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Empowering Hair Health with Intelligent Hair Disease Detection Systems

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***Abstract* - Hair diseases are common health problems that affect the hair and scalp. These range from benign disorders such as dandruff to more serious ones such as Alopecia Areata, which causes hair loss. Because of these things, people are afraid to even face society. Hair illnesses are a significant public health problem, and early detection can help avoid hair loss and other consequences. Also, there are different doctors for these hair diseases and each doctor does not know about every disease. Therefore, patients do not have proper understanding about which doctor they should meet for this disease. Therefore, this is also a big problem that patients face. This study will help to identify coverage conditions, early diagnosis, guide the patient on healthy practices and even the treatment needed. Also symptoms of the patient, it is possible to predict which disease the patient is suffering from. Also this study helps to who are the right doctors for those hair diseases, where are those doctors located. Machine learning, Image processing, Internet of things and Natural language processing have been used for this. Here the disease can be identified by image processing and its accuracy is 98.52%. Convolution neural network, transfer learning is used for this. Also, deep learning model and Pytorch framework have been used to suggest the treatment required for the disease. Accuracy will be displayed on the notebook file. Also, deep learning model and Lang chain OpenAI, py pdf are used to predict the disease from the symptoms. Its accuracy is 95.52%. Also, EasyOCR, Lang chain has been used to analyze the disease by the patient's prescription and send necessary reminders. Lang chain is a generative algorithm. The proposed system seeks to provide a comprehensive solution for the categorization, diagnosis, and treatment of hair illnesses through the use of Internet of Things-enabled wearable sensors, machine learning algorithms, and natural language processing techniques.**

Keywords: Hair Disease, Machine Learning, IOT, NLP, Lang chain, Image Processing.

I. INTRODUCTION

Hair and scalp disorders have a significant impact on individuals' well-being, affecting their appearance, self-esteem, and overall quality of life [1]. Various conditions, including head lice infestations, alopecia areata, telogen effluvium, tinea capitis, and folliculitis, contribute to the complex landscape of hair and scalp disorders [2][3][6]. However, effectively managing and treating these disorders remains a challenge for healthcare providers and patients alike [4][7].

In recent years, advancements in technology, particularly in the realm of intelligent hair disease management systems and mobile applications, have shown promise in addressing these challenges [1]. These innovative approaches aim to enhance the accuracy and accessibility of hair disease analysis, diagnosis, and treatment, ultimately improving the quality of life for individuals affected by these conditions [1].

This research builds upon previous studies and aims to empower hair health through the identification, understanding, and development of effective treatments for various hair and scalp disorders. By leveraging intelligent systems and mobile applications, this study seeks to overcome the barriers associated with costly and inaccessible comprehensive hair disease analysis [1][9]. By making these tools readily available, the research intends to increase awareness among the general population regarding hair diseases and their management [2].

One of the key research problems addressed in this study is the challenge of accurate diagnosis and differentiation of hair diseases [2][3][6]. The overlapping symptoms and diagnostic ambiguity of various disorders often lead to misdiagnosis or delayed diagnosis, resulting in ineffective or inappropriate treatments [2][8]. Furthermore, selecting suitable treatments that do not exacerbate hair damage is a critical concern [4]. Harsh or inadequate treatments can worsen the condition or compromise the overall health of the hair [4].

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To tackle these research problems, this study proposes the integration of intelligent hair disease management systems and mobile applications [1]. By utilizing advanced technologies such as machine learning, natural language processing (NLP), and IoT devices, these systems enable accurate diagnosis, personalized treatment recommendations, and real-time monitoring [1]. Through a user-friendly mobile application, individuals can access comprehensive information about hair diseases, track their progress, and receive tailored treatment plans that prioritize hair health preservation [1][5].

