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Bending the Rules: A Deep Dive into Custom Rule Creation with the Open Rules Project

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Meet the Speaker

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Agenda

1. About CDISC Open Rules
2. CDISC Open Rules: how does it work
3. Local custom rules with CDISC Open Rules
4. Who can create CDISC Open Rules and why should we
5. Creating custom CDISC Open Rules
6. Use cases
7. Suggestions – AI integration



About CDISC Open Rules

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Rules

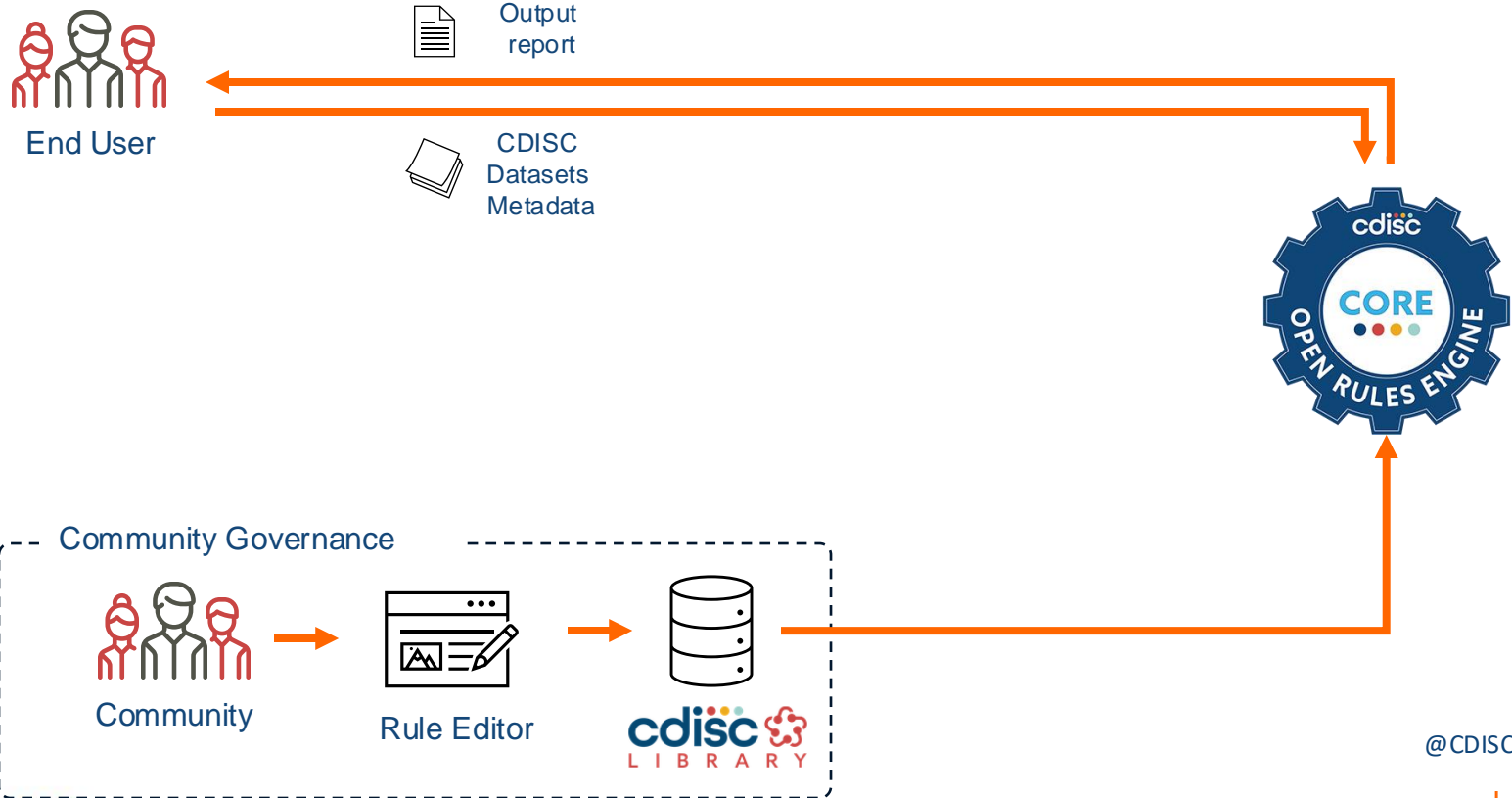
- CDISC governed – single source of truth
- Community driven
- Executable rules
- Submission ready
- Open-Source





CDISC Open Rules: How does it work?

