

Defining Unmet Needs of Clinical Practice

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Objectives

- Appreciation of complexity of clinical pathways
- A method of utilising routine clinical datasets to define clinical pathways
- Importance of defining baseline pathways to quantify innovation impact

Overview

- Worked Example
 - Extent of the clinical problem, neutropenic sepsis
 - Method of defining baseline clinical pathways
 - Routine clinical dataset
 - NETIMIS
 - The innovation
 - Visualising & quantifying where impacts realised

Cancer Statistics

- UK population projected to increase to 70 million by 2027
- Number people ≥ 80 years projected to double to 6 million by 2037
- $\geq 1/3$ cancers diagnosed are in people 75 years and over
- 1 in 2 people in the UK born after 1960 will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime
- $>1/3$ patients diagnosed with cancer in UK each year receive chemotherapy, the true number increasing by 15% each year.

Chemotherapy Toxicity

- Nausea and vomiting, alopecia, diarrhoea, mucositis
- Myelosuppression and neutropenic sepsis
 - Medical emergency
 - Clinical review and blood count
 - Admission for IV antibiotics
- Prior to next cycle
 - Toxicity(neutropenia must resolve)

Contact St James's Institute of Oncology immediately if you experience any of the following:

- Temperature of 38°C or above for longer than an hour
- Feeling very unwell.
- Having the shivers.
- Any symptoms of an infection, for example, pain when passing urine, coughing green/yellow phlegm, sore treatment line, rash.
- Being sick and not being able to keep any fluids down
- Severe diarrhoea.
- Spontaneous bleeding or bruising.
- Sore mouth that is painful.
- Inability to eat or drink.

If you have any of the above symptoms or are feeling seriously unwell please contact:
St James's University Hospital (0113) 243 3144
and ask for the **Oncology Patient Enquiries**
Blepholder.

Please note that this is only for patients experiencing side effects during or immediately following a course of treatment (i.e. within 3 to 4 weeks).

General enquiries about appointments etc. should be directed to the appropriate department. For other problems not related to your treatment, you should contact your GP.

Neutropenic Sepsis

- Incidence febrile neutropenia dependent upon primary cancer site and chemotherapy regimen*.
 - high risk >20%
 - Intermediate risk 10-20%
 - low risk <10%
- Febrile neutropenia**
 - Median admission duration 5 days
 - Mean 9 days
 - Range of 1-60 days
- Inpatient mortality rates of neutropenia complicated by sepsis range from 4.2% to 12.5%**.

