



# Development and Validation of an AI-Based PD-L1 Tumor Proportion Scoring Algorithm in Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer

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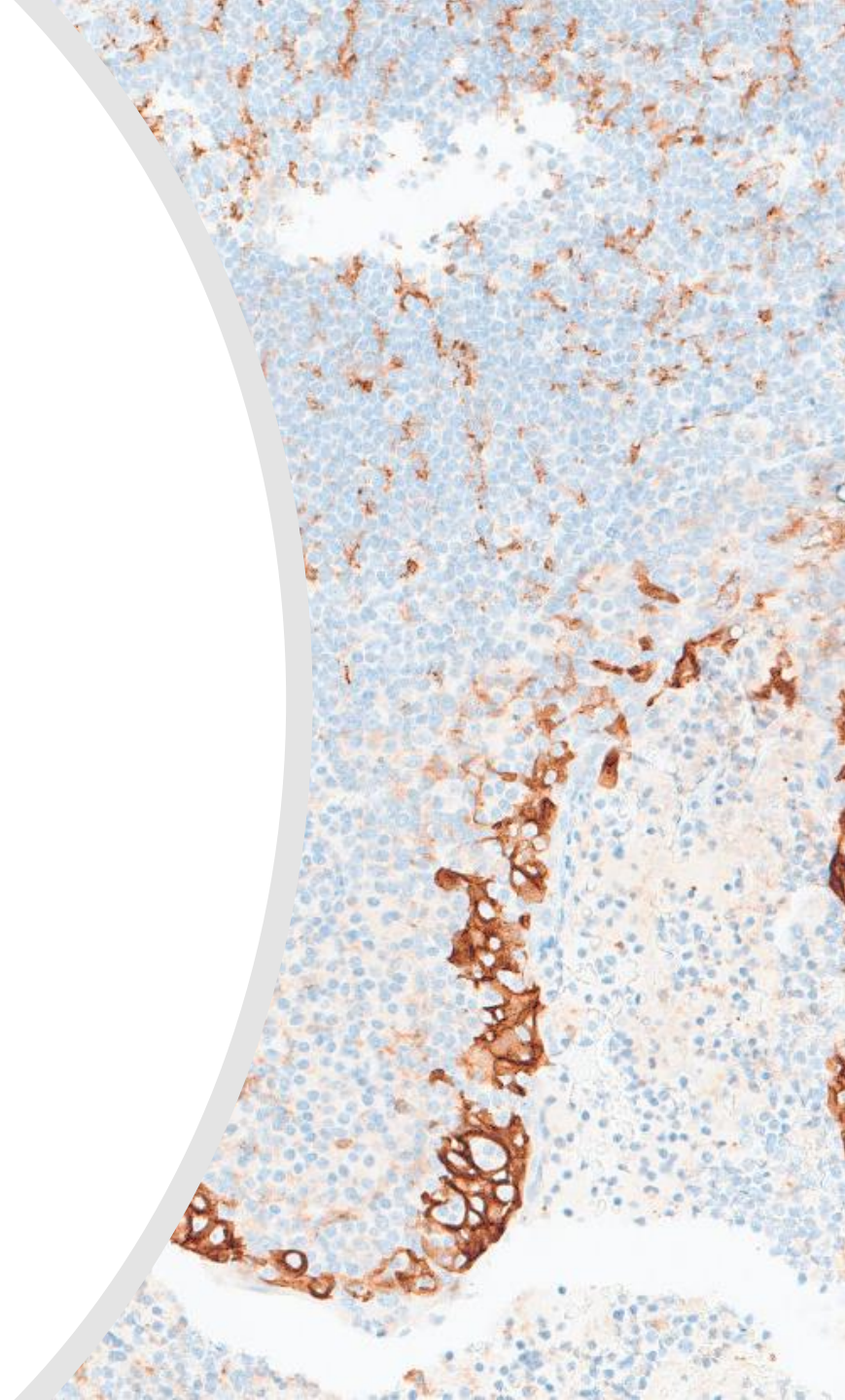
# INTRODUCTION

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Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer-related mortality worldwide, with non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) accounting for over 80% of all cases.<sup>1</sup> Programmed death-ligand 1 (PD-L1) expression on tumor cells is a response predictor to immune checkpoint inhibitor therapy and has become a cornerstone of first-line therapy for patients with advanced NSCLC without targetable alterations.<sup>2</sup> However, poor inter- and intra-observer concordance when reporting PD-L1 expression might result in patients receiving suboptimal treatment.<sup>3</sup>

