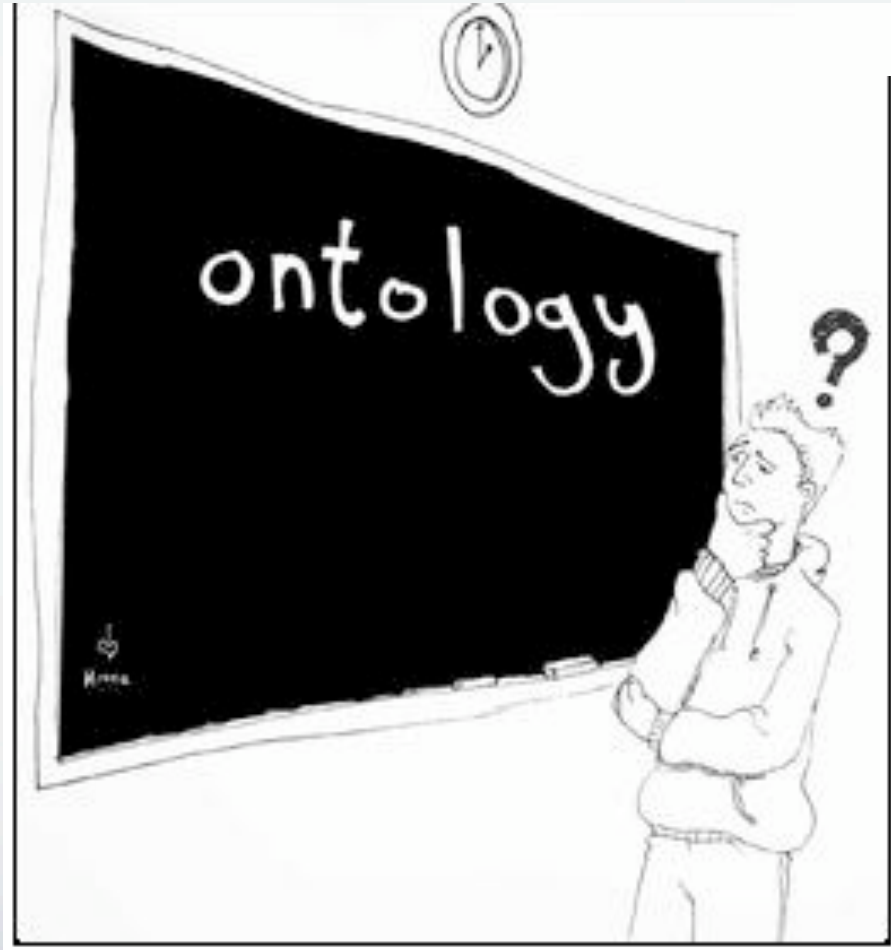


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## Background

Immunology wet lab experience for more than 15 years

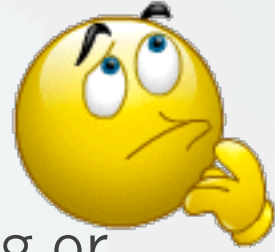
- Working in Biomedical ontology since 2008
- Working with Gene Ontology, Cell Ontology, Protein Ontology, Infectious Disease Ontology, Ontology for Biomedical Investigators  
Since 2008



**Ontology as a branch of philosophy is the science of what is, of the kinds and structures of the objects, properties and relations in every area of reality.**

From *onto-logos*, the science of being.

# Confusion with the word ontology ?



## **Controlled Vocabulary:**

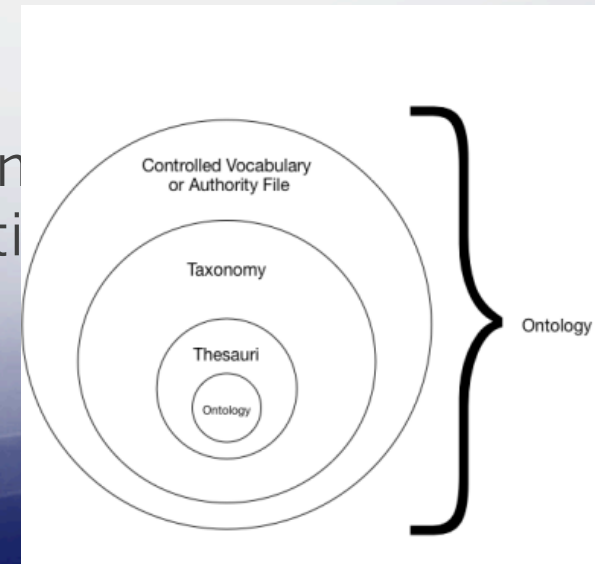
Is a restricted list of words used for labeling, indexing or categorizing

## **Taxonomy:**

Is a classification system. The taxonomy in a controlled vocabulary indicates a hierarchical structure based on an IsA relationship

## **Ontology:**

Is a controlled vocabulary with a taxonomy  
more complex than just IsA relationships



# ONTOLOGY

List of terms in a specific domain that have different type of relationships in addition to IsA relation and have textual and logical definitions.

# What is an ontology (in Computer Science)

- Provides a **schema** for organizing data
- Data **annotation** (e.g. NLP) and **reusability**
- Underlying concept for **semantic web** (World Wide Web Consortium Web 3C)
- Allows semantic **reasoning** by computer systems (Computable)
- Results in **improved web searchers** (e.g. Google, Microsoft, Facebook)
- In **biomedical** research used for: classification of data, representation of standards, enhanced searches



# Ontology Key Points

- Ontology provides unique identifiers for classes and relations that represent a phenomena within a specific domain.
- Ontology provides labels for classes and relations.
- Ontology provides metadata associated with classes and relations that allow human users to understand their meaning and contribute to consistent use in annotation and other applications.
- Ontology provides axioms and formal definitions that enable computational access to some aspects of the meaning of the classes and relations.
- Combining the four main features of ontology facilitates semantic integration of heterogeneous multimodal data within and across domains and enable novel data mining methods that span traditional boundaries between domains and data types.

# Biomedical Ontology

Scientific ontologies have special features  
Every term must be such that the developers of the  
ontology believe it to refer to some entity on the  
basis of the best current scientific evidence  
(Important role of instances that we can observe in  
the laboratory)



# A methodology for building and testing ontologies

applied thus far in the biomedical domain on:

- FMA
- FuGO
- GO + other OBO Ontologies
- HL7-RIM
- ICF (International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health)
- ISO Terminology Standards
- NCI Thesaurus
- SNOMED
- UMLS Semantic Network

**Upper Level ontologies are ontologies that consist of very general terms common across all domains. Application ontologies are ontologies that consist of very specific term in a particular domain**

# Formal ontologies

Upper ontology

BFO – Basic Formal Ontology

BORO – Business Objects Reference Ontology

CIDOC Conceptual Reference Model

Cyc (Cyc is not just an upper ontology, it also contains many mid-level and specialized ontologies as well)

UMBEL – Upper Mapping and Binding Exchange Layer, a subset of OpenCyc

DOLCE – Descriptive Ontology for Linguistic and Cognitive Engineering

GFO – General Formal Ontology

SUMO – Suggested Upper Merged Ontology

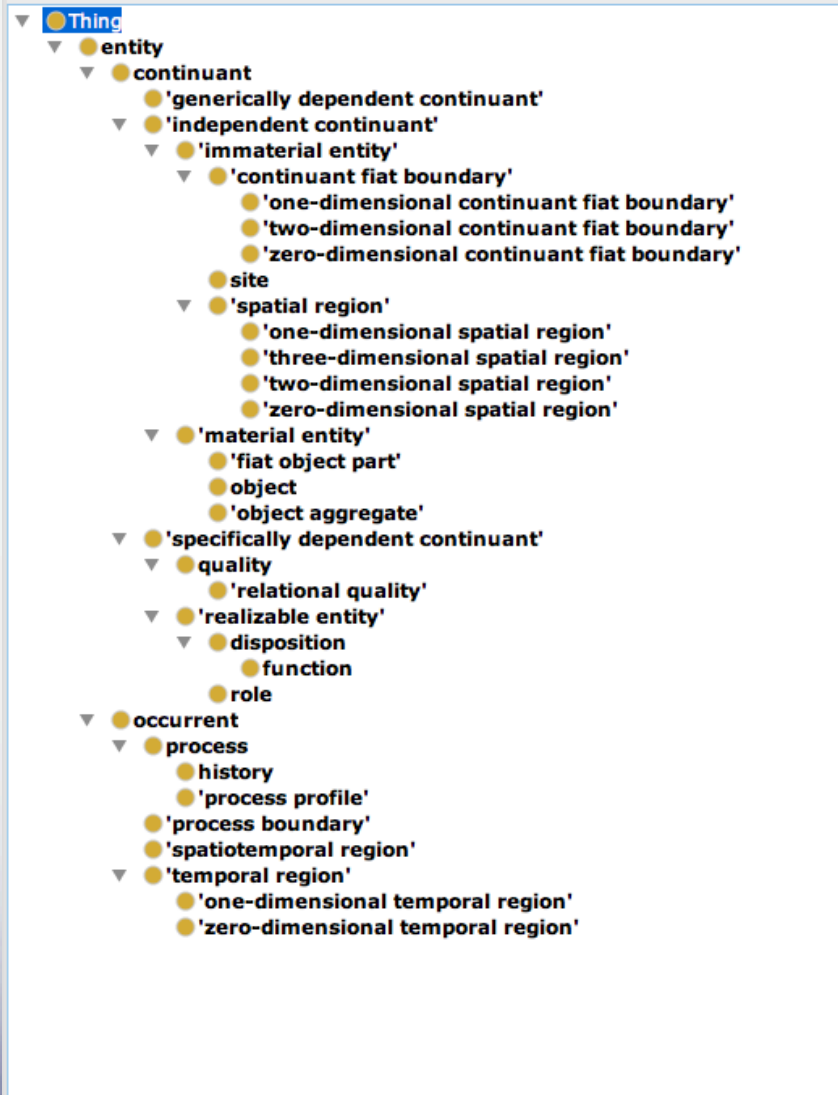
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# BFO

# BASIC FORMAL ONTOLOGY

The Basic Formal Ontology is a small, upper level ontology that is designed for use in supporting information retrieval, analysis and integration in scientific and other domains. BFO is a genuine upper ontology. Thus it does not contain physical, chemical, biological or other terms which would properly fall within the coverage domains of the special sciences. BFO is used by more than 250 ontology-driven endeavors throughout the world. <http://ifomis.uni-saarland.de/bfo/>

# BFO STRUCTURE



# National Cancer Institute Thesaurus

Summary Classes Properties Notes Mappings Widgets

Jump To:

- Objective
- Observer
- Occupation or Discipline
  - Behavioral Sciences
    - Psychology
  - Biological Sciences
    - Anatomical Sciences
    - Biochemistry
    - Biology
    - Biophysics
    - Histology**
    - Immunology
    - Neurosciences
    - Pharmacology
    - Physiology
    - Psychobiology
  - Complementary and Alternative Medicine
    - Alternative Medical System
    - Chinese Meridian Theory
    - Lifestyle and Disease Prevention
    - Mind-Body System
    - Orthomolecular Medicine
  - Health Sciences
    - Allied Health Sciences
    - Clinical Sciences
    - Dentistry
    - Environmental Health Sciences
    - Nursing
    - Nutritional Science
  - Medical Science
    - Cancer Science
    - Immunooncology
    - Medicine
  - Occupation
    - Allied Health Profession
    - Medical Occupation

Details	Visualization	Notes ( 0 )	Class Mappings ( 27 )
Preferred Name	Histology		
Synonyms	Microanatomy		
Definitions	The study of the structure of the cells and their arrangement to constitute tissues and, finally, the association among these to form organs. In pathology, the microscopic process of identifying normal and abnormal morphologic characteristics in tissues, by employing various cytochemical and immunocytochemical stains.		
ID	<a href="http://ncicb.nci.nih.gov/xml/owl/EVS/Thesaurus.owl#C16681">http://ncicb.nci.nih.gov/xml/owl/EVS/Thesaurus.owl#C16681</a>		
ALT_DEFINITION	The study of tissues and cells under a microscope.		
code	C16681		
Contributing_Source	FDA		
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FULL_SYN	Microanatomy		
label	Histology		
Legacy_Concept_Name	Histology		
Preferred_Name	Histology		
prefixIRI	C16681		
Semantic_Type	Biomedical Occupation or Discipline		
UMLS_CUI	C0019638		
subClassOf	<a href="#">Biological Sciences</a>		



