

# CAF dataset for Allen Reference Atlas

The following description is related to Allen Reference Atlas CAF dataset available with following links: [live preview](#), [dataset details](#).

Detailed description of volume preprocessing:

1. Fetch `AtlasAnnotation25.sva` sparse volume file from [ABA Website](#).
2. Coordinates in this volume are expressed in Mouse ABAvoxel 1.0 (`ABAvoxel`, `INCF:0100`) SRS, in which units of measurements are voxels. In order to express coordinates in stereotaxic coordinates (with bregma point defined as origin of the coordinate system), the volume has to be transformed into Mouse ABAreference 1.0 SRS (`ABAreference`, `INCF:0101`).
3. Such transformation is given by the [TransfomPOI](#) INCF DAI service (ie. [this request](#)).
4. Transformation may be calculated from 4 points in `ABAvoxel` SRS (`p1`, `p2`, `p3`, `p4`) and 4 corresponding point in `ABAreference` SRS (`p1'`, `p2'`, `p3'`, `p4'`) by solving following equation:

After all, matrix **M** is:

```
M=[
[ 2.71693750e-02 -8.17542750e-05 -5.01197500e-04 -1.25701700e+00]
[ 8.92628250e-04 2.82020000e-02 -2.71143000e-04 -1.28628500e+00]
[ -5.86774750e-04 -8.96920500e-04 -2.59281250e-02 6.04778000e+00]
[ 0.00000000e+00 1.73472348e-18 0.00000000e+00 1.00000000e+00]]
```

and **M'**:

```
M'=[
[ 1.00000000e+00 -2.89888217e-03 -1.93302640e-02 -1.25701700e+00]
[ 3.28542063e-02 1.00000000e+00 -1.04574858e-02 -1.28628500e+00]
[ -2.15969175e-02 -3.18034359e-02 -1.00000000e+00 6.04778000e+00]
[ 0.00000000e+00 6.15106544e-17 0.00000000e+00 1.00000000e+00]]
```

Then, initial volume `AtlasAnnotation25.sva` is transformed using **M'** and the resulting volume is used by the 3dBAR parser to create CAF dataset.

Below you may find comparison of brain outlines created using raw volume (dark gray) and volume after transformation (light gray):