



Digital Data Flow: Mission Possible!

Practical approaches for protocol digitalization

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DDF Overview



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Welcome to DDF: Mission Possible!



Look around
you!

Today we have:



Study
Sponsors



Technology
Providers



Sites &
CROs



Health
Authorities



Standard
Setting Org's



Consortia



You are joining us from the following functions:



- Medical Writing
- Clinical Operations
- Data Management
- Information Technology
- Standards & Governance
- Analytics & Reporting
- Regulatory Affairs

What awaits you at DDF: Mission Possible!



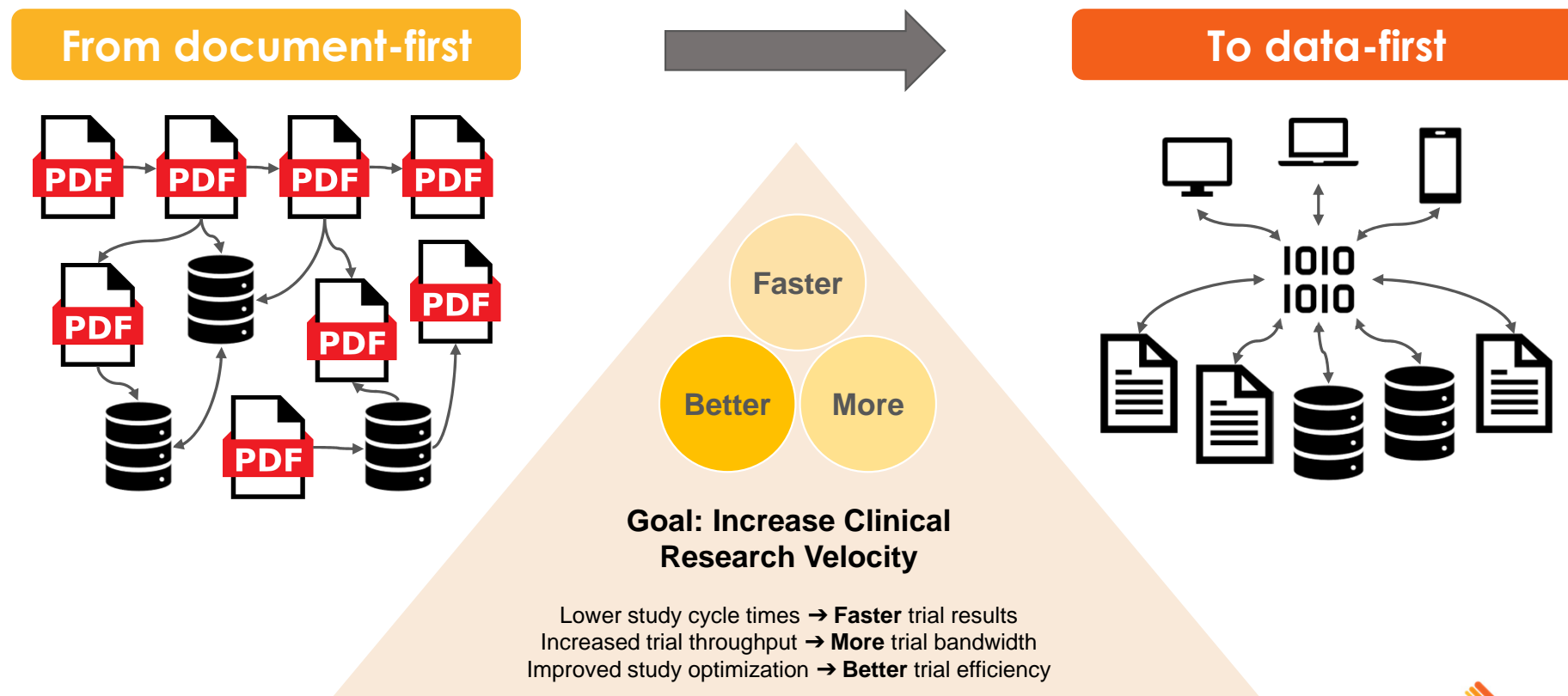
Over the next two days – your
mission, should you choose to
accept...

Participate in two days of the DDF experience -
listening, ideating and collaborating to
understand:

- ✓ what DDF is - the potential and possibility
- ✓ how DDF can help on your data digitalization journey, how others are planning their DDF roadmap and when/where to get started
- ✓ where you can learn more and continue the conversation

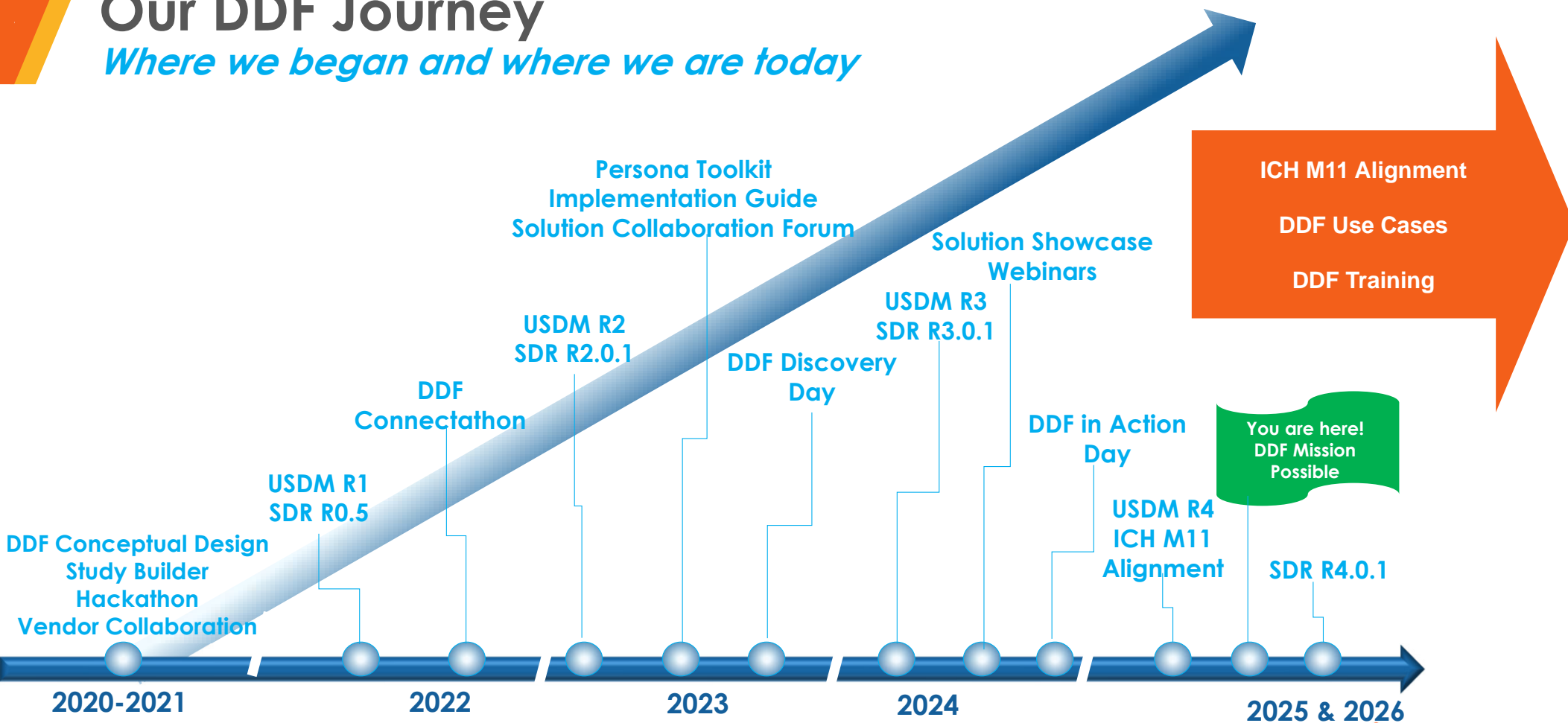
Why DDF? – The Vision

Break the Document Paradigm



Our DDF Journey

Where we began and where we are today



Stable Technology Now Underpins Digital Data Flow

USDM v4.0 launched in June



USDM v4.0
Now Available

Includes:

- USDM Logical Model
- USDM Controlled Terminology
- USDM API
- USDM Conformance Rules
- USDM Implementation Guide



Alignment with ICH M11



Support for complex studies,
interventional & observational studies,
and medical devices



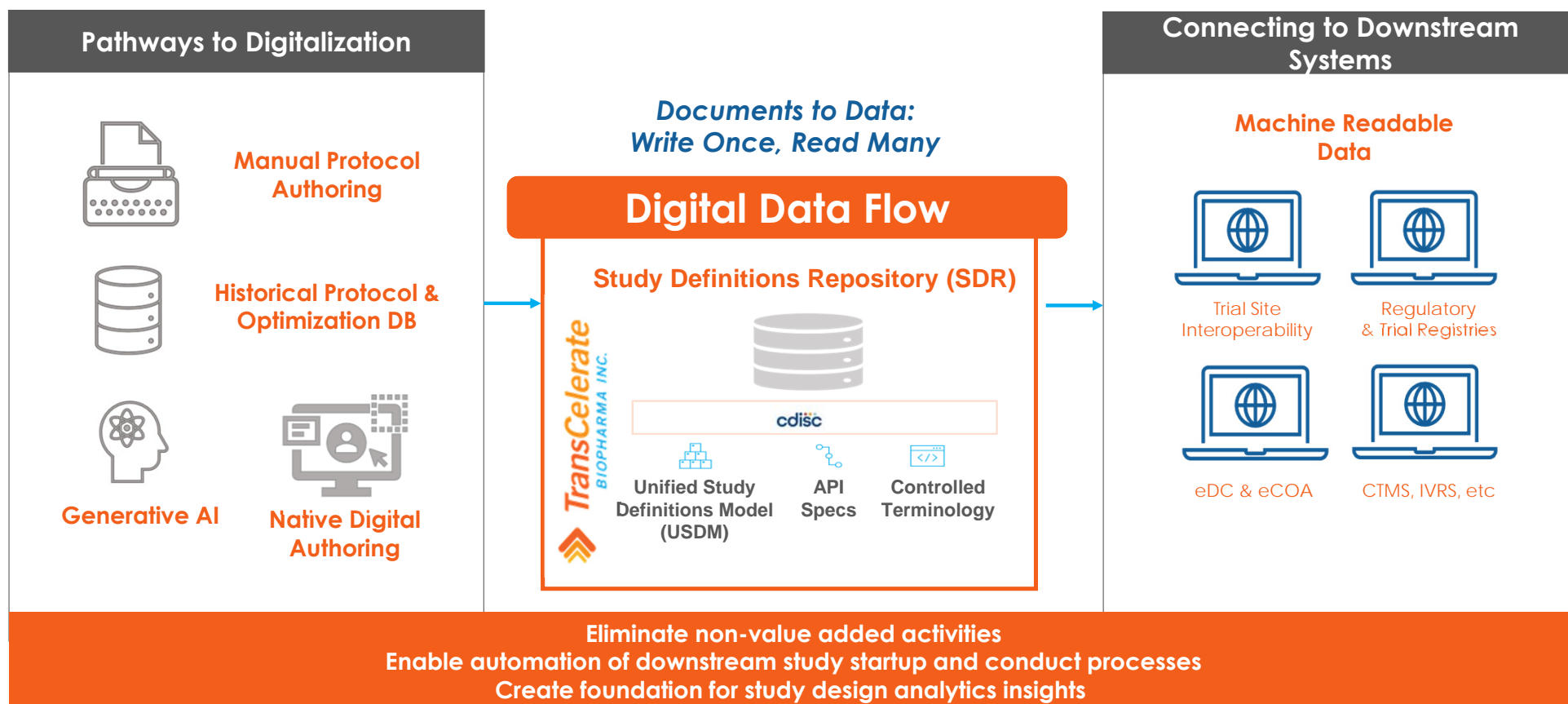
Maximise content re-use and support
for multiple document templates



Model Extension mechanism to
provide flexibility

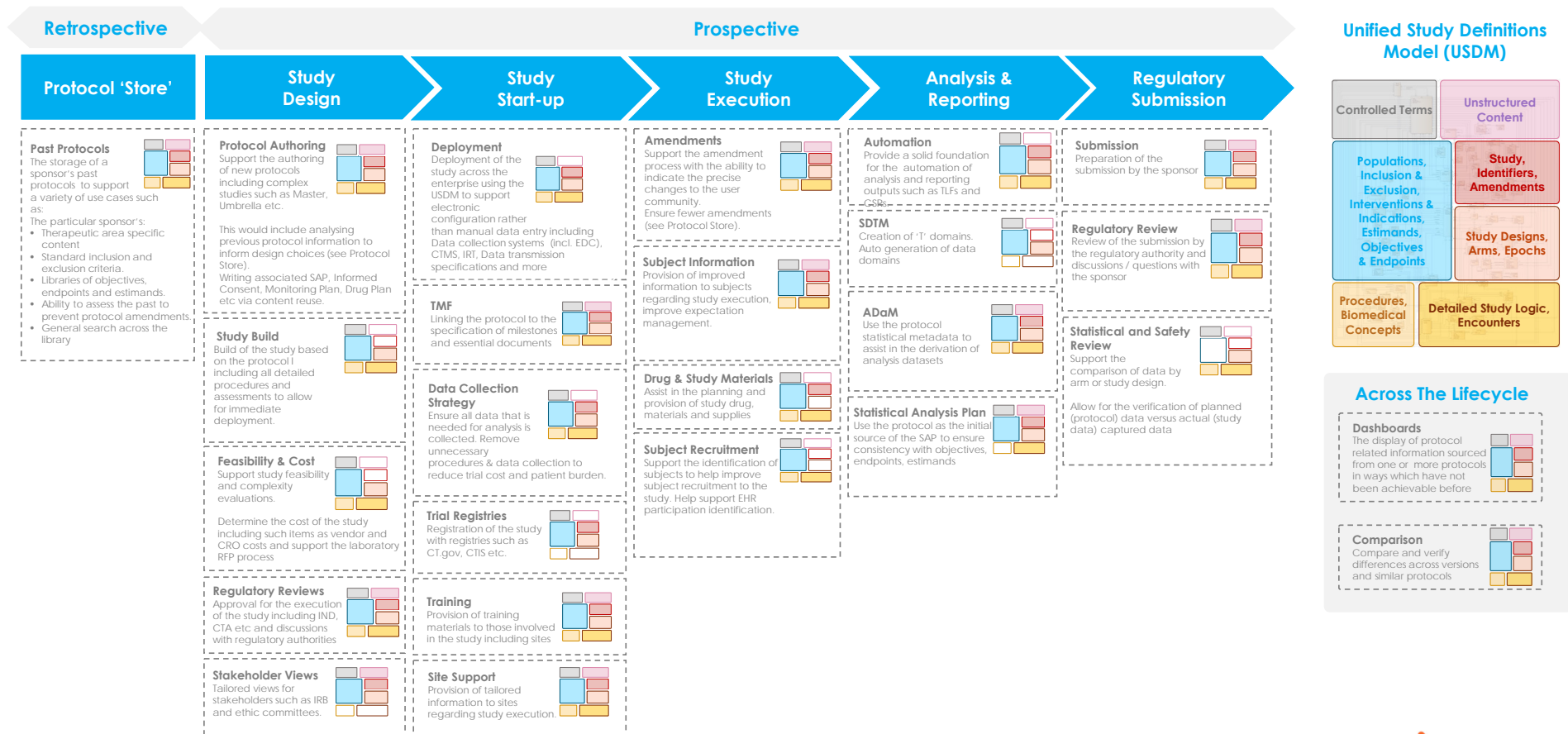
How to Actualize the Vision

Conceptual Design



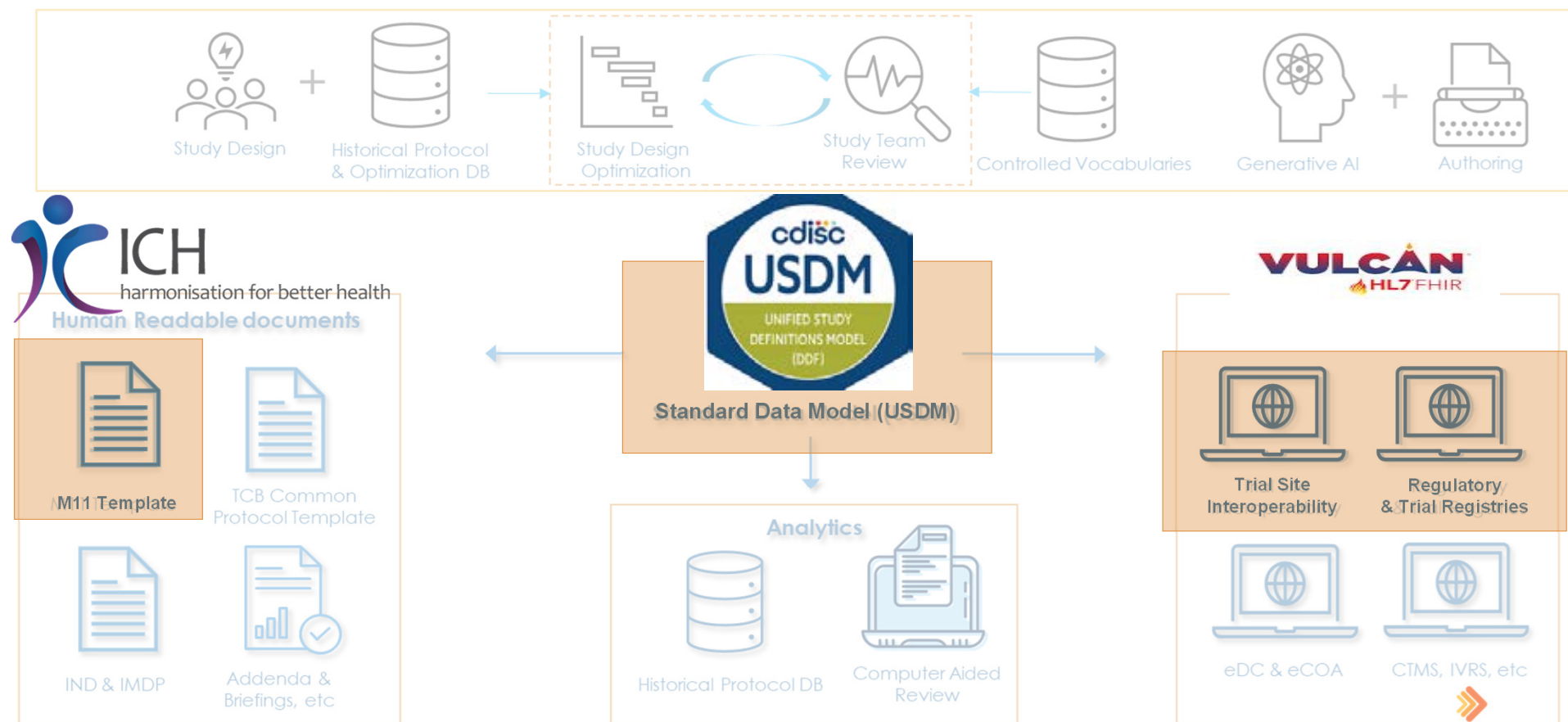
Getting Started: Pathways to Implementation

DDF Use Cases



Multiple Stakeholder Collaboration

CDISC, ICH & HL7-Vulcan



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Strong Engagement from a Growing Tech Provider Community



Technical Provider Engagement
Rapid growth in engagement with technical solution providers

[Learn more about our technical solution provider engagement and previous webinar recordings:](https://transcelerate.github.io/ddf-home/scf.html)
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DDF Change Management Journey

What is a digital protocol?
What can it be used for?

Awareness



Why is this important?
How can digital protocols improve clinical trials?
What is the business case?

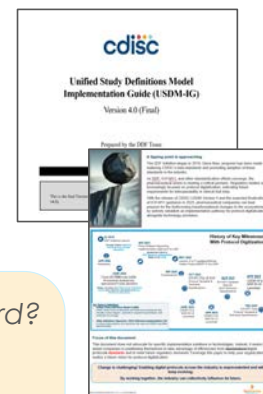
Commitment?



Understanding



What is the USDM standard?
What is it made up of?
How can it be used?
What does this mean for those who work on clinical trials?



Action



?What steps can a company take to implement?
How can you contribute to the industry-wide transformation?

DDF Training: Getting You Ready!

NEW!

Digital Data Flow & USDM Training

From
TransCelerate
&
CDISC

COMING
SOON



DDF Clinical User Training (provided by TransCelerate)

- On-demand online training
- Available Q4 2025
- Targets clinical research ecosystem roles
- Course Content –
 - Overview of DDF
 - End-to-end clinical data flow use cases from study design to submission

Interested? Email DDF at
DDF@transceleratebiopharmainc.com
for more information

AVAILABLE
NOW



USDM Technical Training (provided by CDISC)

- On-demand and in-person training opportunities
- Course content –
 - Understanding of USDM structure
 - Schedule of Activities and Study Definition documents
 - hands-on exercises to improve understanding of USDM

Interested? Email CDISC at
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Additional Opportunities to Stay Involved with DDF

You can stay involved and learn more about the Digital Data Flow initiative by visiting the following websites:



[DDF Website](#)

As the main website for DDF, learn and access all resources supporting DDF



Scan QR Code to explore DDF Website



[CDISC DDF Website](#)

Learn about and access the Unified Study Definitions Model (USDM) Reference Architecture supporting Protocol Standards



[TransCelerate DDF Initiative Solutions](#)

Learn about DDF initiative background and roadmap



[DDF GitHub Repos](#)

Learn about and access the Study Definitions Repository Reference Implementation and supporting codebase



Questions? Feedback? Please email us at DDF@transceleratebiopharmainc.com

What you think DDF to be...DDF Myths



Only one path
to DDF
implementation



DDF is still
evolving. Better
to wait and
watch



DDF is a one and
done solution to
digitize the
protocol



It is a lonely road
to DDF (we don't
know how and
where to start)

And what it is...DDF Facts



Many pathways
to
implementation



Don't wait to start
with DDF -
technology
stable with USDM
v4.0



DDF has robust and
broad-based
ecosystem support
(ICH-M11,
Vulcan-UDP)



You are not alone!
DDF journey offers
opportunities
to collaborate and
lean in

**TransCelerate Digital
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Mission Possible!

It's not that hard!



Thank you!





USDM Updates



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CDISC Digital Protocol Update

DDF Mission Possible Event

24th September 2025

Chris Decker (US) / Peter Van Reusel (EU)



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scan for more info



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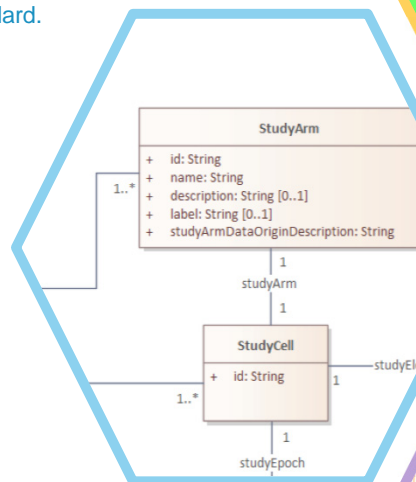


Model Extension mechanism to provide flexibility

Provides further semantics, complementing the UML model.
Includes the definition of classes, attributes, and value sets.

Example protocols implemented in the USDM with associated JSON files and visualisations

The UML logical model (a class diagram) that provides the basis for the USDM standard.



