Artificial Intelligence in Clinical Imaging





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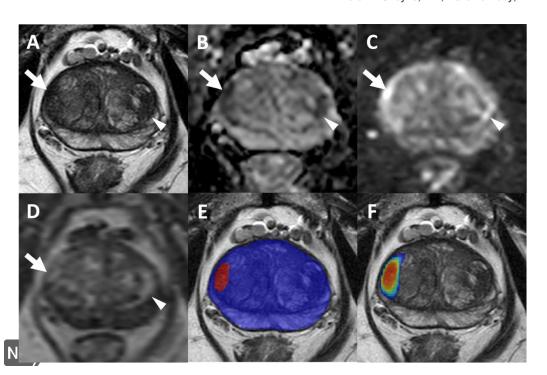
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- Royalties from NIH
- Patents in the field of Al
- Research samples of an MRI artificial intelligence (AI) algorithm developed in NCI in collaboration with NVIDIA will be shown in this talk

Original Investigation

A Cascaded Deep Learning-Based Artificial Intelligence Algorithm for Automated Lesion Detection and Classification on Biparametric Prostate Magnetic Resonance Imaging

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- 1390 patients (n=350 outside NIH)
 - train/test (89%/11%)
- Lesions were contoured + assigned PI-RADS category
- 3D U-Net: lesion detection and segmentation
- Two 3D residual neural network: PI-RADS categorization
 - PPV (CDR) = 63%
 - False positives/patient = 0.44 lesion/patient
 - TP= 82% were cancer
 - FP=51% were benign
 - Lesion segmentation (DSC) = 0.36
 - PI-RADS classification accuracy=58%

Radiology: Imaging Cancer

External Validation of a Previously Developed Deep Learning-

based Prosta and In-House

Enis C. Yilmaz, MD • Step

Scan Source	T2W-MRI Diagnostic	DW-MRI Diagnostic	Overall Lesion-based:	PCa+ Lesion-based:	csPCa+ Lesion-based:	≥GG3 Lesion-based:	
	(Class 2) proportion (%)	(Class 2) proportion (%)	Sensitivity	Sensitivity	Sensitivity	Sensitivity	
External MRI	41% (82/201)	36% (72/201)	40% (149/375)	53% (72/137)	61% (54/89)	70% (23/33)	

In-house MRI **External MRI** High b-value DWI ADC map High b-value DWI ADC map T2W-MRI Al probability map Al detection map Al probability map Al detection map

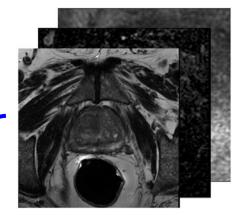
Sensitivity (csPCa+ Lesion Detection)

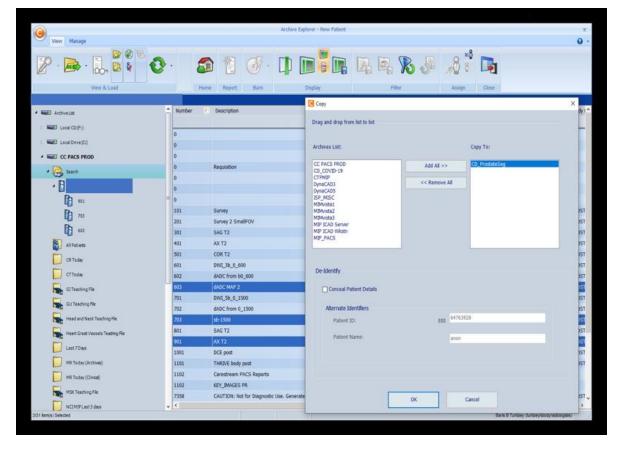
Workflow

 DICOM images pushed from PACS under Application Entity Titles specifically associated to each inference pipeline

 Patient selection and pipeline execution are controlled by the PACS user (radiologist)