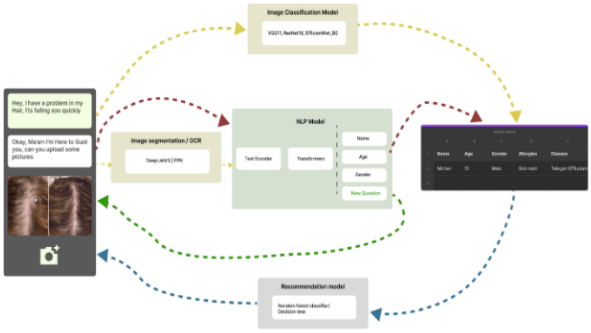

Figure 1: System Diagram

By addressing these challenges and leveraging technology, this research aims to improve the overall management and treatment of hair and scalp disorders. The integration of intelligent systems and mobile applications offers the potential to revolutionize the field, providing accurate diagnosis, personalized treatment options, and ongoing monitoring for individuals affected by these conditions. Through increased awareness and accessibility, this research has the potential to significantly enhance the quality of life for individuals living with hair and scalp disorders while reducing the burden on healthcare systems.

II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Health informatics is seeing an increase in the use of machine learning techniques for disease identification. Images of the affected areas can be used to identify numerous skin and scalp illnesses in a matter of seconds. In one study by [10], a framework is created to distinguish between healthy hair and alopecia areata. They collected 68 hair photos with alopecia areata from DermNet and 200 photographs of healthy hair from the figaro1K dataset. Three important features—texture, shape, and color—were retrieved from the photos via a series of enhancement and segmentation steps. For the classification challenge, the researchers used a support vector machine (SNM) and k-nearest neighbor (KNN) and divided the dataset into 70%-30% train-test-split. Overall, they used SVM and KNN, respectively, and a 10-fold cross-validation method to attain accuracy rates of 91.4% and 88.9%. Additionally, this study solely addressed the alopecia areata disease, excluding the inter-class distinctions between other diseases of a similar type. This increased the possibility of incorrectly predicting other diseases as having the same symptoms as alopecia areata, making this framework less trustworthy.

Another study [11] put forth a model for detecting alopecia in its early stages. For this study, 100 samples were used, with 80% serving as training data and the remaining 20% serving as testing data. They examined four characteristics: the length of the hair, the brittleness of the nails, the degree of hair damage, and the hair follicle. For detection, a two-layer feed-forward network with a back propagation mechanism was employed. The suggested model system, which consists of four input neurons, ten hidden neurons, and a linear output neuron, attained a validation accuracy of 86.7% and a training accuracy of 91%. With a 0.059687 gradient, epoch 4 was when it performed the best. The study, however, also has some flaws because the authors failed to identify the source of their data or distinguish between distinct data classes according to their respective sample sizes. Similarly, in this study, they focused only on one disease called alopecia.

This study [14] constructed a machine-learning model that precisely identifies three hair and scalp-related diseases: alopecia, folliculitis, and psoriasis. By integrating 150 preprocessed image data into a 2-D convolutional neural network model, this study examined the remaining 30% of photos for model testing after 70% of the data were used to train the model. Following additional training, the model offered an overall training accuracy of 96.2% for the training data and a validation accuracy of 91.1% for the test data, with precision and recall scores for each disease category. This study provides patients with a better grasp of illness classification and early treatment choices for the three most prevalent hair and scalp conditions. Similarly, in this study, they have focused only on three diseases called alopecia, folliculitis, and psoriasis.

Related research [12] was done on the detection of skin diseases, and eczema, melanoma, and psoriasis were identified by using machine learning to assess digital images of the affected skin area. 80 photos from several websites that focus on skin problems make up their dataset. They obtained 100% accuracy in disease classification by extracting features with a convolutional neural network, then applying multiclass SVM to those features. Another skin disease detection-based article [13] put forth a plan to categorize skin lesions into five groups: healthy, acne-free, eczema-free, benign, and malignant melanoma. They did this by using a pre-trained CNN model, Alex NET for feature extraction, and support vector machines with error-correcting output for classification.

