

DATA-DRIVEN HEALTHCARE TODAY'S RESEARCH FOR TOMORROW'S HEALTHCARE

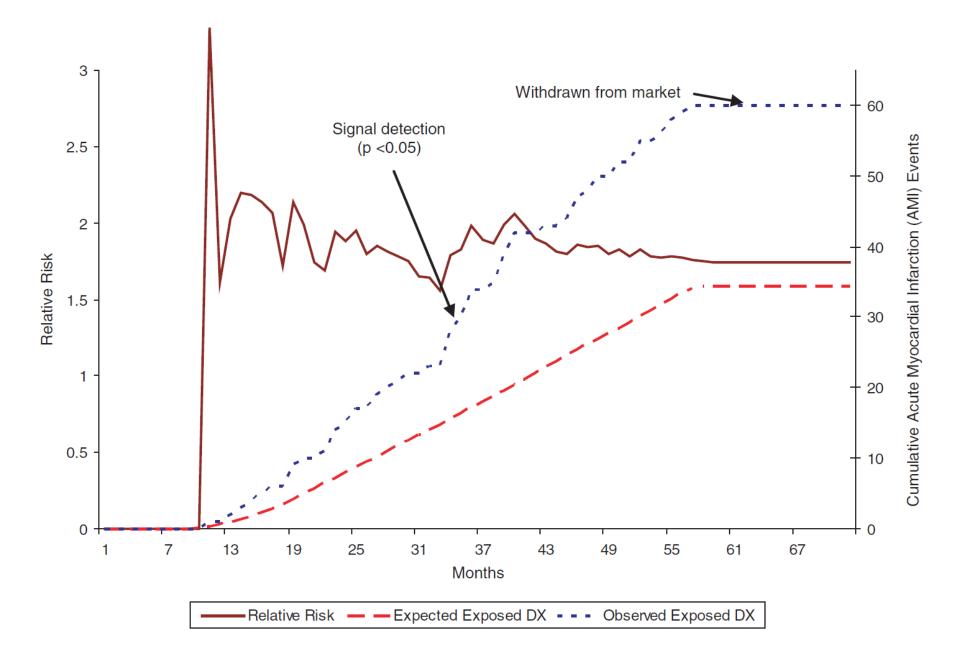
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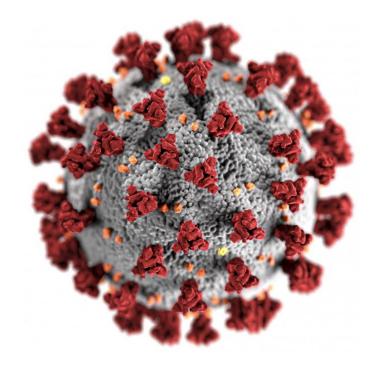
Drivers



Source: Challenges for the FDA: The Future of Drug Safety, Workshop Summary

Other examples







Source: https://mobile.twitter.com/DataSavesLives/photo

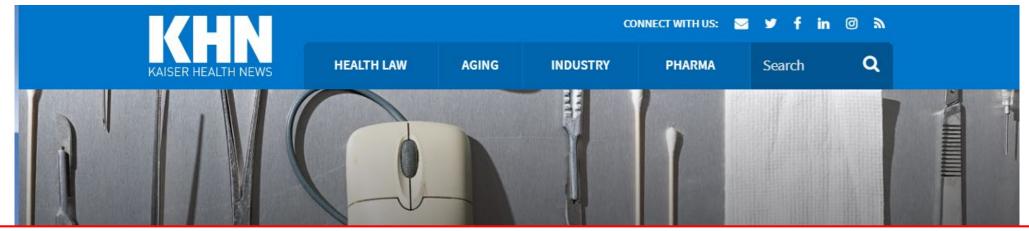


Challenges





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The ideal — creating a useful, interoperable, nationwide records system — was "utterly infeasible to get to in a short time frame."

