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Let's publish scientific claims in formal logic!

Obesity when accompanied by metabolic abnormality is closely associated with knee osteoarthritis.

CONTEXT-CLASS ("in the context of all ..."):	Person
SUBJECT-CLASS ("things of type ..."):	Obesity together with metabolic abnormality
QUALIFIER:	generally*
RELATION-TYPE ("have a relation of type..."):	co-occurs with
OBJECT-CLASS ("to things of type..."):	Knee osteoarthritis

* this qualifier was changed to "frequently" in a new version

How can we represent high-level claims?

- Using [the SuperPattern ontology](#)

SuperPattern Ontology

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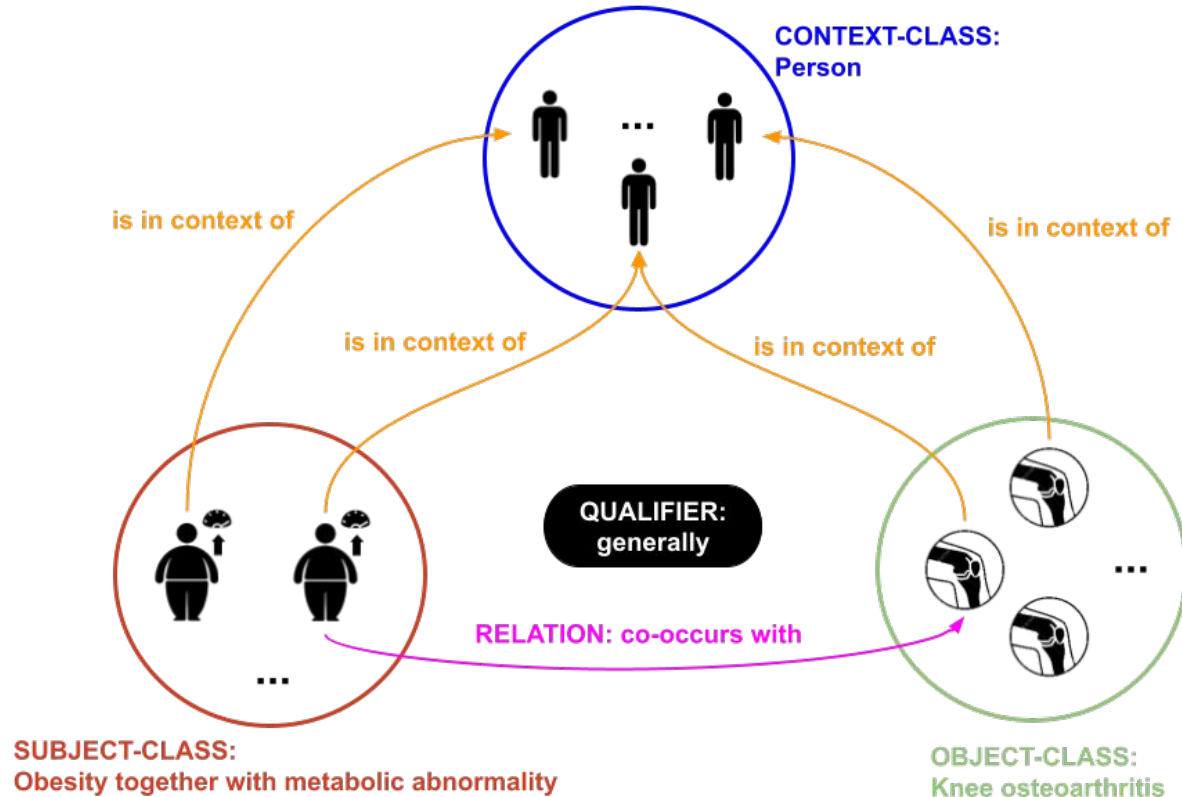
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SuperPattern interpretation



Informally:

Every thing of type **obesity together with metabolic abnormality** that is in the context of a thing of type **person** **generally*** (in at least 90% of the cases) has a relation of type "**co-occurs with**" to a thing of type **knee osteoarthritis** that is in the same context.

