

PhenoBlocks: Phenotype Comparison Visualizations

Glueck, Michael, et al. "PhenoBlocks: Phenotype Comparison Visualizations." (2016).

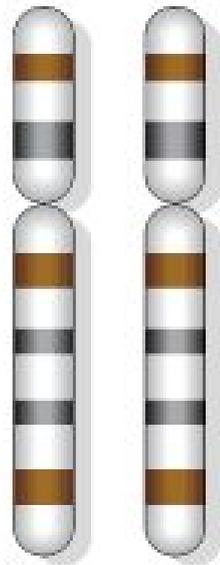
As presented by Mike



What: Patient Phenotype Comparisons
(as defined by an ontology)



What is a phenotype?



Genotype



Codes for



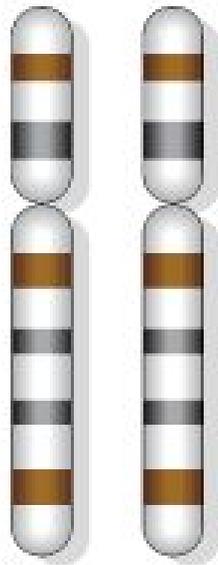
Phenotype

What?

Why?

How?

What is a phenotype?



Genotype



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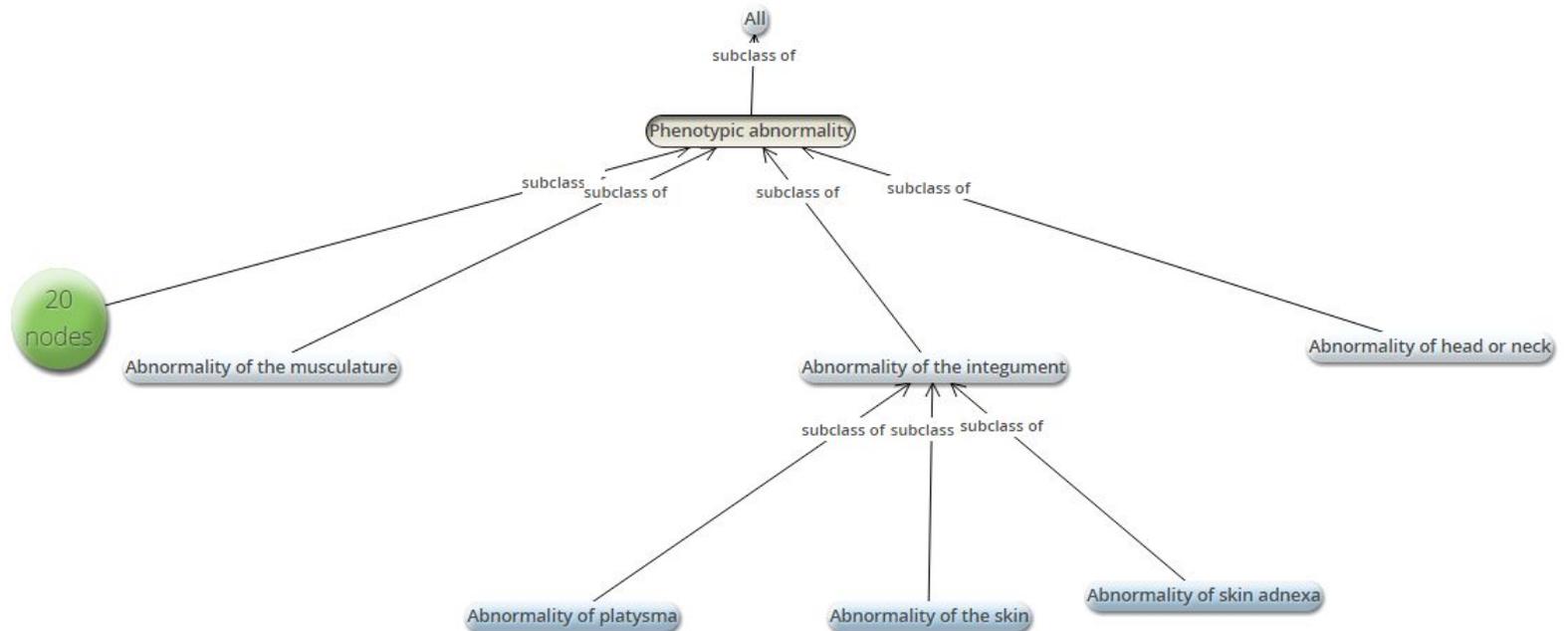
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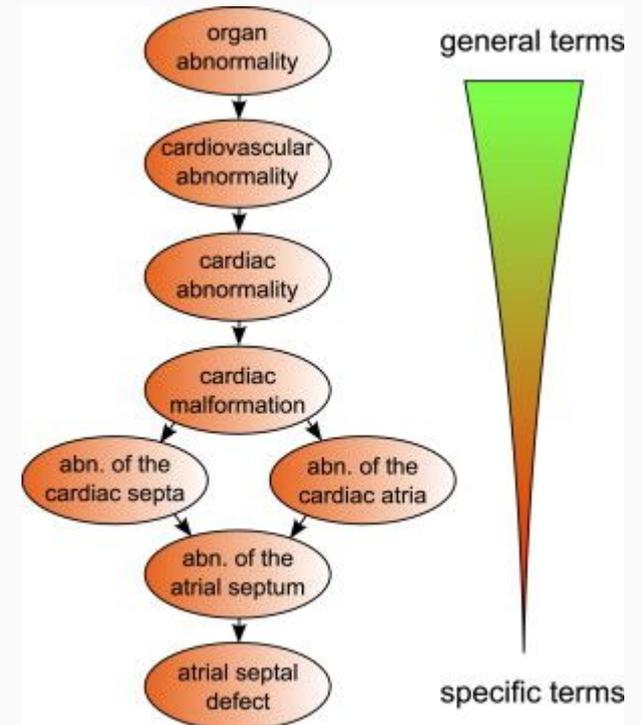
Why?

