

Genomics and Precision Medicine Clinical Reference Group (CRG)



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Clinical Reference Group (CRG) Scope



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SNOMED International strategy for Genomics

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SNOMED CT and Genomic Medicine

"Working together towards a common strategy"

Aim:

SNOMED CT: The global clinical terminology to support Genomic and Precision Medicine implementation. (Supporting clinical information to the Genomics community and detailed genomics information to the clinical community)





Strategy scope and purpose



Genomics promises to change the way that medical care is delivered across the globe. These changes will be delivered through the implementation of precision/personalized medicine. Discoveries within Genomics requires detailed health information to be made available to researchers, and in future the genomics community will supply actionable genomics-based guidance to be made available within healthcare institutions, and specifically within EHR systems.

SCOPE

The scope of the following strategy is to focus future developments of SNOMED International to ensure that the requirements for the global Genomics community are supported by SNOMED CT.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the following SNOMED International strategy, is to ensure that moving forwards, SNOMED International and SNOMED CT can support the needs of the global Genomics community, and to ensure that SNOMED CT can fully support the future global implementation of Precision Medicine.



Clarity of vision



- SNOMED CT will not look to include content from all Genomic terminologies, but rather to align to those with a clear link to clinical practice through the EHR
- SNOMED CT will look to leverage existing linkages between terminologies/classifications (both clinical and genomic) to enhance its usability
- SNOMED CT will look to develop relationships with terminologies and classifications that will support the implementation of Genomics within SNOMED CT
- SNOMED CT will look to adopt new clinical language and clinical definitions arising from Genomics, and reflect these changes within the descriptions included within the International release, when there are clear use case requirements to do so

Patient journey in Genomic Medicine





- Individual genomic data
- Accurate clinical data
- Alignment to the existing body of knowledge



Mattick JS, et al. *The impact of genomics on the future of medicine and health*. Med J Aust. 2014 Jul 7;201(1):17-20.

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Where does SNOMED CT fit into Genomic Medicine





SNOMED CT is well positioned to provide content in each of the four areas, **BUT** each terminology will have its own strengths and will support specific use cases. SNOMED CT must therefore look to collaborate with existing terminologies.

Technical Desiderata - Integration of Genomic Data into EHR's

- Used to advise on the direction of coverage of genomic data within SNOMED CT
 - Maintain separation of primary molecular observations from the clinical interpretations of those data
 - Support lossless data compression from primary molecular observations to clinically manageable subsets
 - Maintain linkage of molecular observations to the laboratory methods used to generate them
 - Support compact representation of clinically actionable subsets for optimal performance
 - Simultaneously support human-viewable formats and machine-readable formats in order to facilitate implementation of decision support rules
 - Anticipate fundamental changes in the understanding of human molecular variation
 - Support both individual clinical care and discovery science

Technical Desiderata for the Integration of Genomic Data into Electronic Health Records. Biomed Inform . 2012 June ; 45(3): 419–422. doi:10.1016/j.jbi.2011.12.005. The Technical Desiderata provides a framework for addressing the needs of Genomic data within EHR's. Whilst we are are not bound to them, we will look to shape future developments within this context



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Future SNOMED CT developments



- Fundamental SNOMED CT <u>will not</u> look to incorporate all Genomic content from existing genomic classification/terminologies. The requirements will be driven by discussions with the Genomics community
- Focus of developments based on Orphanet, HPO, OMIM and MONDO
- Review of existing SNOMED CT content, and authoring/updating of content
- Expansion of SNOMED CT concept model to support Genomics content
- Development of derivative products (maps) where there is a clear requirement to do so
- Working with HL7 to ensure SNOMED CT is represented within messaging protocols (HL7 FHIR)



Possible future state











Genomics and Precision Medicine CRG

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Clinical Engagement model









Clinical reference Groups (CRGs)



• Facilitate discussion between clinicians focused on specific clinical specialties or topic areas

- Provide a platform for clinicians to discuss with colleagues any questions, issues and experience relating to SNOMED CT and its implementation
- Dedicated Confluence area and zoom accounts
- Clinical community leadership
- Open to all, input not limited to just clinicians from the clinical specialty
- Input from SNOMED CT author and access to SNOMED CT change request mechanism where appropriate





What is the reality of CRG's?



CRG's provide the following:

- A framework for multi-disciplinary topic discussion and working across professions
- Global perspective, especially required for SNOMED CT international edition
- Access to expertise from all clinical domains
- A mechanism for different levels of engagement
- Access to discussions on clinical developments by other groups (e.g. implementers), to ensure that products are developed meet clinical requirements.
- Early identification of global changes to healthcare delivery



Clinical Project Groups and Editorial Groups



Clinical project groups

- Task and finish groups to address specific areas of clinical content agreed as part of work plan
- Review of existing content and identification of changes/additions to the international release
- International requirements, led by external SME
- Input from a SNOMED CT author

Editorial groups (where relevant)

• To provide editorial review of derivative products e.g. reference sets and maps



https://confluence.ihtsdotools.org/display/CP/Directory+-+Clinical+Reference+Groups









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- Leadership of CRG normally 2 persons from different backgrounds and parts of globe
- Key points for discussion
- Membership of CRG:
- > Organisations
- Individuals
- Key topics to start group
- > Ways of working:
- Confluence and zoom
- > Meeting schedule
- Group support



Precision Medicine

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Precision Medicine





Precision medicine is "an emerging approach for disease treatment and prevention that takes into account individual variability in genes, environment, and lifestyle for each person."