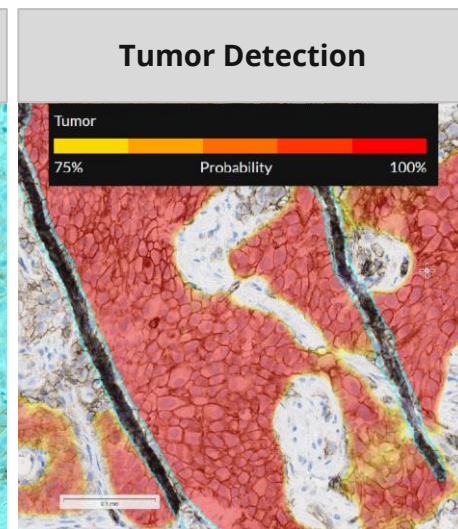
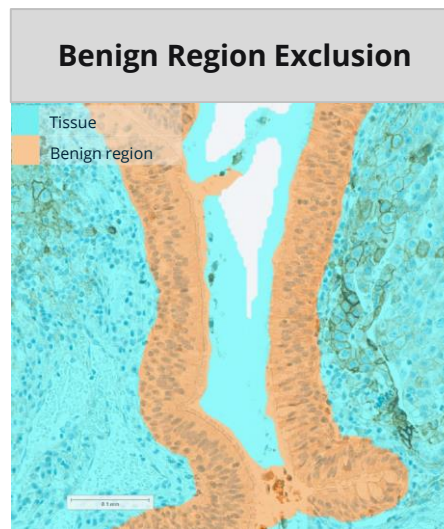
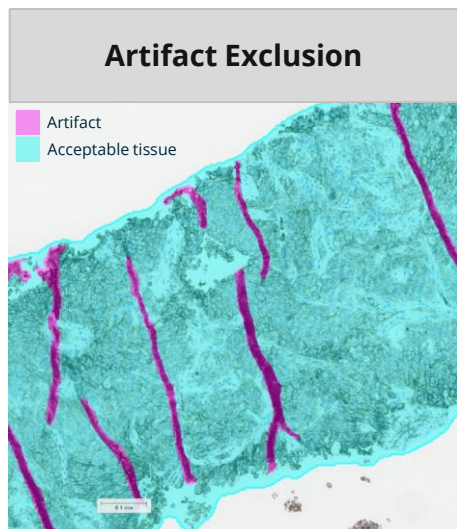
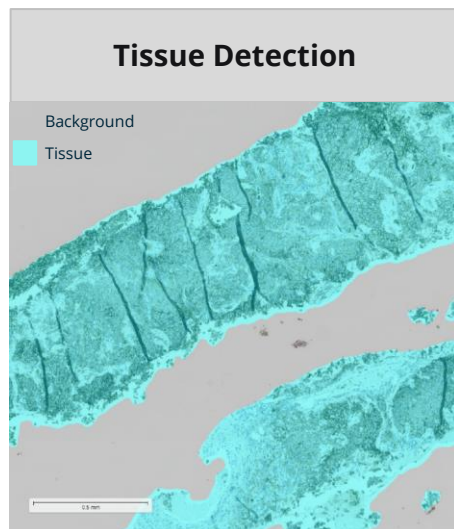
**Here, we present an AI-based algorithm for the clinical scoring of tumor PD-L1 expression in NSCLC samples to support pathologists and increase scoring consistency.**

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# HALO PD-L1 LUNG AI – ALGORITHM SETUP





## HALO PD-L1 LUNG AI – ALGORITHM SETUP

HALO AP S23-49633066 STATUS Ready PATIENT MRN DOB SEX Male Search Cases Case List Clinical Trials

PD-L1 [ICC] Off PD-L1 [ICC] Off

0.1 mm 0.1 mm

10.0 1X 2X 5X 10X 20X 40X 60X 80X

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0.1 mm 0.1 mm

Add Assay

- ✓ PDL1 - SP263 22c3 - Lung - v0.1
- ✓ ROI
- ✓ Tissue
- ✓ QC
- ✓ Normal Tissue Exclusion
- ✓ Tumor Regions
- ✓ PDL1 Analysis

PD-L1 Phenotyper v1.0

TPS Score	79.3
Total Cells	336,824
Total Tumor Cells	295,727
Other Cells	41,097
PD-L1 Tumor Positive Cells	234,552
PD-L1 Tumor Negative Cells	61,175

Approve Reject

HALO PD-L1 Lung AI user interface within Indica Labs' HALO AP® software.

