

# Applying the SDTM to the Janus Data Warehouse

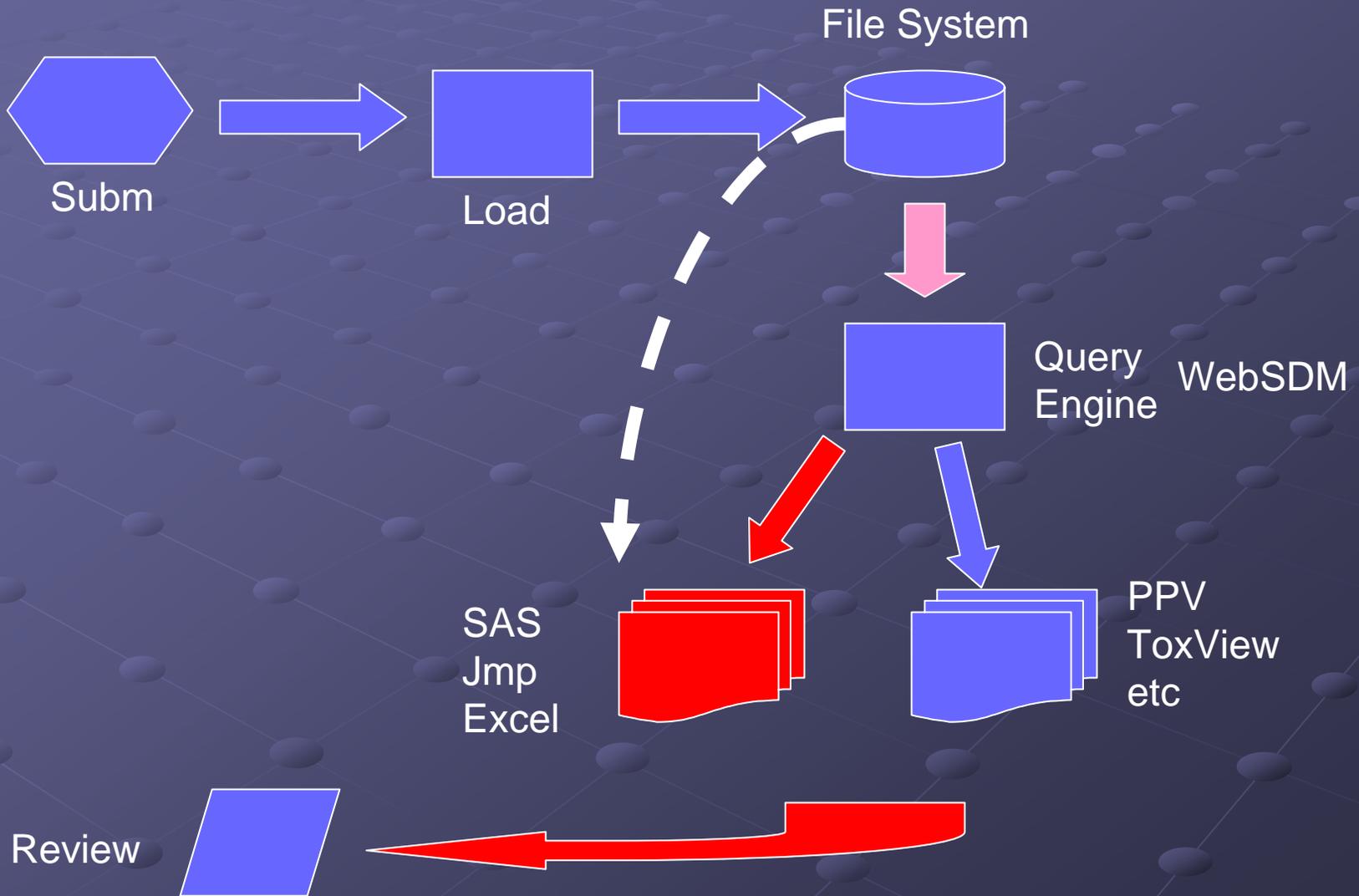
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# Data standards are good

- Reviewers can be trained
- Reviewers familiar with format
- Developers can develop consistent tools
- Reviewers can develop consistent procedures