# Ontology for Biomedical Investigations

Summary Classes Properties Notes Mappings Widgets

Jump To:

- planned process
  - animal feeding
- assay
  - 3D structure determination assay
  - activated partial thromboplastin time (aPTT) assay
  - age measurement assay
  - amplification of intermethylated sites (AIMS) assay
  - analyte assay
  - array based nucleic acid structure mapping assay
  - assay detecting IFN-gamma production
  - assay for transposase-accessible chromatin using se
  - bacterial one-hybrid
  - Bernoulli trial
  - binding assay
  - comet assay
  - copy number variation profiling
  - cytochalasin-induced inhibition of actin polymerizatic
  - cytometry assay
  - detection of molecular label
  - DNA replication timing by array assay
  - DNA sequence feature detection
  - DNA sequence variation detection
  - efficacy of epitope intervention experiment
  - electrophoretic mobility shift assay
  - epigenetic modification assay
  - extracellular electrophysiology recording
  - far-Western blot
  - fluorescence detection assay
  - gene dosage assay
  - gene knock-down assay
  - glucose tolerance test
  - handedness assay
  - hematology
  - histology**
  - hydrogen/deuterium exchange assay
  - imaging assay
  - immune epitope assay
  - immune response assay
  - in container assay
  - in live cell assay
  - in live organism assay
  - in situ hybridization
  - in vivo intervention experiment
  - infectious agent detection assay
  - intra cellular electrophysiology reco

Details	Visualization	Notes (0)	Class Mappings (33)
Preferred Name			histology
Synonyms			histopathology
Definitions			the visual examination of cells or tissue (or images of them) with an assessment regarding a quality of the cells or tissue. Parts are: staining, imaging, judgement
ID			http://purl.obolibrary.org/obo/OBI_0600020
achieves_planned_objective			assay objective
alternative term			histopathology
curator note			need to incorporate parts---\nThis is a very vague term, it should be in the same place as transcriptomics, proteomics metaboloimcs. It is the 'study' of tissues, not the process of studying tissues\nPRS:20090901: addition of alternative term = histopathology
definition source			OBI branch derived
editor preferred label			histology
example of usage			the counting of the number of cells with fluoescent label at their surface to determine the percentage of the population which was activated
has curation status			http://purl.obolibrary.org/obo/IAO_0000125
has part			staining imaging assay collecting specimen from organism histological sample preparation
label			histology
prefixIRI			OBI:0600020
prefLabel			histology
term editor			PERSON:Compiled by Helen Parkinson for Transcriptomics thanks to Adam Witney
textual definition			the visual examination of cells or tissue (or images of them) with an assessment regarding a quality of the cells or tissue. Parts are: staining, imaging, judgement
subClassOf			assay

## Superclasses & Asserted Axioms

- [assay](#)
- [has part](#) some [imaging assay](#)
- [has part](#) some [histological sample preparation](#)
- [has part](#) some [staining](#)
- [has part](#) some [collecting specimen from organism](#)
- [has specified output](#) some ([information content entity](#) and ([is about](#) some ([cell](#) or [organ section](#))))
- [achieves planned objective](#) some [assay objective](#)

Ontologies that use the Class

# NCI thesaurus

Version: 17.06d (Release date: 2017-06-26)

specimen    Contains  Exact Match  Begins With  
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## Specimen (Code C19157)

Terms & Properties **Synonym Details** Relationships Mappings View All

### Terms & Properties

**Preferred Name:** Specimen

**Definition:** A part of a thing, or of several things, taken to demonstrate or to determine the character of the whole, e.g. a substance, or portion of material obtained for use in testing, examination, or study; particularly, a preparation of tissue or bodily fluid taken for examination or diagnosis.

**Label:** Specimen

**NCI Thesaurus Code:** C19157 ([Search for linked caDSR metadata](#)) ([search value sets](#))

**NCI Metathesaurus Link:** C0370003 ([see NCI Metathesaurus info](#))

**Synonyms & Abbreviations:** ([see Synonym Details](#))

Research Specimen

Sample

Specimen

**External Source Codes:**

UMLS CUI C0370003

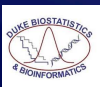
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code	C19157
Legacy_Concept_Name	Specimen
Semantic_Type	Physical Object

**Additional Concept Data:**

Defined Fully by Roles: No

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# Ontology for Biobanking

Keywords:

Class: specimen

Term IRI: [http://purl.obolibrary.org/obo/OBI\\_0100051](http://purl.obolibrary.org/obo/OBI_0100051)

Definition: A material entity that has the specimen role.

## Annotations

- **editor note:** Note: definition is in specimen creation objective which is defined as an objective to obtain and store a material entity for potential use as an input during an investigation.
- **definition editor:** Philippe Rocca-Serra, James Malone
- **definition source:** GROUP: OBI Biomaterial Branch
- **example of usage:** Biobanking of blood taken and stored in a freezer for potential future investigations stores specimen.
- **has curation status:** ready for release

## Equivalents

- [material entity](#) and (has role some [specimen role](#))

## Class Hierarchy

Thing

- + [entity](#)
  - + [continuant](#)
    - + [independent continuant](#)
      - + [material entity](#)
        - [flat object](#)
        - + [object aggregate](#)
        - + [object](#)
        - + [molecular entity](#)
        - + [cell](#)
        - [material information bearer](#)
        - + [collection packet](#)
        - [medication material](#)
        - + [processed material](#)
        - + [population](#)
        - + [organization](#)
        - + [material sample](#)
        - + [manufacturer](#)
        - [molecular-labeled material](#)
        - + [collection of specimens](#)
        - [target of material addition](#)
        - [disorder](#)
        - [post-office box](#)
        - [street](#)
        - [aggregate of organizations](#)
        - more...**
        - [specimen](#)
          - + [material sample](#)
          - + [processed specimen](#)
          - + [specimen with known storage state](#)
          - + [specimen from organism](#)
          - [microdissected specimen](#)
          - [specimen meeting specification](#)
          - [normal specimen](#)

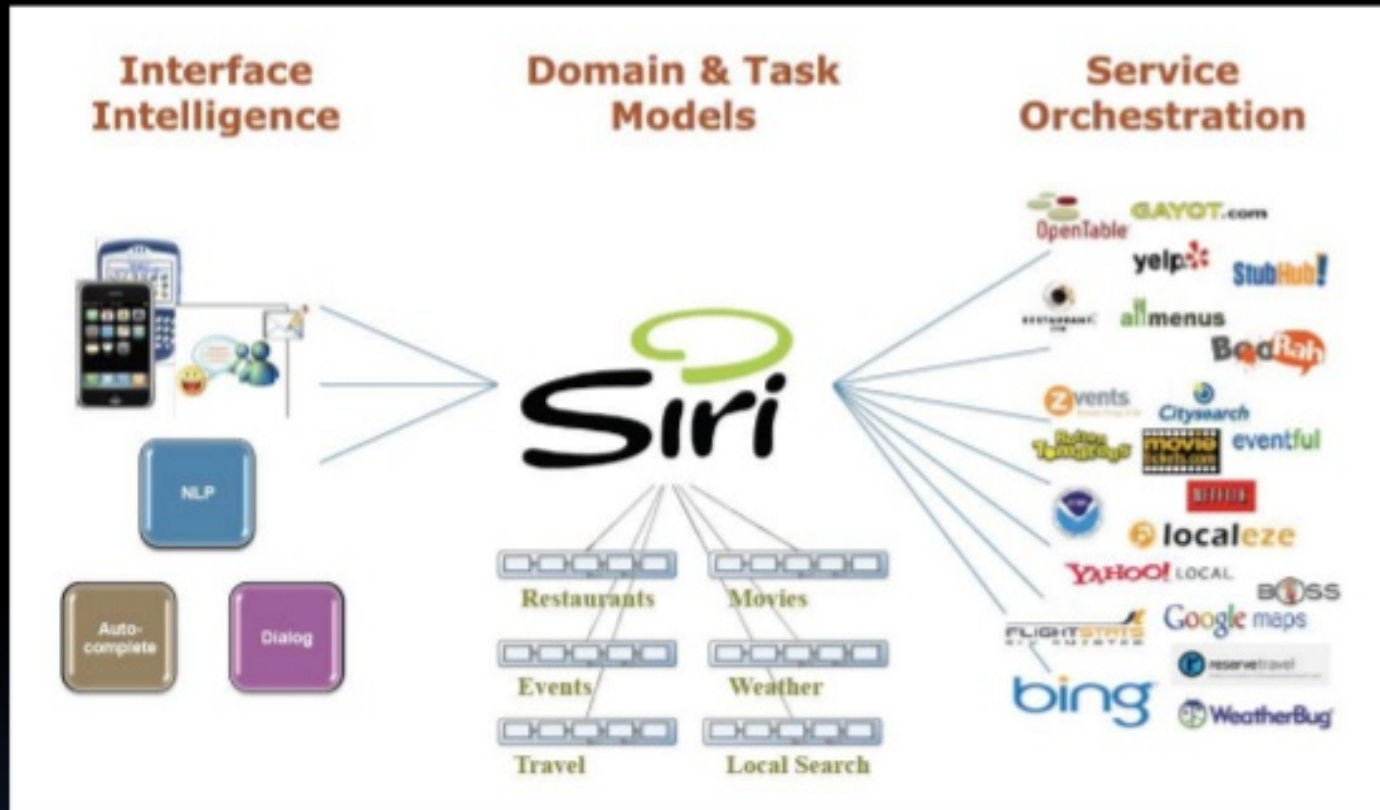
## Superclasses & Asserted Axioms

- [material entity](#)

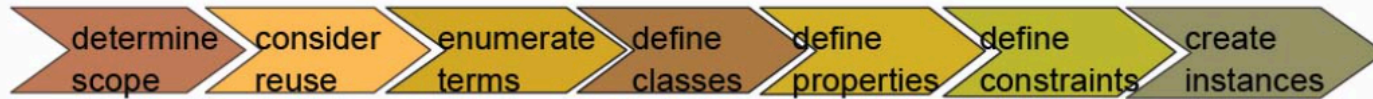
# Examples of BFO-based ontology frameworks in other areas

UNEP Ontology Framework	United Nations Environment Programme
CIA Ontology Framework	Central Intelligence Agency
USGS National Map	United States Geological Survey
Joint Doctrine Ontologies	US Air Force Research Labs
Common Core Ontologies (CCO)	US Army / I2WD and ARL, IARPA, JIDO, ONR, AFRL
TRIP Ontologies	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Transportation Research Informatics Platform (TRIP)

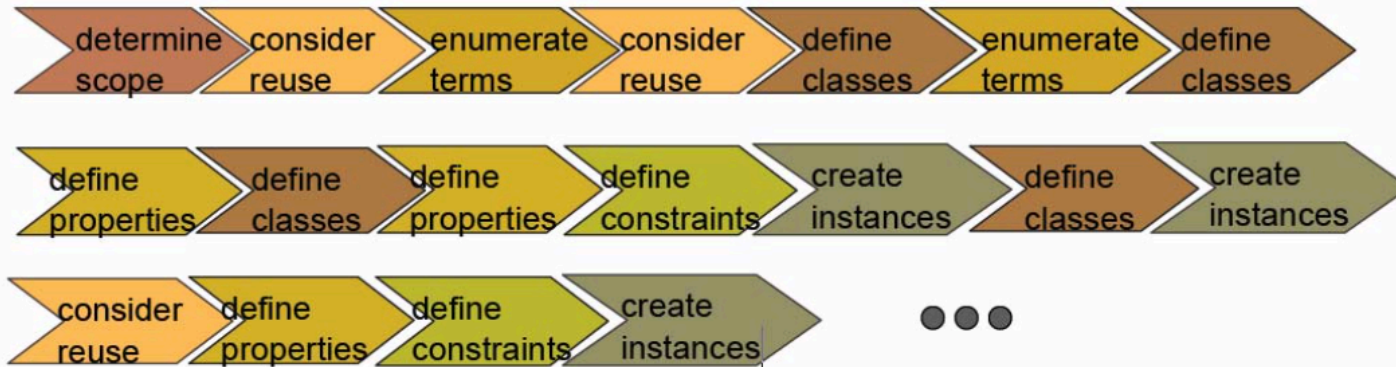
# Overview of Siri Technology



# Ontology Development Process



In reality - an iterative process:



# Ontology Repositories for Life Sciences

- Ontobee  
<http://www.ontobee.org/>
- Bioportal project  
<http://bioportal.bioontology.org/>
- Ontology Look up service  
<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/ols/index>



Best practices for developing ontologies @ OBO foundry:  
<http://www.obofoundry.org/>



# The OBO Foundry : a step-by-step, principles-based approach

- Developers commit in advance to **collaborating** with developers of ontologies in adjacent domains and
- To working to ensure that, for each domain, there is **community convergence on a single ontology**

# OBO FOUNDRY PRINCIPLES

- COMMON GOVERNANCE
- COMMON TRAINING
- ROBUST VERSIONING
- COMMON ARCHITECTURE

top level

Basic Formal Ontology (BFO)

mid-level

Information Artifact  
Ontology  
(IAO)

Ontology for Biomedical  
Investigations  
(OBI)

Ontology of General  
Medical Science  
(OGMS)

domain level

Anatomy Ontology (FMA*, CARO)		Environment Ontology (EnvO)	Infectious Disease Ontology (IDO*)	Biological Process Ontology (GO*)
Cell Ontology (CL)	Cellular Component Ontology (FMA*, GO*)		Phenotypic Quality Ontology (PaTO)	
Subcellular Anatomy Ontology (SAO)		Molecular Function (GO*)		
Sequence Ontology (SO*)				
Protein Ontology (PRO*)				

## OBO Foundry Modular Organization



# Ontologies adopting the BFO structure

## BFO Basic Formal Ontology

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### Users

Below you find an alphabetic list of ontologies and institutions/groups using BFO. If you want to be added, just contact us!

