# Using AI To Deliver Personalized Conference Agendas

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## Agenda

- The publication process
- Overview of ASCO and taxonomy project
- Why provide session recommendations
- Plan to Use 'Taxonomical Profiles'
- Session Recommender design
  - Questionnaire
  - Query
  - Outputs and functionality
- Lessons learned
  - User feedback from application
  - Usability studies
- Next Steps
  - Session Recommender 2.0
  - Member personalization



#### Research Announcement Paths

Conferences announce the cutting edge of science



**PATENT** 

**CONFERENCE** 

ARTICLE PUBLICATIONS



## Manuscript submission system

Author writes potential paper Load to Submission system Send to Peer reviewers

Accept for publication

Copyedit Layout XML

Distribution paths

Journal platform

Conference platform

Article of record repository

Return comments to authors

**Resolve Comments** 





## Article Distribution Channels

Organization Web site Citations And References



Author Web site

Article reviews

Library Contracts

















Organization Web site

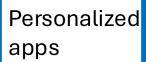
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Author Web site

Conference Program













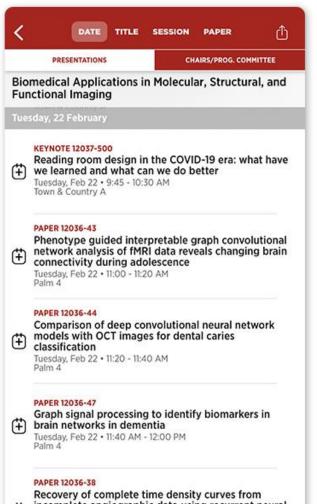


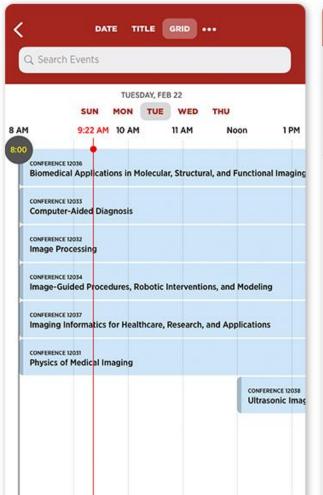


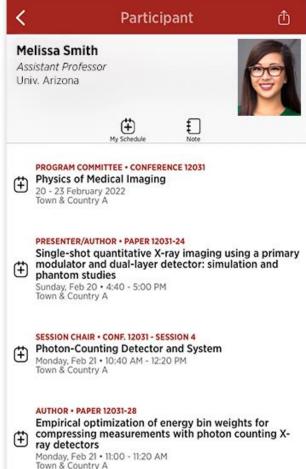
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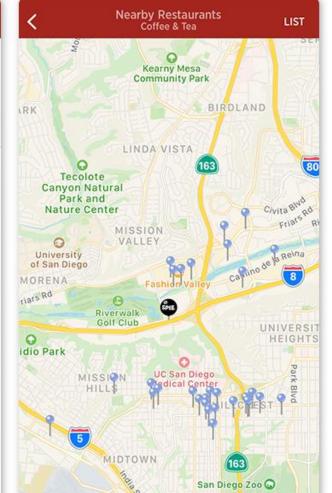
- American Association for Cancer Research (AACR)
  - 7,200 presentations
  - 22,000 participants
  - cancer biology to cutting-edge therapies and innovations like AI and organoid models, spatial biology, cancer immunotherapy, computational models in cancer research, etc.
- SPIE Photonics West 2024
  - 24,000 attendees
  - 1,500 exhibitors
  - 5,000 technical presentations
  - biomedical optics, lasers, optoelectronics, quantum technologies, etc.

## SPIE Conference App









## Case Study American Society of Clinical Oncology

- Founded in 1964, the American Society of Clinical Oncology promotes and provides for
  - Lifelong learning for oncology professionals,
  - Cancer research,
  - An improved environment for oncology practice,
  - Access to quality cancer care,
  - A global network of oncology expertise, and
  - Educated and informed patients with cancer
- ASCO represents more than 42,000 oncology professionals

## **ASCO's Taxonomy Project**

- Worked with Access Innovations to develop six separate thesauri
  - Subject/Topical
  - Drugs
  - Genes
  - Organizational
  - Entities
  - Countries
- Enable ASCO to
  - Internally inventory and manage
  - Hundreds of thousands of pieces of content
  - Across multiple platforms
- Provide targeted retrieval



## **ASCO's Taxonomy Project**

- Enhance search
  - More targeted
  - More accurate results
    - Allow for personalization
    - advertising
- Automated curation based on standardized content characteristics
  - Various sites,
  - Products,
  - Services
  - Suggested papers



#### Why Provide Session Recommendations

- ASCO's 2016 Leadership Development Program
- Improve attendee Annual Meeting experience
  - Overwhelming choices
  - More than 200 sessions
  - Nearly 2,000 posters
  - 32,000-plus professional attendees
- Suggested offering recommended sessions



## **ASCO Annual Meeting 2017**





Innovations, Inc.

