

# Availability of Model Code from Published Computational Physiology Models

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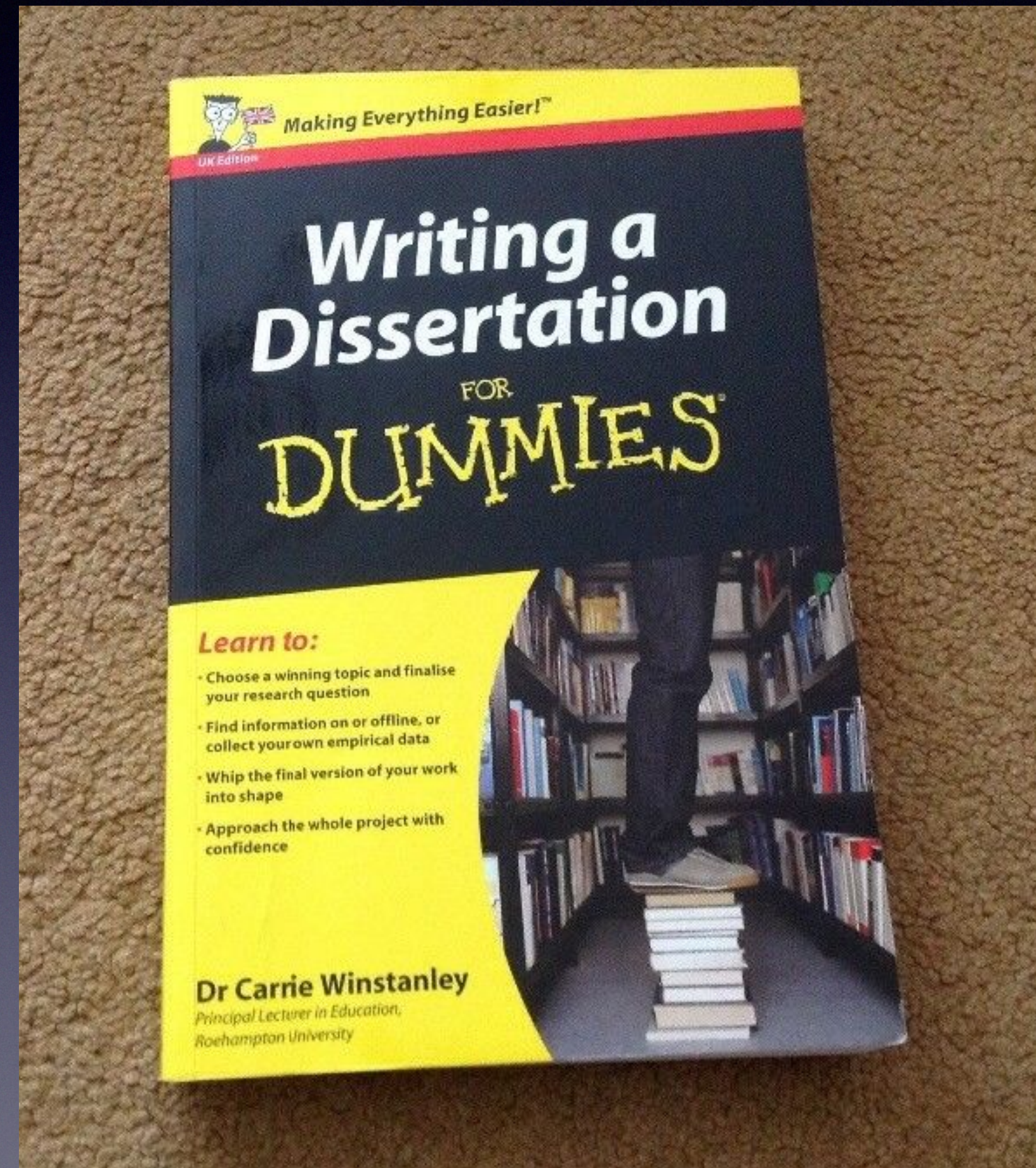
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# Clinical Data + Models

- Abundance of existing clinical data
- Existing computational physiology models
- Using clinical data for patient-specific modeling





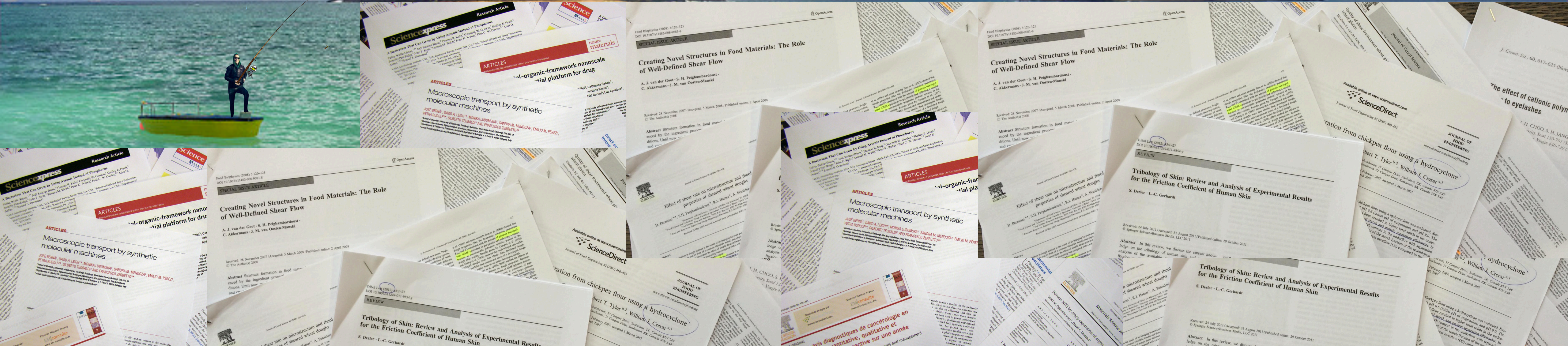
# Curated Model Repositories



- BioModels Database
- Physiome Model Repository
- **But what about model publications in the literature?**









What percentage of model publications  
make model code available?



