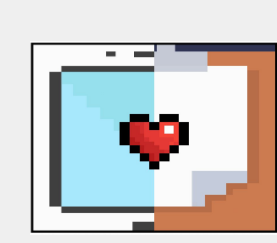


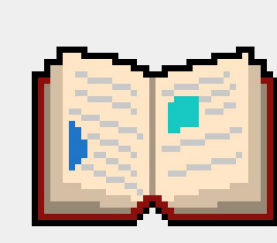
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Research Focus in Medical Informatics in Saudi Arabia

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Definitions



Medical Informatics

- "Medical informatics is a rapidly developing **scientific** field that deals with the storage, retrieval, and optimal use of biomedical **information, data, and knowledge for problem solving and decision making.**" (Blois, M.S., and E.H. Shortliffe. in Medical Informatics: Computer Applications in Health Care, 1990, p. 20.). Dr. likes this definition. Problem solving: coming up with solutions for complicated situations and cases resulting in innovation.
 - "Medical **informatics** is the application of computers, communications and information technology and systems to all fields of medicine - medical care, medical **education** and medical **research.**" definition by MF Collen (MEDINFO '80, Tokyo, later extended).
 - This definition focuses in technology more. Medical informatics isn't about info. technology or info. system, it's about data, info, knowledge.
 - Medical informatics is a new field, however academically & scientifically has been their for a few decades.
 - The main purpose for medical informatics is problem solving
- Remember, informations is the processing of data.
-Knowledge is the interpretation and understanding of information and data.

Data

- "data are numbers, words or images that have yet to be organised or analysed to answer a specific question" (Audit Commission, 2007).
- What makes numbers, words and images all data? rawness. No exact meaning or context.

Information

Information is the result of processing, manipulating and/or organising data or combinations of data to answer question.

Knowledge

- Data, information and knowledge are not the same.
- Data, in itself is not knowledge, nor is information. Data is without a meaningful relation to anything else" (Bellinger, 2004).
- Knowledge: is the understanding and interpretation of information and its settings within a meaningful context.
- "Knowledge Involves interpreting information received, adding relevance and context to clarify the insights the information contains" (Audit Commission, 2007)
- There are numerous theories existence regarding not only the creation of knowledge, but also the different types of knowledge that exist.
- Cook and Brown (1999) define four types of knowledge: individual/explicit; individual/tacit; group/explicit; group/tacit. Skipped by doctor.
- Knowledge is the full utilization of information and data, with the potential of people's skills, competencies,...(Grey, 2009*7)

Definitions

Environment public health KM			
	Data	Information	Knowledge
Asthma	Number of hospital visits due to asthma	Asthma case data organized by geographic location, population, etc.	Understanding of the times and places to alert asthma patients due to risks posed by air quality
Air Quality	Ambient air quality monitoring data	Air quality measurements organized by geographic location and time.	

Doc Notes (438) If we look at asthma for example:

1. The NO. of hospital visits have no meaning by itself.
2. Process it by location, population, gender & time > so we have information.
3. Interpretation of info give knowledge & show us how time & gender are related to asthma risk factors & prognosis.

Why Knowledge In Health Care

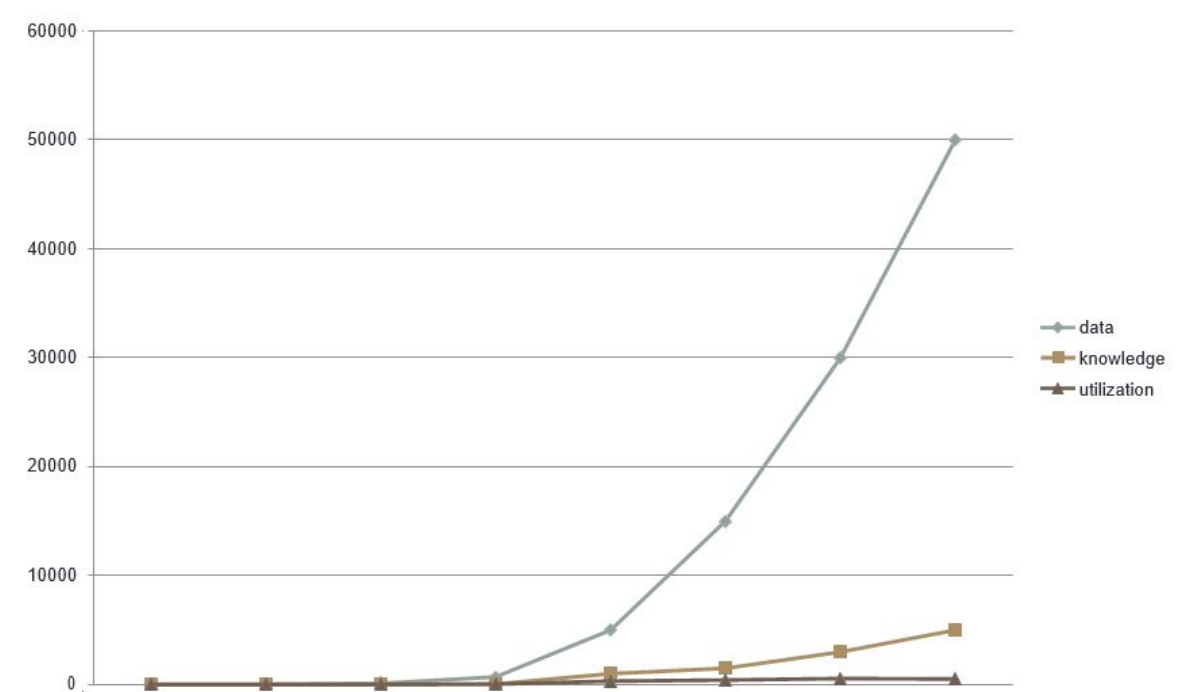
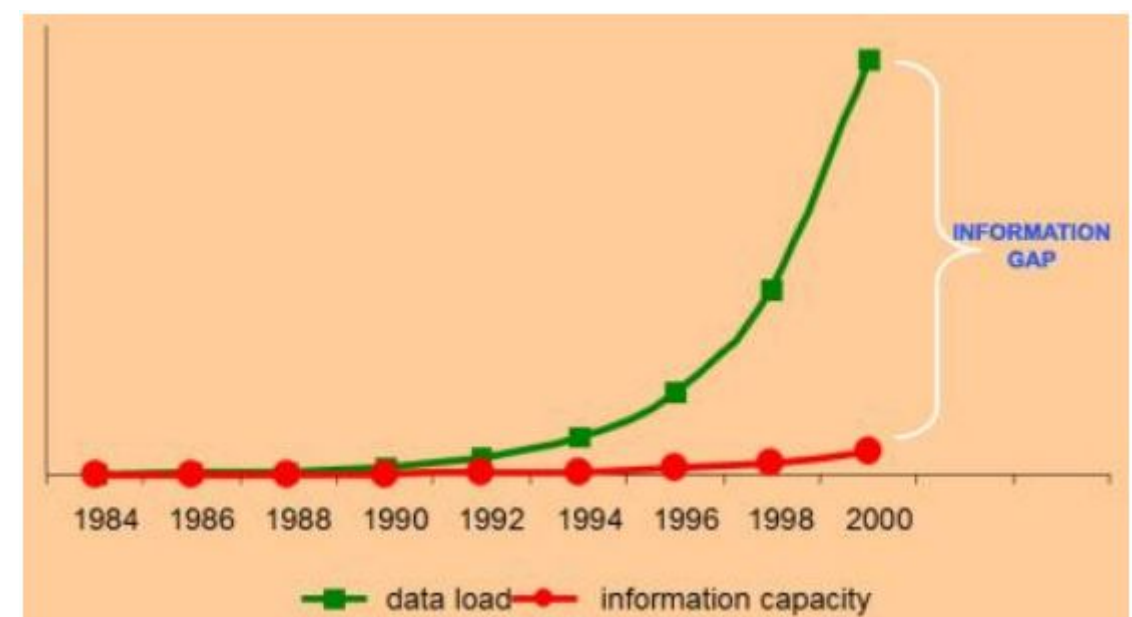
Flood Information

