



# Detecting and Eliminating Bacteria UsinG Information Technology

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# The debugIT Project in short

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- 14 Partners (next slide)



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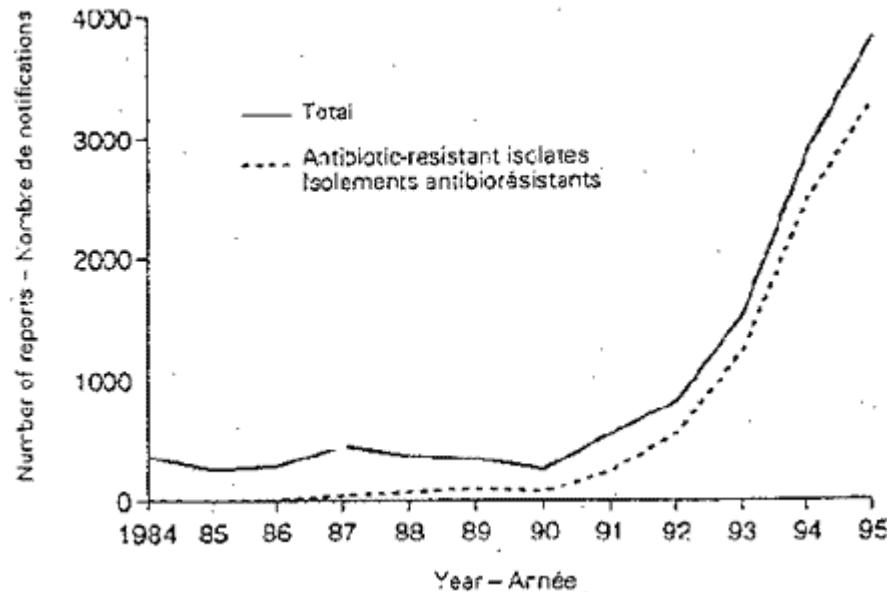
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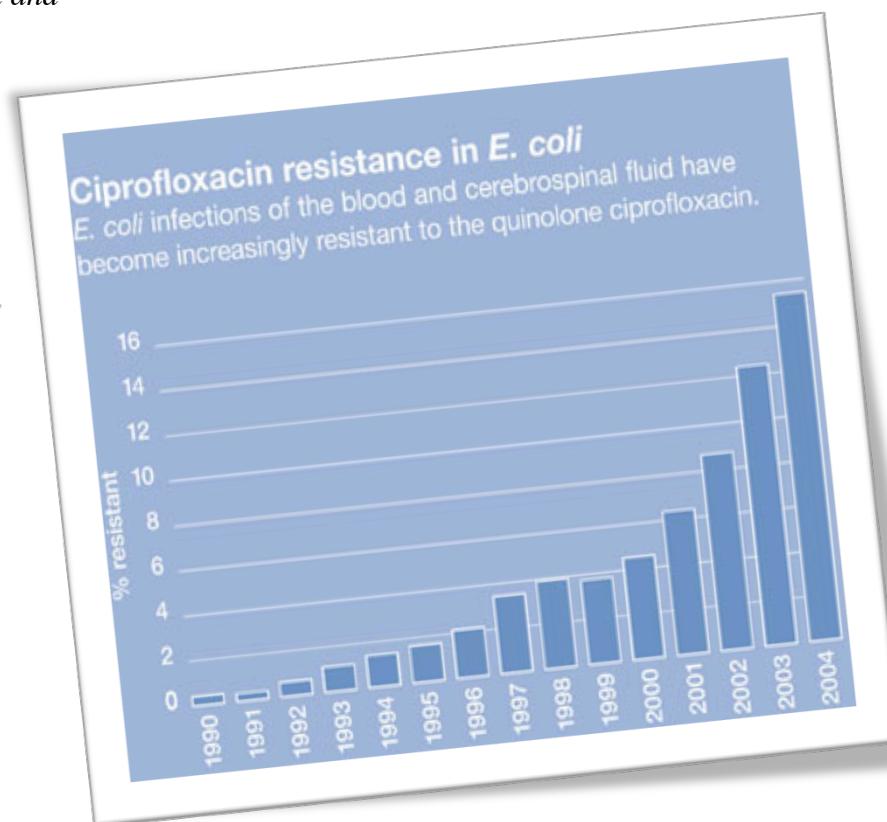
# Why ?

# The Problem

antibiotic resistance in *Salmonella typhimurium* DT104, England and Wales, 1984-1995



WHO Weekly Epidemiological Record,  
Vol 71, No 18, 1996



# The debugIT Response

- If new antibiotics can not keep up with the bacterial resistance and a race against evolution can only be lost,  
→ we need new solutions
- If this is a war and current weapons don't work anymore,  
→ we need a new weapon  
→ **ITbiotics** to help antibiotics





# How ?

# The debugIT Response

- the debugIT project
  - collects routinely stored data from clinical systems
  - learns by applying advanced data mining techniques
  - stores the extracted knowledge in repositories
  - applies the knowledge for decision support and monitoring





# Collect Data

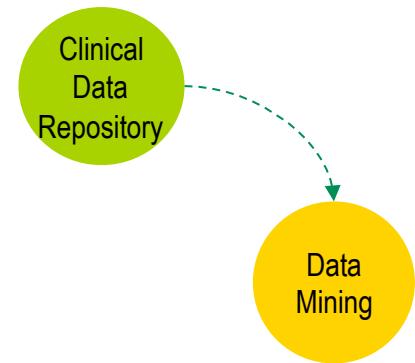
- Routinely stored clinical data is collected and aggregated across different
  - hospitals
  - countries
  - languages
  - information models
  - legislations
- via
  - commonly agreed data models (minimal data sets)
  - standards
  - mapping algorithms
  - unified and enhanced ontologies
- organized in a virtualized, Clinical Data Repository (CDR).

Clinical  
Data  
Repository

# Learn



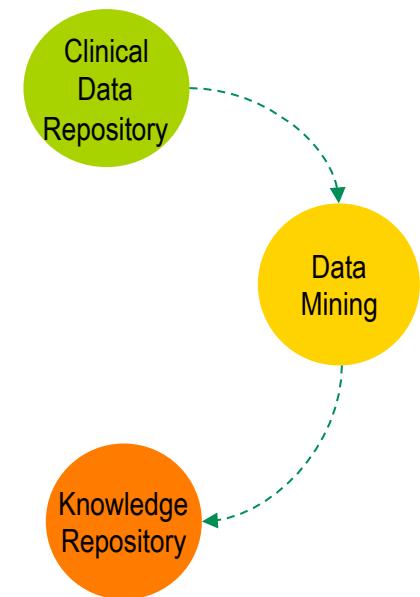
- debugIT learns by detecting patterns, relevant for patient safety and the better treatment of infectious diseases
  - Advanced data mining techniques are used on
    - multimodal & multi-source data
      - structured data mining
      - text mining
      - image mining
- to create new knowledge