PD-L1 Tumor Negative

PD-L1 Tumor Positive

Other

**PD-L1 Cell Classification:** 146,984 training annotations - *Res-18 based network*

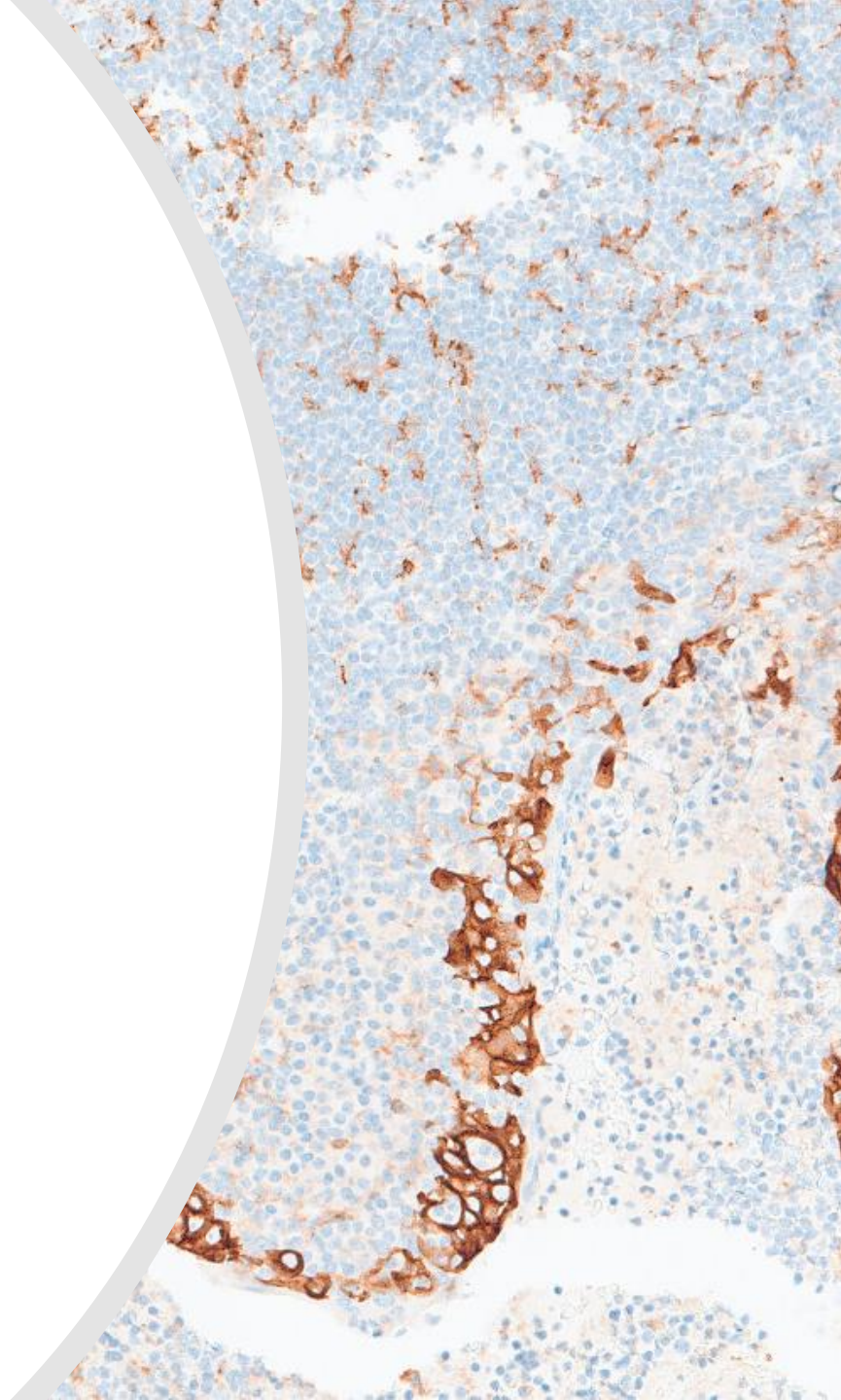
## VALIDATION – PD-L1 CLONE SP263

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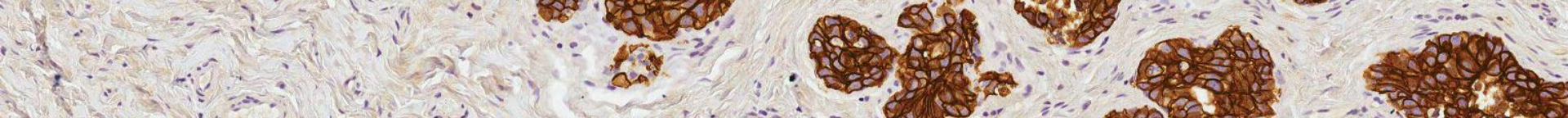
The algorithm was validated by comparing the tumor proportion score (TPS) from three pathologists with the TPS score obtained from HALO PD-L1 Lung AI on 203 whole slide images. HALO Link was used by the three pathologists for review and grading.



