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Terminologies matter - the case of ICNP and SNOMED-CT
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Terminologies can seem very abstract to end-users. While most health professionals will be familiar with some terminologies (for example MeSH (Medical Subject Headings), the controlled vocabulary thesaurus used for indexing articles for PubMed or ICD-10, WHO’s terminology for disease coding), fewer will be aware of the depth and range of terminologies used in healthcare, nor of the central importance of multi-lingual standard terminologies in health care interoperability. Following a brief introduction to the use of terminologies, the integration of the International Classification for Nursing Practice (ICNP) the Systematized Nomenclature of Medicine - Clinical Terms (SNOMED CT) will be presented, as an example of the use of terminologies, and their ongoing curation, maintenance and development.