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Deep Neural Network Analyses of Spirometry for Structural Phenotyping of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

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STROBE Statement—Checklist of items that should be included in reports of *cross-sectional studies*

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Quantitative variables	11	Explain how quantitative variables were handled in the analyses. If applicable, describe which groupings were chosen and why	11-15
Statistical methods	12	(a) Describe all statistical methods, including those used to control for confounding	15
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		(c) Explain how missing data were addressed	N/A
		(d) If applicable, describe analytical methods taking account of sampling strategy	N/A
		(e) Describe any sensitivity analyses	N/A
Results			
Participants	13*	(a) Report numbers of individuals at each stage of study—eg numbers potentially eligible, examined for eligibility, confirmed eligible, included in the study, completing follow-up, and analysed	5
		(b) Give reasons for non-participation at each stage	5
		(c) Consider use of a flow diagram	Fig 1
Descriptive data	14*	(a) Give characteristics of study participants (eg demographic, clinical, social) and information on exposures and potential confounders	5
		(b) Indicate number of participants with missing data for each variable of interest	5
Outcome data	15*	Report numbers of outcome events or summary measures	5

Main results	16	(a) Give unadjusted estimates and, if applicable, confounder-adjusted estimates and their precision (eg, 95% confidence interval). Make clear which confounders were adjusted for and why they were included	6-7
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Other information			
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*Give information separately for exposed and unexposed groups.

