

SNOMED Clinical Terms

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 - Designed on experience
 - Logic based design
 - Quality assured clinically relevant content
 - Customisable
 - Extensions, reference sets including subsets and mapping, language preferences
 - Enables analysis, decision support and knowledge linkage

SNOMED CT

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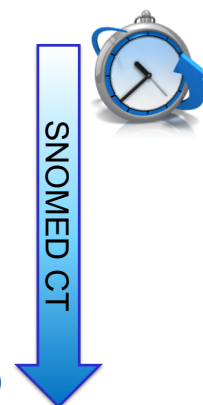
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SNOMED CT History



- First released in 2002
 - By the College of American Pathologists (CAP)
 - Original Content from
 - Earlier versions of SNOMED (CAP)
 - Read Codes (UK NHS)
- Design based on
 - Identified user requirements
 - Practical experience
 - Scientific principles established in peer reviewed publications
- Acquired by IHTSDO (SNOMED International) for the public good in 2007






A Purpose Built Terminology

- The requirements for effective representation of clinical ideas are described in Dr James Cimino's widely referenced, peer acclaimed 1998 paper
- "Desiderata for controlled clinical vocabularies in the twenty-first century"

SNOMED CT was designed to address these requirements


- 1 Content, Content, and Content
- 2 Concept Orientation
- 3 Concept Permanence
- 4 Non-semantic Concept Identifier
- 5 Polyhierarchy
- 6 Formal Definitions
- 7 Reject "Not Elsewhere Classified"
- 8 Multiple Granularities
- 9 Multiple Consistent Views
- 10 Representing Context
- 11 Evolve Gracefully
- 12 Recognize Redundancy

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3415631/>




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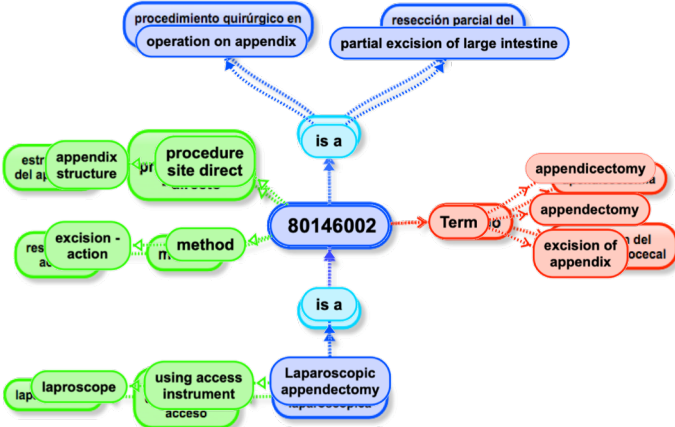
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SNOMED CT - Not Just a Code System




- Logical relationships between concepts supports meaning-based processing




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Broad Scope of Content






Updated to changes in medical knowledge




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- Various levels of detail
 - ▲ ■ Myocardial infarction (disorder)
 - ▲ ■ Acute ischemic heart disease (disorder)
 - ▼ ■ Acute myocardial infarction (disorder)
 - ▼ ■ Acute myocardial infarction due to right coronary artery occlusion (disorder)
 - ■ Acute ST segment elevation myocardial infarction due to right coronary artery occlusion (disorder)


- Quality approach to content
 - Expert SNOMED International personnel
 - Transparency through guidance
 - Automated rules validation, pattern evaluation
 - Collaboration




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SNOMED International

- An international not-for-profit organisation
 - Owned by Members
 - Governed by General Assembly of its Members
 - Funded by members based on national wealth
- Maintains and delivers SNOMED CT
 - Free use in Member territories
 - Low cost licenses for institutions in other countries





Global Patient Set (GPS) released

- Managed collection of existing SNOMED CT subsets
- Free for all users to support cross-border interoperability
- Includes
 - Unique identifiers
 - Fully specified names
 - Preferred terms in international English
 - Active/inactive status flags



SNOMED International Support

- Website, communications and document library
- Business meetings and Expo
- Collaboration environment
- Advisory and project groups
- SNOMED CT education
- Content request service (CRS)
- Customer support management
- Vendor and clinical engagement
- Standards collaboration



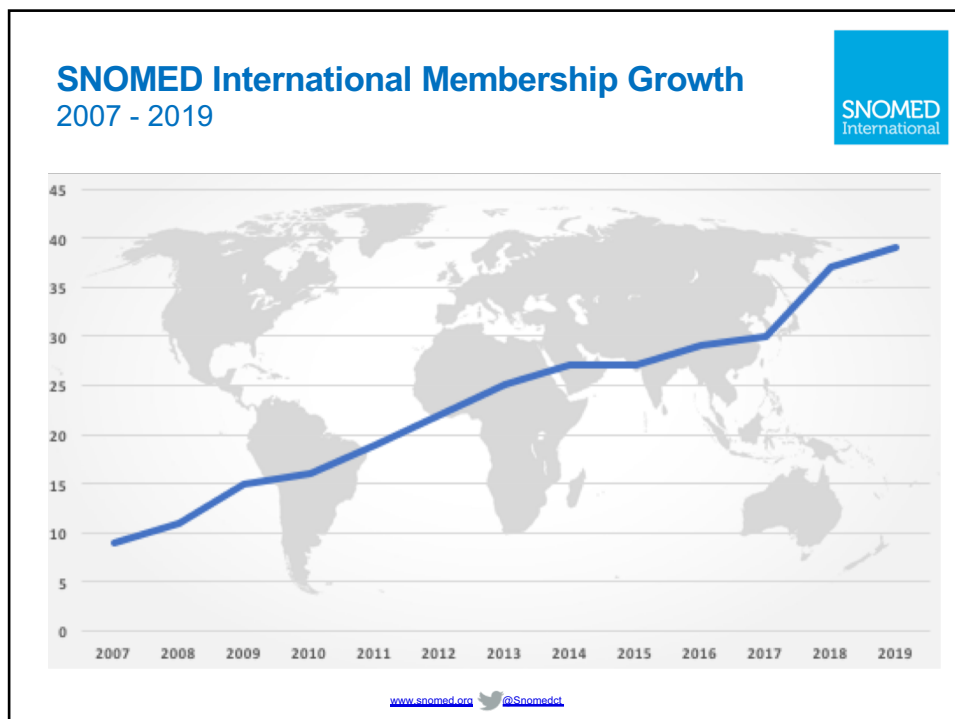
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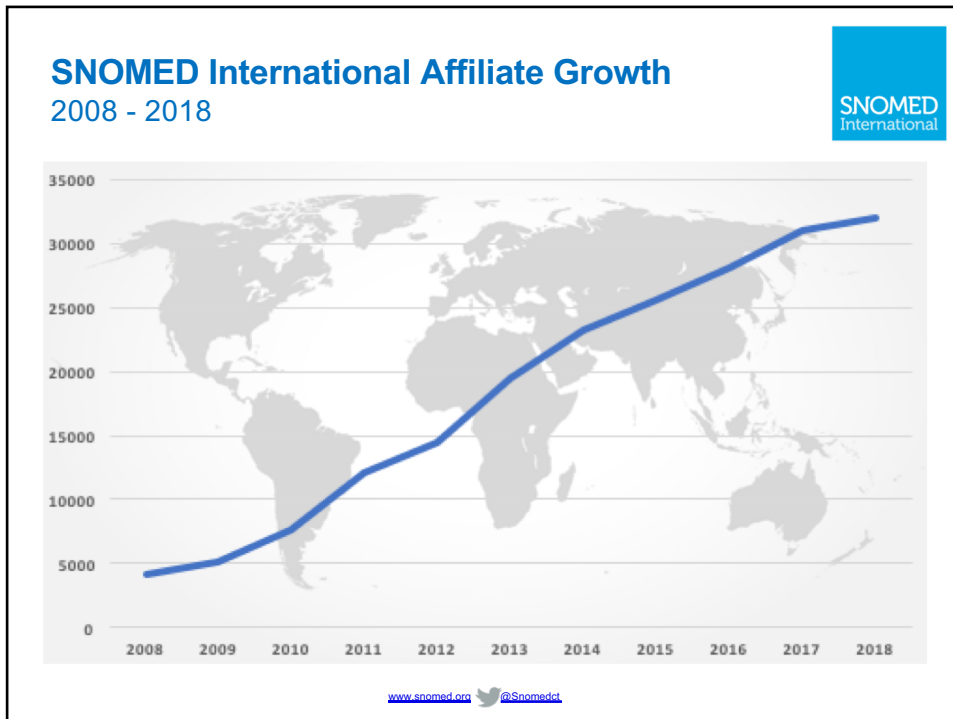


- SNOMED CT tooling
 - SNOMED CT browser, mapping tool, refset management and translation tool, authoring platform, CRS
- Open source software development
 - e.g. Snowstorm - scalable SNOMED CT terminology server
- SNOMED International managed service



GitHub
<https://github.com/IHTSDO>





SNOMED International Members (April 2019)

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Canada	Ireland	Norway	United Kingdom
Chile	Israel	Poland	USA
Cyprus	Jordan	Portugal	Uruguay
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SNOMED International Membership Benefits



