



# Introducing White Swan

- Registered charity with a mission to improve the health of society
- ✓ Proprietary tools and AI
- √ Published methodology
- ✓ Dedicated team of experts
- ✓ Providing pioneering insights for our partners





















## Patient-centric data-driven insight across the journey



Horizon scanning & identifying unmet needs



Accelerate diagnosis



Clinical trial design & development



Increase treatment adoption & adherence



Improve patient engagement & comms



Inform policy and improve care

Diagnosis



Treatment



Living with Condition

Healthcare Orgs

Researchers

Clinicians & Patients

## Leveraging our Million Minds Insights Platform



**Global Reach** Accesses an unlimited anonymised dataset, segmented by language, country



Accesses hard-to-reach groups
Such as rare disease patients, at scale



Increased depth & unbiased design

Patients share much more anonymously, are listened to vs asked



**Multiple Segmentations** Such as condition, co-morbidities, symptoms, treatments, lifestyle and risk factors, outcomes



**Agile and Fast** 

Ability to deep dive into key areas and flex questions/focus.



Integrated clinically validated datasets (Human Phenotype Ontology, Disease Ontology, International classification of diseases, ORPHA.NET)



**Proprietary tools and taxonomy** Built on White Swan knowledge graph IP, leverages Black Swan algorithms & tech



## We access >565k data sources

#### **Patient's Lived Experience**



430M+ active monthly users



500K+ other online forums



200+ sites



Billions monthly active users\*



600M+ monthly active users\*



Advocacy, News, & Education

20M+ articles



45K+ sites





HealthUnlocked

































## **Pillars of Million Minds**

### **Clinical Specialism Datasets**

Curated, Cleansed, De-Duped



#### **Entire Clinical Specialisms**

Ontology, Cardiology, Rheumatology & Muscular Skeletall, Dermatology....



#### **Specific Clinical Areas**

Dementia, Menopause, Parkinson's, Mental Health ....



#### In Development

Gastroenterology, Immunology, Haematology....

Data Models / NLP

**Enriching, Clustering** 



Taxonomies
Topic Clustering



Named entity recognition Entity Linking Relationship extraction



Context Relevance Author Authenticity

### **Knowledge Graph**

Connecting, Querying



**Nodes:** entities of interest E.g. Symptom, Condition, Side Effect....

**Properties:** Each node has its own set of properties. E.g Label (such as shortness of breath, cross ref's (e.g. SNOWMED code)

**Relationships** (between nodes): E.g. "Risk factor for", "Side effect of", "Mentioned with"....



# Case Studies

Health Care



## **Accelerating Diagnosis in Cardiology**





### **Objective**

Understand key features of Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy to accelerate diagnosis and improve effectiveness of disease management



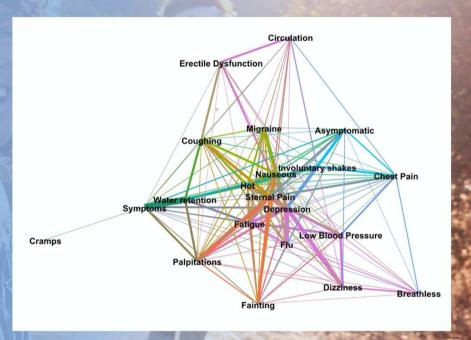
## **Data Analysis**

>18k conversations



#### **Outcome**

An innovative quantitative symptom map to support clinical diagnosis. Identified new target group uniquely placed to spot early symptoms to education to accelerate diagnosis.



# **Improving Cancer Care**



NHS Foundation Trust



### **Objective**

Understand opportunities to improve patient experience in Royal Marsden Hospital



### **Data Analysis**

>26k conversations (short and long form)



#### **Outcome**

Clear findings and recommendations to inform the Royal Marsden patient care strategy presented, including areas not previously identified through traditional patient surveys. "We want to be at the forefront of patient care, so I was genuinely excited when I read the report – this has the potential to have a significant positive impact on patient experience at the Royal Marsden"

**Chief Nurse, Royal Marsden** 

# **Improving Clinical Trial Design**





### **Objective**

Understand and gain actionable insights from patients on their experience with the condition from diagnosis to enhance clinical trial design.



### **Data Analysis**

>50k datapoints from 50m global documents



#### **Outcome**

Robust and actionable insights getting to the 'why' behind barriers to current adherence and adoption, to support NICE approval of new treatment innovation.

We were delighted with the work that White Swan delivered, which helped us gain a greater understanding of the patient's needs and inform our clinical trial design. The insights were robust and actionable and at every stage the team were incredibly responsive, professional and enjoyable to work with.

Kerry Kriel, Early Asset Strategist

# Informing Strategic Priorities





## Objective

Understand patient and carer experiences from diagnosis to end of life care to identify their greatest needs to inform and shape development of future charitable services



## **Data Analysis**

>3 million conversations over 3 months



#### Outcome

Key unmet patient and carer needs identified, including tipping points for support

Aggressive and violent behavior is a key concern. While deterioration and loss of cognitive function are expected outcomes, aggression can be an unwelcome surprise, as well as being dangerous for both families and sufferers. Appropriate specialist care is essential to suit

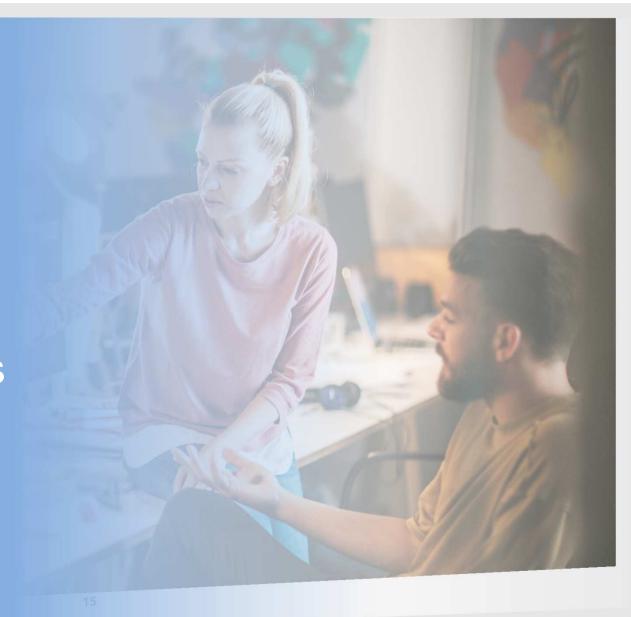
There is a genuine fear and mistrust of care homes both for families and sufferers.

