

The Knowledge Graph Conference (KGC)

# Tutorial

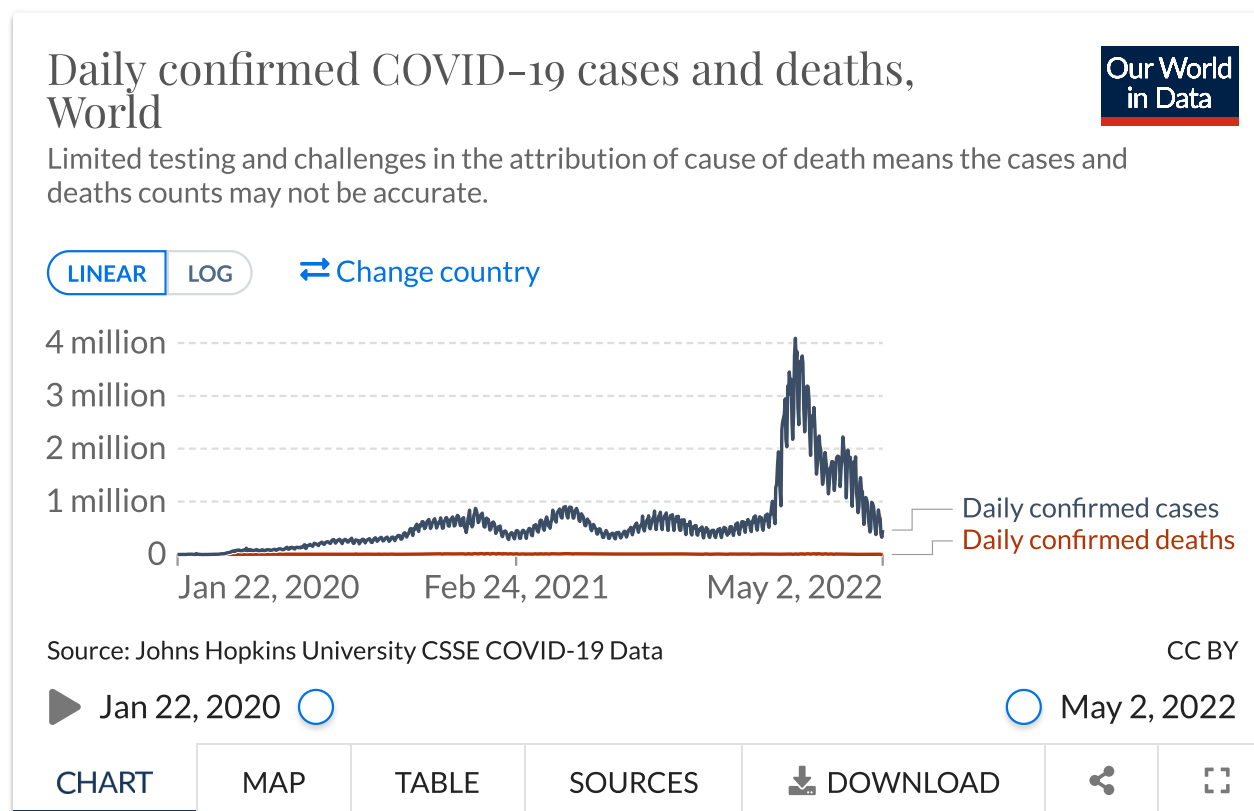
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## **Analysis of the Impact of COVID-19 Ontologies**

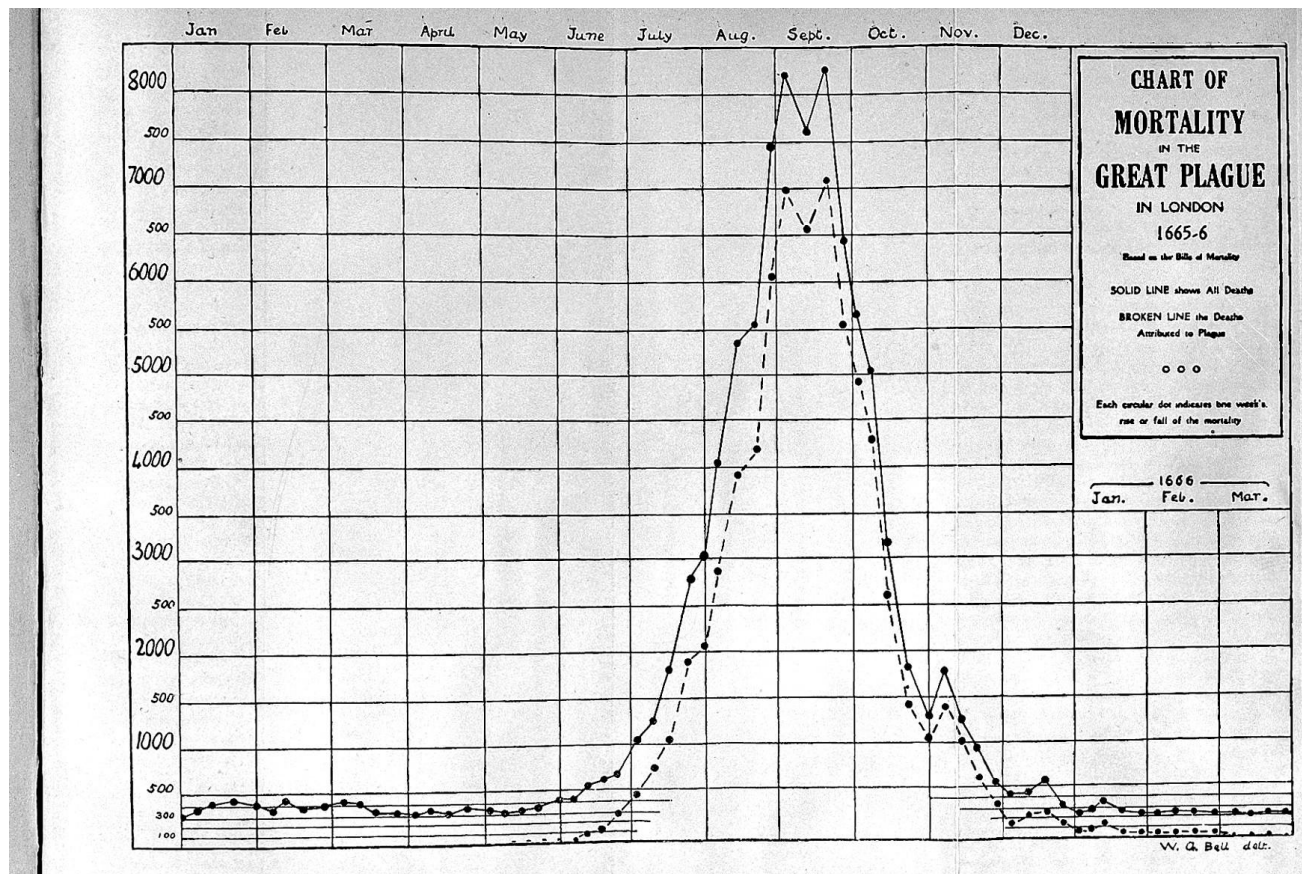
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# Worldwide: COVID-19 Confirmed Cases Daily

