



Recent OHDSI/OMOP Publications

OHDSI Community Call
Dec. 3, 2024 • 11 am ET



Upcoming Community Calls

Date	Topic
Dec. 3	Recent OHDSI Publications
Dec. 10	How Did We Do In 2024?
Dec. 17	Holiday-Themed Final Call of 2024
Dec. 24	No Call
Dec. 31	No Call
Jan. 7	What Can OHDSI Go In 2025?



Three Stages of The Journey

Where Have We Been?

Where Are We Now?

Where Are We Going?





OHDSI Shoutouts!



Congratulations to the team of **Seok Woo Hong and Jeong-Hyun Kang** on the publication of Antinuclear Positivity and Malignant Transformation Potential of Oral Potentially Malignant Disorder in *Oral Diseases*.



ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Antinuclear Positivity and Malignant Transformation Potential of Oral Potentially Malignant Disorder

Seok Woo Hong, Jeong-Hyun Kang

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ABSTRACT

Objective

This multicenter cohort study aimed to investigate the impact of antinuclear antibody (ANA) positivity on the malignant transformation potential of oral potentially malignant disorders (OPMDs) using the Observational Health Sciences and Informatics network tools for the Observational Medical Outcomes Partnership (OMOP) Common Data Model (CDM).

Materials and Methods

Retrospective cohort data from five medical centers were analyzed. Cox regression and 1:4 propensity score matching followed by aggregated meta-analysis were used to evaluate association between ANA positivity and the risk of oral squamous cell carcinoma (OSCC). The index date was defined as the first day of diagnosis of OPMD. The target and comparator cohorts comprised patients who tested positive and negative for ANA within 180 days before or after the index date, respectively.



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Upcoming Workgroup Calls



Date	Time (ET)	Meeting
Wednesday	8 am	Psychiatry
Thursday	11 am	Industry
Thursday	1 pm	OMOP CDM Oncology Vocabulary/Development Subgroup
Thursday	7 pm	Dentistry
Friday	10 am	GIS-Geographic Information System
Friday	11:30 am	Clinical Trials
Friday	11:30 am	Steering Group
Tuesday	9 am	OMOP CDM Oncology Genomic Subgroup



2024 APAC Symposium

Dec. 4-8 • Marina Bay Sands & National University of Singapore (NUS)

Dec. 4: Tutorial at NUS

Dec. 5-6: Main Conference at Marina Bay Sands

Dec. 7-8: Datathon at NUS



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2024 APAC Symposium

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Day 1 (December 4) – Tutorial at NUS

8:30 – 9:00 • Registration/Tea
9:00 – 9:20 • OHDSI/OMOP Introduction (Mui Van Zandt)
9:20 – 10:00 • OMOP CDM and Vocabulary (Mukesh Kumar, Cindy Ho)
10:00 – 10:30 • OMOP Conversion Process (Erica Voss)
10:30 – 10:40 • Break
10:40 – 12:00 • ETL Exercises (Gyeol Song)
12:00 – 13:30 • Lunch
13:30 – 14:10 • OHDSI Analyses: From Questions to TCO (Martijn Schuemie)
14:10 – 14:50 • OHDSI Analyses: Building Cohorts (Patrick Ryan)
14:50 – 15:10 • Tea Break
15:10 – 15:50 • OHDSI Analyses: Building Cohorts Hands-On (Patrick Ryan)

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Dec. 5

13:30 – 13:40 • Day 1 Opening (Mengling 'Mornin' Feng)
13:40 – 14:10 • OHDSI for Real-World Evidence (RWE) (Patrick Ryan)
14:10 – 14:25 • Charting our APAC Journey: Lessons from the Past, Visions for the Future (Mui Van Zandt)
14:25 – 15:15 • OHDSI APAC Regional Chapter Updates (Rae Woong Park, Hua Xu, Nicole Pratt, Tatsuo Hiramatsu, Jason Hsu, Mengling 'Mornin' Feng, Parthiban Sulur)
15:15 – 15:45 • Tea Break
15:45 – 16:15 • 2024 APAC ETL Project (Mui Van Zandt, Gyeol Song, Steven Yong, Satish Kumar Anbazhagan, Kosuke Tanaka, Santan Maddi)
16:15 – 16:45 • 2024 APAC ETL Project: Panel Discussion (Gyeol Song, Steven Yong, Satish Kumar Anbazhagan, Kosuke Tanaka, Santan Maddi)
16:45 – 17:05 • OHDSI Evidence Network (Erica Voss)
17:05 – 17:25 • Large Language Model and OHDSI: Part 1 (Hua Xu)
17:25 – 17:35 • Large Language Model and OHDSI: Part 2 (Hyeonsik Kim)
17:35 – 17:55 • HL7 Singapore and OHDSI Singapore Collaboration (Adam Chee, Mengling 'Mornin' Feng)
17:55 – 18:00 • Day 1 Closing

