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COMPLESSITÀ IN GERIATRIA:  
DAI BIG DATA ALLA MEDICINA DI PRECISIONE

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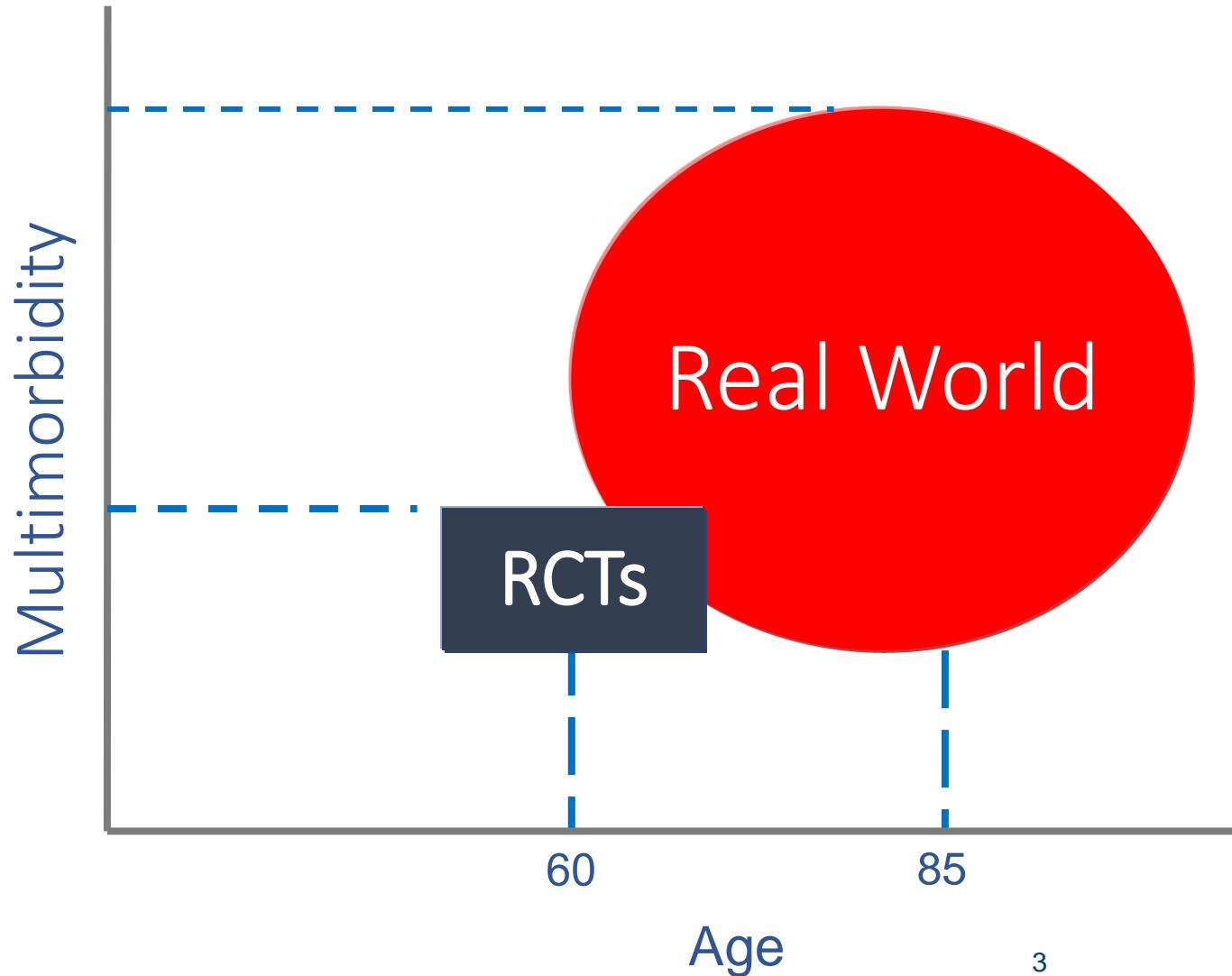
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# RCT e Geriatria: Un Bersaglio Mancato

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## SOUNDING BOARD

### Potential Pitfalls of Disease-Specific Guidelines for Patients with Multiple Conditions

Mary E. Tinetti, M.D., Sidney T. Bogardus, Jr., M.D., and Joseph V. Agostini, M.D.



Comment

[www.thelancet.com](http://www.thelancet.com) Vol 367 February 18, 2006

Comorbidity and guidelines: conflicting interests



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## EDITORIALS

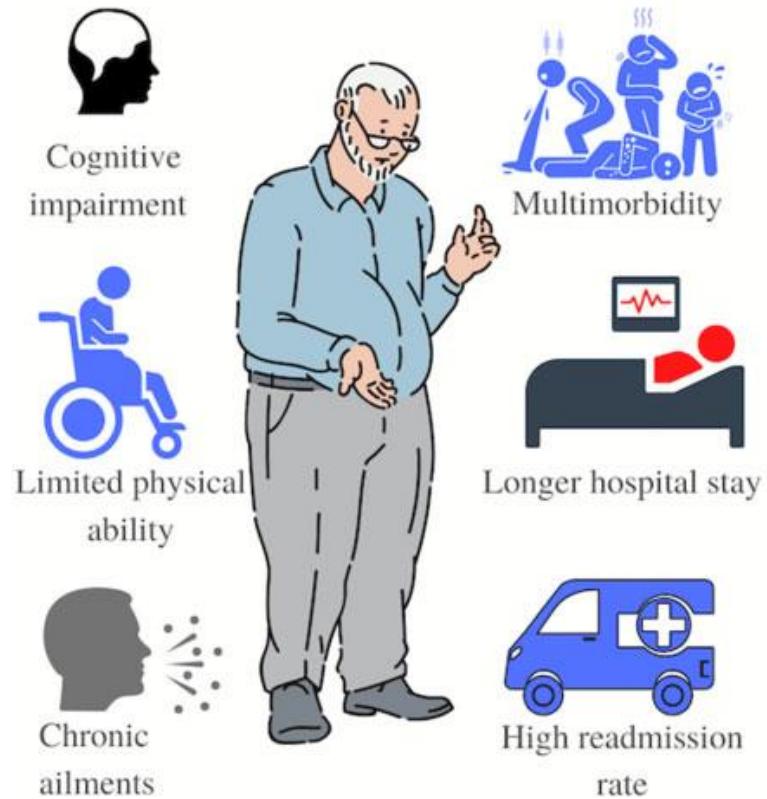


### Guidelines, polypharmacy, and drug-drug interactions in patients with multimorbidity

A cascade of failure

Alessandra Marengoni *assistant professor*<sup>1,2</sup>, Graziano Onder *assistant professor*<sup>2,3</sup>

