

## Harnessing Artificial Intelligence to Improve Patient Safety



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## Using AI to Identify Patient Safety Incidents by Type and Severity

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# The problem and the current solutions

## Patient safety incident report



ID		
Date	<i>Episode label X for patient X was placed incorrectly onto the specimen that belongs to patient Y</i>	
Time		
Incident type ?		
Severity assessment code ?		
contributing factors	actions taken	patient outcome
incident minimization factors	results of review	steps for prevention

## SAC Matrix

		CONSEQUENCE				
		Serious	Major	Moderate	Minor	Minimum
LIKELIHOOD	Frequent	1	1	2	3	3
	Likely	1	1	2	3	4
	Possible	1	2	2	3	4
	Unlikely	1	2	3	4	4
	Rare	2	3	3	4	4

Every incident assessed against the Severity Assessment Code Matrix should be scored separately for both their actual and potential consequence or outcome

By applying supervised ML methods based on NLP and text mining, we can:

1. Identify **10 primary patient safety incident types**;
2. Classify **four levels of risk** associated with incidents, Severity Assessment Code (SAC) categories

(i/ extreme; ii/ high; iii/ medium; iv/ low);

# The proposed AI algorithms

## Challenges

Unbalanced datasets with limited labels

Multiple types of incidents involved in an event

Incidents were implicitly described in reports

Fast movement with deep learning and LLMs

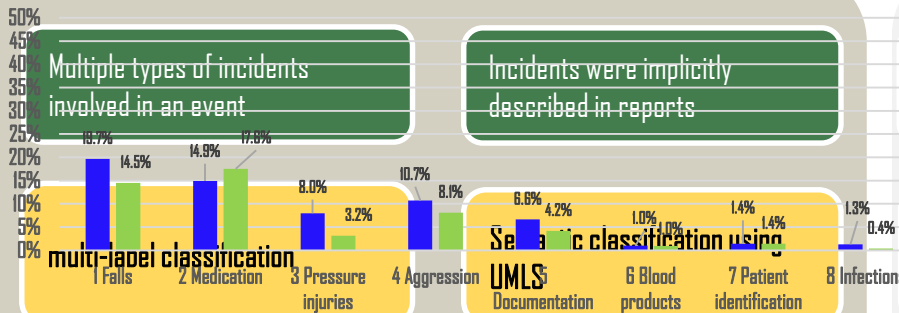
## Solutions

Stratified classifiers;  
Multi-class classification

multi-label classification

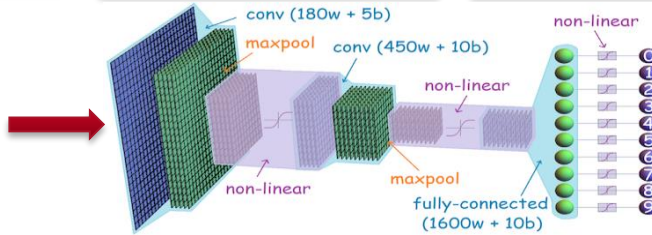
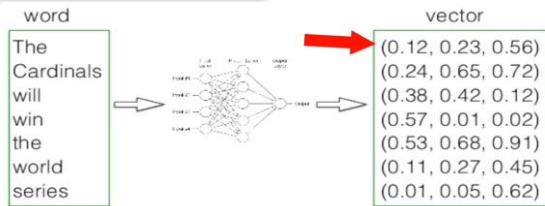
Semantic classification using UMLS

