

# Let us upgrade medical practice with Wikidata

A Panel

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Data Engineering and Semantics  
هندسة البيانات و دلالاتها



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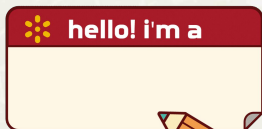
There will be brainstorming about Wikidata and healthcare

It begins with a 20-minute presentation about how Wikidata is currently used in medical practice. Then, there will be a 35-minute discussion between the panelist regarding the state-of-the-art and motivations of Wikidata for healthcare.

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# Speakers



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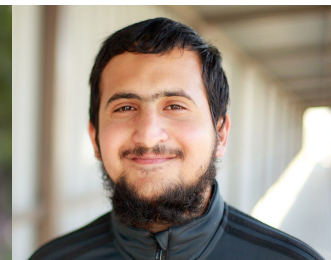
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Thursday, August 17 (15:30-16:30 Singapore)

# We are Wikimedians, not only Wikipedians.

We should benefit from every single  
open resource within our movement.

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## Wikidata

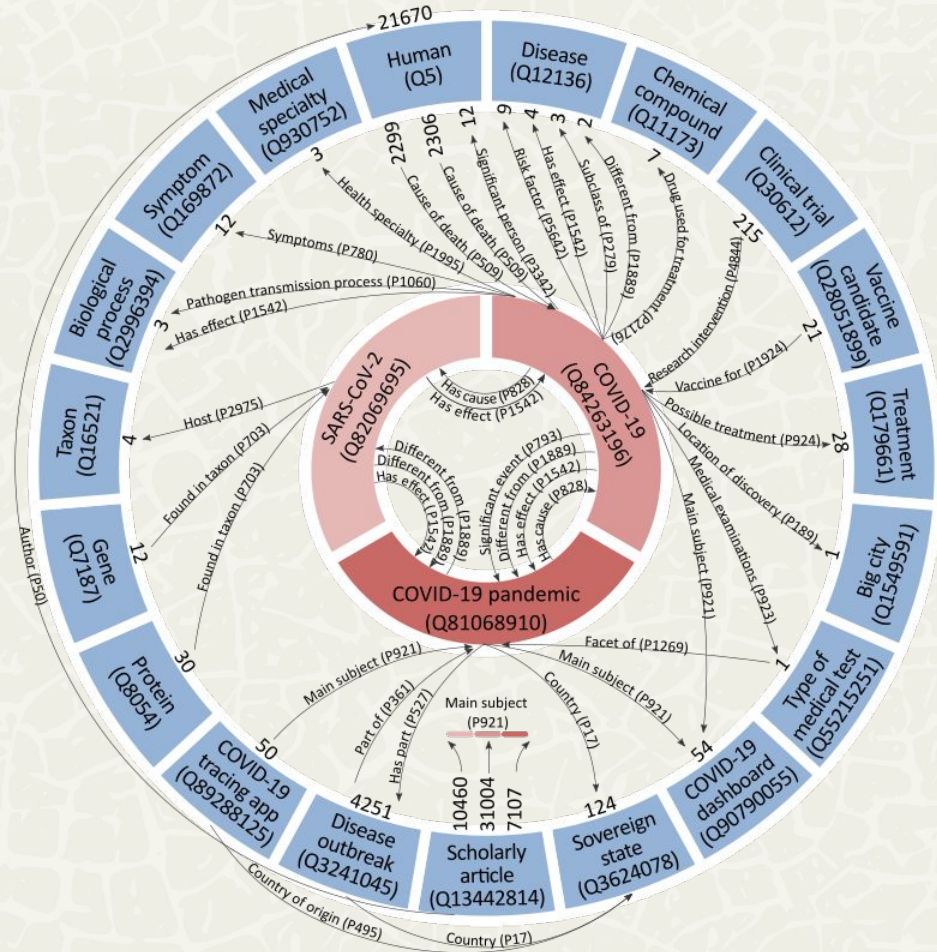
- Structured ontological database
- Statements in the form of triples
- Multilingual support
- Semantic alignment to external resources
- Plenty of tools for parsing and enriching the database
- Linked to Wikipedia



# A rich network of medical knowledge.

Supporting various aspects and easily extensible to cover new unsupported ones.