- Free use of SNOMED CT and related products
- Membership of General Assembly
- Ability to create national extension and translation
- Access to global community of member countries
- Free new member induction
- Member education benefits
 - FREE Foundation Course for all students
 - Membership discount (50%) for all education courses
 - NRC access to 1 FREE enrolment in each course per year
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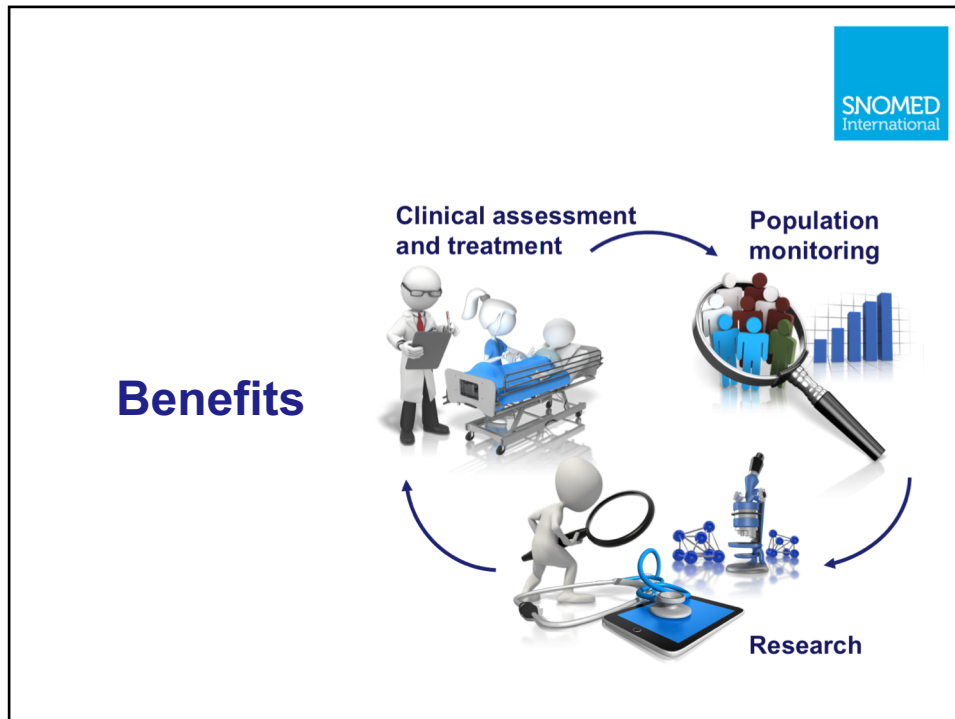


Our Vision



By 2025 clinical terminologies will be used globally, which will result in better health and patient outcomes, supported by one language of health



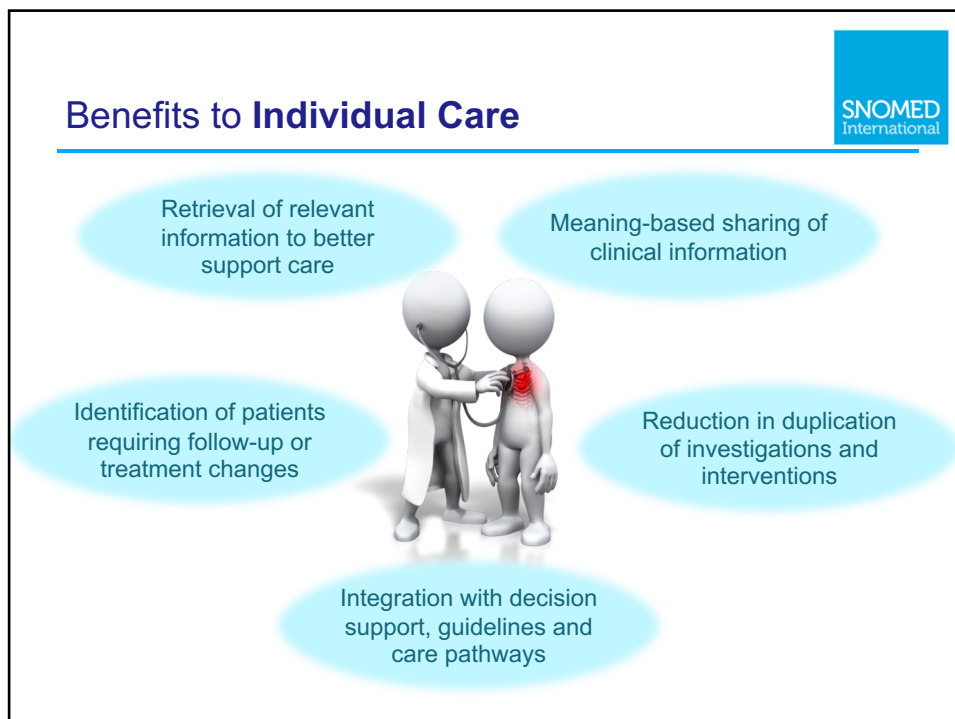
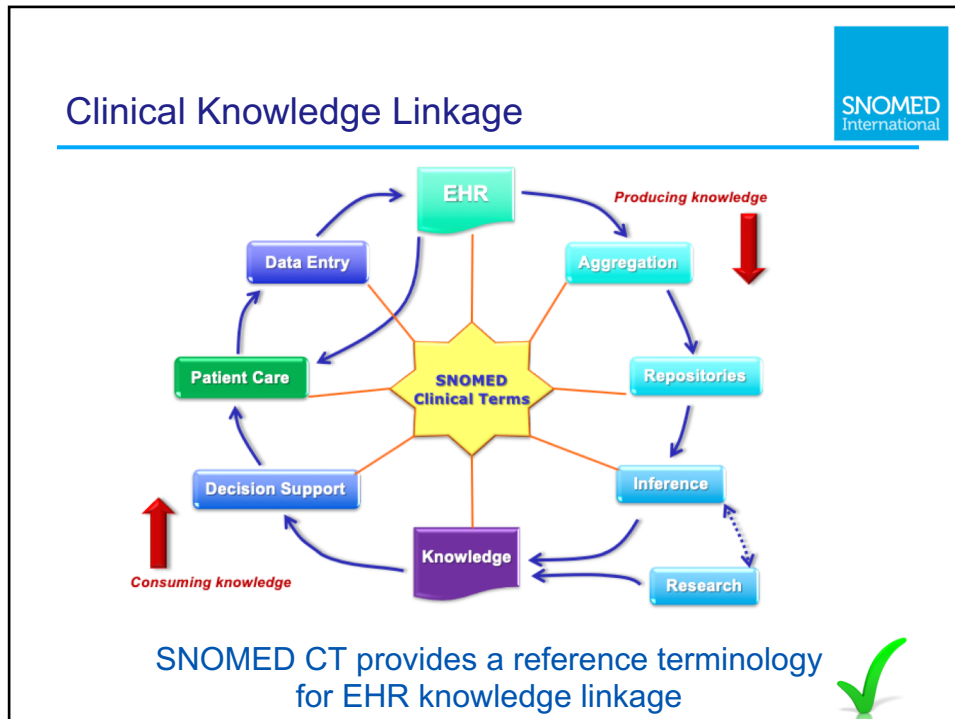


Meaning View of Health Records


- SNOMED CT provides information about
 - Significant facts in oceans of data
 - The immediate problems and risks for a patient
 - Outcomes of different types of clinical treatment
 - Enhances decision making
- Computation of the current situation requires
 - Consistent processable representation of clinical information

SNOMED CT is designed to support meaning-based processing of clinical information in health records

The slide features a 3D character in a white lab coat and blue tie, standing with one hand on their chin in a thinking pose. A large green checkmark is positioned at the bottom right of the slide. The SNOMED International logo is in the top right corner.




