



Meet The Titans

OHDSI Community Call
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Upcoming Community Calls

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Nov. 7	Meet The Titans
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Best Community Contribution Honorees!



Augmenting the National COVID Cohort Collaborative (N3C) Dataset with Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) Data, Secure and Deidentified Clinical Dataset

PRESENTER: **Stephanie S. Hong**

INTRO:

The National COVID Cohort Collaborative (N3C) data Enclave is a platform that provides researchers access to COVID-related patient EMR data in OMOP CDM format. It is the largest centralized repository of COVID-related Patient EMR data in U.S. CMS claims data is also transformed into OMOP CDM format using code map service. N3C COVID patient cohort is now linked to CMS claims data via Privacy Preserving Record Linkage (PPRL). As a result, N3C EMR datasets in OMOP CDM format are enriched with the following additional CMS claims data.

- Inpatient**
- Part D drug prescription**
- Part B**
- Long term care**
- Durable medical equipment**
- Outpatient,**
- Home health**
- Skilled nursing**
- Other services**

METHODS

- CMS claim files in wide format are parsed and pivoted into long format. The clinical concept codes are organized into a condensed format per patient per visit for efficient data transformation.
- The condensed dataset is then used by the Code Map service to generate the clinical concept translation table. The unified version of the OMOP vocabulary tables are used to perform the translation from the source code to OMOP concept IDs
- The generated code map service table is used as input in the data pipeline to transform the CMS claims datasets into OMOP CDM format.
- The data pipeline is built to generate CMS dataset in OMOP CDM format with N3C PPRL linkage.
- N3C data is enriched with CMS data per PPRL-linked N3C patient. In cases where N3C person_id is duplicated, a Global ID is provided for each.

How much data from Medicare?

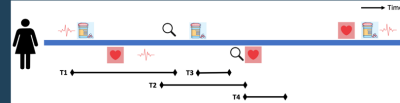


How much data from Medicaid?



Link to continuously updated view of N3C enriched dataset via PPRL linkage: <https://covid.cd2h.org/dashboard/public-health/pprl/1>

A timeline with no gaps, either overlapping or contiguous, is used to construct the **Macro Visit** akin to the N3C macro visit approach.



Take a picture to download the brief report

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RESULT:

92 sites are participating in N3C
 30 sites are participating in N3C CMS PPRL linkage
 N3C total patients : 20,868,921
 N3C PPRL-linked CMS patients : 359,096
 Total rows of data in N3C: 28.3billion
 Total rows of data in CMS: 653,366,927
 N3C dataset enriched by CMS

Among the PPRL-linked patients, in average, additional concepts are available from CMS:

Claims	Domain	PPRL-Linked patient/ domain	Average # of additional concepts added per patient
Medicare	Condition	71%	78
Medicare	Procedure	60%	6.33
Medicare	Drug_exposure	75%	21.83
Medicare	Measurement	60%	16.48
Medicare	Observation	68.9%	8.6
Medicare	Device	47.6%	6.8
Medicaid	Condition	20.8%	33.9
Medicaid	Procedure	20.2%	23
Medicaid	Drug_exposure	21.9%	20.9
Medicaid	Measurement	17.8%	17.44
Medicaid	Observation	18.3%	6.88
Medicaid	Device	13.9%	6.3

Code Map Service: Terminology codes appear in multiple columns, i.e.col01 to col45. And some claim source files were over 4000 columns wide. The dataset is pivoted to condense format to generate the clinical concept translation table using OMOP vocab.



Source code	Code Column ID	Source code system	Mapped vocabulary id
• E11	• 01	• ICD10CM	• ICD10CM
• OF9D30Z	• 45	• ICD10PCS	• ICD10PCS

CMS-OMOP Code Map crosswalk mapping table generated : used in data transformation

CMS source code map to omop concept id



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Generating Synthetic Electronic Health Records in OMOP using GPT

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Background

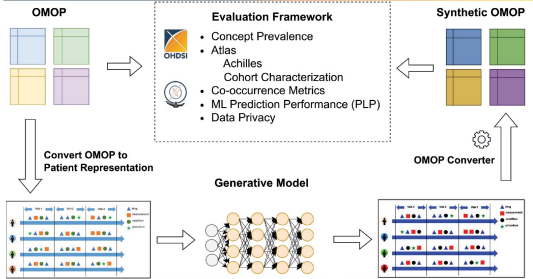
This work focuses on synthetic data generation and demonstrate the capability of training a GPT model using a patient representation derived from CEHR-BERT, enabling the generation of patient sequences that can be seamlessly converted to the OMOP data format bi-direction.

Current approach: Bag of Word + GAN Model

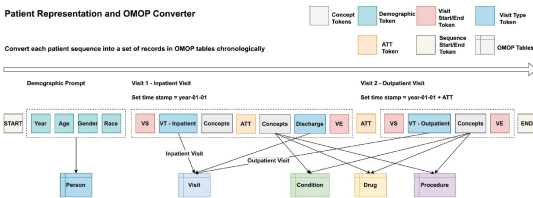
Use cases of synthetic EHR data:

- Phenotype algorithm validation
- Prediction research
- Tool development
- External validation
- Training and education
- Debiasing the source data
- Counterfactual dataset