How?

<http://compbio.charite.de/hpweb/showterm?id=HP:0000118>

What is an ontology?

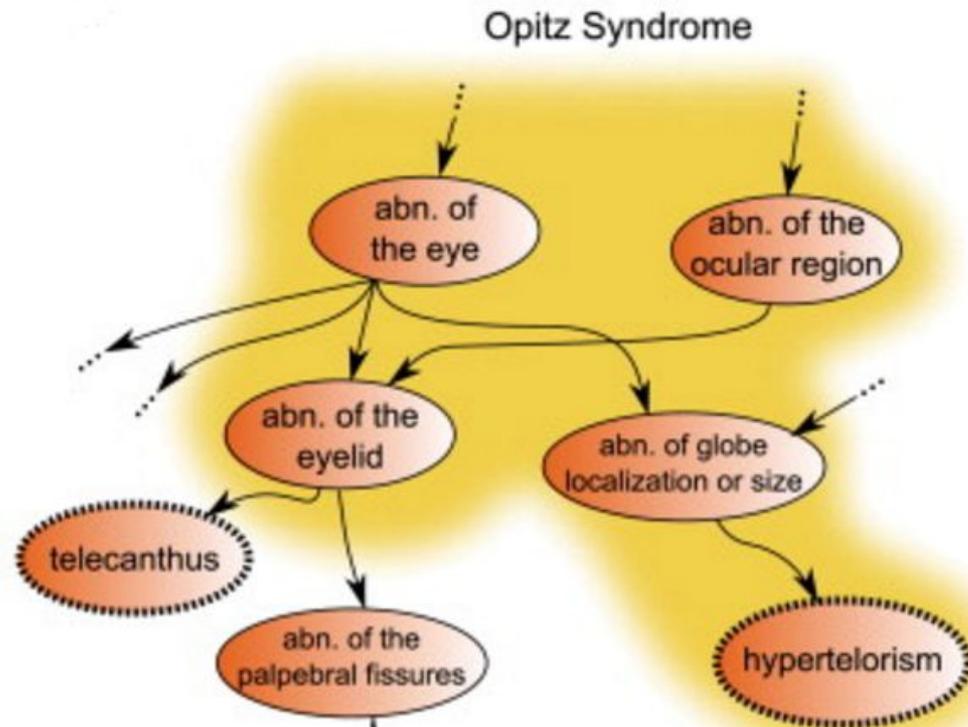
- Network dataset type (xml like format)
- Similar to trees and DAGs
- Is-a relationships (hierarchical)
- Multiple inheritance
- And so much more!



