



**Biomedical Concepts: Vision and Value for the Community** 

Presented by Bess LeRoy & Jon Neville, CDISC



#### **Meet the Speakers**

#### Jon Neville

Title: Senior Standards Developer

**Organization: CDISC** 

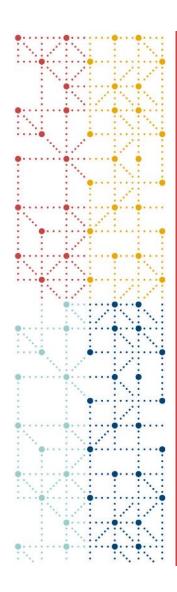
Jon got his start in CDISC standards working on a legacy data conversion project to create an integrated online SDTM data repository of 24 studies of Alzheimer's disease. He has since gained extensive experience with developing CDISC standards and has led, co-led or otherwise assisted in the development of more than 15 CDISC therapeutic area user guides. He is currently leading the development of a CDISC publication on considerations for using SDTM in observational studies

#### Bess LeRoy

Title: Head of Standards Innovation

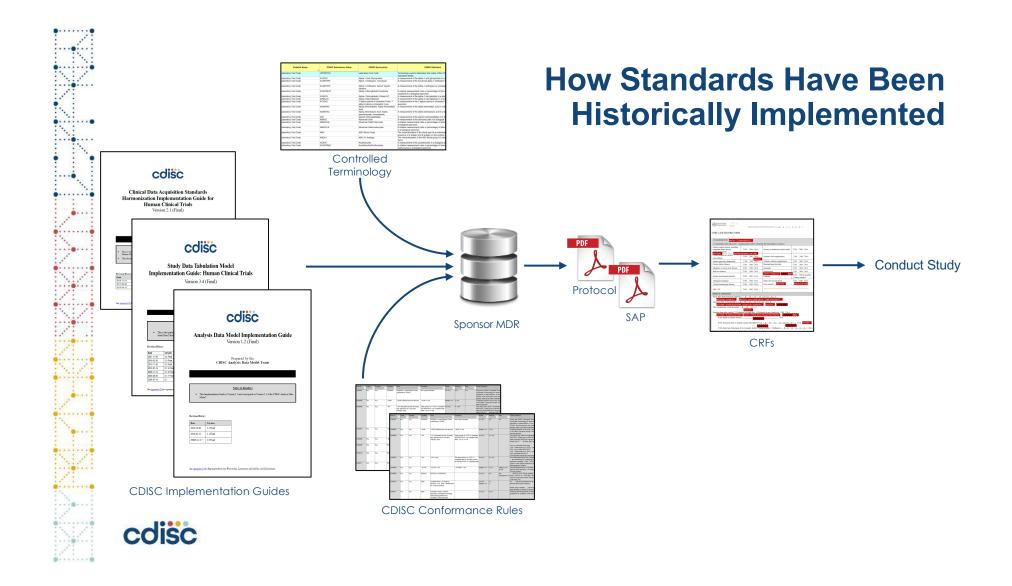
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Bess has been a CDISC team member since 2011. She is a member of the CDISC Technical Leadership Team and leads the CDISC Global Governance Group. Bess has over 15 years' experience working in public health research and has held positions at the Framingham Heart Study, the Rotterdam Study, the Arizona Cancer Center, and the Critical Path Institute



#### Agenda

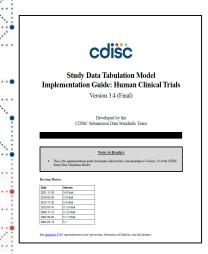
- 1. Background
- 2. CDISC COSMoS: Conceptual & Operational Standards Metadata Services
- 3. Looking Towards the Future