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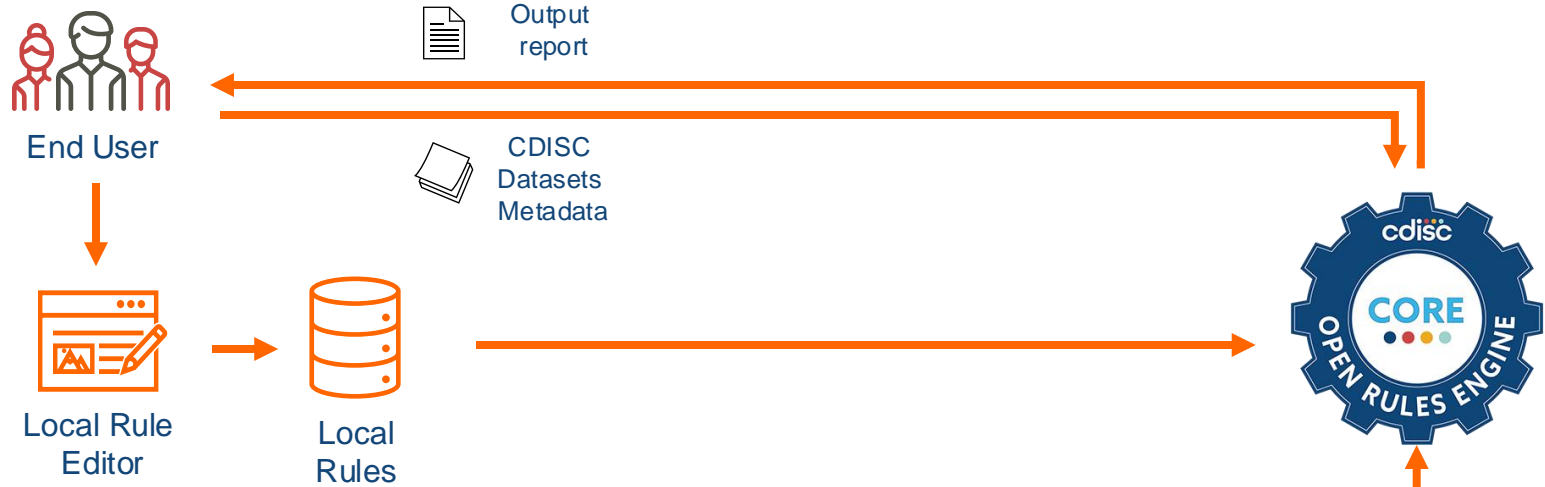




Local custom rules with CDISC Open Rules

Can we create our own rules with CDISC Open Rules?

