

Development and Verification of Robust Comprehensive Code Lists to Ensure Consistency Across Global Real-World Evidence Studies

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Objective:

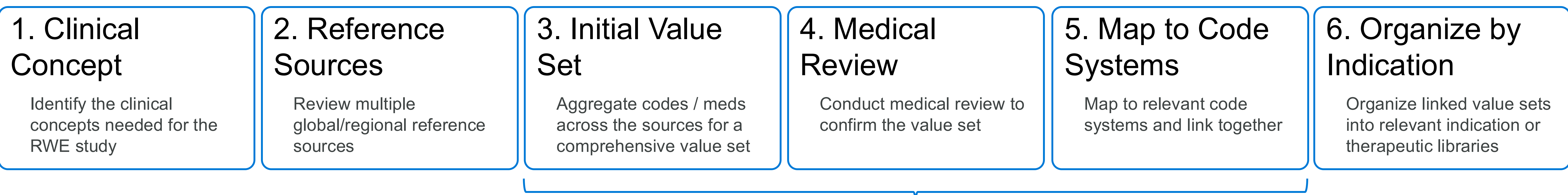
Demonstrate a framework using multiple sources and clinical input to enable effective global RWE programs, with both comprehensive and consistent value sets

Conclusion:

This demonstrates creation of comprehensive value sets
→ ensure consistency for global RWE studies
→ appropriate comparison of scientific evidence across studies

Why is this important?

- Code lists (value sets) provide a basis for computable operational definitions (CODEfs) used in cohort selection, case ascertainment, cohort characterization, and outcomes assessment for real-world evidence (RWE) research.
- Significant inconsistencies arise because:
 - different coding systems are used across geographic regions
 - no single reference source exists that contains a comprehensive list of codes/medications for a given clinical concept

