

Articles representations for the automation of the inclusion proces in SLR

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Agenda

- Project REFSA
- IT support for SLR
- Semantic representations of articles
- Active learning proces



Project REFSA

Machine Learning-based system for the automation of systematic literature reviews in food safety domain

Partners:

- **Warsaw University of Technology (leader)**
- **Oslo Metropolitan University**
- **Norwegian Institute of Public Health – Norwegian Scientific Committee for Food and Environment**
- **National Institute of Public Health**
- **Tecna, IT company**

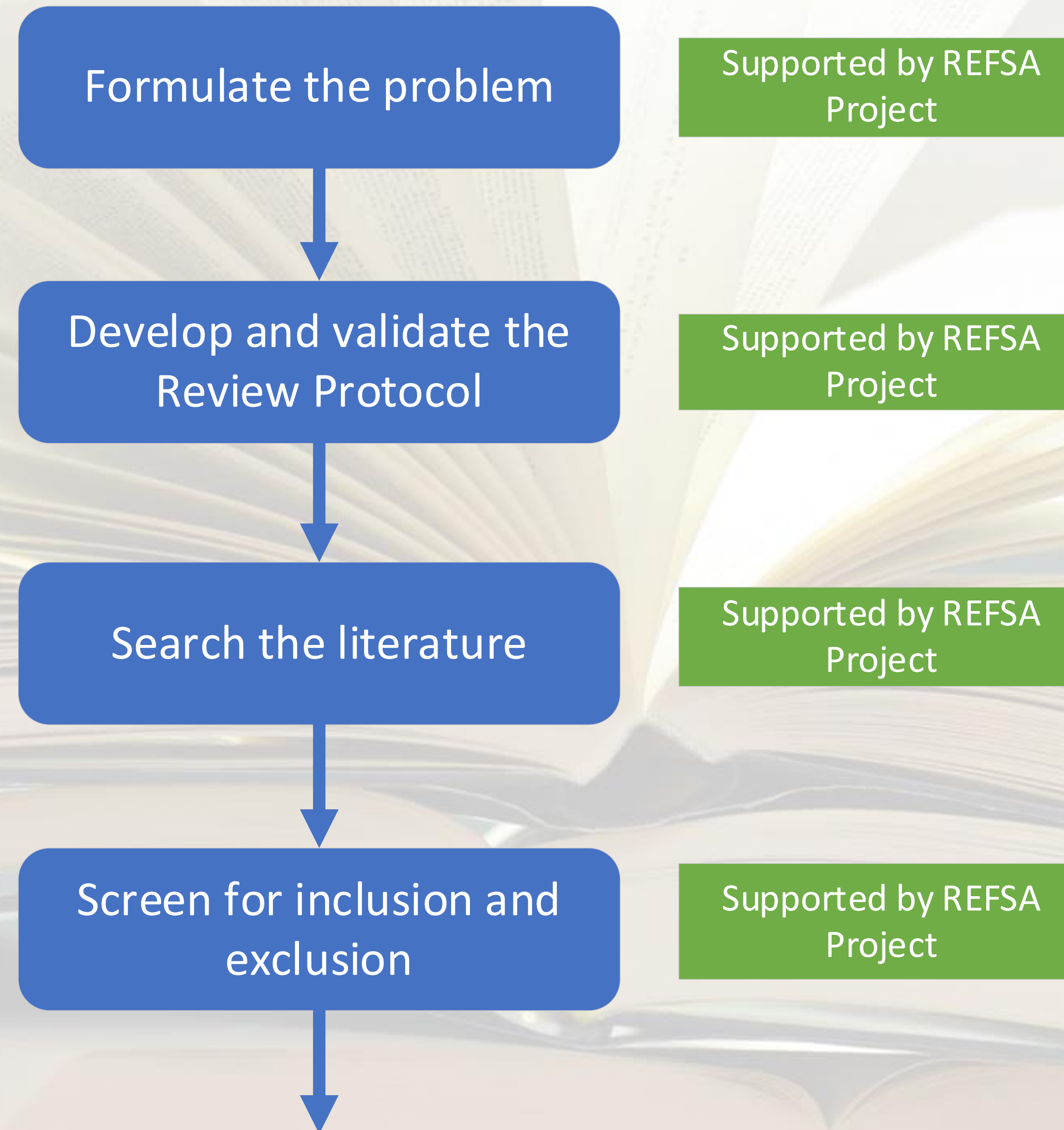


Systematic Literature Review

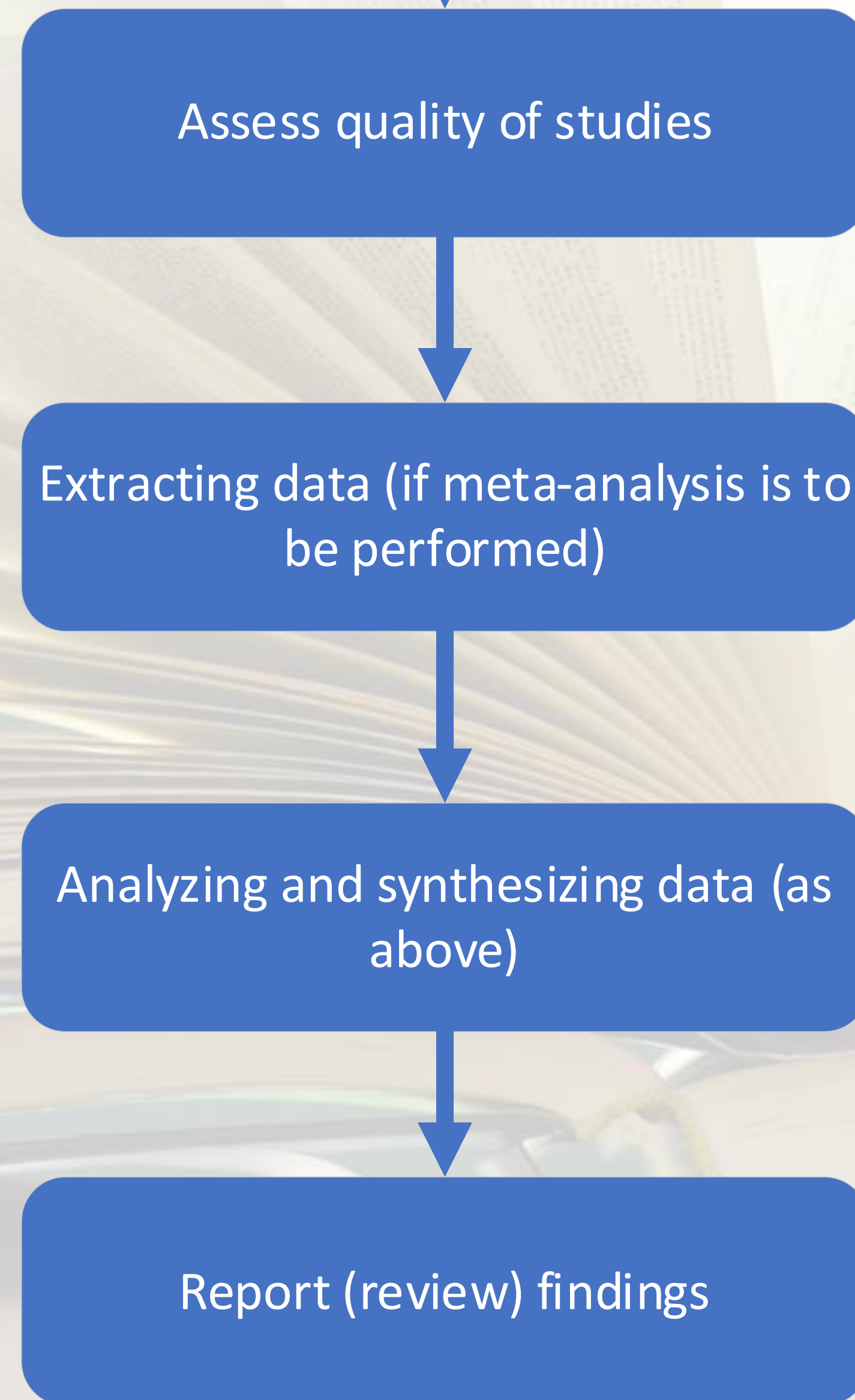
- PRISMA (Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic reviews and Meta-Analyses) is a guideline for systematic reviews and meta-analyses of evaluations of health care interventions – published in 2008.
- The PRISMA Statement consists of a 27-item checklist and a four-phase flow diagram.
- The PRISMA Statement was developed by a group of 29 review authors, methodologists, clinicians, medical editors, and consumers.