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The dataset consists of 9144 photos from various sources, and using a 10-fold cross-validation technique, 84.21% accuracy was attained. However, they did not identify the relevant or critical problems and symptoms through the patient.

Overall, we observed very few works on hair diseases. The recent related works lack at least one of the following extracting medical records and providing useful information according to its data processing, obtaining symptoms from the patient and providing treatment and other information accordingly, as well as capturing real-time images of the area of the hair disease and providing treatment and necessary information. In this work, Likewise, we provide these functions for the 5 common hair diseases in society namely Head lice, Alopecia areata, Telogen Effluvium, Tinea Capitis, and Folliculitis. Efforts have also been made to maintain the accuracy of those tasks at a very high value.

III. METHODOLOGY

This research project takes a methodical approach to its major goal of building an intelligent hair illness detection system. The definition of the research topic and the development of a study design that includes data collection techniques, data sources, and sample processes are the first steps in research methodology. A survey of hair care routines and behaviors, as well as research of existing hair illness detection technologies, were used to obtain data.

A) Data Collection

A multifaceted approach used to create a complete database of hair illnesses and treatment options, including a thorough examination of the literature, analysis of physician prescriptions, and data gathering on symptoms for disease prediction. A comprehensive literature evaluation is the initial stage, which entails reading current research publications, medical journals, and expert comments. The purpose of this article is to provide readers with a thorough overview of hair illnesses, including their causes, symptoms, and potential treatments. It gives the database a solid knowledge base. Medical records and professional interviews or questionnaires used to gather information for the doctor's prescription analysis. With the aid of this kind of data collecting, the database may be expanded with knowledge about the practices of healthcare professionals by learning more about the treatments that are recommended by doctors. Various data gathering methods used to forecast hair illnesses based on symptoms. These included using data from resources such as Kaggle.com or Open ML, surveys, interviews, and other methods. A comprehensive data set was created by collecting data on the history, symptoms, severity and evolution of hair disorders. In order to create an intelligent system for detecting hair diseases, this data evaluated to find trends and patterns in hair care methods. It is crucial to follow ethical standards and protect the participants' privacy and confidentiality throughout the whole data gathering process. It's important to have the required permits and authorization, especially when looking through medical information or speaking with healthcare providers. A comprehensive and meaningful database of hair diseases and available treatments has been created by combining several data collection methods, including literature reviews, prescription analysis, and symptom-based data collection.

B) Data Preprocessing

After being gathered, the data is cleansed and put into a structured database. To guarantee accuracy and consistency, the data need to be formatted and standardized.

C) Data Analysis

Throughout this phase of data analysis, we focused on finding patterns and relationships between symptoms and disease. The collected information, including symptoms, severity of illness and evolution of the disease, was analyzed statistically and predictive models were built. Initially we used descriptive statistics to summarize and characterize the data. To understand the central tendency, variability, and distribution of symptoms and other important factors in our data set, this includes computational metrics such as mean, median, and standard deviation. We have obtained a complete overview of the data using descriptive statistics. The next step is to use correlation analysis to find links between symptoms and diseases. To ascertain the strength and direction of the associations, correlation coefficients like Pearson's correlation or Spearman's rank correlation are computed. We have gained insight into possible trends and learned how symptoms are related to certain diseases by using correlation analysis. Machine learning techniques have been used to create predictive models. The obtained data may be used to train supervised learning algorithms, such as decision trees, logistic regression, or support vector machines, to predict the likelihood of illnesses based on provided symptoms. To do this, the data must be divided into training and testing sets, the model trained on the training set, and the model's performance assessed on the testing set. The prediction models produced by this study can offer insightful information and help with symptom-based detection of probable hair illnesses. It is very important to ensure that the data set we used and the data analysis techniques used are appropriate for the research questions. Consider each statistical analysis approach and machine learning algorithm's constraints and underlying assumptions as well.

