

Histopathology Research Template

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1 Introduction

- State the marker of interest, the study objectives, and hypotheses (Knijn, Simmer, and Nagtegaal 2015).¹

¹From Table 1: Proposed items for reporting histopathology studies. Recommendations for reporting histopathology studies: a proposal Virchows Arch (2015) 466:611–615 DOI 10.1007/s00428-015-1762-3 <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4460276/>

2 *Materials & Methods*

Describe Materials and Methods as highlighted in (Knijn, Simmer, and Nagtegaal 2015).²

- Describe patient characteristics, and inclusion and exclusion criteria
 - Describe treatment details
 - Describe the type of material used
 - Specify how expression of the biomarker was assessed
 - Describe the number of independent (blinded) scorers and how they scored
 - State the method of case selection, study design, origin of the cases, and time frame
 - Describe the end of the follow-up period and median follow-up time
 - Define all clinical endpoints examined
 - Specify all applied statistical methods
 - Describe how interactions with other clinical/pathological factors were analyzed
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2.1 *Header Codes*

Codes for general settings.³

Setup global chunk settings⁴

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(  
  eval = TRUE,  
  echo = TRUE,  
  fig.path = here::here("figs/"),  
  message = FALSE,  
  warning = FALSE,  
  error = TRUE,  
  cache = TRUE,  
  comment = NA,  
  tidy = TRUE,  
  fig.width = 6,  
  fig.height = 4  
)  
  
library(knitr)  
hook_output = knitr_hooks$get("output")  
knitr_hooks$set(output = function(x, options) {  
  # this hook is used only when the linewidth option is not NULL  
  if (!is.null(n <- options$linewidth)) {  
    x = knitr::split_lines(x)  
    # any lines wider than n should be wrapped  
    if (any(nchar(x) > n))  
      x = strwrap(x, width = n)  
  }  
})
```

²From Table 1: Proposed items for reporting histopathology studies. Recommendations for reporting histopathology studies: a proposal Virchows Arch (2015) 466:611–615 DOI 10.1007/s00428-015-1762-3 <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4460276/>

³See `childRmd/_01header.Rmd` file for other general settings

⁴Change `echo = FALSE` to hide codes after knitting and Change `cache = TRUE` to knit quickly. Change `error=TRUE` to continue rendering while errors are present.

```

      x = paste(x, collapse = "\n")
    }
    hook_output(x, options)
  })

  pre: not([class]) {
    color: #333333;
    background-color: #cccccc;
  }

```

Load Library

see R/loadLibrary.R for the libraries loaded.

```
source(file = here::here("R", "loadLibrary.R"))
```

2.2 Generate Fake Data

Codes for generating fake data.⁵

Generate Fake Data

This code generates a fake histopathological data. Some sources for fake data generation here⁶ , here⁷ , here⁸ , here⁹ , here¹⁰ , here¹¹ , here¹² , here¹³ , and here¹⁴ .

Use this code to generate fake clinicopathologic data