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Additional Results

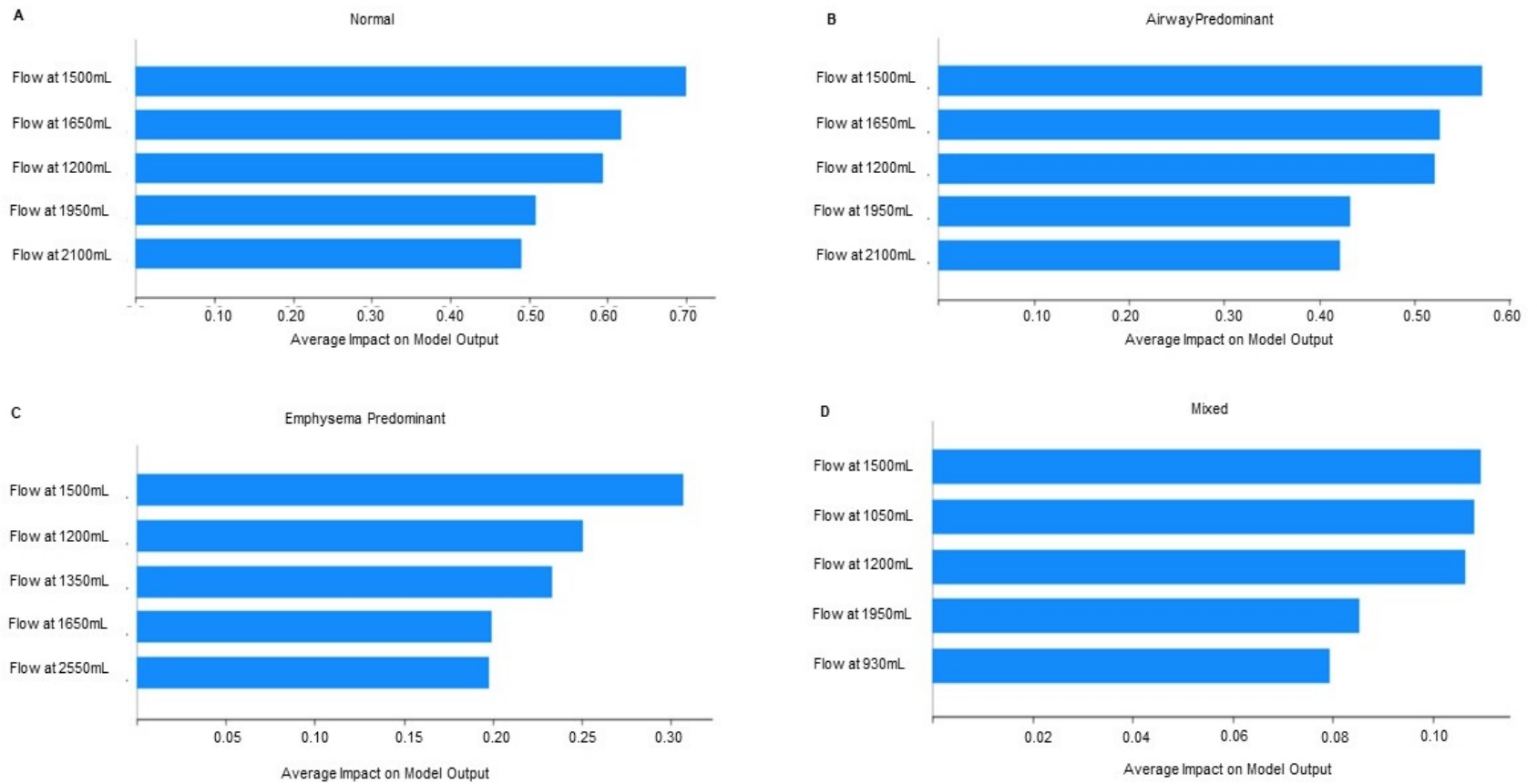


Figure S1: Plots showing the best five features (flow values at specific volumes) on the expiratory flow-volume curve for the prediction of each structural phenotype. Emphysema $>5\%$ and $Pi_{10} > \text{median}$ were used to define CT phenotypes. Feature importance was estimated from the results of the fully convolutional network model by SHapley Additive exPlanations (SHAP).

