The M@dNotes Project
Giving colour to Grey Literature in General Practice.
A collaborative GPs knowledge network
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The M@dNotes Project
https://notaslocasmadnotes.wordpress.com/

• Mad Notes is a collaborative, volunteer and non-profit international, industry- independent network.
• We promote a space of critical thinking and collective creation for open-minded general practitioners and primary care workers.
• The project proposes a methodology for registering, sharing and preserving scientific production from the field of GP/FCM activity.
• A system to share monographies, qualitative research reports, scientific reports, searches of materials, bibliographic references and resources or materials oriented to research or teaching purposes, using Google Drive facilities and a Wordpress blog
• An editorial committee ensures the quality of the published material and reaches the consent of the authors
• A web blog provides tools to find documents: using categories to index subjects and tags associated to codification

Metadata and codification tools
• Indexing of the citations is done by the Core Content Classification of General Practice/Family Medicine (3CGP), a mix of the International Classification of Primary Care (ICPC-2) for clinical items and Q-Codes, a new contextual classification in GP/FM and PHC for professional items: see http://3cgp.docpatient.net/
• Each code is linked to 3CGP available in the HeTOP database (see www.hetop.eu)

Results
• Collaborator of the network can send their sources to: notaslocasmadnotes@gmail.com
• The list of analysed material is available on Google Drive: https://tinyurl.com/Fichas-Compartidas
• Each analysis is edited on the wordpress blog; https://notaslocasmadnotes.wordpress.com/

Grey Literature and its relevance in General practice
Access to scientific literature it is really changing since we have global democratization of knowledge. (Open Access movement)
Sharing the results of research and scientific production is crucial for the survival and development of all disciplines.
Knowledge Management (KM) in General practice/ Family Medicine (GP/FM) and Primary Health Care (PHC)
• High complexity by intertwined human and technical approaches
• Content not harmonized. No uniform table of content for both disciplines
• Classification system available only for clinical purposes (International Classification of Primary Care – ICPC-2)
• No existing contextual features classification

Each year, research meetings, virtual conferences, websites, blogs produce an amount of communicable data usually with restricted circulation in local networks or small groups.
The project emerged when verifying that more than 95% of the postgraduate and pregraduate research/reports/ scholar works (monograph) presented as part of the training process was finally lost and unpublished.

Limits
• this work is the beginning of a research in the field of knowledge management in Family Medicine
• an attempt by dedicated volunteers not to miss the knowledge disseminated in the exchanges of family doctors
• with limited means and generic tools
• in a traditionally considered non-scientifically productive branch
• using some promising bibliographic tools
• in need of professionalization