx[1],GstD5[1],Rh6[1]
LF 145	<i>Drosophila melanogaster</i>	Rapgap1 [22]

5.1.2 Reagents

DanKlorix Reiniger Original	DanKlorix 02400170
Ethanol 100%	(EtOH) Sigma, 32212
Formaldehyde	Sigma Aldrich 252549
Glycerol	Sigma-Aldrich 54997
Heptane	Roth, 8654.3
Methanol 100%	Sigma Aldrich 322415
Tween 20	Sigma Aldrich P21379
Triton X-100	Sigma Aldrich 34021300900
Propidium Iodide	Life technologies 1719154

5.1.3 Enzymes

RNAse A Thermo Scientific EN0531

5.1.4 Buffers, solutions and media

Apple juice plates	Agar Agar	24 g
	Apple juice	250 ml
	H ₂ O	740 ml
	Saccharose	25 g
Glycerol 50%	Glycerol	25 ml
	PBS	25 ml
Glycerol 75%	Glycerol	37.5 ml
	PBS	12.5 ml
NaCl 40x 28%	H ₂ O	1x
	NaCl	280 g/l
PBS (10X) (pH 7.4)	NaCl	137 mM
	KCl	2.7 mM
	KH ₂ PO ₄	240 mg/l
	Na ₂ HPO ₄	1.44 g/l
	H ₂ O	1 l
PBT	PBS	1×
	Tween 20	0.1 %
Propidium Iodide staining solution	PI	20 μl
	H ₂ O	980 μl
Triton X-100 5%	H ₂ O	95 ml
	Triton X-100	5 ml

5.1.5 Lab materials

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5.1.6 Provided image data

The two Selective plane illumination microscopy (SPIM) data sets were kindly provided by Lars Hufnagel (EMBL, Heidelberg) and his PhD student Dimitri Kromm. The data set used in all chapters, except for the dorsal fold (DF) analysis (section 3.5) was imaged during early gastrulation of a *Drosophila melanogaster* (*D. melanogaster*) embryo, using a histone coupled mCherry marker [Krzic et al., 2012]. The fused image data shown here is a product of the registration and fusion of 4 individual views [Krzic et al., 2012]. The second data set shows also early gastrulation and was imaged using a nuclear marker in the infrared spectrum (Hufnagel laboratory, unpublished). It consists of 2 opposing views and was fused non-isotropically using the Luxendo fusion and registration pipeline (see section 5.1.7).

5.1.7 Software

Matlab

Matlab (developed by Mathworks) is a high level programming language and Integrated Development Environment (IDE) specialized for numerical computation and matrix operations. It is very powerful as many mathematical operations and algorithms are already integrated, or can be found in open source libraries on the web. For these reasons it was used as main analysis tool for all the numerical data gained from multiple other programs.

Geom3d

Geom3D is a library for 2- and 3 dimensional geometrical calculations in Matlab [Legland, 2016]. It was used to fit a plane to the cephalic furrow (CF), as the native Matlab functions did not allow plane fitting in matrices containing not a number (NaN) values.

ImageJ / Fiji

ImageJ is an open source image analysis software. It was developed by Wayne Rasband at the National Institute of Health (NIH) in the USA. ImageJ was released in 1997 and is based on NIH Image. More than just a tool, ImageJ is a versatile library for image processing and can be extended by a huge number of available third party plugins and macros, making it one of the most powerful tools for scientific image analysis. Fiji is a distribution of ImageJ, which contains a selected and curated set of plugins [Schindelin et al., 2012]. Fiji was used for most of the figures where actual image data are shown. Furthermore it was used for the visualization of optical flow data, and to draw tracks and planes onto image data.

Excel

Excel is a spreadsheet developed by Microsoft. It was used to convert mixed alphanumeric tables, which mainly derived from cell and furrow tracking, into numeric tables, as it provided a more convenient way to do so than Matlab. It was not used for further analysis, as for that purpose Matlab is not only more convenient, but also more powerful.

LAS X

LAS X is a software platform, developed by Leica Microsystems, for acquiring, processing and analyzing confocal microscopy data. It was used to acquire confocal 3D data of fly embryos which were later processed in Fiji. In another experiment it was used to acquire and fuse a tile scan from multiple embryos on one slide.

Notepad++

Notepad++ is a free text and source code editor which is able to handle large text files. It was developed by Don Ho. Notepad was especially useful for debugging analysis pipelines of optical flow and tracking data.

Multiview Reconstruction Plugin

The Multiview Reconstruction Plugin is an ImageJ plugin developed by Stephan Preibisch in the lab of Pavel Tomancak [Preibisch et al., 2010]. It is a versatile tool to register and fuse acquisitions of the same object from different angles. The registration can be done using any given interest points, for example fluorescent microspheres or even nuclei.

Luxendo Registration and Fusion software

The Luxendo software for registration and fusion of images is a pipeline based on a software originally developed in the lab of Lars Hufnagel [Krzic et al., 2012]. It allows for bead based, as well as content based or external transformation matrix based registration and fusion of multiple views into one 3D+t data set. To my knowledge it is currently the only pipeline, allowing for a reliable content based opposing fusion of SPIM data sets. It differs from the directly above described ImageJ plugin by the ability to perform a real content based registration, instead of a nucleus base object one. This is an essential advantage, as the nuclei in SPIM data sets often do not have the required quality, to use them as template for an object based registration.

Optical Flow

For determination of the optical flow in the data from the MuVi-SPIM, the optical flow software from the Keller lab was used [Amat et al., 2013]. The advantages were high scalability concerning data size and computing power, as well as robustness.

MTrackJ

MTrackJ is a powerful manual tracking plugin for ImageJ. It was developed by Erik Meijering [Meijering et al., 2012]. Its advantages are full 4D-compatibility, and a structured output of the tracking data, which can be adjusted using the *Set Scale...* and *Properties..* menus of ImageJ. All manual cell tracking data in this

thesis was obtained using MTrackJ. Output analysis was done using Matlab and Excel.

TransformJ and ImageScience packages

This thesis involved large 3D data sets, which need to be looked at from different angles. This can either be done using a 3D viewer such as Chimera or by rotating the image stack. TransformJ and the underlying libraries from the ImageScience package are capable of rotating any type of image data by any angle [Meijering et al., 2001]. The only limit is the available memory of the computer used. Both packages were used on an almost daily basis especially since they are required for furrow tracking.

UCSF Chimera

Originally developed for the visualization of large molecules, mainly proteins, Chimera is also one of the best 3D viewers for image stacks. Chimera is developed by the Resource for Biocomputing, Visualization, and Informatics at the University of California, San Francisco [Pettersen et al., 2004]. Chimera is valuable and was one of the most important programs for this thesis for several reasons:

- Its 3D rendering is very precise, which allows for a good visual inspection of furrows.
- It supports several 3D vision technologies.
- It supports moving inside a hollow object, such as the fly embryo.
- It is currently the only software in this field supporting a *3Dconnexion Space Navigator* which allows for precise 3D navigation by the use of 6 axis.

Own custom developed software

Except for the following *Automated furrow tracking Plugin* (which was not used to produce results for this thesis), my own software can be found in the Appendix B. The detailed functions are described in the Method section.

Automated furrow tracking plugin (did not pass the prototype stage)

Manual tracking of furrows such as the CF or the DFs provides a very high accuracy, but is also very time consuming. However, if this very high accuracy is not needed, an automated approach can perform the same task in a much shorter time. I developed a program which is implemented as an ImageJ plugin and can at least mark the CF with a high enough accuracy for the fit of a plane. The underlying principle of the program is to find stacked cells, a typical characteristic of a furrow in the mainly single layered embryo. These stacked cells are searched by line scans, reaching from one edge of the image to the other edge or only to the center of the embryo. The line scans work with a counter which is increased for every foreground pixel. Background pixels in between foreground pixels, which is a typical sign of stacked cells, generate boni. This technique leads to an exponential increase of the counter in the region of a furrow, when several cells are above each other. These line scans are done in multiple directions, but always on cross sections of the embryo, which is rotated around its anterior-posterior (AP)-axis in 1° steps. In addition to the line scans which detect furrow edges, another line scan is created to detect the continuity of the surface, this is helpful to detect small furrows at the very beginning of gastrulation.

The cross sections are either dorsal ventral, or lateral, depending on the rotation of the embryo. This technique was already used in the manual furrow tracking macro as described above. The rotation was done using java classes from the *imagescience* package [Meijering et al., 2001, Meijering et al., 2012]. As output the plugin marked areas which likely contain a furrow edge. The coordinates of the marked pixels could have been used as template for a plane fit, representing for example the CF. However, as the plugin never reached the accuracy of manually annotated furrow data, its development was truncated.

5.1.8 Hardware

The analysis of large data sets, especially data from a multiview selective plane illumination microscope (MuVi-SPIM), which can have a size of 3 TB can quickly

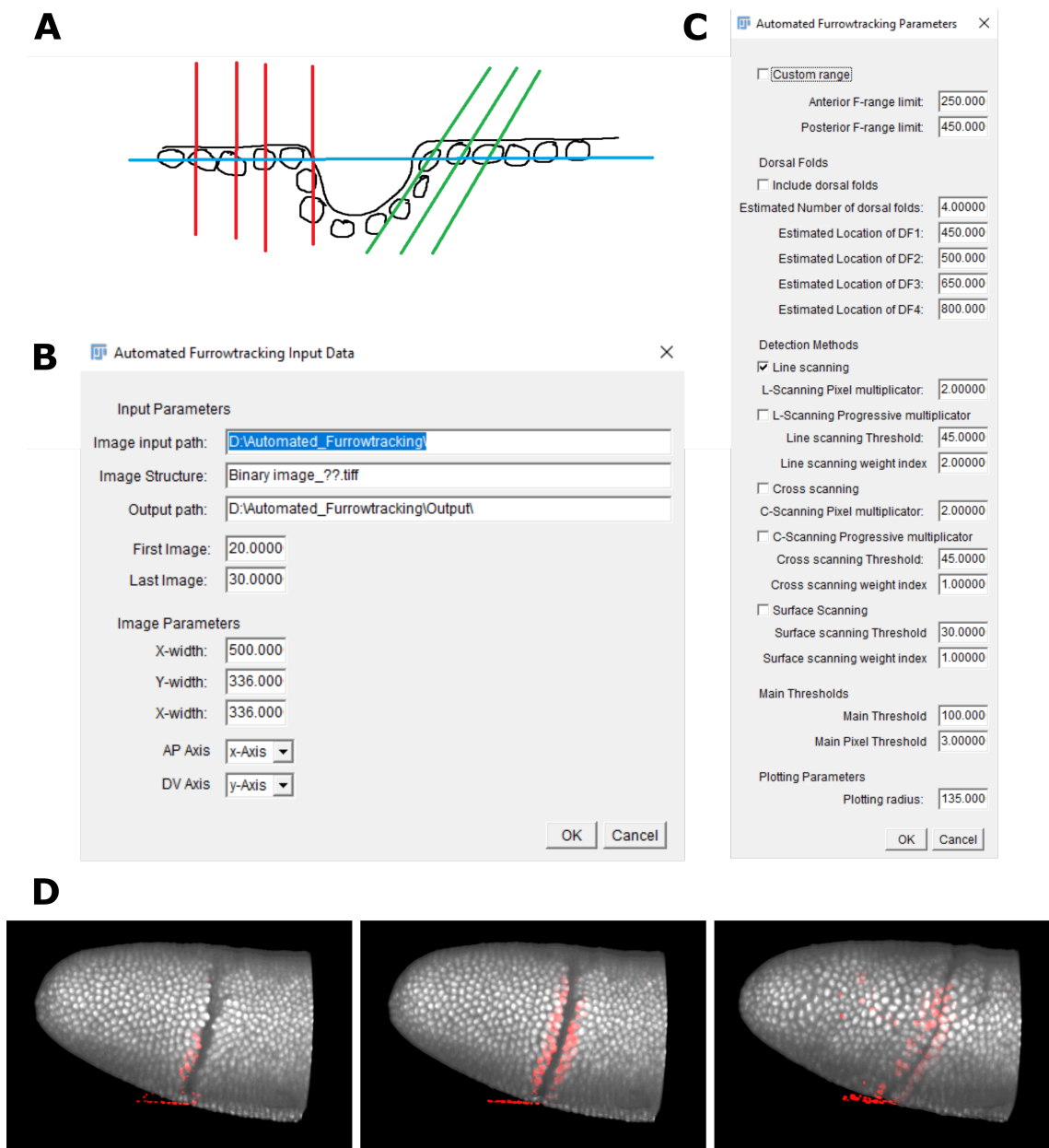


Figure 5.1: **Automated furrow tracking** The ImageJ plugin for automated furrow tracking is based on the principle shown in panel **A**. Line scanners scan a 3D data set with segmented nuclei in multiple directions. Each nucleus within one line increases the scanner score (red and green lines). Stacked nuclei, as present in furrow edges lead to high scores. An additional scanner on the surface finds gaps by comparing distances between the surface nuclei (blue line). The ImageJ plugin consists of 2 windows: in the first window **B**, basic image parameters like paths and dimension have to be entered. In the second window **C** the scanners and their respective parameters have to be defined. The output is shown in panel **D**, the red marks show regions where the likelihood of a furrow edge was above the chosen threshold.

reach the limits of common IT environments. Also smaller data sets with 30 GB to 50 GB can reach these limits when they have to be loaded at once into the memory required, for example for tracking or 3D-visualization. In addition all this data has to be stored which can range from 10-20 TB for each scientific project, sometimes even more. To overcome these problems a suitable IT environment is necessary. We solved this issue using several machines with different processor, memory and graphic hardware configurations which further provided a total storage space of more than 160 TB distributed on 4 separate RAID-6 systems.

System 1 aka Wolverine

- Operating system: Windows 7
- CPU: 2x Intel Xeon E5620, 4 cores, 2.4 GHz
- Memory: 192 GB
- GPU1: Nvidia Tesla K40c
- GPU2: Nvidia Quadro K620
- Storage: 24 TB RAID 6

System 2 aka Mystique

- Operating system: Ubuntu 14.04 LTS
- CPU: 2x Intel Xeon E5620, 4 cores, 2.4 GHz
- Memory: 96 GB
- GPU: Nvidia Geforce GTX Titan Black
- Storage: 24 TB RAID 6

System 3 aka The Punisher

- Operating system: CentOS 7
- CPU: 2x Intel Xeon E5-2699 v3, 18 cores, 2.3 GHz
- Memory: 256 GB
- GPU: Nvidia Geforce GTX Titan X 12 GB
- Storage: 60 TB RAID 6

System 4 aka Storm

- Operating system: CentOS 7
- CPU: 2x Intel Xeon E5-2699 v4, 22 cores, 2.2 GHz
- Memory: 512 GB
- GPU: Nvidia Geforce GTS 240
- Storage: 56 TB RAID 6

5.1.9 Devices and microscopes

Leica SP8

For imaging fixed samples I used a Leica SP8 confocal microscope with a 20x multi-immersion objective. I used glycerol as the immersion medium.

Leica SP5

To image gastrulation of multiple fly embryos at a time, I used a Leica SP5 with a heating chamber to be able to choose the development temperature.

Multiview selective plane illumination microscope

Currently, the only way to image a fly embryo *in toto* with the spatial and temporal resolution necessary for this project is using a lightsheet microscope as the Multiview selective plane illumination microscope (MuVi-SPIM) [Krzic et al., 2012]. Its design allows for a temporal resolution of below 30 s, while imaging the embryo from four sides. The four individual stacks are later registered and fused into a single 3D volume.

Other devices

Heating block	BIOER Mixing block MA-102
Binocular	Zeiss Stemi 2000-C
Light source	Zeiss CL 1500 Eco

5.2 Methods

5.2.1 Two side imaging of fixed embryos for *in toto* 3D reconstructions

Deposition

Apple Juice plates were taken from the fridge and put on the bench for 30 to 60 minutes, so they could warm up to room temperature. A drop of yeast was added to the center of each plate. When the light switched off in the incubator, the old plate of each fly cage was exchanged with one of the new plates prepared with yeast for deposition. The flies were given 2 hours for deposition, after which the plates were exchanged again with apple juice plates without yeast.

Fixation

The plates which contained the eggs from deposition were briefly cleaned with a brush to remove excessive yeast. 100% bleach was added for roughly 30 s. While bleaching, the embryos were stirred with a brush, and after 30 seconds, they were

collected in a sieve and washed for 3-4 minutes with tap water. Using a brush, the embryos were transferred to a 50 ml falcon tube (one per species or condition). In a second falcon tube the fixation solution was prepared by adding 500 μ l of *NaCl* 40 \times , 200 μ l of a 5% Triton X-100 solution and 19.5 ml *H*₂*O* for each set of embryos. The fixation solution was poured into a glass beaker and heated in the microwave. 20 ml of the hot solution was poured over the embryos in each falcon tube. The lids of the tubes were closed, and the tubes repeatedly inverted for 30 s, after which 30 ml of water (room temperature (RT)) was poured in each tube, and the embryos were given time to settle down. The supernatant was removed, and the embryos were collected and transferred to 1.5 ml reaction tubes. The supernatant was removed again, and 500 μ l of heptane and subsequently 500 μ l of methanol 100% were added to the tube. The lid was closed, and the tube was shaken hard for around 30 s. After shaking the embryos, were given a few minutes to settle down, then the supernatant was removed, and the embryos were washed 3 \times with methanol 100%, by repeatedly adding 1 ml of methanol and removing it again. After washing a second fixation solution containing 643 μ l *PBS*, 216 μ l methanol 100% and 135 μ l formaldehyde 37%, was added to the embryos. The tubes were then incubated for 25 minutes at RT on an electric rocking plate. After that, the embryos were again washed 3 \times with methanol 100% and stored in 1 ml of methanol at -20° .

Staining

The Propidium Iodide (PI) staining was based on a protocol from the laboratory of Robert Duronio (University of North Carolina). The mounting part was replaced by the mounting procedure from the DAPI-staining protocol used in the laboratory of Steffen Lemke. The embryos were removed from the freezer, and the methanol covering them was removed. They were washed 3 \times with 1 ml PBT. Next, the embryos were incubated with RNase A at a concentration of 400 μ g/ml (96 μ l PBT + 4 μ l RNase A) for 40 minutes at 37 $^{\circ}$ on the shaker at 300 rounds per minute (RPM). After incubation, the embryos were washed 3 \times with 1 ml PBT. The embryos were then incubated with 1 μ g/ml PI (25 μ l PI staining solution + 475 μ l

PBT) for 20 min on an electric rocking plate. From now on, the reaction tube was covered with aluminum foil to prevent the dye from bleaching. Afterwards, the embryos were again washed $3\times$ with 1 ml PBT, however, the last washing step took place for 30 minutes on the electric rocking table. After the last washing step, the PBT was removed, and 1 ml of 50% glycerol was added to the embryos. After 10 minutes when the embryos settled, they were transferred into a new tube with 75% glycerol and stored at 4°.

Mounting and Imaging

Mounting and imaging of fly embryos of the size of *Drosophila* embryos is challenging because of their size. The light traveling through the embryo is scattered by its matter, which prevents imaging of a whole embryo just from one side. In a lightsheet microscope this problem is efficiently solved by mounting the sample on a rotation capable stage. However, a confocal microscope is not designed for a rotating stage. That is why the rotation has to be done manually, the solution is a symmetrical slide which can be imaged from 2 sides, by simply turning it around with the scientist's hands.

For mounting, symmetrical slides that could be imaged from both sides had to be prepared. These slides were made of 2 24×60 mm cover slips, and 4 18×18 mm cover slips. A drop of superglue was added 9 – 10 mm inside of both of the short edges of one 24×60 mm cover slip. A 18×18 mm cover slip was placed on each drop, carefully aligning it with the edges of the large cover slip underneath. After the glue fixed the cover slips in position, another drop was added in the middle of each of the 2 18×18 mm cover slips fixed to the 24×60 mm cover slip. The remaining 2 18×18 mm cover slips were now glued on top, again carefully aligning the edges. A drop of 20 – 30 μ l of the glycerol solution was pipetted into the middle of the cover slip construct. It was important to make sure the drop did not contain too many embryos, to avoid any difficulties in finding embryos again when imaging the second side. A maximum number of 50 embryos proved to be good, which meant that not more than 10 embryos were in the right stage for imaging. After the drop was placed, another drop of superglue was added to each

of the 2 upper 18×18 mm cover slips, and the remaining 24×60 mm cover slip was put on top. Due to the viscosity of the glycerol, it was not necessary to seal the open edges of this cover slip construct. They were stored at 4° in the fridge.

