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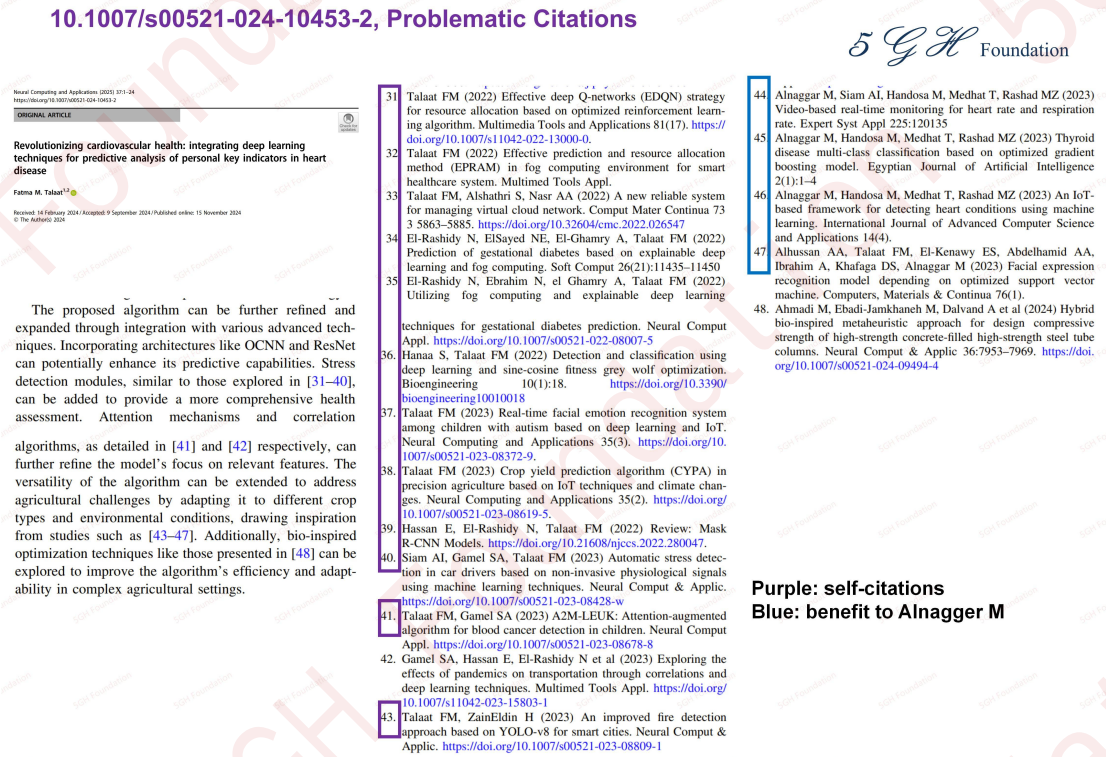
Problematic Citations on 10.1007/s00521-024-10453-2

Several problematic citations are found on this article [1]:



This article has 12 self-citations (Ref 31-41, 43), all of which were clustered on the Discussion section. Ten of these 12 self-citations were cited within a single statement "Stress detection modules, similar to those explored in [31–40], can be added to provide a more comprehensive health assessment", however, the 5GH Team noted that some of these self-citations (such as Ref 33 and 38) are unrelated to health researches. The unusually high density of self-citations within this statement raises concerns about whether they were included to manipulate citation metrics rather than substantively enrich the study's context.

The reference 44-47 were co-authored by a same researcher, Alnagger M. These 4 references were grouped within a same statement "The versatility of the algorithm can be extended to address agricultural challenges by adapting it to different crop types and environmental

conditions, drawing inspiration from studies such as [43–47]", however, none of these 4 references are about "agricultural challenges". It remains unknown if these 4 references were suggested by the reviewers, or they were cited with other reasons.

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