Empowering Data Driven Health
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Agenda

• Precision Driven Health Partnership Overview
• New Zealand health system and data
• Partnership model and objectives
• Some exemplars
• The future
Learning Objectives

• Explain how data is transforming the practice of medicine
• Show the results of research examining the application of machine learning in health
• Create an understanding of how data-driven solutions benefit global health outcomes
• Show how New Zealand research is contributing to the transformation of health IT
Machine Learning will Disrupt Health

- Mass customization
- Self service
- New markets – often peer to peer
- Recommendation / reputation models
- New ways to collect and understand (lots of) data
- Health has 20-40% waste, according to WHO
The Data that Describes Us

- Social Data
- Exposome
- Device Data
- Transcriptome
- Proteome
- Epigenome
- Metabolome
- Microbiome
- Genome
- Imaging
- Clinical Data
The Data that Determines Our Health

- Genetics: 32%
- Behavioral Choices: 42%
- Social Circumstances: 16%
- Health Care: 10%

McGinnis et. al. Human Affairs, Vol 22 (2)
New Zealand

- Population 4.5M
- Well-educated, diverse population, suited for developing new technology
- Single payer (government-funded)
- Moving toward national electronic health records system
- New Zealand universities lead in data science
New Zealand Health Data

• Single patient identifier for 20 years
• Integrated data infrastructure
  – Linked database of data records, including health, education, social programs, justice
• Hosted significant longitudinal studies
  – Dunedin study tracked lives of people from 1974 till now
Precision Driven Health Partnership

Empowering Data-Driven Precision Health

The Precision Driven Health Research Partnership is creating the capability to optimize the health of each individual and their whanau by combining and learning from all available data.

This will improve health outcomes globally, increase health provider efficiency, and enable commercial success.
Research Program Highlights
Surgical Outcome Calculator

- Full national, unbiased dataset of 360,000 surgeries
- Multiple outcomes and timeframes
- Data includes specialty, health, acuity, severity, age, gender, ethnicity
- Patients and clinicians can make better shared decisions
Calibration & ASA Survival Plots

Strata: ASA+ASA1, ASA+ASA2, ASA+ASA3, ASA+ASA4, ASA+ASA5

Survival probability (%)

Time since operation (months)

Calibration comparison of 30 day models

SORT calibration

Perfect calibration

NZRISK calibration
Days Alive Out of Hospital

DAOH distribution for TURP in NZ

DAOH distribution for Open Colectomy in NZ
Stroke Outcome Prediction

- Predict health outcomes for stroke patients using machine learning
  - Predicts mortality
  - Inpatient stay
  - Post hospital care support
- Predictions built into clinician decision support
- Testing models versus expert clinician judgment
Stroke Outcome Prediction

- Models are at least as accurate as an expert
- The impact of each factor changes with context
- Physician or patient now has access to unbiased assessment
Precision Screening

Population screening inefficient

• Screening costs time, money and stress
• Can miss high risk individuals

Precision screening targets risk

• Eligibility criteria found using machine learning
• Criteria updated real-time
AAA Screening

AAA Risk in Male and Female Patients Aged 60-79

Precision Screening for AAA
The Case of Mr R

- 78 year old European man
- Ex-smoker (quit 2002)
- No family history of AAA
- No major comorbidities
- Estimated AAA risk 11.6%
- 60mm AAA found and repaired
Deep Learning

- Predict multiple outcome from multiple data sources
- Transfer learning from one population or condition to another
- Automated feature learning
- Patients like this
Deep Learning

Patient profile = lots of data

Summary vector

[Diagram of a deep learning model with nodes and connections]
Machine learning: integral to health

- Data availability and analysis is transforming health delivery
- Data quality is improving
- New Zealand provides an ideal test environment
- Examples in New Zealand can be scaled globally – to other populations, conditions, and data sources
Food for thought

• Social license and consent – what do our citizens expect and accept?

• History is biased, so machine learning algorithms will reflect that

• How much better does a black box need to be before you trust it?

• How much privacy will we sacrifice for better health outcomes?
Where will machine learning take us?

• Real-time research
• Tunable risk calculators
• Transferable knowledge
• Precision treatment
• Open source
• Disruptive business models
Questions

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