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**OHDSI Community Call**  
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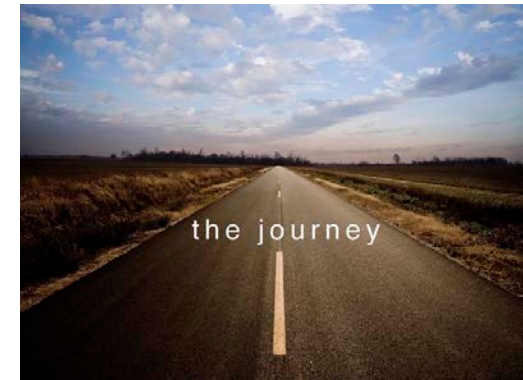


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## Original Article

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## Development and Validation of the Radiology Common Data Model (R-CDM) for the International Standardization of Medical Imaging Data

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**Purpose:** Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine (DICOM), a standard file format for medical imaging data, contains metadata describing each file. However, metadata are often incomplete, and there is no standardized format for recording metadata, leading to inefficiency during the metadata-based data retrieval process. Here, we propose a novel standardization method for DICOM metadata termed the Radiology Common Data Model (R-CDM).

**Materials and Methods:** R-CDM was designed to be compatible with Health Level Seven International (HL7)/Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR) and linked with the Observational Medical Outcomes Partnership (OMOP)-CDM to achieve a seamless link between clinical data and medical imaging data. The terminology system was standardized using the RadLex playbook, a comprehensive lexicon of radiology. As a proof of concept, the R-CDM conversion process was conducted with 41.7 TB of data from the Ajou University Hospital. The R-CDM database visualizer was developed to visualize the main characteristics of the R-CDM database.

**Results:** Information from 2801360 cases and 87203226 DICOM files was organized into two tables constituting the R-CDM. Information on imaging device and image resolution was recorded with more than 99.9% accuracy. Furthermore, OMOP-CDM and R-CDM were linked to efficiently extract specific types of images from specific patient cohorts.

**Conclusion:** R-CDM standardizes the structure and terminology for recording medical imaging data to eliminate incomplete and unstandardized information. Successful standardization was achieved by the extract, transform, and load process and image classifier. We hope that the R-CDM will contribute to deep learning research in the medical imaging field by enabling the securement of large-scale medical imaging data from multinational institutions.

**Key Words:** Metadata, standardization, radiology information system



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**Introduction:** Improving adverse drug event (ADE) detection is important for post-marketing drug safety surveillance. Existing statistical approaches can be further optimized owing to their high efficiency and low cost.

**Objective:** The objective of this study was to evaluate the proposed approach for use in pharmacovigilance, the early detection of potential ADEs, and the improvement of drug safety.

**Methods:** We developed a novel integrated approach, the Bayesian signal detection algorithm, based on the pharmacological network model (IC<sub>PNM</sub>) using the FDA Adverse Event Reporting System (FAERS) data published from 2004 to 2009 and from 2014 to 2019Q2, PubChem, and DrugBank database. First, we used a pharmacological network model to generate the probabilities for drug-ADE associations, which comprised the proper prior information component (IC). We then defined the probability of the propensity score adjustment based on a logistic regression model to control for the confounding bias. Finally, we chose the Side Effect Resource (SIDER) and the Observational Medical Outcomes Partnership (OMOP) data to evaluate the detection performance and robustness of the IC<sub>PNM</sub> compared with the statistical approaches [disproportionality analysis (DPA)] by using the area under the receiver operator characteristics curve (AUC) and Youden's index.

**Results:** Of the statistical approaches implemented, the IC<sub>PNM</sub> showed the best performance (AUC, 0.8291; Youden's index, 0.5836). Meanwhile, the AUCs of the IC, EBGM, ROR, and PRR were 0.7343, 0.7231, 0.6828, and 0.6721, respectively.

**Conclusion:** The proposed IC<sub>PNM</sub> combined the strengths of the pharmacological network model and the Bayesian signal detection algorithm and performed better in detecting true drug-ADE associations. It also detected newer ADE signals than a DPA and may be complementary to the existing statistical approaches.

**Keywords:** adverse drug events, pharmacological network model, signal detection algorithm, FDA adverse event reporting system, pharmacovigilance

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Have a study published? Please send to [sachson@ohdsi.org](mailto:sachson@ohdsi.org) so we can share during this call and on our social channels.