Huge gap in data acquisition and Information is the knowledge capacity

- In **First Chart** We've 2 curves, the green curve represents increased in No & amount of data from Pt file or other resources. While the red curve represents how much we're analyzing & getting useful info out of these data.
- In the **Second Chart** we've 2 curves also, the gray one show the accumulation of data with time. While the brown one shows how much we're doing interpretation.
- There's a gap because we're having data, info & knowledge but we're doing the minimal utilization.
- The informatics comes & try to fill these gap by using data, info & knowledge for CDSS, Pt safety, researches & medical services.

Data - Knowledge Utilization

- Institute of Medicine (IOM) at 1998-1999 estimated that around 98,000 patients die each year as a consequence of preventable errors. Likewise, a study of two UK hospitals found that 11% of admitted patients experienced adverse events of which 48% of these events were most likely preventable if the right knowledge was applied **at the right time**. Knowledge is there, but we're not applying it, if we apply it we'll be able to prevent about 50% of these errors.
- The under-utilization of healthcare knowledge contributes to improper clinical decisions, medical errors, under-utilization of resources and raise in healthcare delivery costs.



Examples of research in medical informatics

Evidence based medicine (EBM)

Definition

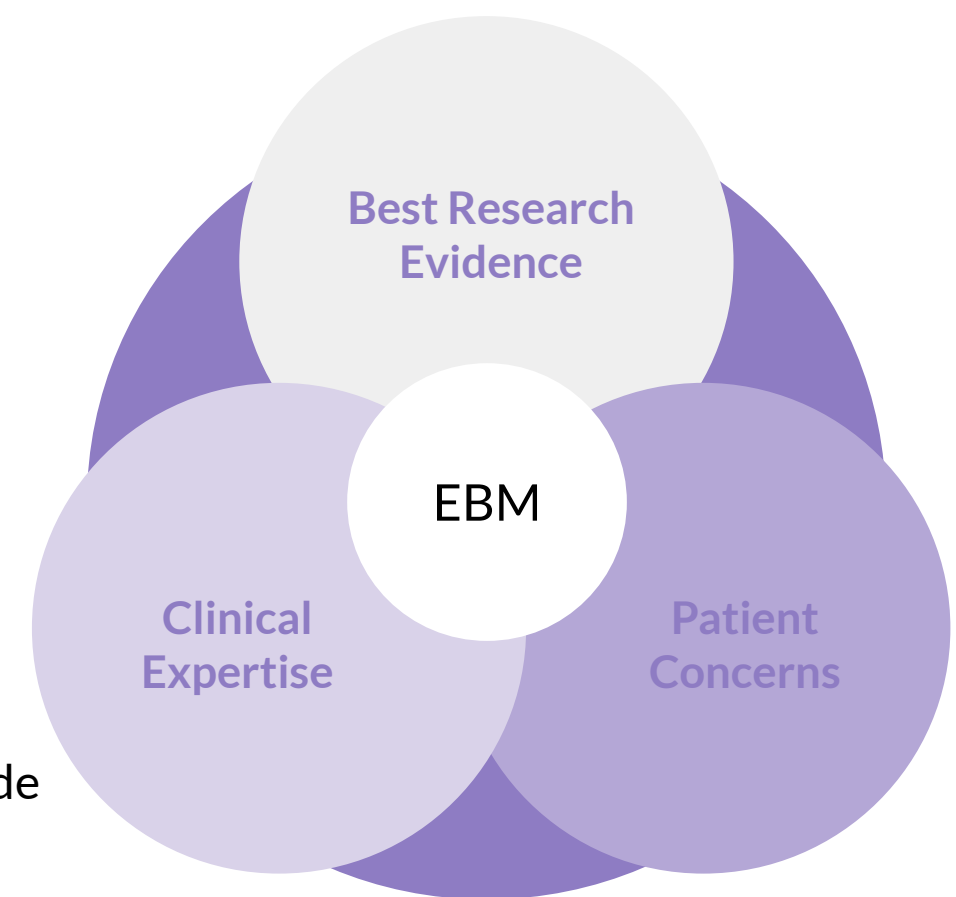
Is the integration of best research evidence with clinical expertise and patient values. Best research evidence isn't necessarily the latest.

History of EBM:

The name of EBM appeared in 1992 by group led by Gordon Guyatt at McMaster University in Canada. Since then the number of articles about evidence based practice has grown exponentially from one publication in 1992 to about 1000 in 1998 and international interest has led to the development of six evidence based journals that summarize the most relevant studies in clinical practice and have a combined worldwide circulation of over 175000.

(438)Doc Asked : What is the difference between EBM and traditional medicine (current practice) ?

The Answer : The main diff is that they're not referring to the latest best research. We use different tools (UpToDate and BMG) and then they have research like clinical trials, cohort studies that practitioners refer to for the best diagnosis and treatment.



Literature Searching

Main benefits:

Can improve the treatment of medical inpatients, even those already receiving evidence-based treatment.

Example of a research: to understand the value of EBM

- Random sample of 146 inpatients cared for by 33 internal medicine attending physicians. The physicians were asked to diagnose patients without going back to the literature
- After physicians committed to a specific diagnosis and treatment plan, investigators performed standardized literature searches and provided the search results to the attending physicians.
- Attending physicians **changed treatment** for 23 (18%) of the 130 eligible patients as a result of the literature searches.

Dr's Notes (438)

- The current practice is looking mainly to expertise not to Pt (by taking the history, examinations, lab analysis and ultrasound and having the Pts values as a main concern and by looking to the best practice). It shouldn't be the latest it should be the best but most of the time the latest is the best.
- EBM works and searches on the level of info & knowledge.
- Google scholar is not just a search engine, it's an index.
- Literature is the previous researches about specific question.
 - o The Question based on Hx that we collected from patients & clinical expertise.
 - o We search for knowledge NOT data.
 - o Literature is more important and accurate decision.
 - o You're not going to search literature and leave patient so you use structured knowledge/database. The tool of EBM they have a structured databases that easily that you easily search for your questions and gives you the most relevant questions. And for that they train physicians how to write questions in the best way.

Examples of research in medical informatics

Medical Records (The Accenture study)

Objectives

The Accenture survey asked physicians about the extent to which they used 12 different “functions” of EMR and HIS such as electronic entry of patient notes, electronic referrals, electronic ordering and prescribing and communicating with other physicians or patients via secure email.

