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by Anna Markella Antoniadi, Yuhan Du, Yasmine Guendouz, Lan Wei, Claudia Mazo, Brett A. Becker and Catherine Mooney*

Appl. Sci. **2021**, 11(11), 5088; https://doi.org/10.3390/app11115088

Article:

Deep Learning-Based Methods for Prostate Segmentation in Magnetic Resonance Imaging

by Albert Comelli, Navdeep Dahiya, Alessandro Stefano*, Federica Vernuccio, Marzia Portoghese, Giuseppe Cutaia, Alberto Bruno, Giuseppe Salvaggio and Anthony Yezzi

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