# Store and Author Knowledge

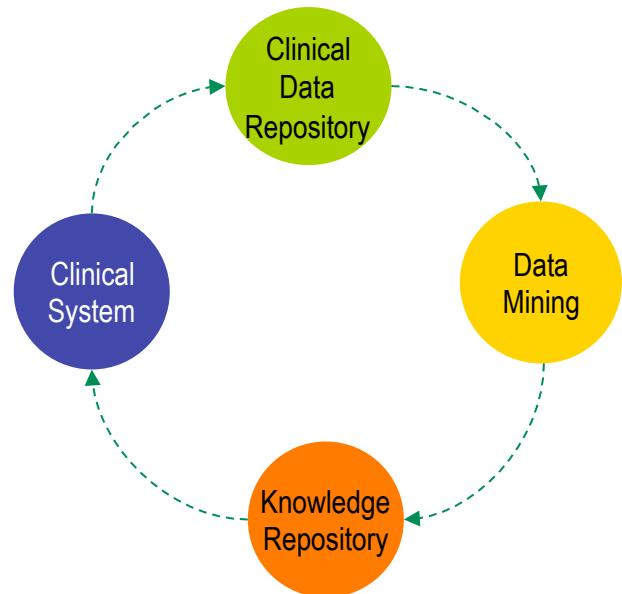


- This knowledge is
  - stored in a distributed repository
  - validated by clinicians
  - visualized and
  - aggregated together with pre-existing medical and biological knowledge (guidelines, regulations)
- to achieve a consolidated view on the required knowledge



# Apply

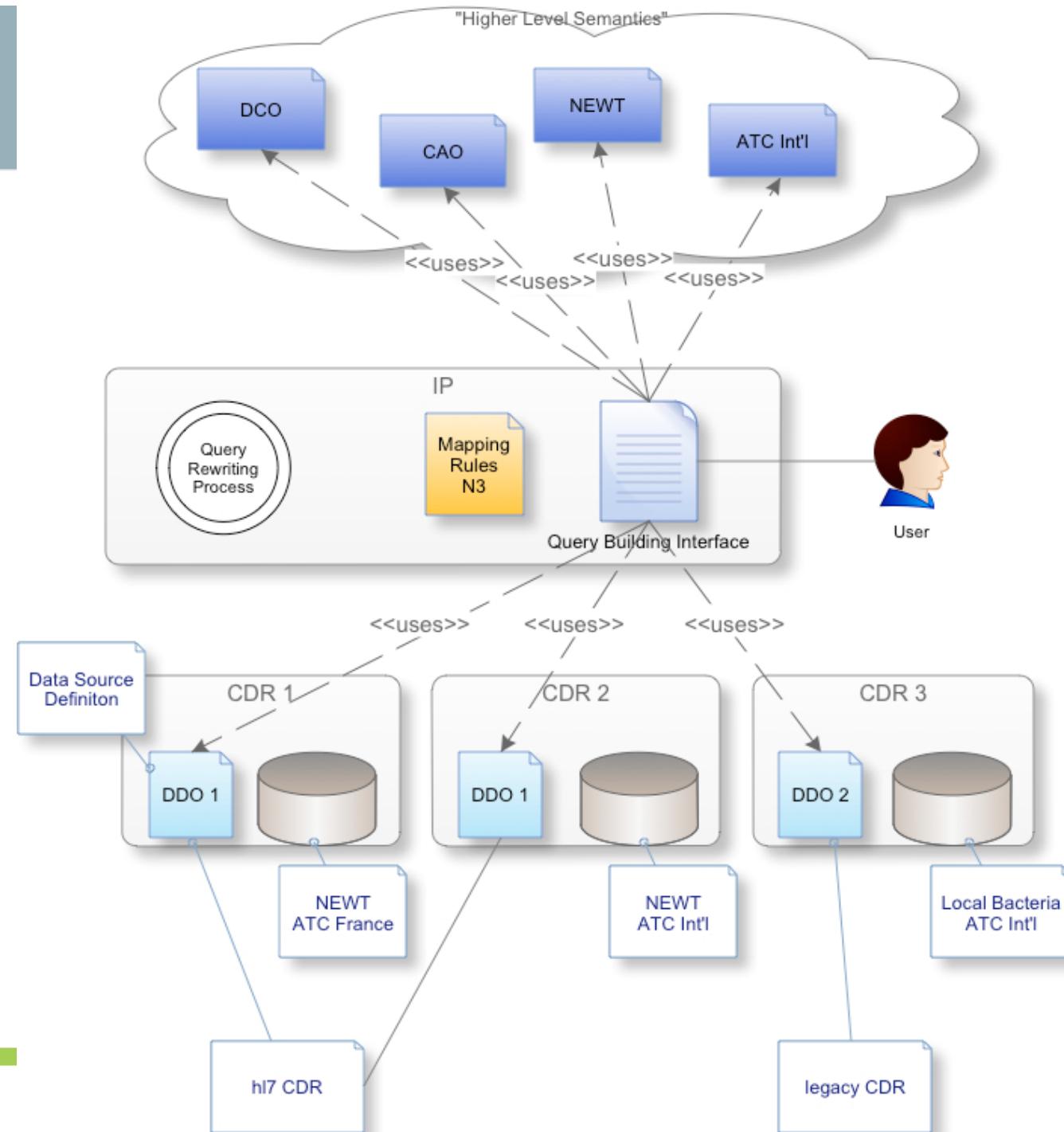
- Tools are available as web applications and can also be integrated in in-house applications.
  - Population driven monitoring tools analyze ongoing care activities and outcomes. It provides data to review and steer policies.
  - Patient centered decision support tools apply the newly generated knowledge and help the clinician to provide improved clinical care (choice, dose and administration of antibiotics for example).
- Integration in existing CIS enable the recording of activities and results and thus make sure the necessary data are generated for a next cycle of learning.