#### Simple Example...

Representing vital signs in SDTM using this approach





#### SDTMIG: 461 pages

Codelist Name	CDISC Submission Value	COISC Synonym(s)	CDISC Definition
Laboratory Test Code	LETESTCO	Laboratory Test Code	Terminology used for laboratory lend codes of the CE Tubuston Model
Jaboratory Test Code	ALANTEPF	Alpha I Antitypen, Functional	A measurement of the functional alpha-1 antitrypsin is
Laboratory Test Code	ALANTEIP	Alpha I Antitypein; Serum Trypsin Indulary	A neasurement of the alpha-1 antitrypsin in a biologic
Laboratory Text Code	AMOREAT	Alpha 1 Microglobulin/Creatinine	A relative measurement (ratio or percentage) of the a creationne in a biological specimen.
Laboratory Test Code	A790XC	7-Alpha hydrory 4-cholesian-3-one; 7- alpha Metrory 4-cholesten-3-one;	A measurement of the T-alpha-hydroxy-4-cholesten- tourines
Laboratory Text Code	AANNPAC	Alpha Amiroadpatir, Alpha Amiroadpic Aud	A measurement of the alpha-aminoadipic acid in a b
Laboratory Test Code	AMMERIC	Alpha Armobulyric Acid, Alpha- aminobulyrate, Tomoslandra	A measurement of the alpha aminobulyric acid in a l
aboratory Test Code	ABNOS		A measurement of the abnormal cells in a biological
Laboratory Text Code	ABNOSOS	Abnormal Celtu/Total Celts	A relative measurement (ratio or percentage) of about a belooked specimen.
Laboratory Test Code	ARVOILE	Althornal Cells/Leukocyles	A relative measurement (ratio or percentage) of above, a historical scenarior.
Laboratory Test Code	480	ABO Blood Group	The characterization of the blood type of an industry
Laboratory Test Code	ABOA1	ABO A1 Subtype	The characterization of the ABO blood group A1 sub INCO
Laboratory Test Code	ACANTRIC	Acanthocyles/Crythrocyles	A relative measurement (ratio or percentage) of acan

Controlled Terminology

Controlled Terminology: >35,000 terms in almost 1000 code lists



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Repeat 100s of times for all your study data concepts...



Vital Signs Domain: Specification for how to construct vital signs data

vs.xp																					
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6	ABC	VS	ABC-001- 001	6	RESP	Respiratory Rate		34	breaths/min	34	34	breaths/min				Υ	1	Baseline	1	2022-06- 19	1
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Vital Signs Dataset

#### The Problem with This Approach

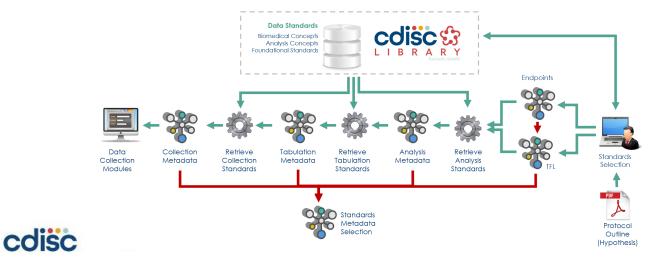
- Labor-intensive; requires extensive knowledge of standards documents
- Subject to interpretation (and therefore, misinterpretation)
- Can result in inconsistent implementation

The intense effort required is a barrier to standards adoption



#### **How We Evolve: CDISC Library**

- Electronically publish data standards as groups of linked metadata
- Define relationships between variables, associated terminology codelists, and linkages across standards
- CDISC 360 Piloted development of linked biomedical concept metadata to enable end to end automation

