

# Semantic Motif Segmentation of Archaeological Fresco Fragments

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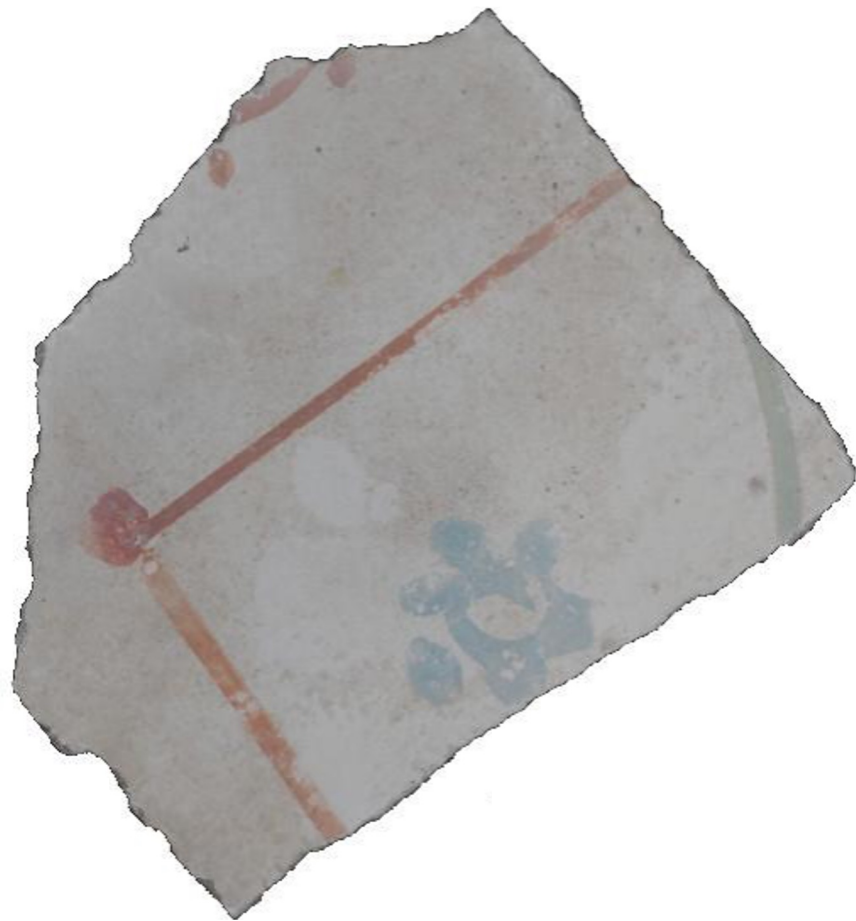
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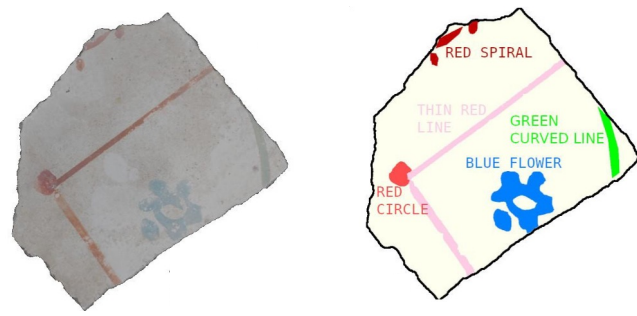


