

Health Data Research UK and the British Heart Foundation Data Science Centre – Phenotype Library

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British Heart Foundation Data Science Centre

Led by Health Data Research UK



- UK centre of expertise for cardiovascular data science
- Mission: harnessing the power of health data to improve heart and circulatory health.



Whole Population Data

Better use of nationally-collated, structured, coded data: accessing, improving and using linked, national,...

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Defining Disease

Developing methods to define cardiovascular health and disease in computable form through a collaborative network of...

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Imaging

Better use of unstructured data: addressing the challenges of accessing, improving and using unstructured data, for...


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Cohorts

Facilitating the linkage of large, 'omics-rich' cohorts to electronic health records to better understand the causes of...

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Clinical Trials

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Smartphones and Wearables

Exploring how data from apps and wearables, linked to other health datasets, can inform trajectories of cardiovascular...

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Kidney Data Science Catalyst

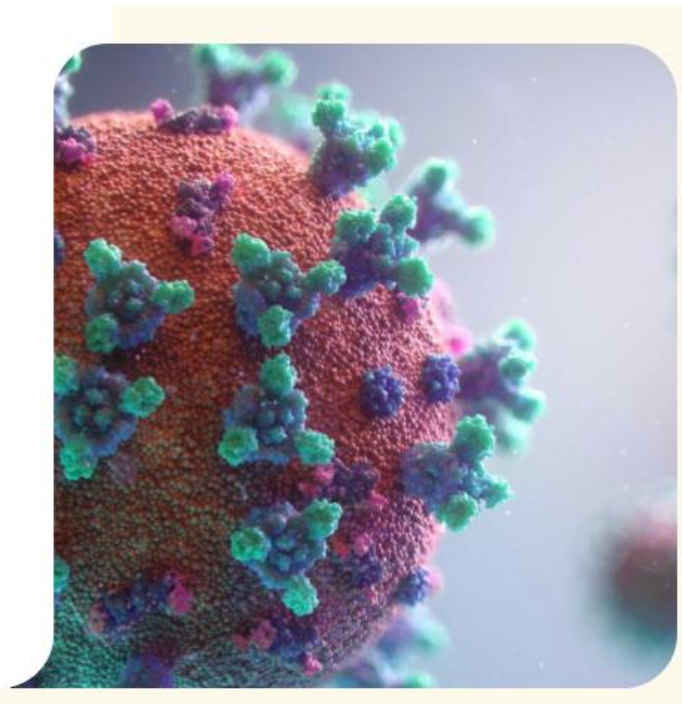
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Areas of work