Figure S2 Top Panel

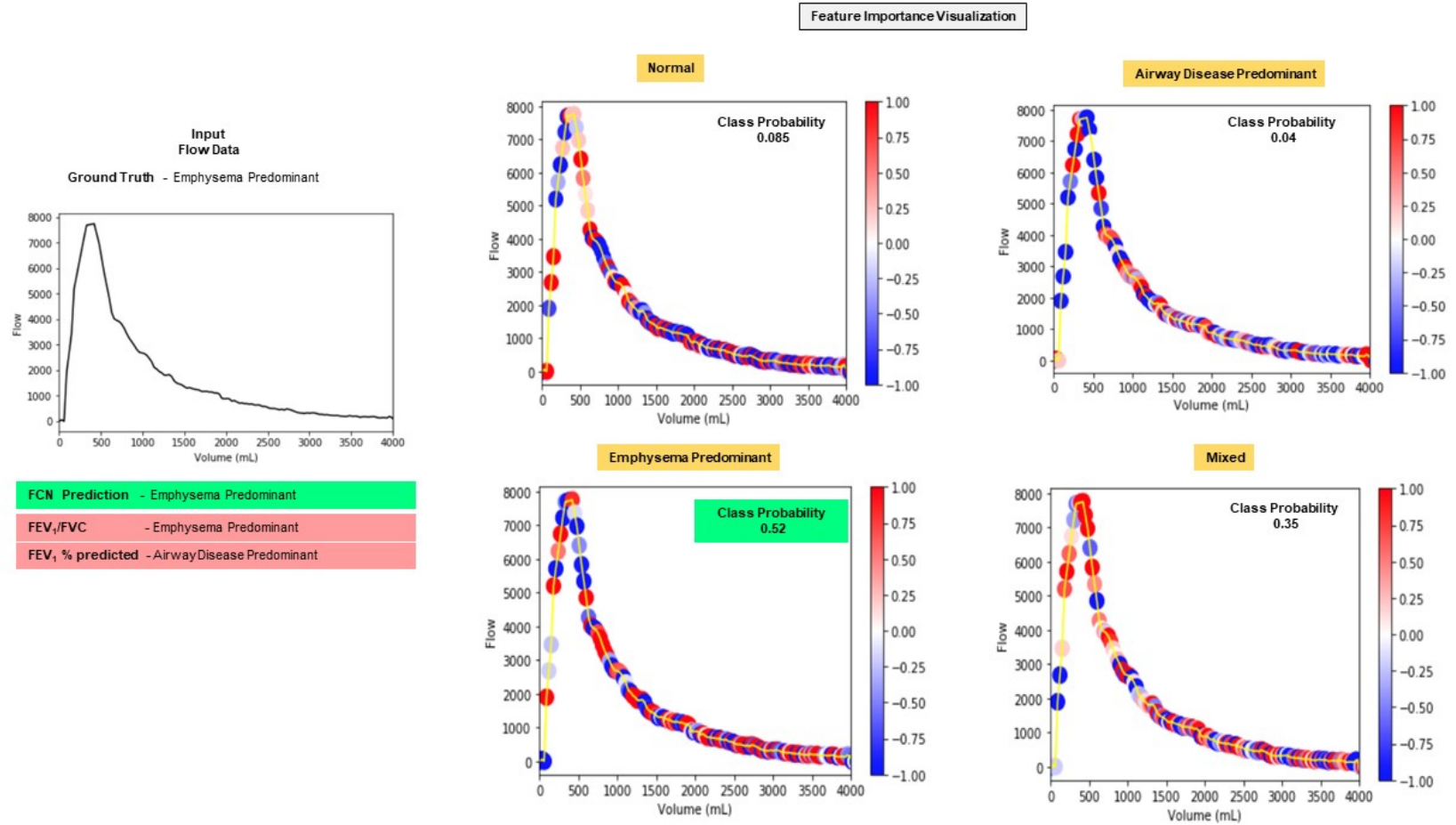