Methodology

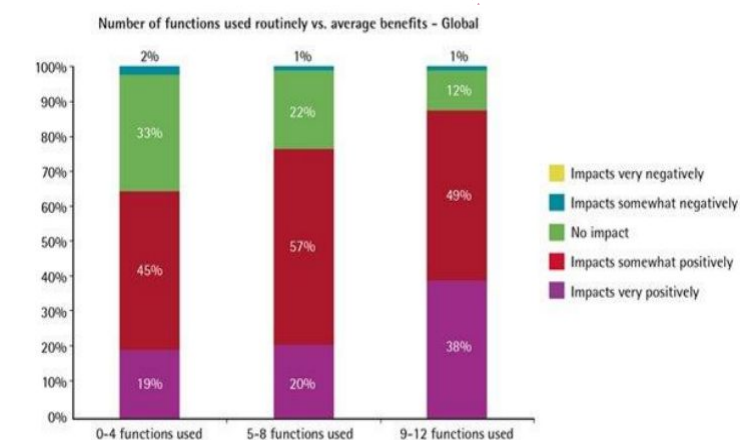
By Jim Burke, Managing Director, Accenture UK Health Industry Published Friday, 3 February 2012. Research among more than 3,700 doctors in eight countries reveals ripe opportunities to accelerate broad healthcare IT initiatives, according to a new survey from Accenture

Findings

- The findings clearly show that the broadest, fastest path to integrated, effective health practices requires outreach, education and changing mindsets.
- Results showed that physicians who are routine users of a wider range of healthcare IT functions have a more positive attitude towards these technologies. On average across all the countries, as physicians start to use more “functions” the more positive they are about the benefits.
- Majority of doctors surveyed believe that healthcare IT does provide some common top benefits, including:
 - 1- Better access, quality data for clinical research (70.9%). **Quality of handwriting description.**
 - 2- Improved coordination of care (69.1 %) **by sharing your knowledge/opinion/ data with others.**
 - 3- Reduction in medical errors (66 %).
 - 4- Average score of (61%).
- In England, physicians perceived other healthcare IT benefits to include: increased speed of access to health services to patients (55.3 %). reduced number of unnecessary interventions and procedures (52 %).

Challenges

- The main challenge of moving from paper to electronic records is **Resistance of professionals. They don't want to change the way they're practicing.**
- If the student use the traditional database (books), they'll face problems if the doctor ask him to use electronic database (blackboard).
- The graph shows that the more you use the more positive impact you get.



Veterans Health

Veterans Health, which runs the largest and one of the most cost-effective healthcare systems in the United States. The VA has been employing tele-health tools for more than 11 years. “The VA is absolutely a pioneer in the use of telehealth,” They published a study linking telehealth and 17,000 VA patients with chronic disease that showed a tremendous impact – nearly a 20 % reduction in hospital admissions.” **Less burden because you reach patients by telemedicine before they come to you. Improvement of quality of life is a result of telemedicine.**

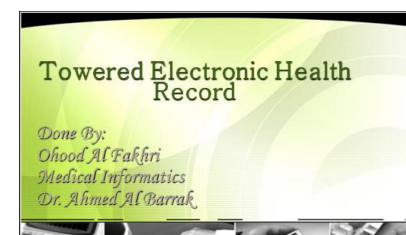
Students Examples

(438): Qs will not come from the following examples

This study was conducted in 2005, researchers were trying to see the impact of using wireless? or mobile applications Now, since 2010 mobile applications started to be one of the main sectors in healthcare. Every device you now buy has mHealth. Steps, heart rate, your personal medical record. The study method was cross sectional, it aimed to determine opinions and attitudes of physicians when using mobile health and what's their expectations.



2005-2006. Challenges of EHR one of the barriers: too many players, You have ministry of health, university hospitals, private sector, national guard hospitals. So u have many players that you need to coordinate between them. Lack of infrastructure was also a barrier.



BARRIERS AND ISSUES

Many players and many approaches

while the expansion of health care providers and services has been a factor behind the call for EHRs and improved sharing of health information, it also means that their implementation requires support from many stakeholders. An individual may now receive care from several physicians and other providers at once. Policies to govern the implementation and use of EHRs will therefore require the support of many different provider groups.

BARRIERS AND ISSUES

Lack of a health network architecture

Privacy issue:

- What information should be included in the EHR?
- Who should have access to the EHR? Which information in the EHR and under what circumstances should the EHR be shared with other health providers? How will a patient be able to access his or her own EHR?
- In what instances can the information in an EHR be used for secondary purposes (e.g. research, administration)? When is consent from the patient required?

Information Security Behavior among Nurses in an Academic Hospital

Abstract

Background: High quality healthcare services can be achieved only by utilizing information technology. Information security is an ongoing challenge and security breaches compromise data and information security practices of nurses at the King Saud University Hospital in Saudi Arabia.

Method: A random sample of nurses (n=122, 123 females and 24 males, age 40-60 of female) was interviewed.

Results: The results show that while 97% of nurses agree that the principle of password authentication is important, their behavior in practice is completely inconsistent with the principle. This is clearly reflected by the fact that 88% of respondents have a password composed of either digits or letters alone. No user has a complex password of digits, letters, and symbols. Only 5% of nurses have a user password with a minimum of eight characters.

More than 80% of hospital nurses uses shared computers.

This study was conducted in King Faisal hospital. This research was about using information technology in patients education.

Information Technology in Medical and Patient Education

Abstract

Background: The main goals of medical education are to equip students and graduate clinical with the required knowledge and to provide them with the strategies and skills for applying it in practice. The field of medical informatics (MI) is an essential component in the current and future medical education. It is considered as an important medical domain and a multidisciplinary field.

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Medical Informatics in Undergraduate Medical Study

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METHODS

A total of 60 medical staff from different specialty (Physician = 21, Nurses = 25, Health Educator = 8, others = 6; Total N = 60, Female = 33, Male = 27) responded to the study questionnaire in KFHS&RC.

The questionnaire was designed in six sections.

RESULTS

Barriers of conducting patient education in %

Barriers	%
Language barrier	13.3
Lack of time	20.0
Lack of plans for educational activities	1.7
Lack of financial resources	1.7
Lack of cooperative patient	11.7
All of above	20.0
Other	1.7

CONCLUSION

In conclusion medical staff had a very positive attitude towards applying patient education information system. However, the language barrier and lack of time were considered as the biggest barriers for conducting patient education. Accordingly the results showed that there is a significant need for computer training.

Incidence of Prescribing Errors Among Handwritten Prescriptions and Electronic Prescription System

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Assessment of legibility and completeness of handwritten and electronic prescriptions

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Researchers went to the pharmacy twice a day for 5 days. And they checked every prescription. Every prescription must include generic name, dosage, MRN, patient name, gender. (Some physicians don't add all required elements). In addition to that, researchers also gave the prescriptions they obtained to 2 pharmacists and asked them to evaluate the clarity of the prescriptions. Researchers then repeated the same process with E-prescription. It was found that handwritten prescriptions were responsible for as much as 37% of medication errors.

Assessment of Skills and Attitude of Dental Students and Interns toward e-learning in KSU

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Relationship between Patients' Understanding of Treatment Plan and Medication Compliance

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82% of the patients expressed their desire to be included in their management plan.