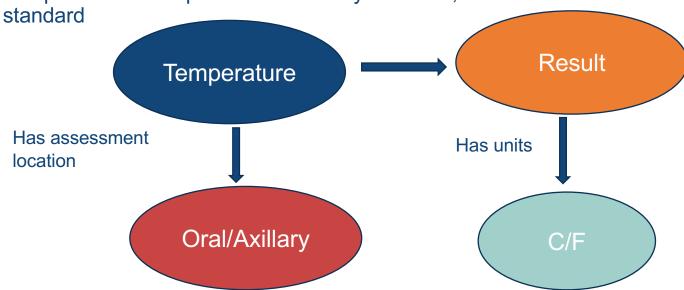


#### What Is a Biomedical Concept (BC)?

ISO 11179 Definition: A unit of knowledge created by a unique combination of characteristics

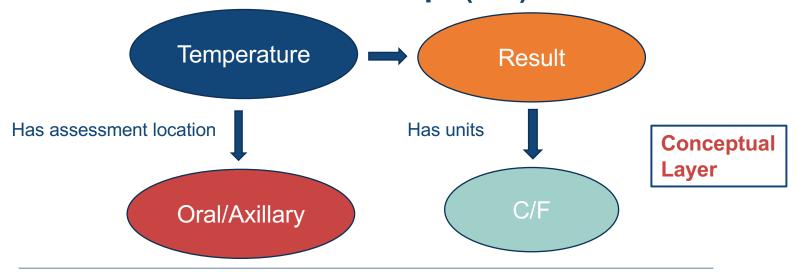
Independent of study

• Independent of a representation in any standard, but can be tethered to a





#### What Is a Biomedical Concept (BC)?



VSTEST	VSTESTCD	VSORRES	VSUNIT	VSLOC
Temperature	TEMP	101.3	F	ORAL

Implementation Layer



#### Why Develop BCs?

- Representation of CDISC standards as metadata (CDISC Library) helps promote automation of CDISC standards
- Developing BCs allows accurate and more consistent implementation of the conceptual content being implemented



#### Focus On Your Data. Let the Standards Come To YOU





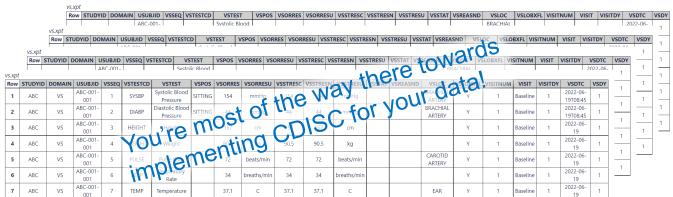






Library

Retrieve your BCs as machine-readable files







#### CDISC COSMoS

Conceptual & Operational Standards Metadata Services

#### What Is COSMoS?

A pragmatic, iterative approach to creating biomedical concepts with a focus on providing tangible value for the CDISC community

#### **Key Objectives:**

- Reduce variability in standards implementations
- Increase metadata-driven automation
- Reduce barriers to operational implementation



#### **Key Components of COSMoS**

**Conceptual Layer** 

Implementation Layer

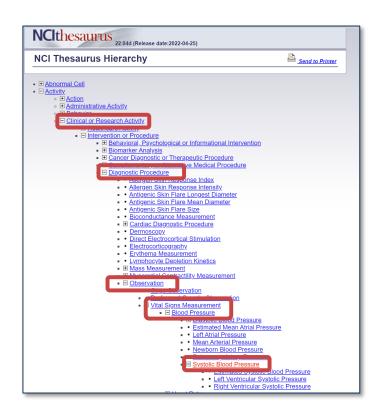
Logical Data Model



#### **Conceptual Layer**

- Consistent reference definitions provide consistent meaning across studies, all phases of development
- Data standard agnostic
- Rooted in NCI Hierarchy
- All indexed by C-Codes
- Provides for consistency in standards implementation





