



Comprehensive review of publicly available colonoscopic imaging databases for artificial intelligence research: availability, accessibility, and usability

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Background and Aims: Publicly available databases containing colonoscopic imaging data are valuable resources for artificial intelligence (AI) research. Currently, little is known regarding the available number and content of these databases. This review aimed to describe the availability, accessibility, and usability of publicly available colonoscopic imaging databases, focusing on polyp detection, polyp characterization, and quality of colonoscopy.

Methods: A systematic literature search was performed in MEDLINE and Embase to identify AI studies describing publicly available colonoscopic imaging databases published after 2010. Second, a targeted search using Google's Dataset Search, Google Search, GitHub, and Figshare was done to identify databases directly. Databases were included if they contained data about polyp detection, polyp characterization, or quality of colonoscopy. To assess accessibility of databases, the following categories were defined: open access, open access with barriers, and regulated access. To assess the potential usability of the included databases, essential details of each database were extracted using a checklist derived from the Checklist for Artificial Intelligence in Medical Imaging.

Results: We identified 22 databases with open access, 3 databases with open access with barriers, and 15 databases with regulated access. The 22 open access databases contained 19,463 images and 952 videos. Nineteen of these databases focused on polyp detection, localization, and/or segmentation; 6 on polyp characterization, and 3 on quality of colonoscopy. Only half of these databases have been used by other researcher to develop, train, or benchmark their AI system. Although technical details were in general well reported, important details such as polyp and patient demographics and the annotation process were under-reported in almost all databases.

Conclusions: This review provides greater insight on public availability of colonoscopic imaging databases for AI research. Incomplete reporting of important details limits the ability of researchers to assess the usability of current databases. (Gastrointest Endosc 2023;97:184-99.)

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The successful development of artificial intelligence (AI) systems for automatic polyp detection, polyp characterization, and colonoscopy quality assessment requires availability of high-quality databases of colonoscopy images or videos along with high-quality annotations.¹⁻⁴ This may contribute to a reduced number of missed polyps and improved accuracy of optical diagnosis of colorectal polyps, leading to optimized treatment decisions and potential implementation of the optical diagnosis strategy.⁵⁻⁷ These annotations provide the ground truth (eg, accurate polyp localization, polyp histology class, or bowel cleanliness level) and are necessary to train machine learning models. For object detection and classification in general,

large databases are publicly available and widely used to develop and improve machine learning models.⁸ In health care, however, it is difficult to create such large-scale and high-quality publicly available databases because of high monetary costs, required expertise, and privacy regulations. These databases certainly exist, as most gastroenterology departments own clinical colonoscopy imaging data. Because of barriers in accessibility and usability, however, these databases might not be used often by researchers.

Various barriers of accessibility exist: visibility barriers (eg, no centralized directory of colonoscopic imaging databases for AI-related research), cost barriers (eg, payment for access to databases), time barriers, privacy barriers

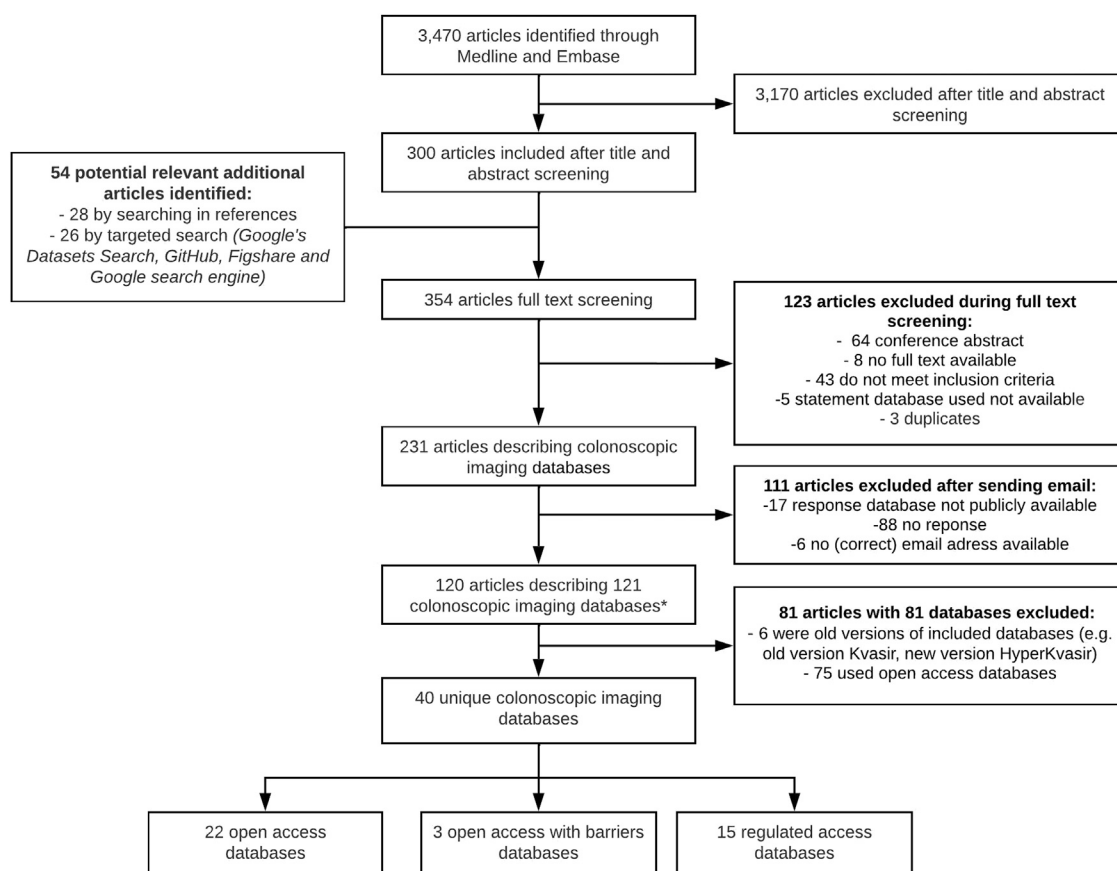


Figure 1. Flowchart of literature and targeted search and database identification. *Wang et al¹⁴ contained 2 databases.

(eg, participant consent, ethical approval), political barriers (eg, researchers or commercial parties do not want to share their data), and governance barriers (eg, regulations on data use). Furthermore, several barriers of usability are imaginable: data quality barriers (eg, low resolution, blurry, “far away” images), data modality barriers (eg, an outdated image modality is used), data representativeness barriers (eg, unrepresentative, unbalanced, or beyond clinical standard high-quality database), and annotation process barriers (eg, no precise documentation of the annotation process). To maximize the potential of data resources and ultimately improve the quality of AI research, this review aimed to identify the availability, accessibility, and usability of publicly available colonoscopic imaging databases focusing on polyp detection, polyp characterization, and quality of colonoscopy.

METHODS

Eligibility criteria and search

This review was performed in compliance with the PRISMA 2020 guidelines⁹ and was registered with PROSPERO (CRD42021230672). We included AI-related studies describing colonoscopy imaging databases containing

both images and videos. A colonoscopic imaging database was eligible for inclusion if the database contained data about polyp detection (including polyp localization and segmentation), polyp characterization, and/or colonoscopy quality (eg, quality of bowel preparation, cecal intubation landmarks, rectum in retroflexion) (Appendix 1, available online at www.giejournal.org). Only studies in English published since 2010 were included. Studies with databases containing noncolonoscopy images or videos, text, or numeric-only data and images from nonhumans were excluded. Studies focusing on CT colonography, wireless capsule endoscopy, endocytomicroscopy, confocal laser endoscopy, confocal microscopy, or high-resolution microendoscopy were excluded for this review. Studies exclusively focusing on patients with inflammatory bowel disease or polyposis syndromes were excluded as well.

