

# EMERSE Community Meeting



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# Plan for today

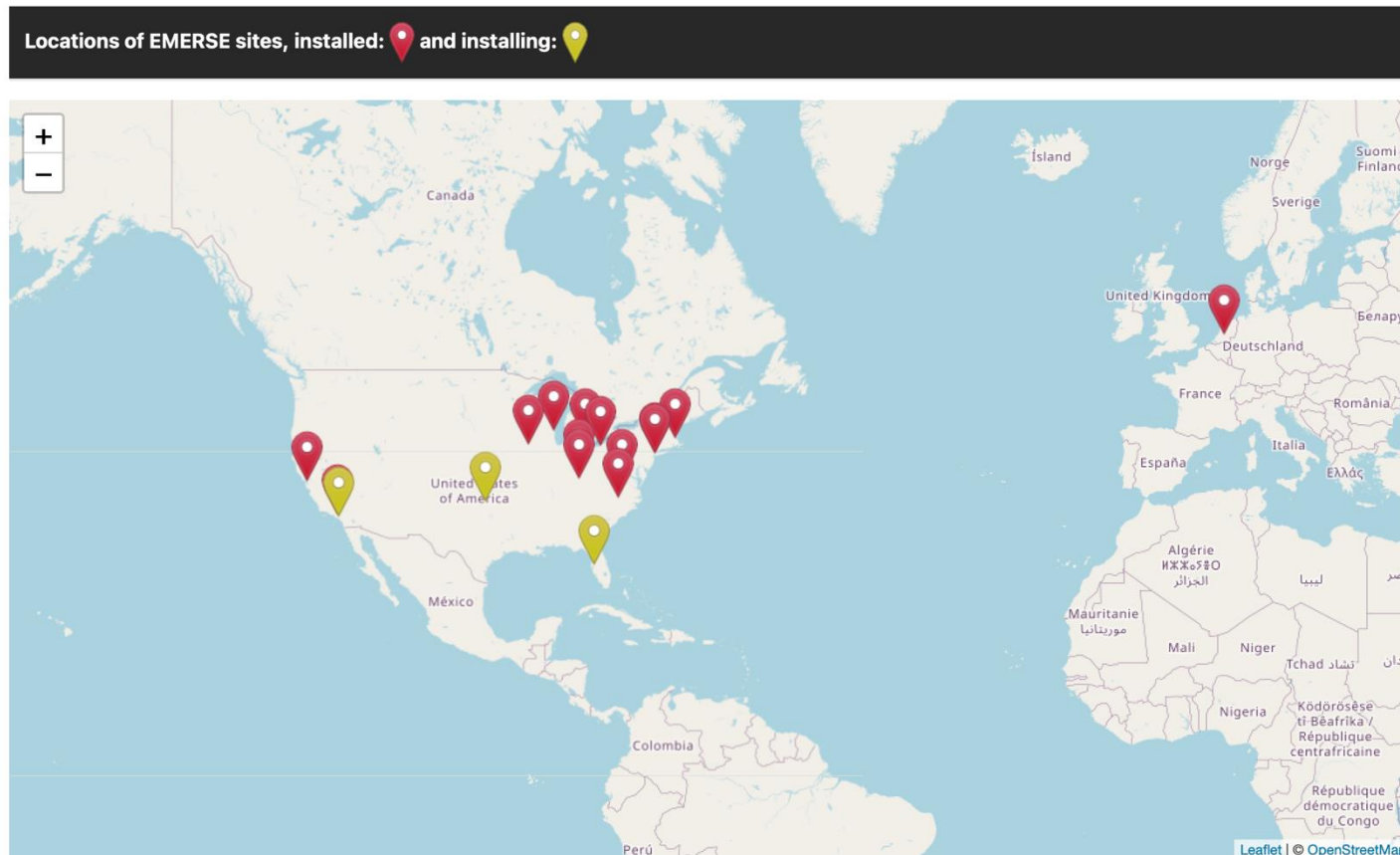
- Welcome and Housekeeping
- Announcements and Updates
- Open Forum
- Adjourn