https://khn.org/news/

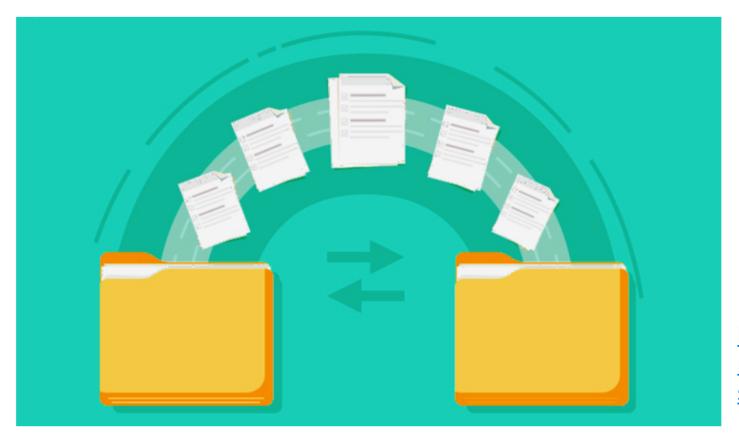
BOTCHED OPERATION

Death By 1,000 Clicks: Where death-by-a-thousand-clicks/ Electronic Health Records Went Wrong

The U.S. government claimed that turning American medical charts into electronic records would make health care better, safer and cheaper. Ten years and \$36 billion later, the system is an unholy mess. Inside a digital revolution that took a bad turn.

One-Third of Health Systems Still Struggle with Interoperability

A new survey shows that health systems are still struggling to share data both within their own organizations and with other entities.



Shared Semantics

Standards

Information models & Vocabularies

https://ehrintelligence.com/ news/one-third-of-health-systemsstill-struggle-with-interoperability

The Washington Post

Democracy Dies in Darkness

Economic Policy

The solutions to all our problems may be buried in PDFs that nobody reads

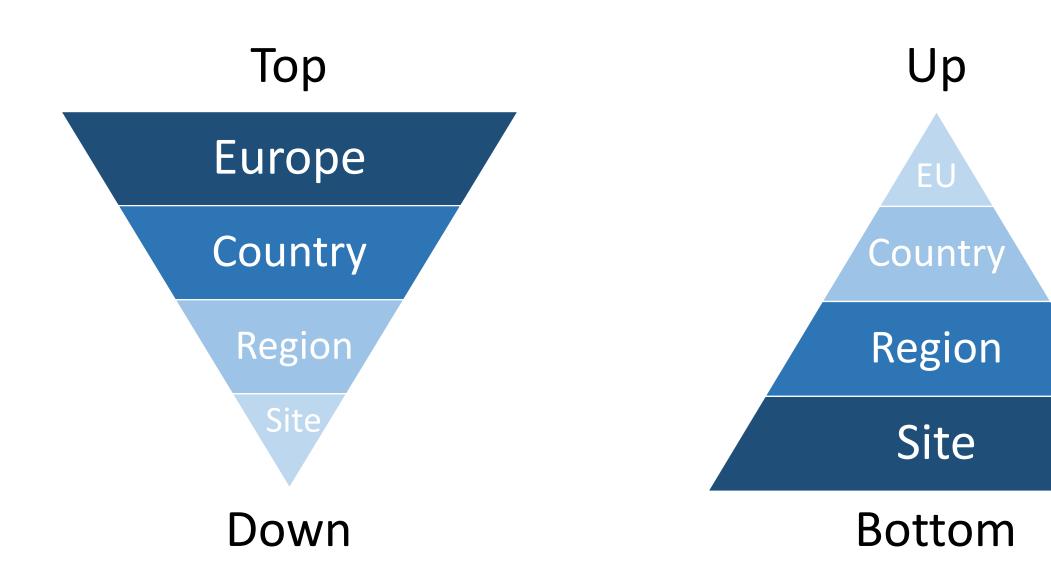
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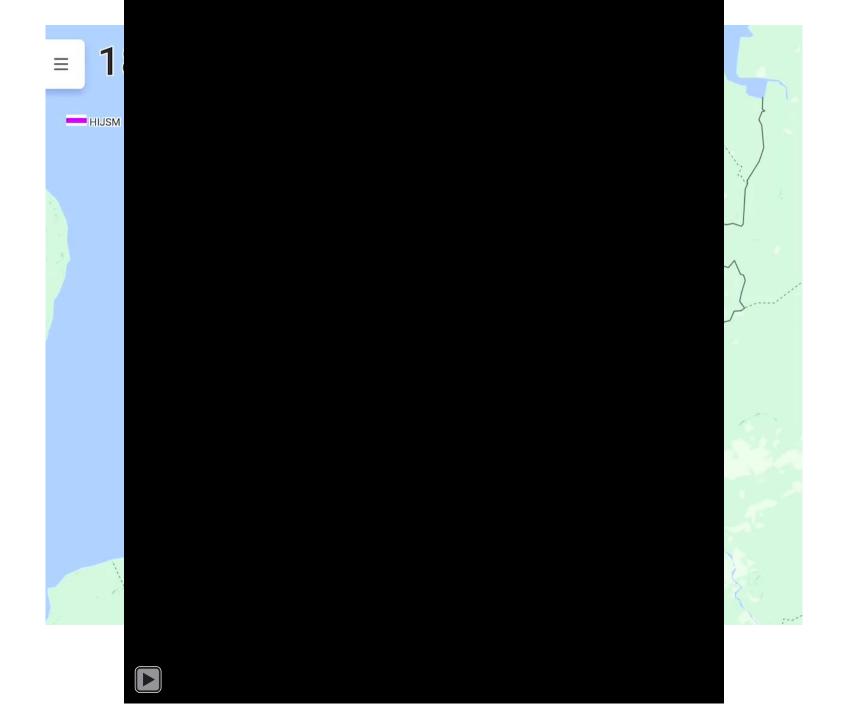
May 8, 2014