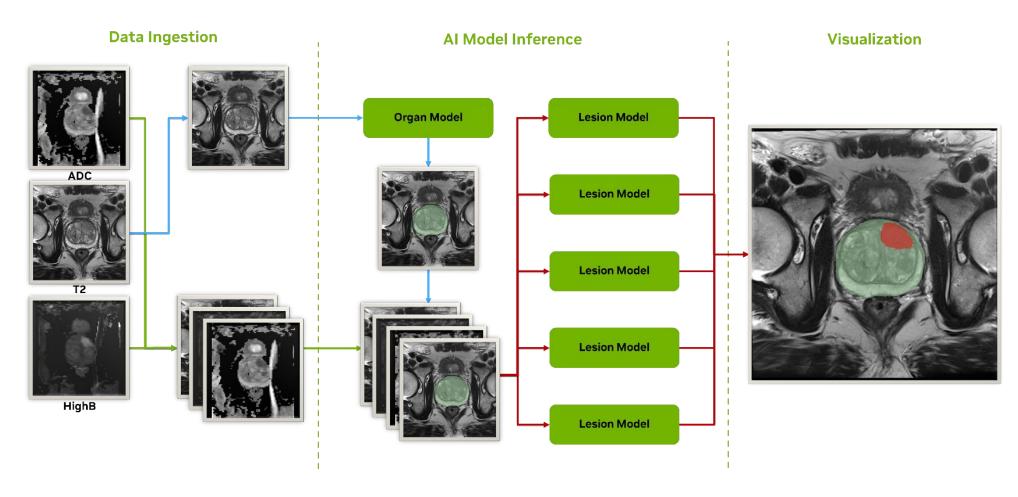






Al Pipeline

MONAI Deploy Express



PACS Display

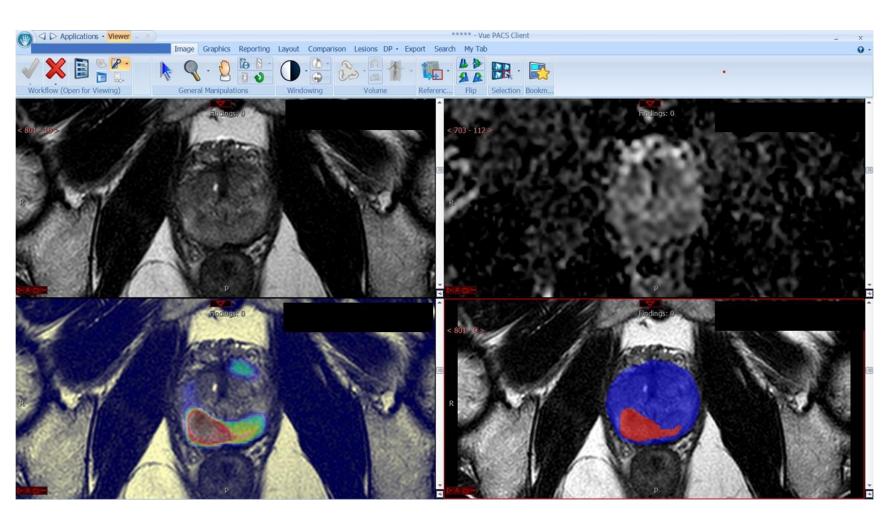


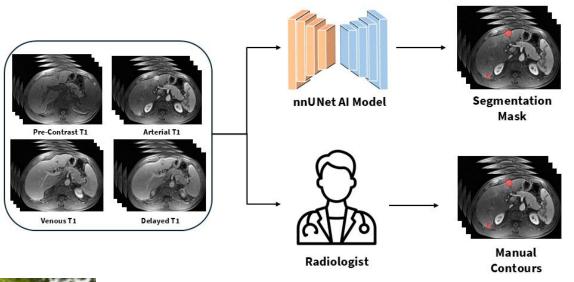
Table 3 Phase 2—CDRs by lesion categorization

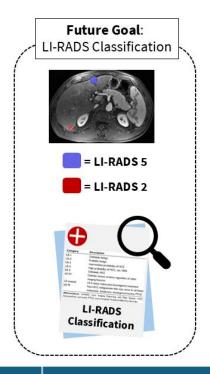
Summary	AI+/Rad+	AI+/	AI-/Rad+	
	(n=28)	Rad- $(n=23)$	(n=21)	
# Lesions	28	23	21	
Biopsy result				
Benign	5	12	14	
3+3	11	7	3	
3+4	9	2	4	
4+3	1	1	0	
4+4	1	0	0	
4+5	1	1	0	
PCa CDR	82.1% (23/28)	47.8% (11/23)	33.3% (7/21)	
esPCa CDR	42.9% (12/28)	17.4% (4/23)	19.0% (4/21)	

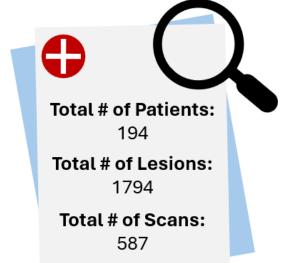


NCI Prostate MRI AI model

Liver Lesion Segmentation Model in Cirrhosis Patients









Emma Stevenson, BS

	All LIRADS Scores	LIRADS Scores 3 and above	LIRADS 4,5, and TR
Number of Scans	117	81	56
Sensitivity	63.4	71.9	78.1
Specificity	91.7	91.7	91.7
PPV	96.7	95.3	92.6
NPV	39.3	57.9	75.9
Accuracy	69.23	77.78	83.9

