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Modernizing Study Metadata Management with AI-Enabled Web Applications Development

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Agenda

1 The Critical Role of Metadata in Clinical Trials

Understanding metadata as the backbone of clinical data operations

2 Limitations of Traditional Metadata Tools

Challenges with Excel-based tools and manual processes

3 Blueprint for Modern Web-Based Platform

Architecture principles and core functionalities

4 Essential Features & Compliance

Regulatory requirements and validation frameworks

5 AI-Powered Enhancements & Automation

Intelligent mapping, validation, and metadata-driven programming

6 Future Outlook & Implementation

Vision, benefits, and next steps for modernization

Why Study Metadata Matters

1

Foundation of Clinical Data Operations



Provides essential structure and context, establishing the groundwork for everything that follows

2

Critical for Statistical Programming



Essential for SDTM, ADaM, and TLF programming activities in compliance with regulatory standards and process

3

Ensures Data Traceability



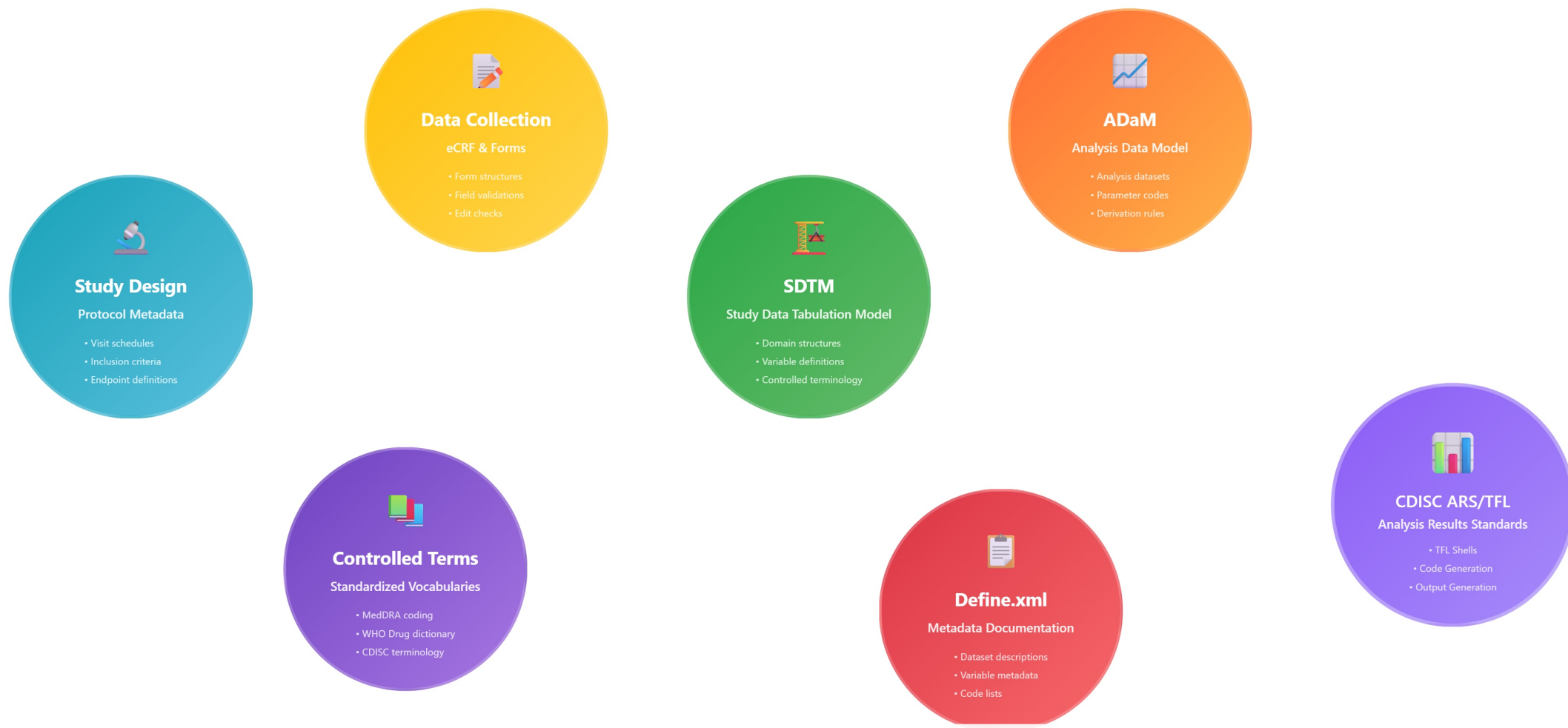
Maintains complete lineage from source data to final outputs, enabling full audit trails and compliance