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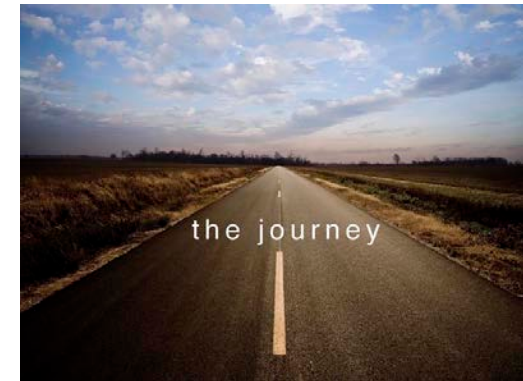


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# Upcoming Workgroup Calls




Date	Time (ET)	Meeting
Tuesday	12 pm	Common Data Model — Vocabulary Subgroup
Tuesday	2 pm	Health Equity
Wednesday	7 am	Medical Imaging
Wednesday	10 am	Data Quality Dashboard
Wednesday	11:30 am	Latin America
Wednesday	12 pm	FHIR and OMOP Terminologies Subgroup
Thursday	10 am	Medical Devices
Friday	10 am	Phenotype Development and Evaluation
Monday	10 am	Healthcare Systems (formerly EHR)
Monday	10 am	GIS-Geographic Information System
Tuesday	10 am	Common Data Model

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OHDSI has established an international network of researchers and observational health

**2021 OHDSI Symposium**

The 2021 OHDSI Global Symposium featured plenary presentations on OHDSI's Impact on the COVID-19 Pandemic, as well as on the Journey to Reliable Evidence. The main days included the State of the Community Presentation, the Collaborator Showcase, and a memorable Closing Ceremony that focused on OHDSI's work through the perspective of a patient.

5. Select the workgroups you want to join (you can refer to the WIKI for work group objectives [www.ohdsi.org/web/wiki/doku.php?id=projects:overview](https://www.ohdsi.org/web/wiki/doku.php?id=projects:overview))

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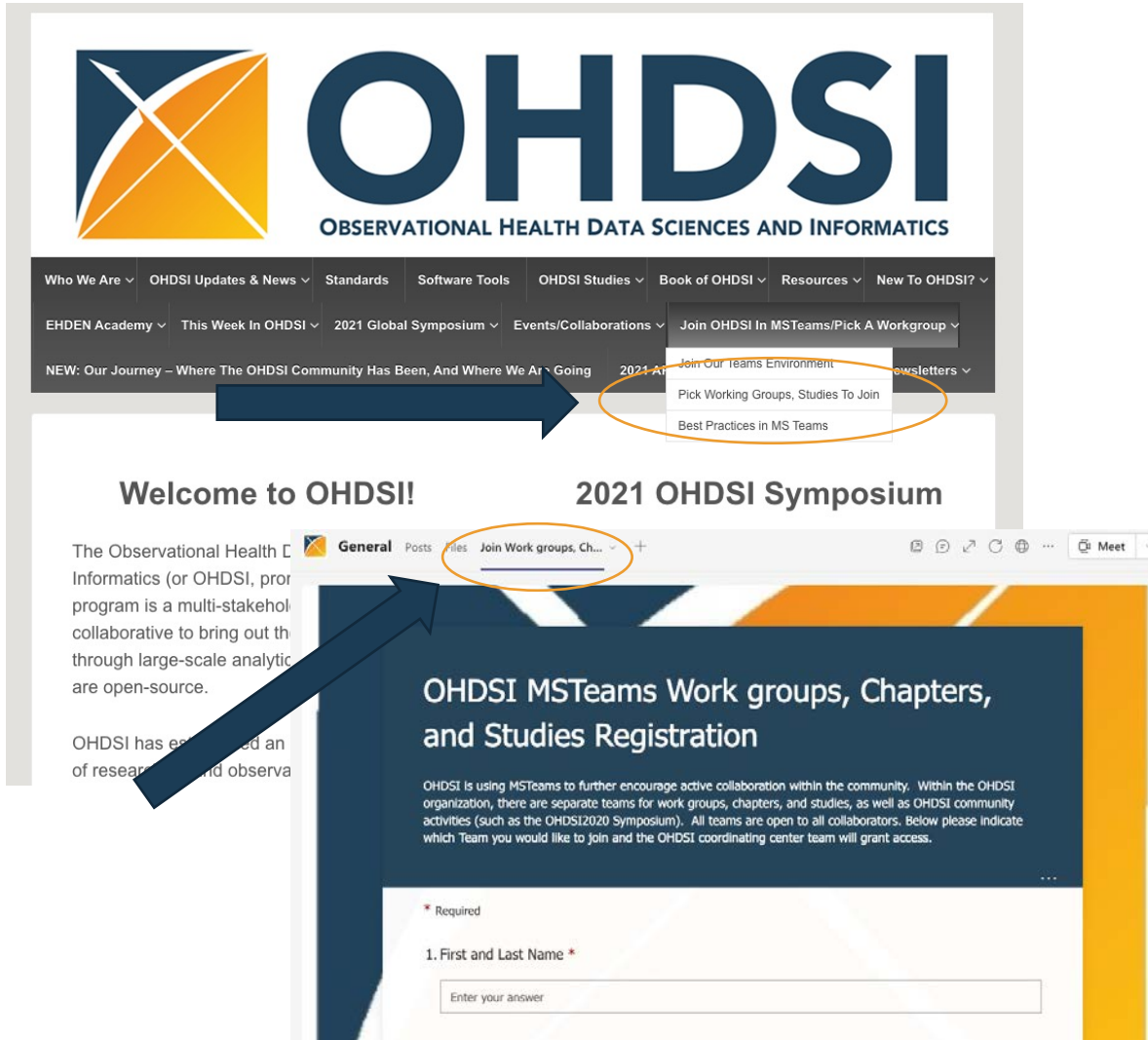
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OHDSI has encouraged an open culture of research and observation.

