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Diagnostic performance of ultrasound elastography in differentiating hepatocellular carcinoma and intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Abstract

Purpose: To evaluate the diagnostic value of ultrasound elastography (USE) for characterizing hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) and intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma (ICC).

Methods: The protocol was pre-registered a priori at (<https://osf.io/namvk/>). Using PubMed, Web of Science, Embase, and Cochrane Library, we found studies up to April 20, 2024 by searching HCC, ICC, and USE as keywords. Parameters of USE were directly compared between HCC and ICC patients using

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