What if someone had already figured out the answers to the world's most pressing policy problems, but those solutions were buried deep in a PDF, somewhere nobody will ever read them?



Approaches







Refined eHealth European Interoperability Framework

Legal and regulatory

Legal and regulatory constraints

Policy

Collaboration agreements

Care Process

Alignment of care processes

Information

Defining and coding of information

Applications

Integration in healthcare systems

IT Infrastructure

Communication protocols

Source: European Commission, 2017

European Health Data Space Regulation

Empower individuals to control their health data

Foster a single market for digital health services and products

Ensure interoperability and security of health data and a level playing field for manufacturers









Unleash the power of the health data economy

Ensure a consistent and efficient framework for the reuse of health data for research, innovation, policy-making and regulatory activities

Source: A European Health Data Space: harnessing the power of health data for people, patients and innovation

European approaches

- EHDS: a "health-specific ecosystem comprised of rules, common standards and practices, infrastructures and a governance framework".
- GAIA-X project; a federated system linking cloud service providers and users in a transparent environment that will drive the European data economy

International health data standardization

- HL7 (FHIR Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources)
 - facilitating exchange of healthcare data
 - Based on OpenAPI specification
- OHDSI (Observational Health Data Sciences and Informatics)
 - facilitating analysis of federated observational data for Real-World Evidence
- CDISC (Clinical Data Interchange Standards Consortium)
 - to enable interoperability to improve medical research







Applications in the Netherlands

National Switchboard – based on HL7 CDA



 MedMij – standard for secure exchange of health data between care users and care providers (person health environments)



VIPP – Providing patients' access to their health data





Experiences



- Data Curation Tool, for conversion into HL7 FHIR Repository
- Data Privacy Tool, HL7 FHIR API-based
- FAIR4Health platform, to support the execution of algorithms

See for all details:

https://www.fair4health.eu/en/news/fair4health-key-outputs-for-the-scientific-community



