



**PANEL #1**

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**Theme: Digital Healthcare Services**



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- **Digital Healthcare Service as Chance and Challenge**
- **AI-based Digital Health Services are powerful**

- Diagnostic services can detect rare diseases
- Therapies can be individualised
- Physical conditions can be monitored on a continuous basis
- Complex operations can be better supported
- Professional social platform support care experts

This can lead to a significant reduction in the burden on healthcare systems

- **Challenges**

- Handling personal data is critical (data ownership, privacy etc.)
- Questions of responsibility and liability
- Existing regulations and rigid health service systems are often obstacles for digital health services



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## PATIENT EXPERIENCE - PX

- **Artificial Intelligence and Data Analytics in Healthcare**
  - How can AI and data-driven healthcare support the journey and experience of patients and health professionals?
- **Mobile Health**
  - How can mobile apps improve health management and disease monitoring?
  - How do wearables improve patient care?



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## PATIENT EXPERIENCE - PX

We have limited experience in the healthcare segment. However, let me share what our research and projects involving digital technology—especially CX, UX, AI, wearables, mobile apps, and data-driven strategies in general—have taught us.

### Key-factors for success include:

- Omnichannel integration must be genuine and unified within a single platform (without this, at scale, it tends to be a fallacy).
- Monitoring transactional data often reveals more than users typically tell us (or prefer not to tell us).
- Data-driven decision-making should be top-down, where macro KPIs uncover opportunities in other micro indicators.



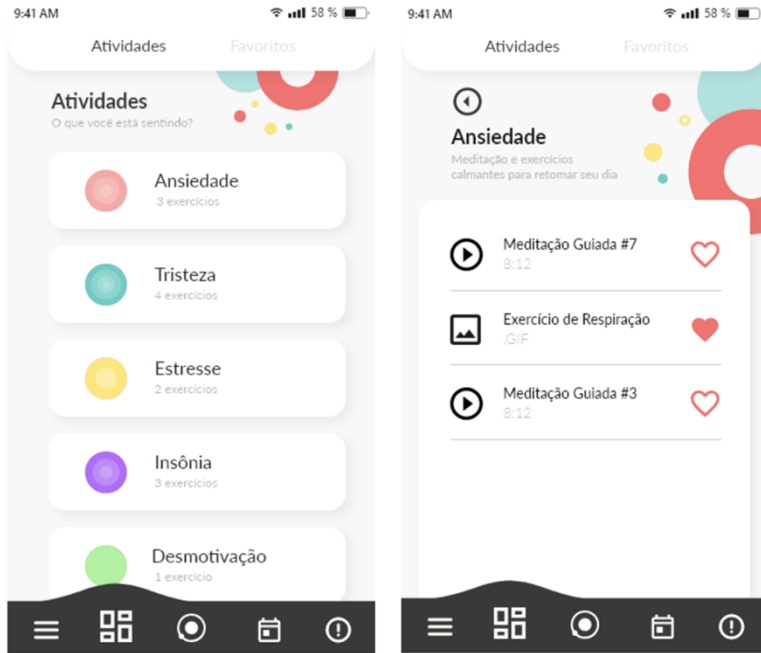
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## Our approaches

**Area:** Digital Innovation

**Subjects:** CX Journey, Creative data analysis, Generative AIs

**Topics:** Wearables, Digital B...



### Exploring the Utilization of Generative Artificial Intelligence Tools with Design Students

### 4. Resultados

Table 3: Results of the chatbot accuracy rate across the three criteria

Test	Chatbot	The single event (X) is ranked as more probable than the conjunction (X∧Y)	The output mentions the conjunction rule or conjunction fallacy	The reasoning aligns with the probability theory/conjunction rule
LPSV	ChatGPT	98.5%	98.5%	98.5%
LPSV	Gemmi	92.6%	98.5%	91.2%
MPSV	ChatGPT	42.6%	0.0%	19.1%
MPSV	Gemmi	58.8%	0.0%	29.4%
LPEV	ChatGPT	55.9%	26.5%	54.4%
LPEV	Gemmi	16.2%	42.6%	20.6%
MPEV	ChatGPT	26.5%	0.0%	7.4%
MPEV	Gemmi	41.2%	0.0%	27.9%



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## Digital Healthcare – the attention should surprise no one!

