Rules Dictionary Implementation

The dictionary was created by sequential pattern mining in the 26,255 abstracts classified as positive. Keywords related to the activity of anticancer agents were also used. First, abstracts with at least one association of recognized polyphenol-cancer or polyphenol-gene entities were selected and tokenized into sentences using the sent_detect_nlp function of the R qdap package. Only sentences containing at least 6 terms and 40 characters were considered. A total of 250,796 sentences were generated and 72,019 containing associations between entities (polyphenol-cancer, polyphenol-gene, gene-cancer) were selected.

Next, the 72.019 sentences were processed similar to the procedure described by (1). in which the entities were replaced with specific markers (CH& for the polyphenol entity; D&S for the cancer entity, and G&N for the gene entity). For example, the sentence "Curcumin inhibits invasion and migration of human pancreatic cancer via suppression of the ERK/NF-kB pathway" was changed to "CH& inhibits invasion and migration of human D&S via suppression of the G&N pathway" after processing. The sentences containing the substituted entities were preprocessed (removal of PubMed stopwords (PubMed HELP Available <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK3827/pdf/Bookshelf NBK3827.pdf>. Accessed 6 November 2018), punctuation and single letters, cleaning of noise and special characters). Among the stopwords, prepositions were not removed since they are useful for searching associations between entities in the sentences (1,2).

After pre-processing, the 72,019 sentences were represented in the form of sequences for frequent sequential pattern mining, totaling 1,373,000 transactions (terms). The SPADE algorithm (3) available in the cSPADE function of the R arulesSequences package was used for mining. A support value of 0.0004 was adopted, i.e., only patterns that were present in at least 0.04% of all sequences (~30 sentences) were extracted. Patterns containing only one transaction and support \geq 0.01 (~720 sentences), together with verbs (e.g., inhibited, suppressed, induces, active), keywords (e.g., inhibition, regulation, suppression, invasion, apoptosis, proliferation) and prepositions (e.g., of, by, in, on), related to anticancer activity, cancer markers and other more specific mechanisms (4-6) were used for the selection of patterns with associations between entities (e.g., <{CH&},{inhibited},{proliferation},{D&S}>, <{CH&},{inhibited},{invasion},{D&S}>, <{CH},{increased},{expression},{GN}>).

The selected patterns were analyzed manually and used for the elaboration of 25 categorized rules [anticancer activity of polyphenols (10 rules – R1 to R10), regulatory activity of genes and polyphenols (2 rules – R11 and R12), cancer markers (9 rules – HM12 to HM10), specific epigenetic markers (R13), novel drug (R14), cancer (R15), and conclusion/result (R16)] for the recognition of associations between entities in the sentences based on regular expressions (7-9). Supplementary Table 1 lists the rule specifications with the selected patterns and keywords, as well as the regular expressions created.

