# Optimizing RWE Design and Conduct by Leveraging Computable Operational Definition (CODef) Indication Libraries: Development, Verification and Value

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## Why is this important?

- Real-world evidence (RWE) involves the interpretation of study elements into conceptual and operational definitions, including up-to-date code lists.
- CODefs maximize <u>comparability</u> and <u>consistency</u> across data sources in global RWE.
- Thoughtful CODef selection has a direct impact on study results as indicated by FDA Guidances \*
- **Objective: To support the optimization of** real-world evidence (RWE) design and conduct via direct selection of CODefs from pre-curated indication-specific libraries.

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## How did we perform this research?

metrics, where available.

#### A rigorous process was used to develop each indication specific library Lit Review of the **CODef Creation Value Set Creation Reference / Validation** Indication We create value sets / code We document and link • We review literature, We use information from the literature review to clinical trials and reputable lists based on the CODefs reference information to references. create the CODefs for created. their respective CODef and • We look for specific each relevant concept, We leverage clinical, value set / code list. concepts typically used for covering different data medical informatics and eligibility criteria, We conduct an in-depth variable types: exposure, endpoints, etc. Diagnoses research resources. medical, informatics & We identify relevant We use the same resources Procedures knowledge engineering algorithms and value sets Medications to create value sets as are review of each CODef, for each concept. Labs used in healthcare tech and value set / code list, and We provide value context Encounters electronic health records via published validation library upon completion. Observations