## Geriatric patient's needs and problems

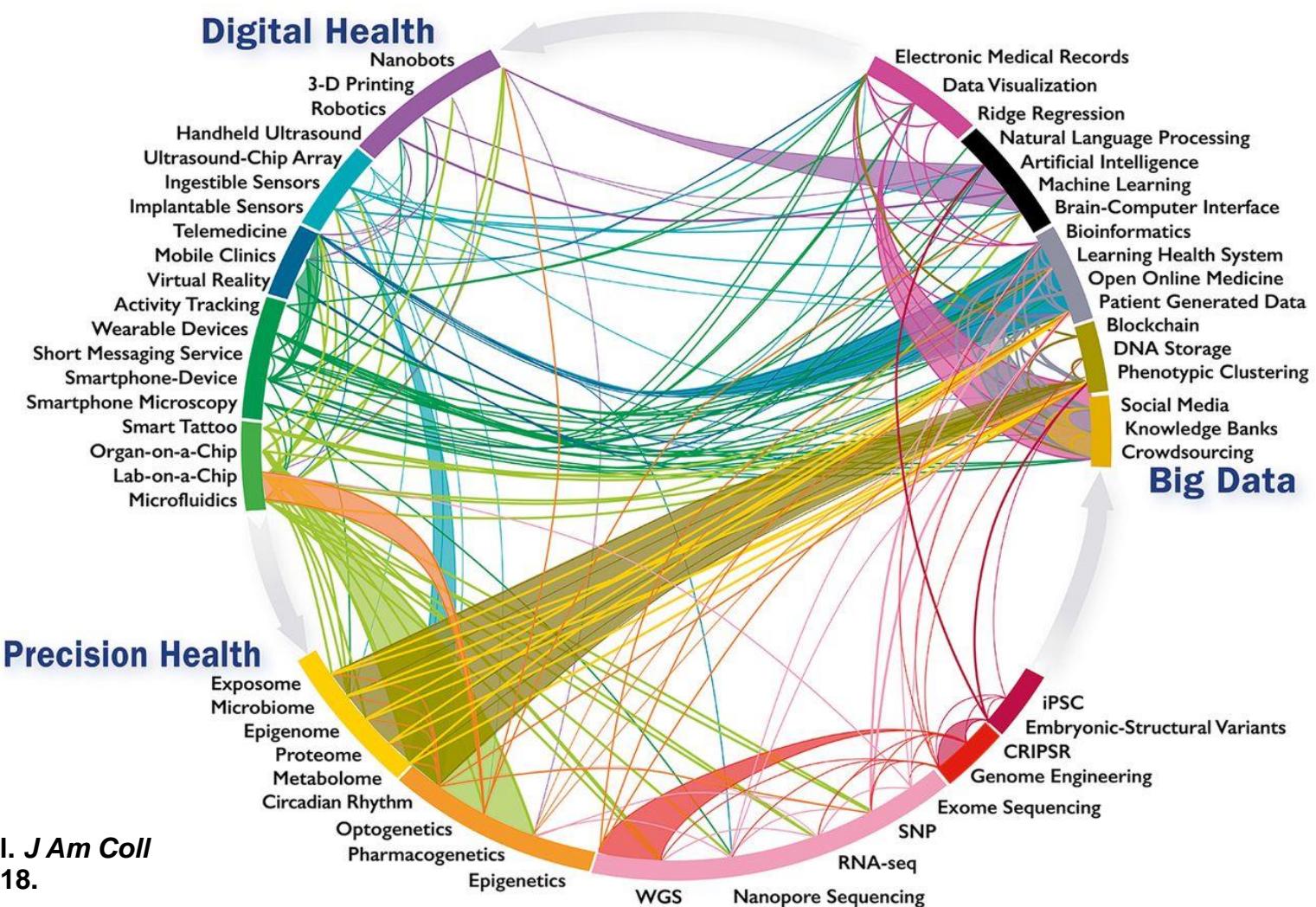


## Problem faced by clinicians attending geriatric patients

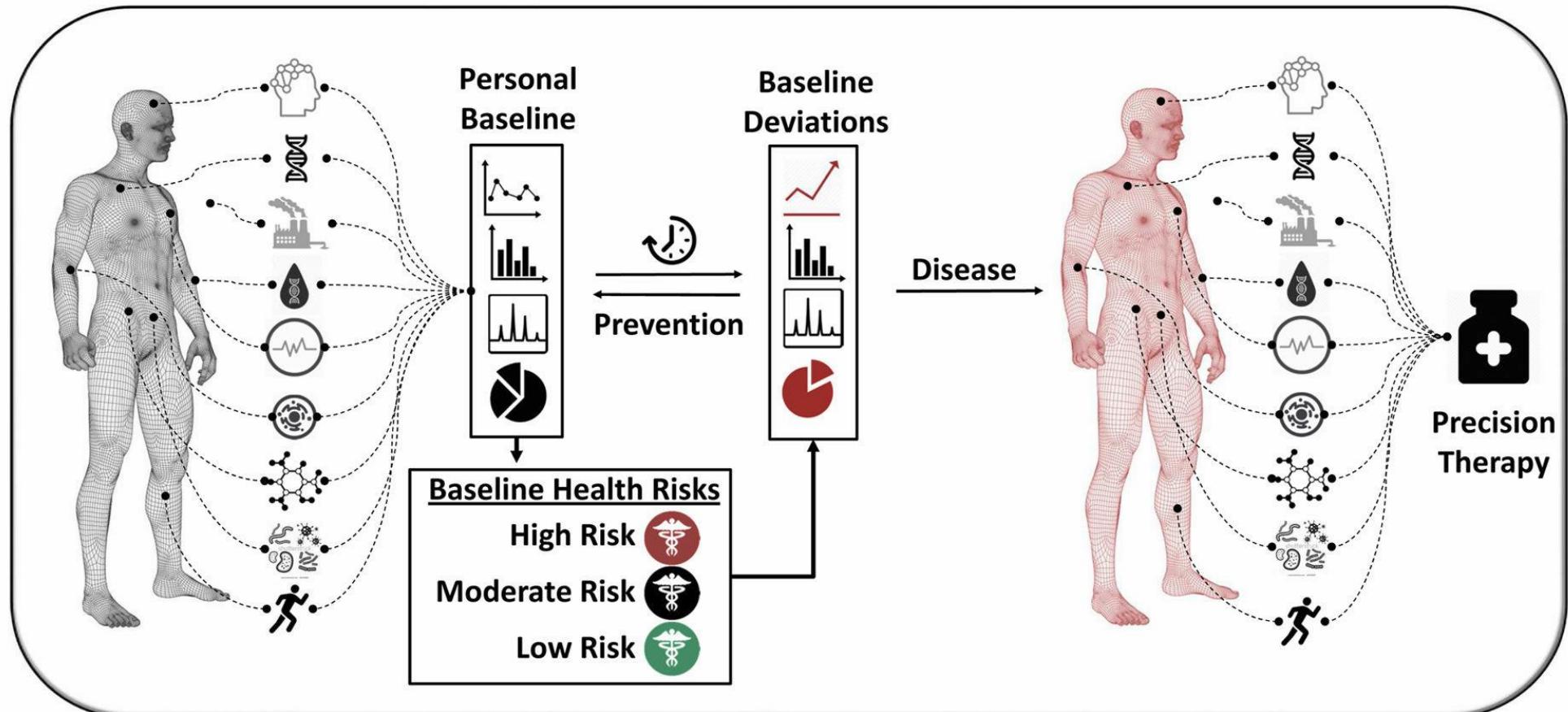


Figure 1. Graphical illustration of geriatric needs and clinician's problems.

# Interconnessioni tra innovazioni emergenti



# High Definition Medicine





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## Goal-Oriented Patient Care — An Alternative Health Outcomes Paradigm

David B. Reuben, M.D., and Mary E. Tinetti, M.D.

... focus on a patient's individual health goals within or across a variety of dimensions (e.g., symptoms; physical functional status, including mobility; and social and role functions) and determine how well these goals are being met...

## EBM

- Trial clinici, metanalisi, rischi relativi
- Rigore sperimentale
- Risultati non generalizzabili ad anziani complessi nel 'real world'
- Interazioni tra variabili difficili da studiare
- Difficile applicabilità delle linee guida



## Nuovo approccio epidemiologico

- Osservazioni, rischi assoluti
- Big data
- Informazioni dal 'real world'
- Intelligenza artificiale
- Fine caratterizzazione dei pazienti e studio della complessità
- Adeguata predizione di outcome di salute, effetto di trattamenti, reazioni avverse etc..
- Necessità di standardizzazione
- Problematiche regolatorie, etiche, di sicurezza

# Intelligenza Artificiale in Medicina

- La **componente virtuale** dell' Intelligenza Arificiale è rappresentata dal Machine Learning
- Si tratta di algoritmi matematici che migliorano l'apprendimento attraverso l'esperienza

<b>Artificial intelligence</b>	The technical replication of human intelligence.
<b>Data-driven</b>	Relying on big amounts of data.
<b>Decision support</b>	The automated suggestion of a beneficial option.
<b>Deep learning</b>	An approach to technically replicate the cognitive abilities of the human brain by consecutively passing information through several layers of an artificial neural network.
<b>Machine learning</b>	The application of algorithms that can learn from data. In <u>supervised machine learning</u> , the algorithms are trying to correctly estimate predefined classes (e.g. naïve Bayes, support vector machine, regression trees). In <u>unsupervised machine learning</u> , the algorithms try to find patterns in the data coming up with classes themselves (e.g. clustering). Deep learning can either be supervised or unsupervised.
<b>Predictive analytics</b>	The prediction of future outcomes by analysing existing data.