Search strategy

The search consisted of 2 strategies. First, we performed a systematic literature search in MEDLINE and Embase to identify AI studies describing colonoscopic imaging databases that were publicly available, and then we attempted to access these databases at the source (Appendix 2, available online at www.giejournal.org). Second, we performed a targeted

TABLE 1. Characteristics of open access databases and their applications

Database	Country of origin	Publication date	Access type	Data access details	Link to database
BKAI-IGH NeoPolyp-Small ¹²	Vietnam	2021	OA	Downloadable zip file	https://bkai.ai/research/bkai-igh-neopolyp-small-a-database-for-fine-grained-polyp-segmentation/
Cho et al 2019 ^{13,†}	Korea	2019	OA	Downloadable zip file	https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.7937336.v1
CP-CHILD-A ¹⁴	China	2020	OA	Downloadable zip file	https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.12554042
CP-CHILD-B ¹⁴	China	2020	OA	Downloadable zip file	https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.12554042
CVC-ClinicVideoDB ^{15,16}	Spain	2017	OA	Register and create account for link to download rar file	https://giana.grand-challenge.org/
CVC-EndoSceneStill ^{17,§}	Spain	2017	OA	Register and create account for link to download zip file	http://www.cvc.uab.es/CVC-Colon/index.php/databases/cvc-endoscenestill/
CVC-HDClassif database ^{18,19}	Spain	2021	OA	Register and create account for link to download zip files	https://giana.grand-challenge.org/
CVC-PolypHD ¹⁷	Spain	2017	OA	Register and create account for link to download zip file	https://giana.grand-challenge.org/
EDD 2020 ^{20,}	France, Italy	2021	OA	Downloadable zip file	https://ieee-dataport.org/competitions/endoscopy-disease-detection-and-segmentation-edd2020
ERS ^{35,}	Poland	2022	OAr	Fill in a form and get e-mailed a link to download zip file	https://cvlab.eti.pg.gda.pl/publications/endoscopy-database
Hamlyn Centre Endoscopic Video Database ²¹	UK	2016	OA	Fill in a form for link to download zip file	http://hamlyn.doc.ic.ac.uk/vision
HyperKvasir ^{22,¶}	Norway	2019	OA	Downloadable zip file	https://osf.io/mh9sj/
ISIT-UMR Colonoscopy database ²³	France	2016	OA	Download each file separately	http://www.depeca.uah.es/colonoscopy_database/
KUMC database ²⁴⁻²⁶	USA	2020	OA	Downloadable zip file	https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0236452#sec019
LDPolypVideo Benchmark ²⁷	China	2021	OA	Downloadable zip file	https://github.com/dashishi/LDPolypVideo-Benchmark
NBIPolyp-Ucdb ²⁸	Portugal	2019	OA	Fill in a form for link to download zip file	http://www.mat.uc.pt/~isabelf/Polyp-UCdb/NBIPolyp-UCdb.html
WLPolyp-UCdb ²⁹	Portugal	2019	OA	Fill in a form for link to download zip file	http://www.mat.uc.pt/~isabelf/Polyp-UCdb/WLPolyp-UCdb.html
Nerthus ³⁰	Norway	2017	OA	Downloadable zip file	https://databases.simula.no/nerthus/
PICCOLO Widefield database ³¹	Spain	2020	OAr	Fill in a form and get e-mailed a link to download zip file	https://www.biobancovasco.org/en/Sample-and-data-catalog/Databases/PD178-PICCOLO-EN.html
POLAR database ³²	The Netherlands	2022	OAr	Fill in a form and get e-mailed a link to download zip file	http://www.polar.amsterdamumc.org
PolypGen ³³	UK, Norway, Egypt, Italy, France, Sweden	2021	OA	Register and create account for link to download zip file	https://www.synapse.org/ ; https://www.synapse.org/#!Synapse:syn26376620.1
SUN Colonoscopy video database ³⁴	Japan	2020	OAr	Request by e-mail for link to download zip file	http://amed8k.sundatabase.org/

OAr, Access on request; BP, bowel preparation; C, commercial; NR, not reported; NC, noncommercial; OA, open access; PC, polyp characterization; PD, polyp detection; PL, polyp localization; PS, polyp segmentation.

*Prospective database acquisition means the database was prospectively collected with the purpose of training/external validation database.

†Supplementary Table 4 shows the citations that used this database for training and/or external validation.

‡Complete database contains 112 patients; however, data only available for 2 patients.

§Derived from CVC-ColonDB⁵⁵ and CVC-ClinicDB.⁵⁶

||For review only colorectal cancer and polyp data were included.

¶Derived from Kvasir⁵⁷ and Kvasir-SEG⁵⁸ for review only lower GI data focused on colorectal polyp detection, localization, segmentation, characterization, and quality of colonoscopy were included.

**Not explicitly described whether the database can be used for commercial purposes.

TABLE 1. Continued

Database application	Acquisition data*	No. of centers collecting data	No. of patients	Total no. of images	Total no. of videos(frames)	Purpose reuse	Database reuse (impact)		
							Cited	Training/ internal validation†	Testing/ external validation†
PD, PL, PS, PC	NR	1	NR	1200	0	NR	3	0	0
Cecal landmarks	NR	1	2	0	2 (3645)	NC/C	4	0	0
PD	Prospective	1	NR	8000	0	NC/C	20	1	0
PD	Prospective	1	NR	1500	0	NC/C	20	0	1
PD, PL, PS	NR	1	36	0	36 (29,657)	NC	27	16	4
PD, PL, PS	Prospective	1	36	0	44 (912)	NC	772	165	19
PD, PL, PS, PC	NR	1	NR	1001	0	NC	0	0	0
PD, PL, PS	NR	1	NR	164	0	NC	131	3	0
PD, PL, PS	Prospective	2	NR	0	NR (175)	NR	30	3	0
PD, PL, PS	Retrospective	1	708	0	NR (44,249)	NC	0	0	0
PD, PL	Prospective	NR	NR	0	10 (7894)	NR	43	4	1
PD, PL, PS, BP, cecal landmarks, RF	Prospective	1	NR	4,231	142 (NR)	NC/C**	474	107	4
PC	Prospective	NR	NR	0	152 (NR)	NC/C**	107	28	1
PD, PL, PC	NR	1	NR	0	76 (4955)	NC	30	2	0
PD, PL	NR	1	NR	0	263 (901,666)	NC/C	0	0	0
PD, PL, PS	Prospective	1	10	0	11 (86)	NC	2	0	0
PD	Prospective	1	42	0	42 (3040)	NC	23	0	0
BP	Prospective	1	21	0	21 (5,525)	NC/C**	53	1	1
PD, PL, PS, PC	Prospective	1	40	0	40 (3433)	NC	11	2	0
PD, PL, PC	Prospective	9	802	3367	0	NC	0	0	0
PD, PL, PS	Prospective	6	>300	0	NR (6282)	NC	7	6	0
PD, PL, PC	Prospective	5	99	0	113 (158,690)	NC	48	5	1

search with similar search terms using Google's Database Search, the Google search engine, GitHub, and Figshare to identify colonoscopic imaging databases directly. For both Google search and Google Dataset search, results returned for each search were systematically collated and screened.

This systematic search was conducted under supervision of a medical librarian. Records were managed through Rayyan (<https://www.rayyan.ai/>) and Endnote (<https://endnote.com/>), which are specific software for managing bibliographies

TABLE 2. Characteristics of open access databases focusing on polyp detection, localization, and segmentation

Database	Application database	No. of unique patients	No. of unique polyps	No. of images				No. of videos (frames)			
				Total	With polyp	Without polyp	Not annotated	Total	With polyp	Without polyp	Not annotated
BKAI-IGH NeoPolyp-Small ¹²	PD, PL, PS	NR	6	1200	1,00	0	0	0	0	0	0
CP-CHILD-A ¹⁴	PD	NR	NR	8000*	1000*	7000*	0	0	0	0	0
CP-CHILD-B ¹⁴	PD	NR	NR	1500†	400†	1,100†	0	0	0	0	0
CVC-ClinicVideoDB ^{15,16}	PD, PL, PS	36	36		0	0	0	36 (29,657)‡	18 (9545)	18 (1384)	18 (18,733)
CVC-EndoSceneStill ¹⁷	PD, PL, PS	36	NR	0	0	0	0	44 (912)	44 (912)	0	0
CVC-HDCClassif database ^{18,9}	PD, PL, PS	NR	NR	1001§	901	0	100	0	0	0	0
CVC-PolypHD ¹⁷	PD, PL, PS	NR	164	164	56	0	108	0	0	0	0
EDD 2020 ²⁰	PD, PL, PS	NR	NR	0	0	0	0	NR (175)	NR (175)	0	0
ERS ³⁵	PD, PL, PS	708	NR	0	0	0	0	NR (44,249)	NR (32,218)	NR (12,031)	0
Hamlyn Centre Endoscopic Video Database ²¹	PD, PL	NR	10	0	0	0	0	10 (7894)	10 (4219)	10 (3675)	0
HyperKvasir ²²	PD, PL, PS	NR	NR	1028	1028 (1000)**	0	0	73 (NR)	73 (NR)	0	0
KUMC database ²⁴⁻²⁶	PD, PL	NR	76	0	0	0	0	76 (4955)	76 (4955)	0	0
LDPolypVideo Benchmark ²⁷	PD, PL	NR	200	0	0	0	0	263 (901,666)	NR (33,884)	NR (6382)	103 (861,400)
NBIPolyp-Ucdb ²⁸	PD, PL, PS	10	11	0	0	0	0	11 (86)	11 (86)	0	0
WLPolyp-UCdb ²⁹	PD	42	42	0	0	0	0	42 (3040)	42 (1680)	NR (1360)	0
PICCOLO Widefield database ³¹	PD, PL, PS	40	40	0	0	0	0	40 (3433)	40 (3433)	0	0
POLAR database ³²	PD, PL	802	2069	3367††	3367††	0	0	0	0	0	0
PolypGen ³³	PD, PL, PS	>300	NR	0	0	0	0	NR (6282)	NR (3762)	NR (2520)	0
SUN Colonoscopy video database ³⁴	PD, PL	99	100	0	0	0	0	113 (158,690)	100 (49,136)	13 (109,554)	0

Combination N-E, Combination no physician and expert physician; Combination J-E, combination junior physician and expert physician; PD, polyp detection; PL, polyp localization; PS, polyp segmentation; NR, not reported; WL, white-light endoscopy; NBI, narrow-band imaging; FICE, Fuji Intelligent Color Enhancement; CE, dye-based chromoendoscopy.

