

# Meta-Analysis of 33 Randomized Controlled Trials Demonstrates Value of CADe in Colorectal Polyp Detection

## **Research Goal**

Evaluate the potential advantages and disadvantages of use of computer-aided detection (CADe) during colorectal cancer (CRC) screening colonoscopy.

Systematic review and meta—analysis

33 randomized controlled trials (RCTs)

## **Key Results**

CADe significantly improved detection of:

- Advanced adenomas
- Diminutive and small adenomas
- Proximal and distal adenomas

### **Clinical Relevance**

- Colonoscopy is the gold standard of CRC screening, allowing for the identification and removal of pre-cancerous lesions before they progress.<sup>2</sup>
- While >10mm adenomas have the greatest potential for malignancy, diminutive (0-5mm) and small lesions (6-10mm) may also develop into CRC.
  - 0.6-5.6% of <10mm polyps show high—grade dysplasia and malignancy.
  - 3+ non-advanced diminutive adenomas have been associated with elevated metachronous cancer risk.
- Interval CRCs are more common in the proximal colon.

1% increase in ADR

decrease in risk of interval CRC

"Our study confirmed the role of Al-aidedcolonoscopy in safely improving the detection of colorectal neoplasia...without significant delays in procedure time."

- Lou et. al 2023

Artificial intelligence for colorectal neoplasia detection during colonoscopy: A systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized clinical trials<sup>1</sup>

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## Methodology

Meta-analysis of RCTs comparing CADe to standard of care

#### Primary outcome measures:

adenoma miss rate (AMR), adenoma detection rate (ADR), and adenomas per colonoscopy (APC)

#### Secondary outcome measures:

polyp miss rate (PMR), polyp detection rate (PDR), polyps detected per colonoscopy (PPC), procedure time, adverse events, and false alarms



## 33 unique randomized controlled trials

Including 8 tandem studies



### **27,404 patients**

**Excluded trials of patients** with inflammatory bowel disease or hereditary polyposis syndromes

## Results

Al significantly decreased polyp and adenoma miss rates

51% relative decrease in AMR

53% relative decrease in PMR

Al significantly increased polyp and adenoma detection rates

(1 additional adenoma for every ~5 patients examined)

24% relative increase in ADR & PDR



"Concerns regarding increased procedure time and complication risk with Al-aided colonoscopy were not substantially supported by our findings... adding an Al-aided system will not significantly affect the colonoscopy workflow"

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