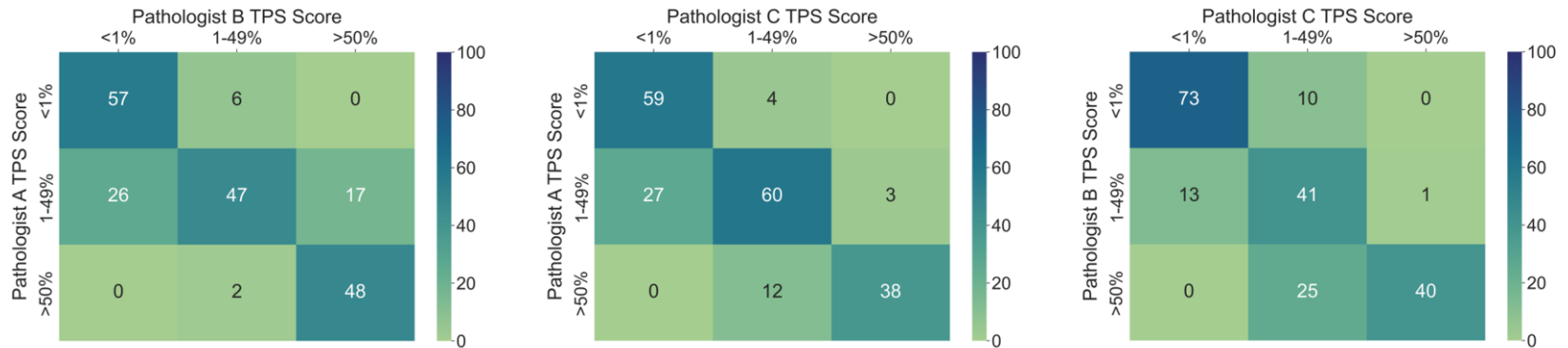
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## VALIDATION – SP263: INTEROBSERVER PERCENT AGREEMENT



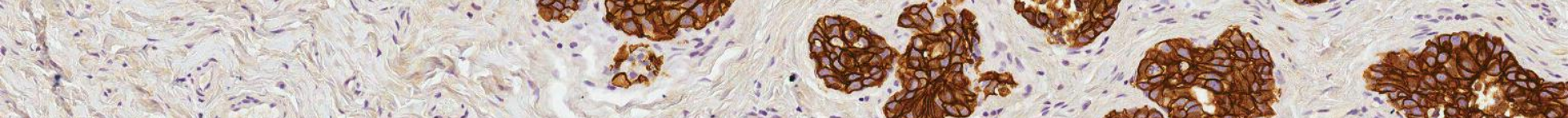
Confusion matrix plots for the pairwise pathologist agreement.

Percent Agreement	
All Pathologists	64.0
Pathologist A vs Pathologist B	74.9
Pathologist A vs Pathologist C	77.3
Pathologist B vs Pathologist C	75.9

Inter-observer pathologist agreement.

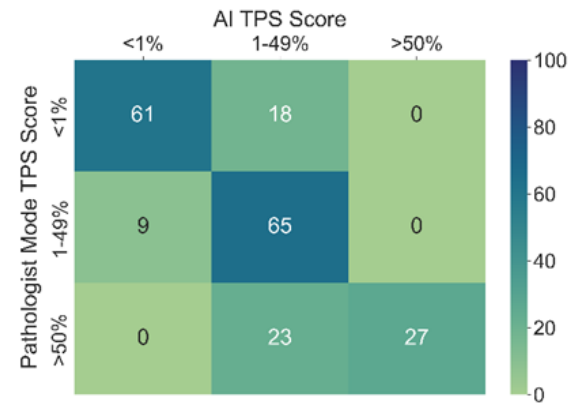
**The three pathologists were in complete agreement in 64.0% of the cases.**

In pairwise comparisons, percent agreement ranged from 74.9% to 77.3%.



## VALIDATION – SP263: PATHOLOGIST VS HALO PD-L1 LUNG AI

Percent Agreement	
Pathologist A vs <i>HALO PD-L1 Lung AI</i>	71.4
Pathologist B vs <i>HALO PD-L1 Lung AI</i>	66.0
Pathologist C vs <i>HALO PD-L1 Lung AI</i>	78.3
<b>Pathologist Mode vs <i>HALO PD-L1 Lung AI</i></b>	<b>75.4</b>



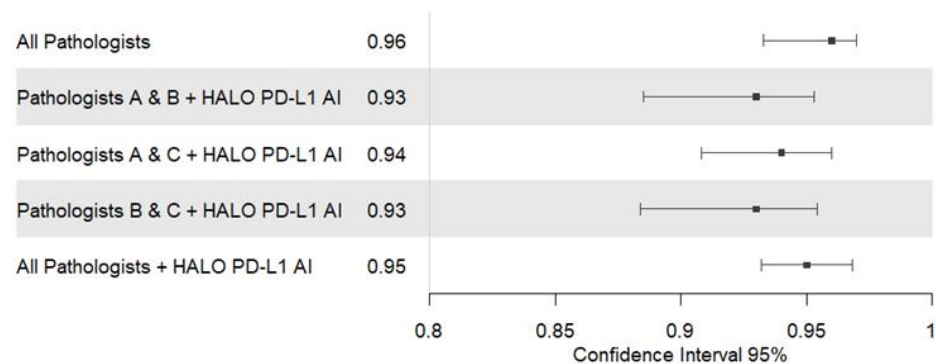
Pairwise agreement between each pathologist and HALO PD-L1 Lung AI, and confusion matrix plot for the agreement between the pathologists' mode TPS score and HALO PD-L1 Lung AI.