*7000 training images (800 polyp, 7200 nonpolyp), 1000 testing images (200 polyp, 800 nonpolyp).

†1100 training images (300 polyp, 800 nonpolyp), 400 testing images (100 polyp, 300 nonpolyp).

‡Training (10,924 frames) test (18,733 frames).

§788 training images, 113 internal validation images, 100 testing images.

||56 training images, 108 test images.

**1028 images annotated with bounding box; 1000 images annotated with binary mask.

††2637 training images (1339 unique polyps), 730 test images (730 unique polyps).

Selection process

Search results were independently screened in duplicate by 2 reviewers (B.B.S.L.H. and K.J.N.) to identify the name and source of any relevant study with an eligible database. Duplicates were removed, and obvious irrelevant studies were excluded based on title and abstract by the reviewers. Subsequently, full-text screening was performed. Studies were classified in the categories “exclude” if they clearly did not meet the eligibility criteria and “include” for studies with a database that

met the eligibility criteria. Where status of availability was unclear and to check whether a database was publicly available, and if so under which conditions, an e-mail was sent to the contact person of the study or database. Per protocol, we allowed a 2-week period for an e-mail response. The Google search engine, a Google Dataset Search, GitHub, and Figshare results were screened by the primary reviewers to directly identify relevant databases. A third reviewer (Y.H.) resolved discrepancies from the initial and full-text screenings.

TABLE 2. Continued

Endoscopy system brand	Imaging modality	Image, frame resolution (pixels)	File format	Source of ground truth annotations	
				Ground truth	Annotation performed by
Fujifilm	WL, FICE	1280 × 959	JPEG	Binary mask	Combination N-E
Olympus	NR	256 × 256	JPEG	Annotated file	Expert physician(s)
Fujifilm	NR	256 × 256	JPEG	Annotated file	Expert physician(s)
Olympus	WL	768 × 576	PNG	Binary mask	NR
NR	WL	500 × 574, 384 × 288	BMP	Binary mask	NR
NR	WL	NR	TIF	Binary mask	NR
NR	WL	1920 × 1080	TIF, BMP	Binary mask	NR
Olympus	WL, CE	NR	JPEG	Bounding box, binary mask	Combination N-E
NR	NR	NR	PNG	Annotated file, polygon-shaped mask	Expert physician(s)
Olympus, Pentax	NBI, WL	640 × 480	PNG	Bounding box	Expert physician(s)
Olympus, Pentax	WL	332 × 352 to 1921 × 1073	JPEG	Bounding box, binary mask	Combination J-E
NR	WL	224 × 224	JPG	Bounding box	Physician(s), experience not specified
NR	WL	560 × 480	JPG	Bounding box	Annotation tool
Olympus	NBI	720 × 576	JPEG	Binary mask	Combination J-E
Olympus	WL	720 × 576	JPEG	Annotated file	NR
Olympus	NBI, WL	854 × 480, 1920 × 1080	PNG	Binary mask	Combination N-E
Olympus	NBI	1126 × 900, 1920 × 1080	PNG	Bounding box	Combination N-E
NR	WL	NR	JPG	Bounding box, binary mask	Expert physician(s)
Olympus	WL	416 × 416	JPEG	Bounding box	Combination N-E

Database accessibility

The definition of data accessibility previously proposed by Khan et al¹⁰ was used for this review. Accessibility of databases was defined as open access, for which there were no requirements or minimum requirements for access (eg, creation of a free account); open access with barriers, which were databases fulfilling the theoretical criteria for open access but were inaccessible because of unpredictable reasons (eg, broken hyperlink); or regulated access, which required the fulfillment of formal agreements, approvals, or payment. For the open access category where the database access required an e-mail request, we again allowed a 2-week period for e-mail response. To assess to which extent the identified open access databases were already accessible to other AI researchers, we searched the citations of the identified open access databases using the Google search engine

(“database used for developing/training model,” “database used for external validation model”).

Database usability

No standardized checklist is currently available to assess the usability of imaging databases for AI research. Whether a database is useful for AI system developers is subjective but is closely associated with the quality and representativeness of that database. This can only be properly assessed if essential details of the data (ie, metadata) have been reported. Therefore, to map the potential usability of the included databases as best as possible, metadata of each database were extracted using a structured checklist for metadata reporting (Supplementary Table 1, available online at www.giejournal.org). This checklist was derived from the Checklist for Artificial Intelligence in Medical Imaging.¹¹

TABLE 3. Characteristics of open access databases focusing on polyp characterization

Database	No. of unique patients	No. of unique polyps	No. of images				No. of videos (frames)			
			Total	With polyp	Without polyp	Not annotated	Total	With polyp	Without polyp	Not annotated
CVC-HDClassif database ^{18,19}	NR	NR	1001*	901	0	100	0	0	0	0
ISIT-UMR Colonoscopy database ²³	NR	76	0	0	0	0	152 (NR)	152 (NR)	0	0
KUMC database ²⁴⁻²⁶	NR	76	0	0	0	0	76 (4955)	76 (4955)	0	0
PICCOLO Widefield database ³¹	48	71	0	0	0	0	39 (3433)	39 (3433)	0	0
POLAR database ³²	802	2069	3367§	3367§	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUN Colonoscopy video database ³⁴	99	100	0	0	0	0	113 (158,690)	100 (49,136)	13 (109,554)	0

HP, Hyperplastic polyp; HGD, high-grade dysplasia; LGA, low-grade adenoma; LGD: low-grade dysplasia; HGA, high-grade adenoma; TSA, traditional serrated adenoma; NR, not reported; WL, white-light endoscopy; NBI, Narrow-band imaging.

*788 training, 113 validation, 100 test images.

†Paris endoscopic classification.⁵²

‡NBI international colorectal endoscopic (NICE) classification.⁷

§2637 training images (1339 unique polyps), 730 test images (730 unique polyps).

TABLE 4. Characteristics of open databases focusing on quality of colonoscopy

Database	No. of unique patients	No. of unique polyps	Database of images and/or videos	No. of images				No. of videos (frames)			
				Total	Quality of bowel preparation	Cecal intubation landmarks	Rectal retroflexion	Total	Quality of bowel preparation	Cecal intubation landmarks	Rectal retroflexion
Cho et al 2019 ¹³	2*	NR	Videos	0	0	0	0	2 (3645)	0	2 (3645)	0
HyperKvasir ²²	NR	NR	Combination	4231	1794	1018	391	142 (NR)	65 (NR)	4 (NR)	0
Nerthus ³⁰	21	NR	Videos	0	0	0	0	21 (5525)	21 (5525)	0	0

BBPS, Boston Bowel Preparation Scale⁵⁹; NR, not reported; WL, white-light endoscopy.

*Complete database contains 112 patients; however, data only available for 2 patients.

Data extraction

Details from the included databases were extracted in duplicate using a prespecified data extraction form, including the items of the metadata checklist (Supplementary Tables 1 and 2, available online at www.giejournal.org). This extraction form was piloted on the first 10 databases (B.B.S.L.H. and K.J.N.).

RESULTS

Databases identified by literature and targeted search

The flowchart of the study and database selection process is shown in Figure 1. Of 3524 citations identified by the literature and targeted search, 354 were assessed to be eligible for full-text review. From these articles, 40

unique colonoscopic imaging databases were identified and assessed for further review.

Accessibility databases

Of the 40 unique databases, 22 were open access, from which raw data could be directly downloaded¹²⁻³⁵; 3 databases were open access with barriers, from which data could not be downloaded³⁶⁻³⁸; and 15 databases had regulated data access.^{2,3,39-51} Details and applications of the identified open access database category are described in Tables 1 to 4 and Figure 2. Details of the databases in the open access with barriers and regulated access categories are shown in Supplementary Table 3 (available online at www.giejournal.org).