## Supporting Information

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Dataset\_S3.xml

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  </model>
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```



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# Search

- PubMed
- MeSH terms - "Models, Biological"[MH] AND "Computer Simulation"[MH] AND Humans[Mesh]
- Articles published up to May 11, 2018
- Excluded review articles and meta-analysis



# Results

- Total models retrieved: 6,909
- Excluded:
  - Non-computational models (e.g., simple mannequin)
  - Studies using previously published models
  - Statistical models without biological mechanism
  - Image/signal processing models



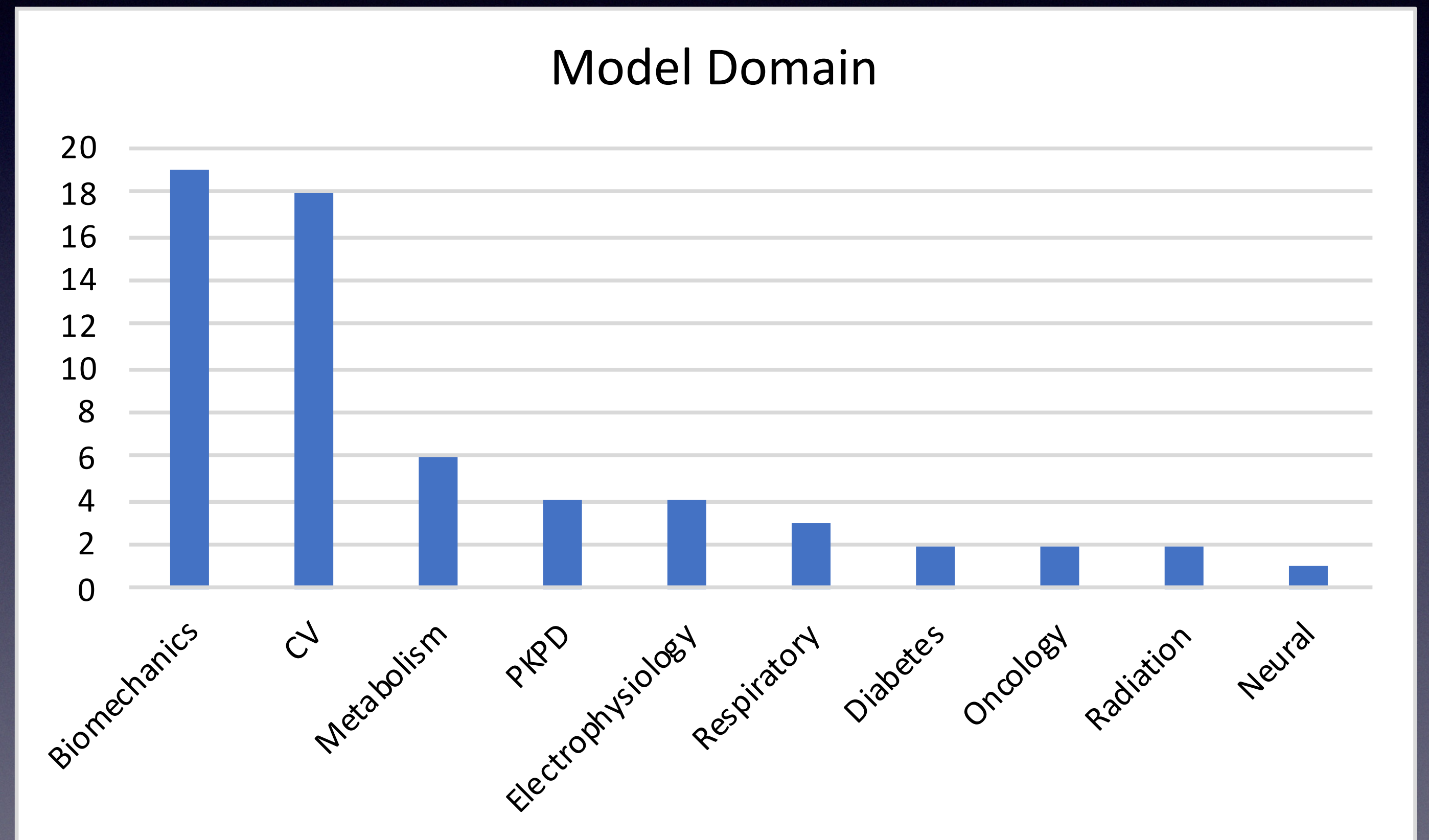
# Results

- Sampled for analysis: 50
  - Biological domain
  - Modeling paradigm
  - Modeling language
  - Model code availability