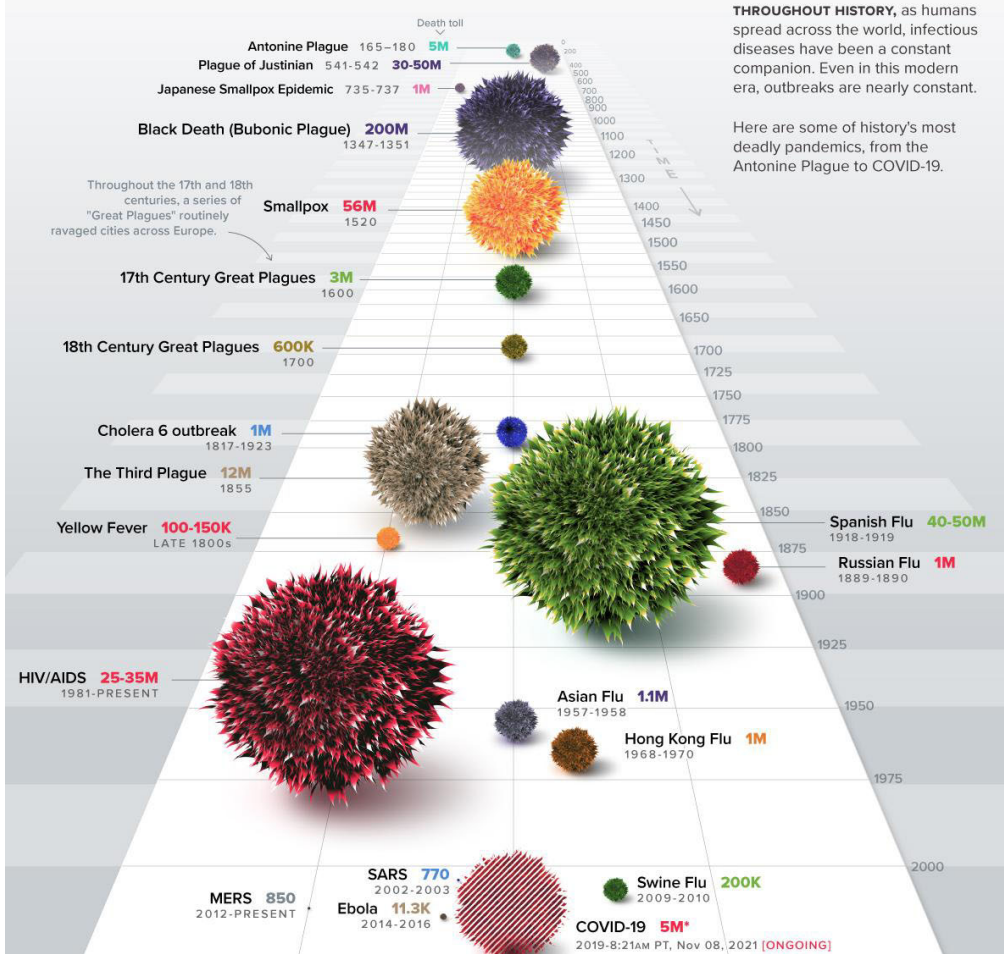


# Chart of Mortality, Great Plague in London (1665 to 1666)



# HISTORY OF PANDEMICS

PAN-DEM-IC (of a disease) prevalent over a whole country or the world.



**Analysis of the Impact of COVID-19 Ontologies/Knowledge  
Graphs  
(Sanju Tiwari)**

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# How to assess KG's quality? (Soror Sahri)

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# Existing tools for COVID-19 KG's quality assessment (Soror Sahri)

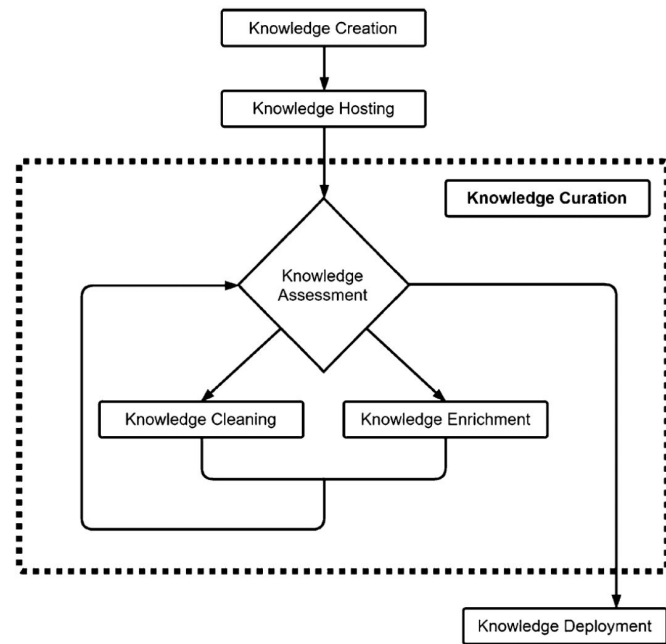
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KG Construction  
(Farah Benamara)