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# However...

## appendicitis (Q121041)

inflammation of the appendix

symptoms and signs



abdominal pain



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# However...

Mix'n'match - français

se connecter à *WiDaR* pour les actions

Rechercher

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Here, you can get the top 500 un-/auto-matched names shared by a set of catalogs. This may take a few seconds.

Catalogues: KEGG diseases; Genetics Home Reference Conditions; GARD rare disease; NORD Rare Disease Database; MeSH Diseases; Orphanet; eMedicine; National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke disorders; Medline Plus; NHS Health A to Z; HPO; PatientLikeMe treatment; Onkopedia; Lexikon der Biologie; WikiSkripta; LiverToxID; HemOnc.org; ICD-11 : Infectious diseases; YSO - Lääketiede; Pallipedia; Engelhardt Lexikon Orthopädie und Unfallchirurgie

Required catalogs 3964,2880,583,2961,663,870,2990,376

Recharger

1. Baclofen (3 catalogues distincts)
2. Nausea and vomiting (3 catalogues distincts)
3. Danazol (3 catalogues distincts)
4. Nutrition (3 catalogues distincts)
5. Immune Thrombocytopenia (3 catalogues distincts)
6. Diclofenac (3 catalogues distincts)
7. Delirium (3 catalogues distincts)
8. Falls (3 catalogues distincts)
9. Anemia (3 catalogues distincts)
10. Phosphoglycerate Kinase Deficiency (3 catalogues distincts)
11. Fatigue (3 catalogues distincts)
12. SETBP1 disorder (3 catalogues distincts)
13. Naproxen (3 catalogues distincts)
14. Melanom (2 catalogues distincts)
15. Medulla spinalis (2 catalogues distincts)
16. Menarche (2 catalogues distincts)
17. Metamizol (2 catalogues distincts)

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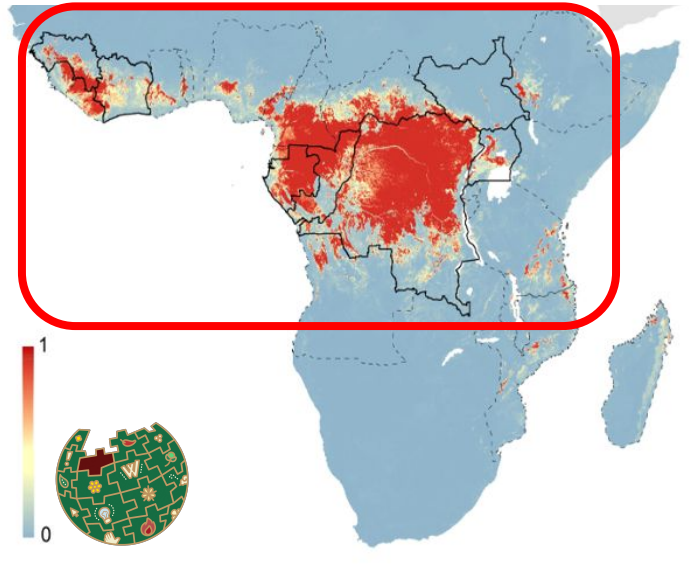
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# However...

## Ebola hemorrhagic fever (Q51993)

human disease

Ebola | Ebola fever | Ebola disease | Hemorrhagic Fever, Ebola | Ebola virus disease | EVP | EHP



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## Wikidata:Database reports/EntitySchema directory

< Wikidata:Database reports

This is a programmatically generated directory of EntitySchemas. Any changes made to this page will be lost during the next update. To configure how this page is generated see the Configuration. Updated: 2023-07-01 13:20 (UTC)

### Contents [hide]

3 biology  
4 chemistry  
16 molecular biology  
18 science  
20 taxon

**No EntitySchema for surgical therapies.**

## appendectomy (Q620840)

surgical removal of the vermiform appendix  
appendectomy

 edit

▼ In more languages

Configure

Language	Label	Description	Also known as
English	appendectomy	surgical removal of the vermiform appendix	appendectomy

### Statements

instance of	<span>ectomy</span>	 edit
	of	<span>appendix</span>
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## Behçet's disease (Q911427)

rare immune-mediated small-vessel systemic vasculitis in humans

[has phenotype](#)



uveitis

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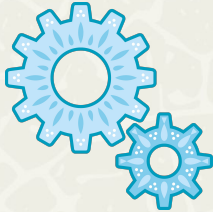
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# What we need to do



Raising awareness about Wikidata as an open medical resource.