* this qualifier was changed to "frequently" (in at least 10% of the cases) in a new version

Publishing such claims as nanopublications

```
@prefix this: <http://purl.org/np/RAc5YnYevWeUd1igtqMi_eKGVhxVj7IBZ9mTY8-aCnLI> .
@prefix sub: <http://purl.org/np/RAc5YnYevWeUd1igtqMi_eKGVhxVj7IBZ9mTY8-aCnLI#> .
@prefix np: <http://www.nanopub.org/nschema#> .
@prefix dct: <http://purl.org/dc/terms/> .
@prefix nt: <https://w3id.org/np/o/ntemplate/> .
@prefix npx: <http://purl.org/nanopub/x/> .
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#> .
@prefix orcid: <https://orcid.org/> .
@prefix prov: <http://www.w3.org/ns/prov#> .
@prefix sp: <https://w3id.org/linkflows/superpattern/terms/> .
```

```
sub:Head {
  this: np:hasAssertion sub:assertion ;
  np:hasProvenance sub:provenance ;
  np:hasPublicationInfo sub:pubinfo ;
  a np:Nanopublication .
}
```

```
sub:assertion {
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  sp:hasObjectClass <http://www.wikidata.org/entity/Q1777118> ;
  sp:hasQualifier sp:generallyQualifier ;
  sp:hasRelation sp:cooccursWith ;
  sp:hasSubjectClass <http://purl.org/RAVYczMihUbgryLu1x8xhoqR6LQe4FSoWmF35CQHfR5xE#obesity-with-metabolic-abnormality> .
}
```

```
sub:provenance {
  sub:assertion prov:wasDerivedFrom <https://doi.org/10.3109/14397595.2014.939393> .
}
```

```
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  npx:hasPublicKey
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  this: dct:created "2021-05-07T15:35:00.337+03:00"^^xsd:dateTime ;
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  npx:introduces sub:spi ;
  npx:supersedes <http://purl.org/np/RA6Lpsa8P2nPzCY7ukUtnrYR1RtyFDI6GQVu8fgHJLxD0> ;
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@prefix npx: <http://purl.org/nanopub/x/> .
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}
```

CONTEXT-CLASS (“in the context of all ...”):

Person

SUBJECT-CLASS (“things of type ...”):

Obesity together with metabolic abnormality

QUALIFIER:

generally*

RELATION-TYPE (“have a relation of type...”):

