



Project Report: MedQueryPy

1 Introduction

This report covers the approach, methodology, and results of **MedQueryPy**, a Python package designed to fetch research papers from PubMed and identify those with authors affiliated with pharmaceutical or biotech companies.

2 Problem Statement

Research papers contain valuable insights, but finding relevant papers from **non-academic sources** is difficult. The goal of this project is to:

- Fetch **PubMed research papers** based on a user's query.
 - Identify papers with **at least one non-academic author**.
 - Extract key details like **title, publication date, authors, and affiliations**.
 - Save results in an **easy-to-use CSV format**.
 - Provide a **command-line tool** and a **Python module** for flexibility.
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3 Approach & Methodology

Step 1: Fetching Papers from PubMed

- We use the **PubMed API** to search for research papers based on user input.
- PubMed returns a **list of unique paper IDs (PubMed IDs)**.

Step 2: Extracting Paper Details

- Each paper ID is processed to extract:
 - **Title**
 - **Publication Date**
 - **Authors & Affiliations**
 - **Corresponding Author Email**

Step 3: Identifying Non-Academic Authors

- The program **filters out academic institutions** like "University," "Institute," "Lab."
- Authors affiliated with **biotech/pharma companies** (e.g., "Biotech," "Inc.," "Ltd.") are included.

Step 4: Exporting Results

- Results can be **printed on the console** or **saved to a CSV file** using the CLI.
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4 Implementation

The project is divided into two key components:

- **fetcher.py** → Handles all API requests & data processing.
- **cli.py** → Provides a command-line interface to run the tool.

Installation & Usage

To install the package:

```
pip install medquerypy
```

To fetch papers:

```
get-papers-list "COVID-19 vaccines"
```

To save results:

```
get-papers-list "COVID-19 vaccines" -f results.csv
```

5 Results

- The tool successfully fetches research papers and filters those with **non-academic authors**.
- **Sample output (CSV file):**

Pubmedl D	Title	Publicatio n Date	Non-acad emic Author(s)	Company Affiliation(s)	Corresponding Author Email
12345678	COVID-1 9 Vaccine Study	2025-01-01	Dr. John Doe	XYZ Biotech	johndoe@xyzbiotech.co m

6 Conclusion & Future Scope

What We Achieved 🎯

- ☒ Built a working **Python package** with CLI support.
- ☒ Successfully extracted and filtered **non-academic research papers**.
- ☒ Made the tool easy to use with **CSV exports & debugging mode**.

Next Steps 🚀

- Improve **accuracy of company affiliation detection**.
 - Optimize **API calls for faster performance**.
 - Integrate **AI models** to analyze paper relevance.
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7 Final Thoughts

MedQueryPy is a powerful tool that simplifies the process of fetching and analyzing research papers. Whether you're a researcher, biotech firm, or data analyst, this tool makes it easier to extract meaningful insights.