Supplementary Table 1. Rules created for information extraction

Rules for Associations of Anticancer Activity of Polyphenols

Rules for Associations of Anticancer Activity of Polyphenois	
Sequences (patterns)	Rules and regular expressions
<{CH},{inhibited},{DS}> <{CH},{blocked},{DS}> <{CH},{suppressed},{DS}> <{CH},{attenuated},{DS}> <{CH},{reduced},{DS}> <{CH},{reduced},{DS}> <{CH},{reduce},{DS}> <{CH},{reduce},{DS}> <{CH},{prevent},{DS}> <{CH},{prevent},{DS}>	Rule 1 Code: R1 verb related to cancer inhibitory activity, detected by the regular expression: (inhibits inhibited inhibit blocks blocked suppress suppressed suppresses attenuate attenuated attenuates reduce reduces reduced prevent prevents prevented)[\\w]*
<{CH},{inhibited},{proliferation},{DS}> <{CH},{inhibit},{invasion}> <{CH},{suppressed},{growth},{DS}> <{CH},{inhibit},{growth}> <{CH},{inhibit},{migration}> <{CH},{inhibit},{angiogenesis}> <{CH},{inhibit},{metastasis}> <{CH},{inhibit},{metastasis}> <{CH},{reduced},{viability},{DS}> <{CH},{viability},{Of},{DS}>	Rule 2 Code: R2 verb + term related to cancer inhibitory activity, detected by the regular expression: (inhibit inhibits inhibited suppress suppresses suppressed reduce reduced)[\\w]*(.*)(invasion growth migration angiogenesis metastasis viability proliferation cancer carcinogenese cells cell line tumor tumour neoplasm)[\\w]*
<{CH},{protective},{against}> <{CH},{activity},{against}> <{CH},{activities},{against},{DS}> <{CH},{effects},{against},{DS}> <{CH},{agent},{against},{DS}> <{CH},{protect},{against},{DS}> <{CH},{potent},{against},{DS}> <{CH},{protect},{against},{DS}> <{CH},{effective},{against},{DS}> <{CH},{promising},{against},{DS}> <{CH},{promising},{against},{DS}> <{CH},{cytotoxicity},{against},{DS}> <{CH},{cytotoxicity},{against},{DS}> <{CH},{chemopreventive},{against},{DS}> <	Rule 3 Code: R3 term + term related to anticancer activity, detected by the regular expression: (protective activity activities effects agent protect potent effective promising cytotoxicity cytotoxic chemopreventiv e anticancer anti-cancer antitumor antitumor antitumor antiproliferative antiproliferative inhibitory)[\\w]*(.*)(against)[\\w]*
<{CH},{caused},{inhibition},{of},{DS}> <{CH},{resulted},{inhibition},{of},{DS}> <{CH},{mediated},{inhibition},{of},{DS}> <{results},{CH},{inhibition},{of},{DS}> <{CH},{induced},{inhibition},{of},{DS}> <{CH},{induces},{inhibition},{of},{DS}> <{CH},{induces},{autophagy},{DS}> <{CH},{induces},{autophagy},{DS}> <{CH},{cell},{death},{DS}> <{CH},{mediated},{DS}> <{CH},{mediated},{DS}> <{CH},{modulate},{DS}> <{CH},{modulate},{DS}>	Rule 4 Code: R4 verb + term related to cancer inhibitory activity, detected by the regular expression: (cause causes caused result resulted results mediates mediated induces induces induced enhance enhanced modulate modulated modulates mediates mediated promote promoted)[\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\
<{CH},{inhibition},{of},{proliferation}> <{CH},{inhibition},{of},{DS},{growth}> <{CH},{inhibition},{of},{growth},{DS}> <{CH},{growth},{inhibition},{DS}> <{CH},{inhibition},{of},{migration}> <{CH},{inhibited},{invasion},{DS}> <{CH},{inhibited},{invasion},{of}> <{CH},{inhibited},{amigration},{DS}> <{CH},{inhibited},{amigration},{DS}> <{CH},{inhibited},{amigration},{DS}> <{CH},{inhibited},{angiogenesis}>	Code: R5 term + preposition + term related to cancer inhibitory activity, detected by the regular expression: (inhibition suppression reduction inhibited mediated reduced suppressed blocked)[\\w]*(.*)(of in on)[\\w]*(.*)(invasion growth migration angiogenesis metastasis viability proliferation cancer carcinogenese cells cell

<{CH},{inhibited},{tumor}> line|tumor|tumour|neoplasm)[\\w]* (invasion|growth|migration|angiogenesis|metastasis|viab ility|proliferation|cancer|carcinogenese|cells|cell line|tumor|tumour|neoplasm)[\\w]*(.*)(inhibition|suppressi on|reduction|inhibited|mediated|reduced|suppressed|blo cked)[\\w]* <{CH},{has},{anti}> Rule 6 <{CH},{anti},{DS},{activity}> <{CH},{anti},{DS},{effects}> Code: R6 <{CH},{anti},{DS},{properties}> term + term related to anticancer activity, detected by the regular expression: <{CH},{anticancer},{properties},{DS}> (anti)/\\w]*(.*)(cancer|tumor|tumour|neoplastic|carcinoge <{CH},{anticarcinogenic},{DS}> <{CH},{antiinvasive},{DS}> niclangiogeniclangiogenesis l tumorigenic l metastatic l met <{CH},{antiproliferative},{DS}> astasis|proliferative|oxidant|invasive|migration)[\\w]*(.*)(e <{CH},{antimetastatic}> ffect|activity|activities|agent|propertie|properties|potential <{CH},{protective},{effect}>)/\\w]* <{CH},{chemopreventive},{activity}> <{CH},{chemopreventive},{agent},{DS} (effect|activity|activities|agent|propertie|properties|potenti <{CH},{therapeutic},{agent},{DS}> al)[\\w]*(.*)(anti)[\\w]*(.*)(cancer|tumor|tumour|neoplastic| <{CH},{anticancer},{agent},{DS}> carcinogenic|angiogenic|angiogenesis|tumorigenic|meta <{CH},{promising},{agent},{DS}> static|metastasis|proliferative|oxidant|invasive|migration) <{inhibitory},{effect},{of},{CH}> [\\w]* <{inhibitory},{effects},{CH}> (anticancer/anti-cancer/anti-tumor/antitumor/anti-<{antitumor},{effect},{of},{CH}> <{anti},{effect},{of},{CH}> fumour|antitumour|anticarcinogenic|anti-<{anticancer},{effect},{of},{CH}> carcinogenic|antineoplastic|anti-<{antitumor},{effect},{of},{CH}> neoplastic|antiangiogenic|anti-<{antiproliferative},{effect},{of},{CH}> angiogenic|antiangiogenesis|anti-<{CH},{potential},{agent},{treatment}> angiogenesis|antimetastatic|anti-<{CH},{agent},{treatment},{DS}> metastatic|antimetastasis|anti-<{CH},{agent},{therapy}> metastasis|antiinvasive|anti-<{chemopreventive},{agent},{CH}> invasive|antiproliferative|anti-<{CH},{potential},{treatment}> proliferativelantioxidantlanti-oxidantlantitumorlantitumor|proapoptotic|pro-apoptotic|pro apoptoticlantitumorigenic|antitumorigenic|inhibitory|cytotoxicity|cytotox ic/chemopreventive/promising/protective/therapeutic/che motherapeutic|chemotherapy|preventive|treatment|thera py|therapies|radiotherapy|immunotherapy|prognosis|pro gnostic)[\\w]*(.*)(effect|activity|activities|agent|propertie|p roperties|potential)[\\w]* (effect|activity|activities|agent|propertie|properties|potenti al)[\\w]*(.*) (anticancer | anti-cancer | antitumor|antitumor|antifumour|antitumour|anticarcinogenic|anticarcinogenic|antineoplastic|antineoplastic|antiangiogenic|antiangiogenic|antiangiogenesis|antiangiogenesis|antimetastatic|antimetastatic|antimetastasis|antimetastasis|antiinvasive|antiinvasive|antiproliferative|antiproliferative|antioxidant|anti-oxidant|antitumor|antitumor|proapoptotic|pro-apoptotic|pro apoptoticlantitumorigenic|antitumorigenic|inhibitory|cytotoxicity|cytotox ic/chemopreventive/promising/protective/therapeutic/che motherapeutic|chemotherapy|preventive|treatment|thera py|therapies|radiotherapy|immunotherapy|prognosis|pro

gnostic)[\\w]*

<{CH},{shown},{activity},{DS}> <{CH},{shown},{effects},{DS}> <{CH},{exhibited},{activity}> <{CH},{exhibited},{effects},{DS}> <{CH},{exhibited},{potent},{DS}>	Rule 7 Code: R7 verb + term related to anticancer activity, detected by the regular expression: (exhibit exhibited exhibits shown demonstrated present h as have enhanced enhances reported possesses)[\\w]*(.*)(effect activity activities potent propertie properties potential cytotoxicity cytotoxic inhibitory)[\\w]*
<pre><{promoted},{by}> <{apoptosis},{induced},{by},{CH}> <{death},{induced},{by},{CH}></pre>	Rule 8 Code: R8 term + verb + preposition related to anticancer activity, detected by the regular expression: (inhibition reduction death arrest apoptosis autophagy su ppression)[\\w]*(.*)(caused resulted mediated induced en hanced promoted)[\\w]*(.*)(by)[\\w]*
<{inhibited},{by},{CH}> <{inhibition},{by},{CH},{DS}> <{DS},{inhibition},{by},{CH}> <{DS},{suppressed},{by},{CH}> <{DS},{reduced},{by},{CH}> <{growth},{inhibited},{by},{CH}>	Rule 9 Code: R9 term + verb + preposition related to anticancer activity. detected by the regular expression: (activity viability invasion growth migration angiogenesis metastasis viability proliferation cancer carcinogenese c ells cell line tumor tumour neoplasm)[\\w]*(.*)(inhibited mediated reduced suppressed blocked)[\\w]*(.*)(by)[\\w]*
<{inhibition},{of},{DS},{by},{CH}> <{proliferation},{of},{DS},{by},{CH}> <{CH},{arrest},{of},{by}> <{CH},{apoptosis},{of},{by}> <{suppression},{of},{by},{CH}>	Rule 10 Code: R10 term + preposition + preposition related to anticancer activity, detected by the regular expression: (inhibition reduction death arrest apoptosis autophagy su ppression migration metastasis viability proliferation)[\\w] *(.*)(of)[\\w]*(.*)(by)[\\w]*

Rules for Associations of Genes and Polyphenols

Sequences (patterns)	Rules and regular expressions
<{CH},{increased},{GN}> <{CH},{upregulate},{GN}> <{CH},{regulate},{GN}> <{CH},{reduced},{GN}> <{CH},{feduced},{GN}>	Rule 11 Code: R11 verb related to the regulatory activity of genes, detected by the regular expression: (disruption regulation abolished repressed stimulated regulate regulated regulates downregulate downregulates downregulated upregulates downregulated upregulates downregulated upregulates downregulated upregulates downregulated upregulated upregulate upregulated upregulates downregulates downregulates downregulates downregulates downregulates downregulates increases increased upregulates increased upregulates reduce reduced reduces block blocks blocked increase increases increased decreases decreased decrease induce induced induces inhibit inhibited inhibits suppress suppressed suppresses enhanced attenuated active activation f\\w *
<{CH},{increased},{expression},{GN}> <{CH},{increased},{levels},{GN}> <{CH},{decreased},{levels},{GN}> <{CH},{decreased},{expression},{GN}>	Rule 12 Code: R12 verb + terms related to the regulatory activity of genes, detected by the regular expression:

<{CH},{downregulated},{expression}> <{CH},{decrease},{expression},{GN}> <{CH},{downregulate},{expression},{GN} <{CH},{reduced},{expression},{GN}> <{CH},{blocked},{activation},{GN}> <{CH},{induced},{activation},{GN}> <{CH},{inhibited},{activation},{of}> <{CH},{GN},{mediated},{activation}> <{CH},{enhanced},{expression}> <{CH},{resulted},{expression}> <{CH},{upregulated},{expression},{GN}> <{CH},{attenuated},{expression}> <{CH},{DS},{signaling}> <{signaling},{pathway}> <{signaling}.{in}.{DS}> <{induces},{signaling}> <{CH},{abolished},{GN}> <{CH},{repressed},{GN}> <{CH},{stimulated},{GN}> <{GN},{activity},{inhibited},{by},{CH}> <{GN},{expression},{by},{CH}> <{activation},{by},{CH}> <{induction},{by},{CH}> <{CH},{inhibition},{of},{GN},{signaling}> -<{CH},{inhibition},{of},{GN},{signaling}> <{CH},{inhibit},{signaling}> <{CH},{inhibition},{of},{GN},{pathway}> -<{CH},{inhibit},{pathway}>

<{CH},{disruption},{of},{GN}>

(induction|inhibition|regulation|abolished|repressed|stimu lated|regulate|regulated|regulates|downregulate|downre gulates|downregulated|upregulate|upregulated|upregulates|down-regulated|upregulates|down-regulated|upregulate|upregulate|upregulate|down regulate|upregulates|down regulates|down regulates|down regulates|upregulates|pregulated|upregulates|pregulates|reduce|reduced|reduces|block|blocks|blocked|increase|increases|increased|decreases|decreased|decrease|induce|induced|induces|inhibit|inhibited|inhibits|suppress|suppressed|suppresses|enhanced|attenuated|active|activation|disruption)[\\w]*(.*)(expression|levels|activation|via|pathway|protein|signaling|kinase|gene|mrna|mirna|mirna|microrna|activity)[\\w]*