- Provides the means to exchange a single study between machines using a JSON API

		C174447	Study Arm
		C170984	Study Arm Name
		C93728	Study Arm Description
		C188827	Study Arm Type
	DataOriginDescription	C188828	Study Arm Data Origin Description
	OriginType	C188829	Study Arm Data Origin Type
	Label	CNEW	Study Arm Label
	StudyEpoch	C71738	Study Epoch
	Name	C93825	Study Epoch Name
	Description	C93824	Study Epoch Description
		C188830	Study Epoch Type
		CNEW	Study Epoch Label

Specification of the rules that define USDM compliance

A	B	C
role	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Warning/ Error	Entity applies
must conform with the USDM schema based on the		
series (string, number, boolean) must conform with values (based on the API specification).	ERROR	All
included as defined in the USDM schema based on n (i.e., all required properties are present and no are present).	ERROR	All
be as defined in the USDM schema based on the API required properties have at least one value and single not (not text).	ERROR	All
id, all id values must be unique.	ERROR	All
id instances of the same parent class must be		
Concept Category must not be referenced more same activity.	ERROR	All
medical concept category is expected to be ctivity.	WARNING	Activity
medical concept surrogate is expected to be ctivity.	WARNING	Activity
medical concept is expected to be referenced by an	WARNING	Activity
children must not refer to a timeline, procedure, ort, biomedical concept category or biomedical		
cedure is expected to be referenced by an activity.	ERROR	Activity
to refer to at least 1 procedure, biomedical cept category or biomedical concept		
ing the previous and next attributes) must	WARNING	Activity

API for DDF 2.4 Provisional (0.39)

Accelerate Digital Data Flow (DDF) Study Definitions Repository API

duction Routes that form the production specification.

POST	/v3/studyDefinitions	Create a study
PUT	/v3/studyDefinitions/{studyId}	Update a study
GET	/v3/studyDefinitions/{studyId}	Return a study
GET	/v3/studyDefinitions/{studyId}/history	Returns the study history
	/v3/studyDesigns	Study designs for a study

Guidance on using the USDM model and ensuring conformance with the standard

```
studyArms": [
  {
    "id": "StudyArm_1",
    "name": "Placebo",
    "label": "",
    "description": "Placebo",
    "type": {
      "id": "Code_61",
      "code": "C17426B",
      "codeSystem": "http://www.cdisc.org",
      "codeSystemVersion": "2022-12-16",
      "decode": "Placebo Comparator Arm"
    }
  },
  {
    "studyArmDataOriginDescription": "Data collected from external source",
    "dataOriginType": {
      "id": "Code_62",
      "code": "C18865B",
      "codeSystem": "http://www.cdisc.org",
      "codeSystemVersion": "2022-12-16",
      "decode": "Data Generated Within Study"
    }
  }
],
```

on 2.0 Draft for Internal Review)



Unified Study Definitions Model Implementation Guide (USDM-IG)

Version 2.0 (Draft for Internal Review)

Prepared by the
DDE Team

Notes to Readers

- This is the draft version 2.0 of the Unified Study Definitions Model Implementation Guide (USD-M-IG v2.0). It is intended for Internal Review only and is not a final version.

History

Version
2.0 Draft for Internal Review

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DDF Phase 5: Accelerate Adoption

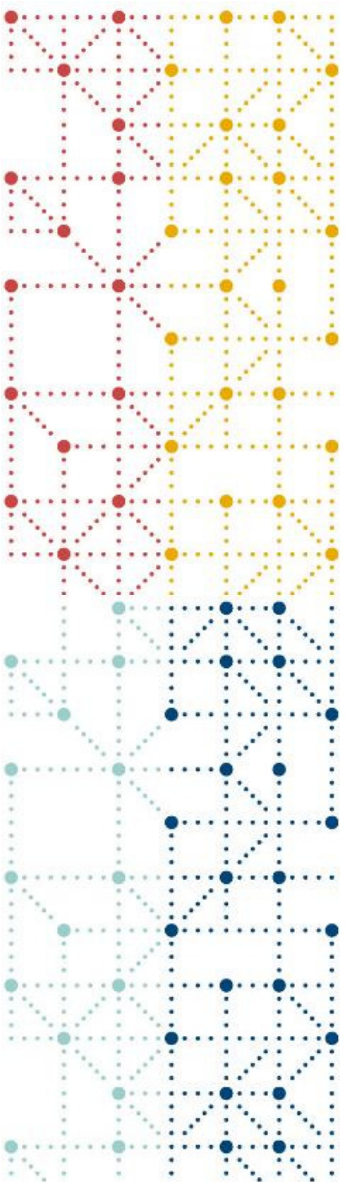
Focus on Community Engagement and Adoption

Establishing USDM & DDF Governance

Scoping for Additional Regulatory Needs

USDM Release Ensuring Final M11 Alignment

Target Tangible Use Cases: Patient Matching, Protocol Authoring/M11, and Data Transfer Automation

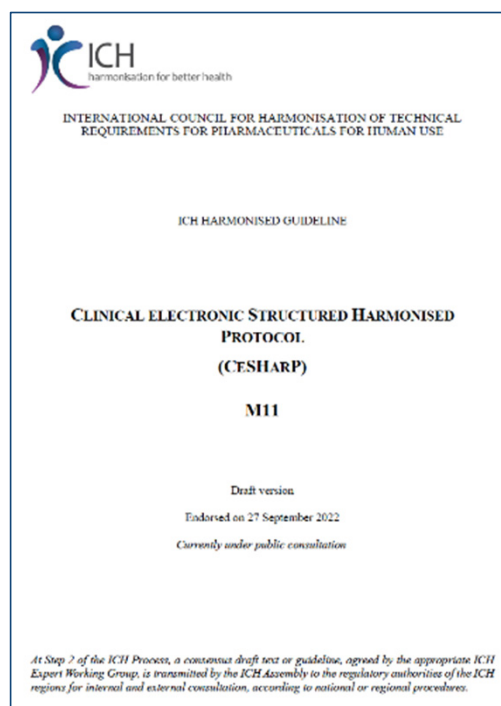


ICH M11 and USDM: How do they Fit Together

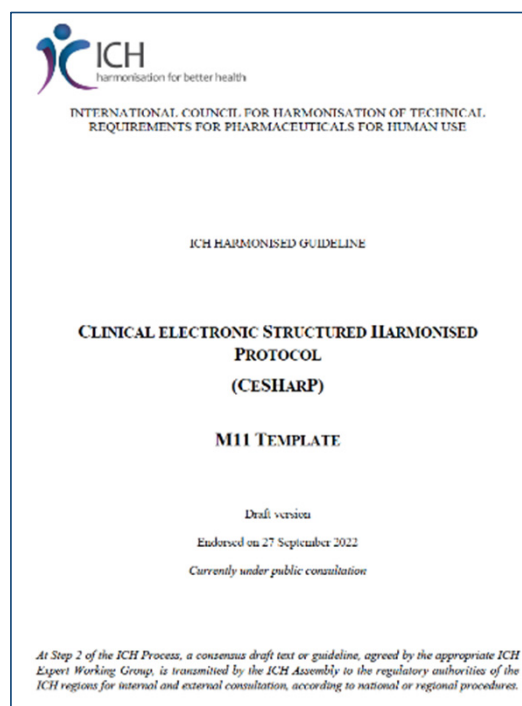
M11 Is ...

ICH CLINICAL ELECTRONIC STRUCTURED HARMONISED PROTOCOL (CeSHarP)

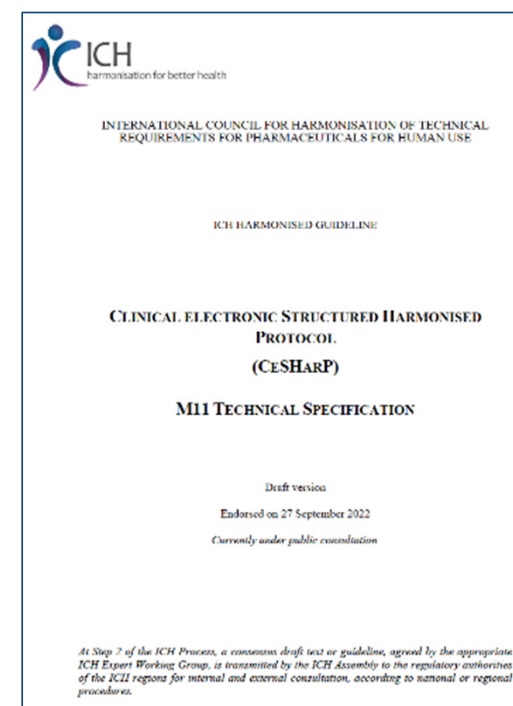
<https://www.ich.org/page/multidisciplinary-guidelines>



Provides background, purpose, and scope as a guideline

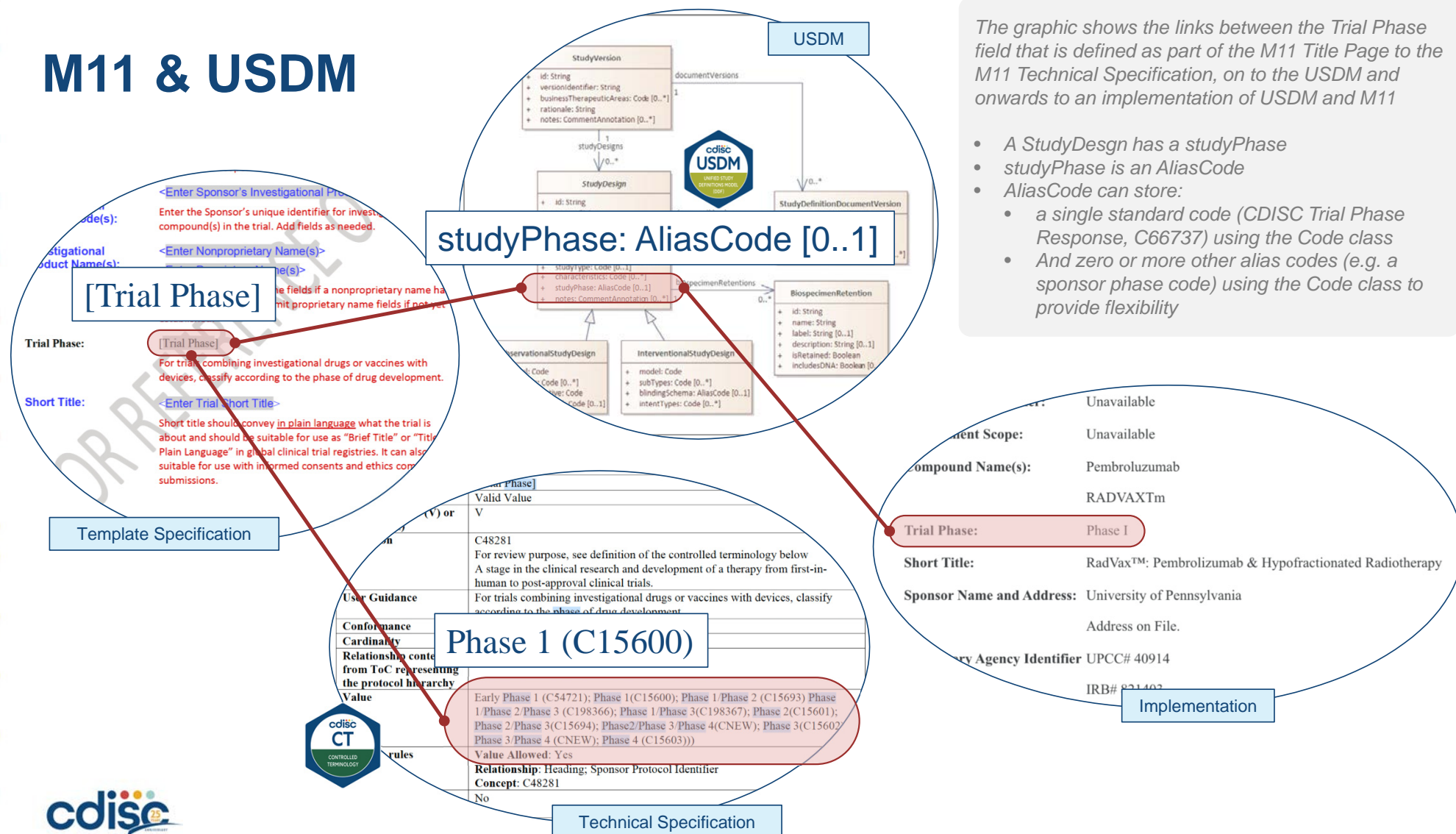


Provides the written format for the Interventional Clinical Trial Protocol Template



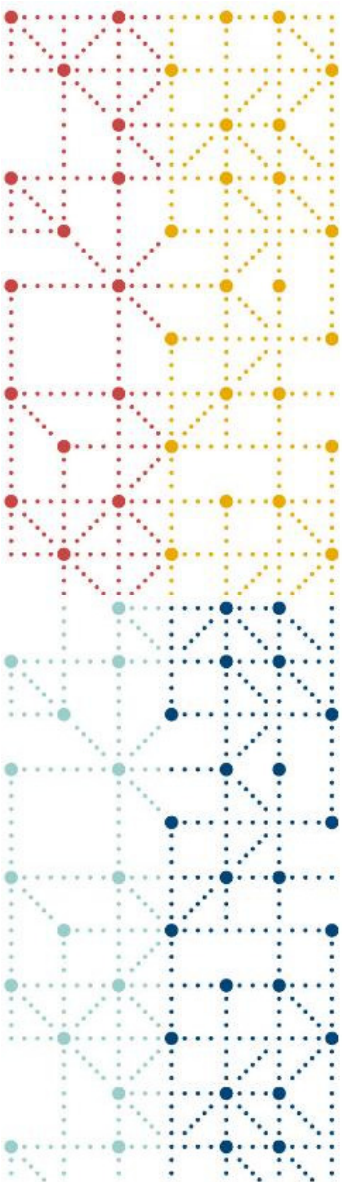
Provides the technical representation aligned with the guideline and protocol template

M11 & USDM



The graphic shows the links between the Trial Phase field that is defined as part of the M11 Title Page to the M11 Technical Specification, on to the USDM and onwards to an implementation of USDM and M11

- A StudyDesign has a studyPhase
- studyPhase is an AliasCode
- AliasCode can store:
 - a single standard code (CDISC Trial Phase Response, C66737) using the Code class
 - And zero or more other alias codes (e.g. a sponsor phase code) using the Code class to provide flexibility



CDISC 360i: Leveraging DDF and USDM to drive Automation Downstream

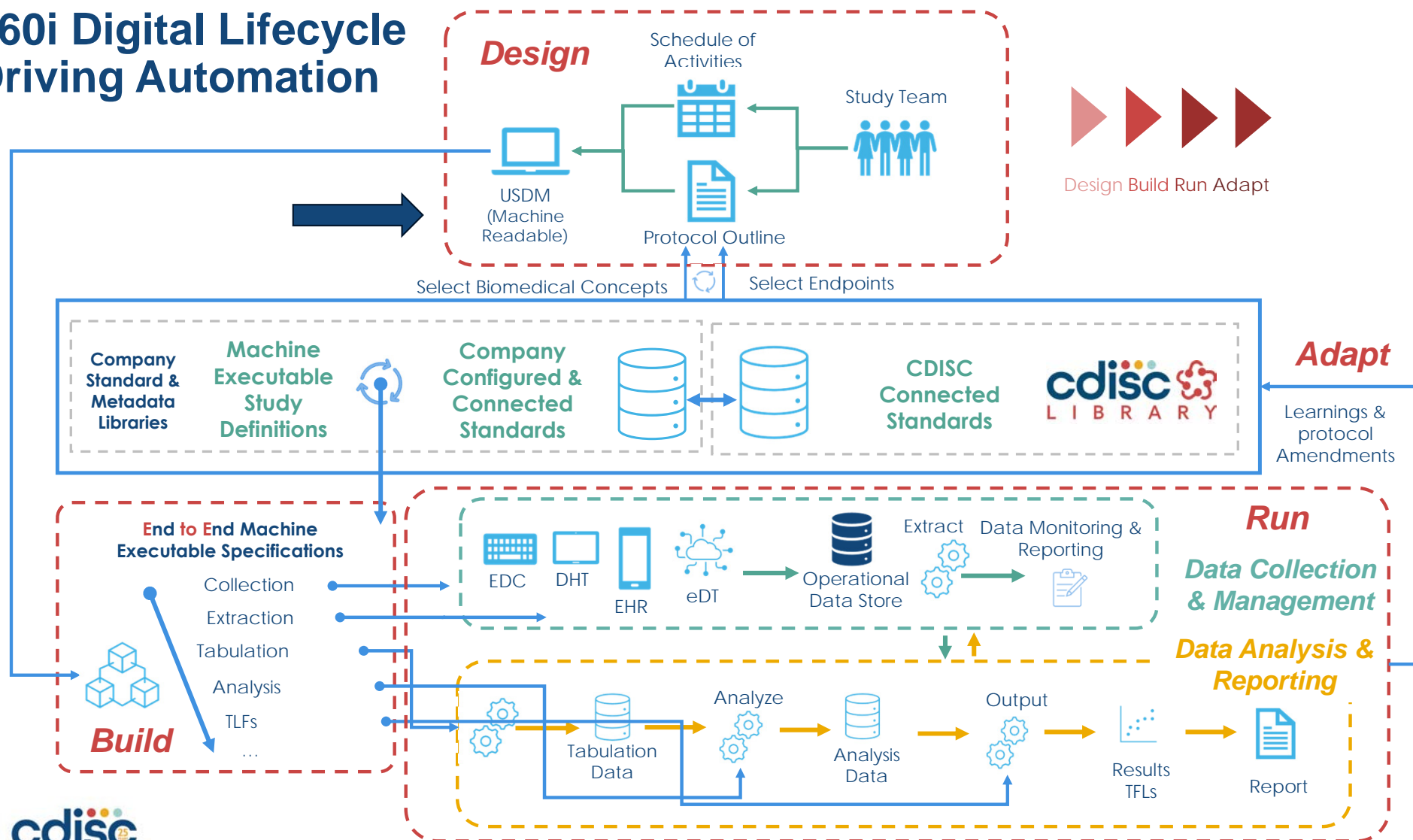


Realizing CDISC's Mission

*CDISC's **vision** is to amplify data's impact to advance research by...
creating connected standards across the study information lifecycle to enable accessible,
interoperable, and reusable data for more meaningful and effective research*



360i Digital Lifecycle Driving Automation



360i Study Design

Safety Assessments

- Demography
- Death Details
- Adverse Events
 - Overview
 - By SOC and PT
 - By Freq
- Disposition
- Change from Baseline Lab
 - Chemistry
 - Hematology
 - Vital Signs

Safety Assessments

- DILI

Questionnaire

- ADAS - COG

Digital Measure (DHT)

- Glucose Monitoring
- Steps / Movement / Sleep

Efficacy Endpoint Assessments

- Breast Cancer (RECIST)
- Alzheimer's Disease



Objectives
Endpoints
Estimands



Select
Biomedical
Concepts



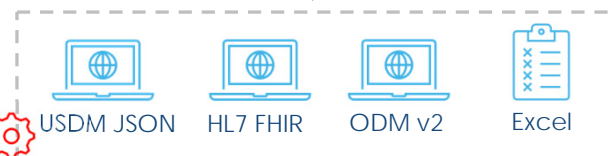
Link
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Concepts
to SoA



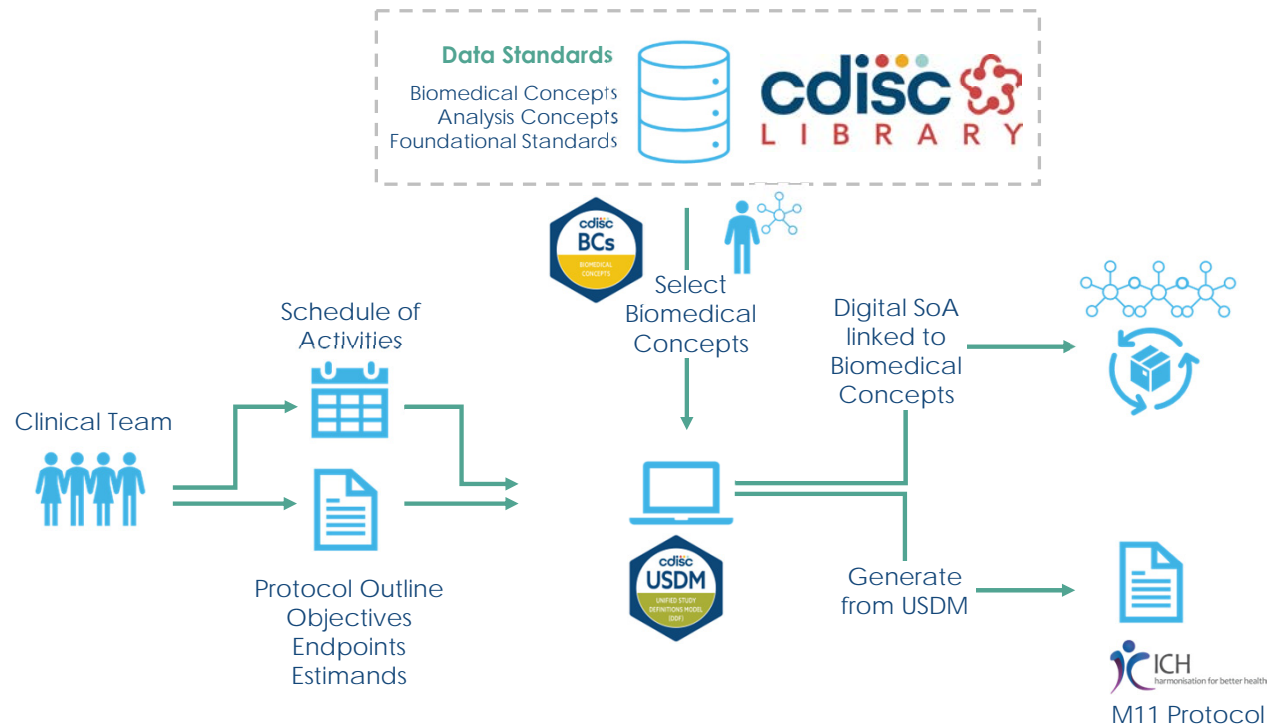
Digital SoA
linked to
Biomedical
Concepts



