A UNIVERSAL DATA MODEL (UDM) FOR LONGITUDINAL INTEGRATION OF DISPARATE BIOMARKER AND IN-LIFE PATIENT DATA AUGMENTED BY MACHINE LEARNING

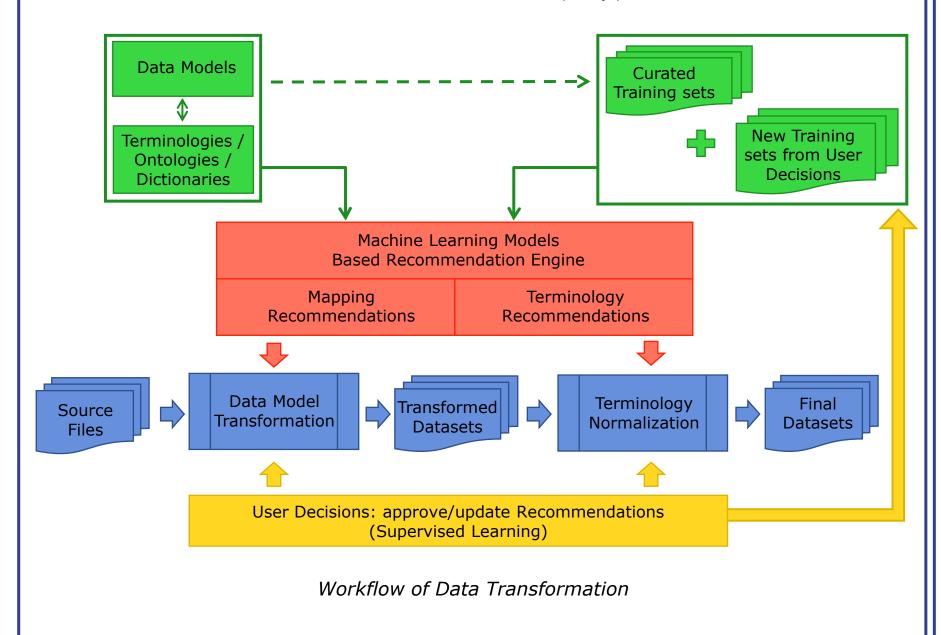
Introduction

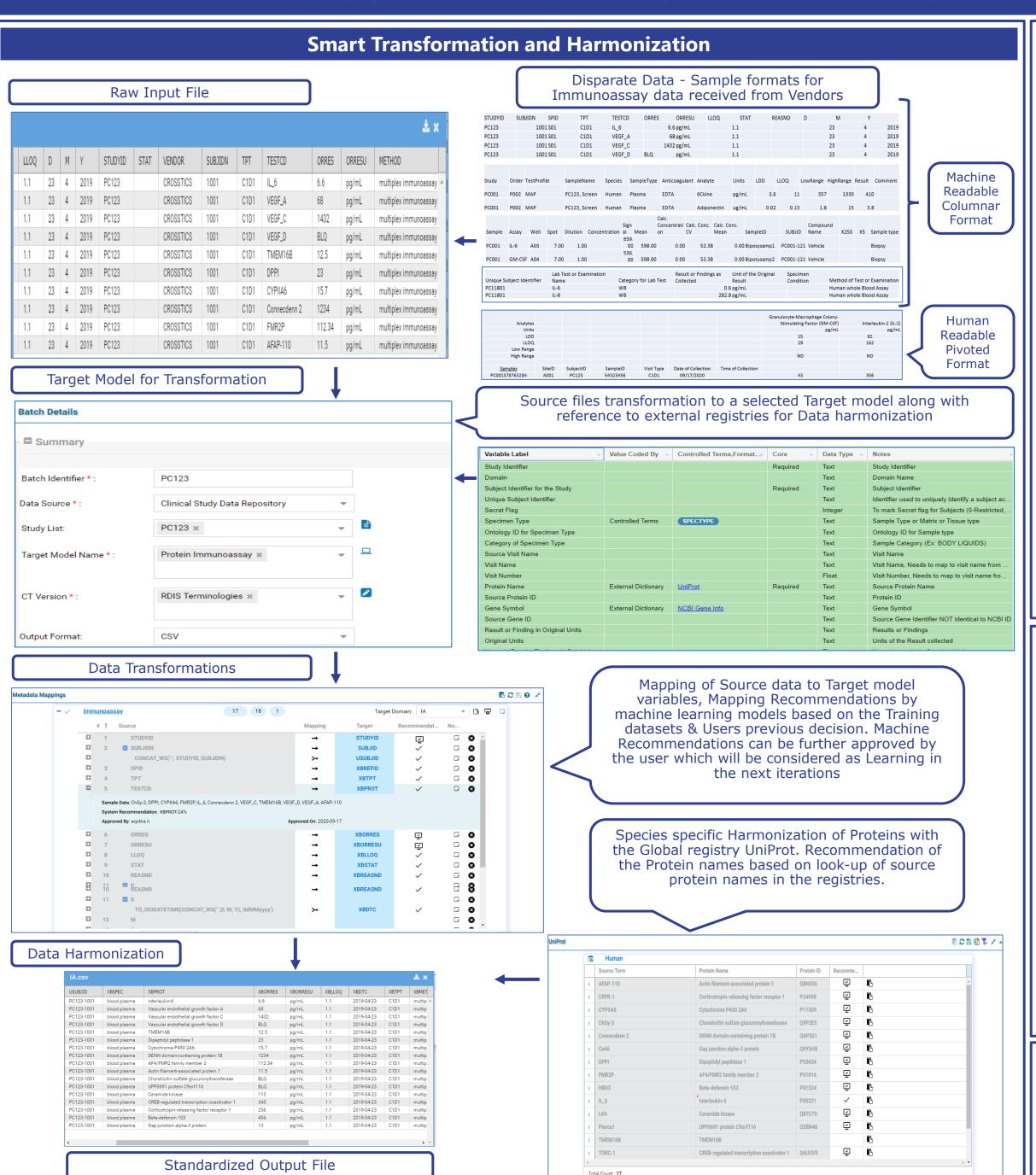
Translational and precision medicine development in immuno and gene therapies rely on biomarker data from assays including genomics, proteomics, IHC, Flow cytometry and cell phenotyping data. Biomarkers are not only generated from the patient biosamples, but also from the biomanufacturing sites such as in adoptive immune cell biomanufacturing for novel immunotherapies. Extracting valuable insights from these disparate data sources and integrating it to clinical data to relate to patient outcome and/or discover and validate relevant biomarkers are met with challenges of ingestion, harmonization and integration of disparate data with the clinical data. Key decisions and ideas that impact study design of future clinical trials depend on gaining insights rapidly from such integrated data on patients or stratified cohorts. Systematic curation with self-validation for completeness and consistency is time consuming and difficult without technology. Xbiom, built on Machine Learning and Universal Data Modelling effectively solves these challenges of disparate, big and varied data sources. Xbiom's Smart Transformation platform, can make ingestion, curation and harmonization process automatic and is also capable of processing both streamed data as well as in batch mode.