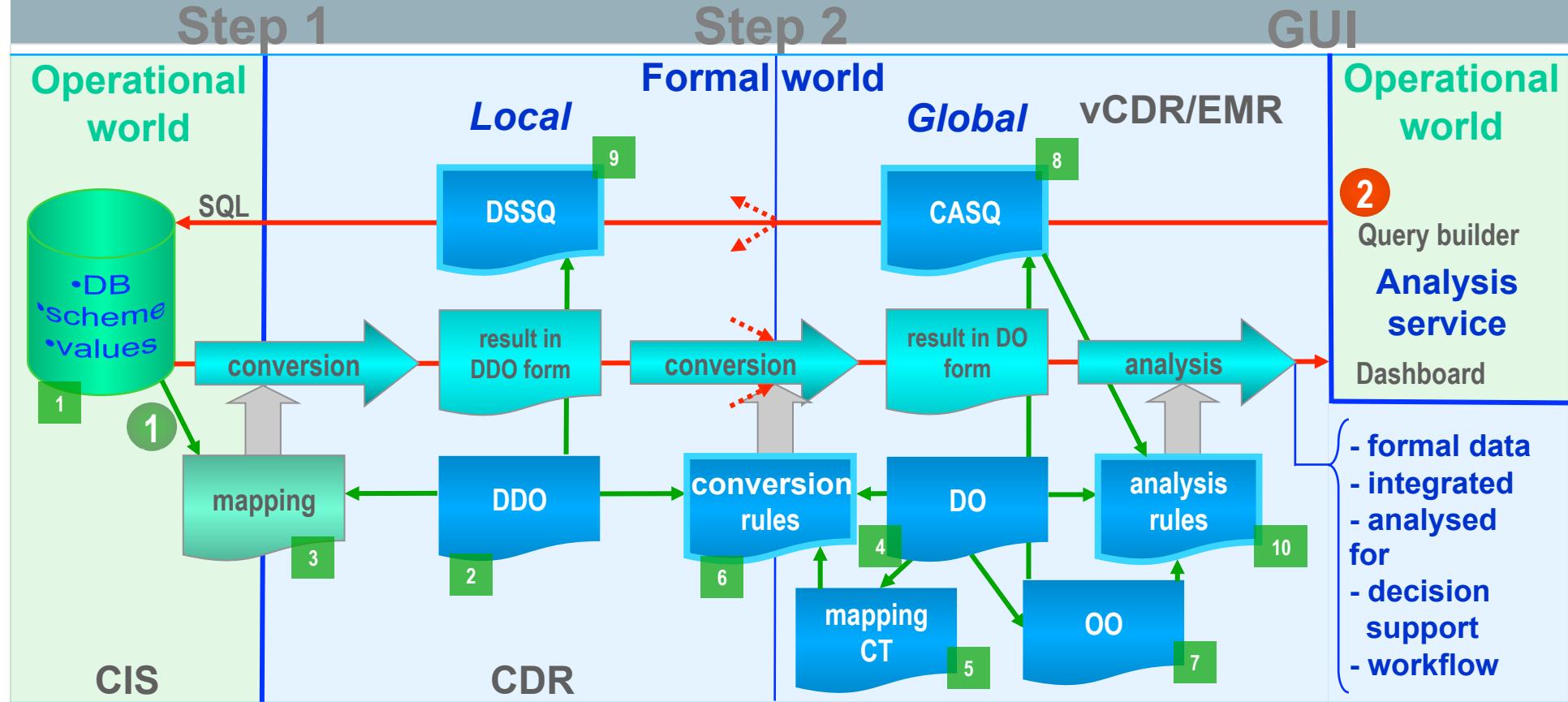
# **DEBUGIT : ONTOLOGY-MEDIATED DATA INTEGRATION FOR REAL-TIME ANTIBIOTICS RESISTANCE SURVEILLANCE**

## Constraints

- Heterogenous databases that can't be modified/adapted
- Not possible to impose any model nor vocab
- Mediation architecture must scale both horizontally (adding new endpoints) or vertically (adding new concepts)
- Make domain knowledge independant with database raw data
- Make knowledge independent from each other (IM – DO)
- Re-usable architecture...



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## Local to Global

- Domain ontology formalise entities, activities, procedures... Data ontology has only informational entities
- Open world logic of our system (scalability) has driven us to go for **local to global** « mapping » and so query rewriting since **global to local** is *semi-decidable* in a open world assumption
- >> MAPPING RULES ARE MONOTONIC (so is the system) !

# Step 1: CDR

DDO

## • Creation of Data Definition Ontologies for 6 DBs:

- Local formal semantics
- Express the database structure and values in RDF/S and OWL
- Table name represented by class (rdfs:Class)
- Column name represented by property (rdf:Property)
- Field value represented by individual or (datatyped) literal (e.g. code)
- Row (grey): graph

DB

Table  
name:

Column names:

Culture results	Drug	Identified bacteria	Antibiotic tested result
culture results 1	J01XA01 (vancomycin)	1280 (S. aureus)	sensitive

DDO	RDF/S OWL
CultureResults	Class
hasDrug	Property
hasIdentifiedBacteria	Property
hasAntibioticTestedResult	Property
cultureResults1	individual of Class
"J01XA01" ATC	Literal (typed)
"1280" UniProt	Literal (typed)
Sensitive	individual

# Step 1: CDR

```
@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#>.  
@prefix owl: <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#>.  
@prefix skos: <http://www.w3.org/2004/02/skos/core#>.  
@prefix ddo: <https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/ddo#>.  
@prefix clisko: <http://www.agfa.com/w3c/2009/clinicalsKOSSschemes#>.  
@prefix biosko: <http://eulersharp.sourceforge.net/2003/03swap/bioSKOSSschemes#>.
```

```
ddo:CultureResults rdfs:subClassOf [  
    a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty ddo:hasDrug;  
        owl:someValuesFrom ddo:Drug], [  
    a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty ddo:hasIdentified_Bacteria;  
        owl:someValuesFrom ddo:Bacteria], [  
    a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty ddo:hasAntibioticTestedResult;  
        owl:someValuesFrom ddo:AntibioticTestedResult].
```

```
ddo:Drug  
    rdfs:subClassOf [a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty skos:notation;  
        owl:someValuesFrom clisko:atc20090101DT].
```

```
ddo:Bacteria  
    rdfs:subClassOf [a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty skos:notation;  
        owl:someValuesFrom biosko:uniProtTaxonomyDT].
```

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# Query builder

DebugIT ToolKit      DASHBOARD      QUESTION AUTHORIZING      QUESTION ANSWERING      Logged in as larou | logout

Start page      Analysis properties      Analysis research question     

**Clinical Analysis Question:** What is the percentage of SAureus cases, cultured from Sample collected by a SampleCollection is resistant to Vancomycin in the period from 1 January 2007 to (not including) 1 January 2008 at <https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr>?

Properties | Research question | Presentation | Last results | Save

Analysis template [Formal meaning](#) [Custom Analysis Query](#)

What is the percentage of **SAureus** cases, cultured from **Sample** collected by a **SampleCollection** is resistant to **Vancomycin** in the period from **1 January 2007** to (not including) **1 January 2008** at <https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr> ?

Select the placeholders to change their values.