Worked Example

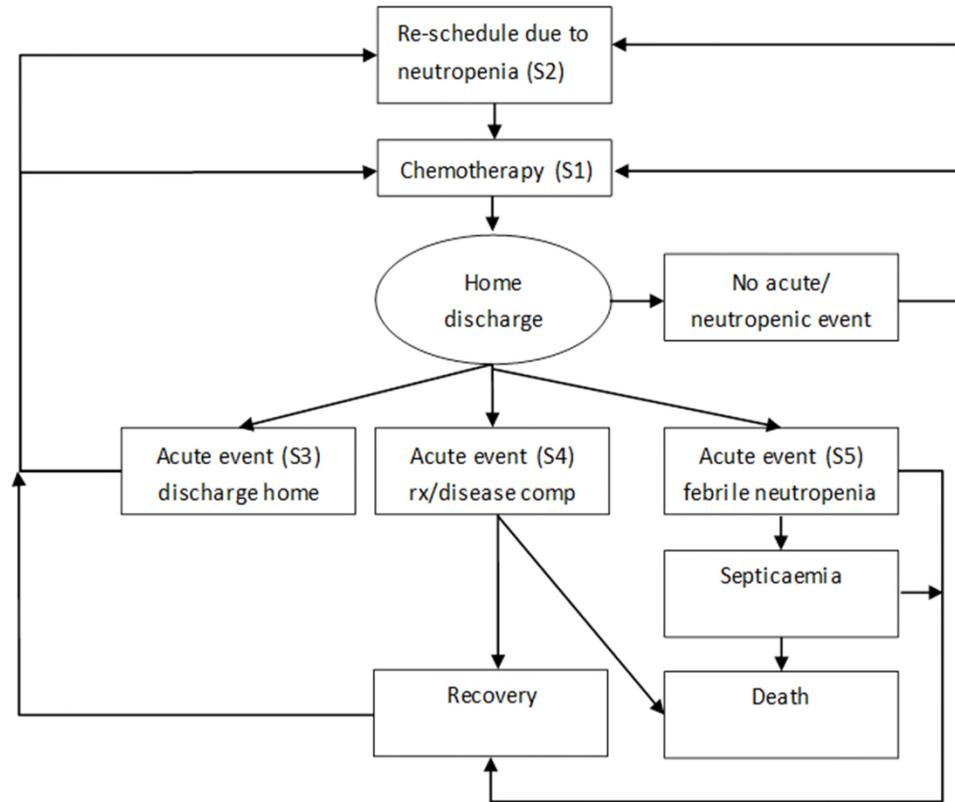
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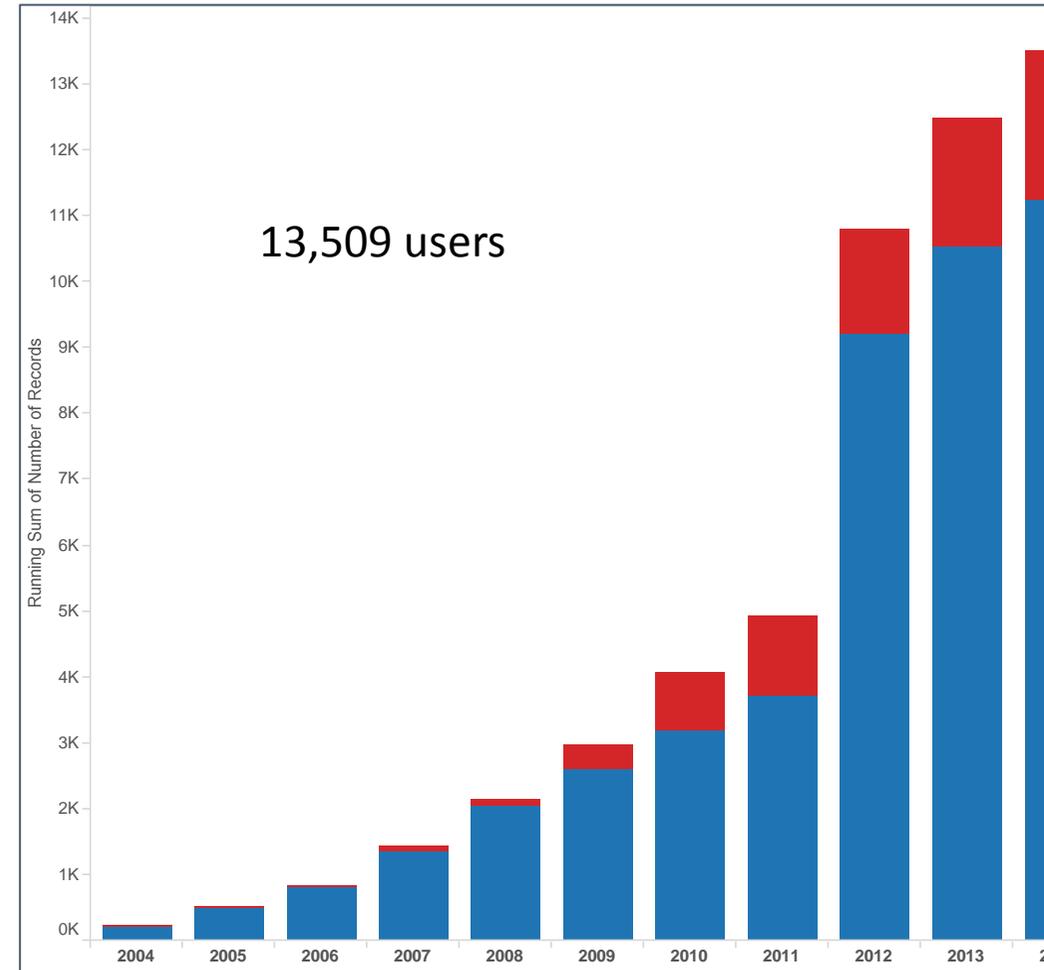