Data standardization

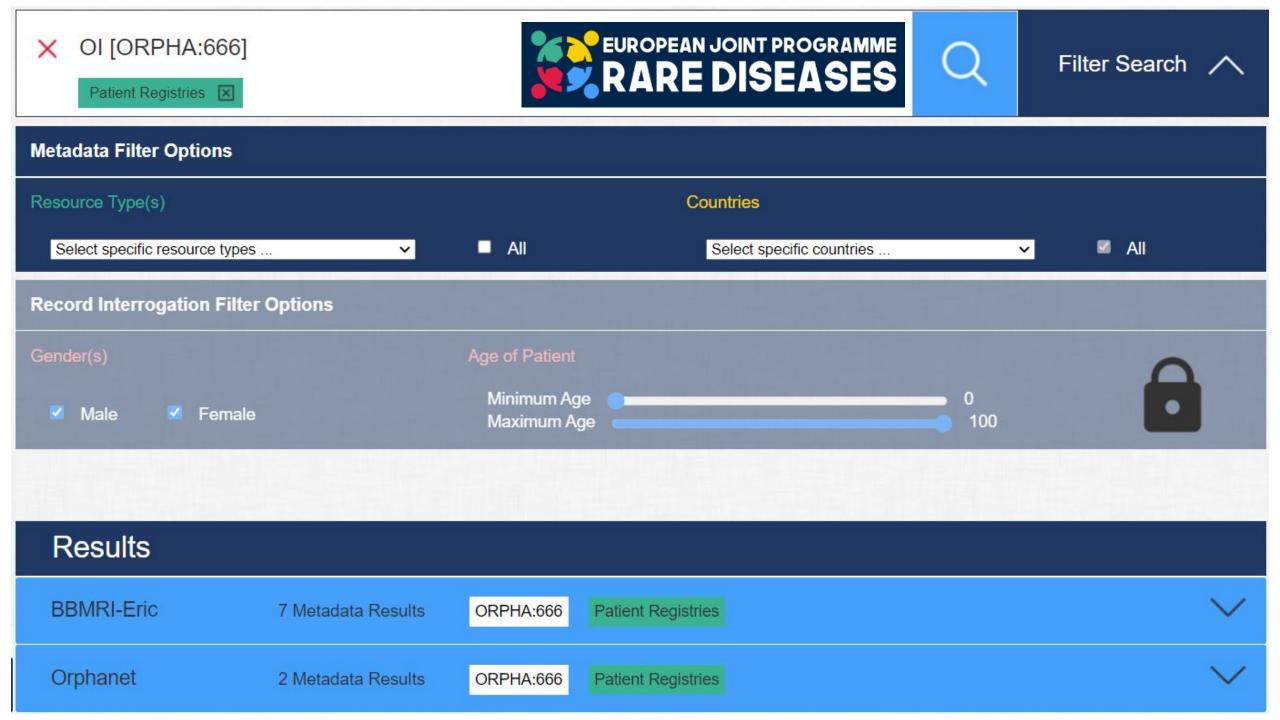
- Application of the OHDSI model and tools
 - CAPABLE quality of life after cancer treatment
 - Mental health of children and young adults
 - NICE Dutch ICU registry
 - CovidPredict ICU data of COVID-19 patients
 - Common data elements of rare disease registries