Placeholder values

Concept for some location
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Search

Search Ontology    Browse Ontology

Containing words   
 from ontology

1 Matches found

Action	Concepts
add	<a href="https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr">https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr</a>

Other actions

This analysis: [Select other template ...](#) [New analysis](#):  
[Create new analysis with same template](#)

Looking for percentage  
of **bacterium** cases (representing set of total)  
cultured from **sample**  
resulting from a **collection**  
during period  
    **starting date time** yyyy-mm-dd/hh:mm:ss,  
    **ending date time** yyyy-mm-dd/hh:mm:ss  
in **hospital**  
counting members;  
percentage that is subset of the former (same properties)  
and resistant to **antibiotic**  
counting members;  
having measurement with  
factor 'percent' (/100)  
value

Looking for percentage  
of **Staphylococcus aureus** cases (representing set of total)  
cultured from **all samples**  
resulting from a **collection**  
during period  
    starting date time **2007-01-01/00:00:00**,  
    ending date time **2008-01-01/00:00:00**  
    in **INSERM OR HUG** hospital  
    counting members;  
percentage that is subset of the former (same properties)  
    and resistant to **vancomycin**  
    counting members;  
having measurement with  
    factor 'percent' (/100)  
    value

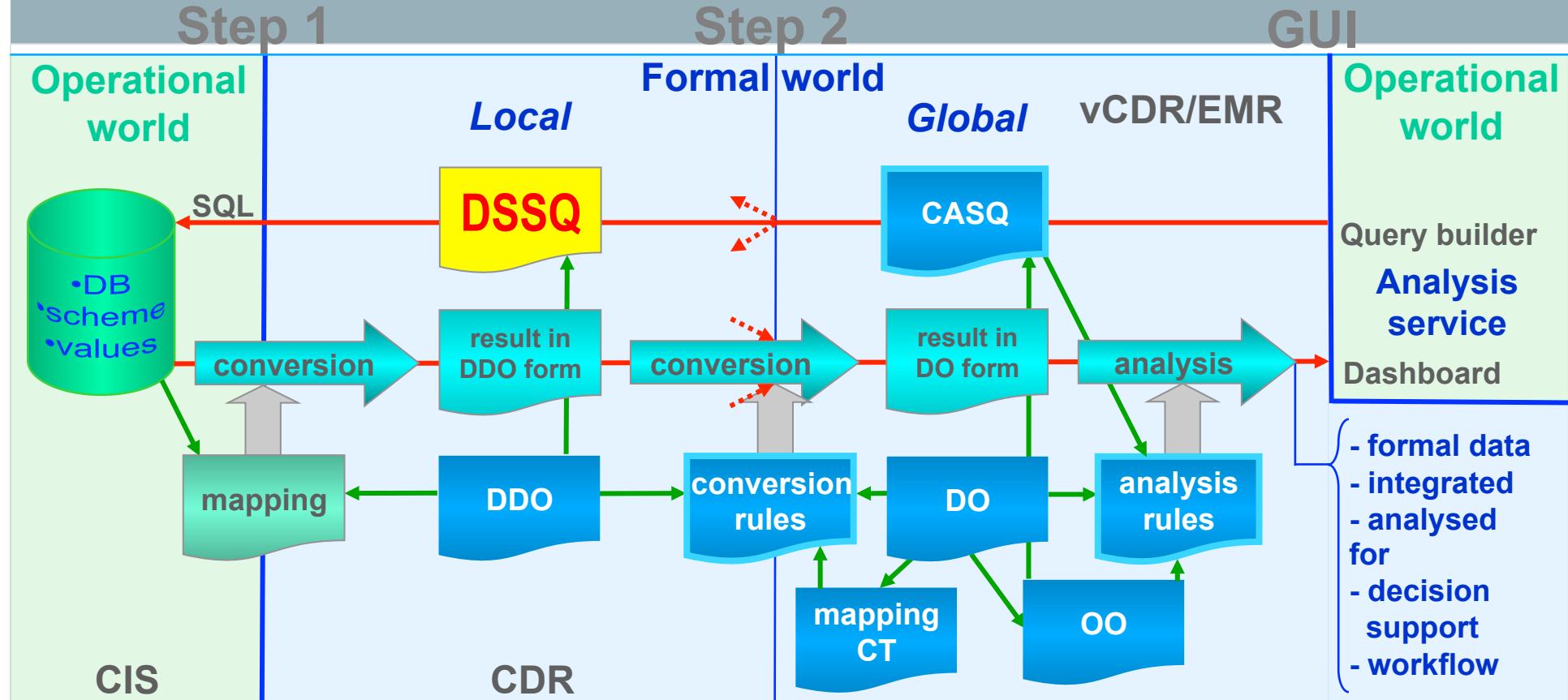
# CASQ instance

CASQ

```
WHERE {
  _:percentage
  quant:percentageOf _:total; # set
  quant:percentageThat _:part;
  quant:hasMeasurement [quant:hasValue ?percentageValue; quant:hasFactor
    quant:percent].
  _:total
  quant:counts ?total; # number
  rdfs:subClassOf cao:SAureus, [
    a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty cao:culturedFrom; owl:someValuesFrom [
      rdfs:subClassOf dco:Sample, [
        a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty biotop:outcomeOf; owl:someValuesFrom [
          rdfs:subClassOf dco:SampleCollection, [
            a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty event:during; owl:someValuesFrom [
              dco:hasStartTime "2007-01-01T00:00:00"^^xsd:dataTime;
              dco:hasEndDateTime "2008-01-01T00:00:00"^^xsd:dataTime]], [
              a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty biotop:hasLocus; owl:someValuesFrom
              <https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr>]]]]].
  _:part
  quant:counts ?part;
  rdfs:subClassOf _:total, [
    a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty cao:resistantTo; owl:someValuesFrom
    dco:Vancomycin]} }
```



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- **Created at development time:**
  - CONSTRUCT query
  - Expressed in DB specific DDO terms
  - Part of CASQ semantics retrievable from DB
  - Difference between DDOs
- **Automatically invoked from CASQ at runtime:**
  - Retrieving data set from 1 DB as RDF
  - Binding universally quantified variables in WHERE and CONSTRUCT clause

Looking for result:  
of a **culture**  
with identified **bacterium**  
tested **antibiotic**  
**susceptibility state**

Culture:

having **sample type code x** (e.g. wound; SNOMED CT: 258531008)  
having **result date time y** (yyyy-mm-dd/hh:mm:ss)

Bacterium having **code z**

Antibiotic having **code q**

**Filtering on:**

- **x: SNOMED CT codes (list of available)**
- **y:  $\geq 2007-01-01$ ,  $< 2008-01-01$**
- **z: UniProt 1280 (*S. aureus*)**
- **q: ATC J01XA01 (vancomycin)**

```
...
FILTER (?uniProtCode = "1280"^^biosko:uniProtTaxonomyDT)
# Staphylococcus aureus

FILTER (?atcCode = "J01XA01"^^clisko:atc20090101DT)
# vancomycin

FILTER (?sampleTypeCode = "119295008"^^clisko:sct20080731DT)
# Specimen obtained by aspiration
|| ...
|| ?sampleTypeCode = "258531008"^^clisko:sct20080731DT) # wound swab

FILTER ("2007-01-01T00:00:00"^^xsd:dateTime <= ?resultDate
&& ?resultDate < "2008-01-01T00:00:00"^^xsd:dateTime) }

CONSTRUCT { . . . } # same as WHERE, without filters
```

Looking for an **antibiogram**:  
of a culture  
with identified bacterium  
tested antibiotic  
outcome (susceptibility state)