### Ontologies

- **ACGT Master Ontology (ACGT MO)**: represent the domain of cancer research and management in a computationally tractable manner
- **Algorithm-Implementation-Execution Ontology Design Pattern**
- **Animals in Context Ontology (ACO)**
- **Autism-DSM-AD-R Ontology (ADAR)**
- **Alzheimer Disease Ontology (ADO)**
- **Adverse Event Reporting Ontology (AERO)**
- **AFO Foundational Ontology**
- **Actionable Intelligence Retrieval System (AIRS)**
- **Apollo Structured Vocabulary (Apollo-SV)**
- **Bacterial Clinical Infectious Diseases Ontology (BCIDO)**
- **Behavior Perspective Model (BPM)**
- **Bank Ontology**
- **Battle Management Ontology (BMO)**
- **Beta Cell Genomics Application Ontology (BCGO)**
- **BioAssay Ontology**
- **Bioinformatics Web Service Ontology (OBIVS)** (see also here)
- **Biological Collections Ontology (BCO)**
- **Biomedical Ethics Ontology**
- **Biomedical Grid Terminology (BiomedGT, retired)**: open, collaboratively developed terminology for translational research
- **Biometric Ontology**
- **BioTop: A Biomedical Top-Domain Ontology**
- **BIRNLex**: controlled terminology for annotation of BIRN data sources
- **Blood Ontology (BLO)**
- **Body Fluids Ontology (BFOLO)**
- **Bone Dysplasia Ontology (BDO)** (see also here)
- **Cancer Cell Ontology (OncoCL)**
- **Cancer Chemoprevention Ontology (CarCo)**
- **Cardiovascular Disease Ontology (CVDOD)** (Winner of FOIS 2014 Ontology Competition)
- **Cell Behavior Ontology (CBO)**
- **Cell Culture Ontology (CCONT)**
- **Cell Cycle Ontology**: application ontology for the representation and integrated analysis of the cell cycle process
- **Cell Expression, Localization, Development and Anatomy Ontology (CELDA)**
- **Cell Line Ontology (CLC)**
- **Cell Ontology**: designed as a structured controlled vocabulary for cell types
- **Cellular Microscopy Phenotype Ontology (CMPO)**
- **Chemical Analysis Ontology (CAO)**
- **Chemical Entities of Biological Interest (ChEBI)**: freely available dictionary of molecular entities focused on small chemical compounds
- **Chemical Information Ontology (CHEMINF)**
- **Chemical Methods Ontology (CHMO)**
- **CHRONIOUS Ontology Suite**
- **Cigarette Smoke Exposure Ontology (CSEO)**
- **Clusters of Orthologous Groups (COG) Analysis Ontology (CAO)**
- **Cognition-Guided Surgery (CGS) Ontology**
- **Cognitive Paradigm Ontology (COGPO)**
- **Common Anatomy Reference Ontology (CARO)**: anatomical structures in all organisms
- **Common Core Ontologies (CCO)**
- **Communication Standards Ontology (CSO)**
- **Comparative Data Analysis Ontology (CDAO)**
- **Computational Neuroscience Ontology (CNO)**
- **Computer Aided Engineering Modeling Language Ontology (CAEMLOnto)**
- **Computer-Based Patient Record Ontology (CPRO)**
- **Conceptual Model Ontology (CMO)**
- **Core Data Integration Model (CDIM)**
- **Corneal Cell Line Ontology**
- **CPR Ontology for the Institute of Medicine's (IOM) Computer-Based Patient Record Ontology**
- **Diabetes mellitus Ontology (DDO)**
- **Document Aid Ontology (D-Aids)**
- **Drug Interaction Ontology (DIO)**: ontology-driven inferences of possible drug-drug interactions
- **Drug Ontology (DrOn)**
- **Drug-drug Interaction Evidence Ontology (DIDED)**
- **Drug-drug Interaction Ontology (DINTO)**
- **Dynamic Earth Sciences Ontologies: Process and Event Ontologies**
- **Eagle+ Research Resource Ontology (ERO)**
- **Economics Ontology (Eco)**

- **Electrocardiography Ontology (ECG)**
- **Email ontology**
- **Emotion Ontology (EMO)**: an ontology to describe affective phenomena
- **ENanMapper (ENM)**
- **Environment Ontology**: an ontology that supports the annotation of the environment of any organism or biological sample
- **Epidemiology Ontology (EPO)**
- **Epilepsy and Seizure Ontology (EPSO)**
- **Event-Based Functional Behavior Ontology (EFBO)**
- **Evolution Ontology (EO)**
- **Experimental Factor Ontology (EFO)**
- **(EX)perimental (AC)tions Biomedical Protocol Ontology (EXACT2)**
- **Expose: An Ontology for Data Mining Experiments** (see also here)
- **Flybase Drosophila Anatomy Ontology (DAC)**
- **Fission Yeast Phenotype Ontology (FYPO)**
- **Flower-Visiting Domain Ontology (FV)**, **Known Flower-Visiting Group Domain Ontology (KFG)**, **Flower-Visiting Behavior Application Ontology (FVB)** and **Observation-Data Application Ontology (OBD)**
- **Food Ontology (FoodOn)**
- **Foundational Model of Anatomy (FMA)**: structure of the mammalian and in particular the human body (Further reading)
- **Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Ontology (GIEC)**
- **Gene Regulation Ontology (GRO)**
- **General Information Model (GIM)**
- **Genomic Epidemiology Ontology (GenEPIO)**
- **Genomic Feature and Variation Ontology (GFVO)**
- **Gestalt: Federated Access to Cyber Observables for Detection of Targeted Attack**
- **Health Data Ontology Trunk (HDOT)**
- **Hemocomponents and Hemoderivatives Ontology (HEMONT0)**
- **Host Pathogen Interactions Ontology (HPO)**
- **Human Experience Realist Ontology (HERO)**
- **Human Interaction Network Ontology (HINO)**
- **Human Physiology Simulation Ontology (HuPSON)** (see also here)
- **Infectious Disease Ontology**
- **Information Artifact Ontology (IAO)**
- **Informed Consent Ontology (ICO)**
- **Interaction Network Ontology (ING)**
- **Interdisciplinary Prostate Ontology Project (IPOP)**
- **International Center for Food Ontology, Operability, Data and Semantics (IC-FOODS)**
  - **ic\_Eating**: An ontology for the characterization of eating, drinking and otherwise consuming foods
  - **ic\_FoodDrugInteractionOntology**: An ontology for the characterization of interactions between foods and drugs
  - **ic\_Milk**: An ontology for the characterization of mammalian milks
  - **ic\_Processing**: an ontology for the characterization of processing methods and the products they engender
    - **ic\_Sense**: An ontology for the characterization of sensory perception, qualities, and attributes
- **Intracranial aneurysm (CA) Ontology**
- **Knowledge Base Of Biomedicine (KaBOB)**
- **Lipid Ontology**
- **Major histocompatibility complex (MHC) Restriction Ontology (MRO)**
- **Malaria Ontology (IDOMAL)**
- **Materials Ontology (MatOnto)**
- **Mental Disease Ontology**
- **Mental Functioning Ontology**
- **Microbiology Ontology (Micro)**
- **Minimum Information Model for Patient Safety (MIMPS)**
- **miRNAoC: An Ontology Unfolding the Domain of microRNAs**
- **Middle Layer Ontology for Clinical Care (MLOCC)**
- **Military Ontology** (see publication)
- **Military Scenario Ontology (MSO)**
- **MIRO and IRbase: IT Tools for the Epidemiological Monitoring of Insecticide Resistance in Mosquito Disease Vectors**
- **Model for Clinical Information (MCI)**
- **Mouse Pathology Ontology (MPATH)**
- **Name Reaction Ontology (RXNO)**
- **Nanoparticle Ontology (NPO): Ontology for Cancer Nanotechnology Research**
- **Neomark Oral Cancer Ontology (NEOMARK4)**
- **NeuroPsychological Testing Ontology (NPT)**
- **Neuroscience Information Framework** (see also here)
  - **Neuroscience Information Framework Cell Ontology (NIFCELL)**
  - **Neuroscience Information Framework Dysfunction Ontology (NIFDYS)**
  - **Neuroscience Information Framework Standard Ontology (NIFSTD)**: a collection of OWL modules covering distinct domains of biomedical reality
- **Neural Electromagnetic Ontologies (NEMO): Ontology-based Tools for Representation and Integration of Event-related Brain Potentials**
- **Neuroscience Information Framework (NIF) Cell Ontology**
- **Neuroscience Information Framework (NIF) Subcellular Ontology (NIFSUBCELL)**
- **New Upper Level Ontology**
- **Next Generation Sequencing Ontology (NGSONTD)**
- **Non-Coding RNA Ontology (NCR0)**
- **NMR-Instrument Component of Metabolomics Investigations Ontology**

- **Ocular Disease Ontology (ODO)**
- **OncoCL-KB: a Knowledgebase for Integration of Clinical and Molecular Cancer Data**
- **OntoAlign++: a Combined Strategy for Improving Ontologies Alignment**
- **OntoFormScience: a Detailed Methodology for Construction of Ontologies and Its Application in the Bioc Domain**
- **Ontologized Minimum Information About Biobank data Sharing (OMABIS)**
- **Ontology for Adverse Events (OAE)**
- **Ontology for Autism Spectrum Disorder**
- **Ontology for Biobanking (OBIB)**
- **Ontology for Biomedical Investigations (OBI)**: design, protocol, instrumentation, and analysis applied in biomedical investigations
- **Ontology for Dengue Fever (IDODEN)**
- **Ontology for Drug Discovery Investigations (DDI)**
- **Ontology for Energy Investigations (OEI)**
- **Ontology for Functionally Graded Materials (FGM)**
- **Ontology for General Medical Science (OGMS)**
- **Ontology for Genes and Genomes (OGG)**
- **Ontology for Genes and Genomes - Mouse (OGG-MM)**
- **Ontology for Genetic Disease Investigations (OGDI)**
- **Ontology for Genetic Interval (OGI)**
- **Ontology for Genetic Susceptibility Factor (OGSF)**
- **Ontology for Guiding Appropriate Antibiotic Prescribing**
- **Ontology for Laparoscopic Surgeries (LapOntoSPM)**
- **Ontology for Microbial Phenotypes (OMP)**
- **Ontology for MicroRNA Target Prediction (OMT)** (here)
- **Ontology for Newborn Screening and Translational Research (ONSTR)**
- **Ontology for Next Generation Sequencing Experiments (NGS Ontology)**
- **Ontology for Pain and Related Disability, Mental Health and Quality of Life (OPMQoL)**
- **Ontology for Peridontitis (PERIC)**
- **Ontology of Clinical Research (OCRe)**
- **Ontology of Biobanking Administration (OMABIS)**
- **Ontology for Parasite LifeCycle (OPL): Reference ontology for parasite life cycle stages**
- **Ontology for Rehabilitation (Traumatic Brain Injury)**
- **Ontology of Biological and Clinical Studies (OBSCS)**
- **Ontology of Data Mining (OntoDM)**
- **Ontology of Datatypes (OntoDT)** (see also here)
- **Ontology of Experimental Variables and Values (OEOV)**
- **Ontology of Medically Related Social Entities (OMRSE)**
- **Ontology of Social Participation (OPS)**
- **Ontology of Vaccine Adverse Events (OVAE)**
- **Ontology-Based Data Access (OBDA)**
- **Ontology-Based eXposable Data Model (OBX)**
- **Ontology-Driven Information System (ODIS)/Ontology-Driven Scenario Generator (ODSG)**
- **Oral Health and Disease Ontology (OHD)**
- **Parasite Experiment Ontology (PEO)**
- **Patient Safety Categorical Structure (PS-CAST)**
- **Petrochemical Ontology**
- **Phenotypic Quality Ontology (PaTo): qualities of biomedical entities**
- **Plant Experimental Assay Ontology (PEAO)**
- **Plant Ontology (PO)**
- **Population and Community Ontology (PCC)**
- **Population Health Record (PopHR)**
- **Porifera Ontology (PORO)**
- **Pre-Eclampsia Ontology (PEO)**
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# OWL: W3C Web Ontology Language

