



ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN EMERGENCY MEDICINE:

REDUCING DIAGNOSTIC DELAY AND IMPROVING CRITICAL CARE OUTCOMES- A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW

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WHY AI IN EMERGENCY MEDICINE NOW?

- Rising patient demand: Increasing ED visits and overcrowding
- Diagnostic delays: Time-critical conditions (sepsis, stroke) linked to higher morbidity/mortality
- Complex data overload: Labs, imaging, vitals, EHRs in real-time
- Cognitive support: AI offers pattern recognition, predictive modeling, and rapid risk stratification

STUDY DESIGN

- Systematic review of literature (2020–2025)
- Included primary validation studies and high-level syntheses (meta-analyses, umbrella reviews)
- Evaluated AI applications for:
 - Diagnostic prediction
 - Triage prioritization
 - Outcome and workflow optimization
 - Focused on emergency medicine and prehospital settings



METHODS + PRISMA

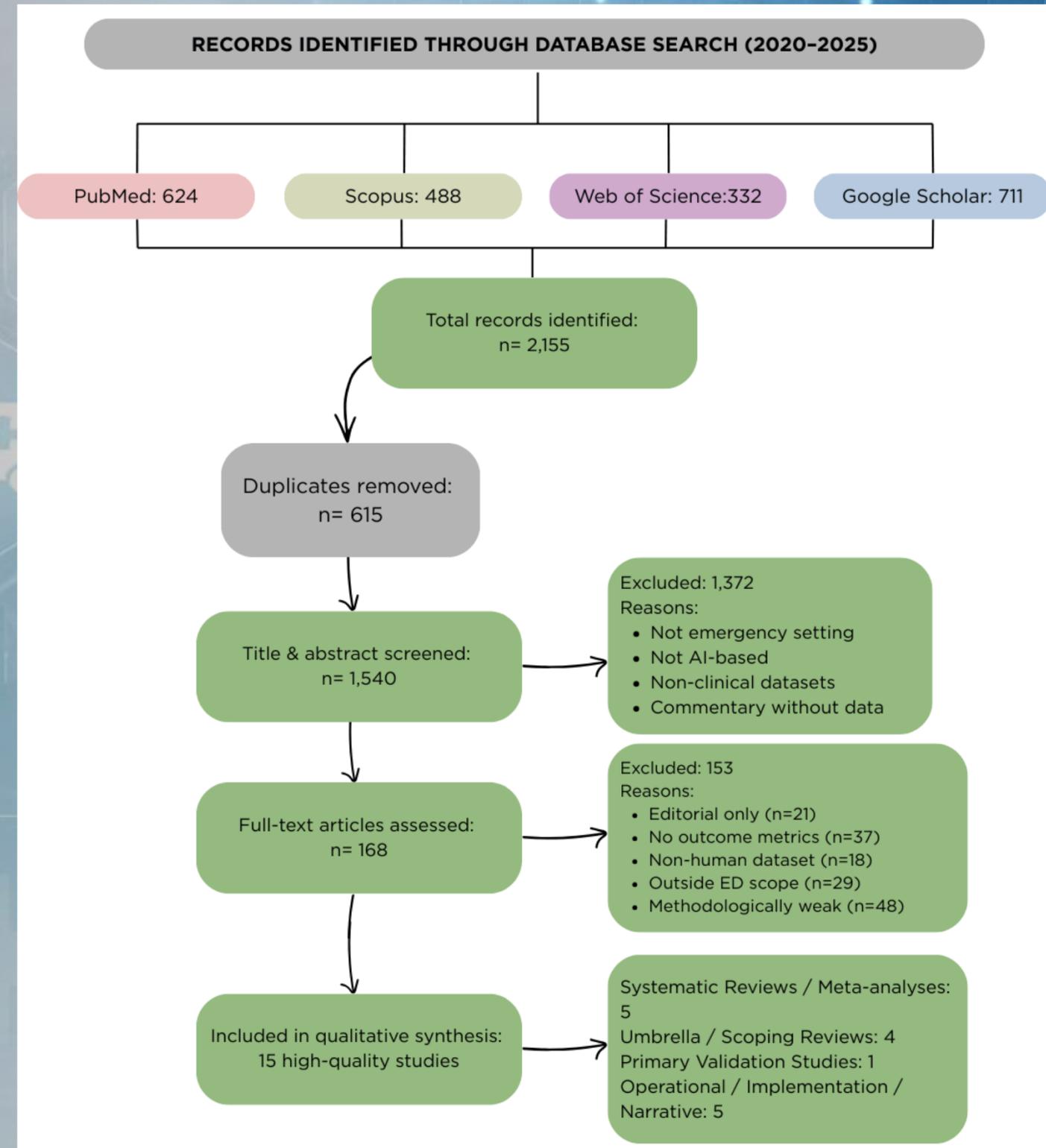
- Databases: PubMed, Scopus, Web of Science, Google Scholar
- Screening & reporting: PRISMA 2020 framework

Inclusion criteria:

1. Human clinical datasets
- AI-based diagnostic, triage, or outcome models
 - Emergency medicine focus

1. Quality assessment tools:

- QUADAS-2 (diagnostic accuracy)
- PROBAST (prediction models)



CATEGORIES OF AI APPLICATION

- Diagnostic prediction: Sepsis, stroke, trauma
- ED disposition & revisit prediction
- AI-supported triage systems: Risk prioritization & misclassification reduction
- Operational workflow optimization: Wait times, resource allocation, decision support