Developing custom rules with CDISC Open Rules



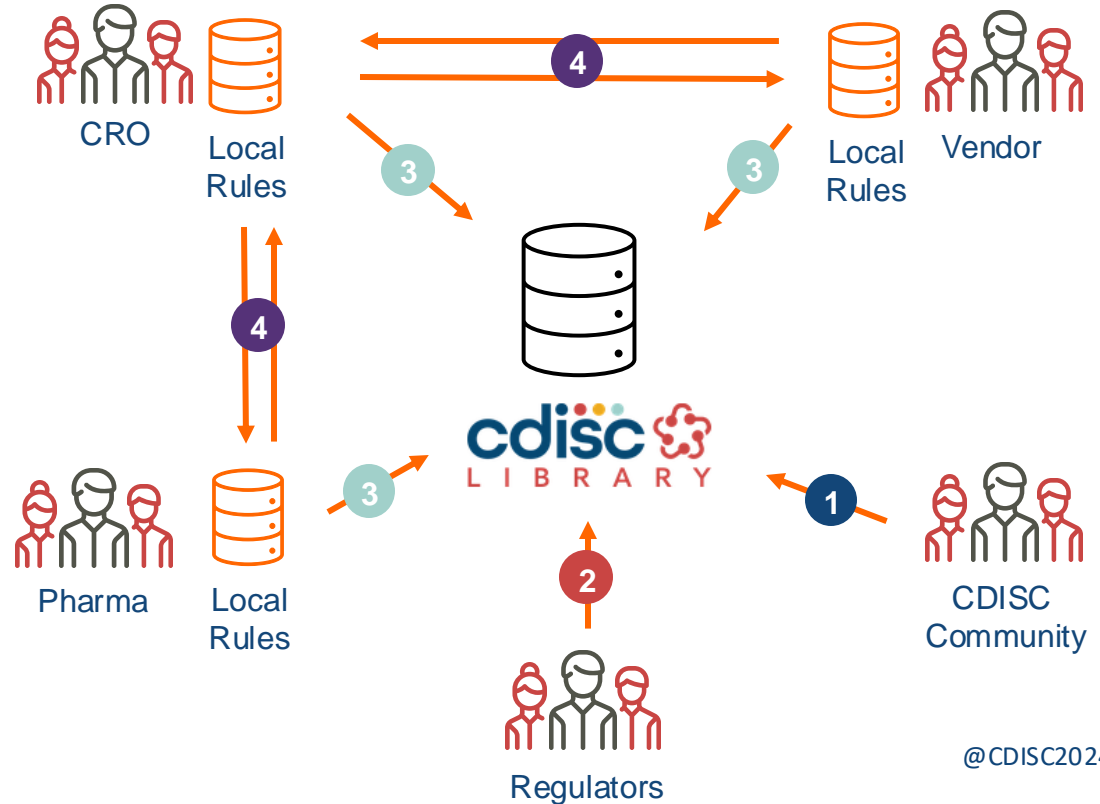
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Who can create rules with CDISC Open Rules and why should we?

Who & Why?

- 1 CDISC rules governance
- 2 Collaboration CDISC / FDA
- 3 Contribution to CDISC rules
- 4 Transfer of custom rules



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Creating custom CDISC Open Rules

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Process flow:



Rule Editor

- Web application
- Written in TypeScript
- YAML
- Real-time syntax checking
- GitHub workflow provided

Rule Engine

- Download from GitHub
- Command line interface
 - integrate in existing process flows e.g. Nightly automatic conversion workflow
- CLI – UI interface for less tech-savvy people – SGS proof of concept



Creating custom rules

- CLI – **UI interface** for less tech-savvy people
 - SGS's proof of concept
 - Efficiency gain

