



Married 6-year Olds and Other Diseases of Data

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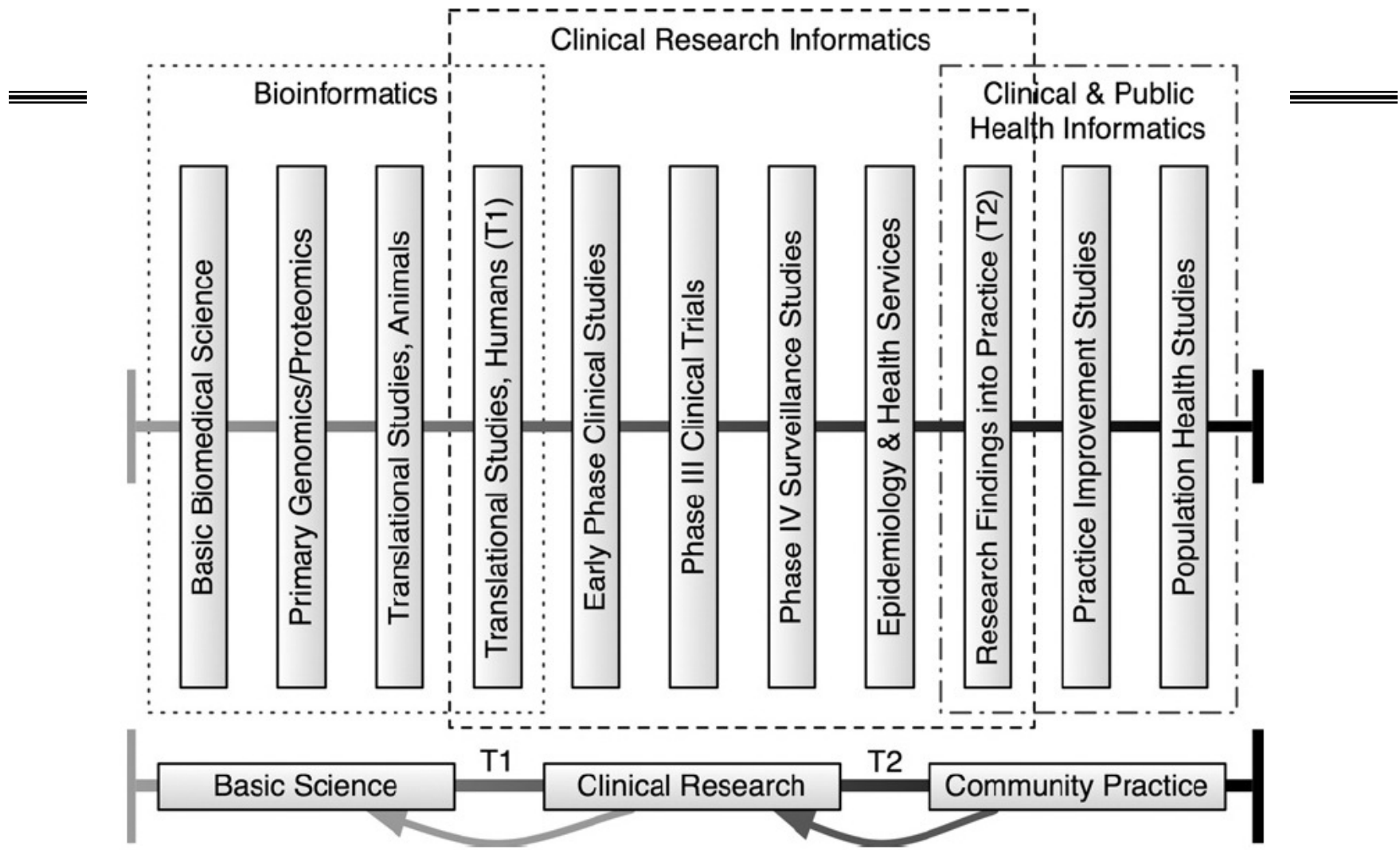
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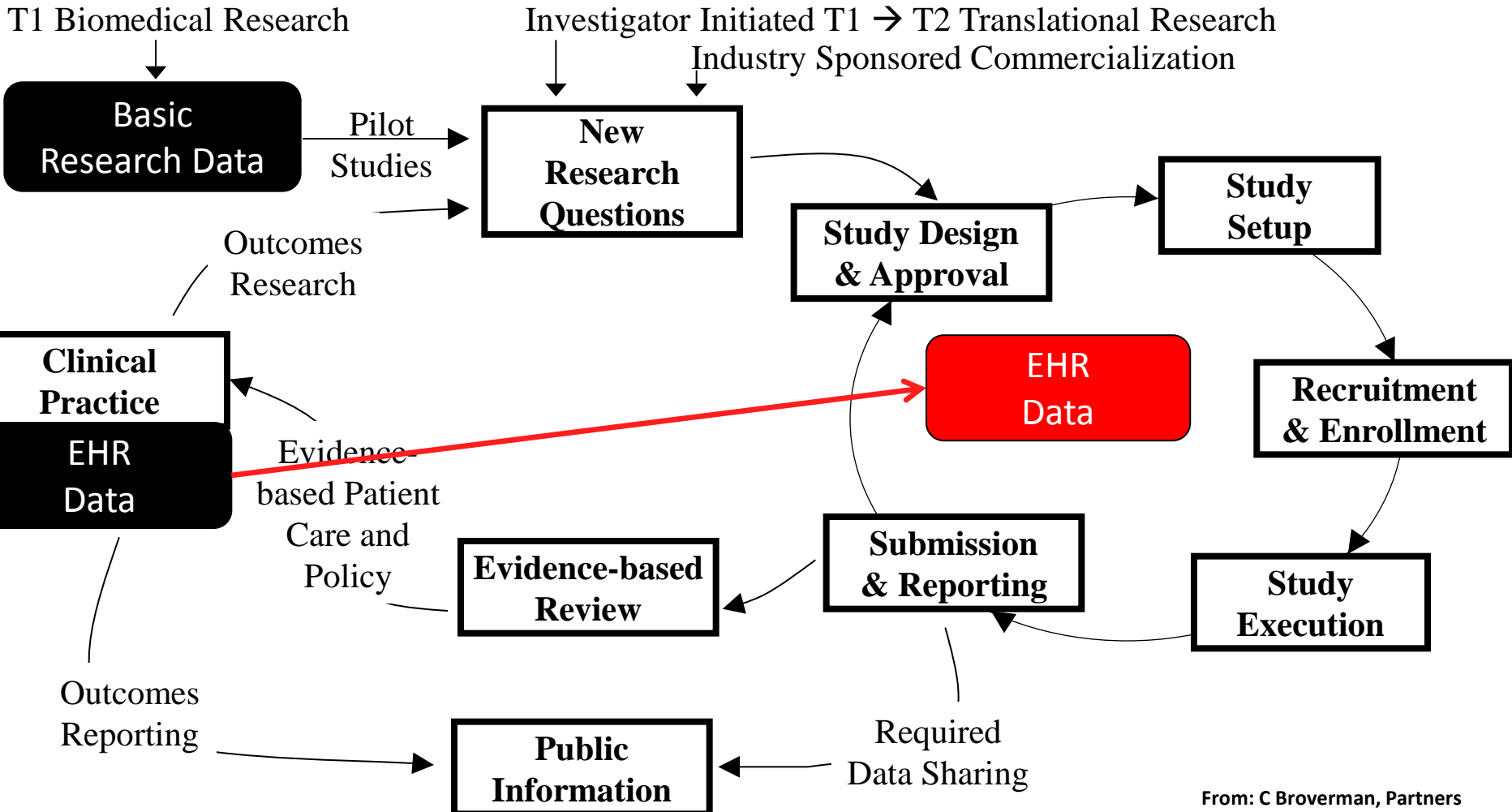
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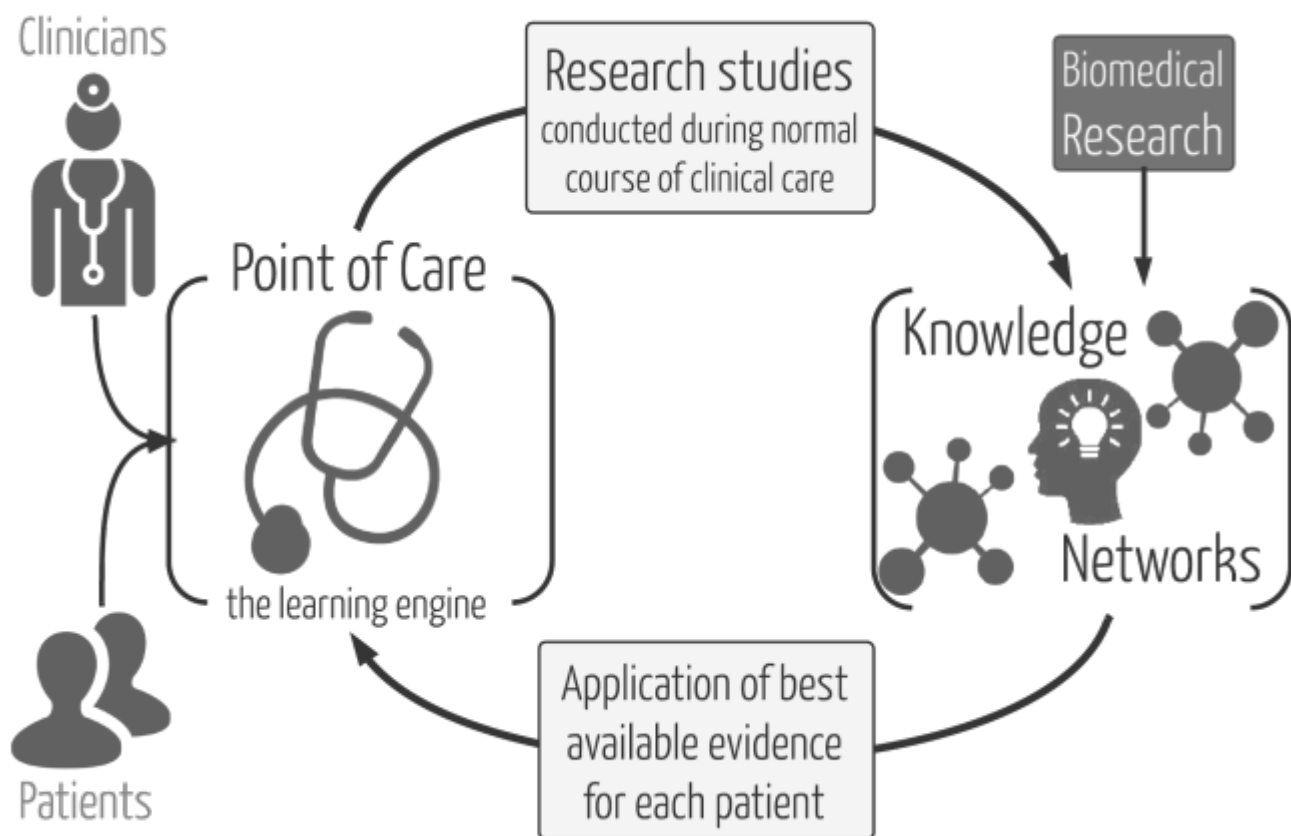
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The Changing View of Clinical Research