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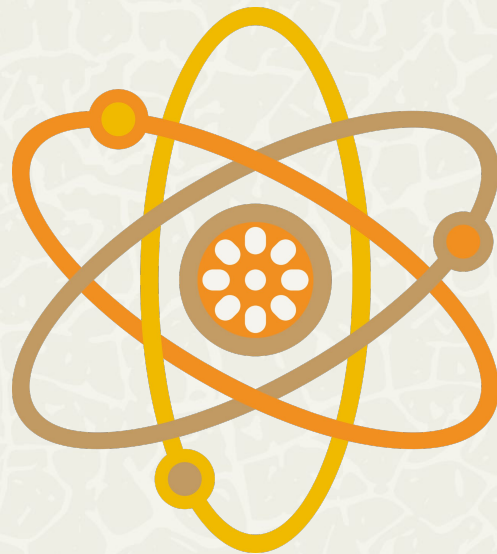


Creating tools to reuse medical knowledge in Wikidata.

# Raising awareness about Wikidata as an open medical resource

Convincing communities of the value of  
Wikidata as an open biomedical  
database

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# Making Wikidata useful for the Wikimedia community

Maintaining the original function of Wikidata as a support to other projects

**Source:** Pfundner, A., Schönberg, T., Horn, J., Boyce, R. D., & Samwald, M. (2015). Utilizing the Wikidata system to improve the quality of medical content in Wikipedia in diverse languages: a pilot study. *Journal of medical Internet research*, 17(5), e4163. doi:[10.2196/jmir.4163](https://doi.org/10.2196/jmir.4163).



# Sharing Wikidata with the scientific community

Showing Wikidata as a flexible hub for semantic web research

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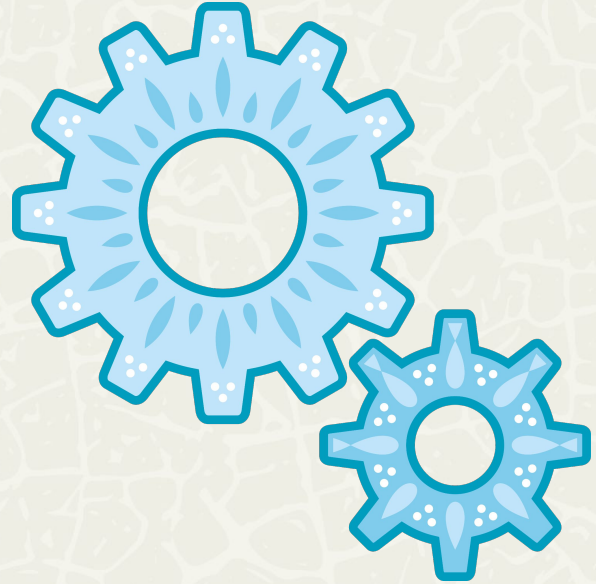




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Creating a knowledge-based system for enhancing Wikidata as an open biomedical database