Manual BC
assignment



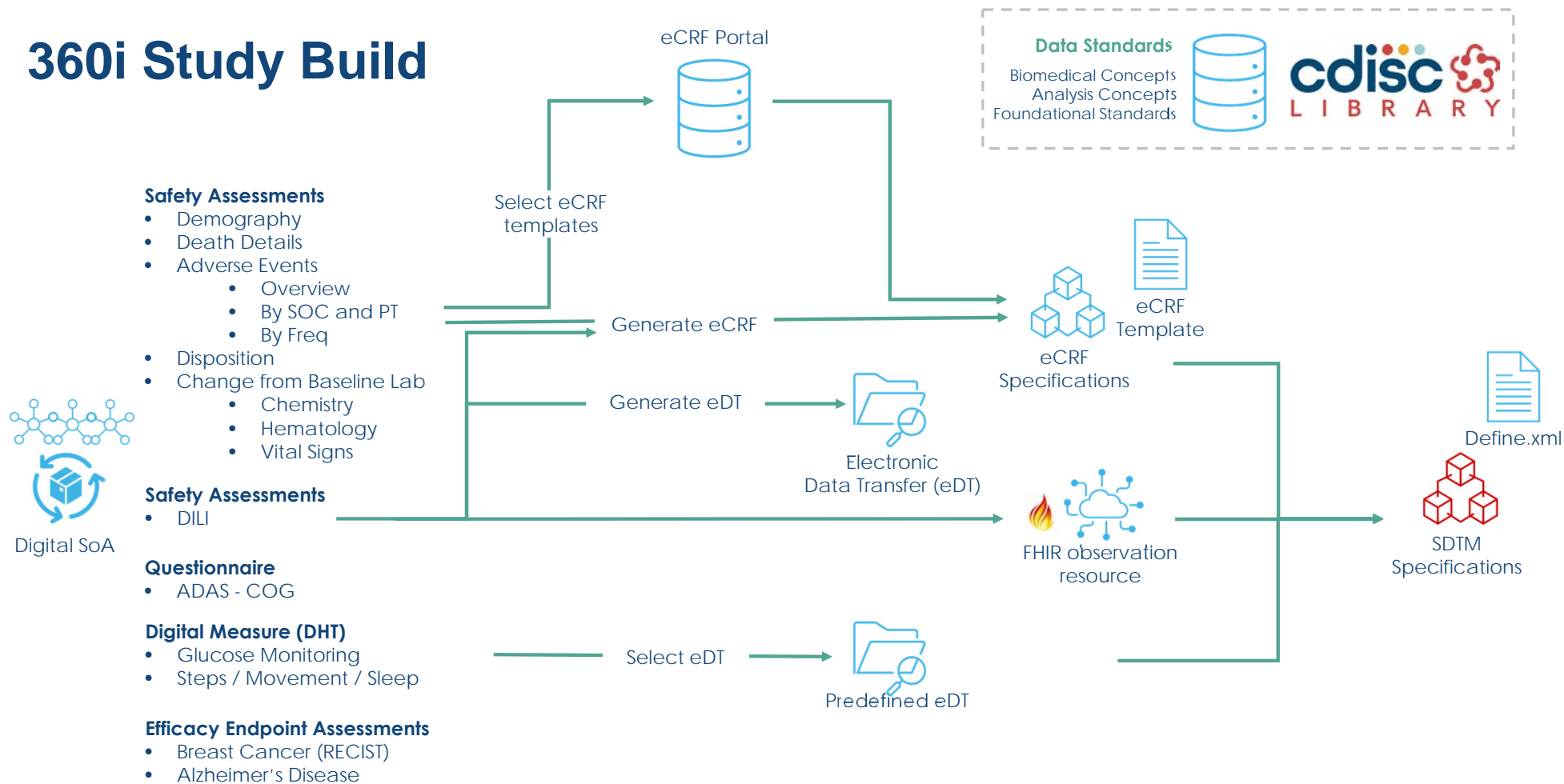
360i Study Design



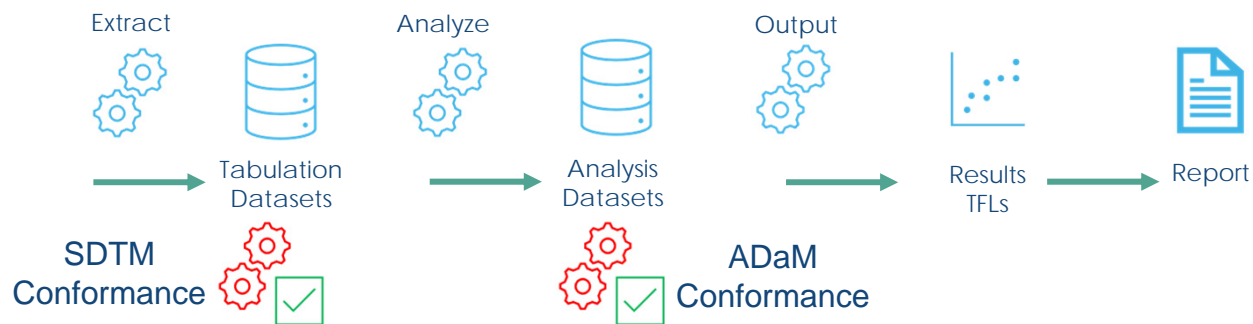
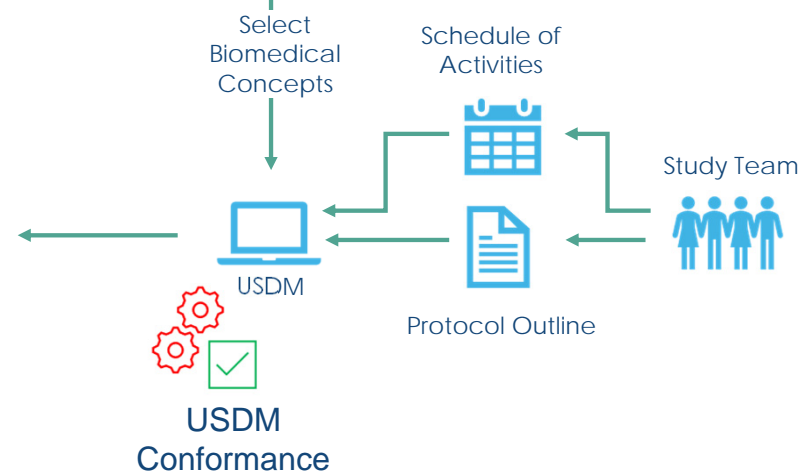
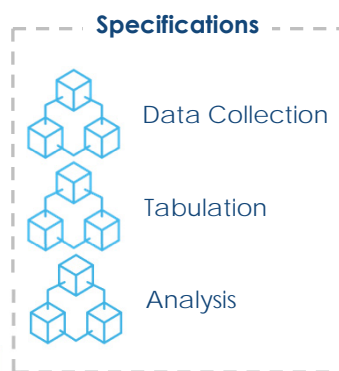
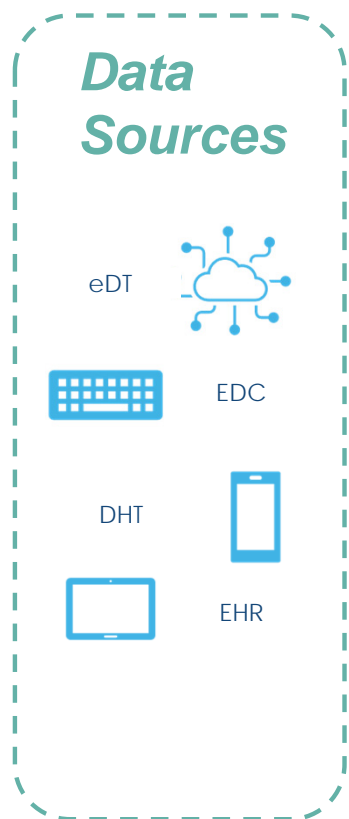
Protocol Attachment LZZT.1
Schedule of Events for Protocol H2Q-MC-LZZT(c)

	Visit	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
activity	SPR	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Adverse event	SPR	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Patient unable to respond		N																			
Interacts 14		N																			
SPR 12-17		N																			
Physical examination		N																			
Medical history		N																			
Diets		N																			
Check site		N																			
Appt 1 participant					N																
Parental consent		N		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Visit app transportation		N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Aspirin 100 mg p.o.		N		N																	
Aspirin 80 mg p.o.		N		N																	
ASA		N		N																	
Pre-visit T37		N		N																	
CT Scan 1st of value last year and patient gives all other scans		N		N																	
Concurrent Medication		N		N																	
Laboratory 1 (chemistry)		N		N																	
Laboratory 2 (chemistry)		N		N																	
Pre-visit T37		N		N																	
Intermittent ASA		N		N																	
Study drug record		N		N																	
Medication diagnosis		N		N																	
Medication obtained		N		N																	
TTA Aspirin history		N		N																	
ASA 100 mg		N		N																	
ASA 80 mg		N		N																	
ASA		N		N																	
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360i Study Build

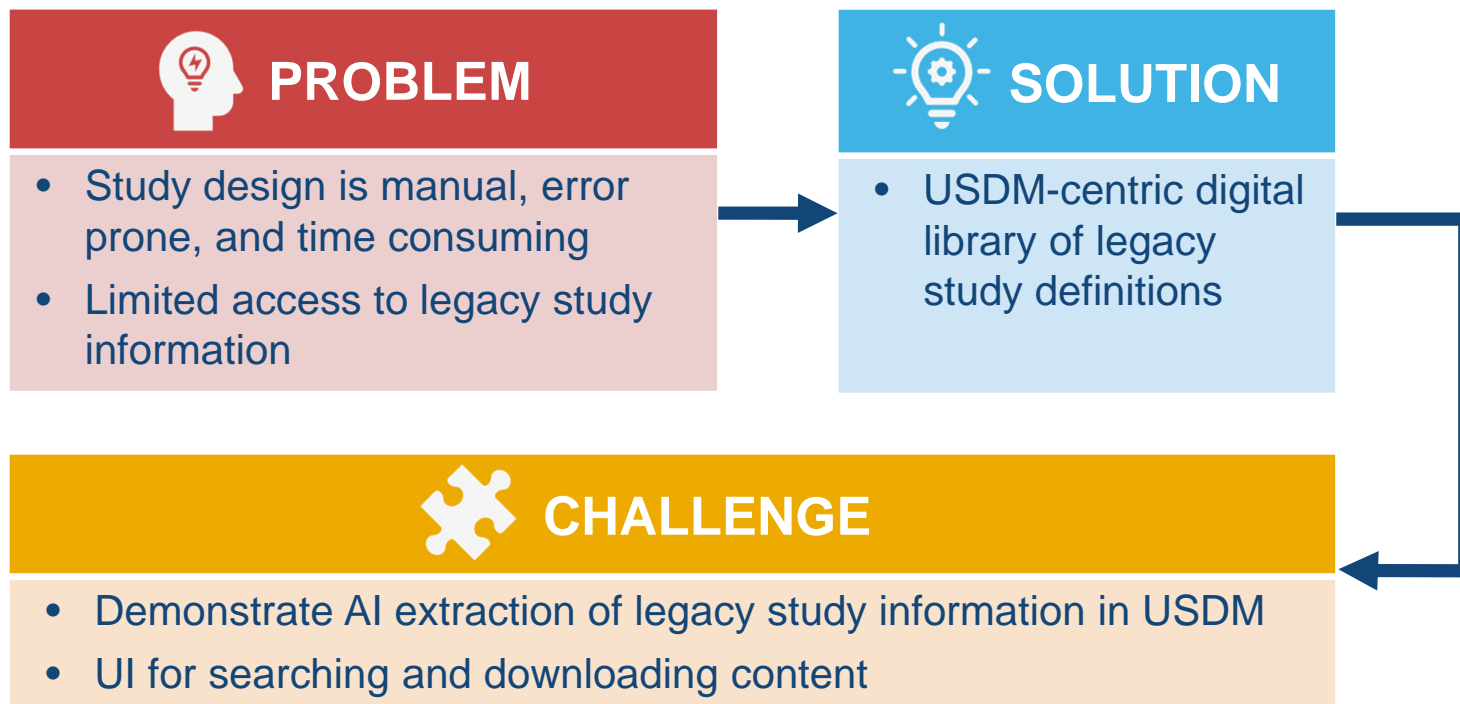


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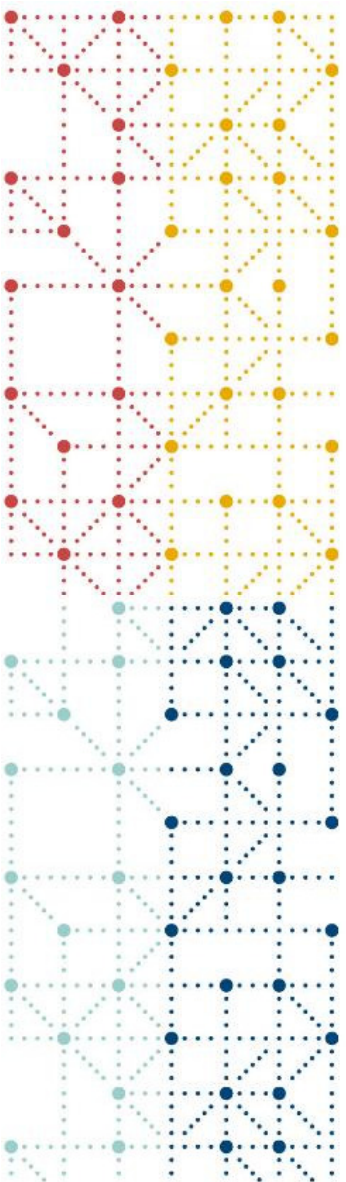


CDISC AI Innovation Challenge: Protocol Library

Build a USDM-Centric Repository of Study Definitions from Existing Protocols



NOTE: 30 companies/individuals have submitted intent to participate in this use case.



USDM: Education and Learning Pathways

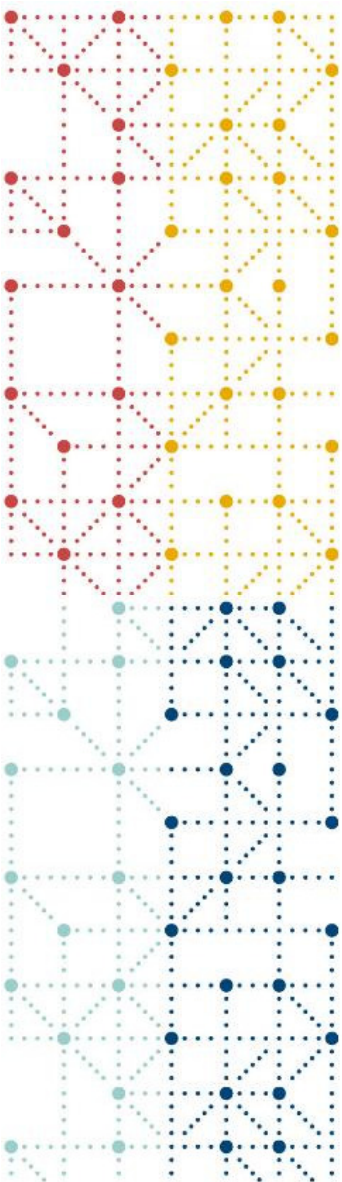


CDISC USDM Onboarding Package Program (Private Training)



Public Training	Date	Location	Time
Understanding USDM In-Person Training	16 October 2025	CDISC US Interchange Nashville, TN	9am-6pm US Central Time
Understanding USDM Virtual Training	27-29 January 2026	Virtual	9am-12pm US Eastern Time





Thank You!





Catalyzing Connections to Amplify Impact



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Fostering Connections to enable integration and automated across clinical research and clinical care

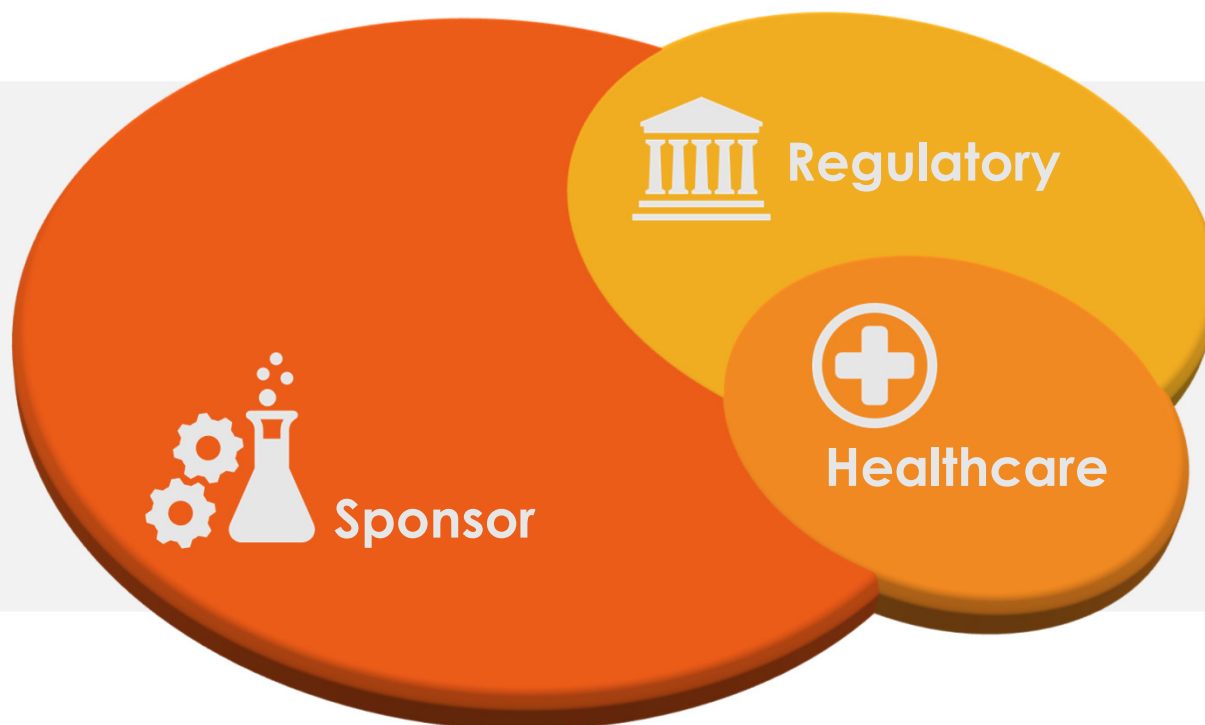
Aim 1: Expand collaboration across protocol-related initiatives and **pursue compatibility** of solutions to **accelerate implementation** and **amplify value** of digital protocols.

Aim 2: Articulate the connectivity among ICH M11, DDF, and other protocol initiatives to accelerate **implementation-readiness** especially regarding regulatory and health IT use cases.



Digital Protocols Across Domains

Significant opportunity in the overlap



Use Cases and Building Blocks

Diverse drivers and perspectives

Getting Started: Pathways to Implementation DDF Use Cases



- CPT
- ICH M11
- USDM



Sponsor



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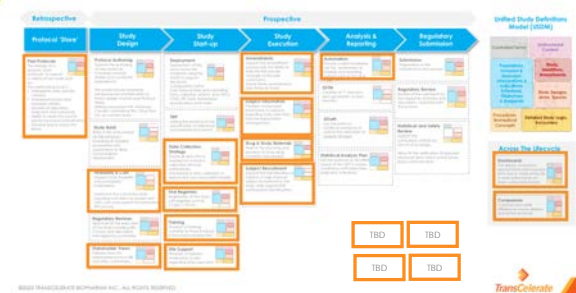
Healthcare

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- ICH M11
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- FHIR

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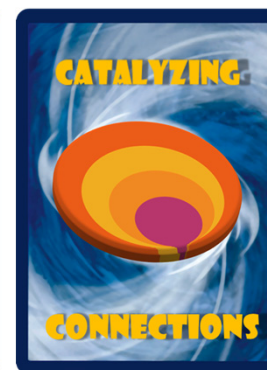
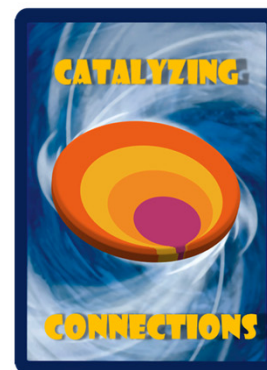
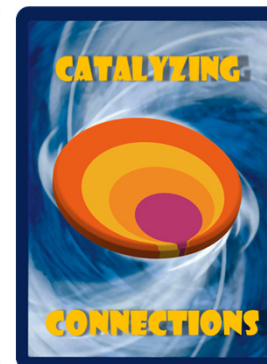
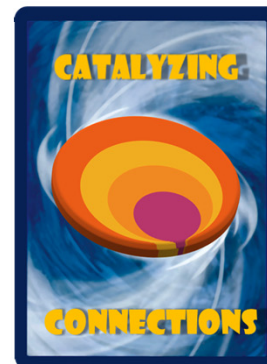
Collaboration, Compatibility, and Convergence Will Put Patients at the Center



Catalyzing Connections



Catalyzing Connections





**ICH M11 is a
harmonized
protocol
template
structure that
addresses
common
global
requirements**

ICH M11 and CPT

Content Alignment and Requirements for Digitization

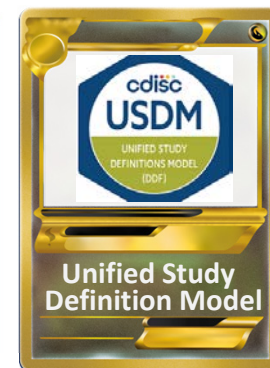
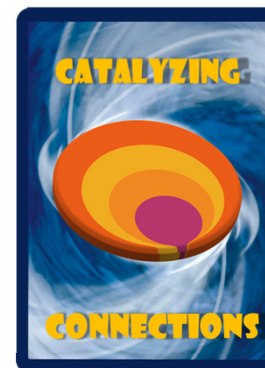
Global, harmonized clinical trial protocol with requirements for digital trial design elements	Aim	Common structure and model language, demonstrates possibilities for content reuse and digitization
Regulator	Audience	Investigator
Protocol outline with supporting instruction & minimal sample text, Guideline technical specifications defining requirements for protocol digitization	Outputs	M11 heading structure More granular detail & content compared with ICH M11: "Common" (model) text, Example text, detailed instructional text, libraries of additional content eCPT
Addresses global requirements regulators can add regional requirements	Regions	Addresses global requirements & regional content requirements

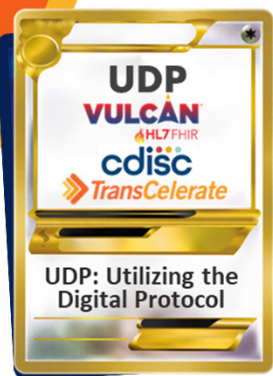


**CPT is an
implementable,
customizable
template**

**COMING
SOON:
CPT aligned to
Draft M11**

Catalyzing Connections





TransCelerate through UDP will ensure M11- aligned protocols in USDM can be exchanged in FHIR

Utilizing the Digital Protocol (UDP)

HL7 Vulcan FHIR Accelerator

Aim	<p>UDP is an umbrella project to accelerate exchange of ICH M11 aligned protocols through collaboration and integration of work products HL7, CDISC and TransCelerate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Content organized according to ICH M11- Structured elements adhering to USDM- Exchange in HL7 FHIR
Audience	Technology developers, Sponsors, Regulators, etc.
Approach	<p>Connect and build compatibility with existing related standards and assets.</p> <p>Operates under Vulcan, a FHIR Accelerator in the HL7 community</p>
Outputs	<p>FHIR Implementation Guides, with clear connections to other resources.</p> <p>Use Case #1: Sponsor to Regulator Exchange of ICH M11 (for ICH Technical Implementation Guide)</p>



Bringing it all together: Evolution of Protocol Initiatives



Model
structure/content



Common
approach for
dividing protocol
content into
structured
elements

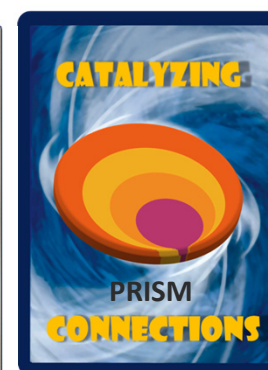
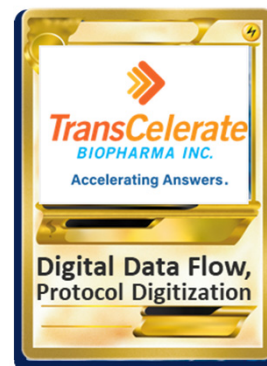
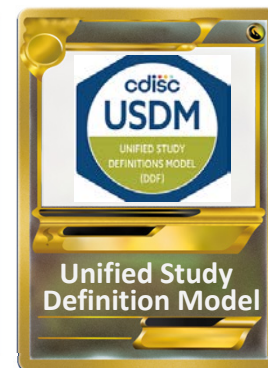


Common detailed
data model that
addresses
granularity,
relationships, etc.



Exchange mechanism that
integrates with the
information & systems used
by various stakeholders

Catalyzing Connections



ICH M11 Development Testing

Windows into Implementation Readiness



- ✓ **COMPLETED**
PRISM Phase 2
 - Testing in PrecisionFDA
 - tested submission of structured and unstructured ICH M11 protocols
- **IN PROGRESS**
PRISM Phase 3 ICH M11 testing
 - latest M11 draft
 - Draft ICH M11 Technical Implementation Guide (Vulcan UDP FHIR for M11)



- **RECURRING**
UDP Track at HL7 Connectathons
 - Held 3 times/year: Jan virtual, May and September in person
 - Contribute to development testing
 - Optional:
 - Bring Your Own Protocol
 - Bring Your Own Software

ICH M11 Development Testing

Windows into Implementation Readiness



COMING SOON

Testing opportunity for TransCelerate Member Companies in Q4



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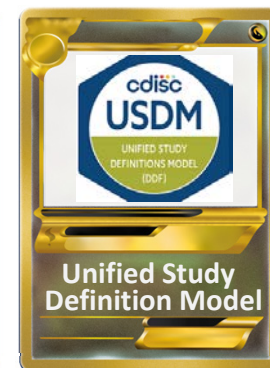
FT1 Is it just for transCelerate member companies?