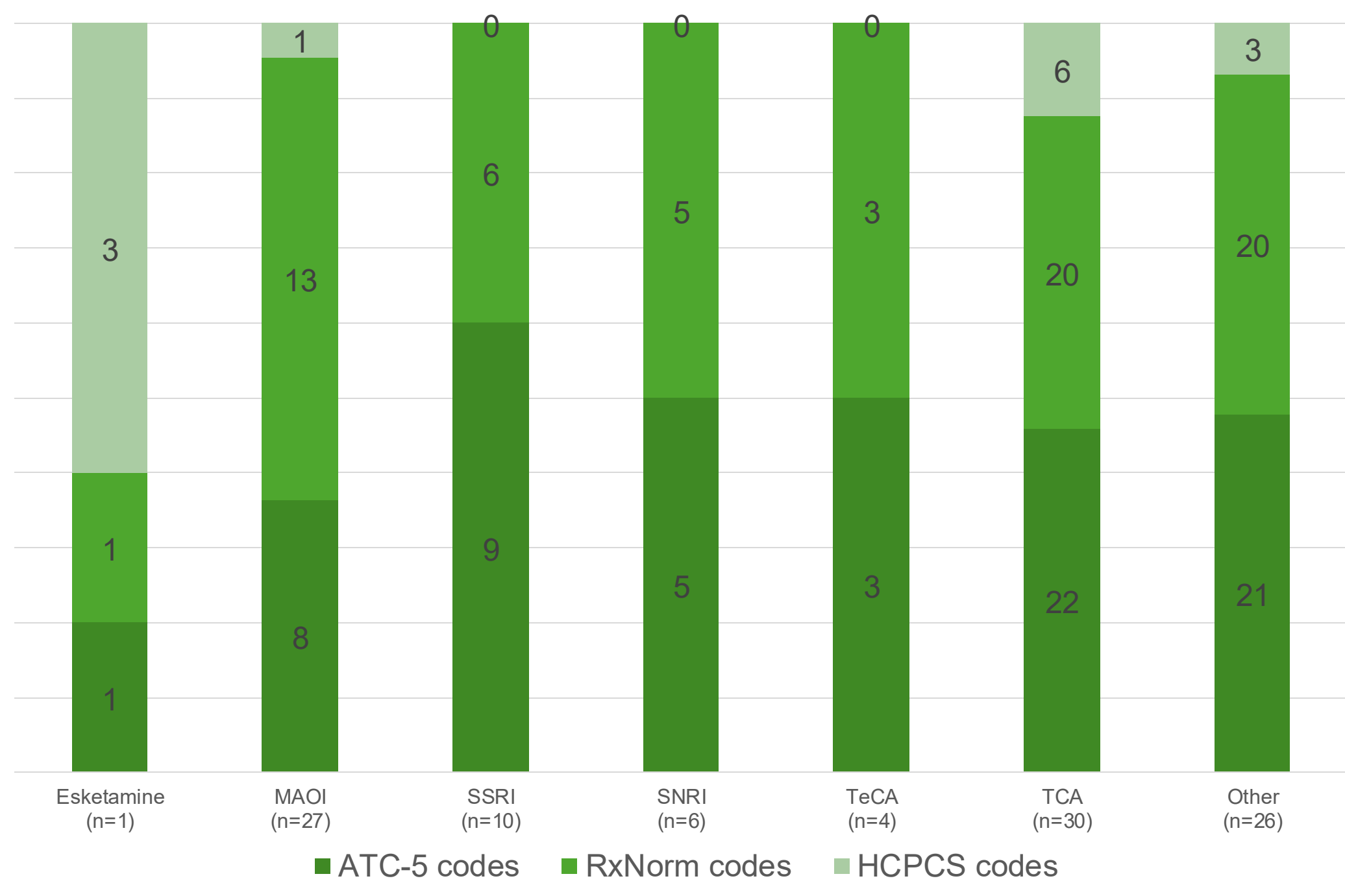


Antidepressant Therapies

43 References Sources

- Health institutes: WHO, APA
- Medical terminologies: WHO ATC, RxNorm, CPT HCPCS
- Published literature and value sets (e.g., NIH NLM VSAC)
- Reputable sites: Drugs.com, Wikipedia, OHDSI

7 Drug Classes: 104 Distinct Meds



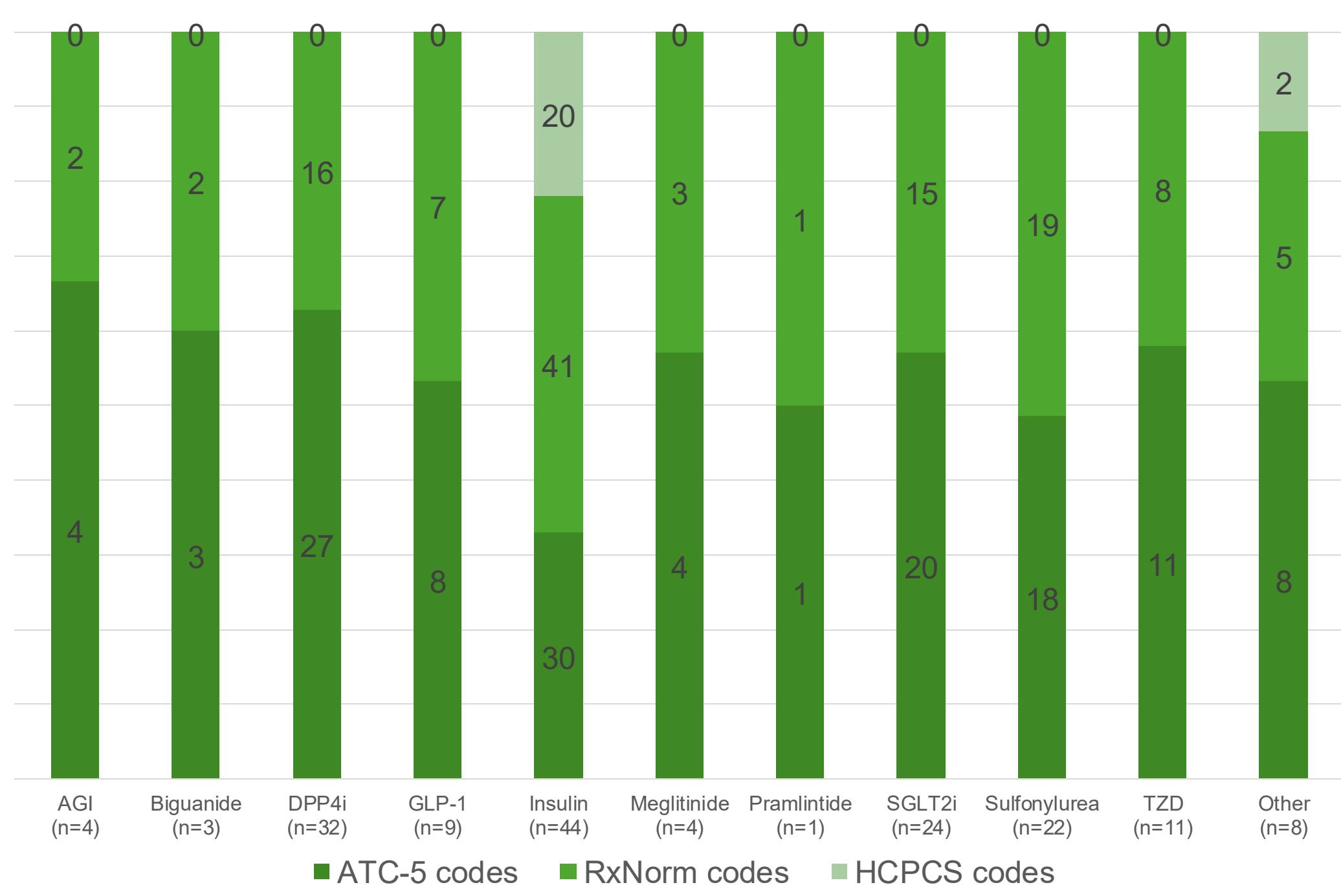
26 distinct new value sets
In the Depression Library

Antidiabetic Therapies

38 References Sources

- Health institutes: WHO, NHS, NIDDK, ADA, Diabetes UK
- Medical terminologies: WHO ATC, RxNorm, CPT HCPCS
- Published literature and value sets (e.g., NIH NLM VSAC)
- Reputable sites: Drugs.com, Wikipedia, OHDSI, CC, MC