4

Enables Metadata-Driven Automation

Powers automated processes across the entire data lifecycle, reducing manual effort and ensuring consistency

Metadata in Clinical Trial Data Operations





Challenges with Excel-Based Metadata Tool

Why traditional spreadsheet approaches fall short in modern clinical environments

- ✗ Poor User Experience**
Difficult for first-time users with no intuitive help text or tooltips, creating steep learning curves and adoption barriers
- ✗ No Concurrent Collaboration**
Only one user can work at a time, creating bottlenecks and limiting team productivity in fast-paced environments
- ✗ Version Control Nightmare**
Difficult to track changes from old versions, leading to lost work, confusion, and potential compliance issues
- ✗ No Quality Controls**
Hard to debug with no edit checks or validation rules implemented to prevent mis-configurations and errors
- ✗ Time-Consuming Manual Processes**
Multiple manual steps required for simple tasks like adding/dropping variables, reducing efficiency and increasing risk

HIGH LEARNING CURVE

TEAM BOTTLENECKS

LOST PROGRESS

ERROR-PRONE

LOW EFFICIENCY

Why Metadata-Driven Automation Matters

Traditional Process



Manual Documents Review

Read protocol, SAP, etc. and extract metadata manually

1-2 weeks



Excel-Based Mapping

Create SDTM/ADaM mappings using spreadsheets and VBA macros

2-3 weeks



Manual Code Generation

Write SAS/R programs based on specifications

3-4 weeks



Multiple QC Rounds

Extensive quality control due to manual errors

2-3 weeks

Total Time: 8-12 weeks

High error risk, inconsistent quality



AI-Powered Automation

Metadata-Driven Process



AI Document Analysis

Automated extraction of metadata and key information from protocol, SAP, etc.

1-2 days



Intelligent Mapping

AI-suggested SDTM/ADaM mapping specifications based on extracted metadata and standards

2-3 days



Auto-Code Generation

Automatically metadata-driven code generation for datasets and TLFs

3-5 days



Automated Validation

Built-in quality checks and consistency validation

1-2 days

Total Time: 1-2 weeks

Consistent quality, reduced errors



Modern Study Metadata Platform Blueprint

Comprehensive solution addressing all Excel limitations

Enhanced User Experience

- Concurrent access and collaborative editing capabilities
- Friendly edit, filter, query, and highlight functions
- Integrated help text, tooltips, and online manual
- Lower SME involvement required for routine tasks

Data Quality & Validation

- In-line validations implemented when applicable
- Controlled codelist columns to reduce typos and unexpected values
- Built-in cross-table checks, queries, and duplicate avoidance
- Extensible rules engine with validation reports

Governance & Control

- Centralized study metadata repository
- Role-based edit modes with granular permissions
- Built-in cell-level track changes and audit trails
- Reduces configuration traps identified only after SMT execution

Lifecycle Management

- Row-level lifecycle: Initialized → Ongoing/Draft → Under Review
- Lock/Final and Archive states with proper transitions
- Summary reports of changes and status tracking
- Email notifications for status changes and approvals



Centralized Metadata Repository View

Freeze ☒ Active ☒ Retired ☒ EDC ☒ DRM ☒ SDTM ☐ AD ☐ SR + ≡ ≡ 🔍 🔄											
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Comments & Collaboration View

	#	Action	Data State	Dataset Name	Variable Name	Label	Type	Length	Format	Codelist	Order
☐	1	   	AD	ADAE	AAGE	Analysis Age	N	8	NUM(3)	N/A	10
☐	2	   	AD	ADAE	AAGEYR	Analysis Age in Years	N	8	NUM(8)	N/A	10
☐	3	   	AD	ADAE	ACAT1	Analysis Category 1	C	CHAR(200)	CHAR(200)	N/A	20
☐	4	   	AD	ADAE	ACTARM	Description of Actual Arm	C	CHAR(200)	CHAR(200)	N/A	30
☐	5	   	AD	ADAE	ACTARMCD	Actual Arm Code	C	CHAR(20)	CHAR(20)	N/A	30
☐	6	   	AD	ADAE	ADURU	Analysis Duration Units	C	CHAR(20)	CHAR(20)	UNIT	31

Comments Status
Critical priority unresolved comments (1 critical)
Click comment buttons in columns to view details

Row 5 -> VARLABEL

Actual Arm Code

2m ago

should be merged from ADSL directly.

