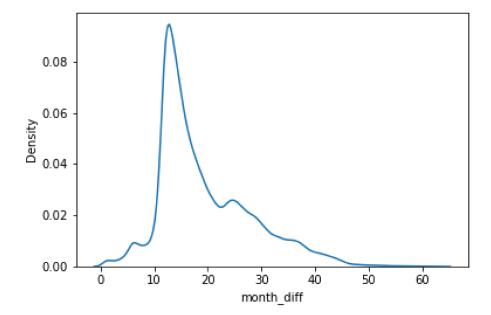
5. Appendices

6.1 A



6.2 BDR progression, by initial stage. Regression includes recovery by surgery.

One year:

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| - | - | - | - | - | 0.0042 |
| 4 | | | | | |
| - | - | - | - | 0.0083 | 0.0084 |
| 3 | | | | | |
| - | - | - | 0.199 | 0 | 0.0816 |
| 2 | | | | | |
| - | - | 0.4127 | 0.129 | 0.3412 | 0.0249 |
| 1 | | | | | |
| 0 | 0.9209 | 0.3798 | 0.6129 | 0.5667 | 0.8809 |
| 1 | 0.044 | 0.2045 | 0.0462 | 0.0838 | - |
| 2 | 0.0343 | 0.0026 | 0.0129 | - | - |
| 3 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | - | - | - |
| 4 | 0.0004 | - | - | - | - |

Two years:

| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| - | - | - | - | - | 0.0111 |
| 4 | | | | | |
| 3 | - | - | - | 0.0175 | 0.0148 |
| 3 | | | 0.1602 | 0.0175 | 0.0000 |
| 2 | - | - | 0.1683 | 0.0175 | 0.0888 |
| _ | _ | 0.3834 | 0.1391 | 0.4261 | 0.0444 |
| 1 | | 0.3031 | 0.1371 | 0.1201 | 0.0111 |
| 0 | 0.8951 | 0.3284 | 0.596 | 0.3405 | 0.8409 |
| 1 | 0.0576 | 0.2784 | 0.0667 | 0.1984 | - |
| 2 | 0.0461 | 0.0058 | 0.03 | - | - |
| 3 | 0.0008 | 0.0039 | - | - | - |
| 4 | 0.0003 | - | - | - | - |

Three years:

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| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| - | - | - | - | - | 0 |
| 4 | | | | 0.0909 | 0 |
| 3 | - | - | - | 0.0909 | U |
| - | - | - | 0.1725 | 0.0909 | 0.1053 |
| 2 | | | | | |
| - 1 | - | 0.4229 | 0.1128 | 0.2424 | 0 |
| 0 | 0.8719 | 0.303 | 0.6241 | 0.3636 | 0.8947 |
| 1 | 0.0746 | 0.2622 | 0.042 | 0.2121 | - |
| 2 | 0.0504 | 0.0119 | 0.0485 | - | - |
| 3 | 0.0023 | 0 | - | - | - |
| 4 | 0.0009 | - | - | - | - |

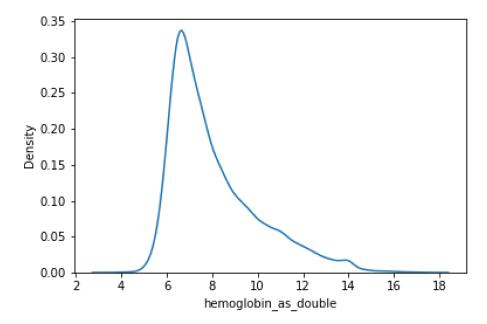
6.3 C

The images in the original dataset were taken using several cameras. The exact division is shown in the following table:

| Camera Name | Number of Images |
|------------------|------------------|
| Cannon CR2 | 263,815 |
| Centervue DRS | 145,257 |
| Crystalvue | 8,092 |
| Topcon NW400 | 367,854 |

6.4 D

HbA1c distribution:



There were 20 patients with HbA1C values ranging from 56.2 to 1132 who were excluded from this figure

6.5 E

Disease progression was calculated between any given visit and the visit immediately following. "Regression" is defined as the patient's recorded DR level being lower on the second visit, "No change" is defined as recorded DR levels being the same between visits, and "Progression" is defined as DR levels being higher.

