# Developing clinical informatics for mind and brain health in Cambridge





Cambridgeshire and Peterborough









## **Rudolf Cardinal**

University lecturer in clinical informatics, University of Cambridge Honorary consultant liaison psychiatrist, Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS FT / Cambridge University Hospitals NHS FT

Thu 6 Dec 2018, KCL BRC / CRIS 10th anniversary; 15'

NHS Constitution for England (2013, 2015)

"The NHS also commits: ...

to anonymise the information collected during the course of your treatment and use it to support research and improve care for others (pledge); ...

to inform you of research studies in which you may be eligible to participate (pledge)"

# Overview

#### **CPFT** clinical records

Visible to clinicians.

Researchers can only see records of patients who have given their permission for this.

Mrs Sarah JONES Born 28 August 1937, female

6 The Mews, Fictionville CPFT number 54321

Alzheimer's disease Taking donepezil 5 mg at night Memory score 23 this week Mr John SMITH

Born 21 April 1970, male 13 Westport Lane, Doodletown CPFT number 65432

Depression

Taking venlafaxine 150 mg per day

Much better, but one panic attack last month

Removing information that could identify an individual (such as names, addresses, exact dates of birth, and hospital/NHS numbers)

### **CPFT** research database

Accessible only to researchers conducting research approved by CPFT.

#### **XXXXXXX**

Born XXX August 1937, female

#### XXXXXXX

CPFT number XXXXXXXX

Research ID 68926

Alzheimer's disease

Taking donepezil 5 mg at night

Memory score 23 this week

#### XXXXXXX

Born XXX April 1970, male

#### XXXXXXX

CPFT number XXXXXXXX

Research ID 57265

Depression

Taking venlafaxine 150 mg per day

Much better, but one panic attack last month

# Our phase 1 (2013→): CRIS

## Software

 CRIS (Clinical Records Interactive Search), from NIHR Biomedical Research Centre at KCL/South London & Maudsley NHS FT (Stewart 2009).

# Safeguards

- NHS ethics, Caldicott Guardian, and CPFT R&D approvals.
- Research Database Oversight Committee with service user representation.

## Technical

- CPFT records 2005–2012 ("CRS/CDL") anonymised into the research database; then newer electronic records system (RiO data 2013–).
- Research Database manager appointed.

# Research and testing

- Pilot studies testing different aspects of CRIS functionality.
- Epidemiological research.
- Audit.
- "Consent-to-contact" methods.
- Feasibility enquiries for commercial studies.

# Drug treatment of schizophrenia and admissions, 2005–2012

- Search on CPFT's de-identified clinical records
- Letters to GPs, discharge summaries, care plans etc.
- Free text plus simple demographic standardised data (age, sex), diagnoses, admissions
- Schizophrenia was defined as the presence of an ICD-10 code of 'F20\*'
  at any point in a patient's recorded diagnoses
- Database queries to examine admission records
- Natural language processing tool (Sultana 2014) to generate drug histories
- ~150,000 patients in the CPFT database for that time period
- ~15,000 (about 10%) had at least one coded ICD-10 diagnosis.
- 1,485 patients had a coded diagnosis of schizophrenia.
- Sex ratio 1.73 male: 1 female.
- Age range 13–93

