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# Pathology for gastrointestinal and hepatobiliary cancers using artificial intelligence

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**Abstract**---From visual data, artificial intelligence (AI) can extract complicated information. Histopathology pictures of gastrointestinal (GI) and liver cancer provide a large quantity of data that human observers can only decipher in part. AI permits the in-depth study of digitized histological slides of GI and liver cancer, complementing human observers, and has a wide variety of clinically useful applications. First, AI can recognize tumor tissue automatically, alleviating pathologists' ever-increasing labor. Furthermore, AI can capture prognostically significant tissue characteristics and so predict clinical prognosis across GI and liver cancer types, perhaps surpassing pathologists' capabilities.

**Keywords**---Segmentation, Classification, Gastrointestinal Diagnostics, Artificial intelligence, Machine learning, Gastrointestinal endoscopy.

**Introduction**

Artificial histopathology is the cornerstone of gastrointestinal and liver cancer diagnosis. Pathology is a branch of medicine that studies organs and tissues., cells, and bodily fluids morphologically to diagnose and study illness. 1 Cell or

tissue slices are typically placed For this investigation, the samples were inspected under a microscope after being put on glass slides. Pathology is still an important part of oncology since it provides for exact diagnosis and evaluation of many important prognostic factors.. Histopathology is the gold standard for cancer detection and treatment, in many cases, only correct procedure only a procedure that is correct. Endoscopy allows for easy access to precancerous lesions and invasive tumors in the GI tract, which areas commonly biopsied or removed for histological examination. workup. Histopathological Tissue samples are processed and assessed on a regular basis to offer exact Finally, tissue for genetic study and histological subtyping of the lesion (oncogenic driver mutations or microsatellite instability) (conventional adenocarcinoma versus signet ring cell cancer, for exam). first.

### **Computational and Digital Pathology**

Pathology is experiencing a huge revolution because to the recent introduction scanning with high throughput technologies that is digitally capable record a full traditional glass slide. 2 3 This digitalization simplifies things. Telepathology is particularly beneficial for expert discussions on difficult cases since digital photograph data (WSI, whole-slide images) can be shared with distant laboratories or places. 4 The reality that WSI exists. exists Medical students, trainees, and pathologists can use repositories as a resource for ongoing education. 4/5 This digital revolution will certainly enhance a wide range of morphological and biomarker investigations, in addition to remote diagnosis and teaching. There's mounting evidence that computer analysis of histological images, which are made up of matrices of numbers, can disclose clinical, biological, and genetic information that pathologists can't see. While automating routine histology procedures recent study demonstrates that histopathology slides include substantially more information than can be found on histopathology slides, which might save time and lessen the strain of recurring chores. be effectively categorised. Pathologists for humans have detected it. 6–8 Computer-based image analysis may be used to extract predictive and prognostic biomarkers from digitised pathology slides. These methods are commonly referred as "computational pathology" and are directly relevant to the field of clinical research. 2 The medical sector is projected to be revolutionised and transformed by this relatively young area, which is characterised as a "branch of pathology that incorporates computer analysis.". enhance cancer diagnosis and staging. 2 Artificial intelligence advances are propelling computational pathology forward (AI). 8 AI is a branch of computer science that deals with artificial intelligence. ways for automating tasks that would ordinarily need human intellect, Voice recognition, decision-making, and visual perception are just a few examples. When applied to digital histopathology images, our algorithms Both tissue categorization and clinical endpoint prediction beat earlier approaches. 9 Tumors of the gastrointestinal tract and liver have pushed the field of computational oncology ahead. more than any other cancer type. 6–10 minutes From a clinical standpoint, the current publication will examine the fundamentals of using AI algorithms for digital pathology. The key successes in the GI and hepatobiliary fields malignancies, as well as future avenues to explore and present hurdles for using AI models in clinical practice, are all highlighted..