Dec. 6

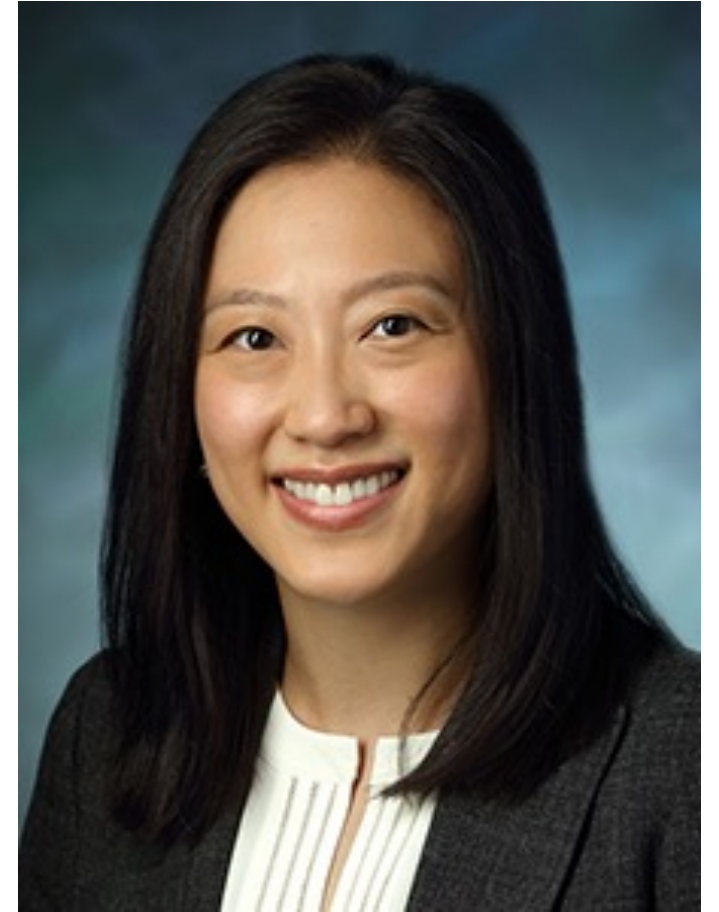
9:00 – 9:10 • Overview of the International and Singapore Standards Ecosystem (Aik Lam Khor)
9:10 – 9:20 • TRUST: Enabling Safe Data Exchange and Our OMOP Journey (Mingshi Koh)
9:20 – 9:30 • OMOP Common Data Model: Journey Towards Singapore's National Data Standardization for Real-World Evidence Generation (Mukesh Kumar)
9:30 – 10:00 • Panel Discussion (Aik Lam Khor, Mingshi Koh, Mukesh Kumar)
10:00 – 10:20 • Tea Break
10:20 – 10:30 • Use of OHDSI to Evaluate Safety Signals (Mengling 'Mornin' Feng)
10:30 – 10:50 • LEGEND-T2DM Study Introduction (Marc Suchard)
10:50 – 11:00 • 2024 APAC Study Introduction (Sreemanee Dorajoo)
11:00 – 12:00 • 2024 APAC Study: Journey from Data to Evidence (Evelyn Goh, Nicole Pratt)
12:00 – 13:30 • Lunch and Posters/Exhibitors
13:30 – 14:30 • 2024 APAC Study: Panel Discussion (Sreemanee Dorajoo, Yuhe Ke, Keiko Asao, Seng Chan You)
14:30 – 15:30 • Lightning Talks
15:30 – 15:40 • Day 2 Closing (Mengling 'Mornin' Feng)



Collaborator Spotlight: Cindy Cai

Dr. Cindy Cai is the Jonathan and Marcia Javitt Rising Professor of Ophthalmology at Johns Hopkins University and a retina specialist seeing patients at the Wilmer Eye Institute's locations in the Baltimore, Maryland area. Her primary focuses are in medical and surgical retina treatments, including: diabetic retinopathy, diabetic macular edema, and age-related macular degeneration.

A co-lead of the Eyecare and Vision Research Workgroup, Cindy is currently leading another OHDSI network study focused on Semaglutide and Nonarteritic Anterior Ischemic Optic Neuropathy. The 2024 Titan Award for Clinical Applications honoree, she discusses her career journey, her experience running her first community network study, opportunities in vision research using real-world data, and plenty more in the latest collaborator spotlight.



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The Journey Newsletter (December 2024)

Real-world evidence is at the center of OHDSI research, and it was a key topic in the community throughout November. One community call was focused on generating it through the OHDSI Evidence Network, while another looked at potential ways to improve the dissemination process. Evidence will be shared in Singapore this month during the 2024 APAC Symposium. We reflect on that

November Publications

Tekumalla R, Banda JM. [Towards automated phenotype definition extraction using large language models](#). Genomics Inform. 2024 Oct 31;22(1):21. doi: 10.1186/s44342-024-00023-2. PMID: 39482749; PMCID: PMC11529293.

Ferrandiz-Espadin R, Rabasa G, Gasman S, McGinley B, Stovall R, Jafarzadeh SR, Liew JW, Dubreuil M. [Disparities in time to diagnosis of Radiographic Axial Spondyloarthritis](#). J Rheumatol. 2024 Nov 4:jrheum.2024-0574. doi: 10.3899/jrheum.2024-0574. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 39486857.

Tong J, Li L, Reps JM, Lorman V, Jing N, Edmondson M, Lou X, Jhaveri R, Kelleher KJ, Pajor NM, Forrest CB, Bian J, Chu H, Chen Y. [Advancing Interpretable Regression Analysis for Binary Data: A Novel Distributed Algorithm Approach](#). Stat Med. 2024 Nov 3. doi: 10.1002/sim.10250. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 39489875.

Pyun JM, Lee I, Lee K, Kim MH, Park C, Yang HJ. [Effect of Choline Alfoscerate on the Progression From Mild Cognitive Impairment to Dementia: Distributed Network Analysis of a Multicenter Korean Database Using a Common Data Model](#). Dement Neurocogn Disord. 2024 Oct;23(4):202-211. doi: 10.12779/dnd.2024.23.4.202. Epub 2024 Oct 7. PMID: 39512703; PMCID: PMC11538851.

December Newsletter

Podcast: Evidence Dissemination, Semaglutide Network Study, APAC Symposium

Community Updates

Where Have We Been?

• Five posters/demos were honored as Best Community Contribution Award winners following the 2024 Global Symposium. You can see the posters here, and presentations about each are available at the bottom of this newsletter.