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C:/core/core.exe validate
-s sdtmig -v 3-4 -dv 2-1
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-dxp C:/Core_usecases/CDISC_extended/data
-whodrug
C:/Core_usecases/CDISC_extended/WHODD
-meddra
C:/Core_usecases/CDISC_extended/MedDRA
-of xlsx
-o
C:/Core_usecases/CDISC_extended/core_report
_20240923103803
-l debug -p percents
```

SGS CORE Validator

Standard:

Version:

Define Version:

Dataset Selection: xpt json path

Dataset Files:

Define XML:

CT Packages:

WHODrug Directory:

MedDRA Directory:

Rules:

Local Rules:

Report Format: xlsx json

Report Location:

Log Level: disabled critical error warn info debug

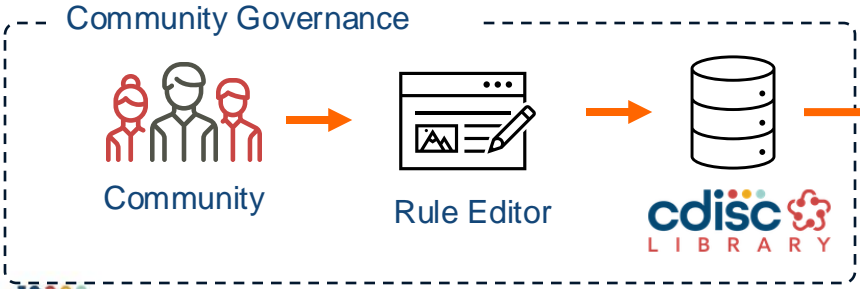
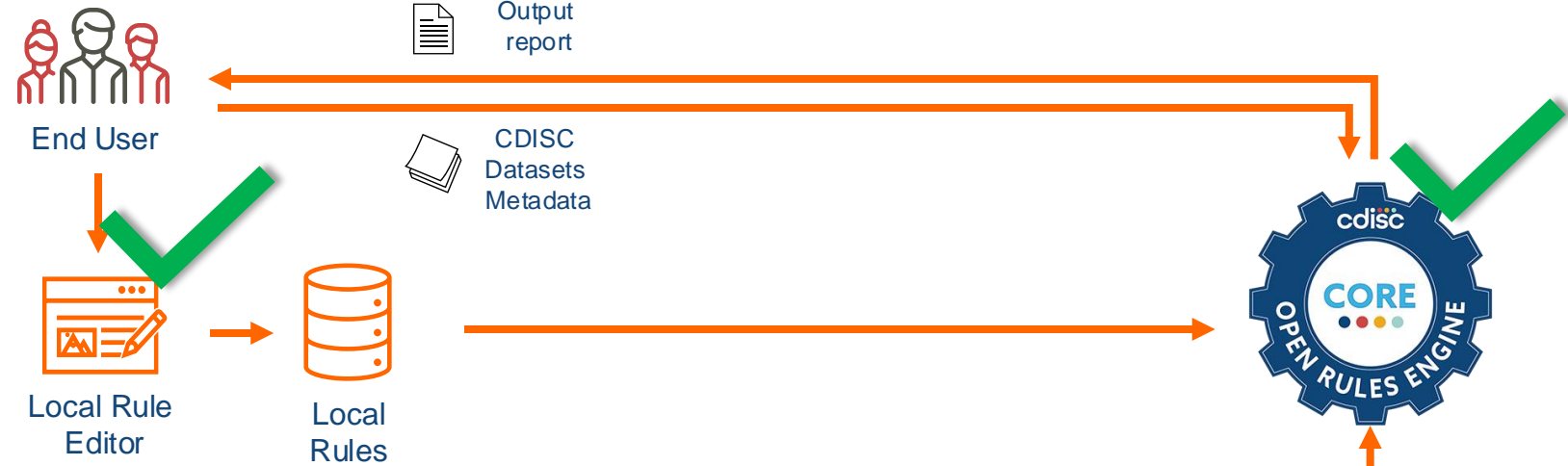
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Process is running...

Developing rules with CDISC Open Rules





Use Cases – custom CDISC Open Rules

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Q2 COSA Quarterly Spotlight Webinar:

- <https://www.cdisc.org/core/authoring-and-running-your-own-rules>
- Rule not currently included in the CDISC governed set
- Rule for data cleaning
- Rule for non-CDISC clinical data such as external vendor data





Use Cases – custom CDISC Open Rules

Data listings

Use case: data listings

- List all male subjects older than 40 and female subjects older than 41

```
Check:
  any:
    - all:
      - name: AGE
        operator: greater_than
        value: 40
      - name: SEX
        operator: equal_to
        value: M
    - all:
      - name: AGE
        operator: greater_than
        value: 41
      - name: SEX
        operator: equal_to
        value: F
```

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48 Check:
49 any:
50 - all:
51   - name: AGE
52     operator: greater_than
53     value: 40
54   - name: SEX
55     operator: equal_to
56     value: M
57 - all:
58   - name: AGE
59     operator: greater_than
60     value: 41
61   - name: SEX
62     operator: equal_to
63     value: F
64 Core:
65   Id: "ROMAN-0002"
66   Status: Draft
67   Version: '1'
68   Description: in Accordance to the inclusion/exclusion criteria, Raise an error if
69     the male subject's age is greater than 40 and the female subject's age is greater
70     than 41.
69   Executability: Fully Executable
70 Outcome:
71   Message: AGE greater than 40 and SEX is equal to "M" or AGE greater than 41 and
72     SEX is equal to "F".
72 Rule Type: Record Data
73 Scope:
74 Classes:
75   Include:
76     - SPECIAL PURPOSE
77 Domains:
78   Include:
79     - DM
80 Sensitivity: Record
```