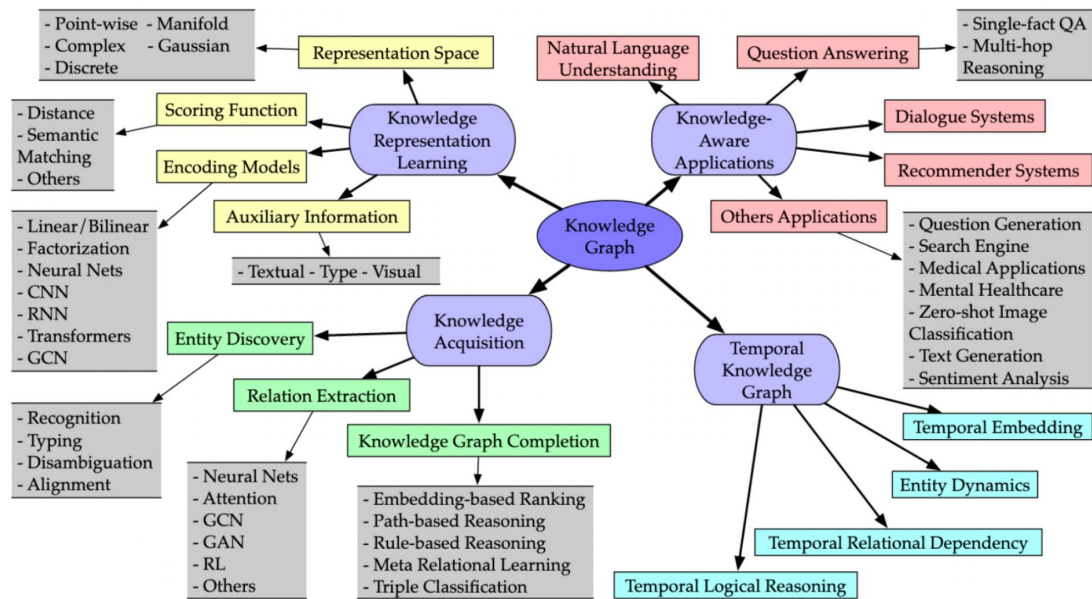
# KG Pipeline

- *Knowledge acquisition*: Extract information from different sources, structuring it, and creating useful knowledge
- *Knowledge hosting*: Collect, store, and retrieve semantic annotations
- *Knowledge curation*: Improve data quality via knowledge assessment, cleaning, and enrichment
- *Knowledge deployment*: Publish the KG following some principles (e.g., the FAIR and the Linked Data Principles)



The process of building a KG (Fensel et al., 2020)  
*Knowledge Graphs - Methodology, Tools and Selected Use Cases*

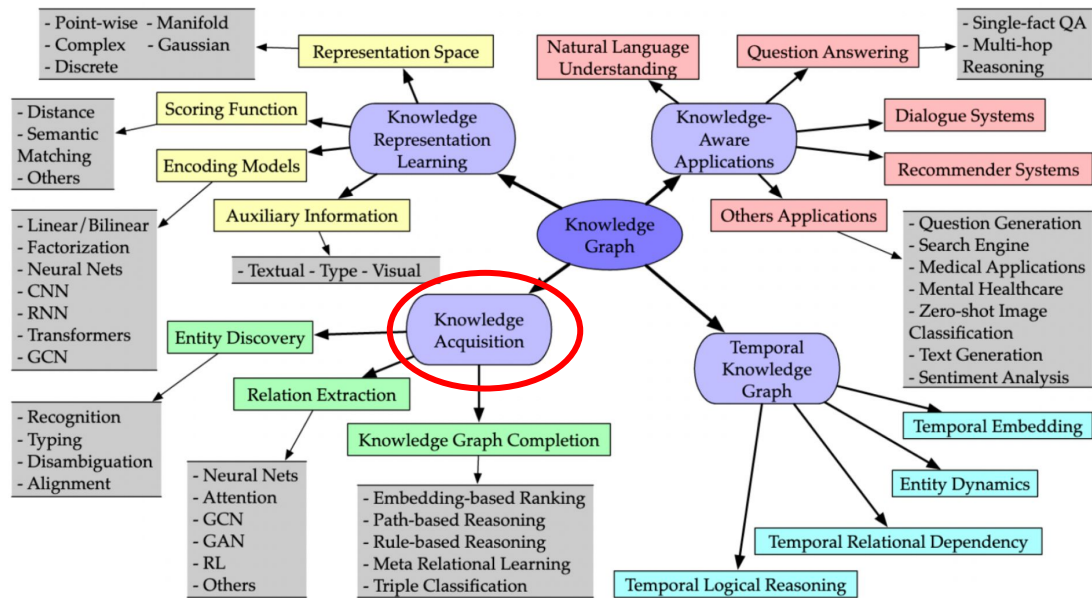
# KG Research Topics



Main research topics on KGs (Ji et al., 2020)

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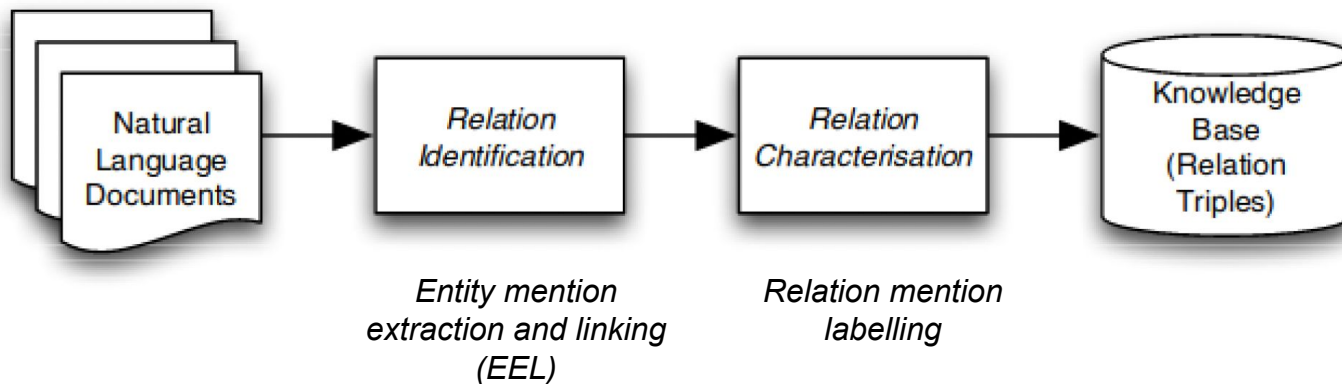
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# KG: Knowledge Acquisition