First year:

| | specific image | specific patient |
|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| mild_to_severe | 0.576 (0.515, 0.634) | 0.618 (0.495, 0.731) |
| healthy_to_severe | 0.641 (0.621, 0.661) | 0.677 (0.626, 0.722) |
| to_severe | 0.734 (0.710, 0.756) | 0.789 (0.738, 0.831) |
| progress | 0.670 (0.652, 0.688) | 0.711 (0.666, 0.750) |

Second year:

| | specific image | specific patient |
|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| mild_to_severe | 0.630 (0.590, 0.670) | 0.653 (0.572, 0.728) |
| healthy_to_severe | 0.667 (0.652, 0.681) | 0.708 (0.677, 0.738) |
| to_severe | 0.746 (0.729, 0.761) | 0.807 (0.773, 0.837) |
| progress | 0.703 (0.690, 0.716) | 0.750 (0.722, 0.777) |

Three years:

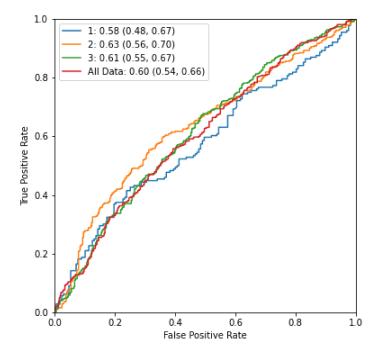
| | specific image | specific patient |
|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| mild_to_severe | 0.611 (0.572, 0.648) | 0.635 (0.559, 0.705) |
| healthy_to_severe | 0.667 (0.654, 0.680) | 0.712 (0.683, 0.739) |
| to_severe | 0.725 (0.711, 0.740) | $0.779\ (0.749,\ 0.807)$ |
| progress | 0.710 (0.699, 0.721) | 0.753 (0.727, 0.776) |

All images:

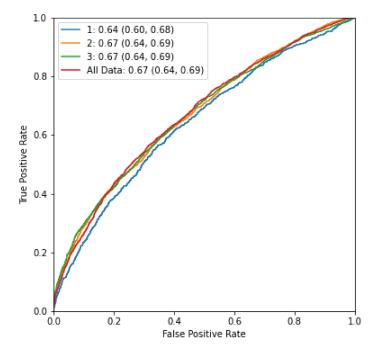
| | specific image | specific patient |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| mild_to_severe | 0.603 (0.566, 0.641) | 0.629 (0.554, 0.697) |
| healthy_to_severe | 0.669 (0.656, 0.682) | 0.711 (0.683, 0.737) |
| to_severe | 0.729 (0.714, 0.743) | 0.785 (0.754, 0.811) |
| progress | 0.705 (0.694, 0.716) | 0.754 (0.729, 0.777) |

6.7 F ROC curves of prediction by image.

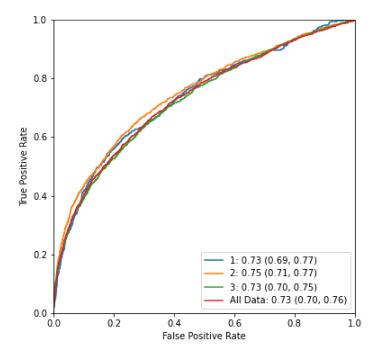
Mild to more than mild:



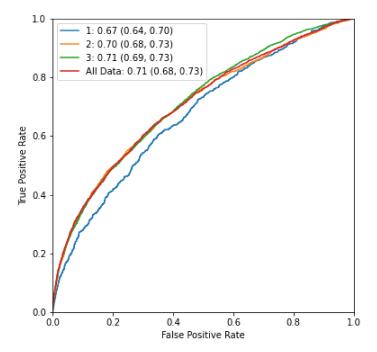
Normal to more than mild:



