

Is it possible to predict a cardiac arrest? AI close to clinical decision practice

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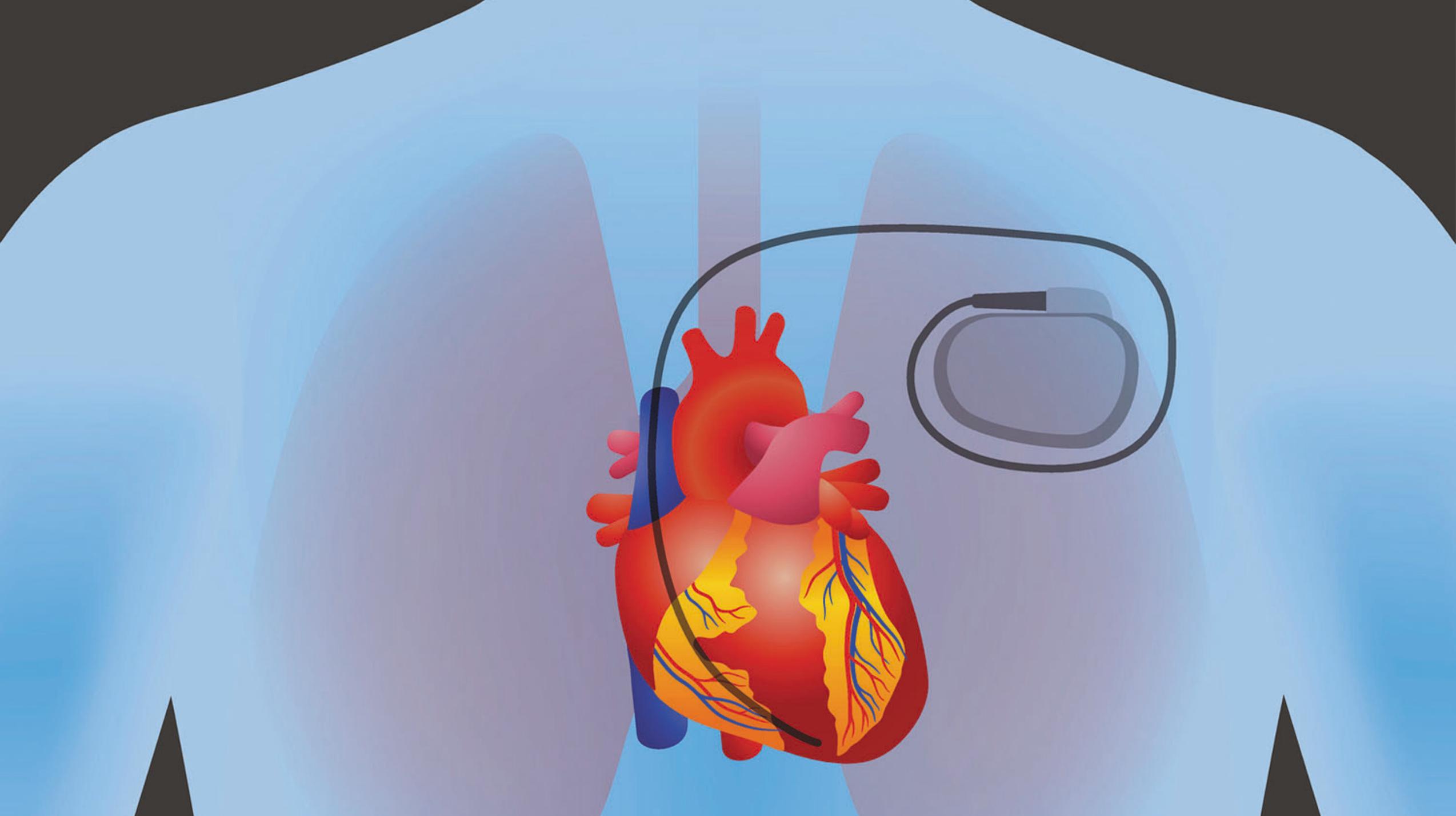
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Remote Monitoring: Transmission of ICD/pacemaker data