**OHDSI MStTeams Work groups, Chapters, and Studies Registration**

OHDSI is using MStTeams to further encourage active collaboration within the community. Within the OHDSI organization, there are separate teams for work groups, chapters, and studies, as well as OHDSI community activities (such as the OHDSI2020 Symposium). All teams are open to all collaborators. Below please indicate which Team you would like to join and the OHDSI coordinating center team will grant access.

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1. First and Last Name \*

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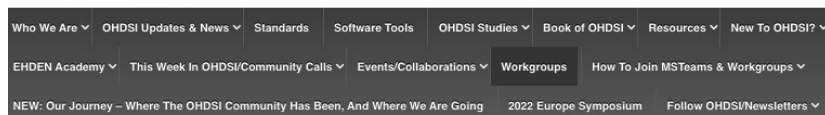
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# New Workgroups Page on OHDSI.org



## OHDSI Workgroups

OHDSI's central mission is to improve health by empowering a community to collaboratively generate the evidence that promotes better health decisions and better care. We work towards that goal in the areas of data standards, methodological research, open-source analytics development, and clinical applications.

Our workgroups present opportunities for all community members to find a home for their talents and passions, and make meaningful contributions. We are always looking for new collaborators. Learn more about these workgroups by checking out this page. Any workgroup that provided a community call update is highlighted in the top section.

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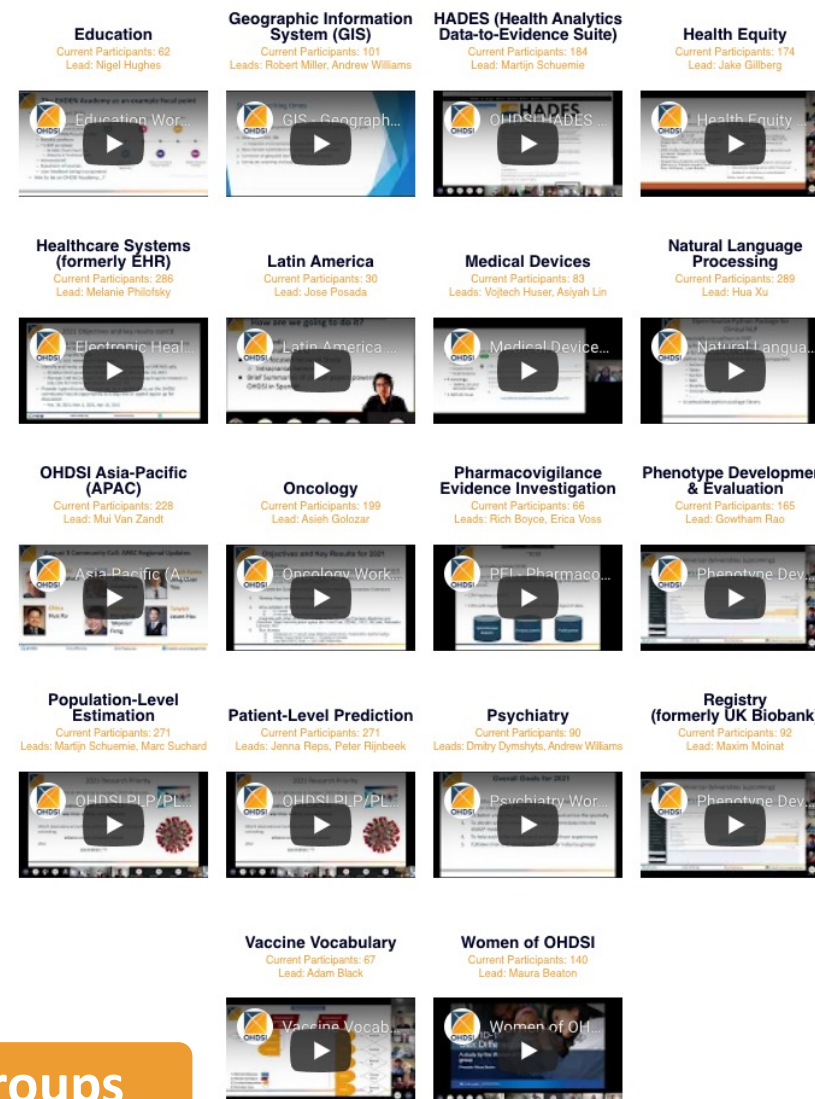
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## Get To Know The OHDSI Workgroups



