



OHDSI 2020 Plenary Session:

Large-Scale Network Phenotype Development, Evaluation and Characterization



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A Framework for Phenotype Development and Evaluation



Anna Ostropolets, MD

Concept Prevalence — a OHDSI Network Study Design Diagnostics — PHOEBE



Gowtham Rao, MD, PhD

**Data Diagnostics
OHDSI Phenotype Library**



Anthony Sena

A Framework for Large-Scale Characterization



Talita Duarte-Salles, PhD

CHARYBDIS — Large-Scale Characterization of COVID-19 Disease Natural History



Dani Prieto-Alhambra, MD, PhD

SCYLLA — Large-Scale Characterization of COVID-19 Treatment Utilization



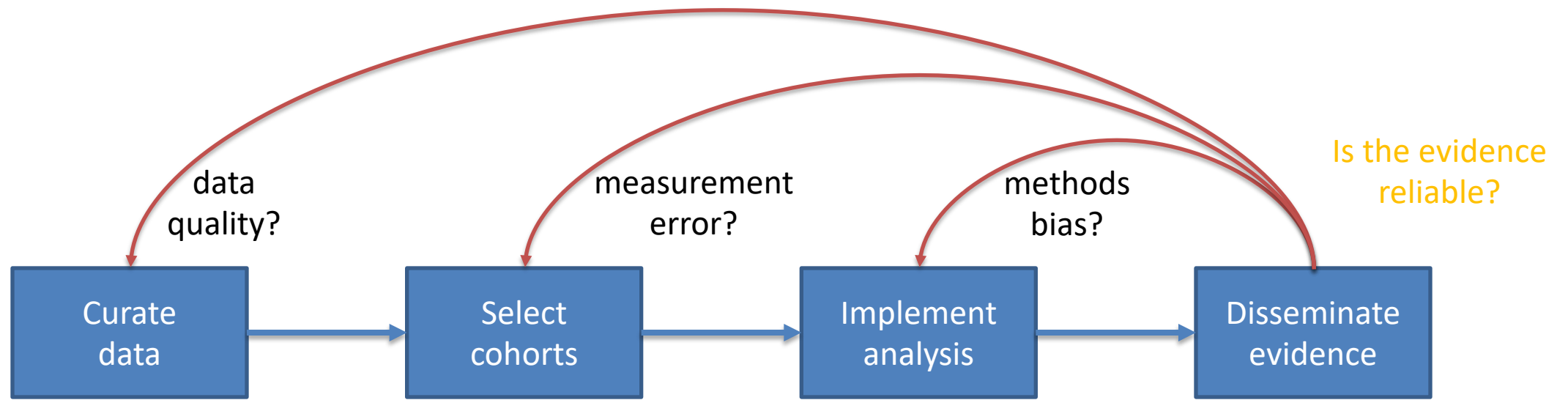
Noémie Elhadad, PhD

HERA — Large-Scale Characterization of Health Equity

This session will be shown twice (1 am ET, 8 am ET) during the OHDSI Global Symposium so collaborators around the world have an opportunity to see these exciting presentations.



Current status quo in observational research



VIEWPOINT

Weighing the Benefits and Risks of Proliferating Observational Treatment Assessments Observational Cacophony, Randomized Harmony

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Amid the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) pandemic, substantial effort is being directed toward mining databases and publishing case series and reports that may provide insights into the epidemiology and clinical management of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). However, there is growing concern about whether attempts to infer causation about the benefits and risks of potential therapeutics from non-randomized studies are providing insights that improve clinical knowledge and accelerate the search for needed answers, or whether these reports just add noise, confusion, and false confidence. Most of these studies include a caveat indicating that “randomized clinical trials are needed.” But disclaimers aside, does this approach help make the case for well-designed randomized clinical trials (RCTs) and accelerate their delivery?¹ Or do observational studies reduce the likelihood of a properly designed trial being performed, thereby delaying the discovery of reliable truth?

The growth of structured registries and organization of claims and electronic health record data have

directly involved in discourse about treatments they assert are effective. The natural desire of all elements of society to find effective therapies can obscure the difference between a proven fact and an exaggerated guess. Nefarious motives are not necessary for these problems to occur.