# Patient

# Data

# Models

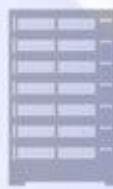
# Recommendation



Video & audio



Electronic Health Record



Online Database



Survey & Interview



Blood sample

University & Hospital



Decision Tree models

Others

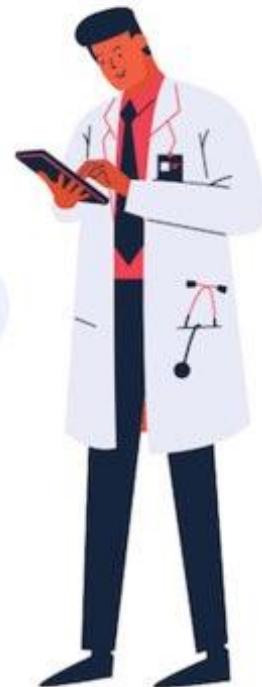
Regression & Bayesian models

Deep Learning models

Analytical Output

- Accuracy
- AUCROC
- Sensitivity
- Specificity
- Others

Clinical interpretation



## Individualized CARE for Older Persons with Complex Chronic Conditions at home and in nursing homes

Healthcare professionals taking care of older persons with complex chronic conditions often lack appropriate decision support. In the EU-funded I-CARE4OLD project, a multidisciplinary international team of experts will develop an innovative decision-support tool for healthcare professionals, to enable personalised care.

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# Improve prognostics on 6 outcomes :



(i) Life expectation



(ii) Unplanned hospital admission



(iii) Change in self care functioning- ADL



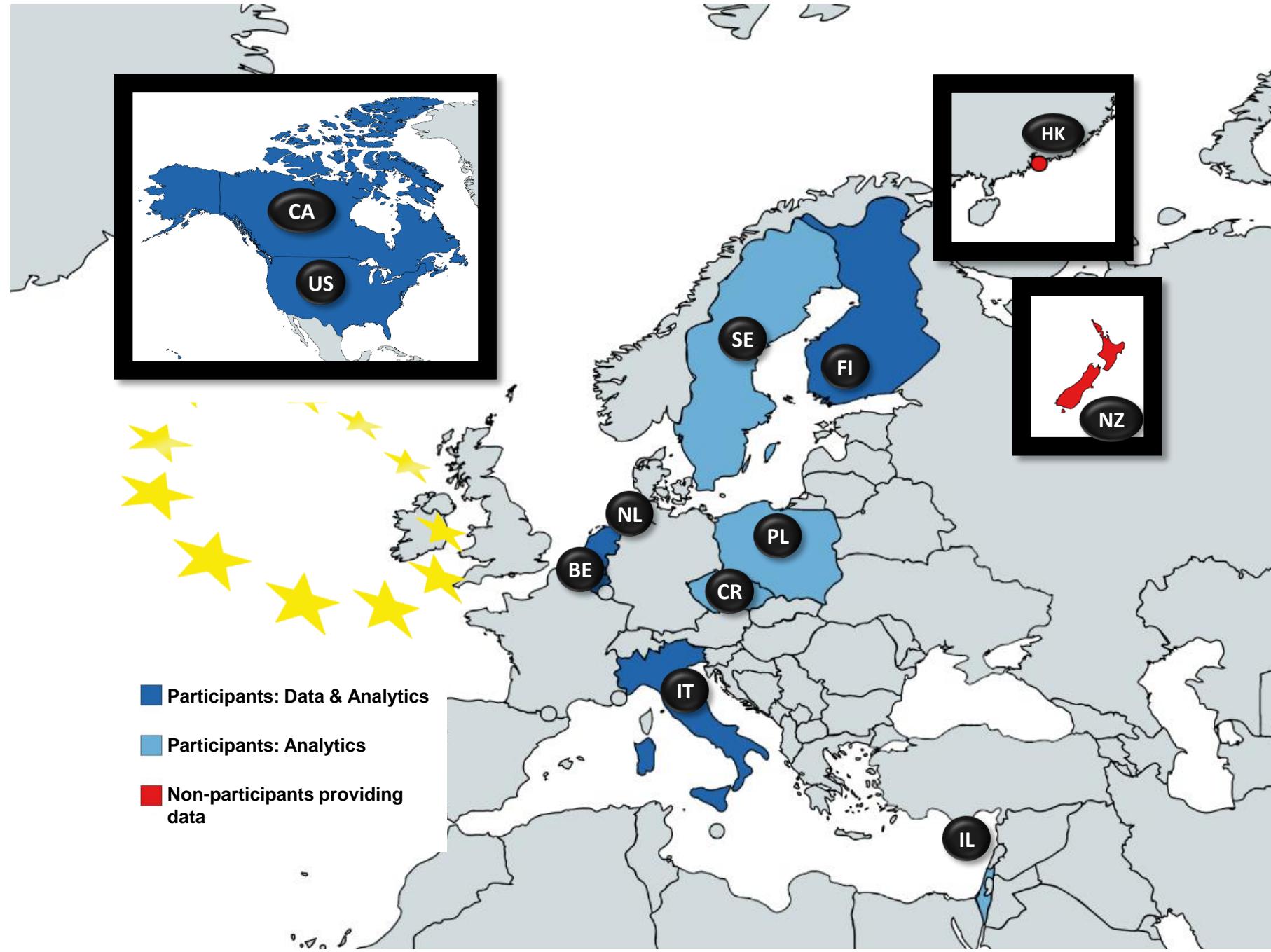
(iv) Change in cognitive functioning – CPS