Less detailed PRISMA



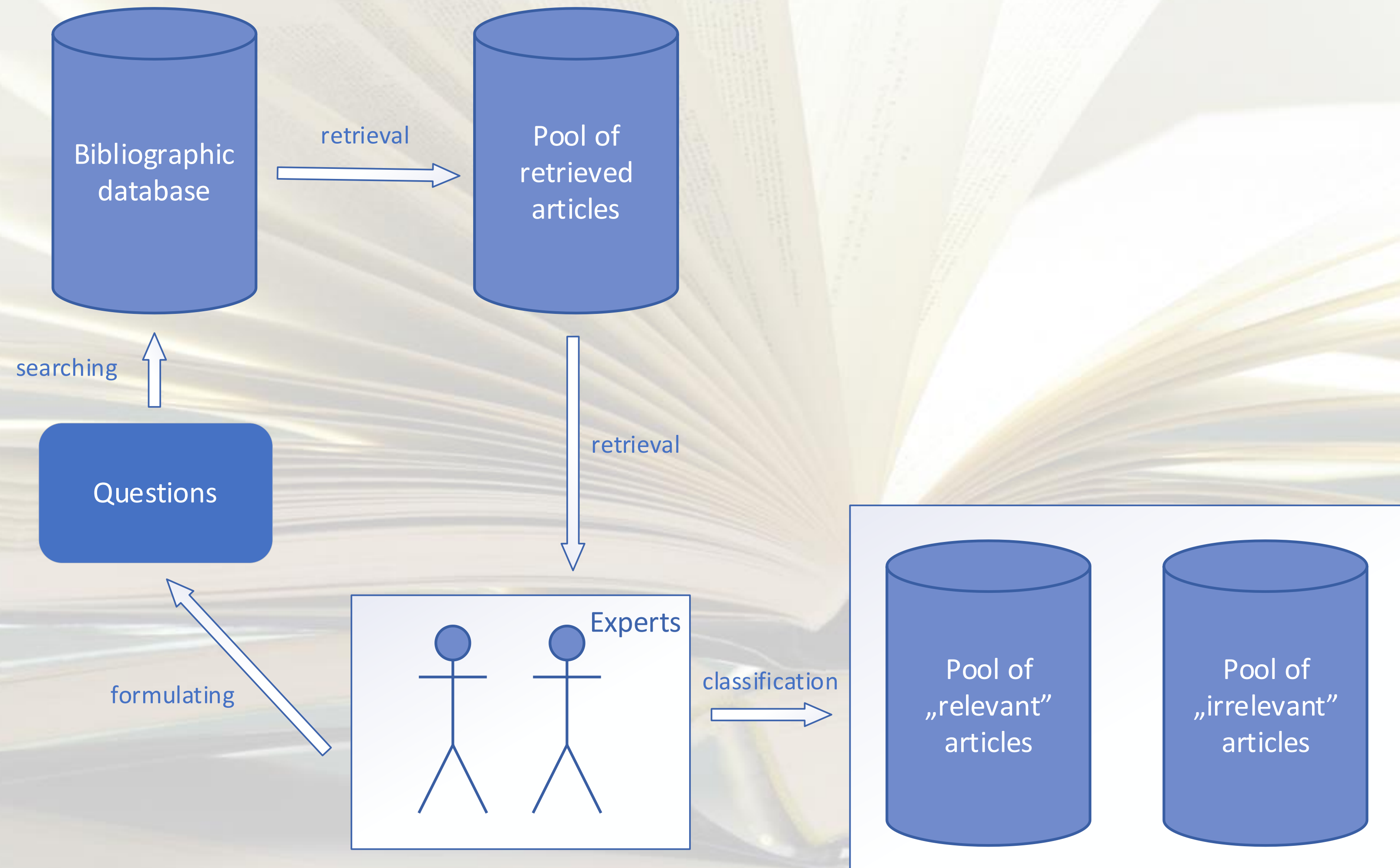
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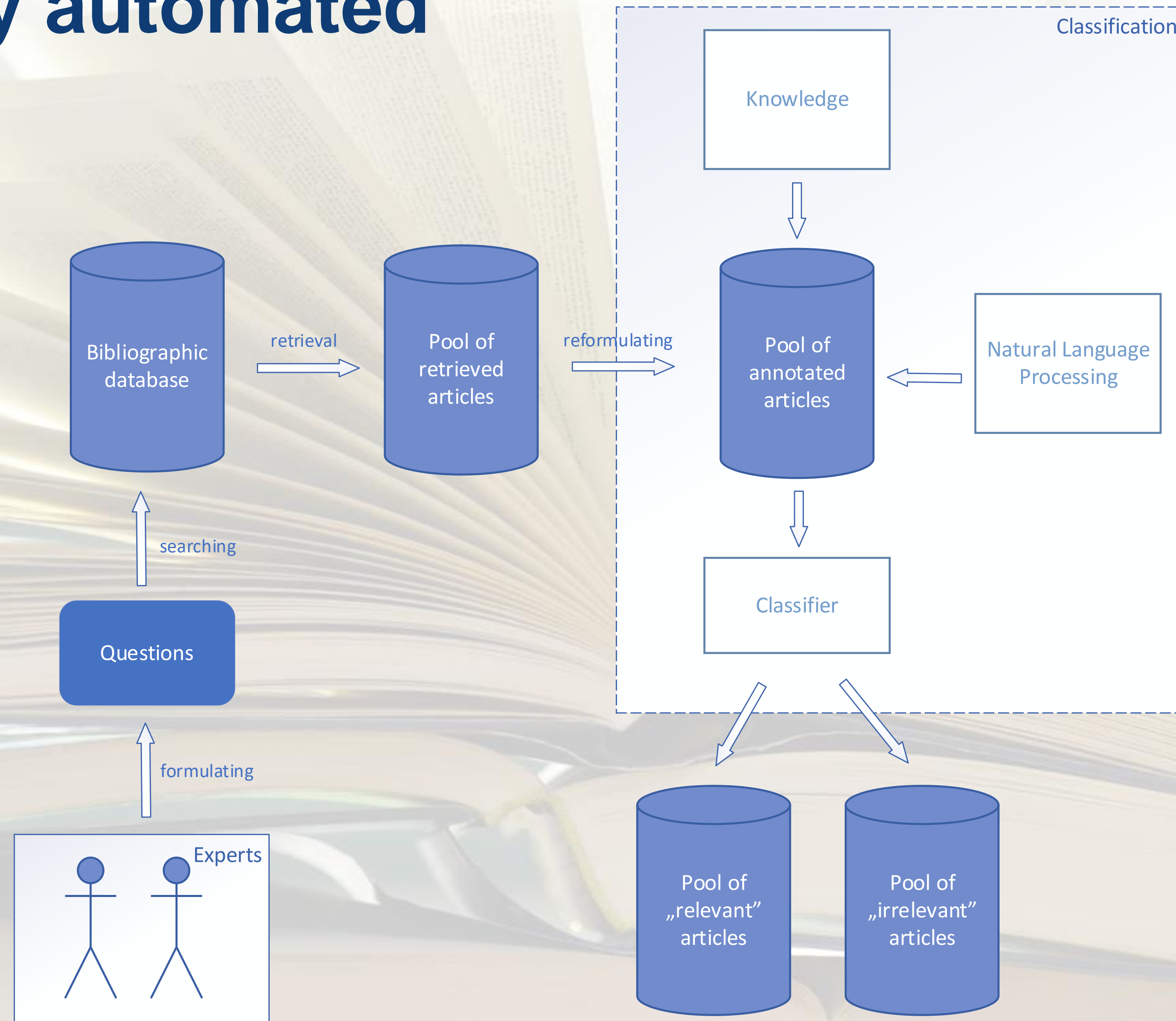
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SLR, manual screening process