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# Next APAC Call: Jan. 26, 10 pm ET

## OHDSI APAC - Our Asia-Pacific Community

OHDSI is a global, multi-stakeholder, interdisciplinary and open-science network that collaborates to bring out the value of health data through large-scale analytics. Our Asia-Pacific (APAC) community comprises six regional chapters (Australia, China, Japan, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan) and has led important OHDSI initiatives around the world.

The 2021 OHDSI Symposium was held Nov. 18, 2021, and it [featured a set of morning presentations](#), which are available to the right. These presentations focused on the State of the Global and APAC Community, the EHDEN Consortium and the FHIR/OHDSI collaboration.

The afternoon featured several collaborative activities, including study sessions, workgroup meetings and a collaborator showcase.

### 2021 APAC Symposium Presentations

2021 APAC Symposium • Nov. 18

Nov. 18 (APAC Time Zone)	Time (Korea time)	Contents	Speaker(s)
Morning	9:00 – 9:25 am	OHDSI State of the Community	George Hripcsak/Patrick Ryan
	9:25 – 9:50 am	OHDSI APAC State of the Community	Mui Van Zandt
	9:50 – 10:00 am	Energy Break	
	10:00 – 10:25 am	EHDEN	Peter Rijnbeek
	10:25 – 10:50 am	FHIR and OHDSI Collaboration	Christian Reich
	10:50 – 11:00 am	Energy Break	
	11:00 – 12:30 pm	APAC Chapter Visions for 2022	Chapter Leads
Lunch Break	12:30 – 13:00 pm		
Afternoon (in GatherTown)	13:00 – 14:00 pm	Workgroup Sessions (Medical Image, FHIR, CDM Tables)	
	14:00 – 15:00 pm	Collaboration Showcase	
	15:00 – 16:00 pm	APAC Study Sessions	

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### Jan. 12 APAC Community Call

Topics of Discussion:

1. Welcome Back & 2021 Summaries
2. 2022 APAC & Chapter Goals
3. 2022 OHDSI Global: Where Should We Go And How Should We Get There?

Next Community Call: Jan. 27 (CDM Workshop)

[Meeting Slides](#)

### Video Presentation

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# EHDEN 3-Year Report

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# New Dates For The 2022 European Symposium



 **EUROPEAN OHDSI SYMPOSIUM**  
Symposium: June 24th  
Workshops: 25-26th

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# #OHDSISocialShowcase This Week

## The VISIT\_DETAIL: A Vehicle for Standard Visits

PRESENTERS: Clair Blacketer

### INTRO:

- The VISIT\_DETAIL table was introduced into the OMOP Common Data Model (CDM) version 5.3.
- The original intent was to record the movement of a patient between units of a hospital while the VISIT\_OCCURRENCE table remained the way overall visits were captured.
- Instead, the VISIT\_DETAIL table has proved more useful during the Extract, Transform, and Load (ETL) process as it facilitates the implementation of a standard visit logic to produce the VISIT\_OCCURRENCE table.

### METHODS

- Optum's Clinformatics® Data Mart (Optum) is derived from a database of US administrative health claims. The tables contain line-level details of patient encounters, including diagnoses, procedures, and the CDM place of service code for where the encounter occurred.
- The VISIT\_DETAIL table is populated by creating a single record for each record in the database, with the CMS Place of Service mapped to a Standard Concept housed in the VISIT\_DETAIL\_CONCEPT\_ID field.

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Visit Concepts      Terminal Concepts

- The VISIT\_DETAIL\_CONCEPT\_ID is then mapped to its terminal ancestor in the Visit domain and a standard algorithm is then applied to identify unique visits (Figure 1).
- The unique visits each create a record in VISIT\_OCCURRENCE.

Standard Visits built from Visit Details further align the community on data standards and ETL best practices

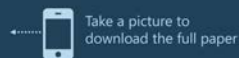


Figure 1: Visit Occurrences built from Visit Details.