Key features of OWL is automatic reasoning (aka classification) with a reasoner using Description Logic (DL) which can perform several tasks including:

**Subsumption**, automatically organizes classes in an ontology into a hierarchy of sub/super-classes

**Consistency**, highlight inconsistent statements e.g. a given compound can't be organic and inorganic at the same time because these are disjoint

**Querying**, answering questions about an ontology (e.g. query languages like SPARQL and SPARQ-DL)

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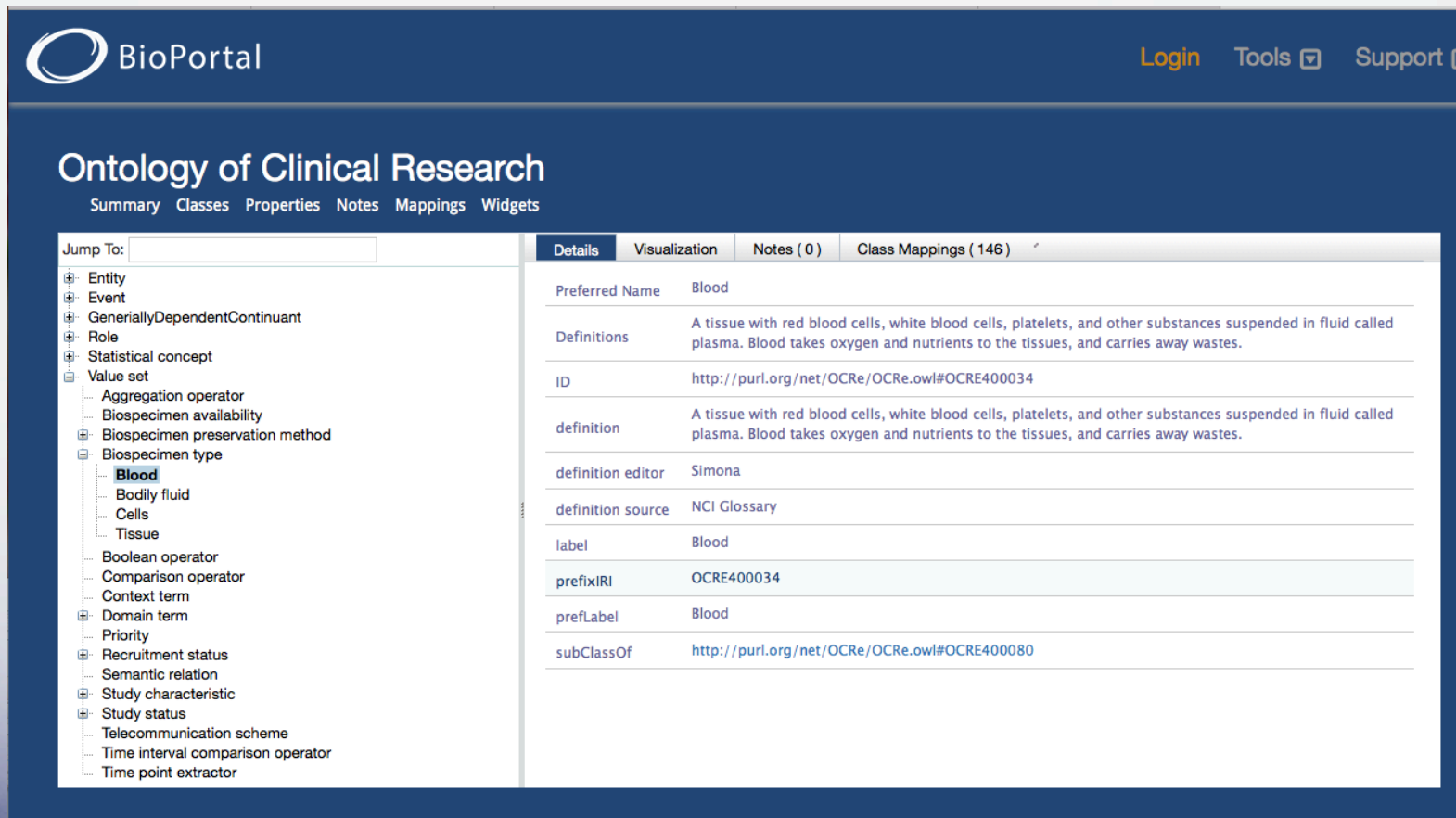
Same meaning can be express using different words

What is Blood?

Tissue

Fluid

# What is wrong here?



BioPortal

Login Tools Support

## Ontology of Clinical Research

Summary Classes Properties Notes Mappings Widgets

Jump To:

- Entity
- Event
- GenerallyDependentContinuant
- Role
- Statistical concept
- Value set
  - Aggregation operator
  - Biospecimen availability
  - Biospecimen preservation method
  - Biospecimen type
    - Blood**
    - Bodily fluid
    - Cells
    - Tissue
  - Boolean operator
  - Comparison operator
  - Context term
  - Domain term
  - Priority
  - Recruitment status
  - Semantic relation
  - Study characteristic
  - Study status
  - Telecommunication scheme
  - Time interval comparison operator
  - Time point extractor

Details	Visualization	Notes ( 0 )	Class Mappings ( 146 )
Preferred Name	Blood		
Definitions	A tissue with red blood cells, white blood cells, platelets, and other substances suspended in fluid called plasma. Blood takes oxygen and nutrients to the tissues, and carries away wastes.		
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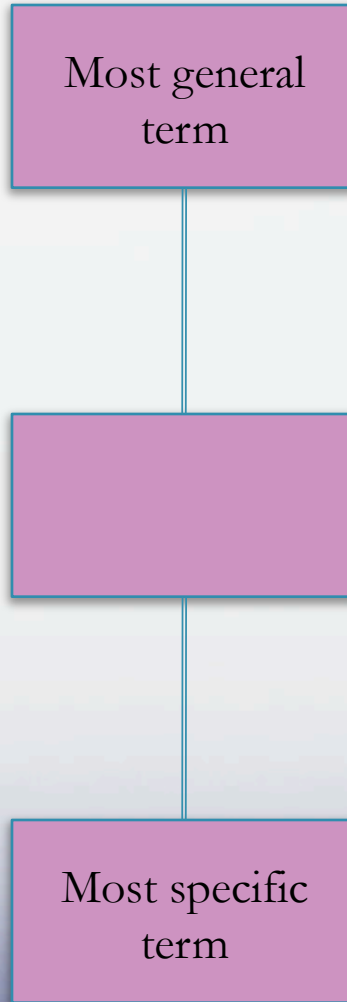
# Controlled vocabularies

- Particular concept is assign to a single term

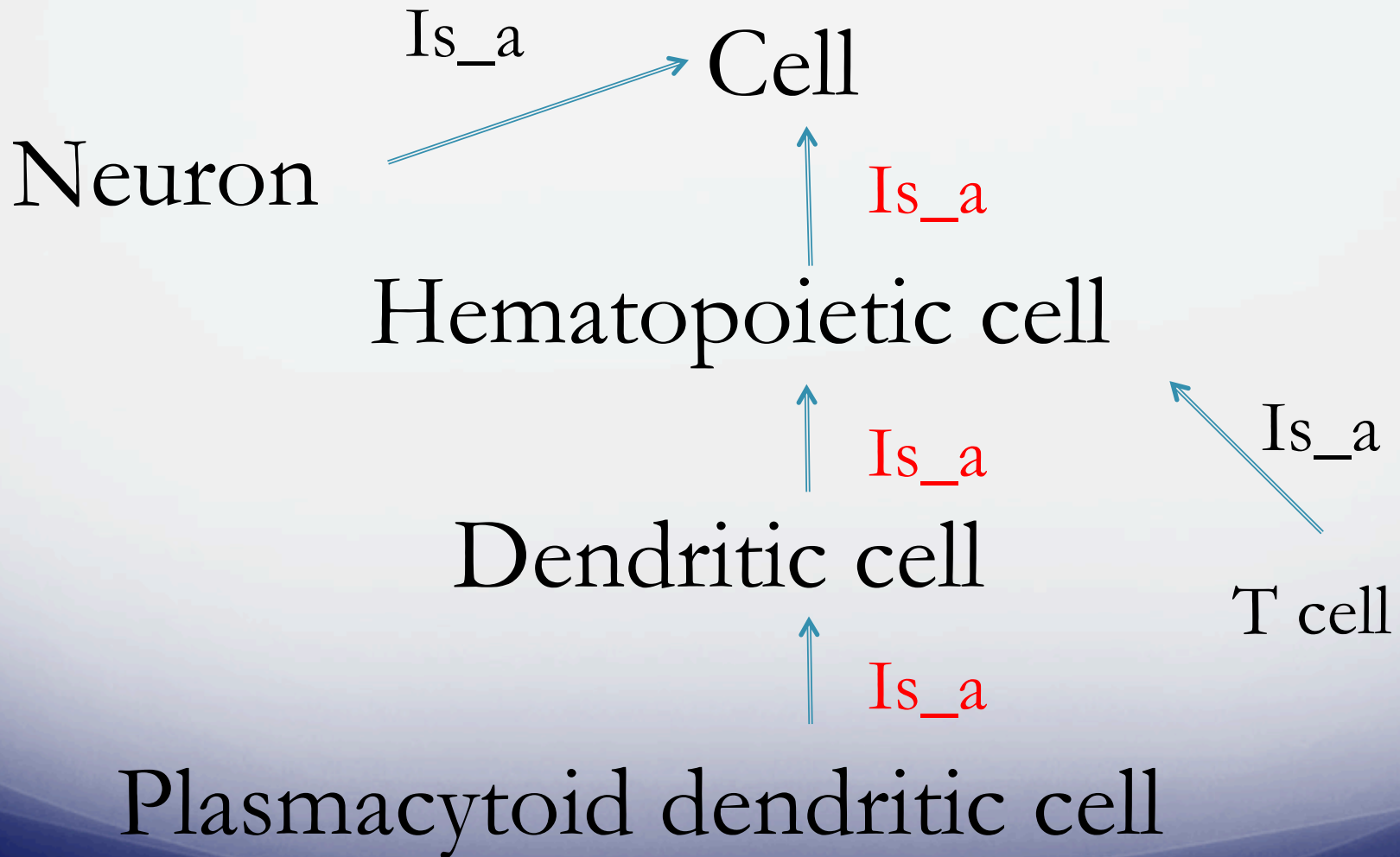
What does it mean that Ontology has relationships?



