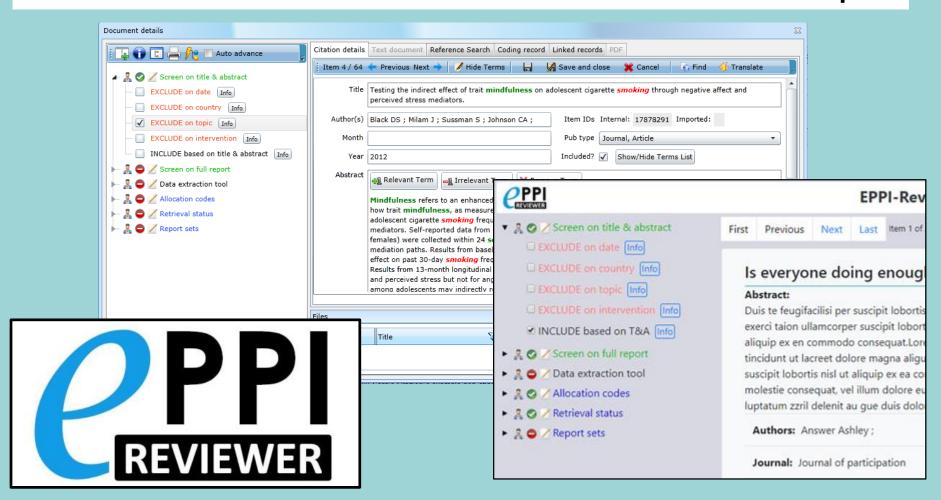






Melbourne 2018

EPPI-Reviewer: EPPI Reviewer Workshop







Declaration of interests and funding

- I'm the IT manager (and developer) at the EPPI-Centre, UCL Institute of Education.
- EPPI-Reviewer is the EPPI-Centre's online tool for research synthesis.
- We have an active collaboration with the Campbell Collaboration (Evidence maps).
- EPPI-Reviewer is available, free of charge for all Campbell reviews.
- I am not aware of any actual or potential conflict of interest in relation to this presentation.



Aims of workshop

- Understand the basic approach we take in writing our software.
- See directly (hands-on) how this affects functionalities and flexibility.
- Get an idea of the main functionalities and "where is what".
- Overview of evidence gap maps.

Not in the agenda:

- Describe all features (would take days).
- Detailed how-to (too much to remember).





Introductions

- A bit about myself.
- Why are we here?
 - To decide which tool to use?
 - To use EPPI-Reviewer better?
 - Have you used it already?
 - Do you have an EPPI-Reviewer account?





Who we are: EPPI-Centre

Conducting reviews since 1993
e.g. in health promotion,
education, social care,
employment

Support for review groups: Education (25 groups, 70+ reviews), criminology, speech and language, social care

Tools: EPPI-Reviewer and connected services.

Formal links with Cochrane and Campbell Collaborations

Methodological work, e.g.

Methods for Research Synthesis Project
ESRC National Centre
for Research Methods

On-line libraries of research evidence

Short courses and Masters level courses in research synthesis





Your Everyday Software...







EPPI-Reviewer









GP software



Comfortable and safe

Process-oriented

Low entry barriers

Fixed itinerary

EPPI-Reviewer



Extremely versatile

Cutting edge abilities

Always pushing the boundaries

Not built for comfort



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The EPPI-Reviewer environment:

EPPI-Reviewer 4 gateway (http://eppi.ioe.ac.uk/cms/er4)

- Access to all Applications & Tools.
- Create Accounts.
- Latest Manual.
- Support Forum.
- Utilities.
- Manage reviews.
- Help, Videos, FAQ and more.