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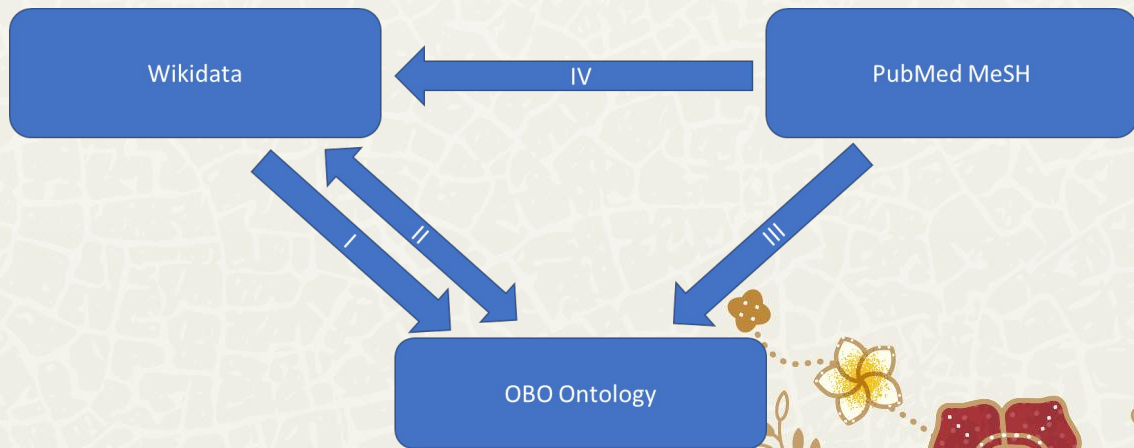




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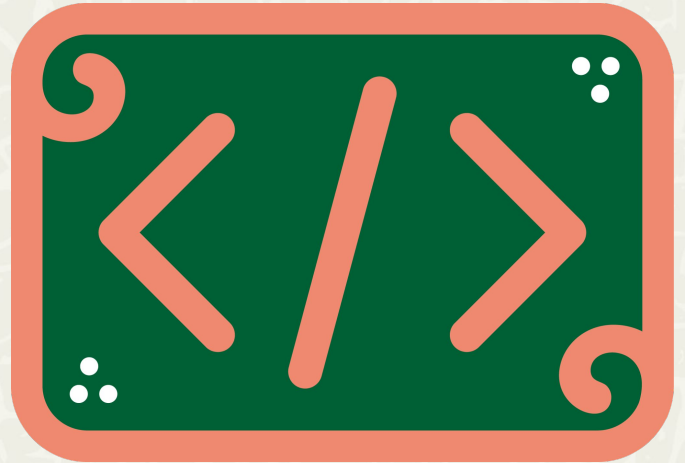
- I. Verifying the alignment between Wikidata items and OBO ontology items
- II. Verifying the alignment between Wikidata relations and OBO ontology relations
- III. Finding missing relations through co-occurrence analysis of PubMed MeSH Keywords
- IV. Adding references from PubMed to unsupported Wikidata statements



# Creating tools to reuse medical knowledge in Wikidata

Developing real-world medical applications of Wikidata

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# Computers will not take the place of physicians

They will help physicians with **4D jobs**:  
**D**irty, **D**ull, **D**angerous, and **D**ear

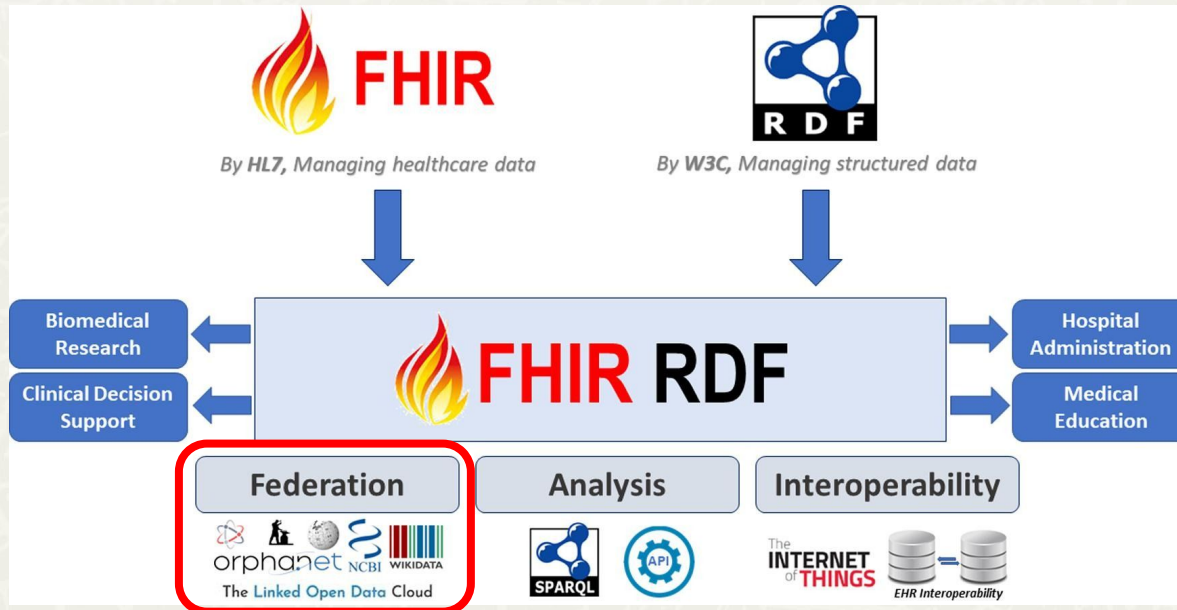
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# Wikidata-supported medical reasoning on EHR data