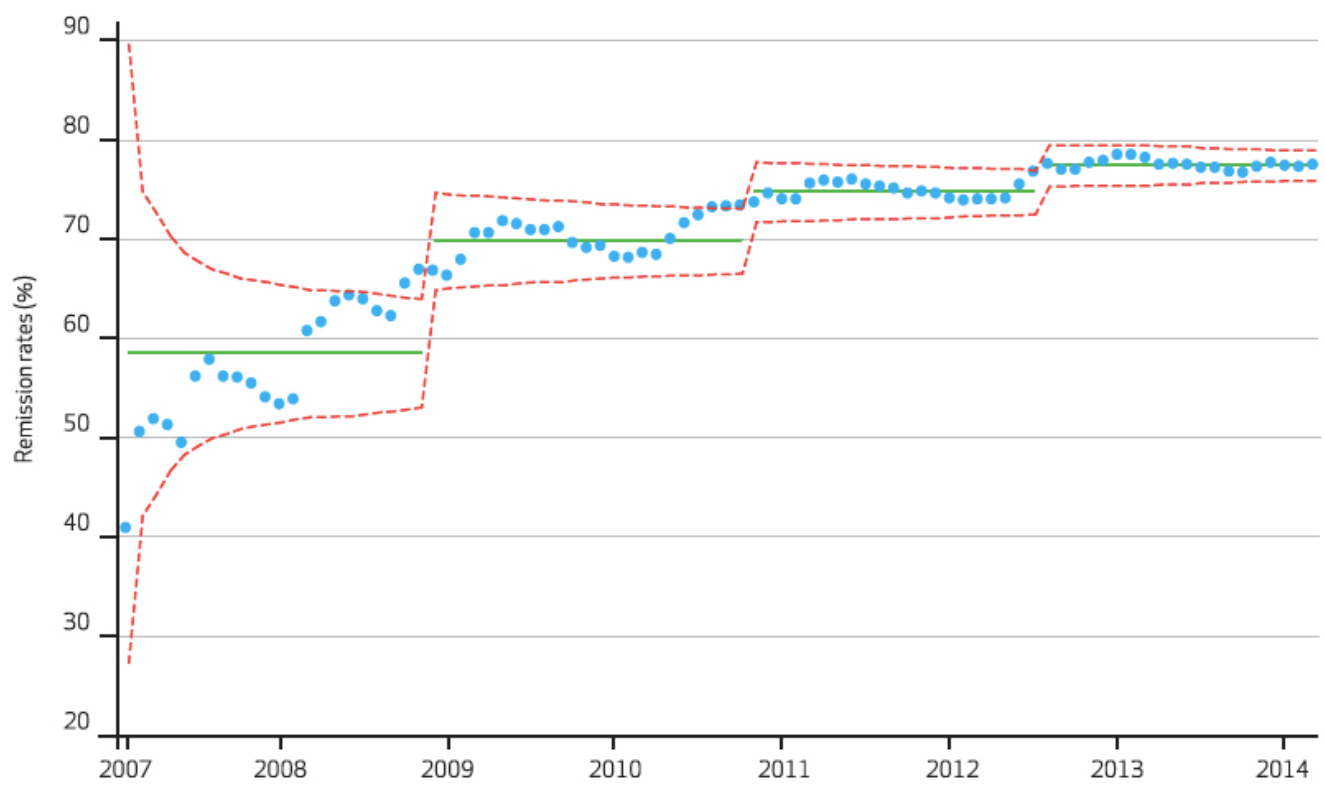
Learning Health Systems: Every patient contributes knowledge





ImproveCareNow: A Pediatric LHS

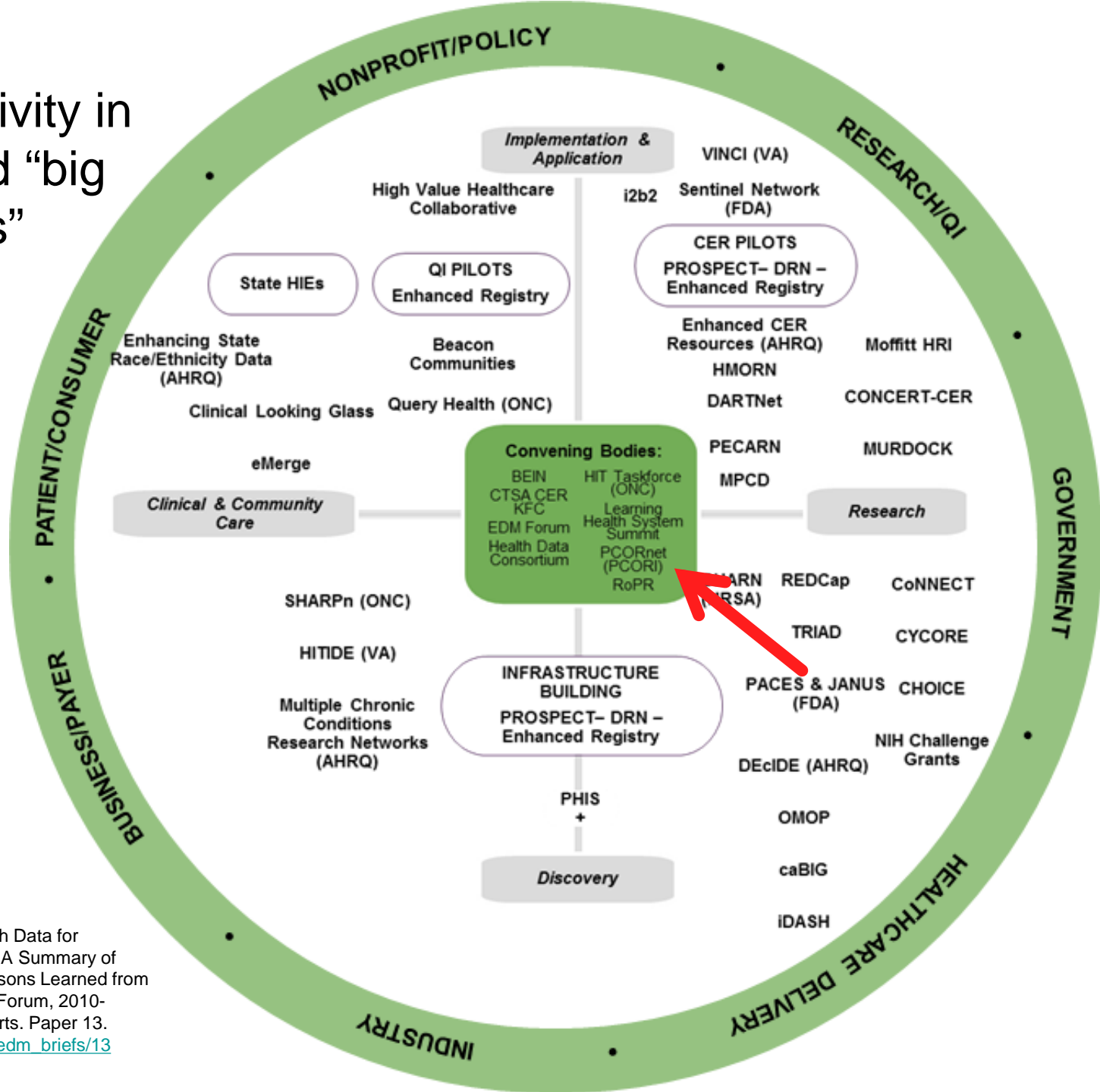
Percentage Of Pediatric Inflammatory Bowel Disease Patients In Remission, 2007-14



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SOURCE Data are from the ImproveCareNow pediatric inflammatory bowel disease registry for 2007-14. **NOTES** Each blue dot represents the percentage of patients in remission among care centers with more than 75 percent of their patients enrolled in ImproveCareNow in a given month. The figure shows the upper and lower confidence limits (dashed red lines in red) and the mean (green solid lines).