## Digital Pathology Principles and AI Digital WSI

The amount of information stored on histology glass slides is immense. Although pictures acquired manually with a microscope/camera from a regular glass slide were used in certain computational pathology research, WSI are currently the standard since they are considerably easier to make and give a better evaluation of possible intratumor heterogeneity. A surgical sample (15 mm x 15 mm) scanned at 40 magnification has a resolution of around 0.25  $\mu$ m per pixel, and each slide is often kept at lesser resolutions to allow for a faster loading operation.. As a result, files may contain viruses, be as large as 4–5 gigabytes, and because of their size, they can't normally be handled as is, necessitating preprocessing measures. 'Tessellation,' or breaking a huge The most common method of creating The purpose of WSI is to divide the image into smaller image patches. ('tiles'). Although random, non-gridded tile extraction from WSI has been used in certain research, These tiles are frequently non-overlapping and laid out in a consistent grid. tiles are often a few hundred pixels in size (224x224, 256x256, or 512x512) As a result, they are susceptible to computer analysis. To comprehend how pictures may be analysed using mathematical procedures, it's important to know that they're made up of matrices of numbers. Each pixel in a grey image is represented by a single Each matrix element has its own x, y, and value coordinates (an integer corresponding to the grayscale intensity). A three-dimensional RGB matrix, with each of three layers consisting of a two-dimensional matrix of red, green, or blue pixel values, makes up a coloured histology picture. The mathematical processing of these various spatial and intensity pixel data is used in computational image analysis.

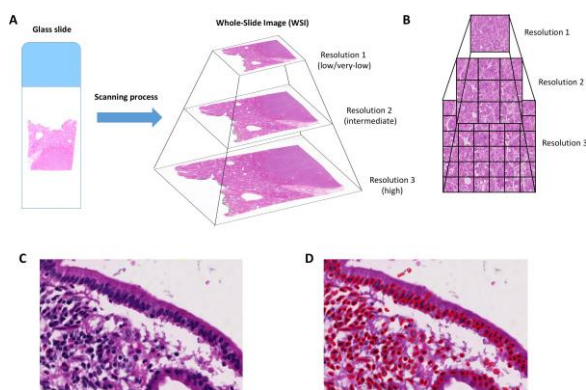


Figure 1. Hand-crafted techniques to image analysis and the structure of digital slides

### Hand Crafted Techniques Automated For Image Analysis

In the last two decades, automated methods and software for analysing Traditional H&E and immunohistochemical (IHC) stainings have come a long way. It's simple to spot nuclei or cells that have been positively labelled. In a systematic manner on a WSI, for example (figure 1). Traditional handcrafted methods are based on a number of non-medical and medical processes that were

developed during the latter part of the twentieth century. Traditional engineering processes are used in all of these technologies, such as creating a detailed digital analytic technique and applying it to relevant picture data. This form of analysis consists of a set of fundamental computational processes that, when used together, and their pixels have higher intensity values than the cytoplasm or extracellular matrix, allowing them to be identified (figure 1). The form and texture of numerous picture pixels are taken into consideration in more advanced algorithms. 10 These custom image analysis methods are created for a specific aim that necessitates an a priori categorization characteristics of interest to be retrieved. There are a number of software that is free and open source can extract a wide range of picture attributes (for example, Fiji or CellProfiler) are now available for purchase (containing Data on cell and nucleus form, density, intensity, and texture). For instance, Luo et al., created a completely automated workflow utilising Cell Profiler that can obtain a set of picture attributes In lung cancer patients, it's linked to a bad prognosis. 18 To predict prognosis in breast cancer, Yuan et al. used a custom-built pipeline of hand-crafted image processing. methods was developed. using histopathology pictures. 19 The fundamental disadvantage of these approaches is that they are very reliant on picture quality, and as a result, they seldom generalise well to validation datasets. The analyst also defines the elements important traits may be overlooked if they are not extracted and included in the study. A set of modern technologies known as AI has been found to greatly outperform hand-crafted image analysis pipelines. Rather of hand-crafted processing pipelines, AI approaches are now used in almost all digital pathology studies. due to increased generalisability, higher performance, and simpler usage.