The role of regulators in this context is crucial. In the United States, the 21st Century Cures Act and user fee agreements require industry, academia, and regulators to advance the use of data and evidence from clinical settings.³ This legislation directed the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to work with the clinical research ecosystem to develop robust methods for generating such evidence and clear guidance for applying it. Historically, the FDA has insisted on high-quality evidence as a condition for granting marketing approval for drugs and devices, and for specific marketing claims.

Considerable progress has been made in defining appropriate methods for improving the quality of observational treatment comparisons. Both NIH- and FDA-funded work fosters transparency by publishing study

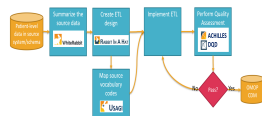
Alternative title (and motivation for OHDSI):
Scientific Cacophony,
Harmony achieved through *collaboration*, not randomization



OHDSI's approach to observational research



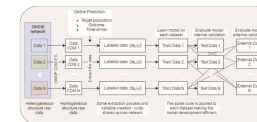
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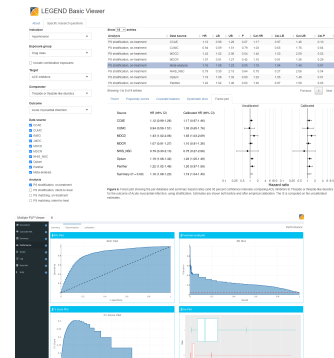
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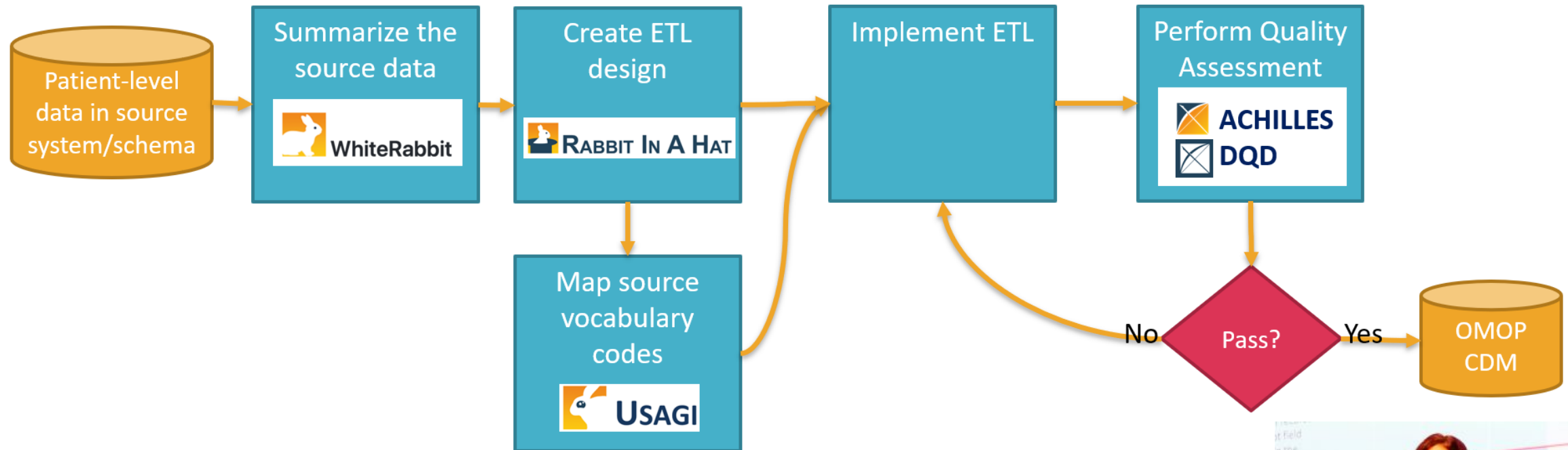