Non referrable to referrable:

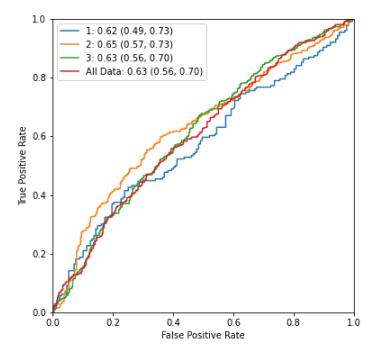


Any progression:

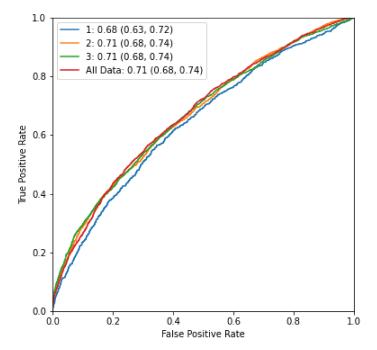


6.8 G ROC curves of prediction by patient.

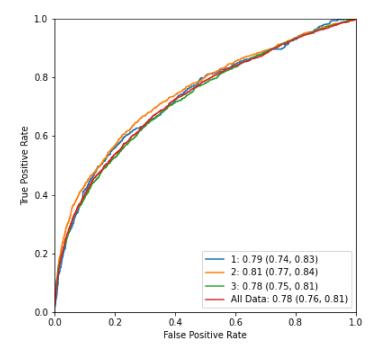
Mild to more than mild:



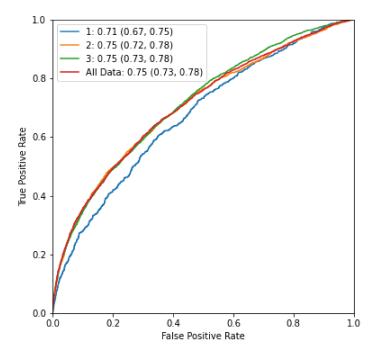
Normal to more than mild:



Non referrable to referrable:



Any progression:



6.9 H

Demographic characteristics of datasets with different timeframes:

First year:

| | Training set | Validation set |
|---|--|---|
| Number of patients | 8,947 | 968 |
| Number of images | 59,405 | 6,548 |
| Age: mean, years (s.d.) | 55.66 (10.52), n=8928 | 55.88 (10.17), n=966 |
| Gender (% male) | 0.37, n=8753 | 0.38, n=952 |
| HbA1c: mean, % (s.d.) | 7.87 (1.87), n=7159 | 7.93 (2.78), n=766 |
| Disease duration: mean, years (s.d.) | 7.62 (6.45), n=8640 | 7.35 (6.05), n=922 |
| Ethnicity | 62.6% Latin American, 11.6% ethnicity not specified, 8.7% African Descent, 6.4% Caucasian, 5.8% Asian, 3.3% Indian subcontinent origin, n=8740 | 62.8% Latin American, 11.1% ethnicity not specified, 8.8% African Descent, 5.9% Caucasian, 5.5% Asian, 3.9% Indian subcontinent origin, 1.4% Other, n=947 |

Second year:

| | Training set | Validation set |
|--|---|--|
| Number of patients | 17,161 | 1,896 |
| Number of images | 124,053 | 13,716 |
| Age: mean, years (s.d.) | 55.26 (10.65), n=17126 | 55.52 (10.41), n=1892 |
| Gender (% male) | 0.37, n=16783 | 0.36, n=1856 |
| HbA1c: mean, % (s.d.) | 7.96 (2.16), n=13845 | 7.95 (2.42), n=1515 |
| Disease duration: mean, years (s.d.) | 7.47 (6.43), n=16514 | 7.29 (6.27), n=1814 |
| Ethnicity | 62.8% Latin American, 11.4% ethnicity not specified, 8.7% African Descent, 7.2% Caucasian, 5.5% Asian, 2.7% Indian subcontinent origin, 1.1% Other, n=16753 | 61.5% Latin American, 10.8% ethnicity not specified, 9.1% African Descent, 7.8% Caucasian, 5.9% Asian, 3.2% Indian subcontinent origin, 1.2% Other, n=1856 |