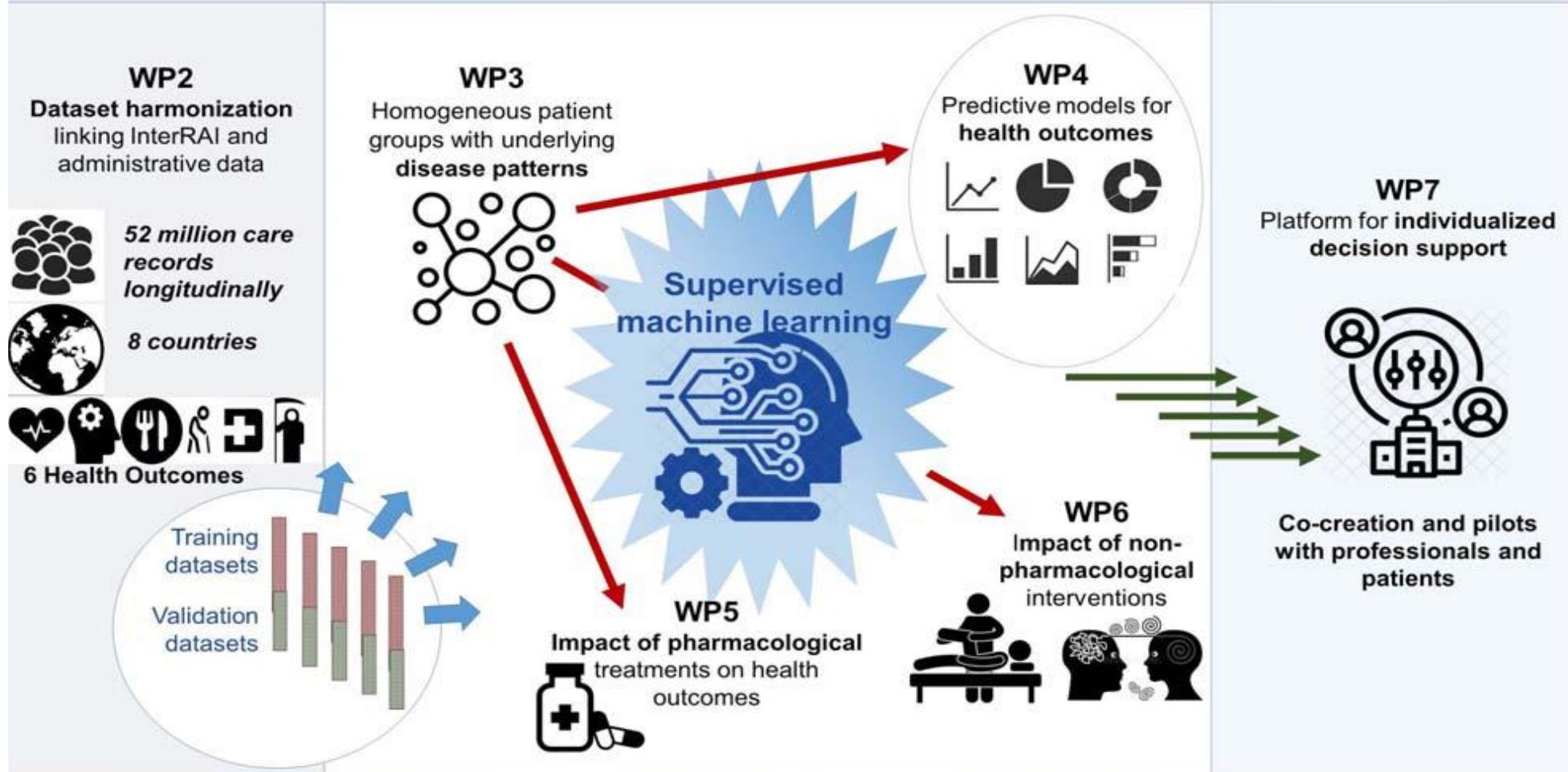
(v) Health instability – CHESS



(vi) Change in health related quality of life- HUI-III



## WP1 Coordination & Management



Development

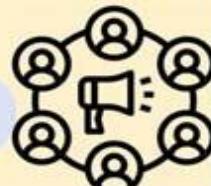
> Validation

> Demonstration

> Education

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> Exploitation





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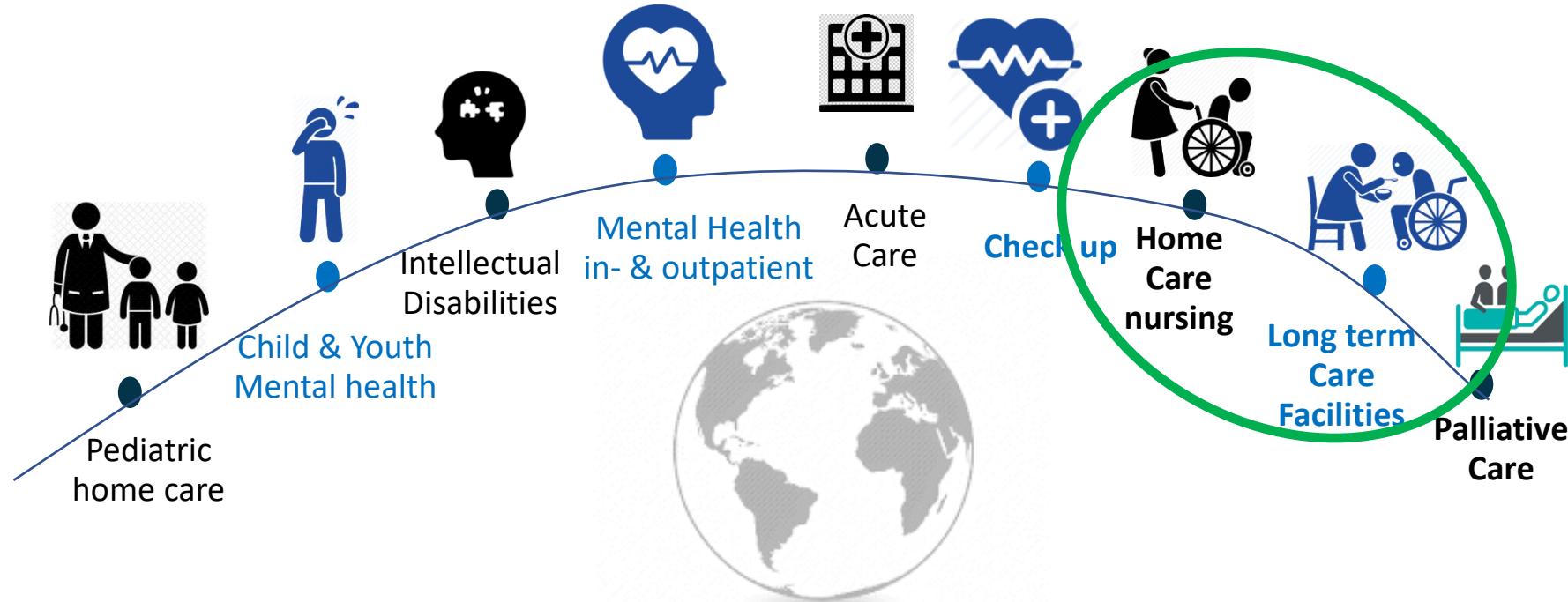
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# Minimal Data Sets

with embedded decision support  
an International standard



With **Core items** and **Core scales** persons can be followed through care settings

# Timeline workpackages



	Year 1	Now	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
1. Coordination					
2. Local data linkage and data harmonization					
3. Identifying homogeneous groups of patients sharing common patterns of CCC					
4. Profiles of health trajectories					
5. Pharmacological interventions that modify health trajectories					
6. Non-pharmacological interventions (NPI) that modify health trajectories					
7. E-Platform for individual prognostication and treatment response pilots					
9. Impact of COVID-19 on health and well-being					
8. Communication & Dissemination					

## EXAMPLE PROGNOSTIC DASHBOARD

Your prognosis		if you start 'Physical therapy'
	<b>Life expectancy</b> 24-28 months	+ 1 month
	<b>Acute hospitalisation in 6 months</b> Low risk <5%	↔ Unchanged
	<b>ADL worsening in 6 months</b> Medium risk 35%	↔ Unchanged
	<b>Cognitive worsening in 6 months</b> Low risk <5%	↔ Unchanged
	<b>Health instability in 6 months</b> High risk 60%	30% ↓ CHANGED medium risk
	<b>HR Quality of Life deterioration</b> Medium risk 35%	<5% ↓ CHANGED: Low risk

# Valutare efficacia e sicurezza di interventi farmacologici mediante metodologia tradizionale e machine learning based



- **Traditional statistical model analyses**

The aim is to model average treatment effect over the clients of different multimorbidity classes: the difference between the outcomes  $Y(0)$  without treatment ( $W = 0$ ) and  $Y(1)$  if treatment is administered ( $W = 1$ ).

- **Machine learning analyses**

The aim is to train models to predict individualized treatment effect: the difference between the outcome  $Y_i(0)$  if client with the characteristics  $X$  does not receive treatment ( $W_i = 0$ ) and  $Y_i(1)$  if treatment is administered ( $W_i = 1$ ).

## Scopo dello studio:

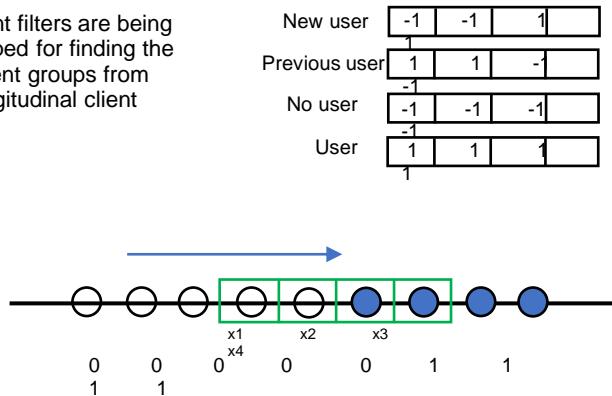
Stimare la risposta a farmaci antidepressivi e il loro effetto su outcome comportamentali e motori in una popolazione di anziani complessi in assistenza domiciliare

# Definizione dei gruppi a confronto



- Il primo punto è definire due gruppi, controllo e trattamento, che siano paragonabili.