Precision Medicine Initiative



Where does SNOMED CT fit with Precision Medicine ?







- SNOMED International is looking to document and publish, where and how SNOMED CT can be used to support the implementation of precision medicine
- Forming a SME group to advise on the development of the document
- Timescale for group formation is by end of year
- Target date for publication April 2021

Next steps



Possible sections to be included in the document



- Provision of clinical data from genomic researchers
- Extension of clinical data in SNOMED CT where required
- Provision of metadata to support Genomic workflows within SNOMED CT
- Use of "mappings" between SNOMED CT and genomic terminologies
- Support for genomic researchers to define treatment algorithms using terminology/ontology principles
- Specification of treatment algorithms using SNOMED CT
- Incorporation of treatment algorithms in decision support systems





ORPHANET project

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Project summary



- Collaboration between SNOMED International and INSERM (Institut national de la santé et de la recherche médicale - French National Institute of Health and Medical Research
- Started in 2015.
- Focus a map between SNOMED CT and a priority set of Rare Diseases in Orphanet
- Creation of content in SNOMED CT where a gap identified and subsequent map
- Requirement for validated definitions for
 Orphanet content essential for hierarchy
 positioning in SNOMED CT and therefore analytics.

Where are we now?



- Completed agreed content work
- > 3,533 new Rare Diseases added
- Map produced and quality assured
- > 5,690 maps
- Exact matches semantically
- Alpha release of SNOMED CT to Orphanet map, May 2020 based on January 2020 releases
- SNOMED CT RF2 format
- Spreadsheet format
- Feedback on Alpha release invited to end November 2020.

Next steps



- Collate feedback on quality issues related to the map
- Agree work to be done to update to July 2021
 release of SNOMED CT and Orphanet (same scope
 of content as Alpha release), including
 management of any inactivations
- Production release of SNOMED CT to Orphanet map
 October 2021
- Create maintenance and updating processes to produce an annual release of the maps, including how to prioritise the addition of content/maps not included in the released map



Annual release of SNOMED CT to Orphanet map for Rare Diseases

- > Updates based on changes in underlying terminologies
- Requirements from users

Proposal (for discussion by group):

- > Sub group of Genomics and Precision Medicine CRG
- > Identify gaps in map based on usage
- Include other stakeholders such as those responsible for registries
- Develop ways of collating requirements in conjunction with INSERM

Further work with INSERM



Working with the Genomics community



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GA4GH (Global Alliance for Genomics and Health)



Global Alliance

for Genomics & Health

Collaborate. Innovate. Accelerate.

The Global Alliance for Genomics and Health (GA4GH) is an international, non-profit alliance formed in 2013 to accelerate the potential of research and medicine to advance human health. Bringing together 500+ leading organizations working in healthcare, research, patient advocacy, life science, and information technology, the GA4GH community is working together to create frameworks and standards to enable the responsible, voluntary, and secure sharing of genomic and health-related data.

 Working directly with the clinical and phenotype workstream to ensure new global standards are included into SNOMED CT, and discussion and developments internationally include a SNOMED CT perspective





ISO TC215 SC1





Standardization of <u>computable data</u>, <u>information</u>, <u>and knowledge</u>, <u>including their</u> <u>representation</u> <u>and metadata</u>, for the application of omics, including but not limited to genomics, phenomics and proteomics to support human health and clinical research



HPO (Human Phenotype Ontology)

 Working to provide additional SNOMED CT concepts and development of a SNOMED CT to HPO map

OMIM (Online Mendelian Inheritance of Man)

• Working to provide additional SNOMED CT concepts and development of a SNOMED CT to OMIM map

MONDO

• Use of diagnosis definition to inform the enhancement of SNOMED CT disorder contents (concept model development)

Gene ontology

 Provision of linkages to assist genomic focused logical definition of concepts within SNOMED CT

Genomic terminologies



Phenotype authoring project



Phenotype authoring project



Authoring of clinical phenotypes



- Project due to complete in February 2021
- Authoring is being undertaken by external contractor
- 4,000 concepts
- All modelled and aligned to the July 2020 release
- Quality assurance is being undertaken by SNOMED International authoring team
- Published in the community area, with its own moduleId
- Will deliver a considerable addition of content which is focused on specific clinical specialist areas



Future phenotype content developments

- SNOMED CT EXPO 2020 Virtual Conference October 8-9
- 4,000 concepts will align with future work with HPO and OMIM
- Will be included in the scope of any future mapping work with genomic terminologies
- Publishing in the community area will provide a mechanism for community review and feedback on the content
- Future content development will build on the experience of this initial project, and may well include a larger group of genomic/phenotype related content based on use case requirements







Getting involved







"Getting involved"

Discussion

- What are the next steps ?
- Formation of the CRG ?
- Identification of a chair for the group ?
- Meeting schedule ?
- Initial topics for discussion