# Housekeeping

- *Zoom Meeting*
  - More opportunities for interaction
- Please stay muted, unless you would like to ask a question or make a comment
- Feel free to use the chat function to type questions or provide comments
- We will answer questions throughout
- We will record this meeting; it will be available where prior recordings are located:
  - <https://project-emerse.org/presentations.html>
  - <https://project-emerse.org/community.html>

# Community

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# Publications using EMERSE



- Mattingly AS, et al. **Hypocalcemia After Cervical Procedures in Patients with a History of Nonbariatric Gastrojejunostomy.** Ann Surg Oncol. 2025 Sep 5. doi: 10.1245/s10434-025-18197-6. PMID: 40911241



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- Jha SA, et al. **Fracture Characteristics Among Adults With Intellectual Disabilities and Autism Spectrum Disorders to Inform Fracture Prevention Strategies: A Descriptive Study.** J Intellect Disabil Res. 2025 May 21. doi: 10.1111/jir.13255. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 40399135



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Carlozzi NE, et al. **Improving Outcomes for Care Partners of Individuals With Traumatic Brain Injury: Results for a mHealth Randomized Control Trial of the CareQOL App.** Arch Phys Med Rehabil. 2025 Apr;106(4):548-561. doi: 10.1016/j.apmr.2024.12.022. Epub 2025 Jan 9. PMCID: PMC11968231. PMID: 39798892



Diehl JN, et al. **Serious mental illness prolongs hospital admission following lung cancer resection.** J Thorac Dis. 2024 Dec 31;16(12):8450-8460. doi: 10.21037/jtd-24-762. Epub 2024 Dec 28. PMCID: PMC11740033. PMID: 39831237

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- Gupta S, et al. **Simulation-Based Training Improves Developmental Hip Dysplasia Examination and Diagnosis Skills on Newborns.** Acad Pediatr. 2025 May-Jun;25(4):102782. doi: 10.1016/j.acap.2025.102782. Epub 2025 Jan 23. PMID: 39855392



- Hazle MS, et al. **Documenting Pediatric Delirium During Transitions of Care: A Single Site Observational Study.** J Intensive Care Med. 2025 May 13:8850666251339457. doi: 10.1177/08850666251339457. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 40356555



- Kukora SK, et al. **Development and acceptability testing of a tracheostomy decision support video for parents.** PEC Innovation, Volume 7, 2025, 100412, ISSN 2772-6282, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pecinn.2025.100412>. PMID: Pending.



- Lu R, et al. **Clinical Delivery of Whole Systems Traditional Chinese Medicine and Impacts Upon Patient Reported Outcomes During IVF.** Glob Adv Integr Med Health. 2025 Jun 4;14:27536130251349116. doi: 10.1177/27536130251349116. PMCID: PMC12138210. PMID: 40475372



- Shapiro JN, et al. **Brain MRI Lesions in Alexia Without Agraphia: A Case-Control Study.** J Neuroophthalmol. 2024 Nov 25. doi: 10.1097/WNO.0000000000002263. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 39582117



# AMIA Meeting November 2025

## **Identifying Barriers in Implementing EMERSE Network Functionality: Findings from a Multi-Site Collaboration**

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# EMERSE version 7.1

- Current version
- New features in 7.1:
  - A few bug fixes
  - Synonyms counting in background
  - Collapsible navigation panel
  - Query Writer
  - Control over Boolean (AND/OR) options
  - Searches without terms

# Work in progress: UI Framework

- Updating backend UI framework
  - Removing Clarity UI (not Epic Clarity)
  - Will allow us to update Angular, reduce potential security issues
  - May speed up the interface
  - Lots of work, but will be mostly invisible to the users