ICD patient



Remote monitoring
system at the clinic



Technician
& EP



Technicians' & physicians' needs

Support for prioritisation (Technicians)

- Pritoritisation (5 min)
- Prepare handover to physician

Support for decision-making (Physicians)

- Reaching a decision (20 min)
- Information overload



ICD/Pacemaker remote monitoring

6.000 clinics world wide

4M patients with ICD/pacemaker

Typical large clinic

- **3.000 patients**
- **14.000 transmissions per year**
- **40% require clinical decision-making***

Support clinical decisions:

What if we could predict the risk of arrhythmias in the near future?

4 day risk prediction using ICD data?

Predicting electrical storms by remote monitoring of implantable cardioverter-defibrillator patients using machine learning

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Table 3 Accuracies, AUC values, and sensitivities at 0.9 and 0.99 specificity

| | Logistic regression | Random forest |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| Accuracy | 0.96 | 0.96 |
| AUC | 0.75 | 0.80 |
| Sensitivity at 0.9 specificity | 0.53 | 0.61 |
| Sensitivity at 0.99 specificity | 0.37 | 0.39 |

AUC, area under the curve.

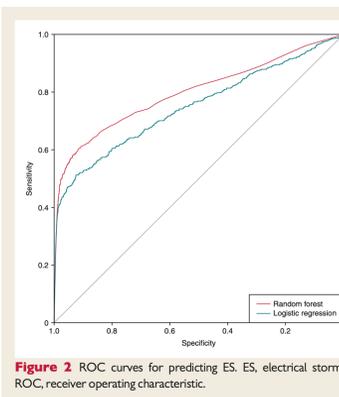


Figure 2 ROC curves for predicting ES. ES, electrical storm; ROC, receiver operating characteristic.

It works!

**But, too many false positives in
clinical practice**

AI/ML in health works (in the lab)

ARTICLE OPEN

Deep learning algorithm predicts diabetic retinopathy progression in individual patients

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The global burden of diabetic retinopathy (DR) continues to worsen and DR remains a leading cause of vision loss worldwide. Here, we describe an algorithm to predict DR progression by means of deep learning (DL), using as input color fundus photographs (CFPs) acquired at a single visit from a patient with DR. The proposed DL models were designed to predict future DR progression, defined as 2-step worsening on the Early Treatment Diabetic Retinopathy Diabetic Retinopathy Severity Scale, and were trained against DR severity scores assessed after 6, 12, and 24 months from the baseline visit by masked, well-trained, human reading center graders. The performance of one of these models (prediction at month 12) resulted in an area under the curve equal to 0.79. Interestingly, our results highlight the importance of the predictive signal located in the peripheral retinal fields, not routinely collected for DR assessments, and the importance of microvascular abnormalities. Our findings show the feasibility of predicting future DR progression by leveraging CFPs of a patient acquired at a single visit. Upon further development on larger and more diverse datasets, such an algorithm could enable early diagnosis and referral to a retina specialist for more frequent monitoring and even consideration of early intervention. Moreover, it could also improve patient recruitment for clinical trials targeting DR.

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INTRODUCTION

Vision loss due to diabetic eye disease is on the rise and it is expected to reach epidemic proportions globally in the next few decades. In 2017, ~425 million people worldwide had diabetes, and this number is estimated to increase to 642 million by 2040.¹ Diabetic retinopathy (DR) is the most common and insidious

The purpose of this work was to go beyond the use of DL for DR diagnostics^{15–17,19} and to assess the feasibility of developing DCNNs operating on 7-field CFPs that can predict the future threat of significant DR worsening at a patient level over a span of 2 years after the baseline visit.