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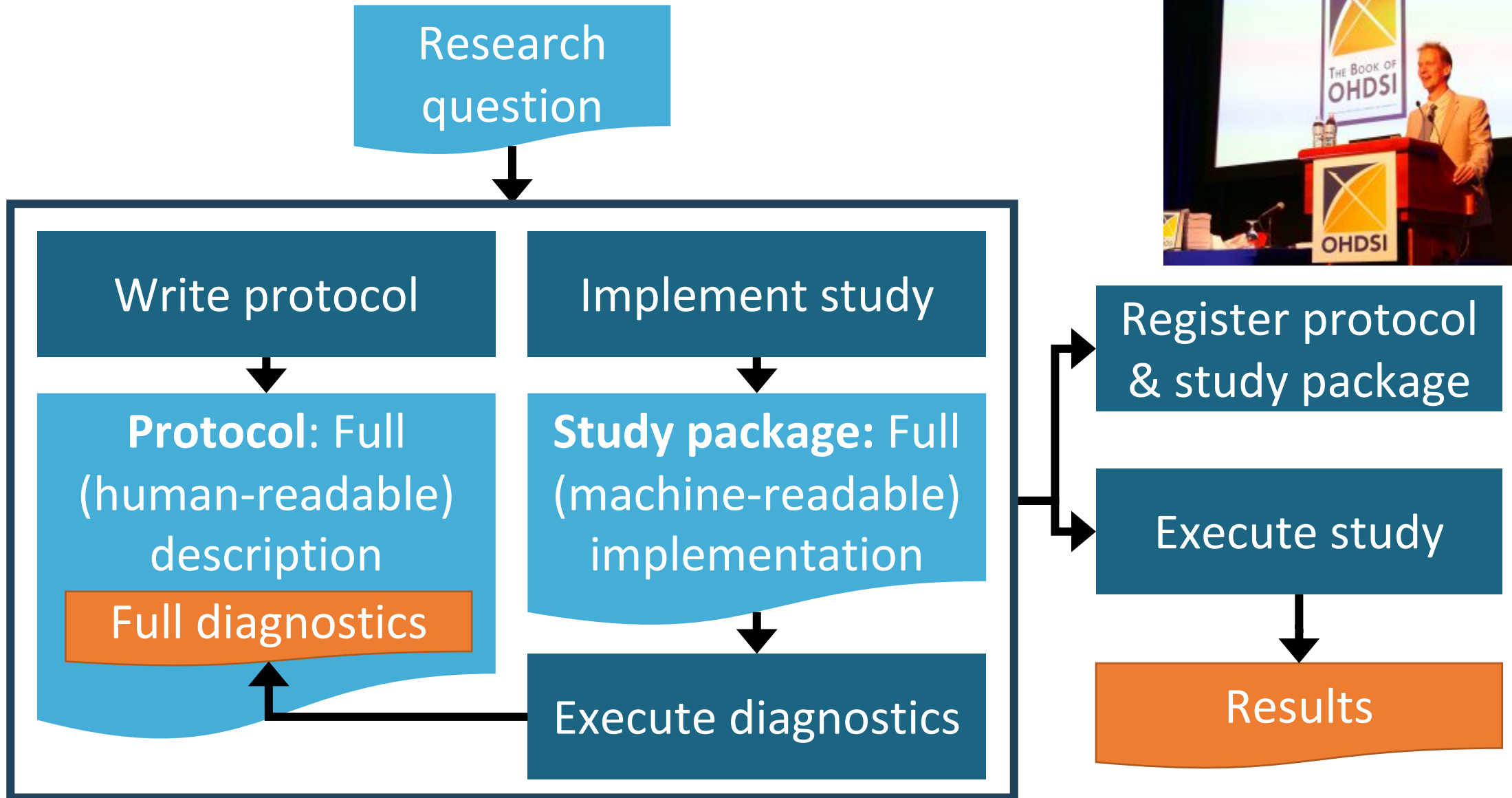