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**PCORnet:
The National Patient-Centered
Clinical Research Network**

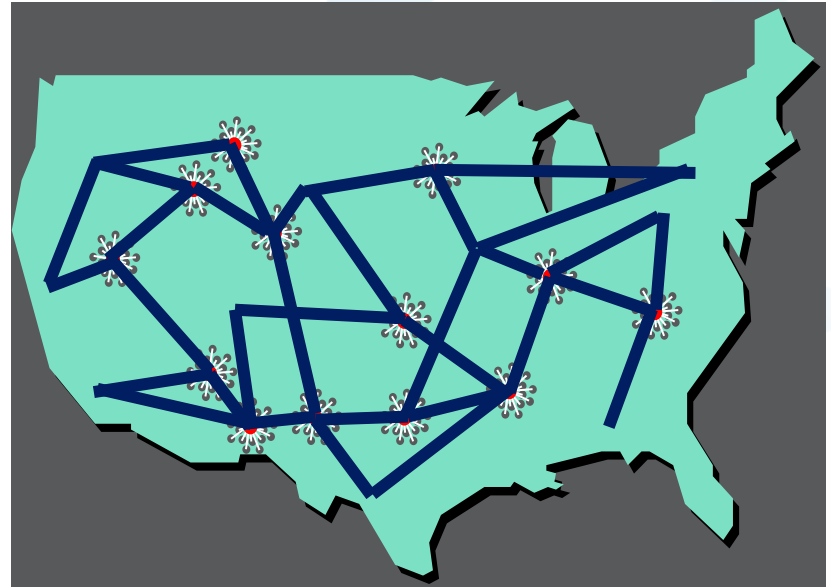


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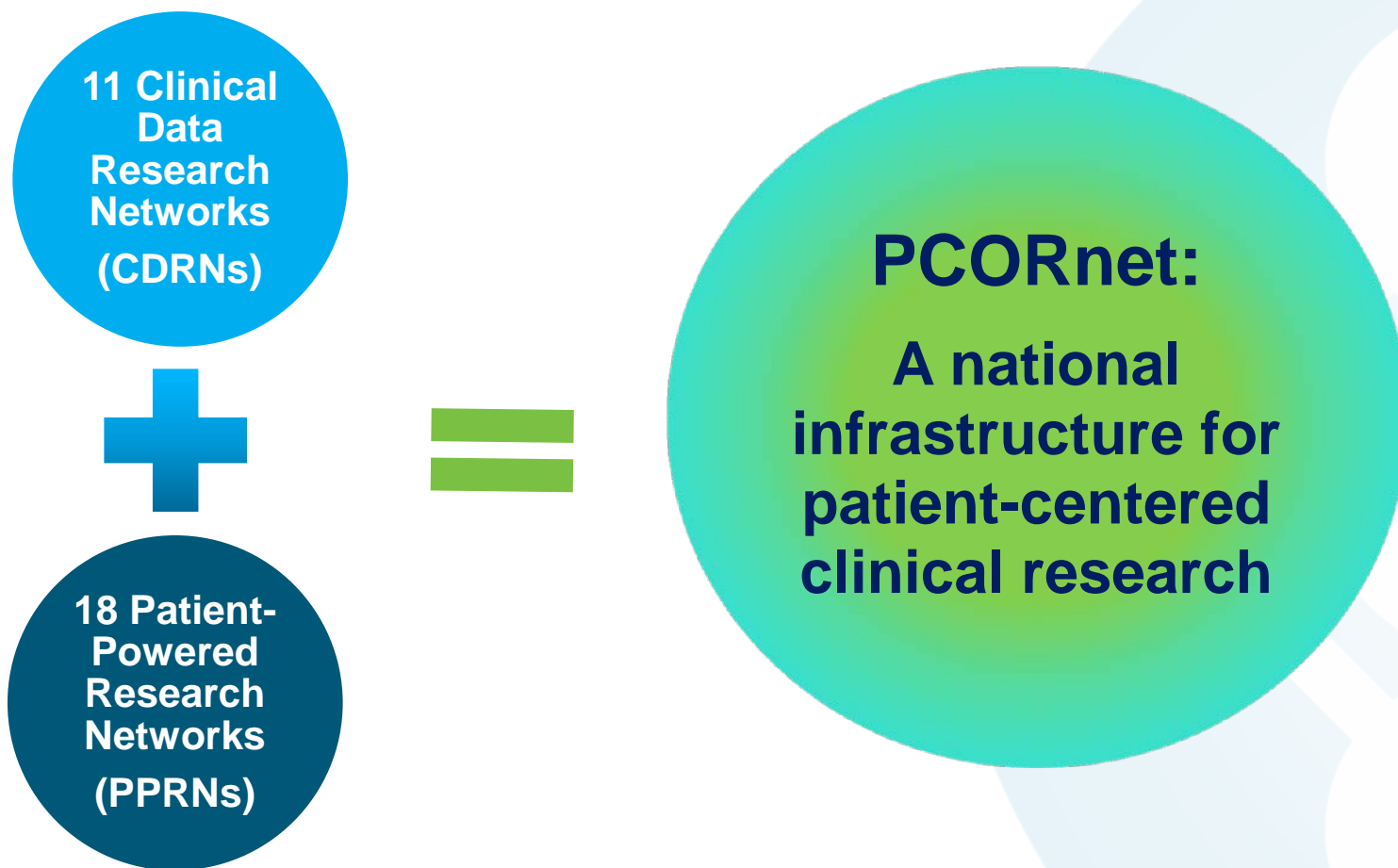
The National Patient-Centered Clinical Research Network

Both researchers and funders now recognize the value in integrating clinical research networks

- 🌐 Linking existing networks means clinical research can be conducted more effectively
- 🌐 Ensures that patients, providers, and scientists form true “communities of research”
- 🌐 Creates “interoperability” – networks can share sites and data



PCORnet embodies a “community of research” by uniting systems, patients & clinicians



11 CDRN and 18 PPRN awards



This map depicts the number of PCORI-funded Patient-Powered or Clinical Data Research Networks that have coverage in each state.

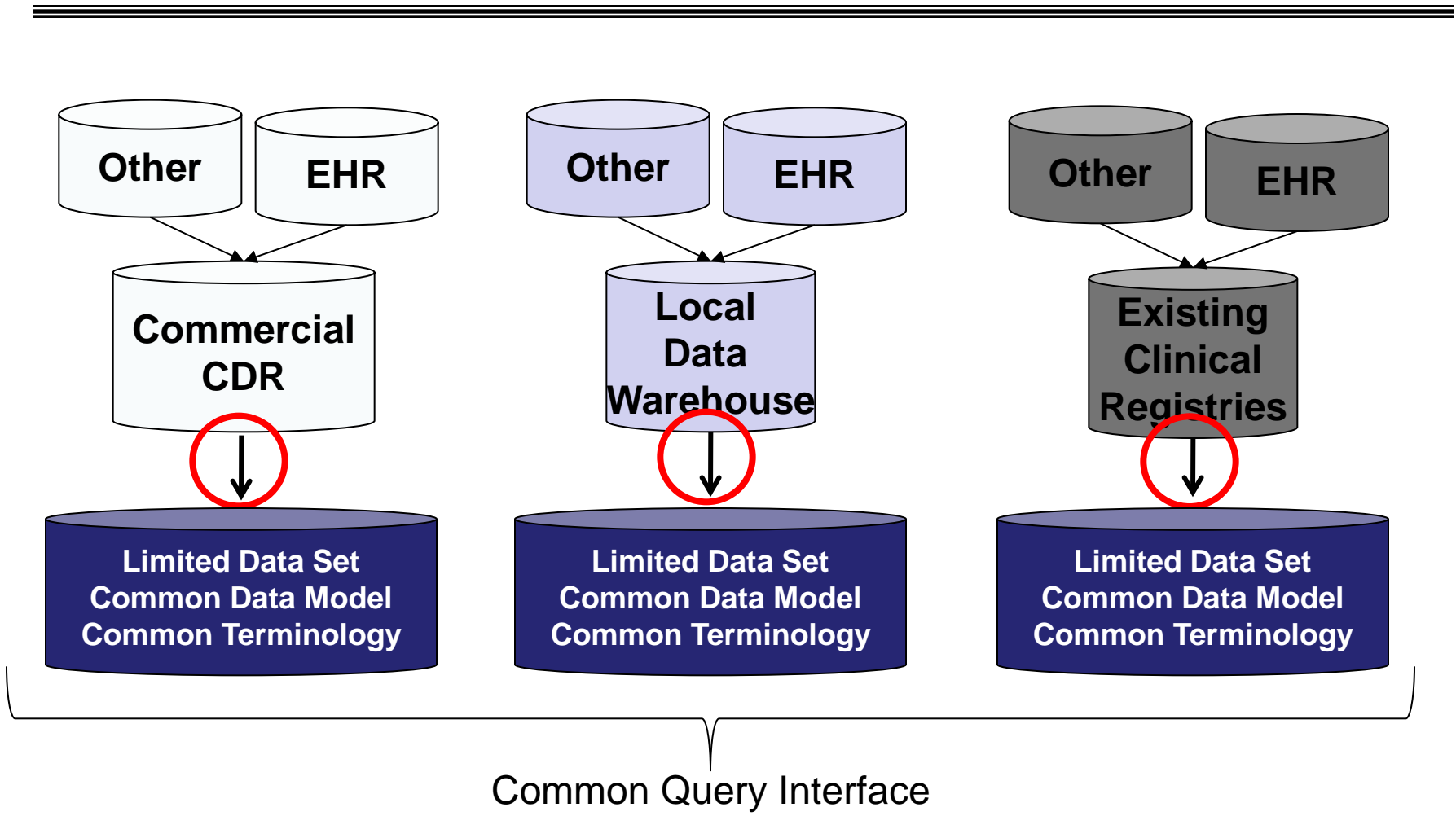
The logo consists of a dark blue rounded rectangle with the text "PEDSNet" on the top line and "CDRN" on the bottom line, both in white. This rectangle is centered within a larger, light blue rounded square.

