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UK to open new AI medical centres

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The UK Government has announced plans to open five new centres of excellence focused on the use of artificial intelligence (AI) for digital pathology and medical imaging.

In line with the country's Industrial Strategy, the new initiative aims to accelerate disease diagnosis with advances in medical technology. The detection of diseases at an earlier stage is expected to improve patient outcomes.

The new AI medical centres will receive a total of £50 million of funding under the government's Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund. They are set to be led by some of the country's biggest medical companies such as GE Healthcare, Siemens, Philips, Leica, Canon and Roche Diagnostics.

Doctors, businesses and academics will join these facilities to create digital technology-based products for medical use. These products will be designed to enable more personalised treatment.