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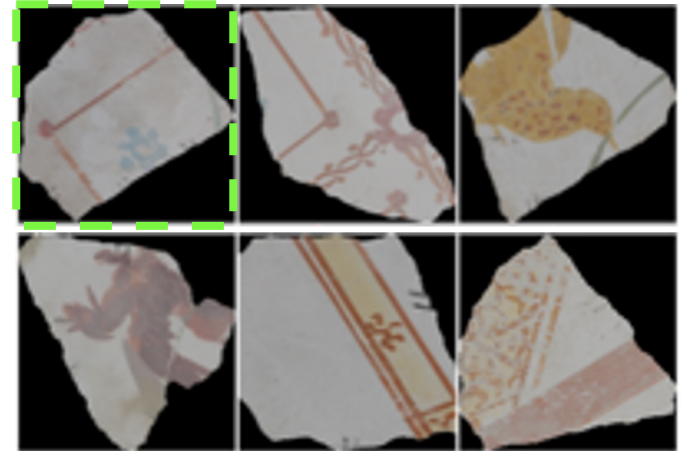
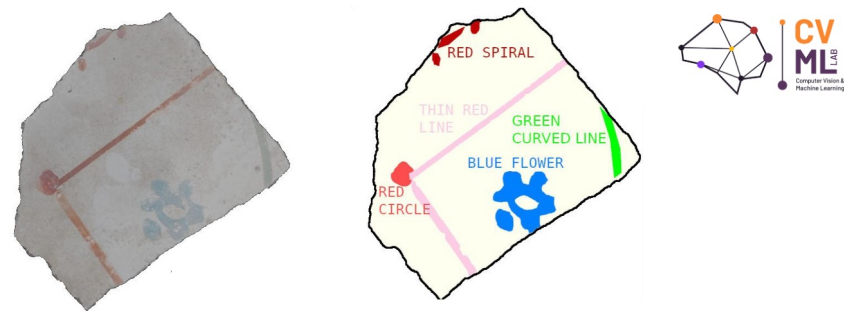


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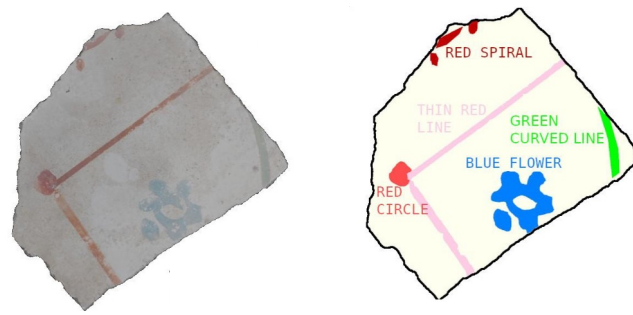


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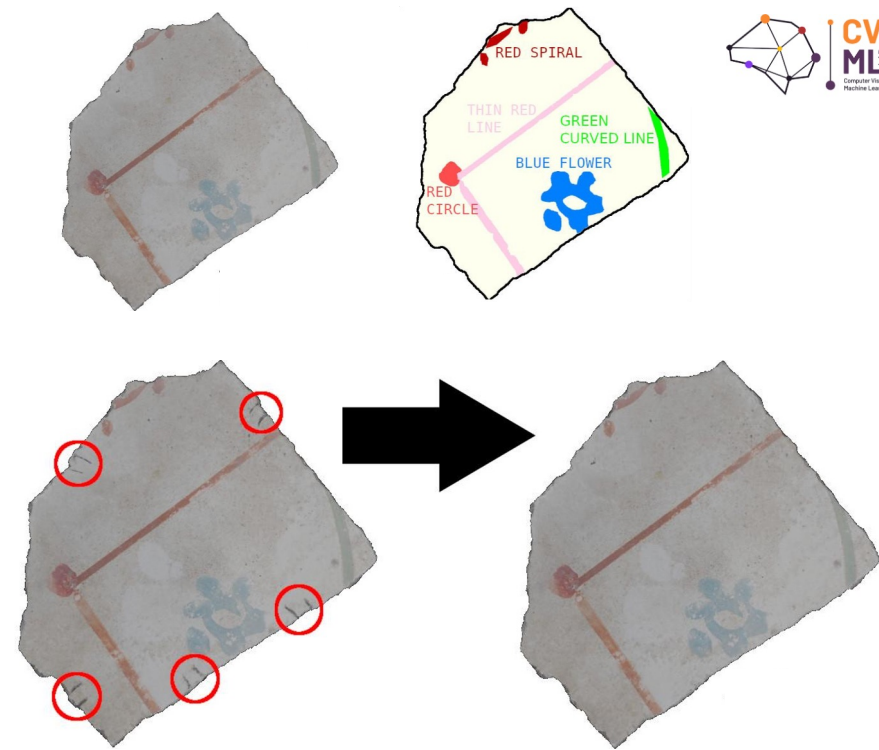