Benefits to Population Care




Epidemiological monitoring and reporting

Audit of clinical care and service delivery




Systems that measure and maximize the delivery of cost-effective treatments and minimize the risk of costly errors

Benefits to Clinical Research



Identification of clinical trial candidates




Clinical care delivery planning


Planning for future service delivery provision

Research into the effectiveness of different approaches to disease management


Benefits of SNOMED CT Implementation




A solid foundation for clinical records




Improved access to guidelines and decision support



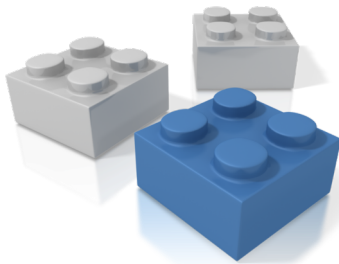

Interoperable information and knowledge resources



Improved Clinical and Business Intelligence



SNOMED CT Features



Concept

A clinical idea with a unique identifier

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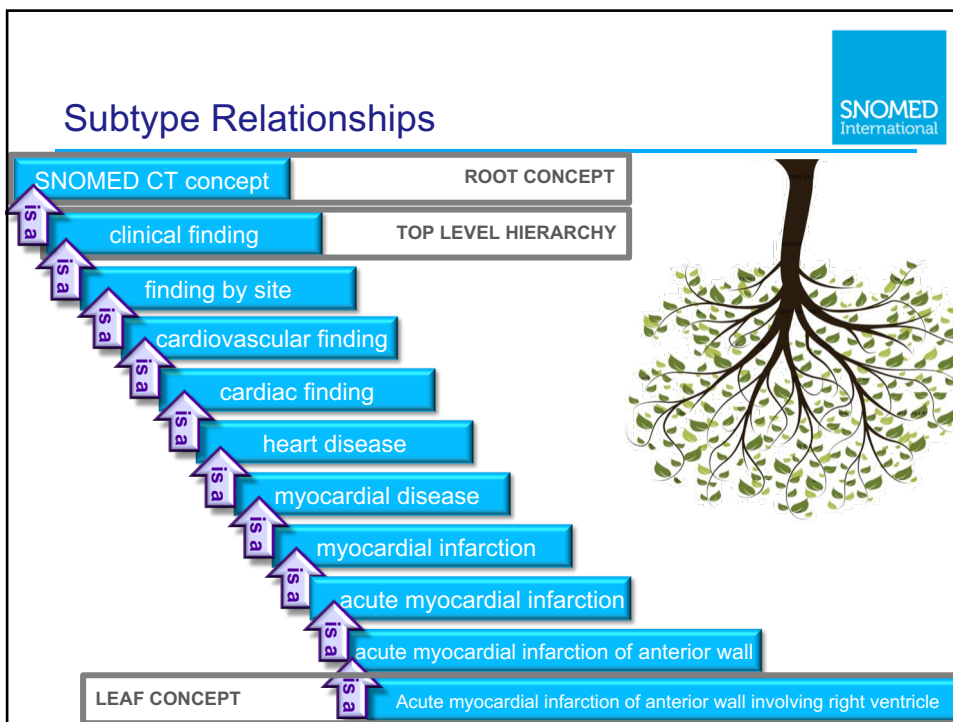
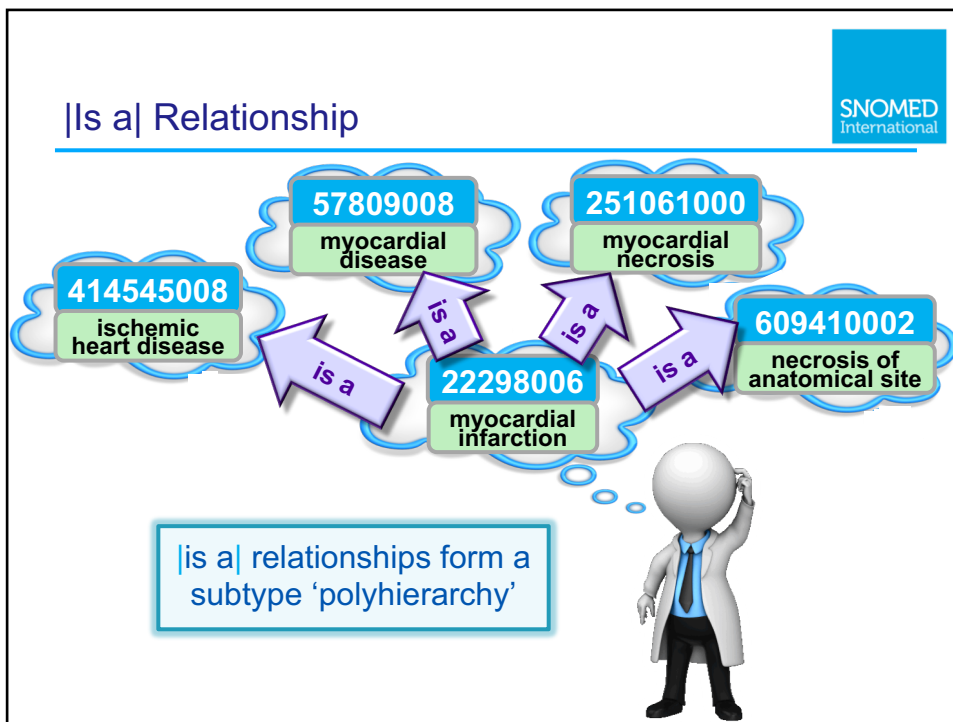
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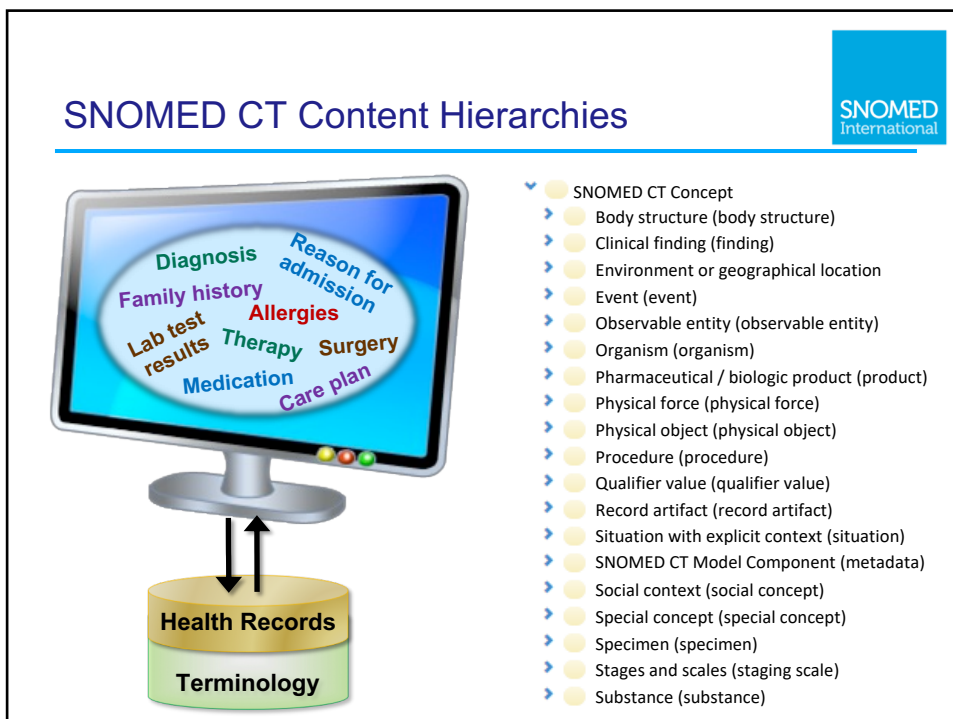
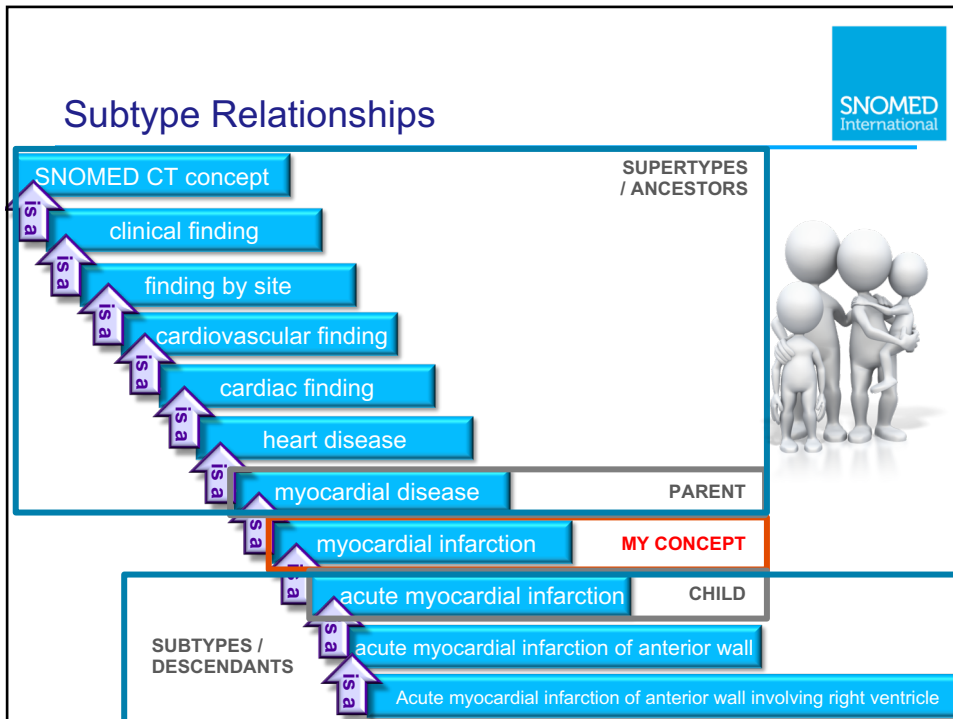
FSN	myocardial infarction (disorder)	751689013
SYN	myocardial infarction	37436014
SYN	cardiac infarction	37442013
SYN	heart attack	37333015
SYN	MI – Myocardial infarction	17848
SYN	myocardial infarct	17849

