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Data collection	The descriptions of all codes used for generation of genomic data are provided in the Methods section, subsections "Study Cohort", "Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)", "Analysis of Copy Number Variation"
Data analysis	All data analysis methods for mutational signature, evolutionary trajectories, and image processing are detailed in the Methods section, subsections "Mutational Signature Analysis", "Mutant-Allele Tumor Heterogeneity (MATH) Score; A Measure of Molecular Heterogeneity", "Prediction of Evolutionary Trajectories", "Radiogenomic Signatures"

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Data Availability

The MRI sequences, image acquisition parameters, and clinical variables used in this study can be found in the UPenn-GBM collection in the Cancer Imaging Archive (<https://doi.org/10.7937/TCIA.709X-DN49>) 73. The derived data (radiomic features and mutation status) that support the findings of this study are available on reasonable request from the corresponding author (C. D.). However, the raw data (images and genomic variables) are not distributable, as the patients were not consented for public release of their data. The numerical data used to create the figures in this manuscript are available in the Supplementary Information/Source Data file on Figshare, DOI: 10.6084/m9.figshare.28243670. All oligonucleotide sequences used in this study, including primers and probes are provided on Figshare, DOI: 10.6084/m9.figshare.28243673. Additional details are available upon reasonable request from the corresponding author.

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Reporting on sex and gender

The study included data from both sexes. The detailed demographic information is summarized in Supplemental Information. The default for CNVkit is to calculate log2 ratios and copy number with respect to a diploid chrX and haploid chrY, infer sample sex based on chrX and chrY coverage, and double chrX coverage for male samples. Because this panel targets only one gene on chrX and none on chrY, sex inference was not always accurate. Additionally, the 'genemetrics' and 'call' commands are not typically used in conjunction, and both attempt to determine sex, which can result in unexpected behavior. To address this all samples were treated as female at the 'genemetrics' step while sex was explicitly asserted in the 'call' command.

Population characteristics

All population characteristics are summarized in Supplementary Table 1.

Recruitment

This retrospective HIPAA-compliant study was approved by the IRB of the University of Pennsylvania (IRB protocol 706564). All patients provided their informed consent at the time of imaging. A retrospective cohort of n = 585 patients with GBM tumors who had undergone surgery at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania (HUP) between 2006 to 2019 was reviewed. The patients who had undergone maximal safe or partial resection, were histopathologically confirmed with de novo glioblastoma tumors, received radiotherapy, and concomitant and adjuvant chemotherapy with temozolomide, and at the very least had four conventional MRI scans, including pre- and post-gadolinium T1-weighted (T1, and T1-Gd), T2-weighted (T2), and T2 fluid attenuation inversion recovery (T2-FLAIR), acquired pre-operatively on a 3T MRI scanner (Siemens, Tim Trio, Erlangen, Germany) for a first-occurrence brain tumor were included. A cohort of 374 patients meeting the inclusion criteria was collected. Of these, 244 had additional advanced MRI sequences available, including diffusion tensor imaging (DTI) and dynamic susceptibility contrast (DSC) MRI with preload administration. All measurements described below were conducted on separate samples and patients.

Ethics oversight

The Institutional Review Board of the University of Pennsylvania approved this study.

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size

The sample size was determined based on the maximum number of patients with available molecular sequencing data.

Data exclusions

We excluded patients with mutations in IDH1 or IDH2 (n = 16).

Replication

We randomly split the data into discovery and replication sets, keeping a stratified split. We used an unseen replication set to test the predictive value of our models trained on the discovery set independently on the replication set.

Randomization

The samples were allocated to different groups of mutant vs wildtype based on their mutation status. For splitting the data into Discovery and Replication sets, we used a random splitting approach.

Blinding

There was no need to blind information as there were no qualitative assessments in this study.

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n/a	Involvement in the study
☒	☐ Antibodies
☒	☐ Eukaryotic cell lines
☒	☐ Palaeontology and archaeology
☒	☐ Animals and other organisms
☐	☒ Clinical data
☒	☐ Dual use research of concern

Methods

n/a	Involvement in the study
☒	☐ ChIP-seq
☒	☐ Flow cytometry
☐	☒ MRI-based neuroimaging

Clinical data

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Clinical trial registration	This wasn't a clinical trial study;
Study protocol	Not Applicable
Data collection	Retrospective as described before
Outcomes	The outcomes in this study were mutant/non-mutant tumors

Magnetic resonance imaging

Experimental design

Design type	Structural MRI
Design specifications	Not a functional MRI study
Behavioral performance measures	Not applicable

Acquisition

Imaging type(s)	structural, diffusion, perfusion
Field strength	3 Tesla
Sequence & imaging parameters	image acquisition parameters can be accessed at https://www.cancerimagingarchive.net/collection/upenn-gbm/
Area of acquisition	brain
Diffusion MRI	☒ Used ☐ Not used
Parameters	b-values of 0, 1000

Preprocessing

Preprocessing software	Pre-processing of multi-parametric MRI (mpMRI) scans was performed using the CaPTk software 31,32 (https://www.med.upenn.edu/cbica/captk/)
Normalization	co-registration and resampling to an isotropic resolution of 1mm3 based on a common anatomical SRI24 atlas 33, performed using the "Greedy" software 34; the image intensities were rescaled in the intensity range of 0-255 after removing outliers.
Normalization template	SRI24
Noise and artifact removal	Image intensity outliers outside the range of 99th percentile were removed
Volume censoring	not applicable