# Initial



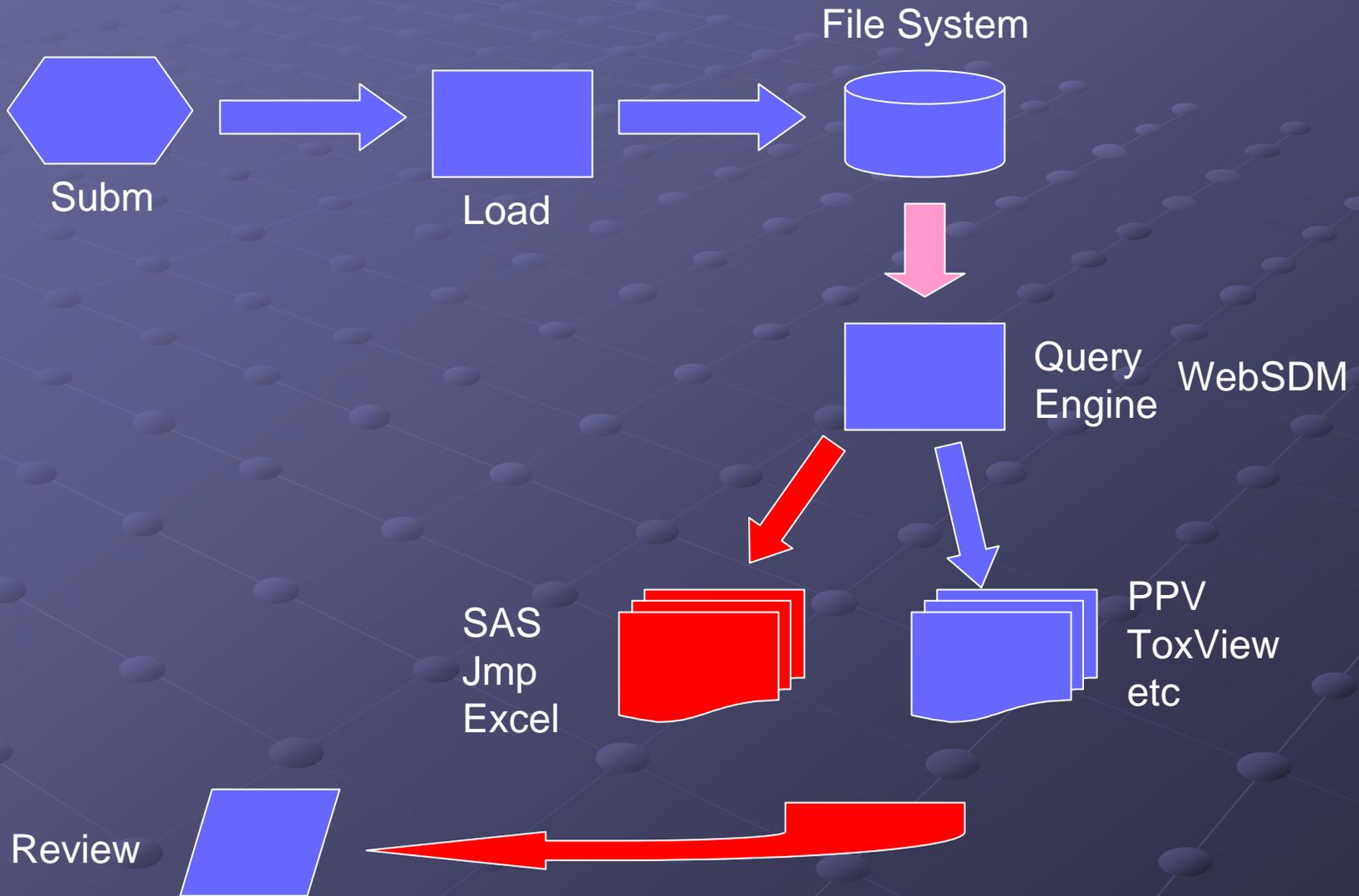
# But SDTM is not optimal for reviewers

- Accommodate new data without structural changes
- Facilitate the assembly of submissions
- Ensure submission integrity
- And help reviewers, too.

# Raw datasets are awkward

- One observation per row
- High degree of normalization

# Initial



# Some difficult questions

- What was the relationship between plasma levels of drug and some pharmacodynamic parameter measured in 3 studies?
- How many women over age 55 were in the whole development program?
- How many of those women received a dose over 20 mg or were treated for more than 7 days?

# Some difficult questions

- Is it safe to use placebo in short-term hypertension studies?
  - 98 NDAs
  - About 10 person-years
- Is there a placebo effect with ambulatory blood pressure monitoring?
  - Meta-analysis of patient-level data
  - 35 studies
  - About 10 person-years

# Some questions remain difficult

- In the Vioxx development program as a whole, how many cardiovascular events were there?
  - What was the timing of those events?
  - What were the risk factors?
- How did that compare with other members of the class?