Methods – Framework

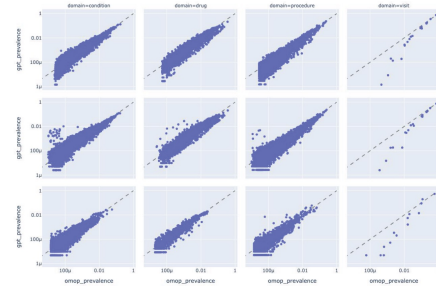


Methods – Patient Representation and OMOP Converter

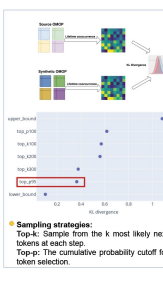


Results

Concept Prevalence



Co-occurrence Metrics



Machine Learning Performance Metrics

Target Cohorts	Real data	Top P ¹⁰ cumulative probability cutoff P (%)		Top K ¹⁰ K concepts with the highest probabilities	
		Top P = 95%	Top P = 100%	Top K = 100	Top K = 300
HF Readmission	Pre = 25.7 AUC = 65.7 PR = 39.3	Pre = 27.6 AUC = 69.2 PR = 45.7	Pre = 28.4 AUC = 65.9 PR = 41.8	Pre = 30.7 AUC = 68.1 PR = 47.8	Pre = 26.5 AUC = 64.9 PR = 39.3
Hospitalization	Pre = 5.6 AUC = 75.3 PR = 19.5	Pre = 5.2 AUC = 77.1 PR = 21.4	Pre = 7.3 AUC = 68.3 PR = 16.5	Pre = 2.8 AUC = 87.0 PR = 22.1	Pre = 6.3 AUC = 78.7 PR = 24.6
COPD Readmission	Pre = 34.5 AUC = 74.2 PR = 83.8	Pre = 37.8 AUC = 75.4 PR = 84.4	Pre = 47.2 AUC = 74.1 PR = 67.2	Pre = 26.4 AUC = 75.3 PR = 80.3	Pre = 34.5 AUC = 68.8 PR = 80.2
Afib Ischemic Stroke	Pre = 8.7 AUC = 84.0 PR = 48.5	Pre = 10.2 AUC = 78.9 PR = 45.2	Pre = 10.4 AUC = 70.7 PR = 39.1	Pre = 16.6 AUC = 77.1 PR = 50.5	Pre = 10.8 AUC = 76.8 PR = 38.5
CAD CABG	Pre = 7.1 AUC = 88.4 PR = 55.9	Pre = 4.1 AUC = 81.5 PR = 25.2	Pre = 4.4 AUC = 52.9 PR = 4.3	Pre = 7.2 AUC = 75.6 PR = 38.5	Pre = 4.0 AUC = 79.0 PR = 24.1

Conclusions

- First framework generated longitudinal synthetic EHR data using OMOP CDM.
- Designed an innovative patient representation by incorporating temporal information which allowed for an accurate reconstruction of patient medical timeline as compared to state of art methods.
- Comprehensive evaluation procedures showed that the synthetic data preserved the fundamental patient characteristics of the real population.

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Open-Source Development

GUSTO Data Vault:
Laying the foundations for an open science system with OMOP Data Catalogue

PRESENTER: **Cindy Ho, Mukkesh Kumar**

INTRO:

- Growing Up in Singapore Towards healthy Outcomes (GUSTO) aims to understand how conditions in pregnancy and early childhood influence the subsequent health and development of women and children.
- The A*STAR/GUSTO Data Vault platform have advanced data exploration capabilities for research data, biospecimens and publications asset management.
- The OMOP Data Catalogue was created in GUSTO Data Vault to showcase the GUSTO data which have been converted into OMOP CDM format.

METHODS

- Data Vault (containerized web application with Docker) was built using PostgreSQL database and Django.
- Tools used: HTML, CSS, jQuery, Ajax, Python, Plotly Dash, Dashboard engine in Dash Enterprise, AWS Cloud Platform.
- OMOP fields were mapped using Athena and customized R programming scripts.

RESULTS

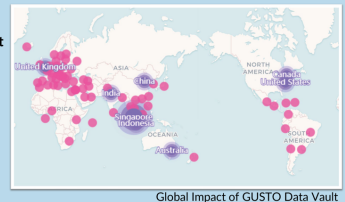
- OMOP Data Catalogue makes GUSTO cohort-specific CDM fields to be discovered across the Person, Condition, Observation and Measurement tables by the global research community.
- Metadata is described with relevant attributes such as CDM Field, Concept ID, Name, Subject Type, Visit Timepoint, Description and Domain.
- Data profiling of the OMOP Concept IDs enables GUSTO data to be reused, described, discovered, and identified by researchers (FAIR data principles).
- OMOPed data from incremental OMOP conversions can be seamlessly integrated in OMOP Data Catalogue by GUSTO data curators.
- This enables database level characterizations for GUSTO study.

GUSTO OMOP Data Catalogue lays the foundations for developing cross-study OMOP Data Catalogues expanded across APAC and global OHDSI data partners, enabling database level characterizations.



Scan to visit GUSTO Data Vault (<https://gustodatavault.sg>)

Scan to download the abstract



Recruitment
In 2019, GUSTO researchers were recruited in GUSTO study when they were 11 weeks pregnant.

Delivery
1,008 of the women delivered.

Current
We will include 113 of the study children and 12 per cent. There are about 450 participants who are still active in the longitudinal study.

Our future work includes the optimization of GUSTO OMOP data conversion journey using advanced OMOP conversion tools such as the IQVIA OMOP Converter.

Snippets of OMOP Data Catalogue Landing Page

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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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Background

- ERCP: Significant impact on management and prognosis of biliary and pancreatic diseases
- Concerns related to duodenoscope-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

Methods

Data source: Brazilian national administrative database (DATASUS), including the Hospital and Ambulatory Information Systems. A deterministic linkage algorithm was developed to connect both datasets.