Culture:

having sample type code x

having result date time y (yyyy-mm-dd/hh:mm:ss)

Bacterium having code z

Antibiotic having code q

Filtering on:

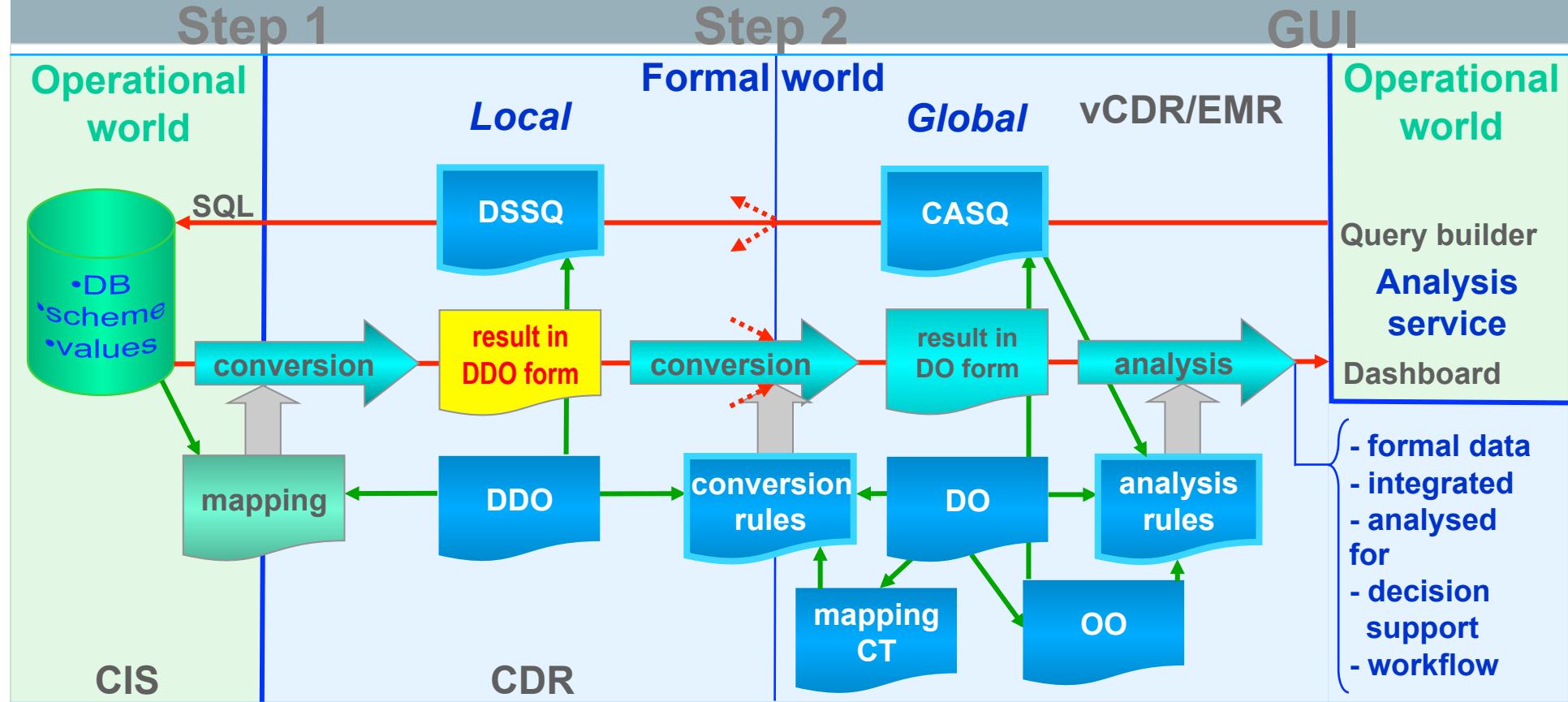
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- y:  $\geq$  2007-01-01, < 2008-01-01

- z: UniProt 1280 (S. aureus)

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# DSSQ result in DDO form: INSERM

1 example of result set:

**Result** <[https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture\\_result/1970194](https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture_result/1970194)>  
**of a culture** <[https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture\\_normalized/56313](https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture_normalized/56313)>  
**with identified bacterium** <<https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/bacteria/129>>  
**tested antibiotic** <<https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/drug/2491>>  
**susceptibility state** <<http://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/ddo#Sensitive>>  
**Culture** <[https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture\\_normalized/56313](https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture_normalized/56313)>  
having sample type code "**119311002**" (SNOMED CT typed)  
having result date time "**2007-01-14T23:00:00**" (XSD typed)  
Bacterium having code "**1280**" (UniProt typed)  
Antibiotic having code "**J01XA01**" (ATC typed)

# DSSQ result in DDO form: HUG

1 example of result set:

Antibiogram <<https://babar.unige.ch:8443/cdr/resource/Antibiogram/771531>>

of a culture <<https://babar.unige.ch:8443/cdr/resource/Culture/729161>>

with identified bacterium <<https://babar.unige.ch:8443/cdr/resource/Bacterium/260>>

tested antibiotic <<https://babar.unige.ch:8443/cdr/resource/Drug/182>>

- outcome "131196009" (SNOMED CT typed)

Culture <[https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture\\_normalized/56313](https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture_normalized/56313)>

having sample type code "119311002" (SNOMED CT typed)

having result date time "2007-01-14T23:00:00" (XSD typed)

Bacterium having code "1280" (UniProt typed)

Antibiotic having code "J01XA01" (ATC typed)

# Reasoner

- **EYE: Euler Yap Engine**
  - Backward-chaining reasoner enhanced with Euler path detection
  - Adhering coherent logic (close to first order logic)
  - Inference engine supporting logic based proofs
  - Implementation in Java/Prolog (logic programming language)
  - Open source: <http://eulersharp.sourceforge.net/>
  - **60 million lips** (logical inferences / second) on an Intel Core Duo 2.2 GHz