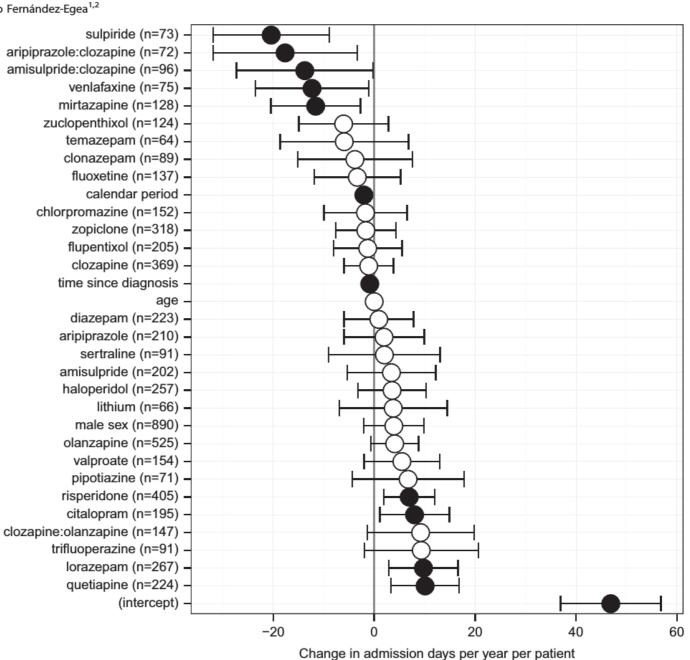
#### ARTICLE OPEN

Association between antipsychotic/antidepressant drug treatments and hospital admissions in schizophrenia assessed using a mental health case register

Rudolf N Cardinal<sup>1,2</sup>, George Savulich<sup>1</sup>, Louisa M Mann<sup>2</sup> and Emilio Fernández-Egea<sup>1,2</sup>

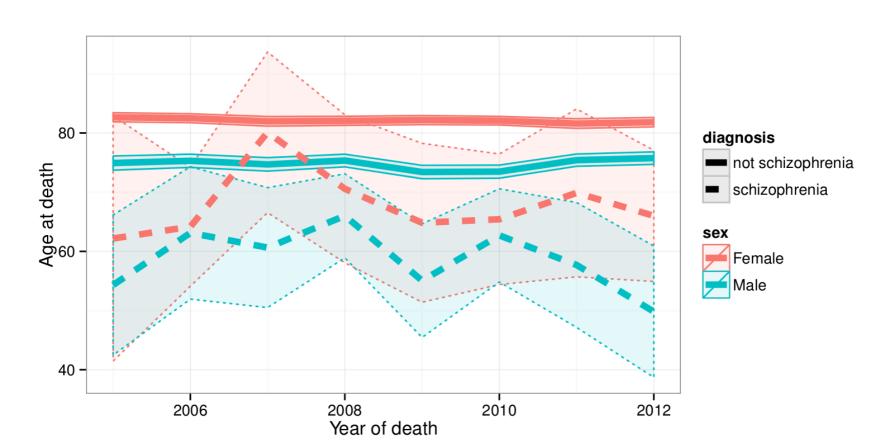


- Divide time into 6-month periods.
- Dependent variable = #days spent in hospital.
- Predictors include: drug Y/N in preceding period [via NLP]; subject; time; sex; age.