Neural network classification



Classic Machine learning

Deep learning



## Automating the Identification of Safety Events Involving Machine Learning-Enabled Medical Devices

Health data science and AI

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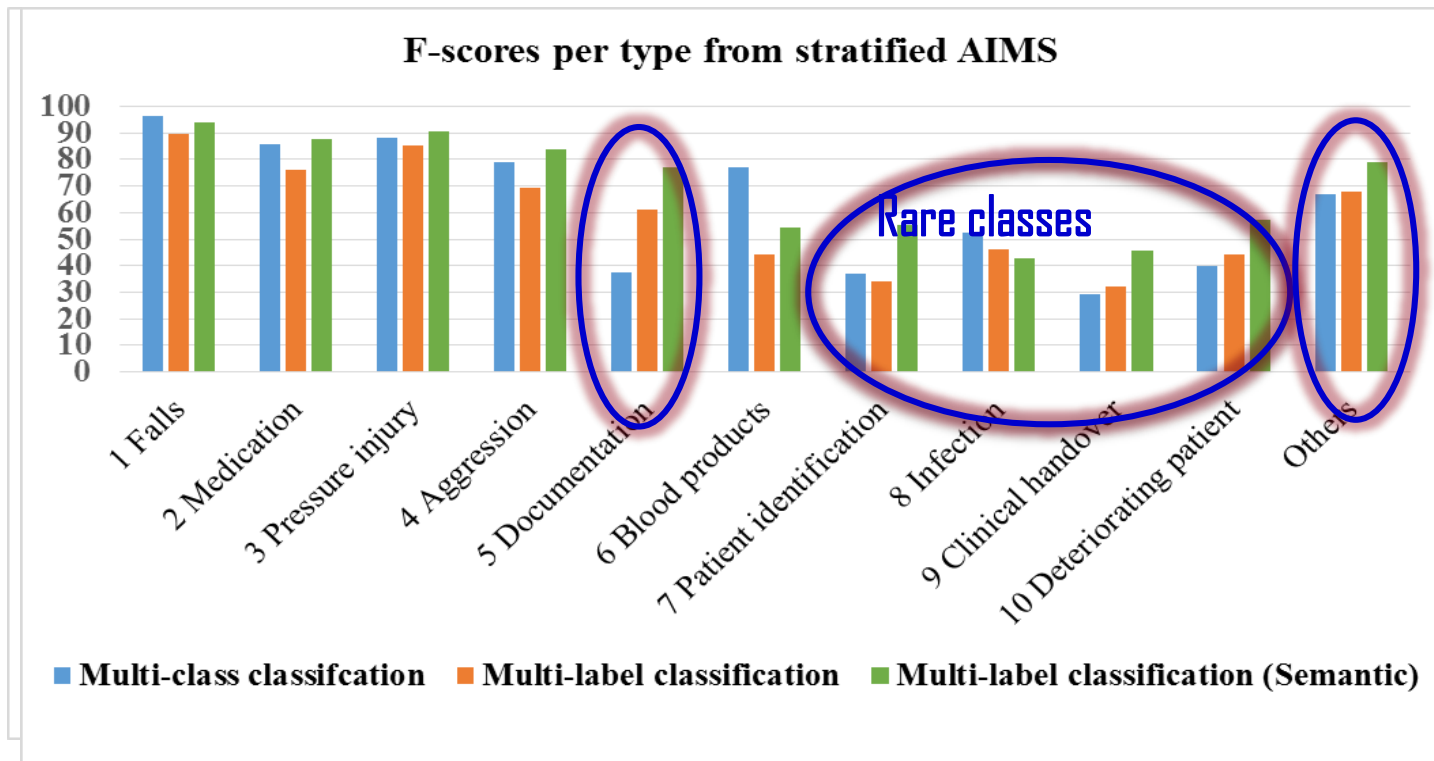
Looking ahead:

1. Evaluate the transportability of AI algorithms across various safety event reporting systems.
2. Ensure safe implementation and use of AI algorithms in real world settings.

# Algorithms evaluation across datasets and reporting systems



- Classic machine learning methods



# Algorithms evaluation

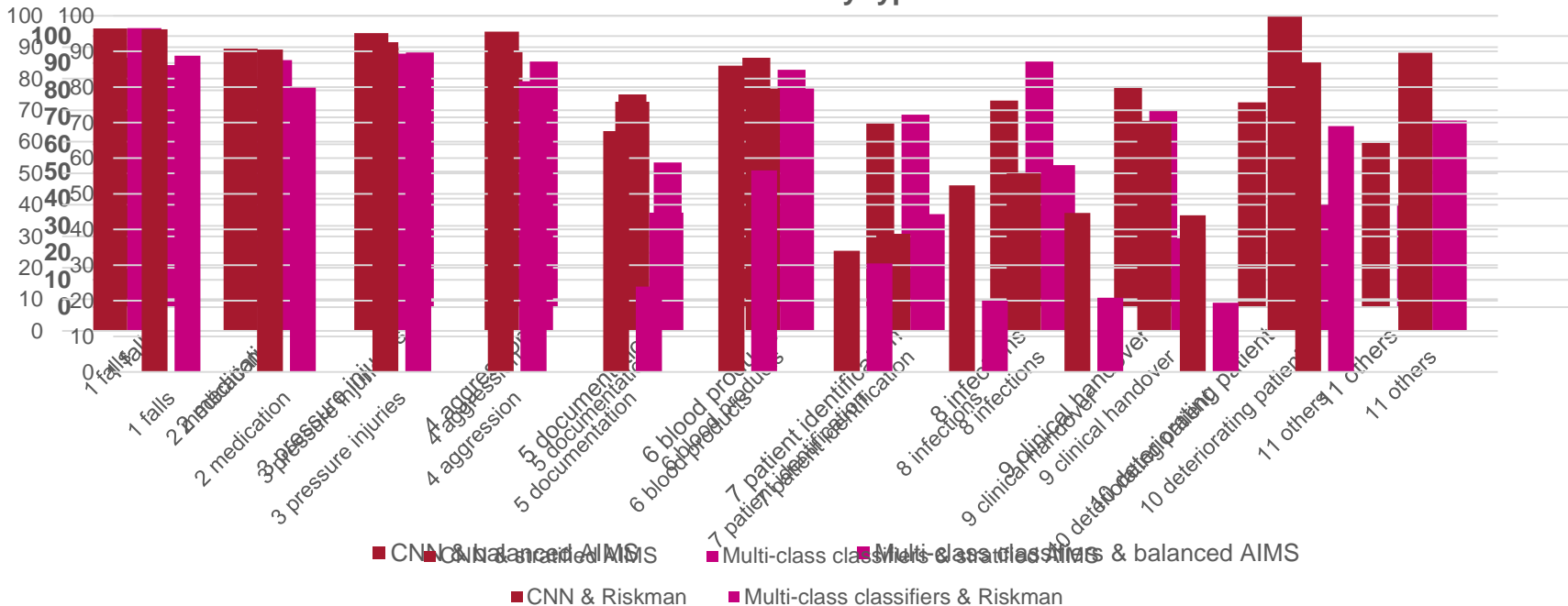
Deep learning vs Classic machine learning