DIAGNOSTIC PERFORMANCE

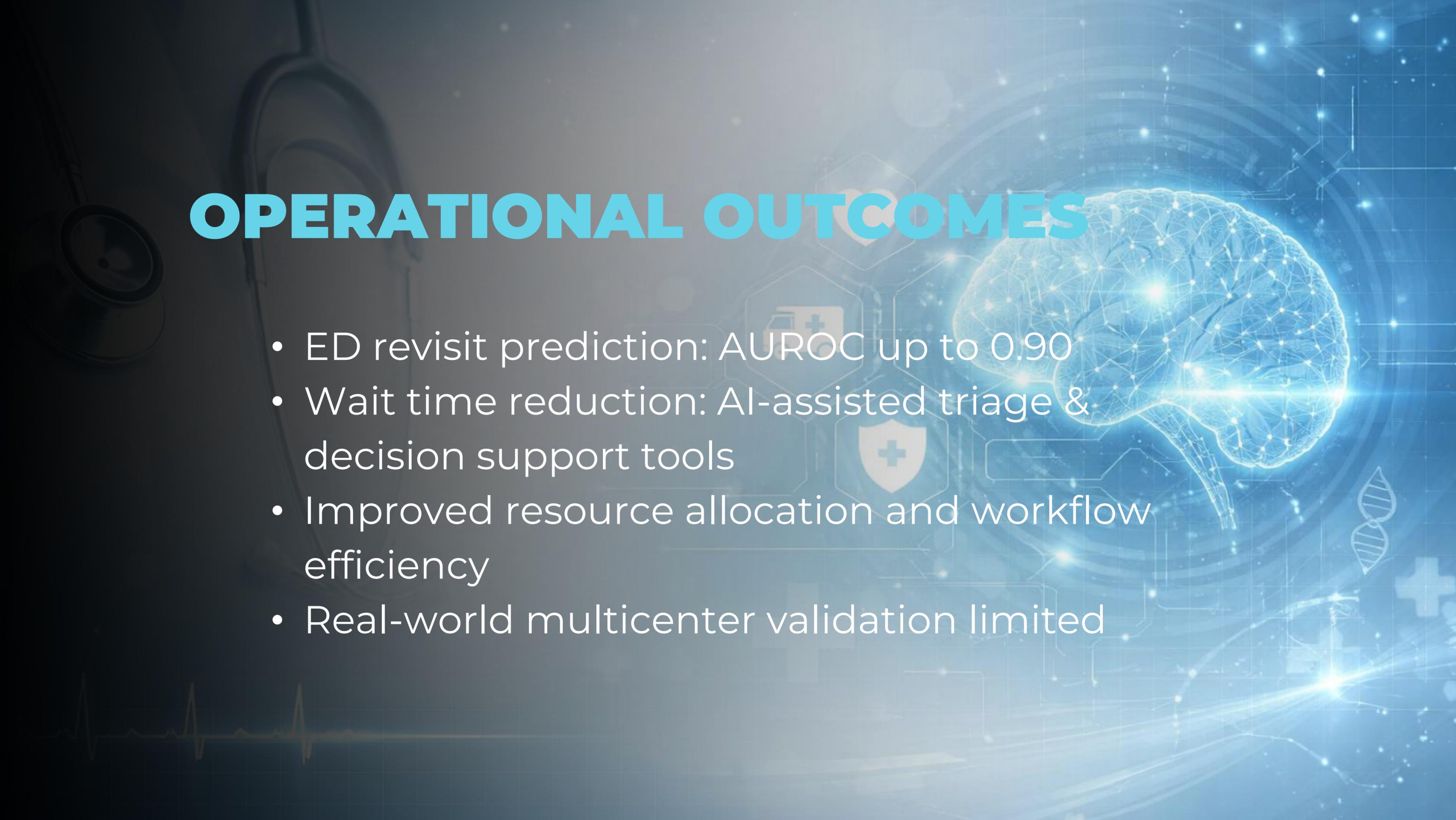


- High discrimination: AUROC 0.87–0.93 for early diagnosis & ED disposition
- Early risk stratification: Faster identification than conventional scores
- Data sources: EHRs, imaging, continuous vitals

TRIAGE & CLINICAL IMPACT

- Improved inter-rater consistency
- Reduced under-triage in high-acuity patients
- Dynamic AI models outperform static triage scales
- Some studies integrate NLP to extract structured triage data
- Majority retrospective, limited prospective trials

OPERATIONAL OUTCOMES



- ED revisit prediction: AUROC up to 0.90
- Wait time reduction: AI-assisted triage & decision support tools
- Improved resource allocation and workflow efficiency
- Real-world multicenter validation limited

ETHICAL, BIAS & GOVERNANCE CONCERNS

- Algorithmic bias: Risk if training datasets not representative
- Overfitting: Single-center or small sample studies
- Transparency & explainability: Explainable AI frameworks increase trust
- Data governance: Federated learning allows secure multicenter model training
- Regulatory oversight: Evolving, not standardized

STRENGTHS & LIMITATIONS OF CURRENT EVIDENCE

Strengths:

- High predictive discrimination
- Rapid technological development
- Multi-dataset validation in some studies

Limitations:

- Mostly retrospective studies
- Limited multicenter validation
- Sparse calibration reporting
- Few prospective trials or mortality outcome data

CONCLUSION

AI shows strong potential for diagnostic, triage, and operational improvements in EDs

Should be used as decision-support, not replacement for clinicians

Future directions:

- Multicenter prospective validation
- Structured clinical integration
- Cost-effectiveness and patient-centered outcome studies

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