

Exploring the Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Medicine

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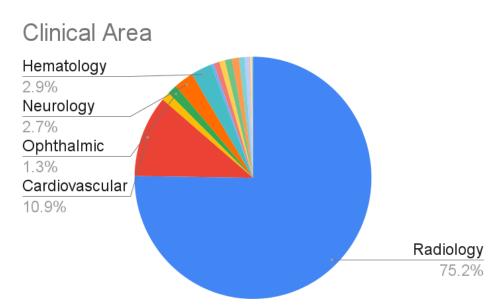


Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Long history of Al innovation in health care and research

FDA has reviewed and authorized almost 750 Al-powered decision support apps and algorithms across many different fields of medicine

30% of radiology practices that responded to a survey indicated that they had adopted AI by 2020





What is Generative AI?



Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Human language has rules, patterns, and is not random, making it predictable.

Generative AI is a set of algorithms, capable of generating seemingly new, realistic content — such as text, images, video, or music — from examples.

The most powerful generative Al algorithms are built on top of models that are trained on a vast quantity of data to identify underlying patterns for a wide range of tasks.

GPT-4 is the latest release of GPT class of models, a large-scale, multimodal model which can accept image and text inputs and produce text and image outputs.



Create a diagram of the heart's conduction system and a QRS complex to teach a medical student about cardiac electrophysiology

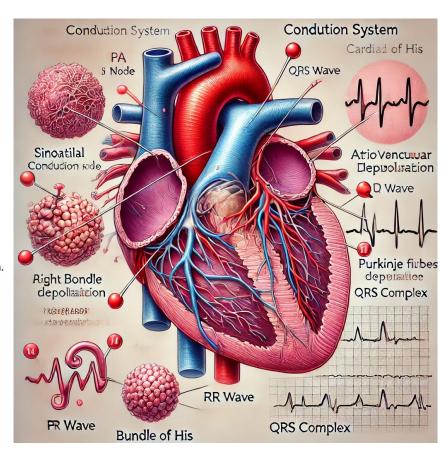
To help explain cardiac electrophysiology to a medical student, we'll diagram both the heart's conduction system and the QRS complex. I'll first walk through the main points of each, and then generate a diagram.

1. Heart's Conduction System

- Sinoatrial (SA) Node: The natural pacemaker of the heart, located in the right atrium. It generates electrical impulses that spread through the atria.
- Atrioventricular (AV) Node: Located between the atria and ventricles. It slows down the
 electrical signal before sending it to the ventricles.
- Bundle of His: Conducts the electrical signal from the AV node to the ventricles.
- Right and Left Bundle Branches: Conduct the signal to the right and left ventricles.
- · Purkinje Fibers: Spread the electrical signal throughout the ventricles, leading to contraction.

2. QRS Complex

- Represents ventricular depolarization, which triggers ventricular contraction.
- P wave: Represents atrial depolarization.
- Q wave: Small downward deflection after the P wave.
- R wave: The major upward deflection representing the bulk of ventricular depolarization.
- S wave: Small downward deflection following the R wave.









Copilot

The image you provided shows a **crash cart tray**, which contains essential medications and supplies used during emergency situations, such as cardiac arrests, code blue scenarios, intubation, anaphylaxis, and arrhythmias. Let's take a closer look at some of the medications commonly found in a crash cart:

1. Epinephrine (Epi):

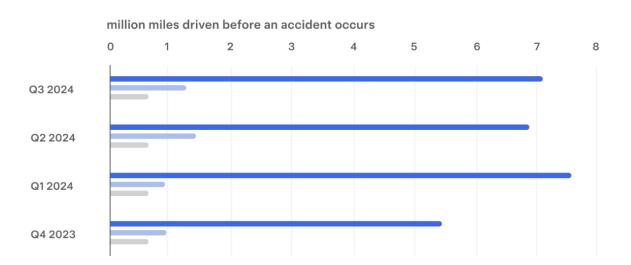
- Purpose: Epinephrine is the primary medication used during a code blue. It serves several critical functions:
 - Restarting the heart.
 - Improving heart muscle contractility.
 - Increasing cardiac output.
- Indications: Used in situations like Pulseless Electrical Activity (PEA), asystole, ventricular fibrillation (V-fib), pulseless ventricular tachycardia (V-tach), anaphylaxis, and status asthmaticus.
- · Side Effects: Hypertension, nervousness, restlessness, tachycardia, and chest pain.
- Dosing: Two different concentrations exist:
 - Epinephrine 1:10,000: Commonly used for cardiac arrest and asystole.
 - Epinephrine 1:1000: Used for anaphylaxis (intramuscular administration only due to high concentration).

2. Amiodarone:

- Purpose: Used to treat ventricular fibrillation (VF) and ventricular tachycardia (VT) during cardiac arrest.
- · Indications: Typically administered after epinephrine and vasopressin have failed to convert VF/VT.

Miles Driven Per One Accident

- Tesla vehicles using Autopilot technology
- Tesla vehicles not using Autopilot technology
- United States average





Al as a Diagnostician



Large Language Models Outperform MDs on Diagnosis

*Under Controlled Circumstances

- Al is more accurate than human MDs at top diagnosis and differentials
- Even though ChatGPT was not trained for diagnosis, it has similar performance to purpose-built diagnostic AI systems
- Al diagnostic accuracy has improved by
 >15% in the past few months alone

Research Letter

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Accuracy of a Generative Artificial Intelligence Model in a Complex Diagnostic Challenge

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PERSPECTIVE

Use of GPT-4 to Diagnose Complex Clinical Cases

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Clinical Reasoning of a Generative Artificial Intelligence Model Compared With Physicians

Stephanie Cabral, MD¹; Daniel Restrepo, MD²; Zahir Kanjee, MD, MPH¹; et al

Superhuman performance of a large language model on the reasoning tasks of a physician

Peter G. Brodeur, Thomas A. Buckley, +15 authors Adam Rodman • Published 14 December 2024 • Medicine, Computer Science



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- Physicians using Al diagnose better than those using conventional resources
- Al by itself is better than physicians using Al
- MDs anchored to their initial diagnoses, even when the AI suggested alternatives with better reasoning
- MDs used ChatGPT for targeted questions, failing to exploit its ability to analyze entire case histories



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GPT-4 assistance for improvement of physician performance on patient care tasks: a randomized controlled trial

Towards Accurate Differential Diagnosis with Large Language Models

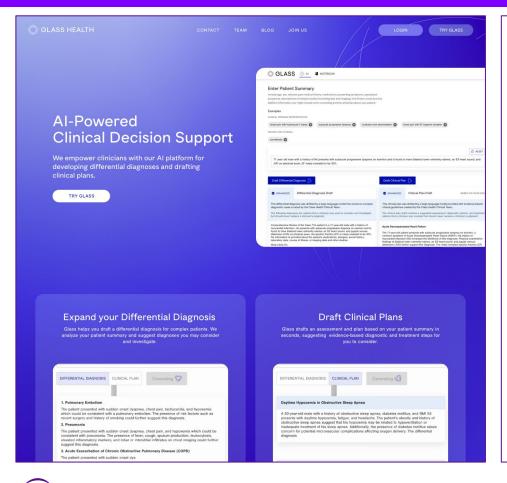
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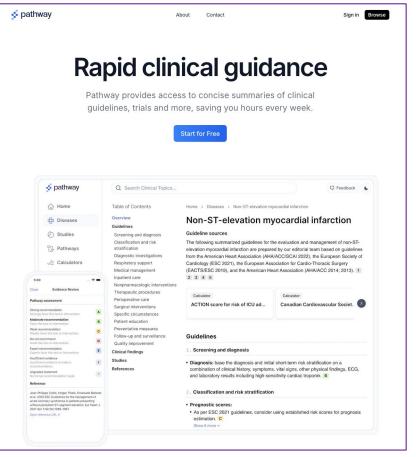
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Large Language Model Influence on Diagnostic Reasoning

