Can Clinic-Level Differences in Nodule Evaluation Be Incorporated to Improve Lung Cancer Prediction Accuracy?



STUDY DESIGN

Retrospective study of indeterminate pulmonary nodules using data from six sites of various clinical settings

| Setting | N= | Cancer prevalence (%) |
|--|-----|--------------------------|
| Pulmonary Nodule Clinic | 374 | 42 |
| Outpatient Thoracic Surgery Clinic | 553 | 73 |
| Inpatient Surgical Resection | 474 | 90 |



RESULTS

- The Thoracic Research Evaluation and Treatment (TREAT) 2.0 model was better able to distinguish between cancerous and benign nodules than the:
 - ° TREAT 1.0 model (AUC 0.80)
 - Mayo Clinic model (AUC 0.72)
 - Herder model (AUC 0.73)
 - ° Brock model (AUC 0.69)

The TREAT 2.0 model predicted the probability of lung cancer in a high cancer prevalence clinical setting with high accuracy and good calibration better than currently existing models, and it may improve time to diagnosis for lung cancer if implemented in pulmonology and thoracic surgery clinics.

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