Third year:

| | Training set | Validation set |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| Number of patients | 19,172 | 2,152 |
| Number of images | 138,333 | 15,447 |
| Age: mean, years (s.d.) | 55.19 (10.65), n=19136 | 55.35 (10.41), n=2148 |
| Gender (% male) | 0.37, n=18748 | 0.37, n=2109 |
| HbA1c: mean, % (s.d.) | 7.97 (2.26), n=15375 | 7.99 (2.76), n=1716 |
| Disease duration: mean, years (s.d.) | 7.46 (6.45), n=18448 | 7.20 (6.21), n=2061 |
| Ethnicity | 62.2% Latin American, 11.4% ethnicity not specified, 9.0% African Descent, 7.4% Caucasian, 5.5% Asian, 2.8% Indian subcontinent origin, 1.1% Other, n=18719 | 61.2% Latin American, 10.8% ethnicity not specified, 9.7% African Descent, 7.8% Caucasian, 5.8% Asian, 3.1% Indian subcontinent origin, 1.1% Other, n=2100 |

All data:

| | Training set | Validation set |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| Number of patients | 19,531 | 2,199 |
| Number of images | 140,614 | 15,749 |
| Age: mean, years (s.d.) | 55.15 (10.68), n=19495 | 55.34 (10.40), n=2195 |
| Gender (% male) | 0.37, n=19102 | 0.37, n=2155 |
| HbA1c: mean, % (s.d.) | 7.98 (2.26), n=15672 | 7.99 (2.75), n=1756 |
| Disease duration: mean, years (s.d.) | 7.46 (6.44), n=18803 | 7.21 (6.20), n=2108 |
| Ethnicity | 62.1% Latin American, 11.4% ethnicity not specified, 9.1% African Descent, 7.4% Caucasian, 5.4% Asian, 2.8% Indian subcontinent origin, 1.1% Other, n=19076 | 61.4% Latin American, 10.7% ethnicity not specified, 9.7% African Descent, 7.8% Caucasian, 5.6% Asian, 3.1% Indian subcontinent origin, 1.1% Other, n=2147 |

6.10 I Table describing the sizes of datasets. First number is number of images in the development set, second is validation set.

| | Mild DR to mtmDR | No DR to mtmDR | mtmDR- to mtmDR+ | Any DR Progression |
|---|------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | 3415, 343 | 55990, 6205 | 59405, 6548 | 59405, 6548 |
| 2 | 7011, 745 | 117042, 12971 | 124053, 13716 | 124053, 13716 |
| 3 | 8121, 853 | 130212, 14594 | 138333, 15447 | 138333, 15447 |
| 4 | 8351, 885 | 132263, 14864 | 140614, 15749 | 140614, 15749 |

6.11 J

The empirical risk as a function of the model's score was investigated. The following four plots show the empirical risk as a function of model score per image for different tasks. The four following plots show the same per patient, by averaging the scores of all the images taken during one visit.

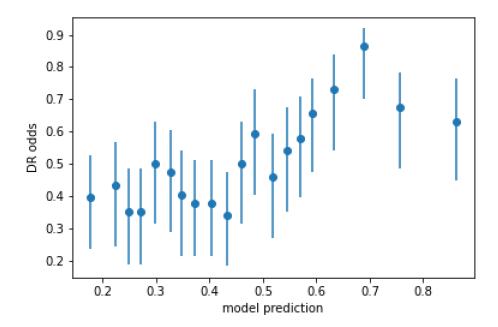


Figure 5: Empiric risk of mild DR to mtmDR as a function of model score per image