EPPI-Reviewer Concepts

- 1. Bird's eye: how it works.
- 2. In transition: EPPI-Reviewer and the **New Coding App**.
- 3. Visual Organisation, where things are and why.
- 4. Main concepts: how it handles your data.
- 5. Very quick run through some of the features.

http://eppi.ioe.ac.uk/eppireviewer4/

http://eppi.ioe.ac.uk/eppireviewer-coding/







(Main) EPPI-Reviewer: How it Works

- 1. Silverlight Web Application
- 2. Runs on the Desktop (?)
- Data comes from central server
- 4. Concurrent use:
 - Data is saved in real time
 - 2. Last change is retained
- 5. Safety:
 - 1. Encrypted communication
 - 2. Backups
 - 3. Error Messages

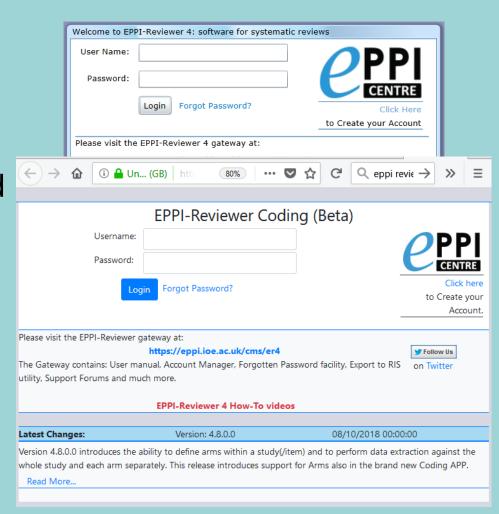






EPPI-Reviewer Coding App

- 1. Native Web Application
- 2. Accesses the same data
- Runs on any device
- 4. Allows to do screening and basic data extraction
- Requires to set up the review on the main EPPI-Reviewer interface (for now).
- 6. Will be expanded and eventually replace the Silverlight-based UI.



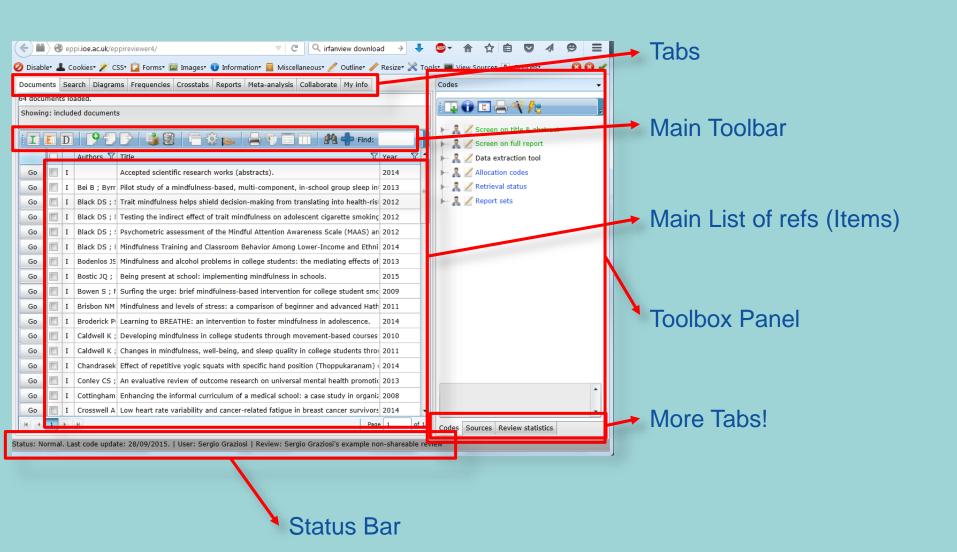








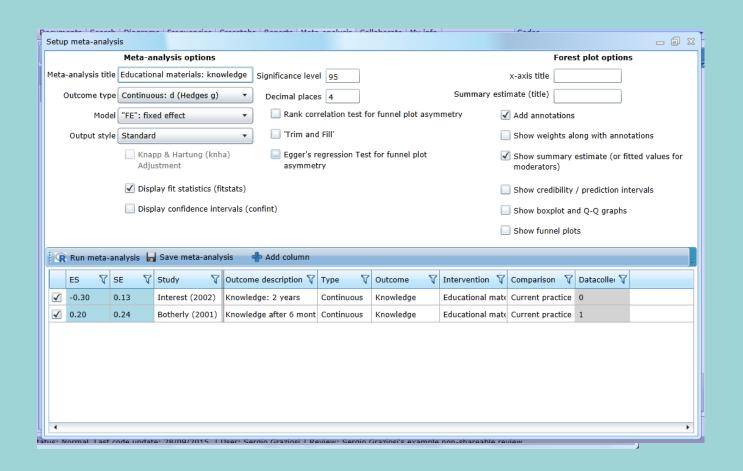
EPPI-Reviewer the User Interface (UI)







