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# Synthesizing Evidence for Rare Events: a Novel Zero-Inflated Bivariate Model to Integrate Studies with Double-Zero Outcomes

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# Real-world case study



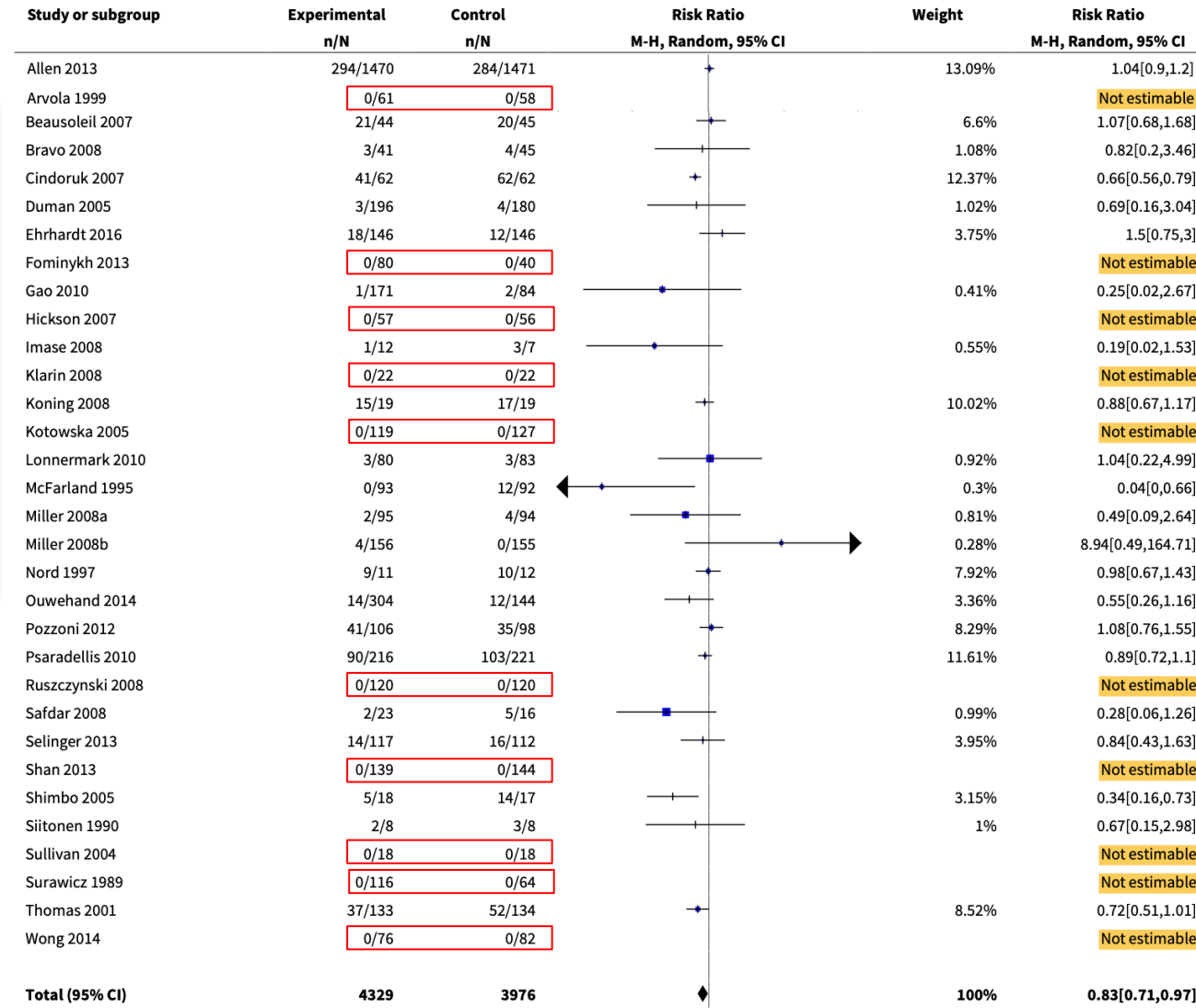
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## Probiotics for the prevention of Clostridium difficile-associated diarrhea in adults and children (Review)

Goldenberg JZ, Yap C, Lytvyn L, Lo CKF, Beardsley J, Mertz D, Johnston BC

- ▶ Explores the potential use of probiotics as a treatment for Clostridium difficile-associated diarrhea (CDAD) caused by antibiotic use
- ▶ Whether probiotics cause any side effects when used to prevent CDAD

Analysis 1.24. Comparison 1 Probiotics versus control, Outcome 24 Adverse Events: complete case.



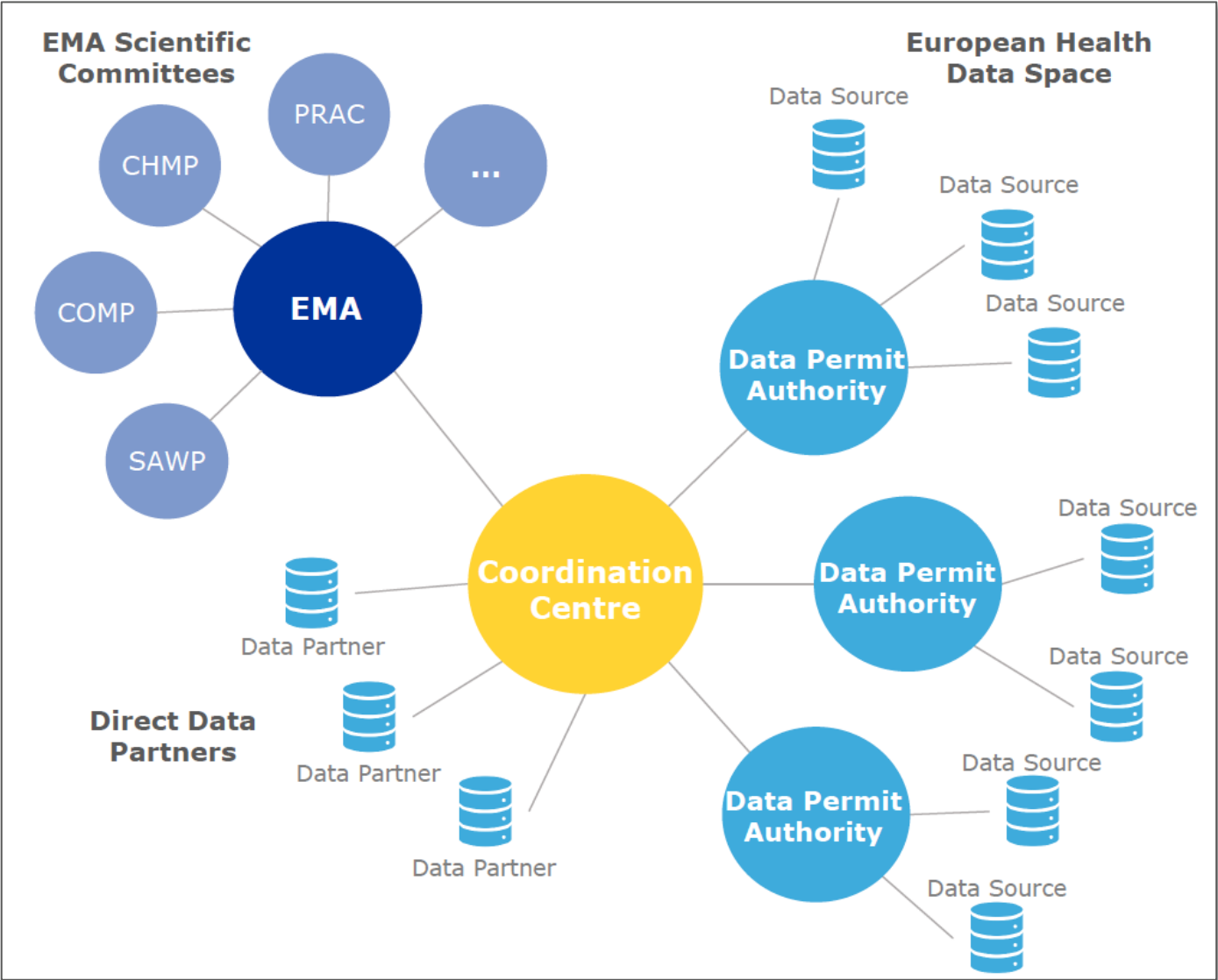
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Study or subgroup	Experimental	Control	Risk Ratio	Weight	Risk Ratio
	n/N	n/N	M-H, Random, 95% CI		M-H, Random, 95% CI
Allen 2013	294/1470	284/1471	+	13.09%	1.04[0.9,1.2]
Arvola 1999	0/61	0/58			Not estimable

**Double-zero-event study (DZS)**

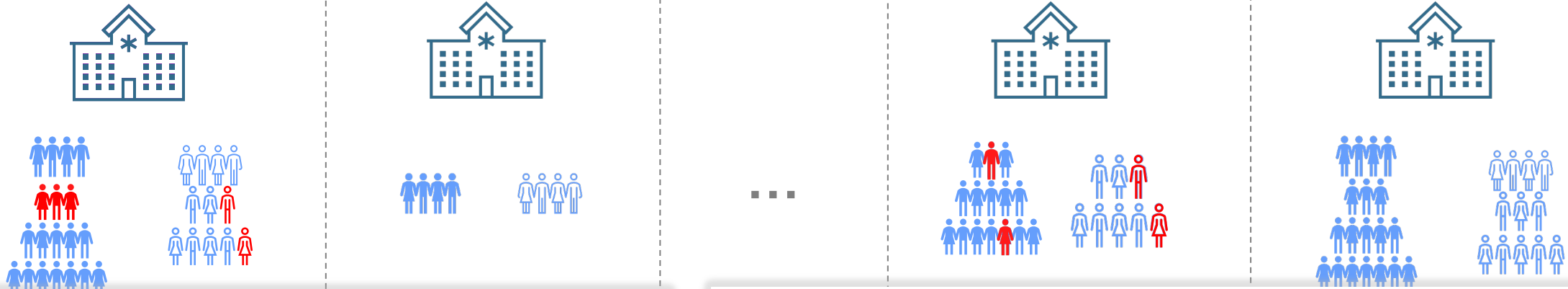
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# Should we drop them?