**Agreement of HALO PD-L1 Lung AI with the pathologists' mode was 75.4% overall (95% CI 0.69 – 0.81).**  
Agreement at the clinically relevant cut-offs ranged from 0.70 to 0.82.

## VALIDATION – SP263: INTRACLAS CORRELATION COEFFICIENT

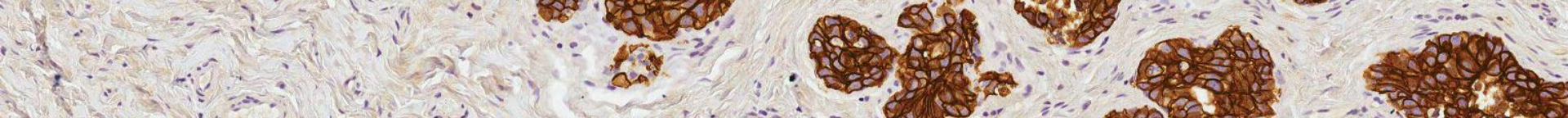
ICC between the pathologists was 0.96  
(95% CI 0.93 – 0.97).

**ICC between the pathologists and  
HALO PD-L1 Lung AI was 0.95**  
(95% CI 0.93 – 0.97).

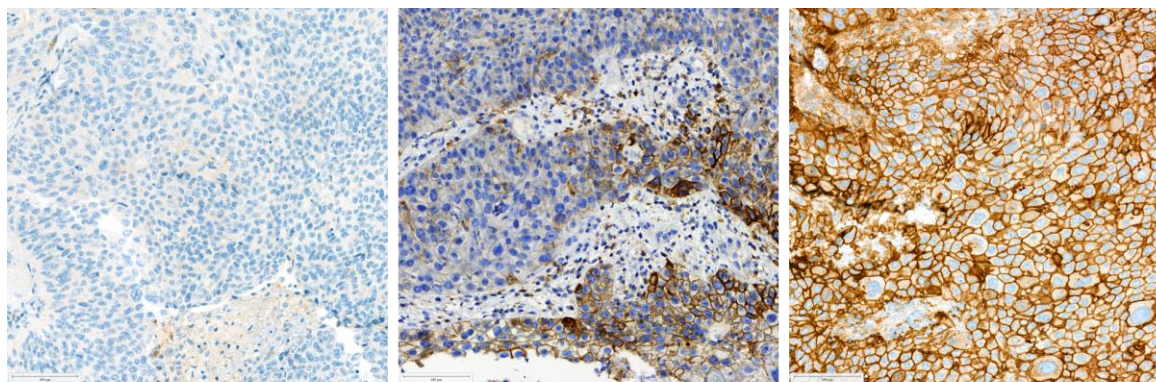


Confidence interval plot for the intraclass correlation coefficient.

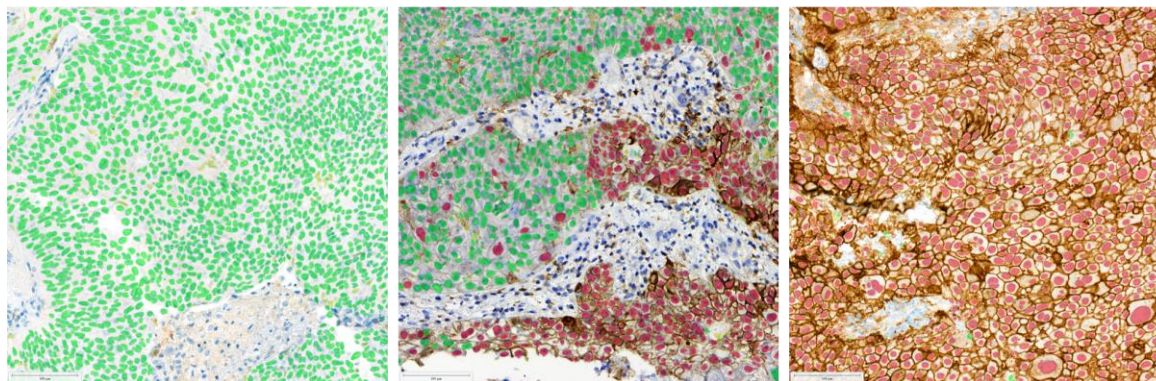




## VALIDATION – SP263: IMAGE MARKUP



Representative markups of HALO PD-L1 Lung AI on SP263 stained slides.