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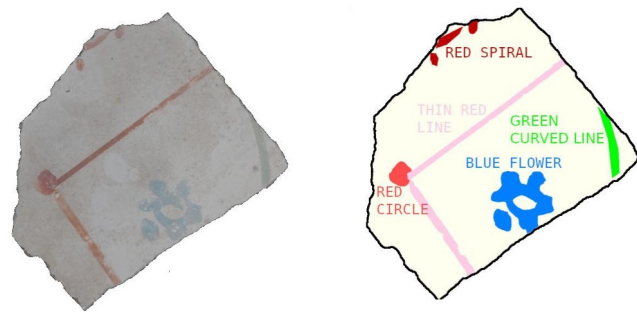


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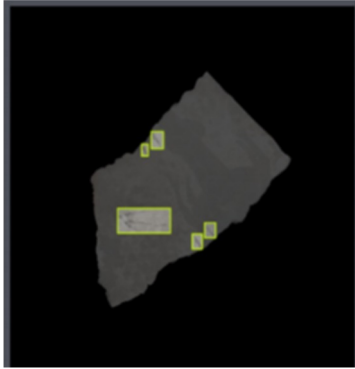
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- Fresco reconstruction





# Datasets

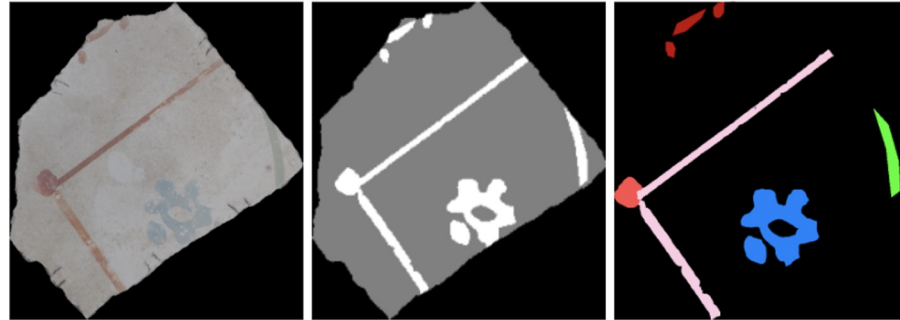
## BoFF Dataset



Curated for the task of restoration of manual annotations on fresco fragments

- 115 images
- Bounding box annotations of black-marks

## MoFF Dataset



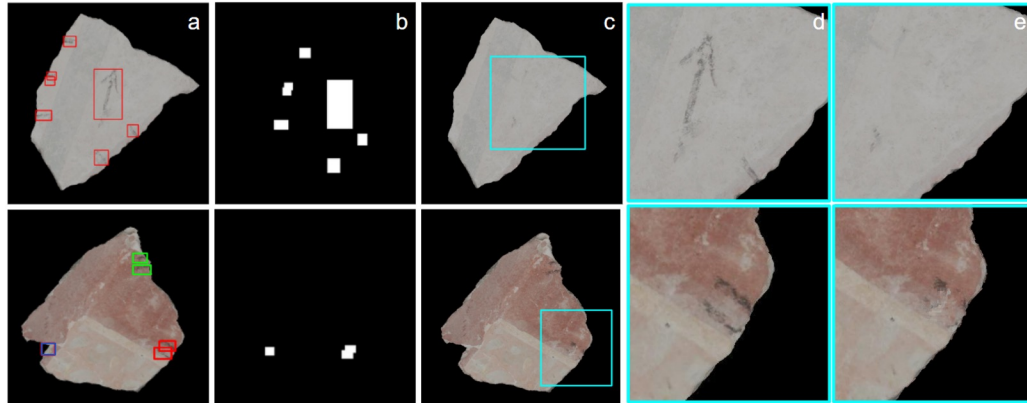
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- 3-class annotation (scenario 1)
- 12-class annotation (scenario 2)