■ Non-event  
■ Event



Relative Risk




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## Exclusion of studies with no events in both arms in meta-analysis impacted the conclusions

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 Published online 2010 Dec 21. doi: [10.1177/0962280210393712](#)

## Bivariate Random Effects Models for Meta-Analysis of Comparative Studies with Binary Outcomes: Methods for the Absolute Risk Difference and Relative Risk

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Existing approach to incorporate DZS:

## Bivariate Generalized Linear Mixed Model (BGLMM)

- ▶ A bivariate random effects model that *jointly* analyzes the risks in treatment and control groups



Group (for the $i$ -th study)	Treatment	Control
Number of events	$Y_{i1}$	$Y_{i0}$
Sample size	$N_{i1}$	$N_{i0}$
Event risk	$P_{i1}$	$P_{i0}$
Fixed effects	$\mu_1$	$\mu_0$
Random effects	$\nu_{i1}$	$\nu_{i0}$

$$P(Y_{i0} = y_{i0}, Y_{i1} = y_{i1}) = \prod_{k=0}^1 (P_{ik})^{y_{ik}} (1 - P_{ik})^{N_{ik} - y_{ik}}$$

parameters of interest

**Limitation:**  
BGLMM treats all DZS similarly to the other studies

$$Y_{ik} \sim \text{Binomial}(N_{ik}, P_{ik}); g(P_{ik}) = \mu_k + \nu_{ik}$$



# Should we treat DZS similarly to the other studies?

Short answer:  
**NO**



Rationale:  
**Sample size** of  
the studies are  
informative

Conclusion:  
We **should not** treat  
all the double zero  
studies the same as  
the other studies

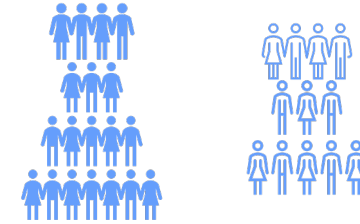
Assuming an event rate of 1%:



$$\frac{0}{57} / \frac{0}{53}$$

$$0.99^{110} \approx \frac{33}{100}$$

**Could happen by chance.**



$$\frac{0}{527} / \frac{0}{473}$$

$$0.99^{1,000} \approx \frac{4}{100,000}$$

**Very unlikely.**

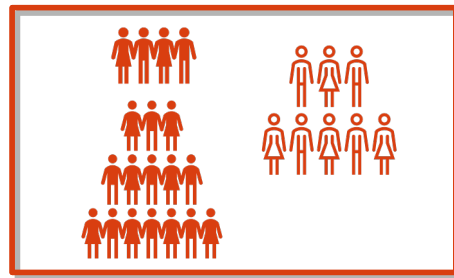
# To differentiate DZS: Zero-Inflated Models

- ▶ Zero-inflated models separate observed zeros into two **distinct categories**.

$$Y_{ik} \sim \begin{cases} \text{Binomial } (N_{ik}, P_{ik}), & \text{with probability } 1 - \pi \\ 0, & \text{with probability } \pi \end{cases}$$

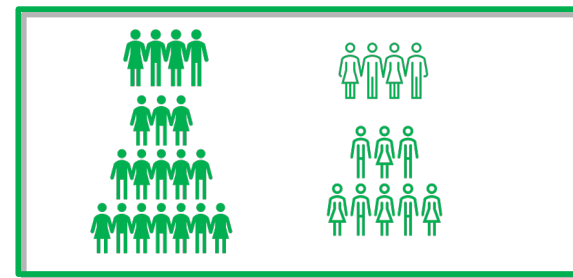
**$1 - \pi$ : at-risk population**

“at-risk” or “chance” zeros correspond to a latent group of individuals who are at risk for an event but have a recorded count of zeros.



**$\pi$ : low-risk population**

“structural” zeroes represent individuals who are not susceptible to a specific event, thereby having no chance of a positive count.



# Proposed method

Recap BGLMM:

$$P(Y_{i0} = y_{i0}, Y_{i1} = y_{i1}) = \prod_{k=0}^1 (P_{ik})^{y_{ik}} (1 - P_{ik})^{N_{ik} - y_{ik}}$$
$$g(P_{ik}) = \mu_k + v_{ik}$$

## ► Zero-Inflated Bivariate Generalized Linear Mixed Model (ZIBGLMM)

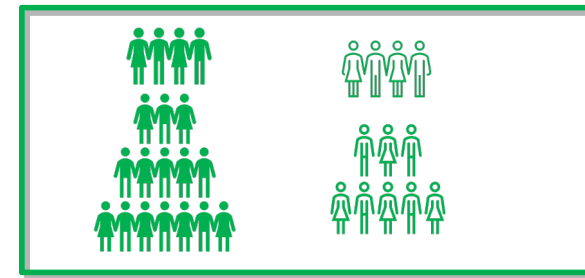
### Advantages:

1. No studies are dropped from the analysis.
2. Models population heterogeneity through a data-driven approach.

**$1 - \pi$ : at-risk population**



**$\pi$ : low-risk population**



# Revisit the case study

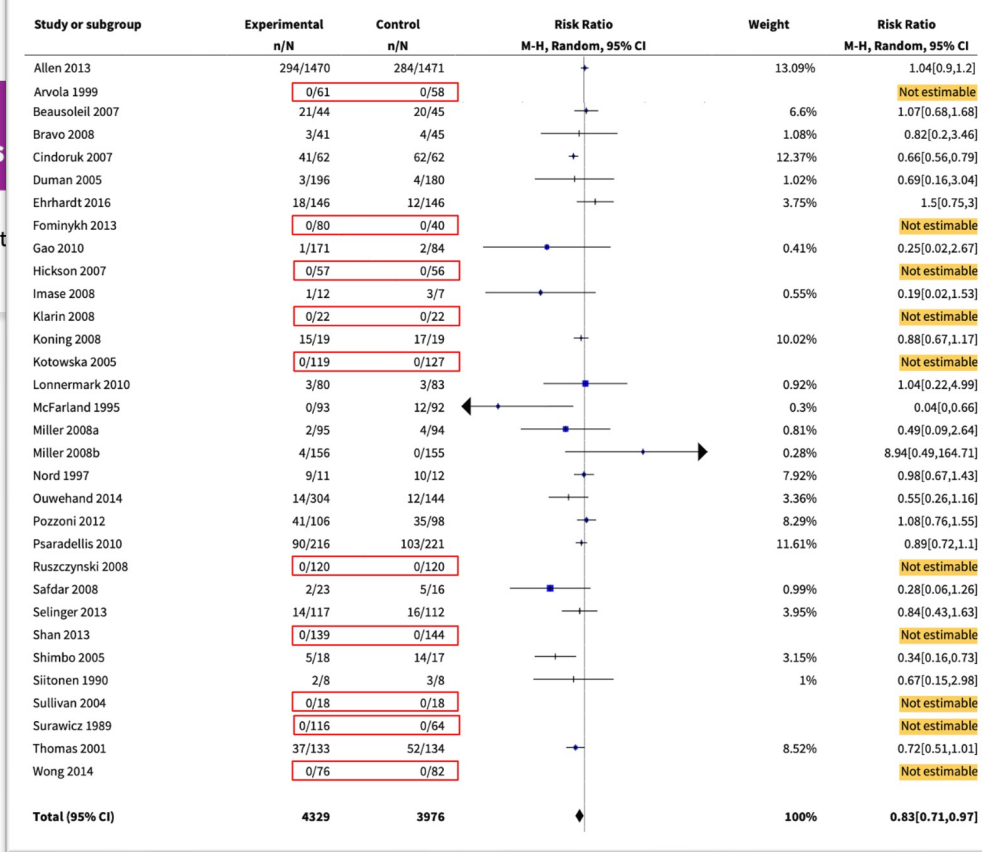


Cochrane Data

Probiotics for the diarrhea in adults

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Analysis 1.24. Comparison 1 Probiotics versus control, Outcome 24 Adverse Events: complete case.



- ▶ 10 of 32 studies are double-zero-event studies (DZS), with sample size ranging from 18 to 144.
- ▶ Concluded that probiotics reduce the risk of AE by 17%:
  - RR 0.83 (95% CI 0.71 to 0.97)
- ▶ Using our proposed method (ZIBGLMM):
  - RR 0.70 (95% CI 0.55 to 0.88)
- ▶ Conclusion:
  - Including the DZS could potentially result in estimates that differ by a large degree (>0.1).
  - Using ZIBGLMM offers a more comprehensive analysis of the available data.

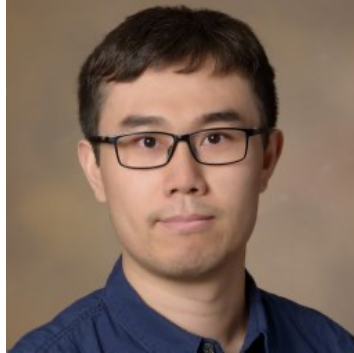
# Summary

- ▶ Zeros in double-zero-event studies (DZS) may arise due to **heterogeneity in the population**.
- ▶ **ZIBGLMM offers a more comprehensive analysis of the available data.**

For **OHDSI**, ZIBGLMM is useful especially for **larger network studies** and for studies involving **rare events**.