# Audit

- Reviewing should preserve a trail of what was done.
- Secondary review should be able retrace these steps.

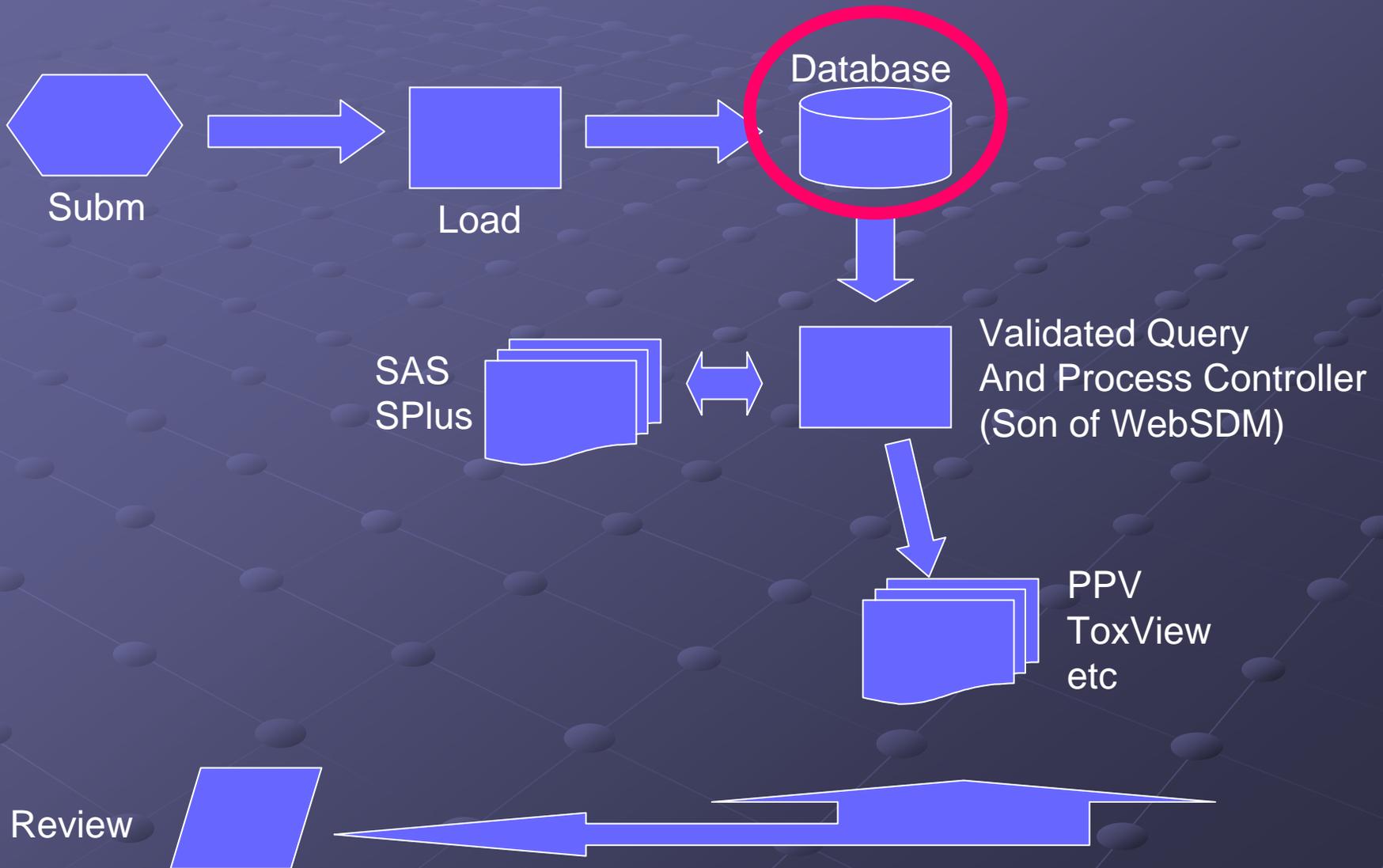
# Communications

- When a reviewer has done something interesting, he or she ought to be able to communicate that to all parties unambiguously.