### **AI In Image Analysis**

The application of AI technology has revolutionised the area of computer-based picture analysis during the 2010s. 8 Within the Deep learning (DL) refers to a subset of machine-learning algorithms that are particularly successful for bioimage analysis in a large family of AI-based technologies. It is based on the usage of convolutional neural networks (CNNs), which are made up of millions of artificial "neurons" stacked in many layers and capable of translating input (image pixel values matrices) into a more abstract form (figure 2). These networks are based on the human visual system, which is made up of layers of basic neurons capable of recognising complex visual patterns. A series of photos labelled with a certain label (such as "tumour" or "non-tumorous") is sent into the various stages of mathematical processing (figure 2). CNN will 'learn' as time goes on. how to distinguish the images based on their content associated labels. Because the CNNs are only provided a dataset of labelled pictures, this method is known as 'end-to-end' learning. They instantly recognise the most distinctive and important characteristics of each object class. CNNs outperform handcrafted or traditional machine-learning approaches in most image analysis tasks (such as Random Forests or Support Vector Machines). With models capable of predicting a wide variety of properties in difficult picture data, CNNs have considerably enlarged the spectrum of challenges that image computational processing can handle. practically every field of study. 20–22 These characteristics in histopathology include the tissue's nature, the patient's clinical result, and/or the tumor's underlying genetic changes.

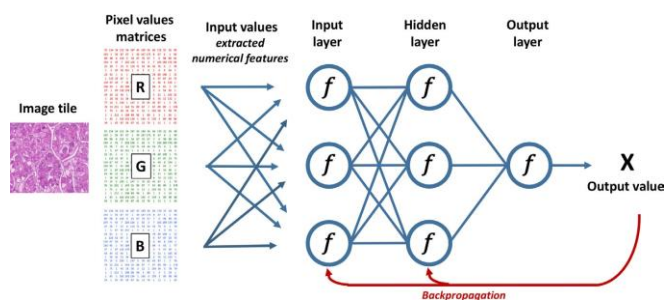


Figure 2. Image analysis with convolutional neural networks are depicted schematically

## Applications of AI In Gastrointestinal And Liver Cancers

### *AI-based pathology for diagnosis*

Pathology's primary function is to diagnose illnesses. This is based on a subjective microscopic study of the tissues by morphologists, that can be strengthened with extra in-place methods like IHC. The initial attempts to utilise artificial intelligence (AI) on histology pictures were to identify the kind Involving tissue or cells, or to aid in the diagnosis more automated. In a world where pathologists are in short supply, expectations are high for AI to help with jobs that are repetitive and time-consuming, such as evaluating lymph nodes for micrometastases. or the preparation of cytological smears. 23–31 The oldest and most commercially effective AI algorithms were designed for cytological specimens, according to history. 32 Indeed, examining Papanicolaou smears for the purpose of systematic cervical cancer screening is a time-consuming process, and numerous analysis techniques have shown to be useful. 32 Despite the fact that histological slides have increasingly complex and variable structures, the development AI-assisted histology models remain a work in progress. viable and fascinating topic with a growing number of articles and significant funding. implications. 33 Several instances of AI- There have been reports of aided diagnosis for GI tumours., despite the fact that most research have concentrated on adenocarcinomas of the lung, breast, or prostate (table 1). 23–34, 37 Korbar and colleagues. utilised a dataset of over 400 WSIs to build a classifier that could distinguish five different kinds of colorectal polyps with A 93 percent total accuracy rate. Wei et al. has demonstrated that neural networks can be taught. to diagnose colorectal polyps on WSIs from WSIs can also classify colorectal polyps on WS a single institution generalise well to WSIs from different institutions, with performance equivalent to that of local pathologists. 39 Models may be able to overcome biases associated with different staining procedures, according to this study. Other attempts to automate the detection of preneoplastic/neoplastic lesions, such as Barrett's oesophagus or gastric adenomas/adenocarcinomas, have been made (table 1). 34 and 40)