EPPI-Reviewer UI: Windows





EPPI-Reviewer: Main concepts

- 1. Conceptual Phases:
 - a. Import Primary Data
 - b. Create new Results
 - c. Export Results
- 2. Design/Use principles:
 - a. Maximise Flexibility
 - b. Usability Vs. Power
 - c. Enhance user friendliness

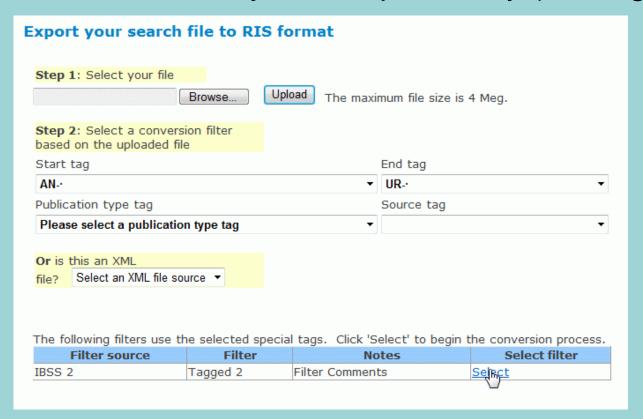






Main concepts: Import Data

Flexibility! RIS export Utility (in the gateway).







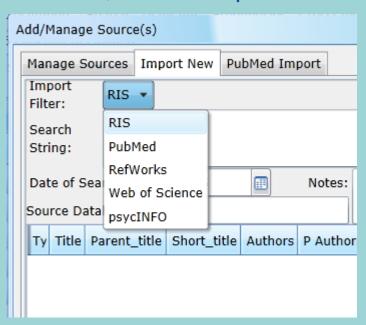




Main concepts: Import Data

User Friendliness

Selected, built-in Import Filters



Direct import from PubMed

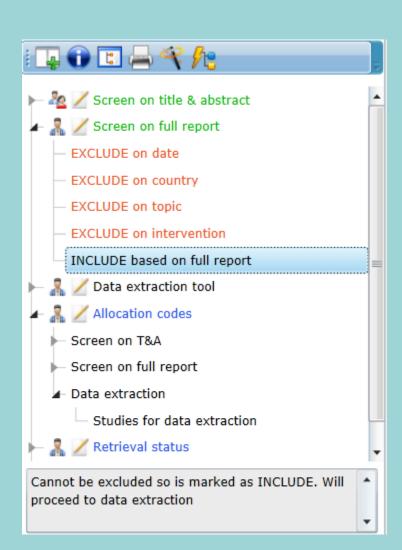
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Flexibility!

- User-designed Code-trees of hierarchical concepts
- Predefined specialised
 Meaning for Different trees
- Predefined special Meaning for nodes within trees
- Specialised activity-based behaviours