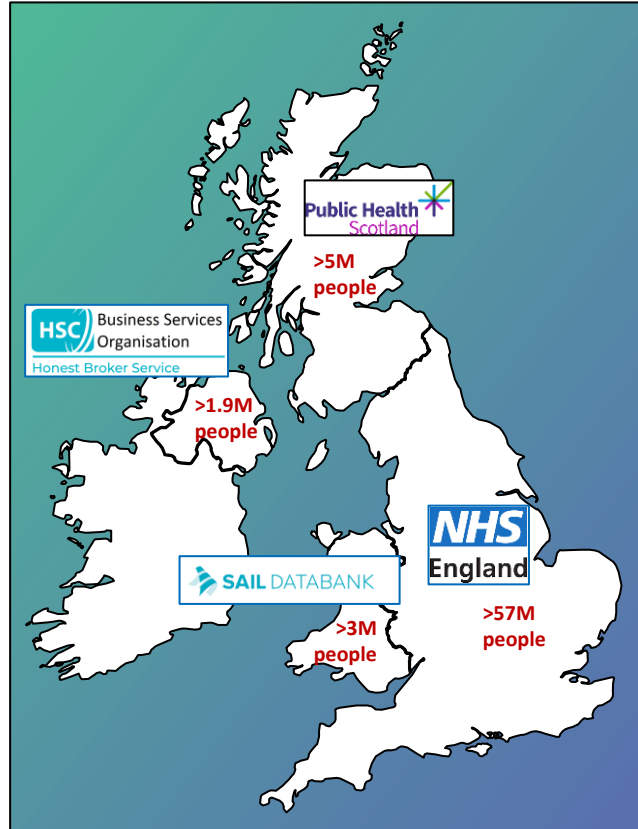
CVD-COVID-UK / COVID-IMPACT

CVD-COVID-UK aims to understand the relationship between COVID-19 and cardiovascular diseases such as heart attack, heart failure, stroke, and blood clots in the lungs through analyses of de-identified, linked, nationally collated healthcare datasets across the four nations of the UK. COVID-IMPACT is an expansion of this approach to address research questions looking at the impact of COVID-19 on other health conditions and their related risk factors.



Uniting the nations' electronic health records for research

- Secure access to multiple linked health datasets
 - Primary care
 - Hospital
 - Deaths
 - Medications
 - Specialist registries / audits
 - COVID-19 vaccination and lab test data
 - Climate/pollution data (linked on 1km² areas)
- Enables whole population research on **population of >67 million people:**
Statistically powerful
 - Comprehensive information on characteristics and health outcomes
 - Includes all ages groups, ethnicities, geographic locations, socioeconomic, health and personal characteristics
- Datasets updated regularly



Research Activity



90+ projects



80+ approved researchers



50+ NHS and academic organisations

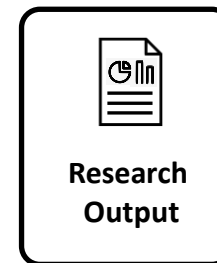
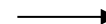
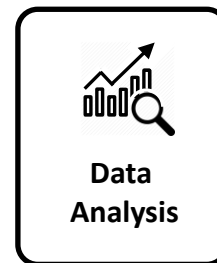
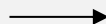
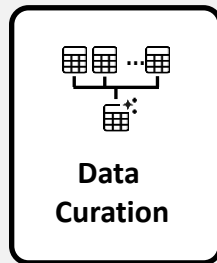
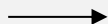
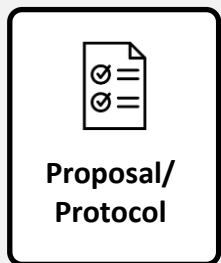


40 publications and preprints



Multiple policies

Project Journey



“It has been estimated that **80%** of the work for data science with NHS records is spent on **data preparation.**”

Data curation pipeline

Provisioned data

HES_APC	HES_OP	HES_AE	HES_CC
GDPPR	Covid_Test	Covid_Vacc	Covid_Vacc_Ev
Pri_Care_Meds	Sec_Care_Meds	Deaths	...

Data curation pipeline



Data exploration



Data wrangling



Data cleaning



Data harmonisation



Data phenotyping



Data checks/validation

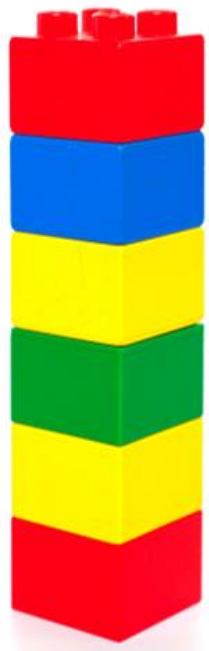


Data visualisation

Analysis-ready data

Analysis

HDR UK Phenotype Library: systematic curation of EHR phenotyping algorithms



→ Primary care
clinical events
(SNOMED, Read)

→ Cause of death
(ICD-10)

→ In-patient
hospital
diagnoses (ICD-
10)



