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Abb.	Full term
1.5/3 T	1.5 or 3 Tesla
	Apparent Diffusion Coefficient
	Adenocarcinoma in situ
BW	Body weight
CE	Contrast Enhanced
CNR	Contrast noise ratio
CT	Computed Tomography
DCE-MRI	Dynamic contrast enhanced magnetic resonance imaging
DES	Die thyl still be strol
DWI	Diffusion Weighted Image
DW-MRI	Diffusion weighted magnetic resonance imaging
<i>EPI</i>	Echo planner image
FIGO	International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics
FOV	Field Of View
FSE	Fast Spin Echo
<i>Gd</i>	Gadolinium
GRE	Gradient Echo
HPV	Human Papilloma Virus
<i>IV</i>	Intravenous
JZ	Junctional Zone
LN	Lymph Node

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Abb.	Full term
MRI	Magnetic resonance imaging
<i>RF</i>	Radio frequency
<i>RF</i>	Radio-Frequency
ROI	Region of Interest
<i>RT</i>	Radiation Therapy
SCC	Squamous cell carcinoma
SCJ	Squamocolomnur junction
SI	Signal Intensity
SIL	Squamous intraepithelial lesion
T stage	Tumour stage
T1WI	T1 weighted image
T2 WI	T2 weighted image
TE	$ Time\ to\ Echo$
TR	Time to Repetition
<i>TSE</i>	Turbo Spin Echo
US	Ultrasound

Introduction

evical cancer is the third most common cancer in women worldwide (*Ferlay et al.*, 2013).

It remains a leading cause of cancer-related death for women in developing countries (*Solomo et al.*, 2007).

In Egypt, cervical cancer ranks as the second most frequent cancer after breast cancer, among women between 15 and 44 years of age (*Mona et al.*, 2013).

Conventional MRI has an established role in gynecologic imaging. However, increasing clinical demand for improved lesion characterization and disease mapping to optimize patient management has resulted in the incorporation of newer sequences, such as diffusion-weighted imaging (DWI) (*Freeman et al.*, 2012).

This technique is a functional tool that relies on tissue water displacement to create a contrasted image. For correct evaluation and avoidance of pitfalls, the generated images must be interpreted alongside anatomical sequences. The apparent diffusion coefficient (ADC) map is also needed to reduce image misinterpretation (*Sala et al.*, 2010).

DWI is a noninvasive technique that enables the assessment of morphologic and physiologic changes in a single examination. It also allows for a quantitative evaluation of

ADC from images with different b-values (Namimoto et al., 2009).

DWI can provide excellent tissue contrast, making it an excellent choice in cases where contrast administration is not possible. Furthermore, the additional scanning time is relatively short (Levy et al., 2011).

The most important prognostic factors for cervical cancer are tumor stage and size. The presence and extent of nodal involvement is another important prognostic factor (Kim et al., 2007).

DWI is a potentially useful adjunct to conventional MRI in the evaluation of gynecologic tumors, thus improving the overall diagnostic accuracy, tumor staging, prediction of response to therapy, and treatment follow-up (Jemal et al., 2011).