Assumed Clinical Pathways

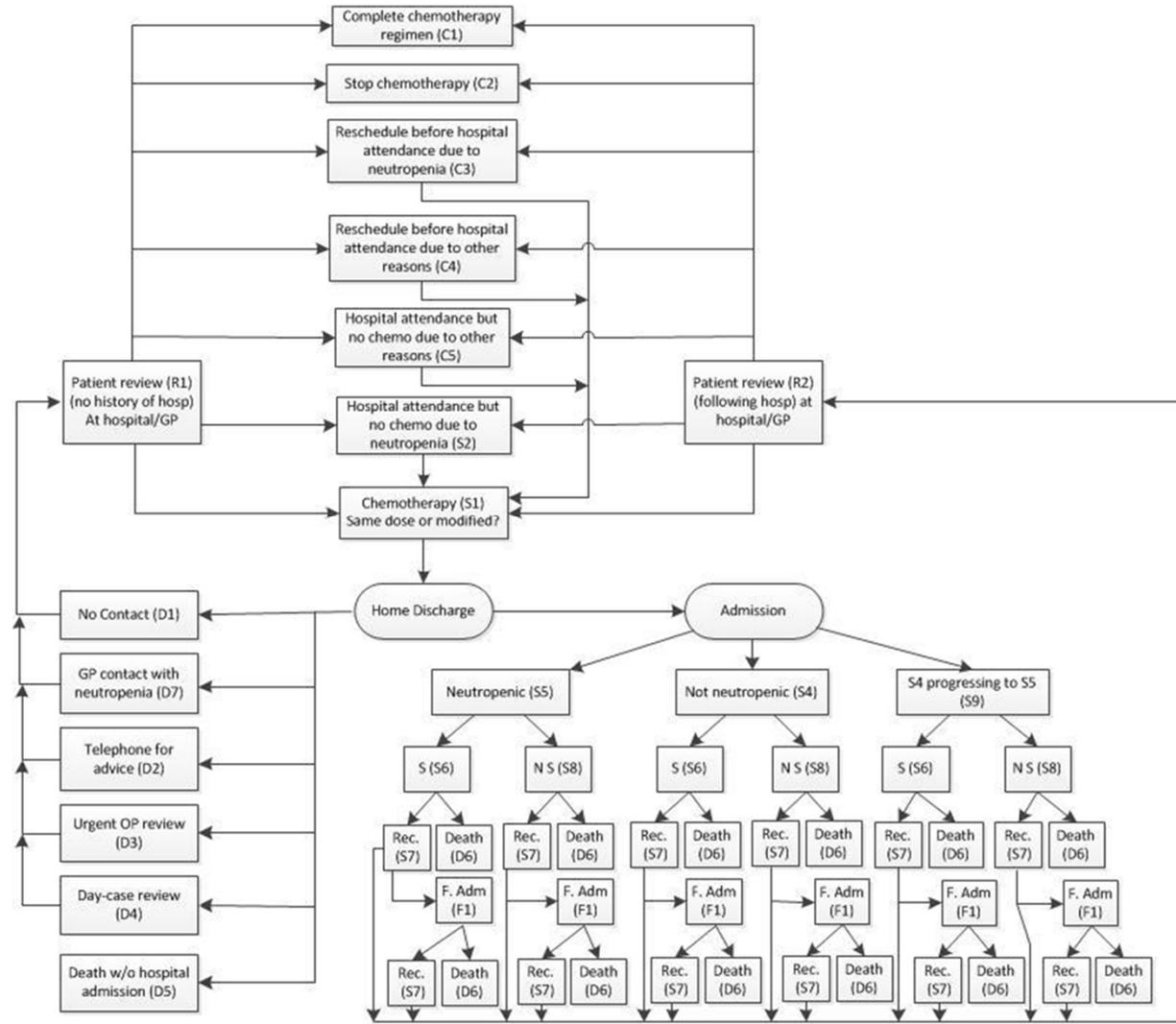


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- 1.98 million patients
 - 43 million events
 - 17.5 million out-patient events
 - 3.3 million admissions
 - 65 million blood results
 - 2.9 million plain text annotations
 - 4.7 million plain text radiology reports
 - 578K plain text pathology reports
 - 543K diagnoses
 - 136K radiotherapy treatments
 - 278 K chemotherapy cycles



Better Understand Care Pathway



an we use real data to populate real pathways?

