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Autosegmentation of cardiac substructures in respiratory-gated, non-contrasted CT images This is an interesting manuscript as it is a comprehensive study on the feasibility of Autosegmentation of cardiac substructures in respiratory-gated, non-contrasted CT images. As radiation dose to specific cardiac substructures can have a significant on treatment related morbidity and mortality which limited the radiation dose to tumor located closely attach to cardiac structure and subsequently decreased the local control rate as well as overall survival. Previous studies such as RTOG 0617 and Thor et al, show dose escalation reduced patient survival, in part due to excessive cardiotoxicity in SBRT of lung ca. These findings have been supported by several other groups. However, despite these findings, definition of such structures is not standard in radiation planning at this time. This is one of the few early study investigated the feasibility of autosegmentation of the cardiac substructures in four-dimensional (4D) computed tomography (CT), respiratory-gated, non-contrasted imaging. There remain a few limitation in this study need to be address.

1.) number of patients study was too small to have a final strong conclusion. **Thank you for this suggestion. We added a sentence in the conclusion addressing this limitation**

2.) these studies have reported success in autocontouring the great vessels and heart chambers, whereas the coronary arteries and heart valves still failed autosegmentation or required complete recontouring. Damage of coronary vessels was one of the major problem of the late toxicity of radiation therapy, which until now still needed to be solved. Hopefully with continue innovation and advancement of computer technology this problem could be curbed in the near future. Nevertheless, this manuscript will add to a growing knowledge of AI contouring of cardia structures. and eventual lay as a foundation for the future treatment of thoracic tumors.

Science editor

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6 Re-Review: Not required.

7 Recommendation: Conditional acceptance.