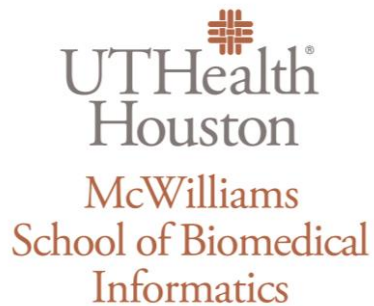


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F-scores by type





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## Leveraging FDA MAUDE Database To Identify Health IT Incidents

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## Learning from Health IT Events

### Definition of HIT

- Use of information and communication technology in healthcare to support the delivery of patient or population care or to support patient self-management.

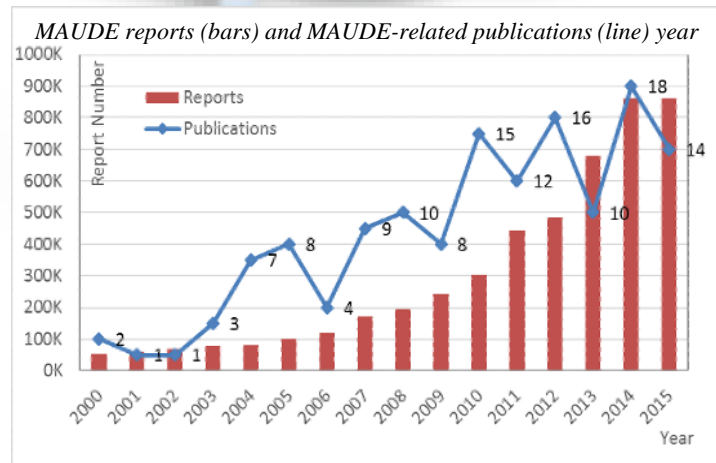
### Collecting HIT event reports is challenging

- Health IT errors could happen in any department
  - Medication events are involved with HIT
- Lacking identification strategy and reporting classifications

### MAUDE

- ~ 8,000,000 events involving medical devices.
- ~ containing 0.7% HIT

"THE ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORD PROGRAM EPIC FUNCTION OF AUTO-VERIFICATION MISSED THAT AN ORDER FOR PLAVIX WAS ALREADY ORDERED. THERE WERE TWO ORDERS FOR XXXX. THE DOUBLE ORDER WAS CAUGHT WHILE SUPPLYING DRAWER OF DRUGS FOR PATIENT. EVENT DID NOT REACH PATIENT."