A Randomized Clinical Trial







Al as a Patient Communicator



Al Answering Patient Questions

- Patients prefer Al-generated text
- Al responses perceived as being more empathic, friendlier
- Human brevity viewed negatively by patients
- Al responses rated as higher quality, more accurate, safer
- Al can meet reading level and health literacy needs of patients more effectively and consistently



JAMA Internal Medicine | Original Investigation

Comparing Physician and Artificial Intelligence Chatbot Responses to Patient Questions Posted to a Public Social Media Forum

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JAMA Oncology | Brief Report

Physician and Artificial Intelligence Chatbot Responses to Cancer Questions From Social Media

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Putting ChatGPT's Medical Advice to the (Turing) Test: Survey Study

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Perspectives on Artificial Intelligence-Generated Responses to Patient Messages

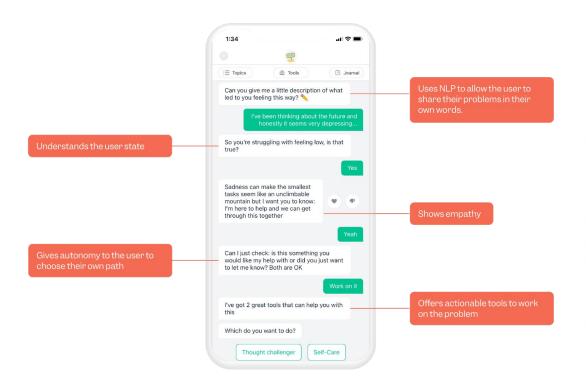
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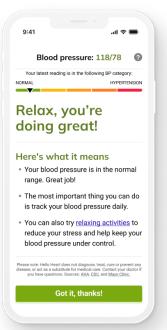


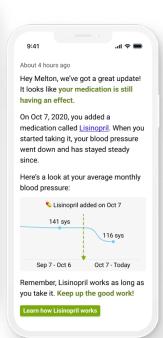
"Doctor ChatGPT, Can You Help Me?" The Patient's Perspective: Cross-Sectional Study

Jonas Armbruster¹ 0; Florian Bussmann¹ 0; Catharina Rothhaas¹ 0; Nadine Titze¹ 0; Paul Alfred Grützner¹ 0; Holger Freischmidt¹ 0

