



Ontologies and Knowledge Graphs in Cancer Research

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Dear Colleagues,

Cancer research relies on a large number of diverse datasets generated by different omics technologies. Electronic health record data, which are gathered at the point-of-care, are increasingly utilized in pre-clinical and clinical research as well as health management and analyzed in unison with genomic data.

Curation, management, and analysis of these data present unique challenges arising from data heterogeneity, complexity, and size. Ontologies and knowledge graphs are being increasingly adopted to address these issues, and have great potential to support multidisciplinary cancer research efforts.

This Issue will focus on the use of ontologies in the context of cancer research and care, including but not limited to ontology development and evolution, genomic data analysis, ontology-based machine learning and artificial intelligence, semantic data integration using knowledge graphs and other methods, semantic data resources, use of ontologies in translational medicine, and clinical decision support.

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