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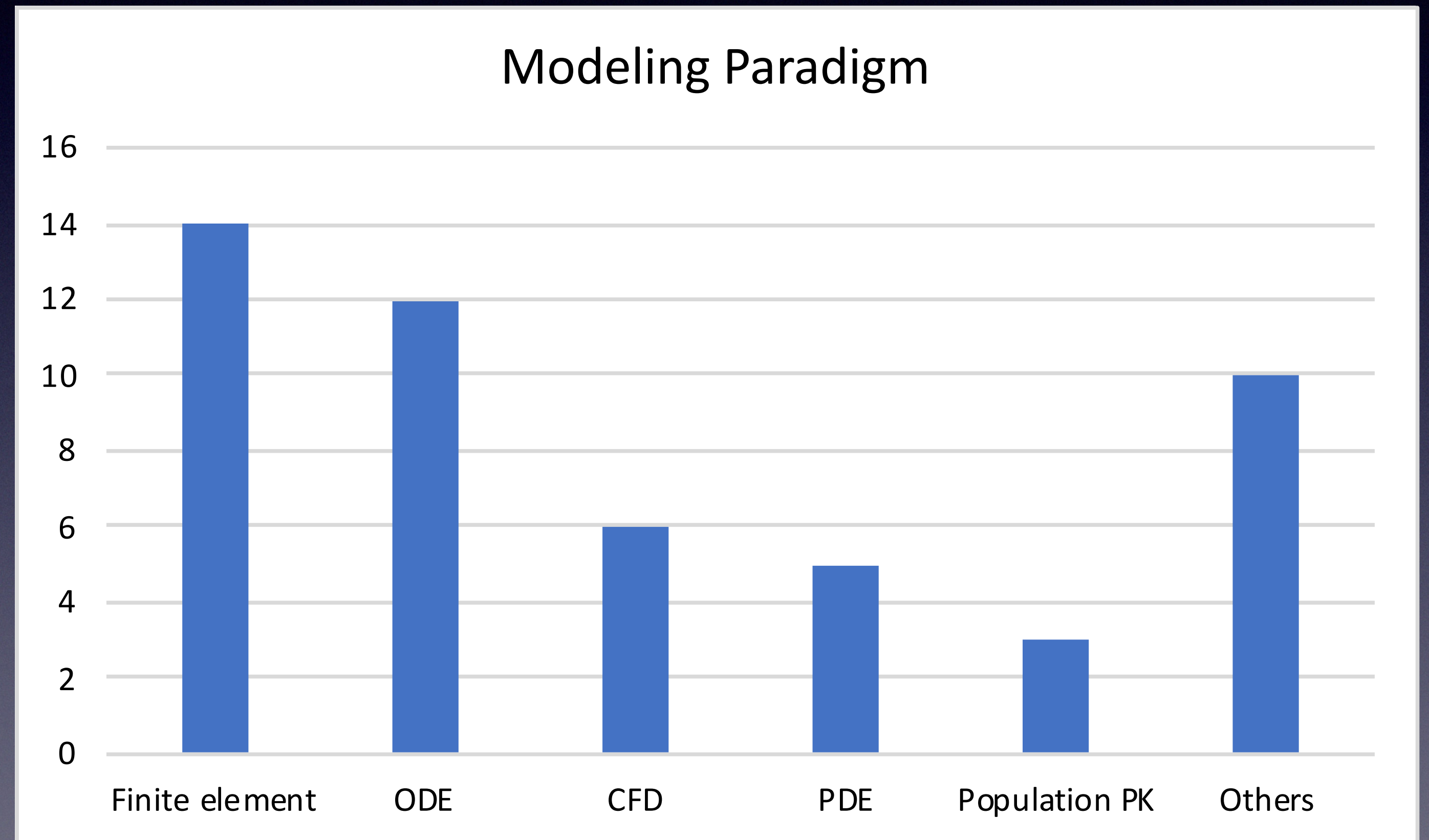
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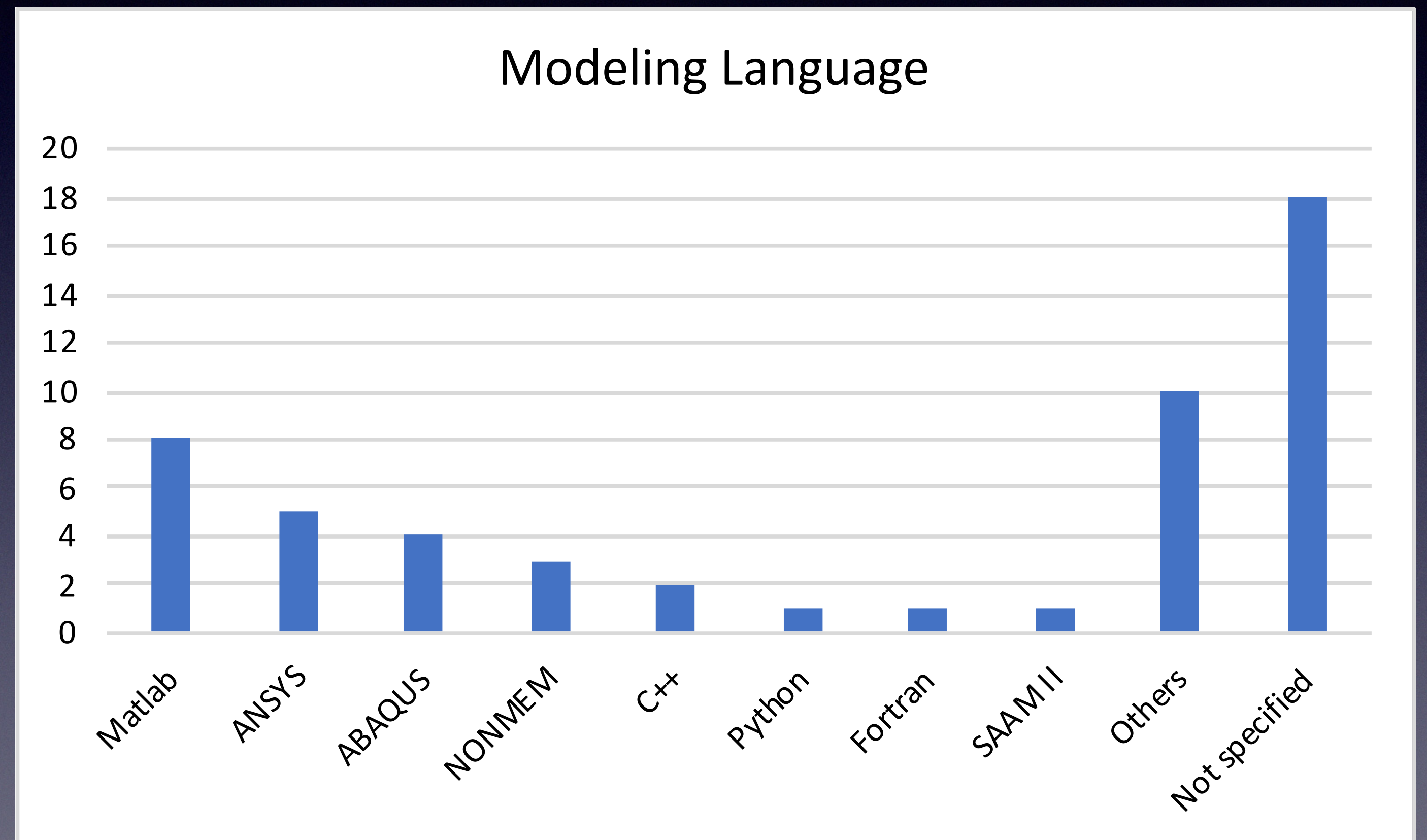
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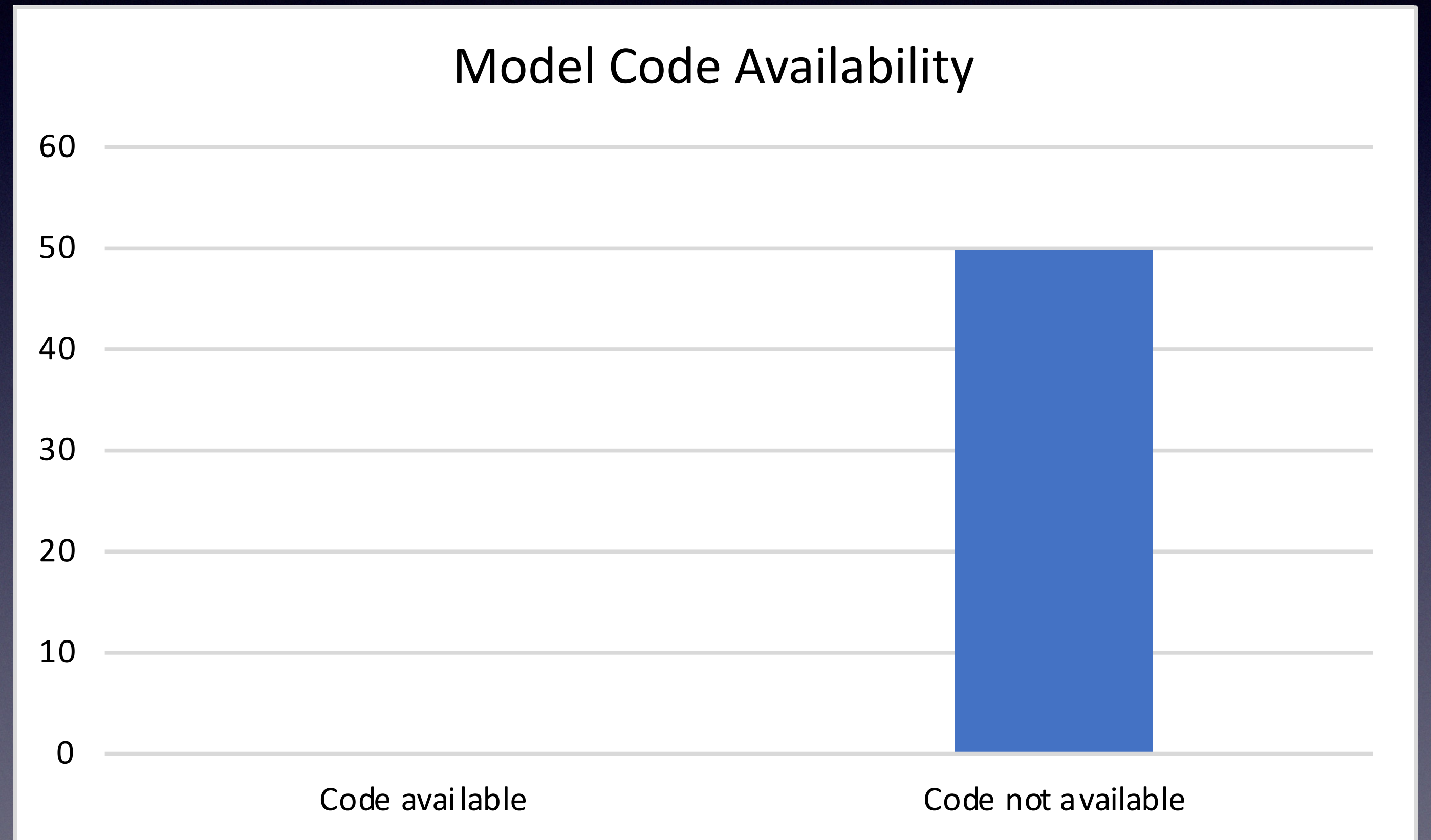
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# Search - Cardiovascular