Different filters are being developed for finding the treatment groups from the longitudinal client data

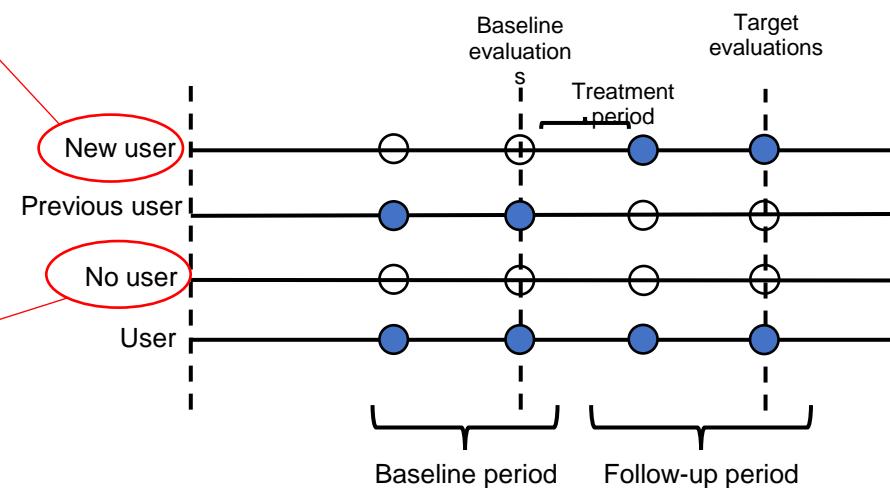


Client is classified as new user if no medication is prescribed at the baseline period but is prescribed at the follow-up period.

Client is classified as no user if no medication is prescribed at the baseline and follow-up periods.

Medication / treatment ●

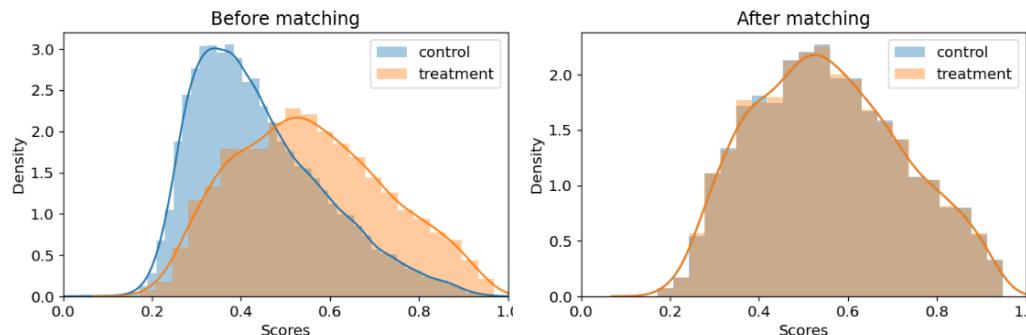
No medication use ○



# Il problema del 'confounding by indication'. Propensity score matched groups (HC clients)



Common support is strong assumption for propensity score matching. That is, there must be overlap in the range of propensity scores across treatment and control groups. No inferences about treatment effects can be made for a treated individual for whom there is not a comparison individual with a similar propensity score. Left figure presents propensity score distributions of control and treatment groups before matching. According to the figure, the extent of overlap is good. Right figure presents propensity score distributions of control and treatment groups after matching. According to the figure, the distributions are similar after the matching.



Before matching      After matching

	Control	Treatment	SMD	Control match	Treatment match	SMD match
Clients, n	24854	3019	-0.046	3000	3000	0.031
Age	83.16	82.92	-0.046	82.78	82.95	0.002
Gender, female	68.28%	73.37%	0.158	73.3%	73.23%	-0.002
BMI	26.2	26.4	0,051	26.14	26.38	0.06
Antidepressants	0	0		0	0	
Short term memory problem	50.72%	50.51%	-0.006	50.83%	50.6%	-0.007
Procedural memory problem	40.5%	40.64%	0.004	40.93%	40.5%	-0.012
Decisions about organizing the day	1,1	1,18	0.107	1,18	1,18	-0.003
Worsening of decision making	19.68%	23.98%	0.147	24.1%	23.67%	-0.014
Change in mental function	4.49%	6.72%	0.137	6.33%	6.5%	0.01
Client has become agitated	4.51%	5.76%	0.08	6.03%	5.67%	-0.022
A feeling of sadness or being depressed	8.44%	21.63%	0.531	19.43%	21.17%	0.061
Persistent anger with self or others	10.73%	18.35%	0.308	17.77%	18,00 %	0.009
Expressions of what appear to be unrealistic fears	4.47%	10.24%	0.314	9.27%	9.73%	0.023
Repetitive health complaints	7.08%	17.39%	0.451	16.3%	16.9%	0.023
Repetitive anxious complaints, concerns	7.48%	16.76%	0.406	15.73%	16.33%	0.023
Sad, pained, worried facial expressions	15.25%	31.04%	0.539	29.33%	30.63%	0.04
Recurrent crying, tearfulness	2.76%	7.02%	0.281	6.87%	6.67%	-0.011
Withdrawal from activities of interest	9.04%	15.07%	0.263	14.7%	14.9%	0.008
Reduced social interaction	10.17%	15.63%	0.231	15.2%	15.43%	0.009
Mood indicators have become worse	9.87%	21.2%	0.448	19.87%	20.83%	0.034
Wandering	4.03%	5.03%	0.069	4.9%	5.07%	0.011
Verbally abusive behavioral symptoms	5.02%	7.22%	0.13	7.13%	7,00 %	-0.007
Physically abusive behavioral symptoms	1.42%	1.39%	-0.003	1.6%	1.4%	-0.023
Socially inappropriate_disruptive behavioral symptoms	2.33%	3.08%	0.065	3.7%	3.03%	-0.052
Resists care	9.5%	12.36%	0.13	12.2%	12.27%	0.003
Behavioral symptoms have become worse	4.62%	8.61%	0.228	8.57%	8.33%	-0.012

# Modelli di analisi statistica tradizionali: Antidepressivi: Propensity score matched groups

Social functioning	OR (95% CI)	p-value
At ease interacting with others		
-- New users	0.93 (0.88-0.98)	0.009*
-- Non-users	Reference	
Openly expresses conflict or anger with family/friends		
-- New users	0.91 (0.86-0.96)	0.001*
-- Non-users	Reference	
Change in social activities		
-- New users	1.05 (0.99-1.11)	0.104
-- Non-users	Reference	
Isolation		
-- New users	0.95 (0.9-1.01)	0.111
-- Non-users	Reference	
Client says or indicates that he/she feels lonely		
-- New users	1.1 (1.04-1.17)	<.001**
-- Non-users	Reference	

Mood and behaviour	OR (95% CI)	p-value
A feeling of sadness or being depressed		
-- New users	1.03 (0.97-1.08)	0.363
-- Non-users	Reference	
Persistent anger with self or others		
-- New users	0.94 (0.89-0.99)	0.027*
-- Non-users	Reference	
Expressions of what appear to be unrealistic fears		
-- New users	1.04 (0.99-1.1)	0.135
-- Non-users	Reference	
Repetitive health complaints		
-- New users	0.97 (0.92-1.02)	0.26
-- Non-users	Reference	
Repetitive anxious complaints, concerns		
-- New users	0.99 (0.94-1.05)	0.759
-- Non-users	Reference	
Sad, pained, worried facial expressions		
-- New users	0.99 (0.94-1.05)	0.76
-- Non-users	Reference	
Recurrent crying, tearfulness		
-- New users	1.02 (0.96-1.08)	0.499
-- Non-users	Reference	
Withdrawal from activities of interest		
-- New users	0.93 (0.88-0.98)	0.009*
-- Non-users	Reference	
Reduced social interaction		
-- New users	0.98 (0.93-1.04)	0.471
-- Non-users	Reference	
Mood indicators have become worse		
-- New users	1.02 (0.96-1.08)	0.492
-- Non-users	Reference	
Wandering		
-- New users	1.02 (0.97-1.08)	0.47
-- Non-users	Reference	
Verbally abusive behavioral symptoms		
-- New users	0.94 (0.89-1.0)	0.037*
-- Non-users	Reference	
Physically abusive behavioral symptoms		
-- New users	1.01 (0.96-1.07)	0.656
-- Non-users	Reference	
Socially inappropriate/disruptive behavioral symptoms		
-- New users	1.02 (0.96-1.07)	0.545
-- Non-users	Reference	
Resists care		
-- New users	0.94 (0.89-1.0)	0.034*
-- Non-users	Reference	
Behavioral symptoms have become worse		
-- New users	0.98 (0.93-1.03)	0.461
-- Non-users	Reference	