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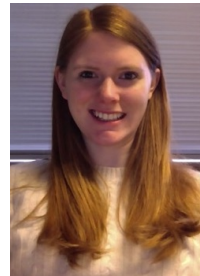
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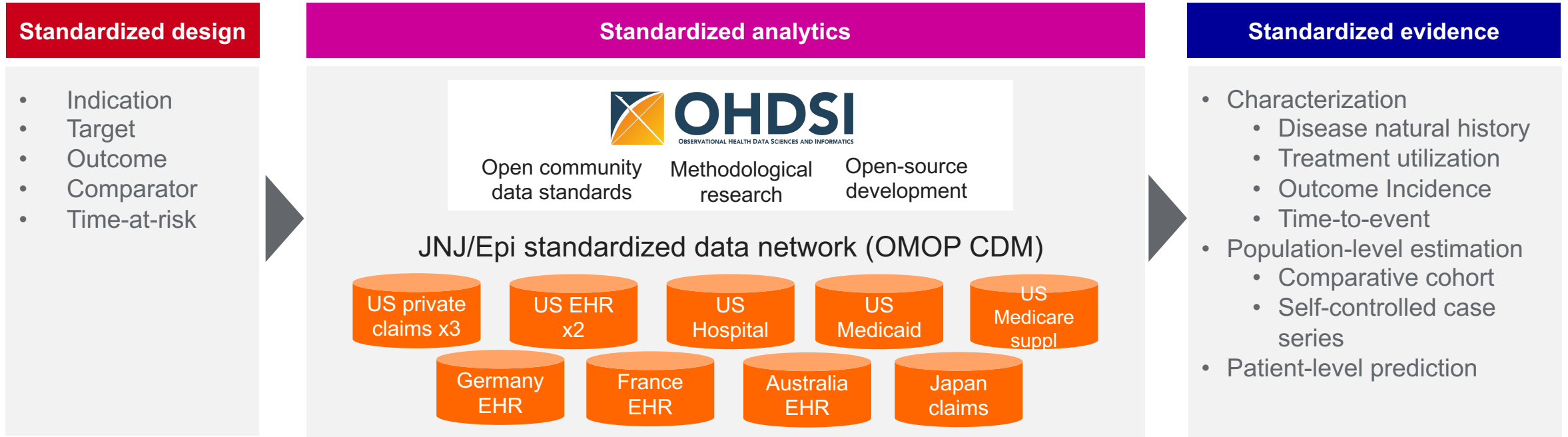





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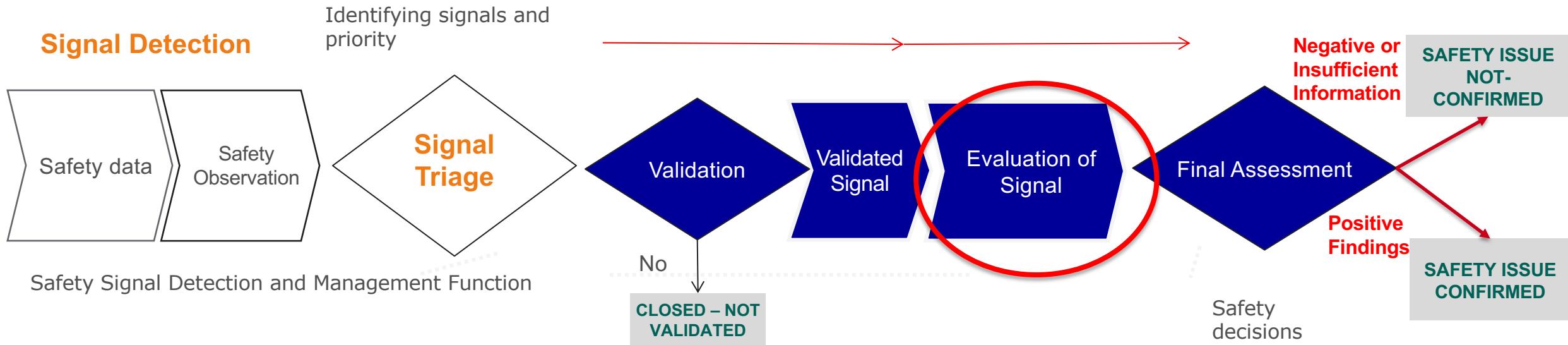
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# Standardizing regulatory-grade real-world evidence generation



 Innovation	 Use cases	 Results delivered in 2023
Transforming RWE generation from bespoke studies taking months to a <b>systematic process</b> taking days, while enabling transparent reproducibility and ensuring <b>scientific best practices</b> in causal inference and machine learning	Current focus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety signal detection and evaluation</li> <li>• Enhanced surveillance</li> </ul> Future opportunities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comparative effectiveness</li> <li>• Disease interception</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 23 Requests</li> <li>• Impact on regulatory decision making</li> </ul>

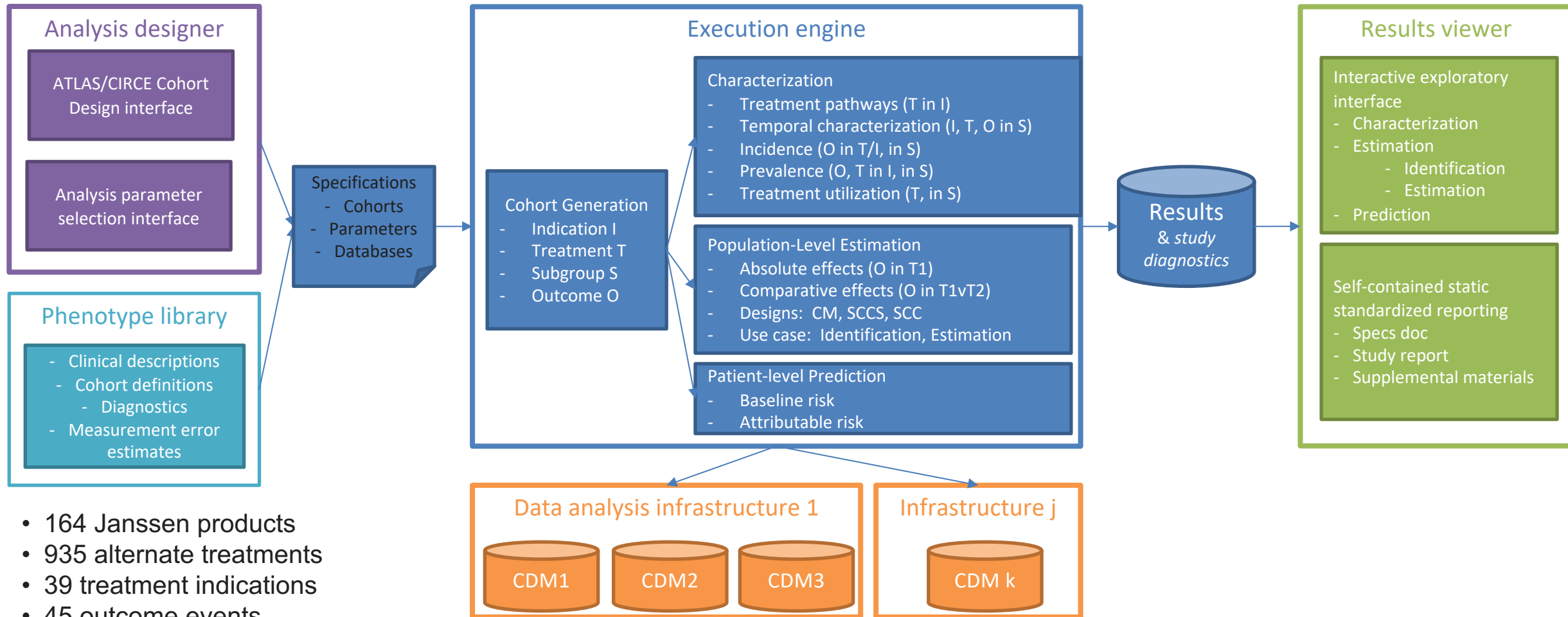
# Where does ASSURE fit into the life of a safety signal?



- Early awareness of signals enables preparation and validation of input specifications
- Standardization enables evidence generation within a short timeline



# ASSURE Analyses: Inputs and Outputs



- 164 Janssen products
- 935 alternate treatments
- 39 treatment indications
- 45 outcome events