Patient-Facing Chronic Disease Management at Scale







https://woebothealth.com/



https://www.helloheart.com

Foundation Model

Safety

Research

Company



Keisha **CHF Discharge**

- Rating by Nurses: 82%
- Style: Direct



Diane CKD Chronic Care

- Rating by Nurses: 80%
- Style: Engaging



Wyatt

- CKD Chronic Care
- Rating by Nurses: 86%
- Style: Engaging



Nancy

- Pre-Op Colonoscopy
- Rating by Nurses: 88%
- Style: Direct

We don't believe Generative AI is





Jasmine

- Pre-Op Colonoscopy
- 🖭 Rating by Nurses: 85%
- > Style: Engaging



Nina

- HRT Follow Up
- Rating by Nurses: 85%
- M Style: Engaging



Al as a Scribe

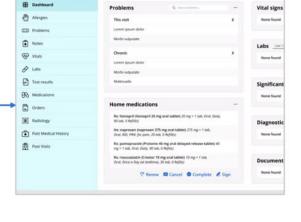


Dragon Ambient Experience (DAX) CoPilot



Ambient conversation recorded via unified mobile app for ambient recordings and smartphone mic Draft clinical summary available in mobile app within seconds after encounter Dragon Medical One DAX Express Clinical summary Transcript B235 Today at 10:45 AM In review D History of present illness C Copy Jennifer Jimenez is a 29-year-old female with a past medical history significant for hypertension and diabetes who was referred for a newly reduced ejection fraction of 35%. The patient reports new intermittent episodes of exertional dyspnea, which began over the weekend, and this was concerning to him given he is so active. He states he participates in cardiovascular exercise daily, riding S-10 miles on his bike and performs light weightlifting. He describes with activity that he feels "very winded," he explains this first occurred while carrying boxes up and down the stairs several times. All summary written at 10-83 AM Physical exam [] Copy General: Well-nourished, well-developed. In no acute distress. The patient ambulates into the office without difficulty with a broad-based galt with a slight limp favoring the right lower extremity. Alert and oriented ×3. All summary written at 10:56 AM Family history C Copy Jennifer's family history reveals that both of her parents have a history of heart disease. Her father was diagnosed with hypertension at the age of 40 and her mother was diagnosed with type 2 diabetes at the

Transfer to Dragon Medical One for clinician review, edit, and transfer to EHR



Once transferred, clinician signs off on final note in EHR

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Considerations

- Hallucinations: fabricated facts, values
- Lack of evidence: most studies have been on structured 'perfect' cases
- Accuracy: How do we define the best Al?
- Non-generalizable models: What works for one health system/specialty may not perform as well in others
- It's a first draft for now, but progress is happening very quickly



Unique Challenges of GenAl in Medicine

The need for a human in the loop. The increasing need to verify whether generated content is based on fact or inference elevates the need for a new level of quality control.

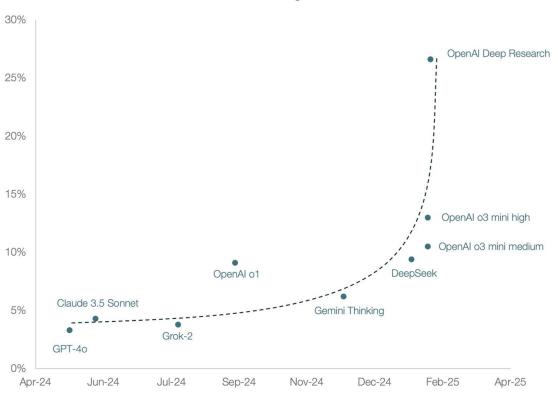
Explainability. A lack of transparency into the origins of generated content and traceability of root data could make it difficult to update models and scan them for potential risks.

Privacy. Generative Al's use of clinical images and medical records could increase the risk of data leak and challenge patient privacy.

Evidence of effectiveness: Lack of evaluative frameworks; Few studies or RCTs to date of these technologies



Al Scores on Humanity's Last Exam



3,000 challenging questions across over a hundred subjects

Source: Tomas Pueyo for Uncharted Territories, with data from Dan Hendrycks, of Humanity's Last Exam

https://agi.safe.ai/

Healthcare is an optimal place for Al transformation

- Demand for healthcare far outstrips supply.
- Patients want care that is both more cutting-edge AND more human.
- Al will be a new member of the health care team part scribe, part copilot. This will redefine some roles.
- All can tackle the data overload facing physicians enabling higher quality, safer, efficient, and more precise care.



Turbulent, Existentially Difficult, but Ultimately Better for Patients

- Risk of 'never-skilling' or 'de-skilling' when AI does the work
- Changing scope of practice
- Automation bias
- What happens when the AI is consistently better than humans at certain tasks?



Al as a Licensed Health Care Provider

H.R.238 - Healthy Technology Act of 2025

- "The Healthy Technology Act of 2025 would amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic
 Act to allow AI and machine learning to qualify as practitioners eligible to prescribe drugs if
 authorized by the state involved and approved, cleared, or authorized by the US Food and
 Drug Administration (FDA) for other purposes."
- Similar bills in the US House of Representatives in 2021 and 2023. Both were referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and to its Subcommittee on Health, where no further action was taken.



How to Stay Current on Al

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- Al Breakfast Newsletter: https://aibreakfast.beehiiv.com/
- Ground Truths from Dr. Eric Topol: https://erictopol.substack.com/
- NEJM Al: https://ai.nejm.org/
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Links, tutorials, examples available at: ai.iime.cloud