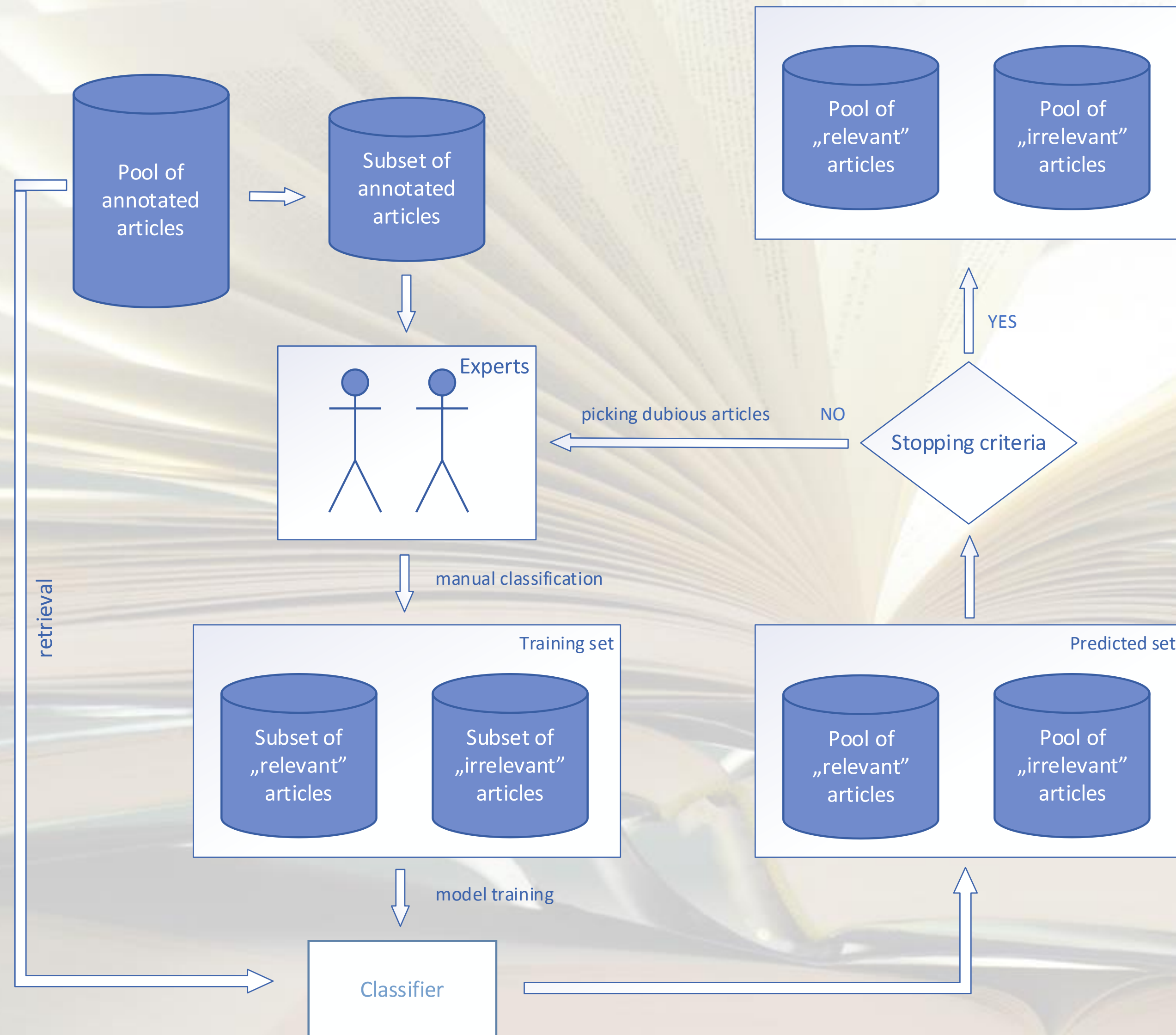
SLR – fully automated process



How to build a classifier?