**PD-L1 Tumor Positive** in red, **PD-L1 Tumor Negative** in green and **Other** cells (immune or stromal cells) in yellow.

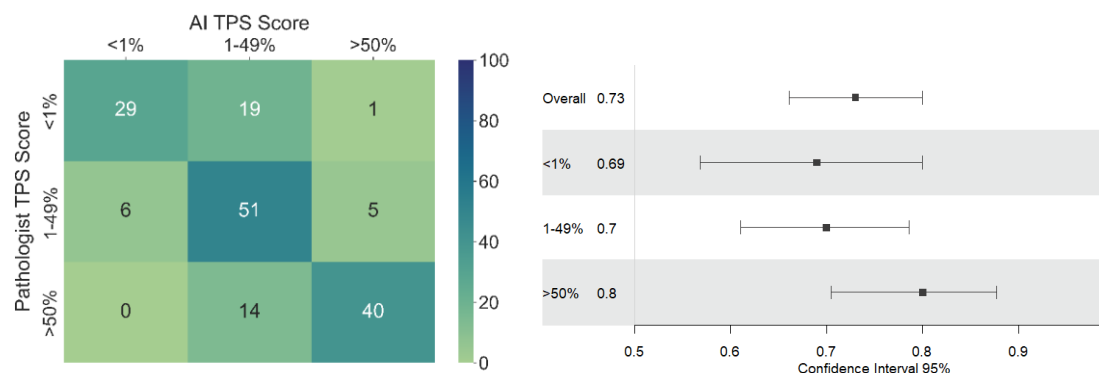
 PD-L1 Tumor Negative     PD-L1 Tumor Positive     Other

## PRELIMINARY VALIDATION RESULTS – PD-L1 CLONE 22C3

Comparison of the algorithm TPS scores to the clinical patient report from an independent institute across 165 22C3-stained WSI.

**Agreement of HALO PD-L1 Lung AI with the pathologist's TPS clinical report was 72.7% overall (95% CI 0.67 – 0.79).**

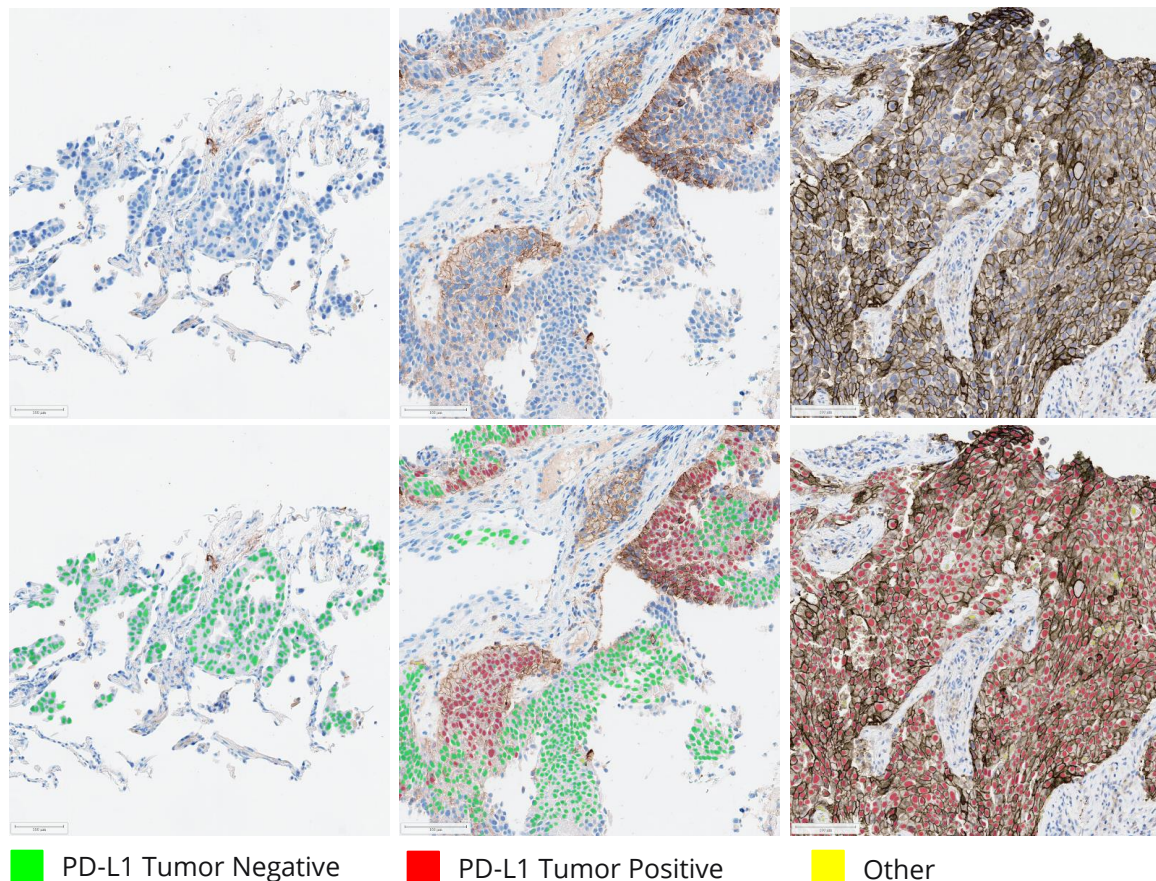
ICC between the algorithm and the pathologist's reported TPS scores was 0.95 (95% CI 0.93 – 0.96).