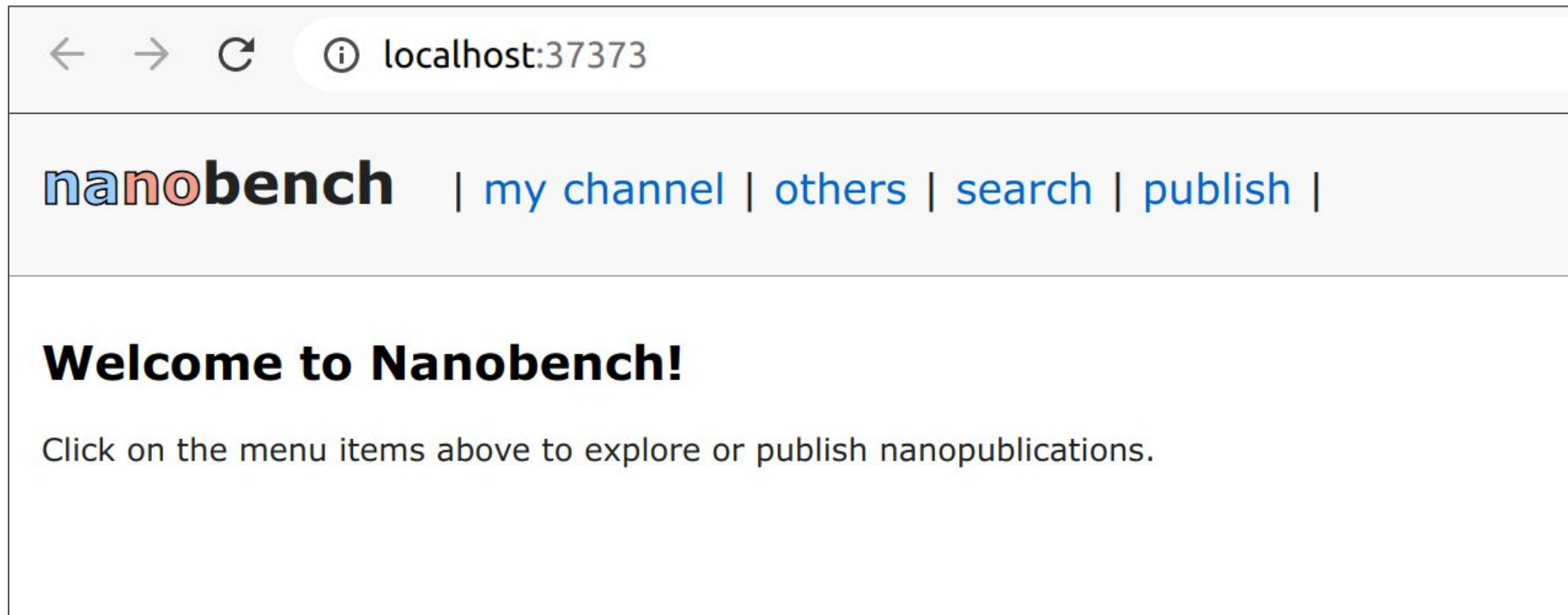
co-occurs with

OBJECT-CLASS (“to things of type...”):

Knee osteoarthritis

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Nanobench: user interface for publishing nanopublications



Task 1: Set up Nanobench (*now*)



- [Nanobench installation instructions](#)
- [Nanobench installation instructions with Docker](#)

Formalization paper

- A paper consisting of RDF statements that express a single scientific claim
- The scientific claim is from an existing publication
- Written with deep formal semantics from the start
- Contains a formalization of the scientific claim
- Peer-reviewed in RDF
- Same bibliometric status as a classic scientific paper (with DOIs, etc.)

Super-pattern template in Nanobench

Nanobench → *Publish* → *Expressing a general claim with a super-pattern:*

Assertion: Expressing a general claim with a super-pattern [^] ([change](#))

SPI: This is a super-pattern instance .

SPI: In the context of all things of type .

SPI: ... things of type .

SPI: ... (qualifier) .

SPI: ... have a relation of type .

SPI: ... to things of type .

Provenance: [^]

is attributed to .

Publication info

Creator: [^]

is created by .

☐ I understand that publishing cannot be undone and that the provided information will be publicly visible and openly connected to my ORCID identifier.

More examples of super-pattern statements

- Symbiosis and pathogenesis of Sinorhizobium meliloti share common molecular mechanisms.

```
CONTEXT-CLASS ("in the context of all ..."):    sinorhizobium-meliloti
SUBJECT-CLASS ("things of type ..."):           molecular-mechanism-symbiosis
QUALIFIER:                                     sometimes
RELATION-TYPE ("have a relation of type ..."): [subj] isSameAs [obj]
OBJECT-CLASS ("to things of type ..."):         molecular-mechanism-pathogenesis
```

More examples of super-pattern statements

- Symbiosis and pathogenesis of Sinorhizobium meliloti share common molecular mechanisms.
- Lifelong education in the electro-mechanical industry requires extensive international knowledge of their workers.

```
CONTEXT-CLASS ("in the context of all ..."): worker-in-electromechanical-industry
SUBJECT-CLASS ("things of type ..."): lifelong-education
QUALIFIER: generally
RELATION-TYPE ("have a relation of type ..."): [subj] requires [obj]
OBJECT-CLASS ("to things of type ..."): extensive-international-knowledge
```

More examples of super-pattern statements

- Symbiosis and pathogenesis of Sinorhizobium meliloti share common molecular mechanisms.
- Lifelong education in the electro-mechanical industry requires extensive international knowledge of their workers.
- Human ovarian and endometrial cancer cell lines are frequently misidentified.

```
CONTEXT-CLASS ("in the context of all ..."):  NONE
SUBJECT-CLASS ("things of type ..."):          human-ovarian-cancer-cell-line OR
                                              human-endometrial-cancer-cell-line
QUALIFIER:                                     frequently
RELATION-TYPE ("have a relation of type ..."): [subj] includes [obj]
OBJECT-CLASS ("to things of type ..."):        misidentification
```

