

CHIC-CDR

A repository for managing multi-modality clinical data and its application to *in-silico* oncology

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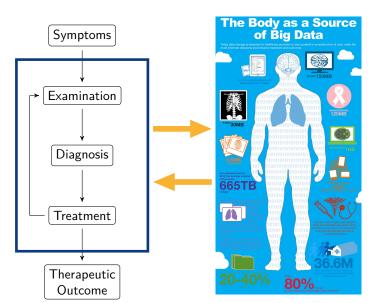
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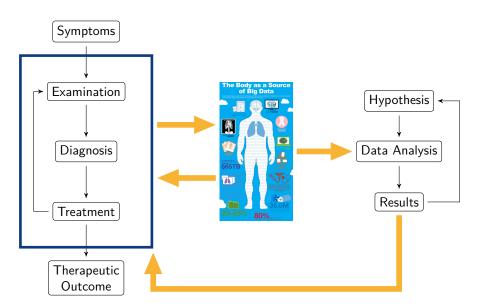




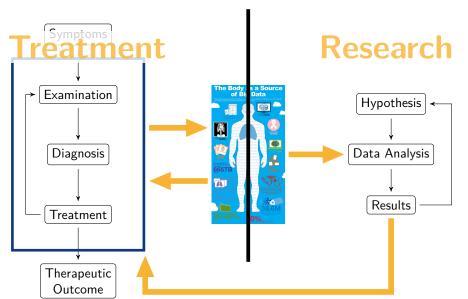














Data Sharing: Treatment vs Research

	Treatment	Research
Patient identification	yes	(pseudo-)anonymized
Access Control	+++	scenario-specific
Data Safety	+++	scenario-specific
Consent needed	n.a.	yes
Medical Device Cert.	scenario-specific	scenario-specific
Data selection	patient	patient characteristics
Search	patient history	cross-sectional & longitudinal
Importance of Quality	+++	+++
	but different criteria, scenario-dependent	

- Research comprises many different scenarios
- Data requirements differ across usage contexts
- Data sharing for treatment and research challenging



Value of Sharing Clinical Data for Research

Data is prerequisite for quantititative evaluation

Clinical Practice

- Identification of best-practices
- Definition of standards of care

Scientific advancement.

- Enhanced understanding of disease progress & treatment
- Generation of new research questions
- Increasing reproduceability of research

Innovation

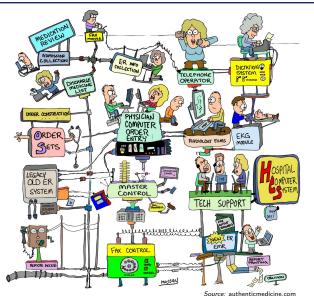
- Development of new diagnostic/treatment tools & methods
- Validation & Improvement



- Ethical & Legal
 - Data protection legislation prescribes rules for dealing with personal data
 - Different forms of "consent" handle breaches of privacy & confidentiality
- Heterogeneity of systems & formats
 - Different vendors use different standards
 - Different implementations of same standard
 - Syntactic interoperability: technical (in)compatibilities
- Diversity of practices & insufficient documentation
 - Implicit assumptions of contextual information
 - Documentation often not suited for automatic processing
 - Semantic interoperability: (in)correct interpretation of information
- Lack of mechanisms to encourage data sharing



Dedicated Data Repositories for Research?



- HIS are complex
- Data spread over multiple systems
- Different primary tasks
- No integrated access

Need unique access point to relevant data.



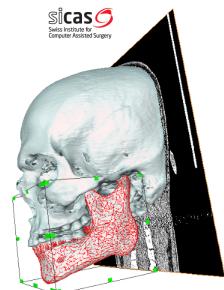
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SMIR – SICAS Medical Image Repository

Design Criteria

- Flexibility:
 - Custom folder-like structure for data organisation
- Accessibility:
 - Web browser & API
 - Controlled access, access levels set per data-set
 - Semantic search
- Standardisation:
 - File formats: DICOM, ITK images, CDISC, STL, Statismo
 - Public ontologies for semantic annotation







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- REST-API
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COmputer aided and image guided MEdical interventions

- Swiss "National Center of Competence in Research"
- Data repository for collaborative development of statistical shape models and surgical applications





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Swiss Institute for Computer Assisted Surgery

- Support platform for collaboration in translational R&D, education, technology transfer and innovation.
- Medical interventions, therapies and health care devices.