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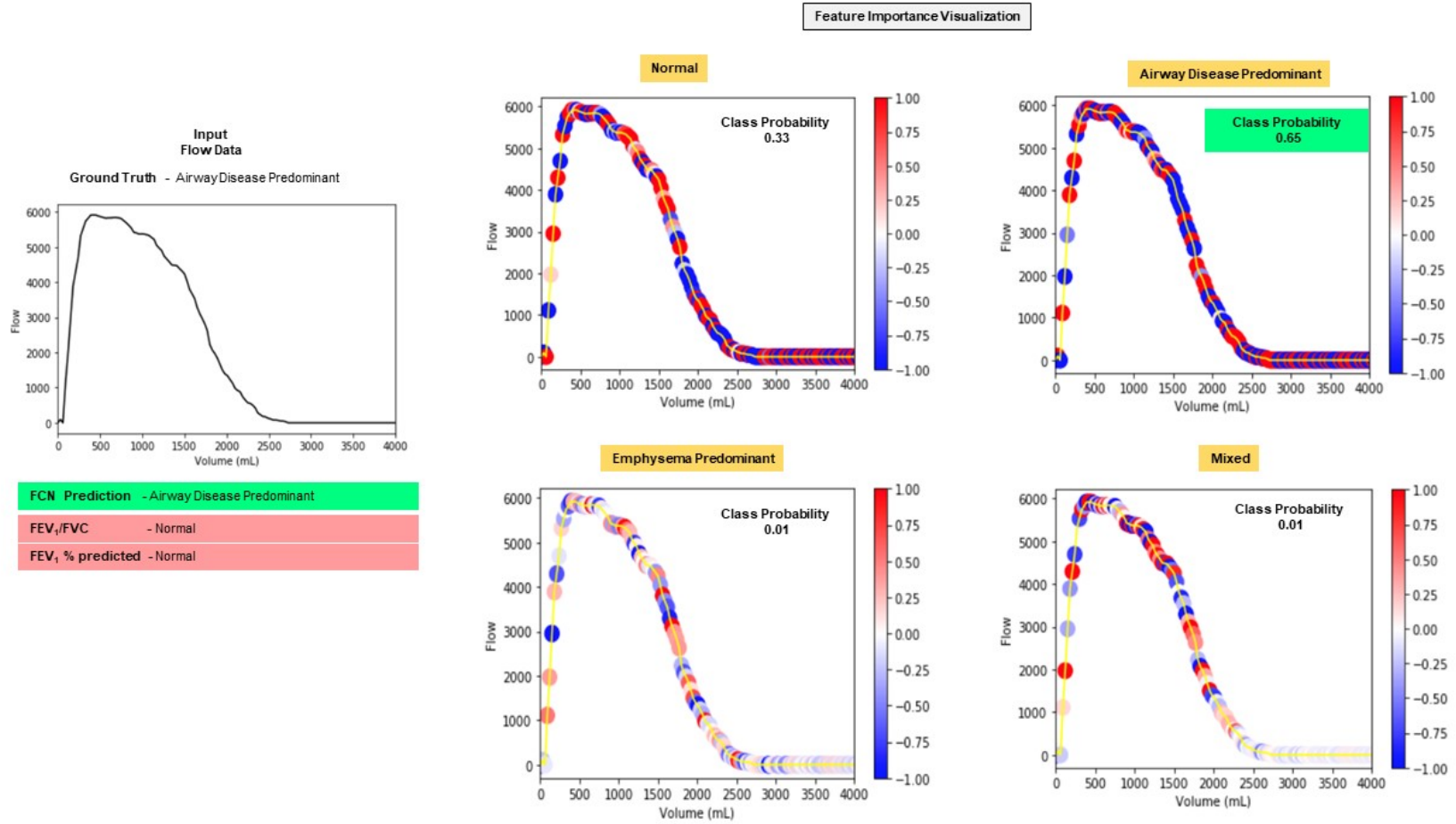