## AI – Based Pathology for Prognostiction

Cancer pathological traits such as tumour differentiation, The relationship between vascular invasion and cytological atypia is well-known. significant influence on the prognosis of patients. 41 It's no wonder, then, that DL models have been constructed to enhance clinical outcome prediction using just histopathological pictures. +1 611 42 DL models will discover classical and innovative histopatho- logical patterns linked with result and combine them into a complete prediction after being trained on a there are enough histopathological slides from individuals with a known outcome. In the last three years, a rising number of studies have established the viability of this idea across all major GI and hepatobiliary tract cancer types (table 1). 42–44 6 11 Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) is a kind of cancer that affects the liver.), AI-based models were more accurate than a composite score that comprised all relevant clinical, biological, and pathological characteristics in predicting survival following resection. 6 The models were notably validated in a range of external instances utilising various staining and scanning approaches, indicating that they might be applied in a variety of contexts 6 Pathological evaluation provided insight into the histological properties that have a significant impact on the output score, and one of the models was developed as a result. permitted retrieval of the most predictive tissue sections. 6 45 Similarly, biliary cancer is a kind of cancer that affects the biliary system was able to discover tissue characteristics that were indicative with clinical outcome. 46 DL has been found using digitised histology slides and tissue, should be beneficial in predicting prognosis microarrays in colorectal cancer patients at all stages. 11 47 Following investigations have pushed this method even further, establishing the strong predictive DL's performance -derived colorectal cancer scores in a prospective study planned multicenter study. 42 The histomorphology of gastric cancer is more difficult and varied than that of colorectal cancer. As a result, only a few research have used DL to examine histopathological pictures of stomach cancer...and the majority of these investigations have centred on tumour detection rather than prognostication. 34 The creation of DL models for prognosis that incorporate several types of data (clinical, biochemical, and genetic) is also a potential strategy. Mobadersany and colleagues created CNNs that combine data from histology pictures and genetic indicators into a unified framework that may predict clinical outcomes. They demonstrated that the CNNs surpassed the baseline WHO of tumour subtype-grade categorization in a cohort of patients with glioblastoma. 48 In the case Chaudhary et al used RNA sequencing and miRNA sequencing to create a DL model for HCC, and methylation data. for patient survival prediction. 49 CNN-based prognostication techniques have sparked a lot of excitement in the scientific community, but they should be examined with the same rigorous criteria as any other biomarker. 50 51 The prospective definition of the An essential part of such quality criteria is the outcome measure for diagnostic or prognostic biomarker research. Sensitivity and specificity, or, as it is more often known, the area under the curve receiver operating curve, are common metrics of diagnostic performance (AUROC). Other measurements, such as integrated discrimination, are also available There have been suggestions for improvement or net reclassification improvement. 52 The HR in a Kaplan-Meier or Cox proportional hazard model test survival model are both common indicators of prognostic performance.

## Digital Pathology Principles and AI Digital WSI

Surgical and biopsy specimens from various parts of the gastrointestinal tract conditions malignancies are regularly examined to find molecular biomarkers that predict response to targeted therapy. It has previously been shown a subset of important genomic events in the gastrointestinal tract and hepatobiliary malignancies are linked to certain morphological characteristics found on H&E sections, leading to numerous Attempts to apply AI-based algorithms to WSIs have been effective. surrogate indicators of these changes (table 1). 44 53–56 Because there are so many pathology samples for colorectal cancer (CRC), This cancer has been utilised as a model illness in several investigations. 12 57–59 The detection of CRC with so-called microsatellite instability (MSI) is crucial among the several genetic abnormalities tested, as MSI tumours are extremely responsive to immunomodulating therapy. 60–62 The discovery of this phenotype has significant ramifications for the patient and his or her family, since it necessitates further testing to identify Lynch syndrome. 63 MSI is commonly detected through molecular biology or immunohistochemistry (IHC), although not all patients are.