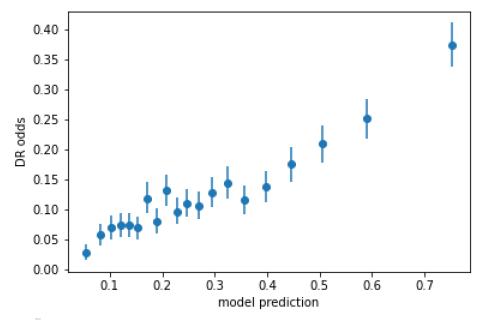


Figure 6: Empiric risk of no DR to mtmDR as a function of model score per image

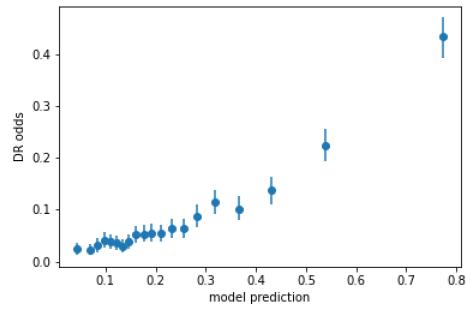


Figure 7: Empiric risk of mtmDR- to mtmDR+ as a function of model score per image

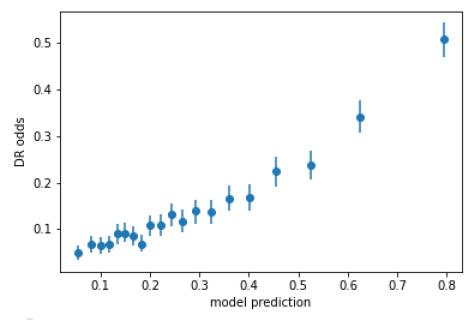


Figure 8: Empiric risk of any DR progression as a function of model score per image

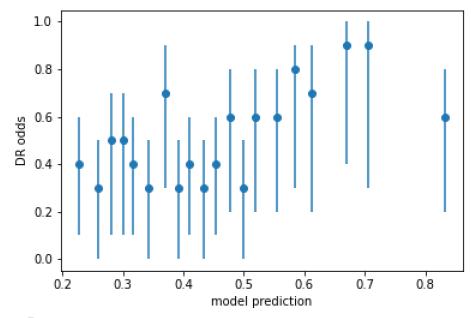


Figure 9: Empiric risk of mild DR to mtmDR as a function of model score per patient

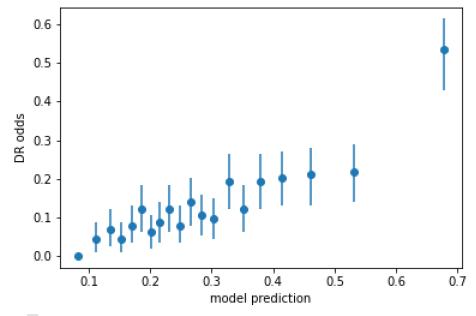


Figure 10: Empiric risk of no DR to mtmDR as a function of model score per patient

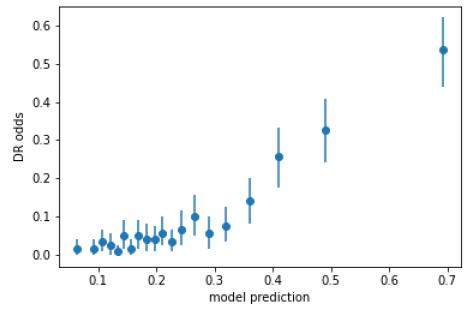


Figure 11: Empiric risk of mtmDR- to mtmDR+ as a function of model score per patient

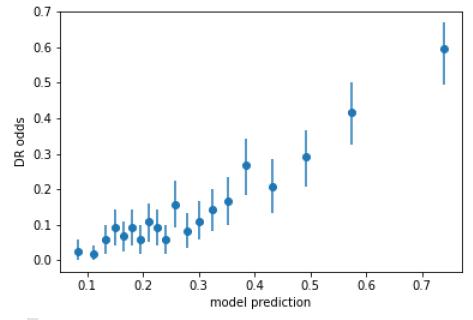


Figure 12: Empiric risk of any DR progression as a function of model score per patient

6.12 K

A figure describing our dataset creation process.