Figure S2: Visualization of SHapley Additive exPlanations (SHAP) values (feature importance) given to each data point on the expiratory flow-volume curve by FCN for the prediction of representative structural phenotypes. Emphysema >5% and Pi10 >median were used to define CT phenotypes.

Top Panel shows Airway-predominant COPD and **Bottom Panel** shows Emphysema-predominant COPD. The feature importance is represented by normalized SHAP values where SHAP value in red represents high impact on the model output and SHAP value in blue represents low impact on the model output. Figure 4a shows a representative flow-volume curve from an individual with airway-predominant disease where the FEV₁/FVC and FEV₁ %predicted measurements misclassified the individual as normal. The FCN, on the other hand, correctly classified the flow-volume curve into the airway-predominant category. Figure 4b shows a flow-volume curve for an individual with emphysema predominant disease where the FEV₁/FVC measurements misclassified the individual as having mixed phenotype and FEV₁ %predicted measurement as airway predominant phenotype. FCN was able to accurately classify this individual.

FEV₁ = Forced expiratory volume in the first second. FVC = Forced vital capacity.

Additional Methods

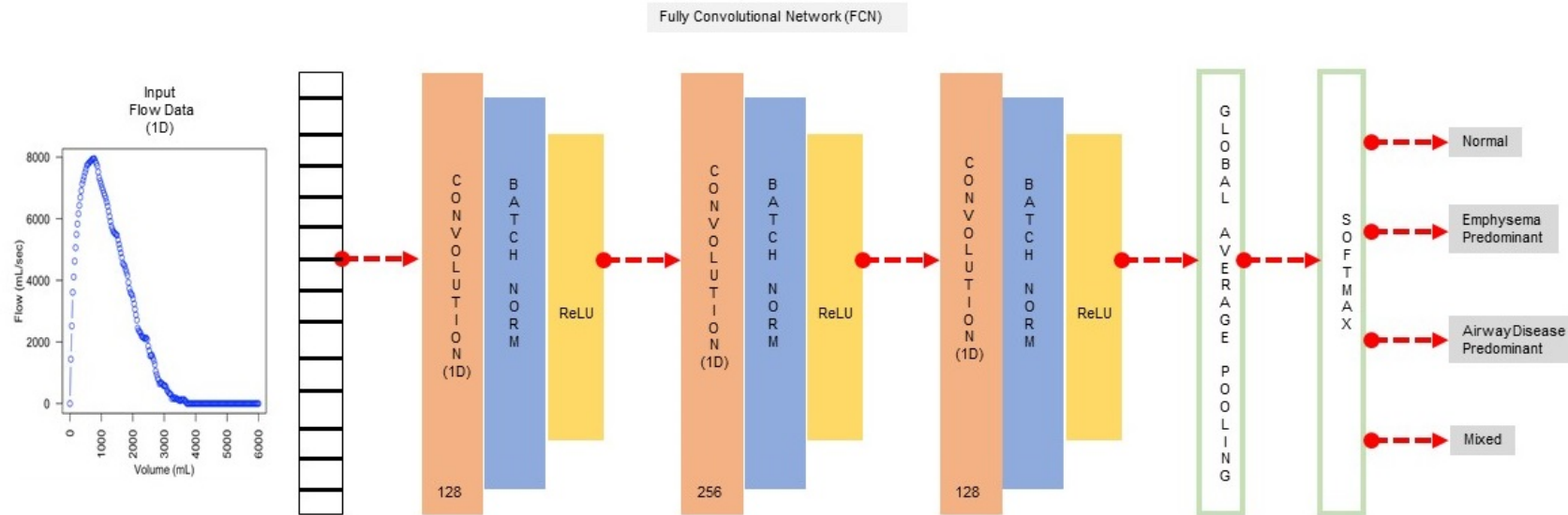


Figure S3: Architecture of Fully Convolutional Network (FCN). 'BATCH NORM' represents batch normalization layer. 'ReLU' represents rectified linear unit activation layers. 'SOFTMAX' represents the final dense 4-class classification layer.