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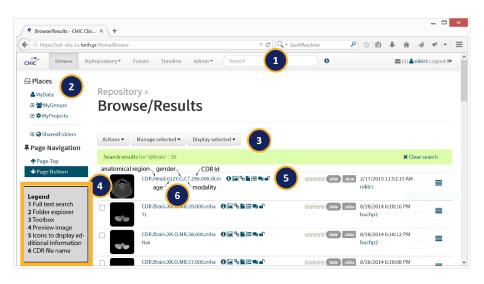


CHIC – Computation Horizons In Cancer

- EU FP7 "ICT Large-scale Integrating Project"
- ▶ Data repository for development of computational models in *in-silico* oncology



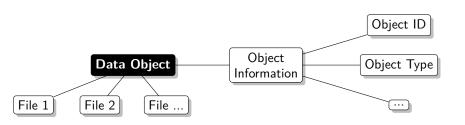






Object-based data model

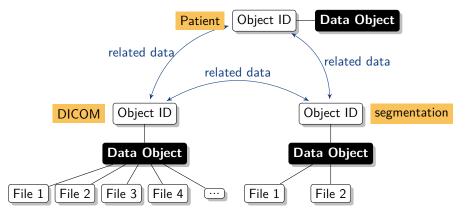
- No fixed schema everything is an "object"
- May contain multiple files (e.g. DICOM series, 2-file segmentation)
- Minimum set of additional object metadata





Related Objects

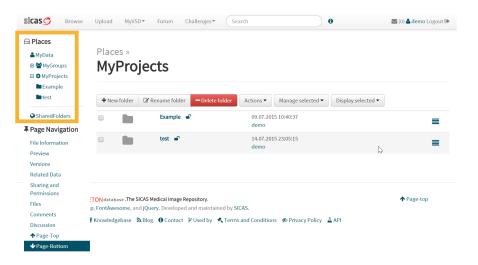
- Objects can be linked to other objects as "related data"
- Clusters intrinsically related information
- Same mechanism for grouping patient data





Custom Data Organisation

- User can group data in "folders"
- Custom organisation and sharing





- Permissions can be set per object
- Fine-grained access attributes per user, group or research unit

Permissions



Manage permissions

Remove selected

V – visit See summary information

R – read See all metadata information

D - download Download data

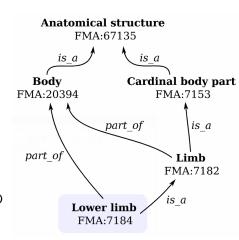
E – edit Edit data entry, i.e. metadata & files

M – manage Manage data relations, access rights, etc.



Multiple Search Mechanisms

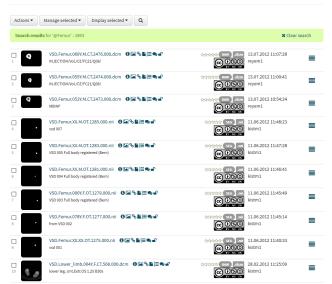
- Object ID
- Full text search in metadata
- Semantic search with ontology-based reasoning
 - Foundational Model of Anatmoy (FMA)
 - Other ontologies via RICORDO





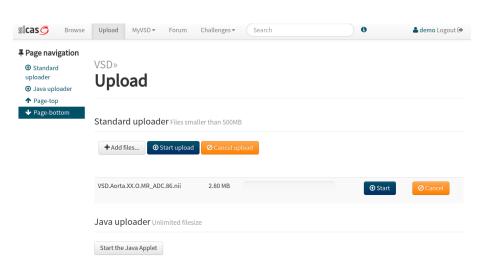


Browse/Results

















Benchmarking new algorithms

- Publish dataset & Task
- Evaluate submissions and rank participants
- Make raw data and results available to public





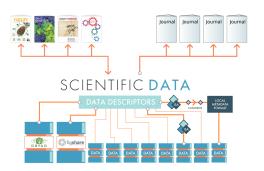
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Open Access data for reproduceable research

- Storage for data supplementing published articles.
- Article describes dataset, data analysis and results.
- Data publicly available to enable reproduceability of research.



