

A web based integrated code generating system for cohort analysis

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Introduction

CIRCE

- an OHDSI tool defining a cohort
- user friendly user interface with visualization and automatic query generation for a cohort extraction

Limitation of CIRCE

- for a cohort analysis, there must be 3 individual cohort definitions: outcome, exposure group and comparator group.
- Each of them are treated as independent one without relationship (figure 2). In this study developed a web application (hereafter 'Code generator')
- integrating all the necessary definitions (outcome, exposure and comparator) into one group
- R codes for CohortMethod to enable easy execution of a cohort study

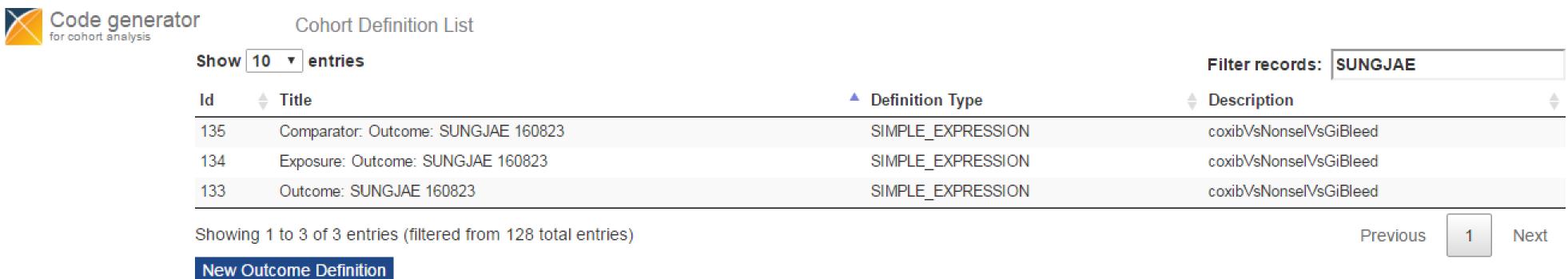
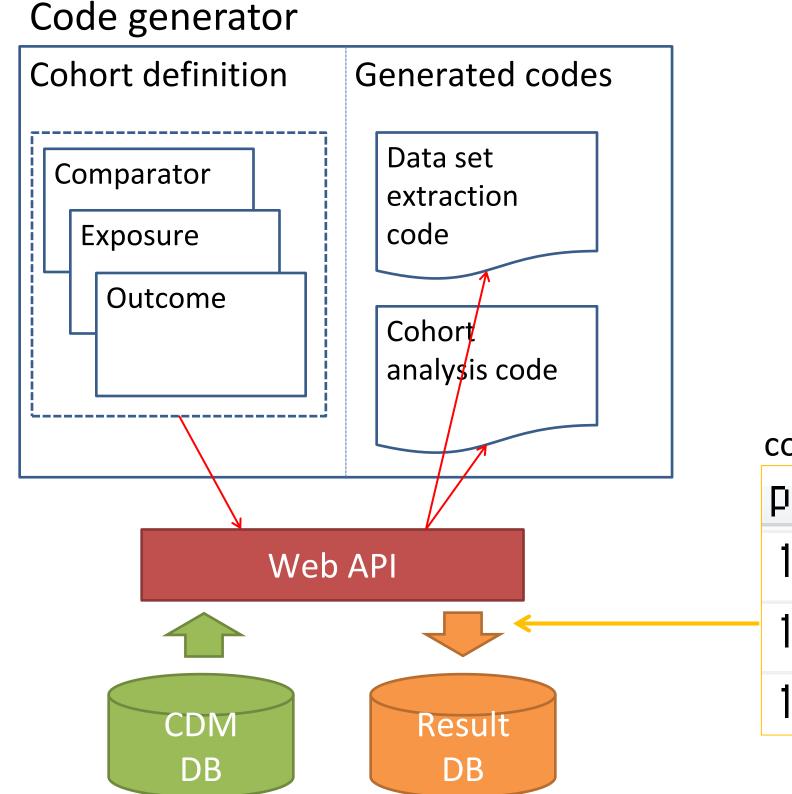


Figure 2. A list of cohort definitions for cohort analysis

Methods



Principle of cohort group definition in Code generator

- Represents hierarchy relationships
- Outcome is parent (pid, seq is 0)
- Exposure and Comparator are child (cid)
- pid: parent's cohort definition ID
- cid: cohort definition ID of each
- seq:ID of cohort types in a group

(0: outcome, 1: exposure, 2: comparator)