# Black mark removal

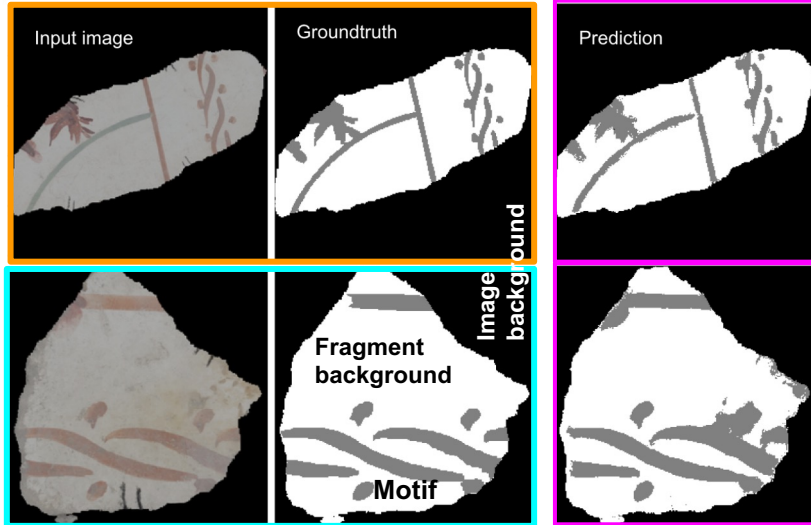
The table below shows numerical results of YOLOv5 model for detecting black marks on the fresco fragments.

Model	Precision	mAp0.5	TP	FP	FN
YOLOv5	0.741	0.596	28	3	11



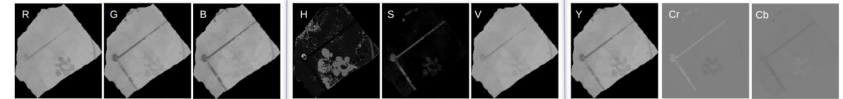
Criminisi [1] exemplar-based inpainting is used in two iterations to eliminate detected marks.

# Semantic Segmentation of Background and Motifs



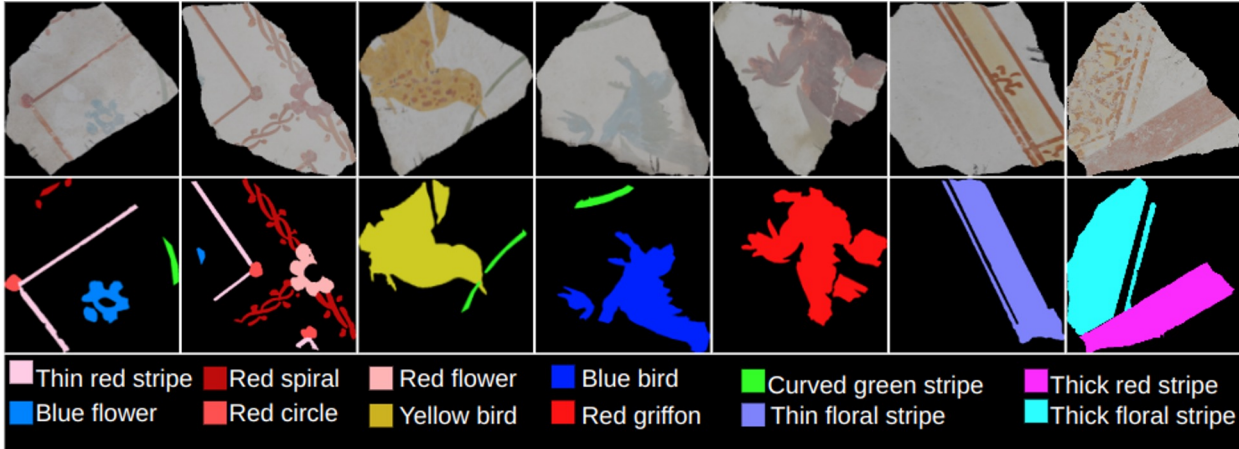
**3-class** segmentation problem is studied using:

- **Original** and **modified U-NET** architectures
- Input images in various **color spaces** and **image enhancement** schemes