- PubMed
- MeSH terms - "**Models, Cardiovascular**"[MH] AND "Computer Simulation"[MH] AND Humans[Mesh]
- Articles published up to May 4, 2018
- Excluded review articles and meta-analysis



# Results - Cardiovascular

- Total models retrieved: 1,111
- Excluded:
  - Non-computational models
  - Studies using previously published models
  - Statistical models without biological mechanism
  - Image/signal processing models



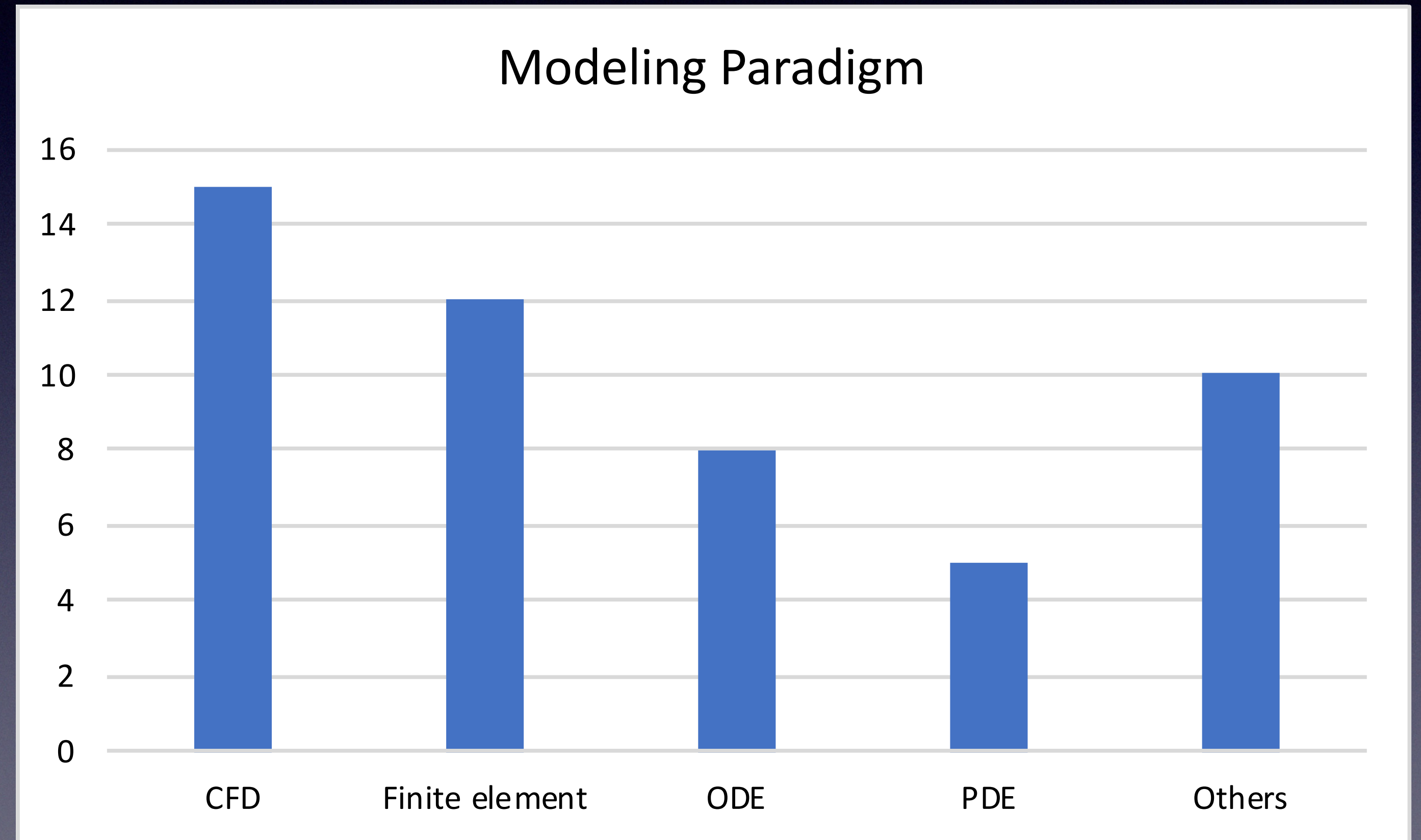
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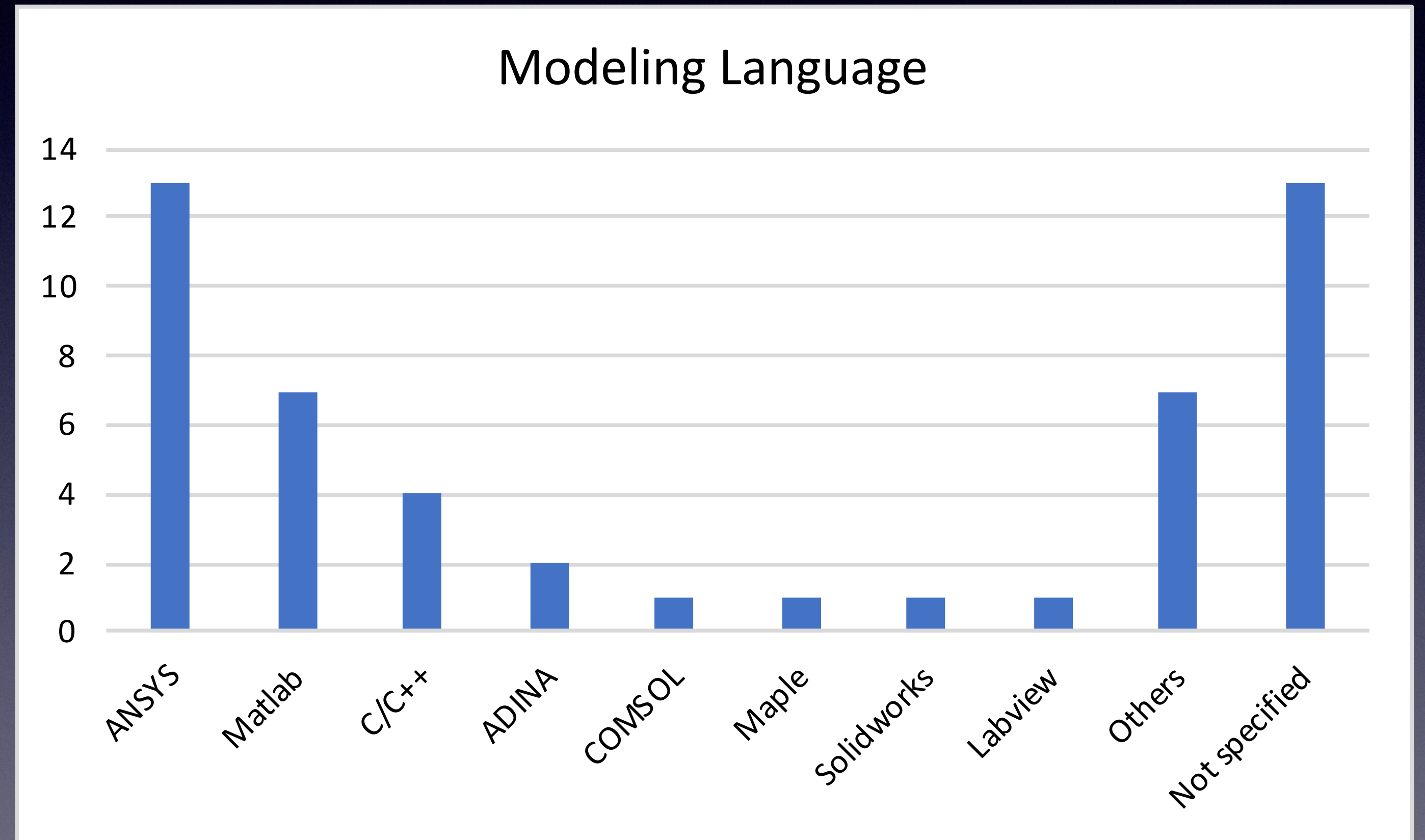
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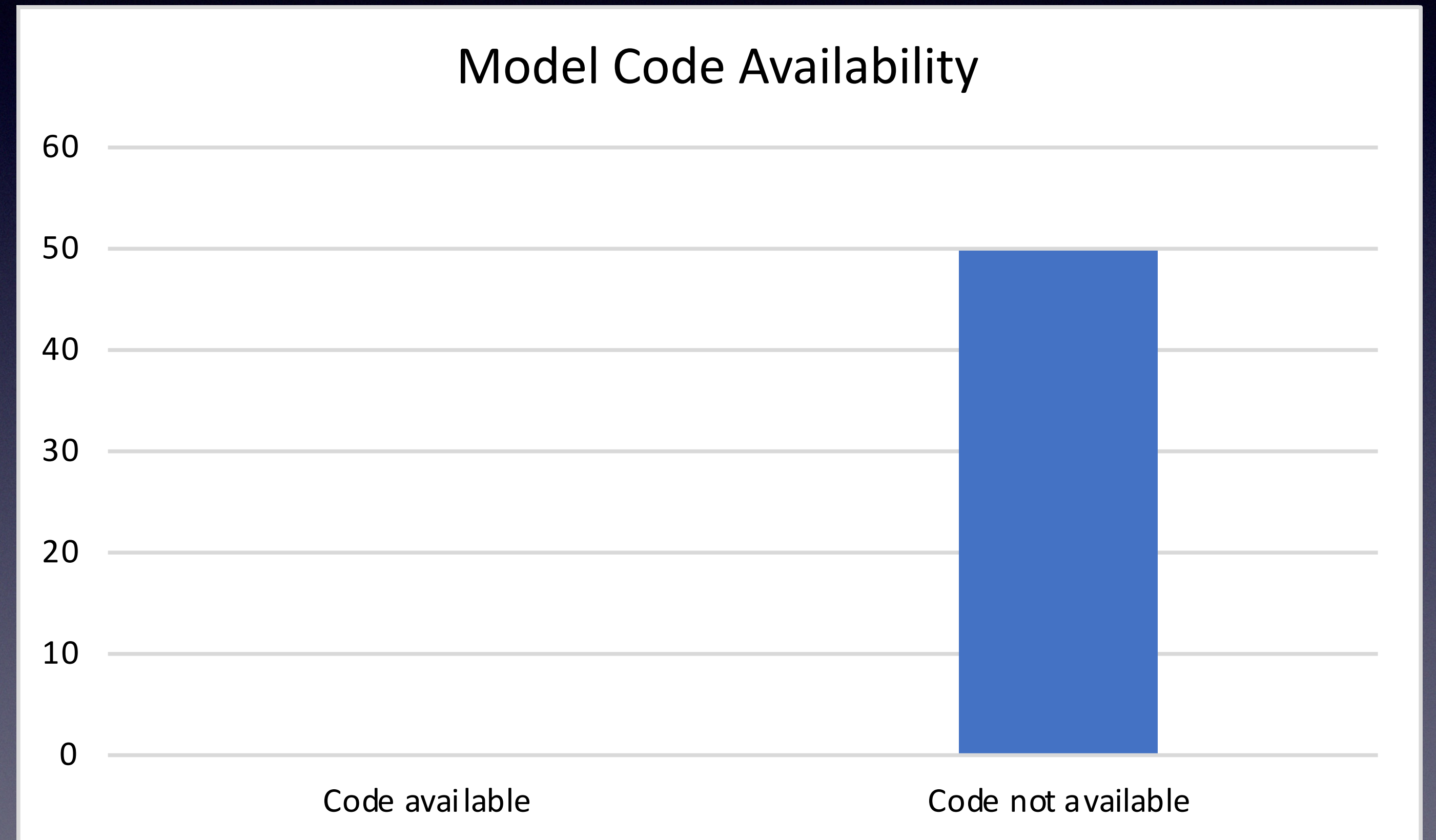
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# Results - Cardiovascular