Evaluating factors affecting the implementation of evidence based medicine in primary healthcare centers in Dubai

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ATTITUDE OF GENERAL PRACTITIONERS TOWARD ONLINE CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

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ABSTRACT

Background: Online CME is obtaining continuing medical education through the internet, a relatively new and popular way of learning which is becoming increasingly popular in recent years. Objective: To study the attitude of general practitioners (GPs) toward online CME, and to investigate barriers toward online CME. Methods: cross-sectional study using a structured questionnaire that was distributed to primary care physicians working in National Guard Hospital in Riyadh, KSA. Results: 40% of our physicians are using online CME, mainly because it is accessible, saves time, and serves their needs (89%, 79% and 73% respectively). None of our respondents evaluated it, and more than 80% recommended online CME. In addition, 90% of participating physicians believed it is important for them, and 90% of them wanted to have more about online CME. Only 10% knew the local regulations for accepting and reporting online CME. On the other hand, the main barriers to online CME listed by the lack of: 1- information about it (85%), 2- time (80%), 3- governmental and organizations recognition and approval (87%) as well as computer skills (87%). No significant relation was observed between the use of online CME and other variables such as age, sex, qualifications and years since last degree, and training for computer skills. However, the study showed significant difference in deciding which is more informative online or traditional CME between physicians who used it and those who didn't (P<0.05). Conclusion: Main barriers have identified are lack of information, time, resources, lack of computer skills, and governmental, organizational recognition and approval. However, most of the physicians think it is valuable and want to have more about it.

Examples cont..

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Designing e-Learning Systems in Medical Education:

Abstract
Purpose
This study represents a case study of King Saud University Hospitals' (KSUH) approach in designing a comprehensive medical e-learning system. This system takes into consideration the special requirements of medical e-learning and how these requirements are best met.

Methodology

Introduction
For ages, education has been centered on attending classes day after day, listening to a lecturer who provides the necessary information, and going through exams to assess knowledge. Education focused on the material itself rather than the "learners" and the differences between their capabilities and learning skills (Chen Kinshuk, Wang, 2005).

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Abstract
Student is becoming the key focus of the educational process, where students' creativity and interactions are highly encouraged. Student role changed to be knowledge hunter rather than receiver, and teaching, while, is becoming a peripheral activity. Several active and new methods of learning has evolved in the last decades aimed to utilizing the information and benefits of such systems including exchange of expert e-courses if the development efforts are guaranteed, the availability of the skills required for the development of the current study, the evaluation focused on the feasibility of the LMS systems and a combination of several frameworks to enhance the evaluation process. All three LMS systems are excellent tools for student interactions and activities. Several

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Evaluation of Users Information Security Practices at King Saud University Hospitals

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Abstract
This paper investigates the security behavior and awareness of employees at King Saud University hospitals, Saudi Arabia. Design-based approach (DBA) was conducted at King Saud University Hospital (KSUH) Riyadh, King Saudi University Hospital (KSUH) and King Abdul Aziz University Hospital (KAUH). Data collection was done by a series of questionnaires distributed to a random sample of 200 employees (100 administrative staff, 100 physicians, 100 nurses and 100 medical staff). The questionnaire used to address the security behavior of users and explore their awareness on security issues. In total, 200 questionnaires were returned to provide the required data and perform all data analysis. Comparison was done statistically using SPSS 17.0.

Findings Results show that significant differences were reported between employee categories with respect to security awareness scores with the finding of employees' awareness of password between other staff, and change of password after being hacked to others is the least reported by the users. In all these dimensions, users still appeared to be the user concerned group from which information security training should be targeted.

Conclusions

- It is clearly proved that the technical security measures alone can NOT prevent security breaches.
- Insider threats, are difficult to detect and manage because they primarily emerge from the authorized user malicious practices
- Which emphasized that awareness training and education of users on information security issues are very important for achieving a reliable level of information security in any organizations

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Operating Room Informatics: An Approach to Managing and Utilizing Patients' Surgical Data

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Abstract
Background: Operating rooms (ORs), containing a variety of tools and equipment, have become more complex. Yet, most OR information systems operate in an isolated fashion with little or no attention to data management and utilization. This study proposes a new approach to the design of an integrated OR informatics approach offering automated storage and management of data before, during, and after an operation, medical segmentation and tracking of patient surgical case data using a well-structured database design for future retrieval and utilization of the data, an OR educational medical library and support for surgeons and medical teams to better control OR instruments.

Methods: This study discusses the special requirements and challenges of ORs and

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Assessment of Medical Informatics Skills of Undergraduate Medical Students at College of Medicine, King Saud University

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E-health quality and key performance indicators

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Abstract
E-health includes a wide variety of health and clinical activities that have traditionally characterized tele-health, tele-medicine, and public health applications which are mainly delivered through the Internet. Even though, evaluation of e-Health has been somewhat disillusioning and not yet evaluated on a large scale. Therefore an assessment required to evaluate all aspects of performance that are important and significant for health care through standardized process, tools, and credited key performance indicators (KPIs). The objectives of the current study are to search for the principle elements of E-healthcare delivered over the from informational, education "products" to direct services, non-professionals, business themselves. Further include health and clinical activities (electronic) based, and/or delin networks or the Internet [1-5] term for an emerging field in health informatics, public health services on one hand and information

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INTEGRATION OF HOSPITAL SYSTEMS INTO MEDICAL EDUCATION: A BLENDED LEARNING APPROACH

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ABSTRACT
The E-learning tools, facilitate and extend students learning experiences beyond the classroom. It has evolved from a material based process, where the instructor (teacher) focused on presenting information, to a student (learner) centered process where students are able to learn at their own pace. Furthermore, role has changed from being a receiver to a being a learner and the instructor's role has changed to being guiding students to acquire knowledge and improve their learning skills [1]. The focus has shifted from instructor-centered model to a learner-centered one, offering stronger learning motivation and interactivity. Interactivity is learner interest and provides a means for personalized learning and reinforcement. Evidence suggests that it is more efficient in most cases because learners gain knowledge, skills, and attitudes faster than through instructor-based methods. This efficiency translates into improved motivation and performance. In addition,

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Assessment of physician's knowledge, perception and willingness of telemedicine in Riyadh region, Saudi Arabia

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Acceptance of Tele-Dental Health Education Among Head and Neck Cancer Patients in Saudi Arabia