Philips Healthcare Solution



Oncologist prescribes WBC monitoring for "at risk" patients.



e.g. Breast cancer:
6 cycles x 21 days
(4-6 months)

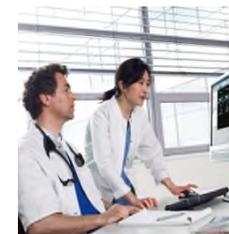


The Oncology team reviews data from patient: detects early signs of adverse events and intervene

routine outpatient appointment for assessment and prescription of next chemotherapy cycle

Provides feedback to patient via the tele-hub and/or phone call:

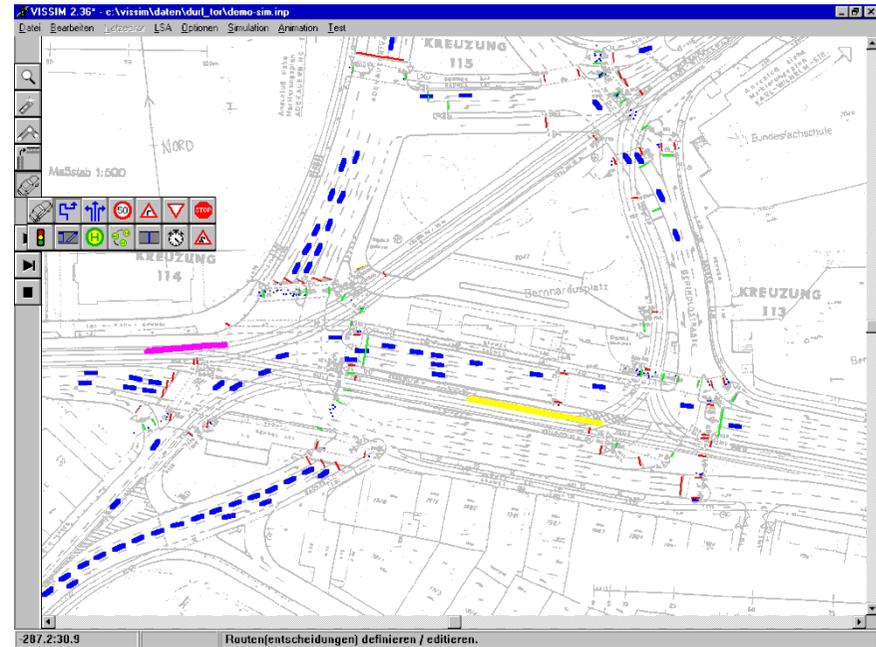
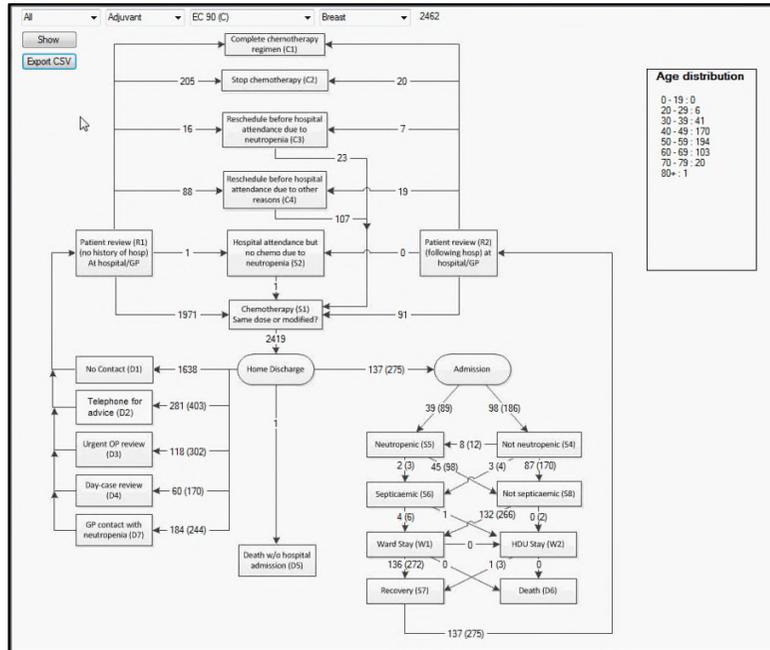
- Intervene with antibiotics (self?)
- Administer growth factors (nurse/ carer)
- Re-schedule next clinic (dose delay)
- Change next chemotherapy dose