Inclusion and exclusion criteria:

- Patients with no history of cancer
- ERCP procedure, excluding due to sepsis, acute pancreatitis, or cholangitis
- Readmission within 30 day
- Causes for readmission: sepsis, acute pancreatitis, or cholangitis

Identification of SUG and NSUG hospitals:

- 3 SUG institutions:** one institution from the Northeast and two from the Midwest of Brazil
- 15 NSUG institutions:** twelve institutions from the Northeast, two from the North, and one from the Southeast of Brazil

Statistical analysis: Atlas

Results

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

	SUG		NSUG	
	Total	Readmitted patients	Total	Readmitted patients
N	669	20	887	43
Male (%)	30.9	50.0	34.0	37.0
Mean age (SD)	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

Readmission NSUG: 4.8%
 Readmission SUG: 2.9% → 65% higher

Conclusions

Conclusion: We found a **greater %** of readmission of patients following ERCP procedures in the **NSUG institutions** compared to those observed in the **SUG institutions**

Limitations: **unbalanced** number and geographical distribution of SUG and NSUG institutions, **descriptive analysis** and no adjustment for potential confounders

Next steps: estimation study, controlling for potential confounders and dealing with unbalanced data

Clinical importance: advance the understanding of materials reprocessing implications and to inform clinical decision-making and optimal practices for ERCP management

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Three Stages of The Journey

Where Have We Been?

Where Are We Now?

Where Are We Going?





Upcoming Workgroup Calls



Date	Time (ET)	Meeting
Wednesday	9 am	Patient-Level Prediction
Wednesday	12 pm	Health Equity
Wednesday	2 pm	Natural Language Processing
Thursday	8 am	India Chapter
Thursday	9:30 am	Data Network Quality
Thursday	12 pm	Medical Devices
Thursday	7 pm	Dentistry
Friday	9 am	Phenotype Development & Evaluation
Friday	9 am	GIS – Geographic Information System Development
Friday	1 pm	Clinical Trials
Friday	11 pm	China Chapter
Monday	9 am	Vaccine Vocabulary
Monday	10 am	Africa Chapter
Monday	11 am	Early-Stage Researchers
Tuesday	9 am	OMOP CDM Oncology Genomic Subgroup



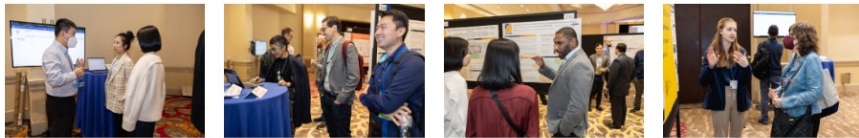
Global Symposium Homepage

2023 OHDSI Symposium

Oct. 20-22 · East Brunswick, New Jersey

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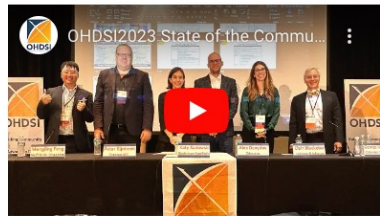
This page will be home to all materials from the global symposium. Check back in the coming days for all video presentations from the event! #JoinTheJourney #OHDSI2023



State of the Community

Various leaders within OHDSI shared a presentation on the state of the community, with specific focuses on data standards, vocabulary enhancements and open-source development. **Speakers included:**

- George Hripcsak**, Columbia University
- Clair Blacketer**, Johnson & Johnson
- Alexander Davydov**, Odysseus Data Services
- Katy Sadowski**, Boehringer Ingelheim
- Peter Rijnbeek**, Erasmus MC
- Mengling 'Mornin' Feng**, National University of Singapore

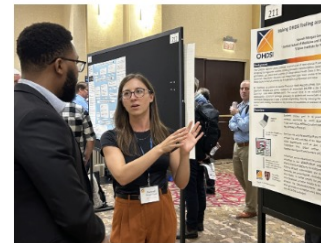


State of the Community Slides

Collaborator Showcase Posters & Software Demos

Received a record number of submissions for the 2023 Collaborator Showcase, following detailed review by community volunteers in the Scientific Committee, there were 137 posters and 24 software demos that were presented during the collaborator showcase.

Visit the link below to visit the posters, brief reports and other supplementary materials for each showcase submission. Each submission will be featured in the #OHDSISocialShowcase, so please make sure you follow us on [Twitter/X](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#).



2023 Collaborator Showcase Posters & Demos



Tutorial: Introduction to OHDSI

The journey from data to evidence can be challenging alone but is greatly facilitated through community collaboration. In this half-day tutorial, we will introduce newcomers to OHDSI. Specifically, about the tools, practices, and open-science approach to evidence generation that the OHDSI community has developed and evolved over the past decade.

Faculty will highlight the ways community individuals can participate as well as receive value from the community's outputs. The course will include topics such as open community data standards – including the OMOP Common Data Model and OHDSI Standardized Vocabularies, opensource analytic tools