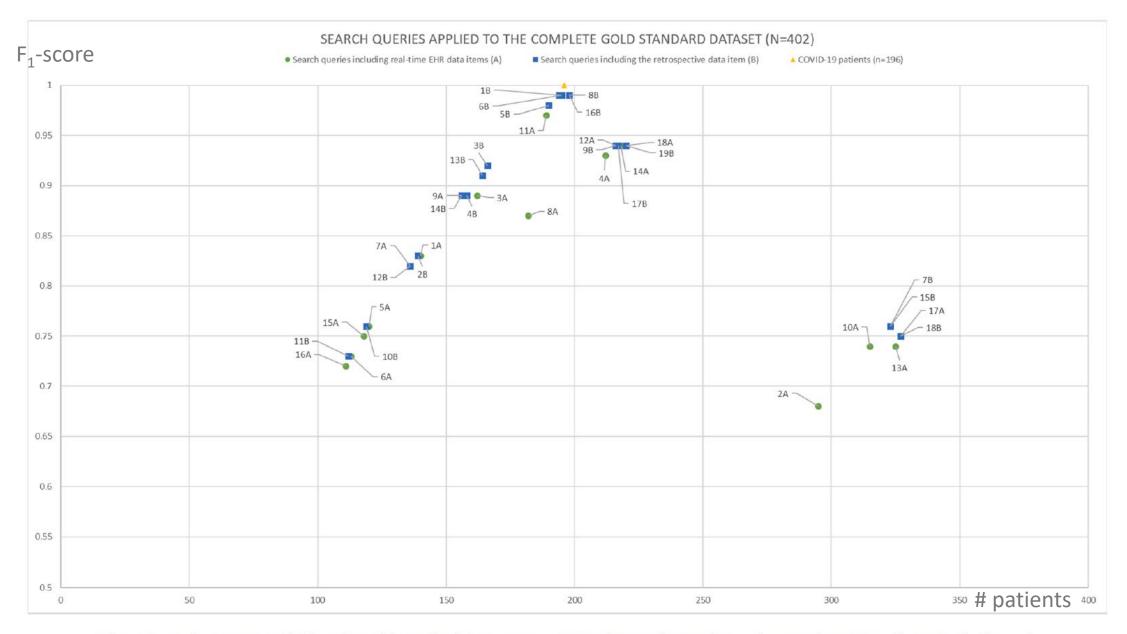


Fig. 3. Search queries applied to the gold standard dataset (n = 402). The numbers indicate the search queries, shown in the legend.

Pre-condition — "FAIR" from the start



1. Post-hoc FAIRification, after data collection in an EDC system



2. De-novo FAIRification via an EDC system



Kersloot et al., De-novo FAIRification via an Electronic Data Capture system by automated transformation of filled electronic Case Report Forms into machine-readable data J Biomed Info 2021; https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbi.2021.103897

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File:FAIR data principles.jpg

Diagnosis clarification by generalization: Validation study

Background:

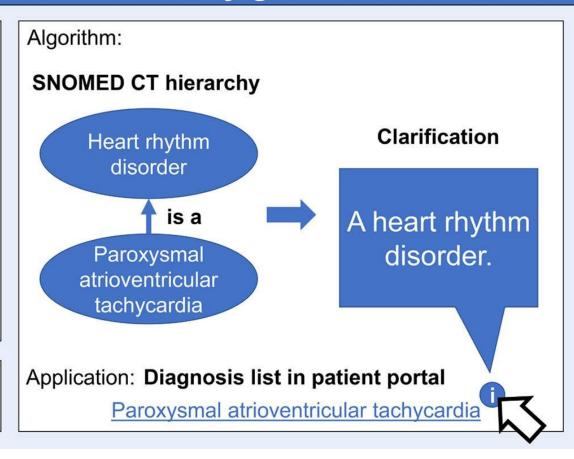


Patients access their data

Medical records are full of jargon

Words Words Words We validated an algorithm to clarify diagnoses in more general, patient-friendly terms and definitions

H.J.T. van Mens, S.S.M. Martens, E.H.M. Paiman, A.C. Mertens, R. Nienhuis, N.F. de Keizer, R. Cornet. *J. Biomed. Inform.* (2022)



Results:

12.7% **Errors**

14.3% Unacceptable

Discussion:

- Majority correct, complete, relevant, clear and acceptable
- Problems related to underlying terminologies and patient-friendly terms and definitions

> J Biomed Inform. 2022 May;129:104071. doi: 10.1016/j.jbi.2022.104071. Epub 2022 Apr 13.

Diagnosis clarification by generalization to patientfriendly terms and definitions: Validation study

