

Protocol Automation with OpenStudyBuilder



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What is the OpenStudyBuilder?...

A NEW APPROACH TO STUDY SPECIFICATION

- Compliance with external and internal standards
- Facilitates automation and content reuse
- Ensures a higher degree of end-to-end consistency

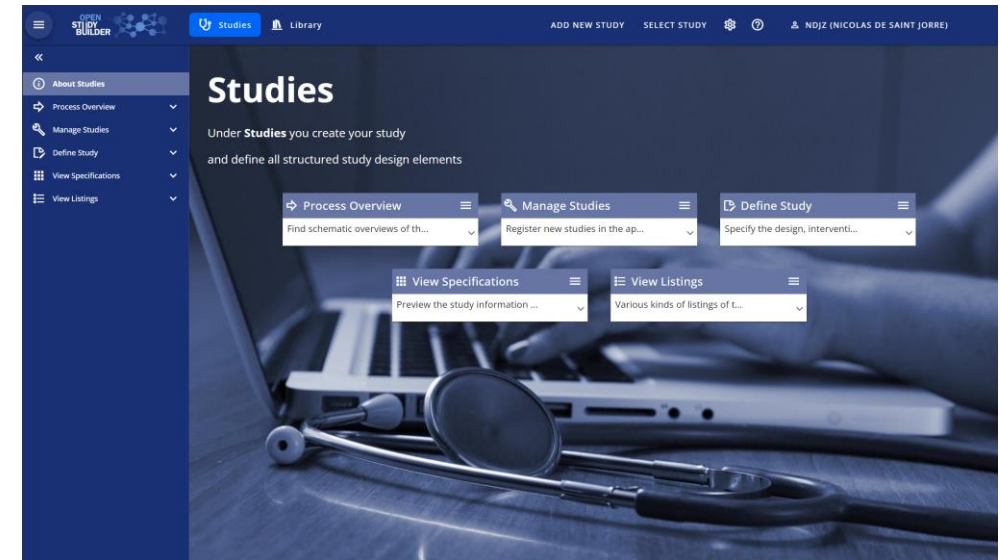
3 ELEMENTS OF OpenStudyBuilder

- **Clinical Metadata Repository (clinical MDR)**
(central repository for all study specification data)
- **OpenStudyBuilder application / Web UI**
- **API layer**
(allowing interoperability with other applications)
(DDF API Adaptor – enabling DDF SDR Compatibility)

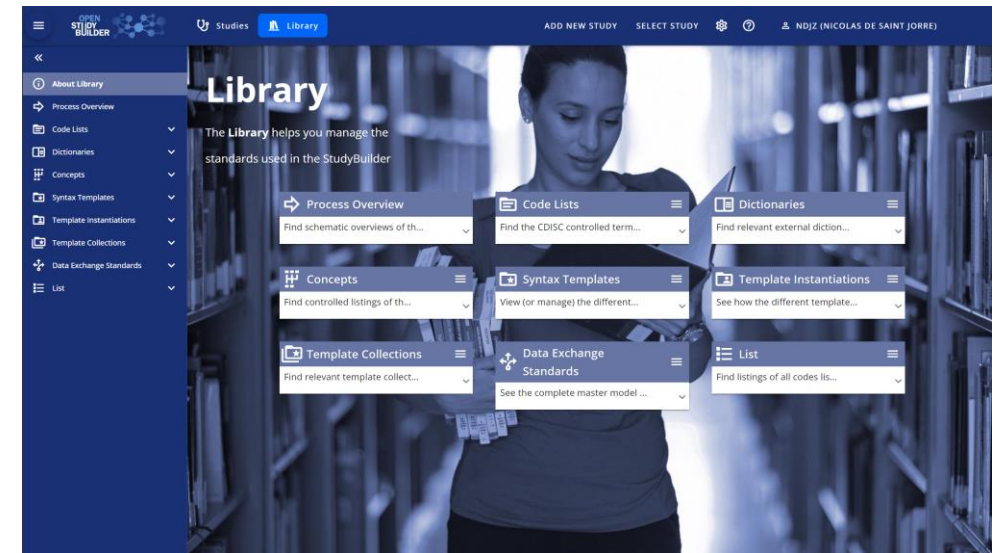


3 OpenStudyBuilder Components

STUDIES	
TITLE	CRITERIA
REGISTRY IDENTIFIERS	INTERVENTIONS
STRUCTURE	PURPOSE
POPULATION	ACTIVITIES



LIBRARY	
CONTROLLED TERMINOLOGY	MEDICAL DICTIONARIES (e.g., MedDRA)
CONCEPTS (ACTIVITIES, UNITS, CRFs, COMPOUNDS)	SYNTAX TEMPLATES
DATA EXCHANGE STANDARDS	