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Network Tools for Intervention Modelling with Intelligent Simulation

From traffic simulation to patient flows



Source: Example of transport simulation software. <http://www.its.leeds.ac.uk/projects/smarterst/>
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Introduction of POCT at GPWalk-in centre in sepsis pathways (3)

Model settings

Model title: Introduction of POCT at GPWalk-in centre in sepsis pathways (3)

Population size: 500

Currency: GBP

Time unit: hours

State of attendance: 1

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About NETIMIS

NETIMIS is a web-based simulation software tool, which offers a set of functionalities to analyse, create and edit healthcare scenarios through pathway modelling.

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Case Studies

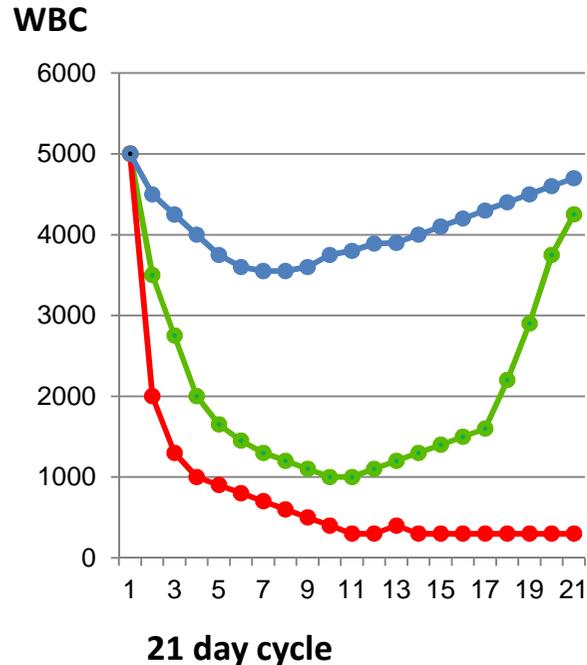
NETIMIS was developed as a data modelling tool to improve healthcare pathways in the UK NHS. Click here to read the case studies on how NETIMIS can help make improvements.

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- Simulates patient flow
- Means to experiment with change
- Enables sharing of visual models of current and proposed pathways
- Can assign cost and time at each action point

Where might the benefits be realised?



Sub-optimal dosing
Personalised therapy (3)

optimal status

Neutropenia and
increasing risk of
infection and sepsis:
- Hospitalisation/AE (2)
- Delayed therapy (1)

Impact on Patients:

- Wasted journeys & delayed treatment
- Lengthy waiting in out-patients
- Emergency Hospitalisations
- Morbidity
- Anxiety & Stress

1. Scheduling:

- Missed clinics
- Wasted hospital/ clinic resource

2. Adverse events (AE):

- Emergency hospitalisations (5%)*
- Lengthy bed stays
- Sig. mortality- Neutropenic Sepsis (10%)
- Cost per episode

3. Personalised treatment:

- Over-treated or
- Under-treated

*41K patient study, Kuderer et al, Cancer, 2006

Where might the benefits be realised?

1. In the pathway, directly for patients

- Acute scenario
 - Reduce frequency and severity of adverse events
 - Reduce assessments which result in no change to management
 - Reduce other hospital contacts
- Elective chemotherapy
 - Reduce wasted hospital journeys

2. Indirectly as a result of pathway changes

- Reduce chemotherapy wastage & cancellation delivery slots
- Reduce staff & consumable resource
- Reduce transport costs to NHS & patients (car parking)
- Reduce Anxiety

Summary

- Extent of the clinical problem, neutropenic sepsis
- Method of defining baseline clinical pathways
 - Routine clinical dataset
 - NETIMIS
- Modelling clinical pathways to visualise where impacts realised

Key Messages

- Awareness of complexity of clinical pathways
- A method of populating pathways with existing routine clinical data
- Importance of defining baseline pathways to quantify innovation impact
 - Enables identification of where there are unmet needs
 - Demonstrates how test might give value at different points in the pathway

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