2023 Global Collaborator Showcase

Observational Data Standards & Management

- 2 – [FinOMOP – a population-based data network](#) (Javier Gracia-Tabuenca, Perttu Koskenvesa, Pia Tajanen, Sampo Kukkurainen, Gustav Klingstedt, Anna Hammals, Persephone Doupi, Oscar Brück, Leena Hakkarainen, Annu Kaila, Marco Hautalahti, Toni Mikkola, Marianna Niemi, Pasi Rikala, Simo Ryhänen, Anna Virtanen, Arto Mannermaa, Arto Vuori, Joanne Demmler, Eric Fey, Terhi Kilpi, Arho Virkki, Tarja Laitinen, Kimmo Porikka)
- 3 – [From OMOP to CDISC SDTM: Successes, Challenges, and Future Opportunities of using EHR Data for Drug Repurposing in COVID-19](#) (Wesley Anderson, Ruth Kurtycz, Tahsin Farid, Shermarke Hassan, Kalynn Kennon, Pam Dasher, Danielle Boyce, Will Roddy, Smith F. Heavner)
- 4 – [Augmenting the National COVID Cohort Collaborative \(N3C\) Dataset with Medicare and Medicaid \(CMS\) Data, Secure and Deidentified Clinical Dataset](#) (Stephanie Hong, Thomas Richards, Benjamin Amor, Tim Schwab, Philip Sparks, Maya Choudhury, Saad Ljazouli, Peter Leese, Amin Manna, Christophe Roeder, Tanner Zhang, Lisa Eskenazi, Bryan Laraway, James Cavallon, Eric Kim, Shijia Zhang, Emir Amaro Syallendra, Shawn O'Neil, Davera Gabriel, Sigfried Gold, Tricia Francis, Andrew Girvin, Emily Pfaff, Anita Walden, Harold Lehmann, Melissa Haendel, Ken Gersing, Christopher G Chute)
- 5 – [Integrating clinical and laboratory research data using the OMOP CDM](#) (Edward A. Frankenberger, Chun Yang, Vamsidhar Reddy Meda Venkata, Alyssa Goodson)
- 6 – [Development of Medical Imaging Data Standardization for Imaging-Based Observational Research: OMOP Common Data Model Extension](#) (Woo Yeon Park, Kyulee Jeon, Teri Sippel Schmidt, Haridimos Kondylakis, Seng Chan You, Paul Nagy)
- 7 – [Conversion of a Myositis Precision Medicine Center into a Common Data Model: A Case Study](#) (Zachary Wang, Will Kelly, Paul Nagy, Christopher A Mecoli)
- 8 – [Implementing a common data model in ophthalmology: Comparison of general eye examination mapping to standard OMOP concepts across two major EHR systems](#) (Justin C. Quon, William Halfpenny, Cindy X. Cai, Sally L. Baxter, Brian C. Toy)
- 9 – [Enhancing Data Quality Management: Introducing Capture and Cleanse Modes to the Data Quality Dashboard](#) (Frank DeFalco, Clair Blacketer)
- 10 – ["OMOP Anywhere": Daily Updates from EHR Data Leveraging Epic's Native Tools](#) (Mujeeb A Basit, Mereeja Varghese, Aamirah Vadsariya, Bhavini Nayee, Margaret Langley, Ashley Huynh, Jennifer Cai, Donglu Xie, Cindy Kao, Eric Nguyen, Todd Boutte, Shiby Antony, Tammye Garrett, Christoph U Lehmann, Duwayne L Willett)
- 11 – [A Toxin Vocabulary for the OMOP CDM](#) (Maksym Trofymenko, Polina Talapova, Tetiana Nesmilan, Andrew Williams, Denys Kaduk, Max Ved, Inna Ageeva)
- 12 – [Challenges and opportunities in adopting OMOP-CDM in Brazilian healthcare: a report from Hospital Israelita Albert Einstein](#) (Maria Abrahao, Uri Adrian Prync Flato, Mateus de Lima Freitas, Diogo Patrão, Amanda Gomes Rabelo, Cesar Augusto Madid Truys, Gabriela Chiffa Tunes, Etienne Duin, Gabriel Mesquita de Souza, Soraya Yukari Aashiro, Adriano José Pereira, Edson Amaro)
- 13 – [Transforming the Optum® Enriched Oncology module to OMOP CDM](#) (Dmitry Dymshyts, Clair Blacketer)
- 14 – [Mapping Multi-layered Oncology Data in OMOP](#) (John Methot, Sherry Lee)
- 15 – [Development of psychiatric common data model \(P-CDM\) leveraging psychiatric scales](#) (Dong Yun Lee, Chungsoo Kim, Rae Woong Park)
- 16 – [Brazilian administrative data for real-world research: a deterministic linkage procedure and OMOP CDM harmonization](#) (Jessica Mayumi Maruyama, Julio Cesar Barbour Oliveira)
- 17 – [Integration of Clinical and Genomic Data Mapped to the OMOP Common Data Model in a Federated Data Network in Belgium](#) (Tatjana Jatsenko, Murat Akand, Joris Robert Vermeesch, Dries Rombaut, Michel Van Speybroeck, Martine Lewi, Valerie Vandeweerdt)

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The Journey Newsletter (November 2023)

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OHDSI Videocast: 2023 Symposium Review

OHDSI On The Journey

Patrick Ryan and Craig Sachson

In the latest On The Journey video, Patrick Ryan and Craig Sachson reflect on the OHDSI 2023 Global Symposium, including looks at the State of the Community talk, and both the plenary (Improving the reliability and scale of case validation) and panel (Lessons learned from OHDSI network studies) sessions. They also discuss the largest collaborator showcase in OHDSI history, the weekend events, and more. (If video does not appear, click 'view this email in your browser')

November Newsletter

Community Updates

Where Have We Been?

- The 2023 Global Symposium was held Oct. 20-22 in East Brunswick, N.J., and it included a main conference and a full weekend of activities, including the "Welcome to OHDSI" tutorial. All presentations, slides and showcase submissions from OHDSI2023 are now available [on the event homepage](#).
- The 2023 Titan Awards were presented at the OHDSI Global Symposium. Congratulations to our 2023 honorees, who were both nominated and selected by fellow community members!

- Data Standards: **Gowtham Rao** and **Azza Shoabi**
- Methodological Research: **Jiayi (Jessie) Tong**
- Open-Source Development: **Katy Sadowski**
- Clinical Applications: **Center for Surgical Science**
- Community Leadership: **Nicole Pratt**
- Community Collaboration: **Cynthia Song**
- Community Support: **Gyeol Song**

Where Are We Now?