Code generator

Cohort definition

Outcome

Generated codes

Data set

extraction

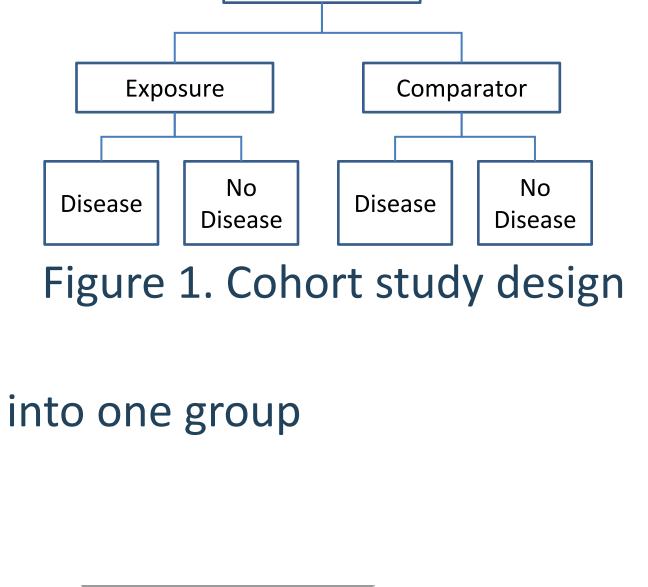
Exposure

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phort_group_definition			
id	seq	cid	
33	0	133	
33	1	134	
33	2	135	

Figure 3. Conceptual system diagram of the Code generator

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Study

Population

- A cohort group composed of

outcome, exposure, comparator

- Define a new cohort in a group

Functions of Code generator

- Generate R code for cohort extraction including SQL query for SQL Server
- Generate R code for conduct cohort analysis with CohortMethod
- 4 tabs in show R code menu (figure 7)
- Figure 6 shows the process of generating R codes for cohort analysis

Results

Figure 3 illustrate the structure of the application and figure 4 shows how it work.

Functions of CIRCE

- Define a new cohort
- Generate cohort data
- Generate SQL queries for multiple dialects
- Figure 5 illustrate the process of generating cohort data and SQL query

