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# Optimising the drug development pathway and life cycle management through the integration of observational and interventional data and expertise

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# Drug development pathway & life cycle management

Are largely based upon Randomised Controlled Trials (RCTs) which have gold standard benefits.

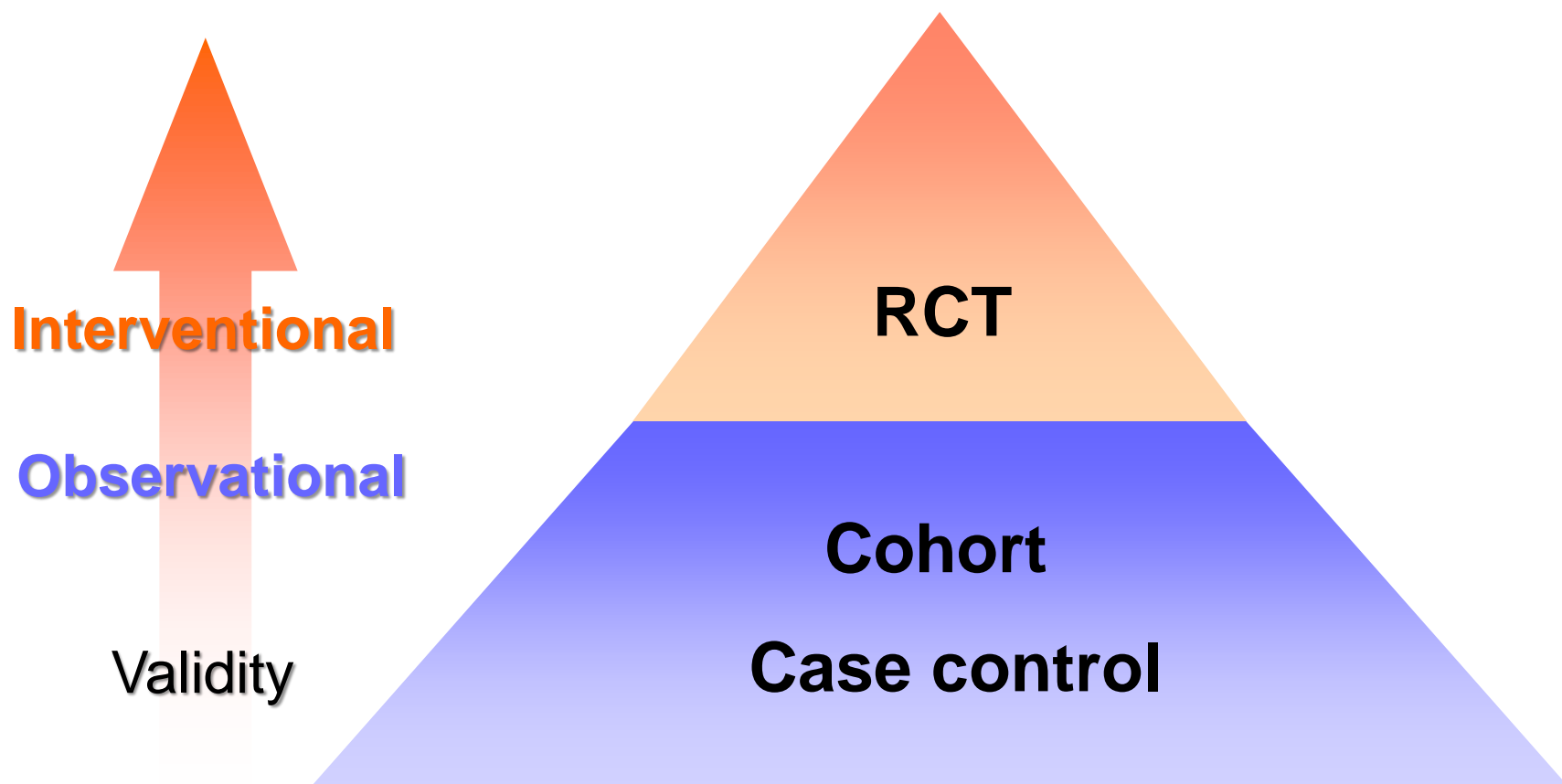
**BUT can RCTs reflect the real world?**