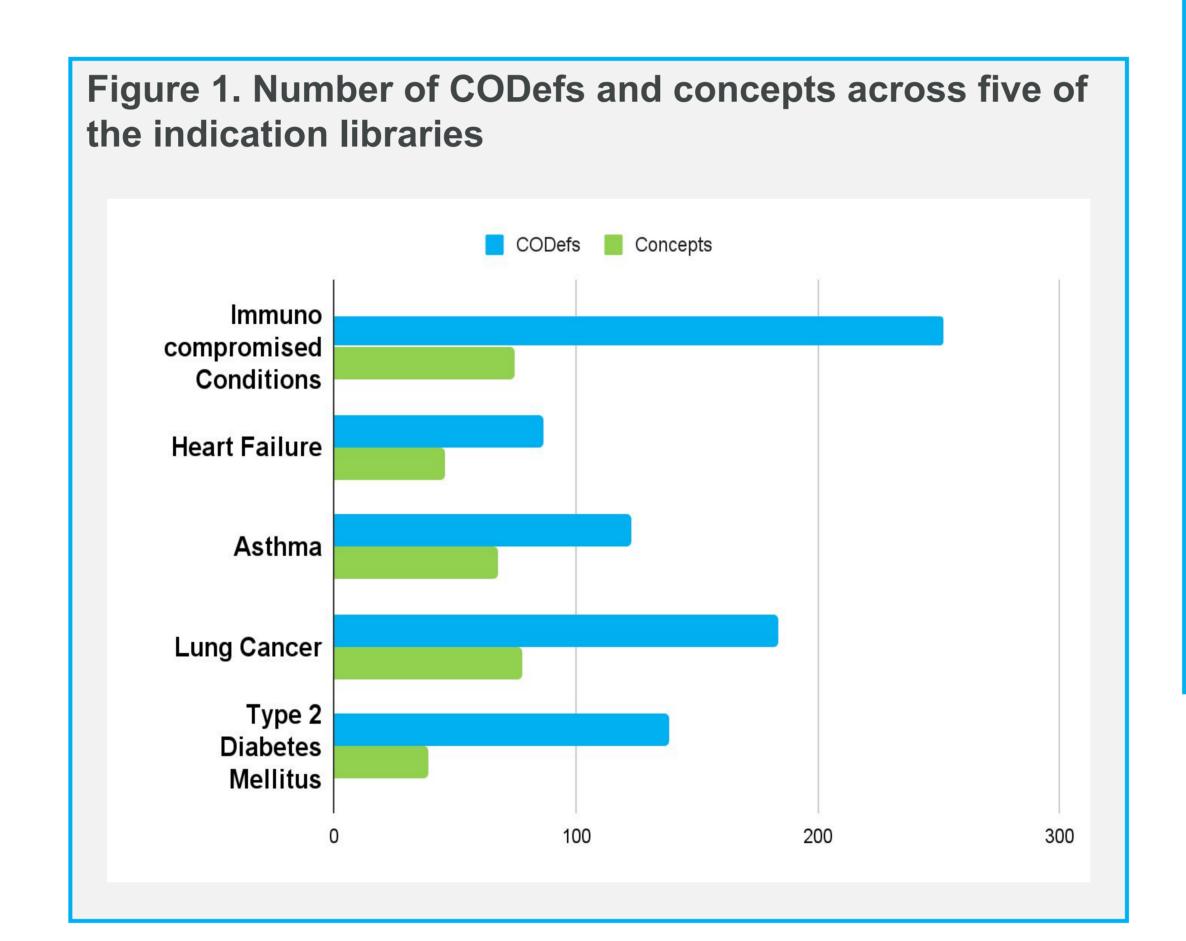
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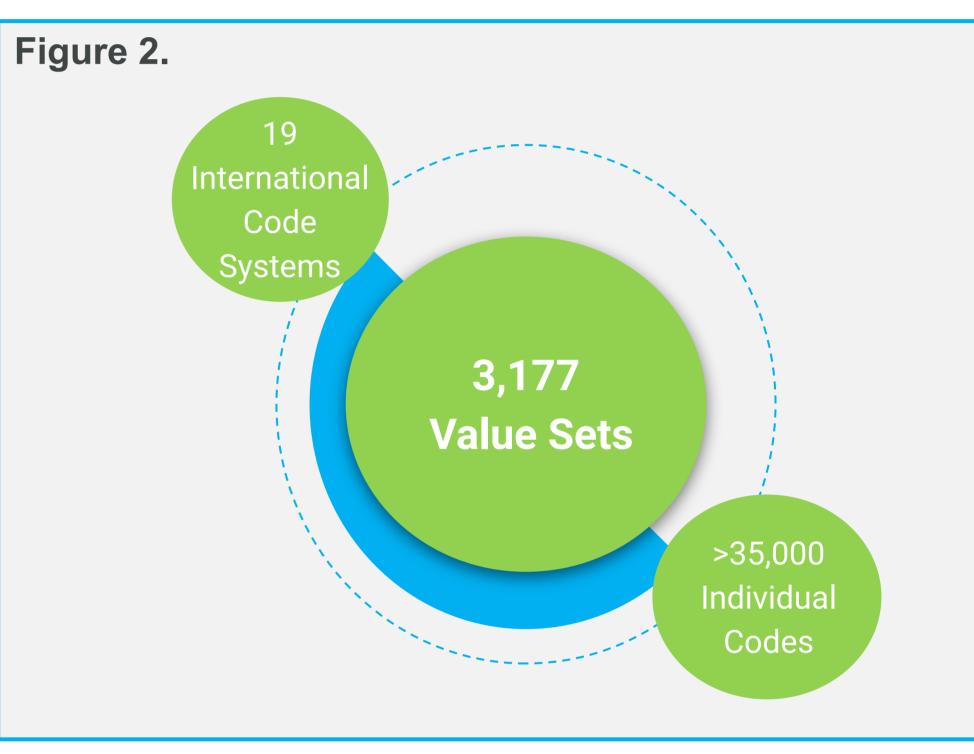
# Indication-specific CODef Libraries for this Project

- Each concept will have multiple CODef implementations. The number of CODefs per library ranged from 86-252 and the number of concepts per library ranged from 45-74 (averaging 1.9 – 3.4 CODefs/concept) [Figure 1]
- The libraries utilized international code systems including >35,000 individual codes. [Figure 2]
- Code systems include:
  - > ICD-10-CM
- > SNOMED CT UK
- > ICD-9-CM
- > READ2