# Hierarchy



# Example



# Example

Lymph node



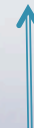
Part\_of

conventional dendritic cell



Part\_of

TLR4



Part\_of

TIR domain

part\_of

<b>ID</b>	OBO_REL:part_of
<b>Name</b>	part_of
<b>Relation properties</b>	[transitive] [reflexive] [anti-symmetric]
<b>inverse_of</b>	OBO_REL:has_part (instance level)
<b>Definition</b>	For continuants: C part_of C' if and only if: given any c that instantiates C at a time t, there is some c' such that c' instantiates C' at time t, and c *part_of* c' at t. For processes: P part_of P' if and only if: given any p that instantiates P at a time t, there is some p' such that p' instantiates P' at time t, and p *part_of* p' at t. (Here *part_of* is the instance-level part-relation.)
<b>Comments</b>	Parthood as a relation between instances: The primitive instance-level relation p part_of p1 is illustrated in assertions such as: this instance of rhodopsin mediated phototransduction part_of this instance of visual perception. This relation satisfies at least the following standard axioms of mereology: reflexivity (for all p, p part_of p); anti-symmetry (for all p, p1, if p part_of p1 and p1 part_of p then p and p1 are identical); and transitivity (for all p, p1, p2, if p part_of p1 and p1 part_of p2, then p part_of p2). Analogous axioms hold also for parthood as a relation between spatial regions. For parthood as a relation between continuants, these axioms need to be modified to take account of the incorporation of a temporal argument. Thus for example the axiom of transitivity for continuants will assert that if c part_of c1 at t and c1 part_of c2 at t, then also c part_of c2 at t. Parthood as a relation between classes: To define part_of as a relation between classes we again need to distinguish the two cases of continuants and processes, even though the explicit reference to instants of time now falls away. For continuants, we have C part_of C1 if and only if any instance of C at any time is an instance-level part of some instance of C1 at that time, as for example in: cell nucleus part_of cell.

<http://bioportal.bioontology.org/ontologies/OBOREL?p=properties>

Which is the problem we are going to solve by using ontology

How to find your data?

How to reason with data when you find it?

How to understand the significance of the data you collected 3 years earlier?

How to integrate with other people's data?

Part of the solution must involve consensus based, standardized terminologies and coding schemes

# How Ontology can help researcher

## Microarray

Hybridization.  
Scanning images.  
Quantification.

Raw intensities

Preprocessing:  
Background correction,  
Normalization,  
Summarization.

Expression levels of  
Transcripts (continuous)

Statistical analysis

Differentially  
expressed  
transcripts

Cellular  
functional/pathway  
analysis

GO

...

KEGG

## RNA-Seq

Sequencing.  
Base call.

Short reads

Aligned to  
reference genome,  
known isoform & exon-  
junction sequences.

Expression levels of  
Transcripts (counts)

Statistical analysis

Novel  
transcripts



# Ontology annotation

# How to create annotation

Manual curation

Computer inference

Abstract Send to: 

*BMC Genomics*. 2008 Feb 27;9:102. doi: 10.1186/1471-2164-9-102.

## Protein abundance profiling of the *Escherichia coli* cytosol.

Ishihama Y<sup>1</sup>, Schmidt T, Rappsilber J, Mann M, Hartl FU, Kerner MJ, Frishman D.

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#### Abstract

**BACKGROUND:** Knowledge about the abundance of molecular components is an important prerequisite for building quantitative predictive models of cellular behavior. Proteins are central components of these models, since they carry out most of the fundamental processes in the cell. Thus far, protein concentrations have been difficult to measure on a large scale, but proteomic technologies have now advanced to a stage where this information becomes readily accessible.

**RESULTS:** Here, we describe an experimental scheme to maximize the coverage of proteins identified by mass spectrometry of a complex biological sample. Using a combination of LC-MS/MS approaches with protein and peptide fractionation steps we identified 1103 proteins from the cytosolic fraction of the *Escherichia coli* strain MC4100. A measure of abundance is presented for each of the identified proteins, based on the recently developed emPAI approach which takes into account the number of sequenced peptides per protein. The values of abundance are within a broad range and accurately reflect independently measured copy numbers per cell. As expected, the most abundant proteins were those involved in protein synthesis, most notably ribosomal proteins. Proteins involved in energy metabolism as well as those with binding function were also found in high copy number while proteins annotated with the terms metabolism, transcription, transport, and cellular organization were rare. The barrel-sandwich fold was found to be the structural fold with the highest abundance. Highly abundant proteins are predicted to be less prone to aggregation based on their length, pI values, and occurrence patterns of hydrophobic stretches. We also find that abundant proteins tend to be predominantly essential. Additionally we observe a significant correlation between protein and mRNA abundance in *E. coli* cells.

**CONCLUSION:** Abundance measurements for more than 1000 *E. coli* proteins presented in this work represent the most complete study of protein abundance in a bacterial cell so far. We show significant associations between the abundance of a protein and its properties and functions in the cell. In this way, we provide both data and novel insights into the role of protein concentration in this model organism.

## Gene Product Associations

Free-text filtering




Your search is pinned to these filters

- + document\_category: annotation
- + bioentity: UniProtKB:P30850

No current user filters.

Source
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Ontology (aspect)
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Qualifier
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Direct annotation
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Annotation extension

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# Evidence code

A simple controlled vocabulary used to record evidence that supports the association between the gene and the GO term

- Inferred from Experiment (EXP)
- Inferred from Direct Assay (IDA)
- Inferred from Physical Interaction (IPI)
- Inferred from Mutant Phenotype (IMP)
- Inferred from Genetic Interaction (IGI)
- Inferred from Expression Pattern (IEP)
- Inferred from Sequence or structural Similarity (ISS)
- Inferred from Sequence Orthology (ISO)
- Inferred from Sequence Alignment (ISA)
- Inferred from Sequence Model (ISM)
- Inferred from Genomic Context (IGC)
- Inferred from Biological aspect of Ancestor (IBA)
- Inferred from Biological aspect of Descendant (IBD)
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- Inferred from Rapid Divergence (IRD)
- Inferred from Reviewed Computational Analysis (RCA)
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- No biological Data available (ND) evidence code

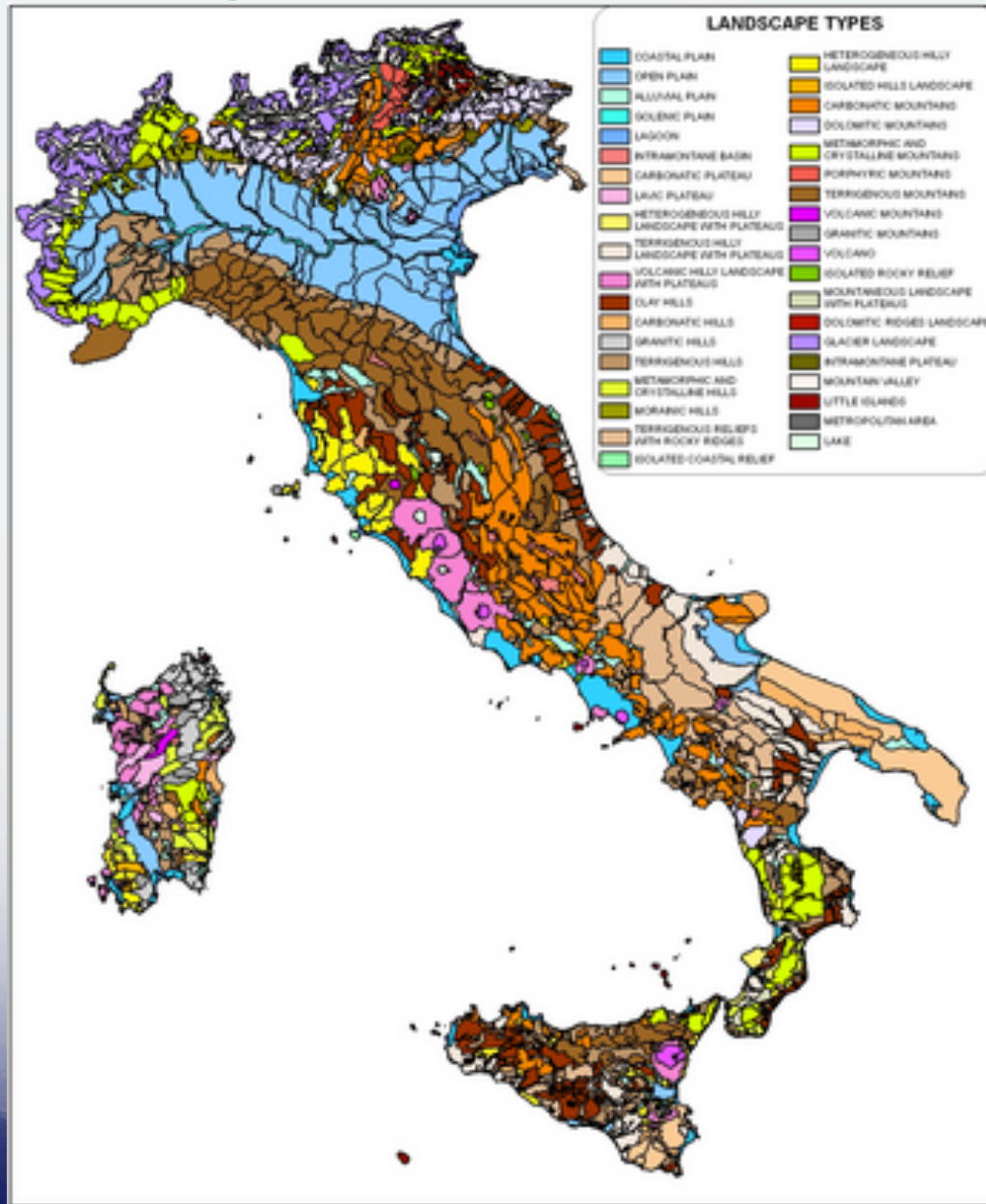
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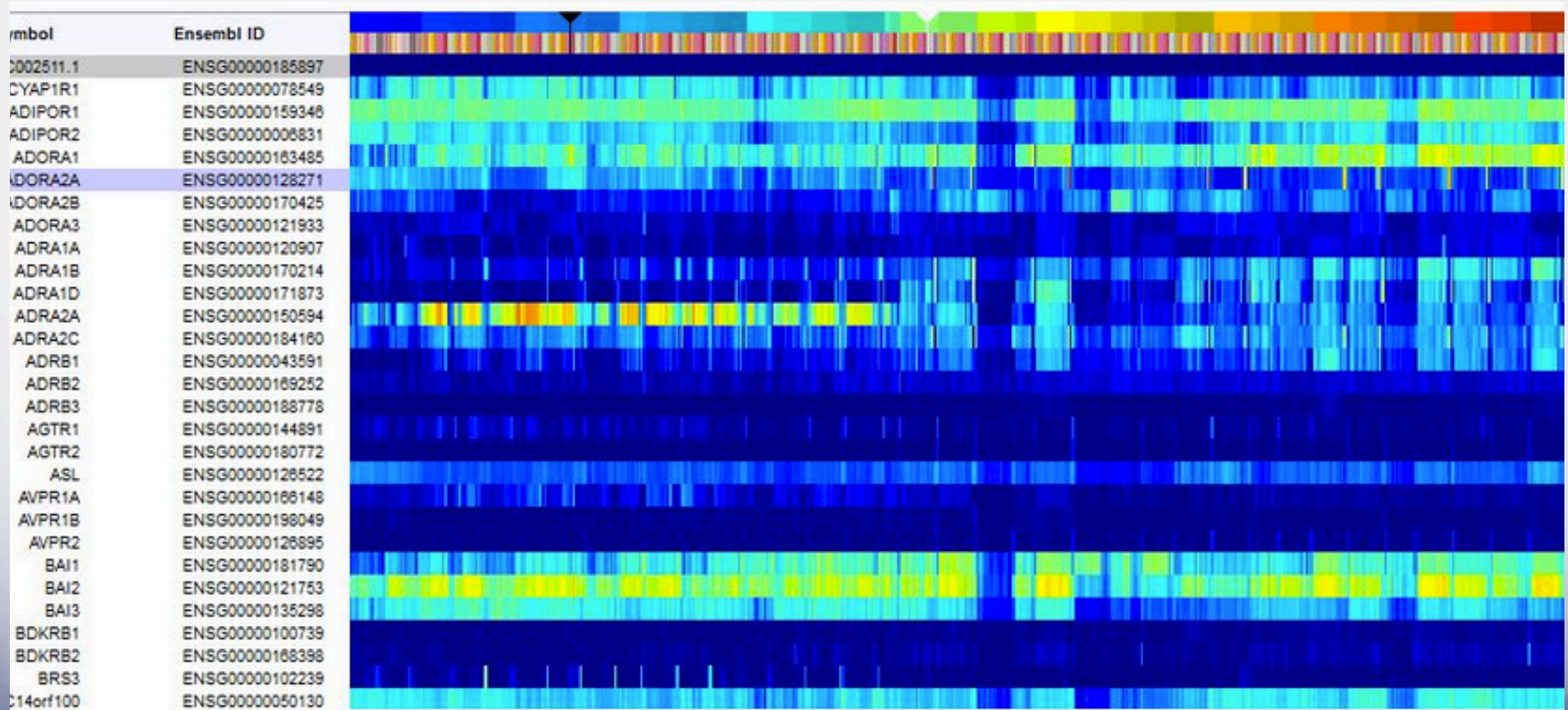
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- To share common understanding of the entities in a specific domain
- Among people
- Among software
- Among people and software