More examples of super-pattern statements

- Symbiosis and pathogenesis of Sinorhizobium meliloti share common molecular mechanisms.
- Lifelong education in the electro-mechanical industry requires extensive international knowledge of their workers.
- Human ovarian and endometrial cancer cell lines are frequently misidentified.
- Inexpensive photocells for the Arduino-Visual Basic interface can be used for recording and controlling events in operant research.

```
CONTEXT-CLASS ("in the context of all ..."):    operant-research
SUBJECT-CLASS ("things of type ..."):           inexpensive-photocell-for-arduino-vb-interface
QUALIFIER:                                     can generally
RELATION-TYPE ("have a relation of type ..."): [subj] contributesTo [obj]
OBJECT-CLASS ("to things of type ..."):         recording-controlling-events-activity
```

More examples of super-pattern statements

- Symbiosis and pathogenesis of Sinorhizobium meliloti share common molecular mechanisms.
- Lifelong education in the electro-mechanical industry requires extensive international knowledge of their workers.
- Human ovarian and endometrial cancer cell lines are frequently misidentified.
- Inexpensive photocells for the Arduino-Visual Basic interface can be used for recording and controlling events in operant research.
- **Solid and cancellous autogenous bone grafts are used in the treatment of acute bone loss and nonunion.**

```
CONTEXT-CLASS ("in the context of all ..."): acute-bone-loss OR acute-bone-nonunion
SUBJECT-CLASS ("things of type ..."): solid-autogenous-bone-graft OR
cancellous-autogenous-bone-graft
QUALIFIER: can generally
RELATION-TYPE ("have a relation of type ..."): [subj] contributesTo [obj]
OBJECT-CLASS ("to things of type ..."): treatment
```


More examples of super-pattern statements

- Symbiosis and pathogenesis of Sinorhizobium meliloti share common molecular mechanisms.
- Lifelong education in the electro-mechanical industry requires extensive international knowledge of their workers.
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- Solid and cancellous autogenous bone grafts are used in the treatment of acute bone loss and nonunion.

Helper! You will be provided with a helper document that can be used to create your scientific claim and its basic formalization.

Task 2: Pick paper with claim to formalize (*May*)

- Find a scientific paper (yours or somebody else's) from which to formalize one of its high-level scientific claims
- As an intermediate step, you may want to express your claim as an [AIDA sentence](#)
 - expressing claims in a general way
 - AIDA sentences: English sentences that are Atomic, Independent, Declarative, and Absolute
 - absoluteness property: excluding information about how the claim was derived and how certain we can be about its truth

Task 2: Pick paper with claim to formalize (*May*)

- [Lee S. et al. Obesity, metabolic abnormality, and knee osteoarthritis: a cross-sectional study in Korean women. Mod Rheumatol. 2015 Mar;25\(2\):292-7. doi: 10.3109/14397595.2014.939393.](#)
- Scientific claim expressed as an AIDA sentence:

Obesity when accompanied by metabolic abnormality is closely associated with knee osteoarthritis.

Task 3: Create abstract version of instantiated super-pattern (*May*)

CONTEXT-CLASS (“in the context of all ...”):	Person
SUBJECT-CLASS (“things of type ...”):	Obesity together with metabolic abnormality
QUALIFIER:	<u>generally*</u>
RELATION-TYPE (“have a relation of type...”):	<u>co-occurs with</u>
OBJECT-CLASS (“to things of type...”):	Knee osteoarthritis

- Use the [SuperPatter ontology](#) to find the qualifier and the relation type that is the closest to the desired representation

Task 3: Create abstract version of instantiated super-pattern (*May*)

CONTEXT-CLASS (“in the context of all ...”):	<u>Person</u>
SUBJECT-CLASS (“things of type ...”):	Obesity together with metabolic abnormality
QUALIFIER:	generally*
RELATION-TYPE (“have a relation of type...”):	co-occurs with
OBJECT-CLASS (“to things of type...”):	<u>Knee osteoarthritis</u>

- Link new classes to [WikiData](#) where possible
 - Person (~[Human](#))
 - [Knee osteoarthritis](#)
- Nanobench connects to WikiData and provides autocomplete when filling in forms

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Task 4: Define new classes where needed (*June*)

CONTEXT-CLASS (“in the context of all ...”):	Person
SUBJECT-CLASS (“things of type ...”):	<u>Obesity together with metabolic abnormality</u>
QUALIFIER:	generally*
RELATION-TYPE (“have a relation of type...”):	co-occurs with
OBJECT-CLASS (“to things of type...”):	Knee osteoarthritis