For imaging, one of the cover slip constructs was placed on the mounting tray of the microscope, using a $20\times$ multi-immersion objective with glycerol as immersion medium. The resolution was set to 1024×512 , which was a good fit for the embryo, and prevented the acquisition of excessive background. Each embryo was fitted into this rectangle using the *field of view rotation* option. The *scan speed* was set to 200 to create high quality images with clearly shaped nuclei (most important for the later image registration process). The resolution of the microscope in the xy direction according to these settings was $0.568 \mu m$, so the z step size was set to $0.56 \mu m$. This way an oversampling in z was performed, which was beneficial for further processing steps. A stack was defined which had to cover around $2/3$ of the embryo to provide enough overlap for the registration. For excitation of the dye (PI) the 488-laser was used with depth adjusted intensity (common values: 3% at the surface to 15%-20% deep inside) to provide a similar signal over all slices of the embryo. After the acquisition of the stack, certain parameters of the embryo were noted down, using the following scheme. This was necessary to find the embryo again when imaging from the other side of the slide:

- Stage position at the beginning of the stack in μm
- Stage position at the end of the stack in μm
- Location of the embryo on the slide according to a 360 degree scale (000 = top, 090 = right, 180 = down, 270 = left).
- Radius of the embryo's location according to the upper scale (inside = center of slide, medium = between center and edge, outside = edge of the glycerol drop).
- Orientation of the embryo according to its axes.
- Number of neighbors.

- Characteristics of neighbours (Developmental state, injuries, unfertilized).

This procedure allowed for the imaging of up to 10 embryos per slide, without any trouble in refinding them. Once all the embryos were imaged from one side, the slide was very carefully removed from the slide holder and gently cleaned using a microfiber wipe to remove the glycerol from the outside of the slide. It was very important to reduce any mechanical manipulation of the slide to the least possible amount, to prevent destruction or motion of the mounted embryos. The slide was quickly turned by 180° around its long axis and placed on the slide holder again. The embryos were given 5-10 minutes to sink down again. The progress of this process was checked from time to time in the live mode, when the image did not change anymore, the embryos had reached their final position. Each embryo was imaged again using the above described settings, afterwards the slides were marked as finished. The data was saved a lif file, one per imaged slide.

5.2.2 Computational analysis of fixed embryos for *in toto* 3D reconstructions

Further processing and fusion

The lif files were opened with Fiji [Schindelin et al., 2012] and sorted. One of the 2 stacks of each embryo was turned by 180° in the x or y axis so that the anterior posterior orientation of the embryos in both images matched. This lead to an opposite orientation in the z axis, so that in one image the surface of the embryo was located at the beginning of the z axis and in the other one at the end of the z axis. This process reconstructed a natural 180° rotation. In case background embryos were present in the images, they were removed, as they can disturb the registration process. For each embryo, the 2 images were saved in a separate folder. To register and fuse the data, the Multiview Reconstruction [Preibisch et al., 2010] plugin was used performing the following steps (for detailed parameters see A.0.1):

1. **Define Multi-View Dataset:** This step sets up a new session and gathers the necessary information for further processing

2. **Detect Interest Points for Registration:** The type of image registration used here requires interest points, e.g. fluorescent microspheres or nuclei. In this case nuclei are used, this step sets the parameters and segments the interest points.
3. **Register Dataset based on Interest Points:** In this step the 2 images are registered in 3 dimensional space using a RANSAC algorithm to match the interest points of the 2 images defined in the step before.
4. **Fuse/Deconvolve Dataset** In this step the 2 images are fused into one image using the information from the registration step.

Usually the stitching was seamless and no stitching artifacts were observed. However in up to 10% of the embryos, the fusion failed, which made them unusable for any further analysis. Furthermore, the fusion seemed to be orientation independent, which was beneficial as embryos could be imaged in any orientation.

Fixed furrow tracking

The furrow tracking in the fixed embryos was done using an ImageJ macro originally developed during the time of my master thesis [Schütz, 2014], which was extended to enable tracking of the CF and the anterior and posterior DF (see B.1.1.1. It uses 7 points per furrow which have to be set manually by the user:

- Points 1 and 7 mark the surface next to the furrow.
- Points 2 and 6 mark the outside edge of the furrow.
- Points 3 and 5 mark the lower edges of the furrow.
- Point 4 marks the deepest spot of the furrow.

Before the first furrow is defined, the following 7 interest points have to be marked once per embryo on a cross section (dorsal to ventral midline and anterior to posterior pole):

- Posterior pole

- Posterior edge of posterior midgut (PMG) invagination
- Anterior edge of PMG invagination
- Posterior dorsal fold
- Anterior dorsal fold
- Cephalic furrow
- Anterior pole

Afterwards the furrows can be tracked in cross sections cutting the embryo into two halves along the AP-axis. After each cross section, the embryo is rotated with a fixed angle. The rotation angle was adjusted to 2° , as this is still high enough. If a furrow was not present at a certain stage, it was skipped.

Analysis of fixed furrows

The output provided from the furrow tracking macro (see 5.2.2 and B.1.1) was a table which was imported into Matlab for further analysis. Using a custom made script in Matlab (see B.2.1), the following parameters were analyzed:

1. Depth of the CF measured from the surface
2. Depth of the CF measured along the edges
3. Opening of the CF
4. Depth of the DFs measured from the surface
5. Depth of the DFs measured along the edges
6. Opening of the DFs
7. Extension of the DFs

Tracking and analysis of the germband

Tracking of the germband for fixed embryos was done using a custom made ImageJ macro and a consecutive Matlab script. In the ImageJ macro (see B.1.2), the AP-axis of the embryo was aligned with the z-axis of the image. Tracking started at the posterior pole in transversal cross sections. The macro automatically fitted a circle to the currently displayed cross section. The user then had to set a point in the center of the dorsal germband (upper image half) and one in the center of the ventral germband (lower image half). The output consisted of a text file for each embryo, which was then read into the Matlab script for germband extension (GBE) analysis (see B.2.3), where the cartesian coordinates from the image were transformed into a cylindrical coordinate system, which allowed for the visualization of the deviation of GBE from the ventral and dorsal midlines.

Embryo parameter analysis

The furrow tracking generated very accurate tracking data which contained significantly more information than was used in the analysis of the furrows. This data was used in the Matlab script for embryo parameter analysis (see B.2.2). The purpose of this script was to compare distances and positions of structures in the embryo using all the available data. The script depended on the sorted matrices from the furrow tracking macro, which had to be executed first. Using these matrices, the following parameters (additional to the ones from the furrow analysis) were calculated for each embryo:

- Furrow extension in dorsal-ventral (DV)-direction for all transient furrows
- Furrow extension in AP-direction for all transient furrows
- Fitted plane
- Furrow planarity
- Furrow angle vs AP-axis

- Single distances between the anterior pole, the posterior pole, the PMG and all transient folds
- Width of the PMG invagination

5.2.3 Analysis of live data

Optical flow analysis

For the analysis of global cell movement I used Optical Flow (OF) (as described above), and 2 custom made ImageJ plugins for visualization of absolute value (scalar velocity) and direction of the generated vectors. The velocity visualization was done using a heatmap which displayed the absolute value of the vectors. This value was multiplied by a constant to fit the range of 0 – 255 of the 8-bit *Fire* lookup table (LUT) from ImageJ (figure 5.2 C). In order to show only motion along the AP-axis of the embryo, the plugin contained a possibility to limit the axes considered for absolute value calculation. The second plugin used the Spectrum LUT from ImageJ and assigned colors to each direction via vectors in a cylindrical coordinate system fitted to the embryo (figure 5.2 B). Both of these plugins used a stretched cylindrical projection with a given radius to unroll the embryo (figure 5.2 A). This unrolling feature enables a full view on the embryo, displaying all sides simultaneously

Cell tracking

The cell tracking was done in a 4D stack using ImageJ and MtrackJ (see above) [Meijering et al., 2012]. The stack was aligned with the edges of the image and rotated in a way that the z -axis of the image corresponded to the DV axis of the embryo. Cells were then tracked forward or backward in time, some also in both directions. Whether to track forward or backward was usually a question of the analyzed domain of cells. Technically the direction does not matter at all. In each time point, the 3 dimensional center of the nucleus of a cell was marked. Cell divisions were also annotated, but played a minor role, as they usually appeared towards the end of the analyzed time period.

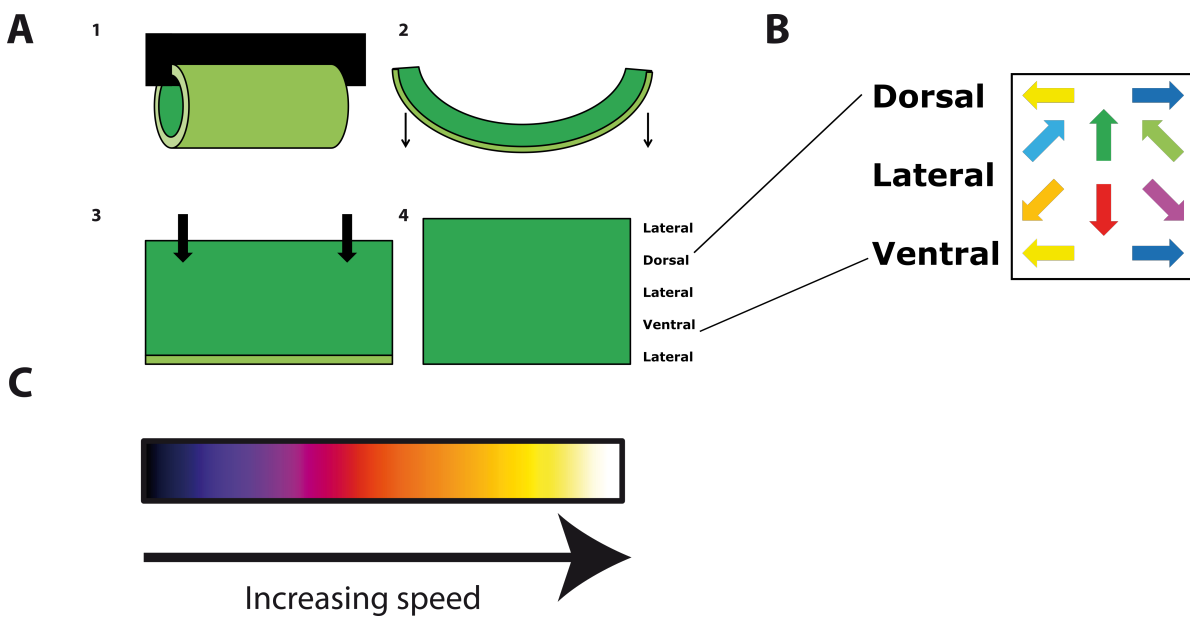


Figure 5.2: **Optical flow visualization methods** The two ImageJ plugins for optical flow visualization unroll the embryo by opening it on one lateral side and using a stretched (fixed radius) cylindrical projection **A**. In a second step either the direction **B**, using a color spectrum look up table, or the speed of the cells using a heatmap look up table are labeled **C**.

Structure tracking

The structure tracking in live data (CF position at dorsal and ventral midline, CF ventral closing and GBE progress) was done with the same pipeline as the cell tracking. However, the information of the z -axis / DV-axis was discarded. Depending on the size and shape of the structure, multiple positions in the DV-axis were used for tracking the same structure.

Track clustering

The cell tracks from the live cell tracking were clustered into groups which allowed the analysis of average motion vectors and parameters. The clustering was done only for parent cells and was based on a visual inspection of origin, trajectory and final location of the cell. Some cells were omitted, as they could not be assigned with enough confidence to a single cluster. This was the case either when they were located in between 2 clusters, or when they were "lost" during tracking

Triangle definition

The triangles were always defined among cells from one cluster, except for the triangles across the CF, which contained 2 cells from the anterior CF cluster and one cell from the posterior one, or the other way round. The triangle definition was done visually, using 3 main criteria: 1. The cell origins should be close to each other 2. The cell tracks should be rather parallel 3. The definition should allow for as many triangles as possible. However, each cell only belonged to one triangle, as an overdefinition just increased the noise, without showing valuable data.

Tracking analysis of live cell tracks in Matlab

The tracking data sets from MTrackJ were exported as text files using μm as length unit for the underlying cartesian coordinate system, as the imaged voxels were, at least for the second embryo, non-isotropic. In a subsequent step, the non-numeric characters were removed in Excel, which drastically simplified the Matlab pipeline. The processed text files were read by a custom made Matlab script (see

B.2.4) and processed in the following way: At first, the tracks were sorted into 3D-matrices along the following dimensions:

1. Time
2. Parameters
3. Cell or structure IDs

In a second step, additional parameters that had not been obtained from the tracking software were calculated.

- Step length
- Velocity (scalar)
- Average velocity over 3 timepoints (scalar)
- Acceleration
- x-Velocity (vector)
- Averaged x-Velocity over 3 timepoints (vector)
- x-Acceleration
- Averaged x-Acceleration over 3 timepoints
- dv-Velocity (scalar)
- Averaged dv-Velocity over 3 timepoints (scalar)
- dv-Velocity (vector)
- Averaged dv-Velocity over 3 timepoints (vector)
- Averaged acceleration over 3 timepoints

After these parameters were calculated, the tracked points of each cell were sorted according to time, to allow for the calculation of average and triangle parameters. The triangles' matrices were defined by setting the points A,B,C for each time point. Based on these points all other triangle parameters, plus their averages among all triangles of one cluster for each timepoint were calculated:

- $|a|$
- $|b|$
- $|c|$
- α
- β
- γ
- height a
- area A
- circumscribed circle diameter

In the following step averages for selected parameters were calculated for each time point among all cells of one cluster:

- Average velocity (scalar)
- Average AP-velocity (vector)
- Average DV-velocity (scalar)
- Average DV-velocity (vector)
- Average track length

After the calculation of these parameters, the remaining task of the script was plotting.

Contributions

Fly work: The maintenance of fly cultures and the preparation of cages for deposition was done by Maike Wosch. Sometimes the plates for deposition were also changed by her.

Stock solution and materials: Stock solutions and common materials such as apple juice plates were prepared by Maike Wosch.

Lightsheet Microscopy: The *D. melanogaster* SPIM movies were provided by the laboratory of Lars Hufnagel at the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL). The second *Drosophila* data set was imaged by Dimitri Kromm.

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Appendices

A | Protocols

A.0.1 Parameters for registration and fusion

This protocol contains the detailed parameters and steps that worked to fuse 90% of the *Drosophila* embryos:

- Select *Plugins >Multiview Reconstruction >Batch processing >Define Multi-View Dataset*
- Select *Image Stacks (ImageJ Opener)* as type of data set.
- Name the data set and click OK
- In the next window, select
 - Multiple Angles: Yes (One file per angle).
- In the next dialog, enter the directory of your files, and the filename, the angle has to be substituted by aaa
- Enter 0,180 as Acquisition Angles
- Proceed with the following settings and click OK:
 - Calibration Type: Same voxel-size for all views
 - Calibration Definition: User define voxel-size(s)
 - ImagLib2 data container: ArrayImg (faster)
 - Tick Show list of filenames

- If all files are recognized, continue with the next step, if not find the error, and repeat the procedure.
- Enter the voxel size in x,y,z direction.
- Go to Plugins>Multiview Reconstruction>Batch Processing>Detect Interest Points for Registration
- Click OK in the open dialog
- In the next dialog, change the Type of interest point detection to Difference-of-Mean
- Type nuclei in the field Label interest points and click OK.
- In the next window, change the field Interest point specification to Advanced and click on OK
- In the next dialog, set Radius 1 to 3 and Radius 2 to 10 and click OK
- The software should find between 3000 and 6000 interest points per image.
- If this step was successful continue with the next step, otherwise try to change the settings.
- Go to Plugins>Multiview reconstruction>Batch Processing>Register Dataset based on Interest Points
- In the first window, make sure the Select XML text field shows the right path to your XML file, then click OK.
- In the window Basic Registration Parameters, make sure that Registration algorithm is set to Fast 3d geometric hashing (rotation invariant) and click OK.
- The next window shows more detailed registration parameters, for the first run, it is not recommended to change anything in this window. However, a non-successful registration can make changes necessary. Click on OK.

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- The same hold true for the next window, where the parameter Lambda has to be set.
 - Changes might only be necessary, if the registration was not successful. Click OK to start the registration.
 - The log window shows the progress of the registration process (<5 s). Once the registration is completed successfully, scroll up in the Log window to find the following line: (Wed Dec 09 15:18:56 CET 2015): [TP=0 angle=0, ch=0, illum=0 »> TP=0 angle=180, ch=0, illum=0]: Remaining inliers after RANSAC: 104 of 113 (92%) with average error 1.3099617057866355
 - The remaining inliers after RANSAC should be more than 30, the software needs only 12, however, anything below 30 is likely to give strange results during the fusion.
 - If the fusion was not successful, check the orientation of the embryos (180° rotation), or change the fusion parameters, however changing the fusion parameters often just allows for a higher error tolerance in registration, resulting in a positive registration, but in an awkward fusion.
 - If the fusion was successful continue with Plugins>Multiview Reconstruction>Batch Processing>Fuse/ Deconvolve dataset.
 - In the first window, make sure the Select XML text field shows the right path to your XML file, then click OK.
 - The window Image Fusion pops up. Select Weighted-average fusion as Type of image fusion; select Define manually for Bounding Box and Display using ImageJ for Fused image, then click OK.
 - In the next window move all Minimal and Maximal sliders to the respective minimum or maximum.
 - The slider Downsample fused dataset should be set to 1.

- The Pixel type can be set to 16-bit unsigned integer, as 32 bits are not necessary, and not as convenient as 16 bits.
- The other settings do not need to be changed, default values should be:
- IMGLib2 container: CellImg (large images).
- Process views in parallel: All.
- Blend images smoothly: True.
- Content-based fusion: False.
- Interpolation: Linear Interpolation.
- Start the fusion by clicking OK.

B | Scripts

The scripts used in this thesis were either written in Java, the ImageJ macro language or in Matlab, depending on their purpose. In general Matlab scripts were used for numerical analysis and visualizations of graphs, while ImageJ macros or plugins (Java) were used for image visualization. Scripts above 1000 lines were left out for size reasons, but can be found on the attached CD.