#### The Solution: Create Taxonomical Profiles

- Develop an application to
- Generate recommended sessions
- Relevancy by matching
  - Attendee taxonomical profiles
  - Indexed sessions
- Users add their selections
  - To their schedule in the
  - ASCO iPlanner application



## Sorting Meeting Tracks into Taxonomical Terms

- ASCO mapped each of 30 tracks to its subject thesaurus
- Access Innovations indexed all Annual Meeting sessions
  - Used subject, drug and genetic thesauri
- Science sessions indexed
  - terms from abstracts
- Education sessions indexed
  - Titles
  - Learning objectives



## Example of Mapping: 'Breast Cancer' Track

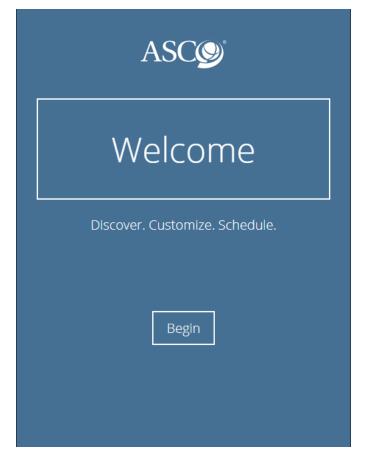
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- Bilateral breast cancer
- Breast lymphoma
- Breast sarcoma
- Contralateral breast cancer
- ER negative breast cancer
- ER positive breast cancer
- HER2 negative breast cancer
- HER2 positive breast cancer
- Inflammatory breast cancer
- Invasive breast cancer
- Invasive ductal breast cancer
- Invasive medullary breast cancer
- Invasive micropapillary breast cancer

- Invasive mucinous breast cancer
- Invasive papillary breast cancer
- Invasive lobular breast cancer
- Ipsilateral breast tumor recurrence
- Lobular carcinoma
- Lobular carcinoma in situ
- Male breast cancer
- Noninvasive breast cancer
- Ductal carcinoma in situ
- Occult breast cancer
- Phyllodes tumors
- Triple negative breast cancer
- BRCA testing



#### Design of the Session Recommender

- Although browser based, intended to mimic look and feel of mobile applications
- Short questionnaire designed to quickly supplement registration info, gather additional detail
- Because a pilot, built in a feedback mechanism





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- Invasive lobular breast cancer
- Ipsilateral breast tumor recurrence
- Lobular carcinoma

All Synonyms searched

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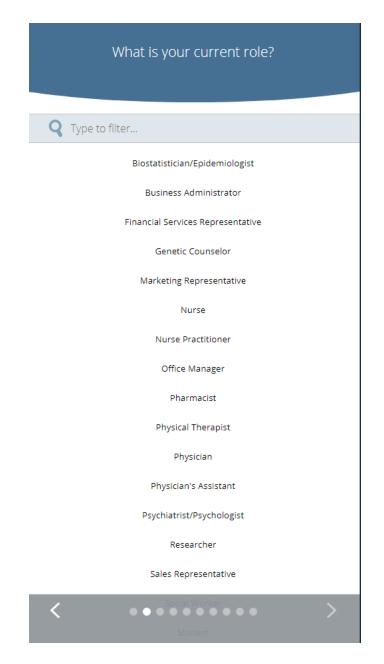
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#### Online Survey - Interactive Questionnaire

- Develop a taxonomy profile
  - For individual attendee
- Identify appropriate
  - Session types
  - Topics to boost
  - Presentations of interest







Academic Medical Center/University Administration

Government Agency

#### Laboratory Research

Pharmaceutical/Biotechnology Company

Private Practice (Office or Hospital Based)

Staff Model HMO

Training Program (Fellow, Resident, Student)