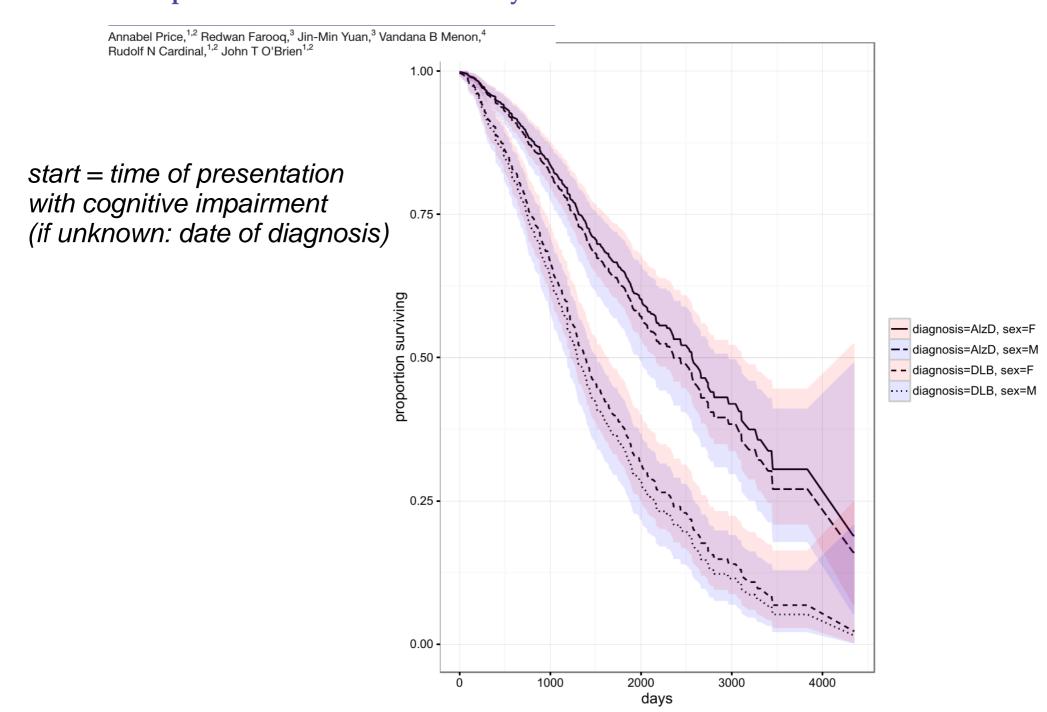


# Highlighting public health concerns: life expectancy in schizophrenia

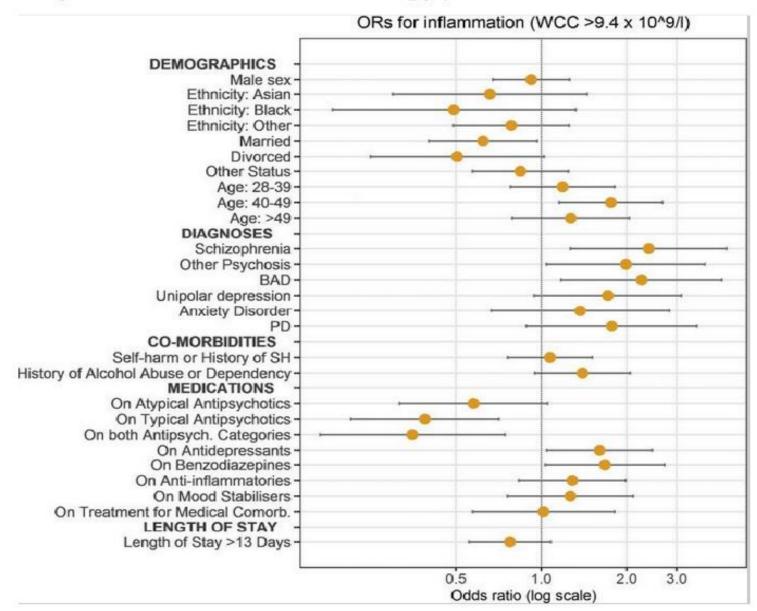
- Average age at death for all other CPFT service users:
  - male 74.8, female 82.1
- Average age at death for CPFT patients with schizophrenia:
  - male 59.0, female 67.5
- Overall, life expectancy is reduced by about 16.8 years for people with schizophrenia compared to other CPFT service users



**BMJ Open** Mortality in dementia with Lewy bodies compared with Alzheimer's dementia: a retrospective naturalistic cohort study



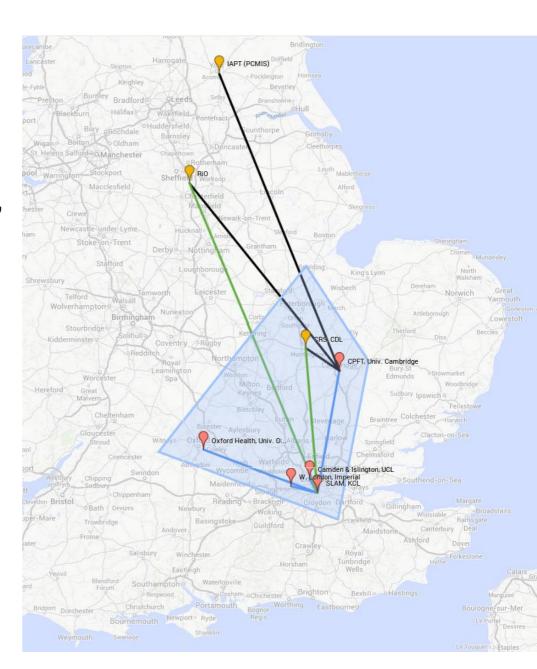
▼ Low-grade inflammation in adult inpatients on psychiatric wards (Osimo et al. 2018, Psychoneuroendocrinology).