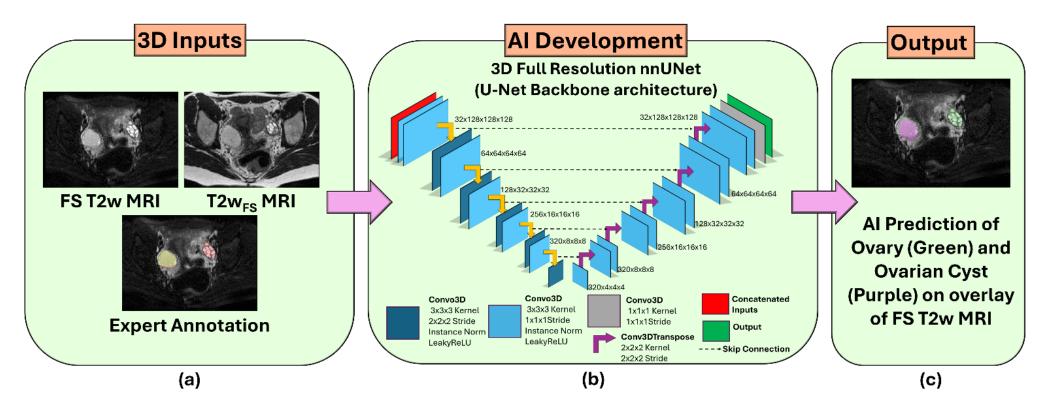


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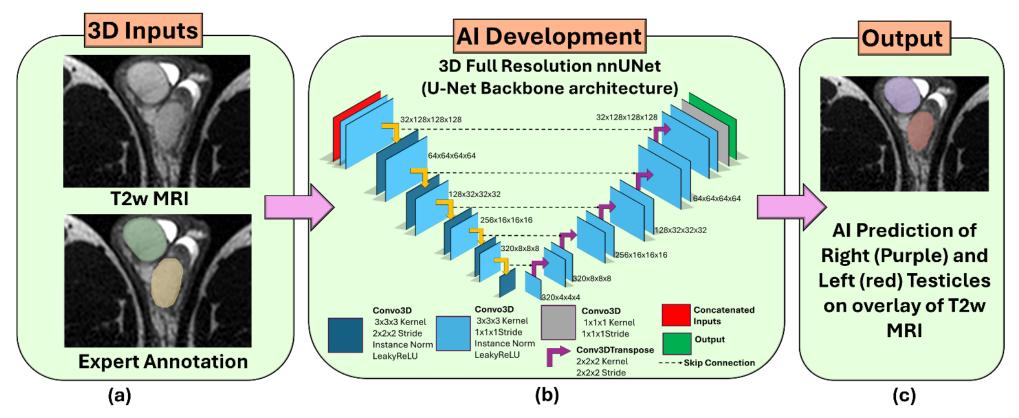


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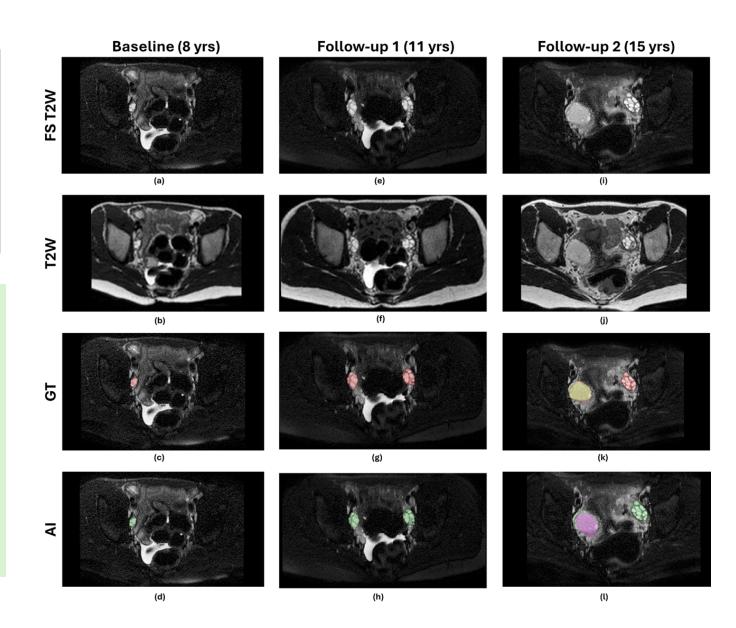


