



ICH M11 Clinical electronic Structure Harmonized Protocol (CeSHarP) and CDISC: Making the Electronic Protocol a reality

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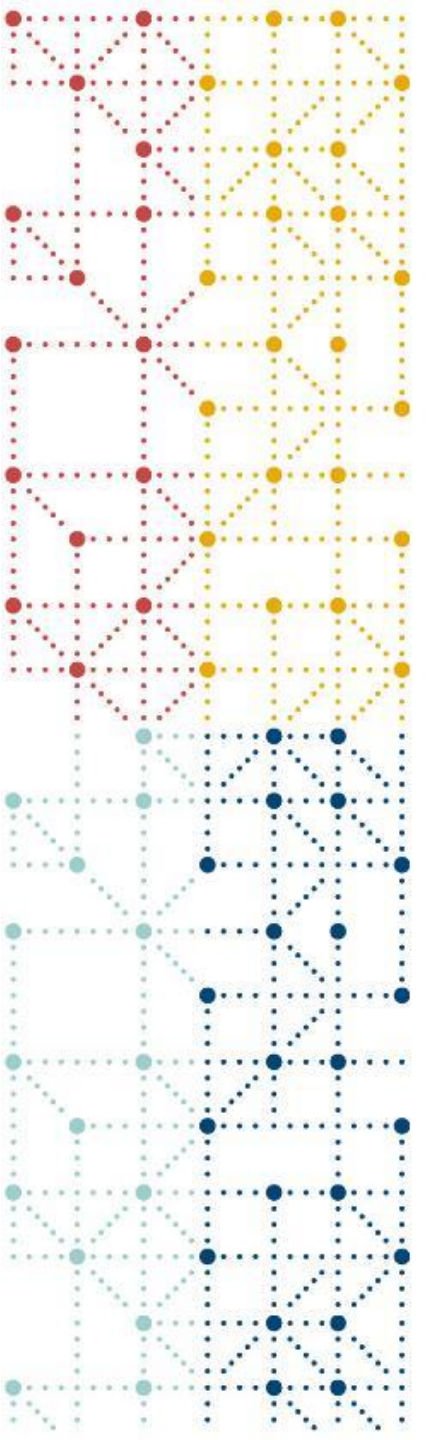
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Agenda

- ICH M11 Introduction
- CDISC and ICH M11 Engagement
 - Content model
 - Controlled terminology
 - Define Trial Design mappings
 - Conformance rules for M11 model
 - Partner with Vulcan FHIR: exchange standard for ICH M11
- Conclusion



ICH M11

Clinical Electronic Structured Harmonized Protocol

ICH M11 Expert Working Group

- **Regulatory Members**

- ANVISA, Brazil
- CDSCO, India
- EC, Europe
- FDA, United States
- Health Canada, Canada
- HSA, Singapore
- MHLW / PMDA, Japan
- National Center, Kazakhstan
- NMPA, China
- SFDA, Saudi Arabia
- TFDA, Chinese Taipei

- **Industry Members**

- BIO
- EFPIA
- IFPMA
- IGBA
- JPMA
- PhRMA



International Council for Harmonisation (ICH) Guidelines

Topics and Codes

Quality Guidelines

Harmonisation achievements in the Quality area include pivotal milestones such as the conduct of stability studies, defining relevant thresholds for impurities testing and a more flexible approach to pharmaceutical quality based on Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) risk management.

Efficacy Guidelines

The work carried out by ICH under the Efficacy heading is concerned with the design, conduct, safety and reporting of clinical trials. It also covers novel types of medicines derived from biotechnological processes and the use of pharmacogenetics/genomics techniques to produce better targeted medicines.

E3, E6, E9...

Safety Guidelines

ICH has produced a comprehensive set of safety Guidelines to uncover potential risks like carcinogenicity, genotoxicity and reprotoxicity. A recent breakthrough has been a non-clinical testing strategy for assessing the QT interval prolongation liability: the single most important cause of drug withdrawals in recent years.

Multidisciplinary Guidelines

Those are the cross-cutting topics which do not fit uniquely into one of the Quality, Safety and Efficacy categories. It includes the ICH medical terminology (MedDRA), the Common Technical Document (CTD) and the development of Electronic Standards for the Transfer of Regulatory Information (ESTRI).

M11, M2



Why Clinical electronic Structured Harmonized Protocol (CeSHarP)?

01

No internationally harmonized standard template for the format and content to support consistency across sponsors and exchange of protocol information.

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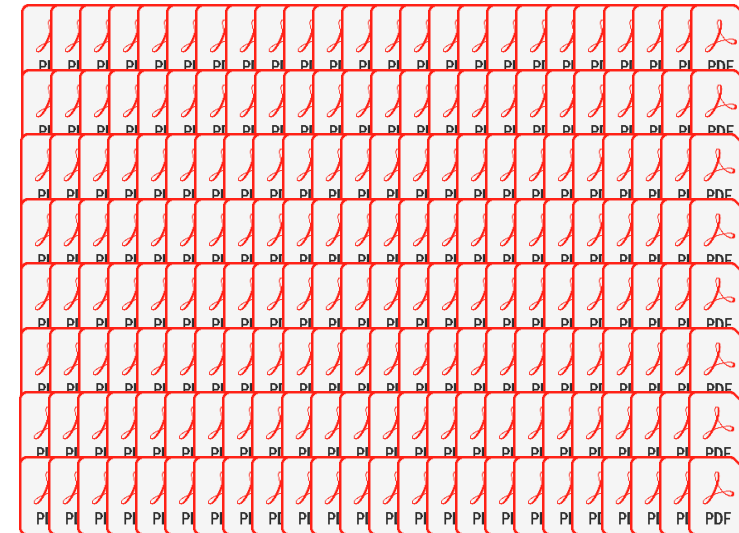
Lack of harmonization contributes to inefficiencies and difficulties in reviewing and assessing clinical protocols by regulators, sponsors, ethical oversight bodies, investigators, and other stakeholders

Why Clinical electronic Structured Harmonized Protocol (CeSHarP)?

- Paper Submissions...
Not like this anymore...