- *Nanobench* → *Publish* → *Defining a new class*
(we’ll worry about the class definitions later; discuss it with us)

Assertion: Defining a new class ^ ([change](#))

```
obesity-with-metabolic-abnormal is a class .
obesity-with-metabolic-abnormal is called "obesity with metabolic abnormality" .
obesity-with-metabolic-abnormal is defined as follows: "Obesity conditions together with metabolic abnormality." .
obesity-with-metabolic-abnormal is a subclass of https://www.wikidata.org/Q12174 . (optional)
```

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Task 5: Publish the first version of your super-pattern instance with Nanobench (*June*)

Nanobench → *Publish* → *Expressing a general claim with a super-pattern:*

Assertion: Expressing a general claim with a super-pattern ^ (change)

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SPI: ... (qualifier) .

SPI: ... have a relation of type .

SPI: ... to things of type .

Provenance: ^

was derived from .

Publication info

Creator: ^

is created by .

Task 6: Review some other contributions (*June-August*)

Nanobench → *Publish* → *Making a review comment according to the [LinkFlows model](#):*

Publish a new Nanopublication

Assertion: Making a review comment according to the LinkFlows model ^ ([change](#))

This comment is a review comment .

This comment refers to the URL of the paper or text this review comment is about .

This comment is a comment about the content x ▾ .

This comment is a negative comment x ▾ .

This comment is a comment that declares that an action is needed x ▾ .

This comment has impact level " integer value from 1 (low impact) to 5 (high impact) " .

This comment has the comment text " The content of this comment as free text " .

Provenance: Attributed to myself ▾ ^

The assertion above is attributed to me .

Publication info add element... ▾

Creator: ^

This nanopublication is created by me .

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Publish

Task 7: Improve your contributions based on reviews and publish new version (*July-August*)

Nanobench → *my channel*:

http://purl.org/np/RAC5YnYevWeUd1igtqMi_eKGVhxVj7IBZ9mTY8-aCNII | Actions: [comment...](#) [retract...](#) [update...](#)

```
spi type SuperPatternInstance .
spi hasContextClass Q5 .
spi hasObjectClass Q1777118 .
spi hasQualifier generallyQualifier .
spi hasRelation cooccursWith .
spi hasSubjectClass obesity-with-metabolic-abnormality .
```

this assertion wasDerivedFrom 14397595.2014.939393 .

```
sig hasAlgorithm "RSA" .
sig hasPublicKey
"MIGfMA0GCSqGSIb3DQEBQUAA4GNADCBiQKBgQCJLM78d80R+gFMoQB1IG3f7AbqqG0CIv4HmZd1cx1KgEWMUUPsojFNvx84fC/TltcJ8F8.
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sig hasSignature
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this wasCreatedFromProvenanceTemplate RAcTpoh5Ra .
this wasCreatedFromPubinfoTemplate RAA2MfqdBc .
this wasCreatedFromPubinfoTemplate RAjpBMLw3o .
this wasCreatedFromTemplate RAiL1AYhAZ .
```

Task 8: If accepted: Make official final version (*September*)

Publish a new Nanopublication

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Provenance: [^]

The assertion above was derived from .

Publication info

Creator: [^]

is created by me .

This is what it will
look like eventually
(roughly)

A formalization of one of the main claims of “Obesity, metabolic abnormality, and knee osteoarthritis: a cross-sectional study in Korean women” by Lee S. et al.

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Abstract

I present here a formalization of one of the main findings of the article “Obesity, metabolic abnormality, and knee osteoarthritis: a cross-sectional study in Korean women” by Lee S. et al., originally published in *Modern Rheumatology* in 2015.

1. Formalization

I will here briefly explain the formalization as specified in the [nanopublication representation](#) of this publication.

The main claim of [1] covered here can be informally expressed in the following sentence: *Obesity when accompanied by metabolic abnormality is closely associated with knee osteoarthritis.*

...

References

[1] Lee S. et al. Obesity, metabolic abnormality, and knee osteoarthritis: a cross-sectional study in Korean women. *Mod Rheumatol*. 2015 Mar;25(2):292-7. doi: [10.3109/14397595.2014.939393](https://doi.org/10.3109/14397595.2014.939393).



Any questions?

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