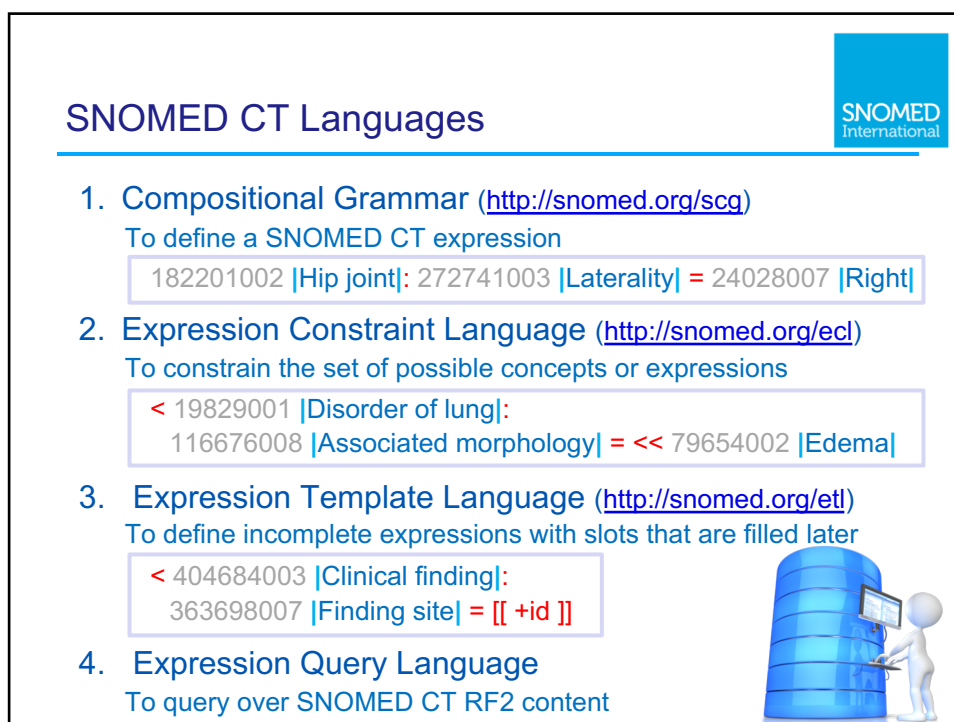
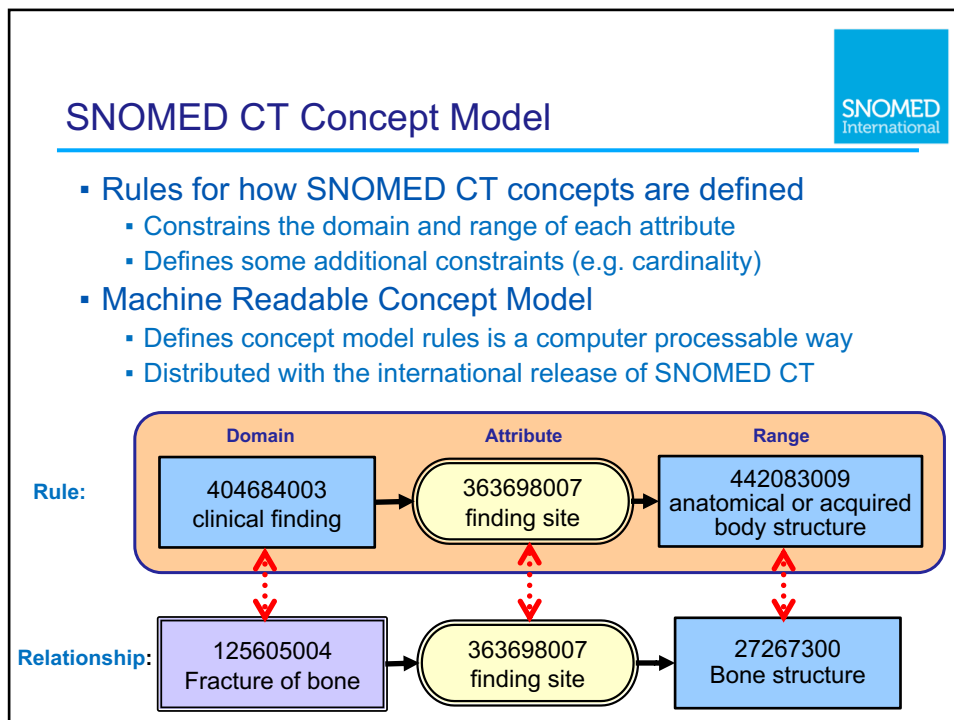
Human-readable term linked to a concept


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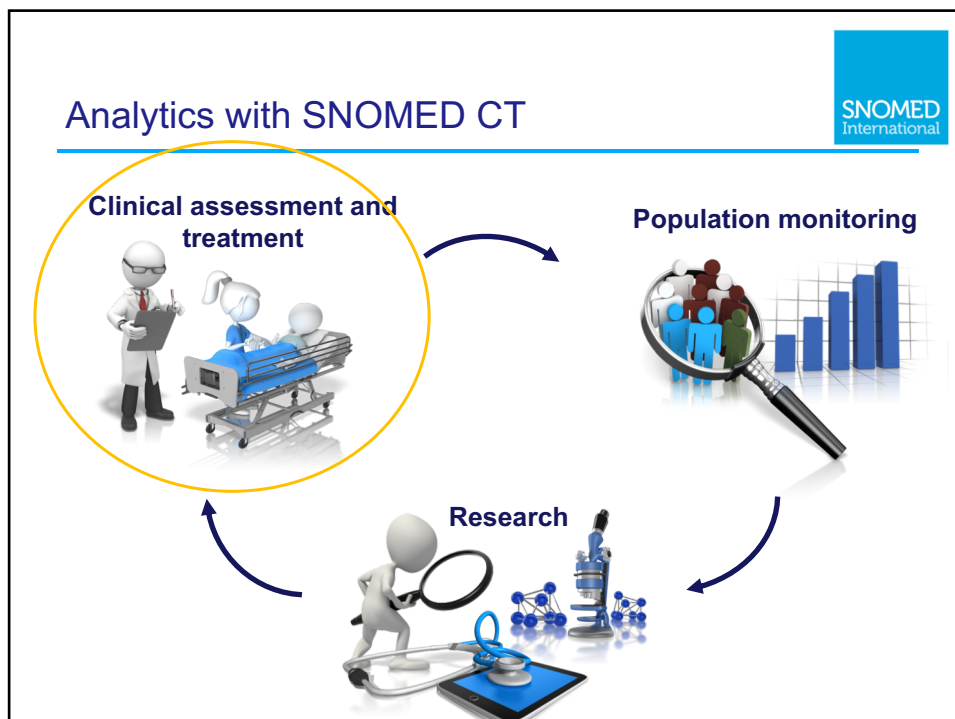