Dr Jackie MacArthur

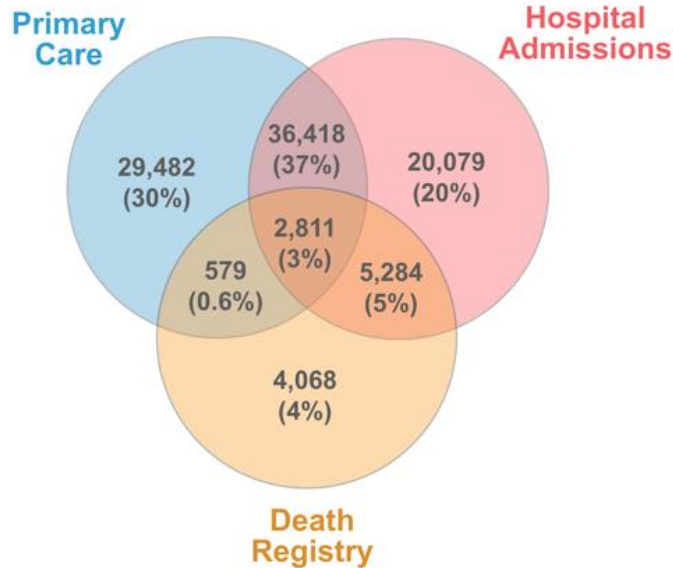


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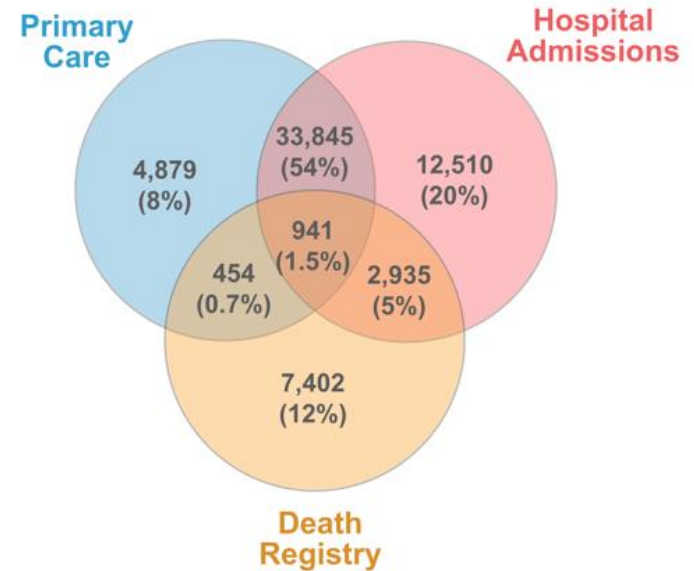
Linking data from different healthcare settings to ascertain incident cardiovascular events

January to October 2020

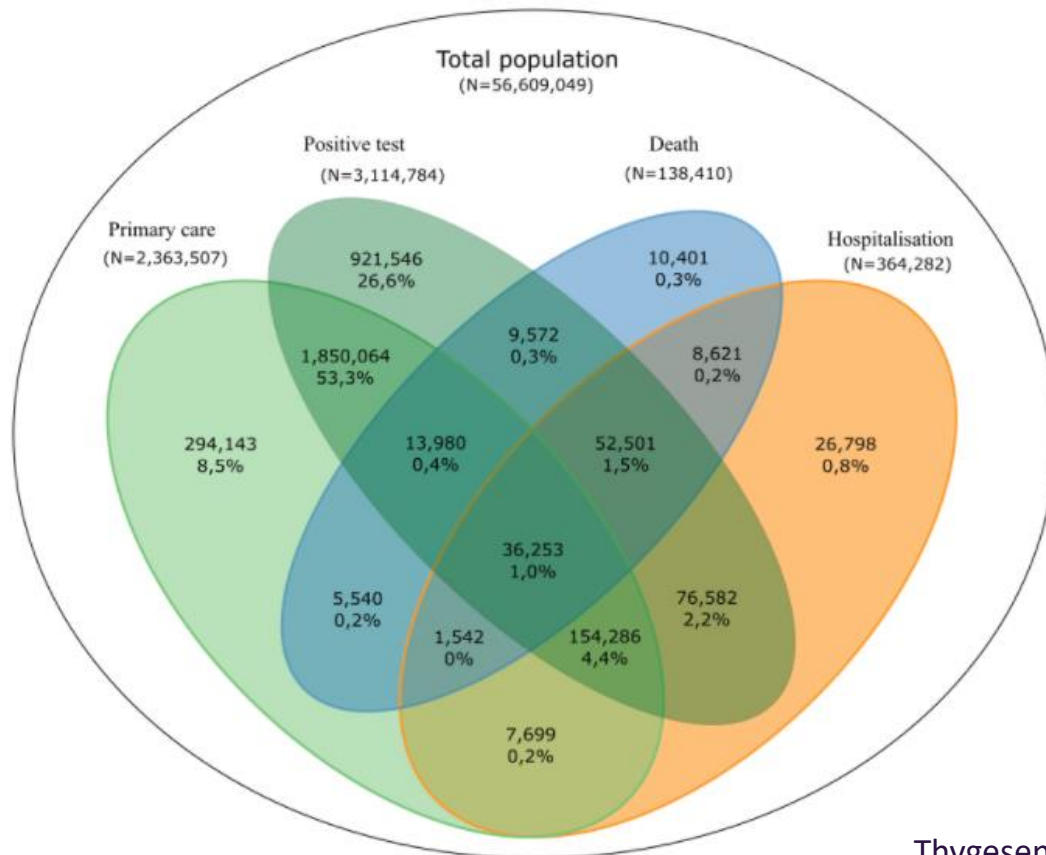
Incident Stroke / TIA (n=98,721)