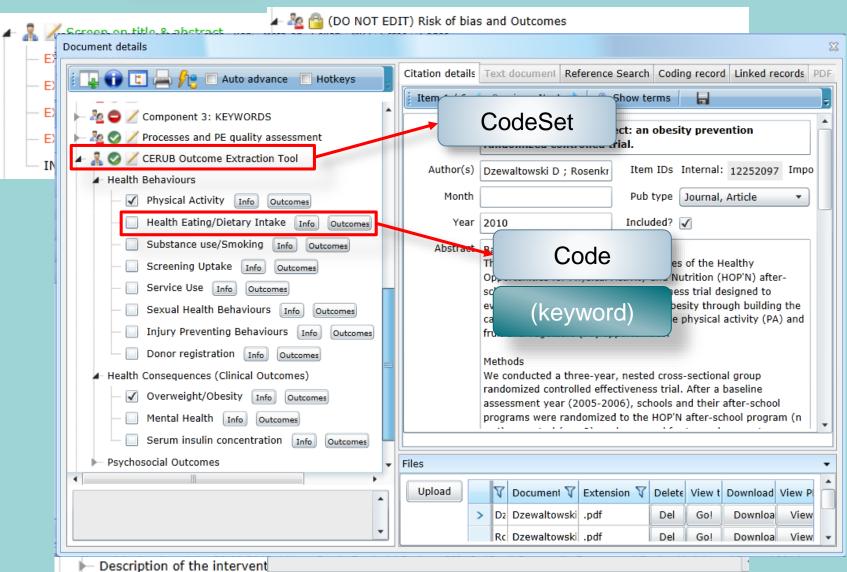


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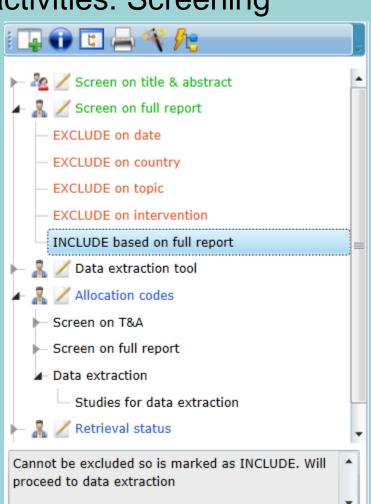






Codesets types support different activities: Screening

- Screening Codesets (green).
- One level only
- Contain two types of codes
 - "Include"
 - "Exclude" (red)
- These properties facilitate activities:
 - Reconcile differing choices
 - (semi) automation
 - Machine Learning to facilitate the process

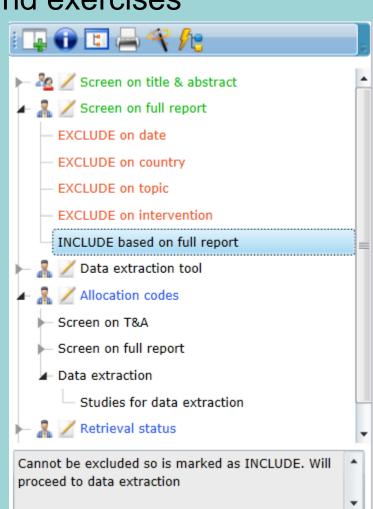






Codesets control double blind exercises

- Standard (black) & screening Codesets can be placed in comparison mode (CM).
- In CM, assigning codes to items makes the "coding" incomplete (private)
- Comparisons will identify disagreements and allow discussing / solving them.
- Coding gets completed and becomes "public" (per-item)