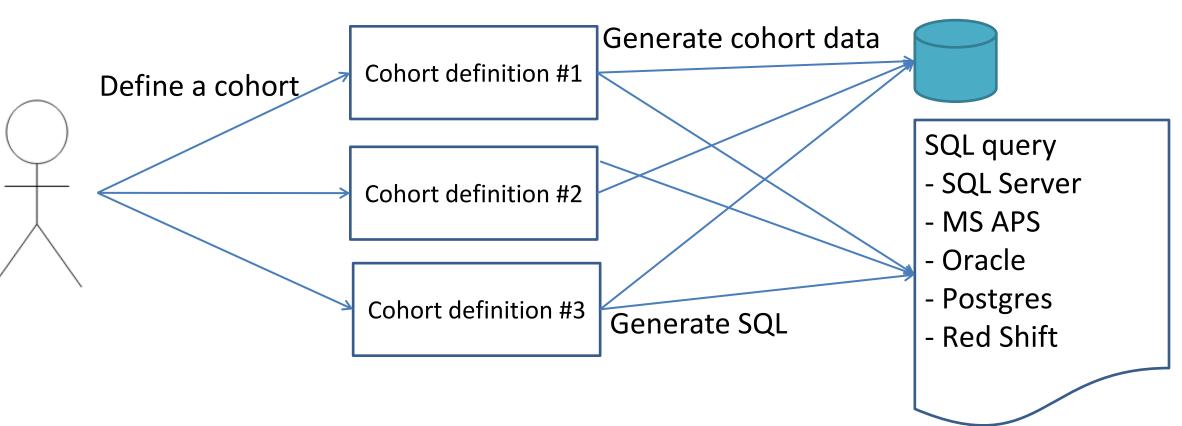


Figure 5. Process to generate cohort and SQL query of CIRCE

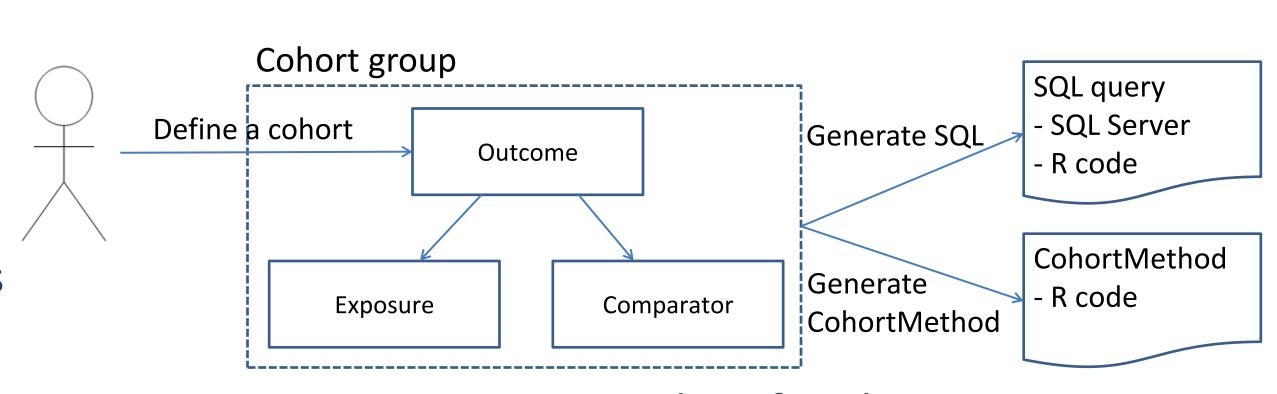
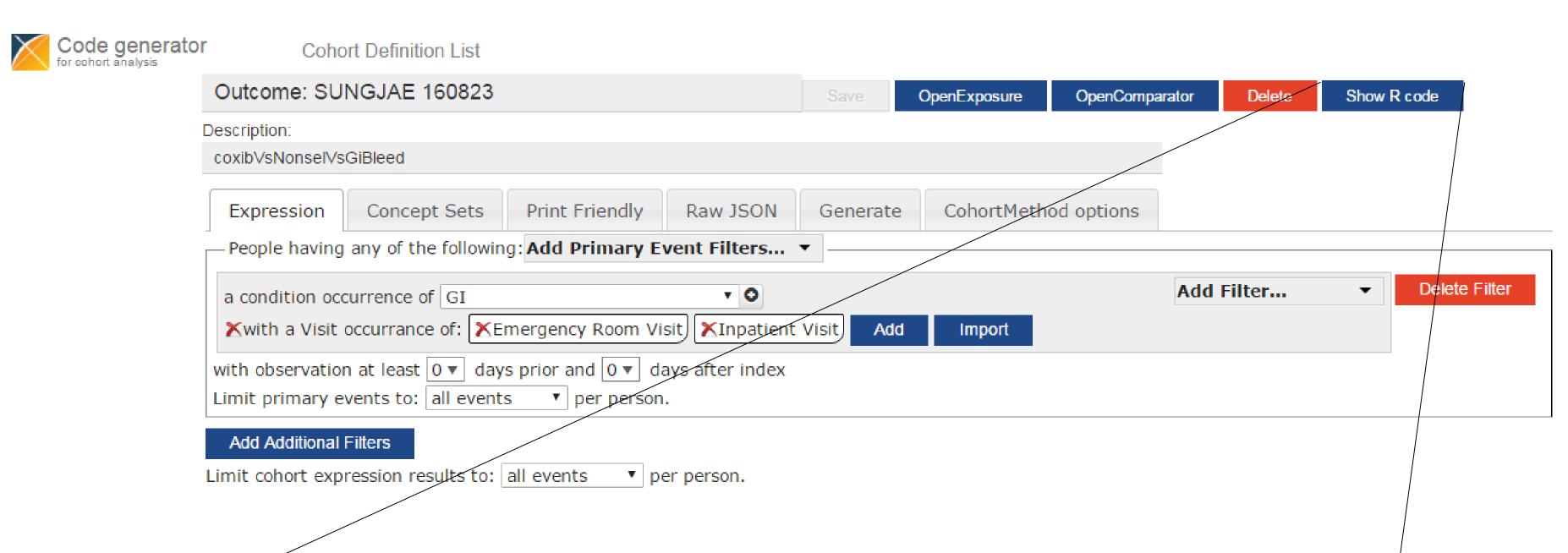


Figure 6. Process to generate codes of Code generator



Cohort Method

Figure 7. User interface and show R code menu of the Code generator

Exposure

Generated codes

Conclusions

In this study, we developed a web application conveniently generating codes for data extraction and analysis. The Code generator integrates all the necessary definitions (outcome, exposure and comparator). Applying the CohortMethod on the three coupled definitions, a user can easily perform a cohort study in a seamless manner.

Comparator



HR = .83 (0.67 - 1.01)

Comparator

Cohort

analysis code