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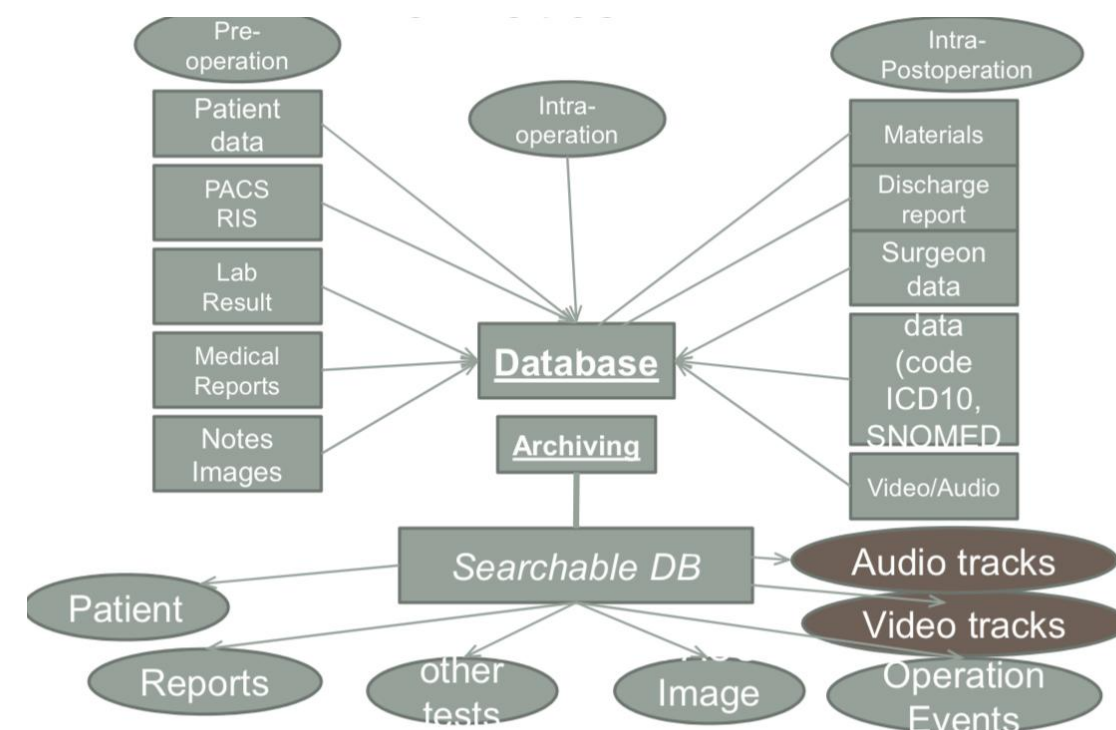
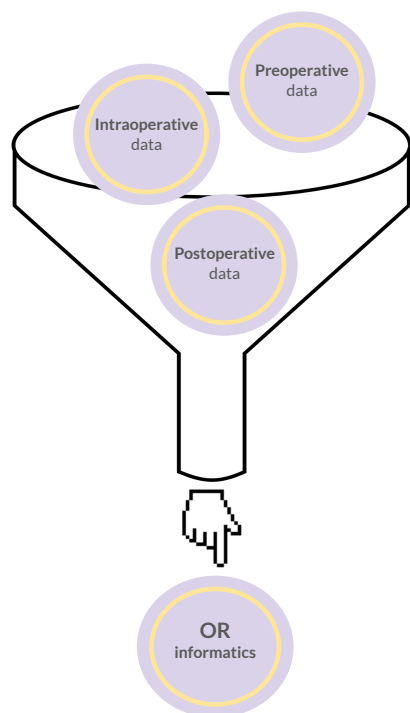
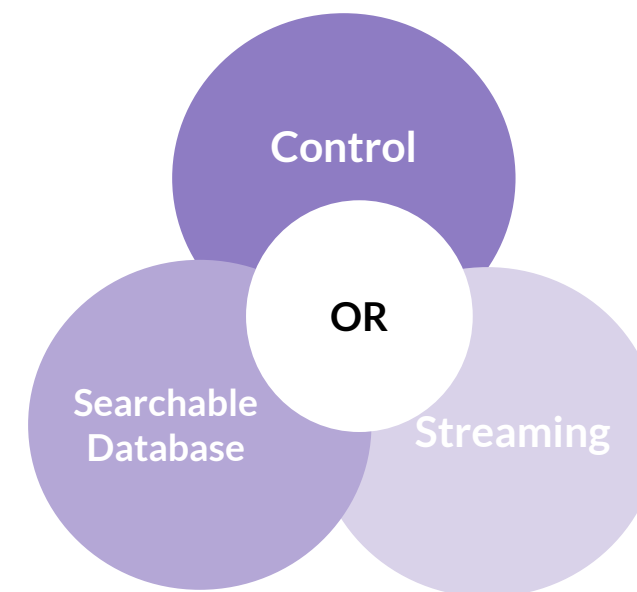
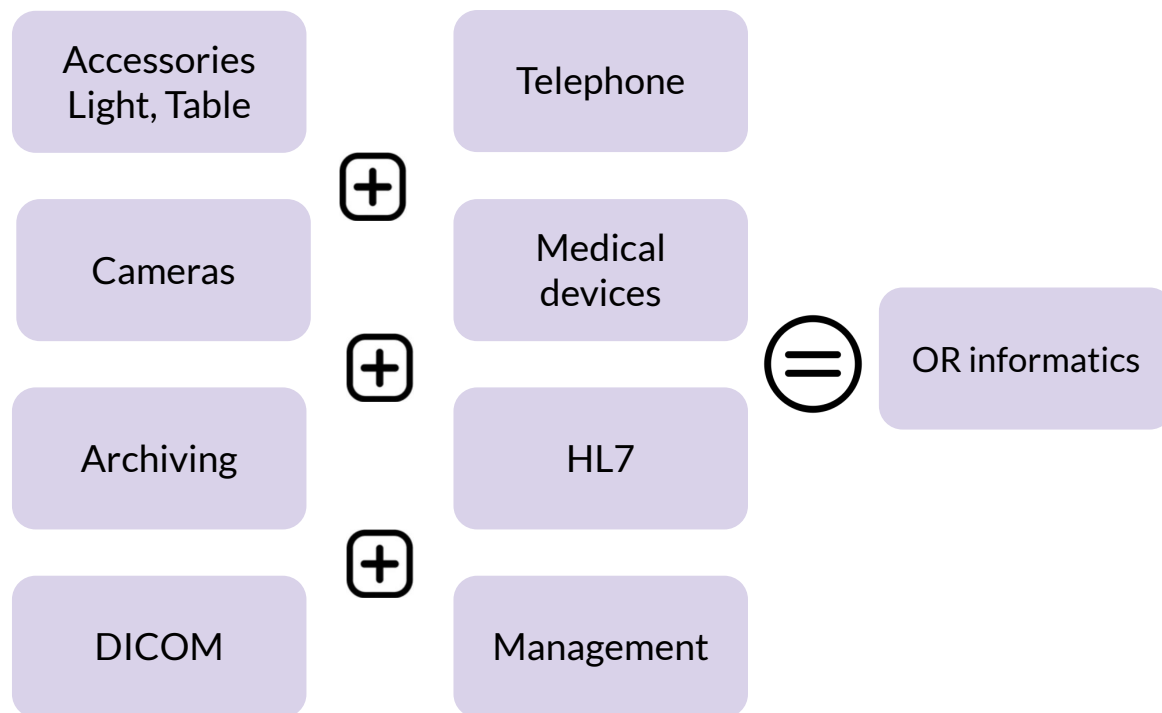
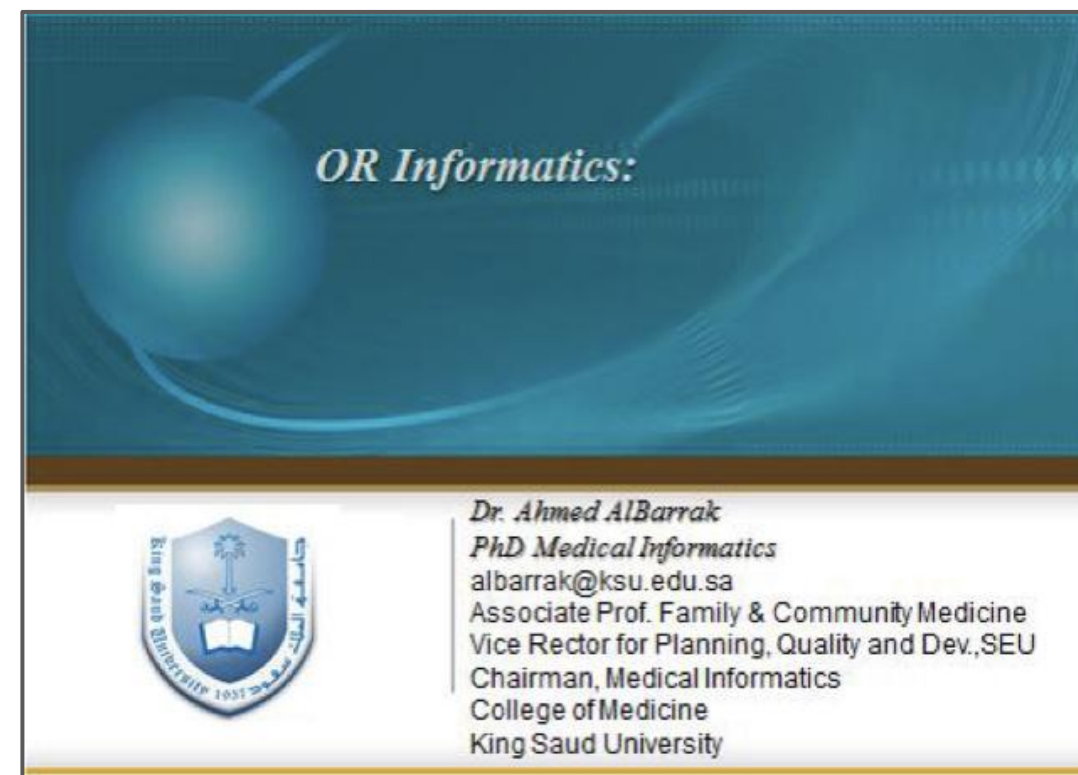
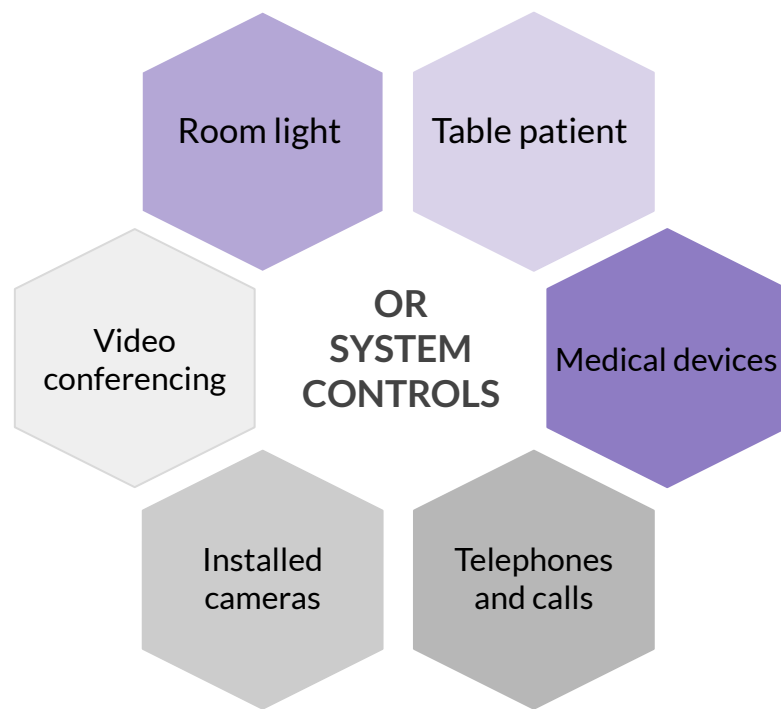
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What is next?