### RESULTS:

- There are 43 unique VISIT\_DETAIL\_CONCEPT\_IDs present in the Optum VISIT\_DETAIL table.
- After applying the standard visit logic, the 43 concepts map to 10 Terminal Visit concepts.
- Figure 2 shows the relationship between VISIT\_CONCEPT\_ID and VISIT\_DETAIL\_CONCEPT\_ID. Each bar represents a VISIT\_CONCEPT\_ID and each color within the bar represents a VISIT\_DETAIL\_CONCEPT\_ID.

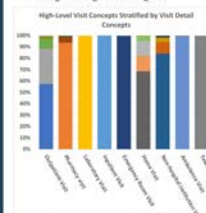


Figure 2: Visit Detail Concepts by Visit Concepts after application of standard visit logic.

Clair Blacketer



MONDAY

The VISIT\_DETAIL: A Vehicle for Standard Visits

Author: Clair Blacketer



# #OHDSISocialShowcase This Week

Lightning  
Talk!

## Leveraging APHRODITE to identify bias in statistical phenotyping algorithms

PRESENTER: Juan M. Banda

### INTRO:

- The widespread adoption of machine learning (ML) algorithms for risk-stratification has resulted in documented cases of racial/ethnic biases within algorithms (1,2). When built without careful weightage and bias-proofing, ML algorithms can give recommendations which worsen health disparities faced by communities of color (3).
- Systematic differences in the output of statistical phenotyping algorithms for vulnerable populations is largely unexplored, particularly within the Observational Health Sciences and Informatics (OHDSI) community and tools.
- By leveraging APHRODITE (4,5), a probabilistic phenotyping framework, we examine four clinical conditions -- dementia, frailty, mild cognitive impairment and Alzheimer's disease -- common in vulnerable older adults. We aim to automate the process of identifying the presence of bias in phenotyping algorithms, by providing a standard and automatic framework for their assessment.

Our initial evaluation elucidates that the selected phenotype algorithms have performance (precision, recall, accuracy) variations anywhere between 3% to 30% across ethnic populations; even when not using ethnicity as a feature. Demonstrating how important it is to assess these models' performance for specific subgroups before deploying them in routine use



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A) Alzheimer's disease					
	Asian	White	Black	Native American	Pacific Islander
Asian Model	0.00%	1.01%	1.78%	5.02%	2.93%
White Model	0.14%	0.00%	0.39%	5.88%	0.48%
Black Model	1.88%	1.31%	0.00%	0.50%	2.88%
Native A. Model	4.32%	4.66%	2.51%	0.00%	2.33%
Pacific I. Model	0.62%	0.20%	2.57%	8.98%	0.00%

B) Frailty					
	Asian	White	Black	Native American	Pacific Islander
Asian Model	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	8.52%	10.58%
White Model	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.30%	1.57%
Black Model	4.55%	9.29%	0.00%	8.48%	10.48%
Native A. Model	4.61%	4.61%	0.00%	0.00%	10.58%
Pacific I. Model	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	8.48%	0.00%

C) Mild Cognitive Impairment					
	Asian	White	Black	Native American	Pacific Islander
Asian Model	0.00%	7.79%	0.24%	4.20%	4.73%
White Model	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	5.60%	13.54%
Black Model	11.21%	13.21%	0.00%	4.89%	13.54%
Native A. Model	4.47%	10.41%	3.26%	0.00%	16.46%
Pacific I. Model	2.42%	7.79%	7.20%	0.00%	0.00%

D) Dementia					
	Asian	White	Black	Native American	Pacific Islander
Asian Model	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.91%	0.11%
White Model	0.42%	0.00%	1.58%	1.28%	1.22%
Black Model	0.80%	0.74%	0.00%	3.08%	2.21%
Native A. Model	0.48%	0.07%	0.21%	0.00%	4.64%
Pacific I. Model	4.30%	4.89%	0.11%	5.94%	0.00%

Figure 1. Variation of classification accuracy for the Random Forest models across phenotypes

### Methods

- We created an experimental framework, on top of APHRODITE, to explore racial/ethnic biases within a single healthcare system, Stanford Health Care, to fully evaluate the performance of such algorithms under different ethnicity distributions
- Cases and controls are matched by age/gender/race/length of record. We evaluated three different classification algorithms (LASSO, Random Forest, and Support Vector Machines). Each of the standard concepts in the OMOP CDM corresponding to racial categories are evaluated.
- We built models using a single race group and tested them against all other race groups (Figure 1). In the full study we additionally used seven different evaluations: traditional model (all data available), balanced model (per race), leave-one-out combinations. For all models we used 10-fold cross validation. Note that we removed all patients with an Unknown race from this evaluation.