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Experiences – summary

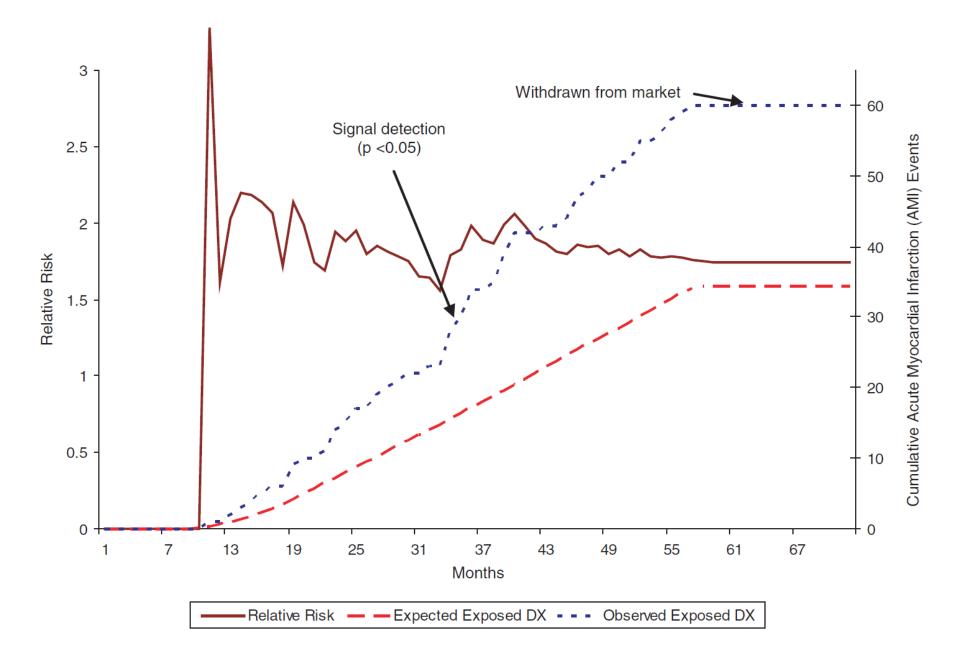
Sociotechnical effort

Knowledge intensive, many gaps

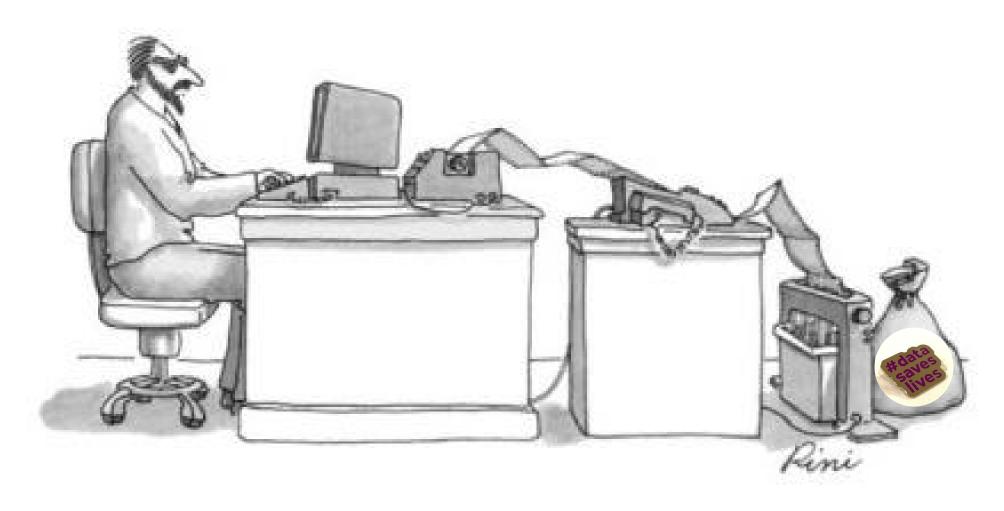
• (medical) informatics needs to further mature



Agenda



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Re-use of health(care) data: integral approach of the obstacles to tackle

Common interest

Rules

Technology put in practice

General principles / Rating support / Communication

Patients/citizens are **not well informed** about the importance of re-use of health(care) data

Lack of clarity about who has **control** over the health(care) data

Fear of lack of **recognition** by organisations generating health(care) data

Access to health(care) data by/from companies can be particularly challenging

Framework: Legal / Ethical / Societal / Privacy / Knowledge Security

(Perceived) Legal / ethical / societal barriers of re-use of health(care) data

Health(care) data cannot be linked to other data securely and precisely

Safeguarding privacy

Safeguarding knowledge security

Multiple and varying **review procedures** for re-use of health(care) data

Difficult to share health(care) data internationally

Technical / Logistics / Organisation / Services

Health(care) data are difficult to obtain and fragmented

Health(care) data are changed and/or deleted (due to administrative burden)

Health(care) (meta)data are **not structured** according to standards

Technical / logistic / organisational (compliance-by-design) barriers

Continuous interaction



Priorities – data

- Focus on high-quality, standardized, structured data at the source where possible
- Involve clinicians
- Get clear descriptions of data and datasets
- Minimize copy-pasting of data
- Use the data
- Involve patients

Priorities – field

Establish infrastructures

Establish communities

• Provide training in medical informatics



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