Observational Data Standards and Management: [Gap Analysis of Static Automated Perimetry Concept Representation in OMOP CDM](#) (Shahin Hallaj)

Methodological Research: [Towards automated phenotype definition extraction using large language models](#) (Ramya Tekumalla)

Open-Source Analytics Development: [Bridging the Language Gap: Generative Models for Efficient Medical Concept Discovery](#) (Alvaro Alvarez)

Clinical Applications: [Health Trends Across Communities in Minnesota: a Statewide Dashboard Leveraging the OMOP CDM to Monitor the Prevalence of Health Conditions](#) (Samuel Patnoe)

Community: [Improving Team Science Through "Thons" Reflections on the April Olympians Community Event](#) (Clair Blacketer)

• Jennifer Clark Nelson, Director of Biostatistics & Senior Investigator at Kaiser Permanente Washington Health Research Institute, presented a talk on [Statistical methods for improving post-licensure vaccine safety surveillance](#) during a Nov. 20 edition of the CBER BEST Seminar Series.

• The latest edition of "Our Journey: Where the OHDSI Community Has Been, and Where We Are Going" was distributed at the Global Symposium, and the

2024 Asia-Pacific Symposium Focuses On "When OHDSI Meets With AI"



The 2024 OHDSI Asia-Pacific (APAC) Symposium will be held December 4-8 in Singapore. Regional co-chairs Mengling 'Mornin' Feng and Ngial Kee Yuan will lead this event, which has a theme of "When OHDSI Meets with AI."

The five-day event begins with a tutorial on Dec. 4 at the National University of Singapore (NUS), and it will include sessions on OMOP, the ETL process, and OHDSI analytics tools. The main conference will be held Dec. 5-6 at the Marina Bay Sands; the full agenda for both days is available on the event homepage below. There will be a two-day datathon on Dec. 7-8 at NUS.

All details about the event, including a link to register, is available on the APAC 2024 homepage.

[APAC 2024 Information & Registration](#)



November Presentations

Nov. 5: Meet the Titans

[Full Presentation](#) (Janetzki, Cai, Zhuk, Zhang, Adulyannukosol, Blacketer, Camprubi, Katzman, Lavallee)

Nov. 12: Next Steps in Evidence Dissemination

[Full Presentation](#) (Ryan, Schuemie, Pratt)

Nov. 19 Evidence Network in Action: The Semaglutide Study

[Full Presentation](#) (Cai, Zhang, Nagy, Sena, Westlund, Martin)

Nov. 26: OHDSI 2024 Best Community Contribution Honorees

[Gap Analysis of Static Automated Perimetry Concept Representation in OMOP CDM](#) (Hallaj)

[Towards automated phenotype definition extraction using large language models](#) (Tekumalla)

[Bridging the Language Gap: Generative Models for Efficient Medical Concept Discovery](#) (Alvarez)

[Health Trends Across Communities in Minnesota: a Statewide Dashboard Leveraging the OMOP CDM to Monitor the Prevalence of Health Conditions](#) (Patnoe)

[Improving Team Science Through "Thons" Reflections on the April Olympians Community Event](#) (Blacketer)





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Welcome to OHDSI!

The Observational Health Data Sciences and Informatics (or OHDSI, pronounced "Odyssey") program is a multi-stakeholder, interdisciplinary collaborative to bring out the value of health data through large-scale analytics. All our solutions are open-source.

OHDSI has established an international network

2024 Global Symp

Nearly 500 collaborators from around the world joined our 2024 Global Symposium to share research, form new connections and advance OHDSI's mission to improve health care by empowering a community to collaboratively generate real-world evidence that promotes better health decisions and better care. Check out our event homepage to learn more.



2024 Global Symposium



2024 OHDSI Global Symposium

Oct. 22-24 • New Brunswick, N.J. • Hyatt Regency Hotel

The 10th annual OHDSI Global Symposium brought together more than 470 global collaborators for three days of sharing research, building new connections and pushing forward our mission of improving health by empowering a community to collaboratively generate the evidence that promotes better health decisions and better care.

This page will host all materials from OHDSI2024, including video presentations (when available) from the main conference and tutorials, slide decks, posters, demos and more.

State of the Community

Where Have We Gone and Where Are We Going?
(George Hripacsak, Columbia University)

Expand OHDSI Initiative for Eye Care and Ocular Imaging Challenge
(Amberlynn Reed, National Eye Institute)

Titan Awards
(George Hripacsak, Columbia University & Marc Suchard, UCLA)



State of the Community Slides

Plenary: Value Proposition for Participating in OHDSI Network Studies like LEGEND-T2DM

Introduction to OHDSI Evidence Network / Marketplace
(Moderator: Clair Blacketer, Johnson & Johnson)

Reflections from US Department of Veterans Affairs
(Scott Duvall, VA)

Reflections from SIDIAP (Spain)
(Talita Duarte-Salles, IDIAP)

Reflections from a Global Commercial Data Provider
(Atif Adam, IQVIA)



Plenary: Value Proposition for Participating in OHDSI Network Studies like LEGEND-T2DM Slides

Plenary Q&A: Lessons Learned on LEGEND-T2DM Journey

Moderator: Fan Bu, University of Michigan

Panelists: LEGEND-T2DM co-authors



Plenary Q&A: Lessons Learned on LEGEND-T2DM Journey Slides

Plenary Panel: JACC-OHDSI Partnership

Moderators:
Nicole Pratt, University of South Australia
Marc Suchard, UCLA

Panelists:
Harlan Krumholz, Yale University
Seng Chan You, Yonsei University
Yuan Lu, Yale University