Other





#### Select up to 4 topics of interest.

#### SELECTED







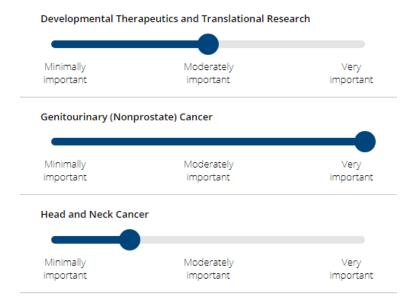


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Breast Cancer	<b>(+)</b>
Cancer Prevention, Hereditary Genetics, and Epidemiology	<b>(+)</b>
Care Delivery and Practice Management	<b>(+)</b>
Central Nervous System Tumors	<b>(+)</b>
Developmental Therapeutics and Translational Research	•
Gastrointestinal (Colorectal) Cancer	<b>(+)</b>
Gastrointestinal (Noncolorectal) Cancer	<b>(+)</b>
Genitourinary (Nonprostate) Cancer	•
Genitourinary (Prostate) Cancer	<b>(+)</b>
Geriatric Oncology	<b>(+)</b>
Global Health	<b>(+)</b>
Gynecologic Cancer	<b>(+)</b>
Head and Neck Cancer	•
Health Services Research, Clinical Informatics, and Quality of Care	<b>(+)</b>
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#### Refine: Breast Cancer

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Breast cancer	<b>(+)</b>
Ductal carcinoma in situ	<b>(+)</b>
ER negative breast cancer	<b>(+)</b>
ER positive breast cancer	<b>②</b>
HER2 negative breast cancer	<b>②</b>
HER2 positive breast cancer	<b>②</b>
Invasive breast cancer	<b>(+)</b>
Triple negative breast cancer	<b>(+)</b>

Rate how important each topic is to you.



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#### Example of a Resulting Taxonomical Profile

- Attendee was a Physician who worked at an Academic Medical Center/University
- Selected topics were:
  - Developmental Therapeutics and Translational Research (5 rating)
  - Hematologic Malignancies—Plasma Cell Dyscrasia = (4 rating)
  - Lung Cancer (5 rating)
  - Melanoma/Skin Cancers (3 rating)
- Associated interest in Pediatric Oncology
- No drugs selected



## Terms that comprised their taxonomical profile

- Anticancer drugs, Clinical trial access, Developmental therapeutics, Hormonal therapy, Immune cells, Immune checkpoint inhibitors, Immune related adverse events, Immunotherapy, Natural killer cells, Pharmacodynamics, Pharmacokinetics, Programmed cell death protein 1, Programmed death ligand 1, Regulatory T lymphocytes, T cell antigen receptors, T cells, Targeted therapy, Tumor infiltrating lymphocytes
- Multiple myeloma, Plasma cell disorders
- Lung cancer, Non small cell lung carcinoma, Pulmonary small cell carcinoma, Squamous lung cancer
- Melanoma, Merkel cell carcinoma, Mucosal melanoma, Nodular melanoma
- Pediatric oncology



## Resulting Query Processed by SOLR

- q: subject\_thes\_session:(("Medicine|Pharmacology|Drugs|Anticancer drugs" OR "Research|Clinical research|Clinical trials|Clinical trial methodology|Clinical trial accrual|Clinical trial access" OR "Treatment|Developmental therapeutics" OR "Treatment|Hormonal therapy" OR "Biology|Immunology|Immune cells" OR "Treatment|Immunotherapy|Immune checkpoint inhibitors" OR "Treatment|Outcomes|Treatment related complications|Adverse effects|Immune related adverse events" OR "Treatment|Immunotherapy" OR "Medicine|Pharmacology|Drugs|Kinase inhibitors" OR "Biology|Immunology|Antibodies|Monoclonal antibodies" OR "Biology|Immunology|Immune cells|Natural killer cells" OR "Medicine|Pharmacology|Pharmacokinetics" OR "Biology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology|Immunology| une checkpoints|Programmed cell death protein 1" OR "Biology|Biochemistry|Proteins|Programmed de ath ligand 1" OR "Biology|Immunology|Immune cells|T cells|Regulatory T lymphocytes" OR "Biology|Bio chemistry|T cell antigen receptors" OR "Biology|Immunology|Immune cells|T cells|T cells" OR "Treatment|Imm unotherapy|Targeted therapy" OR "Biology|Immunology|Immune cells|Tumor infiltrating lymphocytes")^7.5 OR ("Cancers|Hematologic malignancies|Plasma cell disorders|Multiple myeloma" OR "Cancers|Hematologic malignancies|Plasma cell disorders")^6 OR ("Cancers|Lung cancer" OR "Cancers|Lung cancer|Non small cell lung carcinoma" OR "Cancers|Lung cancer|Pulmonary small cell carcinoma" OR "Cancers|Lung cancers|Lung cancers|Cancers|Melanoma" OR "Cancers|Melanoma" OR "Cancers|Melanoma" OR "Cancers|Melanoma" OR "Cancers|Melanoma" OR "Cancers|Melanoma")^4.5)
- fq: -fctTopic:"Pediatric Oncology"
- rows:30
- defType: edismax
- bq: (SessionType:\* AND Education)^4



