

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Title: Prediction of different stages for rectal cancer: Texture analysis based on diffusion-weighted images and apparent diffusion coefficient maps

Reviewer's code: 02650654

Position: Peer Reviewer

Academic degree: MD

Professional title: Associate Professor

Reviewer's Country/Territory: Italy

Author's Country/Territory: China

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

There is a lot of abbreviations: could they be reduced? In the discussion , you could underline the great utility of your methos of staging , comparing with the more usual CT.

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This is a a retrospective study which tries to integrate novel technologies into clinical practice. The retrospective nature and the single slice texture analysis are successfully recognized by the authors as limitations for such kind of studies. Personally, I emphasize the small sample of patients as a limitation of such kind of studies, because considering the factors of the size of tumor, the tumor location from the anal verge and the coexistence of adequate fat in each specific region, and the presence of lymphnodes might create low-size subgroups for further analysis or incorporate them by mistake in larger groups that might create dubious results, especially if we consider the fact that all these patients come from a single center, a fact which might be a limitation to the reproducibility for the results. I would accept as a first step this initial well-written manuscript with an emphasis to the authors to conduct a future randomized multi-center prospective trial.

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