What is the key elements of OpenStudyBuilder supporting protocol automation

- **Library module**

- CDISC and sponsor terminology including sponsor preferred synonyms
- Biomedical Concepts named as Activity Concepts
- Syntax templates, to manage human readable structured protocol text

- **Study module**

- General Study attributes in scope for the protocol
- Study Design and SoA
- Objectives and Endpoints
- In- and Exclusion criteria



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- Process Overview
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- CT Catalogues
- CT Packages
- CDISC
- Sponsor
- Dictionaries
- Concepts
- Syntax Templates
- Template Instantiations
- Template Collections
- Data Exchange Standards
- List

Library / Code Lists / CT Catalogues / / C66737 / Terms / C15602_PHASE_III_TRIAL

Code list C66737 - TPHASE / Term Detail (Concept ID: C15602_PHASE_III_TRIAL)

Code List Summary

For the term sponsor values

CT identifiers	Selected values	Status	Modified	Version	Actions
Sponsor Preferred Name	3	Final	Oct 19, 2023, 11:06 PM	2.0	+
Sentence case name	3				✗
Order	3				🕒

For all terminologies we include the option to define the sponsor preferred name, in UK spelling, in Title and sentence case

In this case, we can use Arabic numbers as a synonym in the protocol template for study phase

For the code list attributes values

CT identifiers	Selected values	Status	Modified	Version	Actions
Concept ID	C15602_PHASE_III_TRIAL	Final	Mar 31, 2023, 2:00 AM	2.0	🕒
Name submission value					
Code submission value	PHASE III TRIAL				
NCI preferred name	Phase III Trial				
Definition	Phase that includes the controlled clinical trials intended to confirm safety and effectiveness, evaluate the overall benefit-risk relationship, and to provide substantial evidence for a treatment approach. NOTE: Phase 2 studies will include a				



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Bilirubin, Biochemistry

Overview OSB YAML

Biomedical Concepts in OpenStudyBuilder is named as Activity Concepts

Name Bilirubin, Biochemistry

Sentence case name bilirubin, biochemistry

Status Final

Definition

Activity instance class NumericFinding

Abbreviation Library Sponsor

NCI Concept ID

ADaM parameter code BILIS3 Topic code BILIRUBIN_SERUM

Required for activity No Default selected for activity No

Data sharing Yes Legacy usage No

Activity groupings

Activity group

Activity subgroup

Laboratory Assessments

Biochemistry

Activity

Name

Definition

Library

[Bilirubin](#)

Sponsor

Activity items

Item type

Name

Activity item class

CT term

Laboratory Data Domain

domain

CT term

Total Bilirubin Measurement

test_name_code

CT term

Serum

specimen

The Activity Concepts is what you will select for the SoA – and include end to end definitions

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- Objective Templates
- Endpoint Templates
- Time Frame Templates
- Criteria Templates
- Activity Templates
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Syntax Templates in OpenStudyBuilder is used to manage structured text with references to Activity Concepts and Controlled Terminology for library items

Library / Template Instantiations / End

Endpoints

Select rows

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Template	Endpoint	Status	Version
Safety and tolerability of [Compound] + [Compound] cohort measured by number and grade of toxicity events	Safety and tolerability of azd6738 + olaparib cohort measured by number and grade of toxicity events	Final	1.0
Safety and tolerability of [Compound] + [Compound] cohort measured by number and grade of toxicity events	Safety and tolerability of azd6738 + durvalumab cohort measured by number and grade of toxicity events	Final	1.0
Disease control rate of [Compound] + [Compound] cohort	Disease control rate of azd6738 + olaparib cohort	Final	1.0
Disease control rate of [Compound] + [Compound] cohort	Disease control rate of azd6738 + durvalumab cohort	Final	1.0
Mean change from baseline in [ActivityInstance]	Mean change from baseline in body weight	Final	1.0
Proportion of subjects with [ActivityInstance] [Operator] [NumericValue] [Unit]	Proportion of subjects with hba1c < 7 %	Final	1.0
Mean change from baseline in [ActivityInstance]	Mean change from baseline in hba1c	Final	1.0



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View Specifications

Protocol Elements

SDTM Study Design Datasets

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Studies / View Specifications / Protocol Elements / Title Page

Protocol Elements (CDISC DEV-0)

Title Page Protocol SoA Objectives and Endpoints Study Design Study Population Study Interventions Study Activities