- Extract triples from either unstructured or semi-structured data
- Triples are then used for:
  - Creation and enrichment via extraction/mapping techniques from external sources
    - Direct contributions from human editors (crowd-sourcing or collaborative-editing platforms) ⇒ Errors/potential bias: humans are rather employed to verify and curate KGs
    - Textual contents via NLP and IE techniques
  - Refinement to complete and correct the KG
    - *Link discovery* (Nentwig et al., 2017): Predict the existence or the probability of correctness of missing edges
    - *Knowledge cleaning*
      - **Fact validation** (Syed et al., 2019): assign a plausibility score to a given edge
      - **Inconsistency repairs** (Bonatti et al., 2011): use ontological axioms to resolve inconsistencies

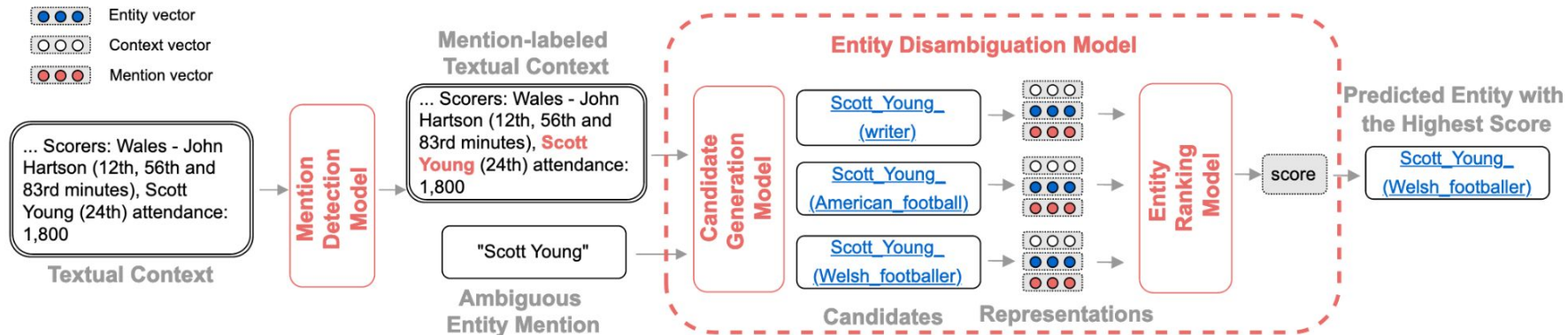
# KG: Knowledge Acquisition

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How Airbus became Boeing's greatest rival  $\Rightarrow$   
Compete(Airbus, Boeing)  
(Airbus, Competitor, Boeing)

# Entity Extraction and Linking



The general architecture of a neural EEL system

*Neural Entity Linking: A Survey of Models Based on Deep Learning* (Sevgili et al, 2022)

# Relation extraction

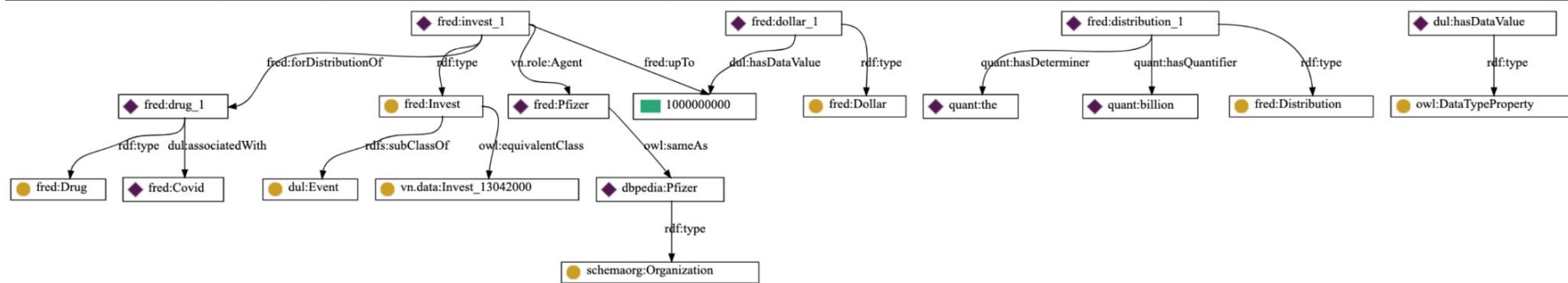
- ReVerb (Fader et al., 2011) (<http://reverb.cs.washington.edu/>)
  - Binary RE from flat sentences, verb-based relation phrases.
- OLLIE (Mausam et al., 2012) (<https://github.com/knowitall/ollie>)
  - Goes beyond verbal-based relations (nouns, adjectives, and more)
- FRED (Gangemi et al., 2017) (<http://wit.istc.cnr.it/stlab-tools/fred/>)
  - 48 different languages and transform it to linked data
- MinIE (Gashteovski et al, 2017) (<https://github.com/uma-pi1/minie>)
  - Deals with polarity, modality, attribution, and quantities
- OpenIE (Angeli et al., 2015) (<https://stanfordnlp.github.io/CoreNLP/openie.html>)
  - Part of the OpenNLP toolkit, process long sentences

For more tools/ressources on Open Information Extraction (OpenIE), visit:

<https://github.com/gkiril/oie-resources>

# Relation extraction

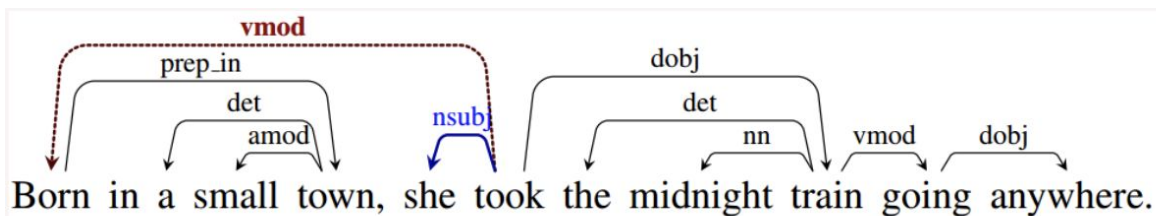
- The FRED tool
  - Pfizer is investing up to \$1 billion for distribution of the COVID drug





# Relation extraction

- Stanford OpenIE
  - Relations does not need to be specified in advance



(input)

*she took the midnight train going anywhere*

*Born in a small town, she took the midnight train*

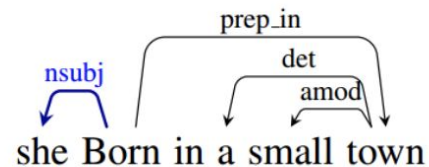
*Born in a town, she took the midnight train*

(she; took; midnight train)

*she took the midnight train*

***she took midnight train***

...