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TUESDAY

Leveraging APHRODITE to identify bias in statistical phenotyping algorithms  
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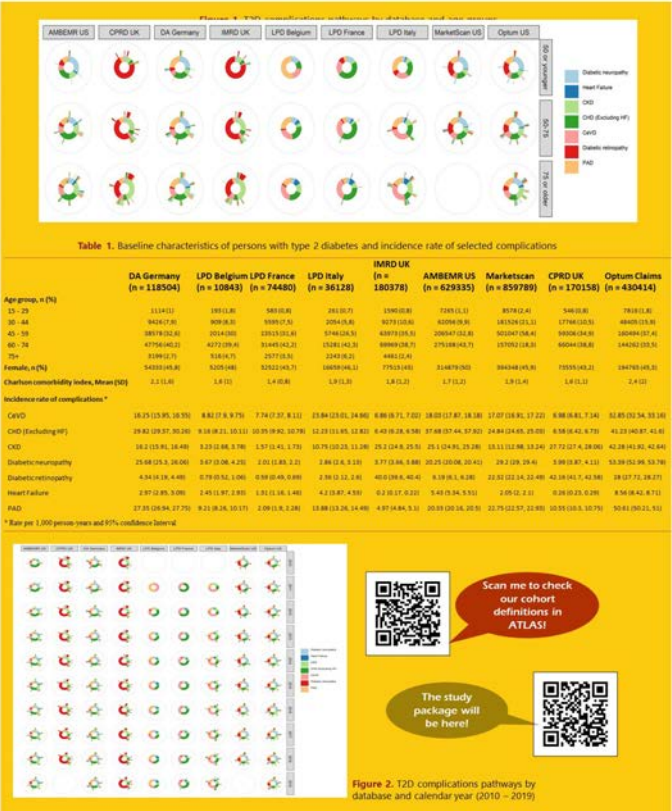


# #OHDSI Social Showcase This Week

*From type 2 diabetes diagnosis to developing complications a multi-country approach to understanding patients' journey*

**BACKGROUND**  
Overall, incidence and prevalence of Type 2 diabetes (T2D) have increased rapidly in the last decades (1, 2). Micro and macrovascular damage caused by T2D may induce the onset of chronic complications such as kidney disease, retinopathy, neuropathy, cardiovascular, and cerebrovascular disease (3-7). Although there has been extensive research in understanding these conditions independently in populations with T2D, little is known about their specific sequential occurrence in different countries and age groups.

**METHODS**  
A systematic evaluation of diverse healthcare data sources was performed leveraging the OMOP common data model and OHDSI tools. The study cohort included adult patients with incident T2D identified by diagnosis and treatment codes during the study period running between 2001 and 2019. At least one year of database history should be available before the first T2D diagnosis code in the database, which is considered the index event. Subsequently, we tracked the temporal sequence of occurrence of pre-specified conditions during their observation period. The conditions considered were Chronic kidney disease (CKD), diabetic retinopathy (DR), diabetic neuropathy (DNeu), cardiovascular disease (CVD), cerebrovascular disease (CVD), heart failure (HF) and peripheral artery disease (PAD). Data sources included in the study are: MarketScan commercial claims and Medicare (MS), Optum Claims, and IQVIA US Ambulatory EMR from the US, CPRD and IMRD-UK from the UK, LPD Belgium, LPD France, LPD Italy and DA Germany. Once the condition sequences were determined and tabulated, we used the T2path tool to produce sunburst plots stratified by database, calendar year, and age category.



**RESULTS**  
In total, 2,442,997 T2D patients were identified in the nine databases. Female proportion ranged from 43% in IMRD UK to 48% in LPD Belgium. For all databases except OPTUM and MS, more than half of the population were aged 60 years or more. For OPTUM, 45% of the population was 60 years or more and for MS, it was 40%. Populations had a median Charlson score at index of 1(QQR: 1-2) except for OPTUM and DA Germany where the score was 2 (QQR:1-3). We observed large differences in incidence of complications across databases. For example, CKD ranges from 1.57 cases per 1000 person-years in LPD FRANCE to 42.28 cases per 1000 person-years in OPTUM US. Our results did not detect often more than one complication in the patient journey, perhaps related to the length of follow-up or the setting of the data sources. UK EMR databases were more likely to detect a second condition in the sequence.