Standardized process for data curation





Standardized process for analysis implementation





Standardized process for prediction model development and validation

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Research and Applications



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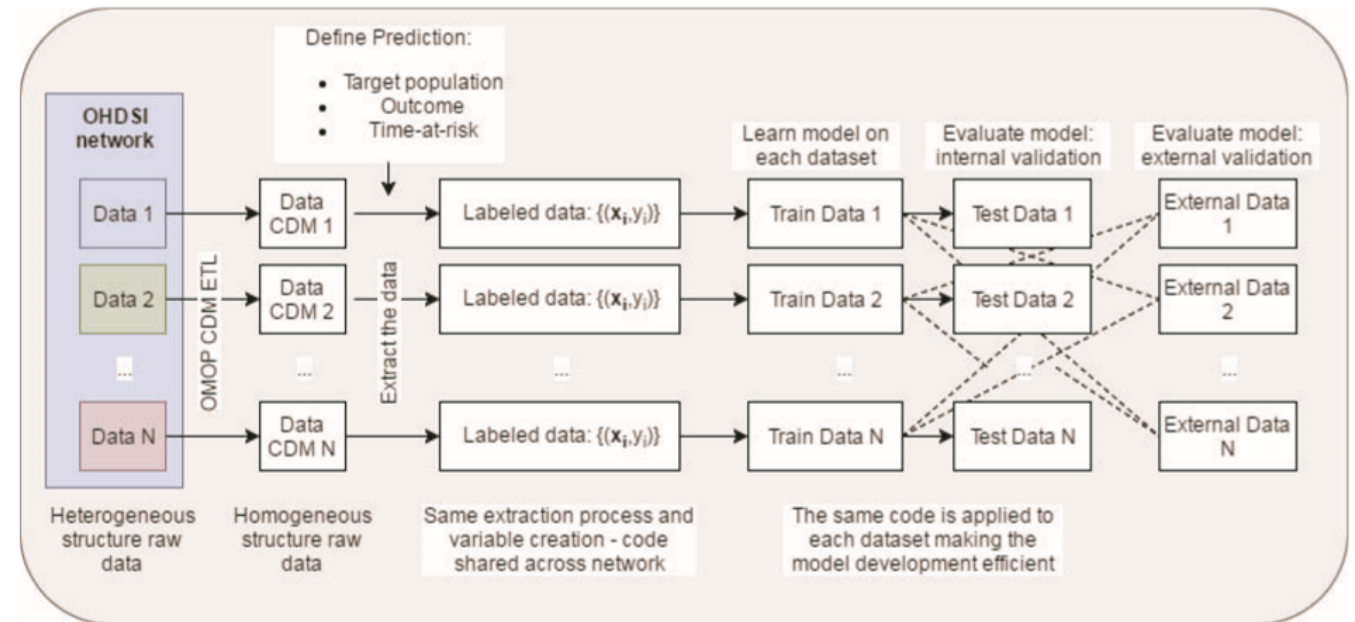
Research and Applications

Design and implementation of a standardized framework to generate and evaluate patient-level prediction models using observational healthcare data

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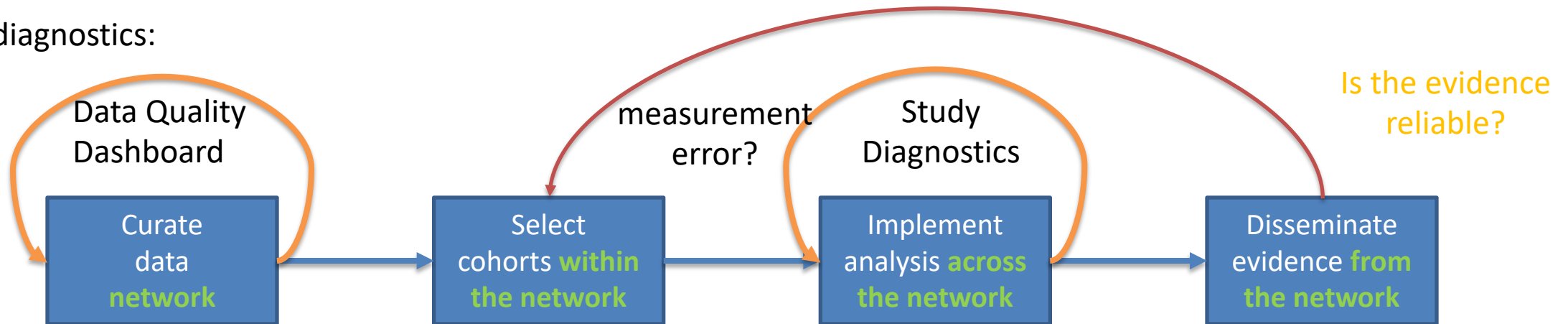
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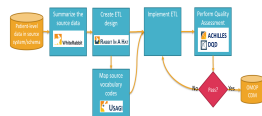


OHDSI's approach to observational research

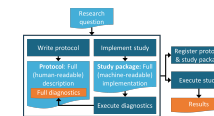
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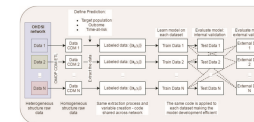
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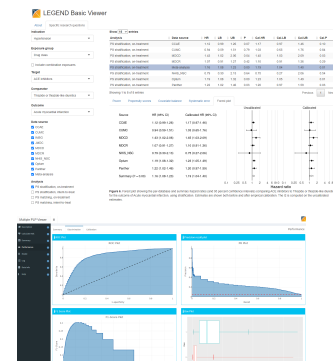
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Perspective