B.1 ImageJ plugins and macros

B.1.1 Furrow tracking macro

Filename: *CF-DF-Tracking_Intoto_Fixation.ijm* This ImageJ macro served as tracking program for the CF and the anterior as well as posterior DF. The way it works is explained in 5.2.2.

```
1 //*****Furrow macro*****
2 /*
3  * Set 7 Points per Furrow for a maximum of 3 Furrows
4  * on both sides.
5  * *****1-----2           6-----7--
6  *           -                 -
7  *           -                 -
8  *           -                 -
9  *           3-             -5
10 *           -----
11 *           -4-
12 * Use "alt" to skip a furrow and "space" to continue with the next timepoint (only if not all
13   42 points are set)
14 * Use "shift" for deleting the last point set.
15 * The center of all (set) previous (t-1) tracked furrows will be indicated by a dot to keep
16   track of volatile furrows.
17 */
```

B Scripts

```
18 //***** Variable initialization*****
19 flag = 0;
20 setColor(0,255,0);
21
22 dmX = newArray(7);
23 dmY = newArray(7);
24 dmZ = newArray(7);
25
26 X = newArray(42);
27 Y = newArray(42);
28 Z = newArray(42);
29 PFx = newArray(10);
30 PFy = newArray(10);
31 Array.fill(X,NaN);
32 Array.fill(Y,NaN);
33 Array.fill(Z,NaN);
34 Array.fill(PFx,NaN);
35 Array.fill(PFy,NaN);
36 i = 0;
37 //zSlice = 209;
38 //z = 209;
39 key = false;
40 embryo = "2015-12-10_Dmel_E08_Fusion_TRACK.tif";
41 angle = 0;
42 dmCounter = 0;
43
44 getDimensions(nX,nY,channels,nZ,frames);
45
46 //print("nX: "+nX+" nY: "+nY);
47
48 //*****
49
50 title = embryo;
51
52
53 if (angle==0) print("Started_embryo_"+embryo);
54
55 //***** Part 1*****
56 //Track dorsal midline
57 if (angle==0){
58 print("Track_the_dorsal_midline_by_setting_a_total_number_of_7_points_in_the_lateral_cross_
59 section_in_the_following_order.");
60 print("_1._Posterior_pole_2._PMG/Germband_posterior_edge_3._PMG/Germband_anterior_edge_4._
61 Posterior_dorsal_5._Anterior_dorsal_fold_6._Cephalic_furrow_7._Anterior_pole");
62
63 setSlice(nSlices/2);
64 run("Enhance_Contrast", "saturated=0.35");
65 run("Duplicate...", "duplicate");
66 run("RGB_Color");
67
68 while (dmCounter<7){
69
70 getCursorLoc(x,y,z,flag);
71
72 if (flag == 16){
73
74 setColor(250,200,0);
75 fillOval(x-1,y-1,3,3);
76 dmX[dmCounter] = x;
77 dmY[dmCounter] = y;
78 dmZ[dmCounter] = z;
79 wait(300);
80 dmCounter++;
81
82 }
```

```

80     flag = false;
81   }
82 }
83
84 print ("Ppole:_" + dmX[0] + "_" + dmY[0] + "_" + dmZ[0] + "_Germband_1:_" + dmX[1] + "_" + dmY[1] + "_" + dmZ[1] + "_" +
      Germband_2:_" + dmX[2] + "_" + dmY[2] + "_" + dmZ[2] + "_PDF:_" + dmX[3] + "_" + dmY[3] + "_" + dmZ[3] + "_ADF:_" +
      dmX[4] + "_" + dmY[4] + "_" + dmZ[4] + "_CF:_" + dmX[5] + "_" + dmY[5] + "_" + dmZ[5] + "_Apole:_" + dmX[6] + "_" +
      dmY[6] + "_" + dmZ[6] );
85 run ("Close");
86 }
87 //*****Part
      2*****
88
89 while (flag!=4 && angle<180){
90   selectWindow ( title );
91   run ("TransformJ_Rotate", "z-angle=0.0_y-angle=0.0_x-angle="+angle);
92   selectWindow ( title+"_rotated" );
93   setSlice (nSlices/2);
94   run ("Enhance_Contrast", "saturated=0.35");
95   run ("RGB_Color");
96   getCursorLoc (x,y,z,flag);
97   setSlice (nSlices/2);
98
99
100  run ("Enhance_Contrast", "saturated=0.35");
101  run ("Z_Project ...", "start="+ (nSlices()/2-5) + "_stop="+ (nSlices()/2+5) + "_projection=[Max_
      Intensity]");
102  selectWindow (title+"_rotated");
103  run ("Set ...", "zoom=150_x=565_y=336");
104
105
106
107  while (i<42 && !key){
108    getCursorLoc (x,y,z,flag);
109    key = false;
110    if (flag == 16){
111
112      if (i<21 && y>168){
113
114        if (i==0){
115          setColor (0,255,0);
116          fillRect (0,0,10,10);
117          i+=7;
118        }
119        if (i==7){
120          setColor (0,255,0);
121          fillRect (247,0,10,10);
122          i+=7;
123        }
124        if (i==14){
125          setColor (0,255,0);
126          fillRect (500,0,10,10);
127          i+=7;
128        }
129
130      }
131      setColor (0,255,0);
132      fillOval (x-1,y-1,3,3);
133      X[i] = x;
134      Y[i] = y;
135      Z[i] = z;
136      wait (300);
137      i++;
138    }

```

```

139 key = isKeyDown("space");
140 skip = isKeyDown("alt");
141 delete = isKeyDown("shift");
142 if (skip && (i==0 || i==7 || i==14 || i==21 || i==28 || i==35)){
143   for (k=i; k<i+7; k++){
144     X[k] = NaN;
145     Y[k] = NaN;
146     Z[k] = NaN;
147   }
148   if (i==0){
149     setColor(0,255,0);
150     fillRect(0,0,10,10);
151   }
152   else if (i==7){
153     setColor(0,255,0);
154     fillRect((nX/2),0,10,10);
155   }
156   else if (i==14){
157     setColor(0,255,0);
158     fillRect((nX-10),0,10,10);
159   }
160   else if (i==21){
161     setColor(0,255,0);
162     fillRect(0,(nY-10),10,10);
163   }
164   else if (i==28){
165     setColor(0,255,0);
166     fillRect((nX/2),(nY-10),10,10);
167   }
168   else if (i==35){
169     setColor(0,255,0);
170     fillRect((nX-10),(nY-10),10,10);
171   }
172
173
174   i = i+7;
175   wait(500);
176   skip = false;
177 }
178 if (delete){
179
180   delete = false;
181   setColor(255,0,0);
182   i--;
183   fillOval(X[i]-1,Y[i]-1,3,3);
184   setColor(0,255,0);
185   wait(500);
186
187 }
188 }
189
190 for (j=0; j<7; j++){
191   print ("Angle_" + angle + "_CF-1_" + X[j] + "_" + Y[j] + "_" + Z[j] + "_ADF-1_" + X[j+7] + "_" + Y[j+7] + "_" + Z[j+7] +
        _PDF-1_" + X[j+14] + "_" + Y[j+14] + "_" + Z[j+14] + "_CF-2_" + X[j+21] + "_" + Y[j+21] + "_" + Z[j+21] + "_ADF
        -2_" + X[j+28] + "_" + Y[j+28] + "_" + Z[j+28] + "_PDF-2_" + X[j+35] + "_" + Y[j+35] + "_" + Z[j+35]);
192 }
193
194 // Previous Furrow
195
196 for (k=0; k<20; k+=2){
197
198   if (X[k]>0){
199     PFx[k/2] = (X[k]+X[k+1])/2;
200     PFy[k/2] = (Y[k]+Y[k+1])/2;

```



```

201     }
202   }
203   Array.fill(X,NaN);
204   Array.fill(Y,NaN);
205   Array.fill(Z,NaN);
206   selectWindow(title+"_rotated");
207   run("Enhance_Contrast", "saturated=0.35");
208   run("Close");
209   selectWindow("MAX_"+title+"_rotated");
210   run("Close");
211   selectWindow(title);
212   angle+=2;
213
214   //run("RGB Color");
215   i = 0;
216   zSlice = z;
217   key = false;
218   wait(500);
219 }
220 print("Timepoint-completed");

```

B.1.2 GBE tracking macro

Filename: *Advanced_GBE_Tracking.ijm* This ImageJ macro served as tracking program for the GBE trajectory. The way it works is explained in 5.2.2.

```

1 //Accurate GBE Tracking Macro including left right assymetry of Posterior Pole
2
3
4 year = "2015";
5 month = "12";
6 day = "03";
7
8 species = "Dpse";
9
10 temperature = 18;
11
12 eNumber = 36;
13 dualNum = IJ.pad(eNumber,2);
14
15 base = "F:\\Lucas_SPE_Data\\Double_sided\\Pseudoobscura_18C\\";
16
17 pRadius = 2;
18 flag = 0;
19 dorsal = true;
20
21 TOP1 = 1000;
22 TOP2 = 1000;
23 TOP3 = 1000;
24
25
26
27 // 1. Part Left-Right Assymetry
28
29 open(base+year+"-"+month+"-"+day+"_Embryo_"+eNumber+"\\Tracking\\"+year+"-"+month+"-"+day+"_"+
    species+"_E"+dualNum+"_Fusion_TRACK.tif");
30
31 run("TransformJ_Turn", "z-angle=0_y-angle=0_x-angle=90");
32 run("Z_Project ...", "stop="+nSlices()/2+"_projection=[Max_Intensity]");
33 //setColor(0xFF0000);

```

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```
34
35 while(flag == 0){ //upper (image) posterior pole edge
36
37   getCursorLoc(x,y,z, flag);
38   if (flag == 16){
39
40     print(x+"_"+y+"_"+z);
41     fillRect(x-pRadius,y-pRadius,pRadius*2,pRadius*2);
42   }
43 }
44 wait(300);
45 getCursorLoc(x,y,z, flag);
46 while(flag == 0){ //lower (image) posterior pole edge
47
48   getCursorLoc(x,y,z, flag);
49   if (flag == 16){
50
51     print(x+"_"+y+"_"+z);
52     fillRect(x-pRadius,y-pRadius,pRadius*2,pRadius*2);
53   }
54 }
55 wait(300);
56 getCursorLoc(x,y,z, flag);
57 while(flag == 0){ //anterior pole edge
58
59   getCursorLoc(x,y,z, flag);
60   if (flag == 16){
61
62     print(x+"_"+y+"_"+z);
63     fillRect(x-pRadius,y-pRadius,pRadius*2,pRadius*2);
64   }
65 }
66
67 //run("Close All");
68
69 // 2. Part Salami Slices
70
71 run("Image_Sequence...", "open="+base+year+"-"+month+"-"+day+"_Embryo_"+eNumber+"\\"
72     Salami_projections\\Projection_1_to_20.tif_convert_to_rgb_sort");
73 setColor(0xFF0000);
74 n = 1;
75 Stack.getDimensions(nX, nY, nC, nZ, nT);
76
77 fixP1X = 0;
78 fixP1Y = nY/3*2;
79
80 fixP2X = nX/2;
81 fixP2Y = 0;
82
83 fixP3X = nX-1;
84 fixP3Y = nY/3*2;
85
86 while (n<nSlices()){
87   space = isKeyDown("Space");
88   shift = isKeyDown("Shift");
89   if (space){
90     break;
91   }
92   getCursorLoc(x,y,z, flag);
93
94   if (flag == 16){
95     //print("NaN NaN NaN "+x+" "+y+" "+z+" "+dorsal);
96     fillRect(x-pRadius,y-pRadius,pRadius*2,pRadius*2);
```

```

97  if (dorsal){
98      dorsal = false;
99      print("NaN_NaN_NaN_ "+x+"_ "+y+"_ "+z+"_ "+dorsal+"_NaN_NaN_NaN");
100 }
101 else{
102     dorsal = true;
103
104     //Define center and radius
105
106     for (yCount=0; yCount<nY; yCount++){
107         for (xCount=0; xCount<nX; xCount++){
108
109             if (getPixel(xCount,yCount)>-10000000 && getPixel(xCount,yCount)!=0xFF0000){
110                 vec1 = sqrt(pow((xCount-fixP1X),2)+pow((yCount-fixP1Y),2));
111                 vec2 = sqrt(pow((xCount-fixP2X),2)+pow((yCount-fixP2Y),2));
112                 vec3 = sqrt(pow((xCount-fixP3X),2)+pow((yCount-fixP3Y),2));
113
114                 if (vec1<TOP1){
115                     TOP1 = vec1;
116                     xTOP1 = xCount;
117                     yTOP1 = yCount;
118                 }
119                 else if (vec2<TOP2){
120                     TOP2 = vec2;
121                     xTOP2 = xCount;
122                     yTOP2 = yCount;
123                 }
124                 else if (vec3<TOP3){
125                     TOP3 = vec3;
126                     xTOP3 = xCount;
127                     yTOP3 = yCount;
128                 }
129             }
130         }
131     }
132     setColor(0x00FF00);
133     fillRect(xTOP1-pRadius,yTOP1-pRadius,pRadius*2,pRadius*2);
134     fillRect(xTOP2-pRadius,yTOP2-pRadius,pRadius*2,pRadius*2);
135     fillRect(xTOP3-pRadius,yTOP3-pRadius,pRadius*2,pRadius*2);
136     setColor(0xFF0000);
137     quotient = 2*(xTOP1*(yTOP2-yTOP3)+xTOP2*(yTOP3-yTOP1)+xTOP3*(yTOP1-yTOP2));
138     xM = ((pow(xTOP1,2)+pow(yTOP1,2))*(yTOP2-yTOP3)+(pow(xTOP2,2)+pow(yTOP2,2))*(yTOP3-
139     yTOP1)+(pow(xTOP3,2)+pow(yTOP3,2))*(yTOP1-yTOP2))/quotient;
140     yM = ((pow(xTOP1,2)+pow(yTOP1,2))*(xTOP3-xTOP2)+(pow(xTOP2,2)+pow(yTOP2,2))*(xTOP1-
141     xTOP3)+(pow(xTOP3,2)+pow(yTOP3,2))*(xTOP2-xTOP1))/quotient;
142     circleRadius = ((sqrt(pow((xM-xTOP1),2)+pow((yM-yTOP1),2))+sqrt(pow((xM-xTOP2),2)+pow((yM-
143     yTOP2),2))+sqrt(pow((xM-xTOP3),2)+pow((yM-yTOP3),2)))/3);
144
145     print("NaN_NaN_NaN_ "+x+"_ "+y+"_ "+z+"_ "+dorsal+"_ "+xM+"_ "+yM+"_ "+circleRadius);
146     n++;
147     setSlice(n);
148     TOP1 = 1000;
149     TOP2 = 1000;
150     TOP3 = 1000;
151 }
152 wait(250);
153 }
154 if (shift){
155     print("NaN_NaN_NaN_NaN_NaN_NaN_NaN_ "+dorsal+"_NaN_NaN_NaN");
156     if (dorsal) dorsal = false;
157     else{
158         dorsal = true;
159         n++;
160         setSlice(n);

```

```

158     }
159     wait(300);
160 }
161
162 }
163
164
165 //selectWindow("Log");
166 //run("Text...", "save="+base+year+"-"+month+"-"+day+"_Embryo_"+eNumber+"\\Tracking\\DV_GBELog_
    "+species+"_E"+eNumber+"_"+temperature+"C.txt");
167 //run("Close All");

```

B.1.3 Velocity visualization plugin

Filename: *Heat_map_stretched_AP_Dmel.java* This ImageJ plugin used the vectors from the Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV) pipeline and converted them into visual information using colors, and the absolute value of the vectors. The way it works is explained in section 5.2.3.

```

1  import ij.*;
2  import ij.process.*;
3  import ij.gui.*;
4  //import java.awt.*;
5  import ij.plugin.*;
6  import ij.plugin.frame.*;
7  import ij.ImagePlus.*;
8  import java.lang.*;
9  import java.util.*;
10 import java.io.*;
11 import ij.io.*;
12 import ij.gui.GenericDialog.*;
13
14 public class Heat_map_stretched_AP_Dmel implements PlugIn {
15
16     public String color_t1;
17     public String color_t0;
18
19     public void run(String arg) {
20
21         int nx, ny, nz, k, sFrame, eFrame;
22         boolean Frame1, smooth, seg, fForm, flatMap, ventralSide, dorsalSide, elongated;
23         boolean alreadyInside=false;
24         boolean furrow=false;
25         String inputPath, outputPath, zone;
26         double psiEntryThreshold, psiMainThreshold, axisEntryThreshold, axisMainThreshold,
            psiSwitchThreshold, axisSwitchThreshold;
27         double xCenter, yCenter, zCenter, xCenterS, yCenterS, zCenterS, quotient, xM, yM, xP1circ,
            yP1circ, xP2circ, yP2circ, xP3circ, yP3circ;
28         double circleRadius, radiusThreshold, distP1, distP2, distP3, topP1, topP2, topP3,
            radDiff;
29         double xP1, yP1, xP2, yP2, xP3, yP3;
30         int x_flat, y_flat;
31
32
33         GenericDialog inputParams = new GenericDialog("Conditional_4D_Cell_Flow_Visualization");
34         inputParams.addStringField("Enter_text_file_directory: ", "/media/Storm_RAID/Old_SPIM_data/
            Dmell/Turned_Raw_Data_and_Flow/",40);

```

```

35  inputParams.addStringField("Enter_output_directory:_", "/media/Storm_RAID/Lucas/Dmell/
      Speed_Heatmap/AP_Speed/AP_single/stretched/Run_4/", 40);
36  inputParams.addMessage("-----Dimensions-----")
      ;
37  inputParams.addNumericField("X-width:_", 400, 10);
38  inputParams.addNumericField("Y-width:_", 400, 10);
39  inputParams.addNumericField("Z-slices:_", 1024, 10);
40  inputParams.addNumericField("X-center_of_embryo:_", 200, 10);
41  inputParams.addNumericField("Y-center_of_embryo:_", 200, 10);
42  inputParams.addNumericField("Z-center_of_embryo:_", 512, 10);
43  inputParams.addNumericField("Starting_Frame:_", 50, 10);
44  inputParams.addNumericField("Last_Frame:_", 150, 10);
45  inputParams.addMessage("-----Visualization_parameters-----")
      ;
46  inputParams.addCheckbox("Create_flat_map_(needs_furrow_labeling)", false);
47  inputParams.addCheckbox("Cut_at_ventral_side_(needs_flat_map)", false);
48  inputParams.addCheckbox("Cut_at_dorsal_side_(needs_flat_map)", false);
49  inputParams.addCheckbox("Show_dorsal_side_as_elongation", false);
50
51  inputParams.showDialog();
52
53  if (inputParams.wasCanceled()){
54      return;
55  }
56
57  inputPath= inputParams.getNextString();
58  outputPath= inputParams.getNextString();
59  nx= (int) inputParams.getNextNumber();
60  ny= (int) inputParams.getNextNumber();
61  nz= (int) inputParams.getNextNumber();
62  xCenterS= inputParams.getNextNumber();
63  yCenterS= inputParams.getNextNumber();
64  zCenterS= inputParams.getNextNumber();
65  sFrame= (int) inputParams.getNextNumber();
66  eFrame= (int) inputParams.getNextNumber();
67  flatMap = inputParams.getNextBoolean();
68  ventralSide= inputParams.getNextBoolean();
69  dorsalSide= inputParams.getNextBoolean();
70  elongated= inputParams.getNextBoolean();
71
72  xP1 = 200;
73  yP1 = 0;
74      xP2 = 0;
75      yP2 = 300;
76      xP3 = 400;
77      yP3 = 300;
78
79      new File(outputPath+"3D_Embryo/").mkdirs();
80      new File(outputPath+"Ventral_split/").mkdirs();
81      new File(outputPath+"Dorsal_split/").mkdirs();
82      new File(outputPath+"Elongated/").mkdirs();
83
84  for (int j=sFrame; j<=eFrame; j++){
85
86      k=j-1;
87      ImagePlus Framet1_imp = IJ.createImage("Frame_"+j, "RGB_black", nx, ny, nz);
88      IJ.run(Framet1_imp, "8-bit_Color", "number=256");
89      //IJ.run("Threshold...");
90      IJ.setThreshold(Framet1_imp, 0, 255);
91      //IJ.run("Brightness/Contrast...");
92      IJ.run(Framet1_imp, "Apply_LUT", "stack");
93      IJ.run(Framet1_imp, "Fire", "");
94
95      ImagePlus flatFrameV_imp = IJ.createImage("flatFrameV_"+j, "RGB_black", 1200, 300, nz);

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```

96  IJ.run(FlatFrameV_imp, "8-bit_Color", "number=256");
97  //IJ.run("Threshold...");
98  IJ.setThreshold(FlatFrameV_imp, 0, 255);
99  //IJ.run("Brightness/Contrast...");
100 IJ.run(FlatFrameV_imp, "Apply_LUT", "stack");
101 IJ.run(FlatFrameV_imp, "Fire", "");
102
103 ImagePlus FlatFrameD_imp = IJ.createImage("FlatFrameD_"+j, "RGB_black", 1200, 300, nz);
104 IJ.run(FlatFrameD_imp, "8-bit_Color", "number=256");
105 //IJ.run("Threshold...");
106 IJ.setThreshold(FlatFrameD_imp, 0, 255);
107 //IJ.run("Brightness/Contrast...");
108 IJ.run(FlatFrameD_imp, "Apply_LUT", "stack");
109 IJ.run(FlatFrameD_imp, "Fire", "");
110
111 ImagePlus FlatFrameEl_imp = IJ.createImage("FlatFrameEl_"+j, "RGB_black", 1200, 300, 2*nz);
112 IJ.run(FlatFrameEl_imp, "8-bit_Color", "number=256");
113 //IJ.run("Threshold...");
114 IJ.setThreshold(FlatFrameEl_imp, 0, 255);
115 //IJ.run("Brightness/Contrast...");
116 IJ.run(FlatFrameEl_imp, "Apply_LUT", "stack");
117 IJ.run(FlatFrameEl_imp, "Fire", "");
118
119 ImageStack Framet1_is= Framet1_imp.getStack();
120
121 ImageStack FlatFrameV_is= FlatFrameV_imp.getStack();
122 ImageStack FlatFrameD_is= FlatFrameD_imp.getStack();
123 ImageStack FlatFrameEl_is= FlatFrameEl_imp.getStack();
124
125 File file = new File(inputPath+"Timepoint_t0_"+j+"/opticalFlow.txt");
126 Scanner filestring = null;
127 try {
128     filestring= new Scanner(file);
129 } catch (Exception ex) {
130 }
131 List<String> lines = new ArrayList<String>();
132
133 int xt1;
134 int yt1;
135 int zt1;
136 int val_t1;
137
138 xP1circ = 0;
139 yP1circ = 0;
140 xP2circ = 0;
141 yP2circ = 0;
142 xP3circ = 0;
143 yP3circ = 0;
144 radiusThreshold = 0;
145 xM=0;
146 yM=0;
147 xCenter=xCenterS;
148 yCenter=yCenterS;
149 zCenter=zCenterS;
150 topP1 = nx;
151 topP2 = nx;
152 topP3 = nx;
153 circleRadius=1;
154
155 int i=0;
156 for (int z=1; z<=nz; z++){
157
158     quotient = 2*(xP1circ*(yP2circ-yP3circ)+xP2circ*(yP3circ-yP1circ)+xP3circ*(yP1circ-yP2circ))
159         ;

```