From the 22 accessible databases, 19 databases focused on polyp detection, 16 on polyp localization, 11 on polyp segmentation, 6 on polyp characterization and 3 on quality

TABLE 3. Continued

Endoscopy system brand	Imaging modality	Image/frame resolution (pixel)s	File format	Histopathology, class, and distribution	Additional polyp characterization information
NR	WL	NR	TIF	613 adenomas; 288 non-adenomas	No
Olympus	NBI, WL	768 × 576	MP4	40 adenomas; 15 serrated adenomas; 21 HPs	Diagnosis endoscopist
NR	WL	224 × 224	JPG	—	38 adenomas; 38 HPs assigned by consensus 3 endoscopists
Olympus	NBI, WL	854 × 480, 1920 × 1080	PNG	8 invasive carcinomas; 12 HGDs; 1 low-grade dysplasia; 8 HPs, 41 nondysplastic lesions; 1 unknown	Size, morphology, [†] diagnosis endoscopist (NICE classification [‡])
Olympus	NBI	1126 × 900, 1920 × 1080	PNG	11 colorectal cancers; 1450 adenomas; 197 sessile serrated lesions; 327 HPs; 5 TSAs; 26 normal mucosa; 38 missing; 15 other	Size, morphology, [†] location, diagnosis endoscopist, confidence level
Olympus	WL	416 × 416	JPEG	1 invasive carcinoma: 4 high-grade adenomas: 2 TSAs; 4 sessile serrated lesions; 82 low-grade adenomas: 7 HPs	Size, morphology, [*] location

TABLE 4. Continued

Endoscopy system brand	Imaging modality	Image, frame resolution (pixels)	File format	Source of ground truth annotation	
				Classes and distribution	Annotation performed by
Olympus	WL	850 × 750	JPG, PNG	Insertion, withdrawal, turning point (ie, cecum) (no. of frames NR)	Expert physician(s)
Olympus, Pentax	NR	332 × 352 to 1921 × 1073	JPEG, AVI	BBPS 0-1: 646 images, 34 videos; BBPS 0-2: 1148 images, 31 videos; cecum (ileocecal valve or appendiceal orifice): 1009 images and 9 videos; ileum 9 images; rectum in retroflexion: 391 images	Combination junior physician and expert physician
Olympus	WL	720 × 576	JPEG	BBPS 0: 500 frames; BBPS 1: 2700 frames, BBPS 2: 975 frames; BBPS 3: 1350 frames	Expert physician(s)

of colonoscopy. Of the available databases, we were able to access 19,463 images, 1,204,772 video frames, and 952 videos from at least 2096 patients. Although the number of video frames registered in these databases was generally high, the median number of unique patients per database was 42 (Q1-Q3 range, 21-300) and the median number of unique polyps per database was 73.5 (Q1-Q3 range, 23.5-132) (Supplementary Figure 1 available online at www.giejournal.org). Six of 22 accessible databases reported on more than 100 different polyps and patients, and only 1 database included more than 100 different polyps and patients (POLAR database,³² with 802 patients and 2069 polyps). Where reported, in most databases the database acquisition was prospective (14/15; 93%). Of the 22 databases (73%), 6 databases (73%) were from a single center, 3 databases (14%) from multiple centers, and 2 databases (9%) did not report on the number of centers collecting data. Eleven databases were used multiple times by other

research groups to train or test their models, whereas 11 were used only once or not at all (range of use for training, 0-165; range of use for testing, 0-19) (Supplementary Table 4). The number of times open access databases were used by other research groups increased significantly in recent years Supplementary Figure 2.

Of the 19 databases focusing on polyp detection, localization, and/or segmentation, the annotation of polyps was performed by using a file name ($n = 3$), a rectangular bounding box enclosing the polyp ($n = 5$), a mask (ie, pixel-wise binary mask or polygon-shaped mask) ($n = 7$), or a combination of the previously mentioned methods ($n = 4$). Annotation of data was performed by a combination of nonexpert and expert physicians ($n = 5$), combination of a junior physician and expert ($n = 2$), expert physicians ($n = 5$), physicians with unspecified experience ($n = 1$), and an annotation tool ($n = 1$). For 6 databases (5/19; 26%) it was not clear who performed the annotation. For purposes of polyp characterization, 6

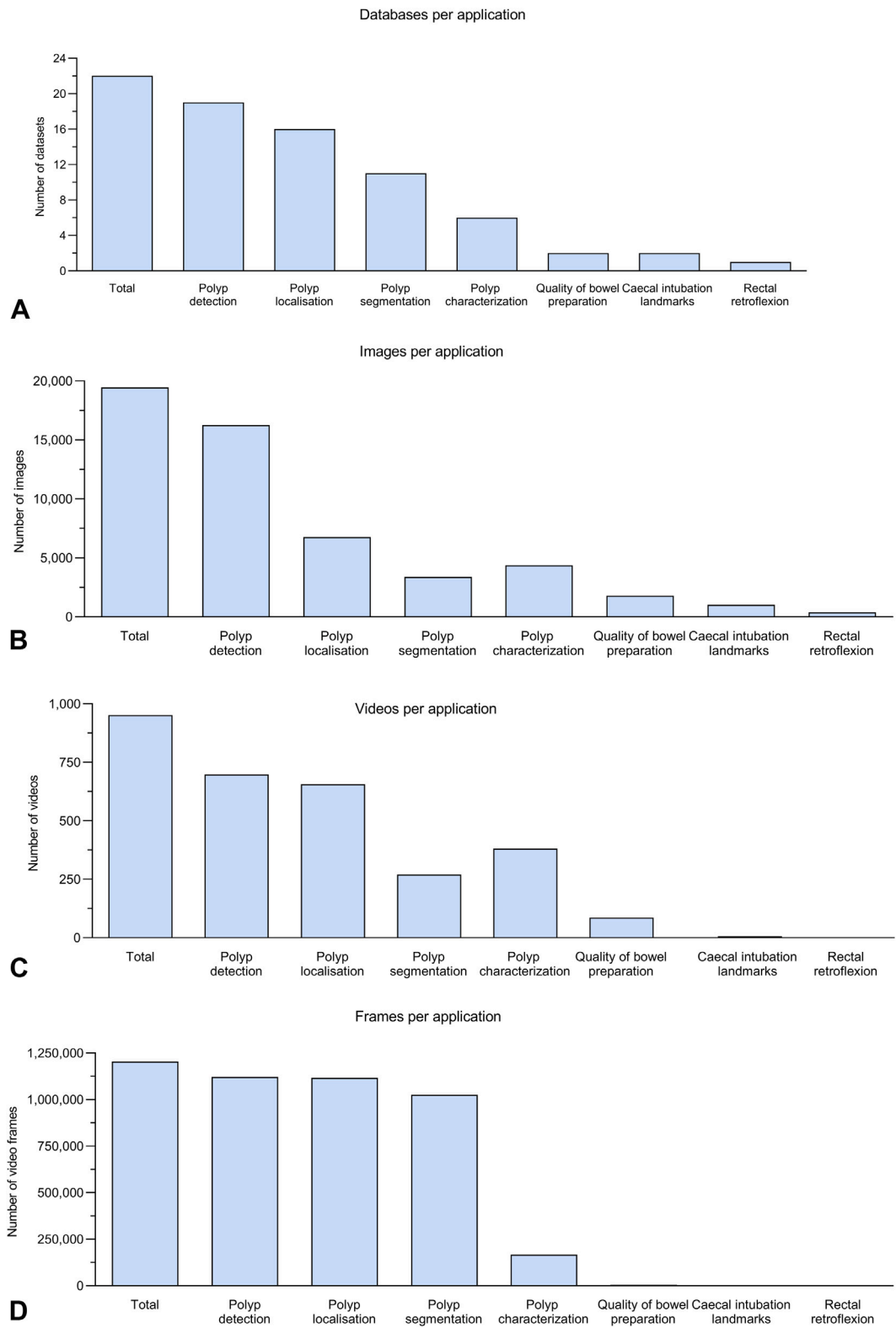


Figure 2. A, Databases per application. B, Images per application. C, Videos per application. D, Frames per application.