Plenary Panel: JACC-OHDSI Partnership Slides

2024 Global Collaborator Showcase

Observational Data Standards & Management

- 1 – [Application of OMOP Common Data Model to Disease Registry Data](#) (Vojtech Huser, Maria Rogozhnikina, Vlad Korsik, Teresa A. Simon, Peter Moorthamer, Dan Kiselev, Teresa A. Simon, Anastasia Vakhmistrova, Eugene Paulenkovich, Alexander Davydov, Michel Van Speybroeck)
- 2 – [Best Practices for Developing Disease-Specific Federated Networks: Insights from a Systemic Lupus Erythematosus Study](#) (Clair Blacketer, Frank DeFalco, Gowtham A Rao, Anna Sheahan, Michel Van Speybroeck, Martine Lewi, Federico Zazzetti)
- 3 – [Standardizing Rare Disease Patient Registry data to the OMOP-CDM](#) (Parag Shiralkar, Radhika Lakireddy, Sushma Ghanta, Sanket Kalyankar, Monika Brand)
- 4 – [Phederization – the federated network of Pulmonary Hypertension registries](#) (Eva-Maria Didden, Valerie van Baalen, Michel van Speybroeck, Monika Brand)
- 5 – [Lessons from mapping cancer information from European hospitals to ICD-O-3 conditions in OMOP](#) (Lars Halvorsen, Olivier Bouissou, Elisabeth Ross, Stelios Theophanous, Joëlle Thonnard, Piers Mahon)
- 6 – [SMEs optimization with high precision data ingestion of CAPRICORN onto OMOP at AllianceChicago](#) (Andrew Hamilton, Amro Hassan, Davera Gabriel, Guy Tsafnat)
- 7 – [Process of Conversion of Ukrainian Medical Data to OMOP CDM Format](#) (Bohdan Khilchevskiy, Denys Kaduk, Maksym Trofymenko, Polina Talapova, Tetiana Nesmilan, Max Ved, Inna Ageeva, Pavlova Olga, Holovko Tetiana, Shevchenko Natalia)
- 8 – [An evaluation of the transformation of large German EHR database to OMOP CDM](#) (Andreas Ochs, Milou Brand, Jack Brewster, Methosdios Typou, Meda Sandu, Joe Maskell, Meghan Pettine, Atif Adam, George Kafatos)
- 9 – [Adopting the OMOP Oncology CDM at the Helsinki University Hospital](#) (Valtteri Nieminen, Alexey Ryzhenkov, Johanna Sanoja, Salma Rachidi, Juho Laitinenmaa, Joonas Laitinen, Samu Eränen, Tomi Mäkelä, Eric Fey, Kimmo Porkka)
- 10 – [Going global, redeeming the local: an innovative approach to implement the OMOP CDM in two countries of the Global South](#) (Valentina Martufi, Emma Kalk, Enny S. Cruz, Juliana Araújo Prata de Faria, Adalton do Anjos Fonseca, Mauricio L. Barreto, Maria Yury Travassos Ichihara, Jessica Gammon, Nicki Tiffin, Chris Fourie, Danilo Luis Cerqueira Dias, Denise Moraes Pimenta, Tsaone Tamuhla, Andrew Boule, Themba Mutemaringa, Juan-Paul Hynek, Muzzammil Ismail, Julio Barbour Oliveira, Ricardo Felix Monteiro Neto, Júlia Pescarini, Fernanda Revoredo de Sousa, Marianne Costa e Silva Lage, Adam Loff, Melvin Moodley, Elzo Pereira Pinto Junior)
- 11 – [Transforming Clinical Trial Data to the OMOP CDM](#) (Cynthia Sung, Mike Hamdi, Zhen Lin, Tom Walpole, Rebecca Baker, Melissa Cook, Shital Desai, Priya Gopal, Dan Hartley, Vojtech Huser, Priya Meghrajani, Tra Nguyen, Paul Orna12, Katy Sadowski, Sebastiaan van Sandijk, Philip Solovoyev, Ramona Walls, Kenneth J. Wilkins, Qi Yang)
- 12 – [Streamlining Research Data Standardization: AI-READI Survey Instrument Data Elements and MoCA Measurement Data Elements are curated and mapped utilizing a Standardized Value Set Mapping Table for transformation into the OMOP Common Data Model](#) (Stephanie S. Hong, James Cavallon, Yvette Chen, Monique Bangudi, Jessica Mitchell, Dawn Matthies, Steven Chamberlin, Aaron Cohen, Julie Owens, Abigail Lucero, Sally Baxter, Christopher G Chute, Cecilia S. Lee, Aaron Lee, AI-READI consortium)
- 13 – [Institutionalizing data interoperability and the application of common data models in a health data and research center: CIDACS' experience in Brazil](#) (Valentina Martufi, Juliana Araújo Prata de Faria, Danilo Luis Cerqueira Dias, Elzo Pereira Pinto Junior, Roberto Carreiro, Pablo Ivan Ramos, Mauricio L. Barreto)
- 14 – [OMOP GIS Vocabulary Package for Observational Studies in Health Care and Public Health](#) (Maksym Trofymenko, Polina Talapova, Andrew Williams)
- 15 – [Enhancing Infectious Disease Data Integration and management through OMOP-CDM in South Korea](#) (Min Ho An, Seok Kim, ByungJin Choi, Sooyoung Yoo, Rae Woong Park, Ji Seon Oh)
- 16 – [FHIR to OMOP Cookbook – Mapping mCODE FHIR Resources for Observational Research](#) (Qi Yang, Guy Livne, Sebastian van Sandijk, May Terry)
- 17 – [Towards Reproducible Imaging Research: Implementation of DICOM to OMOP CDM](#) (Woo Yeon Park, Ben Martin, Gabriel Salvador, Blake Dewey, Teri Sippel Schmidt, Paul Nagy)
- 18 – [Leveraging UDI for Advanced Medical Device Tracking in OMOP-CDM](#) (Seojeong Shin, Yiju Park, Sejoeng Eom, Kyulee Jeon, Seng Chan You)
- 19 – [Inclusion of Intraocular pressure data into the University of California Health Data Warehouse](#) (William Halliwell, Shahin Hallaj, Ayan Patel, Catherine Q. Sun, Kerry Goetz, Michelle Hribar, Sally L. Baxter, on behalf of the OMOP Eye Care & Vision Research Workgroup)
- 20 – [A Collaborative Analytic Enclave for the Metabolic Dysregulation and Obesity Cancer Risk Program \(MedOC\) Consortium: Extensions of the OMOP Common Data Model for Translational Research](#) (Madhan Subramanian, Nisha Grover, Maddie Wheeler, Marinella Temprosa)
- 21 – [Expanding the OMOP Common Data Model to support Extracorporeal Life Support research](#) (Clemens Rieder, Oleg Zhuk, Ahmed Said, Peta M.A. Alexander, Dominik J. Hoechter)
- 22 – [ETing from your OMOP CDM to your OMOP CDM? An efficient solution to vocabulary migration](#) (Clair Blacketer, Anton Ivanov, Evanette Burrows, Dmitry Dymshyts, Frank DeFalco)
- 23 – [Evaluating the impact of different vocabulary versions on cohort definitions and CDM](#) (Dmitry Dymshyts, Frank DeFalco, Anna Ostropolets, Gowtham Rao, Azza Shoabi, Clair Blacketer)