Incident myocardial infarction (n=63,966)



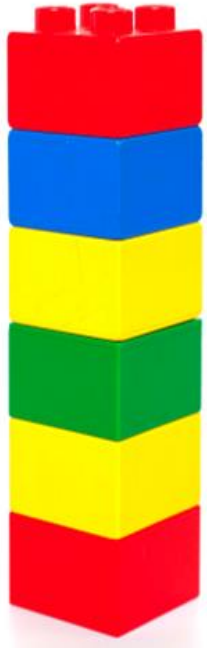
Linking data from different healthcare settings to ascertain COVID-19 infections at population scale



3.5 million people with COVID-19 by mid-Feb 2021:

- 3.1 million with a positive test
- 2.4 million diagnosed in primary care
- 364,000 hospitalised

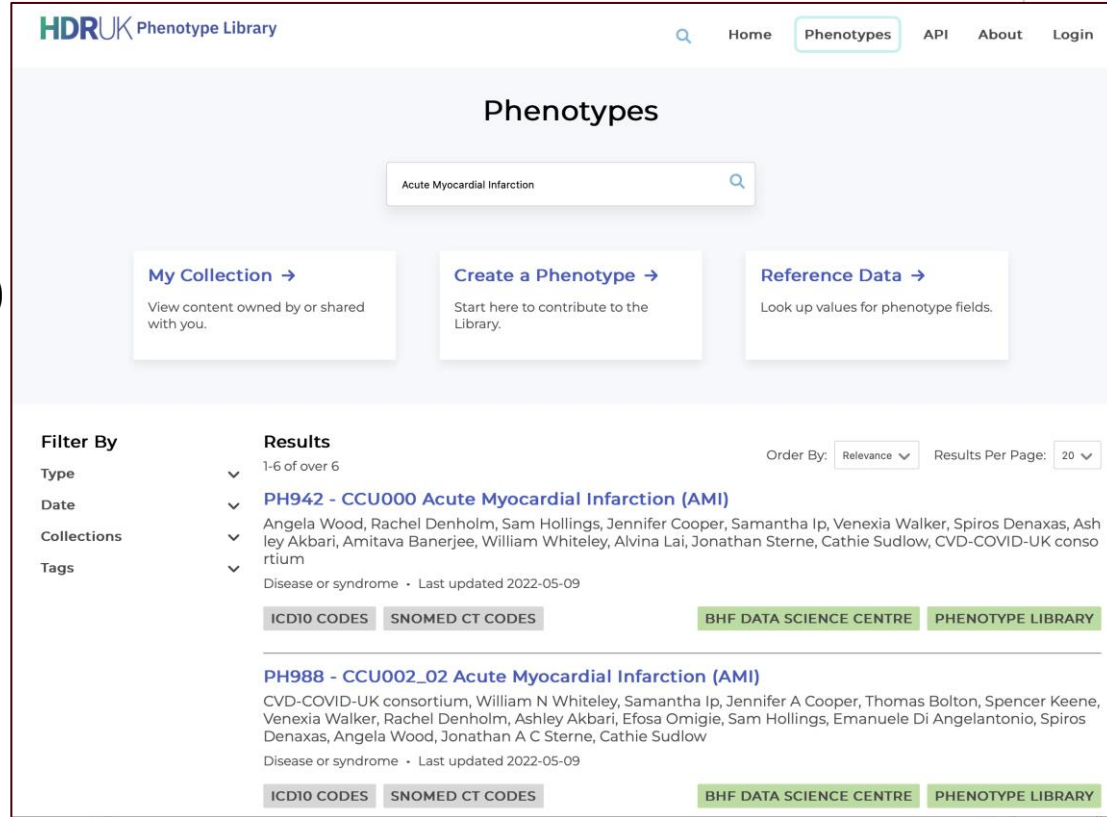
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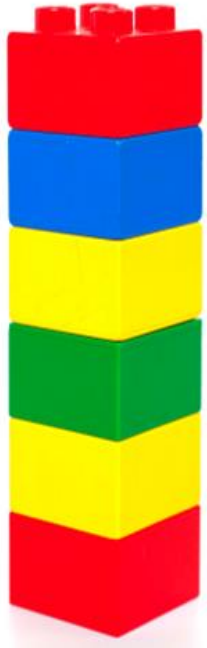
→ Cause of death (ICD-10)