Fahmy, Tina, 2025-11-06T17:22:43.379

VD1 0 Testing opportunity is available only for TCB member companies.

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Catalyzing Connections





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Adoption Stories



Adoption Stories



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Adoption Stories Moderator

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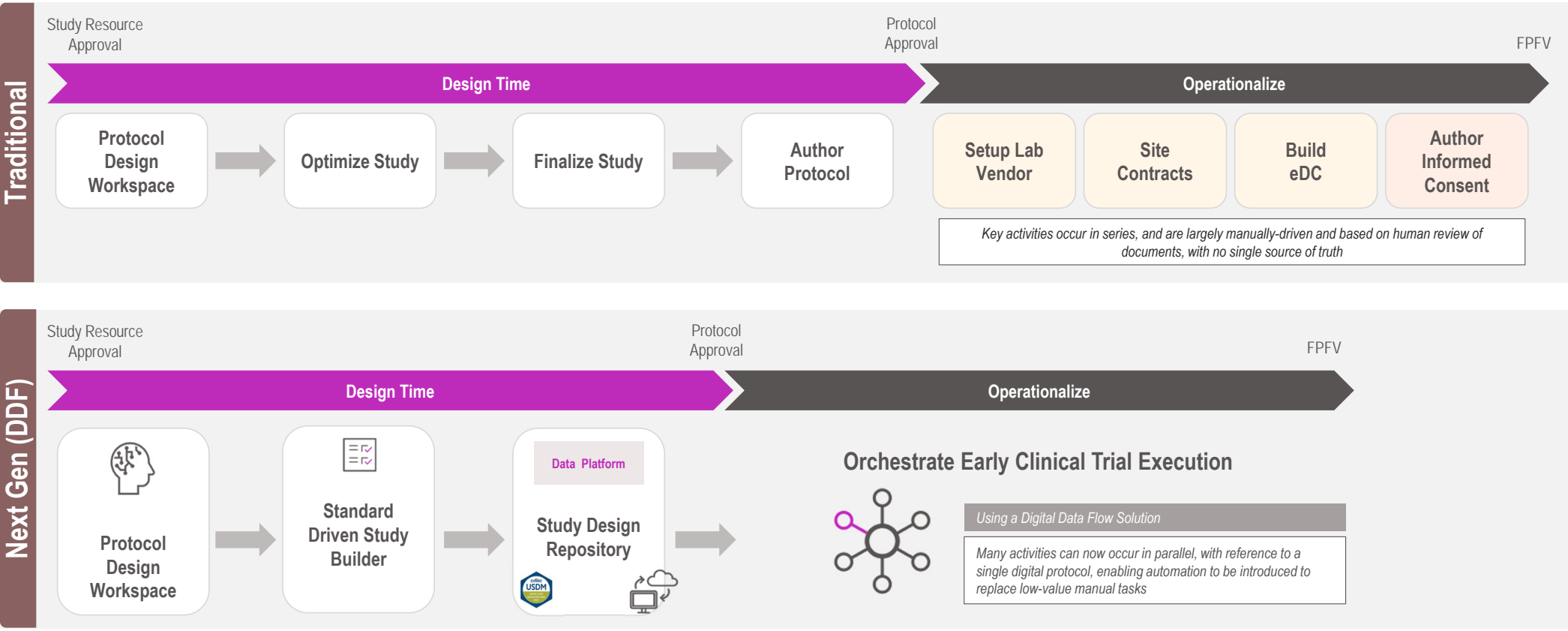


Adoption Story from a Biopharmaceutical Organization

Case Study:
Digital Data Flow Journey

Clinical Development

Leveraging Digital Data Flow to accelerate Clinical Development through a common data model on a technology platform



Our Digitally-Connected Protocol Maturity Stage

Three broader maturity level. We are at the second step of it.

Achieve a holistic transformation that integrates digital protocols into the core organizational strategy.

Enhance efficiency and effectiveness of protocol development through digital tools.

Establish a digital foundation by converting paper-based protocols into digital documents



Digital Transformation



Digitalization 



Digitization

 We are here



Success So far ...

Digital Data Flow has evolved, and is starting to enable automation clinical operations, helping kickstart clinical activities ahead of time



Early Insights

Deliver actionable insights
~2 months earlier in the trial lifecycle**



Specimen Generation Plan

3 to 4 weeks faster study set-up through digitized SOA & Specimen Plan automation



Lab Contracts Generation

Contract negotiation initiated earlier in trial lifecycle



External Data Contracts

~17k hours annually saved by streamlining activities in transfer agreement generation, data review and approvals E2E



Site Contracts Negotiation

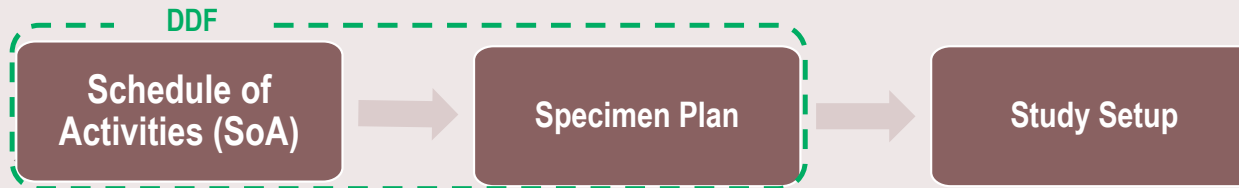
Contract negotiation initiated earlier in trial lifecycle accelerating US site contracting for RCO* by 6 to 8 weeks (~50% reduction)

* RCO – Regional Clinical Operations

** Contingent upon the capabilities adopted

Specimen Management Plan Automation

Automation



- ✓ Specimen Planning is Embedded in the SOA
- ✓ Standards-Driven Plan Generation
- ✓ Specimen Testing and Logistics Requirements feed Setup activities

Impact



Faster, more consistent Plan generation, **optimized by Visit**



Digitized Plan captures detail and variability like never before



Quicker lab readiness through customized digital outputs

Site Budget Negotiation Reports

Automation



- ✓ All lab-related inputs (test names, frequency, volume) consolidated into one automated, exportable format
- ✓ Accelerates site-ready negotiation packages aligned with protocol and lab plans

Impact



Accelerates US Site Contracting for RCO



Accelerates Site Negotiation process



Improves speed and reduce transcription errors with automated report

External Data Contracts Tracking System

Automation



- ✓ Accelerate DSP creation with digitized study data and clinical data standards, ensuring faster, higher-quality, and consistent data
- ✓ Seamless user experience, allowing easy drafting, finalization, and storage of study Data Specification Packages (DSP) for External Data Acquisition team access

Impact

The External Data Acquisition Portal will provide team with ~1000 pre-filled **Data Specification Package(DSP)** annually, resulting in cost savings and efficient vendor engagements



Reduced Manual Work

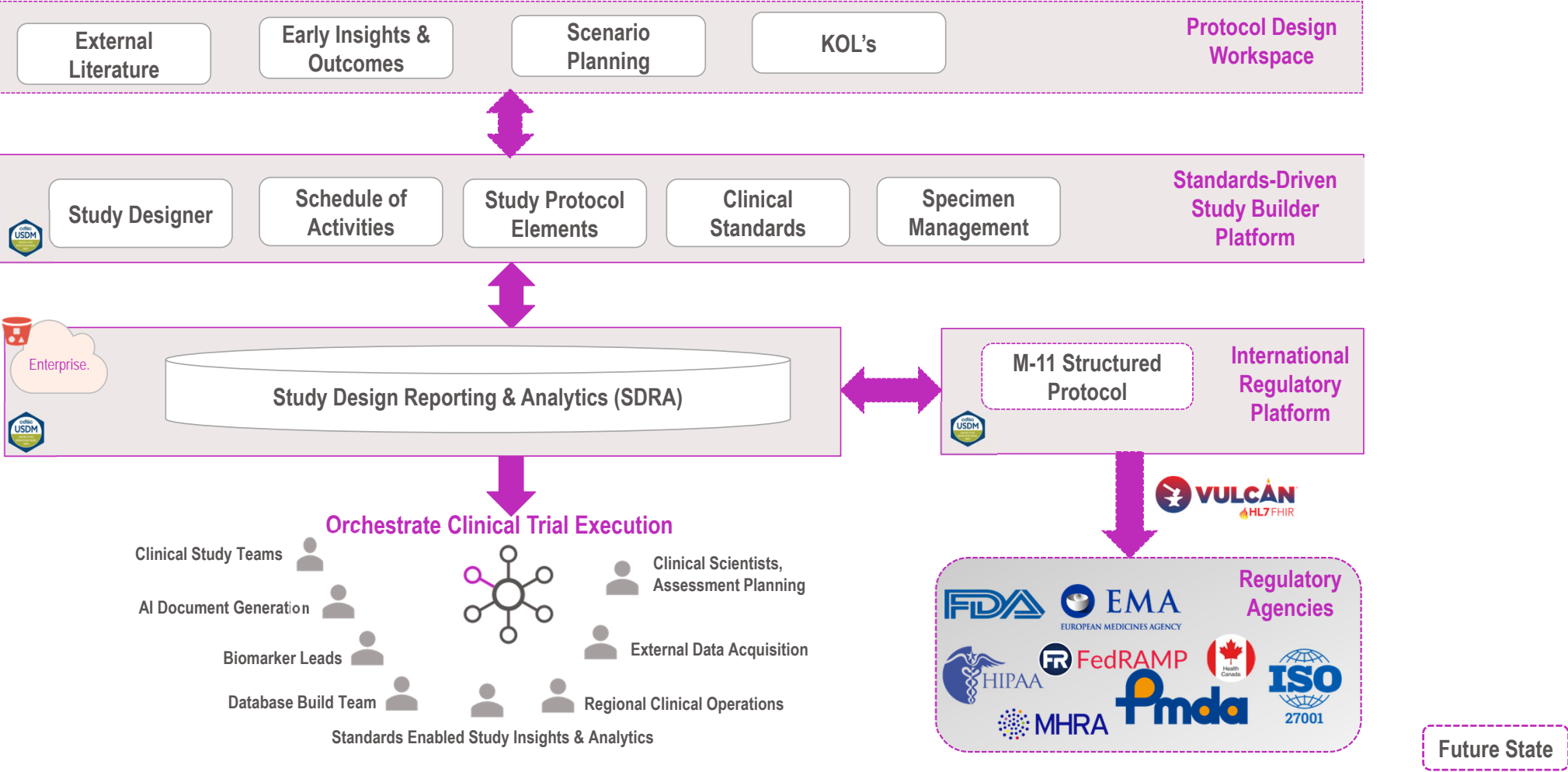


Higher Consistency
Across Data Specification Package



Automated Data
Specification
Package Creation

Conceptual Overview



Standards Driven Study Design

Automation



- ✓ Standard design elements such as phase TA, indication, population, and cohort reduces variability and ambiguity in data interpretation
- ✓ Standard Schedule of Activity elements such as visit, epoch, activity, procedure, and biomedical concepts drives downstream automation
- ✓ Data collection elements such as crf name, variable name, and code lists reduces variability and ambiguity

Impact



Improved Data Quality and Consistency ensuring uniformity across sites/studies



Faster Study Start-Up and Execution via enhanced data integration & reuse



Regulatory Compliance and Readiness by minimizing delays/rejections

Digital Protocol Transformation Challenges





Adoption Story from a Biopharmaceutical Organization

Case Study:
Integrated Data Journey: From Study Concept to Case
Report Form

Agenda



Brief summary of the use case and how it fits in the Transcelerate Digital Data Flow initiative



Why did we implement this use case...

- Limitations of the previous process
- Focus & benefits of the new process



Implementing this use case wasn't so easy ...
Challenges faced when implementing the use case



The journey to get there was long...
Summary of the journey



Before starting: a small Quiz | Protocol Inclusion Criteria

How many variations of this inclusion criteria do you think we have across **35** protocols for the same product?

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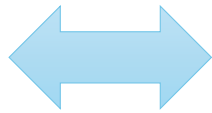
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Summary of the use case

Integrated Data Journey: From Study Concept to CRF

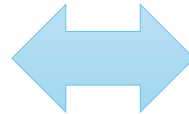


Clinical Document generation using a structured content authoring tool



Visit	1	2	3 (3-10 days)
Consent	X		
PSA blood test	X		
Questionnaires Pack 1 (IPSS, IPSS-QoL, IIEF-15, EPIC-urinary, EPIC bowel, EQ-5D QoL)	X		X
Questionnaires Pack 2 (FACT-P, MAX-PC)	X		X

Creation of machine-readable format schedule of activity



CASE REPORT FORM Invasive Pneumococcal Disease

Reporting Authority

Reporting source* ☐ General Practitioner ☐ Hospital based Practitioner ☐ Laboratory

Source of reporting source ☐ Self notification ☐ Outbreak Investigation ☐ Other

Body reported* Organisation

Local GP Practice Contact phone GP phone

GP/Practice address Number Street Suburb Postcode

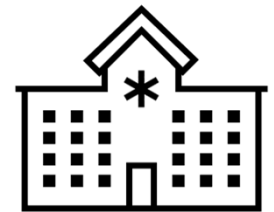
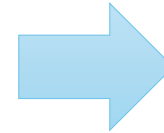
Case Identification

Name of case* Surname Given Name

MRB number* Email

Current address* Address Town Postcode

Linkage of CRFs to visits and activities

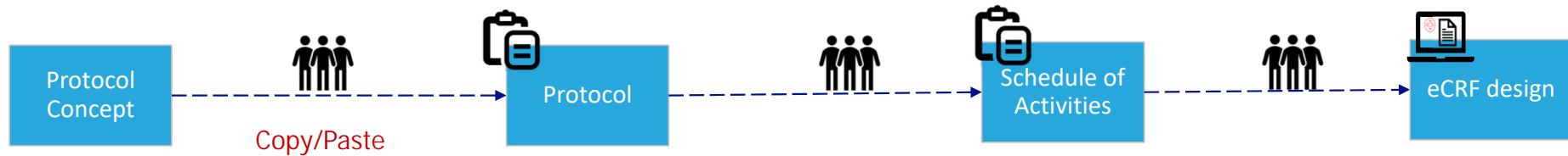


Clinical Data Collection



This use case will structure, standardize, and digitize the study protocol content, enabling content reuse across downstream systems and across documents.

Previous Process and its Limitations



Fragmented data flows &
Disconnected tools & workflows
➔ Risk of data discrepancies

Misalignment & inconsistency between
protocol content
and eCRF

Lack of standardization
&
Difficulty in reusing content across studies

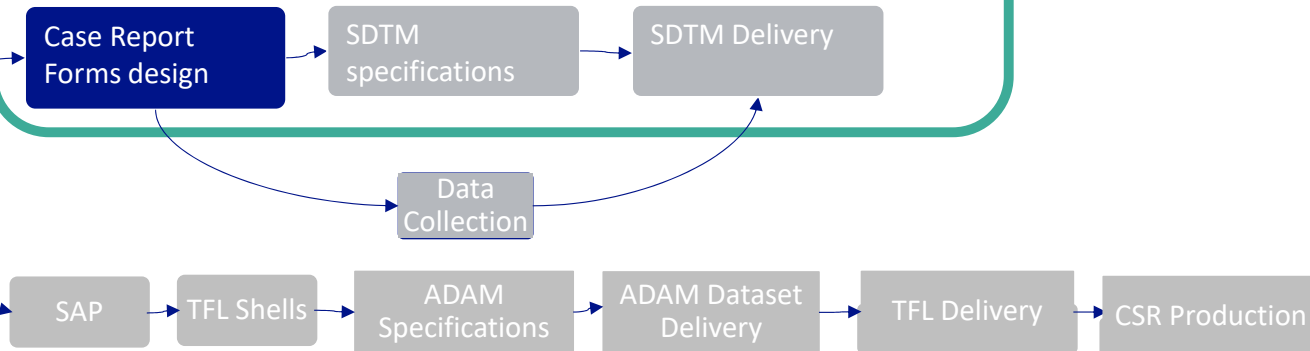
Delays in study design approvals

Integrated Data Journey: use case focus & benefits

Bespoke Structured Content Authoring tool



Metadata Repository

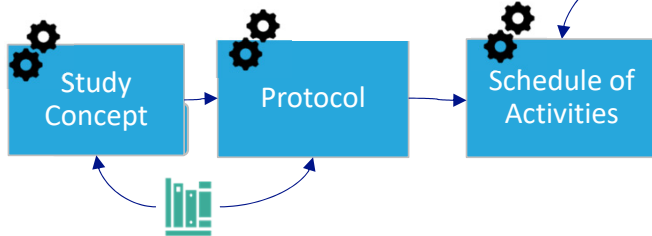


Integrated Data Journey: use case focus & benefits

Bespoke Structured Content

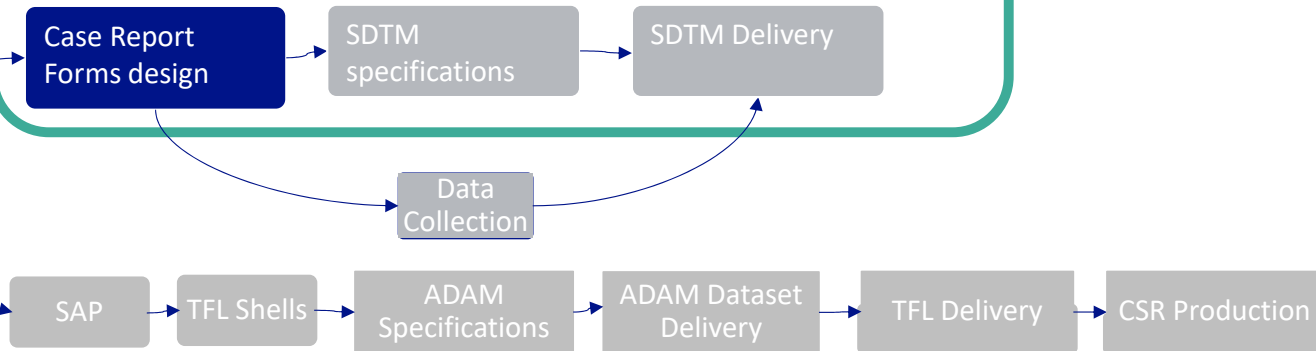
Authoring tool

- Supports Scalability & Reusability
- Accelerates Study Start-Up
- Reduces Operational Costs
- Improves Quality & Compliance
- Enhances Cross-Functional Collaboration
- Enables Digital Transformation



Standard Libraries being built and grown with each protocol

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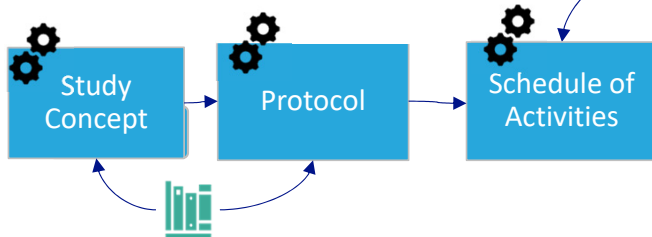


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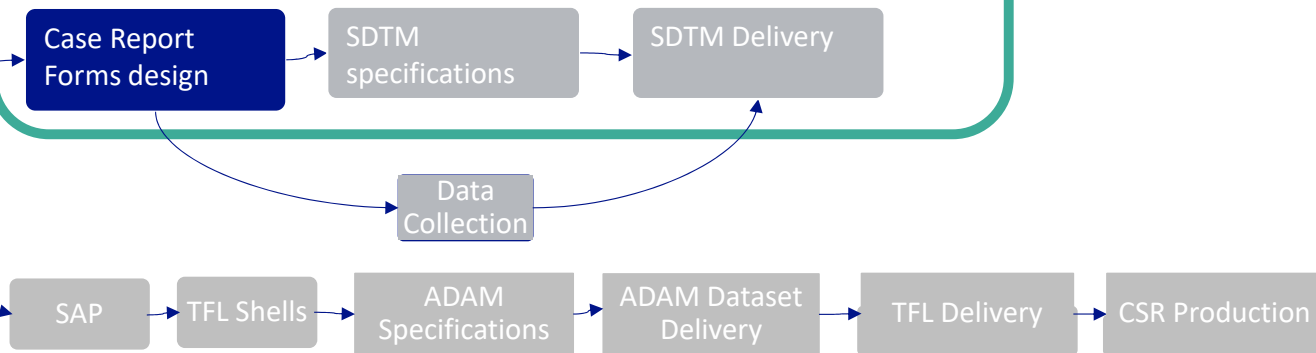
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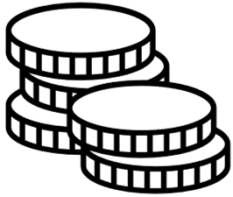
Metadata Repository

Connection between the structure Content Authoring & metadata repository will allow: Consistency, Fewer Errors & Amendments, Better Traceability & Compliance



Implementing this use case wasn't easy...

Main challenges



Cost Justification and Return On Investment

Custom tools are expensive, and ROI may be hard to quantify in early stages.



Breaking the silos

A big investment in terms of time & expertise is needed to ensure consistency through the E2E process and digital landscape.



Change Management: Reuse vs. Flexibility

Structured content authoring supports reuse and consistency, but clinical documents often require flexibility. Rigid standards can feel limiting and may not fit all needs. Defining these standards takes time but is key to long-term efficiency.

Summary of the journey



An idea is born...

Identified a proof-of-concept projects for structured content authoring.

This is the extension of a bespoke risk-management platform



Extension of other functionalities for a more integrated clinical platform



Extension of other functionalities for a more integrated clinical platform



Adaptation of Structured Content authoring to new document templates

2019

2020

2021

2022

2023

2024

2025



The first version of structured content authoring is live



Second release for structured content authoring including content reuse



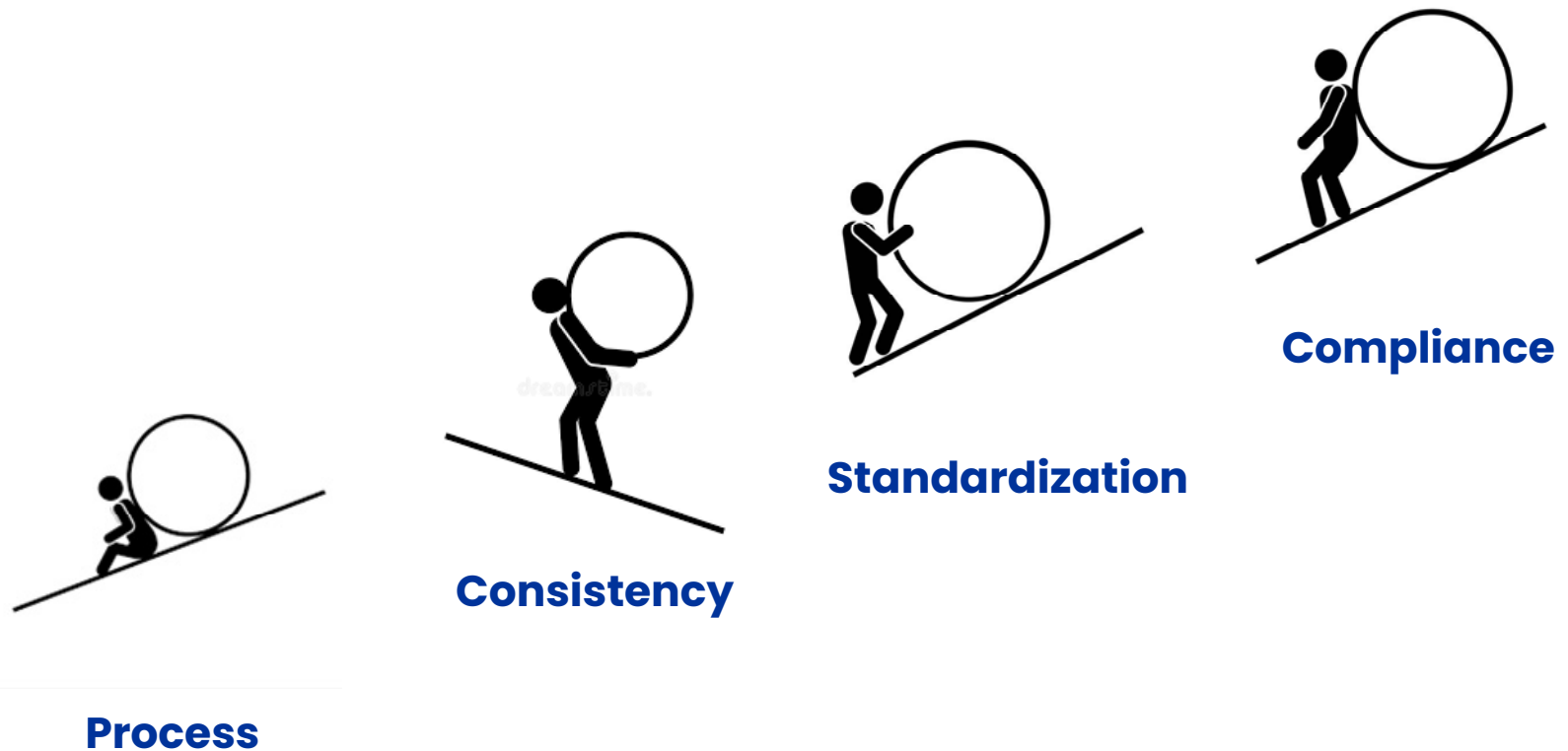
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Adoption Story from a Biopharmaceutical Organization

Case Study:
Clinical Content Reuse (CCR) and Document Automation –
Key considerations for success

Have we improved clinical trial design and execution?