Title Page Information

Title page elements	Values
Protocol title	My first study
Protocol short title	my first study short title
Substance name	NPH Insulin
Universal Trial Number	
EudraCT number	2019-123456-42
IND number	
Study phase	3

The Studies module support

- general study attributes
- study design
- study criteria
- study SoA

And preview of structured protocol content

Schedule of Activities (SoA) at multiple levels



Protocol SoA

- For the high level SoA in protocol section 1.2
- Main purpose is for the investigator and site staff to get an overview of the operational schedule

Detailed SoA

- Specifying the semantic data observations to be collected in the study – but not specific to representation in ADaM, SDTM or data collection
- Will be part of protocol section 8 and appendixes or other supplementary documents

Operational SoA

- The data specification to support data collection specification
- Correspond to our existing legacy BCs (Topic Codes)
- Will also related to specific ADaM PARAM/PARAMCD

Data Capture / Collection Specification

- How data is to be collected in the study and when
- What is pre-set, what is collected and how

Selection process of Activities for SoA

For Protocol Outline / Protocol

- Select Activities in relevant grouping
- When selecting an Activity within a specific grouping, then this will drive ActivityInstance – this should be visible for Protocol Writers (like a COL)
 - Some ActivityInstances can be mark as default for an Activity, and will then be pre-selected
 - Some ActivityInstances can be marked as mandatory – and cannot be un-selected
- Select what to display or hide in high-level Protocol SoA

For Operational Data Specification

- Confirm or Select Activity Instances for each selected Activity
- If the correct ActivityInstance will change Grouping – this will require a change to the Protocol SoA – this will then

For Data Collection Specification

- The data collection specification
 - Lab specs
 - CRF
 - Other eSources
 - What is pre-set

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Studies / Define Study / Study Activities / Detailed SoA

Study Activities (CDISC DEV-0) ?

Study Activities
Study Activity Instances
Detailed SoA
SoA footnotes
Protocol SoA
Activity Instructions

The detailed SoA describe scheduling of the specific Activities and their grouping for the study

Activities	Window	Screening										Follow-up
		V1	V2	V3	V4	V5	V6	V7	V8	V9	V10	V11
		-14	1	8	15	22	29	36	43	57	183	213
		-13/+0	±0	-1/+1	-1/+1	-1/+1	-1/+1	-1/+1	-1/+1	-1/+1	-1/+1	0/+35
> SUBJECT RELATED INFORMATION	🗑️											
▼ EFFICACY	🗑️											
▼ Laboratory Assessments	👁️											
▼ <input type="checkbox"/> Glucose Metabolism	👁️											
<input type="checkbox"/> HbA1c	🗑️	✅	✅	✅	✅	✅	✅	✅	✅	✅	✅	○
▼ Self Measured Plasma Glucose	👁️											
<input type="checkbox"/> Self Measured Plasma Glucose	🗑️											
<input type="checkbox"/> Mean Plasma Glucose	🗑️	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
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Each level in the Activity hierarchy can be selected for display in the "Protocol SoA"

