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NS-PVDB is comprised of 2,000 subjects with 6 samples per each, which were obtained by applying sample augmentation. Since palm vein recognition systems only use a region-of-interest (ROI) from the image of a human hand, we concentrate our study on generating ROI samples of palm vein images. The synthetic images were generated based on natural transport network to simulate the palmar vascular network and generate palm vein images for biometric recognitions purposes. All generated images were compared against all samples in the synthetic dataset aiming to ensure that each individual is unique in the database. Images are labeled as follow: ID_sample.png where "ID" is a 5-digits number representing individual's ID, and "sample" stands for the sample number from 1 to 6 (6 samples per individual). The format of the images is PNG, and the size is 128x128 pixels.

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