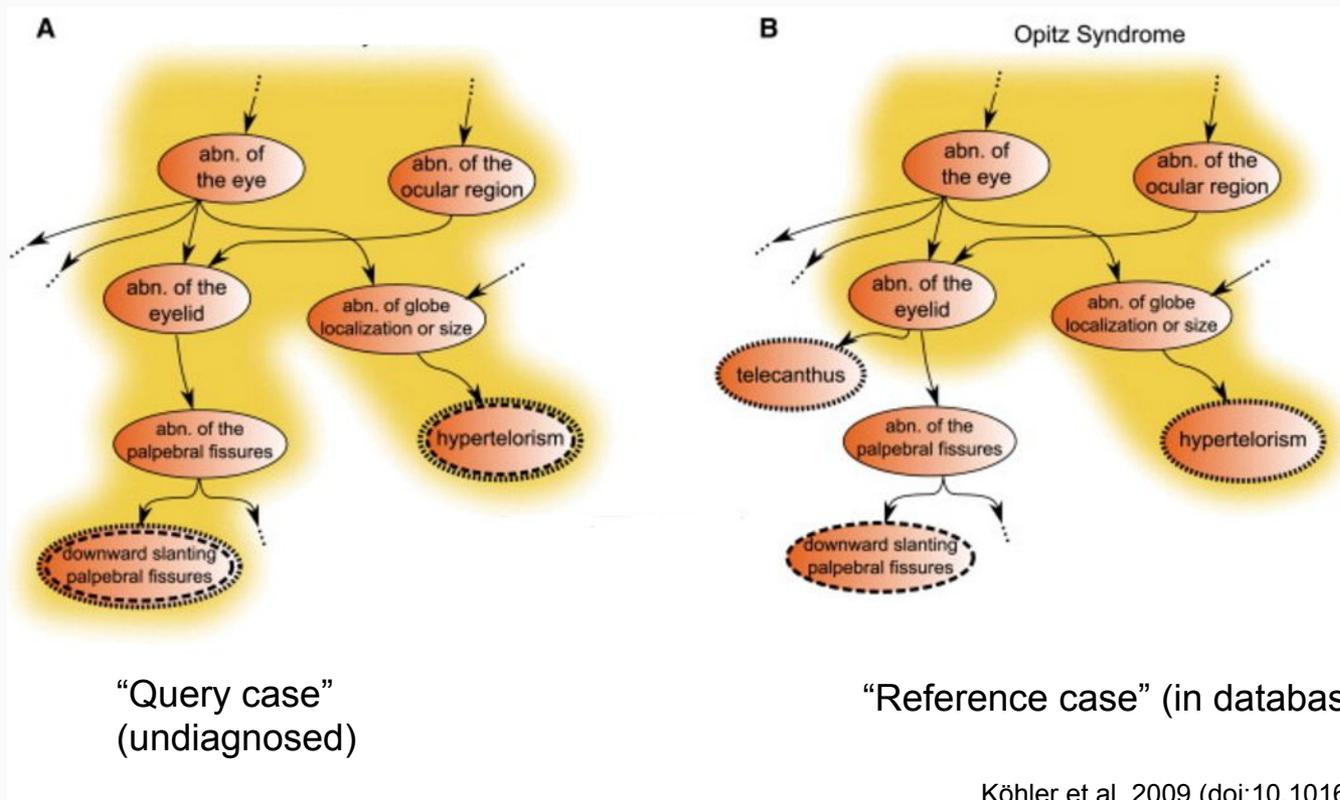
What is a patient phenotype?

- Defined by assigning ontology terms to
 - {Present}
 - {Absent}
 - Unknown

```
{  
  "id": "q1",  
  "present": [  
    "HP:0000492",  
    "HP:0000316"  
  ],  
  "absent": [  
    "HP:0000506"  
  ]  
}
```



What is a phenotype comparison?



Köhler et al, 2009 ([doi:10.1016/j.ajhg.2009.09.003](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ajhg.2009.09.003))

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Why: Phenotype Comparison



Why: Task Abstraction

- Analyse

- Discover
 - Discover potential diagnoses
 - Verify existing diagnoses

- Query

- Identify
 - Find similar cases
- Compare
 - Examine similarities and differences between comparisons
- Summarize
 - Understand case comparison profiles at a glance