Table I  
Gastrointestinal and liver cancers pathology studies based on artificial intelligence

Tumour type	Type of AI method	Explanation
Colorectal cancer	ShuffleNet Deep learning.	The model enables low-cost examination of colorectal tissue without the use of immunohistochemistry or techniques in molecular biology.
Hepatocellular carcinoma	Attention mechanism in neural networks.	By integrating an attention mechanism, The study demonstrates the significance of expert-driven methods.
Liver cancer	Densely connected neural networks.	If the model's forecast is correct, inaccurate, the study underlines the possible detrimental influence on diagnostic choice..
Colorectal cancer	Domain-adversarial learning neural networks	Biopsy samples, which contain substantially less tissue, were used to test the concept.
Colorectal, pancreatic and gastric cancer	Neural networks.	In laboratory processes, this sort of method might be used as a triage tool.
Colorectal, gastric, oesophagal and liver cancers	Neural networks.	Whole genome duplications showed the greatest genomic correlations.
Colorectal cancer	Multiple instance learning neural networks	The model might help in adjuvant therapy choices after surgery.

Oesophageal cancer and Barret oesophagus	Attention-based deep learning	Annotations of regions of interest were not required for model training.
Colorectal and gastric cancer	Deep residual learning.	This method might result in significant improvements in molecular changes screening procedures.
Cholangiocarcinoma	Clustering model based on deep convolutional autoencoders	This novel method uses a deep convolutional autoencoder-based clustering model to group cellular and structural morphologies together. evaluates
Colorectal cancer	A grid-based attention network incorporating a convolutional neural network.	The suggested approach may be used to evaluate many cell types found in a colorectal cancer slide.
Colorectal cancer	Deep understanding (comparison of 5 networks).	The researchers demonstrate that convolutional neural networks can extrapolate prognostic factors from the tumour microenvironment
Colorectal cancer is a kind of cancer that affects the colon.	Recurrent neural networks.	The algorithm outperforms human specialists' visual histology assessments.
Pancreatic neuroendocrine tumours	Neural networks.	By identifying the tumour sites to check for Ki67 index evaluation, the model may minimise pathologists' effort.
Rectal cancer	Networks of neurons.	The deep-learning model outperforms a pathologist's ocular assessment.
Colorectal cancer	Neural networks.	The model is based on a study of the glands' shape.
Colorectal polyps	A leftover network architecture that has been modified.	This sort of repetitious activity may minimise pathologists' burden, but it must be confirmed prospectively.

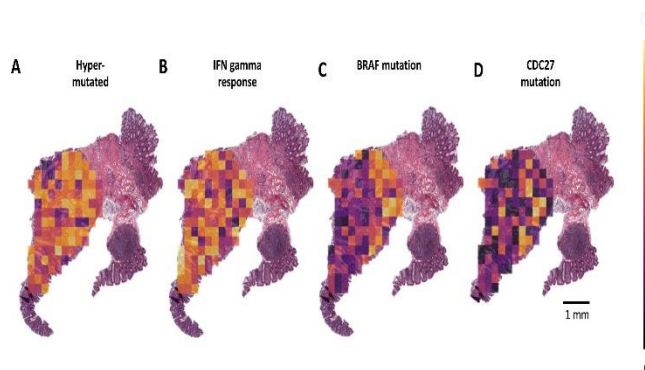


Figure 3. Colorectal cancer prediction maps based on deep learning.