Sort by

Add All to Schedule (+)

#### Session Recommender Output

- Limited results to max 30 total sessions,
- Default display was relevance,
- Could switch to date
- Users able to
  - add to schedule or
  - delete
  - using the icons to the right
- Can use "Add All" function

Relevancy Featured SAT JUN 4, 10:30 AM Date Opening Session With Fellows of the American Society of Clinical Oncology, Guest Speaker's Address, Presidential Address, ASCO Humanitarian Award, and David A. Karnofsky Memorial Award and Lecture Opening Session SUN JUN 5, 02:00 PM Մ-Մ + Plenary Session Including the Science of Oncology Award and Lecture Hall B1 Plenary Session MON JUN 5, 09:00 AM Մ-Մ + Developmental Therapeutics—Immunotherapy Poster Session FRI JUN 2, 03:45 PM + Expanding the Actionable Landscape: Bladder Cancer Genomics Arie Crown Theater Clinical Science Symposium

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#### Syncing with Meeting iPlanner

Selected sessions

- iPlanner provides
  - Additional session details
  - More functionality
- Available versions
  - Desktop
  - Mobile versions

Fessions at a Glance ASCO Annual Meeting CE

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Click here to get recommended sessions based on your interests.



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Session

	Date	Session Time	Session Type	Title	Room	
	Sat, Jun 3	1:15 PM - 4:45 PM	Poster Session	Patient and Survivor Care	Hall A	$\overline{\bigcirc}$
	Sat, Jun 3	1:15 PM - 4:45 PM	Poster Session	Tumor Biology	Hall A	$\odot$
	Sun, Jun 4	8:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Poster Session	Breast Cancer—Local/Regional/Adjuvant	Hall A	$\bigcirc$
	Sun, Jun 4	8:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Poster Session	Breast Cancer—Metastatic	Hall A	$\odot$
	Sun, Jun 4	11:30 AM - 12:45 PM	Poster Discussion Session	Breast Cancer—Local/Regional/Adjuvant	Hall D2	$\overline{\bigcirc}$
<b>Z</b> c	ation:	4:45 PM - 6:00 PM	Poster Discussion	Breast Cancer—Metastatic	Hall B1	

After Travis Hicks, Using Taxonomy to Drive Personaliza Aligning User Interests and Content, 2018

#### **Lessons Learned**

731 positives

102 negatives

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3,300 attendees
roughly 10 percent of attendees
completed the Session Recommendation
question process
Overall, received 88% favorable feedback
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#### Feedback

The ASCO Session Recommender is a pilot program. Please help us improve by providing feedback.

How likely would you be to recommend that other meeting attendees use this tool?



Let us	know	how	we c	an d	0	better

We would like to thank the 2016 Leadership Development Program team for recommending ASCO pursue the program and the ASCO Taxonomy Governance Subcommittee for their guidance.

#### **SUBMIT**

## **Usability Findings**

- Overall positive feedback on relevancy of results
- Multiple users questioned lack of session details in display
- Multiple users requested ability to select more than 5 topics
- Participants interested in larger number of topics saw rating importance of topics as being more useful
- Multiple users noted displaying class of drugs would be better than selecting specific drugs
- Expected sort by date vs relevancy as default display for results



#### Next Steps

- ASCO to iterate existing projects and expand into other areas
- ASCO needs to better standardize and capture individual profile data
  - Aligning questions/values at all locations profile data collected
  - Writing back and synching data in areas previously siloed
- Create Personalized Profile Database to
  - Power personalization on
    - Multiple applications
    - Websites
    - Store
  - Member/Non-member taxonomy profiles based on interest
  - Activity data (meetings attended, courses taken, articles submitted, etc.)