(extracted clause)

***she Born in small town***

*she Born in a town*

***she Born in town***

(she; born in; small town)

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# Existing COVID-KG Acquisition Pipelines

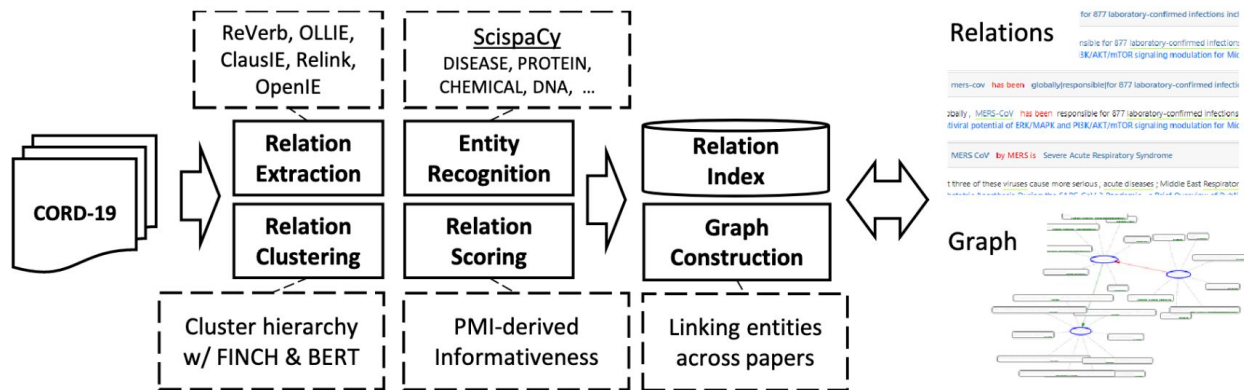
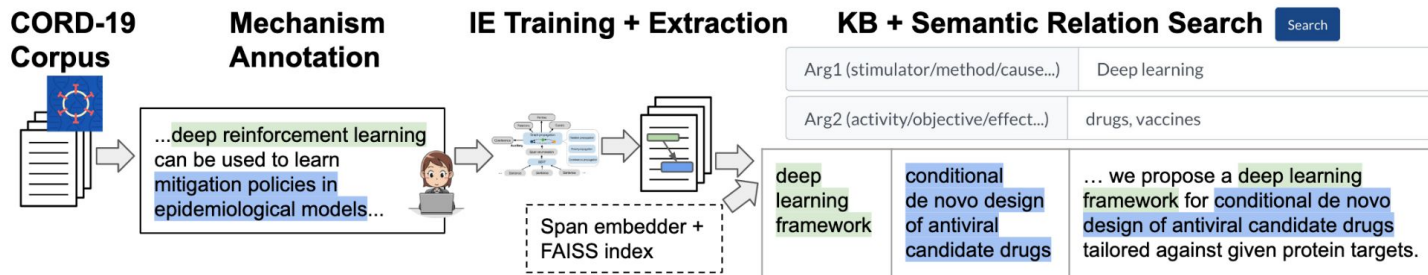
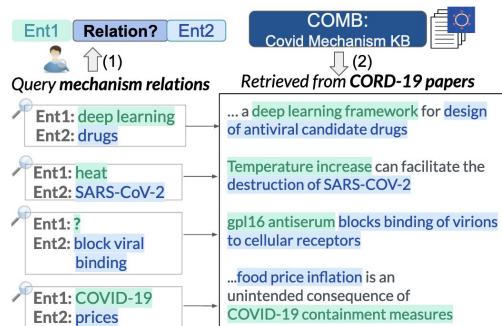


Figure 1: System Overview.

$arg_1$	$rel$	$arg_2$
[MERS-CoV] <sub>GGP</sub>	include	[fever] <sub>DISEASE</sub> , [chills/rigors] <sub>DISEASE</sub> , [headache] <sub>DISEASE</sub> , non-productive [cough] <sub>DISEASE</sub>
[MERS-CoV] <sub>GGP</sub>	is responsible for causing	lower [respiratory infections] <sub>DISEASE</sub> with [fever] <sub>DISEASE</sub> and [cough] <sub>DISEASE</sub>

# Existing COVID-KG Acquisition Pipelines




Extracting a Knowledge Base of Mechanisms from COVID-19 Papers (Hope et al. 2020)

<https://covidmechanisms.apps.allenai.org/>

# Search for COVID-19 classes on BioPortal

- Search URL: <https://bioportal.bioontology.org/search?q=COVID-19>

# BioPortal information about ontologies


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## Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities Terminology (MedDRA)

Last uploaded: November 18, 2021

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### Details

Acronym	MEDDRA
Visibility	Public
Description	MedDRA is an international medical terminology with an emphasis on use for data entry, retrieval, analysis, and display. It applies to all phases of drug development, excluding animal toxicology, and to the health effects and malfunction of devices. An appendix includes concept descriptions which describe how a medical concept is interpreted, used, and classified within the MedDRA terminology. It is not intended as a medical definition. The concept descriptions are intended to aid the consistent and accurate use of MedDRA in coding, retrieval, and analysis.
Status	Production
Format	UMLS
Contact	MedDRA MSSO, msohelp@meddra.org
Categories	Health
Groups	Cancer Biomedical Informatics Grid, Unified Medical Language System
License Information	The MedDRA ontology is maintained and distributed by the <a href="#">MedDRA MSSO</a> . This ontology is freely accessible on this site for academic and other non-commercial uses. Users anticipating any commercial use of MedDRA must contact the MSSO to obtain a license.