# 1. Treatment/Comparator/Indication/Outcome

- Comparator Selection Tool

# 2. Phenotype Development

- Disease Advisory Board

# 3. Analytic Design and Implementation

- Negative Control Selection
- Time at Risk Selection

# 4. Result Interpretation

- Shiny Dashboard

# 5. Documentation and Communication

- Standardized Output

A Day in the  
Life of the  
ASSURE Team



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2 tcis <- list(
3   list(
4     targetId = 13771,
5     comparatorId = 13774,
6     indicationId = NULL,
7     genderConceptIds = c(8507, 8532), # use valid
8     minAge = 18, # Age 18+. Can be NULL
9     maxAge = NULL, # No max age. Can be NULL
10    excludedCovariateConceptIds = c(1154029,
11                                     1103640)
12  )
13
14 sccsTi <- list(
15   list(
16     targetId = 13771,
17     indicationId = NULL, # NO INDICATION REQUIRED
18     genderConceptIds = c(8507, 8532), # use valid
19     minAge = 18, # Age 18+. Can be NULL
20     maxAge = NULL # No max age. Can be NULL
21  ))
22
23 outcomes <- tibble(
24   cohortId = c(12308),
25   cleanwindow = c(90)
26 )

```

new

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28 negativeConceptsetId <- 5749
29 timeAtRisks <- tibble(
30   label = c("On-treatment"),
31   riskwindowStart = c(1),
32   startAnchor = c("cohort start"),
33   riskwindowEnd = c(0),
34   endAnchor = c("cohort end"),
35 )
36 # Try to avoid intent-to-treat TARs for SCCS:
37 sccsTimeAtRisks <- tibble(
38   label = c("On-treatment"),
39   riskwindowStart = c(1),
40   startAnchor = c("cohort start"),
41   riskwindowEnd = c(0),
42   endAnchor = c("cohort end"),
43 )
44 # Try to use fixed-time TARs for PLP:
45 plpTimeAtRisks <- tibble(
46   riskwindowStart = c(1),
47   startAnchor = c("cohort start"),
48   riskwindowEnd = c(365),
49   endAnchor = c("cohort start"),
50 )
51 studyStartDate <- "" # YYYYMMDD
52 studyEndDate <- "" # YYYYMMDD

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# Patient's outcomes after endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) using reprocessed duodenoscope accessories: a descriptive study using real-world data

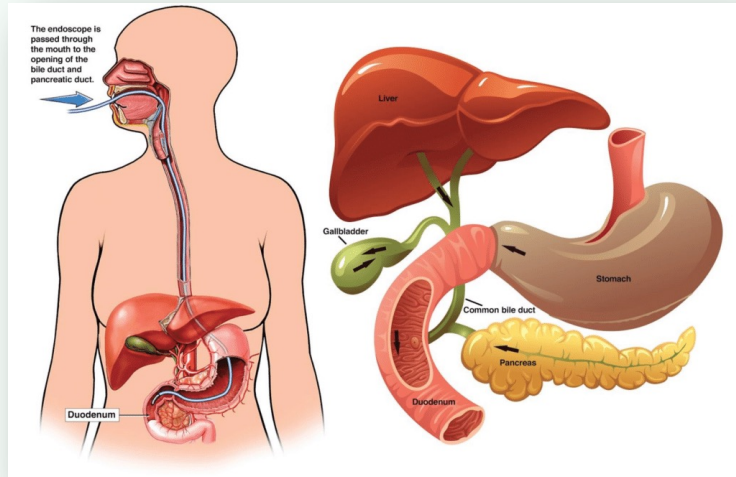
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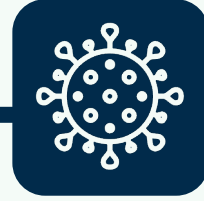
# 1. Background



Source: <https://www.sages.org/>



ERCP: Significant impact on management and prognosis of biliary and pancreatic diseases



Concerns related to duodenoscopy-related infections due to material reprocessing

Study objective using an OMOP CDM harmonized dataset from Brazil:

- To compare the % of readmissions post-ERCP between Single-use (SUG) and Non-single-use (NSUG) institutions



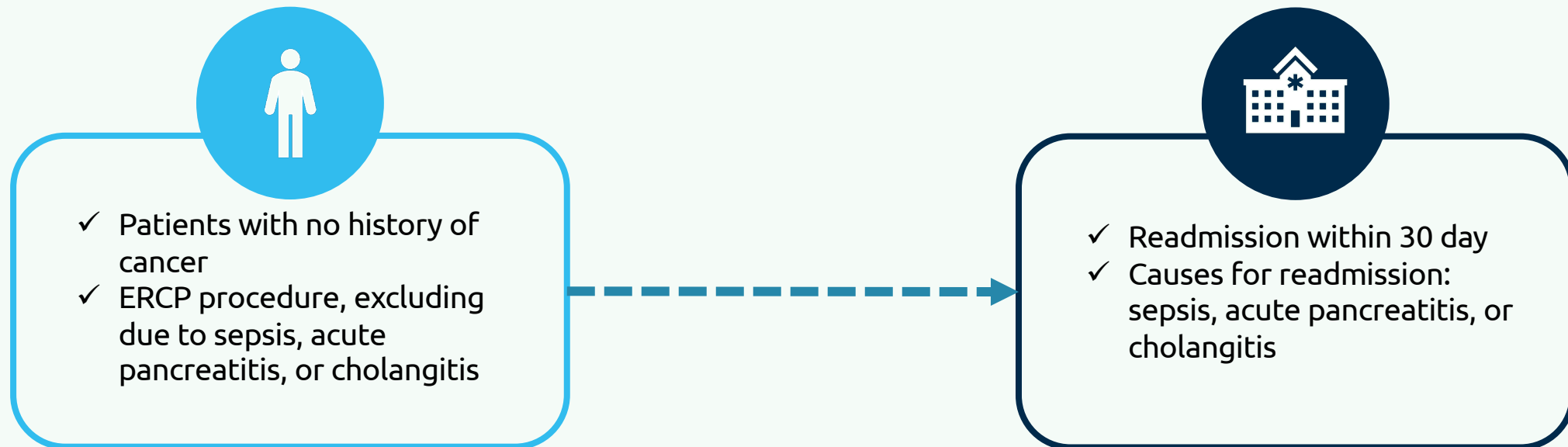
## 2. Methods



**Data source:** Hospital and Ambulatory Information System from Brazilian Administrative Database, mapped to OMOP CDM v 5.4. A deterministic linkage algorithm was developed to connect hospitals with outpatient records using the key information of zip code, date of birth, and gender.



**Study period:** January 2020 to January 2023



# 3. Methods

## Identification of ERCP procedures:



Specific SUS coding system, named Table of the Procedure, Medication, Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Special Materials Management System of the SUS (SIGTAP)

## Statistical analysis: Atlas



## Identification of SUG and NSUG hospitals:

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3 Single-use institutions