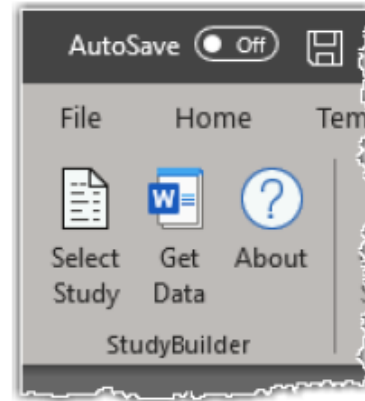




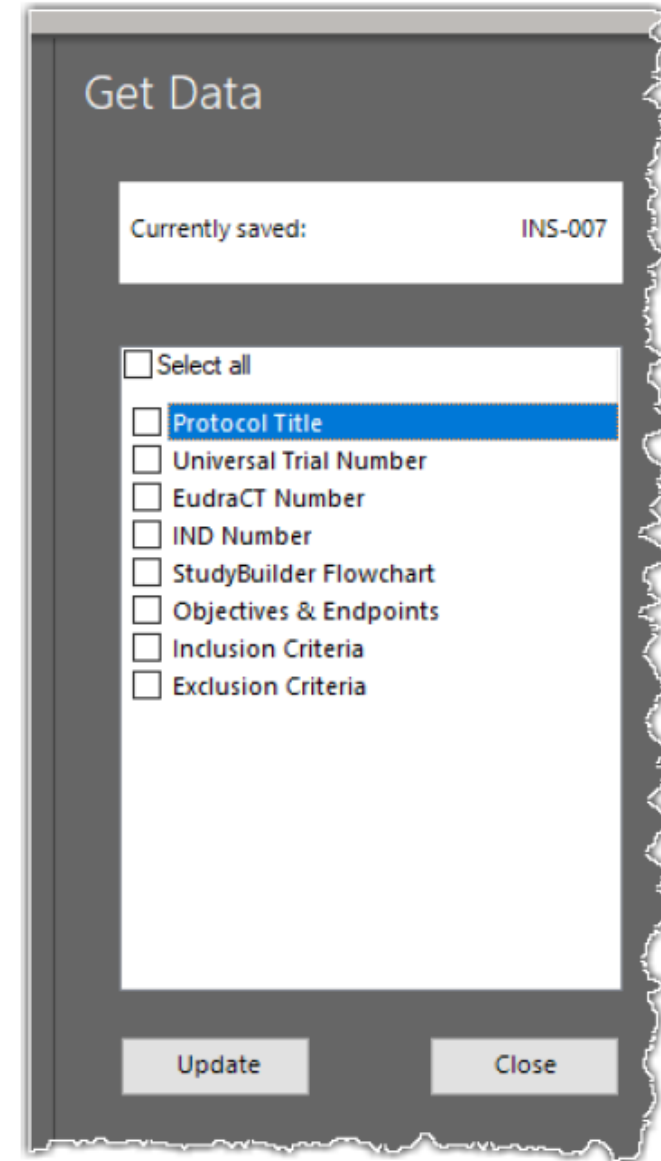
StudyBuilder ribbon (Word add-in)

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connection

- ✓ Code recognizes the document type
- ✓ User-friendly ribbon and 'fly-out' in Word
- ✓ Styles ensure proper formatting in Word



Protocol



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Protocol	CONFIDENTIAL	Date:	30 September 2022	Novo Nordisk
Study ID:		Version:	0.1	
		Status:	Draft	
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Protocol

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For explanation of the formatting and text conventions, see Instructions for Protocol Templates on page 2.
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Protocol Title: Insert via the StudyBuilder ribbon.
 The title must include the name of the investigational intervention(s), the condition being studied, the study population included and the primary purpose, and should not be longer than 300 characters, including spaces. Two studies must not have identical titles.
 Study intervention name(s) must be consistent throughout the protocol and protocol-related documents. The investigational medicinal product name must comply with document Q145046. Consult HQ Regulatory Affairs and/or project vice president/project director for correct use of product/substance name(s)/devices.
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Short Title: Insert via the StudyBuilder ribbon.
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Substance Number / Name (as applicable):

Protocol Version Number: Version *X.0* (add the version number that the protocol ultimately will

Select Study & Version

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Project Number	Study ID	Status	Study Acronym	Study Number
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CDISC DEV	CDISC DEV-0001	DRAFT	DDF-SampleData-...	0001

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Version	Status	VersionDate
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1.2 Flowchart

Schedule of Activities

Structured content including SoA will be transferred to the content controls Word based Protocol Template