# Legend for maps



# Ontologies are legends for data





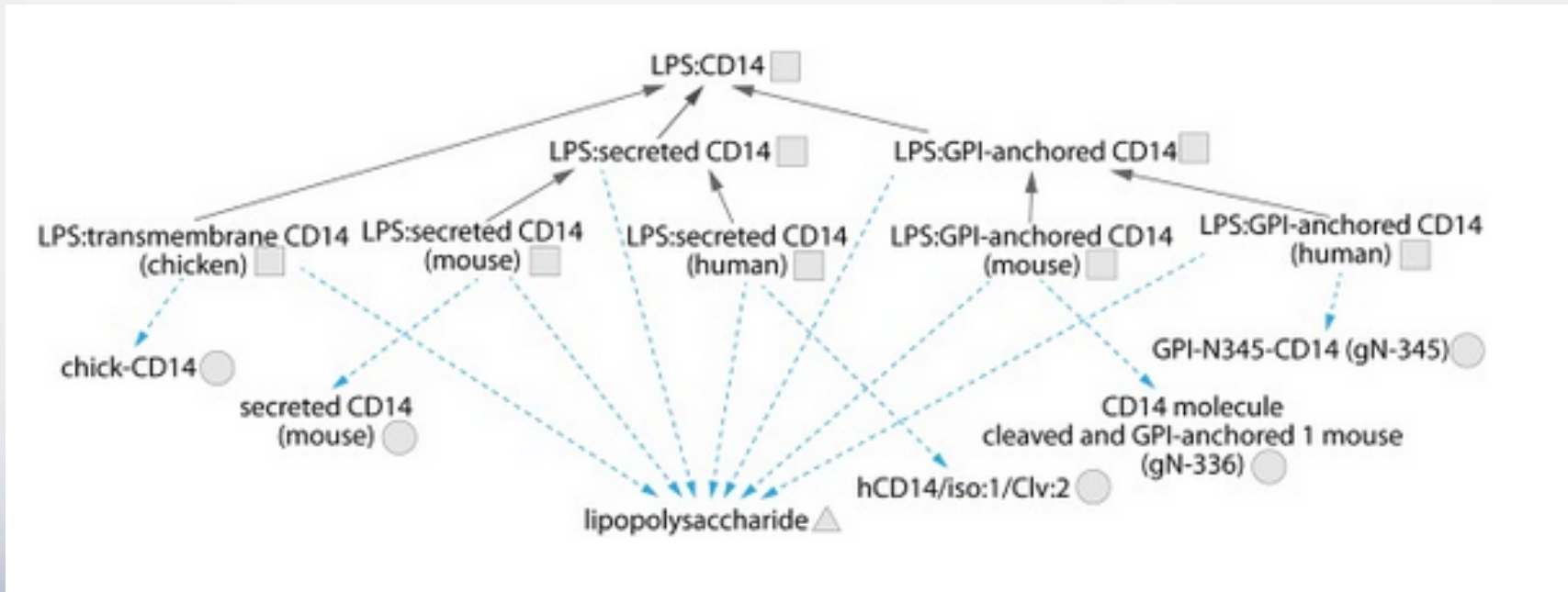
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- Dissemination and Ontology Best Practices of the National Center for Biomedical Ontology

- <http://bioontology.org>

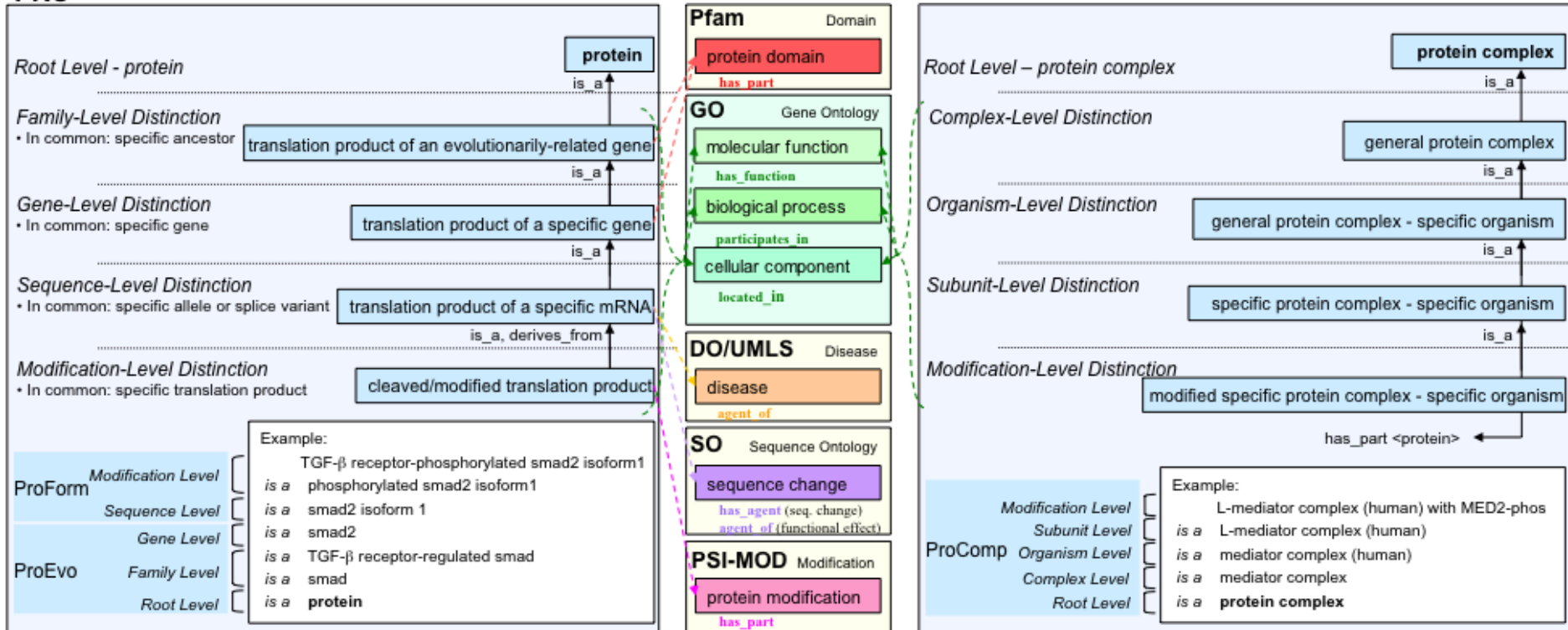
# Ontologies are modular

## Example: The Protein Ontology



*Toll-Like Receptor Signaling in Vertebrates: Testing the Integration of Protein, Complex, and Pathway Data in the Protein Ontology Framework. Masci et al.2015*