15 Non-single use institutions

# 4. Results

Table 1. Descriptive information of total and readmitted patients in SUG and NSUG groups

	SUG		NSUG	
	Total	Readmitted patients	Total	Readmitted patients
<b>N</b>	669	20	887	43
<b>Male (%)</b>	30.9	50.0	34.0	37.0
<b>Mean age (SD)</b>	55.0 (19.0)	55.0 (17.9)	55.0 (19.0)	51.0 (14.9)

Note. SUG – single-use group; NSUG – non-single-use group; SD – standard deviation; Readmitted patients included patients who were hospitalized within 30 days after a patient's ERCP due to sepsis, acute pancreatitis, or cholangitis.

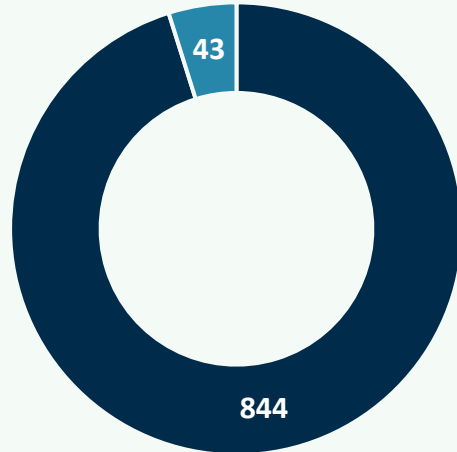


In comparison to the readmitted patients from SUG, the readmitted patients from NSUG had a **higher proportion of female individuals and patients with a lower mean age**

# 5. Results

## Non-Single-Use (NSUG)

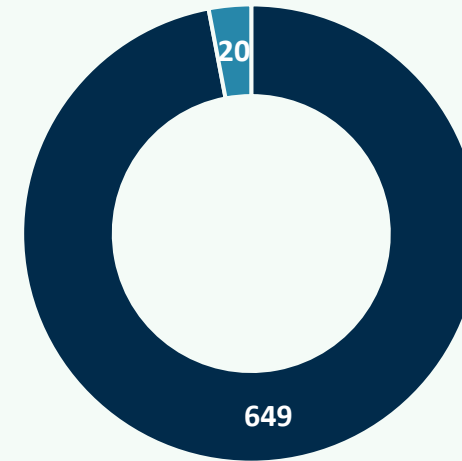
Readmission:  
4.8% (43)



- No readmission
- Readmission within 30 days

## Single-Use (SUG)

Readmission:  
2.9% (20)



- No readmission
- Readmission within 30 days



### Difference between NSUG Group and SUG Group:

The NSUG group had a percentage of readmissions approximately 65% higher compared to the SUG group

## 6. Conclusion and next steps

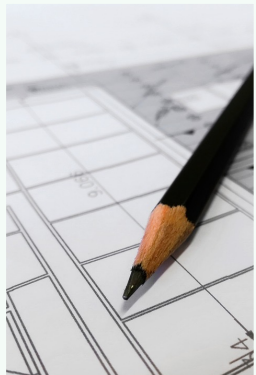
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Real-world data from Brazilian administrative dataset



Higher % of readmissions in NSUG institutions compared to SUG institutions



Next step: estimation study adjusting for confounders and unbalanced data



Inform clinical decision-making and optimal ERCP management practices

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Researching COVID to Enhance Recovery

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# Does COVID-19 Increase Racial/Ethnic Differences in Prevalence of PASC/Long COVID in Children and Adolescents?

— Findings from Difference-in-Differences Analyses using an EHR-Based Cohort from the RECOVER Program

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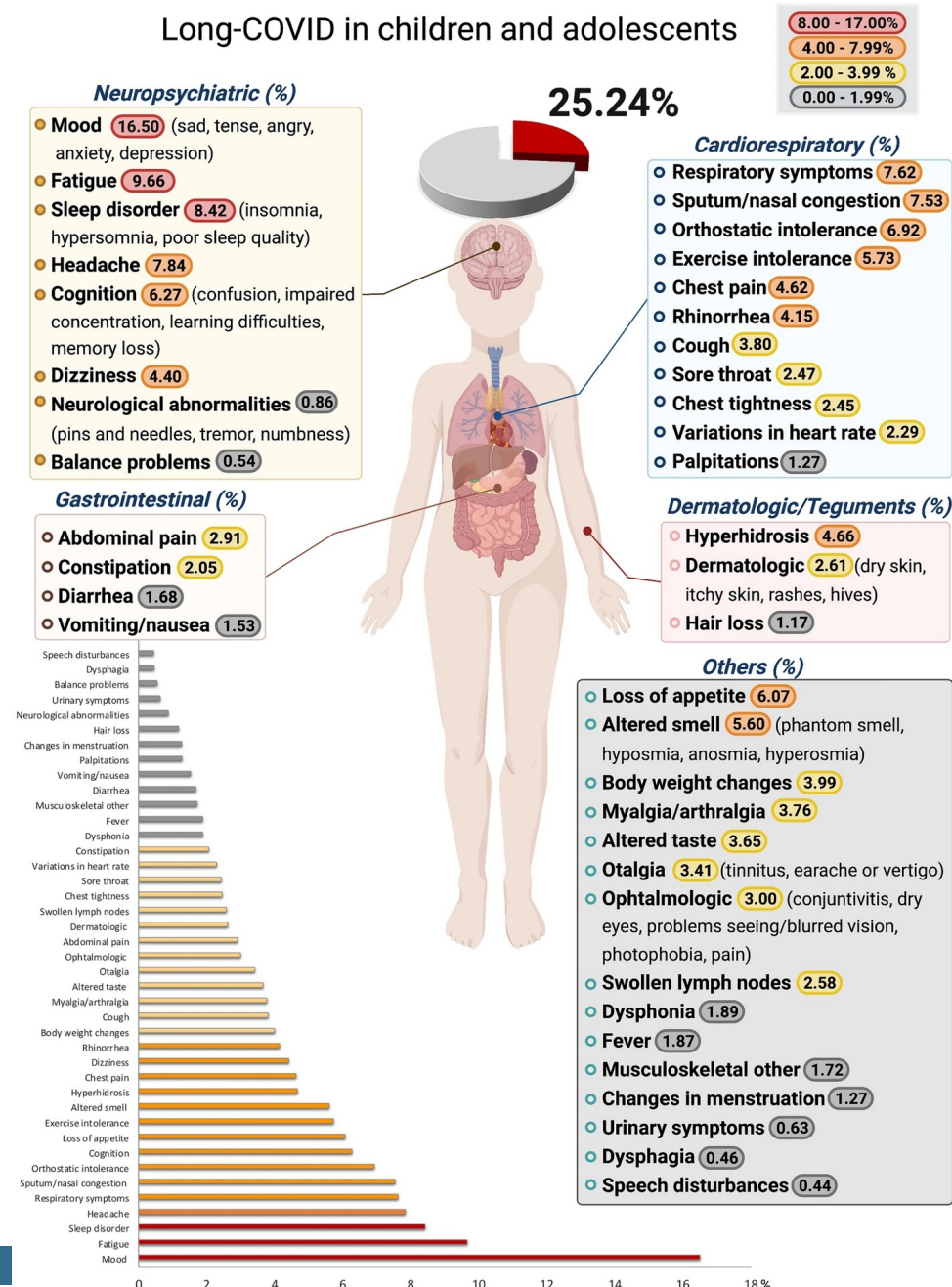
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# What is PASC?





# RECOVER: Researching COVID to Enhance Recovery



- ▶ The National Institutes of Health (NIH) created the RECOVER Initiative to learn about the long-term effects of COVID
- ▶ The goal of RECOVER is to rapidly improve our understanding of and ability to predict, treat, and prevent PASC
  
- ▶ PI for **pediatric** RECOVER:
  - Christopher Forrest (Children's Hospital of Philadelphia)
- ▶ PI for **adult** RECOVER:
  - Rainu Kaushal (Weill Cornell)
- ▶ **Biostatistics** Core Director:
  - Yong Chen
  - for PCORnet Pediatric RECOVER



# Selected Publications on PASC within RECOVER



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## Identifying who has long COVID in the USA: a machine learning approach using N3C data

Emily R Pfaff <sup>1</sup>, Andrew T Girvin <sup>2</sup>, Tellen D Bennett <sup>3</sup>, Abhishek Bhatia <sup>4</sup>, Ian M Brooks <sup>5</sup>, Rachel R Deer <sup>6</sup>, Jonathan P Dekermanjian <sup>7</sup>, Sarah Elizabeth Jolley <sup>8</sup>, Michael G Kahn <sup>9</sup>, Kristin Kostka <sup>10</sup>, Julie A McMurry <sup>11</sup>, Richard Moffitt <sup>12</sup>, Anita Walden <sup>11</sup>, Christopher G Chute <sup>13</sup>, Melissa A Haendel <sup>11</sup>; N3C Consortium

> [Nat Commun](#). 2023 Apr 7;14(1):1948. doi: 10.1038/s41467-023-37653-z.

