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# Electronic Health Records (EHR)



"Systematized collection of patient and population electronically stored health information in a digital format" Structured and (mostly) Unstructured Data







**Omics Data** 



Medical Imaging





### **Medical Texts**

DEEPHEALTH

Clinical data in biomedical research

- Clinical Trial Protocols
- Physician Progress Notes
- Surgery Reports
- Radiology Reports

hyperagglutinability, 12-vear with known presented to the emergency department with a 2-week history of headeaches and facial weakness. Neurologic examination indicated sensorineural hearing loss on the right side with Weber's test lateralizing to the left, and the Rinne's test demonstrating bone conduction greater than air conduction on the right. Magnetic resonance imaging of the head revealed severe structural defects of the right petrous temporal bone. No indication of cerebral infarction.

Figure 1, Starlinger, J. et al. (2016)







# Radiology Reports



Clinical data in biomedical research



0001 REPORT: REASON FOR EXAM (Entered by ordering clinician into CRIS): hx of head and neck cancer. needs scan CT of the nasopharynx.

HISTORY: Head and neck cancer.

TECHNIQUE: Contiguous 2.5 mm axial images of the nasopharynx were performed without IV contrast. COMPARISON: xx/xx/xxxx.

FINDINGS: No soft tissue masses are seen within the soft tissues of the neck. The parotid and submandibular glands are predominantly fatty-replaced. Soft tissues of the Naso, oropharynx are unremarkable. There may be mild fat stranding of the right parapharyngeal soft tissues (series 1001, image 32). No abnormal masses are seen at that site. No bulky lymphadenopathy is seen. There is a fusiform aneurysm of the basilar artery as previously described. It appears to the mildly increased in size and currently measures 2.0 cm in transverse dimensions and previously measured 1.8 cm. It measured 1.5 cm in transverse dimensions on xx/xx/xxxx. Atherosclerotic calcifications are also seen within the carotid arteries bilaterally. There is near-complete opacification of the maxillary sinuses bilaterally. This has increased predominantly within the left maxillary sinus and mildly within the right maxillary sinus. The ethmoidal air cells are clear. Sphenoidal and frontal sinuses are clear. Degenerative changes of the cervical spine are noted.

IMPRESSIONS: 1. No soft tissue masses however, mild right parapharyngeal fat stranding is seen it may be postoperative or post radiation in nature. 2. Basilar artery aneurysm that has gradually increased in size when compared to prior examinations. 3. Atherosclerotic disease of the coronary arteries bilaterally...

Figure 1, Shin, H. et al. (2016)







# **Target Detection**



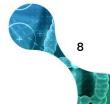
Methods



Figure 3b, Pérez-Díez, I. et al. (2021)

**Manual Detection Automatic Detection** Regex, lists of terms,... dd/mm/yyyy, dd.mm.yyyy mm/dd/yyyy, mm.dd.yyyy Machine Learning Named Entity Recognition

Name, Date, Number,...





## **Target Detection**



Regular expression and lists of terms matching

#### Matching dates

^([1-9] |1[0-9]| 2[0-9]|3[0-1])(.|-)([1-9] |1[0-2])(.|-|)20[0-9][0-9]\$



#### More Specific pattern

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} $$ $$ (?:(?:31(V|-|\.)(?:0?[13578]|1[02]|(?:Jan|Mar|May|Jul|Aug|Oct|Dec )))\\ $$ (?:(2:29|30)(V|-|\.)(?:0?[1,3-9]|1[0-2]|(?:Jan|Mar|Apr|May|Jun|Jul|Aug|Sep|Oct|Nov|Dec))\\ $$ (?:(2:1[6-9]|[2-9]\d)?\\ $$ (2:29)\d?(2:29$ 

#### List of existing names

Nombre	Frecuencia			
MARIA CARMEN	647,877			
MARIA	589,055			
CARMEN	375,835			
ANA MARIA	271,616			
JOSEFA	262,571			
MARIA PILAR	260,302			
ISABEL	258,873			
LAURA	257,680			
MARIA DOLORES	255,040			
MARIA TERESA	248,131			
ANA	246,892			
CRISTINA	228,022			
MARTA	226,974			
MARIA ANGELES	223,560			
LUCIA	208,878			
FRANCISCA	204,718			
MARIA ISABEL	203,839			
MARIA JOSE	203,236			





# **Target Detection**



**Named Entity Recognition (NER)** 

**NER Definition -** The task of identifying and categorizing key information (entities) in text. NER is a form of Natural Language Processing (NLP).