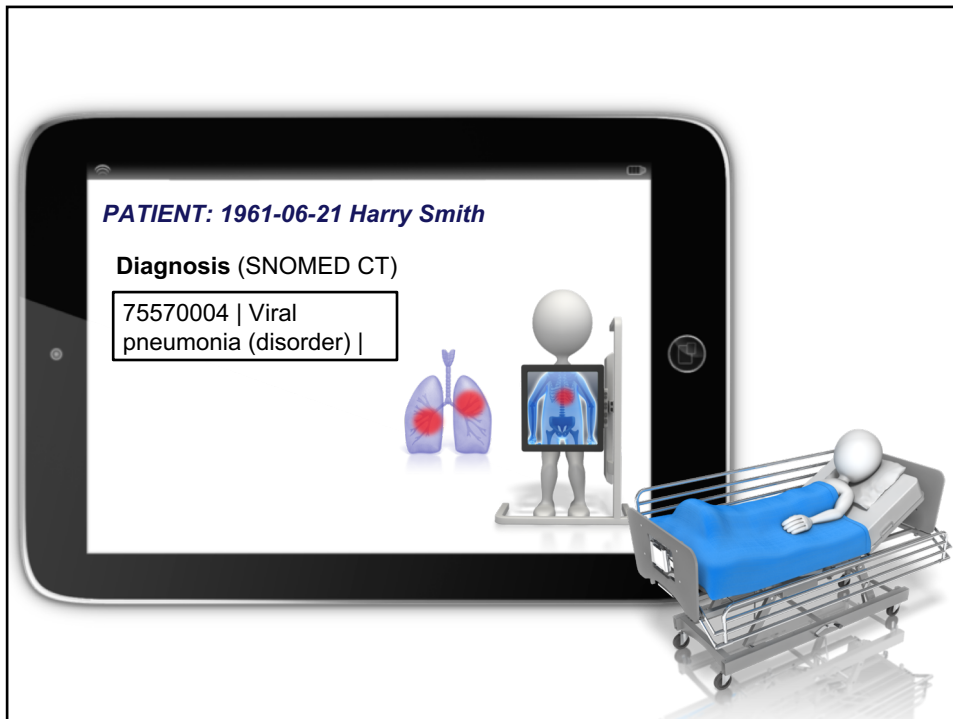






Using SNOMED CT for Analytics





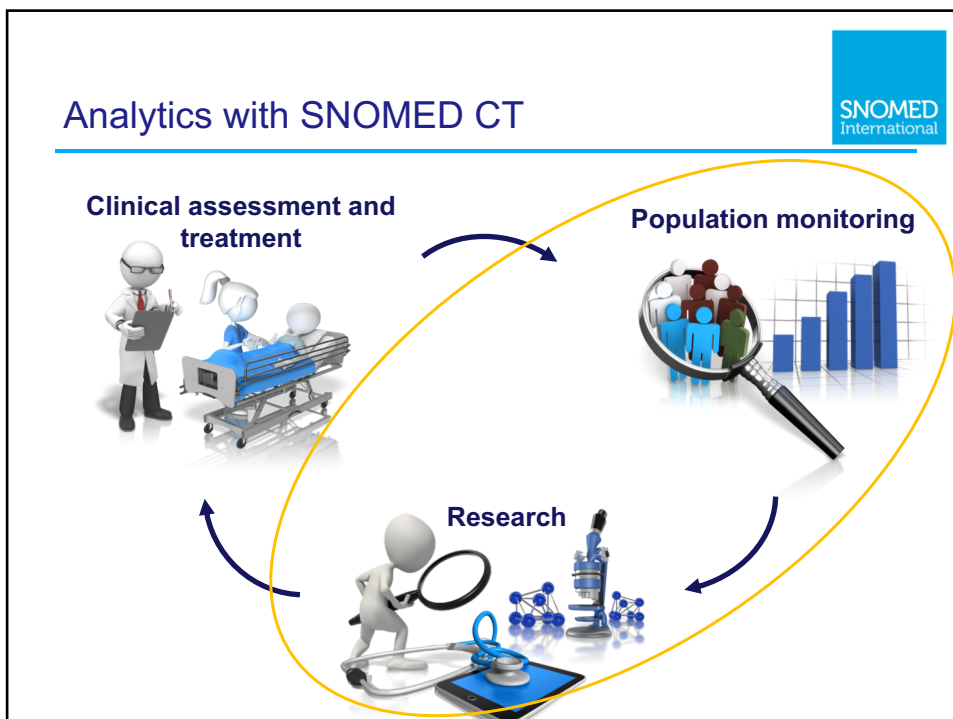
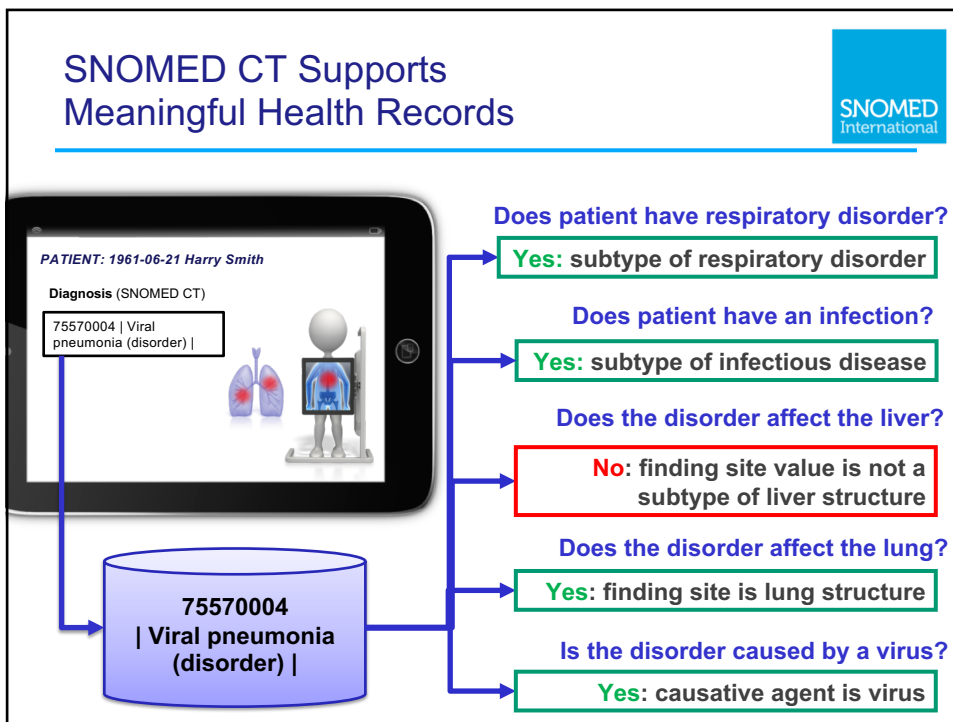
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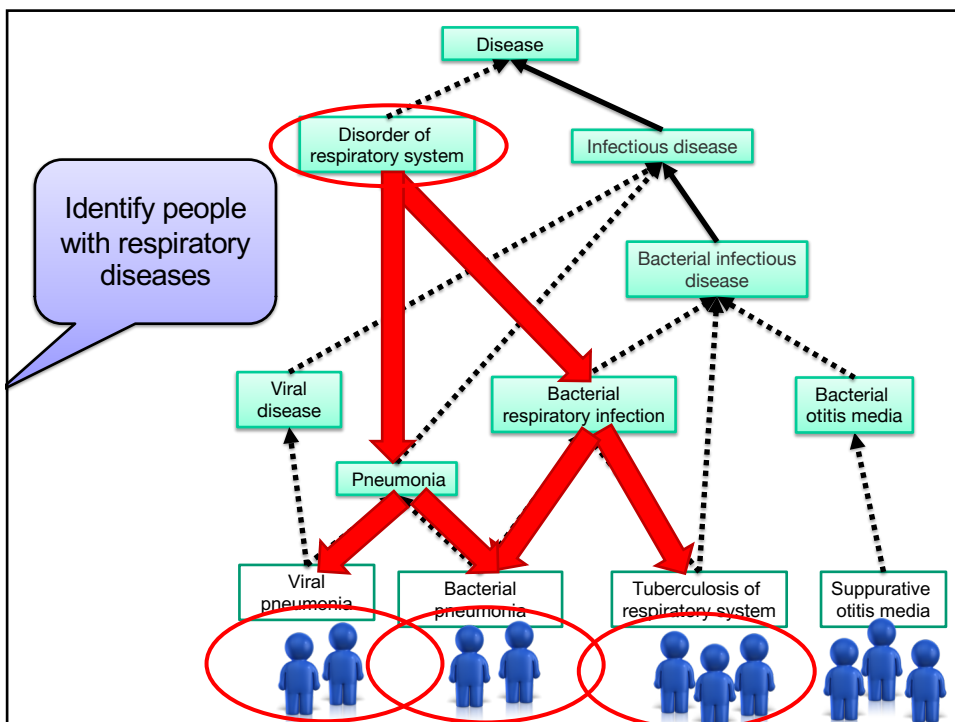
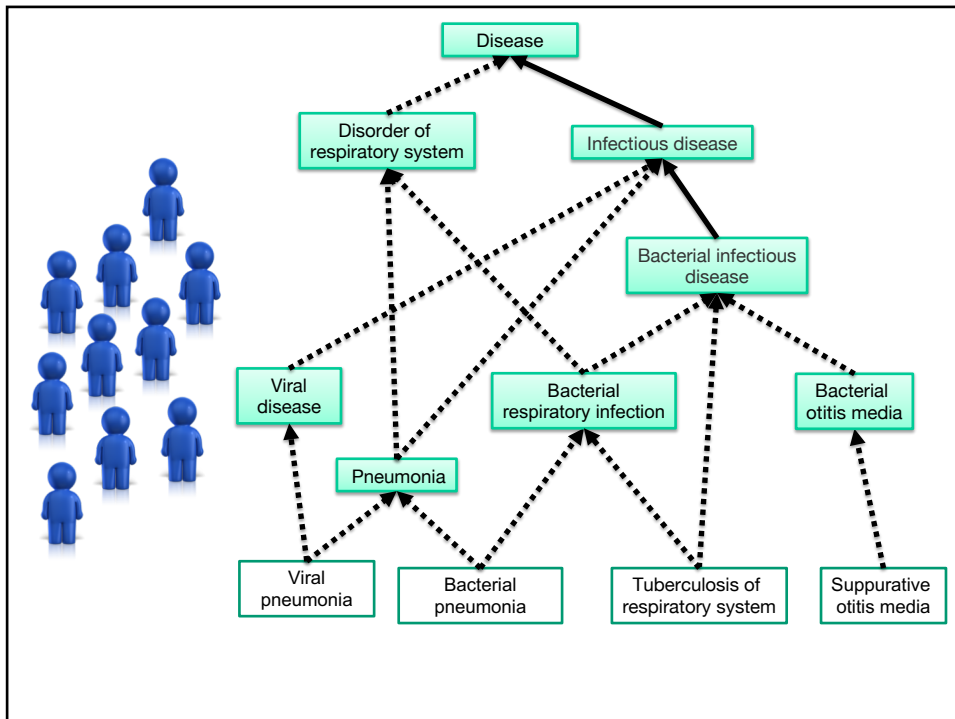
- Infective pneumonia (disorder)
- Viral lower respiratory infection (disorder)