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2024 Global Symposium

An Introduction to the Journey from Data to Evidence Using OHDSI

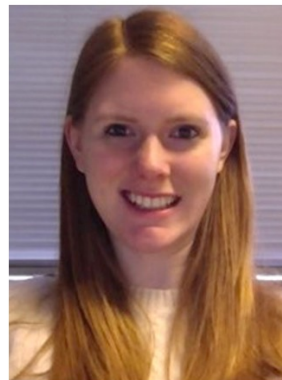
The journey from data to evidence can be challenging alone but is greatly enabled through community collaboration. In this half-day tutorial, we will introduce newcomers to OHDSI. Specifically, about the tools, practices, and open-science approach to evidence generation that the OHDSI community has developed 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, open-source analytic tools – including HADES and ATLAS, and the conduct of open network studies for methodological research & clinical applications. **Location: Regency Ballroom DE, Main Level**

Faculty



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Developing and Evaluating Your Extract, Transform, Load (ETL) Process to the OMOP Common Data Model

The OMOP Common Data Model has become one of the most widely used international health data standards. Standardizing data to the OMOP CDM requires development of an extract, transform, load (ETL) procedure that converts source data into the CDM structure while observing the appropriate conventions and adhering to the OHDSI standardized vocabularies. The OHDSI community maintains and provides resources for the OMOP CDM standard, Standardized Vocabularies, and THEMIS ETL conventions, and has developed a series of open-source analytic tools to support both ETL development and evaluation (including WhiteRabbit, CDMInspection, and DataQualityDashboard).

In this tutorial, students will learn about the tools and practices developed by the OHDSI community to support the journey to establish and maintain an ETL to standardize your data to OMOP CDM and enable standardized evidence generation across a data network. **Location: Regency Ballroom E, Main Level**

Faculty



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Katy Sadowski
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Using the OHDSI Standardized Vocabularies for Research

The OHDSI Standardized Vocabularies serves as a foundation to data standardization process within the OMOP CDM. It also can be tremendously useful tool for enabling the appropriate design of analyses that can be executed across a network of databases. A core component within essentially all analysis is the specification of phenotypes and associated code lists to represent exposures, outcomes, and other features.

In this tutorial, students will learn how to take advantage of the OHDSI standardized vocabularies as an analytic tool to support your research, including searching for relevant clinical concepts, navigating concept relationships, creating Conceptsets and understanding source codes that map within these expressions. Students will also learn where the OHDSI standardized vocabularies is used throughout OHDSI's standardized analytic tools. **Location: Regency Ballroom F, Main Level**

Faculty



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So, You Think You Want To Run an OHDSI Network Study?

Reliable real-world evidence generation requires appropriate analyses applied to data sources fit-for-purpose for the research question of interest. The OHDSI community has developed open-source standardized analytics tools that can be executed across a network of OMOP CDM databases and processes to facilitate collaborations between researchers throughout the evidence generation process from design through implementation and dissemination.

In this tutorial, students will learn about the steps along the journey to turn your research question into reliable evidence and how to lead an OHDSI network study. **Location: Regency Ballroom C, Main Level**

Faculty



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University



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Conducting 'Off-The-Shelf' Characterization Studies Using DARWIN EU® Tools and the OMOP CDM

The European Medicines Agency (EMA) and the European Medicines Regulatory Network established the Data Analysis and Real-World Interrogation Network (DARWIN EU®) coordination center to provide timely and reliable evidence on the use, safety and effectiveness of medicines for human use, including vaccines, from real world healthcare databases across the European Union (EU). The DARWIN EU team has established a data network standardized to the OMOP CDM and has developed a series of open-source analytics tools that run atop the OMOP CDM to conduct characterization studies for disease natural history, drug utilization, and treatment patterns.

In this tutorial, students will learn from leaders in the DARWIN EU team about how to execute characterization analyses against their OMOP CDM instance using DARWIN EU packages, including how to define inputs to the standardized analytics and how to interpret standardized results. Students will also learn how DARWIN EU tools relate to and connect with OHDSI's broader open-source analytics ecosystem. **Location: Regency Ballroom D, Main Level**

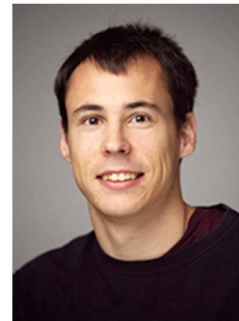
Faculty



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Martí Català Sabaté
University of Oxford



Maarten van Kessel
Erasmus M.C.