Use case: data listings

CORE-ID	Message	Dataset	USUBJID	Record	Variable(s)	Value(s)
ROMAN-0002	AGE greater than 40 and SEX is equal to "M" or AGE greater than 41 and SEX is equal to "F".	DM	SGS-DRG-001-01-S001	1	AGE, SEX	42.0, F
ROMAN-0002	AGE greater than 40 and SEX is equal to "M" or AGE greater than 41 and SEX is equal to "F".	DM	SGS-DRG-001-01-S014	7	AGE, SEX	42.0, M
ROMAN-0002	AGE greater than 40 and SEX is equal to "M" or AGE greater than 41 and SEX is equal to "F".	DM	SGS-DRG-001-01-S024	9	AGE, SEX	48.0, M
ROMAN-0002	AGE greater than 40 and SEX is equal to "M" or AGE greater than 41 and SEX is equal to "F".	DM	SGS-DRG-001-01-S033	13	AGE, SEX	45.0, F
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ROMAN-0002	AGE greater than 40 and SEX is equal to "M" or AGE greater than 41 and SEX is equal to "F".	DM	SGS-DRG-001-01-S047	19	AGE, SEX	48.0, F
ROMAN-0002	AGE greater than 40 and SEX is equal to "M" or AGE greater than 41 and SEX is equal to "F".	DM	SGS-DRG-001-01-S048	20	AGE, SEX	44.0, M
ROMAN-0002	AGE greater than 40 and SEX is equal to "M" or AGE greater than 41 and SEX is equal to "F".	DM	SGS-DRG-001-01-S049	21	AGE, SEX	43.0, M
ROMAN-0002	AGE greater than 40 and SEX is equal to "M" or AGE greater than 41 and SEX is equal to "F".	DM	SGS-DRG-001-01-S052	23	AGE, SEX	51.0, M

Use case: data listings

- Current output file/structure not ideal
- Indications

USUBJID	AGE	SEX	IND_COUNTRY_BEL
SGS-DRG-00A-S001	42	F	*
SGS-DRG-00A-S002	42	M	
SGS-DRG-00A-S003	48	M	
SGS-DRG-00A-S004	55	F	*
SGS-DRG-00A-S005	45	F	
SGS-DRG-00A-S006	41	M	
SGS-DRG-00A-S007	51	M	*

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Use Cases – custom CDISC Open Rules

Validate external data based on a non-SDTM define.xml

Use case: define.xml

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- Structure
- Codelist

LB (Labo) - [VENDOR 1.0]

Location: [labo.xpt](#)

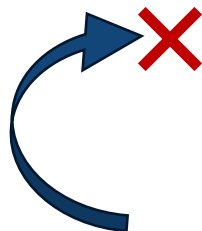
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Testname	Lab Test Name	text	Topic	6	Labo Test Code <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "PROTEIN" = "Protein" • "MAGNESIUM" = "Magnesium" • "CALCIUM" = "Calcium" 	Assigned (Source: Sponsor)
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<i>Char</i>	<i>Char</i>	<i>char</i>	<i>Char</i>	<i>Char</i>	<i>Char</i>	<i>Char</i>	<i>Char</i>
50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S001	PROTEINE	F		4.6 g/dL
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S002	PROTEIN	F		73 U/L
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S003	PROTEINS	M		8
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S004	CALCIUM	F		9.7 mg/dL
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S005	Magnesium	F		162 mg/dL
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S006	MAGNESIUM	F		23 U/L
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S007	GLUCOSE	M		77 mg/dL
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S008	MAGNESIUM	F		188 U/L
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S009	MAGNESIUM	F		2.1
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S010	PHOSPHATE	M		4.4 mg/dL
SGS-DRG-001	L003	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S011	PROTEIN	F		7.7 g/dL
SGS-DRG-001	L004	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S012	ALT	M		16 U/L

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<i>Char</i>	<i>Char</i>	<i>char</i>	<i>Char</i>	<i>Char</i>	<i>Char</i>	<i>Char</i>	<i>Char</i>
50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S001	PROTEINE	F	4.6	g/dL
SGS-DRG-001	L001	BE	SGS-DRG-001-01-S002	PROTEIN	F	73	U/L
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Use case: define.xml

Validate external data based on a non-SDTM define.xml

- **Structure**

```
Check:
  all:
    - name: variable_name
      operator: not_equal_to
      value: define_variable_name

Core:
  Id: "ROM-004"
  Status: Draft
  Version: '1'
  Description: 'Raise an error when the variable name
  in the define.xml does not
  correspond to the variable name in the dataset'
  Executability: Fully Executable
  Outcome:
    Message: Variable in dataset not available in the
    define.xml

Rule Type: Variable Metadata Check against Define XML
```

Rule Editor

EDIT TEST DIFF

- ✓ Validate YAML Syntax
- ✓ Validate YAML against Schema
- ✓ Convert YAML to JSON Rule
- ✓ Load Test Define.xml
- ✓ Load Test Datasets
- ✓ Results Negatives²