- Thirty-six organizations and data sources were introduced as the original members of the OHDSI Evidence Network during the State of the Community presentation. These are among the 534 data sources mapped to the OMOP CDM. If your data source would like to join the OHDSI Evidence Network, [please fill out this brief form](#).
- The latest edition of the Our Journey annual report was shared at the Global Symposium, and [there is a digital version](#) that you can access on the OHDSI website.
- The #OHDSISocialShowcase has begun for the Global Symposium. Please make sure you are following OHDSI's [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter/X](#) and [Instagram](#) feeds to receive daily updates on the research presented by our community.



OHDSI 2023 Focuses On Large-Scale Evidence Generation & Community Collaboration

The 2023 OHDSI Global Symposium brought together more than 430 community members from around the world for a three-day event filled with opportunities to learn, connect and forge new relationships.

The main conference was held during Day 1, and featured a plenary on improving the reliability and scale of case validation, a State of the Community presentation by several leaders in the community, and a panel on lessons learned from OHDSI network studies. [The collaborator showcase](#) included a record number of posters, software demos and lightning talks, and the closing included an interactive session on large-scale collaboration, escape-room style.

There were also two days of workshops, workgroup meetings and an Introduction to OHDSI tutorial. Videos and slides from all presentations and the tutorial are available on the symposium homepage. Thank you to those who both volunteered their time to make the event a success or joined us to help push forward OHDSI's mission of improving health by empowering a community to collaboratively generate the evidence that promotes better health decisions and better care.

[Symposium Homepage](#)

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Spotlight: Atif Adam



While my time in the OHDSI community is relatively brief, the environment struck a chord with me immediately. What stands out is how the community welcomes expertise from myriad backgrounds. Whether you're a seasoned researcher, a data scientist, a clinician, or even someone just starting in healthcare analytics, OHDSI is a platform where different levels of familiarity converge to nurture actionable knowledge.



Dr. Atif Adam is a systems scientist and researcher boasting over a decade of diversified experience spanning academia, industry, and entrepreneurial ventures. He attained his doctorate in Health Systems Science and Computational Epidemiology. In addition, Dr. Adam completed his clinical training in Internal Medicine and secured master's degrees in Health Policy and Spatial Epidemiology.

His research probes the nuanced relationships between chronic cardiometabolic diseases, mental health, cognitive aging, and health disparities. During his academic appointments at institutions such as Johns Hopkins and Harvard, Dr. Adam pioneered innovative simulation frameworks

October Publications

Frid S, Bracons Cucó G, Gil Rojas J, López-Rueda A, Pastor Duran X, Martínez-Sáez O, Lozano-Rubí R. [Evaluation of OMOP CDM, i2b2 and ICGC ARGO for supporting data harmonization in a breast cancer use case of a multicentric European AI project](#). J Biomed Inform. 2023 Sep 27;147:104505. doi: 10.1016/j.jbi.2023.104505. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 37774908.

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OHDSI at AMIA

📅 Saturday, Nov 11, 2023

🕒 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM CST

OHDSI RWE Revolution: Igniting Data Modernization with Harmonized Standards for Cutting-Edge Health Research



In response to the 21st Century Cures Act and the growing importance of Real-world evidence (RWE), the FDA has released guidance on RWE data for regulatory decision-making. Despite RWE's potential to improve clinical studies, challenges remain in rapidly utilizing RWE for decision-making due to the volume and diversity of real-world data, further emphasized by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Observational Health Data Science and Informatics (OHDSI) developed the Observational Medical Outcomes Partnership (OMOP) to address these challenges and ensure the quality of RWE. OMOP focuses on the development of a common data model and standardized analytics to facilitate meaningful comparisons across different RWE data sources and research studies. Building on the need to better understand RWE and OMOP, the workshop gathers leading experts from various fields to discuss three major themes: (1) understanding the origin and barriers of real-world data for healthcare research and the role that OHDSI/OMOP has played in improving the use of RWE for healthcare research; (2) showcasing the potential of RWE analysis across multiple data types with OMOP CDM; and (3) discussing the challenges and opportunities to adopt RWE for secondary use in research and development. Participants will engage with in-depth topics such as data transformation, cohort definitions, diagnostic methods, visualization techniques, and practical applications of cohort diagnostics in real-world scenarios. This event aligns closely with the broader informatics interests of the attendees. It aims to enhance their understanding of the synergies and opportunities at the intersection of OHDSI, OMOP CDM, and healthcare.

Speaker(s):

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Workshop - Collaborative

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OHDSI HADES releases: SelfControlledCaseSeries 5.0.0

SelfControlledCaseSeries

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SelfControlledCaseSeries is part of [HADES](#).

Introduction

SelfControlledCaseSeries is an R package for performing Self-Controlled Case Series (SCCS) analyses in an observational database in the OMOP Common Data Model.

Features

- Extracts the necessary data from a database in OMOP Common Data Model format.
- Optionally add seasonality using a spline function.
- Optionally add age using a spline function.
- Optionally add calendar time using a spline function.
- Optionally correct for event-dependent censoring of the observation period.
- Optionally add many covariates in one analysis (e.g. all drugs).
- Options for constructing different types of covariates and risk windows, including pre-exposure windows (to capture contra-indications).
- Optionally use regularization on all covariates except the outcome of interest.

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OHDSI HADES releases: DeepPatientLevelPrediction 2.0.1

DeepPatientLevelPrediction

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Introduction

DeepPatientLevelPrediction is an R package for building and validating deep learning patient-level predictive models using data in the OMOP Common Data Model format and OHDSI PatientLevelPrediction framework.

Reps JM, Schuemie MJ, Suchard MA, Ryan PB, Rijnbeek PR. [Design and implementation of a standardized framework to generate and evaluate patient-level prediction models using observational healthcare data](#). J Am Med Inform Assoc. 2018;25(8):969-975.