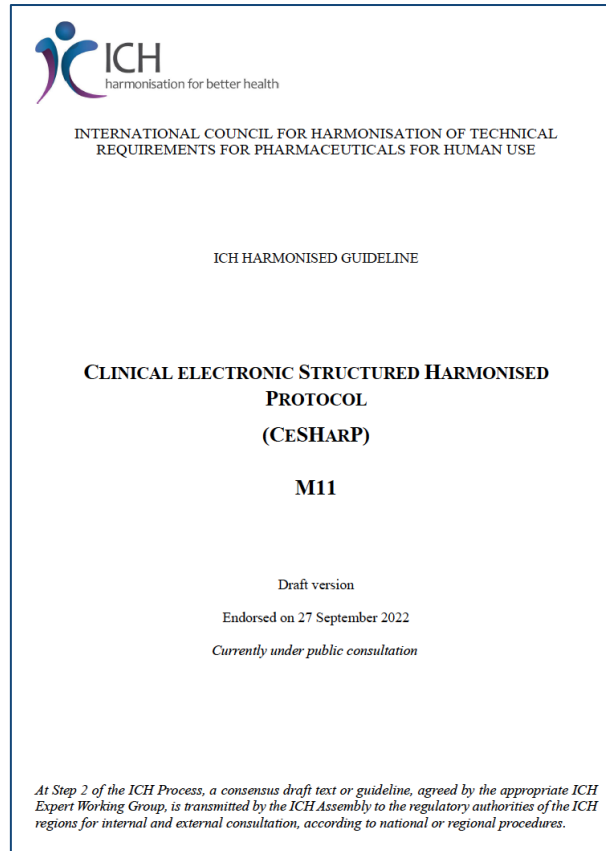
- ...but this isn't much better!



M11 Is ...

ICH CLINICAL ELECTRONIC STRUCTURED HARMONISED PROTOCOL (CeSHarP)

<https://www.ich.org/page/multidisciplinary-guidelines>



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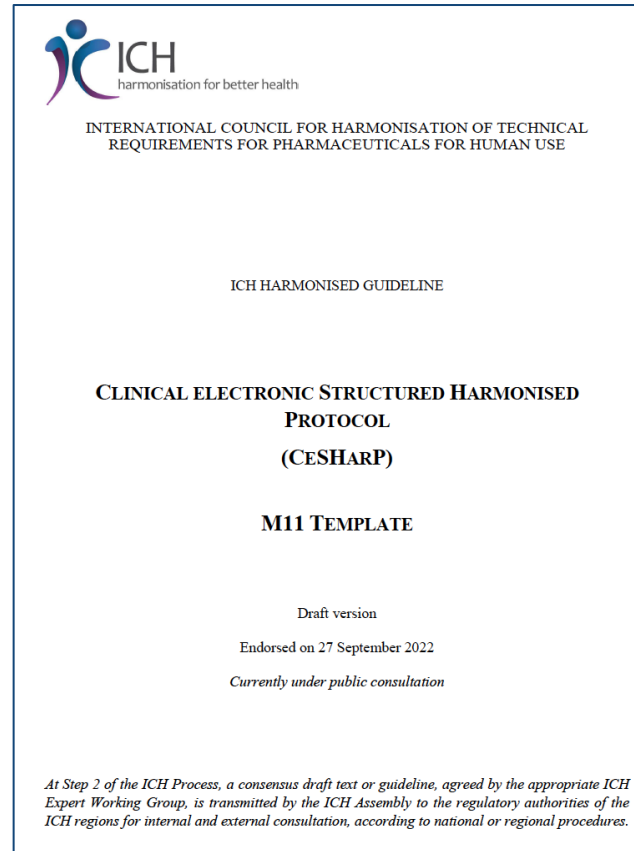
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Currently under public consultation

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Provides background, purpose, and scope as a guideline



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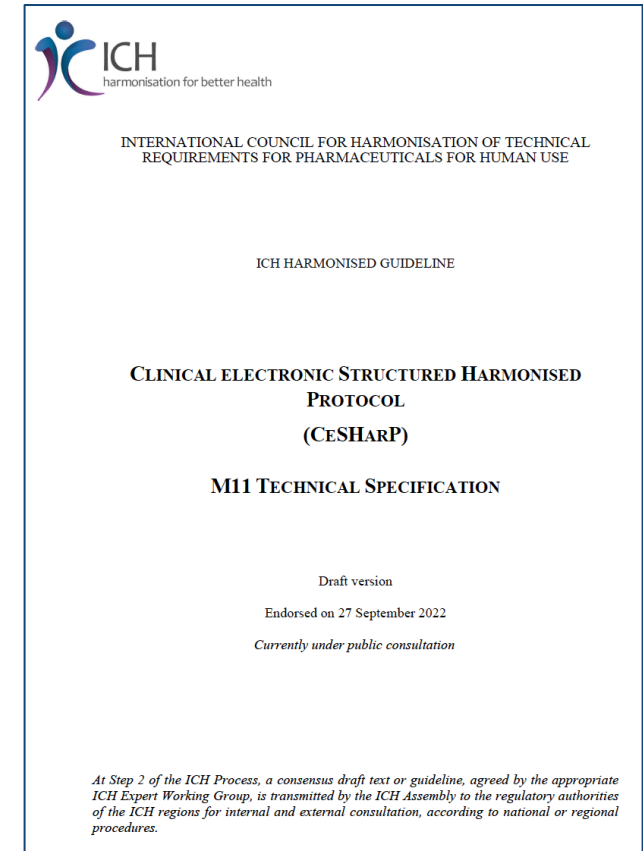
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Provides the written format for the Interventional Clinical Trial Protocol Template



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M11 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

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Provides the technical representation aligned with the guideline and protocol template



Template for Description of Trial Design

4.1 Description of Trial Design

Describe the trial intervention model (for example, single group, parallel group, cross-over, factorial, sequential), the expected number of participants, and the control method (for example, placebo, active comparator, low dose, historical, standard of care, sham procedure, or none [uncontrolled]).