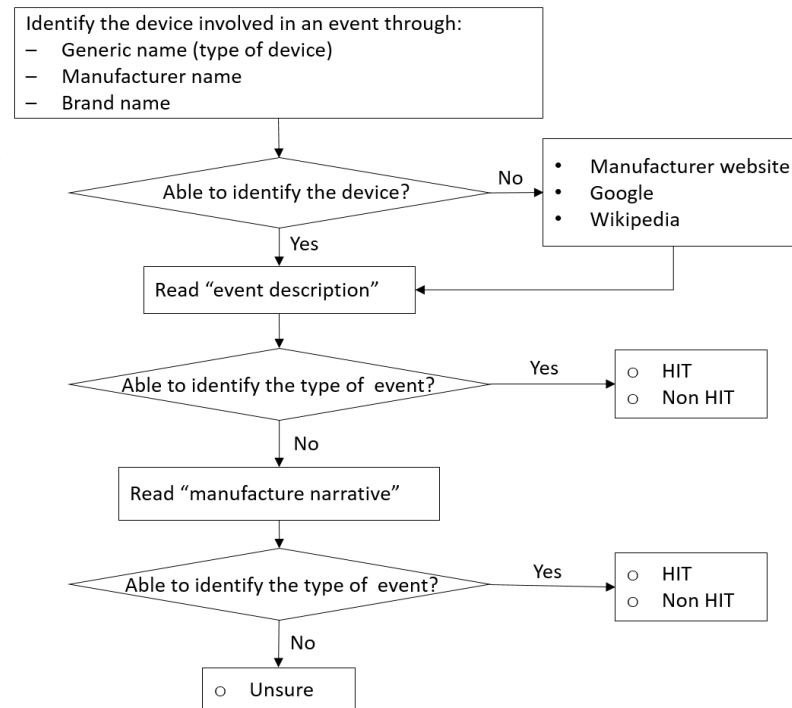
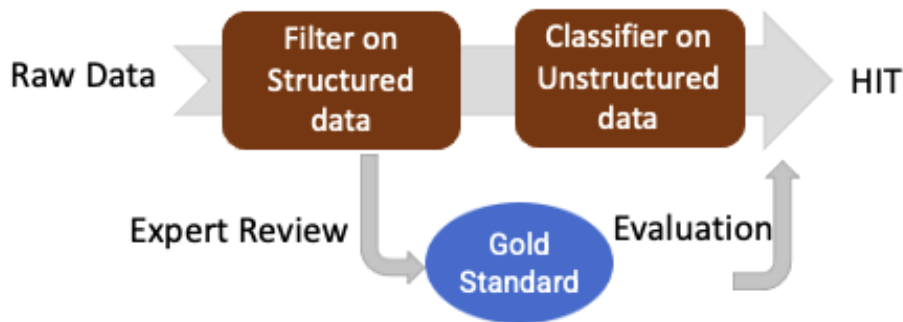




## Approaches to identifying HIT events from MAUDE

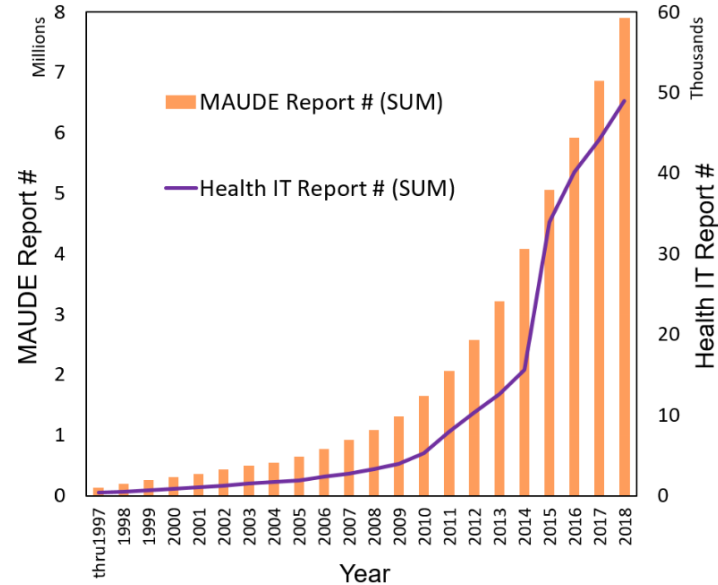
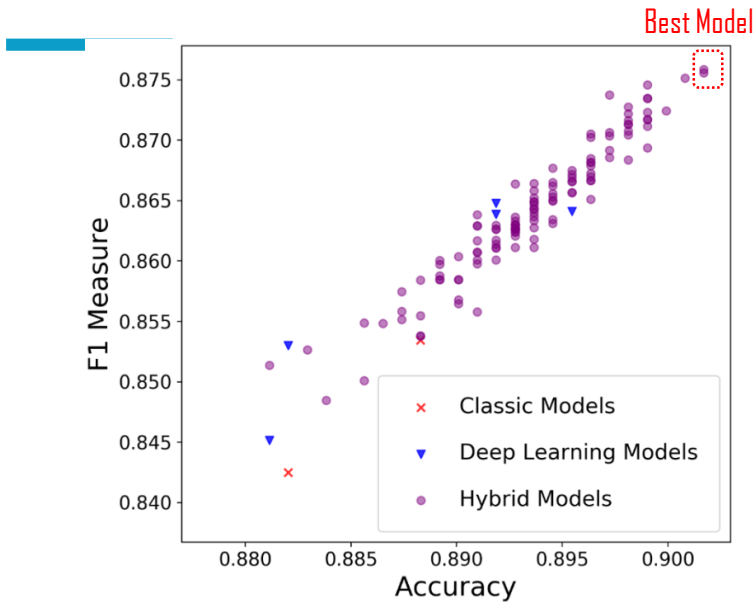
### NLP and ML