Features

- Adds deep learning models to use in the OHDSI PatientLevelPrediction framework.
- Allows to add custom deep learning models.
- Includes an MLP, ResNet and a Transformer
- Allows to use all the features of [PatientLevelPrediction](#) to validate and explore your model performance.

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OHDSI HADES releases: DataQualityDashboard 2.5.0

DataQualityDashboard

DataQualityDashboard is part of [HADES](#).

The goal of the Data Quality Dashboard (DQD) project is to design and develop an open-source tool to expose and evaluate observational data quality.

Introduction

This package will run a series of data quality checks against an OMOP CDM instance (currently supports v5.4, v5.3 and v5.2). It systematically runs the checks, evaluates the checks against some pre-specified threshold, and then communicates what was done in a transparent and easily understandable way.

Overview

The quality checks were organized according to the Kahn Framework¹ which uses a system of categories and contexts that represent strategies for assessing data quality. For an introduction to the kahn framework please click [here](#).

Using this framework, the Data Quality Dashboard takes a systematic-based approach to running data quality checks. Instead of writing thousands of individual checks, we use “data quality check types”. These “check types” are more general, parameterized data quality checks into which OMOP tables, fields, and concepts can be substituted to represent a singular data quality idea. For example, one check type might be written as

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CohortExplorer

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CohortExplorer is part of [HADES](#).

Introduction

This software tool is designed to extract data from a randomized subset of individuals within a cohort and make it available for exploration in a 'Shiny' application environment. It retrieves date-stamped, event-level records from one or more data sources that represent patient data in the Observational Medical Outcomes Partnership (OMOP) data model format. This tool features a user-friendly interface that enables users to efficiently explore the extracted profiles, thereby facilitating applications, such as reviewing structured profiles. The output of this R-package is a self-contained R shiny that contains person-level data for review.

Warning

- Contains person level data. This package is not to be considered de-identified.
- Please do not share the output with others as it may violate protected health information.
- .RDS file in output contains PHI.

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#OHDSISocialShowcase This Week

MONDAY

Conversion of a Myositis Precision Medicine Center into a Common Data Model: A Case Study

(Zachary Wang, Will Kelly, Paul Nagy, Christopher A Mecoli)

Conversion of a Myositis Precision Medicine Center into a Common Data Model: A Case Study

INTRO:

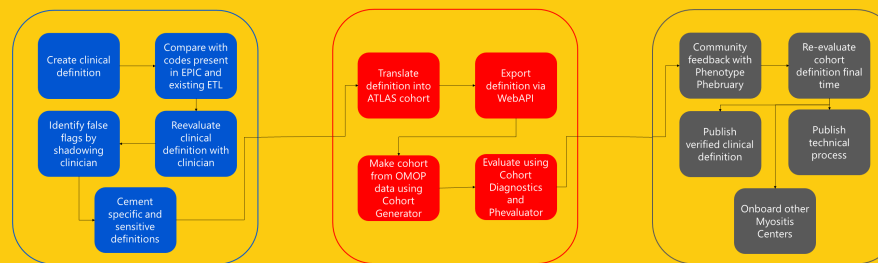
- Myositis is a rare disease and most centers lack the numbers to answer questions on their own.
- Enter: OMOP!**
- The problem is that most guidance for "OMOP-fying" a dataset are not geared towards small physician-led tertiary care centers working inside of a larger institution or in highly constrained IT environments.
- Our goals were to 1) Add our center's registry data to the JHU ETL. 2) Develop phenotypes to isolate our cohorts of interest. 3) Blaze a path for other Myositis centers to act as research and data partners.

METHODS AND RESULTS

After encountering numerous obstacles we developed a pipeline for ETL'ing our data with these generalizable steps:

- Assemble the Team; identify and bring in subject matter specialists.
- Figure out how many of our concepts can be represented in the CDM vocab using USAGI.
- Spend a LOT of time mapping and validating concepts with USAGI and Athena.
- Rally-the-Troops in Myositis centers around the world to agree on custom concepts not available in the standard vocabulary (still ongoing).
- Get CohortDiagnostics to actually run in our highly constrained computing environment.
- Work with our institution to make the process easier for the next team.

"OMOP-ifying" data from inside an academic institution is hard... Here's how we did it!



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Additional information:

- Some of the issues we had to work around:
 - WebAuth not compatible with Vegas authentication used in our Atlas instance.
 - Copy/Pasted to/from the OHDSI atlas demo instance.
 - DatabaseConnector not compatible with our ActiveDirectory setup.
 - Used a portable R installation inside our Windows Environment to generate the SQLite files to feed into CohortExplorer.
 - The environment we were required to use had an older version of R and no easy way to update it.
 - Worked with IT to have R upgraded.
 - Windows auth not supported in Linux.
 - Developed custom code to override the DatabaseConnector package.
 - Lots of Java workarounds.
 - Workarounds with IT to find compatible Java setup.
 - "Black magic" code from the OHDSI forums.
 - Lack of technical specialties in the center.
 - Recruiting grad students to assist with specialized tasks.
 - Connected with institutional OMOP team.
 - Training lead physician investigator to work with OHDSI tools.
 - Attended formal OMOP course.
 - No funding for project.
 - Looking for grants continue work.

Vocabulary mapping:

- Time spent: 45hrs by staff and 5hrs by faculty.
- 325 concepts mapped.
- 125 custom concepts.

Scannable Links:



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WEDNESDAY

Demonstrating Utility of the Edge Tool Suite through Clinical Trial Emulation

(**Ruth Kurtycz**, Wesley Anderson, Allan J. Walkey, Kerry A. Howard, Smith F. Heavner)

Title: Demonstrating Utility of the Edge Tool Suite through Clinical Trial Emulation

PRESENTER: **Ruth Kurtycz**

INTRO:

- Real-world data (RWD) can support repurposing approved medications for new uses. OMOP standardizes RWD, aiding research and sharing, but implementing OMOP can be resource-intensive. The Edge Tool suite streamlines data conversion. Here we assesses the utility of data converted with the Edge Tool suite's potential for research using an emulation of the RECOVERY COVID-19 clinical trial.

