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| Scientific quality | Good |
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

I congratulate you for this original and comprehensively written study based on Preoperative prediction of perineural invasion of rectal cancer based on an MRI radiomics model, in which the techniques and findings are explained in detail and which has advantages over previous studies. The study was found to be publishable in its current form.