- Classic models (SVM, logistic regression, random forest, Naïve Bayes)
- Deep learning models (CNN, RNN, RNN\_att, H\_RNN, H\_RNN\_att)

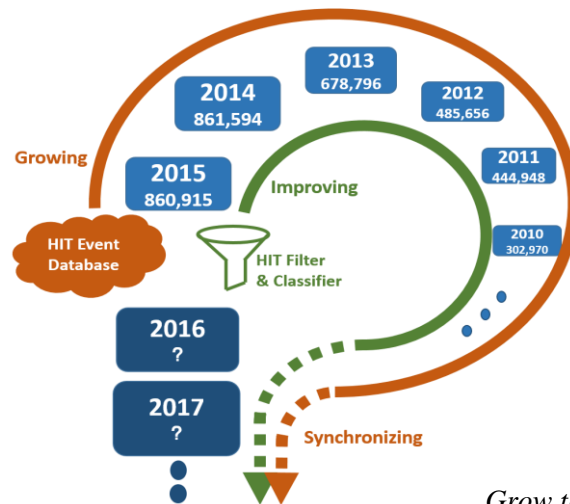
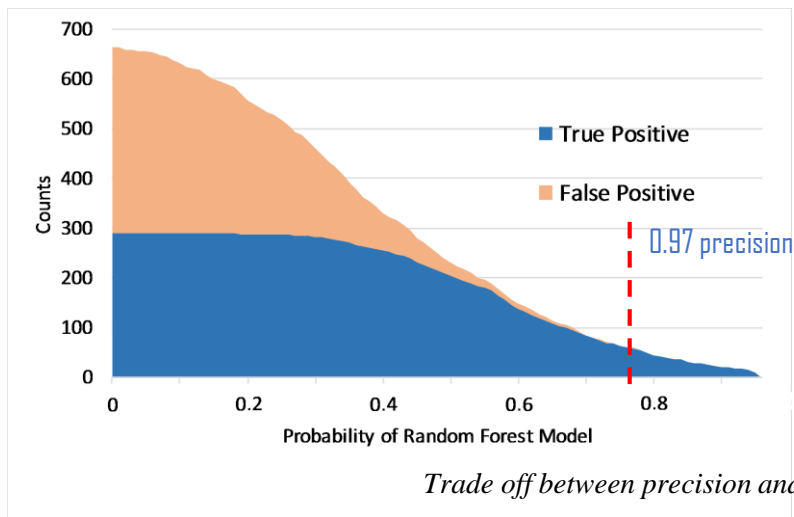
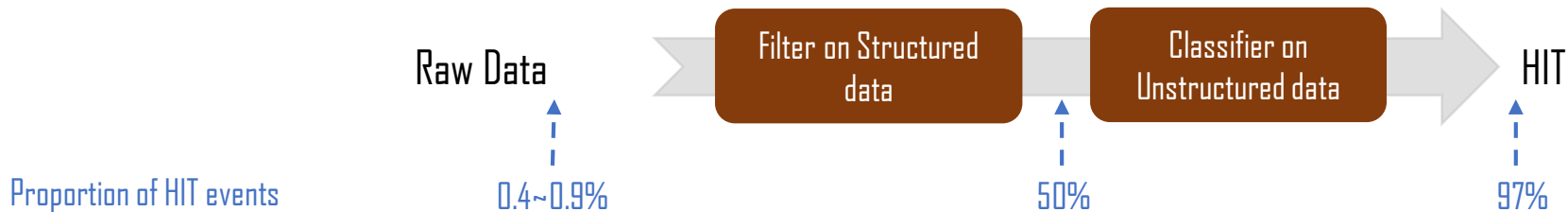




## The First Database (Publicly Available) for Health IT Events



- Best model: Accuracy = **0.903** AUC = **0.954**  $F_1$  = **0.876**
- Established the first database for health IT events **48,997** reports

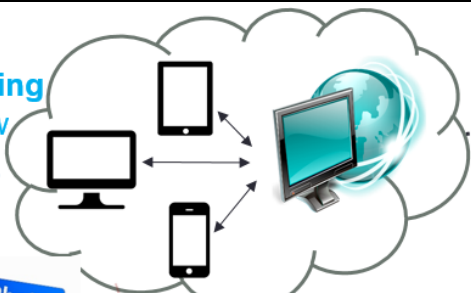


Grow the HIT database



## Integrated Reporting

- Report & Review
- Comment



- Add Friend
- Photos
- Share
- Comment
- Message
- Like
- Follow



## Shared Learning

- Share
- Follow
- Discuss

Improve Patient Safety

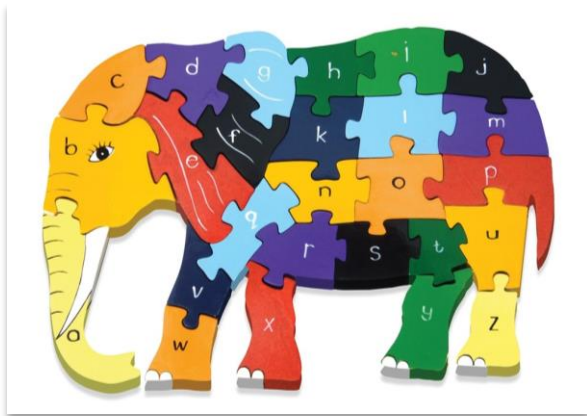
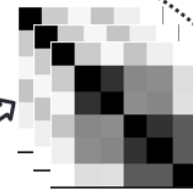
PSE Reports