### Unlikely that today's global health systems can cope without Digital Health! Here's why:

- Chronic disease prevalence is rising
- We are living for longer, generally!
- Number of healthcare professionals is not rising at same pace
- The clamor to broaden access and reduce health inequalities
- Patient expectations of better health system experience

### Healthcare is moving/will continue to move closer to the home

- Global health systems reportedly lose approx. \$2 trillion annually, due to wastage
- Over 75% of WHO Member States apparently use some form of remote patient monitoring
- Global Digital Health market could potentially be worth over \$800 billion by 2027

**NHS<sup>x</sup>**  
**Digitise, connect, transform**  
Guidelines for digitised healthcare

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**digital health**  
Infographic by The Medical Futurist

**WHO GUIDELINE**  
**RECOMMENDATIONS**  
**ON DIGITAL**  
**INTERVENTIONS**  
**FOR HEALTH SYSTEM**  
**STRENGTHENING**

**Will Digital Health Widen Or Close The Health Inequity Gap?**  
Bertalan Meskó, MD, PhD  
Director of The Medical Futurist Institute (Keynote Speaker, Researcher, Author & Futurist)

**SteerHealth FIERCE**  
**Navigating Health Systems' Financial Challenges**  
A Comprehensive Strategy for Sustainable Growth.  
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## Digital Healthcare – What exactly is it?

### ■ Digital Health (All Health Tech is not Digital Health!)

- Technology that facilitates better health and well being
  - Connects patients and healthcare providers
  - Collates and tracks health data
  - Provides support for the patient
  - Examples include mobile health apps, wearable devices, telemedicine, remote patient monitoring, predictive analytics platforms etc

### ■ Opportunities for some serious benefits: From Big Data, AI/LLMs, IoT applications, and to wearables

- Efficiency in workflows – augmenting decision making
- Risk identification & Facilitating preventative care
- Reducing pressure on healthcare resources
- Mitigating medication errors
- Improving access security and scalability of initiatives

Ambiguity is the real definition of digital health. Digital health is a very broad term. In emerging technology, the same words mean different things. Make sure you ask the right questions to determine what “digital” actually means.

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## Digital health technologies



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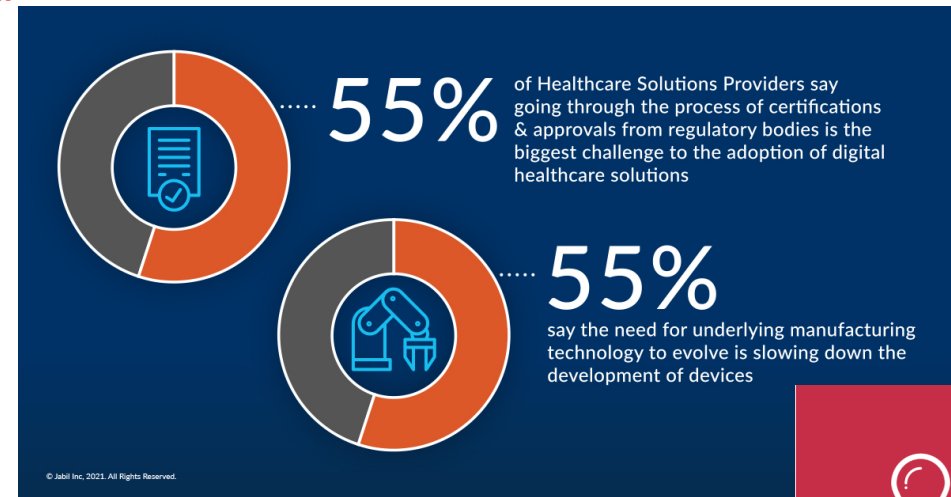
## Gaps remain but opportunities should not be missed