```
source(file = here::here("R", "gc_fake_data.R"))
```

```
wakefield::table_heat(x = fakedata, palette = "Set1", flip = TRUE, print = TRUE)
```

⁵See childRmd/_02fakeData.Rmd file for other codes

⁶Synthea The validity of synthetic clinical data: a validation study of a leading synthetic data generator (Synthea) using clinical quality measures. BMC Med Inform Decis Mak 19, 44 (2019) doi:10.1186/s12911-019-0793-0

⁷<https://bmcmmedinformdecismak.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12911-019-0793-0>

⁸Synthetic Patient Generation

⁹Basic Setup and Running

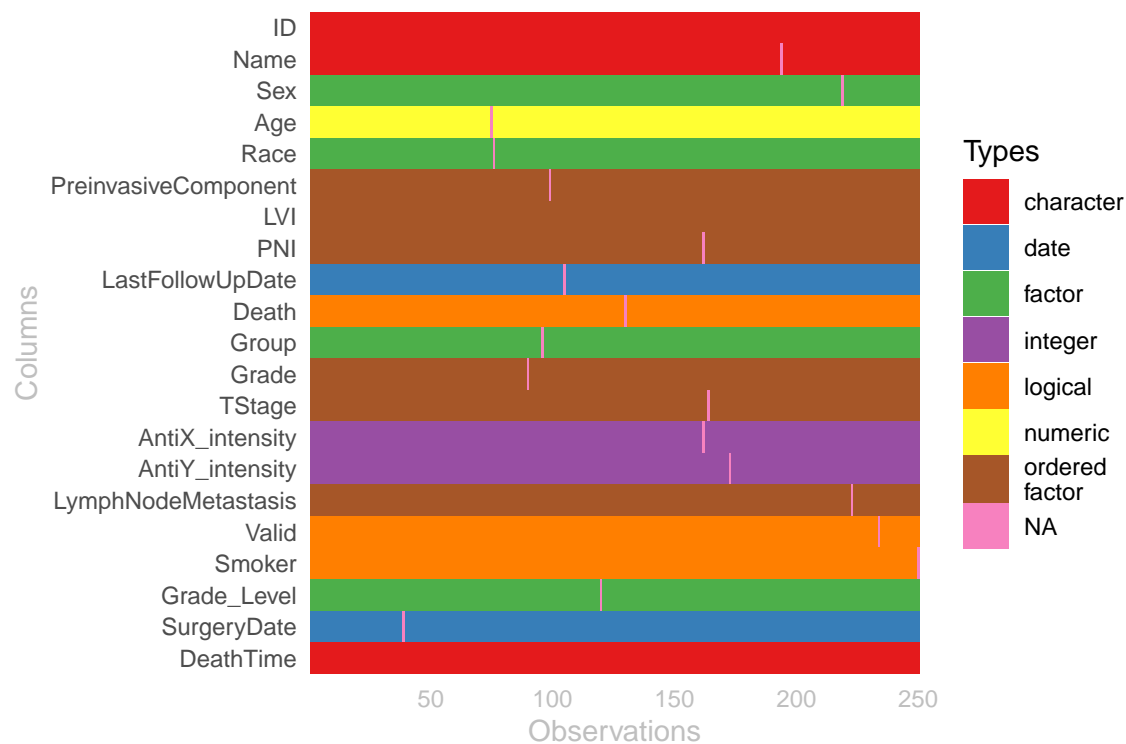
¹⁰intelligent patient data generator (iPDG)

¹¹<https://medium.com/free-code-camp/how-our-test-data-generator-makes-fake-data-look-real-ace01c5bde4a>

¹²<https://forums.librehealth.io/t/demo-data-generation/203>

¹³<https://mihin.org/services/patient-generator/>

¹⁴lung, cancer, breast dataseti ile birleştir



2.3 Import Data

Codes for importing data.¹⁵

Read the data

```
library(readxl)
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(here::here("data", "mydata.xlsx"))
# View(mydata) # Use to view data after importing
```

Add code for import multiple data purrr reduce

2.4 Study Population

2.5 Ethics and IRB

2.6 Define Variable Types

¹⁵See childRmd/_03importData.Rmd file for other codes

2.7 Overview the Data

3 Statistical Analysis

Learn these tests as highlighted in (Schmidt et al. 2017).¹⁶

4 Results

Write results as described in (Knijn, Simmer, and Nagtegaal 2015)¹⁷

- Describe the number of patients included in the analysis and reason for dropout
- Report patient/disease characteristics (including the biomarker of interest) with the number of missing values
- Describe the interaction of the biomarker of interest with established prognostic variables
- Include at least 90 % of initial cases included in univariate and multivariate analyses
- Report the estimated effect (relative risk/odds ratio, confidence interval, and p value) in univariate analysis
- Report the estimated effect (hazard rate/odds ratio, confidence interval, and p value) in multivariate analysis
- Report the estimated effects (hazard ratio/odds ratio, confidence interval, and p value) of other prognostic factors included in multivariate analysis

4.1 Descriptive Statistics

¹⁶Statistical Literacy Among Academic Pathologists: A Survey Study to Gauge Knowledge of Frequently Used Statistical Tests Among Trainees and Faculty. Archives of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine: February 2017, Vol. 141, No. 2, pp. 279-287. <https://doi.org/10.5858/arpa.2016-0200-OA>

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4.2 Survival Analysis

5 Discussion

- Interpret the results in context of the working hypothesis elaborated in the introduction and other relevant studies; include a discussion of limitations of the study.
- Discuss potential clinical applications and implications for future research

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