Annotations on an  
Ontology/Taxonomy in  
PSE Domain

Solution  
Recommendation  
Strategy

PSE Similarity  
Matrices



Transforming Data to Improve Patient Safety



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## Extracting structured data from incident reports

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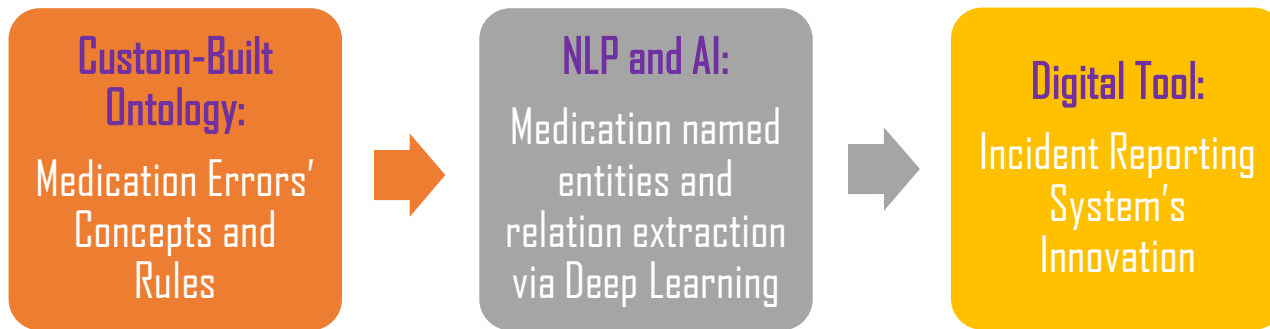
*<https://www.aiforpatientsafety.com/>*





## From narrative incident reports to structured format

- A series of interrelated research studies that aim to develop information retrieval solutions to extract actionable data from incident reports for medication errors
- Medication errors





## Ontology for medication-related incident reports

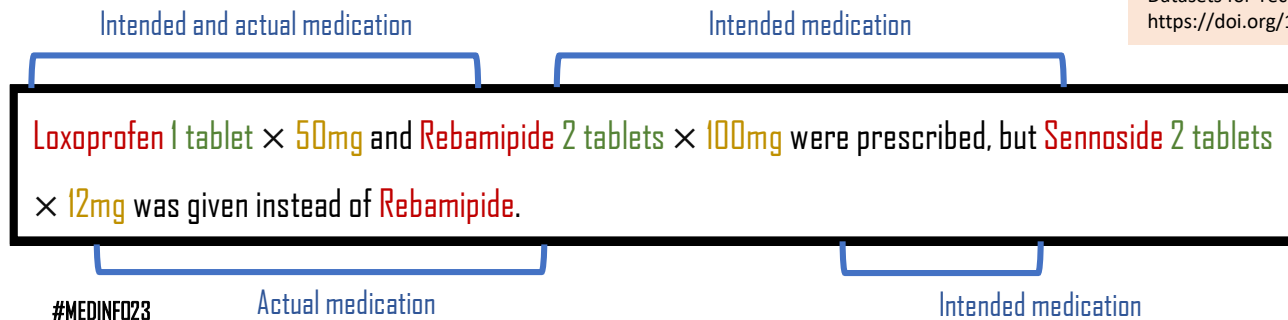
### Medication error concepts (named entities) - NER

- the 'things of interest' within medication related reports / the key units of information that need to be extracted.
- 'drug', 'form', 'strength', 'duration', 'timing', 'frequency', 'date', 'dosage' and 'route.'

### Intention and factuality analysis (attributes) - I&F

- Discrepancies between the intended delivery from the upstream operation and what is actually delivered to the downstream operation.

Zhang HK, Sasano R, Takeda K, Wong ZSY, editors. Development of a Medical Incident Report Corpus with Intention and Factuality Annotation. LERC 2020; 2020; Marseille.  
Wong, Z. S. Y. Gold Standard/Manual Reviewed Annotated Datasets for Technical Validation. figshare <https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.23504922.v1> (2023).