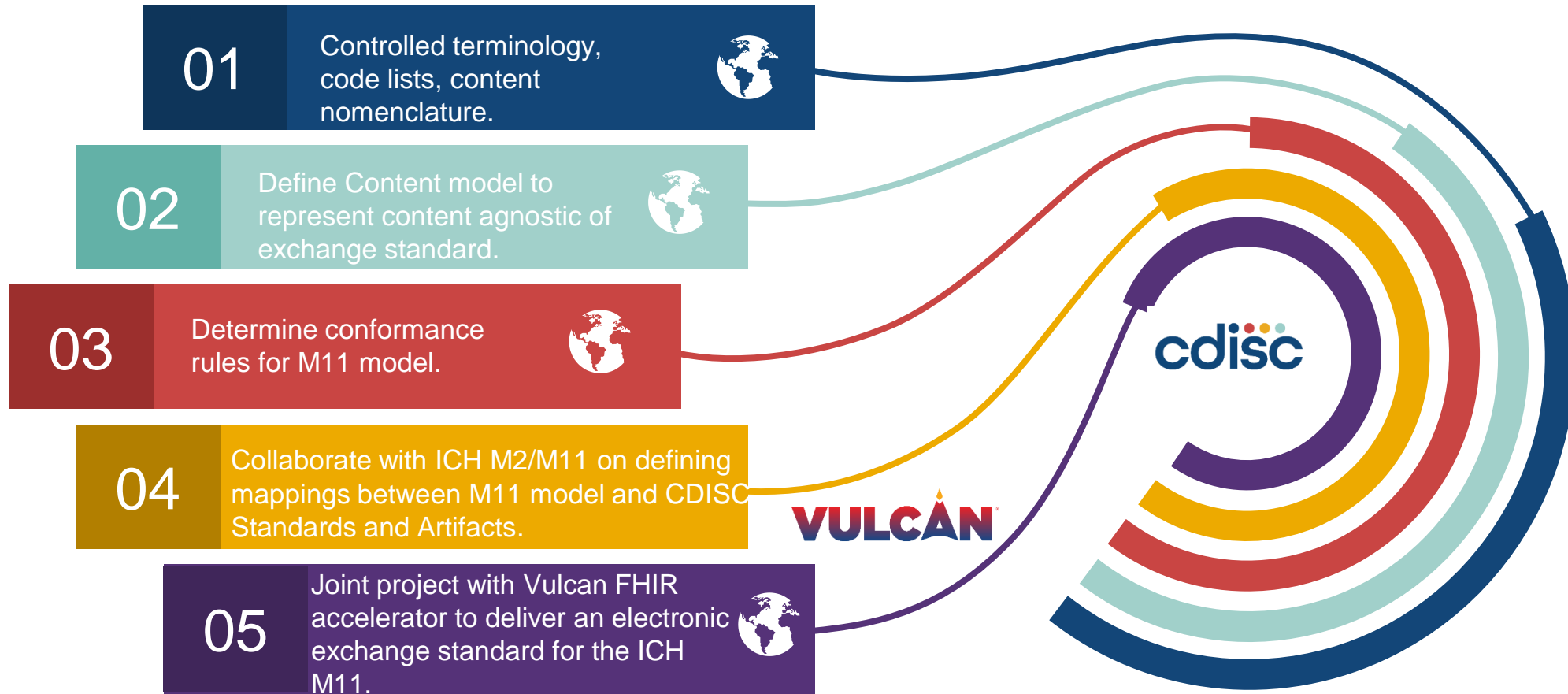
If applicable, indicate the type of trial (for example, superiority, non-inferiority, dose escalation, or equivalence).

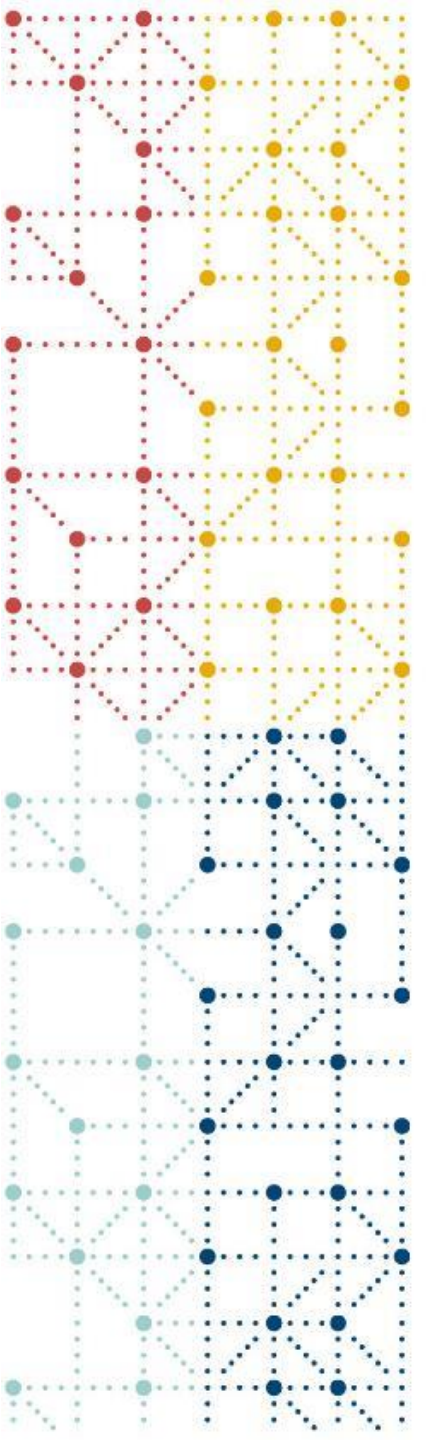
Technical Specification for Description of Trial Design

Term (Variable)	Type of Trial
Data Type	List
Topic, Value or Header	D
Definition	
User Guidance	
Conformance	Required
Cardinality	
Relationship content from ToC representing the protocol hierarchy	Trial Design
Relationship (reference to high level conceptual model)	
Value	Superiority, non-inferiority, dose escalation, or equivalence
Business rules	Value Allowed: Yes Relationship: n/a Concept: n/a
Duplicate field in other sections	

- Variables
- Concept/Terminology
- Code lists
- Conformance

CDISC M2/M11 Engagement





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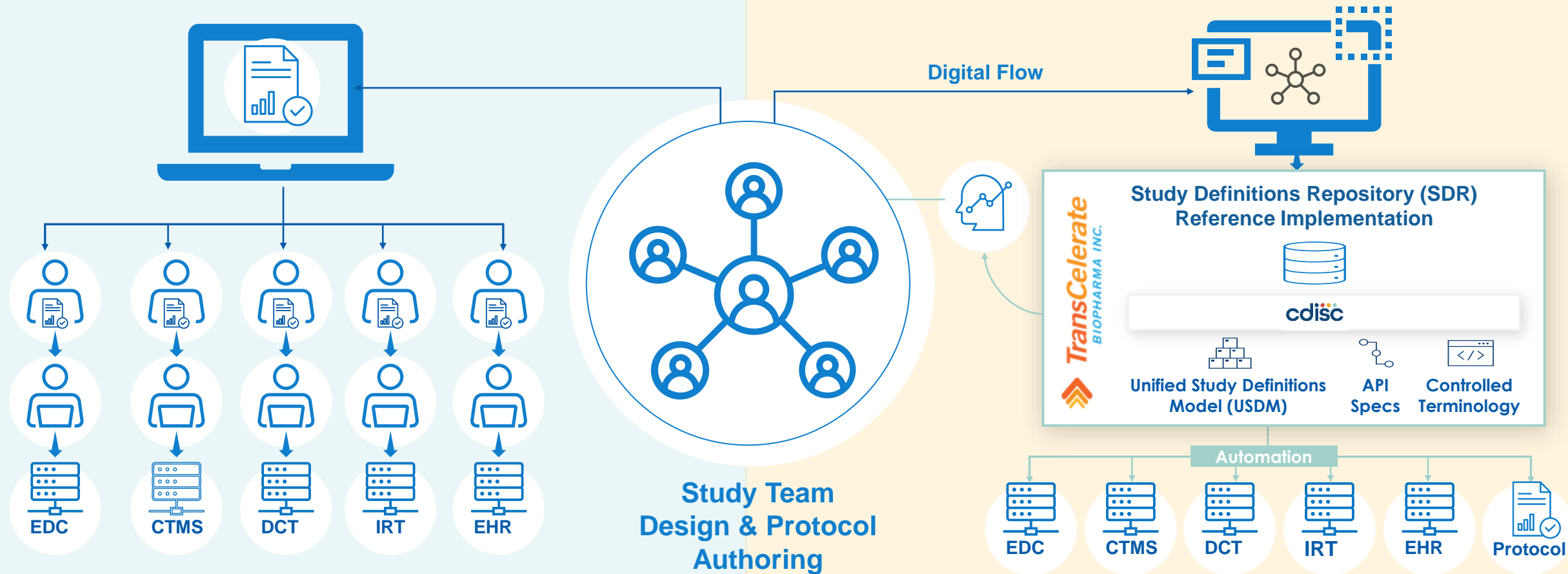
Define Content model to represent content agnostic of exchange standard