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D) Model Development

To develop a prediction model based on the data analysis, deep learning techniques used. To make sure the model is reliable and generalizable, it trained on historical data and evaluated on fresh data. Its goal to predict a patient's health based on their symptoms and past.

Using deep learning techniques such as neural networks that can find complex patterns and correlations in data, we have created predictive models. The dataset generated in the preceding phases used to train the model. It comprises data on symptoms, sickness severity levels, and disease development, as well as patient-related variables including age, gender, medical history, and allergies. During the training phase, the model developed its ability to identify patterns in the input data and make connections between symptoms and associated hair diseases. The internal settings were optimized to reduce prediction mistakes and increase accuracy. To make sure the model is effective in predicting the patient's state, its performance is assessed using the proper assessment measures. The model may be used to evaluate a patient's hair disease symptoms and offer individualized therapy choices once it has been trained and verified. After inputting the patient's individual symptoms and relevant parameters, the model makes predictions and suggestions based on patterns learned from the training data. To tailor treatment choices appropriately, the algorithm takes into account various patient-related parameters. To create models for categorization, diagnosis, and therapy suggestion, machine learning techniques used. The system trained machine learning models using processed data that included hair health indicators and other relevant variables. Convolutional neural networks (CNNs), a type of deep learning neural network, may be used to process image-based data. Trends and relationships between model data and hair disorders were discovered.

E) Chatbot Development

The chatbot interface is designed to provide an intuitive and user-friendly experience for patients seeking hair disease treatment recommendations. It follows a logical flow of conversation, asking questions in a systematic order to collect relevant information about the patient's symptoms and medical history. The interface utilizes natural language processing techniques to understand and interpret patient responses accurately. The interface presents questions to the patient in a clear and understandable manner, allowing them to provide detailed information about their hair health concerns. Open-ended questions are used to encourage patients to express their symptoms and medical history comprehensively. To ensure context retention, the chatbot maintains an understanding of the conversation's context. It refers to previous patient responses and factors them into subsequent questions and recommendations, ensuring a coherent and personalized conversation flow. The chatbot seamlessly communicates with the prediction model, passing the collected patient data for analysis and illness prediction. Based on the predictions and analysis from the model, the chatbot generates personalized treatment recommendations tailored to the patient's specific hair disorder. These recommendations are presented in a clear and understandable manner, considering the patient's age, background, and level of health literacy. The interface itself is designed with a user-friendly layout, featuring clear instructions and easy navigation. It is accessible to patients of all ages and backgrounds, ensuring that users with varying levels of technical proficiency can comfortably interact with the chatbot. To evaluate the effectiveness of the chatbot interface, its recommendations are compared with expert opinions or existing medical guidelines to measure accuracy. Additionally, patient satisfaction levels are assessed through surveys or interviews to gauge the interface's usability and effectiveness. Any feedback received from patients is utilized to make necessary improvements and enhance the interface's overall performance.

F) Create a plan for treatment and guidance

Based on my analysis, I created a plan for treatment and advice for those with stress-related hair problems. This included prescribing hair-related treatments or medications, as well as stress-reduction strategies including exercise, meditation or therapy.

G) Doctor Suggestion and Google map integration

Relevant medical expert data for each condition is gathered. Based on the patient's location and medical history, the system should be able to propose doctors. The locations of suggested doctors are shown on Google Maps to make it easier for users to find them.

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

A) Integration of Intelligent Systems and Mobile Applications

Describe the integration process of intelligent systems, machine learning algorithms, natural language processing techniques, and IoT devices into the hair disease detection and management system. Highlight the benefits of this integration, such as improved accuracy, accessibility, and effectiveness in hair disease analysis, diagnosis, and treatment.