Confusion matrix plot for the agreement between the pathologist TPS score and HALO PD-L1 Lung AI and confidence interval plot for the percent agreement overall and at the clinically relevant cut-offs between the pathologist TPS score and HALO PD-L1 Lung AI.



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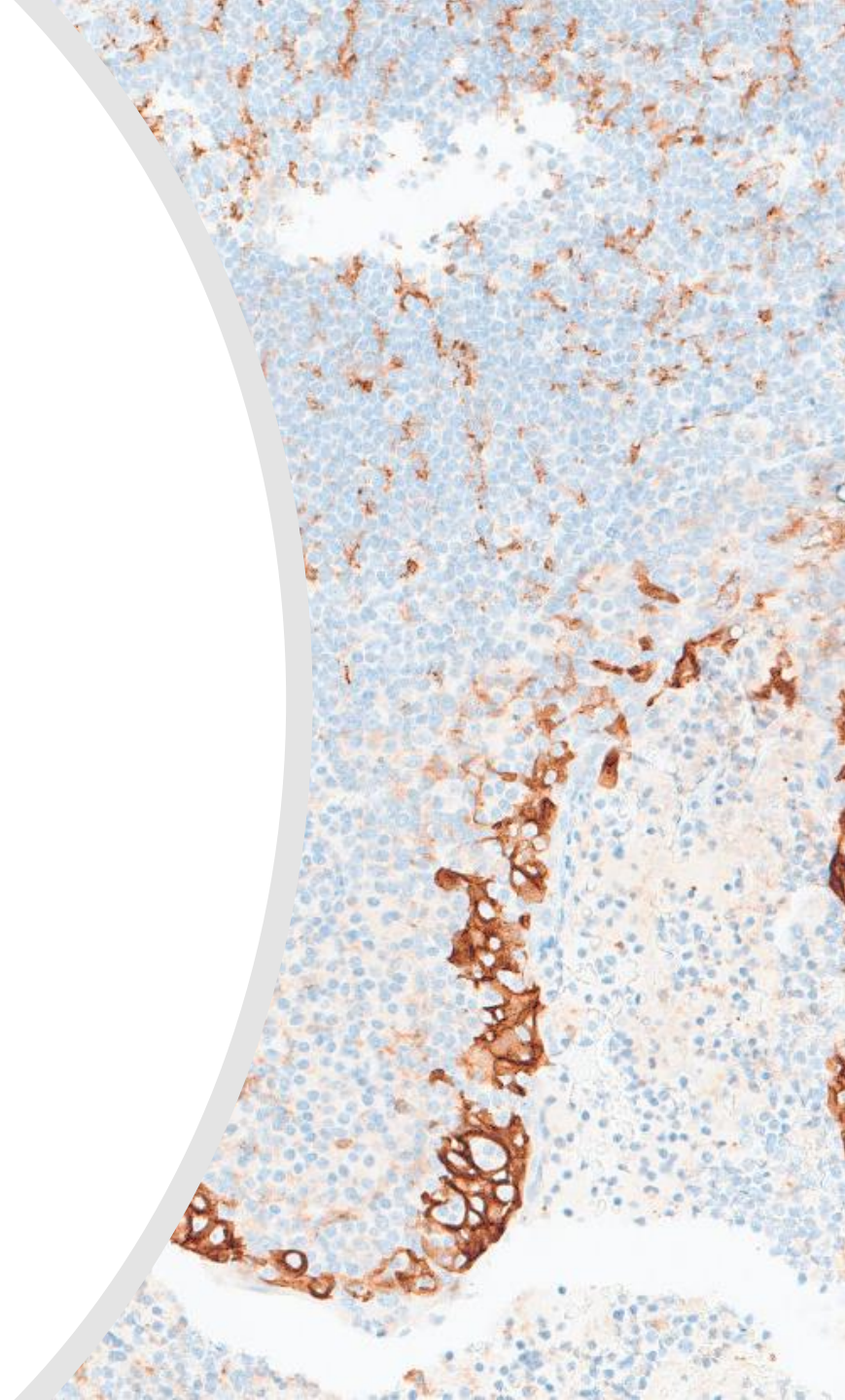


# CONCLUSIONS

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HALO PD-L1 Lung AI is in agreement with pathologist TPS scores in routine diagnostic cases.