### Metrics

Classes	76,447
Individuals	0
Properties	13
Maximum depth	0
Maximum number of children	0
Average number of children	0
Classes with a single child	0
Classes with more than 25 children	0
Classes with no definition	76,219

### Visits

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### Submissions

Version	Released	Uploaded
2021AB <small>(Parsed, Indexed, Metrics, Annotator)</small>	11/01/2021	11/18/2021
2021AA <small>(Archived)</small>	04/03/2021	05/20/2021
2020AB <small>(Archived)</small>	11/02/2020	01/06/2021
2020AA <small>(Archived)</small>	05/05/2020	09/24/2020
2019AB <small>(Archived)</small>	11/04/2019	11/18/2019

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### Views of MEDDRA

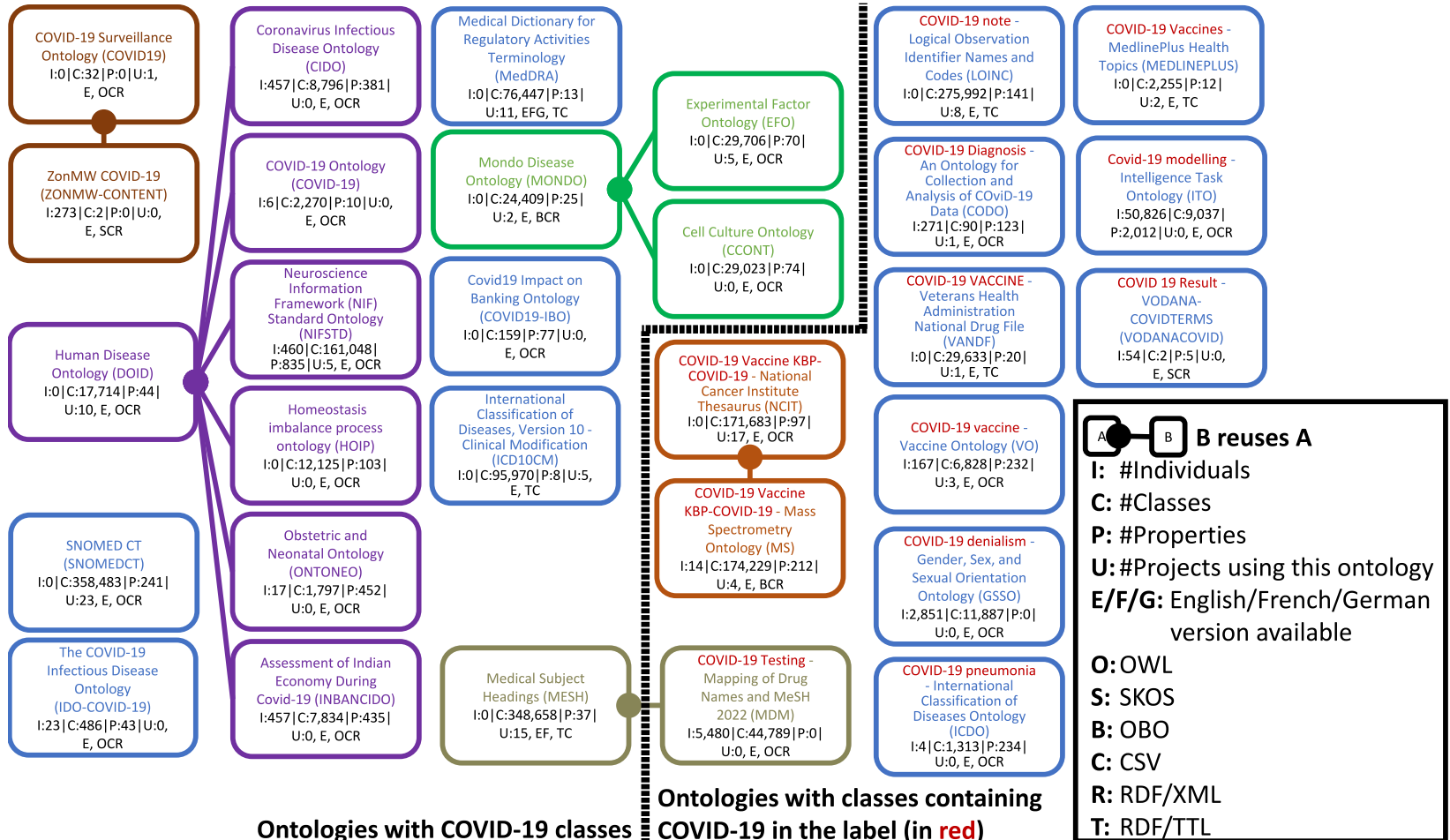
[MedDRA French](#)  
This is the French translation of the Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities (MedDRA).

[MedDRA German](#)  
This is the German translation of the Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities (MedDRA).

### Projects using MEDDRA

- eTOX
- ISA software suite
- Lexigram
- Mapping of Norwegian national quality registries- Variabelbibliotek for medisinske kvalitetsregistre
- NLP for the prediction of chemotherapy response
- PractiKPharma
- Safety and Toxicity of Excipients for Paediatrics (STEP) Database
- Signaling ADEs from social media
- Socrates MD
- Tao Hoang
- TerminologyLinkingService

# COVID-19 Ontologies on BioPortal



# How to measure impact of COVID-19 Ontologies? Number of reuses in ontologies

- High number of reuses in other ontologies
  - is a sign for the popularity of the reused ontology and its classes, – let ontology users stumble over the reused ontology when applying the reusing ontology, and – makes more reusings more likely
- Resulting Ranking:
  1. Class COVID-19 of the Human Disease Ontology (DOID): 6 reuses
  2. Class COVID-19 of the Mondo Disease Ontology (MONDO): 2 reuses
  3. Class COVID-19 of COVID-19 Surveillance Ontology (COVID19), of Medical Subject Headings (MESH) and of National Cancer Institute Thesaurus (NCIT): 1 reuse

# Which ontology to choose for your COVID-19 application?

- Not all COVID-19 ontologies will survive
  - Many ontologies will not be maintained any more in the future
    - .darkblue[funded project ends → no money any more] for maintenance
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**How to measure impact of COVID-19 Ontologies?**

# How to measure impact of COVID-19 Ontologies? Number of usages in projects

- Number of **usages in projects**
  - obvious measure for the ontology impact
  - in BioPortal is incomplete
    - more a sign for a good maintenance of the ontology & motivated ontology developers and project members pointing out these usages
    - remains as a good metric for the ontology impact
- Resulting Ranking:
  1. 32 projects: SNOMED CT
  2. 17 projects: NCIT
  3. 15 projects: MESH
  4. 11 projects: MedDRA
  5. 10 projects: DOID
  6. 8 projects: LOINC
  7. 5 projects: NIFSTD, EFO, ICD10CM
  8. 4 projects: MS
  9. 3 projects: VO
  10. 2 projects: MONDO, MEDLINEPLUS
  11. 1 project: COVID-19 Surveillance Ontology, CODO, VANDF