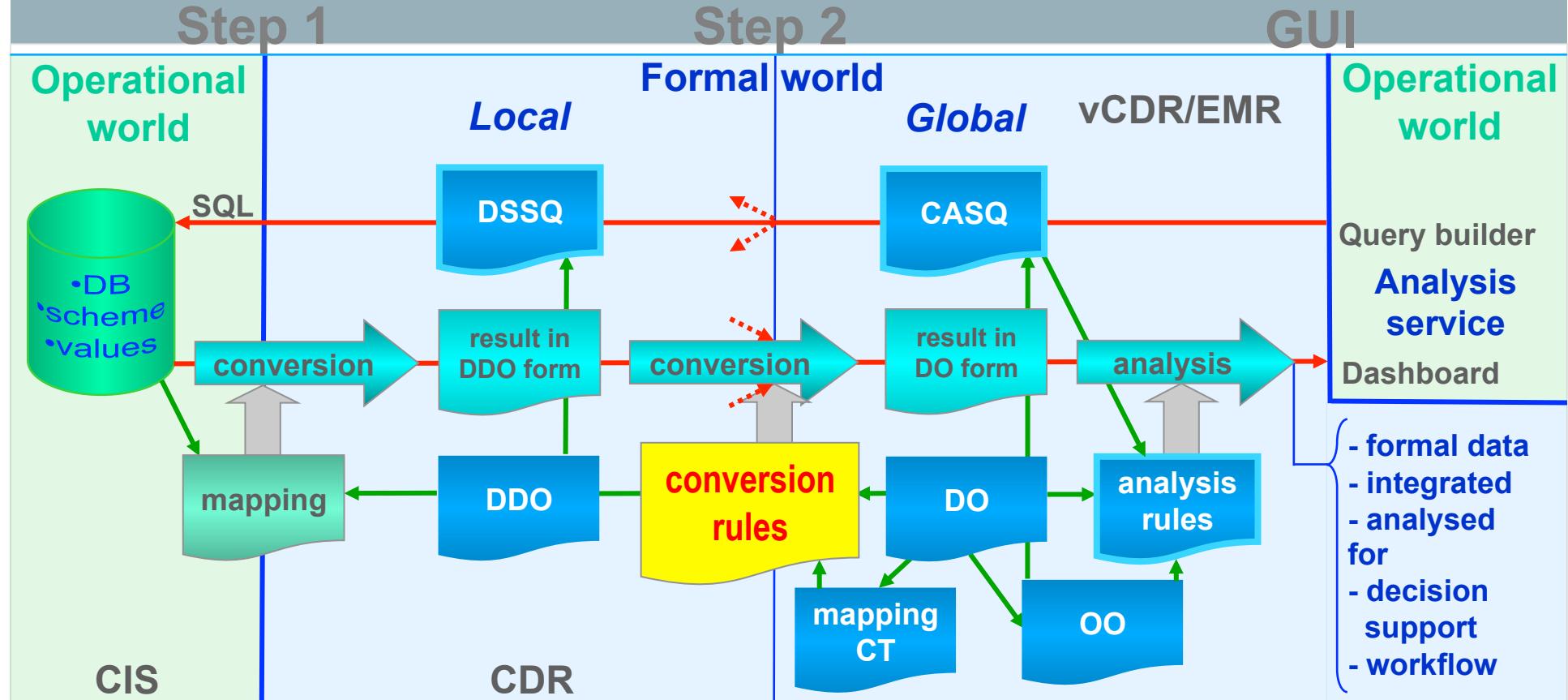
# Reasoner: deep taxonomy benchmark

- <http://ruleml.org/WellnessRules/files/WellnessRulesN3-2009-11-10.pdf>

Depth	colog	cwm	eye	eulerj	jDREW	jena	pellet
10	0.007	0.071	<b>0.000</b>	0.006	0.004	0.121	0.075
100	0.511	1.449	<b>0.004</b>	0.179	0.172	0.783	0.442
1000	<b>500.600</b>	<b>115.820</b>	<b>0.040</b>	<b>3.907</b>	<b>98.467</b>	<b>29.330</b>	<b>38.836</b>
10000	498137.000	16016.625	<b>0.436</b>	155.710	91614.000	(outOfMem)	(outOfMem)
100000	<i>16 year</i>		<b>4 sec</b>		<i>4 year</i>		

Unit: seconds if not indicated otherwise

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conversion  
rules

- **Bridging the semantic gap:**
  - Local → global semantics: DDO → DO
  - Set for every DDO created at development time
- **Executed at runtime using a reasoner (EYE) within the query rewriting mechanism -> permits in some extent query entailment at runtime and result inference**

# Conversion rules

conversion  
rules

E.g. 1

**DDO expression converted to DO**

not having identical but related semantics and mappable,  
resp. DDO: culture results and

DO: susceptibility test result = antibiogram,  
with susceptibility state as 1 of the 3 result items,  
besides bacterium and antibiotic

E.g. 2

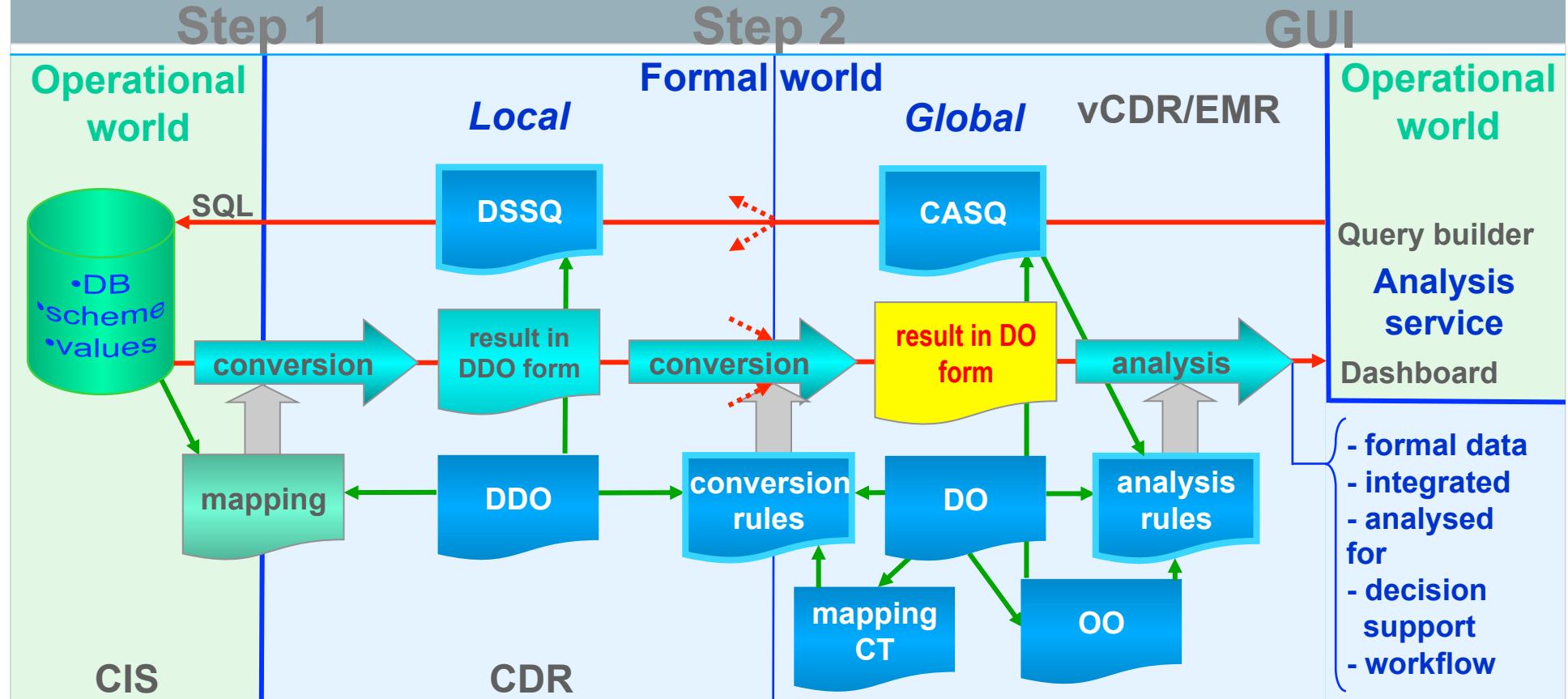
**Needed elements for desired expressions absent in DDO:**