## Data-driven analysis to understand long COVID using electronic health records from the RECOVER initiative

Chengxi Zang <sup>1</sup>, Yongkang Zhang <sup>1</sup>, Jie Xu <sup>2</sup>, Jiang Bian <sup>2</sup>, Dmitry Morozyuk <sup>1</sup>, Edward J Schenck <sup>3</sup>, Dhruv Khullar <sup>1</sup>, Anna S Nordvig <sup>4</sup>, Elizabeth A Shenkman <sup>2</sup>, Russell L Rothman <sup>5</sup>, Jason P Block <sup>6</sup>, Kristin Lyman <sup>7</sup>, Mark G Weiner <sup>1</sup>, Thomas W Carton <sup>7</sup>, Fei Wang <sup>8</sup>, Rainu Kaushal <sup>1</sup>

> [JAMA Pediatr](#). 2022 Oct 1;176(10):1000-1009. doi: 10.1001/jamapediatrics.2022.2800.

## Clinical Features and Burden of Postacute Sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 Infection in Children and Adolescents

Suchitra Rao <sup>1</sup>, Grace M Lee <sup>2</sup>, Hanieh Razzaghi <sup>3</sup>, Vitaly Lorman <sup>3</sup>, Asuncion Mejias <sup>4</sup>, Nathan M Pajor <sup>5</sup>, Deepika Thacker <sup>6</sup>, Ryan Webb <sup>3</sup>, Kimberley Dickinson <sup>3</sup>, L Charles Bailey <sup>3</sup>, Ravi Jhaveri <sup>7</sup>, Dimitri A Christakis <sup>8 9</sup>, Tellen D Bennett <sup>1</sup>, Yong Chen <sup>10</sup>, Christopher B Forrest <sup>3</sup>

> [Nat Commun](#). 2023 May 22;14(1):2914. doi: 10.1038/s41467-023-38388-7.

## Long COVID risk and pre-COVID vaccination in an EHR-based cohort study from the RECOVER program

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> [MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep](#). 2022 Apr 8;71(14):517-523. doi: 10.15585/mmwr.mm7114e1.

## Cardiac Complications After SARS-CoV-2 Infection and mRNA COVID-19 Vaccination - PCORnet, United States, January 2021-January 2022

Jason P Block, Tegan K Boehmer, Christopher B Forrest, Thomas W Carton, Grace M Lee, Umed A Ajani, Dimitri A Christakis, Lindsay G Cowell, Christine Draper, Nidhi Ghildayal, Aaron M Harris, Michael D Kappelman, Jean Y Ko, Kenneth H Mayer, Kshema Nagavedu, Matthew E Oster, Anuradha Paranjape, Jon Puro, Matthew D Ritchey, David K Shay, Deepika Thacker, Adi V Gundlapalli

> [Nat Med](#). 2023 Jan;29(1):226-235. doi: 10.1038/s41591-022-02116-3. Epub 2022 Dec 1.

## Data-driven identification of post-acute SARS-CoV-2 infection subphenotypes

Hao Zhang <sup>1</sup>, Chengxi Zang <sup>1</sup>, Zhenxing Xu <sup>1</sup>, Yongkang Zhang <sup>1</sup>, Jie Xu <sup>2</sup>, Jiang Bian <sup>2</sup>, Dmitry Morozyuk <sup>1</sup>, Dhruv Khullar <sup>1</sup>, Yiye Zhang <sup>1</sup>, Anna S Nordvig <sup>3</sup>, Edward J Schenck <sup>4</sup>, Elizabeth A Shenkman <sup>2</sup>, Russell L Rothman <sup>5</sup>, Jason P Block <sup>6</sup>, Kristin Lyman <sup>7</sup>, Mark G Weiner <sup>1</sup>, Thomas W Carton <sup>7</sup>, Fei Wang <sup>8</sup>, Rainu Kaushal <sup>1</sup>

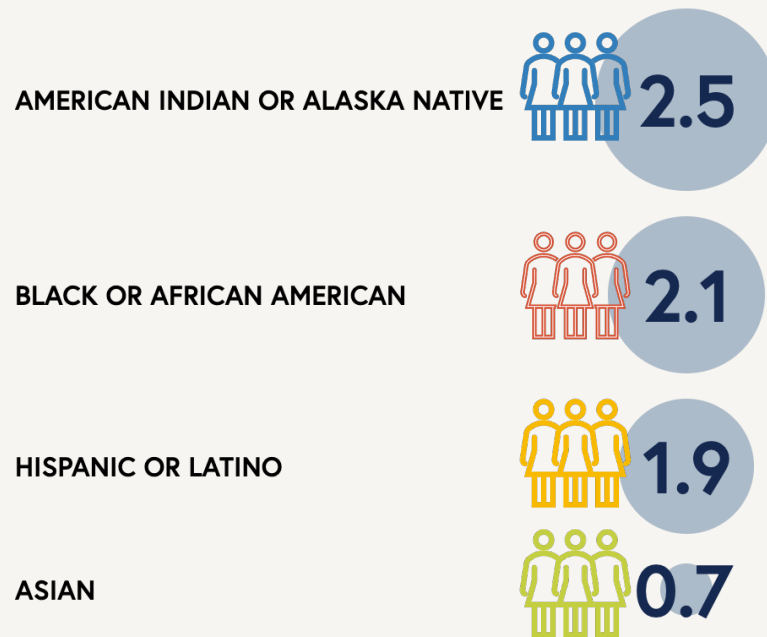
# Racial/ethnic Differences in PASC Prevalence

Millions of people have had COVID-19 — and in many ways, people of color have been hit hardest.

Studies show that **some groups and communities are more likely to go to the hospital** for health issues related to COVID-19. This is because people don't have equal access to health care and information about COVID. And some people live or work in places where they are more likely to catch COVID-19.



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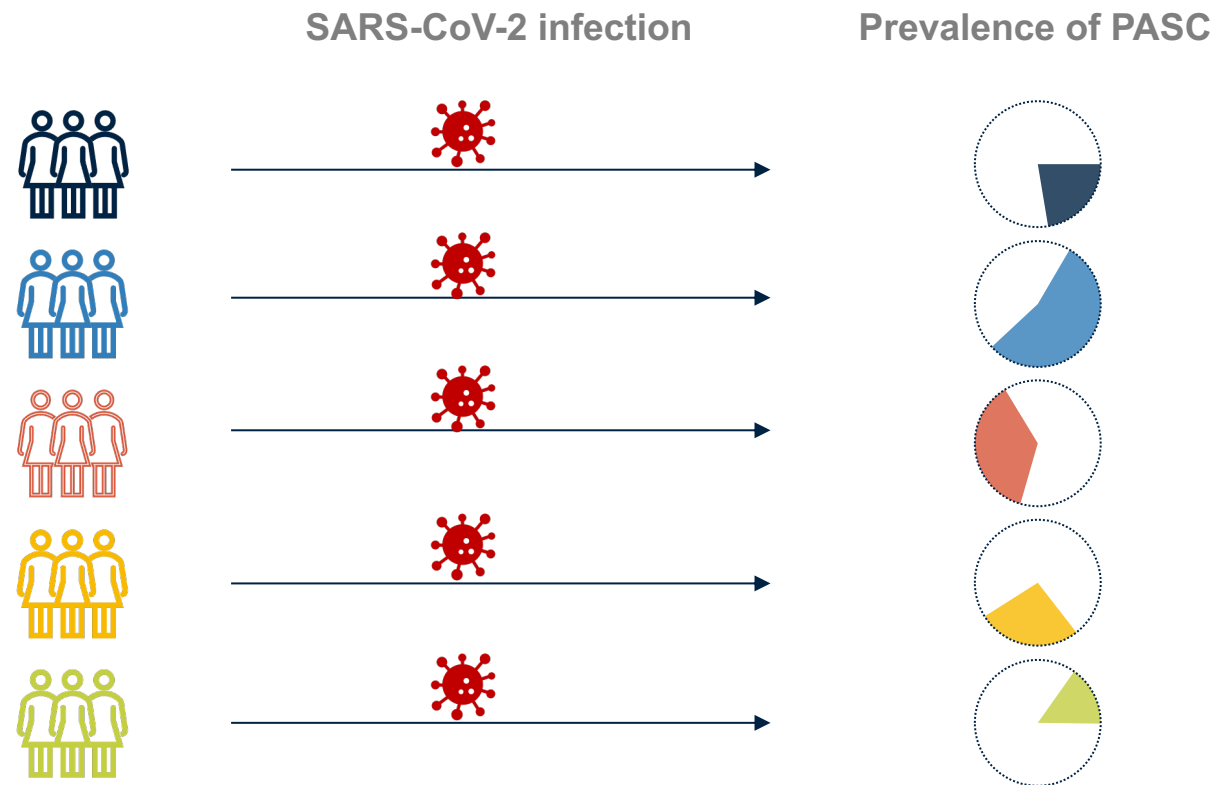