TransCelerate Digital Data Flow (DDF) Ambition

Write Once, Read Many

TODAY: Document-based paradigm for protocol creation, interpretation, and transcription into consuming systems

TOMORROW: Digital paradigm for protocol creation, with fully automated data flow and interoperability between systems



DDF 3 USDM Scope



Represent ICH M11 in USDM



SDTM Trial Design Population



Clinical Trial Registry Population



Complex Studies/Cohorts

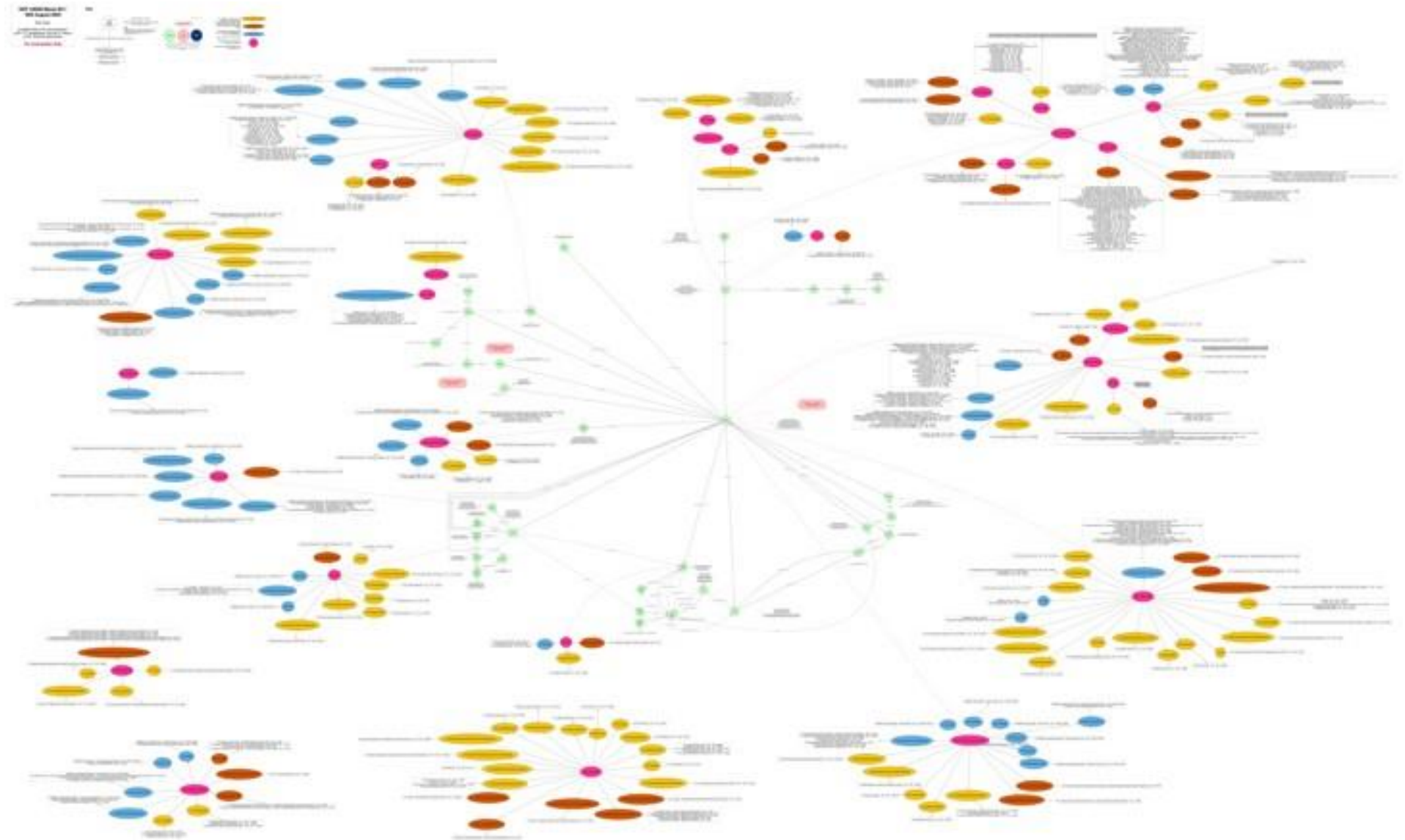


Model Enhancements



Conformance Rules

USDM Meets M11



M2/M11 Technical Development Process

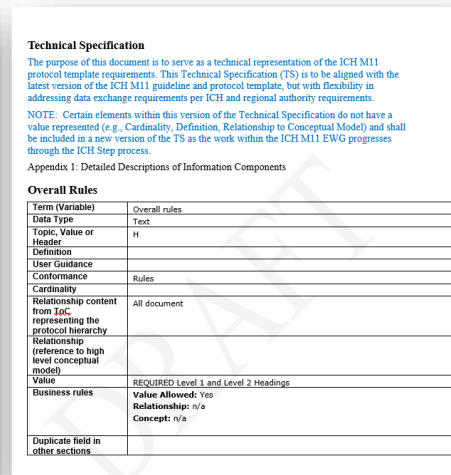
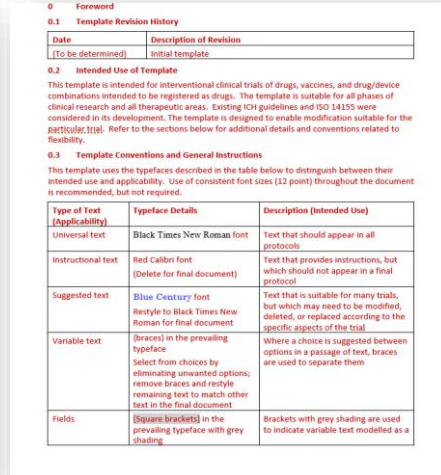
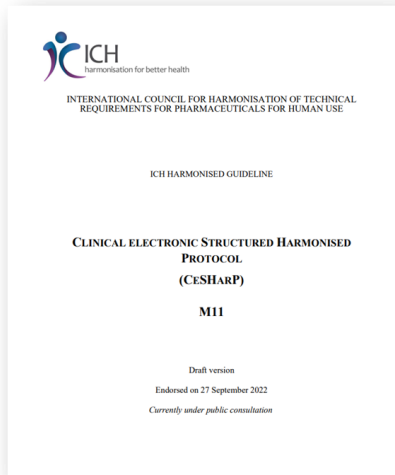
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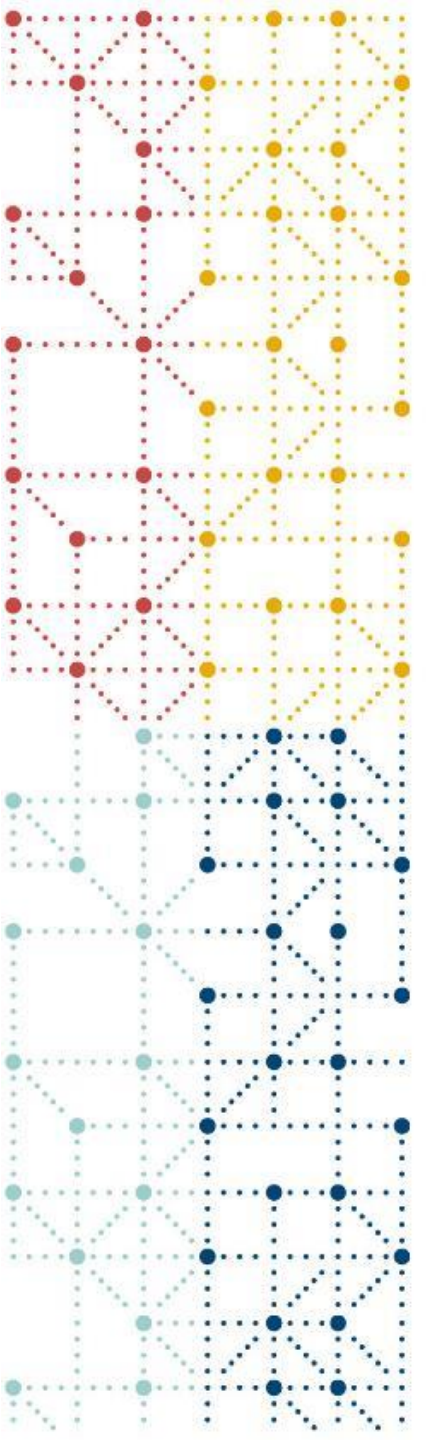