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Table 1: Images per Disease

Disease	Quantity
Head lice	650
Alopecia Areata	1150
Telogen Effluvium	950
Tinea Capitis	900
Folliculitis	1100

Figure 2: Hair Diseases

B) Enhanced Accuracy and Accessibility:

Discuss the results obtained from the integration of intelligent systems, showcasing the improved accuracy of hair disease analysis and diagnosis compared to traditional methods. Emphasize the importance of real-time monitoring and access to comprehensive information through mobile applications, enabling individuals to make informed decisions about their hair health.

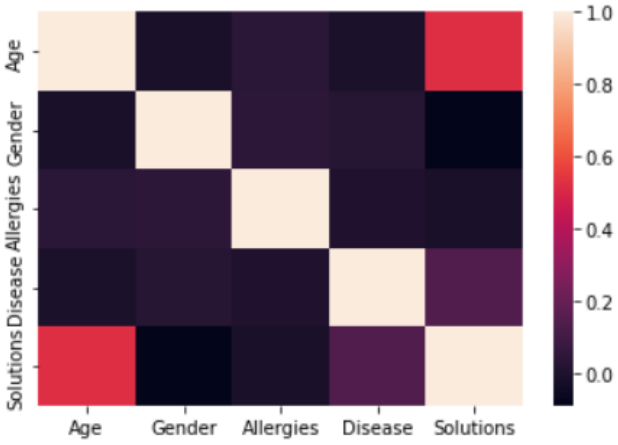

Figure 3: Conclusion Metrics

	Name	Age	Gender	Allergies	Disease	Solutions
0	Ashley Steichen	57.0	Female	Tree Nuts	Alopecia Areata	15
1	Dennis Smith	70.0	Male	Pollen	Telogen Effluvium	15
2	Stephanie Ramos	72.0	Female	Peanuts	Folliculitis	3
3	John Allen	76.0	Male	Peanuts	Alopecia Areata	15
4	Scott Waggoner	22.0	Male	Pollen	Head Lice	4
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995	David Magedanz	43.0	Male	Pollen	Tinea Capitis	6
996	Nelson Dicicco	47.0	Male	Pollen	Head Lice	4
997	John Shaw	52.0	Male	Peanuts	Telogen Effluvium	12
998	Roslyn Chisholm	33.0	Female	None	Alopecia Areata	2
999	Elsie Quattlebaum	14.0	Female	None	Head Lice	4

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Figure 4: Conclusion Metrics Table

C) Personalized Treatment Recommendations

Present the findings regarding personalized treatment recommendations generated by the intelligent system.

Discuss how the integration of advanced technologies enables customized treatment plans that prioritize the preservation of hair health, reducing the risk of ineffective or unsuitable treatments.