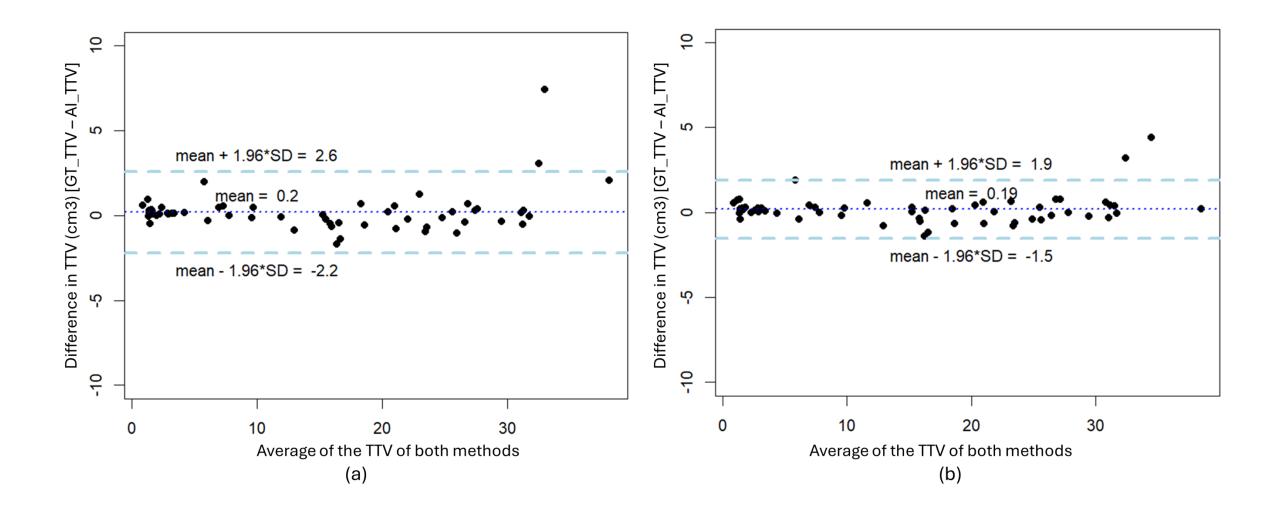
Dataset Description Scans with Scans with Data splits | Patients Cysts ovary annotation (>3cm) 123 Train 14 4 15 Validation 3 4 Test 5 32 6

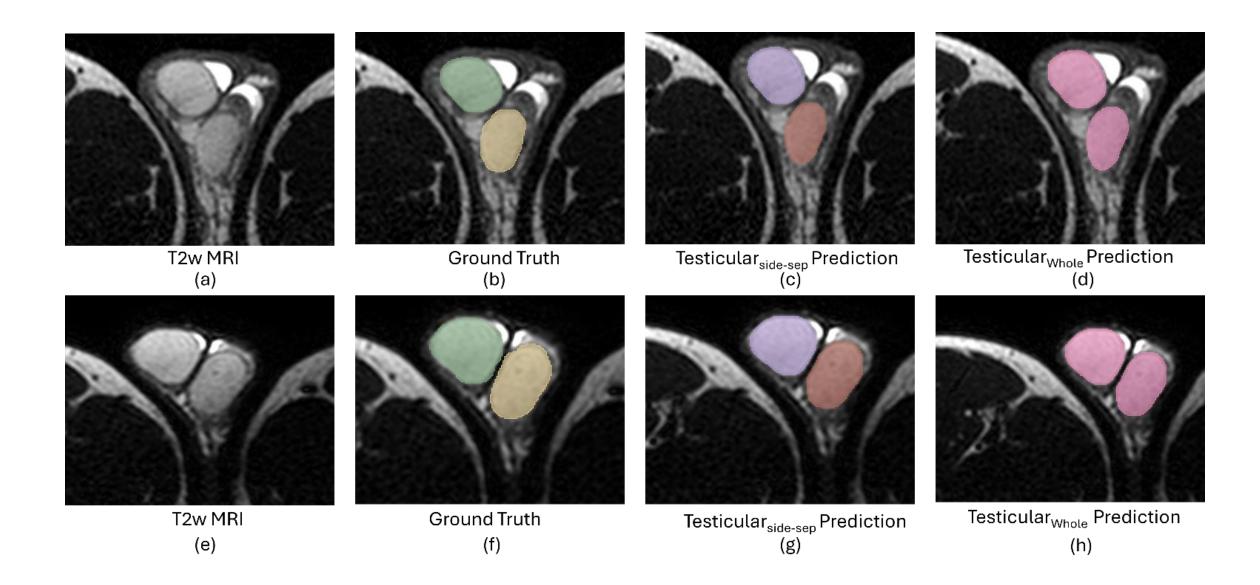
3d U-Net model from the nnUNet framework