Usage of HALO PD-L1 Lung AI in a diagnostic setting has the potential to support pathologists' scoring PD-L1, saving pathologists' time and ensuring consistency in the reported results.

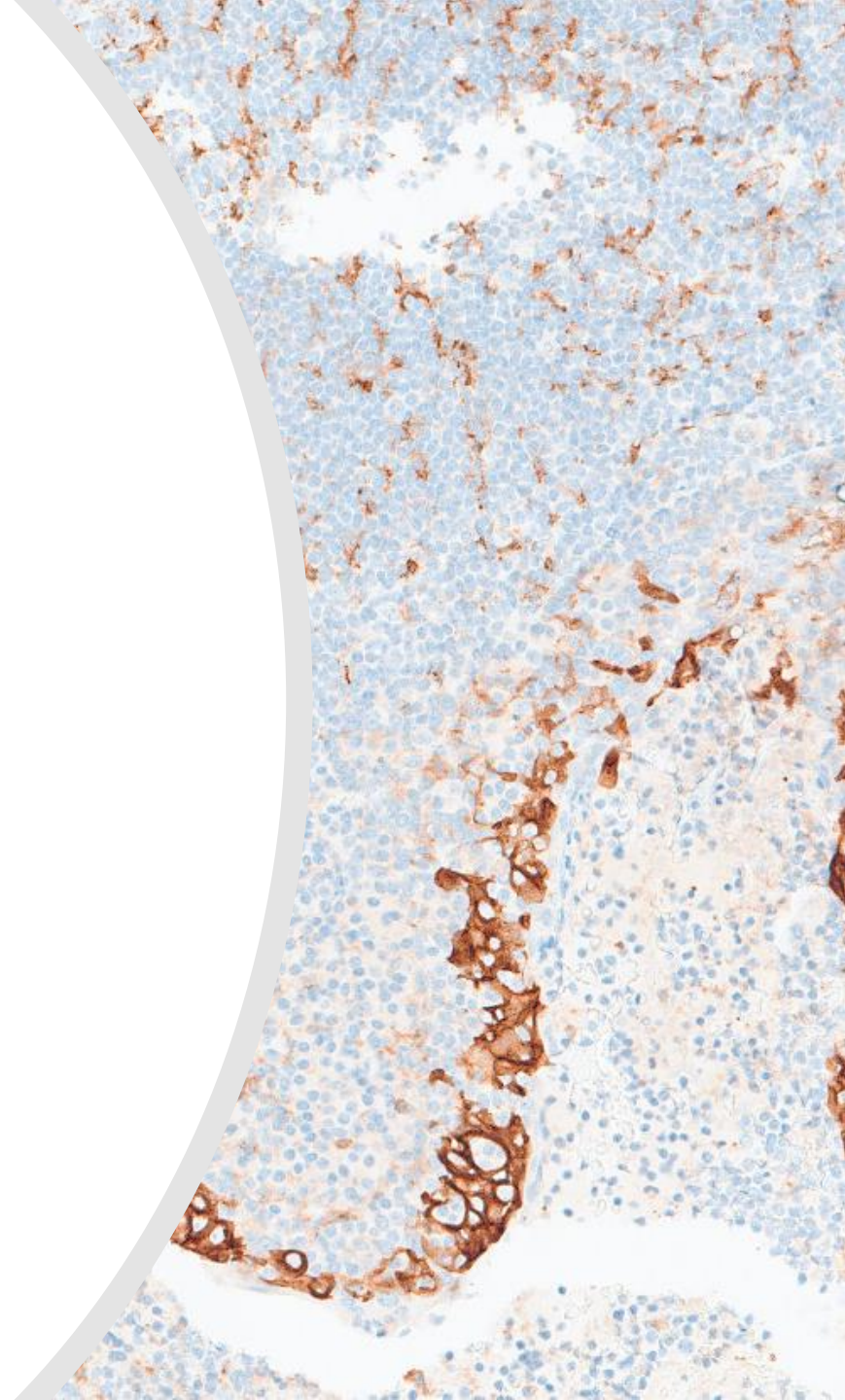




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# PRODUCT INFORMATION

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Learn more about HALO PD-L1 Lung AI by emailing [info@indicalab.com](mailto:info@indicalab.com).

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