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# Bridging Knowledge Representation and Reasoning Modeling in Biomedical Research



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## Abstract:

*In this seminar, we will explore the significance of ontologies in biomedical research and their integration with reasoning models. The presentation will begin with an introduction to ontologies, which are structured frameworks for the formal representation of knowledge in a specific domain. Ontologies define concepts, properties, and relationships, promoting standardization and supporting information system design and knowledge discovery through ontology-based reasoning mechanisms. We will demonstrate the development and application of ontologies, showcasing examples from the biomedical field. The second part of the seminar will focus on the integration of ontologies into reasoning process models, with a particular emphasis on Petri nets and flow graphs. These models, known for their ability to describe real-life processes, will be enhanced by the incorporation of ontological structures. This integration combines the strengths of graphical and formal tools for modeling dynamic processes with the specificity of ontologies, which define domain-specific vocabularies. This approach aligns with current trends in artificial intelligence, including symbolic AI, explainable AI, and computing with words, offering a comprehensive framework for reasoning and decision-making in biomedical contexts.*

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