# Broader initiatives: universities/mental health trusts

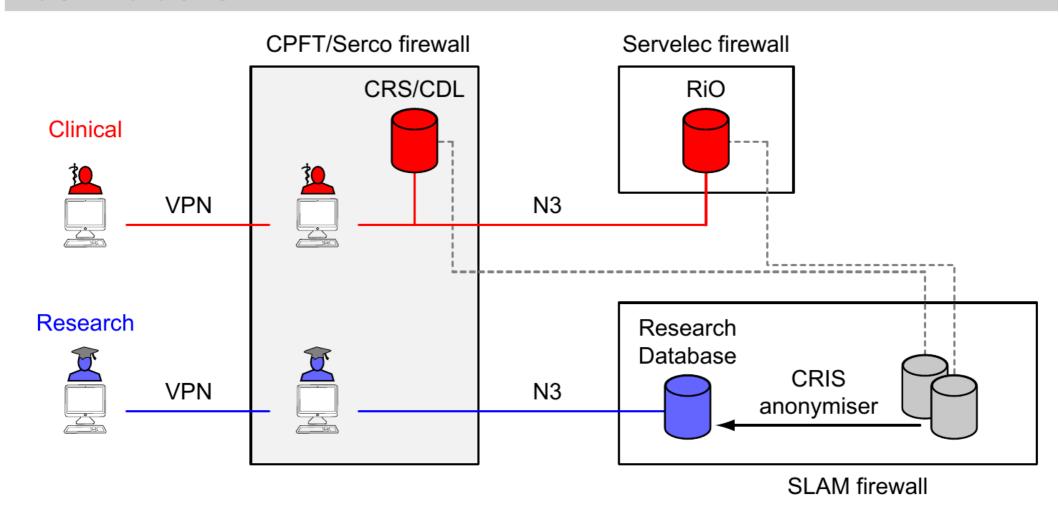
# **D-CRIS (Nov 2013**→**)**

- SLaM/KCL, CPFT/Cambridge, Oxford, UCL and Imperial
- CPFT the first CRIS adopter outside SLaM
- £1m NIHR funding to increase database capacity and enhance infrastructure connections between centres

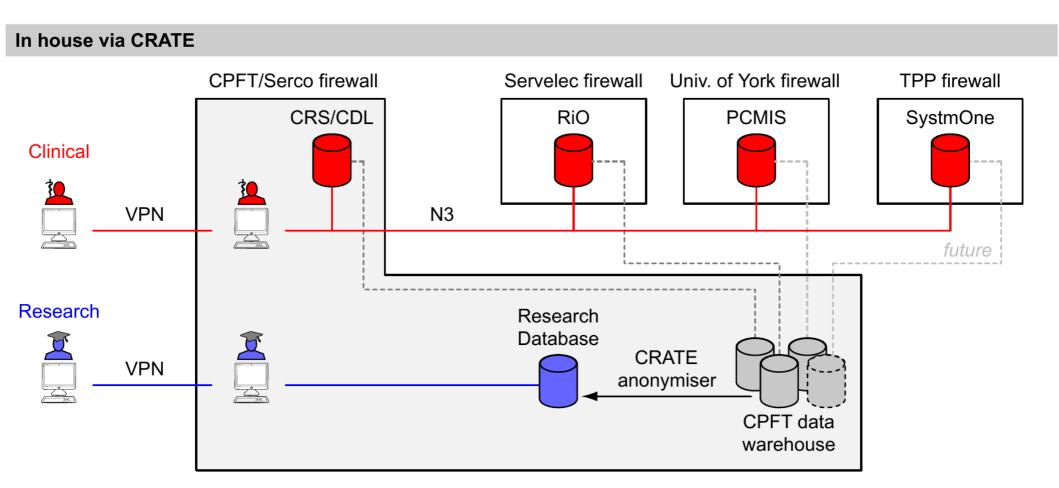


# Phase 1 data flows

## Via SLAM and CRIS



# Our phase 2 (2017→): CRATE



Clinical records anonymisation and text extraction (CRATE): an open-source software system