To achieve that, our DCNNs have been trained on high-



ELSEVIER



Early detection of sepsis utilizing deep learning on electronic health record event sequences

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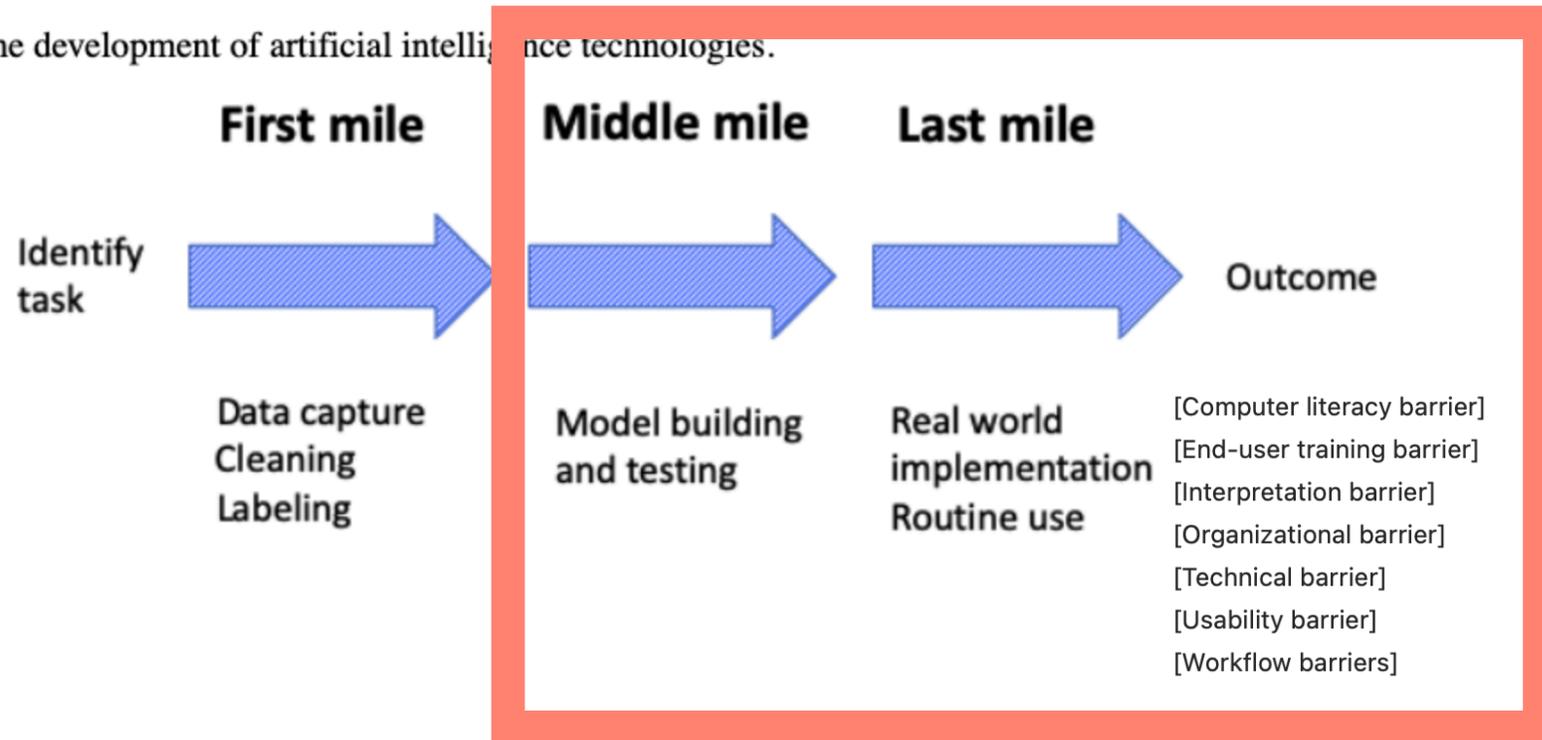
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ABSTRACT

Background: The timeliness of detection of a sepsis incidence in progress is a crucial factor in the outcome for the patient. Machine learning models built from data in electronic health records can be used as an effective tool for improving this timeliness, but so far, the potential for clinical implementations has been largely limited to studies in intensive care units. This study will employ a richer data set that will expand the applicability of these models beyond intensive care units. Furthermore, we will circumvent several important limitations that have been found in the literature: (1) Model evaluations neglect the clinical consequences of a decision to start, or not start, an intervention for sepsis. (2) Models are evaluated shortly before sepsis onset without considering interventions already initiated. (3) Machine learning models are built on a restricted set of clinical parameters, which are not necessarily measured in all departments. (4) Model performance is limited by current knowledge

“The Last Mile”: Where AI Meets Reality

Figure 1. Three stages in the development of artificial intelligence technologies.