Industry Challenges



1. Growth in protocol design customizations: 3X the amount of information compared to 10 years ago
 - Approval to FPFV time up by 27%
 - Longer duration of downstream processes eg, EDC build and SDTM creation
 - Phase III trials: 37% increase in total mean endpoints and a 42% increase in total number of procedures from 2016–2021.
2. Increase in the number of PAs = Increase cost burden and drop out rates
 1. Total substantial amendments up by 113%
 2. Average of 4 PAs per study
3. Research sites face increasing burden from protocol complexity
4. Increase in complexity of submission package: how much of the data collected from a clinical trial actually supports the target indication?

Sources:

- Getz KA, et al. The Impact of Protocol Amendments on Clinical Trial Performance and Cost. Ther Innov Regul Sci. 2016 Jul;50(4):436–441.
- Getz K, Smith Z, Botto E, Murphy E, Dauchy A. New Benchmarks on Protocol Amendment Practices, Trends and their Impact on Clinical Trial Performance. Ther Innov Regul Sci. 2024 May;58(3):539–548. <https://aspe.hhs.gov/reports/examination-clinical-trial-costs-barriers-drug-development-0>
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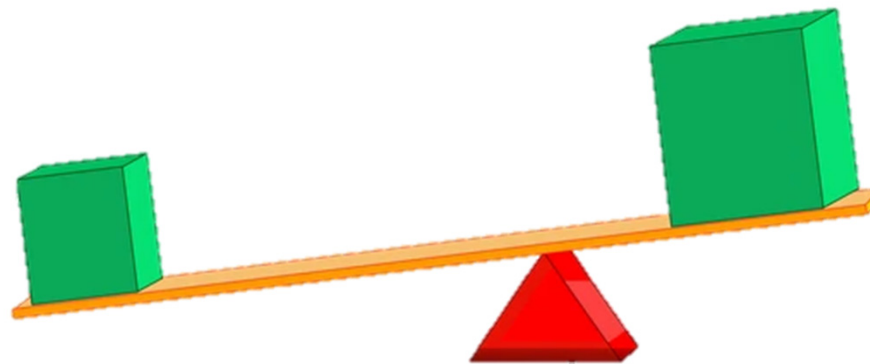
Is automation and AI the magical potion that will solve all our industry's problems?



What is the
Recipe for
Success?

Widely Used/Typical Recipe in the Industry

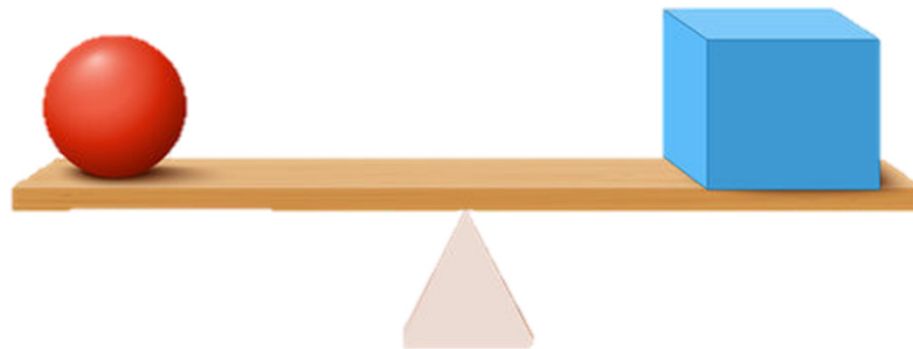
Industry Strategy:
**AI/ML (discrete, siloed
by document type)**



**Content/data
Standardization**

Recipe for Success

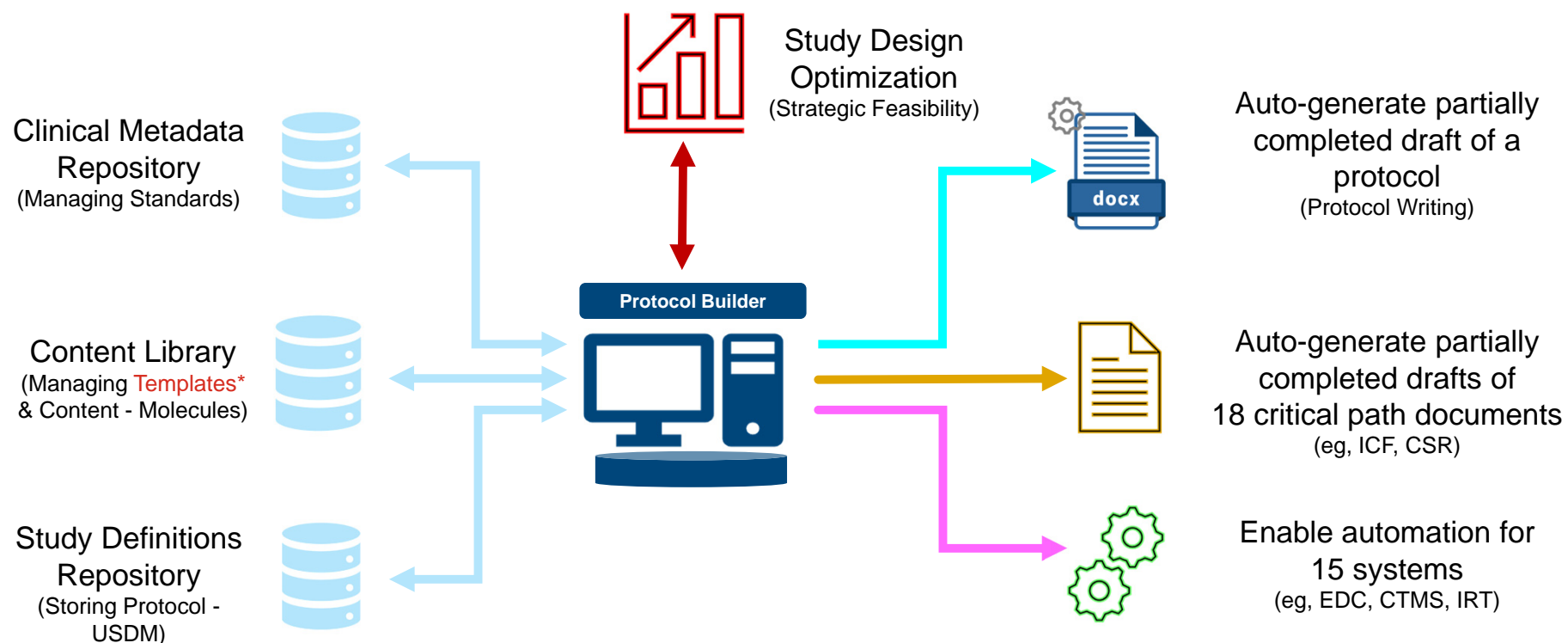
BeOne Strategy:
AI/ML (disruptive,
CCR connectivity)



**Content/data
Standardization +
Development Data
Flow
+
Building Repository**

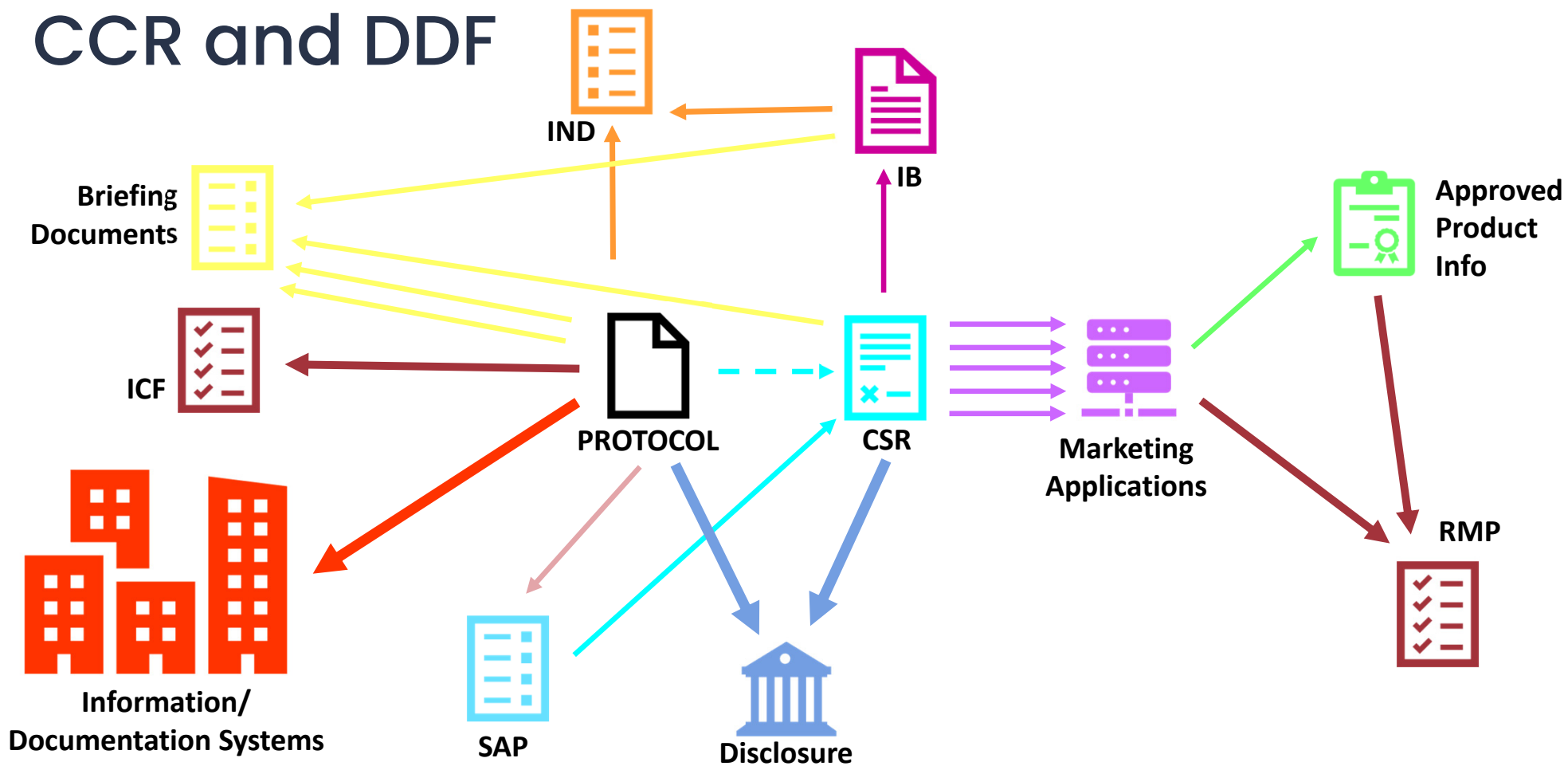
BeOne adoption: Looking ahead to ~18 documents and multiple systems

Protocol Builder Vision



*Template_Protocol based on TransCelerate Common Protocol Template (CPT)

CCR and DDF



Networking effect

Productivity improvement (time & resource)

Better quality (consistency)

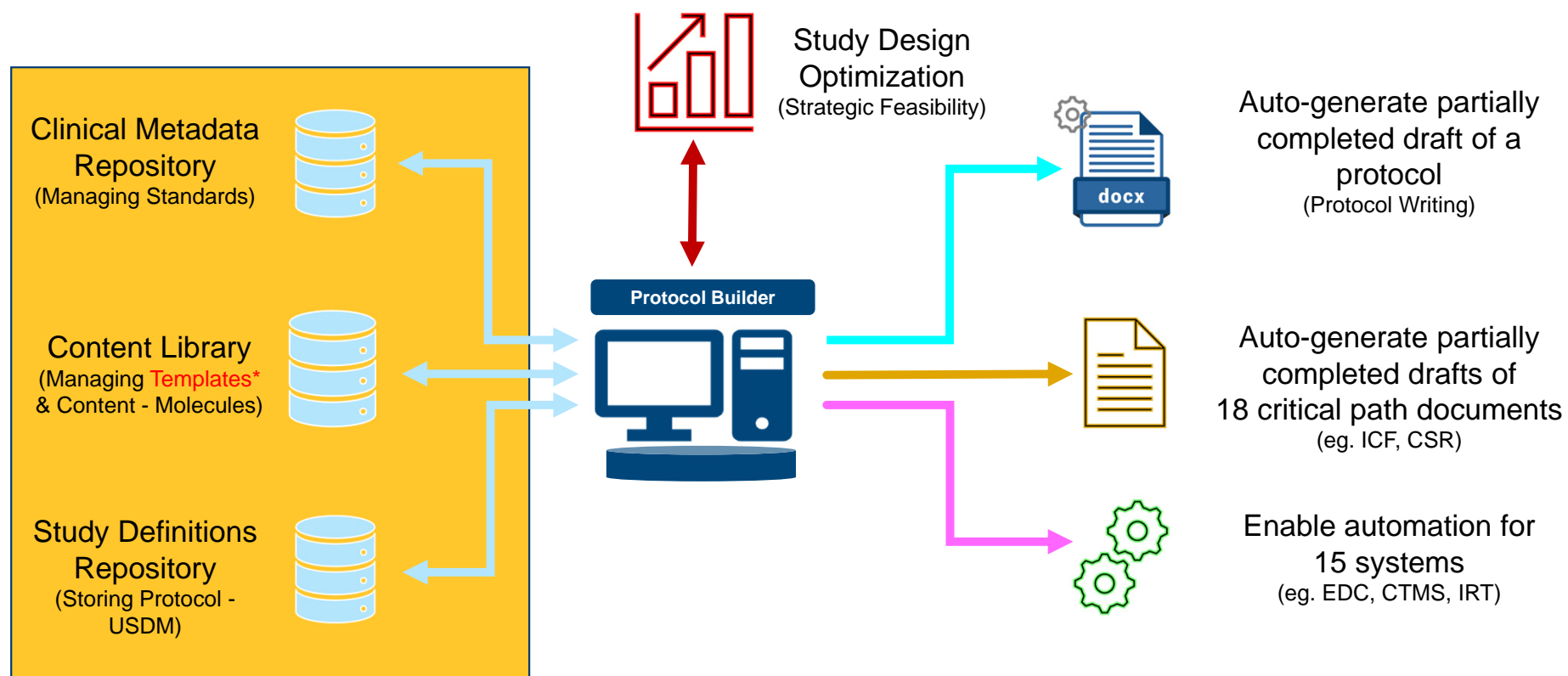
Value of Clinical Content Reuse (CCR): Documents and Systems

Document Type	Information/Documentation Systems
IB/IB updated	Electronic documentation systems
Original protocol, protocol amendment	CTMS, IRT
CSR (all types)	EDC
Module 2 and other documents to support IND, NDA, BLA	Safety reporting system
ADR, safety reports	CT.gov, Sponsor → Science → Clinical-Trials
Briefing documents	Learning systems
Pediatric documents	Finance platforms
RMP	

Understanding the volume and complexity

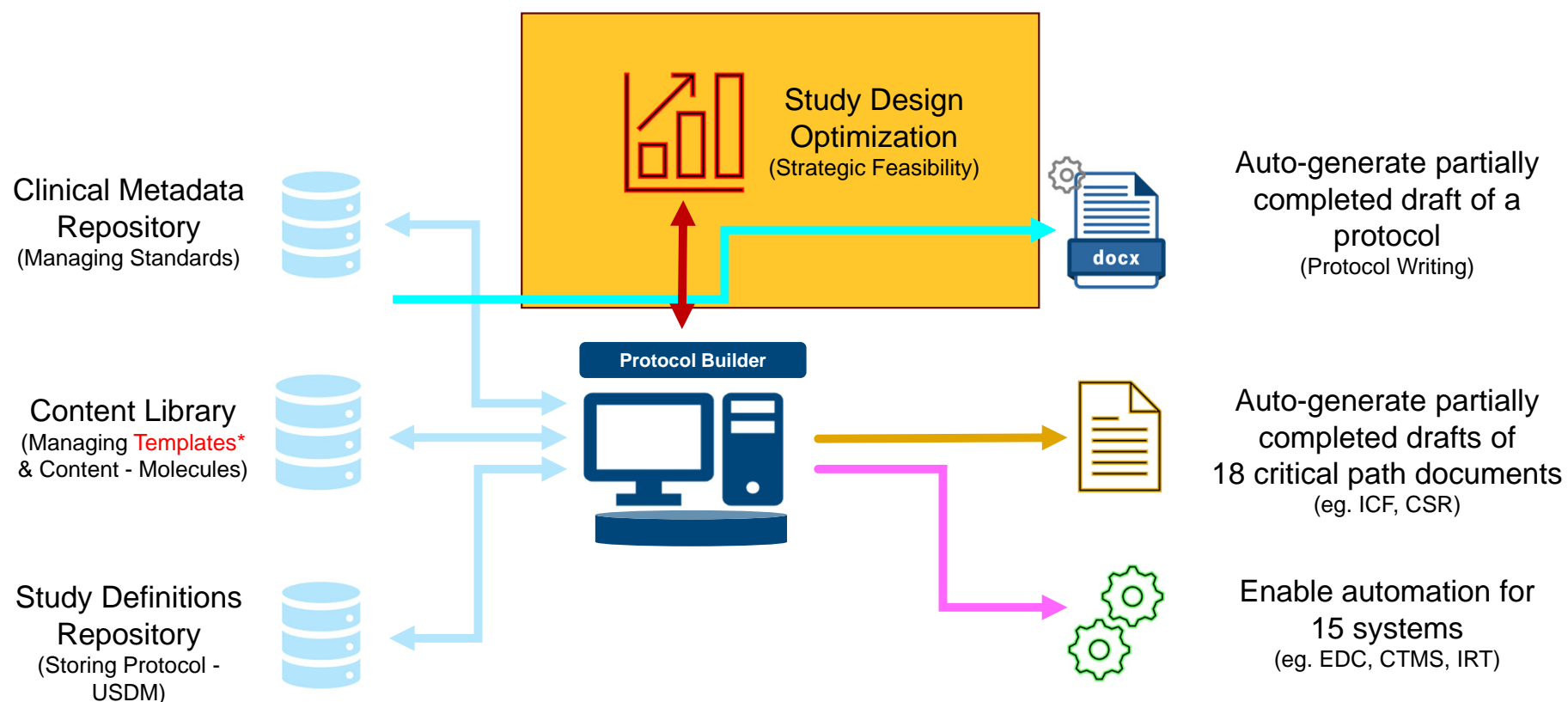
Exponential Value of CCR = (~18 critical document types) x (~15 key systems) x (No. of Users)

Protocol Builder Vision



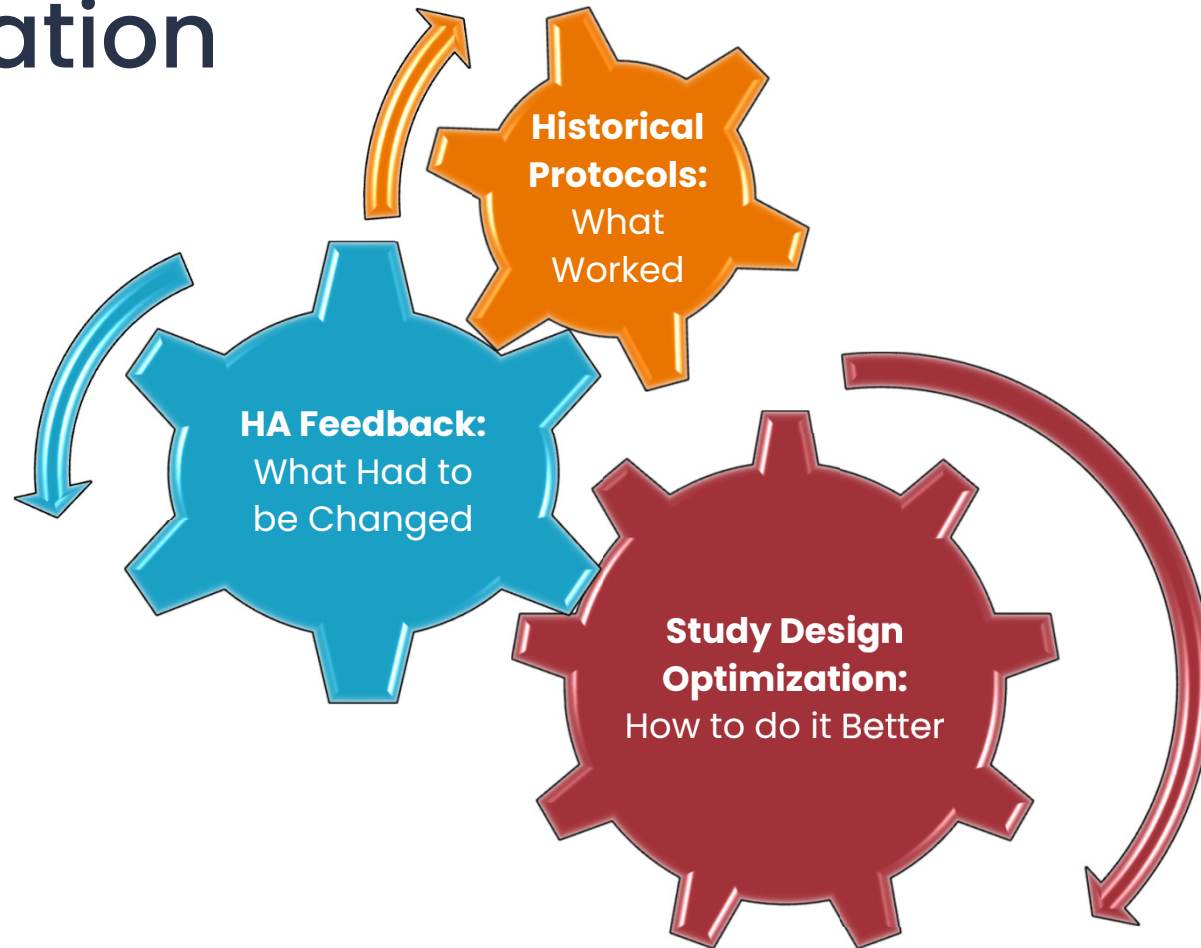
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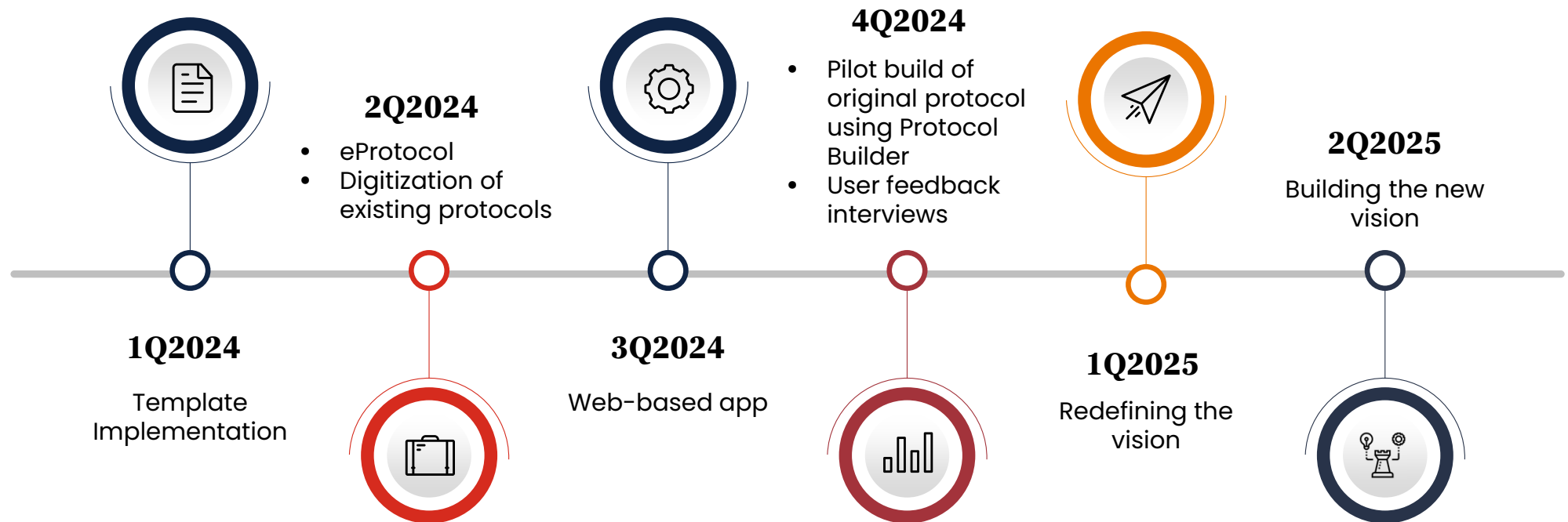


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Optimization



Roadmap – Destination 1: Building a Protocol



Modifying the Vision – Looking through the User Lens

Is the platform easy to use?