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Standard Message Exchange Formats





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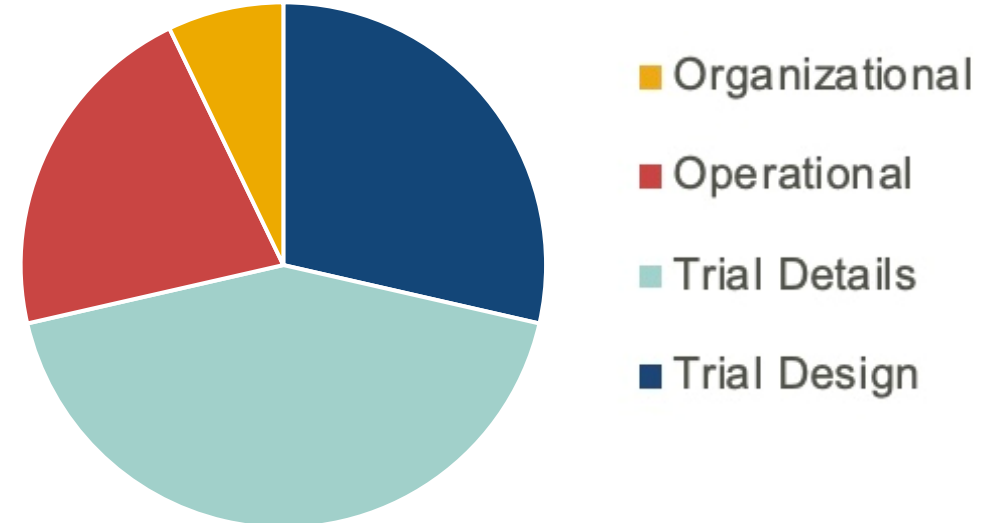
Controlled terminology, code lists, content nomenclature

M11 Document Controlled Terminology Categories

Analysis of CT in M11 Data Element Spreadsheet (n=223)

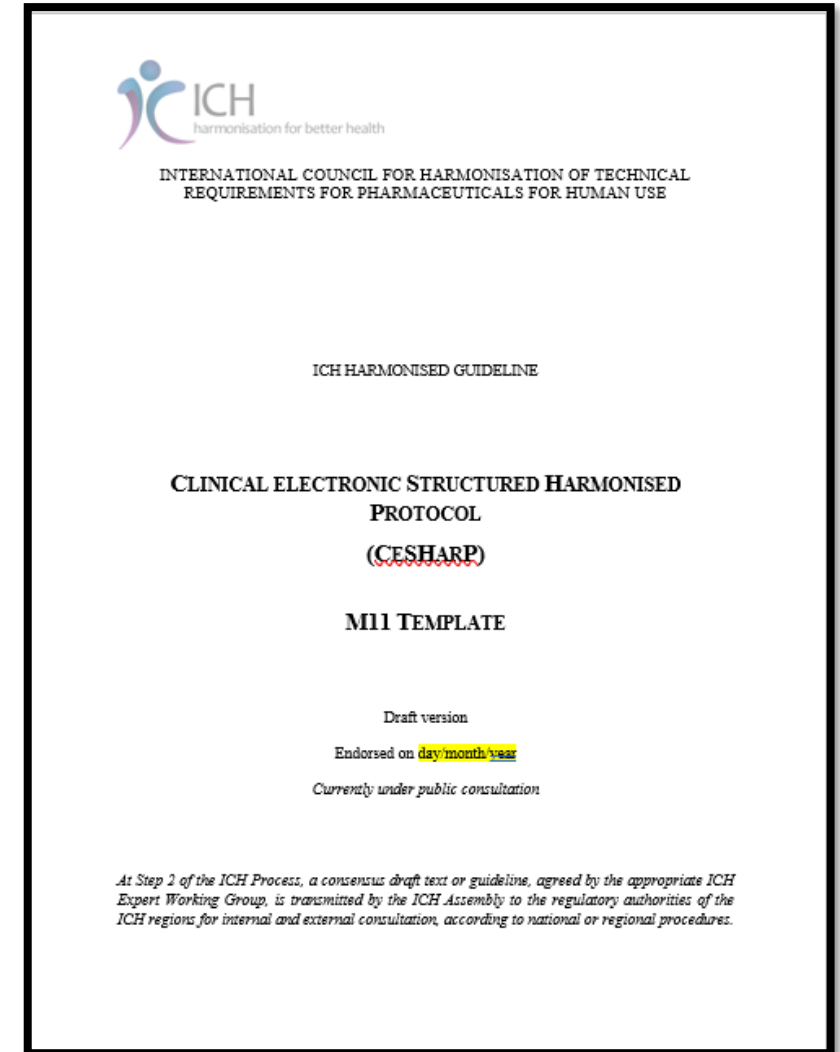
- Organizational provides information on sponsors and committees
- Operational provides details on tasks required (e.g., how to mix drug or handle the drug)
- Trial Details provides explanatory text that would be required for human comprehension
- Trial Design aligns with concepts found discretely in a protocol