→ In-patient hospital diagnoses (ICD-10)



The screenshot shows the HDRUK Phenotype Library interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Home', 'Phenotypes', 'API', 'About', and 'Login'. A search bar contains 'Acute Myocardial Infarction'. Below the search bar are three buttons: 'My Collection →', 'Create a Phenotype →', and 'Reference Data →'. The main content area is titled 'Phenotypes' and displays search results for 'Acute Myocardial Infarction'. The results are filtered by 'Type', 'Date', 'Collections', and 'Tags'. The first result is 'PH942 - CCU000 Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI)' by Angela Wood, Rachel Denholm, Sam Hollings, Jennifer Cooper, Samantha Ip, Venexia Walker, Spiros Denaxas, Ashley Akbari, Amitava Banerjee, William Whiteley, Alvina Lai, Jonathan Sterne, Cathie Sudlow, CVD-COVID-UK consortium. The second result is 'PH988 - CCU002_02 Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI)' by CVD-COVID-UK consortium, William N Whiteley, Samantha Ip, Jennifer A Cooper, Thomas Bolton, Spencer Keene, Venexia Walker, Rachel Denholm, Ashley Akbari, Efosa Omigie, Sam Hollings, Emanuele Di Angelantonio, Spiros Denaxas, Angela Wood, Jonathan A C Sterne, Cathie Sudlow. Both results include 'ICD10 CODES', 'SNOMED CT CODES', 'BHF DATA SCIENCE CENTRE', and 'PHENOTYPE LIBRARY' tags.

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CCU000 Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI)

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PH942 / 2120 Clinical-Coded Phenotype

- Overview**

Phenotype Type Disease or syndrome
Sex Both
Valid Event Date Range 31/01/2020 - 31/10/2020

Coding System ICD10 codes SNOMED CT codes
Data Sources [CPES Data for Pandemic Planning and Research \(COVID-19\)](#), [Hospital Episode Statistics Admitted Patient Care](#), [Civil Registration - Deaths](#), [Trusted Research Environments for CVD-COVID-UK / COVID-IMPACT](#), [Secondary Uses Services Payment By Results](#)
Collections [BHF Data Science Centre](#) Phenotype Library
Tags No data
- Definition**
- Implementation**

Implementation No data
- Clinical Code List**

PH942 / 2120 / C2720 - CCU000 Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI) - Phenotypes - England...
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- Publication**

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BHF DSC collection in Phenotype Library



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HDRUK Phenotype Library

Home **Phenotypes** API About Login

Filter By

Type

Date

Collections

ClinicalCodes Repository

CALIBER

BREATHE

BHF Data Science Centre

DATAMIND

Adolescent Data Platform (ADP)