KM research in healthcare

Among the most relevant areas to link with knowledge and research in health care are:

- Research, applying research results through access and utilization of knowledge
- Human resources management.
- Data mining.
- Machine Learning and Data Analysis.
- Probabilistic and Statistical Models.
- Symbolic Learning and Rule Induction Symbolic learning.

Areas of research in healthcare

- Evidence based medicine.
- Clinical decision support systems.
- Public health and epidemiology.
- Consumer public health.
- Data mining.
- Physiological modeling and simulation.
- Artificial intelligence.

Evaluation of the Effectiveness of a Structured and Interactive Patient Health Education Model in the Control of Chronic Diseases in Saudi Arabia

- Diabetes and cardiovascular diseases are a major cause of death and disability worldwide.
- The incidence of chronic diseases has increased in the KSA, and will continue to do so if no immediate actions are undertaken.
- Health education is an integral component of self management programs & an important element for control & management of chronic diseases.
- Patients involved have demonstrated better health outcomes and satisfaction, with reduced health costs.
- The widespread use and popularity of technology & communication infrastructures in KSA & globally, can be effectively utilized.
- Taking into consideration the available health information sources and patient preferences, information and communication technologies are well positioned to overcome most of the limitations around providing timely, convenient, accessible and interactive HE.



Project objectives

- To assess the current status of diabetes & cardiovascular disease-related patient HE programs and activities in various health care settings.
- To assess the current status of diabetes & cardiovascular disease-related patient HE, regarding knowledge, attitudes, practice, satisfaction and efficacy.
- To assess patient literacy, attitudes, practice and preferences with regard to technologies, i.e. text, audio, images, animation, video and interactive content forms.
- To design and validate structured HE models for patient with diabetes and cardiovascular disease based on the findings of the first three objectives; and
- To convert and assess selected validated HE models into interactive informatics materials.

Artificial Doctors and artificial intelligence in clinical practice

- Artificial Doctors is and will be much criticized. We'll see all sorts of press wisdom decrying "they don't work" or "look at all the silly things they come up with. However it is getting better and better and will go from providing "bionic assistance" to second opinions to assisting doctors to providing first opinions and as referral computers (with complete and accurate synopses and all possible hypotheses of the hardest cases) to the best 20% of the human breed doctors. And what's more?!!!

Applications and Examples

- Ford Motor Co. & Microsoft and health care start-up healthrageous to roll out a pretty interesting healthcare product: A car equipped to monitor vital signs and feed that data wirelessly into an electronic medical record to watch out for any abnormalities or warning signs. Or, as Ford describes the new product, it's a "doctor in your car."
- The prototype that Ford has shown off doesn't have the skills of a physician in diagnosing diseases (there is, however, another machine for that: IBM supercomputer Dr. Watson). But it does look like the kind of device that could support those diagnoses, a non-obtrusive way to capture a lot of health-care data that currently goes unmonitored.

Mobile health

- M-health or Mobile health is a term used for the practice of medicine and public health, supported by mobile devices.

The term is mainly used in reference to using mobile communication devices, such as mobile phones, tablets and PDAs, for health services and information.