# PRO

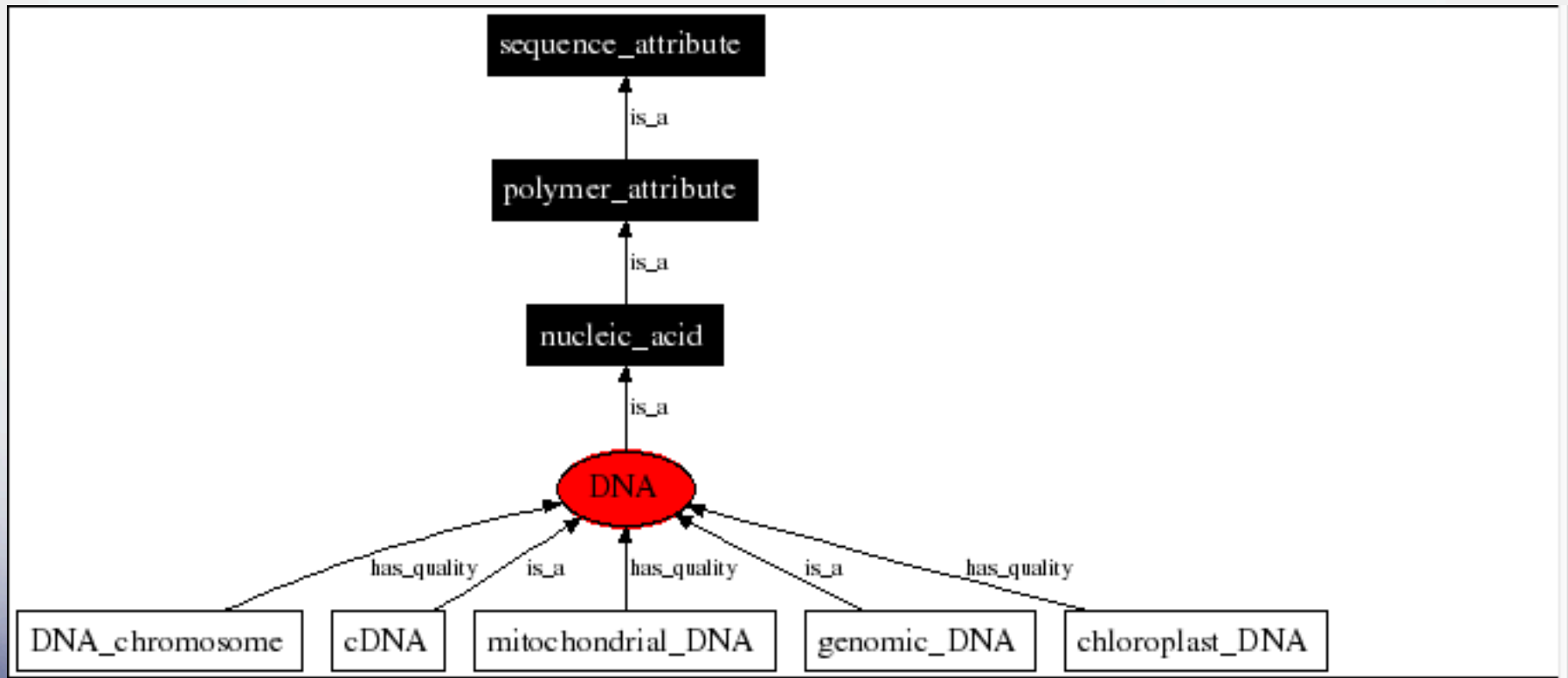


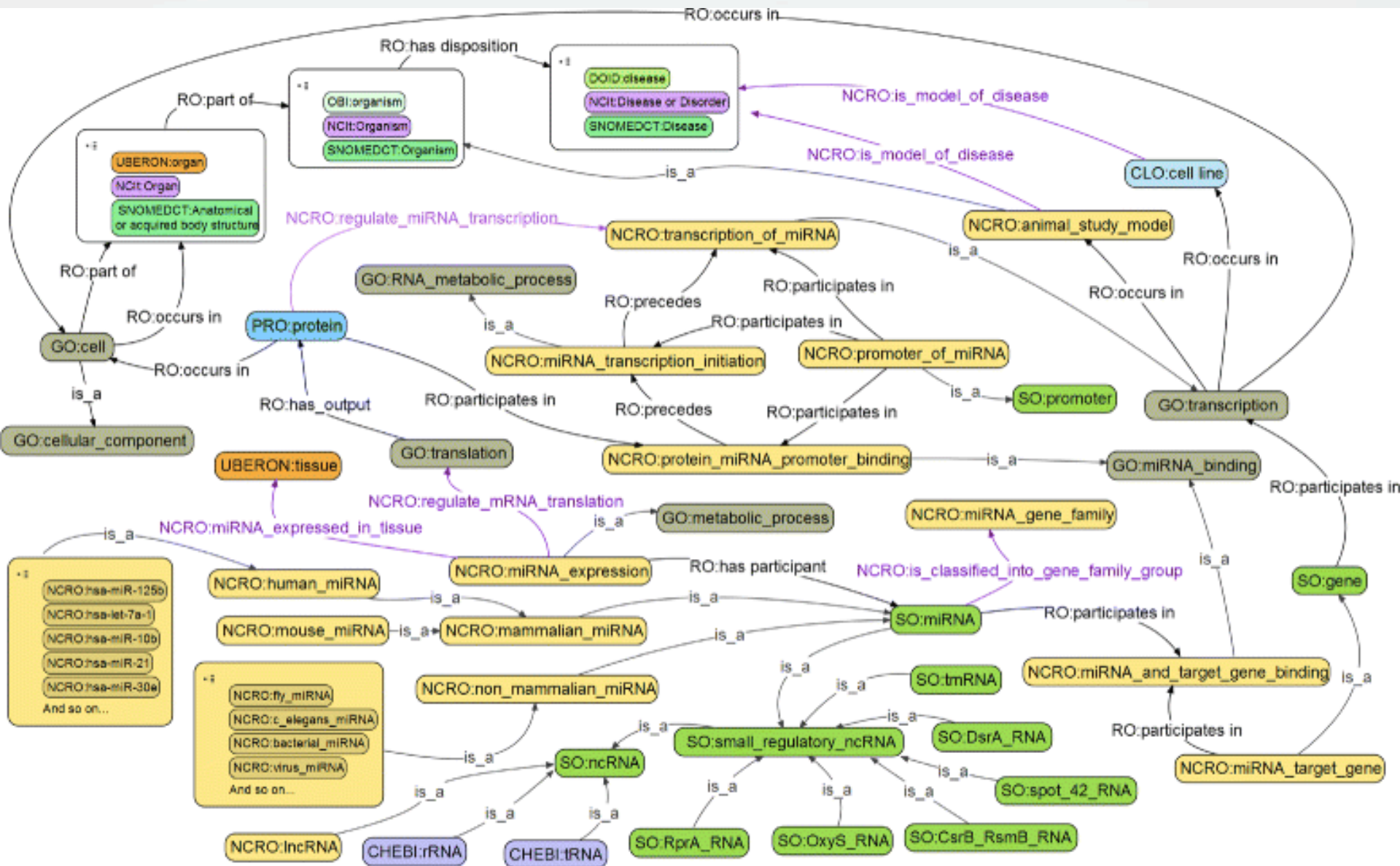
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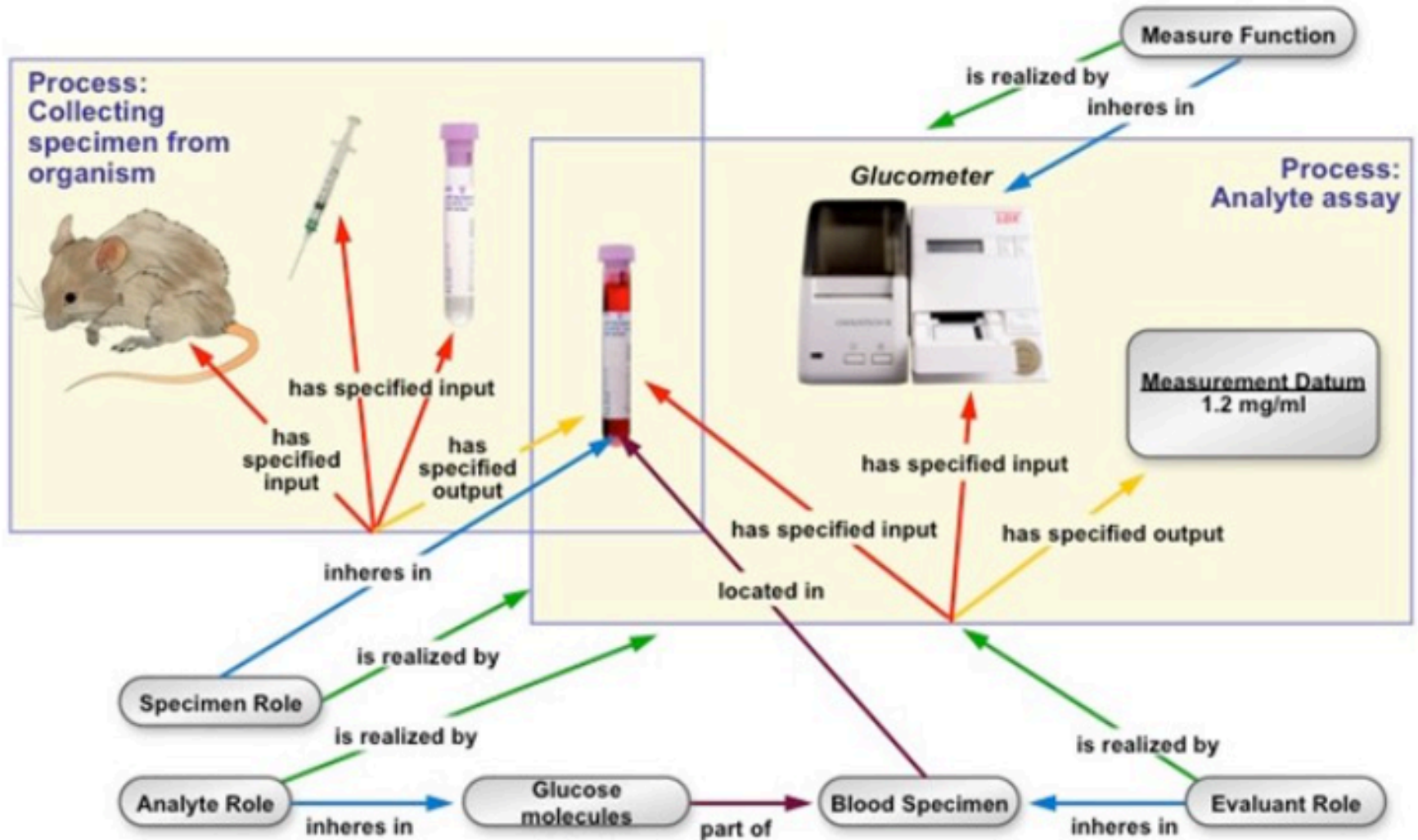
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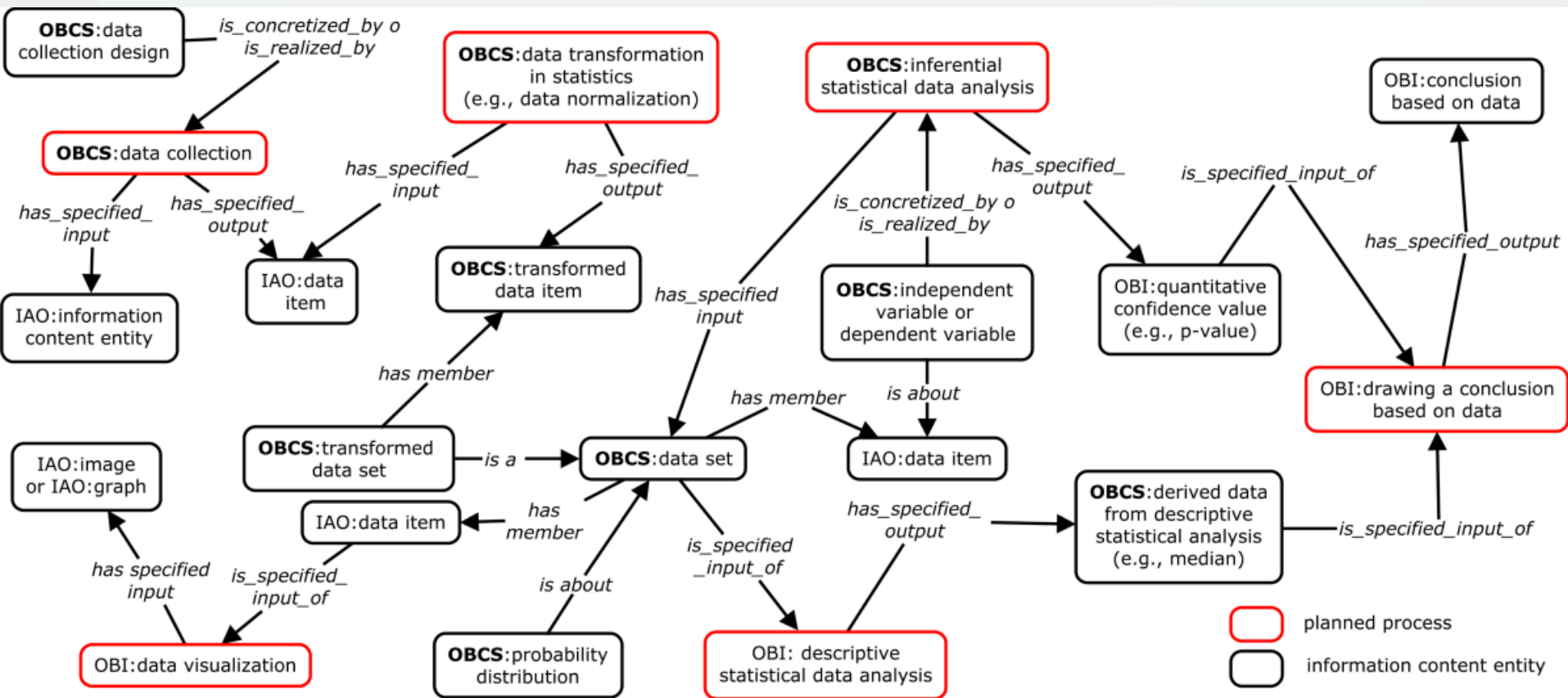




A strength of OBI is modeling the processes that connect biological source material to the data generated about it