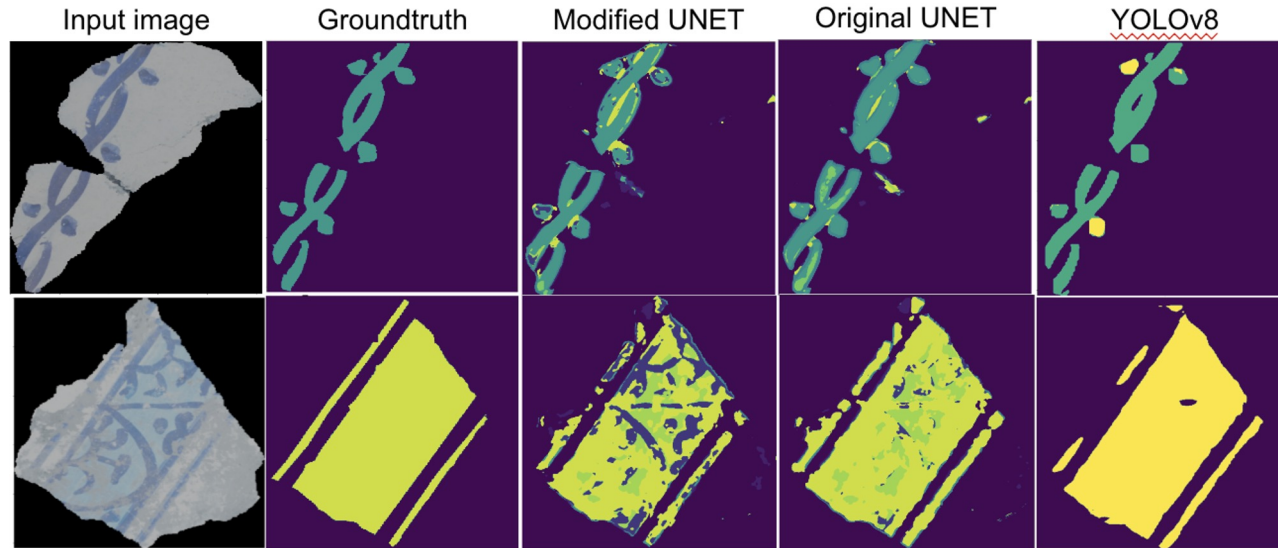
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Herein we address **a more challenging** task of semantically segmenting motifs into 12 distinct classes.



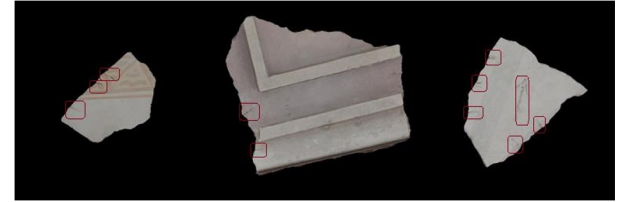
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- We used both UNET and YOLOv8 for semantic segmentation of motifs.

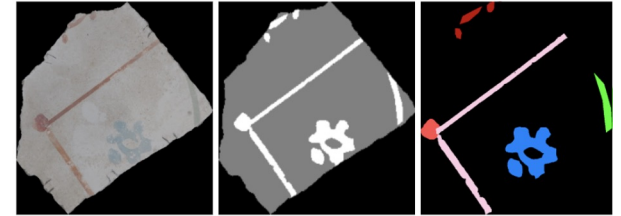


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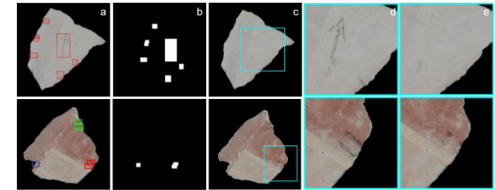
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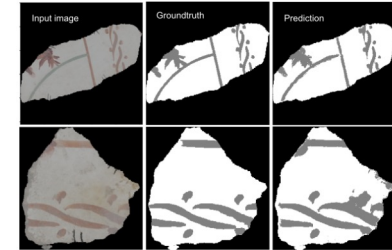
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**Task 1: Restoration of Manual Annotations**  
(Mark Removal + Inpainting)



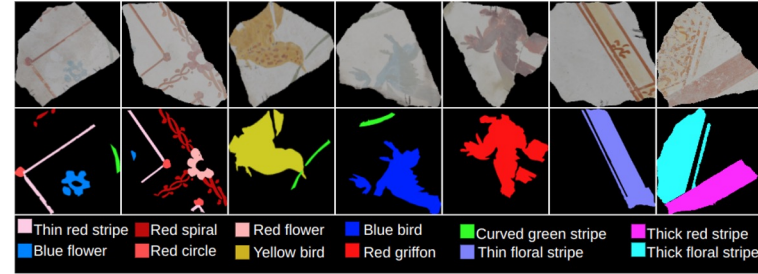
**Task 2: Fragment Semantic Segmentation**  
(Fragments and Motif-only)



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