```

159  xM = ((Math.pow(xP1circ,2)+Math.pow(yP1circ,2))*(yP2circ-yP3circ)+(Math.pow(xP2circ,2)+Math.
      pow(yP2circ,2))*(yP3circ-yP1circ)+(Math.pow(xP3circ,2)+Math.pow(yP3circ,2))*(yP1circ-
      yP2circ))/quotient;
160  yM = ((Math.pow(xP1circ,2)+Math.pow(yP1circ,2))*(xP3circ-xP2circ)+(Math.pow(xP2circ,2)+Math.
      pow(yP2circ,2))*(xP1circ-xP3circ)+(Math.pow(xP3circ,2)+Math.pow(yP3circ,2))*(xP2circ-
      xP1circ))/quotient;
161  circleRadius = Math.sqrt(Math.pow((xM-xP1circ),2)+Math.pow((yM-yP1circ),2));
162  radiusThreshold = circleRadius -20;
163  topP1 = nx;
164  topP2 = nx;
165  topP3 = nx;
166
167  for (int y=1; y<=ny; y++){
168
169      for (int x=1; x<=nx; x++){
170
171          String rows =filestring.nextLine();
172          String [] columns = rows.split("_");
173          double dx=Double.parseDouble(columns[0]);
174          double dy=Double.parseDouble(columns[1]);
175          double dz=Double.parseDouble(columns[2]);
176
177          if (dx!=0 || dy!=0 || dz!=0){
178
179              xt1 = x + (int) Math.round(dx);
180              yt1 = y + (int) Math.round(dy);
181              zt1 = z + (int) Math.round(dz);
182
183              //xCenter=xM;
184              //yCenter=yM;
185              xCenter=xCenterS;
186              yCenter=yCenterS;
187              zCenter=zCenterS;
188              double u=x-xCenter;
189              double v=y-yCenter;
190              double w=z-zCenter;
191
192              double dist_t0=Math.sqrt(Math.pow(v,2)+Math.pow(u,2));
193              double dist_t1=Math.sqrt(Math.pow((v+dy),2)+Math.pow((u+dx),2));
194              double ddist=dist_t1-dist_t0;
195
196              double psi_t0=Math.atan2(v,u);
197              double psi_t1=Math.atan2((v+dy),(u+dx));
198              double dpsi=Math.abs(psi_t1)-Math.abs(psi_t0);
199
200              double daxis=-dz;
201
202              //double slope=Math.abs(ddist/daxis);
203
204              //Furrow visualization with radii for each cross section
205
206              distP1=Math.sqrt(Math.pow((xt1-xP1),2)+Math.pow((yt1-yP1),2));
207              distP2=Math.sqrt(Math.pow((xt1-xP2),2)+Math.pow((yt1-yP2),2));
208              distP3=Math.sqrt(Math.pow((xt1-xP3),2)+Math.pow((yt1-yP3),2));
209
210
211              if (distP1<topP1){
212                  topP1 = distP1;
213                  xP1circ = xt1;
214                  yP1circ = yt1;
215              }
216              else if (distP2<topP2) {
217                  topP2 = distP2;
218                  xP2circ = xt1;

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```

219         yP2circ = yt1;
220     }
221     else if (distP3<topP3){
222         topP3 = distP3;
223         xP3circ = xt1;
224         yP3circ = yt1;
225     }
226
227     //Visualization start
228
229     if (dz>0){
230         val_t1= (int) (40*Math.sqrt(Math.pow(dz,2)));
231     }
232     else {
233         val_t1 = 0;
234     }
235
236     if (val_t1>254) {
237         val_t1=254;
238     }
239     Framet1_is.setVoxel(xt1,yt1,zt1,val_t1);
240
241     //Unrolling of embryo
242     psi_t1 = psi_t1 + Math.PI/2;
243     if(psi_t1 > (Math.PI)){
244         psi_t1 = psi_t1 - 2 * Math.PI;
245     }
246     if (flatMap && ventralSide){
247         x_flat = 600 + (int) ((psi_t1)*157);
248         radDiff = circleRadius-dist_t1;
249         y_flat = 100 + (int) (radDiff);
250         flatFrameV_is.setVoxel(x_flat, y_flat, zt1, val_t1);
251     }
252     psi_t1 = psi_t1 - Math.PI/2;
253     if(psi_t1 < (-Math.PI)){
254         psi_t1 = psi_t1 + 2 * Math.PI;
255     }
256     if (flatMap && dorsalSide){
257         if (psi_t1<0) x_flat = 600 + (int) ((-Math.PI-psi_t1)*157);
258         else x_flat = 600 + (int) ((Math.PI-psi_t1)*157);
259         radDiff = circleRadius-dist_t1;
260         y_flat = 100 + (int) (radDiff);
261         flatFrameD_is.setVoxel(x_flat, y_flat, zt1, val_t1);
262     }
263     if (flatMap && elongated){
264         if (psi_t1<0) x_flat = 600 + (int) ((-Math.PI-psi_t1)*157);
265         else x_flat = 600 + (int) ((Math.PI-psi_t1)*157);
266         radDiff = circleRadius-dist_t1;
267         y_flat = 100 + (int) (radDiff);
268         flatFrameEl_is.setVoxel(x_flat, y_flat, zt1, val_t1);
269
270         if (x>168) {
271             x_flat = 600 + (int) ((psi_t1)*157);
272             radDiff = circleRadius-dist_t1;
273             y_flat = 100 + (int) (radDiff);
274             flatFrameEl_is.setVoxel(x_flat, y_flat, 1850-zt1, val_t1);
275         }
276     }
277 }
278 }
279 }
280 }
281
282

```



```

283 IJ.saveAs(Frame1_imp, "Tiff", outputPath+"3D_Embryo/Frame_"+j+".tif");
284
285 if (flatMap && ventralSide){
286 IJ.saveAs(flatFrameV_imp, "Tiff", outputPath+"Ventral_split/flatFrameV_"+j+".tif");
287 }
288
289 if (flatMap && dorsalSide){
290 IJ.saveAs(flatFrameD_imp, "Tiff", outputPath+"Dorsal_split/flatFrameD_"+j+".tif");
291 }
292 if (flatMap && elongated){
293 IJ.saveAs(flatFrameEl_imp, "Tiff", outputPath+"Elongated/flatFrameEl_"+j+".tif");
294 }
295
296 }
297 }
298 }

```

B.1.4 Direction visualization plugin

Filename: *Conditional_Spectrum.java* This ImageJ plugin used the vectors from the PIV pipeline and converted them into visual information using colors, and the main direction of the vectors. The way it works is explained in section 5.2.3.

```

1 import ij.*;
2 import ij.process.*;
3 import ij.gui.*;
4 //import java.awt.*;
5 import ij.plugin.*;
6 import ij.plugin.frame.*;
7 import ij.ImagePlus.*;
8 import java.lang.*;
9 import java.util.*;
10 import java.io.*;
11 import ij.io.*;
12 import ij.gui.GenericDialog.*;
13
14 public class Conditional_Spectrum implements PlugIn {
15
16     public String color_t1;
17     public String color_t0;
18
19     public void run(String arg) {
20
21         int nx, ny, nz, k, sFrame, eFrame;
22         boolean Frame1, fForm, flatMap, ventralSide, dorsalSide, elongated;
23         boolean alreadyInside=false;
24         boolean furrow=false;
25         String inputPath, outputPath, zone;
26         double psiEntryThreshold, psiMainThreshold, axisEntryThreshold, axisMainThreshold,
27             psiSwitchThreshold, axisSwitchThreshold;
28         double xCenter, yCenter, zCenter, xCenterS, yCenterS, zCenterS, quotient, xM, yM, xP1circ,
29             yP1circ, xP2circ, yP2circ, xP3circ, yP3circ;
30         double circleRadius, radiusThreshold, distP1, distP2, distP3, topP1, topP2, topP3,
31             radDiff;
32         double xP1, yP1, xP2, yP2, xP3, yP3;
33         int x_flat, y_flat;
34         int colorID_t0, colorID_t1, preColorID_t0, postColorID_t1, colorCounter_t0,
35             colorCounter_t1;
36         double colorSecValue_t1, colorSecValue_t0;

```

```

33
34 GenericDialog inputParams = new GenericDialog("Conditional_4D_Cell_Flow_Visualization");
35 inputParams.addStringField("Enter_text_file_directory:", "/media/AG_Lemke3/Dmel1/
    Turned_Raw_Data_and_Flow/",40);
36 inputParams.addStringField("Enter_output_directory:", "/media/Volume/Dmel/Dmel_Flow/Run_2/",
    40);
37 inputParams.addMessage("-----Dimensions-----")
    ;
38 inputParams.addNumericField("X-width:", 400, 10);
39 inputParams.addNumericField("Y-width:", 400, 10);
40 inputParams.addNumericField("Z-slices:", 1024, 10);
41 inputParams.addNumericField("X-center_of_embryo:", 200, 10);
42 inputParams.addNumericField("Y-center_of_embryo:", 200, 10);
43 inputParams.addNumericField("Z-center_of_embryo:", 512, 10);
44 inputParams.addNumericField("Starting_Frame:", 50, 10);
45 inputParams.addNumericField("Last_Frame:", 150, 10);
46 inputParams.addCheckbox("First_Frame", true);
47 inputParams.addMessage("-----Visualization_parameters-----")
    ;
48 inputParams.addNumericField("Delta_psi_entry_Threshold:", 0.005, 10);
49 inputParams.addNumericField("Delta_psi_main_Threshold:", 0.002, 10);
50 inputParams.addNumericField("Delta_axis_entry_Threshold:", 0.5, 10);
51 inputParams.addNumericField("Delta_axis_main_Threshold:", 0.2, 10);
52 inputParams.addNumericField("Delta_psi_switch_color_Threshold:", 0.005, 10);
53 inputParams.addNumericField("Delta_axis_switch_color_Threshold:", 0.5, 10);
54 inputParams.addCheckbox("Enable_furrow_labeling", false);
55 inputParams.addCheckbox("Create_flat_map_(needs_furrow_labeling)", false);
56 inputParams.addCheckbox("Cut_at_ventral_side_(needs_flat_map)", false);
57 inputParams.addCheckbox("Cut_at_dorsal_side_(needs_flat_map)", false);
58 inputParams.addCheckbox("Show_dorsal_side_as_elongation", false);
59
60 inputParams.showDialog();
61
62 if (inputParams.wasCanceled()){
63     return;
64 }
65
66 inputPath= inputParams.getNextString();
67 outputPath= inputParams.getNextString();
68 nx= (int) inputParams.getNextNumber();
69 ny= (int) inputParams.getNextNumber();
70 nz= (int) inputParams.getNextNumber();
71 xCenterS= inputParams.getNextNumber();
72 yCenterS= inputParams.getNextNumber();
73 zCenterS= inputParams.getNextNumber();
74 sFrame= (int) inputParams.getNextNumber();
75 eFrame= (int) inputParams.getNextNumber();
76 Frame1= inputParams.getNextBoolean();
77 psiEntryThreshold= inputParams.getNextNumber();
78 psiMainThreshold= inputParams.getNextNumber();
79 axisEntryThreshold= inputParams.getNextNumber();
80 axisMainThreshold= inputParams.getNextNumber();
81 psiSwitchThreshold= inputParams.getNextNumber();
82 axisSwitchThreshold= inputParams.getNextNumber();
83 fForm= inputParams.getNextBoolean();
84 flatMap = inputParams.getNextBoolean();
85 ventralSide= inputParams.getNextBoolean();
86 dorsalSide= inputParams.getNextBoolean();
87 elongated= inputParams.getNextBoolean();
88
89 xP1 = 200;
90     yP1 = 0;
91     xP2 = 0;
92     yP2 = 279;

```

```

93     xP3 = 336;
94     yP3 = 279;
95
96     new File(outputPath+"3D_Embryo/").mkdirs();
97     new File(outputPath+"Ventral_split/").mkdirs();
98     new File(outputPath+"Dorsal_split/").mkdirs();
99     new File(outputPath+"Elongated/").mkdirs();
100
101     for (int j=sFrame; j<=eFrame; j++){
102
103         k=j-1;
104         ImagePlus Framet1_imp = IJ.createImage("Frame_"+j, "RGB_black", nx, ny, nz);
105         IJ.run(Framet1_imp, "8-bit_Color", "number=256");
106         //IJ.run("Threshold...");
107         IJ.setThreshold(Framet1_imp, 0, 255);
108         //IJ.run("Brightness/Contrast...");
109         IJ.run(Framet1_imp, "Apply_LUT", "stack");
110         IJ.run(Framet1_imp, "12_colors_ramp", "");
111
112         ImagePlus flatFrameV_imp = IJ.createImage("flatFrameV_"+j, "RGB_black", 1300, 200, nz);
113         IJ.run(flatFrameV_imp, "8-bit_Color", "number=256");
114         //IJ.run("Threshold...");
115         IJ.setThreshold(flatFrameV_imp, 0, 255);
116         //IJ.run("Brightness/Contrast...");
117         IJ.run(flatFrameV_imp, "Apply_LUT", "stack");
118         IJ.run(flatFrameV_imp, "12_colors_ramp", "");
119
120         ImagePlus flatFrameD_imp = IJ.createImage("flatFrameD_"+j, "RGB_black", 1300, 200, nz);
121         IJ.run(flatFrameD_imp, "8-bit_Color", "number=256");
122         //IJ.run("Threshold...");
123         IJ.setThreshold(flatFrameD_imp, 0, 255);
124         //IJ.run("Brightness/Contrast...");
125         IJ.run(flatFrameD_imp, "Apply_LUT", "stack");
126         IJ.run(flatFrameD_imp, "12_colors_ramp", "");
127
128         ImagePlus flatFrameEl_imp = IJ.createImage("flatFrameEl_"+j, "RGB_black", 1300, 200, 2*nz);
129         IJ.run(flatFrameEl_imp, "8-bit_Color", "number=256");
130         //IJ.run("Threshold...");
131         IJ.setThreshold(flatFrameEl_imp, 0, 255);
132         //IJ.run("Brightness/Contrast...");
133         IJ.run(flatFrameEl_imp, "Apply_LUT", "stack");
134         IJ.run(flatFrameEl_imp, "12_colors_ramp", "");
135
136         ImageStack Framet1_is= Framet1_imp.getStack();
137
138         ImageStack flatFrameV_is= flatFrameV_imp.getStack();
139         ImageStack flatFrameD_is= flatFrameD_imp.getStack();
140         ImageStack flatFrameEl_is= flatFrameEl_imp.getStack();
141
142         //int[] pixels_t1=(int[])Framet1_is.getPixels();
143
144         String path = (outputPath+"3D_Embryo/Frame_"+k+"".tif");
145         ImagePlus imp = (Frame1 == false) ? IJ.openImage(path) : null;
146         ImageStack Framet0_is = null;
147         try {
148             Framet0_is = imp.getImageStack();
149         } catch (NullPointerException ex) {
150             IJ.log("Couldn't open file at " + path);
151         }
152         //ImagePlus Framet0_imp=IJ.openImage(path);
153         //ImageStack Framet0_is=Framet0_imp.getStack();
154         //int pixels_t0[]={(int[])Framet0_is.getPixels()};
155         //add 8bitC procedure if necessary
156

```

B Scripts

```
157 //File file = new File(inputPath+"Timepoint_t0_"+j+"/opticalFlow.txt");
158 File file = new File(inputPath+"Timepoint_t0_"+j+"/opticalFlow.txt");
159 Scanner filestring = null;
160 try {
161     filestring= new Scanner(file);
162 } catch (Exception ex) {
163 }
164 List<String> lines = new ArrayList<String>();
165
166 int xt1;
167 int yt1;
168 int zt1;
169 int val_t1;
170
171 xP1circ = 0;
172     yP1circ = 0;
173     xP2circ = 0;
174     yP2circ = 0;
175     xP3circ = 0;
176     yP3circ = 0;
177     radiusThreshold = 0;
178     xM=0;
179     yM=0;
180 xCenter=xCenterS;
181     yCenter=yCenterS;
182     zCenter=zCenterS;
183 topP1 = nx;
184     topP2 = nx;
185     topP3 = nx;
186     circleRadius=1;
187
188 int i=0;
189 for (int z=1; z<=nz; z++){
190
191     quotient = 2*(xP1circ*(yP2circ-yP3circ)+xP2circ*(yP3circ-yP1circ)+xP3circ*(
192         yP1circ-yP2circ));
193     xM = ((Math.pow(xP1circ,2)+Math.pow(yP1circ,2))*(yP2circ-yP3circ)+(Math.pow(
194         xP2circ,2)+Math.pow(yP2circ,2))*(yP3circ-yP1circ)+(Math.pow(xP3circ,2)+
195         Math.pow(yP3circ,2))*(yP1circ-yP2circ))/quotient;
196     yM = ((Math.pow(xP1circ,2)+Math.pow(yP1circ,2))*(xP3circ-xP2circ)+(Math.pow(
197         xP2circ,2)+Math.pow(yP2circ,2))*(xP1circ-xP3circ)+(Math.pow(xP3circ,2)+
198         Math.pow(yP3circ,2))*(xP2circ-xP1circ))/quotient;
199
200     circleRadius = Math.sqrt(Math.pow((xM-xP1circ),2)+Math.pow((yM-yP1circ),2));
201     radiusThreshold = circleRadius -20;
202
203     topP1 = nx;
204     topP2 = nx;
205     topP3 = nx;
206
207 for (int y=1; y<=ny; y++){
208
209     for (int x=1; x<=nx; x++){
210
211         String rows =filestring.nextLine();
212         String[] columns = rows.split("_");
213         double dx=Double.parseDouble(columns[0]);
214         double dy=Double.parseDouble(columns[1]);
215         double dz=Double.parseDouble(columns[2]);
216
217         if (dx!=0 || dy!=0 || dz!=0){
```

```

216     xt1 = x + (int) Math.round(dx);
217     yt1 = y + (int) Math.round(dy);
218     zt1 = z + (int) Math.round(dz);
219
220     xCenter=xM;
221     yCenter=yM;
222
223     //IJ.log("dX: "+dx+" dY: "+dy+" dZ: "+dz+" Z: "+z);
224
225     double u=x-xCenter;
226     double v=y-yCenter;
227     double w=z-zCenter;
228
229     double dist_t0=Math.sqrt(Math.pow(v,2)+Math.pow(u,2));
230     double dist_t1=Math.sqrt(Math.pow((v+dy),2)+Math.pow((u+dx),2));
231     double ddist=dist_t1-dist_t0;
232
233     double psi_t0=Math.atan2(v,u);
234     double psi_t1=Math.atan2((v+dy),(u+dx));
235     double dpsi=Math.abs(psi_t1)-Math.abs(psi_t0);
236
237     double daxis=-dz;
238
239     double circleTracklength = dpsi * (dist_t0+dist_t1)/2;
240     double colorSector = Math.atan2(-circleTracklength,-daxis);
241
242     //double slope=Math.abs(ddist/daxis);
243
244     //Furrow visualization with radii for each cross section
245
246
247     distP1=Math.sqrt(Math.pow((xt1-xP1),2)+Math.pow((yt1-yP1),2));
248     distP2=Math.sqrt(Math.pow((xt1-xP2),2)+Math.pow((yt1-yP2),2));
249     distP3=Math.sqrt(Math.pow((xt1-xP3),2)+Math.pow((yt1-yP3),2));
250
251
252     if (distP1<topP1){
253         topP1 = distP1;
254         xP1circ = xt1;
255         yP1circ = yt1;
256     }
257     else if (distP2<topP2) {
258         topP2 = distP2;
259         xP2circ = xt1;
260         yP2circ = yt1;
261     }
262     else if (distP3<topP3){
263         topP3 = distP3;
264         xP3circ = xt1;
265         yP3circ = yt1;
266     }
267
268
269     //Visualization start
270
271     val_t1 = 0;
272
273
274     String color_t1 = null;
275     String color_t0 = null;
276     if (Framet==false){
277
278         //Framet0_is.setSlice(z);
279         int val_t0 = (int) Framet0_is.getVoxel(x,y,z);