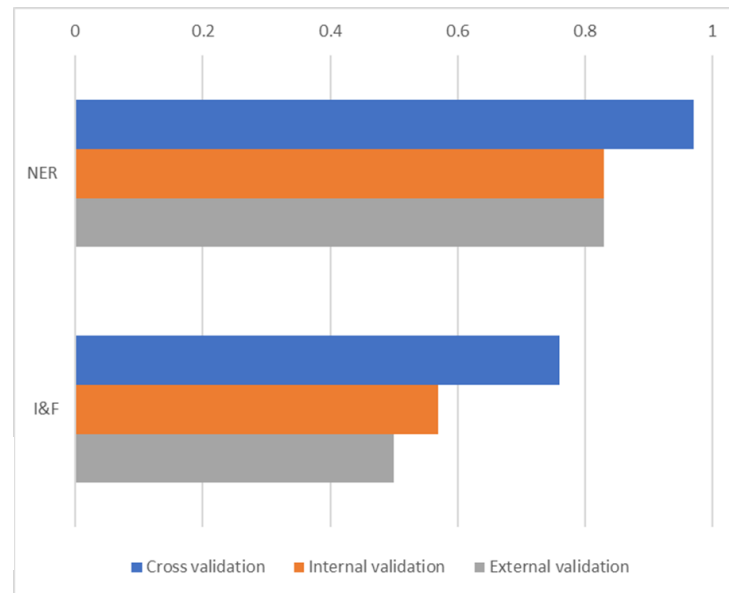
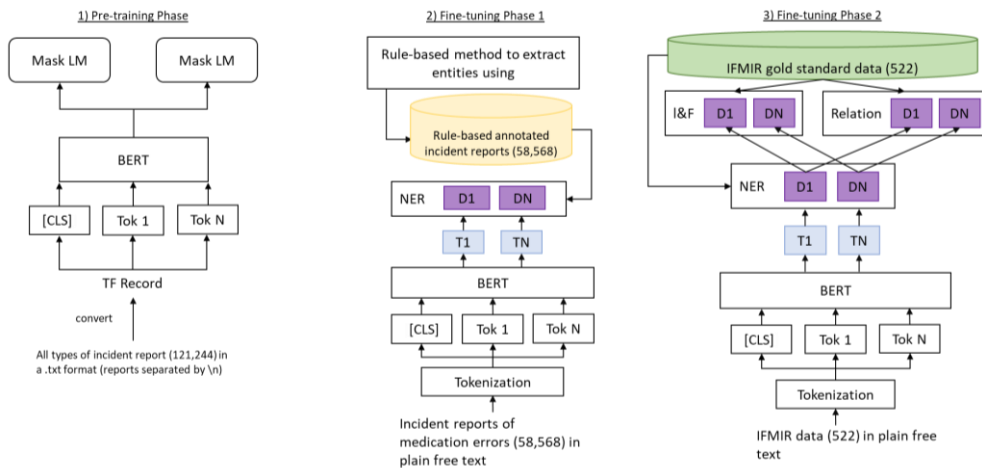
● Drug

● Dosage

● Strength\_Amt



## AI-empowered concept and relation extraction



Wong, Z., Waters, N., Data Artist Team, Kuo, N. & Liu, J. Rule-based natural language processing pipeline to detect medication-related named entities: insights for transfer learning (accepted). Medinfo 2023 (2023). <https://github.com/aiforpatientsafety/machineannotator>

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## Proof-of-concept AI Incident Reporting System <https://med-incident-report.link/>

AI-enabled Incident Reporting and Learning System

Welcome to the first version of the AI-enabled Incident Reporting and Learning System. This system is being developed by the AI for Patient Safety team led by Dr. Zhen Wang at St. Luke's International University.

**What's the purpose of this system?**  
to learn from near miss incidents (learning from past patient safety incidents and ultimately improve patient safety).

**What can this system do?**  
It has been designed to automatically capture information from unstructured, free-text incident reports and present it in structured data. Near miss incident reports have been processed. It can be updated automatically with observed clinical data, drawing from past medical records to provide the user with similar past incidents and relevant learning resources.

**How does it work?**  
It can extract language processing to automatically extract named entities, i.e. the "thing" of interest from incident reports. By extracting and analyzing the named entities, we can infer what type of incident occurred and other event details. This allows underlying reasons for medical incidents to be reported automatically on a large scale.

**Key Three Phases of the Reporting Process:**

1. Report: The doctor provided ID of Drug A to the patient, but the nurse administered B.
2. Annotate: The user confirms that the incident report has been annotated correctly, and whether the source of the error has been clearly inferred. If not, the user can make corrections.
3. Register: The user has the option to search for similar past medical incidents, or related search for educational materials and receive feedback, create smart advisories and engagements.