6.13 L

Table equivalent to table 1 in the results, describing model score only on the subset of patients who had HbA1c score or disease duration record.

| | Image- only HbA1c | Patient- only HbA1c | Image- only disease duration | Patient- only disease duration |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Mild DR to mtmDR | 0.67 (0.63, 0.71) | 0.69 (0.60, 0.77) | 0.64 (0.59, 0.67) | 0.66 (0.58, 0.73) |
| No DR to mtmDR | 0.65 (0.64, 0.67) | 0.69 (0.66, 0.73) | 0.67 (0.65, 0.68) | 0.71 (0.67, 0.74) |
| mtmDR- to mtmDR+ | 0.74 (0.72, 0.76) | 0.80 (0.76, 0.84) | 0.75 (0.73, 0.77) | 0.81 (0.78, 0.84) |
| Any DR Progression | 0.69 (0.68, 0.71) | 0.75 (0.71, 0.78) | 0.70 (0.69, 0.72) | 0.75 (0.72, 0.78) |

6.14 M

Testing the model on patients with different ages.

| Patient age | By image | By patient |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 20-29 | 0.86 (0.79, 0.91) | 0.92 (0.74, 0.98) |
| 30-39 | 0.81 (0.76, 0.86) | 0.87 (0.77, 0.94) |
| 40-49 | 0.73 (0.70, 0.77) | 0.79 (0.71, 0.85) |
| 50-59 | 0.76 (0.74, 0.78) | 0.82 (0.77, 0.86) |
| 60-69 | 0.69 (0.66, 0.72) | 0.75 (0.68, 0.80) |

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 $\textbf{6.15} \quad \textbf{N}$ Testing the model on images taken using different camera types.

| Device | Image Number | AUC |
|------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | | |
| Canon CR2 | 3994 | 0.711 (0.686, 0.735) |
| Centervue DRS | 2600 | 0.751 (0.712, 0.786) |
| Topcon NW400 | 8719 | 0.733 (0.712, 0.754) |
| | | |
| | | |
| Device | Patient Number | AUC |
| Device device | Patient Number | AUC |
| | Patient Number 652 | AUC 0.765 (0.707, 0.812) |
| device | | |

6.16 OTesting the model on patients with different ethnicities

| Ethnicity | Image Number | AUC |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| African Descent | 1315 | 0.723 (0.664, 0.777) |
| Asian | 912 | 0.728 (0.664, 0.782) |
| Caucasian | 1181 | 0.716 (0.649, 0.773) |
| Indian subcontinent origin | 458 | 0.749 (0.673, 0.809) |
| Latin American | 9484 | 0.733 (0.715, 0.750) |
| ethnicity not specified | 1408 | 0.774 (0.719, 0.820) |
| | | |
| | | |
| Ethnicity | Patient Number | AUC |
| Ethnicity African Descent | Patient Number 237 | AUC 0.782 (0.640, 0.873) |
| • | | |
| African Descent | 237 | 0.782 (0.640, 0.873) |
| African Descent Asian | 237 155 | 0.782 (0.640, 0.873) 0.782 (0.644, 0.892) |
| African Descent Asian Caucasian | 237 155 205 | 0.782 (0.640, 0.873) 0.782 (0.644, 0.892) 0.796 (0.622, 0.895) |