Statistical modeling & inference

Model type and settings	Described in the Methods Section Statistics and Reproducibility
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In all DL and ML classification scenarios, the data was randomly split using a stratified approach to ensure the proportion of mutated to wildtype tumors was preserved in both the discovery and replication cohorts. The split assigned 75% of the data to the discovery cohort and 25% to an independent (unseen) replication cohort. For the DL and ML models utilizing conventional MRI, the discovery and replication cohorts included 268 and 89 patients, respectively. For the ML model incorporating both conventional and advanced MRI, the discovery and replication cohorts consisted of 171 and 57 patients, respectively. The performance of our predictive ML and DL models in stratifying mutation status was evaluated using the area under the receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve (AUC) and balanced accuracy metrics. Pairwise correlation of the extracted radiomic features was assessed using Pearson's correlation coefficient. To analyze the separability of DL and ML signatures, we compared tumors with single alterations (i.e., exclusive tumors) to those with co-occurring multiple alterations using Cohen's D effect size. Additionally, cosine similarity metrics were calculated to compare molecular signatures across tumor groups stratified by spatiogenomic tumor location, thereby quantifying and validating distinct mutational profiles among these groups. Differences in MATH scores across brain regions were analyzed using the Wilcoxon rank-sum test.

Effect(s) tested

Cohen D's effect size

Specify type of analysis: ☐ Whole brain ☐ ROI-based ☒ Both

Anatomical location(s) brain tumors, and different labels of brain regions: frontal, temporal, occipital,

Statistic type for inference
(See [Eklund et al. 2016](#))

N/A

Correction

N/A

Models & analysis

- n/a | Involved in the study
- ☒ ☐ Functional and/or effective connectivity
- ☒ ☐ Graph analysis
- ☐ ☒ Multivariate modeling or predictive analysis

Multivariate modeling and predictive analysis

Deep Learning-Based Radiogenomic Signatures

In the discovery cohort, the remaining radiomic features were ranked using recursive feature elimination with random forests and the optimal number of features was determined through nested cross-validation (10 folds for the outer and 5 folds for the inner folds). The selected feature subset was imported into the CNN classifier, as described below, for prediction of mutation status in the key driver genes, i.e., EGFR, NF1, PTEN, and TP53, and pathways, i.e., RTK and PI3K.

In the discovery cohort, we trained a CNN classifier based on a modified 34-layer ResNet architecture 40, with an initial 7×7 convolution and four layers (layers 1 to 4, composed of 3, 4, 6, and 3 residual blocks respectively; each residual block comprises two 3×3 convolution) 41. Slices of two structural images, i.e., T1-Gd and T2, along with slices of tumor segmentations (overall three image volumes) were passed as inputs for training the ResNet model. Specifically, the structural images and segmentation masks were cropped with margins of 8 pixels from the boundaries of brain tissue and resampled to 128×128×128 voxels. Intensity normalization of the brain tissue was performed using z-scoring for all structural MRI scans. Five axial slices were identified from the tumor segmentations, where the axial slice in the center included the maximum tumor mask area; 2 upper and 2 lower slices were also identified along with the center slice. After concatenating all three volumes together, the five slices were finally extracted from this concatenated volume. The discovery cohort was split into 70%-30% training-validation sets. The ResNet model was pretrained with input size of 5×3×128×128×128 for each subject in the training set (Supplementary Note 2, Supplementary Figure 1). After pretraining the ResNet, the weights from the initial 7×7 convolution to layer 3 were fed to the CNN classifier and were not used in any further training process. The radiomic features (including spatial location features) were imported as inputs to the fully connected layers that followed layer 4, and along with the weights from layer 4 were used to train the CNN classifier. Input images were further augmented using rotation. Optimization was performed using Adam optimizer (initial learning rate (x0) = 0.0001), with L2 penalty of 0.01, the cross-entropy cost function, and an exponential learning rate decay (xepoch = x0*0.99epoch). For both pretraining and training phases, the maximum training epoch was set to 75, and the model was saved when minimum validation loss was achieved.

Machine Learning-Based Radiogenomic Signatures

We also trained classical machine learning models, using support vector machines (SVM), with radiomic features for prediction of mutations in each of the key driver genes and pathways. For the patients in the discovery cohort, feature selection and classifier training were performed using Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator (LASSO) feature selection approach wrapped with SVM with a linear kernel. This method was applied in a nested cross-validation (nested-CV) schema with 5-fold CV in the inner loop for feature subset selection and with 10-fold CV in the outer loop for model optimization and hyperparameter selection to avoid data overfitting and ensure generalizability to the unseen replication cohort.

Classification Scenarios

Radiogenomic signatures of co-occurring mutations in key driver genes, i.e., EGFR, PTEN, TP53, NF1, and key pathways, i.e., RTK, PI3K, P53, and MAPK were generated based on (1) radiomic features extracted from multi-parametric conventional MRI scans using deep learning and SVM classification methods, and (2) the features calculated from multi-parametric conventional and advanced MRI scans using SVM classification.