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CDM Survey Subgroup Landscape Assessment

The **CDM Survey Subgroup** invites colleagues who have or are going to design, develop, and/or implement research surveys and use them with the OMOP CDM to share information about those efforts by completing this survey. Your completion of this 10-15 minute survey will provide information to the CDM workgroup about OMOP utilization among survey research teams. The CDM Survey subgroup is a collaborative effort, led by a team at the National Cancer Institute, to develop standardized approaches and best practices for helping research teams better integrate survey data elements into the OMOP common data model.

The survey deadline is Dec. 31, 2024.

LANDSCAPE ASSESSMENT

- **Activities**

- Invite representatives from cohorts with experience using the CDM for survey data to share their knowledge and challenges.
- Conduct a community survey to gather information on experiences and needs related to survey data in the CDM.
- Review the most used Common Data Elements (CDMs) as a foundation for developing standards, tools, and best practices.

- **Key Result**

- A comprehensive report summarizing survey CDM mapping resources, challenges, and identified development priorities (vocabulary, standards, tools, best practices) to be shared with the OHDSI community.

WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE

- You have survey data and you've mapped it to the OMOP CDM
- You have survey data and you would like to map it to the OMOP CDM
- You are in the process of developing a survey(s) and plan to map to the OMOP CDM
- Multiple perspectives from the same team
- Multiple surveys from the same person



#OHDSISocialShowcase This Week

Monday

OMOP GIS Vocabulary Package for Observational Studies in Health Care and Public Health

(Maksym Trofymenko, Polina Talapova, Andrew Williams)

OMOP GIS Vocabulary Package for Observational Studies in Health Care and Public Health



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INTRO

Why should you care? Health outcomes are influenced by a complex interplay of geography, environment, and social determinants. However, traditional health records don't capture this. Our study matters because it bridges that gap: giving researchers the tools they need to explore how where you live, the air you breathe, and your social context affect your health.

METHODS

We built the OMOP GIS Vocabulary Package by:

- Collected Data:** Extracting geographic, environmental, and social data (SDOH) from reliable sources (T3DB, AHRQ, and others).
- Tested Integration:** We linked this data with health records in OMOP-compliant databases, using standardized vocabularies for spatial and environmental data, and extended existing OMOP vocabularies to capture new elements like social vulnerability and toxin exposure.

RESULTS

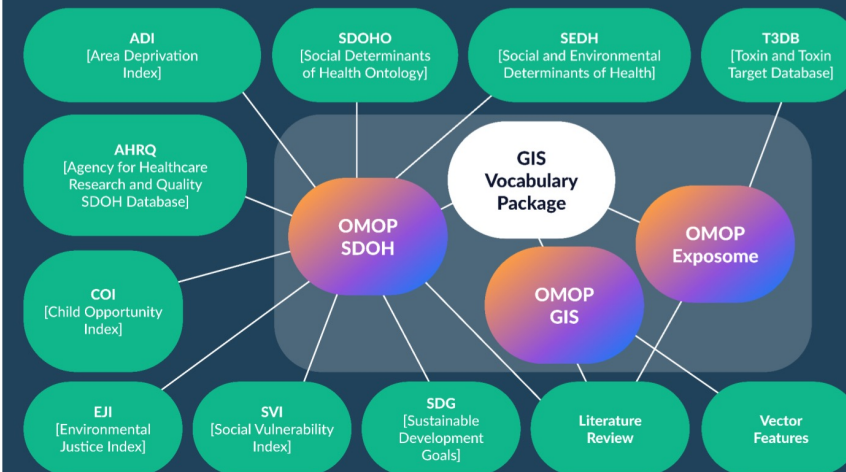
We successfully developed and validated a vocabulary package that integrates **9,918 terms** (Table 1) with **9,605 associations to OMOP**, and **89,311 internal relationships**.

Table 1. Term Distribution Across Vocabularies within the GIS Vocabulary Package

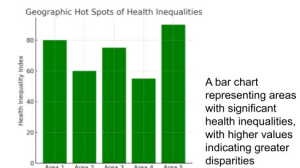
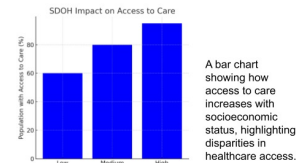
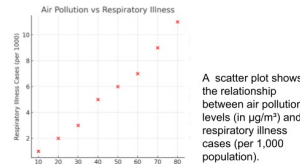
vocabulary_id	number of terms
OMOP SDOH	2,892
OMOP Exposome	6,867
OMOP GIS	159
Total	9,918

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Harness the power of **integrated** health, **spatial**, **environmental**, and **social data**. Revolutionize your research. Deliver **impactful public health outcomes**



The Vocabulary Package enables a wide range of analyses, some options are demonstrated in the examples below.



CONCLUSION

The OMOP GIS Vocabulary Package advances health research by enabling the integration of spatial, environmental, and social data with clinical records. Its standardized terminologies enhance the exploration of the combined influences on health outcomes. Future developments will focus on refining the package and testing it with diverse use cases to ensure adaptability.

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Tuesday

Medical Device Standard Terminology Overview, Comparison and Analysis

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INTRO:

- A bottleneck to generating Real World Evidence (RWE) for medical device regulatory decision making is the lack of associated meta-data with the devices in existing terminologies that limit the ability to evaluate common materials, manufacturing techniques or changes in component versioning across time, and other associated elements. It is challenging to crosswalk between terminologies, as the coverage of the interoperability between them is variable and heterogeneous.

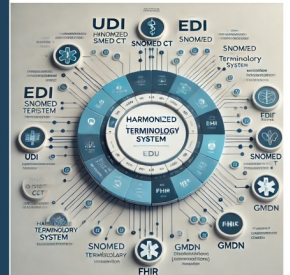
METHODS

WG conducted various comparisons: UDI vs. EDI vs. SNOMED CT, UDI vs. OMOP, UDI vs. FHIR resources, or SNOMED CT vs. GMDN. The workgroup members also explored the OHDSI Vocabulary's Medical Device component with a focus on RWE use.