- Web-based app
- MS Word-based environment

How does it facilitate the process?

- What features allow the user to significantly decrease time?
- What features are nice to have but not real value added

What is needed for successful change management?

- What does minimum viable product (MVP) mean to the user?
- Focus on completion of parts vs. overall benefit picture

Modifying the Vision – Parallel Paths to Achieve More


SoA Builder



Clinical
Metadata
Content
Library
Study
Definitions



***Repositories**


Draft
Protocol

Per SOP



Final Approved
Protocol



eProtocol Suite – Microsoft Word Add-in
3 key business needs -- AI assist, manage content library,
and template compliance checks



Enable automation
for downstream
systems
(eg. EDC, CTMS, IRT)



Auto-generate partially
completed drafts of
critical path documents
(eg. Contracts, ICF, CSR)

Study Startup Activities

*Repositories – Clinical Metadata Repository managing standards, content library managing templates and content reuse, study definitions storing Protocol Information (TransCelerate/CDISC USDM)

Recipe for Success

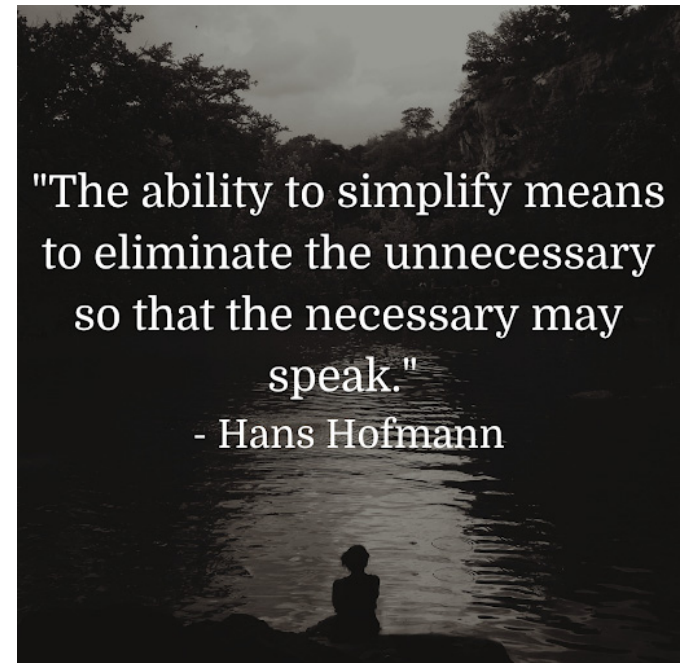


- 1 cup AI
- 1 cup Automation
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup CCR
- ?
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Strategic Writing

- Strategic Writing is about writing for your Audience
- Write with the reviewer in mind; not just their background but how and why they review
- Documents must be:
 - ✓ Usable: They must be able to easily find what they are looking for
 - ✓ Readable: Electronic reviewing lends itself to skim reading

Source: Cuppan and Bernhardt Writing for the Biopharmaceutical Regulatory Reader
<https://a.co/fqDdDpp>



"The ability to simplify means
to eliminate the unnecessary
so that the necessary may
speak."

- Hans Hofmann

Strategic Writing

Before

78 patients were included in the Efficacy Analysis set for Primary Analysis. Results of Study █████ showed that in patients with █████, treatment with █████ resulted in high response rate, deep response, and rapid response. In the Efficacy Analysis Set for Primary Analysis excluding 18 patients (N=60) (Table 3):

- The ORR assessed by IRC was high (76.7%), with p value of < 0.0001 to reject the null hypothesis of ORR of 40%.
 - Subgroup analyses showed that benefit in ORR per IRC assessment was generally observed across all predefined subgroups, including subgroups that have traditionally responded poorly to therapy (eg, those with cytogenic abnormalities).
- The complete response rate was 20.0%.
 - Among the patients with CR/CRi as assessed by IRC, 50.0% and 50.0% of patients had best blood and bone marrow MRD negativity ($< 10^{-4}$), respectively.
- Responses occurred rapidly, as evidenced by the median TTR of 3.70 months.
- DOR, PFS and OS were not mature as of the data cutoff date.
 - The median DOR by IRC was not reached; the event-free rate at 6 months was 87.1%.
 - The median PFS by IRC was not reached; PFS at 6 months was 87.3%.
 - The median OS was not reached; OS at 6 months was 95.0%.
- Efficacy results in the Efficacy Analysis Set for Primary Analysis (N=78) were consistent with those in Efficacy Analysis Set for Primary Analysis excluding 18 patients.
- Efficacy results as assessed by the investigator, including ORR, DOR, TTR, PFS, and OS, were similar to the IRC assessment.

Strategic Writing

- **Make good use of cross-reference to intext tables**
- **Provide key messages**
- **Highlight the important numbers**

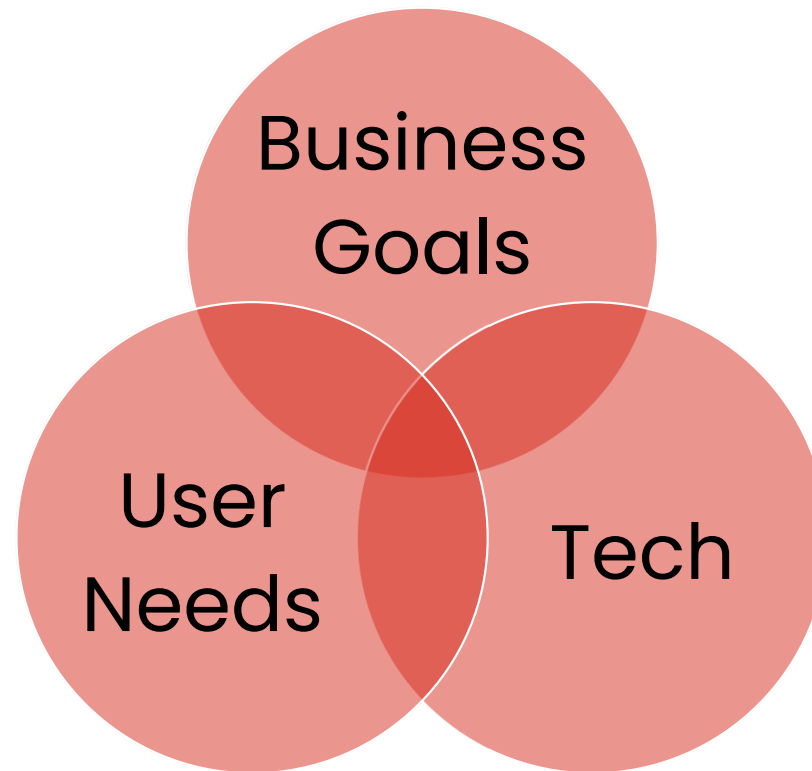
After

Efficacy analyses showed that treatment with [REDACTED] resulted in high response rates with rapid and deep responses in patients with [REDACTED] who have failed treatment with [REDACTED] as evidenced by high ORR, high complete response rate, high best undetectable MRD rate and short time to response in both Efficacy Analysis Set and Efficacy Analysis Set excluding 18 patients (Table 3 and Table 15).

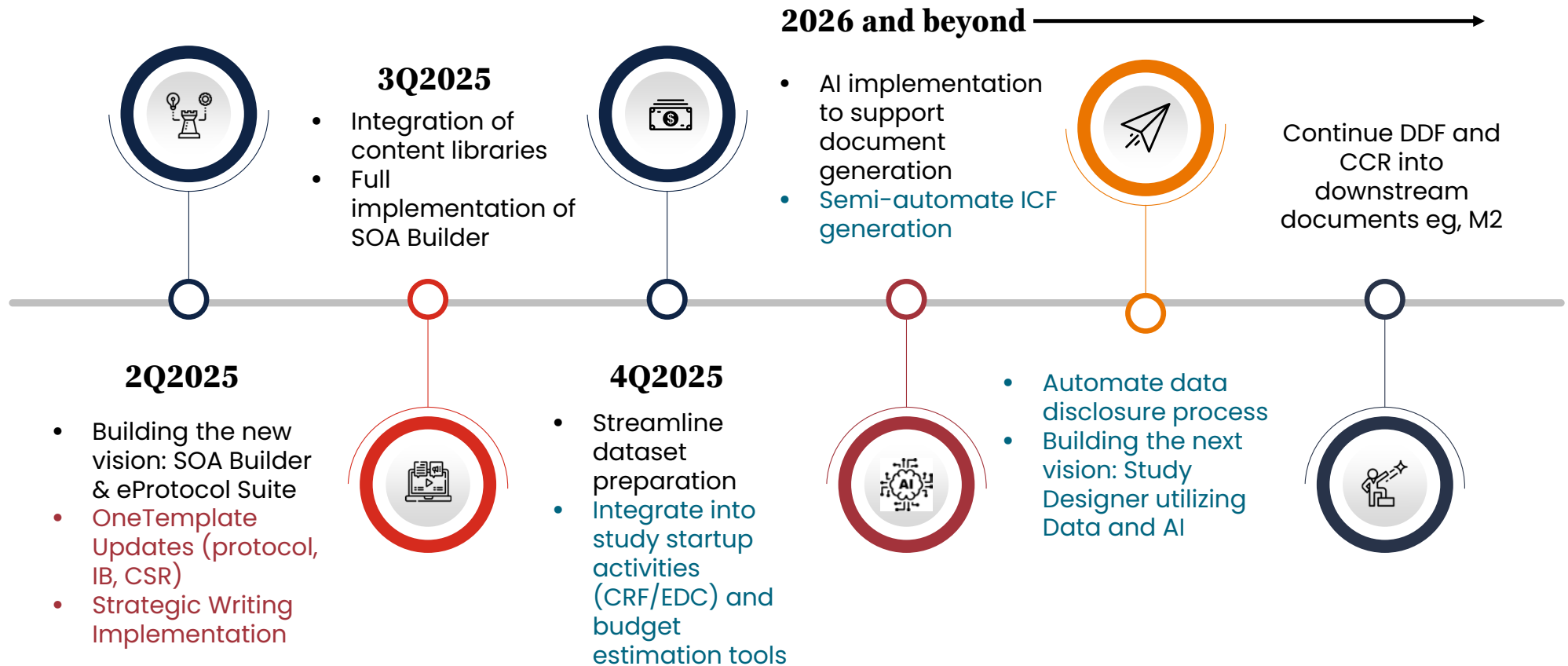
DOR, PFS and OS were not mature as of the data cutoff date, with median DOR, PFS, and OS not being reached. For DOR, event-free rate at 6 months was high (Table 3).

Efficacy results in the Efficacy Analysis Set (N = 100) were consistent with those in Efficacy Analysis Set excluding 18 patients (N = 82).

Technology vs Business Needs



BeOne Roadmap – Parallel Paths to the Pinnacle



People, Process, Technology: Together to the Summit

Approval and Market

The People:

- ✓ Clinical Development
- ✓ Clinical Operations
- ✓ Statistics
- ✓ Safety
- ✓ Regulatory
- ✓ Clinical Pharmacology and Biomarkers

The Process:

- ✓ Clear roles and responsibilities
- ✓ Writing and reviewing best practices
- ✓ Standard timelines and steps

The Technology:

- ✓ SoA Builder
- ✓ eProtocol Suite
- ✓ CCR/DDF
- ✓ AI/LLM





Use Case Overview



Use Case Overview



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Foundations and Patient
Experience



Digital Study Design Use Case Library

What is it, Why do we need it,
How to use it and Next Steps

Presented by: Don Jennings & Chi Vo

DDF Mission Possible Event
September 24-25, 2025



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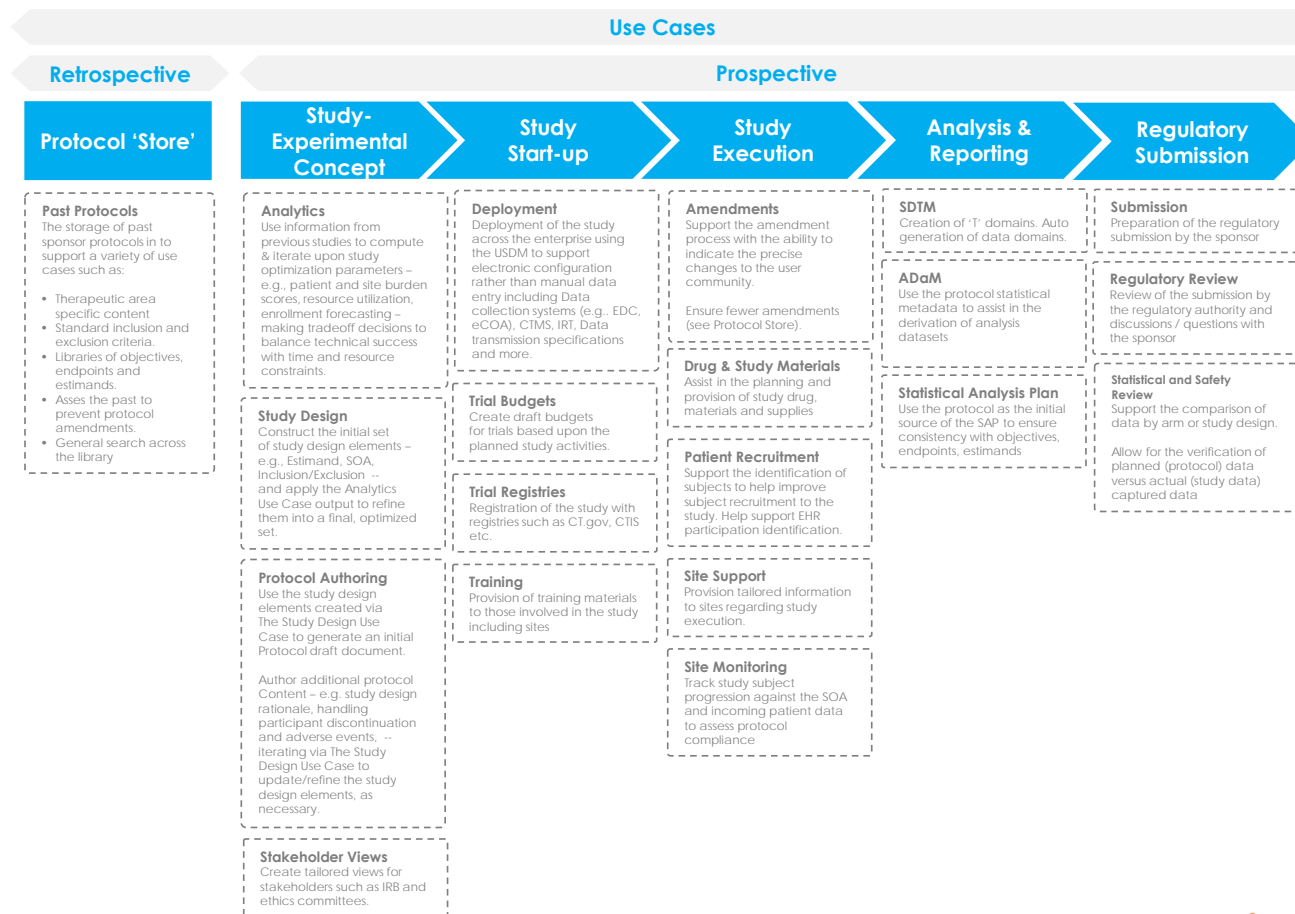
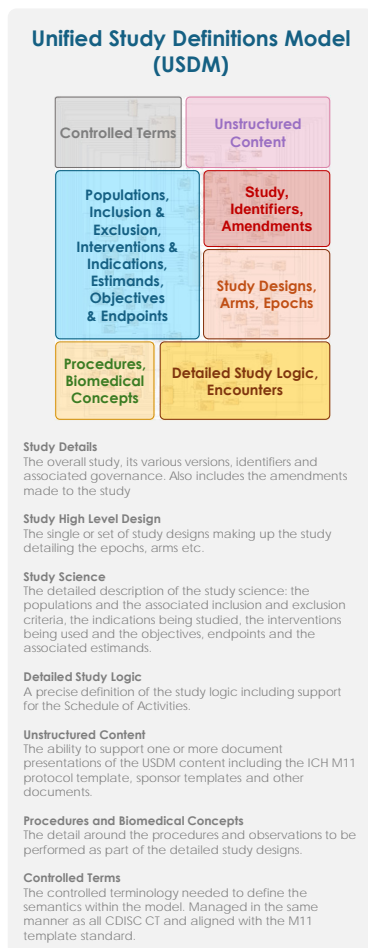
This Presentation and the forthcoming Library are intended to advance further discussion, collaboration and free flow of ideas.

The work presented here details common elements and examples of factors that organizations may encounter when initiating a Digital Study Design/Digital Data Flow transformation. They are not intended to outline the only possibilities for achieving scalable Digital Study Design or to **do not constitute a recommendation to adopt** or approve a particular system or a system with particular elements or features .

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Digital Study Design-USDM Use Case Summary



What, Why, How and Next Steps

What is the Digital Study Design Use Case Library?

- A resource that captures current thinking & knowledge on the utility of Digital Study Design Adoption
- Provides a “Rosetta Stone” of definition and taxonomy for sharing concepts between stakeholders

Why do we want a Use Case Library?

- Describe various use cases that industry can deploy to gain value from Digital Study Design
- Give stakeholders an understanding of the potential value created from adoption
- Initiate a proposed framework for considering and capturing the impact of DSD adoption across the broader Healthcare Community – i.e., Providers, Patients, Regulators, Investigators, Sponsors

How to use the Library?

- Up First!

What are the next Steps?

- Up Second!

How to use the Library

What is a Use Case?

Use cases capture proposed schemas for a Product or *System of Interest* by telling a story about how users interact with it to accomplish something

- They describe the expected behavior of the *System of Interest* (the *What*), and not the exact method of making it happen (the *How*).
- They help designers understand the *System of Interest* from the end user's perspective by specifying all externally visible behavior.

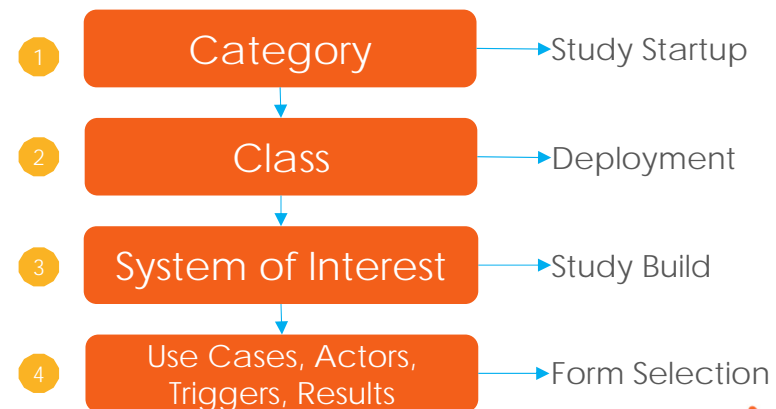
The Library organizes use cases into a four-level hierarchy

Each level aggregates – i.e. “contains”-- elements of subsequent levels

Specific use cases are addressed by their full hierarchy name. For Example:

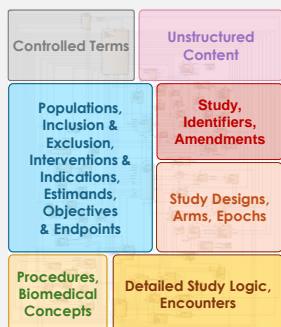
Study Startup: Deployment: Study Build: Form Selection

Examples



How to Use the Library Categories

Unified Study Definitions Model (USDM)



Study Details

The overall study, its various versions, identifiers and associated governance. Also includes the amendments made to the study

Study High Level Design

The single or set of study designs making up the study detailing the epochs, arms etc.

Study Science

The detailed description of the study science: the populations and the associated inclusion and exclusion criteria, the indications being studied, the interventions being used and the objectives, endpoints and the associated estimands.

Detailed Study Logic

A precise definition of the study logic including support for the Schedule of Activities.

Unstructured Content

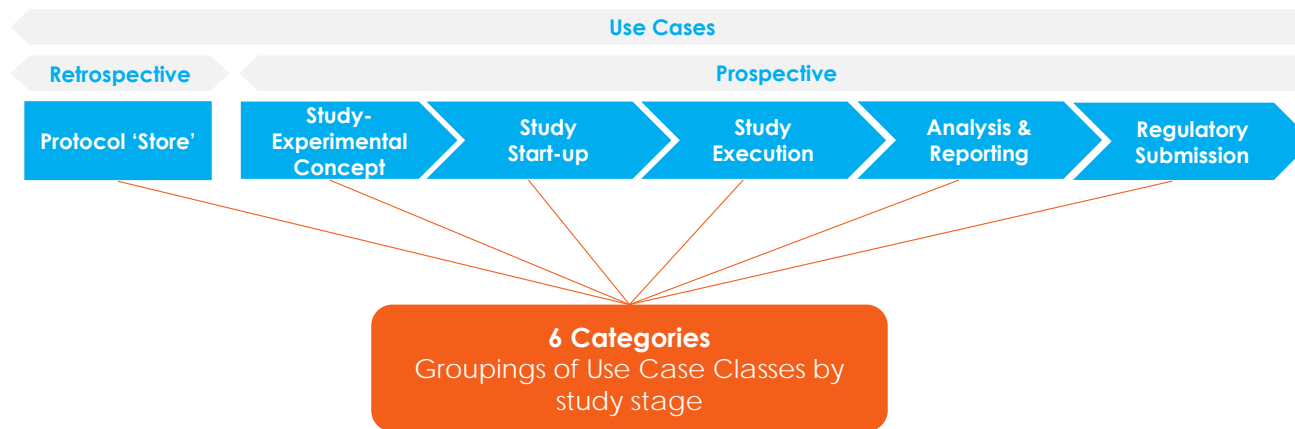
The ability to support one or more document presentations of the USDM content including the ICH M11 protocol template, sponsor templates and other documents.

