# From General to Clinical: Adapting Foundation Models for Medical Images

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Research interest:

- Distribution shifts
- Test-time adaptation
- Foundation models



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Research interest:

- Multi-modal Learning
- Foundation models
- Segmentation

### **Towards Foundation Models**



Pretraining stage is extremely expensive

(hundreds of billions of parameters)

Fine tuning is way cheaper than training for every task

### **Towards Medical Foundation Models**



### HEALTHCARE DATA

REUSABLE COMPONENTS

TASK ADAPTATION

HUMAN-AI COLLABORATION

### How to use shots for Foundation models?

### Zero-Shot



Model predicts the answer with a natural language task description.

In addition to task description, the model sees a single example of the task.

No Gradient updates

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### One-Shot



Translate English to French:	$\longleftarrow$ task desc
sea otter => loutre de mer	← examples
peppermint => menthe poivrée	~
plush girafe => girafe peluche	$\leftarrow$
cheese =>	← prompt

In addition to task description, the model sees a few examples of the task.

No Gradient updates

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### Goals of the Seminar

### **Understand:**

### (i) What is self supervised learning (SSL):

Learn strategies to leverage large corpuses of data for pretraining large models (ii) What are foundation models (FM):

Understand what FM are and how do they work (iii) Adaptation of FM for clinical applications

#### Learn:

How to read and present a scientific paper How to design and present a scientific poster

#### **Know better:**

A wide range of foundation models and how to adapt and align them to medical imaging applications

Guest speaker talks on the topic