**Do Observational studies provide convincing evidence?**

Real World data lacking randomisation makes it difficult to establish causality AND the complex nature of the data requires expert understanding based on objective validation of study variable definitions

# RCTs vs OS: a spurious debate?

Hierarchy of study designs





***INTEGRATE!***

Interventional & Observational Research are considered separate

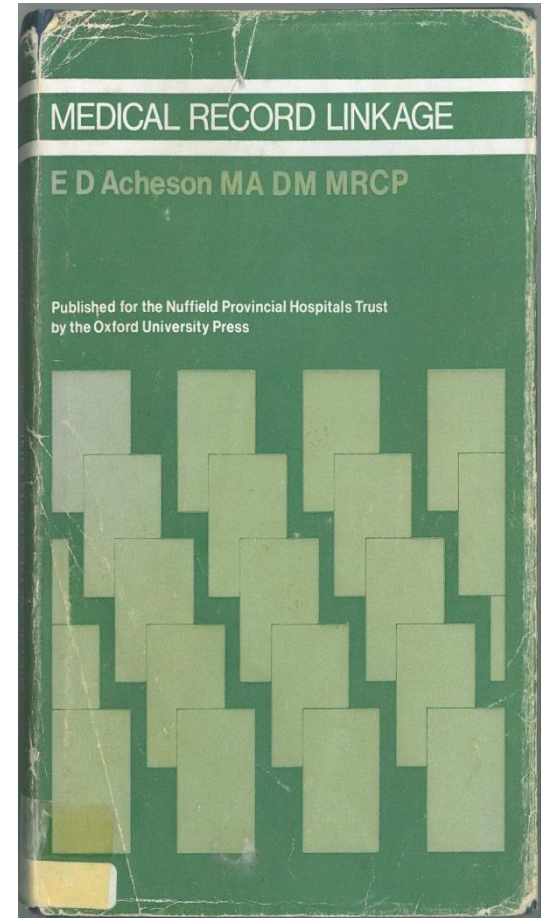
**BUT what can we achieve by working together?**

- Optimise match between proposed trial environment and trial objectives and design
- Maximise clinical relevance, data completeness and quality
- Contextualise study outcomes and adverse events

# Use of EHR in Research

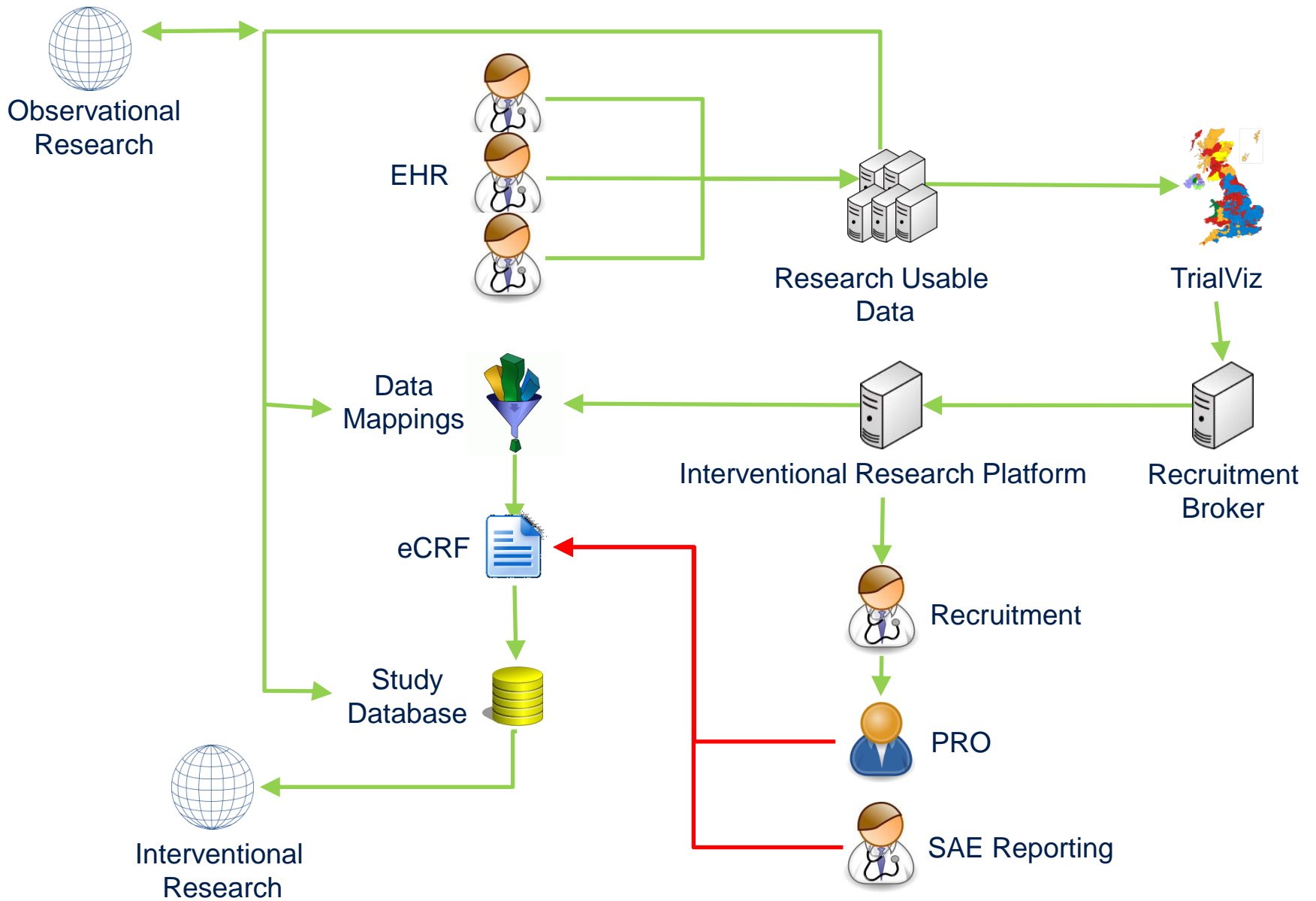
NHS 'cradle to grave' records of UK population