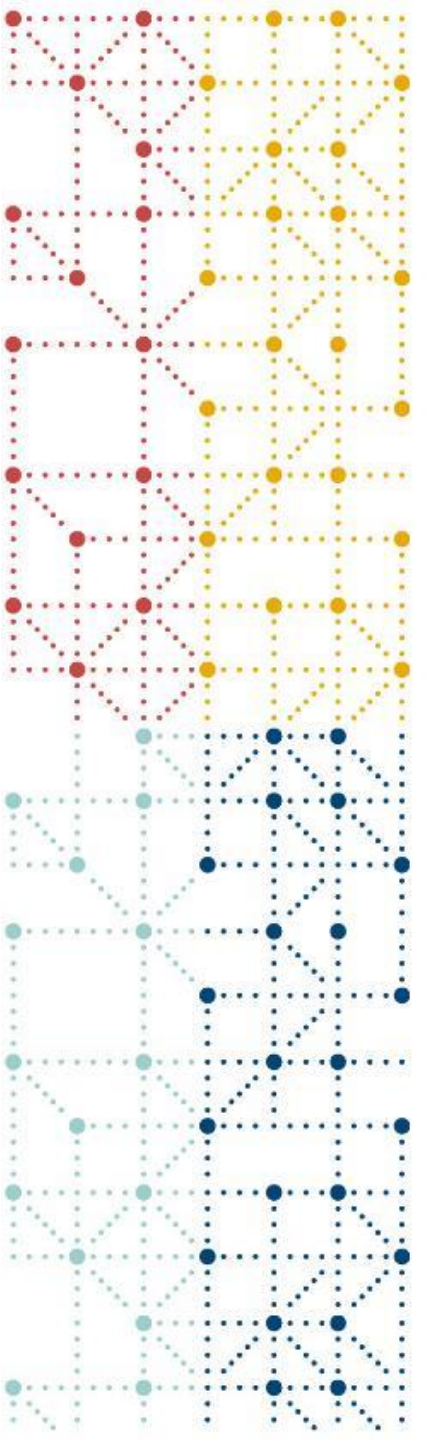
Percentage of Data Elements from M11 Concepts



ICH M11 Terminology

- CDISC is working with the ICH M11 working group to create draft semantics for the *ICH M11 Protocol Template*
 - 257 Data Elements
 - 22 Valid Value Sets comprising 112 terms
- Aligns with/harmonizes to CDISC terminology where appropriate
 - SDTM, DDF, Protocol, Glossary
- Stored with CDISC terminology in the NCI Thesaurus
- Will be undergoing CDISC public review and regulatory review in the next couple of months.



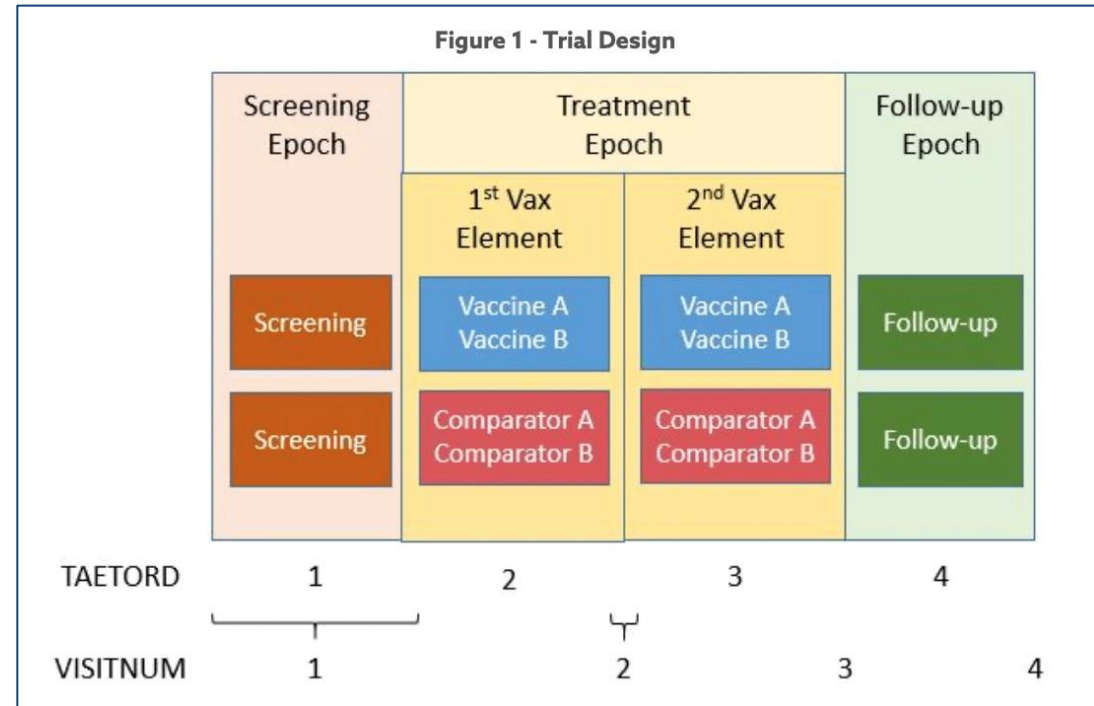


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Defining Trial Design mappings for M11 model

Generate SDTM Trial Design Datasets

- Demonstrate how an M11 protocol represented in USDM will be used to generate SDTM Trial Design datasets
- For Trial Arms, Trial Elements, Trial Visits, Trial Inclusion
 - Domain specifications supplemented with sources in USDM
- For Trial Summary
 - Assessed whether and how FDA-required parameters could be generated



Identify new Trial Summary Parameters from M11

- M11 terminology is evolving, so a definitive list is not yet possible
- Examples of possible new trial summary parameters
 - A set of parameters to describe top-level characteristics of each amendment
 - Parameters to represent compound names and numbers
 - Parameter(s) to represent various committees overseeing aspects of study conduct