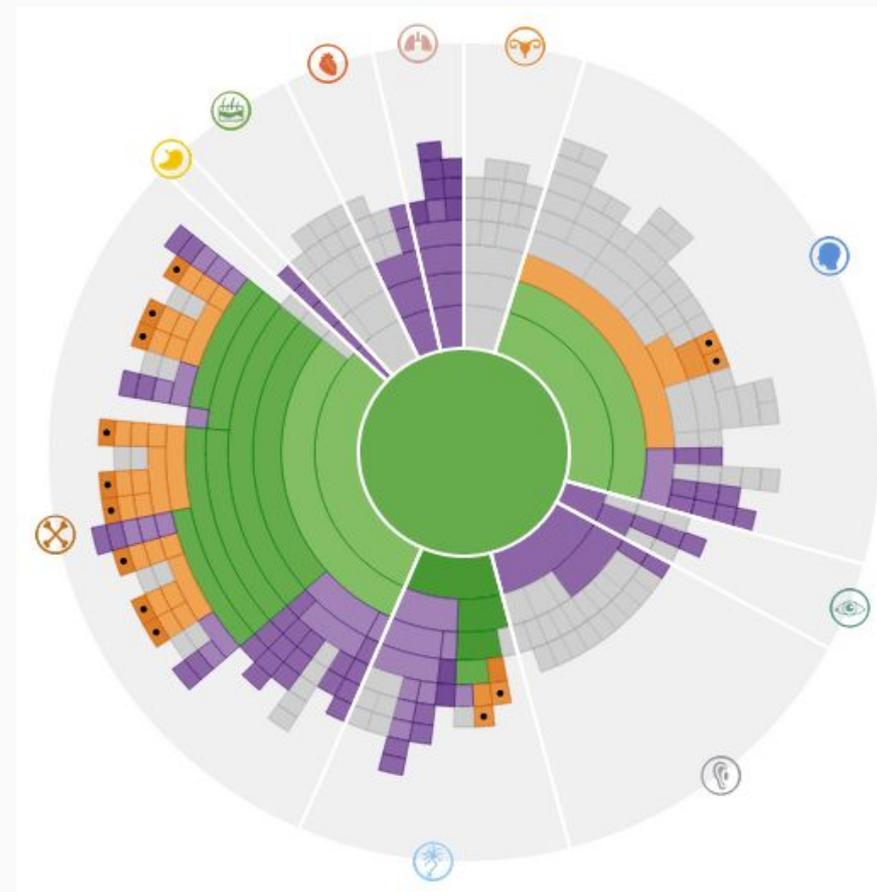


How?



How: Encode

- Ontology expanded into a tree
- Sunburst layout used
 - Shows all nodes
 - Gives more space to informative nodes
- Major branches separated
- Colour encodes overlap