PEDSNet
CDRN

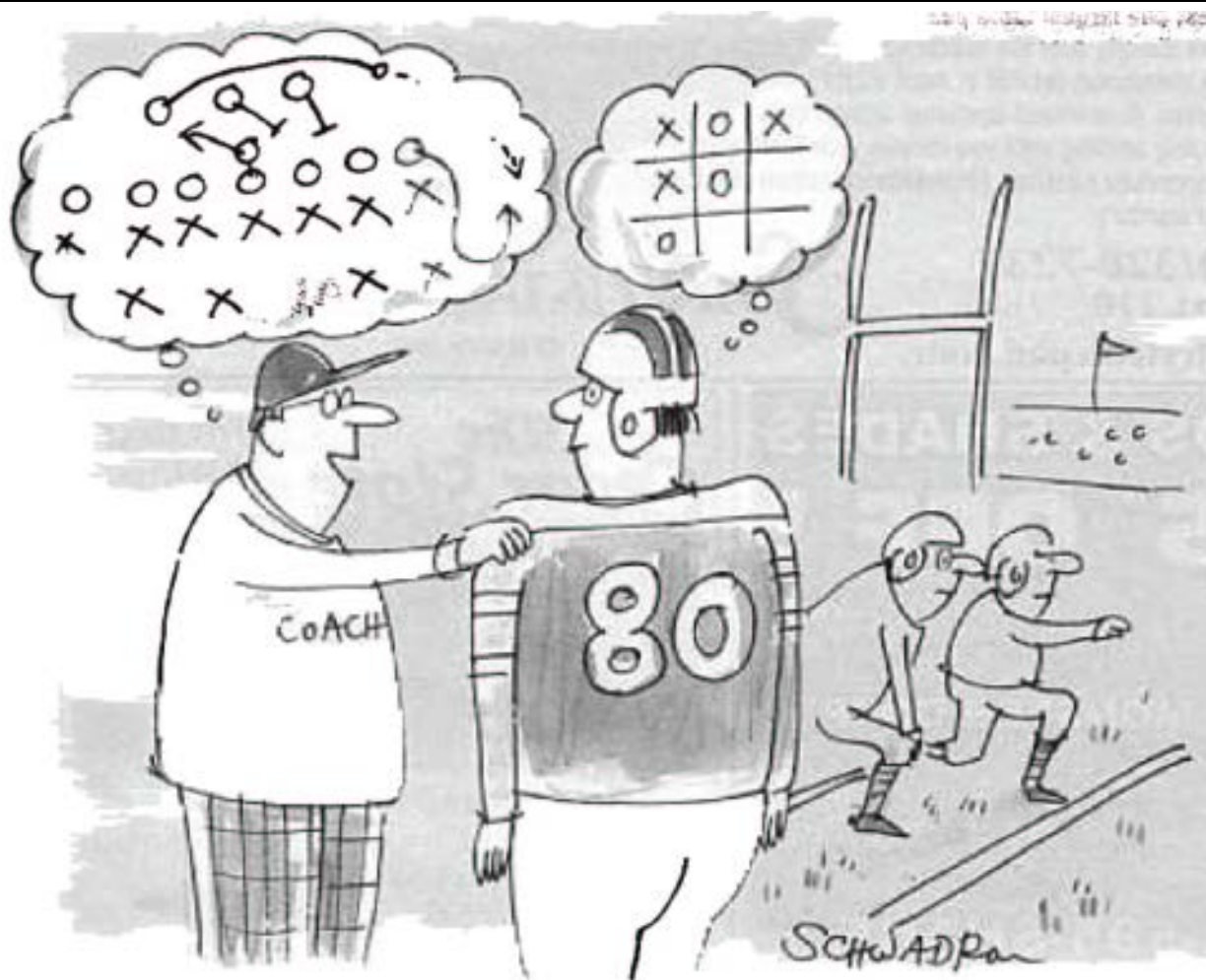
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Harmonizing data into a common structure



Terminology Harmonization – What are we talking about?



Examples of Variations in Platelet (Quantitative) Result Units in Source Data

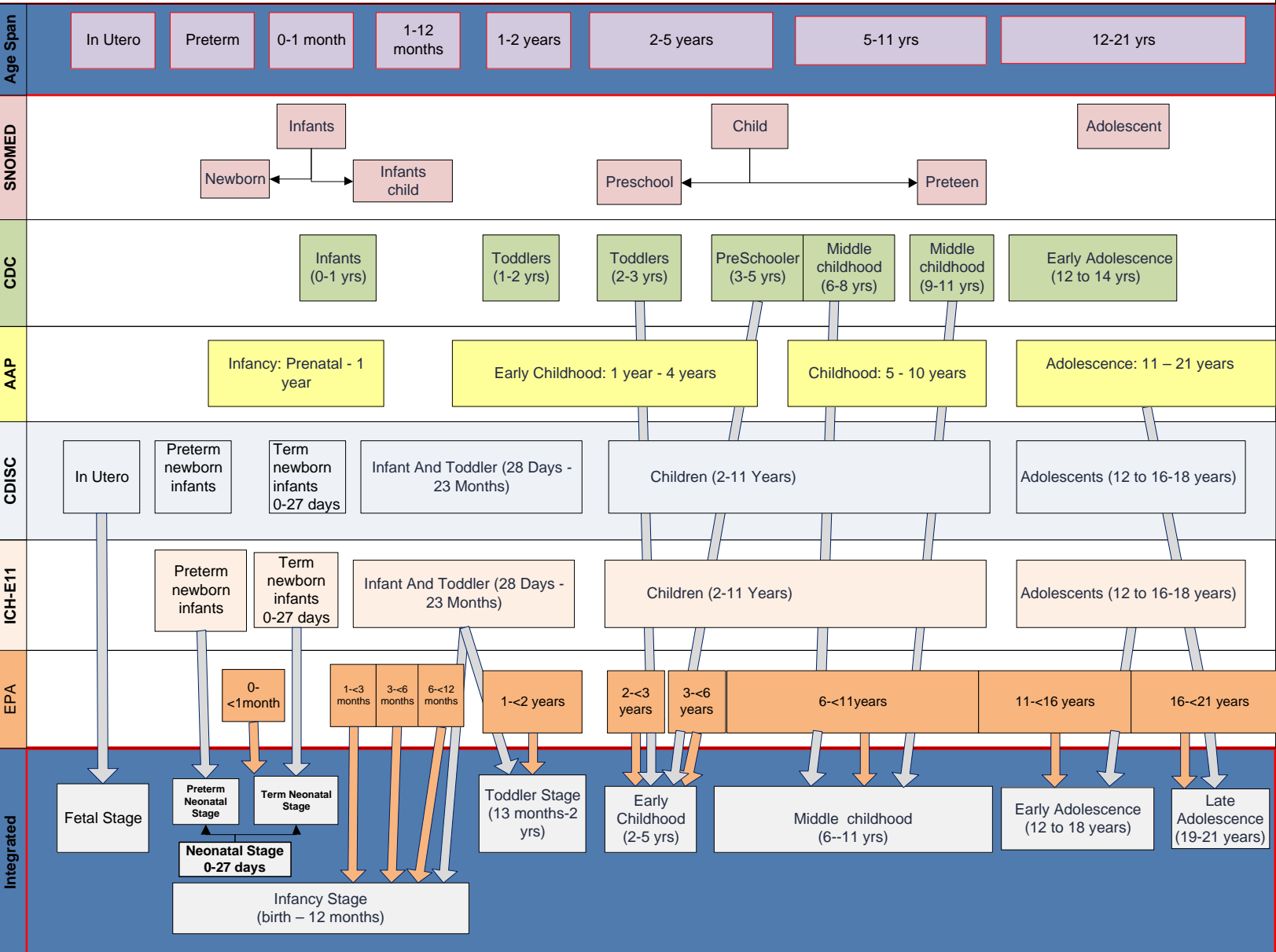
Platelet count original result units[‡]

Blank	FL	TH/UL	X10(3)
%	K/CMM	THOU/CMM	1000/UL
/100 W	k/cmm	thou/cmm	X10(3)/MCL
/CMM	K/CU MM	thou/mm ³	X10(3)/UL
CMM	K/CUMM	THOU/UL	X10(6)/MCL
10 ³ L	K/MCL	THOUS/CU.MM	X10 ⁹ /L
10X3UL	K/mcL	THOUS/MCL	X10E3/UL
10 ³ /UL	K/UL	THOU/mcL	X1000
10 ³ /uL	k/uL	THOUS/UL	X10X3
10 ³ /uL	KU/L	Thou/uL	X10 ³ /UL
10E3/uL	K/MM3	THOUSA	x10
10e3/uL	K/mm ³	THOUSAND	X10 ³ /ul
10e9/L	LB	THOUSAND/UL	X10E3/UL
E9/L	PLATELET CO	U	X10E3
BIL/L	T/CMM	X 10-3/UL	K/A?L
bil/L	TH/MM3	X 10(3)/UL	K/B5L
CU MM	th/mm ³	X10 ³	

Examples of Variations in (Qualitative) Pregnancy Result Units in Source Data (aka, how many ways can you spell negative?)