# How to measure impact of COVID-19 Ontologies? Number of direct and indirect usages in projects

- Number of **direct and indirect usages** in projects
  - **direct usage**: the usage of a given ontology in projects
  - **indirect usage**: the project usage of an ontology reusing the given ontology
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# How to measure impact of COVID-19 Ontologies? Weighted Combinations of Number of Reuses and Projects

- Both metrics (#reuses and projects) are independent in theory, but
  - a high number in using projects often results in an increased number of reusing ontologies and vice versa in practice
  - BioPortal is incomplete → #reuses and projects are sometimes extremely different
- Idea: Calculating a balanced metric for these extreme cases
  - Finding a good balanced metric based on rigorous analysis open challenge for future work

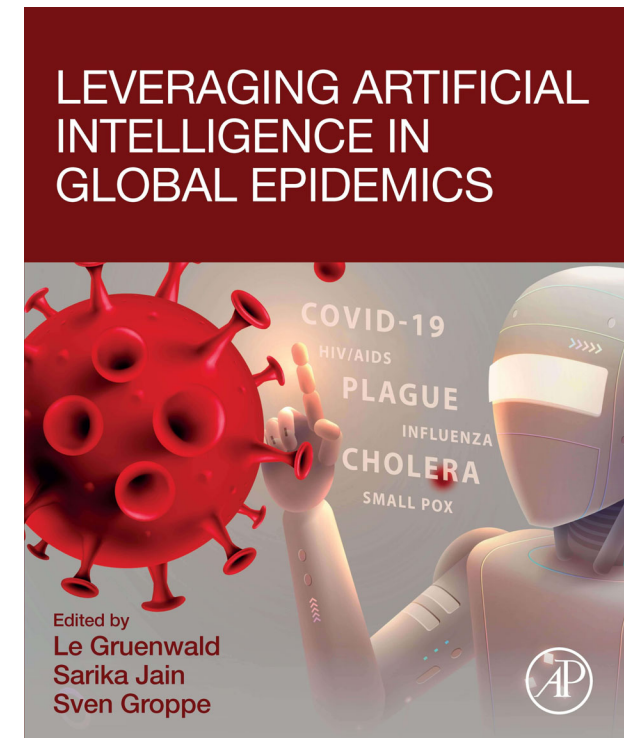
# How to measure impact of COVID-19 Ontologies? Open Challenges and Future Work

- **Datasets** (other than BioPortal) for usages of ontologies and projects
- **Metrics based on other properties**
  - Searches in ontology **search engines**
  - Number of instances of ontology classes in knowledge graphs
  - Number of applications using these ontologies
  - Number of accesses to instances of ontologies in applications
  - ...
- **Impact of knowledge graphs and datasets**

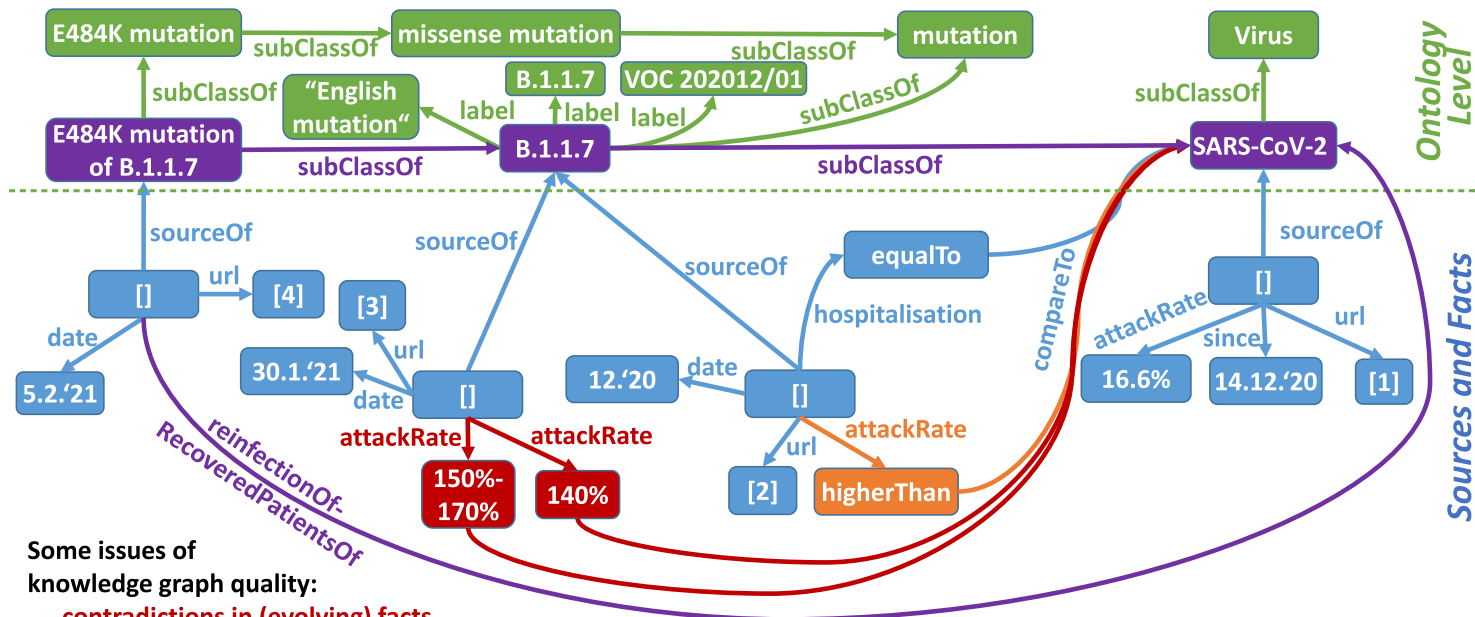
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4. Exploratory study of existing approaches for analyzing epidemics
5. A data science perspective of real-world COVID-19 databases
6. Preparing with predictions: forecasting epidemics with artificial intelligence
7. The worldwide methods of artificial intelligence for detection and diagnosis of COVID-19
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COVID-19 KG Open Challenges:  
For example: Vague Formulations  $\leftrightarrow$  NLP



## Some issues of knowledge graph quality:

- **contradictions in (evolving) facts**
- **checking vague formulations and compare them with other given information**
- errors with ambiguity: E484K mutation of B.1.1.7 is a SARS-CoV-2 virus, but reinfection with E484K is only possible for patients recovered from SARS-CoV-2 virus not mutating E484K (→ introduce class “SARS-CoV-2 without E484K mutation”)