SLR, how to use experts to build classifiers



The pipeline of ML modules



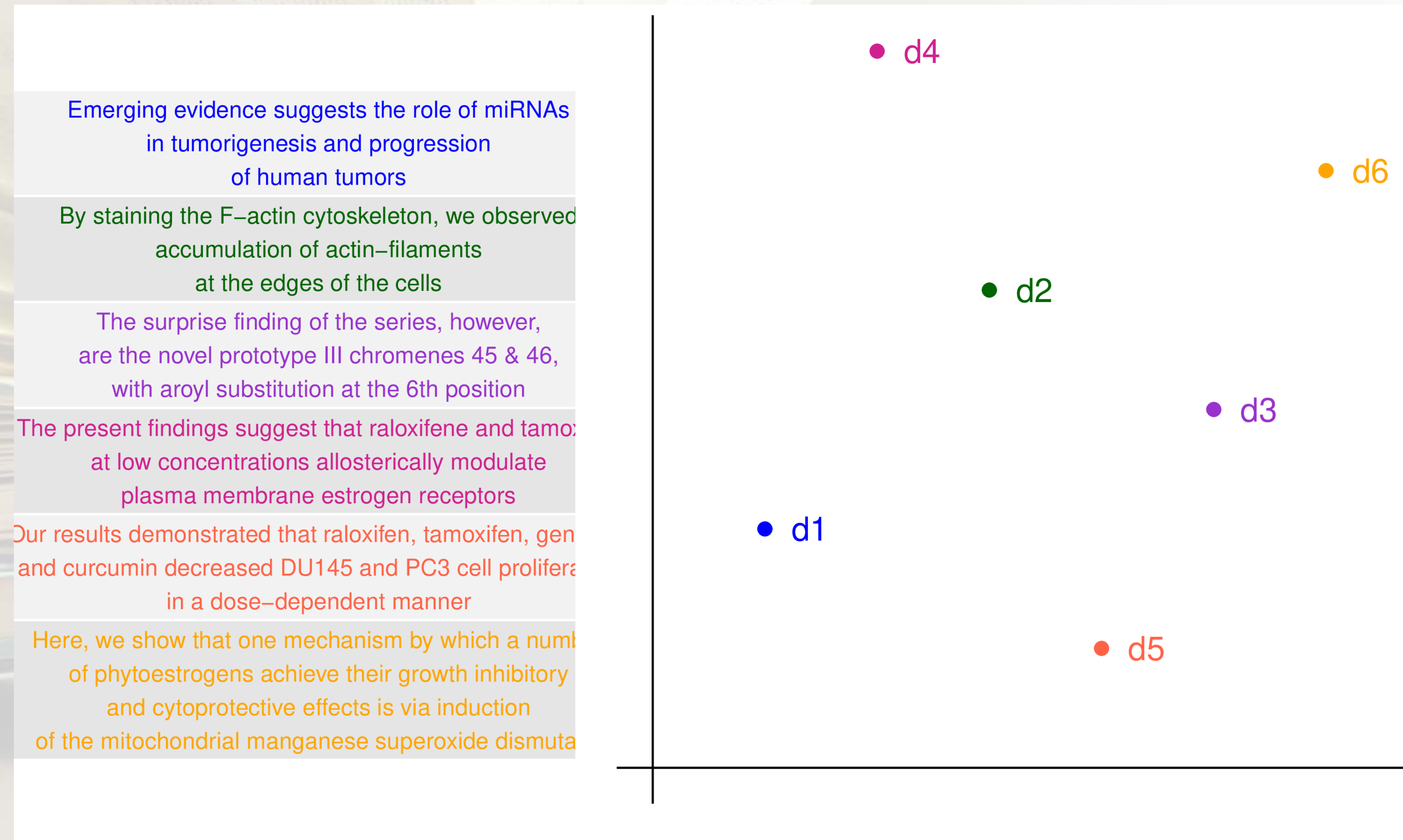
- communication by Kafka and REST APIs
- after each module execution processed data are stored in database
- all processing are carried out using cloud computing technology

- modules can be substituted by other modules with the same functionatlity
- most modules written in Python, some in Java

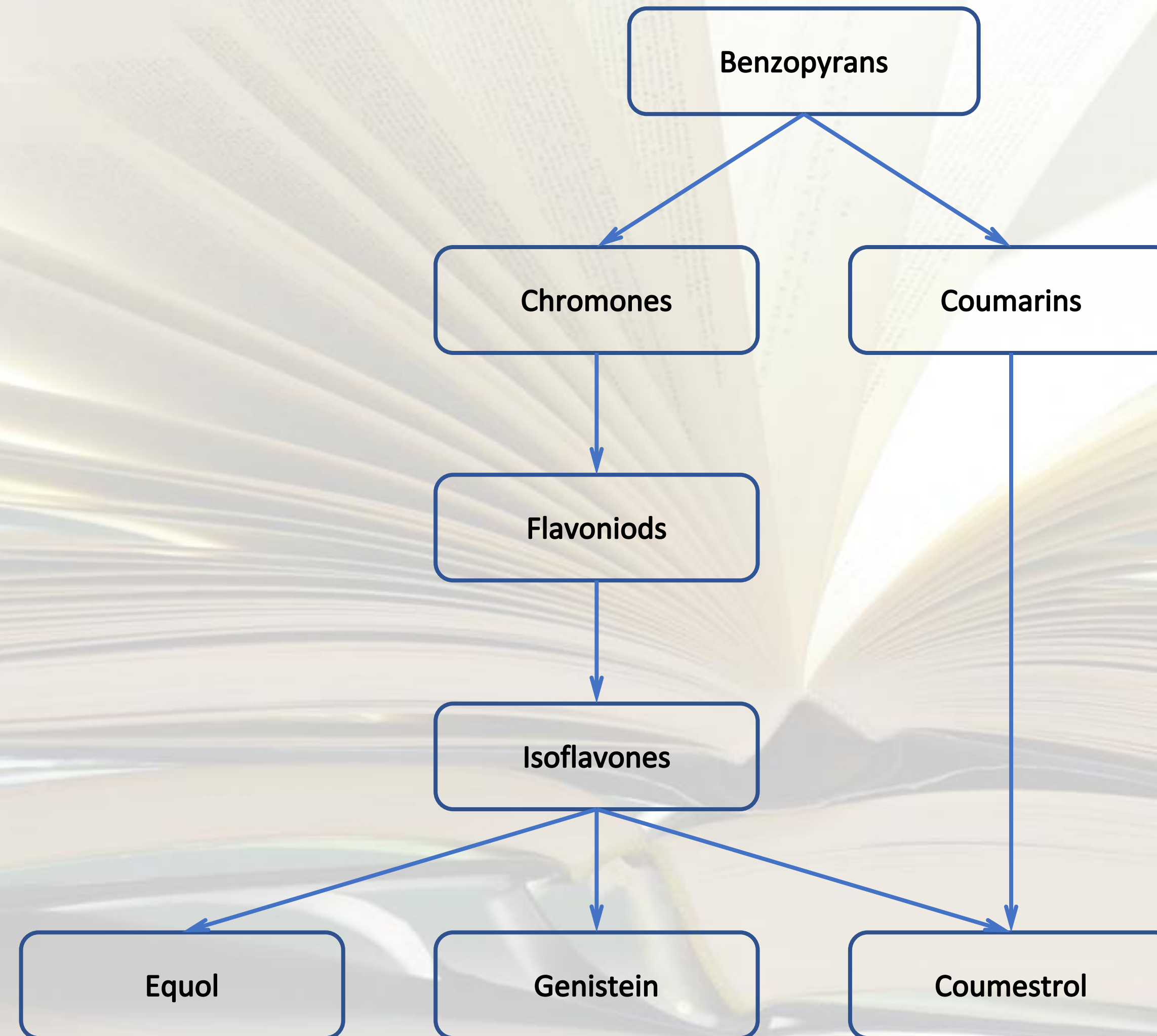


Text Representation

- Documents mapped to vectors in a multidimensional numeric space
- Several approaches investigated:
 - bag of words
 - bag of concepts - annotation based on ontology
 - word or text embeddings – semantic representation based on BioBERT



