

Image protocol quality - well-documented image protocols (for example, contrast, slice thickness, energy, etc.) and/or usage of public image protocols allow reproducibility/replicability

☒ protocols well documented

☐ public protocol used

☐ none

Multiple segmentations - possible actions are: segmentation by different physicians/algorithms/software, perturbing segmentations by (random) noise, segmentation at different breathing cycles. Analyse feature robustness to segmentation variabilities

☒ yes

☐ no

Phantom study on all scanners - detect inter-scanner differences and vendor-dependent features. Analyse feature robustness to these sources of variability

☐ yes

☒ no

Imaging at multiple time points - collect images of individuals at additional time points. Analyse feature robustness to temporal variabilities (for example, organ movement, organ expansion/shrinkage)

☐ yes

☒ no

Feature reduction or adjustment for multiple testing - decreases the risk of overfitting. Overfitting is inevitable if the number of features exceeds the number of samples. Consider feature robustness when selecting features

☒ Either measure is implemented

☐ Neither measure is implemented

Multivariable analysis with non radiomics features (for example, EGFR mutation) - is expected to provide a more holistic model. Permits correlating/inferencing between radiomics and non radiomics features

☐ yes

☒ no

Detect and discuss biological correlates - demonstration of phenotypic differences (possibly associated with underlying gene–protein expression patterns) deepens understanding of radiomics and biology

☒ yes

☐ no

Cut-off analyses - determine risk groups by either the median, a previously published cut-off or report a continuous risk variable. Reduces the risk of reporting overly optimistic results

☐ yes

☒ no

Discrimination statistics - report discrimination statistics (for example, C-statistic, ROC curve, AUC) and their statistical significance (for example, p-values, confidence intervals). One can also apply resampling method (for example, bootstrapping, cross-validation)

☒ a discrimination statistic and its statistical significance are reported

☒ a resampling method technique is also applied

☐ none

Calibration statistics - report calibration statistics (for example, Calibration-in-the-large/slope, calibration plots) and their statistical significance (for example, P-values, confidence intervals). One can also apply resampling method (for example, bootstrapping, cross-validation)

☒ a calibration statistic and its statistical significance are reported

☒ a resampling method technique is applied

☐ none

Prospective study registered in a trial database - provides the highest level of evidence supporting the clinical validity and usefulness of the radiomics biomarker

☒ yes

☐ no

Validation - the validation is performed without retraining and without adaptation of the cut-off value, provides crucial information with regard to credible clinical performance

☐ No validation

☐ validation is based on a dataset from the same institute

☐ validation is based on a dataset from another institute

☒ validation is based on two datasets from two distinct institutes

☐ the study validates a previously published signature

☐ validation is based on three or more datasets from distinct institutes

Comparison to 'gold standard' - assess the extent to which the model agrees with/is superior to the current 'gold standard' method (for example, TNM-staging for survival prediction). This comparison shows the added value of radiomics

☒ yes

☐ no

Potential clinical utility - report on the current and potential application of the model in a clinical setting (for example, decision curve analysis).

☒ yes

☐ no

Cost-effectiveness analysis - report on the cost-effectiveness of the clinical application (for example, QALYs generated)

☐ yes

☒ no

Open science and data - make code and data publicly available. Open science facilitates knowledge transfer and reproducibility of the study

☐ scans are open source

☐ region of interest segmentations are open source

☐ the code is open sourced

☐ radiomics features are calculated on a set of representative ROIs and the calculated features and representative ROIs are open source

Total score

25

(69.44%)