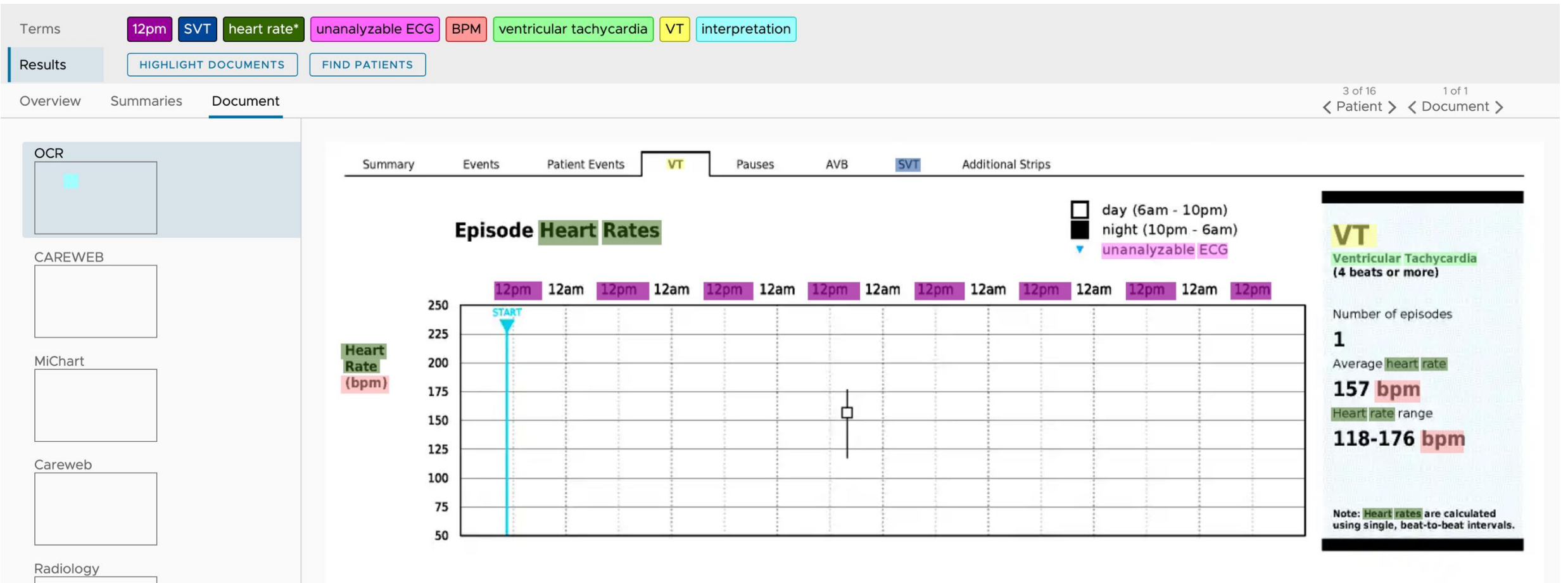
# Work in progress: Solr Cloud

- Exploring this as a way to scale up resources for improved performance

# Work in progress: OCR

- Optical character recognition (OCR)
  - We are building in general capabilities, but local implementations may vary
  - At Michigan we are settling for now on Apple Vision
    - Cost of hardware, no per page costs
    - Other cloud options exist (AWS, Google), but pay per page
  - Converting scanned documents, including PDFs into images, which will be stored in the index
  - At a minimum, a site would need the extract text and the X,Y coordinate of the text on the image
  - Will support highlighting terms within documents
  - Pros/cons of spelling correction is still unclear

# Work in progress: OCR



# Work in progress: Download Data

- Request from UCSF
- Offers authorized users ability to download large dataset of notes for use in downstream applications
- Would be off by default, controlled through privileges

# Work in progress: Download Data

File Name

CREATE DOWNLOAD JOB

Use the following options to select which documents to download. When your datasets are ready to be downloaded, they will appear in a table at the bottom of this window:

## Select patients:

- ☒ All patients in the active Patient List (ignore tags)
- ☐ Tagged patients in the active Patient List
- ☐ Untagged patients in the active Patient List

☐ Apply the current Patient Demographics filters to the Patient List to narrow the selection of patients

## Select documents:

- ☐ All documents
- ☒ Documents containing at least one of the active Search Terms

☐ Apply the active document filters to narrow the selection of documents

☐ Remove HTML markup when present

## Additional options:

- ☒ Download note metadata (e.g, note type, service, etc)
- ☐ Include the search terms appearing in the notes

## Export format:

- ☒ TSV – Each note will be stored in its own file, and a TSV will be generated with all metadata for all notes
- ☐ JSON – Each note will be stored in its own file, along with all metadata for that individual note.



