

Using AI to streamline & scale skin cancer detection

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Current UK skin cancer challenges

CHALLENGES

- Skin cancer incidence rising
- Waiting times for diagnosis increasing in NHS & private sector
- Short supply of high-quality telemedicine reporters
- Need to extend skin network for improved coverage
- Some patients looking for digital healthcare solution
- Provides greater resilience and sustainability

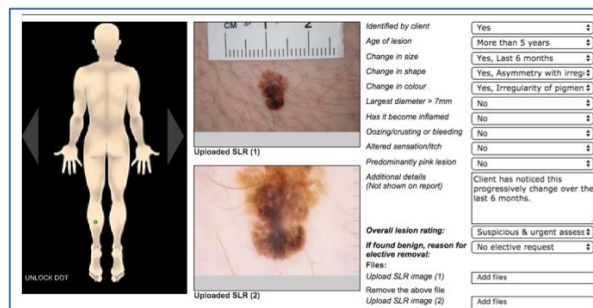
SOLUTIONS

- Build a skin lesion App to take high quality skin lesion images for triage
- Build a skin cancer AI model based on C4C skin images and clinical data

Current teledermatology pathway

SYMPTOMS

Increased in size
Changed colour
>7mm in diameter
Irregular shape
Irregular colour
Inflamed or oozing



Identified by client: Yes No
Age of lesion: More than 5 years Less than 5 years
Change in size: Yes, Last 6 months No
Change in shape: Yes, Asymmetry with irreg: No
Change in colour: Yes, Irregularity of pigmen: No
Largest diameter > 7mm: No Yes
Has it become inflamed: No Yes
Oozing/brusting or bleeding: No Yes
Altered sensation/itch: No Yes
Predominantly pink lesion: No Yes
Additional details (Not shown on report):
Client has noticed this progressively change over the last 6 months: Yes No
Overall lesion rating:
If found benign, reason for elective removal:
Files:
Upload SLR image (1): Add files
Remove the above file:
Upload SLR image (2): Add files

96% of melanomas
Stage 1 or 2 where
5-year survival at
least 85%

Insurer referral for
patients with skin
lesion suspicious of
melanoma/SCC or
BCC

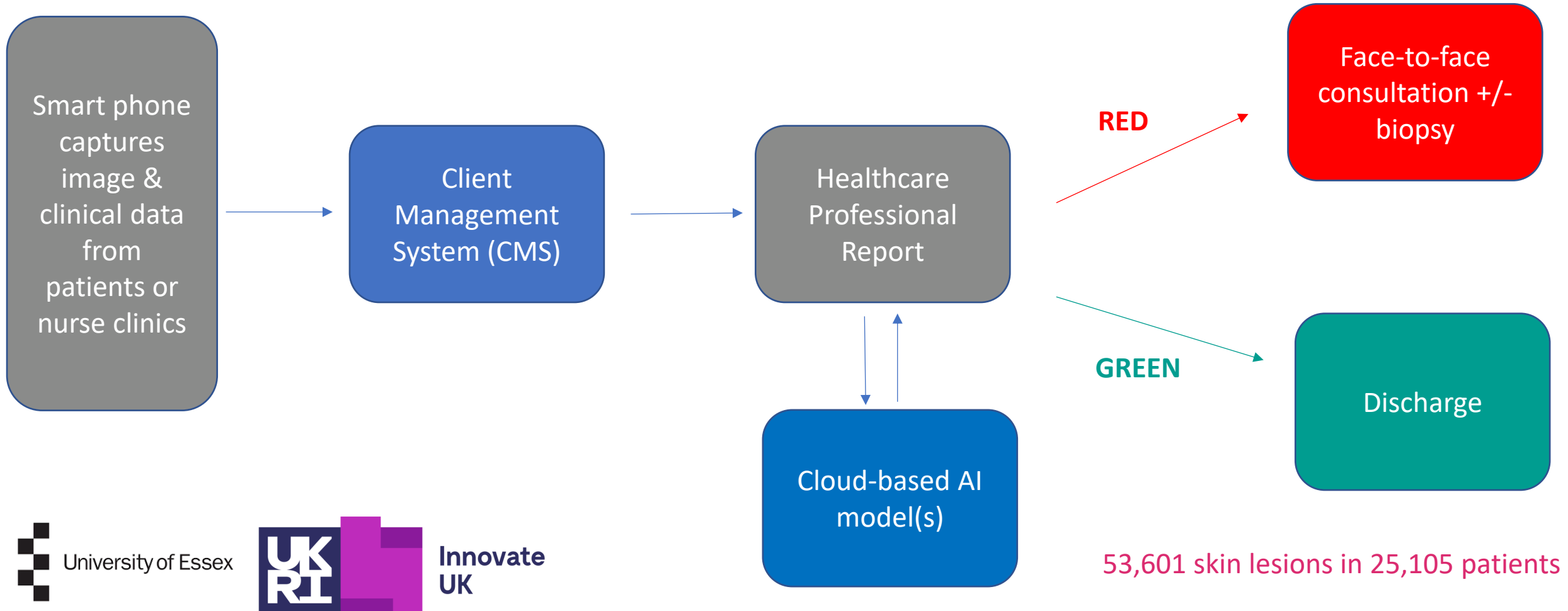
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International shortages of skin cancer nurses, telemedicine reporters & skin cancer specialists