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- **Structure**



```
{ 1 item
  "LB" : [ 1 item
    0 : { 5 items
      "executionStatus" : "success"
      "domain" : "LB"
      "variables" : [ 1 item
        0 : "variable_name"
      ]
      "message" : "Variable in dataset not available in the define.xml"
      "errors" : [ 2 items
        0 : { 2 items
          "value" : { 1 item
            "variable_name" : "Country"
          }
          "row" : 3
        }
        1 : { 2 items
          "value" : { 1 item
            "variable_name" : "Unit"
          }
          "row" : 8
        }
      ]
    }
  ]
}
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Trial_id	Site_id	Screenid	Testname	Gender	value	Units
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SGS-DRG-001	L001	SGS-DRG-001-01-S007	GLUCOSE	M	77	mg/dL
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SGS-DRG-001	L003	SGS-DRG-001-01-S011	PROTEIN	F	7.7	g/dL
SGS-DRG-001	L004	SGS-DRG-001-01-S012	ALT	M	16	U/L

Use case: define.xml

Validate external data based on a non-SDTM define.xml

- **Codelist**

Check:

all:

- name: define_variable_ccode
operator: non_empty
- name: variable_value
operator: non_empty
- name: define_variable_has_codelist
operator: equal_to
value: true
- name: variable_value
operator: is_not_contained_by
value: define_variable_codelist_coded_values

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on a non-SDTM define.xml

- **Codelist**



```
"message" : "variable value not present in codelist in the define.xml"
  ▼ "errors" : [ 6 items
    ▼ 0 : { 2 items
      ▼ "value" : { 4 items
        "variable_value" : "PROTEINE"
        ▼ "define_variable_codelist_coded_values" : [ 3 items
          0 : "PROTEIN"
          1 : "MAGNESIUM"
          2 : "CALCIUM"
        ]
        "define_variable_ccode" : "C99999"
        "define_variable_has_codelist" : true
      }
      "row" : 37
    }
    ▼ 1 : { 2 items
```

Use case: define.xml

Validate external data based on a non-SDTM define.xml

- **Structure** ✓
- **Codelist** ✓
- Data types, value length, label, value lists, ...
- Rules are neither trial, vendor, transfer nor standard specific and could therefore potentially be used for any vendor transfer
- Enormous potential
 - Data transfer agreement between sponsor/CRO/Vendor → define.xml
 - Automate validation of the transfers
 - Annotate vendor define.xml to SDTM
 - Automate the SDTM creation



Suggestions for CDISC Open Rules



Suggestions for CDISC Open Rules

- Good rule governance
 - User / roles
 - Categorisation
- Follow-up on the output
 - Producing excel/JSON
- AI integration in the editor


Hello there! My name is COR-E, which rule do you want me to create today?

Hi COR-E, can you please create a rule that checks if a subject has taken more than 250 mg of Paracetamol?

Certainly! Here's the requested rule. Do you want me to create test data for it?

Yes, that would be very helpful

Sure, no problem, here you go!

 testData.xlsx

All 7 rules loaded.

Authorities:

- Organization: `SDTMIG`

Standards:

- Name: `SDTMIG`

Version:

Referen

- Origin: `SDTMIG Conformance Rules`

Rule Identifier:

Id: `CGXXXX`

Criteria:

Type: `Failure`

Version: `2.0`

Core:

Id: `CORE-000001`

Version: `1`

Status: `Draft`

Description: >

This rule checks that no subject has taken more than

Rule Type: `Record Data`

Scope:

Classes:

Include:

- `INTERVENTIONS`

Domains:





CDISC CORE Rule Generator

By Roman Radelicki 

Generates CDISC CORE rules in YAML code format.

Generate a CDISC
CORE rule for LB
domain and creat...

Create a YAML rule
for the DM domain
and provide test...

Generate test data
for a new rule in
the AE domain.

Provide YAML
code and test data
for a rule in the VS...



Message CDISC CORE Rule Generator



The YAML rule has been created, and the test data for the CM dataset has been generated and saved in an Excel file. You can download the test data from the following link:

[CM_Test_Data.xlsx](#)

This test data includes records that trigger the rule and records that do not, providing a comprehensive set for validation. [\[-\]](#)



Message CDISC CORE Rule Generator





Thank You!

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