# Work in progress: Flowsheets

- Enabled by an updated indexing pipeline that allows for both standard and custom annotations/NLP indexing simultaneously
- This would have to be customized by each site as part of data loading pipeline
- Take structured flowsheet data and create a table
  - Label certain components using custom NLP pipeline
- Would allow user to search only within a flowsheet, or certain parts of a flowsheet

# Work in progress: Flowsheets

## **S Non-patient subject**

- ☐ Find non-patients mentions only (example: "her mother has diabetes")
- ☐ Find patient-related mentions only (example: "she has diabetes")
- ☒ Find any mentions regardless of whether it was about the patient

## **U Uncertainty**

- ☐ Find uncertainty mentions only (example: "she possibly has diabetes")
- ☐ Find certainty mentions only (example: "she has diabetes")
- ☒ Find any mentions regardless of uncertainty

## **H History of**

- ☐ Find history mentions only (example: "history of diabetes")
- ☐ Find non-history mentions only (example: "she has diabetes")
- ☒ Find any mentions regardless of whether it was history

## **C Flowsheet Row Comment**

- ☐ Find content in flowsheet row comment only
- ☐ Find content not in flowsheet row comment
- ☐ Find any mentions regardless of where the content is

## **C Flowsheet Row Name**

- ☐ Find content in flowsheet row name only
- ☐ Find content not in flowsheet row name
- ☒ Find any mentions regardless of where the content is