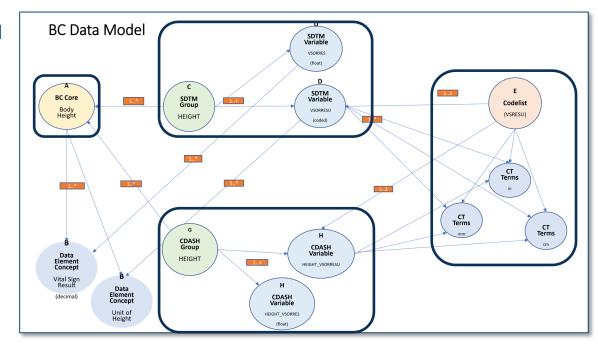
#### **Implementation Layer**

 Representation of a BC in a specific standard with implementation details such as value level metadata, formats, terminology



#### **Logical Data Model**

- Concept specific value level metadata
- Add explicit relationships between variables
- Additional operational metadata, e.g., data type, format, etc.
- Creation of structured machine-readable YAML files validated with conformance rules
- Searchable and retrievable via CDISC Library APIs

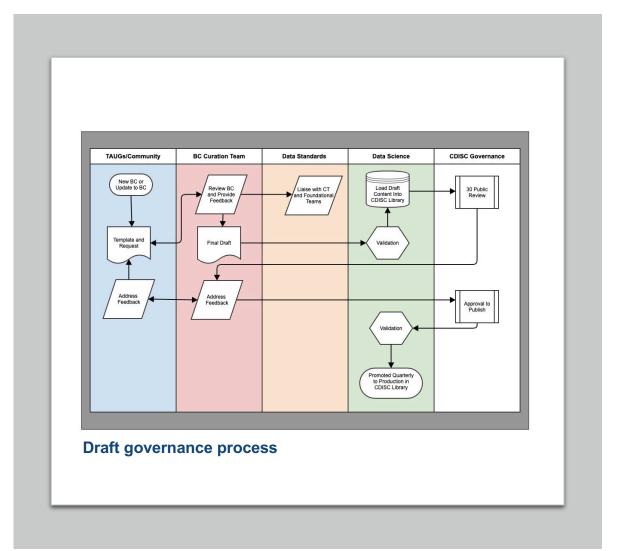




#### **BC** Governance

- Light-weight CDISC curation and governance process
- 30-day Public Review
- Published quarterly
- Mechanism for community change requests





#### Initial COSMoS Use Cases

Retrieve a list of assessments for a study

Publish BC content as Define-XML document including value level metadata



### Use Case 1: Support Study Design – Schedule of Assessments

#### **BC Conceptual Layer**

- Accurate and consistent implementation of conceptual content
- Retrievable standards agnostic assessments for a study SOA
- Includes pointers to pre-configured SDTM and CDASH dataset specializations

	Screening	Weeks from starting treatment pathway <sup>b</sup>								
Assessments	-2°	0°	2°	3°	6 <sup>c</sup>	8 <sup>c,d</sup>	96	16 <sup>c, e</sup>	17	
Informed consent	X									
Blood Tests <sup>gh</sup>	X							X		
ECG	X									
Medical History	X									
Physical and neurological assessment	X									
modified Toronto Clinical Neuropathy Score (mTCNS)	х									
Douleur Neuropathique 4 (DN4)	X									
Suicidal risk questionnaire	Х									
Concomitant Medications	х	Х	Х	Х	X	Х	х	X	Х	
Vital Signs <sup>1</sup>	х							X		
Pregnancy Test (for women of child bearing potential)		Xx		X	X		X	X		
Randomisation (treatment allocation)		Xk								
Dispense Study Medication		Х	X	X	X	X	х	Х		
Pain Diaries <sup>1</sup>	X	Х	Х	X	X	X	х	X		
Tolerability scale		Xx			X			Х		
Brief Pain Inventory-Modified Short Form (BPI-MSF)		Xk			X			X		
Insomnia Severity Index (ISI)		Xx			X			X		
Neuropathy Pain Symptom Inventory (NPSI)		Xk			X			Х		
Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale (HADS)		Xx			X			X		
RAND Short Form 36 (RAND SF-36)		Xk			X			X		
EQ-5D-5L		Xx			X			Х		
Client Service Receipt Inventory (CSRI)		Xk			X			Х		
Pain Catastrophising Scale (PCS)		Xx								
Adverse Events Assessment		X,	Х	X	X	X	х	X	Х	
Compliance Assessment		X,	Х	Х	X	Х	х	X	Х	
Patient Global Impression of Change (PGIC)								X		