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# Clinical Question

- ▶ Does there exist **racial/ethnic differences** in **potential PASC symptoms and conditions** among children and adolescents after **SARS-CoV-2 infection**?



# Typical Solutions

JOURNAL ARTICLE

## Large-scale evidence generation and evaluation across a network of databases (LEGEND): assessing validity using hypertension as a case study

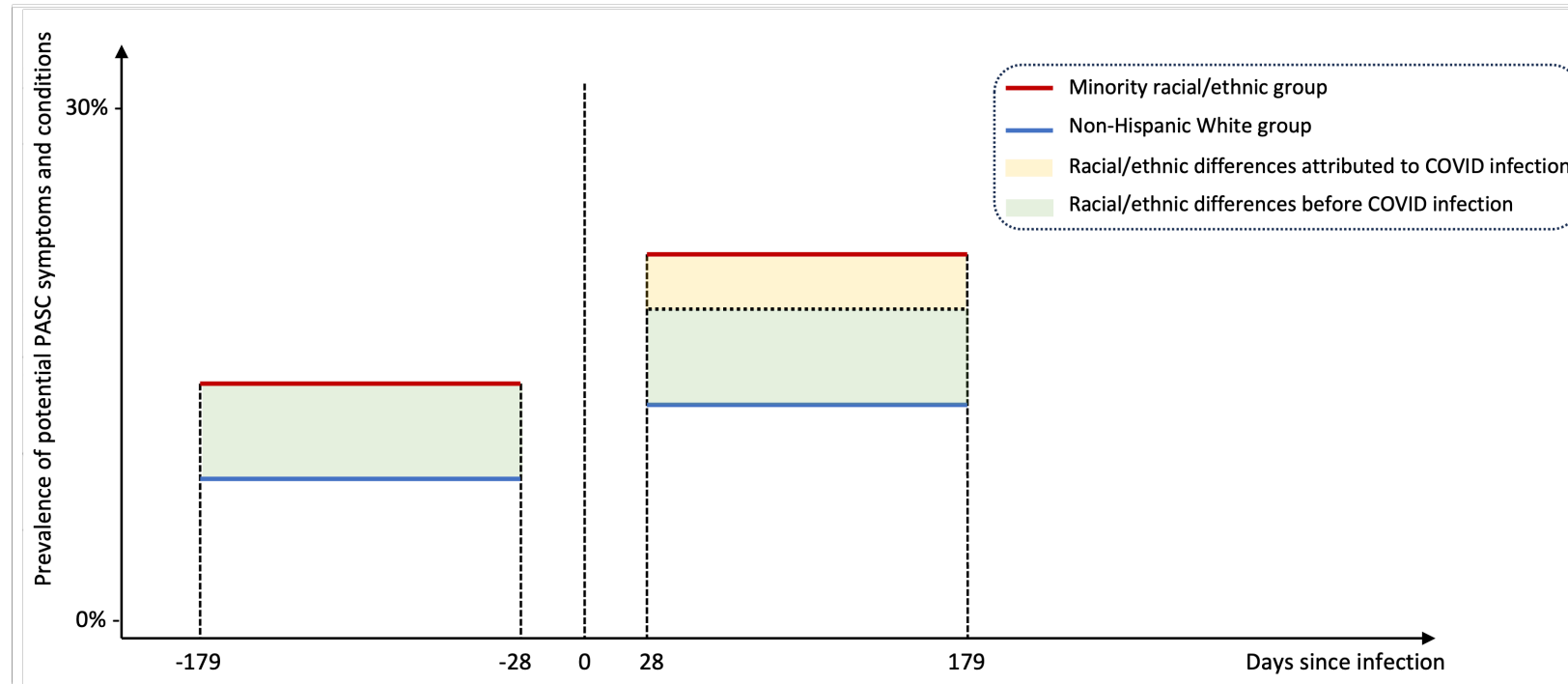
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How many differences are attributable to COVID infection?

# How Many Differences are Attributable to COVID Infection?

- ▶ Difference-in-differences approach



# Proposed Solution

## Standard regression model

- regression model adjusted for confounders

## LEGEND pipeline

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  - Fit LSPS model:  
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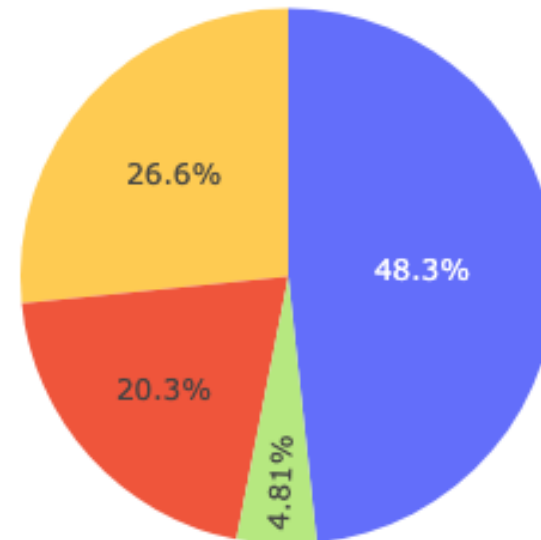
# Study Cohort



225,723 patients across 13 institutions in the US

## Inclusion Criteria

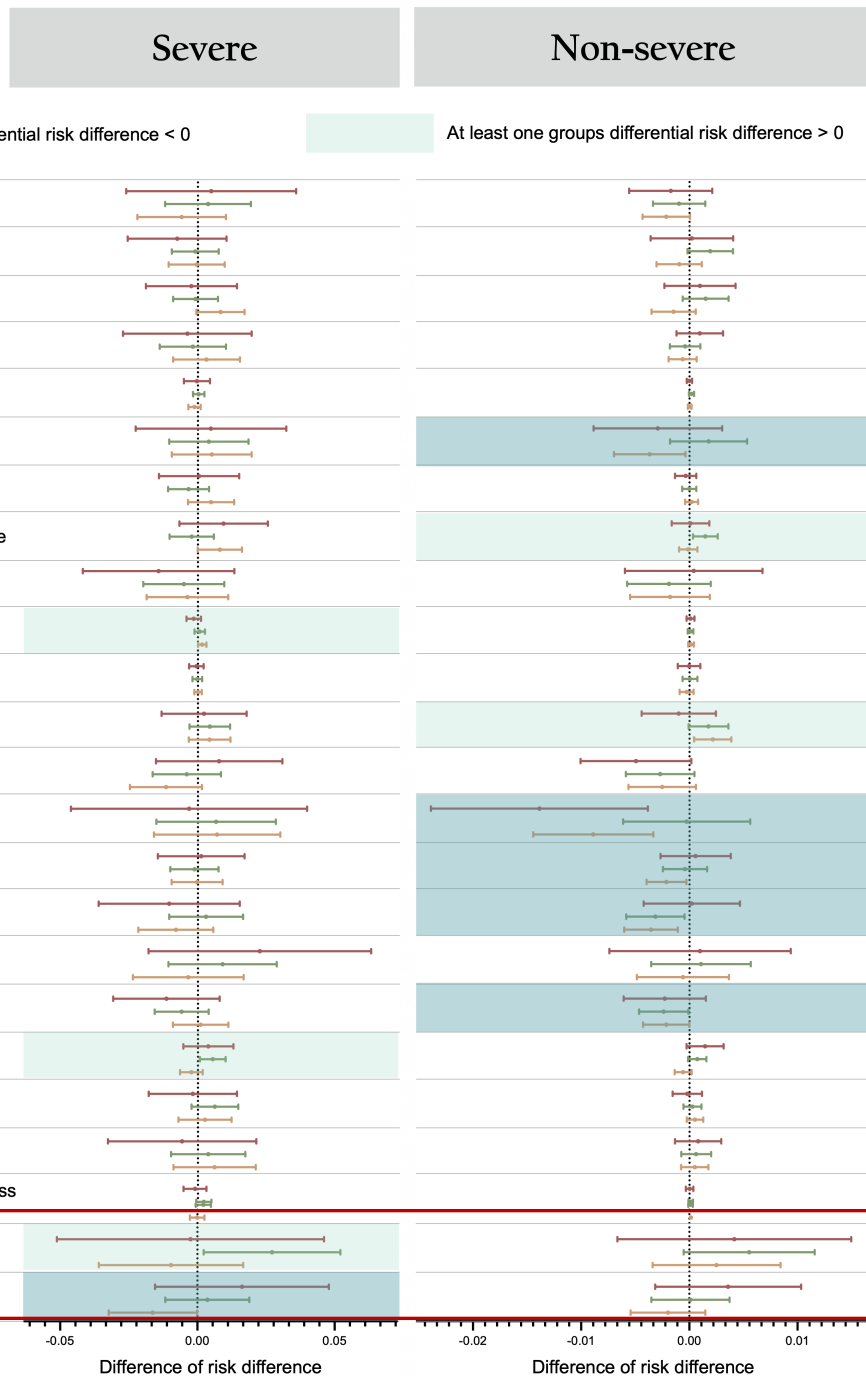
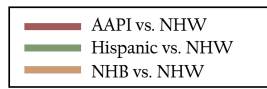
- Documented SARS-CoV-2 infection
- Age < 21 years
- Had at least one visit during the baseline period
- Had at least one visit during the follow-up period



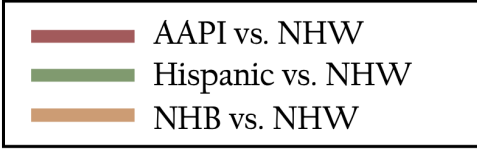
- Non-Hispanic White (NHW)
- Hispanic
- Non-Hispanic Black (NHB)
- Asian American/Pacific Islander (AAPI)







- ▶ Stratify by COVID-19 acute phase **severity**
- ▶ Three minority groups compare to Non-Hispanic White group respectively



## Severe

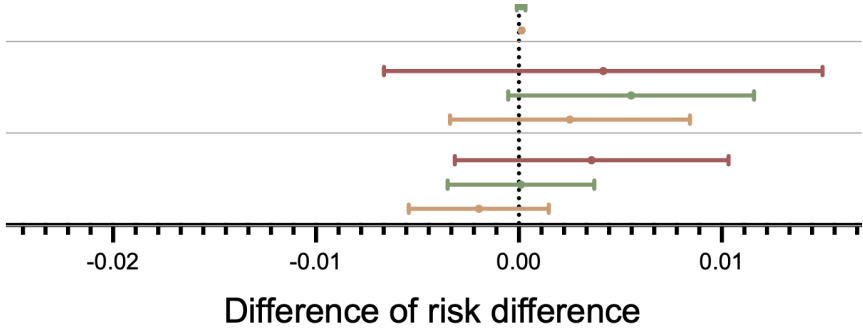
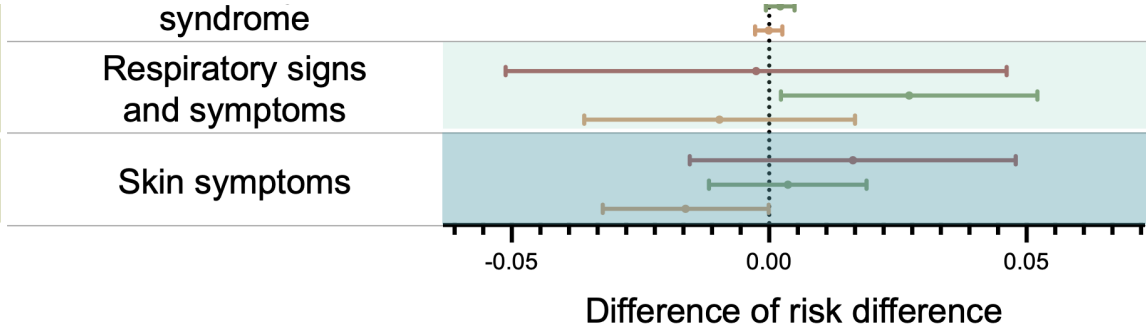
## Non-severe

At least one groups differential risk difference < 0

At least one groups differential risk difference > 0

Respiratory

Skin



# Takeaways

- ▶ Help understand racial/ethnic differences in PASC after SARS-CoV-2 infection among children and adolescents
- ▶ Cover a broad spectrum of the US pediatric population
  - LEGEND principle 1: Generate evidence at a large scale**
  - LEGEND principle 9: Generate evidence across a network of multiple databases**
- ▶ Handle measured confounders using propensity score matching
- ▶ Control pre-COVID racial/ethnic differences using difference-in-differences analyses
  - LEGEND principle 5: Generate evidence using best practices to minimize bias**
- ▶ Future work
  - Explore methods to adjust for systematic bias

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# Eye Care and Vision Research Workgroup: First Year Update



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# Eye Care and Vision Research Workgroup

## Our Journey





## Getting Started

- OHDSI Eye Care and Vision Research Workgroup was started in spring 2022
  - Members of American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO) Data Standards Workgroup identified need for ophthalmic data elements in the OMOP common data model
  - Ophthalmic concepts in source terminologies had not been updated consistently in over a decade
- Goals
  - Create access to large diverse datasets of ophthalmic and systemic data
  - Enable research in vision and systemic health

## Initial Steps



- Created subgroups for tasks & subspecialties
  - Tasks: Concept mapping, visual acuity concept mapping, visual impairment phenotype, image integration, ETL scripts
  - Subspecialties: Glaucoma, retina, pediatrics/strabismus, uveitis