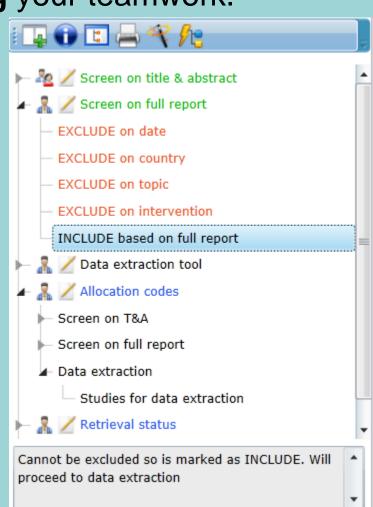






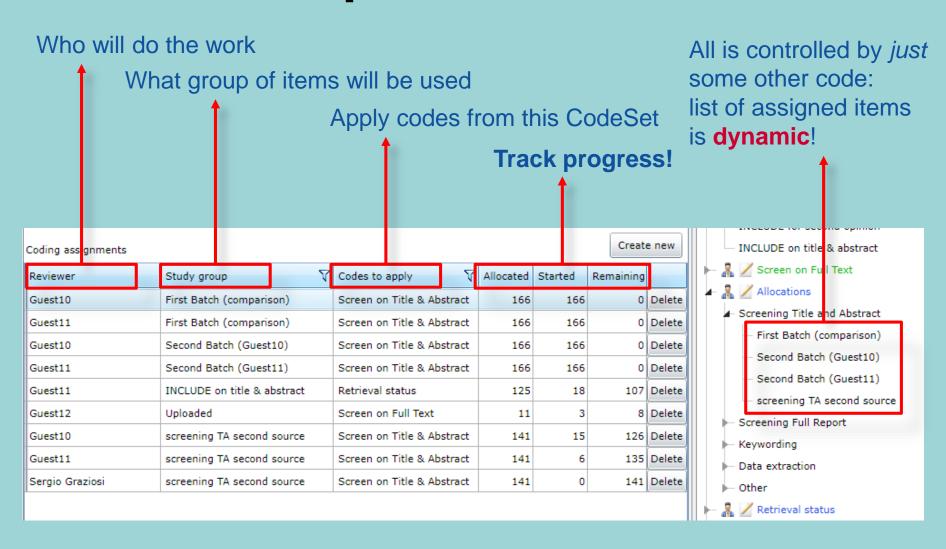
Codesets also help organising your teamwork.

- Administration (blue) Codesets can be used to create coding assignments (work allocations)
- Codes (any code) can be associated to work allocations, providing access to a specific groups of items.
- Work allocations track progress, in combination with "coding-only" role, they can also restrict what users can do.







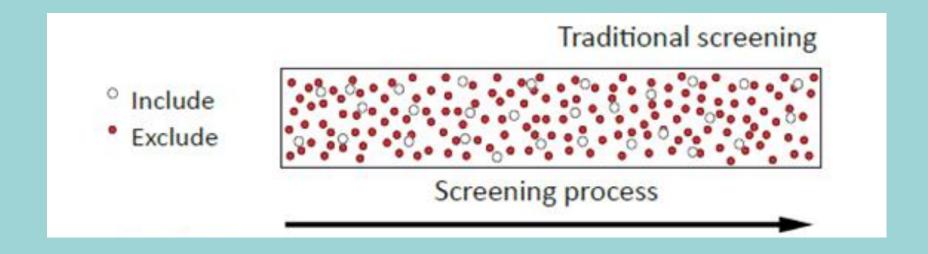








Priority screening.





Ready for some Hands-On?

- Early Stage Review:
 - Screening on T&A (priority screening).
 - Find Full text.
 - Start Screening on Full Text

Pre-Configured:

- Priority screening is ready to kick in (multiple people).
 Please select as "included" studies that mention "Prevention of Lyme disease".
- 1 Work allocation to 1 person to locate/upload FT documents.
- 1 Person can start screening on Full Text.



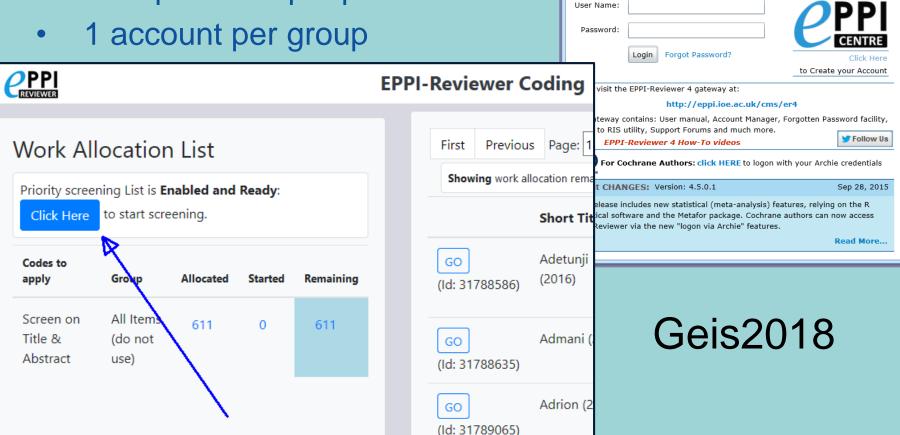


Welcome to EPPI-Reviewer 4: software for systematic reviews

Get your hands Dirty!