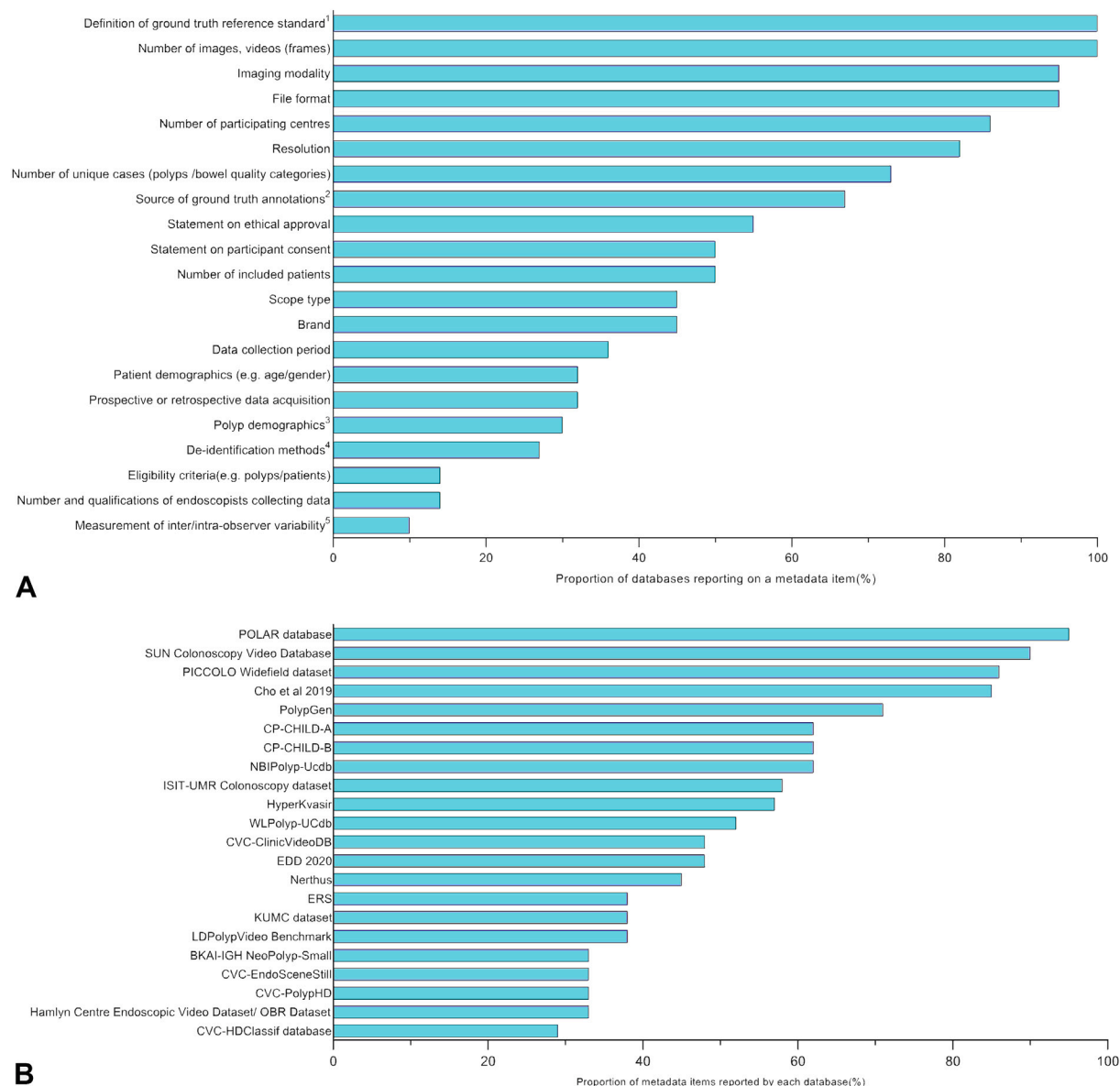


Figure 3. A, Proportion of databases reporting on each metadata item. **B**, Proportion of metadata items reported by each database (**B**). ¹Included detailed, specific definitions of the ground truth annotation, sufficient to allow replications. ²Source of ground truth annotations, qualifications, and preparation of annotators. Only applicable to polyp detection, polyp localization, polyp segmentation, and/or quality of colonoscopy databases. ³Describing methods by which data have been deidentified and how protected health information has been removed according to U.S. (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act), European (General Data Protection Regulation), or relevant laws. ⁴Measurement of inter- and intraobserver variability; methods to mitigate variability and/or resolve discrepancies. Only applicable to polyp detection, polyp localization, polyp segmentation, and/or quality of colonoscopy databases.

publicly available databases were available. The histopathologic annotation categories used were different between all 6 databases (number of annotation categories ranged from 2 to 8 categories). Some databases provided in addition to the histopathology outcome the optical diagnosis of the endoscopist, polyp size, polyp location, and/or polyp morphology. The 3 databases that reported on polyp morphology did so according to the Paris classification⁵²; of all polyps in these databases, the proportion of 0-I (I_p+I_s)

polyps ranged between 49% and 81%, whereas the proportion of 0-II (II_a+II_b) polyps ranged between 19% and 51% (only 2 II_b cases). Of the 3 publicly available databases focusing on quality of colonoscopy, the Nerthus database³⁰ focused purely on the quality of the bowel preparation; the Cho database¹³ on insertion, withdrawal, and turning point (ie, cecum); and the Hyperkvasir database²² quality of bowel preparation, cecal intubation landmarks, and the rectum in retroflexion.

TABLE 5. Metadata reporting (for each data item Y/N)

Database	1. Statement on participant consent	2. Statement on ethical approval	3. Data collection period	4. Prospective or retrospective data acquisition	5. Number of participating centers	6. Number and qualifications of endoscopists collecting data	7. Eligibility criteria (eg, polyps/patients)	8. De-identification methods ¹	9. Definition of ground truth reference standard ²	10. Source of ground truth annotations ³
BKAI-IGH NeoPolyp-Small ¹²	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
Cho et al 2019 ¹³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
CP-CHILD-A ¹⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
CP-CHILD-B ¹⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
CVC-ClinicVideoDB ^{15,16}	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
CVC-EndoSceneStill ¹⁷	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
CVC-HDClassif database ^{18,19}	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
CVC-PolypHD ¹⁷	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
EDD 2020 ²⁰	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
ERS ³⁵	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Hamlyn Centre Endoscopic Video Dataset ²¹	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
HyperKvasir ²²	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
ISIT-UMR Colonoscopy dataset ²³	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	NA
KUMC dataset ²⁴⁻²⁶	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
LDPolypVideo Benchmark ²⁷	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
NBIPolyp-Ucdb ²⁸	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
WLPolyp-UCdb ²⁹	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
Nerthus ³⁰	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
PICCOLO Widefield dataset ³¹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
POLAR database ³²	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
PolypGen ³³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
SUN Colonoscopy video database ³⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Proportion of databases reporting on these data items, %	50	55	36	32	86	14	14	27	100	67

NA, Not applicable.

¹Describing methods by which data have been deidentified and how protected health information has been removed according to U.S. (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act), European (General Data Protection Regulation), or relevant laws.²Included detailed, specific definitions of the ground truth annotation and classes, sufficient to allow replications.³Source of ground truth annotations, qualifications, and preparation of annotators. Only applicable to polyp detection, polyp localization, polyp segmentation, and/or quality of colonoscopy databases.⁴Measurement of inter- and intraobserver variability; methods to mitigate variability and/or resolve discrepancies. Only applicable to polyp detection, polyp localization, polyp segmentation, and/or quality of colonoscopy databases.

TABLE 5. Continued

11. Measure ment of inter/intra- observer variability ⁴	12. Patient demographics (eg, age/ gender)	13. Polyp demo graphics (eg, distri bution polyp histology type, size, and morpho logy)	14. Number of included patients	15. Number of unique cases (polyps /bowel quality catego ries)	16. Number of images, videos (frames)	17. Imaging modality	18. Brand endos copy sys tem	19. Scope type	20. File format	21. Resolu tion	Proportion of metadata items reported by this database (%)
No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	33
No	Yes	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	85
No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	62
No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	62
No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	48
No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	33
No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	29
No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	33
No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	48
No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	38
No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	33
Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	57
NA	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	58
No	No	No	No	Yes	yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	38
No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	38
No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	62
No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	52
No	No	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	45
No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	86
No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	95
No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	71
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	90
10	32	30	50	73	100	95	45	45	95	82	

Usability of open access databases

The reporting on 21 essential details of data (ie, metadata items) across all open access databases is shown in Figure 3 and Table 5. The proportion of metadata items reported by the included databases ranged from 29% to 95%. The recently

published SUN Colonoscopy video database³⁴ and POLAR database³² reported on, respectively, 90% and 95% of the included metadata items, whereas the CVC-HDClassif database^{15,16} only reported on 29% of them. Although technical details relating to file format, imaging modality, and

resolution were in general well reported (reported by >80% of all databases), patient and polyp characteristics and the annotation process were not completely reported across all databases (reported by <40% of all databases).

DISCUSSION

Large, high-quality, annotated colonoscopic imaging databases are urgently needed to develop and validate AI systems and to facilitate comparisons between systems. This review systematically identified the colonoscopic imaging databases that are currently publicly or, under certain conditions, available and reported on the completeness of their metadata. From our search of the scientific literature and online database search engines, we identified 22 unique publicly available colonoscopic imaging databases that contained 19,463 images, 1,204,772 video frames, and 952 videos. Most databases focused on polyp detection, localization, and/or segmentation, whereas only a small number focused on polyp characterization and quality of colonoscopy.