High-fidelity phenotyping: richness and freedom from bias

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- A phenotype is a specification of an observable, potentially changing state of an organism (as distinguished from the genotype, derived from genetic makeup).
- The term phenotype can be applied to patient characteristics inferred from electronic health record (EHR) data.
- The goal is to draw conclusions about a target concept based on raw EHR data, claims data, or other clinically relevant data.
- Phenotype algorithms – ie, algorithms that identify or characterize phenotypes – may be generated by domain experts and knowledge engineers, or through diverse forms of machine learning to generate novel representations of data.



OHDSI's definition of 'cohort'

Cohort = a set of persons who satisfy one or more inclusion criteria for a duration of time

Cohort era = a continuous period during which a person has satisfied a cohort's inclusion criteria

Cohort definition = the specification for how to identify a cohort

A codeset is NOT a cohort...

...logic for how to use the codes in criteria is required

ATLAS

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Cohort #1303

Cohort Definition for a Phenotype

Definition

Concept Sets

Generation

Reporting

Export

Messages

Cohort Entry Events

Events having any of the following criteria:

+ Add Initial Event

a condition occurrence of Phenotype Name

+ Add attribute...

Delete Criteria

for the first time in the person's history

with continuous observation of at least 365 days before and 0 days after event index date

Limit initial events to: earliest event per person.

Restrict initial events

Inclusion Criteria

New inclusion criteria

Limit qualifying events to: earliest event per person.



The phenotype of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

Overview: Type 2 DM accounts for 90% of all DM, and the generic use of Diabetes Mellitus almost always refers to Type 2. It is hyperglycemia and related complications usually due to progressive loss of insulin secretion from the pancreatic beta cells with background of insulin resistance. It is a state of 'relative' insulin deficiency - where insulin even when present may be less effective due to resistance.

Presentation: The classic symptoms of hyperglycemia (including polyuria, polydipsia, nocturia, blurred vision, and weight loss), but these are most observed in retrospect with most common mode of diagnosis is screening in asymptomatic patients or seeking emergency care for hyperosmolar hyperglycemic state without ketoacidosis.

Assessment: Oral glucose tolerance test and HbA1c, fasting blood glucose, lipid, liver function tests

Plan: Initial management is to achieve normoglycemic state with lifestyle modification - weight, diet. Metformin is commonly recommended first line, but treatment choices vary with presence of other risk factors. Progression may lead to dependence on insulin.

Prognosis: Life-long disease that is amenable and if not well managed may lead complications.

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Cohort Definition for the Phenotype 'Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus'

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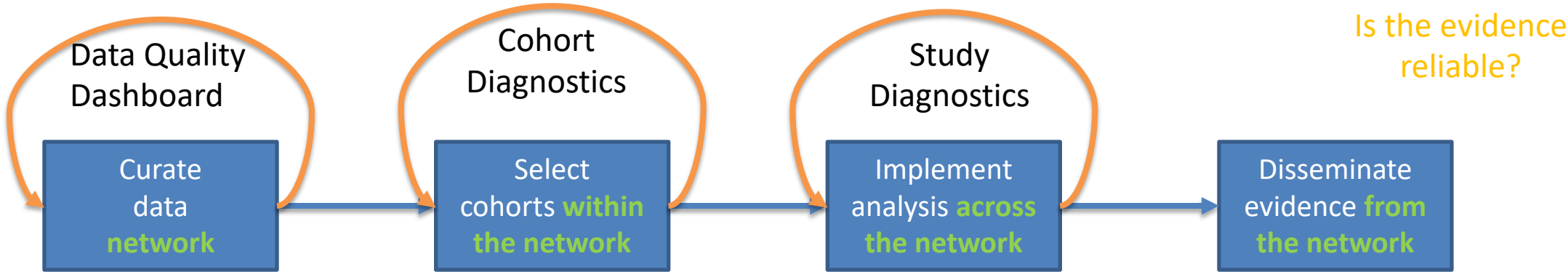
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Today's session:

OHDSI innovations to further strengthen the reliability of the observational research workflow and evidence

Empirical diagnostics:



Standardized processes:

