Chemical Entity Recognition System for English Literature User Guide

一、Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This system aims to quickly and conveniently identify chemical entities from environment-related English literature, establish a chemical list, and count their frequency of occurrence.

1.2 Significance

Chemical information reported widely in effective and reliable scientific literature can provide a basis for the assessment and screening of chemicals. However, the exponential growth and complexity of scientific literature make manual evaluation extremely challenging and time-consuming. This system retrieves information on over 900,000 chemicals from the highly relevant CompTox platform (https://comptox.epa.gov/dashboard/) and extends the chemical name list through the PubChem database (https://pubchem.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/). By creating a multi-word dictionary of over 7.85 million chemical names, the system collects chemical names from English texts by matching word sequences formed after tokenization, establishing a chemical list, and counting their frequency to assist in the assessment and screening of chemicals in the environment.

1.3 Definitions

- System: The "Chemical Entity Recognition System for English Literature".
- User: Any individual who can use the system's functionalities.
- Literature: English literature published in English journals.
- Dictionary: The dictionary established by this system for matching chemical names in the text.

二、Overview

2.1 System Introduction

The system establishes three dictionaries containing a total of 7.85 million chemical names based on the number of words forming the chemical names (separated by spaces). It also supports additional dictionaries or the creation of new ones. By matching the word sequences formed after tokenizing English text with the dictionary, the system collects chemical names from the literature, establishes a chemical list, and counts the frequency of occurrence. The system realizes fast and convenient chemical entity recognition functions in English texts, which can be used for collecting chemical names from English literature.

2.2 System Environment

The system requires Windows 10 and Python 3.8 or above.

三、User Guide

3.1 System Introduction

The system mainly includes two parts: dictionary creation and named entity recognition. Dictionary creation includes two modules: creating a new dictionary and adding to an existing dictionary. Named entity recognition includes three modules: loading dictionaries, starting recognition, and outputting files.

download all files of this Users can the system from https://github.com/huangjiehui826/chemical ner v1. The main files include one Python file (chemical NER.py or chemical NER-English.py), nine text files (seven of which are stored in the initial folder, containing over 7.85 million chemical names for the next step of named entity recognition), a requirements.txt file for configuring the required Python libraries, and three pkl files stored in the initial folder, containing the basic information of over 7.85 million chemical names.

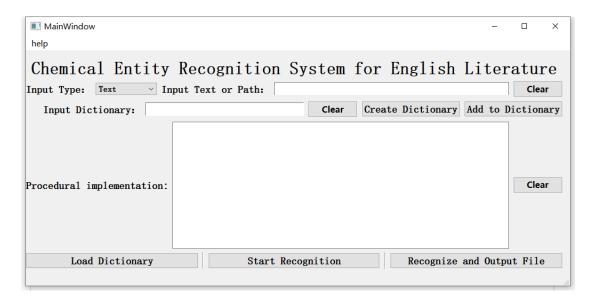


Figure 1 System Main Interface

3.2 Operating Steps

This section demonstrates the operating steps on Windows 10 using Anaconda3 (2021.05) and PyCharm (2021.2.2). Users need to install the corresponding software and set up the appropriate environment.

3.2.1 Load Environment and System

- On Windows 10, open the command prompt by pressing "Win + R" and entering "cmd".
- 2. In the command prompt, create a new virtual environment named ner_demo by entering conda create -n ner_demo python=3.8.
- 3. Activate the newly created virtual environment with activate ner_demo and install the required Python libraries with pip install -r C:\Users\Desktop\chemical_NER_V1\requirements.txt.
- 4. Open chemical_NER.py in PyCharm, set the interpreter to ner_demo, and run the system.

3.2.2 Create a New Dictionary

1. Set "Input Type" to "Dictionary"

- 2. Enter the file path of the dictionary file containing the chemical names corresponding to CAS, SID, and CID in the "Input Text or Path" field
- 3. Enter the name of the dictionary series you want to set in the "Input Dictionary" field, default is "initial".
- 4. Click the "Create Dictionary" button.

3.2.3 Add to an Existing Dictionary

- 1. Set "Input Type" to "Dictionary".
- 2. Enter the file path of the additional dictionary file containing the chemical names corresponding to CAS, SID, and CID in the "Input Text or Path" field.
- 3. Enter the name of the dictionary series you want to add to in the "Input Dictionary" field, default is "initial".
- 4. Click the "Add to Dictionary" button •

3.2.4 Load Dictionary

- 1. Set "Input Type" to "Dictionary"
- 2. Enter the name of the dictionary series you want to load in the "Input Dictionary" field, default is "initial".
- 3. Click the "Load Dictionary" button.

3.2.5 Start Recognition

- 1. Set "Input Type" to "Text", "File", or "Folder".
- 2. Enter the text or file path you want to recognize in the "Input Text or Path" field.
- 3. Enter the name of the dictionary series you want to use in the "Input Dictionary" field, default is "initial".
- 4. Optionally, click the "Load Dictionary" button if you want to use a different dictionary series.
- 5. Click the "Start Recognition" button.

3.2.6 Recognize and Output File

- 1. Set "Input Type" to "Text", "File", or "Folder".
- 2. Enter the text or file path you want to recognize in the "Input Text or Path" field.
- 3. Enter the name of the dictionary series you want to use in the "Input Dictionary" field, default is "initial".
- 4. Optionally, click the "Load Dictionary" button if you want to use a different dictionary series.
- 5. Click the "Recognize and Output File" button.

The system will automatically create an "output" folder in the system directory and generate a text file containing the recognized chemical names if text or file is entered, or generate three CSV files and three PKL files containing the chemical names and corresponding file names if a folder is entered.

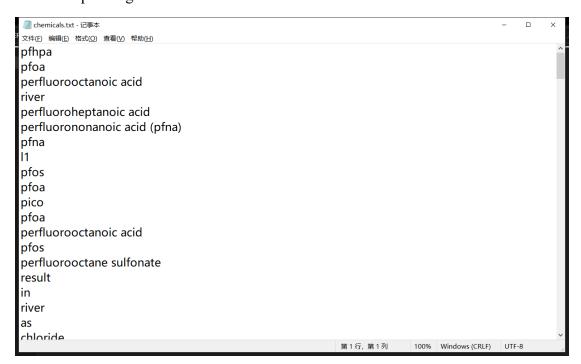


Figure 2 Reported Chemical Names (Input type "Text or File")

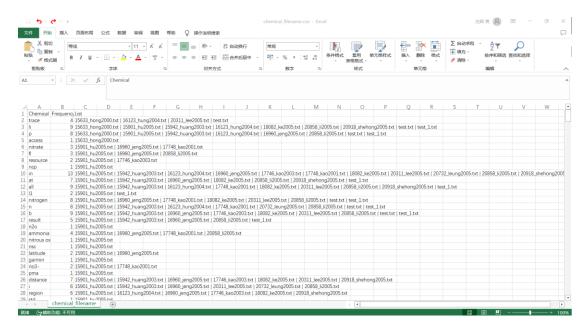


Figure 3 Names of chemicals reported and their corresponding file names

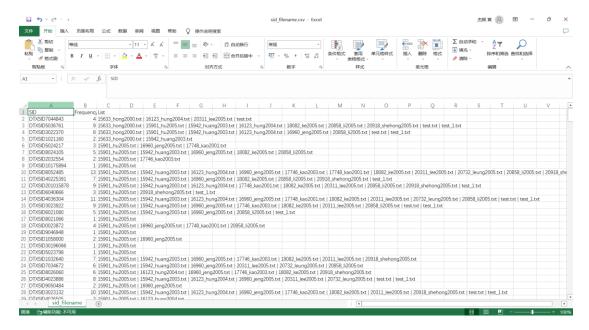


Figure 4 Reported sid and its corresponding frequency and file name

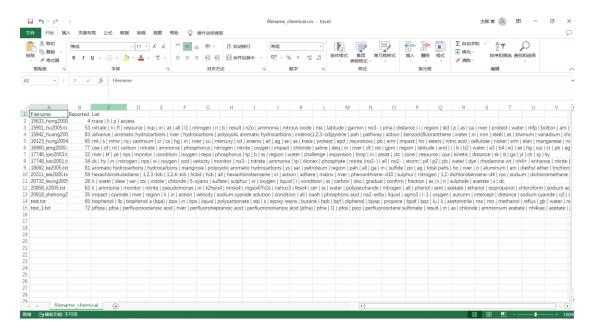


Figure 5 Names of chemicals reported in the document