Visibility of the current accessible AI databases appears to be an issue. Although our review identified 22 open access databases, only 11 of these databases have been used multiple times by other researchers to develop, train, or benchmark their AI system (eg, HyperKvasir²² and CVC-EndoScenestill¹⁷ databases). This difference in use might have led to lost research opportunities and might have resulted in selection bias because of an overuse of a few potentially nonrepresentative databases. In this regard, it would be useful to improve their visibility, for example by establishing a website with links to all databases to be downloaded. Our study provides an initial point of access that will improve their visibility. Further considerations in this regard include a greater clarity around the accessibility of the imaging data of studies. Numerous authors were e-mailed because they did not mention explicitly in their article whether their database was accessible. As for the future, (medical) journals should recommend authors to report on data accessibility.

Publicly available databases can be a powerful enabler to development of AI systems, allowing studies to benchmark their performance in a consistent manner. Whether a database is useful for AI system developers is subjective but is closely associated with the quality and representativeness of that database. Important in this respect is that it should be possible to verify these facets of the database. Therefore, to map the potential usability of the included databases as best as possible, this review extracted 21 essential details (ie, metadata) of each database using a self-developed checklist derived from the Checklist for Artificial Intelligence in Medical Imaging. According to this checklist, this review demonstrated that although technical details were in general well reported, clinical details and annotation details, like measurements of interobserver

variability, were under-reported in almost all databases. In about half of the databases, it was not clear what type of patients and polyps were involved and whether the data were retrospectively or prospectively collected. This missing information might limit the appropriate use of the available data, because it is not possible to evaluate whether there is appropriate representation of certain patients and polyps within the database.

Data from certain patients and polyp categories might be more difficult to collect because of varieties or rare occurrence in clinical practice. These less frequently present categories might actually be even more relevant for development of AI systems. This is the case, for instance, for flat polyps (types 0-IIb and 0-IIc). Those polyp types were under-represented in the 3 databases reporting on polyp morphology,^{31,32,34} whereas AI systems would especially be useful for the detection of these flat polyps. The same might be true for the diminutive hyperplastic polyps in the rectosigmoid. In daily practice, endoscopists usually leave them in situ, and therefore it is likely that these lesions are under-represented in the current databases focusing on polyp characterization. This potentially inappropriate representation of the targeted research on patients or polyps, which cannot be verified because of nonreporting of metadata, limits the ability of researchers to assess the usability of these data. In addition to nonreporting limiting the appropriate use of data, obtaining generalizable data from most of the current databases is also an issue. Although the number of image frames registered in these databases was generally high, almost all databases included less than 100 different polyps and patients.

As stated earlier, databases in this review reported few details regarding the annotation processes. Details about the number of annotators, annotators' expertise, and consensus process used for discrepancies among annotators were missing in approximately 40% of the included databases. Although these might be unimportant from a technical perspective, they are crucial for clinical interpretation. Many assumptions are made during annotation of data. The incomplete reporting on annotation details may again lead to inappropriate use of data, which in turn may lead to biased study results. Therefore, providing more details regarding the annotation process is paramount because it carries implications for any model trained with these annotations. The POLAR database,³² SUN Colonoscopy video database,³⁴ and PICCOLO Wide-field database³¹ are examples of databases (consisting of, respectively, 2069, 100, and 71 unique polyps) in which a detailed description of polyps and patients with detailed annotation is present. They provide for each polyp a bounding box or binary mask, the histopathology outcome, polyp size, morphology, and/or location. Because these databases report on more of these important characteristics, future users can evaluate better whether they can use these databases for their research.

As described, reporting on essential details of data by database providers is necessary for database consumers to be sufficiently well informed, select appropriate databases for their tasks, and avoid unintentional misuse. However, as this review shows, a wide variety in the proportion of metadata items is reported by each database (29%-95%). Clearly, there are challenges associated with providing details of the collected data. With the inclusion of detailed metadata, which increases the chance of traceability of patient information, privacy becomes a concern. Also, the investment of time, skill, and money to collect, annotate, and store data generates substantial value to data. Therefore, it is logical that such a database is unlikely to be freely available. However, privacy and investment concerns should be balanced with the potential harm implicated by widespread use of potentially unrepresentative data. In addition, it is difficult to create a high-quality, diverse database on your own, in particular for conditions with a low prevalence like early colorectal cancer. Therefore, medical professionals and technicians should set up an online collaborative registry to collect a high-quality and diverse database. To use these data for AI system development, people can pay a small fee, include agreement, or collect data for the registry. The risk of traceability of data in this registry could be minimized by compliance with widely adopted guidelines for sharing raw clinical trial data.^{53,54}

To the best of our knowledge, this is the largest review to curate a comprehensive list of colonoscopic imaging databases that are publicly or under certain conditions available. A key feature of this review is the broad search strategy to include scientific and online search engines, including those specifically targeting databases. This method proves that not all relevant databases are identified using scientific search engines alone.

We recognize there are several limitations to our study. The searches were run in February 2022. Because of the rapid influx of AI research studies and the probable delays between studies being completed and becoming visible online, we may have missed the latest available databases. Second, because our aim was specifically targeted toward identifying AI-related studies describing colonoscopic imaging databases, we might have missed databases in non-AI-related studies (eg, stored images in a detection study comparing 2 imaging techniques). We limited our search to this type of study to maximize the chance of appropriately annotated data. However, colonoscopic imaging data available in non-AI-related imaging studies might be of value as well. Last, some databases with open access might not have been identified if no statements were made regarding availability. Where status of availability was unclear, we took reasonable measures to access their source. We e-mailed the contact person of the database and allowed a 2-week period for response. Still, we may have missed open access databases, as often we did not receive a response (79%; 88/111 e-mails) or were unable to identify a correct e-mail address (5%; 6/111). However, we did not

receive any additional responses in the 2 weeks after the 2-week response time deadline.

In conclusion, this review provides greater insight into the publicly available colonoscopic imaging databases as resources for AI research. The incomplete reporting of metadata of the current databases limits the appropriate use of accessible data, because it is important to be able to evaluate whether there is appropriate annotation and representation of certain patients and polyps within the database. Improved visibility and reporting of metadata of these and future databases would enable researchers to use appropriate databases for their needs. This potentially enhances the quality of future AI research in colonoscopy and ultimately the quality of colonoscopy in daily practice.

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APPENDIX 1. DATABASE DEFINITIONS

A database was classified as a polyp detection dataset if the ground truth consisted of file names or file (eg, Excel file) that indicated whether there was a polyp visible on each image or video. In case of a polyp localization database, the ground truth had to consist of a specification of the area in which a polyp was visible within an image or video. This could have been done, for example, by means of a bounding box, which is a 2-dimensional rectangle enclosing the polyp. To classify a database as a polyp segmentation database, for the ground truth a binary mask had to be created of the polyp within the image or video (ie, pixel-wise mask). A database was classified as a characterization database if the ground truth consisted of annotated characterization categories (eg, for polyp characterization, the histologic subtype diagnosed by a pathologist for bowel preparation score, eg, the Boston Bowel Preparation Scale [see [reference 1](#) in the Supplementary References] scored by an endoscopist).

APPENDIX 2. SEARCH STRATEGY

The search performed by Faridi van Etten-Jamaludin (Amsterdam UMC, Medical Library AMC) on February 14, 2022.

PubMed, Embase (Ovid)	Before deduplication	After deduplication
Total	4360	3470

PubMed: 2392 hits

("Computing Methodologies"[MAJR] OR neural network*[tiab] OR artificial intelligence[tiab] OR computer aided[tiab] OR computational method*[tiab] OR machine learning[tiab]) AND ("Diagnostic Imaging"[Mesh] OR "diagnostic imaging" [Subheading] OR "Video Recording"[Mesh] OR imaging[tiab] OR image*[tiab] OR video*[tiab]) AND ("Colonoscopy"[Mesh] OR "Colonic Polyps"[MAJR] OR "Colorectal Neoplasms"[MAJR] OR colonoscop*[tiab] OR endoscop*[tiab] OR bowel preparation*[tiab] OR cecal intubation[tiab] OR caecal intubation[tiab]) AND ("Algorithms"[Mesh] OR dataset*[tiab] OR database*[tiab] OR data file*[tiab] OR data collection*[tiab] OR real-time image recognition system*[tiab] OR textural surface pattern*[tiab] OR algorithm*[tiab] OR frame*[tiab] OR bowel preparation*[tiab])