### **Use Case 2: Define-XML – Value Level Metadata**

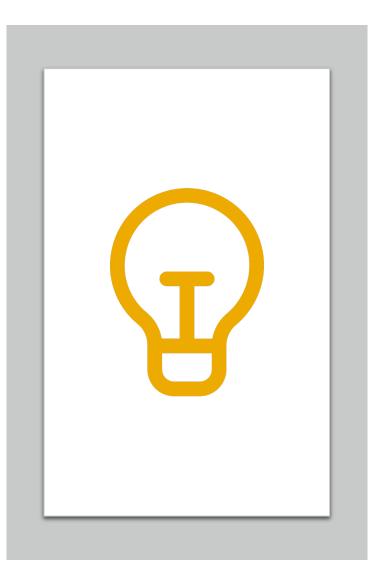
#### Pre-configured Define-XML Building Blocks

- Practical implementation of BCs at the SDTM implementation layer
- Pre-configured and ready to go value level metadata
- Templates to support consistent curation
- Fully opinionated and out of the box allows for tweaks as needed
- Immediate benefit to data management and programming producing SDTM



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{
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    "isNonStandard": false,
    "codelist": {...
    },
    "assignedTerm": {
        "conceptId": "C25347",
        "value": "HEIGHT"
        },
        "role": "Topic",
        "relationship": {
              "subject": "VSTESTCD",
              "linkingPhrase": "is decoded by the value in",
              "predicateTerm": "IS_DECODED_BY",
              "object": "VSTEST"
        },
        "comparator": "EQ",
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#### **Learn More at Session 6B!**

#### Session 6, Track B - Business Optimization & Technical Topics

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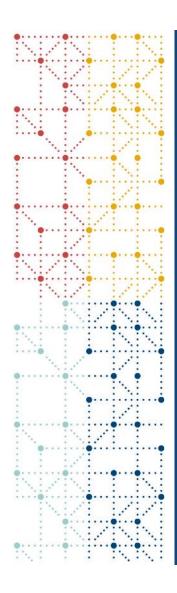
Chair: Anthony Chow, CDISC

Ballroom B

11:00 - 11:30

COSMoS Technical Implementation, API Layer and Use Cases

Lex Jansen & Linda Lander, CDISC



#### **Looking Towards the Future**

- Adding CDISC Library functionality
- Adding to conceptual and implementation layers

#### **Adding Functionality to CDISC Library**



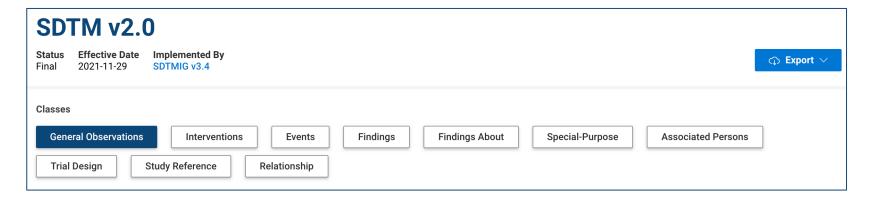
BCs and Implementations Accessible Through the Data Standards Browser