http://bit.ly/GES-ER

Groups of 2-3 people

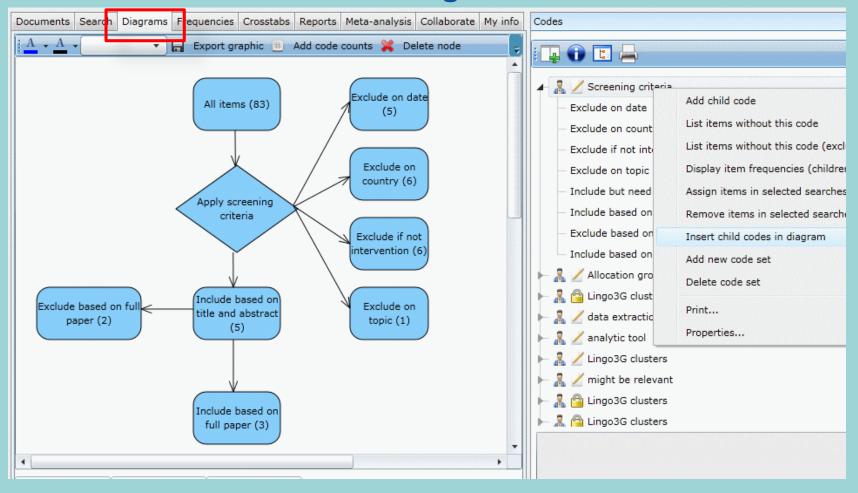






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Features we didn't cover: diagrams

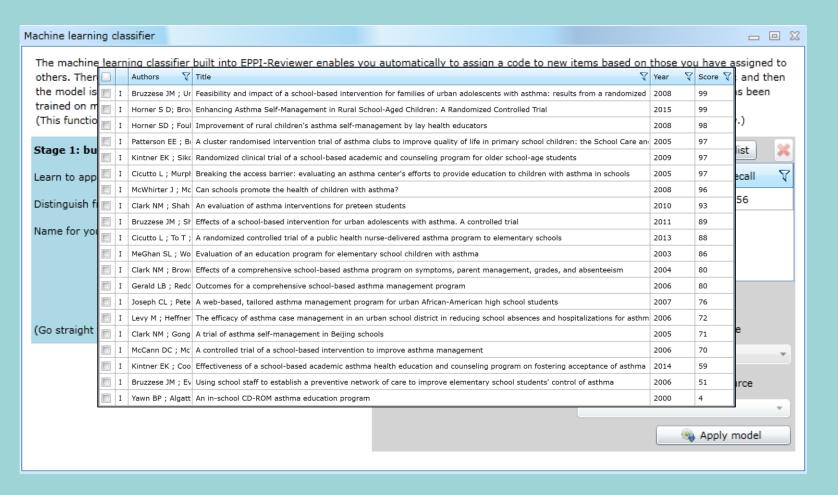






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Features we didn't cover: machine learning – RCT and more