EMBASE (OVID): 1968 hits

No.	Searches	Results
1	exp machine learning/ or artificial intelligence/ or computer analysis/ or (neural network* or artificial intelligence or computer aided or computational method* or machine learning).ti,ab,kw.	503,749
2	diagnostic imaging/ or computer assisted diagnosis/ or (imaging or image* or video*).ti,ab,kw.	2,127,922
3	exp colonoscopy/ or exp colon polyp/ or colorectal polyp/ or exp colorectal tumor/ or (colonoscop* or endoscop* or bowel preparation* or cecal intubation or caecal intubation).ti,ab,kw.	477,944
4	exp algorithm/ or image analysis/ or (dataset* or database* or data file* or real-time or pattern* or algorithm*).ti,ab,kw.	3,667,637
5	(data adj3 (set* or collect*)).ti,ab,kw.	739,279
6	4 or 5	4,241,788
7	1 and 2 and 3 and 6	1968

Google search engine, a Google Dataset Search: 296 hits

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(computer or computing or artificial intelligence or neural networks) AND (image or imaging or video* or vision*) AND (dataset* or database* or data file* or data collection*) AND (polyp* or endoscopy or colonoscopy or colorectal)

Github and Figshare:

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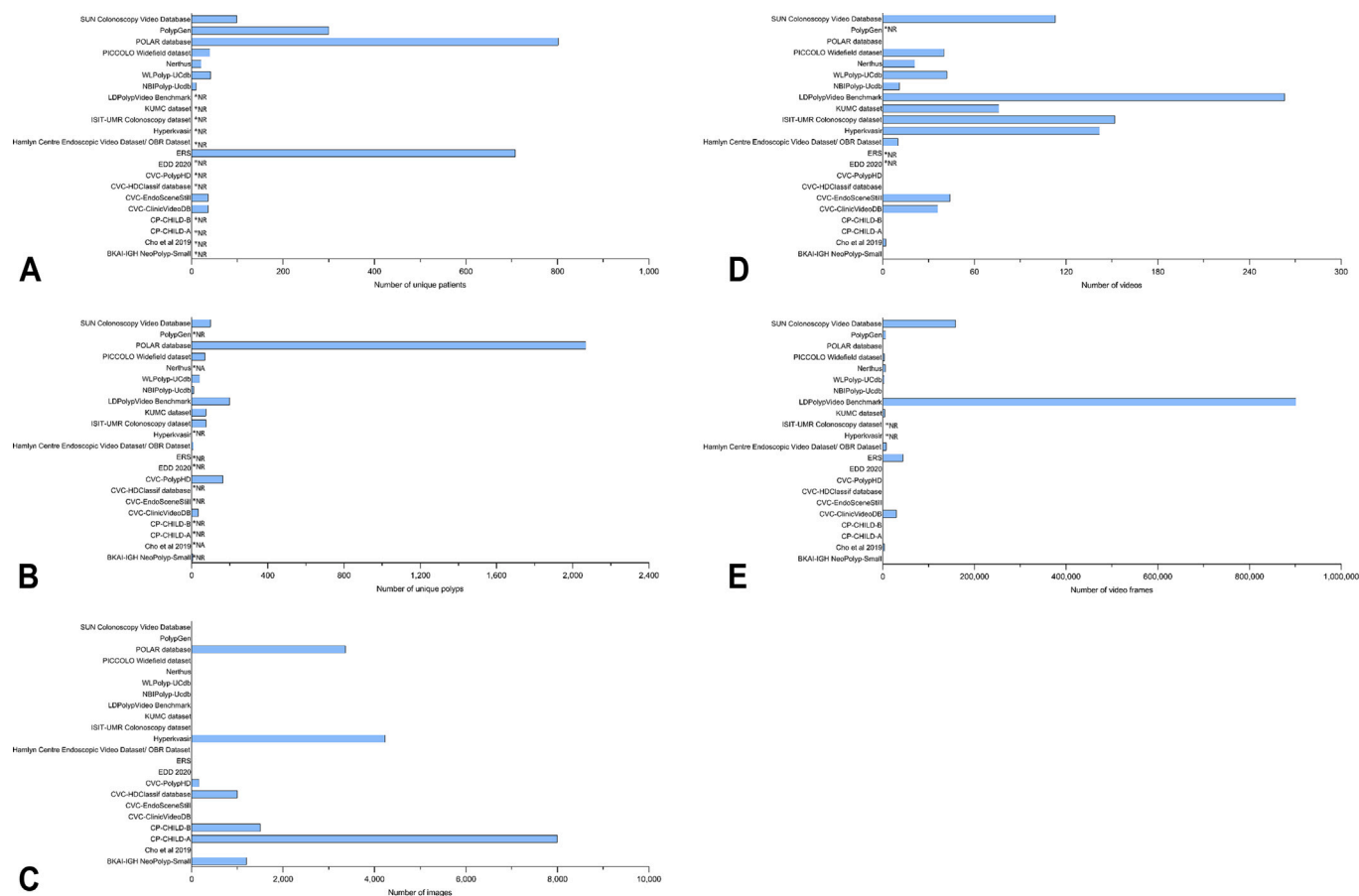
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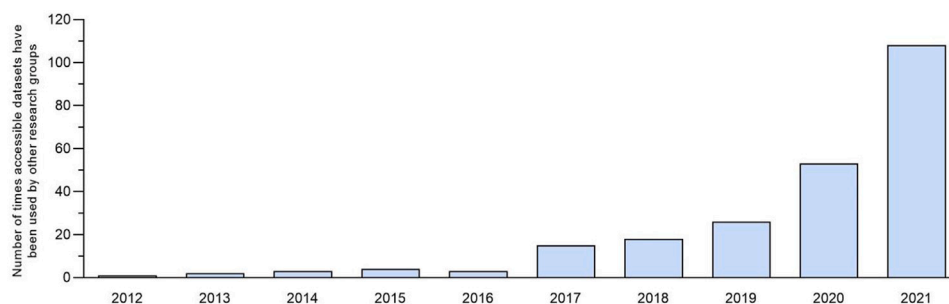
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Supplementary Figure 1. **A**, Number of unique patients per database. **B**, Number of unique polyps per databases. **C**, Images per database. **D**, Videos per database. **E**, Video frames per database. *NA*, Not applicable; *NR*, not reported.



Supplementary Figure 2. Use of publicly available databases by other artificial intelligence research groups.

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE 1. Metadata reporting checklist of colonoscopic imaging databases for artificial intelligence research

No.	Item	Derived from CLAIM checklist
1.	Statement on participant consent.	New item
2.	Statement on ethical approval.	New item
3.	Data collection period.	New item
4.	Prospective or retrospective data acquisition.	CLAIM item 5
5.	Number of participating centers.	New item
6.	Number and qualifications of endoscopists collecting data.	New item
7.	Eligibility criteria (eg, polyps/patients).	CLAIM item 5
8.	Deidentification methods: Describing methods by which data have been deidentified and how protected health information has been removed according to U.S. (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act), European (General Data Protection Regulation), or relevant laws.	CLAIM item 12
9.	Definition of ground truth reference standard: Included detailed, specific definitions of the ground truth annotation and classes, sufficient to allow replications.	CLAIM item 14
10.	Source of ground truth annotations, qualifications and preparation of annotators. Only applicable to polyp detection, polyp localization, polyp segmentation, and/or quality of colonoscopy databases.	CLAIM item 16
11.	Measurement of inter- and intraobserver variability: Methods to mitigate variability and/or resolve discrepancies. Only applicable to polyp detection, polyp localization, polyp segmentation, and/or quality of colonoscopy databases.	CLAIM item 18
12.	Patient demographics (eg, age/gender).	CLAIM item 34
13.	Polyp demographics (eg, distribution polyp histology type, size, and morphology).	CLAIM item 34
14.	Number of included patients.	CLAIM item 34
15.	Number of unique cases (polyps /bowel quality categories).	CLAIM item 34
16.	Number of images and videos (frames).	CLAIM item 34
17.	Imaging modality.	New item
18.	Brand endoscopy system.	New item
19.	Scope type.	New item
20.	File format.	New item
21.	Resolution.	New item

CLAIM, Checklist for Artificial Intelligence in Medical Imaging.

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE 2. Data extraction form

No.	Items
1.	Database (title).
2.	Original reference database (author, journal, and year).
3.	Other references that used this database (authors and year).
4.	Access type (open access/open access with barriers, regulated access).
5.	If applicable: Which barriers?
6.	Link to database.
7.	If applicable: E-mail request.
8.	If applicable: E-mail response.
9.	Country of origin.
10.	Database publication date.
11.	Data collection period.
12.	Statement on participant consent.
13.	Statement on ethical approval.
14.	Setting data acquisition (prospective/retrospective).
15.	Number of centers collecting data.
16.	Number of endoscopists collecting data.
17.	Age patients (mean \pm standard deviation).
18.	Gender (M/F).
19.	Inclusion criteria.
20.	Exclusion criteria.
21.	Deidentification methods: Describing methods by which data have been deidentified and how protected health information has been removed according to U.S. (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act), European (General Data Protection Regulation), or relevant laws.
22.	Definition of ground truth reference standard: Included detailed, specific definitions of the ground truth annotation, sufficient to allow replications.
23.	Measurement of inter- and intraobserver variability: Methods to mitigate variability and/or resolve discrepancies. Only applicable to polyp detection, polyp localization, polyp segmentation, and/or quality of colonoscopy databases.
24.	Database of images (Y/N).
25.	If applicable: Number of images.
26.	If applicable: Number of included unique patients.
27.	If applicable: Number of included unique polyps.
28.	If applicable: Number of images regarding polyps.
29.	If applicable: Number of images regarding quality.
30.	Image file format (eg, TIF, jpg, png).
31.	Image resolution (min w \times h – max w \times h).
32.	Brand and type of scope.
33.	Imaging modality (eg, narrow-band imaging/high-definition white-light endoscopy).
34.	Additional unlabeled images? (Y/N).
35.	If applicable: Number of unlabeled images.