dose: 225

units: **mg** frequency: **od** 

Cardinal *BMC Medical Informatics and Decision Making* (2017) 17:50 DOI 10.1186/s12911-017-0437-1

clinicians

researchers
• direct access
• CRATE front end

Source data id: **123456** id: 123456 forename: **JOHN** letter: 24 Feb 2015 surname: **SMITH** Dear Dr Colville, DOB: 3 Mar 1970 Re: JOHN SMITH, DOB 3 Mar 1970, NHS 9876543210 NHS#: **9876543210** 2 Narrow Lane, Fictionville address\_1: 2 I saw John today in clinic with his wife Sandra. He's on venlafaxine 225mg od. He feels his mood has been Narrow Lane improving recently but his psoriasis is worse. consent\_mode: green ± via staging copy of database non-patient tables unchanged scrubber Anonymised research database research\_id: 385716 research\_id: 385716 24 Feb 2015 letter: DOB: 1 Mar 1970 Dear Dr Colville, Re: XXX XXX, DOB XXX, NHS XXX XXX. XXX I saw XXX today in clinic with his wife YYY. He's on venlafaxine 225mg od. He feels his mood has been improving recently but his psoriasis is worse. database-to-NLP NLP tools interface Additional structured data from source text research\_id: 385716 research\_id: 385716 research\_id: 385716 date: 24 Feb 2015 date: 24 Feb 2015 date: 24 Feb 2015 hamd: 6 drug: venlafaxine smoker: current

cigs\_per\_day: ?

## **CRATE**

- Open-source. Python; some Java to talk to external Java NLP tools.
- Relational database, agnostic e.g. SQL Server, MySQL, PostgreSQL.
- Preprocessors (e.g. for RiO) and auto-drafting of data dictionaries.
- Text extraction from attached documents e.g. DOCX, PDF.
- Cryptographically secure research ID generation
- Standard NULL handling.
- Copes with typographical errors.
- Parallel processing.
- NLP interfaces and some custom NLP.
- Researchers can use (1) web front end with automatic SQL query builder,
   (2) raw SQL via web front end; (3) direct SQL connection.
- Our consent-to-contact system.
- Modular (e.g. anonymiser / NLP / research queries / consent-to-contact).

Table 2 De-identification performance

Metric	Condition 1	Condition 2	Condition 3
Number of words in source text (n)	50,274	50,274	50,274
Hits	1,392	1,326	1,116
False alarms	275	132	25

For known identifiers (those recorded as structured information in the source database):

Misses	1	0	0
Correct rejections	48,606	48,816	49,113
Sensitivity = recall	0.999	1	1
Precision	0.835	0.909	0.978

For all identifiers (including those not recorded as structured information in the source database):

Misses	127	125	128
Correct rejections	48,480	48,691	49,005
Sensitivity = recall	0.916	0.914	0.897
Precision	0.835	0.909	0.978

Performance of the de-identifier on the same corpus of clinical documents, with three different specimen configurations. The conditions differed in the definition of "identifying information" used, in whitelisting of geographical location, and in the method used for detecting fragments of addresses (see text; these differences lead also to variation in the number of hits counted, for example whether successful masking of an address such as "29 Acacia Avenue" was counted as one hit, if masked to "[\_\_\_]", or several hits, if masked to "[\_\_\_]"). A miss was defined as any identifier appearing in the destination text and identifiers were defined very liberally, including a single initial, so appearance of a single identifier in the destination text does not equate to identifying the patient concerned [13]

De-identification of unstructured text by CRATE.

