

Covid-19 ontology resources for libraries

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Quality criteria

➤ Library needs

- a framework for the comparison of different semantic data sources in the COVID-19 pandemic
- an all-integrating ontology for coronavirus disease knowledge and data

➤ Covid-19 ontologies an emerging technology in libraries

➤ Issues

- online services and/or applications based on ontologies or SKOS-based COVID-19 thesauri are still rare
- in spite of using ontologies in the Semantic Web, meanings of concepts and relationships are still largely unrealized

Comparing the existing Covid-19 biomedical ontologies from the library

➤ **Ontologies building into a disease classification all the attributes**

➤ WHO COVID-19 Rapid Version CRF semantic data model (COVIDCRFRAPID) and the COVID-19 Surveillance Ontology (COVID19) are organized according to these data retrieval rules

➤ **Ontologies separating attributes with metadata, evidence and provenance**

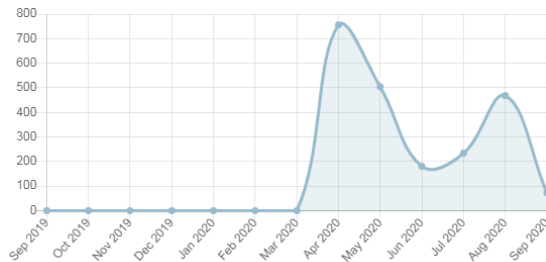
➤ COVID-19 Infectious Disease Ontology (IDO-COVID-19) and the Community-driven Coronavirus Infectious Disease Ontology (CIDO) give out to new discoveries and concepts in their coverage

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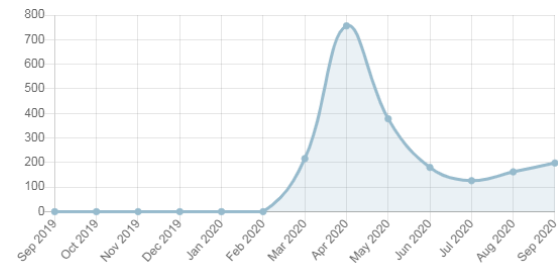
➤ **COVIDCRFRAPID and the COVID-19 Surveillance Ontology manage Covid-19 data stored in electronic medical records**

➤ Relevant issues

- They afford with sources of clinical information in unprocessed textual formats
- Insufficient described information hampers its interpretation
- Difficulties for searching, summarization, decision support, and statistical analysis



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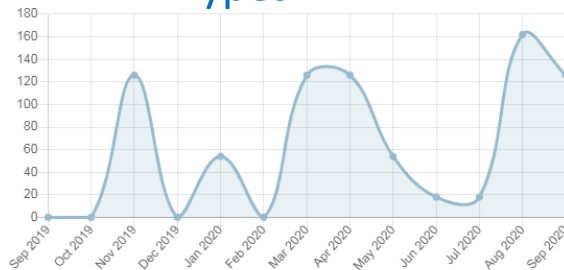
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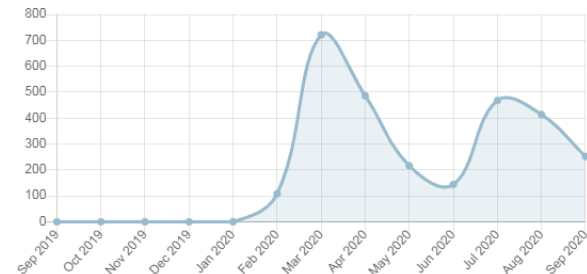
➤ **IDO-COVID-19 and CIDO are open to the capabilities of semantic annotators to filter ontologies by semantic types**

➤ **Main advantages**

- They can annotate free text and keep only certain broad types of annotations and textual formats
- Their recognition of broad entity types (e.g. gene, drug, disease) is an utility of high interest for the BioNLP community
- These major semantic groups are often used as coarse-grained groupings of the Unified Medical Language System (UMLS) Semantic Types



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➤ Issue

- In the absence of canonical data structures it is impossible to contemplate COVID-19 successful biomedical research

➤ Library help

- Research at the library is necessary to the effective practice of making biomedical ontologies work



Harvey Cushing/John Hay Whitney Medical Library

Research Data Management for the Health Sciences: Metadata and Ontology Schemas

A way to have more research on ontologies available from Yale Library

Workshop on COVID-19 Ontologies. Friday, October 23, 2020
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➤ Issue

- Storing large-scale RDF has been an urgent need since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic

➤ Library help

- Libraries have a great deal of experience in managing RDF data.
- Expert Librarians are needed:
 - **for the creation of meaningful mappings**
 - **for finding associations between concepts of local data models and existing ontologies**



The research at the library is a call for the use of COVID-19 ontologies

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Building semantics in the domain of COVID-19 data is feasible through an OBO Library approach

➤ **A new direction for research at the Library would be the assessment and ranking of COVID-19 ontologies**

- Library as an institution is interested by the formalization of shared terms
- Library should be involved in providing ontology's quality and suitability exercises
- Standardization efforts in the field of COVID-19 biomedical ontologies would be extremely valuable if done together with libraries



The work of Libraries concerning Covid-19 ontologies

- outlines the core use cases
- characterizes the unique features and coverage of these ontologies
- explains the degree these ontologies are based on NLM resources
- describes the ontologies search features and limitations
- characterizes the importance and comparability of biomedical ontologies as an issue to share data and knowledge
- suggests a design ontological based approach to improve the semantic interoperability of coronavirus data



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