# Modelli di analisi statistica tradizionali: Antidepressivi: Propensity score matched groups

	HR (95% CI)	P-values
Days to death		
-- New users	0.97 (0.92-1.02)	0.26
-- Non-users	Reference	
Next hospital visit (HILMO)		
-- New users	1.04 (1.0-1.07)	0.03
-- Non-users	Reference	
Next hospital visit (unplanned) (HILMO)		
-- New users	1.03 (0.99-1.07)	0.12
-- Non-users	Reference	
Next ER visits (HILMO)		
-- New users	1.05 (1.02-1.09)	<0.001**
-- Non-users	Reference	
Next hip fracture (HILMO)		
-- New users	0.99 (0.86-1.14)	0.91
-- Non-users	Reference	
Next fall-related injury (HILMO)		
-- New users	1.08 (1.0-1.16)	0.04
-- Non-users	Reference	

Physical functioning	OR (95% CI)	p-value
Mobility in bed		
-- New users	0.99 (0.93-1.05)	0.771
-- Non-users	Reference	
Transfer		
-- New users	1.0 (0.94-1.06)	0.879
-- Non-users	Reference	
Locomotion in home		
-- New users	1.04 (0.98-1.1)	0.247
-- Non-users	Reference	
Locomotion outside of home		
-- New users	1.25 (1.18-1.33)	<.001**
-- Non-users	Reference	
Dressing upper body		
-- New users	1.06 (0.99-1.13)	0.077
-- Non-users	Reference	
Dressing lower body		
-- New users	1.07 (0.99-1.15)	0.075
-- Non-users	Reference	
Toilet use		
-- New users	1.05 (0.98-1.12)	0.21
-- Non-users	Reference	
Personal hygiene		
-- New users	1.04 (0.97-1.1)	0.27
-- Non-users	Reference	
Bathing		
-- New users	1.14 (1.06-1.22)	<.001**
-- Non-users	Reference	
Falls in last 90 days		
-- New users	1.08 (1.02-1.14)	0.011*
-- Non-users	Reference	
Unsteady gait		
-- New users	1.24 (1.17-1.31)	<.001**
-- Non-users	Reference	
Limits going outdoors due to fear of falling		
-- New users	1.23 (1.16-1.3)	<.001**
-- Non-users	Reference	

# Sommario

nuovi utilizzatori di antidepressivi sono stati confrontati con i non utilizzatori a 6 mesi dall'inizio del trattamento

## Migliorati

- Rabbia verso sè o altri
- Perdita di attività e interessi
- Atteggiamenti conflittuali con familiari o amici
- Aggressività verbale
- Resistenza alle cure

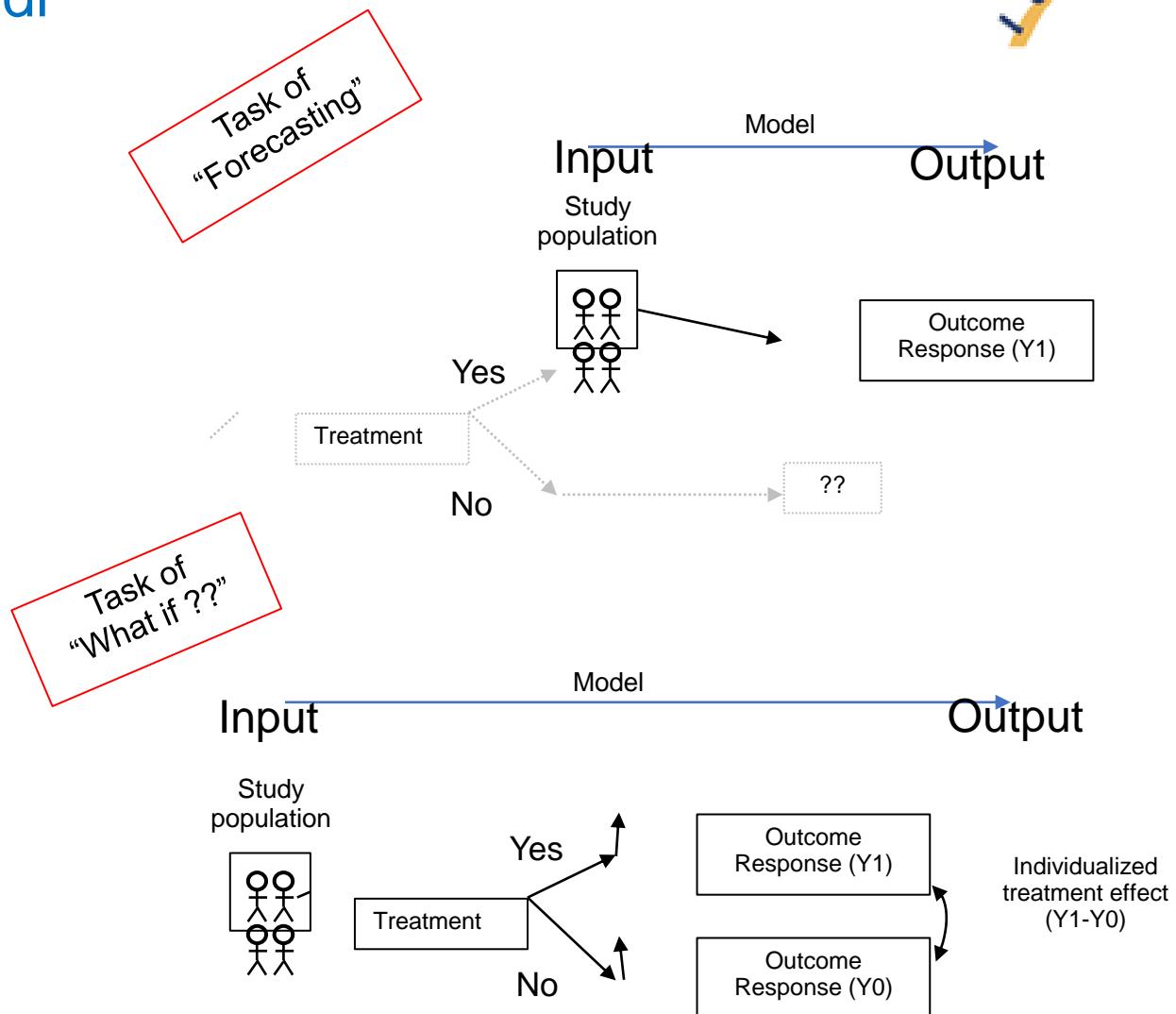
## Peggiorati

- Ospedalizzazioni e ricorso a PS
- Cadute
- Locomozione
- Abilità nell'igiene personale
- Disturbo di equilibrio
- Limitazione ad uscire per paura di cadere
- Isolamento