Data Transformation Workflow

Xbiom's Machine Learning algorithms work on the principle of supervised learning. First, for the given data set Recommendation Engine recommends the Target model along with referencing to external registries for Data transformation. It is then followed by Mapping recommendations by machine learning models based on the trained datasets. The Xbiom platform is agile by having the ability to retrain the algorithm for the newer/unseen type of data types and structures but also robust in predicting the column for a recommendation in manual approval in case of unseen data types. Machine Recommendations can be further approved by the users which will be considered as learning in the next iteration.

Mapped data is further enriched by the Terminology Recommendation, wherein, for instance for protein names in Biomarker data will be enriched with species-specific Harmonization of proteins with reference to the Global registry UniProt. Similarly, Harmonization of Genes, cell-expressed proteins, cytokines etc., will be done with respect to the referenced registries. The curated and transformed output is quality checked and which can be viewed in the QC dashboard for the quality process.

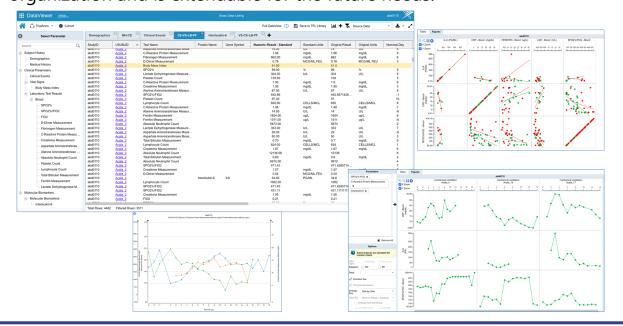




Longitudinal Integration of Biomarker Data & patient data facilitated by UDM for visualization and analysis

Curated and harmonized data is stored in a Universal Data Model (UDM) which holds study and assay data of subjects or samples and their attributes in a simple, indexable form. The indexation facilitates instant search through query masks to yield highly stratified cohorts and data. Search and detection of signals is enabled by the integration of assay data into longitudinal patient data.

As shown in the immersive graphics below on the left sidebar listing the available data for the searched cohort enables handpicking of Biomarker which can be correlated across the cohort with another biomarker(IHC, TMB, FACS, Nanostring etc.,) or with the clinical data (adverse event, clinical endpoints, Medical history etc.,). UDM can be unique to the organization and is extendable for the future needs.



Conclusion

Challenges in translational medicine and other research in drug development involving different biomarkers are the difficulty in getting the cleaned biomarker data which is integrated with the clinical data to ask questions to gain insights into the study. Manual curation and harmonization can be time-consuming and would be challenging with steamed data in the ongoing trials.

Automated curation, standardization and harmonization by the Machine Learning platform in Xbiom is quality controlled and can process the streamed data. Data in the UDM is ready for the statistical analysis and enables the monitoring of ongoing trials for early insights and decision making. Harmonized data in the UDM can also act as a training data set in machine learning designed for biomarker discovery and other insights generation as in precision and translational medicine. The data governance system in Xbiom's allowing for the role-based access can be accessed safely in the browser as well as through the API.

Quick and timely decision enabling process can cut down the time and cost in drug development.



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