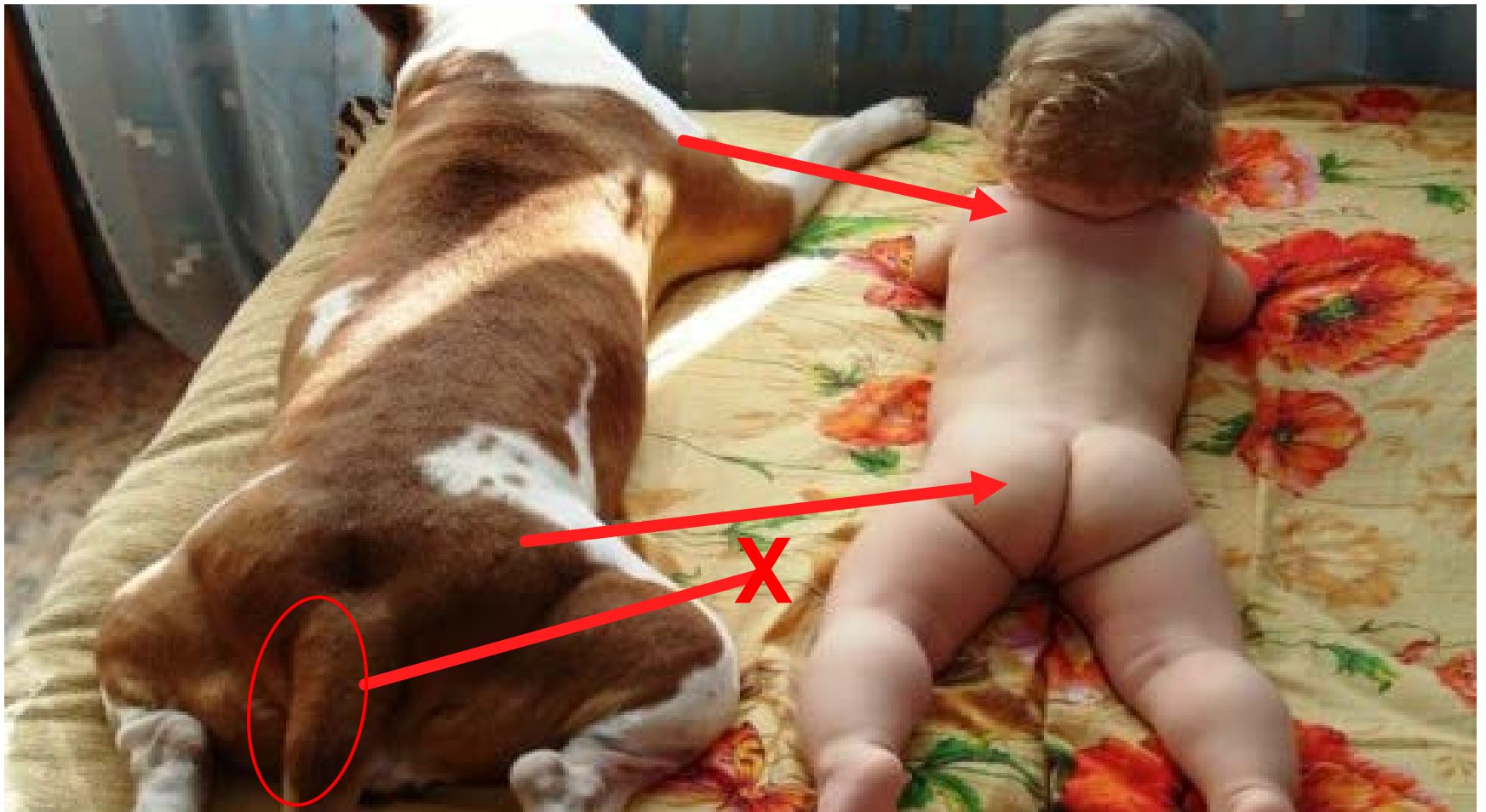
NEGATIVE	.
POSITIVE	820
UNDETERMINED	840
BORDERLINE	1615
BORDERLI	ABNORMAL
NEG	BOARDERL
NONE DET	BODERLIN
POS	CANCELLE
COMMENT:	DUPLICAT
160.8	EQUIVOCAL
0.5	EQUIVOCA
1.2	HIRABAYA
1000	NE-CHECK
122	NEAGTIVE
14	NEG (-)
140	NEGA
15	NEGA T I
2	NEGA TIV
2	NEGAT IV
2.1	NEGATAIV
203	NEGATIAV
252.3	NEGATIBE
278	NEGATIE
28	NEGATRIV
3178.2	NEGATTVE
345	NEGATVIE
38.1	NEGAVTIV
400	NEGITIVE
5 Int	NEGIVE
5272.4	NETGATIV
642.2	NORM
670	NORMAL
697.7	POA
DETECTED	POPSITIV
INDETERM	POSIIIV
N	POSITIFV
NOT DETE	POSITTVE
Neg	POSITIVE
Negative	POSOTIVE
Negativie	POSTIVE
P	PSOITIVE
Positive	REPEAT
SPRCS	STAT
TNP	URINE
n	
neg	
negative	

Integrated child-life stages for NICHD Pediatric Terminology as mapped to existing medical terminologies



AAP: American Academy of Pediatrics
 CDC: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
 CDISC: Clinical Data Interchange Standards Consortium
 EPA: Environmental Protection Agency
 ICH-E11: International Conference on Harmonisation
 SNOMED: Systematized Nomenclature of Medicine

Aligning Terminologies



SNOMED CT: A “mandated” clinical standard

- Sign and symptoms of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder
- ADHD
- attention deficit
- hyperactivity
- ADD

Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (disorder)

- loss of scalp hair
- scalp hair loss

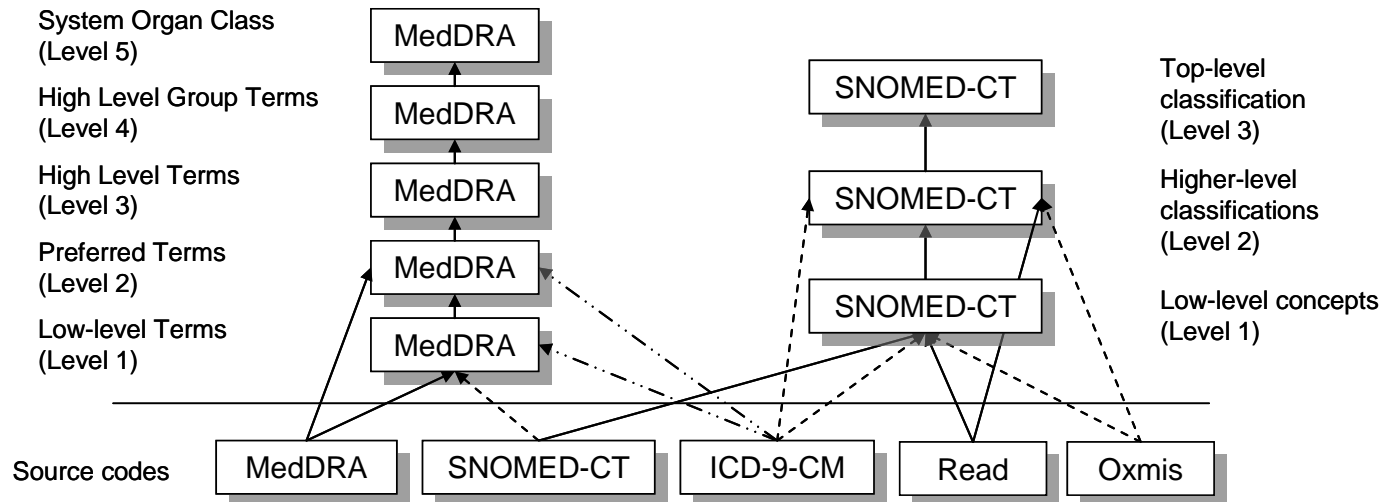
Diffuse loss of scalp hair (finding)