The mobile Health is a sub-segment of eHealth,

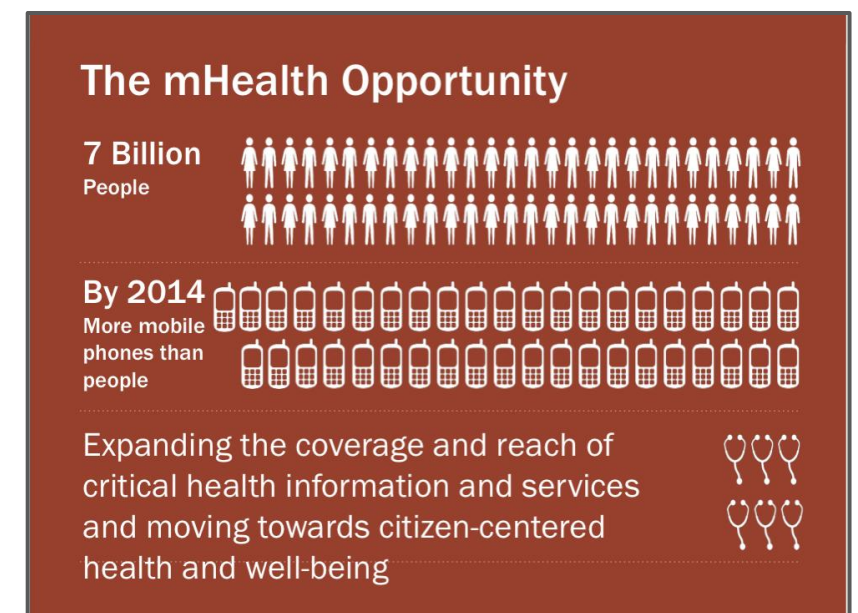
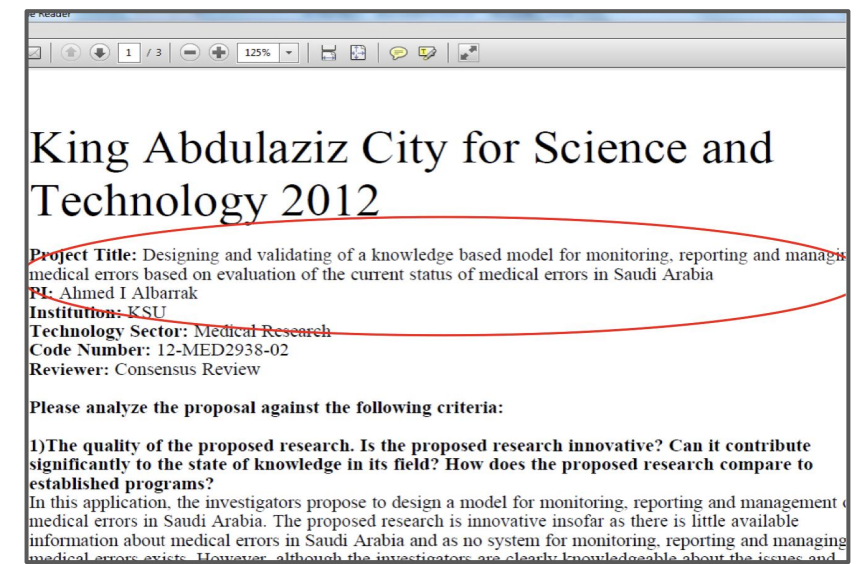
- The mHealth market earned revenues of \$230 million in 2010 and is estimated to reach \$392 million in 2015 in USA, according to a new report from research firm Frost & Sullivan.

Home continuous care

- "Meadville Medical Center is using the remote vital signs monitoring program to improve chronic condition outcomes and ongoing care for patients after discharge from the hospital," Barry Bittman, MD, chief innovation officer at Meadville.
- "As part of our Community Care Network model, the Electronic House Call (EHC) solution will allow our clinicians to remotely monitor our patients' conditions and continue to coordinate their care after they leave the hospital," he adds. "Electronic House Call is designed for this type of program and includes the intuitive technology and rich feature-set we were seeking to support our continuous care objectives, our patients and our own clinicians."
- The EHC remote patient monitoring solution allows patients to return home, while providing for frequent updates of patient data to healthcare providers without a face-to-face visit, Bittman said.

Dr Watson the IBMs supercomputer

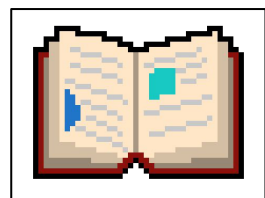
- The computer can analyze about 200 million pages of data in less than three seconds, which could allow physician to more accurately diagnose and treat complex cases. Physicians could, for example, use Watson to consult medical records and the latest research findings for recommendations on treatment.
- FDA Approved?



Mobile is the most Pervasive technology ever invented

Summary

- Data in context are individual facts that have meaning and can be readily understood. They are the raw facts wrapped with meaning, but they are not yet information.
- Knowledge is information that has been retained with an understanding about the significance of that information
- Best Example of the integration of Evidence Based Medicine (EBM) is when healthcare professionals can look up whether Their diagnosis is accurate in reference to a Scientific research.
- The Accenture Study After Surveying the group of doctors on Healthcare Information Technologies (HIT) Reached to conclusions that HIT made it Better access to Health Services and quality data to help clinical research and Patients and Improved coordination of care Also Reduction in medical errors.



Reference summary⁴³⁸

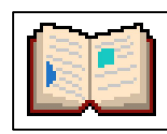
- **Clinical Research Informatics:** the sub-domain of biomedical informatics concerned with the development, evaluation and application of informatics theory, methods and systems to improve the design and conduct of clinical research and to disseminate the knowledge gained.
- **Clinical Research:**
 - (1) **Patient-oriented research:** Research conducted with human subjects (or on material of human origin such as tissues, specimens and cognitive phenomena) for which an investigator (or colleague) directly interacts with human subjects.
Patient-oriented research includes:
 - (a) mechanisms of human disease;
 - (b) therapeutic interventions;
 - (c) clinical trial;
 - (d) development of new technologies.
 - (2) **Epidemiologic and behavioral studies.**
 - (3) **Outcomes research and health services research.**

Examples of focus areas in which CRI researchers and practitioners apply bio- medical informatics theories and methods can include the following:

- Evaluation and modeling of clinical research workflow
- Social and behavioral studies involving clinical research professionals and participants
- Designing optimal human-computer interaction models for clinical research applications
- Improving information capture and data flow in clinical research
- Leveraging data collected in EHRs
- Optimizing site selection, investigator and patient recruitment
- Improving reporting to regulatory agencies
- Enhancing clinical and research data mining, integration, and analysis
- Phenomic characterization of patients for cohort discovery and analytical purposes
- Integrating research findings into individual and population level health care

Clinical Research:

- **historical controls:** can be used for comparison with a group of subjects under study. For example, if a disease is known to have a particular fatality rate, subjects could be given a potentially life-saving treatment and their fatality rate can be measured and compared to past experience.
- **Randomization:** A more rigorous method of establishing comparison groups is through randomization, in which prospective subjects are assigned to different groups (often referred to as **study arms**) and undergo different interventions. Typically, randomization might take into account observable characteristics (such as gender and race) to create balanced groups, especially where the characteristics are known to have some influence
- **control intervention** (for example, the usual treatment for a condition or even no treatment) while one or more other groups receive an **experimental intervention**.



- For example, randomization can include **blinding**, in which the subject, the investigator, or both (as in **double-blinded** studies), are kept unaware of group assignment until after all assessments have been made. This might include the use of a **placebo** for a group receiving no treatment

Phased Randomised Control Trial

- It is important to note that clinical research endeavors exist on a spectrum of scientific activity that is commonly referred to as **clinical and translational research**.
- **T1-type translation:** a process by which **basic science discoveries** are used to design **novel therapies**. Such discoveries are then evaluated during clinical research studies, first pre-clinical and subsequent clinical trial phases.
- **T2-type translation:** involves methods such as those borrowed from implementation science and clinical informatics, and focus on translating the findings of such clinical research studies into common practice

preparatory phase: a protocol document is generated as part of the project development process. The protocol document usually contains background information, scientific goals, aims, hypotheses and research questions to be addressed by the trial

- IRB approval
- Deasable?
- Finding subjects... enrollment

Active phase: the participant receives the therapeutic intervention indicated by their study arm and is actively monitored to enable the collection of study-specific data.

dissemination phase: the results of the study are evaluated and formalized in publications or other knowledge dissemination media, for translation into the next phase of an RCT or into clinical practice.

