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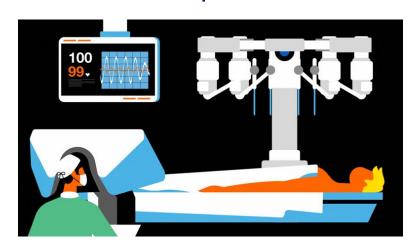
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INTRODUCTION

Artificial intelligence (AI) in healthcare is on the rise, pervading aspects of surgical robotics, smart medical devices, predictive diagnostics, quantum technology, and

pharmacotherapeutics.



Al can offer computational frameworks that can be used to approach the multivariable, multimodal nature of intensive care medicine.





AIM

To examine the perceptions of the multidisciplinary team (MDT) within critical care on the role of AI in the areas of cost-effectiveness, safety, and quality health service delivery.



DEFINITION OF TERMS

Artificial Intelligence (AI)

The capability of a computer system to **mimic human cognitive functions** such as:

Learning Problem-solving Understanding

Interpreting visual information Responding to spoken or written language

Al uses maths, logic and patterns learned from data to **simulate human reasoning** and **make decisions** and **recommendations**.

Definition of Terms cont.

Machine Learning (ML)

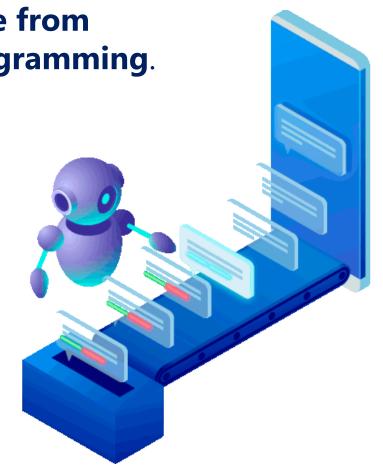
A <u>subset of AI</u> that enables machines to **automatically learn** and **improve from experience without explicit programming**.

ML systems can:

Identify patterns

Help make decisions

Improve their performance with little to no human intervention



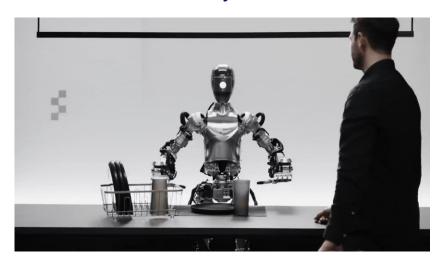
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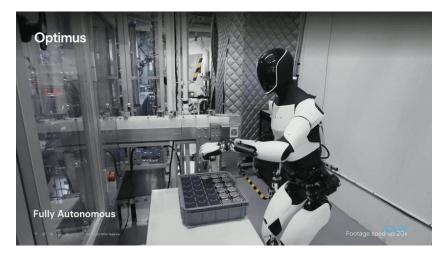
Deep Learning (DL)

A <u>form of machine learning</u> that works with **artificial neural networks** which are designed **to imitate how humans think and learn**.

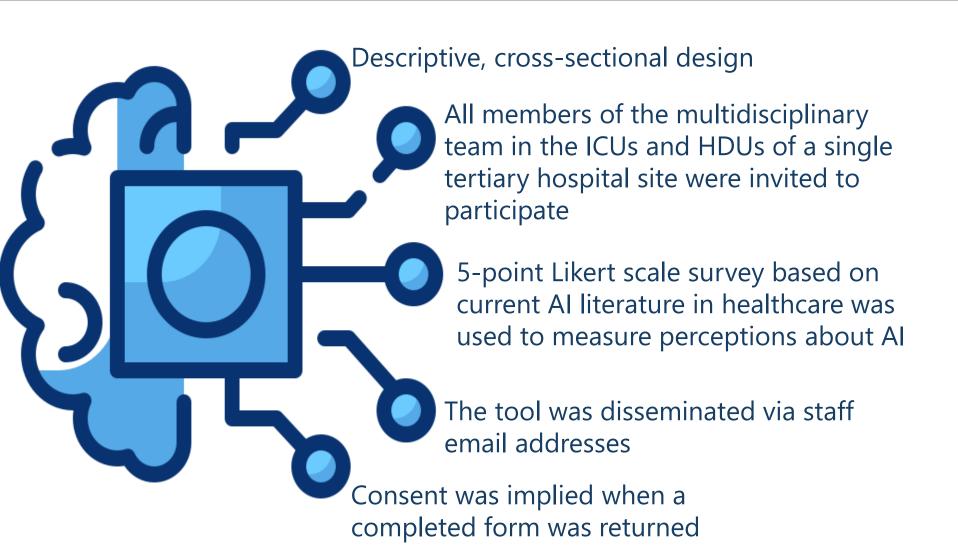
Example:

Robots use DL to interpret their surroundings and learn to perform complex tasks autonomously.





METHODS



RESULTS

Job Role

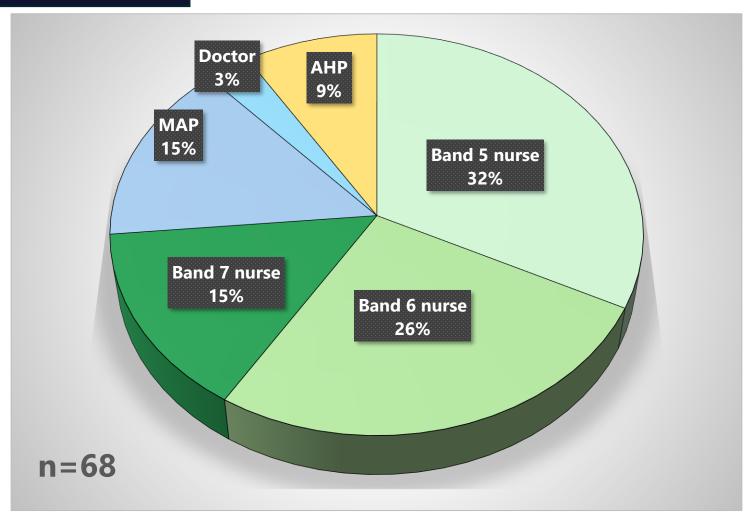


Figure 1. Job role of participants

Age Groups According to Social Generations

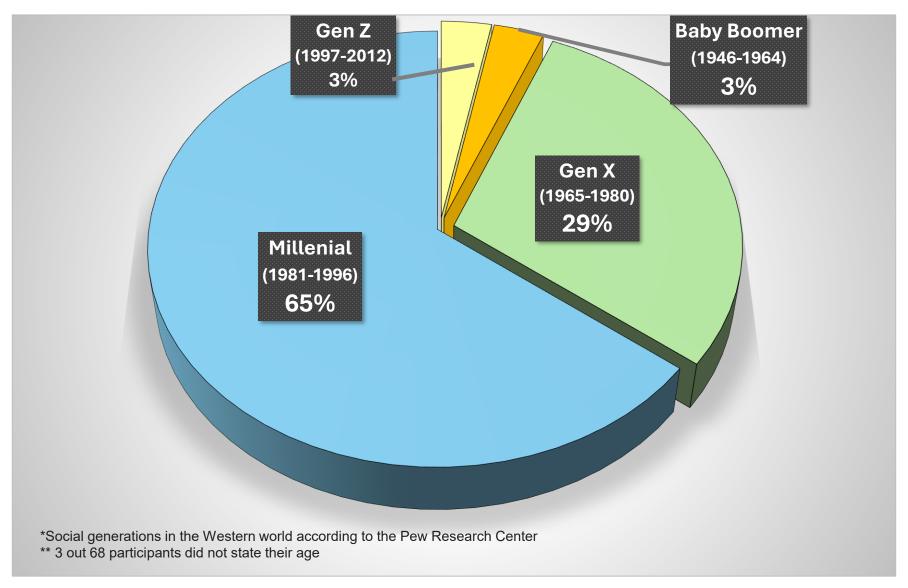


Figure 2. Age groups according to social generations

In general, how familiar are you with the use of AI in healthcare?



Mean Score: 2.87

Figure 3. Familiarity with Al

If there is an application of Al now in your workplace, how confident are you to use that application?