### Digital Health Challenges

- Interoperability of systems
- Data security and patient safety considerations
- Inequality in digital literacy
- Technology and ethics – who's responsible for what?
- Regulatory oversight

### Looking Ahead: Key Considerations

- Separate reality from fantasy!
- Not just about market need but also about market demand
- Plan early for regulatory and funding considerations
- Innovate from the frontline: Technical meets Clinical
- Forget the one-size-fits-all approach



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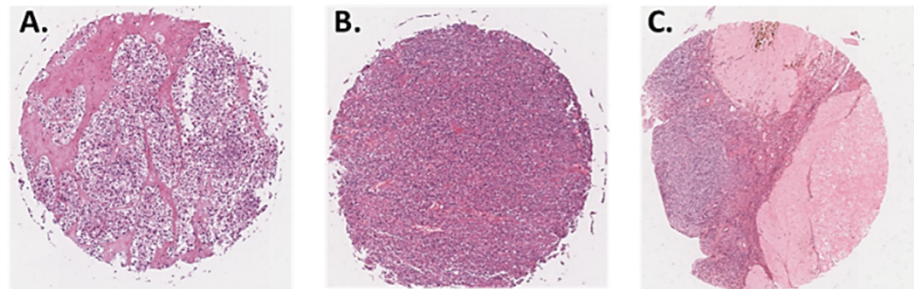


# Panelist Position: Context-aware AI

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- AI-ready data: Data sharing and integrity

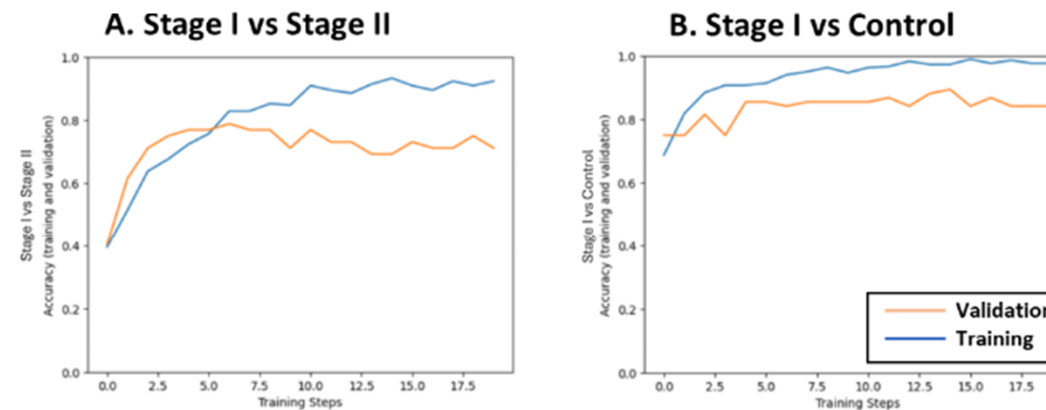


Creation of imaging database from whole slide images using H&E stained TMAs. Representative images from: Stage I OC (n=3,098) (A); Stage II OC (n=805) (B); normal control (C).

Early stage ovarian cancer detection with help of AI



Prof Tatiana  
Kalganova



Model accuracy learning curves, using machine learning image classifier for stratifying early-stage OC histopathology images. The step-by-step training evolution of the machine learning classifier learning to differentiate: (A) Stage I vs stage II, and (B) Stage I vs control.





# Panelist Position: System approach

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- D. clinic
- Diabetes, scientifically known as Diabetes Mellitus, is a chronic disease, affecting 463 million people all around the world, that causes high blood glucose levels. Blood glucose is a person's main source of energy which comes from the food eaten. In this project a conceptionally new framework has been introduced to help diabetics better manage their diabetes. This Framework includes the introduction and implementation of three different parts that represent an artificial Diabetes Clinic: the artificial doctor, PRISM, the artificial dietician, Pepper, and the artificial Nurse, Niko the NurseBot.