Reply



Export & Download View



Completed

Export completed: [redacted]_metadata_2025-11-05.xlsx



Configuration

Start Export

* Study ID

* Reporting Activity ID

Page Size per Query

Number of records to fetch per API call (default: 1000)

Export Options

☒ Exclude system variables

Exclude UUID, STUDYID, RAID, audit fields, etc.

☐ Include review comments

Include review comments in the exported metadata

* Export Type



Study Metadata



Study Reference



SDTM PDS



ADaM PDS



P21 SDTM PDS



P21 ADaM PDS



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Metadata-Driven Dummy Data Factory

A concrete example of how structured metadata enables intelligent dummy data generation

Variable	Label	Type	Length	Controlled Terms
STUDYID	Study Identifier	Char	12	e.g., "ABC-123-001"
DOMAIN	Domain Abbreviation	Char	2	"AE"
USUBJID	Unique Subject Identifier	Char	20	e.g., "ABC-123-001-001"
AESEQ	Sequence Number	Num	8	1, 2, 3...
AETERM	Reported Term for AE	Char	200	Free text (realistic symptoms)
AEDECOD	Dictionary-Derived Term	Char	200	MedDRA PT terms
AESEV	Severity/Intensity	Char	20	MILD, MODERATE, SEVERE
AESER	Serious Event	Char	1	Y, N
AESTDTC	Start Date/Time	Char	19	ISO 8601 format
AEENDTC	End Date/Time	Char	19	ISO 8601 format



Metadata-Driven Dummy Data Factory

Key Insight: Metadata from multiple domains (DM, EX, MH) drives intelligent, medically-realistic data generation with proper CDISC compliance and MedDRA coding

Metadata Repository



Demographics (DM)

- Age: 68 years
- Sex: Male
- Race: Caucasian



Concomitant Medication (CM)

- Drug Class: Cardiovascular
- Duration: 180 days
- Dose: 50 mg QD



Medical History (MH)

- Hypertension
- Type 2 Diabetes

Metadata-Driven Algorithm

- Age 68 → 12.5x Serious AE Risk
- Male → 11.0x MI Risk
- CV Drug → 12.0x Hypertension
- Duration 180d → Chronic Events
- MedDRA Mapping Applied

Generated AE Data

SERIOUS AE

Cardiac Disorders

AETERM:	Myocardial Infarction
AESEV:	SEVERE
AESER:	Y (Hospitalization)
AESTDTC:	2024-03-15
AEDECOD:	Myocardial infarction
AEBODSYS:	Cardiac disorders
Duration:	21 days (90% resolution)



Metadata-Driven Dummy Data Factory

DM - Demographics × AE - Adverse Events × VS - Vital Signs × CM - Concomitant Medications × MH - Medical History × LB - Laboratory Test Results ×

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▶ Generate



Select domains and click Generate to create CDISC SDTM data

AI-Powered Solutions



Natural Language

Built-in LLM chatbot to ask questions about metadata and get instant answers, instructions and even authorized actions



Intelligent Mapping & Logic Derivation

AI suggests optimal variable mappings & logics based on historical data patterns and study context



Auto-Generation

Generate SDTM/ADaM specifications and dummy data with various format from study metadata automatically



Smart Validation & Compliance

Built-in compliance checks and prevents common metadata errors in a batch mode, ensuring high data quality

Technology Stack Overview



Frontend Framework



Vue 3.x + Ant Design Responsive Design

Composition API



TypeScript

Type Safety



Styling & Animation



CSS3

Animations & Grid



Canvas API

Dynamic Effects



Backend Technology



Python + MySQL/MariaDB

Relational Database



Redis

In-Memory Cache



Build Tools



Vite

Fast Build Tool



Node.js

Runtime Environment

Q&A and Discussion



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Thank You!

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