Google Brain: AI-tool in the wild

Predicting Diabetic Retinopathy

Deep-learning tool tested in 11 clinics in Thailand

Socio-technical challenges with AI-tool in real life

- Busy screening procedures
- Poor lightning conditions resulted in poor predictions
- Internet speed: 60-90 seconds to upload
- Accuracy and patient burden: 50% opt out because of referral to other clinic (not all patients have cars)



Risk of ventricular fibrillations or tachycardia within 30 days

1

✗ Alarm Raised

2

44.0% chance of ventricular tachycardia or fibrillation within 30 days

Observations increasing likelihood of arrhythmia:

observations

ventricular tachycardia episodes in zone 1 previous week

Observations decreasing likelihood of arrhythmia:

observations

no electrical storm on day

no ventricular tachycardia episodes in zone 1 on day

no atps on day

no ventricular tachycardia episodes in zone 1 previous day

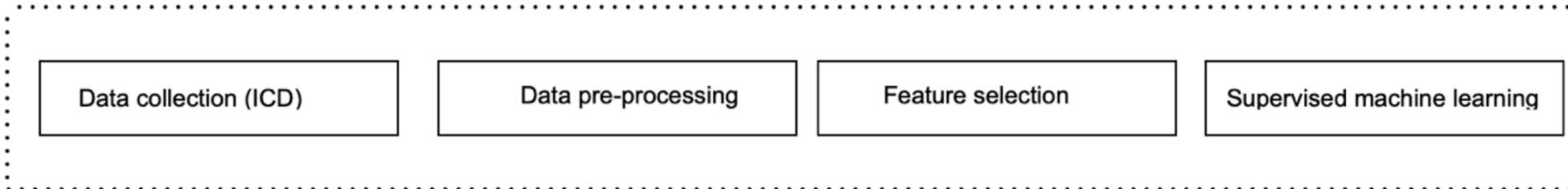
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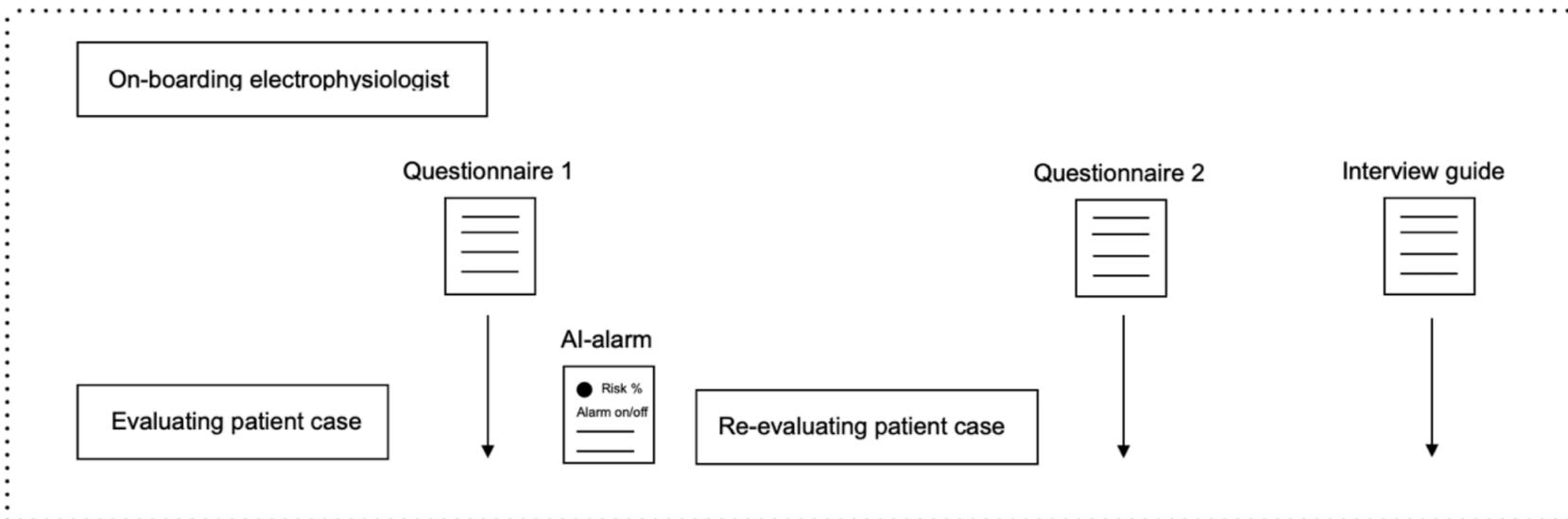
Stage 1: Understanding needs & co-design solutions