- Epistaxis
- nosebleeds

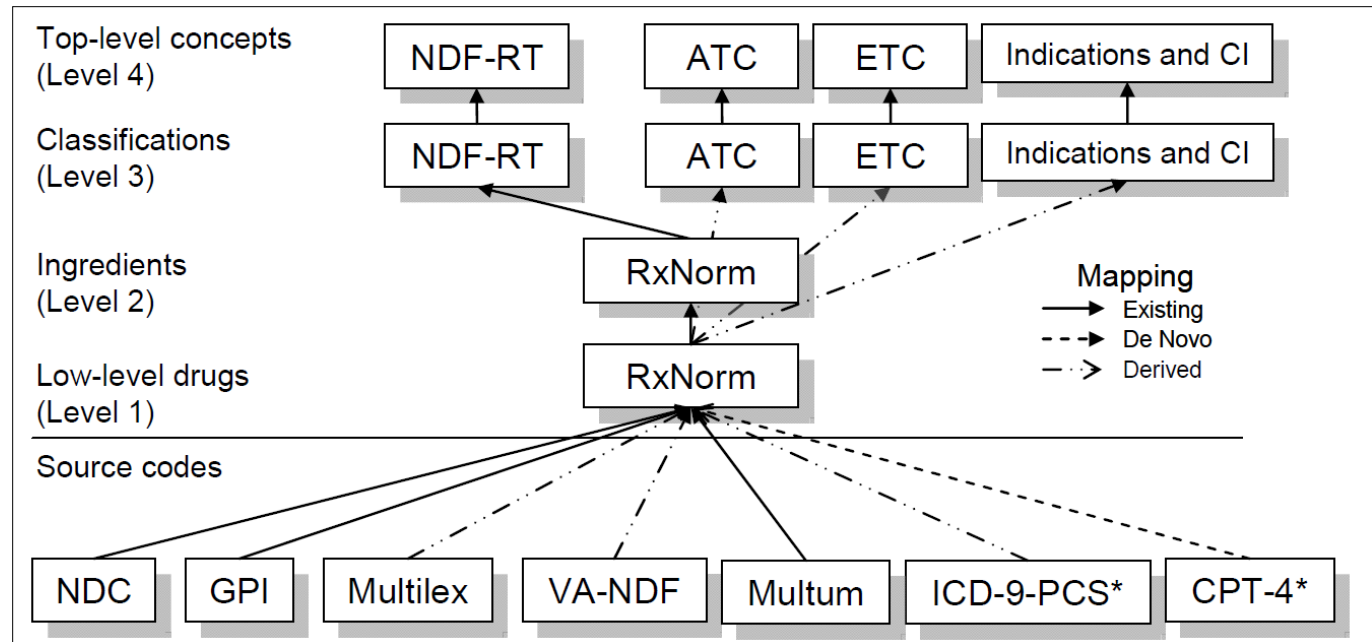
Epistaxis (disorder)

Standardizing terminologies to accommodate disparate observational data sources

Standardizing conditions:



Standardizing drugs:





Data Quality in Electronic Health Records

- Data collection tools optimized for efficiency
 - Text templates
 - Copy/paste
- Minimal data validation checks
 - Min/Max limits
 - Pick lists
 - Required fields
- **Even “simple” stuff has problems**

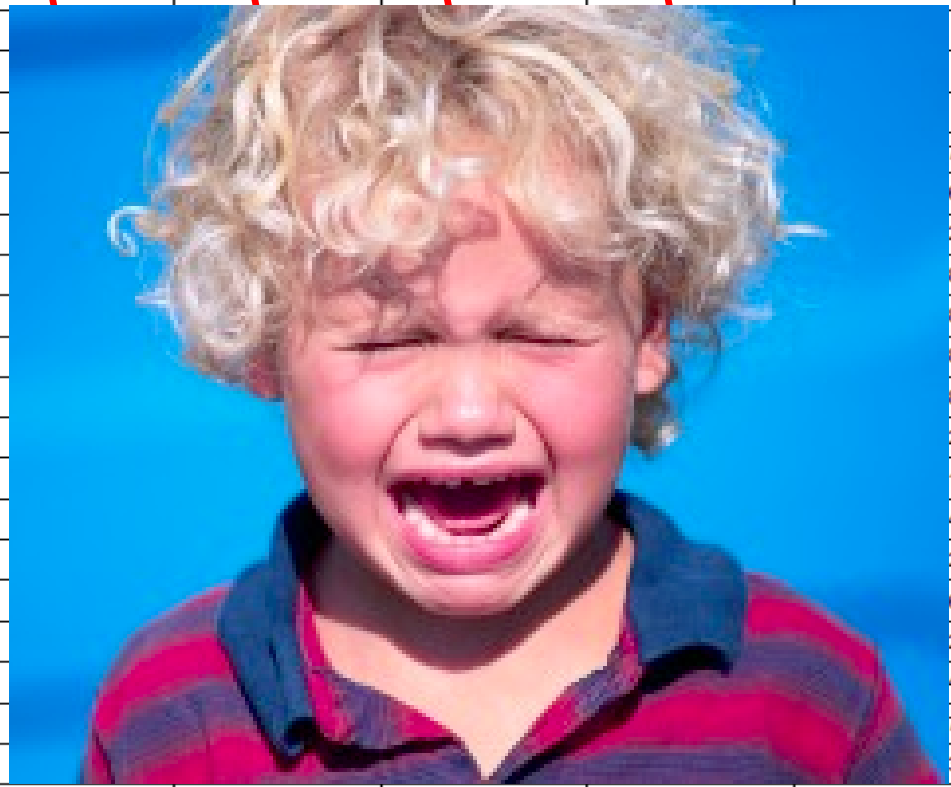




A trivial example: Martial Status by Age

It's tough being 6 years old in Denver.....
Would these results be worrisome?

	Total	Divorced	Legally Separat	Married	Significant othe	Single	Unknown	Widowed
Total	423,508	33	3	1,606	81	420,944	830	11
	70	0	0	0	0	70	0	0
-16.00	2					2	0	0
-15.00	1					1	0	0
-8.00	1					1	0	0
0.00	768					768	0	0
1.00	13,660					652	5	0
2.00	21,350					290	25	0
3.00	24,960					885	31	0
4.00	27,861					806	32	0
5.00	29,933					889	24	0
6.00	30,932					810	40	0
7.00	27,381					268	46	0
8.00	24,198					124	31	0
9.00	22,522					448	35	0
10.00	20,283					231	22	0
11.00	18,705					659	16	0
12.00	17,340					296	19	0
13.00	16,510					470	17	0
14.00	15,792					761	15	0
15.00	15,354					302	21	0
16.00	15,474	2	0	19	1	15,439	13	0
17.00	15,208	1	0	9	0	15,181	17	0



Should we be worried?

- No
 - Large numbers will swamp out effect of anomalous data or use trimmed data
 - Simulation techniques are insensitive to small errors
- Yes
 - Observed site variation may be driven by differences in data quality, not clinical practices
 - Genomic associations look for small signals (small differences in risks) amongst populations

“Big Data” and “Big Data Analytics”



Data Scientist: *The Sexiest People of the 21st Century*

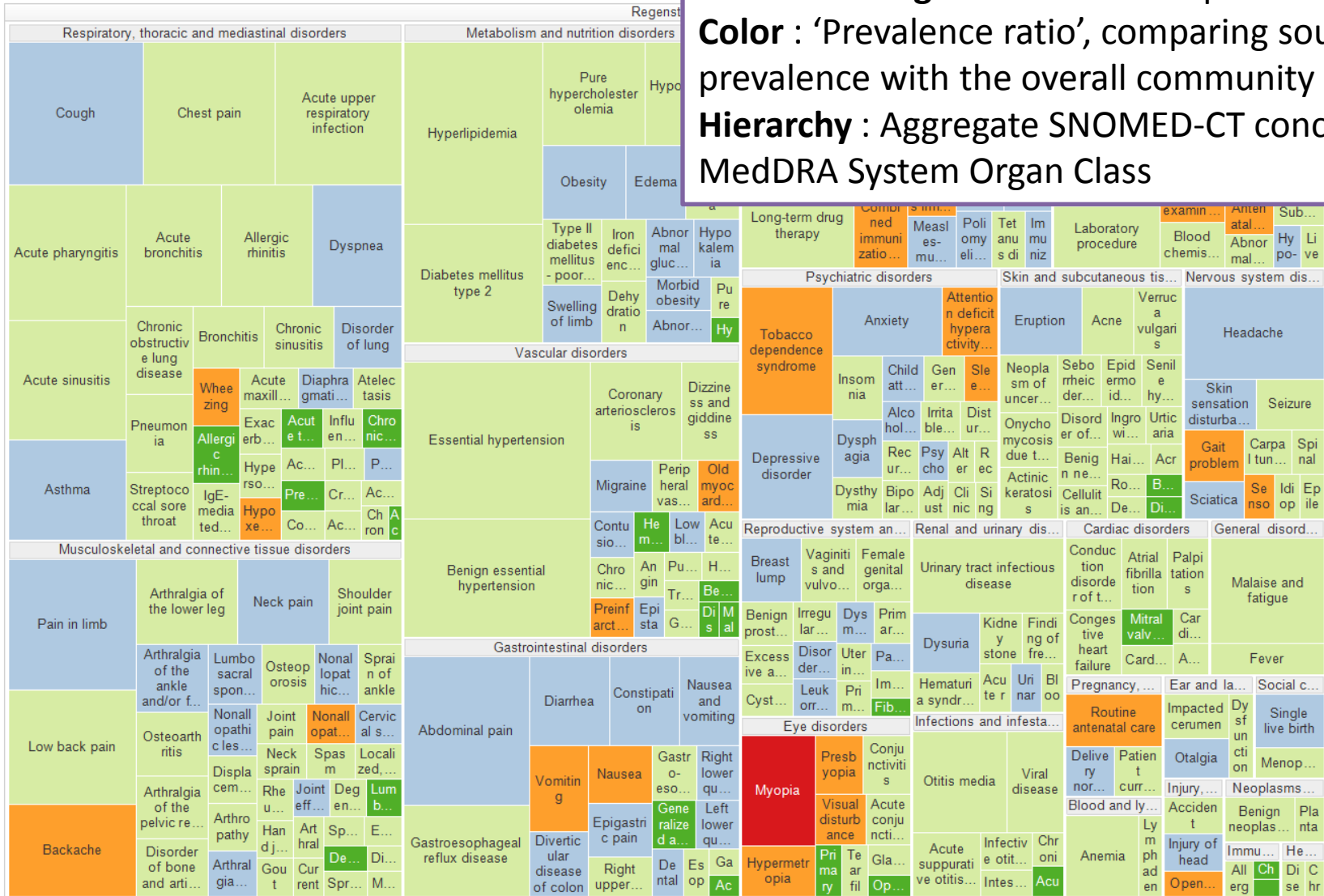
Meet the people who can coax treasure out of messy, unstructured data.

