


METHODS APPENDIX: AI Framework for National, Near Real-Time Detection of Clinical Practice Gaps

INPUT: DATA

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NATIONAL-SCALE AND DEPTH

AI autonomously captures and integrates different data types, structures, formats, and sources into knowledge domains

 **National scale addresses traditional small sample limitations**

DATA SOURCES capture **85%¹** of daily digital activity

VOLUME

✓ Web traffic

✓ Links and redirects

✓ Geospatial activity *Trillions of location points*

VOCABULARY

✓ Entire search domain *Billions of searches*

VENUES

✓ Websites *~4 billion sites processed monthly*

✓ 1st party apps

ENGAGEMENT

✓ Content

- Drug information, interaction databases*
- PV databases, e.g., SIDER-2*
- Medical taxonomies, e.g., NIH-MESH*
- Publications: >1 million studies; >5000 publishers*

✗ Social media, paid campaigns, offline activities

AI systematically extracts deterministic digital activity to assemble pattern chains or **SIGNALS** representing a microcosm of a given construct


AI ALGORITHM META-SIGNAL

Linked signals form a **META-SIGNAL** → yielding ontologies, behavioral cohorts and market segments → making inter-dependencies within complex ecosystems visible

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NEAR REAL-TIME

Digital patterns are ingested daily and re-indexed to reconstruct 90-day patterns on a rolling basis

 **Rapid access to emerging signals facilitates responsive decision-making**

3 DATA PRIVACY AND SECURITY


1. "85% of digital activity" refers to the share of public, anonymized open web activity from sources listed above (search queries, redirect chains, traffic, page loads and related telemetry from ~4 billion websites/1st party apps); it excludes closed-platform content and paid/social media.
2. Model validation showed 88-96% accuracy across healthcare and consumer applications; in healthcare, it achieved 90% accuracy when deployed for contact tracing in South Africa <https://www.straitstimes.com/tech/local-health-bodies-and-tech-firms-using-ai-to-fight-covid-19>
3. We validated HCPs authenticated by the 3-Vector Model against national medical society registers to confirm accuracy of HCP-cohort universe size.
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OUTPUT: KNOWLEDGE

HCP IDENTIFICATION

HCPs authenticated probabilistically given shift away from deterministic IDs (cookies). Only HCPs active across all 3 independent vectors were identified as target cohort; independent 3rd party audits confirmed 88-96% model accuracy^{2,3} despite residual risks associated with probabilistic approaches

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Validated, accurate cohort identification supports robust specialty and stage-level analyses 

Probabilistic cohort targeting 3-vector (V) model

Professional affiliations
Medical associations, conferences, certification authorities

Specialist content consumption
Medical publishers, journals, clinical apps

Clinical resources
Disease/Tx information, indications, contra-indications, interactions, etc.

V1 V2 V3

88-96% accuracy


WHITESPACE DETECTION

Digital patterns were categorized as INT (interaction events); unmet information needs within INT were flagged as Whitespaces (WS)


Stage, specialty and MDT-specific WS identified, characterized and prioritized at scale, providing clarity on where, what, how to intervene

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METHOD LIMITATIONS

**WS ≠ CAUSALITY**


WS represents unmet informational demand, **not causal Tx effects or clinical outcomes**

**TEMPORALITY**

Short data processing window (~90 days) may **bias toward seasonal or campaign activity** over sustained demand

**RESIDUAL RISKS**

Residual blind spots from untracked digital activity (~15%) and probabilistic 3-vector model may affect precision

**OPEN WEB BIAS**

Captures **organic demand only**; excludes closed networks, social and paid media, and offline behaviors