Procedures and Biomedical Concepts

The detail around the procedures and observations to be performed as part of the detailed study designs.

Controlled Terms

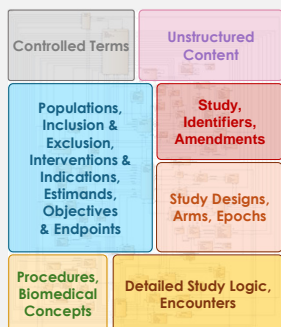
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How to use the Library Classes

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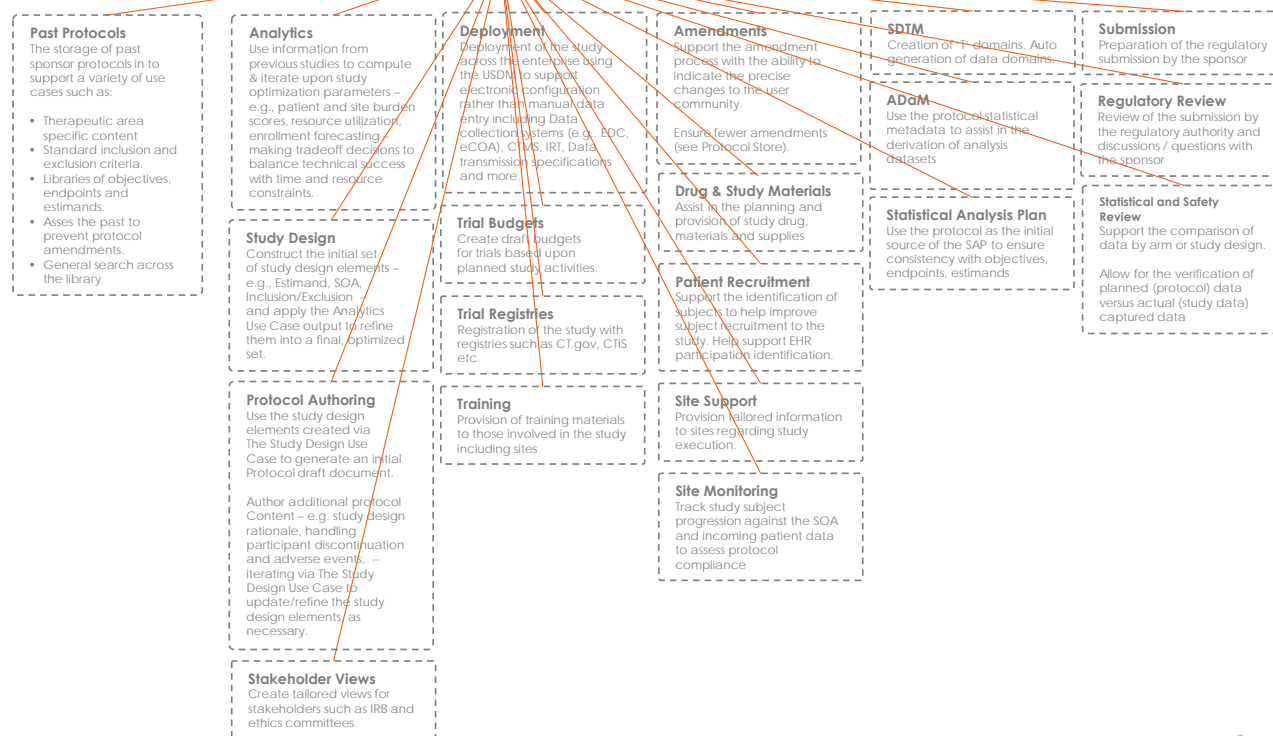
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20 Classes Groupings of Use Case Systems within a study stage

Each Class contains one or more
Systems of Interest



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How to use the Library

System of Interest Example: Study Startup: Trial Registry: Trial Registries

Upload Study to Registry

Trigger

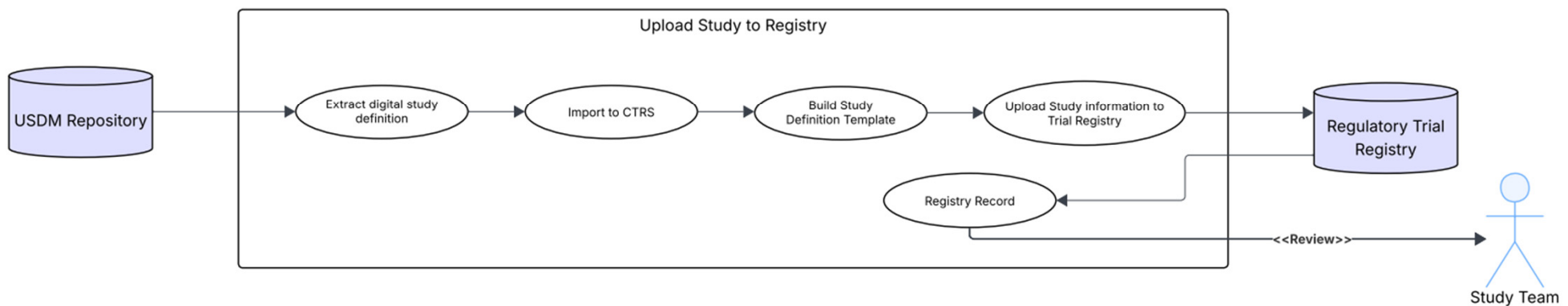
A Sponsor registers a new study with a Regulatory Agency.

Primary Scenario

The System selects a study and study version from the USDM Respository, imports the the digital study definition into its Clinical Trial Reporting System (CTRS), and populates a registry template. The template is uploaded to the Regulator's Trial Registry system and a Registry Record, along with any potential errors, is returned to the Sponsor.

Result

The Sponsor's Study Team reviews the Registry Record, along with any returned errors, to determine if the study's registry is as expected.



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How to use the Library

Use Case Components

Scenario

A textual description of the sequence of executed functions from input to output, including the Triggering event and Result

System of Interest Boundary

Groups Use Cases into clinical functions that define a given Scenario

System of Interest Name

Upload Study to Registry

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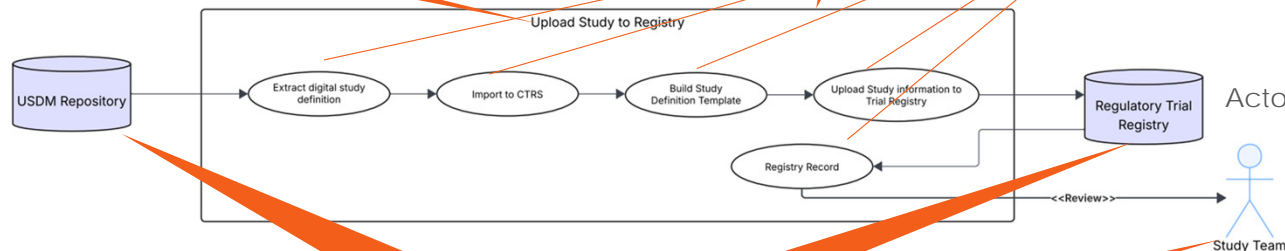
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Use Cases

A function of the System that does something in the execution of a Scenario

Typically
Actors that trigger or Provide
inputs are drawn on the Left



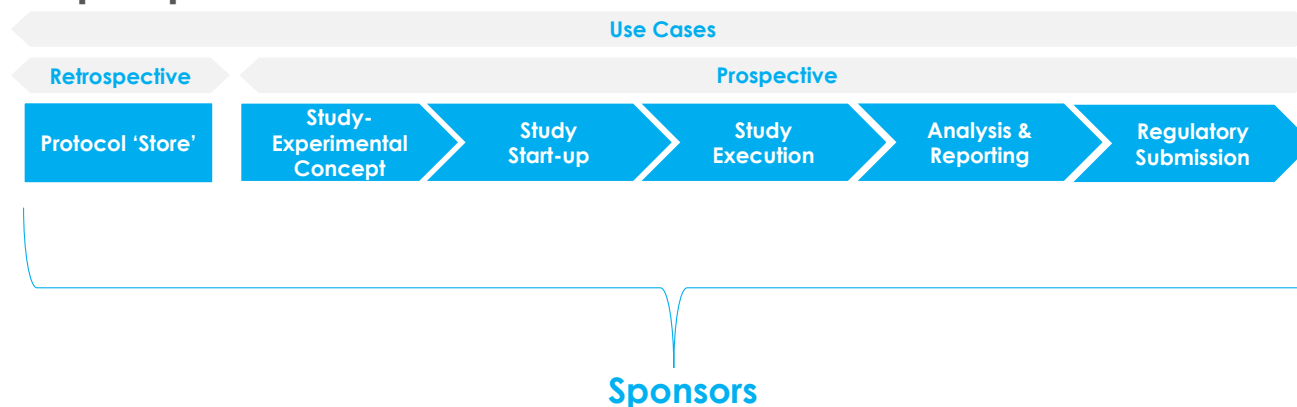
Typically
Actors that expect outputs are
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Actors

Someone or thing that interacts with the System, either having a responsibility (inputs) or expectations (outputs)

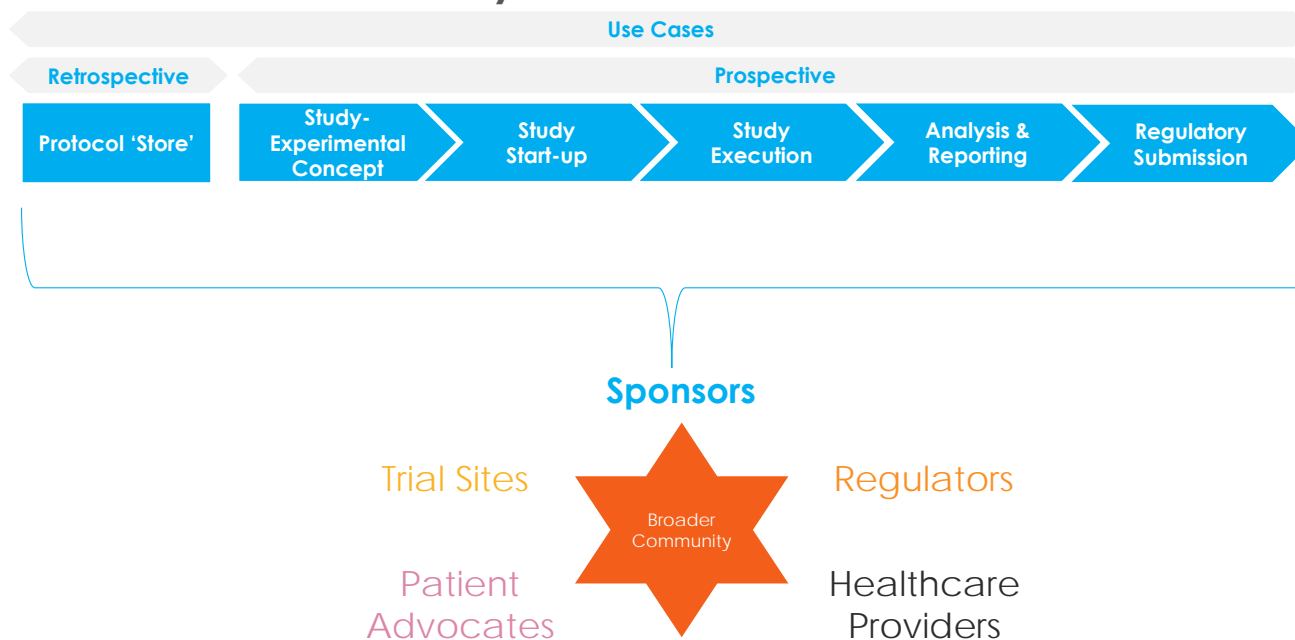
What is next?

Sponsor-centric perspective



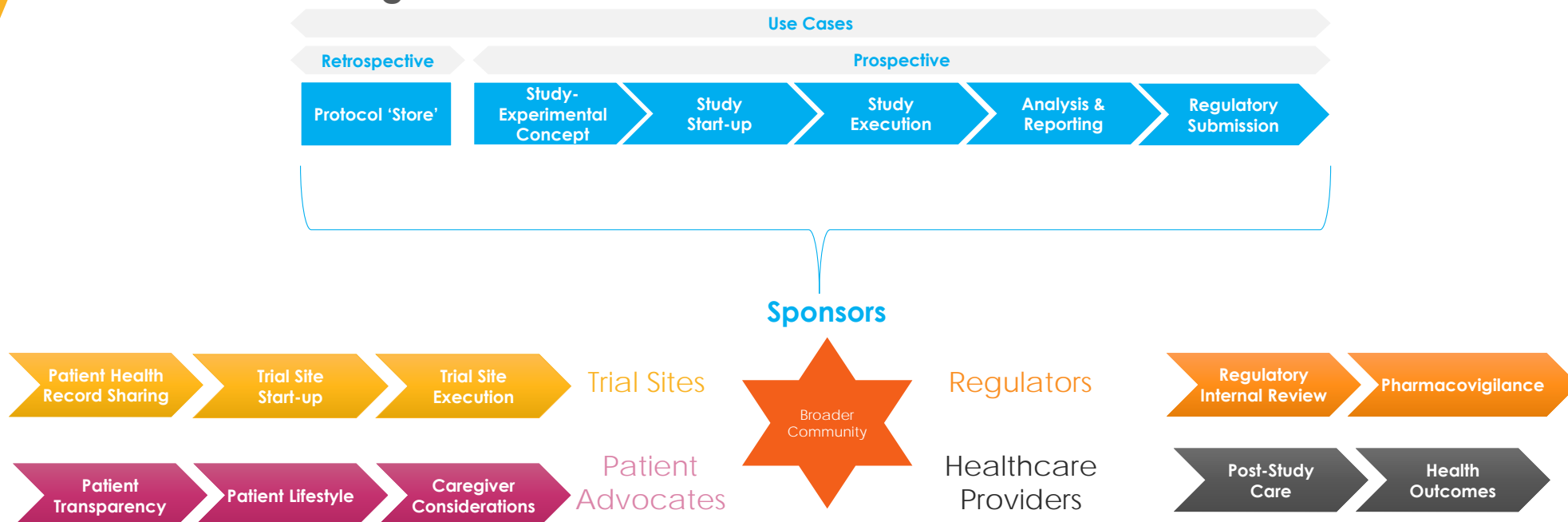
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Expansion to the Broader Community



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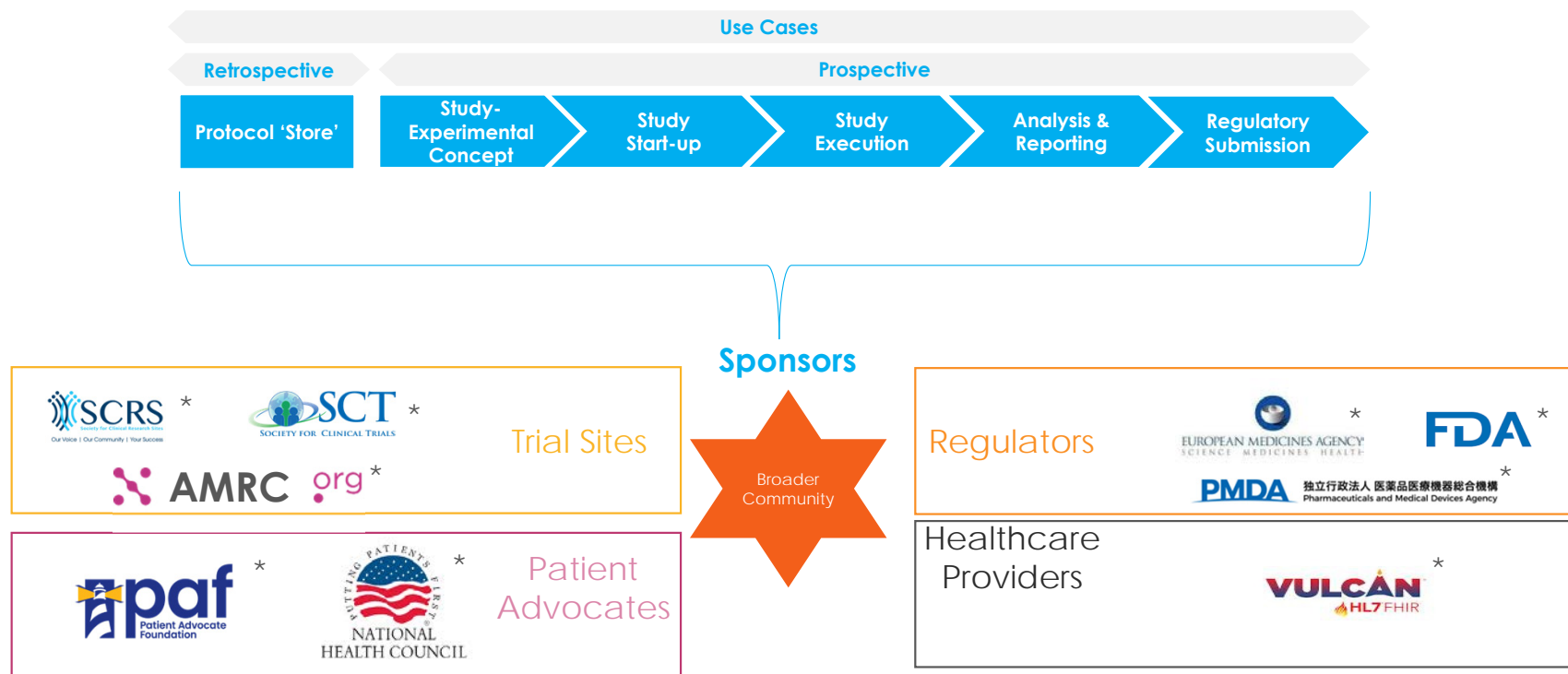
Possible New Categories



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Possible New Collaborators



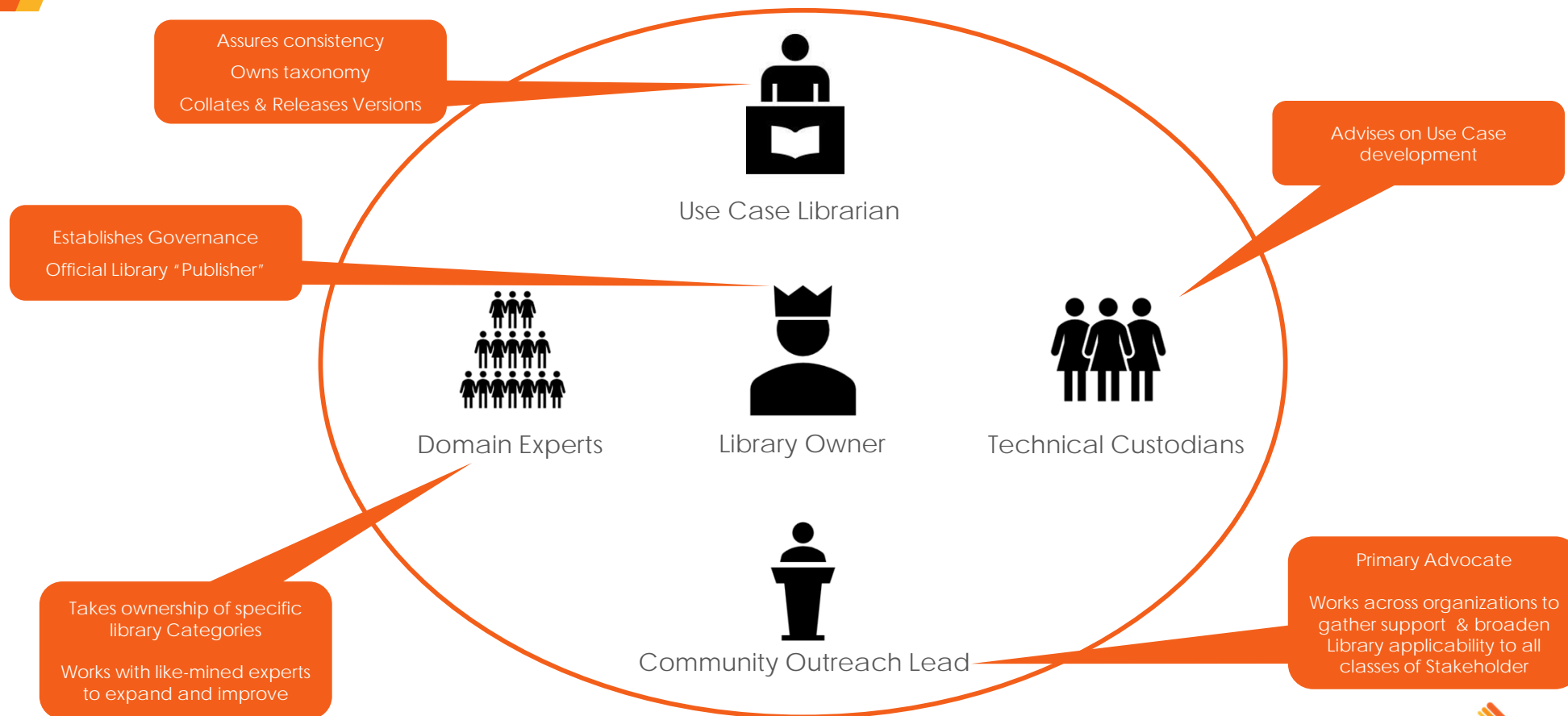
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What is next?

Potential Future Governance & Continuous Improvement of Use Cases



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Unclear at this time what organizations or groups would assume responsibility for any role

Summary & Closing Remarks

What & Why

Capture current understanding with a proposed framework to catalyze further discussion & collaboration

How

4 Level Hierarchy utilizing UML
Captures proposed approaches for how end-users accomplish things

Next Steps

Expand scope, add new Categories & Collaborators
Establish Governance & appoint Domain Experts to Steward

Library Access

To Be Provided URL and/or Barcode

Need Volunteers

If you are interested in managing a use case Category as a Domain Expert please let us know.

Have Questions?

Please contact us!

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Digital Data Flow: Mission Possible!

Practical approaches for protocol digitalization

Day 2 – September 25, 2025



The Future of Digital Protocols: Regulatory and Health IT Perspectives



The Future of Digital Protocols



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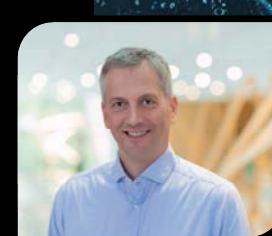
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Learnings from Early Adopters



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Yann Nouet

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Innovation Lead



Start with pre-submitted questions:

1. Summarize what you presented last year.
2. What progress has your organization made over the last year?
3. What are the barriers that have been addressed or removed?
4. What challenges to implementation remain?
5. What are your organization's aspirations moving forward?