Fears exist around poor quality of care and excessive costs. Family members feel guilt and under pressure to do more to provide the best care possible for their loved one, sometimes at a cost to their own health and wellbeing.

Exercise & Music are the top preventative lifestyle steps talked about online. While the majority of online discussion focusses on symptoms, carers and support, conversation around prevention frequently references research claiming that regular exercise of body and mind helps prevent and alleviate symptoms of Dementia.

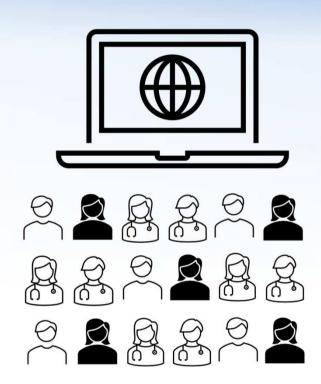
# Researchers

Creating a Bespoke
Interface to Million Minds
(in development)



# Unlocking Insight into Real-Life Patient Experiences for Researchers

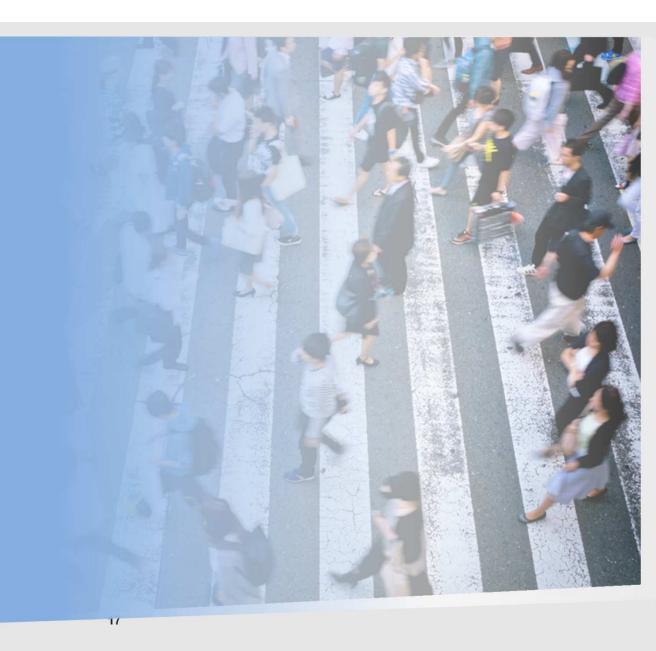
- Data democratisation. Enables access social data a fraction of the cost and time of ingesting, processing, storing and cleaning the data themselves.
- Discover deep 'whys' behind behaviours compliments the 'what' data sources to discover unmet needs, patient priorities, barriers and opportunities.
- Validated methodology. We set standards on how to curate and cleanse social data, supported by published papers, to ensure that our novel approach is validated
- Pre-Proposal Validation & Hypothesis Testing: Understand data availability and opportunities for analysis
- Gap analysis: Understand gaps in existing academic research and how this maps against patient priorities





# Future Innovation

Supporting Clinicians and Patients to Accelerate Diagnosis



## **The Problem / Opportunity**

Millions of people are living undiagnosed, not knowing what is wrong with them or what to do about it.



500
million people
living undiagnosed globally

1 in 17

have a rare disease at some point in their lives

# Long delay

to diagnosis

**5.6** years

+8 clinicians

+ 3 misdiagnosis

£3.6bn NHS cost

in GP appointments alone for



# **Supporting Accelerated Diagnosis**



#### Online social data

#### NLP/Models

- named entity recognition
- entity linking
- entity relationship extraction

"social" entities and relationships

- Comorbidities
- Lifestyle factors
- · Treatment side-effects
- ..



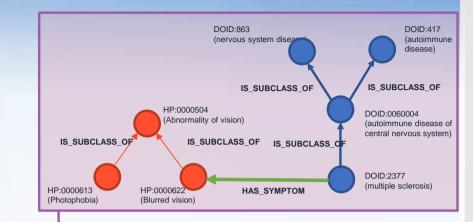


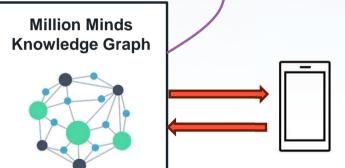
#### **Expert knowledge**

"Symptom" entities based on Human Phenotype Ontology (HPO)

"Condition" entities based on Disease Ontology (DO)

With cross-refs to other ontologies e.g. MeSH, ICD, SNOMED etc







Combines collective patient experience to help patients with their clinicians get to a diagnosis faster.



## **In Summary**

- ✓ Social data offers huge potential to improve health outcomes
- ✓ There is powerful insight accessible across the patient journey to accelerate diagnosis, improve treatment and care
- ✓ LLMs are accelerating our ability to cleanse and analyse
- Opening-up access to researchers could transform patient-centric advances
- ✓ Future innovation has the potential to support clinicians and patients to accelerate diagnosis





# Thank you

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