Mean Score: 2.79

Figure 4. Confidence in using Al application

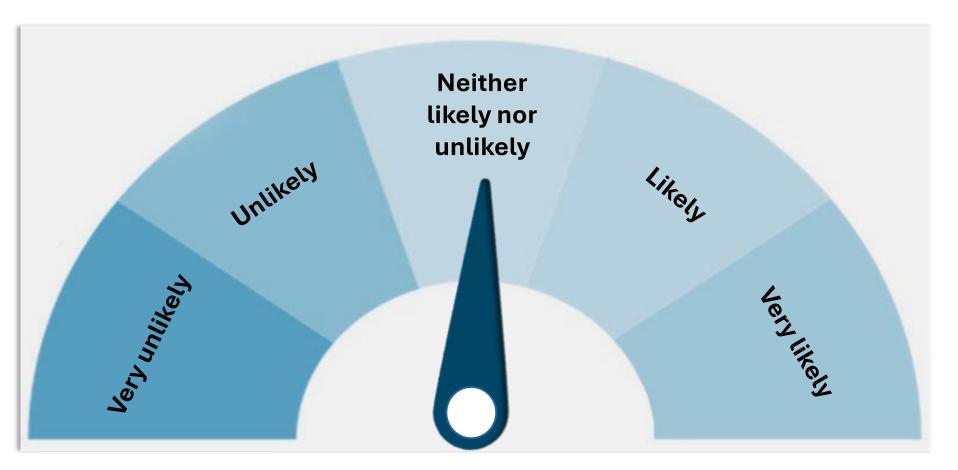
If training is offered on how to use Al in your department, how willing are you to participate?



Mean Score: 4.47

Figure 5. Willingness to undergo Al training

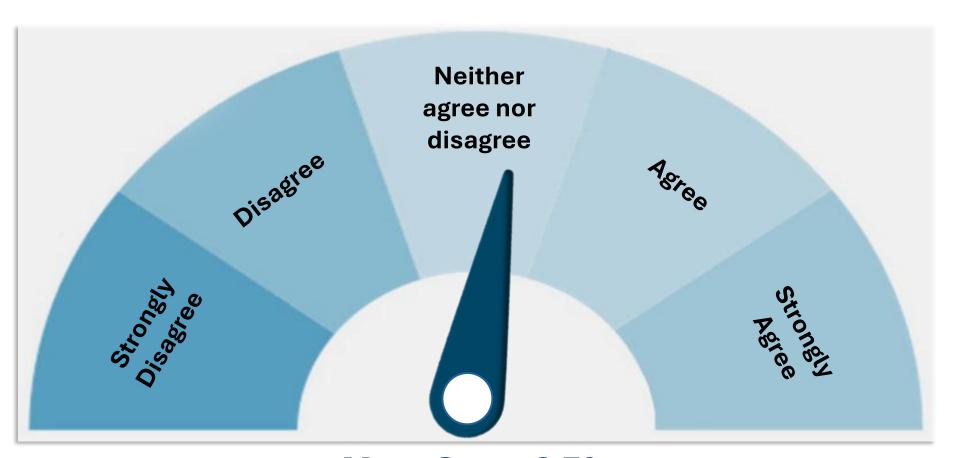
If there is an available AI application that has the ability to help you in clinical decision-making, how likely are you to follow the recommendations of the app in your practice?