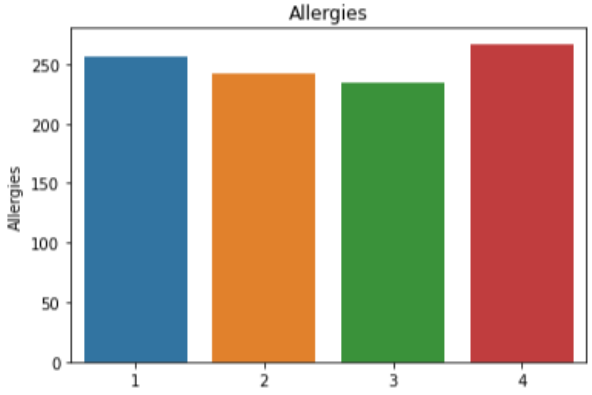

Figure 5: Allergies in patients

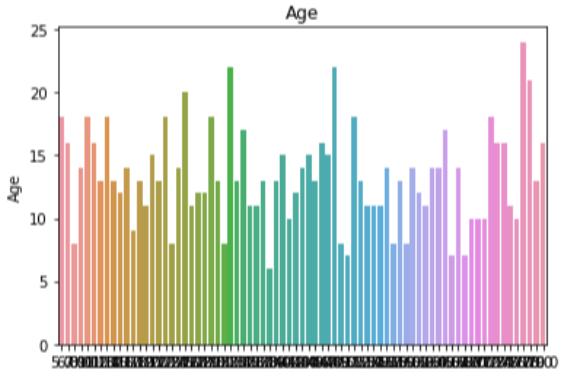

Figure 6: Age in patients

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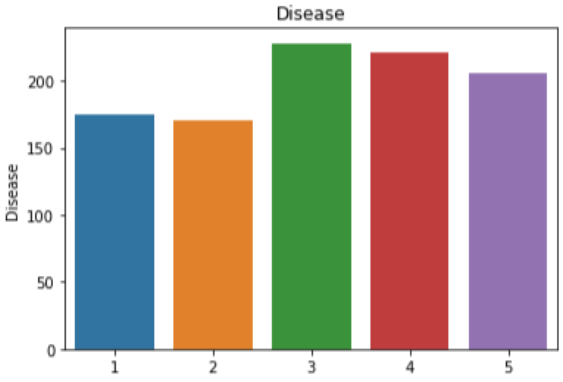

Figure 7: Disease in patients

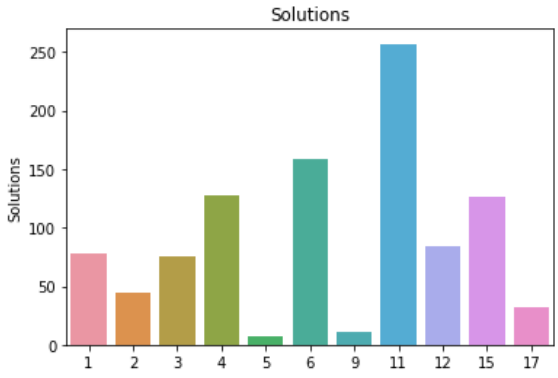

Figure 8: Results of Treatment

D) Awareness and Early Detection

Highlight the impact of the intelligent hair disease detection system on raising awareness among the general population about hair diseases and their management.

Discuss how early detection facilitated by the system can lead to timely intervention and better treatment outcomes.

E) Mitigating the Negative Impact of Ineffective Treatments

Discuss the significance of accurate diagnosis in minimizing the negative impact of ineffective or unsuitable treatments.

Emphasize how the intelligent system helps in selecting appropriate treatments that do not exacerbate hair damage, leading to better overall hair health.

F) Limitations and Future Directions

Acknowledge any limitations or challenges encountered during the research, such as dataset limitations, system constraints, or potential areas for improvement.

Suggest future research directions, such as refining the intelligent system's algorithms, expanding the dataset, or exploring additional features or functionalities for improved hair disease detection and management.

V. CONCLUSION

This study focuses on tackling the challenges posed by hair and scalp disorders by integrating intelligent systems and mobile applications. Through the utilization of advanced technologies, such as machine learning, natural language processing, and IoT devices, the aim is to significantly improve the accuracy, accessibility, and effectiveness of hair disease analysis, diagnosis, and treatment. The ultimate objective is to empower individuals affected by these conditions, leading to enhanced well-being while simultaneously reducing the burden on healthcare systems.

By seamlessly integrating intelligent systems and mobile apps, individuals have access to comprehensive information, personalized treatment recommendations and real-time monitoring. This integration not only enables accurate diagnosis but also provides customized treatment plans that prioritize protecting hair health. By making these tools readily available, the study endeavors to raise awareness among the general population regarding hair diseases and their management, facilitating early detection and prompt intervention.

By enhancing the accuracy of diagnosis and reducing instances of misdiagnosis, this research aims to minimize the negative impact of ineffective or unsuitable treatments. Moreover, it addresses the critical concern of selecting appropriate treatments that do not exacerbate hair damage. By offering tailored treatment recommendations, individuals can receive interventions tailored to their specific conditions, minimizing the risk of worsening the condition or compromising the overall health of their hair.

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