Except in specialised cancer centres, people are checked for MSI. In this connection, Echle et al. recently looked at 8836 CRC patients at various stages of the disease. In order to construct a model that can detect MSI tumours. 57 In the worldwide validation cohort, their DL algorithm achieved With an AUROC of 0.96, this is a clinical-grade performance. 57 In two validation datasets (AUC=0.84 and 0.85), The consensus molecular subtype (CMS) of the tumours was identified using a neural network trained on 666 WSIs from colon and rectal CRC surgical resections. 59 Importantly, performance did not degrade in biopsy samples with a little amount of tissue and may be exposed to various preparation processes. CMS prediction from histology yielded similar findings. have been reported by other groups, confirming the value of DL in this context. 53 58 Other attempts have been made to construct models capable of precisely predicting gene alterations from HCC, gastric cancer, and other malignancies have WSI (figure 3). 64 65 Pilot investigations have also shown that AI-based pathology may predict gene expression and RNA sequencing data, indicating that these approaches have a lot of clinical promise (figure 3). 44 66 Patients with advanced HCC were administered the immunomodulator nivolumab, according to Sangro et al. had a better prognosis. had immune gene expression profiles that were linked to survival. 67 Investigation of these markers, on the other hand, necessitates The prediction of Molecular biology and nucleic acid extraction investigations, as well as their application in clinical practise, might be considerably facilitated by tumour WSI processing that is simple and rapid Because these characteristics are connected to intra-tumour immune infiltration, these jobs appear to be particularly straightforward to execute. a that CNNs are normally good at detecting. 68–71 This sort of method, if given further and prospective confirmation, might have a significant influence on laboratory operations by lowering molecular testing burden and allowing In healthcare settings with limited resources, testing is necessary. A very sensitive assay may, for example, be used to screen people for a specific cancer type and prompt further, "gold-standard" molecular testing in cases where the results are positive.

### **Ai-Based Pathology Challenges and Future Directions**

Infrastructures for laboratories, analytics standards, and algorithm development Although DL is predicted to play a big role in pathology in the near future, it confronts a number of obstacles (box 1). The initial is that there are few laboratories with a workflow capable of creating digital slides in a timely manner. timely manner that is consistent with patient care. Because digitisation necessitates significant expenditures in scanning machines, software, and, above important, file storage, the vast majority of pathology departments still utilise glass slides for diagnosis. Digital slide diagnosis does not considerably reduce slide examination time, and most institutions are unlikely to adopt it. will only if such infrastructures improve patient care or provide financial benefits, they should be invested in. The conversion The transfer of a piece of tissue to a glass slide and then to a WSI is a complex and sequential procedure, with each stage, such as fixation period, tissue slice thickness, staining, and so on, requiring careful consideration and scanning procedures, has an impact on the quality of the final digital image. Preanalytical (fixation time, fixative type, fixation time, section cutting) and analytical (fixation time, fixative type, fixation time, section

cutting) processes are standardised (methods for staining and scanning, picture mathematical processing). the WSI) PIC

As a result, a major challenge for the adoption of AI-based models in a clinical environment is the pre- and post-analytical stages (Results analysis, interpretation, and reporting). Published models, while their outstanding performance, do not represent the 'real-life' diagnosis of disease Coudray et al., for example, published a revolutionary paper in which they built an algorithm capable of detecting lung cancer on the WSI. classifying its histological subtypes (epidermoid or adenocarcinoma). 37 We don't know how the model, which was trained on preselected patients Having a known carcinoma diagnosis will react if faced with a different diagnosis, such as lymphoma or extrapulmonary primitive cancer metastases. The interpretation of intermediate/borderline lesions, artefacts, or alterations owing to inadequate specimen fixation is commonly included in the microscopic study of a histological slide. Algorithms capable of properly distinguishing a larger range of illnesses and imaging patterns are consequently required for AI to be used in a therapeutic environment. To construct such models, Because huge datasets including thousands of WSIs are necessary, It is important to encourage the open sharing of annotated examples.

### **Comparison Ai-Derived Models With State of the Art Classical**

Although it goes without saying that AI models are beneficial, elicit a lot of excitement in the medical field, their effectiveness is questionable.