Al Performance Evaluation

Organ/Cyst Level	Modality: T2 only		Modality: FS only		Modality: T2+FS		
Levet	Ovary	Cyst	Ovary	Cyst	Ovary	Cyst	
TP	72	7	72	7	72	7	
FN	0	0	0	0	0	0	
FP	0	0	0	1	0	2	
Sensitivity	100	100	100	100	100	100	
PPV	100	100	100	87.5	100	77.78	
Dice	0.75	0.85	0.85	0.78	0.86	0.69	

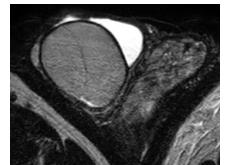


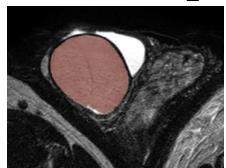


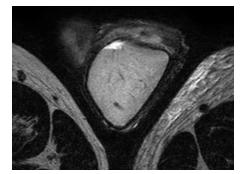


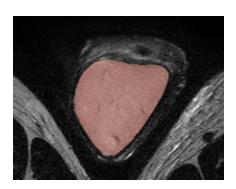
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Steps for AI development



Artificial Intelligence Resource (AIR)

Data/Projects:

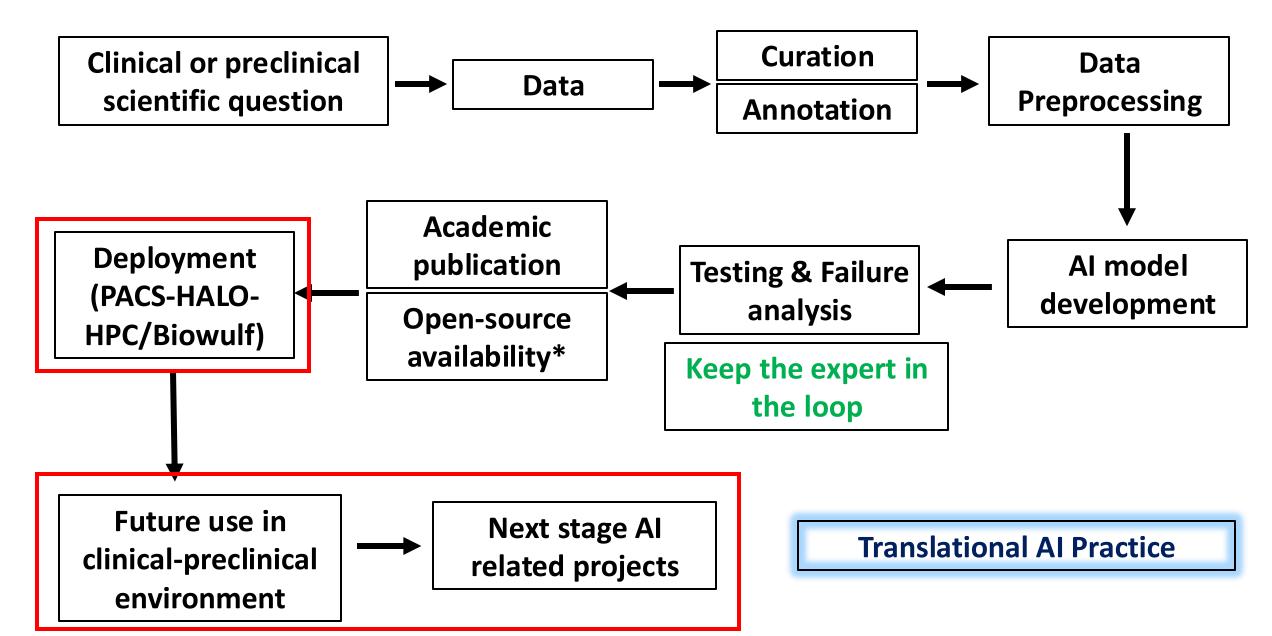
- Clinical and preclinical
- Radiology (MRI, CT, x-ray, PET/CT, ultrasonography), digital pathology, endoscopy, EHR
- Deployment (PACS-HALO-HPC/Biowulf)
- Future use in clinical-preclinical environment
- Training to fellows and researchers in NCI,
 NIH



Diagnostic Assistance

Productivity







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