METHODS

- The Edge Tool Suite enables EHR ETL into the OMOP CDM. Propensity score matching at a 2:1 ratio was used to match patients with and without dexamethasone administration on 11 key variables (e.g., patient age)
- A pilot healthcare site provided over 10,000 acute COVID-19 patient records from March 2020 to March 2022, with exclusion criteria applied to align with the RECOVERY trial.
- Logistic regression and survival analyses were performed on the matched data to assess the impact of Dexamethasone on 28-day mortality.

RESULTS

Results	Overall	Oxygen Support
RECOVERY mortality in treatment group	Lower 28-day mortality	Invasive Mechanical Ventilation: Lower Oxygen Alone: Lower
Edge Tool Replication mortality in treatment group	Higher 28-day mortality	No Oxygen: Not significantly different Invasive Mechanical Ventilation vs No Ventilation: Lower Oxygen: Lower

- The analysis found that dexamethasone reduced 28-day mortality in COVID-19 patients receiving oxygen alone or mechanical ventilation, aligning with the RECOVERY trial. However, without oxygen support stratification, this result was not confirmed.

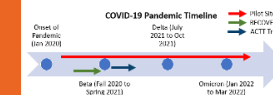
We demonstrate the utility of RWD from the Edge Tool Suite to replicate findings of a clinical trial for COVID-19. Results indicate approach has potential to be used to assess the efficacy of treatments for emerging diseases



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- Resource-intensive OMOP implementation can exclude smaller healthcare sites, especially in disadvantaged areas. The Edge Tool suite reduces implementation time and costs, making data conversion to OMOP more accessible.
- Below visualization to show overlap of RECOVERY trial and pilot site data



- Exclusion criteria applied to the pilot site records included patients under 18, and pregnant or breastfeeding women. Data quality assessment was also conducted, evaluating missingness, plausibility, and outliers in laboratory values.
- Eleven categorical variables were used in the matching process, followed by evaluation using Chi-Square tests to ensure appropriate balance between treatment and control groups.
- Analyses were performed using binomial logistic regression and survival analysis with a Cox proportional hazards model, repeated after stratifying cases and controls based on the level of oxygen support.
- Challenges in the data extraction process, particularly regarding medication dosage and timing information, may have affected the analysis results.
- Despite limitations, this analysis supports emphasizing the ongoing effort to standardize data using OMOP
- Ongoing updates to the analysis are expected with contributions from more healthcare sites.

Ruth Kurtycz, Wesley Anderson, Allan J. Walkey, Kerry A. Howard, Smith F. Heavner





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THURSDAY

OHDSI Network Study Execution Framework and Templating

(Ben Martin, Cindy Cai, Asieh Golozar, Paul Nagy)

OHDSI Network Study Execution Framework and Templating

PRESENTER: Ben Martin

INTRO:

- To enhance robustness and reliability of OHDSI network studies, it is essential to define/outline key steps and status indicators of study development and execution.

OBJECTIVES

- Define the key process steps common amongst network studies, to improve repeatability and reproducibility and help set expectations for researchers looking to engage in network studies.
- Develop standardized human and computer readable indicators of network study status, progress, and needs.

METHODS

- Consensus from individuals with experience in leading OHDSI network studies demarcated nine fundamental stages that all network studies must progress through towards completion.
- A standard set of human readable and computable data artifacts attributed to each network study are derived from the distillation of these stages and from existing documentation of completed network studies.

The nine stages of a network study are illustrated as successive “camps” along each network study “expedition” in Figure 1, below.

Figure 1. Nine Stages of an OHDSI Network Study Expedition

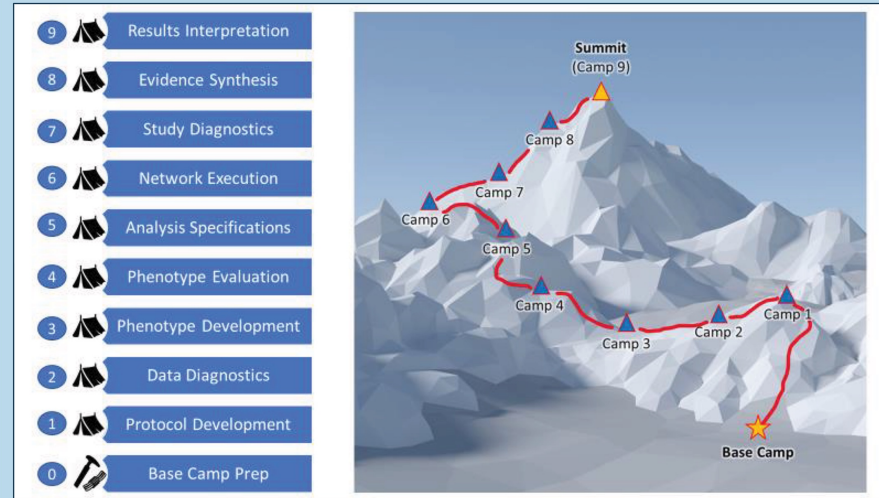


Table 1. Data Artifacts for Network Study Monitoring

Study Attribute	Values
IRB materials are sufficient for review	[No, Yes]
Cohort definition available	[No, Yes]
Data partner recruitment status	[Not Ready, Open, Closed]
Deadline for adding new data partners	MM/DD/YYYY
Statistician partner recruitment status	[Not Ready, Open, Closed]
Deadline for adding new statistician partners	MM/DD/YYYY
Clinical domain partner recruitment status	[Not Ready, Open, Closed]
Deadline for adding new clinical domain partners	MM/DD/YYYY



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RESULTS

- Figure 1: nine stages of a network study were identified as, in order: protocol development, data diagnostics, phenotype development, phenotype evaluation, analysis specifications, network execution, study diagnostics, evidence synthesis, results evaluation.
- Table 1: a proposed set of data artifacts for study progress monitoring and facilitation.

