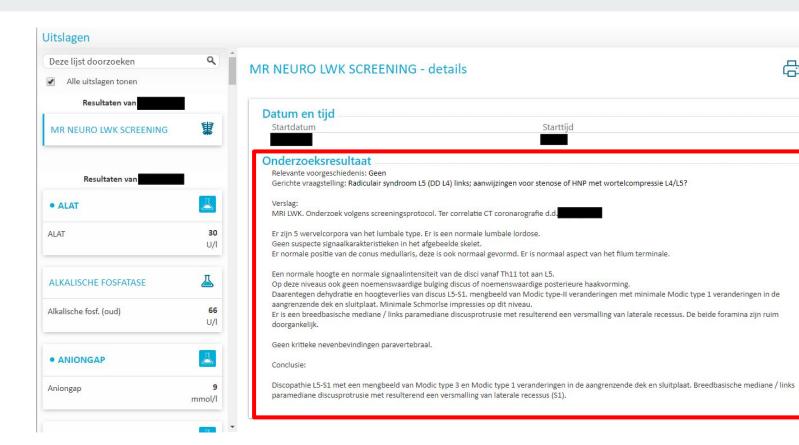
# Entity linking for patient-friendly radiology reports

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- Link terminology ("mentions", "concepts") to e.g. Wikipedia entities
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#### Myocarditis

Myocarditis, also known as inflammatory cardiomyopathy, is inflammation of the heart muscle. Symptoms can include shortness of breath, chest pain,

decreased ability to exercise, and an irregular heartbeat. The duration of problems can vary from hours to months. **Wikipedia** 

Specialty: Infectious disease, cardiology

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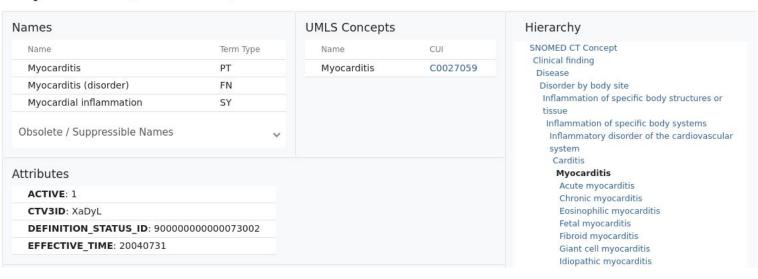
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Ontsteking van het spierweefsel van het hart, meestal als gevolg van een virusinfectie

Inflammation of the muscle tissue of the heart, usually caused by a viral infection

#### Myocarditis (50920009)



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#### Example

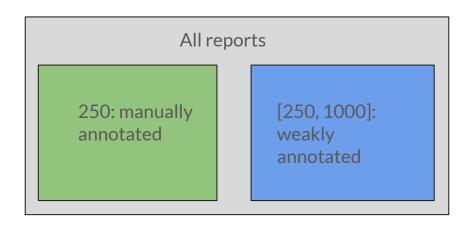
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## **Entity linking**

- Naive (feature-based) lookup (NL) of SNOMED-CT terms in reports does not give us everything we want
- How much manual work necessary?
  - Start with NL, incrementally add manual corrections to dictionary
- Propagation of manual corrections to unseen reports?
  - More (higher quality) training data for e.g. neural tagger (Flair)

#### **Data**

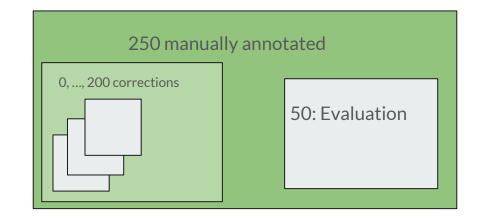
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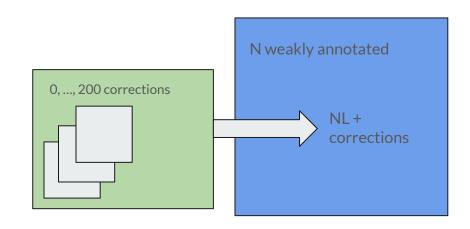
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Total entities	11457
Avg entities per report	45.83
Stdev	26.89



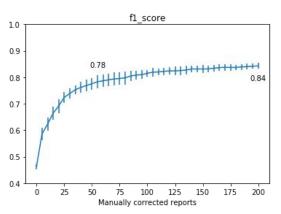
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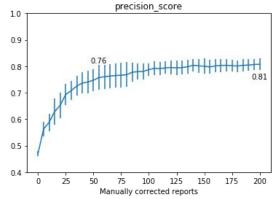
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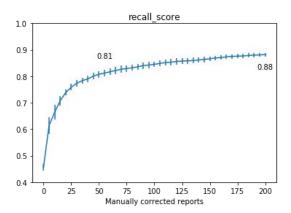


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- NL evaluation

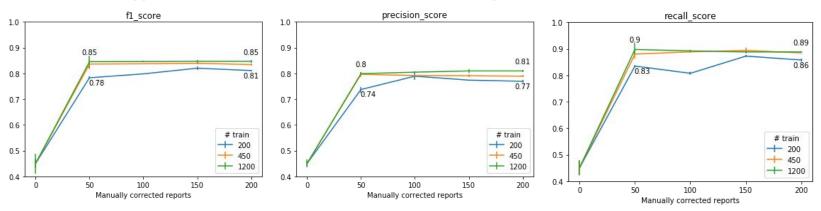






#### Propagate manual corrections?

- Neural tagger evaluation (Flair with contextual embeddings)



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