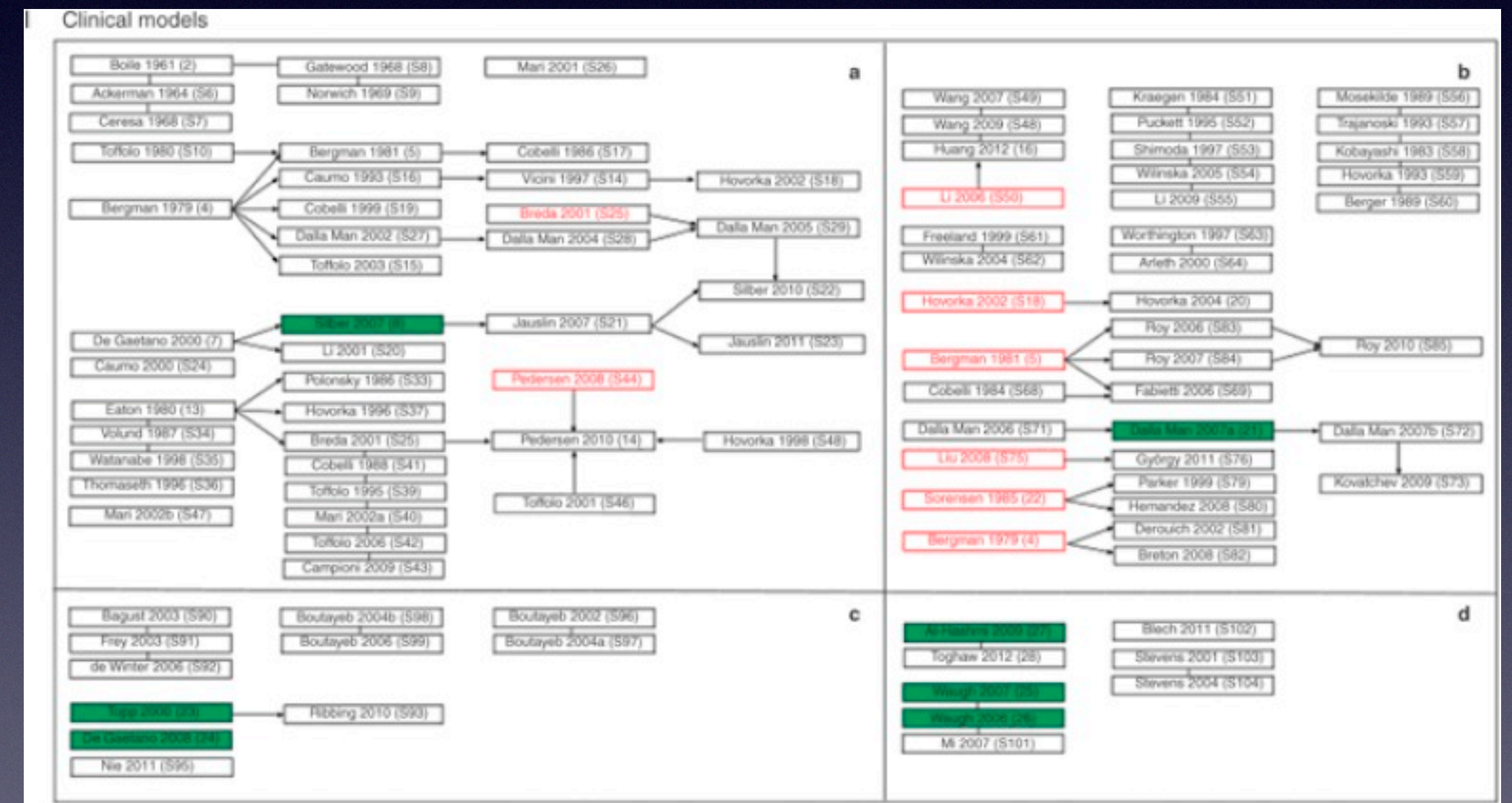
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# Search - Diabetes

- *The impact of mathematical modeling on the understanding of diabetes and related complications* by Ajmera, et al. 2013
- ~200 total models reviewed in this paper
- 96 model publications listed as "Clinical Models"