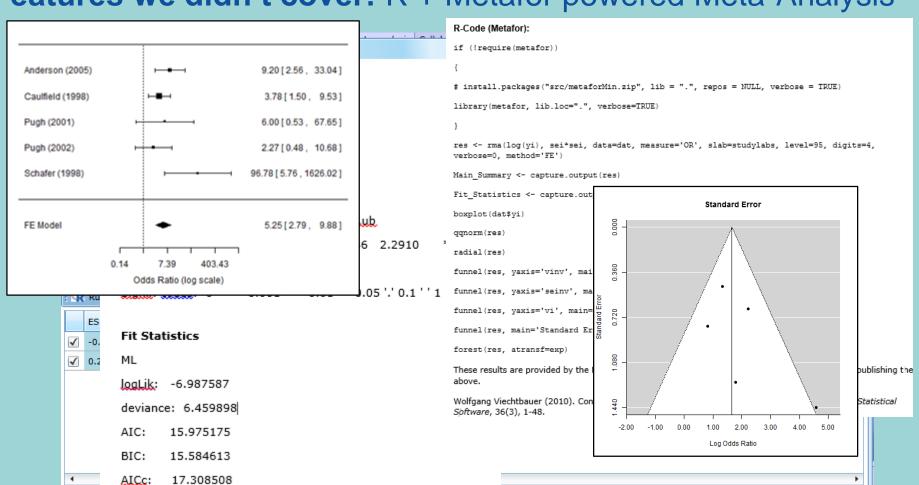






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Features we didn't cover: R + Metafor powered Meta-Analysis



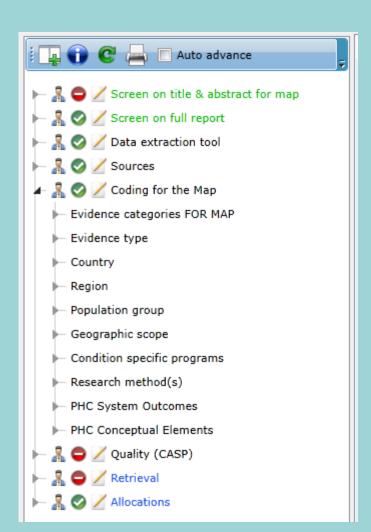






After EPPI-Reviewer... Evidence Maps

- Evidence (gap) maps developed with the Campbell Collaboration
 - Extract data using EPPI-Reviewer
 - Export using a coding report
 - Generate map using new mapping utility

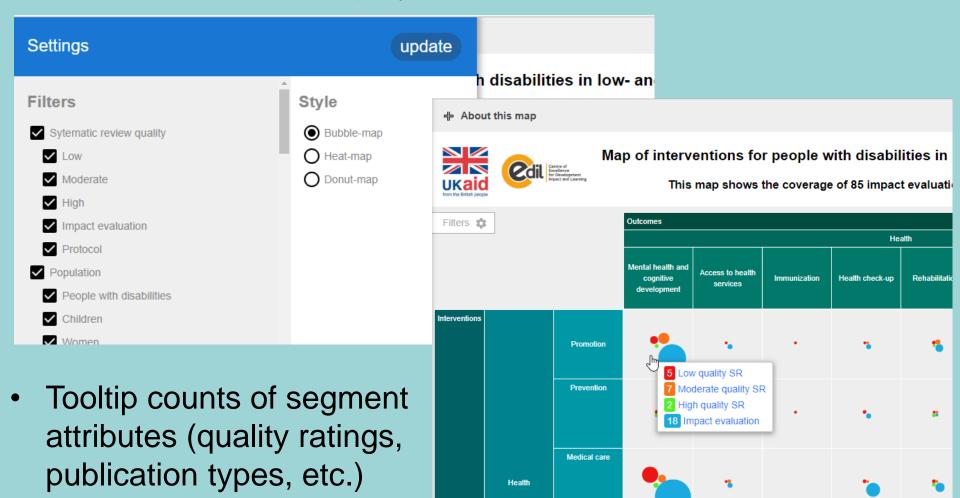






Evidence Maps

Filter the items to display





The future...

- EPPI-Reviewer 5, developed in collaboration with NICE:
 - Entirely new, uses a different database.
 - Being rolled out at NICE, specifically designed for their needs.
- Coding App will soon be promoted, we are actively expanding it:
 - Will gradually gain EPPI-Reviewer current functionalities.
 - Will contain new functionalities (sometimes exclusively).
- Data Services:
 - Search, data reuse, discovery of extracted data.
 - Semi automated data extraction from tables and plots.
 - Machine learning driven services (via API).
 - Based on Big(ish)-data approaches and technologies.





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