

EMERSE Community Meeting



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Plan for today

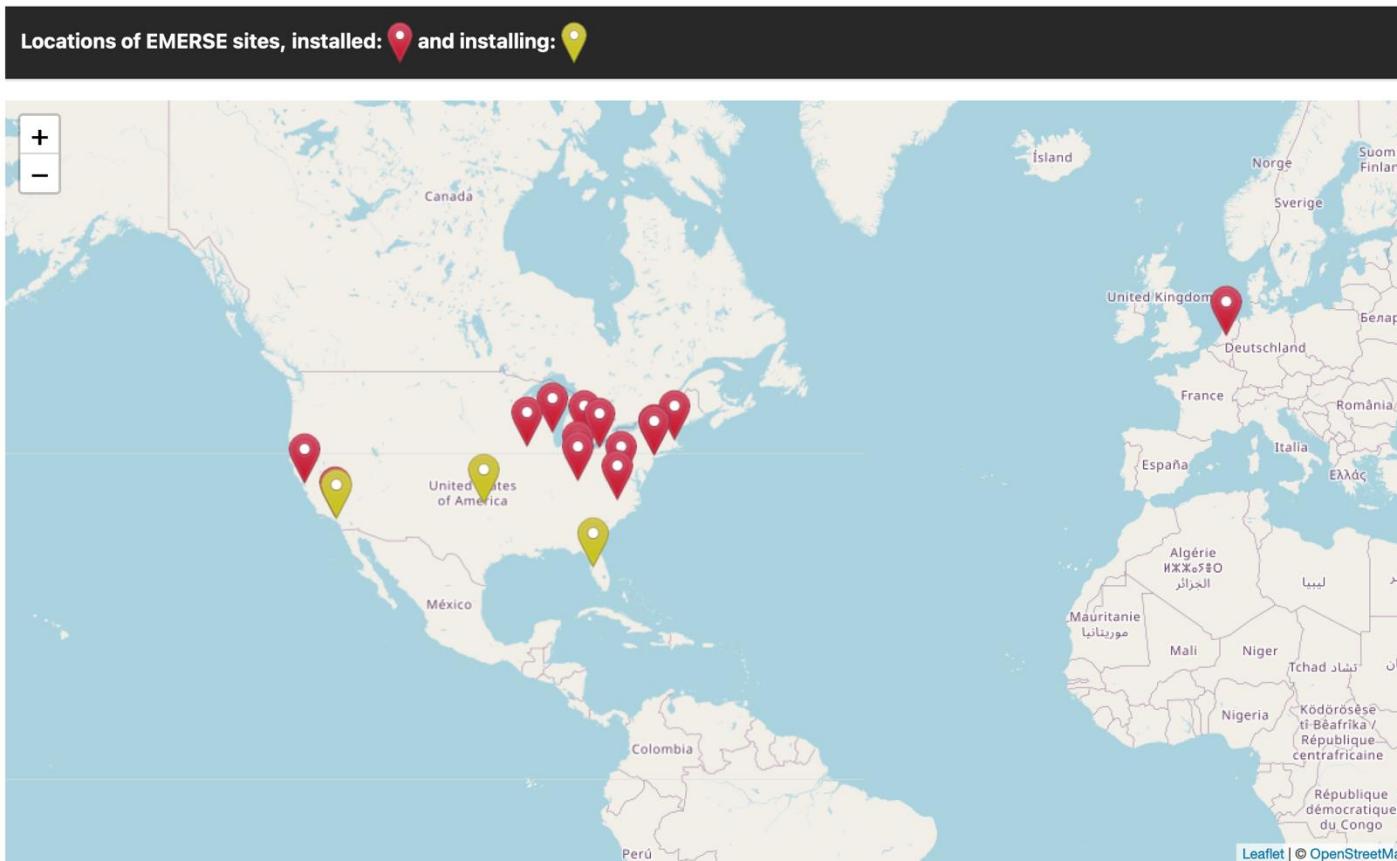
- Welcome and Housekeeping
- Announcements and Updates
- Open Forum
- Adjourn

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>

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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

Terms 12pm SVT heart rate* unanalyzable ECG BPM ventricular tachycardia VT interpretation

Results HIGHLIGHT DOCUMENTS FIND PATIENTS

Overview Summaries Document 3 of 16 1 of 1 < Patient > < Document >

OCR

CAREWEB

MiChart

Careweb

Radiology

Summary Events Patient Events **VT** Pauses AVB **SVT** Additional Strips

Episode Heart Rates

12pm 12am 12pm

250
225
200
175
150
125
100
75
50

START

Heart Rate (bpm)

Legend: day (6am - 10pm) night (10pm - 6am) unanalyzable ECG

Number of episodes: 1

Average heart rate: 157 bpm

Heart rate range: 118-176 bpm

Note: Heart rates are calculated using single, beat-to-beat intervals.