Development of App & AI model

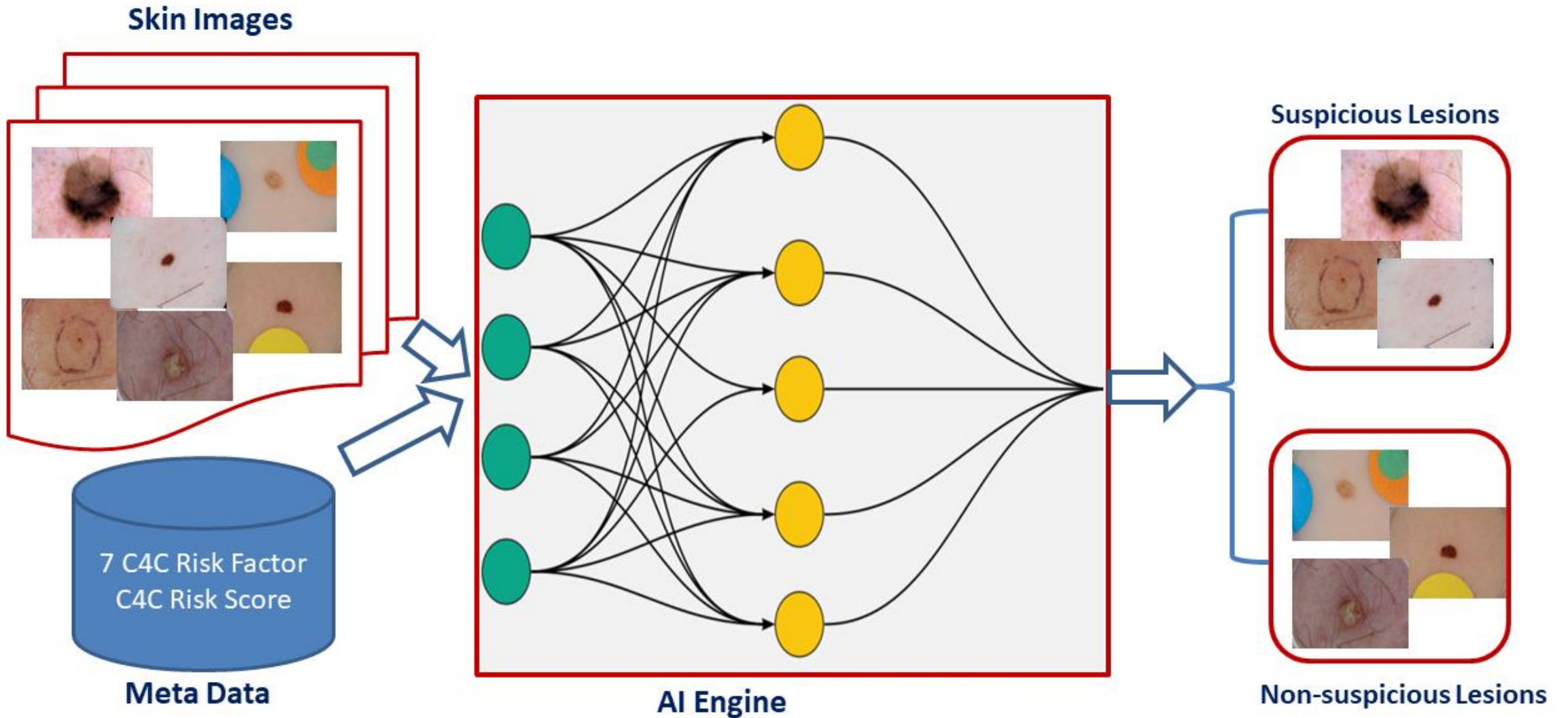


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AI model architecture



Results

FEATURE
Lesion Age
Has lesion changed colour?
Natural hair colour age 15
Is lesion Inflamed?
Is lesion pink?
Has lesion changed shape?
Has lesion changed size?

Lesion Type	C4C AI Model Accuracy			Skin Analytics	HCP reporting
	Images alone	Images & C4C risk features & C4C risk score©	Images & C4C features & score at 80% specificity		
MELANOMA	99%	--	--	95%	
BCC	99%	--	--	98%	
SCC	100%	--	--	97%	