Bag of Concepts – ontology



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Synonyms	genistein	neoplastic tumor		
Count	11	3		



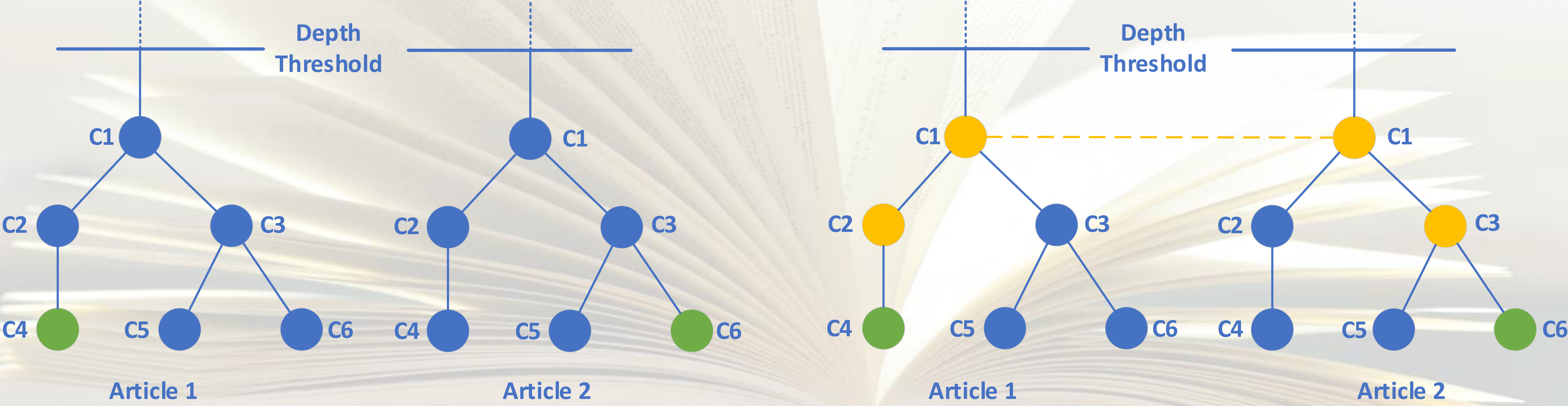
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Synonyms	genistein	neoplastic tumor	ovarian cancer	...
Count	11	3	4	...



Extended Bag of Concepts created with the help of ontology tree



After expansion

11	0	...	3	0	4	0	0	0
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11	0.34	...	3	0.733	4	0.45	0	0
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Seed concept

Expanded concept

Other concept



Semantic text representations

Experiments with annotators based on recently developed NER models based on Deep Learning - Transformers and Long-Short Term Memory Network:

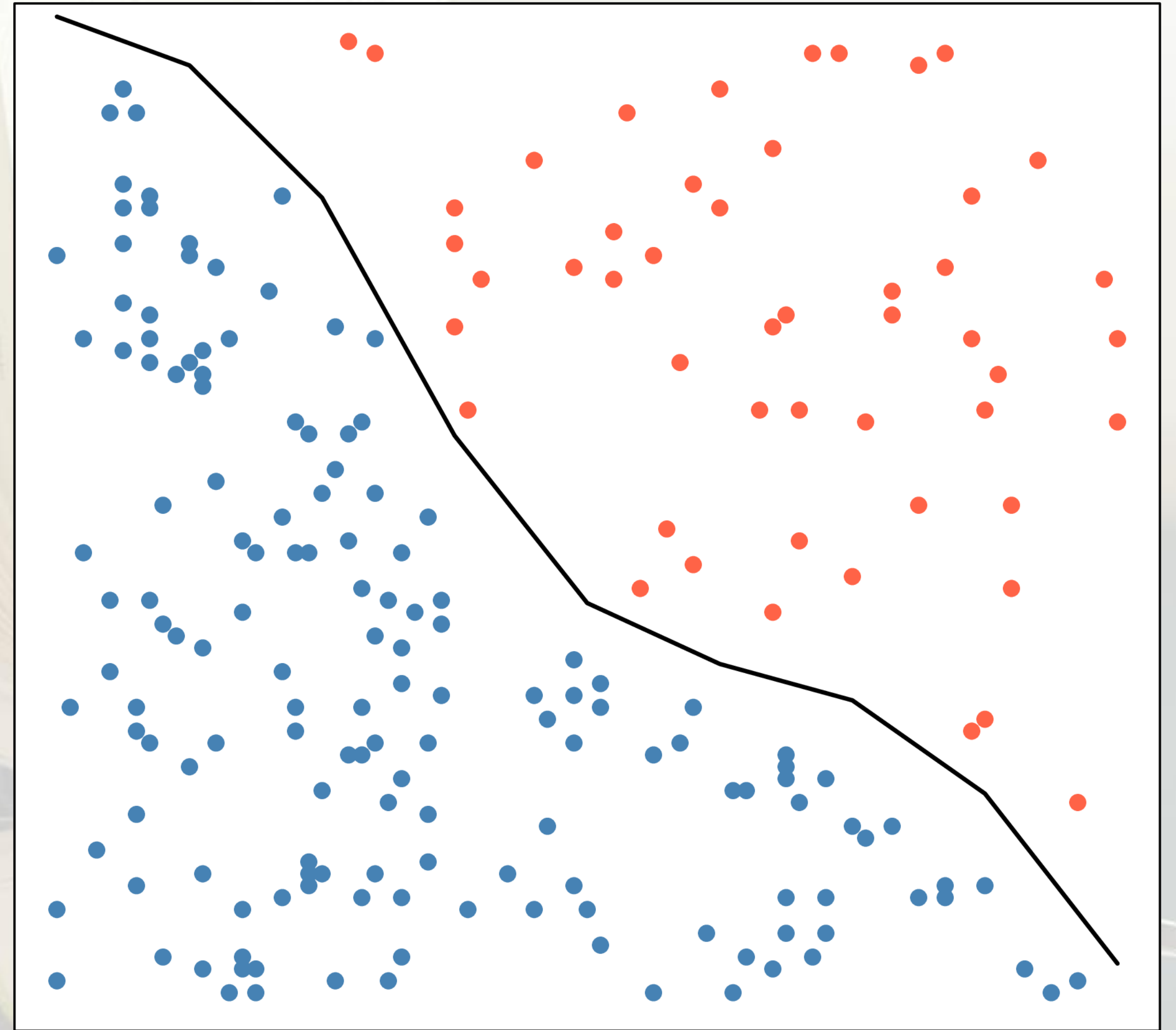
- considerable improvements in accuracy
- require explicit supervised training
- experiments with BioBERT reveal high computing time – currently experiments using GPU (8x NVIDIA A100 40 GB) to transform abstracts to numerical vectors

Recently the beginning of experiments with unsupervised approach to NER - it uses unsupervised machine learning to disambiguate entities.