by Thomas H. Davenport and D.J. Patil

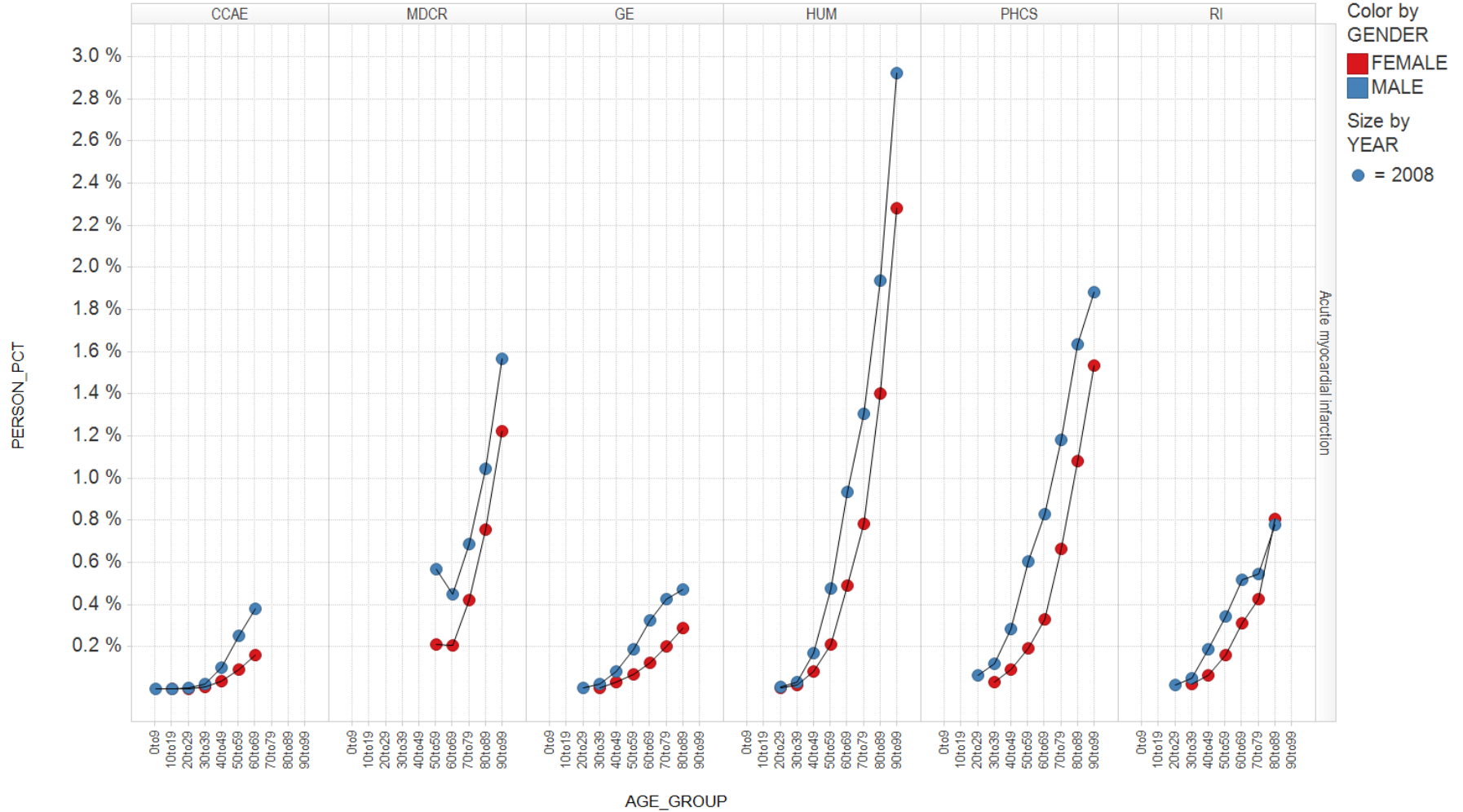
When Jonathan Goldman arrived for work in June 2006 at LinkedIn, the business networking site, the place still felt like a start-up. The company had just under 8 million accounts, and the number was growing quickly as existing members invited their friends and colleagues to join. But users weren't seeking out connections with the people who were already on the site at the rate executives had expected. Something was apparently missing in the social experience. As one LinkedIn manager put it, "It was like arriving at a conference reception and realizing you don't know anyone. So you just stand in the corner sipping your drink—and you probably leave early."

Exploring prevalence of all diseases

Treemap displays 3 dimensions:
Size of rectangle : Standardized prevalence
Color : 'Prevalence ratio', comparing source prevalence with the overall community average
Hierarchy : Aggregate SNOMED-CT concepts by MedDRA System Organ Class



Exploring prevalence of disease with standardize databases: ex: Acute Myocardial Infarction



The Tale of A Trivial Data Request

- The original data request:

“For an upcoming grant application, how many patients were seen recently with neurofibromatosis-1 (NF-1) and scoliosis?”

The Tale of A Trivial Data Query

- Getting more specificity:
 - “Recently seen” = an encounter of any type since 1/1/2012
 - NF-1: ICD-9 code starts with “237.7”
 - Scoliosis: ICD-9 code starts with “737.3”

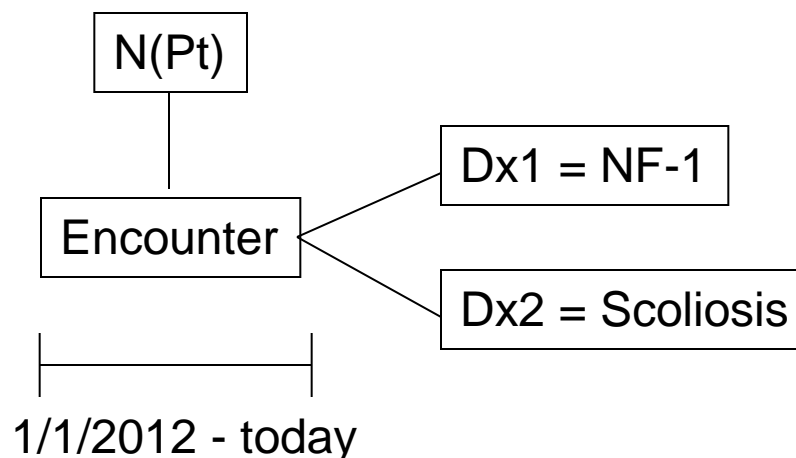
The Tale of A Simple Data Query

- First query result: $N = 15$

Clinical investigator did not believe this result even though we used her definitions.

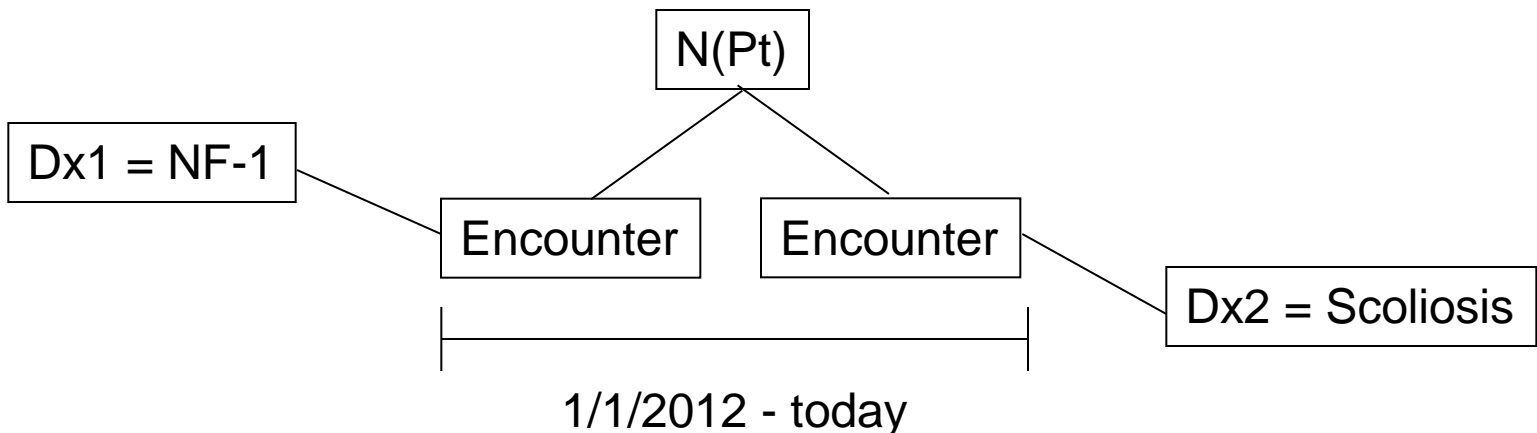
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- Drilling down:
 - This query required both diagnoses to be coded on the same encounter (event).