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

O 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

O 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

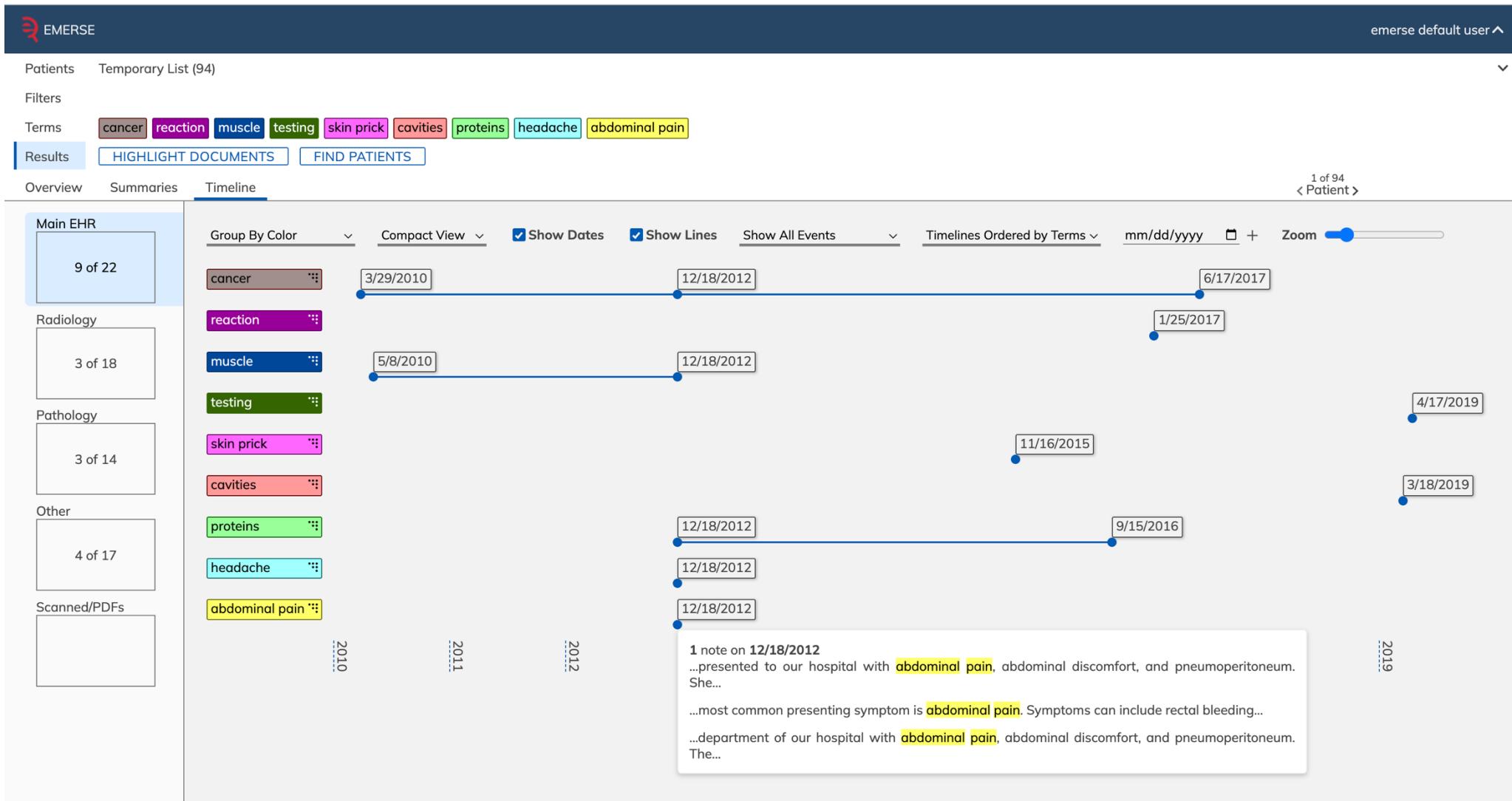
Work in progress: Flowsheets

- 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	Proc
...Trustworthy CPGs development followed by testing on the first five pilot...	docid_2_...	04/17/2019	Admission Note	04/15/2019	W...
...Te5) into ultra-small cavities of gap-plasmon resonators... ...fields within the ultra-small cavities . More interestingly, the THG signals...	docid_3_...	03/18/2019	Discharge Note	03/03/20...	Ra...
...but its role in oral cancer remains unclear... ...on the progression of oral cancer cells in vitro, and we...	docid_2_...	06/17/2017	Laboratory Report	06/16/2017	Ca...
...A general [4 + 1] cyclization reaction of carbonyl nucleophiles with 2... ...unprecedented asymmetric version of such reaction is also realized via chiral...	docid_1_4...	01/25/2017	Nutrition Note	01/03/2017	Ha...
...with polydopamine from the adhesive proteins in mussels. It was successfully...	docid_7_...	09/15/2016	Nursing Note	08/16/2016	Lu...
...based on the results of skin prick test (SPT...	docid_1_2...	11/16/2015	Nutrition Note	10/18/2015	W...
...based on the results of skin prick test (SPT...	docid_1_2...	11/16/2015	Nutrition Note	10/18/2015	W...
...presented to our hospital with abdominal pain , abdominal discomfort, and pneumoperitoneum... ...most common presenting symptom is abdominal pain . Symptoms can include rectal bleeding... ...department of our hospital with abdominal pain , abdominal discomfort, and pneumoperitoneum... ...a family history free of cancer , and the last time she... ...associated with production of monoclonal proteins . These malignancies include monoclonal gammopathy... ...Mutations in genes encoding these proteins , such as P53, play a... ...Common complaints include swelling, headache , nasal discharge, epistaxis, nasal obstruction... ...or destruction of adjacent bone, muscle , 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/emerge-nov-2025>