Mean Score: 3.60

Figure 6. Likelihood to follow AI recommendations in practice

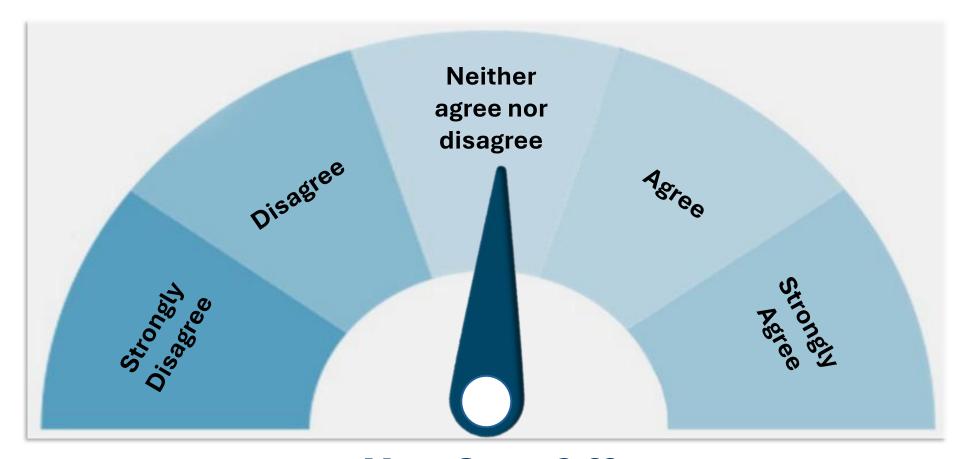
Al can improve the care received by critically ill patients.



Mean Score: 3.79

Figure 7. Perceptions on Al improving care

Al can reduce the cost of care received by critically ill patients.



Mean Score: 3.62

Figure 8. Perceptions on Al reducing healthcare costs

Comparison of Mean Scores

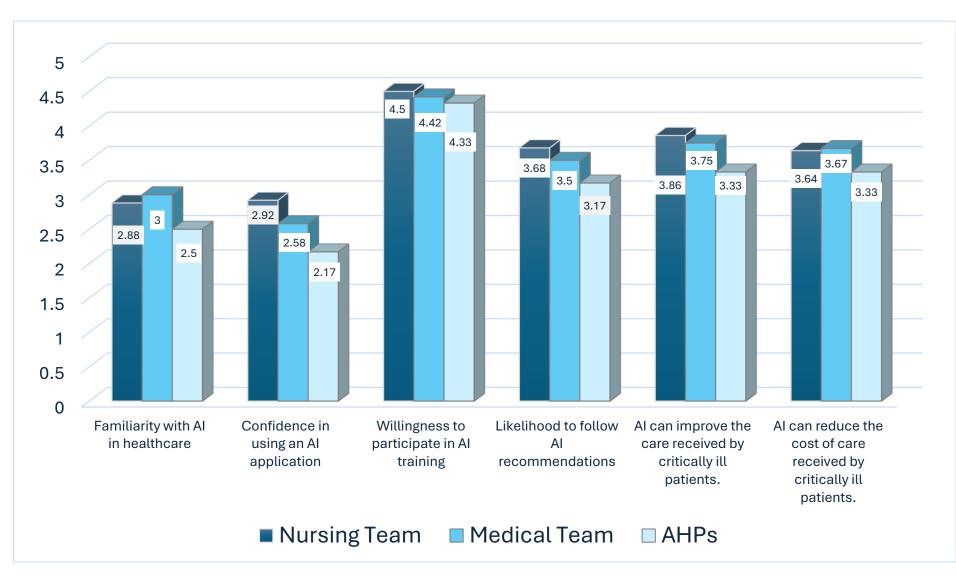


Figure 9. Comparison of mean scores across job roles

Inferential Statistics

Band 7 nurses had better familiarity and higher level of confidence in using AI compared to **Band 5 nurses** (p < 0.05).

Band 7 nurses had significantly higher scores in their perceptions of the value of AI in improving care compared to **Band 5 nurses** (p < 0.05).

AHPs were significantly more confident in using Al applications compared to Band 5 nurses (p < 0.05).



Inferential Statistics cont.

- There were no significant differences in scores relating to perceptions in Al based on age.
- Participants from HDUs have significantly higher scores in their perceptions of the value of AI in reducing the cost of care compared to ICUs (p < 0.05).



 Doctors were more likely to use Al to help their clinical decision-making compared to nurses and AHPs (p < 0.05).

IMPLICATIONS TO PRACTICE

Al has the potential to be used as a tool in intensive care, especially since the clinical utility of Al has been demonstrated in the areas of patient data analytics, real-time and predictive diagnostics, and syndromic surveillance and modelling ¹⁻¹⁶.

Healthcare organisations can take opportunities to introduce AI in critical care and increase staff familiarity on its potential role in improving healthcare services.



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