**BC** Authoring Tool

## Searchable and Retrievable BCs via CDISC Library APIs and Data Standards Browser





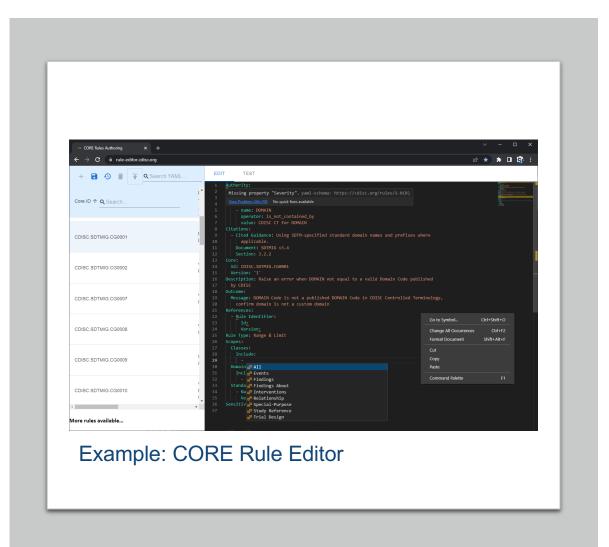


# **BC Authoring Tool**

#### Web-based editor

- YAML specification
- Conversion to JSON machine-executable code+
- Similar to CORE Rules Editor



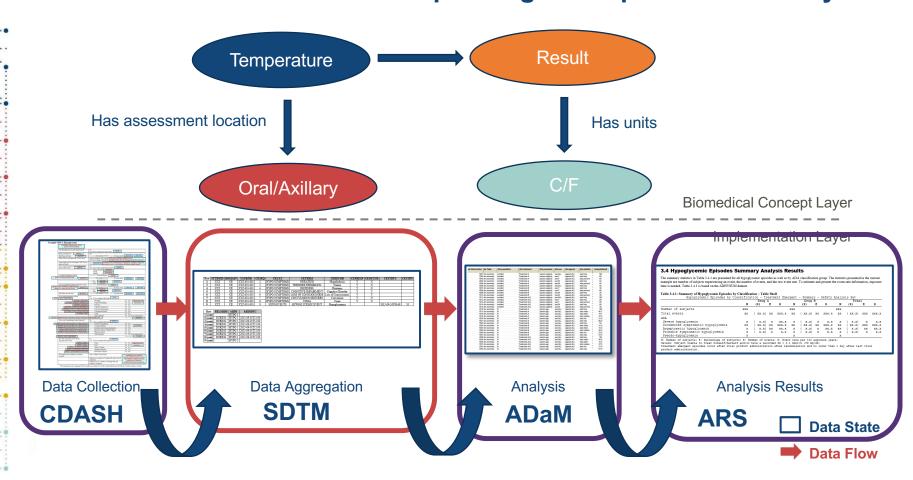


#### **Adding to Conceptual and Implementation Layers**

- End to end standardization
  - Addition of Collection and Analysis Concepts
  - Derivations and transformations
- Use Digital Data Flow initiative to generate schedule of assessments
- Development of BCs for all new standards
- Connecting to real-world data
- Community collaboration through the donation and curation of BCs



#### End to End Standardization: Expanding the Implementation Layer



# Use of BCs in TransCelerate Digital Data Flow Initiative (DDF)

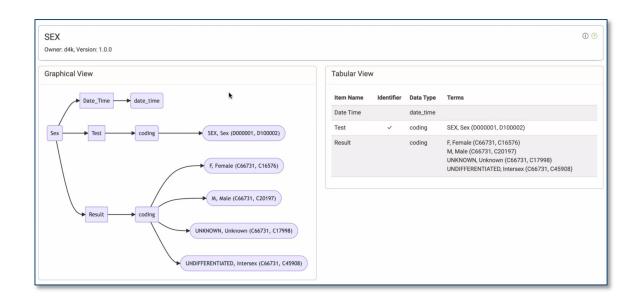


- The DDF initiative aims to modernize clinical trials by enabling a digital workflow to allow for the automated creation of study assets and configuration of study systems to support clinical trial execution.
- Use of BCs to support schedule of assessments

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Patient Global Impression of Change (PGIC)								X				