Performance similar to published figures for CRIS (and similarly: primarily depends on source accuracy!).

Can already remove some kinds of generic information (e.g. postcodes, phone numbers).

Other techniques developed: e.g. "all names minus medical eponyms" blacklist.

## Current databases

- CRS/CDL (Serco), 2005–2012 Serco
- ~160,000 patients; mental health secondary care
- 7 Gb anonymised; primarily demographics, admissions, documents
- RiO, 2013–





- ~185,000 patients and growing; mental health secondary care
- 120 Gb source data plus 662 Gb documents (not all useful!), growing fast; 36 Gb output
- PCMIS, 2008-

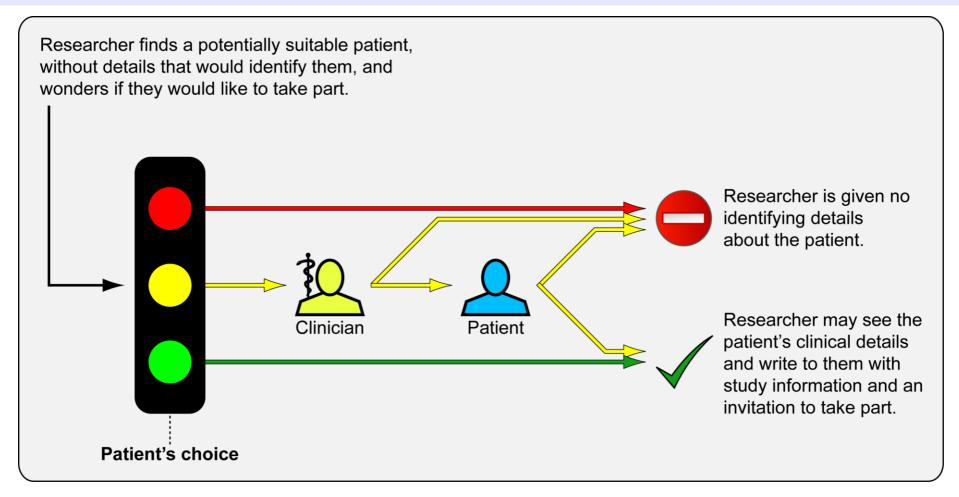


- >53,000 patients from psychological treatment service (70,000 referrals); mild to moderate depression/anxiety
- 392 Mb source; well structured
- SystmOne, 2016-



coming soon? Community services; high volume; supplier difficulties

## Patient-contact research



"Unknown" treated as YELLOW (and patient asked their traffic-light preference). Special methods for children and those lacking capacity. Safeguards, e.g. automatically exclude patients who have died; additional patient preferences. Research study requires its own ethics approval. Study consent a later step.

# CamCOPS: Cambridge Cognitive and Psychiatric Assessment Kit

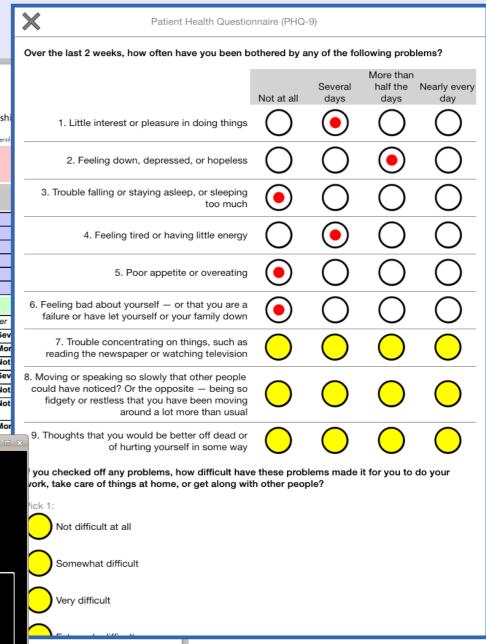
- Clients (Android, Windows, Linux; soon iOS, OS/X) + institution-hosted web server.
- Offline operation, secure info transfer.
- Clinical assessment: clerking, progress notes, photos, referrals, diagnostic coding, discharge information...
- Questionnaire-style tasks (e.g. self-administered and clinician-scored rating scales, cognitive assessments).
- More complex animated tasks (e.g. 3D intradimensional / extradimensional set-shifting).
- Methods to deal with different kinds of copyright restrictions.
- Operates in clinical and research environments (e.g. identifiable versus pseudonyms).
- Definable group-level ID policies and security structure.
- Free (speech, beer). Cost = IT infrastructure (tablets, server, etc.).
- In use for clinical research and coming into routine clinical practice.



