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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

It is an interesting study. The authors conducted a systematic review to evaluate current PRS models in gastric cancer risk prediction. They found that PRS models had the potential to predict the risk of gastric cancer with a moderate accuracy.



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This is a systematic review article which assessed the accuracy of current polygenic risk score (PRS) models in the risk prediction of gastric cancer. The authors showed that the overall accuracy was moderate with AUC values ranging from 0.56 to 0.7823. Furthermore, they indicated that incorporation of other risk factors for gastric cancer, including epidemiological factors, H. pylori status, genetic variations of H. pylori, and bacterial members of the gastric microbiom could increase the accuracy of the models. This study was conducted well, and the methods are appropriate. The data are presented clearly. In general, this is a well-written paper that presents interesting data. The results will be of interest to clinicians in the field. However, the following a minor issue require clarification: Minor 1. Previous studies have shown that serum pepsinogen status reflects the extent of atrophic change in gastric mucosa, which is a risk factor for gastric cancer. Furthermore, studies have demonstrated that serum pepsinogen status in combination with H. pylori status can successfully stratify the risk for gastric cancer. The authors should introduce these knowledges. The authors can refer to related articles below: 1) Miki K, Ichinose M, Kawamura N, et al. The significance of low serum pepsinogen levels to detect stomach cancer associated with extensive chronic gastritis in Japanese subjects. Jpn J Cancer Res 1989;80:1989. 2) Watabe H, Mitsushima T, Yamaji Y, et al. Predicting the development of gastric cancer from combining Helicobacter pylori antibodies and serum pepsinogen status: a prospective endoscopic cohort study. Gut 2005;54:764-768.