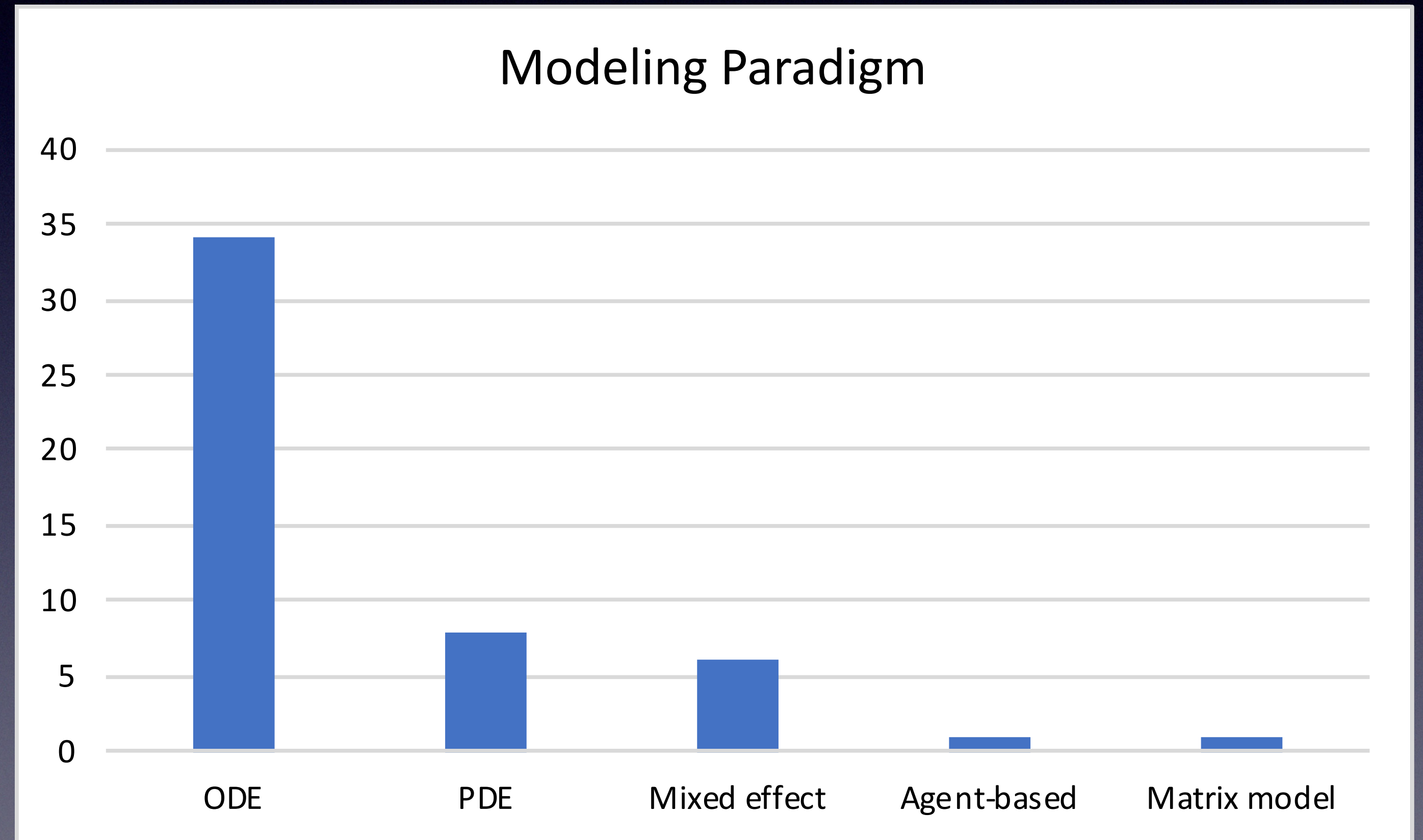
# Results - Diabetes

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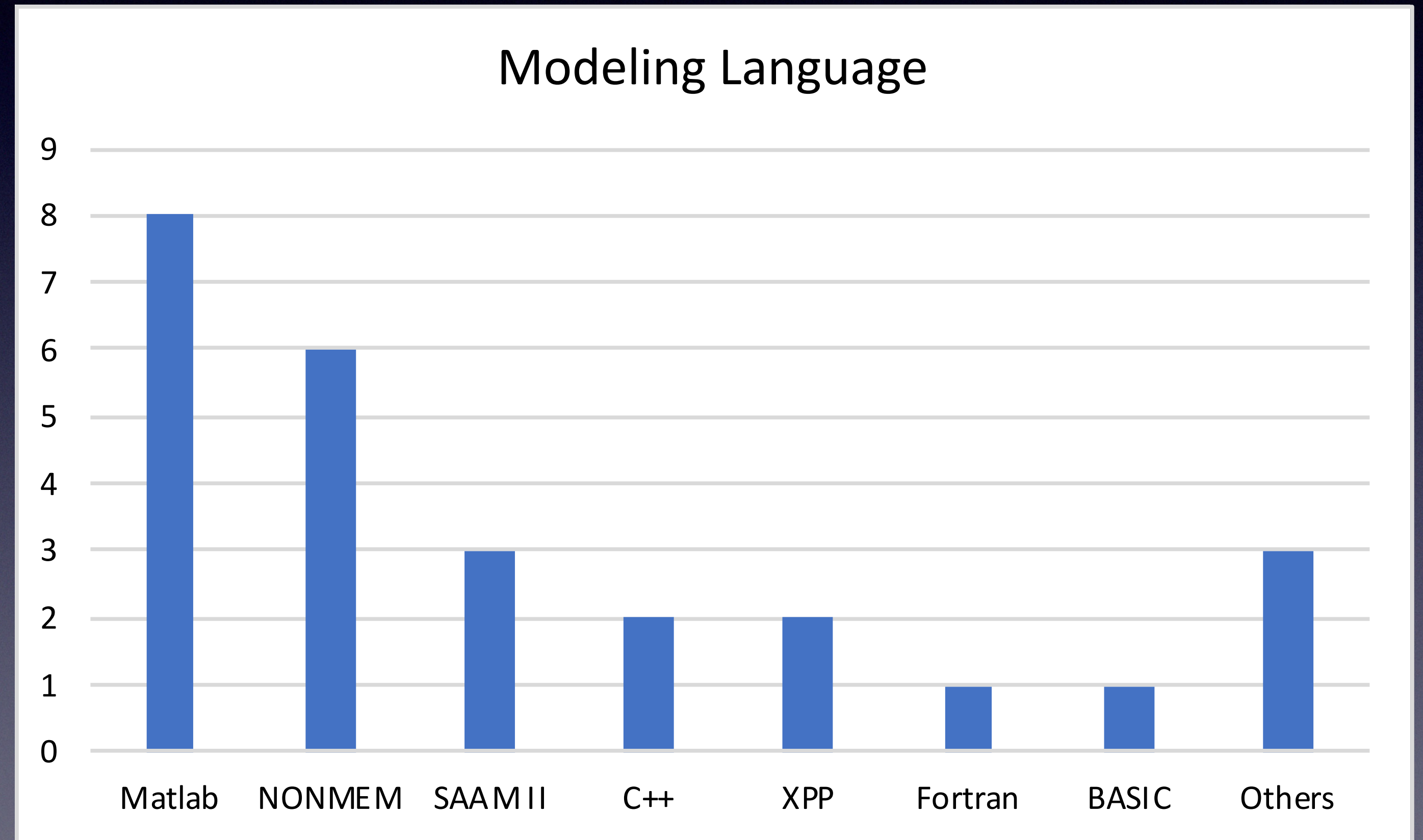
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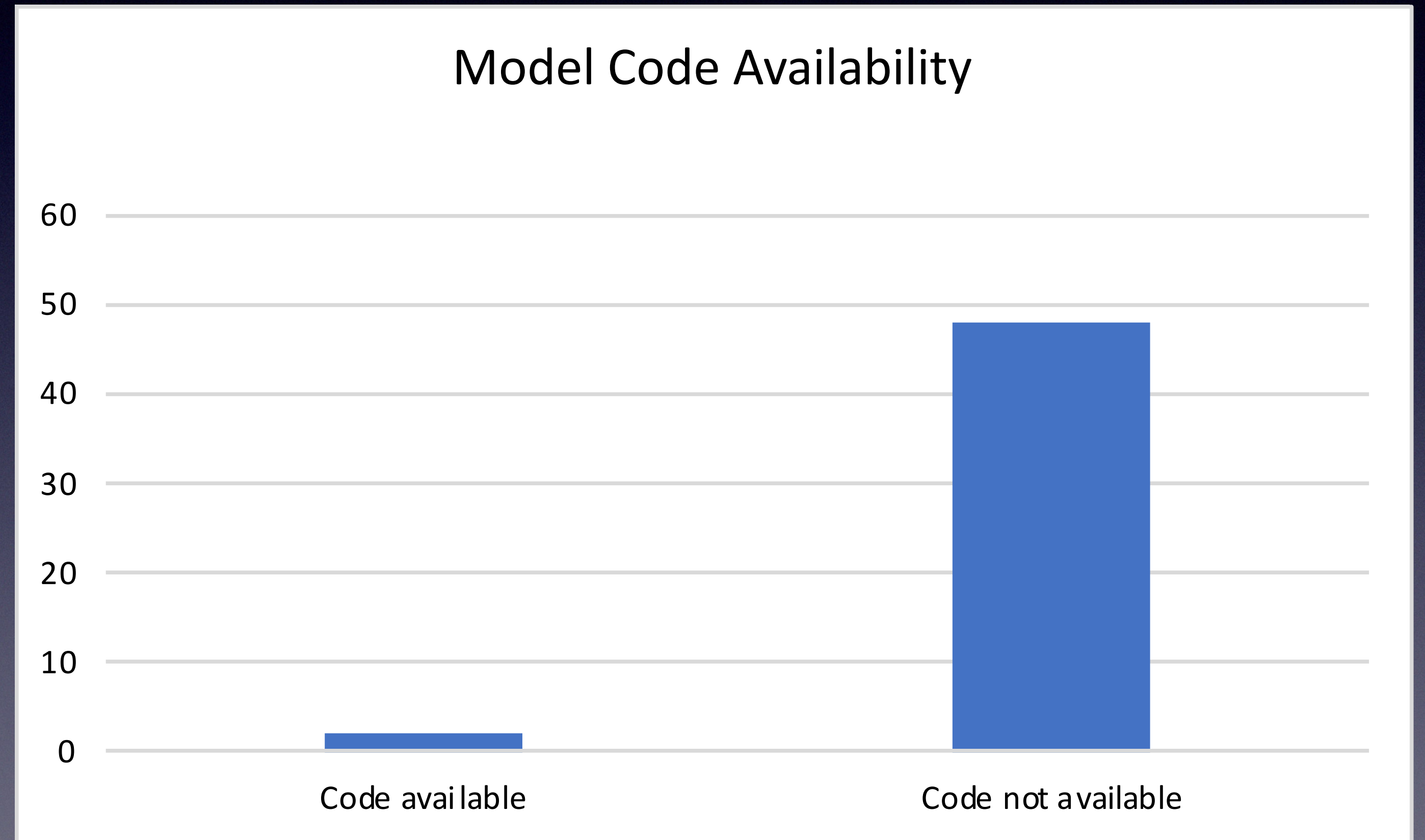
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A PHYSIOLOGIC MODEL OF GLUCOSE METABOLISM IN MAN AND ITS USE  
TO DESIGN AND ASSESS IMPROVED INSULIN THERAPIES FOR DIABETES