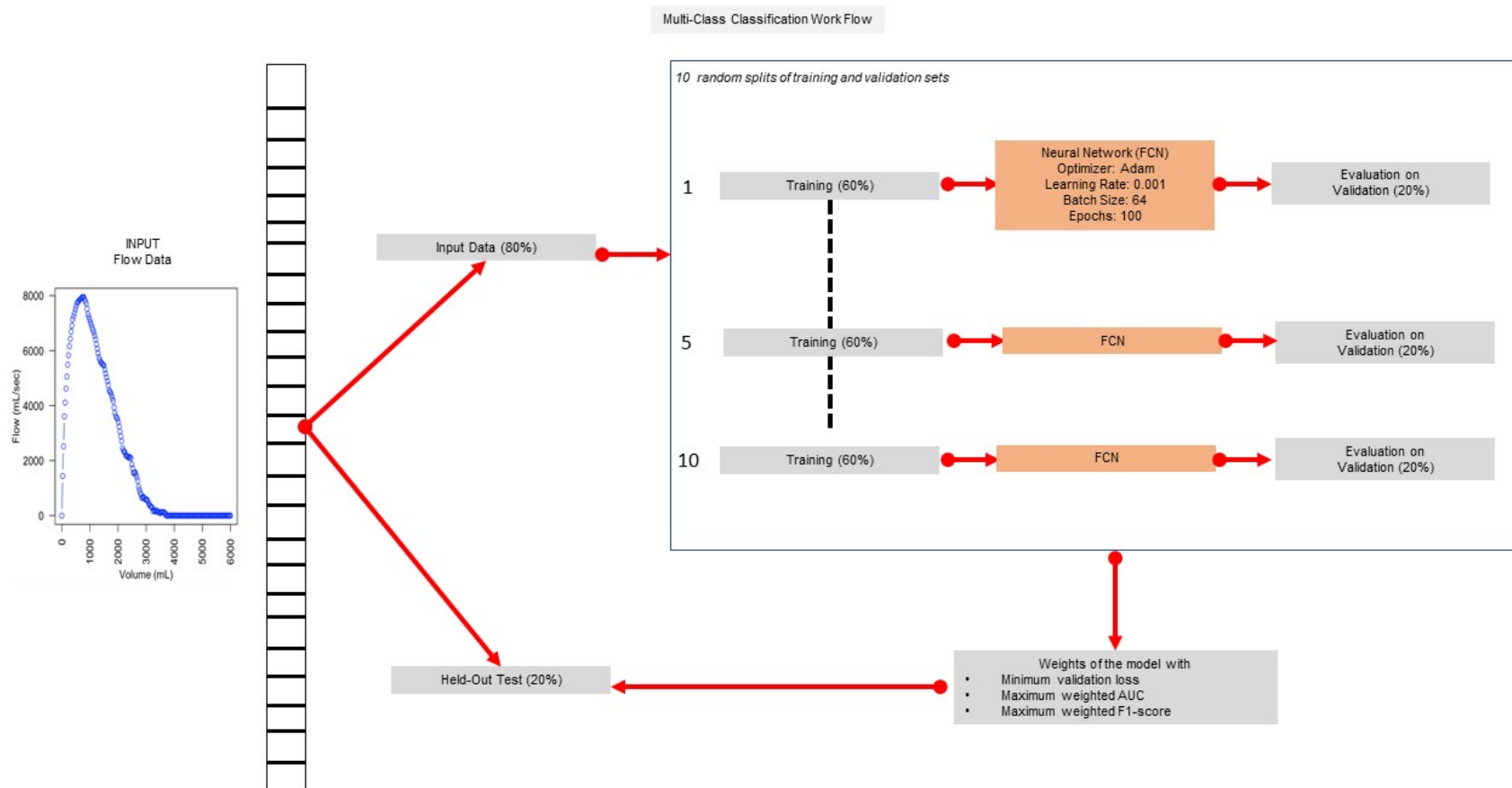


Figure S4: Multi-class classification workflow. The input sequence was divided into 20% held out test dataset and remaining 80% (60% training and 20% validation) was used for training the neural network. The training procedure was repeated for 10 random splits of

training and validation where the weights of the model with minimum validation loss were selected for evaluation in the test dataset.

Weighted area under the curve (AUC) and weighted F1-score were used as performance evaluation measures.

Feature Importance

We computed SHapley Additive exPlanation (SHAP) values to estimate the approximate contribution of each variable to the FCN's predictions. SHAP is a unified approach that connects game theory with local explanations, where each player is assigned a weight (SHAP value) representing the player's contribution to the team (i.e., a predictor's contribution to a model's predicted value).⁴⁶ SHAP values are obtained by retraining the model over all possible combinations of features and measuring how changes in the feature values impact the model's predictions. We defined variable importance as the absolute SHAP value, i.e., variables that contribute the largest amount to the model's predictions are the most important. Using this definition, we identified the five most important predictors for each phenotype. The SHAP values of the most important predictors were overlaid on the expiratory flow-volume curves to visualize important contributors to specific phenotypes. Please note that SHAP provides information on the most important activation features.

We applied SHAP values to identify five features for each structural phenotype that had the greatest impact on the FCNs predictions (**Figure S3**). The feature with the highest SHAP value for most classes was the flow at 1500 ml volume, except for emphysema predominant disease where flow at 1200 ml had the highest SHAP value. The predominant features for airway disease were primarily flows at higher volumes whereas those for emphysema and mixed disease had an admixture of flows at high and low volumes. We also applied SHAP values to generate patient-specific expiratory flow-volume curves that show the relative contribution of different parts of individual's expiratory flow-volume data to their predicted odds of having emphysema-predominant and airway-predominant disease (**Figure S4**).

Please note that SHAP provides information on the most important activation features. These activation points are displayed for visual illustration.

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