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SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE 2. Continued

No.	Items
36.	Database of videos (Y/N).
37.	Number of videos.
38.	Number of frames in video.
39.	If applicable: Number of included unique patients.
40.	If applicable: Number of included unique polyps.
41.	If applicable: Number of videos regarding polyps.
42.	If applicable: Number of videos regarding quality.
43.	Video file format (eg, .mov/.avi).
44.	Video resolution (min w × h – max w × h).
45.	Brand and type of scope.
46.	Imaging modality (eg, narrow-band imaging/high-definition white-light endoscopy).
47.	Additional unlabeled videos? (Y/N).
48.	If applicable: Number of unlabeled videos.
49.	Findings: Polyp detection (Y/N).
50.	Type of detection (eg, file name bounding box, binary mask).
51.	Ground truth (eg, expert).
52.	Number of polyps.
53.	Findings: Polyp localization (Y/N) .
54.	Type of localization (eg, bounding box, binary mask).
55.	Ground truth (eg, expert).
56.	Number of polyps.
57.	Findings: Polyp segmentation (Y/N).
58.	Type of segmentation (eg, binary mask).
59.	Ground truth (eg, expert).
60.	Number of polyps.
61.	Findings: Polyp characterization (Y/N).
62.	Number of labels/classes .
63.	Names of labels/classes.
64.	Ground truth (eg, histopathology).
65.	Endoscopist diagnosis (Y/N).
66.	Findings: Bowel preparation (Y/N).
67.	Type of bowel preparation scale (Boston Bowel Preparation Score, Ottawa, Aronchik).
68.	Number of labels/classes.
69.	Names of labels/classes.
70.	Ground truth (eg, expert).
71.	Ground truth number of assessor.
72.	Number of cases (each class).
73.	Findings: Cecal intubation landmarks (Y/N).
74.	Number of labels/classes.
75.	Names of labels/classes.
76.	Ground truth (eg, expert).
77.	Number of cases.
78.	Findings: Rectum retroflexion (Y/N).
79.	Ground truth (eg, expert).
	Number of cases.

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE 3. Characteristics of open access with barriers and regulated access Database

Database	Country of origin	Publication year	Access type	Type of regulations	Data access details
ACP-ColonDB530 ²	Hong Kong	2020	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Gong 2020 ³	China	2020	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Krenzer 2022 ⁴	Germany	2022	Open access with barriers	Statement that data are available but no response to request	E-mail request corresponding author
Lee 2020 ⁵	Korea	2020	Regulated	Institutional or ethical approval	E-mail request corresponding author
Lee 2022 ⁶	USA	2022	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Low 2021 ⁷	Canada	2021	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Lui 2019 ⁸	Hongkong	2019	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
NNUC database ⁹	China	2016	Open access with barriers	Untraceable download link because of chinese website	http://math.nenu.edu.cn/nnucdb/
Polydeep database (IISGS) ¹⁰	Spain	2021	Open access with barriers	E-mail response data will soon be publicly available	https://www.iisgaliciasur.es/home/biobank-iisgs
Renner 2018 ¹¹	Germany	2018	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Repici 2020 ¹²	Italy	2020	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Saito 2021 ¹³	Japan	2021	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Sinonquel 2021 ¹⁴	Belgium	2021	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Urban 2018 ¹⁵	USA	2018	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Wang 2018 ¹⁶	China	2018	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Wang 2019 ¹⁷	China	2019	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Wang 2020 ¹⁸	China	2020	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author
Yamada 2019 ¹⁹	Japan	2019	Regulated	Formal agreement	E-mail request corresponding author

BP, Bowel preparation; CI, linked color imaging; PC, polyp classification; PD, polyp detection; PL, polyp localization; PS, polyp segmentation; NR, not reported.

²Training data.

¹Test data.

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE 3. Continued

Data application	No. of images			No. of videos (frames)		
	Total	Polyp annotation	Quality of colonoscopy annotation	Total	Polyp annotation	Quality of colonoscopy annotation
PD, PL, PC	0	0	0	NR (188,600),* NR (33,346)†	NR (77,153),* NR (13,973)†	0
Cecal landmarks	21,428*	0	21,428*	236 (17,564)	0	236 (17,564)
PD, PL	0	0	0	NR (346,165)	NR (346,165)	0 (0)
PD, PL, PC	420,* 1338†	420,* 1338†	0	181 (80,575),* 22 (351,122)†	181 (80,575),* 22 (351,122)†	0
BP	73,304*	0	73,304*	321 (NR)†	0	321 (NR)†
CI, BP	0	0	0	35 (13,522)	0	35 (13,522)
PC	8000,* 76†	8000,* 76†	0	0	0	0
PD, PL, PS	800	800	0	0	0	0
PD, PL, PC	0	0	0	330 (28,576)	330 (28,576)	0
	0	0	0	1,315 (NR)	1054 (NR)	0
PD, PL, PC	893,* 186†	893,* 186†	0	0	0	0
PD, PL	0	0	0	840 (NR)*	840 (NR)*	0
Anatomic segment classification	9995,* 5121†	0	9995,* 5121†	0	0	0
PD, PL, PC	0	0	0	329 (131,619)*	329 (131,619)*	0
PD, PL	9313*	4760*	0	9 (44,947),* 11 (NR)†	9 (44,947),* 11 (NR)†	0
PD, PL, PC	5545,* 27,113†	3634,* 5541†	0	192 (1,133,397)†	192 (1,133,397)†	0
PD, PL, BP	0	0	0	1058 (NR)	0	1058 (NR)
PD, PL, BP	0	0	0	962 (NR)	0	962 (NR)
PD, PL	4087,* 4840†	1943,* 752†	0	NR (134,874)*	NR (134,874)*	0

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE 4. Database citations of open access datasets

Database	No. of database citations (impact)		
	Cited	Used for training and/or internal validation	Used for external validation/testing
BKAI-IGH NeoPolyp-Small ²⁰	3	0	0
Cho ²¹	4	0	0
CP-CHILD-A ²²	20	1 ²³	0
CP-CHILD-B ²²	20	0	1 ²³
CVC-ClinicVideoDB ^{24,25}	27	16 ²⁶⁻⁴¹	4 ⁴²⁻⁴⁵
CVC-EndoSceneStill ⁴⁶⁻⁴⁸	772	165 ^{2,4,24,27-37,39,40,42-45,49-193}	19 ^{24,32,34,50,51,63,73,79,82,99,108,116,174,194-199}
CVC-HDClassif database ^{200,201}	0	0	0
CVC-PolypHD ⁴⁶	131	3 ^{4,39,40}	0
EDD 2020 ²⁰²	30	3 ^{4,130,203}	0
ERS ²⁰⁴	0	0	0
Hamlyn Centre Endoscopic Video Dataset ²⁰⁵	43	4 ^{117,206-208}	1 ²⁰⁹
HyperKvasir ²¹⁰⁻²¹²	474	107 ^{4,37,58-60,64,81,84,88,95,96,105,126,128-130,134,136-153,155,156-169,171,174-176,186,191,213-263}	4 ^{135,145,197,264}
ISIT-UMR Colonoscopy dataset ²⁶⁵	107	28 ^{55,66,87,90,94,106,120,133,199,266-284}	1 ²²⁸
KUMC dataset ^{94,131,132}	30	2 ^{192,280}	0
LDPolypVideo Benchmark ²⁸⁵	0	0	0
NBIPolyp-Ucdb ²⁸⁶	2	0	0
WLPolyp-UCdb ¹⁹⁵	23	0	0
Nerthus ²⁸⁷	53	1 ⁹⁵	1 ²⁸⁸
PICCOLO Widefield dataset ²⁸⁹	11	2 ^{129,290}	0
POLAR database ²⁹¹	0	0	0
PolypGen ²⁹²	7	6 ^{128,168,257,264,293,294}	0
SUN Colonoscopy video database ²⁹⁵	48	5 ^{4,168,198,228,290}	1 ²⁹⁶