e.g. evaluation of antibiogram,

combining 3 result items + time indicator

→ deducting semantics from other conversions

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# Result in DO form

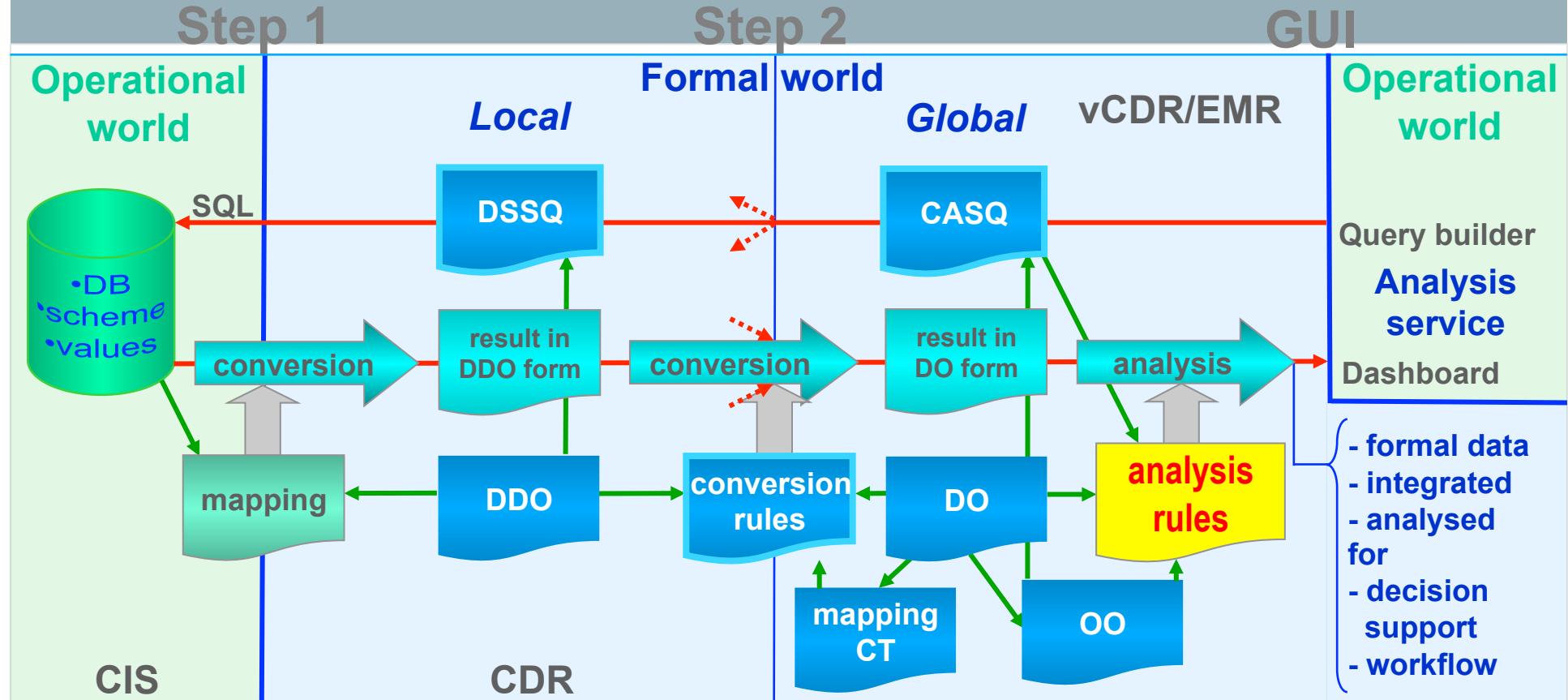
result in  
DDO form

1 example of result set:

A bacterial antibiogram *analysis (evaluation)*  
having participant <[https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture\\_result/1970194](https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture_result/1970194)>  
having an outcome  
encoding a microbiological susceptibility  
having quality located <<http://purl.org/imbi/dco/dco#Sensitive>>

<[https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture\\_result/1970194](https://debugit.spim.jussieu.fr/resource/culture_result/1970194)> (*antibiogram*)  
spatially related to a taxon quality  
having quality located <...dco#SpeciesStaphylococcusAureusValueRegion>  
encoding <...dco#Vancomycin>

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# Analysis rules

analysis  
rules

- Integrated data from different DBs
- Processing globally formalized data
- E.g. calculating percentage

*"What is the percentage of S. Aureus cases - cultured from all samples collected in 2007 at INSERM and HUG hospital - that is resistant to vancomycin?"*

# Analysis rules

analysis  
rules

```
@prefix rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#>.  
@prefix owl: <http://www.w3.org/2002/07/owl#>.  
@prefix xsd: <http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema#>.  
@prefix math: <http://www.w3.org/2000/10/swap/math#>.  
@prefix e: <http://eulersharp.sourceforge.net/2003/03swap/log-rules#>.  
@prefix event: <http://eulersharp.sourceforge.net/2003/03swap/event#>.  
@prefix quant: <http://eulersharp.sourceforge.net/2003/03swap/quantities#>.  
@prefix biotop: <http://purl.org/biotop/biotop.owl#>.  
@prefix dco: <http://purl.org/imbi/dco/dco#>.  
@prefix cao: <http://www.agfa.com/w3c/2009/clinicalAnalysisOntology#>.
```

# Analysis rules: antecedent

analysis  
rules

{ Search for all susceptibility states (R, S, I)  
of all cases of S.aureus  
for vancomycin,  
and put them in a list.

Search for all states 'resistant'  
of all cases of S.aureus  
for vancomycin,  
and put them in a list.