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- Second query:
 - NF-1 and Scoliosis diagnoses can be coded on different encounters, both within time window
 - N= 28



Investigator still did not like the answer!

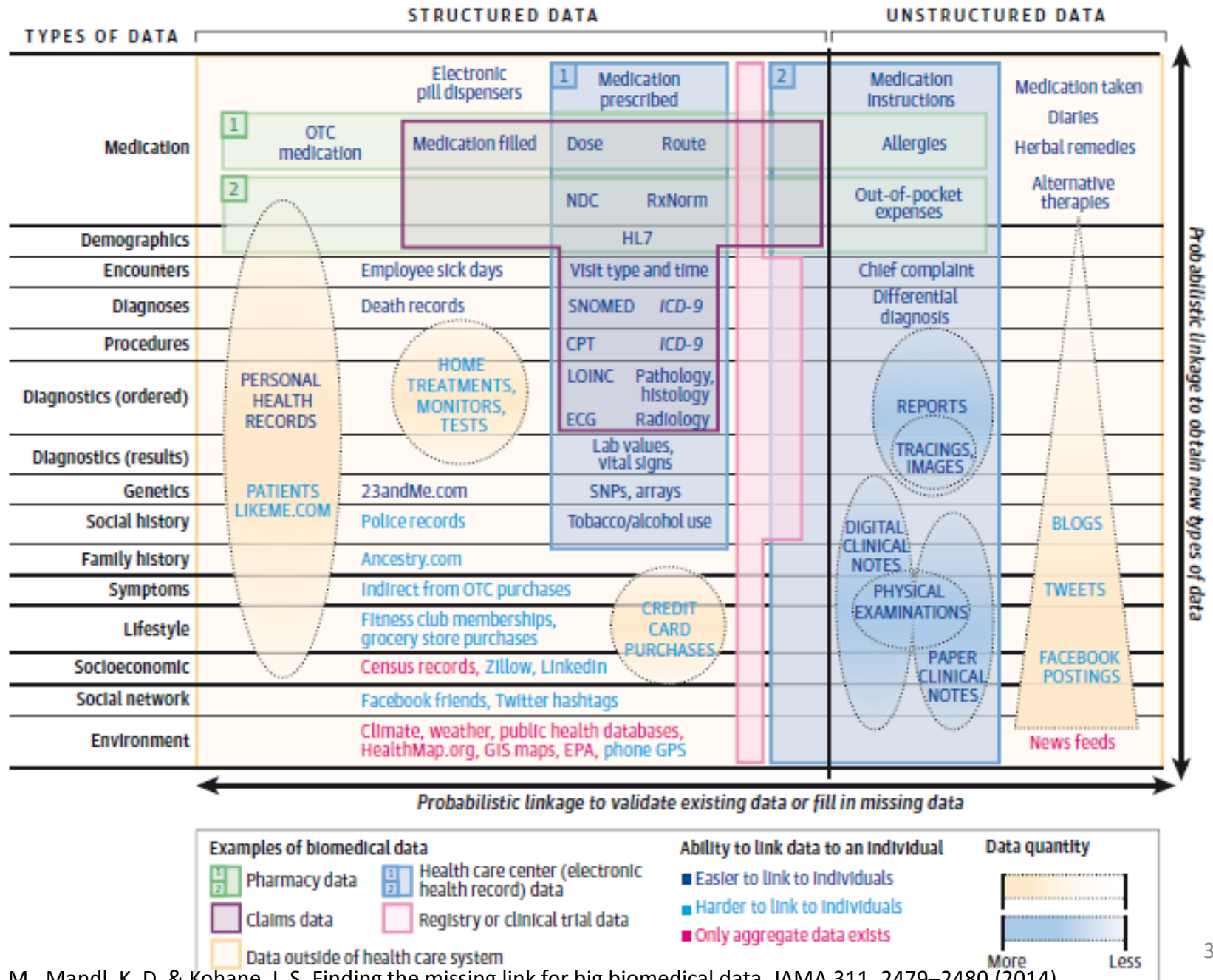
Table 1: Ten graphical diagrams representing the question: "How many ambulatory patients did I ("Provider = Kahn") see with diabetes mellitus (ICD-9 = 250.xx) and essential hypertension (ICD-9 = 401.xx) between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2009?" Each diagram, when converted into a database query, returns a different result. $N(Pt)$ = number of patients.

(A)		(F)	
(B)		(G)	
(C)		(H)	
(D)		(I)	
(E)		(J)	

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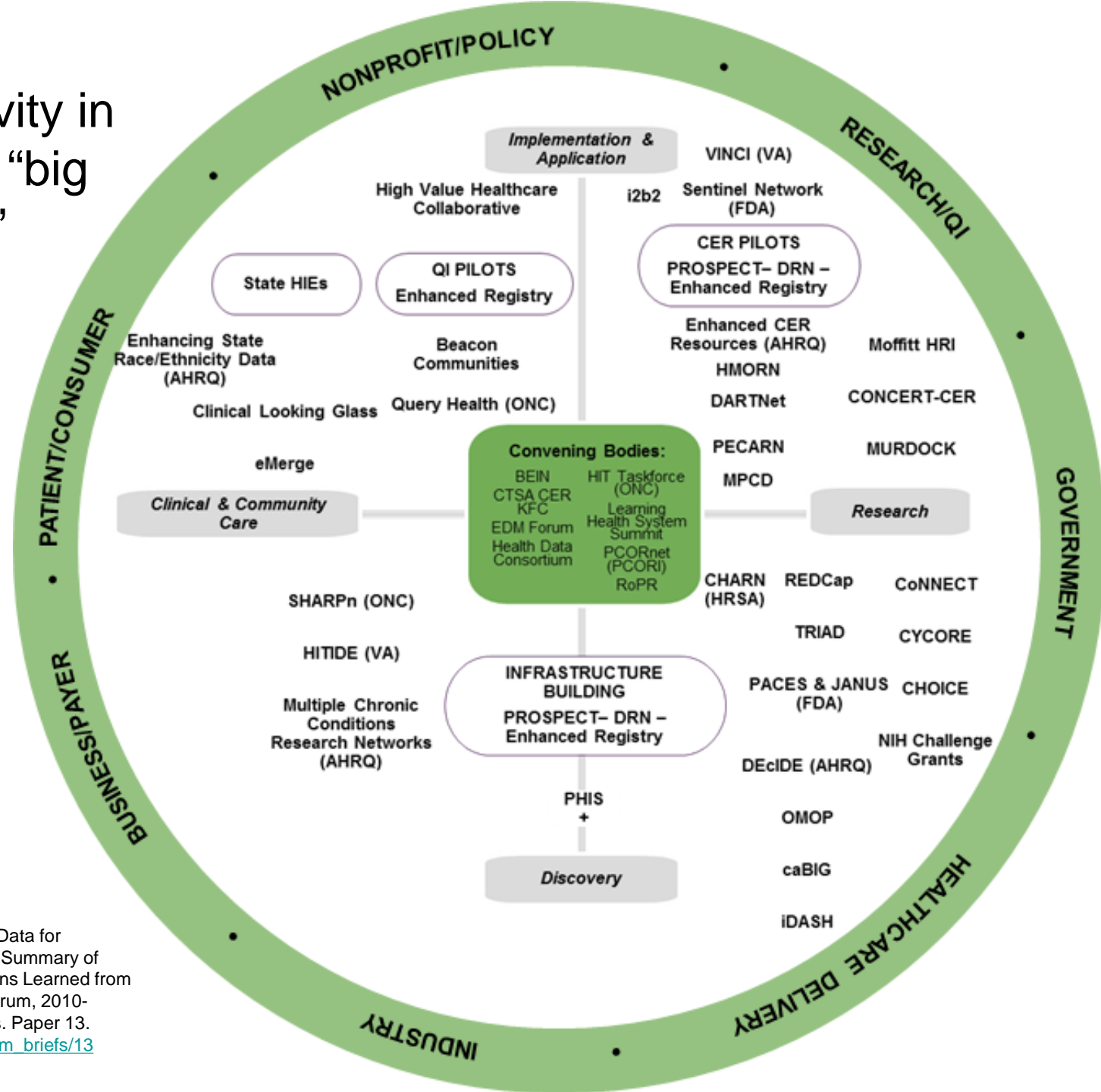
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Figure. The Tapestry of Potentially High-Value Information Sources That May Be Linked to an Individual for Use in Health Care



Probabilistic linkage to obtain new types of data

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