Stage 2: Development of AI-algorithm



Stage 3: Near-live feasibility study



AI-tool

1251 patients (2015-2019)

11921 transmissions, 74,149 arrhythmia episodes

Random forest & LIME XAI

Tested on 2,342 of the 11,921 transmissions

Accuracy: 0.96

Positive predictive value: 0.67

Negative predictive value of 0.97

Threshold for alarm: 0.28

Near-live case study

5 patient cases

7 electrophysiologists

12.5 hrs video analysed using grounded theory

Feasibility of AI-tool in clinical practice?

Does the AI-alarm Support Clinical Decision-Making?

- Change action
- Visualization
- Reduce time

Overall feasibility

- Acceptability
- Adoption
- Demand
- Implementation



Table 2. The effect of the alarm on electrophysiologists' decision-making: questionnaire answers

| Question | Answer | Number of answers | Number of answers in % | Case 1 | Case 2 | Case 3 | Case 6 | Case 7 |
|---|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 1) The AI-alarm makes me change my decision on clinical action | | | | | | | | |
| | Yes | 1 | 3% | 14% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| | No | 33 | 97% | 86% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| 2) The AI-alarm supported my decision-making | | | | | | | | |
| | Strongly disagree/disagree | 8 | 24% | 29% | 14% | 0% | 43% | 29% |
| | Neither agree nor disagree | 3 | 9% | 14% | 0% | 0% | 14% | 14% |
| | Agree/ Strongly agree | 23 | 68% | 57% | 86% | 100% | 43% | 57% |
| 3) The AI-alarm's visualization of parameters supported my decision making | | | | | | | | |
| | Strongly disagree/disagree | 10 | 29% | 43% | 14% | 17% | 43% | 29% |
| | Neither agree nor disagree | 3 | 9% | 14% | 14% | 14% | 14% | 14% |
| | Agree/ Strongly agree | 21 | 62% | 43% | 86% | 83% | 43% | 57% |
| 4) The AI-alarm can help me reach a decision faster | | | | | | | | |
| | Strongly disagree/disagree | 12 | 35% | 57% | 29% | 17% | 29% | 43% |
| | Neither agree nor disagree | 4 | 12% | 14% | 0% | 0% | 43% | 0% |
| | Agree/ Strongly agree | 18 | 53% | 29% | 71% | 83% | 29% | 57% |

Beyond accuracy: context dependencies

Physician: The AI-tool's prediction is something that might make me react a little more aggressively. If our patient schedule is fully booked, both today and tomorrow, and the day after tomorrow, but on Friday we have time. Then I kind of have to make a trade-off.