Page 1. Clerking created 28

# Client/server views

PATIENT, TEST (M), DOB: 23 Nov 1983, NHS: 2. Cambridgesh Cambridge Cognitive and Psychiatric Assessment Kit PATIENT, TEST (M). DOB: 23 Nov 1983. NHS: 2. Under: PATIENT, TEST (M) Date of birth: 23 November 1983 Cambridge Cognitive and Psychiatric Assessment Kit NHS number: 2 PATIENT, TEST (M) Patient Health Questionnaire-9 (PHQ-9) Date of birth: 23 November 1983 Created: 28 November 2013, 23:14 +0000 (patient aged 30) NHS number: 2 Completed? Yes Psychiatric clerking (Clerking) Total score [1] 6/27 Created: 28 November 2013, 23:15 +0000 (patient mild PHQ9 depression severity: [2] Clinician's specialty: 1/2, 1/7, 2/9 Number of symptoms: core [3], other [4], total Clinician's name: PHQ9 major depressive syndrome? [5] No Clinician's professional registration: PHQ9 other depressive syndrome? [6] Yes Clinician's post: Ratings are over the last 2 weeks. Clinician's contact details: Question Answer Current contact 1. Little interest or pleasure in doing things 1 — Sev Location 2. Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless 2 — Moi **Transplant HDU** 3. Trouble falling or staying asleep, or sleeping too much 0 — Not Contact type (e.g. admission, referral, outpatients, e 4. Feeling tired or having little energy 1 — Sev Referred by hepatology 5. Poor appetite or overeating 0 — Not Reason for contact (e.g. patient's reason, profession 6. Feeling bad about yourself — or that you are a failure or 0 — Not have let yourself or your family down Low mood following liver transplant 7. Trouble concentrating on things, such as reading the 2 — Mor Presenting issue(s) (history of presenting complaint) Mr Patient felt well prio camcops OLT (donor/recipient Cl 6. Graft function is goo He reports low mood ar leave hospital. He think energy. He continues to occasionally by ward n some difficulty concent He has had no thoughts Review of symptoms/sys Unremarkable except se Collateral history Transplant team: doing Wife: never anxious bet Background Diagnoses — psychiatric Diagnoses — medical (p Primary sclerosing cho Cirrhosis, portal hypert Eczema Operations and procedur Orthotopic liver transpl Ingrowing toenail excis Allergies and adverse rea NKDA



- ► Alzheimer's Society (O'Brien). Using medical records to diagnose dementia with Lewy bodies.
- ► MRC Mental Health Data Pathfinder (Cardinal). Cambridge themes:
- 1. Consolidating/extending the CPFT Research Database
- ► Linkage to ongoing cohort studies, and across mental/physical health.
- ► Cloud-based natural language processing (with KCL, Microsoft).
- 2. Improving the range and depth of structured clinical/cognitive data
- ► Integration of rapid, secure, structured data capture across research and clinical settings, ± large-scale online testing.
- Characterization of specimen cohorts, e.g. immunopsychiatry.
- 3. Tackling the mortality gap in serious mental illness
- ► Predict e.g. mortality using classical statistical and machine-learning approaches (with: Computer Lab, Microsoft Research UK).
- ▶ Inform interventions.
- 4. Democratizing mental health research
- ► Improved query tools/data visualization, inc. for clinician-/patient-led research.
- ► Patient/public involvement re best national system for consent for data use (for research and clinical purposes) and contact.

