# Artificial intelligence & Medical Writing –

Embracing the new era of improved accuracy & efficiencies

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## **Executive summary**



### Global medical writing market size is expanding rapidly

- Current market size is \$3.5B expected to grow to ~\$6B in the next 5 years at a CAGR of 10.5%
- Growth is driven by global rise in R&D and increasing data transparency requirements



### Lack of resources and inefficiencies remain a challenge

- Industry-wide scarcity of skilled medical writers
- Tedious and inefficient writing processes





- All can process and manipulate large amounts of data
- Recent advancements have led to NLP/NLG solutions for data retrieval, structuring and authoring
- Al solutions save up to 80% of the writer's time and tackle human errors



### Industry is steadily adopting the technology

- Handful of companies are developing platform technologies for for QC, data structuring, analysis and generating documents
- Industry partnerships have yielded positive POC results
- Few medical writing companies have also built internal Al capabilities



## Taking the first steps to improve your efficiencies

 A step-wise approach is prudent in identifying the key verticals to integrate technology, identifying the right technology and implementing it.

MP Group with >30 years of industry experience and thorough understanding of medical writing and AI can help catalyze your journey to better efficiencies.





## Global upswing in R&D is accelerating medical writing market growth



### Medical writing market size

- Current market size is \$3.5B, expected to grow to ~\$6B in the next 5 years
- Growth is driven by ~35% rise in global pharma R&D spend and 20% rise in clinical trials in last 5 years



### Market share by type

- **Regulatory writing holds 60%** market share and safety writing, publications, communications and HEOR contribute to the rest
- Increasing clinical trials and regulatory guidelines mandating data transparency will retain majority



## Medical writing companies' segmentation

- 200+ companies in key regions like US, EU and India
- Key categories of companies are full scope CROs, IT service providers and boutique medical writing agencies.

## **Medical writing segmentation**

#### **Pre-clinical**

### **Clinical development**

#### **Post-approval**

### Regulatory writing:

Preclinical study reports, non clinical summaries for CTD, Preclinical sections for IMPD and INDA

### Safety writing:

Preclinical safety reports

### Scientific writing: Manuscripts,

articles

### **Regulatory writing:**

Protocols, SOPs, investigational brochures, patient information leaflets, clinical study reports, clinical overview, integrated summaries of safety and efficacy, risk management plans

#### Safety writing:

Development safety update report, safety narratives

#### **Scientific writing:**

Manuscripts, journal articles, abstracts, posters, presentations

#### **HEOR:**

Health technology assessment, value dossiers, economic models, value messaging

#### **Regulatory writing:**

Post marketing clinical study protocols, reports, consent forms, surveys

#### Safety writing:

Periodic safety reports

#### Medical

#### communication:

Slide decks, newsletters, websites, apps, leave behind literature, clinical trial summary and cards, FAQ documents, fact sheets

Source: MP Analysis, secondary research





## Medical writing processes are subject to inefficiency and limited resources







Scarcity of resources	Uniform & compliance proof authoring	Low productivity
<ul> <li>Universal scarcity of skilled medical writers</li> <li>High attrition rate with employees, on average spending 2.2 years in one</li> </ul>	considering high attrition rate and host of M&A activities	<ul><li>first protocol to CSR to final dossier</li><li>Considerable amount of time is spent in</li></ul>
average, spending 2-3 years in one company	<ul> <li>Changing regulatory documentation guidelines for each country</li> </ul>	correcting the tense, grammar and review of the documents
Employing freelancers has impacted quality of work	<ul> <li>Essential to have error-free processes with the emergence of strict data redaction and anonymization guidelines like EMA Policy 70</li> </ul>	C