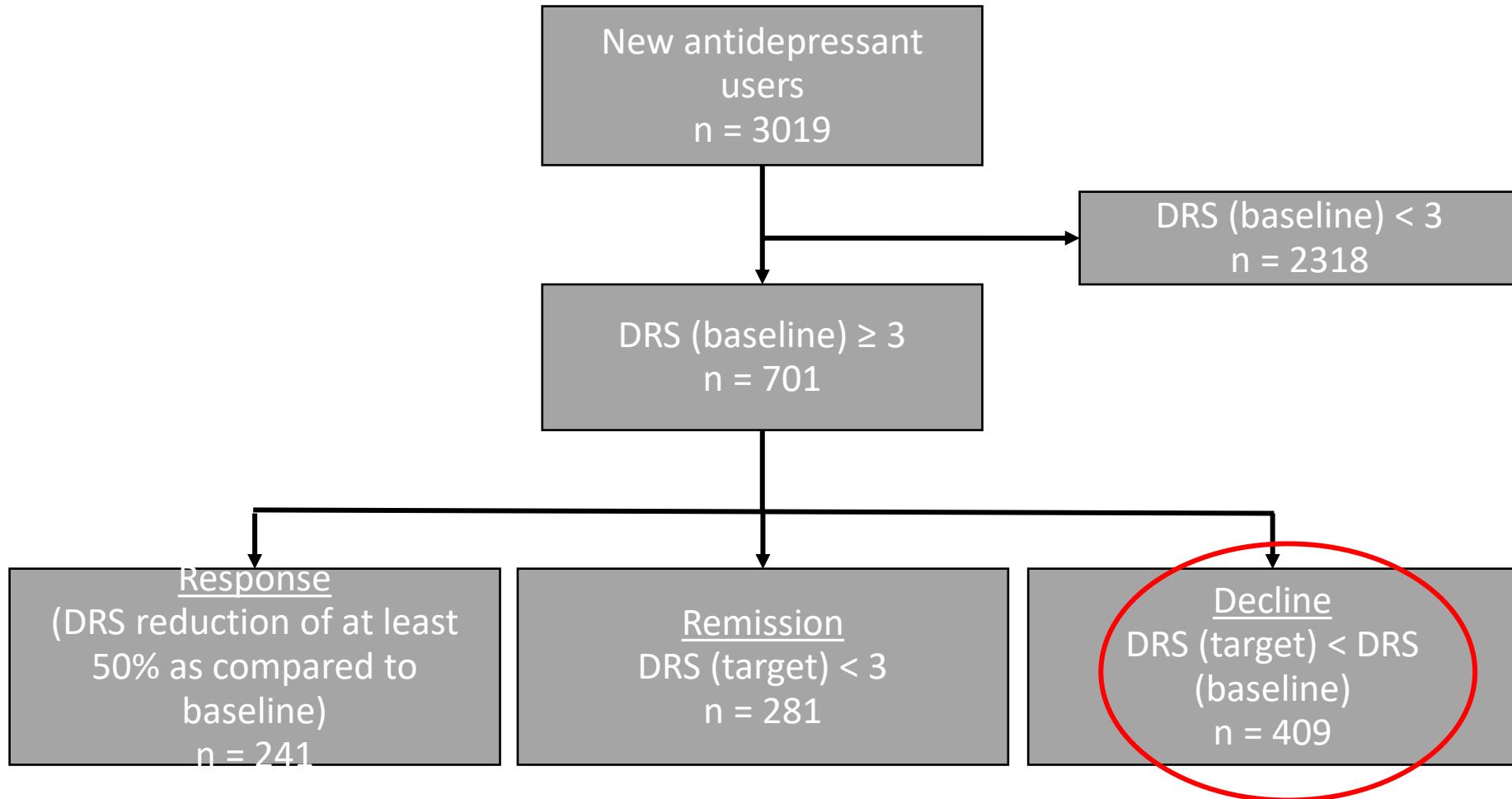
# Modelli di ML per predire l'impatto di trattamenti farmacologici

Due diversi approcci

- **(1) Modelli di ML per predire la risposta individualizzata al trattamento;** i dataset di training includono solo pazienti trattati; evidenzia pattern di correlazione.
- **(2) Modelli di ML per stimare l'effetto del trattamento farmacologico negli utilizzatori del farmaco rispetto ai non utilizzatori;** cioè, se iniziare o interrompere il farmaco ha effetto positivo o negativo su un determinato outcome; tutti i pazienti nel dataset sono utilizzati per il training; **“What if scenario”**.