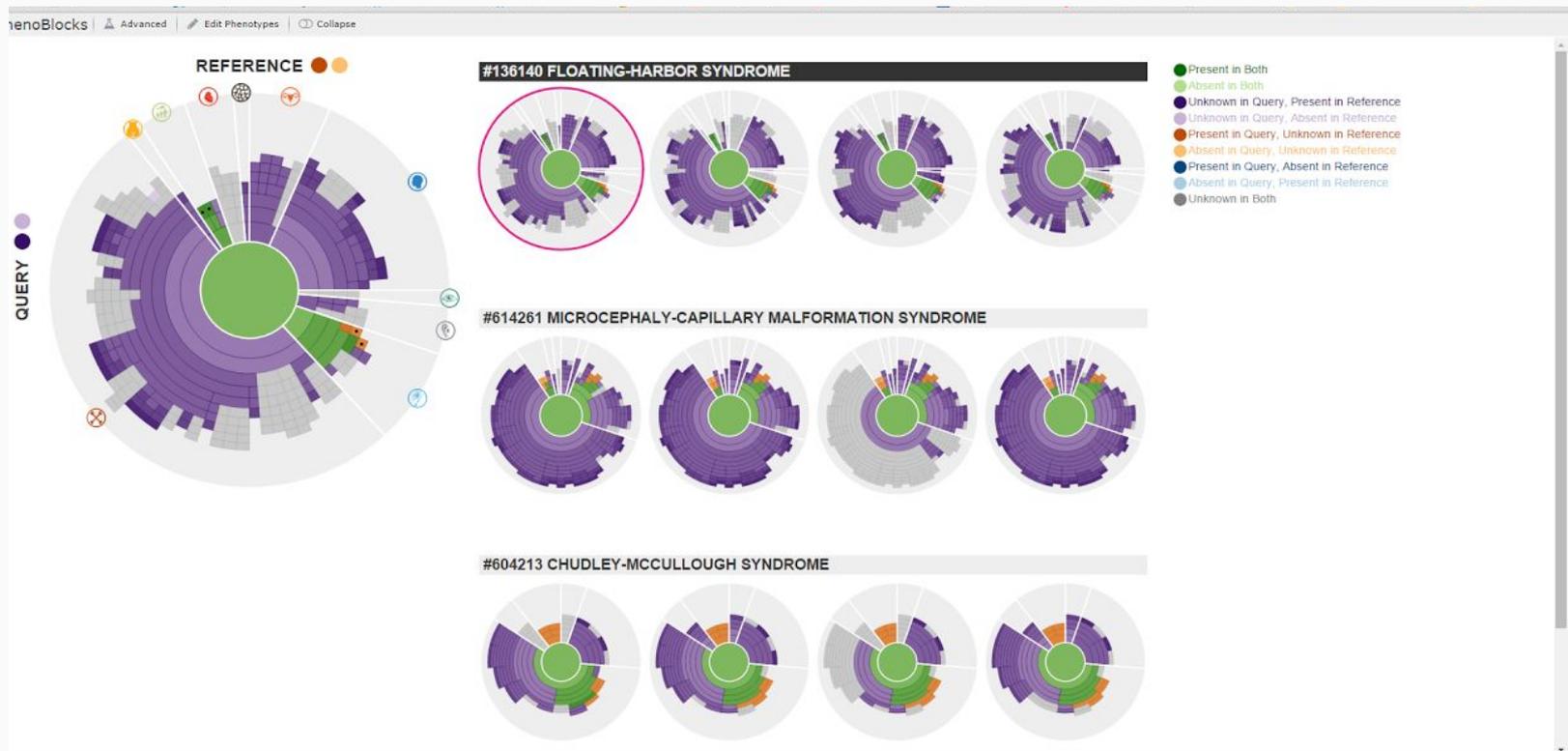


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How: Manipulate Selection



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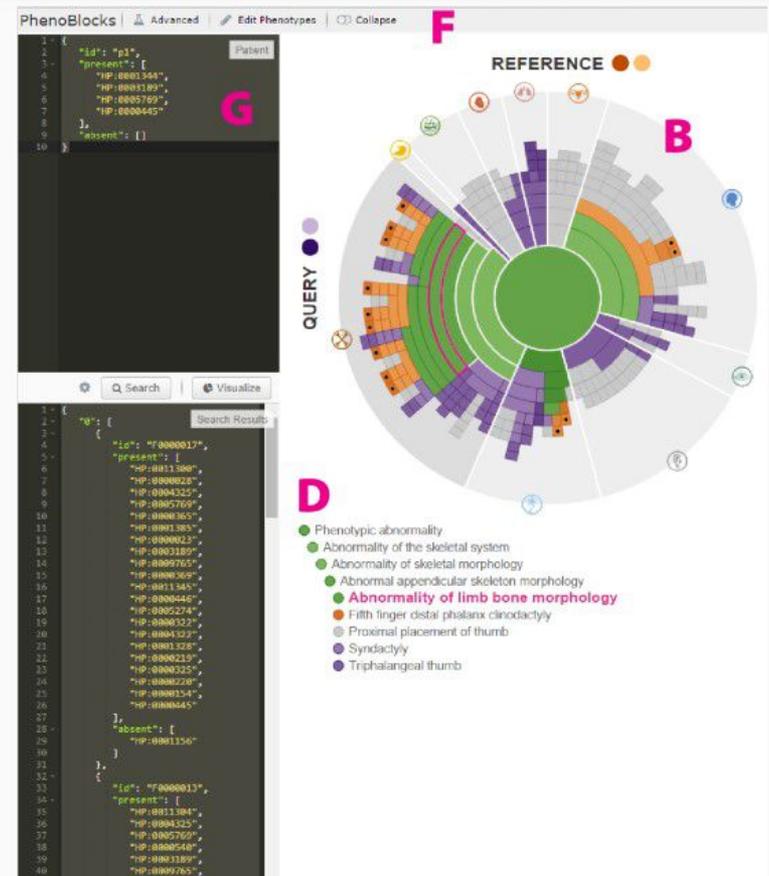
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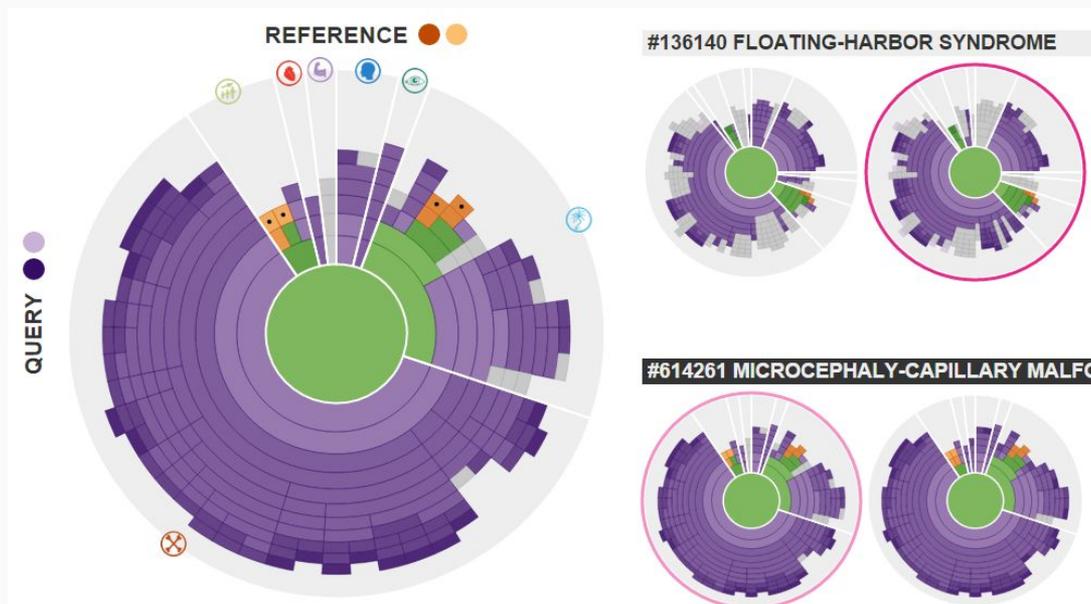
How: Manipulate

- Can change query phenotype in G
 - Will change visuals on demand
- Clicking on items in B
 - Brings up include/exclude dialog
 - Causes PhenoBlocks to freeze
- Edit Phenotype button near F
 - Also breaks PhenoBlocks



How: Facet

- Partitioned by main branches of phenotype ontology
- Small multiples used to juxtapose multiple cases