(expression|levels|activation|via|pathway|protein|signalin g|kinase|gene|mrna|mirna|microrna|activity)[\\w]*(.*)(indu ction|inhibition|regulation|abolished|repressed|stimulated |regulate|regulated|regulates|downregulate|downregulat es|downregulated|upregulates|down-regulated|upregulates|down-regulate|down-regulate|down-regulate|down-regulate|up-regulated|up-regulates| down regulate|down regulates|down regulates|down regulates|down regulates|down regulates|down regulates|in regulated|up regulate|up regulated|up regulates|reduce|reduced|reduces|block|blocks|blocked|increase|increases|increased|decreases|decreased|decrease|induce|induced|induces|inhibit|inhibited|inhibits|sup press|suppressed|suppresses|enhanced|attenuated|acti vation|disruption)[\\w]*

Rules for Specific Markers

Sequences (patterns)	Rules and regular expressions
<{CH},{epigenetic},{DS}> <{CH},{histone},{deacetylase}> <{CH},{histone},{acetylation}> <{acetylated}> <{CH},{phosphorylated},{GN}> <{CH},{phosphorylation},{GN}> <{CH},{methylation},{GN}> <{CH},{demethylation}> <{hypermethylation}> <{methylated}> <{microRNA}> <{CH},{miRNA}>	Rule 13 (Epigenetic Marker) Code: R3 term related to epigenetic regulatory activity, detected by the regular expression: (epigenetic histone methylation methylated mirna microrna mi - rna phosphorylated phosphorylation acetylated acetylation acetylase)[\\w]*
<{CH},{novel},{strategy},{DS}> <{CH},{novel},{agent},{DS}> <{novel},{synthetic},{CH},{DS}> <{CH},{novel},{drug}>	Rule 14 (Novel Anticancer Drug Marker) Code: R14 (novel new protective potent effective promising)[\\w]*(.*)(com pound agent drug compost synthetic strategy)[\\w]*(.*)(chemo preventive cells cell line tumor cell anticancer anticanc

	apoptotic anti-tumorigenic inhibitory cytotoxicity cytotoxic chemopreventive promising protective therapeutic chemotherapeutic chemotherapy preventive treatment therapy therapies radiotherapy immunotherapy prognosis prognostic modulators)[\\W]*
<{CH},{DS},{cells}>	Rule 15
<{CH},{cell},{lines}>	(Marker Cell Line)
<{CH},{tumor},{cells}>	Code: R15
<{CH},{tumor},{cell}>	(cell line cells tumor
	cell neoplasm leukemia leukaemia carcinogenesis tumorigen
	esis metastasis sarcoma carcinoma blastoma)[\\w]*
<{findings},{suggest},{CH}>	Rule 16
<{findings},{indicate},{CH},{of},{DS}	(Marker Result/Conclusion)
>	Code: R16
<{studies},{revealed},{CH}>	(conclusion)[\\w]*(results our
<{CONCLUSION},{CH}>	result findings conclusion data taken together study studies)[\\
	w]*(.*)(suggest indicate suggested indicated illustrated illustra te revealed reported resulted show)[\\w]*

