

PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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Conclusion	[<input checked="" type="radio"/>] Accept (High priority) [<input type="radio"/>] Accept (General priority) [<input type="radio"/>] Minor revision [<input type="radio"/>] Major revision [<input type="radio"/>] Rejection
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is an excellent review article on the role of Deep learning in the management of hepatocellular carcinoma. It is well-written and comprehensive. I only have 2 small suggestions: 1. Please define "multi-omics" in the manuscript as I don't know if most readers of our journal will know to what you are referring. 2. Many readers are interested in robotics and autonomous actions. It is a controversial topic, with some authors thinking that we are far away from autonomy and other authors thinking that there are already examples of autonomous actions in surgery. Hashimoto DA, Rosman G, Rus D, Meireles OR. Artificial Intelligence in Surgery: Promises and Perils. *Ann Surg.* 2018 Jul;268(1):70-76. doi: 10.1097/SLA.0000000000002693. PMID: 29389679; PMCID: PMC5995666. Gumbs AA, Perretta S, d'Allemagne B, Chouillard E. What is Artificial Intelligence Surgery?. *Art Int Surg* 2021;1:1-10. <http://dx.doi.org/10.20517/ais.2021.01> What do you think of these diverging opinions? And more importantly, what is the future role of Deep learning in getting us towards autonomous actions? Evaluation of Surgical Skills during Robotic Surgery by Deep Learning-Based Multiple Surgical Instrument Tracking in Training and Actual Operations *J. Clin. Med.* 2020, 9, 1964; doi:10.3390/jcm9061964 Evaluation of Deep Learning Models for Identifying Surgical Actions and Measuring Performance ShujaKhalid, MSc; Mitchell Goldenberg, MBBS, PhD; Teodor Grantcharov, MD, PhD; Babak Taati, PhD; Frank Rudzicz, PhD Is it limited to evaluating surgical skills only, or will it lead us towards autonomous robotics? Degraeve J, Hermans M, Dambre J, Wyffels F. A Differentiable Physics Engine for Deep Learning in Robotics. *Front Neurobot.* 2019 Mar 7;13:6. doi: 10.3389/fnbot.2019.00006. PMID: 30899218; PMCID: PMC6416213.

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

- Title is good and relevant. - Table 1 actually depicts all the previous study been done on the relevant problem of applying deep learning on hepatocellular carcinoma currently and in future. - Emphasis is seen in the paper but the paper discusses more on the disease and its diagnostic measures rather explaining the AI and deep learning expect of it. - I would recommend to incorporate some technical expertise related information and details related to the application of deep learning in past, present and future.

RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Paper is good as a mini-review paper of how deep learning would leverage the

diagnosis and prognosis of HCC in future. The paper holds significance for the field of recent advancements in SmartHealth. As a review paper is limited to identify the connection of deep learning to diagnose HCC in future but would require the intervention of technology experts to take it forward for implementation.