- Recruited colleagues to participate
- National Eye Institute (NEI) at National Institutes of Health (NIH) hired DATA Scholar to manage the project





## Milestones

- Membership
  - 122 total, ~40 active
  - 13 trainees, 10 AI-READI (Bridge2AI) interns
  - Ophthalmologists, optometrists, informaticists, vision scientists
- Meetings
  - 17 Teams workgroup meetings
  - 3 in person meetings
  - ~42 subgroup meetings
  - Countless ad-hoc meetings



## Milestones

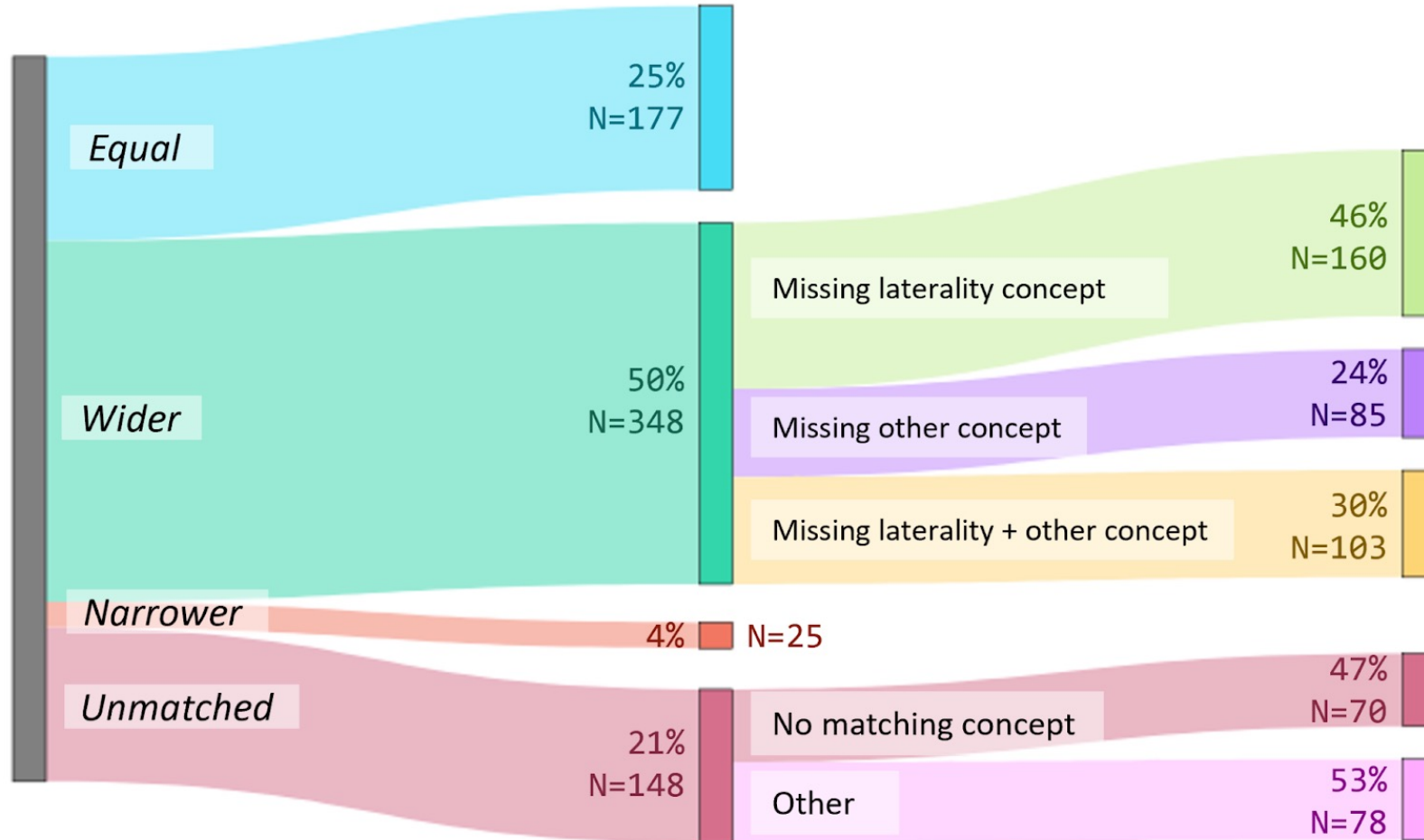
- Collaborations
  - 9 OHDSI workgroups
  - 10 external groups including:
    - American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO)
    - Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO)
    - National Eye Institute
    - NIH Bridge2AI
    - NIH All of Us
    - SNOMED International and LOINC



## Milestones

- Data Concepts
  - >3700 ophthalmic data elements analyzed & mapped
  - 11 retina condition codes submitted to SNOMED International
  - 224 visual acuity concepts submitted to LOINC
  - Glaucoma concepts currently in discussion with SNOMED International

# Epic EHR Concept Matches



Cai C.X., Halfpenny W., Boland M.V., Lehmann H.P., Hribar M., Goetz K.E. & Baxter S.L., Advancing toward a common data model in ophthalmology: gap analysis of general eye examination concepts to standard OMOP concepts, Ophthalmology Science (2023), doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.xops.2023.100391>.



## Milestones

- Phenotypes
  - 3 visual impairment
  - 6 uveitis\*
  - 3 new anti-VEGF users\*
  - 1 blinding disease\*
  - 5 diabetic retinopathy

\*Submitted to How Often



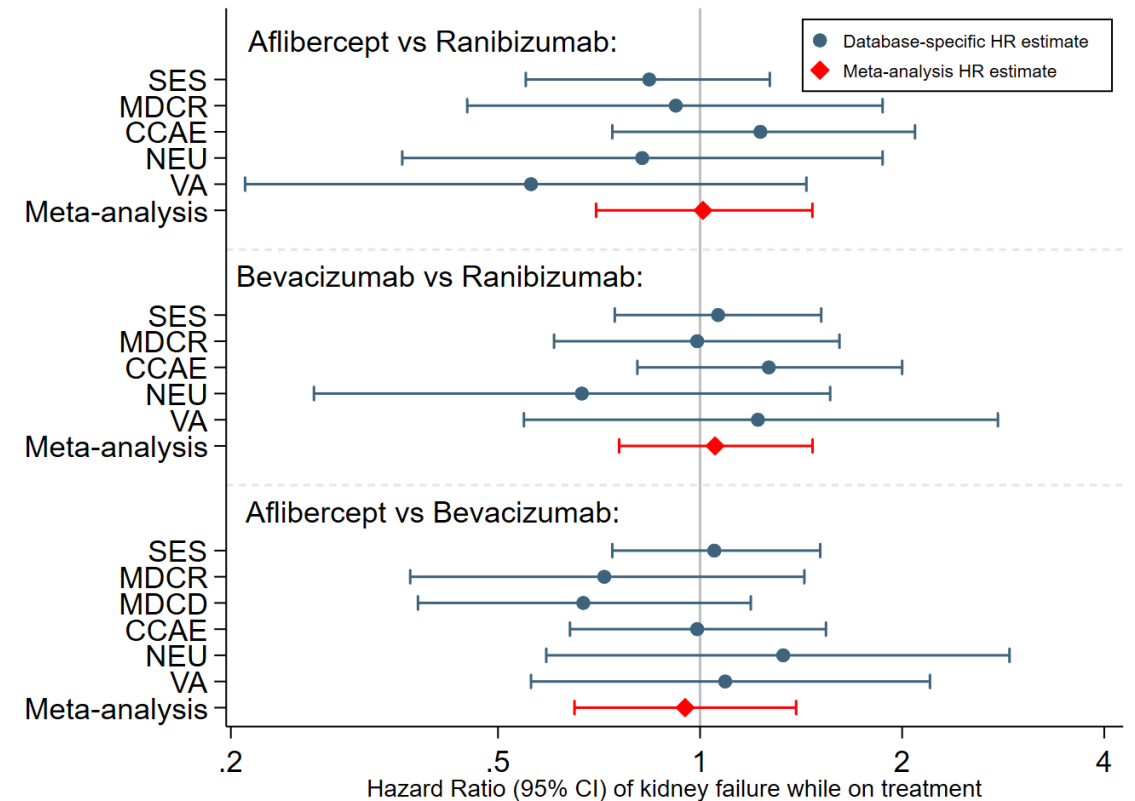
## Milestones

- Publications
  - 9 papers, 4 EyeWiki pages
  - 5 more in progress
- Presentations
  - 18 talks, 5 posters
- Support
  - 1 NEI/NIH Data Scholar
  - 2 Grant submissions

# Milestones



- SOS Challenge 2023
  - Led by Cindy X. Cai MD MS from Johns Hopkins University
  - Comparison of 3 anti-VEGF agents for risk of kidney injury when injected intravitreally
  - Results: no increased risk for kidney injury in any pairwise comparisons
  - Manuscript is in process





## Next Steps

- Pilot at test sites
  - Image integration
  - Concept mappings (prioritized set)
- More eye care and vision research community outreach and education
- More network studies
- More funding support



# First Year Challenges

## Schedules

- Clinic schedules
- Time zones

## Concept Modifiers

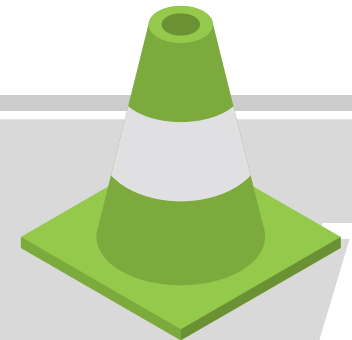
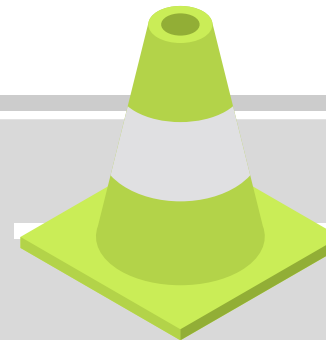
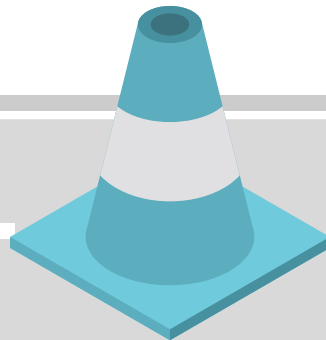
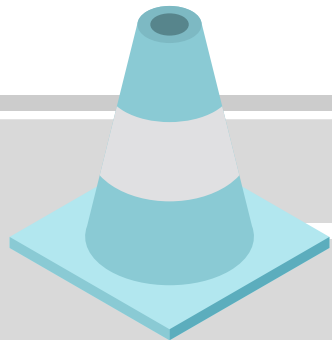
- Measurements often have multiple modifiers
- Pre-coordination results in thousands of concepts

## Resources

- All volunteer effort
- DATA Scholar position is only 2 years

## Diversity

- Members are from academic medical centers
- Need more diverse partners



## Summary

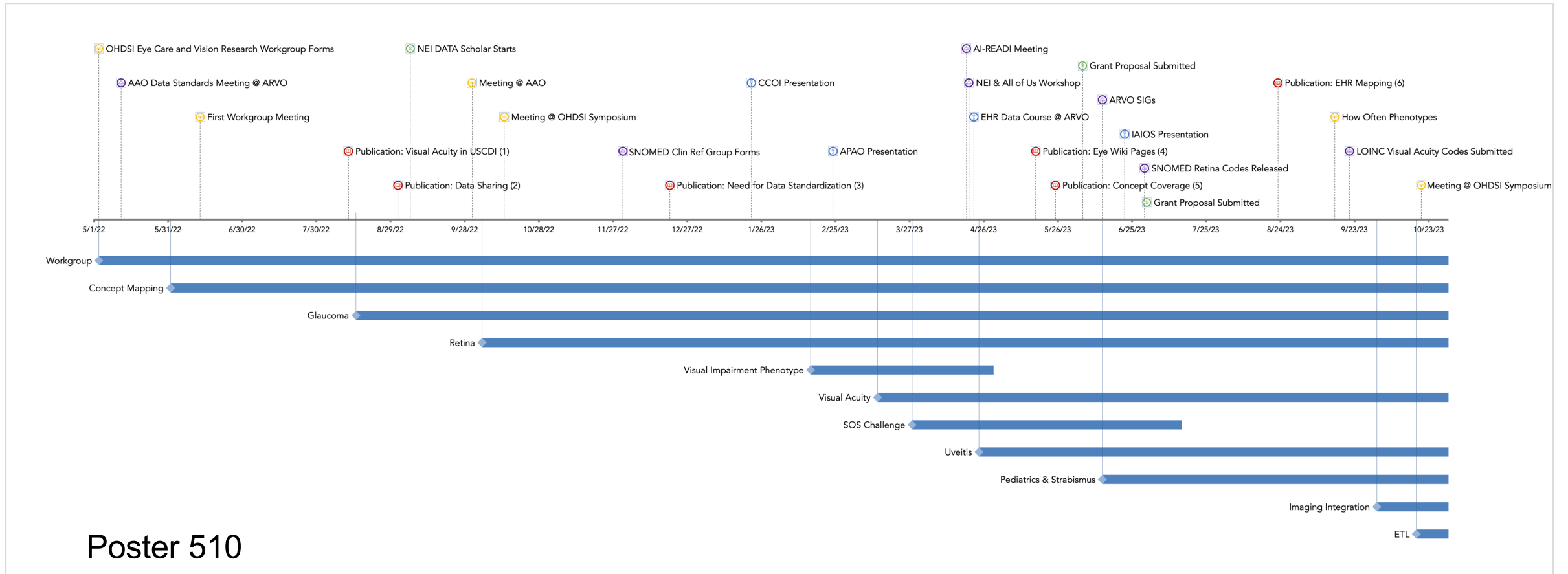
- Eye Care and Vision Research Workgroup had a productive year
- Working towards goal of including ophthalmic data and imaging in the OMOP common data model
- Still much more work to do—come join us!

Workgroup meeting is Sunday, Oct. 22 at 1 – 5 pm.

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  - All of our wonderful members!
- National Eye Institute and National Institutes of Health

# Eye Care and Vision Research Timeline



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