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```
280
281 //Color table
282
283
284 preColorID_t0 = (int)Math.floor(val_t0/16);
285 colorSecValue_t0 = 0;
286
287 switch (preColorID_t0) {
288
289     case 0: colorID_t0 = 0;
290
291         break;
292     case 1: colorID_t0 = 0;
293
294         break;
295     case 2: colorID_t0 = 1;
296         colorSecValue_t0 = 0;
297         break;
298     case 3: colorID_t0 = 0;
299
300         break;
301     case 4: colorID_t0 = 2;
302         colorSecValue_t0 = Math.PI*1/6;
303         break;
304     case 5: colorID_t0 = 3;
305         colorSecValue_t0 = Math.PI*2/6;
306         break;
307     case 6: colorID_t0 = 4;
308         colorSecValue_t0 = Math.PI*3/6;
309         break;
310     case 7: colorID_t0 = 6;
311         colorSecValue_t0 = Math.PI*5/6;
312         break;
313     case 8: colorID_t0 = 7;
314         colorSecValue_t0 = -Math.PI;
315         break;
316     case 9: colorID_t0 = 5;
317         colorSecValue_t0 = Math.PI*4/6;
318         break;
319     case 10: colorID_t0 = 8;
320         colorSecValue_t0 = -Math.PI*5/6;
321         break;
322     case 11: colorID_t0 = 9;
323         colorSecValue_t0 = -Math.PI*4/6;
324         break;
325     case 12: colorID_t0 = 10;
326         colorSecValue_t0 = -Math.PI*3/6;
327         break;
328     case 13: colorID_t0 = 11;
329         colorSecValue_t0 = -Math.PI*2/6;
330         break;
331     case 14: colorID_t0 = 12;
332         colorSecValue_t0 = -Math.PI*1/6;
333         break;
334     case 15: colorID_t0 = 13;
335
336         break;
337
338     default: colorID_t0 = 0;
339         colorSecValue_t0 = 0;
340
341         break;
342
343 }
```

```

344
345     colorCounter_t0 = val_t0%16;
346
347     boolean chigh1=false;
348     boolean chigh2=false;
349     boolean penalty=false;
350     boolean assignment=false;
351
352     //check and assign preliminary color tag for t1
353     colorID_t1 = 13;
354     colorCounter_t1 = 0;
355
356     if (Math.abs(dpsi)>psiEntryThreshold || Math.abs(daxis)>axisEntryThreshold ||
357         colorCounter_t0>=3){
358
359         if ((colorSector>=Math.PI && colorSector<-Math.PI*11/12) || (colorSector<=Math.PI &&
360             colorSector>=Math.PI*11/12)){
361             colorID_t1 = 7;
362             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI;
363         }
364         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*11/12 && colorSector<-Math.PI*9/12){
365             colorID_t1 = 8;
366             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI*5/6;
367         }
368         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*9/12 && colorSector<-Math.PI*7/12){
369             colorID_t1 = 9;
370             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI*4/6;
371         }
372         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*7/12 && colorSector<-Math.PI*5/12){
373             colorID_t1 = 10;
374             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI*3/6;
375         }
376         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*5/12 && colorSector<-Math.PI*3/12){
377             colorID_t1 = 11;
378             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI*2/6;
379         }
380         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*3/12 && colorSector<-Math.PI*1/12){
381             colorID_t1 = 12;
382             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI*1/6;
383         }
384         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*1/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*1/12){
385             colorID_t1 = 1;
386             colorSecValue_t1 = 0;
387         }
388         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*1/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*3/12){
389             colorID_t1 = 2;
390             colorSecValue_t1 = Math.PI*1/6;
391         }
392         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*3/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*5/12){
393             colorID_t1 = 3;
394             colorSecValue_t1 = Math.PI*2/6;
395         }
396         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*5/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*7/12){
397             colorID_t1 = 4;
398             colorSecValue_t1 = Math.PI*3/6;
399         }
400         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*7/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*9/12){
401             colorID_t1 = 5;
402             colorSecValue_t1 = Math.PI*4/6;
403         }
404         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*9/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*11/12){
405             colorID_t1 = 6;
406             colorSecValue_t1 = Math.PI*5/6;
407         }

```

```

406
407 //Comparison with t0 and assignement of final color tag
408
409 if (colorID_t0 == colorID_t1){
410
411     colorCounter_t1 = colorCounter_t0 + 1;
412     if (colorCounter_t1 >= 5) colorCounter_t1 = 5;
413 }
414 else if (colorID_t0 == 0 || colorID_t0 == 13){
415
416     colorCounter_t1 = 0;
417 }
418 else if (colorID_t1 != colorID_t0){
419
420 if ((Math.abs(colorID_t1-colorID_t0) == 1 || Math.abs(colorID_t1-colorID_t0) == 11) &&
    colorID_t0 != 7){
421
422 if (colorSecValue_t0 - 0.43633 < colorSector && colorSector < colorSecValue_t0 +
    0.43633){
423
424     colorID_t1 = colorID_t0;
425     colorCounter_t1 = colorCounter_t0;
426 }
427 else if (colorCounter_t0 >= 5){
428
429     colorID_t1 = colorID_t0;
430     colorCounter_t1 = 0;
431 }
432 else{
433     colorID_t1 = 13;
434     colorCounter_t1 = 0;
435 }
436 }
437 else if (Math.abs(colorID_t1-colorID_t0) == 1 && colorID_t0 == 7){
438
439 if ((-Math.PI <= colorSector && colorSector < -Math.PI + 0.43633) || (Math.PI -
    0.43633 < colorSector && colorSector <= Math.PI)){
440
441     colorID_t1 = colorID_t0;
442     colorCounter_t1 = colorCounter_t0;
443 }
444 else if (colorCounter_t0 >= 5){
445
446     colorID_t1 = colorID_t0;
447     colorCounter_t1 = 0;
448 }
449 else{
450     colorID_t1 = 13;
451     colorCounter_t1 = 0;
452 }
453 }
454 }
455 }
456 else {
457     colorID_t1 = 13;
458     colorCounter_t1 = 0;
459 }
460 }
461 else {
462     colorID_t1 = 13;
463     if (Math.abs(dpsi) > psiEntryThreshold || Math.abs(daxis) > axisEntryThreshold){
464
465         colorCounter_t1 = 0;
466

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```

467         if ((colorSector>=Math.PI && colorSector<-Math.PI*11/12) || (colorSector<=Math.PI &&
468             colorSector>=Math.PI*11/12)){
469             colorID_t1 = 7;
470             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI;
471         }
472         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*11/12 && colorSector<-Math.PI*9/12){
473             colorID_t1 = 8;
474             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI*5/6;
475         }
476         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*9/12 && colorSector<-Math.PI*7/12){
477             colorID_t1 = 9;
478             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI*4/6;
479         }
480         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*7/12 && colorSector<-Math.PI*5/12){
481             colorID_t1 = 10;
482             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI*3/6;
483         }
484         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*5/12 && colorSector<-Math.PI*3/12){
485             colorID_t1 = 11;
486             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI*2/6;
487         }
488         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*3/12 && colorSector<-Math.PI*1/12){
489             colorID_t1 = 12;
490             colorSecValue_t1 = -Math.PI*1/6;
491         }
492         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*1/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*1/12){
493             colorID_t1 = 1;
494             colorSecValue_t1 = 0;
495         }
496         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*1/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*3/12){
497             colorID_t1 = 2;
498             colorSecValue_t1 = Math.PI*1/6;
499         }
500         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*3/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*5/12){
501             colorID_t1 = 3;
502             colorSecValue_t1 = Math.PI*2/6;
503         }
504         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*5/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*7/12){
505             colorID_t1 = 4;
506             colorSecValue_t1 = Math.PI*3/6;
507         }
508         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*7/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*9/12){
509             colorID_t1 = 5;
510             colorSecValue_t1 = Math.PI*4/6;
511         }
512         else if (colorSector>=Math.PI*9/12 && colorSector<Math.PI*11/12){
513             colorID_t1 = 6;
514             colorSecValue_t1 = Math.PI*5/6;
515         }
516     }
517     else {
518         colorCounter_t1 = 0;
519         colorID_t1 = 13;
520     }
521     //Convert to LUT
522
523     switch (colorID_t1){
524
525         case 1: postColorID_t1 = 32;
526             break;
527         case 2: postColorID_t1 = 64;
528             break;
529         case 3: postColorID_t1 = 80;

```

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530         break;
531     case 4: postColorID_t1 = 96;
532         break;
533     case 5: postColorID_t1 = 144;
534         break;
535     case 6: postColorID_t1 = 112;
536         break;
537     case 7: postColorID_t1 = 128;
538         break;
539     case 8: postColorID_t1 = 160;
540         break;
541     case 9: postColorID_t1 = 176;
542         break;
543     case 10: postColorID_t1 = 192;
544         break;
545     case 11: postColorID_t1 = 208;
546         break;
547     case 12: postColorID_t1 = 224;
548         break;
549     case 13: postColorID_t1 = 240;
550         break;
551
552     default: postColorID_t1 = 0;
553         break;
554 }
555 val_t1 = postColorID_t1 + colorCounter_t1;
556
557     Framet1_is.setVoxel(xt1,yt1,zt1,val_t1);
558
559     //Unrolling of embryo
560     /* if (flatMap && ventralSide){
561         x_flat = 650 + (int) ((psi_t1)*circleRadius);
562         radDiff = circleRadius-dist_t1;
563         y_flat = 100 + (int) (radDiff);
564         flatFrameV_is.setVoxel(x_flat, y_flat, zt1, val_t1);
565     }*/
566
567     if (flatMap && dorsalSide){
568         if (psi_t1<0) x_flat = 650 + (int) ((-Math.PI-psi_t1)*circleRadius);
569         else x_flat = 650 + (int) ((Math.PI-psi_t1)*circleRadius);
570         radDiff = circleRadius-dist_t1;
571         y_flat = 100 + (int) (radDiff);
572         flatFrameD_is.setVoxel(x_flat, y_flat, zt1, val_t1);
573     }
574
575     if (flatMap && elongated){
576
577
578         if (psi_t1<0) x_flat = 650 + (int) ((-Math.PI-psi_t1)*circleRadius);
579         else x_flat = 650 + (int) ((Math.PI-psi_t1)*circleRadius);
580         radDiff = circleRadius-dist_t1;
581         y_flat = 100 + (int) (radDiff);
582         flatFrameEl_is.setVoxel(x_flat, y_flat, zt1, val_t1);
583
584         if (x>168) {
585             x_flat = 650 + (int) ((psi_t1)*circleRadius);
586             radDiff = circleRadius-dist_t1;
587             y_flat = 100 + (int) (radDiff);
588             flatFrameEl_is.setVoxel(x_flat, y_flat, 1850-zt1, val_t1);
589         }
590     }
591 }
592
593 }
```

```

594     }
595
596     }
597     //pixels_t1[i]=(int) val_t1;
598     //Framet1_is.setSlice(zt1);
599
600     IJ.saveAs(Framet1_imp, "Tiff", outputPath+"3D_Embryo/Frame_"+j+".tif");
601
602     if (flatMap && ventralSide){
603         IJ.saveAs(flatFrameV_imp, "Tiff", outputPath+"Ventral_split/flatFrameV_"+j+".tif");
604     }
605
606     if (flatMap && dorsalSide){
607         IJ.saveAs(flatFrameD_imp, "Tiff", outputPath+"Dorsal_split/flatFrameD_"+j+".tif");
608     }
609     if (flatMap && elongated){
610         //IJ.saveAs(flatFrameEL_imp, "Tiff", outputPath+"Elongated/flatFrameEL_"+j+".tif");
611     }
612     Frame1=false;
613     }
614 }
615 }

```

B.1.5 Track visualization plugin

B.2 Matlab scripts

The following section contains the Matlab scripts used in this thesis. Some of these scripts make use of the geom3d [Legland, 2016].

B.2.1 Furrow analysis

To be found on the CD (>1000 lines). The furrow tracking analysis script was used to match the tracked points of each furrow back to the embryo and calculate the required parameters. The main steps are listed in the method section.

B.2.2 Embryo parameters

The Embryo parameters script made further use of the furrow tracking data, was used to calculate distances between several interest points, as well as size and extension of certain structures.

```

1 % Systemic Furrow system analysis
2 %
3 %This software is used to do a step by step analysis of the network
4 %underlying the furrow system, to unravel the hidden connections.

```

B Scripts

```
5 %
6 %Input: Furrow Arrays from Furrowdepth fixed
7 %
8 %
9 %
10 %Output: CF-Angle, DF-AP-Extension, Fold-depth, Fold position
11
12 aBegDF = 85
13
14 aEndDF = 95
15
16 aBegCF = 30
17
18 aEndCF = 50
19
20
21 %*****Dmel*****
22
23
24 %Simple Depth
25
26 adfArrayMel(:,23,:) = sqrt(((adfArrayMel(:,5,:)+adfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2-adfArrayMel(:,11,:)).^2
+ ((adfArrayMel(:,6,:)+adfArrayMel(:,18,:))/2-adfArrayMel(:,12,:)).^2 + ((adfArrayMel
(:,7,:)+adfArrayMel(:,19,:))/2-adfArrayMel(:,13,:)).^2);
27 pdfArrayMel(:,23,:) = sqrt(((pdfArrayMel(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2-pdfArrayMel(:,11,:)).^2
+ ((pdfArrayMel(:,6,:)+pdfArrayMel(:,18,:))/2-pdfArrayMel(:,12,:)).^2 + ((pdfArrayMel
(:,7,:)+pdfArrayMel(:,19,:))/2-pdfArrayMel(:,13,:)).^2);
28 cfArrayMel(:,23,:) = sqrt(((cfArrayMel(:,5,:)+cfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2-cfArrayMel(:,11,:)).^2 +
((cfArrayMel(:,6,:)+cfArrayMel(:,18,:))/2-cfArrayMel(:,12,:)).^2 + ((cfArrayMel(:,7,:)+
cfArrayMel(:,19,:))/2-cfArrayMel(:,13,:)).^2);
29
30
31 %Advanced Depth
32
33 adfArrayMel(:,24,:) = sqrt((adfArrayMel(:,8,:)-adfArrayMel(:,5,:)).^2+(adfArrayMel(:,9,:)-
adfArrayMel(:,6,:)).^2+(adfArrayMel(:,10,:)-adfArrayMel(:,7,:)).^2) + sqrt((adfArrayMel
(:,11,:)-adfArrayMel(:,8,:)).^2+(adfArrayMel(:,12,:)-adfArrayMel(:,9,:)).^2+(adfArrayMel
(:,13,:)-adfArrayMel(:,10,:)).^2);
34 adfArrayMel(:,25,:) = sqrt((adfArrayMel(:,17,:)-adfArrayMel(:,14,:)).^2+(adfArrayMel(:,18,:)-
adfArrayMel(:,15,:)).^2+(adfArrayMel(:,19,:)-adfArrayMel(:,16,:)).^2) + sqrt((adfArrayMel
(:,14,:)-adfArrayMel(:,11,:)).^2+(adfArrayMel(:,15,:)-adfArrayMel(:,12,:)).^2+(adfArrayMel
(:,16,:)-adfArrayMel(:,13,:)).^2);
35 adfArrayMel(:,26,:) = (adfArrayMel(:,24,:)+adfArrayMel(:,24,:))/2;
36
37 pdfArrayMel(:,24,:) = sqrt((pdfArrayMel(:,8,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,5,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMel(:,9,:)-
pdfArrayMel(:,6,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMel(:,10,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,7,:)).^2) + sqrt((pdfArrayMel
(:,11,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,8,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMel(:,12,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,9,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMel
(:,13,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,10,:)).^2);
38 pdfArrayMel(:,25,:) = sqrt((pdfArrayMel(:,17,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,14,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMel(:,18,:)-
pdfArrayMel(:,15,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMel(:,19,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,16,:)).^2) + sqrt((pdfArrayMel
(:,14,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,11,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMel(:,15,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,12,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMel
(:,16,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,13,:)).^2);
39 pdfArrayMel(:,26,:) = (pdfArrayMel(:,24,:)+pdfArrayMel(:,24,:))/2;
40
41 cfArrayMel(:,24,:) = sqrt((cfArrayMel(:,8,:)-cfArrayMel(:,5,:)).^2+(cfArrayMel(:,9,:)-
cfArrayMel(:,6,:)).^2+(cfArrayMel(:,10,:)-cfArrayMel(:,7,:)).^2) + sqrt((cfArrayMel
(:,11,:)-cfArrayMel(:,8,:)).^2+(cfArrayMel(:,12,:)-cfArrayMel(:,9,:)).^2+(cfArrayMel
(:,13,:)-cfArrayMel(:,10,:)).^2);
42 cfArrayMel(:,25,:) = sqrt((cfArrayMel(:,17,:)-cfArrayMel(:,14,:)).^2+(cfArrayMel(:,18,:)-
cfArrayMel(:,15,:)).^2+(cfArrayMel(:,19,:)-cfArrayMel(:,16,:)).^2) + sqrt((cfArrayMel
(:,14,:)-cfArrayMel(:,11,:)).^2+(cfArrayMel(:,15,:)-cfArrayMel(:,12,:)).^2+(cfArrayMel
(:,16,:)-cfArrayMel(:,13,:)).^2);
43 cfArrayMel(:,26,:) = (cfArrayMel(:,24,:)+cfArrayMel(:,24,:))/2;
44
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45
46 %Furrow Opening
47 adfArrayMel(:,27,:) = sqrt((adfArrayMel(:,17,:)-adfArrayMel(:,5,:)).^2 + (adfArrayMel(:,18,:)-
    adfArrayMel(:,6,:)).^2 + (adfArrayMel(:,19,:)-adfArrayMel(:,7,:)).^2);
48 pdfArrayMel(:,27,:) = sqrt((pdfArrayMel(:,17,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,5,:)).^2 + (pdfArrayMel(:,18,:)-
    pdfArrayMel(:,6,:)).^2 + (pdfArrayMel(:,19,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,7,:)).^2);
49 cfArrayMel(:,27,:) = sqrt((cfArrayMel(:,17,:)-cfArrayMel(:,5,:)).^2 + (cfArrayMel(:,18,:)-
    cfArrayMel(:,6,:)).^2 + (cfArrayMel(:,19,:)-cfArrayMel(:,7,:)).^2);
50
51 %DV Furrow Extension
52 dvExtArrayADFMel(:,1) = adfArrayMel(:,1,1);
53 dvExtArrayPDFMel(:,1) = pdfArrayMel(:,1,1);
54 dvExtArrayCFMel(:,1) = cfArrayMel(:,1,1);
55
56 for j = 1:nEmbryoMel
57
58     dvExtArrayADFMel(find(adfArrayMel(:,2,j)>0),j+1) = 1;
59     dvExtArrayPDFMel(find(pdfArrayMel(:,2,j)>0),j+1) = 1;
60     dvExtArrayCFMel(find(cfArrayMel(:,2,j)>0),j+1) = 1;
61
62 end
63 dvExtArrayADFMel(:,(nEmbryoMel+2)) = sum(dvExtArrayADFMel(:,2:(nEmbryoMel+1)),2);
64 dvExtArrayPDFMel(:,(nEmbryoMel+2)) = sum(dvExtArrayPDFMel(:,2:(nEmbryoMel+1)),2);
65 dvExtArrayCFMel(:,(nEmbryoMel+2)) = sum(dvExtArrayCFMel(:,2:(nEmbryoMel+1)),2);
66
67 %AP Furrow Extension
68
69 apExtArrayADFMel(:,1) = min((adfArrayMel(:,5,:)+adfArrayMel(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
70 apExtArrayADFMel(:,2) = max((adfArrayMel(:,5,:)+adfArrayMel(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
71 apExtArrayPDFMel(:,1) = min((pdfArrayMel(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMel(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
72 apExtArrayPDFMel(:,2) = max((pdfArrayMel(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMel(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
73 apExtArrayCFMel(:,1) = min((cfArrayMel(:,5,:)+cfArrayMel(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
74 apExtArrayCFMel(:,2) = max((cfArrayMel(:,5,:)+cfArrayMel(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
75
76 %Furrow Area
77 adfArrayMel(:,28,:) = polyarea(adfArrayMel(:,5:3:17,:),adfArrayMel(:,6:3:18,:),2);
78 pdfArrayMel(:,28,:) = polyarea(pdfArrayMel(:,5:3:17,:),pdfArrayMel(:,6:3:18,:),2);
79 cfArrayMel(:,28,:) = polyarea(cfArrayMel(:,5:3:17,:),cfArrayMel(:,6:3:18,:),2);
80
81 %Furrow Volume
82
83 %Furrow Plane
84
85 adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,2,:) = adfArrayMel(:,5,:);
86 adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,3,:) = adfArrayMel(:,7,:)+(-cosd(adfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(adfArrayMel
    ((:,6,:)-adfArrayMel(:,7,:))));
87 adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,4,:) = adfArrayMel(:,7,:)+(sind(adfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(adfArrayMel
    ((:,6,:)-adfArrayMel(:,7,:))));
88
89 adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,5,:) = adfArrayMel(:,17,:);
90 adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,6,:) = adfArrayMel(:,19,:)+(-cosd(adfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(adfArrayMel
    ((:,18,:)-adfArrayMel(:,19,:))));
91 adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,7,:) = adfArrayMel(:,19,:)+(sind(adfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(adfArrayMel
    ((:,18,:)-adfArrayMel(:,19,:))));
92
93 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,2,:) = pdfArrayMel(:,5,:);
94 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,3,:) = pdfArrayMel(:,7,:)+(-cosd(pdfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(pdfArrayMel
    ((:,6,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,7,:))));
95 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,4,:) = pdfArrayMel(:,7,:)+(sind(pdfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(pdfArrayMel
    ((:,6,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,7,:))));
96
97 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,5,:) = pdfArrayMel(:,17,:);
98 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,6,:) = pdfArrayMel(:,19,:)+(-cosd(pdfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(pdfArrayMel
    ((:,18,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,19,:))));

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99 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,7,:) = pdfArrayMel(:,19,:)+(sind(pdfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(pdfArrayMel
    (:,18,:)-pdfArrayMel(:,19,:)));
100
101 cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,2,:) = cfArrayMel(:,5,:);
102 cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,3,:) = cfArrayMel(:,7,:)+(-cosd(cfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(cfArrayMel(:,6,:)-
    cfArrayMel(:,7,:)));
103 cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,4,:) = cfArrayMel(:,7,:)+(sind(cfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(cfArrayMel(:,6,:)-
    cfArrayMel(:,7,:)));
104
105 cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,5,:) = cfArrayMel(:,17,:);
106 cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,6,:) = cfArrayMel(:,19,:)+(-cosd(cfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(cfArrayMel
    (:,18,:)-cfArrayMel(:,19,:)));
107 cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,7,:) = cfArrayMel(:,19,:)+(sind(cfArrayMel(:,1,:)).*abs(cfArrayMel(:,18,:)-
    cfArrayMel(:,19,:)));
108
109
110
111 for sigCounter = 1:nEmbryoMel
112     adfFirstSig1Mel = squeeze(find(abs(adfArrayMel(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'first'));
113     adfLastSig1Mel = squeeze(find(abs(adfArrayMel(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'last'));
114
115     pdfFirstSig1Mel = squeeze(find(abs(pdfArrayMel(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'first'));
116     pdfLastSig1Mel = squeeze(find(abs(pdfArrayMel(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'last'));
117
118     cfFirstSig1Mel = squeeze(find(abs(cfArrayMel(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'first'));
119     cfLastSig1Mel = squeeze(find(abs(cfArrayMel(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'last'));
120
121     if adfFirstSig1Mel>0
122         adfPlaneMel(sigCounter,:) = nanFitPlane(cat(1,adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(adfFirstSig1Mel:
            adfLastSig1Mel,2:4,sigCounter),adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(adfFirstSig1Mel:adfLastSig1Mel
            ,5:7,sigCounter)));
123     end
124     if pdfFirstSig1Mel>0
125         pdfPlaneMel(sigCounter,:) = nanFitPlane(cat(1,pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(pdfFirstSig1Mel:
            pdfLastSig1Mel,2:4,sigCounter),pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(pdfFirstSig1Mel:pdfLastSig1Mel
            ,5:7,sigCounter)));
126     end
127     if cfFirstSig1Mel>0
128         cfPlaneMel(sigCounter,:) = nanFitPlane(cat(1,cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(cfFirstSig1Mel:
            cfLastSig1Mel,2:4,sigCounter),cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(cfFirstSig1Mel:cfLastSig1Mel,5:7,
            sigCounter)));
129
130     end
131
132
133
134 %Furrow planarity
135 if adfFirstSig1Mel>0
136     adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,8,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,2:4,
        sigCounter), adfPlaneMel(sigCounter,:));
137     adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,9,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,5:7,
        sigCounter), adfPlaneMel(sigCounter,:));
138     adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,10,sigCounter) = nansum(nansum(adfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,8:9,sigCounter)
        ));
139 end
140
141 if pdfFirstSig1Mel>0
142     pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,8,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,2:4,
        sigCounter), pdfPlaneMel(sigCounter,:));
143     pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,9,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,5:7,
        sigCounter), pdfPlaneMel(sigCounter,:));
144     pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,10,sigCounter) = nansum(nansum(pdfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,8:9,sigCounter)
        ));
145 end
```