Albert Einstein
Person

is a physicist who was born in

German Place

Heat Action frying pan
Cooking Tool

add

pork Food

miso paste Food

, and

fry them

#### **Examples of NERs**

- Names
- Organizations
- Places
- Phone Numbers
- Genes
- Diseases
- Compounds

https://medium.com/optuna/nerman-named-entity-recognition-system-built-on-allennlp-and-optuna-c044c319b955





### **De-identification**



MRI Brain

Date of service: 24/11/2020

Patient: Alberto Pérez

Findings: The ventricles, cisterns...

Substitution





Elimination

MRI Brain

Date of service: 13/04/2002

Patient: Juan Martínez

Findings: The ventricles, cisterns...

MRI Brain

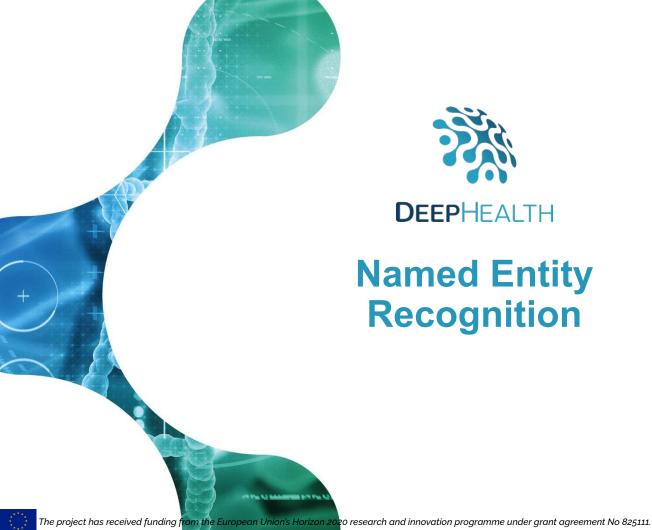
Date of service: XX/XX/XXXX

Patient: XXXXX

Findings: The ventricles, cisterns...











# **NER - Machine Learning**



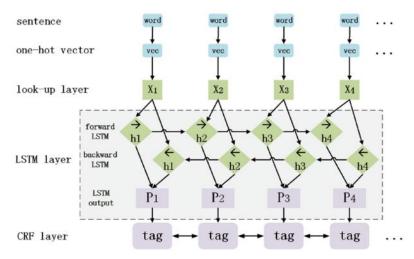


Figure 3, Ji, B. et al. (2019)

- Automatic processing of texts
- Fast and Accurate
- Adaptable to custom entities
- Requires a ML model trained with a suitable annotated dataset (corpus)
- Generation of corpus is expensive in terms of time and work







# **Corpus construction**



An abundant and representative set of texts

#### **Define Named Entities**

Select relevant entities to be identified

#### Train and test models

Split dataset and keep a subset to evaluate the model performance

#### Manually label texts

Aided with regex and lists of terms







### **NER metrics**



	Predicted Positives	Predicted Negatives
Positives	True Positives (TP)	False Negatives (FN)
Negatives	False Positives (FP)	True Negatives (TN)

$$precision = rac{TP}{TP + FP}$$
  $recall = rac{TP}{TP + FN}$   $F1score = rac{2 \cdot precision \cdot recall}{precision + recall}$ 



## **Applications of NER**



#### Texts Anonymization

MRI Brain

Date of service: XX/XX/XXXX

Patient: XXXXX

Findings: The ventricles, cisterns...

#### Structure Data

MRI Brain

Date of service: 24/11/2020

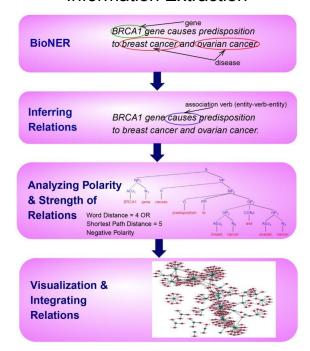
Patient: Alberto Pérez Findings: The ventricles,

cisterns...



Patient	Alberto Pérez
Date	24/11/2020
Disease	
Treatment	

#### Information Extraction









### The dataset



#### A

DIAGNÒSTIC / DIAGNÓSTICO

TORRES NAME

NOM FACULTATIU / NOMBRE FACULTATIVO

RAFAEL NAME TORRES NAME NAVAJAS NAME

METGE PETICIONARI / MÉDICO PETICIONARIO

JOSE NAME ALONSO NAME GIL NAME

R.M. Cerebral, 26/07/2017 FECHA

R.M. Columna cervical, 08/04/2011 FECHA

VALORACIÓ CAB / VALORACIÓN CAB

protocolo de volumetría cerebral y cervical, gadovist 10 ml iv.

ggc-38139

Tras valoración comparativa con previos, ausencia de incremento de carga lesional o de actividad inflamatoria, no existiendo focos con realce tras el contraste.