Mirroring Wikidata to semantically analyze electronic health records



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# MedCYN

An interactive web tool for clinical decision support based on Wikidata Query Service.



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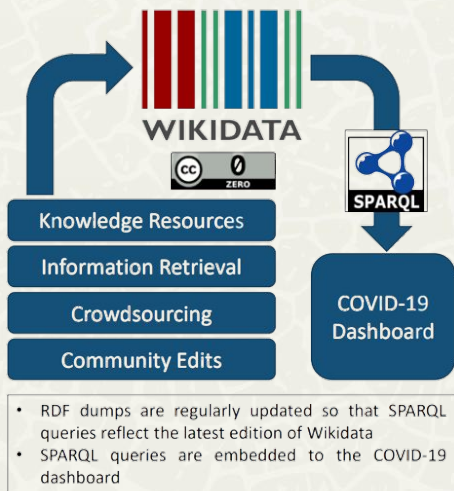
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# COVID-19 dashboards

A web service providing a real-time update of the status of the COVID-19 pandemic



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# Question 1

What are good examples of Wikidata benefiting patient care or public health on a local or global level?

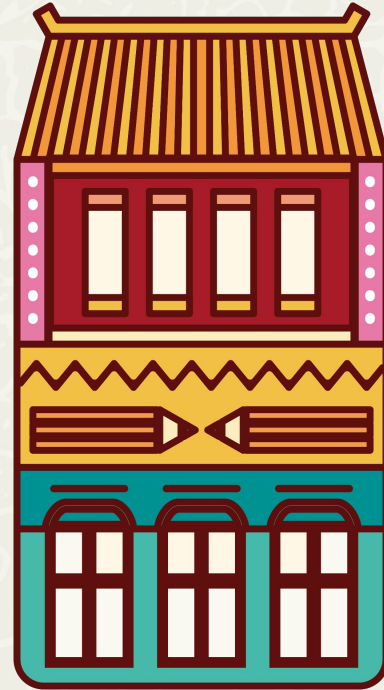
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## Question 2

What are the main pros and cons of Wikidata as a central medical knowledge hub vs. traditional databases?

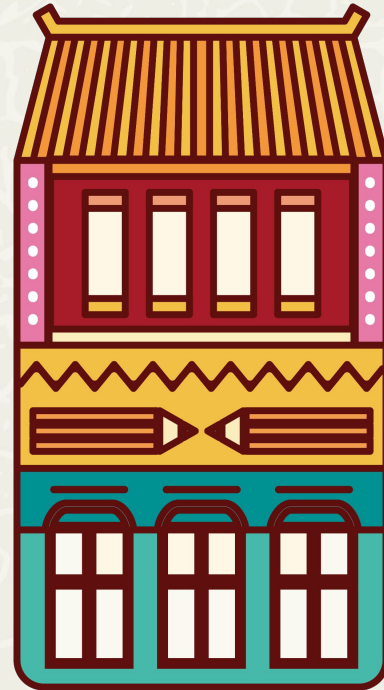
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## Question 3

What is Wikidata's role in enhancing situational awareness for emergency responders and medical teams?

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## Question 4

In what ways does the utility of Wikidata differ between common and rare diseases?

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## Question 5

How can healthcare providers be motivated to contribute to curating Wikidata and maintaining data quality?

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# Any question

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