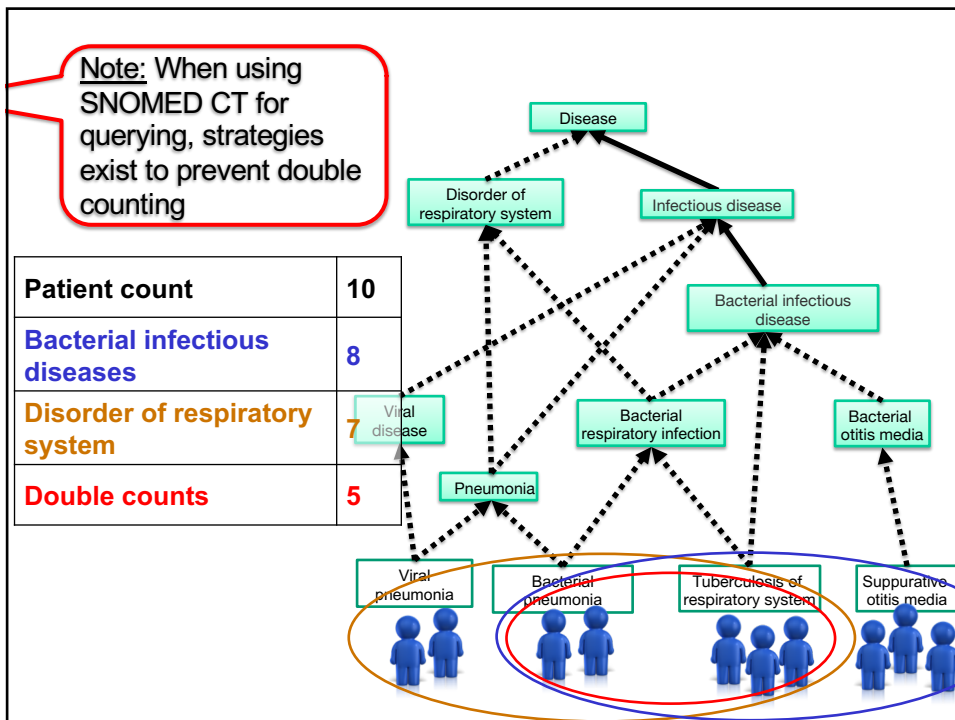
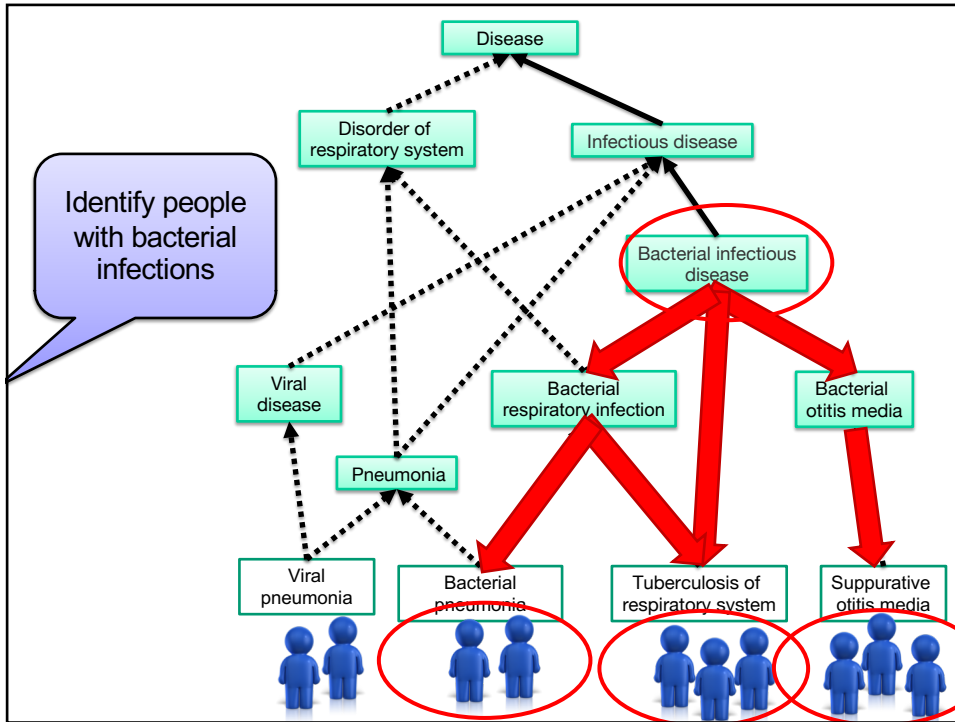
Viral pneumonia (disorder)
SCTID: 75570004
75570004 | Viral pneumonia (disorder) |

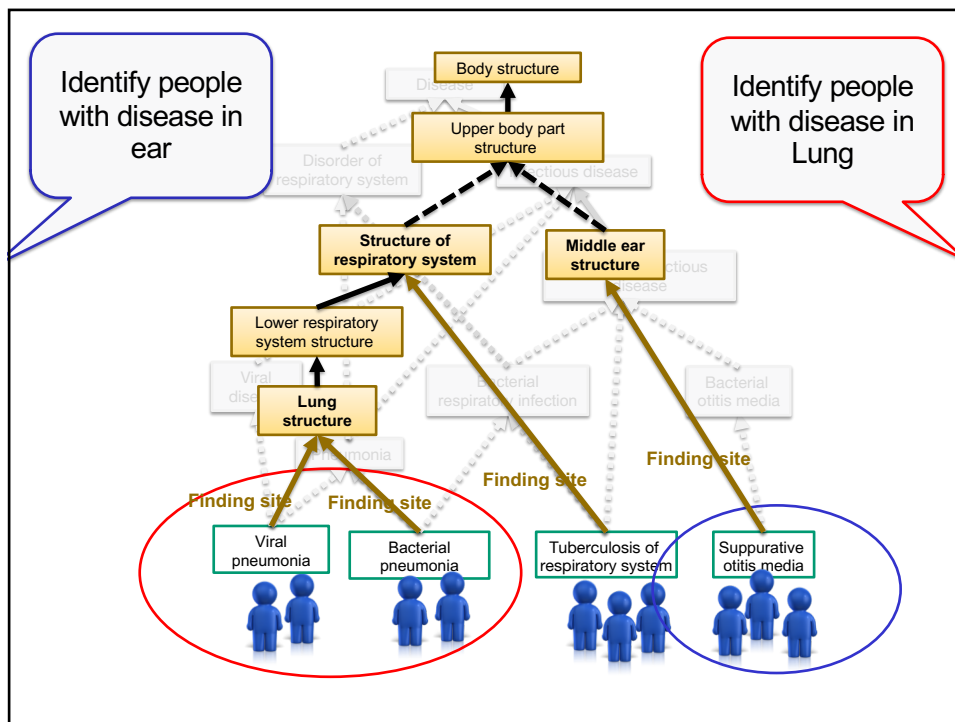
Pathological process → Infectious process
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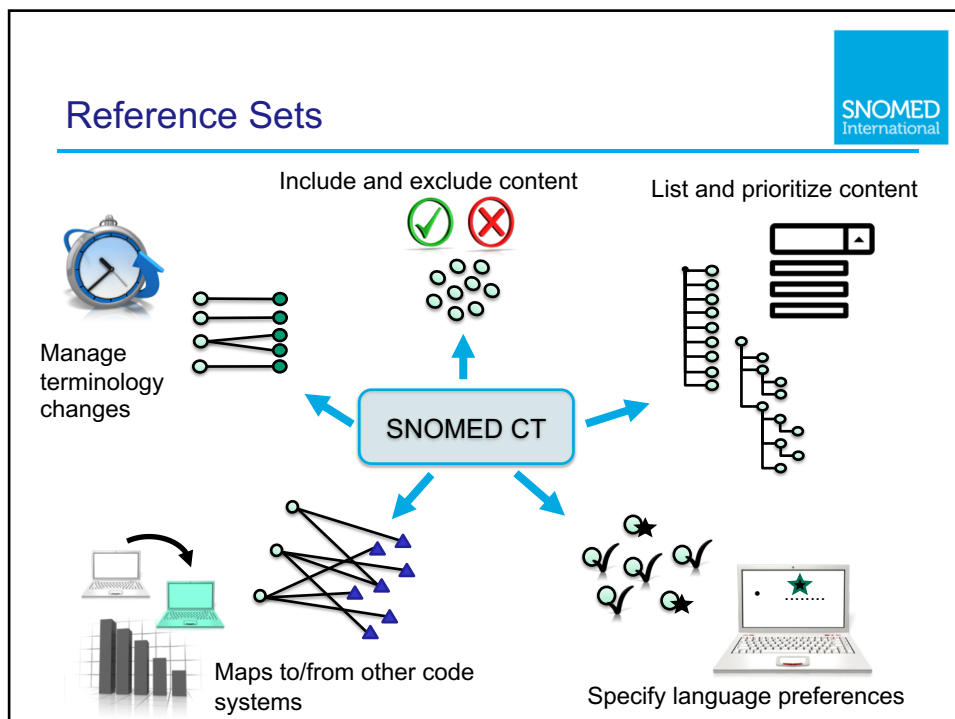
Extensions




- Additional content for local use
 - To meet the needs of countries, specialties and realms
 - To meet vendor needs
 - To meet local business needs
- May include local
 - Concepts, relationships, descriptions
 - Subsets, Language, Maps
- Must have one or more authorized namespaces
 - Ensures global uniqueness of identifiers



