

# How to use Cohort Explorer

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## 1 Introduction

This software tool is designed to extract data from a randomized subset of individuals within a cohort and make it available for exploration in a ‘Shiny’ application environment. It retrieves date-stamped, event-level records from one or more data sources that represent patient data in the Observational Medical Outcomes Partnership (OMOP) data model format. This tool features a user-friendly interface that enables users to efficiently explore the extracted profiles, thereby facilitating applications, such as reviewing structured profiles. The output of this R-package is a self-contained R shiny that contains person-level data for review.

### 1.1 Warning:

- Contains person level data. This package is not to be considered de-identified.
- Please do not share the output with others as it may violate protected health information.
- .RDS file in output contains PHI.

### 1.2 Assumptions:

- You have instantiated a valid cohort in a cohort table.
- You have access to person level data in the OMOP CDM V5.x + format on a database.
- You only need read access to the person level data. But you should have privileges to join the cohort table in the cohortDatabaseSchema with the person level data in the cdmDatabaseSchema.
- You have installed R and R-studio as described in the Book of OHDSI

cohortDatabaseSchema: Schema name where your cohort tables reside. cdmDatabaseSchema: Schema name where your OMOP CDM tables with person level data reside.

## 2 Creating the shiny application

CohortExplorer has one function `createCohortExplorerApp` that when properly configured will connect to your database, check if the cohort table is instantiated, identify (random) sample of persons, extract their person level data, compile the output into an executable shiny application that may be executed.

Example: in the configuration example shown below, your output folder is "D:/myProject". The output will be created in that location.

```
connectionDetails <-  
  DatabaseConnector::createConnectionDetails(  
    dbms = "postgresql",  
    server = "some.server.com/ohdsi",  
    user = "joe",  
    password = "secret"  
  )  
  
createCohortExplorerApp <- function(connectionDetails = connectionDetails,  
                                   cohortDatabaseSchema = "cohort",  
                                   cdmDatabaseSchema = "CDM",  
                                   vocabularyDatabaseSchema = "CDM",  
                                   cohortTable = "myCohortTable",  
                                   cohortDefinitionId,  
                                   cohortName = "personsWithSomeDisease",  
                                   sampleSize = 25,  
                                   exportFolder = "D:/myProject",  
                                   databaseId,  
                                   shiftDates = FALSE,  
                                   assignNewId = FALSE)
```

In the `exportFolder` location there will be a

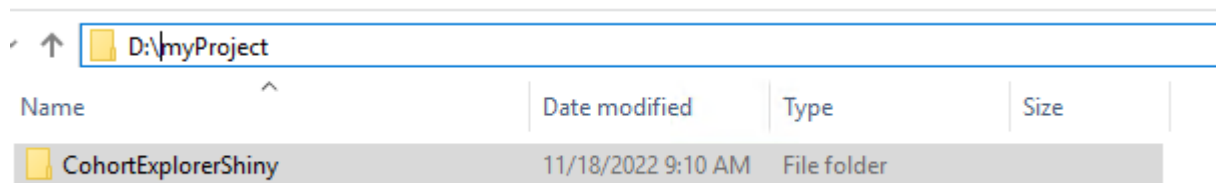


Figure 1: CohortExplorerShiny

Inside that folder is the

Name	Date modif
data	11/18/2022
R	11/18/2022
renv	11/18/2022
CohortExplorer.Rproj	11/18/2022
global.R	11/18/2022
README.md	11/18/2022
renv.lock	11/18/2022
server.R	11/18/2022
ui.R	11/18/2022

## 2.1 How to run app locally

Please ensure all R and R-studio sessions are closed on your computer. Then, double click the file CohortExplorer.Rproj. This will start RStudio. We recommend that you now run `renv::restore()` as it will set up all R package dependencies and if executed properly will ensure your app will run smoothly. You can then start the shiny app by typing in R studio console

```
R version 4.2.1 (2022-06-23 ucrt) -- "Funny-Looking Kid"
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Platform: x86_64-w64-mingw32/x64 (64-bit)

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'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.

> shiny::runApp()
```

Figure 2: Shiny::runApp()

## 2.2 How to run app on a R Studio server

Please zip the CohortExplorerShiny folder into one zip file and upload to the folder on the remote R studio server. The name of the folder in the remote R studio server should become the published Shiny App name (url)