- Retrospective and prospective
- Real World setting
- Long term follow up
- Enables research at scale not otherwise possible
- Linkage across health records and other datasets
- Answer questions needing large datasets (e.g. rare conditions)
- Cost effective

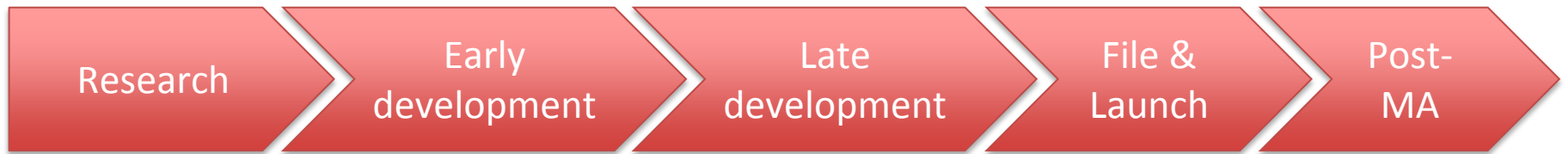


# Leveraging EHR for RWE

Integration of interventional and observational research expertise requires leveraging of EHR by amalgamation with Electronic Data Capture (EDC) using a component driven system using consistent data sources and methodologies to learn from and inform each stage of drug development.



# CPRD Real World Evidence for the drug development pipeline & life cycle management



Epidemiology, incidence / prevalence

Drug utilisation & prescribing

Standard of care delivery

Pharmacovigilance, Pharmacoepidemiology

Patient referral for intervention studies and clinical trials

Post authorisation pragmatic studies

Clinical trials feasibility – patient eligibility

 Observational research  
 Interventional research



# Any Questions?

CPRD's mission is to provide anonymised healthcare records for data services, interventional and observational research to

- *Improve public health*
- *Facilitate interventional studies to increase efficiency*
- *Enable academic and industry research in the UK and globally*
- *Support UK growth*

# Back-up

# Content of primary care data

- Consultations: 1.8 billion
- Exposures to drugs
  - Prescriptions: 1.7 billion
- Diagnoses and symptom recording
  - Referrals: 55 million
- Laboratory test results
  - Tests: 950 million
- Vaccination history
  - Immunisations: 150 million
- Demographic data