Classification Models

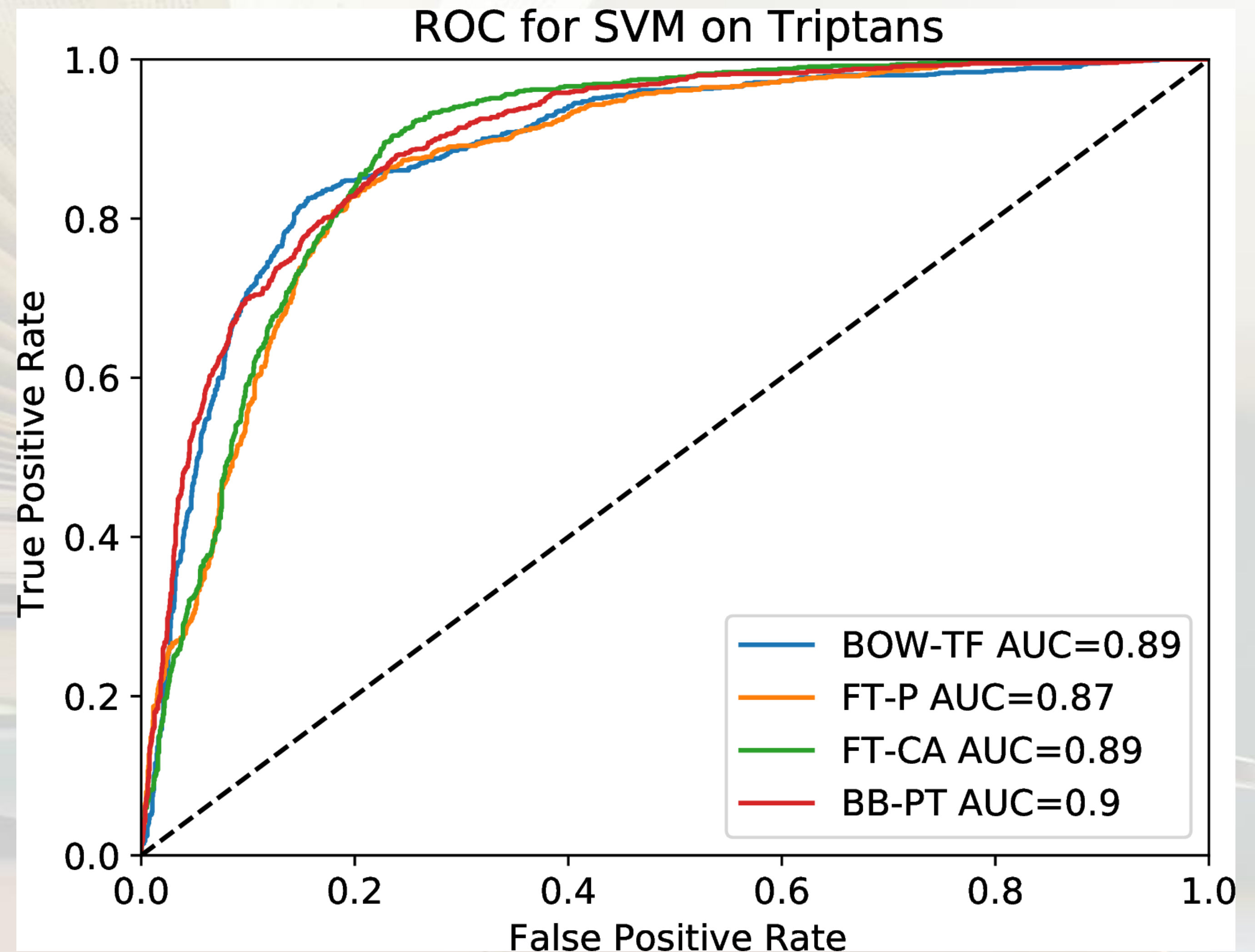
- Trained on documents labeled as relevant or relevant by a human expert
- Representing a decision boundary based on training data generalization
- Providing predictions of:
 - class labels
 - class probabilities
 - decision values (scores)
- Several algorithms investigated:
 - naïve Bayes, logistic regression, SVM, random forest,



Classification Quality

ROC curve – tradeoff between:

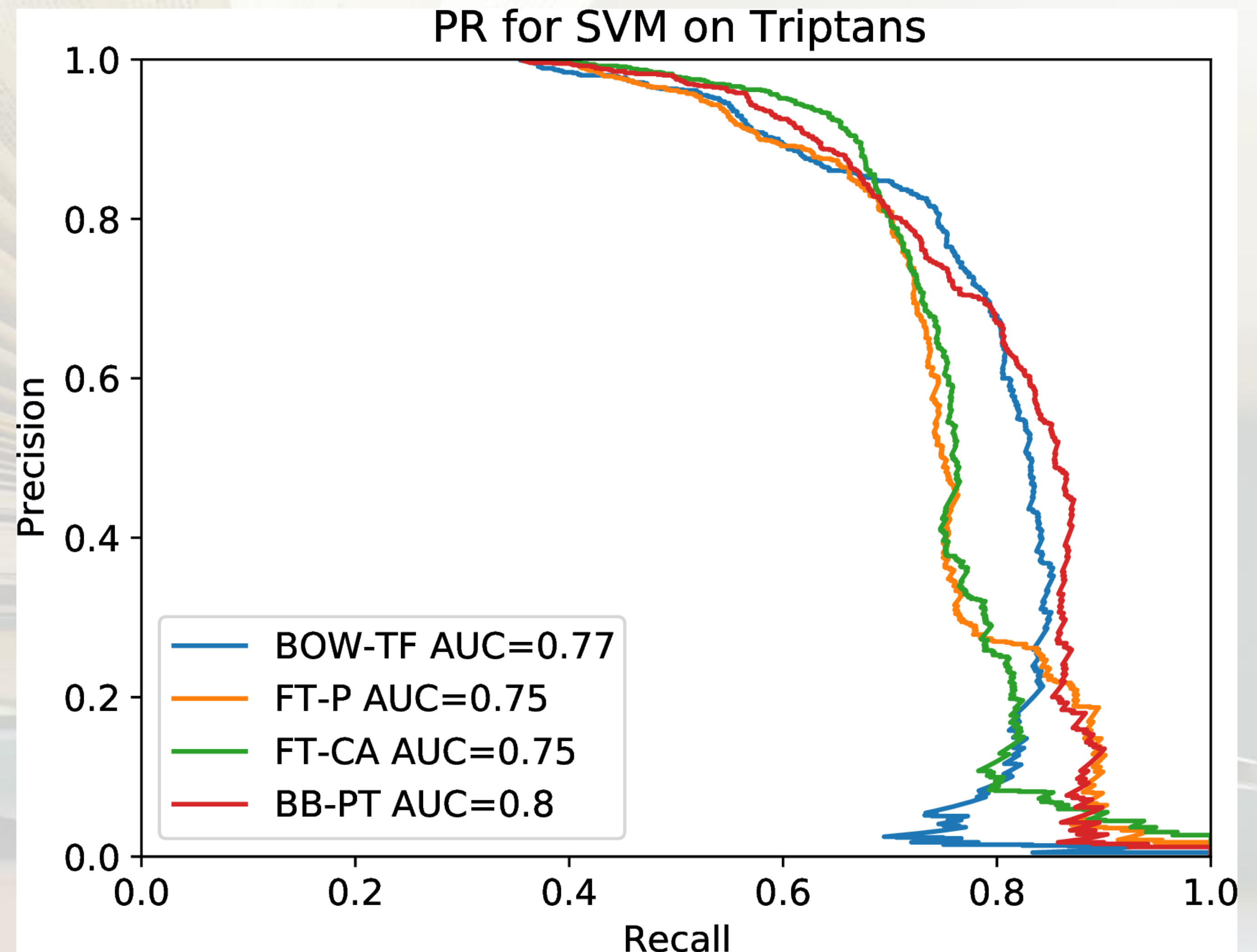
- **true positive rate** – the share of relevant documents correctly classified by the model
- **false positive rate** – the share of irrelevant documents incorrectly classified by the model