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146
147   if cfFirstSig1Mel > 0
148       cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,8,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,2:4,sigCounter)
149           ), cfPlaneMel(sigCounter,:));
149       cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,9,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,5:7,sigCounter)
150           ), cfPlaneMel(sigCounter,:));
150       cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,10,sigCounter) = nansum(nansum(cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,8:9,sigCounter)));
151   end
152
153 end
154
155 meanPlaneDistMel = sqrt(nanmean(((cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,8,:)+cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,9,:))/2).^2,3)
156 );
157 cfMeanMel(:,1,:) = (cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,8,:) + cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,9,:))/2;
158 cfMeanMel(:,2,:) = (sqrt((cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,2,:)).^2 + (cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,3,:)).^2 + (
159     cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,4,:)).^2) + sqrt((cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,5,:)).^2 + (cfOnEmbryoArrayMel
160     ((:,6,:)).^2 + (cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,7,:)).^2))/2;
159
160 %for R2counter = 1:31
161     rmse = sqrt(nanmean(abs((cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,8,:)+cfOnEmbryoArrayMel(:,9,:))/2).^2);
162     rsquare = 1 - nansum(cfMeanMel(:,1,:).^2)/nansum(cfMeanMel(:,2,:).^2);
163
164
165 %Furrow Angle
166 adfAnglesMel(:,1:3) = planeNormal(adfPlaneMel);
167 adfAnglesMel(:,4) = atand(adfAnglesMel(:,2)/adfAnglesMel(:,1))+90;
168
169 pdfAnglesMel(:,1:3) = planeNormal(pdfPlaneMel);
170 pdfAnglesMel(:,4) = atand(pdfAnglesMel(:,2)/pdfAnglesMel(:,1))+90;
171
172 cfAnglesMel(:,1:3) = planeNormal(cfPlaneMel);
173 cfAnglesMel(:,4) = atand(cfAnglesMel(:,2)/cfAnglesMel(:,1))+90;
174
175 %GBE Progress
176 for gbeAfillCount = 1:180
177
178     gbeProgMel(gbeAfillCount,1:21,:) = (permute(axisInputMel,[3,2,1]));
179 end
180
181 gbeProgMel(:,22,:) = (gbeProgMel(:,1,:)-gbeProgMel(:,4,:))/(gbeProgMel(:,1,:)-gbeProgMel
182     ((:,19,:)));
182 gbeProgMel(:,23,:) = (gbeProgMel(:,1,:)-gbeProgMel(:,7,:))/(gbeProgMel(:,1,:)-gbeProgMel
183     ((:,19,:)));
183 gbeProgMel(:,24,:) = abs((gbeProgMel(:,1,:)-(gbeProgMel(:,7,:)+gbeProgMel(:,4,:))/2)/(
184     gbeProgMel(:,1,:)-gbeProgMel(:,19,:)));
184
185
186 %Inter Fold distance
187 foldDistanceMel(:,1,:) = (cfArrayMel(:,5,:)+cfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2 - gbeProgMel(:,19,:);
188 foldDistanceMel(:,2,:) = (adfArrayMel(:,5,:)+adfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2 - (cfArrayMel(:,5,:)+
189     cfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2;
189 foldDistanceMel(:,3,:) = (pdfArrayMel(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2 - (adfArrayMel(:,5,:)+
190     adfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2;
190 foldDistanceMel(:,4,:) = gbeProgMel(:,7,:) - (pdfArrayMel(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2;
191 foldDistanceMel(:,5,:) = gbeProgMel(:,1,:) - (pdfArrayMel(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2;
192 foldDistanceMel(:,6,:) = (pdfArrayMel(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2 - (cfArrayMel(:,5,:)+
193     cfArrayMel(:,17,:))/2;
193 foldDistanceMel(90,7,:) = [3 15 16 9 6 13 9 NaN 8 6 11 7 NaN 9 8 6 8 NaN]';
194 foldDistanceMel(90,8,:) = [4 17 12 7 4 11 7 NaN 8 5 8 6 NaN 9 9 2 5 NaN]';
195
196
197 %Results
198

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```
199 averageADFSimpleSizeMel = squeeze(nanmean(adfArrayMel(aBegDF:aEndDF,23,:)))
200 averageADFAdvancedSizeMel = squeeze(nanmean(adfArrayMel(aBegDF:aEndDF,26,:)))
201 averageADFOpeningMel = squeeze(nanmean(adfArrayMel(aBegDF:aEndDF,27,:)))
202
203 averagePDFSimpleSizeMel = squeeze(nanmean(pdfArrayMel(aBegDF:aEndDF,23,:)))
204 averagePDFAdvancedSizeMel = squeeze(nanmean(pdfArrayMel(aBegDF:aEndDF,26,:)))
205 averagePDFOpeningMel = squeeze(nanmean(pdfArrayMel(aBegDF:aEndDF,27,:)))
206
207 averageCFSimpleSizeMel = squeeze(((nanmean(cfArrayMel(aBegCF:aEndCF,23,:))+nanmean(cfArrayMel((
    aBegCF+90):(aEndCF+90),23,:)))/2)
208 averageCFAdvancedSizeMel = squeeze(((nanmean(cfArrayMel(aBegCF:aEndCF,26,:))+nanmean(cfArrayMel
    ((aBegCF+90):(aEndCF+90),26,:)))/2)
209 averageCFOpeningMel = squeeze(((nanmean(cfArrayMel(aBegCF:aEndCF,27,:))+nanmean(cfArrayMel((
    aBegCF+90):(aEndCF+90),27,:)))/2)
210
211 averageFoldDistanceMel = squeeze(nanmean(foldDistanceMel(:,1:5,:)))';
212
213 %*****End Dmel*****
214
215
216 %*****Dpsc*****
217
218
219
220 %Simple Depth
221
222 adfArrayPse(:,23,:) = sqrt(((adfArrayPse(:,5,:)+adfArrayPse(:,17,:))/2-adfArrayPse(:,11,:)).^2
    + ((adfArrayPse(:,6,:)+adfArrayPse(:,18,:))/2-adfArrayPse(:,12,:)).^2 + ((adfArrayPse
    (:,7,:)+adfArrayPse(:,19,:))/2-adfArrayPse(:,13,:)).^2);
223 pdfArrayPse(:,23,:) = sqrt(((pdfArrayPse(:,5,:)+pdfArrayPse(:,17,:))/2-pdfArrayPse(:,11,:)).^2
    + ((pdfArrayPse(:,6,:)+pdfArrayPse(:,18,:))/2-pdfArrayPse(:,12,:)).^2 + ((pdfArrayPse
    (:,7,:)+pdfArrayPse(:,19,:))/2-pdfArrayPse(:,13,:)).^2);
224 cfArrayPse(:,23,:) = sqrt(((cfArrayPse(:,5,:)+cfArrayPse(:,17,:))/2-cfArrayPse(:,11,:)).^2 +
    ((cfArrayPse(:,6,:)+cfArrayPse(:,18,:))/2-cfArrayPse(:,12,:)).^2 + ((cfArrayPse(:,7,:)+
    cfArrayPse(:,19,:))/2-cfArrayPse(:,13,:)).^2);
225
226
227 %Advanced Depth
228
229 adfArrayPse(:,24,:) = sqrt((adfArrayPse(:,8,:)-adfArrayPse(:,5,:)).^2+(adfArrayPse(:,9,:)-
    adfArrayPse(:,6,:)).^2+(adfArrayPse(:,10,:)-adfArrayPse(:,7,:)).^2) + sqrt((adfArrayPse
    (:,11,:)-adfArrayPse(:,8,:)).^2+(adfArrayPse(:,12,:)-adfArrayPse(:,9,:)).^2+(adfArrayPse
    (:,13,:)-adfArrayPse(:,10,:)).^2);
230 adfArrayPse(:,25,:) = sqrt((adfArrayPse(:,17,:)-adfArrayPse(:,14,:)).^2+(adfArrayPse(:,18,:)-
    adfArrayPse(:,15,:)).^2+(adfArrayPse(:,19,:)-adfArrayPse(:,16,:)).^2) + sqrt((adfArrayPse
    (:,14,:)-adfArrayPse(:,11,:)).^2+(adfArrayPse(:,15,:)-adfArrayPse(:,12,:)).^2+(adfArrayPse
    (:,16,:)-adfArrayPse(:,13,:)).^2);
231 adfArrayPse(:,26,:) = (adfArrayPse(:,24,:)+adfArrayPse(:,24,:))/2;
232
233 pdfArrayPse(:,24,:) = sqrt((pdfArrayPse(:,8,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,5,:)).^2+(pdfArrayPse(:,9,:)-
    pdfArrayPse(:,6,:)).^2+(pdfArrayPse(:,10,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,7,:)).^2) + sqrt((pdfArrayPse
    (:,11,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,8,:)).^2+(pdfArrayPse(:,12,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,9,:)).^2+(pdfArrayPse
    (:,13,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,10,:)).^2);
234 pdfArrayPse(:,25,:) = sqrt((pdfArrayPse(:,17,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,14,:)).^2+(pdfArrayPse(:,18,:)-
    pdfArrayPse(:,15,:)).^2+(pdfArrayPse(:,19,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,16,:)).^2) + sqrt((pdfArrayPse
    (:,14,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,11,:)).^2+(pdfArrayPse(:,15,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,12,:)).^2+(pdfArrayPse
    (:,16,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,13,:)).^2);
235 pdfArrayPse(:,26,:) = (pdfArrayPse(:,24,:)+pdfArrayPse(:,24,:))/2;
236
237 cfArrayPse(:,24,:) = sqrt((cfArrayPse(:,8,:)-cfArrayPse(:,5,:)).^2+(cfArrayPse(:,9,:)-
    cfArrayPse(:,6,:)).^2+(cfArrayPse(:,10,:)-cfArrayPse(:,7,:)).^2) + sqrt((cfArrayPse
    (:,11,:)-cfArrayPse(:,8,:)).^2+(cfArrayPse(:,12,:)-cfArrayPse(:,9,:)).^2+(cfArrayPse
    (:,13,:)-cfArrayPse(:,10,:)).^2);
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238 cfArrayPse(:,25,:) = sqrt((cfArrayPse(:,17,:)-cfArrayPse(:,14,:)).^2+(cfArrayPse(:,18,:)-
    cfArrayPse(:,15,:)).^2+(cfArrayPse(:,19,:)-cfArrayPse(:,16,:)).^2) + sqrt((cfArrayPse
    (:,14,:)-cfArrayPse(:,11,:)).^2+(cfArrayPse(:,15,:)-cfArrayPse(:,12,:)).^2+(cfArrayPse
    (:,16,:)-cfArrayPse(:,13,:)).^2);
239 cfArrayPse(:,26,:) = (cfArrayPse(:,24,:)+cfArrayPse(:,24,:))/2;
240
241 %Furrow Opening
242 adfArrayPse(:,27,:) = sqrt((adfArrayPse(:,17,:)-adfArrayPse(:,5,:)).^2 + (adfArrayPse(:,18,:)-
    adfArrayPse(:,6,:)).^2 + (adfArrayPse(:,19,:)-adfArrayPse(:,7,:)).^2);
243 pdfArrayPse(:,27,:) = sqrt((pdfArrayPse(:,17,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,5,:)).^2 + (pdfArrayPse(:,18,:)-
    pdfArrayPse(:,6,:)).^2 + (pdfArrayPse(:,19,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,7,:)).^2);
244 cfArrayPse(:,27,:) = sqrt((cfArrayPse(:,17,:)-cfArrayPse(:,5,:)).^2 + (cfArrayPse(:,18,:)-
    cfArrayPse(:,6,:)).^2 + (cfArrayPse(:,19,:)-cfArrayPse(:,7,:)).^2);
245
246 %DV Furrow Extension
247 dvExtArrayADFPse(:,1) = adfArrayPse(:,1,1);
248 dvExtArrayPDFPse(:,1) = pdfArrayPse(:,1,1);
249 dvExtArrayCFPse(:,1) = cfArrayPse(:,1,1);
250
251 for j = 1:nEmbryoPse
252
253     dvExtArrayADFPse(find(adfArrayPse(:,2,j)>0),j+1) = 1;
254     dvExtArrayPDFPse(find(pdfArrayPse(:,2,j)>0),j+1) = 1;
255     dvExtArrayCFPse(find(cfArrayPse(:,2,j)>0),j+1) = 1;
256
257 end
258 dvExtArrayADFPse(:,(nEmbryoPse+2)) = sum(dvExtArrayADFPse(:,2:(nEmbryoPse+1)),2);
259 dvExtArrayPDFPse(:,(nEmbryoPse+2)) = sum(dvExtArrayPDFPse(:,2:(nEmbryoPse+1)),2);
260 dvExtArrayCFPse(:,(nEmbryoPse+2)) = sum(dvExtArrayCFPse(:,2:(nEmbryoPse+1)),2);
261
262 %AP Furrow Extension
263
264 apExtArrayADFPse(:,1) = min(((adfArrayPse(:,5,:)+adfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
265 apExtArrayADFPse(:,2) = max(((adfArrayPse(:,5,:)+adfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
266 apExtArrayPDFPse(:,1) = min(((pdfArrayPse(:,5,:)+pdfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
267 apExtArrayPDFPse(:,2) = max(((pdfArrayPse(:,5,:)+pdfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
268 apExtArrayCFPse(:,1) = min(((cfArrayPse(:,5,:)+cfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
269 apExtArrayCFPse(:,2) = max(((cfArrayPse(:,5,:)+cfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
270
271 %Furrow Area
272 adfArrayPse(:,28,:) = polyarea(adfArrayPse(:,5:3:17,:),adfArrayPse(:,6:3:18,:),2);
273 pdfArrayPse(:,28,:) = polyarea(pdfArrayPse(:,5:3:17,:),pdfArrayPse(:,6:3:18,:),2);
274 cfArrayPse(:,28,:) = polyarea(cfArrayPse(:,5:3:17,:),cfArrayPse(:,6:3:18,:),2);
275
276 %Furrow Volume
277
278 %Furrow Plane
279
280 adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,2,:) = adfArrayPse(:,5,:);
281 adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,3,:) = adfArrayPse(:,7,:)+(-cosd(adfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(adfArrayPse
    (:,6,:)-adfArrayPse(:,7,:)));
282 adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,4,:) = adfArrayPse(:,7,:)+(sind(adfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(adfArrayPse
    (:,6,:)-adfArrayPse(:,7,:)));
283
284 adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,5,:) = adfArrayPse(:,17,:);
285 adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,6,:) = adfArrayPse(:,19,:)+(-cosd(adfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(adfArrayPse
    (:,18,:)-adfArrayPse(:,19,:)));
286 adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,7,:) = adfArrayPse(:,19,:)+(sind(adfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(adfArrayPse
    (:,18,:)-adfArrayPse(:,19,:)));
287
288 pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,2,:) = pdfArrayPse(:,5,:);
289 pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,3,:) = pdfArrayPse(:,7,:)+(-cosd(pdfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(pdfArrayPse
    (:,6,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,7,:)));