SAIL

PIONEER

Results

1-20 of over 94

Order By: Relevance Results Per Page: 20

PH1 - COVID-19 infection

BHF CVD COVID UK Consortium

Disease or syndrome • Last updated 2021-10-06

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PH943 - CCU000 COVID-19

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Code Prevalence

Code Importance

Code Uniqueness

Code Frequency

Table 1

Prevalence of codes in SDE

Select Coding System:

ICD10

Overall Count:

Records

Count Threshold:

10

Order By:

Code

Phenotypes:

Select

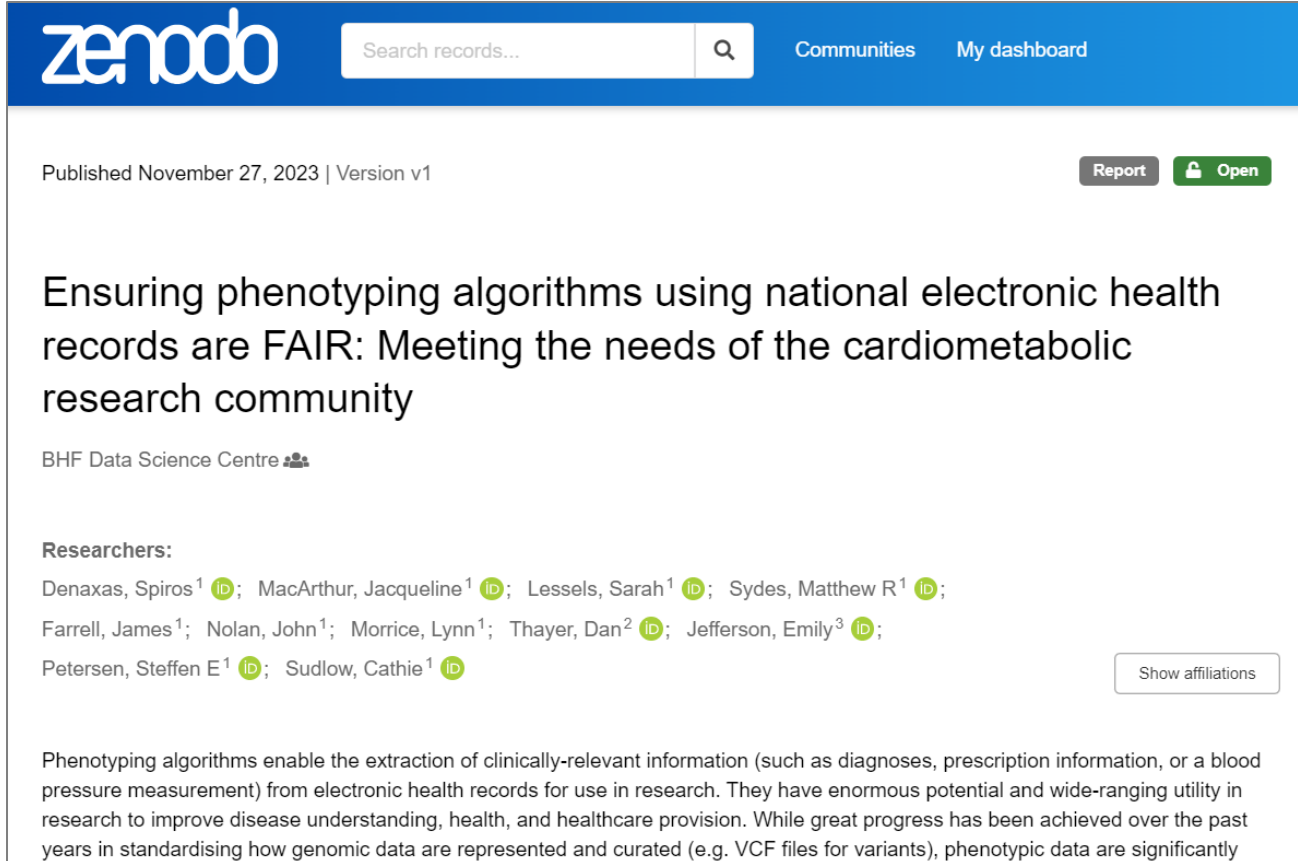
Reset:

In x Not in x

Diabetes Type:



Ensuring phenotyping algorithms are FAIR











The screenshot shows the Zenodo interface for a research record. At the top, there is a blue header with the Zenodo logo, a search bar, and navigation links for 'Communities' and 'My dashboard'. Below the header, the record details are displayed: 'Published November 27, 2023 | Version v1' on the left, and 'Report' and 'Open' buttons on the right. The main title is 'Ensuring phenotyping algorithms using national electronic health records are FAIR: Meeting the needs of the cardiometabolic research community'. Below the title, the affiliation 'BHF Data Science Centre' is listed. A 'Researchers:' section follows, listing seven authors with their ORCID iD icons. A 'Show affiliations' button is located to the right of the researchers list. At the bottom, the start of the abstract is visible, discussing the extraction of clinically-relevant information from electronic health records for research.

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Ensuring phenotyping algorithms using national electronic health records are FAIR: Meeting the needs of the cardiometabolic research community

BHF Data Science Centre

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Show affiliations

Phenotyping algorithms enable the extraction of clinically-relevant information (such as diagnoses, prescription information, or a blood pressure measurement) from electronic health records for use in research. They have enormous potential and wide-ranging utility in research to improve disease understanding, health, and healthcare provision. While great progress has been achieved over the past years in standardising how genomic data are represented and curated (e.g. VCF files for variants), phenotypic data are significantly

Standards for phenotyping algorithms

Recommended dimensions:

1. Complexity
2. Performance
3. Efficiency
4. Implementability
5. Maintenance

JOURNAL ARTICLE

Improving reporting standards for phenotyping algorithm in biomedical research: 5 fundamental dimensions [Get access >](#)

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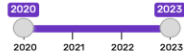
Abstract

Introduction

Phenotyping algorithms enable the interpretation of complex health data and definition of clinically relevant phenotypes; they have become crucial in biomedical research. However, the lack of standardization and transparency inhibits the cross-comparison of findings among different studies, limits large scale meta-analyses, confuses the research community, and prevents the reuse of algorithms, which results in duplication of efforts and the waste of valuable resources.

Burden of cardiovascular diseases in England

Date Range:



Select Diseases:

- Heart failure NOS x
- Myocardial infarction x
- Ischaemic stroke syndrome x

Show COVID-19 timeline

Disease labels

Log scale

Show all trajectories

Show trend

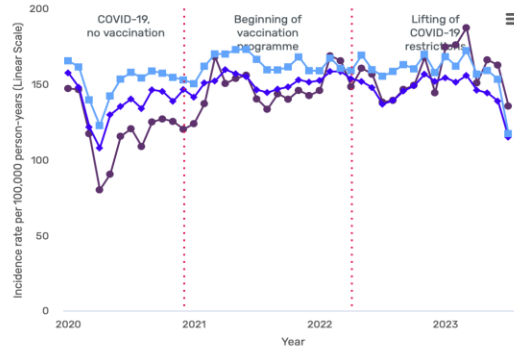
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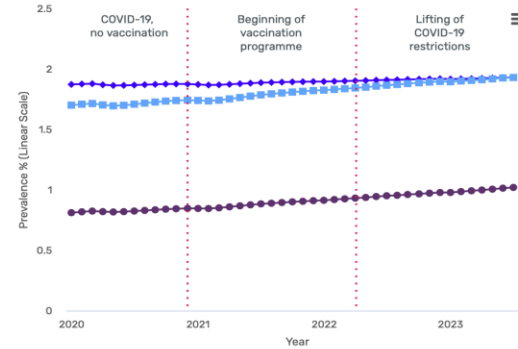
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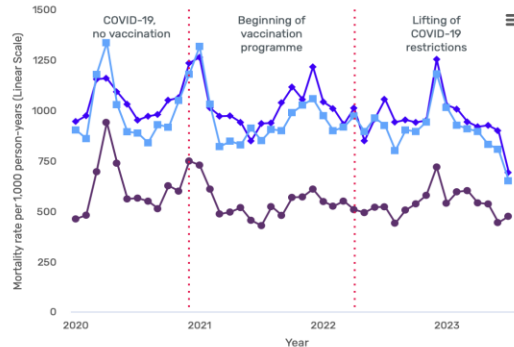
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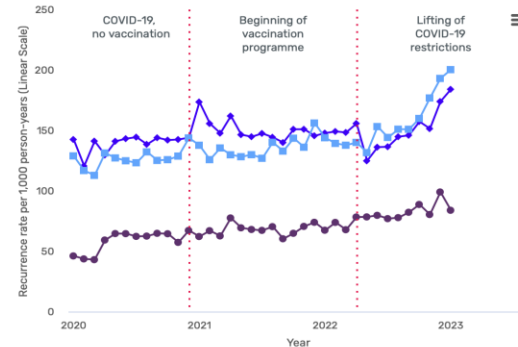
Prevalence