Procedure	Screening			Treatment							Follow-up
	V1	V2	V3	V4	V5	V6	V7	V8	V9	V10	
Visit short name	V1	V2	V3	V4	V5	V6	V7	V8	V9	V10	V11
Study day	-14	1	8	15	22	29	36	43	57	183	213
Visit window (days)	-13/+0	±0	±1	±1	±1	±1	±1	±1	±1	±1	+0/+35
Randomisation											
Randomisation		X									
End of Study											
End of Study											X
Body Measurements											
Body Measurements	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Eligibility Criteria											
Eligibility Criteria	X										
Laboratory Assessments											
Glucose Metabolism	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Lipids	X	X			X			X		X	
Biochemistry	X	X			X			X		X	
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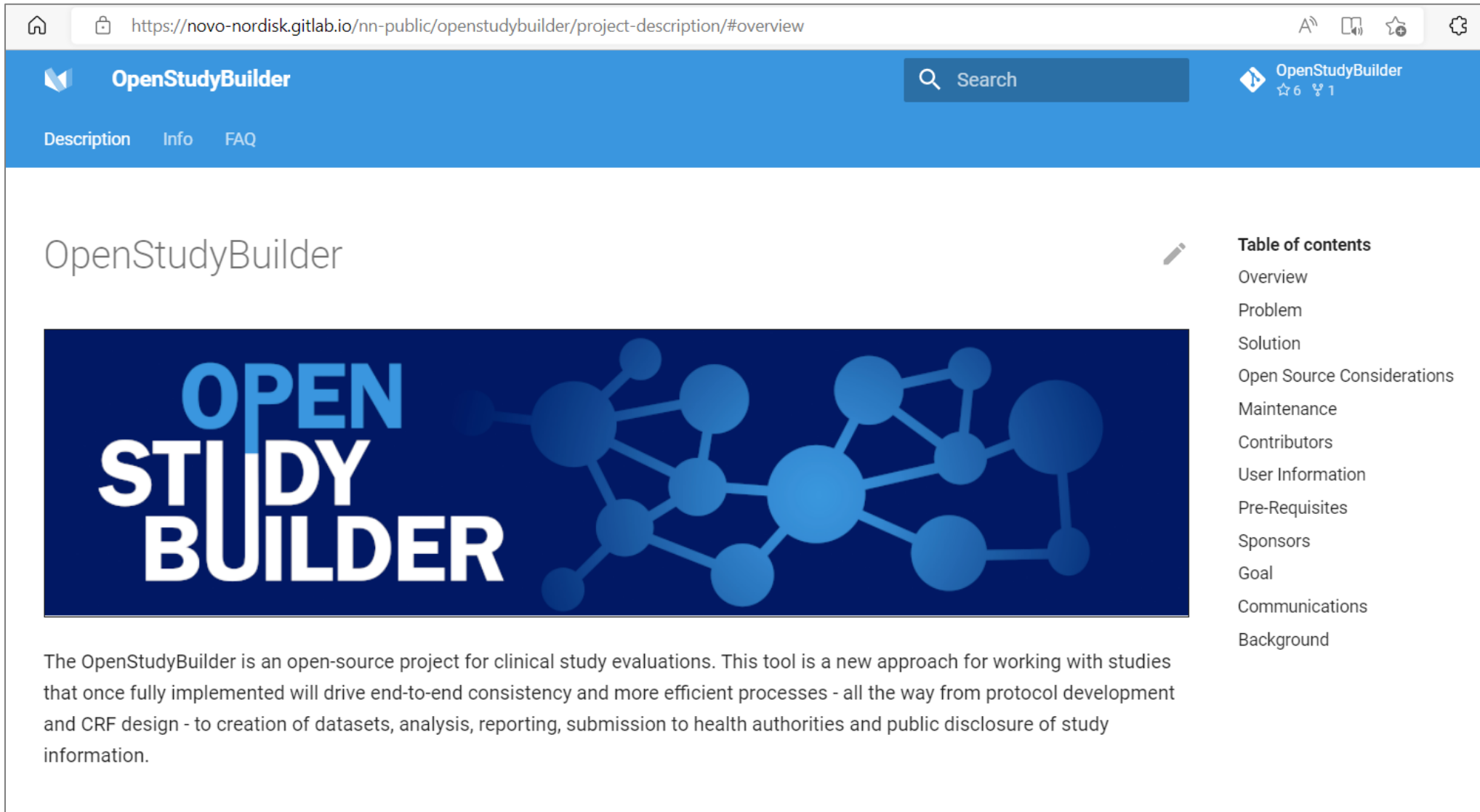
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OpenStudyBuilder next steps

- Non-GCP MVP released internally at Novo Nordisk in September 2022 for pilots
 - Business go-live November 2023 for phase 2-4 studies with protocol outline kickoff
 - Share as open source project under COSA
 - <https://cosa.cdisc.org/directory/openStudyBuilder>
 - <https://openstudybuilder.com/>
- Currently only containing a project description
- Seek to actively collaborate with CDISC, TransCelerate DDF, peers and vendors



How do I get started on OpenStudyBuilder?



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the project description for OpenStudyBuilder on the GitLab platform. The browser's address bar shows the URL: <https://novo-nordisk.gitlab.io/nn-public/openstudybuilder/project-description/#overview>. The page header is blue and contains the OpenStudyBuilder logo, a search bar, and navigation links for Description, Info, and FAQ. The main content area features the title "OpenStudyBuilder" and a large blue banner with the text "OPEN STUDY BUILDER" and a network diagram. To the right of the banner is a "Table of contents" section with a pencil icon, listing various sections. Below the banner is a paragraph of introductory text.

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The OpenStudyBuilder is an open-source project for clinical study evaluations. This tool is a new approach for working with studies that once fully implemented will drive end-to-end consistency and more efficient processes - all the way from protocol development and CRF design - to creation of datasets, analysis, reporting, submission to health authorities and public disclosure of study information.

<https://novo-nordisk.gitlab.io/nn-public/openstudybuilder/project-description/>

Thanks!
Questions?

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