Validity: One key metric used to assess clinical trial quality is validity, which can be defined both internally and externally.

- **Internal validity** is defined as the minimization of potential biases during the design and execution of the trial
- **External validity** is the ability to generalize study results into clinical care

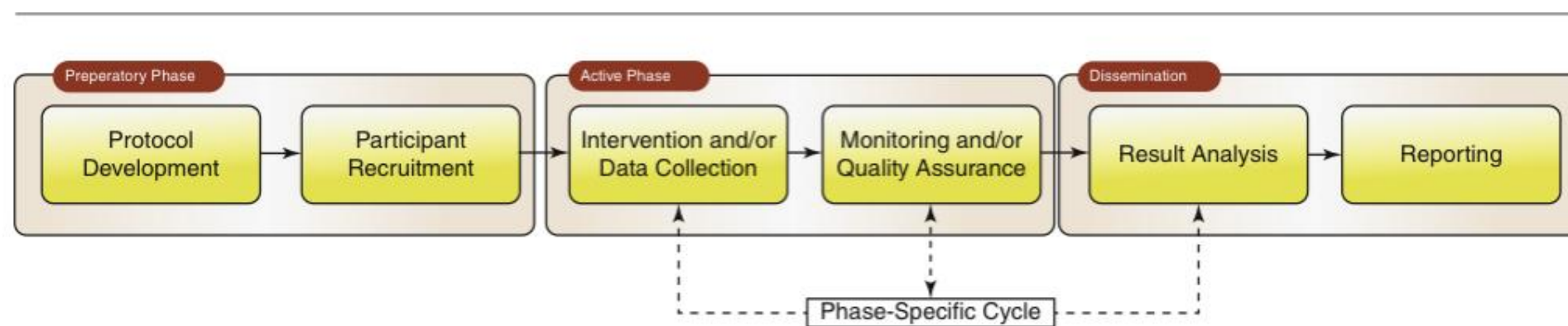
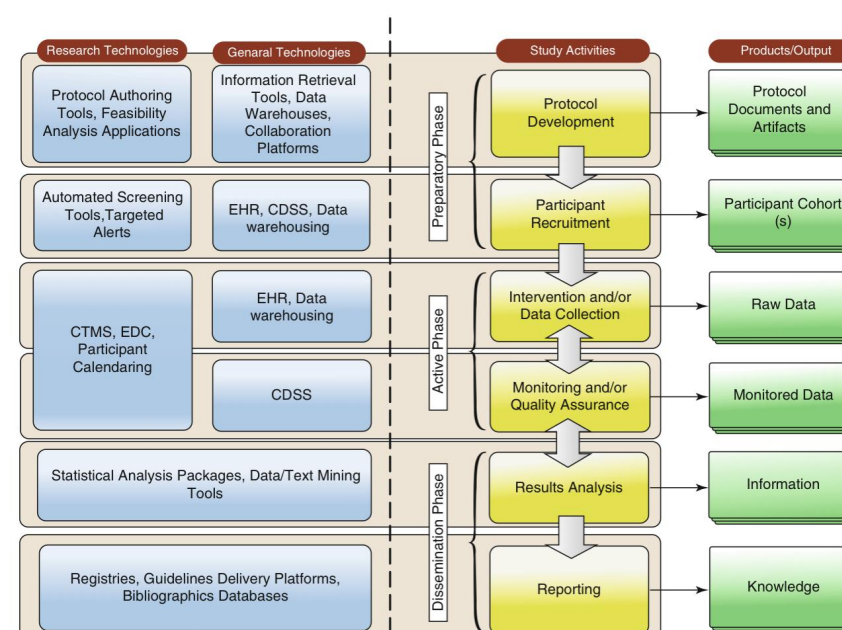
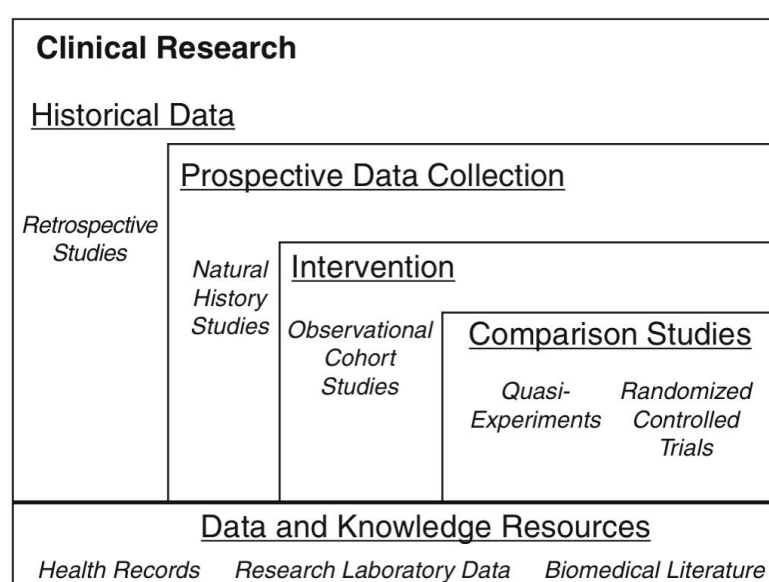


Fig. 26.2 Overview of the clinical research process for Phase I-III trials, divided into three major phases (preparatory, active, dissemination)



MCQs

1- Numbers, words or images that have yet to be organised or analysed to answer a specific question“ is the definition of

- A- Knowledge
- B- Data
- C- Information
- D- Research

2- “the integration of best research evidence with clinical Expertise and patient values” is the definition of

- A-Clinical Datum
- B- Evidence Based Medicine
- C- Clinical Trial
- D- Flood Information

3- The understanding and interpretation of information and its settings within a meaningful context” is the definition of

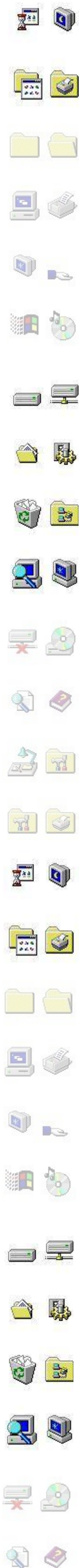
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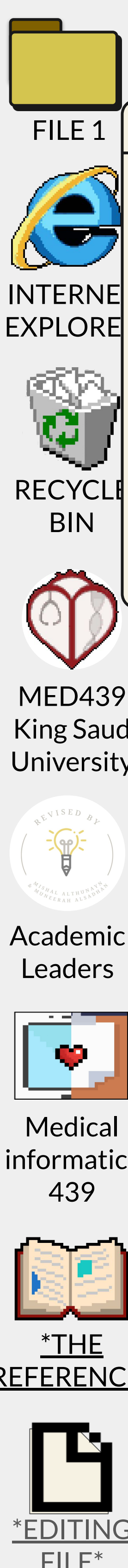
4- A rapidly developing scientific field that deals with the storage, retrieval, and optimal use of biomedical information, data, and knowledge for problem solving and decision making” is the definition of which of the following?

- A-Medical informatics
- B-Health information system
- C-Clinical decision support system
- D-Simulation center

Answers key

1- B 2- B 3- A 4- A






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