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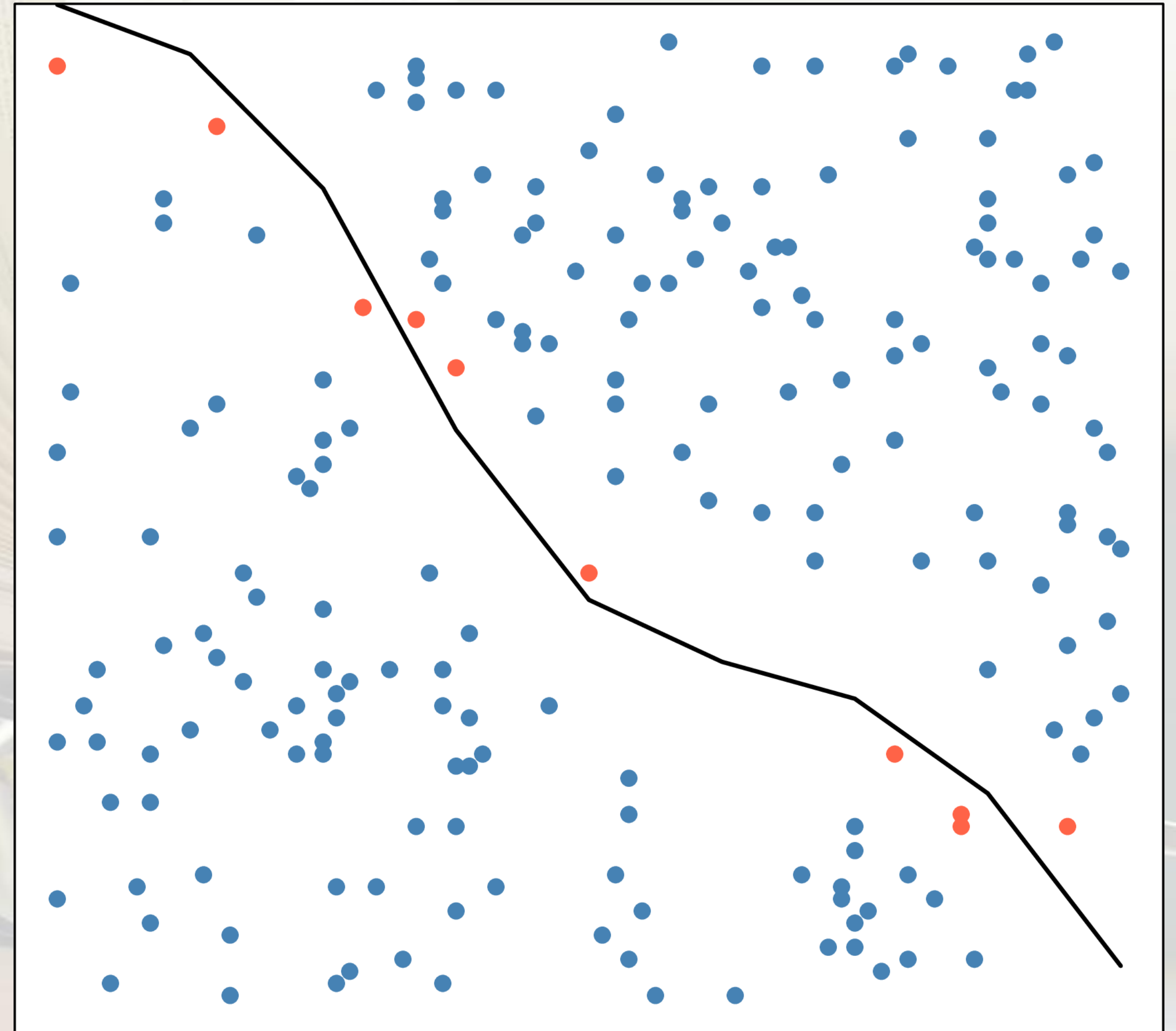
Precision-recall curve –
tradeoff between:

- **precision** – the share of documents classified by the model as relevant that are truly relevant
- **recall** – the share of relevant documents correctly classified by the model