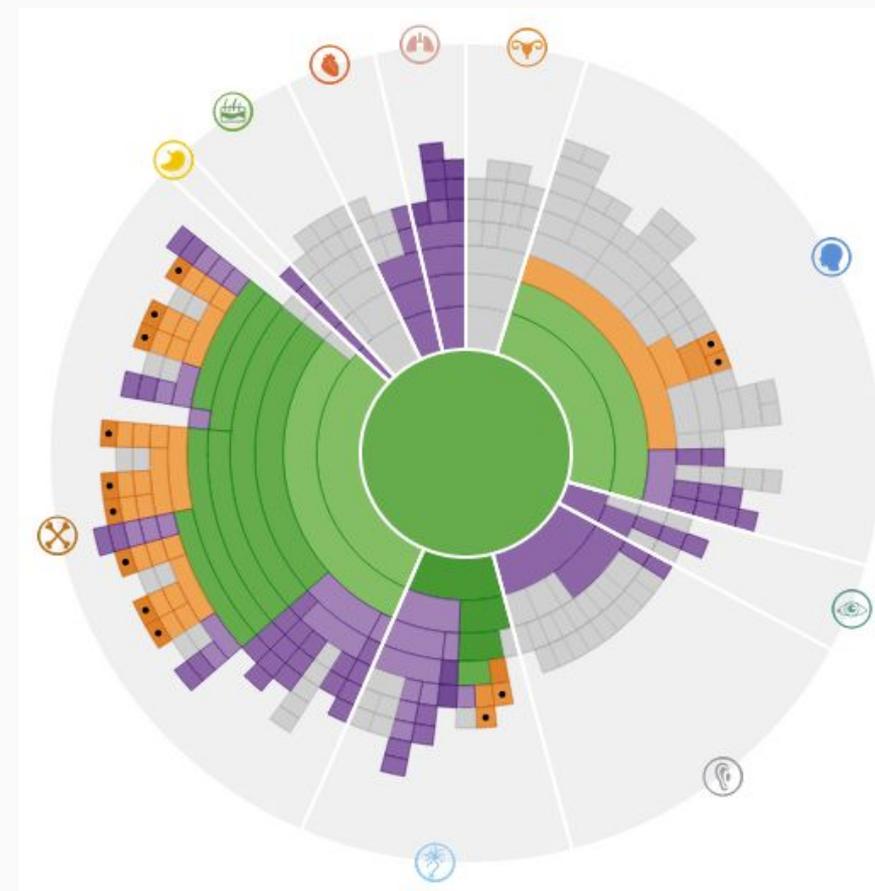
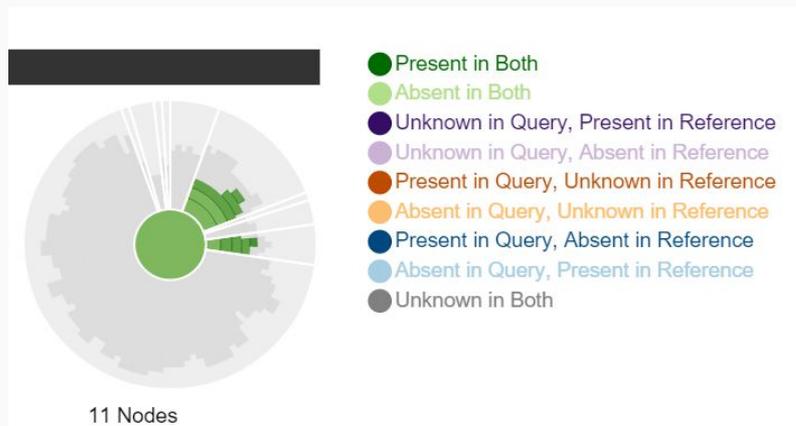
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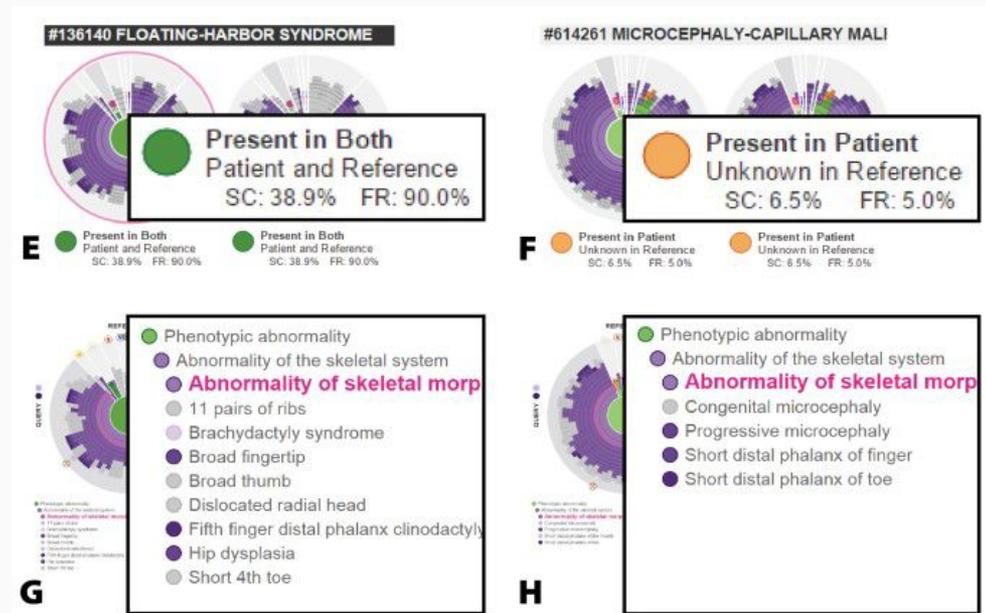
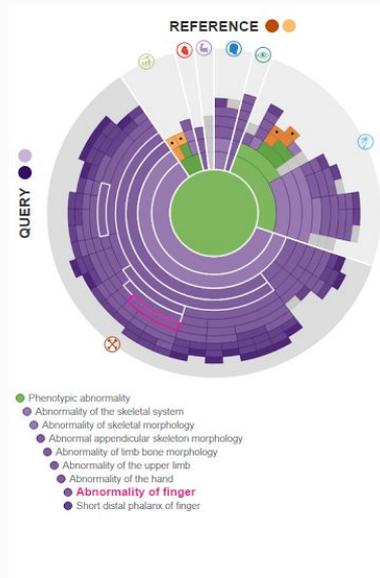
How: Reduce