Rules for Cancer Markers

Sequences (patterns)	Rules and regular expressions
<{CH},{proliferation},{DS}> <{cell},{proliferation},{DS}> <{growth},{factor}> <{CH},{DS},{cell},{growth}> <{CH},{growth},{DS}> <{CH},{growth},{of},{cells}> <{Growth},{cells}> <{growth},{inhibition},{DS}> <{antiproliferative},{against},{DS}> <	1. Self-sufficiency in growth signals 2. Insensitivity to antiproliferative signals Code: HM12 (inhibition inhibits inhibited inhibit blocks blocked suppression suppress suppressed suppresses attenuate attenuated attenuates reduction reduce reduces reduced anti)[\\w]*(.*)(proliferation growth factor growthfactor growthfactor cellgrowth cell growth proliferative)[\\w]*
	(proliferation growth factor growthfactor growth- factor cellgrowth cell growth proliferative)[\\w]*(.*)(inhibition inhibited blocked sup pression suppressed attenuate attenuated attenuates redu ction reduced)[\\w]*
<{CH},{apoptosis},{in},{DS},{cells}> <{CH},{cell},{cycle},{arrest},{DS}> <{CH},{cycle},{arrest},{DS}> <{apoptotic},{death},{cells}> <{apoptotic},{in},{DS}> <{CH},{apoptotic},{cell},{death}> <{CH},{apoptotic},{cell},{death}> <{CH},{proapoptotic},{DS},{cells}> <{CH},{autophagy},{in},{DS}> <{CH},{autophagy},{in},{DS}> <{CH},{death},{of},{DS},{cells}> <{CH},{death},{of},{DS},{cells}> <{CH},{death},{of},{DS},{cells}>	3. Evasion of apoptosis Code: HM3 (cause causes caused pro resulted induces induces induce d enhance enhanced modulate modulated modulates medi ates mediated promote promoted)[\\w]*(.*)(apoptosis apopt otic autophagy autophagic necrose necrosis)[\\w]* (apoptosis apoptotic autophagy autophagic necrose necros is)[\\w]*(.*)(caused resulted induced induction enhanced m odulated mediated promotion promoted)[\\w]* (cause causes caused pro resulted induces induces induce d enhance enhanced modulate modulated modulates medi ates mediated promote promoted)[\\w]*(.*)(cycle cell)[\\w]*(.*)(arrest death)[\\w]*(.*)(caused resulted in duced induction enhanced modulated mediated promotion promoted)[\\w]*
<{CH},{senescence}> <{CH},{telomerase},{DS}> <{CH},{immortalized}>	4. Unlimited replication potential Code: HM4 (senescence telomerase immortalized)[\\w]*
<{CH},{angiogenesis},{DS}> <{CH},{inhibits},{angiogenesis}>	5. Induction of angiogenesis Code: HM5

<{antiangiogenic},{CH}>	(inhibition inhibits inhibited inhibit blocks blocked suppressi
	on suppress suppressed suppresses attenuate attenuated
	attenuates reduction reduce reduces reduced anti)[\\w]*(.*)(
	angiogenesis angiogenic)[\\w]*
	(angiogenesis angiogenic)[\\w]*(.*)(inhibition inhibited block
	ed suppression suppressed attenuate attenuated attenuate s reduction reduced)[\\w]*
<{CH},{metastatic},{DS}> <{CH},{metastasis},{DS}>	6. Activation of invasion and metastasis Code: HM6
<{CH},{invasion},{metastasis}>	(inhibition inhibits inhibited inhibit blocks blocked suppressi
<{antimetastatic},{DS}>	on suppress suppressed suppresses attenuate attenuated
<{CH},{migration},{invasion},{DS}>	attenuates reduction reduce reduces reduced anti)[\\w]*(.*)(
<{CH},{migration},{of},{DS}>	metastasis motility invasion migration metastatic migratory i
<{migration},{by},{DS}>	nvasive invasiveness)[\\w]*
	(metastasis motility invasion migration metastatic migratory
	invasive invasiveness)[\\w]*(.*)(inhibition inhibited blocked
	suppression suppressed attenuate attenuated attenuates r
(DNA) (domogra).	eduction/reduced)[\\w]*
<{DNA},{damage}> <{DNA},{damage},{DS},{cells}>	7. Mutation and genomic instability Code: HM7
<{DNA},{damage},{DO},{cells}>	(mutation damage fragmentation)[\\w]*
<{damage},{cells}>	(matation/damage/magmentation)[(W]
<{CH},{DNA},{fragmentation},{DS}>	(dna cell)[\\w]*(.*)(repair damage fragmentation)[\\w]*
<{CH},{has},{antiinflammatory}>	8. Tumor-induced inflammation
<{CH},{antiinflammatory},{DS}>	Code: HM8
<{CH},{antioxidant},{DS}>	(inhibition inhibits inhibited inhibit blocks blocked suppressi
<{antioxidant},{in},{DS}>	on suppress suppressed suppresses attenuate attenuated
<{antioxidant},{in},{cells}>	attenuates/reduction/reduce/reduces/reduced/anti)[\\w]*(.*)(
<{antioxidant},{cells}> <{antiinflammatory},{activities}>	inflammation inflammatory oxidative oxidation oxidant)[\\w]* (inflammation inflammatory oxidative oxidation oxidant)[\\w]
<{CH},{oxidative},{stress}>	*[\w]*(.*)(inhibition inhibited blocked suppression suppress
(Only, (Oxidative), (Ottobe)	ed attenuate attenuated attenuates reduction reduced)[\\w]*
<{CH},{metabolism},{DS}>	9. Cellular energy dysregulation
<{CH},{metabolic},{DS}>	Code: HM9
<{CH},{glycolysis}>	(metabolism metabolic glycolysis mitochondrial)[\\w]*
<{CH},{mitochondrial}>	
<{CH},{immune},{response}>	10. Immune evasion
<{CH},{DS},{immune}>	Code: HM10 (immune immunosuppression)[\\w]*

Supplementary Figure 1 illustrates as an example the recognition of rule R1 in the sentence "Curcumin inhibits invasion and migration of human pancreatic cancer via suppression of the ERK/NF-kB pathway", through a regular expression. The regular expression created for the detection of sentences associated with rule R2 searches for sentences that contain "verbs related to inhibitory activity + terms related to carcinogenesis". In this example, the sentence was detected using the verb "inhibits" and the terms "invasion" and "migration".

Sentences with annotated entities

Curcumin inhibits invasion and migration of human pancreatic cancer via suppression of the ERK/NF-kB pathway.

Regular expression of rule R2

(inhibit|inhibits|inhibited|suppress|suppresses|suppressed|reduce|reduced)[\\w]*(.*) (invasion|growth|migration|angiogenesis|metastasis|viability|proliferation| cancer|carcinogenese|cells|cell line|tumor|tumour|neoplasm)[\\w]*



Detected association

Curcumin inhibits invasion and migration of human pancreatic cancer via suppression of the ERK/NF-kB pathway.

Source: The author.

Supplementary Figure 1 – Rule R2 being recognized in a sentence containing a polyphenol-cancer association (curcumin-pancreatic_cancer)

Sequential pattern mining was important for identifying the order in which the terms, verbs, entities, and prepositions occur in the sentences (1,2) which, in turn, contributed to the creation of regular expressions (7-9). The absence of stemming during pre-processing of the sentences allowed to identify specific patterns with the appropriate variations of words (e.g., inhibit, inhibited, inhibits, inhibition). Frequent unique patterns with a support higher than 0.01, such as cells (0.396), expression. (0.144), apoptosis (0.125), activity (0.098), induced (0.094), effects (0.091), growth (0.082), treatment (0.074), inhibition (0.069), activation (0.066), inhibited (0.063), proliferation (0.060), pathway (0.049), potential (0.043), against (0.042), and levels (0.042) were important as keywords in the search for patterns of entity associations (polyphenol-cancer, polyphenol-gene) and for the creation of rules. The verbs related to the gene-microRNA molecular interaction in the study of (6) were also important as keywords in the search for patterns and for the elaboration of rules R1, R2, R4, R8, R9, R11 and R12.

The keywords related to cancer markers obtained from the studies of Bundela et al. (5) and Baker et al. (4) were important for the elaboration of rules HM12 to HM10. As reported by

Tari et al. (2) and Gupta et al. (6), the use of prepositions ("of", "by" and "on") was important for the elaboration of the rules used to extract sentences with active (R4 and R10) and passive (R8 and R9) associations between entities. Among the specific rules, R15 was created to minimize some perceived problems resulting from inconsistencies in the NER process (e.g., in PMID 24300195, PubTator did not identify the A549 cell line [lung cancer]). Thus, rule R15 identifies sentences containing some cell line or cancer-related term. Rule R16 was created to capture sentences related to the "results, discussion or conclusion" sections of abstracts since these sections are more likely to contain information (10,11).

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