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290 pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,4,:) = pdfArrayPse(:,7,:)+(sind(pdfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(pdfArrayPse
    (:,6,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,7,:)));
291
292 pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,5,:) = pdfArrayPse(:,17,:);
293 pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,6,:) = pdfArrayPse(:,19,:)+(-cosd(pdfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(pdfArrayPse
    (:,18,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,19,:)));
294 pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,7,:) = pdfArrayPse(:,19,:)+(sind(pdfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(pdfArrayPse
    (:,18,:)-pdfArrayPse(:,19,:)));
295
296 cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,2,:) = cfArrayPse(:,5,:);
297 cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,3,:) = cfArrayPse(:,7,:)+(-cosd(cfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(cfArrayPse(:,6,:)-
    cfArrayPse(:,7,:)));
298 cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,4,:) = cfArrayPse(:,7,:)+(sind(cfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(cfArrayPse(:,6,:)-
    cfArrayPse(:,7,:)));
299
300 cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,5,:) = cfArrayPse(:,17,:);
301 cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,6,:) = cfArrayPse(:,19,:)+(-cosd(cfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(cfArrayPse
    (:,18,:)-cfArrayPse(:,19,:)));
302 cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,7,:) = cfArrayPse(:,19,:)+(sind(cfArrayPse(:,1,:)).*abs(cfArrayPse(:,18,:)-
    cfArrayPse(:,19,:)));
303
304
305
306 for sigCounter = 1:nEmbryoPse
307     adfFirstSig1Pse = squeeze(find(abs(adfArrayPse(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'first'));
308     adfLastSig1Pse = squeeze(find(abs(adfArrayPse(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'last'));
309
310     pdfFirstSig1Pse = squeeze(find(abs(pdfArrayPse(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'first'));
311     pdfLastSig1Pse = squeeze(find(abs(pdfArrayPse(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'last'));
312
313     cfFirstSig1Pse = squeeze(find(abs(cfArrayPse(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'first'));
314     cfLastSig1Pse = squeeze(find(abs(cfArrayPse(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'last'));
315
316     if adfFirstSig1Pse>0
317         adfPlanePse(sigCounter,:) = nanFitPlane(cat(1,adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(adfFirstSig1Pse:
            adfLastSig1Pse,2:4,sigCounter),adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(adfFirstSig1Pse:adfLastSig1Pse
            ,5:7,sigCounter)));
318     end
319     if pdfFirstSig1Pse>0
320         pdfPlanePse(sigCounter,:) = nanFitPlane(cat(1,pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(pdfFirstSig1Pse:
            pdfLastSig1Pse,2:4,sigCounter),pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(pdfFirstSig1Pse:pdfLastSig1Pse
            ,5:7,sigCounter)));
321     end
322     if cfFirstSig1Pse>0
323         cfPlanePse(sigCounter,:) = nanFitPlane(cat(1,cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(cfFirstSig1Pse:
            cfLastSig1Pse,2:4,sigCounter),cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(cfFirstSig1Pse:cfLastSig1Pse,5:7,
            sigCounter)));
324     end
325 end
326
327
328
329 %Furrow planarity
330 if adfFirstSig1Pse>0
331     adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,8,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,2:4,
        sigCounter), adfPlanePse(sigCounter,:));
332     adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,9,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,5:7,
        sigCounter), adfPlanePse(sigCounter,:));
333     adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,10,sigCounter) = nansum(nansum(adfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,8:9,sigCounter))
        );
334 end
335
336 if pdfFirstSig1Pse>0
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337 pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,8,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,2:4,
338 sigCounter), pdfPlanePse(sigCounter,:));
338 pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,9,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,5:7,
339 sigCounter), pdfPlanePse(sigCounter,:));
339 pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,10,sigCounter) = nansum(nansum(pdfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,8:9,sigCounter))
);
340 end
341
342 if cfFirstSig1Pse > 0
343 cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,8,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,2:4,sigCounter
), cfPlanePse(sigCounter,:));
344 cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,9,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,5:7,sigCounter
), cfPlanePse(sigCounter,:));
345 cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,10,sigCounter) = nansum(nansum(cfOnEmbryoArrayPse(:,8:9,sigCounter)));
346 end
347
348 end
349
350
351 %Furrow Angle
352 adfAnglesPse(:,1:3) = planeNormal(adfPlanePse);
353 adfAnglesPse(:,4) = atand(adfAnglesPse(:,2)/adfAnglesPse(:,1))+90;
354
355 pdfAnglesPse(:,1:3) = planeNormal(pdfPlanePse);
356 pdfAnglesPse(:,4) = atand(pdfAnglesPse(:,2)/pdfAnglesPse(:,1))+90;
357
358 cfAnglesPse(:,1:3) = planeNormal(cfPlanePse);
359 cfAnglesPse(:,4) = atand(cfAnglesPse(:,2)/cfAnglesPse(:,1))+90;
360
361 %GBE Progress
362 for gbeAfillCount = 1:180
363
364 gbeProgPse(gbeAfillCount,1:21,:) = (permute(axisInputPse,[3,2,1]));
365 end
366
367 gbeProgPse(:,22,:) = (gbeProgPse(:,1,:)-gbeProgPse(:,4,:))/(gbeProgPse(:,1,:)-gbeProgPse
(:,19,:));
368 gbeProgPse(:,23,:) = (gbeProgPse(:,1,:)-gbeProgPse(:,7,:))/(gbeProgPse(:,1,:)-gbeProgPse
(:,19,:));
369 gbeProgPse(:,24,:) = abs((gbeProgPse(:,1,:)-(gbeProgPse(:,7,:)+gbeProgPse(:,4,:))./2)/(
gbeProgPse(:,1,:)-gbeProgPse(:,19,:)));
370
371
372 %Inter Fold distance
373 foldDistancePse(:,1,:) = (cfArrayPse(:,5,:)+cfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2 - gbeProgPse(:,19,:);
374 foldDistancePse(:,2,:) = (adfArrayPse(:,5,:)+adfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2 - (cfArrayPse(:,5,:)+
cfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2;
375 foldDistancePse(:,3,:) = (pdfArrayPse(:,5,:)+pdfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2 - (adfArrayPse(:,5,:)+
adfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2;
376 foldDistancePse(:,4,:) = gbeProgPse(:,7,:) - (pdfArrayPse(:,5,:)+pdfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2;
377 foldDistancePse(:,5,:) = gbeProgPse(:,1,:) - (pdfArrayPse(:,5,:)+pdfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2;
378 foldDistancePse(:,6,:) = (pdfArrayPse(:,5,:)+pdfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2 - (cfArrayPse(:,5,:)+
cfArrayPse(:,17,:))./2;
379 foldDistancePse(90,7,:) = [14 17 10 8 NaN NaN 7 6 11 24 9]';
380 foldDistancePse(90,8,:) = [10 11 11 12 NaN NaN 5 7 10 17 6]';
381
382 %Results
383
384 averageADFSimpleSizePse = squeeze(nanmean(adfArrayPse(aBegDF:aEndDF,23,:)))
385 averageADFAAdvancedSizePse = squeeze(nanmean(adfArrayPse(aBegDF:aEndDF,26,:)))
386 averageADFOpeningPse = squeeze(nanmean(adfArrayPse(aBegDF:aEndDF,27,:)))
387
388 averagePDFSimpleSizePse = squeeze(nanmean(pdfArrayPse(aBegDF:aEndDF,23,:)))
389 averagePDFAdvancedSizePse = squeeze(nanmean(pdfArrayPse(aBegDF:aEndDF,26,:)))

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390 averagePDFOpeningPse = squeeze(nanmean(pdfArrayPse(aBegDF:aEndDF,27,:)))
391
392 averageCFSimpleSizePse = squeeze(((nanmean(cfArrayPse(aBegCF:aEndCF,23,:))+nanmean(cfArrayPse((
  aBegCF+90):(aEndCF+90),23,:)))/2)
393 averageCFAdvancedSizePse = squeeze(((nanmean(cfArrayPse(aBegCF:aEndCF,26,:))+nanmean(cfArrayPse
  ((aBegCF+90):(aEndCF+90),26,:)))/2)
394 averageCFOpeningPse = squeeze(((nanmean(cfArrayPse(aBegCF:aEndCF,27,:))+nanmean(cfArrayPse((
  aBegCF+90):(aEndCF+90),27,:)))/2)
395
396 averageFoldDistancePse = squeeze(nanmean(foldDistancePse(:,1:5,:)))';
397
398 %*****End Dpsc*****
399
400
401 %*****Dmel Rapgap1*****
402
403
404 %Simple Depth
405
406 adfArrayMelRG1(:,23,:) = sqrt(((adfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))/2-adfArrayMelRG1
  (:,11,:)).^2 + ((adfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:))/2-adfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:))
  .^2 + ((adfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:))/2-adfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
407 pdfArrayMelRG1(:,23,:) = sqrt(((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))/2-pdfArrayMelRG1
  (:,11,:)).^2 + ((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:))/2-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:))
  .^2 + ((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:))/2-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
408 cfArrayMelRG1(:,23,:) = sqrt(((cfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))/2-cfArrayMelRG1
  (:,11,:)).^2 + ((cfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:))/2-cfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)).^2
  + ((cfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:))/2-cfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
409
410
411 %Advanced Depth
412
413 adfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:) = sqrt((adfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1
  (:,9,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)).^2) +
  sqrt((adfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)-
  adfArrayMelRG1(:,9,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)).^2);
414 adfArrayMelRG1(:,25,:) = sqrt((adfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)).^2+(
  adfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,15,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)-adfArrayMelRG1
  (:,16,:)).^2) + sqrt((adfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1
  (:,15,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1(:,16,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
415 adfArrayMelRG1(:,26,:) = (adfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:))/2;
416
417 pdfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:) = sqrt((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1
  (:,9,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)).^2) +
  sqrt((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)-
  pdfArrayMelRG1(:,9,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)).^2);
418 pdfArrayMelRG1(:,25,:) = sqrt((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)).^2+(
  pdfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,15,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1
  (:,16,:)).^2) + sqrt((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1
  (:,15,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,16,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
419 pdfArrayMelRG1(:,26,:) = (pdfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:))/2;
420
421 cfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:) = sqrt((cfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1
  (:,9,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)).^2) + sqrt
  ((cfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)-cfArrayMelRG1
  (:,9,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)).^2);
422 cfArrayMelRG1(:,25,:) = sqrt((cfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1
  (:,18,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,15,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,16,:)).^2) +
  sqrt((cfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,15,:)-
  cfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,16,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
423 cfArrayMelRG1(:,26,:) = (cfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:))/2;
424
425 %Simple Depth
426
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427 adfArrayMelRG1(:,23,:) = sqrt(((adfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))/2-adfArrayMelRG1
    (:,11,:)).^2 + ((adfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:))/2-adfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:))
    .^2 + ((adfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:))/2-adfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
428 pdfArrayMelRG1(:,23,:) = sqrt(((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))/2-pdfArrayMelRG1
    (:,11,:)).^2 + ((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:))/2-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:))
    .^2 + ((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:))/2-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
429 cfArrayMelRG1(:,23,:) = sqrt(((cfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))/2-cfArrayMelRG1
    (:,11,:)).^2 + ((cfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:))/2-cfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)).^2
    + ((cfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:))/2-cfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
430
431
432 %Advanced Depth
433
434 adfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:) = sqrt((adfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1
    (:,9,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)).^2) +
    sqrt((adfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)-
    adfArrayMelRG1(:,9,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)).^2);
435 adfArrayMelRG1(:,25,:) = sqrt((adfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)).^2+(
    adfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,15,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)-adfArrayMelRG1
    (:,16,:)).^2) + sqrt((adfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1
    (:,15,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)).^2+(adfArrayMelRG1(:,16,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
436 adfArrayMelRG1(:,26,:) = (adfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:))/2;
437
438 pdfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:) = sqrt((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1
    (:,9,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)).^2) +
    sqrt((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)-
    pdfArrayMelRG1(:,9,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)).^2);
439 pdfArrayMelRG1(:,25,:) = sqrt((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)).^2+(
    pdfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,15,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1
    (:,16,:)).^2) + sqrt((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1
    (:,15,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)).^2+(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,16,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
440 pdfArrayMelRG1(:,26,:) = (pdfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:))/2;
441
442 cfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:) = sqrt((cfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1
    (:,9,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)).^2) + sqrt
    ((cfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,8,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)-cfArrayMelRG1
    (:,9,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,10,:)).^2);
443 cfArrayMelRG1(:,25,:) = sqrt((cfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1
    (:,18,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,15,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,16,:)).^2) +
    sqrt((cfArrayMelRG1(:,14,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,11,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,15,:)-
    cfArrayMelRG1(:,12,:)).^2+(cfArrayMelRG1(:,16,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,13,:)).^2);
444 cfArrayMelRG1(:,26,:) = (cfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,24,:))/2
445
446 %Furrow Opening
447 adfArrayMelRG1(:,27,:) = sqrt((adfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)).^2 + (
    adfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)).^2 + (adfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)-adfArrayMelRG1
    (:,7,:)).^2);
448 pdfArrayMelRG1(:,27,:) = sqrt((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)).^2 + (
    pdfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)).^2 + (pdfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1
    (:,7,:)).^2);
449 cfArrayMelRG1(:,27,:) = sqrt((cfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)).^2 + (cfArrayMelRG1
    (:,18,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)).^2 + (cfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)).^2);
450
451 %DV Furrow Extension
452 dvExtArrayADFMelRG1(:,1) = adfArrayMelRG1(:,1,1);
453 dvExtArrayPDFMelRG1(:,1) = pdfArrayMelRG1(:,1,1);
454 dvExtArrayCFMelRG1(:,1) = cfArrayMelRG1(:,1,1);
455
456 for j = 1:nEmbryoMelRG1
457
458     dvExtArrayADFMelRG1(find(adfArrayMelRG1(:,2,j)>0),j+1) = 1;
459     dvExtArrayPDFMelRG1(find(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,2,j)>0),j+1) = 1;
460     dvExtArrayCFMelRG1(find(cfArrayMelRG1(:,2,j)>0),j+1) = 1;
461

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462 end
463 dvExtArrayADFMelRG1(:,(nEmbryoMelRG1+2)) = sum(dvExtArrayADFMelRG1(:,2:(nEmbryoMelRG1+1)),2);
464 dvExtArrayPDFMelRG1(:,(nEmbryoMelRG1+2)) = sum(dvExtArrayPDFMelRG1(:,2:(nEmbryoMelRG1+1)),2);
465 dvExtArrayCFMelRG1(:,(nEmbryoMelRG1+2)) = sum(dvExtArrayCFMelRG1(:,2:(nEmbryoMelRG1+1)),2);
466
467 %AP Furrow Extension
468
469 apExtArrayADFMelRG1(:,1) = min(((adfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
470 apExtArrayADFMelRG1(:,2) = max(((adfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
471 apExtArrayPDFMelRG1(:,1) = min(((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
472 apExtArrayPDFMelRG1(:,2) = max(((pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
473 apExtArrayCFMelRG1(:,1) = min(((cfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
474 apExtArrayCFMelRG1(:,2) = max(((cfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2),[],1);
475
476 %Furrow Area
477 adfArrayMelRG1(:,28,:) = polyarea(adfArrayMelRG1(:,5:3:17,:),adfArrayMelRG1(:,6:3:18,:),2);
478 pdfArrayMelRG1(:,28,:) = polyarea(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5:3:17,:),pdfArrayMelRG1(:,6:3:18,:),2);
479 cfArrayMelRG1(:,28,:) = polyarea(cfArrayMelRG1(:,5:3:17,:),cfArrayMelRG1(:,6:3:18,:),2);
480
481 %Furrow Volume
482
483 %Furrow Plane
484
485 adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,2,:) = adfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:);
486 adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,3,:) = adfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+(-cosd(adfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    adfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)));
487 adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,4,:) = adfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+(sind(adfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    adfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)));
488
489 adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,5,:) = adfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:);
490 adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,6,:) = adfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)+(-cosd(adfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    adfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)));
491 adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,7,:) = adfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)+(sind(adfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    adfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-adfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)));
492
493 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,2,:) = pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:);
494 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,3,:) = pdfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+(-cosd(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    pdfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)));
495 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,4,:) = pdfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+(sind(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    pdfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)));
496
497 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,5,:) = pdfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:);
498 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,6,:) = pdfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)+(-cosd(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    pdfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)));
499 pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,7,:) = pdfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)+(sind(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    pdfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-pdfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)));
500
501 cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,2,:) = cfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:);
502 cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,3,:) = cfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+(-cosd(cfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    cfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)));
503 cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,4,:) = cfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)+(sind(cfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    cfArrayMelRG1(:,6,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,7,:)));
504
505 cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,5,:) = cfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:);
506 cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,6,:) = cfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)+(-cosd(cfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    cfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)));
507 cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,7,:) = cfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)+(sind(cfArrayMelRG1(:,1,:)).*abs(
    cfArrayMelRG1(:,18,:)-cfArrayMelRG1(:,19,:)));
508
509
510
511 for sigCounter = 1:nEmbryoMelRG1
512     adfFirstSig1MelRG1 = squeeze(find(abs(adfArrayMelRG1(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'first'));
513     adfLastSig1MelRG1 = squeeze(find(abs(adfArrayMelRG1(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'last'));

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514
515 pdfFirstSig1MelRG1 = squeeze(find(abs(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'first'));
516 pdfLastSig1MelRG1 = squeeze(find(abs(pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'last'));
517
518 cfFirstSig1MelRG1 = squeeze(find(abs(cfArrayMelRG1(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'first'));
519 cfLastSig1MelRG1 = squeeze(find(abs(cfArrayMelRG1(:,5,sigCounter))>0,1,'last'));
520
521 if adfFirstSig1MelRG1>0
522     adfPlaneMelRG1(sigCounter,:) = nanFitPlane(cat(1,adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(
        adfFirstSig1MelRG1:adfLastSig1MelRG1,2:4,sigCounter),adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(
        adfFirstSig1MelRG1:adfLastSig1MelRG1,5:7,sigCounter)));
523 end
524 if pdfFirstSig1MelRG1>0
525     pdfPlaneMelRG1(sigCounter,:) = nanFitPlane(cat(1,pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(
        pdfFirstSig1MelRG1:pdfLastSig1MelRG1,2:4,sigCounter),pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(
        pdfFirstSig1MelRG1:pdfLastSig1MelRG1,5:7,sigCounter)));
526 end
527 if cfFirstSig1MelRG1>0
528     cfPlaneMelRG1(sigCounter,:) = nanFitPlane(cat(1,cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(cfFirstSig1MelRG1:
        cfLastSig1MelRG1,2:4,sigCounter),cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(cfFirstSig1MelRG1:
        cfLastSig1MelRG1,5:7,sigCounter)));
529
530 end
531
532
533
534 %Furrow planarity
535 if adfFirstSig1MelRG1>0
536     adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,8,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,2:4,
        sigCounter), adfPlaneMelRG1(sigCounter,:));
537     adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,9,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,5:7,
        sigCounter), adfPlaneMelRG1(sigCounter,:));
538     adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,10,sigCounter) = nansum(nansum(adfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,8:9,
        sigCounter)));
539 end
540
541 if pdfFirstSig1MelRG1>0
542     pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,8,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,2:4,
        sigCounter), pdfPlaneMelRG1(sigCounter,:));
543     pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,9,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,5:7,
        sigCounter), pdfPlaneMelRG1(sigCounter,:));
544     pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,10,sigCounter) = nansum(nansum(pdfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,8:9,
        sigCounter)));
545 end
546
547 if cfFirstSig1MelRG1>0
548     cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,8,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,2:4,
        sigCounter), cfPlaneMelRG1(sigCounter,:));
549     cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,9,sigCounter) = distancePointPlane(cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,5:7,
        sigCounter), cfPlaneMelRG1(sigCounter,:));
550     cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,10,sigCounter) = nansum(nansum(cfOnEmbryoArrayMelRG1(:,8:9,
        sigCounter)));
551 end
552
553 end
554
555
556 %Furrow Angle
557 adfAnglesMelRG1(:,1:3) = planeNormal(adfPlaneMelRG1);
558 adfAnglesMelRG1(:,4) = atand(adfAnglesMelRG1(:,2)./adfAnglesMelRG1(:,1))+90;
559
560 pdfAnglesMelRG1(:,1:3) = planeNormal(pdfPlaneMelRG1);
561 pdfAnglesMelRG1(:,4) = atand(pdfAnglesMelRG1(:,2)./pdfAnglesMelRG1(:,1))+90;
562