Calculate from lists percentage of S.aureus cases  
that have 'resistant' state  
for vancomycin,  
rounded to 1 decimal}

# Analysis rules: conclusion

analysis  
rules

```
=> # same form as CASQ CONSTRUCT
{ _:percentage
  quant:percentageOf _:total;
  quant:percentageThat _:part;
  quant:hasMeasurement [quant:hasValue ?percentageValue; quant:hasFactor
    quant:percent].
  _:total
  quant:counts ?total;
  rdfs:subClassOf cao:SAureus, [
    a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty cao:culturedFrom; owl:someValuesFrom [
      rdfs:subClassOf dco:Sample, [
        a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty biotop:outcomeOf; owl:someValuesFrom [
          rdfs:subClassOf dco:SampleCollection, [
            a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty event:during; owl:someValuesFrom [
              dco:hasStartTime "2007-01-01T00:00:00"^^xsd:dataTime;
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  _:part
  quant:counts ?part;
  rdfs:subClassOf _:total, [
    a owl:Restriction; owl:onProperty cao:resistantTo; owl:someValuesFrom
    dco:Vancomycin]}.
```

# Analysis rules: result

analysis  
rules

Percentage  
of *Staphylococcus aureus* cases  
cultured from all samples  
resulting from a collection  
during period  
    starting 2007-01-01/00:00:00,  
    ending 2008-01-01/00:00:00  
in Inserm hospital  
counting **39** members;  
percentage that is resistant to vancomycin  
counting **0** members;  
having measurement with  
value **0.0**  
factor 'percent'

# Resistance Comparison & Monitoring

The screenshot displays a Mozilla Firefox browser window with the title "DebugIT - Mozilla Firefox". The address bar shows the URL <http://wopeg.he.agfa.be:2020/dashboard/dashboard.html>. The browser's toolbar includes "Bestand", "Bewerken", "Beeld", "Geschiedenis", "Bladwijzers", "Extra", and "Help". Below the browser is the "DebugIT Toolkit" interface.

The DebugIT Toolkit interface has a top navigation bar with tabs: "DASHBOARD" (selected), "MED ANALYSIS", "CLIN ANALYSIS", and "MODEL DEVELOPMENT". It also includes a "Logged in as Demo | logout" link, a "4 Columns" dropdown, and an "Add gadget" button.

The dashboard contains several data visualization components:

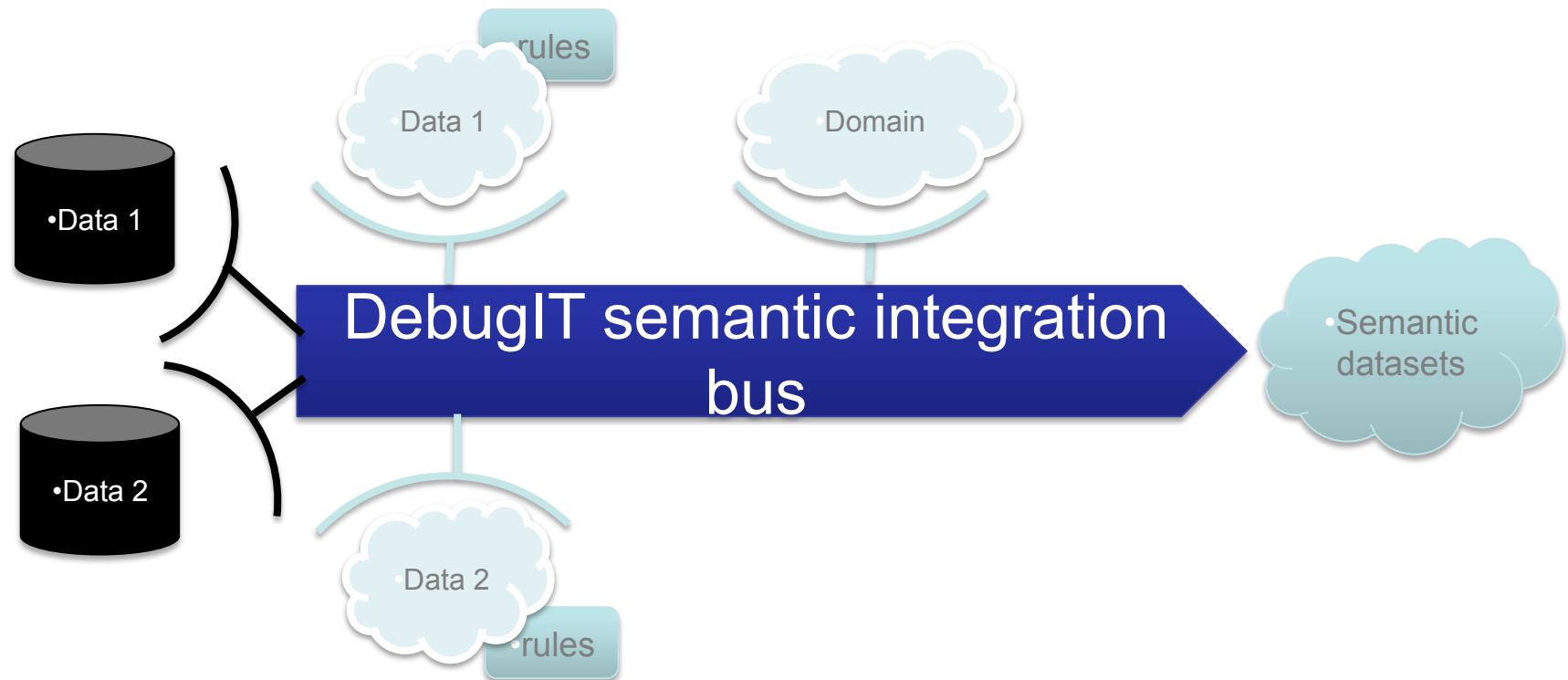
- EColi vs Fluoroquinolone**: Three circular gauge charts for LIU, HUG, and AVERBIS. The LIU chart shows 33.33, the HUG chart shows 16.56, and the AVERBIS chart shows "No data available".
- Ecoli vs Trimethoprim, Sulfam...**: A map of Europe with red and green highlighted regions, likely representing different geographical areas or data sources.
- Ecoli vs Fluoroquinolone**: A map of Europe with red and green highlighted regions.
- Ecoli vs Trimethoprim, Sulfam... year 2007**: A line graph showing the percentage of resistance over time from January to December 2007 for INSERM (blue) and AGGREGATE (orange).
- Ecoli vs Fluoroquinolone ALL year 2007**: A bar chart showing the percentage of resistance for various sources (HUG, INSERM, LIU, AGGREGATE, AVERBIS) across the months of 2007.
- Ecoli vs Trimethoprim, Sulfam... year 2007**: A line graph showing the percentage of resistance over time from January to December 2007 for HUG (blue) and AGGREGATE (orange).
- Favorite**: A section stating "No favourites found. Add new link...".
- Ecoli vs Fluoroquinolone**: A line graph showing the percentage of resistance over time from January to December 2007 for INSERM (blue) and AGGREGATE (orange).

## What did we do?

- We tried to follow a **pragmatic** approach by leaving things where they belong (data / concepts) but **formalizing** them so the **machine** can use them to **exchange data** and knowledge and optionally, to infer new knowledge
- The formal semantics does not resolve everything (= the machine does not interpret implicit knowledge yet) but it is a step towards it
- We did not follow the strict standardization route although we use standards to limit the wideness of the problem

# • + Independent platform

Declarative world



# Scalability and interoperability

- The more liberty you give to express things, the less your system is performing and scalable
- We have set a framework where scalability is happening at both vertical (questions, data, vocabularies) and horizontal (data sources) levels