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Subset

A collection of components for a particular purpose


Id	Term
82272006	Common cold
6142004	Influenza
55604004	Avian influenza


id	effective Time	active	moduleId	refsetId	referenced ComponentId
0000d6608041-005b-5108-b608-07891b210365	20140731	1	19999999103	49999999102	82272006
00008774f374-5f54-5234-8af1-8aca6e73b5c2	20140731	1	19999999103	49999999102	6142004
00006ac9-2f97-5ed4-b37e-84cb158c388d	20140731	1	19999999103	49999999102	55604004



Subset Development

- **Membership is defined by enumeration**
 - Identifying each of the members individually





- ▲ General finding of observation of patient (finding)
- ▼ Finding of general observation of appearance (finding)
 - Beautiful appearance (finding)
 - Bizarre personal appearance (finding)
 - Blue bloater (finding)
 - Comfortable appearance (finding)
 - ▶ Finding of appearance relating to age (finding)
 - ▶ Finding of general form of body (finding)
 - General appearance of patient (finding)
 - ▼ Generally clean appearance (finding)
 - On examination - clean and tidy (finding)
 - ▼ Neglected appearance (finding)
 - On examination - care poor (finding)
 - No injuries apparent (finding)
 - Normal appearance (finding)
 - Normal extension (finding)
 - Normal flexion (finding)
 - ▶ On examination - appearance (finding)
 - Parkinsonian features (finding)
 - ▶ Personal appearance about reported age (finding)
 - ▼ Personal appearance dirty (finding)
 - Clothing dirty (finding)
 - Hands dirty (finding)
 - On examination - unclean (finding)
 - Pink puffer (finding)
 - ▼ State of dress finding (finding)
 - Clothing dirty (finding)
 - ▶ Dressed - appearance (finding)
 - Undressed (finding)
 - ▼ Well cared for appearance (finding)
 - Adequately dressed (finding)
 - On examination - care good (finding)
 - Smartly dressed (finding)

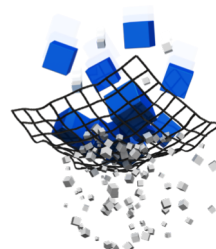
Example:

- 80670004 | Bizarre personal appearance (finding) |
- 398168006 | Generally clean appearance (finding) |
- 102892007 | Neglected appearance (finding) |
- 386549008 | Normal appearance (finding) |
- 78158007 | Personal appearance dirty (finding) |
- 397749000 | Well cared for appearance (finding) |

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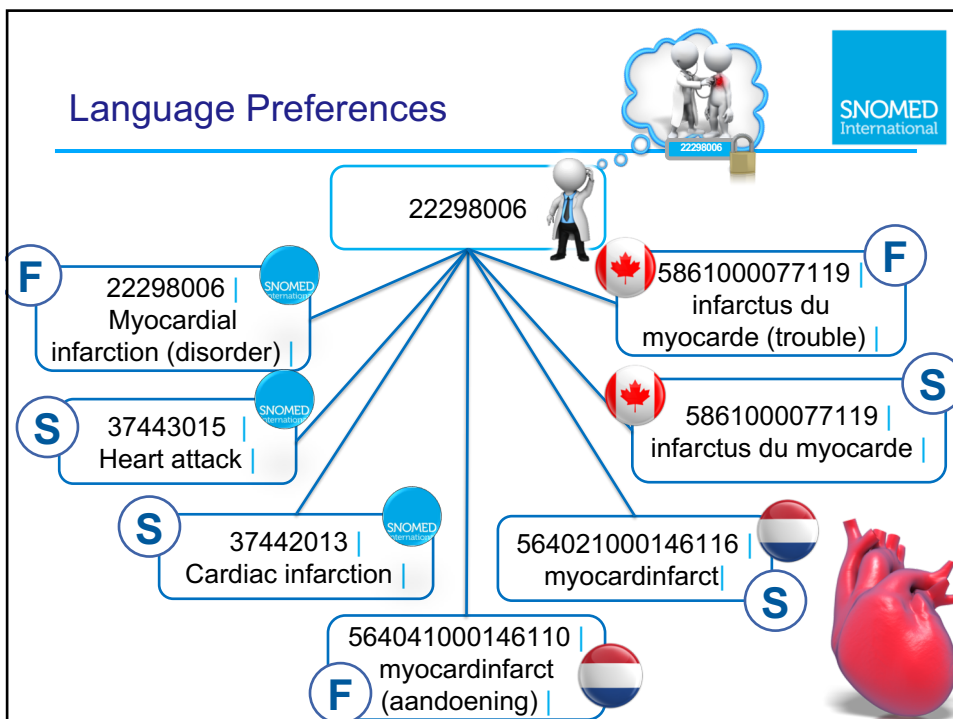
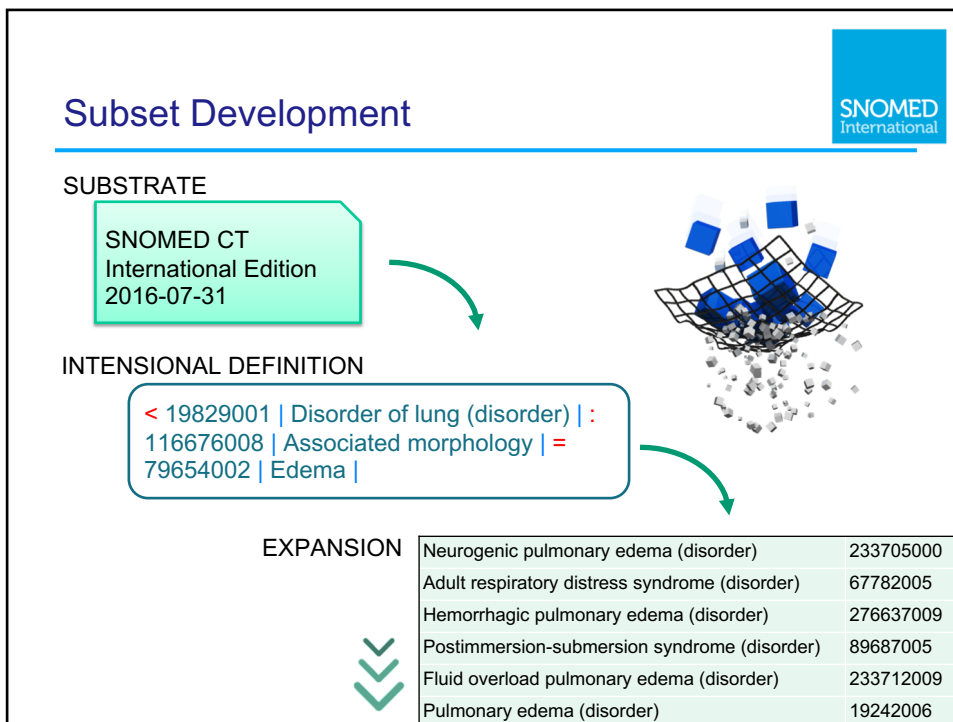
- **Membership is defined by a set of rules**
 - The rules are expressed as a query that computes the reference set members
- **SNOMED CT Expression Constraint**
 - A computable rule that can be used to define a bounded set of clinical meanings
 - <http://snomed.org/ecl>