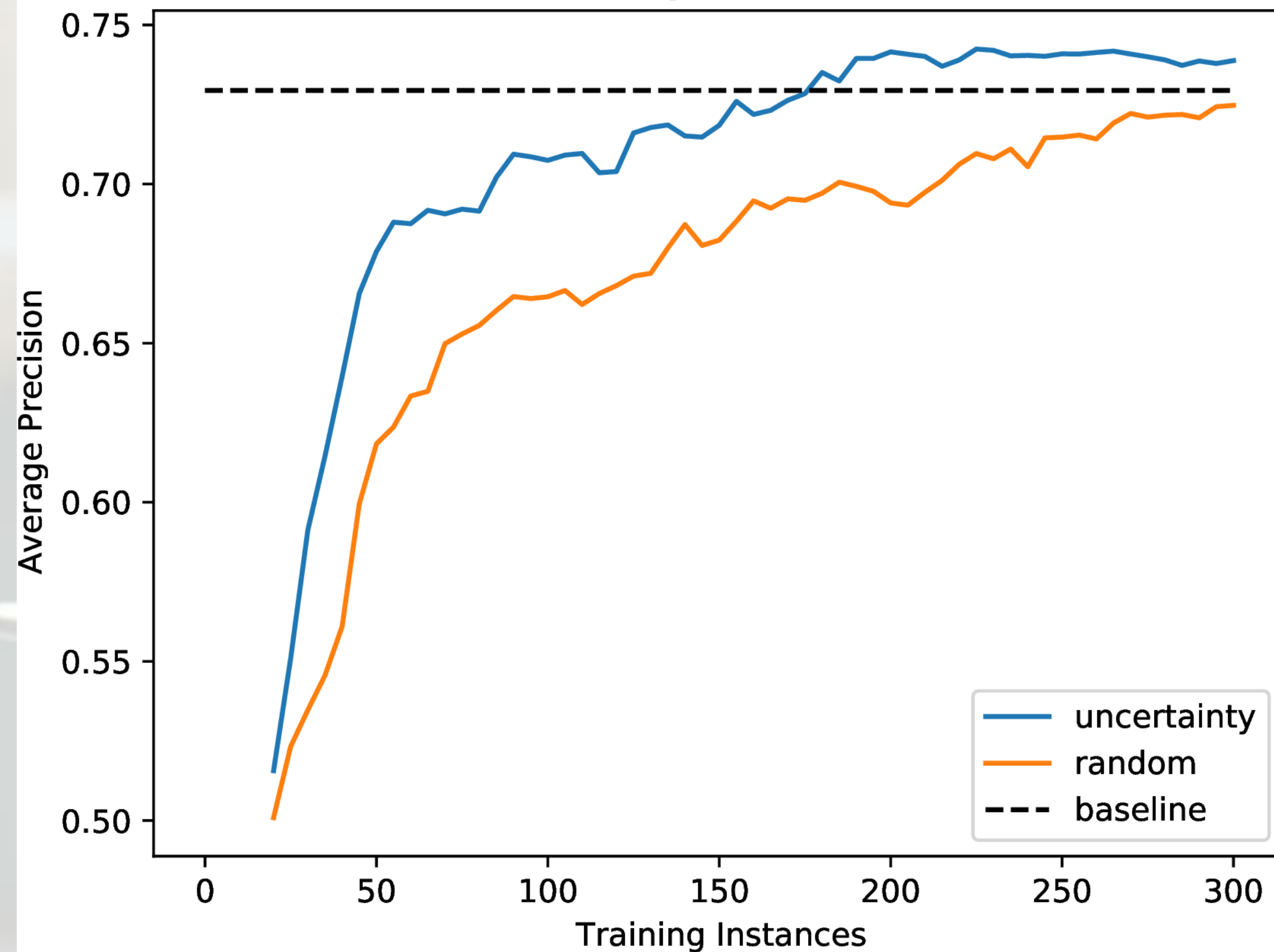
Active Learning

- Reduce human effort needed to provide labeled training data
- **Initialization:** start from a small initial training set and create the first model
- **Querying:** repeatedly request labeling a small number of documents about which the current model is the most unconfident, add them to the training data, and create the next model

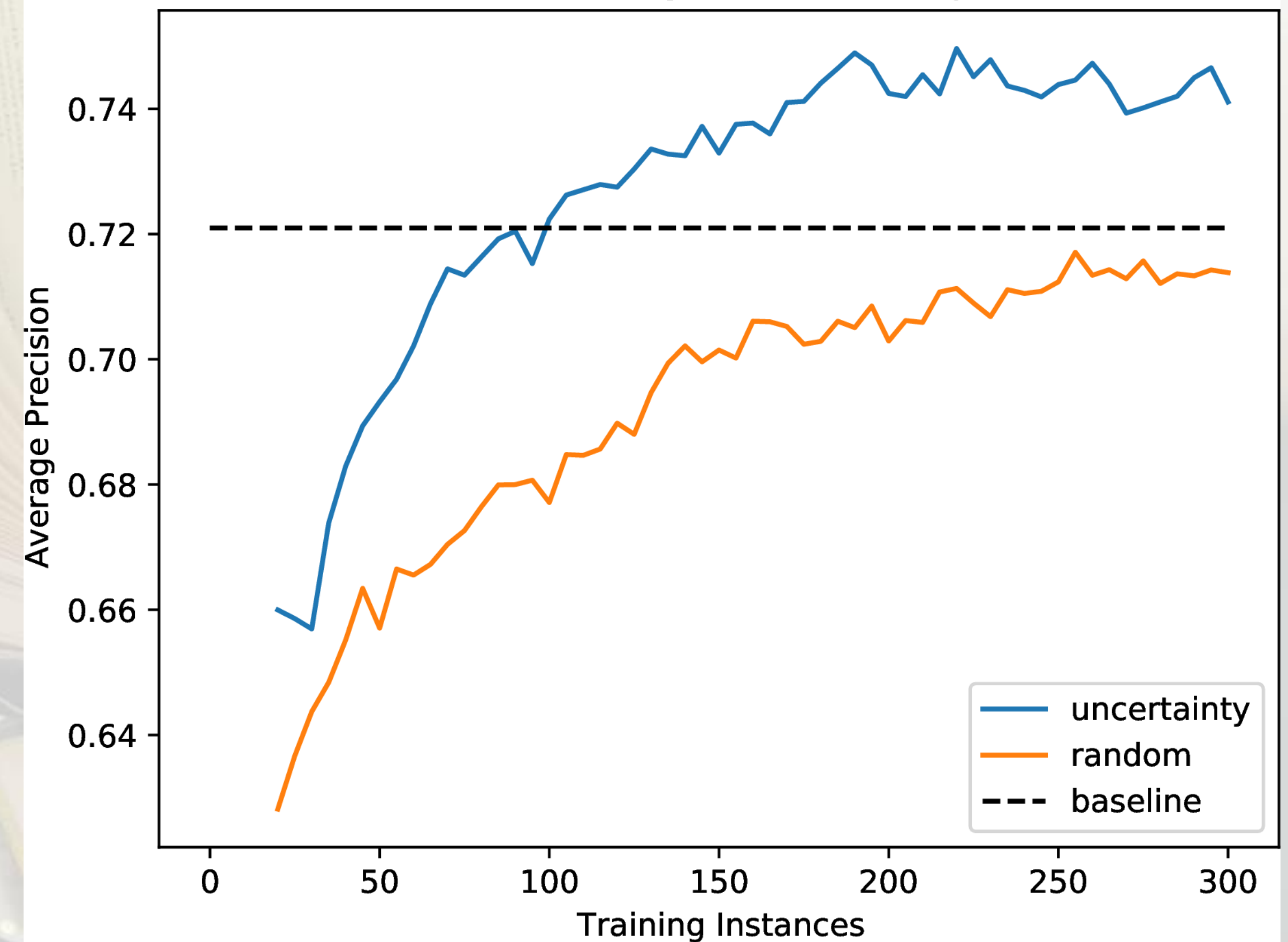


Active Learning

Active Learning Curves for NSAIDS



Active Learning Curves for Triptans



Further Work

- **Research:**

- improving active learning procedure: class imbalance compensation methods; active learning stop criteria
- improving text representation methods
- combining models using different text representations

- **Implementation:**

- improved modules integration
- testing the REFSA application with experts in food safety domain





Thank you!