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## Artificial Intelligence, Machine/Deep-Learning



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Model 4: limited radiomics model	MTV, SUV <sub>max</sub> , SUV <sub>peak</sub> , SUV <sub>mean</sub> , TLG, number of lesions, Dmax <sub>patient</sub> , Dmax <sub>bulk</sub> , Sp Spread <sub>bulk</sub> , and Sphericity
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Model	AUC (95%CI)	CV-AUC (95%CI)	Log-likelihood ratio	Specificity	Sensitivity	NPV	PPV
IPI (model 1)	0.68 (0.61-0.75)	0.68 (0.51-0.80)	- 126.11	0.79	0.40	0.86	0.29
Clinical model (model 2)	0.73 (0.66–0.80)	0.71 (0.56-0.86)	-123.52	0.87	0.38	0.87	0.38
MTV (model 3)	0.66 (0.58–0.74)	0.66 (0.50-0.81)	- 129.96	0.84	0.27	0.84	0.27
Limited radiomics model (model 4)	0.76 (0.69–0.82)	0.75 (0.59-0.88)	- 117.61	0.88	0.44	0.88	0.44
Combined model (model 6)	0.79 (0.73–0.86)	0.77 (0.61-0.90)	-113.4	0.88	0.44	0.88	0.44

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## TME



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Figure 1



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NR1H3			1		
	High	266	¢	Reference	
	Low	48	•	3.51 (2.21, 5.56)	<0.001
IPI					
	Low	121	₽	Reference	
	Low-Int	76	¦⊷⊕⊷	2.73 (1.39, 5.36)	0.004
	High-Int	68	¦ ⊷	3.97 (2.00, 7.89)	<0.001
	High	49	¦ ⊷	5.50 (2.83, 10.70)	<0.001
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	GCB+UC	172	Ð	Reference	
	ABC	142	₩	2.23 (1.44, 3.47)	<0.001





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	Low-Int	38	- <del> </del>	1.37 (0.53, 3.56)	0.514
	High-Int	40	¦⊷	4.12 (1.91, 8.87)	<0.001
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	GCB+UC	87	<b>⊕</b>	Reference	
	ABC	57	•	1.93 (1.09, 3.39)	0.023

Figure 2

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	Macrophages M1	0.0001	<0.0001	0.0001	0.0001
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### Stop explaining black box machine learning models for high stakes decisions and use interpretable models instead

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Black box machine learning models are currently being used for high-stakes decision making throughout society, causing problems in healthcare, criminal justice and other domains. Some people hope that creating methods for explaining these black box models will alleviate some of the problems, but trying to explain black box models, rather than creating models that are interpretable in the first place, is likely to perpetuate bad practice and can potentially cause great harm to society. The way forward is to design models that are inherently interpretable. This Perspective clarifies the chasm between explaining black boxes and using inherently interpretable models, outlines several key reasons why explainable black boxes should be avoided in highstakes decisions, identifies challenges to interpretable machine learning, and provides several example applications where interpretable models could potentially replace black box models in criminal justice, healthcare and computer vision.



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### Innovative techniques of gene selection via XAI for prognostic purposes

## Conclusions

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