# Need

- View of the data through reviewer-centric tools
- Cross-study analyses
- Cross-application analyses
- Audit
- Communications

# Final



# Clinical Trials Data Warehouse

Past  
studies



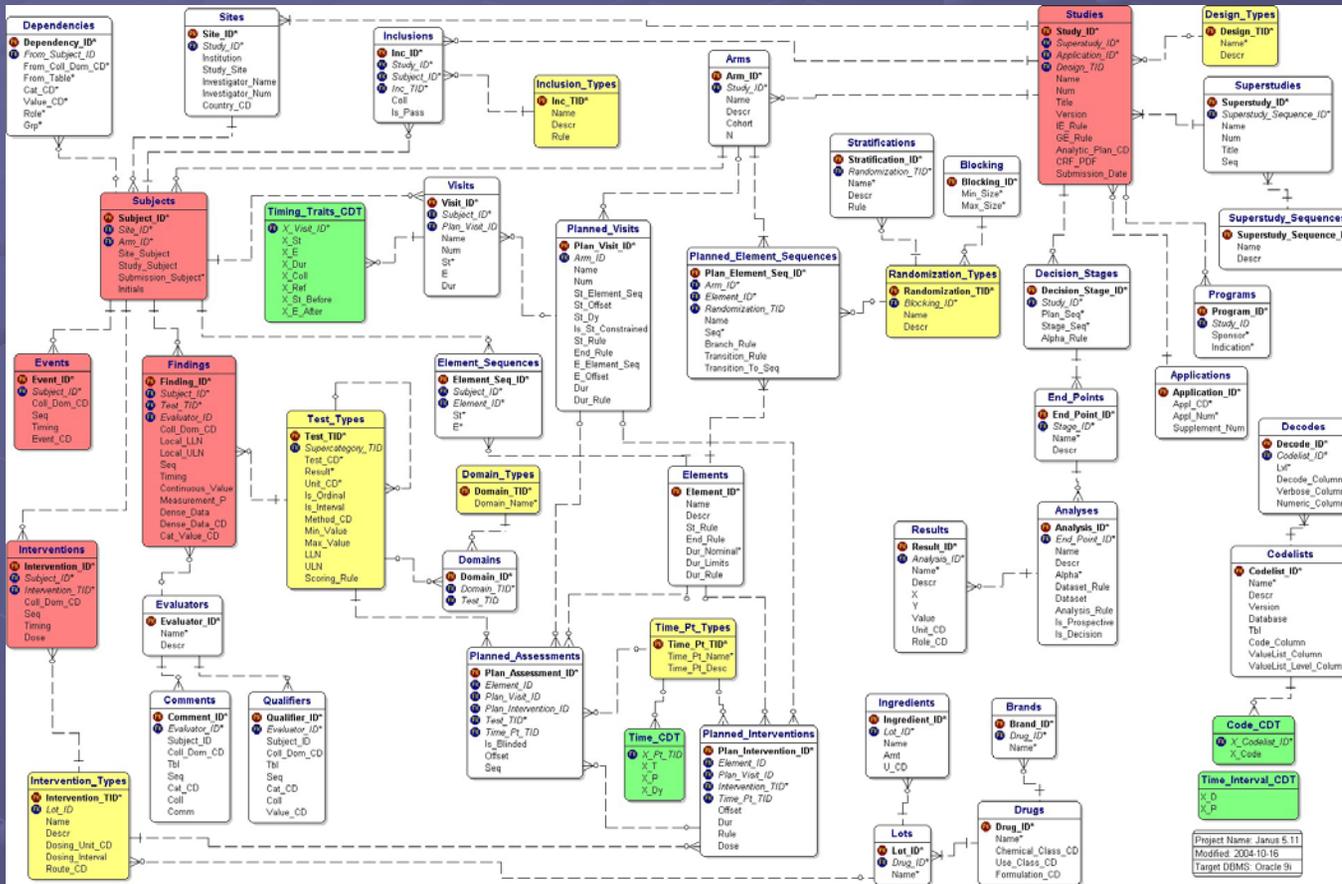
Current  
study

Janus

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# JANUS





# JANUS is simpler than SDTM

## ● Fewer tables than datasets

- One table per observation class

- Findings

- Events

- Interventions

## ● Fewer variables

- No special findings (demographics)
- No special qualifiers (AE severity)
- One mechanism to link observations

# Status

- Logical design evolving with SDTM
- Physical design through CRADA with IBM
- High priority with IMSC
- Prototype populated in 2005
- Alternatives for implementation in 2006
  - Partner with NCI
  - Contract
  - Consortium