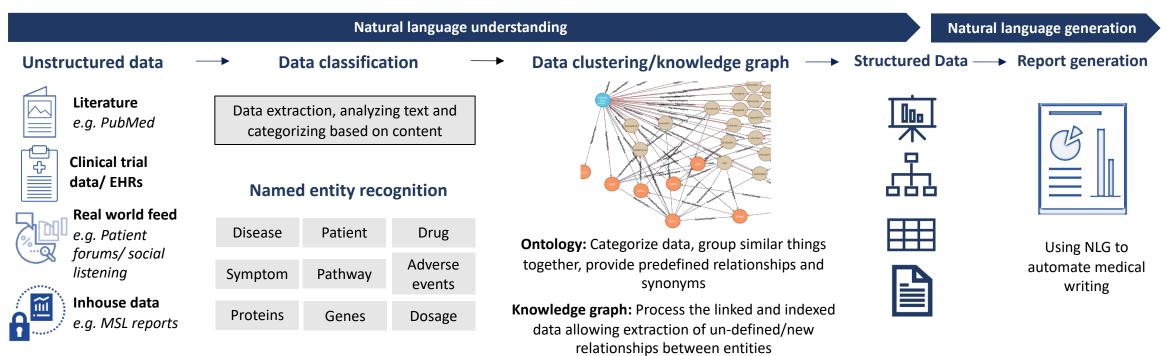


## Using technology to augment medical writing efficiencies

Several companies are now employing Artificial Intelligence solutions like NLP to automate conventional writing processes which are time consuming and tedious.

Natural language processing (NLP) can help auto-create, QC review/proofread or update large numbers of medical documents across R&D, clinical, safety, regulatory, medical, and commercial area.

NLP drives data extraction and data population into structured fields from unstructured/semi-structured sources for data management, QC, data analysis and uses natural language generation for automated report creation.







## Al can save up to 80% of writer's time while facilitating error-free processes







## Increase medical writer's efficiency

Al processes large amounts of data and manipulates valuable information *reducing time* and cost of medical writing.

Traditional approach for CSR writing takes several weeks to generate CSR draft.

Initial 1st Good Final Final draft review draft

AI/NLP solutions can reduce 50-80% time on CSR writing.

Auto initial Review and Final draft draft

# Ensure Uniform & compliant authoring

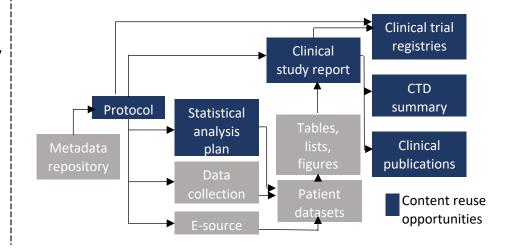
Al applies necessary style and formatting conventions.

Keeps a track of changing regulatory writing guidelines.

Saves >30% of time in quality processes of documents.

## Increase productivity

and Al *automates creation of several repetitive clinical documents* enabling the writers to focus on more valuable scientific analysis.



Source: Trilogy writing & consulting, secondary research





## Advancement of technology – From QC & formatting to automated writing

Templated writing and content tagging tools have been around for several years. However, medical writing industry is now employing more complex solutions for automated extraction, structuring and authoring documents.

### **Increasing complexity and costs**

# Structured content authoring

Templates to streamline authoring

Content tagging
Software solutions to
tag important pieces

of information

# Data structuring tools

Al solutions for data retrieval and structuring

# Automated writing tools

NLG assisted generation of documents

## Future outlook

Powerful analytics and document generation tools

- Easy data retrieval
- Consistent formatting
- Regulatory compliant documents
- Spot basic errors
- Assist with data anonymization
- Assist with creation of tables and lists

- Automated data extraction
- Data anonymization
- Insights and analysis
- Automated creation of tables, lists and figures
- Automated QC

- Automated generation of clinical study reports, patient safety narratives, publications, etc.
- Compiling of eCTD

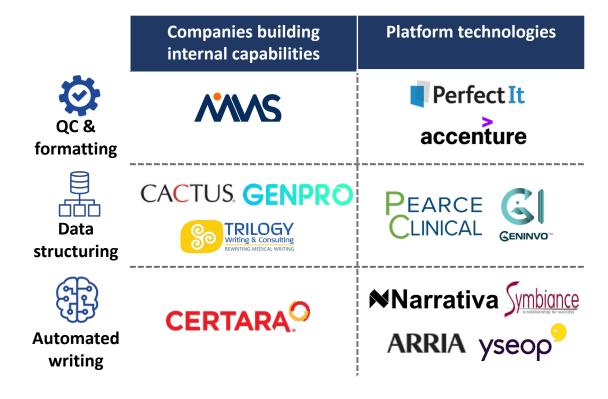
- Automated creation of several document types based on input
- · Minimal writer intervention
- Successful early studies will drive technology adoption by smaller CRO's and writing agencies
- Technology to become essential for competitiveness in the market



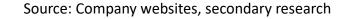


## Pilot studies with automation tools have shown reduction in time and cost

Pharma companies, CRO's and medical writing agencies are taking a 2-pronged approach — developing internal automation capabilities and partnering with companies that have automation platforms. Successful pilot studies are driving adoption of such technologies.