Submission of Incident Report

Please select the report type:  
Near Miss

Please fill in the details of the incident report:

Entities predicted by the system: 12時からの特続点滴 (ソルデム3A輸液500ml) が63ml/hで滴下するところ、42ml/hで区切った状態で投与してしました。

Entity Name: 12時から  
Entity Type: Duration  
Error Label: IA

Entity Name: 点滴  
Entity Type: Route  
Error Label: IA

Entity Name: ソルデム3A  
Entity Type: Drug  
Error Label: IA

Entity Name: 輸液  
Entity Type: Form-form  
Error Label: IA

Entity Name: 500ml  
Entity Type: Strength-amount  
Error Label: IA

Entity Name: 63ml/h  
Entity Type: Strength-rate  
Error Label: IN

Entity Name: 42ml/h  
Entity Type: Strength-rate  
Error Label: NA

ADD NEW ENTITY

Incident type(s) Wrong Strength\_rate



Report type: Near Miss  
Report ID: HG0895BF1E70DEDAA  
Report year: 2016  
Error type(s): Wrong Strength\_rate

Annotation results:

Entity Type	Intended	Actual
Timing	12時から	12時30分始
Drug	ソルデム3A	輸液
Form-form	点滴	輸液
Route	点滴	輸液
Strength-rate	63ml/h	42ml/h
Timing	12時から	14時10分
Route	点滴	100ml
Strength-amount	100ml	100ml
Strength-rate	100ml	100ml
Strength-amount	100ml	100ml
Duration	18時35分	



Registration successful!

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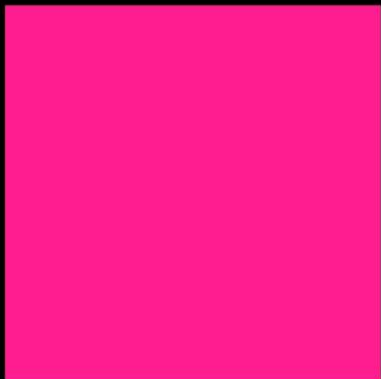


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## Panel Discussion



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### Model

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## Two case studies

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- Reclassify 'miscellaneous/other' events
- Prototype system to support review of FDA Adverse Event Reporting System (FAERS) reports



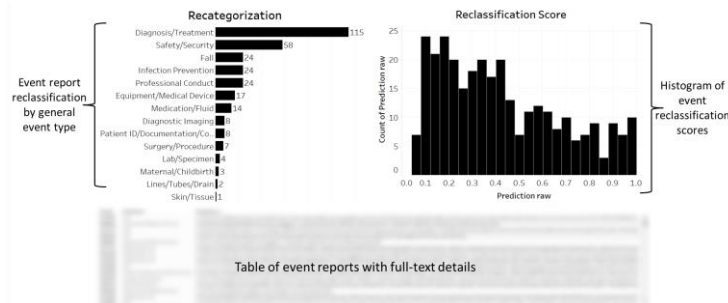
## Reclassifying 'miscellaneous/other' reports

### • Background

- Event classification taxonomies used in many reporting systems can be complex and difficult to understand by frontline reporters
- Many reports classified as 'miscellaneous' or 'other'

### • Method

- Ensemble ML and NLP model to reclassify 'miscellaneous/other' reports
- Integrated model into a clinical workflow dashboard



### • Discussion

- Different user thresholds suggests role-specific comfort levels of false positives and false negatives
- Reclassification insights: against medical advice (AMA)
- Can reduce aspects of workflow burdens



## Supporting FAERS workflow

- Understand medication error categorization workflow for direct FAERS reports
- Framework to evaluate Artificial Intelligent (AI) integration opportunities

The image displays two screenshots of a software interface for FAERS (Food and Drug Administration Reporting System) workflow. The top screenshot shows a 'Report Overview' page with a list of reports needing review, including FAERS Case # 100017. The bottom screenshot shows a detailed view of a report for FAERS Case # 100017, featuring a 'Report Summary' section with a highlighted error description and a 'Comment Window' for adding a comment. A red circle highlights the 'Comment on Report' button in the top screenshot.

### Evaluation components

**Technical deployment** (integrating an AI system into existing software systems would be a higher technical deployment cost compared to deploying a stand-alone AI system)

**Process rigidity** (Established workflows where end-users all follow the same process and use the same tools could show high process rigidity. Workflows where end-users can have more autonomy would be low process rigidity)

**AI assistance** (realized in time and resource savings or other measures of support)

**Frequency** (number of end-users and regularity of use)

Fong, A., Bonk, C., Vasilchenko, V., De, S., Kovich, D., & Wyeth, J. (2022). Exploring opportunities for AI supported medication error categorization: A brief report in human machine collaboration. *Frontiers in Drug Safety and Regulation*, 2, 1021068.



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