# Profile Database Structure

Entity	Data Element Name		
Personalization Profile	ASCO ID		
Personalization Profile	Country		
Personalization Profile	Professional Interest		
Personalization Profile	Board Certifications		
Personalization Profile	Specialities		
Personalization Profile	First Time Attendee		
Personalization Profile	Cancer Survivor		
Personalization Profile	Pre-Meeting Sessions		
Personalization Profile	Professional Role		
Personalization Profile	Taxo Terms on Presentation Level		
Personalization Profile	Taxo Terms on Session Level		
Personalization Profile	Meetings Attended		
Personalization Profile	Future Meetings		
Personalization Profile	Degree		
Personalization Profile	Research Participation		
Personalization Profile	Taxonomy profile		
Session Recommender	Primary Meeting Interest		
Session Recommender	Weights Based On Preference Level		
Session Recommender	Drug Categories Based On Preference Level		
Session Recommender	Sessions Added to Schedule		
Session Recommender	Records Added To Collection		
Session Recommender	Conflicting Sessions		
Session Recommender	Recommended Sessions Not Used		
Application 2	Categories of emails opened		
Application 2	Frequency of opens		
Application 2	Taxo terms of content clicked on		
Application 2	Frequency of clicks		

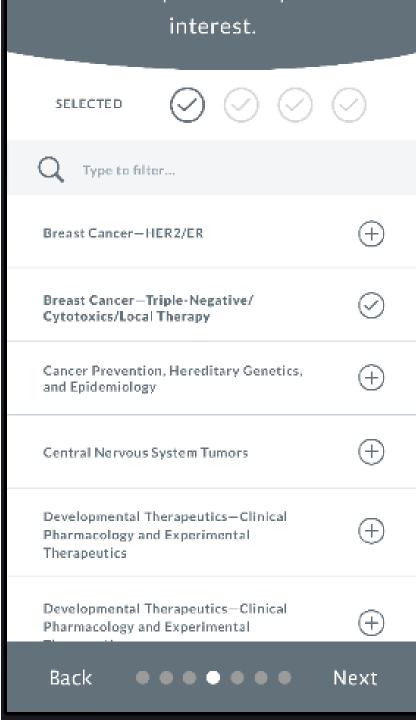
#### Session Recommender 2.0

New features, changes to app based on feedback



#### Interface Updates

- Use "Back" and "Next" labels
- Update scrollable lists to emphasize that additional options available



#### **New Features**

- Display session, presentation and presenter details in results
- Alert when conflicting sessions in suggestions
- Option to run same query against posters

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#### Session

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THU, JUN 1, 1:00 - 2:15 PM | Hall D2



#### Chair(s):

Jason R. Westin, M.D. M.S. The University of Teras M.D. Anderson. Cancer Center

#### PRESENTATIONS

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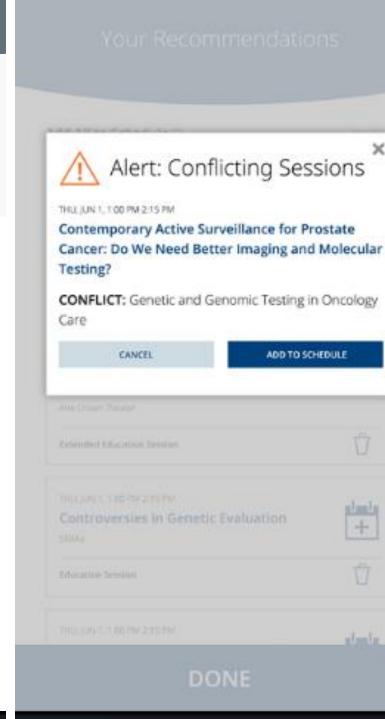
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#### Flow

- Increase to 5 (from 4) number of topics doctors can select
- Use drug classes as classes rather than individual drugs



#### Member Personalization

- Goal is to raise awareness of programs/services
  - By matching with interests
- Possibly a specialized content repository
  - Based on expressed interests



#### Summary

- Reviewed the publication process
- Emphasis on Conferences
- ASCO conference app use case
- AI implementations work well with -
  - Well structured data
  - Taxonomy used in semantic enrichment
- Conference attendees -
  - Save time
  - Find the most targeted presentations
  - Have a much better conference experience
  - Find like interest profiles



#### Thank You For Your Attention

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#### Questions

- Are there privacy concerns in this implementation?
- How long does the process take?
- What are the next steps?