- Clicking on categories collapses
 - Not yet functional
- Can filter which nodes to display based on membership



How: Embed

- Details on demand
 - Main view (linked highlighting!)
 - Small multiples view



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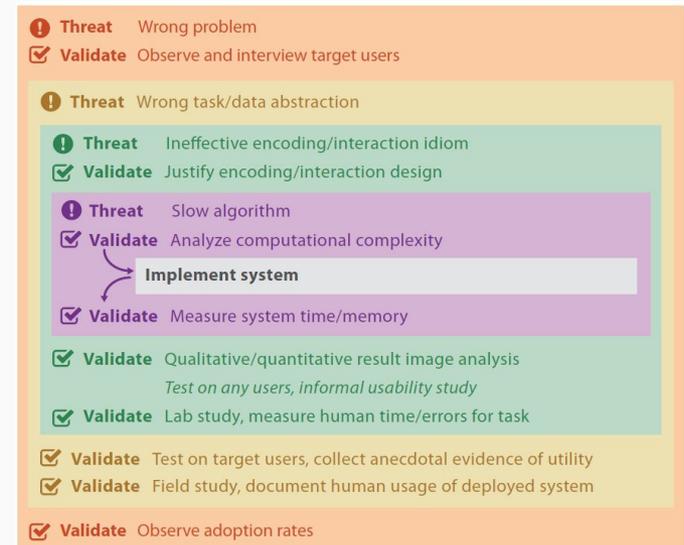
How?

Validation



Validation

- Worked with two clinicians during and after development
 - Tailored workflow to their needs during development
 - Validated the system based on user feedback after development
- Idiom validation not provided
 - No quantitative comparison to other methods/tools
- Algorithmic validation not provided
 - Slow and buggy, but technically not yet released



Validation: PhenomeCentral

Case ID	Diagnosis	Relevance	Details
 MIM613353	#613353 MONONEUROPATHY OF THE MEDIAN NERVE, MILD	■■■■□ 59%	<input type="button" value="HIDE PHENOTYPE AND GENOTYPE SIMILARITY..."/>
PHENOTYPIC FEATURES BREAKDOWN		GENE MATCHING BREAKDOWN	
MONONEUROPATHY ■■■■■ 100%		No genetic information available	
The current patient (P0000526) presented with: Mononeuropathy	The matched patient (MIM613353) presented with: Mononeuropathy		
ABNORMALITY OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM ■□□□ 15%			
The current patient (P0000526) presented with: CNS hypomyelination Spasticity Ataxia Severe global developmental delay Dysmyelinating leukodystrophy	The matched patient (MIM613353) presented with: Peripheral axonal neuropathy Polyneuropathy		
UNMATCHED			
The current patient (P0000526) presented with: Nystagmus	The matched patient (MIM613353) presented with: -		