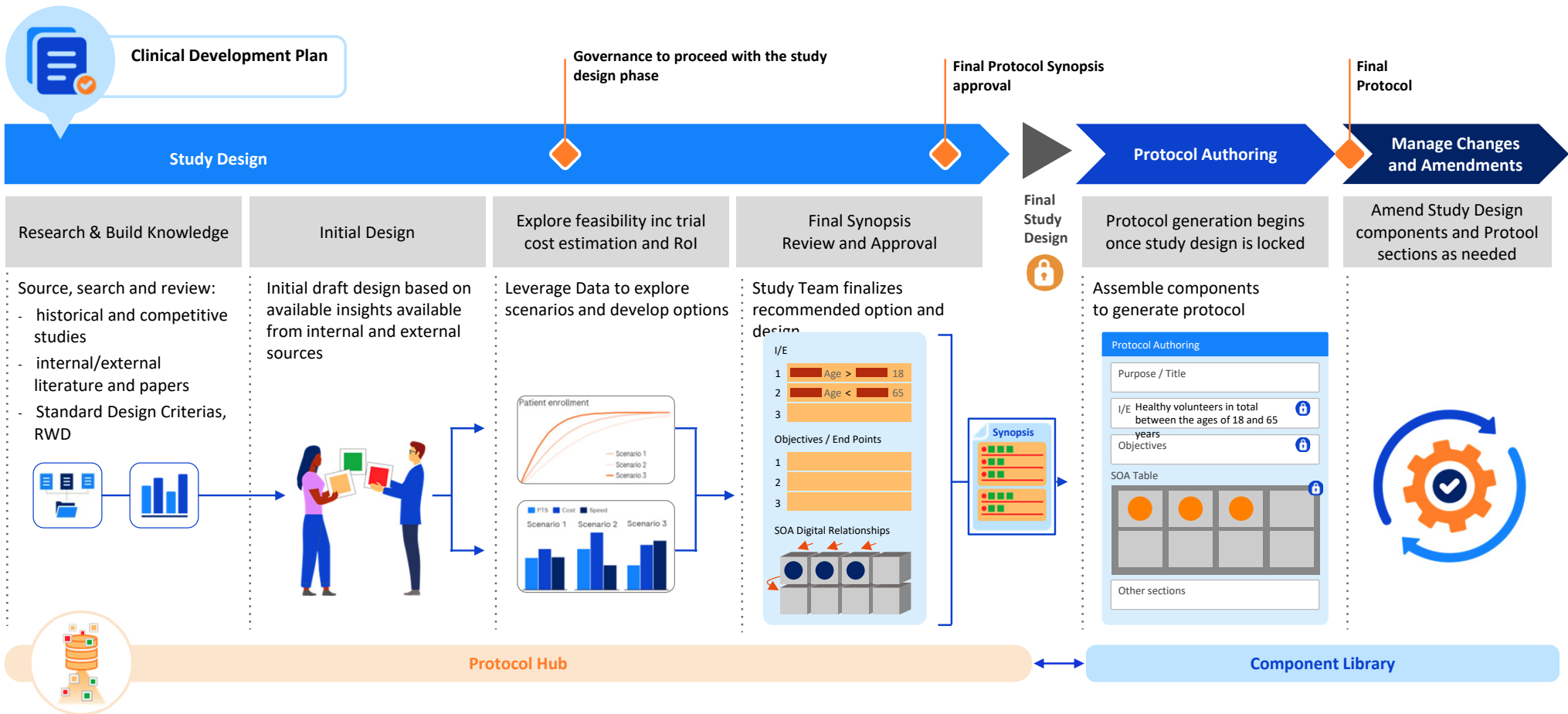


Case Study Recap:

How can we unlock the power of data and technology to transform study design and protocol generation?







Digitization



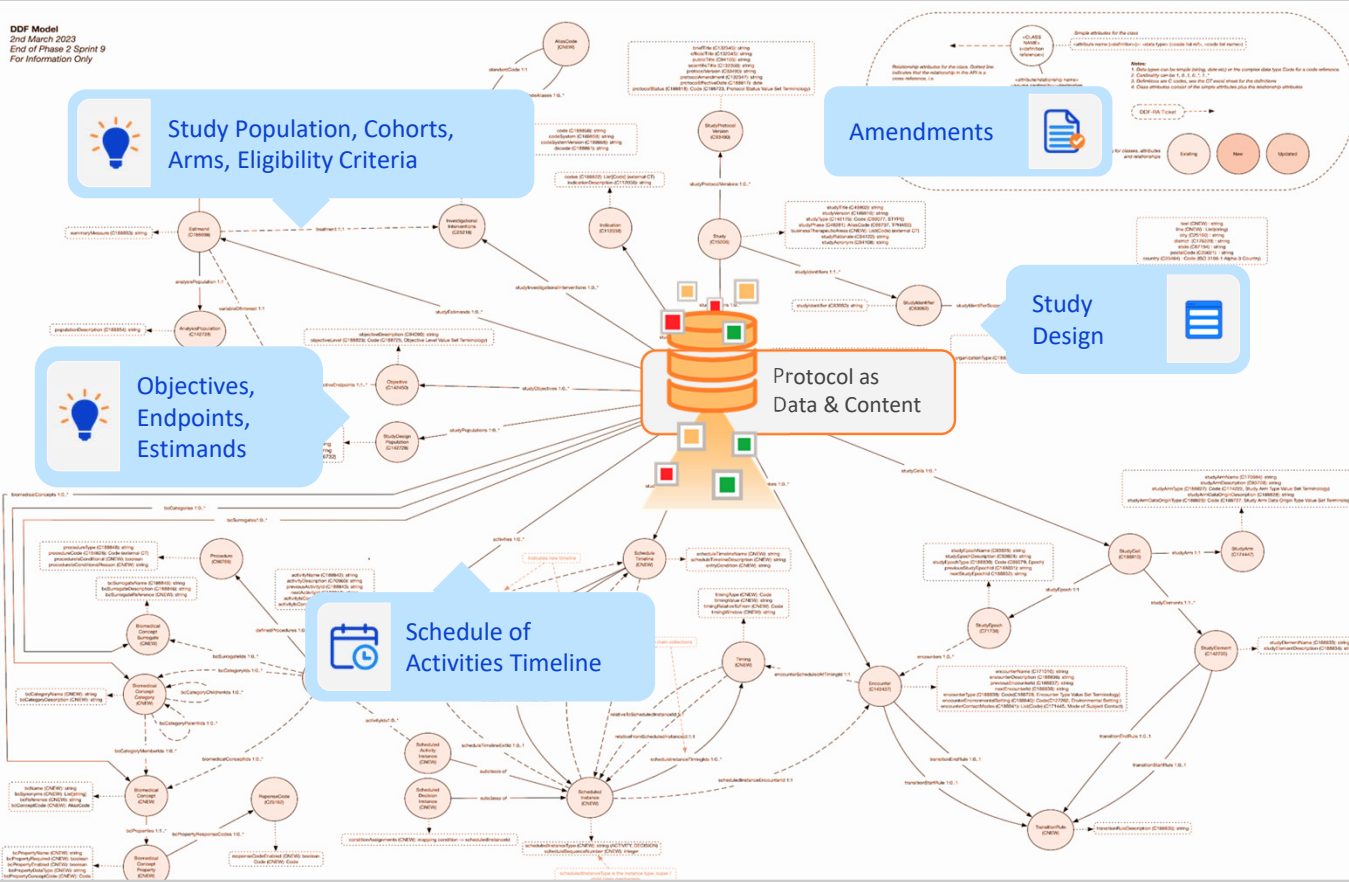
Converts existing **documents** into **digital data** by extracting and deconstructing sentences or paragraphs

Digitalization



Real-time data acquisition and **integration** into digital processes using digital tools

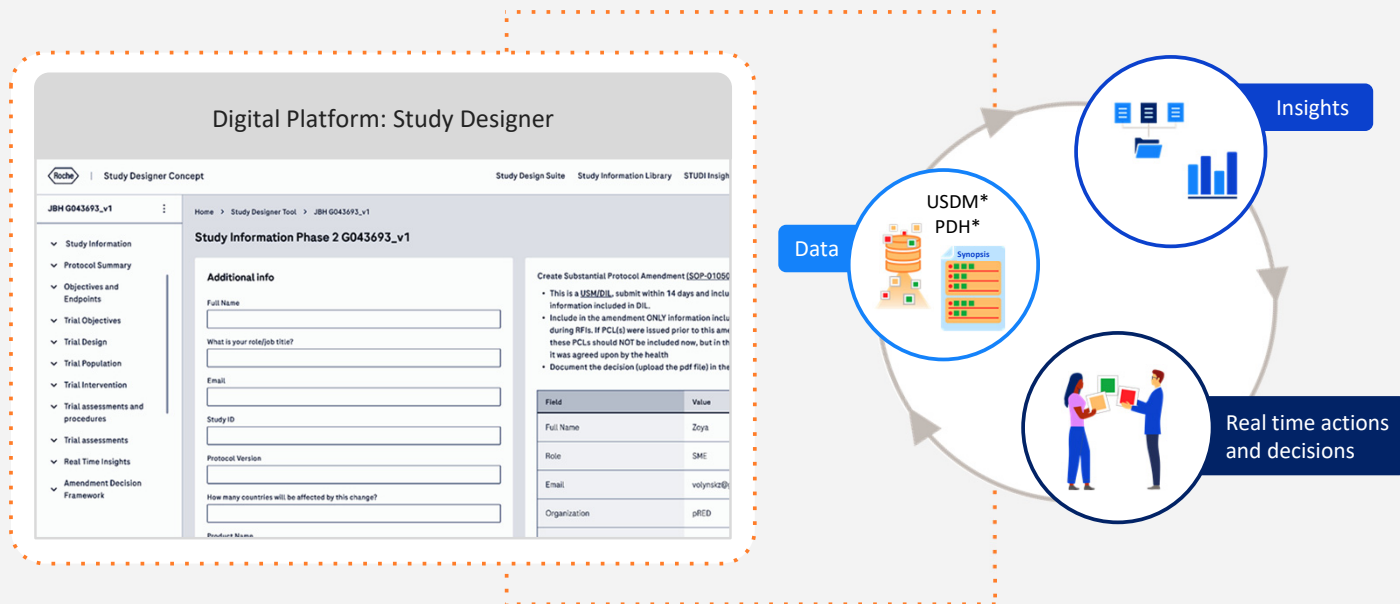
DDF Model
2nd March 2023
End of Phase 2 Sprint 9
For Information Only



One Roche Template M11 Compliant

500+
Design Elements
derived from
30
Section/
Subsections

Leverages Unified Study Definitions Model (USDM):
A standardized model developed by Transcelerate and CDISC, USDM enables Roche to achieve interoperability between multiple solutions within the organization that require protocol data.



- **Digitalized** study designs from inception
- **Actionable insights** to inform decisions
- **Real-time refinement** of study designs using available insights

USDM *Unified Study Definitions Model*
PDH *Protocol Data Hub*

So can we think of a Study Designer that offers....

Easy to Use and Ready for Collaboration across multiple functions

Comprehensive Study design

Real-Time Data-Driven Insights from SOA
to optimize Study design

Interoperability of Study Design
Data & Content

Building Data-Driven Schedule of
Assessments (SOA)

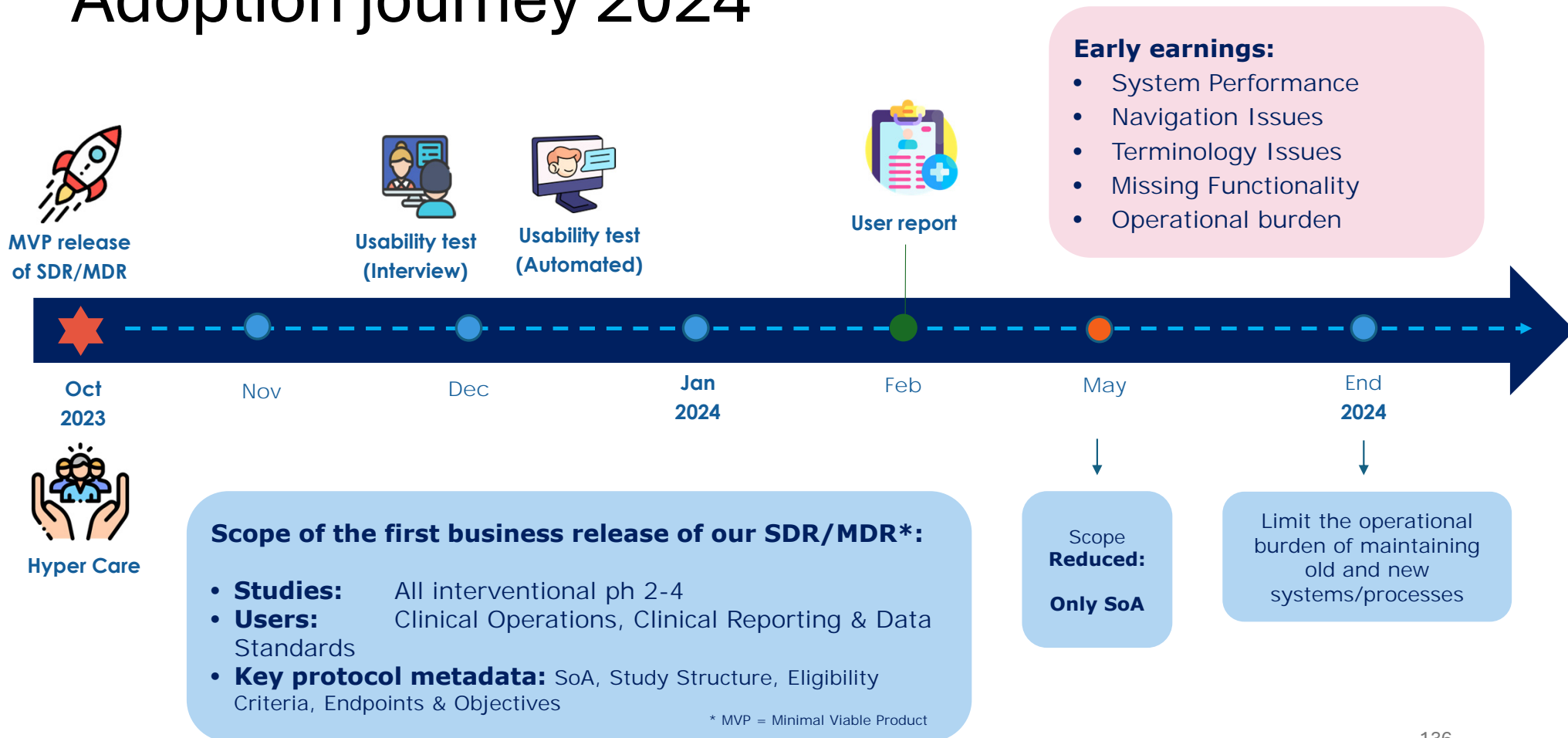


Case Study Recap:

Adoption of Digital Data Flow



Adoption journey 2024

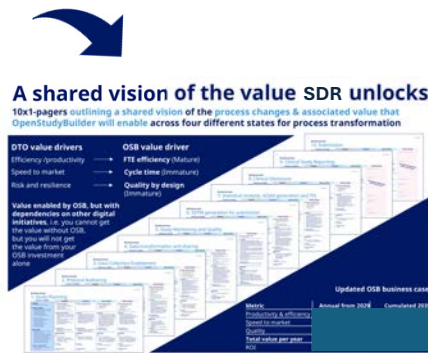


Adoption journey update (2025)

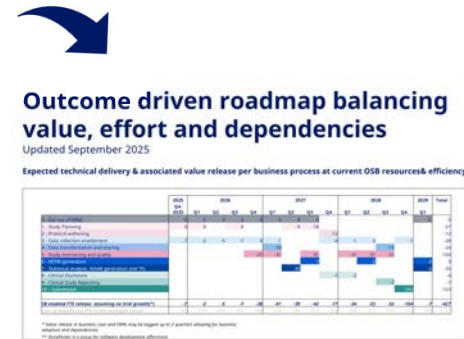
The business processes that SDR improves
by establishing a single, standardized source of truth for digital study design specifications



Product vision & mission



Value framework & business case



Outcome based roadmap



Defined Objectives & Key Results

Current status:

- As of 01-Oct-2025 we specify the SoA for the protocol for all of our interventional studies (ph1-4) in or SDR/MDR
- Data collection enablement soon a reality
- End2End metadata linking the focus of 2026

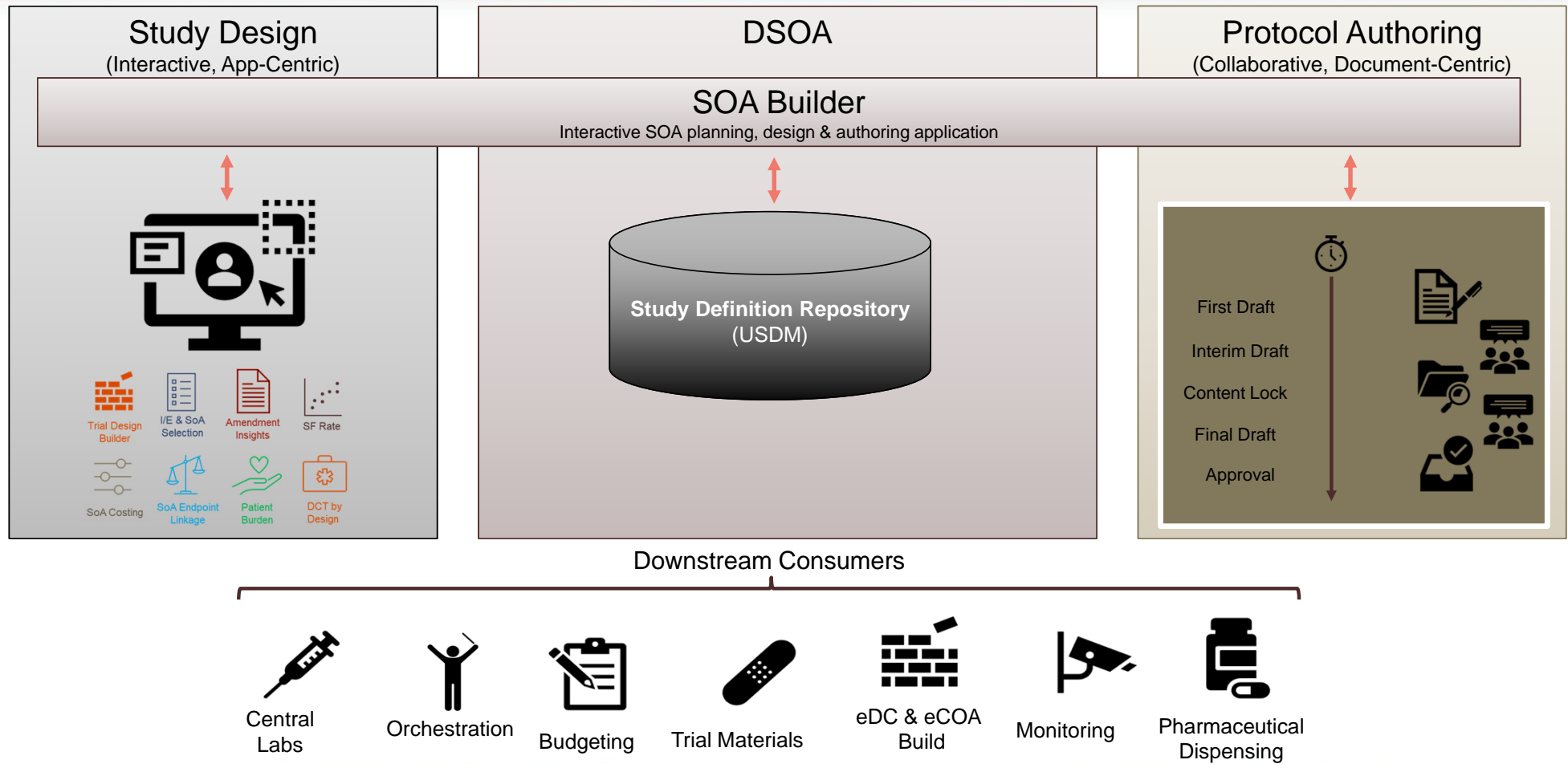


Case Study Recap:

**The Digital Schedule of Activities (DSOA) – Using Digital
Dat Flow for Portfolio Acceleration**



DSOA Target State (Scale)





Ask a Question

Scan the QR code or go to:
novartis.pigeonhole.at

Enter passcode:
MCPMK3T2

LEARNINGS FROM
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Solution Provider Poster Session





Action Toolkit & Survey





Action Toolkit



Digital Data Flow (DDF) Website

Primary website for DDF



CDISC DDF Website

Explore & access the USDM



TransCelerate DDF Initiative

Discover the initiative background

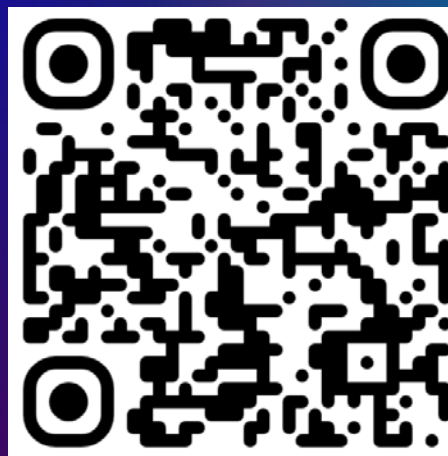


DDF GitHub Repository

*Review & access the SDR Reference
Implementation.*



GIVE
US
YOUR
FEEDBACK



SCAN ME



Announcements & Close



Announcing the TransCelerate- SCOPE ClinEco Solve Challenge!

The SCOPE-ClinEco Solve challenge is designed to crowdsource innovative solutions from across the clinical research ecosystem

Problem Statement:

Protocol review today is cumbersome and inefficient. Reviewers must navigate lengthy, complex documents, manually extract relevant information and transcribe it into downstream solutions leading to errors, delays and unnecessary amendments. The challenge is to demonstrate how digital protocols in USDM standard format can enable more efficient, accurate and stakeholder specific review processes.

How to Participate:

Participants will submit a short written abstract outlining what they would like to showcase relative to the challenge. These abstracts will then be used as the basis to select a set of finalists who will be invited to submit a short video that demonstrates how their solution meets the challenge.

Winners will be announced at the SCOPE Summit 2026 plenary in February 2026 and featured on the ClinEco platform!

TransCelerate Protocol Review Challenge: Reimagining How We Review Clinical Protocols

Submission deadline: Oct 24, 2025

Today's protocol review process is cumbersome and inefficient. Reviewers navigate lengthy, complex documents, extract relevant details manually, and re-enter information into downstream systems. This creates errors, delays, and unnecessary amendments.

Challenge: Demonstrate improved review capabilities that can be realized utilizing a USDM digital protocol providing certain stakeholder groups with a dynamic and digital protocol review solution. Consider the review process by sponsors, CRO's, sites, patients and/or health authorities. Solutions might include, but are not limited to:

- Persona specific views e.g. medical writer, clinician, medical expert, safety scientist, statistician, regulatory manager, PK scientist, data manager, drug supply manager, clinical project manager
- Automated content consistency checks against protocol content review guidelines or best practices e.g. [ICH E6 \(R3\)](#), [SPIRIT Protocol Checklist](#)
- The ability to publish the digital protocol in different standard document formats e.g. following the [ICH M11 Template](#), the [TransCelerate Common Protocol Template](#), [NIH FDA Protocol Template](#) with links between the native digital and document views
- Connections to relevant external data sources and the provision of insights or recommendations relevant to a given reviewer
- Computation of study design scores (e.g. complexity, patient burden, site burden) and comparison to relevant benchmarks
- Amendment impact analysis and ability to automate downstream updates based on amendments

How to Participate

1. Submit an Abstract

- Provide a clear summary of what your solution.
- Any/all identifying company information in the abstract will be blinded before presentation to the judging panel.

2. Finalist Invitation

- Selected abstracts will advance to the finalist round.
- Finalists will be asked to prepare a **short video (up to 5 minutes)** demonstrating their solution in action.

3. Judging & Recognition

- A panel of judges assembled by TransCelerate will review blinded submissions.
- Finalists and winners will be announced on ClinEco and highlighted across SCOPE 365 channels.
- Winning entries will be recognized at the SCOPE Summit plenary session, with opportunities for further visibility.

Propose Solution

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Digital Data Flow (DDF) Initiative on LinkedIn

LinkedIn community
protocol digitalization,
actions, and sharing
information in a clear and
simple manner.



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Digital Data Flow: Mission Possible!

Practical approaches for protocol digitalization

TransCelerate Digital Data Flow (DDF)

Mission Possible!

*"Impossible is temporary,
impossible is nothing"*

The Transformation is on!