#### **Using BCs to Build Schedule of Assessments**

- Schedule of assessments consists of groupings of biomedical concepts
- Demographics
  - Sex
  - Date of Birth
  - Age
  - Race
  - Ethnicity

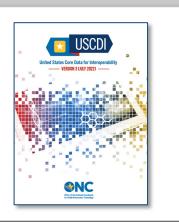




#### **Connecting to Real-World Data**

- FDA assessing the use of RWD to support regulatory decisions
- Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT (ONC) promotes the use of standards in health care
- The United States Core Data for Interoperability (USCDI) is a standardized set of data elements for nationwide, interoperable health information exchange
- Electronic health care record (EHR) systems will be required support the USCDI





#### Vital Signs

- Systolic Blood Pressure
- Diastolic Blood Pressure
- Heart Rate
- Respiratory Rate
- **Body Temperature**
- Body Height
- **Body Weight**
- **Pulse Oximetry**
- Inhaled Oxygen
- Concentration
- BMI Percentile (2 20 years)
- Weight-for-length Percentile (Birth - 24 Months)
- Head Occipital-frontal Circumference Percentile (Birth- 36 Months)

#### **Linking Across Implementation Layers**













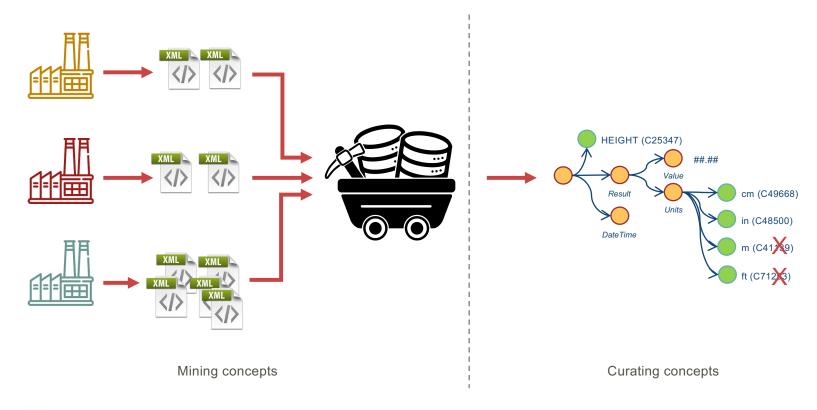
# Representation of USCDI in HL7 FHIR and CDISC SDTM

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Not ruspanie or Latino	2186-5	NO HISPANIC OR LATINO	222				
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# Community Collaboration



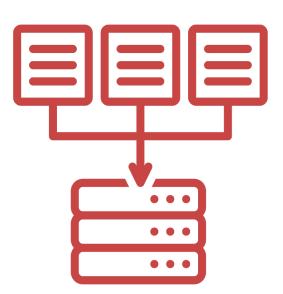
#### **Mining and Curation Collaboration**





#### **Additional Sources of BCs**

- Mining datasets
- Donation of company created BCs
- Code Table mapping files
- LOINC to LB mapping
- NCI Thesaurus

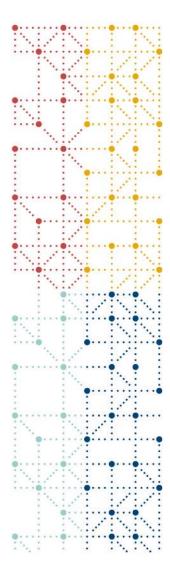




#### **Summary/Conclusions**

- BCs provide consistent meaning around collected concepts
  - Everyone is speaking the same language
  - Conceptual layer details provide for easily browsable catalog to drill down into the data you need to collect
- BCs have the power to significantly lower barriers to implementation of standards
  - Start with the concepts, the standards implementation details come along with them
  - Sponsors no longer need to spend as much effort poring over documentation to match their data with implementation details
- BCs provide consistent implementation of standards





#### **Thank You!**