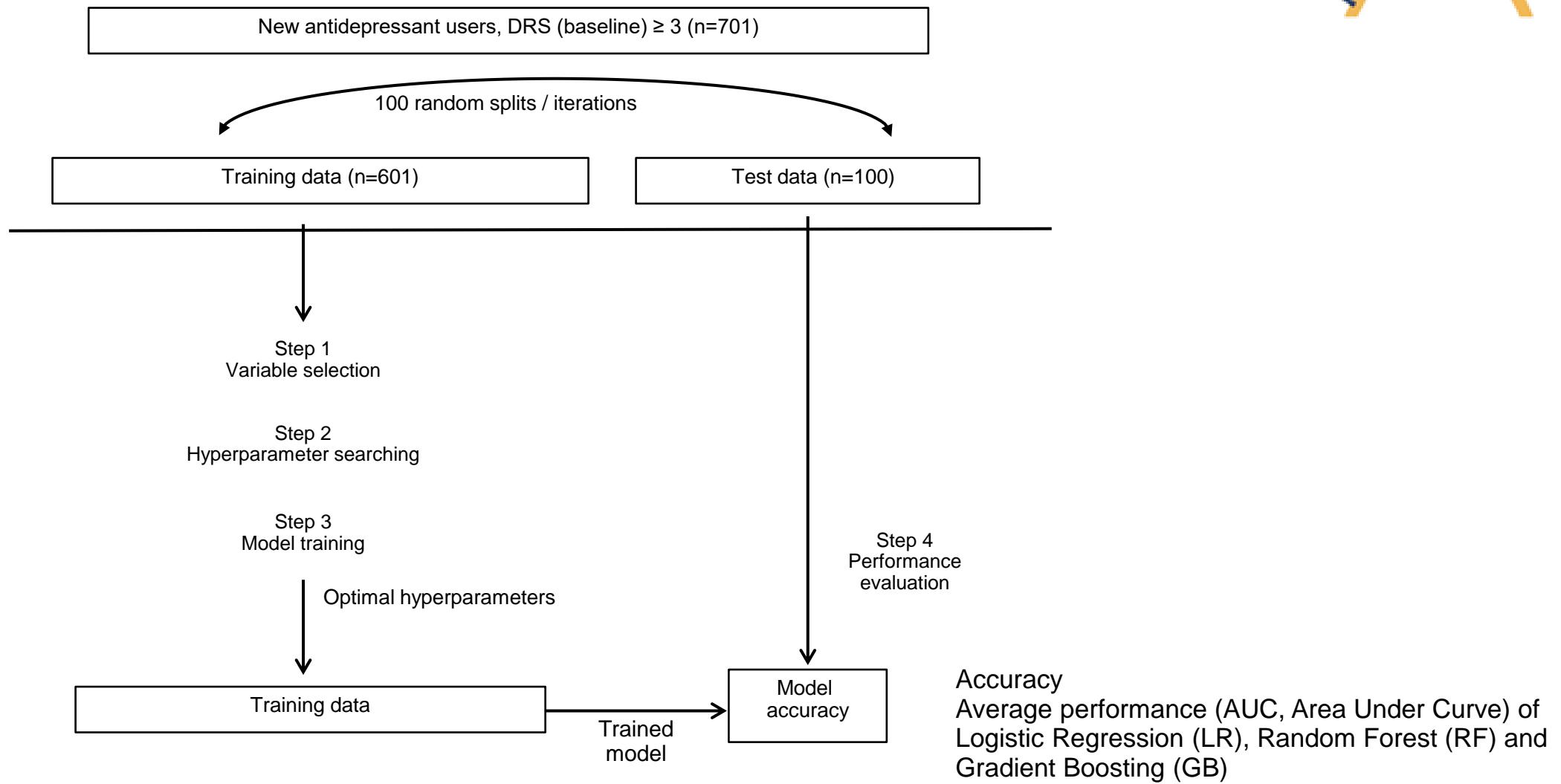


# Predire la risposta a farmaci antidepressivi

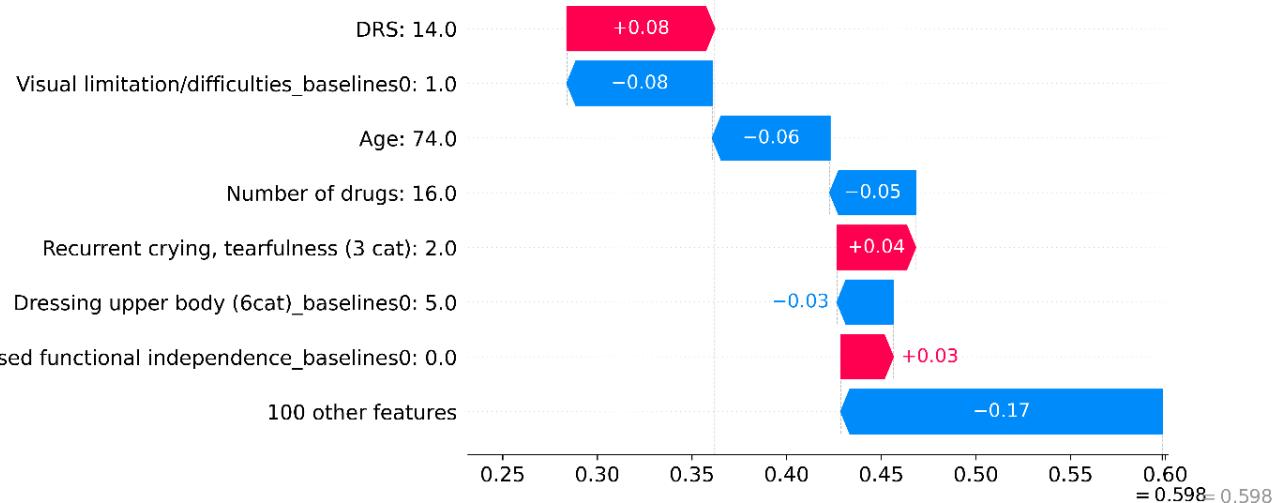


# Data flow of machine learning model training pipeline

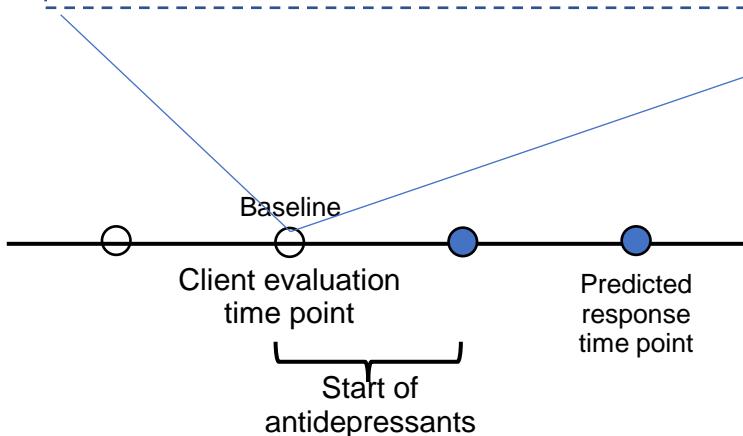
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Predicted probability of DRS decline = 0.362



Mean value over all clients = 0.598



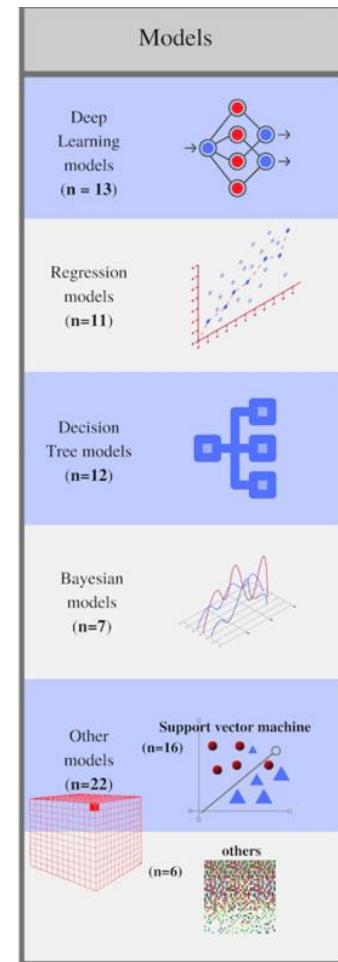
## Review

# Use of machine learning in geriatric clinical care for chronic diseases: a systematic literature review

Avishek Choudhury , Emily Renjilian, and Onur Asan \*

**Table 1.** Disease classification

Disease name	Disease type	Number of publications
Mild cognitive impairment	Psychological disorder	22
Alzheimer's disease		
Creutzfeldt Jacob disease		
Autism spectrum disorder		
Depression		
Schizophrenia		
Parkinson's disease		
Age-related macular degeneration	Eye diseases	6
Diabetic retinopathy		
Glaucoma		
Geographic atrophy		
Angina pectoris	Other ailments	7
Asthma		
Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease		
Cirrhosis		
Hearing loss		
Osteoarthritis		
Rheumatoid arthritis		
Inflammatory bowel disease		
Hepatitis C virus infection		
Coronary artery disease		



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Review

  
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Research Article

## A Perspective: Use of Machine Learning Models to Predict the Risk of Multimorbidity



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Review

## AI and Big Data in Healthcare: Towards a More Comprehensive Research Framework for Multimorbidity

Wilfling et al. BMC Family Practice (2020) 21:180  
<https://doi.org/10.1186/s12875-020-01247-1>



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RESEARCH ARTICLE

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## Big data analysis techniques to address polypharmacy in patients – a scoping review

D. Wilfling\*, A. Hinz and J. Steinhäuser

Sirois et al. *BMC Med Inform Decis Mak* (2021) 21:219  
<https://doi.org/10.1186/s12911-021-01583-x>

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## Exploring polypharmacy with artificial intelligence: data analysis protocol



## Key use cases for artificial intelligence to reduce the frequency of adverse drug events: a scoping review

Ania Syrowatka, Wenyu Song, Mary G Amato, Dinah Foer, Heba Edrees, Zoe Co, Masha Kuznetsova, Sevan Dulgarian, Diane L Seger, Aurélien Simona, Paul A Bain, Gretchen Purcell Jackson, Kyu Rhee, David W Bates



Accuracy of machine learning-based prediction of medication adherence in clinical research

Vidya Koesmahargyo<sup>a,\*</sup>, Anzar Abbas<sup>a</sup>, Li Zhang<sup>a</sup>, Lei Guan<sup>a</sup>, Shaolei Feng<sup>a</sup>, Vijay Yadav<sup>a</sup>, Isaac R. Galatzer-Levy<sup>a,b</sup>

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- Artificial Intelligence (AI) refers to the ability of algorithms to learn from data so that they can perform automated tasks without every step in the process having to be programmed explicitly by a human
- AI can augment the ability of health-care providers to improve patient care, provide accurate diagnoses, optimize treatment plans, support pandemic preparedness and response, inform the decisions of health policy-makers or allocate resources within health systems.
- Use of AI can lead to situations in which decision-making power could be transferred to machines. The principle of autonomy requires that the use of AI or other computational systems does not undermine human autonomy.
- Humans should remain in control of health-care systems and medical decisions.
- It also requires protection of privacy and confidentiality and obtaining valid informed consent through appropriate legal frameworks for data protection.

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"NURSE, RUSH THIS PATIENT TO THE MATERNITY WARD! SHE'S ABOUT  
TO DELIVER A BABY!"

# From Big Data to Precision Medicine

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- ...in order to fully realize the potential inherent in the Big data we can now generate, we must alter the way we work. Forming collaborative networks—sharing samples, data, and methods—is now more important than ever and increasingly requires building bridges to less traditional collaborating specialities such as engineering, computer science and to industry.
- Such increased interaction is unavoidable if we are to ensure that mechanistic inferences drawn from Big data are robust and reproducible. Infrastructure capacity will require constant updating, while regulation and stewardship must reassure the patients from whom it is sourced that their information is handled responsibly. Importantly, this must be achieved without introducing stringency measures that threaten the access that is necessary for progress to flourish.