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APPENDIX A: Computer Source Program (Fortran 77)

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DATA A,B,XN,H/.048229,.93141,1...0079378/
DATA Y2OR,GAMMA/6.3294,.57493/
DATA XM1,XM2/.007968,.106495/

C
C  PARAMETERS - GLUCAGON MODEL
C
      GNMCR=0.910
      VGN=VVIB+VVIH+VVIP+VKI+VLI+VIP*0.1
C
      ENDIF
C
C  INITIALIZE GLUCOSE MODEL
      IF (NEWDT.EQ.-1) THEN
C*** INPUT FASTING PERIPHERAL VENOUS BLOOD GLUCOSE CONC. (MG/DL)
      Y(6)=CONSTANT(20)/0.84
      Y(3)=Y(6)+PGUF/QVGP
      Y(4)=Y(3)
      Y(1)=Y(3)-BGU/QVGB
      Y(8)=Y(3)-CGU/QVGG
      Y(5)=(1./QVGL)*(QVGA*Y(3)+QVGG*Y(8)+HGPF-HGUF)
      Y(2)=Y(1)-(BGU*TMGB)/VIB
      Y(7)=Y(6)-(PGUF*TMGP)/VIP
      Y(9)=1.
      Y(17)=1.
      Y(21)=0.
C  STORE BASAL VALUES FOR FUTURE COMPUTATIONS
      Y3F=Y(3)
      Y5F=Y(5)
      Y7F=Y(7)
C
C  INITIALIZE INSULIN MODEL
C*** INPUT FASTING PERIPHERAL VENOUS PLASMA INSULIN CONC. (MU/L)
      Y(14)=CONSTANT(21)
      Y(11)=Y(14)/(1.-FICF)
      Y(10)=Y(11)
      Y(12)=Y(11)*(1.-FICK)
      Y(13)=(1./QVIL)*(QVIH*Y(11)-QVIB*Y(10)-QVIK*Y(12)-QVIP*Y(14))
      Y(16)=Y(11)
      Y(15)=Y(14)-((QVIP*TMIP)/(VIP*.1))*(Y(11)-Y(14))
      PIRF=(QVIL/(1.-FICL))*Y(13)-QVIG*Y(16)-QVIA*Y(11)
C  STORE BASAL VALUES FOR FUTURE COMPUTATIONS
      Y11F=Y(11)
      Y13F=Y(13)
      Y15F=Y(15)
```



# An Integrated Glucose-Insulin Model to Describe Oral Glucose Tolerance Test Data in Healthy Volunteers

Dr Hanna E. Silber MSc Pharm✉, Dr Nicolas Frey PharmD, Dr Mats O. Karlsson PhD

First published: 07 March 2013 | <https://doi.org/10.1177/0091270009341185> | Cited by: 25

The NONMEM code used to implement the flexible input model is presented as follow:

```
DEN1 = THETA(1)
DEN2 = THETA(2)*EXP(ETA(2))
DEN3 = THETA(3)
DEN4 = THETA(4)*EXP(ETA(4))
DEN5 = THETA(5)*EXP(ETA(5))
DEN6 = THETA(6)
DEN7 = THETA(7)
DEN8 = THETA(8)*EXP(ETA(8))
DEN9 = THETA(9)
DEN10 = THETA(10)
DEN11 = THETA(11)
Q1=0
Q2=0
Q3=0
Q4=0
Q5=0
Q6=0
Q7=0
Q8=0
Q9=0
Q10=0
Q11=0
Q12=0
IF(TIME.LE.15) Q1=1
IF(TIME.GT.15.AND.TIME.LE.30) Q2=1
IF(TIME.GT.30.AND.TIME.LE.45) Q3=1
IF(TIME.GT.45.AND.TIME.LE.60) Q4=1
IF(TIME.GT.60.AND.TIME.LE.75) Q5=1
IF(TIME.GT.75.AND.TIME.LE.90) Q6=1
IF(TIME.GT.90.AND.TIME.LE.105) Q7=1
IF(TIME.GT.105.AND.TIME.LE.120) Q8=1
IF(TIME.GT.120.AND.TIME.LE.150) Q9=1
IF(TIME.GT.150.AND.TIME.LE.180) Q10=1
IF(TIME.GT.180.AND.TIME.LE.210) Q11=1
IF(TIME.GT.210.AND.TIME.LE.240) Q12=1
DEN=1+DEN1+DEN2+DEN3+DEN4+DEN5+DEN6+DE
```



# Honorable Mention

- Gaetano, et al. (2008). *Mathematical models of diabetes progression.*

“The model’s numerical integration, starting with given parameter values, has been implemented in a mixed Matlab (The MathWorks, 1994 –2007) and C/C++ (GCC, Free Software Foundation) environment and **is freely available as a service to academic users through the CNR IASI BioMatLab web site** (18a).”





# This site can't be reached

The connection was reset.

Try:

- Checking the connection
- [Checking the proxy and the firewall](#)

ERR\_CONNECTION\_RESET

DETAILS

Reload



What percentage of model publications  
make model code available?



1.3%



# But wait, there's more!

- Even curated models in repositories don't have model code available in the publication!



# A New Hope?

- Some of the more recent publications link to BioModels





“The COPASI file, allowing the model to be run and manipulated by others, is **included in the Supplemental Materials** and is also **deposited in the BioModels Database under model ID# MODEL1803300000.**”

–Diedrichs, et al. (2018). *A data-entrained computational model for testing the regulatory logic of the vertebrate unfolded protein response.*



# Now what?

- Why is this?
  - Lazy modelers? Software corrosion? Publication culture?
- What can we do about it?
  - See John G. and Ion M.'s talks
  - Center for Reproducible Biomedical Modeling



# Thank you!

John Gennari  
Brian Carlson  
Max Neal  
Dan Cook









# Search Terms

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