Case Fatality



Recurrence



Burden of cardiovascular diseases in England



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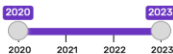
About

Compare Diseases

Explore a Single Disease

Methodology

Date Range:



Select Disease:

Heart failure NOS

Select Characteristic:

Ethnicity

Show COVID-19 timeline

Characteristic labels

Log scale

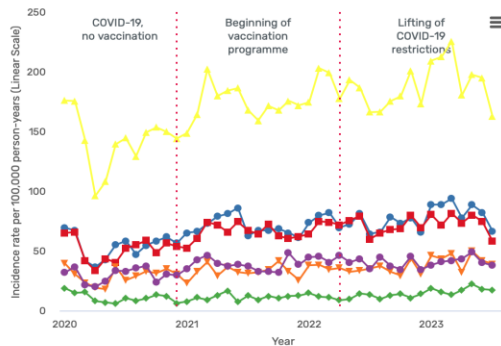
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6-month moving average

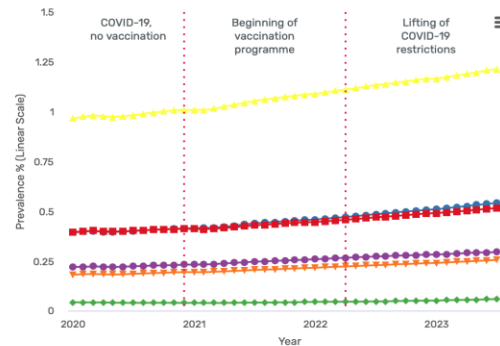
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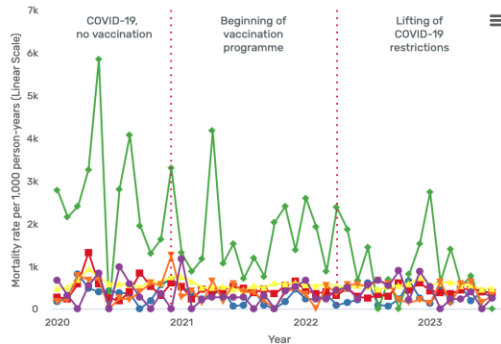
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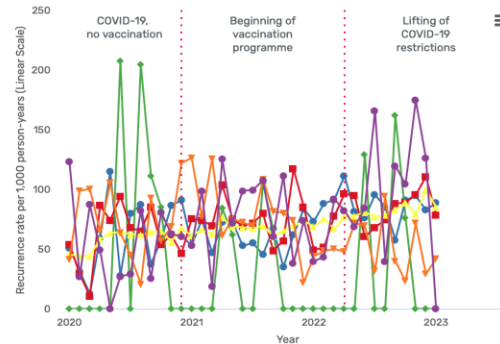
Prevalence



Case Fatality



Recurrence



Summary

- HDR UK Phenotype Library: systematic curation of EHR phenotyping algorithms
- Phenotyping algorithms need to be Findable, Accesible, Interoperable, and Reusable (FAIR) and adhere to newly recommended standards
- **Builds an essential and high-quality foundation for all subsequent analyses**

Thank you for listening

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