RESULTS

- Critical gaps in meta-data characteristics of medical devices needed for categories of use cases such as analysis of component composition, version changes over time, among others. This degrades the capacity to automatically execute studies by requiring manual data collection on an ad-hoc basis.

A harmonized and interoperable medical device terminologies, serving as the single source of truth, is needed for medical device RWE studies.



- UDI is more granular than SNOMED CT and supports more granular medical device RWE study designs.
- UDI and FHIR's medical device resources have similar meta-data to describe medical devices, however, these data are not included in the OMOP meta-data tables.
- Limitations remain in transforming observational data for medical devices into the OMOP CDM.
- Although able to use UDI in organizational supply chain data, the inventory systems will need to be connected to patient data from the EHR and available to support utilization.

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Wednesday

An Explorative Study about the Latent Space of Clinical Foundation Models Based on a Common Data Model Database

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Background

Recently, there have been researches about clinical foundation models (FMs), which have shown advantages over traditional prediction model. While metrics like F1 score can explain the performance of a model objectively, they are usually inadequate for understanding the internal structure of the model. Also, methods to train such models are still limited to analogies from the language domain. There are many methods available that enable model understanding, such as visualizing self-attention of each layer or dimension reduction in the latent space. In this study, we aim to understand how we should train clinical foundation models by first training a model using our own data based on OMOP-CDM and visualizing the latent space of the trained model.

Methods

We trained a transformer model based on the bidirectional transformer (BERT) architecture, using data from Ajou university hospital standardized to the Observational Medical Outcomes Partnership (OMOP) Common Data Model (CDM). Patient records were first translated into a time series format. Additional information such as patient age and gender were prepended to the input series as separate tokens. To provide a better understanding about the domains defined by OMOP-CDM, each token was added to the embedding about its domain, i.e. condition, drug, measurement.

The model was trained using masked language modeling. 15% of the tokens were randomly masked and the model predicted the original tokens. 1% of the total training data was randomly selected, and the CLS tokens of the sample were calculated. The tokens were then reduced to seven dimensions using Uniform Manifold Approximation (UMAP) and clustered with Hierarchical Density-Based Spatial Clustering of Applications with Noise (HDBSCAN). The result was visualized using t-distributed stochastic neighbor embedding (t-SNE) by reducing to a 2-dimensional plane. The resulting visualization was inspected, and cluster formation was manually evaluated using Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency (TF-IDF).

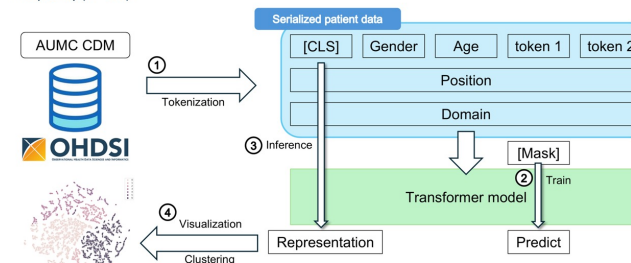


Figure 1. Study flow. First, the OMOP-CDM in Ajou university medical center was transformed into serial data according to each patient, including basic patient information such as gender and age. The data was then fed through a transformer model.

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Results

Training loss converged and the model with the least validation error was selected. The clusters were not immediately recognizable with the IDs only, but some was specific enough to make weak assumptions about the cluster. For example, cluster 5 had measurements related to health screening. The visualization of clusters using representative tokens showed better results in cluster membership. While some tokens representing a cluster was not present for most of the patient data within that cluster, certain tokens clearly showed patterns of grouping (Figure 2), closely resembling the distribution of the cluster.

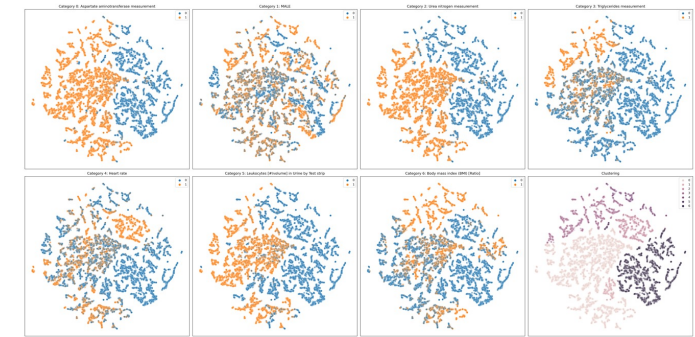


Figure 2. Top 1 representative token of each cluster visualized. (Blue) Patients without representative concept ID of cluster 0 to 6. (Orange) Patients with representative concept ID of cluster 0 to 6.

Conclusions

In this study, we trained a BERT-based clinical foundation model using data from electronic health record converted to OMOP-CDM. The latent space was visualized using dimension reduction techniques and clusters with explainable characteristics were found in some cases. A better optimized approach with different architectures or training method may lead to a better intuitive understanding about the data contained using OMOP-CDM.

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Thursday

Harmonization of routine care data from hospitals in the Digital Oncology Network for Europe (DigiONE) into Observational Medical Outcomes Partnership (OMOP) databases reveals changes in the number of new primary cancers diagnosed and 12-month survival during COVID-19 lockdowns

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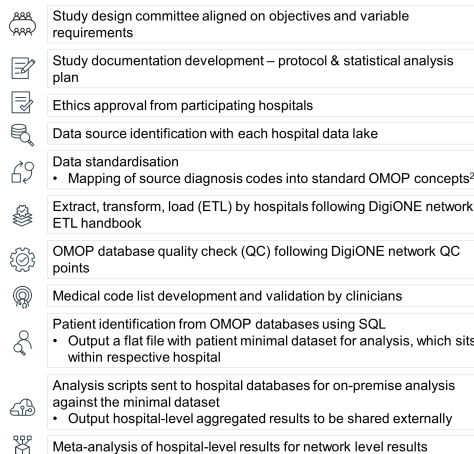
INTRODUCTION

- The curation, standardization, and harmonization of routine care data across hospitals is complex due to its often unstructured, incomplete, and dissimilar nature.
- This study standardized and harmonized data in OMOP across 5 hospitals in Europe to investigate the impact of COVID-19 lockdowns on new cancer diagnoses and 12-month survival covering the period before the pandemic, during peak lockdowns, and the subsequent recovery phases.