6.17 P

| Initial DR level | | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|------------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Year 1 | Regression | - | 0.413 | 0.328 | 0.35 | 0.119 |
| No Change | | 0.921 | 0.38 | 0.613 | 0.567 | 0.881 |
| Progression | | 0.079 | 0.208 | 0.059 | 0.084 | - |
| Year 2 | Regression | - | 0.383 | 0.307 | 0.461 | 0.159 |
| No Change | | 0.895 | 0.328 | 0.596 | 0.34 | 0.841 |
| Progression | | 0.105 | 0.288 | 0.097 | 0.198 | - |
| Year 3 | Regression | - | 0.423 | 0.285 | 0.424 | 0.105 |
| No Change | | 0.872 | 0.303 | 0.624 | 0.364 | 0.895 |
| Progression | | 0.128 | 0.274 | 0.091 | 0.212 | - |

Table 1: Disease progression was calculated between any given visit and the visit immediately following. "Regression" is defined as the patient's recorded DR level being lower on the second visit, "No change" is defined as recorded DR levels being the same between visits, and "Progression" is defined as DR levels being higher.

6.18 Q

| Prediction time (months) | Sensitivity | Specificity | Net Benefit |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Up to 15 | 0.84 (0.76, 0.90) | 0.51 (0.48, 0.55) | 0.02 (0.01, 0.02) |
| 16-24 | 0.85 (0.77, 0.91) | 0.50 (0.47, 0.53) | 0.01 (0.01, 0.02) |
| 25-36 | 0.80 (0.70, 0.88) | 0.50 (0.45, 0.54) | 0.03 (0.02, 0.04) |
| 36+ | 0.92 (0.54, 1.00) | 0.53 (0.41, 0.63) | 0.03 (0.01, 0.08) |

Scores are calculated at model score 0.2, 95% CI in parentheses.

| Prediction time (months) | Sensitivity | Specificity | Net Benefit |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Up to 15 | 0.73 (0.64, 0.81) | 0.75 (0.72, 0.78) | 0.02 (0.01, 0.03) |
| 16-24 | 0.73 (0.65, 0.81) | 0.76 (0.73, 0.78) | 0.02 (0.01, 0.03) |
| 25-36 | 0.56 (0.45, 0.68) | 0.74 (0.69, 0.78) | 0.02 (0.01, 0.04) |
| 36+ | 0.75 (0.38, 0.92) | 0.75 (0.64, 0.84) | 0.03 (0.01, 0.09) |

Scores are calculated at model score 0.3, 95% CI in parentheses.

| Prediction time (months) | Sensitivity | Specificity | Net Benefit |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Up to 15 | 0.59 (0.49, 0.69) | 0.86 (0.83, 0.88) | 0.02 (0.01, 0.03) |
| 16-24 | 0.57 (0.48, 0.66) | 0.86 (0.84, 0.88) | 0.02 (0.01, 0.03) |
| 25-36 | 0.44 (0.32, 0.55) | 0.87 (0.83, 0.90) | 0.02 (0.01, 0.04) |
| 36+ | 0.75 (0.38, 0.93) | 0.88 (0.79, 0.94) | 0.05 (0.01, 0.12) |

Scores are calculated at model score 0.4, 95% CI in parentheses.

| Prediction time (months) | Sensitivity | Specificity | Net Benefit |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Up to 15 | 0.35 (0.25, 0.44) | 0.97 (0.96, 0.98) | 0.02 (0.01, 0.04) |
| 16-24 | 0.34 (0.26, 0.43) | 0.97 (0.95, 0.98) | 0.02 (0.01, 0.03) |
| 25-36 | 0.20 (0.11, 0.30) | 0.97 (0.95, 0.99) | 0.02 (0.01, 0.03) |
| 36+ | 0.42 (0.14, 0.71) | 0.99 (0.92, 1.00) | 0.05 (nan, nan) |