Partnering activity		
SANOFI 🧳	Partnered with <b>Yseop</b> to automate CSR generation leading to 30% reduction in writing time.	
synchrogenix  A CERTARA COMPANY	Acquired <i>Clingenuity</i> for their AI assisted writing and redaction tools.	
Pfizer	Collaborated with <i>Indegene</i> for their AI and NLP tools for structured content authoring.	
CACTUS.	Acquired <i>Mind the Graph</i> for their AI tools to create illustrations for posters, infographics, graphical abstracts and slide presentations.	

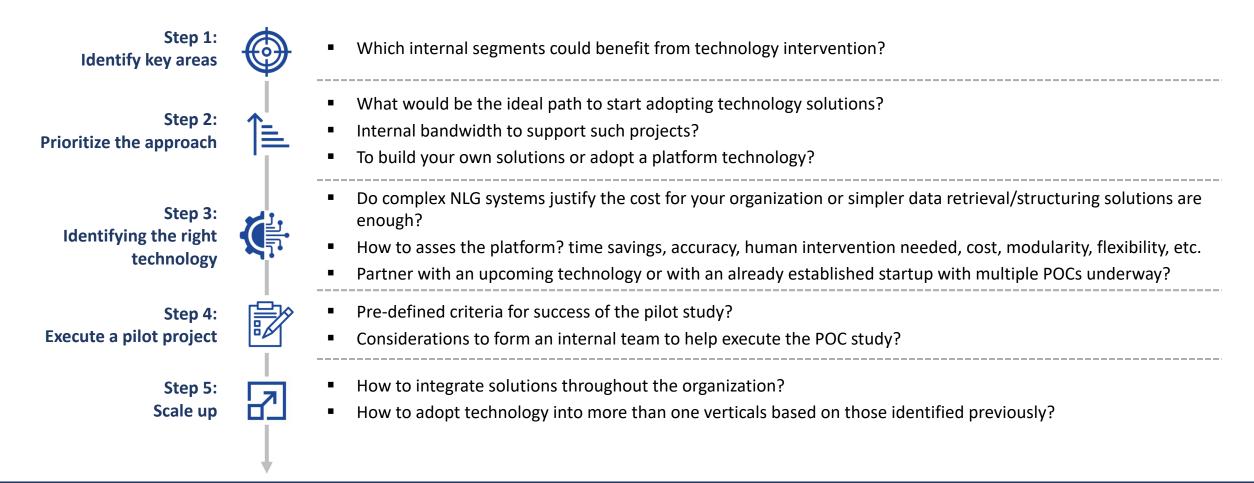






## A step-wise approach for adopting medical writing tools

Identifying the right technology is prudent while keeping the end goal in mind. Smaller projects like automating QC/formatting or redaction would serve as a low energy barrier to gain a first-hand experience.







## How can MP Group help catalyze your AI journey?

- NLP has already revolutionized industries like travel, marketing etc., and is at the tipping point to transform pharma/life-sciences
- Reinforcement learning, NLU and NLG, that allow intelligent data extraction, data analysis and content generation are driving advancements rapidly
- It is prudent to take a step wise approach in adopting AI for medical writing based on your internal requirements
- MP team with it's >30 years of global experience and deep understanding of the medical writing and AI space can help catalyze your
  journey to better efficiencies
- MP group can help with
  - Internal assessment of areas where technology can be implemented
  - Identifying the right technology and prioritizing your approach
  - Strategizing a POC study with definitive criteria to assess the results in a robust manner
  - Strategizing the implementation and scale up across the organization





## THANK YOU.

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