- The use of AI algorithms in everyday practise necessitates scanning devices and storage capacity for whole-slide creation and transmission pictures quickly (WSI).
- Models should be taught to mimic real-world diagnosis and display their knowledge. capacity to do non-binary, difficult tasks.
- To promote generalisation and reduce overfitting, WSIs stained from multiple centres should be included in training sets. using various methods and scanned with various scanners. devices

must be thoroughly evaluated and compared to traditional parameters and cutting-edge models now in use in everyday practise. This is especially true for investigations aimed at predicting clinical outcomes. Authors should see if their AI models outperform common parameters such as vascular invasion, stage of illness, tumour differentiation, and surgical resection quality. Numerous models for tumour grading have been developed, and it will be necessary to compare this computational grading to disease outcome. REporting tumour MARKer prognostic research recommendations (REMARK) guidelines 72, as well as equivalent ones specially adapted to AI systems73, should be closely followed.

### **Reliability and Robustness of DL-Based Models**

#### *Laboratory*

Overfitting is a serious concern with DL-based techniques. 74 75 When a classifier has a good performance on the training data but does not generalise well to other datasets, this problem arises. It's possible that the model learns

patterns, noise, or oscillations that are unique to the training data but aren't relevant during validation. Zech and colleagues A model for detecting pneumonia on chest radiographs was created, highlights the issues associated with overfitting. 76 CNNs performed worse, according to the researchers When they were taught with verified data from a single institution independently with data from other institutions, they performed better than when they Data from all institutions was used to train them. 76 Indeed, CNN's performance may be impeded by information related to the institution rather than the sickness (e.g., acquisition procedure or image processing discrepancies). This is especially true if illness frequency varies much between institutions, on which the model's projections are likely to be based, at least in part, on confounding data. (In other words, the department where the imaging was done). This is especially true in the case of pathology. Staining procedures are definitely quite heterogeneous, and even common stains like H&E exhibit significant differences depending on the facility where they are conducted. As a result, it's vital to create datasets that are both large and diverse.

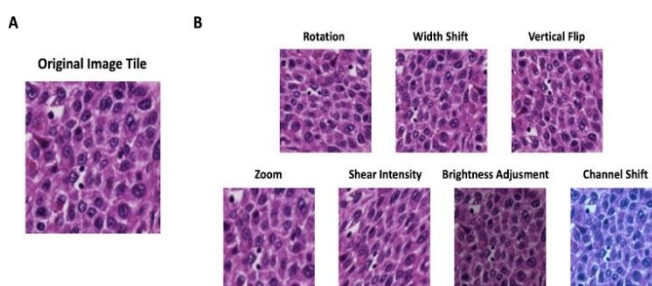


Figure 4. On histology images, data augmentation is used.

To demonstrate this technological variation, large multicentric investigations with cases processed using various procedures and/or scanning equipment are used. There have been Several attempts have been made to make algorithms less reliant on prior data. variants. Several authors have contributed. developed stain colour normalisation techniques to decrease mistakes caused by differences in lab/center settings. 77 and 78 The goal of this stage is to match the colour distribution to reduce stain variation. of the training and validation WSIs.. There are few studies that look at the specific influence of these changes on model performance. Normalised median hue is a new normalisation metric created by Pontalba and associates that quantifies the global colour variation of picture collections. 78 They also examine the impact of common normalisation of colour approaches on CNN-based nucleus segmentation models, revealing that models constructed from unnormalized data may still generalise successfully despite significant colour variability across the numerous series tested. Tellez et al. demonstrated that colour normalisation works in this vein. Different CNN-based tasks, such as detecting mitotic figures and determining the kind of colorectal cancer tissue, were performed. categorization, improved just little. 77 As a result, the value and purpose of colour normalisation must be defined. The 'data augmentation' strategy tries to decrease By reproducing actual variations in the training data, CNN makes generalisation errors (figure 4). 74 77.79.80. These manufactured variations are meant to closely simulate changes in brightness,