**CONCLUSIONS**  
Our results did not detect often more than one complication in the patient journey, perhaps related to the length of follow-up or the setting of the data sources. Combination of specialist and primary care databases may increase the likelihood of finding multiple complications per patient. We observed differences of T2D natural history in diverse populations from Europe and the US. DNeu and DR, the most frequent complications of T2D, seem more commonly diagnosed as the first complication in younger T2D patients compared to older ones. On the other hand, CKD as a first diagnosis seems more plausible in older groups, but it is seen also in patients aged 50 years or less. When comparing secular changes in calendar years in diagnostic schemes we see little variation. Of note, the irruption of novel antidiabetic treatments in the last decade has not resulted in an apparent reduction of the proportional incidence of CKD or CVD compared to DR or DNeu.

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WEDNESDAY





# #OHDSISocialShowcase This Week



## Distributed Counterfactual Modeling Approach for Investigating Hospital-Associated Racial Disparities in COVID-19 Mortality

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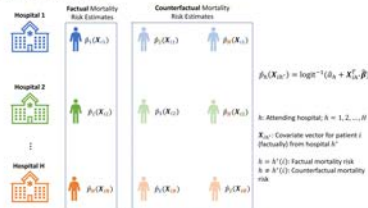
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### Background

- Several studies have found that black patients are more likely than white patients to test positive for or be hospitalized with COVID-19 but have found no difference in in-hospital mortality.
- Previous studies may have underestimated racial differences due to reliance on data from single hospital system.
- Adequate control of patient-level characteristics requires aggregation of highly granular data from several institutions.
- Want to investigate role of care site in health outcome disparity by race. Patients of different races tend to live in different areas, and sources of care and referral patterns tend to differ.
- Goal:** Use counterfactual modeling to study potential association between admitting hospital and racial disparity in mortality for COVID-19 patients **without requiring patient-level data sharing.**

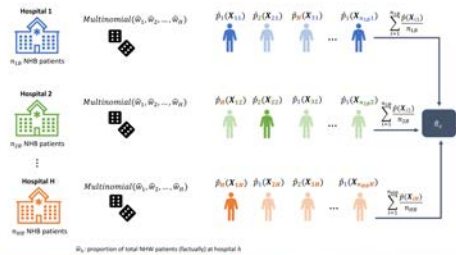
### Methods

- Idea:** Fit generalized linear mixed model (GLMM) to model log odds of mortality while adjusting for common patient-level fixed effects as well as hospital-specific random effects.
- Counterfactual modeling:** Through estimating hospital-specific effects, can estimate patient-specific mortality risk as if patient (counterfactually) attended hospital different from the one truly attended.



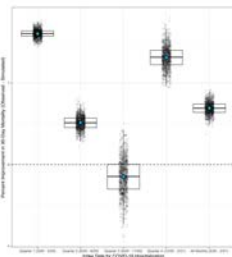
- Distributed penalized quasi-likelihood (dPQL, Luo et al.)** algorithm distributively fits GLMM using data stored separately at different hospital systems.
- Aggregate, summary-level information shared rather than patient-level data.
- Simulation** used to estimate racial disparity: produce counterfactual mortality rate estimate for black patients had they attended hospitals in the same distribution as white patients (while retaining sociodemographic/clinical characteristics (see schematic overview of simulation procedure on right)).

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### Results

- Proof of concept:** Counterfactual modeling simulation using data from OneFlorida Clinical Research Consortium.
- Modeled in-hospital mortality as function of patient characteristics and estimated hospital-specific random effects (4 hospitals).
- Boxplots display difference between observed (factual) mortality rates and average simulated mortality risk estimates for all Non-Hispanic Black patients.
- Performed analysis stratified by quarter and across all quarters.
- Results not meant to be clinically interpreted;** intent is to demonstrate utility of this method for performing counterfactual modeling.



### Conclusions

- Presented novel application of method for performing distributed generalized linear mixed modeling to study association between admitting hospital and racial disparities in COVID-19 mortality.
- Privacy preserving: requires participating institutions to share only aggregate, summary-level data to perform counterfactual modeling.
- Potential for this method to be used in OHDSI study to explore racial differences in COVID-19 mortality using data from OHDSI network (as well as in other applications of interest), allowing for more generalizable and clinically impactful conclusions.

THURSDAY

## Distributed Counterfactual Modeling Approach for Investigating Hospital-Associated Racial Disparities in COVID-19 Mortality

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# #OHDSISocialShowcase This Week