CONCLUSION

OHDSI network studies share a great degree of common methodology and challenges. Laying out the key steps with a common framework, providing clarity and direction through each of these common stages, and identifying key information for monitoring progress amongst the community will facilitate progression and use shared experience to overcome repetitive challenges. The framework of network study stages and set of study progress artifacts proposed here needs to be refined and internalized by the OHDSI community at large.

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FRIDAY

Using Contrastive Principal Component Analysis to Identify Post-acute Sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 Infection Subphenotypes: an EHR-Based Cohort from the RECOVER Program (Xiaokang Liu, Yishan Shen, Naimin Jing, Christopher B. Forrest, Yong Chen)



Using Contrastive Principal Component Analysis to Identify Post-acute Sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 Infection Subphenotype

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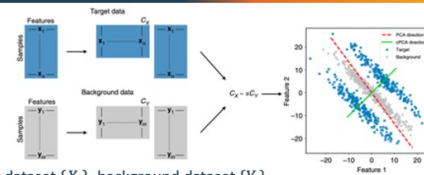
Background

- The post-acute sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 infection (PASC), known as "long COVID", refers to a range of persistent or new symptoms that emerge after the acute phase of COVID-19 infection. These symptoms can endure for weeks or months following the initial infection and can affect various body systems. PASC symptoms can vary widely between individuals, which brings challenges to the diagnosis and treatment of PASC patients.
- To gain more understanding of dominant symptom co-occurrence patterns of PASC and develop effective treatments, identifying subtypes (also known as subphenotypes) of PASC is of great interest to both health care providers and patients.



- Since the highly heterogeneous spectrum of PASC clinical features can overlap with features of other diseases, the subphenotypes identified by traditional clustering methods may not be specific to PASC.
- With electronic health records (EHR) for both COVID-19 test-positive and test-negative patients extracted from the PEDSnet COVID-19 Database, we applied a contrastive principal component analysis method (cPCA) to help derive PASC subphenotypes for children. This study aims to provide more insights into PASC and facilitate tailored interventions for affected children.

Method: Contrastive Principal Component Analysis¹



- Input:** target dataset $\{X_i\}$, background dataset $\{Y_i\}$.
- Target:** identify prominent trends that are specific to a target dataset, which is of the main interest to the researchers, relative to a comparison background dataset.
- Method:** calculate variance-covariance matrices Σ_x and Σ_y . Then, the contrastive projection directions are the vectors v that maximize $v^T(\Sigma_x - \lambda\Sigma_y)v / v^T v$ where λ determines the desired contrast level.
- Output:** subspaces that capture a significant amount of variation within the target data, while exhibiting minimal variation in the background. The features within this subspace encapsulate structures specific to the target data.
- Clustering:** project the target data onto this subspace and use k-means to discover the clustering patterns unique to the target data relative to the background.

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Application

- PASC subphenotyping analysis:**
 - Target dataset: EHR of COVID-19 test-positive patients;
 - Background dataset: EHR of COVID-19 test-negative patients, contains information regarding general disease patterns not specific to PASC.

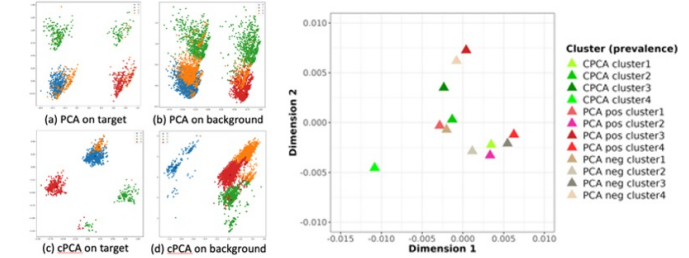
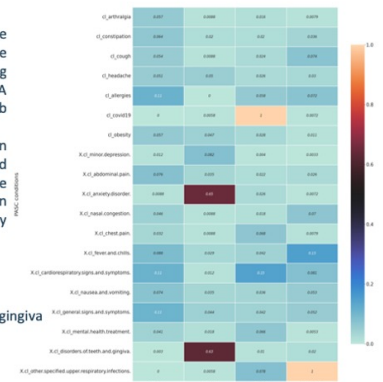


Figure 1. The identified clusters. Panel (a) apply PCA on target data alone; Panel (b) apply PCA on the background data alone; Panel (c) apply cPCA on both datasets; Panel (d) project the background data to directions obtained by applying cPCA on both datasets.

Figure 2. Distance. cPCA clusters: clusters in the target data found by k-means using principal components learned by cPCA. PCA pos clusters: clusters in the target data found by k-means using principal components learned by applying PCA to the target data alone. PCA neg clusters: clusters in the background data found by k-means using principal components learned by applying PCA to the background data alone.

- cPCA versus PCA:**
 - The principal variational directions in the target data and the background data are similar, resulting in similar clustering results between both datasets when PCA is applied, as depicted in panels (a) and (b) of Figure 1.
 - cPCA can find PASC-specific projection directions which lead to well-separated clusters in the target data, and these directions cannot well separate clusters in the background data, as evidenced by panel (c) and (d) in Figure 1.
- Subphenotypes found by cPCA:**
 - Class 1: mild disease presentation
 - Class 2: anxiety disorder and teeth and gingiva disorders
 - Class 3: COVID-19-related symptoms
 - Class 4: upper respiratory infection



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