11 Drug Classes: 162 Distinct Meds



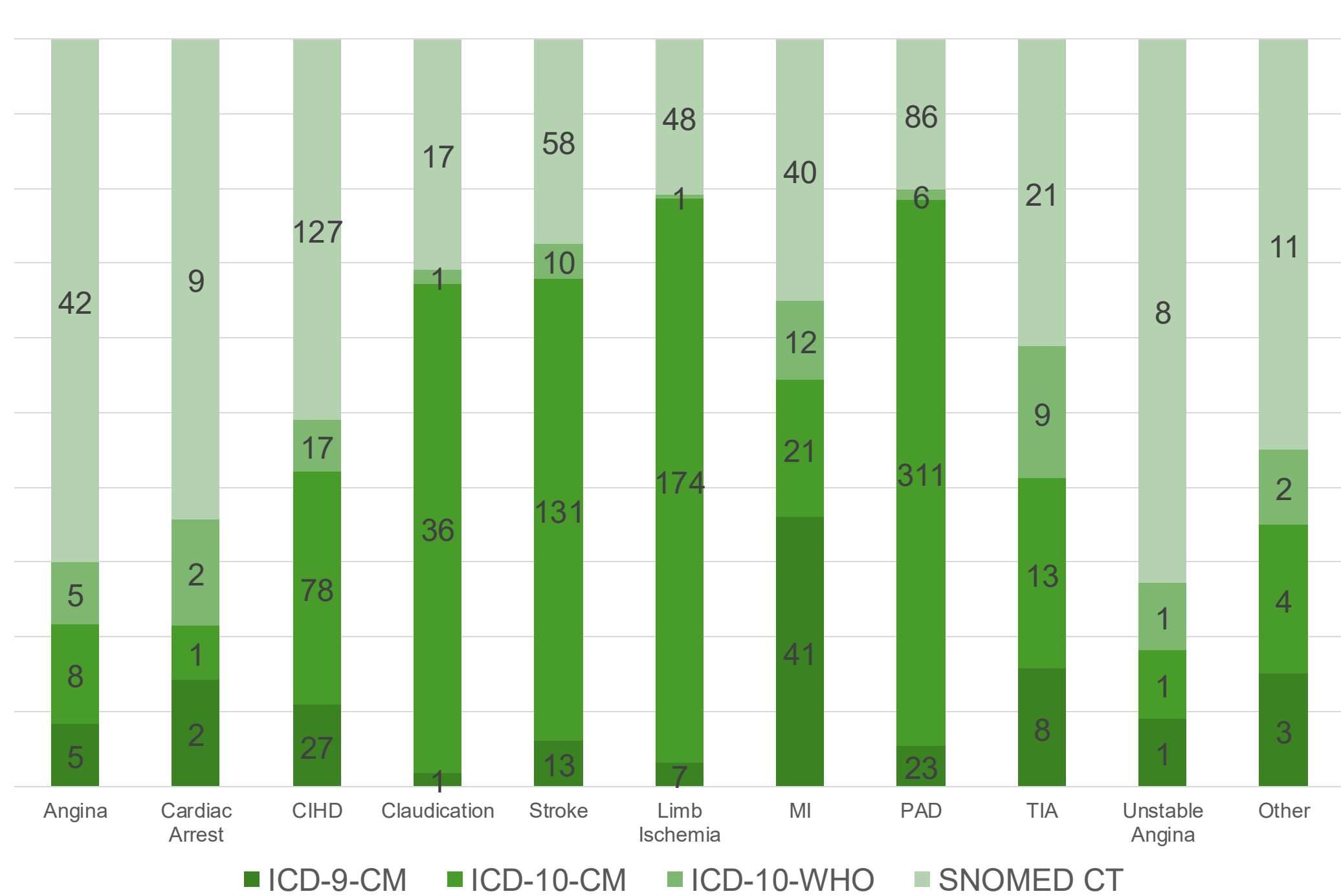
35 distinct new value sets
In the Diabetes Mellitus Library

Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease (ASCVD) Diagnoses

13 References Sources

- Health institutes: NHS NICE, AHA, NHLBI, NRC, ICER
- Medical terminologies: ICD-9-CM, ICD-10-CM, ICD-10-WHO, SNOMED CT
- Published literature and value sets (e.g., NIH NLM VSAC)

11 Distinct Medical Conditions



56 distinct new value sets
In the Cardiovascular Library

* WHO: World Health Organization, APA: American Psychiatric Association, NIH: National Institutes of Health, NLM: National Library of Medicine, VSAC: Value Set Authority Center, OHDSI: Observational Health Data Sciences and Informatics, ADA: American Diabetes Association, CC: Cleveland Clinic, MC: Mayo Clinic, NHS: National Health System, NICE: National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (UK), NIDDK: NIH National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, AHA: American Heart Association, NHLBI: National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, NRC: National Research Council (US), ICER: Institute for Clinical and Economic Review