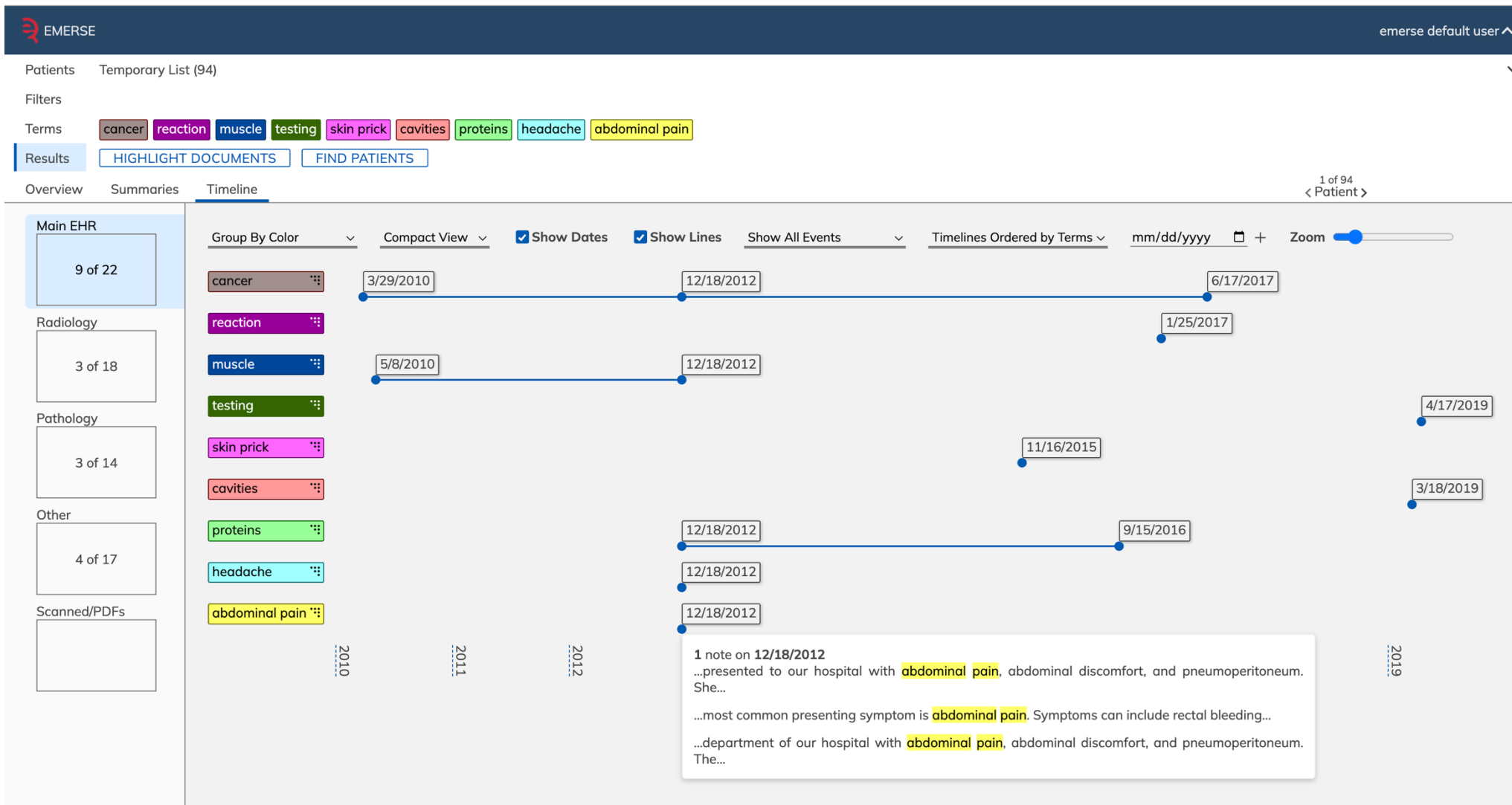
# Work in progress: Flowsheets

- This capability raises new possibilities
- If a site can label document sections (history, exam, assessment, plan, etc) those can become elements to limit searches to those specific sections

# Work in progress: Timelines

Summary	Report Id	Report Date ↓	Document Type	Admission Date	Pro
...Trustworthy CPGs development followed by <b>testing</b> on the first five pilot...	docid_2_...	04/17/2019	Admission Note	04/15/2019	Wi
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...but its role in oral <b>cancer</b> remains unclear... ...on the progression of oral <b>cancer</b> cells in vitro, and we...	docid_2_...	06/17/2017	Laboratory Report	06/16/2017	Ca Ka
...A general [4 + 1] cyclization <b>reaction</b> of carbonyl nucleophiles with 2... ...unprecedented asymmetric version of such <b>reaction</b> is also realized via chiral...	docid_1_4...	01/25/2017	Nutrition Note	01/03/2017	Ha Br
...with polydopamine from the adhesive <b>proteins</b> in mussels. It was successfully...	docid_7_...	09/15/2016	Nursing Note	08/16/2016	Lu Ma
...based on the results of <b>skin prick</b> test (SPT...	docid_1_2...	11/16/2015	Nutrition Note	10/18/2015	Wi Ak
...presented to our hospital with <b>abdominal pain</b> , abdominal discomfort, and pneumoperitoneum... ...most common presenting symptom is <b>abdominal pain</b> . Symptoms can include rectal bleeding... ...department of our hospital with <b>abdominal pain</b> , abdominal discomfort, and pneumoperitoneum... ...a family history free of <b>cancer</b> , and the last time she... ...associated with production of monoclonal <b>proteins</b> . These malignancies include monoclonal gammopathy... ...Mutations in genes encoding these <b>proteins</b> , such as P53, play a... ...Common complaints include swelling, <b>headache</b> , nasal discharge, epistaxis, nasal obstruction... ...or destruction of adjacent bone, <b>muscle</b> , and fat; and vascular encasement...	docid_8_...	12/18/2012	Consent Form	11/22/2012	Gr

# Work in progress: Timelines



# Work in progress: AI Integration

- Integrating ChatGPT or similar tools
- Much work to be done
- Will reach out to site leads soon
- Will try to survey users at sites
- If you have ideas on use cases, or specific functions in EMERSE, let us know

# Questions/Comments

- Any thoughts about work in progress?

# Discussion topics

- Any sites using EMERSE for non-research work (e.g., quality?)
- Large language model integration



# Wrap-up

- Thanks for attending!
- Next Meeting: TBD (Spring 2026)
- Please complete meeting survey:
- <https://bit.ly/emerse-nov-2025>