Workflow effects: delegation to technicians

Physician: Physicians don't bother to hear about it if it is below a certain percentage. You might well imagine that introducing this alarm will support handling low-risk transmissions

Trust established in use

Physician: Just like with all other new technology based on machine learning: the first two months I sit and read through to see what I have, but in month three, I will look at the output alone. Because - then I trust that it has pulled out what is appropriate, and then it starts saving me all the work I did in the beginning

Human-AI collaboration: second opinion

Physician: We have a lot of patients who suddenly have a lot of VT, and they are very interesting, because if you have some doubt about really stepping in – I could well imagine that you might want to lean on the algorithm's advice

Next steps

- Prospective study
- Activity & arrhythmia?

Activity as predictor



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CLINICAL RESEARCH

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Implantable cardioverter-defibrillators (ICDs) are used for the primary and secondary prevention of sudden death in patients with various types of heart disease.^{1,2} The number of delivered therapies is low in most patients; however, approximately 10–25% of patients will experience episodes of electrical storm (ES), which is defined as

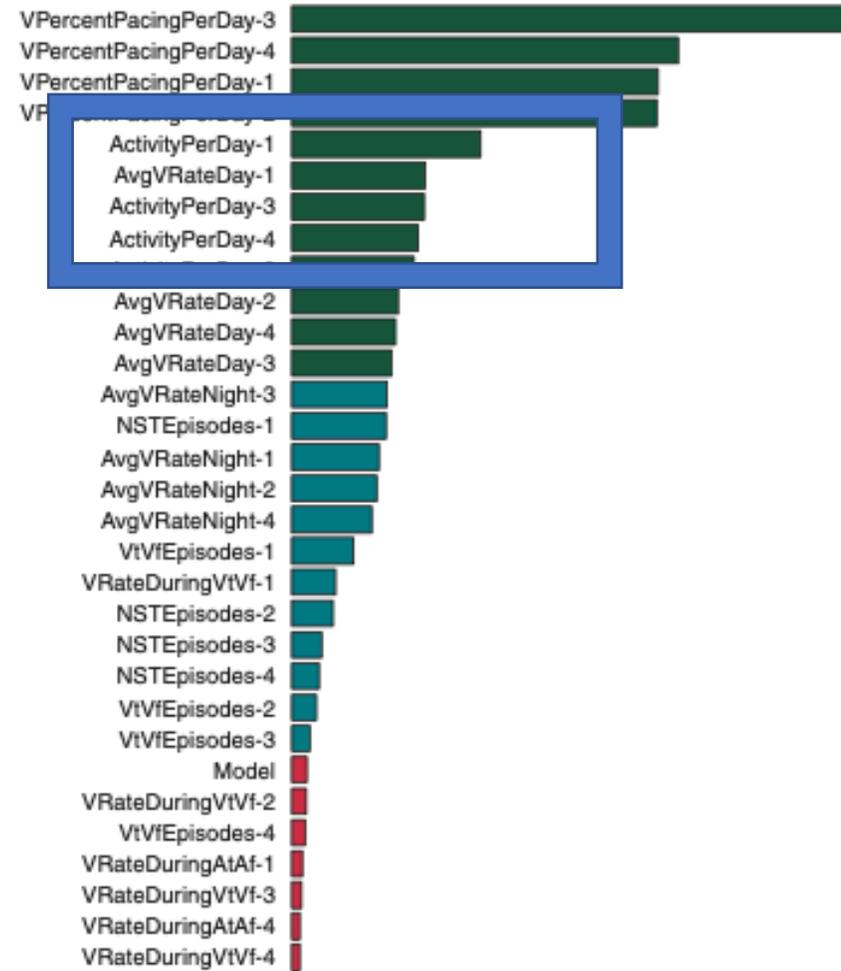
three or more distinct episodes of ventricular tachycardia (VT) or ventricular fibrillation (VF) within 24h.^{3–7} The occurrence of frequent episodes of ES has been linked to psychological trauma, a reduced quality of life and increased mortality. Thus identifying patients at high risk of ES is essential.^{6–9}

Several factors including progressive heart failure, severe reduction of left ventricular function, advanced age, previous VT or VF

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More important

Variables



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SafeHeart project (Eurostars 2020-2023)



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