AVATAR - Project



Anonymisation of personal health data through the creation of digital avatars

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Motivation:

• A vast amount of data is available but remains untapped, especially in the

healthcare sector, due to stringent data protection laws.

- Improve patient care and drive innovation by developing a new anonymisation approach using available data.
- Key goal: shift the focus from data ownership to data utilization
- Proposing that the value lies in how **data** is **used** rather than who **owns** it.
- Treating data as a common good, acessible to all sectors of society

Innovation in the anonymisation of personal health data through the

AVATAR project.

Aim:

- Creating digital avatars from a decentralised data pool
 - (based on real data and preserving anonymity.)
- Opening up new **possibilities** for using **existing data** in practice, without data protection risks.
- Adapting the consent process for data donations to specific utilisation requests

enables the use of routine care data in **research and development**.



und Forschung

Incentives for sharing health data

Anonymisation of data

Transparency ¹ Purpose	Authorised users	Results
Notification	Audit log capability	Data management
Granularity (data type)	Authorised users	Purpose
Consent	User-friendliness	Interaction tool
Deletion of the data	Self-protection measures	Time for consideration
Data type	Limited in time	Stop access
Re	striction/blocking of specific info	rmation
Trust in data protection	Trust in providers and organisations (data recipients)	Guidelines for organising and sharing data
In patient organisations / In doctors	Perceived trustworthiness (in people, companies, government)	Ignorance of dangers
Severity of the di	isease Participatory res	search Demographics
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Possibility of deleting data

Obstacles of sharing health data Unauthorised disclosure Data cannot be withdrawn Lack of control due to illness Lack of control Ignorance about use of data Abuse of data Centralised storage Automatic storage **Distrust in data** Unauthorised access Identity theft Fraud protection Distrust in health insurance Distrust in research from Publication online pharmaceutical companies companies Non-ethical use of data Abuse by government **Commercial use** Secondary transfer Unknown applicant Access and data Lack of choices in release Lack of mechanisms for Lack of personal control granular control decision control³ **Insecure handling of data Absence of feedback Concerns about privacy**

Phone survey: Willingness and acceptance of data donation (11.2023-12.2023)

Topics covered by the questionnaire:



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