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563 cfAnglesMelRG1(:,1:3) = planeNormal(cfPlaneMelRG1);
564 cfAnglesMelRG1(:,4) = atand(cfAnglesMelRG1(:,2) ./ cfAnglesMelRG1(:,1))+90;
565
566 %GBE Progress
567 for gbeAfillCount = 1:180
568     gbeProgMelRG1(gbeAfillCount,1:21,:) = (permute(axisInputMelRG1,[3,2,1]));
569 end
570
571 gbeProgMelRG1(:,22,:) = (gbeProgMelRG1(:,1,:)-gbeProgMelRG1(:,4,:))./(gbeProgMelRG1(:,1,:)-
572     gbeProgMelRG1(:,19,:));
573 gbeProgMelRG1(:,23,:) = (gbeProgMelRG1(:,1,:)-gbeProgMelRG1(:,7,:))./(gbeProgMelRG1(:,1,:)-
574     gbeProgMelRG1(:,19,:));
575 gbeProgMelRG1(:,24,:) = abs((gbeProgMelRG1(:,1,:)-(gbeProgMelRG1(:,7,:)+gbeProgMelRG1(:,4,:))
576     ./2)./(gbeProgMelRG1(:,1,:)-gbeProgMelRG1(:,19,:)));
577
578 %Inter Fold distance
579 foldDistanceMelRG1(:,1,:) = (cfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2 - gbeProgMelRG1
580     (:,19,:);
581 foldDistanceMelRG1(:,2,:) = (adfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2 - (cfArrayMelRG1
582     (:,5,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2;
583 foldDistanceMelRG1(:,3,:) = (pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2 - (adfArrayMelRG1
584     (:,5,:)+adfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2;
585 foldDistanceMelRG1(:,4,:) = gbeProgMelRG1(:,7,:) - (pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1
586     (:,17,:))./2;
587 foldDistanceMelRG1(:,5,:) = gbeProgMelRG1(:,1,:) - (pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1
588     (:,17,:))./2;
589 foldDistanceMelRG1(:,6,:) = (pdfArrayMelRG1(:,5,:)+pdfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2 - (cfArrayMelRG1
590     (:,5,:)+cfArrayMelRG1(:,17,:))./2;
591 foldDistanceMelRG1(90,7,:) = [13 NaN NaN 19 16 21 8 NaN NaN 9 NaN NaN NaN]';
592 foldDistanceMelRG1(90,8,:) = [12 NaN 12 17 16 17 10 NaN NaN 11 NaN NaN NaN]';
593
594 %Results
595
596 averageADFSimpleSizeMelRG1 = squeeze(nanmean(adfArrayMelRG1(aBegDF:aEndDF,23,:)))
597 averageADFAdvancedSizeMelRG1 = squeeze(nanmean(adfArrayMelRG1(aBegDF:aEndDF,26,:)))
598 averageADFOpeningMelRG1 = squeeze(nanmean(adfArrayMelRG1(aBegDF:aEndDF,27,:)))
599
600 averagePDFSimpleSizeMelRG1 = squeeze(nanmean(pdfArrayMelRG1(aBegDF:aEndDF,23,:)))
601 averagePDFAdvancedSizeMelRG1 = squeeze(nanmean(pdfArrayMelRG1(aBegDF:aEndDF,26,:)))
602 averagePDFOpeningMelRG1 = squeeze(nanmean(pdfArrayMelRG1(aBegDF:aEndDF,27,:)))
603
604 averageCFSimpleSizeMelRG1 = squeeze((nanmean(cfArrayMelRG1(aBegCF:aEndCF,23,:))+nanmean(
605     cfArrayMelRG1((aBegCF+90):(aEndCF+90),23,:)))/2)
606 averageCFAdvancedSizeMelRG1 = squeeze((nanmean(cfArrayMelRG1(aBegCF:aEndCF,26,:))+nanmean(
607     cfArrayMelRG1((aBegCF+90):(aEndCF+90),26,:)))/2)
608 averageCFOpeningMelRG1 = squeeze((nanmean(cfArrayMelRG1(aBegCF:aEndCF,27,:))+nanmean(
609     cfArrayMelRG1((aBegCF+90):(aEndCF+90),27,:)))/2)
610
611 averageFoldDistanceMelRG1 = squeeze(nanmean(foldDistanceMelRG1(:,1:5,:)))';
612
613 %*****End Dmel RapGap1*****
614
615 figure(38)
616
617 hold on
618 scatter(squeeze(gbeProgMel(1,22,:)),0.56*(squeeze(gbeProgMel(1,4,:))-squeeze(gbeProgMel(1,7,:))
619     ),'red','filled');
620 scatter(squeeze(gbeProgPse(1,22,:)),0.56*(squeeze(gbeProgPse(1,4,:))-squeeze(gbeProgPse(1,7,:))
621     ),'blue','filled');
622 scatter(squeeze(gbeProgMelRG1(1,22,:)),0.56*(squeeze(gbeProgMelRG1(1,4,:))-squeeze(
623     gbeProgMelRG1(1,7,:))),'green','filled');
624
625
```



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612 title('PMG_opening_vs_GBE_at_posterior_PMG_edge');
613 xlabel('Germband_extension_in_%_of_egg_length');
614 ylabel('Distance_[\u03bcm]');
615 xlim([0 0.45]);
616 %ylim([280 460]);
617
618 hold off
619
620 figure(39)
621
622 hold on
623 scatter(squeeze(gbeProgMel(1,23,:)),0.56*(squeeze(gbeProgMel(1,4,:))-squeeze(gbeProgMel(1,7,:))
        ),'red','filled');
624 scatter(squeeze(gbeProgPse(1,23,:)),0.56*(squeeze(gbeProgPse(1,4,:))-squeeze(gbeProgPse(1,7,:))
        ),'blue','filled');
625 scatter(squeeze(gbeProgMelRG1(1,23,:)),0.56*(squeeze(gbeProgMelRG1(1,4,:))-squeeze(
        gbeProgMelRG1(1,7,:))),'green','filled');
626
627 title('PMG_opening_vs_GBE_at_anterior_PMG_edge');
628 xlabel('Germband_extension_in_%_of_egg_length');
629 ylabel('Distance_[\u03bcm]');
630 xlim([0 0.45]);
631 %ylim([280 460]);
632
633 hold off
634
635 figure(40)
636
637 hold on
638 scatter(squeeze(gbeProgMel(1,24,:)),0.56*(squeeze(gbeProgMel(1,4,:))-squeeze(gbeProgMel(1,7,:))
        ),'red','filled');
639 scatter(squeeze(gbeProgPse(1,24,:)),0.56*(squeeze(gbeProgPse(1,4,:))-squeeze(gbeProgPse(1,7,:))
        ),'blue','filled');
640 scatter(squeeze(gbeProgMelRG1(1,24,:)),0.56*(squeeze(gbeProgMelRG1(1,4,:))-squeeze(
        gbeProgMelRG1(1,7,:))),'green','filled');
641
642 title('PMG_opening_vs_GBE_at_PMG_center');
643 xlabel('Germband_extension_in_%_of_egg_length');
644 ylabel('Distance_[\u03bcm]');
645 xlim([0 0.45]);
646 %ylim([280 460]);
647
648 hold off

```

B.2.3 Germband extension analysis

The germband analysis script was used to analyze the data obtained from manual germband tracking using a custom made macro. It transformed the Cartesian coordinates from the tracked image into cylindrical coordinates, to visualize the deviation of the germband from the dorsal and ventral midlines as angle.

```

1
2 %%GBE analysis for 'Advanced_GBE_Tracking'-Macro
3
4 clear all
5
6 %Variable declaration
7

```

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```
8
9 inputGBEMelRapGap129C = NaN(100,15,17);
10 inputGBEMel29C = NaN(100,15,18);
11 inputGBEPse29C = NaN(100,15,14);
12
13 %Read txt files
14
15 melRG129CNumberArray = [2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 11 12 13 16 17 18 19 20 21];
16
17 mel29CNumberArray = [1 3 4 5 6 7 8 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20];
18
19 pse29CNumberArray = [1 3 5 6 7 8 10 11 14 16 17 18 19 20];
20
21 for i = 1:18
22
23     if i < 18
24         inputM29R = dlmread(['D:\Lucas_SPE_Data\Double_sided\Melanogaster_RapGap1_29C\
                Trackingdata\Advanced_GBE_Tracklog\Dmel_RapGap1_29C_E', num2str(
                melRG129CNumberArray(i)), '_Advanced_GBE_Tracklog.txt'], '_');
25         inputGBEMelRapGap129C(1:(length(inputM29R)-3),1:7,i) = inputM29R(4:end,4:10);
26         polesMelRapGap129C(i,1:3) = inputM29R(1,1:3);
27         polesMelRapGap129C(i,4:6) = inputM29R(2,1:3);
28         polesMelRapGap129C(i,7:9) = inputM29R(3,1:3);
29         % axisInputMelRG1(i,:) = load(['F:\Lucas_SPE_Data\Double_sided\Melanogaster_RapGap1_29C\
                Trackingdata\Folds\TRACKLogAxis_Dmel_RapGap1_E', num2str(melRG1NumberArray(i)), '_Mat
                .txt']);
30     end
31
32     if i < 19
33         inputM29 = dlmread(['D:\Lucas_SPE_Data\Double_sided\Melanogaster_29C\Trackingdata\
                Advanced_GBE_Tracklog\Dmel_29C_E', num2str(mel29CNumberArray(i)),
                '_Advanced_GBE_Tracklog.txt'], '_');
34         inputGBEMel29C(1:(length(inputM29)-3),1:7,i) = inputM29(4:end,4:10);
35         polesMel29C(i,1:3) = inputM29(1,1:3);
36         polesMel29C(i,4:6) = inputM29(2,1:3);
37         polesMel29C(i,7:9) = inputM29(3,1:3);
38         % axisInputMel(i,:) = load(['F:\Lucas_SPE_Data\Double_sided\Melanogaster_29C\
                Trackingdata\Folds\TRACKLogAxis_Dmel_E', num2str(melNumberArray(i)), '_Mat.txt']);
39     end
40     if i < 15
41         inputP29 = dlmread(['D:\Lucas_SPE_Data\Double_sided\Pseudoobscura_29C\Trackingdata\
                Advanced_GBE_Tracklog\Dpse_29C_E', num2str(pse29CNumberArray(i)),
                '_Advanced_GBE_Tracklog.txt'], '_');
42         inputGBEPse29C(1:(length(inputP29)-3),1:7,i) = inputP29(4:end,4:10);
43         polesPse29C(i,1:3) = inputP29(1,1:3);
44         polesPse29C(i,4:6) = inputP29(2,1:3);
45         polesPse29C(i,7:9) = inputP29(3,1:3);
46         %axisInputPse(i,:) = load(['F:\Lucas_SPE_Data\Double_sided\Pseudoobscura_29C\
                Trackingdata\Folds\TRACKLogAxis_Dpse_E', num2str(pseNumberArray(i)), '_Mat.txt']);
47     end
48 end
49
50 %Sort into new table
51
52 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,1:3,1:17) = inputGBEMelRapGap129C(2:2:end,1:3,:); %Ventral points cols
    1:3, 4:6 reserved for calculations
53 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,11:13,1:17) = inputGBEMelRapGap129C(1:2:end,1:3,:); %Dorsal points cols
    7:9, 10:12 reserved for calculations
54 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,21:23,1:17) = inputGBEMelRapGap129C(2:2:end,5:7,:); %Circle params cols
    13:15
55
56 calcGBEMel29C(:,1:3,1:18) = inputGBEMel29C(2:2:end,1:3,:); %Ventral points cols 1:3, 4:6
    reserved for calculations
```

```

57 calcGBEMel29C(:,11:13,1:18) = inputGBEMel29C(1:2:end,1:3,:); %Dorsal points cols 7:9, 10:12
    reserved for calculations
58 calcGBEMel29C(:,21:23,1:18) = inputGBEMel29C(2:2:end,5:7,:); %Circle params cols 13:15
59
60 calcGBEPse29C(:,1:3,1:14) = inputGBEPse29C(2:2:end,1:3,:); %Ventral points cols 1:3, 4:6
    reserved for calculations
61 calcGBEPse29C(:,11:13,1:14) = inputGBEPse29C(1:2:end,1:3,:); %Dorsal points cols 7:9, 10:12
    reserved for calculations
62 calcGBEPse29C(:,21:23,1:14) = inputGBEPse29C(2:2:end,5:7,:); %Circle params cols 13:15
63
64 % Do calculations
65
66 %Melanogaster RapGap1
67 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,4,1:17) = calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,1,1:17) - calcGBEMelRapGap129C
    (:,21,1:17); %xCirc
68 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,5,1:17) = calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,2,1:17) - calcGBEMelRapGap129C
    (:,22,1:17); %yCirc
69 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,6,1:17) = sqrt((calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,4,1:17)).^2 + (
    calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,5,1:17)).^2); %Radius
70 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,7,1:17) = atan2(calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,4,1:17),calcGBEMelRapGap129C
    (:,5,1:17)); %Angle
71
72 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,4:7,18) = nanmean(abs(calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,4:7,1:17)),3);
    %Calculate Means
73 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,9:10,18) = nanvar(calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,6:7,1:17),[],3);
    %Calculate Variance
74
75 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,14,1:17) = calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,11,1:17) - calcGBEMelRapGap129C
    (:,21,1:17); %xCirc
76 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,15,1:17) = calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,12,1:17) - calcGBEMelRapGap129C
    (:,22,1:17); %yCirc
77 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,16,1:17) = sqrt((calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,14,1:17)).^2 + (
    calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,15,1:17)).^2); %Radius
78 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,17,1:17) = atan2(calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,14,1:17),-calcGBEMelRapGap129C
    (:,15,1:17)); %Angle
79
80 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,14:17,18) = nanmean(abs(calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,14:17,1:17)),3);
    %Calculate Means
81 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,19:20,18) = nanvar(calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,16:17,1:17),[],3);
    %Calculate Variance
82
83 calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,24,1:17) = calcGBEMelRapGap129C(:,3,1:17) * 20 + 10;
    %Axis
84
85 %Melanogaster
86 calcGBEMel29C(:,4,1:18) = calcGBEMel29C(:,1,1:18) - calcGBEMel29C(:,21,1:18);
    %xCirc
87 calcGBEMel29C(:,5,1:18) = calcGBEMel29C(:,2,1:18) - calcGBEMel29C(:,22,1:18);
    %yCirc
88 calcGBEMel29C(:,6,1:18) = sqrt((calcGBEMel29C(:,4,1:18)).^2 + (calcGBEMel29C(:,5,1:18)).^2);
    %Radius
89 calcGBEMel29C(:,7,1:18) = atan2(calcGBEMel29C(:,4,1:18),calcGBEMel29C(:,5,1:18));
    %Angle
90
91 calcGBEMel29C(:,4:7,19) = nanmean(abs(calcGBEMel29C(:,4:7,1:18)),3);
    %Calculate Means
92 calcGBEMel29C(:,9:10,19) = nanvar(calcGBEMel29C(:,6:7,1:18),[],3);
    %Calculate Variance
93
94 calcGBEMel29C(:,14,1:18) = calcGBEMel29C(:,11,1:18) - calcGBEMel29C(:,21,1:18);
    %xCirc
95 calcGBEMel29C(:,15,1:18) = calcGBEMel29C(:,12,1:18) - calcGBEMel29C(:,22,1:18);
    %yCirc

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96 calcGBEMel29C(:,16,1:18) = sqrt((calcGBEMel29C(:,14,1:18)).^2 + (calcGBEMel29C(:,15,1:18)).^2);
    %Radius
97 calcGBEMel29C(:,17,1:18) = atan2(calcGBEMel29C(:,14,1:18),-calcGBEMel29C(:,15,1:18));
    %Angle
98
99 calcGBEMel29C(:,14:17,19) = nanmean(abs(calcGBEMel29C(:,14:17,1:18)),3);
    %Calculate Means
100 calcGBEMel29C(:,19:20,19) = nanvar(calcGBEMel29C(:,16:17,1:18),[],3); %Calculate
    Variance
101
102 calcGBEMel29C(:,24,1:18) = calcGBEMel29C(:,3,1:18) * 20 + 10;
    %Axis
103
104 %Pseudoobscura
105 calcGBEPse29C(:,4,1:14) = calcGBEPse29C(:,1,1:14) - calcGBEPse29C(:,21,1:14);
    %xCirc
106 calcGBEPse29C(:,5,1:14) = calcGBEPse29C(:,2,1:14) - calcGBEPse29C(:,22,1:14);
    %yCirc
107 calcGBEPse29C(:,6,1:14) = sqrt((calcGBEPse29C(:,4,1:14)).^2 + (calcGBEPse29C(:,5,1:14)).^2);
    %Radius
108 calcGBEPse29C(:,7,1:14) = atan2(calcGBEPse29C(:,4,1:14),calcGBEPse29C(:,5,1:14));
    %Angle
109
110 calcGBEPse29C(:,4:7,15) = nanmean(abs(calcGBEPse29C(:,4:7,1:14)),3);
    %Calculate Means
111 calcGBEPse29C(:,9:10,15) = nanvar(calcGBEPse29C(:,6:7,1:14),[],3);
    %Calculate Variance
112
113 calcGBEPse29C(:,14,1:14) = calcGBEPse29C(:,11,1:14) - calcGBEPse29C(:,21,1:14);
    %xCirc
114 calcGBEPse29C(:,15,1:14) = calcGBEPse29C(:,12,1:14) - calcGBEPse29C(:,22,1:14);
    %yCirc
115 calcGBEPse29C(:,16,1:14) = sqrt((calcGBEPse29C(:,14,1:14)).^2 + (calcGBEPse29C(:,15,1:14)).^2);
    %Radius
116 calcGBEPse29C(:,17,1:14) = atan2(calcGBEPse29C(:,14,1:14),-calcGBEPse29C(:,15,1:14));
    %Angle
117
118 calcGBEPse29C(:,14:17,15) = nanmean(abs(calcGBEPse29C(:,14:17,1:14)),3);
    %Calculate Means
119 calcGBEPse29C(:,19:20,15) = nanvar(calcGBEPse29C(:,16:17,1:14),[],3);
    %Calculate Variance
120
121 calcGBEPse29C(:,24,:,:) = calcGBEPse29C(:,3,:,:) * 20 + 10;
    %Axis
122
123 %Plotting
124
125 %%Polar histogramm plot
126
127 figure(60)
128 pax = polaraxes('rlim',[0 6]);
129 hold on
130 polarhistogram(calcGBEMel29C(6,7,1:18),700);
131 polarhistogram((calcGBEMel29C(6,17,1:18)+pi),700);
132 hold off
133 title('Melanogaster_29C');
134 pax.ThetaZeroLocation = 'bottom';
135 pax.RLim = [0 1];
136 pax.RTick = [0 1];
137
138 figure(61)
139 pax = polaraxes('rlim',[0 6]);
140 hold on
141 polarhistogram(calcGBEMelRapGap129C(6,7,1:17),700);
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142 polarhistogram((calcGBEMelRapGap129C(6,17,1:17)+pi),700);
143 hold off
144 title('Melanogaster_Rapgap_1_29C');
145 pax.ThetaZeroLocation = 'bottom';
146 pax.RLim = [0 1];
147 pax.RTick = [0 1];
148
149 figure(62)
150 pax = polaraxes('rlim',[0 6]);
151 hold on
152 polarhistogram(calcGBEPse29C(6,7,1:14),700);
153 polarhistogram((calcGBEPse29C(6,17,1:14)+pi),700);
154 hold off
155 title('Pseudoobscura_29C');
156 pax.ThetaZeroLocation = 'bottom';
157 pax.RLim = [0 1];
158 pax.RTick = [0 1];
159
160 figure(41)
161 title('Melanogaster_RapGap1_29C');
162 ylim([-2 2]);
163 hold on
164 for a = 1:17
165     plot(-calcGBEMelRapGap129C(1:50,24,a),calcGBEMelRapGap129C(1:50,7,a));
166     plot(calcGBEMelRapGap129C(1:50,24,a),calcGBEMelRapGap129C(1:50,17,a));
167 end
168 hold off
169
170 figure(42)
171 title('Melanogaster_29C');
172 ylim([-2 2]);
173 hold on
174 for a = 1:18
175     plot(-calcGBEMel29C(1:50,24,a),calcGBEMel29C(1:50,7,a));
176     plot(calcGBEMel29C(1:50,24,a),calcGBEMel29C(1:50,17,a));
177 end
178 hold off
179
180
181 figure(43)
182 title('Pseudoobscura_29C');
183 ylim([-2 2]);
184 hold on
185 for a = 1:14
186     plot(-calcGBEPse29C(1:50,24,a),calcGBEPse29C(1:50,7,a));
187     plot(calcGBEPse29C(1:50,24,a),calcGBEPse29C(1:50,17,a));
188 end
189 hold off

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B.2.4 Tracking analysis

To be found on the CD (>1000 lines). The tracking analysis script was used to visualize the tracks and calculate and visualize parameters. The main steps are listed in the method section.