contrast, object shape, or colour seen in the validation series (figure 4). Deshpande and his colleagues have developed a method that can generate synthetic tissue pictures from 'real' annotated instances using ground truth. 81 It enables the creation of new fictitious examples to train a model in the event that annotations/data are few. Future research will need to see if these techniques have a major influence on model performance. However, these techniques will not eliminate the necessity for multicentric, external validations. Prior to implementation into everyday practise, clinical benefit must be demonstrated by prospective research. Although neural networks are simple to construct, they are commonly criticised for their inability to be interpreted. 8 & 9 The great majority of published models do indeed operate like black boxes, failing to give insight into their forecasts. Handcrafted methods have a greater level of interpretability. However, when compared to AI-based systems, their low performance renders these methods essentially obsolete for cutting-edge applications. 8 The interpretability of models, on the other hand, is a hot topic of research, and several DL models now allow users to evaluate the picture tiles that have the most influence on the decision-making process. 6 & 7 This type of research might lead to new scientific breakthroughs. identifying previously ignored or missed histological traits.

### **AI: Replacing or Assisting The Pathologist**

Particular may feel that AI models that are automated will outperform humans physicians based on the stated success of some algorithms. 83 82 However, rather than entirely replacing people, AI systems will most likely be used to improve the overall pathology diagnostic quality and provide additional essential information data. 85 84 Indeed, achieving the diagnostic performance standards necessary for clinical treatment will be difficult for AI models, as even extremely low mistake rates would not be tolerated. Algorithms addressing the whole spectrum of 'real-life' scenarios (for example, artefacts, unexpected diagnoses, or morphological alterations) considered as well. be required, as previously suggested.. In this vein, Kiani et al demonstrated that the combination of a pathologist and the In a research intended at constructing a Pathologists will benefit from a DL-based approach. discriminate HCC from cholangiocarcinoma, the model outperformed both the model and the pathologist alone, and, more crucially, that inaccurate model predictions had a substantial detrimental influence on diagnostic accuracy by misleading the pathologist. 85 Overall, this shows that we should focus on collaboration rather than rivalry (figure 5). 84

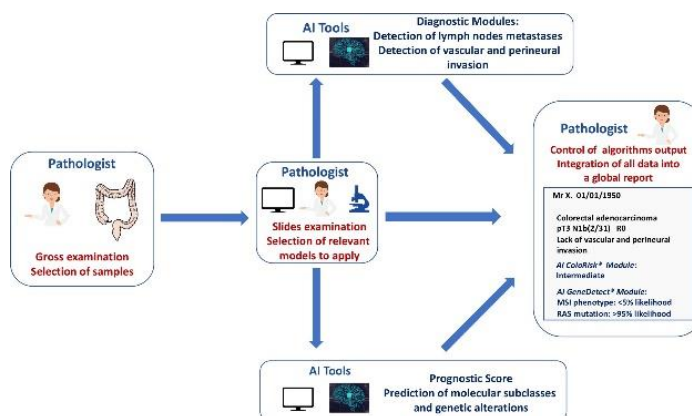


Figure 5. Pathology of the future, or 'augmented' pathology.

The following are some of the most important lessons acquired through the development of computational approaches for cervical Papanicolaou smear analysis: AI can be used to (1) uncover epithelial abnormalities undetected by traditional microscopy, (2) indicate the most worrying regions for examination, or (3) automatically sign out a tiny percentage of instances that the algorithms have deemed to be extremely low risk. Instead of becoming a fully automated pathologist, AI may be utilised to discover epithelial abnormalities that have previously been overlooked by traditional microscopy. As mentioned by others, AI is more likely to provide an enhanced (human) pathologist who will employ a range of algorithms to increase diagnostic accuracy, uncover hidden prognostic information for more accurate cancer staging, and predict tumour molecular subtypes/alterations (figure 5).<sup>86 84</sup>

## Conclusion

AI-based techniques are expected to enhance Biomarker development and GI and liver pathological diagnosis and staging hepatobiliary malignancies. However, there are still certain challenges to solve, such as infrastructure problems and algorithm generalization and dependability. The vast majority of models were created with the goal of automating diagnosis and/or detecting known molecular changes that predict response to specific targeted therapies. One important objective will be to build algorithms directly utilising the reaction as a label to determine if AI can better predict clinically relevant outcomes than known parameters.

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