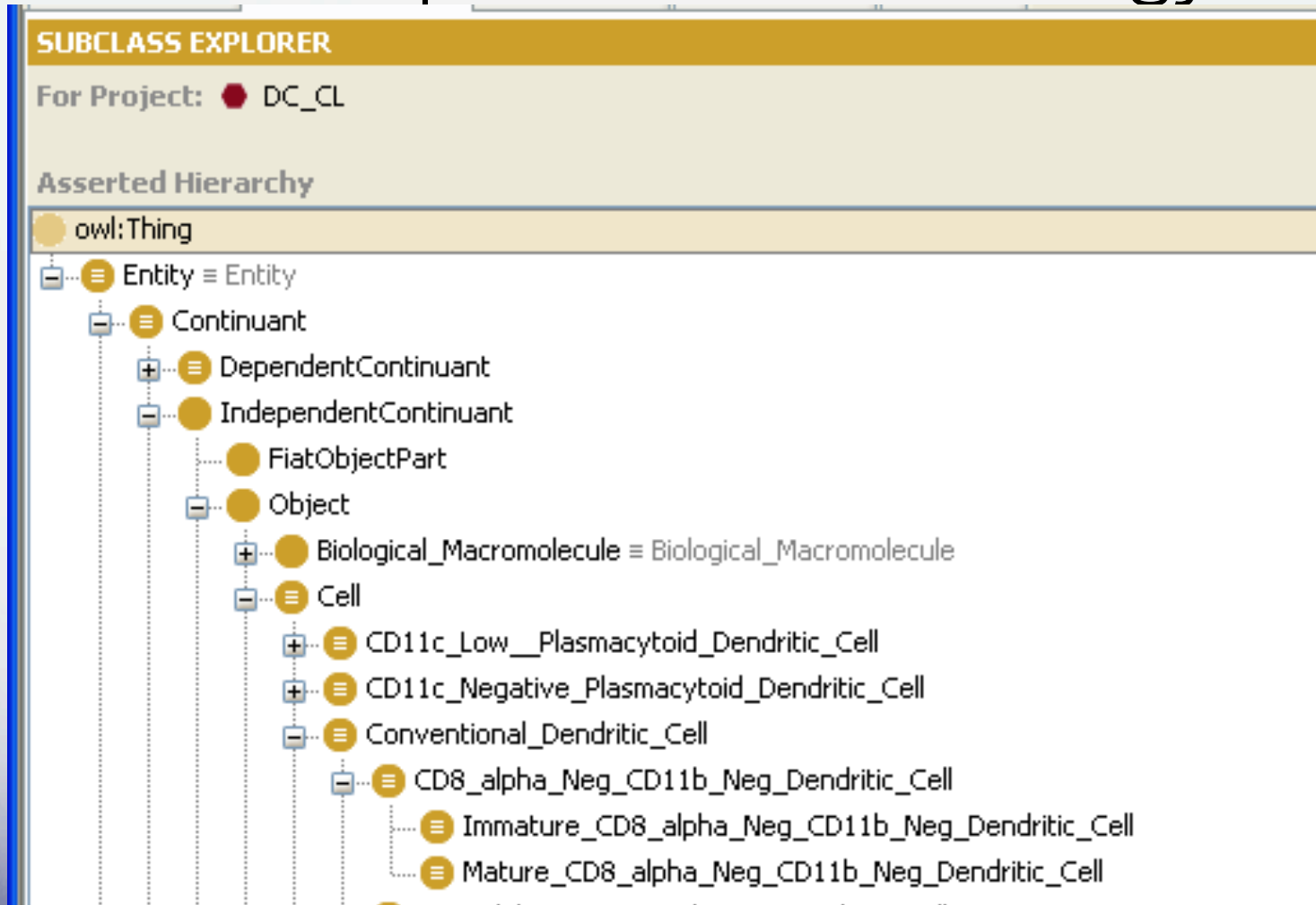


Measurement of Glucose concentration in blood



# Ontologies are Modular

## Example: The Cell Ontology

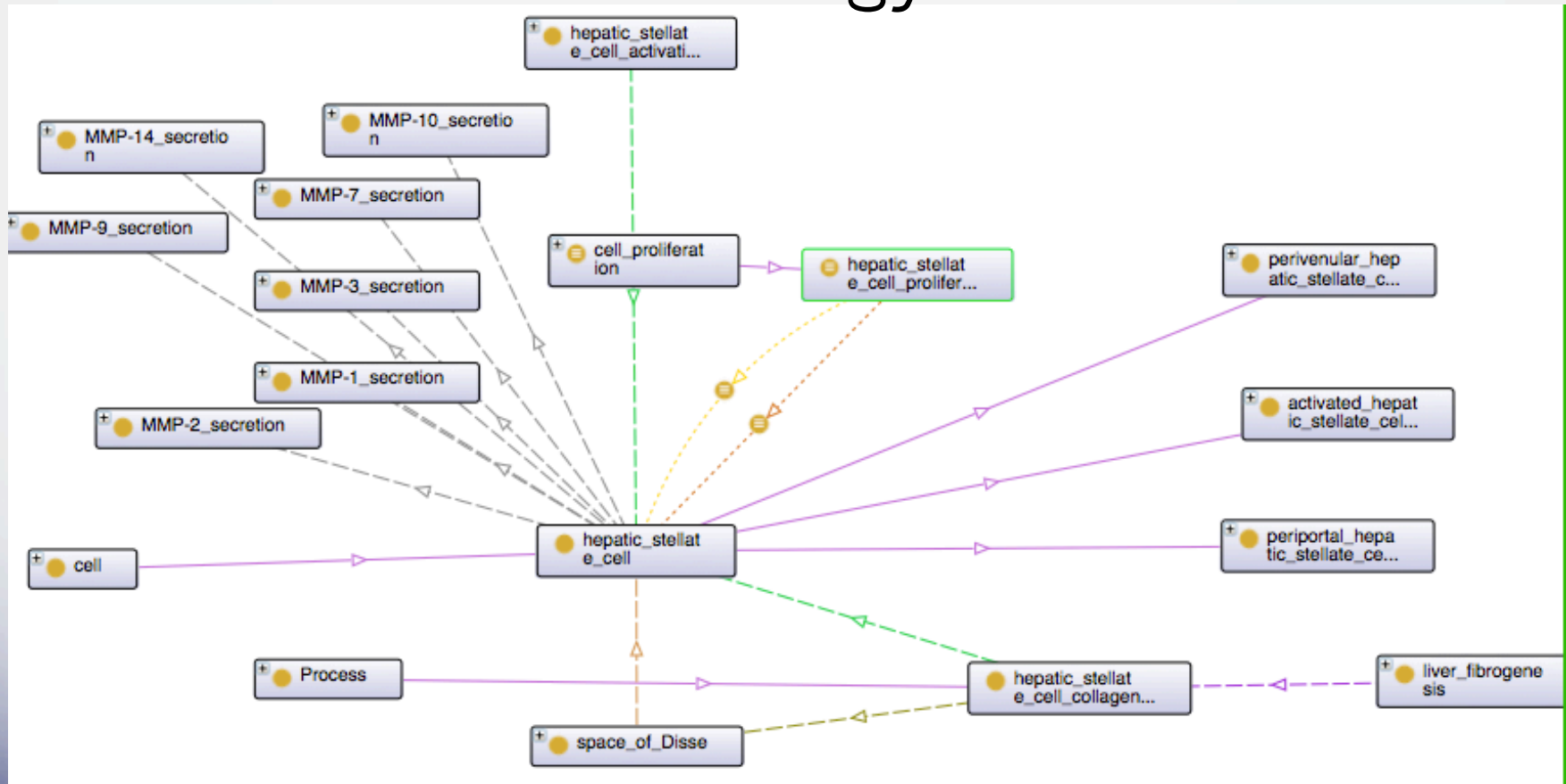


*An improved ontological representation of dendritic cells as a paradigm for all cell type. Masci et al. 2009*



# Ontologies are modular

## Example: The Liver Immunology Ontology



*Bridging Multiple Ontologies: Representation of the Liver Immune Response. Masci et al. 2011*

# NGS ontology

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- Agent
- device
- entity
  - continuant
    - dependent\_continuant
      - generally\_dependent\_continuant
        - data item
          - Parameter
        - plan specification
          - protocol
          - software
          - study design
      - specifically\_dependent\_continuant
        - quality
          - Step
            - Execution step
            - NGS Workflow step
        - realizable\_entity
          - disposition
          - function
          - role
    - independent\_continuant
      - material\_entity
        - DNA sequencer**
        - fiat\_object\_part
        - Message
          - contig
          - DNA extract
          - DNA sequence data
          - Library
          - material sample
          - read
          - object
          - object\_aggregate
          - object\_boundary
          - site
      - spatial\_region
        - one\_dimensional\_region
        - three\_dimensional\_region
        - two\_dimensional\_region
        - zero\_dimensional\_region
  - occurent
    - processual\_entity
      - fiat\_process\_part
    - process
      - Next Generation Sequencing Process
        - Data processing
          - Filtering
          - Sequence cutting
        - DNA extraction
        - DNA sequencing
        - library preparation
        - Sequence assembly
          - Sequence assembly (de-novo assembly)
          - Sequence assembly (mapping assembly)

Preferred Name	DNA sequencer
Definitions	A DNA sequencer is an instrument that determines the order of deoxynucleotides in deoxyribonucleic acid sequences. <a href="http://purl.obolibrary.org/obo/OBI_0400103">http://purl.obolibrary.org/obo/OBI_0400103</a>
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Belong To	<a href="#">Agent</a>
definition source	MO
editor preferred label	DNA sequencer
example of usage	ABI 377 DNA Sequencer, ABI 310 DNA Sequencer
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prefLabel	DNA sequencer
term editor	Trish Whetzel
textual definition	A DNA sequencer is an instrument that determines the order of deoxynucleotides in deoxyribonucleic acid sequences.
subClassOf	<a href="#">material_entity</a>

# Example ontologies

Basic Formal Ontology (BFO)

<http://ifomis.uni-saarland.de/bfo/>

Common Anatomy Reference Ontology (CARO)

[http://www.bioontology.org/wiki/index.php/CARO:Main\\_Page](http://www.bioontology.org/wiki/index.php/CARO:Main_Page)

Environment Ontology (EnvO)

<http://environmentontology.org/>

Foundational Model of Anatomy (FMA)

<http://sig.biostr.washington.edu/projects/fm/>

Gene Ontology (GO)

<http://geneontology.org/>

Protein Ontology (PRO)

<http://pir.georgetown.edu/pro/>

Cell Ontology (CL)

<http://cellontology.org/>

Infectious Disease Ontology (IDO)

[http://infectiousdiseaseontology.org/page/Main\\_Page](http://infectiousdiseaseontology.org/page/Main_Page)

Ontology for Biomedical Investigations (OBI)

[http://obi-ontology.org/page/Main\\_Page](http://obi-ontology.org/page/Main_Page)

Phenotypic Quality Ontology (PATO)

[http://wiki.obofoundry.org/wiki/index.php/PATO:Main\\_Page](http://wiki.obofoundry.org/wiki/index.php/PATO:Main_Page)

Relation Ontology (RO)

# Ontologies and terminologies

## SNOMED

<http://www.ihtsdo.org/snomed-ct>

## Unified Medical Language System

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/research/umls/>

## National Cancer Institute Thesaurus

<https://ncit.nci.nih.gov/ncitbrowser/>

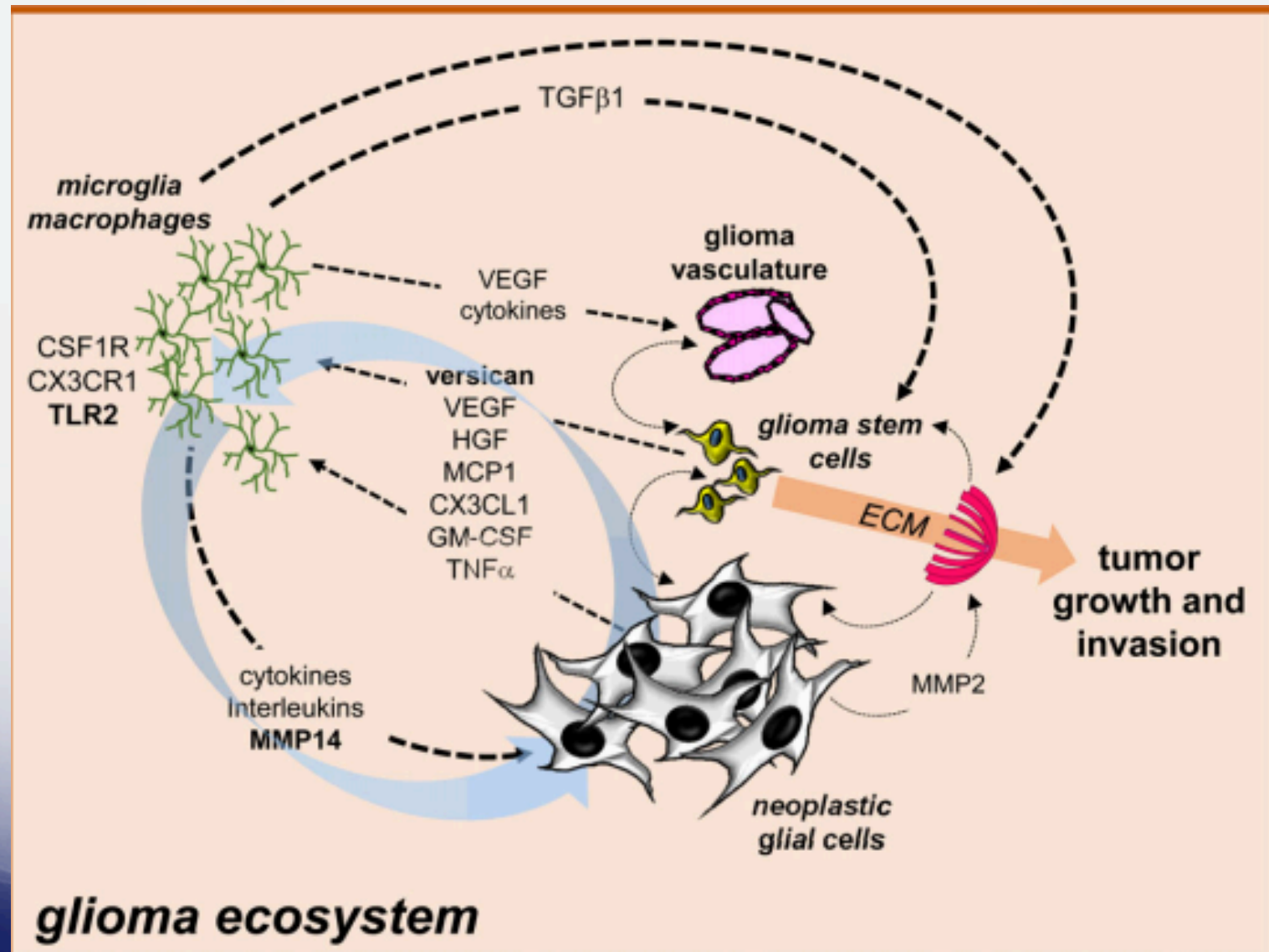
## HL7 Reference Information Model

[http://www.hl7.org/implement/standards/product\\_brief.cfm?product\\_id=78](http://www.hl7.org/implement/standards/product_brief.cfm?product_id=78)

## International Classification of Diseases ICD

<http://www.who.int/classifications/icd/en/>

# Can we reasoning on this?



- To enable reuse of data and information
- Avoid re-invention of the wheel
- Introduce standards to allow interoperability and automatic reasoning

# Helping communication between researchers



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