> OPCS

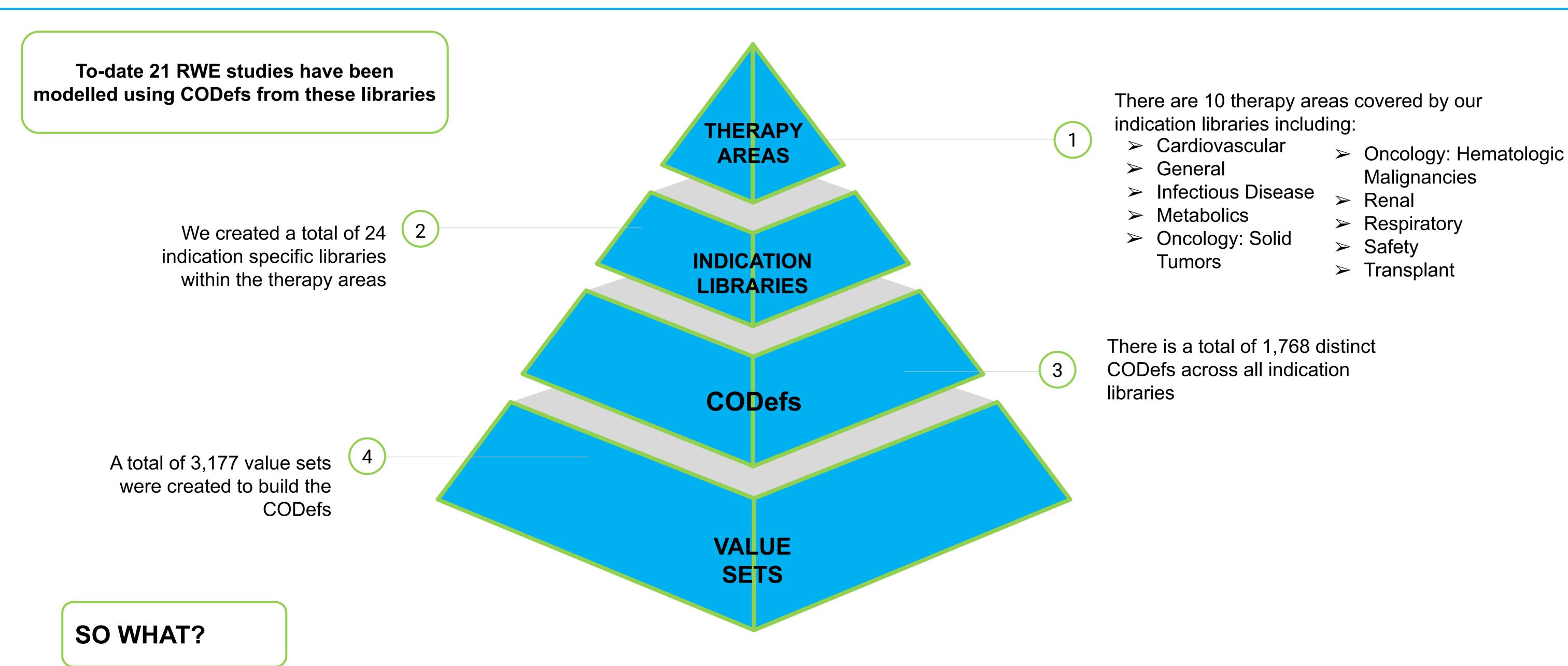
- > ICD-10-WHO
- CPRD Aurum Medical > CPRD Aurum Product
- > SNOMED CT
- > ICD-10-PCS
- > ATC
- > RxNorm
- > NDC
- Classification Commune des Actes Médicaux
- > UCD Medication
- > CIP Medication
- > MedDRA > HCPCS





Value sets using the most appropriate set of standard codes maximized the relevancy and usefulness of each CODef for Real World Evidence, across global geographic regions.

# **Current Coverage**



- | Pre-curated indication-specific libraries of CODefs provide significant value to RWE.
- Researchers can select the most appropriate CODef from a library, saving time while ensuring consistency within studies and across the industry.

FDA Guidance: Real-World Data: Assessing Electronic Health Records and Medical Claims Data to Support Regulatory Decision-Making for Drug and Biological Products. July 2024. https://tinyurl.com/fda-guidance-july-2024. FDA Guidance: Use of Real-World Evidence to Support Regulatory Decision-Making for Medical Devices. December 2023. https://tinyurl.com/fda-guidance-dec-2023.