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AI-Powered MRI Platform: Advancing High-Throughput Diagnostics and Biomarker Extraction for Joint Health

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TECHNOLOGY DESCRIPTION

UCSF researchers have developed an advanced digital health methodology for high-throughput image processing and feature extraction from musculoskeletal Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) using Artificial Intelligence (AI). This innovative platform simultaneously reconstructs high-quality images while robustly analyzing biomarkers and features of joint tissue, such as cartilage thickness, meniscus and ligament composition (T1rho/T2), intervertebral disc height, bone shape, and muscle fat quantification. By reducing acquisition time and maintaining the integrity of the original image, the technology enables fast, quantitative imaging that eliminates multiple steps of data manipulation, making the process faster, more precise, and scalable. Currently in early development, this cost-effective solution improves diagnostic precision, accelerates therapeutic monitoring, and offers transformative applications in classification, progression tracking, and joint health management. The platform provides a unique opportunity for software companies, MR scanner vendors, and system integrators to advance precision imaging solutions.

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