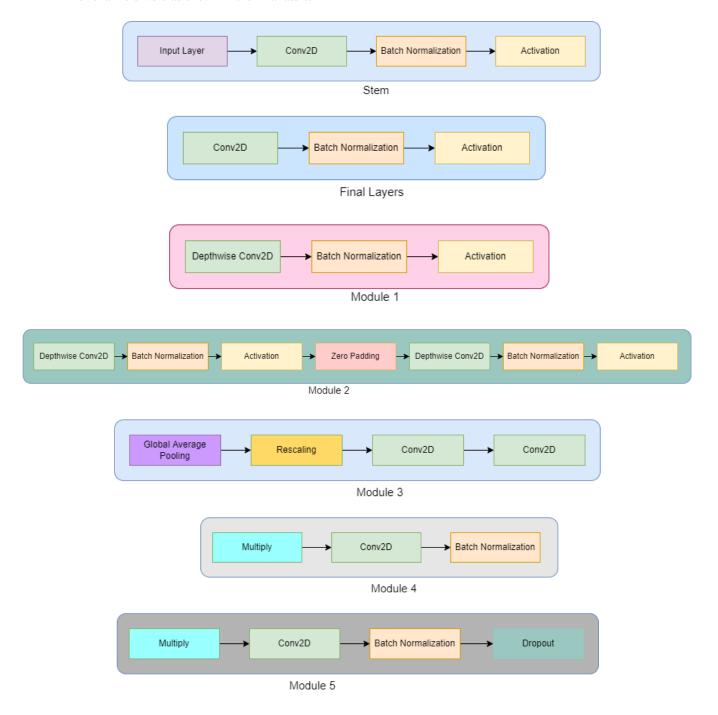
Scores are calculated at model score 0.6, 95% CI in parentheses.

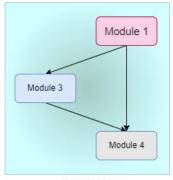
| Prediction time (months) | Sensitivity | Specificity | Net Benefit |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Up to 15 | 0.24 (0.16, 0.33) | 0.99 (0.97, 0.99) | 0.02 (0.01, 0.03) |
| 16-24 | 0.22 (0.15, 0.30) | 0.98 (0.97, 0.99) | 0.01 (0.01, 0.02) |
| 25-36 | 0.11 (0.05, 0.21) | 0.99 (0.98, 1.00) | 0.01 (0.00, 0.03) |
| 36+ | N/A | N/A | N/A |

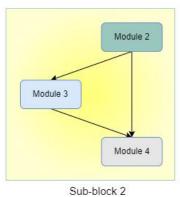
Scores are calculated at model score 0.7, 95% CI in parentheses.

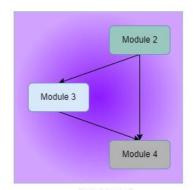
6.19 R

Model architecture. For each block (shown in final image) the image resolution, kernel size, and number of channels were as shown in the final table.



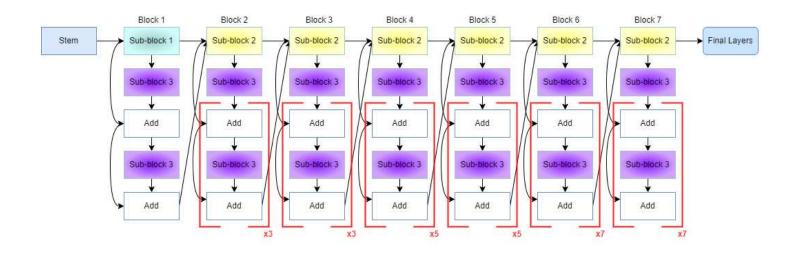






Sub-block 1

Sub-block 3



| | Stem | Block 1 | Block 2 | Block 3 | Block 4 | Block 5 | Block 6 | Block 7 | Final Layers |
|-----------------------|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------------|
| Image | 512 x | 256 x | 256 x | 128 x | | | | | |
| Resolution | 512 | 256 | 256 | 128 | 64 x 64 | 32 x 32 | 32 x 32 | 16 x 16 | 16 x 16 |
| Kernel Size | 3 x 3 | 3 x 3 | 3 x 3 | 5 x 5 | 3 x 3 | 5 x 5 | 5 x 5 | 3 x 3 | 1 x 1 |
| Number of Channels | 48 | 24 | 40 | 64 | 128 | 176 | 304 | 512 | 2048 |