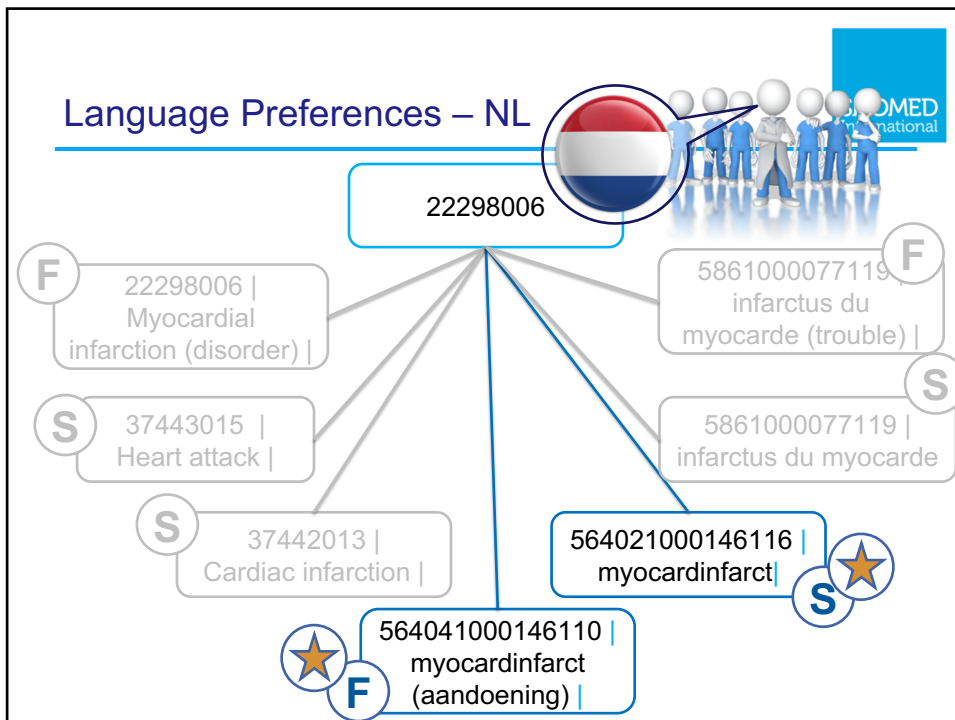
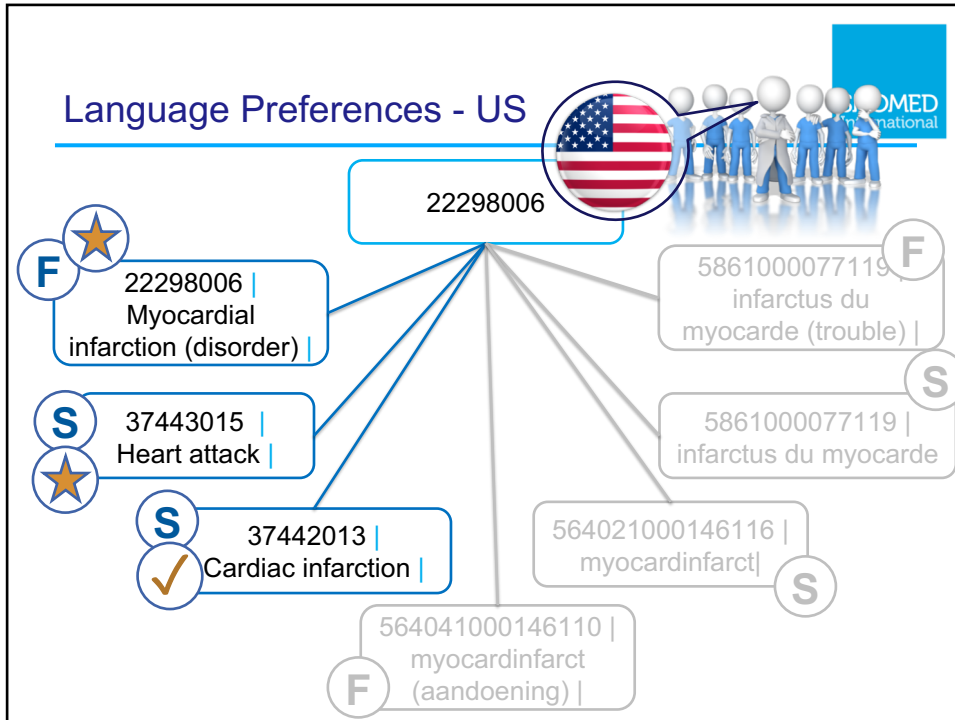


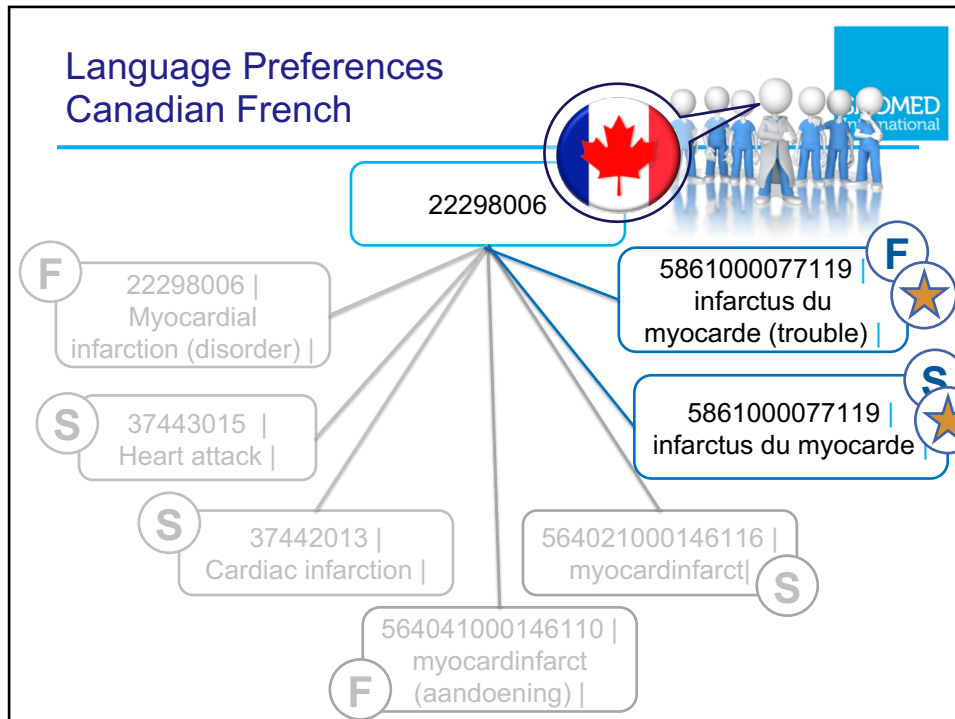
Examples:

<< 387714009 |Operation on lung (procedure)|

< 19829001 |Disorder of lung (disorder)| :
116676008 |associated morphology| = 79654002 |edema|







Canadian French Language Reference Set

FR-CA language reference set			
SNOMED CT description		Acceptability	
680211000077116	infarctus du myocarde (trouble)	900000000000548007	Preferred
5861000077119	infarctus du myocarde	900000000000548007	Preferred

Canadian French Language Reference Set

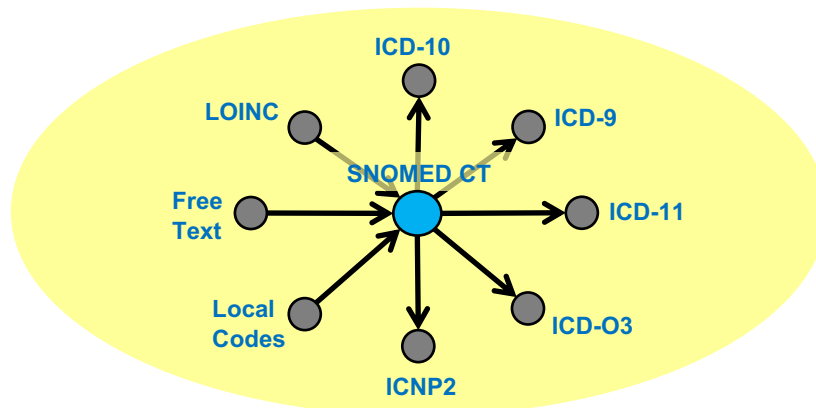


EN-CA language reference set			
SNOMED CT description		Acceptability	
751689013	myocardial infarction (disorder)	900000000000548007	preferred
37436014	myocardial infarction	900000000000548007	preferred
37442013	cardiac infarction	900000000000549004	acceptable
37443015	heart attack	900000000000549004	acceptable
37441018	infarction of heart	900000000000549004	acceptable
1784872019	MI - Myocardial infarction	900000000000549004	acceptable
1784873012	myocardial infarct	900000000000549004	acceptable

SNOMED CT and Other Coding Systems



SNOMED CT acts as bridge between other code systems



Enables cross-domain queries and analysis

Map Example




Between SNOMED CT and an external code system

ICD-O simple map reference set			
SNOMED CT concept		ICD-O code	
243930007	entire spine	C41.2	Vertebral column
372177002	entire nail plate	C44.9	Skin, NOS
61685007	lower limb structure	C76.5	lower limb, NOS
447643008	vipoma	8155/1	vipoma, NOS
127573000	neuroendocrine carcinoma, grade 2	8249/3	Neuroendocrine tumor, grade 2
447644002	benign stromal tumour	8935/0	stromal tumor, benign


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About
SNOMED CT**




SNOMED CT Implementation



- Continuous increase in the number and maturity of implementations around the world
- SNOMED CT implementation experiences
 - SNOMED in Action <http://snomedinaction.org/>




SNOMED CT Course Catalogue



<https://courses.ihtsdotools.org>

Foundation Course*	Curso de Fundamentos*	
SNOMED for Developers	SNOMED for Data Analysts	
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Overviews	Guides	Specifications	SNOMED CT Expo	Glossary

<http://snomed.org/doc>

- Introductory Guides
 - Starter Guide <http://snomed.org/sg>
 - Vendor Introduction <http://snomed.org/vendorintro>
 - Member (NRC) Guide <http://snomed.org/nrcguide>
- Specifications and Technical Guidance
 - Release file specifications
 - Computable language specifications
 - Terminology and record services
- Practical Guides
 - Search, Data entry, Decision support, Analytics, Reference sets, Extensions



Learning More About SNOMED CT

Expo 2019 tutorials

Thursday


13:30	Intelligent search and data entry	(90 min)
15:30	Data analytics and clinical decision support	(90 min)
15:30	An introduction to authoring	(90 min)

Friday

11:00	Developing subsets and reference sets	(90 min)
13:30	Understanding SNOMED CT's description logic enhancements	(90 min)


Presentation streams

- A – Demonstrating implementation excellence
- B – Enhancing clinical practice
- C – Terminology leading practices



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