

OpenGALEN Common Reference Model Release 8

OWL Translations

(see <http://www.opengalen.org/sources/sources.html>)

Unlike the preceding releases of *OpenGALEN* Common Reference Models versions 2 through 7, two different OWL translations of *OpenGALEN* CRM release 8 are provided:

The entire ontology as a single OWL ontology file:

[OpenGALEN8_CRM+Diseases+SurgicalProcedures+DrugOntology.owl](#)

The same content distributed across a (recursively nested) series of 83 OWL ontology components:

[OpenGALEN8_FULLL.owl](#)

It is hoped that this partial componentisation may provide DL reasoner researchers with a means to construct suitable customised reasoning challenges over and above the obvious 'compile everything' approach. It may also highlight some of the requirements and challenges for DL tool builders with respect to managing large ontologies as components; an OWL tooling solution capable of recreating and managing the original Model Source Unit hierarchy would be a particularly interesting prospect.

The componentised release of *OpenGALEN* Release 8 comprises four major components:

1. The *OpenGALEN* Common Reference Model (CRM) version 8 - [OpenGALEN8_CRM.owl](#)
2. The Diseases Extension - [OpenGALEN8_DissectionsDisease.owl](#)
3. The Surgical Procedures Extension - [OpenGALEN8_DissectionsSurgicalProcedure.owl](#)
4. The Drug Ontology Extension - [OpenGALEN8_DissectionsDrugOntology.owl](#)

OpenGALEN Common Reference Model (CRM) version 8

CRM v8 is very similar in content and scope to *OpenGALEN* Release 7, and is the direct descendent of all preceding releases from *OpenGALEN* Release 2.

The stub ontology [OpenGALEN8_CRM.owl](#) uses the `<owl:imports>` construct to import the various components of the CRM itself as further stub ontologies (the generic top ontology, the medical foundation model and the medical domain extensions) each of which, in turn, import their major subcomponents.

Note that this componentisation of the CRM allows for simple removal of the property chain axiom element of *OpenGALEN* 8: in [OpenGALEN8_GenericModel.owl](#), simply delete the following line:

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<owl:imports><owl:Ontology rdf:about="OpenGALEN8_GenericModel_PropertyChainAxioms.owl"/></owl:imports>
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OpenGALEN Model version 8 - Dissection Extensions

The three Dissection Extensions are previously unreleased content, comprising a significant corpus that sits on top of the CRM and for which the CRM was originally created. They may be loaded and reasoned over either individually (but as extensions to the CRM) or all together. The Diseases and Surgical Procedures extensions comprise exclusively of further defined entities and associated annotations; there are no further existential restrictions. The drug ontology is larger and more complex: it also includes many additional existential restrictions.

The 'stub' ontology [OpenGALEN8_FULL.owl](#) imports all three Dissection Extensions as further discrete stub ontologies. Each of these then additionally imports the Dissections Model (a required small additional ontology which also imports the Common Reference Model via the [OpenGALEN8_CRM.owl](#) stub ontology), and its own subcomponent ontologies.

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