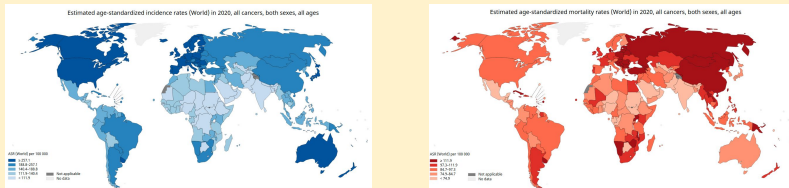


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A novel method to help predict survival from HPV-induced oral cancer, based on a self supervised contrastive learning pretrained model with anonymised patient pathology data and other histological data

Introduction

While people still are worrying about waves of Covid-19 cases, tsunamis of cancer cases globally are worrying.



Total incidence 2020 est Total mortality
Incidence and mortality maps from <https://gco.iarc.fr/>

Ear Nose and Throat (ENT) cancers caused by Human Papilloma virus (HPV) spread as a sexually transmitted disease, and we need better tools to prevent mortality in patients & database access for open science.

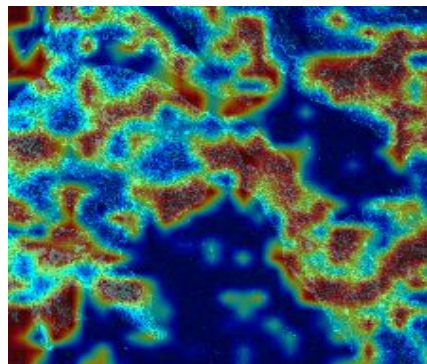
Artificial intelligence may help.

Results

Current Score on Macro: 5.766

Model outperforms many publicly available models such as ResNet-18

Can capture cellular structure in images better than original baselines



GRAD-CAM visualisation

Feature and Layer Importance:

Through Leave-One-Out and manual evaluation using medical expertise, we find that in terms of marker importance:

$$5 \ \& \ 3 \ > \ 1 \ \& \ 2 \ > \ 6 \ \& \ 4$$

Feature importance from the tabular can be ranked as

1. Whether the person has died
2. How old they were
3. Age of diagnosis
4. Severity of condition
5. Gender:

Methods

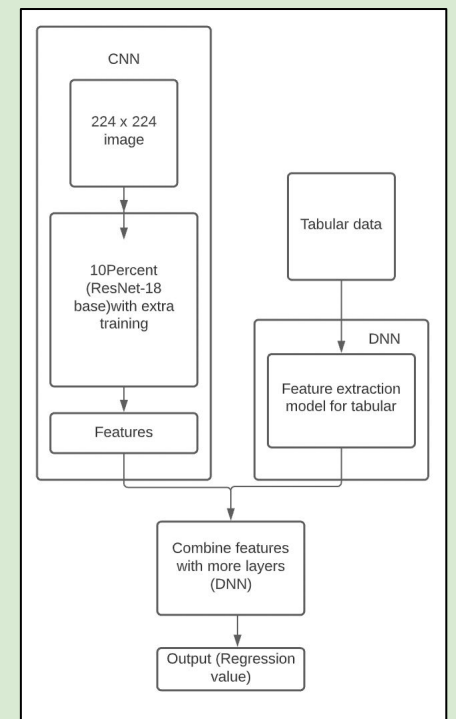
Histological sections from biopsies were used to train the El-nAl-ny model, based on a pre-trained Res-Net*, then visualized using GRAD-CAM **

Training was done using data stored on Dataiku and generated images were compared back against image stack analyses

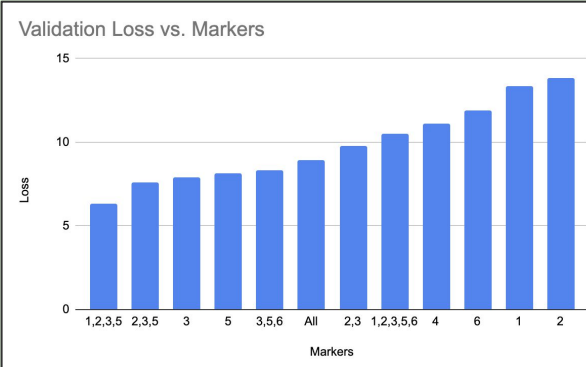
Evaluation Methods

Model evaluation was done using two methods:

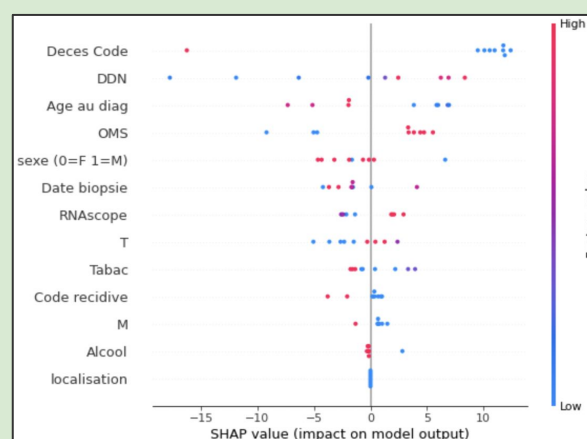
- 1) Using XGBoost and SHAP to determine feature importance from the tabular
- 2) Use Leave One Out to remove one marker feature at a time and checking performance
 - a) Biological expertise to evaluate the model and rank their layers too



Model architecture



Leave One Out: Average performance on validation sets across folds for markers



Feature importance from the tabular

Future Prospects

- Model optimization and explainability
- More clinical data
- Model deployment
- Clinical trials also in light of possibilities for vaccination now

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