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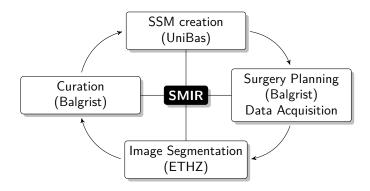


Source: Scientific Data Blog



Statistical Shape Modeling for surgery planning

- Research data shared with project collaborators
- Data processing results added & linked to raw data
- Results used for planning medical intervention







Data Repository for *In-Silico* Oncology

- Clinical data collected from multiple clinical partners.
- Shared for *research* with collaborators.
- Repository integrated into larger system
 - CHIC Data Protection Framework
 - CHIC Security Framework

Clinical DataRepository

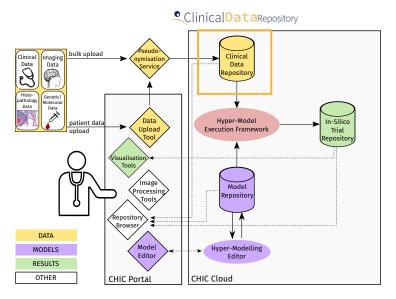






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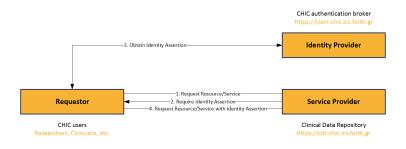






Deployment on CHIC Infrastructure

- Clinical Data Repository (CDR) running on CHIC cloud (FORTH)
- CDR integrated into CHIC security framework
 - Brokered authentication
 - Single Sign-On (SSO) through website (Shibboleth) and REST API (SAML)





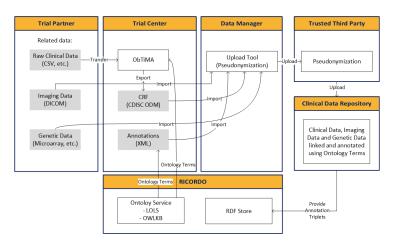


Data Type	Standard Format	Source
Clinical Data	CDISC ODM	ObTiMA
Imaging Data	DICOM, Metalmage, Analyze,NIfTI	local PACS
Genetic / Molecular Data	MINiML	platform specific
Histopathology	CSV, JPEG	platform specific









- Trial Center collects patient data from trial partners
- Trial Center uploads data to "Trusted Third Party" (TTP) (1st pseudonymization)
- TTP uploads data to CDR (2nd pseudonymization)



- CHIC infrastructure embedded in CHIC Data Protection Framework
 - Patients' informed consent and/or ethics board approval
 - Data de-facto anonymised (2 pseudonymisation steps)
 - Trusted Third Party (TTP) holds key for 2nd pseudonymisation step
- Data access and exchange by users subject to Annex C: "Access authentication form"

Contract between CHIC End User and Center for Data Protection (CDP)

Permissions







- Improved semantic annotation, auto-complete for multiple ontologies
- Using RICORDO http://www.ricordo.eu/service

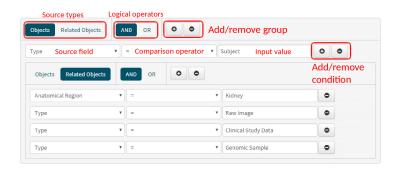






■ Identification of "complete" data sets for research

Find patients for whom we have imaging, clinical and miRNA nephroblastoma data





Data Repositories for *In-Silico* Oncology

Must-Haves

- Legal framework for data provision, use and sharing
- Programmatic access (including authentication)
- Auditing
- Strong search capabilities

Challenges

- Data curation
- Data granularity
- Bridging research and treatment scenarios



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- CHIC Clinical Data Repository is branch of SMIR: https://www.smir.ch/
 - Fine-grained access control
 - Flexible data structure for customisable organisation
 - Standardized formats & semantic annotation
- Adapted for in-silico trials:
 - Semantic search enables data discovery
 - REST-based API allows integration in web-service architecture
 - Auditing
- SMIR for your research?
 - Project-based collaboration
 - Demo at https://www.smir.ch/



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