All skin cancer	99%	99%	98%	97%	96%
Benign	63%	74%	80%	73%	80%

Weighted C4C risk score

22 clinical features distilled down to 7 most important to develop a novel risk score for skin cancer detection



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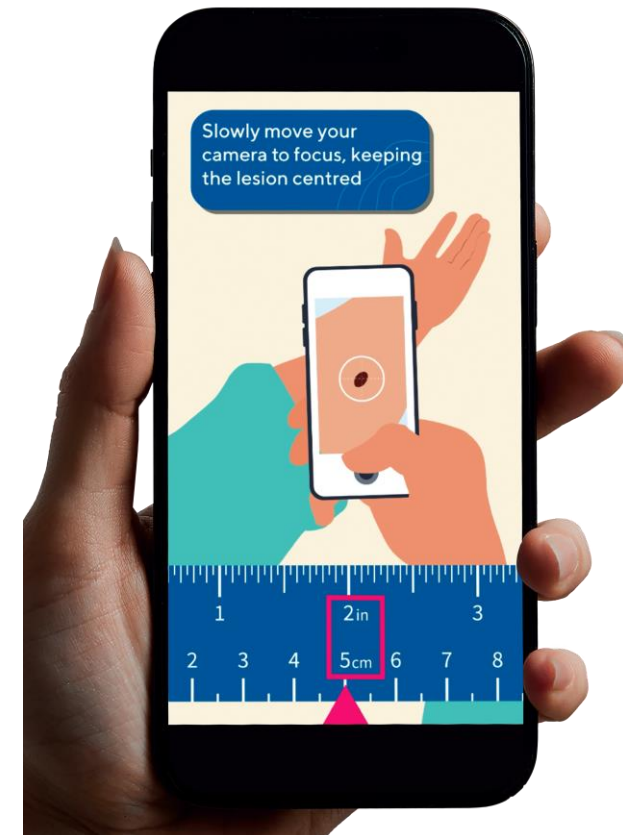
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AI for skin cancer detection

Built on a foundation of extensive clinical data



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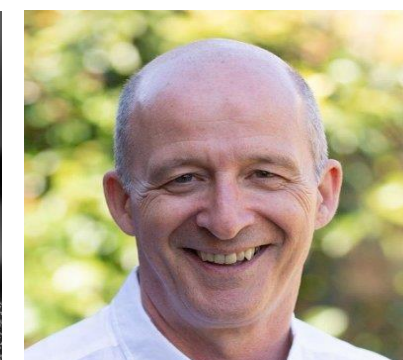
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