Validation: GeneYenta

Phenotype Tag Summary

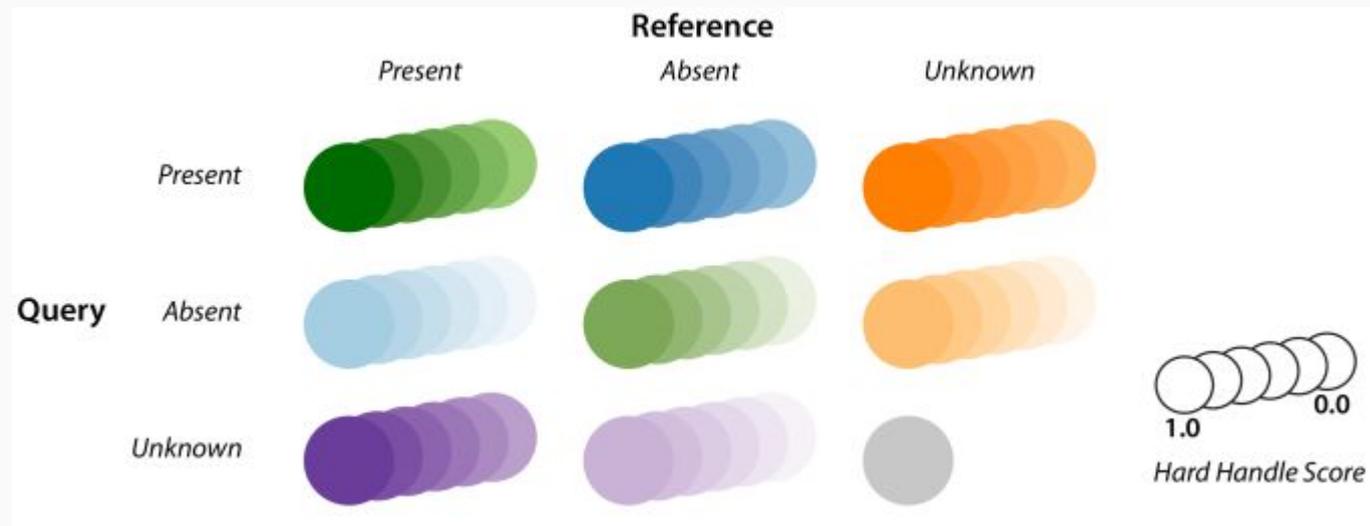
Description	Your Importance Rating	Importance Rating
Parkinsonism	N/A	3
Macrogyria	N/A	3
Leukodystrophy	5	N/A
X-linked recessive inheritance	N/A	4
Intellectual disability, moderate	N/A	3
Delayed speech and language development	N/A	3
Nystagmus	3	4
Spasticity	3	4
Head titubation	N/A	4
Dysmyelinating leukodystrophy	5	N/A
Severe global developmental delay	3	N/A
Microcephaly	N/A	3
Athetosis	N/A	3
Ataxia	3	4
Generalized hypotonia	N/A	3
Hypomyelination	5	4
Dementia	N/A	3
Mononeuropathy	4	N/A
Progressive spastic quadriplegia	N/A	4
Optic atrophy	N/A	3

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End

Hard Handles

Informs colour, based on information content and disorder frequency



How: Encode

- Colour used to represent whether terms are in present or absent in both reference and query cases

Nine States		Reference		
		<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Unknown</i>
Query	<i>Present</i>	P/P	P/A	P/U
	<i>Absent</i>	A/P	A/A	A/U
	<i>Unknown</i>	U/P	U/A	U/U

Shared in Both
Divergent in Both
Missing in Query
Missing in Reference
Unknown in Both

Ontology States

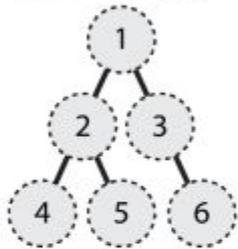
A. Patient Phenotype Terms

Query Present: 5, Absent: --

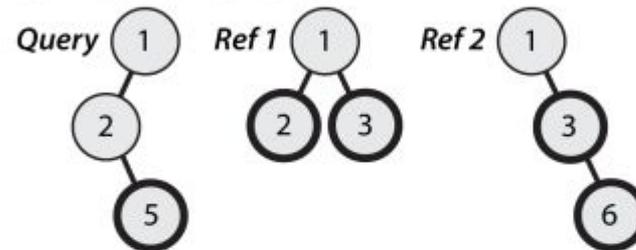
Ref 1 Present: 3, Absent: 2

Ref 2 Present: 3, Absent: 6

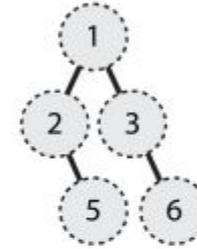
B. Ontology



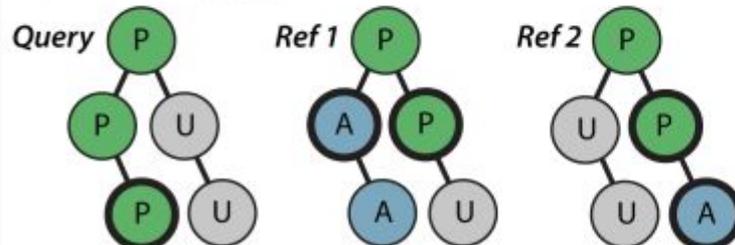
C. Hierarchical Data



D. Shared Structure



E. Inferred States



F. Differential Hierarchies