## Design of a framework to detect temporal clinical event trajectories from health data standardized to the OMOP CDM

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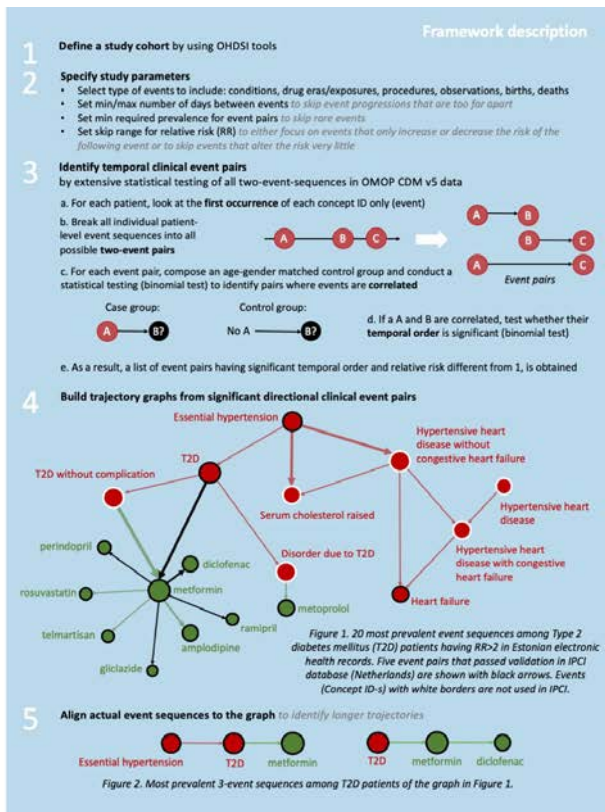
### INTRO:

- Temporal disease sequences (trajectories) can characterize the dataset and describe disease progressions within the population
- However, the number of disease trajectory studies is small due to:
  - lack of syntactic and semantic interoperability of observational health data
  - no common principles for that kind of study
- While the first issue is effectively tackled by the OHDSI community by developing the OMOP Common Data model, the second issue has remained a challenge

### AIM:

- propose a **standardized framework** for detecting the most prominent temporal clinical event trajectories in the observational health dataset
- test the framework and package on electronic health records from Estonia and the Netherlands and compare the results with previous findings in the Danish population

The framework is implemented as an open source **R package**. The package will be freely available on GitHub after the publication of the manuscript.



### RESULTS

#### IN ESTONIA VS. DENMARK:

- In 10% of a random sample of Estonian electronic health records (n=147K patients, 8 years), we validated 7733 most prominent temporal event pairs in the Danish population having RR either  $\leq 0.8$  or  $\geq 1.2$  (Siggaard et al., n=7M patients, 25 years)
- We confirmed RR<1 and direction of 781 pairs (10%)

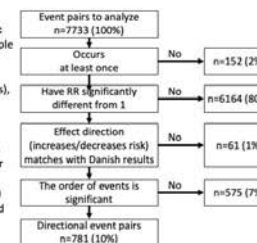


Figure 3. Attrition diagram, showing the number of event pairs after various stages in the validation analysis

#### RESULTS IN ESTONIA VS. NETHERLAND (ICD)

- In Estonian data, we identified 22 directional event pairs having RR>2 and occurring on at least 5% of Type 2 Diabetes patients
- Out of these,
  - 5 passed the validation in Netherlands' data (ICD database, n=2.5M) (Figure 1)
  - Concept ID-s used in 14 pairs are not used in ICD

### CONCLUSION:

- The proposed framework identifies and visualizes significant clinical event progression patterns in health data standardized to the OMOP CDM. The open-access R package, the first of its kind, allows researchers to run the same framework on their OMOP-formatted health data and compare results across databases to allow for the identification of clinical event associations
- Using different Concept ID-s for the same underlying event in different OMOP databases makes the cross-dataset comparison of event trajectories challenging
- Before moving to investigate longer global trajectories, a global consensus on the simplest trajectories - pairs - need to be established first

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# Where Are We Going?

**Any other announcements  
of upcoming work, events,  
deadlines, etc?**







# Welcome To OHDSI Newcomers

**Are there any people new to the OHDSI community call who would like to introduce themselves?**

**Please raise your hand,  
and we will call on three people.**

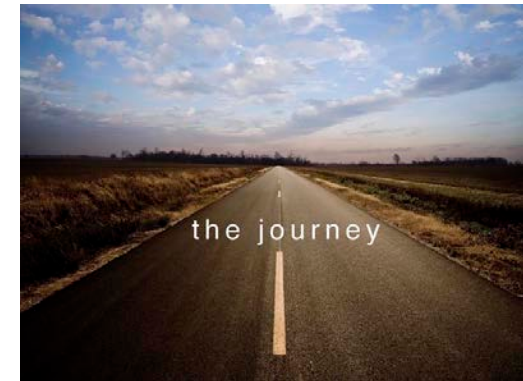


# Three Stages of The Journey

**Where Have We Been?**

**Where Are We Now?**

**Where Are We Going?**





# January 25 OHDSI Community Call

## Extracting OHDSI Concepts from Clinical Narratives for COVID



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