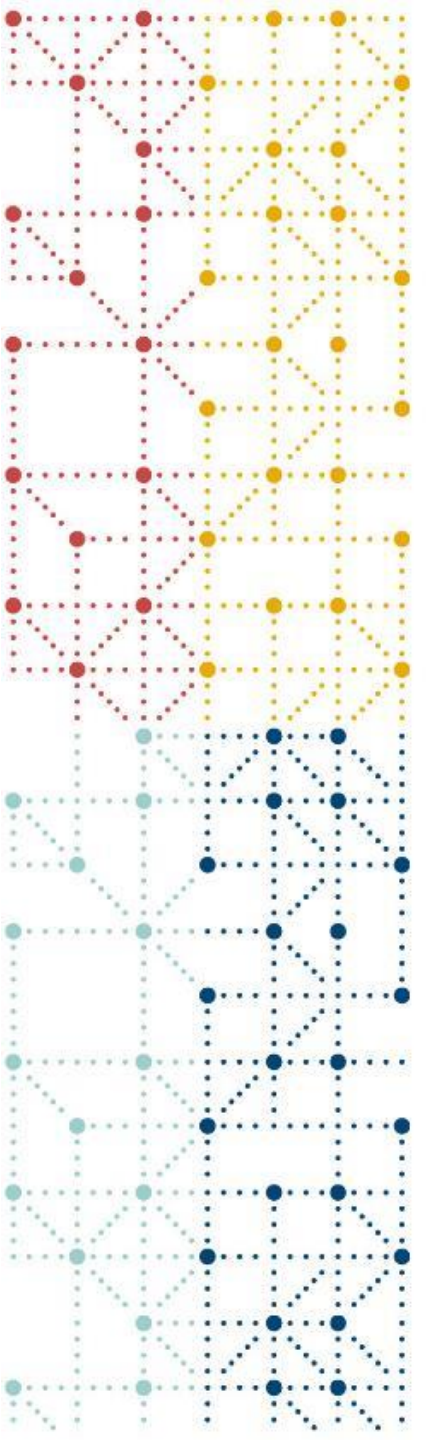
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Row	STUDYID	DOMAIN	TSSEQ	TSGRPID	TSPARMCD	TSPARM
1	XYZ	TS	1		ADDON	Added on to Existing Treatments
2	XYZ	TS	1		AGEMAX	Planned Maximum Age of Subjects
3	XYZ	TS	1		AGEMIN	Planned Minimum Age of Subjects
4	XYZ	TS	1		LENGTH	Trial Length
5	XYZ	TS	1		PLANSUB	Planned Number of Subjects
6	XYZ	TS	1		RANDOM	Trial is Randomized
7	XYZ	TS	1		SEXPOP	Sex of Participants
8	XYZ	TS	1		STOPRULE	Study Stop Rules
9	XYZ	TS	1		TBLIND	Trial Blinding Schema
10	XYZ	TS	1		TCNTRL	Control Type
11	XYZ	TS	1		TDIGRP	Diagnosis Group
12	XYZ	TS	1		INDIC	Trial Disease/Condition Indication
13	XYZ	TS	1		TINDTP	Trial Intent Type
14	XYZ	TS	1		TITLE	Trial Title
15	XYZ	TS	1		TPHASE	Trial Phase Classification
16	XYZ	TS	1		TTYPE	Trial Type
17	XYZ	TS	2		TTYPE	Trial Type



Possible Future Modifications to SDTM Trial Design

- **Trial Visits**
 - Add planned contact mode and include other than in-person visits
 - Add planned visit windows
- **New Trial Timepoints**
 - Fill gap in representing schedule of activities
 - Structure similar to Trial Visits
- **Trial Interventions**
 - Separate duration of treatment from duration of elements (assessment of trial effects)
 - Based on study interventions, allows denormalized representation of dosing data currently in normalized form in Trial Summary
 - Enhance Trial Elements by linking Trial Interventions to treatment elements
- **Trial Inclusion/Exclusion**
 - Link tests/biomedical concepts to criteria
- **New Trial Organizations**
 - Represent roles and contact information



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Determine conformance rules for M11 model

The Conformance Rule Challenge

A single source of truth for all conformance rules

Consistency across conformance rule implementations

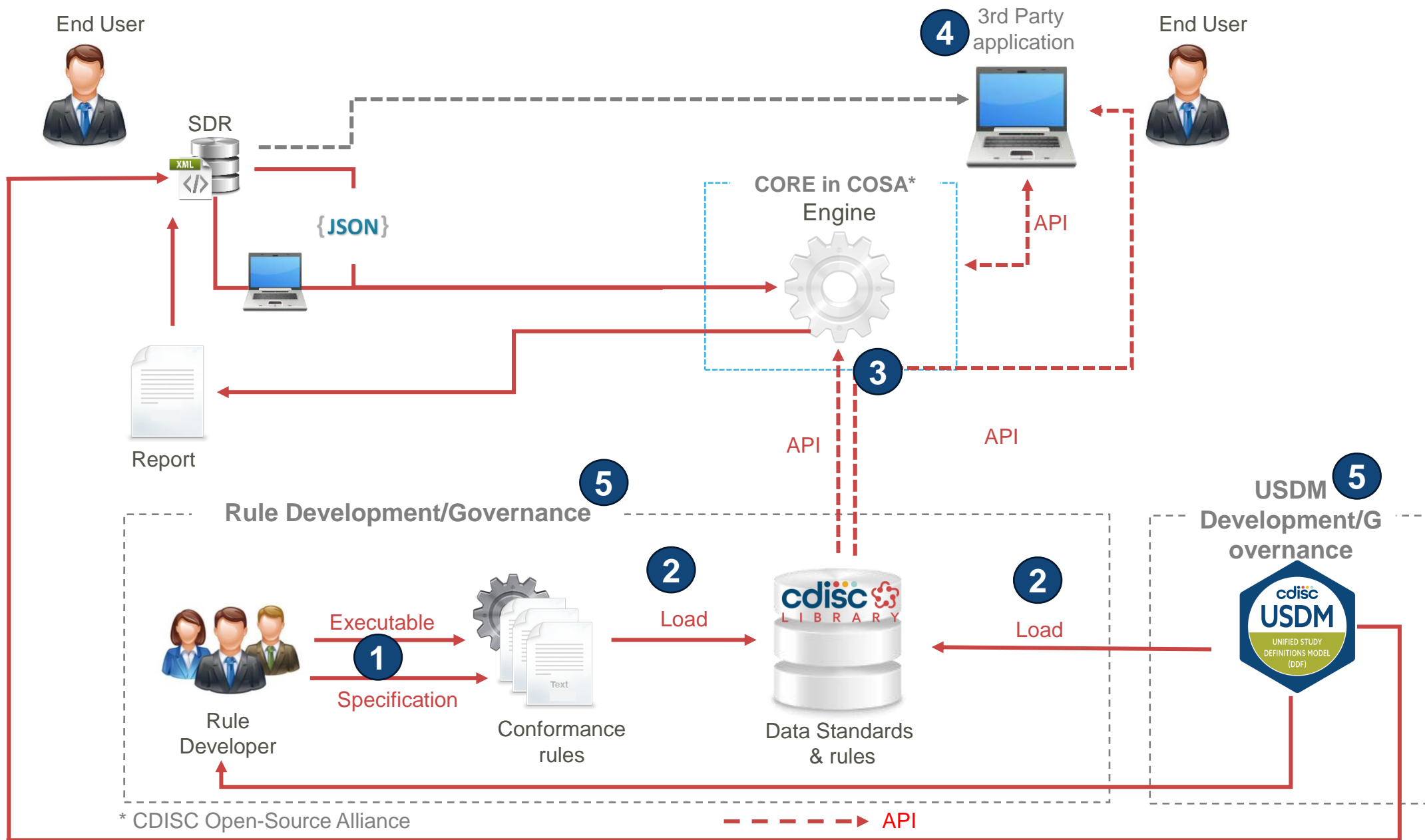
Central management and governance of rule specifications, regardless of source:

- CDISC – rules in the foundational standards
- FDA Validator Rules
- PMDA Validation Rules
- Community – proposed new/updated rules

Development, central management and governance of machine-executable rules from specifications

Efficient and transparent process for the community to

- Access specifications
- Access executable rules
- Propose new/updated rules





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Joint project with Vulcan FHIR accelerator to deliver an electronic exchange standard for the ICH M11



CDISC and HL7 FHIR Vulcan Collaboration

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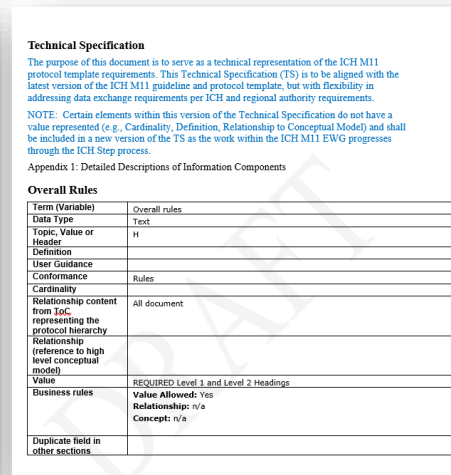
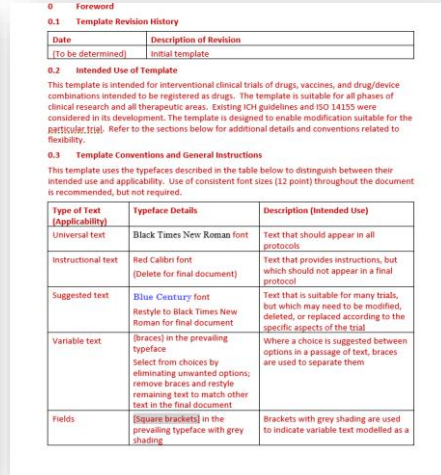
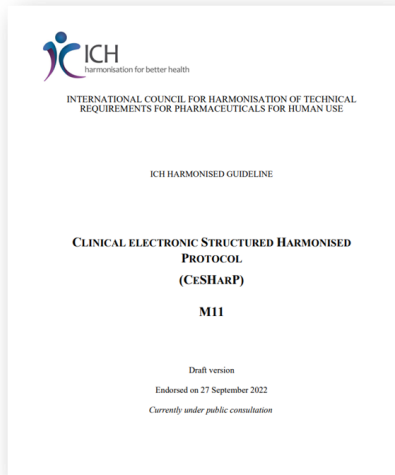
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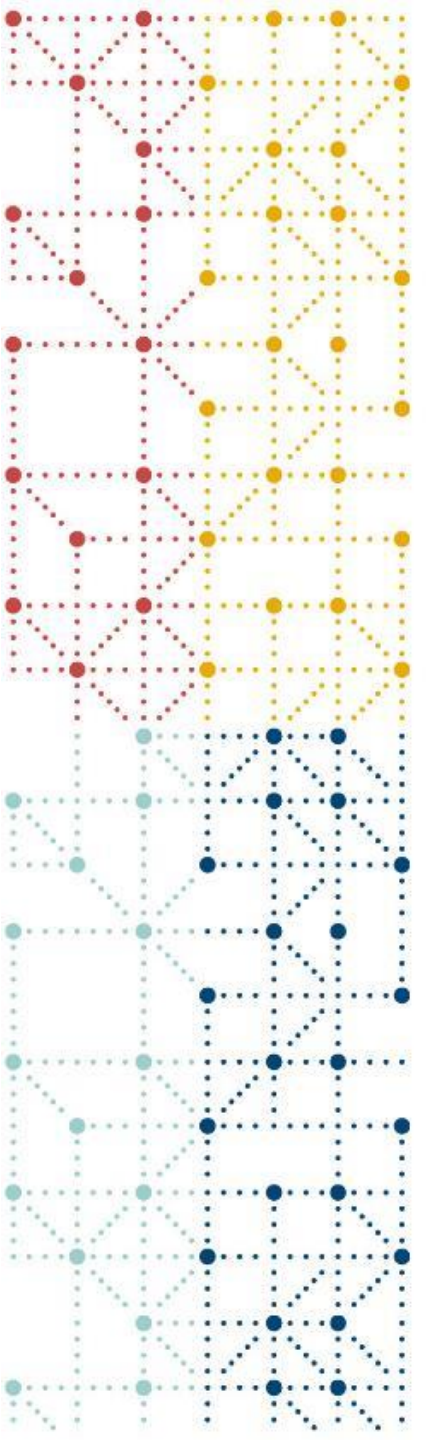


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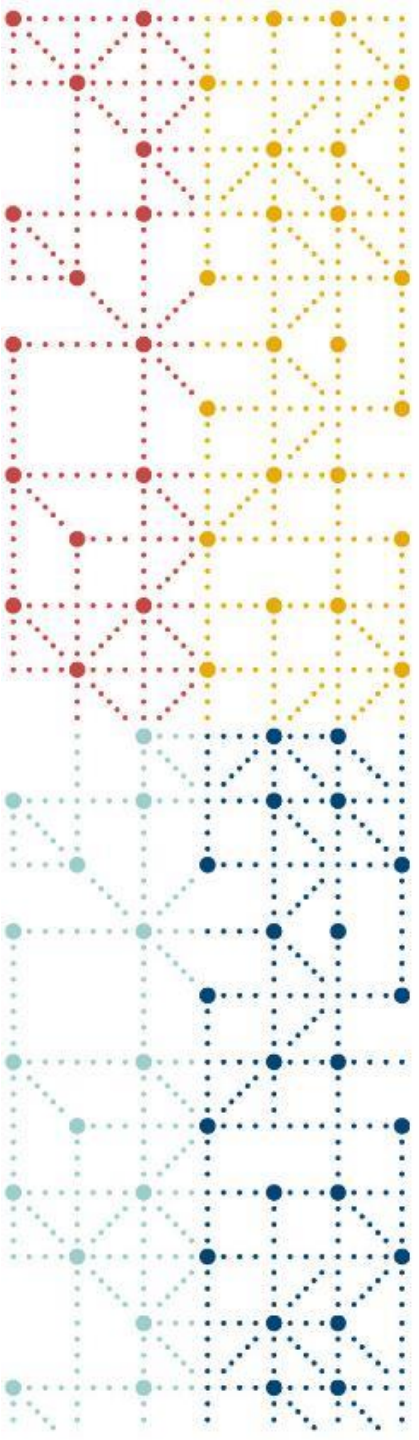
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Next steps



What to expect

- It's time to start paying attention
- Transcelerate and CDISC will accelerate the operationalization of the digital protocol
- We expect to engage in industry and regulatory pilots soon



Thank You!