METHODS

- Five academic, public, and general oncology treating DigiONE hospitals transformed a core dataset from their electronic medical records, into local OMOP databases to establish the first pan-cancer European hospital OMOP network for federated analysis¹ (Figure 1).
- Patients with a diagnosis of one of the 11 cancer groups (breast, prostate, lung, colorectal, upper gastrointestinal, hematological, gynecological, head and neck, non-prostate urological, melanoma, brain) between 01-Jul-2018 and 30-Sep-2023 were included.
- Interrupted time-series analysis using generalized least squares was applied to assess changes in the volume of cancer diagnoses at each hospital, as well as overall as a network for each cancer group. Data between Jul-2018 to Jun-2019 were used as the baseline.
- For patients with a 12-month follow up, 12-month overall survival was described by three-month (quarterly) cohorts based on index date.

Figure 1. Approach to harmonizing data across five hospitals



RESULTS

- The study included 124,682 patients across 5 hospitals. There was a four-fold difference in the average number of monthly primary cancer diagnoses between the smallest and the largest hospital (Table 1).
- The mean age at index was 63.9 years and 50.13% were male. There was no statistical significance change in age and sex groups over the study period.

Table 1: Volume of monthly diagnoses of all eligible cancer groups over the study period

	Hosp 1	Hosp 2	Hosp 3	Hosp 4	Hosp 5
Average	197	356	240	763	172
Minimum	149	186	187	592	111
Maximum	255	428	290	907	220

Figure 2. Change in monthly primary cancers diagnoses in each hospital, across phase transitions using country-specific dates

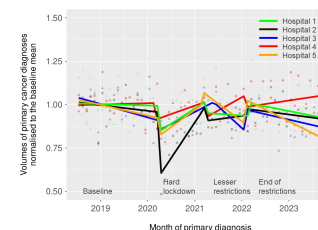
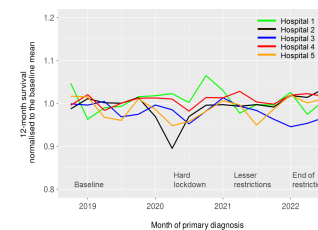


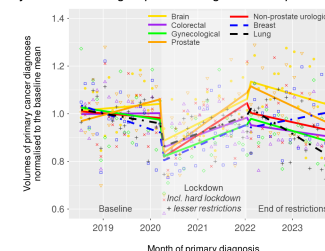
Figure 3. Change in proportion of patients surviving to 12 months from index in each hospital, across phase transitions using country-specific dates



- Proportion of newly diagnosed cancer patients surviving 12 months mirrored the drop in volume of primary cancer diagnoses from baseline to hard lockdown, particularly in Hospitals 2, 3 and 5.
- The trend of poorer survival during hard lockdowns which returns to pre-pandemic levels by the end of the study period was observed in four hospitals.

Nevertheless, the lack of data collected on disease stage and cause of death, including COVID-19 related deaths, limits the interpretation of the current survival data and its association with the volume of primary cancer diagnoses.

Figure 4. Change in new diagnosis volumes in each cancer group as a network
Only shows cancer groups with a significant step change



- The overall number of primary cancer diagnoses significantly decreased from baseline to lockdown across the network ($p < 0.005$).
- Statistically significant declines were observed in prostate ($p < 0.005$), brain, colorectal, non-prostate urological, and gynaecological ($p < 0.001$) cancers.
- Lung and breast cancer showed near-significant declines ($p = 0.057$ and $p = 0.078$, in dashed regression lines).

CONCLUSION

- This first pan-cancer study from the DigiONE network showcases the ability of 5 European hospitals to standardize and harmonize data in OMOP for over 120,000 patients collectively, collaborating on data analysis in a privacy-preserving manner without transfer of patient level data.
- The findings presented here showcase the use of the harmonized data for comparative analyses of care practices and outcomes across different countries, as well as trends at the European network level.
- The robust approach to OMOP data integration and harmonization at DigiONE hospitals not only enhances the overall data reliability, but also expands the analyzable patient population, facilitating faster collaborations for generating reliable real-world evidence in precision oncology research.

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Friday

Executing a Reusable Framework for Study-Specific Data Quality Analysis (Demo)

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Purpose

- Reusable & reproducible data quality analytics
- More focus on assessing study-specific needs than broader network data quality checks
- Flexibility for users to apply analyses across multiple study contexts



Wieand, Kaleigh



Where Are We Going?

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



Three Stages of The Journey

Where Have We Been?

Where Are We Now?

Where Are We Going?





Dec. 3: Recent OHDSI/OMOP Publications



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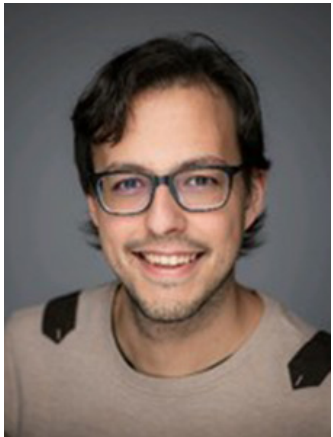
Transforming Primary Care Data Into the
Observational Medical Outcomes Partnership
Common Data Model: Development and
Usability Study



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Learning health system linchpins: information
exchange and a common data model



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Using Distributed Analytics and Tools in the
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Binary Data: A Novel Distributed Algorithm
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