Volumen C2-C6: 6.788cm3

área C2. 94.67m2

Hospital INST Clínico INST Universitario INST de INST Granada INST

SIP 294321 NUM NÚM.D'HISTÒRIA CLÍNICA

NÚM. DE HISTORIA CLÍNICA 594637 NUM

DATA NAIXEMENT

FECHA NACIMIENTO 13 de enero de 1972 FECHA

DIRECCIÓ

DIRECCION CALLE DIR PAJARO DIR VERDE DIR - 21 18299 DIR

VALENCIA LOC

#### В

Datos del paciente

Nombre: Rocio NAME

Apellidos: Pérez NAME Ontiveros NAME

NHC: 22 75689632 36 NUM

Domicilio: Av DIR de DIR Leon DIR 66 DIR 1H DIR

Localidad/Provincia: Lleida Loc

CP: 06233 NUM

Fecha de nacimiento: 05/04/1937 FECHA

País de nacimiento: España Loc Edad: 10 años Sexo: Varón

Fecha de ingreso: 15/08/2016 FECHA

Servicio: Oftalmología

Médico: Ender NAME Goñi NAME Moreno NAME N°Col: 15 15 31525 NUM

Consulta por dolor abdominal, observándose en la ecografía una masa renal. Se realizó biopsia tru-cut diagnosticada de tumor mesenquimal benigno. Fue intervenido quirúrgicamente.

#### Hallazgos CAB histológicos CAB

Se trataba de una proliferación de células fusocelulares con zonas de diferentes densidades sin atípias ni mitosis. Las células del estroma eran positivas para CD-34 y vimentina.

Ultraestructuralmente el tumor presenta células mesenquimales inmaduras

Dirección para correspondencia: Irene NAME Amat NAME Villegas NAME

Pedro DIR de DIR Alejandría DIR Nº 1 DIR , 31014 DIR Pamplona Loc

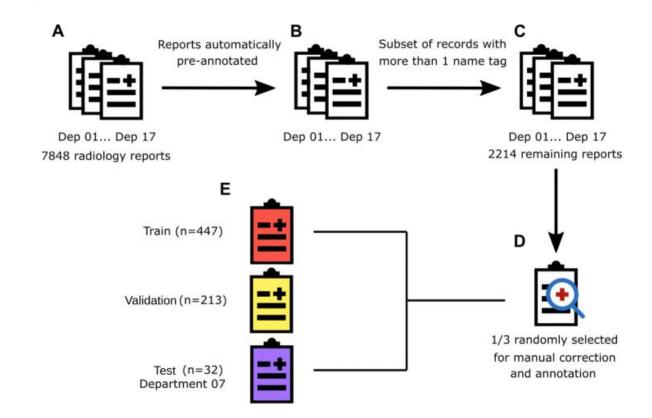
Navarra Loc





## **Corpus Construction**





### Pre-annotation Manual revision Corpus creation Spanish National Statistics Institute Substitution of the marked NEs by randomized ones Synthetic corpus Randomizer script Hospital and clinic

Substitution of the marked NEs by

randomized ones

New report





NEs	Description				
CAB	Section headers				
NAME	Names and surnames (patient and others)				
DIR	Full addresses, including streets, numbers and zip codes				
LOC	Cities, inside and outside addresses				
NUM	Numbers or alphanumeric strings that might identify someone, including digital signatures, patient num medical numbers, medical license numbers and others				
FECHA	Dates				
INST	Hospitals, healthcare centres or other institutions that might point to someone's location				



Municipality addresses

Clinical report

Model selection

NER training



## **Results**



	Training set			Validation set		Test set			MEDDOCAN			
	Precision	Recall	F1	Precision	Recall	F1	Precision	Recall	F1	Precision	Recall	F1
CAB	99.43	96.54	97.96	98.28	93.98	96.08	92.54	74.49	82.52	4.76	33.33	8.33
DIR	100	100	100	94.28	63.96	76.01	87.79	74.77	61.46	43.15	4.47	8.01
FECHA	100	100	100	98.54	99.04	98.78	98.20	97.53	97.86	51.39	89.41	65.13
INST	99.97	99.96	99.98	98.19	97.24	97.71	93.50	98.00	95.69	45.72	12.28	19.27
LOC	100	100	100	76.64	54.66	63.80	61.04	26.85	36.79	7.19	0.32	0.59
NAME	100	99.99	99.99	98.34	98.28	98.31	88.78	94.29	93.19	75.62	83.91	79.23
NUM	100	100	100	97.81	95.65	96.72	95.11	87.56	91.18	68.50	60.32	63.99
	99.87	99.28	99.58	98.06	96.10	97.08	93.23	89.39	91.31	65.63	55.37	59.98



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# De-identifying Spanish medical texts named entity recognition applied to radiology reports



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