[1] <https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamanetworkopen/fullarticle/2774102>

[2] [https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/959361/Technical\\_Briefing\\_VOC202012-2\\_Briefing\\_2.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/959361/Technical_Briefing_VOC202012-2_Briefing_2.pdf)

[3] <https://www.ruhr24.de/service/corona-britische-mutation-neue-studie-mutante-virus-toedlicher-sterberate-deutschland-90184403.html>

[4] <https://www.bmj.com/content/372/bmj.n359>

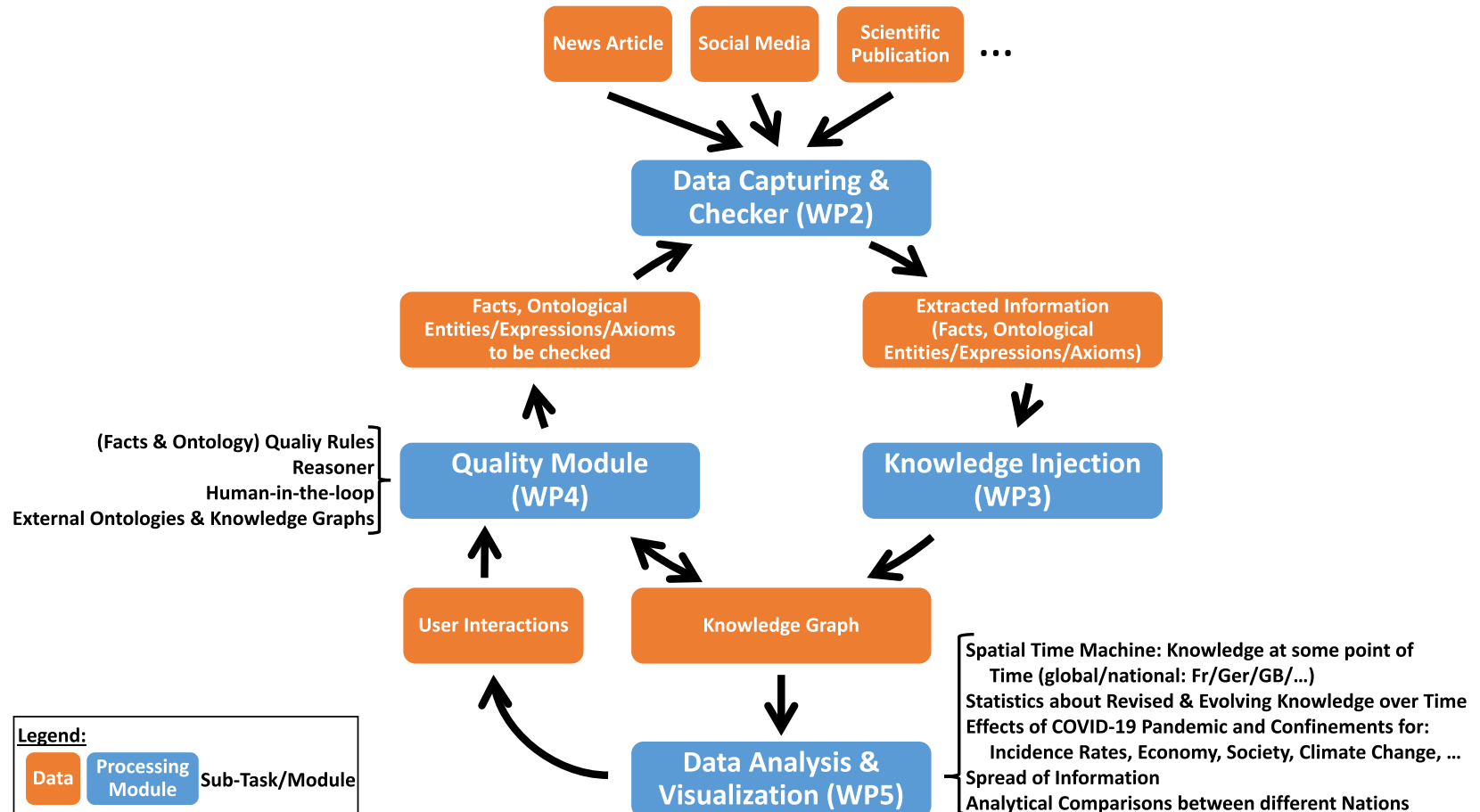
# High Quality Knowledge Graphs from recent English, French and German Emergent Trends with the example of COVID-19

## Main Objectives:

- project starting soon (universities of Paris, Toulouse and Lübeck)
- Generate high-quality Knowledge Graph for emergent English, French and German trends with the example of COVID-19
  - and make the resulting graph publicly available
- Compare the facts extracted from different data sources
  - e.g., last year scientific publications, news articles and headlines, social media like twitter, existing KGs
- identify conflicting assertions as well as complementary ones
- Investigate differences between En/Fr/Ger data sources
- An extensive data analysis & visualization of research findings based on the time machine
- Evaluate the quality of the KG throughout the process of KG enrichment and its querying



# High Quality Knowledge Graphs from recent English, French and German Emergent Trends with the example of COVID-19



# Expected Results

- Data analysis and visualization tools in order to deal with the following issues:
  - extensive statistics about the COVID-19 pandemic especially with focus on facts evolving over time and differences of knowledge in different nations like:
    - number of contradicting and revised facts,
    - number of changes of COVID-19 confinements,
    - calculate effects (using machine learning approaches) of COVID-19 pandemic and confinements for incidence rates, economy, society and climate change.
  - a visualization tool for visualizing the results obtained by the statistics module by:
    - an easy-to-use tool, but
    - which offers flexible ways for querying the data in order to support sophisticated analysis,
    - with satisfactorily answering queries with consideration of users' requirements on data quality as well as the fitness of data to meet those requirements

# Summary - COVID-19 Pandemic

- Statistics
  - Health: incidence rates, global health security index
- Timeline of discoveries and tech trends
- Predictions of incidence rates and other COVID-19 data in time series
- COVID-19 ontologies, knowledge graphs & data sets
  - Overview over existing ontologies, knowledge graphs and data sets
  - Quality assessment
  - Knowledge graph construction
- Further reading